

The background of the slide is a composite image. The top half shows the CoRoT satellite in deep space, with its gold-colored cylindrical body and a large, flat, rectangular solar panel array extending from it. The bottom half shows a view of Earth from space, with the blue and white clouds of the planet visible. The text is overlaid on a dark, semi-transparent rectangular area in the center.

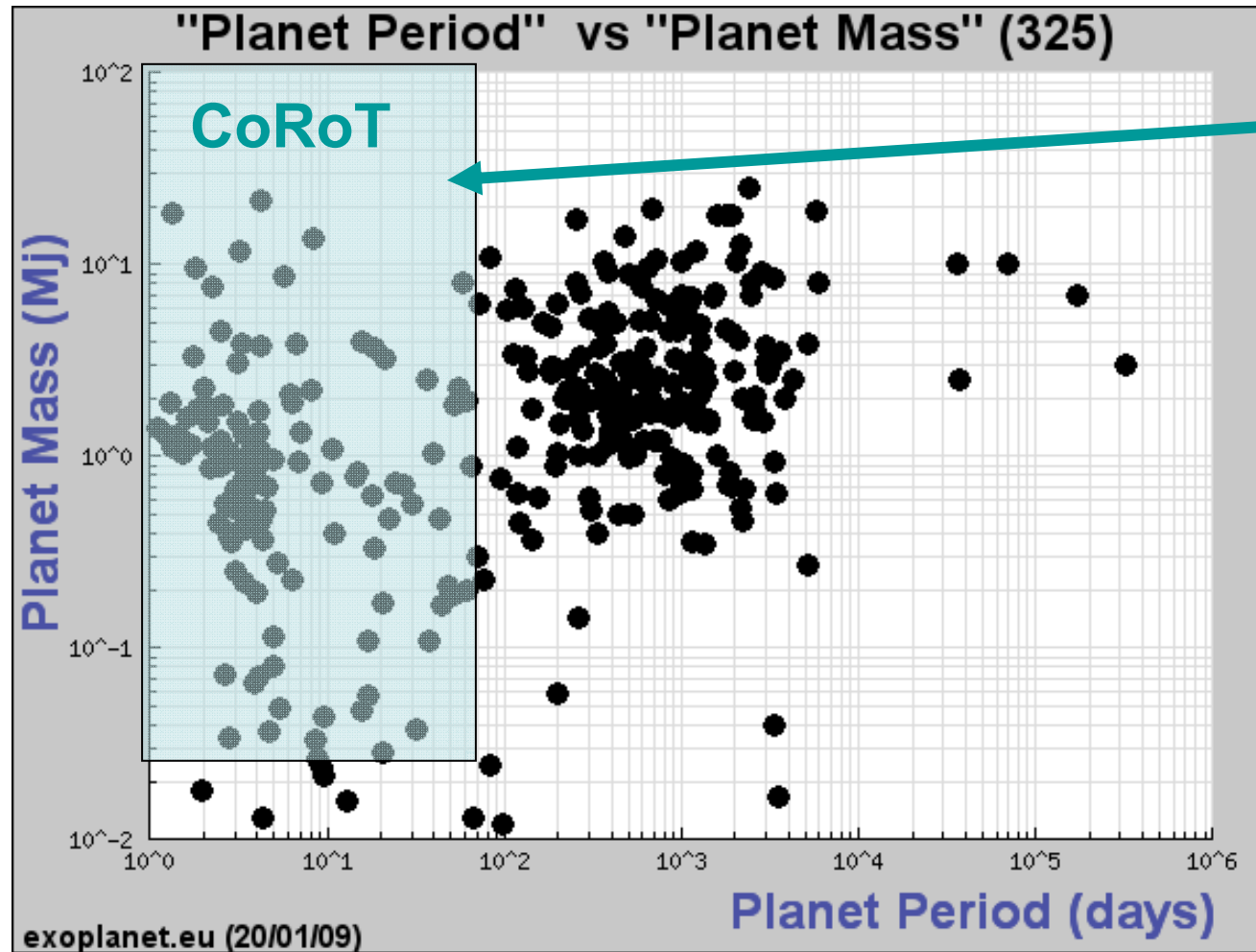
# **CoRoT's exoplanet harvest**

## **The giants!**

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# Known extrasolar planets



Detection  
space for  
CoRoT



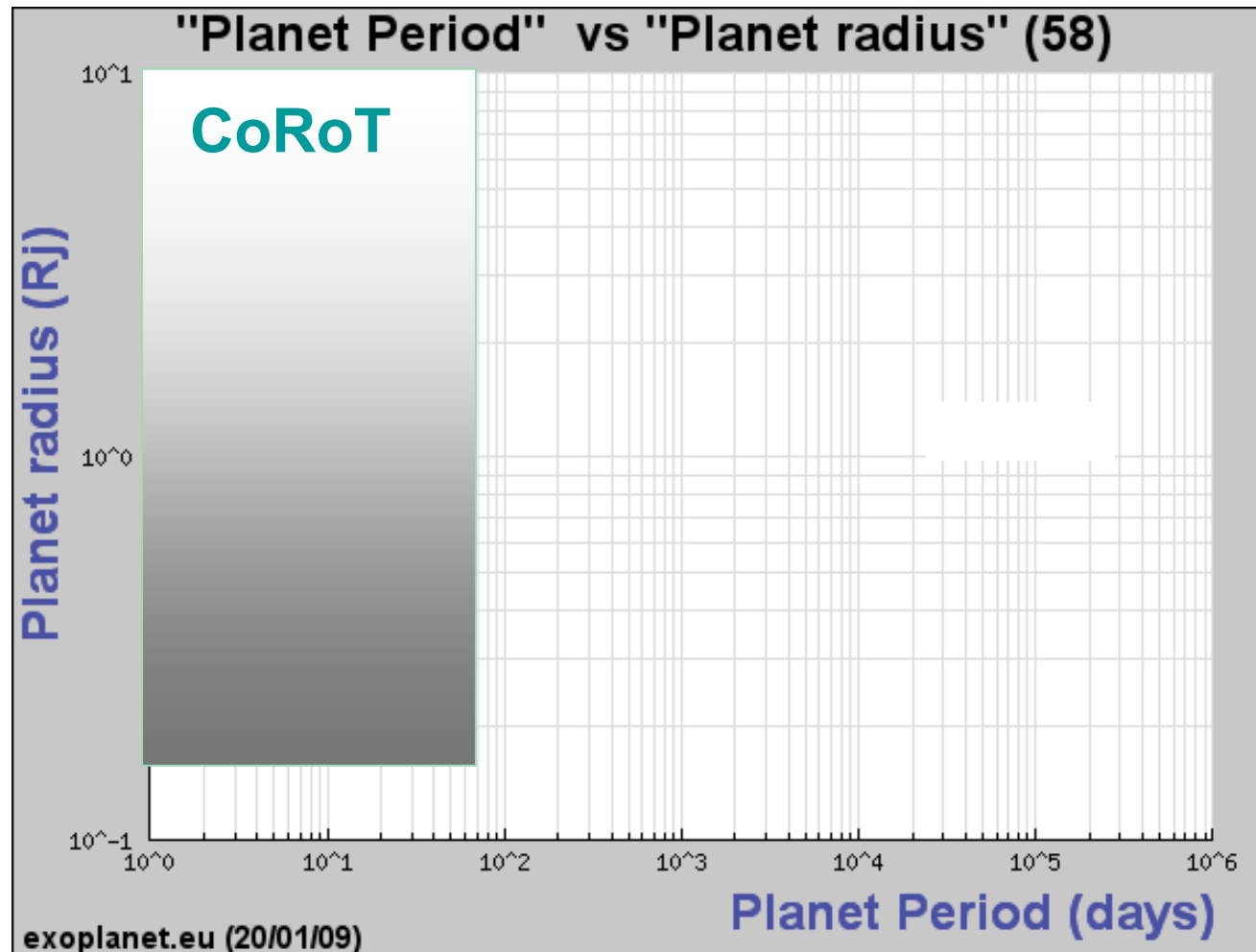
**Today, of the known planets only transiting planets can be characterized further.**

- **Basic planet parameters (mass, radius, density) when combined with radial velocity follow-up**
- **albedo, spectral signatures of atmospheres when combined with IR photometry and with spectroscopy**



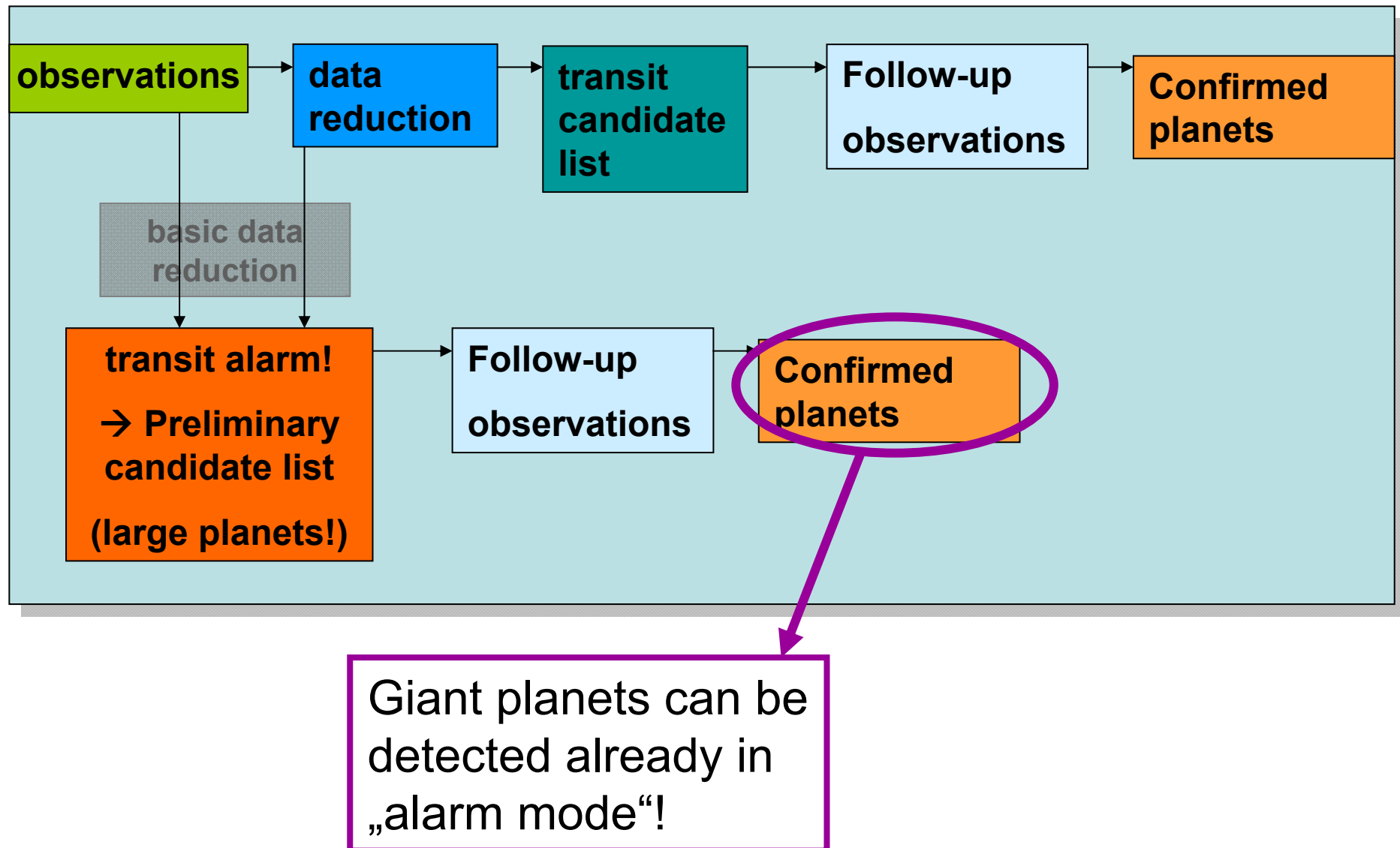
# Transiting extrasolar planets

„Discovery space“ for CoRoT



→ A large parameter space of transiting planets is still unexplored!

