

KEGS (Kepler Extra-Galactic Survey)



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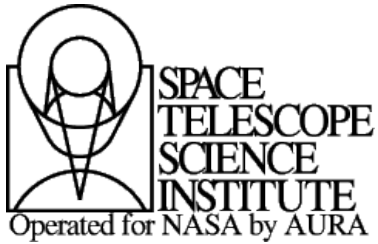
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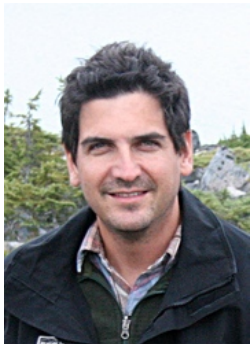
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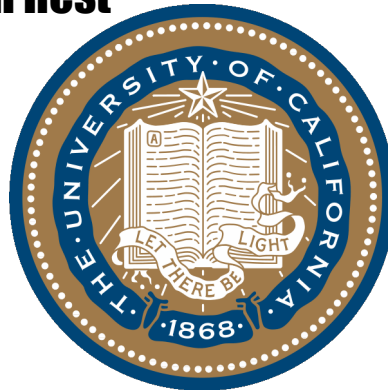
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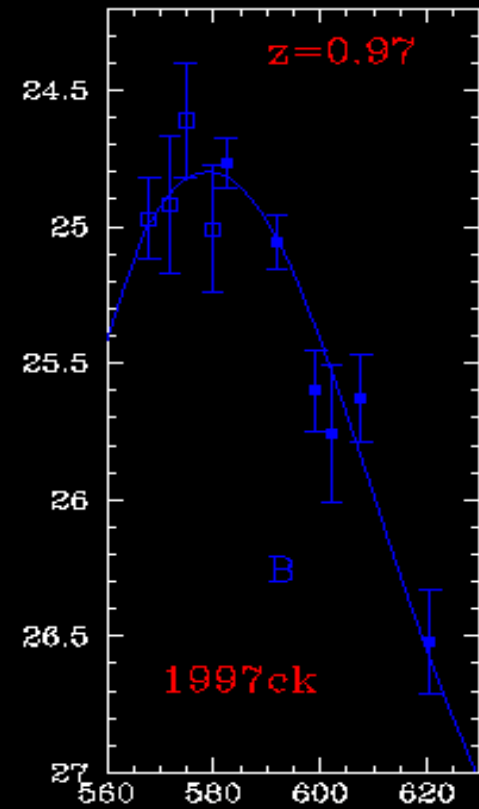
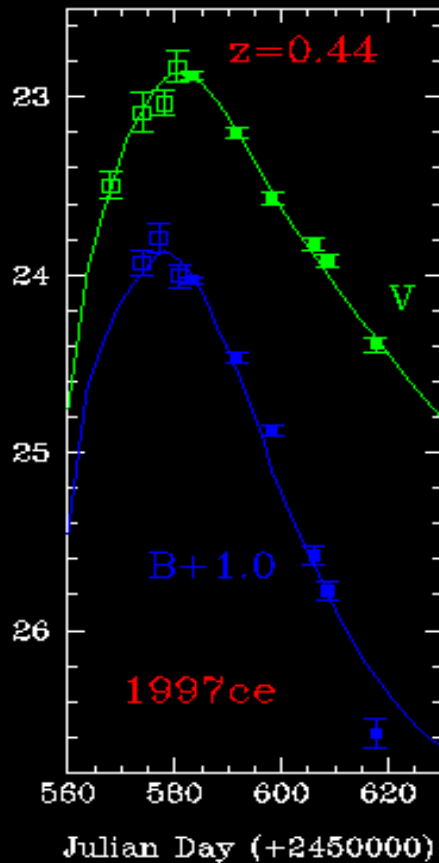
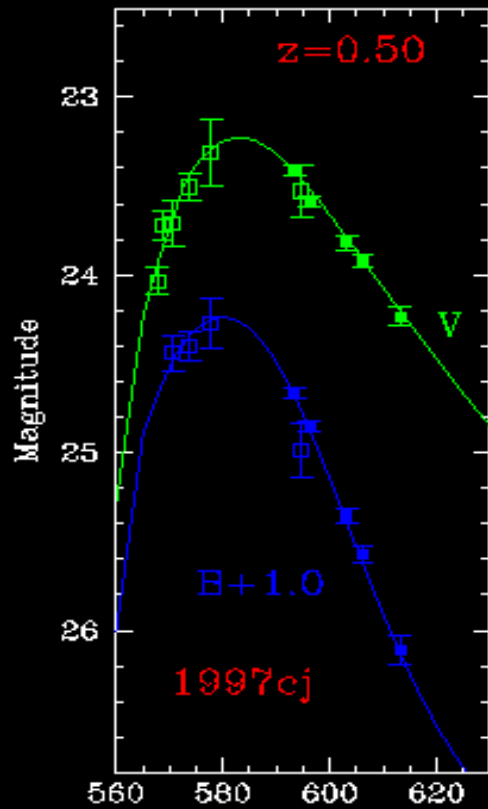
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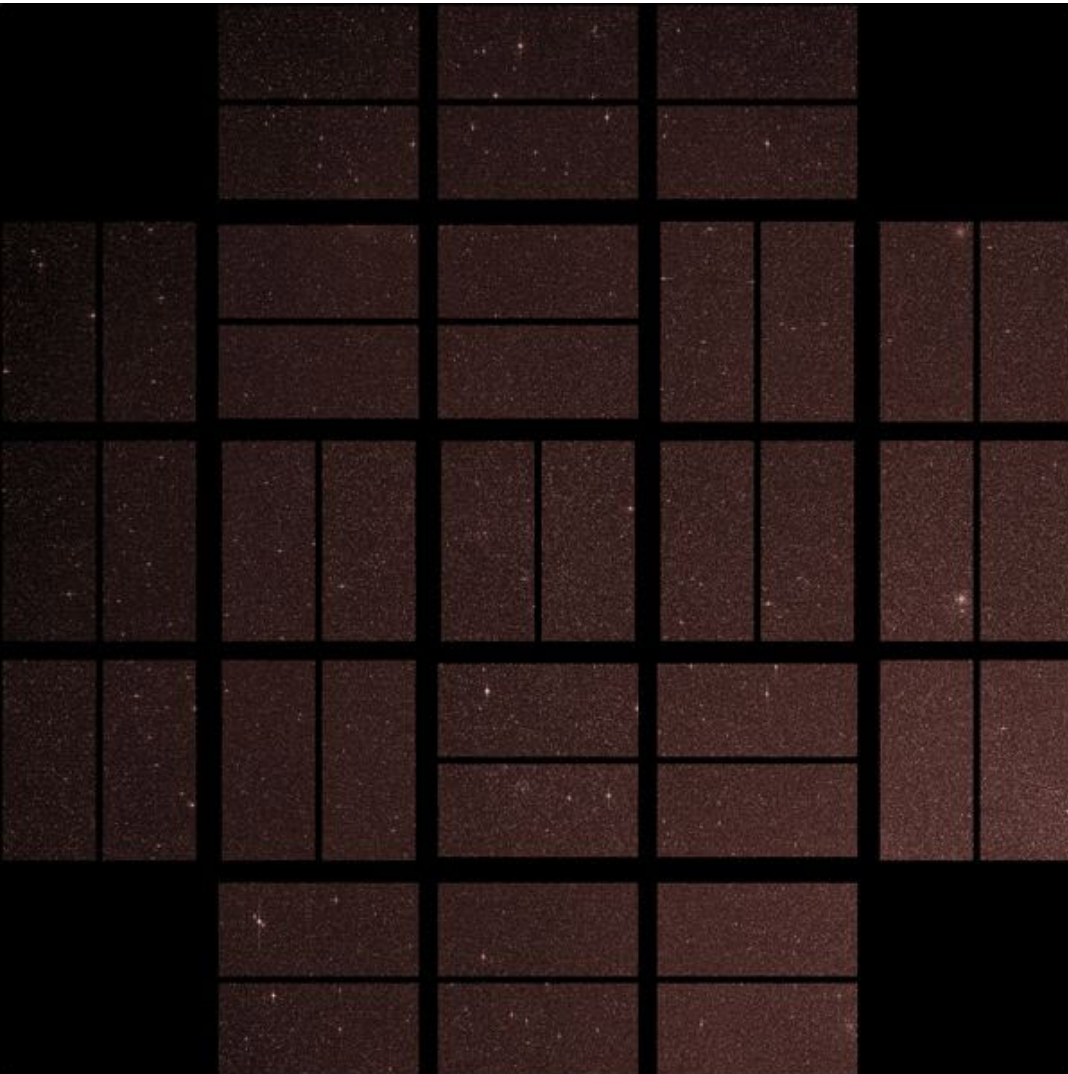
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Cosmology SN Light Curves



