



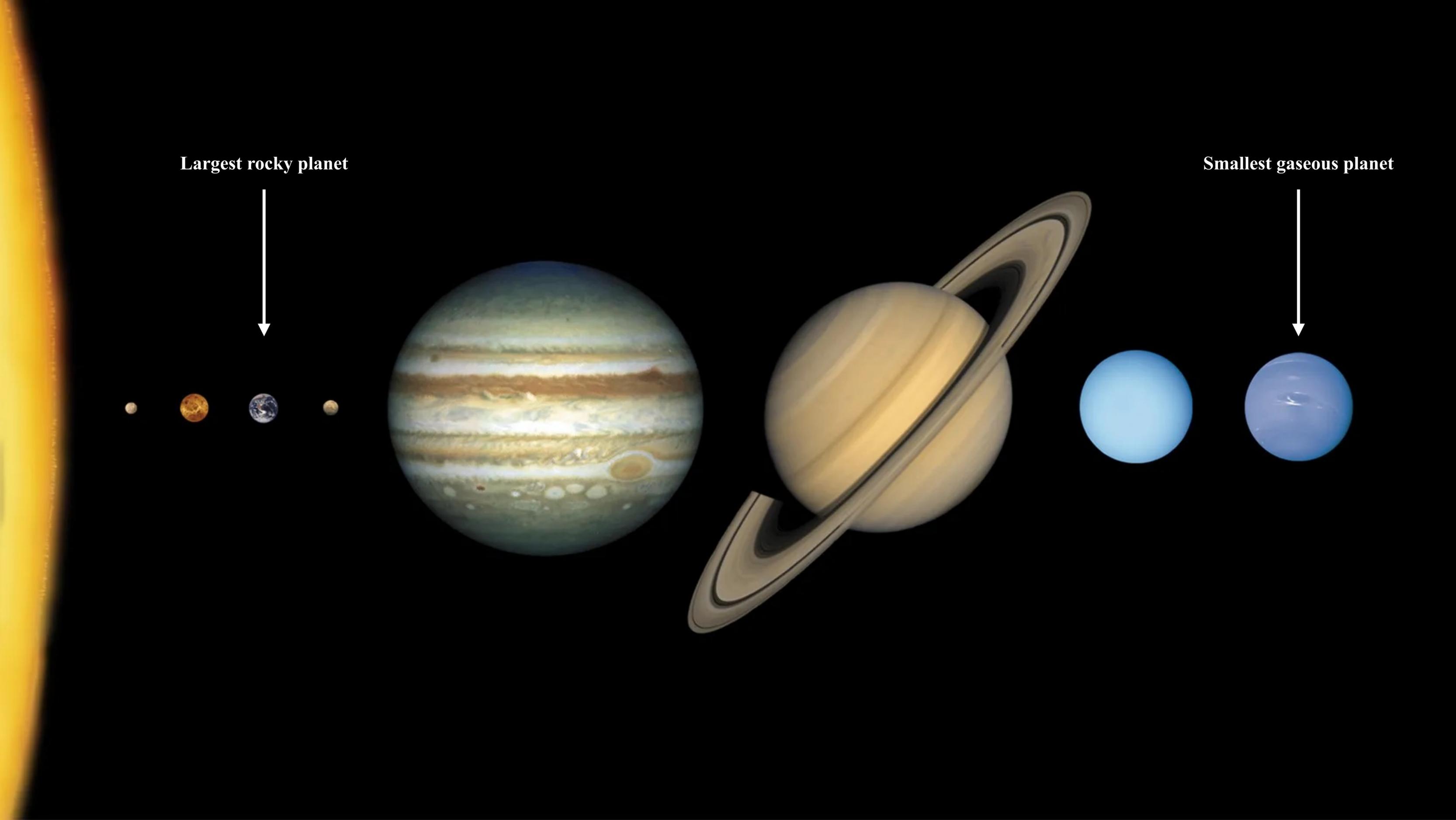
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# CHEOPS, HARPS-N

And dynamical considerations to advance our understanding of small planets

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**Largest rocky planet**

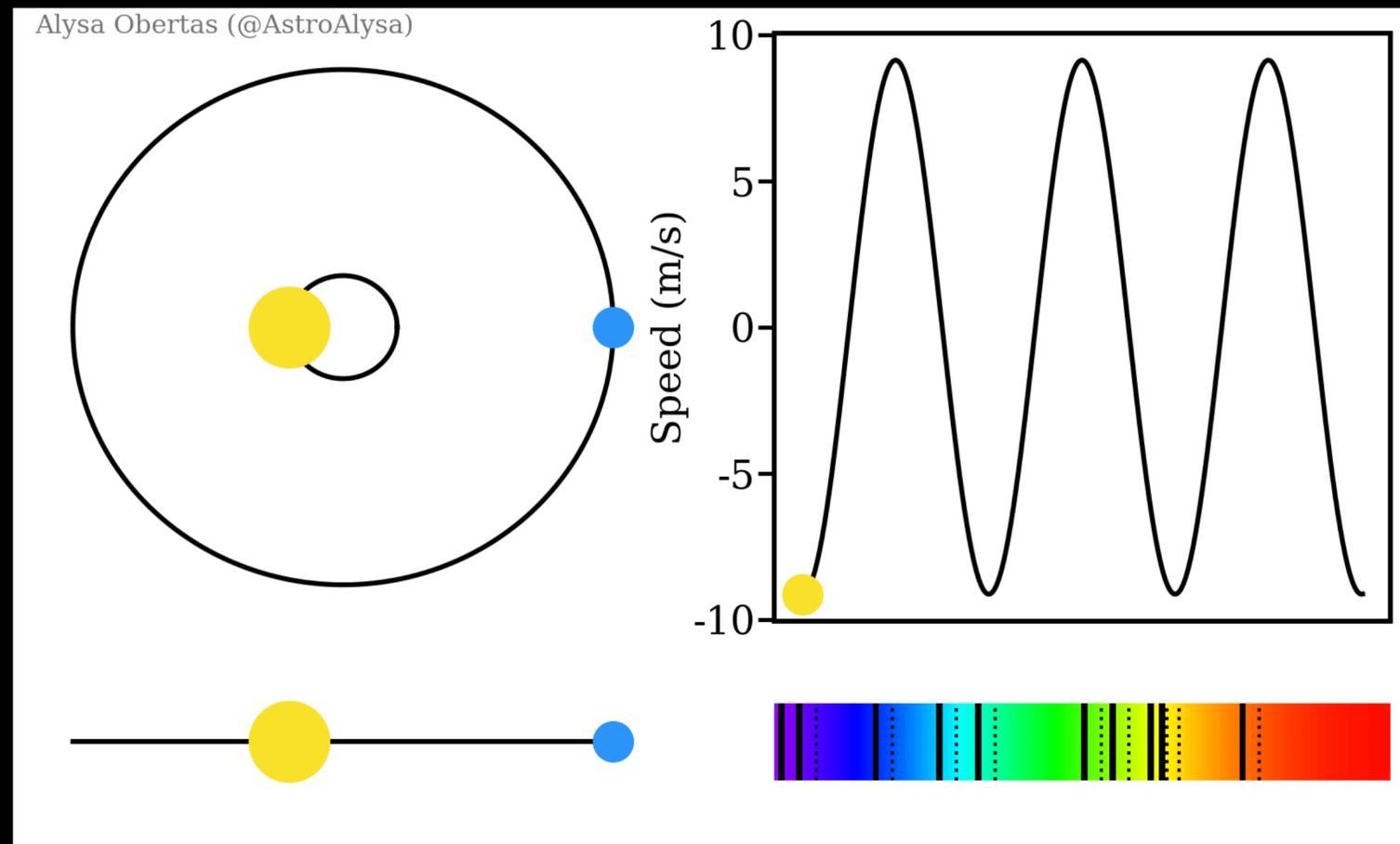


**Smallest gaseous planet**



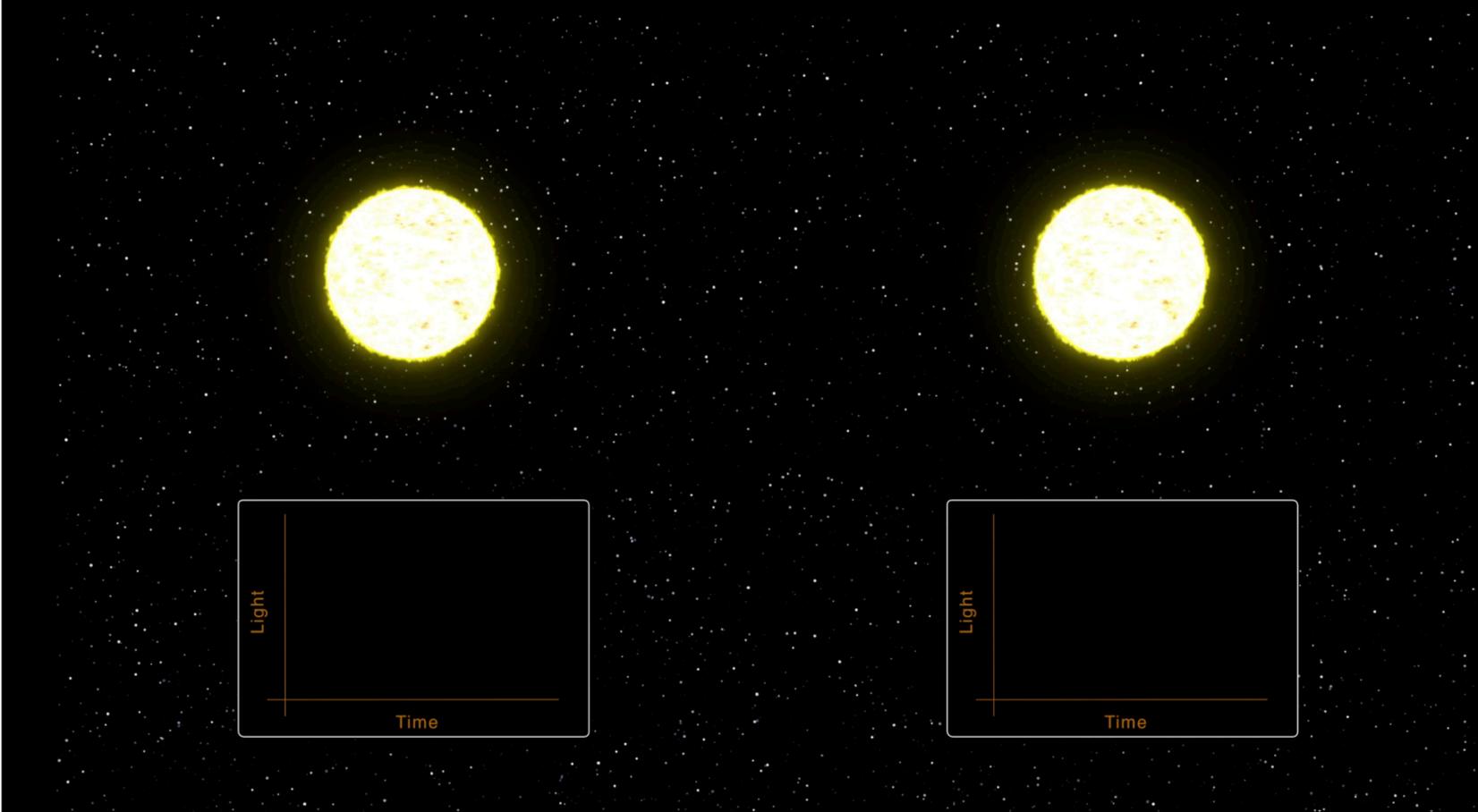
# The 2 main techniques of planet detection

## The Radial Velocity technique



Sensitive to the **planetary mass**

## The transits technique



Sensitive to the **planetary radius**

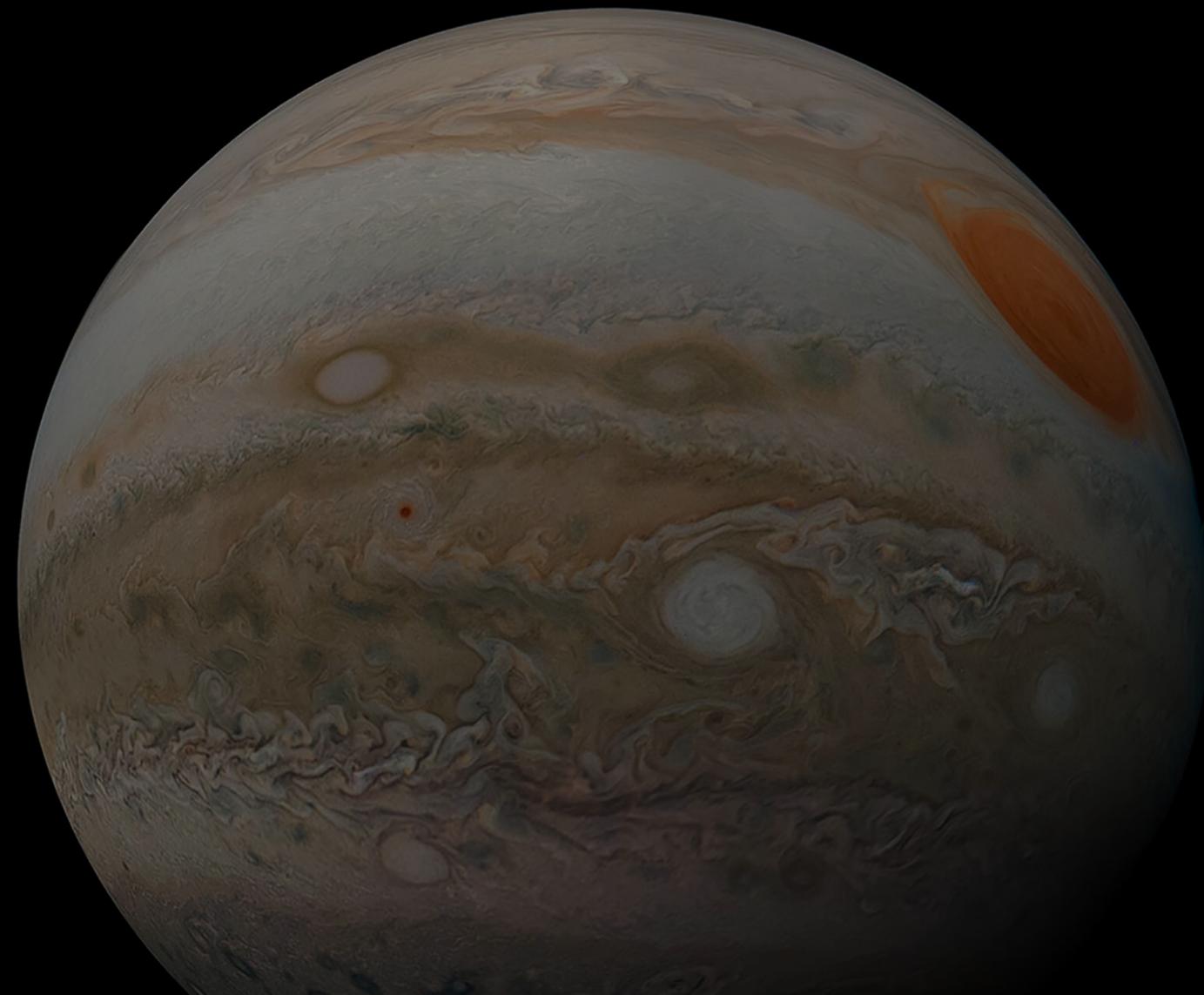
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**Fit convergence**

