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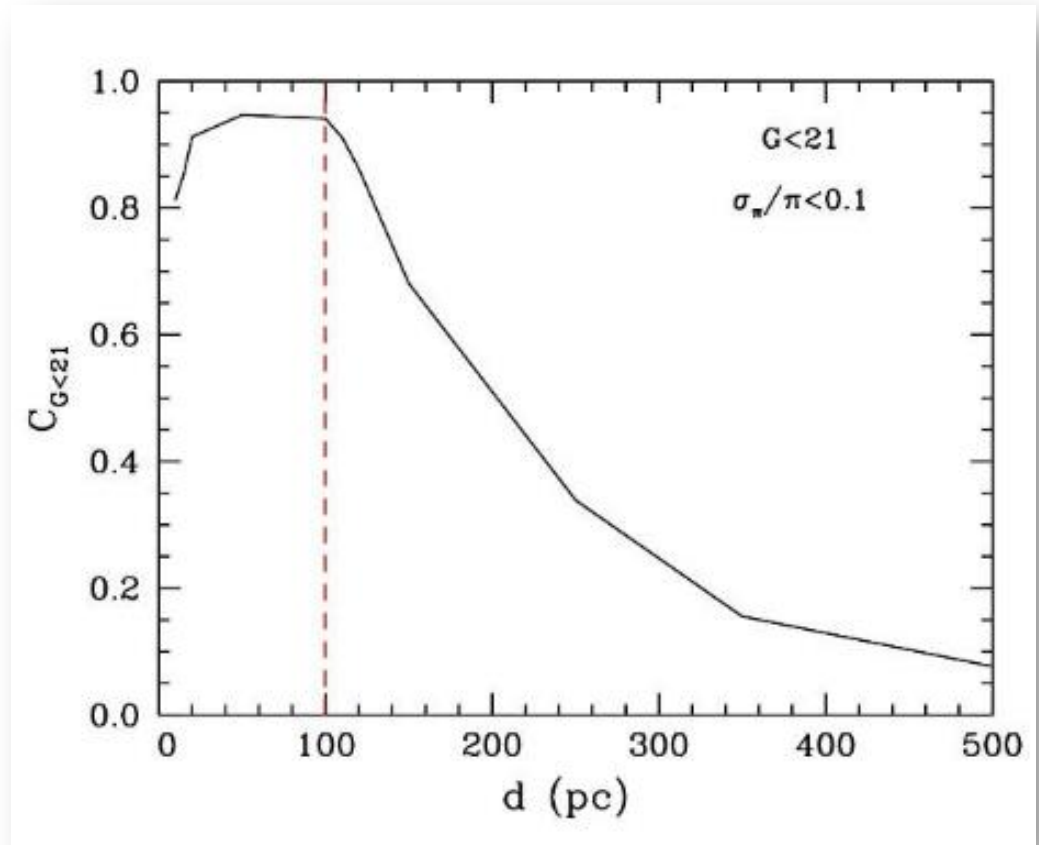
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2. Motivation

- Binary population of white dwarfs (WD+WD; WD+MS): supernovae progenitors, binary evolutionary models (common-envelope episode), CV's, etc, etc.
- *Gaia* has provided an unprecedented wealth of information of astrometric and photometric quality
- In particular, nearly 260,000 WDs (Fusillo et al. 2018); within 200 pc El-Badry & Rix (2018) found >3,000 WDMS and nearly 400 DWD.
- Population synthesis approach requires complete samples or a perfectly knowledge of all selection criteria and observational biases.

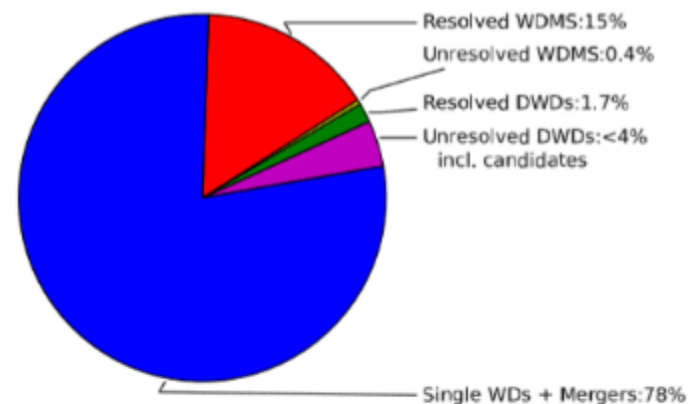
2. Motivation

- How far can we build a complete sample?
 - 100 pc
 - Jiménez-Esteban et al. (2018) show that the 100 pc sample is the largest complete simple available to *Gaia*
 - Statistically significant improvement: ~18000 WDs in 100 pc; ~100 in 20 pc

