



WHY WAIT FOR DR3? 300,000+BINARIES IN GAIA DR2

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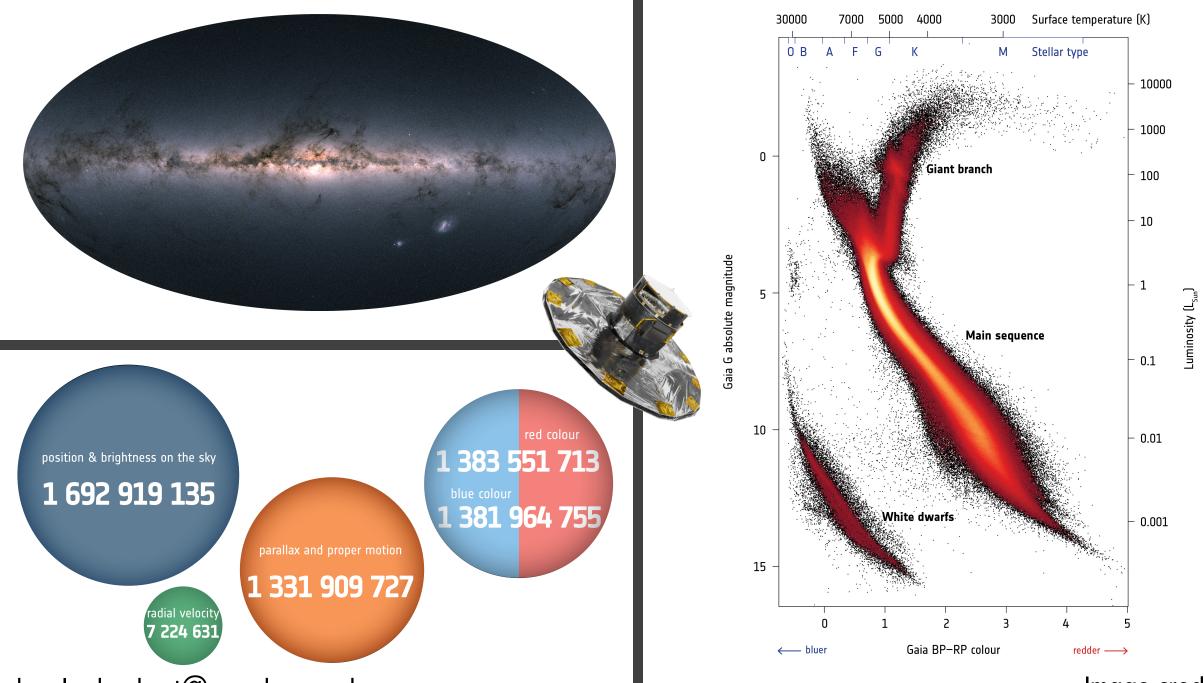
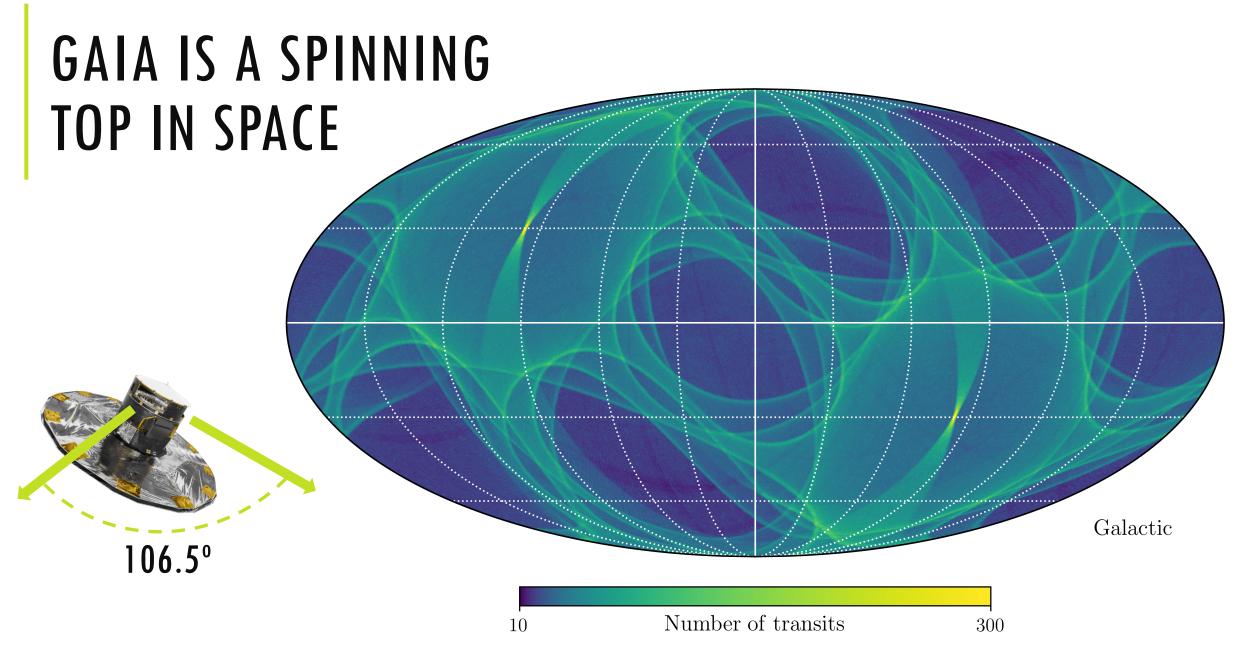
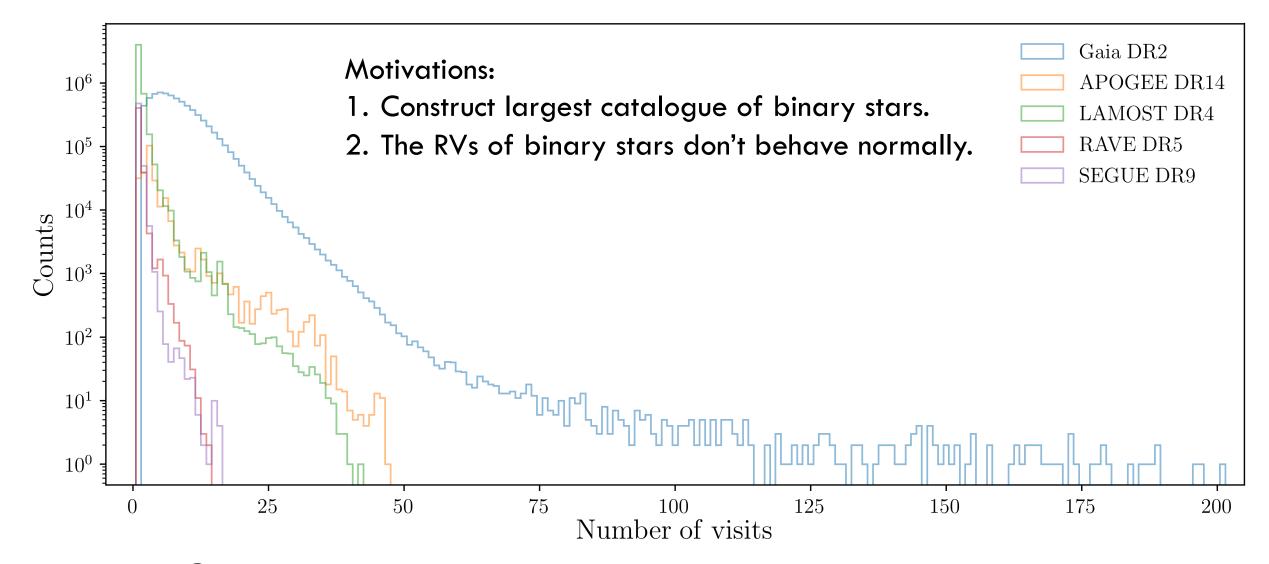


