

DETAILED LIGHT CURVE ANALYSIS WITH CoRoT

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OUTLINE

- Detrending method

Impact of stellar variability on:

- Transit shape (i.e. planet parameters)
- Secondary eclipse detection
- Planet orbital phase detection

DETRENDING

- Pre-processing
- Stellar variability filtering with IRF

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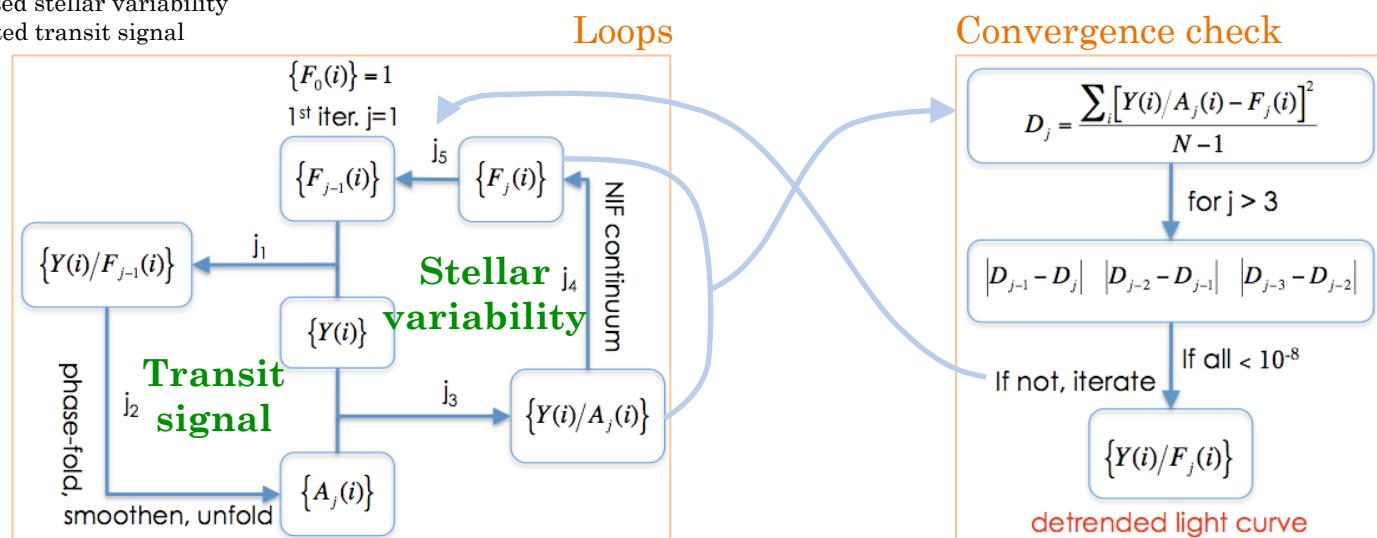
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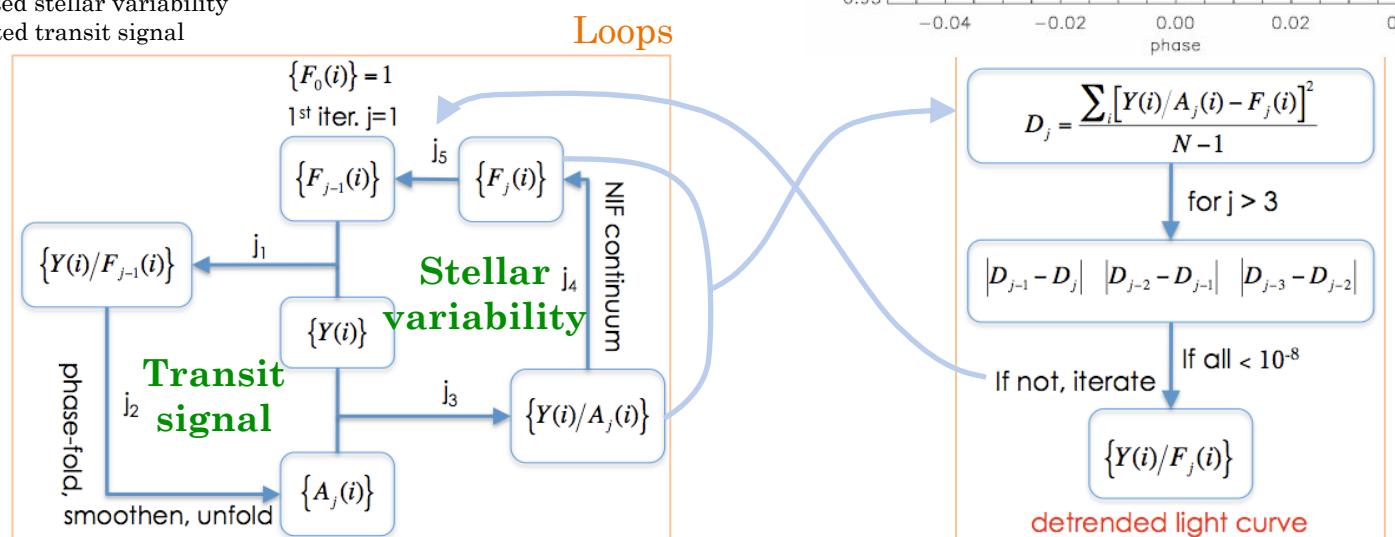
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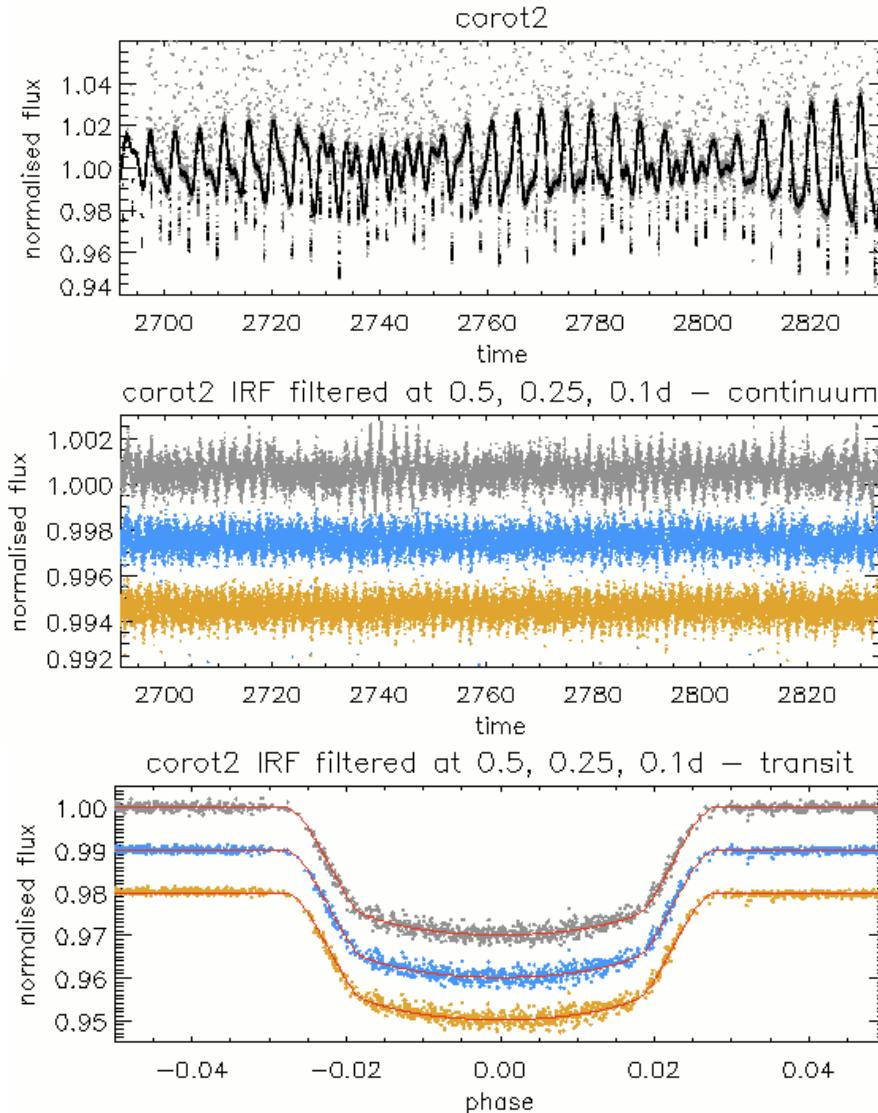
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TRANSIT

