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Une pierre deux maisons trois ruines quatre: fossoyeurs un jardin des fleurs



une douzaine d'huîtres un citron un pain un rayon de soleil une lame de fond six musiciens une porte avec son paillasson un monsieur décoré de la légion d'honneur

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= The 'guiding line' for my 5 lectures ...

Classification of binary stars

Contents

i) Mass transfer classes: detached, semi-detached, contact (WUMa)

Technical intermezzi about Roche lobes, mass-radius exponents, mass-transfer rates (Bondi-Hoyle), time scales (adiabatic, thermal, nuclear), stability of mass transfer [→ Lionel Siess]

ii) Evolutionary-stage classes

Two examples: - post-AGB stars - Barium stars

Technical intermezzo : Heavy-element synthesis

Eggleton's classification: evolutionary class and mass transfer modes A, B, C Important diagnostics of mass transfer modes: (a) eccentricity - period diagrams

- (b) mass-function distributions
 - → constraints on companion masses

→ The Algol paradox (Algols, β Lyr, SV Cen/ W Ser)

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iii) Observational-property classes [→ Tsevi Mazeh, Tom Marsh]
Technical intermezzo : Orbital elements
visual/interferometric, astrometric, spectroscopic (SB1, SB2)
Technical intermezzo : Masses
difficulties with spectroscopy : - the case of binaries involving long-period variables
- MACHO : the puzzle of sequence D (all ellipsoidal?)
photometric: (a) geometry (eclipses: Algols - β Lyr, ζ Aur - VV Cep, ellipsoidal : W UMa)
(b) dust (sequence D?, ε Aur)
(c) spots (RS CVn)
confusion between RS CVn and pre-main sequence binaries (e - P again)
(d) eruptive: [→ Tom Marsh]
(d.1) novae : MS + WD (slow mass accretion)
(d.2) dwarf novae and cataclysmic variables $[\rightarrow T. Marsh, G. Nelemans]$
MS + WD (fast mass accretion, accretion disk, magnetic
field or not)
DQ Her, AM Her
(d.3) symbiotics: giant + WD
(d.4) SNIa: WD + WD (?)

(e) X -rays : HMXRB (neutron stars, black holes), LMXRB = CV [→ G. Nelemans]

Classification of binary stars

i) Mass transfer

A technical parenthesis first about Roche lobes

Roche lobe (I)

The Roche model (E. Roche 1820–1883) of a binary system:



 \rightarrow binary system at rest in a frame corotating with the orbital motion.

In this frame, define effective equipotential surfaces for the gravitational potential corrected for centrifugal effects :



Roche lobe (II)



Roche lobe (III)



in units where the orbital period and separation are taken as unit time and distance, and total mass as unit mass.

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An alternative expression, valid for all q, is

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Eggleton, 1983, ApJ 268, 368

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Do not confuse radius of Roche lobe $R_{R,2}$ with distance between star(s) and L_1 :

 $r(M_1 \text{to } L_1) = a (0.50 + 0.227 \log q)$ $r(M_2 \text{to } L_1) = a (0.50 - 0.227 \log q)$



Classification of binary stars

common envelope



Classification of binary stars

i) Mass transfer



Mass transfer: a. Detached system a. wind accretion **b. Semi-detached system b.** Roche-lobe overflow c. Contact system a. Wind accretion Mo detached M semi-detached mass transfer Roche-lobe overflow Roche lobe (RLOF) common M_2 M envelope

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Note that there is no accretion of angular momentum because the tangential velocity components cancel out

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$$\dot{M}_{\rm B-H} = \beta \pi R_{\rm H-L}^2 v_{\infty} \rho_{\infty} \left(\frac{(v_{\infty}/c)^2}{1 + (v_{\infty}/c)^2} \right)^{3/2}$$



In a binary system: • ρ_{∞} from $\dot{M}_{wind} = 4\pi r^2 \rho(r) v_{wind}$,

with r set to a

• v_{∞} replaced by $v_{\rm orb} + v_{\rm wind}$.