**Model selection**

**Refine the planet parameters**

**Investigate mean-motion resonances**



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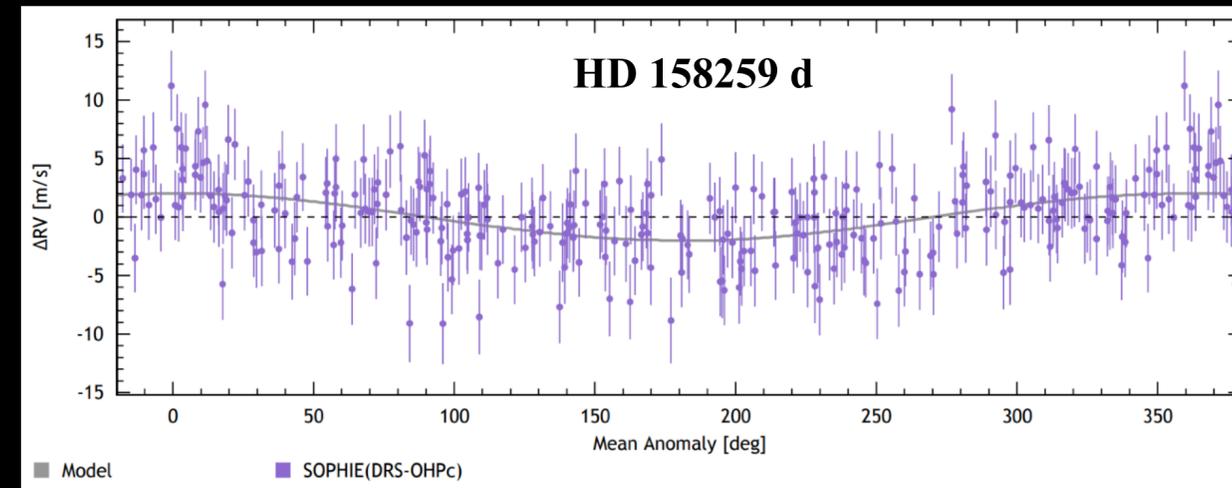
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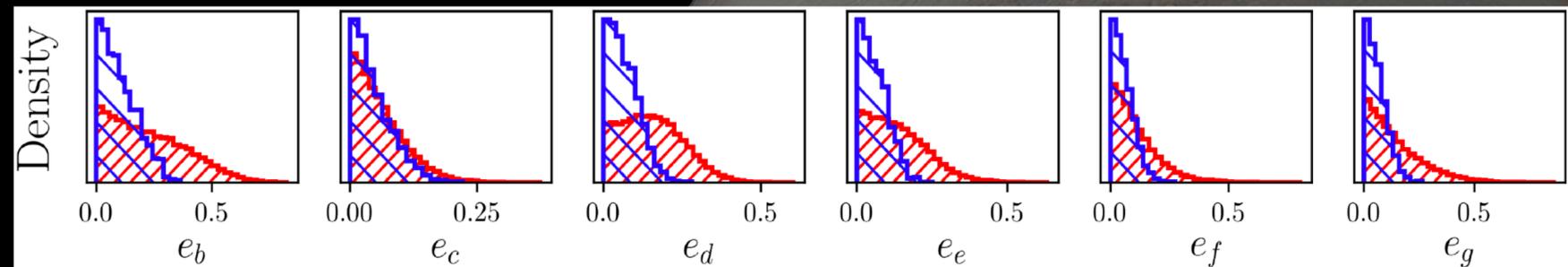
Investigate mean-motion resonances

Small planets = small-amplitude signals



(Hara, et al. 2020)

HD 158259  
6 planet candidates



Bayesian framework

# Stability analyses

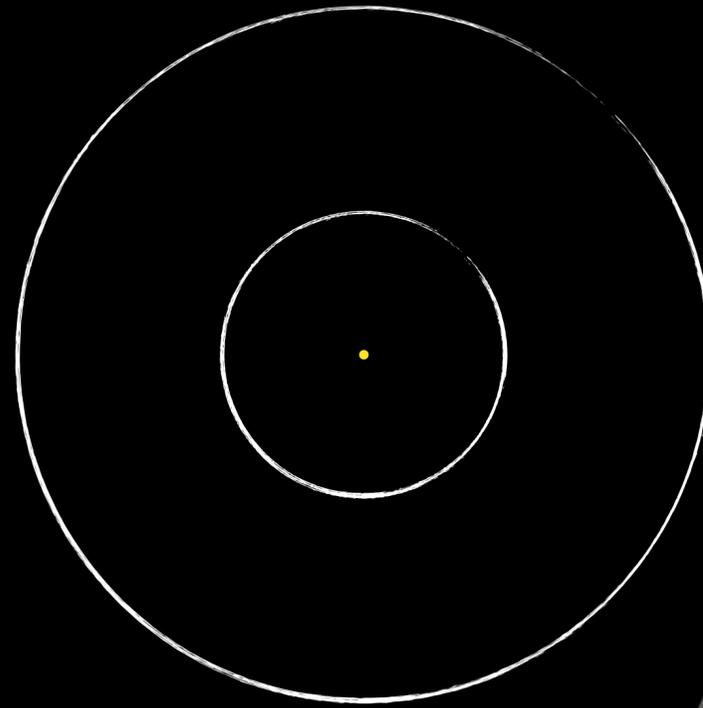
Compare the proportions of stable systems in the posteriors of model 1 vs model 2

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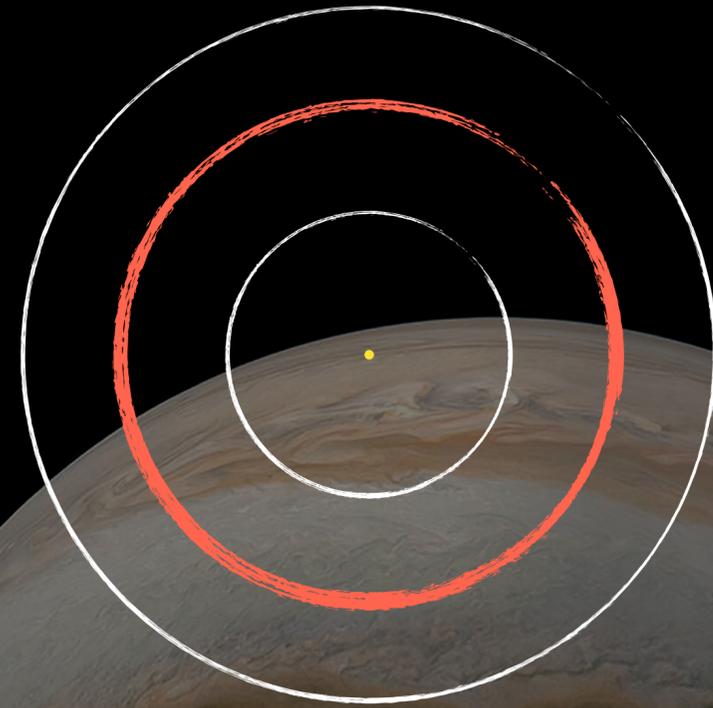
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Model 1



Model 2

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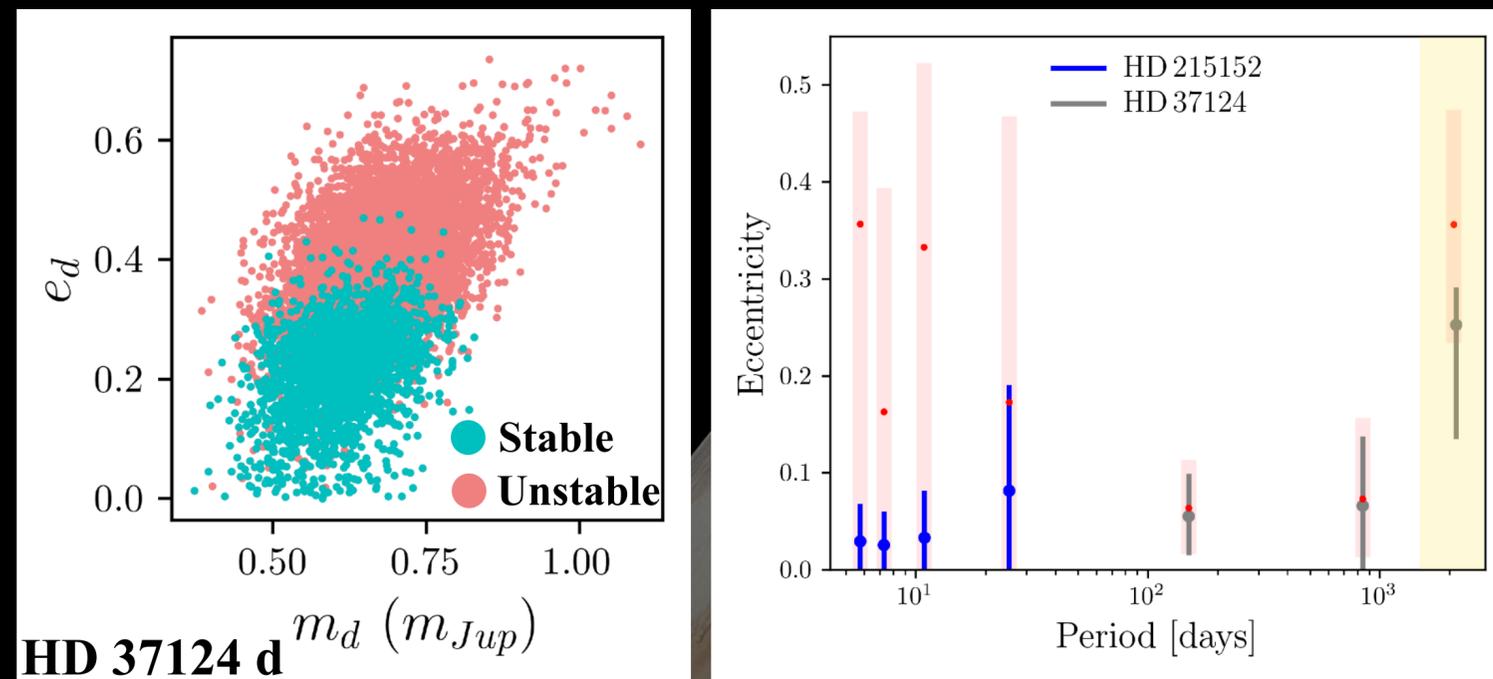
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Stalport, et al. (2022a)



HD 37124 d  $m_d (m_{Jup})$

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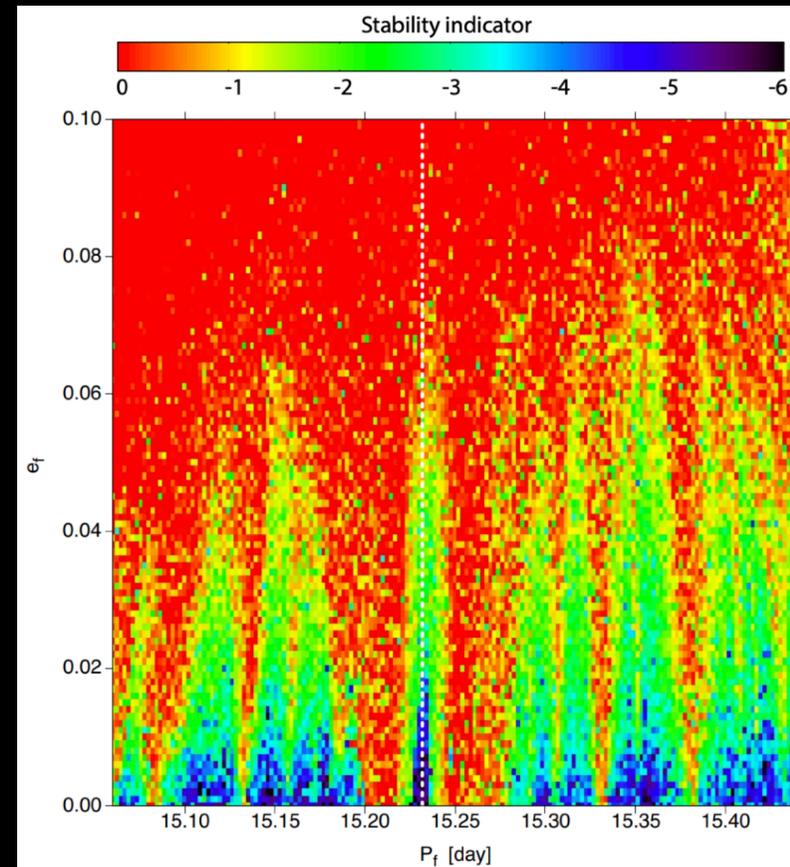
Model selection

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Investigate mean-motion resonances (MMR)

**MMR result from the formation processes.  
They are direct windows into the past!**

TOI-178 (Leleu et al., 2021)



