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# Discovery of an inflated hot Jupiter around a slightly evolved star TOI-1789

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## ABSTRACT

We report here the discovery of a hot Jupiter at an orbital period of  $3.208664 \pm 0.000015$  days around TOI-1789 (TYC 1962-00303-1,  $TESS_{mag} = 9.1$ ) based on the TESS photometry, ground-based photometry, and high-precision radial velocity observations. The high-precision radial velocity observations were obtained from the high-resolution spectrographs, PARAS at Physical Research Laboratory (PRL), India, and TCES at Thüringer Landessternwarte Tautenburg (TLS), Germany, and the ground-based transit observations were obtained using the 0.43 m telescope at PRL with the Bessel-*R* filter. The host star is a slightly evolved ( $\log g_* = 3.943^{+0.023}_{-0.043}$ ), late F-type ( $T_{\text{eff}} = 5991 \pm 55$  K), metal-rich star ( $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.373^{+0.071}_{-0.086}$  dex) with a radius of  $R_* = 2.168^{+0.036}_{-0.034} R_{\odot}$  located at a distance of  $223.53^{+0.91}_{-0.90}$  pc. The simultaneous fitting of the multiple light curves and the radial velocity data of TOI-1789 reveals that TOI-1789 b has a mass of  $M_p = 0.70 \pm 0.16 M_J$ , a radius of  $R_p = 1.44^{+0.24}_{-0.14} R_J$ , and a bulk density of  $\rho_p = 0.28^{+0.14}_{-0.12} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$  with an orbital separation of  $a = 0.04882^{+0.00063}_{-0.0016}$  AU. This puts TOI-1789 b in the category of inflated hot Jupiters. It is one of the few nearby evolved stars with a close-in planet. The detection of such systems will contribute to our understanding of mechanisms responsible for inflation in hot Jupiters and also provide an opportunity to understand the evolution of planets around stars leaving the main sequence branch.

**Key words:** planets : hot Jupiters, individual: TOI-1789, techniques: photometry, Doppler spectroscopy.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

Hot Jupiters have set several firsts, from being the first kind of exoplanets discovered with the Radial Velocity (RV) method (51 Peg; Mayor & Queloz 1995), to being also the first kind of transiting systems studied for precise radii and orbits (HD 209458 b; Charbonneau et al. 2000; Henry et al. 2000). These systems have intrigued the theorists triggering a critical revision of planet formation theories. Two theories have been used the most to explain close-in giant planets. These are the in-situ formation by gravitational instability (Boss 1997; Durisen et al. 2007) or core accretion followed by inward migration (Perri & Cameron 1974; Chabrier et al. 2014). Gravitational instability envisions the formation of giant planets via the fragmentation of proto-planetary disk into bound clumps (Boss 1997). In the case of core accretion, the giant planet is formed at several AUs beyond the so-called ice-line where sufficient solid material is present to form the core, and then it migrates inward. The

migration is caused by either torques from the proto-planetary disk or by gravitational scattering due to a third body. This can shrink the orbital separation of the planet from their formation location of several AUs to hundredths of AUs (Lin & Papaloizou 1986; Hamers & Tremaine 2017; Baruteau et al. 2014). One may refer Dawson & Johnson (2018) for a detailed review on the formation mechanism of hot Jupiters. Although a large number of close-in giant planets have been detected, this is largely a bias effect due to the ease in detecting them (high RV amplitude, short periods). The true frequency of close-in planets is only  $\sim 1\%$  (Johnson et al. (2010b); Mayor et al. (2011); Hsu et al. (2019) and references therein).

Space-based transit surveys like CoRoT (Baglin et al. 2006), Kepler (Borucki et al. 2010) and TESS (Ricker et al. 2015) have not only increased the number of discovered hot Jupiters, but their high photometric precision has allowed for the determination of the most precise planet radii and densities. These surveys have revealed that hot Jupiters tend to have inflated radii, typically 10 – 50% larger than that of Jupiter (Hartman et al. 2012; Espinoza et al. 2016; Soto et al. 2018; Raynard et al. 2018; Tilbrook et al. 2021). In

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some of the systems, heat is known to slow down the contraction of the planet (Showman & Guillot 2002; Komacek & Youdin 2017). Several mechanisms have been proposed to explain this inflation, one being star-planet tidal interactions (Bodenheimer et al. 2003) and the other in which kinetic energy from the wind is converted into heat (Guillot & Showman 2002) and Ohmic dissipation (Batygin & Stevenson 2010). The most likely mechanism responsible for such inflation is the large incident stellar irradiation (Laughlin et al. 2011; Thorngren & Fortney 2018). However, this process alone is not enough to explain the inflation. It was suggested by Showman & Guillot (2002) that energy is dissipated by atmosphere circulation due to the transport of kinetic energy to the interior of planets which could additionally be contributing to the process of inflation (Baraffe et al. 2003). Evolved stars provide higher source of radiation due to their larger sizes compared to their solar analogues. There are only a handful of systems with giant stars harbouring planets interior to 0.5 AU (eg. Lillo-Box et al. 2014; Jones et al. 2015; Ortiz et al. 2015). Thus, it is imperative to look at stars which might be leaving the main sequence phase and entering the sub-giant/giant branch. It is interesting to catch these stars in an evolutionary phase that has yet not caused the engulfment of its orbiting planet. There have been only a handful of such close-in planets discovered as of now orbiting around slightly evolved stars, e.g., KELT-12 b (Stevens et al. 2017) and TOI-640 b (Rodríguez et al. 2021) to name a few.

In this paper, we present the discovery of a hot Jupiter around a star TYC 1962-00303-1 or TESS Object of Interest TOI-1789, an important contribution to this field of relatively rare kinds of planets around slightly evolved stars. We use spectroscopic, photometric, and imaging data to confirm the nature of this transiting candidate and to characterize the planet in terms of its mass, radius and density. All the observations are described in Section 2 of the paper. In Section 3, we focus on the host star and characterization of the star-planet system in detail with the joint modeling of transit photometry and RVs. In Section 4, we discuss the implications of our results with summarizing the paper in Section 5.

## 2 OBSERVATIONS

### 2.1 TESS Photometry

TYC 1962-00303-1 is a relatively bright star ( $V = 9.7$  mag) in the northern celestial hemisphere, first listed as TOI-1789 on March 12, 2020. This source was observed by TESS between Jan 21 and Feb 18, 2020 (27.3 days time span) with a gap of  $\sim 2$  days due to the data transferring from the spacecraft. TESS operates at a wavelength region of 600 to 1000 nm and covers  $21''$  of sky in each pixel (Ricker et al. 2015). It has four identical cameras with a  $24^\circ \times 24^\circ$  field of view for each camera. TOI-1789 was observed in the CCD-4 of camera 1 in sector 21 in a long cadence (30 minutes) mode.

The data were analyzed with the Quick Look Pipeline (QLP: Huang et al. 2020) developed by MIT and the Science Processing Operations Center (SPOC: Jenkins et al. 2016) pipeline, based on the Kepler mission pipeline at the NASA Ames research center. Both pipelines detected eight transits with a depth of  $\sim 2600$  ppm for TOI-1789 spaced at a period of  $\sim 3.21$  days and a duration of  $\sim 2.3$  hours. The transit data is also vetted by the TESS Science team before releasing it as a planetary candidate. The transits are reported to be V-shaped and a slight centroid offset in the target position. We adopt the Pre-search Data Conditioning Simple Aperture Photometry (PDCSAP) light curves (Stumpe et al. 2014; Smith et al. 2012), provided by the SPOC pipeline, which is publically available at the

**Table 1.** Basic Stellar Parameters for TOI-1789

Parameter	Description (unit)	Value	Source
$\alpha_{J2000}$	Right Ascension	09 30 58.42	(1)
$\delta_{J2000}$	Declination	26 32 23.98	(1)
$\mu_\alpha$	PM in R.A. (mas yr $^{-1}$ )	$-7.977 \pm 0.019$	(1)
$\mu_\delta$	PM in Dec (mas yr $^{-1}$ )	$-39.401 \pm 0.015$	(1)
$\pi$	Parallax (mas)	$4.474 \pm 0.0181$	(1)
$G$	<i>Gaia</i> G mag	$9.584 \pm 0.0002$	(1)
$T$	TESS T mag	$9.182 \pm 0.006$	(2)
$B_T$	Tycho B mag	$10.422 \pm 0.039$	(3)
$V_T$	Tycho V mag	$9.788 \pm 0.031$	(3)
$B$	APASS B-mag	$10.335 \pm 0.020$	(6)
$V$	APASS V-mag	$9.686 \pm 0.030$	(6)
$g$	SDSSg mag	$10.353 \pm 0.100$	(6)
$r$	SDSSr mag	$9.590 \pm 0.060$	(6)
$i$	SDSSi mag	$9.398 \pm 0.020$	(6)
$J$	2MASS J mag	$8.672 \pm 0.024$	(4)
$H$	2MASS H mag	$8.410 \pm 0.021$	(4)
$K_S$	2MASS $K_S$ mag	$8.345 \pm 0.018$	(4)
W1	WISE1 mag	$8.297 \pm 0.023$	(5)
W2	WISE2 mag	$8.348 \pm 0.02$	(5)
W3	WISE3 mag	$8.311 \pm 0.024$	(5)
W4	WISE4 mag	$7.996 \pm 0.226$	(5)

Other Identifiers:

HD 82139<sup>7</sup>  
 TIC 172518755<sup>2</sup>  
 TYC 1962-00303-1<sup>3</sup>  
 2MASS J09305841+2632246<sup>4</sup>  
*Gaia*EDR3 646125297938578944<sup>1</sup>

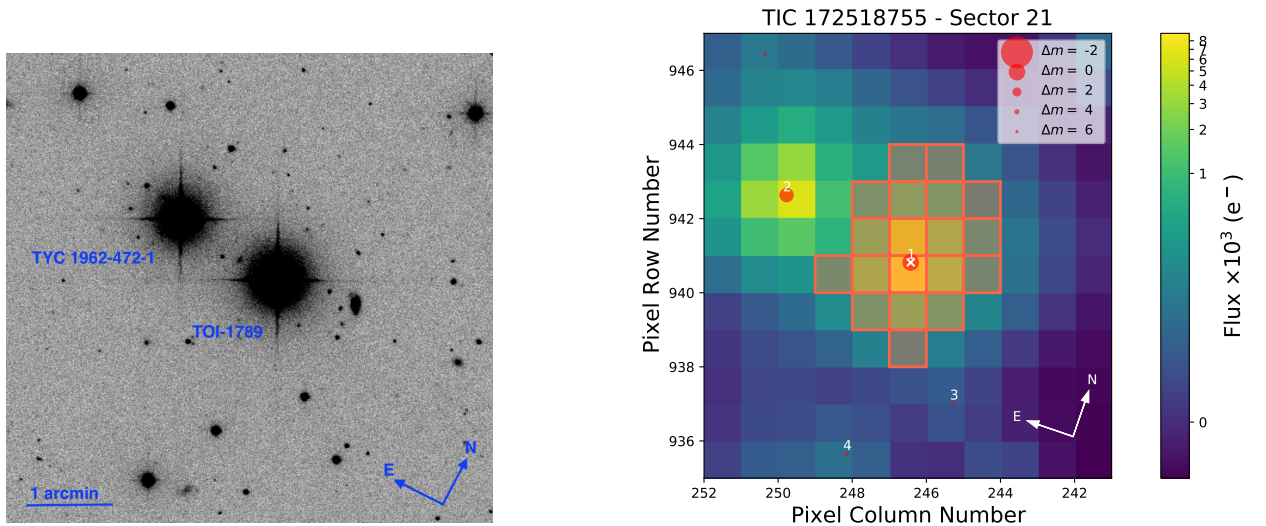
**Note:** The spectral type for TOI-1789 reported by SIMBAD is K0, however with our spectral analysis we find it to be a late F-type star (see Section 3.1.1 and Section 4.1).