Thus:

$$\frac{\dot{M}_{acc}}{\dot{M}_{wind}} = -2\pi \frac{\beta}{a^2} \left(\frac{(G M_{acc})^2}{v_{wind}^2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{[1 + (v_{orb}/v_{wind})^2 + (c/v_{wind})^2]^{3/2}}$$

or using Kepler's third law:

$$\dot{M}_{\rm acc}/\dot{M}_{\rm wind} = -\beta\mu^2 \frac{k^4}{[1+k^2+(c/v_{\rm wind})^2]^{3/2}},$$

where $\mu \equiv M_{\rm accretor}/(M_{\rm accretor}+M_{\rm loser}), k = \frac{v_{\rm orb}}{v_{\rm wind}}$



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Accretion column, tilted by an angle $\gamma = \arctan v_{wind} / v_{orb}$ with respect to the orbital motion, with matter falling onto the compact star from its rear side (as viewed from the mass-losing star) with a rate \dot{M}_{B-H}



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'Spiral arm' feature has been observed in some binary systems: AFGL 3068, R Scl

mass transfer rates RLOF : $R = R_R$ conservative mass transfer $\dot{M}_{acc} = \dot{M}_{RLOF}$



 $\dot{M}_{\rm RLOF}$ is limited by the flow compression through the inner Lagrangian point, where it flows at sound speed with a rate:

$$-\dot{M}_{\mathrm{RLOF}} = \dot{M}_{\mathrm{loser}} e^{\left(\frac{-(R_R-R)}{H_P}\right)},$$

where H_P is the pressure scale height in the mass-donor star, \dot{M}_{loser} is a characteristic mass-loss rate of the donor.

Lubow & Shu 1975, ApJ 198, 383 Ritter 1988, A&A 202, 93 Kolb & Ritter 1990, A&A 236, 385

Classification of binary stars:

- i) Mass transfer

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a. Detached system



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iii) Evolutionary stages, connected through stellar-evolution tracks [-> Siess]



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A few examples of binaries defined by their evolutionary stages



iii) Evolutionary stage [peculiar] 'abundance' binary: - metal-depleted post-AGB star Sun's Post-Main Sequence Evolutionary Track Effective Temperature, K 7,000 6,000 30,000 10,000 4,000 -10--105 -8-Planetary Nebula stage -6--104 SUPERGIANTS (I) exposed core remnant -4cools rapidly and -103 to Sun -2flash contracts to white dwarf Absolute Magnitude, My GIANTS (II,III) -1028 He→C+O HB 0-2-N SEQUENCE (V) - 10 RGB - 10 - 1 Imminosity c 4 H→He Sun 6--101 8-**RGB** - Red Giant Branch HB - Horizontal Branch White Dwarf 10-AGB - Asymptotic Giant Branch stage - 102 Sirius B 12-- 10⁻³ 0 Procyon B 14-Colour Index (B - V) 104 +0.9 -0.5 +0.6 +0.8 0.0 +0.3 MO 05 FO ко BO A0 G0 Spectral Class




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The binary zoo

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A given binary has a location in each 3 classification schemes; however, often its classification is only known in 1 or 2 schemes:

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Nice achievements in that respect have just been discussed : Post-AGB stars (KULeuven !) Barium and Tc-no S stars (ULB !) Knowing the location of a binary (family) in all 3 schemes often is the goal of binary-star research ! To help this process, a comp

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Example:

case AD = case A with Dynamic RLOF: MMD \rightarrow MMS \rightarrow (M \rightarrow H \rightarrow G \rightarrow W)MC



case C = RLOF during asymptotic giant branch and $4M_{\odot}$) or case the maximum r



- a mass-transfer mode

simplest 'case A..', 'B..', 'C..'

Table 3.7. Some major modes of evolution

0-NE-Nuclear evolution

1-F1, R1-RLOF: mass transfer, forward (F) or reverse (R), slow (Nuclear or MB) timescale;

Section 3.3

2-F2, R2-RLOF: ditto, fast (thermal) timescale; Section 3.3

cases A, B, or C



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$$\dot{a} = f_a(a, e, M, \dot{M})$$
$$\dot{P} = f_P(a, e, M, \dot{M})$$
$$\dot{e} = f_e(a, e, M, \dot{M})$$
$$\dot{M} = f_M(a, e, M)$$
$$\frac{a^3}{P^2} = M = M_1 + M_2$$

Canonical binary evolution

- Hurley, J. R., Tout, C. A., & Pols, O. R. 2002, MNRAS 329, 897

- P. Eggleton, Evolutionary Processes in Binary and Multiple Stars, Cambridge Univ. Press, 2001

Hence, from a_0 , P_0 , e_0 , M_0 , and these equations, it is possible to derive (e, P) for the current value of M.

