Contributing Astronomer Presentations Review

Fix your notes and use them to get ready for the test

Aristotle

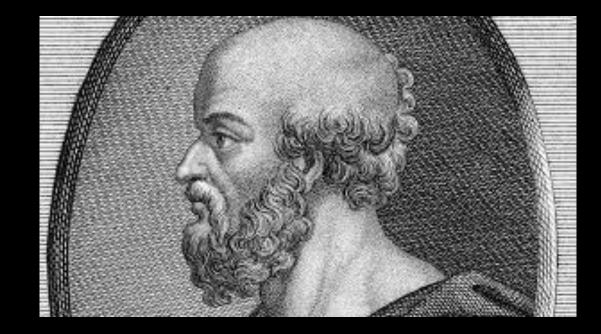
- 1st scientist to use the scientific methods (father of science)
- Discovered that the Earth was a sphere and thought that the Earth was the center of the universe.

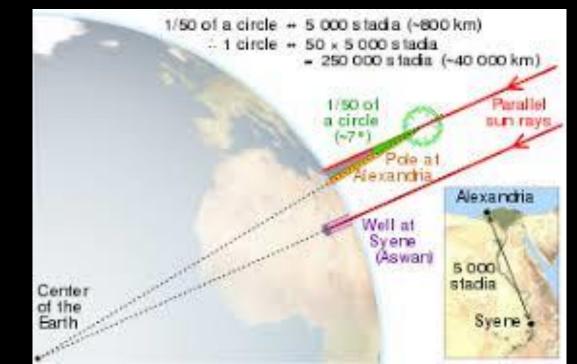




Eratosthenes

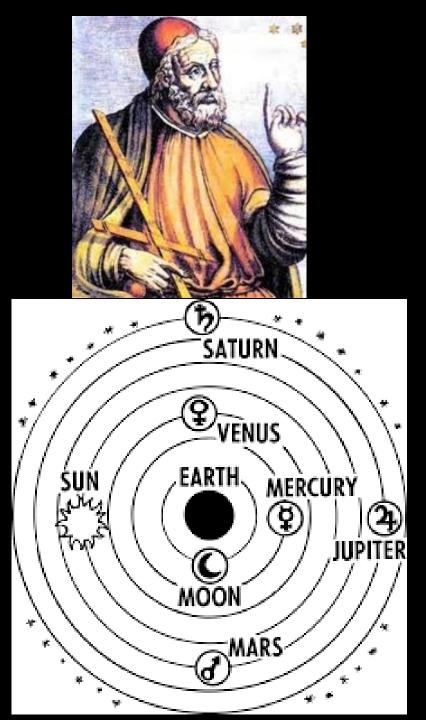
- Accurately measured the circumference of the Earth
- first to use lines of longitude and latitude





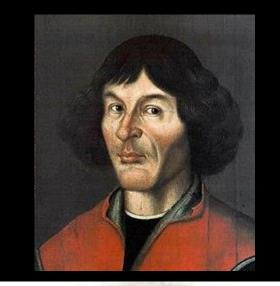
Ptolemy

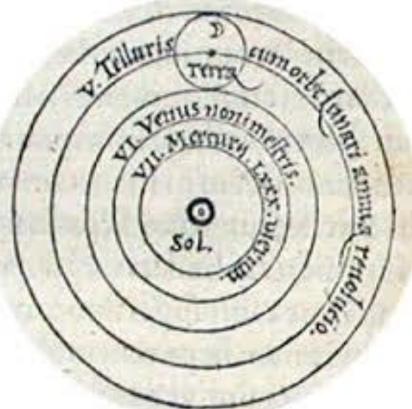
- Taught the Geocentric model of the solar system (Earthcentered)
- The Geocentric model stood for the next 1,400 years



Nicolaus Copernicus

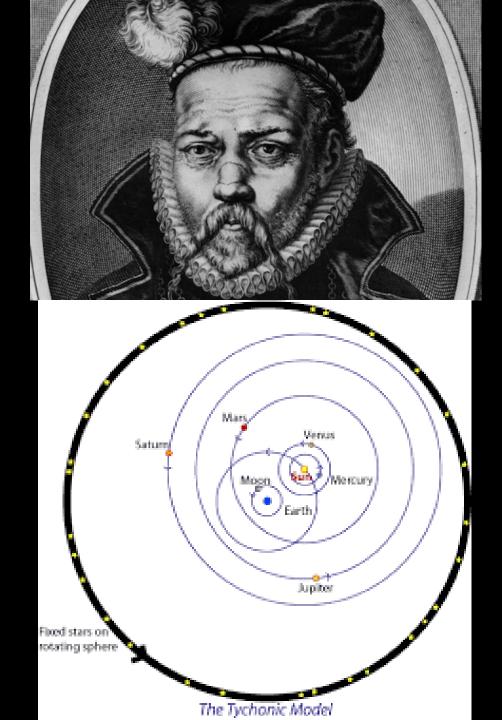
- First to propose the Heliocentric model of the solar system
- Taught that the Earth and planets orbit the sun in perfect circles.