**References.** (1) Gaia Collaboration et al. (2021), (2) Stassun et al. (2018), (3) Høg et al. (2000), (4) Cutri et al. (2003), (5) Cutri et al. (2021), (6) Henden et al. (2016), (7) Cannon & Pickering (1993)

Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes (MAST)<sup>1</sup>. We applied the Box Least-Square (BLS; Kovács et al. 2002) periodogram to detect the transits in the TESS light curve using PDCSAP fluxes. We successfully retrieved the transit signal at a period of 3.2076208 with a depth of  $2610 \pm 220$  ppm. To search for additional transit signals we removed this 3.2076208 days signal from the data and re-ran the BLS periodogram. We did not find any other significant peaks. For further analysis, we use median-normalized PDCSAP fluxes that are additionally detrended by fitting a high-order polynomial over out-of-transit data using the *lightkurve* package (Lightkurve Collaboration et al. 2018). The basic properties of the star found in the literature are listed in Table 1.

The system is reported to be a widely separated visual binary with the secondary star TYC 1962-475-1 of similar spectral type and brightness (see Figure 1), and with an orbital separation of 17776 AU (1.3' separation on the sky) (Andrews et al. 2017). The Renormalised Unit Weight Error (RUWE) number from the *Gaia* catalog for the target star is 0.948, a value  $\sim 1$ , indicative that a single-star model is used as the best fit for astrometric observations (Gaia Collaboration et al. 2021).  $\text{RUWE} > 1.4$  could indicate a binary nature for the astrometric solution used in *Gaia*. The on-sky separation for these two sources is larger than the TESS pixel scale of  $21''$ .

<sup>1</sup> <https://mast.stsci.edu/portal/Mashup/Clients/Mast/Portal.html>



**Figure 1.** *Left panel:* The SDSS (DR7) image of TOI-1789 and its visual binary companion (TYC 1962-472-1) in *sloan-i* band<sup>3</sup>. *Right panel:* Target pixel file (TPF) of TOI-1789 in TESS sector 21 generated with *tpfplotter* (Aller et al. 2020). The sizes of individual red dots represent the magnitude contrast ( $\Delta m$ ) with TOI-1789. The red-squared region represents the aperture used for photometry by SPOC and the position of TOI-1789 and TYC 1962-472-1 is labelled as ‘1’ and ‘2’, respectively.

Based on the Kepler manual (Thompson et al. 2016), these PD-CSAP fluxes are corrected for any contamination from neighboring pixels. However, due to the V-shape, short transit duration ( $\sim 2$  hrs), and the long cadence data (30 min), the transit shape, transit duration, and the planetary radius can not be determined precisely. There is also a small centroid offset in the target’s position given in the TESS data validation report. We, therefore, conducted short-cadence ( $\sim 20$ s) ground-based transit observations to precisely obtain the transit parameters and to understand and verify the nature of the transits detected by TESS (see Section 2.2).

## 2.2 Ground-based Photometry

We acquired ground-based transit follow-up observations for TOI-1789 with the 0.43 m telescope (CDK17 from PLANEWAVE)<sup>4</sup> located at Gurushikhar Observatory, PRL, Mt. Abu, India. Five transits were observed between January 08, 2021 and March 10, 2021 as summarised in Table 2. The first three transits were observed using a low-cost TRIUS PRO-814 (TRI) CCD<sup>5</sup> which provides a field of view (FOV) of  $14.6' \times 11.7'$  with a pixel scale of  $0.26''$ . For the last two transits an ANDOR iKon-L 936 (ADR) CCD<sup>6</sup> was used, which has an FOV of  $32' \times 32'$  with a pixel scale of  $0.95''$ . The telescope was slightly defocused while observing these events to have longer exposure times, which resulted in high SNR and thus, helped in achieving higher photometric precision. All the transits were observed in the Bessel-*R* passband and the main specifications of both the CCDs are listed in Table 3. The use of ANDOR iKon-L 936 CCD in precision differential photometric observations is well established as the same kind of CCD detectors are used in various transit surveys like the SuperWASP (Pollacco et al. 2006) and the SPECULOOS

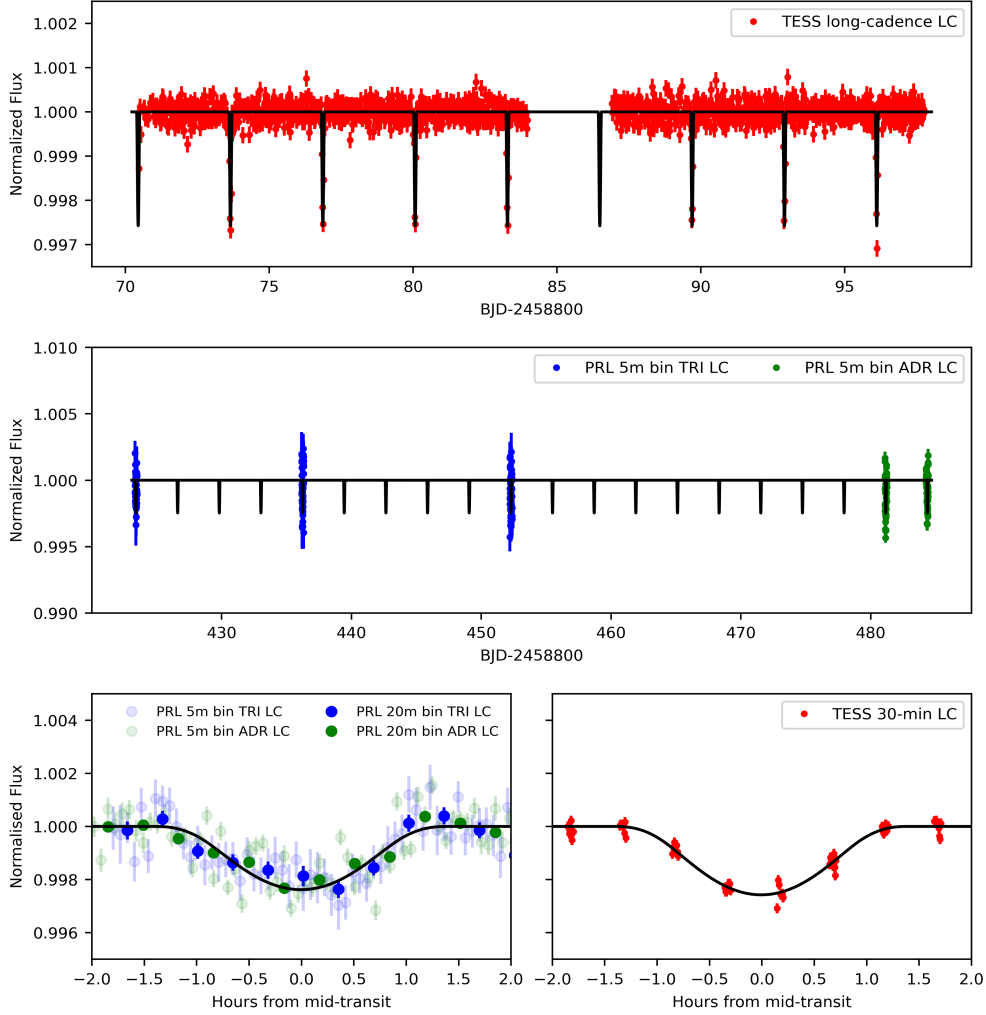
(Sebastian et al. 2020). We used the AstroImageJ software (AIJ: Collins et al. (2017)) for data reduction and light curve extraction. AIJ is an efficient tool for time-series ultra-precise differential photometry (e.g., exoplanet transits), light curve detrending, fitting, and plotting. First, the raw science frames were dark-corrected and flat fielded. Then, for the lightcurve extraction we did the multi-aperture differential photometry as described in the Collins et al. (2017). An aperture of 1.5 times the FWHM of the star is used. The extracted light curves for all the five transit observations were detrended with respect to FWHM, airmass, and exposure time. These parameters are linearly detrended and their contribution is added to the overall  $\chi^2$  contribution for the curve fitting within AIJ for each transit (see equation 5 in Collins et al. (2017)). Finally, the normalized light curves were extracted from AIJ. The transit event was clearly visible in all the detrended LCs, as shown in Figure 2. For better display purpose, we have binned the LC to 20 min. All the transits were jointly modelled with the observed RV data (Section 3.3.2). The residuals from the best-fit transit model have a standard deviation of 1.16 ppt (parts per thousand,  $\sim 1.3$  mmag) and 0.92 ppt ( $\sim 1$  mmag) in 5 min bins for TRI and ADR datasets, respectively. The precision achieved with TRIUS CCD camera is within the  $1.3 \sigma$  of the precision achieved with ANDOR CCD camera showing that the low-cost CCD camera like TRIUS PRO-814 can also be used for precision differential photometric observations effectively.