Eccentricity - period (e - P) diagrams may provide clues to identify mass-transfer / interaction processes

For example:





I.About the possibility to accrete spin angular momentum in detached binaries

A hot debate...

From observations of rapidly-rotating post-masstransfer stars (in detached binaries?): YES







• Fast winds (binaries with OB stars): $k \equiv v_{\rm orb}/v_{\rm wind} << 1$

Accretion column, tilted by an angle $\gamma = \arctan v_{wind} / v_{orb}$ with respect to the orbital motion, with matter falling onto the compact star from its rear side (as viewed from the mass-losing star) with a rate \dot{M}_{B-H}

• Slow winds (detached binary systems involving an AGB star): $k \equiv v_{\rm orb}/v_{\infty} >> 1$

Accretion column distorted by Coriolis effect, must be investigated numerically. Accretion rates $\leq 0.1 M_{B-H}$ Theuns & Jorissen 1993, MNRAS 265, 946 Mastrodemos & Morris 1998, ApJ 497, 303 Folini & Walder 2000, Ap&SS 274, 189 Nagae et al. 2004, A&A 419, 335 Jahanara et al., 2005, A&A 441, 589 Wind may be increased by tidal forces Tout & Eggleton 1988, MNRAS 231, 823 Frankowski & Tylenda 2001, A&A 367, 513 Eccentricity - period (e - P) diagrams may provide clues to identify mass-transfer / interaction processes

For example:

A compilation of (e – log P) diagrams for several classes of pre- and post-mass-transfer binaries: Jorissen et al., 2009, A&A 498, 489











Specific orbital energy
$$\varepsilon = \frac{E_{\text{tot}}}{\mu}$$
:
 $\varepsilon = \frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{\mu}{r} = -\frac{1}{2}\frac{\mu^2}{h^2}(1 - e^2) = -\frac{\mu}{2a}$

h = specific angular momentum

= total relative angular momentum / reduced mass

$$\overline{h} = \overline{r} \times \overline{v} = \frac{\overline{J}_{tot}}{\mu} = \frac{\overline{J}_1 + \overline{J}_2}{\mu}$$
$$J = \left(\frac{G M_1^2 M_2^2 a}{M_1 + M_2}\right)^{1/2} (1 - e^2)^{1/2}$$
$$= \mu \left[G(M_1 + M_2) a(1 - e^2)\right]^{1/2}$$
$$= \mu h$$
$$h = \left[G(M_1 + M_2) a(1 - e^2)\right]^{1/2}$$

Hence, from

$$\varepsilon = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\mu^2}{h^2} (1 - e^2),$$

minimum energy ε at constant angular momentum *h* is reached when e = 0





Which interaction / masstransfer processes account for this kind of evolution?




Another significant difference between initial and final samples : the mass functions

Mass functions for SB1:

$$f(M) = \frac{\left(M_{\text{comp}} \sin i\right)^3}{\left(M_{\text{primary}} + M_{\text{comp}}\right)^2}$$



Under the assumption that the orbits are oriented at random in space, the inclination angle *i* distributes as sin *i* :

Prob(i) di = sin i di

Hence, for a large sample of stars, the distribution of f(M) reflects the distributions of M_{primary} and $M_{\text{companion}}$

















The Algol paradox : on-going mass transfer...

