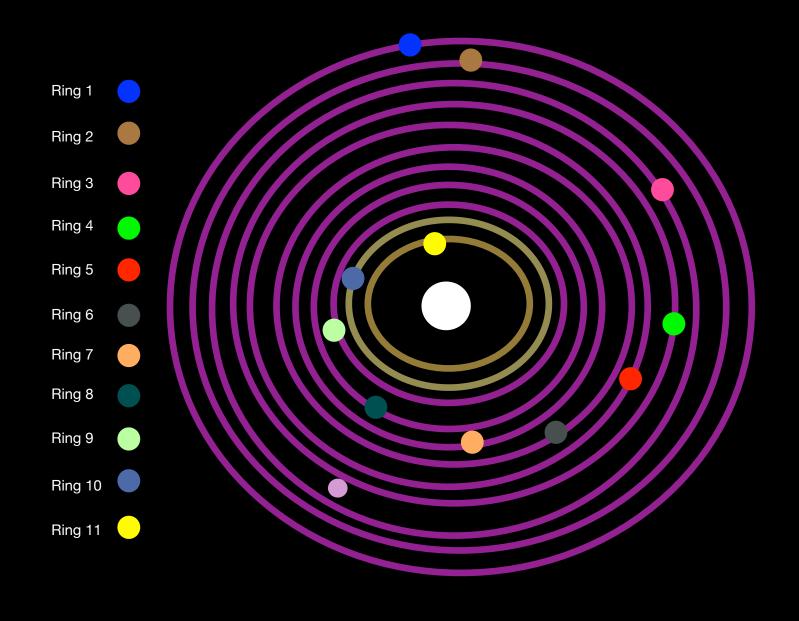
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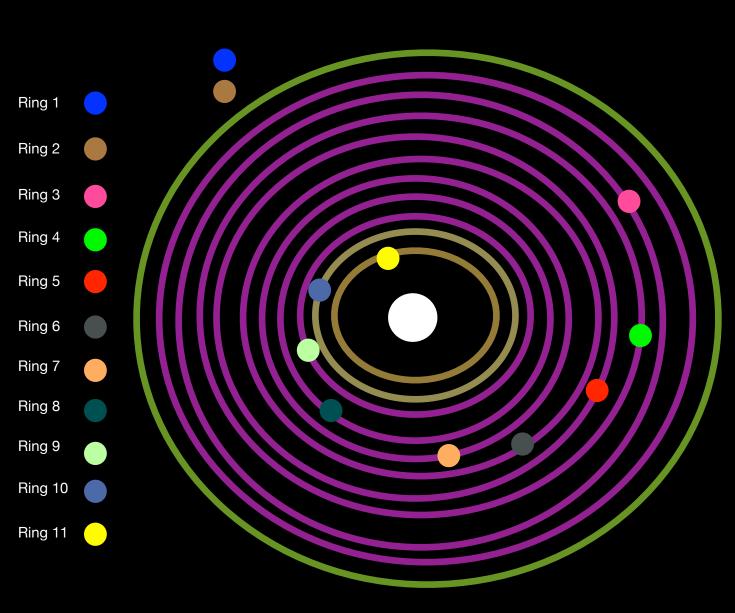
These two words start a question that can open doors. Whether stated or implied, a person making this type of inquiry starts to think outside of the box, not satisfied with the status quo. For example, a writer may ask this question when thinking about her next story. The phrase "What if" could help us in nearly any situation that we face.

What if we can explain the Tree-of-Life patterns by looking at the universe? What if astronomers in the future locate a distant solar system that has similar patterns to the movement of knowledge verses in the Book of Mormon. Undoubtedly, they probably would not know about the tree patterns in the Book of Mormon. Nevertheless, would they find strange movements intriguing? How would these planets move anyway? Let us explore.

Our solar system consists of 8 planets (9 with Pluto) revolving around the sun, each locked in an orbit. What if another solar system exists in deep space that has eleven planets with corresponding orbits and the capability to change orbits when necessary.

Below is an illustration of how that solar system may appear. The sun glows white with heat. The color of each planet is different; the orbs follow an individual, elliptical path. Two innermost orbits stand out from the others because of their own distinctive olive green appearances. All is well in that solar system for now.



