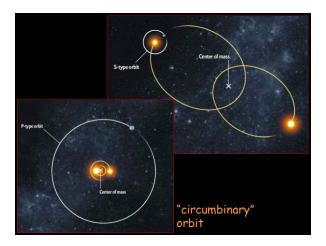
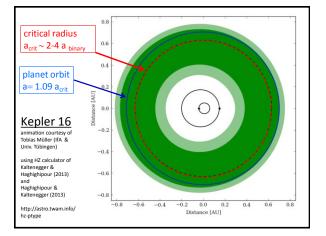


# Binary Stars The Sun is single, but binary and higher multiple star sytems are <u>very</u> common: • massive O, B stars: ~70% • Sun-like G stars: ~50% • small M stars: ~10-30%







# Kepler-16 b: The first transiting circumbinary planet (Doyle et al. 2011)

But many questions left unanswered: e.g.

- what kinds of planetary & stellar orbits are possible?
- what stellar mass ratios?
- what planetary radii, masses, and temperatures?
- pure luck that it is in the HZ?
- why so close to the critical radius for instability?
- Was Kepler-16 just a rare accidental quirk?

# Need to find more circumbinary planets

But they is <u>much</u> more difficult to find than single-star planets:

non-periodic transits

early transit

normal duration

- changing transit durations
- blended with stellar eclipses
- (possibly changing transit depths)
- ightarrow call cases have been found "by eye"

But if a candidate is found, it is much easier to confirm:

"Smoking gun": transit timing variations (TTVs) & transit duration variations (TDVs) produce an unambiguous signature

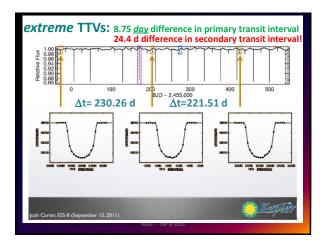
# The circumbinary planet "smoking gun":

- 0) transits
- 1) TTV: transit timing variations
- 2) TDV: transit duration variations

"moving target"

Also very helpful (allows mass measurement):

- 3) ETV: eclipse timing variations (dynamics)
- 4) LITE: light travel time delays



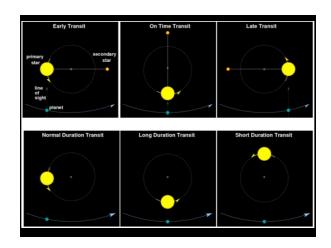
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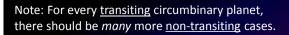
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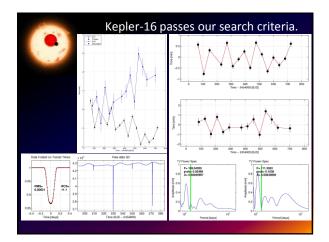
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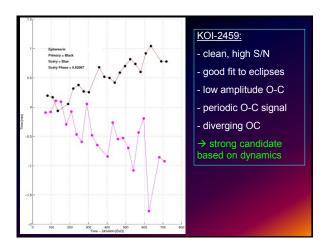


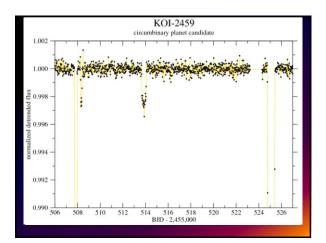


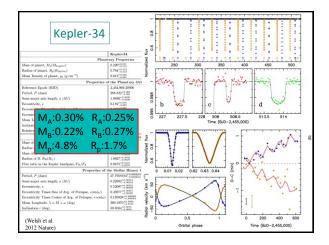
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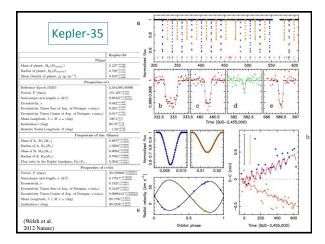
- → eclipse timing variations (ETVs)
- ➔ Observed-minus-Computed (O-C) diagrams
- divergence in orbital period between primary and secondary eclipse.

