

# Equatorial dynamics of hot Jupiters and warm Neptunes



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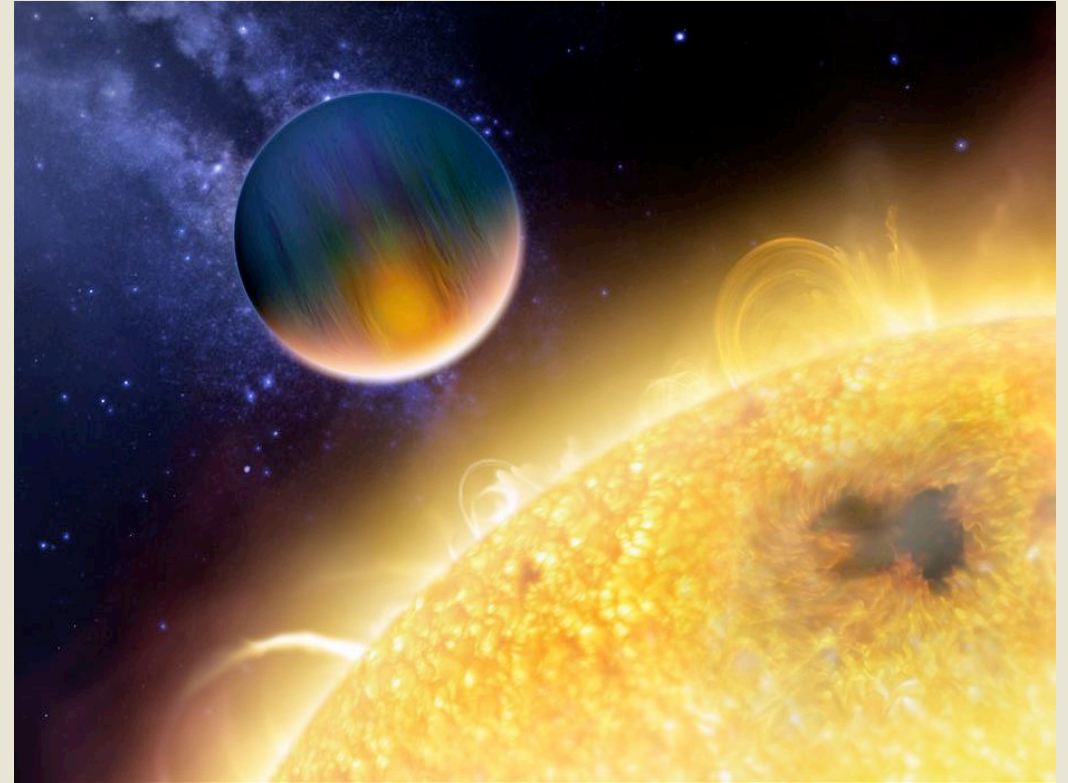
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# Overview

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- I. *Observations and simulations*
- II. *Warm Neptunes: breaking of the primitive equations*
- III. *Hot Jupiters: spin-up of superrotation*



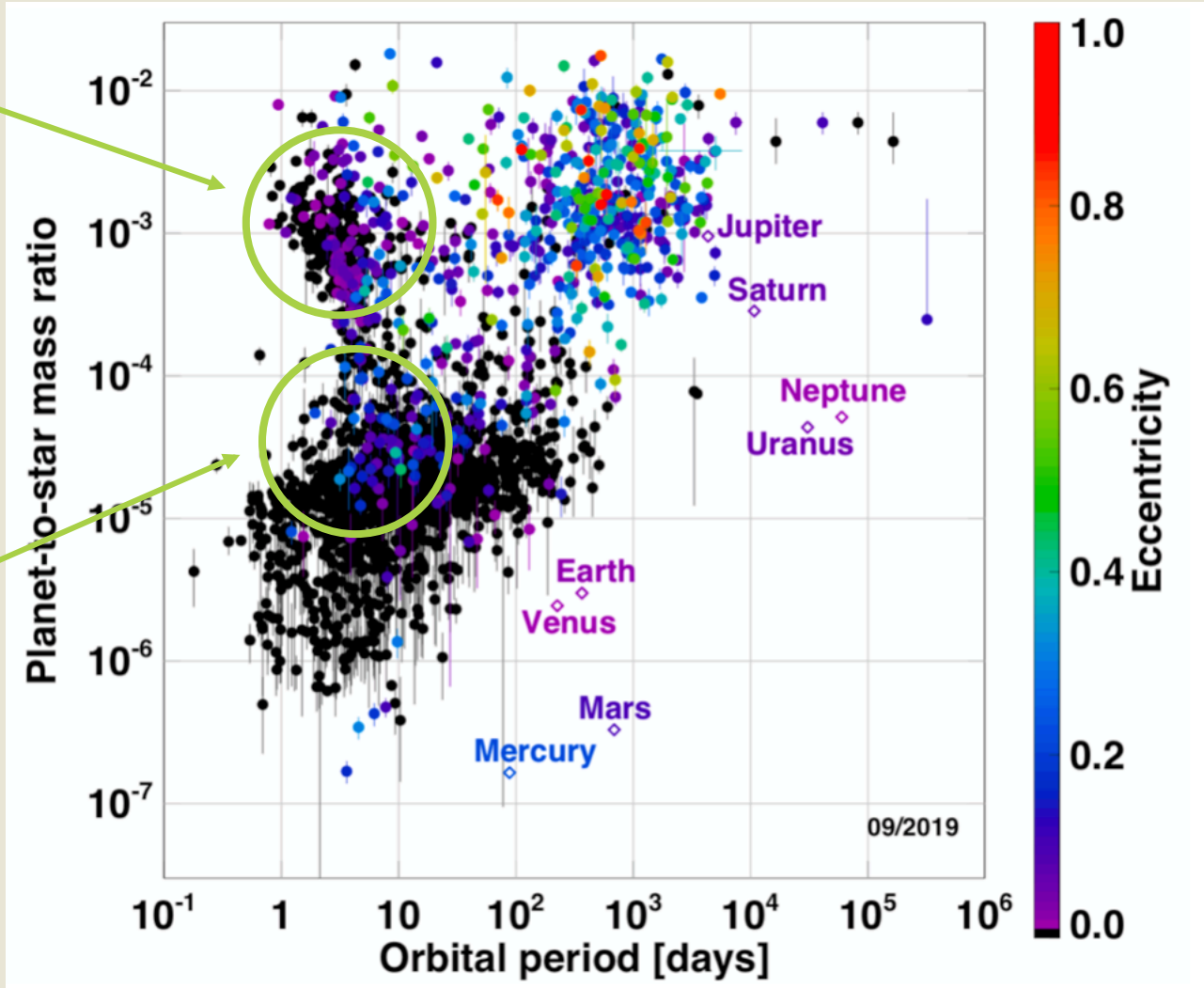
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# I. Observations and simulations

> 3500 confirmed exoplanets

Hot Jupiters

Warm Neptunes



# I. Observations and simulations

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## Hot Jupiters

First discovery:

51 Peg b, Mayor & Queloz 1995

### HD 209458b

Jupiter mass and radius

Mass	Radius	Orbital period	Semi major axis
$0.7 M_J = 222 M_T$	$95000 \text{ km} = 1.36 R_J$	3.5 days	0.04 AU

Short orbits: tidally locked

Day side – night side temperature difference:  $\sim 1000\text{K}$

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## Warm Neptunes

First characterized:  
Corot 7b, Leger et al. 2009

### **GJ 1214b**

Mass	Radius	Orbital period	Semi major axis
6.5 $M_{\text{T}}$	2.7 $M_{\text{T}}$	1.5 days	0.015 AU

Warm Neptunes or super Earths ?

First atmospheric studies: GJ 1214b. Low density: extended atmosphere

# I. Observations and simulations

## Detection

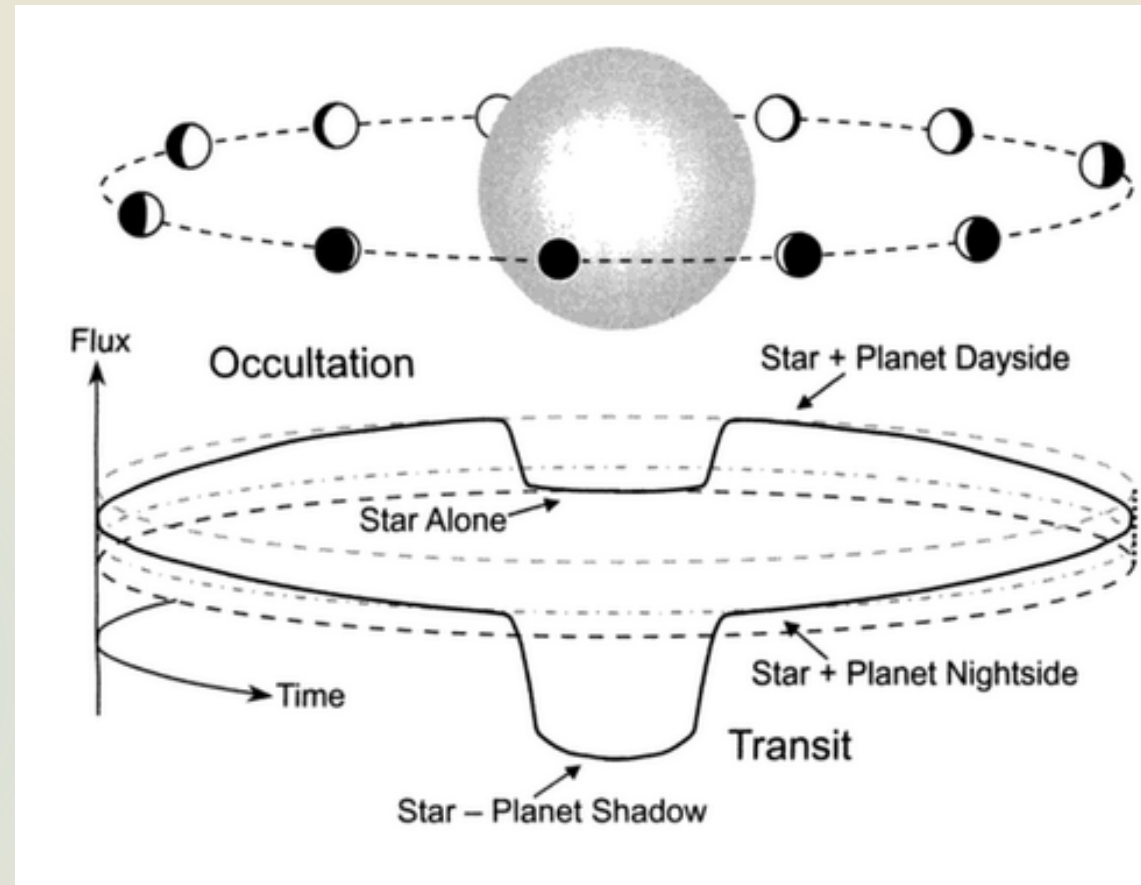
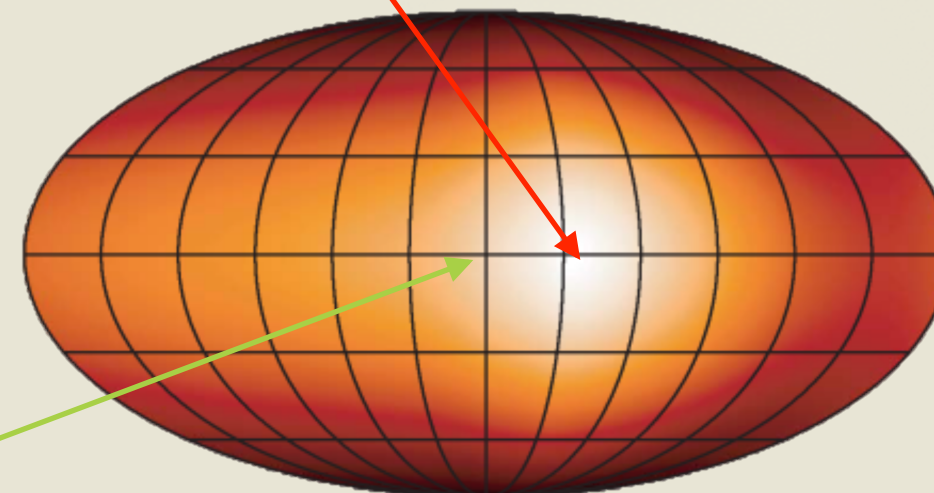
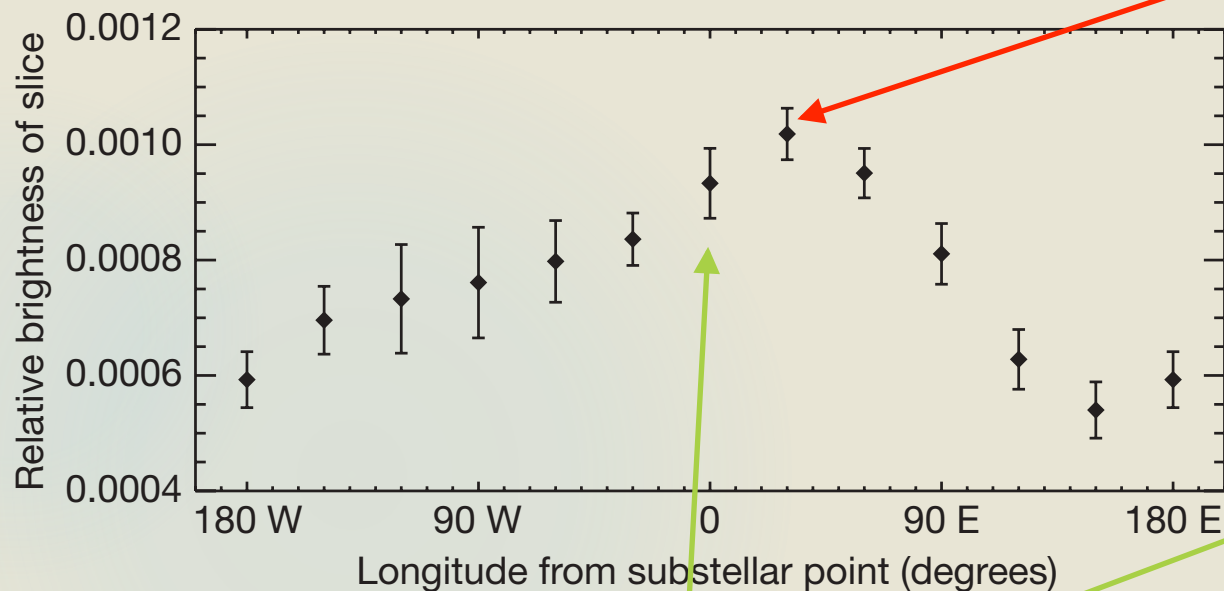


