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ABSTRACT

We report the discovery, mass, and radius determination of TOI-1801 b, a temperate mini-Neptune around a young M dwarf. TOI-1801 b was observed in TESS sectors 22 and 49, and the alert that this was a TESS planet candidate with a period of 21.3 days went out in April 2020. However, ground-based follow-up observations, including seeing-limited photometry in and outside transit together with precise radial velocity (RV) measurements with CARMENES and HIRES revealed that the true period of the planet is 10.6 days. These observations also allowed us to retrieve a mass of $5.74 \pm 1.46 M_{\oplus}$, which together with a radius of $2.08 \pm 0.12 R_{\oplus}$, means that TOI-1801 b is most probably composed of water and rock, with an upper limit of 2% by mass of H_2 in its atmosphere. The stellar rotation period of 16 days is readily detectable in our RV time series and in the ground-based photometry. We derived a likely age of 600–800 Myr for the parent star TOI-1801, which means that TOI-1801 b is the least massive young mini-Neptune with precise mass and radius determinations. Our results suggest that if TOI-1801 b had a larger atmosphere in the past, it must have been removed by some evolutionary mechanism on timescales shorter than 1 Gyr.

Key words. planetary systems – planets and satellites: individual: TOI-1801 – planets and satellites: atmospheres – techniques: spectroscopic – techniques: radial velocities – stars: low-mass

1. Introduction

Although the first searches for exoplanets were mainly focused on solar-type stars (Udry & Santos 2007, and references therein), it is necessary to extend these studies to stars of different masses to understand the processes of planet formation. In this sense, M dwarfs are very important because they are the most numerous stars in the solar neighbourhood (Henry et al. 2018; Reylé et al. 2021), and their lower masses and radii favour the detection of less massive planets. Thus, although the first planet searches made based on radial velocities (RVs) led to the discovery of gas giant planets at short distances, that is, the so-called hot Jupiters (Mayor & Queloz 1995; Butler & Marcy 1996; Marcy & Butler 1996), the least massive planets were discovered mainly around low-mass stars (Rivera et al. 2005). Studies of planets around M-type stars were initially performed using ground-based facilities and the RV and transit techniques (Rivera et al. 2005;

Charbonneau et al. 2009; Bonfils et al. 2013; Trifonov et al. 2018; Zechmeister et al. 2019). However, with the arrival of satellites such as CoRoT (Baglin et al. 2006), Kepler (Borucki et al. 2010; Howell et al. 2014), and mainly TESS (Ricker et al. 2014), numerous planets have recently been detected around M dwarfs with the transit technique. Their subsequent RV follow-up with spectrographs such as CARMENES (Quirrenbach et al. 2014, 2018), which has provided prolific mass determinations of small TESS planet candidates (Luque et al. 2019, 2022; Bluhm et al. 2020, 2021; Kemmer et al. 2020, 2022; Dreizler et al. 2020; Soto et al. 2021; Kossakowski et al. 2021; González-Álvarez et al. 2022; Espinoza et al. 2022; Chaturvedi et al. 2022), has allowed the characterisation of the masses and radii of numerous planets, studies of comparative planetology, and investigation of the physical properties of their interiors (Kane et al. 2021).

The dominant mechanisms forming planets and the timescales of planetary migration and atmospheric evaporation remain to be probed observationally even though more than 5000 exoplanets have been discovered so far. Young exoplanets detected by both transit and RV techniques offer a unique opportunity to study the processes of formation and evolution. However, the primary stars of these young planets exhibit

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intense activity due to the presence of magnetic spots and flares, which dominate the shape and amplitude of the photometric and RV time series (David et al. 2019; Plavchan et al. 2020; Cale et al. 2021; Suárez Mascareño et al. 2021). Consequently, discovering new transits in the light curves and extracting the Keplerian RV signals associated with the planets, which typically are several times smaller than the stellar activity-induced photometric/spectroscopic imprint, are extremely challenging.

In the last years, several studies have found a paucity of low-mass planets at short orbital periods around $1.5\text{--}2R_{\oplus}$ for solar-type stars (Fulton et al. 2017) and a similar gap shifted to smaller sizes for less massive stars (Cloutier & Menou 2020). This is also known as the small-planet valley. The knowledge of the masses and radii of these close young planets would help us to understand whether this phenomenon is primordial (Lee & Chiang 2016) or, as has been suggested, is due to atmospheric evaporation (Sanz-Forcada et al. 2011). Currently, two main mechanisms have been suggested to explain the erosion of planet atmospheres: photo-evaporation by energetic radiation from the star (Owen & Wu 2017), and atmospheric escape powered by the energy of the planetary core (Ginzburg et al. 2018). These two processes take place on different timescales of hundreds of millions or billions of years, respectively (Owen & Wu 2017; Gupta & Schlichting 2020), and hence, the study of planets at young ages can allow us to distinguish between the two mechanisms of atmospheric evolution. However, the recent study by Luque & Pallé (2022) suggests that the distribution of planets transiting M dwarfs that are located in the valley depends on their composition. The distribution is divided into three classes: rocky (with a similar composition to that of Earth), water-rich (i.e. planets made of 50% rocks and 50% water ice by mass), and gas-rich planets (i.e. either rocky planets with massive H/He envelopes or water-rich planets with less massive envelopes). Venturini et al. (2020) explained this trend by describing that planets accrete large amounts of water and gas beyond the ice line and subsequently migrate inward to shorter orbits. This sequence is a typical outcome of core-accretion models (Mordasini 2018; Brügger et al. 2020; Liu et al. 2020; Burn et al. 2021; Schlecker et al. 2021). Then, some mechanisms such as those mentioned above remove part or all of the planet envelopes.

Recently, dozens of transiting planets with sizes smaller than Neptune and larger than the Earth have been discovered to orbit stellar members of the Hyades (Mann et al. 2016, 2018; Ciardi et al. 2018), the young moving groups of Praesepe (Obermeier et al. 2016; Mann et al. 2017; Rizzuto et al. 2018) and δ Lyr (Bouma et al. 2022b) open clusters, in the Ursa Major (Mann et al. 2020), β Pictoris (Plavchan et al. 2020), Pisces-Eridanus (Newton et al. 2021), Melange-1 (Tofflemire et al. 2021), AB Doradus (Zhou et al. 2022), Melange-3 (Barber et al. 2022), and Melange-4 (Wood et al. 2023), in the Cepheus-Hercules complex (Bouma et al. 2022a), and around other young field stars (David et al. 2018a,b; Zhou et al. 2021; Ment et al. 2021; Hedges et al. 2021; Kossakowski et al. 2021; Barragán et al. 2022; Vach et al. 2022; de Leon et al. 2023; Barros et al. 2023; Dai et al. 2023; Desidera et al. 2023). However, only ten young planetary systems have measured densities, with masses derived from dedicated RV campaigns: AU Mic b and c (~ 20 Myr; Klein et al. 2021, 2022; Cale et al. 2021; Zicher et al. 2022), TOI-1807 b (~ 300 Myr; Nardiello et al. 2022), TOI-179 b (~ 300 Myr; Vines et al. 2023; Desidera et al. 2023), K2-233 d (~ 360 Myr; Barragán et al. 2023), HD 63433 c (~ 400 Myr; Mallorquín et al. 2023), TOI-560 b and c (~ 490 Myr; Barragán et al. 2022; El Mufti et al. 2023), TOI-1099 b (~ 520 Myr; Barros et al. 2023), K2-25 b

(~ 725 Myr; Stefansson et al. 2020), K2-100 b (~ 750 Myr; Barragán et al. 2019), and TOI-1201 b (600–800 Myr; Kossakowski et al. 2021).

In this paper, we present the discovery and mass characterisation of a sub-Neptune planet orbiting the young M0.5 V star TOI-1801 (LP 375-23) with an orbital period of 10.6 days. This paper is organised as follows. In Sect. 2 we describe the TESS photometry and planet discovery, while in Sect. 3 we present ground-based follow-up observations of the system. In Sect. 4 we determine the physical properties of the star and its wide stellar companion (LP 375-24). We perform a transit and RV analysis of the planet in Sect. 5. We discuss the composition of the planet and the main implications in Sect. 6. We summarize our main results in Sect. 7.

2. TESS photometry

TOI-1801 and its wide companion LP 375-24 (Sect. 4.2, Weis 1991) were observed by TESS between 18 February and 18 March 2020 in sector 22, and between 26 February and 26 March 2022 in sector 49, during the TESS primary mission and its first extended mission. TOI-1801 was observed in 2-minute short-cadence integration. However, LP 375-24 was observed in 30- and 10-minute integrations in sectors 22 and 49, respectively. At the time of writing, TESS is not scheduled to re-observe TOI-1801.

All sectors were processed by the Science Processing Operations Center (SPOC; Jenkins et al. 2016) photometry and transit-search pipeline. Light curves and the TESS target pixel files (TPFs) were downloaded from the Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes¹ (MAST), which provides the simple aperture photometry (SAP) and the pre-search data conditioning SAP flux (PDCSAP), the latter being corrected for instrumental errors and crowding. Figure 1, produced with `tpfplotter`² (Aller et al. 2020), illustrates the TPF and the optimal aperture delivering the best SAP fluxes for TOI-1801. The figure also includes the location of the target and other nearby stars according to the *Gaia* Data Release 3 (DR3) catalogue (Gaia Collaboration 2016, 2023). The PDCSAP algorithm may remove stellar activity signals (see the top and middle panels of Fig. 2). For this reason, we only used the SAP flux photometry in our study, although SAP fluxes might be contaminated by flux from nearby stars. We searched for possible contaminating sources using Fig. 1 and verified the absence of stars within the selected photometric aperture down to 6 mag fainter. The SAP flux light curve of TOI-1801 is shown in the middle panel of Fig. 2 along with the best model (Sect. 5.1.2). The SAP data present some systematics at around BJD = 2 458 905.97, 2 458 922.5, and 2 459 644.0, which typically appear as jumps in the light curve each time the spacecraft resets the reaction wheel by firing a momentum dump. These defects are not entirely removed from the PDCSAP data (top panel of Fig. 2). However, we corrected for them by performing a linear fit before and after the jumps (with a baseline of one day) and subtracting the relative flux offset from the SAP fluxes. The residuals of these defects are negligible in the SAP light curves shown in the middle and bottom panels of Fig. 2. The final TESS light curve shows a dispersion of $\sigma_{\text{TESS}} \sim 4.9$ parts per thousand (ppt), an average error bar of ~ 1.0 ppt, and peak-to-peak variations up to 20 ppt. No obvious flares are present in the data.

On 15 April 2020, an alert was issued by the TESS Science Office (TSO) about a transit signal in TOI-1801. In the first

¹ <https://archive.stsci.edu/>

² <https://github.com/jlillo/tpfplotter>

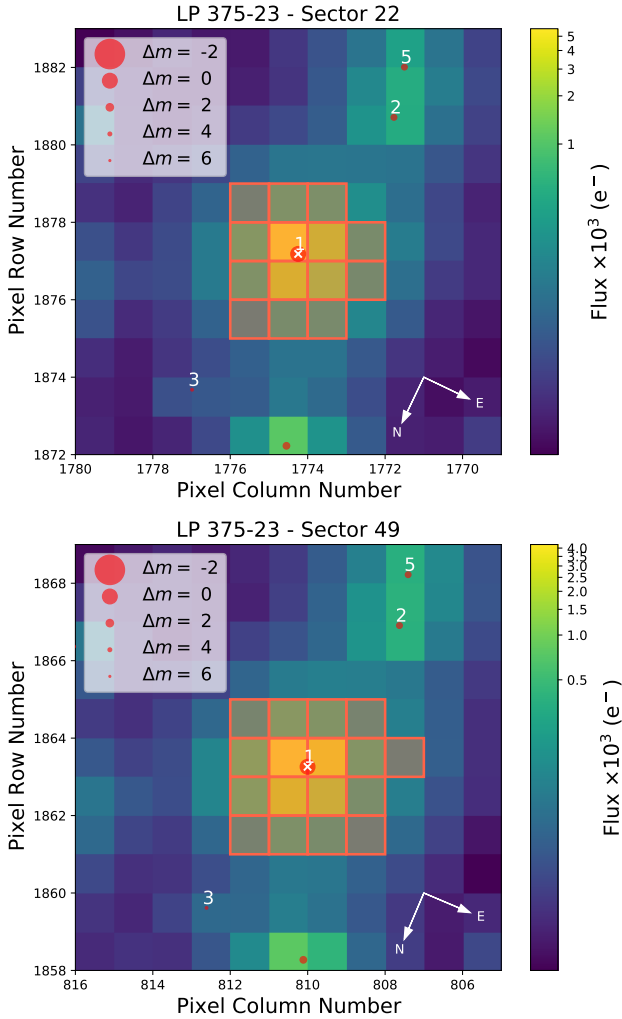


Fig. 1. TPF plot for TOI-1801 in sector 22 (top) and sector 49 (bottom). The red squares indicate the best-fit photometric aperture that was used to obtain the SAP flux. *G*-band magnitudes from *Gaia* DR3 are shown with different sizes of red circles for all nearby stars up to 6 mag fainter.

report, two transit-like features were identified with an orbital period of 21.2844 ± 0.0033 days and a depth of 1.546 ± 0.161 ppt, but the period was also consistent with a transit signal at half the reported value, that is, 10.6422 days, when considering the TESS data gap in the middle of the sector. However, after carefully inspecting sector 22 SAP photometry without relying on any quality flags, we realised that the observations actually registered a third transit (chronologically, it is the second transit) at $\text{BJD} = 2458914.2$. The data around this date were assigned a quality flag of “scattered light” (flag 4096) and were not used in the first TESS report. In order to preserve the valuable information given by this transit, we ignored the quality flags around this specific date and incorporated the data in the final TESS light curve (bottom and middle panels of Fig. 2). This additional transit-like feature in sector 22, together with the transit-like features observed in sector 49, does confirm that the periodicity of the signal is 10.6422 days. In total, there are five planetary transit-like signatures in the TESS light curve (three in sector 22 and two in sector 49). The TESS original report named this planet candidate TOI-1801.01 and provided a radius of $2.08 \pm 0.12 R_{\oplus}$ and an equilibrium temperature of 440 K. So far, we are not aware of further alerts on additional planet candidates transiting LP 375-24.

3. Ground-based follow-up observations

3.1. High-resolution imaging

TOI-1801 was observed on 28 May 2020 with high spatial resolution imaging at Keck Observatory on the top of Mauna Kea, Hawai’i (USA). The observations were carried out with the NIRC2 instrument on the 10 m Keck II telescope. TOI-1801 was also observed on 19 June 2020 with the ‘Alopeke speckle instrument mounted on the 8 m Gemini North telescope, also on Mauna Kea. The IR (infrared) / AO (adaptive optics) imaging was performed with an integration time of 2 s using the narrow-band Br- γ filter ($\lambda_0 = 2.1686 \mu\text{m}$; $\Delta\lambda = 0.0326 \mu\text{m}$), and the speckle imaging was carried out in two simultaneous narrow-band filters ($\lambda_1 = 562 \text{ nm}$; $\Delta\lambda_1 = 54 \text{ nm}$ and $\lambda_2 = 832 \text{ nm}$; $\Delta\lambda_2 = 40 \text{ nm}$). We obtained 5000 images with an exposure time of 0.06 s each in each channel. These high-resolution IR and visible-light observations allowed us to rule out unresolved companions, and we can therefore support the hypothesis that the candidate is indeed a planet. We searched for nearby sources (Fig. 3) and detected no companion to TOI-1801 within 0.02–0.1” down to 4–5 magnitudes fainter at 5σ contrast.

3.2. LCOGT transit photometry

We observed two full transit windows of TOI-1801 in the Pan-STARRS z -short filter on 13 March 2021 and 13 April 2021 from the Las Cumbres Observatory Global Telescope (LCOGT; Brown et al. 2013) 1.0 m network node at Cerro Tololo Inter-American Observatory (CTIO), Chile. We also observed in the 13 March 2021 window using an LCOGT 0.4 m network telescope at CTIO in the Sloan i' filter. The 1 m telescopes are equipped with 4096×4096 SINISTRO cameras with an image scale of $0.389''$ per pixel, resulting in a field of view of $26' \times 26'$. The 0.4 m telescopes are equipped with 2048×3072 SBIG STX6303 cameras with an image scale of $0.57'' \text{ pixel}^{-1}$, resulting in a field of view of $19' \times 29'$. The images were processed by the standard LCOGT BANZAI pipeline (McCully et al. 2018), and photometric data were extracted using AstroImageJ (Collins et al. 2017). The images were focused and have typical stellar point spread functions with a full width at half maximum (FWHM) of roughly $2.0''$, and circular apertures with radius $6.6''$ were used to extract the differential photometry. The observations taken on 13 March 2021 were affected by variable sky transparency and poor guiding, and they are not sensitive at the expected 1.5 ppt depth level. They did rule out nearby eclipsing binaries within $2.5'$ of TOI-1801, however, which could have caused the TESS detection due to blending in the TESS photometric aperture. The data from 13 April 2021 were observed under good conditions, and we detected a $\sim 1.3 \text{ h}$ late ~ 1.5 ppt transit-like signal on target. The transit data are included in the transit-only fit and in the global model described in Sects. 5.1.2 and 5.4, respectively.

3.3. MuSCAT2 transit photometry

TOI-1801 was observed on 5 February 2022 with the multi-band imager MuSCAT2 (Narita et al. 2019) mounted on the 1.5 m Telescopio Carlos Sánchez (TCS) at the Observatorio del Teide, Spain. MuSCAT2 is equipped with four CCDs and can obtain simultaneous images in g' , r' , i' , and z_s bands with short read-out times. Each CCD has 1024×1024 pixels with a field of view of $7.4' \times 7.4'$.

