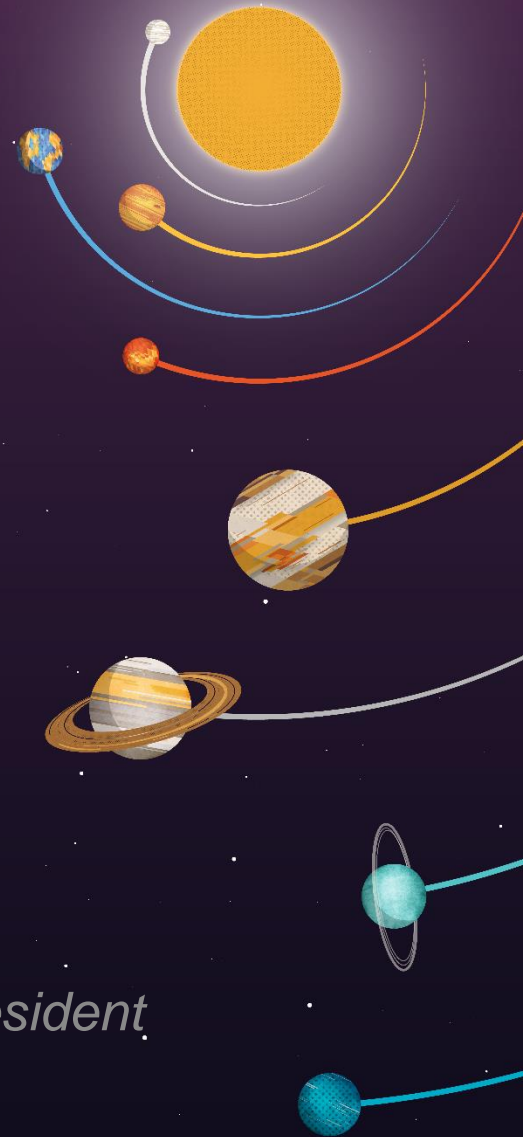




The growing extent of professional
and amateur astronomy
collaborations in planetary sciences
(keynote)



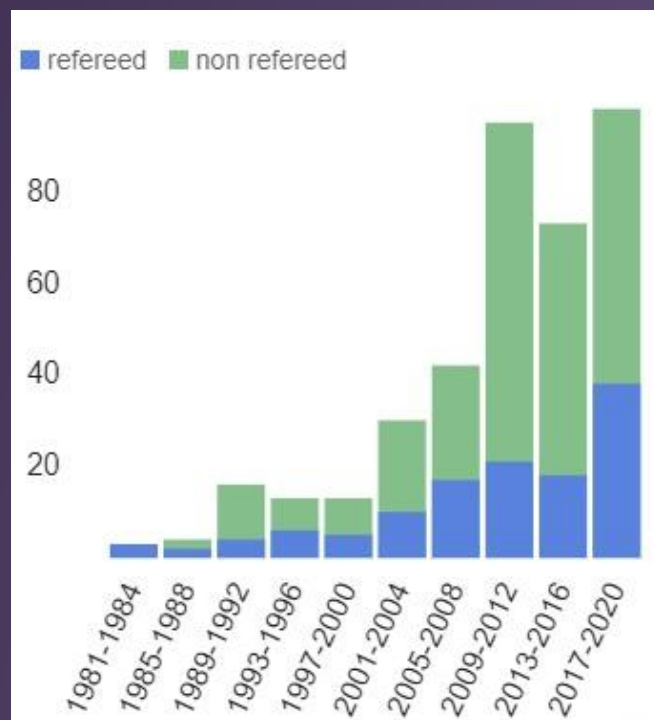
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Pro-am collaborations, a reality - increasing since 20 years

- Constant increase of co-authored papers (*Mousis et al., Exp. Astr. 2014*)



- Dedicated EPSC session growing since 2008

- Many workshops funded by Europlanet 2020 since 2016



1.Jean-Luc Dauvergne 2.Glenn Orton 3.Peter Rosen 4.Manos Kardasis 5.Clyde Foster 6.Silvia Kowolik 7.Leigh Fletcher 8.Ricardo Hueso 9.Simon Kidd 10.Tirs Abril 11.Christopher Go 12.Joaquin Camarena 13. Agustin Sanchez-Lavega 14.Josep Soldevilla 15.Paulo Casquinha 16.John Rogers 17.Peter Edwards 18.John Sussenbach 19.Martin Lewis 20.Patrick Irwin 21.Candy Hansen 22.Ashwin Braude 23.Constantin Sprianu 24.Kuniaki Horikawa 25.Michel Jacquesson 26.Anthony Wesley 27.Scán Doran 28.Padma Yanamandra-Fisher 29.Peter Lawrence 30.Emil Kraaikamp 31.Matt Brealey 32.Gerald Eichstaedt 33.Marc Delcroix 34.Arrate Antuñano 35.Pdraig Donnelly 36.Alexei Pace 37.Johan Warell 38.Christophe Pellier 39.Mike Foulkes 40.Manuel Scherf 41.Marco Vedovato 42.Miguel Araújo 43.Scott Bolton

Amateurs' observations – key contributions for science

Strength of planetary amateur community:

- ❑ Spatial/time context e.g. for planets from hi-res imaging with 25-50cm scopes, lucky imaging with highly sensitive and fast cameras, between 300nm-1 μ m (complementary to pro instruments)
- ❑ Time coverage through hundreds of connected observers all around the world
- ❑ Availability of images in databases (e.g. for planets pro PVOL, ALPO Japan, SAF, ...)