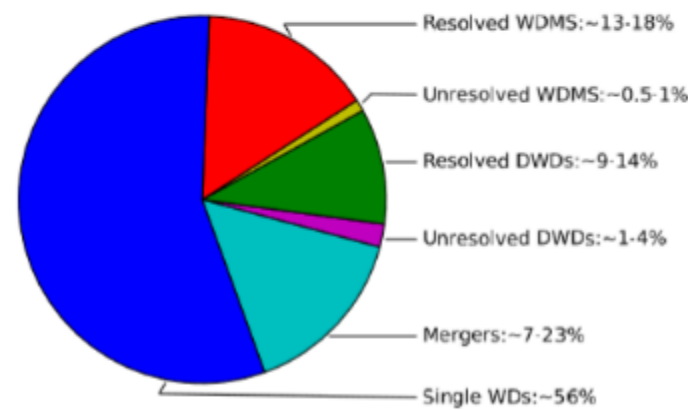


2. Motivation

- Toonen et al. (2017) in a thorough population synthesis study analyzed the % of the different subpopulations (WDMS/DWD, resolved/unresolved) of the 20 pc sample
- General good agreement except for resolved DWDs: observed 1.7% .vs.predicted 9-14%
- Theoretical/observational ‘failures’? Local inhomogeneities? (~110 WDs in 20 pc)
- What happen in the 100 pc sample?



(a) Observed



(b) Predicted



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2. Population synthesis simulator

- Robust code based on Monte Carlo techniques for the single and binary population

SINGLES

- Since two decades ago widely used in the study of the Galactic components (thin and thick disk, halo, bulge) and globular and open clusters.
- Update self-consistent cooling sequences (La Plata group): DA/DB, He/CO/ONe, $Z=0.01/0.001$

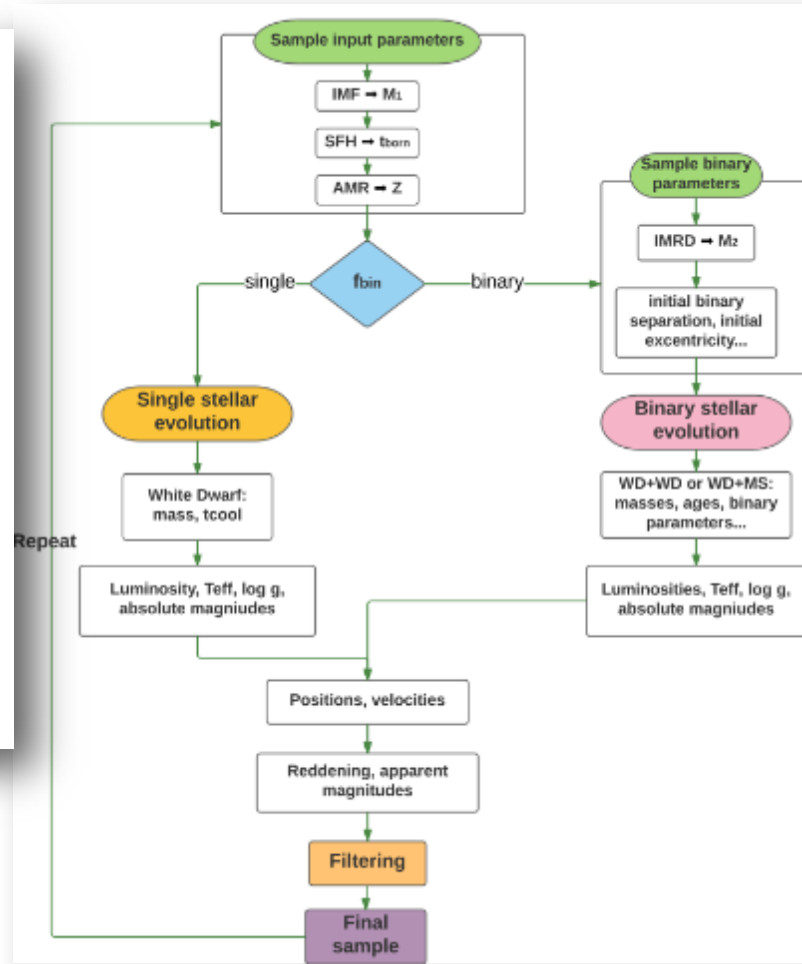
BINARIES

- Based on stellar evolutionary code (BSE) of Hurley et al. (2002).
- Improvements added: common envelope phase model following considering different binding energies of the donor.
- Tidal effects (circularization and synchronization) and wind mass-loss have been taken into account.
- Angular momentum losses due to magnetic braking and gravitational radiation were also considered (Schreiber et al. 2003).

2. Population synthesis simulator

Single inputs:

- IMF
- SFR
- Metallicity
- IFMR
- Three Galactic component model:
thin:thick:halo,
80:15:5



Binary inputs:

- Those of the single model
- Binary fraction f_{bin}
- $n(q)$
- Initial separation
- Eccentricity distribution
- Common Envelope treatment
- Stellar winds
- ...

