

Transiting brown dwarfs from the TESS mission

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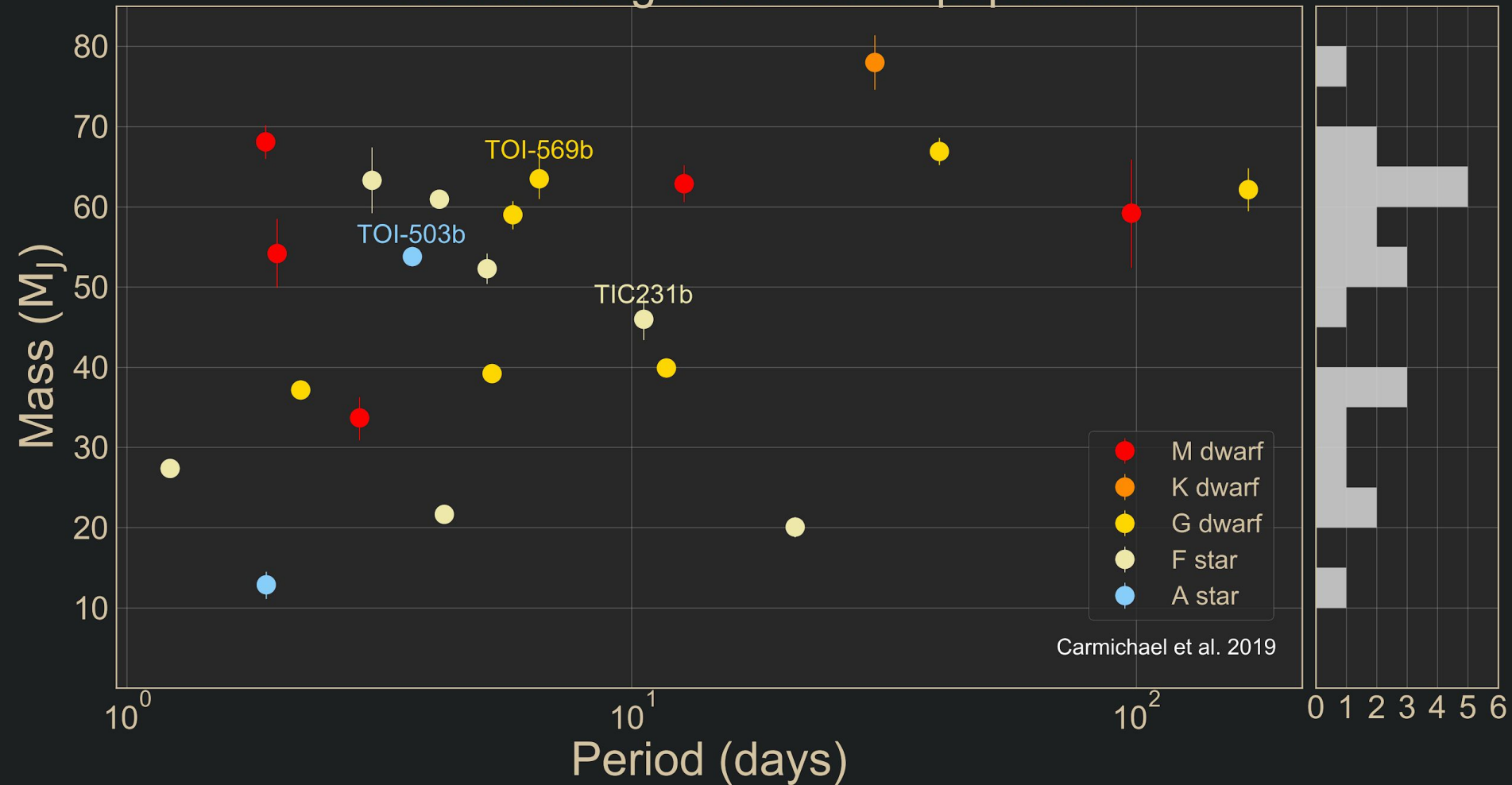
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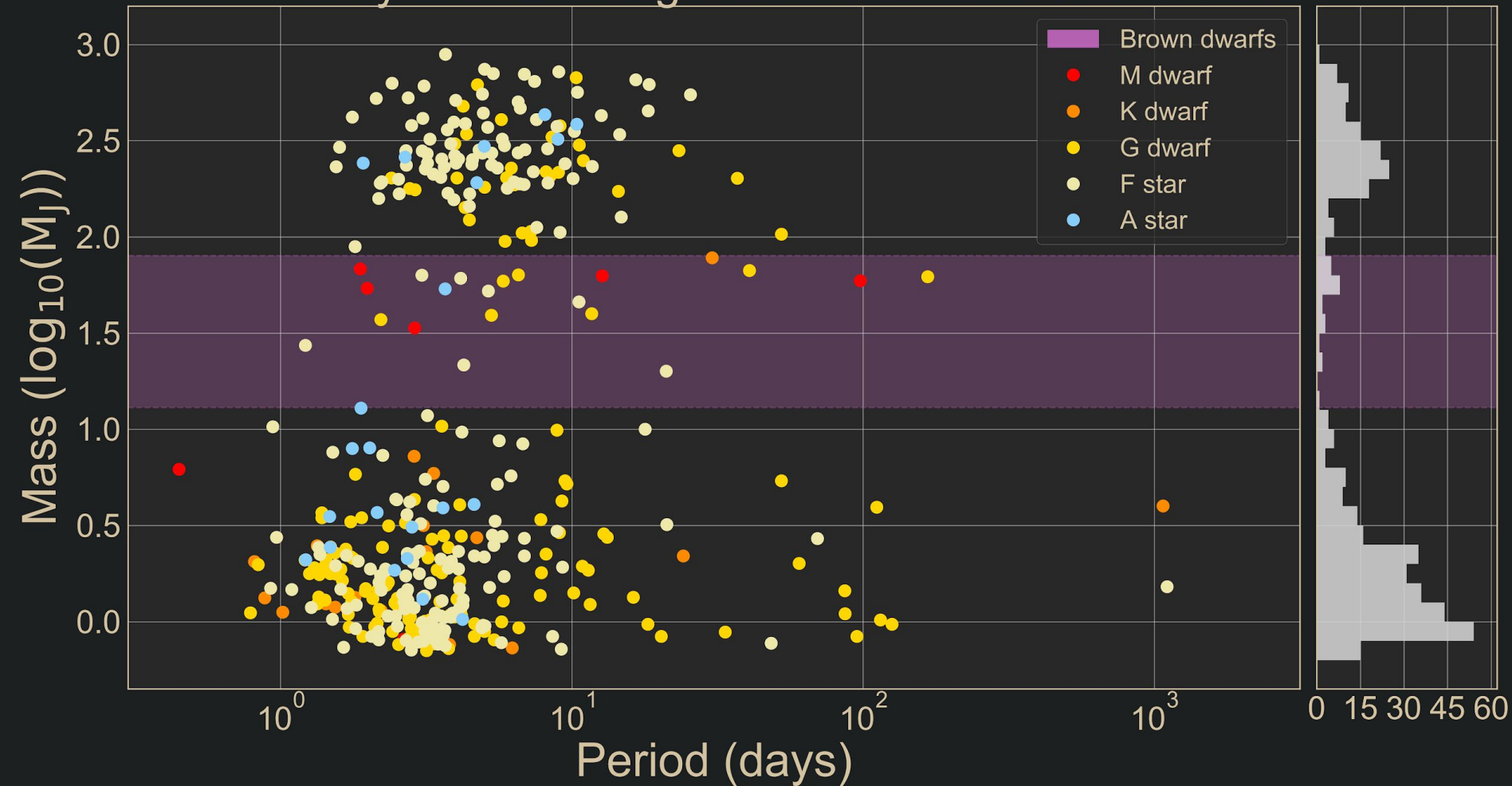