A . Wesley (Australia)



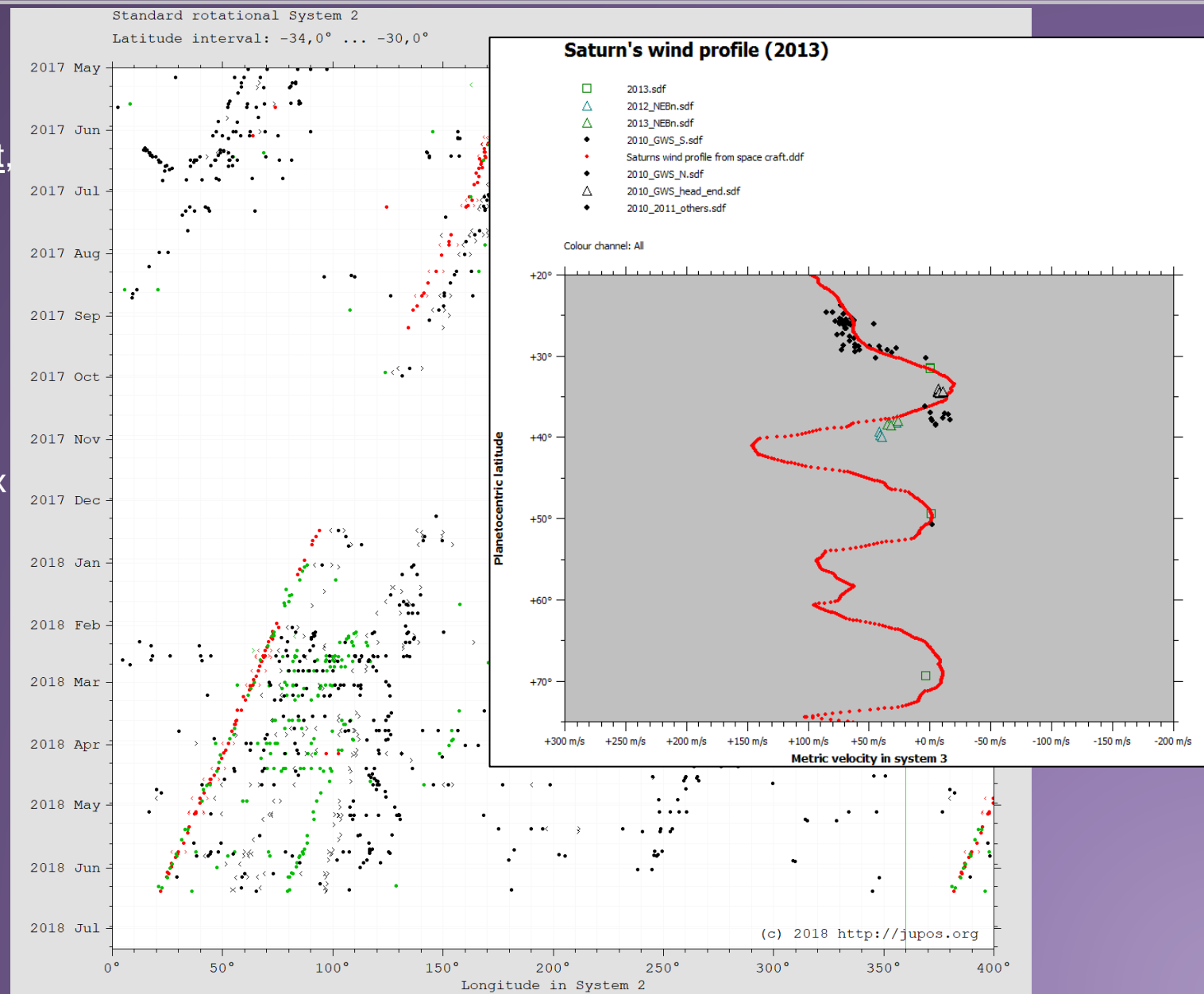
Some of the DeTeCt impact detection project amateur participants

Amateurs process and analyse their own data

- Planning/processing softwares from amateurs
(e.g. for planets lucky imaging w/ Autostakkert, derotation, measures, analysis w/ WinJupos; for occultations Tangra, Occult, ...)

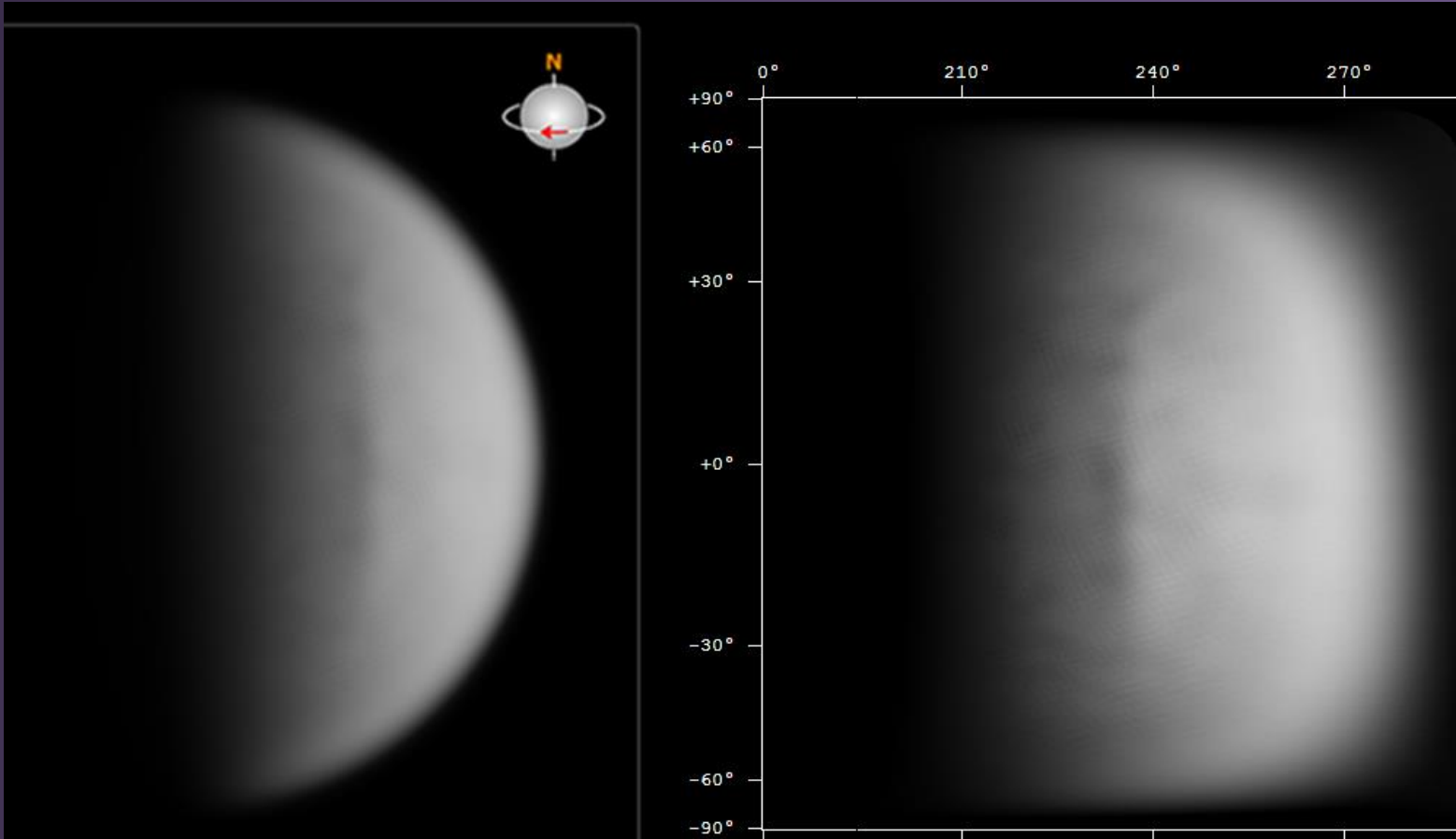
- Measures, analysis, ephemeris performed by amateurs themselves
(e.g. J. Rogers/JUPOS for Jupiter, M. Delcroix for Saturne, Uranus et Neptune)