- Highly non-linear (nearly chaotic) system

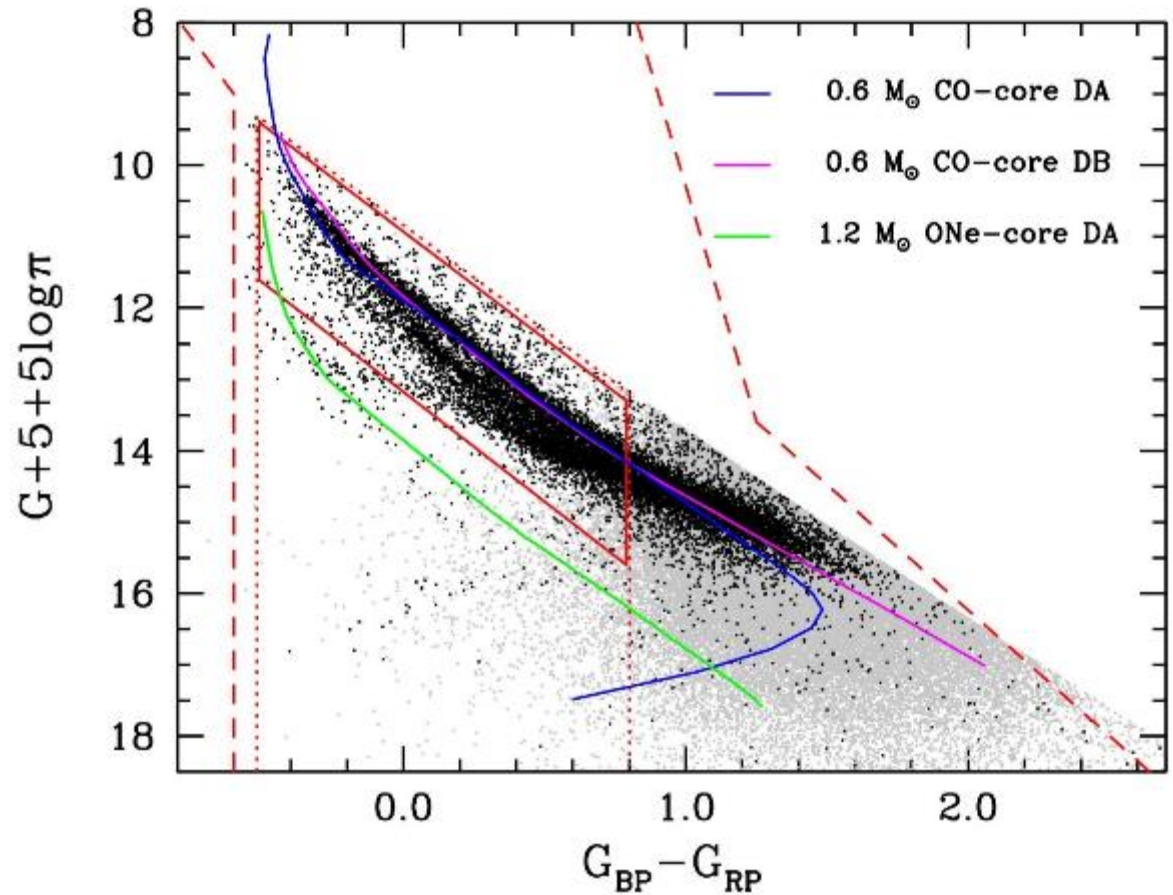
3. The *Gaia*-DR2 sample

○ General Criteria:

- $G < 21$ mag
- $\Pi > 10$ mas ($d < 100$ pc)
- $\sigma_\pi < 10\%$
- $\sigma(\text{FBP})$ & $\sigma(\text{FBR}) < 10\%$
- $\varepsilon < 1.3 + 0.06 \times (G_{\text{BP}} - G_{\text{RP}})^2$
- $H_G = G + 5 \log \pi + 5 > 3.02 \times (G_{\text{BP}} - G_{\text{RP}}) + 11.95$

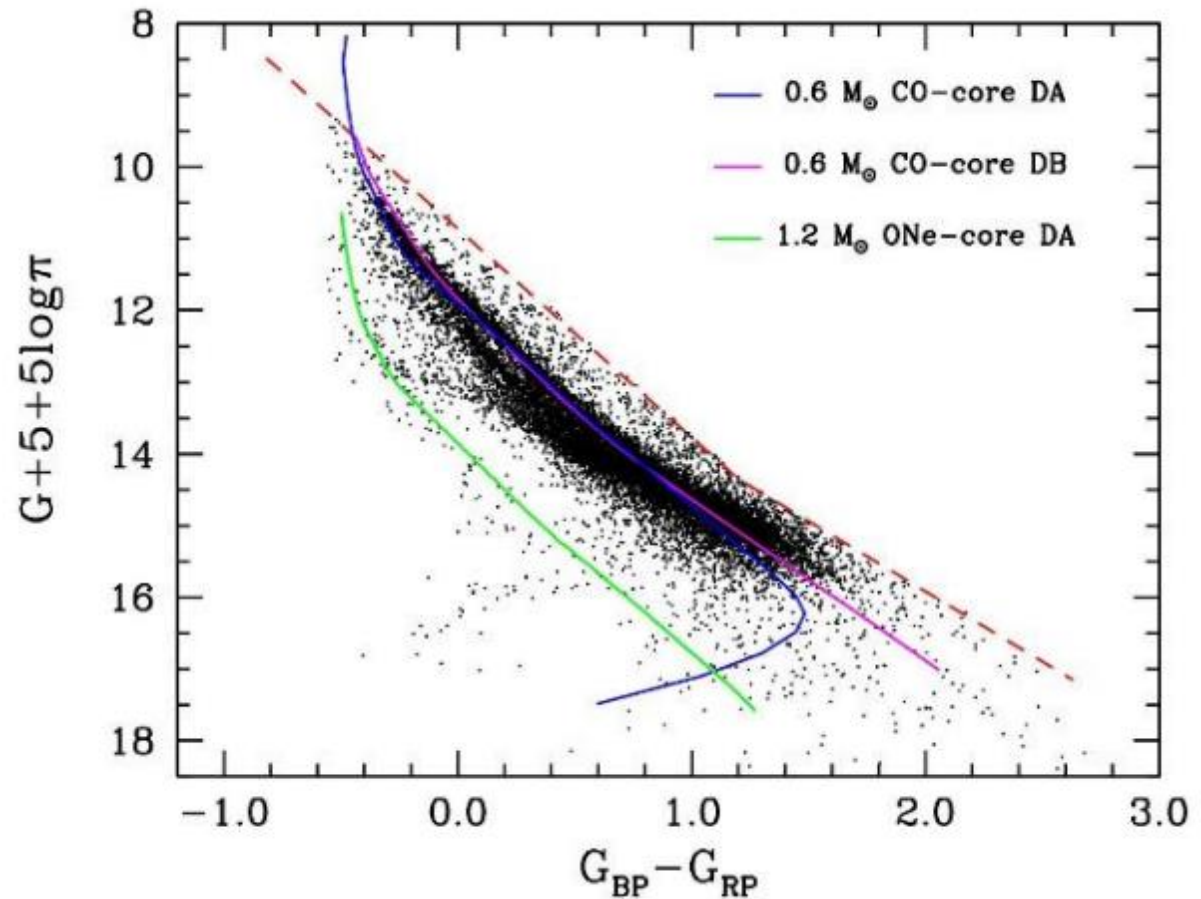
○ Subsample:

- $-0.52 < G_{\text{BP}} - G_{\text{RP}} < 0.8$
($6,000 \text{ K} < T_{\text{eff}} < 80,000 \text{ K}$)



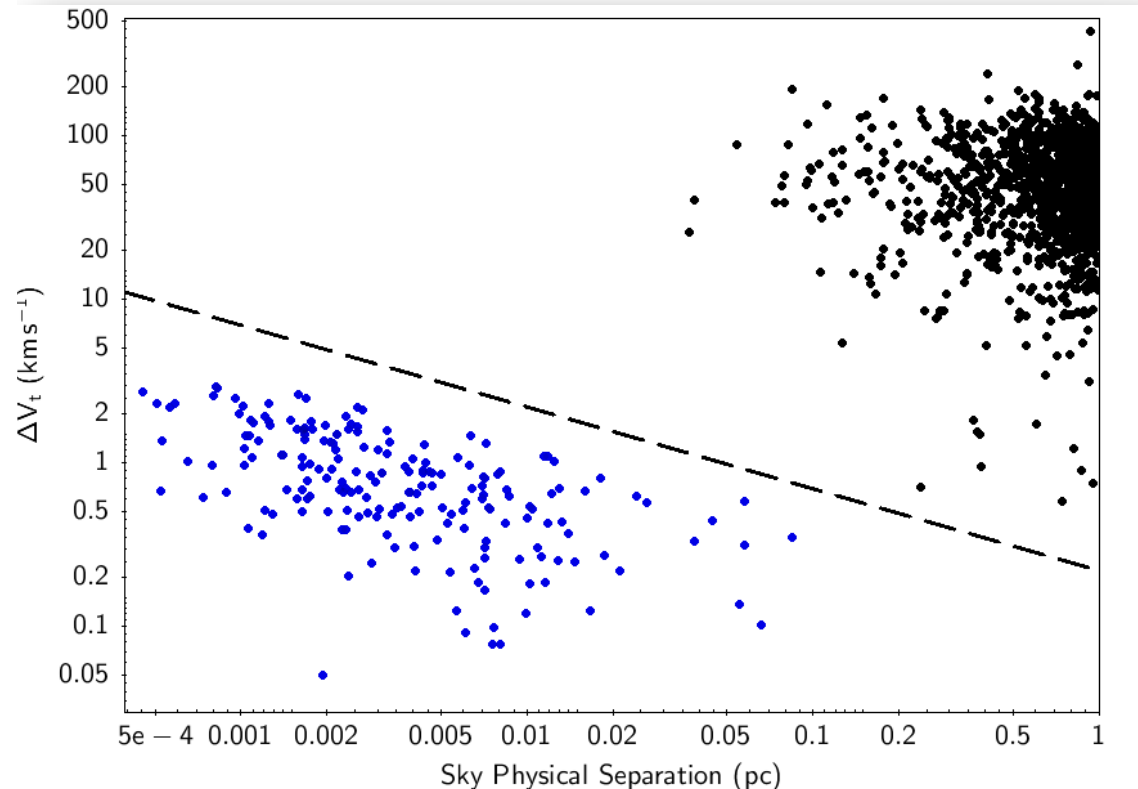
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- Clean sample:
- Number of objects: 13732
- Completeness estimate
 - White dwarf space density of $4.9 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ pc}^{-3}$ (Jimenez-Esteban et al. 2018) 100 pc \Rightarrow 20525
 - $4.49 \pm 0.38 \times 10^{-3} \text{ pc}^{-3}$ (Hollands et al. 2018) 20 pc \Rightarrow
 - Our sample 67-73%