Chaos maps

2D sections of the parameter space

Visualise the MMR

# Small planets: a historical perspective

**1995** The first exoplanet orbiting a main-sequence star



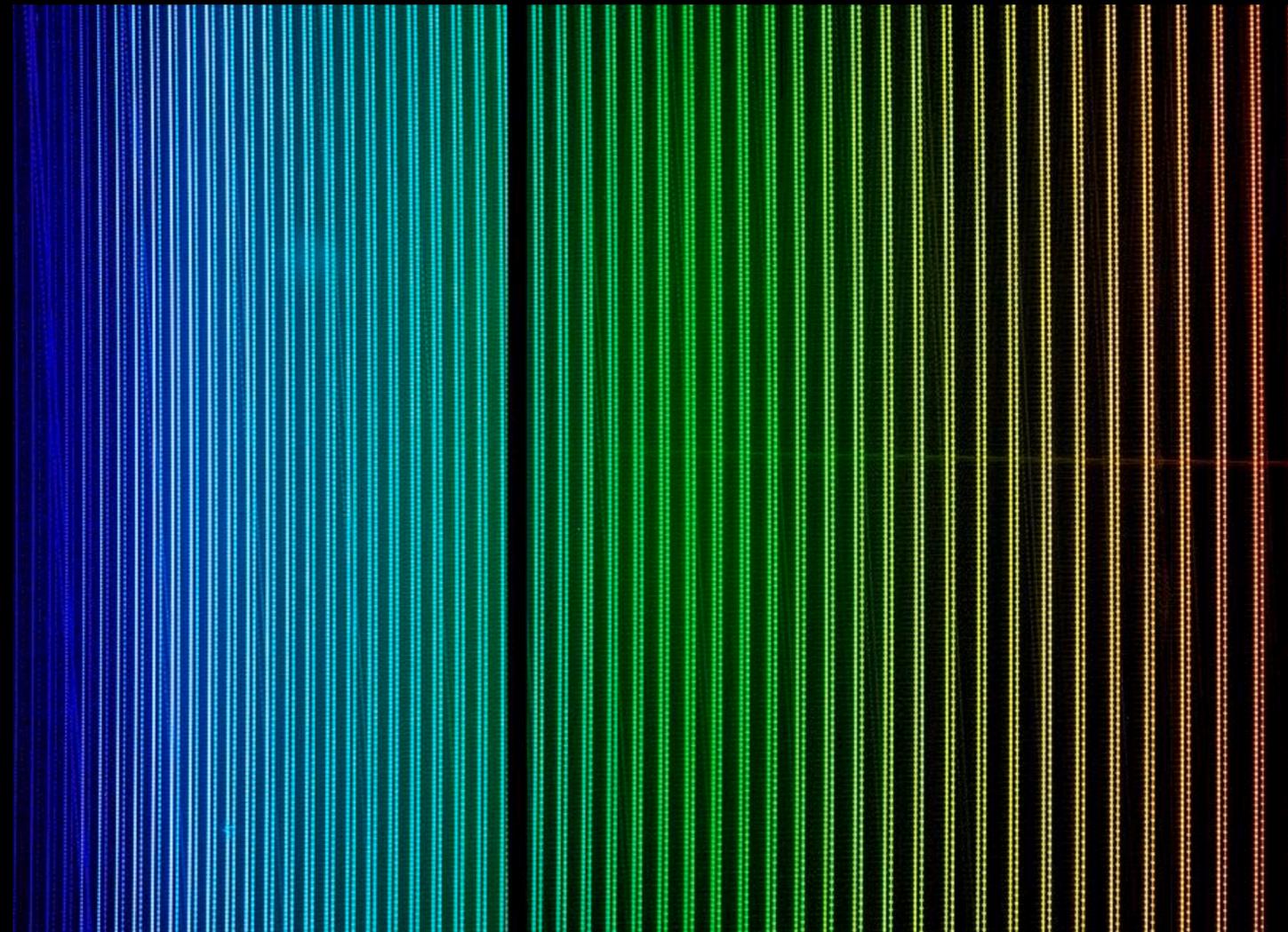
**51 Pegasi b**

**Orbital period = 4.2 days**

**Mass  $\sim 0.5 M_J$**

# Small planets: a historical perspective

**2003** First light for HARPS!



**HARPS**

High Accuracy Radial Velocity Planet Searcher

High-resolution spectrograph

Precision  $\sim 1$  m/s

# Small planets: a historical perspective

## 2004 First discovery of an exoplanet less massive than Neptune

A&A 426, L19–L23 (2004)  
DOI: 10.1051/0004-6361:200400076  
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Letter to the Editor

### The HARPS survey for southern extra-solar planets<sup>★</sup>

#### II. A 14 Earth-masses exoplanet around $\mu$ Arae

N. C. Santos<sup>1,3</sup>, F. Bouchy<sup>2</sup>, M. Mayor<sup>3</sup>, F. Pepe<sup>3</sup>, D. Queloz<sup>3</sup>, S. Udry<sup>3</sup>, C. Lovis<sup>3</sup>, M. Bazot<sup>4</sup>, W. Benz<sup>5</sup>,  
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### Mu Area c

2004: detection of a  $14 M_{\oplus}$  planet

Orbital period = 9.6 days

# Small planets: a historical perspective

**2009** First indications that small planets are **abundant**

*Transiting Planets*

*Proceedings IAU Symposium No. 253, 2008*

*Frédéric Pont, Dimitar Sasselov & Matthews Holman, eds.*

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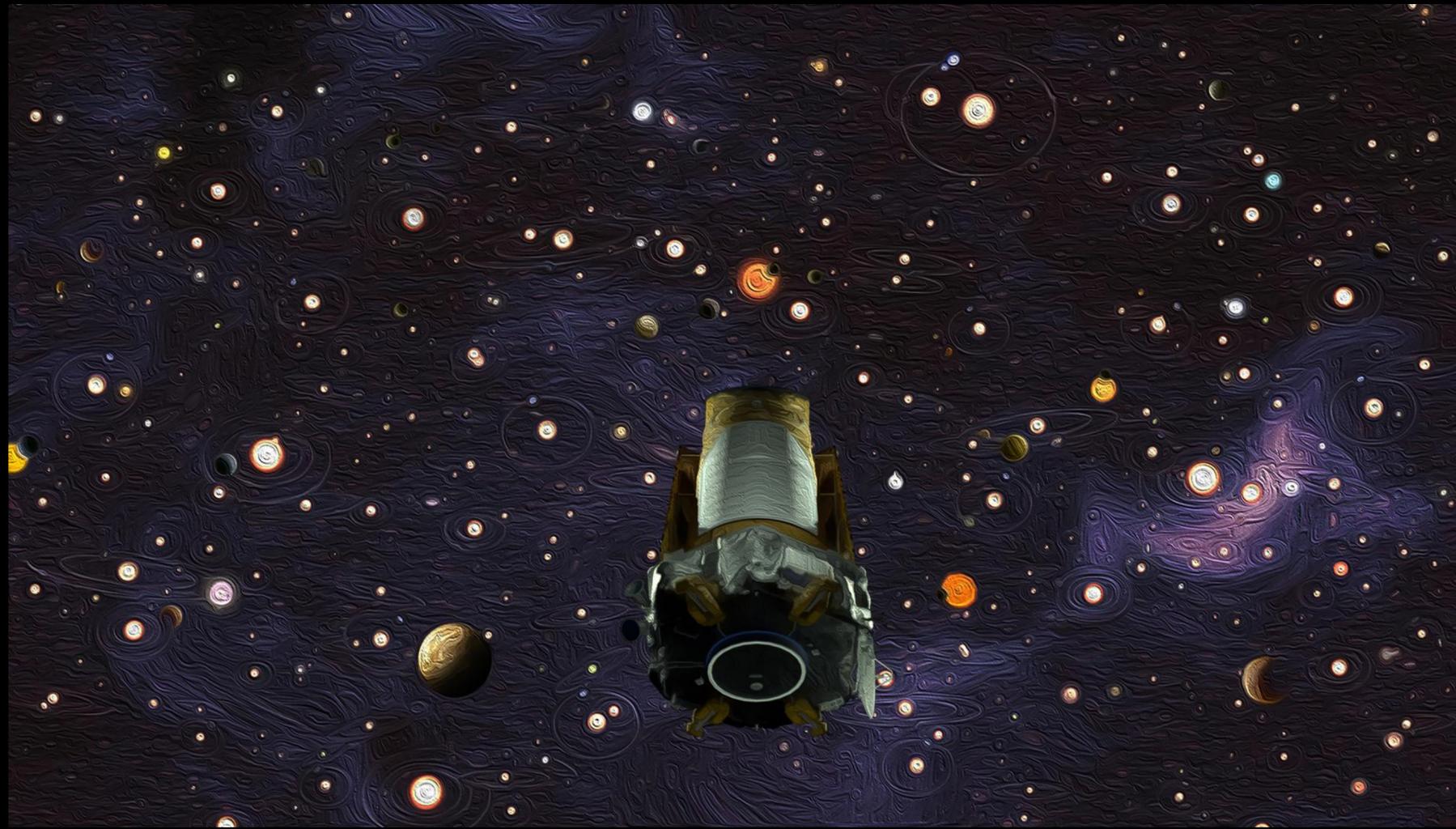
**Towards the characterization of the  
hot Neptune/super-Earth population around  
nearby bright stars**

**C. Lovis<sup>1</sup>, M. Mayor<sup>1</sup>, F. Bouchy<sup>2</sup>, F. Pepe<sup>1</sup>, D. Queloz<sup>1</sup>, S. Udry<sup>1</sup>,  
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« about 30% of solar-type stars may have close-in, low-mass planets »

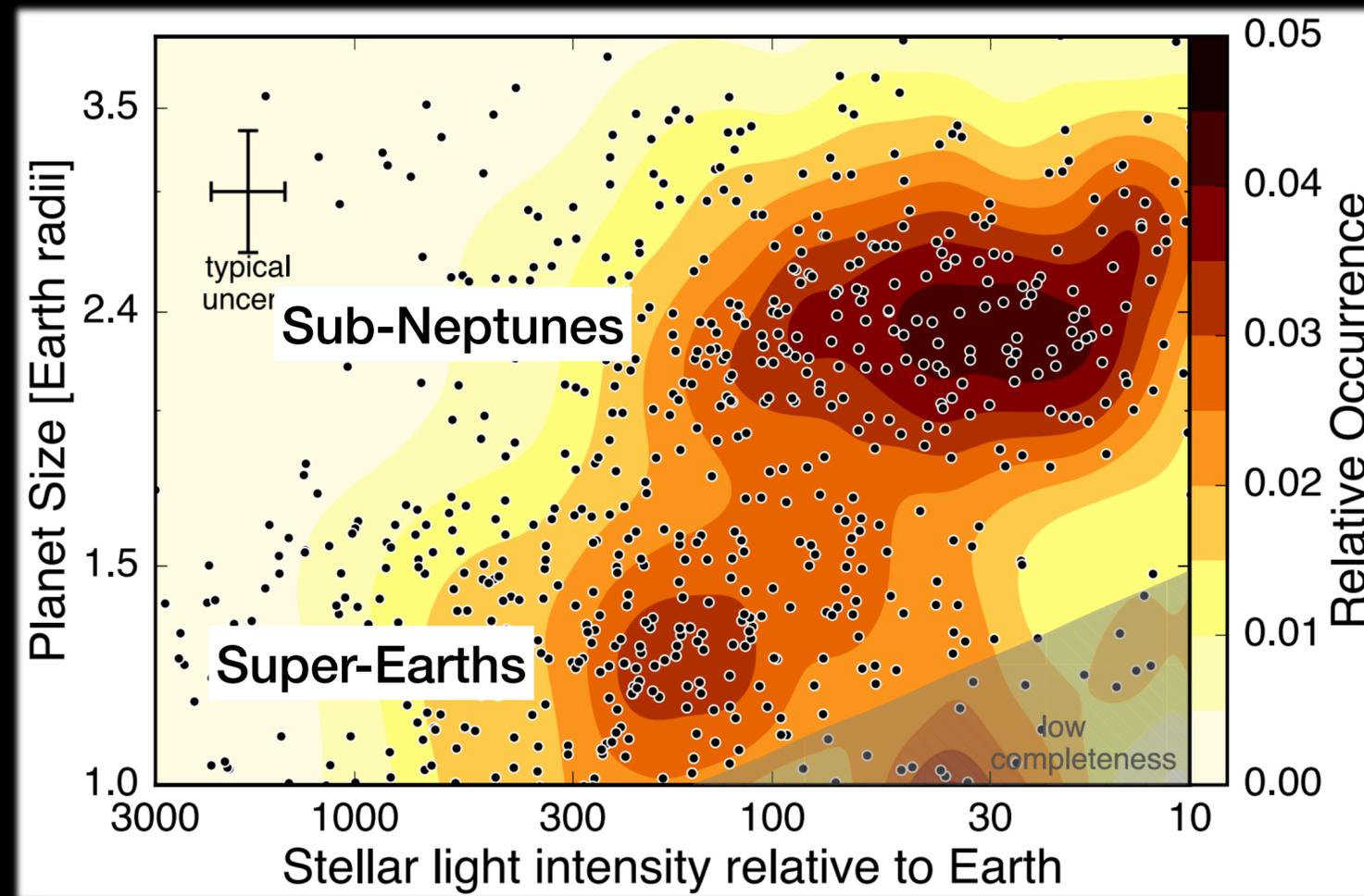
# Small planets: a historical perspective

**2009** First light for Kepler!



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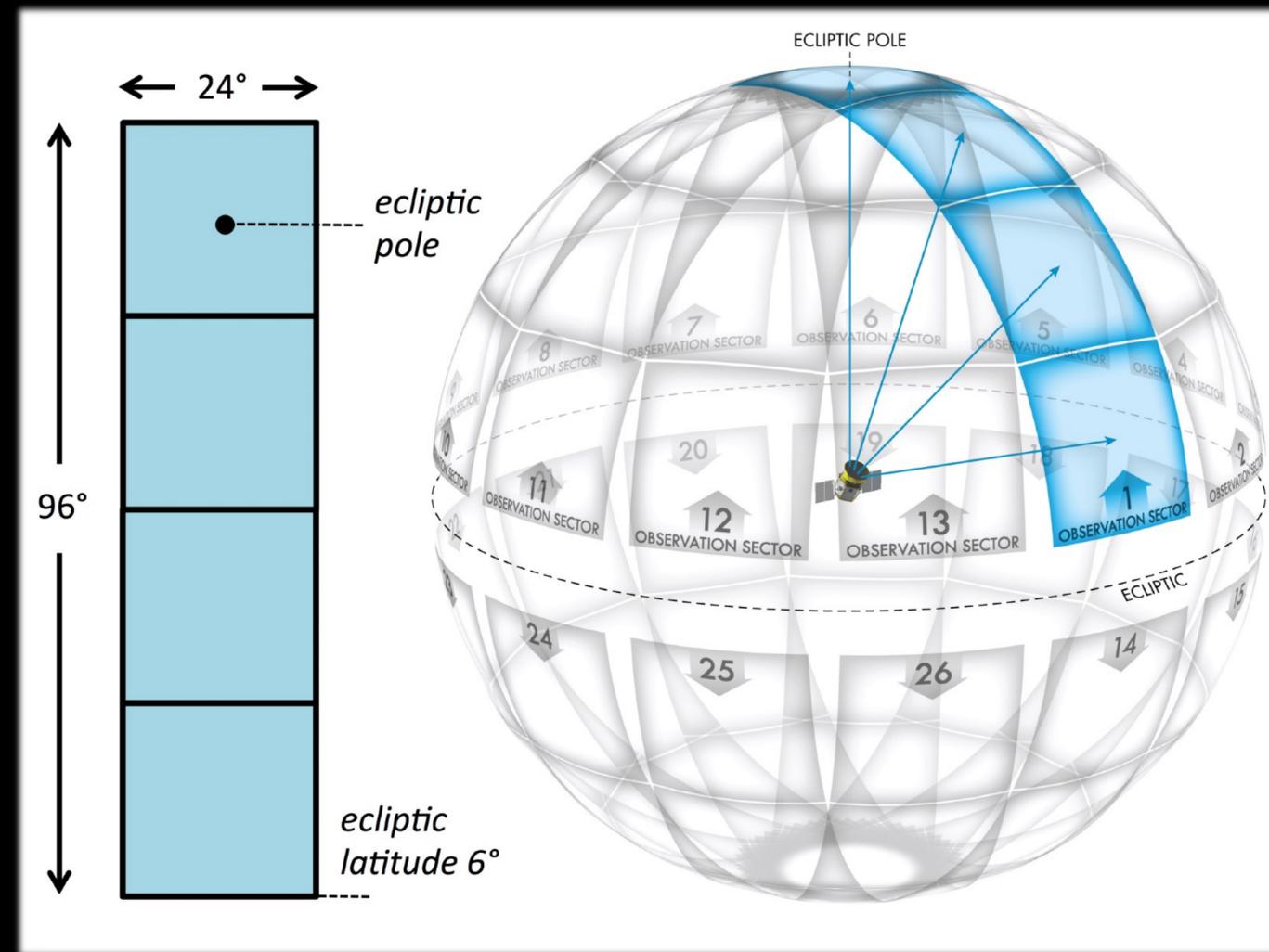
## 2017 Evidence for a radius valley