The observations were made while the telescope was slightly defocused. The i' -band camera had connection issues and could

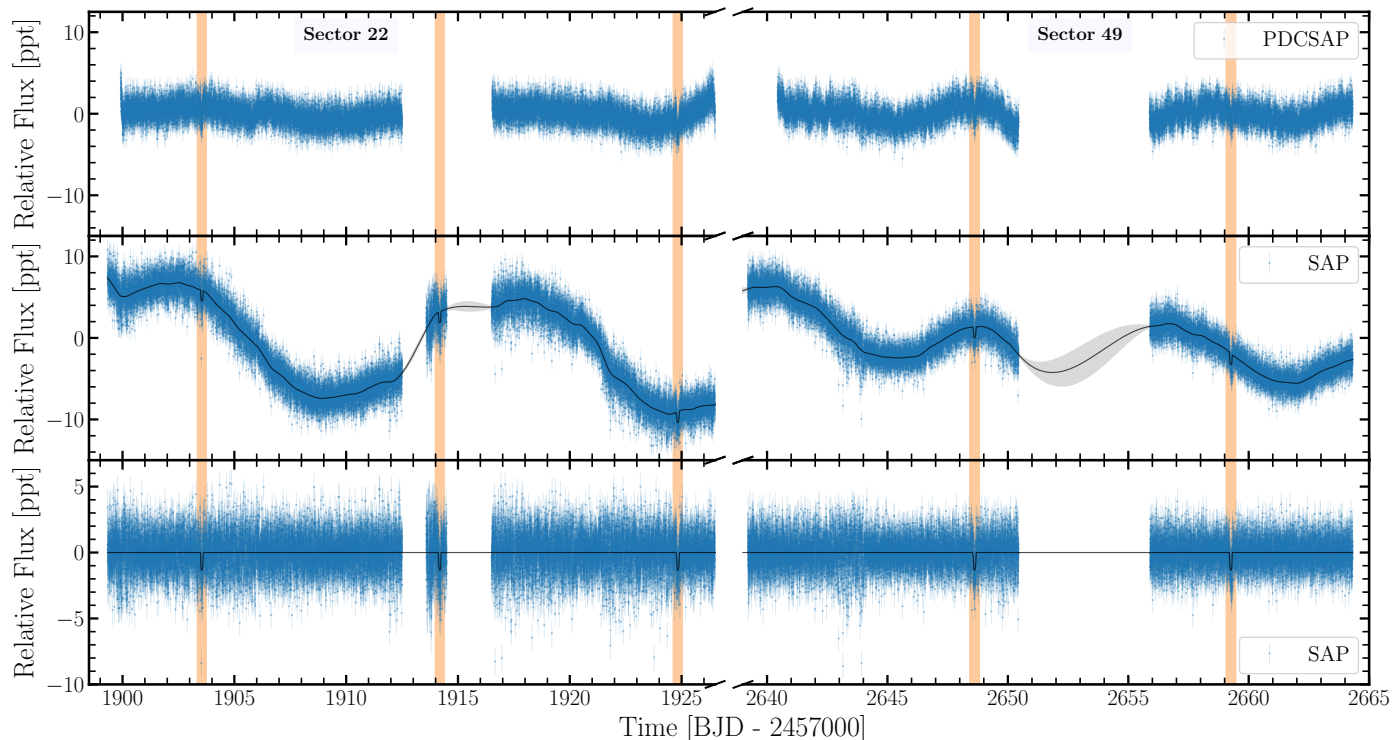


Fig. 2. TESS light curves of TOI-1801 (sectors 22 and 49, blue dots). The vertical orange lines indicate the location of the planetary transits of TOI-1801 b. Top panel: SPOC PDCSAP fluxes. Middle panel: SPOC SAP fluxes; the black curve stands for the stellar activity plus planet transit model, the model 1σ uncertainty is shown by the grey shaded region. Bottom panel: detrended SAP light curve; the black line shows the best fit from a transit-only model. All photometric data points are plotted together with their error bars.

not be used for the observations. The exposure times were set to 50, 25, and 10 s in g' , r' , and z_s , respectively. The full transit observation could not be completed, and the observations had to be interrupted due to high levels of dust at the observatory. The raw data were reduced by the MuSCAT2 pipeline (Parviainen et al. 2019). The pipeline performs dark and flat-field calibrations, aperture photometry, and transit model fitting, including instrumental systematics. The data are included in the transit-only and global fits in Sects. 5.1.2 and 5.4, respectively.

3.4. Long-term photometry

We gathered archival time-series photometry from the ASAS-SN, SuperWASP, and MEarth public ground-based surveys, and took additional data with TJO, e-EYE, and LCOGT of TOI-1801, as described in the following subsections. We used all of these data for an accurate determination of the true rotational period of the parent star.

3.4.1. ASAS-SN

TOI-1801 was observed by the All-Sky Automated Survey for Supernovae (ASAS-SN; Shappee et al. 2014; Kochanek et al. 2017) project. ASAS-SN consists of a network of 24 robotic telescopes with a diameter of 14 cm, which is distributed around the globe in both the northern and southern hemispheres. It can survey the entire sky down to $V \approx 18$ mag. We retrieved the ASAS-SN time-series photometry of TOI-1801 from the web page of the project³. The data cover a baseline of ~ 5 yr and consist of a total of 221 V -band measurements acquired between 18

November 2013 and 28 November 2018. The root mean square (rms) of the data is ~ 0.008 mag.

3.4.2. SuperWASP

TOI-1801 was photometrically monitored between 2 May 2004 and 16 May 2007 by the SuperWASP-North survey (Pollacco et al. 2006), a multi-camera system located at Roque de los Muchachos Observatory in La Palma, Spain. At the time of the observations, SuperWASP-North consisted of an array of eight 200 mm $f/1.8$ telescopes, each equipped with a 2048×2048 pixel back-illuminated CCD camera. SuperWASP-North gathered a total of 5939 broad-band photometric measurements (400–700 nm). We retrieved the SuperWASP photometry of TOI-1801 from the web page of the project⁴. The rms of the data is ~ 0.010 mag.

3.4.3. MEarth

The MEarth project (Irwin et al. 2015) observes the entire sky with two robotic arrays of telescopes in the northern and southern hemispheres. The MEarth-North telescope array is located at the *Fred Lawrence Whipple* Observatory (FLWO) in Arizona. One of the eight 40 cm telescopes of the MEarth-North array photometrically monitored TOI-1801 from 3 November 2011 to 10 November 2015, acquiring a total of 425 data points. We downloaded the MEarth photometric data from the web page of the project⁵. The rms of the data is ~ 0.006 mag.

³ <https://asas-sn.osu.edu>

⁴ <https://wasp.cerit-sc.cz/form>

⁵ <https://lweb.cfa.harvard.edu/MEarth/DataDR10.html>

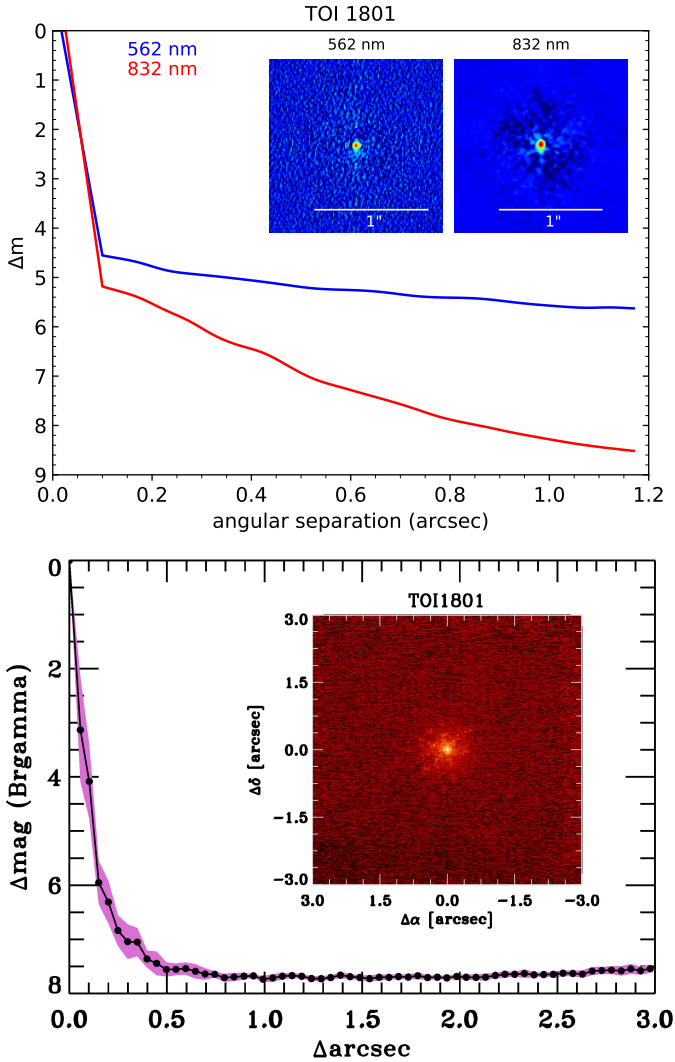


Fig. 3. Contrast curves for TOI-1801 from 'Alopeke speckle imaging (top) and from the NIRC2 instrument (bottom). The blue, red, and black lines correspond to the filters of 562 nm, 832 nm, and 2.1686 μm , respectively. The insets show the reconstructed $1.25 \times 1.25''^2$ for 'Alopeke speckle imaging and $6.0 \times 6.0''^2$ for the NIRC2 instrument for each of filters. None of them reveals a close companion within $0.1''$ down to $\Delta = 4\text{--}5$ mag with respect to the target.

3.4.4. TJO

We observed TOI-1801 from 20 February 2021 to 7 June 2022 with the 0.8 m *Joan Oró* telescope (TJO; Colomé et al. 2010) at the Montsec Observatory in Lleida, Spain. We obtained a total of 330 images on 42 different nights with an exposure time of 60 s each using the Johnson *R* filter of the LAIA imager, a $4\text{k} \times 4\text{k}$ CCD with a field of view of $30'$ and a scale of $0.4'' \text{ pixel}^{-1}$. The images were calibrated with darks, bias, and flat fields with the ICAT pipeline (Colomé & Ribas 2006) of the TJO. The differential photometry was extracted with AstroImageJ (Collins et al. 2017) using the aperture size that minimised the rms of the resulting relative fluxes, and a selection of the 20 brightest comparison stars in the field that did not show variability. Then, we used our own pipelines to remove outliers and measurements affected by poor observing conditions or with a low signal-to-noise ratio (S/N). The resulting rms of the differential photometry from the TJO in the *R* filter is ~ 0.005 mag.

3.4.5. e-EYE

TOI-1801 was observed from e-EYE (shorthand for Entre Encinas y Estrellas)⁶, a telescope-hosting facility located at Fregenal de la Sierra in Badajoz, Spain. Observations in the *V* filter were taken between May 2022 and July 2022 using a $16''$ ODK corrected-Dall-Kirkham reflector with a Kodak KAF-16803 CCD chip on an ASA DDM85 mount. The CCD camera is equipped with Astrodon filters. The effective pixel scale is $2.04''/\text{pixel}$ with 3×3 binning. The images and differential aperture photometry of the target and several reference stars were reduced using the Lesve photometry package⁷. The rms of the data is ~ 0.041 mag.

3.4.6. LCOGT

TOI-1801 was observed in the *V* band with the 40 cm telescopes of LCOGT (Sect. 3.2) at the McDonald and Haleakalaā observatories between 4 May 2022 and 12 July 2022. We obtained ten individual exposures of 40 s for a total of 46 observing epochs. Weather conditions at the observatories were mostly clear, and the average seeing varies from $1.0''$ to $3.0''$. Raw data were processed using the BANZAI pipeline (McCully et al. 2018), which includes bad pixel, bias, dark, and flat field corrections for each individual night. We performed differential aperture photometry of TOI-1801 with respect to three reference stars of similar brightness in the same field of view. An optimal aperture of 10 pixels ($\sim 6''$), which minimises the dispersion of the differential light curve, was adopted. The rms of the data is ~ 0.014 mag.

3.5. CARMENES spectroscopic observations

We collected 88 spectra between 30 January 2021 (UT) and 11 June 2022 (UT) with the CARMENES instrument installed at the 3.5 m telescope of Calar Alto Observatory, Almería, Spain. The CARMENES spectrograph has two channels (Quirrenbach et al. 2014, 2018), a visible (VIS) channel covering the spectral range $0.52\text{--}0.96 \mu\text{m}$ and a near-infrared (NIR) channel covering the spectral range $0.96\text{--}1.71 \mu\text{m}$. Three spectra were discarded because the drift correction was missing and another 5 and 20 were removed due to their low S/N (< 30) or outliers from the VIS and NIR channels, respectively. The final data sets contain 80 spectra in the VIS range and 68 spectra in the NIR range. These observations were taken with exposure times of 1800 s obtaining an S/N per pixel at 745 nm in the range 32–122, and at 1221 nm in the range of 34–143. The CARMENES performance, data reduction and wavelength calibration were described by Caballero et al. (2016), Trifonov et al. (2018), and Kaminski et al. (2018). Relative RVs and activity indicators such as the chromatic index (CRX), differential line width (dLW), $H\alpha$ index, the Ca II IR triple (IRT), and the Na I D values were obtained using *serval*⁸ (Zechmeister et al. 2018). The RV measurements were corrected for barycentric motion, secular acceleration, nightly zero-points, and for telluric lines as described by Nagel et al. (2023). The typical dispersion of the RV measurements are $\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}} \sim 6.3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ and $\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}} \sim 9.3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$. The uncertainties of the measured RVs are in the range $1.6\text{--}5.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ with a median value of 2.4 m s^{-1} for the VIS and between $4.6\text{--}22 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ with a median value of 8.9 m s^{-1} for the NIR measurements.

⁶ <https://www.e-eye.es/>

⁷ <http://www.dppobservatory.net>

⁸ <https://github.com/mzechmeister/serval>

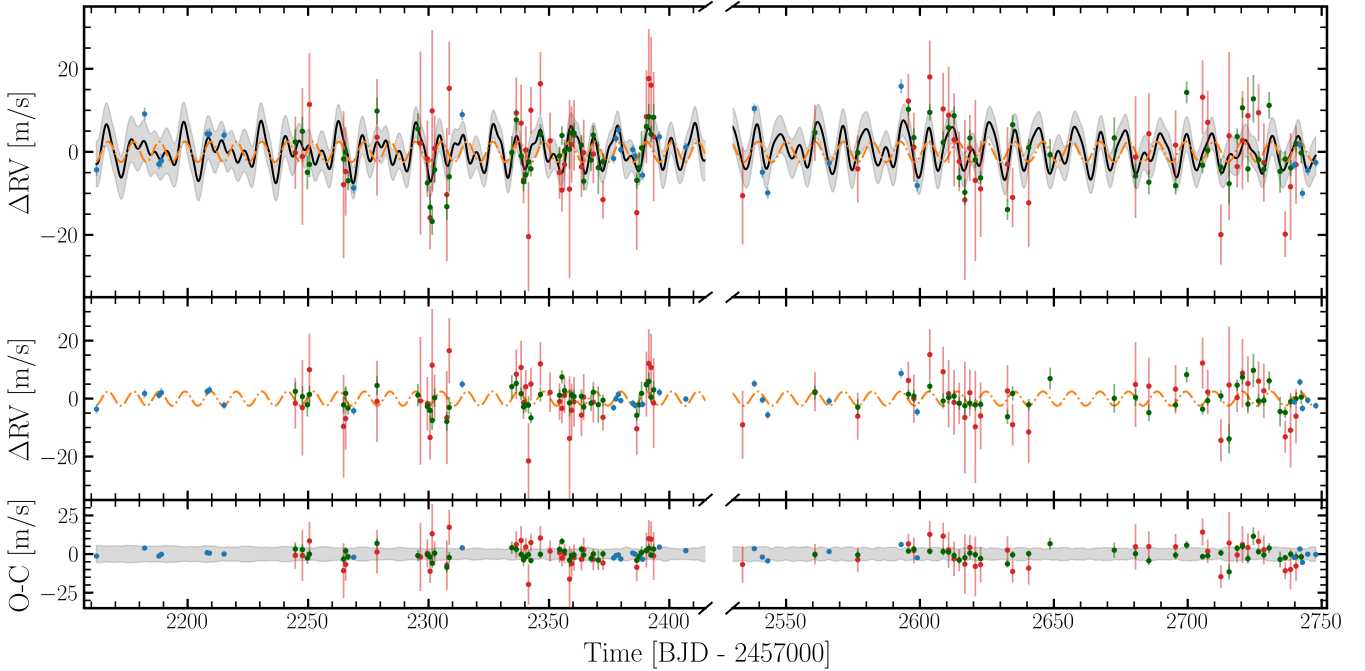


Fig. 4. CARMENES VIS, CARMENES NIR, and HIRES RV data for TOI-1801 (green, red, and blue dots, respectively). Top panel: combined model (black line) with its 1σ level of confidence (grey shadow), and Keplerian model for the planet (dashed orange line). Middle panel: Keplerian model alone (dashed orange line) after subtracting the best activity model. Bottom panel: residuals for the best-fit.

The RV curve is shown in Fig. 4 with its best-fit model (Sect. 5.4 for details). As in the photometric TESS data, we searched for RV measurements affected by flares by measuring the relative intensity of a set of emission lines ($H\alpha$, Ca II IRT, Na I, K I, and He I) usually associated with chromospheric activity (Fuhrmeister et al. 2019, 2022). We compared these lines with each other for all spectra to search for significant variations, but none of the lines seem to be affected by flares. Tables A.1 and A.2 give the time stamps of the spectra in BJD_{TDB} and the relative RVs measured with *serval* along with their 1σ error bars.

3.6. HIRES spectroscopic observations

Using the HIRES spectrometer on the Keck I telescope on Mauna Kea, we collected 29 RVs spanning 2.1 yr. The spectrometer resolutions 60 000 and the median S/N per pixel is 163 at 550 nm resulting in a median internal uncertainty of 1.21 m s^{-1} . The star is sufficiently faint, and therefore, we used the C2 decker ($0.87'' \times 14.0''$) in order to remove sky-background flux uniquely for every column in each order in the 2D raw CCD image. RVs were calculated using a forward model that uses a Fourier transform spectrum of the iodine cell spectrum that is imprinted on each RV observation, an iodine-free observation of the target star, and a model of the point spread function. Further details of the raw reduction and RV pipeline were presented by Howard et al. (2010). The RVs were originally collected as part of the TESS-Keck Survey (Chontos et al. 2022). Table A.3 lists the time stamps and the relative RVs with their 1σ error bars.