Tycho Brahe

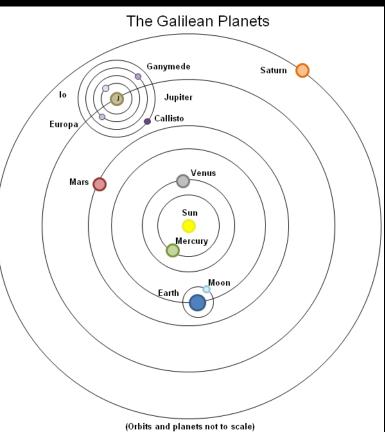
- Charted stars and planets with great accuracy
- Later Astronomers used his data to make their discoveries



Galileo Galilei

- Gravity: 2 Objects of different weight will fall at the same speed
- Spent the last years of his life in house arrest for teaching the Heliocentric model of the solar system

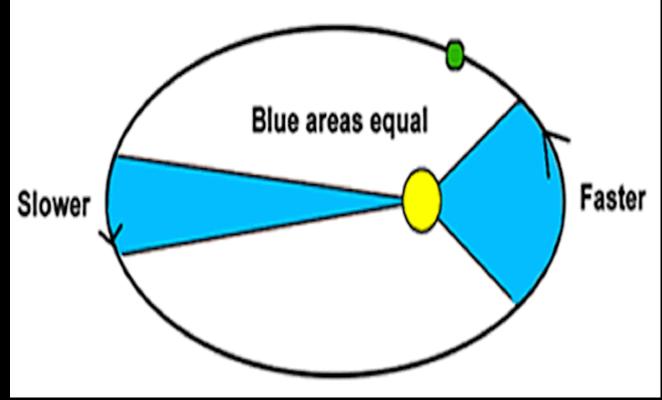




Johannes Kepler

- The shape of the orbit of the planets is an ellipse
- Planets travel fastest when they are closest to the sun

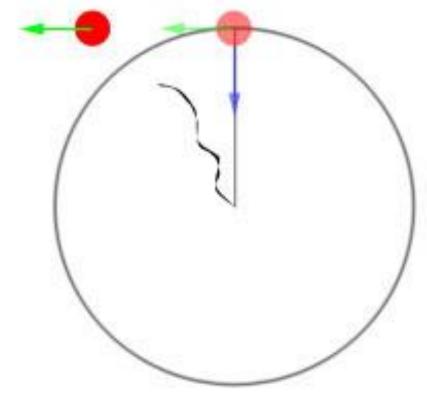




Isaac Newton

- Invented the reflecting telescope
- An object (planet) travels in a straight line unless acted upon by an outside force (gravity)





Caroline Herschel

- Made more and more powerful telescopes
- First female astronomer to discover a comet





Maria Mitchell

- First female American astronomer, and first American to discover a comet
- Promoted the idea that girls need to get more involved in science





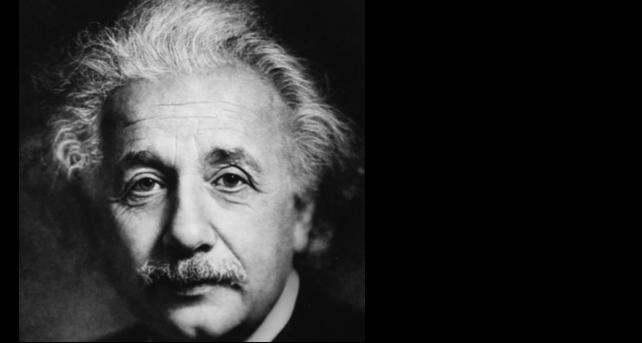
Henrietta Swan Leavitt

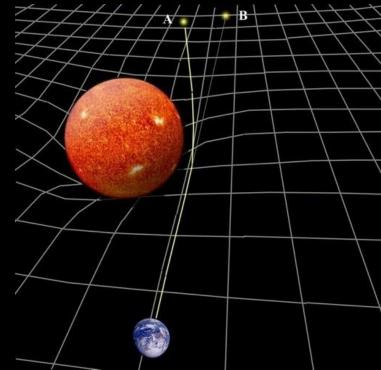
- Very fast at star brightness classification
- Cepheid variable stars help determine the distance of a star from the Earth



Albert Einstein

- Light bends when effected by gravity
- Tried to unify all forces of the universe into a single theory

