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ABSTRACT

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1. INTRODUCTION

The simulation of Milky Way–M31–M33 orbital evolution was described previously (Marel et al. 2012). That paper included an extensive analysis of both N-body simulations and semi-analytic orbit integrations. The present study uses data from the same N-body simulation to carry out further computational analysis.

2. DATA

Data from one N-body simulation in (Marel et al. 2012) was supplied in text-file format by one of the original authors. This included position and velocity data for each particle at the current epoch ($t = 0$) and 800 future timesteps. For ease of analysis, this was all transferred to the open source database PostgreSQL[1] (approximately 1.35 billion records). The same database was used for computed summary data during the analysis.

Particle counts for each timepoint are shown in Table 1

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3. SOFTWARE

(Toomre & Toomre 1972)

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