Fulton, et al. (2017)

# Small planets: a historical perspective

**2018** First light for TESS!





# HARPS-N

**Copy of HARPS in the northern hemisphere**

**Installed at the 3.6m TNG, La Palma (Spain)**

**First light in 2012**

## 2 programmes



**Mass determination of transiting planets**  
(From Kepler, K2, TESS, CHEOPS)

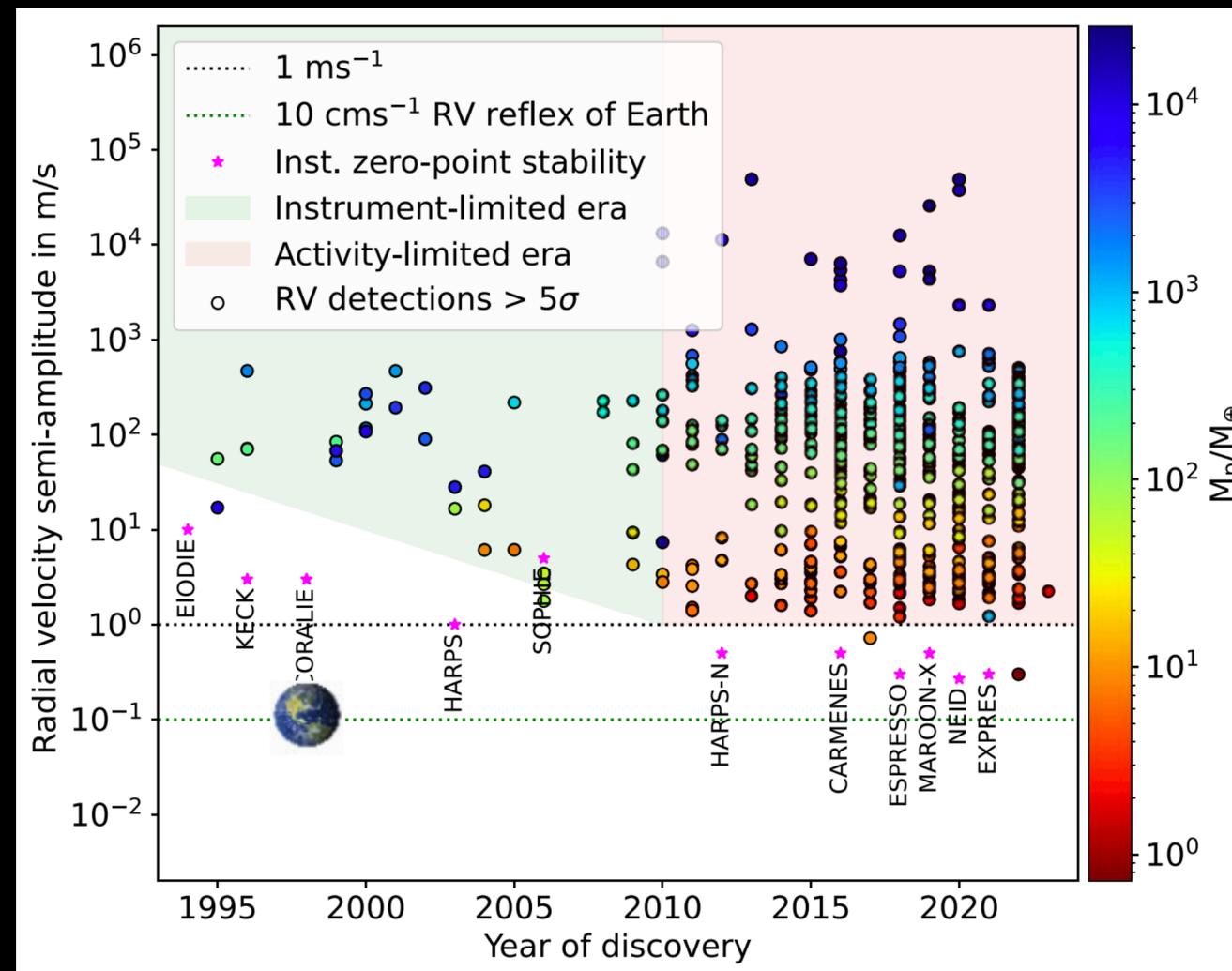


**The Rocky Planet Search programme**  
(RV blind search for planets around bright stars)



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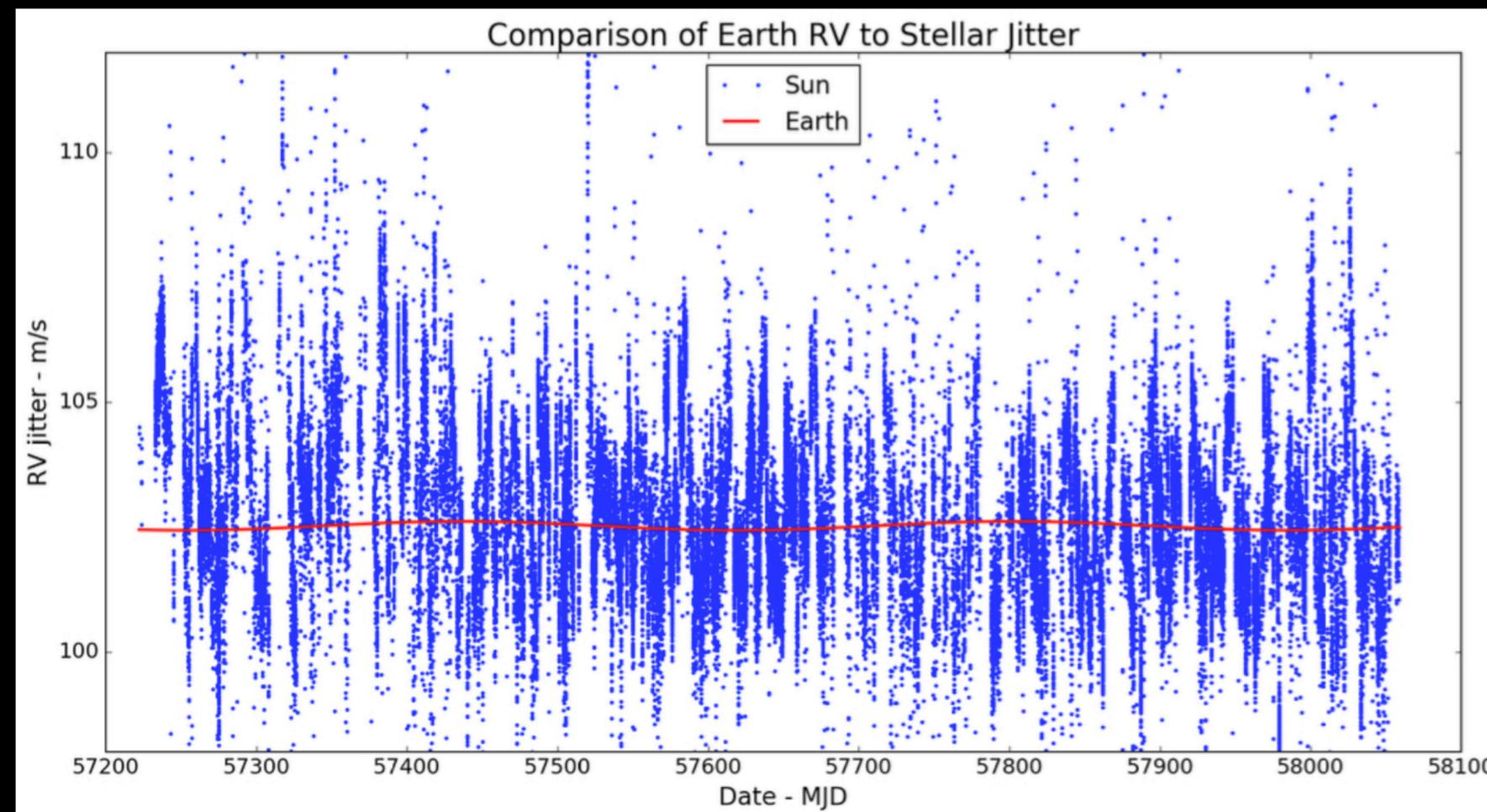


Anna John, et al. (2023)



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HARPS-N Solar data



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## Rocky Planet Search (RPS) program

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**Dataset:** close-by bright stars in the northern hemisphere with low activity.

**Program started in 2012:** 10+ years timespan of high-cadence observations.

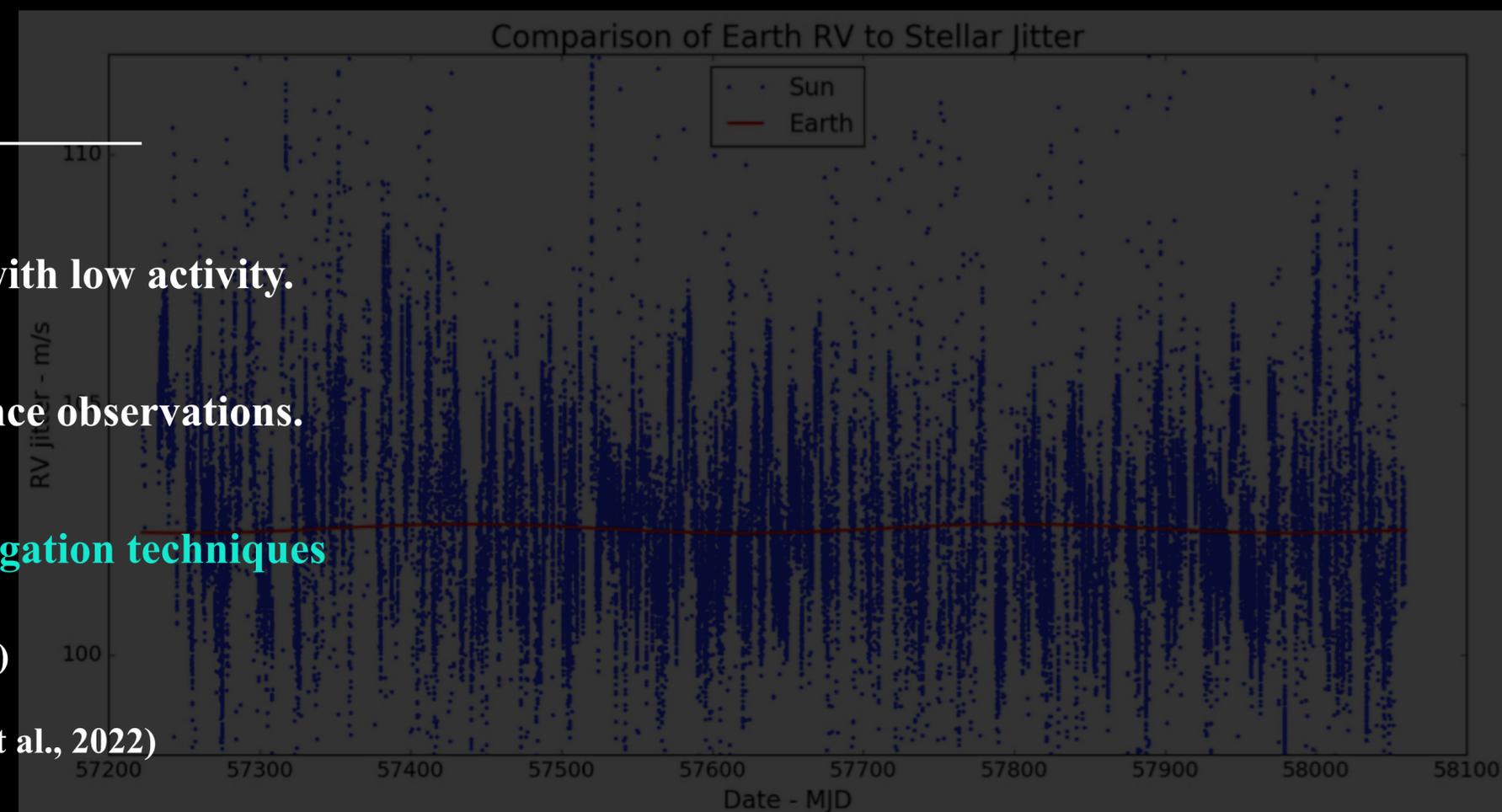
This dataset provides the **ideal testbed for new activity mitigation techniques**

YARARA (Cretignier et al., 2021 ; Cretignier et al., 2023)

SCALPELS (Collier-Cameron et al., 2021 ; Anna John et al., 2022)

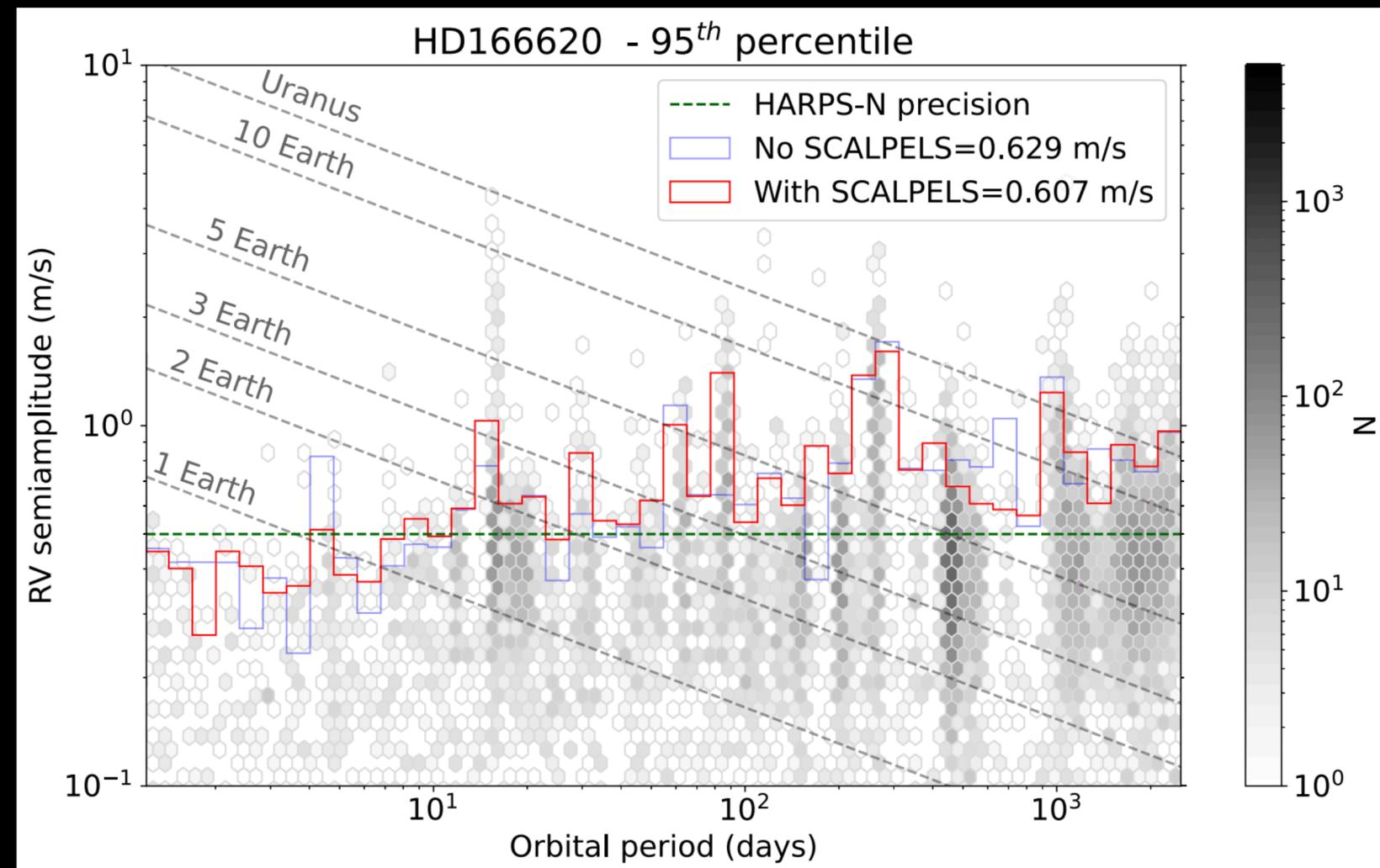
Gaussian Processes (e.g. Aigrain et al., 2012 ; Rajpaul et al., 2015, Delisle et al., 2020)

And many more...