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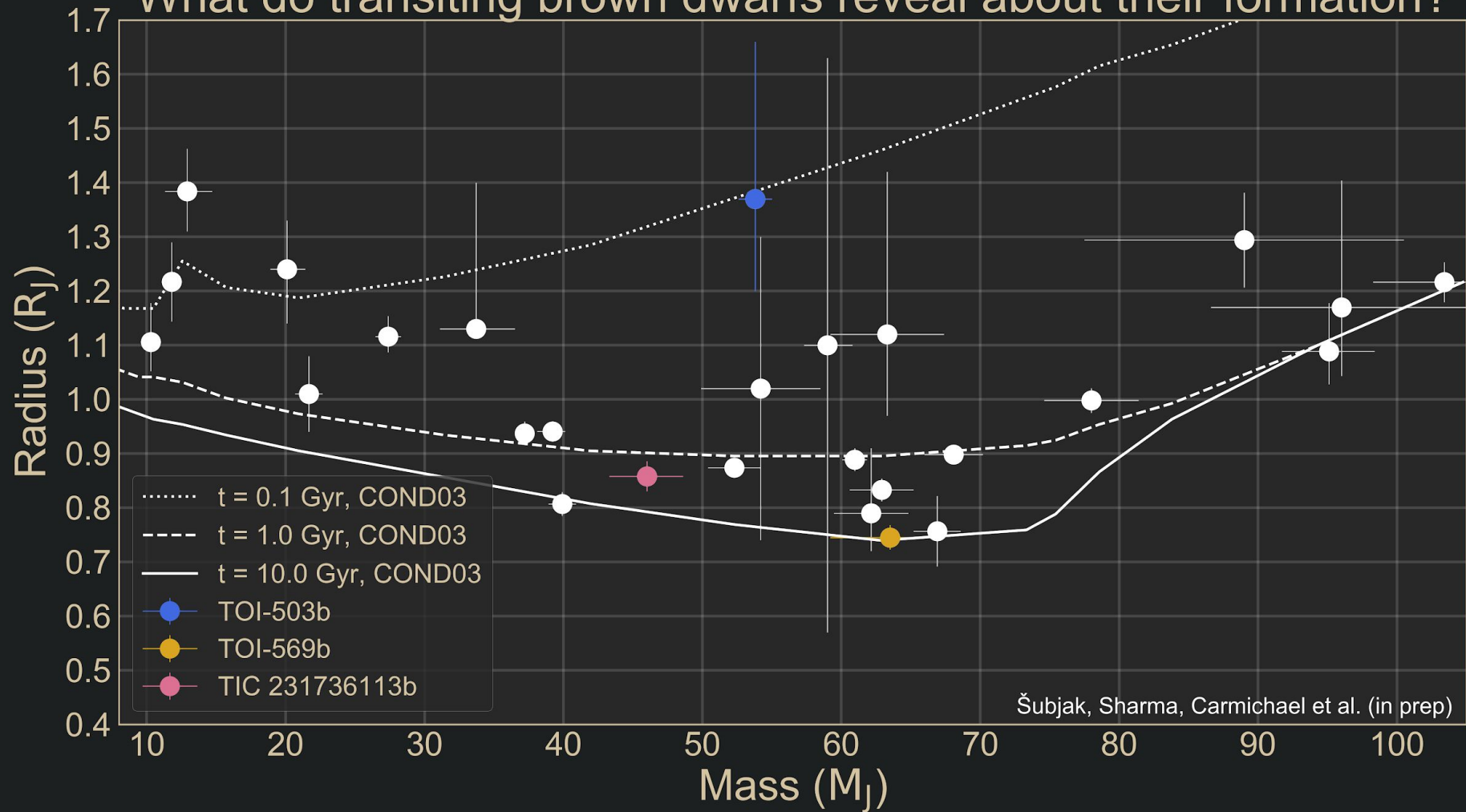
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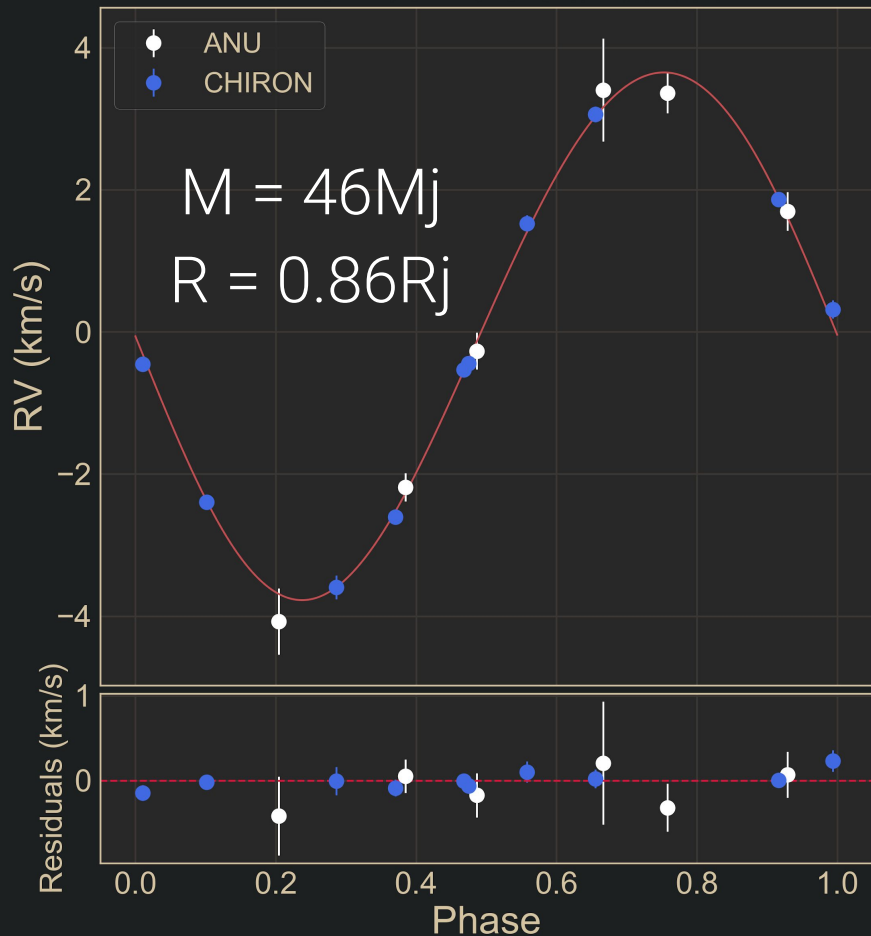
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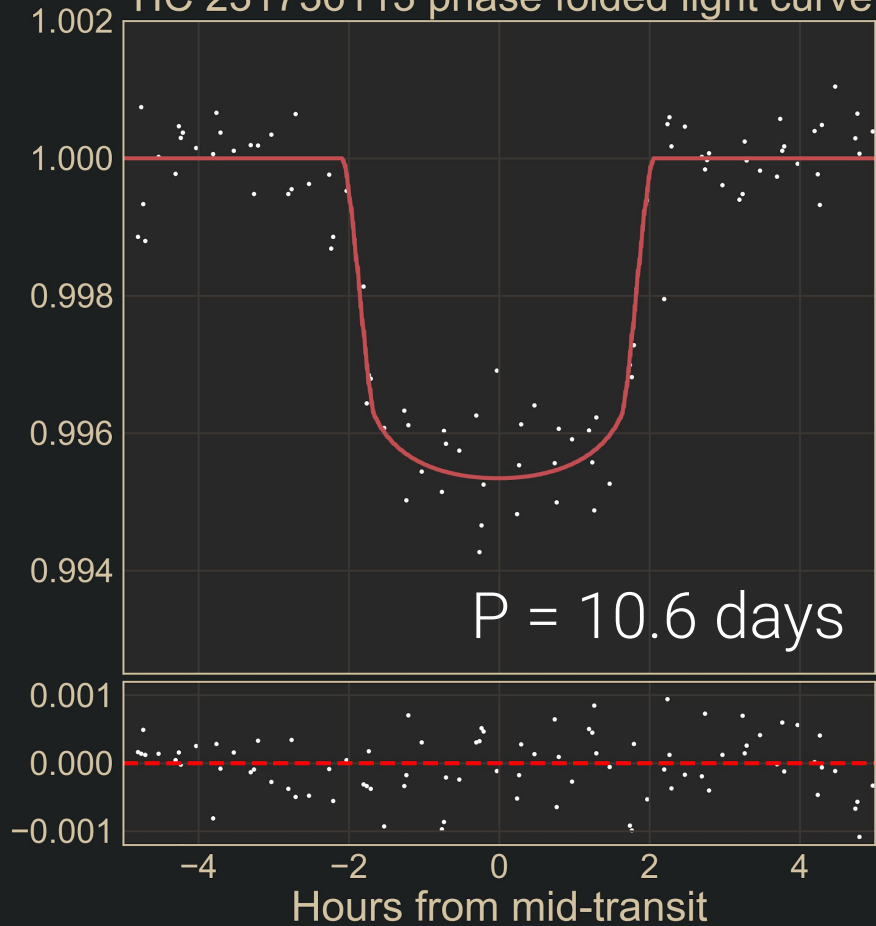
