

The background features a large, glowing red star on the left and a smaller, dark planet on the right, set against a dark space with scattered white stars. At the bottom, a teal silhouette of a city skyline is visible. The text is centered in the upper half of the image.

TESTING THE  
HABITABLE ZONE CONCEPT  
*JADE CHECLAIR*

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00:00:10,510 --> 00:00:04,180

[Music]

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00:00:13,120 --> 00:00:10,520

I am Jade really happy to be closing

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00:00:16,000 --> 00:00:13,130

this awesome meeting I'm seeing a lot of

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00:00:17,679 --> 00:00:16,010

faces down which must means the co2 in

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00:00:20,140 --> 00:00:17,689

this room is getting pretty high but

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00:00:23,440 --> 00:00:20,150

let's just try to get through 15 more

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00:00:24,999 --> 00:00:23,450

minutes and we can all go eat but today

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00:00:27,999 --> 00:00:25,009

I'd like to discuss how we could

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00:00:32,950 --> 00:00:28,009

potentially test the concept of the

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00:00:34,870 --> 00:00:32,960

habitable zone so in the near future new

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00:00:36,880 --> 00:00:34,880

and powerful instruments will allow us

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00:00:39,220 --> 00:00:36,890

to characterize exoplanets like never

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00:00:41,950 --> 00:00:39,230

before so what you're looking at here

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00:00:43,900 --> 00:00:41,960

are a few instruments that are or have

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00:00:46,150 --> 00:00:43,910

been at least partially involved in

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00:00:49,150 --> 00:00:46,160

detecting and characterizing exoplanets

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00:00:51,700 --> 00:00:49,160

now so far we have not yet been able to

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00:00:54,070 --> 00:00:51,710

directly observe earth-sized habitable

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00:00:55,840 --> 00:00:54,080

terrestrial planets however as we look

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00:00:58,870 --> 00:00:55,850

to the future we can look forward to

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00:01:00,730 --> 00:00:58,880

instruments dedicated to observing these

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00:01:03,430 --> 00:01:00,740

kinds of exoplanets which we think may

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00:01:05,170 --> 00:01:03,440

host life so in particular I'll be

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00:01:07,450 --> 00:01:05,180

focusing on highbacks in the war right

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00:01:10,029 --> 00:01:07,460

here which are both direct imaging

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00:01:11,980 --> 00:01:10,039

instruments that are in the running to

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00:01:14,709 --> 00:01:11,990

become NASA's next flagship mission and

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00:01:16,630 --> 00:01:14,719

so they would directly image earth sized

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00:01:18,849 --> 00:01:16,640

terrestrial exoplanets in the habitable

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00:01:22,719 --> 00:01:18,859

zones of stars like the Sun Fuji stars

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00:01:24,819 --> 00:01:22,729

and because for the first time in

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00:01:27,370 --> 00:01:24,829

history we'll actually finally be able

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00:01:30,309 --> 00:01:27,380

to observe these earth sized habitable

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00:01:33,879 --> 00:01:30,319

exoplanets we may also be able to test

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00:01:35,639 --> 00:01:33,889

some habitability hypothesis so to do

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00:01:38,319 --> 00:01:35,649

that we could use a statistical

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00:01:40,029 --> 00:01:38,329

comparative planetology approach which

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00:01:41,919 --> 00:01:40,039

essentially just means that we'd be

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00:01:44,559 --> 00:01:41,929  
taking quick and cheap measurements on a

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00:01:47,949 --> 00:01:44,569  
large sample of exoplanets to test a

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00:01:49,749 --> 00:01:47,959  
particular hypothesis so in doing that

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00:01:51,849 --> 00:01:49,759  
we really want to take the number and

43  
00:01:54,309 --> 00:01:51,859  
the diversity of exoplanets as an

44  
00:01:56,830 --> 00:01:54,319  
advantage and a kind of real-life

45  
00:01:59,349 --> 00:01:56,840  
example of this is as on this cartoon

46  
00:02:01,749 --> 00:01:59,359  
here where we essentially just be taking

47  
00:02:04,839 --> 00:02:01,759  
quick and somewhat imprecise u2

48  
00:02:09,820 --> 00:02:04,849  
measurements on say 50 exoplanets in the

49  
00:02:12,850 --> 00:02:09,830  
habitable zones of their stars now a

50  
00:02:17,020 --> 00:02:12,860  
somewhat recent example of this approach

51  
00:02:17,990 --> 00:02:17,030  
is by Leslie Rogers IU Chicago and so

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00:02:20,960 --> 00:02:18,000  
this is for eggs

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00:02:22,430 --> 00:02:20,970  
and Leslie took very low precision