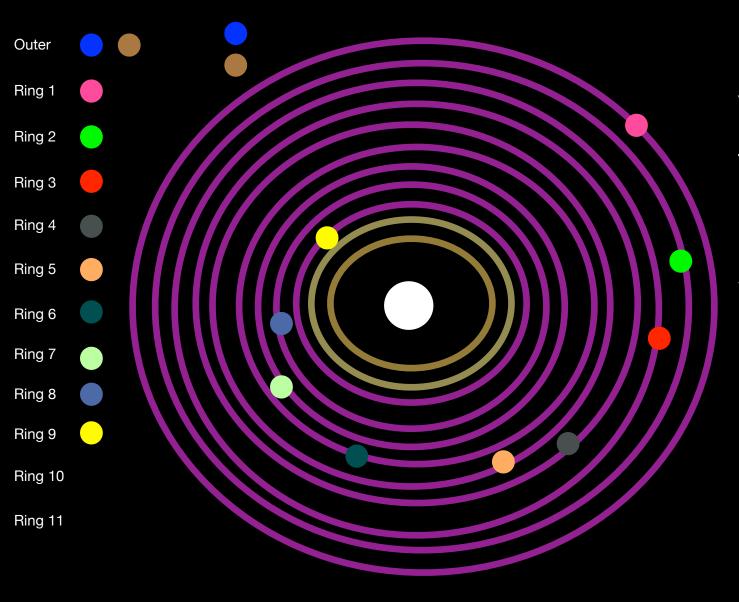


Something strange begins to happen.

The first or outer ring glows green.

Shortly afterward, the planets of the first two rings move totally out of orbit.

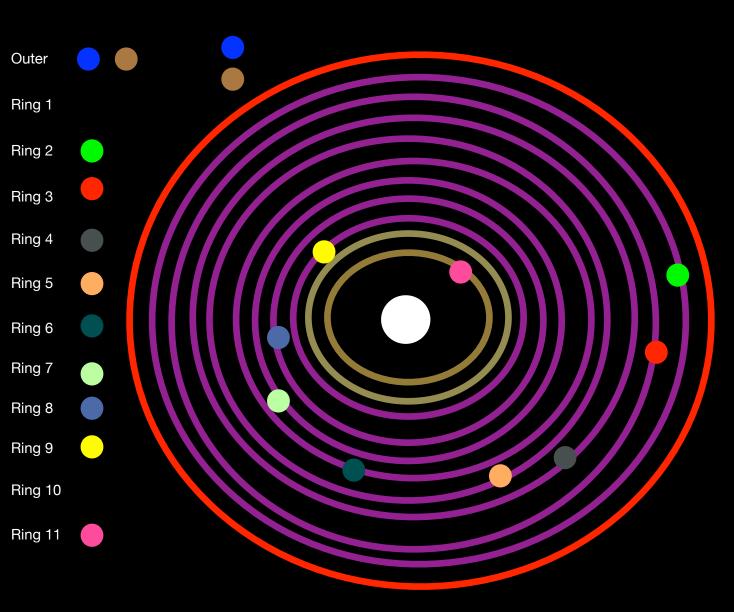
They seem to work in tandem with each other.



Next, the other planets move up two rings.

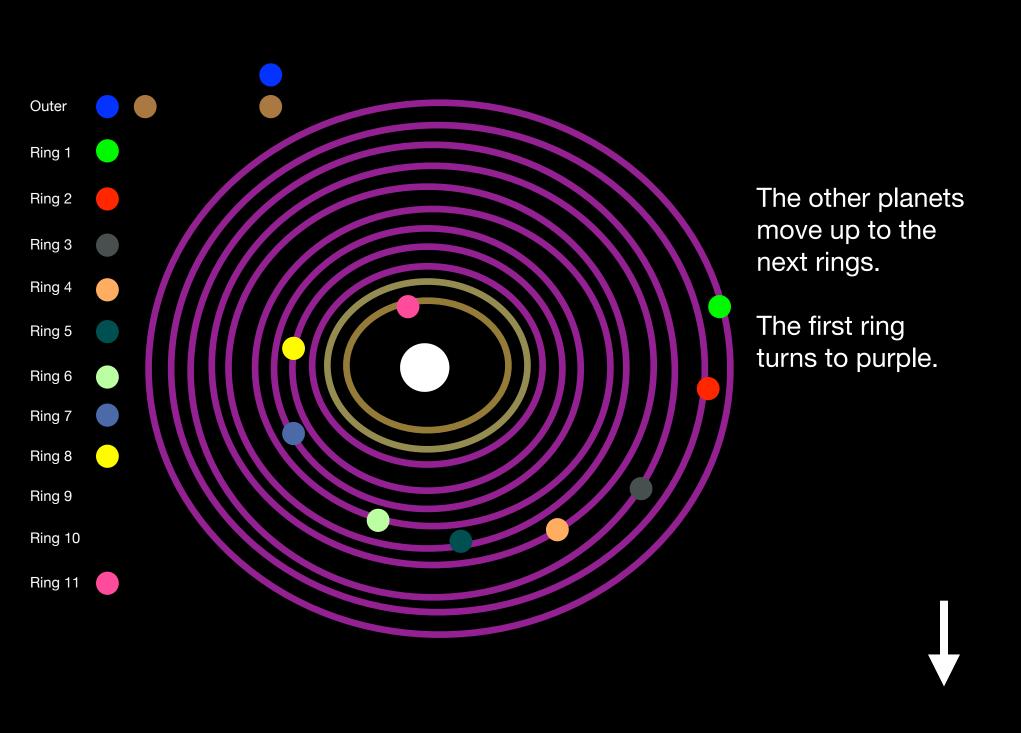
The legend to the left shows the changes, too.

