

# Data challenges of the Virtual Observatory in Time Domain Astronomy

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# □ Time Domain Astronomy

*The study of variability of astronomical objects over different time-scales*

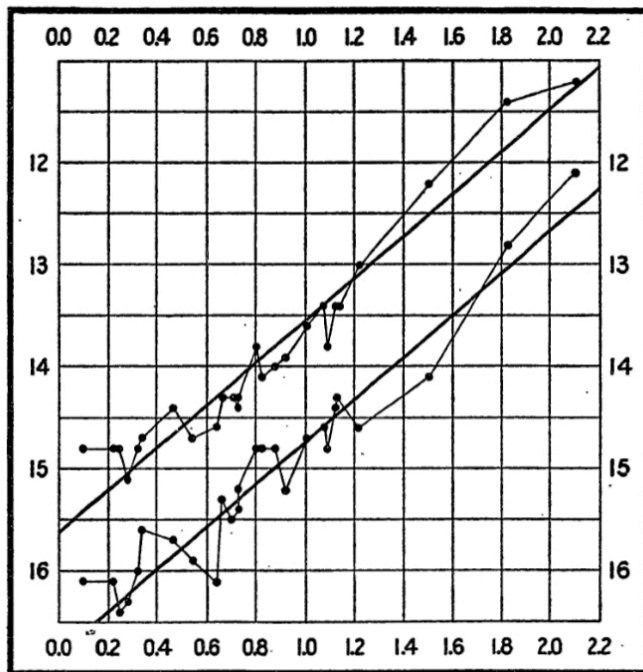
- A hot topic but a new field?



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- The Great Debate of 1920 on the **Scale of the Universe** (Curtis, Shapley)



Pickering 1912

- Observations of Cepheids showed the Universe is composed of many galaxies like our own.

## The first standard candles

period-luminosity relation

## Leavitt law

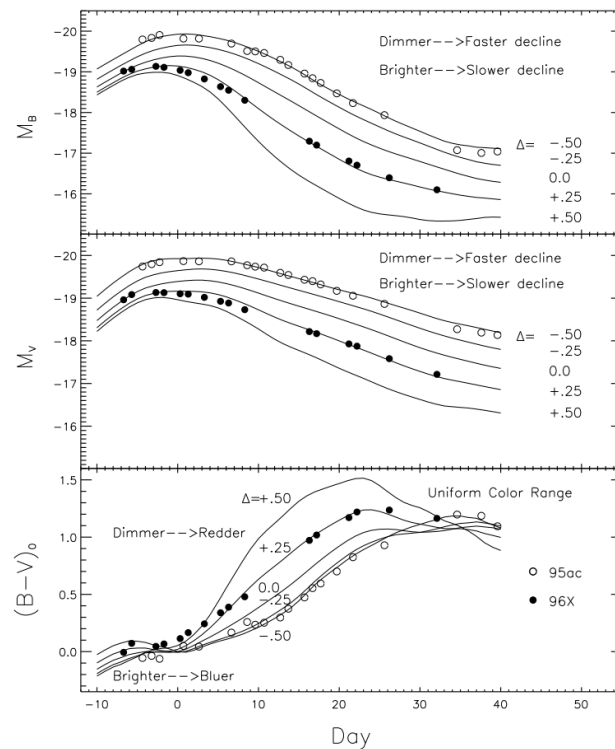
➡ Thanks to **Leavitt law** and the discovery of Cepheids in Andromeda



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- The Great Debate of 1998 on the **Nature of the Universe** (Peebles, Turner)



- Observations of **SNe Ia** first direct evidence of the cosmic acceleration

## Standard candles

luminosity — decay time relation

Riess et al. 1998; Perlmutter et al. 1999





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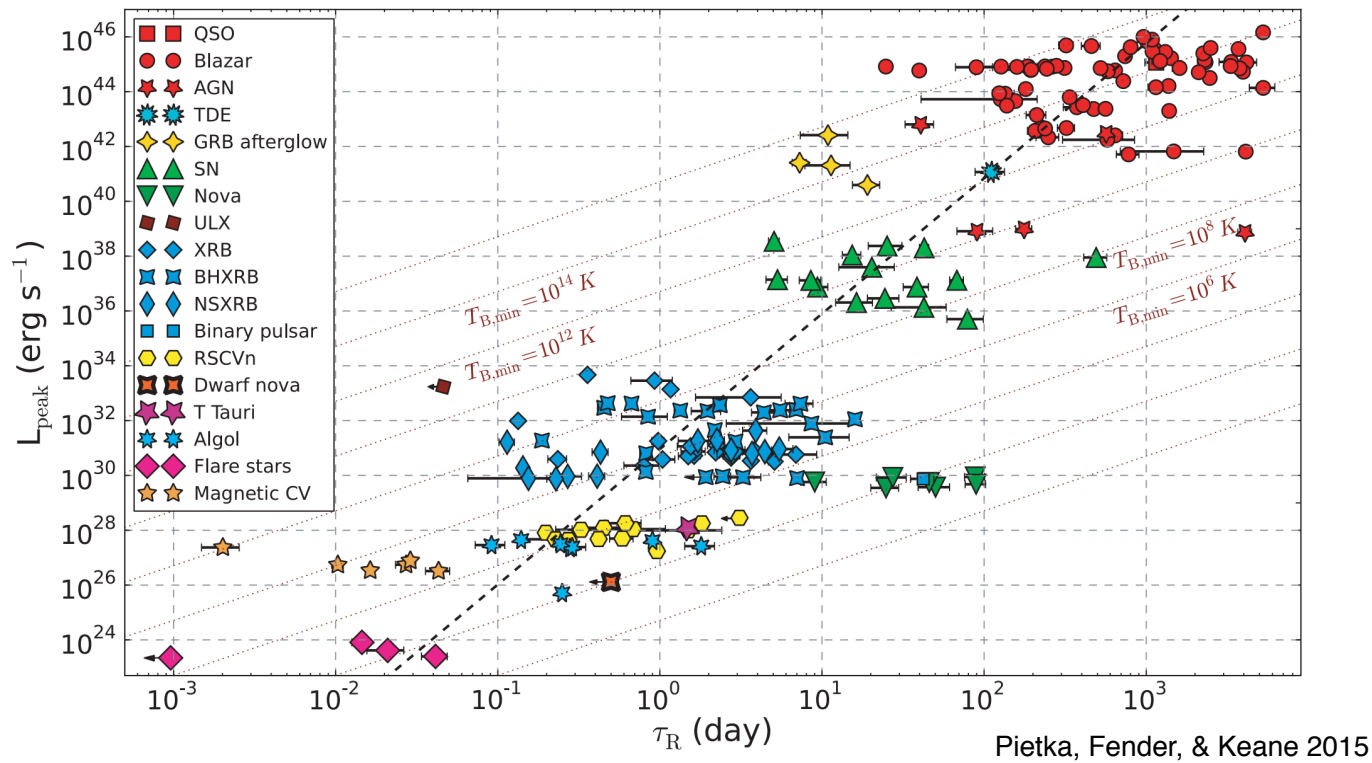
- What type of variable phenomena?
  - **Periodic**: binary orbits of stars/extrasolar planets, stellar rotation, stellar pulsation...
  - **Transient**: supernovae, gamma-ray bursts, novae, X-ray bursts, transits, gravitational microlensing, flares, tidal disruption events...
  - **Stochastic**: accretion in CVs, X-ray binaries,...