3.7. iSHELL spectroscopic observations

We obtained 287 spectra of TOI-1801 with on-source integration times of 300 s, repeated 8–16 times on 25 nights in variable

seeing conditions, spanning over 385 days with the iSHELL spectrometer on the NASA Infrared Telescope Facility (IRTF, Rayner et al. 2016). Each night, a cumulative S/N of 102–175 (median: 146) per spectral pixel at approximately $2.2 \mu\text{m}$ at centre blaze was obtained. A per night RV precision of $5\text{--}30 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (median 10 m s^{-1}) is obtained. Spectra were reduced and RVs extracted using the methods outlined by Cale et al. (2019). Three nights were discarded due to non-convergent modelling, resulting in 23 useful RV measurements. The iSHELL time stamps and the relative RVs together with their 1σ error bars are listed in Table A.4. These RVs were ultimately discarded in subsequent analyses due to their poor temporal cadence.

4. Stellar properties

From the high S/N stellar template generated by *serval*, which combined the 80 CARMENES spectra, the stellar atmospheric parameters (T_{eff} , $\log g$, and $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$) were derived with the STEPARSYN⁹ code (Tabernero et al. 2022) using the line list and model grid described in Marfil et al. (2021). The spectroscopically derived values of TOI-1801's T_{eff} ($3863 \pm 77 \text{ K}$), $\log g$ ($4.78 \pm 0.05 \text{ dex}$), and $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ ($-0.19 \pm 0.04 \text{ dex}$) are given in Table 1. The high surface gravity suggests that the star belongs to the main sequence. The STEPARSYN method has been compared to different methods and procedures available in the literature by Marfil et al. (2021) and yields reliable values, in particular, for early-M dwarfs.

We obtained the stellar bolometric luminosity from photometric spectral energy distribution (SED) of TOI-1801 following a similar procedure to that of Cifuentes et al. (2020), where all apparent photometry was converted into absolute fluxes using the *Gaia* DR3 parallax. The SED (Fig. 5) was built using data

⁹ <https://github.com/hmtabernero/SteParSyn/>

Table 1. Stellar parameters of TOI-1801.

Parameter	Value	Reference
Name	LP 375-23 TIC 119584412	Luy79 TIC
α (J2016)	11:42:18.1	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
δ (J2016)	+23:01:36.3	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
Sp. type	M0.5 \pm 0.5 V	This work
ϖ [mas]	32.370 \pm 0.024	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
d [pc]	30.893 \pm 0.023	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
RUWE	1.041	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
T_{eff} [K]	3863 \pm 77	This work
$\log g$ [cgs]	4.78 \pm 0.05	This work
[Fe/H] [dex]	-0.19 \pm 0.04	This work
M_{\star} [M_{\odot}]	0.548 \pm 0.048	This work
R_{\star} [R_{\odot}]	0.542 \pm 0.029	This work
L_{\star} [$10^{-4} L_{\odot}$]	588.8 \pm 13.7	This work
$v \sin i$ [km s $^{-1}$]	<3	This work
P_{rot} [d]	15.98 \pm 0.66	This work
U [km s $^{-1}$]	-28.94 \pm 0.04	This work
V [km s $^{-1}$]	-6.67 \pm 0.04	This work
W [km s $^{-1}$]	-7.48 \pm 0.18	This work
Gal. population	Young disk	This work
Age [Myr]	600–800	This work
NUV [mag]	20.317 \pm 0.165	GALEX
B_p [mag]	11.801 \pm 0.003	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
G [mag]	10.830 \pm 0.003	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
R_p [mag]	9.857 \pm 0.004	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
J [mag]	8.649 \pm 0.026	2MASS
L_X [10^{28} erg s $^{-1}$]	\sim 1.2	This work

References. Luy79: Luyten (1979); TIC: Stassun et al. (2019); *Gaia* DR3: Gaia Collaboration (2016, 2023); GALEX: Bianchi et al. (2017); 2MASS: Skrutskie et al. (2006).

from various publicly available catalogues: the Galaxy Evolution Explorer (GALEX; Bianchi et al. 2017), the American Association of Variable Star Observers Photometric All-Sky Survey (APASS; Henden & Munari 2014), the HIPPARCOS and *Tycho*-2 catalogues (Perryman et al. 1997; Høg et al. 2000), *Gaia* DR3 (Gaia Collaboration 2016, 2023), the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS; York et al. 2000), the Two Micron All-Sky Survey (2MASS; Skrutskie et al. 2006), the AKARI mid-infrared all-sky survey (Ishihara et al. 2010), and the Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE; Wright et al. 2010). These data are also available through the Virtual Observatory SED analyser (VOSA; Bayo et al. 2008). The SED of TOI-1801 covers wavelengths from \sim 0.25 through \sim 25 μm and is well reproduced by the PHOENIX solar metallicity model (Husser et al. 2013) with an effective temperature of 3900 K and a surface gravity of $\log g = 5.0 \text{ cm s}^{-2}$, which is compatible with the values derived from the spectral analysis of the CARMENES data. At short wavelengths, TOI-1801 shows higher fluxes than expected from purely photometric emission, as expected for an M dwarf (Cifuentes et al. 2020), which is a clear indication of stellar activity. At long wavelengths, there is no evidence of IR flux excesses up to \sim 25 μm . Therefore, TOI-1801 does not host a warm debris disk. The photometric SED (excluding the GALEX data) was integrated using the trapezoidal rule to derive the photospheric bolometric luminosity $L = (588.8 \pm 13.7) \times 10^{-4} L_{\odot}$, where the error bar comes from the uncertainty in the trigonometric parallax and the photometric error bars. We did not complete the

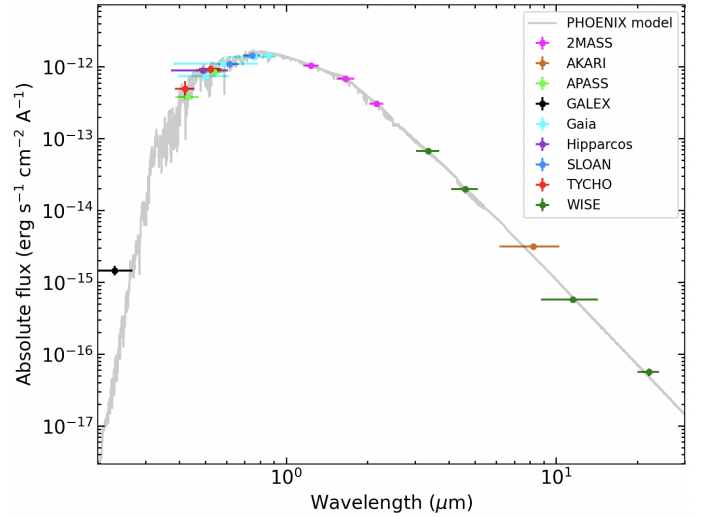


Fig. 5. Photometric SED of TOI-1801. The grey line corresponds to the PHOENIX solar metallicity model (Husser et al. 2013) with $T_{\text{eff}} = 3900 \text{ K}$ and $\log g = 5.0 \text{ cm s}^{-2}$.

SED below 0.25 μm and above 25 μm using theoretical models because the contribution of these fluxes to the global luminosity is estimated to be less than a few percent at temperatures of about 3900 K, that is, below the quoted luminosity uncertainty.

The stellar radius ($R_{\star} = 0.542^{+0.029}_{-0.027} R_{\odot}$) follows from the Stefan-Boltzmann law, and the stellar mass ($M_{\star} = 0.548^{+0.048}_{-0.045} M_{\odot}$) was derived from the linear mass-radius relation of Schweitzer et al. (2019). We point out that the mass-radius relation of Schweitzer et al. (2019) is valid for main-sequence objects older than a few hundred million years, and therefore, it is applicable to TOI-1801 (Sect. 4.3). As a consistency check, we also determined the TOI-1801 surface gravity to be $\log g = 4.71 \pm 0.08 \text{ cm s}^{-2}$ by using the bolometric luminosity-based stellar mass and radius and Newton's law. The spectroscopic measurement of $\log g$ agrees at better than 1σ , which supports the determinations of the stellar mass and radius, which are critical for the characterization of the planetary system.

We searched for spectra in large-scale surveys and telescope archives. We found a good-quality low-resolution ($\mathcal{R} \sim 1800$ at 5500 Å) optical (3690–9100 Å) spectrum in the 6th data release of the LAMOST survey¹⁰, where TOI-1801 was automatically classified as field dM0. Using the LAMOST spectrum, in comparison with the SDSS template spectra (Bochanski et al. 2007), we determine a spectral type of M0.5V for TOI-1801 with an uncertainty of half a subclass (see Fig. 6), which agrees with the previous classification of Lépine et al. (2013) and the derived T_{eff} from the CARMENES high-resolution spectra. The retrieved stellar parameters are given in Table 1.

4.1. Rotation period

Active regions (i.e. spots and faculae) on the stellar surface appear and disappear as the star rotates around its axis, inducing a quasi-periodic photometric variability. The rotation period of FGKM stars can thus be determined by performing a frequency analysis of their light curves.

Figure 7 shows the generalised Lomb-Scargle (GLS) periodograms (Zechmeister & Kürster 2009) of the ASAS-SN,

¹⁰ <https://dr6.lamost.org/>

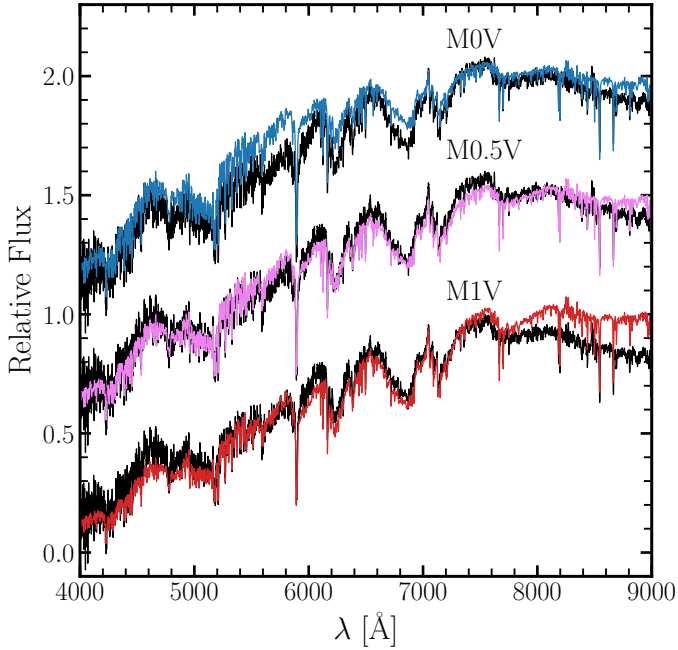


Fig. 6. Spectral type determination of TOI-1801. The black and coloured lines show the LAMOST spectra of TOI-1801 and the templates from SDSS, respectively.

MEarth, SuperWASP-North, TJO, e-EYE, LCOGT, and TESS time-series photometry of TOI-1801 (Sect. 3.4). The dashed blue lines mark the 0.1% false-alarm probability (FAP), which was estimated following the bootstrap method described by Murdoch et al. (1993), that is, by computing the GLS periodogram of 10^5 simulated time series obtained by randomly shuffling the photometric measurements and their uncertainties while keeping the time stamps fixed.

The ASAS-SN periodogram shows the highest peak at a frequency of $0.0621 \pm 0.0006 \text{ d}^{-1}$, corresponding to a period of $16.09 \pm 0.16 \text{ d}$, while the highest peak in the MEarth data sets is at $0.0627 \pm 0.0007 \text{ d}^{-1}$ ($15.94 \pm 0.18 \text{ d}$). Since SuperWASP-North observed TOI-1801 with two different cameras, camera 101 in 2004 and camera 141 between April 2006 and May 2007, we analysed the two data sets separately. The highest peak of the SuperWASP-North camera 101 periodogram occurs at $16.6 \pm 4.7 \text{ d}$ ($0.060 \pm 0.018 \text{ d}^{-1}$). The periodogram of SuperWASP camera 141 data has the strongest peak at about 99 d and a second strong peak at $7.981 \pm 0.025 \text{ d}$ ($0.1253 \pm 0.0004 \text{ d}^{-1}$), which is likely the first harmonic of the rotation period. The TJO periodogram has its highest peak at a frequency of $0.124 \pm 0.002 \text{ d}^{-1}$ ($8.08 \pm 0.13 \text{ d}$). The periodogram of e-EYE shows no significant peak, unlike that of the LCOGT, which shows a significant peak at $15.3 \pm 2.4 \text{ d}$ ($0.065 \pm 0.01 \text{ d}^{-1}$). In the TESS periodogram, the highest and most significant peak occurs at $7.93 \pm 0.26 \text{ d}$ ($0.126 \pm 0.004 \text{ d}^{-1}$). From these data, we conclude that TOI-1801 has a rotation period of $15.98 \pm 0.66 \text{ d}$, where the value and its error have been derived as the average of the most significant peaks in the GLS and the average of their FWHMs, respectively. The two vertical yellow bands in Fig. 7 indicate the regions in which most of the photometric time series have their highest GLS peaks, at about 16 d, and the first harmonic of the rotation period, that is, 8 d. We note that this period is consistent with the rotation period we recovered in our analysis of the stellar activity indicators (Sect. 5.2).

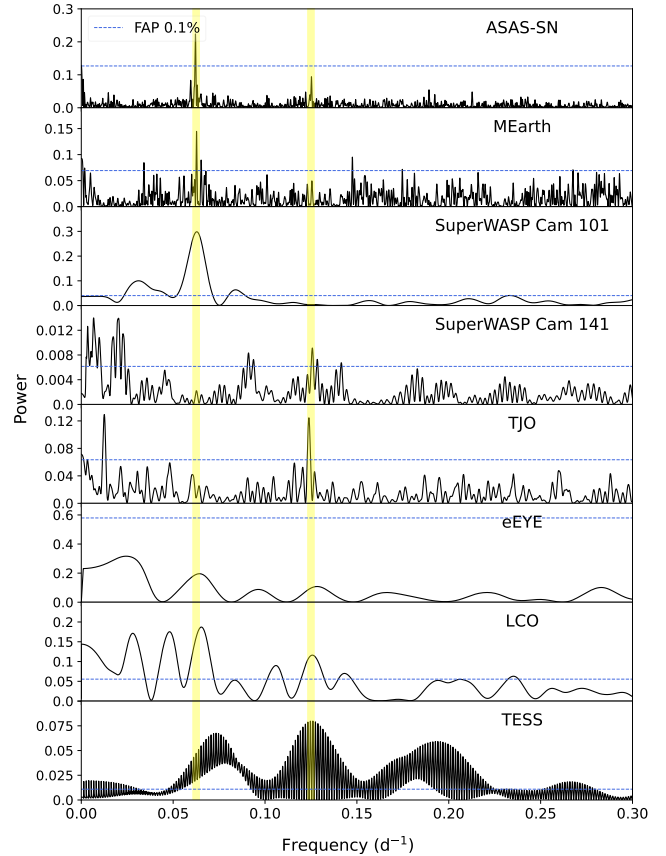


Fig. 7. GLS periodogram analysis of the photometric data for TOI-1801. In all panels, the two shaded vertical yellow bands indicate the stellar rotation period, centred at 0.0625 d^{-1} (16 days), and its first harmonic, centred at 0.125 d^{-1} (8 days). The dashed horizontal blue lines corresponds to the FAP level of 0.1%.

We furthermore performed a seasonal frequency analysis for which we split the data of different observational seasons to investigate the possibility of differential rotation. Figures B.1 and B.2 show the GLS periodogram of the ASAS-SN and MEarth photometric data, divided for each observing season. The dashed blue line marks the 0.1% FAP. The two vertical yellow bands indicate the regions around the stellar rotation period $\sim 16 \text{ d}$ and its first harmonic $\sim 8 \text{ d}$. Our analysis of the stellar rotation period for each season shows that the observed variation in the period of the signals around the rotation period are consistent between them within 1σ . Therefore, we conclude that there is no appreciable differentiable rotation in these data.

4.2. Wide companion

We searched for common proper motion companions to TOI-1801 in the *Gaia* DR3 catalogue up to a radius of 2 degrees. We imposed a restriction on the parallax with a range of 30–35 mas bracketing the parallax of TOI-1801 (Table 1). The query returned only two stars with similar parallaxes and proper motions in right ascension and declination: the known system composed of TOI-1801 and LP 375-24 (Weis 1991) at about 30 pc from the Sun, separated by $101.14''$. No other wide common proper motion star is identified down to the depth of *Gaia*, corresponding to a spectral type of approximately L2–3, which is close to the substellar boundary at the distance of TOI-1801.

We followed the same procedure to derive the spectral type of LP 375-24 as in Sect. 4. The LAMOST survey automatically classified the star as field dM4. Using the SDSS template spectra, we determined a spectral type of M4V for LP 375-24, with an uncertainty of one subtype (Fig. C.1). According to the spectral type-mass relation of Mamajek¹¹ based on Table 5 of Pecaut & Mamajek (2013), an M4 spectral type corresponds to effective temperatures of 3210 K, a radius of $0.274 R_{\odot}$, and a mass of $0.23 M_{\odot}$. The main stellar parameters for LP 375-24 can be found in Table C.1.

4.3. Age

Young stars can have a higher rotation rate because they still preserve angular momentum from their formation. As a consequence, they show high chromospheric activity and prominent coverage by spots. As they become older, stellar rotation slows down through magnetic mechanisms (Gallet & Bouvier 2015, and references therein). We estimated the age of the system TOI-1801 and its wide companion LP 375-24 using different age indicators such as kinematics, rotation period, and the near-UV (NUV) excess.