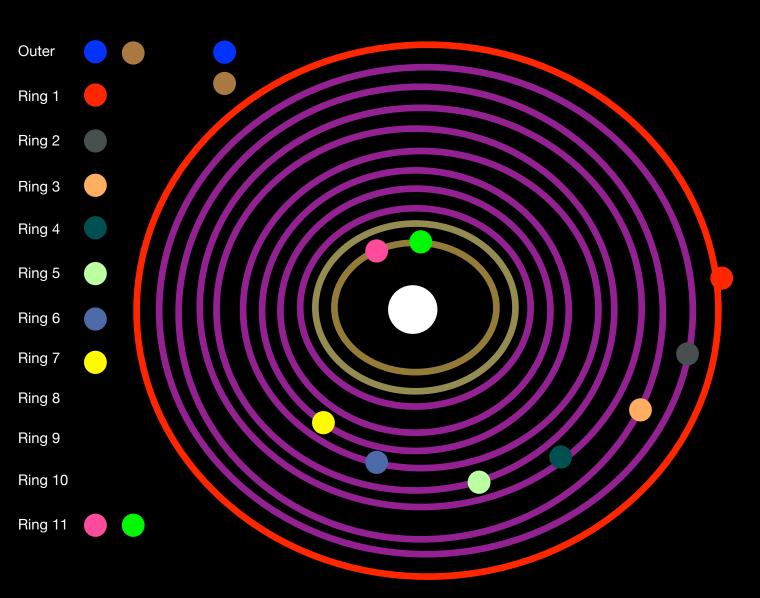
While the two inner rings are empty, ring #1 reverts to purple.



Soon, another change takes effect. The outer ring turns red as if heating up like an element on a stove.

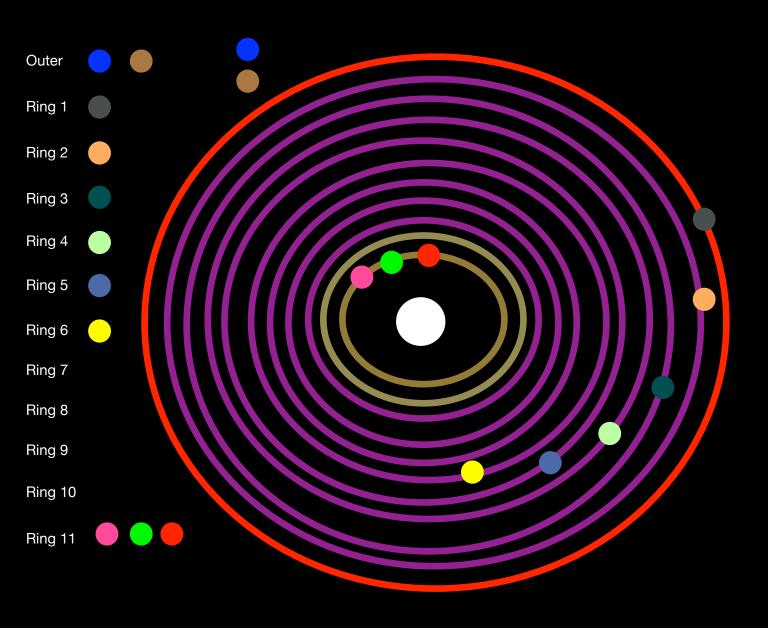
Suddenly, its pink planet spins downward, landing on the innermost eleventh ring.