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Observations

Maximum temperature

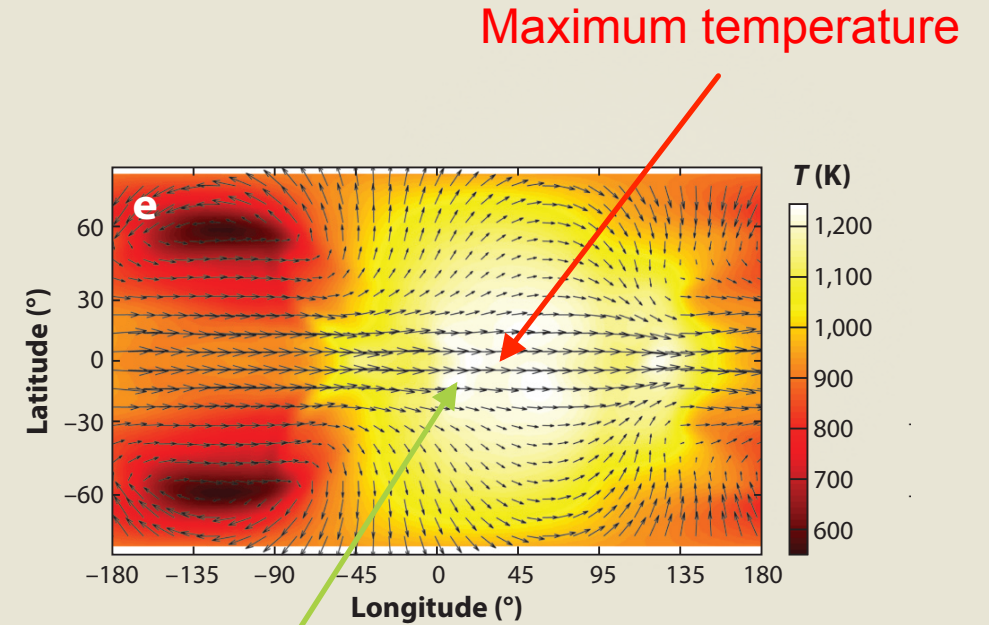
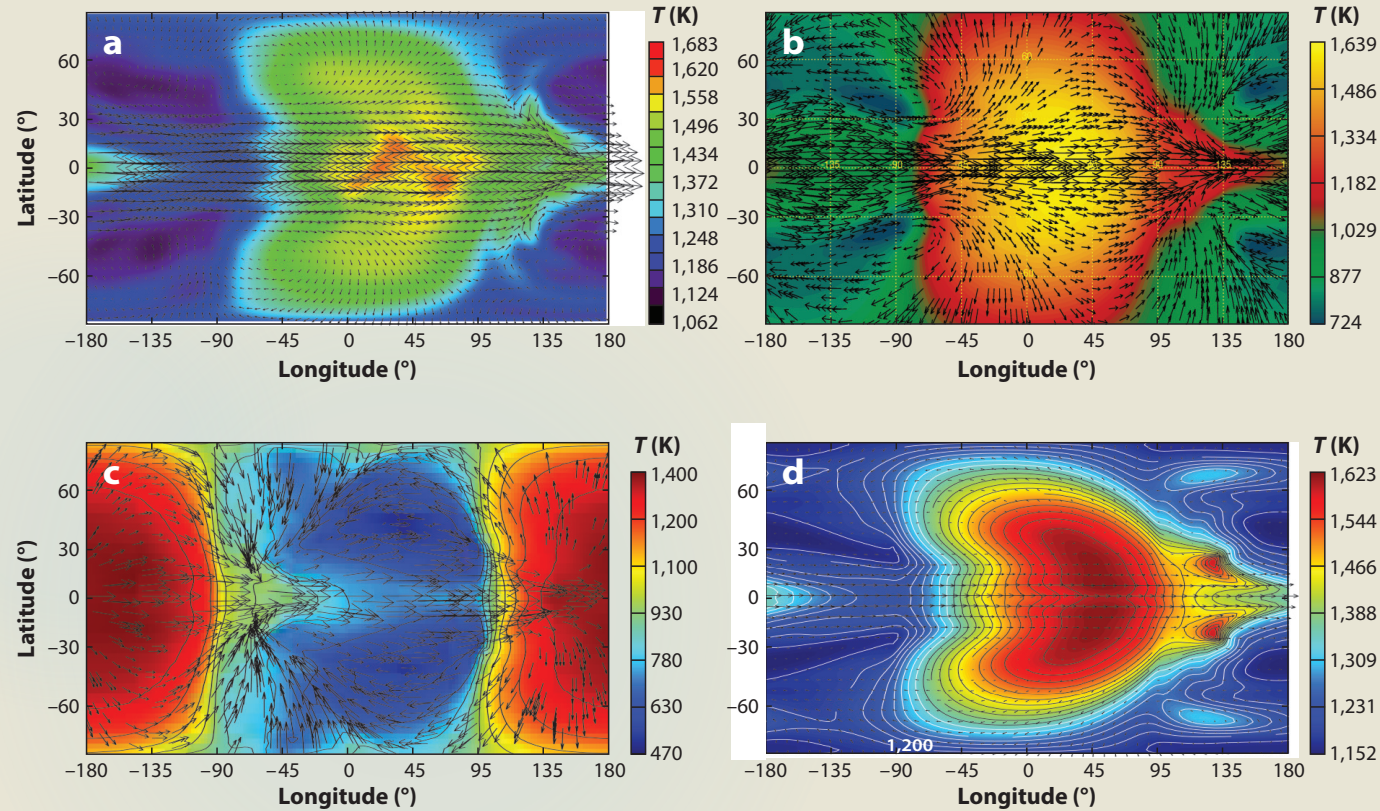


Knutson et al. 2007

Substellar point

# I. Observations and simulations

## Simulations

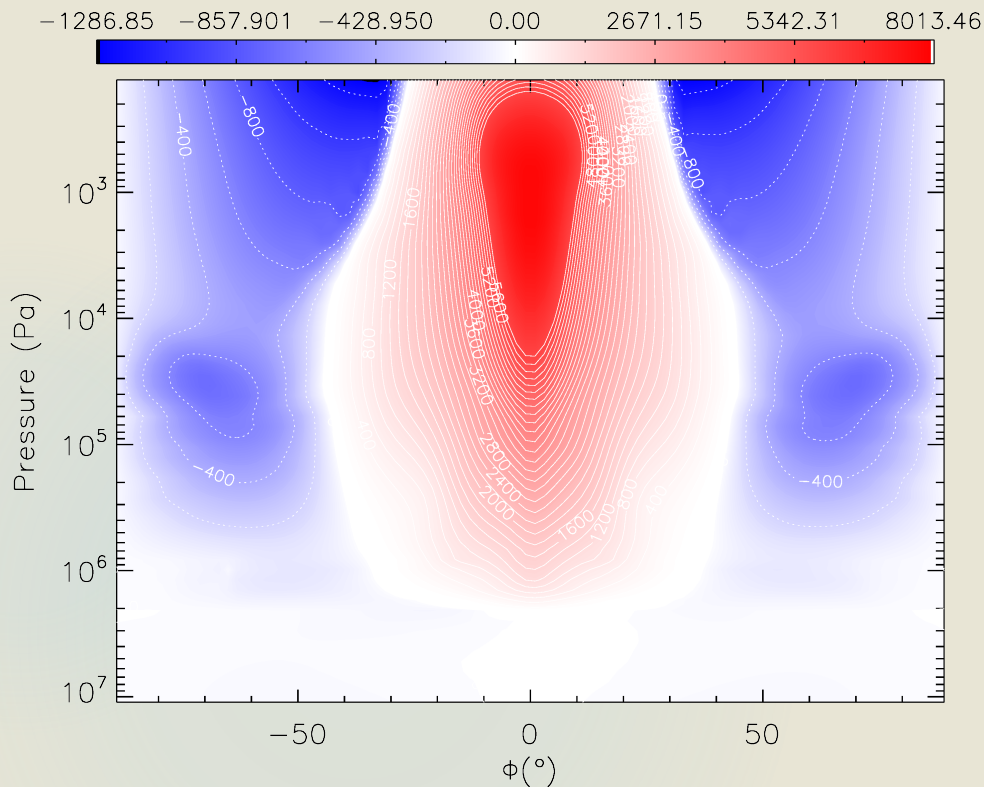


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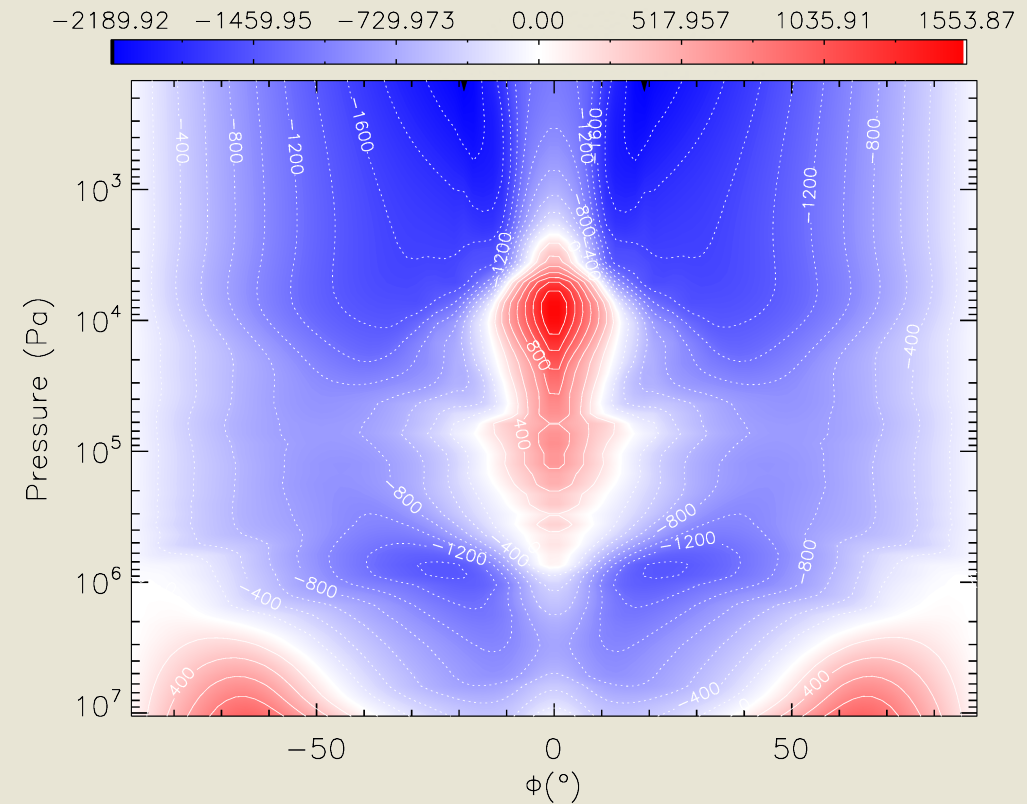


# I. Observations and simulations

## Robustness of superrotation



Mayne, Debras et al. 2017

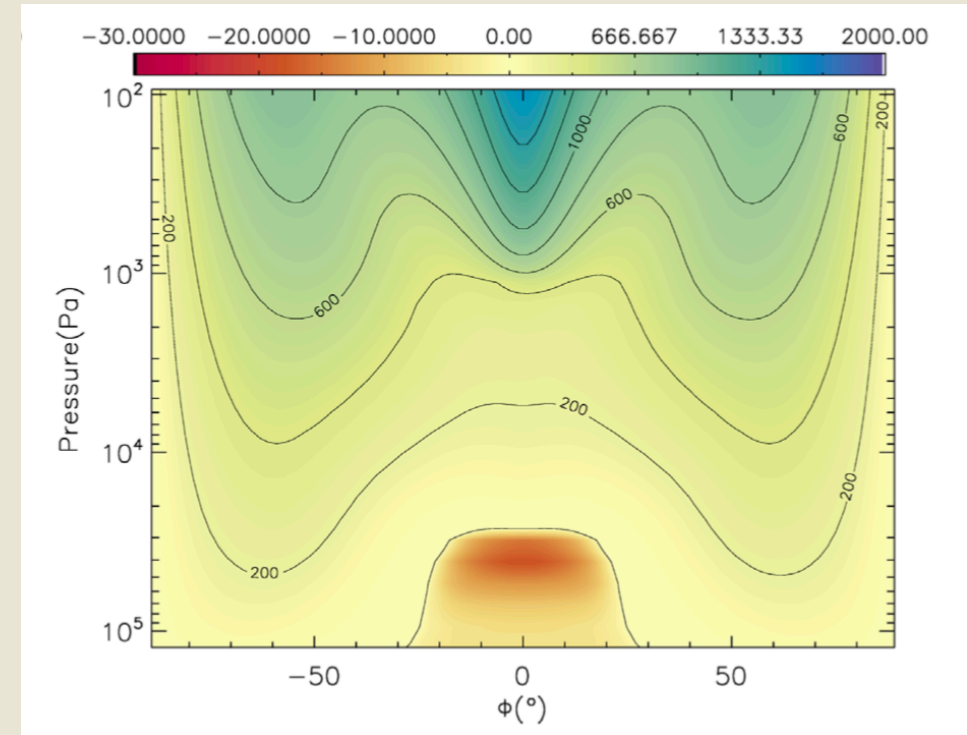
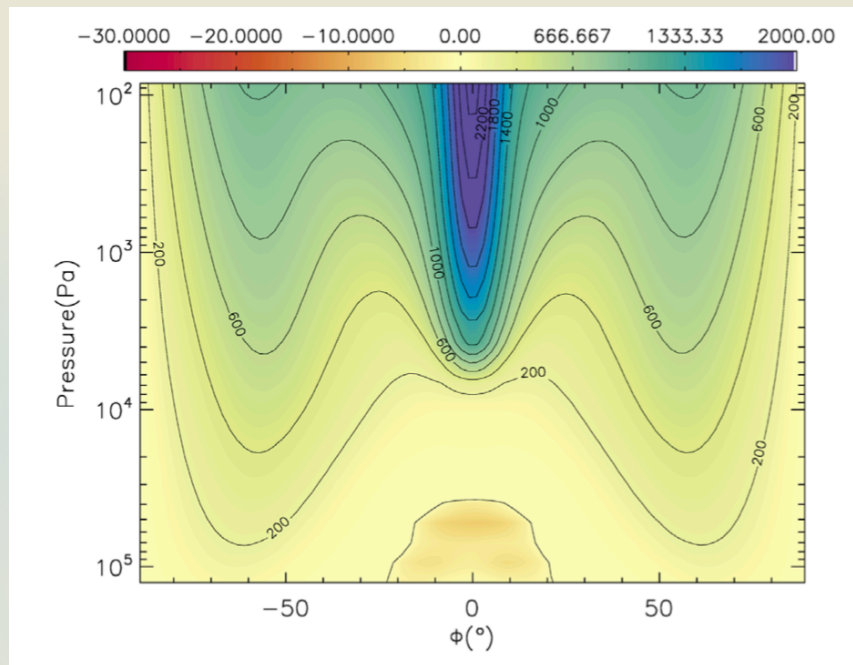


**What is the physical origin of superrotation on hot Jupiters ?**

# I. Observations and simulations

Primitive equations ?

Mayne et al 2014: primitive equations hot Jupiters



Mayne et al. 2019: what about warm Neptunes ?

**Can we model warm Neptunes/super Earths with the primitive equations ?**

# II. Warm Neptunes

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## Primitive equations

Much faster computationally than full equations.

Four approximations, based on the Earth's shallow atmosphere/oceans:

- 1) Hydrostatic balance. Never a problem in our simulations.
- 2) Shallow fluid approximation:  $r \approx R$ ,  $\partial/\partial r \approx \partial/\partial z$
- 3) Traditional approximation: buoyancy dominates Coriolis. No latitudinal component of rotation
- 4) Gravity is constant with height.