# How CoRoT planet detection works...



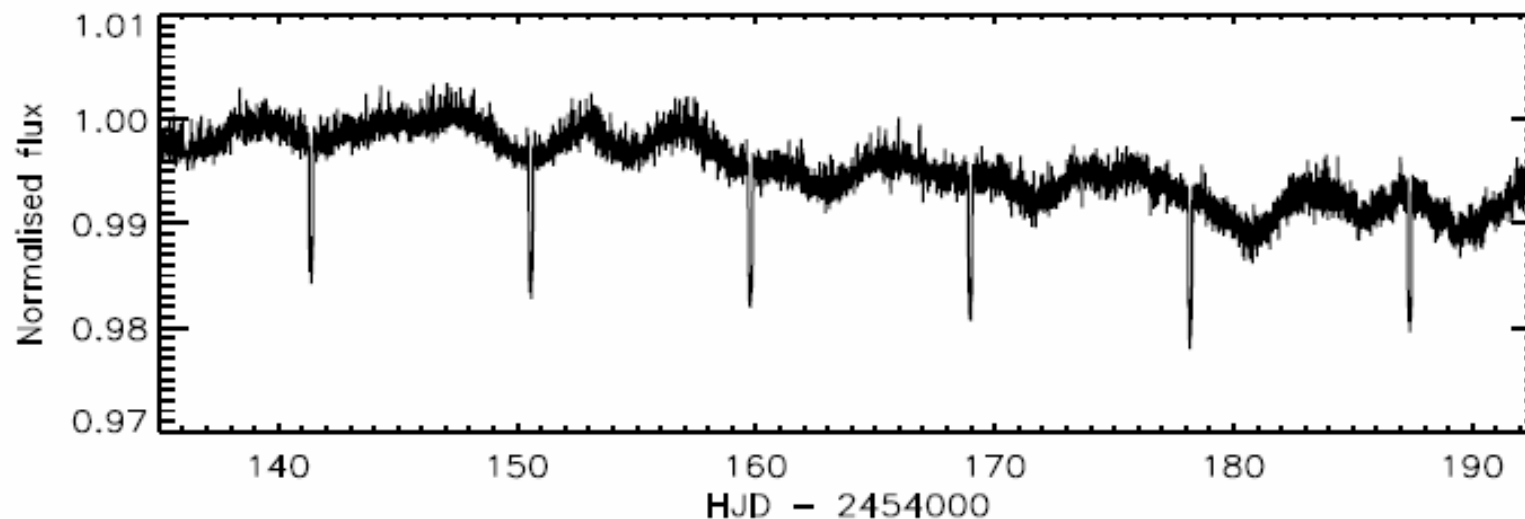


## Close-in giant objects can be discovered in „alarm mode“

- Very high S/N of data
- transit events visible at N1 level

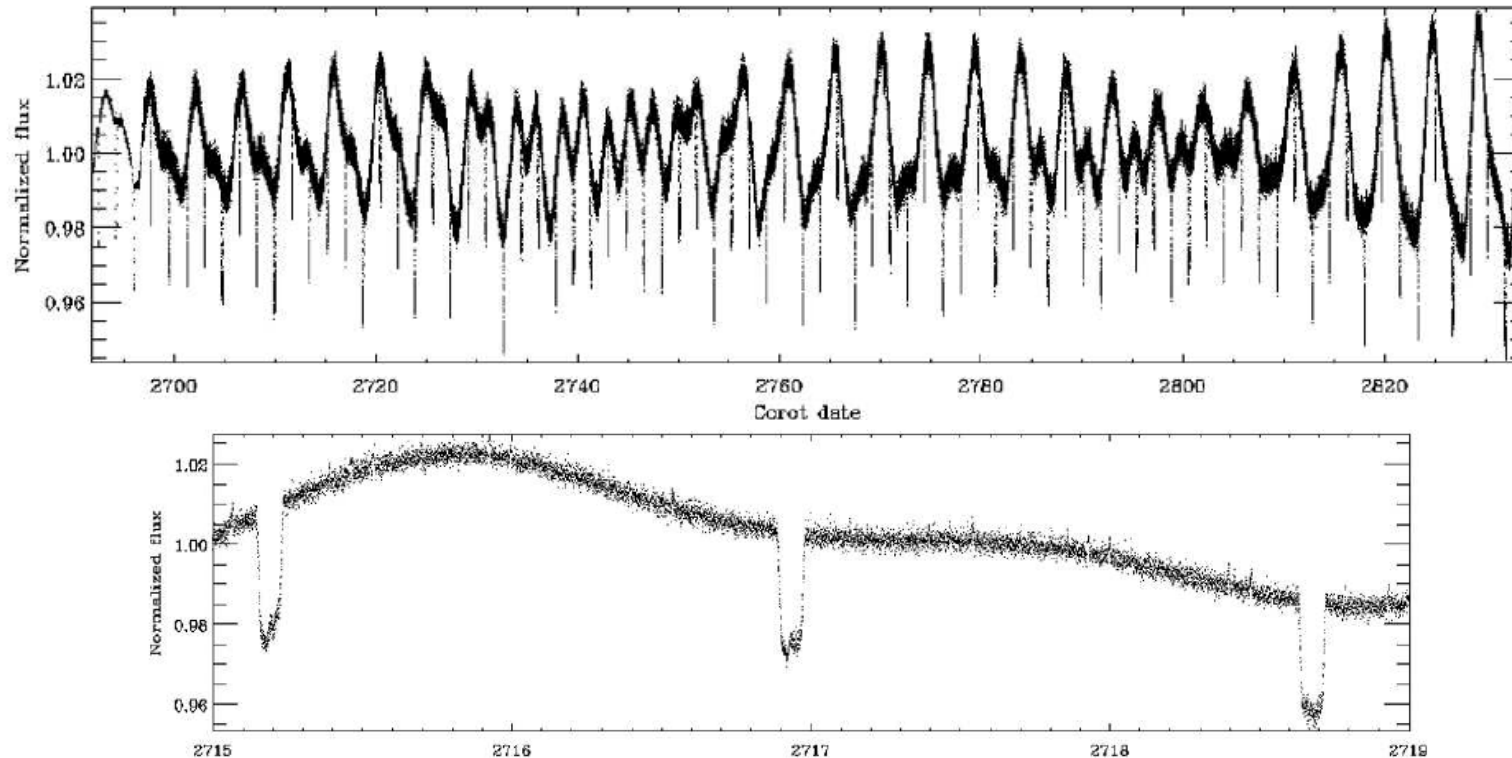
For example:

**CoRoT-Exo-4b**



- Observations made during the „initial run“ of 58 days duration, starting Feb. 6, 2007
- ~72319 flux measurements
- 33 days with 512 s sampling, then switched to 32 s sampling

# Transiting planets around variable stars e.g.: CoRoT-Exo-2b



Alonso et al. 2008

- Observations made during the first „long run“ of CoRoT of 152 days duration
  - ~369000 flux measurements with 512 s (1. week) and then 32 s sampling
- The star shows periodic variation over several days due to surface spots
- The transit signal is clearly identified; secondary transit tentative ( $2.5 \sigma$ )



# The „first 4“!

## CoRoT-Exo-1b

### CoRoT-Exo-1b:

P: 1.5089557 d

r: 1.49  $R_J$

m: 1.03  $M_J$

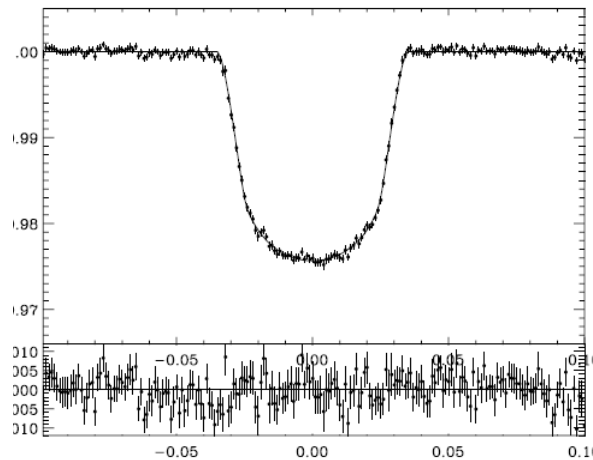
### The star:

G0V

V = 13.6 mag

R: 1.11  $R_s$

M: 0.95  $M_s$



Barge et al. 2008

## CoRoT-Exo-2b

### CoRoT-Exo-2b:

P: 1.742996 d

r: 1.465  $R_J$

m: 3.31  $M_J$

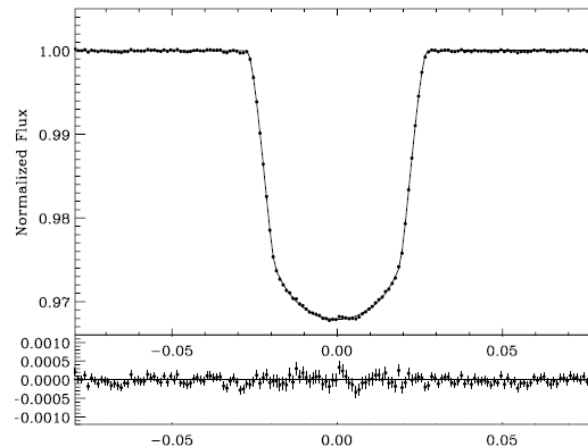
### The star:

K0V

V=12.6 mag

R: 0.902  $R_s$

M: 0.97  $M_s$



Alonso et al. 2008

## CoRoT-Exo-3b

### CoRoT-Exo-3b:

P: 4.2568 d

r: 1.01  $R_J$

m: 21.66  $M_J$

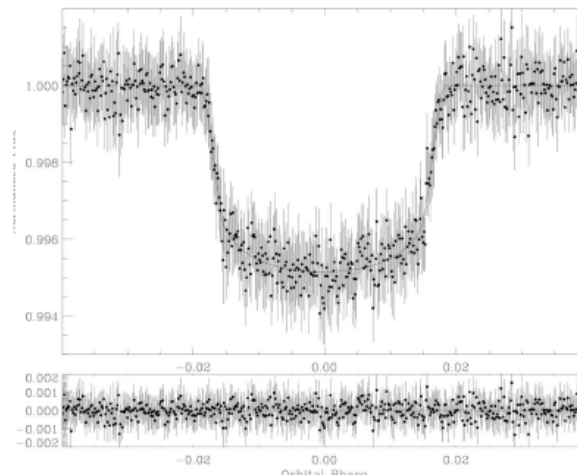
### The star:

G0V

V = 13.3 mag

R: 1.56  $R_s$

M: 1.37  $M_s$



Deleuil et al. 2008

## CoRoT-Exo-4b

### CoRoT-Exo-4b:

P: 9.20205 d

r: 1.19  $R_J$

m: 0.72  $M_J$

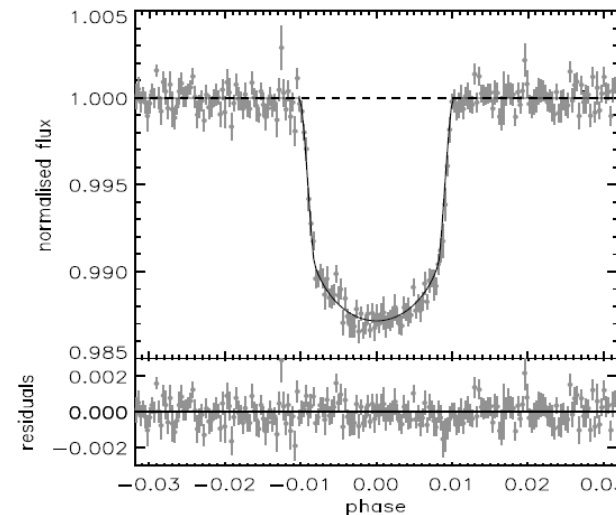
### The star:

F0V

V=13.7 mag

R: 1.15  $R_s$

M: 1.1  $M_s$



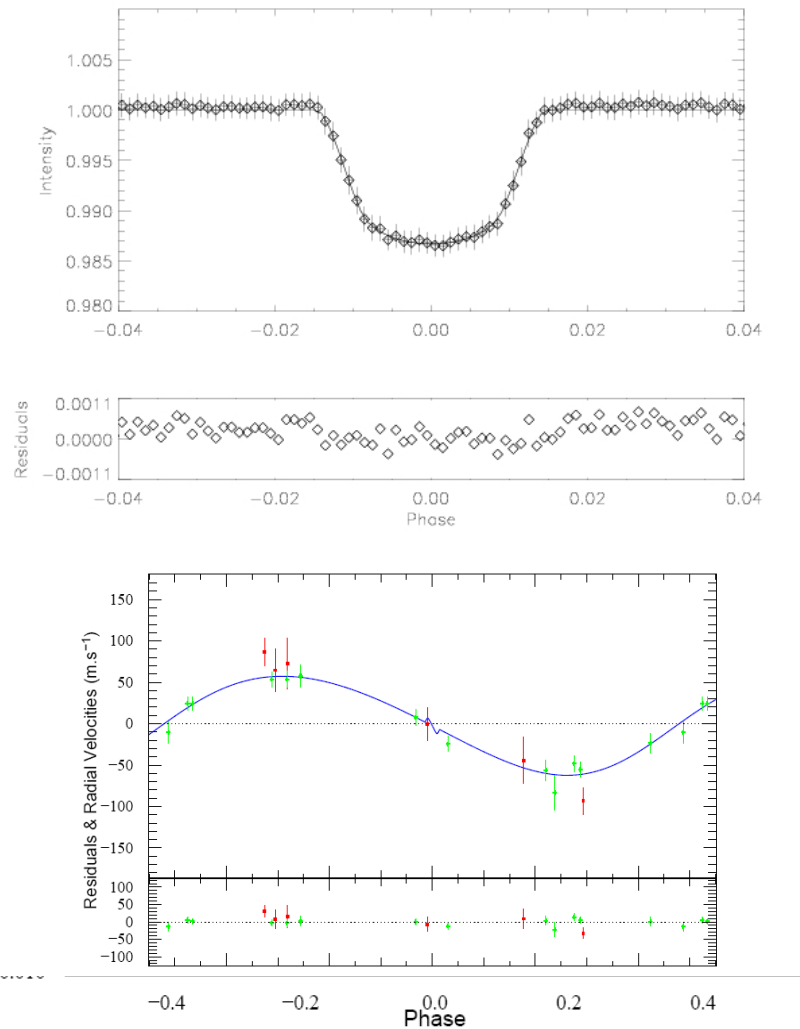
Agrain et al. and Moutou et al. 2008





# The „next two“ I

## CoRoT-Exo-5b



### CoRoT-Exo-5b:

period: 4.0384 d

radius: 1.28  $R_J$

mass: 0.459  $M_J$

### The star:

F9V

V = 14.0 mag

radius: 1.16  $R_{\text{sun}}$

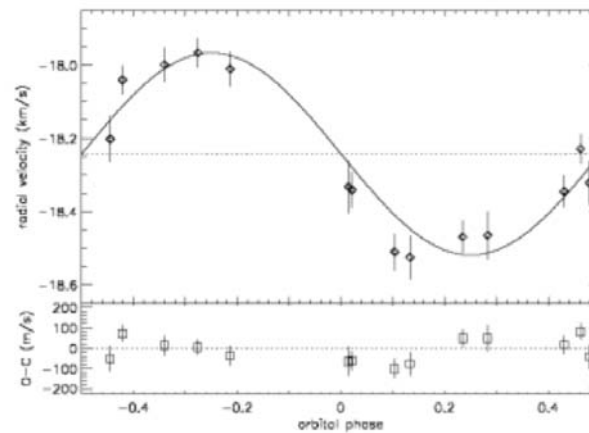
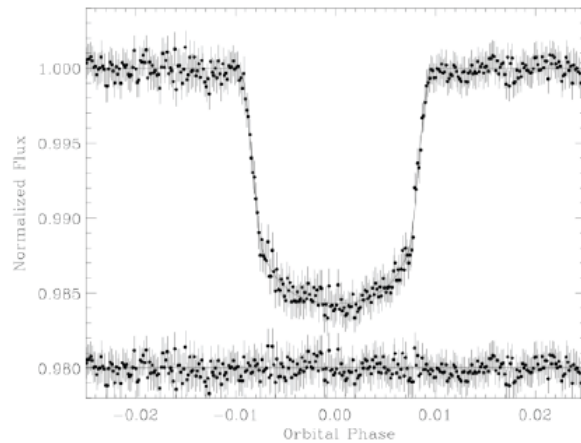
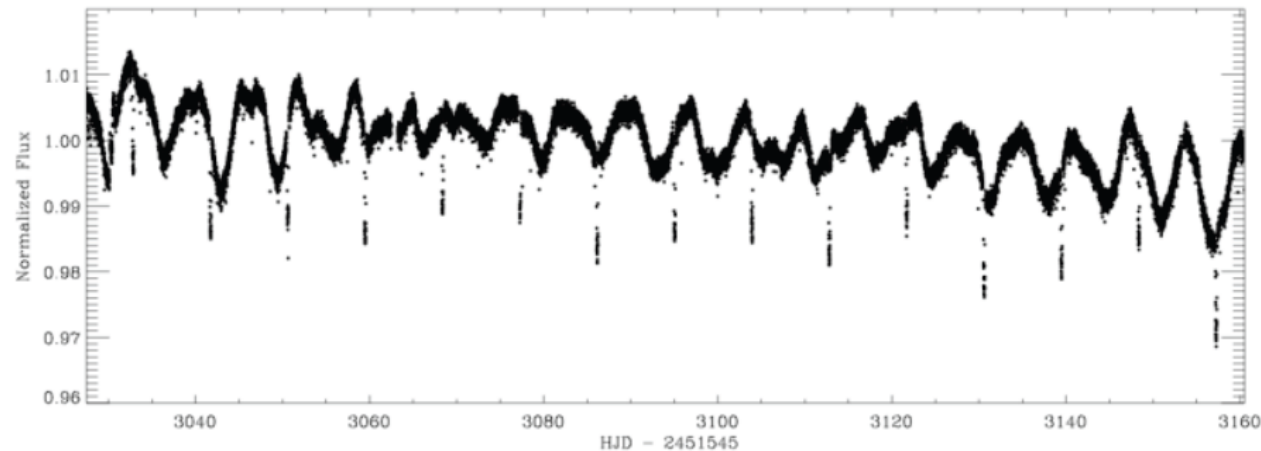
mass: 1.01  $M_{\text{sun}}$

See poster Rauer et al.