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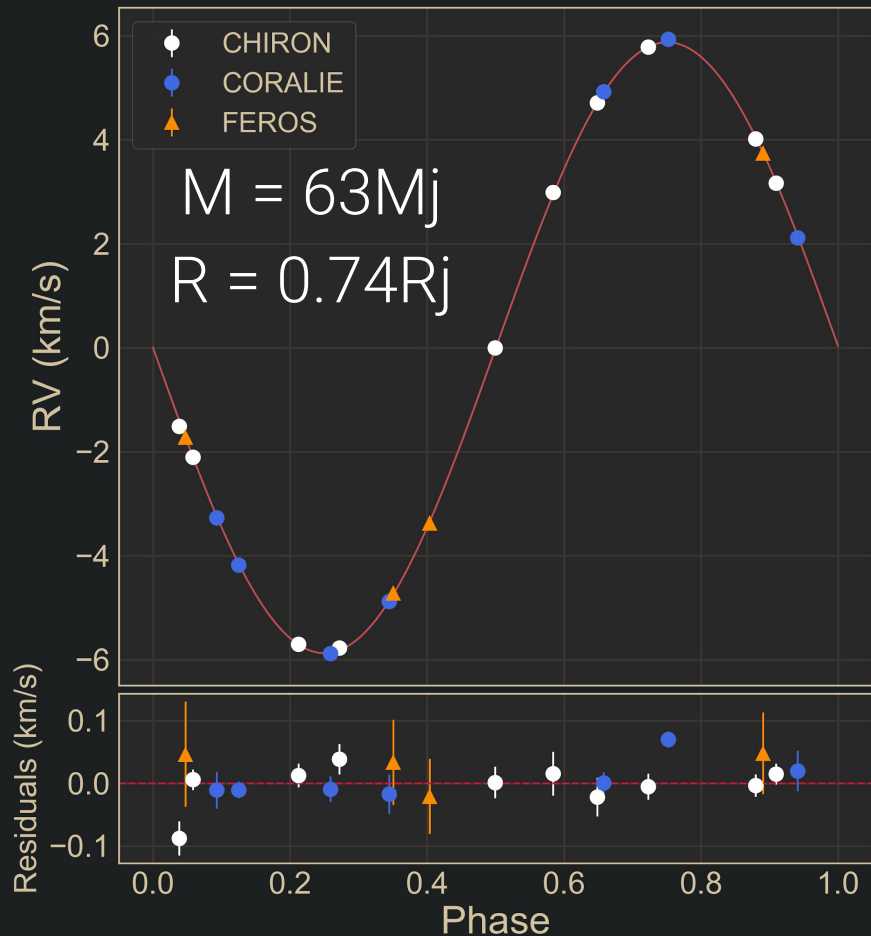
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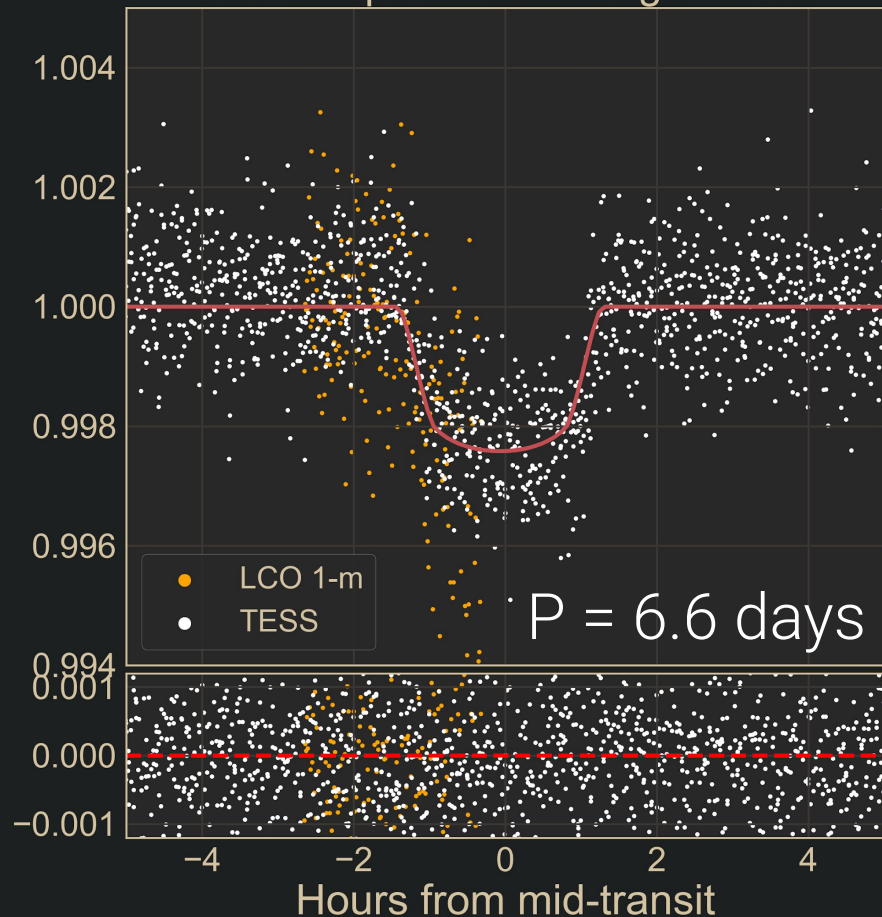
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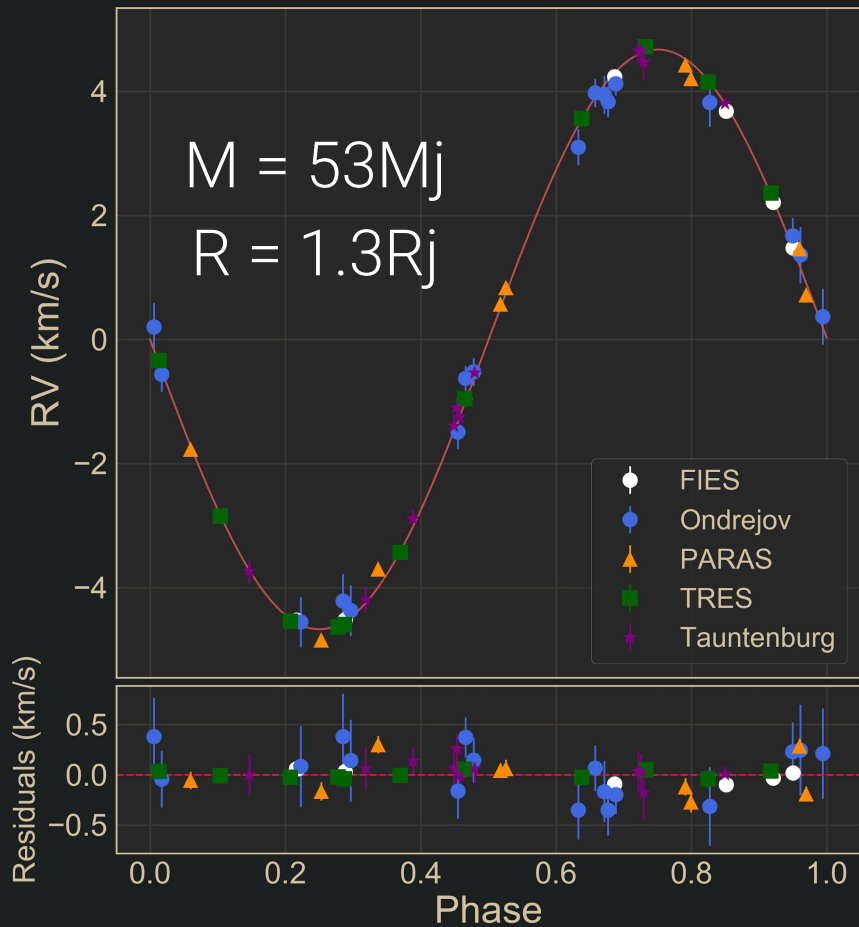