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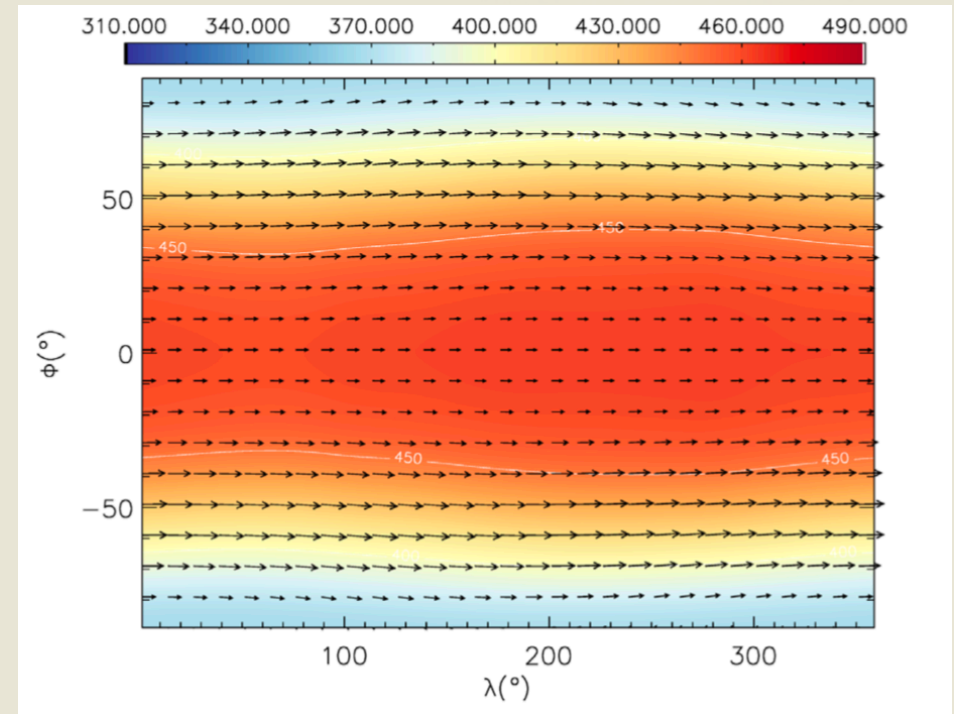
## Assumptions

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Goal: estimate the validity of  $w \ll v \tan(\varphi)$

Analytical estimates based on four assumptions:

- 1) The atmosphere is globally superrotating
- 2)  $\Delta T \ll \Delta T_{\downarrow \text{forcing}}$
- 3)  $V$  is only due to Coriolis
- 4) Incompressible hydrostatic atmosphere



0.3 bars

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# II. Warm Neptunes

## Results

$$U \sim \sqrt{3/2 \pi R_p \mathcal{R} \Delta T_{\text{forcing}} / \tau_{\text{rad}}} \sim 1400 \text{ m.s}^{-1}$$

$$W \sim H/L \sqrt{3/2 \pi R_p \mathcal{R} \Delta T_{\text{forcing}} / \tau_{\text{rad}}}$$

V

$$\tan(\varphi) \sim \pi/2 R_p \Omega \sin^2(\varphi) / \cos(\varphi)$$

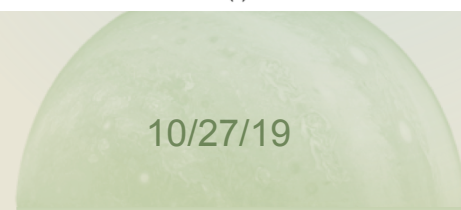
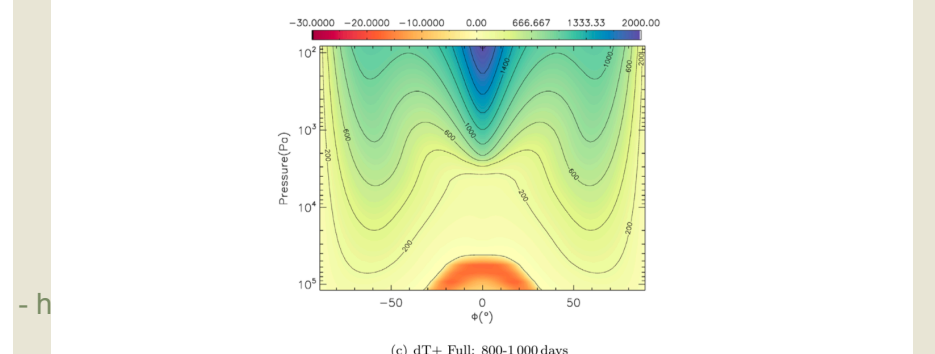
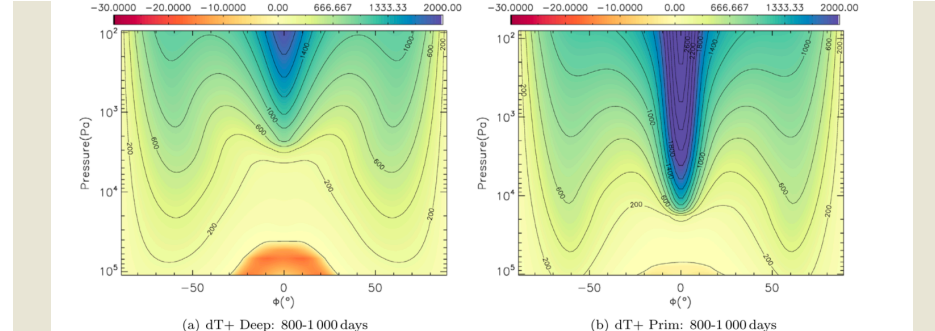
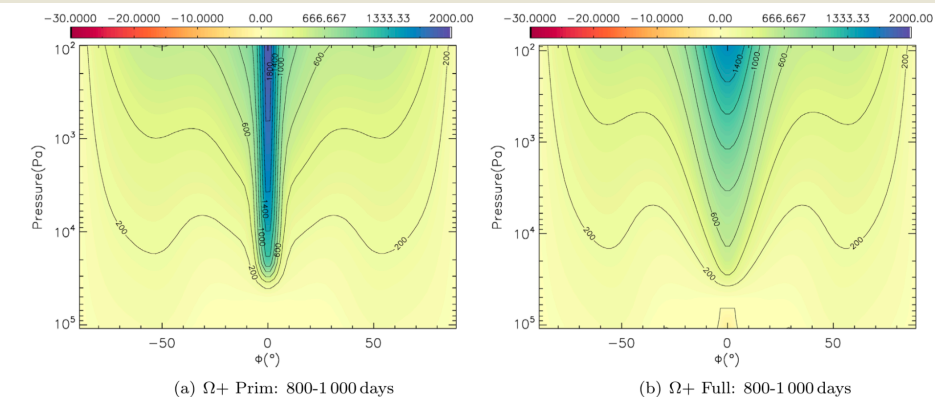
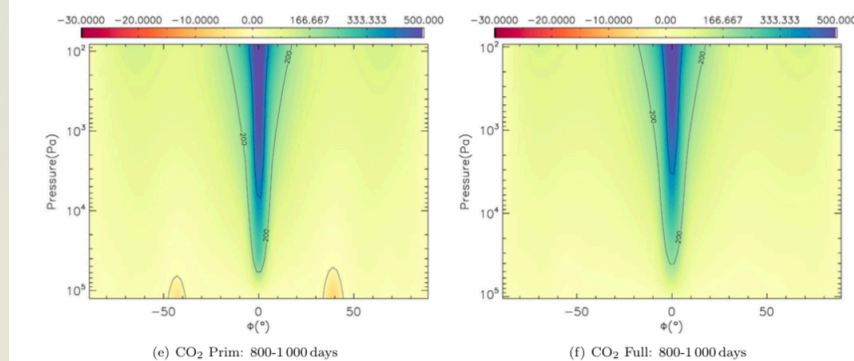
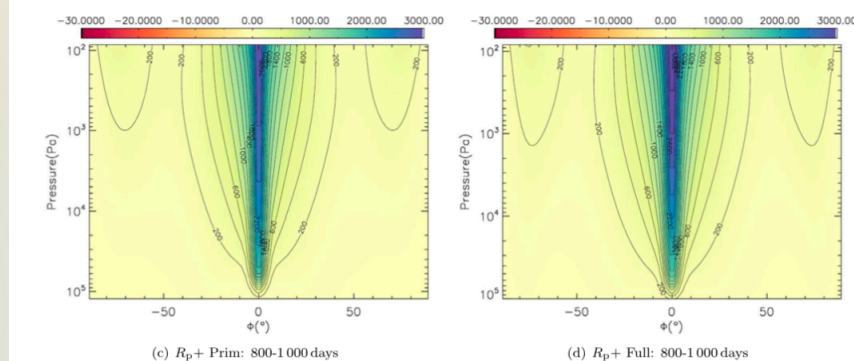
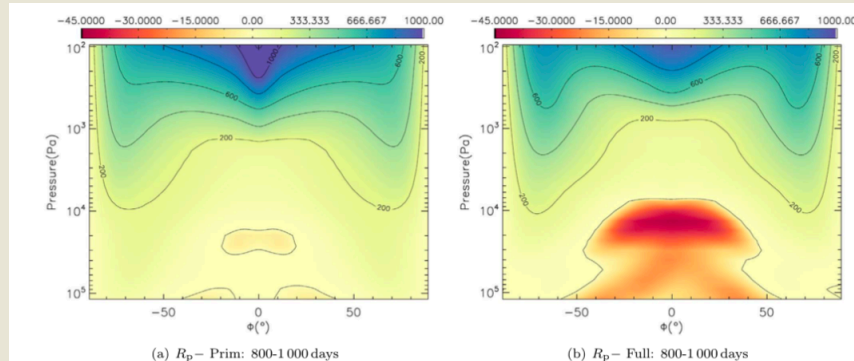
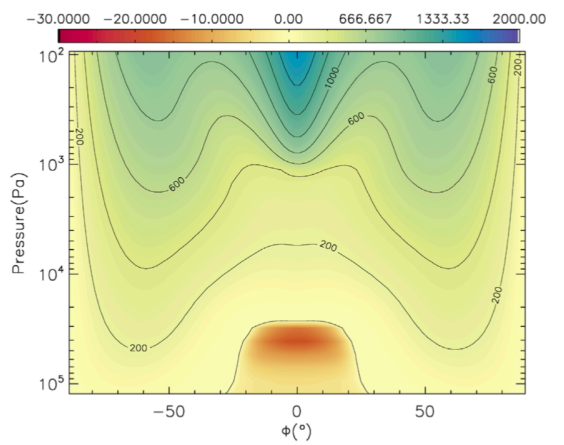
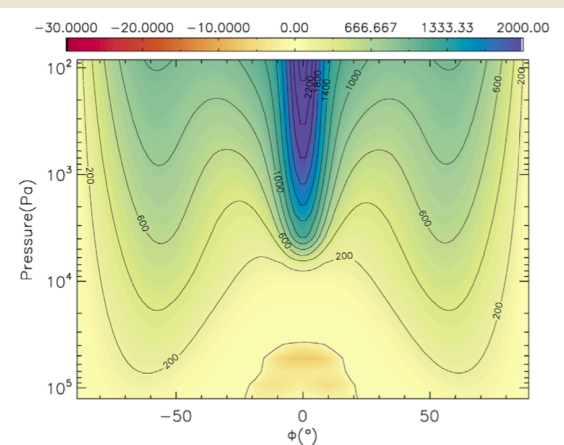
Increases with: radius, forcing  
Decreases with; molecular weight

Increases with: radius, rotation rate

No dependence on gravity

# II. Warm Neptunes

## Verification

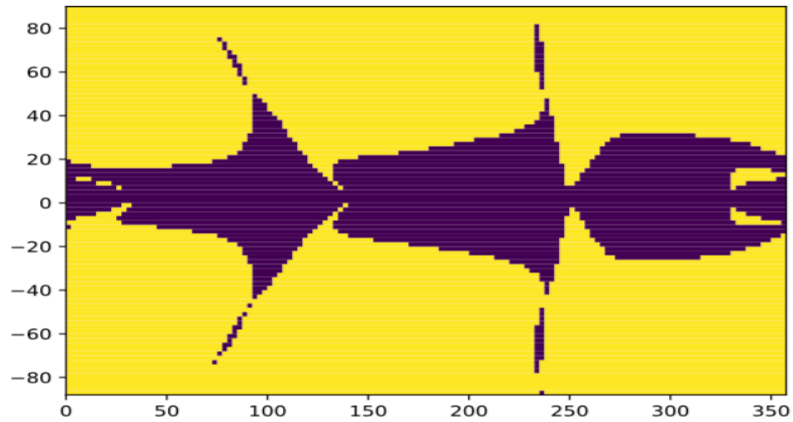


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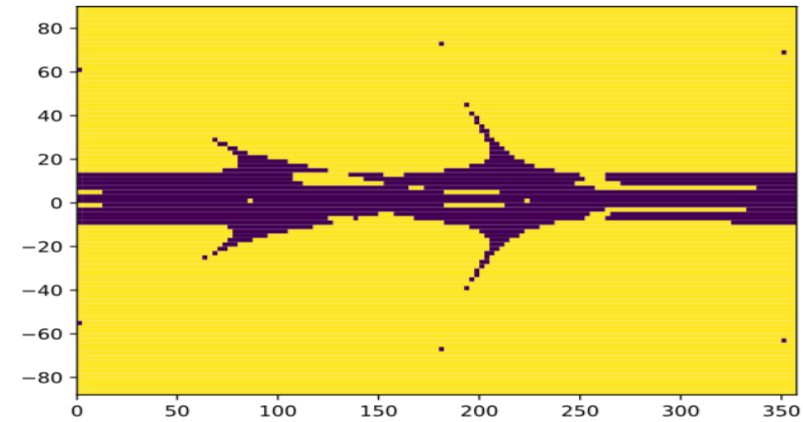
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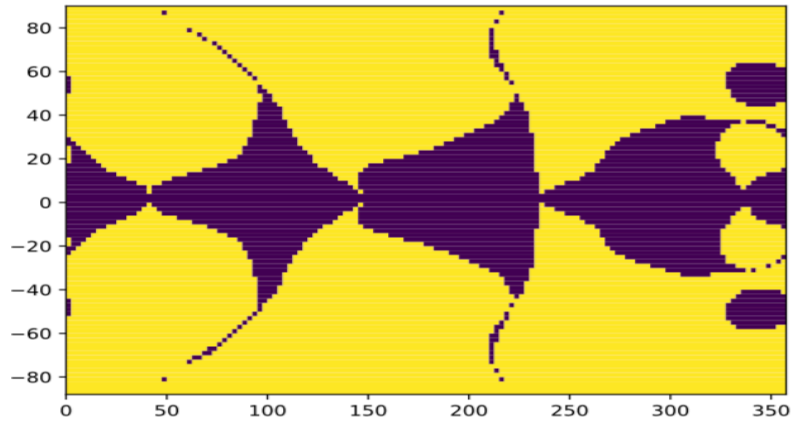
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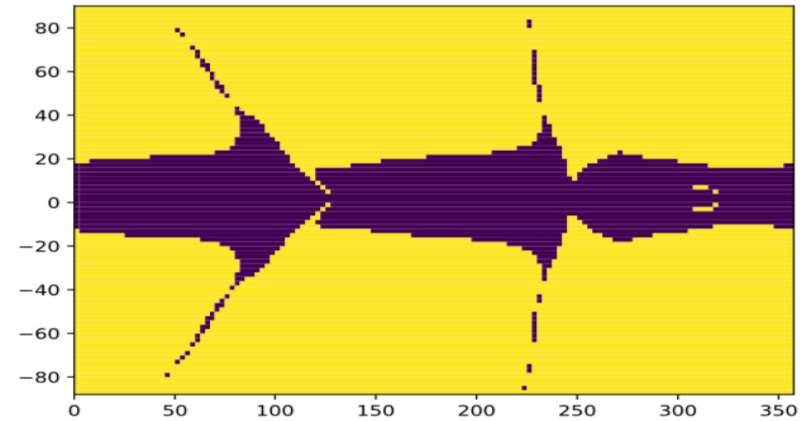
(a) Std Full



(b)  $R_p+$  Full



(c) dT+ Full



(d)  $\Omega+$  Full

# II. Warm Neptunes

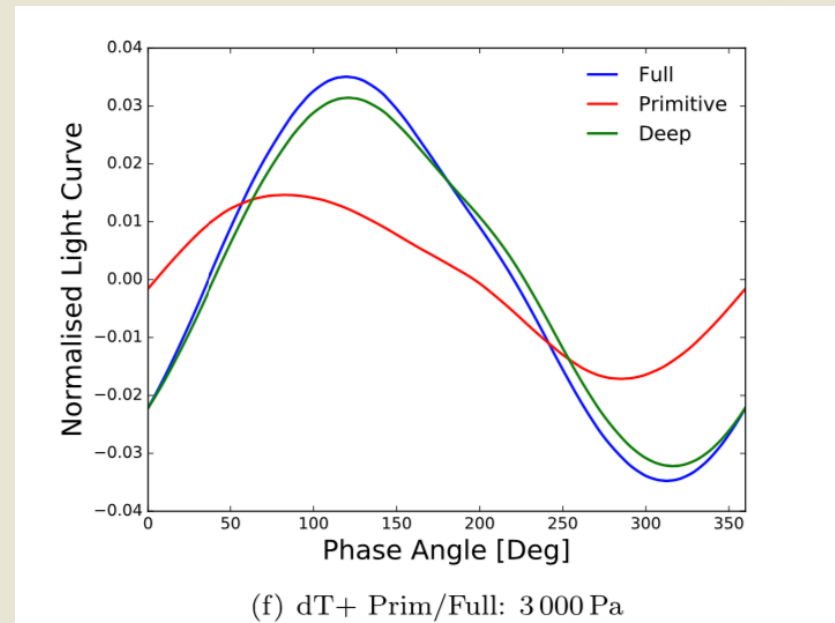
## Conclusions

Primitive equations: large planet moderately forced with heavy molecular weight

Counter intuitive: large rotation rate.

