ESA614: Computational Astrophysics

Assignment #3

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Attached file *blazar_S0716.dat* contains the photometric observations of a blazar S50716+714.‡

Choose finely sampled block of data in timescale of a few hours around 5th Jan 2016 and 29th Jan 2016. Interpolate the magnitude vs time data with both Lagrange and Cubic Spline (use *scipy.interpolate* for spline) interpolation.

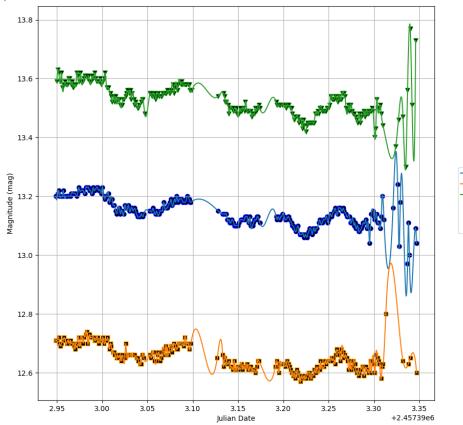
Choose the more appropriate interpolation method out of these two, interpolate V, R, and I light curves. Obtain *V*-R and *R-I* colors.

- (i) Separately plot *V-R* and *R-I* colors vs R magnitude and see (visually) if there is correlation between color variation and flaring.
- (ii) Plot a color-color diagram (*V-R* vs *R-I*) of the blazar.

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In [10]: from astropy.io import ascii
         from astropy.table import Table
         import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
         from scipy import interpolate
         import numpy as np
         #plt.style.use('seaborn-bright')
         plt.style.use('default')
         fig = plt.figure(figsize = (10,10))
         data = ascii.read("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/abrahammathew
         s2000/Dataset for Gcolab/main/LabMockTest1/blazar S0716.dat",delim
         iter=' ')
         data order = data[data.argsort('date')] # To order in Ascending or
         der
         mask date index = (data order['yr'] == 2016) & (data order['month
         '] == 1) & (data order['day']>=5) & (data order['day']<=6)
         #mask date index = (data order['yr'] >= 2011) & (data order['yr']
         <= 2018)
         data selected = data order[mask date index]
         mask Rband = (data selected['band'] == 'R')
         mask Iband = (data selected['band'] == 'I')
         mask Vband = (data selected['band'] == 'V')
         data selected Rband = data selected[mask Rband]
         data selected Iband = data selected[mask Iband]
         data selected Vband = data selected[mask Vband]
         #Spline Interpolate
         x min = min(data selected Rband['date'][0],data selected Iband['da
         te'][0],data selected Vband['date'][0])
         x max = max(data selected Rband['date'][len(data selected Rband['d
         ate'])-1],data selected Iband['date'][len(data selected Iband['dat
         e'])-1],data selected Vband['date'][len(data selected Vband['date
         '])-1])
         x=np.linspace(x min,x max,5000)
         xRband = np.linspace(data selected Rband['date'][0],data selected
         Rband['date'][len(data selected Rband['date'])-1],5000)
         rBandSpline = interpolate.CubicSpline(data selected Rband['date'],
         data selected Rband['mag'])
         plt.plot(xRband,rBandSpline(xRband),label = 'Spline for R Band')
         #Iband
         xIband = np.linspace(data selected Iband['date'][0],data selected
         Iband['date'][len(data selected Iband['date'])-1],5000)
         iBandSpline = interpolate.CubicSpline(data selected Iband['date'],
         data selected Iband['mag'])
         plt.plot(xIband,iBandSpline(xIband),label = 'Spline for I Band')
         #Vband
         xVband = np.linspace(data selected Vband['date'][0],data selected
         Vband['date'][len(data selected Vband['date'])-1],5000)
         vBandSpline = interpolate.CubicSpline(data selected Vband['date'],
         data selected Vband['mag'])
         plt.plot(xVband,vBandSpline(xVband),label = 'Spline for V Band')
         plt.scatter(data selected Rband['date'],data selected Rband['mag
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'],color='black',edgecolors = 'blue',label="R band (Data Points)",
marker = 'o')
plt.scatter(data_selected_Iband['date'],data_selected_Iband['mag
'],color='black',edgecolors = 'orange',label="I band (Data Point
s)",marker = 's')
plt.scatter(data_selected_Vband['date'],data_selected_Vband['mag
'],color='black',edgecolors = 'green',label="V band (Data Point)
s)", marker = 'v')
plt.legend(bbox to anchor = (1.05, 0.6))
plt.xlabel("Julian Date")
plt.ylabel("Magnitude (mag)")
plt.grid()
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plt.show()