54  
00:02:24,050 --> 00:02:22,440  
measurements of match radius

55  
00:02:26,570 --> 00:02:24,060  
measurements for a large sample of

56  
00:02:29,360 --> 00:02:26,580  
planets to infer the radius at which

57  
00:02:31,190 --> 00:02:29,370  
planets are likely to become rocky so

58  
00:02:33,230 --> 00:02:31,200  
this is a really great example of this

59  
00:02:35,750 --> 00:02:33,240  
kind of approach because if we look at

60  
00:02:38,300 --> 00:02:35,760  
any individual point here the error bars

61  
00:02:40,160 --> 00:02:38,310  
are huge they're almost the entire size

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00:02:43,130 --> 00:02:40,170  
of the flat so it'd be really difficult

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00:02:46,040 --> 00:02:43,140

to infer anything significant from any

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00:02:48,350 --> 00:02:46,050

one or two of these points but by

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00:02:49,070 --> 00:02:48,360

putting all of this low precision data

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00:02:51,500 --> 00:02:49,080

together

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00:02:53,449 --> 00:02:51,510

Leslie was actually able to get a

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00:02:55,520 --> 00:02:53,459

procedure probability distribution on

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00:02:57,320 --> 00:02:55,530

the thresholds at which planets are

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00:03:01,540 --> 00:02:57,330

likely to become rocky so she found here

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00:03:04,130 --> 00:03:01,550

that occurs at about 1.5 Earth radius

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00:03:06,110 --> 00:03:04,140

now what I'd like to do with this kind

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00:03:08,570 --> 00:03:06,120

of statistical approach is to test that

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00:03:10,670 --> 00:03:08,580

concept of the habitable zone we've

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00:03:12,350 --> 00:03:10,680

heard it quite a lot this week the

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00:03:14,870 --> 00:03:12,360

habitable zone of course is defined as

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00:03:16,850 --> 00:03:14,880

the possibility of surface we could

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00:03:19,070 --> 00:03:16,860

water between two orbital separations

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00:03:21,500 --> 00:03:19,080

and whenever a new planet or a new

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00:03:23,210 --> 00:03:21,510

system of exoplanets is discovered the

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00:03:25,490 --> 00:03:23,220

discovery usually comes with whether or

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00:03:28,340 --> 00:03:25,500

not the orbit within the habitable zone

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00:03:30,259 --> 00:03:28,350

however in habitable zone theory there's

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00:03:31,729 --> 00:03:30,269

a lot of predictions and assumptions

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00:03:37,580 --> 00:03:31,739

that we just have not yet tested

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00:03:40,070 --> 00:03:37,590

observational now here's a slightly more

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00:03:43,280 --> 00:03:40,080

scientific illustration of the habitable

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00:03:45,920 --> 00:03:43,290

zone so it's distance and width varies

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00:03:47,570 --> 00:03:45,930

as a function of stellar type and usually

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00:03:50,000 --> 00:03:47,580

the inner edge is taken to be this

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00:03:51,560 --> 00:03:50,010

yellow curve here which is the limits at

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00:03:53,720 --> 00:03:51,570

which planets are likely to go into a

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00:03:57,520 --> 00:03:53,730

moist greenhouse state so they're going

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00:04:00,620 --> 00:03:57,530

to start using their water to space now

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00:04:02,990 --> 00:04:00,630

within this bluish region right here we

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00:04:04,940 --> 00:04:03,000

make an important assumption so this is

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00:04:06,979 --> 00:04:04,950

the habitable zone we assume that the

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00:04:09,289 --> 00:04:06,989

silicate weathering feedback functions

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00:04:11,810 --> 00:04:09,299

to regulate the climate of this planet

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00:04:15,080 --> 00:04:11,820

so the entire concept of the habitable

101  
00:04:17,180 --> 00:04:15,090  
zone relies on this climate feedback so

102  
00:04:19,699 --> 00:04:17,190  
what what is the silicate weathering

103  
00:04:21,860 --> 00:04:19,709  
feedback well it's a um negative climate

104  
00:04:24,500 --> 00:04:21,870  
feedback that relies on the cycling of

105  
00:04:27,260 --> 00:04:24,510  
co2 in and out of a planet to regulate

106  
00:04:28,909 --> 00:04:27,270  
its surface temperature so an easy way

107  
00:04:31,180 --> 00:04:28,919  
to think of it is that if we have a

108  
00:04:33,190 --> 00:04:31,190  
terrestrial exoplanet orbiting in the

109  
00:04:35,020 --> 00:04:33,200  
habitable zone but slightly further away

110  
00:04:37,270 --> 00:04:35,030  
from its star so closer to the outer

111  
00:04:40,150 --> 00:04:37,280  
edge technically its surface temperature

112  
00:04:42,670 --> 00:04:40,160  
could drop to below freezing now luckily

113  
00:04:45,130 --> 00:04:42,680

when surface temperature decreases the

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00:04:47,740 --> 00:04:45,140

weathering rate so the intake of co2 by

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00:04:49,780 --> 00:04:47,750

the planets right here also starts to

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00:04:52,450 --> 00:04:49,790

