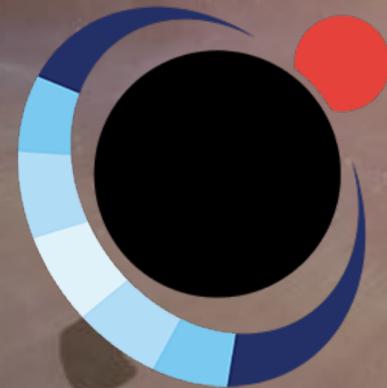


# THE ROMAN CORONAGRAPH

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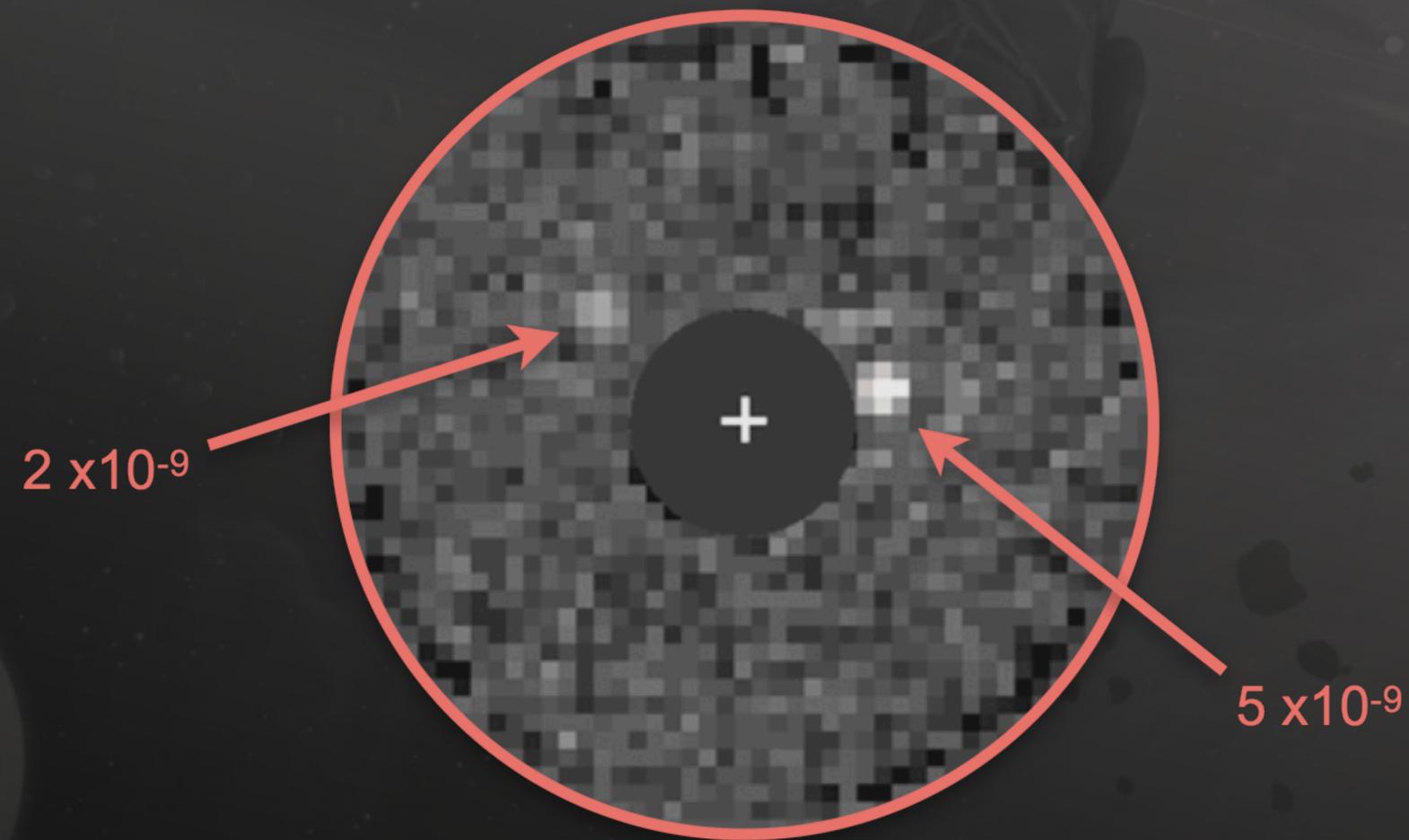
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# GIANT PLANETS IN REFLECTED LIGHT