Kepler



Transiting planets around bright stars

105 sq. degree field in Cygnus

~100K targets (~3k GO)

1 min + 30 min cadences

Only selected pixels downloaded

Monitored 500 galaxies

SN with Kepler

6 SN from 2010 - 2012

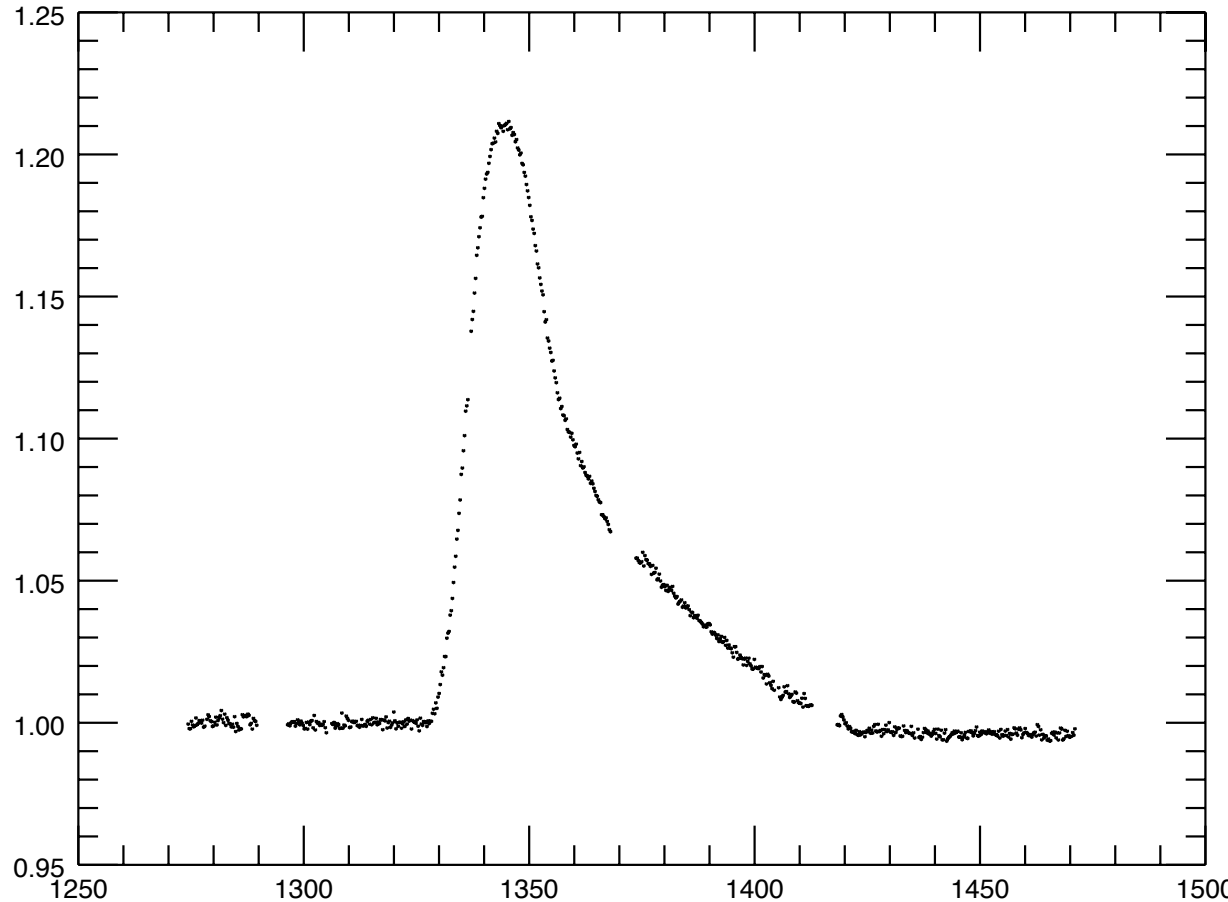
3 Ia's (Olling+, 2015, Nature)