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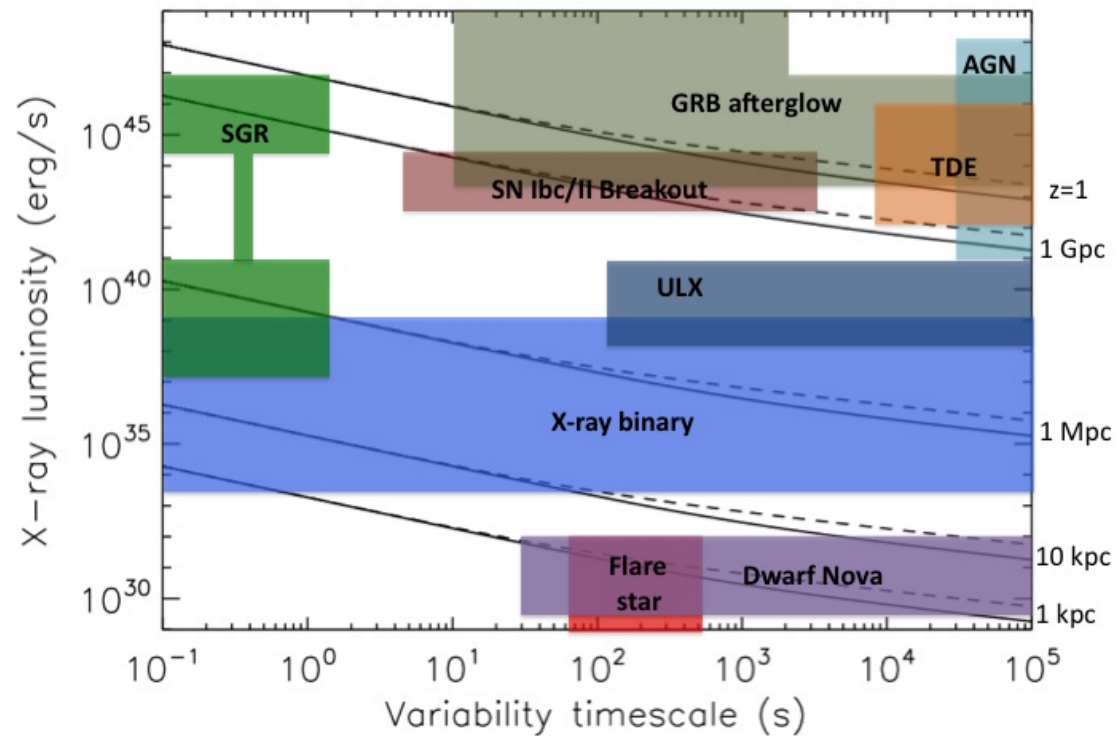
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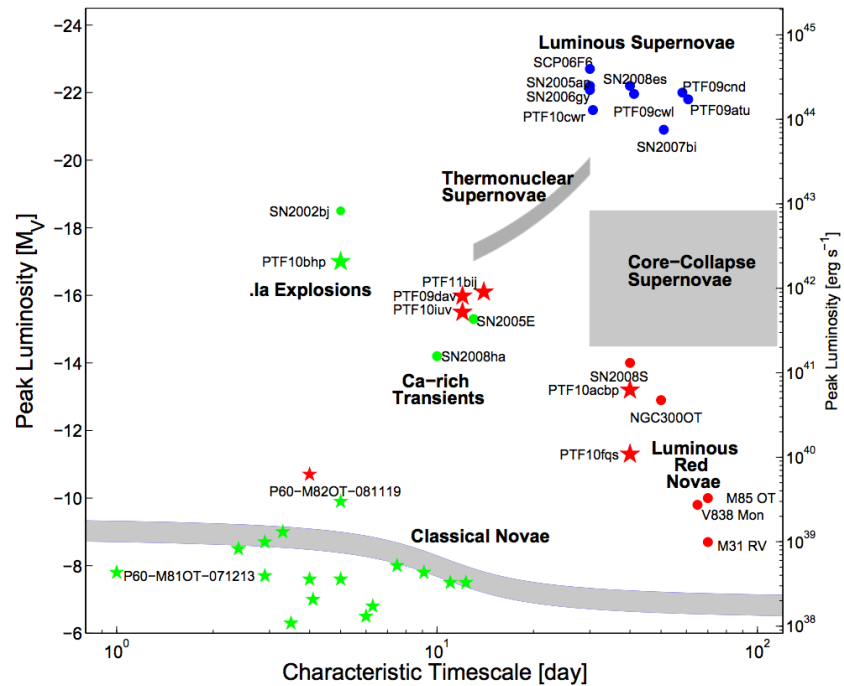
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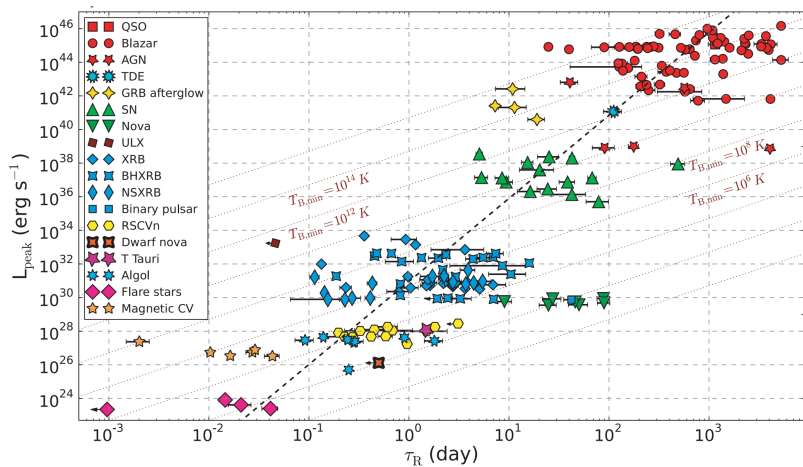
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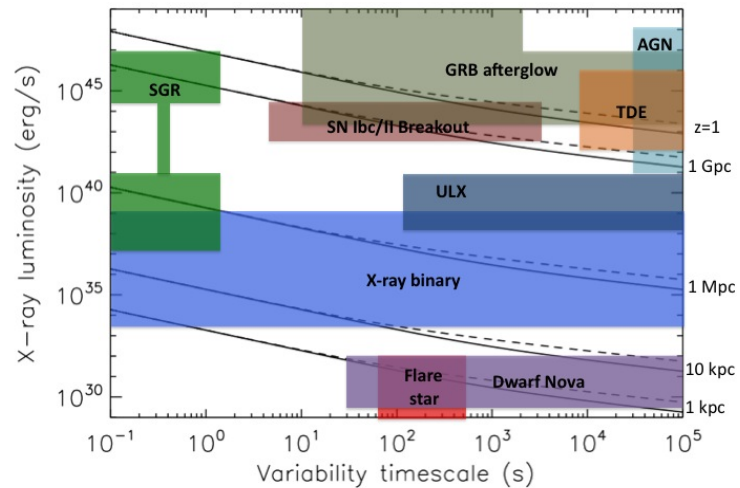
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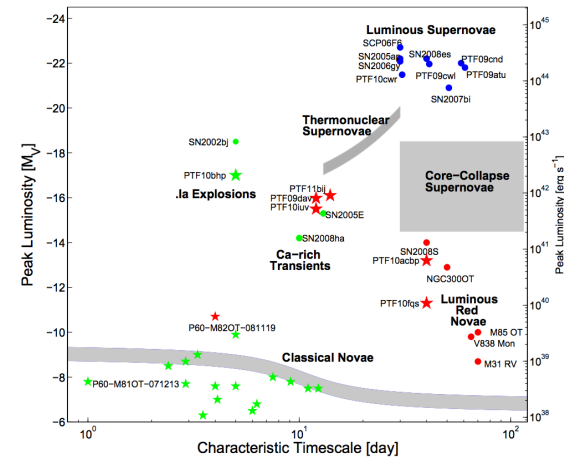
- What time-scales are we talking about?
  - ➔ Characterisation and classification of sources on the basis of their variability
  - ➔ Multi-wavelength approach is (sometimes) needed



Pietka, Fender, & Keane 2015



EXTrAS Collaboration, De Luca, A. et al. 2016



Kasliwal 2011



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## GW170817

**LIGO and Virgo make first detection of gravitational waves produced by colliding neutron stars**

**Discovery marks first cosmic event observed in both gravitational waves and light.**

For the first time, scientists have directly detected gravitational waves — ripples in space-time — in addition to light from the spectacular collision of two neutron stars.

The discovery was made using the U.S.-based Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO); the Europe-based Virgo detector; and some 70 ground- and space-based observatories.

