

Lecture 4

◆ Python3 practice in Cosmos & Random Worlds

All the scripts discussed in lectures are downloadable from

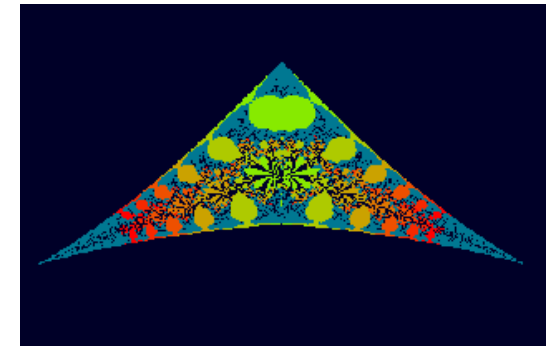
<http://planets.utsc.utoronto.ca/~pawel/pyth> . Please run & analyze them!

Simple file I/O (input/output) in Python

Computing simple statistics: mean and std deviation of data

○ Computing and Plotting

- Kepler problem (convergence illustrated)
- Irradiation of exoplanets K2-261b and GJ 3512b, use of simple numerical integration
- Iterated exponentiation in complex plane
- Exponential fractal



○ Pseudorandom numbers and histograms

- 3 kinds of randomness: nature, math, computers
- Monte Carlo casino as a randomness generator
- Generation of uniform and normal random numbers

PSCB57. Intro to Scientific Computing.

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Simple file I/O - output

Output float array in a 2-column format, cf. [simple_IO.py](#)

```
# (...)
x = np.linspace(0,10,100)
y = np.sin(x) - (x/10)**3 + 3*(x/10)**4 # some math function
tab = zeros((2,100), dtype=float)

tab[0,:] = x # will be column 1 in the file, now it's row 1
tab[1,:] = y # will be column 2 in the file, now it's row 2

# store data in file with space-separated values (e.g., .dat)
# transpose to turn rows into columns & store
# store data in file with space-separated values (.csv)

savetxt("simple_io.dat", tab.T)

savetxt("simple_io.csv", tab.T, delimiter=",")
```

Simple file I/O - input

Input from a 2-column file a float array, cf.

[simple_IO.py](#)

```
# .T = transpose, we use it to turn 2 columns back into 2 rows
# delimiters in reading function must match those in data
# .csv - comma-separated values
# .dat - could be space-separated values, or anything really

# read data from file of space-separated values
xx,yy = loadtxt("simple_io.dat",delimiter=" ").T
# or like this (space delimiter is a default)
xx,yy = loadtxt("simple_io.dat").T

# this will work:
xx,yy = loadtxt("simple_io.csv",delimiter=",").T
# but this will not (because the default delimiter is space)
zz,ww = loadtxt("simple_io.csv").T
# this will fail as well (wrong delimiter for our .dat file)
aa,bb = loadtxt("simple_io.dat",delimiter=",").T
```

Simple statistics

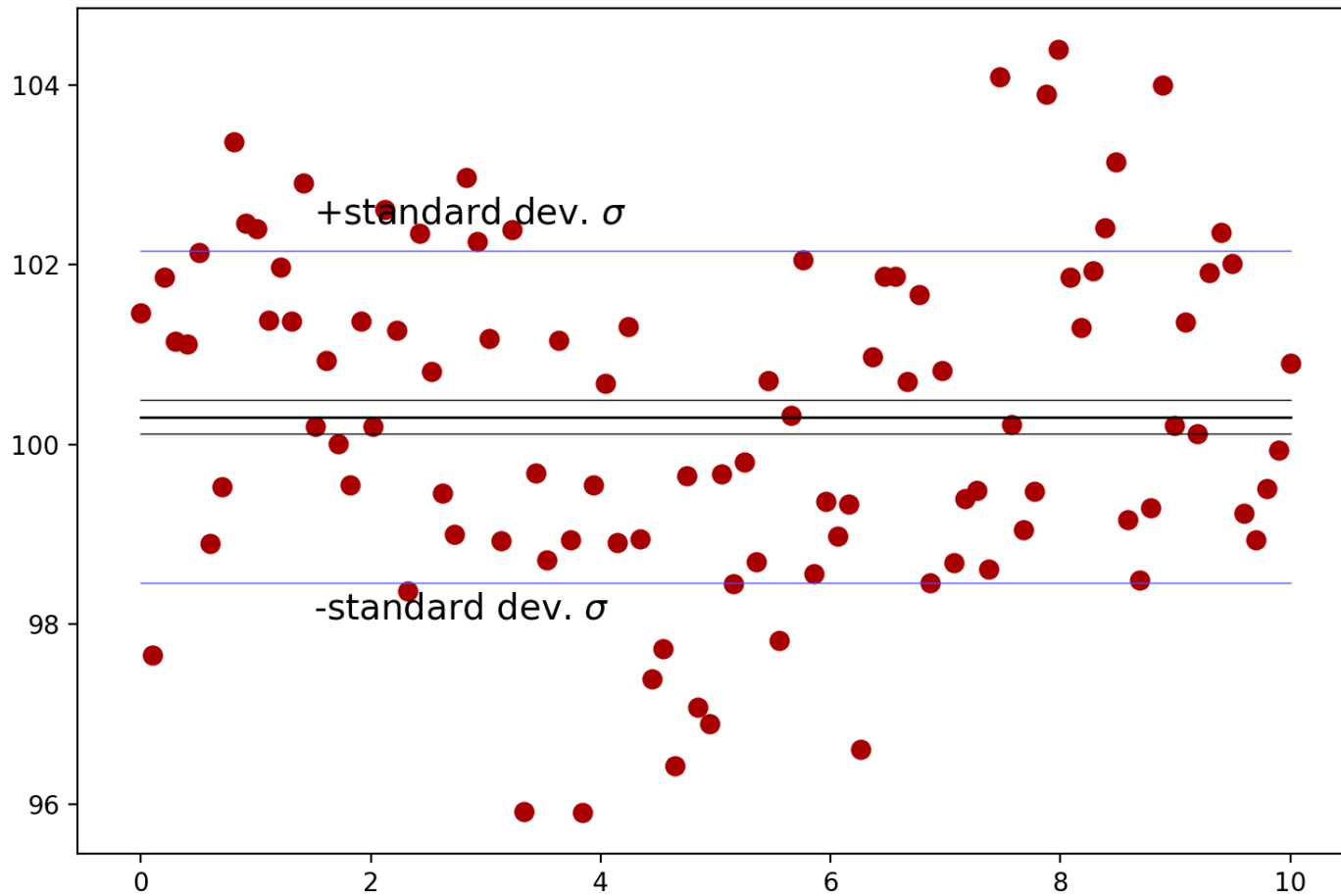
Data read and analyzed in [simple_stat.py](#)

Three approaches are used in the code, two hand-coded
and this method from Numpy (yy is a NumPy array)

```
y_ave = yy.mean(); stdev=yy.std(); sigm_m = stdev/N**0.5
```

Standard deviations of data and of their mean are different!
Here, $\sigma \sim 1.8$, but $\langle y \rangle = 100.24 \pm 1.8/\sqrt{100} = 100.24 \pm 0.18$.

$\langle y \rangle \pm \sigma_m$, and σ shown as bands. Approx. 16+16 points are expected outside $\pm \sigma$



○ Plotting

Scientific discovery from 2018: extrasolar planet on eccentric orbit

[kepl-K2-261b-0.py](#)

[kepl-K2-261b.py](#)

Core part is Kepler Equation solved by iteration

*M = {an angle from 0 to 2*pi, uniformly changing with time}*

Kepler equation

$$E - e \sin(E) = 2 \pi t/P = M$$

cannot be solved on paper, but can be solved iteratively

(...)