2 II-P (Tucker+, in prep)

1 II-pec/Ia-CSM (Garnavich+, in prep)

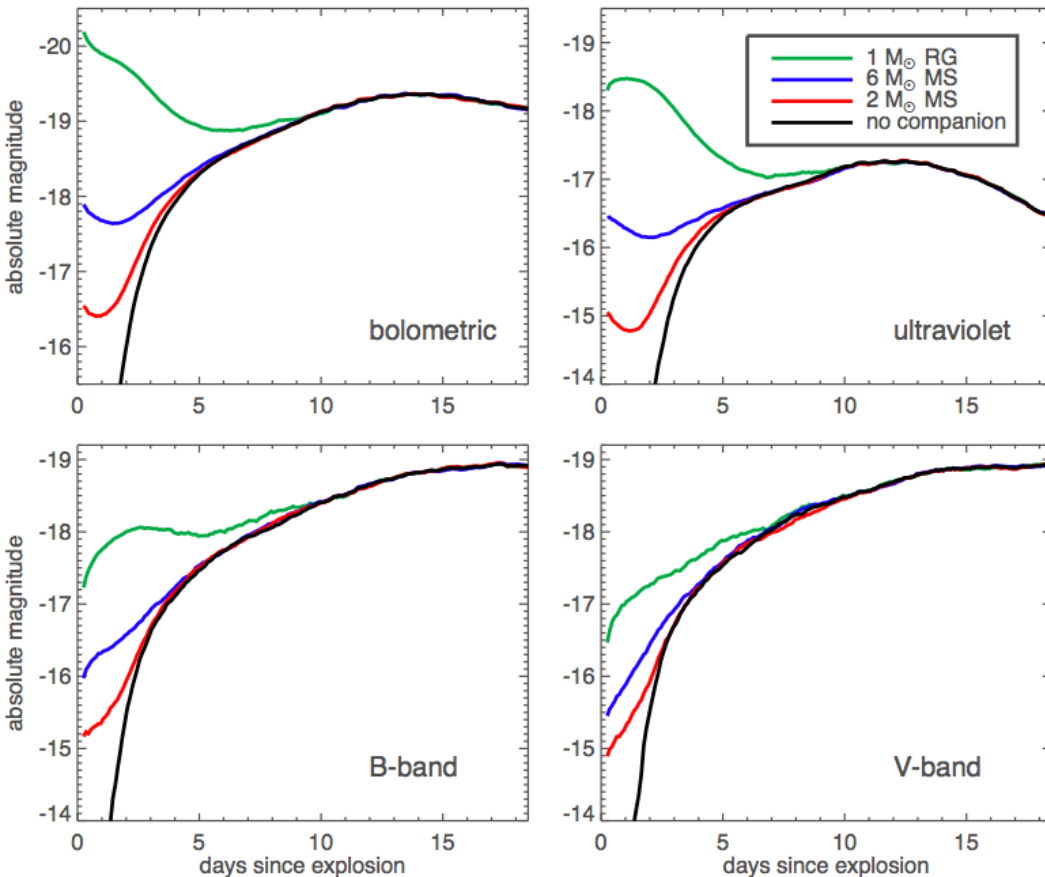
$Z=0.05 - 0.144$

4000 data points per SN



Olling+ 2015, Nature

Signs of the Donor Star



Kasen (2010)

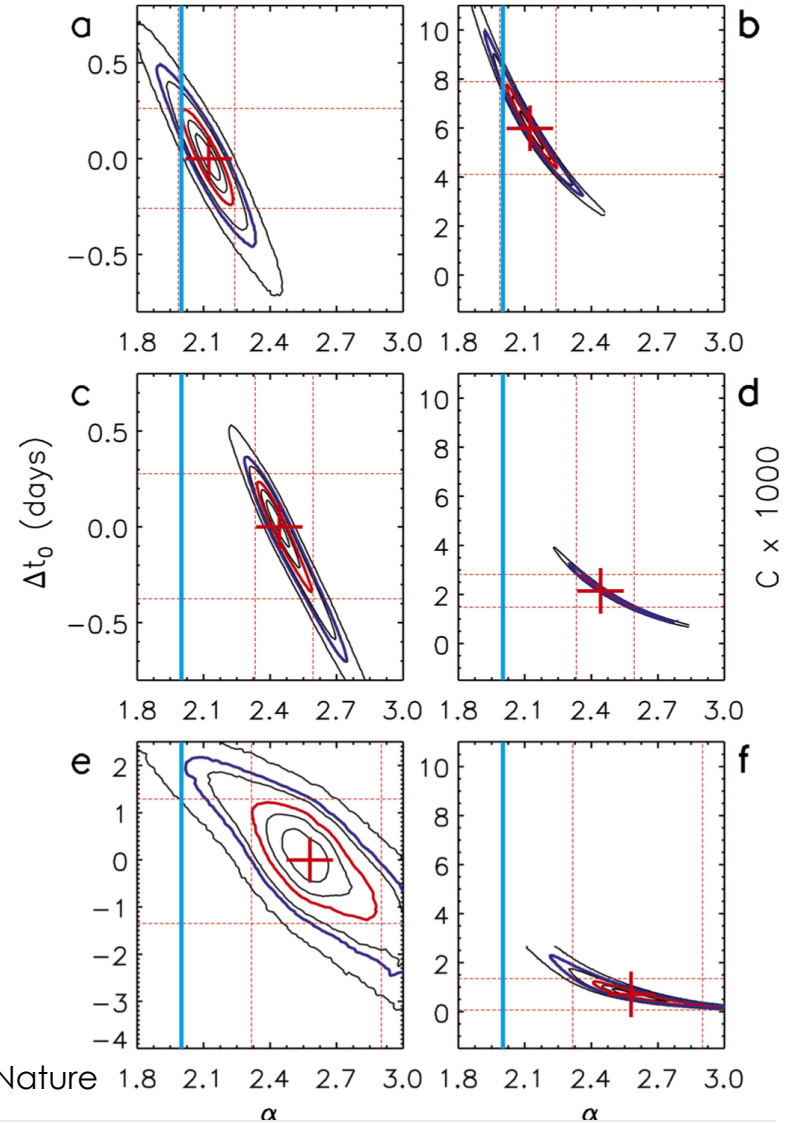
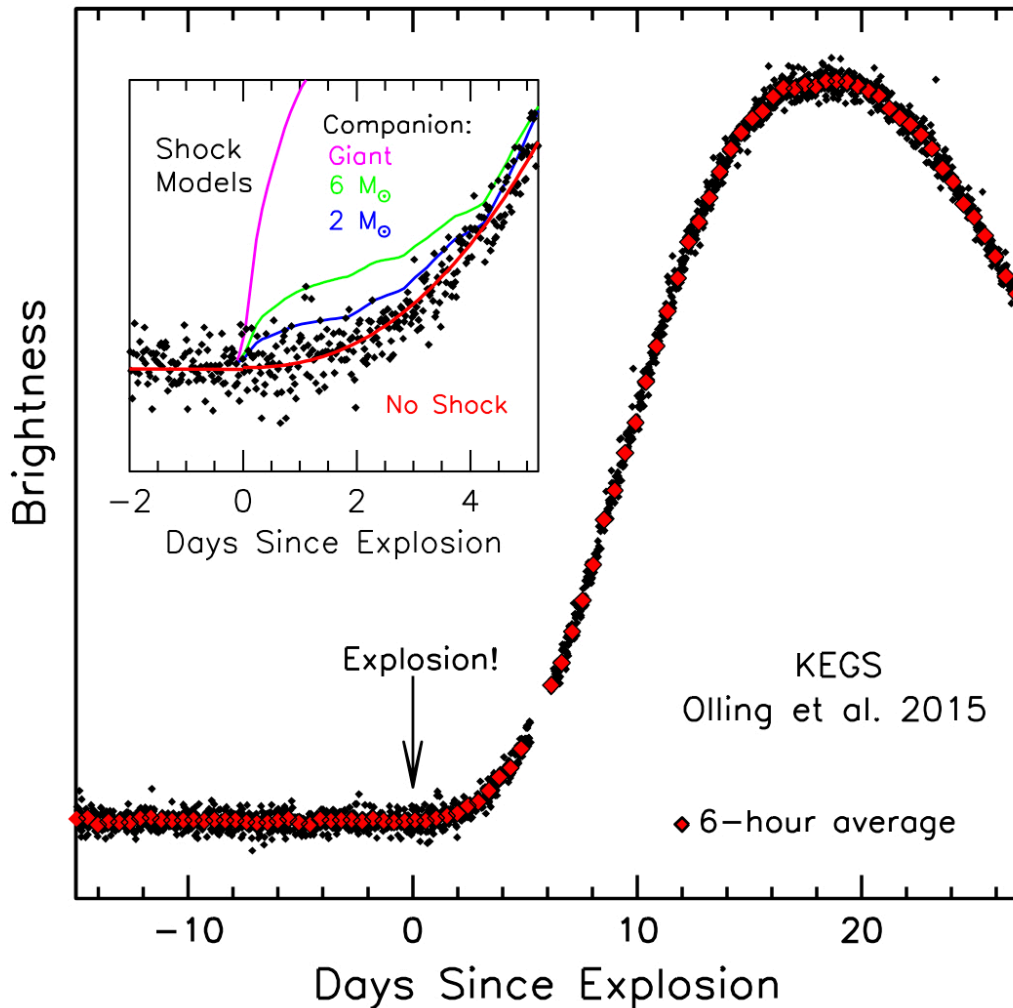
The donor star interferes with the ejecta from the explosion