# The „next two“ II

## CoRoT-Exo-6b



### CoRoT-Exo-6b:

period: 8.88 d  
radius:  $1.15 R_J$   
mass:  $3.3 M_J$

### The star:

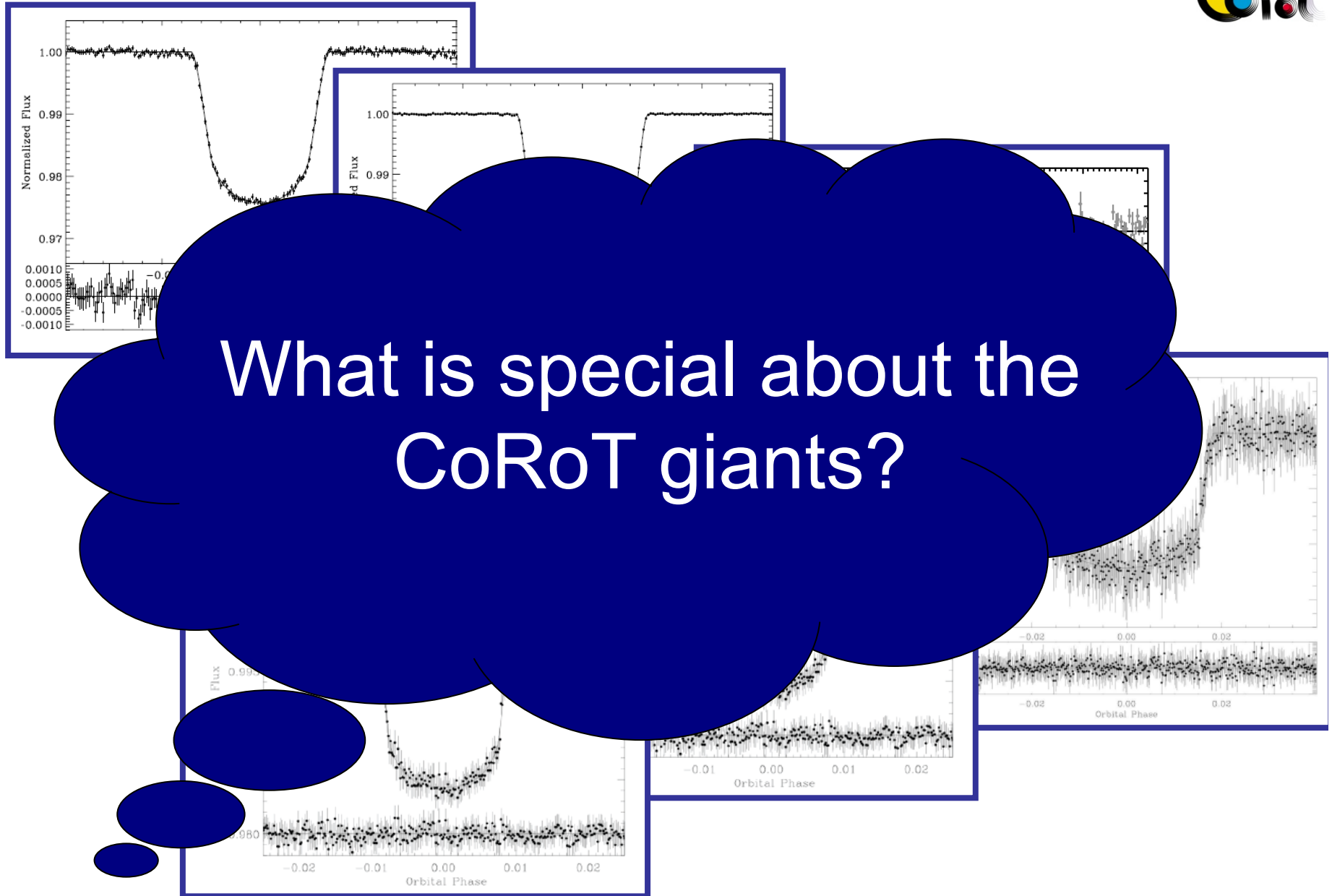
V: 13.9 mag  
period:  $\sim 6.35$  d  
radius:  $1.02 R_{\text{sun}}$   
mass:  $1.1 M_{\text{sun}}$

See poster Fridlund et al.

# „Discovery space“ for CoRoT

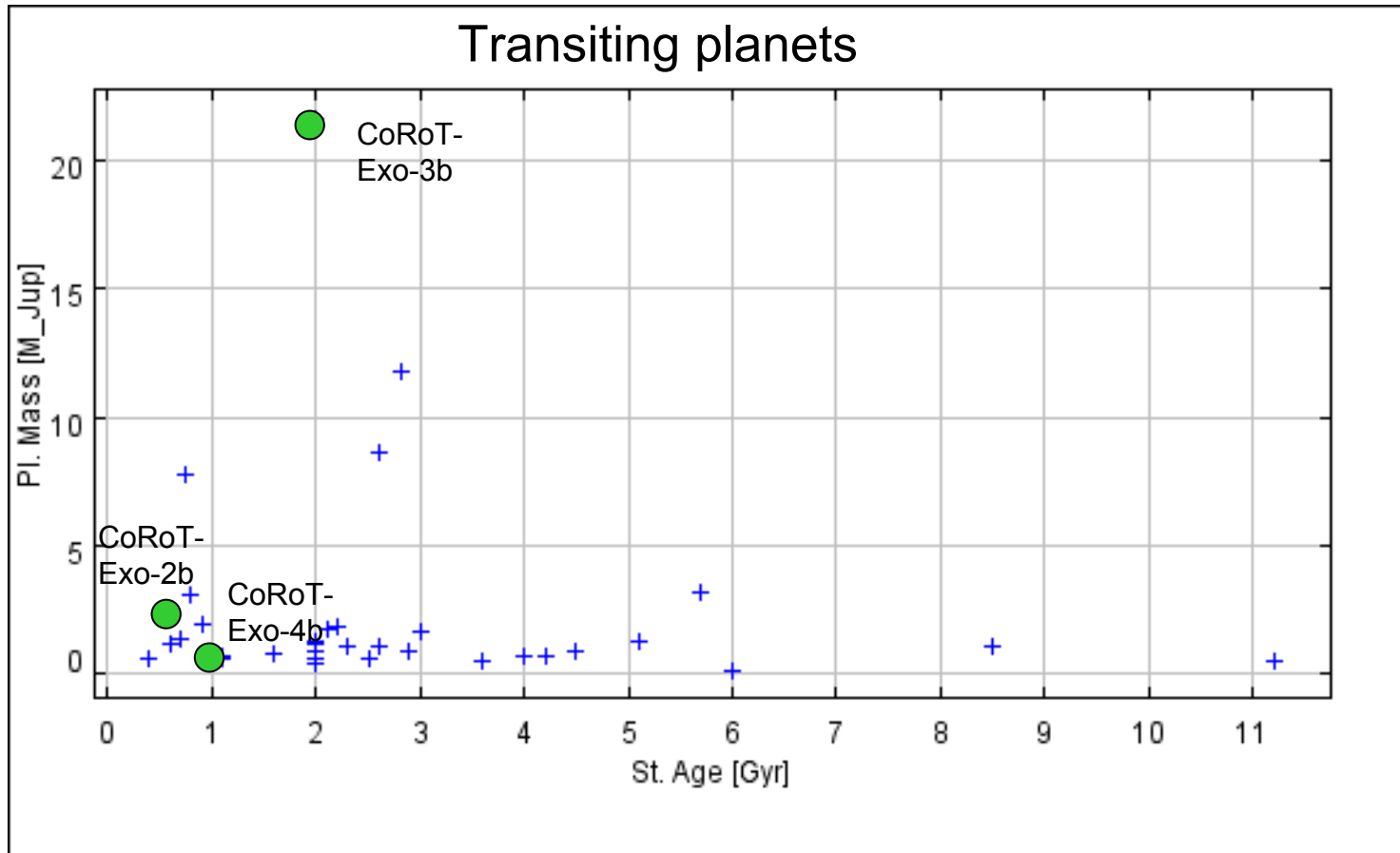


What is special about the  
CoRoT giants?



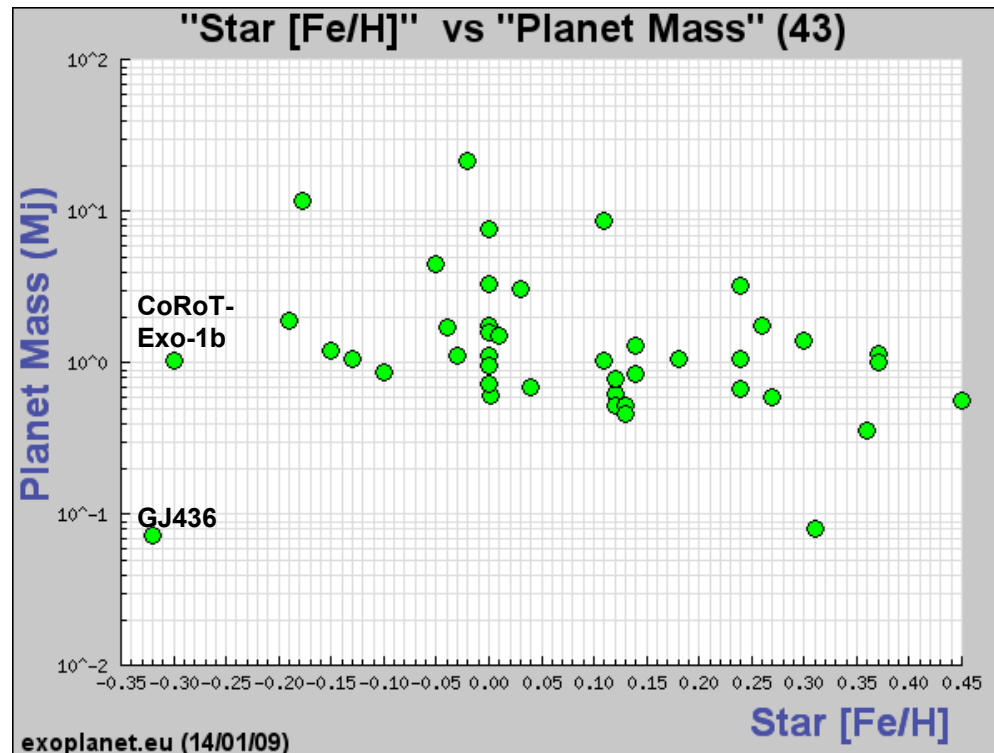


## Planetary systems of different ages





## Planets around metal-poor stars



CoRoT-Exo-1b orbits one of the most metal-poor stars.

The star (Barge et al. 2008):

Type: G0V

Mass:  $0.95 (\pm 0.15) M_{\text{sun}}$

Radius:  $1.11 (\pm 0.05) R_{\text{sun}}$

Fe/H:  $-0.3 (\pm 0.25)$

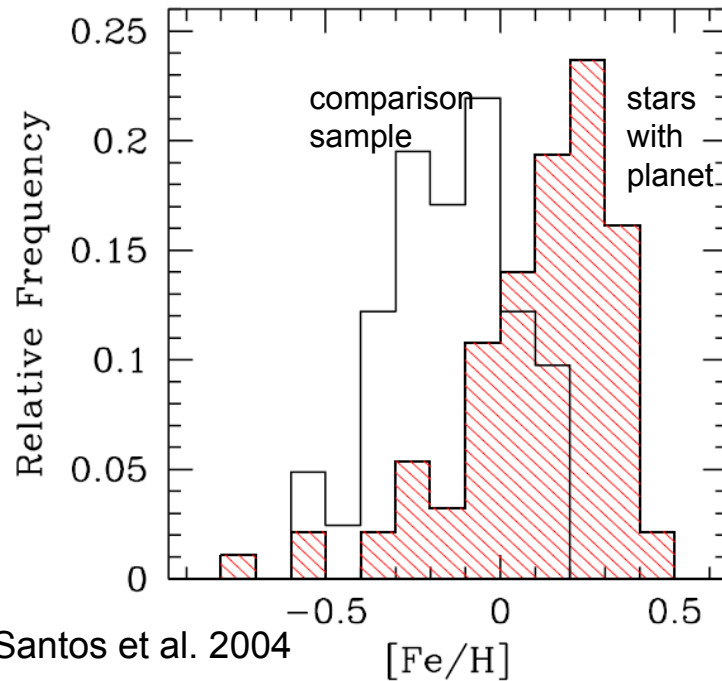
Teff:  $5950 (\pm 150) \text{ K}$

V: 13.6 mag

# Planets and stellar metallicity



Stars with planets show higher metallicity:

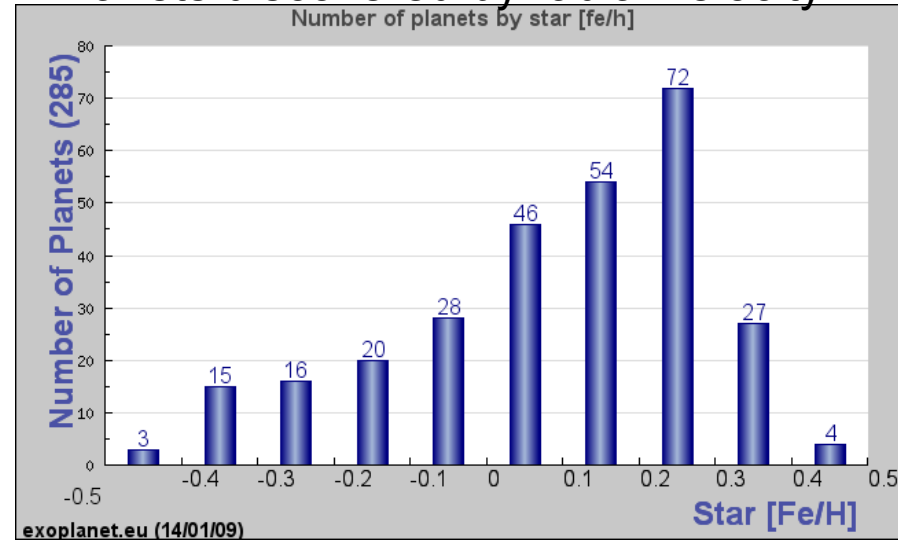


Santos et al. 2004

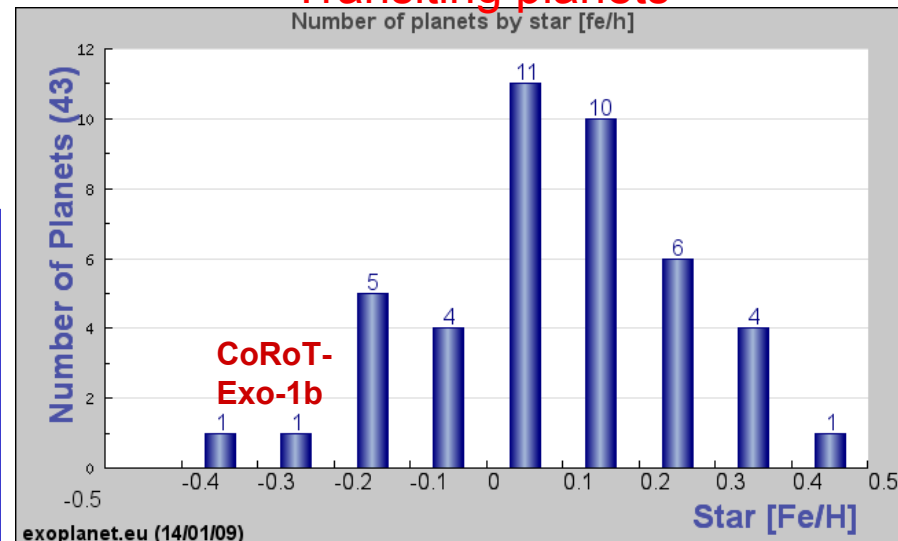
also e.g.: Valenti & Fischer 2008

- rv-planet searches early established a correlation of high stellar metallicity with planetary systems
  - transiting surveys show less pronounced preference for high metallicity
- Importance of „bias free“ planet searches