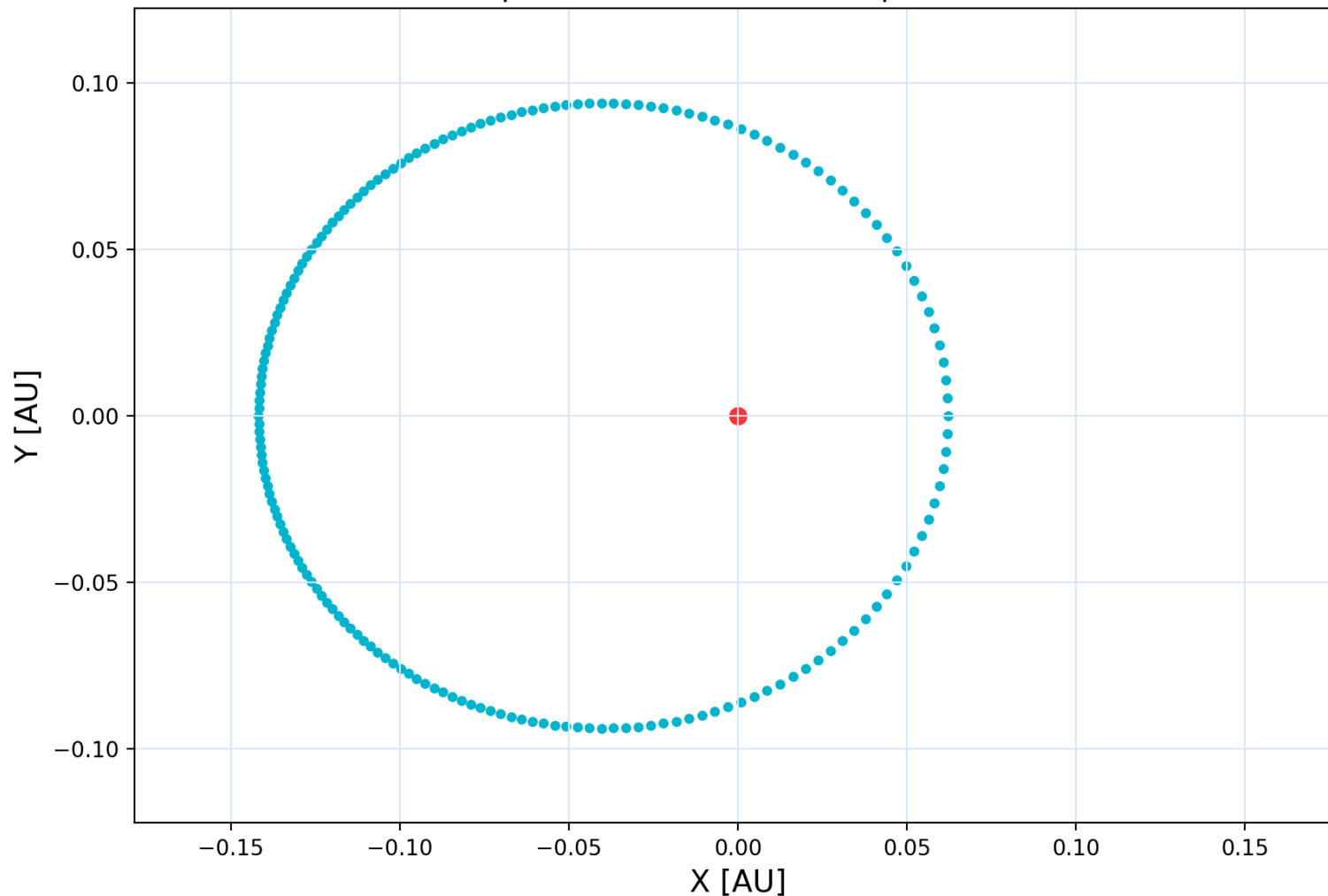
```
E = M          # first guess to start with
for k in range(40): # counter of iterations
    E_previous = E # save previous E for comparison
    E = M + e*sin(E) # Kepler equation iteration
    if (i%10==0):
        print('i',i, ' k',k, " E =",E) # print every 10th
    if (abs(E-E_previous) < 1e-9): # sufficient accuracy
        break
```

Scientific discovery from 2018: a Saturn-like extrasolar planet on a small, eccentric orbit. This program makes its uneven motion easy to understand, by covering one full period of motion with equal time intervals (big dot spacing = large speed near the star).

See the equations outlined in the program comment section:

[kepl-K2-261b-0.py](#)

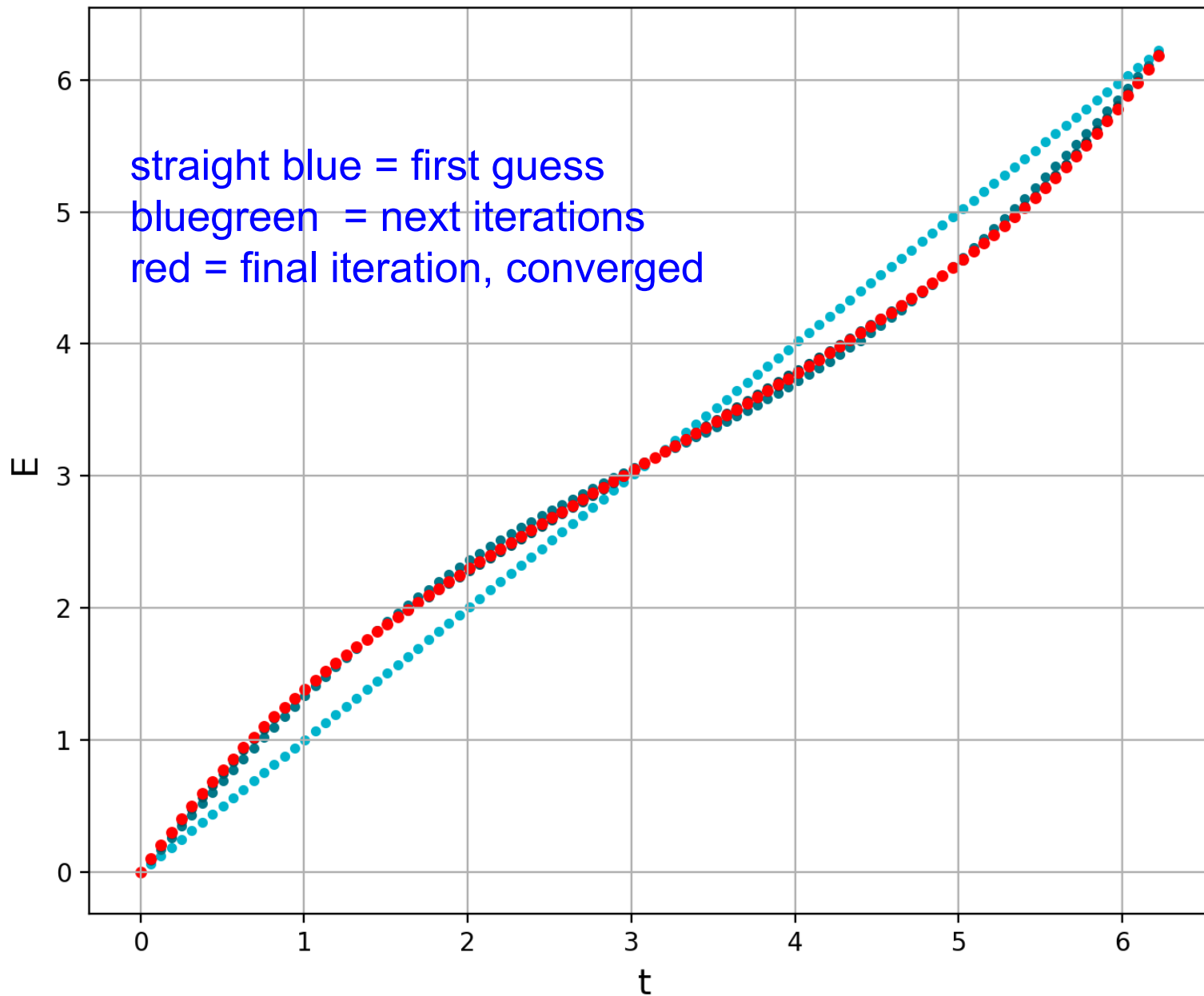
Orbit of exoplanet K2-261b at 180 equal time intervals