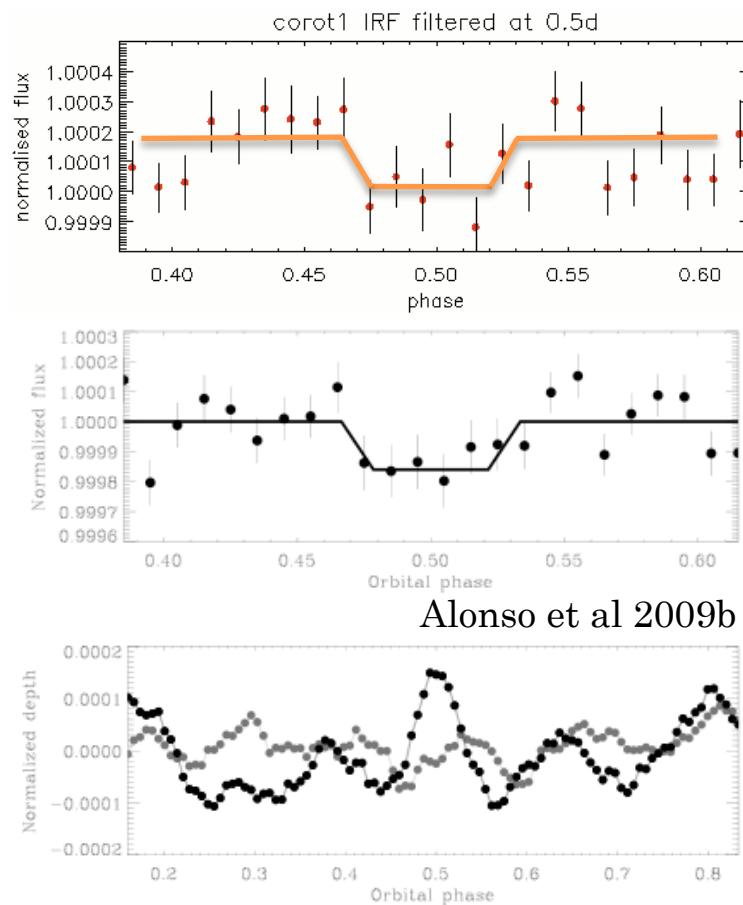
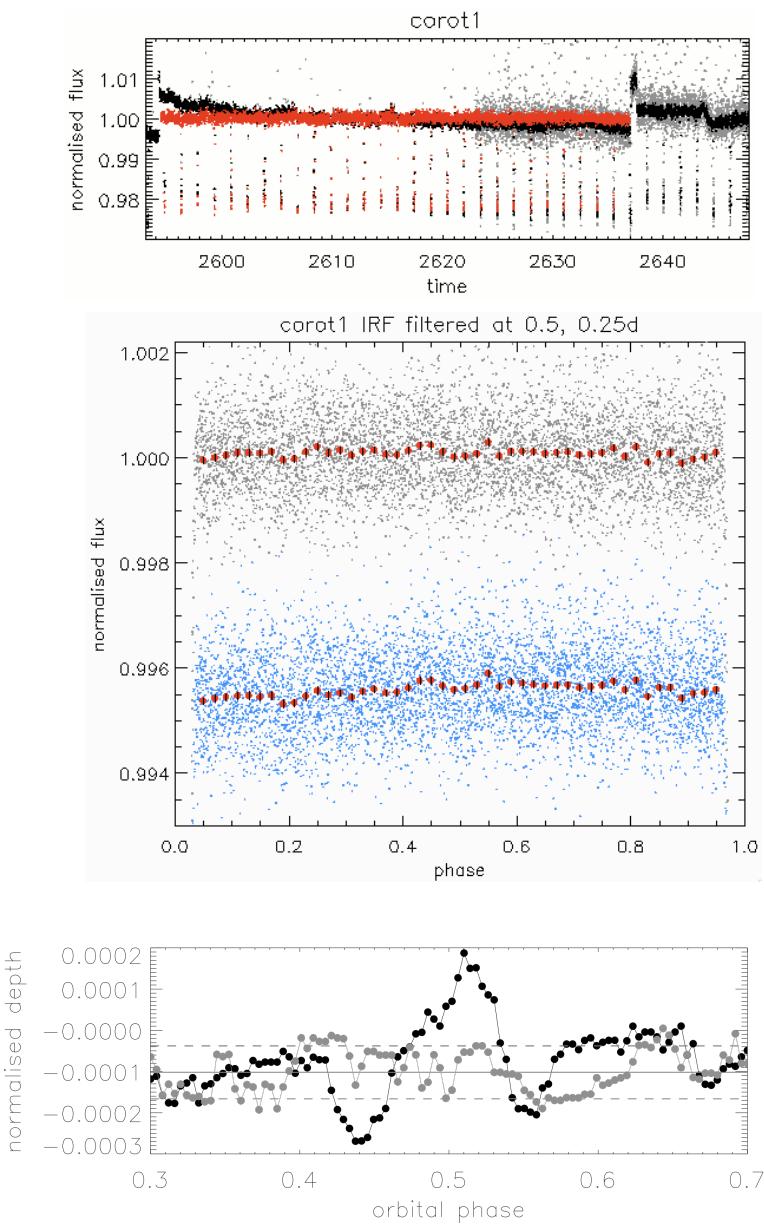
Difference in planet parameters within error bars