$t < \sim 5$ days in B band for a Red Giant shows a significant bump

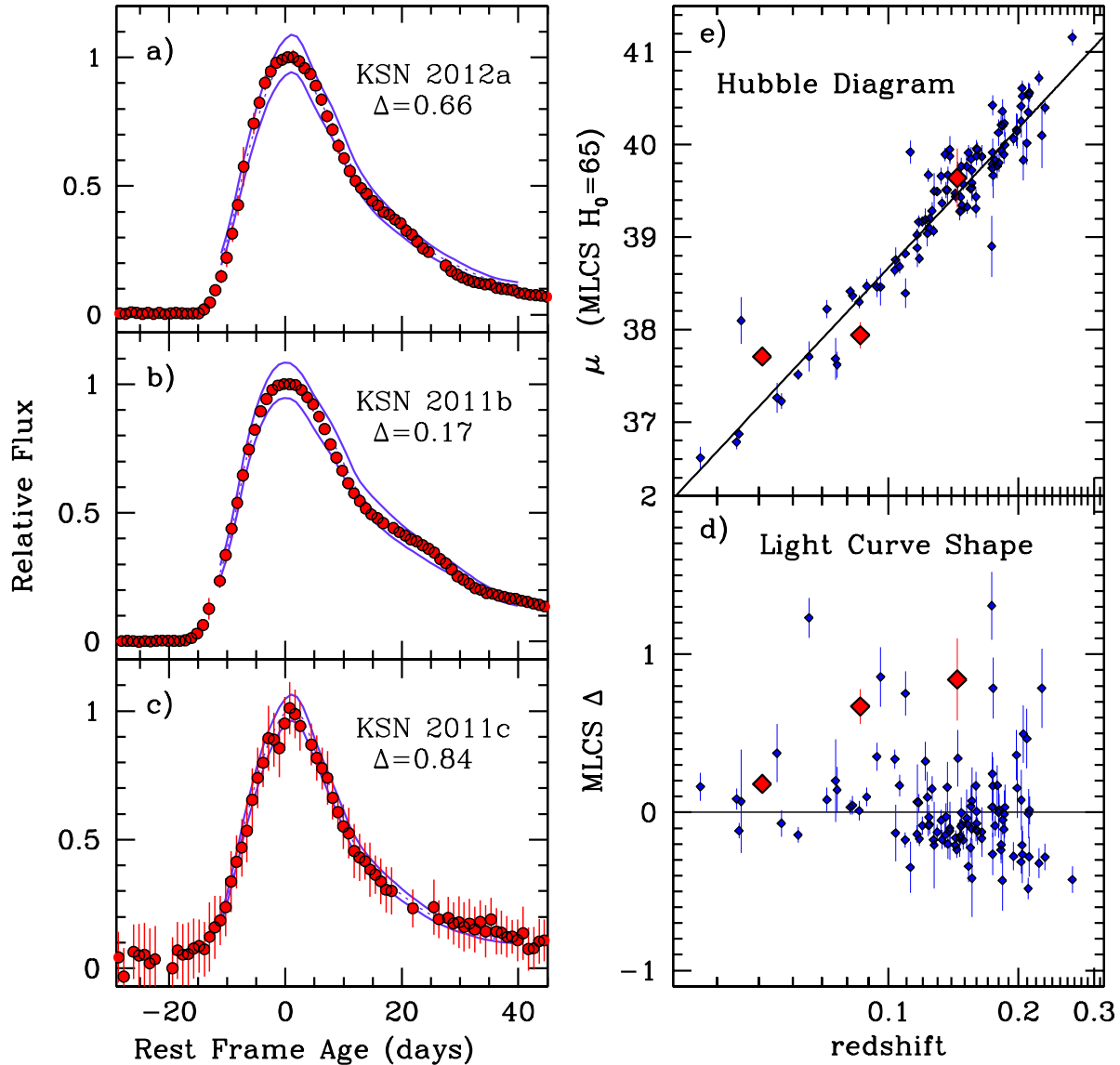
Optical bands only suffer a slight modification to their light curve rise time, at very early times