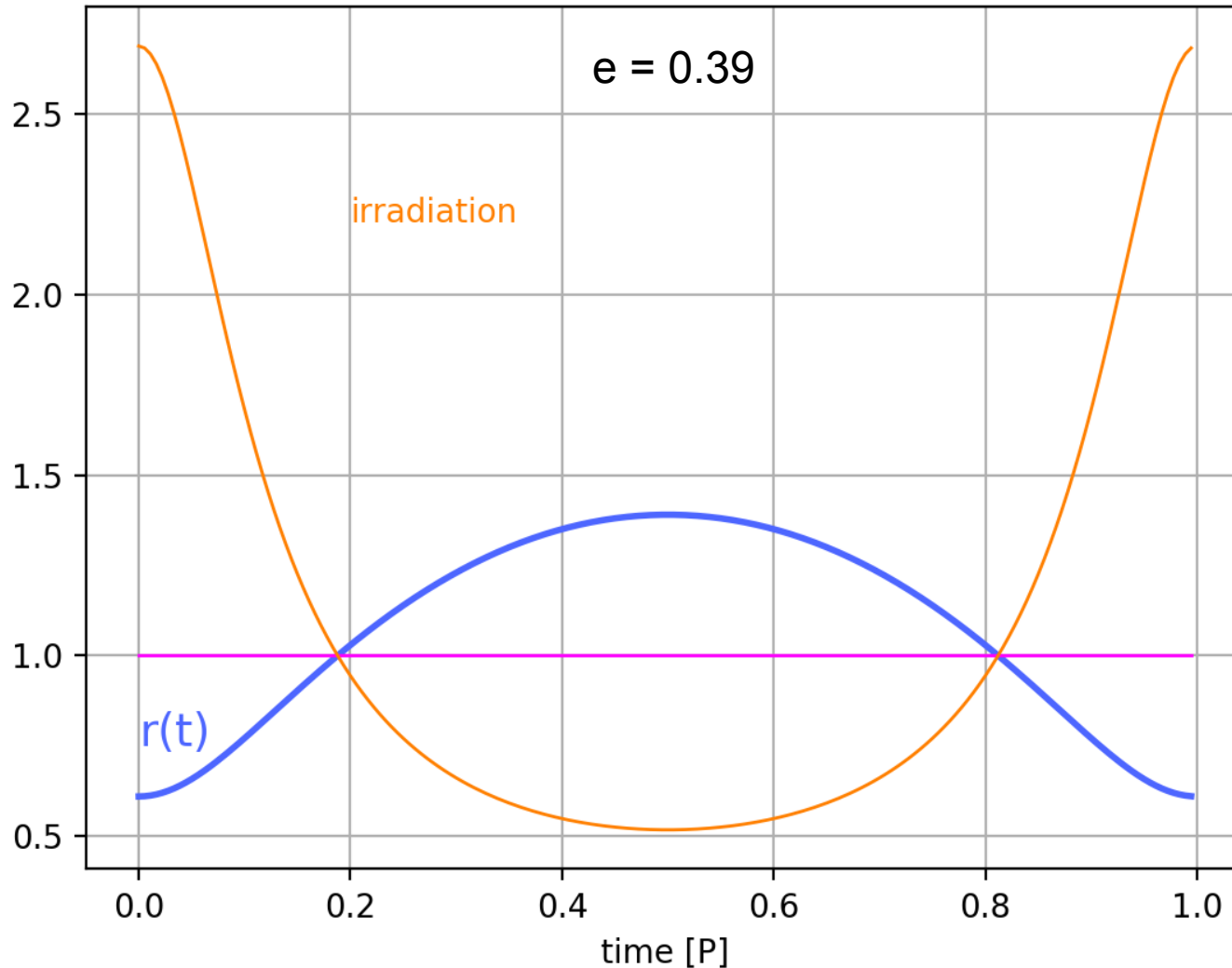
Convergence of Kepler Equation

[kepl-K2-261b-0.py](#)

Eccentric anomaly from Kepler's equation; $e=0.39$



- [kepl-K2-261b.py](#) **Simple numerical integration (summation)**
- program prints: average irradiation = 1.0859946...
- The changing distance and speed partially cancel each other's influence
- on the irradiation of a planet as a whole. Over the whole period,
- planet receives ~8.6% more energy than if it were on a circular orbit.



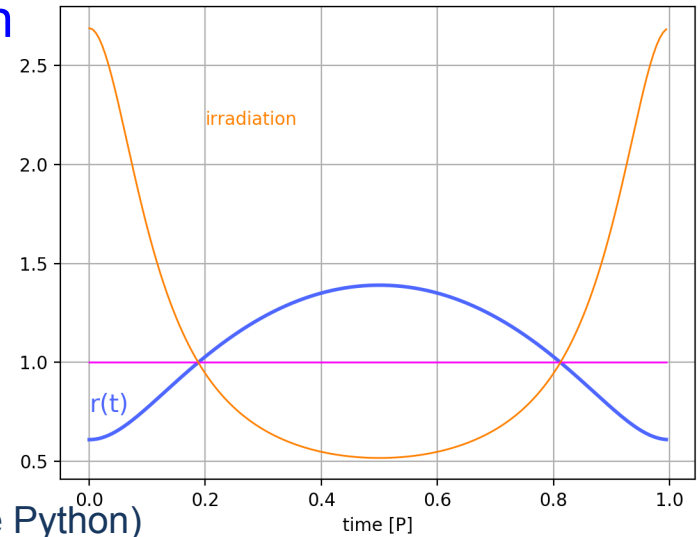
✧ kepl-K2-261b.py output: $e = 0.39$, irradiation factor = 1.08599464156

The summation of area under the irradiation curve in this program is an example of the simplest method of integration of functions.

Planet on eccentric orbit receives 8.6% more radiation energy than on a circular orbit.

➤ Let us verify these numerical results analytically, i.e. without computer

(without much help from it anyway. We'll need a calculator inside Python)



$I(\theta) = I_0 (a/r)^2$ is an inverse r^2 scaling of stellar radiation flux; a = semi-diam. From angular momentum conservation in orbital mechanics:

$$L = v_\theta r = d\theta/dt r^2 = \text{const. specific angular momentum} = (1-e^2)^{1/2} 2\pi a^2 / P$$

$$\Rightarrow dt = (1-e^2)^{-1/2} r^2/a^2 d\theta/(2\pi).$$

Hence, when we average $I(\theta)$ over time, we do an integral over dt that converts into a trivial integral over $d\theta$ and gives a simple final result:

$$\langle I \rangle / I_0 = P^{-1} \{ \text{integral}_0^{2\pi} I(\theta)/I_0 dt \} = \dots = (1-e^2)^{-1/2}.$$

Check: if $e = 0.39$, then $\langle I \rangle = 1.08599464149 I_0$, \Rightarrow surprising accuracy above!