slow down and because the outgassing

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00:04:54,370 --> 00:04:52,460

rate is usually constant co2 is going to

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00:04:55,990 --> 00:04:54,380

be able to build it the atmosphere of

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00:04:58,180 --> 00:04:56,000

the planet and bring the surface

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00:05:00,670 --> 00:04:58,190

temperature back to habitable condition

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00:05:02,410 --> 00:05:00,680

so we have pretty good geological

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00:05:05,440 --> 00:05:02,420

evidence that this feedback has been

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00:05:07,950 --> 00:05:05,450

functioning Earth rotates history but we

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00:05:10,360 --> 00:05:07,960

have no idea whether or not it works on

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00:05:14,890 --> 00:05:10,370

exoplanets we just assume it does

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00:05:16,570 --> 00:05:14,900

because it does on earth okay so let's

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00:05:18,550 --> 00:05:16,580

just come back to this plot right here

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00:05:20,290 --> 00:05:18,560

what would happen if the silicate

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00:05:22,960 --> 00:05:20,300

weathering feedback did not in fact

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00:05:25,150 --> 00:05:22,970

function well the outer edge would be

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00:05:28,360 --> 00:05:25,160

found much more close in so the

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00:05:30,850 --> 00:05:28,370

habitable zone would be super tiny so

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00:05:33,100 --> 00:05:30,860

it's clearly super important when we

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00:05:34,960 --> 00:05:33,110

talk about the habitability of any given

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00:05:37,690 --> 00:05:34,970

planet and whether or not it's actually

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00:05:39,460 --> 00:05:37,700

in the habitable zone but in addition to

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00:05:41,830 --> 00:05:39,470

bring the outer edge much more further

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00:05:44,050 --> 00:05:41,840

out it also regulates the surface

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00:05:45,880 --> 00:05:44,060

temperature of of planets within the

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00:05:48,670 --> 00:05:45,890

habitable zone so instead of having

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00:05:52,360 --> 00:05:48,680

their surface temperature go from 270

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00:05:54,250 --> 00:05:52,370

here to 373 Kelvin here it's going to

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00:05:56,860 --> 00:05:54,260

regulate the surface temperature to be

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00:06:00,250 --> 00:05:56,870

more closely to that of the earth around

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00:06:03,220 --> 00:06:00,260

290 Kelvin faster - a pretty narrow

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00:06:05,470 --> 00:06:03,230

uncertainty range now the outer edge

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00:06:07,000 --> 00:06:05,480

right here is usually defined by the

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00:06:09,340 --> 00:06:07,010

point at which tier 2 is going to

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00:06:09,880 --> 00:06:09,350

condense out of the atmosphere of the

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00:06:11,230 --> 00:06:09,890

planet

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00:06:13,630 --> 00:06:11,240

so therefore the silicate weathering

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00:06:15,909 --> 00:06:13,640

feedback can no longer function and the

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00:06:17,770 --> 00:06:15,919

planets found here are likely to be in a

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00:06:23,110 --> 00:06:17,780

globally glaciated state so in a

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00:06:24,700 --> 00:06:23,120

snowball state ok so we want to test

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00:06:26,650 --> 00:06:24,710

whether or not the silicate weathering

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00:06:30,100 --> 00:06:26,660

feedback actually functions on

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00:06:31,780 --> 00:06:30,110

terrestrial planets and if it does and

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00:06:33,580 --> 00:06:31,790

we observe a number of them and takes

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00:06:35,770 --> 00:06:33,590

you to measurements on each of them at

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00:06:38,170 --> 00:06:35,780

different orbital separation from their

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00:06:40,659 --> 00:06:38,180

stars what we should see that there

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00:06:43,420 --> 00:06:40,669

should be a drop of co2 with increasing

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00:06:44,679 --> 00:06:43,430

irradiation so to illustrate why that is

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00:06:46,959 --> 00:06:44,689

let's take this point right

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00:06:49,209 --> 00:06:46,969

here it's a planet orbiting further away

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00:06:51,279 --> 00:06:49,219

from its stars where they nor value of

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00:06:53,319 --> 00:06:51,289

your radiation and because of that if

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00:06:55,749 --> 00:06:53,329

the feedback function it should have a

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00:06:58,149 --> 00:06:55,759

higher amount of co2 to maintain

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00:07:00,339 --> 00:06:58,159

habitability in comparison this point

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00:07:02,289 --> 00:07:00,349

right here is much closer to its star

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00:07:04,719 --> 00:07:02,299

and because of that it should require

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00:07:08,109 --> 00:07:04,729

less u2 to maintain similar surface

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00:07:09,699 --> 00:07:08,119

conditions so if the feedback functions

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00:07:11,469 --> 00:07:09,709

we're going to get a downward slope

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00:07:13,899 --> 00:07:11,479

right here now of course there is going

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00:07:16,659 --> 00:07:13,909