Planets discovered by radial velocity



Transiting planets



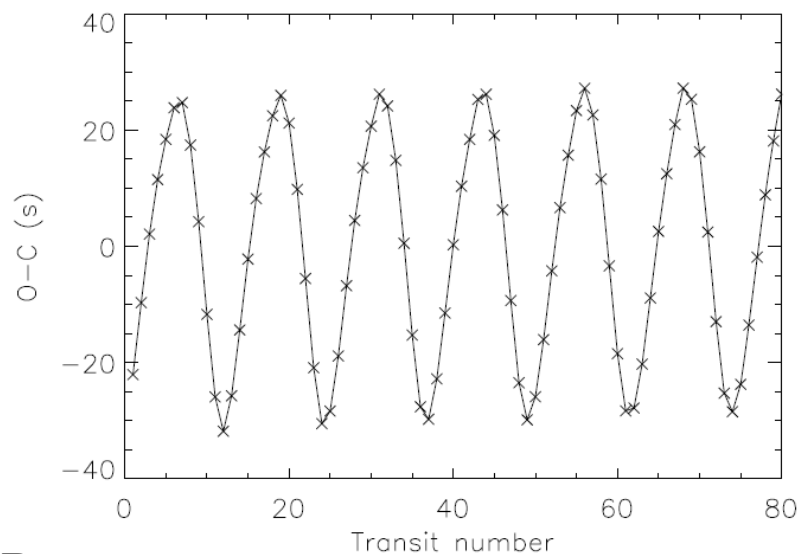


## Searching for additional planets by O-C analysis

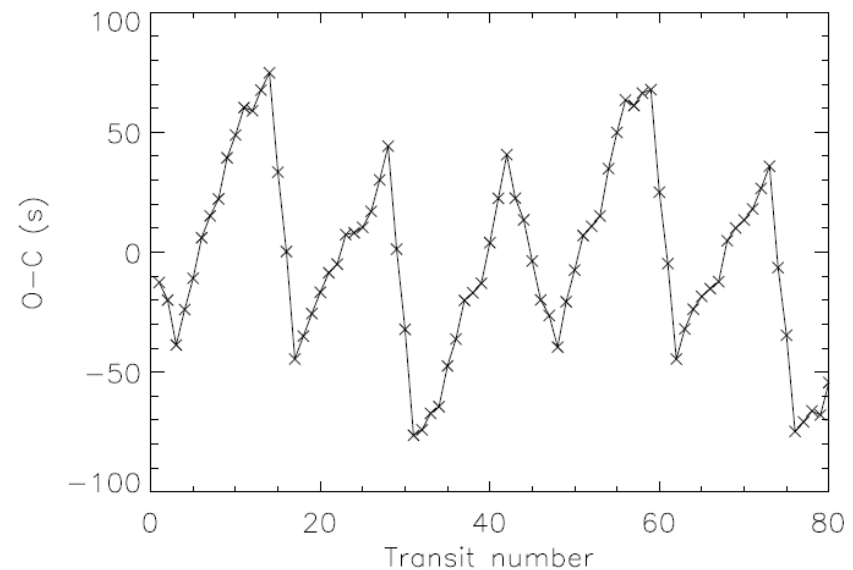
Background: additional, gravitational perturbing planets in the system cause variations of the mid-transit times (TTVs).

### Some illustrative examples:

Trojan planet to CoRoT-Exo-1b

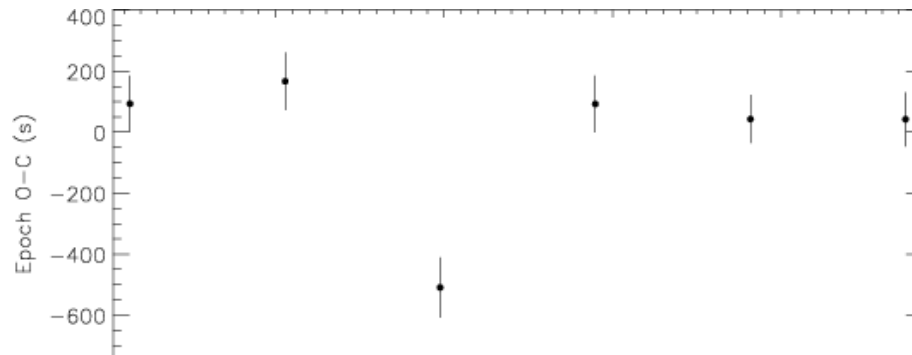


Eccentric planet

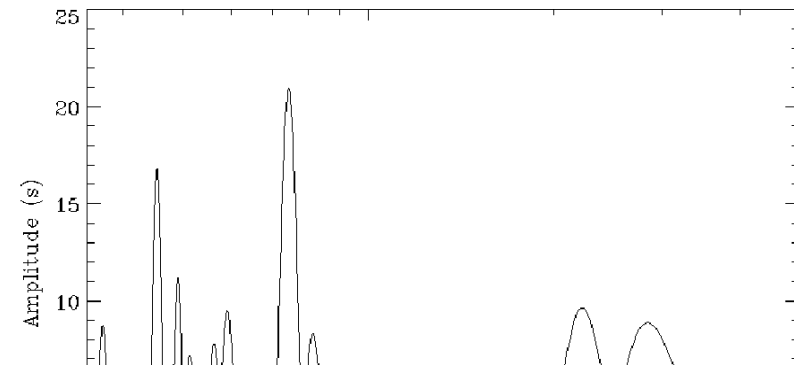


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CoRoT-Exo-4b



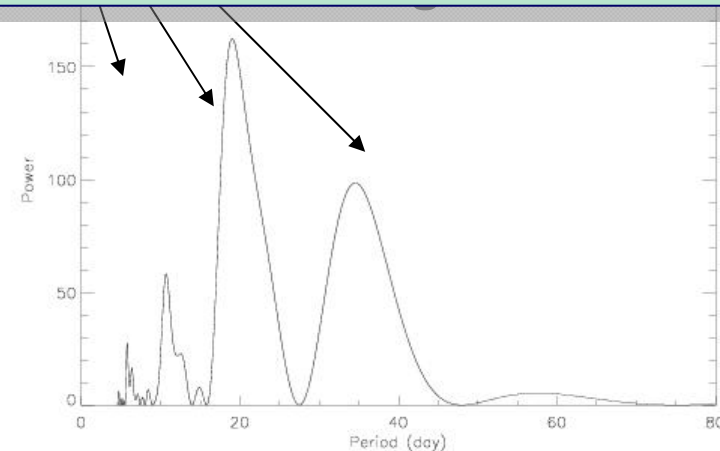
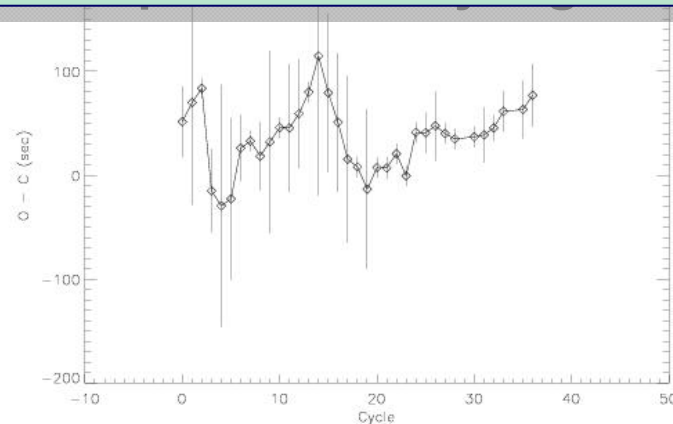
CoRoT-Exo-2b



- No transit timing variations have been found in the planets studied

But:

- **CoRoT provides very high constraints on transit timing variations!**





## Populating the Desert

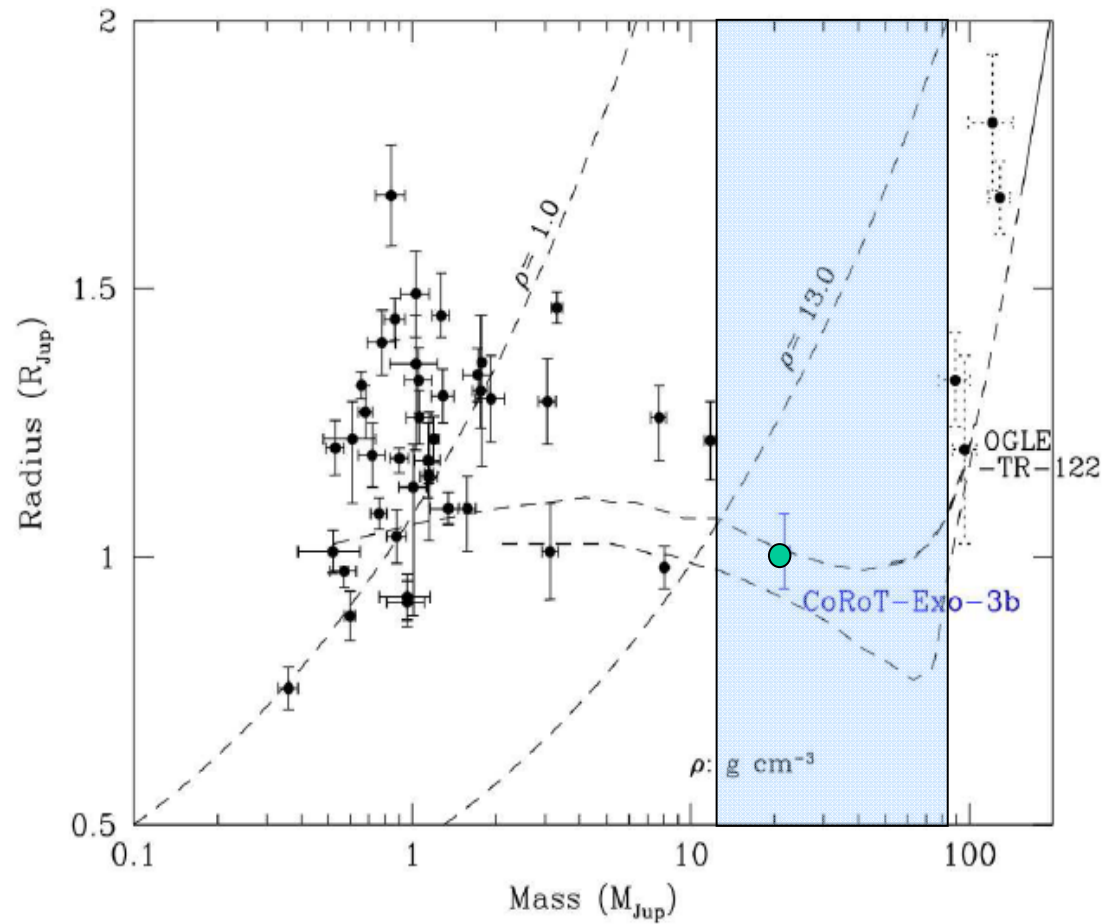
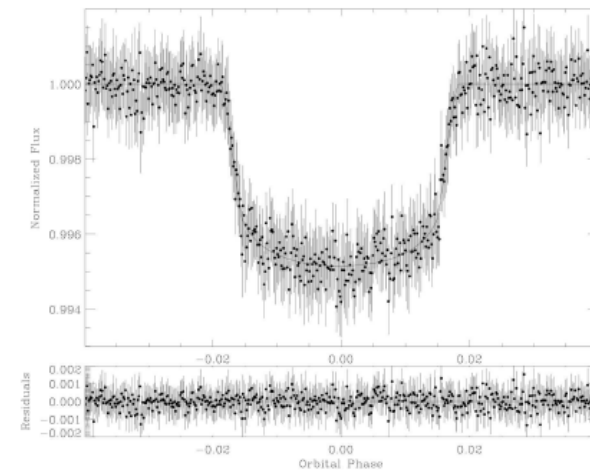


Table 6: CoRoT-Exo-3b parameters.

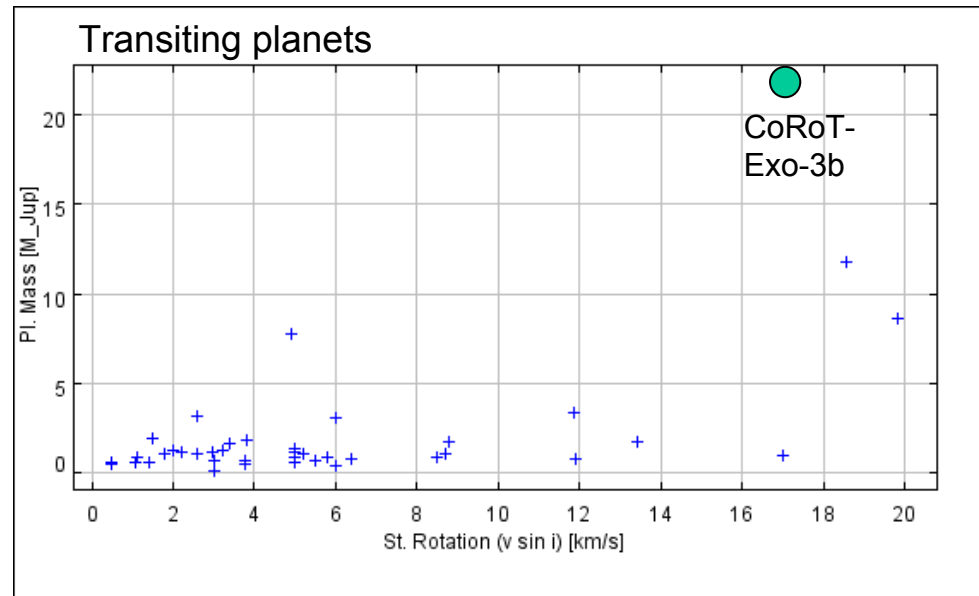
Mass ( $M_{Jup}$ )	$21.66 \pm 1.0$
Radius ( $R_{Jup}$ )	$1.01 \pm 0.07$
density ( $g\ cm^{-3}$ )	$26.4 \pm 5.6$
$\log g$	$4.72 \pm 0.07$

Deleuil et al. 2008





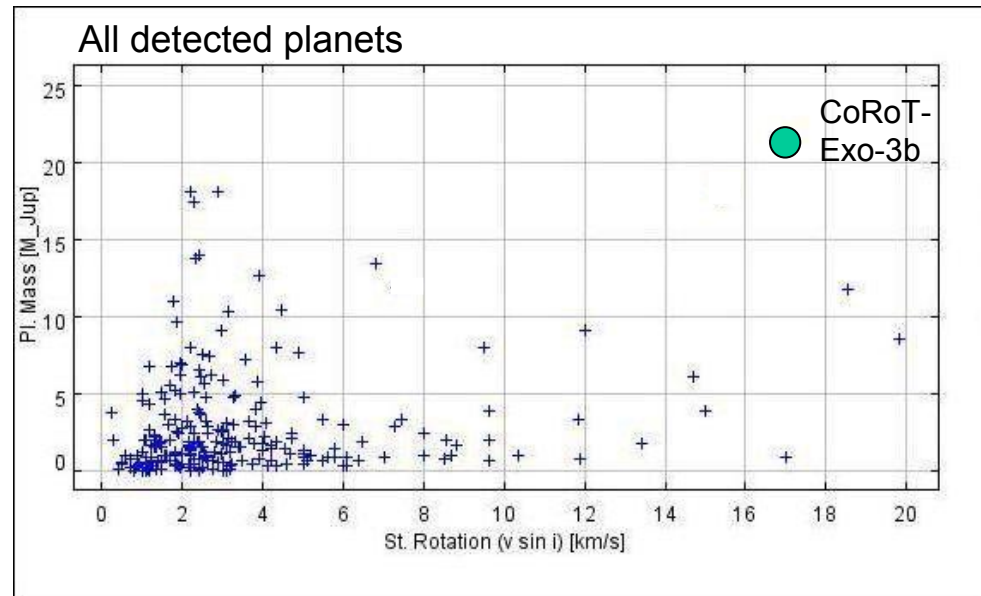
## Is CoRoT-Exo-3b exceptional?