News flash

<https://www.space.com/gas-giant-alien-planet-red-dwarf.html>

Planet catalog (1000s of planets): exoplanet.eu/catalog/gj_3512_b

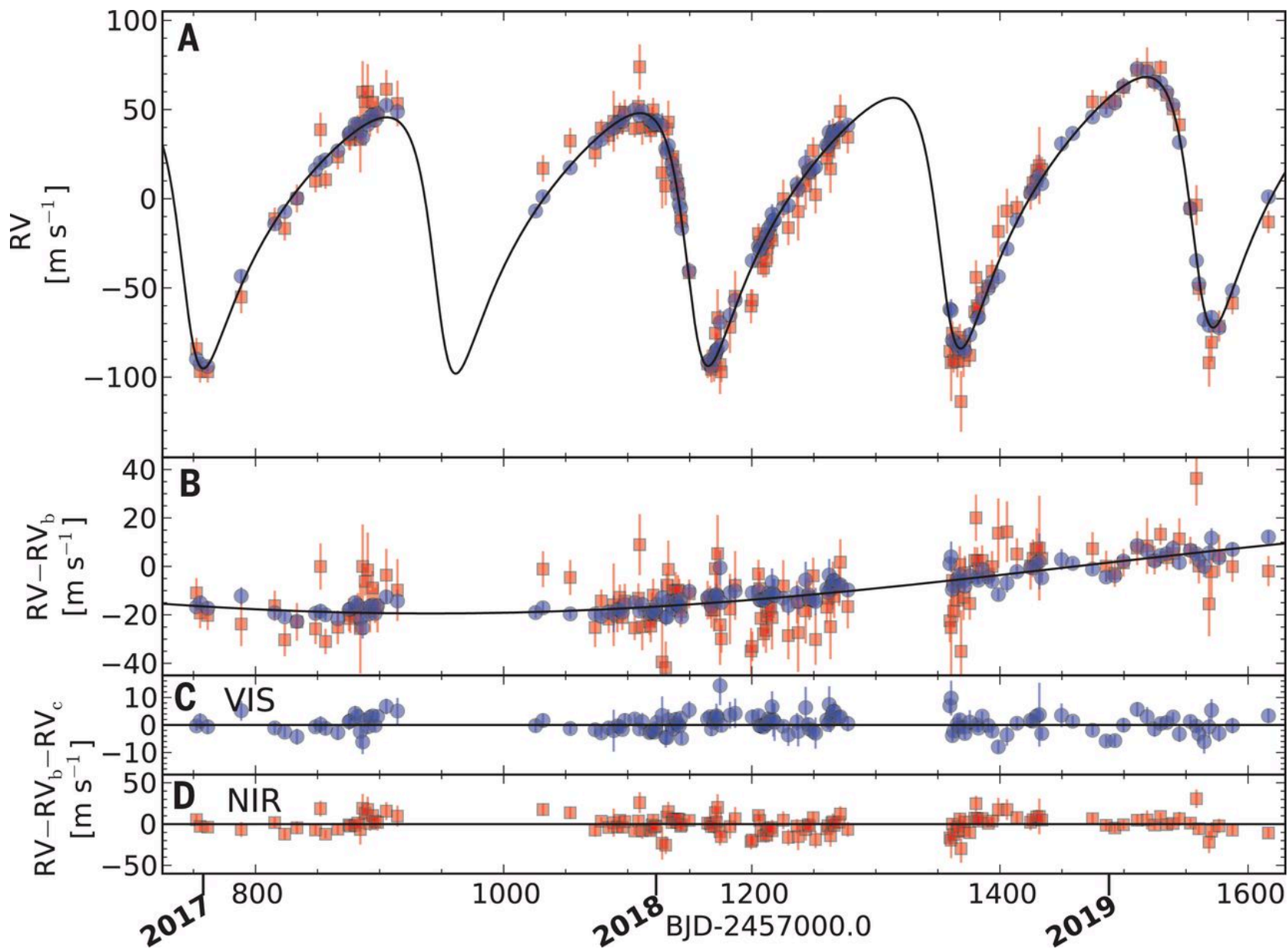
Planet somewhat more massive than Saturn, ~ 0.45 Jupiter masses has been announced 27 Sept. 2019. Eccentricity of orbit = 0.4356.

Circles every 203 days around a very small M5 red dwarf star GJ 3512 b located 10 pc from Earth. The star has diameter 0.14 Sun's radius, and mass only 0.12 solar masses.

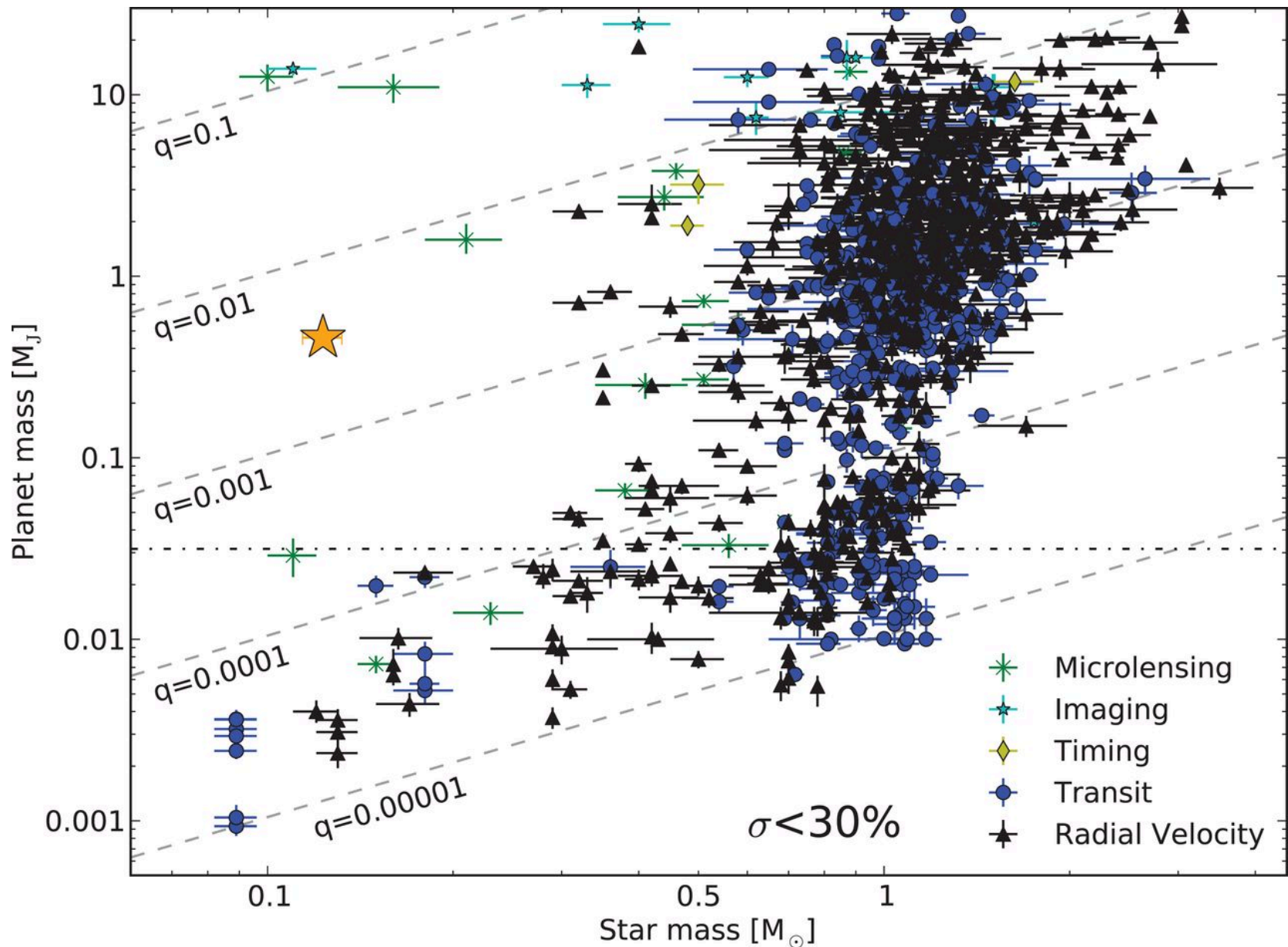
News articles claim this planet puts a question mark over planet formation theories, because there is little material in protoplanetary disks of small stars. (Not a very strong argument!)

Our task: Find its mean surface temperature (under certain assumptions as to energy balance), in particular: find how big a correction one needs to apply because of the large eccentricity of orbit.