# The Rocky Planet Search program

Reaching the sub-m/s RV precision



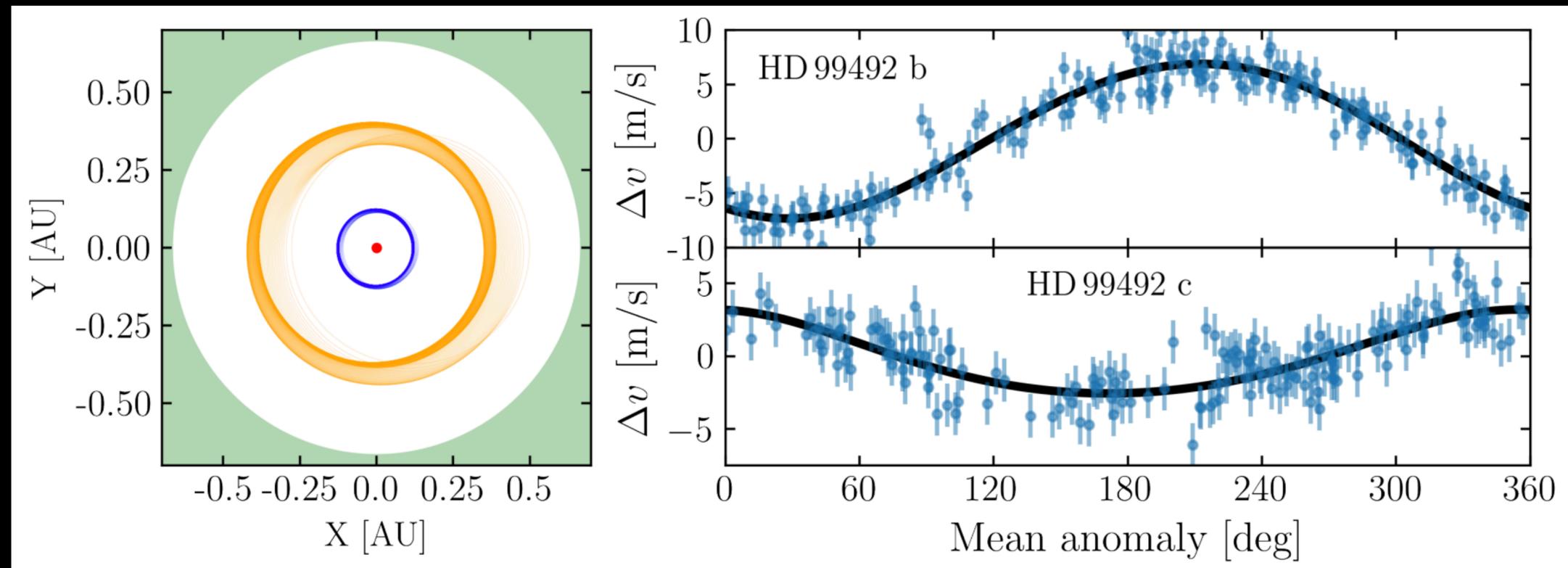
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Reaching the sub-m/s RV precision

Detection of additional planets in known systems



Stalport, et al. (2023)

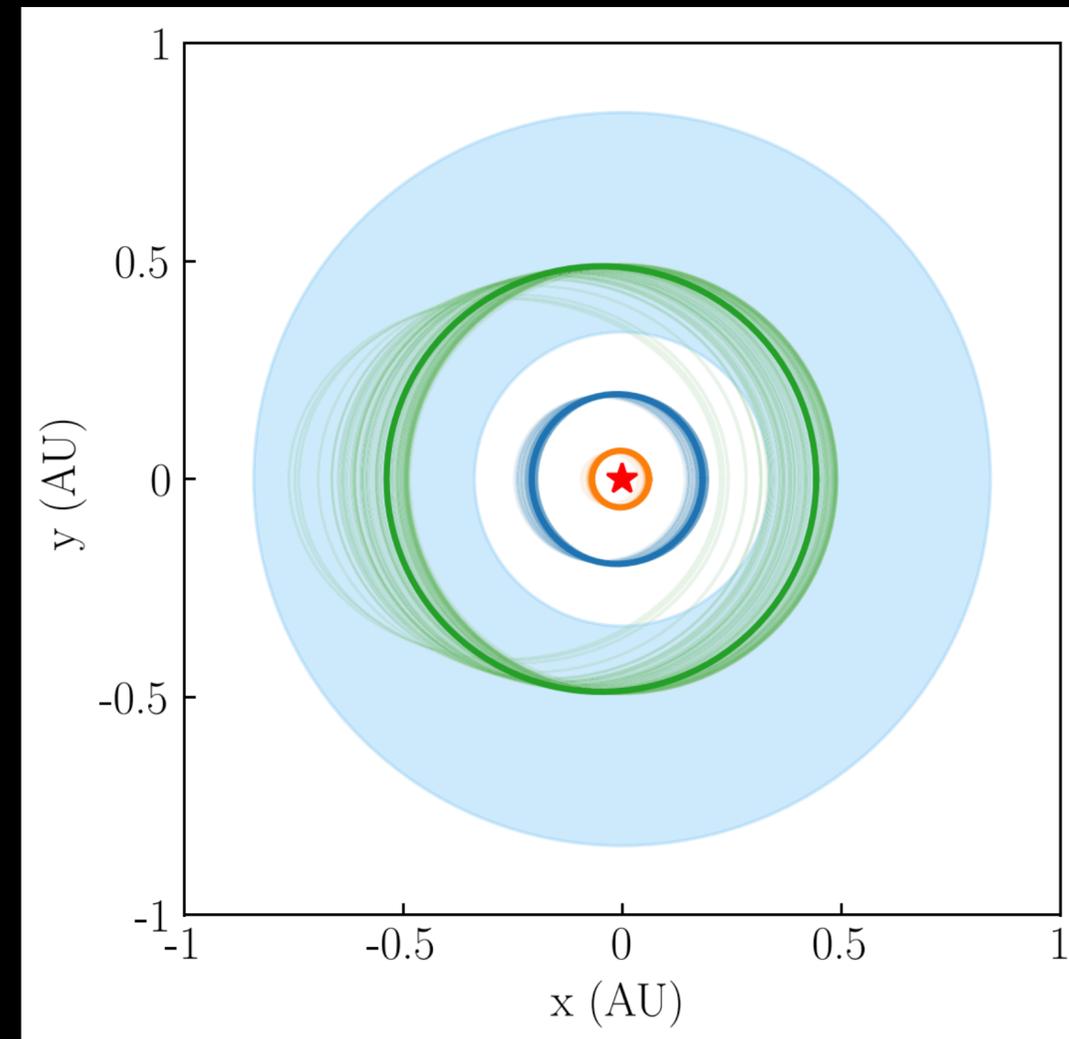


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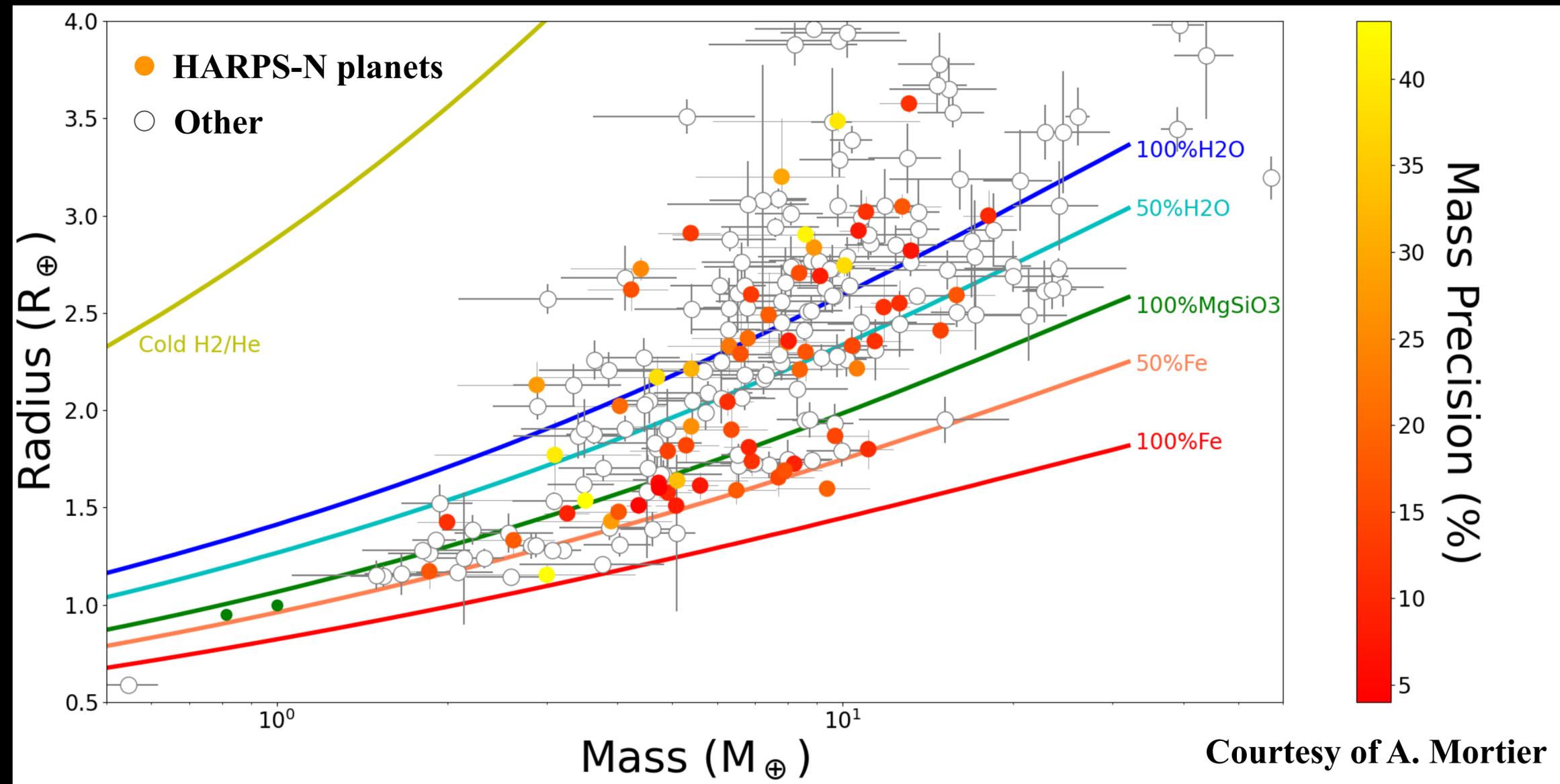
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Detection of 3 super-Earths around HD48948