<sup>3</sup> <https://irsa.ipac.caltech.edu/applications/finderchart/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://planewave.com/product/cdk17-ota/>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.sxccd.com/product/trius-sx814/>

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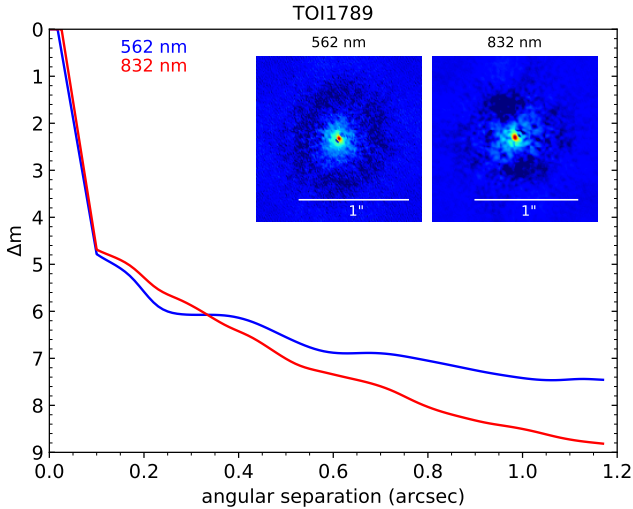
**Figure 2.** Upper panel:- The normalized TESS Light Curve (LC) of TOI-1789 is plotted in red. Eight transits can be seen spaced at  $\sim 3.21$  days with a depth of  $\sim 2.6$  ppt. Middle Panel:- The ground-based follow-up photometry with PRL 0.43 m telescope is shown here (Section 2.2). The blue dots represent the three transits observed with a TRIUS CCD (TRI) with a precision of 1.16 ppt ( $\sim 1.3$  mmag), while green dots represent the two transit events observed with an ANDOR CCD (ADR) with a precision of 0.92 ppt ( $\sim 1$  mmag) in 5-min bins. Lower-left panel:- All the transits identified by the CCD detector are phased to the orbital period of TOI-1789 b and then binned to 5-min and 20-min cadence are plotted here, with blue and green color depicting the TRI and ADR datasets, respectively. Lower-right panel:- Red dots represent the phase folded TESS LC (30-min cadence). Note:- In all the panels, the over-plotted black line represents the best-fit transit model from EXOFASTv2, obtained by simultaneous fitting of TESS and PRL photometry data. (For details, refer Section 3.3.2)

Table 2: A summary of the ground-based transit follow-up observations

Instrument	UT Date	Coverage	5-min Precision (ppt)	Avg. PSF ( $''$ )	Avg. EXP-TIME
TRIOUS PRO-814	08 Jan 2021	Full	0.94	4.1	25s
TRIOUS PRO-814	21 Jan 2021	Full	1.04	4.4	25s
TRIOUS PRO-814	06 Feb 2021	Full	1.32	3.9	20s
ANDOR iKon-L 936	07 Mar 2021	Full	0.89	6.2	18s
ANDOR iKon-L 936	10 Mar 2021	Full	1.00	4.5	8s

**Table 3.** Specifications of both the CCDs

Specifications	TRIOUS PRO-814	ANDOR iKon-L 936
Manufacturer	Starlight Xpress Ltd.	Oxford Instruments
Sensor type	Monochrome ICX814AL (Interline CCD)	e2V CCD42-40 (BEX2-DD)
Image format (pix)	3388 x 2712	2048 x 2048
Pixel size ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	3.69	13.5
QE (at 580 nm)	$\sim 77\%$	$\geq 90\%$
Dark current ( $e^-/\text{s}/\text{pix}$ )	$\leq 0.002$ at $-10^\circ\text{C}$	$0.006$ at $-80^\circ\text{C}$
System gain ( $e^-/\text{ADU}$ )	0.25	1
Readnoise	$3e^-$ at 3 MHz	$7e^-$ at 1 MHz


**Figure 3.** Gemini observations of TOI-1789 on UT 3 February 2021. The  $5\sigma$  contrast curves are plotted with their reconstructed images.

### 2.3 High-resolution Speckle Imaging

High resolution imaging is a tremendously useful tool for finding contamination from nearby star. TOI-1789 was observed on February 3, 2021 UT using the ‘Alopeke speckle instrument on the Gemini North 8 m telescope<sup>7</sup>. ‘Alopeke provides simultaneous speckle imaging in two bands (562 and 832 nm) with output data products including a reconstructed image with robust contrast limits on companion detections (e.g., [Howell et al. \(2016\)](#)). Five sets of  $1000 \times 0.06\text{s}$  exposures were collected and subjected to Fourier analysis in the standard reduction pipeline (see [Howell et al. \(2011\)](#)). If a nearby companion star is present, interferometric fringes are detected in the Fourier analysis and used to determine the companion separation, position angle, and magnitude contrast ( $\Delta m$ ). Figure 3 shows our final  $5\sigma$  contrast curves and reconstructed speckle images. The mean value of each reconstructed image is determined and then radial annuli are made in which each pixel is determined to be above or below the mean. The accumulation of such radial values are used to fit a polynomial curve at a  $5\sigma$  contrast level resulting in the two curves shown in Figure 3. We don’t find any companion brighter than  $\Delta m \sim 5$  within  $1.17''$  of the target. At the distance of TOI-1789 ( $d=223$  pc) these angular limits correspond to spatial limits of upto 268 AU.

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.gemini.edu/sciops/instruments/alopeke-zorro/>

### 2.4 Spectroscopy

The mass of the planet is determined by precise RV measurements made from the spectrographs PARAS and TCES configured at relatively small aperture-sized telescopes (1-2 m) located respectively at Mount Abu, Physical Research Laboratory (PRL), India, and Thüringer Landessternwarte Tautenburg (TLS), Germany. We describe these observations in the following sub-sections.

#### 2.4.1 PARAS-PRL

We acquired a total of 16 spectra of TOI-1789 with the PARAS spectrograph ([Chakraborty et al. 2014](#)) attached to the PRL 1.2 m telescope at the Gurushikhar observatory, Mt. Abu, India. PARAS is a high-resolution ( $R \sim 67000$ ), fiber-fed, pressure and temperature stabilized echelle spectrograph, working in the wavelength range of 380 to 690 nm for precise RV measurements. These spectra were obtained between December 19, 2020 and March 19, 2021 using the simultaneous wavelength calibration mode either with Thorium-Argon (ThAr) or with Uranium-Argon (UAr) hollow cathode lamp (HCL) as described in [Chakraborty et al. \(2014\)](#) and [Sharma & Chakraborty \(2021\)](#), respectively. Only one among the 16 stellar spectra from PARAS was acquired with ThAr HCL, and that was observed on December 19, 2021. After that due to unavailability of pure-Th HCL, we switched to UAr HCL, and the remaining data were acquired with the UAr HCL.

The exposure time for each observation was kept at 1800s which resulted in a SNR per pixel of 12 to 20 at the blaze wavelength of 550 nm. The data reduction were carried out by an automated custom-designed pipeline written in IDL, that is based on the algorithms of [Piskunov & Valenti \(2002\)](#). The extracted spectra through this reduction procedure is further used for RV measurements. The RVs were determined by cross-correlating the stellar spectra with a numerical stellar template mask of the same spectral type ([Baranne et al. 1996](#)). For more details about PARAS data reduction, analysis pipeline, and RV precision stability of the instrument see [Chakraborty et al. \(2014\)](#); [Chakraborty et al. \(2018\)](#). The offset between absolute RVs derived using ThAr and UAr spectra is found to be  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , calculated using a standard RV star HD55575 ([Sharma & Chakraborty 2021](#)), and that has been corrected in TOI-1789 RVs for further analysis. All the RVs from PARAS are listed in Table 5 along with its respective errors. The errors reported here are based on the fitting errors of cross correlation function (CCF) and the photon noise, calculated in the same way as described in [Chaturvedi et al. \(2016, 2018\)](#).

#### 2.4.2 TCES-TLS

A total of 21 useful spectra were obtained with the Tautenburg coude echelle spectrograph (TCES) installed at the 2 m Alfred Jensch telescope at the Thüringer Landessternwarte Tautenburg, Germany between 22 February 2021 and 05 April 2021. TCES is a slit spectrograph with a resolving power of  $R = 67000$  and a wavelength coverage of 470–740 nm. The spectrograph is installed in a Coude room with a temperature stabilized environment. For details of the observations, one can refer to [Guenther et al. \(2009\)](#). The iodine cell, inserted in the optical path of the spectrograph, acts as a wavelength reference for the spectra. The exposure time for all the obtained spectra were 1800 s each leading to an average SNR per pixel of  $\sim 43$  at 564 nm. The standard IRAF routines were used for data reduction that subtract the bias, flat-field the spectra, remove the scattered light, and extract the spectra. A first-order wavelength calibration is

**Table 4.** Spectroscopic Properties derived for TOI-1789.

Spectroscopic Parameters	$T_{\text{eff}}$ (K)	[Fe/H] (dex)	$\log g_*$ (dex)
SME	$5894 \pm 142$	$0.38 \pm 0.1$	$4.2 \pm 0.2$
SpecMatch-Emp	$5804 \pm 110$	$0.29 \pm 0.09$	–
<b>Global Modelling</b>	$5984^{+55}_{-57}$	$0.370^{+0.073}_{-0.089}$	$3.939^{+0.024}_{-0.046}$

applied through Thorium-Argon calibration lamp which is taken in the beginning and end of each night. Instantaneous wavelength solution is determined by the super-imposed iodine lines. The iodine absorption cell technique requires a complex forward modelling procedure to estimate the Doppler shift in the stellar absorption lines. This technique is instrument specific and depends on the PSF of the spectrograph (Valenti et al. 1995). RVs are computed by a Python-based software Velocity and Instrument Profile Estimator (VIPER)<sup>8</sup> (Zechmeister et al. 2021), which is currently being developed as an open-source and a common approach for instrument profile and RV estimation using the Iodine technique. It is based on the standard procedure as described in (Butler et al. 1996; Endl et al. 2000).

### 3 ANALYSIS AND RESULTS

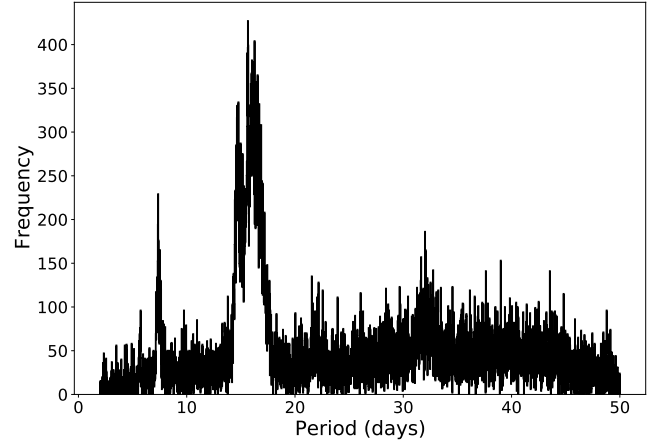
To derive the stellar and planetary properties of TOI-1789 system, we analyzed our photometric and spectroscopic observations in the following subsections. Here we give a brief summary of the procedure and present our results.