4.3.1. *UVW*

The kinematics, in particular the *UVW* galactocentric space velocities, allow us to know whether an object is associated with a moving group, a star formation region, or in a more general way, if the object belongs to the young disk. We found no previous association in the literature of TOI-1801 or LP 375-24 with any of these. Hence, we derived the *UVW* galactocentric space velocities using the *Gaia* astrometry as in Johnson & Soderblom (1987), that is, *U* is positive toward the Galactic centre, *V* is positive in the direction of Galactic rotation, and *W* positive toward the North Galactic Pole. The velocities can be found in Tables 1 and C.1 for TOI-1801 and LP 375-24, respectively, where both velocities are compatible with each other, which confirms a common origin of the two. The values for both stars indicate that the system displays young kinematics (<1 Gyr), and they could be consistent with the Hyades supercluster within 3σ (Fig. 8). Some authors indicated that the stars of this kinematic group could be associated with the Hyades cluster (Montes et al. 2001), which has an estimated age of between 600 and 800 Myr (Brandt & Huang 2015; Lodieu et al. 2018).

4.3.2. Gyrochronology

We derived the rotation period of TOI-1801 ($P_{\text{rot}} = 15.98 \pm 0.66$ d) from the multiple light curves described in Sect. 4.1. For LP 375-24, we used the light curves extracted from the quick-look pipeline (QLP; Huang et al. 2020; Kunimoto et al. 2021) that are available as high-level science products (HLSPs), and then we applied a GLS periodogram as for TOI-1801. From this, we obtained a rotation period of $P_{\text{rot}} = 1.30 \pm 0.06$ d (the phase-folded curve is depicted in Fig. C.2), which agrees with the value from the literature (Newton et al. 2016). Figure 9 shows the distribution of rotation periods as a function of colour $G-J$ for the clusters of the Pleiades (~ 125 Myr; Rebull et al. 2016), Praesepe (~ 590 Myr; Douglas et al. 2017), Hyades (~ 650 Myr; Douglas et al. 2019), and NGC 6811 (~ 1000 Myr; Curtis et al. 2019). TOI-1801 agrees with the members of

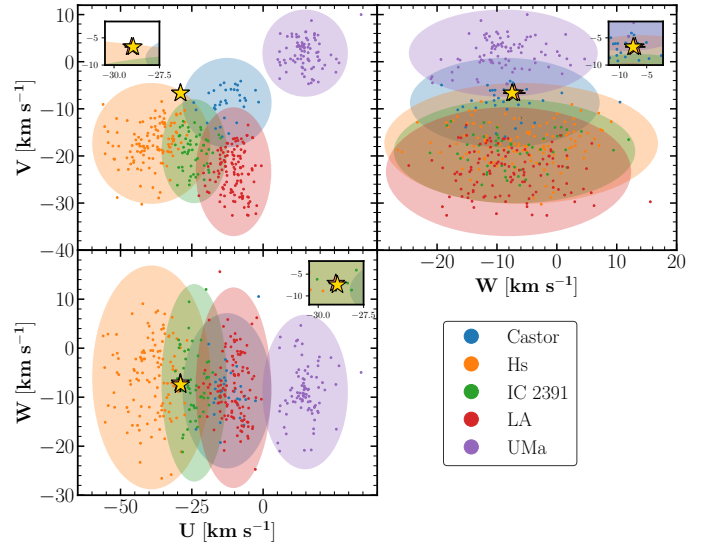


Fig. 8. *UVW* velocity diagram for TOI-1801 (gold star) and LP 375-24 (orange star). The members of the Castor moving group (200–400 Myr), the Hyades supercluster (Hs; 600–800 Myr), the IC 2391 supercluster (35–55 Myr), the Local Association (LA; 10–300 Myr), and the Ursa Major group (UMa; ~ 400 Myr) from Montes et al. (2001) are included. The ellipses represent the 3σ values of *UVW* for each young moving group. The inset in the upper left panel shows a zoom-in on the region with the stars. The locations of both stars agree with that of members of the Hyades supercluster.

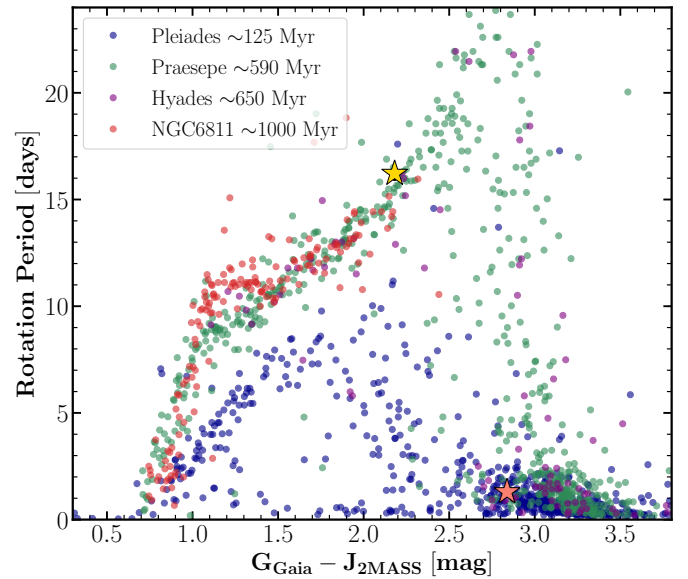


Fig. 9. Rotation period distribution as a function of colour $G-J$ for clusters in the Pleiades (~ 125 Myr; Rebull et al. 2016), Praesepe (~ 590 Myr; Douglas et al. 2017), Hyades (~ 650 Myr; Douglas et al. 2019), and NGC 6811 (~ 1000 Myr; Curtis et al. 2019). The gold star represents TOI-1801, and the orange star represents LP 275-24.

Praesepe, Hyades, and NGC 6811 (i.e. with an age in the range 590–1000 Myr), whereas LP 375-24 is consistent with members of the Pleiades, Praesepe, and Hyades (i.e. with an age in the range 125–650 Myr). Nevertheless, in the case of LP 375-24, the dependence of the rotation period on age is not a clear age criterion because the rotation is faster at low masses. Moreover, the scarcity of stars of NGC 6811 with spectral types similar to

¹¹ http://www.pas.rochester.edu/~emamajek/EEM_dwarf_UBVIJHK_colors_Teff.txt

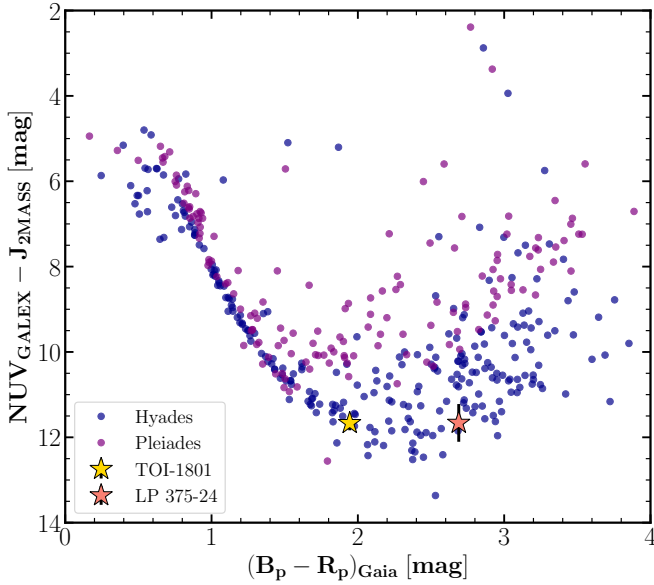


Fig. 10. Distribution of the $NUV - J$ colour as a function of colour $B_p - R_p$ for clusters in the Pleiades (~ 125 Myr; Olivares et al. 2018) and Hyades (~ 650 Myr; Röser et al. 2019). The gold and orange stars represent TOI-1801 and LP 375-24, respectively.

that of LP 375-24 did not allow us to set an older upper limit on the age of this star.

Various groups have widely used the distance-independent gyrochronology method (which is based solely on rotation periods and stellar colours) and the chromospheric method (which is based on the intensity of the Ca II H, and K emission) to date stars. Barnes (2007) calibrated the age dependence of the gyrochronology technique using the Sun, stars from known open clusters, and field stars with well-determined ages. These authors claimed that age errors associated with this technique are about 15% for solar-type stars and early-M dwarfs. By applying the calibration of Barnes (2007) to TOI-1801, we derived an age of 565 ± 75 Myr, which is fully consistent with what is derived from our colour-period diagram. Unfortunately, there are no $\log R'_{HK}$ (Ca II H, and K emission) measurements for TOI-1801 and LP 375-24. Therefore, the chromospheric method (e.g., Suárez Mascareño et al. 2015) cannot be applied to any of these stars.

4.3.3. NUV excess

The stellar UV (ultraviolet) emission can be an indicator of youth because it seems to decrease with age (Findeisen et al. 2011). We employed the NUV band of the GALEX all-sky catalogue (Bianchi et al. 2017) and Eq. (10) in Findeisen et al. (2011) and estimate the age of TOI-1801 to be of 500^{+720}_{-290} Myr. Unfortunately, the large dispersion in the $NUV - J$ colour versus $Gaia$ colours at low masses does not allow us to place a stringent constraint on the age of the wide companion. Similarly, Shkolnik et al. (2011) and Rodriguez et al. (2011) proposed a method for identifying young low-mass stars based on the flux ratio F_{NUV}/F_J or $m_{NUV} - m_J$ colour, respectively. Fig. 10 shows the difference between the UV magnitude (Bianchi et al. 2017) and NIR magnitude (Cutri et al. 2003) as a function of $B_p - R_p$ colour for members of the clusters in the Pleiades (Olivares et al. 2018) and Hyades (Röser et al. 2019). Our targets lie below the

sequence of the Pleiades (~ 125 Myr) and above the sequence of Hyades (~ 650 Myr) members.

All these indicators point towards an age older than 125 Myr and younger than or equal to 1 Gyr and most probably similar to the ages of the Praesepe and Hyades clusters. Therefore, we adopt an age of 600–800 Myr for the system TOI-1801 and LP 375-24 in the analysis below.

5. Analysis

5.1. Photometric analysis

5.1.1. Transit search

As mentioned before, young stars show high levels of stellar activity, which makes the detection of possible transits difficult. First of all, we modelled the photometric stellar activity using Gaussian process regression (GP; Rasmussen & Williams 2006), using the simple harmonic oscillator (SHO) kernel implemented in the celerite package (Foreman-Mackey et al. 2017), which has the form

$$k_{\text{SHO}}(\tau; \eta_{\sigma}, \eta_L, \eta_P) = \eta_{\sigma}^2 e^{-\frac{\tau}{\eta_L}} \left[\cos\left(\eta \frac{2\pi\tau}{\eta_P}\right) + \eta \frac{\eta_P}{2\pi\eta_L} \sin\left(\eta \frac{2\pi\tau}{\eta_P}\right) \right], \quad (1)$$

where $\tau \equiv |t_i - t_j|$ is the time difference between two data points, $\eta \equiv |1 - (2\pi\eta_L/\eta_P)^{-2}|^{1/2}$ and η_{σ} , η_L , and η_P are the hyperparameters that represent the standard deviation of the process, the decay timescale, and the period of the process (assumed to be the rotation period of the star), respectively. This kernel is defined in Eq. (1) as long as $\eta_P < 2\pi\eta_L$, a reasonable assumption in young stars where a clear quasi-periodic behaviour is observed in the time series. Moreover, our model also includes an instrumental offset (γ_{TESS}) for the TESS data set, as well as a jitter term ($\sigma_{\text{jitter,TESS}}$) that was added in quadrature to the error bars. We set uniform wide priors for η_P and η_L based on the stellar rotation period. However, GPs can be too flexible and can model transits as activity. To constrain our model, we therefore set the η_{σ} hyperparameter to ~ 4.9 ppt (the dispersion in TESS data) with a restrictive normal prior and fixed the jitter term to ~ 2.0 ppt (the maximum depth for the searched transit). With this set-up, the GP only models the stellar variability at longer timescales. To explore the parameter space, we applied the emcee¹² code (Foreman-Mackey et al. 2013) that uses a Markov chain Monte Carlo procedure (MCMC). Subsequently, we flattened the SAP light curve by subtracting the best activity model. Then, we searched for transits using the box least-squares periodogram (BLS; Kóvacs et al. 2002; Hartman & Bakos 2016). The main transit signal identified by the BLS lies at an orbital period of 10.6438 days, with three transits in sector 22 and two in sector 49. This confirms that the true orbital period is half the period on which the initial alert by TSO was based. Next, we masked out the signal, and we again applied the BLS algorithm to search for additional signals, but we did not find any significant signal. Finally, we visually inspected the light curve to find isolated transits, but we did not find variations compatible with them.

5.1.2. Transit-only fit

After the transit was identified, we proceeded to create our photometric model as a combination of stellar activity and one planetary transit signal. The stellar activity was modelled with a GP

¹² <https://github.com/dfm/emcee>

for the TESS data set (as in the previous section) and with a jitter term for the LCO and MuSCAT2 data. To model the planetary transit, we used PyTransit¹³ (Parviainen 2015), which requires the following parameters: the planet–star radius ratio (R_p/R_*), the quadratic limb-darkening coefficients (u_1 and u_2 , which were parametrised after Kipping (2013): q_1 , q_2), the time-of-transit centre (T_c), the orbital period (P), the semi-major axis divided by the stellar radius (a/R_* ; which depends on P , the stellar mass M_* , and the stellar radius R_* , according to the third Kepler law), the orbital inclination (i , which we sampled from impact parameter, b , and a/R_*), the eccentricity (e), and the argument of periastron (ω). Therefore, our final transit-only model samples the planetary parameters of T_c , P , R_p , and b . We also evaluated the possibility of non-circular orbits, including e and ω with the parametrisation proposed by Anderson et al. (2011; $\sqrt{e} \sin \omega$, $\sqrt{e} \cos \omega$). The stellar parameters are included as normal priors, and they are the M_* , R_* , and q_1 , q_2 (where the limb-darkening coefficients are different for each instrument, and the initial values were previously calculated using the Python limb darkening toolkit¹⁴ (PyLDTk; Parviainen & Aigrain 2015). An instrumental offset and a jitter term, included as free parameters, were added for each individual photometric band. The prior and posterior results are presented in Table 2. For TOI-1801 b we found $P = 10.64387 \pm 0.00006$ d, $T_c = 2458903.5435 \pm 0.0033$ d, $R_p = 2.08 \pm 0.12 R_\oplus$, and $b = 0.27 \pm 0.18$. The errors correspond to 1σ uncertainties.

To assess the impact of using TESS SAP fluxes instead of the PDCSAP fluxes, which are corrected for instrumental systematics and stellar crowding, we repeated the same analysis by employing the PDCSAP data that were previously flattened, as explained in Sect. 5.1.1. We note that the PDCSAP fluxes only have four planetary transits (see Sect. 2). The new planetary radius is $R_p = 2.13 \pm 0.11 R_\oplus$, that is, there is a difference of $0.05 R_\oplus$ between the SAP and PDCSAP fluxes. This is twice smaller than the quoted error bar. Therefore, we conclude that there is no significant stellar contamination in the TESS SAP fluxes of TOI-1801.

Finally, we determined the chromaticity of the transit using a different planetary radius parameter for each available filter from the different instruments used in our analysis. The results are shown along with their 1σ uncertainties in Table 3. All of them are consistent with an achromatic transit within their 1σ error bars.

5.2. Spectral stellar activity indicators

We inspected periodic signals in the stellar activity indicators of the CARMENES data generated by the `serval` pipeline and in the S index in the HIRES data set. The GLS periodograms were computed and are shown in Fig. 11. In the CRX periodograms, we see a non-significant signal (close to 10% of FAP) at ~ 8 days. For the $H\alpha$, Ca II, and Na I activity indices, all periodograms show a significant signal (lower in the case of Na I indices) centred between 15 and 17 days (marked as a vertical yellow band in Fig. 11), consistent with the stellar rotation period (Sect. 4.1). Lastly, the periodograms of dLW and the S index do not show any significant signal. The purple line in all panels indicates the transiting planetary signal, but no signal is seen in the activity indicators at this period. Furthermore, we computed the Pearson r coefficient to study the correlation between the CARMENES

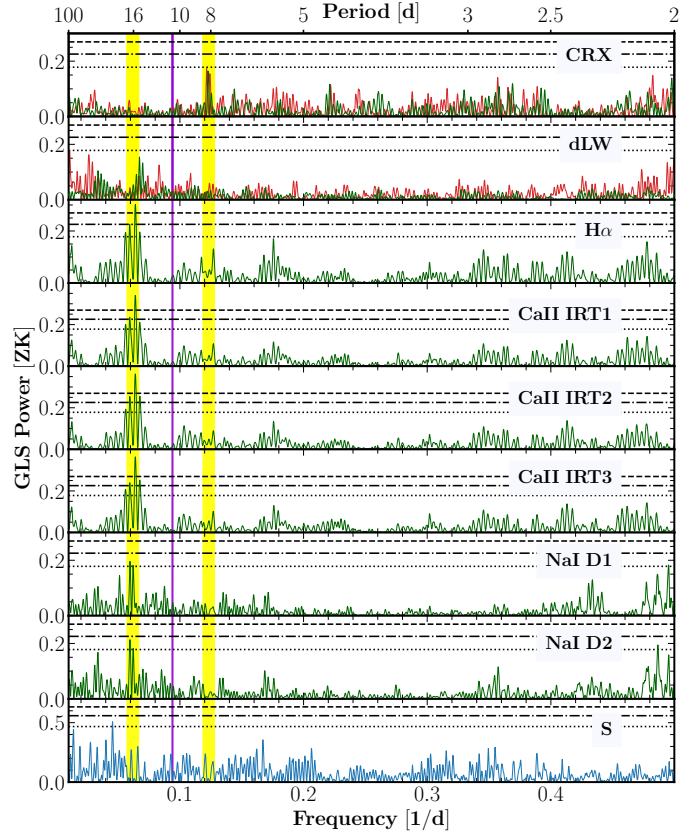


Fig. 11. GLS periodograms of the spectral activity indicators from CARMENES VIS (green) and NIR data (red), and the S index from HIRES data (blue). In all panels, the solid vertical purple line indicates the orbital period (10.64 d) of the planet, and the vertical yellow shaded bands indicate the rotation period derived from the combined photometry data sets and half the rotation period. The dashed horizontal black lines correspond to FAP levels of 10, 1, and 0.1% (from bottom to top).

