KINEMATICS OF THE MILKY WAY FROM VELOCITIES OF YOUNG RED CLUMP GIANTS USING THE PMA AND GAIA DR2 DATA

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ABSTRACT. Subsample of 19,600 young red clump giants with distances up to 1200 pc was selected from 7.2 mln Gaia DR2 data with radial velocities using the M_G vs. G – K_S diagram. Ages of these stars do not exceed 2 bln years. For this stellar subsample kinematic parameters of the Ogorodnikov-Milne model as well as the K_{xy}-term, Solar apex coordinates L_☉, B_☉ were derived from the 3D and 2D Gaia DR2 data as well as from the PMA proper motions. It was found that values of the OMM parameters derived from the 3D and 2D Gaia DR2 data are different. Removing stars with heliocentric distances 0-500 pc make the results consistent. For the 500-1200 pc stellar subsample value of the rotation velocity of the Galaxy at the Solar distance V_rot derived from the PMA proper motions is 205.2 ± 0.5 km s^{-1} while the values derived from the Gaia DR2 data are noticeably higher: V_rot(2D Gaia DR2) = 217.8 ± 0.3 km s^{-1} and V_rot(2D Gaia DR2) = 218.6 ± 0.3 km s^{-1}. The K_{xy}-term is negative and equal to −0.80 ± 0.03mas yr^{-1} when using 3D Gaia DR2 data while it diminishes significantly in case of usage of Gaia DR2 and PMA proper motions.

Keywords: Astrometric catalogues, Galactic kinematics, stellar proper motions, stellar radial velocities, Hertzsprung-Russel diagram.

АБСТРАКТ. Використовуючи діаграму M_G – (G – K_S) з 7.2 мільйонів об’єктів Gaia DR2 з відомими променевими швидкостями була вибрана підібірка 19,600 молодих гігантів червоного згущення з відстанями до 1200 пк. Для того, щоб виправити дані з-за погрізних і поглинань, використовувалась тривимірна карта поглинань Гоцяра. Згідно з теоретичними розрахунками Жіїров, ці зірки мають маси не менше 2-2.5 M☉, а значить їх вікі не перевищують 2 мільйонів років. Для цієї підібірки зірок з 2D (з використанням тільки власних рухів) і 3D (власні рухи плюс променеві швидкості) даними Gaia DR2, а також за власними рухами каталогу PMA були отримані кінематичні параметри моделі Огороднікова-Мілна, а також параметр розширення-стискання в галактичній площині (x, y) – K_{xy}, і координати апекса Сонця L_☉, B_☉. Було виявлено, що значення деяких параметрів моделі, отриманих за 2D і 3D даними Gaia DR2, помітно різняться між собою. Так, наприклад, значення параметра M_{12}, отриманого шляхом спільного рішення трьох рівнянь моделі Огороднікова-Мілна методом найменших квадратів, на 0.2мсд г^{-1} менше, ніж значення, яке було отримано за допомогою спільного рішення трьох рівнянь тільки для власних рухів Gaia DR2. Відхилення з вибірки зірок з відстанями 0-500 пк робить результати більш узгодженими. Для підібірки 500-1200 пк параметри ω_3 і M_{12}, отримані за даними Gaia DR2, відповідно рівні −2.54 ± 0.04мсд г^{-1} і 3.22 ± 0.04мсд г^{-1}, тоді як за даними каталогу PMA їх значення становлять −2.59 ± 0.06мсд г^{-1} і 2.83 ± 0.08мсд г^{-1}. В результаті значення лінійної швидкості обертання Галактики на відстані Сонця V_rot, яке було отримано за власними рухами PMA, становить 205.2 ± 0.5 km s^{-1}, тоді як значення, отримане за даними Gaia DR2, на 13 km s^{-1} вище: V_rot (Gaia DR2) = 218.2 ± 0.3 km s^{-1}. За даними 3D Gaia DR2 параметр K_{xy} є негативним і рівним −0.80 ± 0.03 мсд г^{-1}. Його величина по модулю значно зменшується в реї використанні власних рухів Gaia DR2 і PMA, і в межах 3σ є незначущою. Значення компоненти швидкості Сонця уздовж галактичної осі y, V_y, відносно центробід зірок має значення 11.59 ± 0.30 km s^{-1} за даними PMA і 13.0 ± 0.20 km s^{-1} за даними Gaia DR2. Цей факт є неприйнятим схвальненим, що зірки з нашої вибірки дійсно мають вікі не більше 2 мільйонів років (Gontcharov, 2012b).