#### 3.1 The Host Star

##### 3.1.1 Spectroscopic Parameters

We determine the spectroscopic parameters by using a relatively high SNR ( $\sim 65$  per pixel) spectrum taken without the iodine cell at TCES-TLS. As a first step, we applied the empirical software SpecMatch-Emp code (Hirano et al. 2018) that compares well-characterised FGKM stars observed with Keck/HIRES to the data, in our case the TCES-TLS spectra with  $R = 67000$ . We obtain a stellar effective temperature,  $T_{\text{eff}} = 5804 \pm 110$  K, a stellar radius,  $R_* = 2.078 \pm 0.180 R_{\odot}$ , and the abundance of the key species iron relative to hydrogen,  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.29 \pm 0.09$  (dex) as mentioned in Table 4. To perform a more detailed model, we used the spectral analysis package SME (Spectroscopy Made Easy; Valenti & Piskunov 1996; Piskunov & Valenti 2017) version 5.22. This code is based on grids of recalculated stellar atmospheric models that calculates a synthetic spectrum. The best fitted stellar parameters are derived through a  $\chi^2$ -minimisation iteration that compares the synthetic and observed spectra for a given set of parameters. The spectra was synthesised based on the atomic and molecular line data from VALD (Ryabchikova et al. 2015) and the Atlas12 (Kurucz 2013) atmosphere grids. We refer to Fridlund et al. (2017) and Persson et al. (2018) for a more detailed description of the modelling. Briefly we chose to model spectral features sensitive to different photospheric parameters:  $T_{\text{eff}}$  from the  $H_{\alpha}$  line wings, and the surface gravity,  $\log g_*$ , from the Ca I  $\lambda 6102$ ,  $6122$ , and  $6162$  triplet, and the  $\lambda 6439$  line. The abundances of iron and calcium, and the projected stellar rotational velocity,  $v \sin i$  were fitted from narrow, unblended lines between  $6100$  and  $6500 \text{ \AA}$ . We derive the  $v \sin i$  as  $7.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ .

<sup>8</sup> <https://github.com/mzechmeister/viper>



**Figure 4.** Histogram for the posterior distribution function (PDF) for the estimated rotational period of the star (Period) while using the combined and nightly binned photometric datasets from ASAS, SuperWASP, KELT. We see the PDF peaking at 16 days with other less significant peaks at 8 and 32 days.

We fixed the micro- and macro turbulent velocities,  $V_{\text{mic}}$  and  $V_{\text{mac}}$ , to 1 and 3  $\text{km s}^{-1}$  (Bruntt et al. 2010; Doyle et al. 2014), respectively. The results from SME are in good agreement within the uncertainties with SpecMatch-Emp (Table 4). The SME derived stellar parameters are supplied as priors in the global modelling. The finally adopted stellar parameters obtained through global modelling of the RV and transit data are indicated in the last row of Table 4 in bold font. For more details on the global modelling, see Section 3.3.2. One thing to note here is that we find the TOI-1789 is a late F-type star with our spectral analysis. Nevertheless, SIMBAD reported it as ‘K0’ spectral type.

##### 3.1.2 Rotational Period Determination

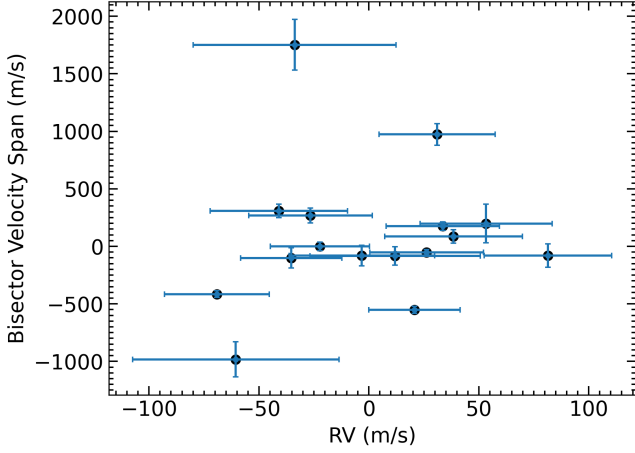
TOI-1789 is a moderately rotating star as determined through SME spectral modelling for  $v \sin i$  of  $7.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ . We use the radius of  $2.168^{+0.036}_{-0.034} R_{\odot}$  (from global modelling Section. 3.3) to calculate the rotational period of about 15.7 days by assuming that the star is observed equator-on ( $i = 90^\circ$ ). Due to the presence of active regions or spots on the surface of the star, the rotation of the star often produces a non-sinusoidal signal. The lifetime of these signals is not well constrained and the differential rotation of the star makes this signal quasi-periodic (Dumusque et al. 2011; Haywood et al. 2014). These activity-induced signals are also introduced in the RV data, making it a nuisance for the planet detection. Such activity signals often cannot be modelled through a plain sinusoidal function. The non-parametric Gaussian processes can be used to model these signals (Angus et al. 2018).

We retrieved the publicly available SuperWASP<sup>9</sup>, ASAS3<sup>10</sup> and KELT<sup>11</sup> photometry data for this source. The ASAS3 data were observed between Dec 2002-May 2009, the SuperWASP data were observed between May 2004-October 2007, and the KELT lightcurves were observed between October 2006-November 2008. We nightly binned each dataset separately and flagged them based on their instruments before supplying these as an input to model the GP. We

<sup>9</sup> <https://wasp.cerit-sc.cz/form>

<sup>10</sup> <http://www.astrouw.edu.pl>

<sup>11</sup> <https://exoplanetarchive.ipac.caltech.edu/docs/KELT.html>



**Figure 5.** Plot of Bisector analysis from PARAS data. No significant correlation was observed between RV and BIS. (Correlation coefficient  $\approx 0.15$ , p-value = 0.58).

invoked the quasi periodic george kernel (Ambikasaran et al. 2015) which is built-in the juliet routine (Espinoza et al. 2019) and applied it on this combined dataset. The george kernel uses the exponential sine-squared function multiplied with a squared-exponential function of the form

$$k(\tau) = \sigma_{GP}^2 \exp(-\alpha_{GP} \tau^2 - \Gamma \sin^2(\frac{\pi\tau}{P_{rot}})) \quad (1)$$

where  $\sigma_{GP}$  is the GP amplitude in parts per million (ppm),  $\Gamma$  is the dimensionless amplitude of the GP sine-squared component,  $\alpha$  is the inverse length scale of the decay times ( $\text{day}^{-2}$ ) component,  $\tau$  is the time lag, and  $P_{rot}$  is the rotational period of the star in days. We used separate and uninformative priors for the photometry datasets from different instruments with a broad range of prior parameters as discussed in Stock et al. (2020). We kept the rotational period uniformly varying between 2-50 days. We display the histogram plot for the posterior density function (PDF) for the successful run. As seen from Figure 4, we see the most significant peak at around 16 days. The amplitude of variation is 7 mmag during peak stellar variability. There are other less significant peaks seen at 8 and 32 days which could be possibly related to the rotational period of the star. Since, our derived  $P_{rot}$  from the  $v \sin i$  is also 15.7 d, we can conclude from this analysis that the  $P_{rot}$  for TOI-1789 is between 15–16 days.

### 3.1.3 Bisector Analysis

To investigate the cause of the RV variations in the PARAS data, we did the bisector analysis. The bisectors are calculated from the PARAS CCFs, where the CCF represents the average profile of the lines in the stellar mask used to calculate RVs. As described in Martínez Fiorenzano et al. (2005), we calculate the bisector of each horizontal segment of the CCF, which are at the same flux level from left to right. The line bisector is the combination of all these bisectors from the core to the wings of the CCF. Then the bisector velocity span (BIS) is calculated by taking the difference of average velocity values between the top and bottom zones of the CCF ( $BIS = V_{top} - V_{bottom}$ ). This difference (BIS) represents the symmetry of the CCF or the absorption lines in the spectra. A strong correlation, negative or positive, between RVs and BIS corresponds to the RV signal being attributed to stellar activity caused by spots or by other atmospheric phenomena like granulation, pulsation or turbulence, or due to likely

contamination in the spectra from a nearby star (Queloz et al. 2001; Martínez Fiorenzano et al. 2005).

As described in Section 2, RV data is in phase with the transit ephemeris. From Section 3.1.2, the estimated rotation period is between 15-16 days a value much different than the planet period of 3.21 days. As it can be seen in Figure 5, we don't find any significant correlation (Correlation coefficient  $\approx 0.15$ , p-value = 0.58). Thus activity related correlation seems unlikely. Moreover, we do not see any likely contamination of the target star from high-resolution imaging and neither any signature of blending in the bisector analysis. Thus, we conclude that the RV variations are due to the planetary signature seen in the data. The values for RVs, BVS and their respective error bars are listed in Table 5, and the BVS plotted against RVs are shown in Figure 5.

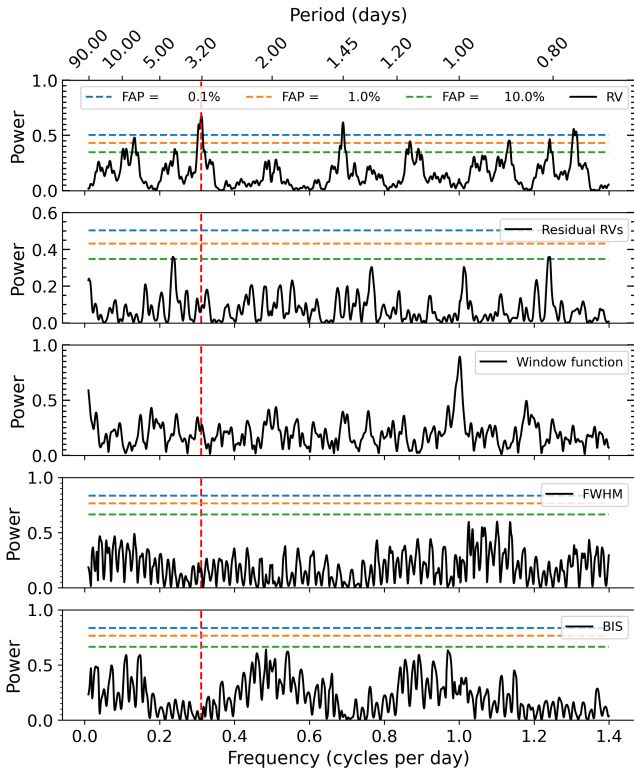
### 3.2 Periodogram Analysis

We show the computed Generalized Lomb-Scargle periodogram (GLS; Zechmeister & Kürster 2009) for RVs, residual RVs, window function, FWHM, and BIS in panel 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 (top to bottom) respectively in the Figure 6. For finding the periodicities in our RV data, we combined RVs from both the spectrographs, PARAS and TCES. Firstly, we corrected the instrumental offsets from RVs by subtracting corresponding average RV values and then computed the periodogram (panel 1). Here, we use the equations given in Zechmeister & Kürster (2009) to normalize the periodogram and calculate false alarm probability (FAP). We consider the threshold FAP of 0.1% for any significant signal and find the most significant signal at a period of  $\sim 3.21$  days (marked as vertical dashed line in Figure 6), the same as the orbital period derived from the transit data (both ground and space-based) for this planetary candidate. We evaluated the FAP at this periodicity using a bootstrap method of 1000000 randomization, over a very narrow range, centering at this period. It gives an FAP of 0.007%, which strongly confirms a periodic signal in our RV data set. There are other two significant signals in the RV periodogram at a period of  $\sim 0.76$  and  $\sim 1.45$  days that vanish when we subtract this  $\sim 3.21$  days periodic signal using a best-fit sinusoidal curve, as can be seen in the residual periodogram (panel 2). These are the 1-day aliases of the orbital frequency ( $f_{orb}$ ) or the 3.21 days signal. Specifically,  $1/0.76$  is the 1-day alias of  $f_{orb}$ , and  $1/1.45$  is the 1-day alias of  $-f_{orb}$ . The residual periodogram does not show any other significant periodicity with FAPs above our threshold of 0.1%. The spectral window function is shown in the panel 3. Furthermore, we also computed the GLS periodogram of the CCF FWHMs and BIS using PARAS data, which is shown in panel 4 and panel 5, respectively (for more information of bisector analysis, please see Section 3.1.3). These diagnostics are generally used as stellar activity indicators since they quantify the line asymmetries which mimic the Doppler shifts. We do not find any statistical significant signals of the stellar activity in the periodograms. Here, we could not use the TCES data as it has superimposed iodine lines in the spectra.