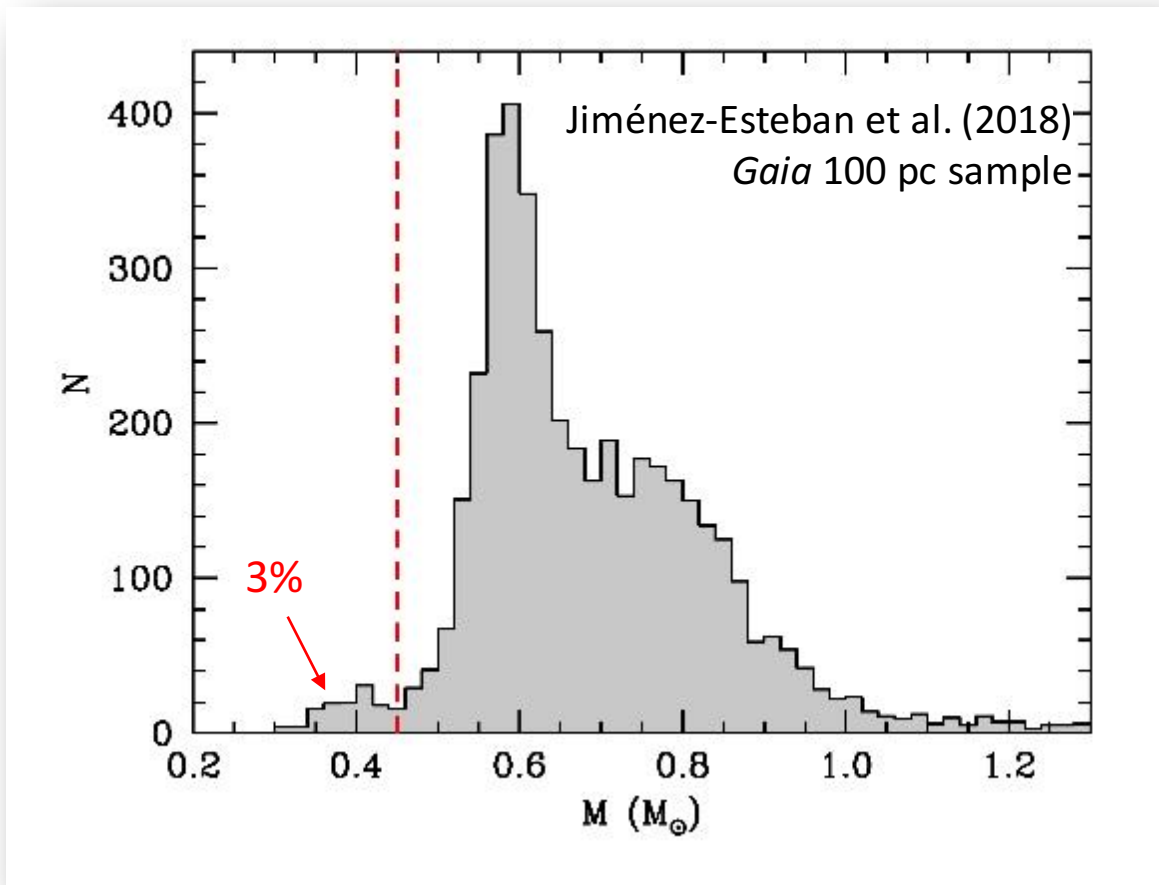
3. The *Gaia*–DR2 sample

- Identification of comoving pairs
- Based on proper motions and parallaxes
- Separations < 1 pc
- From our initial simple of 13732 objects, there are 1286 candidates
- Those with difference in tangential velocity below $1.4+1.4M_{\odot}$ limit: 194
- 1.4% DWD resolved systems
- 1.7% for the 20 pc simple (Toonen et al. 2017)
- 1.38%; 180 objects < 100 pc (El Badry et al. 2018)



3. The *Gaia*-DR2 sample

- Fraction of low mass WDs
 - 128 objects with $M < 0.45 M_{\odot}$
 - This implies a 3% of low mass WDs:
 - Overluminous objects, DWDs?
 - He-core WD in resolved/unresolved systems?



3. The *Gaia*–DR2 sample

- Summary:
 - 100 pc sample: 13732 objects
 - Reasonable high Completeness 67-73%
 - Observed fractions:
 - 1.4% Resolved DWD
 - 7.0% Resolved WDMS
 - 3% ‘low mass’ WDs

4. Results

- **Reference model:** $f_b=0.5$; $n(q)=1$; Sep=lognormal; $\alpha_{\text{IMF}}=-2.35$

Model	f_b	$n(q)$	Sep	α_{IMF}	DWD res	WDMS res
1	0.5	1	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.35	8.7	9.7
2	0.5	q	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.35	10.7	7.8
3	0.5	q^{-1}	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.35	5.8	12.6
4	0.4	1	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.35	7.0	7.2
5	0.4	q	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.35	8.5	6.2
6	0.4	q^{-1}	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.35	4.6	9.8
7	0.4	q^{-1}	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.15	5.5	10.8
8	0.4	q^{-1}	<i>lognorm</i>	-2.55	3.9	8.7