Ключові слова: Астрометричні каталоги, кінематика Галактики, власні рухи зірок, променеві швидкості зірок, діаграма Герцшпрунга-Рассела.
1. Introduction

On April 25, 2018 the second release of the Gaia mission (Gaia DR2) has come out (Gaia collaboration et al., 2016; Gaia collaboration et al., 2018b). Based on 22 month observational time baseline, it provides coordinates, proper motions and parallaxes for more than 1.3 billion stars distributed uniformly through the celestial sphere. Among them, there is a $\sim 7.2$ mln stellar subsample with magnitudes $G < 15$ for which median radial velocities (RV) were provided as well. This subsample includes stars that have effective temperatures $T_{\text{eff}}$ within the range 3550-6000 K corresponding to FGK spectral types. These data give us a full information about how do stars move in the space.

It is well known that the Galaxy has a complex structure: there are at least four components such as thin, thick disks, halo and bulge. They differ from each other by kinematics, ages, metallicity, $\alpha$-element abundances, and maybe some others. In this study we select stars with ages do not exceeding 2 billion years and therefore belong to the Galactic thin disk. Stellar ages of the Gaia DR2 RV subsample used are not known but we have took advantage of the known property of the secondary clump of red giants in the colour-magnitude diagram (CMD). Since the works by Girardi et al.(1998) and Girardi (1999), the clump of stars located in the slightly bluer and fainter part of the CMD than the ordinary (main) clump of red giants is recognized as being formed by stars with initial masses $M \geq M_{\text{HeF}} \sim 2-2.5 M_{\odot}$ in the stage of central helium burning (CHeB). The main difference between giants belonging to the main and secondary clumps is that in the latter case stars reach the CHeB stage skipping the electron-degenerate core phase after the central hydrogen exhaustion, i.e. helium ignition begins under non-degenerate conditions (Girardi, 1999). Lifetimes of stars with masses $M > 2-2.5 M_{\odot}$ do not exceed 2 Gyr. Therefore, following Gontcharov (2012) we refer red giants belonging to the secondary clump to as young red clump giants (YRCG).

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 presents description of some properties of input data used for analysis of the stellar velocity field. In section 3 the procedure of selection of the young red clump giants is given. Details of usage of the Ogorodnikov-Milne model are presented in section 4. Kinematic analysis and conclusions are given in sections 5 and 6 respectively.

2. Input data

For kinematic analysis the Gaia DR2 RV and PMA catalogues data were used. As was noticed in Introduction, the Gaia DR2 RV subsample contains only FGK-type stars. Positions and parallaxes of these stars were derived with typical uncertainty 0.02 - 0.04 mas. Their proper motions are evaluated to be better than 0.07 mas yr$^{-1}$ while the RV precision varies from 0.3 km s$^{-1}$ at $G_{\text{VW}} < 8$ and 1.8 km s$^{-1}$ at $G_{\text{VW}} = 11.75$. Systematic RV errors are expected to be from less than 0.1 km s$^{-1}$ at $G_{\text{VW}} < 9$ to 0.5 km s$^{-1}$ at $G_{\text{VW}} = 11.75$. According to Gaia collaboration et al. (2018b), the second realisation of the Gaia celestial reference frame (Gaia-CRF2) at the faint end ($G \sim 19$) is aligned with the ICRF to about 0.02 mas at epoch J2015.5 and non-rotating with respect to the ICRF to within 0.02 mas yr$^{-1}$.

The PMA (Proper Motion Absolute) catalogue was derived in the laboratory of astrometry of Institute of astronomy of V.N. Karazin Kharkiv national university (Akhmetov et al., 2017) from combination of Gaia DR1 and 2MASS catalogues. It contains positions, proper motions, and $G, J, H, K_s$ photometry for more than 420 million objects covered the whole celestial sphere including the Galactic plane. From this stellar sample $\sim 6.9$ million stars that are common with the Gaia DR2 RV subsample were selected. Typical uncertainty of stellar positions is 10 mas.

