Investigations of asteroids in Pulkovo observatory

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at Pulkovo observatory (Saint-Petersburg)

Cassegrain system

D = 320 mm *F* = 3200 mm

CCD-camera SBIG STX-16803 4096×4096 pix. $9 \times 9 \ \mu m$ (binning 3×3 pix) FoV $\approx 39' \times 39'$

BVRI filters



<u>MTM-500M</u>

at Mountain astronomical station of Pulkovo observatory (Northern Caucasus, h = 2100 m)

Maksutov – Cassegrain system + extra lens corrector

D = 500 mm *F* = 4100 mm

<u>CCD-camera</u> SBIG STL 1001E 1024 × 1024 pix. 24 × 24 μm

FoV ≈ 21′ × 21′

BVRI filters



APEX-II – CCD-frame processing software

- Calibration fitting, synthesis and application of darks and flats
- Sky background smoothing
- Object detection using threshold algorithm
- Deblending
- Object center detection using PSF method
- Flux measurement using aperture or PSF methods
- Noise rejection
- Identification of measured objects with reference catalogues (USNO-A2, USNO-B1, TYCHO-2, HIPPARCOS, UCAC-4, 2MASS, user's catalogues)
- Astrometric reduction using several methods
- Identification of unknown objects using EPOS module (asteroid and comet searching)
- Creation of report in standard format (e.g. MPC format)





(Ephemeris Program for Objects of Solar System) software for celestial-mechanics computations and visualization





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The software is available at: http://www.epos.gao.spb.ru/personal/neo/ENG/ESUPP/main.html

Directions

Astrometric positions → orbit enhancement

Modeling of orbital evolution taking into account:

- light pressure,
- Yarkovsky's effect,
- close approaches

Lightcurves → rotation parameters m.b. shape

B\RI → color indices m.b. taxonomy



NEAs Binary asteroids Asteroids that have close approaches to inner planets Asteroids named by Pulkovo astronomers And other International observational campaigns **GAIA FUN SSO** "Project on coordinated observations of hazardous objects" (INASAN) **Triangulation of 2014 HQ124**

New direction: Quasi-satellites

Some recent results

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(367943) Duende = 2012 DA14 close approach (27700 km) to the Earth on 15-th of February 2013 (GAIA FUN SSO training observational campaign)

436 astrometric positions with average accuracy 0".43 for right accention 0".26 for declination

> Color indices $B-V = 0.86^{m} \pm 0.15^{m}$ $V-R = 0.39^{m} \pm 0.04^{m}$ $R-I = 0.36^{m} \pm 0.03^{m}$

Possible Tholen class: G, C

Duende orbital evolution



Duende orbital evolution (EPOS calculations)



Horseshoe-shaped orbit in 1916 – 2004 (before 1916 – circulatory orbit) 1-2 – quasi-satellite orbit in 2004 – 2013
2-3 – circulatory orbit after 2013-02-15

Duende light-curves





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♦ MTM-500M (19 febr.) Northern Caucasus, Russia

Preliminary results of modeling

of **Duende** rotation



Semi-axis of body ellipsoid (NASA radar data) – 4:2:1, semi-axis of "photometrical" ellipsoid – 10:2:1 ⇒heterogeneous albedo and/or non-ellipsoidal form Rotation of rotational axis (tumbling)



Close approach (0.0086 a.u.) on 2014-06-08.

GAIA FUN SSO training observational campaign

 Campaign of Lohrman observatory (Dresden) for triangulation (synchronous observations)

84 astrometric positions with average accuracy 0".19 for right accention 0".26 for declination including 18 positions

at appointed time moments for triangulation



2013 TV135

Approach (0.045 a.u.) on 2013-09-17. (GAIA FUN SSO training observational campaign)



2013 TV135



 $G = -0.06 \pm 0.03$ $H_R \approx 18.7^m \pm 0.2^m$

2013 TV135



$p = 2.3512^{h}$ ± 0.0004^h





Approach (0.049 a.u.) on 2014-01-22.







$P = 2.718^{h}$

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AZT-16 (Cerro El Roble, Chile)

Double-meniscus Maksutov system

D = 1.0 m (mirror) D = 0.7 m (meniscus) F = 2.06 m

Astrometric FoV $\approx 5^{\circ} \times 5^{\circ}$

<u>CCD-camera</u> SBIG STX-16803 4096 × 4096 pix. 9 × 9 μm FoV ≈ 1° × 1°

Up to 22^m







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Thank you for your attention!