Type Ia SN with Kepler

Kepler Supernova 2011b



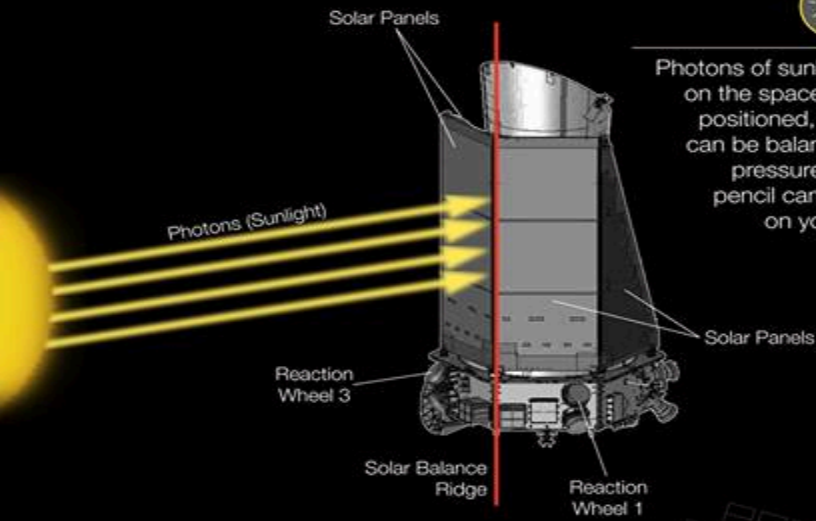
Kepler Cosmology



Kepler's Second Light: How K2 Will Work

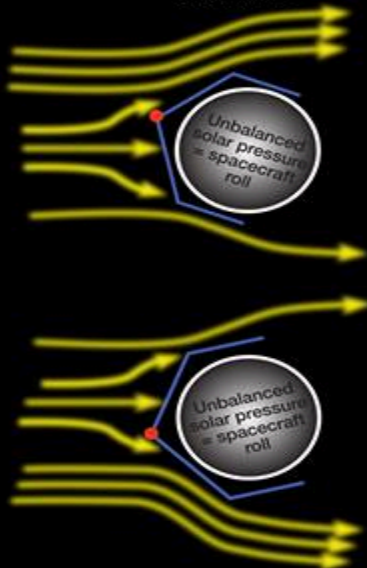


Photons of sunlight exert pressure on the spacecraft. If properly positioned, the spacecraft can be balanced against the pressure much as a pencil can be balanced on your finger.

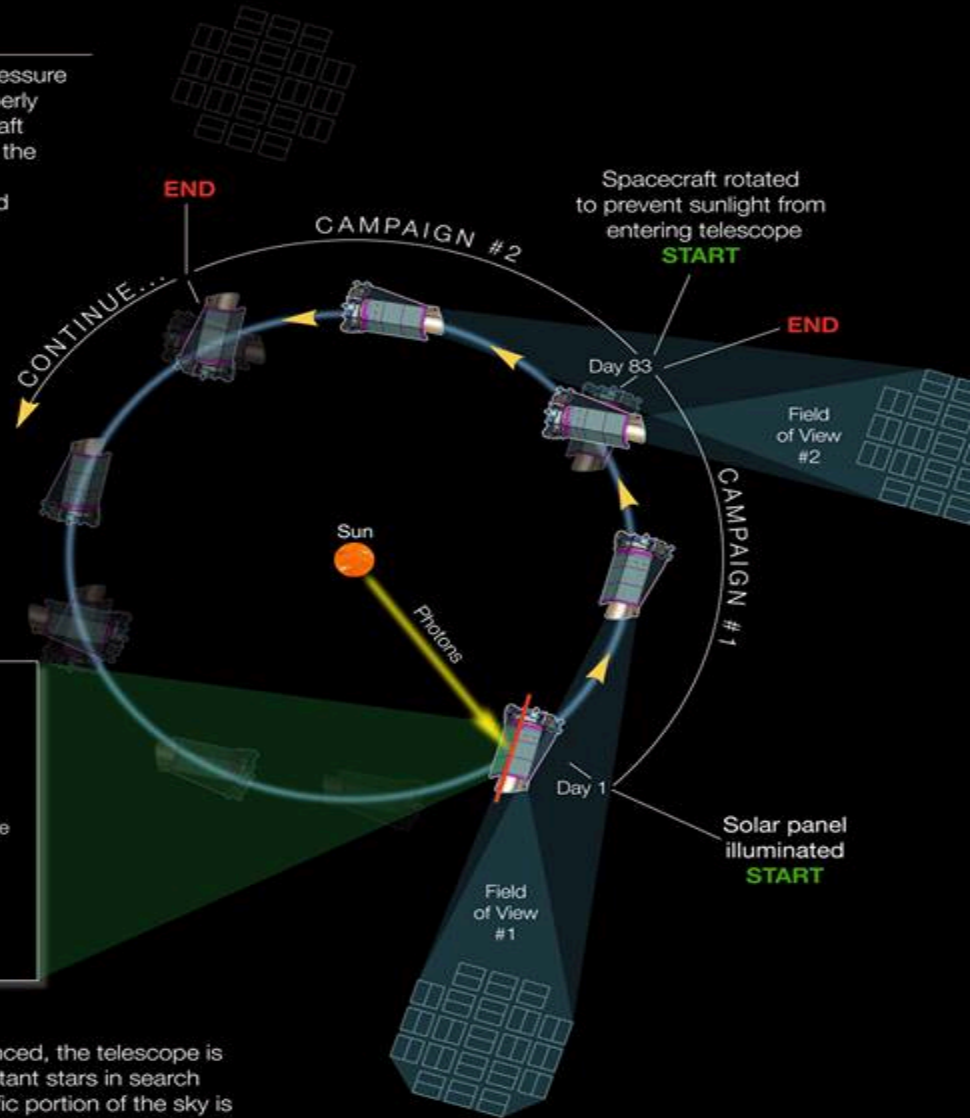
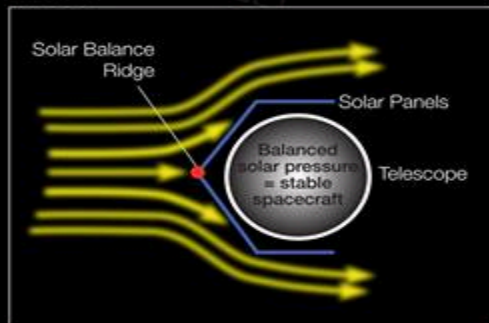