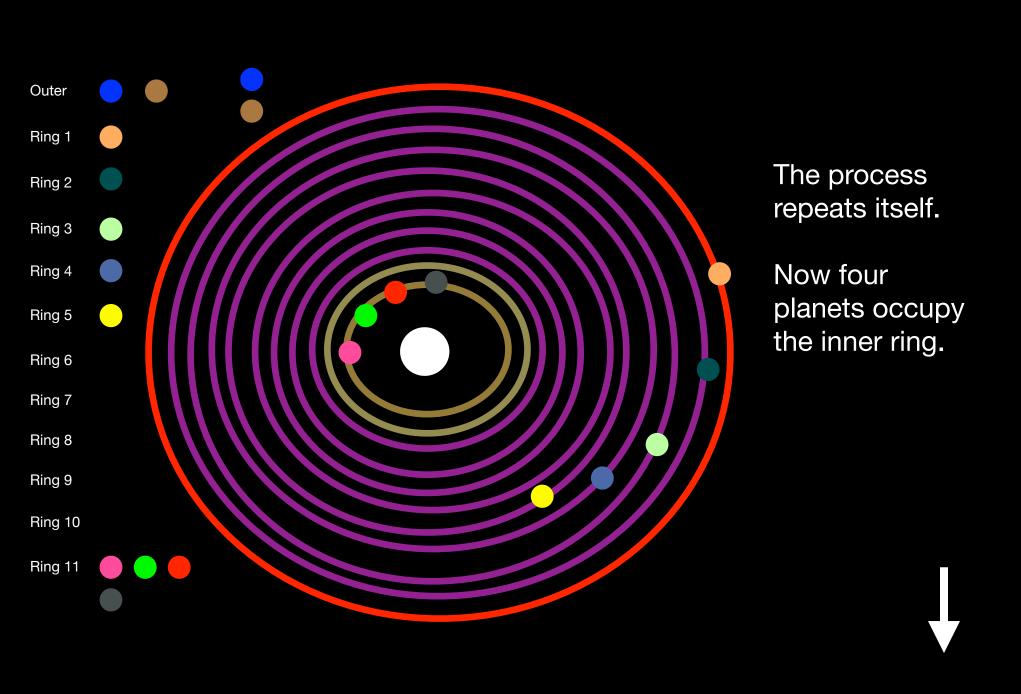
The first orb fires up red again, sending the green planet to the 11th ring.

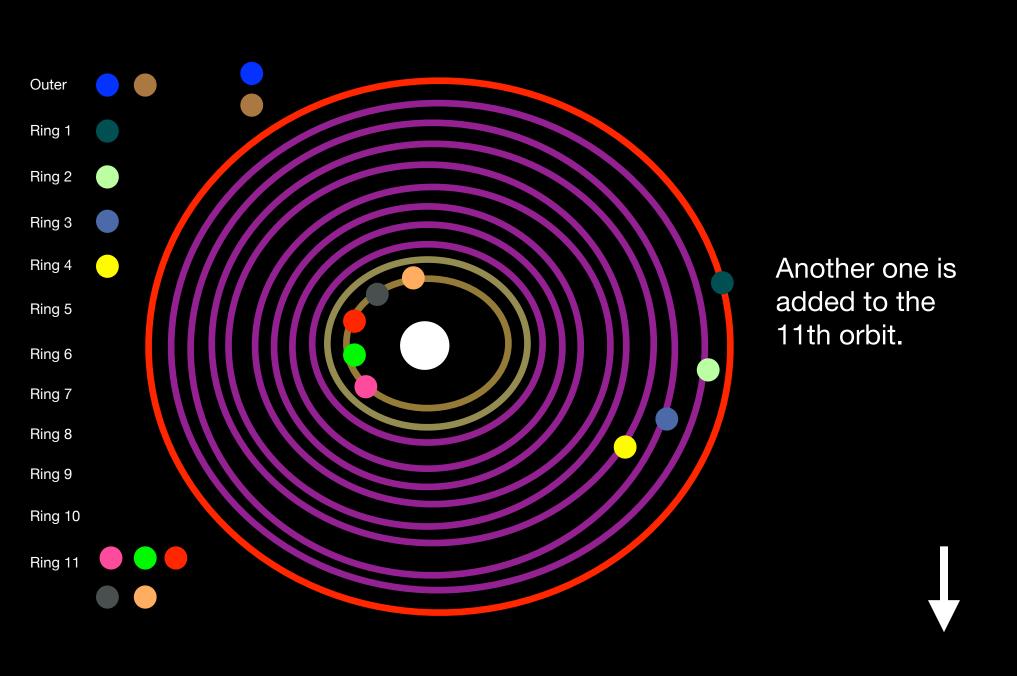
The other planets advance up to the next orbit. The first ring goes back to purple.

