

Task 1 : The following code opens an astronomical data file and divides it into 5 arrays.

In [48]:

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#Open the text file as StarData and split it into separate lines
with open('StarData.txt') as StarData:
    lines = StarData.read().splitlines()

StarID = [] #Star ID number
AppMag = [] #Apparant magnitude
Colour = [] #Observed B-V Colour
Parallax = [] #Observed Parallax
DeltaP = [] #Uncertainty in Parallax

#Split each line into individual numbers and assign them to the relevant array
for line in lines:
    Columns = line.split()
    StarID.append(eval(Columns[0]))
    AppMag.append(eval(Columns[1]))
    Colour.append(eval(Columns[2]))
    Parallax.append(eval(Columns[3]))
    #DeltaP.append(eval(Columns[4]))

#for loop to check that the data in the relevant arrays match the data in the StarData file
for i in range(0, len(AppMag), 500):
    print(StarID[i], "AppMag:", AppMag[i], "Colour: ", Colour[i])
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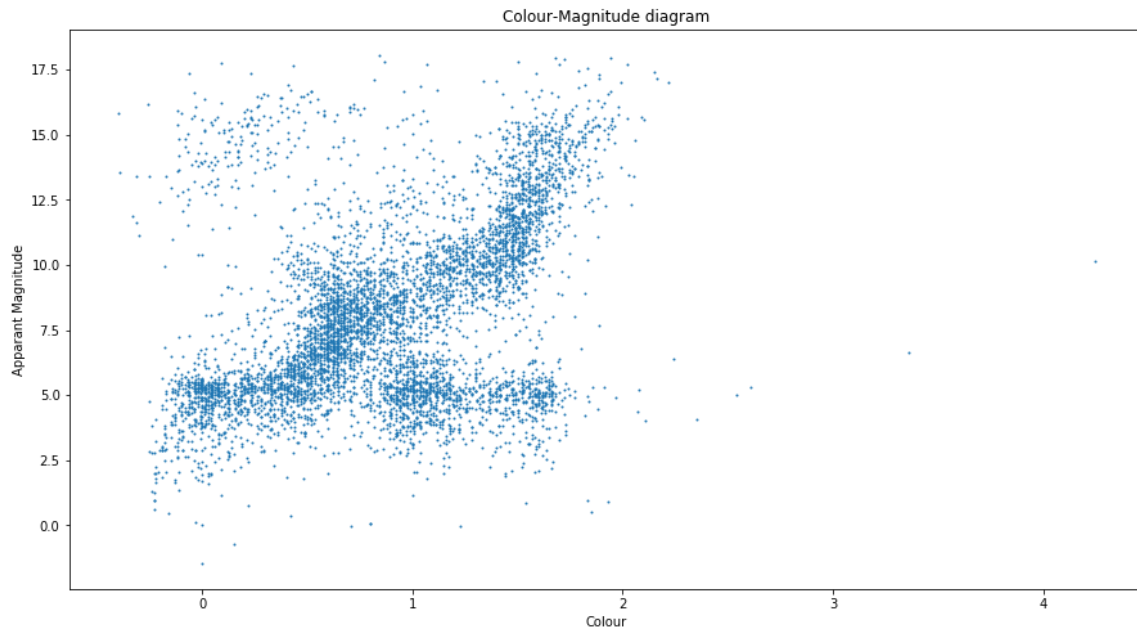
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2.0 AppMag: 4.61 Colour: 1.04
412.01 AppMag: 11.03 Colour: 1.54
886.01 AppMag: 15.28 Colour: 1.93
1326.01 AppMag: 14.14 Colour: 1.46
1827.0 AppMag: 11.2 Colour: 1.59
2301.0 AppMag: 6.24 Colour: 1.25
2764.0 AppMag: 8.94 Colour: 0.8
3198.1 AppMag: 11.25 Colour: 1.45
3626.0 AppMag: 5.41 Colour: 0.6
4071.0 AppMag: 10.65 Colour: 1.22
4588.0 AppMag: 8.83 Colour: 0.67
5106.1 AppMag: 9.56 Colour: 0.64
5608.0 AppMag: 3.9 Colour: 1.02
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Task 2: A scatter plot is made, showing apparent magnitude vs colour

In [47]:

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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