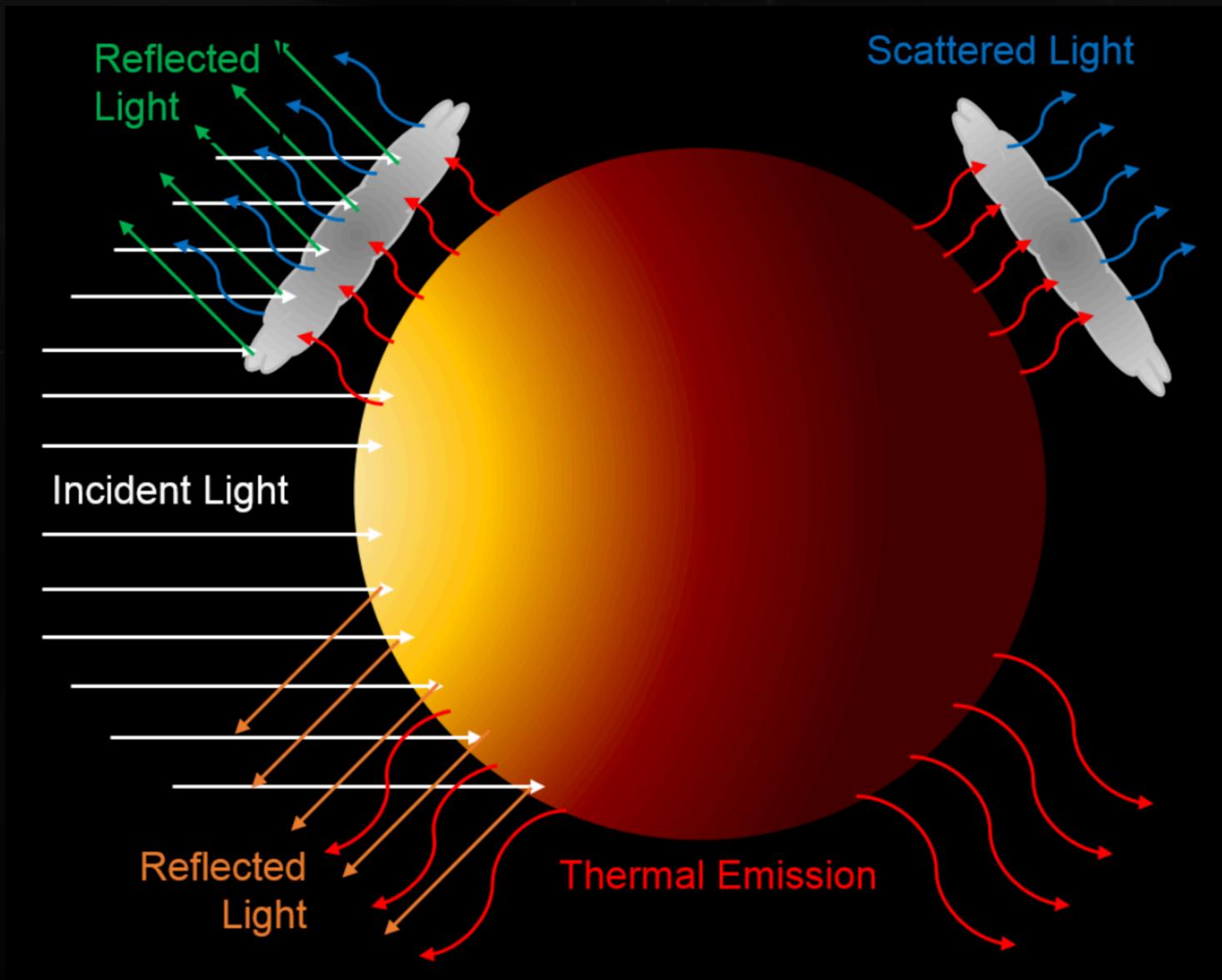


Visible light contrast  $> 10^8$



OS11 Simulation (Krist et al. 2023)

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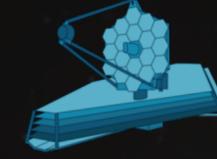
LIKE JUPITER  
IN THE NIGHT SKY