Monitoring of the planet atmospheres,
with zonal wind profile evolution
Asteroids occultations
Exoplanet detections

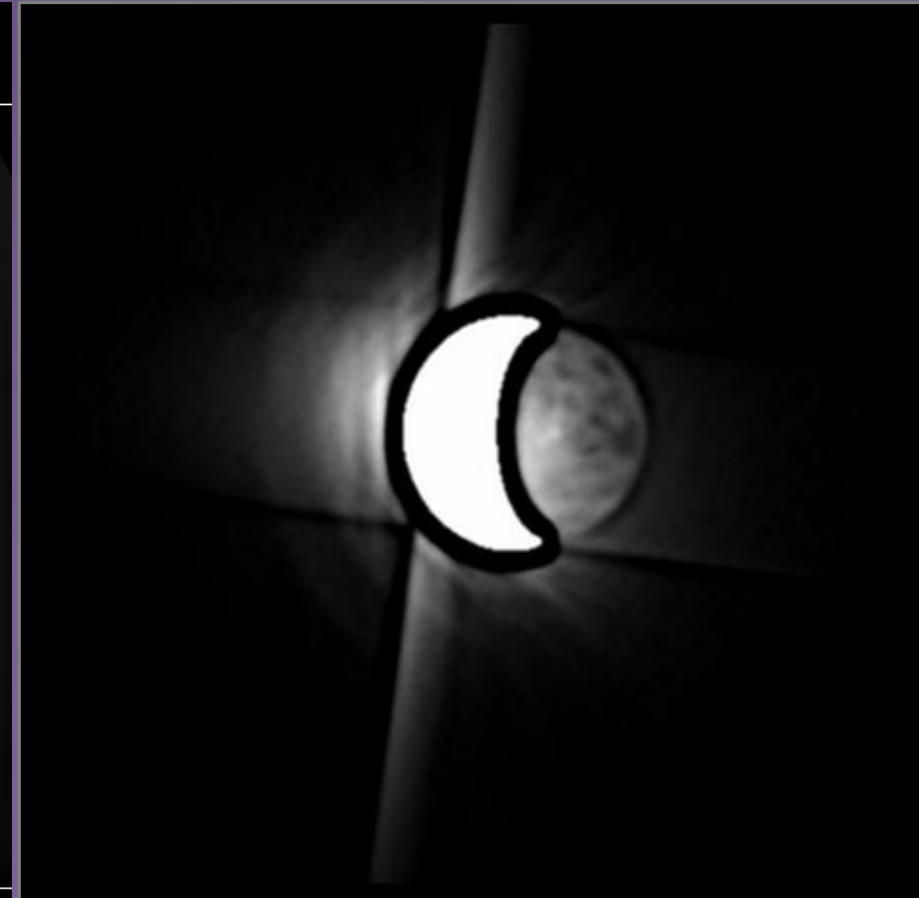


TP: Venus

- ☐ Venus' clouds in UV and IR (complementary to Akatsuki, support of Bepi-Columbo fly-bys)
- ☐ Surface thermal emissions @ $1\mu\text{m}$



Sharp long-lived disruption
E. Kardasis (Greece)
2020,03,21



Venus 2017/04/29 19:49 UT
FELH1000 +FF01-935/170-25 D=38.57" Grasshopper3 GS3-U3-32S4M
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TP: Mars