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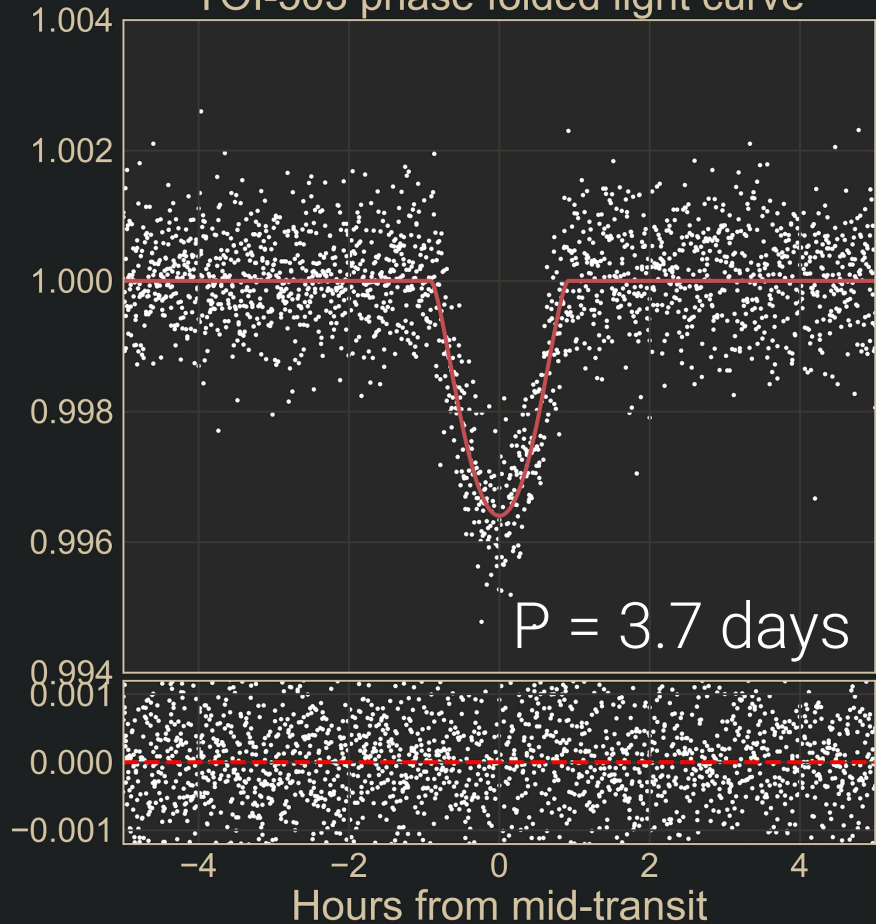
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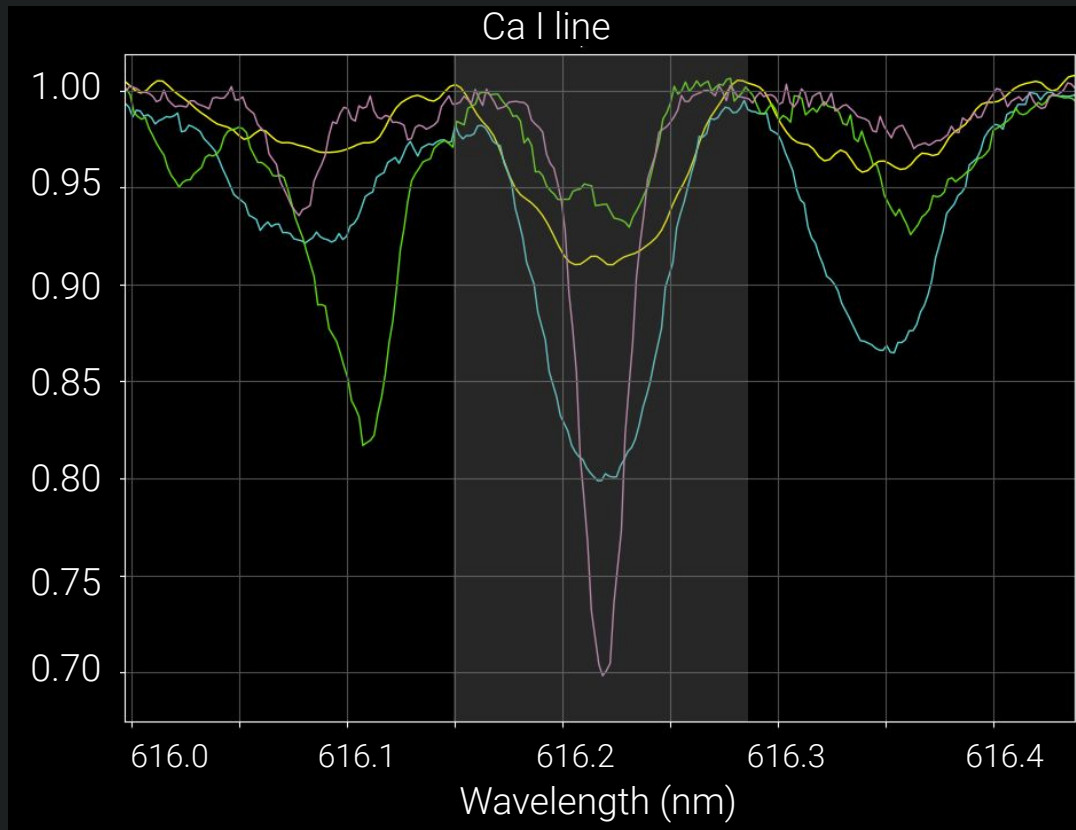
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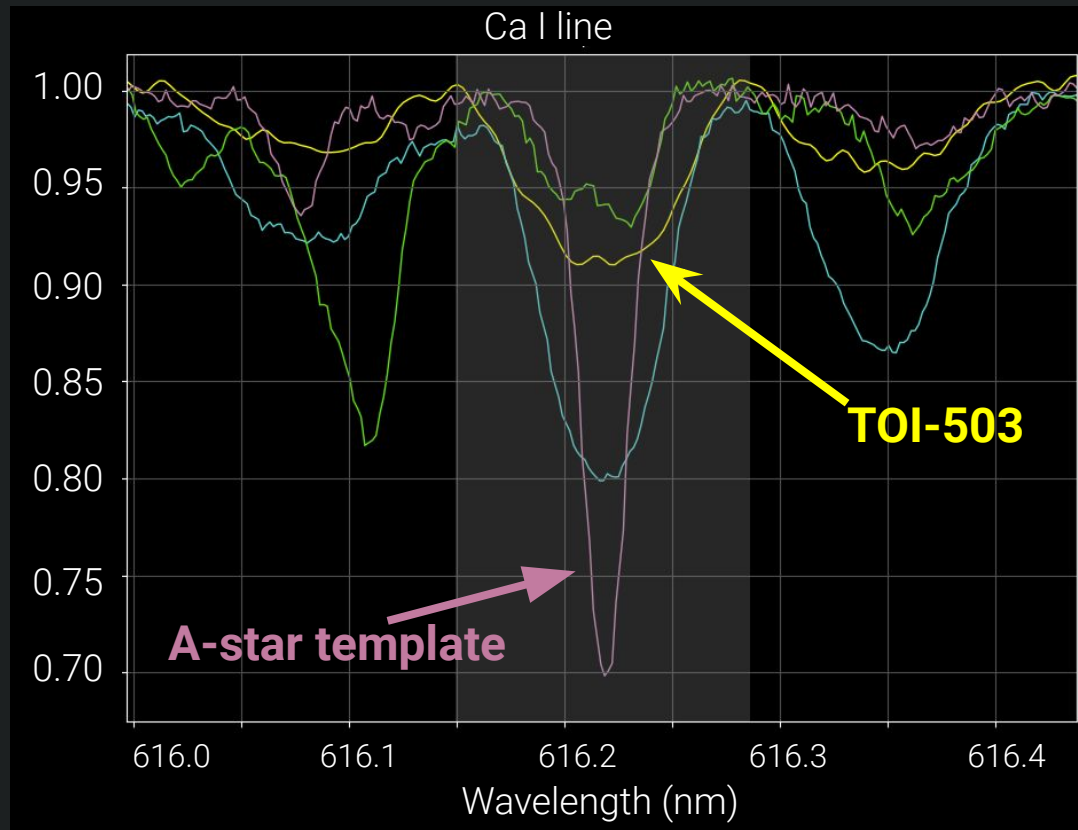