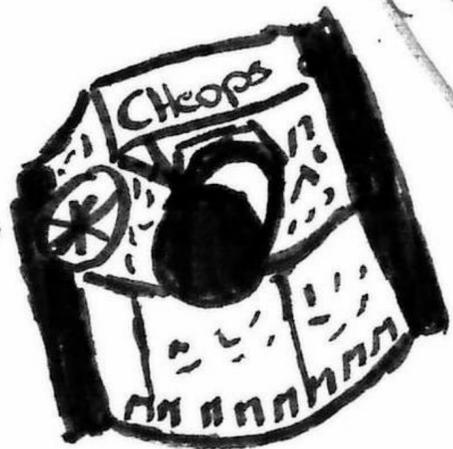
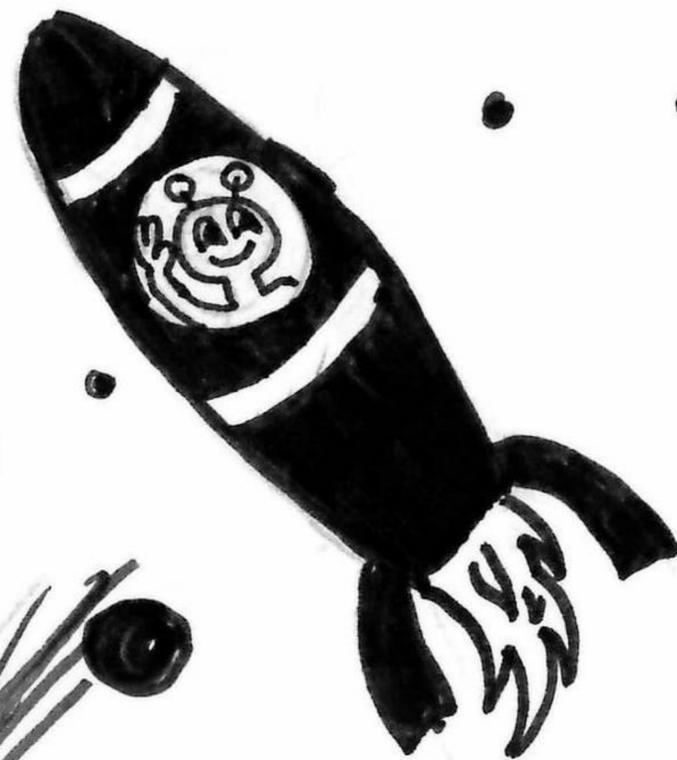
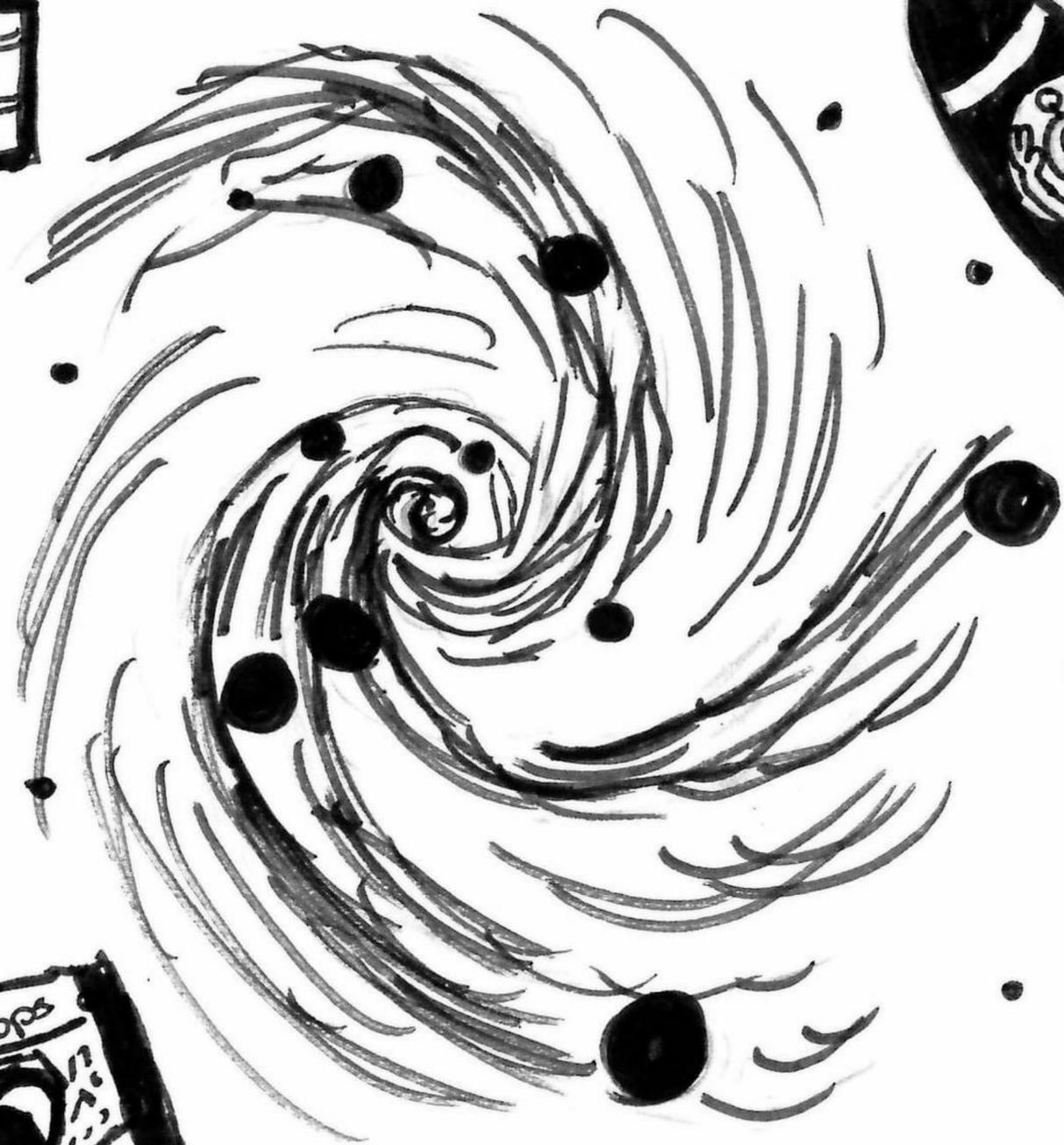
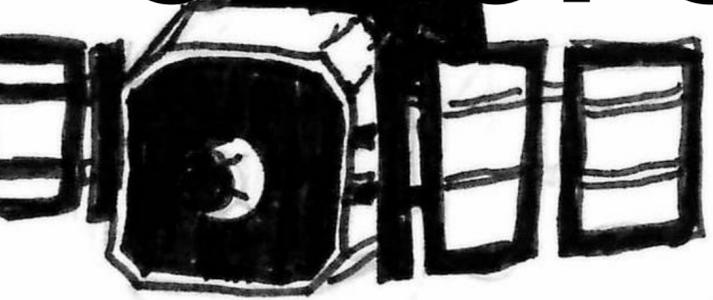
Dalal, et al. (2024)

# The transiting planet follow-up program

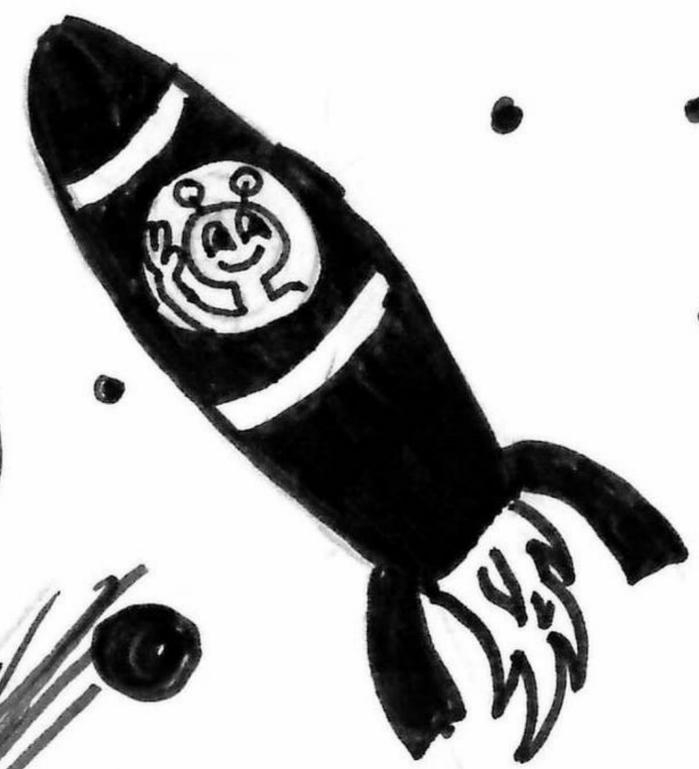
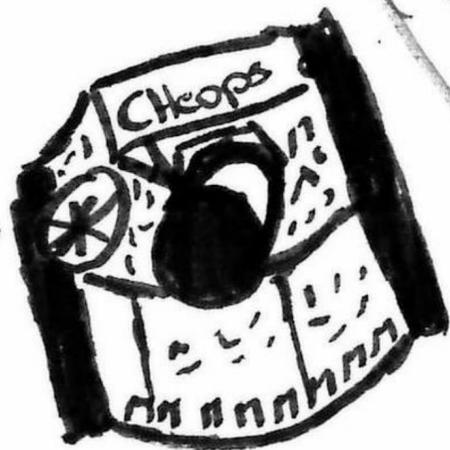
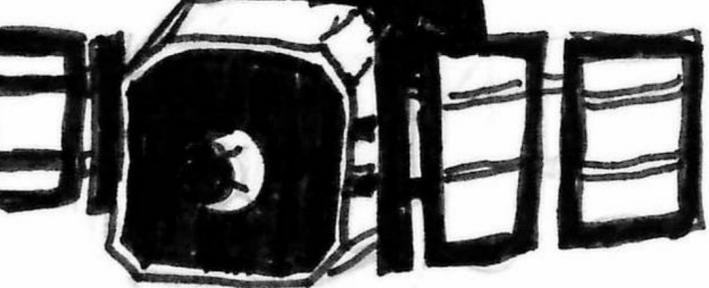




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**Characterising Exoplanets Satellite**

30cm telescope launched in 2019

First mission extension until 31.12.2026

$P_{orb} = 98.7 \text{ min}$

## Exoplanet follow-up mission

-  Refine planetary radii
-  Detect additional planets
-  TTV characterisation
-  Exomoons, exocomets, tides

# CHEOPS

Wilson et al., 2022

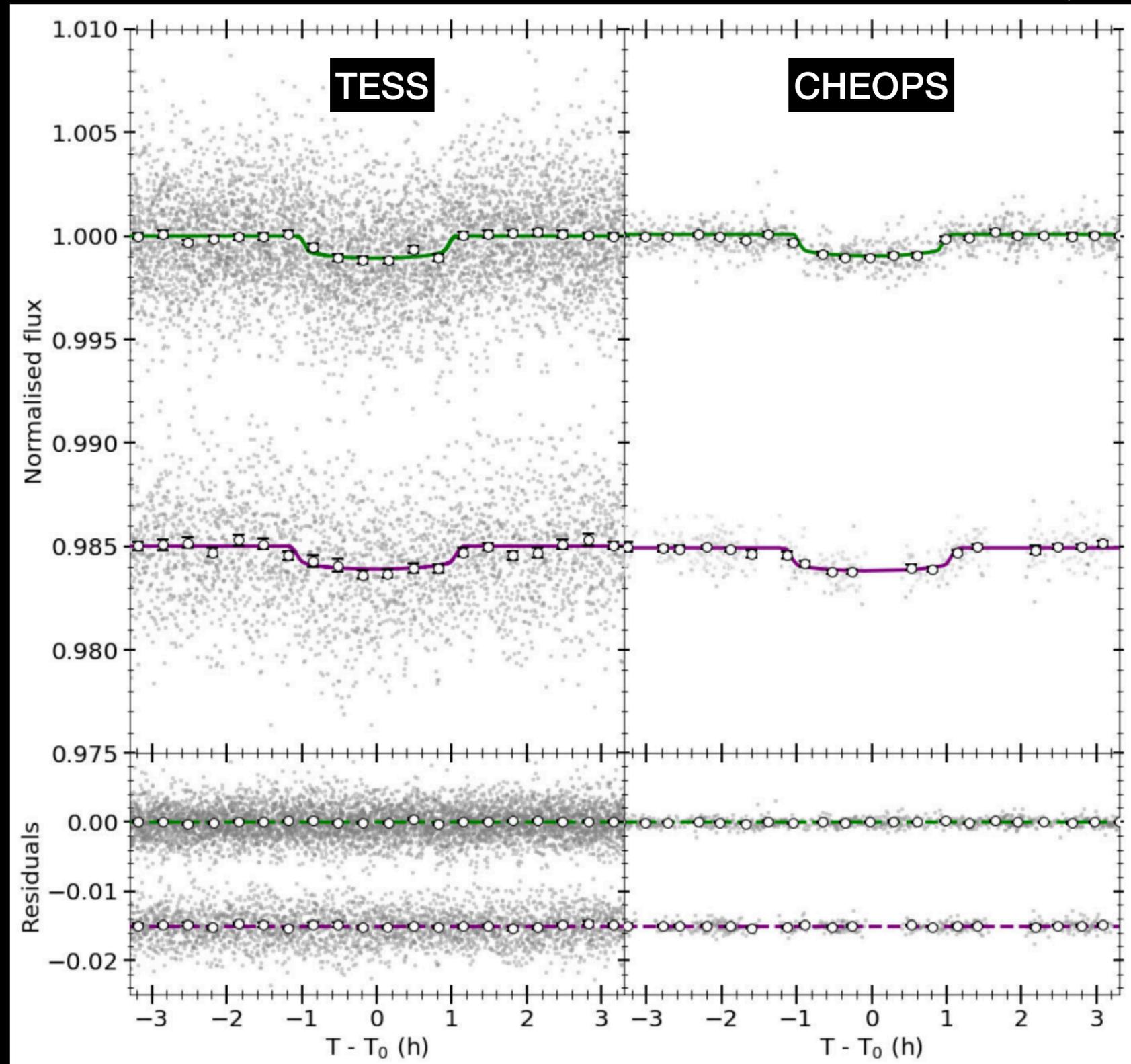
2 sub-Neptunes around TOI-1064

Transit depth of TOI-1064 b  $\sim 1070$  ppm

TOI-1064 c  $\sim 1120$  ppm

TOI-1064 is a K-type main-sequence star.

Mag(V) = 10.95



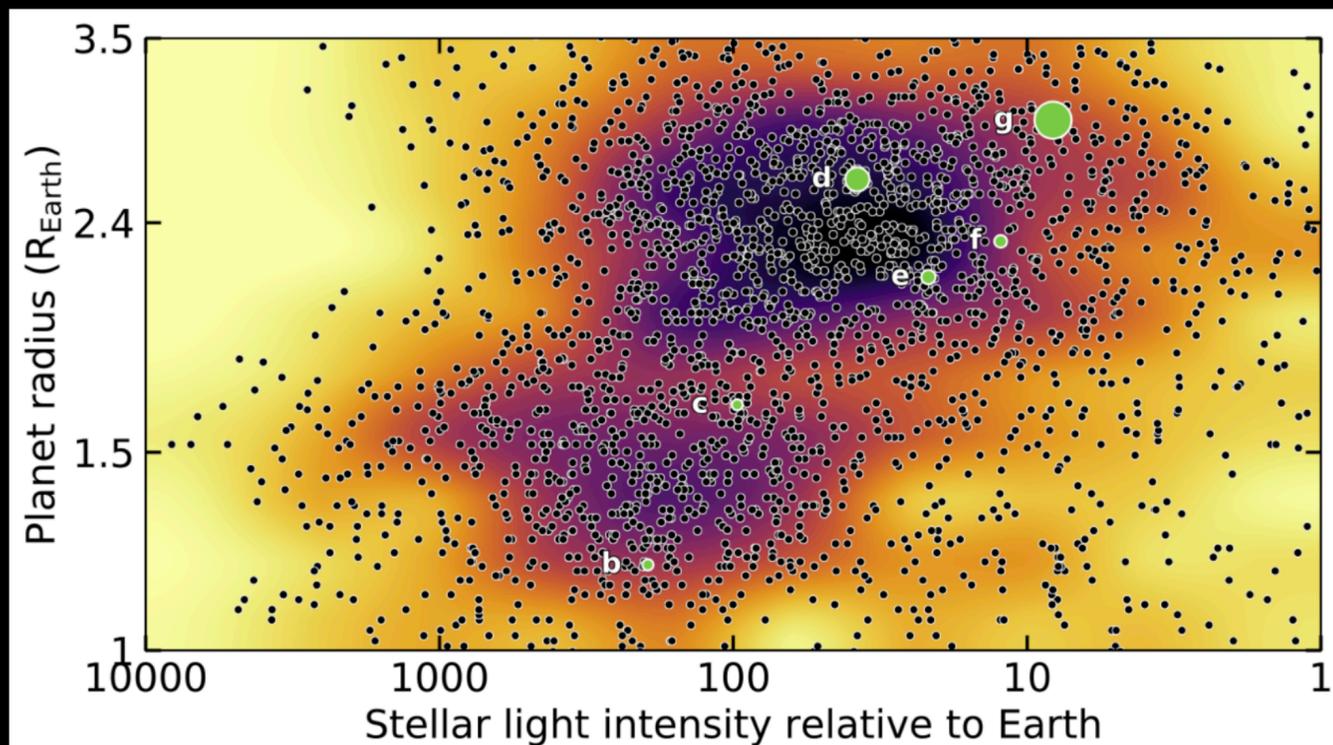
# CHEOPS and the sub-Neptunes

## TOI-178 and HD 110067

2 planetary systems in chains of mean-motion resonance (MMR)