In the limit of global superrotation.

Impact: phase curves.





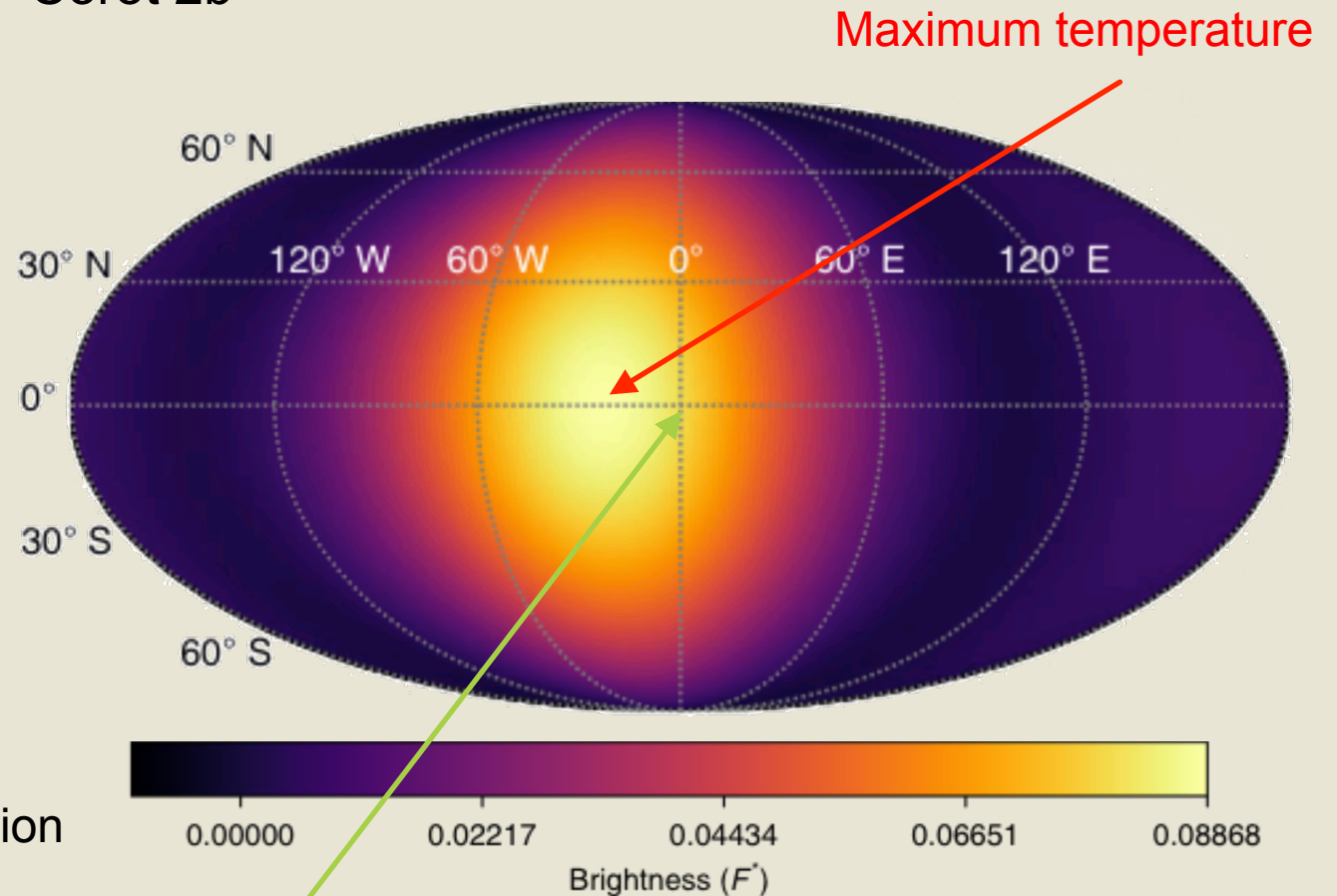
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Superrotation is ubiquitous in numerical simulations and detected indirectly.

BUT: Corot 2b

Need to understand physically superrotation

Corot 2b



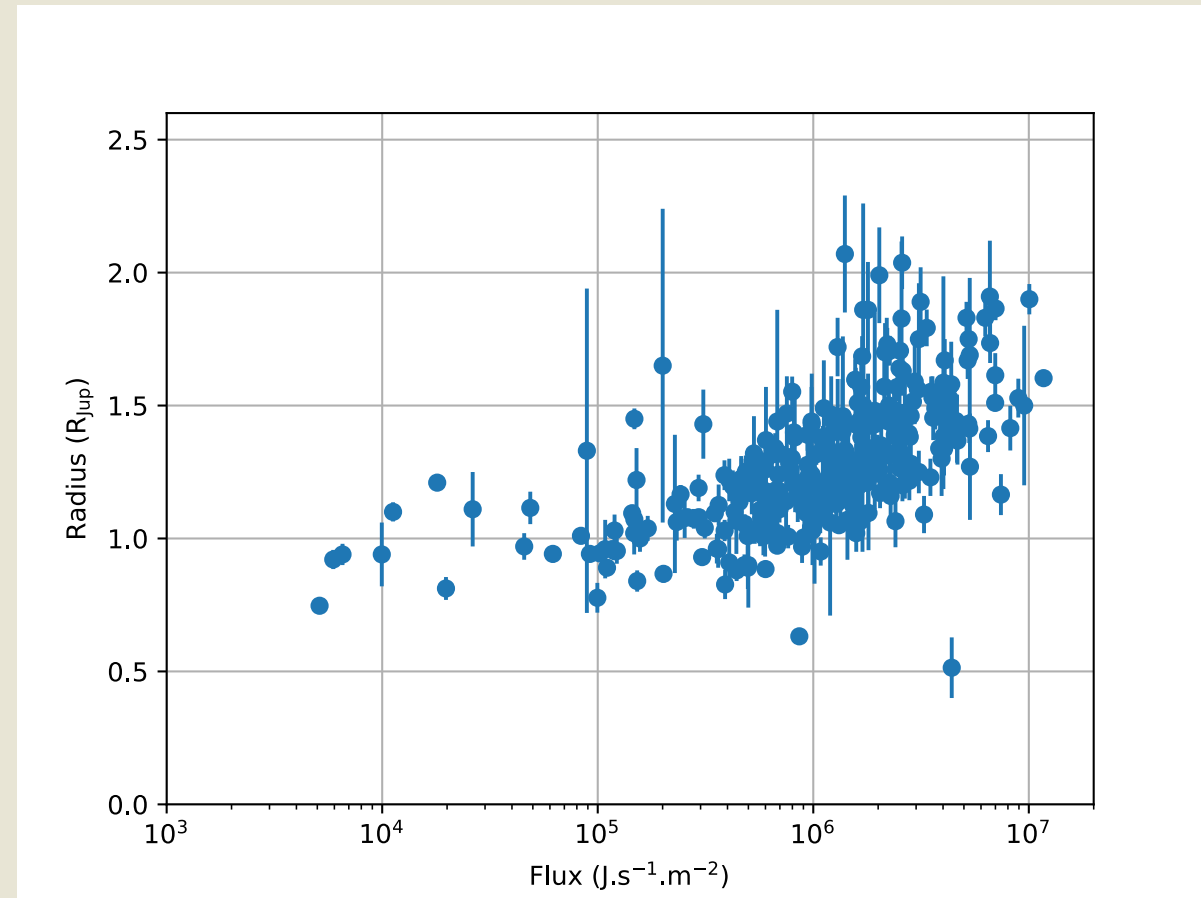
Dang et al. 2018

# III. Hot Jupiters

## The inflated radius

Simple evolution models (Guillot et al 1996 + Goukenleuque et al 2000):  
HD209458b bigger than expected

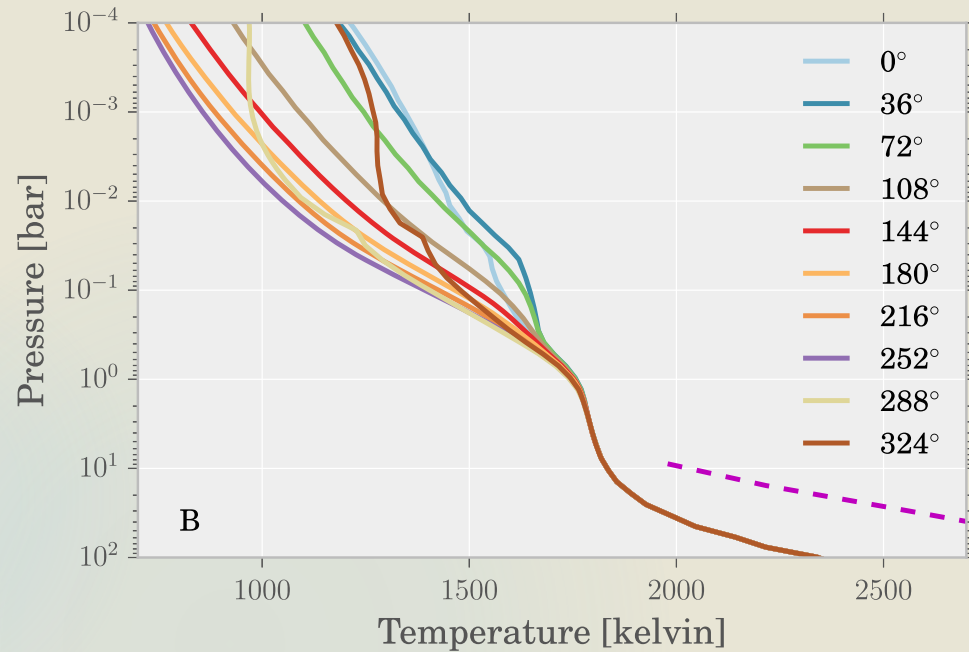
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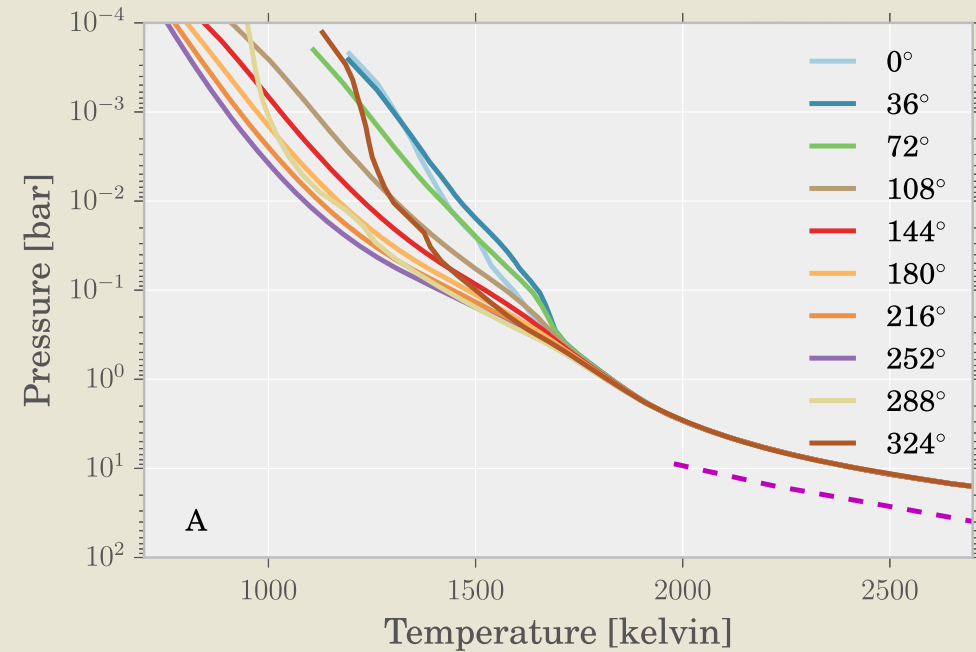
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## Deep thermodynamic profiles

Tremblin et al. 2017



1D, no winds



2D, vertical winds

Internal temperature profile hotter:  
hot interior because of **equatorial superrotation**

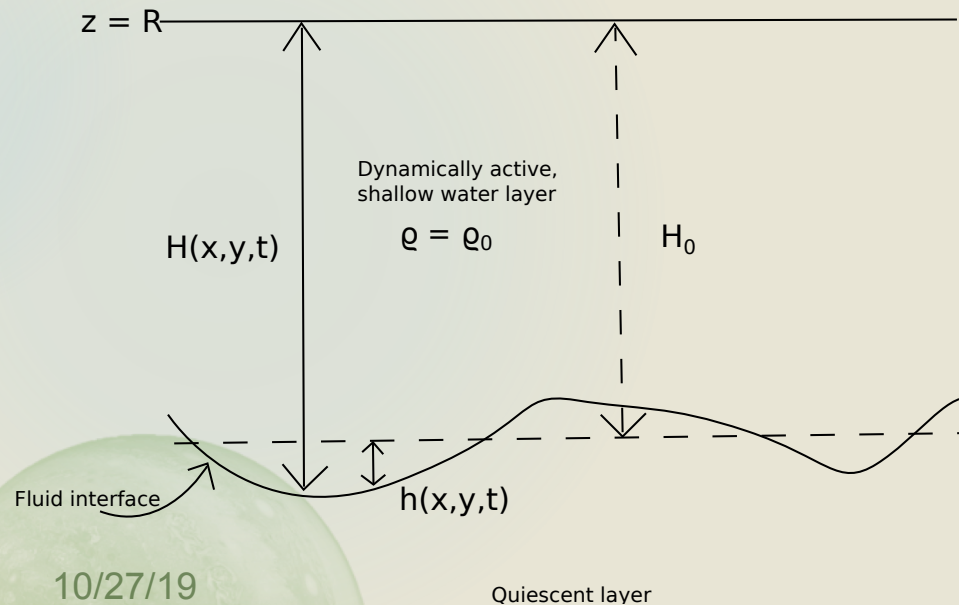
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Showman Polvani 2011