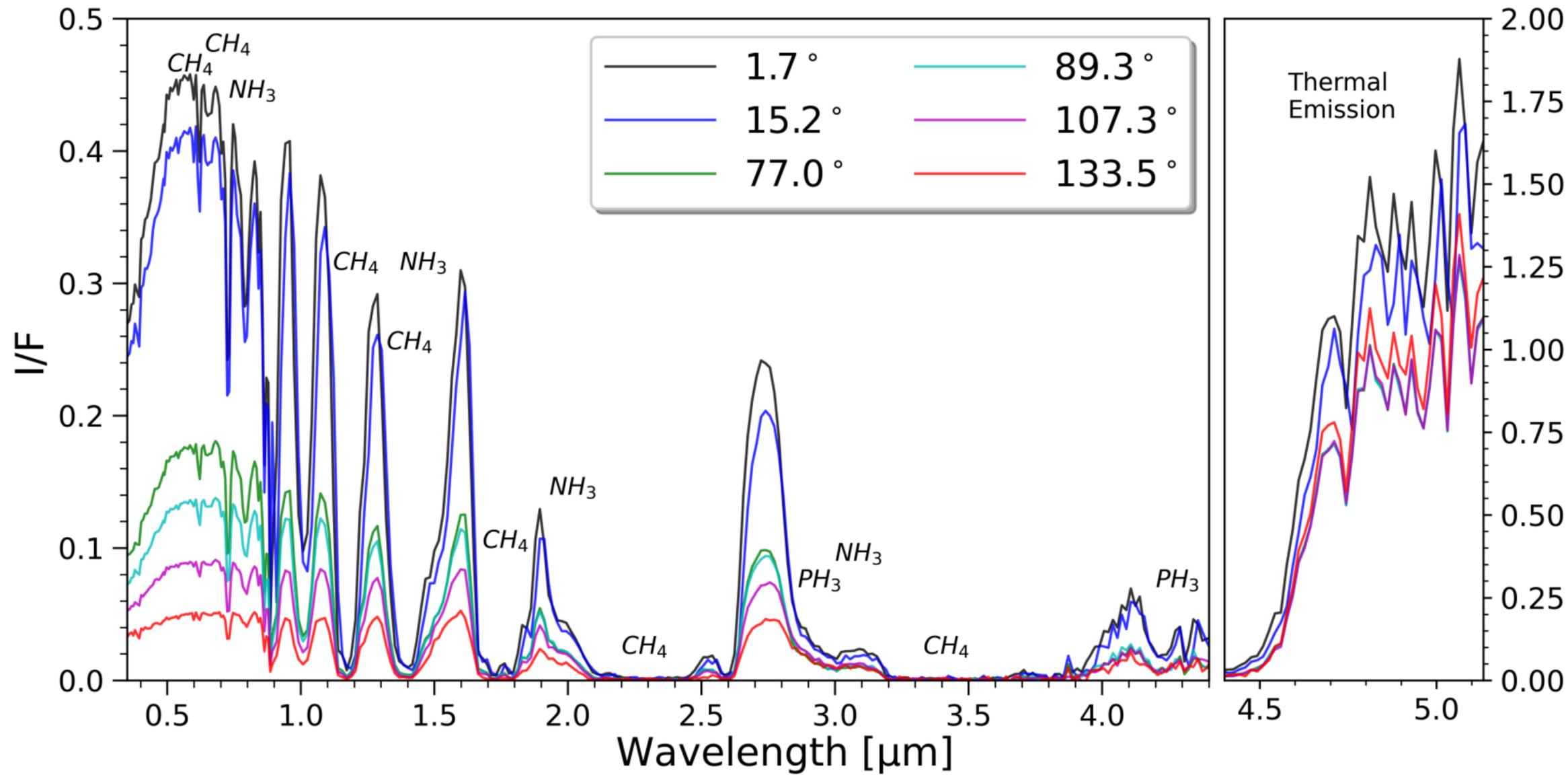
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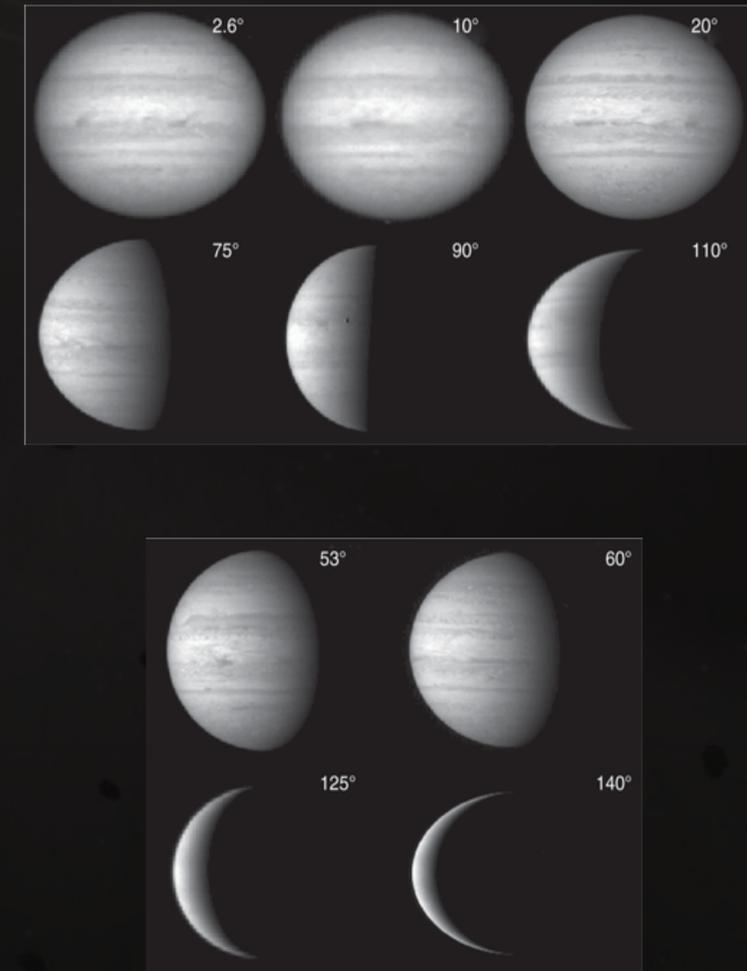
