

V 566 Oph

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RESUME : V 566 Oph est une variable à éclipses dont l' (O – C) augmente depuis un demi-siècle. Une représentation parabolique de cette croissance durant l'époque 1952 – 2016 permet de penser que la période de V 566 Oph augmente de 2.8 secondes par siècle. En 2016, cette période était de $0.409\ 65\ 87\ j \pm 0.000\ 00\ 11$.

ABSTRACT : V566 Oph is a EW binary star whose (O-C) has been increasing for half a century . A parabolic representation of this rise during the period 1952-2016 suggests that the length of the period of V566 Oph increases by 2.8 seconds per century.

In 2016 , this period was : $0.409\ 6587\ d \pm 0.000\ 0011\ d$.

RIASSUNTO : I valori degli O-C della variabile a eclisse V566 Oph mostrano un aumento da una cinquantina d'anni. Il fit con una parabola dei minimi osservati fra il 1952 e il 2016 suggerisce che il periodo orbitale aumenti di 2.8 secondi per secolo. Nel 2016 il valore del periodo era di $0.409\ 65\ 87 \pm 0.000\ 00\ 11$ giorni.

RESUMEN : V 566 Oph es una variable eclipsante cuyo (O - C) aumenta desde medio siglo. Una representación parabólica de este crecimiento durante el período 1952 - 2016 sugiere que el período de V 566 Oph aumenta en 2,8 segundos por siglo. En 2016, este período fue de $0,4096587\ d \pm 0,0000011\ d$.

1 .INTRODUCTION

V 566 Oph is a EW binary star with a F4 V spectrum. It varies from 7.46 to 7.96 with a secondary minimum at 7.89.

Its position : $\alpha = 17h\ 56m\ 52.4s$ $\delta = + 4^{\circ}\ 59'\ 15''3$ (2000)

The GCVS [1] gives the ephemeris : $\text{Min I} = 2\ 441\ 835.8617 + 0.409\ 64\ 569\ E$.

In this paper, we note : $T_0 = 2\ 441\ 835.8617$ and $P_0 = 0.409\ 64\ 569\ d$.

In October 2003, a NOTE CIRCULAIRE (NC 988) summarized the observations from 1998 to 2002. We noted a rise of the (O-C), which seemed to stabilize at the end of 2002. This paper describes the continuation of these observations until 2016 and goes back to 1952 to better observe the evolution of the (O-C).

For the visual observations, we used the comparison stars :

C : HD 163 442	V = 7.38	Spectrum B8
D : HD 163 489	V = 7.83	Spectrum K2
E : HD 163 697	V = 8.66	Spectrum F5

2. The OBSERVATIONS

From 2003 to 2016, 2771 visual measurements hold 77 primary minima and 53 secondary minima. During this period, we received observations from Michel Dumont (DMT) 2245 estimates, Stéphane Ferrand (FND) 506 estimates and Serge Kuchto 14 estimates. While we observed visually, we never used ephemeris, to avoid any kind of suggestion.

DMT has the idea that the primary eclipses are deeper than formerly :

During 1982 – 89	the average magnitude of the minimum was	7.77	($\sigma = 0.083$)
1990 – 2000		7.80	($\sigma = 0.094$)
2003 – 2016		8.06	($\sigma = 0.088$)

But the verification of this trend requires CCD measurements.

By visual observations, it is almost impossible to distinguish Min I and Min II, whose difference is around 0.05 magnitude.

The figure 1 shows the light curve obtained by FND in 2016 with 511 measurements (phase diagram according to ephemeris T_0, P_0).