to be a lot of uncertainties with this

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00:07:18,459 --> 00:07:16,669

with what exact amount of co2 we can

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00:07:20,319 --> 00:07:18,469

expect as a function of your radiation

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00:07:22,389 --> 00:07:20,329

so for example the exact surface

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00:07:24,850 --> 00:07:22,399

temperature the surface pressure other

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00:07:27,219 --> 00:07:24,860

greenhouse gases clouds and a first

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00:07:29,979 --> 00:07:27,229

instrumental uncertainties all of these

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00:07:33,489 --> 00:07:29,989

are going to make it more difficult for

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00:07:35,919 --> 00:07:33,499

us to see this downward slope but the

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00:07:37,779 --> 00:07:35,929

idea here is that the more planets we

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00:07:40,479 --> 00:07:37,789

observe the easier it will be to

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00:07:43,209 --> 00:07:40,489

marginalize over these uncertainties and

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00:07:46,059 --> 00:07:43,219

so to be able to detect the downward

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00:07:48,819 --> 00:07:46,069

slope despite our big error bars now of

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00:07:51,249 --> 00:07:48,829

course well probably if we observe

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00:07:52,929 --> 00:07:51,259

thousands of thousands of exoplanets we

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00:07:55,389 --> 00:07:52,939

may detect a downward slope if the

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00:07:57,459 --> 00:07:55,399

feedback functions but even a crazy

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00:07:59,739 --> 00:07:57,469

expensive futuristic instruments such as

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00:08:01,659 --> 00:07:59,749

the war won't be able to see that many

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00:08:04,959 --> 00:08:01,669

planets so we want to know whether or

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00:08:06,699 --> 00:08:04,969

not this test is at all feasible so the

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00:08:08,889 --> 00:08:06,709

big question I'm asking in my work right

201  
00:08:11,379 --> 00:08:08,899  
now is how many planets would we have to

202  
00:08:17,709 --> 00:08:11,389  
observe to detect a downward slope if

203  
00:08:19,989 --> 00:08:17,719  
the feedback functions so to answer that

204  
00:08:22,329 --> 00:08:19,999  
question first at to understand how

205  
00:08:25,239 --> 00:08:22,339  
these downward slope changes as we vary

206  
00:08:26,889 --> 00:08:25,249  
our parameters so here I'm just going to

207  
00:08:29,379 --> 00:08:26,899  
show you some examples of the kind of

208  
00:08:31,869 --> 00:08:29,389  
data I get so this is using Klima

209  
00:08:34,480 --> 00:08:31,879  
a radiative convective model and smart a

210  
00:08:37,059 --> 00:08:34,490  
radiative transfer model and this is the

211  
00:08:39,129 --> 00:08:37,069  
same axis as you just saw YouTube versus

212  
00:08:42,129 --> 00:08:39,139  
irradiation and everything else is held

213  
00:08:43,839 --> 00:08:42,139

fixed except surface temperature so if

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00:08:46,269 --> 00:08:43,849

we pick a value of your radiation say

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00:08:47,470 --> 00:08:46,279

here and we go from green to black so

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00:08:49,720 --> 00:08:47,480

from lower to higher surface

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00:08:52,660 --> 00:08:49,730

temperatures we see that we gradually

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00:08:54,759 --> 00:08:52,670

need more and more co2 to maintain these

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00:08:57,250 --> 00:08:54,769

higher surface temperatures which makes

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00:08:59,200 --> 00:08:57,260

sense if the feedback function

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00:09:01,120 --> 00:08:59,210

I wanted you to realize from this flood

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00:09:02,740 --> 00:09:01,130

right here if that surface temperature

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00:09:05,110 --> 00:09:02,750

is going to be a pretty important

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00:09:07,210 --> 00:09:05,120

uncertainty parameter that when we vary

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00:09:09,090 --> 00:09:07,220

it always within habitable bounds here

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00:09:11,440 --> 00:09:09,100

we see that the shape of the curves

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00:09:13,240 --> 00:09:11,450

changes quite a bit so this will make it

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00:09:15,340 --> 00:09:13,250

more difficult for us to resolve over

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00:09:18,550 --> 00:09:15,350

these error bars it adds a lot of

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00:09:20,650 --> 00:09:18,560

uncertainty now in comparison here's

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00:09:22,930 --> 00:09:20,660

the similar example this time for

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00:09:25,000 --> 00:09:22,940

different amounts of methane and we see

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00:09:27,460 --> 00:09:25,010

that this time when we go from green to

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00:09:29,440 --> 00:09:27,470

no methane to blue so current Earth

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00:09:31,960 --> 00:09:29,450

levels of methane and then to red torque

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00:09:33,700 --> 00:09:31,970

in Earth levels of methane we see that

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00:09:35,380 --> 00:09:33,710

the shape of the curve this time doesn't

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00:09:37,630 --> 00:09:35,390

change quite that much so this is just

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00:09:39,010 --> 00:09:37,640

to illustrate that some parameters even

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00:09:41,470 --> 00:09:39,020

though there are certain keys they may

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00:09:43,180 --> 00:09:41,480

not matter why that much and other thing

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00:09:46,840 --> 00:09:43,190

such as surface pressure and temperature

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00:09:48,820 --> 00:09:46,850

are going to really matter in this okay

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00:09:51,220 --> 00:09:48,830

so these were just some examples of the

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00:09:52,690 --> 00:09:51,230

kind of data we're going to be using now

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00:09:54,670 --> 00:09:52,700