Proper motions are estimated to have errors of the order of 2-5 mas yr$^{-1}$ at $10 < G < 17$. The zero-point of the proper motions was established using 1.6 million extragalactic sources. It has been shown (Akhmetov et al., 2017) that the PMA coordinate axes are non-rotating with respect to extragalactic sources from the LQAC3 and ICRF catalogues.

3. Selection of young red clump giants

All YRCG are in the Galactic plane. Therefore it is necessary to take into account interstellar extinction. To do this, the Gontcharov’s 3D extinction map (Gontcharov, 2017) was used. This map is limited by distance to 1200 pc and by Galactic coordinate $\pm 600$ pc. It is organized as follows. At every point of space with galactic coordinates $x, y, z$ (or $l, b, v$) values of $E(J - K_S), E(B-V), R_V$ and $A_v$ are provided. The resolution of the map is $50 \times 50 \times 50$ pc. To compute extinction and reddening at a given point $(x^*, y^*, z^*)$ the trilinear interpolation formula 1 was used.

$$f(x^*, y^*, z^*) \simeq$$

$$a \left[ f(x_1, y_1, z_1)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z^*) +
+ f(x_1, y_1, z_2)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_1) +
+ f(x_1, y_2, z_1)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_1) +
+ f(x_1, y_2, z_2)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_2) +
+ f(x_2, y_1, z_1)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_1) +
+ f(x_2, y_1, z_2)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_2) +
+ f(x_2, y_2, z_1)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_1) +
+ f(x_2, y_2, z_2)(x_2 - x^*)(y_2 - y^*)(z_2 - z_2) \right] \ (1)$$
where
\[ a = \frac{1}{(x_2 - x_1)(y_2 - y_1)(z_2 - z_1)} \]

YRCG can be identified using the colour-magnitude diagram in the $M_G - (G - K_S)$ coordinates. The red clump region in the CMD for stars with low extinction $E(J - K_S) < 0.05$ is shown in Fig. 1. It can be seen that there is a weak concentration of stars inside the ellipse shown by black solid line. These are the YRCG. We suggested that a star belongs to the secondary clump if it falls inside the ellipse centered at $(M_G, G - K_S) = (0.6, 1.9)$ with semiaxes $(\Delta M_G, \Delta (G - K_S)) = (0.5, 0.13)$. All red quality objects with $\sigma_{\alpha}/\sigma_{\delta} > 0.2$ were removed from the sample. As a result 19,600 YRCG with distances up to 1200 pc and $Z \pm 600$ pc were selected.

The Gontcharov’s map does not provide reddening for colour $G - K_S$, so we have found empirical relation between $E(J - K_S)$ and $E(G - K_S)$:
\[
E(G - K_S) = -904.2 E(J - K_S)^3 + 271.5 E(J - K_S)^3 - 12.1 E(J - K_S)^3 + 1.1 E(J - K_S)
\]

(2)

4. Usage of the Ogorodnikov-Milne model

All calculations were made in the rectangular heliocentric Galactic coordinate system the main plane of which coincides with the Galactic plane. The $x$ axis is directed towards the Galactic centre ($l = 0^\circ, b = 0^\circ$), hereafter it will be referred to as the $x$ or 1 axis. The $y$ or 2 axis is directed towards direction of Galactic rotation ($l = 90^\circ, b = 0^\circ$) while $z$ axis towards the direction parallel to one from centre of the Galaxy to its North pole ($b = 0^\circ$).

To analyse the stellar velocity field the Ogorodnikov-Milne model (OMM) was used (Ogorodnikov, 1965).

\[
V = V_0 + \Omega \times r + \mathbf{M}^+ \times r
\]

(3)

The OMM model contains 12 kinematic parameters: $X_\odot, Y_\odot, Z_\odot$ are the Solar motion components relative to the centred; $\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$, are components of the rigid-body rotation vector $\Omega$; $M^+_{12}, M^+_{13}, M^+_{23}$ are components of the tensor $\mathbf{M}^+$ characterizing velocities of deformations in the $(x,y)$, $(x,z)$ and $(y,z)$ Galactic planes; $M^+_{11}, M^+_{22}, M^+_{33}$ are components of the tensor $\mathbf{M}^+$ responsible for velocities of contraction-expansion of the stellar sample used.