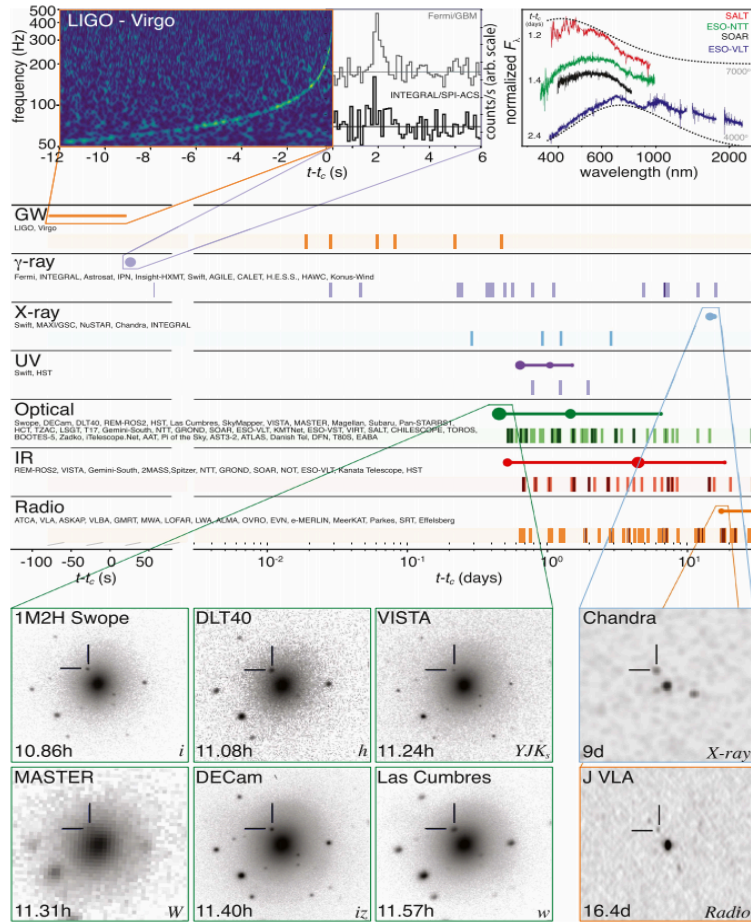




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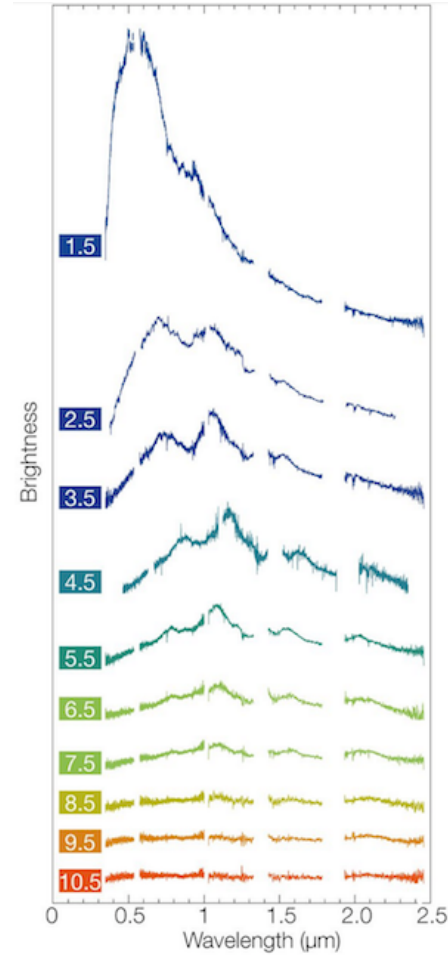
GW170817

THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL LETTERS, 848:L12 (59pp), 2017 October 20



Abbott et al. 2017

Abbott et al.



X-shooter spectra in the kilonova in NGC 4993 over 12 days. Image credit: ESO/Pian et al./Smartt & ePESSTO.





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- Visualisation & navigation through the data
- Analysis of variance of phenomena
- Coordination is crucial - transmission of information



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➔ Classical classification  
➔ AI, ML, DL techniques

➔ Cross-matching techniques  
➔ Source identification

➔ Planning observations  
➔ Transmission of information

➔ visualise  
➔ coordinate

➔ period search methods

**TD Astronomy Challenges?**

**TD Astronomy DATA Challenges**

**TD Astronomy Virtual Observatory DATA Challenges**



# □ The VO and the IVOA

## What is the VO?

- Astronomical datasets, tools, services should work seamlessly together

## What is the IVOA?

- An organisation that debates and agrees the technical standards that are needed to make the VO possible
- A focal point for VO aspirations, a framework for discussing and sharing VO ideas and technology
- Promoting and publicising the VO



# □ The VO and the IVOA

## Who is the IVOA?

- 6 Working Groups, 7 Interest Groups
- ➔ There is a Time Domain Interest Group
- ➔ Completely open to participation

## How to join the IVOA?

- 2 interoperability meetings per year
- ➔ Next meeting in Paris
- ➔ Register to email lists for discussion of topics



# □ The VO and the IVOA

## Who is the VO?

- VO is integrated in many Astronomy data centres and archives
  - Often behind the scenes...
  - Huge benefits from shared software components
  - VO enables many scientific capabilities, just not possible otherwise
- ➡ All sky astronomy



# □ The VO and the IVOA

## Who is the VO for?

- **Research astronomers**
- Data Centres and Archives
- Software developers
- Educators
- ...

## Idea of the VO?

- In a seamless way for the user:
  - Data discovery & access
  - Visualisation & analysis
  - Through Services & tools

- **Research astronomers – Time Domain Astronomers**





# □ Does the VO meet Time Domain Astronomers needs?

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→ AI, ML, DL techniques

→ Cross-matching techniques  
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→ visualise  
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**TD Astronomy DATA Challenges**

**TD Astronomy Virtual Observatory DATA Challenges**

**What is available through the VO?**





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- **Characterisation & classification**
  - Big Data
  - Heterogeneous Data
  - ➔ Classical techniques
  - ➔ **AI, ML, DL techniques**
    - ➔ BoF on Monday & Session 7 & 8 on Tuesday
    - ➔ IVOA Knowledge Discovery Interest Group (K.L. Polsterer & M. Graham)



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- **Multi-wavelength/messenger**
- Combining data in a coherent way from different missions covering different wavelengths
  - Big Data
  - Heterogeneous Data
  - ➡ Source identification
  - ➡ Cross-matching techniques



# Minimum information about objects



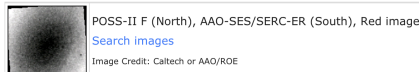
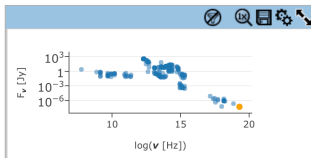
Object Name  
M81

Search Options

Go

Results for object MESSIER 081 (M81)

- Overview
- Cross-IDs (65)
- Coordinates (47)
- Redshifts (29)
- Distances (101)
- Classifications (117)
- Notes (48)
- Diameters (8)
- Photometry & SED (246)
- Spectra (44)
- Images (179)
- References (2373)
- External Links



Selected data and derived quantities for MESSIER 081+. More information in the tabs above.