I'd like to lead you through a

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00:09:56,920 --> 00:09:54,680

simplified explanation of the

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00:09:58,690 --> 00:09:56,930

statistical method I used to enter the

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00:10:00,850 --> 00:09:58,700

question of how many planets we need to

250

00:10:02,290 --> 00:10:00,860

observe to detect the downward slope and

251  
00:10:04,510 --> 00:10:02,300  
so prove whether or not the feedback

252  
00:10:06,820 --> 00:10:04,520  
function but first we had to make some

253  
00:10:09,520 --> 00:10:06,830  
kind of assumptions under uncertainty

254  
00:10:11,650 --> 00:10:09,530  
parameters we don't yet know that much

255  
00:10:14,050 --> 00:10:11,660  
about terrestrial exoplanets but we had

256  
00:10:15,880 --> 00:10:14,060  
to decide on how much we're going to for

257  
00:10:18,610 --> 00:10:15,890  
example at surface pressure surface

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00:10:21,250 --> 00:10:18,620  
temperature cloud opacities and so forth

259  
00:10:23,140 --> 00:10:21,260  
vary so here is an example for surface

260  
00:10:24,970 --> 00:10:23,150  
temperature here so it's a normal

261  
00:10:26,770 --> 00:10:24,980  
distribution centered around the value

262  
00:10:29,170 --> 00:10:26,780  
of the earth plus or minus is pretty

263  
00:10:31,600 --> 00:10:29,180

limited range the reason we're using

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00:10:33,970 --> 00:10:31,610

this in a bit of an optimal optimistic

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00:10:36,340 --> 00:10:33,980

manner here is because previous work has

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00:10:38,770 --> 00:10:36,350

shown that if a planet has a functioning

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00:10:41,440 --> 00:10:38,780

liquid weathering feedback and it's in

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the habitable zone it should really

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00:10:44,980 --> 00:10:43,370

maintain its surface temperature around

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00:10:48,160 --> 00:10:44,990

that of the earth that's 4 minus about

271

00:10:50,170 --> 00:10:48,170

20 Kelvin now if you're worried if this

272

00:10:52,240 --> 00:10:50,180

is raising a red flag in your head

273

00:10:54,490 --> 00:10:52,250

already it's okay this is all really

274

00:10:56,320 --> 00:10:54,500

optimistic case for each parameter we've

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00:10:58,720 --> 00:10:56,330

also considered a much more pessimistic

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00:11:00,880 --> 00:10:58,730

case where for example for surface

277

00:11:04,870 --> 00:11:00,890

temperature we considered a uniform

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00:11:06,820 --> 00:11:04,880

distribution from 270 to 373 Kelvin but

279

00:11:07,670 --> 00:11:06,830

anyway for now let's take it as it is

280

00:11:10,460 --> 00:11:07,680

and

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00:11:13,010 --> 00:11:10,470

go through the statistical method so

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00:11:14,930 --> 00:11:13,020

first we choose a number of model planet

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00:11:16,880 --> 00:11:14,940

say three so were inventing we're

284

00:11:19,519 --> 00:11:16,890

creating planets that may or may not

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00:11:21,260 --> 00:11:19,529

exist then for each of them we're going

286

00:11:23,510 --> 00:11:21,270

to draw a surface temperature values

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00:11:25,820 --> 00:11:23,520

here from the distribution I just showed

288

00:11:28,310 --> 00:11:25,830

you so this is where these distributions

289

00:11:30,560 --> 00:11:28,320

are going to come into play they help us

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00:11:31,970 --> 00:11:30,570

create our imaginary planet so if we

291

00:11:34,639 --> 00:11:31,980

were considering all of the parameters

292

00:11:36,860 --> 00:11:34,649

that in real life we are we'd be drawing

293

00:11:38,510 --> 00:11:36,870

values for them right here so we draw a

294

00:11:40,970 --> 00:11:38,520

surface pressure value from its

295

00:11:42,620 --> 00:11:40,980

distribution and so forth then for each

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00:11:45,769 --> 00:11:42,630