Eccentric orbit of GJ 3512b generates this Radial Velocity curve



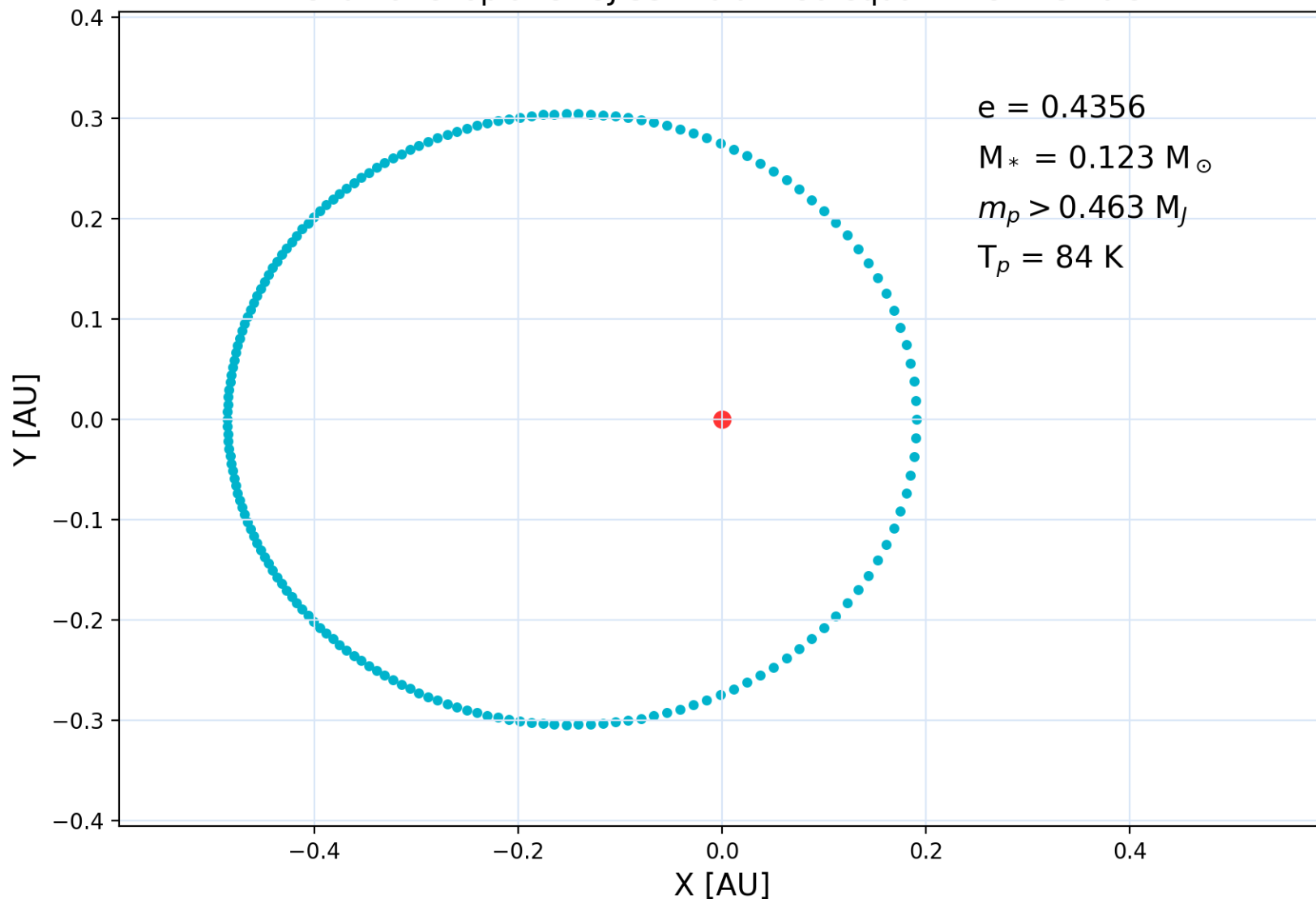
The known exoplanets (2019) on $m_p - M_*$ diagram



Discovery published on 27 Sept. 2019: a Saturn-class extrasolar planet on an intermediated-sized, eccentric orbit. $P = (203.59 \pm 0.14)^d$.

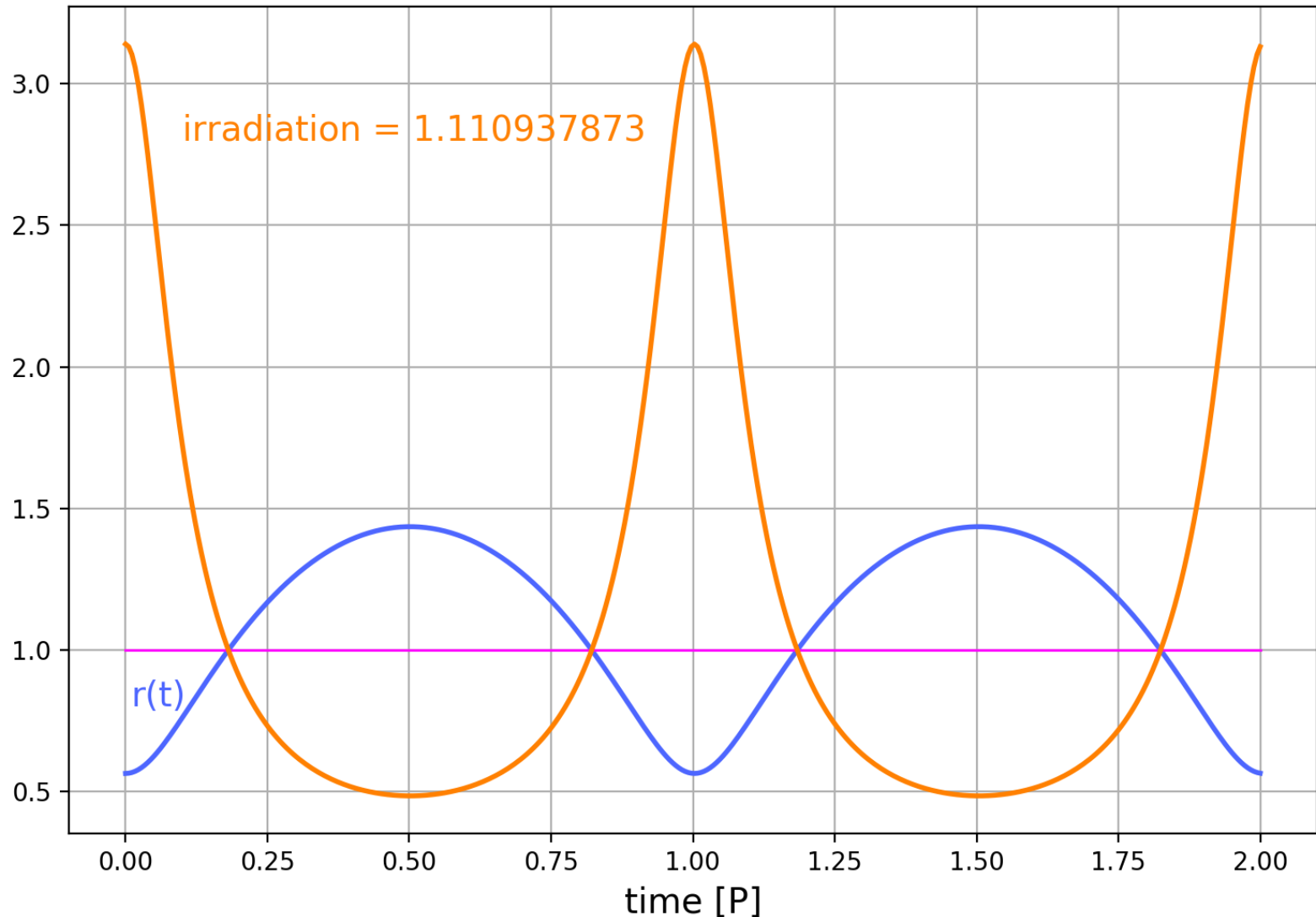
Copy, run and study Python in: [kepl-GJ-3512b.py](#)