RV data and the activity indicators. We found no significant correlation. In conclusion, the activity indices show a significant signal between 15 and 17 days that is compatible with the stellar rotation.

5.3. Radial velocity analysis

First of all, we determined whether our RV observations fell on transits, which could alter the measurements because of the Rossiter-McLaughlin (RM) effect (Rossiter 1924; McLaughlin 1924). Indeed, four CARMENES RVs were obtained during a transit event (BJD = 2 459 616.7499, 2 459 648.5406, 2 459 680.4698, and 2 459 712.3640). However, the expected upper limit of the semi-amplitude of the RM effect (Gaudi & Winn 2007) is $\sim 1.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$, which is less than the uncertainties in our measurements. For this reason, we decided to use all the available data. Overall, the final combined data set comprises 80 RV measurements from CARMENES VIS plus 68 from CARMENES NIR and 29 from HIRES.

We explored periodic signals in the CARMENES and HIRES data by computing GLS periodograms in the same way as for the activity indicators (Fig. 12). The first five panels (from top to bottom) show the RV periodograms of the CARMENES VIS and NIR data, HIRES data, and their combinations. In the first panel, the most significant signal is at ~ 8 d ($< 0.1\%$ FAP

¹³ <https://github.com/hpparvi/PyTransit>

¹⁴ <https://github.com/hpparvi/ldtk>

Table 2. Prior and posterior parameters for the transit-only fit and RV-only fit of TOI-1801 b.

Parameter	Prior	Posterior ($e = 0, \omega = \pi/2$)	Posterior (e, ω free)
Transit-only fit parameters			
T_c^b [BJD]	$\mathcal{N}(2\,458\,903.543, 0.05)$	$2\,458\,903.54346^{+0.00319}_{-0.00329}$	$2\,458\,903.54333^{+0.00337}_{-0.00340}$
P^b [d]	$\mathcal{N}(10.644, 0.05)$	$10.64387^{+0.00005}_{-0.00006}$	$10.64386^{+0.00005}_{-0.00006}$
R_p^b [R_{Jup}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$	$0.185^{+0.011}_{-0.010}$	$0.187^{+0.013}_{-0.011}$
b^b	$\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$	$0.265^{+0.181}_{-0.177}$	$0.349^{+0.220}_{-0.234}$
$(\sqrt{e} \sin \omega)^b$	$\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$	...	$-0.151^{+0.272}_{-0.294}$
$(\sqrt{e} \cos \omega)^b$	$\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$	...	$-0.018^{+0.542}_{-0.534}$
γ_{TESS} [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{TESS}}, 3\sigma_{\text{TESS}})$	$0.585^{+1.628}_{-1.554}$	$0.602^{+1.586}_{-1.534}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,TESS}}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{TESS}})$	$0.146^{+0.015}_{-0.015}$	$0.146^{+0.015}_{-0.015}$
$q_{1,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.2, 0.1)$	$0.288^{+0.097}_{-0.096}$	$0.292^{+0.098}_{-0.098}$
$q_{2,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.357^{+0.100}_{-0.099}$	$0.359^{+0.100}_{-0.099}$
$\gamma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s}, 3\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s})$	$-0.400^{+0.220}_{-0.218}$	$-0.410^{+0.219}_{-0.215}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,LCOGT } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s})$	$0.274^{+0.253}_{-0.188}$	$0.269^{+0.255}_{-0.186}$
$q_{1,\text{LCOGT } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.2, 0.1)$	$0.379^{+0.190}_{-0.181}$	$0.377^{+0.194}_{-0.175}$
$q_{2,\text{LCOGT } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.367^{+0.197}_{-0.185}$	$0.356^{+0.194}_{-0.182}$
$\gamma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'})$	$-0.101^{+0.135}_{-0.136}$	$-0.099^{+0.138}_{-0.138}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,MuSCAT2 } g'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'})$	$0.140^{+0.142}_{-0.098}$	$0.138^{+0.140}_{-0.097}$
$q_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.5, 0.1)$	$0.343^{+0.187}_{-0.173}$	$0.345^{+0.188}_{-0.175}$
$q_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.327^{+0.192}_{-0.177}$	$0.324^{+0.193}_{-0.173}$
$\gamma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'})$	$-0.090^{+0.090}_{-0.092}$	$-0.089^{+0.090}_{-0.092}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,MuSCAT2 } r'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'})$	$0.158^{+0.115}_{-0.104}$	$0.157^{+0.116}_{-0.104}$
$q_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.4, 0.1)$	$0.288^{+0.182}_{-0.163}$	$0.280^{+0.183}_{-0.161}$
$q_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.302^{+0.187}_{-0.169}$	$0.304^{+0.191}_{-0.172}$
$\gamma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s})$	$-0.042^{+0.102}_{-0.102}$	$-0.038^{+0.100}_{-0.103}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,MuSCAT2 } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s})$	$0.129^{+0.130}_{-0.090}$	$0.129^{+0.130}_{-0.090}$
$q_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.2, 0.1)$	$0.297^{+0.183}_{-0.163}$	$0.298^{+0.181}_{-0.164}$
$q_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.312^{+0.190}_{-0.170}$	$0.309^{+0.189}_{-0.173}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(5, 1)$	$5.417^{+0.742}_{-0.682}$	$5.385^{+0.728}_{-0.669}$
$\eta_{L,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{U}(2.5, 750)$	$4.430^{+1.885}_{-1.152}$	$4.426^{+1.890}_{-1.154}$
$\eta_{P_{\text{rot}}}$	$\mathcal{U}(12, 20)$	$15.410^{+2.268}_{-1.884}$	$15.324^{+2.298}_{-1.856}$
M_{\star} [M_{\odot}]	$\mathcal{N}(0.548, 0.048)$	$0.556^{+0.043}_{-0.035}$	$0.557^{+0.044}_{-0.036}$
R_{\star} [R_{\odot}]	$\mathcal{N}(0.542, 0.029)$	$0.547^{+0.024}_{-0.022}$	$0.547^{+0.027}_{-0.025}$
RV-only fit parameters			
T_c^b [BJD]	$\mathcal{N}(2\,458\,903.543, 0.05)$	$2\,458\,903.54104^{+0.05049}_{-0.04945}$	$2\,458\,903.53590^{+0.04954}_{-0.04970}$
P^b [d]	$\mathcal{N}(10.644, 0.05)$	$10.64503^{+0.00574}_{-0.00595}$	$10.63473^{+0.00860}_{-0.01002}$
K^b [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 50)$	$2.426^{+0.624}_{-0.619}$	$2.685^{+0.794}_{-0.702}$
$(\sqrt{e} \sin \omega)^b$	$\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$	...	$0.007^{+0.379}_{-0.368}$
$(\sqrt{e} \cos \omega)^b$	$\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$	...	$0.003^{+0.378}_{-0.375}$
$\gamma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}}, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}})$	$0.482^{+1.956}_{-2.003}$	$0.436^{+1.972}_{-2.102}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,CARMENES VIS}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}})$	$2.735^{+0.780}_{-0.757}$	$2.810^{+0.829}_{-0.790}$
$\gamma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}}, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}})$	$-0.130^{+2.557}_{-2.655}$	$-0.147^{+2.587}_{-2.644}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,CARMENES NIR}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}})$	$2.506^{+1.997}_{-1.690}$	$2.531^{+2.015}_{-1.712}$
γ_{HIRES} [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{HIRES}}, 3\sigma_{\text{HIRES}})$	$-2.189^{+2.025}_{-2.056}$	$-2.257^{+2.029}_{-2.067}$
$\sigma_{\text{jit,HIRES}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{HIRES}})$	$4.325^{+1.323}_{-1.378}$	$3.845^{+1.274}_{-1.210}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{CARMENES VIS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(6.3, 1.2)$	$5.900^{+0.974}_{-0.881}$	$5.847^{+0.978}_{-0.899}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{CARMENES NIR}}$	$\mathcal{N}(9, 2)$	$6.890^{+1.705}_{-1.614}$	$6.855^{+1.752}_{-1.625}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{HIRES}}$	$\mathcal{N}(6.3, 1.2)$	$5.823^{+1.034}_{-1.025}$	$5.857^{+1.039}_{-1.014}$
$\eta_{L,\text{RV}}$	$\mathcal{U}(2.5, 500)$	$109.615^{+72.006}_{-41.314}$	$111.358^{+92.562}_{-46.393}$
$\eta_{\omega,\text{RV}}$	$\mathcal{U}(0.1, 1.0)$	$0.294^{+0.064}_{-0.053}$	$0.300^{+0.068}_{-0.055}$
$\eta_{P_{\text{rot}}}$	$\mathcal{U}(12, 20)$	$16.043^{+0.073}_{-0.079}$	$16.045^{+0.081}_{-0.085}$
$\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$	...	-602.7	-605.3

Notes. The prior label of \mathcal{N} and \mathcal{U} represents the normal and uniform distribution, respectively.

Table 3. Posteriors and their 1σ uncertainties for planetary radii of TOI-1801 b in different filters.

Instrument	Filter	$R_p [R_\oplus]$
TESS	T	$2.06^{+0.13}_{-0.11}$
LCOGT	z_s	$2.20^{+0.34}_{-0.37}$
MuSCAT2	g'	$2.01^{+0.22}_{-0.24}$
MuSCAT2	r'	$2.08^{+0.18}_{-0.18}$
MuSCAT2	z_s	$2.09^{+0.17}_{-0.19}$
All	–	$2.08^{+0.12}_{-0.11}$

in the VIS and $\sim 1\%$ FAP in the NIR data sets; vertical yellow band), where the signal of the planet (10.64 d; purple line) is close to 10% FAP for the VIS data. In the second panel from the top, no significant signals are visible in the HIRES data alone. In the panels that combine the data sets (third, fourth, and fifth panels), the signal at half the rotation period is always present with a high significance. In addition, the signal of the planet increased ($< 0.1\%$ FAP) for the combination of CARMENES VIS and NIR data sets and decreased when we included the HIRES data. The next three panels show the window functions for these three data sets. To conclude, the combination of the CARMENES data shows the signal of the transiting planet (~ 10.64 d) and a signal that is related to half the stellar rotation period (~ 8.1 d) with high significance.

After the identification of the signals, we performed an RV-only fit by modelling the stellar activity in three ways. The first model only used a jitter term. The second model included a jitter term plus two sinusoidal functions centred on the rotation period and half of the rotation period. The last model used a jitter term plus a quasi-periodic (QP) kernel from Aigrain et al. (2012),

$$k_{\text{QP}}(\tau) = \eta_\sigma^2 \exp \left[-\frac{\tau^2}{2\eta_L^2} - \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{\pi\tau}{\eta_P}\right)}{2\eta_\omega^2} \right], \quad (2)$$

where τ , η_σ , η_L , and η_P are defined as in Eq. (1), and η_ω works as the balance between the periodic and non-periodic part of the kernel. The QP kernel has been widely used in the literature to model the stellar activity of young stars (Barragán et al. 2019, 2022; Klein et al. 2021; Cale et al. 2021; Zicher et al. 2022; Nardiello et al. 2022; Mallorquín et al. 2023). As in the photometric fit, we set normal priors on the covariance amplitudes to create a smooth model of the stellar activity. The planet signal was modelled as a circular Keplerian orbit with the RadVel¹⁵ package (Fulton et al. 2018). The Keplerian model parameters were T_c , P , and the RV amplitude of the planet (K), where the initial parameters of T_c and P were obtained from the transit-only fit (Sect. 5.1.2). The RV-only models also included an instrumental offset (γ_{RV}) and a jitter term added in quadrature to the error bars ($\sigma_{\text{jit,RV}}$). In addition, we also explored the possibility of not including a planetary signal in our models.

To evaluate different models, we used the rules defined by Trotta (2008) based on the Bayesian log-evidence ($\ln \mathcal{Z}$, calculated as by Díaz et al. 2016). The model with a larger log-evidence is strongly favoured if $|\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}| > 5$. However, if $2.5 < |\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}| < 5$, the evidence in favour of one of the models is moderate, it is weak if $1 < |\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}| < 2.5$, and it is indistinguishable if $|\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}| < 1$. Although no significant signals appear

¹⁵ <https://github.com/California-Planet-Search/radvel>

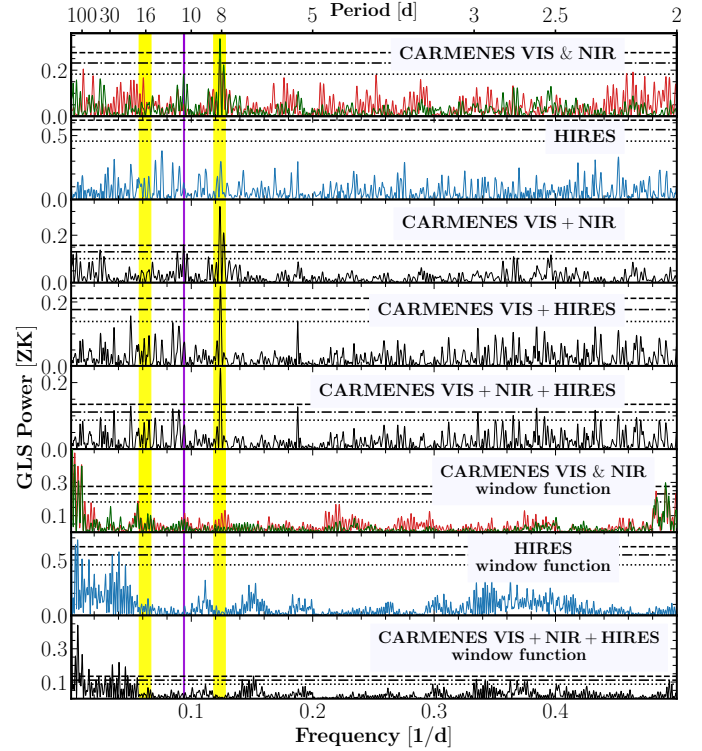


Fig. 12. GLS periodograms for CARMENES VIS (green line) and CARMENES NIR (red line) in the upper panel and for HIRES (blue line) in the second panel. The third, fourth, and fifth panels (from top to bottom) show different combinations for these data sets (black line). The last three panels show the window functions. In all panels, the solid vertical purple line indicates the transiting planetary signal (10.6 d), and the shaded vertical yellow bands indicate the stellar rotation period (15–17 d) and half the rotation period (8.1 d). The dashed horizontal black lines correspond to FAP levels of 105, 1, and 0.1% (from bottom to top).

in the GLS periodogram with the HIRES data alone, we explored the possibility of combining the HIRES data with CARMENES RVs. The results of a model comparison are provided in Table 4. The amplitude we obtained for the planet varies between 2.1 and 3.3 m s^{-1} , and all values are consistent within the error bars. The Bayesian log-evidence indicates that the models that include the planet are always favoured over those without a Keplerian model. Moreover, the best model in all the cases is obtained when the activity is modelled with GP. Finally, we considered as the best RV model the one with a Keplerian fit to the transiting planet and a GP model for the stellar activity obtained for the combined CARMENES VIS plus the CARMENES NIR and HIRES data sets ($K^b = 2.43 \pm 0.62 \text{ m s}^{-1}$). The planet is more significant when we included the CARMENES NIR data (Fig. 12). Furthermore, and although the HIRES data do not show any significant signal (probably due to the low number of measurements), the dispersion of the data and the error bars is comparable to that in the CARMENES data and adds more cadence to the time series. The planetary parameters for the RV-only fit including non-eccentric orbits are listed in Table 2, where the Bayesian log-evidence shows that the circular model is moderately better than with non-zero eccentricity.

5.4. Joint fit

Finally, we combined all the data from TESS, the ground-based transit follow-ups, CARMENES VIS, CARMENES NIR,

Table 4. Model comparison for RV-only analysis of TOI-1801 b using the difference between the Bayesian log-evidence ($\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$).

Data set	Activity model	K^b [m s ⁻¹]	$\Delta \ln \mathcal{Z}$
CARMENES VIS	jitter	...	-12.9
CARMENES VIS	jitter	3.25 ± 0.97	-10.7
CARMENES VIS	2 sin ($P_1 \sim 16$ d, $P_2 \sim 8$ d) + jitter	2.17 ± 0.89	-8.1
CARMENES VIS	GP (QP kernel) + jitter	...	-4.0
CARMENES VIS	GP (QP kernel) + jitter	2.60 ± 0.75	0
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CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR	jitter	...	-16.3
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR	jitter	3.25 ± 0.87	-12.7
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR	2 sin ($P_1 \sim 16$ d, $P_2 \sim 8$ d) + jitter	2.06 ± 0.76	-9.6
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR	GP (QP kernel) + jitter	...	-7.4
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR	GP (QP kernel) + jitter	2.58 ± 0.69	0
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CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR + HIRES	jitter	...	-22
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR + HIRES	jitter	2.85 ± 0.75	-18.2
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR + HIRES	2 sin ($P_1 \sim 16$ d, $P_2 \sim 8$ d) + jitter	2.08 ± 0.69	-13.7
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR + HIRES	GP (QP kernel) + jitter	...	-7.4
CARMENES VIS + CARMENES NIR + HIRES	GP (QP kernel) + jitter	2.43 ± 0.62	0

Notes. In the model name, “2 Sin” refers to two sinusoidal functions and their periods. All models assume circular orbits. The result in bold indicates the RV model we adopted.