Cross-identifications		Essential note	
MESSIER 081; NGC 3031; UGC 05318; CGCG 333-007; CGCG 0951.4+6918			
Coordinates for Preferred Position			
Equatorial (J2000)		Galactic	
RA, Dec	RA, Dec [Deg]	Unc Semi-major, minor ["]	Unc PA [deg]
09h55m33.1730s, +69d03m55.061s	148.888221, 69.065295	1.57E-03, 3.50E-04	90
Preferred Redshift & Derived Quantities [ $H_0 = 73$ km/sec/Mpc, $\Omega_{\text{matter}} = 0.27$ , $\Omega_{\text{vacuum}} = 0.73$ ]		Redshift-independent distance	
z (Hello)	V (Hello) [km/s]	Reference	V (CMB) [km/s]
-0.00011 +/- 0.00001	-33.876552 +/- 3.897302	1991RC3.9.C...0000d	48 +/- 7
Classifications		Hubble Distance (CMB) [Mpc]	
Object Type	Morphology	Reference	Activity Type
G	SA(s)ab	1991RC3.9.C...0000d	2007ApJS...171...61H
Quick-look Angular & Physical Diameters		Foreground Galactic Extinction (2011ApJ)	
Passband	Diameter ["]	Reference	Diameter [kpc]
RC3_D_0 (blue)	1652.50	1991RC3.9.C...0000d	29.43
Quick-look Photometry & Luminosities (brightest flux in each spectral region)		Absolute Mag or $v_{L^*}$ [W]	
Spectral region	Band	Apparent mag or flux	Reference
X-Ray	2-10 keV (BeppoSAX)	$3.10E-11 +/- 0.40E-11$ erg/cm <sup>2</sup> /s	2007A&A...472..705V
UV	3320 A (OAO)	$8.95 +/- 0.08$ mag	1982ApJ...256....1C
Visible	V	8.73 Jy	2007ApJ...655..863D
Near-IR	H <sub>tot</sub> (2MASS LGA)	$4.090 +/- 0.018$ mag	2003AJ....125..525J
Far-IR	FIR (IRAS)	$3.65E-12$ W m <sup>-2</sup>	1988ApJS...68..91R
Radio	57.5 MHz	$2.4 +/- 0.6$ Jy	1990ApJ...352...30I

## Basic data :

### HD 165688 -- Wolf-Rayet Star

Other object types: \* (Ref, ID, ...), HR\* (HR, NR), IR (2MASS, SDSS, GALEX), RR\* (RRc), V\* (Ref), X (2MASS)

ICRS coord. (ep=J2000) : 18 07 56.9612003141 -19 23 56.86361615 (Optical) [ 0.0479 0.0406 90 ] A 2018yCat.1345....00

FK5 coord. (ep=J2000 eq=2000) : 18 07 56.9612003141 -19 23 56.86361615 [ 0.0479 0.0406 90 ]

FK4 coord. (ep=B1950 eq=1950) : 18 04 59.6493172659 -19 24 25.088719244 [ 4.5003 3.9502 90 ]

Gal coord. (ep=J2000) : 010.8000508777768 +00.3964248835444 [ 0.0479 0.0406 90 ]

Proper motions (mas/yr) : 0.787 -1.732 [0.090 0.079 90] A 2018yCat.1345....00

Parallax (mas) : 0.6036 [0.0425] A 2018yCat.1345....00

Spectral type: WRS-G6 C 1999MNRAS...281..1638

Fluxes (J) : U 10.46 [-] C 2002yCat.2237....0D  
B 10.31 [-] C 2002yCat.2237....0D  
V 9.87 [-] C 2002yCat.2237....0D  
R 9.85 [0.02] D 2012yCat.1322....0X  
G 9.2064 [0.0006] C 2018yCat.1345....00  
J 7.118 [0.018] C 2003yCat.2246....0C  
H 6.716 [0.027] C 2003yCat.2246....0C  
K 6.223 [0.024] C 2003yCat.2246....0C

SIMBAD query around with radius 2 arcmin



## Identifiers (22) :

An access of full data is available using the icon VizieR near the identifier of the catalogue

HD 165688	WRS 3-1594	NR B3	UCAC4 354-117192
ALS 4678	HIC 88828	PPH 718808	NR 110
BD-19 4854	RFP 88828	SDSSJMC G010.8000+00.3943	ZWM J180756.9-192356
CPD-19 6469	JP11 2931	TIC 6259-2666-1	GalA DR2 4095125220807894400
GEN# +1.00165688	LS 4678	UBV 15399	
GSC 06259-02666	2MASS J18075695-1923568	UCAC2 24414003	

## References (137 between 1850 and 2019) (Total 137)

Simbad bibliographic survey began in 1850 for stars (at least bright stars) and in 1953 for all other objects (outside the solar system).  
Follow new references on this object

Reference summaries :

from: 1850 to: \$currentYear

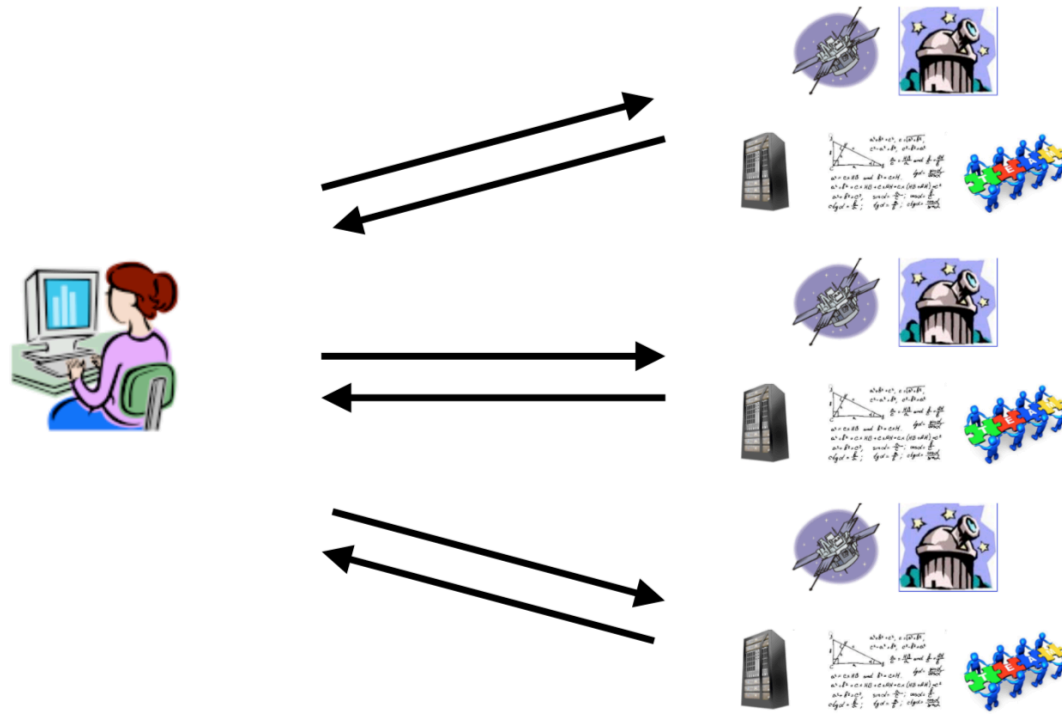
Display or select by: (not exhaustive, explanation here) In table TitleAbstractKeyword Score

## Collections of Measurements

distance : 2 PK : 3 PLX : 3 MK : 5

display selected measurements display all measurements clear

# □ Collect and combine data



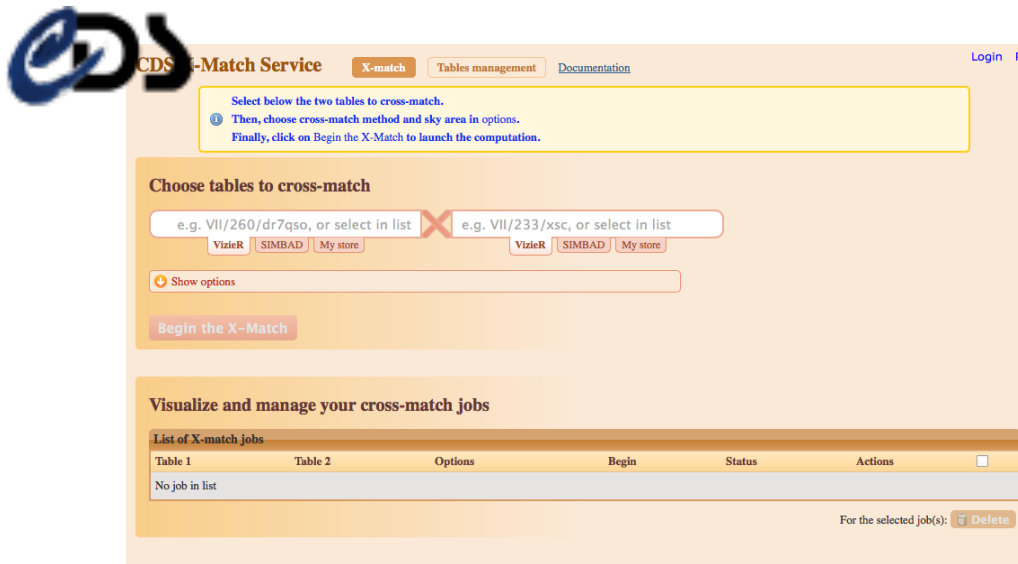
Different methods to access data on different astronomical archives