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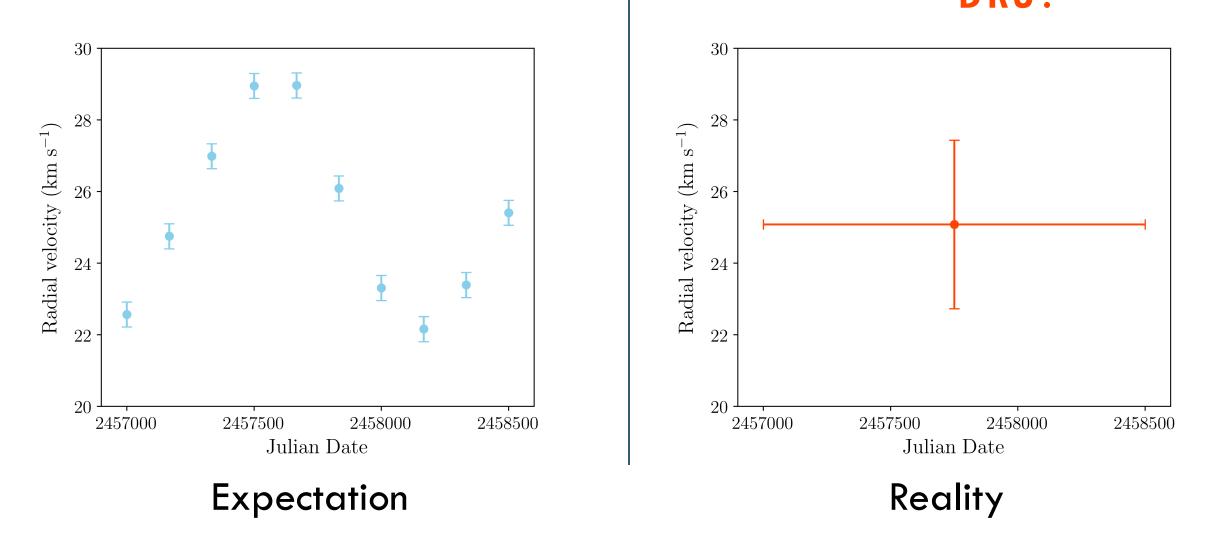