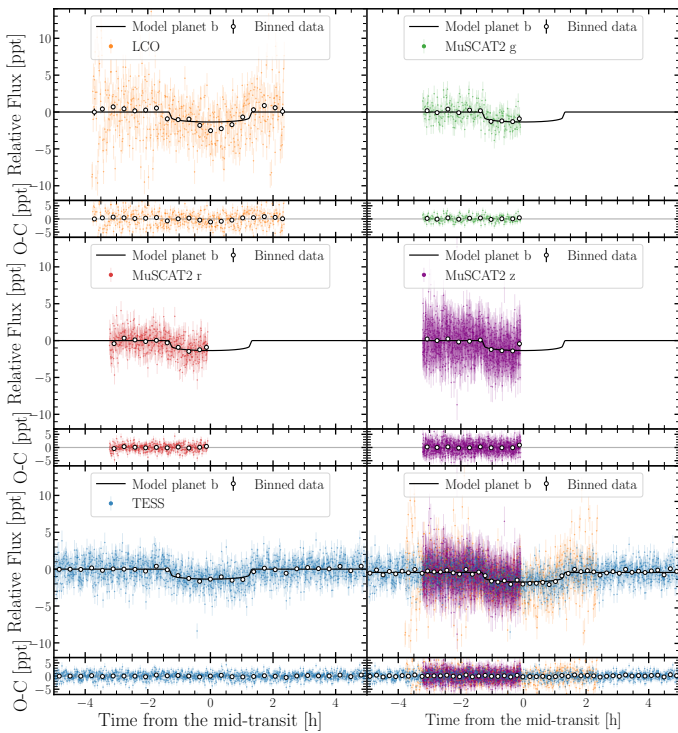


Fig. 13. Phase-folded light curves of TOI-1801 b for data of LCO z_s , MuSCAT2 g' , MuSCAT2 r' , MuSCAT2 z_s , TESS, and the combination of all them. In each sub-panel, the photometric data (coloured dots) are shown, along with the binned data (white dots), the best transit-fit model (black line) in the top, and the residuals for the best fit in the bottom.

and HIRES to obtain more precise parameters of the TOI-1801 system. Our global fit includes the photometric (Fig. 2) and RV stellar activity models (Fig. 4; Sects. 5.1.2 and 5.3, respectively), and transit (see the phase-folded transits in Fig. 13) and Keplerian models (the phase-folded RVs in Fig. 14) to obtain the planetary parameters. These planetary parameters are as follows:

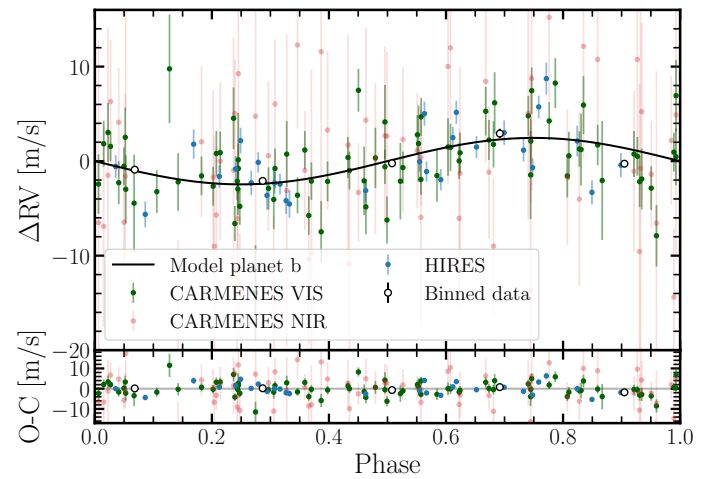


Fig. 14. Phase-folded RVs for TOI-1801 b. Top panel: CARMENES VIS, CARMENES NIR, and HIRES data (green, red, and blue dots, respectively), binned data (white dots), and the Keplerian model of the joint fit (black line). Bottom panel: residuals for the best fit. Due to the size of the error bars of CARMENES NIR, and in order to properly appreciate the Keplerian model of the planet, a zoom-in has been performed on y-axis of the figure, even when some CARMENES NIR points were out of the plot.

T_c and P are in common to all the data sets (with normal priors), b and R_p are in common to the photometry data sets (uniform priors), and K_p is in common in the RV data sets (uniform prior). In the hyperparameters that model the stellar activity, η_P is in common to TESS and the RV data sets, while η_L and η_ω are in common to the RV data sets. Therefore, the global model consists of a combination of a 10.6 d planet and activity, the former being computed for a circular orbit and an eccentric orbit (where e and ω also are in common to all the data sets). The priors and posterior results can be found in Table 5, and the derived parameters can be found in Table 6.

Table 5. Prior and posterior parameters of the joint fit for TOI-1801 b.

Parameter	Prior	Posterior ($e = 0, \omega = \pi/2$)	Posterior (e, ω free)
T_c^b [BJD]	$\mathcal{N}(2458903.543, 0.05)$	$2\,458\,903.54351^{+0.00325}_{-0.00331}$	$2\,458\,903.54335^{+0.00334}_{-0.00337}$
P^b [d]	$\mathcal{N}(10.644, 0.05)$	$10.64387^{+0.00005}_{-0.00006}$	$10.64387^{+0.00005}_{-0.00006}$
R_p^b [R_{Jup}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$	$0.186^{+0.011}_{-0.010}$	$0.186^{+0.011}_{-0.010}$
b^b	$\mathcal{U}(0, 1)$	$0.265^{+0.182}_{-0.179}$	$0.282^{+0.180}_{-0.189}$
K^b [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 50)$	$2.459^{+0.624}_{-0.612}$	$2.496^{+0.643}_{-0.638}$
$(\sqrt{e} \sin \omega)^b$	$\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$	...	$-0.012^{+0.201}_{-0.200}$
$(\sqrt{e} \cos \omega)^b$	$\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$	...	$-0.005^{+0.249}_{-0.245}$
γ_{TESS} [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{TESS}}, 3\sigma_{\text{TESS}})$	$0.672^{+1.659}_{-1.682}$	$0.620^{+1.704}_{-1.673}$
σ_{TESS} [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{TESS}})$	$0.146^{+0.015}_{-0.016}$	$0.146^{+0.015}_{-0.015}$
$q_{1,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.2, 0.1)$	$0.288^{+0.097}_{-0.097}$	$0.287^{+0.099}_{-0.097}$
$q_{2,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.359^{+0.098}_{-0.097}$	$0.359^{+0.097}_{-0.098}$
$\gamma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s}, 3\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s})$	$-0.391^{+0.218}_{-0.222}$	$-0.401^{+0.220}_{-0.219}$
$\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{LCOGT } z_s})$	$0.268^{+0.256}_{-0.184}$	$0.263^{+0.255}_{-0.181}$
$q_{1,\text{LCOGT } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.2, 0.1)$	$0.380^{+0.193}_{-0.180}$	$0.375^{+0.192}_{-0.180}$
$q_{2,\text{LCOGT } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.367^{+0.196}_{-0.187}$	$0.362^{+0.198}_{-0.185}$
$\gamma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'})$	$-0.102^{+0.134}_{-0.136}$	$-0.099^{+0.137}_{-0.138}$
$\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } g'})$	$0.132^{+0.140}_{-0.092}$	$0.137^{+0.143}_{-0.096}$
$q_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.5, 0.1)$	$0.342^{+0.184}_{-0.172}$	$0.350^{+0.185}_{-0.177}$
$q_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.329^{+0.191}_{-0.178}$	$0.321^{+0.192}_{-0.177}$
$\gamma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'})$	$-0.090^{+0.090}_{-0.092}$	$-0.092^{+0.091}_{-0.092}$
$\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } r'})$	$0.157^{+0.116}_{-0.103}$	$0.159^{+0.113}_{-0.104}$
$q_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.4, 0.1)$	$0.283^{+0.185}_{-0.161}$	$0.287^{+0.182}_{-0.161}$
$q_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.303^{+0.191}_{-0.167}$	$0.308^{+0.185}_{-0.172}$
$\gamma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s})$	$-0.041^{+0.104}_{-0.100}$	$-0.042^{+0.103}_{-0.102}$
$\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$ [ppt]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s})$	$0.125^{+0.126}_{-0.087}$	$0.130^{+0.130}_{-0.091}$
$q_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.2, 0.1)$	$0.300^{+0.186}_{-0.167}$	$0.298^{+0.184}_{-0.167}$
$q_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$	$\mathcal{N}(0.3, 0.1)$	$0.317^{+0.183}_{-0.169}$	$0.314^{+0.185}_{-0.169}$
$\gamma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}}, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}})$	$0.462^{+1.916}_{-2.062}$	$-0.492^{+1.967}_{-2.045}$
$\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES VIS}})$	$2.692^{+0.773}_{-0.748}$	$2.750^{+0.811}_{-0.781}$
$\gamma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}}, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}})$	$-0.146^{+2.528}_{-2.623}$	$-0.123^{+2.601}_{-2.671}$
$\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}}$ [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{CARMENES NIR}})$	$2.500^{+2.038}_{-1.712}$	$2.561^{+2.024}_{-1.738}$
γ_{HIRES} [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(-3\sigma_{\text{HIRES}}, 3\sigma_{\text{HIRES}})$	$-2.222^{+1.995}_{-2.036}$	$-2.250^{+2.013}_{-2.064}$
σ_{HIRES} [m s^{-1}]	$\mathcal{U}(0, 3\sigma_{\text{HIRES}})$	$3.945^{+1.253}_{-1.132}$	$3.951^{+1.256}_{-1.150}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(5, 1)$	$5.460^{+0.639}_{-0.541}$	$5.465^{+0.633}_{-0.533}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{CARMENES VIS}}$	$\mathcal{N}(6.3, 1.2)$	$5.906^{+0.974}_{-0.893}$	$5.882^{+1.003}_{-0.884}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{CARMENES NIR}}$	$\mathcal{N}(9, 2)$	$6.844^{+1.746}_{-1.627}$	$6.880^{+1.728}_{-1.602}$
$\eta_{\sigma,\text{HIRES}}$	$\mathcal{N}(6.3, 1.2)$	$5.783^{+1.023}_{-1.012}$	$5.840^{+1.020}_{-1.009}$
$\eta_{L,\text{TESS}}$	$\mathcal{U}(2.5, 750)$	$4.263^{+1.536}_{-1.025}$	$4.259^{+1.544}_{-1.033}$
$\eta_{L,\text{RV}}$	$\mathcal{U}(2.5, 500)$	$107.117^{+67.794}_{-40.286}$	$109.381^{+79.426}_{-43.783}$
$\eta_{P,\text{rot}}$	$\mathcal{U}(12, 20)$	$16.039^{+0.073}_{-0.082}$	$16.042^{+0.078}_{-0.084}$
$\eta_{\omega,\text{RV}}$	$\mathcal{U}(0.1, 1.0)$	$0.294^{+0.062}_{-0.054}$	$0.298^{+0.066}_{-0.054}$
M_{\star} [M_{\odot}]	$\mathcal{N}(0.548, 0.048)$	$0.556^{+0.042}_{-0.035}$	$0.556^{+0.042}_{-0.035}$
R_{\star} [R_{\odot}]	$\mathcal{N}(0.542, 0.029)$	$0.547^{+0.025}_{-0.023}$	$0.548^{+0.025}_{-0.024}$

Notes. The prior label of \mathcal{N} and \mathcal{U} represents the normal and uniform distribution, respectively.

Table 6. Derived parameters of the joint fit for TOI-1801 b.

Parameter	Posterior ($e = 0, \omega = \pi/2$)	Posterior (e, ω free)
R_p^b/R_\star	$0.034^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$	$0.034^{+0.001}_{-0.001}$
$R_p^b [R_\oplus]$	$2.079^{+0.124}_{-0.110}$	$2.084^{+0.129}_{-0.115}$
a^b/R_\star	$30.632^{+1.337}_{-1.378}$	$30.589^{+1.501}_{-1.436}$
$i^b [^\circ]$	$89.507^{+0.333}_{-0.362}$	$89.474^{+0.354}_{-0.352}$
e^b	0	$0.074^{+0.071}_{-0.050}$
$\omega^b [\text{rad}]$	$\pi/2$	$-0.108^{+2.327}_{-2.198}$
$M_p^b [M_\oplus]$	$5.738^{+1.455}_{-1.428}$	$5.789^{+1.535}_{-1.500}$
$\rho^b [\text{g cm}^{-3}]$	$3.701^{+1.217}_{-1.051}$	$3.712^{+1.278}_{-1.081}$
$T_{\text{eq}}^b (A = 0) [\text{K}]$	$493.7^{+15.1}_{-14.3}$	$493.9^{+15.6}_{-15.0}$
$T_{\text{eq}}^b (A = 0.6) [\text{K}]$	$392.6^{+12.0}_{-11.4}$	$392.7^{+12.4}_{-12.0}$
$u_{1,\text{TESS}}$	$0.374^{+0.127}_{-0.117}$	$0.372^{+0.129}_{-0.117}$
$u_{2,\text{TESS}}$	$0.144^{+0.112}_{-0.101}$	$0.144^{+0.114}_{-0.101}$
$u_{1,\text{LCOGT } z_s}$	$0.423^{+0.296}_{-0.236}$	$0.414^{+0.298}_{-0.232}$
$u_{2,\text{LCOGT } z_s}$	$0.147^{+0.232}_{-0.219}$	$0.150^{+0.231}_{-0.219}$
$u_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$	$0.355^{+0.260}_{-0.205}$	$0.351^{+0.264}_{-0.205}$
$u_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } g'}$	$0.180^{+0.226}_{-0.199}$	$0.189^{+0.230}_{-0.203}$
$u_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$	$0.294^{+0.233}_{-0.176}$	$0.299^{+0.234}_{-0.179}$
$u_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } r'}$	$0.186^{+0.212}_{-0.180}$	$0.180^{+0.221}_{-0.175}$
$u_{1,\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$	$0.320^{+0.242}_{-0.190}$	$0.308^{+0.240}_{-0.182}$
$u_{2,\text{MuSCAT2 } z_s}$	$0.176^{+0.210}_{-0.175}$	$0.182^{+0.216}_{-0.179}$

6. Discussion

6.1. Planet characterisation

TOI-1801 b is fully characterised with a planetary radius of $R_p^b = 2.08 \pm 0.12 R_\oplus$, a semi-amplitude of $K_p^b = 2.46 \pm 0.62 \text{ m s}^{-1}$, and a derived mass of $M_p^b = 5.74 \pm 1.46 M_\oplus$ with a 3.9σ detection. We derive a bulk density of $\rho^b = 3.70 \pm 1.22 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$. Assuming planetary albedos (A_{Bond}) in the 0.6–0.0 range, we calculate an equilibrium temperature (T_{eq}) of 390–490 K. Therefore, we classify TOI-1801 b as a sub-Neptune planet slightly warmer than the Earth, but less dense.

To estimate the prospects for atmospheric characterisation of TOI-1801 b, we followed the method established by Kempton et al. (2018). TOI-1801 b has a transmission spectroscopy metric (TSM) of 63^{+25}_{-16} , which is below the cut-off value of 92 defining the first quartile of targets for the *James Webb* Space Telescope (JWST) with the strongest predicted atmospheric detection. Nonetheless, simulated spectra obtained with TauREx3 (Al-Refaie et al. 2021) and ExoTETHyS (Morello et al. 2021) show absorption features larger than 100 parts per million (ppm) in case of an H₂-dominated atmosphere, which should be detectable with a single JWST transit observation, depending on the cloud coverage. A much flatter spectrum would be observed in case of a steam H₂O atmosphere, for which the predicted absorption features are 10–20 ppm.

6.2. Mass-radius diagram

We show a mass-radius diagram in Fig. 15 focused on the population of small planets ($R_p \leq 4 R_\oplus$), where known transiting planets (taken from the Extrasolar Planets Encyclopedia¹⁶) with

¹⁶ <http://exoplanet.eu/>

radius uncertainties better than 8% from the transit method and masses uncertainties better than 20% from the RV method are plotted as grey dots. We overplot as coloured dots all known planets orbiting stars younger than 900 Myr from our own collection, where the colour scale represents the age of the system. We represent the radius and mass of TOI-1801 b together with its uncertainty as green shaded regions with 1, 2, and 3σ significance. The left panel clearly shows that TOI-1801 b is the second-youngest planet with the smallest radius and lowest mass after the ultra-short-period planet TOI-1807 b (Nardiello et al. 2022).

In the two remaining panels, different internal composition models are shown from Zeng et al. (2019). They do not include an atmosphere in the central panel and include an atmosphere in the right panel. The $\sim 33\%$ error in the average bulk density is large, and this means that the planetary interior and atmospheric composition is compatible with several composition scenarios. In the centre panel, an Earth-like rocky composition of TOI-1801 b is ruled out with a confidence of 3σ if it does not have an atmosphere. The planet is compatible with a mix of silicates and water or even a pure rock/water composition. On the other hand, the models in the right panel are consistent with a maximum of 2% of H₂ in mass, while internally, the planet could be made up of rock, iron, and water, depending on the atmosphere.

6.3. TOI-1801 b within the context of M-dwarf planets

The physical properties of TOI-1801 b seem to be consistent with the bulk population of transiting planets orbiting low-mass stars as measured by Cloutier & Menou (2020) using *Kepler*/K2 data (Fig. 16). These authors argued that the positive slope measured in the period-radius space, opposite in sign to the one measured for Sun-like stars (Fulton & Petigura 2018; Martinez et al. 2019), could be an indication that thermally driven atmospheric mass loss may not be the dominant mechanism shaping the demographic properties of the super-Earth and sub-Neptune populations around low-mass stars. Although there is no consensus about the accuracy of this slope measurement for low-mass stars (see Van Eylen et al. 2021; Petigura et al. 2022; Luque & Pallé 2022, for different values), a number of studies have challenged the interpretation that the bimodal size distribution of sub-Neptune planets is a consequence of atmospheric evolution (rocky planets with or without large hydrogen-dominated atmospheres), rather attributing it to a difference in planet composition (planets with rocky or water-rich cores; e.g. Zeng et al. 2019; Venturini et al. 2020; Burn et al. 2021; Izidoro et al. 2022). In particular, for a refined sample of M-dwarf planets with precise and accurate bulk densities, Luque & Pallé (2022) showed that the apparent scarcity of small planets with radii between 1.5 and $2.0 R_\oplus$ is due to a combination of the rocky population having a maximum mass of $10 M_\oplus$ and the water worlds a minimum mass of $2\text{--}3 M_\oplus$ (Fig. 16). The bulk density of TOI-1801 b makes it consistent with this emerging population of water worlds orbiting M dwarfs having little or no primordial hydrogen-rich envelopes (Diamond-Lowe et al. 2022; Cadieux et al. 2022; Piaulet et al. 2023; Cherubim et al. 2023).