homogenize — e.g. cone-search

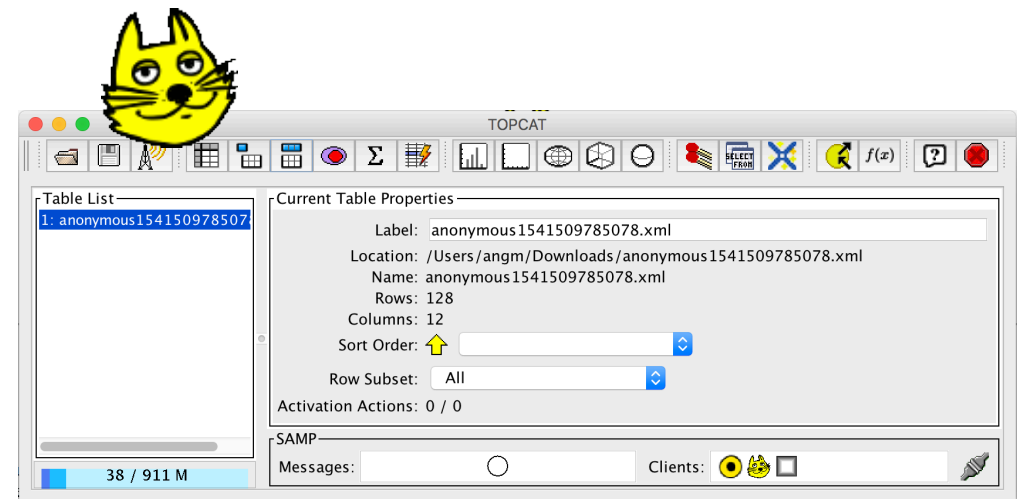


# □ Cross-matching

- ➔ Positional cross-correlation of sources in 2 tables (VizieR tables, simbad, user uploaded lists)
- ➔ Result in different formats (VOTable, CSV or ASCII)
- ➔ Programatic access too (http API)
- ➔ New developments for a multi-catalogue cross-match



The screenshot shows the CDS X-Match Service web interface. At the top left is the CDS logo. The page title is "CDS X-Match Service" with navigation tabs for "X-match", "Tables management", and "Documentation". A yellow box contains instructions: "Select below the two tables to cross-match. Then, choose cross-match method and sky area in options. Finally, click on Begin the X-Match to launch the computation." Below this, the "Choose tables to cross-match" section has two input fields for table names (e.g., "VII/260/dr7qso") and buttons for "VizieR", "SIMBAD", and "My store". A "Show options" button and a "Begin the X-Match" button are also present. The bottom section, "Visualize and manage your cross-match jobs", features a table with columns for "Table 1", "Table 2", "Options", "Begin", "Status", and "Actions". The table is currently empty, showing "No job in list". A "Delete" button is visible at the bottom right.



The screenshot shows the TOPCAT software interface. A yellow cartoon cat icon is positioned above the window. The window title is "TOPCAT". The interface is divided into several panels. On the left is the "Table List" panel, which contains a single entry: "1: anonymous154150978507". On the right is the "Current Table Properties" panel, which displays the following information: Label: anonymous1541509785078.xml, Location: /Users/angm/Downloads/anonymous1541509785078.xml, Name: anonymous1541509785078.xml, Rows: 128, Columns: 12, Sort Order: (up arrow icon), Row Subset: All, and Activation Actions: 0 / 0. At the bottom of the window, there is a "SAMP" section with "Messages:" and "Clients:" fields, and a status bar showing "38 / 911 M".







# Cross-matching

Performance, radius 5''

Table 1	Table 2	Computation time	Result generation	Result size	Total time
<b>SDSS DR9</b> <i>469M rows</i>	<b>2MASS</b> <i>470M rows</i>	3 min	7 min	19 GB	10 min
<b>2MASS</b> <i>470M</i>	<b>GAIA-DR1</b> <i>1.1 billion</i>	16 min	65 min	193 GB	81 min
<b>Tycho-2</b> <i>2M</i>	<b>SIMBAD</b> <i>8M</i>	6 sec	25 sec	1 GB	35 sec
<b>List of</b> <i>40k positions</i>	<b>SIMBAD</b> <i>8M</i>	1 second	4 seconds	10 MB	5 sec

Add the time as a possible information to cross-matches?





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- Coordination of observations
  - Where & when?
  - Multi-national collaborations
  - ➡ Planning observations
  - ➡ Transmission of events



# Planning observations: visibility services

### XMM-NEWTON MULTI-TARGET VISIBILITY CHECKER

YOU CAN LOOKUP SIMBAD OR NED AGAIN, OR RUN THE VISIBILITY CHECKER USING THE RESULTS RETURNED BELOW

Target Name:  (eg. Abell 1750)

Please note: there is a 30 second timeout should SIMBAD or NED not respond.

### SIMBAD LOOKUP RESULTS:

If you are happy with these results, complete the 'Visibility Details' and Submit

TARGET DETAILS

Target Name:  Target name or identifier for output (eg. Abell 1750)  
 RA:  Decimal degrees or HH:MM:SS.S (eg. 13:30:52.5)  
 Dec:  Decimal degrees or DD:MM:SS.S (eg. -01:50:27.0)

VISIBILITY DETAILS

Select either  
 Revolution Range:  First Revolution:  default is AO17 revolution range: 3369 to 3551  
 Last Revolution:

or  
 Date Range:  From Date:  default is AO17 range: 01 May 2018 - 30 Apr 2019  
 To Date:

Minimum visibility:  (minimum time the bin must be visible. Default is 5000 s)

### ISAAC NEWTON GROUP OF TELESCOPES

Object Visibility – STARALT

Staralt is a program that shows the observability of objects in various ways: either you can plot altitude against time for a particular night (Staralt), or plot the path of your objects across the sky for a particular night (Startrack), or plot how altitude changes over a year (Starobs), or get a table with the best observing date for each object (Starmult). For further information, click on the "help" button at the bottom of the page.

Mode:

Night:    or date when the local night starts. *Staralt, Startrack only.*

Observatory:   
 Select one above or specify your own site with this format:  
 Longitude(°East) Latitude(°) Altitude(metres) UTC offset(hours)  
 Ex.: 289.2767 -30.2283 2725 -4

Coordinates:

Formats can be any of these:  
 name hh mm ss tddd mm ss  
 name hh:mm:ss tddd:mm:ss  
 name ddd.ddd dd.ddd  
 name must be a single word with no dots, avoid using single numbers. Every entry must be in the same format, do not use different formats with different entries. We recommend a maximum of 100 targets per submission.

### Observability for 05 23 34.5 -69 45 22 The ESO Sky Calendar Tool

Paranal Observatory (VLT)

RA & dec: 5 23 34.5, -69 45 22, epoch 2000.0  
 Site Longitude: +41 36.0 (h.m.s) West, -24 37 30 North.

Show: local eve, date, moon phase, hr ang and sec.: at (1) eve, twilight, (2) natural center of night, and (3) morning twilight; then comes number of nighttime hours during which object is at sec.: less than 1, 2, and 1.5.  
 Night (and twilight) is defined by sun altitude < -18.0 degrees.

