

Passing the Torch: Kepler's Amazing Discoveries Propel NASA's TESS Mission into Orbit to Search for Earth's Closest Cousins

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What have we learned in the last 25 years?





https://xkcd.com/1071/

SOME FUNKET SEES EDEMARTED EMOSED ON MARKED

ALL 786 KNOWN

THIS IS OUR SOLAR SYSTEM.

THE REST OF THESE ORBIT OTHER STARS AND WERE ONLY DISCOMERED RECENTLY

MOST OF THEM ARE HUGE BEDAUSE THOSE ARE THE KIND WE LEARNED TO DETECT FIRST, BUT NOW WERE FINDING THAT SMALL ONES ARE ACTUALLY MORE CONTION.

UP INFORMATIONS PROVE LIVERS ON INVICE THEM





- Right temperature
- Air
- Liquid water
- Light
- Radiation shield
- Asteroid protection







Venus: Way too hot!



Mars: Way too cold, and small!







Earth: Just right!











Let's move this star away . . .

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...and farther ...













...and farther









Stars are very far away. We cannot see the planet cross in front of the star.

The Kepler Mission

What fraction of sun-like stars in our galaxy host potentially habitable Earth-size planets?







First Light Image

Launched March 7 2009



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Kepler generated a lot of interest



Kepler What did Kepler Discover? 9.6 YEARS IN DOCUMENTED 0.506NOM EARLIEST STACES OF EXPLOSION ARS OBSERVED MISSIONS COMPLETED 678 g SCIENCE DATA COLLECTED 2,946 SCIENTIFIC PUBLISHED 3.12 FUEL USED 732,128 EXECUTED As of October 24, 2018 www.nasa.gov/kepler NASAKepler





*According to https://exoplanetarchive.ipac.caltech.edu as of 9/20/19

Radii estimated for non-transiting exoplanets Discovery data dithered slightly

Kepler 35

Stars are large resonant cavities that ring like bells

We've measured acoustic modes for >15,000 solar-like stars

Asteroseismology gives unprecedented precision in size, mass of stars

Kepler Revolutionized Asteroseismology

A Search for Habitable Planets

NATURE OF THE NIGHT SKY (2011) Bavarian Forest Sound Installation, May 7 – Sept 18

Kepler measured p-mode oscillations for over 15000 stars!

A Disintegrating Sub-Mercury-Size Planet

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Rappaport et al. 2017, arxiv1708.06069

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Kepler Science Operations Center Architecture

>1,000,000 Lines of Code

26 different Modules

Pipeline can be run on a laptop, workstation, cluster, or supercomputer

Time series photometry is extremely computationally intensive

The SOC was awarded the 2010 NASA Software of the Year Award

search Center

The complexity of the Kepler science pipeline and data volume forced us to innovate

The Search Problem

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Keeping Up with the Data

HARDWARE ARCHITECTURE: KEPLER SCIENCE OPERATIONS CENTER

712 CPUs 3.7 TB of RAM, ~300 TB of raw disk storage

It took 10 months to reprocess 2 years of data on this hardware

HARDWARE ARCHITECTURE: NAS PLEIADES SUPERCOMPUTER

245,536 CPU cores 935 TB of memory 29 PB of storage 160 racks (11,440 nodes) 7.24 Pflop/s peak cluster 5.95 Pflop/s LINPACK rating 175 Tflop/s HPCG rating

2 racks (64 nodes) enhanced with NVIDIA GPUs 184,320 CUDA cores 0.275 Pflop/s total

Kepler used up to 20,000 CPUS on the NAS

Transiting Planet Search Running on Pleiades

The NAS Pleiades supercomputer allowed us to reprocess 4 years of data in a few months

Kepler taught us that planets are everywhere!

What next?

TRANSITING EXOPLANET SURVEY SATELLITE DISCOVERING NEW EARTHS AND SUPER-EARTHS IN THE SOLAR NEIGHBORHOOD

TESS Launches April 18 2018

TESS Sky Coverage

The first eight sectors...

TESS Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite

TESS 3-planet system L98-59

- radii between 0.8 1.6 Rearth
- mass measurements from HARPS
- M3 dwarf at 10.6 parsec (35 ly)

Exciting system for potential atmosphere characterization with HST and JWST

4) GJ 1132b 15) Kepler 93b 5) GJ 1214b 16) LHS 1140b 2.5 6) HD 97658b 17) LHS 1140c 7) HIP 1164548 8) K2-18b 19) TOI-402.02 9) K2-3b 20) TRAPPIST-16 10) K2-3c 21) TRAPPIST-16 11) Kepler 10b 22) TRAPPIST-10 Radius [R_@] 1.5 1.0(Kostov et al. accepted; Cloutier et al. submitted)

12) Kepler 10

13) Kepler 36h

14) Kepler 78b

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3) CoRoT-7b

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Observation Sector 12 in progress

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Mass [M_@]

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Last update: June 11, 2019

685 planet candidates 15 confirmed planets

137 publications submitted, 82 through peer-review (55% exoplanets, 45% other areas of astrophysics)

TESS Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite

TESS is starting to fill in the massradius diagram

Supernovae Curves in Early TESS Observations

- 53 SNe brighter than 20th magnitude at discovery observed by TESS in the first nine sectors.
- Anticipated detections in 3 years of TESS Observations: ~ 200 SNe

Fausnaugh+ 2019 arXiv:1904.02171 Submitted 4/3/19

Detecting Biomarkers through Transit Spectroscopy

Kaltenegger, L. and Traub, W. (2009) Transits of Earth-Like Planets, ApJ

Questions?

KEPLER SCIENCE DALA PROCESSING PIPILINE

