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The Gaia legacy: Gravitation and multi-messenger astronomy with Gaia NIR

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Gaia Data Processing and Analysis **Consortium (DPAC)**



RAMOD is a framework of general relativistic astrometric models with increasing intrinsic accuracy, adapted to many different observer's settings, interfacing numerical and analytical relativity

fully based on alghorithms in General Relativity (GR) -> no a priori approximations, top-down approach

simultaneous observations in a curved space-time -> GR protocol measurements







GREM,

baselined for the Astrometric Global Iterative Solution for Gaia (AGIS), based on post-Newtonian approximations



Klioner S. A., Astron. Astrophys., 404 (2003) 783.

GREM observed direction converts into a coordinate one via several steps , which separate the effects of the aberration, the gravitational deflection, the parallax, and proper motion-> **bottom-up approach**





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GW Strain

Telescope optical resolution

 $\frac{1}{2}\overline{\ell}_{0}^{j}\overline{\ell}_{0}^{k}(2h_{ij,k}^{GW}-h_{jk,i}^{GW})-\overline{\ell}_{0}^{j}h_{ij,0}^{GW}+\frac{\overline{\ell}_{0}^{j}\overline{\ell}_{0}^{k}\overline{\ell}_{0}^{i}}{2}h_{jk,0}^{GW}$

extra-shift due to a passing GW

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Avantages in using close pairs of stars:

- implementing multiple (at least 3) line-of-sights within a relatively compact configuration
- the 3 perturbed angles in the three orthogonal directions are directly linked to the GW strain -> source direction!
- the GW observability is AMPLIFIED through a factor depending on the angle between the unperturbed directions to star-like objects that acts as a "signal amplifier" for the GW detection, limited only by the resolving power of the optics
- mitigation of high perturbative terms; large number of null geodesics, link the properties of a GW source with extensive statistic; avoid satellite's attitude

$max(\delta\psi^{GW}_{1,2})$	$max(\delta\psi^{GW}_{3,4})$	$max(\delta\psi^{GW}_{5,6})$	A_+	ψ_{i_0,j_0}
(μas)	(μas)	(μas)	(radians)	(")
4.12×10^{-15}	5.12	5.12	10^{-18}	0.01
$4.12 \ \times 10^{-16}$	51.57	51.57	10^{-18}	0.001

supernova, $f_{GW} = 10^3 \text{ Hz}$

The New Observable:

Three lines-of-sight for GW discrimination and full characterization (including 'phase closure', i.e. direction)



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AstroGraWAnt can pinpoint GW source direction to unprecedented, sub-arcsecond, precision as a game changer in multi-wavelength/multi-messenger identification and astrophysical characterization campaigns

-> GW sentinel to build statistic on event rate ("survey" of GW sources)



_____10^-4 Spectral Density Function of the Astrometric Gravitational Wave Antenna I.

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Perspectives for the GW astrometric detection with Gaia&GaiaNIR

Gaia actual mission life time (after 3 extensions): 10.6 yrs, i.e., flim 3 x 10-9 Hz + Gaia-NIR

Methods:

1. Analyze through Vectorial Spherical Harmonics the proper motions of millions of QSOs -> GW induced common pattern on proper motions

2. differential procedure similar to that of GAREQ experiment with Gaia [Crosta & Mignard, 2006 CQG, Abbas et al., 2021, A&A] to monitor angular distances from close Gaia stellar pairs (i.e., observed during the same transits on focal plane) -> digitally replicate the measurement principle of ASTROGRAWANT



• **Synergies with IPTA and ET** (RU- INAF OATo "GW sources survey and signal sentinel")

Exploit long astrometric time series for millions of sources





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The small curvature limit in General Relativity may not coincide with the Newtonian regime

-> need to compare the GR model and the classical/(Lambda)-CDM model one for the MW

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Einstein field Eq.s

Set of differential equations for velocities **and** density

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DR3 sample:

- complete Gaia astrometric dataset
- 3 bands (G, BP, RP)

parallaxes good to 20%

- radial velocity with better 20% than uncertainties
- 719143 young disc stars within |z| < 1 kpc and up to R = 19kpc

241'918 OBA stars, 475'520 RGB giants, and 1'705 Cepheides

radial cut at 4.5 kpc

to avoid the bar influence



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Geometry-driven and dark-matter-sustained Milky Way rotation curves with Gaia DR3 W.Beordo, M.Crosta, MG Lattanzi, P. Re Fiorentin, A. Spagna in publication

Best fit estimates as the median of the posteriors and their 1σ level credible interval



- r_{in} = bulge size *
- **R**_{out} = extension of the MW disk-> Galaxy size
- V_0 = velocity in the flat regime *





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This again favourably points to the fact that a gravitational dragging-like effect could sustain a flat rotation curve

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Peering into hidden parts is utmost fundamental to establish boundary matching conditions between internal/ external Einstein's solutions new solutions & new observables (i.e. metric solutions to describe the evolution of a multistructured Galaxy, avoiding unphysical global solutions)

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Gaia-Nir will peer through the dust of the MW to create a dense sampling of the phase-space to further test the bulge, bar, bar-disc interface and spiral arms

Distribution of 18 million high luminosity stars (i.e., young OB, giants and subgiants) from Gaia DR3



A new kinematic model of the Galaxy: analysis of the stellar velocity field from Gaia D3, Akhmetov et al. 2024, under review process

Kinematic analysis of the Galaxy with Gaia DR3 using a Taylor decomposition of the velocity field up to second order -> maps of the velocity components and of their partial derivatives with respect to Galactocentric coordinates within 10 kpc of the Sun reveal complex substructures





Second order partial derivatives of the stellar velocity field allows us to determine the values of the vertical gradient of the Galaxy azimuthal, radial and vertical velocities-> spiral arms



 Extend the MW "geometries" to other galaxies:, the "geometries" of the Galaxy can play a reference role for other galaxies, just like the Sun for stellar models

MCMC fit to external Galaxies

Velocity profiles (SPARC data) **Classical (MWC)** GR (BG)

NGC1090 150 V[km s⁻¹] 100 50 $V^{
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- relativistic kinematics, new GW detection (and GW direction with sub-arcsec accuracy!) via differential astrometry: for common stars
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 Relativistic astrometry -> GR models for data analysis and processing, methods of cross-checking verifications, GR tools to update BCRS,
 M~2 billion common stars from Gaia with a 20yr time gap would give PM's 20 times better and open many new science cases; sub-µarcsec PMs







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 [s for the MW substructures; astrophysical nature of GW sources *Mastrometry and photometry to probe the dynamically important hidden regions/populations of the Galaxy* GW signatures from white dwarfs, stellar BHs and/or lensing effects *More than the second s Molecan what dark matter is and how is it distributed, how the Milky Way was formed and how has it been impacted by mergers and collisions?*

Many thanks for your attention!

* The mandatory use of GR for astrometry in space has opened new possibilities and strategies to apply Einstein's Theory in classical astronomy domain and provided "laboratories" to exploit at best the standard theory of gravity, , i.e. any modification of GR is done with GR as background

> From Relativistic Astrometry to Gravitational Astrometry: data interpretation, the impact of GR models for Fundamental Physics/ Local Cosmology

 Relativistic astrometry -> GR models for data analysis and processing, methods of cross-checking verifications, GR tools to update BCRS,
 M~2 billion common stars from Gaia with a 20yr time gap would give PM's 20 times better and open many new science cases; sub-µarcsec PMs