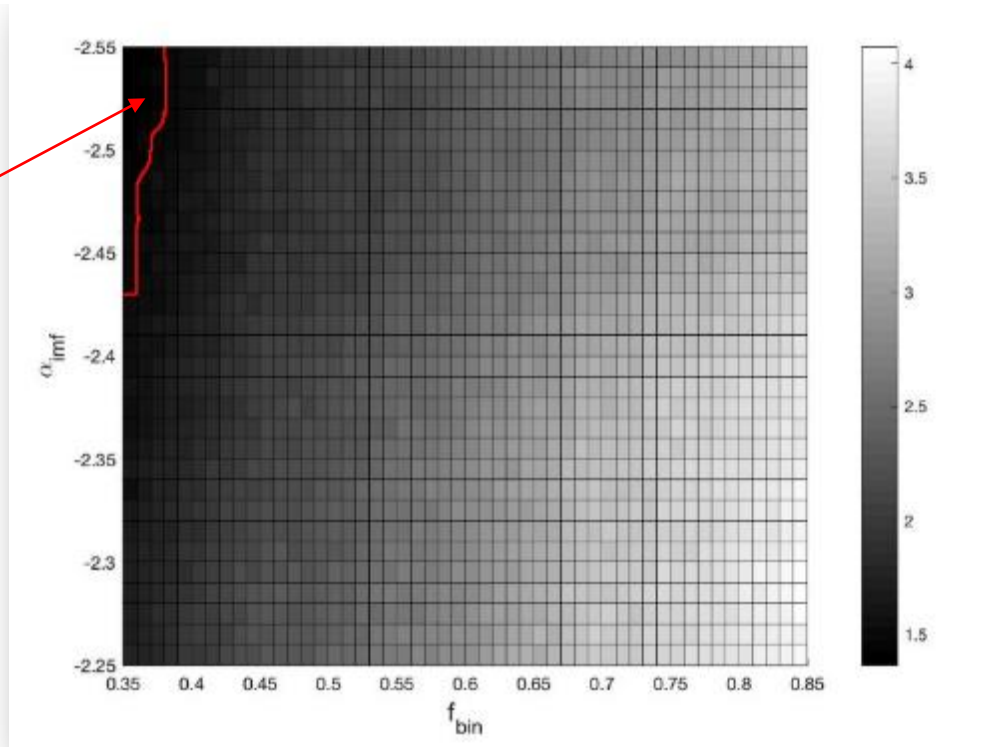
Model	f_b	$n(q)$	Sep	α_{IMF}	DWD res	WDMS res
9	0.4	q^{-1}	BPL	-2.35	1.8	3.8
10	0.4	q^{-1}	BPL	-2.55	1.5	3.4
11	0.4	q^{-1}	BPL	-2.15	2.1	4.3
12	0.5	q^{-1}	BPL	-2.35	2.3	4.7
13	0.5	q^{-1}	BPL	-2.15	2.6	5.3
14	0.5	q^{-1}	BPL	-2.55	2.0	4.2
15	0.5	1	BPL	-2.35	3.4	3.7
16	0.4	1	BPL	-2.35	2.7	2.7

- Lognorm separation models produce % DWD res $>3.9\%$; too high
- $n(q)=q^{-1}$ models have lower % DWD res and higher % WDMS res
- BPL separation seem closer to observed values
- **Fine-tuning model:** $f_b=\text{free}$; $n(q)=q^{-1}$; Sep=BPL; $\alpha_{\text{IMF}}=\text{free}$

4. Results

- % resolved DWD

>1.4% DWD_{res}

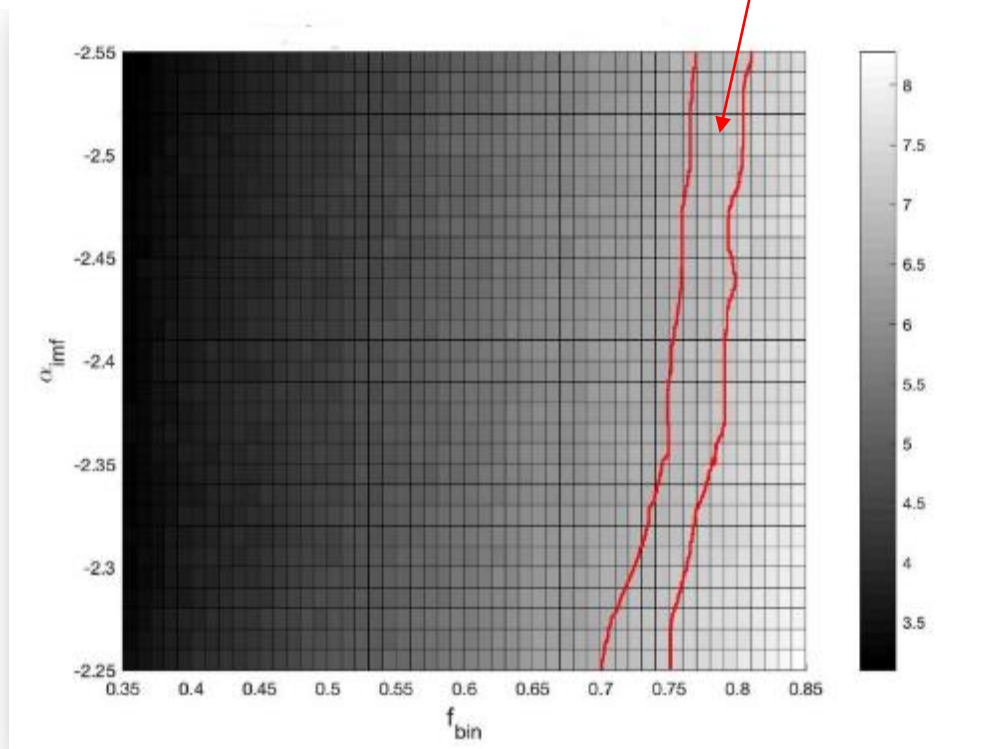


- Observed values for low $f_{bin}=0.35-0.4$ and steep IMF slopes $\alpha_{IMF}=-2.45-2.55$