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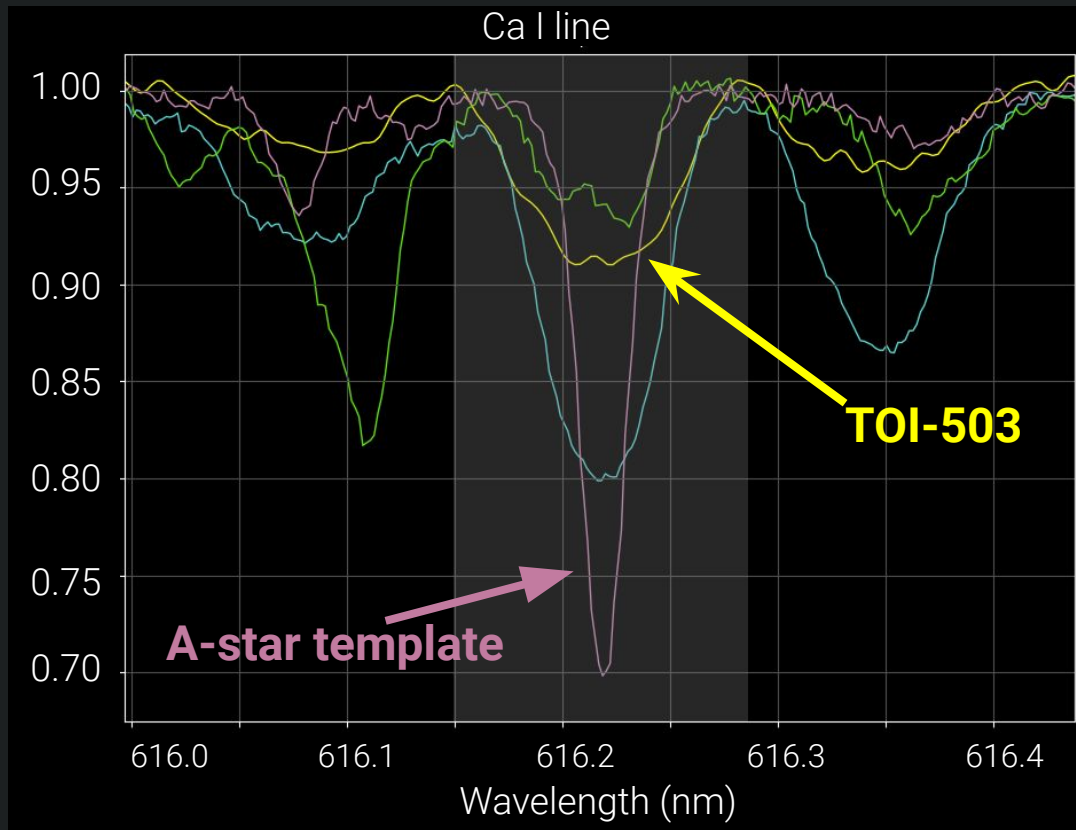
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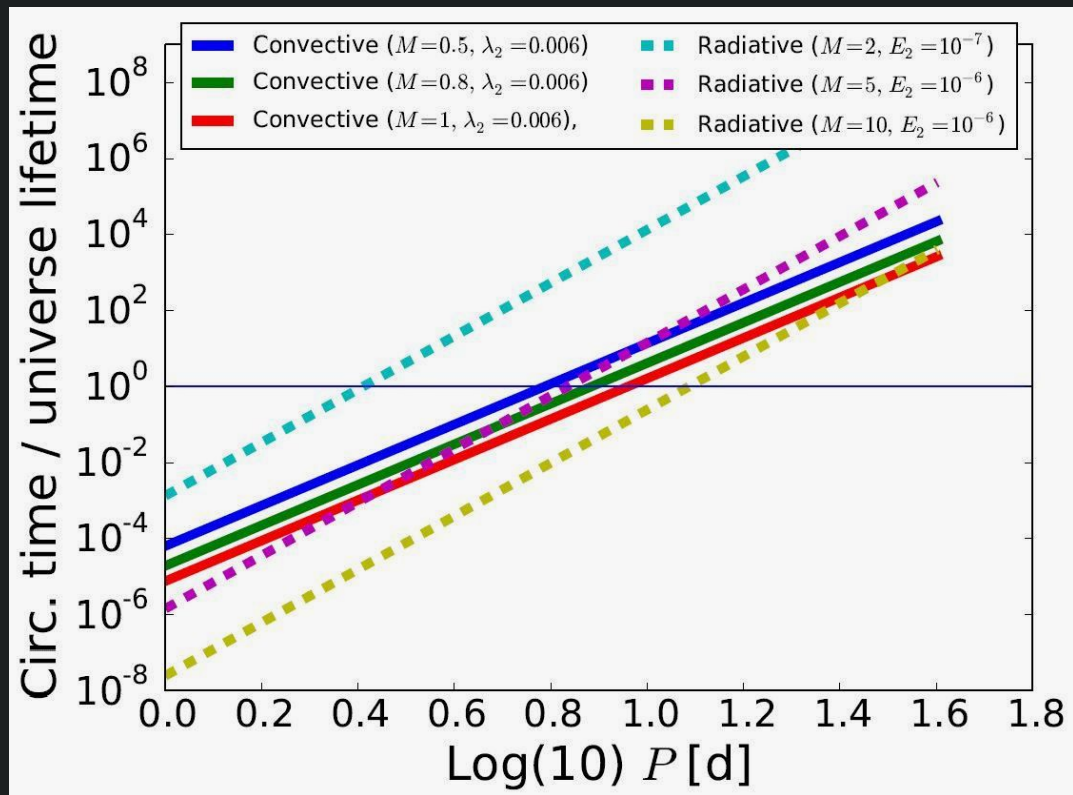
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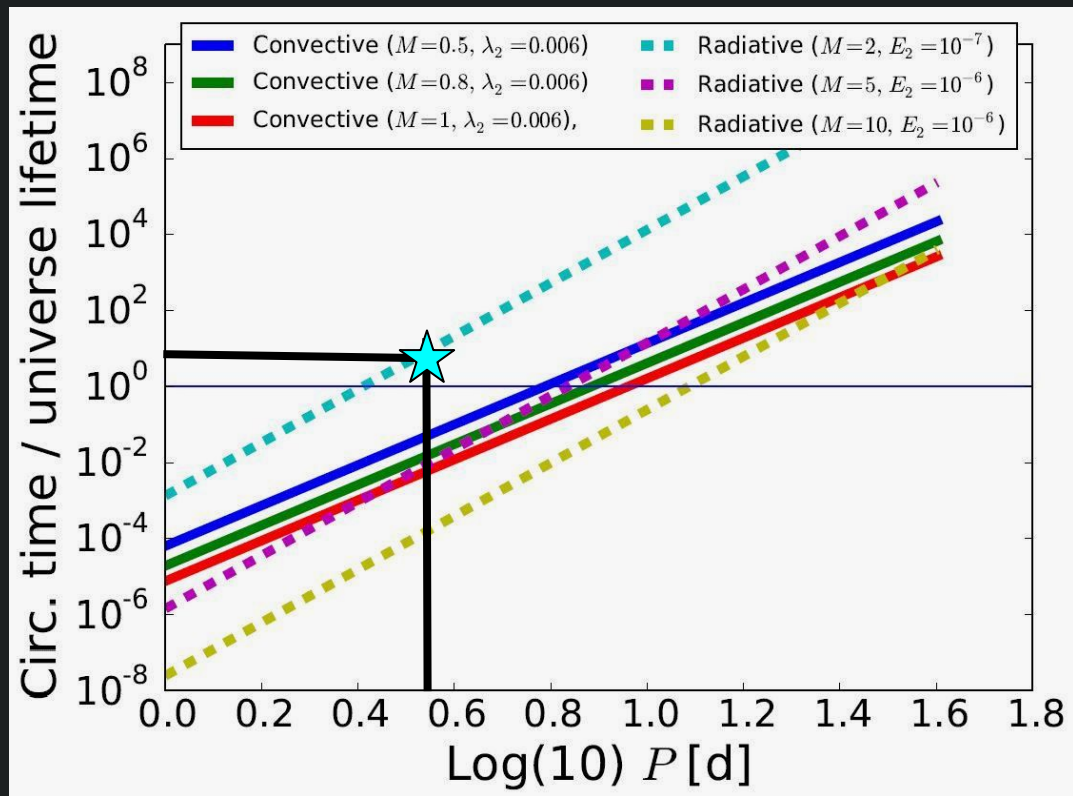