of them we of course also draw a

297

00:11:47,510 --> 00:11:45,779

radiation values from a uniform

298

00:11:51,550 --> 00:11:47,520

distribution because the planet can be

299

00:11:54,380 --> 00:11:51,560

anywhere in the habitable zone and then

300

00:11:56,210 --> 00:11:54,390

based on these values that we've drawn

301  
00:11:59,540 --> 00:11:56,220  
we're going to compute the corresponding

302  
00:12:01,550 --> 00:11:59,550  
amount of co2 so this is where our data

303  
00:12:03,820 --> 00:12:01,560  
that I showed you earlier comes into

304  
00:12:06,650 --> 00:12:03,830  
play it's essentially a big

305  
00:12:09,170 --> 00:12:06,660  
multi-dimensional matrix of co2 as a

306  
00:12:11,240 --> 00:12:09,180  
function of a bunch of other uncertainty

307  
00:12:12,949 --> 00:12:11,250  
parameters okay

308  
00:12:14,780 --> 00:12:12,959  
so now we have co2 for all of our

309  
00:12:16,370 --> 00:12:14,790  
planets then we're going to add some

310  
00:12:18,350 --> 00:12:16,380  
instrumental noise to these values

311  
00:12:21,140 --> 00:12:18,360  
because we're pretending we're really

312  
00:12:23,180 --> 00:12:21,150  
only measuring co2 for this planet and

313  
00:12:25,970 --> 00:12:23,190

then we're going to compute the

314

00:12:28,790 --> 00:12:25,980

irradiation versus co2 slope for these

315

00:12:31,460 --> 00:12:28,800

three points so here I've illustrated

316

00:12:33,800 --> 00:12:31,470

the slope as being negative which it

317

00:12:35,900 --> 00:12:33,810

should be the feedback function but of

318

00:12:38,000 --> 00:12:35,910

course because of our uncertainties in

319

00:12:39,890 --> 00:12:38,010

here surface temperature and in

320

00:12:42,170 --> 00:12:39,900

instrumental noise in some of these

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00:12:45,350 --> 00:12:42,180

cases the slope may end up being

322

00:12:47,210 --> 00:12:45,360

positive or very close to zero so when

323

00:12:49,250 --> 00:12:47,220

we repeat this whole process ten to the

324

00:12:51,199 --> 00:12:49,260

five times we're going to have a number

325

00:12:53,269 --> 00:12:51,209

of slopes that are negative and in

326

00:12:56,090 --> 00:12:53,279

number positive and of course the more

327

00:12:57,590 --> 00:12:56,100

planet we model the more slopes should

328

00:13:01,220 --> 00:12:57,600

be negative because we assumed the

329

00:13:03,290 --> 00:13:01,230

feedback function okay so this slide

330

00:13:05,510 --> 00:13:03,300

right here illustrates the point I just

331

00:13:07,639 --> 00:13:05,520

made so this is the distribution of

332

00:13:10,310 --> 00:13:07,649

slopes as a function of the number of

333

00:13:11,900 --> 00:13:10,320

planets that we would be observing until

334

00:13:14,540 --> 00:13:11,910

we see that for a low number of planets

335

00:13:16,550 --> 00:13:14,550

here in magenta a good fraction of the

336

00:13:18,890 --> 00:13:16,560

slopes and up being positive ratch is

337

00:13:20,490 --> 00:13:18,900

very close to zero but the more planets

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00:13:23,170 --> 00:13:20,500

