#### AN ACTIVE STAR WITH TWO TRANSITING PLANETS AND A THIRD POSSIBLE CANDIDATE DETECTED WITH **TTV**

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- $P = 7.9725 \pm 0.0014$
- $b = 0.861 \pm 0.065$
- $D = 0.1371 \pm 0.0199 \text{ days}$
- $r/R_{star} = 0.06 \pm 3.07e-4$

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- $P = 2.4532 \pm 0.0007$
- $b = 0.931 \pm 0.038$
- $D = 0.0857 \pm 0.0232 \text{ days}$
- $r/R_{star} = 0.051 \pm 1.085e-4$

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$$\varrho_{mean} = \frac{3\pi}{G} \frac{a^3}{R_\star^3 P^2}$$

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Kepler's 3rd law

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### THIRD LIGHT SCENARIO

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