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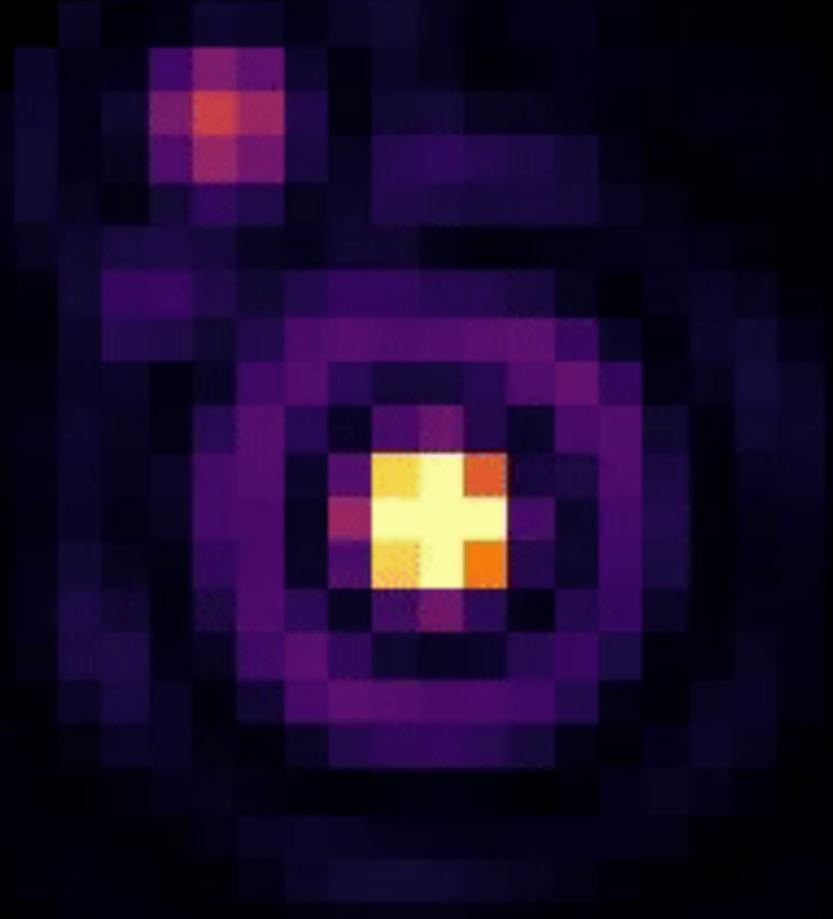
THERMAL LIGHT