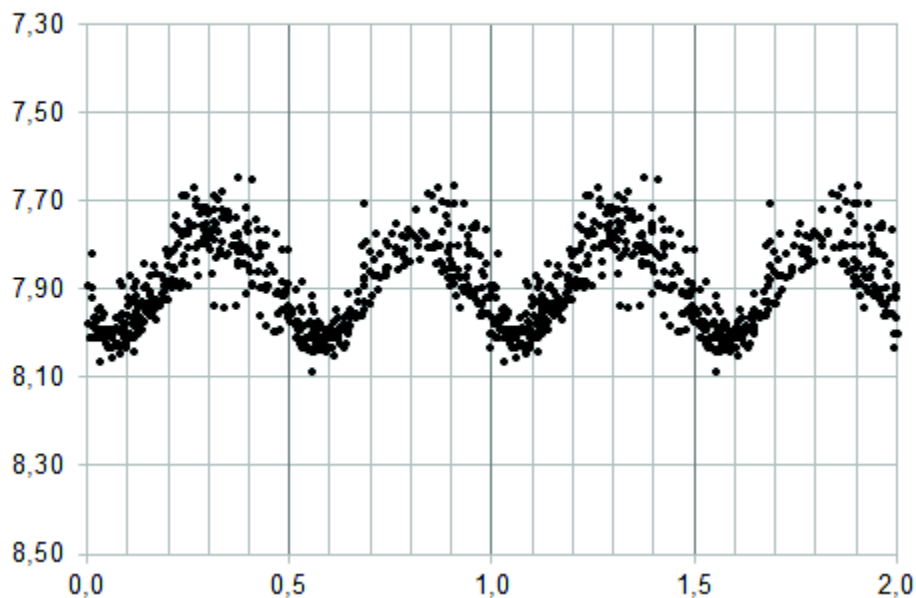


Figure 1 : V566 Oph in 2016 - FND -

The following table gathers the information about the primary minima observed by FND and DMT during the period 1998 – 2016 ; we added old minima observed by FND, DMT and PMP (Carlo PAMPALONI) and many minima previously published in 1988 [3], from 1952 to 1987 ; we do not

use all the minima of [3], but minima regularly stretched in time.

In this table, we find successively :

- The date
- The time UT of the minimum
- The heliocentric Julian date (HJD)
- The probable error expressed in days
- The phase according to T_0 and P_0
- (O-C) expressed in days ; (O-C) = phase . P_0
- The author of the observation.

Date	UT	HJD 24...+	err..	Phase	O-C	Author
01/08/1952		34226,3572		0,18024708	0,07383744	Fresa
18/05/1953		34515,5639		0,17254008	0,0706803	Kwee
03/08/1953		34593,3956		0,17014508	0,0696992	Kwee
29/05/1957		35987,8129		0,12955205	0,05307044	Binnendijk
10/07/1958		36395,4056		0,11792847	0,04830889	Purgathofer/Widorn
03/01/1959		36728,4452		0,11220164	0,04596292	Purgathofer/Widorn
05/07/1959		36755,4810		0,1102108	0,04514738	Purgathofer/Widorn
10/06/1964		38557,4900		0,05555306	0,02275707	Schnell/Widorn
12/07/1964		38589,4423		0,05539726	0,02269325	Schnell/Widorn
13/06/1966		39289,9288		0,03677166	0,01506335	Bookmyer
12/07/1966		39319,4218		0,03313515	0,01357367	Minti/Dinescu
09/07/1968		40047,3580		0,02290404	0,00938254	Pohl/Kizihrmak
15/07/1969		40418,4931		0,01339548	0,0054874	Pohl/Kizihrmak
21/08/1970		40820,3490		0,99747467	-0,00103449	Popovici
17/06/1971		41119,8018		0,0018702	0,00076612	Scarfe/Barlow
02/08/1971		41165,6840		0,00646617	0,00264884	Kaitchuk/Sprague
10/06/1972		41479,4703		0,00085513	0,0003503	Kizihrmak/Pohl
02/06/1973		41835,8617		0	0	GCVS
02/06/1973		41835,8616		0,99975589	-0,0001	Scarfe/Barlow
25/05/1974		42193,4828		0,00100729	0,00041263	Pohl/Kizihrmak
01/07/1974		42230,3329		0,95703734	-0,01759947	Popovici
28/07/1974		42257,3880		0,00216038	0,00088499	Pop/Torodan
16/09/1974		42307,3612		0,99343533	-0,00268919	Pop/Torodan
05/05/1975		42537,5770		0,98103979	-0,00776697	Pop/Torodan
30/05/1975		42563,3940		0,00379489	0,00155456	Pop/Torodan
26/06/1975		42590,4300		0,00229227	0,00093902	Pop/Torodan
30/07/1975		42624,4277		0,99523186	-0,00195325	Pop/Torodan
28/07/1976		42987,7861		0,00175693	0,00071972	Scarfe/Barlow
18/05/1977		43281,5037		0,00576105	0,00235999	Pohl/Gülmen
02/06/1978		43662,4770		0,01261649	0,00516829	Ebersberger/Pohl/Kizihrmak
16/06/1980		44406,8073		0,02257941	0,00924956	Scarfe et al
10/08/1980		44462,4890	0,004	0,9490675	-0,02086428	PMP
25/05/1981		44750,4901		0,99832941	-0,00068435	Mahdi/Soliman
25/06/1981		44780,8121		0,01839294	0,00753459	Scarfe et al
28/07/1981		44814,4060	0,004	0,02560264	0,01048801	PMP
01/08/1981		44818,4930	0,002	0,00251708	0,00103111	PMP
06/08/1981		44823,3960	0,007	0,97139682	-0,01171717	PMP
09/08/1981		44826,2739		0,9967362	-0,001337	Mahdi/Soliman