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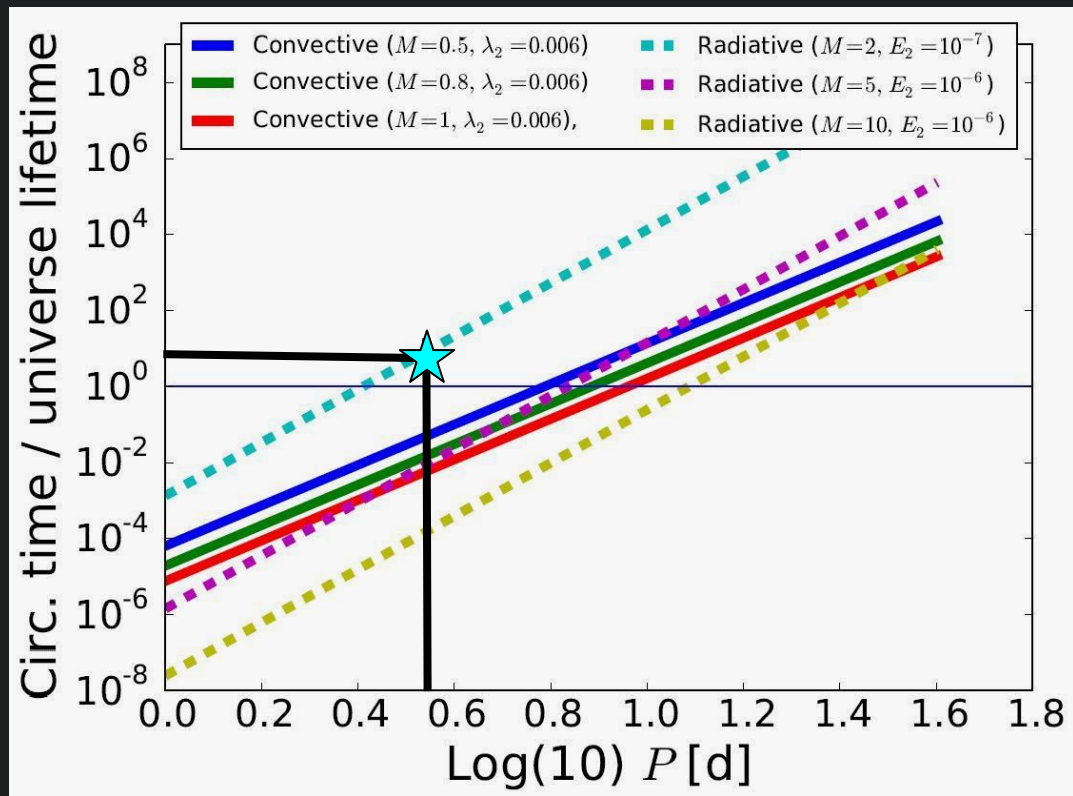
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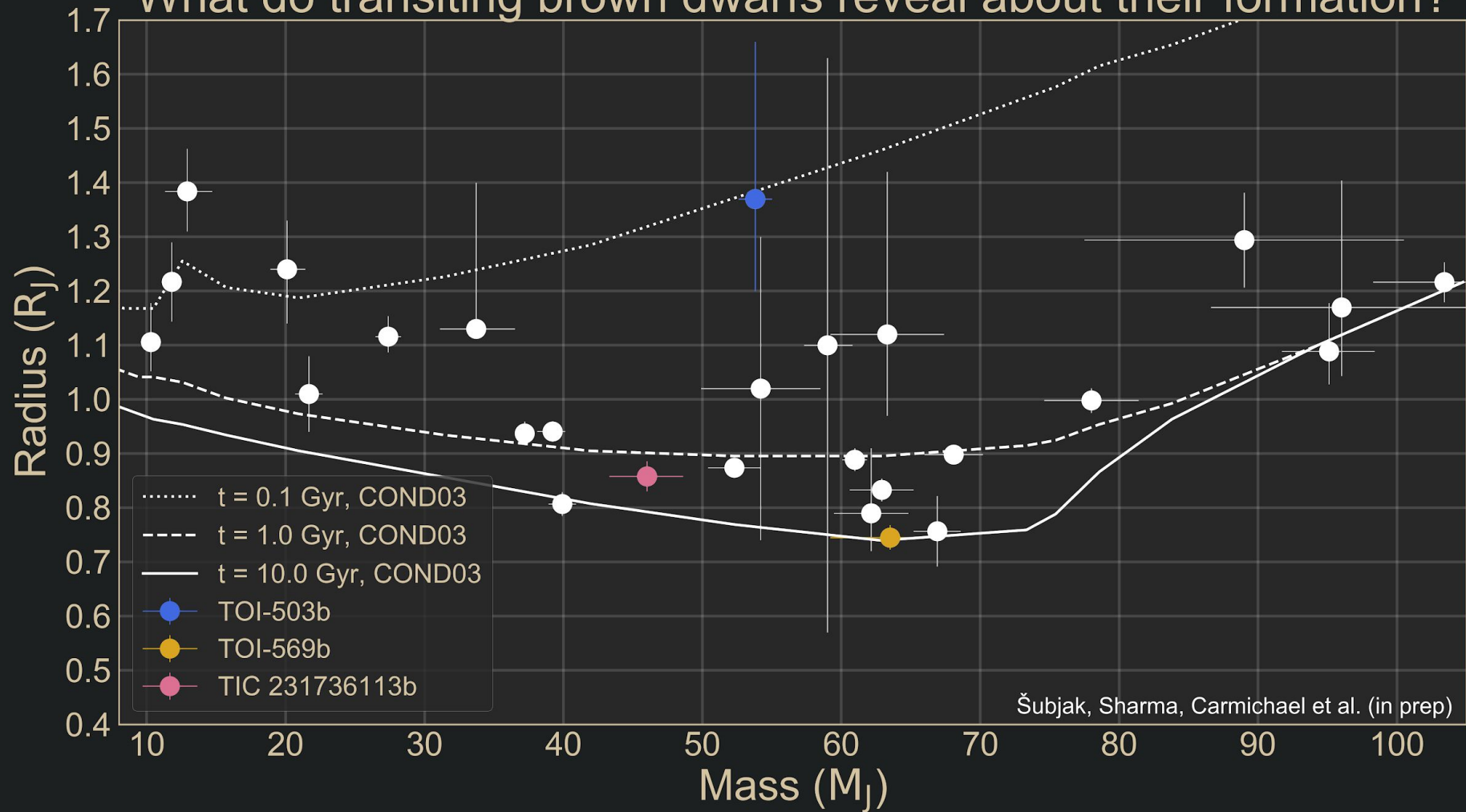
Final thoughts

- TESS has found 3 new brown dwarfs