# PHASES



# GIANT PLANETS IN REFLECTED LIGHT



## NOISELESS SIMULATION

The star (47 UMa)  
has been subtracted out.

3 fictitious planets orbit  
in the system and their  
flux is attenuated by the  
HLC coronagraph  
throughput and the  
effect of the phase in  
reflected light

Noiseless simulation made  
for the Roman Exoplanet Imaging Data Challenge  
(2019, Neil Zimmerman, OS 6)

$\Delta T = 0.01 \text{ yr}$

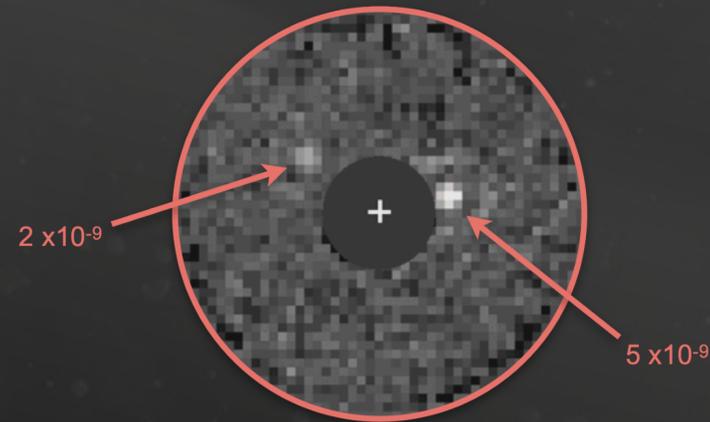
# GIANT PLANETS IN REFLECTED LIGHT



# VISIBLE REFLECTED LIGHT SPECTROSCOPY!

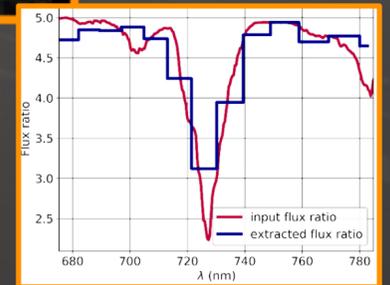
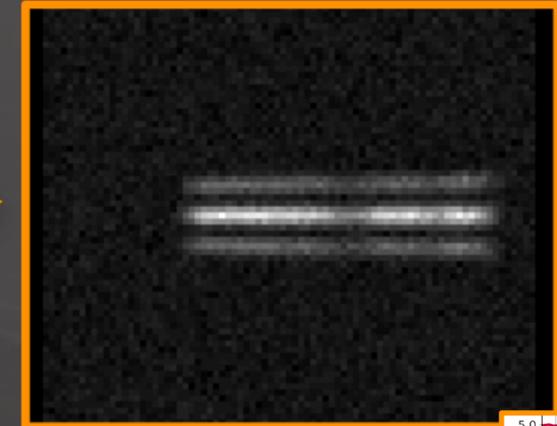
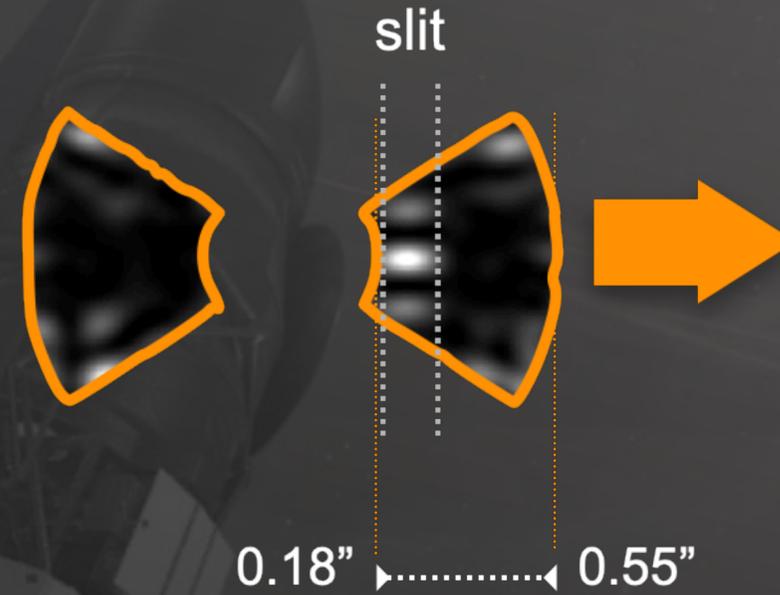


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OS11 Simulation (Krist et al. 2023)