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- % resolved WDMS

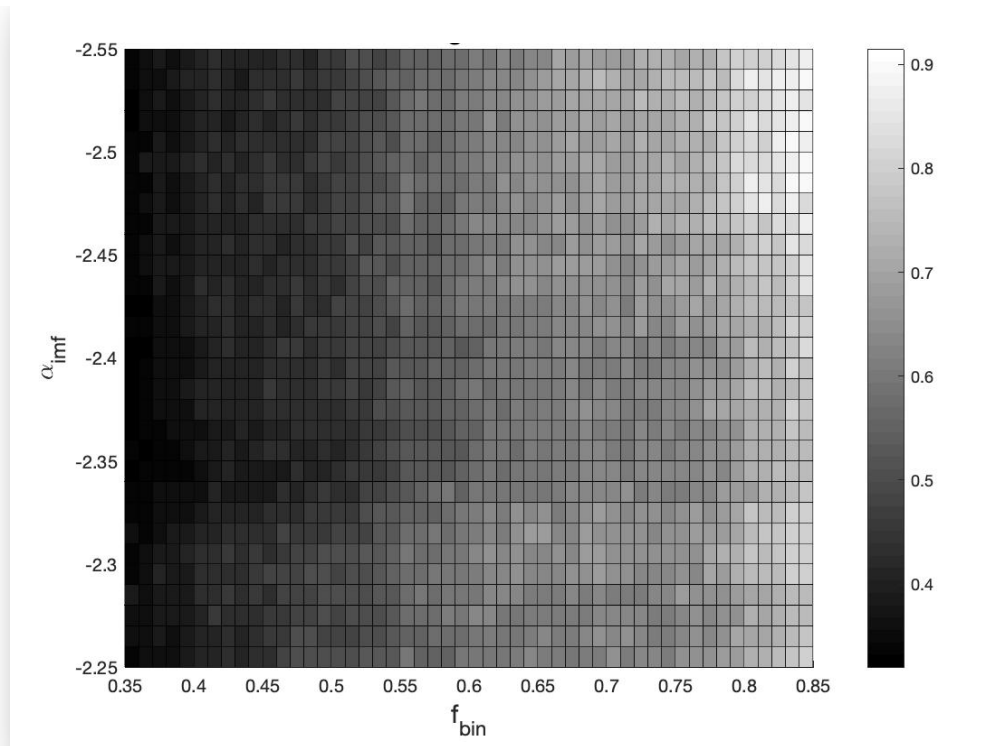
$7.0 \pm 0.2\%$ WDMS_{res}



- Observed values for high $f_{\text{bin}}=0.7-0.8$ regardless of α_{IMF}

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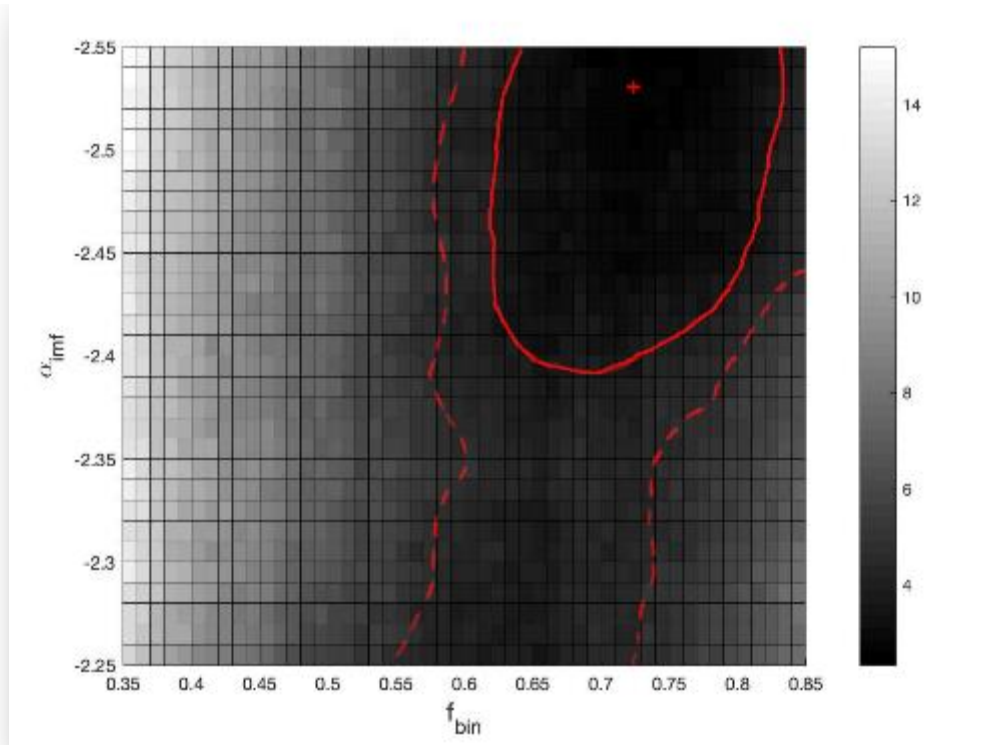
- % HeWD



