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A Catalog of Wide Binary and Multiple Systems of Bright Stars from *Gaia*-DR2 and the Virtual Observatory

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Why wide comoving systems?

- Test stellar formation and evolution theories
 - s > 20,000 au are challenging to binary formation models
- They are valuables indicators of Galactic environment
 - s > 1 pc provide further constrains in the Galactic gravitational potential
- Age indicators





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- 4. RV rejection
 - Gaia-DR2 & RAVE
 - $\sigma < 5 \text{ km/s} \rightarrow \text{RV}$ for 678 candidates pairs
 - Similar RV within $2.5\sigma \rightarrow 16\%$ of pairs had discrepant





Catalogue

11,552 sources grouped in 3741 commoving binary and multiple systems



Galactic coordinates. Red dots: > 7 members

 Table 1. Number of systems according to multiplicity

Members	Systems	similar RV
2	3055	570
3	288	4
4	104	
5	63	
6	42	1
7	34	
8	21	
9	16	
10	14	
$> 10^{a}$	104	
Total	3741	575





Chance alignment contamination

1. Galaxy Specular Star

- Virtually move each star to the opposite side to the Galactic plane
- Search for comoving companions
- Any match is a false positive
- 714 false comoving systems
- False positives increase with s

~ 20% expected contamination

- ~1% for s < 50,000 au
- ~10% for 50,000 < s < 100,000 au
- Up to 40% for the largest separations







Chance alignment contamination

- 2. Expected chance alignment counterparts (ECAC)
 - Searching area: Circle (C) of 500.000 au sky projected radius (R_C)
 - Testing area: Surrounding annulus with outer radius $5 \cdot R_C$
 - Search for comoving companions in the annulus
 - Assumption: Any match in the testing regions is a false positive

$$ECAC = M_A \cdot N_C / N_A$$

ECAC is not dependent on the physical properties of the system

- ECAC = 0 for 4,212 systems
- ECAC > $0 (\sim 31\%)$
 - ~ 5% for s < 50,000 au
 - ~ 18% for 50,000 < s <100,000 au
 - Up to 51% for the largest separations







1,094 Giants (~ 10%)









- SEDs: GALEX & Tycho2 & Gaia-DR2 & APASS & 2MASS & WISE
- Extinction from VO & Gaia-DR2 (or no extinction)
- BT-Settl with solar metallicity and $\neq \log g$ for D/G





Effective temperature

- 11,143 T_{eff} (~ 96%)
- σ ~ 135 K

California-Kepler Survey (High-resolution Spectroscopy)







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 - At the MS L~ $M^{3.5} \rightarrow t_{MS} \sim 10M/L=10M^{-2.5}$
- Dissipation lifetime
 - Upper limit for the system age
 - $t_D \sim 1.212 M_{tot}/a$ (Oelker et al. 2017)

t_D > t_{MS} more reliable (but it could be false)

t_D < t_{MS} less reliable (but it could be real)











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Two different populations??





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Ultra-wide binaries may exits but they should be rare





Our vs. TGAS







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- Large TGAS errors
- Andrews et al. claimed a low contaminations of only 6% (??!!)



Bright Wide Binary/Mult. Stars with Gaia & VO



The SVO archive of double and multiple star systems from Gaia-DR2



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First 50 results shown (11550 found)

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http://svo2.cab.inta-csic.es/vocats/v2/comovingGaiaDR2/





Conclusions

- We used a simple method to discover commoving systems
- We created an online catalogue with 3,741 commoving systems
- We estimated a contamination rate between 20-30%
 - Contamination increase with the projected physical separation
 - 1-5% for s < 50,000 au \rightarrow 1,040 high reliable binary systems
- TGAS catalogues:
 - High degree of contamination
 - Bimodality disappears
 - We cannot confirm the ultra-wide binary population (RV from Gaia-DR3)





Thank you!!

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