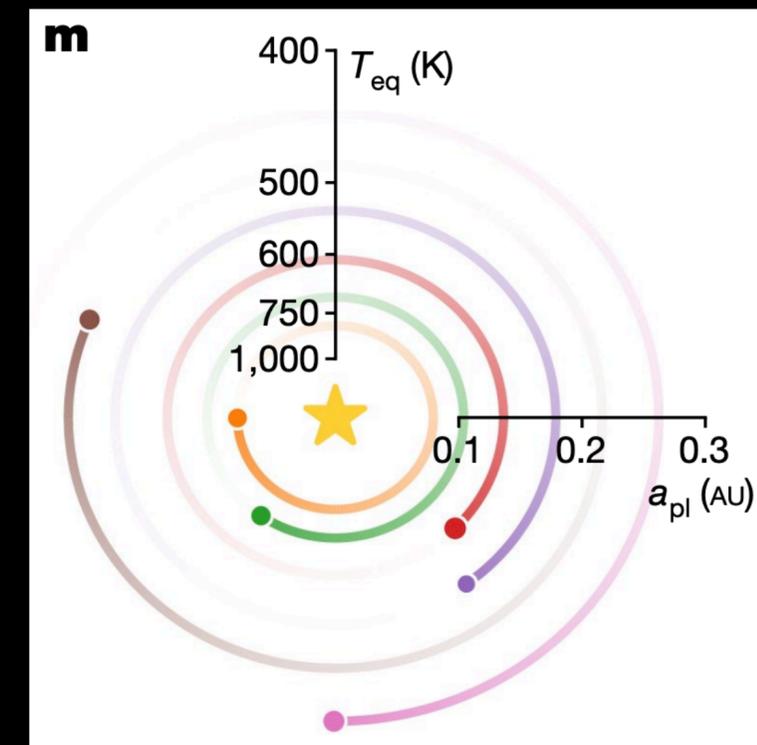
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TOI-178 (Leleu et al., 2021)



From c to g: 2/1 - 3/2 - 3/2 - 3/2

HD 110067 (Luque et al., 2023)



From b to g: 3/2 - 3/2 - 3/2 - 4/3 - 4/3

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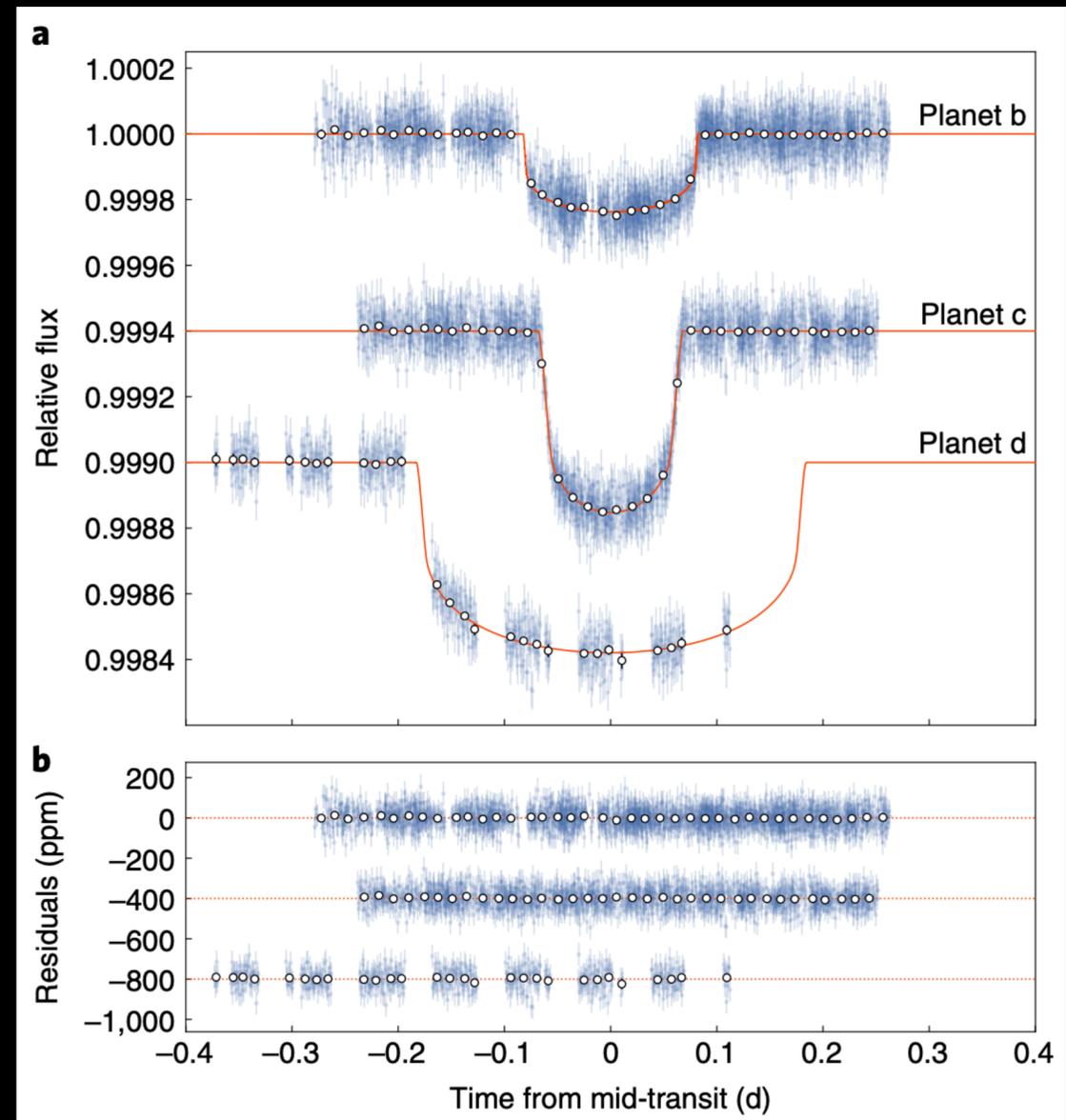
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**$\nu^2$  Lupi d**

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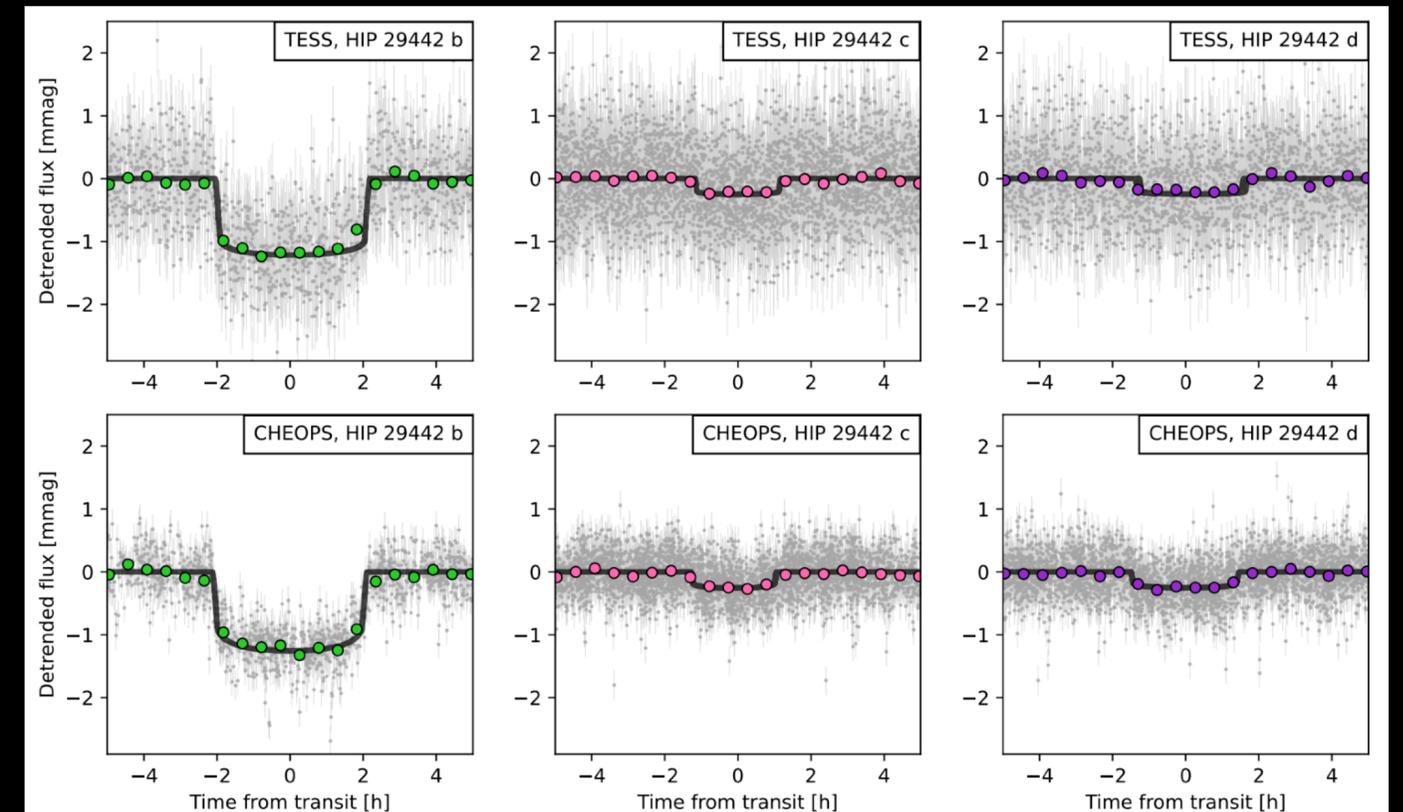
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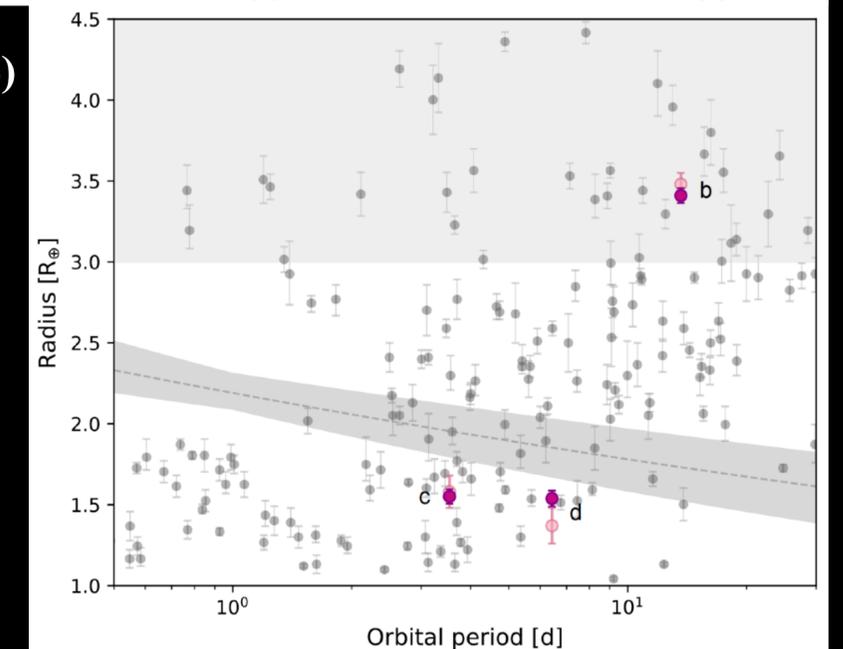
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**HIP 29442**

3 small planets spanning the radius valley



HIP 29442 (Egger et al., 2024)



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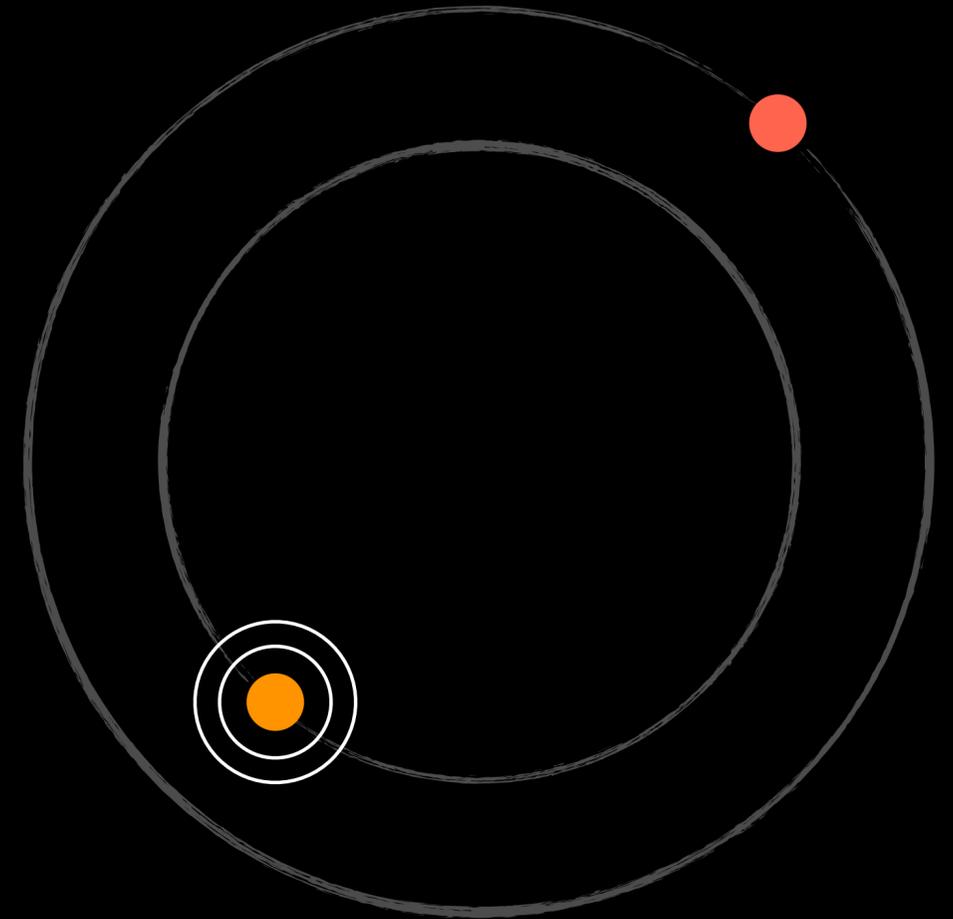
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## S-Valley

Towards a characterisation of the radius valley in binary systems



# Joint CHEOPS - HARPS-N efforts

**TOI-561**

Orbital periods of TOI-561 [days]