- %HeWD highest values $\sim 1\%$ are far from estimated 3% low mass WDs
- This 3% shall be unresolved DWD

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- D-estimator: $D = \sqrt{[(\%DWD_{res} - 1.4)^2 + (\%MSWD_{res} - 7.0)^2]}$



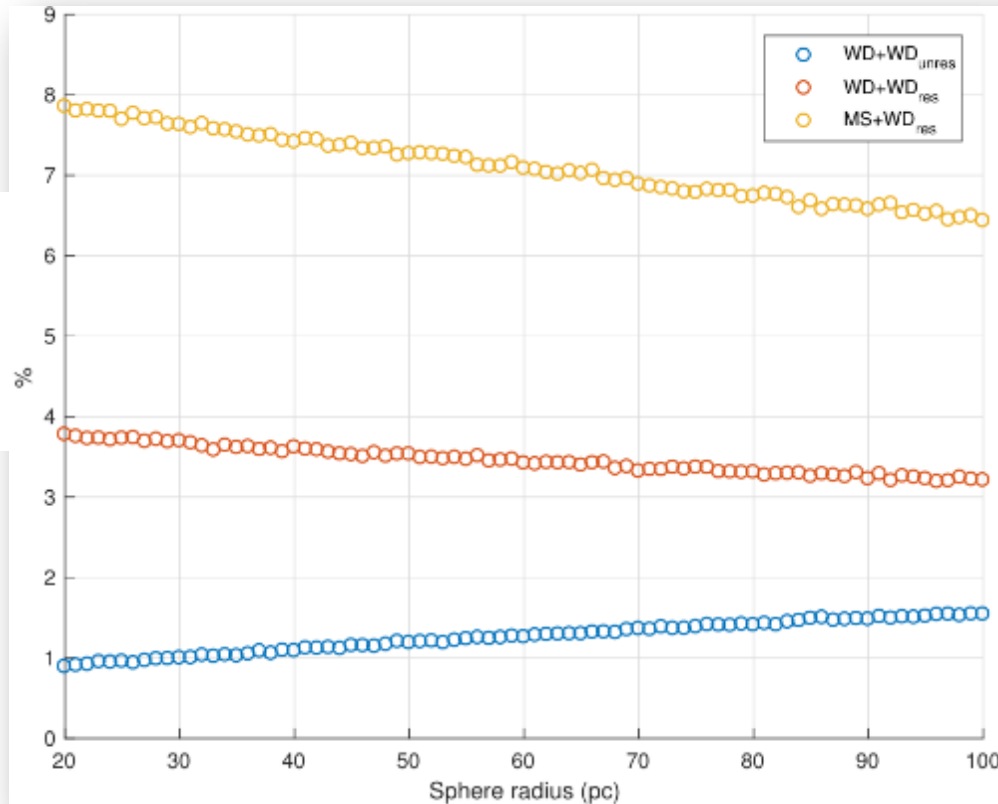
- Best-fit:
 $f_{bin} = 0.72$ &
 $\alpha_{IMF} = -2.53$
- 1σ level:
 $f_{bin} = \sim 0.62 - 0.8$ &
 $\alpha_{IMF} = -2.4 - 2.55$
- 2σ level:
 $f_{bin} = \sim 0.58 - 0.8$
regardless of
 α_{IMF}

- % for the best-fit model:
 - 2.86% DWD_{res} ; 6.35% $WDMS_{res}$; 1.51% DWD_{unres} ; 0.30% HeWD
 - Final binary fraction $\sim 15\%$

4. Results

- % as a function of the simple size

20 pc sample:
3.7 % DWD_{res}
8.3 % $MSWD_{res}$
0.8 % DWD_{unres}



100 pc sample:
2.9 % DWD_{res}
6.4 % $MSWD_{res}$
1.5 % DWD_{unres}

5. Conclusions

- The *Gaia*-DR2 catalogue up to 100 pc represents the larger complete (volume-limited) sample to date
- We analyzed the % of the different subpopulations: DWD, MSWD, resolved and unresolved
- Our population synthesis analysis reveals that:
 - Best-fit: $f_{\text{bin}}=0.72$; $n(q)=q^{-1}$; Sep=BPL; $\alpha_{\text{IMF}}=-2.53$
 - 1σ level: $f_{\text{bin}}\sim 0.62-0.8$ & $\alpha_{\text{IMF}}=-2.4-2.55$
 - 2σ level: $f_{\text{bin}}\sim 0.58-0.8$ regardless of α_{IMF}
- Closer to observed values:
 - Best-fit model: 2.9% DWD_{res} ; 6.4% WDMS_{res} ; 1.5% $\text{DWD}_{\text{unres}}$; 1% HeWD
 - Observed values: 1.4% DWD_{res} ; 7.0% WDMS_{res} ; 3% 'low mass' WDs
- Large fraction of mergers >30%



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