The defining properties of Algols are

- finally theory/binary : on-going, slow mass transfer (case A, nuclear time scale)









The binary zoo

Classification of binary stars:

i)

There are three possible ways to classify binary stars, based on:

Mass transfer: a. Detached system b. Semi-detached system c. Contact system

ii) Observational properties

a. photometric binary
b. [peculiar] 'abundance' binary
c.
iii) Evolutionary stage

Knowing the location of the binary in all 3 schemes often is the goal of binary-star research !

a. wind accretion b. Roche-lobe overflow



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We now go through every class of 'observational properties'

But first, some definitions about orbital elements... [-> Mazeh, Marsh]

Orbital elements

Relative orbit (B with respect to A)



Kepler third law (in relative orbit):

$$a^3/P^2 = G (M_A + M_B)/4\pi^2$$

Orbital elements

Size of orbit:

- a semi-major axis (B wrt A)
- e eccentricity = $\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}/a$ (b = semi-minor axis)

Orientation in plane:

 ω argument of periastron

Orientation of plane wrt sky:

- Ω Position angle of ascending node
- *i* inclination on the plane of the sky

Time:

- P orbital period
- T Epoch of passage (usually at periastron)











Astrometric binaries (I)

Basic principles



Astrometric binaries(II)

Basic principles



Astrometry (V)

Color-induced displacement - Application to SDSS



The position of the photocentre of two stars with different colours is a function of wavelength (e.g., Gunn u,g,r,i,z) but is always located on the segment joining the two stars.

Look for stars with d(u, z) > 0.2" [and exclude asteroids !]

These stars are binaries (mostly WD + MV pairs) because they also exhibit composite colors

Pourbaix et al. 2004, A&A 423, 755



$\Delta \mu$ binaries (I)

Proper motion measured on short time scale (e.g. Hipparcos: 3 y) with respect to orbital period will contain a strong orbital component and will differ from true proper motion measured on long time scale (e.g. Tycho-2: 100 y)



Astrometry (VI)

$\Delta \mu$ binaries (II)

 $\Delta \mu$ binaries found among spectroscopic binaries with known *P*:

• expected at $P > \sim 1500$ d

triple systems at P <~ 400 d</p>

Frankowski et al. 2007, A&A 464, 377

Detection efficiency of $\Delta \mu$ binaries rises to 100% at parallaxes > 30 mas



The various kinds of binaries

	Туре	Notation	Two stars visible?	orbit	dimension
	visual and interformetric	VB	yes	relative	angular
	astrometric	AB	yes no	relative photocentric	angular
	spectroscopic	SB2 SB1	yes no	absolute absolute	linear



Spectroscopic binaries (I)

Detection (of absolute orbit) based on the Doppler effect:







Spectroscopic binaries (II)

The radial-velocity curve



$$V_r(G) + \frac{dz(A)}{dt}$$
$$V_r(G) + K_A(e\cos\omega + \cos(\omega + \nu(t)))$$

Spectroscopic binaries (III)

The radial-velocity curve



Spectroscopic binaries: HERMES/Mercator spectrograph





Spectroscopic binaries (III)

The radial-velocity curve




Spectroscopy: Difficulties (III)

Only partial access to orbital elements

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where

- If only one observable spectrum (A) (because companion too faint: on the low MS or WD) :
 - degeneracy between *i* and a_A : $K_A \propto a_A \sin i$ (relative *a* cannot be derived)

$$K_{A} = \frac{2\pi}{P} \times \frac{a_{A}\sin i}{(1-e^{2})^{1/2}}$$

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$$= K_A^3 P \left(1 - e^2\right)^{3/2} / \left(2\pi G\right)^3$$

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Same for $V_r(B)$ and K_B

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if two observable spectra (components of approx. equal L, aka 'composite spectra'): only M_A sin i, M_B sin i, M_A/M_B

The various kinds of binaries and deriving masses



Spectroscopy: Difficulties (I)

Despite the fact that the spectral Doppler shift is unavoidable in a binary, there are binary families however where it is hard, even impossible, to detect:

Pulsation of atmosphere (Miras, Cepheids, RV Tau...) causes intrinsic velocity variations and make binary detection difficult/impossible



Spectroscopy: Difficulties (V)

Intrinsic radial-velocity variations: Miras



The radial-velocity curve (0) of the Mira star R CMi is strongly correlated with its light curve (•)

$$P_{
m puls} = 337.8
m d$$

 $K_{
m puls} = 8
m km/s$

 \rightarrow intrinsic Vr variations due to pulsation

(Jorissen, 2003, AGB Stars, eds. Habing & Olofsson, Springer)