TOP-DOWN VIEWS OF SPACECRAFT

UNSTABLE



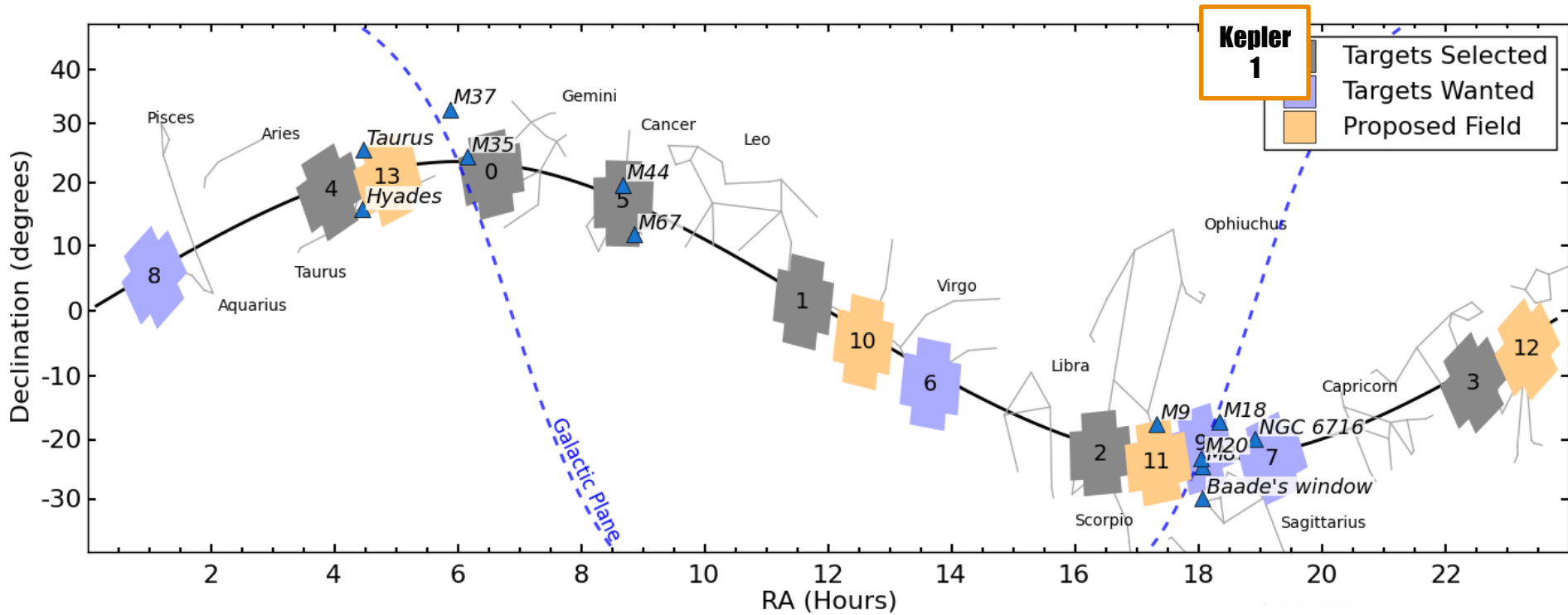
STABLE



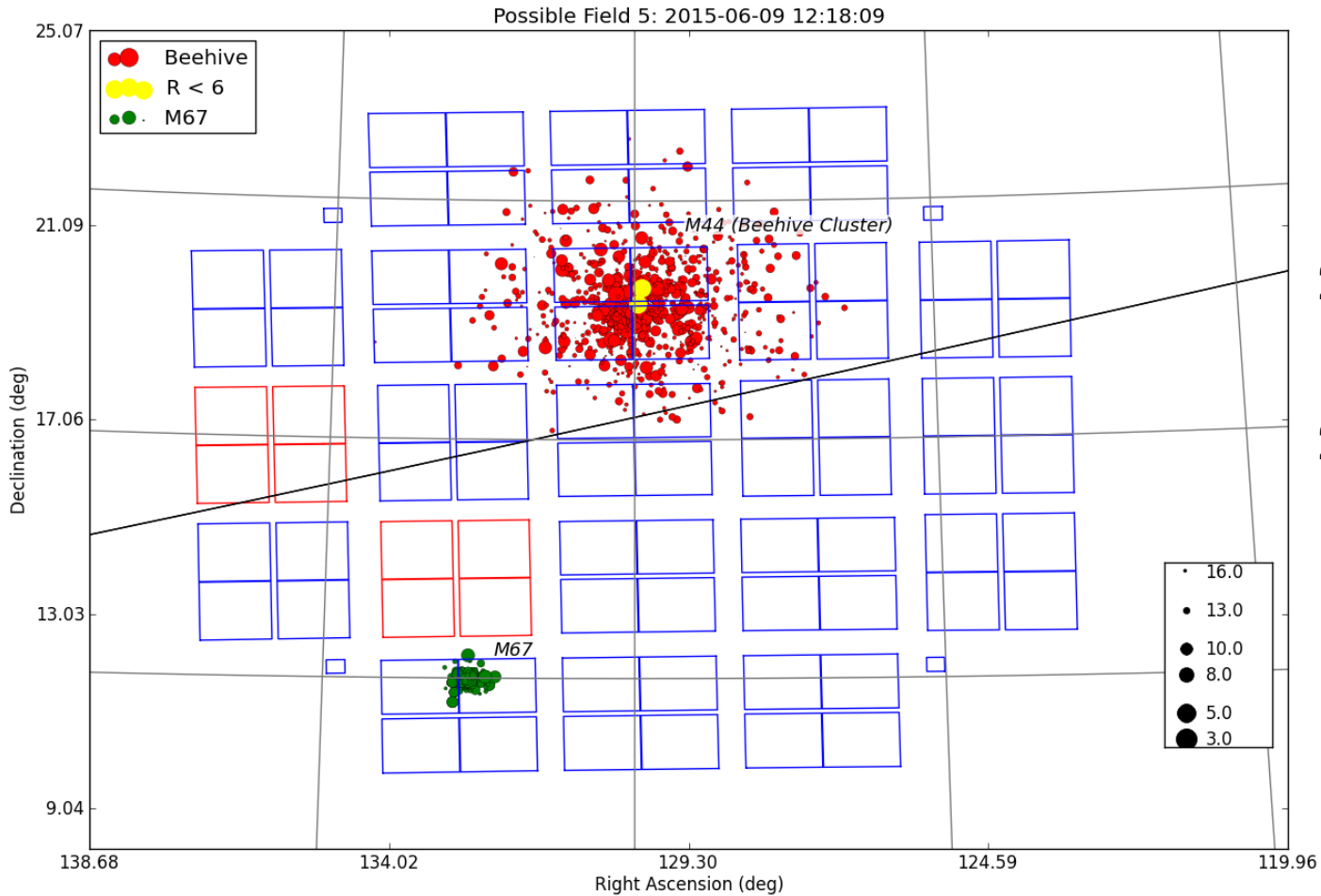
When the spacecraft is balanced, the telescope is stable enough to monitor distant stars in search of transiting planets. A specific portion of the sky is studied for approximately 83 days, until it is necessary to rotate the spacecraft to prevent sunlight from entering the telescope. There are approximately 4.5 viewing periods or campaigns per orbit or year.