- CoRoT-Exo-3b orbits a fast rotating star
- mid-sensitivity rv-surveys may be unable to detect planets around fast rotators
- in general, rv-surveys easily eliminated fast rotators from their surveys (focus on slow rotators)



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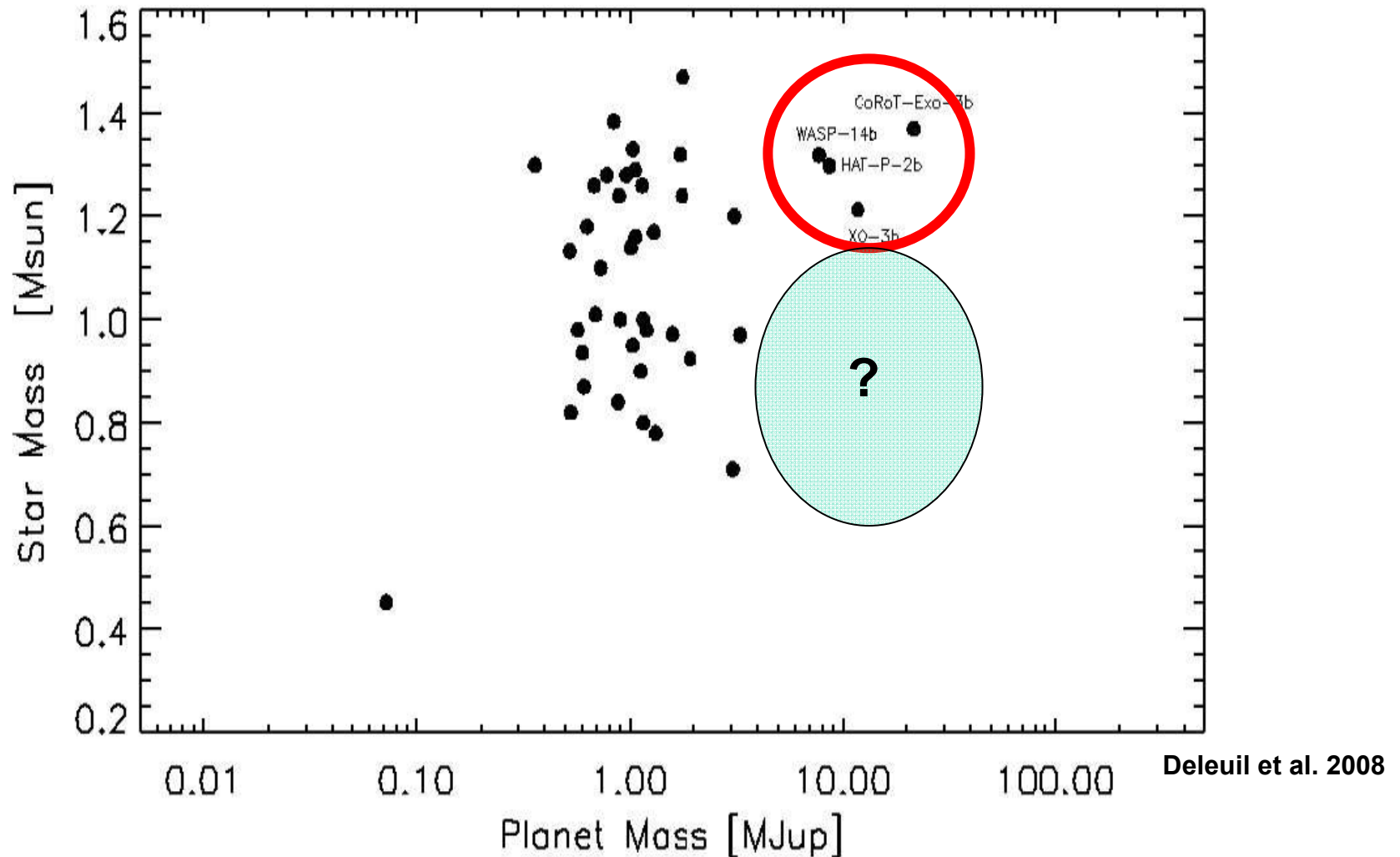
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→ Close-in, high-mass planets may escape detection around fast rotators due to a selection bias

→ High-accuracy transit surveys less biased towards slow rotators

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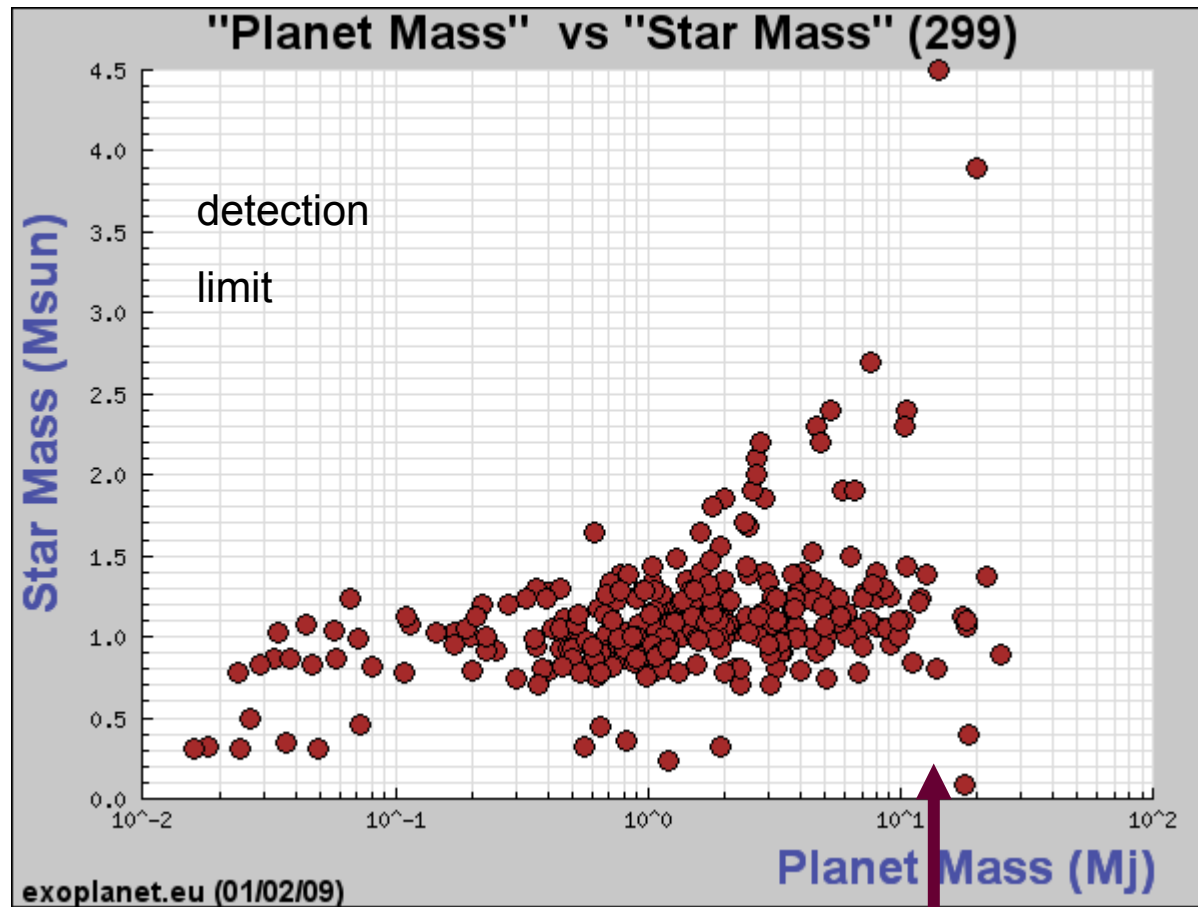
high-mass planets detected around „high-mass“ stars



No „brown dwarf desert“ for „large“ stars?