who observe the more slopes

339

00:13:24,490 --> 00:13:23,180

so this makes sense right the the more

340

00:13:26,440 --> 00:13:24,500

planets we're going to observe the

341

00:13:28,870 --> 00:13:26,450

easier it will be to detect a downward

342

00:13:30,910 --> 00:13:28,880

slope if the feedback functions but we

343

00:13:34,360 --> 00:13:30,920

had to decide on what's a good enough

344

00:13:36,699 --> 00:13:34,370

number of mother legs or planets so to

345

00:13:38,439 --> 00:13:36,709

do that we define the power as the

346

00:13:41,230 --> 00:13:38,449

fraction of slopes with a p-value less

347

00:13:44,079 --> 00:13:41,240

than zero point zero point zero five so

348

00:13:47,290 --> 00:13:44,089

this is just how many slopes are clearly

349

00:13:49,329 --> 00:13:47,300

negative enough and here to get a power

350

00:13:53,050 --> 00:13:49,339

of your point eight we see that in this

351

00:13:55,389 --> 00:13:53,060

case we need eleven model exoplanets so

352

00:13:57,879 --> 00:13:55,399

what this means in real life is that if

353

00:14:01,060 --> 00:13:57,889

the silicate weathering action feedback

354

00:14:03,579 --> 00:14:01,070

actually functions on exoplanet and we

355

00:14:05,579 --> 00:14:03,589

observed eleven of them then we'll have

356

00:14:08,410 --> 00:14:05,589

an eighty percent chance of actually

357

00:14:10,150 --> 00:14:08,420

detecting the feedback so if we want a

358

00:14:12,310 --> 00:14:10,160

higher chance of detecting it if it

359

00:14:17,290 --> 00:14:12,320

exists we'll just have to observe more

360

00:14:18,819 --> 00:14:17,300

planets now you may remember that I

361

00:14:21,759 --> 00:14:18,829

mentioned doing this for both an

362

00:14:23,620 --> 00:14:21,769

optimistic and a pessimistic case so

363

00:14:25,750 --> 00:14:23,630

this is friendly optimistic case 11

364

00:14:29,170 --> 00:14:25,760

planets and for the pessimistic case

365

00:14:31,540 --> 00:14:29,180

we'd have to after 51 exoplanet now some

366

00:14:33,610 --> 00:14:31,550

caution these are still early results in

367

00:14:35,500 --> 00:14:33,620

the sense that they're for a fixed

368

00:14:38,199 --> 00:14:35,510

amount of co2 now it's your upon five

369

00:14:40,389 --> 00:14:38,209

log unit I'm currently working with cat

370

00:14:43,300 --> 00:14:40,399

Fang from Santa Cruz right here on

371

00:14:45,970 --> 00:14:43,310

actually adding simulated habits and who

372

00:14:49,180 --> 00:14:45,980

were noise to this year to value so that

373

00:14:51,639 --> 00:14:49,190

will come later okay but are these

374

00:14:53,259 --> 00:14:51,649

values reasonable they already give us

375

00:14:56,079 --> 00:14:53,269

somewhat of an idea of what we can

376

00:14:58,660 --> 00:14:56,089

expect to ensure that we looked at some

377

00:15:00,490 --> 00:14:58,670

work from Chris dark who estimated the

378

00:15:03,250 --> 00:15:00,500

candidate field for eggs on earth using

379

00:15:06,309 --> 00:15:03,260

different future generation instruments

380

00:15:08,500 --> 00:15:06,319

so if we look here at havoc it's a

381

00:15:10,420 --> 00:15:08,510

pretty small mirror and because of that

382

00:15:13,329 --> 00:15:10,430

we likely only be able to detect about

383

00:15:15,519 --> 00:15:13,339

10-ish eggs or earth so that's not ideal

384

00:15:17,620 --> 00:15:15,529

to do any kind of statistical study in

385

00:15:19,689 --> 00:15:17,630

general which makes sense because habits

386

00:15:23,050 --> 00:15:19,699

isn't really being thought of in that

387

00:15:26,110 --> 00:15:23,060

way but in cooperation if we look at the

388

00:15:28,180 --> 00:15:26,120

war a here or even new war be we'd be

389

00:15:30,639 --> 00:15:28,190

able to observe up to about fifty five

390

00:15:31,990 --> 00:15:30,649

eggs or earth so that's really an ideal

391

00:15:33,670 --> 00:15:32,000

number two

392

00:15:36,310 --> 00:15:33,680

be able to do this kind of statistical

393

00:15:38,440 --> 00:15:36,320

study so to test the habitable zone in

394

00:15:40,300 --> 00:15:38,450

general and especially to test whether

395

00:15:44,050 --> 00:15:40,310

or not the silicate weathering feedback

396

00:15:47,260 --> 00:15:44,060

functions on exoplanets okay I'm going

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00:16:01,920 --> 00:15:47,270

to leave my conclusions right here Thank

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00:16:07,660 --> 00:16:05,710