Projecting the equation 3 onto the unit vectors of the Galactic coordinate system yields the following system of equations.
Table 1: The OMM kinematic parameters derived in this work.

| Parameter | Unit    | 0-1200 pc | 500-1200 pc |
|-----------|---------|-----------|-------------|
|           |         | Gaia, 3D | Gaia, 2D | PMA, 2D | Gaia, 3D | Gaia, 2D | PMA, 2D |
| $X_\odot$ | km s$^{-1}$ | 9.83±0.13 | 9.32±0.17 | 9.80±0.19 | 10.80±0.15 | 10.83±0.19 | 11.62±0.26 |
| $Y_\odot$ | km s$^{-1}$ | 11.64±0.13 | 11.71±0.18 | 10.6±0.21 | 12.63±0.15 | 13.40±0.22 | 11.59±0.30 |
| $Z_\odot$ | km s$^{-1}$ | 7.80±0.13 | 7.72±0.15 | 7.66±0.17 | 7.29±0.15 | 7.26±0.16 | 7.46±0.21 |
| $\omega_1$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | 0.37±0.10 | 0.44±0.11 | 0.50±0.13 | 0.69±0.08 | 0.65±0.09 | 0.12±0.12 |
| $\omega_2$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -0.73±0.10 | -0.72±0.11 | -0.92±0.13 | -0.55±0.08 | -0.45±0.09 | -0.68±0.12 |
| $\omega_3$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -2.54±0.10 | -2.58±0.06 | -2.62±0.07 | -2.55±0.04 | -2.53±0.04 | -2.59±0.06 |
| $M_{13}^+$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -0.26±0.10 | -0.35±0.13 | -0.43±0.15 | 0.03±0.08 | 0.10±0.10 | -0.02±0.14 |
| $M_{12}^+$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -0.55±0.10 | -0.55±0.13 | -0.95±0.15 | -0.41±0.08 | -0.27±0.10 | -0.67±0.13 |
| $M_{11}^+$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | 3.24±0.06 | 3.04±0.09 | 2.70±0.10 | 3.22±0.04 | 3.22±0.06 | 2.83±0.08 |
| $M_{11}^+(11)$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -1.86±0.09 | -2.19±0.24 | -2.05±0.19 | -1.76±0.06 | -2.00±0.11 | -2.11±0.16 |
| $M_{22}^+$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | 0.19±0.08 | - | - | 0.16±0.16 | - | - |
| $M_{33}^+(33)$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -0.06±0.08 | -0.63±0.23 | -0.82±0.27 | -0.23±0.14 | -0.68±0.17 | -2.11±0.23 |
| $V_{\text{rot}}$ | km s$^{-1}$ | 219.1±0.4 | 213.1±0.5 | 201.6±0.6 | 218.6±0.3 | 217.8±0.3 | 205.2±0.5 |
| $K$ | mas yr$^{-1}$ | -0.84±0.05 | -0.09±0.04 | -0.02±0.04 | -0.80±0.03 | -0.32±0.14 | -0.14±0.27 |
| $L_\odot$ | degree | 49.8±3.8 | 51.5±0.1 | 47.0±0.2 | 49.3±4.6 | 51.0±0.1 | 44.9±0.3 |
| $B_\odot$ | degree | 27.1±1.6 | 27.3±0.1 | 27.1±0.1 | 23.6±1.8 | 22.9±0.1 | 24.5±0.1 |

Figure 2: The $\omega_3, M_{12}^+, V_{\text{rot}}, K$ OMM parameters and $K_{xy}$-term derived from the 3D (filled circles), 2D Gaia DR2 (open circles) and PMA (filled squares) data for the 500-1200 pc YRCG subsample.
5. Kinematic analysis

All calculations were performed for the YRCG subsample described in section 3. The OMM equations 4, 5, 6 were solved by the least square method (LSR) using the Gaia DR2 RV data. This case we refer to as 3D one, because both proper motions and radial velocities were used. For comparison, the OMM parameters were derived from the Gaia DR2 proper motions only, i.e., by joint solving the equations 4, 5 (2D case). The results are given in columns 2, 3 of Table 1 as well as in Fig. 2. It can be seen that values of the $\omega_3$ parameter derived from 3D and 2D Gaia DR2 data are very close while values of the $M_{M_3}$ parameter have difference $M_{M_3}^{3D} - M_{M_3}^{2D} = 0.2$ mas yr$^{-1}$ leading to difference between values of linear Galactic rotation velocity: $V_{rot}(3D) = 219.1 \pm 0.4$ mas yr$^{-1}$ versus $V_{rot}(3D) = 213.1 \pm 0.5$ mas yr$^{-1}$. Proximity of the $\omega_3$ values in 3D and 2D cases can be explained by the fact that rotational components of the OMM $\omega_1$, $\omega_2$, $\omega_3$ do not have projections onto radial direction. However, there are small differences of order of 0.02-0.06 mas yr$^{-1}$ caused by redistribution of the OMM parameter values when using the LSR.