### 3.3 Global Modelling

We used EXOFASTv2 (Eastman et al. 2019) to constrain the host star parameters in the global model and find the orbital and planetary parameters of the system. The EXOFASTv2 uses the Differential Evolution Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) technique to fit the multi-planetary systems with multiple RV and photometry datasets and at the same time provides the opportunity for deriving stellar parameters using spectral energy distribution (SED) and isochrones. It



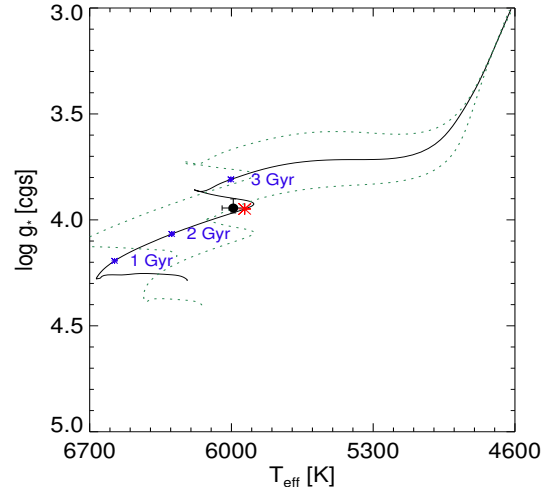


**Figure 6.** The GLS periodogram for the RVs, residual RVs, window function, FWHM, and bisector span of TOI-1789 is shown in panel 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 (upper to lower) respectively. The primary peak is seen at a period  $\approx 3.21$  days (dashed red line), consistent with the orbital period of the planetary candidate obtained from photometry. The FAP levels (dashed lines) of 0.1%, 1%, and 10% for the periodograms are shown in the legends in the panel 4. **Note.** For periodogram analysis of the RVs, the whole dataset was used. In contrast, only PARAS data was used for the last two analyses as superimposed iodine lines are presented in TCES spectra.

also diagnoses the convergence of the chains using built-in Gelman-Rubin statistics (Gelman & Rubin 1992; Ford 2006).

### 3.3.1 Modelling the host star

We derive the host star parameters using the MIST isochrones (Choi et al. 2016; Dotter 2016) and the Spectral Energy Distribution (SED) fitting (Stassun & Torres 2016) using the Kurucz stellar atmosphere model (Kurucz 1979) within the EXOFASTv2 framework. The SED fitting combined with MIST isochrones and transit precisely determine the mass, radius,  $\log g_*$ , and age of the star (Torres et al. 2008). Therefore, we use the TESS and ground based transit data to constrain the stellar parameters. We place gaussian priors on  $T_{\text{eff}}$  and  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ , derived from the spectral analysis, and parallax from *Gaia*EDR3 (Gaia Collaboration et al. 2021). A uniform prior with an upper limit on  $V$ -band extinction from the Schlafly & Finkbeiner (2011) and dust maps at the location of the host star are also applied. We plot the  $\log g_*$  versus  $T_{\text{eff}}$  corresponding to Table 6 in Figure 7 and show the most likely MIST evolutionary track for TOI-1789 (solid line). We also show the evolutionary tracks (dashed lines) of two different masses  $1.36 M_{\odot}$  and  $1.64 M_{\odot}$  ( $\pm 0.14$  of the mass of TOI-1789) in the Figure. We used broadband photometry from Tycho BV (Høg et al. 2000), APASS DR9 BV, SDSSgri (Henden et al. 2016), 2MASS JHK (Cutri et al. 2003), ALL-WISE W1, W2, W3,



**Figure 7.** The solid black line depicts the most likely evolutionary track for TOI-1789 from MIST. The black circle is at the model value  $T_{\text{eff}}$  and  $\log g_*$  with its errorbars. The red asterisk represents the model value for Equal Evolutionary Point (EEP) or the age of TOI-1789 along the track. The other two dashed lines are the evolutionary tracks of masses  $1.36 M_{\odot}$  and  $1.64 M_{\odot}$ , whereas blue asterisks represent the age values 1 Gyr, 2 Gyr and 3 Gyr along the track of TOI-1789.

and W4 (Cutri et al. 2021), which are listed in Table 1. The best fitted SED model along with these broadband photometry fluxes are shown in Figure 8.

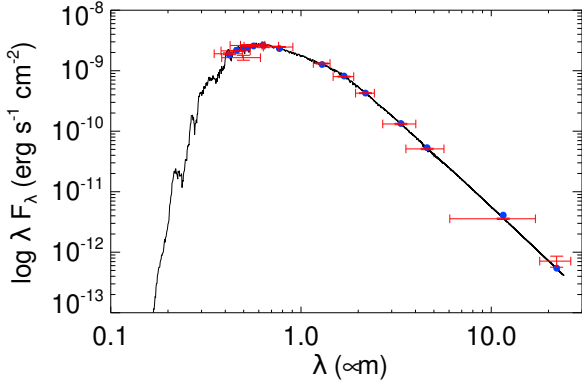
The PDF of stellar mass and age (and their correlated parameters) show bimodality, which can be seen in Figure A1. This type of bimodality has been observed in several recent studies (Grievies et al. 2021; Ikwut-Ukwa et al. 2020; Carmichael et al. 2020, 2021; Pepper et al. 2020) and it appears due to the degeneracy between the MIST isochrones in the region of  $T_{\text{eff}} - \log g_*$  plane occupied by TOI-1789. The two peaks in the PDF are centered at a mass of  $1.35 M_{\odot}$  (age = 4.15 Gyr) and  $1.51 M_{\odot}$  (age = 2.71 Gyr) with the probability of 30% and 70%, respectively. We finally adopted the solution provided by EXOFASTv2, which is centered at the most probable values for  $M_*$ , age, and their correlated parameters and thus have larger uncertainties considering the bimodality. The adopted stellar parameters along with  $1\sigma$  uncertainties are displayed in Table 4.

The final adopted values for the host star are  $\log g_* = 3.943^{+0.023}_{-0.043}$ ,  $M_* = 1.507^{+0.059}_{-0.14} M_{\odot}$ ,  $R_* = 2.168^{+0.036}_{-0.034} R_{\odot}$ , at an age of  $2.73^{+1.3}_{-0.51}$  Gyr. The  $\log g_*$  determined here is slightly lower ( $\sim 1.3\sigma$ ) than the one estimated with SME (Section 3.1.1). Stellar gravity is more accurately determined with SED, isochrones combined with the transit data which places a strong constraint on the stellar density of the star (Stevens et al. 2017). Therefore we adopt the stellar parameters obtained from this global modelling to determine the orbital and planetary parameters.

### 3.3.2 Orbital Parameters

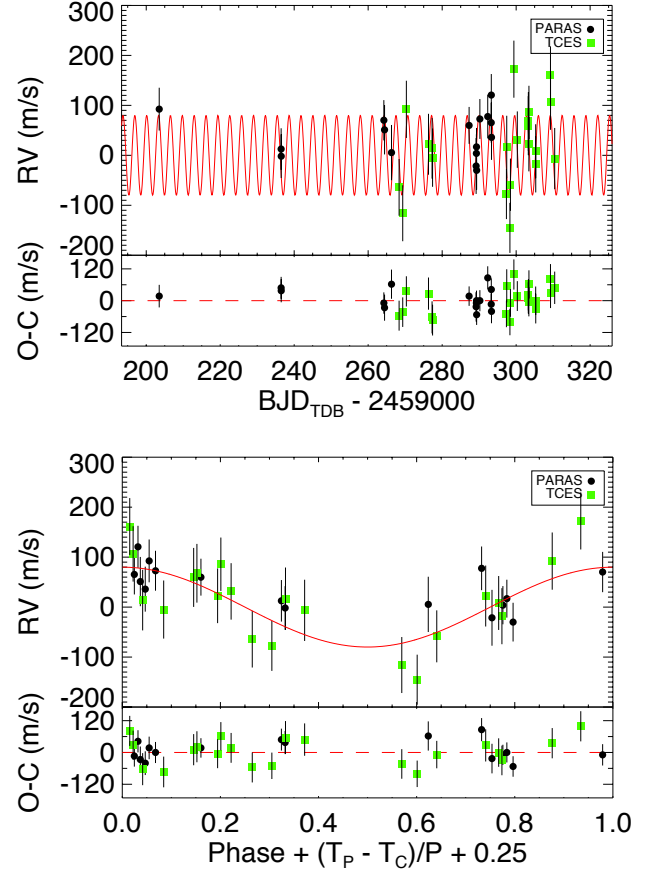
The independent fit of one data set (either RV or transit) is useful in constraining mutually independent parameters obtained from either of these datasets. For e.g.,  $b$ ,  $i$ ,  $R_p$ , and  $a$  are exclusively dependent on the transit data, while  $K$  and hence  $M_p$  depends on the RV data. However, the parameters like  $P$ ,  $T_c$ ,  $\omega$ , and  $e$  depend on both the datasets and can be well constrained by fitting them simultaneously.

We use the photometry data from TESS and PRL (two datasets,



**Figure 8.** The spectral energy distribution of TOI-1789. The Red markers with the horizontal error bars denote the photometric measurements in each filter and their bandwidth, while the vertical error bars shows the measurement uncertainty. The Black curve is representing the best fit Kurucz stellar atmosphere model with highlighted blue circles as the model fluxes over each passband.