Date (eve)	moon	eve	cent	moon	night	hr:sec.:				
		HA sec.:2	HA sec.:2	HA sec.:2	<3	<2	<1.5			
2017 Nov 3	F	-6 52	3.1	-2 45	1.6	41 21	1.5	0.0	6.0	3.3
2017 Nov 17	N	-5 44	2.4	-1 49	1.5	+2 07	1.5	7.8	6.7	3.8

SiteCalc provided by courtesy of John Thorstensen, Dartmouth College. [John.Thorstensen@dartmouth.edu](mailto:John.Thorstensen@dartmouth.edu)

### XMM-NEWTON AO17 TARGET VISIBILITY CHECKER

VIEWING CONSTRAINTS FOR XMM-NEWTON

Visible corners: Bin Size:    
 All four:

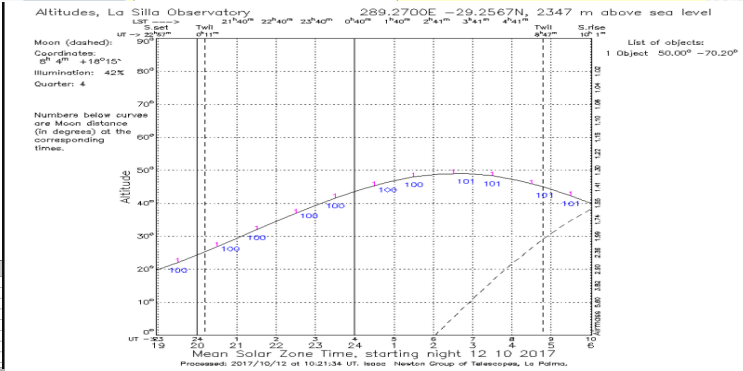
SEARCH CRITERIA FOR ALL TARGETS

Min Vis	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Date
(hr)	Start	End	Start	End	Start	End	Date
6000	3369	3551	01-May-2018	28-Apr-2019			

Targets are only visible for a small fraction of an orbit are only visible at the start or end of a revolution (see columns: Visibility Start/End Phase) and therefore have a higher likelihood for increased background radiation.

SEARCH RESULTS PER TARGET

Target Name	RA	Dec	Rev. Start (yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm)	Rev. End (yyyy-mm-dd hh:mm)	Rounded Vis. (hr)	Visibility Start Phase	Visibility End Phase	Solar Aspect (Angle)	Min. Astronomical (Phase) Angle
M31	12 56 47.205								
3369	2018-06-20 02:56	27036	2018-06-20 10:29	76000	0.76	0.92	71.3	74.2	
3369	2018-06-20 12:49	76036	2018-06-20 19:31	76000	0.47	0.92	72.6	73.8	
3369	2018-07-01 12:42	76063	2018-07-02 10:23	76000	0.47	0.92	74.2	71.7	
3402	2018-07-02 12:26	77939	2018-07-04 10:14	76000	0.47	0.92	79.7	70.6	
3402	2018-07-02 12:29	77954	2018-07-04 10:06	76000	0.47	0.92	77.3	69.5	
3402	2018-07-07 12:22	77715	2018-07-08 09:59	76000	0.47	0.92	78.3	68.5	
3402	2018-07-08 12:15	78302	2018-07-10 10:00	76000	0.47	0.93	80.4	67.4	
3402	2018-07-11 12:07	78340	2018-07-12 09:53	76000	0.47	0.93	82.3	66.3	
3402	2018-08-11 14:07	80444	2018-08-12 22:10	76000	0.48	0.93	83.5	65.4	



Different services have different inputs / outputs  
 Facilitate the work by having same inputs / outputs





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  - ➡ sequences of images, spectra, photometry, positions, ... and all interoperable
  - ➡ tools



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- **Analysis of variance**
  - ➔ period search methods
  - ➔ phase folding, binning, fitting...



# Visualisation of the object/area of interest (Desktop / web)

The collage shows four different astronomical software interfaces:

- MAST (top left):** A web-based interface for the Multiple Aperch Telescope (MAST) showing a search for 'BD+19 706'. It includes filters for keyword/text, product type, and mission, along with a table of 11 results.
- AstroViz (middle left):** A desktop application for visualizing astronomical data, showing a star field with various objects and a sidebar with layers and actions.
- HubbleSite (top middle):** A desktop application for exploring Hubble data, featuring a grid of image thumbnails and a search bar.
- HSA (top right):** A desktop application for Hubble Science Archive (HSA) data, displaying a table of object data and a plot of error vs. magnitude.

**Aladin sky Atlas**

Overview

- Aladin Desktop
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## Overview

Aladin is an interactive sky atlas allowing the user to visualize digitized astronomical images or full surveys, superimpose entries from astronomical catalogues or databases, and interactively access related data and information from the *Simbad* database, the *VizieR* service and other archives for all known astronomical objects in the field.



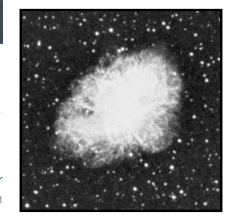
The Aladin sky atlas is available in two modes: Aladin Desktop, a regular application and Aladin Lite an HTML javascript web widget.



Preview with Aladin Lite in your browser

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

+ NASA Portal + Goddard Space Flight Center



Check the [SkyView Blog](#) for the most recent news.

**Interfaces and Software**

[SkyView Query Form](#)

[Non-Astronomers Page](#)

**SkyView**  
The Internet's Virtual Telescope

SkyView is a Virtual Observatory on the Net generating images of any part of the sky at wavelengths in all regimes from Radio to Gamma-Ray.

**Quick SkyView Image:**  
Coordinates or Source:  Survey:  Go

**Local Data Status : available**  
**Remote Data Status**  
green = Remote Data are available  
red = Remote Data are unavailable

2MAS J SDSS Galax WISE SDSS7  
UKIDSS FIRST TGSS AKARI  
SkyView Version: 3.4.2

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**SAOImageDS9**

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SAOImage DS9 is an astronomical imaging and data visualization application. DS9 supports FITS images and binary tables, multiple frame buffers, region manipulation, and many scale algorithms and colormaps. It provides for easy communication with external analysis tasks and is highly configurable and extensible via XPL and SAMPL.

DS9 is a stand-alone application. It requires no installation or support files. All versions and platforms support a consistent set of GUI and functional capabilities.

DS9 supports advanced features such as 2-D, 3-D and RGB frame buffers, mosaic maps, film, blinking, geometric markers, colormap manipulation, scaling, arbitrary zoom, cropping, rotation, pan, and a variety of coordinate systems.

The GUI for DS9 is user configurable. GUI elements such as the coordinate display panel, magnifier, horizontal and vertical graphs, status bar, and color bar can be configured via menus or the command line.

**SAOImageDS9 Version 7.6**

DS9 version 7.6 is now available on the Download page. New to version 7.6 is the new Windows 32/64 bit and MacOS High Sierra ports. Please see the What's New page for more details. Note: version 8.0rc6 is now available here

**Tweets by @SAOImageDS9**

- SAOImageDS9 @SAOImageDS9  
New beta release of SAOImageDS9 8.0rc6 is now available at [ds9.si.edu/site/Beta.html](https://ds9.si.edu/site/Beta.html)  
Oct 19, 2018
- SAOImageDS9 @SAOImageDS9  
SAOImageDS9 is now available as OpenUSE [binariesds9.si.edu/site/Beta.html](https://binariesds9.si.edu/site/Beta.html)  
Oct 8, 2018
- SAOImageDS9 Retweeted  
Franco Vazza @franco\_vazza  
Replying to @SAOImageDS9  
Indeed! Maybe I'm asking too much, is there already the possibility of producing

SAOImageDS9 development has been made possible by funding from the Chandra X-ray Science Center (CXC) and the High Energy Astrophysics Science Archive Center (HEASARC) with additional funding from the JWST Mission office at Space Telescope Science Institute. If you are writing a paper and want to cite the use of SAOImageDS9, use [www.aanda.org/abstract/2018/01/00000000](https://www.aanda.org/abstract/2018/01/00000000).