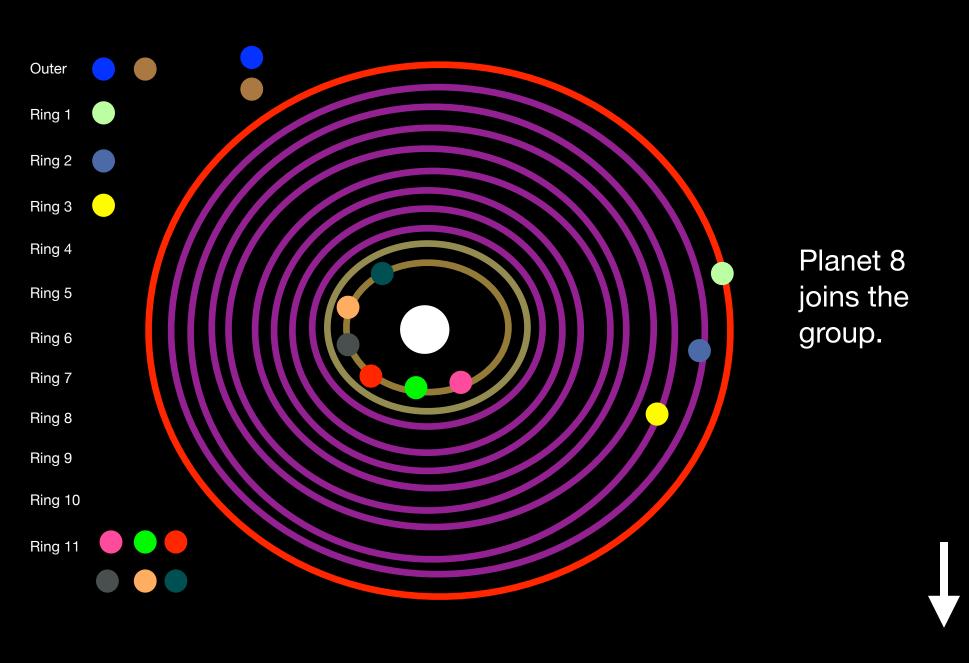


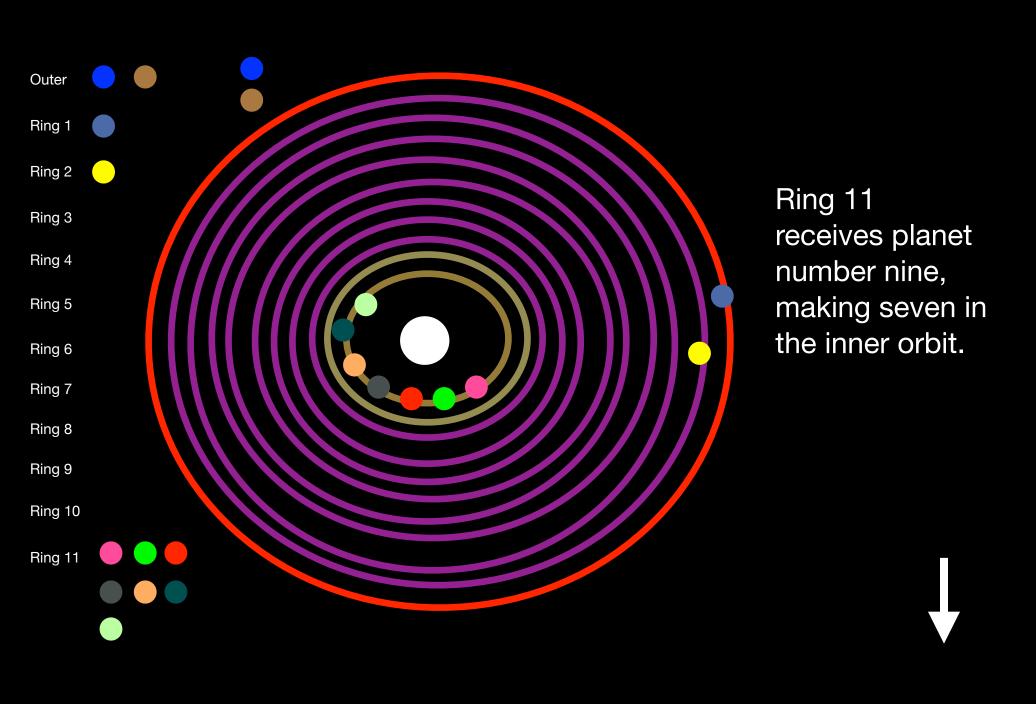
The first circle flares up, thrusting the red planet to join the other two.