Solar system: superrotation sometimes associated with propagation and dissipation of Rossby waves

Hot Jupiters: Rossby deformation radius  $\sim$  planet size

Beta plane shallow water



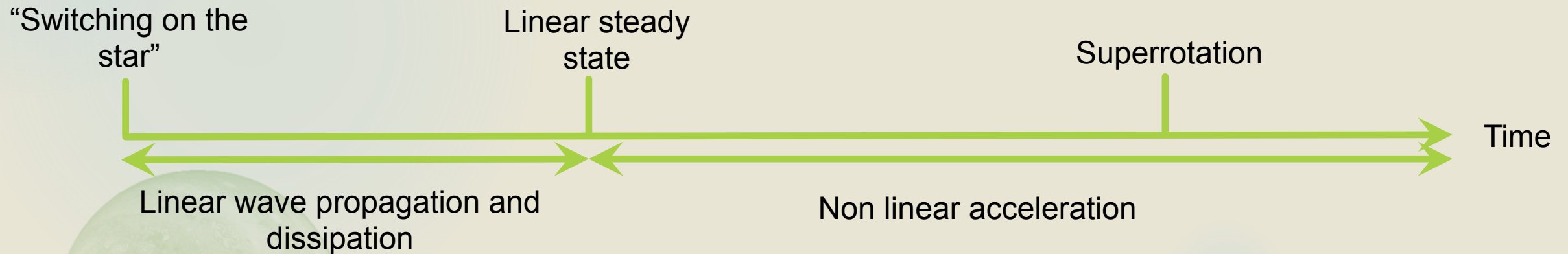
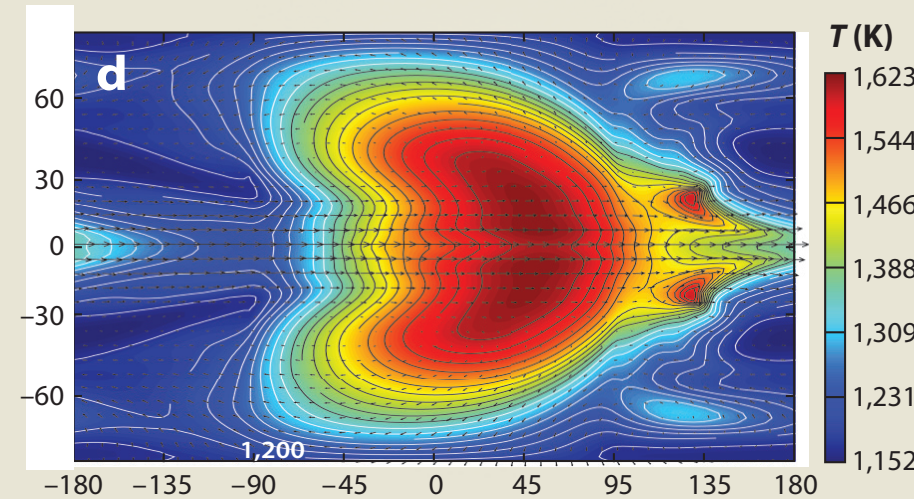
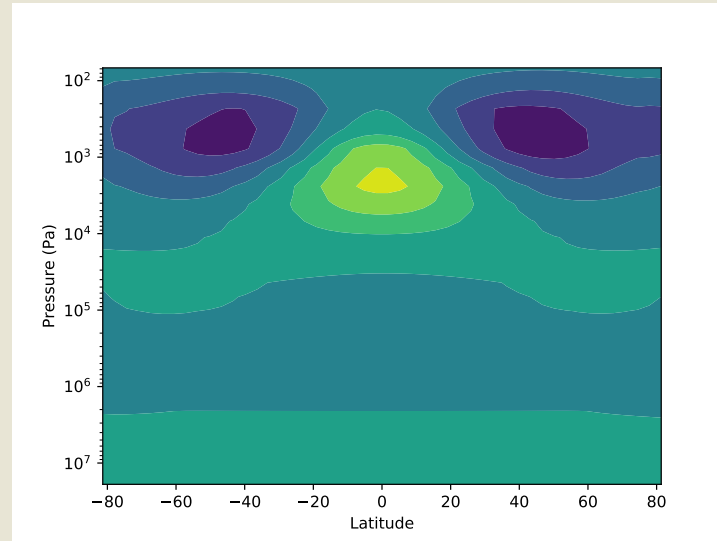
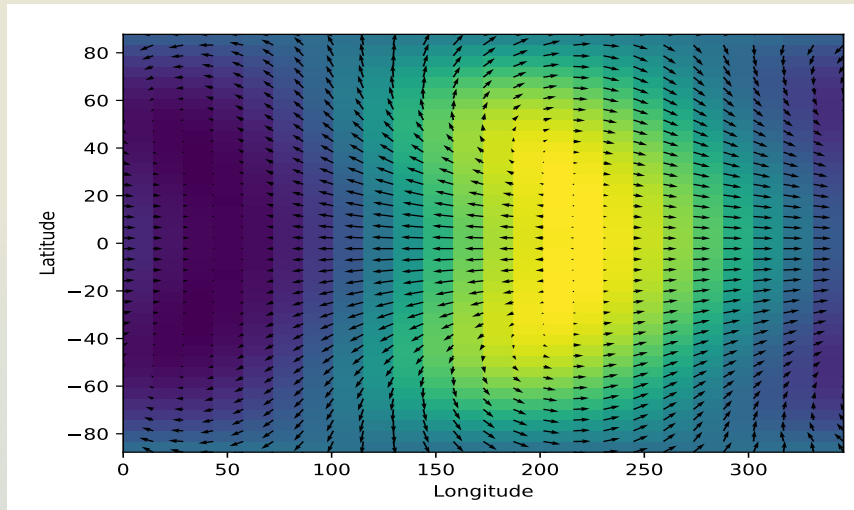
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - yv + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \frac{u}{\tau} \downarrow drag = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + yu + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} + \frac{v}{\tau} \downarrow drag = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{h}{\tau} \downarrow rad = Q.$$

# III. Hot Jupiters

Timeline from SP11

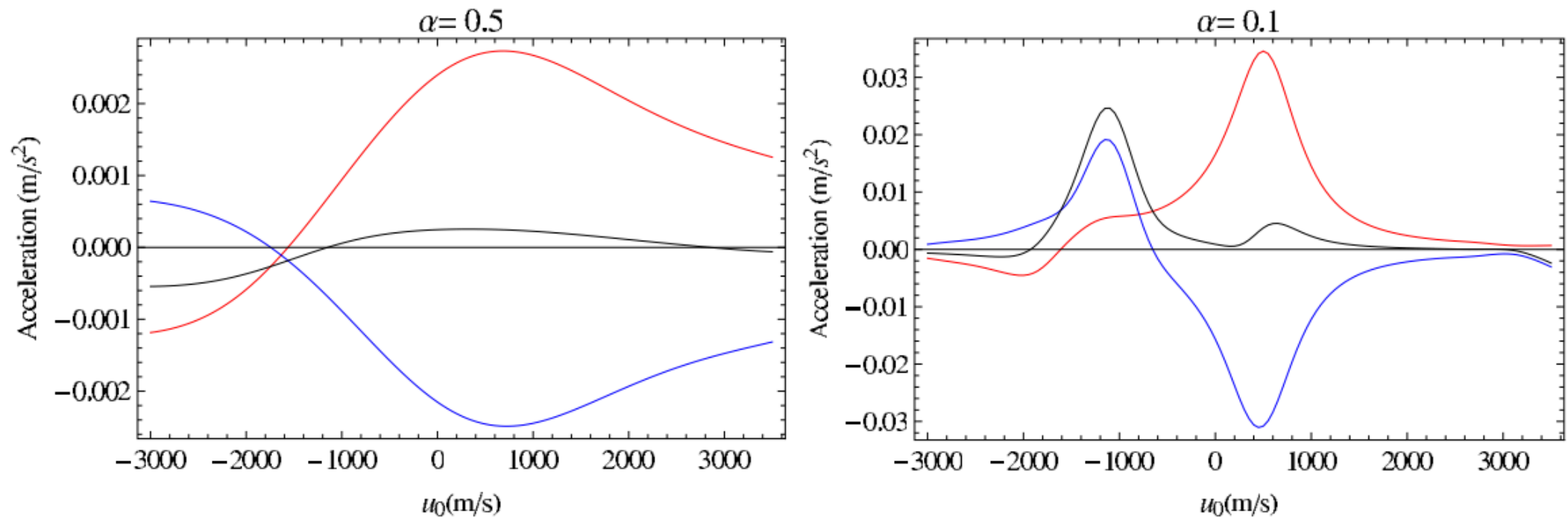


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## Superrotation in hot Jupiters

Equilibration of the jet: sequence of linear steady states, Tsai et al. 2014. Vertical tilt of the wave



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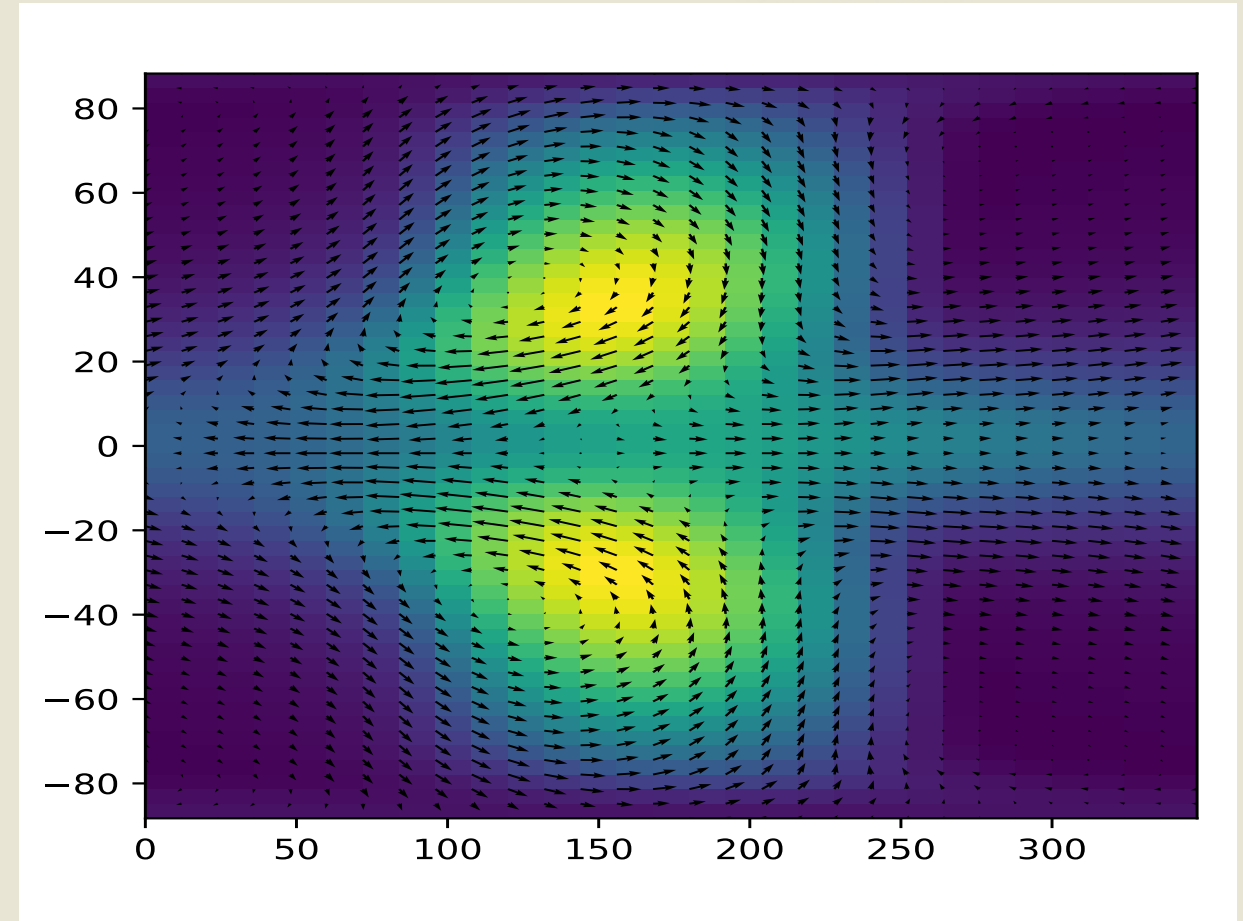
Limits of SP11 and Tsai et al. 2014

Tsai: Need for an initial superrotation followed by slow evolution. Given by SP11 ?

Linear steady state of SP11 with appropriate  $\tau_{\downarrow drag}$  and  $\tau_{\downarrow rad}$  :  
(komacek & showman 2016)

Linear steady state never reached

Need for time dependent considerations



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# III. Hot Jupiters

Debras et al.2019, accepted

Linear time dependent solution:

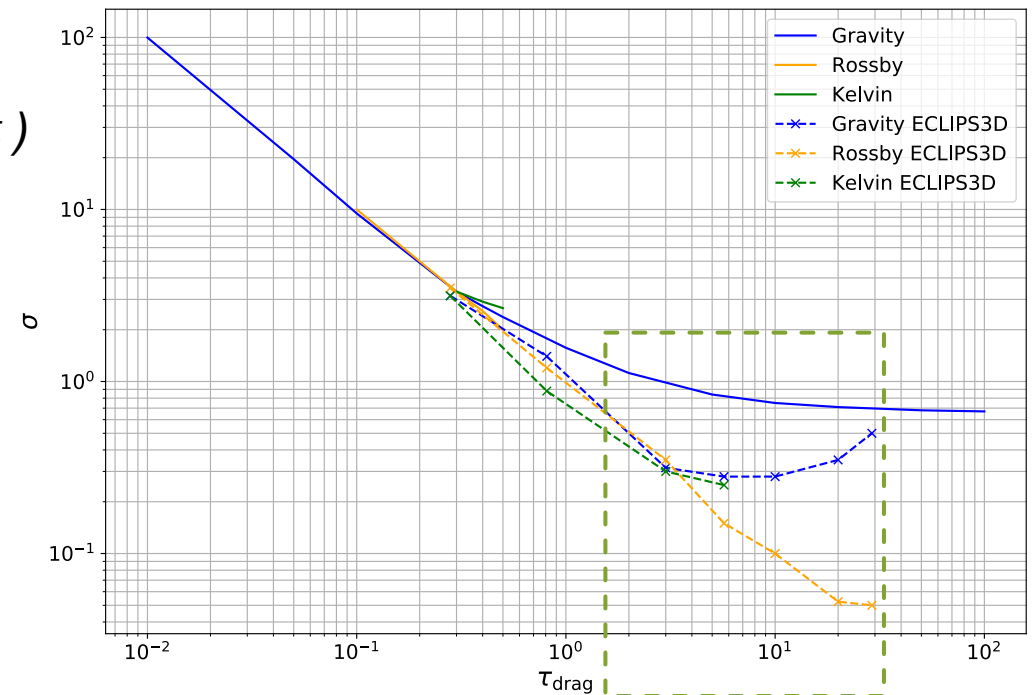
$$X_{\downarrow n} F = \sum_n \frac{q_{\downarrow n} X_{\downarrow n}}{\sigma_{\downarrow n} - i \omega_{\downarrow n}} (1 - e^{(i \omega_{\downarrow n} - \sigma_{\downarrow n}) t})$$

