

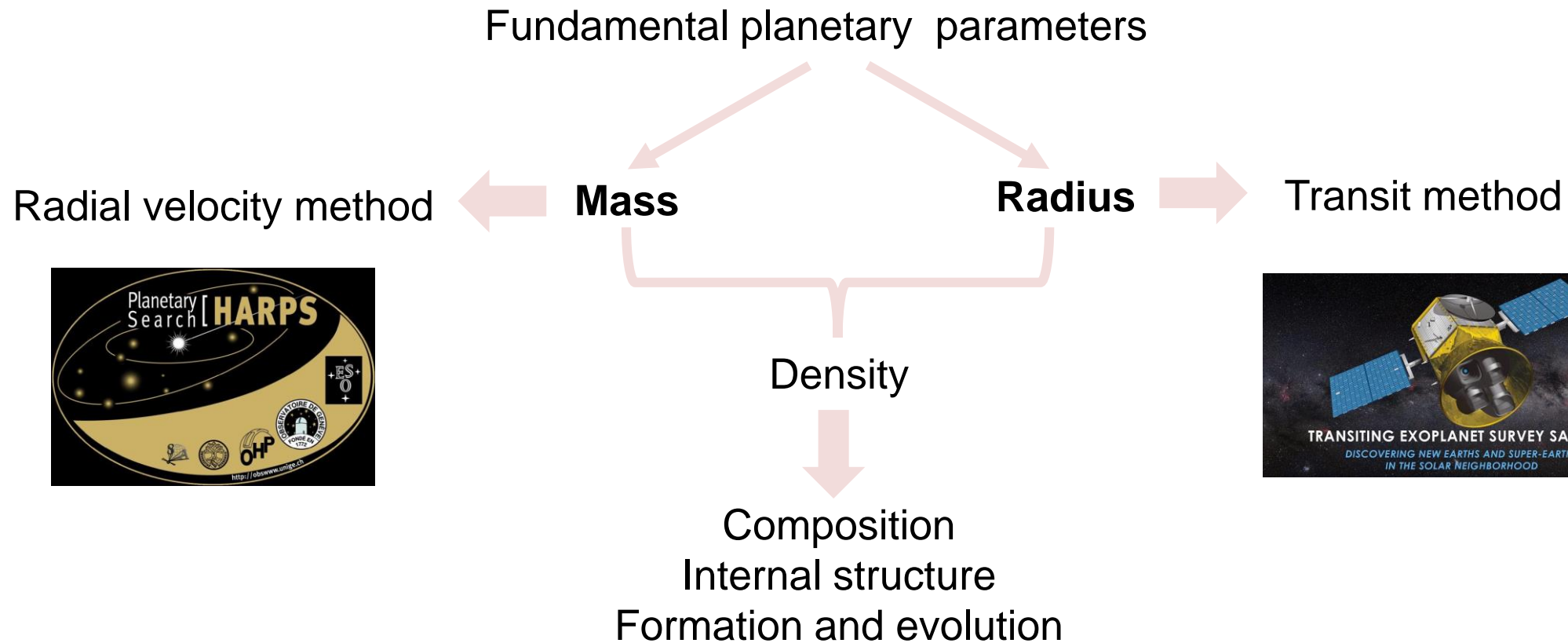
# TOI-396

# Planetary characterisation

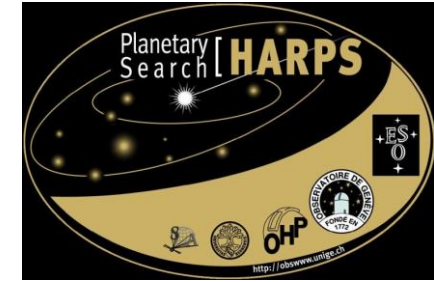
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# The scientific case