☐ Clouds, dust storms, polar caps evolution observations



Great Dust Storm 2018
A . Yamazaki (Japan)
2018-06-04

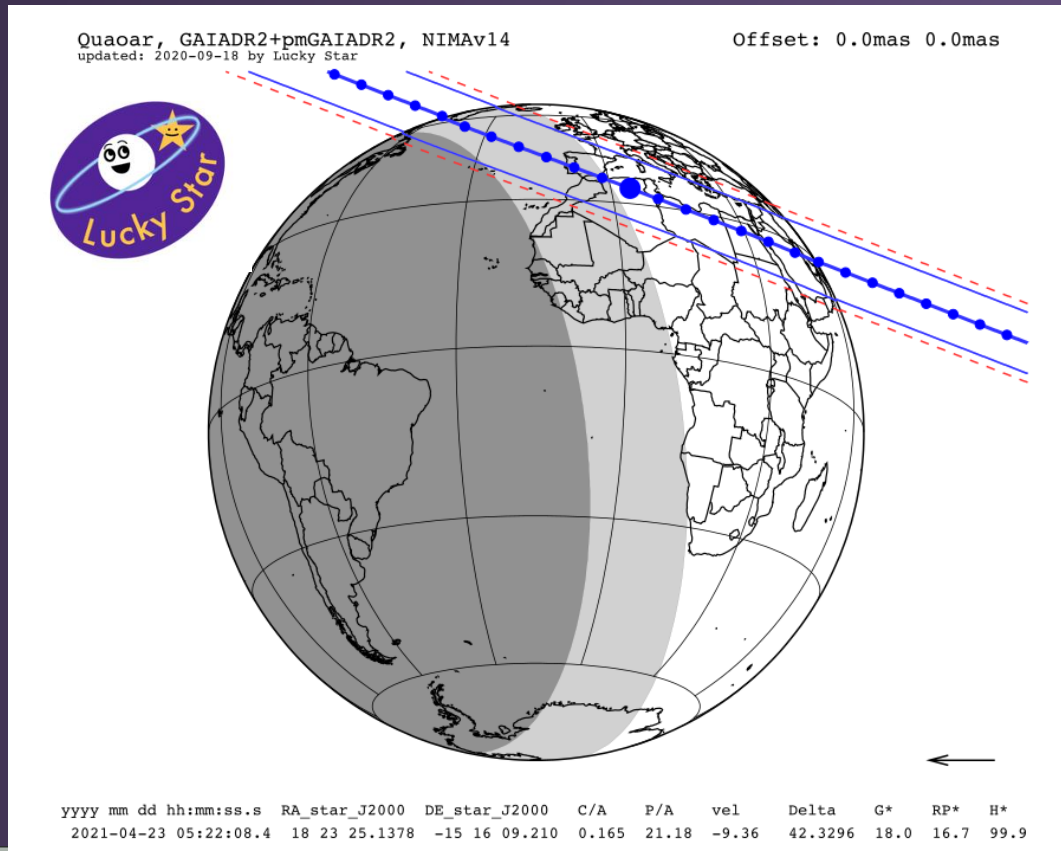
☐ High altitude plumes detection
(Sanchez-Lavega et al. Nature 2015)



High plume
W. Jaeschke (USA)
2012-03-20

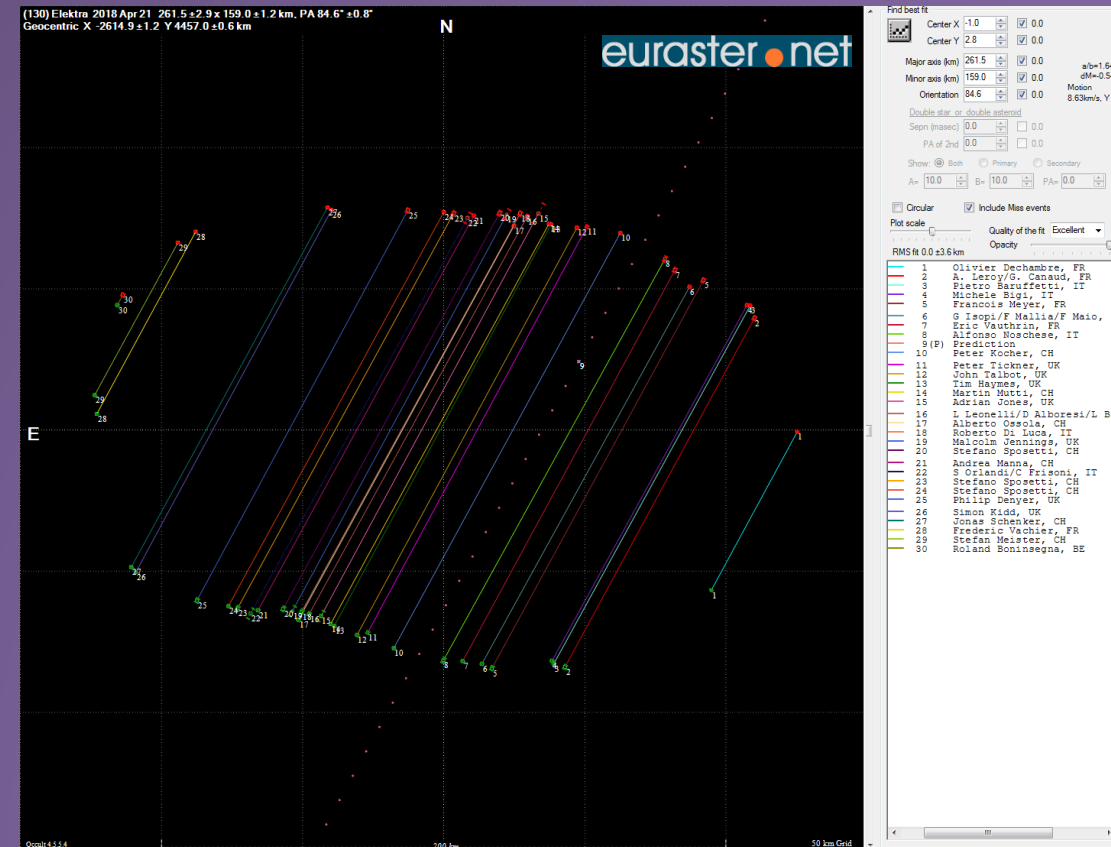
SB: Small bodies, stellar occultations

- ❑ Discovery/recovery by amateur observations
- ❑ Astrometry, photometry and occultations to characterize shape, satellites, rings
(*New Horizons support (Buie M. et al., AAS 2020)*)
- ❑ Comets imaging, activity monitoring
- ❑ Occultations by planets' atmospheres, mutual satellites phenomena (*Saquet E. et al., MNRAS 2018*)