Steady state dominated by **Rossby** waves

BUT

Limit of short timescales: **Rossby** and **Kelvin** waves with comparable amplitudes

$$X_{\downarrow n} F \approx \sum_n q_{\downarrow n} X_{\downarrow n} t$$

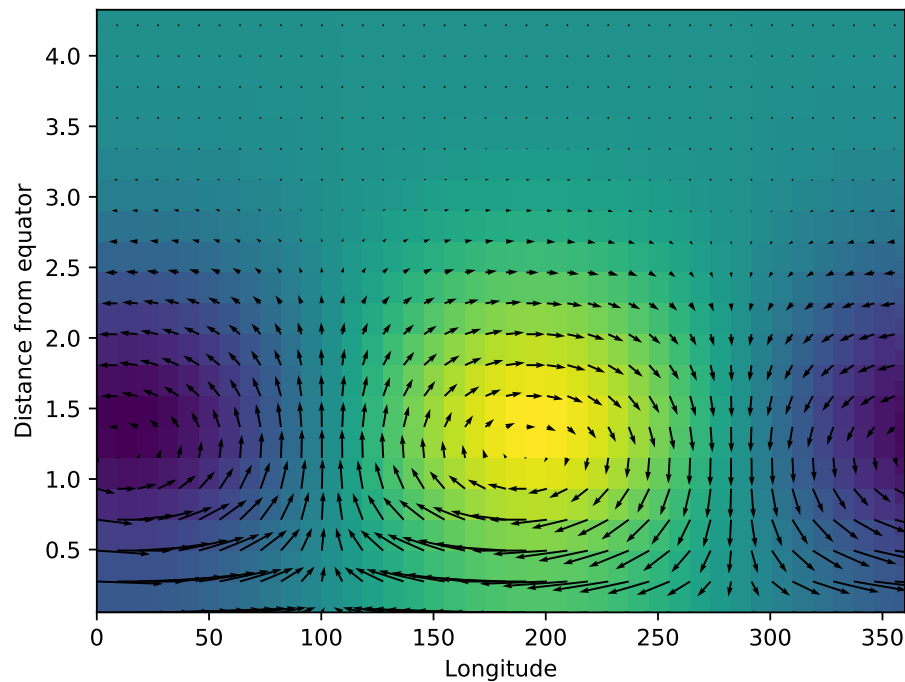




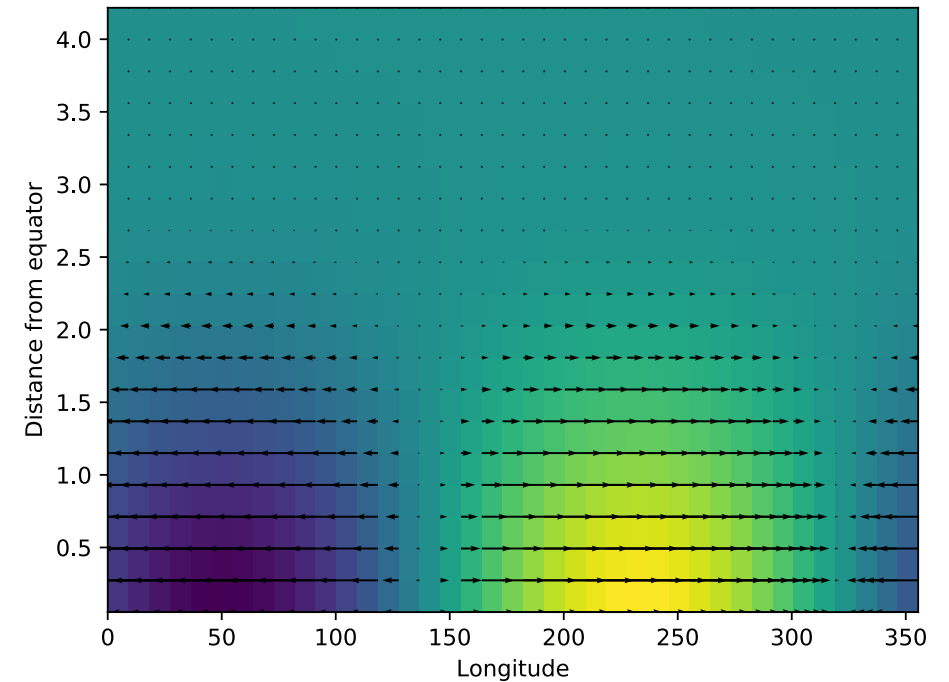
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## Rossby and Kelvin waves

**Rossby:** ~ zero pressure at the equator, rotating winds



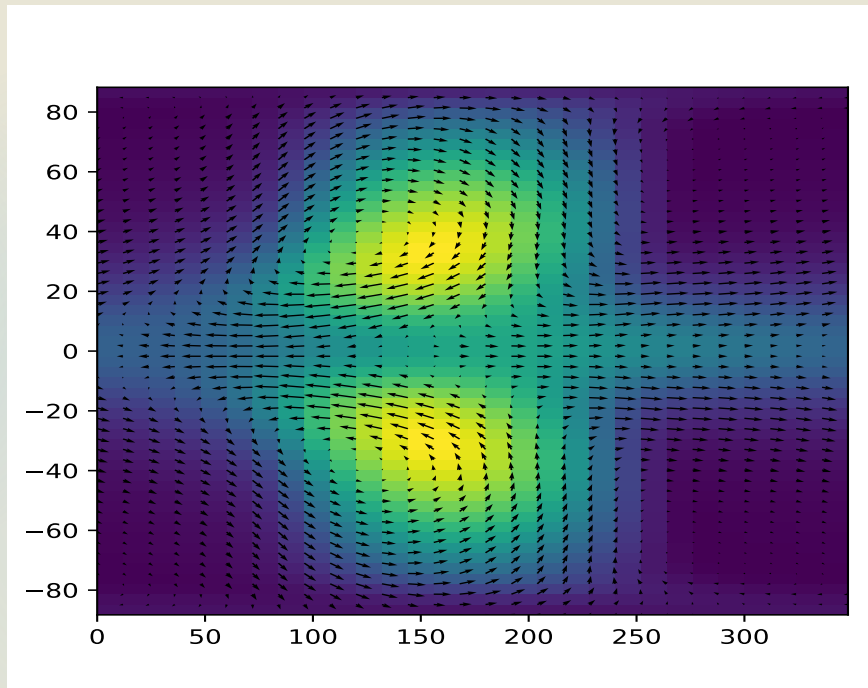
**Kelvin:** no meridional winds, maximum pressure at the equator



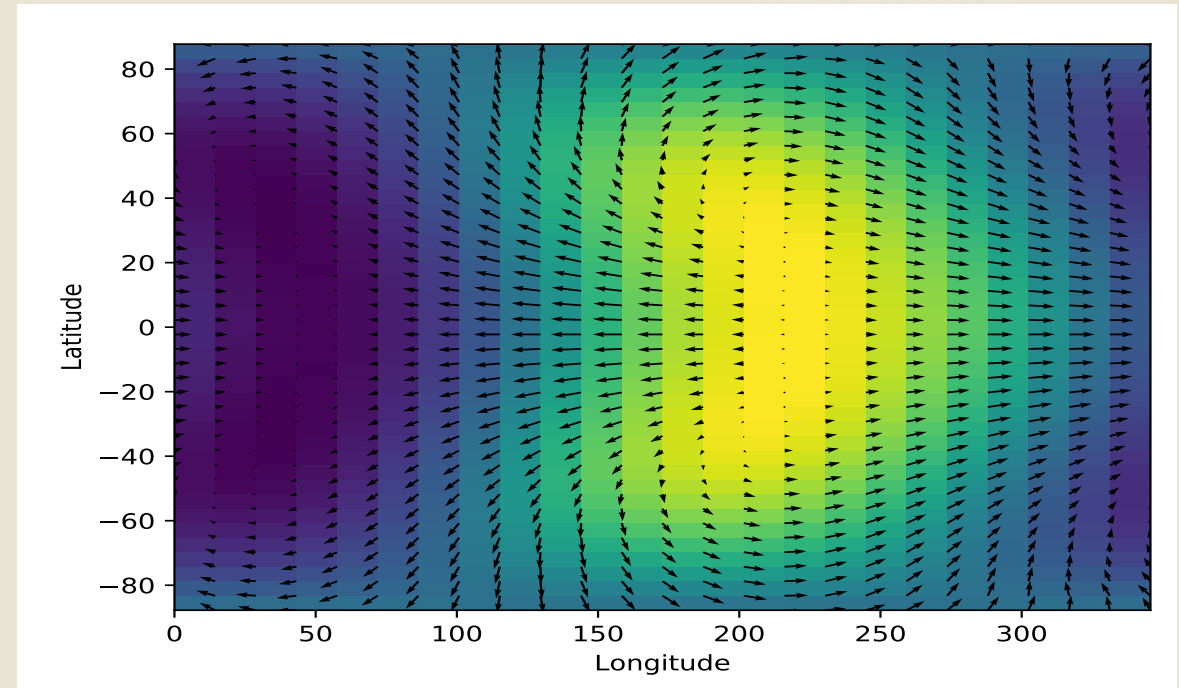
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Intermediate and steady linear state

Steady: **Rossby** dominated

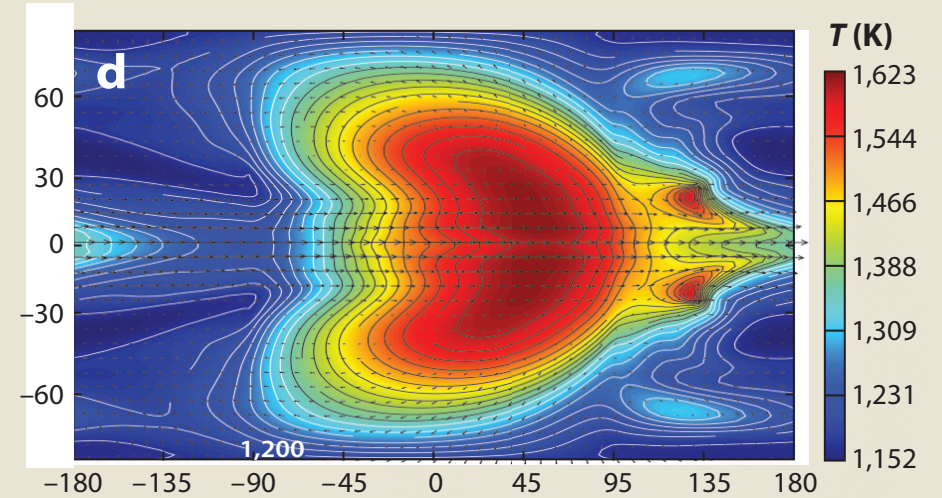
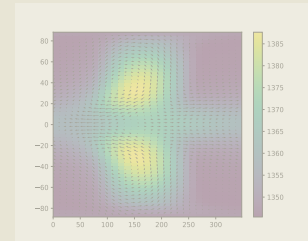
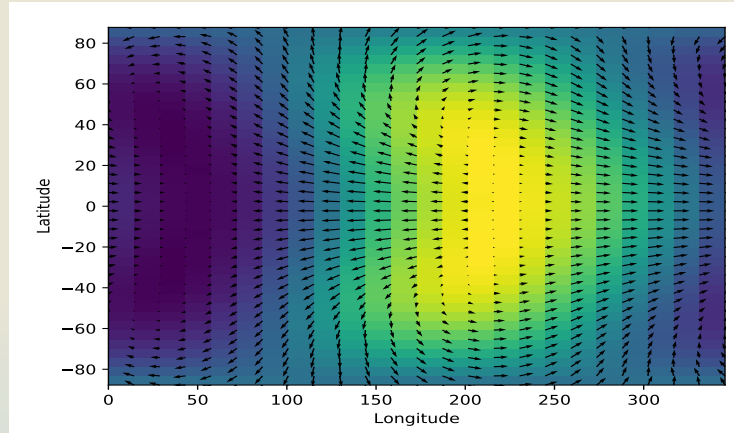


Short timescales state: mix **R-K**,  
Similar to SP11 steady state



# III. Hot Jupiters

More accurate timeline



“Switching on the star”

$U > U_{max}$

Linear steady state

Superrotation

Time

Linear wave propagation and dissipation

Non linear acceleration

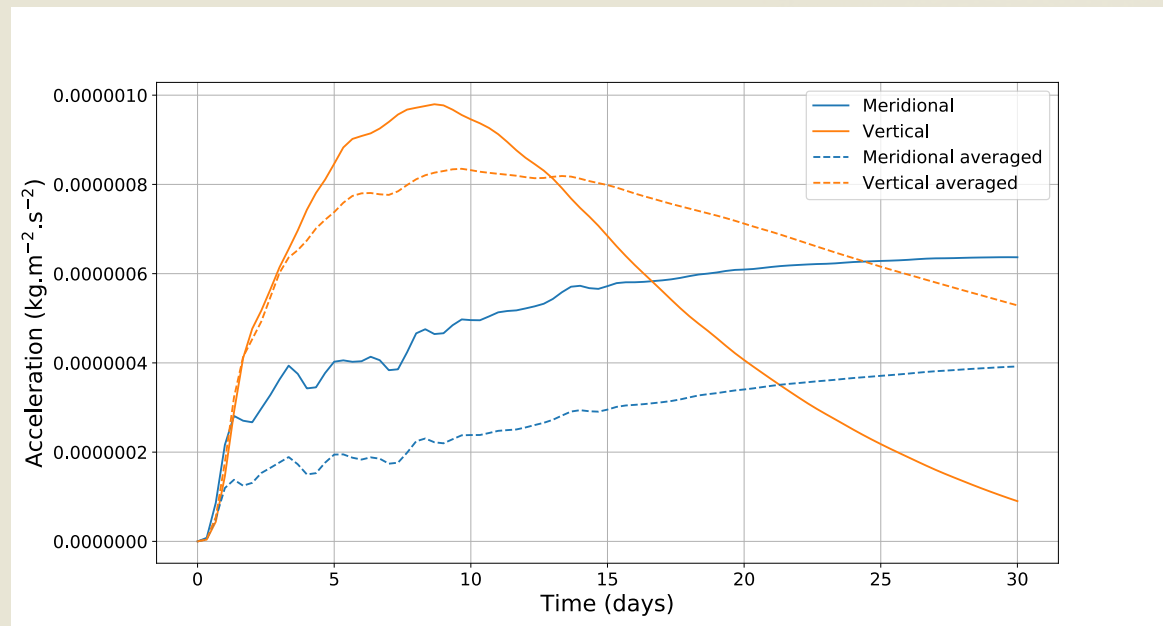
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## Quasi-linear studies and accelerations

Separation of linear and non linear considerations too simple

Quasi linear/statistical studies ? Srinivasan & Young 2012, Bouchet et al. 2013, Bakas et al. 2015

Vertical accelerations:



# Summary

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## **Can we model warm Neptunes/super Earths with the primitive equations ?**