# Radial Velocity Method



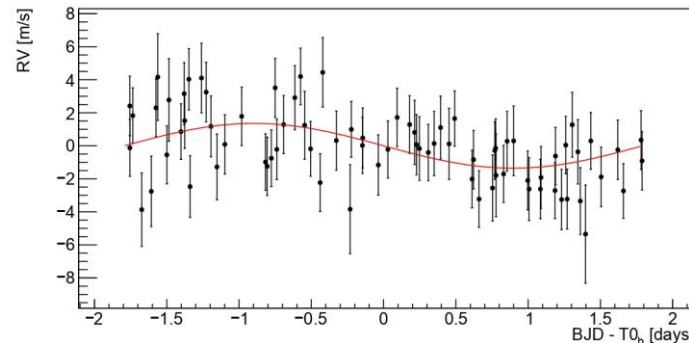
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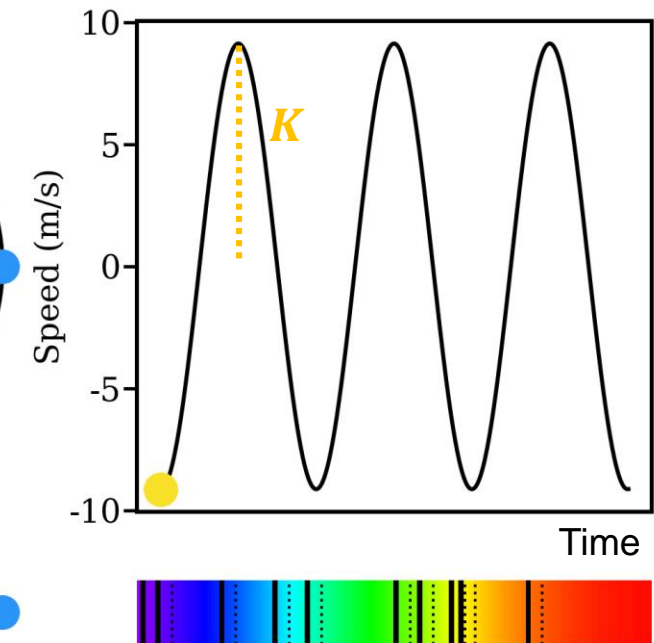
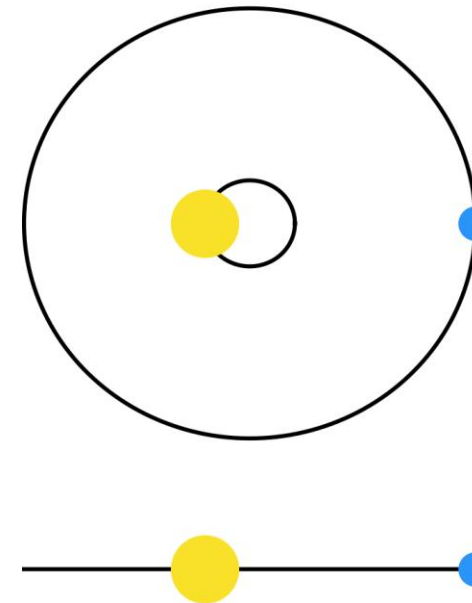
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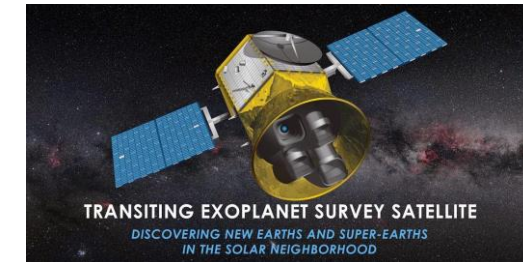
Planetary mass determination



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# Transit Method

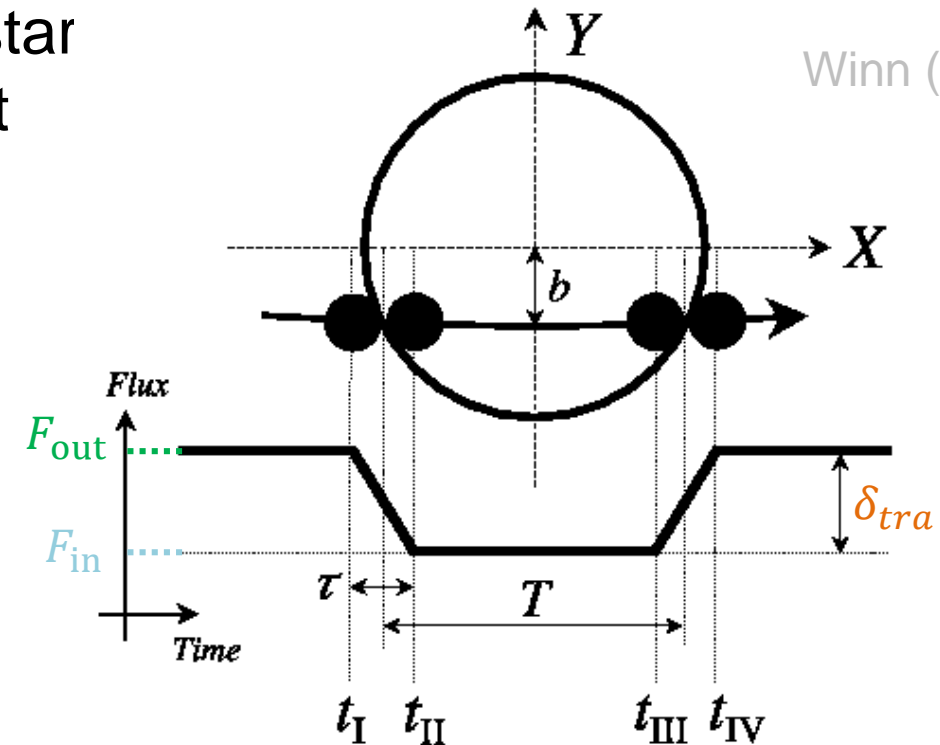
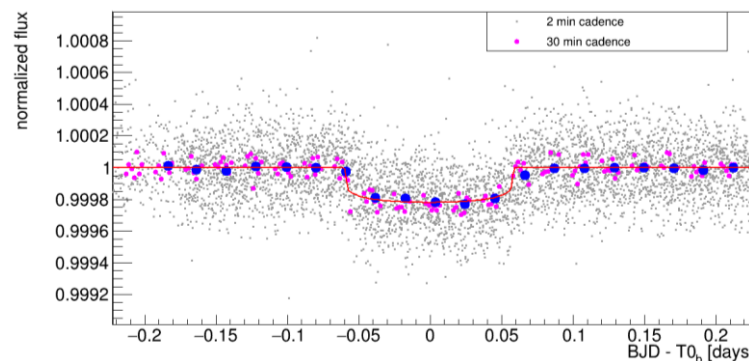