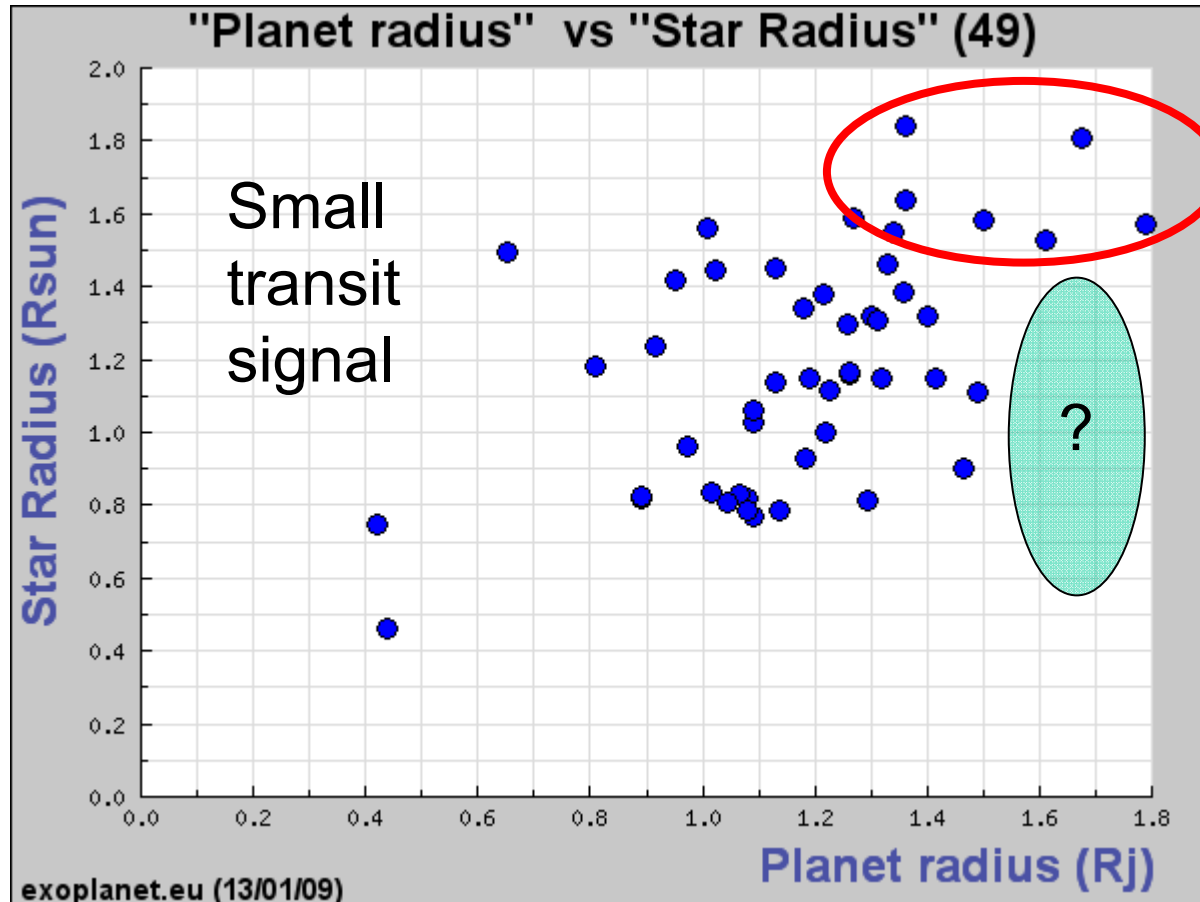


## Planets detected by radial velocity



High mass planets around  
high mass stars

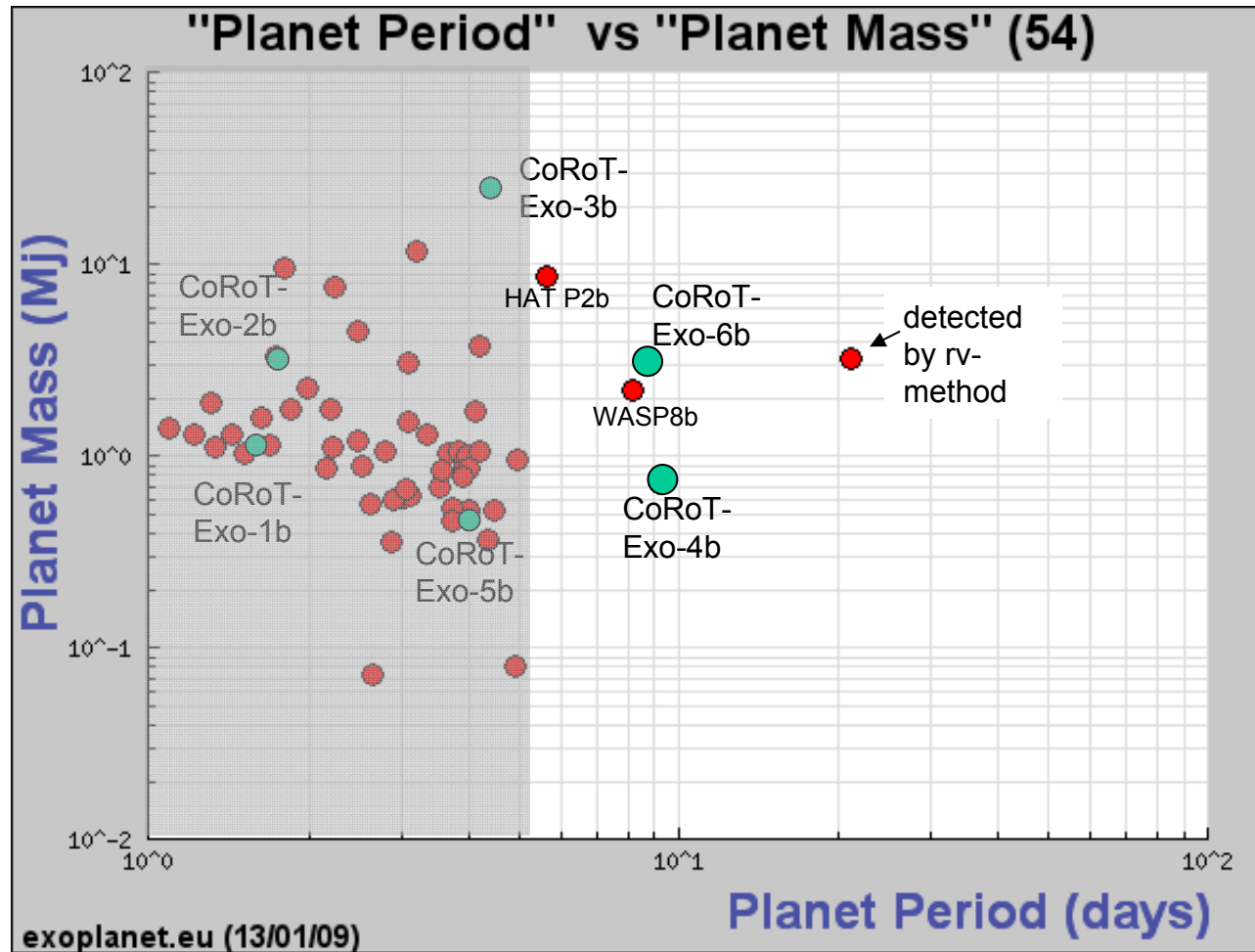
## Planets detected by transits



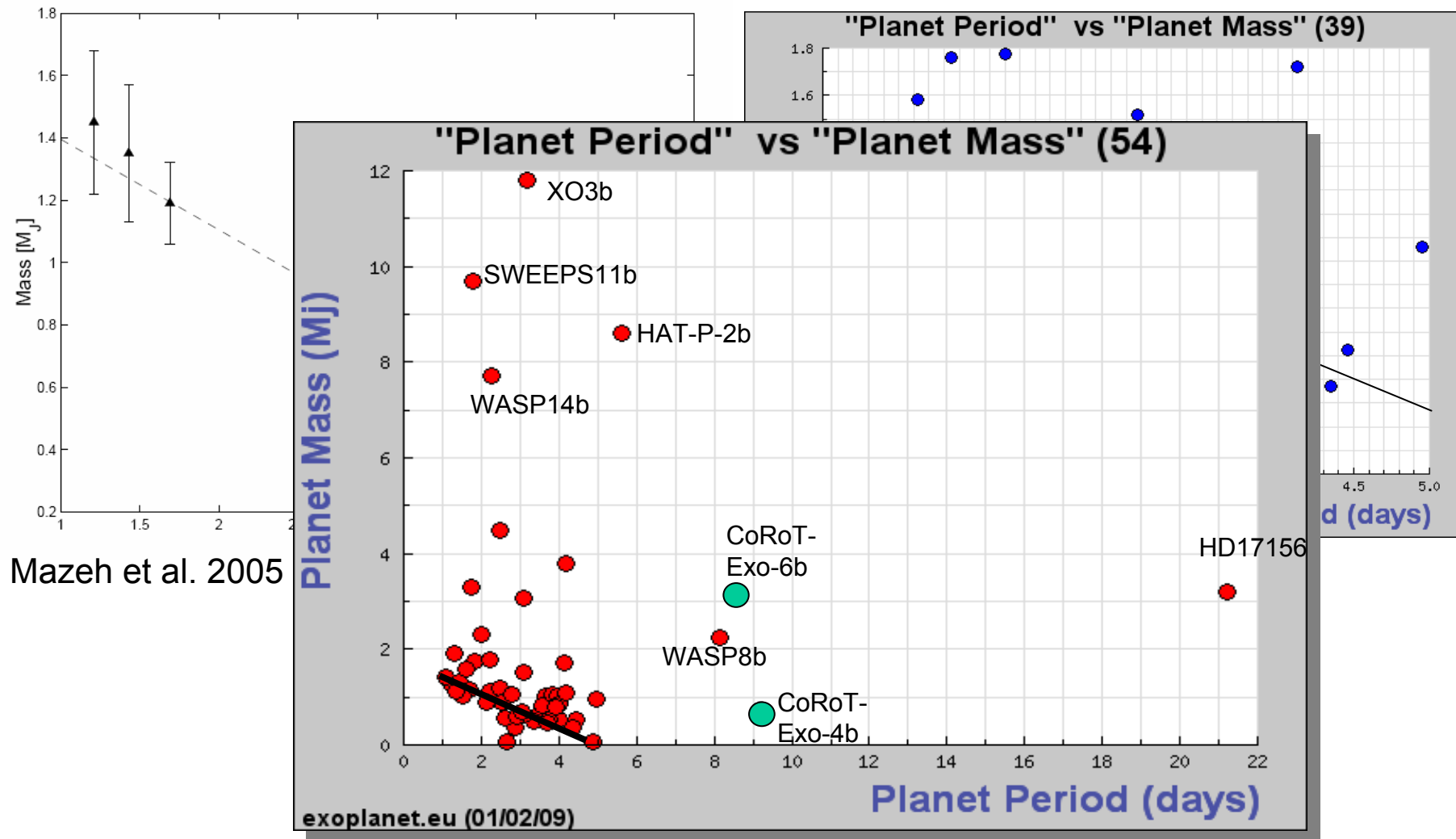
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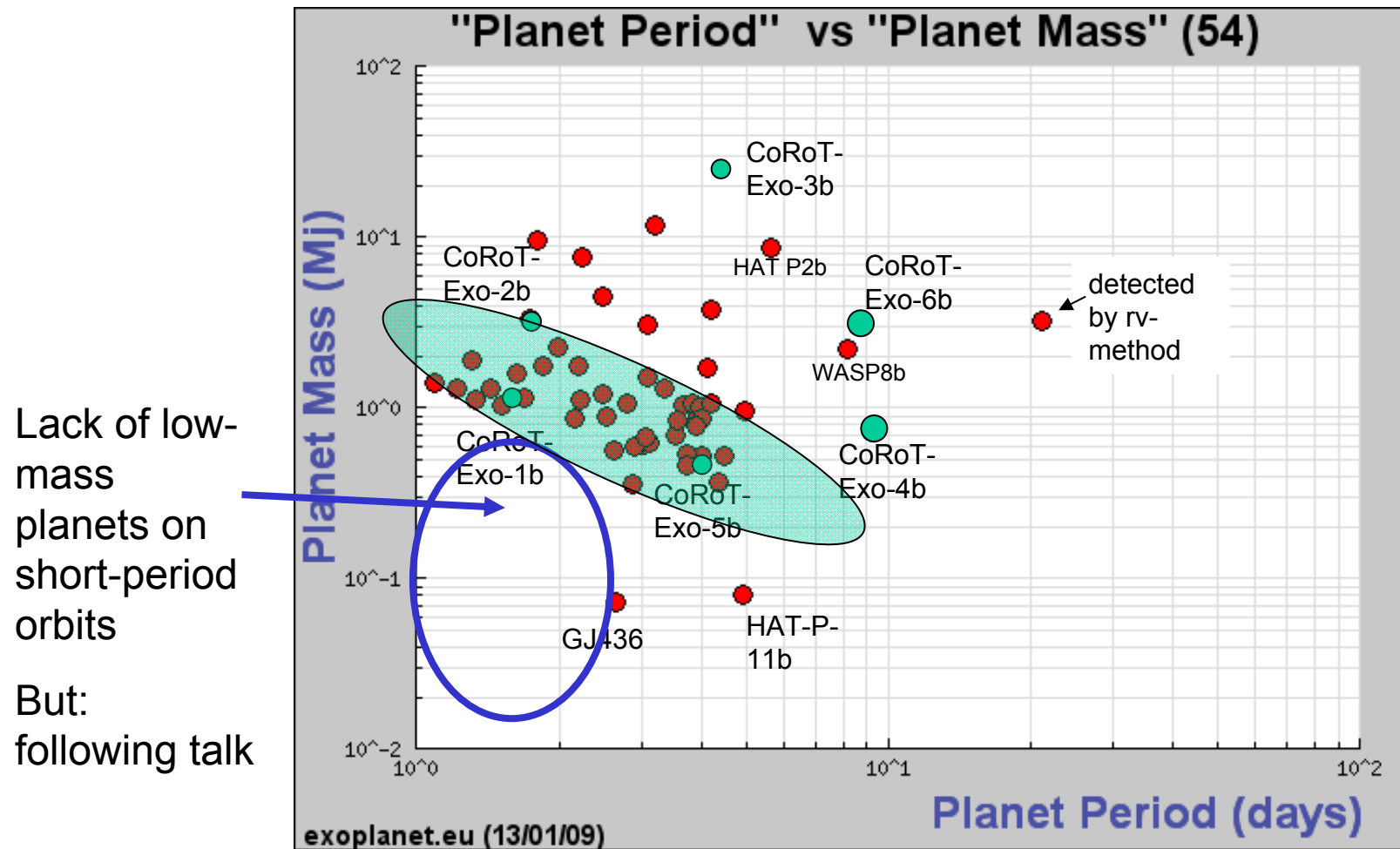
Fill the parameter space with transiting planets  
with  $P > 5$  days



# Possible correlation of planet mass and period



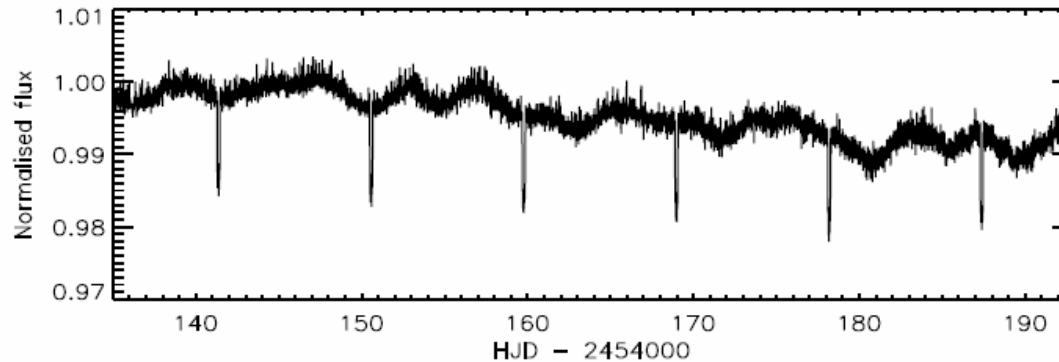
## Possible correlation of planet mass and period



Close-in transiting planets show mass-period-correlation  
Long-period transiting planets do not correlate.



## CoRoT4b is in synchronos orbit



Aigrain et al. 2008

### CoRoT-Exo-4b:

**P: 9.20205 +/- 0.00037 d**

a: 0.09 +/- 0.001 AU

r: 1.19 R<sub>J</sub>

m: 0.72 M<sub>J</sub>

### The star:

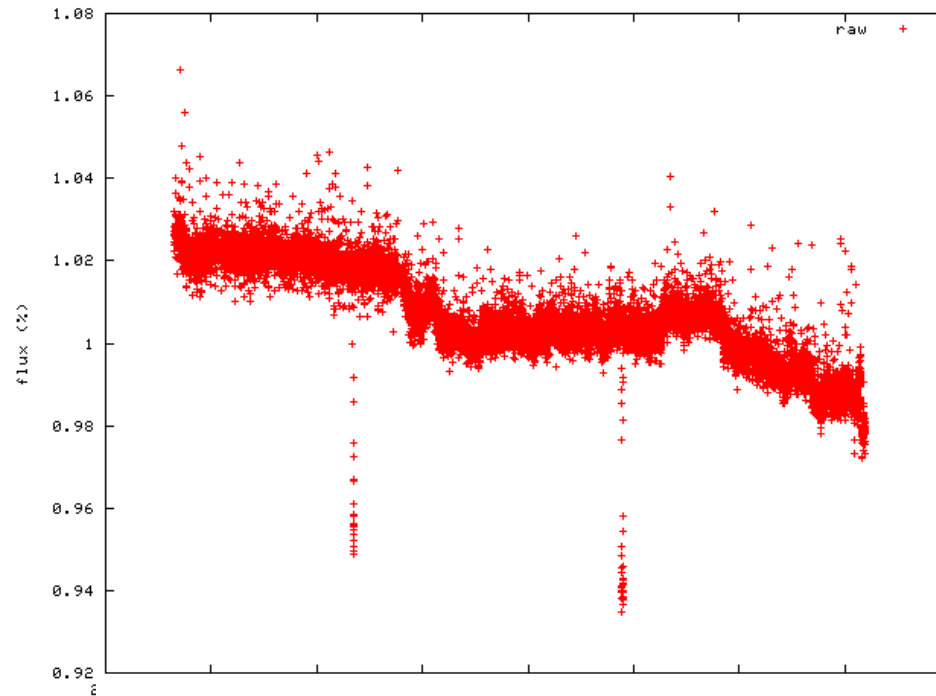
F0V

V=13.7 mag

**P\*=8.87+/-1.12 d**

- out-of-transit photometric variability indicates a spotted, rotating stellar photosphere
  - analysis of the photospheric variability, assuming activity regions remain for 2-3 rotation periods
  - the rotation period  $P^*=8.87$  days derived photometrically is consistent with spectroscopic  $v \sin i = 6.4 \pm 1.0$  km s<sup>-1</sup>
- planet and star are in a 1:1 resonance

# CoRoT exciting targets I

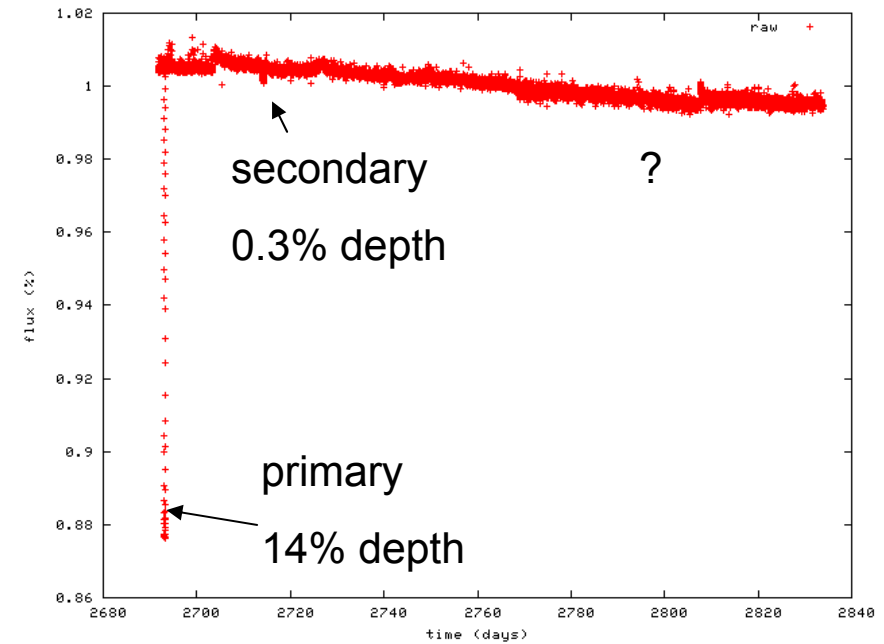
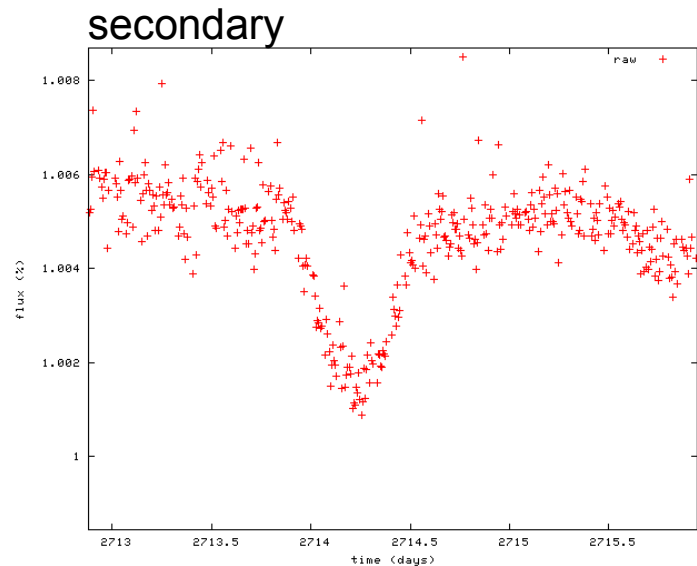
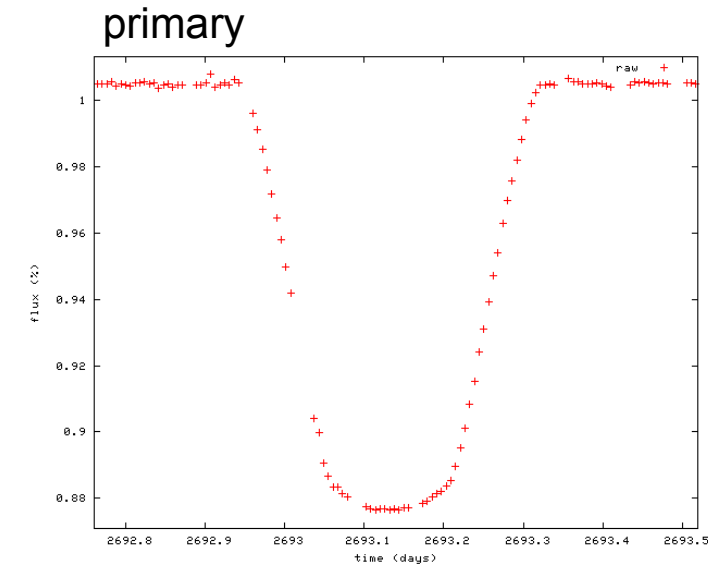


- Monotransit found in IR01
- transits found again in LRa01
- **P~ 50 days**
- depth = 5.6%
- planet candidate if star is small → follow-up ongoing



