The interesting case of HD41248 stellar activity, no planets?

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Planet-metallicity correlations

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Metallicity is one of the most important ingredients in planet formation



 Stars hosting giant planets are systematically metal-richer than non-hosts Gonzalez (1998); Santos et al. (2001, 2004b); Sousa et al. (2011b) The interesting case of HD41248

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 No metallicity trend is observed for stars with lower mass planets
Udry et al. (2006); Sousa et al. (2011); Mayor et al. (2011); Alibert et al. (2013)

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Started an ESO Large Program to search for Neptunes and super-Earths orbitting low-metallicity stars

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A metal-poor, solar-type star

Spectral type	G2V
m_v	8.82
B - V	0.62
Parallax [mas]	19.11 ± 0.71
Distance [pc]	52 ± 2
M_v	5.23
$L[L_{\odot}]$	0.70
$\log R'_{\rm HK}$	-4.90
$P_{\rm Rot}$ [days]	20 ± 3
<i>v</i> sin <i>i</i> [km s ⁻¹]	1.0
$T_{\rm eff}$ [K]	5713 ± 21
$\log g$	4.49 ± 0.05
[Fe/H]	-0.37 ± 0.05
Mass $[M_{\odot}]$	0.94 ± 0.02
Radius $[R_{\odot}]$	0.92 ± 0.06



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A metal-poor, solar-type star with a pair of resonant Super-Earths (?)

Two Super-Earths Orbiting the Solar Analogue HD41248 on the edge of a 7:5 Mean Motion $\operatorname{Resonance}^1$

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ABSTRACT

The number of multi-planet systems known to be orbiting their host stars with orbital periods that place them in mean motion resonances is growing. For the most part, these systems are in first-order resonances and dynamical studies have focused their efforts towards understanding the origin and evolution of such dynamically resonant commensurabilities. We report here the discovery of two super-Earths that are close to a second-order dynamical resonance, orbiting the metal near (|Red||=0.41 ALPEs arehing CQV star HD11248. We analyzed 62 HAPEs arehing

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Jenkins et al. (2013)

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A peak at 18d is also seen in the BIS of the HARPS CCF

Close to the estimated rotation period (too much?)

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The 18d signal

A metal-poor, solar-type star with a pair of resonant Super-Earths (?)



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- Peak at 25d is now dominant
- No sign of a strong 18d period

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The 25d signal



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The 18d "planet" should be detected

It is not an effect of the time sampling

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Conclusions

- The 25d period is almost exactly reproduced in the log R'_{HK} and the FWHM of the HARPS CCF
- The 18d period is not successfully recovered in the new data
- We propose the observed signals may be caused by different active regions in a star presenting strong differential rotation

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- ► Bayesian ≠ always correct! It all depends on your model

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