680-780 nm  
Band 3



CH4 absorption, albedo

Methane absorption

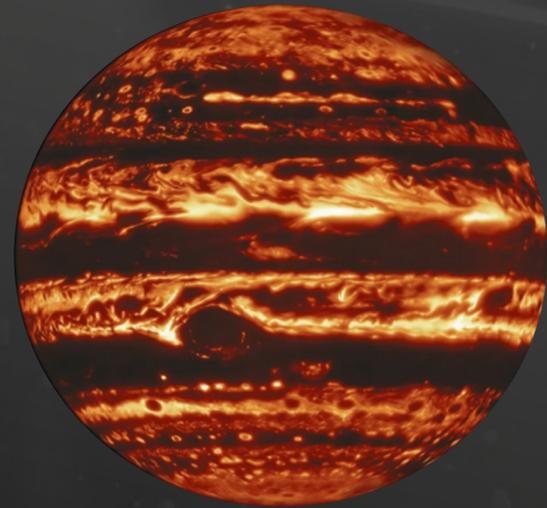
Briana Lacy will talk more about that

# SELF LUMINOUS GIANT PLANETS



B1, B3, B4 light contrast  $> 10^6$  to  $9$

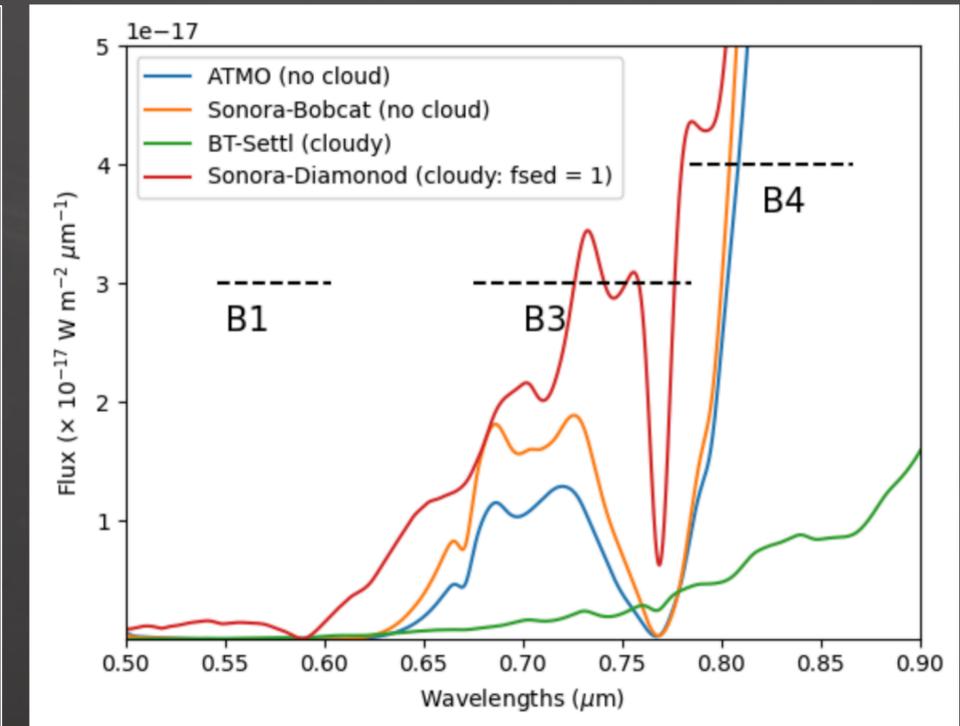
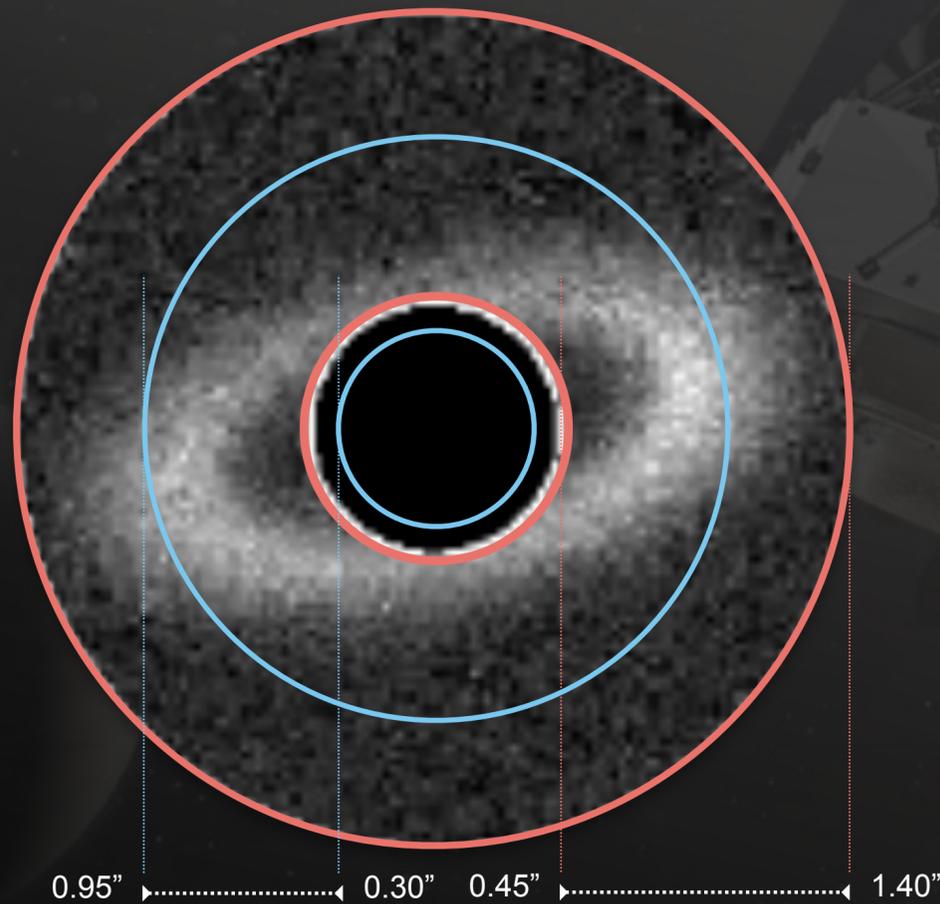
Atmospheric properties  
of known, previously imaged giants planets



Wide Field Imaging - SPC  
(goal)