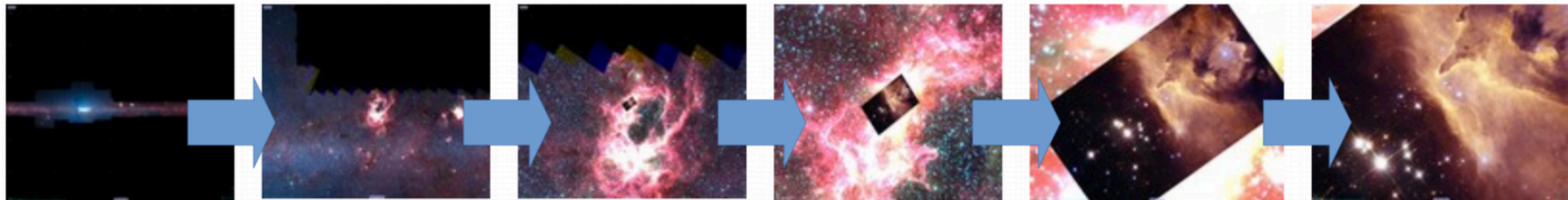






# □ Hierarchical visualisation of images and catalogues

- ➔ HiPS — Hierarchical approach to data
- ➔ The more we zoom the more detail we get



Something similar for *time* and treat light-curves in a lite way?  
Hierarchical approach to light-curves?



# Visualisation of photometric data: photometric viewer



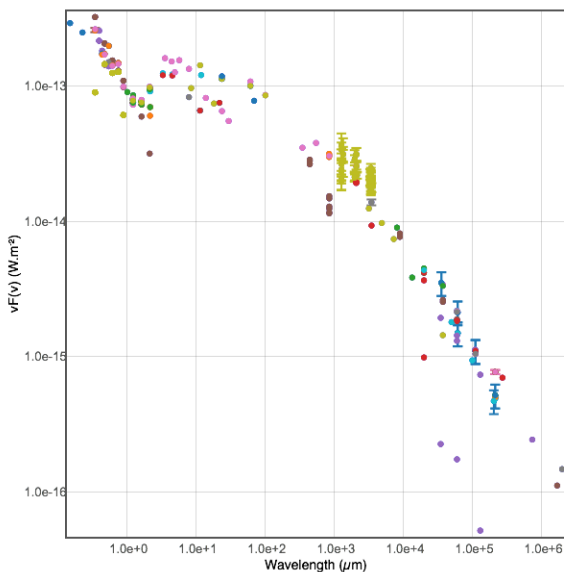
Target:

Radius (in arcsec):

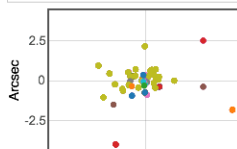
[settings](#) [share](#)



3C 273 (12 29 6.695+02 03 8.662),  
radius : 5 arcsec



Mouse position:  
Wavelength : 1.46e+1 μm  
Frequency : 2.05e+4 GHz  
Energy : 8.49e-2 eV  
Flux density or F(ν) : 2.13e+0 Jy  
νF(ν) : 4.38e-13 W.m<sup>-2</sup>  
F(λ) : 3.00e-11 erg.s<sup>-1</sup>.cm<sup>-2</sup>.μm<sup>-1</sup>



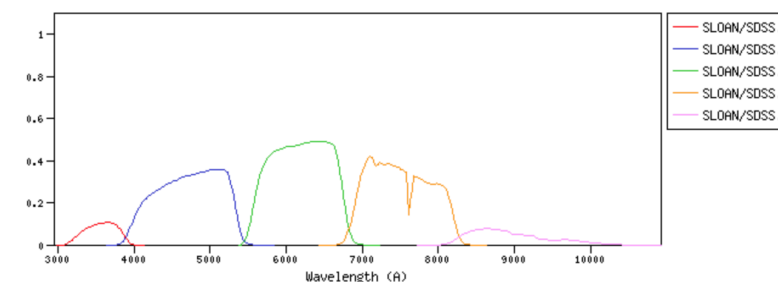
Center (R.A.+Dec.):  
12 29 6.695+02 03 8.662

2MASS	AAO	AKARI	Astrosat	BOK	CAHA	CFHT	COBE	CTIO	DENIS	Euclid	GAIA	GALEX	GCPD	Gemin
Generic	Geneva	GTC	Herschel	Hipparcos	HST	IAC80	ING	INT	IRAS	ISO	IUE	JWST	Keck	Kepler
KPNO	LasCumbres	LaSilla	LBT	LCO	LICK	Liverpool	LSST	McD	Misc	MKO	MMT	MSX	NIRT	NOAO
NOT	OAF	OAJ	OSN	P200	Palomar	PAN-STARRS	Paranal	SAO	Scorpio	SkyMapper	<b>SLOAN</b>	SOFIA	Special	Spitze
STELLA	Subaru	Swift	TCS	TD1	TESS	TJO	TNG	TNO	TYCHO	UKIRT	VATT	WFIRST	WHT	WISE
WIYN														

### SLOAN filters:

Filter ID	λ <sub>mean</sub>	λ <sub>eff</sub>	λ <sub>min</sub>	λ <sub>max</sub>	W <sub>eff</sub>	ZP (Jy)	Obs. Facility	Instrument	Description
SLOAN/SDSS.u	3561.8	3594.9	3048	4028	558.4	1568.5	SLOAN		SDSS u
SLOAN/SDSS.g	4718.9	4640.4	3783	5549	1158.4	3965.9	SLOAN		SDSS g
SLOAN/SDSS.r	6185.2	6122.3	5415	6989	1111.2	3162.0	SLOAN		SDSS r
SLOAN/SDSS.i	7499.7	7439.5	6689	8389	1044.6	2602.0	SLOAN		SDSS i
SLOAN/SDSS.z	8961.5	8897.1	7960	10833	1124.6	2244.7	SLOAN		SDSS z

### Filter Plots



Implement something similar for time — A time (series) viewer  
Need to annotate time properly

# Time Series visualisation tools

Select a collection... and enter target:

MAST Observations by Object Name or RA/Dec  Search

[About Collections...](#) [Show Examples...](#) [Random Search](#)

[Upload Target List](#) My Download Basket: 0 files [User Manual](#)

anonymous Login...

Home Page **MAST: BD+19 706**

554 Total Rows **NGC 1555, radius: 0.20000°**

**Filters** Clear Filters Edit Filters... Help...

**Keyword/Text Filter**  
Filter All Columns

**Product Type**

Name	Quantity
<input type="checkbox"/> image	(364 of 364)
<input type="checkbox"/> spectrum	(114 of 114)
<input type="checkbox"/> timeseries	(70 of 70)
<input type="checkbox"/> cube	(6 of 6)

**Mission**

Name	Quantity
<input type="checkbox"/> HST	(232 of 232)
<input type="checkbox"/> HLA	(165 of 165)
<input type="checkbox"/> K2	(71 of 71)
<input type="checkbox"/> IUE	(48 of 48)
<input type="checkbox"/> PS1	(25 of 25)

Show 3 More

**Timeseries Viewer**

**Configuration**

Range

Time

Flux

Options

Phase Folding

Auto Zoom Full Zoom

Reset All

**Legend**

Select All Select None

- EVEREST\_210780956\_C04\_Raw
- EVEREST\_210780956\_C04\_Corrected



# Time Series visualisation tool - Firefly

The screenshot displays the 'Time Series Tool: Viewer' interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'IRSA', 'DATA SETS', 'SEARCH', 'TOOLS', and 'HELP' menus, along with a 'Login' button. Below this is a toolbar with various icons for file operations and viewing. The main interface is divided into several sections:

- Column Selection:** Shows 'Mission: WISE/NEOWISE', 'Time Column: mjd', and 'Value Column: w1mpro'. It also includes a 'Period Finder...' button.
- Images:** Features 'Image display' options (W1, W2, W3, W4) and a 'Cutout Size (arcmin): 5' input field.
- Table:** A data table with columns: ra, dec, frame\_num, scan\_id, src, w1mpro, w1sigmpro, w1rchi2, w2mpro, v. The first few rows are:

ra	dec	frame_num	scan_id	src	w1mpro	w1sigmpro	w1rchi2	w2mpro	v
237.8207956	-15.7511113	146	46245b	38	9.978	0.015	9.260e-01	9.941	
237.8207582	-15.7511303	146	46253b	47	10.193	0.015	3.047e+00	10.211	
237.8207854	-15.7511301	146	46257b	37	9.985	0.015	8.211e-01	10.018	
- Plot:** A scatter plot titled 'Input Data' showing 'w1mpro (mag)' on the y-axis (ranging from 9.9 to 10.25) versus 'mjd (mjddate)' on the x-axis (ranging from 56700 to 57600). The plot shows a series of data points with vertical error bars, indicating variability in magnitude over time.
- Images:** A row of five image thumbnails showing the same field at different times. Each thumbnail is labeled with its scan ID and size, e.g., 'WISE-W1-46245b146 size: 5(arcmin) 2.736x'. A red box highlights a specific source in each image.