Orbit of exoplanet GJ 3512b at 180 equal time intervals

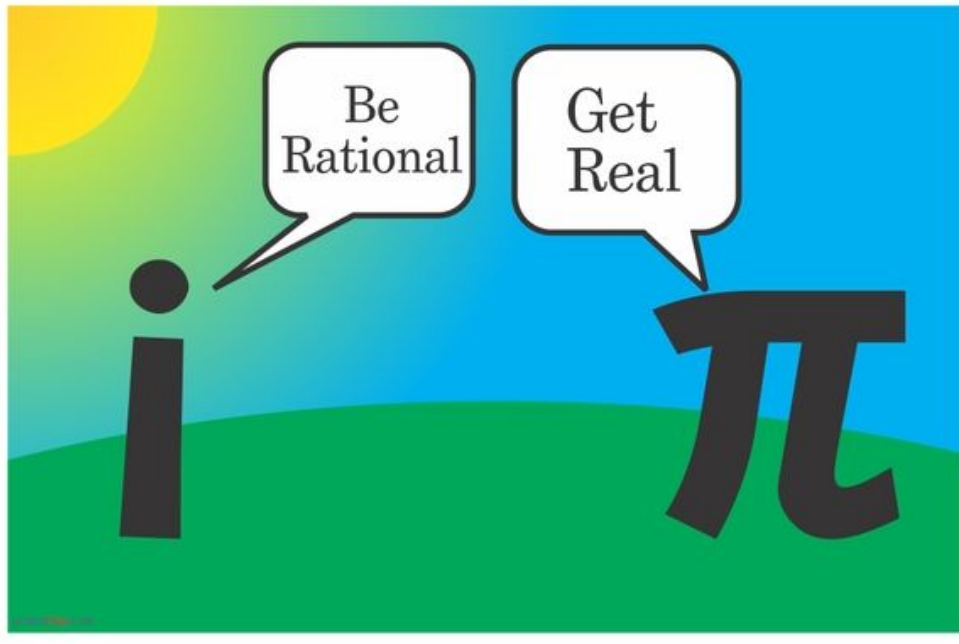


- [kepl-GJ-3512b.py](#) **Simple numerical integration (summation)**
- integrated average irradiation = 1.1109378732817672
- theoretical average irradiation = 1.1109378731712545, difference = 1.1e-10 (!)
- planet receives ~11% more energy than if it were on a circular orbit.

GJ 3512b, $e = 0.4356$



- Complex worlds explored with Python



$$i = \sqrt{-1} \quad \dots \quad i^{i^i} = ?$$

- Complex numbers are part of Python standard language, no need for special modules. Raising numbers to power works for complex numbers too, both as base and exponent.

Mathematics: let x be real number,

- $e^x = \sum_{n=\{0,1,2,3,4, \dots, \infty\}} x^n / n!$ (Taylor at $x=0$; all derivatives of $e^x = e^0 = 1$)

- $e^{ix} = \sum_{n=\{0,1,2,3, \dots, \infty\}} i^n x^n / n!$

where $i^n = i^{\{0,1,2,3,4,5,\dots\}} = \{1, i, -1, -i, 1, i, -1, \dots\}$

- $\cos x := \sum_{n=\{0,2,4,\dots, \infty\}} (-1)^{n/2} x^n / n!$ (= trig. cosine Taylor series)

- $\sin x := \sum_{n=\{1,3,5,\dots, \infty\}} (-1)^{(n-1)/2} x^n / n!$ (= trig. sine Taylor series)

- This proves Euler's identity:

$$e^{ix} = \cos(x) + i \sin(x) \quad \text{e.g., } \text{mysterious(?)}$$

$$(\text{unit circle in complex plane, if } x=\text{real}) \quad e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0$$

Notice one more curious thing. From Taylor expansion we do not immediately see that $\sin(x)$ and $\cos(x)$ are periodic functions!

- $i = \exp(i \pi/2)$

... $j^{i^i} = ?$

- Let's see how i^i works

- $i^i = [e^{i\pi/2}]^i = e^{i*i \pi/2} = e^{-\pi/2} = 0.2078\dots$

- Indeed, Python denotes i by j and does

```
>>> i = complex(0,1)    or    >>> i = 1j
```

```
>>> i**i
(0.20787957635076193+0j)
```

```
>>> i**i**i
(0.9471589980723784+0.32076444997930853j)
```

[Below we check whether Python does the right thing]

```
>>> i**(i**i)
(0.9471589980723784+0.32076444997930853j)    RIGHT
```

```
>>> (i**i)**i
(6.123233995736766e-17-1j)    ~ -j    WRONG
```

Iterated complex exponentiation of i produces lots of complex numbers, does not seem to diverge. But does it really converge, diverge, or oscillate eventually?

```
>>> z = 1
>>> for k in range(10):
...     z = i**z;     print(k,z)
...
0 1j
1 (0.20787957635076193+0j)
2 (0.9471589980723784+0.32076444997930853j)
3 (0.05009223610932118+0.6021165270360038j)
4 (0.387166181086115+0.03052708160548448j)
5 (0.7822756824339533+0.5446065576579896j)
6 (0.14256182316366683+0.4004665253370873j)
7 (0.5197863964078542+0.11838419641581431j)
8 (0.568588617271897+0.6050784067978037j)
9 (0.24236524682521116+0.30115059207131784j)
>>>
```

○ Plotting and exploring

Iterated exponentials

The use of scatter plots, color indices

$$\dots j^{i^j} = ?$$

[iii-00.py](#) (print, how to use j)

[iii-0.py](#) (plot, zoom)

One can start with arbitrary complex number, not only i

[iii-2.py](#) (many plots, different z)

Exponential fractal.

convergence of $\dots z^{z^z}$ in complex plane

[mandel_g4g.py](#) (Mandelbrot fractal)

[expfract-s1.py](#) (Artymowicz fractal)

[expfract-p1.py](#) (different color map and region)

