Triple star systems

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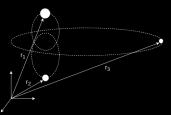


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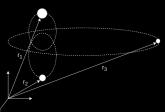




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- ► If I have time, try to simulate one known triple system: Burgasser+ 2012.