IRF allows filtering of stellar variability to lower timescales

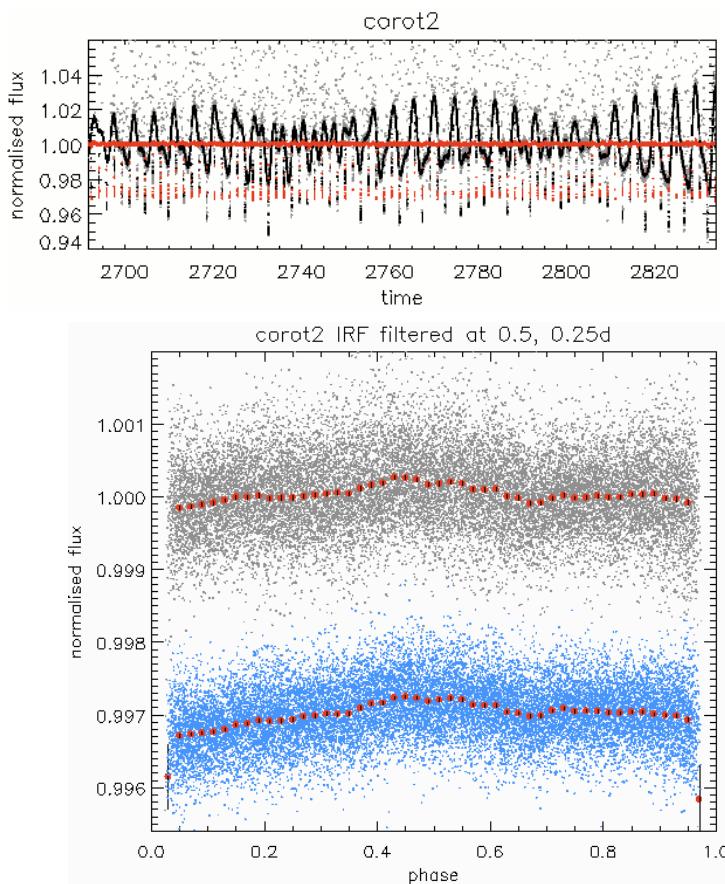


	Alonso et al 08 value	errors	IRF 0.50	IRF 0.25	IRF 0.10
T0	$2454237.53562 \pm 0.00014$		2454237.53536	2454237.53541	2454237.53551
R_p/R_s	0.16670 ± 0.0006		0.16326	0.16327	0.16311
a/R_s	6.700 ± 0.03		6.286	6.263	6.263
incl [°]	87.84 ± 0.10		86.13	86.07	86.06