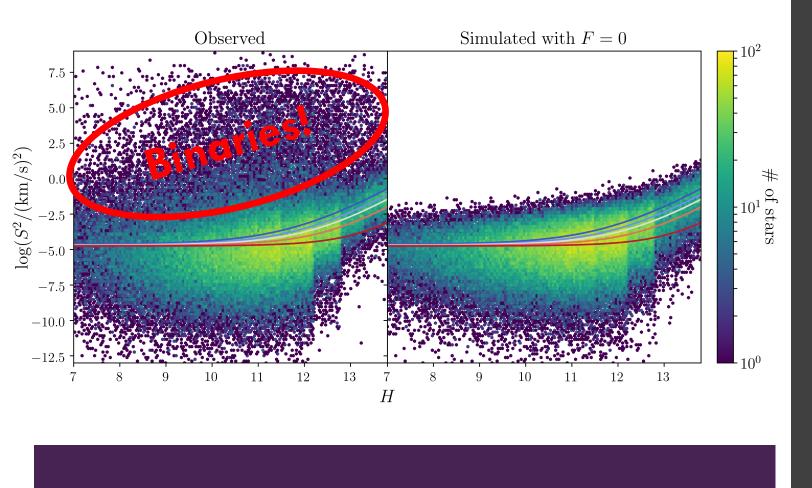
GAIA WILL FIND MILLIONS OF BINARIES



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CAN WE FIND BINARY STARS IN GAIA DR2?

