## Stellar characterization of planet hosts

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#### **Motivations**

#### Strong link between the planetary systems and their host stars

- Planet properties depend on adopted stellar properties (mass, radius, age)
- Dependence of planet frequency and properties on stellar mass and metallicity
- Link with planet structure and atmospheric composition
- Role of dynamical environment (binaries, clusters): disk truncation; dynamical perturbations
- Star-planet interactions (tidal effects; atmosphere evaporation)
- The challenge of magnetic activity for planet detectability (especially with RV)

# **Traditional expertise on stellar science at OAPD** (specific background by several of us)

### **Direct imaging & age**

Searching for self-luminous planets. Inferred planet masses or detection limits depend strongly on the adopted stellar age



- Specific expertise for the characterization of young stars (SPHERE resp.)
- Approach: considering variety of indicators membership to groups/clusters/associations; lithium; rotation (gyrochronology); chromospheric and coronal activity; isochrone fitting



### **Magnetic activity**

- Active regions alter the profile of the spectral lines, seen as spurious RV variations
- Photometric variability also affects the transit techniques
- Specific expertise in the modeling of stellar activity (rotational modulations, activity cycles) and lots of high-quality data in the framework of the GAPS collaboration (Claudi+; Nardiello+; Ruggieri+)





#### Chemical abundance of young active stars

- Alterations of temperature profile in the stellar atmosphere of active stars
- Standard analysis produces unreliable results.
  Spurious effects of microturbulence; large enhancement of abundance of some elements (e.g. Ba) in young stars.
- Optimized technique considering Fe and Ti lines mitigates the issue



Baratella+2020

#### The impact of stellar multiplicity

- Dynamical impact of stellar companions on the presence and characteristics of planets
- disk truncation at formation stage
  dynamical interactions at any epoch (e.g. eccentricity enhancement)
- First OAPD exoplanet project was on planets in binaries (SARG at TNG; 2000-2012)
- Unified view of companions over full mass ratio and separation range (especially relevant for brown dwarfs)



Multiplicity of B stars in the Sco-Cen association (Gratton+2023)

#### **Abundance differences between binary components**

- How rare are stable planetary systems around Sun-like stars?
- Planet engulfment events can leave a mark on the chemical pattern of stars. Stellar atmospheres are enriched of rocky-forming elements, while volatile elements remain unadulterated.
- It is by studying the frequency of chemically dissimilar stars in binary systems that we can get insights on the nature of these events (e.g., Spina 2024).





Abundances from Ramirez+14

#### **Rejuvenated objects**

- We met few times stars with WD companions at few tens of au
- Misclassified as young because of accretion of angular momentum through stellar wind
- Also peculiar abundance pattern linked to the accreted material from WD progenitor while on AGB



## **The PLATO Input Catalog**

- Responsible for selection of PLATO field and of (pre-selected for on-board processing) targets
- Long-lasting efforts merging expertise in stellar properties, Galactic structure, and exoplanet science
- First PLATO field now released





Montalto+2021; Nascimbeni+2022, Nascimbeni+ in prep.

### **Participation to the Ariel consortium**

 Participation to the Ariel stellar characterization Working Group (lead by C. Danielski, INAF-OAA)



 We use our Bayesian tool PARAM 1.5+ (<u>http://stev.oapd.inaf.it/param</u>) to estimate stellar properties (ages, masses and radii) of the *Ariel Candidate Sample*, by comparing observational data with a grid of stellar models.



(*left*) Example of PARAM output using as input Teff, [M/H] and luminosity (by SED+Gaia parallax) (*right*) Results on Magrini+22 Ariel sub-sample.



Bossini et al. (in prep)



- Relevant activities focused on stellar science within the exoplanet groups and projects
- Coordination roles on target selection and target properties (PLATO, SPHERE, etc.)
- Further synergies within our institutes beyond the current teams possible