6.4. TOI-1801 b as a young planet

TOI-1801 b joins the sample of small young exoplanets with a measured radius, mass, and density (Fig. 15): AU Mic c, TOI-1807 b, TOI-179 b, K2-233 d, HD 63433 c, TOI-560 b and c, TOI-1099 b, K2-25 b, K2-100 b, and TOI-1201 b. These represent less than 10% of the total population of exoplanets shown

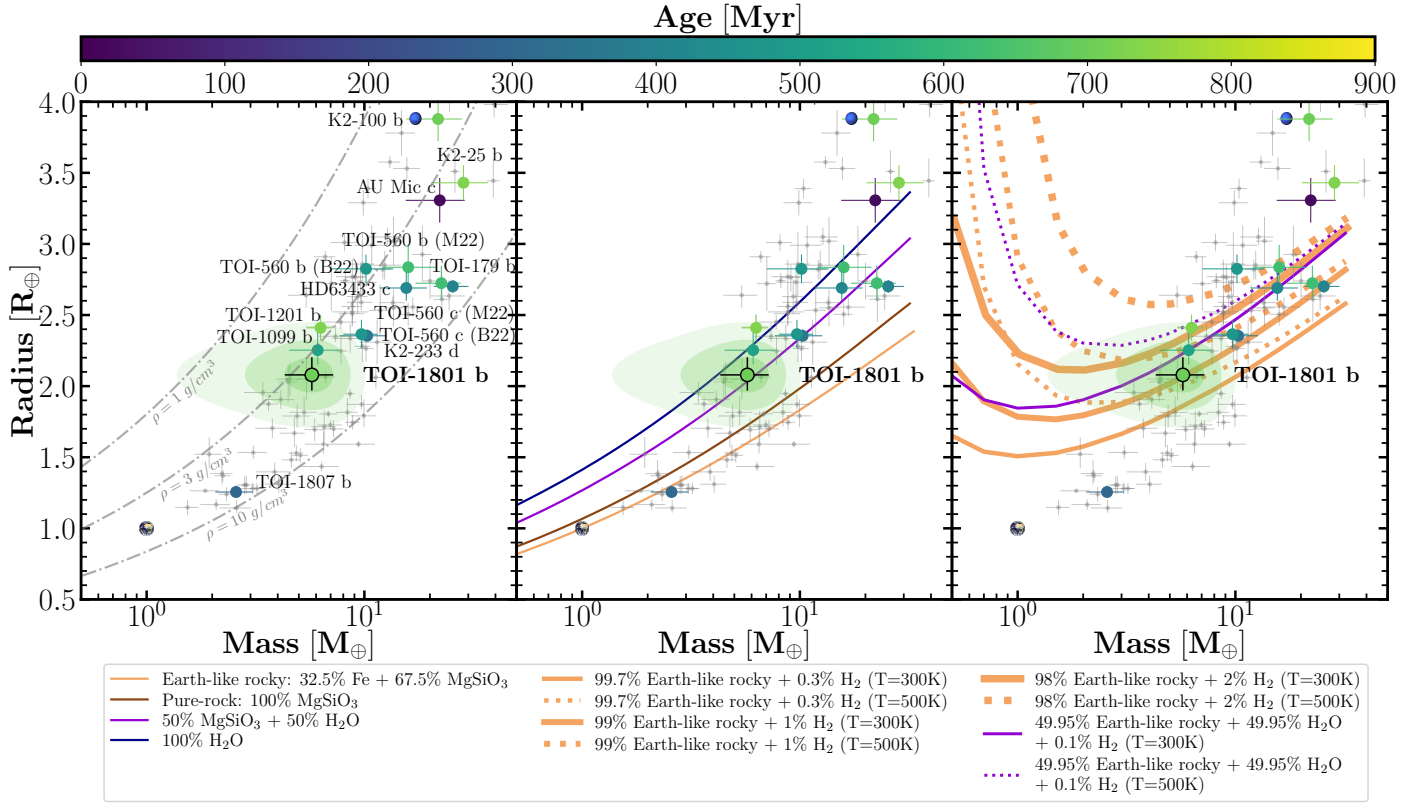


Fig. 15. Mass-radius diagram for TOI-1801 b, together with all known exoplanets (grey dots) with a precision better than 8% in radius (through transit) and 20% in mass (from RV). The population of young transiting exoplanets (<900 Myr) with measured masses is plotted as coloured dots, according to their ages. The uncertainties on TOI-1801 b are shown as coloured shaded regions with 1, 2, and 3 σ levels of confidence. In the left panel, the iso-density lines are displayed as dashed grey lines. In the remaining panels where the population of exoplanets is plotted along with TOI-1801 b, coloured lines indicate different composition models without gas (middle panel) and with a gas envelope (right panel) from Zeng et al. (2019). In the right panel, the solid and dotted lines show the models with temperatures of 300 and 500 K, respectively, of the corresponding specific entropy at 100 bar level in the gas envelope. The Earth and Neptune are also depicted as reference. We include B22 and M22 as references because different results have been published for the same planet, and this refers to Barragán et al. (2022) and El Mufti et al. (2023), respectively.

in the diagram. So far, the densities of young planets lie in the 1–10 g cm⁻³ range, although no young planet has been found with a mass lower than $\sim 5 M_{\oplus}$ and the density of Neptune. The population of young planets characterised so far, including TOI-1801 b, seems to follow the same distribution as the older planets.

Young planetary systems are ideal for observationally constraining models of planet formation and evolution. The measurement of radius and mass, and therefore, of internal composition, obtained in this work for TOI-1801 b, allows us to discuss it in this context. If TOI-1801 b is indeed a water-world (with a water-mass fraction close to 50%) without an envelope (or with an insignificant envelope), and it had a significant gaseous atmosphere when it formed. The lack of an atmosphere or the very thin atmosphere deduced from our measurements implies that evolutionary mechanisms have removed its atmosphere on timescales of hundreds of million years after it migrated inwards to its current location, and it lost its primordial hydrogen envelope by means of photo-evaporation (Owen & Wu 2017) or giant impacts (Wyatt et al. 2020) on a timescale shorter than 1 Gyr. A similar conclusion was drawn for HD 63433 c, a transiting planet with similar characteristics orbiting a ~ 400 Myr solar-type star (Mallorquín et al. 2023; Damasso et al. 2023).

Assuming an energy-limited approach, we can evaluate the mass-loss rate of TOI-1801 b due to XUV (X-ray+EUV,

1–920 Å) stellar irradiation. However, no X-ray observations of TOI-1801 have been reported to date. To approximate the value of the XUV irradiation, we can use the value of the rotation period to calculate the X-ray luminosity, following Wright et al. (2011), and then calculate the flux in two EUV ranges of interest by applying the relations of Sanz-Forcada et al. (2022). Following this procedure, we obtain $L_X(5\text{--}100 \text{ \AA}) = 1.2 \times 10^{28} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$, $L_{\text{EUV}}(100\text{--}920 \text{ \AA}) = 6.2 \times 10^{28} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$, and $L_{\text{EUV,He}}(100\text{--}504 \text{ \AA}) = 2.6 \times 10^{28} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$. The calculated X-ray luminosity implies a value of $\log L_X/L_{\text{bol}} = -4.3$, indicating a moderate to high level of activity, consistent with the upper limit of the estimated age. Finally, the calculated XUV stellar luminosity implies an approximate mass-loss rate in the atmosphere of TOI-1801 b of $0.08 M_{\oplus} \text{ Gyr}^{-1}$ following Sanz-Forcada et al. (2011, and references therein).

6.5. Star-planet interaction

We present here predictions for the radio emission that is expected to arise from magnetic star-planet interaction between the planet TOI-1801 b and its host star. The mechanism that causes this emission is the electron cyclotron maser (ECM) instability (Melrose & Dulk 1982), which can generate auroral

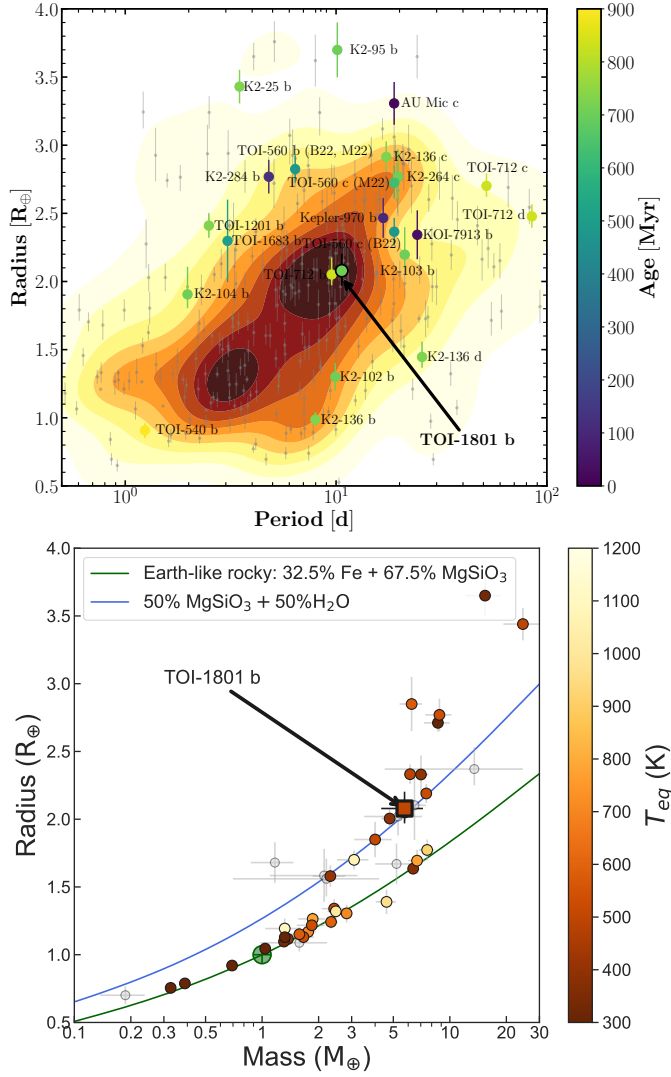


Fig. 16. Mass-period-radius diagram. Top: period-radius diagram with all known transiting planets around low-mass stars ($T_{\star, \text{eff}} < 4700$ K, $0.5 R_{\oplus} < R_p < 4 R_{\oplus}$, $1 \text{ d} < P_{\text{orb}} < 100 \text{ d}$, following Cloutier & Menou 2020). The contour lines represent the 2D distribution of the planet radius as a function of orbital period around low-mass stars, where the grey dots indicate each independent value. We overplot the population of young (< 900 My) transiting planets with dots, and colour represents the planet age. The position of TOI-1801 b is also marked. Bottom: mass-radius diagram of all known small planets with precisely measured masses ($M_p < 25\%$) and radii ($R_p < 8\%$), around M-type stars ($T_{\text{eff}} < 4000$ K) from Luque & Pallé (2022). Two theoretical composition models (Zeng et al. 2019) are plotted: an Earth-like composition (mass fractions of 32.5% iron and 67.5% silicates, green curve) and a planet consisting of 50% water-dominated ices and 50% silicates (blue curve). Planets are colour-coded by their equilibrium temperature. TOI-1801 b is marked with a square.

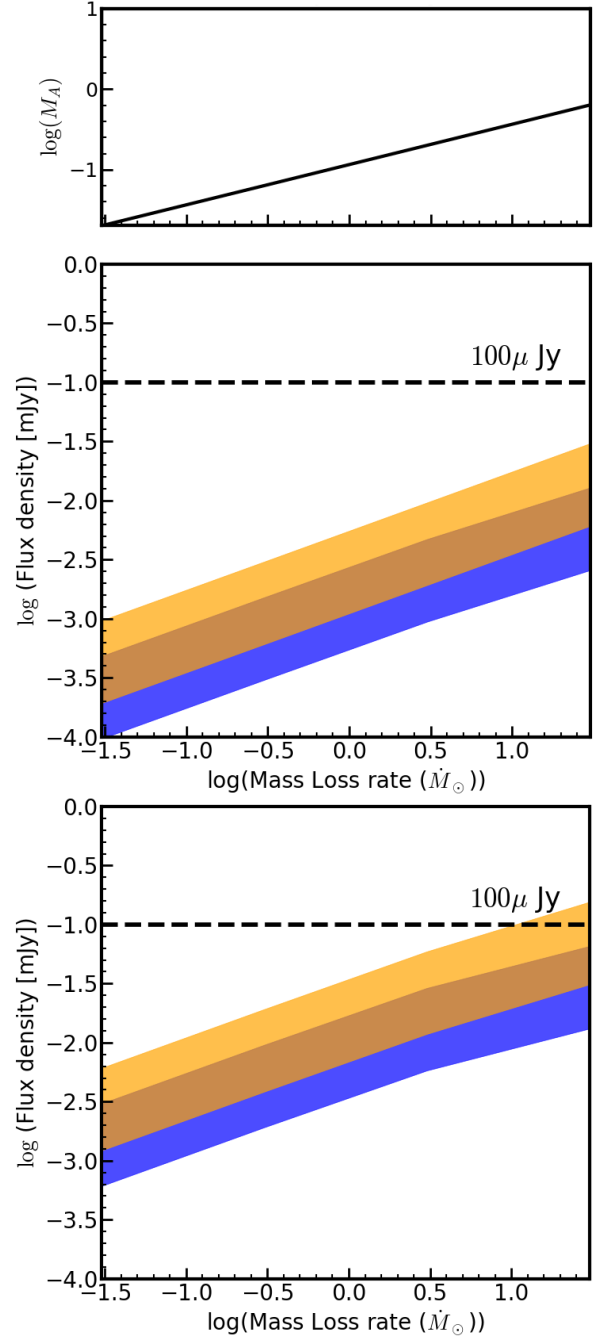


Fig. 17. Alfvén Mach number (upper panel) and flux density (for $B_{\text{pl}} = 0$ and 1 G for middle and lower panels, respectively) arising from SPI as a function of the stellar mass-loss rate (in solar units). The emission expected from Saur-Turnpenney’s model is shown in orange, and the emission expected from the Zarka-Lanz model is shown in blue. The overlap of the models is shown in brown. The dashed black line represents the assumed detection threshold of $100 \mu\text{Jy}$.

radio emission in both the planet and its host star. The characteristic frequency of this emission is given by the electron gyrofrequency, $\nu_G = 2.8 B$ MHz, where B is the local magnetic field in the source region, in Gauss. ECM emission is a coherent mechanism that can yield broadband ($\Delta \nu \sim \nu_G/2$) highly circularly polarized (sometimes reaching 100%) amplified non-thermal radiation.

Because the expected magnetic field of TOI-1801 b is unlikely to be more than just a few Gauss, the associated gyrofrequency falls below the ionosphere cut-off, and so it is not possible to detect radio emission from it. However, in the case of star-planet interaction, the radio emission instead arises from the magnetosphere of the host star, induced by the crossing of the stellar magnetosphere by the exoplanet, and the relevant magnetic field is that of the star, B_{\star} , which may be much larger. This

interaction is expected to yield detectable auroral radio emission via the cyclotron emission mechanism (e.g. Zarka 2007; Saur et al. 2013; Vedantham et al. 2020; Pérez-Torres et al. 2021) because the magnetic field is large enough for the electron gyrofrequency to frequently reach several hundred MHz or even the GHz regime, to which current radio interferometry facilities are very sensitive. The only prerequisite is that this interaction proceeds in the sub-Alfvénic regime, so that the energy that feeds the ECM emission is transported from the planet to the star.

We estimated the stellar magnetic field of TOI-1801 using the relations of Reiners et al. (2022). From this work, we have $P_{\text{rot}} = 15.98 \pm 0.66$ d. The rotation period is thus shorter than the critical period, defined by Reiners et al. (2014), $P_{\text{sat}} = 1.6 \times (L_{\text{bol}}/L_{\odot})^{-1/2}$ d, which is ~ 6.7 d. The resulting magnetic field is about 950 G, so that the ECM emission is expected to be detectable at about 2.7 GHz.

We used the models from Appendix B of Pérez-Torres et al. (2021) to estimate the ECM emission arising from sub-Alfvénic star-planet interaction, using two different magnetic field geometries: a closed dipolar geometry, and an open Parker spiral geometry. In both cases, the interaction between the planet and its host star occurs in the sub-Alfvénic regime, essentially because the planet is close to its host star. We assumed an isothermal wind with $T = 2 \times 10^6$ K and a solid angle covered by the ECM emission of 1.6 steradians.

We determined the expected radio flux density as a function of the mass-loss rate of the star and found that for the open Parker spiral, the radio emission was far too low in all plausible cases to yield any significant radio emission. In Fig. 17 we show the results for a closed dipolar geometry, both for a non-magnetized planet and for $B_{\text{pl}} = 1$ G. The shaded areas encompass the range of values from 0.01 up to 0.05 for the efficiency factor, ϵ , in converting Poynting flux into ECM radio emission, and we assumed a 5σ detection of ~ 100 μJy in both cases. If the planet is not magnetized (Fig. 17 middle panel), we do not expect to detect any significant radio emission due to star-planet interaction. Conversely, if the planet is magnetized (Fig. 17 lower panel), with a magnetic field several times that of the Earth, it is possible to detect emission arising from star-planet interaction if the mass-loss rate of TOI-1801 is also similar to that of the Sun, or even higher. The mass-loss rate of the star should be at least $2 \dot{M}_{\odot}$ for a clear radio-emitting signal. While the prospects for a radio detection of star-planet interaction in this system are not promising, we note that a detection of this radio emission could be used to constrain the mass-loss rate of the star and the magnetic field of the planet.