Section 2.2), and RV data from PARAS and TCES for the simultaneous fitting. We provide the Gaussian priors on the stellar parameters derived in Section 3.3.1, along with the starting values for  $P$  and  $T_C$  given by the TESS QLP pipeline. We also include offsets and jitter terms for each dataset of each instrument in RV and LC fitting. The transit model is generated using the Mandel & Agol (2002); re-sampling the transit model over 10 steps to account for the TESS long cadence (30 min) data (Kipping 2010). The photometric data were modeled with a quadratic limb-darkening (LD) law for *TESS* and Bessel-*R* (PRL transits) passbands. The  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  are derived by the interpolation of the Claret & Bloemen (2011); Claret (2017) LD models. We used 56 chains and 50000 steps for MCMC global fitting, which allowed the fit to converge. First, we fit a circular orbit model keeping eccentricity to zero, and then an eccentric orbit model, by keeping the  $e \cos \omega_*$  and  $e \sin \omega_*$  as free parameters to check for any significant eccentricity in the orbit. The eccentricity is found to be  $0.1 \pm 0.075$ . We calculated the Akaike Information Criterion (AIC, Akaike (1974)) as well as Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC, Burnham & Anderson (2002)) for both the models and find the  $\Delta AIC$  between the models to be 6.0, moderately favouring the circular model over the eccentric model, while the  $\Delta BIC$  to be 17.0, strongly supporting the circular orbit model. Thus, we adopted the circular orbit model and report the orbital and planetary parameters in Table 6. We find that TOI-1789 b has a mass of  $0.70 \pm 0.16 M_J$  and a radius of  $1.44^{+0.24}_{-0.14} R_J$ , which corresponds to the density of  $0.28^{+0.14}_{-0.12} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ . The resulting best fit models from EXOFASTv2 for the transit light curves are plotted in Figure 2, and for the RVs in Figure 9. Figure A1 shows the covariances for all the fitted parameters for the global joint fit. For TOI-1789,  $b + R_p/R_* > 1$  represents a grazing transit configuration. In such cases, the posterior probability densities contain a strong degeneracy between the transit impact parameter  $b$  (and its related parameters such as inclination, etc.) and the planetary radius  $R_p/R_*$ . Due to this the planetary radius can not be determined precisely. It can be seen for TOI-1789 in Figure A1, there is degeneracy between  $R_p/R_*$  and inclination  $\cos i$ . Although we have used short cadence data along with TESS data and the transit is deeper (0.25%), the radius is not well-constrained, having 9-16% uncertainty.



**Figure 9.** TOI-1789 RVs from PARAS (black dots), and TCES (green squares) are plotted here with respect to time in the upper panel, and with respect to orbital phase ( $\sim 3.21$  d) in the lower panel, after subtracting the corresponding instrumental RV offsets  $\gamma_{rel}$ , listed in Table 6. The red line represents the best-fit RV model for the planet from EXOFASTv2 (see Section 3.3.2). The bottom-panel shows the residuals between the data and the best-fit model.

## 4 DISCUSSION

TOI-1789, with its precise determination of host star and planet properties (with the precision of 22% and 9-16% in planetary mass and radius, respectively), makes an important contribution to the study of gas giant planets around slightly evolved stars. In our discussion, we focus on the evolutionary status of the host star and the derived planet properties.

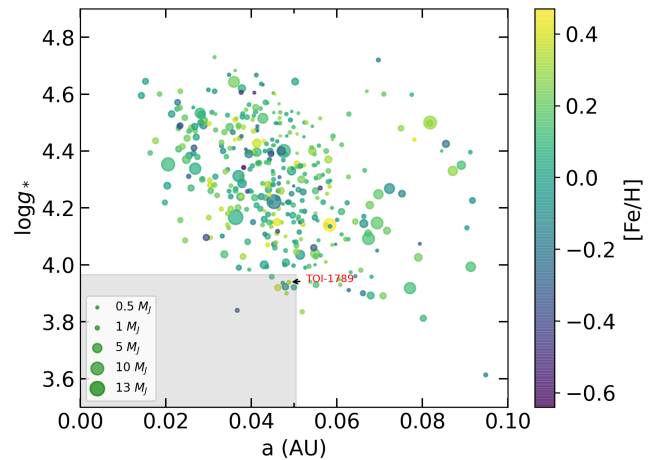
### 4.1 The evolved star

Semi-analytical disk models indicate that the frequency of giant planets must increase with the mass of the host star between  $0.2\text{--}1.5 M_\odot$  (Kennedy & Kenyon 2008; Ida & Lin 2005). However, this trend is expected to decrease above  $1.5 M_\odot$  due to a smaller growth rate, longer migration timescale, and shorter lifetime of the protostellar disk (Reffert et al. 2015). Looking for planets around main sequence stars more massive than the sun can help shed some light on this aspect. These stars have few spectral lines for Doppler measurements and are often broadened by the rapid rotation of the star. This has been the reason for RV surveys to have traditionally targeted slow rotating FGK type stars. However, as rapidly rotating stars evolve off the main sequence they slow down considerably and become much

cooler making it relatively easy to search for planets around them. This fact was exploited by dedicated planet searches around intermediate mass sub-giants leading to dozens of planet discoveries (Johnson et al. 2007, 2010a, 2011). An important result obtained from the survey of giant stars at the Lick observatory pointed out that the occurrence rate peaks at a stellar mass of  $1.9^{+0.1}_{-0.5} M_{\odot}$ . However, many of the discovered planets around evolved stars were found at large orbital separations (Hatzes et al. 2003; Fischer et al. 2007; Robinson et al. 2007; Johnson et al. 2008). This is not a surprise as star-planet interaction is largely governed by tidal forces. When the stellar rotational period is longer than the planet orbital period, the star experiences spinning up, leading to orbital decay. Synchronization and circularization of orbit occurs in systems where the total angular momentum exceeds a critical value. When this total angular momentum is small enough, the orbit of the planet can continue to shrink and be engulfed by the host star. This phenomenon entirely depends on the dissipation time scales for the star (Mazeh (2008) and references therein). The role of tidal forces becomes increasingly important in the context of host stars being in an evolved state. There is a higher chance of the planet being destroyed by the evolved star (Kunitomo et al. 2011; Schlaufman & Winn 2013). However, there is no obvious way to estimate these tidal dissipation forces. The circularization timescale for such planets can be used to quantify tidal dissipation inside planets (Hansen 2010; Socrates et al. 2012). Most of the discovered hot Jupiters with periods less than 3 days are found to be on circular orbits. We calculate the circularization timescales for the orbit of TOI-1789 b, which is  $\tau_{cir} = 0.08$  Gyr (for  $Q_P = 10^6$ , equation (3) of Adams & Laughlin (2006)). This is less than the age of the star as calculated from our work (Section 3.3.1).

Figure 10 shows all the transiting hot Jupiters taken from the Transiting ExoPlanet catalogue (TEPCat) database<sup>12</sup> with uncertainties on the masses and radii  $< 25\%$ . We use a planet mass cut off between  $0.25M_J < M < 13M_J$  and orbital period less than 10 days to stay consistent with the definition of hot Jupiter (Dawson & Johnson 2018; Boss et al. 2005). We plot  $\log g_*$  as an indicator of the evolutionary status of the star versus the separation of the host star ( $a$ ) from its orbiting planet in AU. Stars are colour coded according to their metallicity. Stars with high metallicity appear as yellow, whereas the ones with sub-solar metallicities are blue. The size of the individual points represent the planet's mass. We mark the position of TOI-1789 with the arrow, and is labeled as red text in the figure. One notes that close-in transiting planets are more common around the main sequence stars ( $\log g_* \geq 4.1$ ). Another thing to notice is that most of the planet host stars have super-solar metallicity. This correlation of stellar metallicity with planet occurrence rate for main sequence stars was reported early on by Gonzalez (1997); Santos et al. (2004); Fischer & Valenti (2005). There were surveys like the Next 200 Stars (N2K) and ELODIE survey which were particularly designed to utilize this information discovering several Jovian exoplanets (Fischer et al. 2005; Bouchy et al. 2005; Moutou et al. 2006). The study of the planet-metallicity relation was extended to evolved stars thanks to the survey of giant stars carried out at the Lick Observatory (Frink et al. 2001). A strong planet-metallicity correlation with a power-law exponent of  $1.7^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$  was reported from this survey (Reffert et al. 2015). With a derived metallicity of  $0.373^{+0.071}_{-0.086}$  dex, TOI-1789 joins the many other metal-rich host stars.

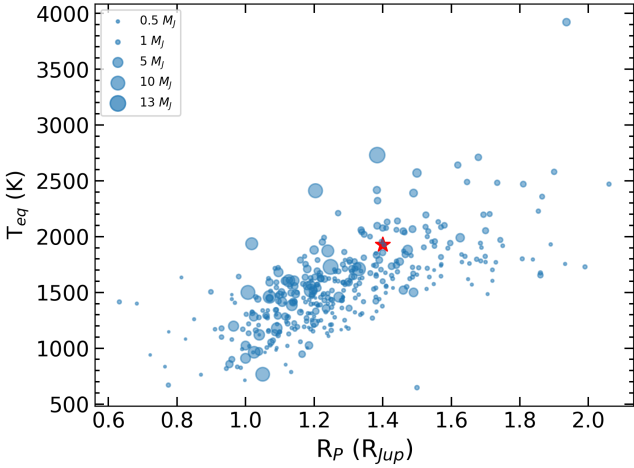
Given any stellar type, there is a detection bias favouring close-in planets. We see from Figure 10 that there are fewer planets situ-



**Figure 10.** The surface gravity ( $\log g_*$ ) of host stars having the transiting hot Jupiters ( $0.25M_J < M < 13M_J$  and  $P < 10$  days) in their orbits are plotted as a function of orbital separation ( $a$ ) in AU. Datasets used in this diagram are taken from the TEPcat database<sup>12</sup>, and only planets with uncertainty on the masses and radii  $< 25\%$  are considered. Metallicity of the host star is colour-coded, with colours ranging from low metallicity (in blue) to high metallicity (in yellow). The size of individual dots represent the planet's mass in Jupiter mass. The grey shaded region represents the boundary ( $a \leq 0.05$  AU &  $\log g_* \leq 4.1$  dex) and the other 7 exoplanets as described in Section 4.1 can be seen under this shaded region. The position of TOI-1789 marked with arrow and is labeled as red text in the figure.

ated to the proximity of their host stars for the case of evolved stars ( $\log g_* < 4.1$ ) as compared to the main-sequence stars. This dearth of close-in planets around sub-giants and giant stars was also noted by Bowler et al. (2010). The surface gravity of host star ( $\log g_*$ ) shows a weak linear correlation with  $a$  as seen from this figure (Pearson correlation coefficient =  $-0.34$ ,  $p = 8.2 \times 10^{-12}$ ). This plot is representative of the fact that the proximity of the orbiting planets depends on the evolutionary status of the host star. TOI-1789 b is fairly close-in located at a distance of 0.048 AU from its host star and seems to lie very close to this boundary. This boundary could be dictated by the fact that such close-in planets could be engulfed by its host star in the course of evolution on its sub-giant/giant phase. This fact is also supported by the masses of the planets seen close to this boundary limit. Most of these close-in planets have sub-Jovian to Jovian-like masses. Tidal forces are expected to be larger when the orbiting planet has a larger mass (Mazeh 2008). As of now, only 8 planetary systems (including this work) around stars similar to or more evolved than TOI-1789 are known, which are orbiting closer to their host star ( $a \leq 0.05$  AU). These are namely, (HATS-12: Rabus et al. (2016), HATS-26: Espinoza et al. (2016), HATS-40: Bento et al. (2018), WASP-71: Smith et al. (2013), WASP-78: Smalley et al. (2012), WASP-82: West et al. (2016) and WASP-165: Lendl et al. (2019)). We mark this boundary ( $a \leq 0.05$  AU &  $\log g_* \leq 4.1$  dex) with the shaded grey region in Figure 10. At the age of  $\sim 2.7$  Gyr, TOI-1789 is a slightly evolved late F-type star with  $\log g_*$  of  $\sim 3.9$ , a radius of  $\sim 2.2 R_{\odot}$  and a mass of  $\sim 1.5 M_{\odot}$ . The circular orbit for the planet seen here is evidence of the strong tidal interaction due to its host star. This makes TOI-1789 b a rare and important system in understanding the evolution of close-in planets around stars transiting off their main sequence.