25/05/1982	23h 31,5	45115,4849	0,006	0,99952608	-0,00019414	FND
24/06/1982		45144,5759		0,01455372	0,00596187	Seeds/Dawson
19/07/1982		45169,9749		0,01691484	0,00692909	Kennedy
23/07/1982	23h 34	45174,4863	0,009	0,02984652	0,0122265	FND
26/07/1982	1h 00,5	45176,5463	0,010	0,05858245	0,02399805	FND
01/08/1982		45183,4926		0,01543119	0,00632132	Pohl et al
15/08/1982		45197,0117		0,01736513	0,00711355	Kennedy
17/08/1982	23h 45	45199,4925	0,006	0,07333022	0,03003941	DMT
26/08/1982		45207,6598		0,01080351	0,00442561	Seeds/Dawson
31/08/1982	21h 29	45213,3969	0,008	0,01583307	0,00648595	FND
15/06/1983	1h 07	45500,5517	0,007	0,99916333	-0,00034274	DMT
27/06/1983		45512,8463		0,01192875	0,00488656	Scarfe et al
28/06/1983	23h 50	45514,4982	0,010	0,04443791	0,0182038	DMT
08/08/1983		45554,6307		0,01324603	0,00542618	Seeds/Dawson
13/08/1983	0h 49	45559,5435	0,010	0,00604889	0,0024779	FND
30/04/1984	0h 12	45820,5117	0,007	0,06438093	0,02637337	FND
10/06/1984	23h 18	45861,4759	0,008	0,06348015	0,02600437	DMT
25/06/1984	22h 25	45877,4392	0,007	0,03203368	0,01312246	FND
04/07/1984	22h 30	45886,4425	0,010	0,01029495	0,00421728	FND
06/07/1984	23h 54	45888,5008	0,008	0,03488095	0,01428883	FND
27/07/1984	1h 48	45908,5792	0,007	0,04894478	0,02005002	FND
30/08/1984	21h 29,5	45943,3974	0,004	0,04483477	0,01836637	FND
31/08/1984		45943,7952		0,01591785	0,00652068	Seeds/Dawson
09/06/1986	22h 40	46591,4495	0,010	0,02681534	0,01098479	DMT
23/06/1986	1h 28	46604,5663	0,010	0,0466811	0,01912271	DMT
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17/06/1987		46963,8253		0,04602167	0,01885258	Hobart/Gomez/Pena
20/06/1988	0h 12	47332,5135	0,006	0,06330246	0,02593158	DMT
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18/08/1988	0h 25	47391,5202	0,012	0,10656092	0,04365222	DMT
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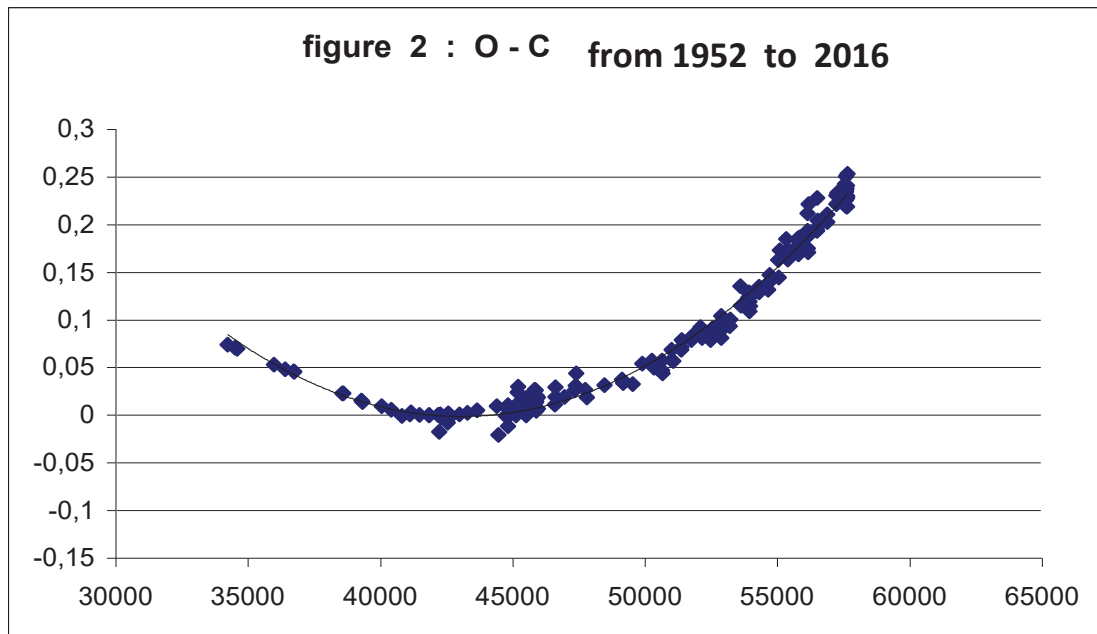
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23/07/2009	22h 38	55036,4474	0,006	0,39786929	0,16298544	DMT
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25/09/2009	20h 42	55100,3622	0,007	0,42245727	0,1730578	DMT
23/05/2010	22h 07	55340,4261	0,007	0,45059295	0,18458346	DMT
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14/07/2010	22h 27	55392,4402	0,008	0,42397817	0,17368083	DMT
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02/10/2011	19h 41	55837,3192	0,006	0,43320727	0,17746149	DMT
20/07/2012	22h 14	56129,4309	0,006	0,51699438	0,21178452	DMT
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31/07/2013	23h 07,5	56505,4675	0,006	0,47270386	0,1936411	DMT
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14/08/2013	21h 40	56519,4059	0,012	0,49820527	0,20408764	DMT
16/08/2014	22h 39	56886,4467	0,005	0,49396199	0,2023494	DMT
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13/07/2015	22h 55	57217,4597	0,006	0,54103311	0,22163188	DMT
16/07/2015	0h 17	57219,5166	0,006	0,56220152	0,23030343	DMT