7. Conclusions

We presented the validation and characterisation of TOI-1801 b, a mini-Neptune orbiting a moderately young M0.5 V star with a period of 10.6 days. We simultaneously fit the TESS light curves with CARMENES and HIRES high-resolution spectroscopy data, and we determined a radius of $2.08 \pm 0.12 R_{\oplus}$ and a mass of $5.74 \pm 1.46 M_{\oplus}$, resulting in a bulk density of 3.70 ± 1.22 g cm⁻³. In addition, and using the *Gaia* astrometry, we confirmed that TOI-1801 has a wide (~ 3000 AU) M4V companion, LP 375-24, forming a young system whose age has been constrained from several age indicators to the range of 600–800 Myr.

According to theoretical models and the observational results found by Luque & Pallé (2022), the planet TOI-1801 b is mostly made of silicates and water, perhaps with a gaseous envelope with less than 2% of H₂ by mass. Our results suggest that if

TOI-1801 b most probably formed beyond the ice line and had a larger atmosphere in the past, it has already lost most of it during its 600–800 Myr life time. This result favours rapid evolutionary mechanisms of mass loss, such as photo-evaporation.

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Appendix A: Radial velocity data

Table A.1. continued

Table A.1. RV data from CARMENES VIS.

Time [BJD]	RV [m s ⁻¹]	σ [m s ⁻¹]
2459244.7009	2.86	3.13
2459247.6372	5.41	3.50
2459249.7038	-4.47	4.05
2459250.5704	-2.54	3.04
2459264.6986	-1.26	2.70
2459265.5968	0.45	2.44
2459266.5624	-6.49	2.25
2459278.6018	10.33	3.26
2459295.5650	6.02	3.80
2459299.5185	-7.02	2.05
2459300.6209	-12.85	3.14
2459301.4828	-16.30	3.25
2459302.4694	-3.84	3.20
2459307.5801	-12.73	3.26
2459308.5734	-5.50	3.61
2459334.5737	0.33	3.91
2459336.4071	8.17	2.56
2459338.4429	-0.50	2.14
2459339.4163	-6.70	2.31
2459340.3770	-5.05	2.28
2459341.4571	-1.92	3.05
2459342.4889	-3.62	1.86
2459346.4100	4.67	2.51
2459354.4050	-0.49	2.02
2459355.3798	4.43	2.27
2459356.4524	0.75	2.09
2459358.5112	1.08	4.66
2459359.3980	5.05	1.88
2459360.3908	4.98	2.44
2459363.4402	2.13	2.39
2459364.3888	-6.61	2.22
2459367.4516	-1.47	2.78
2459368.3975	4.54	2.12
2459370.4566	-3.32	6.29
2459372.4031	-1.91	2.00
2459386.4085	-6.42	2.04
2459387.4150	-3.26	3.63
2459388.4044	1.43	4.04
2459390.4002	6.53	2.11
2459391.4041	8.93	3.06
2459392.3836	4.75	2.05
2459393.4016	8.81	3.12
2459560.7477	5.17	2.37
2459576.7076	0.30	2.76
2459595.6807	10.73	1.57
2459597.6748	3.90	2.22
2459603.6574	10.01	2.02
2459608.6485	2.74	2.63
2459610.6421	6.33	2.18
2459612.6807	9.20	2.14
2459614.6311	-5.73	2.28
2459616.7499	-9.26	3.14
2459618.6230	3.78	2.05
2459620.6209	-1.45	1.98
2459622.6130	-5.79	1.62

Time [BJD]	RV [m s ⁻¹]	σ [m s ⁻¹]
2459632.6398	-13.40	2.49
2459634.5765	7.02	2.44
2459640.5604	1.52	2.01
2459648.5406	-0.20	3.78
2459672.5104	3.84	4.96
2459680.4698	-5.36	3.02
2459685.4754	-6.84	2.91
2459695.4228	-7.67	2.12
2459699.5636	14.81	2.63
2459705.5196	-2.77	1.91
2459707.4364	0.80	1.69
2459712.3640	-3.23	2.07
2459715.4000	-7.16	5.02
2459718.4110	4.13	2.01
2459720.4219	11.08	2.45
2459722.4232	-3.59	3.22
2459724.4797	13.26	5.74
2459726.3978	-1.45	2.10
2459728.3969	-3.73	1.82
2459730.3920	11.67	3.24
2459734.4793	-4.22	5.12
2459736.4023	-1.25	1.95
2459738.3955	-3.39	2.00
2459740.3907	2.42	1.90
2459742.3866	0.20	2.53

Table A.2. RV data from CARMENES NIR.

Time [BJD]	RV [m s ⁻¹]	σ [m s ⁻¹]
2459244.7014	-0.35	8.71
2459247.6376	-1.23	16.48
2459250.5705	11.28	12.46
2459264.6973	-8.03	17.70
2459265.5961	-4.86	10.65
2459278.6015	3.37	14.03
2459296.6471	2.00	22.07
2459299.5183	-1.79	9.19
2459300.6205	-16.01	7.60
2459301.4819	9.75	19.42
2459302.4690	0.67	7.99
2459307.5801	-10.41	16.07
2459308.5727	15.17	11.26
2459336.4067	9.24	8.57
2459338.4424	6.79	9.27
2459339.4175	-6.86	5.67
2459340.3768	0.32	5.74
2459341.4556	-20.55	13.15
2459342.4881	9.87	5.69
2459346.4093	16.29	7.64
2459350.4255	2.54	6.80
2459354.4054	-5.16	6.30
2459355.3801	-9.33	5.21
2459356.4504	-3.22	6.09
2459358.5106	-9.09	21.45
2459359.3975	1.62	9.19
2459360.3900	3.85	8.51
2459363.4395	-3.72	7.24

Table A.2. continued

Time [BJD]	RV [m s ⁻¹]	σ [m s ⁻¹]
2459364.3872	-0.32	7.96
2459368.3971	-0.69	7.03
2459372.4024	-11.64	4.61
2459386.4081	-14.77	8.97
2459390.3998	8.32	11.23
2459391.4038	17.54	11.93
2459392.3833	15.92	11.63
2459393.4017	3.55	15.56
2459533.7039	-10.70	11.73
2459560.7482	4.45	6.75
2459576.7081	-4.21	8.10
2459595.6809	12.10	6.50
2459597.6763	0.96	8.33
2459603.6575	17.91	8.76
2459608.6495	10.22	8.70
2459610.6425	8.70	11.64
2459612.6805	2.77	11.21
2459614.6313	-2.48	7.16
2459616.7494	-11.70	19.27
2459618.6229	0.77	7.98
2459620.6211	-7.02	19.39
2459622.6124	-9.04	11.59
2459632.6387	-3.10	8.93
2459634.5770	-11.12	7.18
2459640.5596	-12.38	10.73
2459680.4703	-1.40	14.68
2459685.4748	4.23	9.81
2459695.4219	1.48	8.40
2459705.5195	13.04	8.86
2459707.4365	6.99	7.64
2459712.3644	-20.05	7.26
2459715.4004	3.72	20.20
2459718.4107	-3.67	5.00
2459720.4216	2.64	11.86
2459722.4227	8.57	9.34
2459726.3976	9.30	6.84
2459728.3966	-2.71	9.43
2459736.4025	-19.96	5.51
2459738.3948	-8.50	12.92
2459740.3904	-3.20	9.41

Table A.3. RV data from HIRES.

Time [BJD]	RV [m s ⁻¹]	σ [m s ⁻¹]
2459162.1275	-6.51	1.51
2459182.0809	6.91	1.56
2459188.0805	-5.17	1.21
2459189.0566	-4.35	1.64
2459208.0827	2.13	1.14
2459209.0163	2.13	1.29
2459215.0592	1.82	1.28
2459268.9138	-10.91	1.41
2459314.0047	6.79	1.28
2459376.7999	-3.83	1.14
2459377.7809	0.99	1.06
2459378.8137	3.10	1.16
2459379.8349	-1.69	1.00
2459384.7819	-1.69	1.18
2459385.7866	-3.17	1.15
2459388.8091	-7.86	1.13
2459395.8121	1.44	1.36
2459406.7769	-1.10	1.08
2459538.1061	8.26	1.20
2459541.0984	-7.09	1.28
2459543.0925	-12.06	1.36
2459566.0240	-4.93	1.37
2459592.9620	13.59	1.70
2459598.9348	-10.31	1.45
2459739.7976	-5.39	1.07
2459741.8376	-0.48	1.19
2459742.8058	-12.17	1.27
2459744.7889	-6.67	1.21
2459747.7768	-4.78	1.10

Table A.4. RV data of iSHELL.

Time [BJD]	RV [m s ⁻¹]	σ [m s ⁻¹]
2458986.8506	-36.33	9.56
2459002.7771	-49.22	8.55
2459004.7726	-55.76	10.14
2459014.7949	-40.91	9.72
2459016.7501	-42.07	7.23
2459021.7473	-18.39	10.77
2459022.7458	-56.44	7.84
2459217.1352	-22.12	8.01
2459220.1138	-27.07	5.24
2459221.1090	-28.66	7.15
2459233.0900	4.01	9.60
2459255.0838	-11.64	8.42
2459257.0615	-18.93	7.67
2459261.1317	-2.92	10.57
2459319.9487	-57.88	8.37
2459320.9520	-55.76	9.77
2459321.9525	-41.00	10.31
2459322.9070	-68.26	7.68
2459328.8462	-37.31	7.52
2459362.8718	-5.05	13.48
2459363.8252	18.53	12.47
2459370.8613	17.83	29.97
2459371.7731	-10.27	21.07

Appendix B: Rotation period: Seasonal analysis

Figures B.1 and B.2 show the seasonal analysis of the stellar rotation period in the ASAS-SN photometry data from 2014 to 2019 and in MEarth photometry from 2012 to 2015.

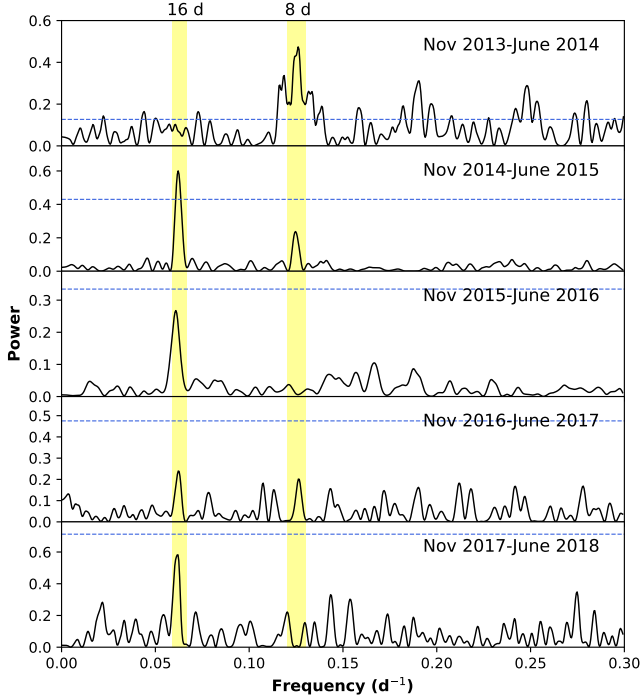


Fig. B.1. GLS periodogram analysis of ASAS-SN photometry. In all the panels, the two shadow vertical yellow bands indicate the stellar rotation period (15–17 days) and its first harmonic. The dashed horizontal blue line corresponds to FAP levels of 0.1%.

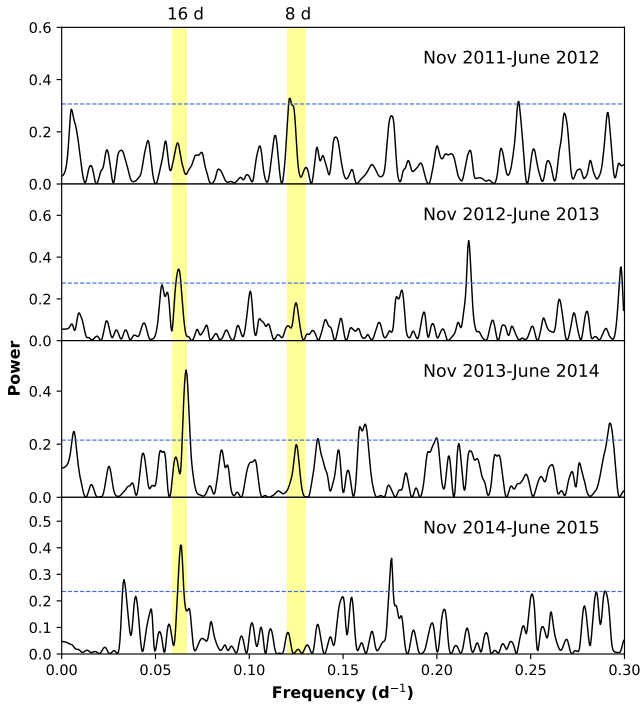


Fig. B.2. GLS periodogram analysis of MEarth photometry. In all the panels, the two shadow vertical yellow bands indicate the stellar rotation period (15–17 days) and its first harmonic. The dashed horizontal blue line corresponds to FAP levels of 0.1%.

Appendix C: Wide companion

Figures C.1 and C.2 show the spectral determination of LP 375-24 by comparison with the SDSS templates and the determination of its stellar rotation period from the TESS light curves, respectively. The retrieved stellar parameters are given in Table C.1.

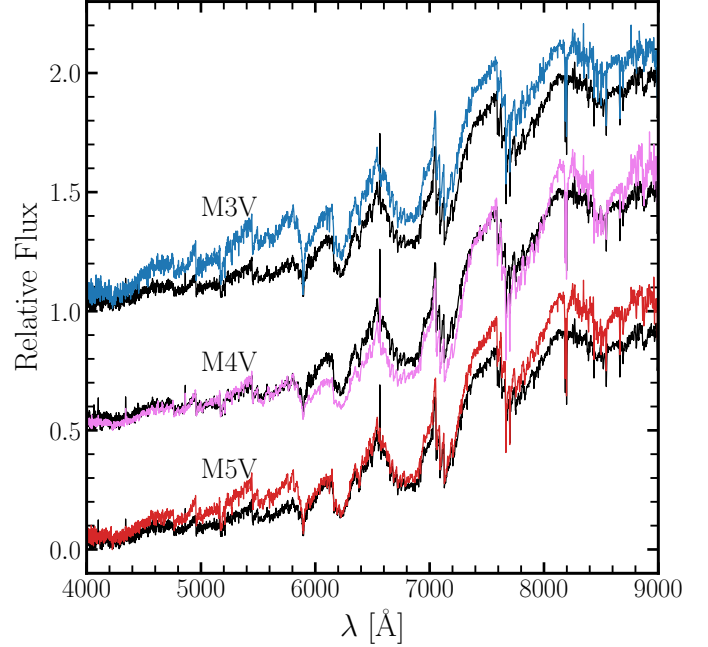


Fig. C.1. Spectral type determination of LP 375-24. The black and coloured lines show the LAMOST spectra of LP 375-24 and the templates from SDSS, respectively.

Table C.1. Stellar parameters of LP 375-24.

Parameter	Value	Reference
Name	LP 375-24	Luy79
	TIC 119584394	TIC
α (J2016)	11:42:21.0	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
δ (J2016)	+23:03:14.8	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
Sp. type	M4V \pm 1V	This work
ϖ [mas]	32.404 \pm 0.023	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
d [pc]	30.893 \pm 0.020	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
RUWE	1.197	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
T_{eff} [K]	3210 \pm 100	This work
M_{\star} [M_{\odot}]	0.279	Newton16
R_{\star} [R_{\odot}]	0.285	Newton16
$v \sin i$ [km s $^{-1}$]	11.0	Newton16
P_{rot} [d]	1.30 \pm 0.06	This work
U [km s $^{-1}$]	−29.03 \pm 0.39	This work
V [km s $^{-1}$]	−6.66 \pm 0.37	This work
W [km s $^{-1}$]	−7.10 \pm 1.87	This work
Gal. population	Young disk	This work
Age [Myr]	600–800	This work
NUV [mag]	22.017 \pm 0.442	GALEX
B_p [mag]	14.691 \pm 0.004	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
G [mag]	13.193 \pm 0.003	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
R_p [mag]	12.002 \pm 0.004	<i>Gaia</i> DR3
J [mag]	10.355 \pm 0.020	2MASS

References. Luy79: Luyten (1979); TIC: Stassun et al. (2019); *Gaia* DR3: *Gaia* Collaboration (2016, 2023); Newton16: Newton et al. (2016); GALEX: Bianchi et al. (2017); 2MASS: Skrutskie et al. (2006).

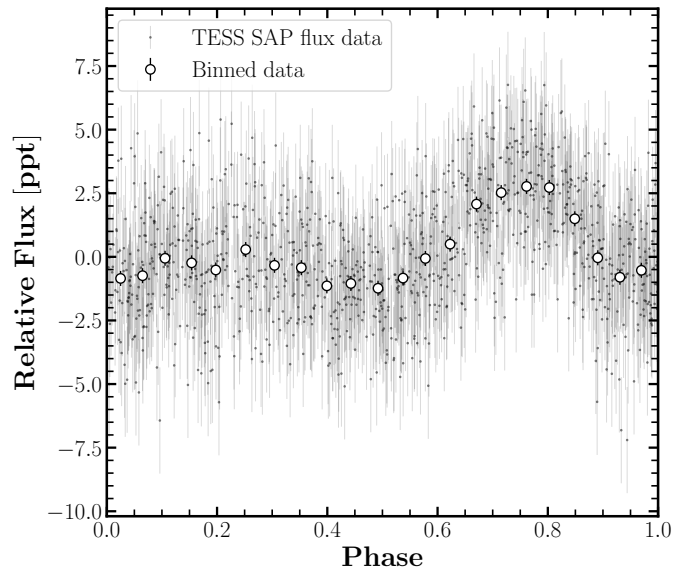


Fig. C.2. TESS phased-folded light curve of LP 375-24 in sector 22 and sector 49 at the period of 1.30 days.