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- 2D hologram
- 3D
- exists in real-life data

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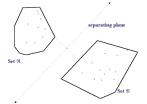
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- finite number of stars...
- Critiques: convenience sampling, light takes times to reach us and changes the view, repeated star patterns?

## Does the real universe have curves? shape?



Mike Peters https://www.grimmy.com/comics.php?sel\_dt=2012-05-21

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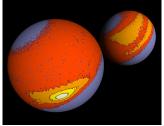
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The overall shape of a protein...

Shown are two views of the spherical histogram ... for a large collection of protein structures. The statistical treatment of such data is in the realm of directional statistics. [Thomas Hamelryck]

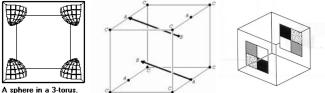
Applications: AI, biology, machine learning, statistics, and

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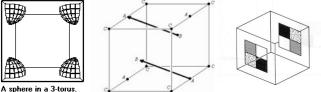
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Paul Nylander: life from the inside

historically Platonic solids: universe = finite dodecahedron

hyperbolic Weeks manifold

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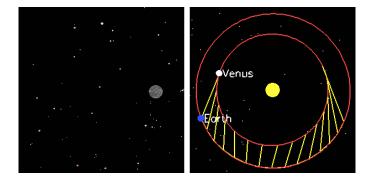


# Scientific & Mathematical Breakthroughs

- They require imaginative leaps
- Understanding what we are seeing is complicated by filters

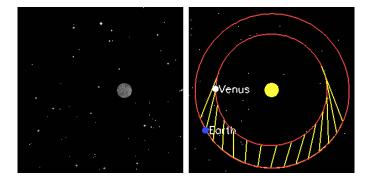
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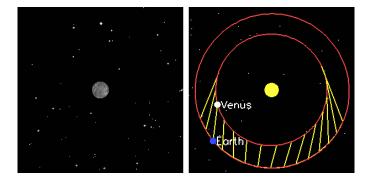
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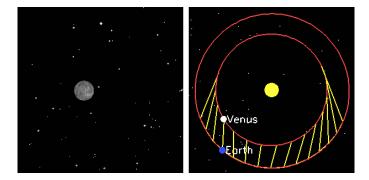


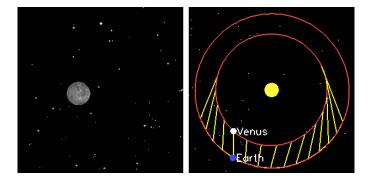
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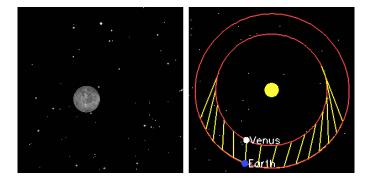
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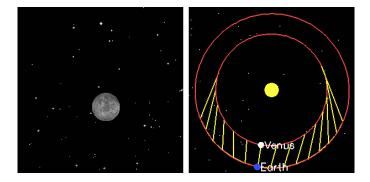


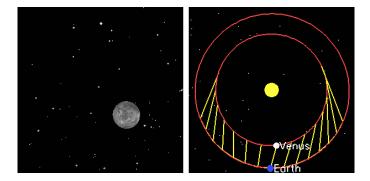


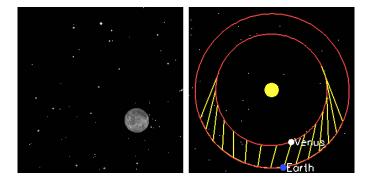


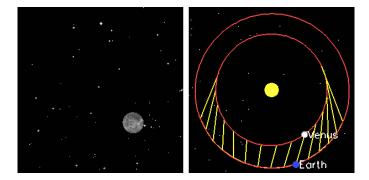


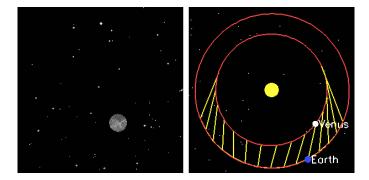


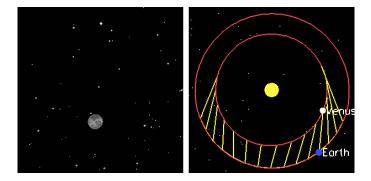


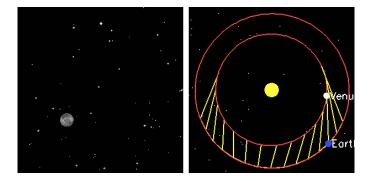


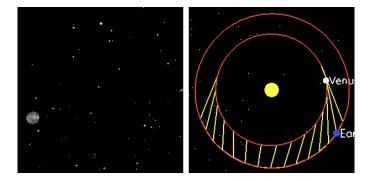






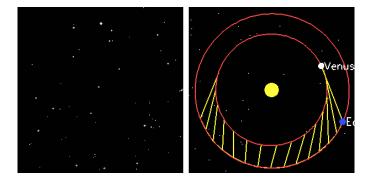






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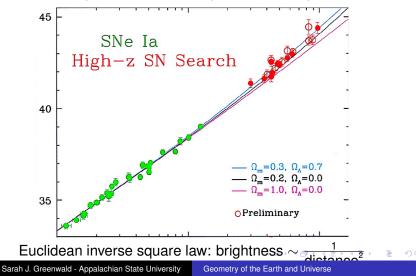
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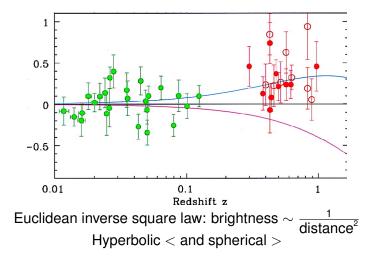
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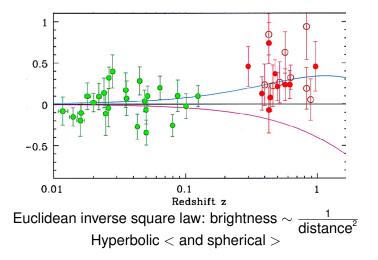
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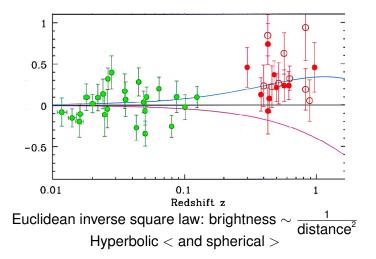
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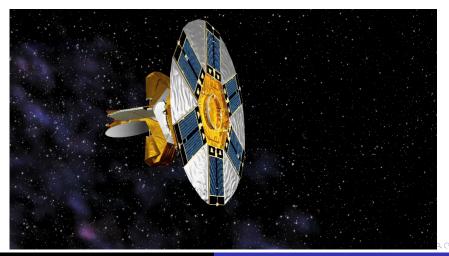
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## Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP)



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