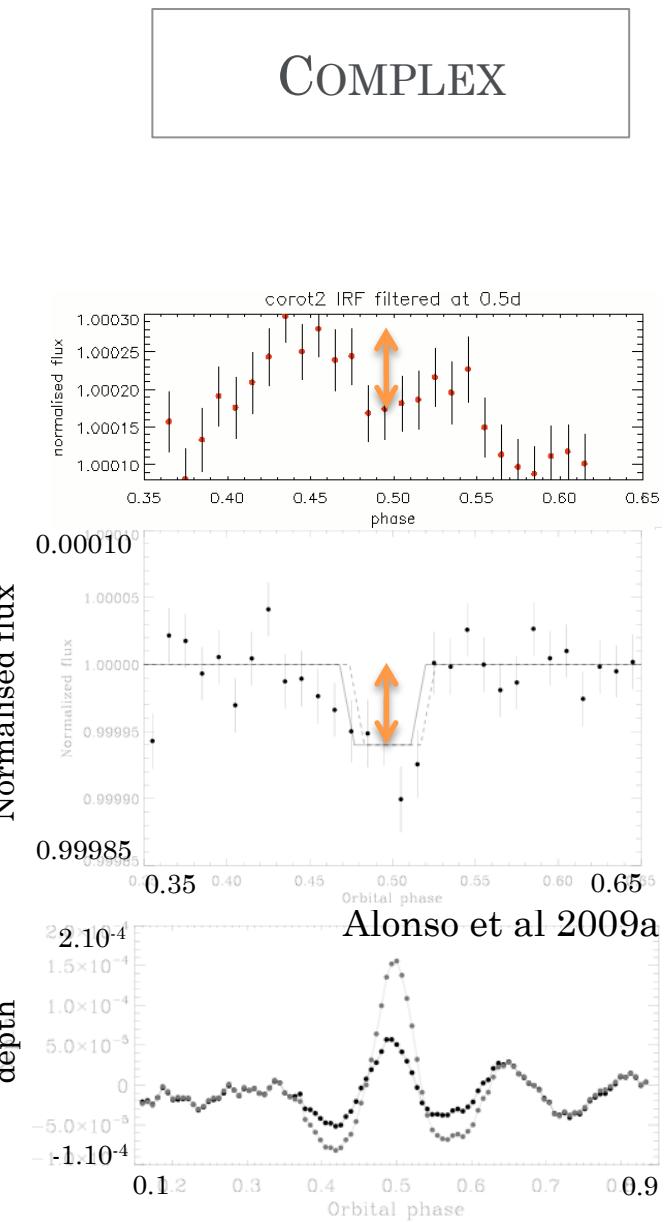
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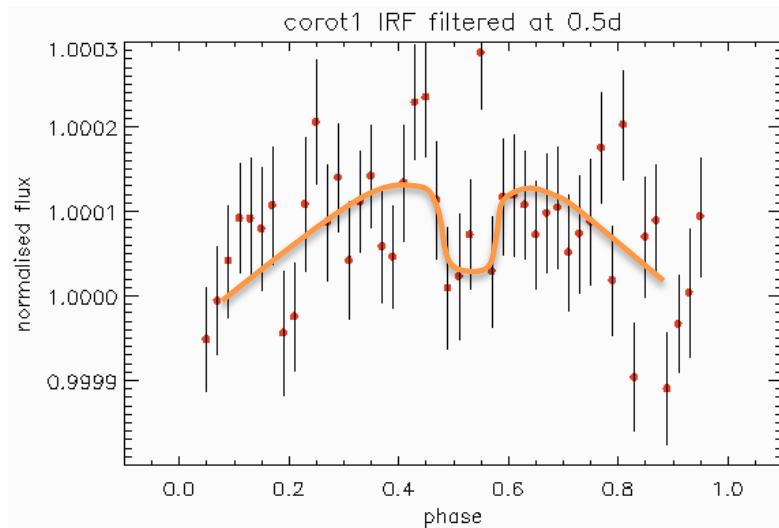
