#### Characterising planets around iron-poor stars

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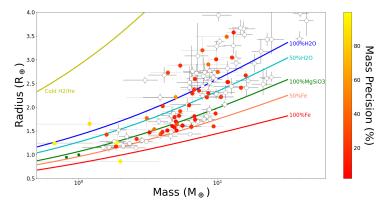
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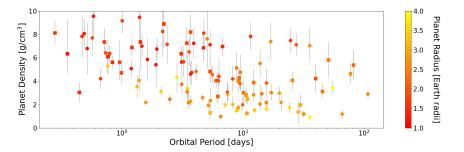


# HARPS-N fills the mass-radius diagram for small planets



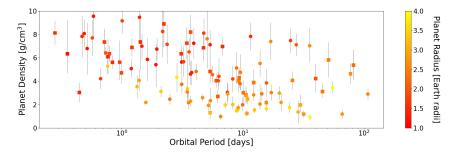
(HARPS-N Collaboration data: Bonomo et al. 2014, 2019; Buchhave et al. 2016; Christiansen et al. 2017; Cloutier et al. 2020a,b,2021; Damasso et al. 2018; 2019; Dressing et al. 2015; Dubber et al. 2019; Frustagli et al. 2020; Gettel et al. 2016; Gillon et al. 2017; Haywood et al. 2018; Kosiarek et al. 2019; Lacedelli et al. 2021; Lopez-Morales et al. 2016; Malavolta et al. 2017, 2018; Mayo et al. 2019; Mortier et al. 2018, 2020; Pepe et al. 2013; Polanski et al. 2021; Rajpaul et al. 2017, 2021; Rice et al. 2019; Santerne et al. 2021; Vanderburg et al. 2015, 2017. Non-HARPS-N Collaboration data: exoplanet.eu)

### Ultra-short period planets get characterised ...



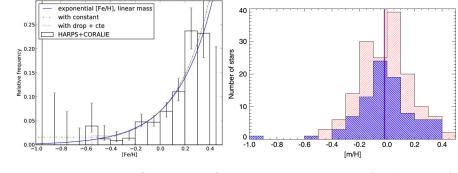
 $\begin{array}{l} {\sf K2-141b-0.2803244\,d-1.51\,R_\oplus-5.08\,M_\oplus~({\sf Malavolta~et~al.~2018})} \\ {\sf Kepler-78b-0.3550\,d-1.173\,R_\oplus-1.86\,M_\oplus~({\sf Pepe~et~al.~2013})} \\ {\sf TOI-561b-0.446578\,d-1.423\,R_\oplus-1.59\,M_\oplus~({\sf Lacedelli~et~al.~2021})} \end{array}$ 

#### as well as the longest period planets.



 $\begin{array}{l} {\sf K2-263b}\ -\ 50.8\ d\ -\ 2.41\ R_\oplus\ -\ 14.8\ M_\oplus\ ({\sf Mortier\ et\ al.\ 2018})\\ {\sf TOI-561e\ -\ 77.2\ d\ -\ 2.67\ R_\oplus\ -\ 16.0\ M_\oplus\ ({\sf Lacedelli\ et\ al.\ 2021})\\ {\sf Kepler-538b\ -\ 81.73778\ d\ -\ 2.215\ R_\oplus\ -\ 10.6\ M_\oplus\ ({\sf Mayo\ et\ al.\ 2019})} \end{array}$ 

## Planets and metallicity

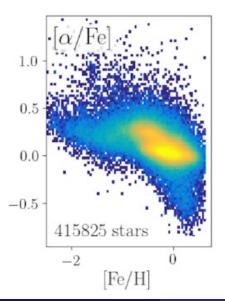


(Mortier et al. 2013a)



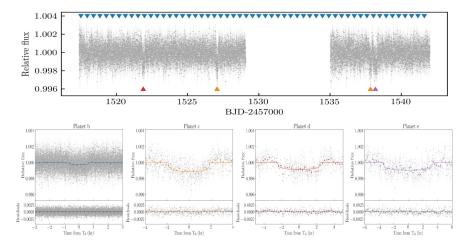
Large planets prefer high metallicity (not clear what happens at lower end). Small planets seem to have no metallicity preference

#### Metallicity is complicated



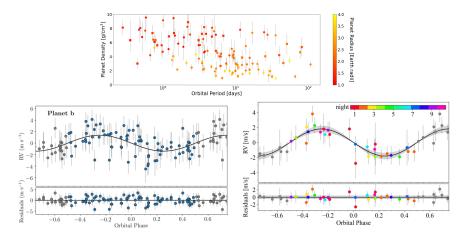
"Iron"-poor stars are enhanced in alpha-elements (Mg, Si, C, ...). How does this influence their orbiting planets? See also Adibekyan et al. 2012, 2021; Dorn et al. 2015, 2017; and Bonsor et al. 2021.

(reproduced from Buder et al. 2021 - GALAH+ survey results)



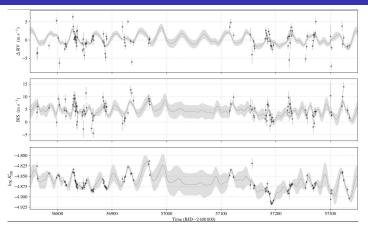
Are there 3 or 4 transiting planets? (Lacedelli et al. 2021)

# TOI-561 b has an unusually low density



Small ultra-sort period planets should not retain a large atmosphere. Does TOI-561 b have a large water envelope or a much smaller iron core? (Lacedelli et al. 2021)

# Kepler-37d - an advert for Cambridge expertise

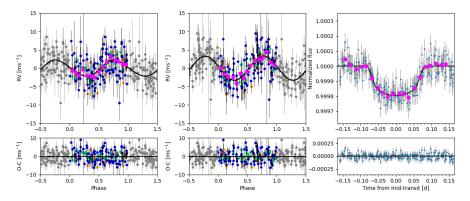


(Rajpaul et al. 2021)

Independent RV extraction (Rajpaul et al. 2020) and in-depth stellar activity modeling (Rajpaul et al. 2015) using Polychord (Handley, Hobson & Lasenby 2015) led to the extraction of the smallest significant RV semi-amplitude  $(1.22 \pm 0.31 \text{ m/s})$  with HARPS(-N) data.

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## K2-111b - iron-poor planet around iron-poor star



$$\begin{split} \mathsf{R}_{p,b} &= 1.82 \pm 0.1 \, \mathsf{R}_\oplus \text{ and } \mathsf{M}_{p,b} = 5.29 \pm 0.77 \, \mathsf{M}_\oplus \\ \text{Iron core with a mass fraction of around 10% in a two-layer model;} \\ \text{Consistent with its iron-poor, alpha-enhanced host star.} \\ \text{Non-transiting planet in near-resonance: } \mathsf{M}_{p,c} &= 11.3 \pm 1.1 \, \mathsf{M}_\oplus \end{split}$$

(Mortier et al. 2020)

# Conclusions - small planets are fun! (but hard)