Occultation by
(130) Elektra
2018-04-21

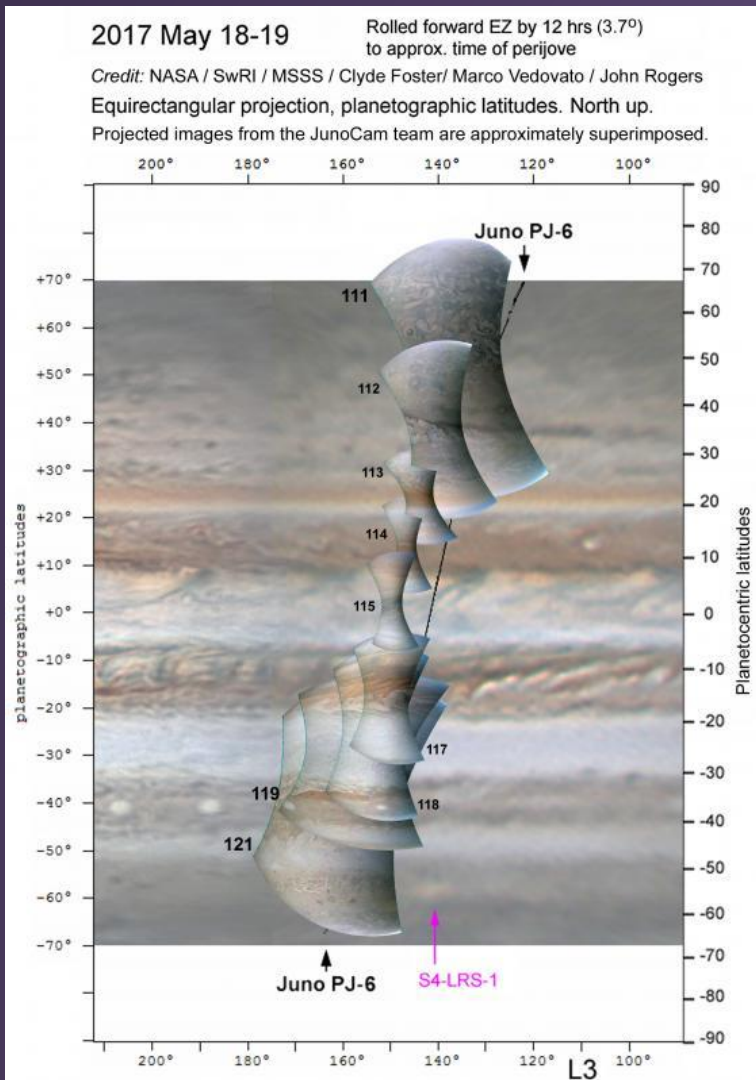
Prediction of
occultation by
Quaoar
2020-09-18



OPS: Jupiter

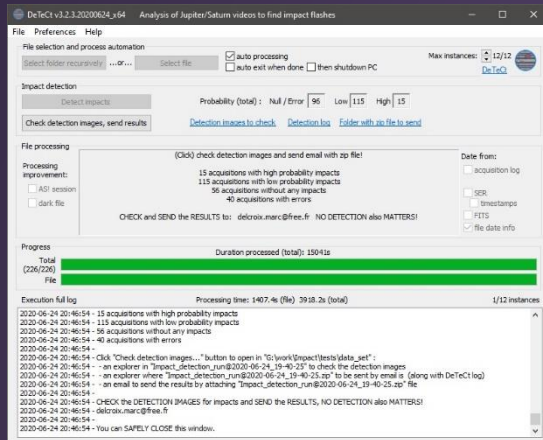
- Complementary observations required for JunoCam

- Monitoring/discoveries of disturbances, features, waves evolutions (e.g. Clyde's spot, BA oval reddening, ...)



Discovery of "Clyde's spot"
C. Foster (S. Africa)
2020-05-31

OPS: Impact detection project

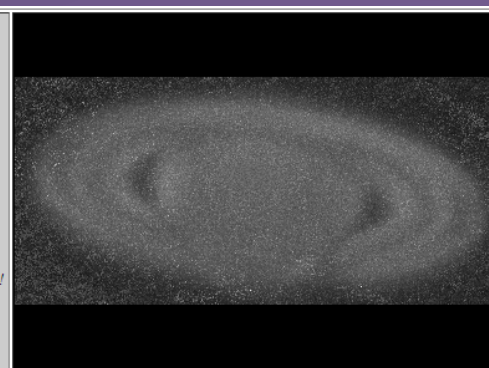


Impact flashes detection with DeTeCt software project /
Projet de détection de flash d'impacts avec le logiciel DeTeCt
 by/par [Marc Delcroix](#)

NEW v3.3.0! [Software download / téléchargement du logiciel](#) for participating to the project / pour participer au projet
NEW! [DeTeCt quick user guide](#)
[Presentation of the project](#) (EPSC2013, BAA workshop)

email address for distribution list to stay tuned & discuss about impact detection

I have fun running the project/developping the software, but it takes a lot of my private time and needs computing power, storage, etc. Thanks a lot if you want to support this!



Jupiter
 estimation of 14,1 impacts per year (absolute number)
 total excludes 9,457 days of simultaneous observations

Observer	Duration	Number of videos	Date range
Total : 106 observers	155.909 days	143692 videos	2003/04/18 - 2020/09/06
Zac Pujic (Australia)	22.511 days	9081	2005/02/22 - 2020/09/04
Michel Jacquesson (France)	19.773 days	10158	2014/03/12 - 2020/08/26
Benito Loyola (USA)	18.038 days	18481	2018/02/17 - 2020/09/05
Paul Rolet (France)	15.781 days	13158	2012/09/07 - 2020/09/05
Manos Kardasis (Greece)	9.506 days	8161	2004/02/29 - 2019/11/27
Clyde Foster (South Africa)	7.108 days	8867	2015/01/30 - 2020/08/11
Thomas Ashcraft (USA)	5.046 days	6114	2013/10/09 - 2020/09/03
Bernd Gahrken (Germany)	4.432 days	6025	2016/03/06 - 2020/08/10
Sauveur Pedranghelu (France)	4.223 days	5202	2017/05/26 - 2020/08/08
Alan Coffelt (USA)	3.799 days	2801	2013/10/04 - 2020/09/03
Marc Delcroix (France)	3.765 days	2847	2006/04/13 - 2020/08/18
Jose Luis Pereira (Brazil)	3.553 days	4765	2019/01/30 - 2020/09/04
Christophe Pellier (France)	2.374 days	908	2012/02/26 - 2019/07/28
Xuebin Chen (France)	2.063 days	1867	2012/08/16 - 2015/04/25
Grant Blair (USA)	1.988 day	374	2013/08/20 - 2016/04/21
Alan Coffelt (USA)	1.822 day	1607	2016/05/04 - 2020/08/17
Trevor Barry (Australia)	1.695 day	1533	2003/04/18 - 2020/07/20
Isaac Lozano Rey (Spain)	1.615 day	2425	2009/07/06 - 2012/12/30
Emmanuel Thiers (France)	1.494 day	1702	2012/11/30 - 2017/05/21
Emmanuelle Thiers (France)	1.218 day	907	2016/02/25 - 2017/04/10
Torsten Mellenthin (Germany)	1.218 day	1416	2016/01/28 - 2017/06/24
Lammertus de Vries (Spain)	1.171 day	635	2009/08/03 - 2015/05/08
Pic du Midi (Colas/Delcroix/Dauvergne/Sylla) (France)	1.164 day	1861	2010/09/29 - 2019/08/16
Jocelyn Serot (France)	1.154 day	880	2014/01/10 - 2019/06/02
Matic Smrekar (Slovenia)	1.131 day	1243	2013/07/20 - 2018/06/02
Martin Lewis (UK)	1.020 day	1509	2015/03/22 - 2019/09/05
Matic Smrekar (Slovenia)	0.990 day	1048	2009/07/29 - 2019/08/10
Arnaud Claisse (France)	0.941 day	842	2014/01/19 - 2016/05/03
Oleg Zaharciu (Moldova)	0.822 day	1120	2016/05/19 - 2020/08/30