#Plot Apparant Magnitude of the Star vs the B-V Colour
plt.figure(figsize = (15, 8))
plt.scatter(Colour, AppMag, s = 1)
plt.xlabel("Colour")
plt.ylabel("Apparant Magnitude")
plt.title("Colour-Magnitude diagram")
plt.show()
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Task 3: Manipulate the data to plot the Hertzsprung-Russell diagram

In [37]:

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import numpy as np

dist = [] #Array for distances
AbsMag = [] #Array for absolute magnitudes of stars
LenParallax = len(Parallax)

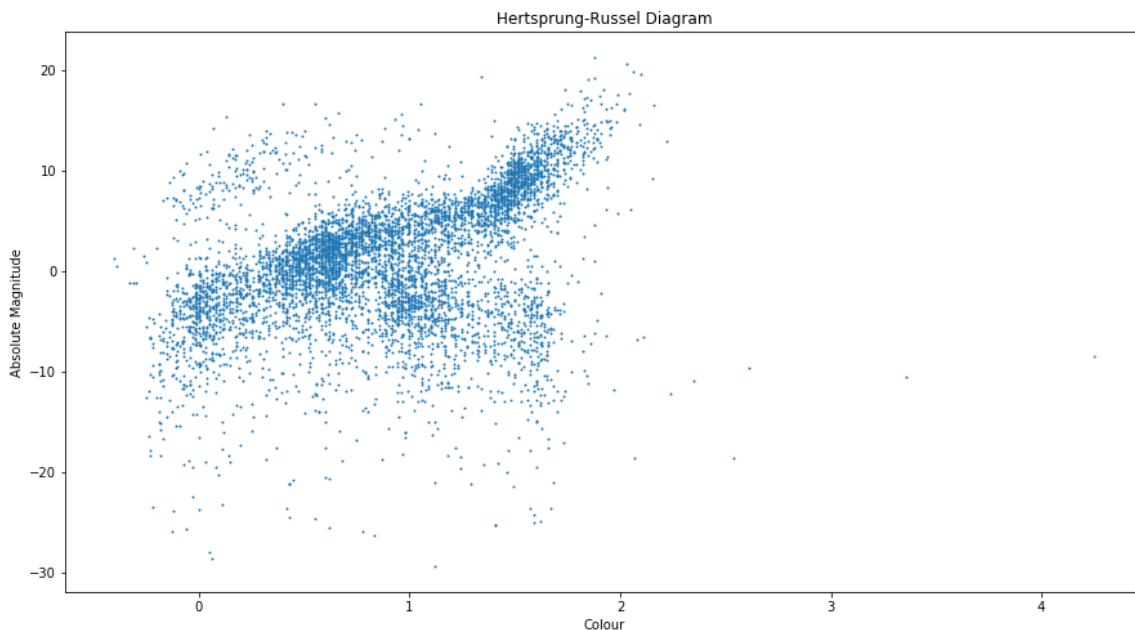
#Every distance value is equal to the inverse of the parallax
for i in range (LenParallax):
    dist.append(1/Parallax[i])

#compute the absolute magnitude values
for i in range (LenParallax):
    AbsMag.append(AppMag[i] - 5 * np.log(dist[i]/10))

#Plot Hertz-Russell diagram
plt.figure(figsize = (15, 8))
plt.title("Hertsprung-Russel Diagram")
plt.xlabel("Colour")
plt.ylabel("Absolute Magnitude")
plt.scatter(Colour, AbsMag, s = 1)
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Out[37]:

<matplotlib.collections.PathCollection at 0x299ab74ec50>



The above plot does not resemble the Hert-Russull diagram, so I will create a function that would count the numbers of the various star types. I will test the function using two hypothetical star types.

In [44]:

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#function to calculate the number of a certain star category. Input expected colour and  
magnitude ranges that you expect the star type to occupy  
def category(colour1, colour2, magnitude1, magnitude2):  
    NumStar = 0 #Number of stars of a certain type  
  
    #If a value in the colour array and absolute magnitude array are within the expected  
parameter, add 1 to NumStar  
    for i in range(LenParallax):  
        if(colour1 < Colour[i] < colour2 and magnitude1 < AbsMag[i] < magnitude2 ):  
            NumStar += 1  
    return NumStar  
  
#Test the function using 2 hypothetical star types  
print("Star A: ", category(0, 1, 0, 10)) #Star found between 0 and 1 Colour value and 0  
to 10 AbsMag values  
print("Star B: ", category(0, 1, 10, 20))
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Star A: 1600

Star B: 87