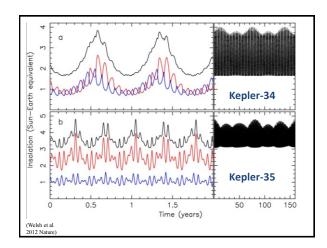


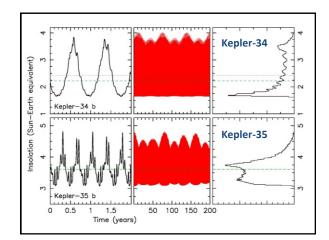














# Kepler-34 b Kepler-35 b

Saturn-mass transiting circumbinary planets, orbiting Sun-like stars.

 $P=289 \text{ days}; R_p=0.73 \text{ R}_{Jup}$ P=131 days; Rp=0.75 RJup \* T<sub>eq</sub> ~106 <sup>o</sup> F

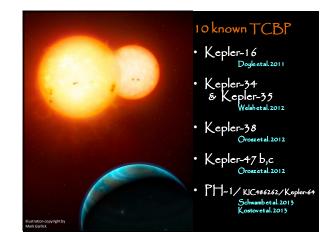


# Kepler-16, 34, 35 transiting CBPs: Not rare – 3 found in 750 cases searched

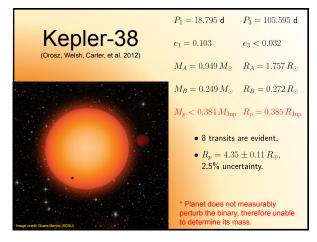
Since non-transiting cases are 5-8x more likely,

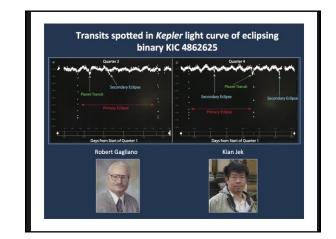
→ at least ~1% of similar binaries will have a CBP;

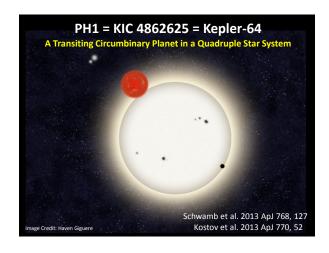
 $\rightarrow$  expect at least millions of similar, co-planar CBP in the Galaxy.

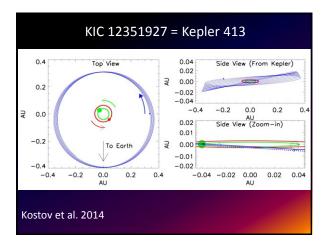


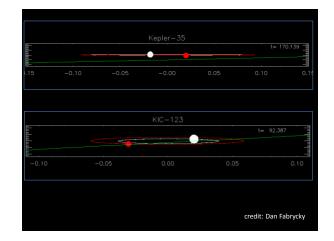


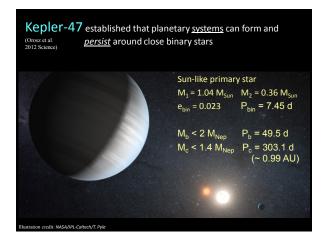


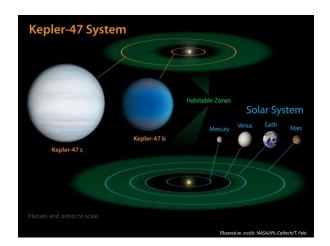


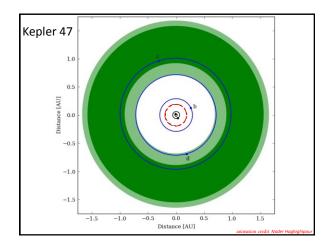


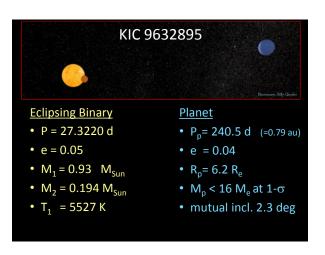


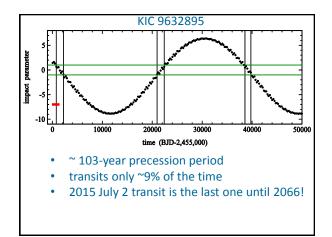


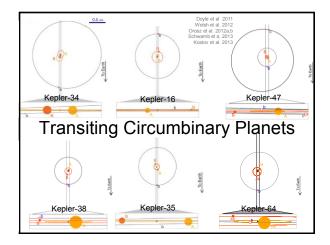












### Transiting Circumbinary Planets

Difficult to find...