K2 Fields



Campaign 5



2800 Galaxies

26 April – 11 July 2015

Fast and Faint

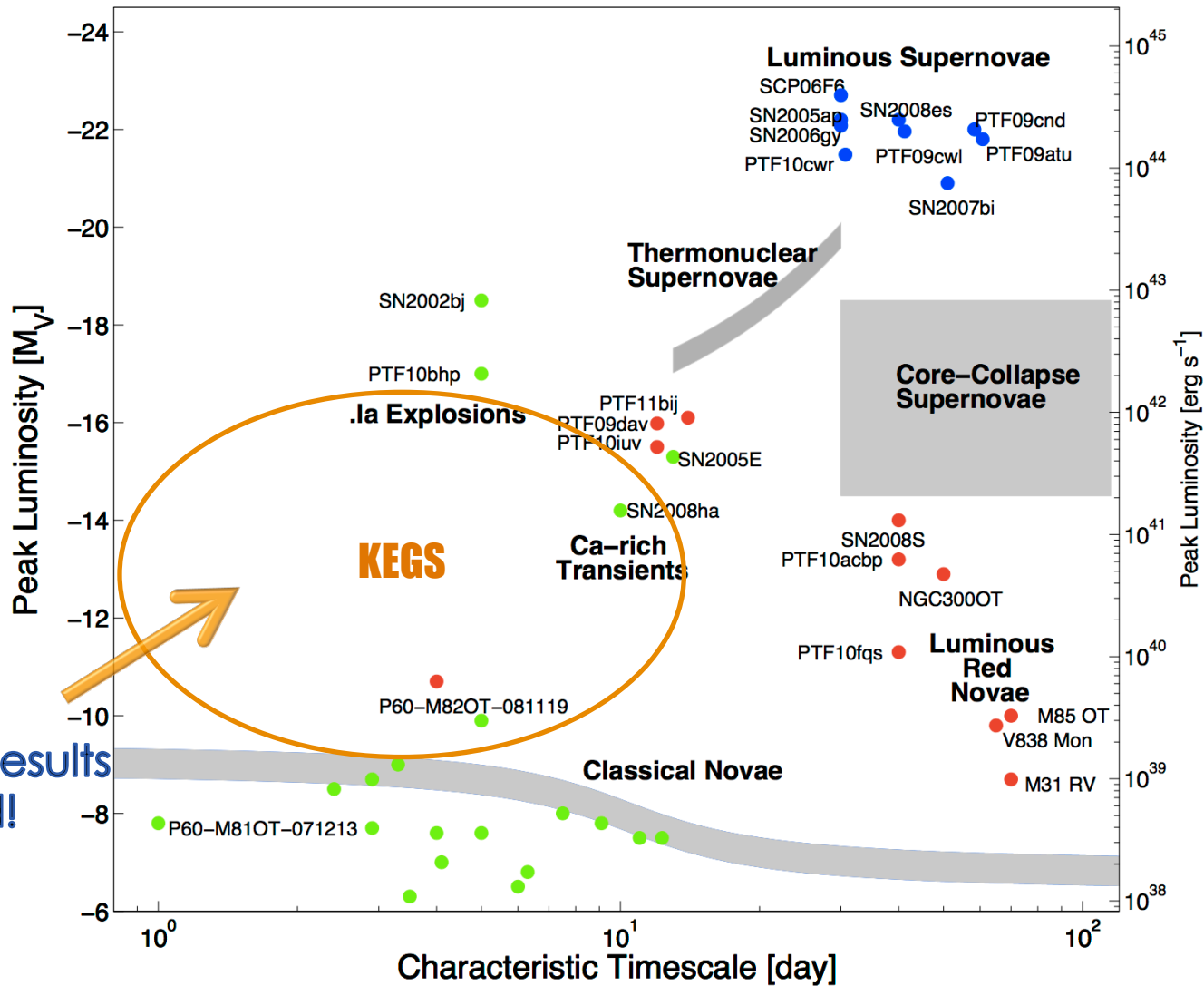
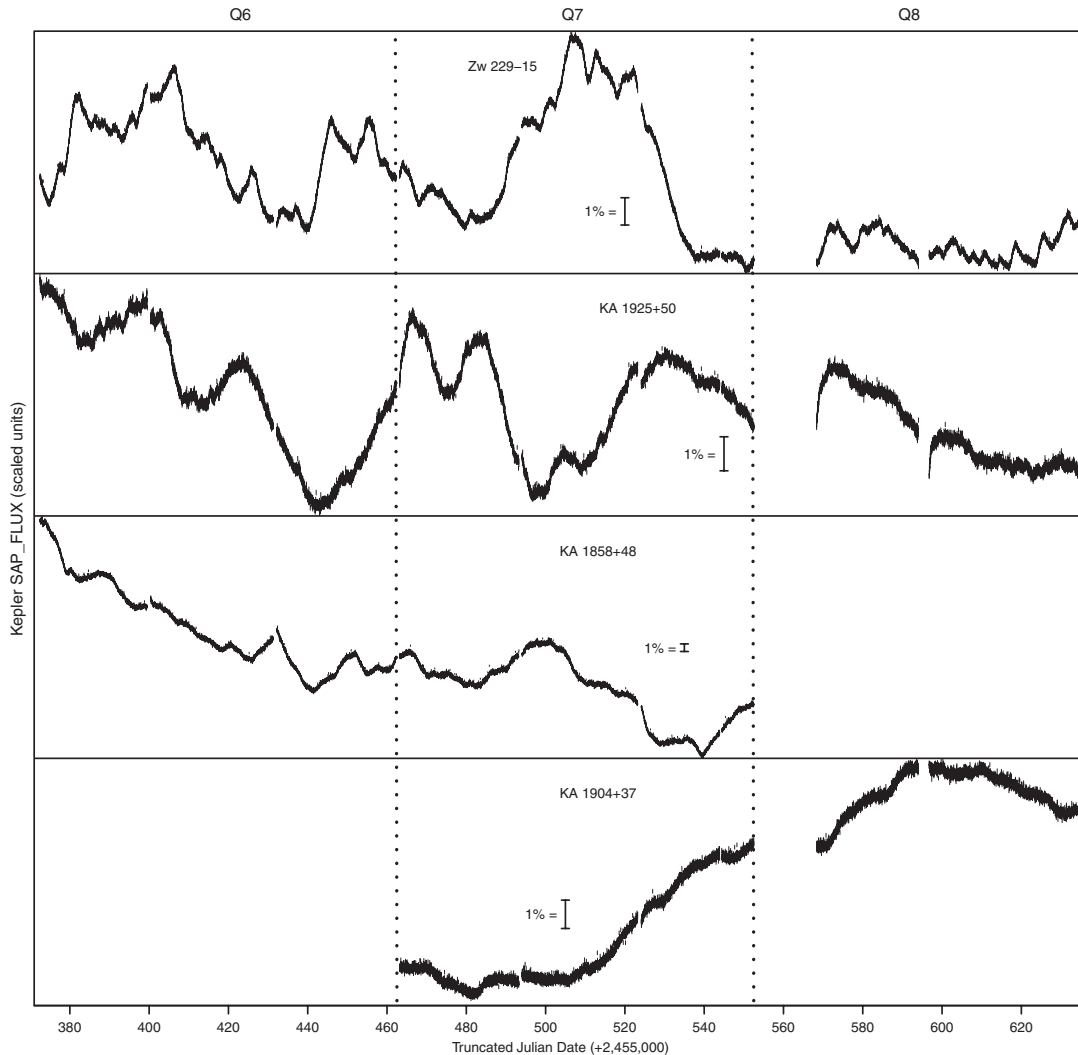