- Transiting brown dwarfs tells us about their evolution
- Expect this population to grow for TESS Science Conference II

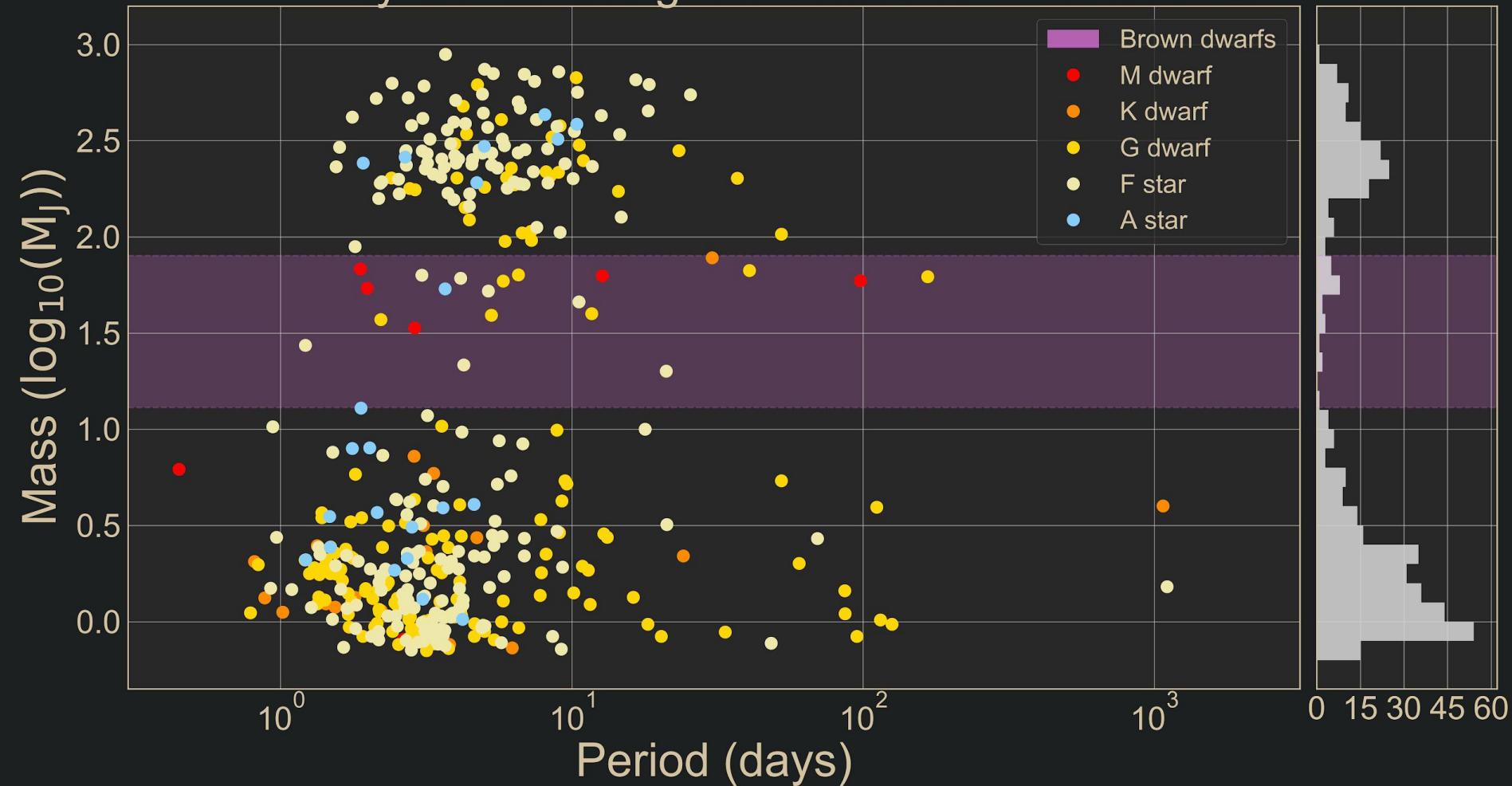


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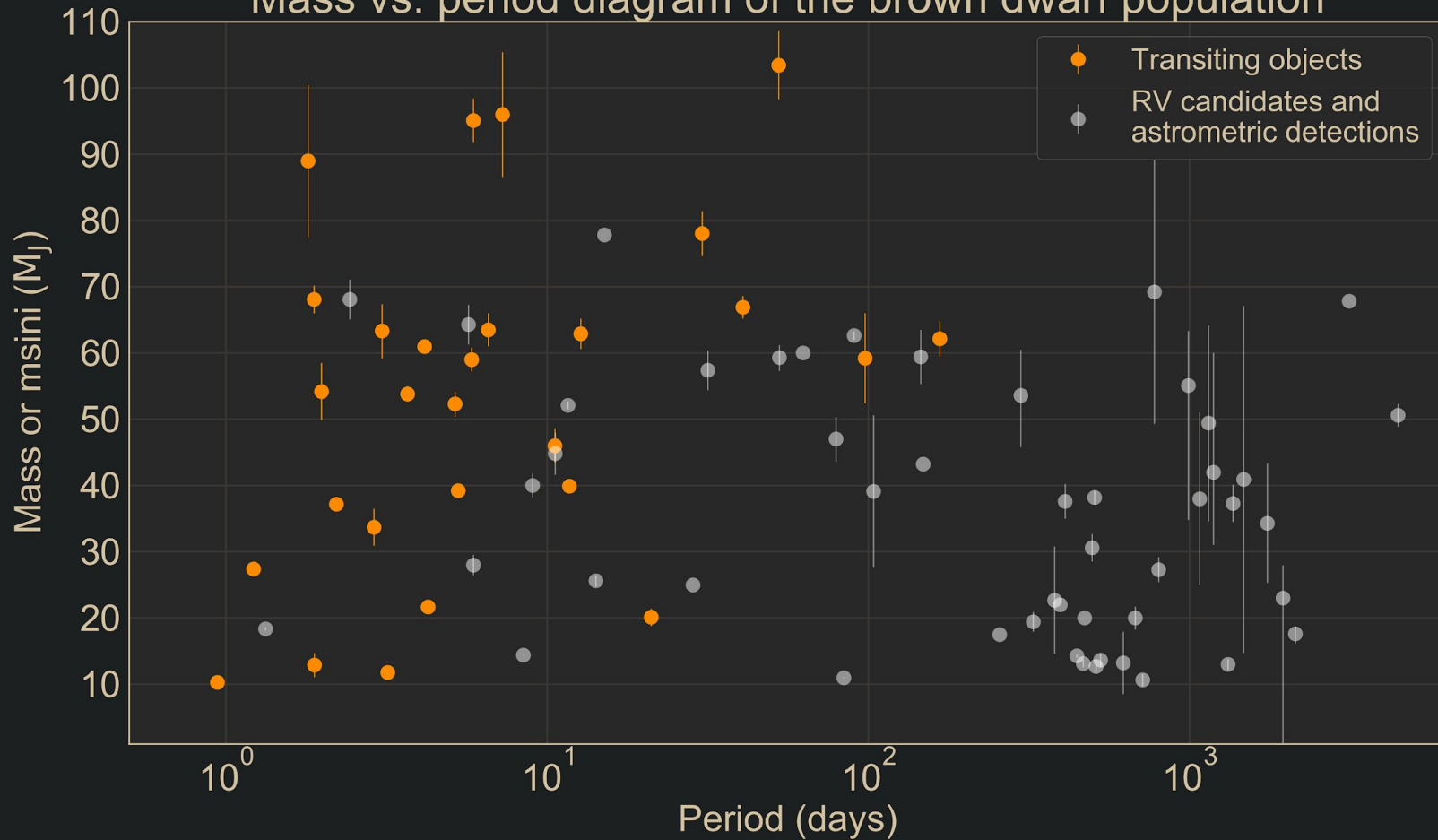