08/09/2015	21h 52	57274,4123	0,006	0,56995832	0,23348097	DMT
08/06/2016	23,25 h	57548,4740	0,013	0,5912777	0,24221436	FND
15/07/2016	0h 02	57584,5061	0,005	0,55046018	0,22549364	DMT
15/07/2016	0,28 h	57584,5160	0,017	0,57462741	0,23539364	FND
24/07/2016	0,54 h	57593,5270	0,006	0,5716854	0,23418846	FND
26/07/2016	21,77 h	57596,4110	0,006	0,6119157	0,25066863	FND
28/07/2016	22h 10	57598,4277	0,007	0,53495053	0,21914018	DMT
02/08/2016	20,59 h	57603,3620	0,013	0,58023777	0,2376919	FND
22/08/2016	22h 11	57623,4268	0,009	0,56110218	0,22985309	DMT
22/08/2016	22,45 h	57623,4380	0,006	0,58844288	0,24105309	FND
24/08/2016	23h 20	57625,4745	0,010	0,55981216	0,22932464	DMT
24/08/2016	23,3 h	57625,4730	0,008	0,55615046	0,22782464	FND
05/09/2016	20,44 h	57637,3530	0,013	0,55682175	0,22809963	FND
07/09/2016	21h 38	57639,4026	0,006	0,56016989	0,22947118	DMT
07/09/2016	21,38 h	57639,3920	0,013	0,53429387	0,21887118	FND
21/09/2016	20,50 h	57653,3540	0,013	0,61740603	0,25291772	FND