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K2 Field1 Results
Stay tuned!

Active Galactic Nuclei



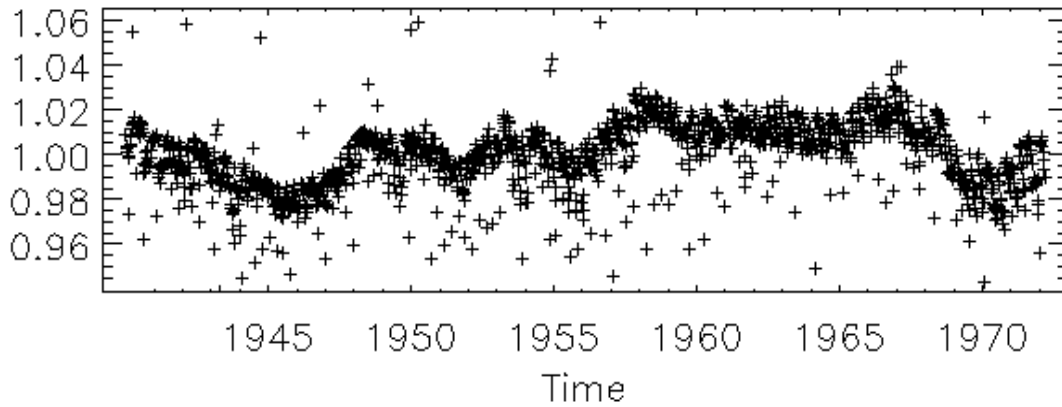
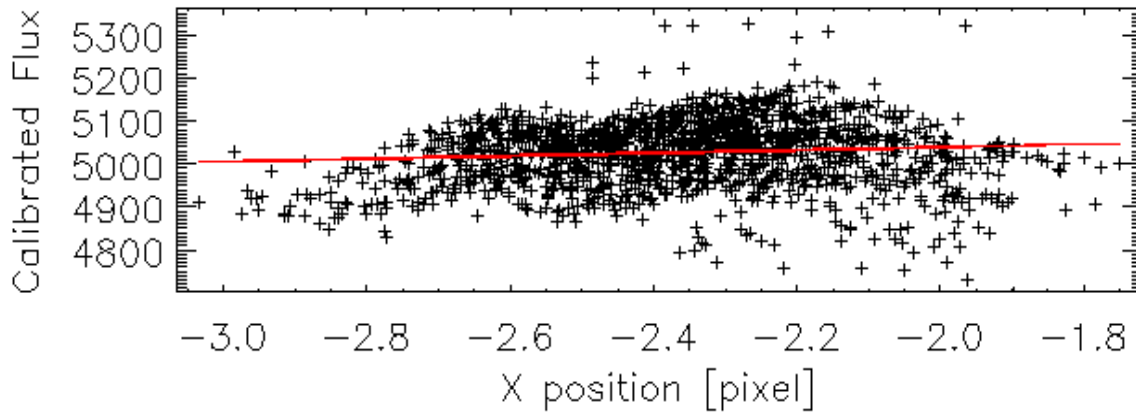
~3% of galaxies low level AGN

Sensitivity ~0.01%

Aiming to find 300 – 500 new AGN

Quasars

CNT= 1 ; EPIC 202059522



Known QSO z-0.203
BL Lac
Variability ~ 1%

KEGS Plan + Goals

2 – 3 Fields per year (Galactic Cap Fields), 3-5K galaxies per field

3 – 10 SN per field, SN Shock break-out + subtle features

Fast, faint transients

AGN, QSO's

Improving cosmological samples

Need Ground Based Follow-up to type objects

Talk to me, Armin or Dan if you're thirsty for data and want some KEGS