<sup>12</sup> <https://www.astro.keele.ac.uk/jkt/tepcat/> Southworth (2011) as of June 9, 2021



**Figure 11.** The Planetary Radius-Equilibrium temperature relation diagram for known transiting hot Jupiters ( $0.25M_J < M < 13M_J$  and  $P < 10$  days). Data are taken from the TEPcat database<sup>12</sup>, only planets with uncertainty on the masses and radii  $< 25\%$  are considered. The size of individual dots correspond to the mass of the planet in terms of Jupiter. The position of TOI-1789 b is plotted as red asterisk symbol.

## 4.2 The heated planet

Understanding the radius inflation of transiting hot giants is an important aspect of exoplanetary science. The determination of precise stellar ages is useful in this context. Finding inflated Jupiters during the end-of-main sequence phase is indicative of a deep heating mechanism. However, if hot Jupiters are found to be inflated during the post-main-sequence, then heating must be concentrated at deposition pressure  $\geq 10^5$  bars (Komacek et al. 2020). Considering the aspects of both stellar irradiation and the age of the system, Komacek et al. (2020) postulated that inflated Jupiters would be the most common around stars with masses  $1.0 M_\odot < M_* < 1.5 M_\odot$ , which is also true for TOI-1789 which has a mass of  $1.507^{+0.059}_{-0.14} M_\odot$  and the radius of the planet of  $1.44^{+0.24}_{-0.14} R_J$ . Figure 11 shows the data for the known transiting hot Jupiters from the TEPcat database,<sup>12</sup> where we plot the planet radius against its equilibrium temperature. The size of the individual dots on this figure corresponds to the mass of the planet. We mark the position of TOI-1789 b as a red asterisk symbol. It has a fairly inflated radius relative to its mass. The equilibrium temperature for the planet (assuming no albedo and perfect redistribution) is estimated to be  $1927^{+27}_{-17}$  K. Several studies indicate that inflation in hot Jupiters would be due to the high incident fluxes received by them through their host stars (Guillot & Showman 2002; Tremblin et al. 2017; Sainsbury-Martinez et al. 2019). The total incident flux received by TOI-1789 b is  $3.13^{+0.18}_{-0.11} \times 10^9 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ . This flux-limit is more than 15 times the threshold ( $2 \times 10^8 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ) as described in Demory & Seager (2011), below which there is no chance of finding inflated hot Jupiters.

Inflated planets are considered good candidates to study their atmospheric properties via transits (Charbonneau et al. 2005; Southworth 2009; Winn 2008). TOI-1789 b has a very low bulk density of  $0.28^{+0.14}_{-0.12} \text{ g/cm}^3$ . Assuming a hydrogen rich atmosphere and thereby a  $\mu$  of 2.3, we calculate the scale height ( $H = K_b T_{eq} / \mu g$ ) (Madhusudhan et al. 2014) of 852 km. The Transmission Spectroscopy Metric (TSM) for this target as noted in TFOP observing notes is 210.8. Based on the formulation from Kempton et al. (2018) and our derived parameters from this work, we re-calculate the TSM as

139.4. This places TOI-1789 in the top two quartiles for the sub-Jovian planets suitable for high-priority atmospheric characterization as noted by Kempton et al. (2018). Despite this scale height and TSM, the expected amplitude of spectral features in transmission is only  $\sim 0.016\%$  (Kreidberg 2018) due to the large radius of the host star. Thus, TOI-1789 might not be the ideal target for ground-based transmission spectroscopy studies but can be a suitable candidate for future JWST<sup>13</sup> or ARIEL studies (Tinetti et al. 2016).

Due to its unique position in the evolutionary state and a relatively bright magnitude, TOI-1789 is a good choice to study the Rossiter-McLaughlin (R-M) effect. Most hot Jupiters are aligned in their orbits with the spin angle of their host stars. However, some of these can also be misaligned (Albrecht et al. 2012). R-M effect (Rossiter 1924; McLaughlin 1924) can be used to study this projected stellar obliquity of planets. Based on the larger stellar radius and its relatively high  $v \sin i$ , RM semi-amplitude could be between  $2.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and  $16 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  for the projected spin-orbit angle ( $\lambda$ ) between  $0^\circ$  and  $90^\circ$ , respectively (Ohta et al. 2005). Depending on the projected spin-orbit angle, this can be observed with any moderate-sized telescope (2.5 - 4 m aperture) with a precise RV instrument.

## 5 SUMMARY

We have presented the discovery and characterization of a transiting hot Jupiter, TOI-1789 b, from TESS photometry data, follow-up ground based-photometry data from PRL, along with precise RV data from PARAS and TCES spectrographs. Based on the global modelling of these photometry and RV datasets, the host star has a mass of  $1.507^{+0.059}_{-0.14} M_\odot$ , radius of  $2.168^{+0.036}_{-0.034} R_\odot$ , metallicity of  $0.373^{+0.071}_{-0.086}$  dex, effective temperature of  $5991 \pm 55$  K, and surface gravity ( $\log g_*$ ) of  $3.943^{+0.023}_{-0.043}$  that indicate it is a slightly evolved, metal-rich, and late F-type star. The planetary parameters for TOI-1789 b are as follows:  $M_p: 0.70 \pm 0.16 M_J$ ,  $R_p: 1.44^{+0.24}_{-0.14} R_J$ ,  $\rho_p: 0.28^{+0.14}_{-0.12} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$ , and  $T_{eq}: 1927^{+27}_{-17}$  K. At a  $4\text{-}\sigma$  significance on the derived mass and radius for TOI-1789 b, we find the radius of TOI-1789 b to be inflated for its planetary mass. TOI-1789 b could have already been circularized as seen from our results. This is in agreement with the calculated circularization timescale of 0.08 Gyr, which is less than the estimated age of the system. There are only 8 exoplanets (including TOI-1789 b) discovered as of now, which are hosted by either similar or more evolved stars than TOI-1789 and orbiting in very close-proximity to their host star ( $a \leq 0.05$  AU). Despite the rarity of hot Jupiters around slightly evolved stars in close-in orbits, TOI-1789 b is completely "non-anomalous," satisfying most of the evolutionary models at place. The detection of similar types of exoplanets will help us to improve our understanding of the distribution, formation, and migration of hot Jupiters around evolving stars.

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## DATA AVAILABILITY

The TESS photometry and the high-resolution speckle imaging data underlying this article are available at the Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes (MAST) (<https://mast.stsci.edu/>) and the ExoFOP-TESS webpage (<https://exofop.ipac.caltech.edu/tess/target.php?id=172518755>), respectively. The radial velocity measurements are provided in the Table 5. All other data underlying this article will be shared on reasonable request to the corresponding author.

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Table 5: RV measurements for TOI-1789. The  $BJD_{TDB}$  is mentioned in the first column followed by their corresponding relative RVs and error in RVs in the second and third column respectively. The fourth and fifth columns correspond to bisector velocity span and its respective errors. The sixth column represents the exposure time and the last column shows the instruments used for observations.

$BJD_{TDB}$	Relative-RV	$\sigma$ -RV	BIS	$\sigma$ -BIS	EXP-TIME	Instrument
Days	$\text{m s}^{-1}$	$\text{m s}^{-1}$	$\text{m s}^{-1}$	$\text{m s}^{-1}$	sec	
2459203.519645	-11.91	30.00	197.79	168.29	1800	PARAS*
2459236.471110	-91.76	28.13	267.54	64.79	1800	PARAS†
2459236.495532	-106.14	31.24	307.58	58.14	1800	PARAS†
2459264.241224	-34.16	26.40	972.78	93.32	1800	PARAS†
2459264.426243	-53.28	38.74	-83.81	79.54	1800	PARAS†
2459266.309799	-98.94	46.13	1751.67	220.13	1800	PARAS†
2459287.283471	-44.48	20.80	-551.95	30.95	1800	PARAS†
2459289.186833	-125.73	46.89	-982.45	153.12	1800	PARAS†
2459289.258414	-100.47	23.03	-100.73	87.37	1800	PARAS†
2459289.284072	-87.48	22.52	0.70	36.28	1800	PARAS†
2459289.324973	-134.37	23.88	-415.21	28.96	1800	PARAS†
2459290.195198	-31.61	25.76	175.88	36.30	1800	PARAS†
2459292.327774	-26.77	31.32	86.37	59.11	1800	PARAS†
2459293.265260	-38.99	25.86	-52.63	26.21	1800	PARAS†
2459293.288928	16.25	28.94	-80.99	101.90	1800	PARAS†
2459293.336772	-68.44	33.08	-79.96	90.14	1800	PARAS†
2459268.367086	55.72	30.32	-	-	1800	TCES
2459269.344931	4.01	28.88	-	-	1800	TCES
2459270.328739	211.94	31.26	-	-	1800	TCES
2459276.311054	142.06	37.66	-	-	1800	TCES
2459277.276355	133.96	37.06	-	-	1800	TCES
2459277.413716	115.03	32.70	-	-	1800	TCES
2459297.373577	42.26	14.10	-	-	1800	TCES
2459298.323521	-25.34	14.19	-	-	1800	TCES
2459297.462606	136.68	39.96	-	-	1800	TCES
2459298.451947	61.38	20.11	-	-	1800	TCES
2459299.393539	292.36	31.03	-	-	1800	TCES
2459300.315441	151.34	29.86	-	-	1800	TCES
2459303.279352	179.31	34.34	-	-	1800	TCES
2459303.300500	187.65	33.82	-	-	1800	TCES
2459303.436010	142.56	26.32	-	-	1800	TCES
2459303.457166	205.70	23.46	-	-	1800	TCES
2459305.274017	128.12	24.60	-	-	1800	TCES
2459305.295176	101.73	29.09	-	-	1800	TCES
2459309.278728	281.19	30.41	-	-	1800	TCES
2459309.300456	226.44	27.72	-	-	1800	TCES
2459310.422304	113.38	38.13	-	-	1800	TCES

\* Spectra acquired simultaneously with ThAr HCL

† Spectra acquired simultaneously with UAr HCL



Table 6: Priors along with Median values and 68% confidence interval for TOI-1789 from EXOFASTv2. The  $\mathcal{N}$  and  $\mathcal{U}$  represents the Gaussian and the Uniform priors, respectively.

