The discovery of a nearby 1700 km/s hyper-velocity star ejected from the Galactic Centre

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Outline

- S5 project
- HVS search
- Properties of S5-HVS1
- Origin of S5-HVS1

S5 project motivation

- Stellar stream follow-up
- Measure gravitational potential, stream perturbations
- Use Gaia selected targets





S5 project



- USA/Australia/UK
- S5 leadership: Ting Li, Dan Zucker, Geraint Lewis, Kyler Kuhn
- Key members: Joss Bland-Hawthorne, Denis Erkal, Alex Ji, Sergey Koposov, Yao-Yuan Mao, Jeremy Mould, Andrew Pace, Nora Shipp, Jeffrey Simpson
- Other members: Sahar Allam, Eduardo Balbinot, Keith Bechtol, Vasily Belokurov, Andrew Casey, Lara Cullinane, Gary Da Costa, Gayandhi De Silva, Alex Drlica-Wagner, Marla Geha, Dougal Mackey, Sarah Martell, Andrew Pace, Sanjib Sharma, Josh Simon, Douglas Tucker, Kathy Vivas, Zhen Wan, Risa Wechsler, Brian Yanny
- Web-site htts://s5collab.github.io

S5 observations

- AAT, AAOmega 2dF; 400 fibers,2 degrees FoV
- 25 nights, 2 hour exposures
- Main selection: Isochrone + Gaia proper motions
- Significant number of spare fibers
- Targeted all blue objects, low-z galaxies, white dwarfs, RR Lyrae, Extremely metal-poor stars (from Skymapper)



S5 statistics

- 43000 unique spectra
- ~ 200 square degrees
- Mainly Southern sky
- ~ 2000 blue stellar targets (BHB/BS/WD)







- NIR+optical 1700D/580V; spectral resolution R=10000/1300
- Stellar atmospheric model fits RVSpecFit code (Koposov 2019) https://github.com/segasai/rvspecfit
- RV systematic floor ~ 0.5 km/s



S5-HVS1

- RV ~ 1020 km/s
- A-type spectrum, logg=4.3, Teff = 9600K, [Fe/H] ~ 0.4
- No RV variability (over ~ 9 months)



Gaia measurements for S5-HVS1

- Gaia G = 16
- G_{BP}-G_{RP}=0
- $(\mu_{\alpha}, \mu_{\delta}) = (35.3, 0.58) \pm 0.1 \text{ mas/yr}$

• π =-0.04±0.09 mas



Photometry

- Gaia G = 16
- Detected from GALEX to WISE
- No evidence of photometric variability
- MIST isochrone fit



Photometry + Spectroscopy

- Distance ~8.5 kpc
- High logg
- High metallicity [Fe/H]>0
- Mass ~ 2.35M₀



Origin of S5-HVS1

- The 90% confidence region is an 1500 x 50 pc ellipse centred on the GC
- The association with the GC is highly significant $BF = \frac{P(D|GC)}{P(D|disk)} \gtrsim 300$



S5-HVS1 vs other HVS

• The most confident association with the GC



Ejection parameters

- Ejection velocity
 ~ 1800 km/s (vs
 ~ 1750km/s
 current velocity)
- Flight time ~4.8 Myr
- SMBH potential ignored.



3-D geometry



Constraining the potential

- Gnedin+2005
- Deceleration by only ~ 50 km/s
- The changes of the potential lead to ≤ 20 pc shifts
 of the contour of origin.



Constraining the Sun's location & speed

- Hattori+2018
- Assumption of the GC origin constrains Sun's speed and Sun-GC distance.
- Vx, Vy, Vz constraining power very different
- Only two parameters could be constrained



Constraining the Sun's location & speed

- Y-component of Solar motion and R₀
- With the Gravity prior on $R_0 V_y = 246 \pm 5 \text{ km/s}$



Hills mechanism; parameters of the binary

- Using Bromley+2006 we can infer
- Semi-major axis: 0.03-1 au
- Mass of the secondary 1-15 $\rm M_{\odot}$



S-stars and S5-HVS1 The orbit of S5-HVS1 lies within the plane of young stars around the GC (clock-wise disk: Levin+2003; Paumard+2006; Bartko+2009)



S-stars orbits from Gillessen+2017

Comparing to other HVS

- The ejection velocity ~ twice the velocity of other stars
- Assuming the spectrum is a power-law Pvalue ~ 1%
- Different mechanism ?
- A single event ?



Conclusions

- S5-HVS1 the best case for the Hills ejection by SgrA*
- S5-HVS1, we can study abundances near the GC
- Is S5-HVS1 different ?
- Is there connection to the disk of S-stars ?
- Was there an event 5 Myr ago ? Should we search hard for slower HVS near the GC ?
- Should we search for HVS in the plane clockwise disk ?

I am happy to talk/open for collaborations.