Periodic dimming of the brightness of the star as the orbiting planet transits in front of it

TESS transit observations



Planetary radius determination



Winn (2010)

# Stellar Activity

Star spots, flares, faculae



Correlation with stellar rotational period



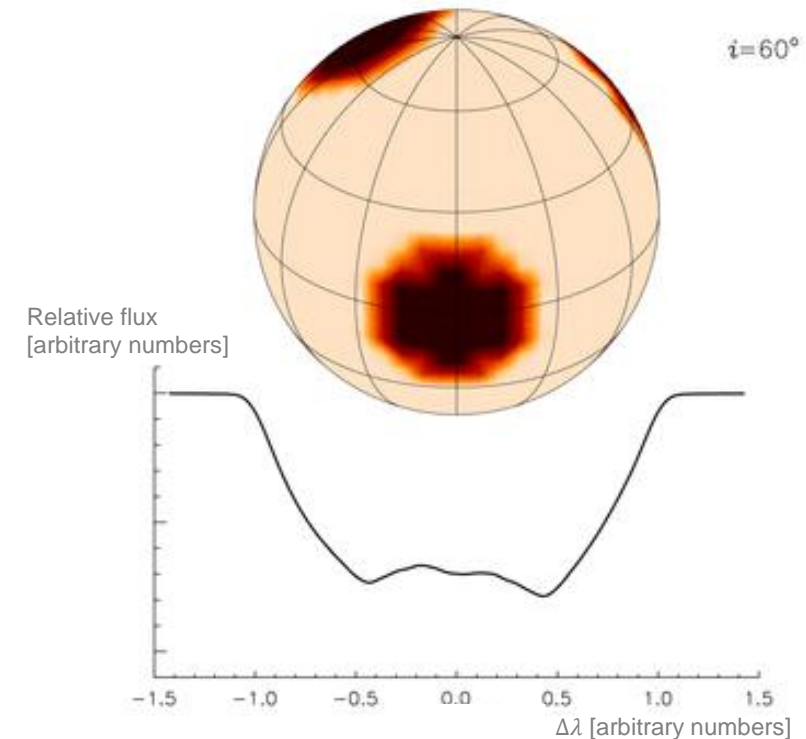
Potentially masking a planetary signal



RV detrending using break-point method



Stellar activity is not stationary



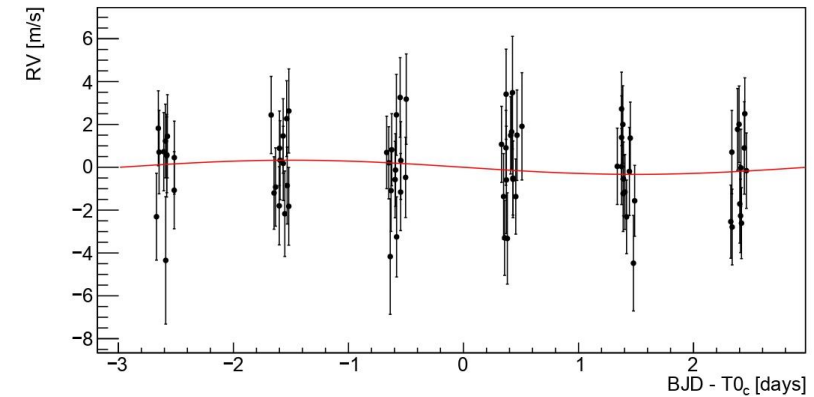
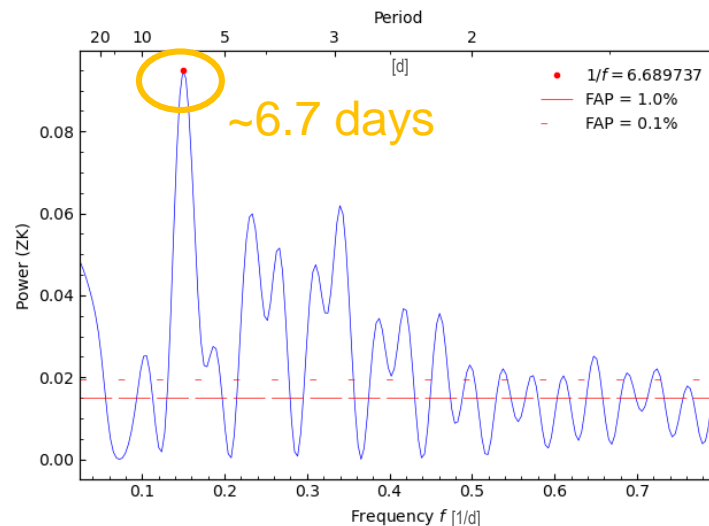
Axel Hahlin et al. (2018)

# Stellar Activity

TOI-396 c RV signal is not statistically detected



Hypothesis:  $P_{rot} \approx P_c$

Periodograms of activity indicators



Stellar activity covered the RV signal generated by TOI-396 c

# Results







- Discovery paper: Vanderburg (2019)  
 Radii determination using transit method
- My work: Joint analysis of RV time series and transits using a Markov Chain Monte Carlo code (Bonfanti & Gillon, 2020)  
 Masses and radii determination

