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Reason 1: Flux Contamination



Reason 2: Target Selection



TESS Input Catalog (TIC)

- Same purpose as the KIC for Kepler, the EPIC for K2, the PIC for PLATO ... *but all sky*
- Based on a federation of all-sky catalogs (2MASS, UCAC-2, APASS, WISE, ...)
- Contains coordinates, identifiers, photometry, TESS magnitudes, kinematics and estimates of stellar properties

TESS Magnitudes



Giant - Dwarf Classification



~95% reliable, but ~50-60% subgiant contamination (similar to KIC and EPIC)

Effective Temperatures



De-reddening using empirical ZAMS or 3D Maps problematic near the galactic plane! Ryan Oelkers

log(g), Radii and Masses



- From spectroscopic surveys whenever possible
- Otherwise T_{eff}-ZAMS relations (i.e. not available for giants!)

TIC Exoplanet Target Selection

transiting Candidate Target List (tCTL)

- 2.4M targets, subset of the TIC
- Source of ~200,000 2-min cadence targets for transit detection
- Optimized for the detection of small planets; might not include ancillary exoplanet targets (e.g. seismic subgiants, white dwarfs, etc)
- Priority ranking for all stars $\propto R_{star} \sigma^{0.5}$

tCTL: Simulations



TESS: ~ 80% K-M dwarfs

Sullivan et al. 2015

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Timeline and Future Work

TIC Timeline

- **10/2016:** 1st public TIC release (on MAST), *possibly including Gaia DR1*
- 12/2016: GO Cycle 1 Announcement
- 6/2017: GO Targets selected
- 6/2017: 2nd public TIC release
- 7-8/2017: Assembly of final exoplanet target list
- 8/2017: Gaia DR2 (?)
- 12/2017: TESS launch

The Gaia Impact

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Summary

- **TESS Input Catalog (TIC):** equivalent of KIC/ EPIC for Kepler/K2; first release in Oct 2016
- Stellar Classifications: giant/dwarf
 classifications good to ~95%, T_{eff} problematic for
 low b; use with caution (similar to KIC/EPIC!)
- Exoplanet Target Selection: aim for ~80% K-M dwarfs, i.e. little overlap with asteroseismology