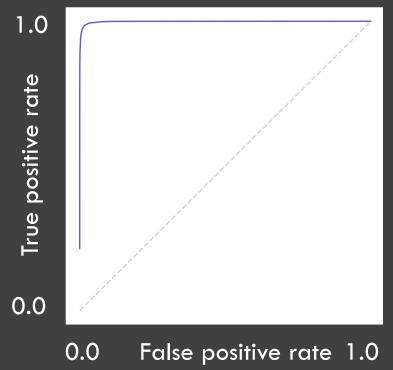




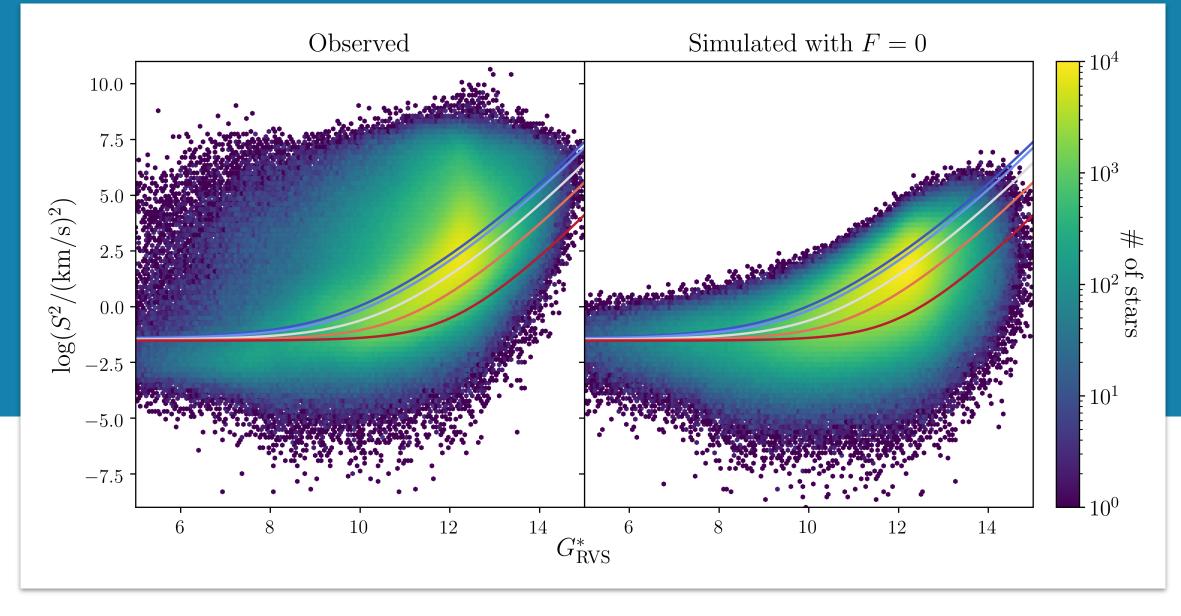
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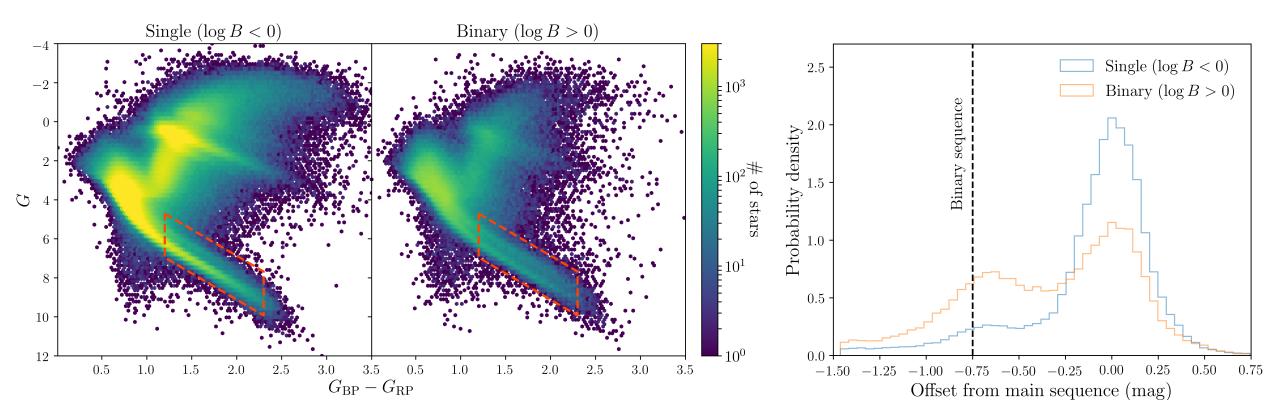
Our statistical model gives the 'evidence' that a star is a binary.

We can recover 99% of known binaries found by Price-Whelan et al. (2018) in APOGEE DR14.