Spectroscopy: Difficulties (VII)

Intrinsic radial-velocity variations: Miras



Spectroscopy: Difficulties (VIII)

Intrinsic radial-velocity variations: Miras



Vr semi-amplitude $K_{puls} \ge 10$ km/s due to pulsation for Mira variables

$$K_{\text{orb}} (\text{km/s}) =$$

213 $f(M_A, M_B)^{1/3} P^{-1/3}(d) (1 - e^2)^{-1/2}$

Adopting

 $P = 1000 \text{ d}, e = 0, M_A = 1.5 \text{ M}_o, M_B = 0.5 \text{ M}_o$ yields $K_{\text{orb}} = 6.7 \text{ km/s} < K_{\text{puls}}$

(Jorissen, 2003, AGB Stars, eds. Habing & Olofsson, Springer)

Not many spectroscopic binaries are known among Mira variables because $K_{orb} \leq K_{puls}$ Other detection methods must be used!

Photometry: MACHO (I)

Originally, a survey for micro lensing events
 in the LMC with Mount Stromlo 50" telescope



Photometry: MACHO (II)

A survey of long-period variables in the LMC

P-L relationship for LPVs in LMC



Wood 2000, PASA 17,18; Derekas et al., 2006, ApJ 650, L55

- C Mira fundamental mode
- A, B higher overtones

The enigmatic **D** and **E** sequences





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Nicholls et al. (2010 MNRAS 405, 1770) from radial velocities confirm that sequence E stars are binaries



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D ?? (also called 'LSP': 'long secondary periods')

25% of LMC LPV are on sequence D (!),

Can they all be binaries ?

For comparison, among M giants, the frequency of spectroscopic binaries with periods in the range 200 - 10000 d is between 16 and 21%

Photometry: MACHO (VII)



→ 25% of LMC LPVs fill their Roche lobe if all sequence D stars are binaries !?

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Photometry: MACHO (VII)

Binaries among LPVs: none from spectroscopy, too many from MACHO! 25% of LMC LPVs fill their Roche lobe if all sequence D stars are binaries !?

P~706.672d

1.5

P~260.512d

1.5

1



Green lines = P for RLOF Derekas et al., 2006, ApJ 650, L55

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What is the nature of the other D stars?

D sequence caused by dust obscuration in Roche-lobe-filling AGB stars? (Soszynski 2007, ApJ, 660, 1486) Dust in spiral wave forming around binary LPVs.

as predicted by SPH simulations

500 < = > < = >

Direct imaging of circumstellar shell: The proto PN AFGL 3068



Mauron & Huggins, 2006, A&A 452, 257 Periodic dust obscuration from this spiral wave is probably what causes variability along D sequence

Theuns & Jorissen 1993, MNRAS 265, 946 Mastrodemos & Morris 1998, ApJ 497, 303 Nagae et al. 2004, A&A 419, 335



More on photometry

Eclipses by dust: stars on sequence D



Soszynski 2007 ApJ 660, 1486

Photometric binaries: Eclipsing



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Other classes of eclipsing binaries :

- ε Aur : eclipses by an inclined disk, with a 27-yr period

- ζ Aur and VV Cep : eclipses of a hot main-sequence star by the atmosphere of a giant or supergiant : eclipses probe the wind from the hot star

Carpenter, 1992, IAU Symp 151, 51

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photometric (eclipsing, ellipsoidal)	EB	'yes' (composite)	relative	relative (radius *)

A given system may belong to more than one category!



Photometric binaries

These are the binaries we just discussed :

- Algols
 - Semidetached systems with main sequence primary and evolved secondary
 - Slow phase of mass transfer
 - Rapid rotators are a sub-class that may connect W Ser systems with normal Algols
- W UMa Systems
 - Overcontact systems with components of different mass but very similar temperatures
 - Details of structure not well-understood
 - Asymmetries in light curves that change on short timescales
- W Ser Systems
 - Semidetached systems in or just past the rapid phase of mass transfer
 - Strong emission lines in the UV
 - o Precursors of Algols?