825 nm  
Band 4

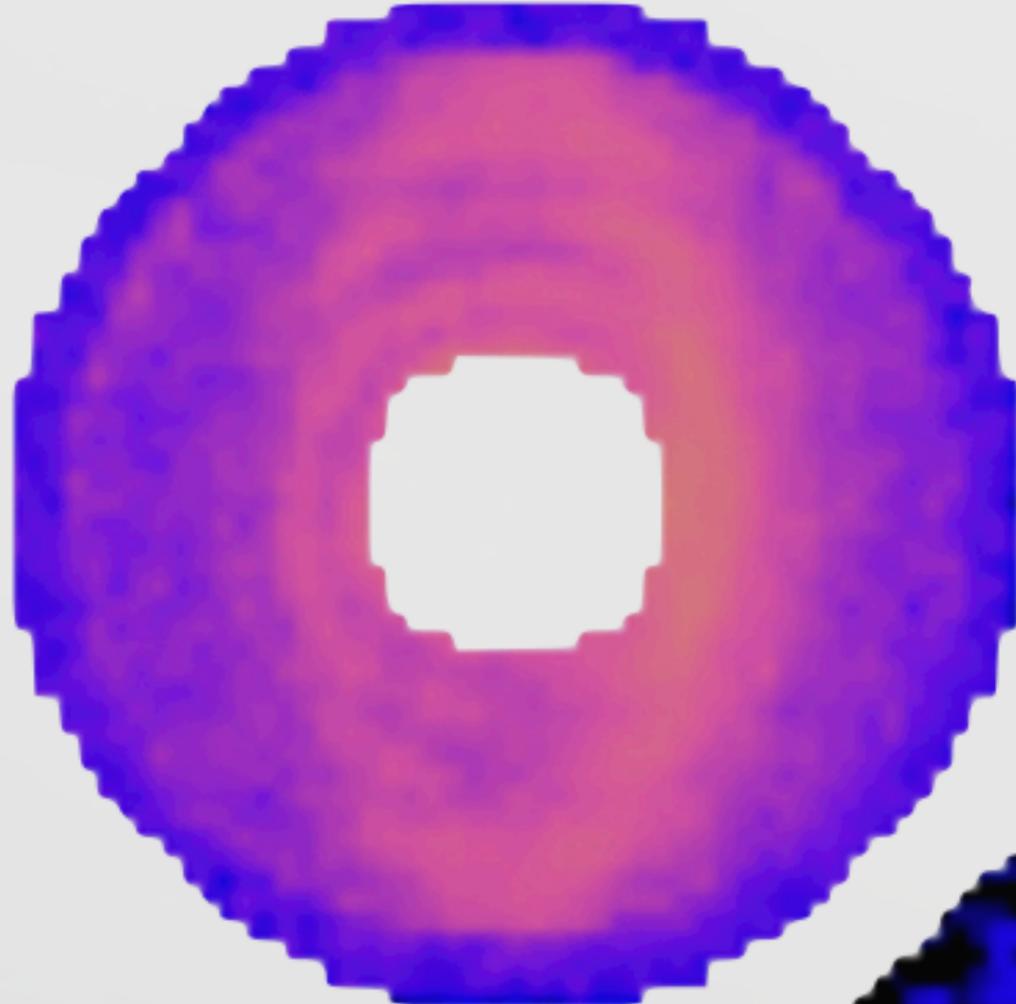
575 nm  
Band 1



M. Kuzuhara

It's not trivial to estimate B1, B3, B4 fluxes  
(contrast regimes)