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#### Requires a "photodynamic" code:

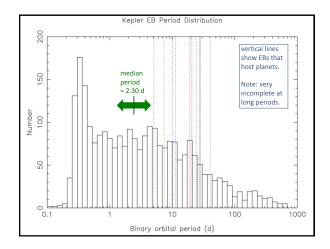
- orbits not Keplerian, so we must integrate the equations of motion (with light-travel-time effect)
- in some cases GR and non-spherical corrections needed (apsidal motion)
- 40-50 free parameters, some highly correlated
- need robust optimization, e.g. MCMC

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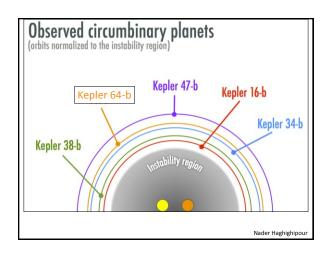
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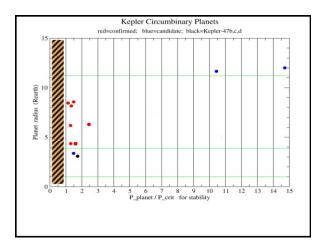
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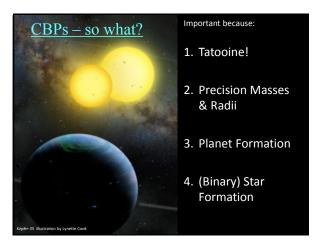
- As a consequence of being close to critical radius, Kepler CB Planets are close to the HZ.
  - ightarrow 3 out of 10 CBPs are in the conservative HZ
  - $\rightarrow$  5 out of 12 candidates are in the optimistic HZ (~42%)
- Note: tidal torques due to a binary companion can slow stellar rotation → decrease stellar activity → safer HZ.

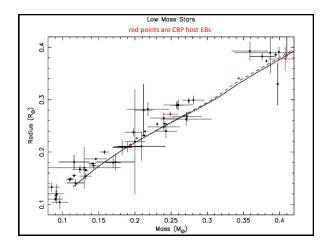
# • Binarity can decrease stellar activity, thereby extending the HZ:

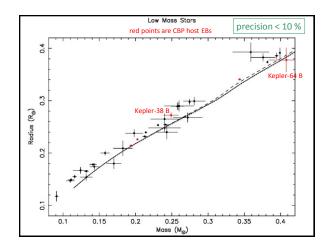
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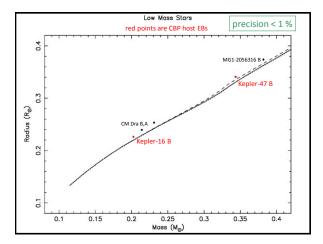
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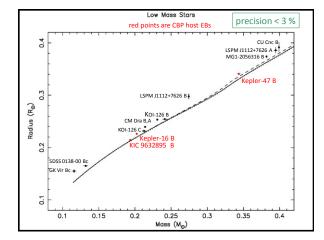
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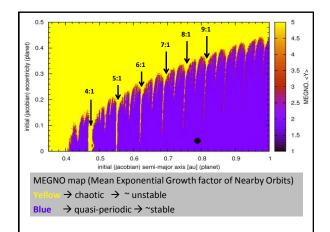










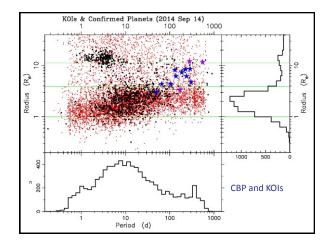


## Summary Kepler Circumbinary Planets:

- 10+ systems show a wide variety of stellar and orbital properties
- Emerging trends:
  - smaller than Jupiter in size
  - tend to orbit close to the (in)stability limit
  - do not exist around short-period binaries
  - large fraction are in the Habitable Zone

#### • Provide rich rewards:

- challenges for planet formation & migration theories
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#### Circumbinary Planets

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- more precise age of system
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- multi-periodic variable insolation → wild climates
- their existence shows that planet formation is vigorous and robust
- At least tens of millions of such systems in the Galaxy