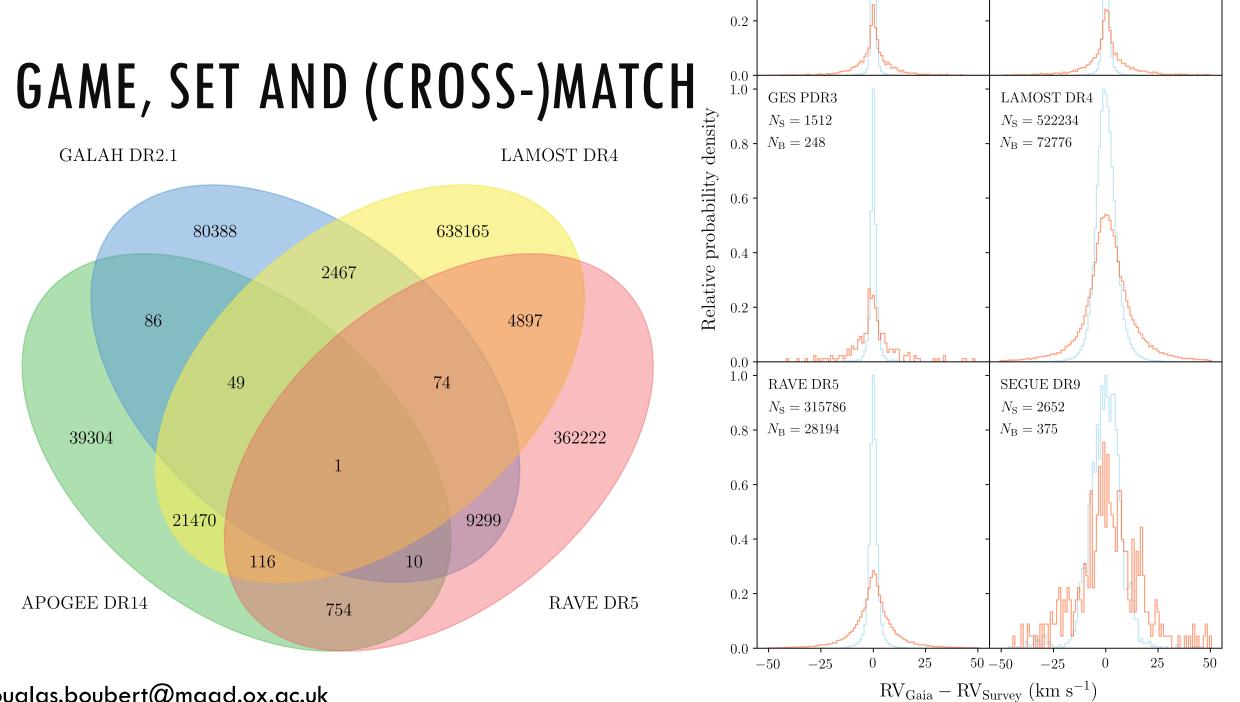
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A BINARY SEQUENCE EMERGES

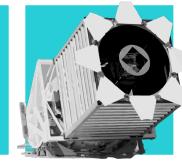
Binary sequence: Unresolved equal mass binary star



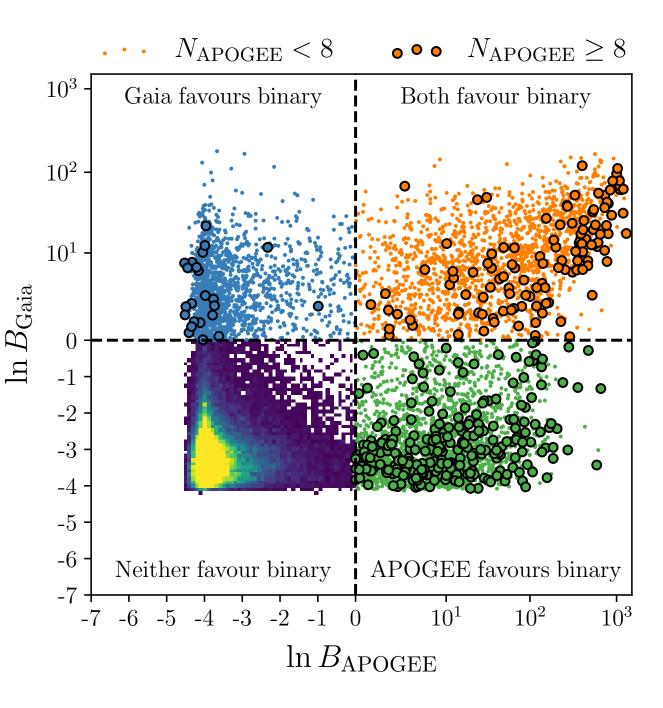


Classify stars as single or binary using Gaia data only.