- ➔ Measurements as a function of time
- ➔ Simultaneously visualize single-epoch images,
- ➔ Find the period of variability.
- ➔ Works for data coming from WISE/NEOWISE and PTF

For other datasets (e.g. user's follow-up observations)

# Time Series view (Aladin)

Aladin v10.0 \*\*\* BETA VERSION (based on v10.089) \*\*\*

Available data → 401 / 22291

Command [ ] Frame ICRS Projection Aitoff

DSS PanSTARRS SDSS 2MASS WISE GALEX AKARI Gaia Simbad NED YourName +

**DSS2 color**

23.31° x 8.953°

<Vmag> [mag]: ? Intensity mean V-band magnitude

1997-02-20 1998-07-05 1999-11-17 2001-03-31

6 superimposed objects - click Search

recno	n	Star	Field	OGLE	Mode	RAJ2000	DEJ2000	<Imag>	<Vmag>	Pa
2670	2670	LMC174.8	25386	10/20	05 37 40.44	-68 50 42.2	17.214	17.949	0.668	
2896	2896	LMC174.4	20390	10	05 40 49.18	-68 23 20.1	17.439	18.005	0.418	
2932	2932	LMC182.7	462	10	05 41 24.80	-68 43 05.6	17.212	18.002	0.675	
2973	2973	LMC178.1	39563	10/20	05 42 12.10	-71 12 08.2	17.182	17.964	0.609	
3217	3217	LMC190.8	312	F/10	05 48 44.19	-69 25 40.5	17.098	18.029	1.027	
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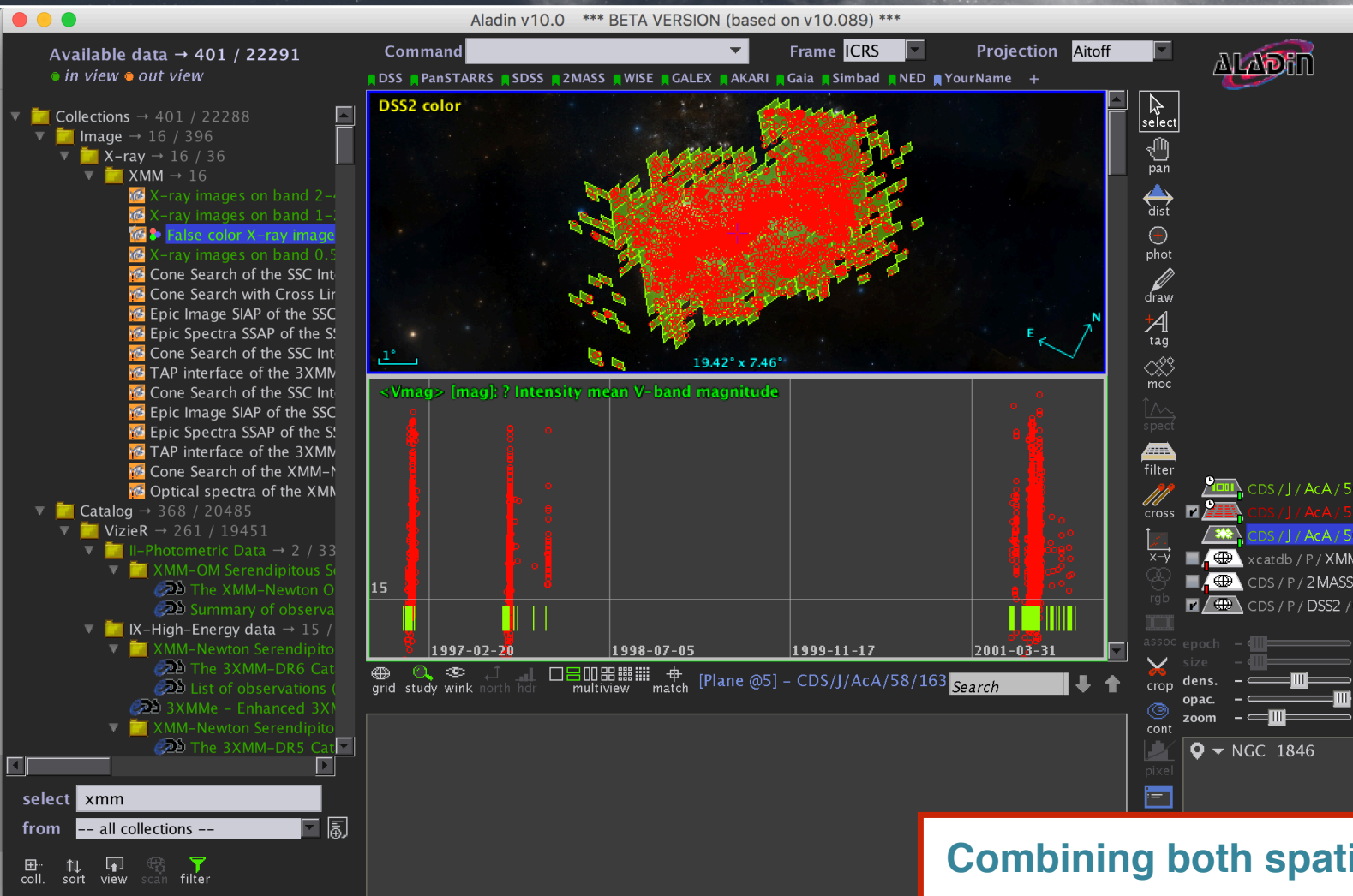
select xmm  
from -- all collections --

coll. sort view scan filter

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- For all catalogues available through Aladin + users
- Measurements as a function of time
- Simultaneously visualize the catalogue positions in the sky
- Background image can be any available through Aladin + users

# Time Series view (Aladin)



- Coverage of a survey in space: MOC
- Coverage of a survey in time: TMOC
- Simple operations such as union, intersections,...

Combining both spatial and temporal coverages



# □ Time Domain Astronomy Challenges

*The study of variability of astronomical objects over different time-scales*

- Characterisation and classification of sources on the basis of their variability
- Multi-wavelength/messenger approach is (sometimes) needed
- Follow-up observations & reaction time for that can be crucial
- Visualisation & navigation
- Analysis of variance of phenomena
- **Coordination & transmission** of information
  
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  - ➔ collect what was observed, when, in which wavelength
  - ➔ alerts, emails, webpages, references,...

- ➔ **Communication and sharing in time domain multi-messenger astronomy is needed**
  - ➔ **If this is a must then lets get together and do it together as a community**
  - ➔ **This is exactly the vision of the VO (my point of view)**

# □ What are the Time Domain challenges in the VO

- ➔ Display measurements as a function of time
- ➔ Simultaneously visualize single-epoch images
- ➔ Combine it with other data (description of time)
- ➔ Find the period of variability
- ➔ Combine spatial and temporal coverages
- ➔ Coordination and transmission of information

- ➔ The principle of the VO and the IVOA is to help the user to share information
- ➔ Using standards is very helpful and it works (all astronomers use it even if they don't know it!)
- ➔ It is not one tool to govern them all
- ➔ We work in international collaborations and everyone can join



# □ Useful links

- IVOA: <http://ivoa.net/>
- Time Domain Interest Group:  
<http://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaVOEvent>
- List of available VO applications and VO-compliant Tools & Services for astronomers:  
<http://ivoa.net/astronomers/applications.html>
- IRSA Time Series viewer  
<https://irsa.ipac.caltech.edu/irsaviewer/timeseries>
- More tutorials on VO services & tools:  
<http://www.euro-vo.org/?q=science/scientific-tutorials>