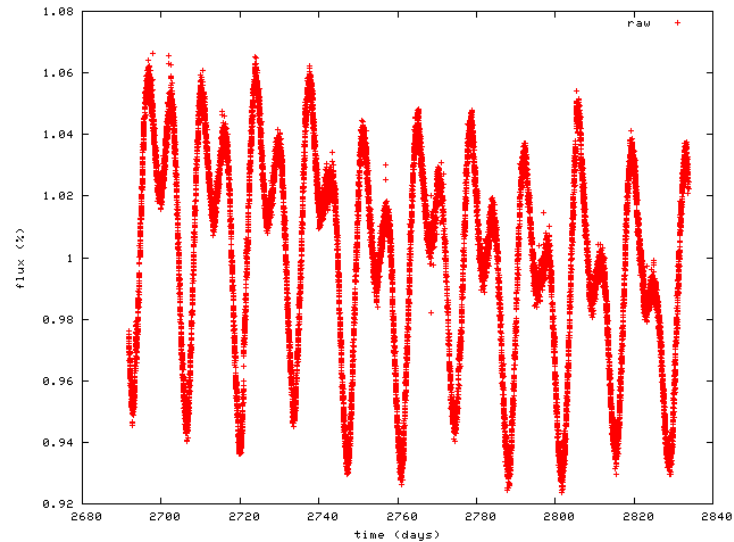


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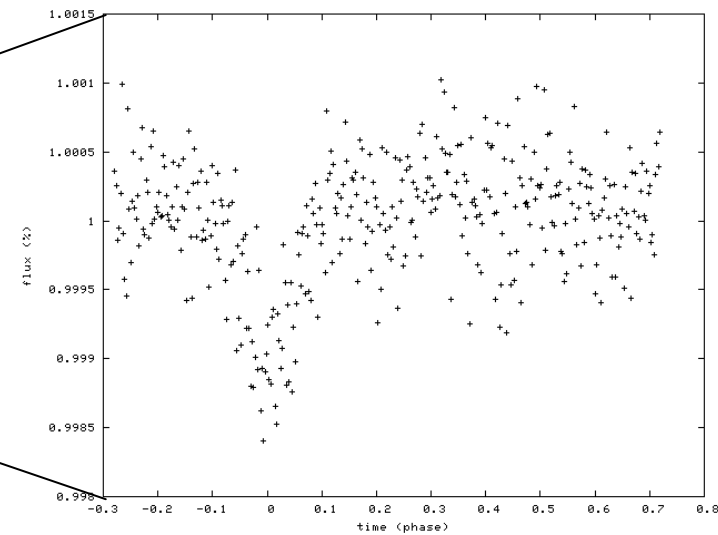
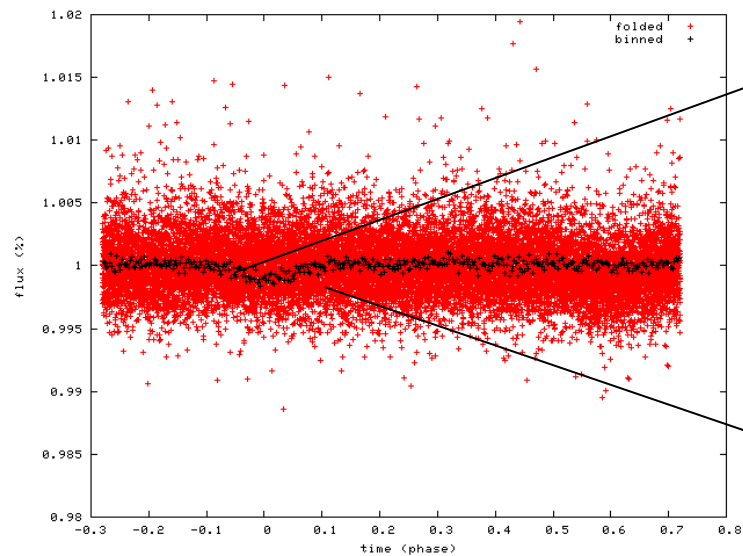


CoRoT finds exciting objects  
e.g.: possible very excentric binary?  
circumbinary objects?  
...?

## CoRoT exciting targets III



- Stellar activity with 13.6 days period
- After filtering out the activity, a planet candidate was found (0.11% depths around 16 mag star)
- after follow-up, it was identified as binary star...



## Summary: CoRoT contributions to transit searches

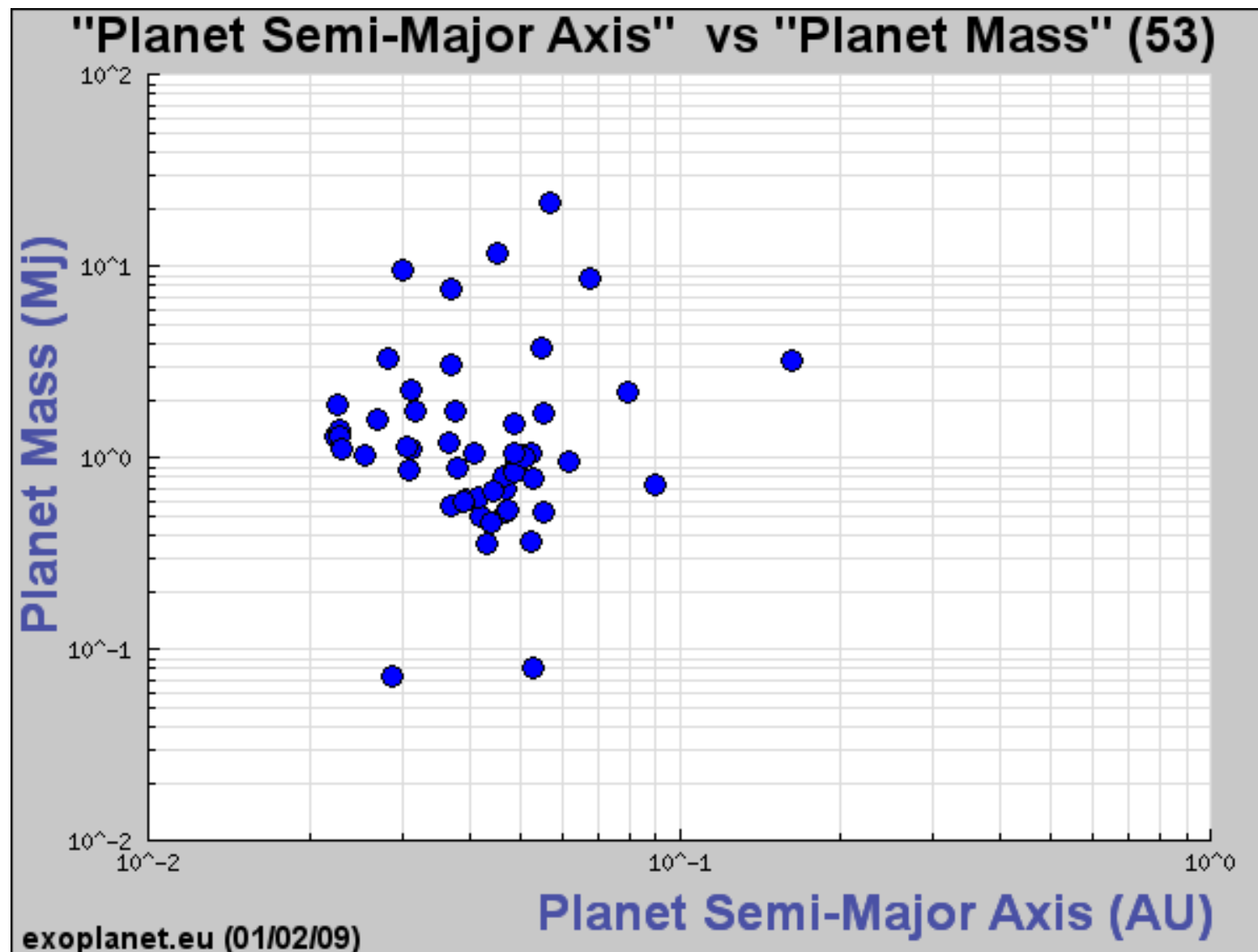


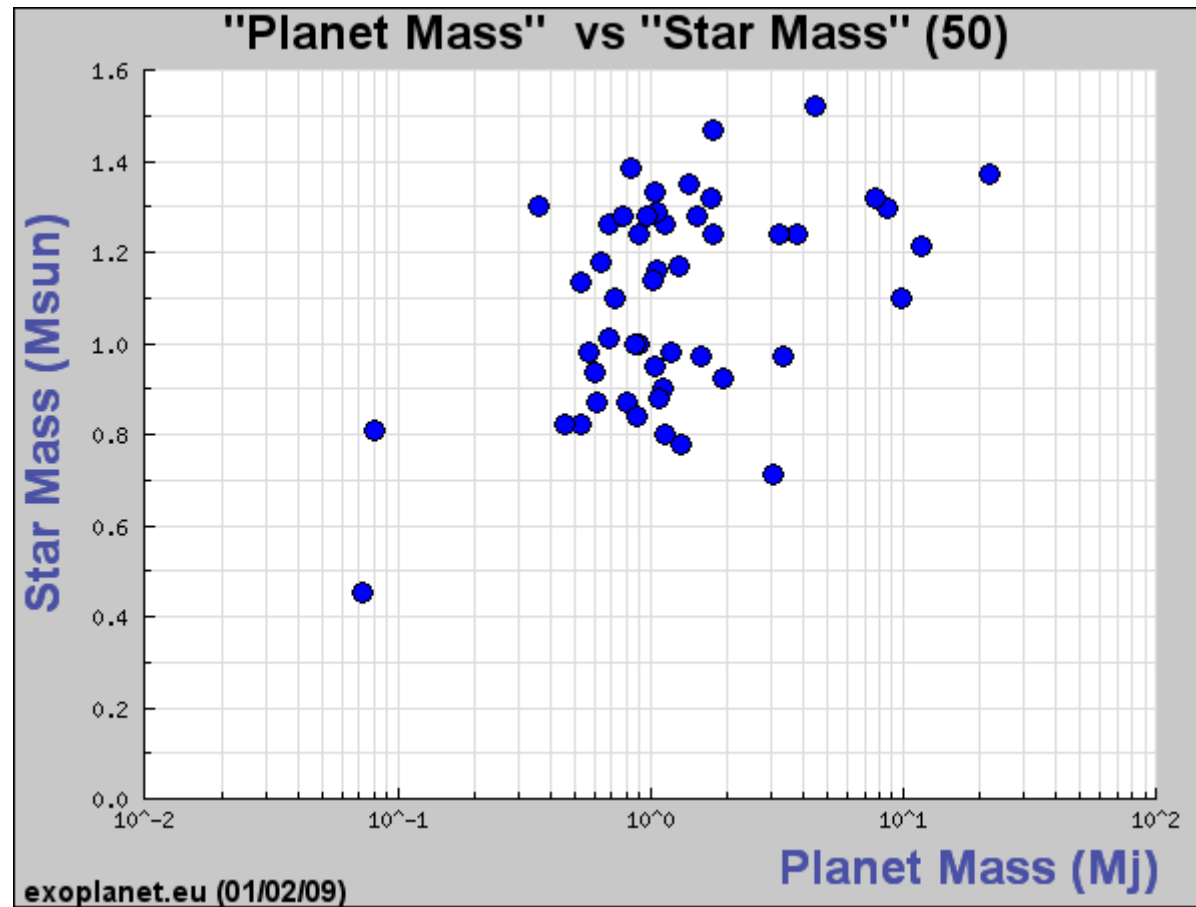
- 6 giant objects with very accurate parameter determinations
- Planet around low-metallicity star
- Filling the „brown dwarf desert“ → closing the gap between planet and brown dwarfs
- Filling the parameter space of transiting planets with large orbital periods
- Small transiting planets



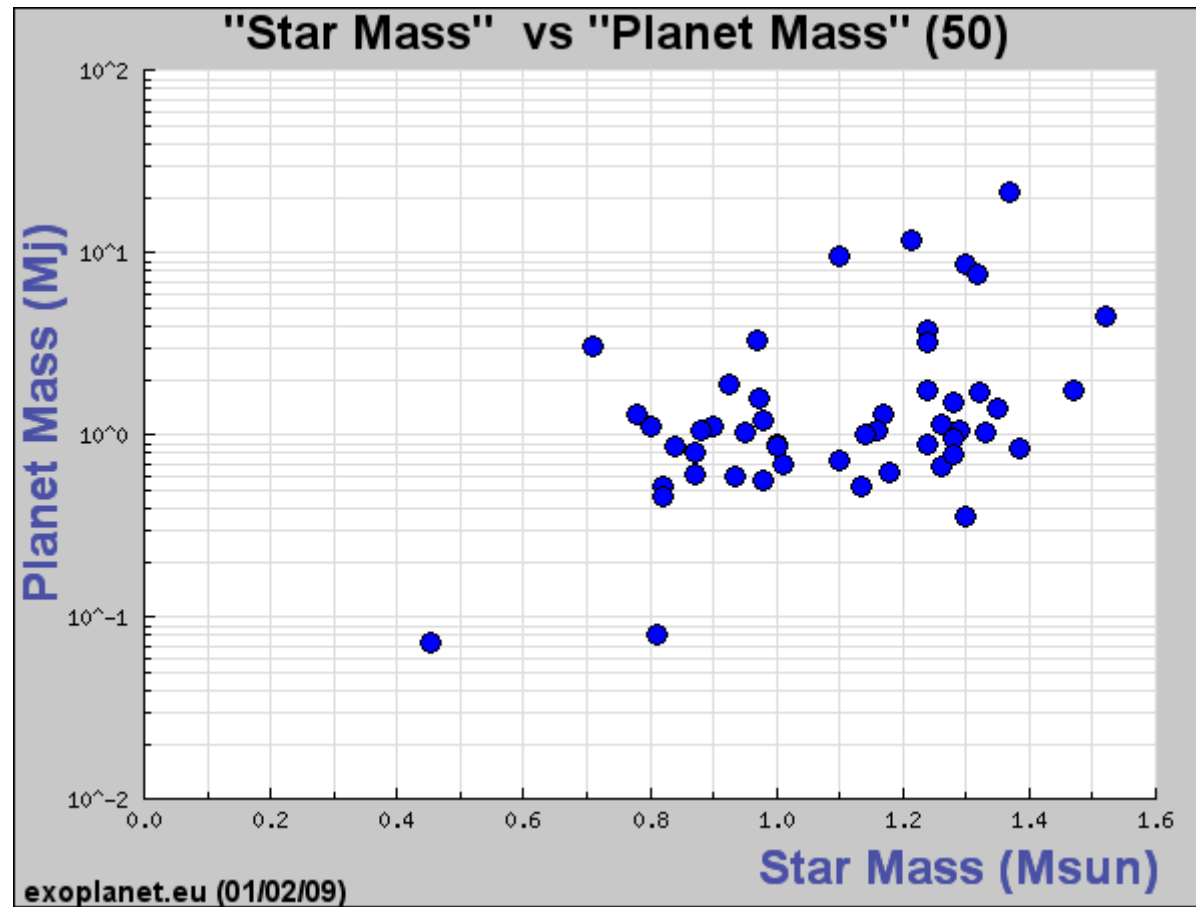


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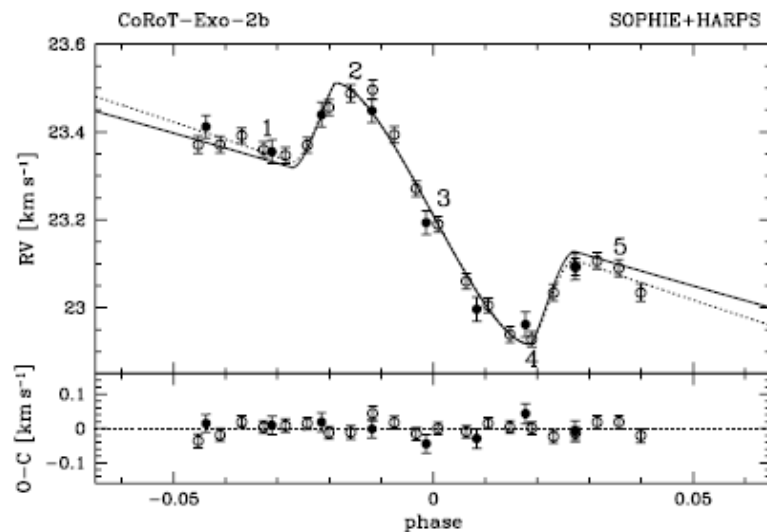








# Measurement of the Rossiter effect in CoRoT-Exo-2b



**Fig. 1.** Phase-folded radial velocity measurements of CoRoT-Exo-2 during the transit of the planet with SOPHIE (dark circle) and HARPS (open circle). The solid line corresponds to the Rossiter-McLaughlin model adjusted to these data assuming the semi-amplitude  $K = 563 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  from Alonso et al. (2008). The dotted line corresponds to the Rossiter-McLaughlin model with  $K$  as free parameters.