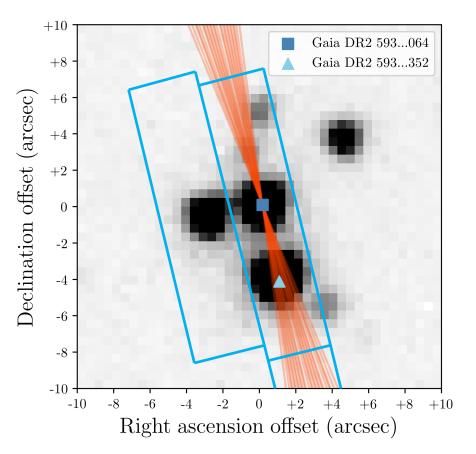
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A HYPERVELOCITY STAR OR A SPURIOUS VELOCITY?



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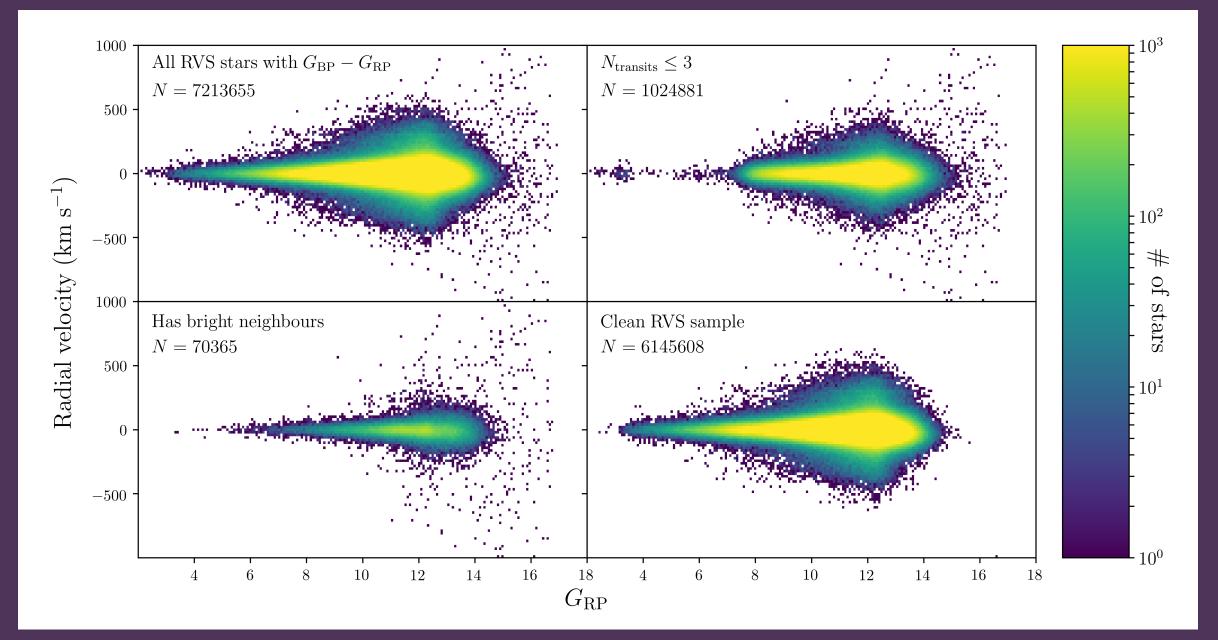
Julian Date	Radial Velocity (km s ⁻¹)
2458243.76	-70.0 ± 9.8
2458278.58	-43.3 ± 10.0
2458288.50	-59.0 ± 9.6
2458289.46	-54.7 ± 9.0
2458309.58	-82.5 ± 8.2
2458322.45	-46.7 ± 8.2
2458372.51	-58.2 ± 8.5
2458377.50	-52.3 ± 3.9
Our median	-56.5 ± 5.3
Gaia median	-614.3 ± 2.5
Difference	557.8 ± 5.9

Our eight follow-up epochs.

A slight tension is apparent.

KEY IDEAS:

All the transits can occur over a short period.
Gaia spectra can blend to give spurious RVs.



Assuming a $G_{RVS} = 12$ star that had ten Gaia DR2 RVS transits ...

Galactic

Probability of interference (%)

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106.5°

CONCLUSION

Gaia will be the best survey in history at finding spectroscopic binary stars ...

Millions of binaries are predicted to be found in DR3
Evidence of hundreds of thousands already in DR2

... but we need to remember that Gaia is a spinning top in space that looks in two directions at once.

Spurious RV medians from bright nearby neighbours
Spurious RV scatter from bright not-so-nearby neighbours