Thanks so Robin Wordsworth Harvard I was

399

00:16:10,420 --> 00:16:07,670

wondering have you thought about if you

400

00:16:12,130 --> 00:16:10,430

had ancillary observations something

401  
00:16:15,730 --> 00:16:12,140  
like albedo that allowed you to rule out

402  
00:16:18,310 --> 00:16:15,740  
by the the parameter space that was

403  
00:16:20,080 --> 00:16:18,320  
caused you have a lot of dependence on

404  
00:16:22,270 --> 00:16:20,090  
certain parameters if you could if you

405  
00:16:25,240 --> 00:16:22,280  
could make other observations you had

406  
00:16:30,340 --> 00:16:25,250  
prior to your analysis with that help

407  
00:16:33,460 --> 00:16:30,350  
things maybe but I guess I mean if these

408  
00:16:36,220 --> 00:16:33,470  
observations were available sure I can't

409  
00:16:37,930 --> 00:16:36,230  
think of any right now in this spot but

410  
00:16:39,850 --> 00:16:37,940  
I think the whole point is that we

411  
00:16:41,410 --> 00:16:39,860  
really want it because we'd have to do

412  
00:16:43,750 --> 00:16:41,420  
this for a large number of planets like

413  
00:16:46,810 --> 00:16:43,760

he maybe 50 we really want to make sure

414

00:16:49,810 --> 00:16:46,820

that we do this with only really quick

415

00:16:52,180 --> 00:16:49,820

and simple measurements so here in this

416

00:16:54,070 --> 00:16:52,190

case it's really advantageous because it

417

00:16:56,230 --> 00:16:54,080

would allow us to really only test for

418

00:16:58,480 --> 00:16:56,240

co2 to have an estimate of the amount of

419

00:17:00,480 --> 00:16:58,490

co2 and of course the distance to the

420

00:17:03,370 --> 00:17:00,490

star but if we want to add other

421

00:17:04,840 --> 00:17:03,380

parameters that may take longer although

422

00:17:07,569 --> 00:17:04,850

if they're available from like safe

423

00:17:10,500 --> 00:17:07,579

studies and such yeah that'd be great

424

00:17:10,510 --> 00:17:16,260

hmm Daniel here in front

425

00:17:23,710 --> 00:17:20,949

how much luar time IU is this gonna take

426

00:17:25,210 --> 00:17:23,720

overall like I'd I don't know I assume

427

00:17:27,280 --> 00:17:25,220

somebody has done some reference studies

428

00:17:29,680 --> 00:17:27,290

like to even detect like a crappy

429

00:17:31,510 --> 00:17:29,690

measurement of co2

430

00:17:36,490 --> 00:17:31,520

do you need like order of an hour or

431

00:17:38,470 --> 00:17:36,500

order weeks right I'm not sure yet I

432

00:17:40,570 --> 00:17:38,480

think we're going to take that into into

433

00:17:42,700 --> 00:17:40,580

consideration when actually computing

434

00:17:44,870 --> 00:17:42,710

the amount of co2 noise we're going to

435

00:17:48,490 --> 00:17:44,880

decide on an integration time

436

00:17:52,480 --> 00:17:48,500

we're not sure what yet yeah I don't

437

00:17:55,580 --> 00:17:52,490

probably a few hours means I don't know

438

00:17:57,020 --> 00:17:55,590

I'm not an observation there so there's

439

00:17:59,870 --> 00:17:57,030

a lot of people in this room would be

440

00:18:02,950 --> 00:17:59,880

able to say that much better than I

441

00:18:11,000 --> 00:18:08,420

secret yeah hi Sigurd ranch and MIT

442

00:18:12,680 --> 00:18:11,010

thank you for a really great talk just

443

00:18:14,930 --> 00:18:12,690

regarding the uncertainties how hard is

444

00:18:17,660 --> 00:18:14,940

it to differentiate co2 concentrations

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00:18:20,060 --> 00:18:17,670

at very high co2 concentrations how hard

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00:18:21,500 --> 00:18:20,070

is it to differentiate co2 concentration

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00:18:23,210 --> 00:18:21,510

yeah I guess I'm wondering is there any

448

00:18:24,230 --> 00:18:23,220

risk of saturation of the co2 line so

449

00:18:26,390 --> 00:18:24,240

it's hard to tell if there's too much

450

00:18:28,790 --> 00:18:26,400

co2 or you always get it from the wings

451

00:18:31,310 --> 00:18:28,800

right yeah so like I'm not going to go

452

00:18:33,860 --> 00:18:31,320

back but as you saw on the plot if we're

453

00:18:36,860 --> 00:18:33,870

at lower values of irradiation

454

00:18:39,320 --> 00:18:36,870

the co2 kind of on the plot it starts

455

00:18:41,990 --> 00:18:39,330

being really straight so we definitely

456

00:18:43,550 --> 00:18:42,000

want to be able to simple enough of this

457

00:18:45,100 --> 00:18:43,560

thought that we're able to say downward

458

00:18:48,200 --> 00:18:45,110

slope because if we only looked at

459

00:18:49,850 --> 00:18:48,210

planets at which there's a lot of co2 we

460

00:18:51,560 --> 00:18:49,860

may not be able to get a slope at all

461

00:18:55,520 --> 00:18:51,570

because I don't know if you remember the

462

00:19:03,710 --> 00:18:55,530

plot kind of both like this right it's a

463

00:19:07,190 --> 00:19:03,720

good point Hannah Hannah wait good Space

464

00:19:10,160 --> 00:19:07,200

Telescope um how evenly distributed

465

00:19:12,350 --> 00:19:10,170

across the face face of stellar

466

00:19:15,530 --> 00:19:12,360

irradiance do you need these 50 planets

467

00:19:19,520 --> 00:19:15,540

to be and do we expect to be able to

468

00:19:22,270 --> 00:19:19,530

have such a distribution that's a really

469

00:19:27,260 --> 00:19:25,190

all I can say is again the same thing

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00:19:30,890 --> 00:19:27,270

you definitely want to be able to sample

471

00:19:32,660 --> 00:19:30,900

enough of this plot that you have the

472

00:19:35,960 --> 00:19:32,670

the spot at which the downward slope is

473

00:19:39,790 --> 00:19:35,970

more obvious than rather at lower values

474

00:19:44,540 --> 00:19:39,800

of irradiation okay I'm not sure exactly

475

00:19:46,410 --> 00:19:44,550

that's a good point though all right