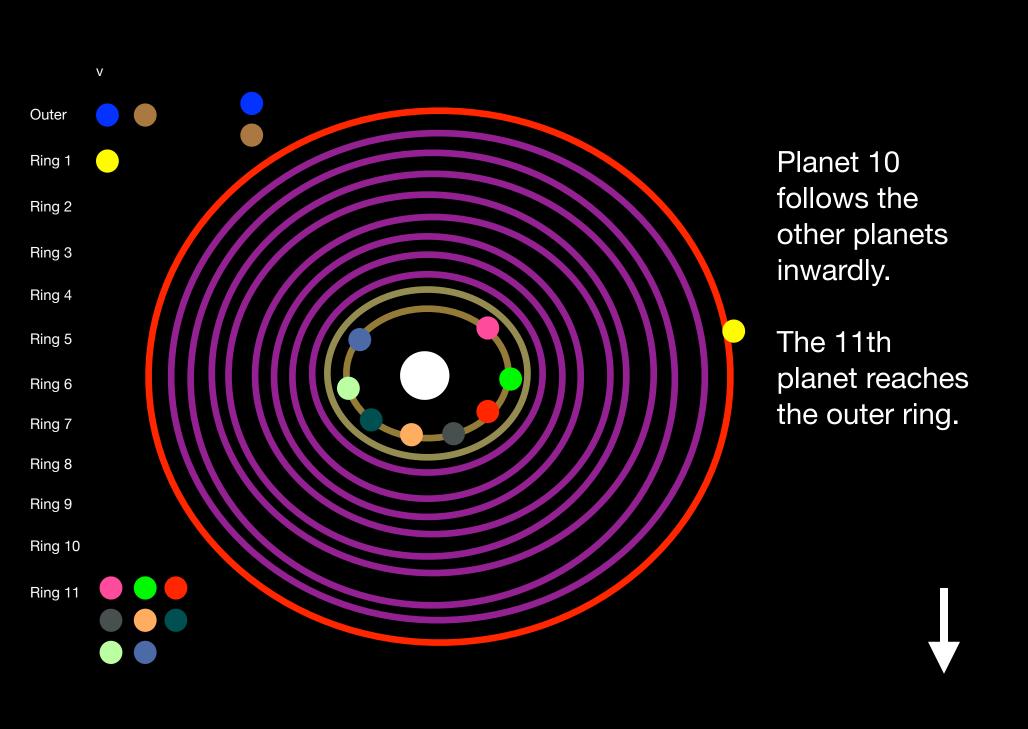
The remaining planets move up; the first band eventually turns to purple.