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Photometric binaries: Spotted

- RS CVn Systems
 - Detached systems with F or G-type primary and K subgiant secondary
 - Enormous cool spots that migrate on a yearly timescale
 - The binary system is close enough (P < 100 d) for the stars to be spun up by tidal locking, which then causes a dynamo effect, magnetic field, and spots



Eccentricity - period diagrams

RS CVn often confused with pre-MS binaries, because

- both have spectral type K
- they fall in the same P range





e - P diagram for systems with KIII primaries from SB9 [The 9th Catalogue of Spectroscopic Binary Orbits] http:// sb9.astro.ulb.ac.be

RS CVn versus pre-main-sequence



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pre-main-sequence versus main-sequence period distribution



period distribution for all kinds of binaries



Photometric binaries: eruptive

novae : thern WD)	dwarf + WD (low accretion rate) a few: giant + WD ('symbiotic nova') nonuclear outbursts (non-destructive explosive H-burning on the	
cataclysmic variables:	dwarf + WD (high accretion rate with accretion disk): - dwarf novae	
	- AM Her (highly magnetic, no accretion disc) - DQ Her (moderately magnetic, accretion disc)	
accre	etion of disc instabilities	
Symbiotic : accre	giant + WD (neutron star in one case) sometimes accretion disc (Z And, X-ray flickering) most often no X-ray flickering (-> X-ray origin ?) accretion or disc instabilities	
supernovae type Ia : thern WDs	WD + WD nonuclear outbursts (destructive explosive C-burning in merging ?)	

Photometric binaries: eruptive



X-rays

Basics on X-ray binaries (III)

CVs = dwarf star + white dwarf in a short P, semi-detached system





Dwarf novae

Polars (AM Her systems): Highly magnetized white dwarfs

Intermediate Polars (DQ Her systems) Ionger P and wider separation: there is room for an accretion disk

X-rays

Basics on X-ray binaries (IV)

X-rays (photons with $h\nu > 0.1$ keV requiring $T > 10^6$ K) may come from:

hot stellar coronae (either single star or RS CVn binary)

RS CVn: dynamo caused by fast, synchronous rotation

- nuclear fusion (nova or symbiotic star)
 - Classical novae: explosive H-burning (10³³ 10³⁴ ergs/s)
 - Super soft sources : quiescent H-burning ?

accretion

- CVs = dwarf star + white dwarf in a short P, semi-detached system
 - Dwarf novae
 - Polars (AM Her systems)
 - Intermediate Polars (DQ Her systems)
- Algols = subgiant (less massive) + main sequence (more massive) in a semidetached system
- Symbiotics = giant star + white dwarf in a long P system but accretion-driven X-rays challenged !
- wind collision
 - Symbiotics

X-rays from binaries :

The case of symbiotic stars

Origin of X-rays not clear:

accretion disk, nuclear fusion, wind collision or fast rotation ?

Accretion-driven X-rays are accompanied by flickering with periods of minutes to days, Sokoloski 2003, ASP Conf. Ser. 303, p. 202 but flickering not often observed in symbiotic X rays!

 \rightarrow fast rotation as for RS CVn, with X-rays due to dynamo activity? Soker 2002, MNRAS 337, 1038

Intriguing possibility, because it requires a high incidence of fast rotation !

The WIRRING stars, or 'Wind-Induced Rapidly RotatING', Jeffries & Stevens, 1996, MNRAS 279, 180 are post-mass-transfer systems rotating fast, due to the accretion of spin angular momentum during the mass transfer !
Photometric binaries: X-rays

Low-mass X-ray binaries (related to dwarf novae and CVs)

High-mass X-ray binaries : neutron star or black hole companions

The bestiary

What should you have learned ?

DQ Her, AM Her RS CVn, pre-main sequence Algols, β Lyr, SV Cen, W Ser Z And (symbiotic) VV Cep, zeta Aur, eps Aur, MACHO sequence D CH (giants and subgiants), S (no-Tc), Ba, dwarf Ba, WIRRING, Abell 35 post-AGB SN la novae, dwarf novae LMXRB, HMXRB The concepts

cases A, B, C RLOF, Bondi-Hoyle, common envelope dynamical, thermal, nuclear time scales astrometric, interferometric, spectroscpic (SBI, SB2) eclipsing, ellipsoidal binaries e - P, mass function, deriving masses