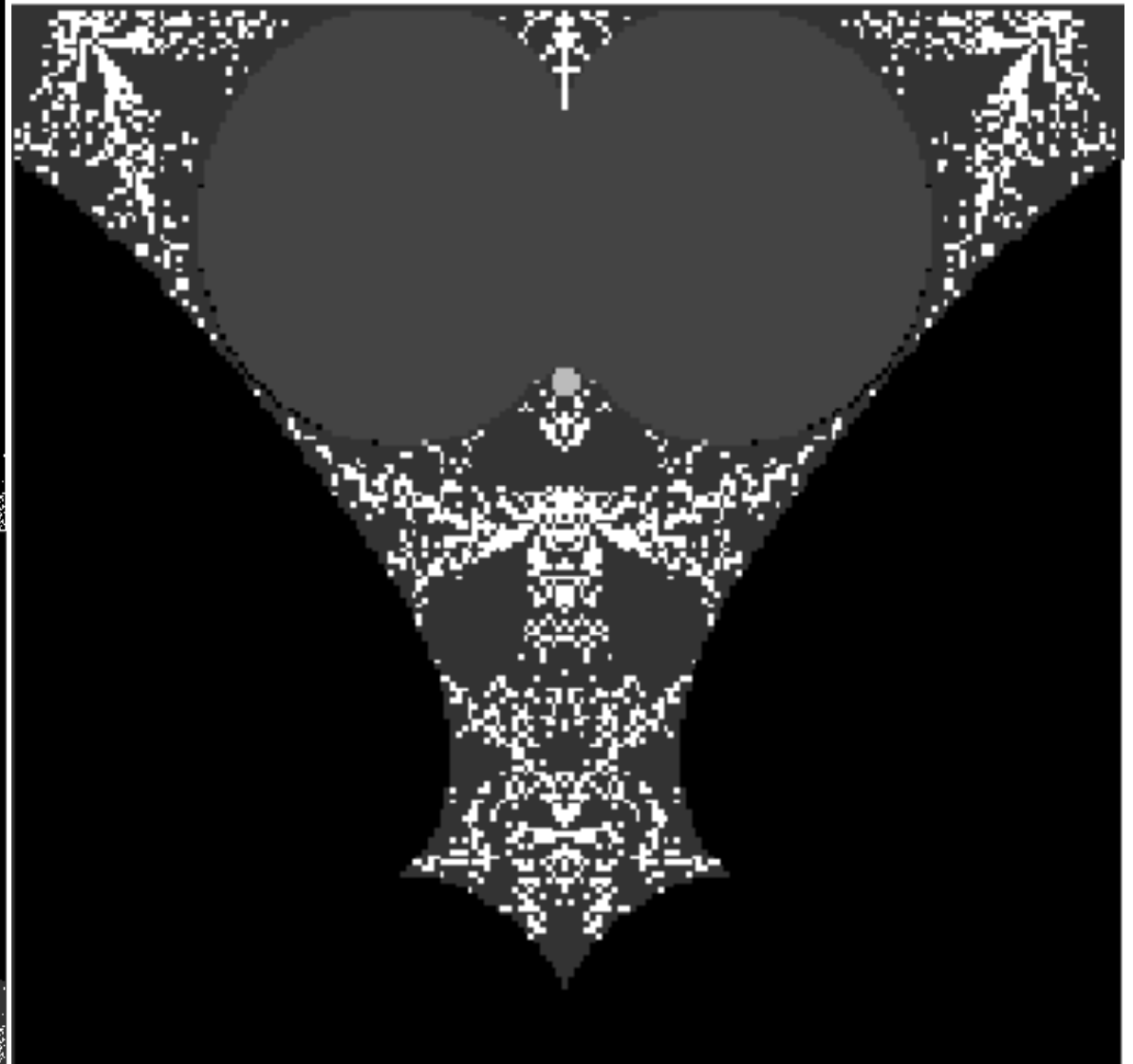
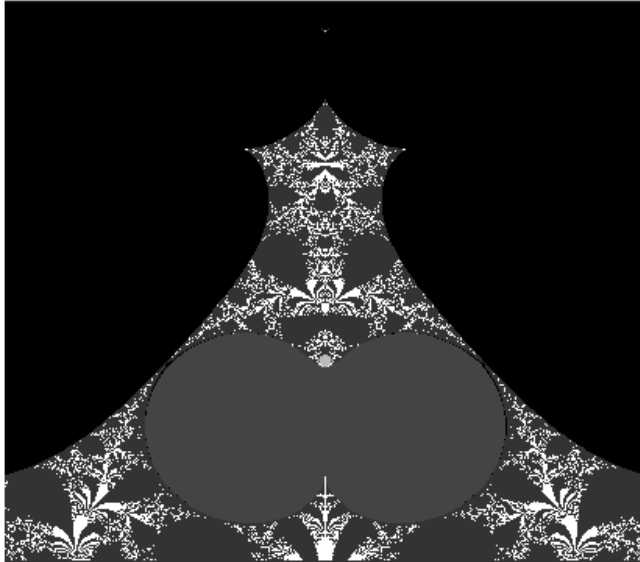
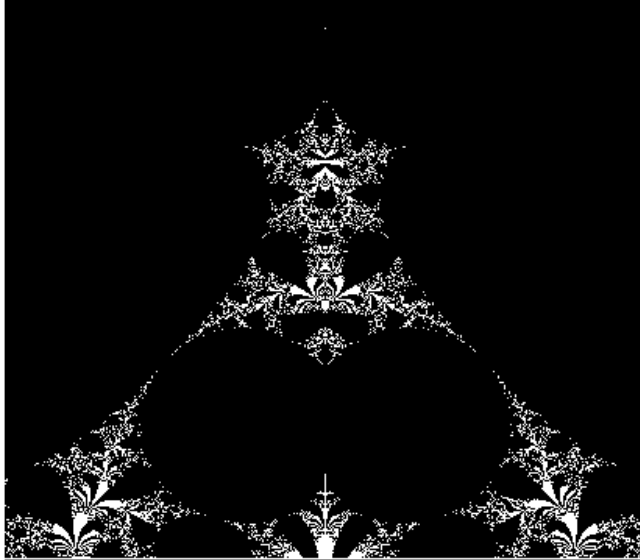
[expfract-p100.py](#) (scale=0.128)

[expfract-p100b.py](#) (variable scale)

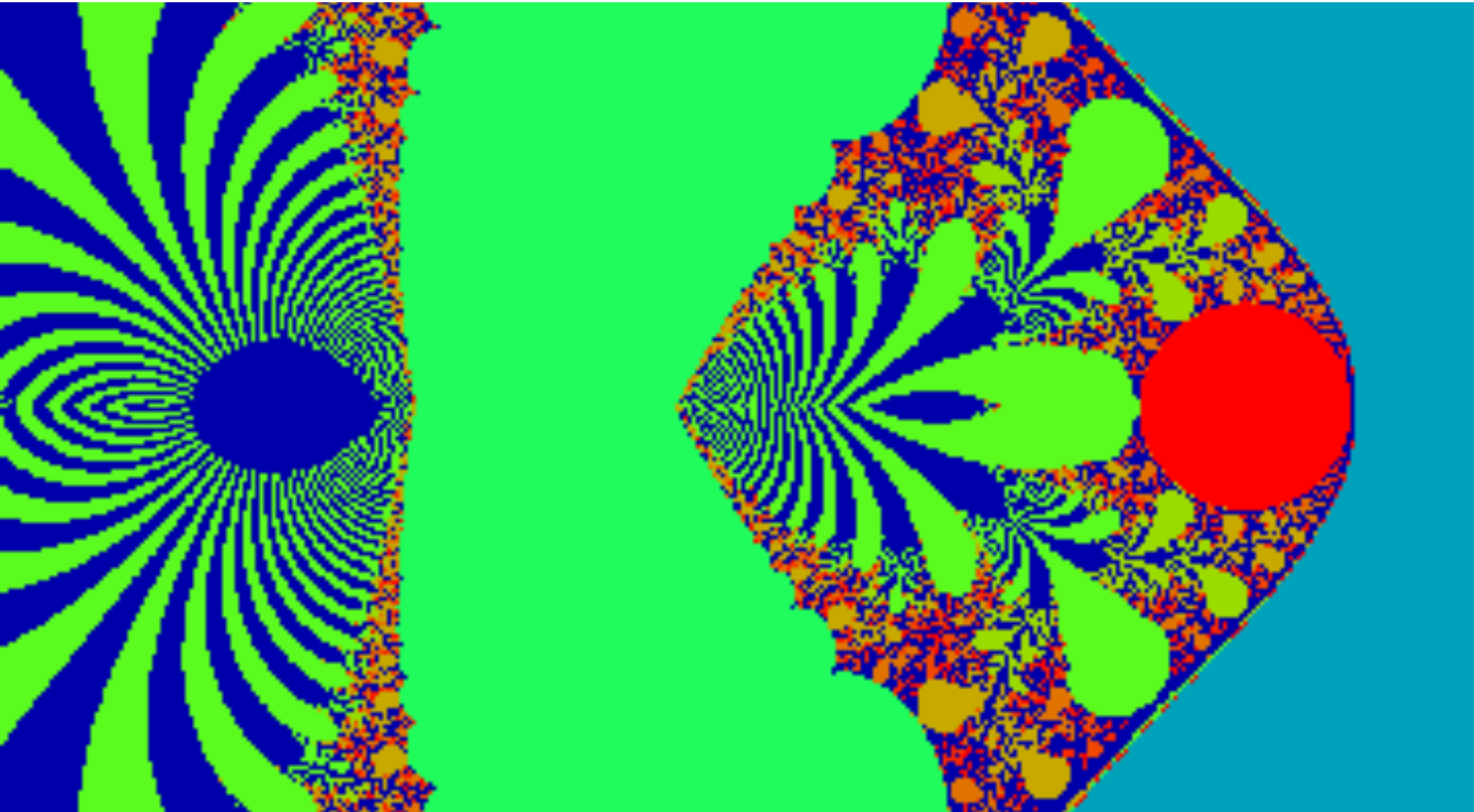
Challenge: color according to periodicity not divergent iter#