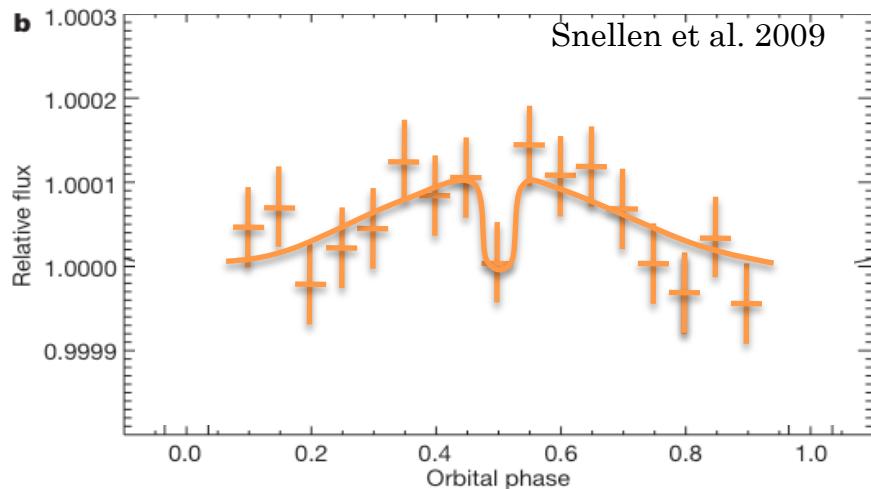
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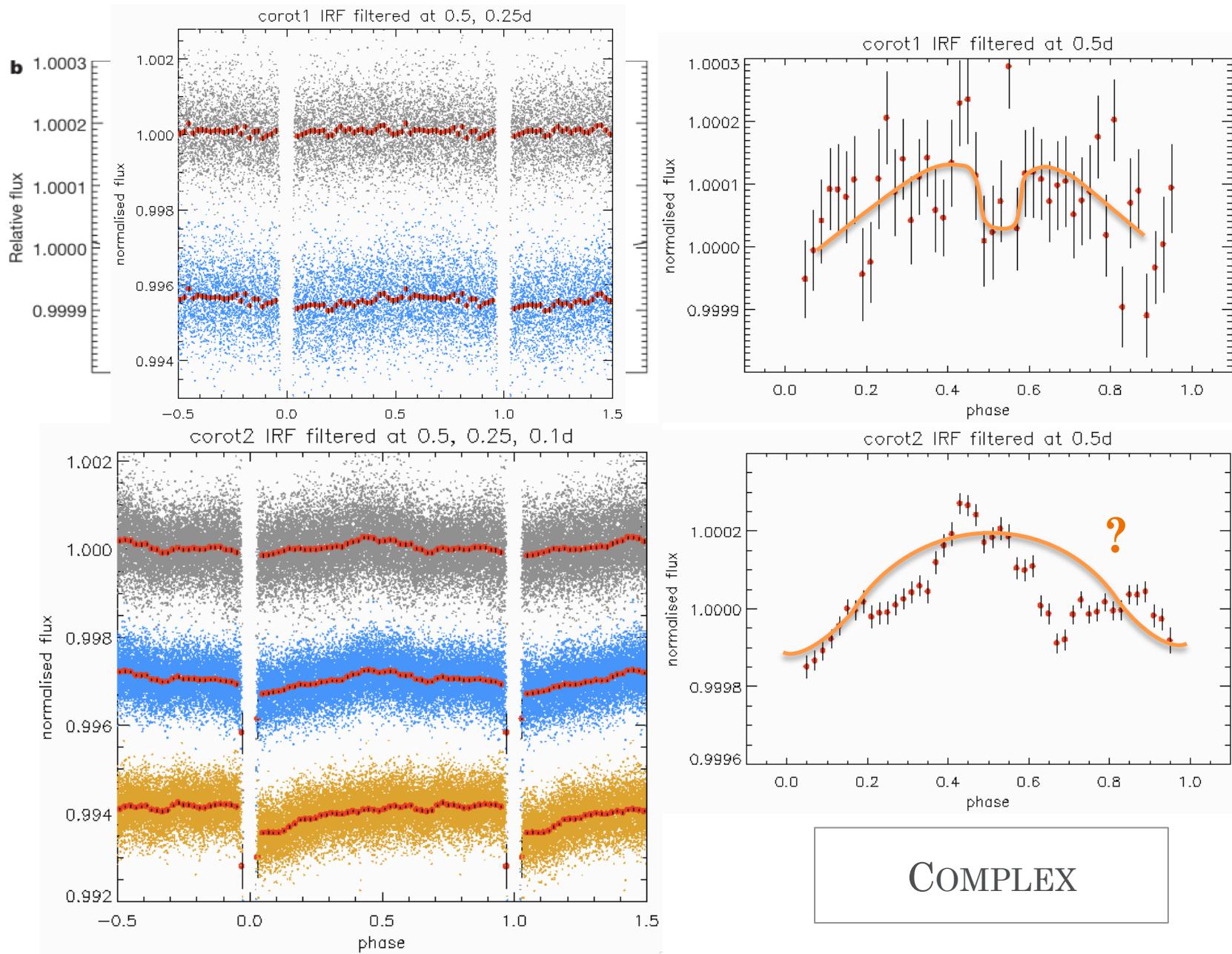