Zarah Brown & Sagnick Mukherjee  
will talk more about that

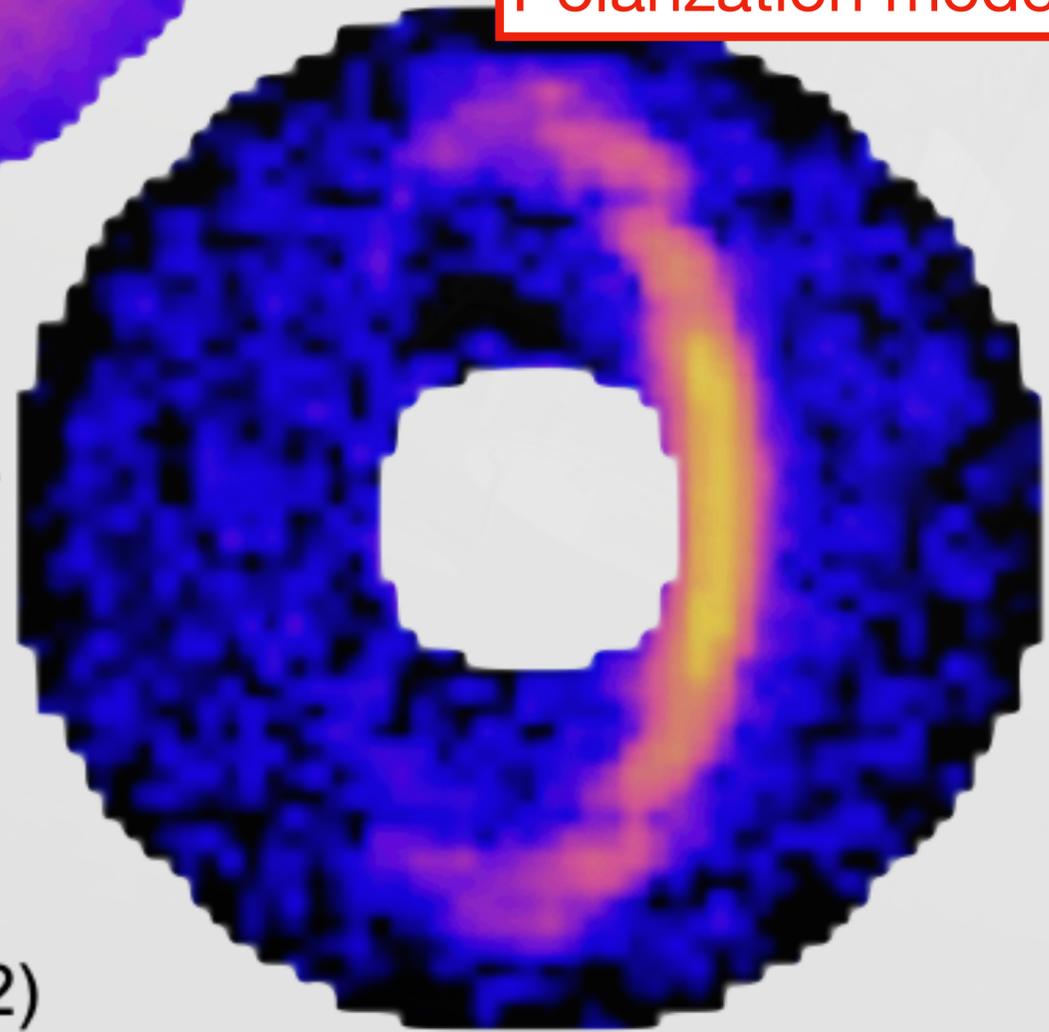


# Visible Light Exozodi and Disk Detection and Characterization

Particularly with  
Polarization mode



Post-processing  
gain in contrast.

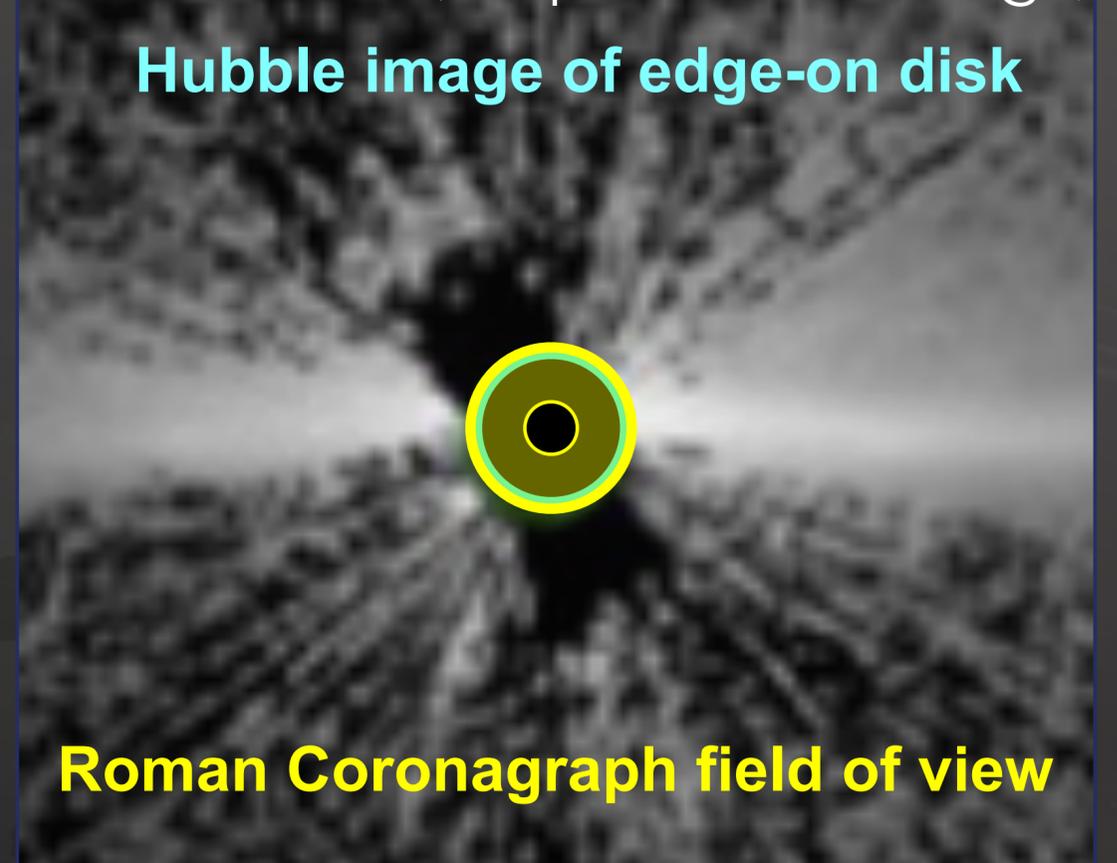


Douglas et al. (2022)

# OPPORTUNITY FOR DISK SCIENCE



Debris disks (Kuiper belt analogs)



Hubble image of edge-on disk

Roman Coronagraph field of view

Isa Rebolledo & Ramya Anche  
will talk more about that