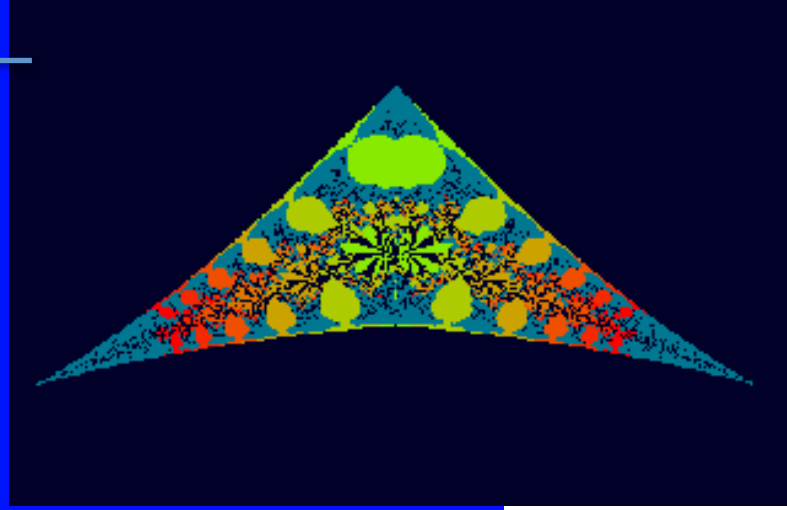
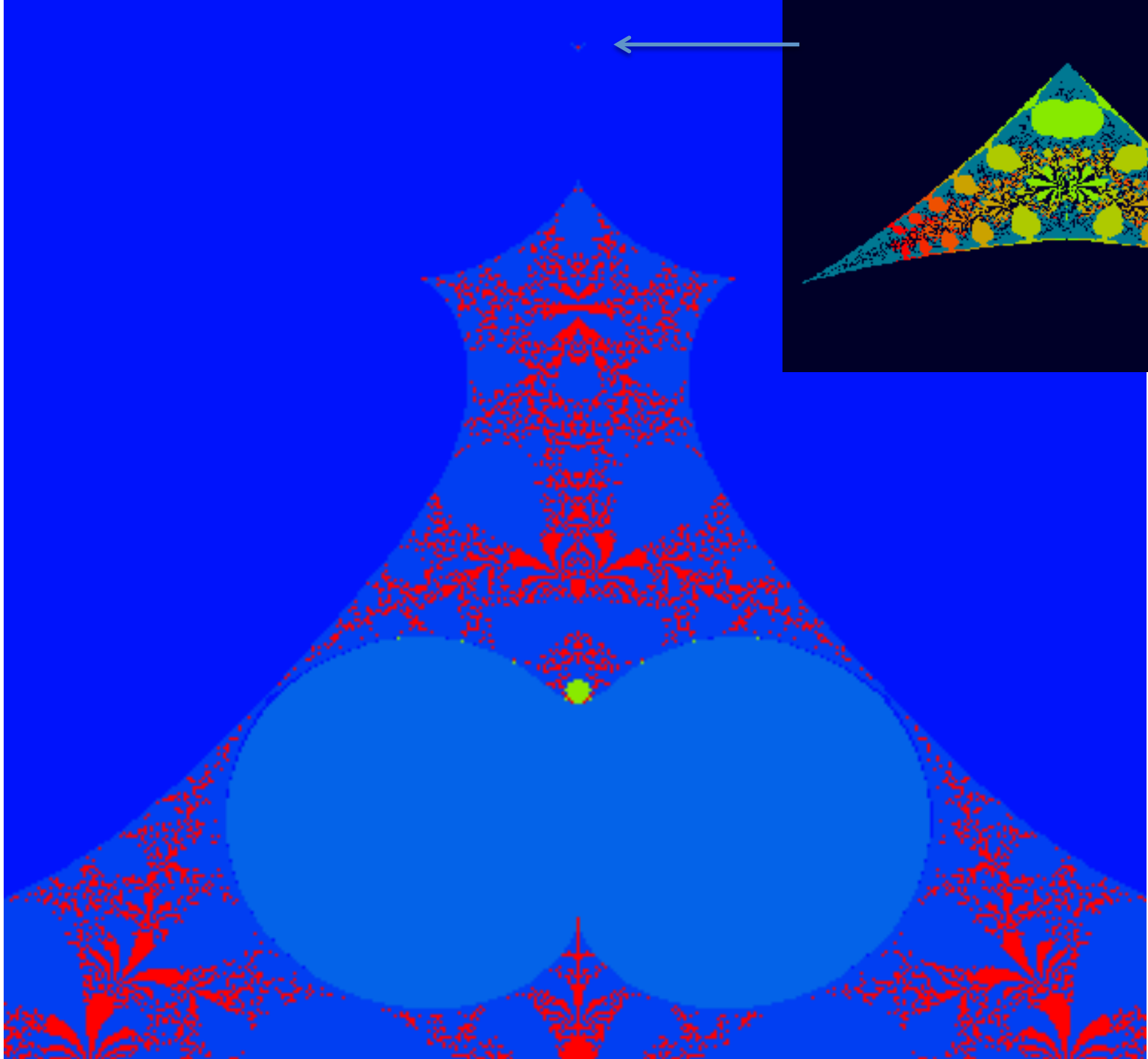
Exponential fractal

- <http://planets.utsc.utoronto.ca/~pawel/iii/fractal.html>



Fragment of Exponential Fractal





- **Random worlds**



Distribution of First 10 Million Digits of Pi



Monte Carlo methods

- Statistical physics is mostly about randomness, entropy, mean values, random walks, and fluctuations.
- Frequent use of “random numbers” is not new, it started before the electronic computer era, but it became popular in computer calculations 70+ years ago, at the time when random, virtual histories of particles of radiation (n , p , e , γ) were needed to model the interaction of radiation with matter, among others, to design (thermo)nuclear bombs.
- *Casino de Monte Carlo, Monaco*



featured in James Bond 007 movies such as (I think): Golden Eye, Live and Let Die, Casino Royale, and one more I cannot recall.

Monte Carlo, Monaco



MteCarlo methods

- We rely on *pseudo*random numbers? (*truly* random numbers are generated in nature. In math, decimal digits of π do *appear* to be truly random)
- Such numbers are uncorrelated*, but form a unique sequence that, if needed, can be repeated.
- Without repeatability, re-running MteCarlo programs to find bugs would be impossible, previous problems may disappear and new ones appear. At least during testing, we need to start from the same so-called seed value.

* - what else must be uncorrelated? (recall the story of Enigma). Mistakes were made in some old 'random' number generator algorithms that led to correlations!



Random numbers

$$n = 3000, \pi \approx 3.1133$$

- Generation of uniform and normal pseudorandom numbers
 - [hist1.py](#)
 - [histo3.py](#)
- Two random points on 1D interval (problem 4, set #2 of assignments)
- Three random points on a circle (what is the chance that they form a triangle that includes the center of the circle?)
- Four random points on a sphere (what is the chance that they form a tetrahedron that includes the center of the sphere?)

What is Monte Carlo?

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=stgYW6M5o4k> (Random Walks in Math)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BfS2H1y6tzQ> (Random Walks, Python)

- Random walks on a line, in a forest, and inside the sun
- Radioactive isotope decay
- Radiation transfer through opaque media
- Galton board <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EvHiee7gs9Y>