Range of planets where traditional approximation breaks

Analytical priors verified numerically

Strong impact on the comparison with observations

## **What is the physical origin of equatorial superrotation on hot Jupiters ?**

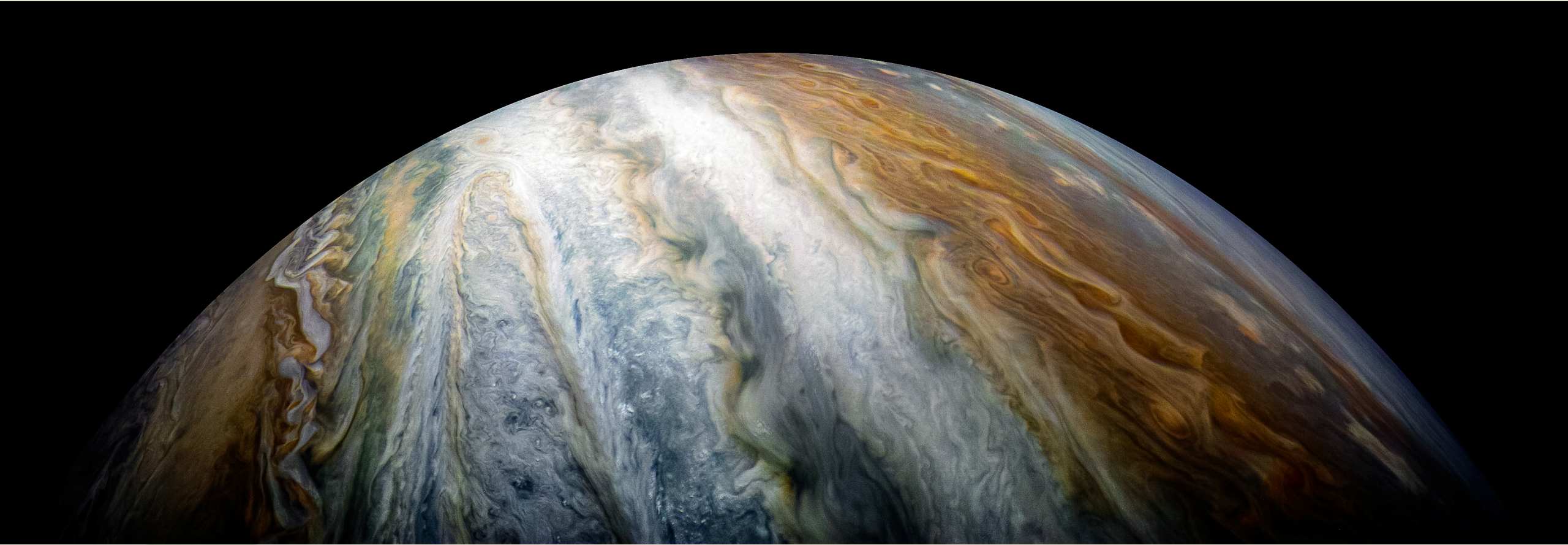
Initial phases of simulated superrotation not perfectly understood

Time dependent linear processes needed to be taken into account

Crucial link between superrotation and interior profiles

# Thank you !

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# Perspectives

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Models compatible with Saturn ?

Love numbers with CMS method

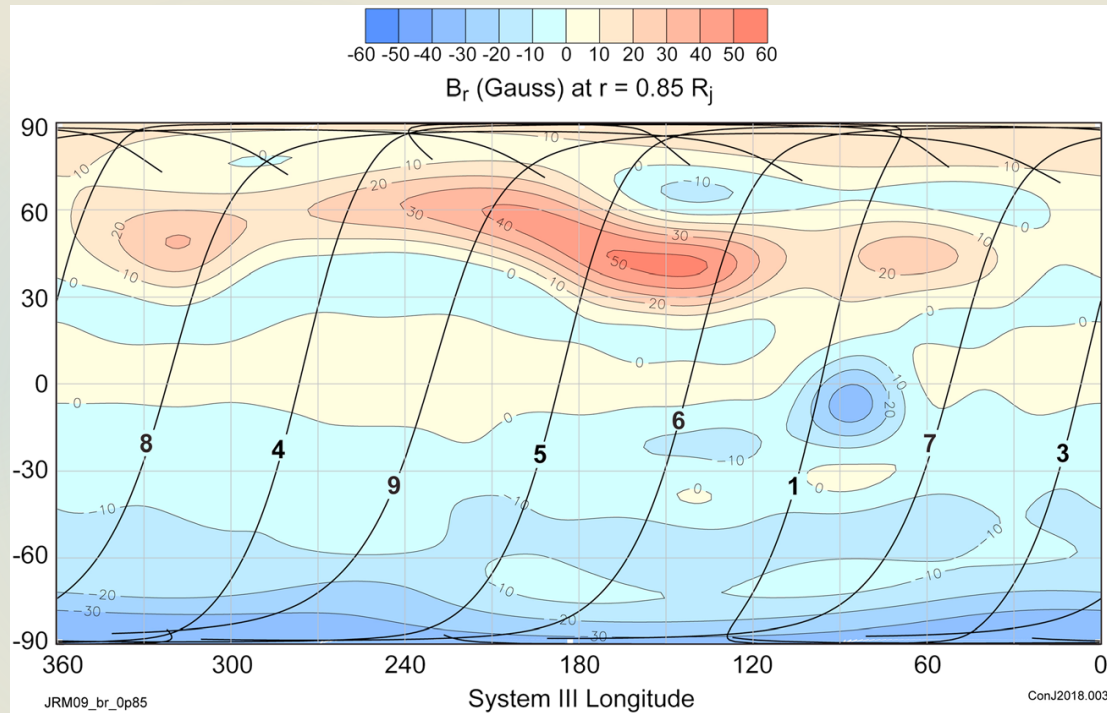
Interior of hot Jupiters: flatter temperature gradient, favorable for semi convection

Radius re-inflation for a non convective planet ?

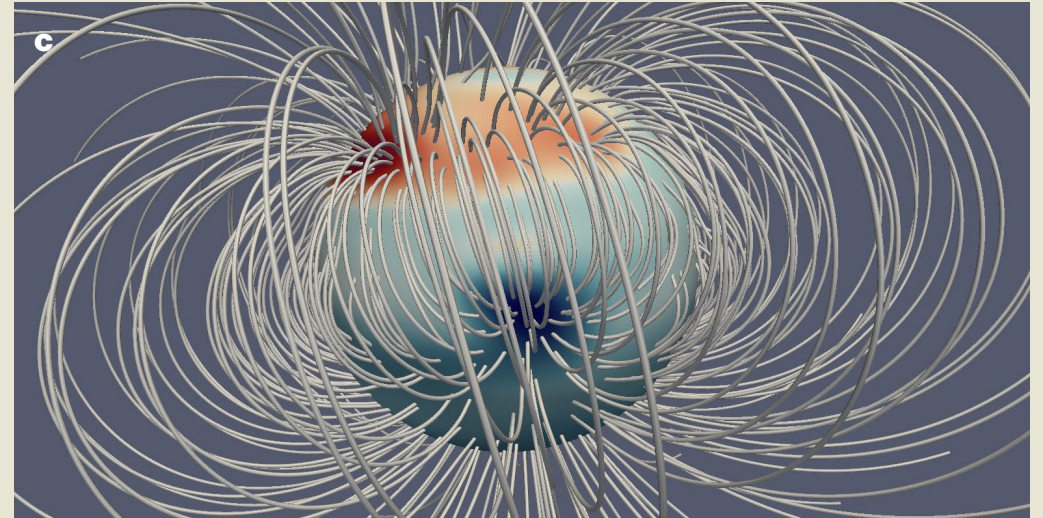
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# Perspectives

Magnetic field: Moore et al. 2018, sign of two dynamo regions ?



Connerney et al. 2018

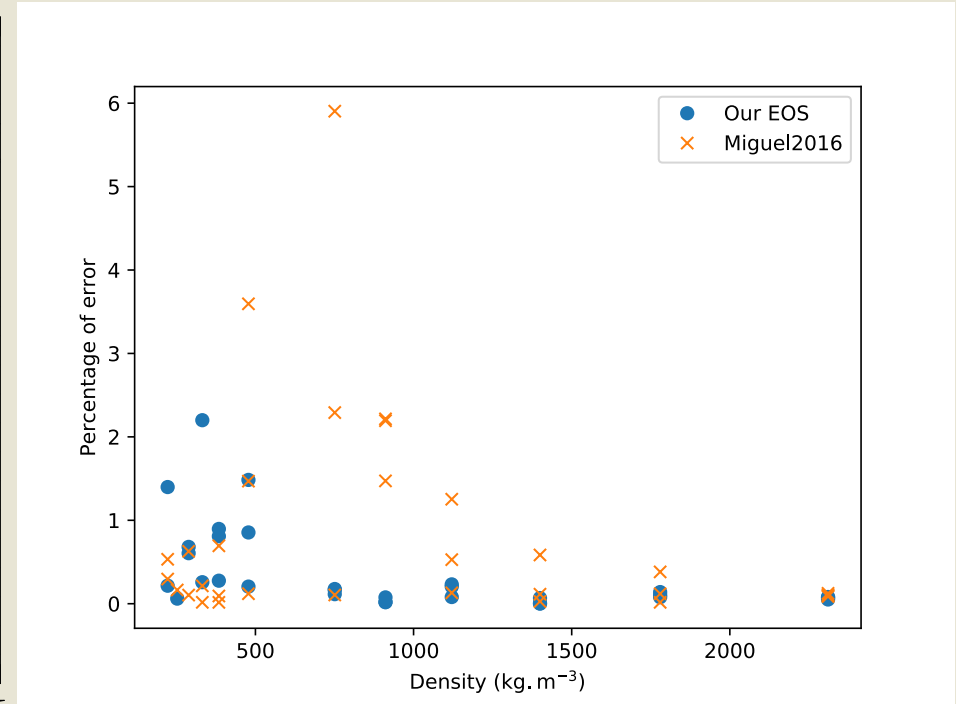
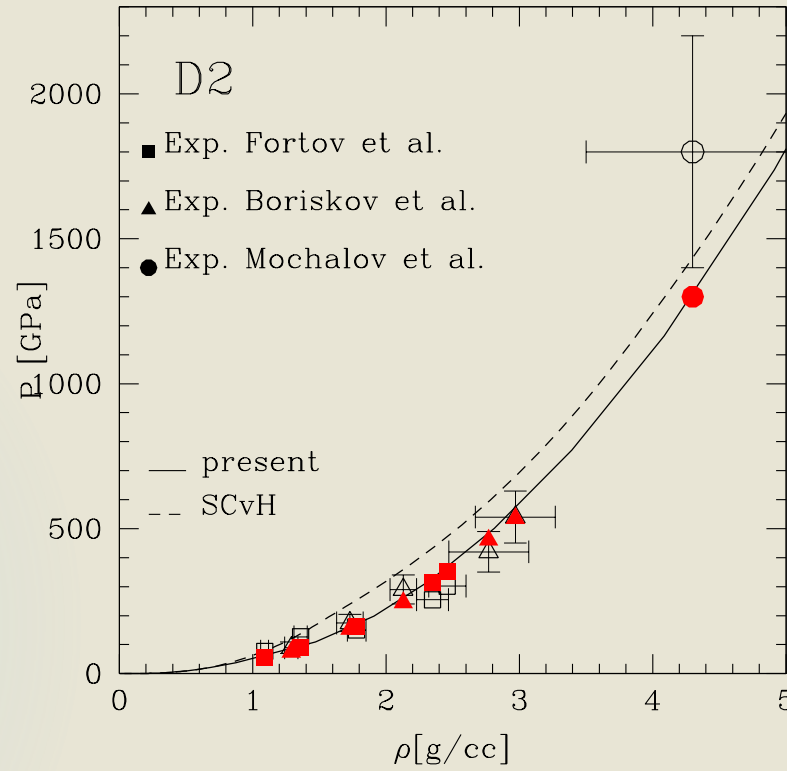
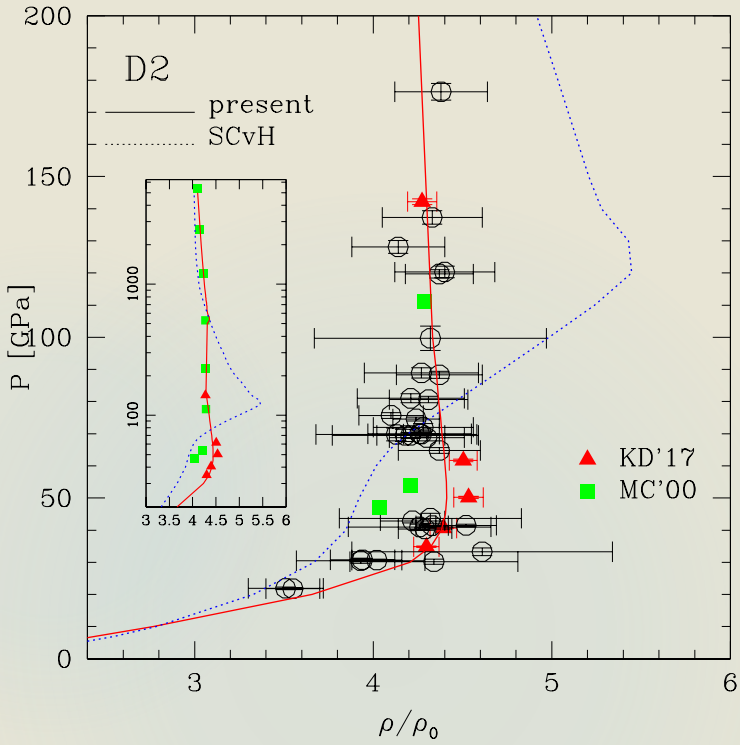


Moore et al. 2018

Post doctoral position in Toulouse



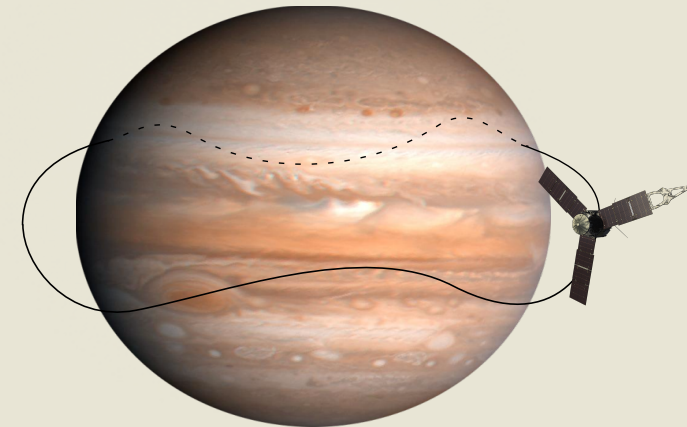
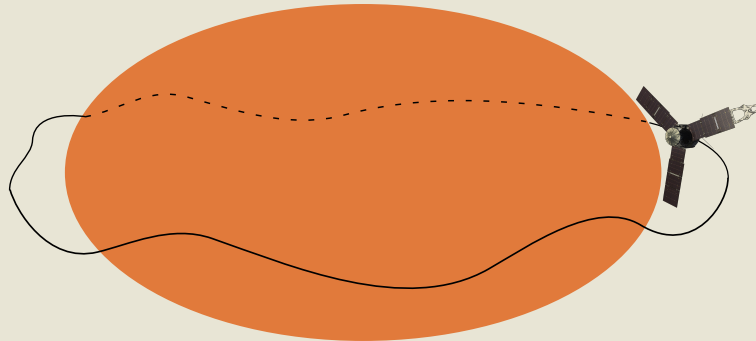
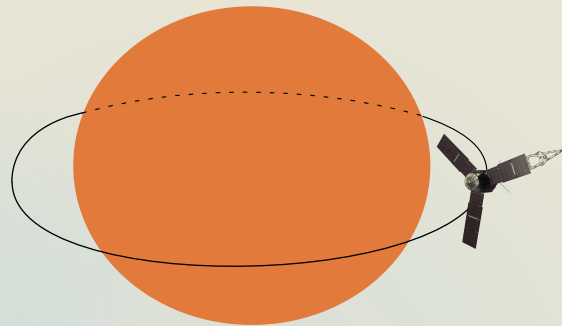
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# I. Global picture of Jupiter

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Why is gravity interesting ?