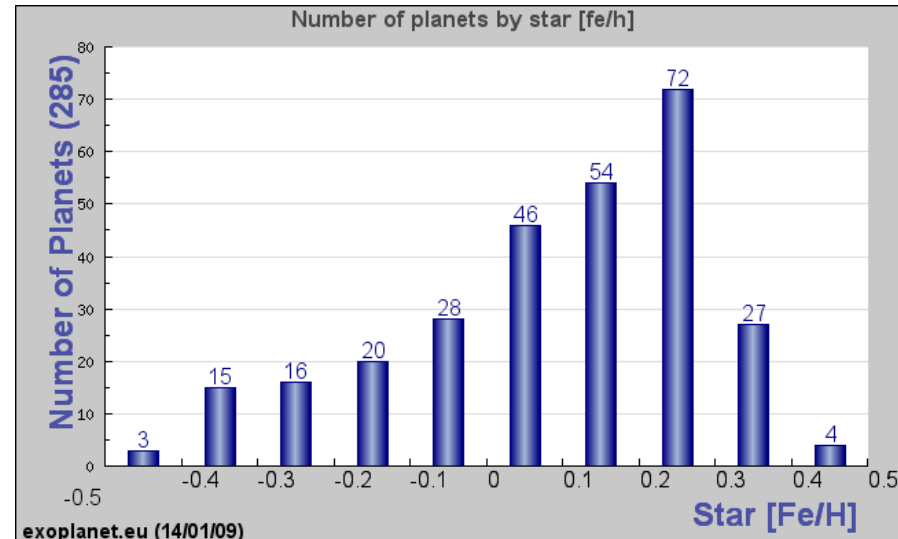
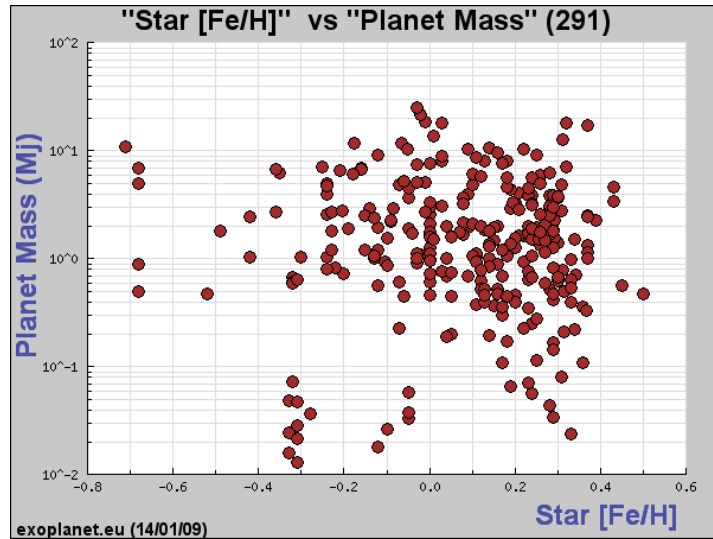
- the planet has a prograde orbit with respect to stellar rotation
- the sky-projected angle between the stellar spin and the planetary orbital axis is close to zero  $\lambda = 7.2 \pm 4.5 \text{ deg}$

Show also?

# Planets and metallicity of their central stars



Rv + astrometry



Transiting planets

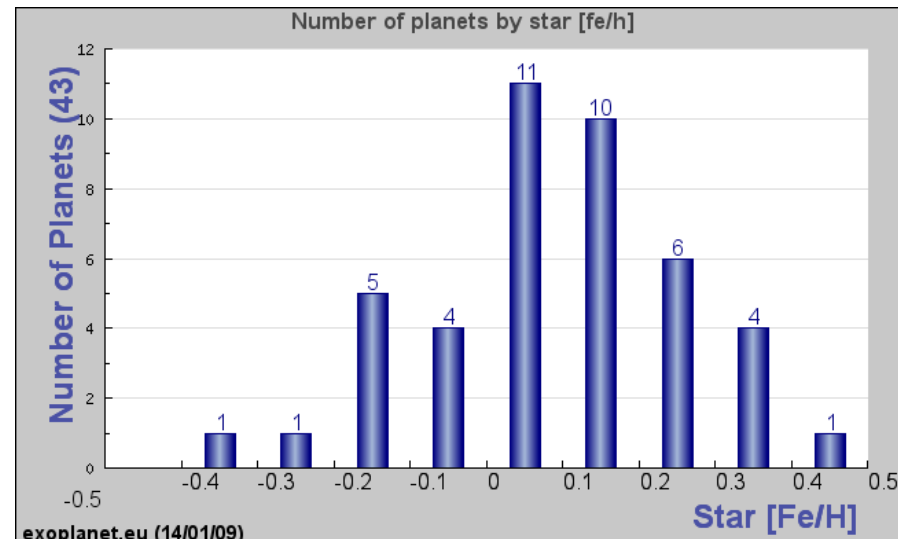
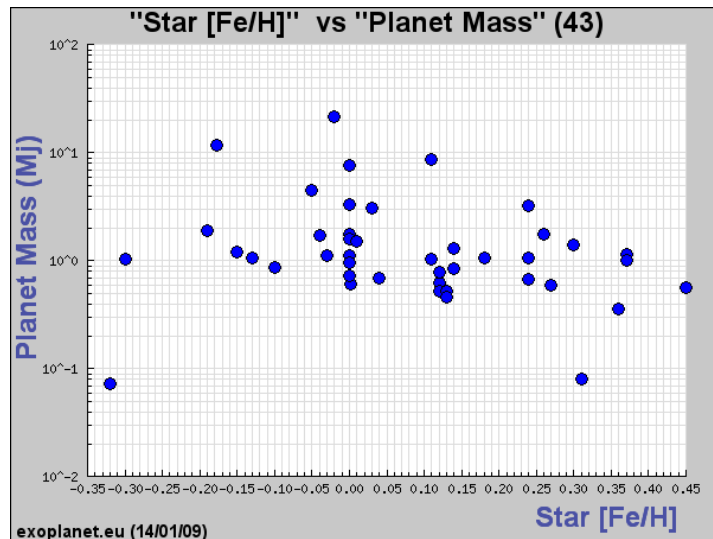
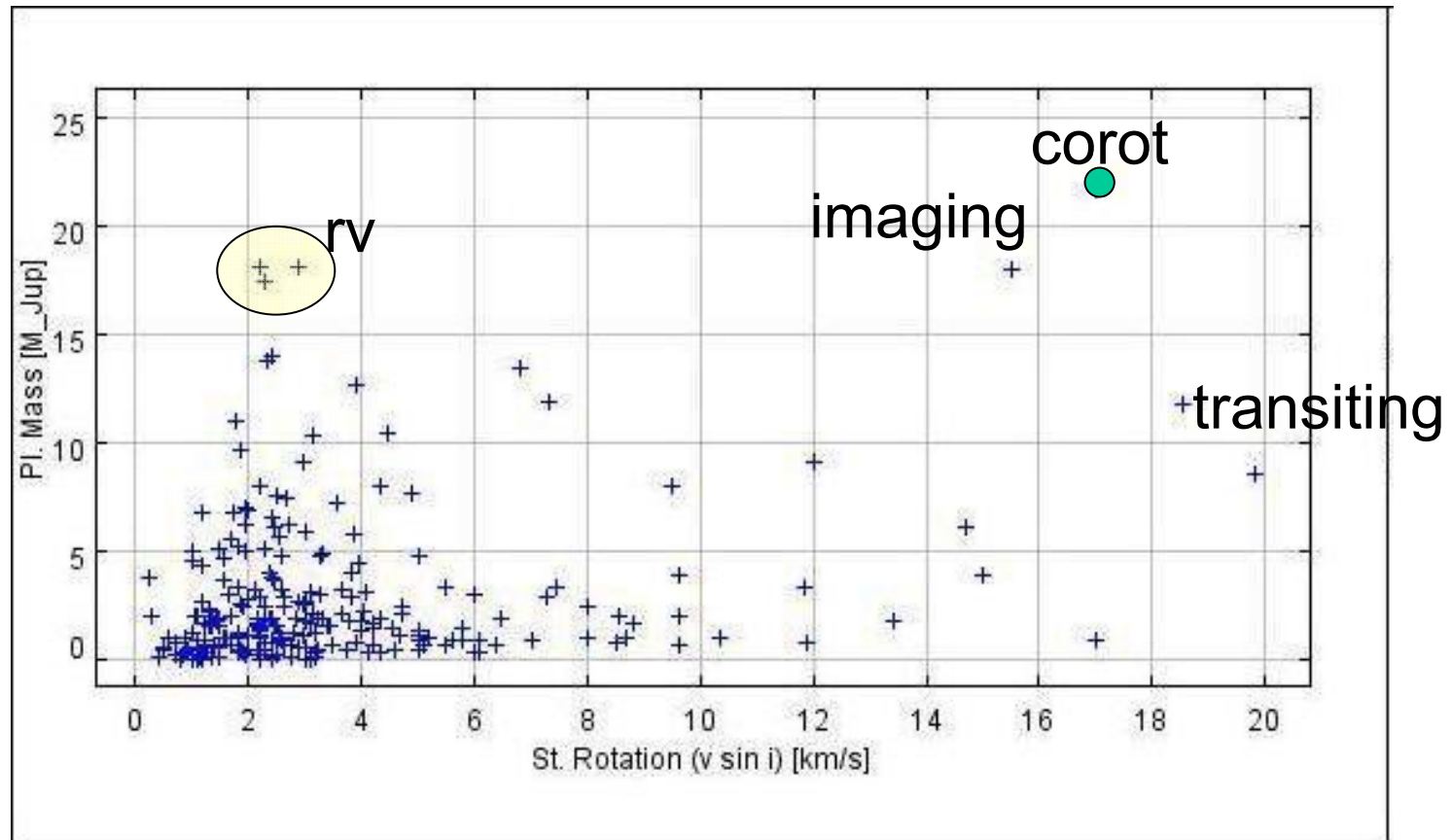




Table 1. Description of *CoRoT* runs in 2007-2008.

	Run	Date start-end	duration [d]	RA	DEC
CoRoT-Exo-1b	<i>IRa01</i>	02-03/2007	45	06:44	-01:12
CoRoT-Exo-4b		<i>SRc01</i> 04/2007	26	18:41	07:10
CoRoT-Exo-2b	<i>LRc01</i>	05-09/2007	152	19:23	00:27
CoRoT-Exo-3b	<i>LRa01</i>	10/2007-02/2008	150	06:47	-00:12
CoRoT-Exo-5b	<i>SRa01</i>	03/2008	25	06:40	+9:10
CoRoT-Exo-6b	<i>LRc02</i>	04-09/2008	150	19:00	-03:20

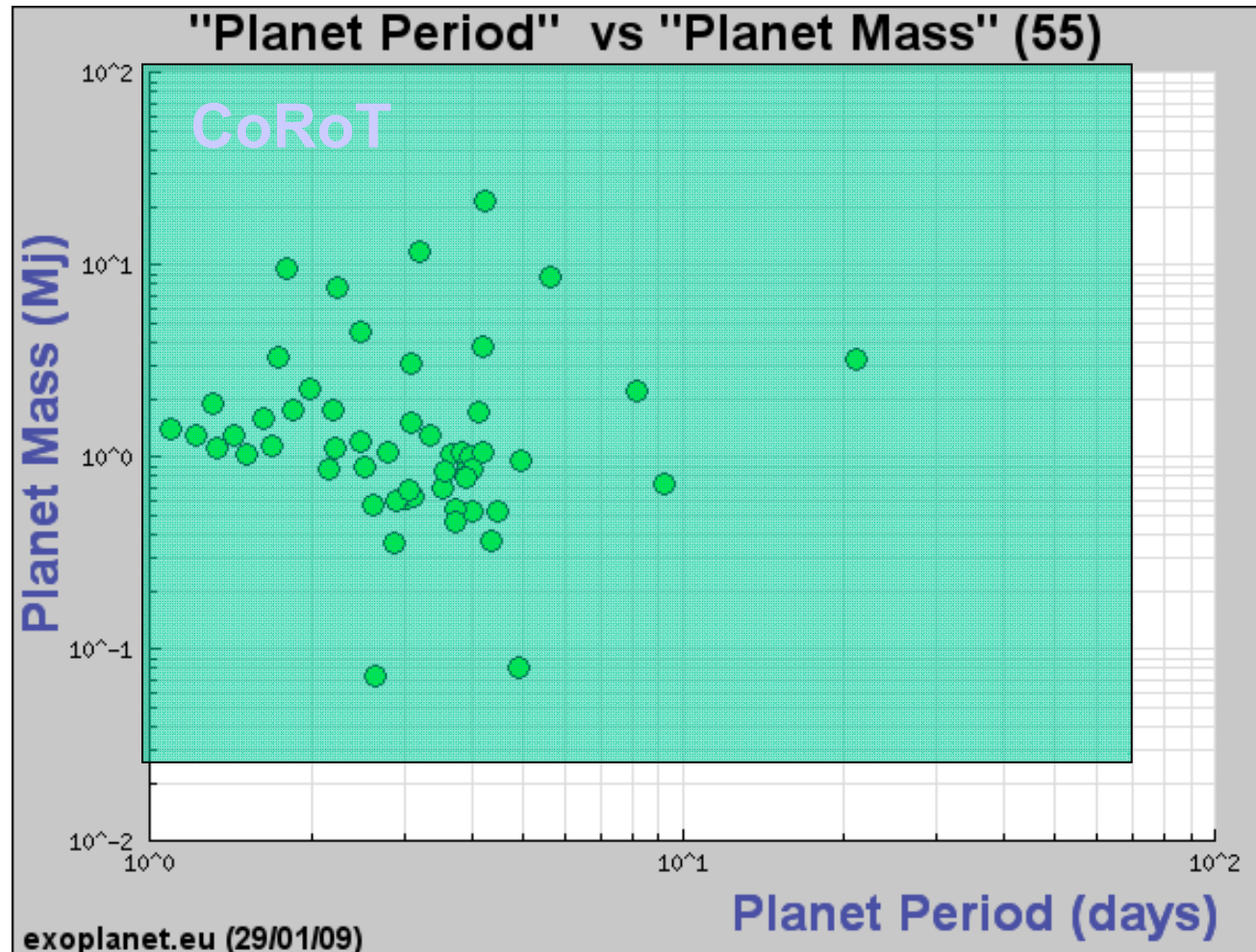
Optionally to be removed





# Transiting extrasolar planets

„Discovery space“ for CoRoT



**Transiting planets  
can be characterized!**

- Basic planet parameters (mass, radius, density) only measured for transiting planets

- transiting planets can be characterized further in follow-up investigations (e.g. albedo, spectra)

**→ A large  
parameter space  
of transiting  
planets is still  
unexplored!**