

SYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION OF TESS ECLIPSING BINARIES

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MOTIVATION

The Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite (TESS): ~85% sky coverage, high (1-3%) photometric precision, w/ timing baselines 27-351 days of ~400k sources (2 min cadence) and 20-150 million sources (30 min cadence).

Population statistics (of stellar properties & orbital kinematics) from a comprehensive catalog of TESS EBs across Galactic environments are essential benchmarks for improving stellar evolution models, determining distances to callibrate the cosmic distance ladder, and tracing Galactic structure, among other applications.

Examples of morphological classifications of periodically varying stars:



(3) Classification

Goal: Use supervised machine learning to accurately identify/ classify eclipsing binaries and determine precise periods.

METHODS (1) Period Finding / Phase Folding





Algol Binary (EA) β Lyrae Binary (EB) W UMa Binary (EW)

(2) Dynamic Time Warping (DTW)



DTW [2]: distance metric for computing similarity between the shape

DTW has been used extensively for time series classification in machine

learning literature [1] (on speech recognition, computer vision, biostats,

etc.), but has seen few applications on astronomical time series.

Example optimal DTW path alignments (using dtaidistance [5]);

1-NN Confusion Matrix

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	ΕA	0.85	0.08	0.02	0.0	0.0
-NN Label	EB	- 0.11	0.74	0.06	0.0	0.02
	ΕW	- 0.03	0.14	0.91	0.0	0.05

LS: P = 1.4808 days

PDM: P = 2.9685 days

Initial period search using Lomb-Scargle periodogram, a variant of Fourier Transform applicable to unevenly sampled time-series data.

Period precision improved using Phase Dispersion Minimization: χ^2 between light curve points and a 100pt rolling-median smooth is minimized for the best period using scipy.optimize around factors of LS period.

of two time series. For time series $\{X_1, ..., X_N\}$ & $\{Y_1, \dots, Y_M\}$, algorithm has three steps O(NM): (1) Compute cost matrix (shown right) where $D_{ij} = |X_i - Y_j| + min(D_{i,j-1}, D_{i-1,j}, D_{i-1,j-1})$ (2) Use dynamic programming to solve for minimimum path across cost matrix which optimally align the two series in time. (3) DTW distance is the sum of path values.

lower distance is better:

[6]



Confusion matrix comparing test labels and true labels using a 1-Nearest Neighbor (1NN) classifier using a training sample of 996 sources with labels from the ASAS-SN all-sky survey of variable stars [4] and light curves from TESS Cycle 1. Between two class labels, eclipsing binary types are distinguished from other periodic variables with a false-positive rate of 5% and false-negative rate of 2%.

DTW: 1.268 DTW: 0.167 DTW: 1.55

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Address limitations:

FUTURE WORK

 Eclipsing binaries with significant non-periodic variation Increase training sample size & representation to achieve

better sub-class classification Determine best uses for DTW:

Compare to performance of feature-based methods

• Ensemble of classifiers

Apply classification routine to find new EBs