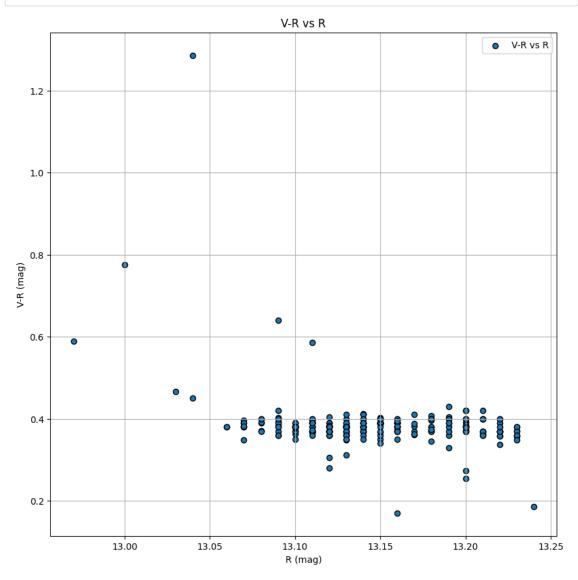
Spline for R Band

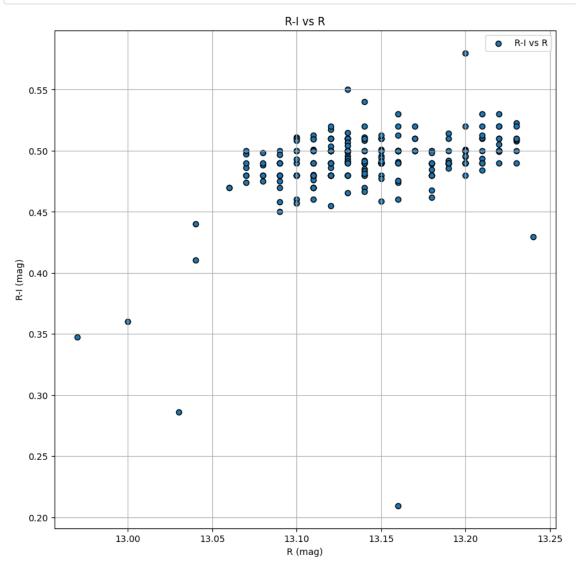
Spline for I Band Spline for V Band R band (Data Points) I band (Data Points) V band (Data Points)

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In [14]: # i)
# To plot V-R vs R magnitude
fig = plt.figure(figsize = (10,10))

plt.scatter(data_selected_Rband['mag'],(vBandSpline(data_selected_Rband['date'])-data_selected_Rband['mag']),label = 'V-R vs R',mark
er ='o',edgecolors = 'black')

plt.title('V-R vs R')
plt.legend()
plt.xlabel("R (mag)")
plt.ylabel("V-R (mag)")
plt.grid()
plt.show()
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In [13]: # ii)
# To plot V-R vs R-I magnitude
fig = plt.figure(figsize = (10,10))

plt.scatter((data_selected_Rband['mag']-iBandSpline(data_selected_Rband['date'])), (vBandSpline(data_selected_Rband['date'])-data_selected_Rband['mag']), label = 'V-R vs R-I', marker ='o', edgecolors = 'black')

plt.legend()
plt.title('V-R vs R-I')

plt.xlabel("R-I (mag)")
plt.ylabel("V-R (mag)")
plt.grid()
plt.show()
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