# Irradiated Atmospheres: Hot and Very Hot Jupiters

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#### Hot Jupiters:

Two classes of planets emerge.

Irradiation is one of the main factor that determines the atmospheric properties.

Other factors can be important, e.g. metallicity, eccentricity.



#### The Cold Trap:

If P-T profile crosses a condensation curve, the species mix down to highest pressure.

Two classes of Hot Jupiters:

Analogous to the star classification: OBAFGKM(LTY)

Planets with an inversion layer: • pM class Those without: • pL class

#### Relevant species TiO/VO (Hubeny '03).



The chemistry is complex (Lodders & Fegley '06).

# Absorption as a function of Pressure:



pL class atmospheres:

• Na & K absorption lines.

 $\cdot$  H<sub>2</sub>O is the major absorber.

 $\cdot$  At 4.1 bar, about 10<sup>3</sup> less flux is absorbed than at 0.45 mbar

# Absorption as a function of Pressure:

pM class atmospheres:

- TiO & VO bands absorption in optical.
- $\cdot$  Some H<sub>2</sub>O absorption.

• by 43 mbar almost all incident radiation has been absorbed.



# Absorption as a function of Pressure:



• pM class have much greater incident stellar flux than pL.
• Deposited mainly in higher layer.

# Thermal Emission as a function of Pressure:



pL class atmospheres:

 $\cdot$  NIR & MIR H<sub>2</sub>O bands cool the atmosphere above 43 mbar.

• Deeper, emission of water bands at shorter wavelengths.

# Thermal Emission as a function of Pressure:

pM class atmospheres:

• Top: much higher temp. to radiate the absorbed energy.

 $\cdot$  H<sub>2</sub>O and TiO/VO bands emission.

• At 420 mbar, the temp. rises again.



# Thermal Emission as a function of Pressure:

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 $\cdot$  In general the emission in pL occurs in pressures 1 order of magnitude greater than in pM.

#### Radiative Time:

A disturbance in temperature returns to equilibrium in a characteristic time (*Showman & Guillot '02*):

 $au_{\rm rad} \sim rac{P}{g} rac{c_P}{4\sigma T^3}$ 

For pL and pM planets, differs in the thiner (observed) upper atmosphere.

![](_page_9_Figure_4.jpeg)

P-T profiles allow to calculate  $\tau_{rad}$ along the atmosphere (dotted lines).

# Energy Redistribution:

Defining an advective timescale (*Showman & Guillot '02*):

$$\tau_{\rm advec} = \frac{R_p}{U}$$

Estimate winds necessary to redistribute energy on the planet  $(\tau_{adv} = \tau_{rad}).$ 

#### Predicts:

• Hottest part at substellar point in pM.

• Higher day/night-side temperature contrasts for pM than pL.

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#### Does all this really work?

• ups And b have large day/night-side temperature contrasts (*Harrington '06*).

• As well as HD 179949 b (*Cowan '07*).

• HD 189733 b show small contrast ~240 K (*Knutson '07*).

• HD 149026 b have bright secondary eclipses (*Harrington '07*).

• Also HD 209458 b (*Knutson '08*).

• TrES-1 is no more than 20% brighter than  $T_{eq}$  (*Deming '05*).

![](_page_11_Figure_7.jpeg)