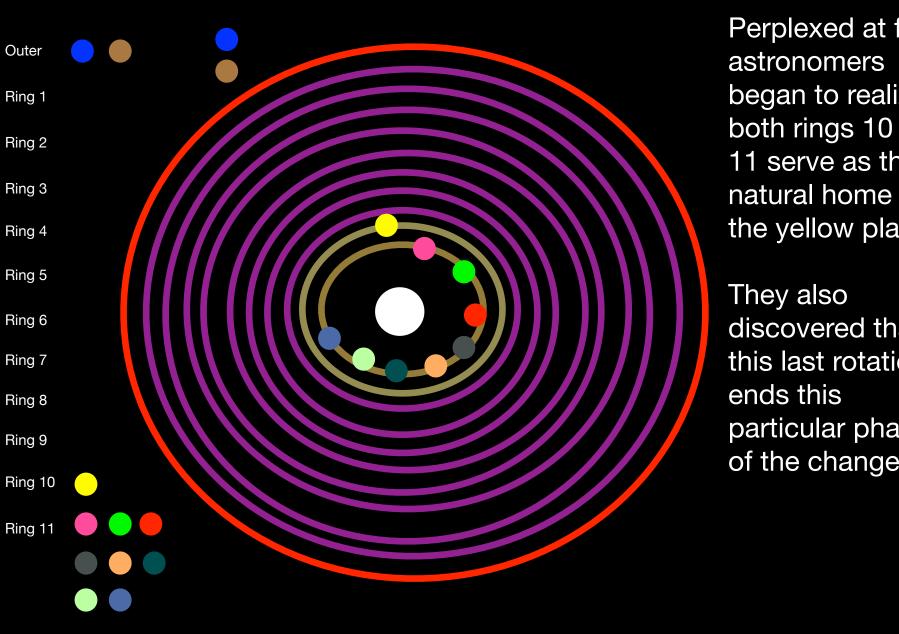




Unlike the others, planet 11 reacts differently.

It moves to the tenth ring and not the eleventh.





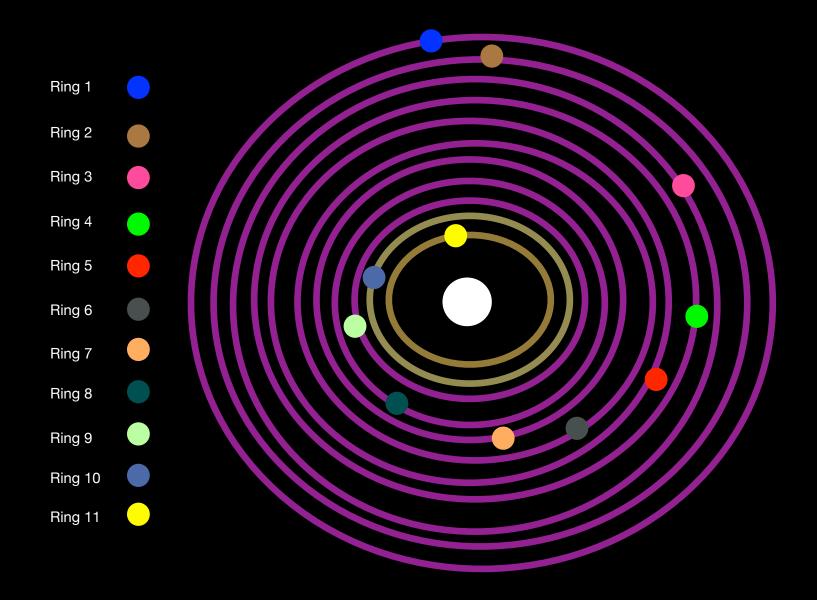
Perplexed at first, began to realize both rings 10 and 11 serve as the natural home for the yellow planet.

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The planets slowly revolve back to their original orbits. The astronomers named this whole process an orbital season (OS). As they further watched this solar system, these men of science categorized different types of seasons occurring over the years. At the end of each season, the planets reverted to their usual rings.





Did this happen? No. If astronomers discovered a solar system like this, would they have cared? Would this make the news?

What if one hundred planets swirled around a sun, affected by only 10 or 11 in their midst? This 10 percent would activate changes in the orbits that caused the other 90 to move to other rings. What if the solar system contained 8,701 planets ruled by 100 planets, of which only 10 or 11 went active during an orbital season? Would this arouse the collective eyebrows of the astronomers? Would they shrug it off as a coincidence? Would they say, "Nothing going on here; move on."

As far as I know, no telescopes or space probes have discovered these types of solar systems. The universe within the Book of Mormon contains similar patterns. Instead of planets, we have verses. In place of orbits, we have sefirot in Tree-of-Life patterns. Rather than orbital systems (OS), we have option systems (OS 1, for

example) or Utah systems. The yellow planet represents Moroni 10:31. The other color planets symbolize the active knowledge verses.

Over 100 verses in the Book of Mormon have the word knowledge in them. Roughly ten percent of them are active, or adjustable, knowledge verses in any given system. Nine, ten, or eleven adjustable verses can cause the rest of the 8,701 to move.

Both the Missouri and Utah versions of the Book of Mormon have a universe within them. What if Joseph Smith never knew of these universes? What if God created them for our discovery and use?

Would it matter to us?