« DeTeCt » project evaluating impacts frequency on Jupiter (and Saturn) since 2012, led by an amateur (Hueso R., Delcroix M. et al. A&A 2018)
 158d of survey, 146 000 videos,
 2019 impact discovered with the software

NB: Lunar impacts detections is a also a pro-am collaboration field

Saturn
 estimation of less than 33,6 impacts per year (absolute number)
 total excludes 0,173 days of simultaneous observations

Observer	Duration	Number of videos	Date range
Total : 40 observers	21.724 days	10411 videos	2003/11/07 - 2020/09/04
Zac Pujic (Australia)	5.252 days	2131	2005/02/04 - 2018/04/21
Marc Delcroix (France)	2.983 days	1186	2007/01/20 - 2020/08/18
Sauveur Pedranghelu (France)	2.649 days	819	2019/06/03 - 2020/08/06
Paul Rolet (France)	2.242 days	623	2015/05/12 - 2020/08/18
Ethan Chappel (USA)	1.600 day	927	2013/07/30 - 2020/05/01
Manos Kardasis (Greece)	1.069 day	713	2008/03/10 - 2018/10/27
Oleg Zaharciu (Moldova)	0.649 day	325	2016/05/22 - 2020/08/30
Michel Miniou (France)	0.636 day	474	2003/11/07 - 2019/12/04
Benito Loyola (USA)	0.497 day	567	2018/07/11 - 2019/07/30
Pic du Midi (Colas/Delcroix/Dauvergne/Sylla) (France)	0.454 day	434	2012/08/06 - 2019/08/15
Grant Blair (USA)	0.445 day	255	2014/03/14 - 2016/04/24
Philippe Chatelain (France)	0.421 day	43	2017/05/21 - 2019/08/02
Jose Luis Pereira (Brazil)	0.377 day	192	2020/06/10 - 2020/09/04
Arnaud Claisse (France)	0.331 day	274	2019/09/03 - 2020/07/19
Arnaud Claisse (France)	0.260 day	62	2015/05/21 - 2016/05/04
Societe Astronomique de Touraine (France)	0.223 day	92	2014/03/14 - 2016/07/16
David Domine (France)	0.195 day	89	2015/05/23 - 2017/06/05
David Domine (France)	0.171 day	35	2016/04/23 - 2017/04/08
Alan Coffelt (USA)	0.167 day	62	2015/05/03 - 2020/08/09
Martin Lewis (UK)	0.167 day	169	2015/05/23 - 2017/06/05
Jose Luis Pereira (Brazil)	0.162 day	160	2019/05/22 - 2020/08/28
Isaac Lozano Rey (Spain)	0.156 day	126	2020/06/24 - 2020/09/04
Emmanuel Thiers (France)	0.095 day	34	2016/05/06 - 2016/06/18
Matic Smrekar (Slovenia)	0.092 day	88	2011/06/27 - 2019/05/08
Christian Pinter (Austria)	0.092 day	9	2019/06/29 - 2020/08/25
Denis Huber (France)	0.080 day	63	2019/07/20 - 2020/08/27
Charles Galdies (Malta)	0.078 day	82	2014/06/08 - 2015/07/17
Pierre Schneider (Austria)	0.072 day	55	2017/06/10 - 2020/08/08
Charles Triana (Colombia)	0.067 day	51	2020/05/25 - 2020/07/16
Charles Triana (Colombia)	0.064 day	96	2017/08/10 - 2019/08/19
Blake Estes (USA)	0.055 day	79	2016/05/08 - 2016/05/13
Lee Keith (USA)	0.035 day	20	2020/07/25 - 2020/08/19
Michel Jacquesson (France)	0.031 day	4	2019/09/03 - 2019/09/04