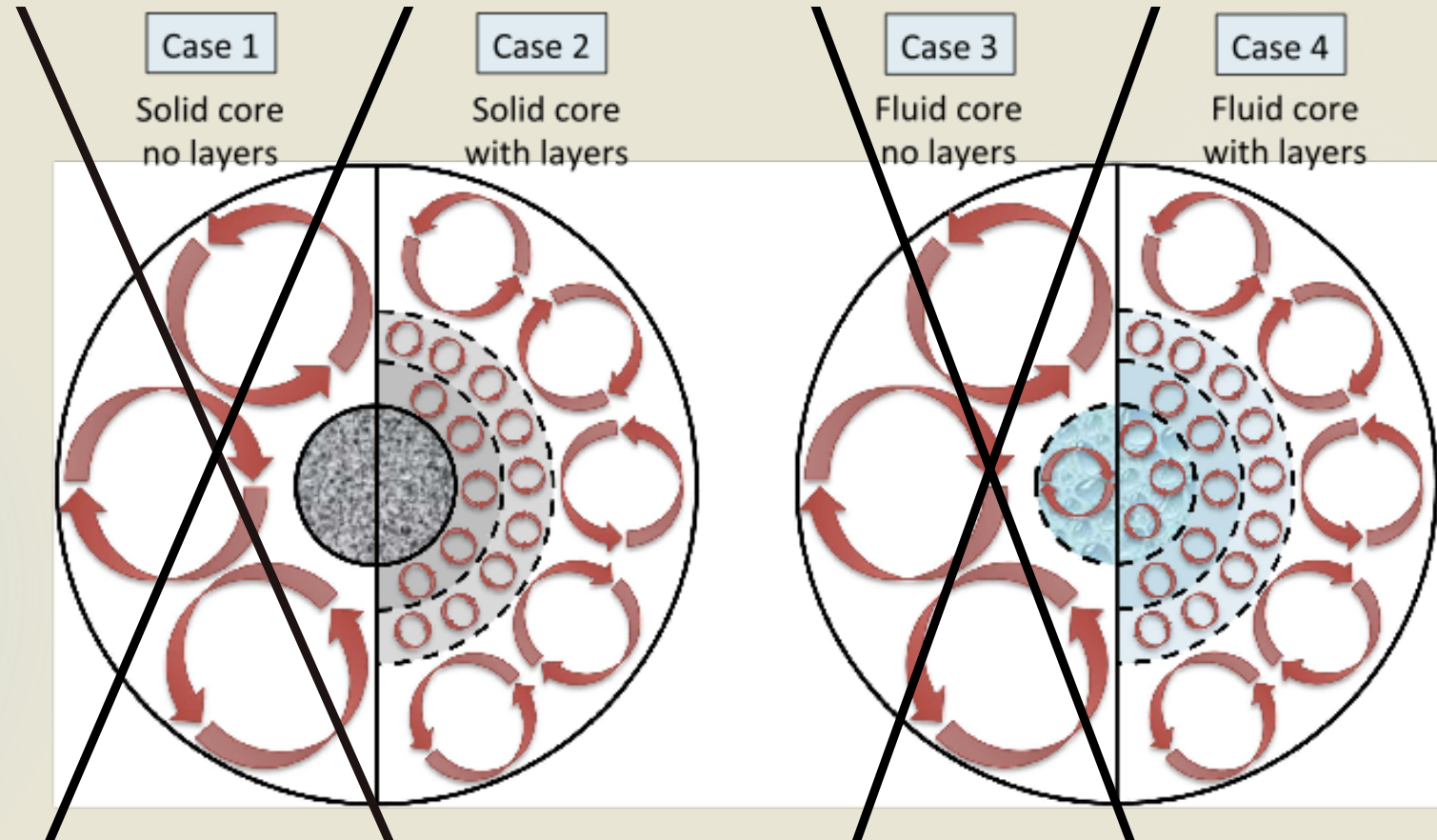


$$J_{2k} = -\frac{4\pi}{MR^{2k}} \int_0^R \int_0^1 \rho(\vec{r}') r'^{2k+2} P_{2k}(\mu') d\mu' dr'$$

Pioneer 10-11: 1973-1974  
Voyager 1-2: 1978-1979  
**Galileo: 1995**

# Diluted Core

Moll et al. 2017



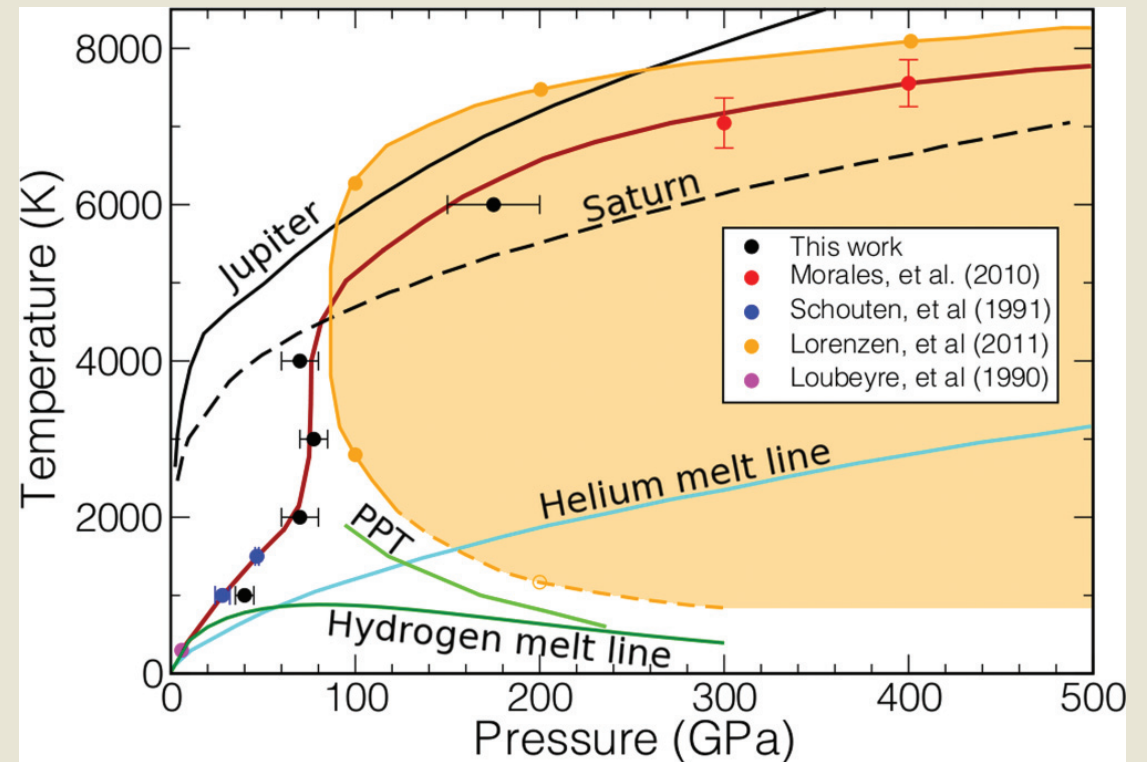
# III. New models of the interior of Jupiter

## Immiscibility

Metallic H/He immiscibility possible

Helium rain: heating up the planet  
Stevenson Salpeter 1977

Decrease in  $Z < 10\%$

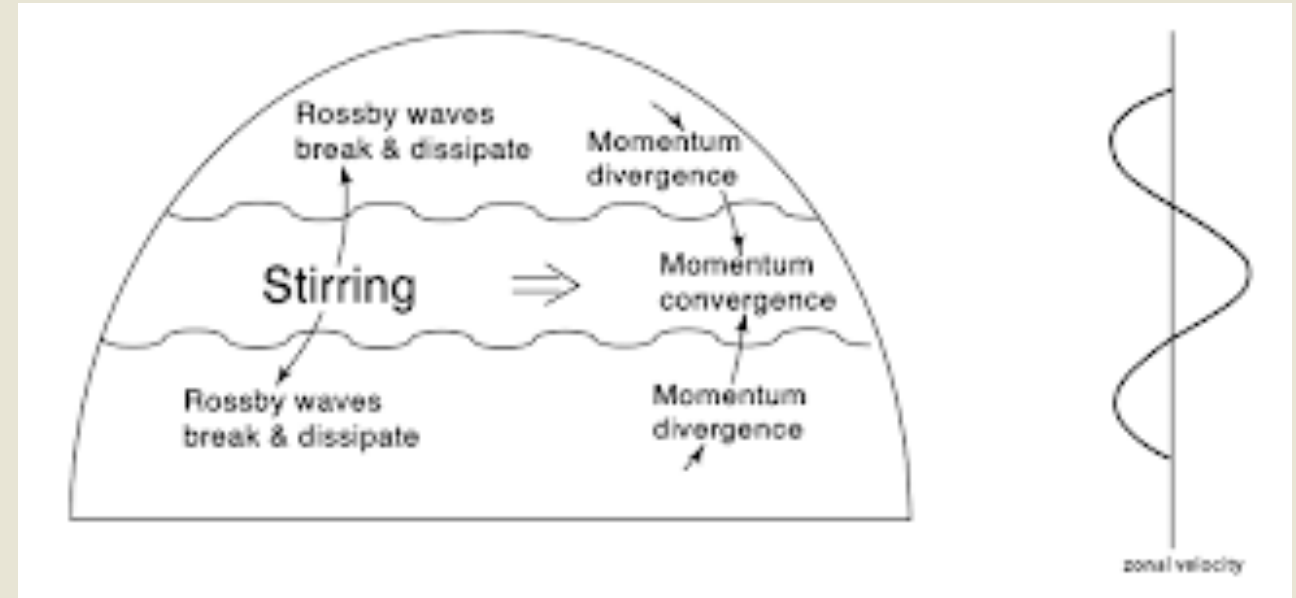


# II. Superrotation

Solar system

Mid latitudes jet (Jupiter, Saturn, Earth) : Rossby waves

Global superrotation (Venus) :  
Meridional momentum diffusion

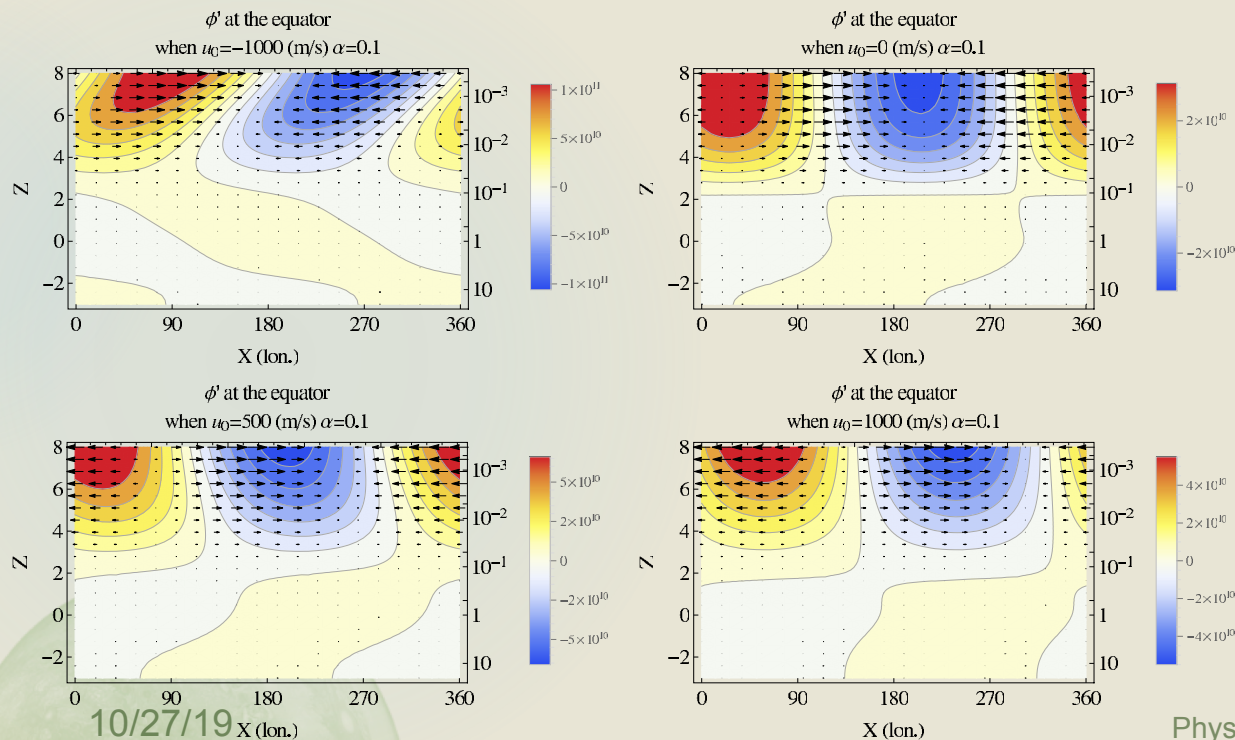


Equatorial jet : Rossby waves from magnetic field of heat fluxes

# II. Spin-up of superrotation

Tsai et al. 2014

3D = infinite sum of 2D with different equivalent depths (wu et al. 2000) : projection of the heating function in the vertical



Equilibration of the jet from the vertical structure

# II. Spin-up of superrotation

My contribution : time dependent solution

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} - yv + \frac{\partial h}{\partial x} + \frac{u}{\tau_{\text{drag}}} &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + yu + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} + \frac{v}{\tau_{\text{drag}}} &= 0, \\ \frac{\partial h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} + \frac{h}{\tau_{\text{rad}}} &= Q,\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(i\omega + \frac{1}{\tau_{\text{drag}}})u - yv + ikh &= 0, \\ (i\omega + \frac{1}{\tau_{\text{drag}}})v + yu + \frac{\partial h}{\partial y} &= 0, \\ (i\omega + \frac{1}{\tau_{\text{rad}}})h + iku + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Homogeneous solution :

$$X_{\text{H}} = \sum_{n,l} \alpha_{n,l} X_{n,l},$$

With

$$X_{n,l} = \tilde{X}_{n,l}(x, y) e^{(i\omega_{n,l} - \sigma_{n,l})t}$$

Forced solution :

$$X_{\text{F}} = \sum_{n,l} \frac{q_{n,l} \tilde{X}_{n,l}}{\sigma_{n,l} - i\omega_{n,l}} \left(1 - e^{(i\omega_{n,l} - \sigma_{n,l})t}\right)$$

# II. Spin-up of superrotation

Non linear considerations

$$u_{\max} \sim \frac{L}{\tau_{\text{drag}}}$$

For real forcing,  $u_{\max} \gg u_{\text{steady}}$  :  
linear steady state never reached

Timescale analysis : limit of short times,  
Kelvin and Rossby waves have same amplitude  
different from limit of long times  
(Rossby dominate)