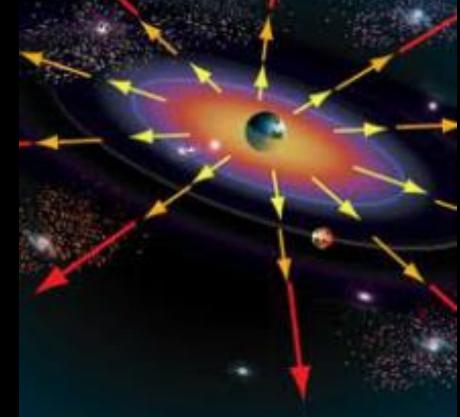




Edwin Hubble

- Classified galaxies by their shape
- Galaxies are all moving away from Earth, the Big Bang

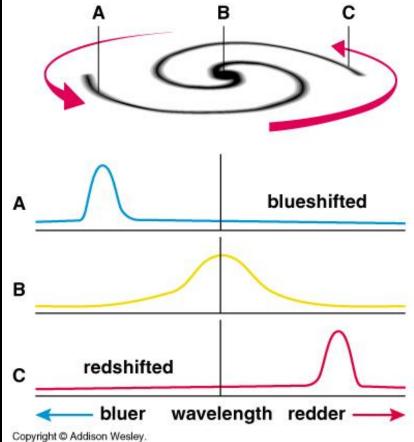




Vera Rubin

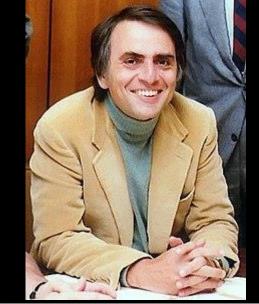
- Stars at the edges of galaxies move faster than they should
- Dark matter is causing the edges of galaxies to speed up

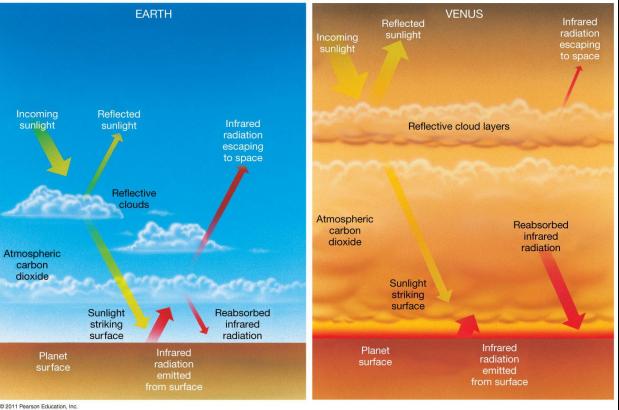




Carl Sagan

- Discovered that the runaway greenhouse effect explains Venus's high temperature
- Pioneered exobiology in looking for life on other planets

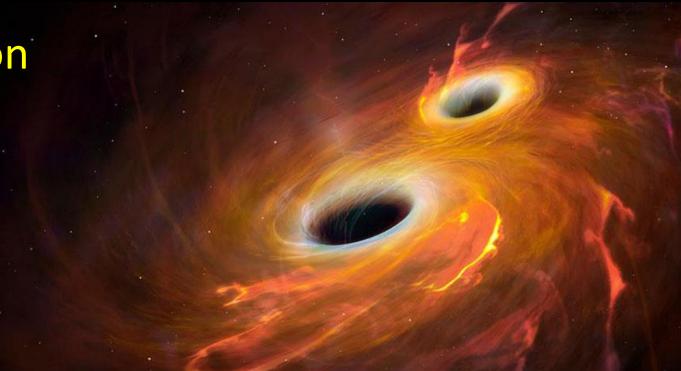




Stephen Hawking

- Space and time began at the Big Bang and will end in black holes
- Black holes emit radiation and will evaporate and disappear



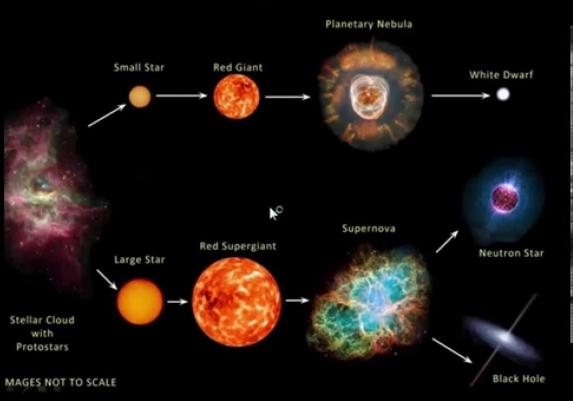


Neil deGrasse Tyson

- Science communicator and host of TV show Cosmos
- Studied stellar evolution, and stellar formation



EVOLUTION OF STARS



Sally Ride

- First American female astronaut
- Youngest American astronaut to go to space



The End