3. EVOLUTION OF THE (O – C)

Contrary to the hypothesis formulated in the NC 988, the (O-C) pursued their increase after a short inflection (around JD 2 452 500).

Figure 2 shows the evolution of (O-C) from 1952 to 2016.



These (O – C) follow almost a parabola whose equation is :

$$(1) \quad y = 1,088 \cdot 10^{-9} x^2 - 9,363 \cdot 10^{-5} x + 2,01397$$

where y is the (O – C) for the date x ; x is noted 0 at the date 2 400 000 (i.e. $x = 43 500$ if $JD = 24 43500$).

To establish the accuracy of the observed (O – C), we have computed the difference : $\Delta = \{ (O-C) \text{ given by the equation (1) } - \text{observed (O-C)}\}$; then we calculated the mean value of $|\Delta| = 0.0073$, then the standard deviation $\sigma = 0.0100$.

We can state with a probability of 95% that the accuracy of our observed (O-C) is 2σ , that is to say 0.02 day. We adopted this confidence interval.

The parabolic evolution of the (O-C) may suggest that the period of V566 Oph increases regularly by α at every cycle.

The minimum of (O-C) occurred when $y' = 0$ (y' is the derivative of y) ; then $x = 43\,028.5$, September 1976. Before this date, the period of V566 Oph was shorter than P_0 ; at that time ($y' = 0$) the period was P_0 , then the period is longer than P_0 . (It is obvious that the minimum of (O-C) is not a minimum of the period, but a passing of the period over P_0).

Let T_m the time of the nearest primary minimum of JD 24 43028. At that time, $(O-C) = -0.0004$. Between T_m and our last observations, the time elapsed is $57\,640 - 43\,028$ days = 14 612 d. or 35 670 cycles. . The mean of the 10 last observed (O-C) is 0.2314. During 35 670 cycles, (O-C) passed from -0.0004 to 0.2314, therefore increased by 0.2318 d.

If the period increases every cycle by α , minima occur at :

$$T_m ; T_m + P_0 + \alpha ; T_m + 2 P_0 + 2 \alpha ; T_m + 3 P_0 + 3 \alpha ; \dots ; T_m + k P_0 + k \alpha$$

$$O - C = \alpha + 2\alpha + 3\alpha + \dots + k\alpha = \alpha (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + k) = \frac{1}{2} k (k + 1) \alpha$$

$$\alpha = 2 (O - C) / k (k + 1) = (2 \times 0, 2318) / (35\,670 \times 35671) = 3, 644 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ d. } \pm 3,15 \cdot 10^{-11}$$

$$\alpha = 0, 000\,0315 \text{ second } \pm 0, 000\,002\,7 \text{ s}$$

The period P_1 (summer 2016) was :

$$P_1 = P_0 + k \alpha = P_0 + 35\,670 \times 3, 644 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ d. } = 0. 409\,658\,7 \text{ d } \pm 0. 000\,001\,1 \text{ d.}$$

If the period increases with the same rate, its growth will be :

$$0,000\,0315 \times 36525 / P_0 = 2.8 \pm 0.1 \text{ seconds per century.}$$

We can compare this result with the 2.63 seconds computed in [3].

REMARK : The " Atlas of (O-C) diagrams of eclipsing binary stars "[4] gives the ephemeris : $24\,40418, 540 + 0.409\,64\,360$ (July 1969). In this atlas, the curve of the observed (O-C) has indeed a parabolic appearance ; the minimum of the parabola squares with a period of $0. 409\,64360 \text{ d}$, which occurred before T_0 , at around JD 24 41317 (beginning of 1972). Between 24 41317 and 24 43028 (the minimum of our curve), 1711 days have passed, that is 4176,8 cycles. We can check that this value is consistent with our value of α .

$$4176 \times 0.000\ 0315 = 0.1315 \text{ second} = 0.000\ 001\ 522 \text{ d}$$

The period P_2 is then $P_2 = 0.409\ 64\ 360 + 0.000\ 001\ 522 = 0.409\ 64\ 512 \text{ d}$.