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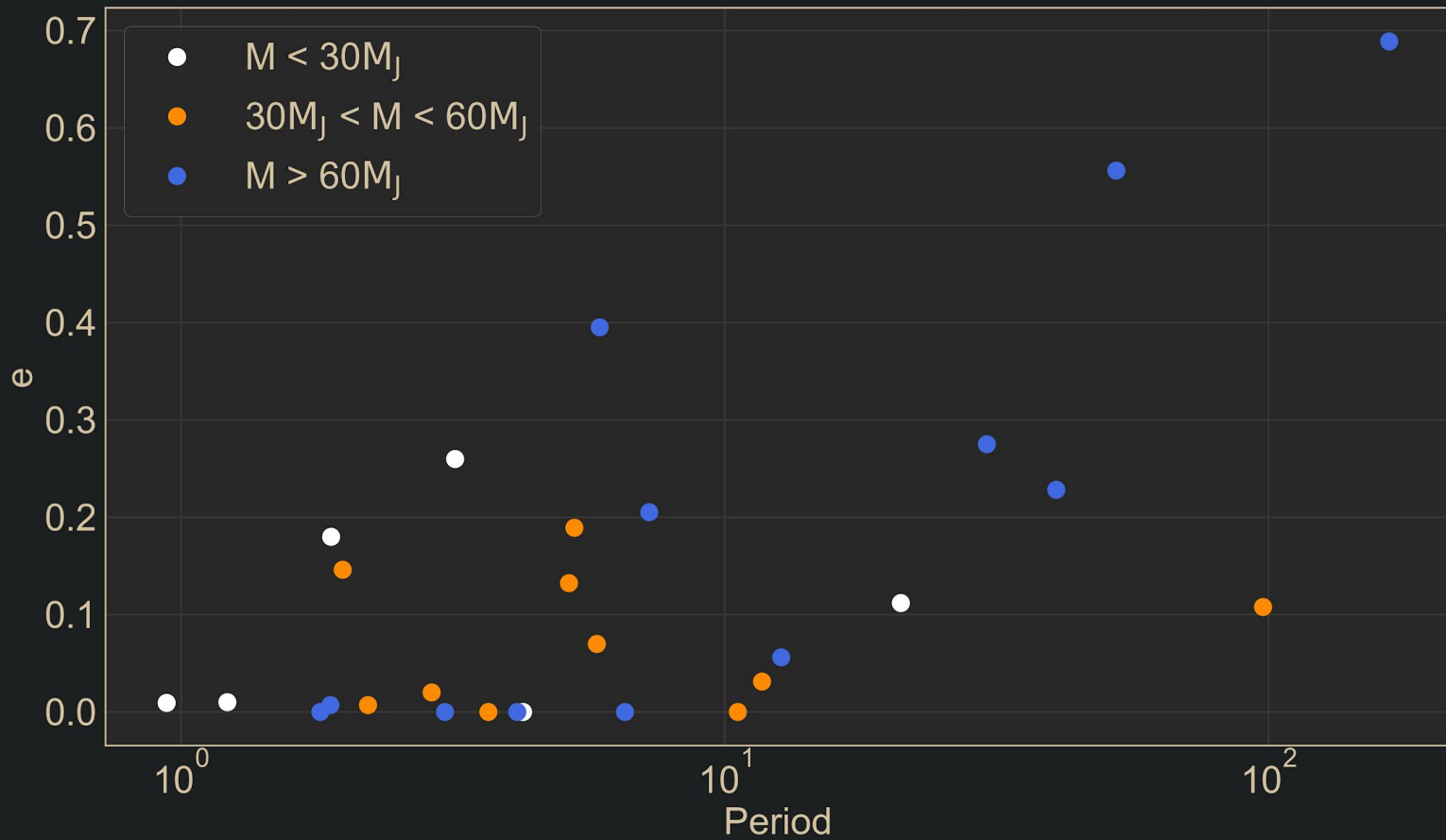


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Mass vs. period diagram of the brown dwarf population





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