.01: 0.45 ; .02: 10.8 ; .03: 16.3

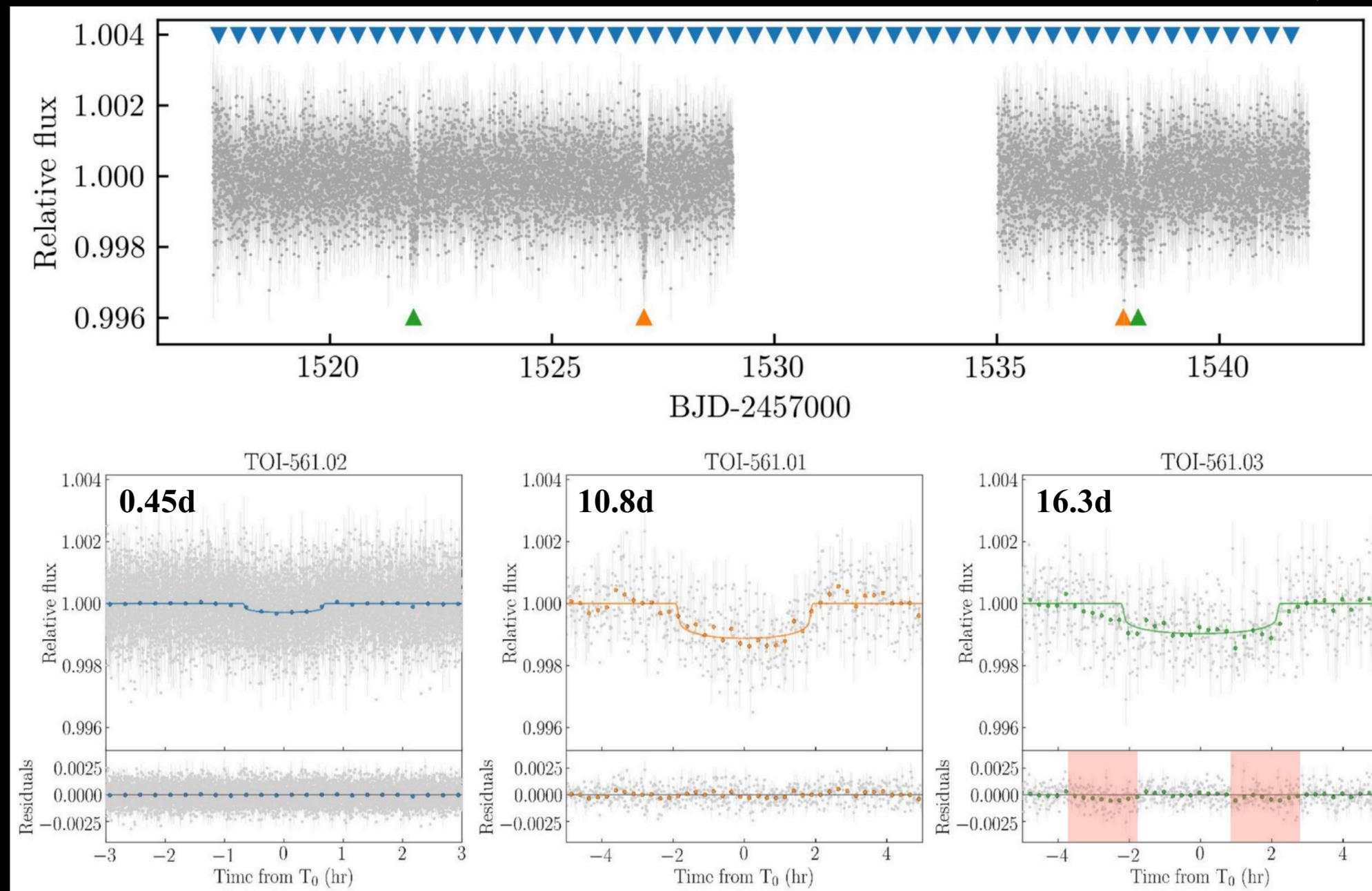
HARPS-N RV follow-up

Revealed 4 signals, at 0.4, 10, 25, 77 days

Is the 16d signal real?

From TESS observations: 3 transiting planet candidates

Lacedelli et al., 2021



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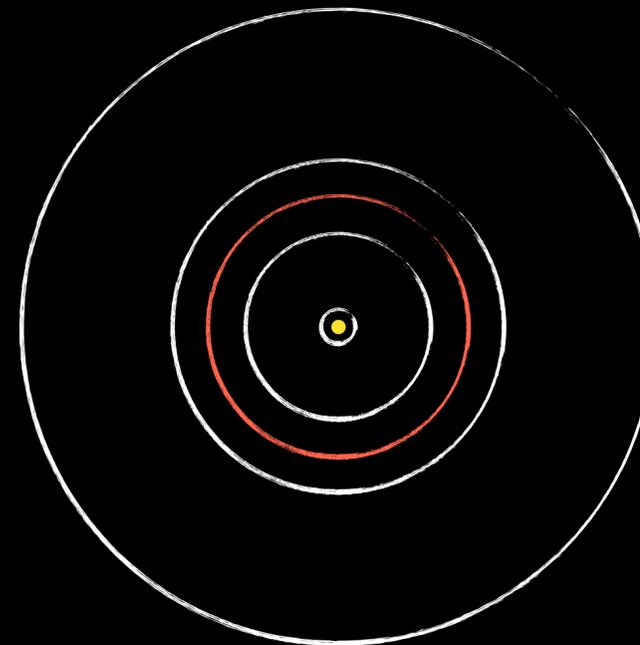
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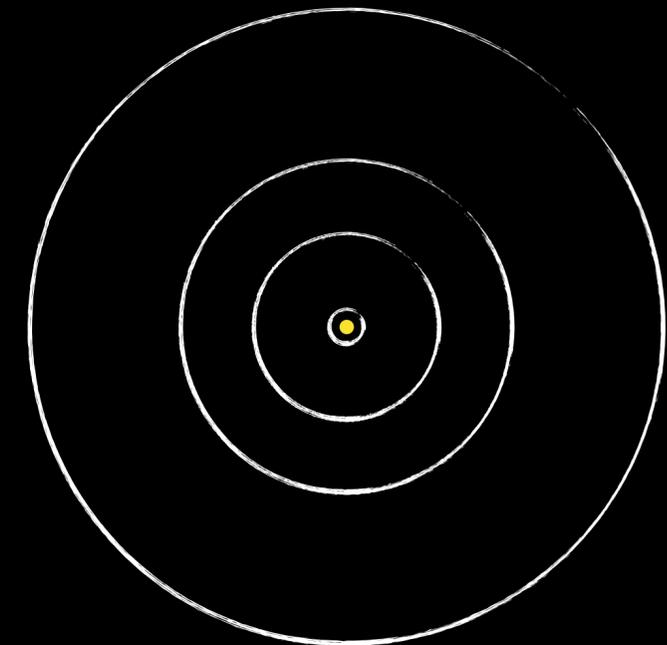
**Model 1**

5 planets (0.4, 10, **16**, 25, 77 d)



**Model 2**

4 planets (0.4, 10, 25, 77 d)



Stability analysis

Model 1 was widely **unstable**

Model 2 was widely **stable**

# Joint CHEOPS - HARPS-N efforts

**TOI-561**

Lacedelli et al., 2021

Orbital periods of TOI-561 [days]

b: **0.45** ; c: **10.8** ; d: 25.6 ; e: 77.2

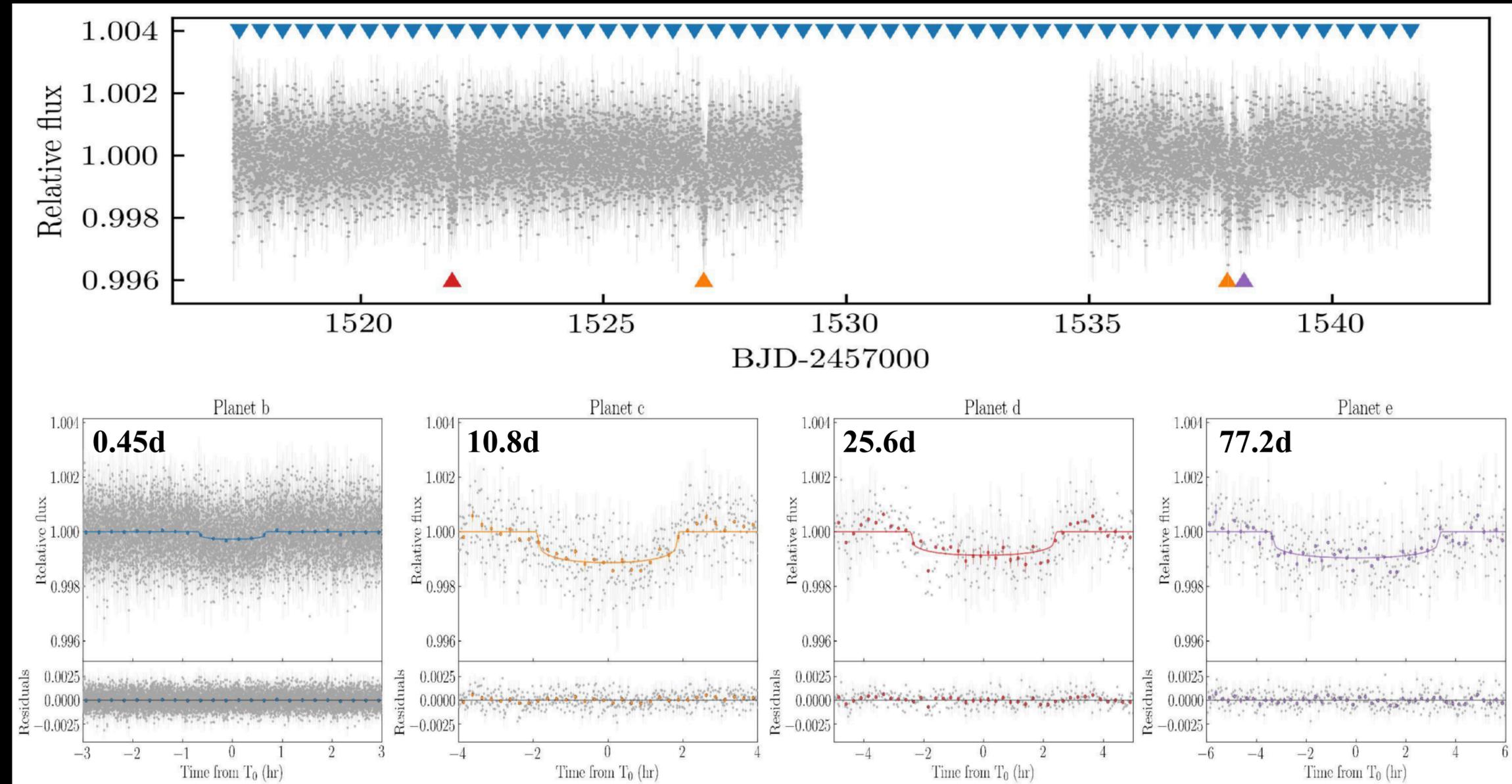
Thanks to the RV data, an alternative model is favoured.

**4 planets!**

All have signatures in RV data

Single transits for planets d and e

**Needs confirmation...**



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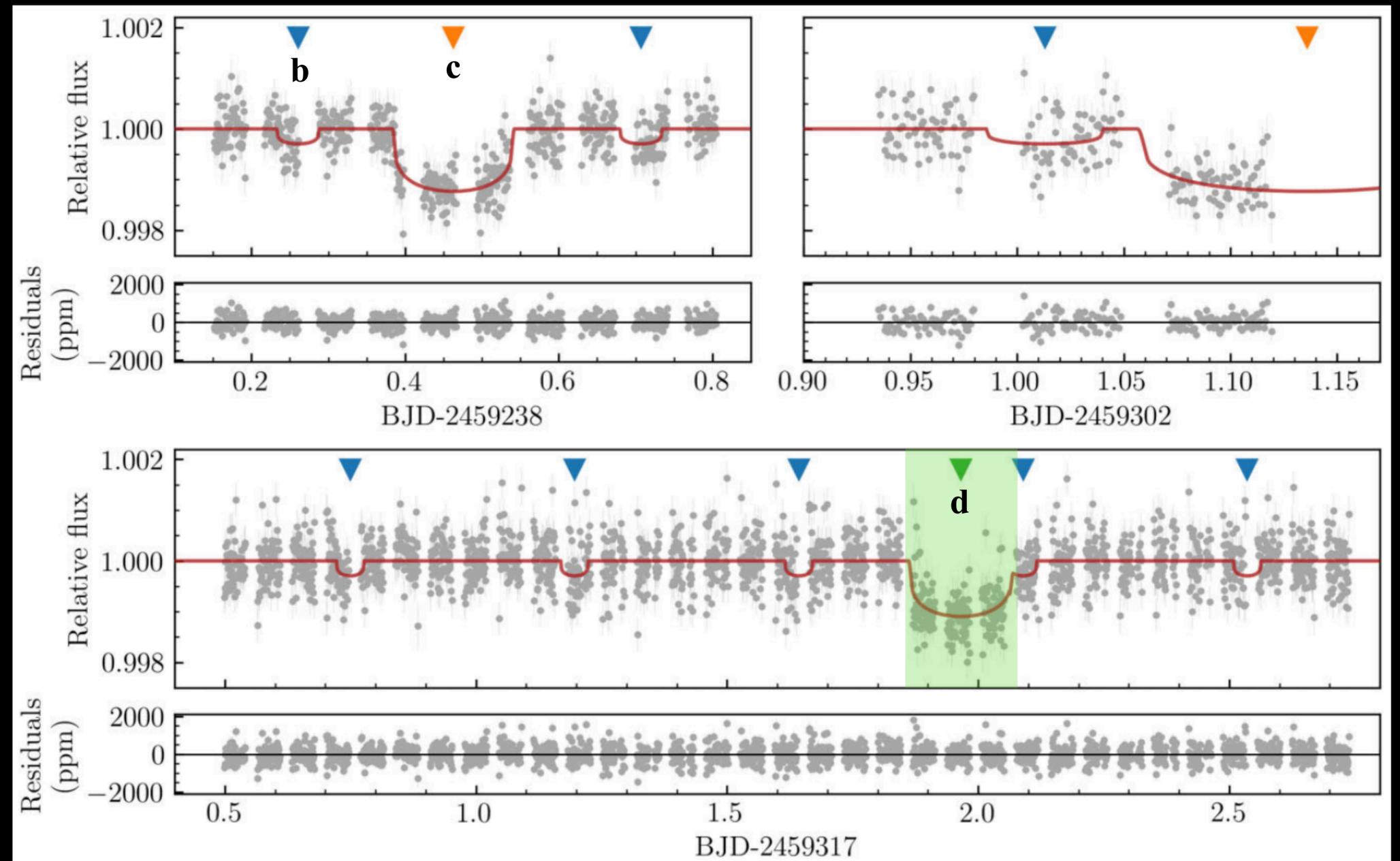
Confirmation of TOI-561 d!

This was possible thanks to:

- HARPS-N dataset which signaled this candidate
- the high flexibility of CHEOPS to perform targeted observations

Follow-up observations with CHEOPS

Lacedelli et al., 2022



# Joint CHEOPS - HARPS-N efforts

## HD 110067 (TOI-1835)

Luque et al., 2023

6 planets in a chain of mean-motion resonances

CHEOPS led to the detection of the system, while HARPS-N measured the mass of the 3 inner planets.

## HD 77946 (TOI-1778)

Palethorpe et al., 2024

Precise characterisation of a sub-Neptune around this F5 star

CHEOPS and HARPS-N were crucial to provide precise mass and radius measurements.

## Monitoring stellar activity

Ongoing analyses...

Parallel CHEOPS and HARPS-N observation campaigns on a bright K-type star

The CHEOPS photometry should provide insights into the activity patterns observed in HARPS-N data.

# Where do the super-Earths and sub-Neptunes come from?

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## CHEOPS + HARPS-N

Measuring the bulk density of super-Earths and sub-Neptunes

Dynamical characterisation:

Fit convergence

Model selection

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