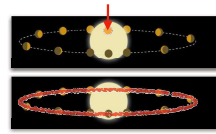


Jargon

Let's recap on the established jargon!

Quantity	Definition
Geometric albedo	Albedo at zero phase angle (superior conjunction)
Spherical albedo	Albedo over all phase angles
Bond albedo	Spherical albedo over all wavelengths
Phase integral	Ratio of spherical to geometric albedo
Single-scattering albedo	Fraction of light scattered in a single event



$$A_B = \frac{\int A_g I_\star d\lambda}{\int I_\star d\lambda}$$

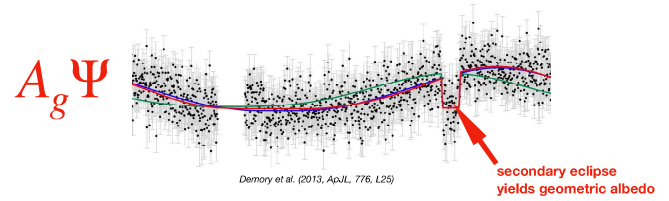
$$q = \frac{A_B}{A_g} = 2 \int_0^\pi \Psi \sin \alpha d\alpha$$

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Re-interpreting phase curves

Standard practice so far:
Fit shape and amplitude of phase curve independently using an ad hoc series of sinusoidal functions



With our newly discovered solutions:
Shape and amplitude are determined by a set of fundamental parameters.

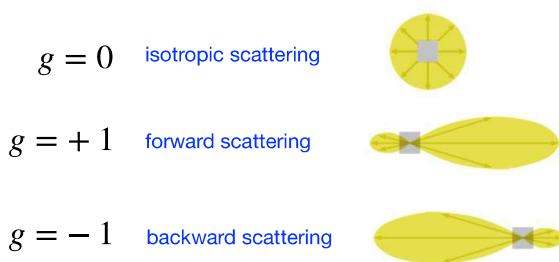
$$A_g(\omega, g)$$

$$\Psi(\omega, g)$$

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Heng, Morris & Kitzmann (2021, Nature Astronomy, 5, 1001)

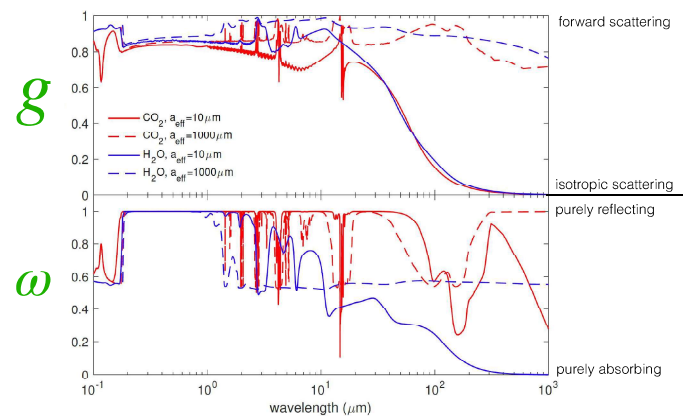
Review: scattering asymmetry factor



Rayleigh scattering: almost isotropic!

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Examples: CO₂ versus H₂O ice particles



CO₂ ice is a better scatterer of infrared radiation

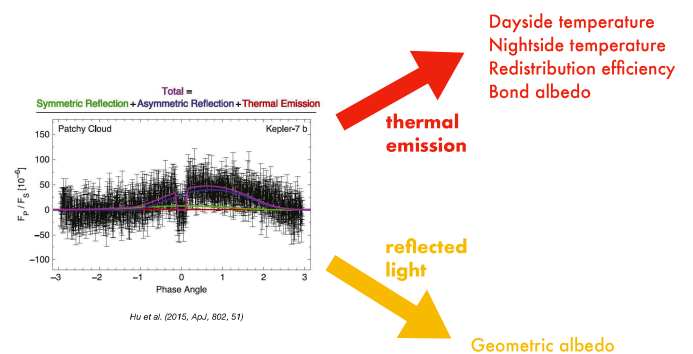
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Heng & Kitzmann (2017, ApJ, 232, 20) + Kitzmann & Heng (2018, MNRAS, 476, 94)

Application to data: case studies

- Kepler phase curve of hot Jupiter Kepler-7b
- Population study of a (small) sample of hot Jupiters
- Cassini phase curves of Jupiter
- Cassini phase curves of Enceladus
- CHEOPS occultation of hot Jupiter HD 209458b
- CHEOPS occultation of hot Jupiter HD 189733b
- Holistic interpretation framework for JWST + ARIEL [in progress]

How Do We Interpret Phase Curves? Standard Practice



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