ORBITAL PHASES



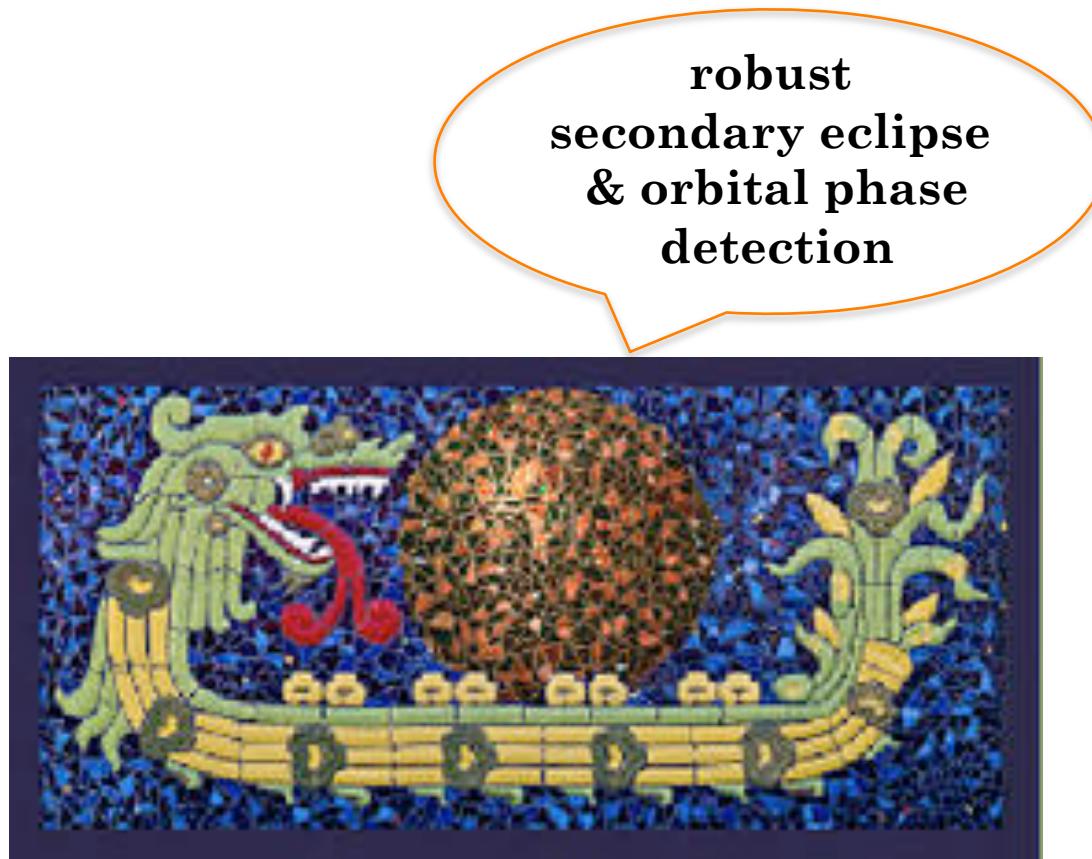


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SUMMARY

- Filtering stellar variability can affect determination of planet parameters
 - not noticeable in CoRoT giant planets & CoRoT-7
 - for small planets around active fast rotator, watch this space
- Stellar variability affects significance of secondary eclipse and orbital phase detection
- Detrending is an art: done just right → detection



**robust
secondary eclipse
& orbital phase
detection**