$P_0 - P_2 = 0.000\ 000\ 57$ The difference is well situated in our confidence interval.

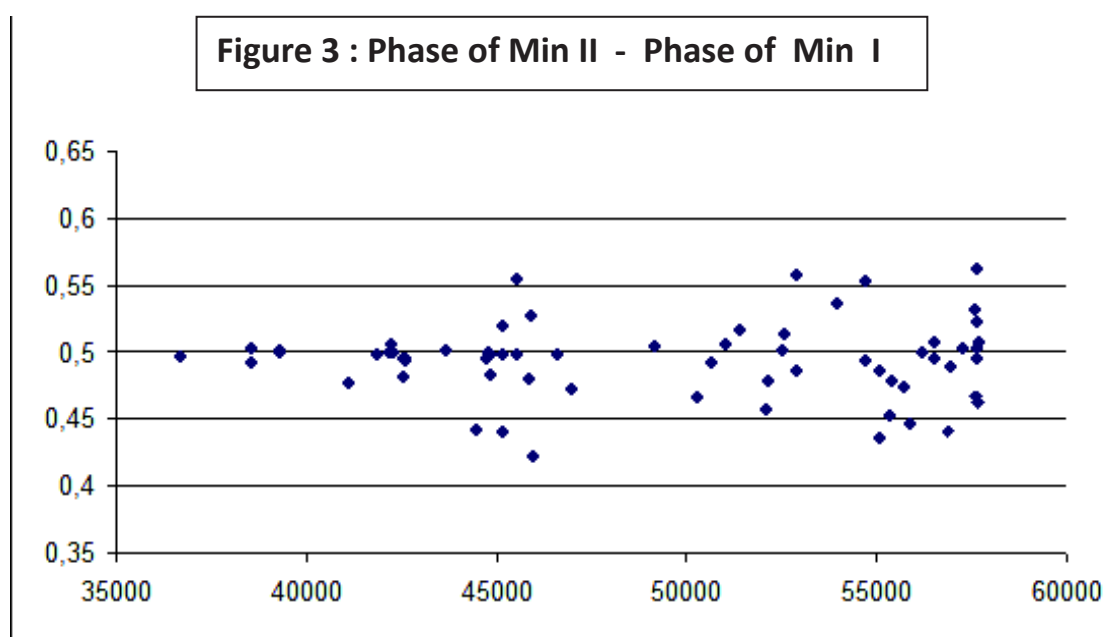
4. OBSERVATIONS OF SECONDARY MINIMA

In this paper, the purpose of the observation of the secondary minima is to check if the phase of secondary eclipses is stable with respect to the primary ones.

We chose in [3] and among our observations, pairs (Min I, Min II) as near as possible. We selected 65 such pairs ; for visual observations, both minima were obtained by the same observer.

Figure 3 shows the evolution in the time of : Phase of Min II - Phase of Min I.

We observe random distribution around the phase 0.5 ; no noticeable evolution has appeared for more than 50 years.



One can think that the scattering of these results exceeds our confidence interval (0.02 d for the observed (O-C)). Not at all !

Phase = $(O - C) / P$ and $P = 0.409\dots$ day , then the error on the phase is twice the error on (O-C) ; further, in the difference of two phases, the error increases once more by around 2 ; the error of 0.056 is quite normal !

Finally, we do not observe any rotation of the orbits, which are probably circular.

5. CONCLUSION

The period of V566 Oph increases regularly by 2.8 seconds per century and the orbits are stable.

With a period (in 2016) of $0.409\,6587\text{ d} \pm 0.000\,0011$ the two components form almost a contact binary. Mass transfer from one component to the other is likely ; loss of mass also occurs , the presence of giant planets can also produce this increase of the period.

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