Parameter	Units	Adopted Priors	Values	
<b>Stellar Parameters:</b>				
$M_*$ . . . .	Mass ( $M$ ) . . . . .	–	$1.507^{+0.059}_{-0.14}$	
$R_*$ . . . .	Radius ( $R$ ) . . . . .	–	$2.168^{+0.036}_{-0.034}$	
$L_*$ . . . .	Luminosity ( $L$ ) . . . . .	–	$5.45^{+0.15}_{-0.14}$	
$\rho_*$ . . . .	Density (cgs) . . . . .	–	$0.208^{+0.014}_{-0.020}$	
$\log g$ . . .	Surface gravity (cgs) . . . . .	–	$3.943^{+0.023}_{-0.043}$	
$T_{\text{eff}}$ . . .	Effective Temperature (K) . . . . .	$\mathcal{N}(5894, 142)$	$5991 \pm 55$	
[Fe/H] . . .	Metallicity (dex) . . . . .	$\mathcal{N}(0.38, 0.1)$	$0.373^{+0.071}_{-0.086}$	
Age . . . .	Age (Gyr) . . . . .	–	$2.73^{+1.3}_{-0.51}$	
EEP . . . .	Equal Evolutionary Point . . . . .	–	$404^{+45}_{-14}$	
$A_V$ . . . .	V-band extinction (mag) . . . . .	$\mathcal{U}(0, 0.067)$	$0.030^{+0.025}_{-0.021}$	
$\sigma_{SED}$ . . .	SED photometry error scaling . . . . .	–	$2.78^{+0.74}_{-0.52}$	
$v \sin i$ . . .	Projected Rotational Velocity ( $\text{km s}^{-1}$ ) . . . . .	–	$7.0 \pm 0.5$	
$\varpi$ . . . . .	Parallax (mas) . . . . .	$\mathcal{N}(4.4743, 0.0181)$	$4.474 \pm 0.018$	
$d$ . . . . .	Distance (pc) . . . . .	–	$223.53^{+0.91}_{-0.90}$	
<b>Planetary Parameters:</b>				
			b	
$P$ . . . . .	Period (days) . . . . .	–	$3.208664 \pm 0.000015$	
$R_P$ . . . .	Radius ( $R_J$ ) . . . . .	–	$1.44^{+0.24}_{-0.14}$	
$T_C$ . . . .	Time of conjunction (BJD <sub>TDB</sub> ) . . . . .	–	$2458873.65374 \pm 0.00062$	
$a$ . . . . .	Semi-major axis (AU) . . . . .	–	$0.04882^{+0.00063}_{-0.0016}$	
$i$ . . . . .	Inclination (Degrees) . . . . .	–	$78.41^{+0.36}_{-0.58}$	
$T_{eq}$ . . . .	Equilibrium temperature (K) . . . . .	–	$1927^{+27}_{-17}$	
$M_P$ . . . .	Mass ( $M_J$ ) . . . . .	–	$0.70 \pm 0.16$	
$K$ . . . . .	RV semi-amplitude (m/s) . . . . .	–	$72^{+17}_{-16}$	
$\log K$ . . .	Log of RV semi-amplitude . . . . .	–	$1.861^{+0.090}_{-0.11}$	
$R_P/R_*$ . . .	Radius of planet in stellar radii . . . . .	–	$0.0680^{+0.011}_{-0.0061}$	
$a/R_*$ . . . .	Semi-major axis in stellar radii . . . . .	–	$4.83^{+0.11}_{-0.16}$	
$\delta$ . . . . .	Transit depth (fraction) . . . . .	–	$0.00463^{+0.00016}_{-0.00080}$	
$Depth$ . . .	Flux decrement at mid transit . . . . .	–	$0.00347^{+0.00020}_{-0.00018}$	
$T_{14}$ . . . .	Total transit duration (days) . . . . .	–	$0.0959 \pm 0.0018$	
$b$ . . . . .	Transit Impact parameter . . . . .	–	$0.972^{+0.017}_{-0.011}$	
$\rho_P$ . . . .	Density (cgs) . . . . .	–	$0.28^{+0.14}_{-0.12}$	
$\log g_P$ . . .	Surface gravity . . . . .	–	$2.91^{+0.14}_{-0.18}$	
$\langle F \rangle$ . . . .	Incident Flux ( $10^9 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ ) . . . . .	–	$3.13^{+0.18}_{-0.11}$	
$M_P \sin i$ . .	Minimum mass ( $M_J$ ) . . . . .	–	$0.68^{+0.16}_{-0.15}$	
$M_P/M_*$ . . .	Mass ratio . . . . .	–	$0.00045 \pm 0.00010$	
<b>Wavelength Parameters:</b>				
		R	TESS	
$u_1$ . . . .	linear limb-darkening coeff . . . . .	$0.356 \pm 0.035$	$0.263^{+0.046}_{-0.047}$	
$u_2$ . . . .	quadratic limb-darkening coeff . . . . .	$0.309^{+0.035}_{-0.034}$	$0.284 \pm 0.047$	
<b>Telescope Parameters:</b>				
		PARAS	TCES	
$\gamma_{\text{rel}}$ . . . .	Relative RV Offset (m/s) . . . . .	$-93 \pm 12$	$122^{+14}_{-13}$	
$\sigma_J$ . . . .	RV Jitter (m/s) . . . . .	$26^{+14}_{-12}$	$51^{+14}_{-11}$	
$\sigma_J^2$ . . . .	RV Jitter Variance . . . . .	$730^{+960}_{-510}$	$2700^{+1700}_{-1000}$	
<b>Transit Parameters:</b>				
		PRL ADR (R)	PRL TRI (R)	TESS (TESS)
$\sigma^2$ . . . .	Added Variance . . . . .	$0.00000252^{+0.00000025}_{-0.00000023}$	$0.00000015^{+0.00000018}_{-0.00000016}$	$0.000000064^{+0.000000018}_{-0.000000017}$
$F_0$ . . . .	Baseline flux . . . . .	$1.00006 \pm 0.00010$	$1.000509^{+0.000100}_{-0.000099}$	$0.9999953 \pm 0.0000061$

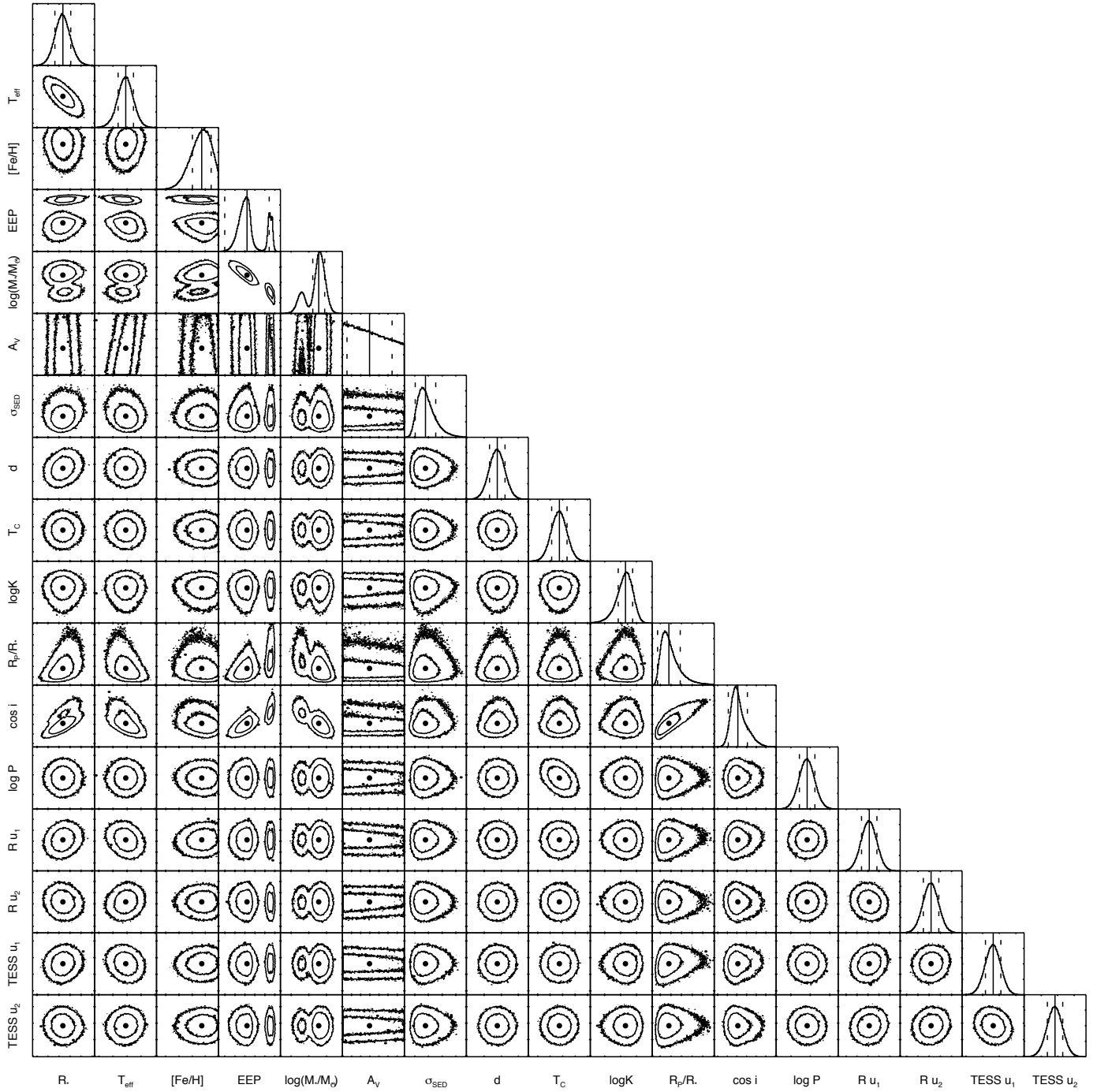


Figure A1.

**APPENDIX A: THE CORNER PLOT SHOWING THE COVARIANCES FOR ALL THE FITTED PARAMETERS FOR THE TOI-1789 GLOBAL-FIT**