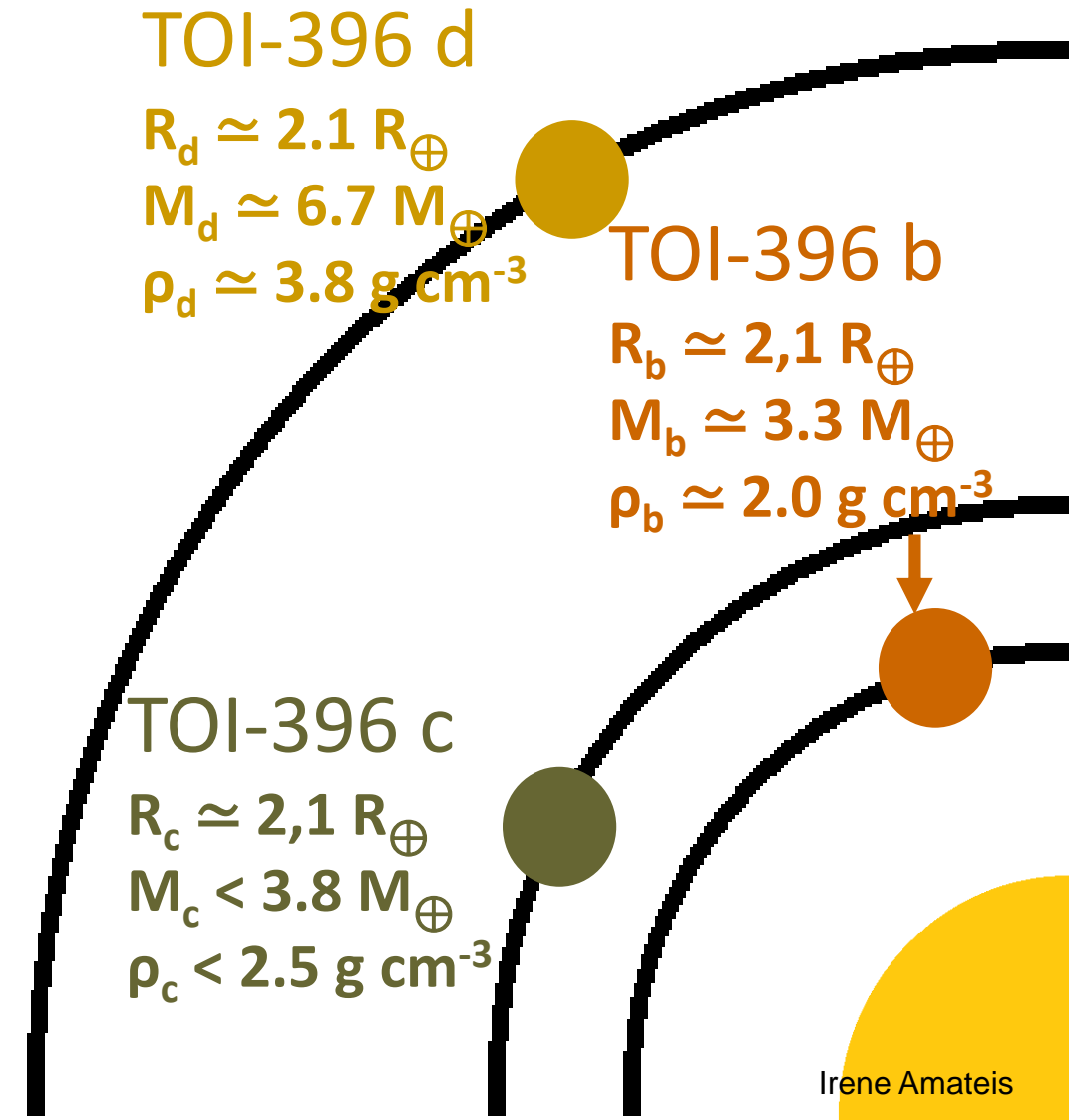
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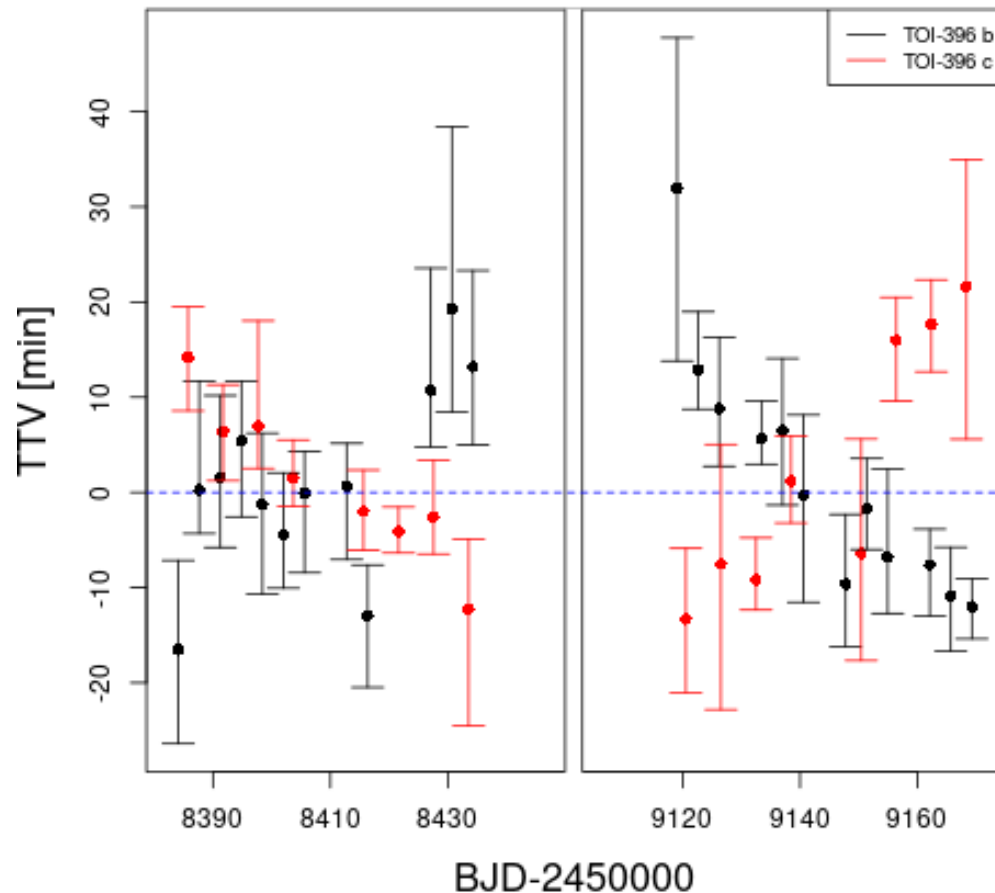


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# Transit timing variations (TTV)



Anti-correlation pattern in TTV of TOI-396 b and c



Mean motion resonance



$$\frac{P_c}{P_b} \cong 1,666213 \approx 5 : 3$$



Proof that TOI-396 c orbits around TOI-396



# Un unusual system

Atmospheric characterization needed

A paper on this thesis is the process of being submitted