OPS: Saturn

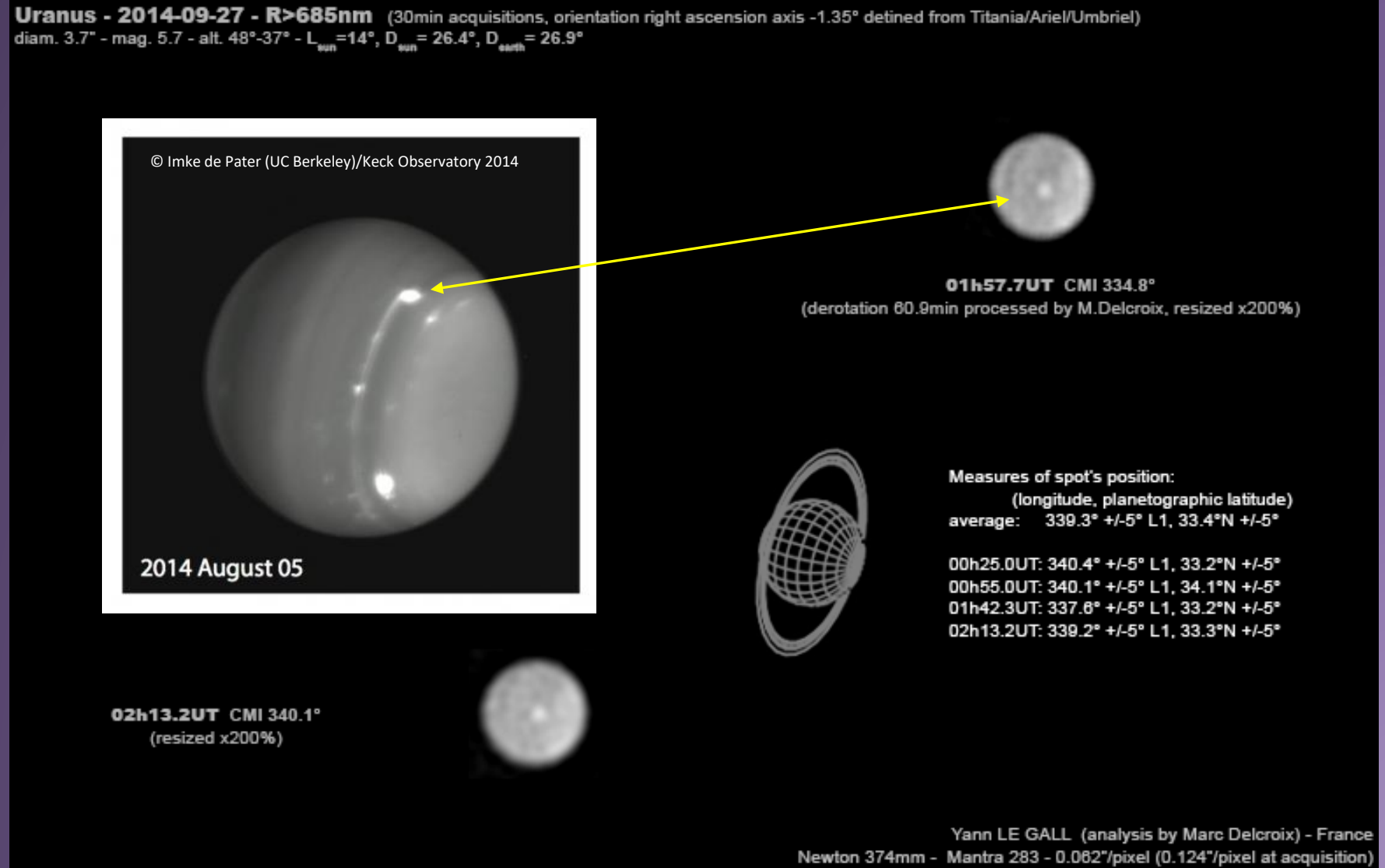
- ❑ Clouds tracking complementary to Cassini radio observations (RPWS) (*Fischer et al. Nature 2011*)
- ❑ Continuous monitoring of 2010-2011 GWS (*Sanchez-Lavega et al. Nature 2011*)
- ❑ Spokes (*Delcroix et al., DPS/EPSC 2011*)



Polar and equatorial Storm 2018
C. Go (Philippines)
2018-04-19

OPS: Uranus

- ❑ Bands and clouds observations in NIR (justifying pro observations)
- ❑ 2014 storm tracking



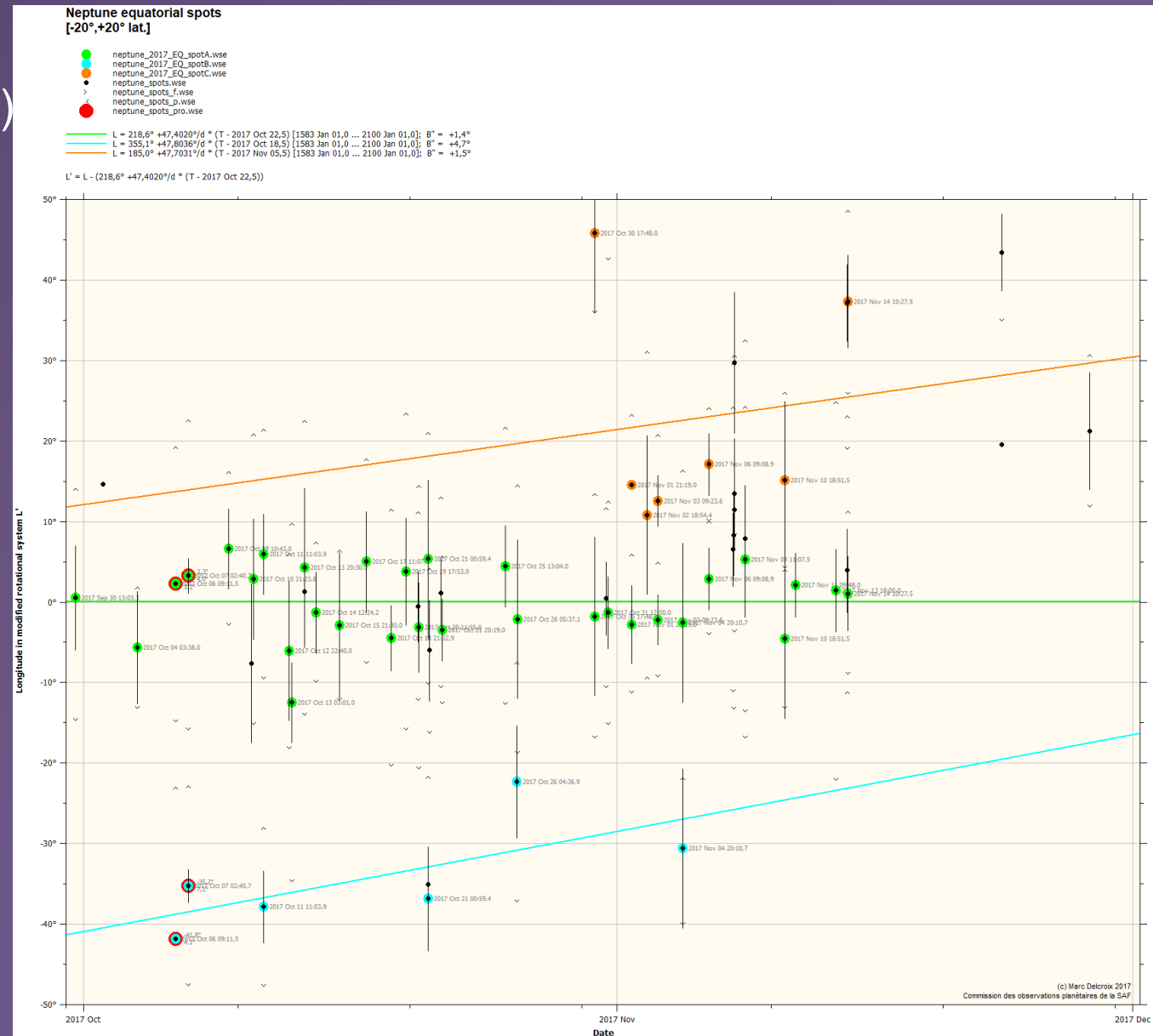
OPS: Neptune

- Bright zones observed in NIR since 2013 (triggering complementary pro observations)
(Wong et al. Astr. Journal 2018)