It is well known that the stellar velocity field in the Solar neighborhood can be disturbed by influence of the Gould Belt stars the characteristic radius of which is estimated to be $\sim 500$ pc. We removed stars with distances up to 500 pc from the YRCG subsample resulting in 15,000 stars within a distance range 500-1200 pc. The OMM parameters were recalculated for the second YRCG subsample using the 3D and 2D Gaia DR2 data. The results are shown in columns 5,6 of Table 1. It can be seen that values of the OMM parameters derived from the 3D and 2D Gaia DR2 data have become much more consistent. So, one can make a conclusion that a probable cause of the discrepancy between 3D and 2D calculations can be peculiarities of motions of the Gould Belt stars.

As for the $K_{xy}$-term, it has a negative values when using radial velocities: $K = -0.84 \pm 0.05$ mas yr$^{-1}$ and $-0.80 \pm 0.03$ mas yr$^{-1}$ for 0-1200 pc and 500-1200 pc stellar subsamples respectively. It means that the stellar subsample contracts. The $K_{xy}$-term becomes insignificant within 3$\sigma$ when using proper motions only.

In columns 4 and 7 of Table 1 values of the OMM parameters derived from the PMA proper motions are presented. Note a quite large difference between values of the $M_{M_3}$ parameter derived from the Gaia DR2 and PMA data leading to a lower estimation of $V_{rot}$ $205.2 \pm 0.5$ km s$^{-1}$ from the PMA proper motions versus $217.8 \pm 0.3$ km s$^{-1}$ from the Gaia DR2 proper motions. Values of the $K_{xy}$ term derived from the PMA data is insignificant within 3$\sigma$.

The mean age of the YRCG subsample can be estimated from values of the Solar motion component along the y Galactic axis $Y_\odot$. According to Gontcharov (2012b), the older stars the higher $Y_\odot$. It can be seen from our calculations that values of the $Y_\odot$ parameter vary from $10.6 \pm 0.21$ km s$^{-1}$ to $13.40 \pm 0.22$ km s$^{-1}$ depending on data used. This fact means that ages of stars belonging to the selected YRCG subsample do not exceed 2 bln years, as we expected.

Values of the Solar apex coordinate $L_\odot$ vary from $44^\circ 9 \pm 0^\circ 3$ to $51^\circ 5 \pm 0^\circ 1$ depending on data used. Values of the $B_\odot$ are systematically shifted when using different stellar subsamples. $B_\odot$ in average is equal to $27^\circ 2$ for the 0-1200 pc stellar subsample while $23^\circ 7$ for the 500-1200 pc one.

6. Conclusions

Kinematic analysis of the stellar velocity field of the YRCG with distances up to 1200 pc using the OMM was carried out. The kinematic parameters from the 3D, 2D Gaia DR2 and PMA data were derived. It was concluded that the stellar velocity field within 500 pc around the Sun is probably disturbed by influence of the Gould Belt stars. When removing stars with distances 0-500 pc from the YRCG subsample the results derived from the 3D and 2D Gaia DR2 data become consistent.

Value of the rotation velocity of the Galaxy at the Solar distance $V_{rot}$ derived from the PMA data for the 500-1200 pc subsample is lower by 13.4 km s$^{-1}$ and 12.6 km s$^{-1}$ than values derived from the 3D and 2D Gaia DR data respectively. $V_{rot}$(PMA) = $205.2 \pm 0.5$ km s$^{-1}$, $V_{rot}$(2D Gaia DR2) = $217.8 \pm 0.3$ km s$^{-1}$, $V_{rot}$(2D Gaia DR2) = $218.6 \pm 0.3$ km s$^{-1}$.

The $K_{xy}$-term is negative and equal to $-0.80 \pm 0.03$ mas yr$^{-1}$ when using 3D Gaia DR2 data while it diminishes in case of usage of Gaia DR2 and PMA proper motions.

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