Neptune features
Marc Delcroix (France)
2017-10-10

2017 Neptune equatorial spots drifting
Analysis by Marc Delcroix (France)



EXO: Exoplanets

- Transit/Transit Time Variations observations (*support to Kepler, TESS, Ariel w/ exoclock project, ...*)
- Discoveries (transit, microlensing) (*Udalsky et al. Astr. J 2005*)

ETD **Exoplanet Transit Database**
... complete ... worldwide ... continuously growing ...
<http://var.astro.cz/ETD>

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ETD is here to supply quickly and easily the list of all ever observed transits of transiting exoplanets to observers and researchers.

Our database administrators are periodically checking for new transits - both in literature and in on-line internet sources. Each transit is stored with complete citations, link to the paper / on-line source URL.

For each exoplanet, there is available graphical output of relations:

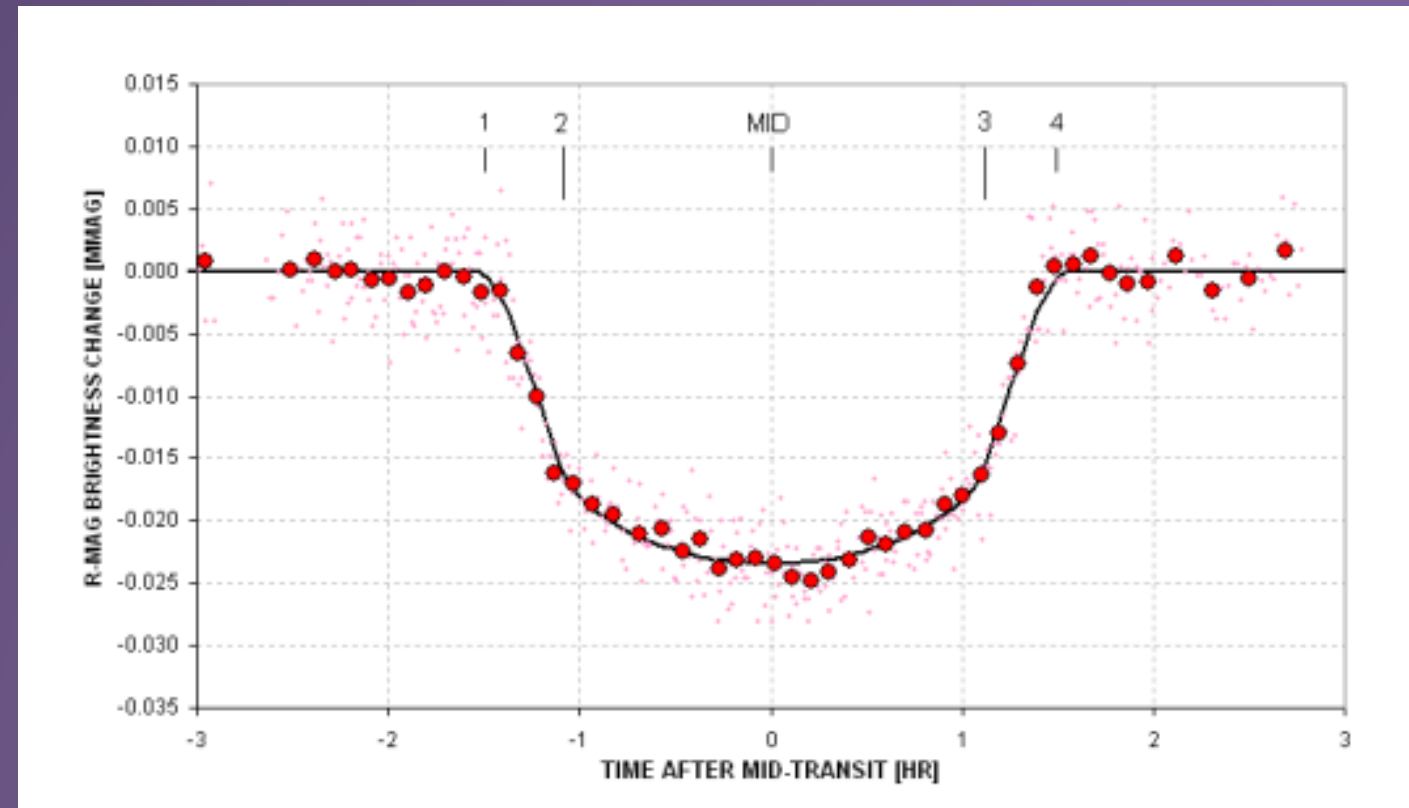
- transit TIMINGS vs. EPOCH
- transit DURATION vs. EPOCH
- transit DEPTH vs. EPOCH and
- list of available transits.

Data quality is rated for each observation and the DQ index is taken into account while plotting graphs.

Tools for observers :

- Observers can plot their own observations in diagrams.
- Model-fitting of transit observation and finding out parameters HJDmid, Depth, Duration.
- Global transit predictions.

	OBJECT	CONST	# OF DATA	TIME SPAN FROM - TILL		LAST CHANGES (DAYS) <small>Red if less than 1 week ago</small>
1	CoRoT-1 b	Mon	104	2007-02	2020-02	25. May 2020 (121)
2	CoRoT-10 b	Aql	2	2007-06	2017-08	25. Dec 2018 (638)
3	CoRoT-11 b	Ser	5	2008-05	2012-06	21. Dec 2018 (643)



XO-1 transit
by Bruce Gary 2006

Take away –

Ams: dreams come true!

Pros: involve amateurs whenever ground-based observations can help your research!

- ❑ Amateurs' observations are essential, complementary to pro observations, or for new discoveries
- ❑ They have experience in data processing
- ❑ Advanced amateurs analyse community data to do science
- ❑ They have some capability to operate professional resources
- ❑ Workshops/Funding/specific projects stimulates involvement and cooperation



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