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Feedback from the 2nd ESCAPE-VO School

22-24 February - 04 March 2022



Goals of the School

Participants* learn how to efficiently use VO tools and services for their research

*including representatives of ESFRI projects involved in ESCAPE

Participants share their requirements and feedback, so that we can:
improve the tools
improve training

Organisation

6 tutorials in 3 days - online on zoom



1 week asynchronous work on participants' projects



1 day presentations from participants



Program

Introduction to ESCAPE and the VO

CDS intro tutorial
(CDS Portal, SIMBAD, Aladin, VizieR, X-match)

Transient events exploration
(Topcat, VOSA, SVO DiscTool, SPLAT-VO)

Gaia data in Topcat & Stilts

Exploring large catalogues with HiPS & MOCs
(Jupyter notebook)

Accessing and cross matching of big data sets with ADQL

Electromagnetic follow-up of gravitational-wave events
(Aladin, MOCs)



Tutors

Various roles:

Tutorial design and presentation

Scientific & technical discussion

Back-up support on zoom

One-to-one meetings and mentoring for participants' projects

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Enrique Solano	Spanish Virtual Observatory
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Research fields

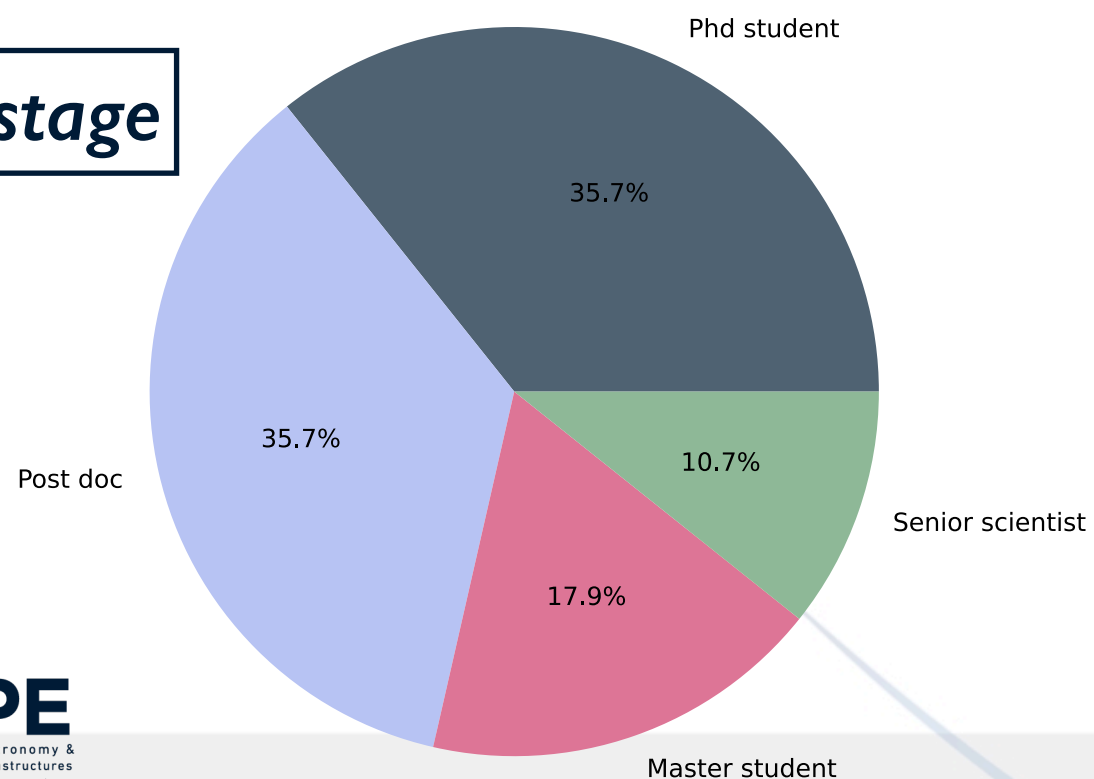


30 Participants

Country



Career stage



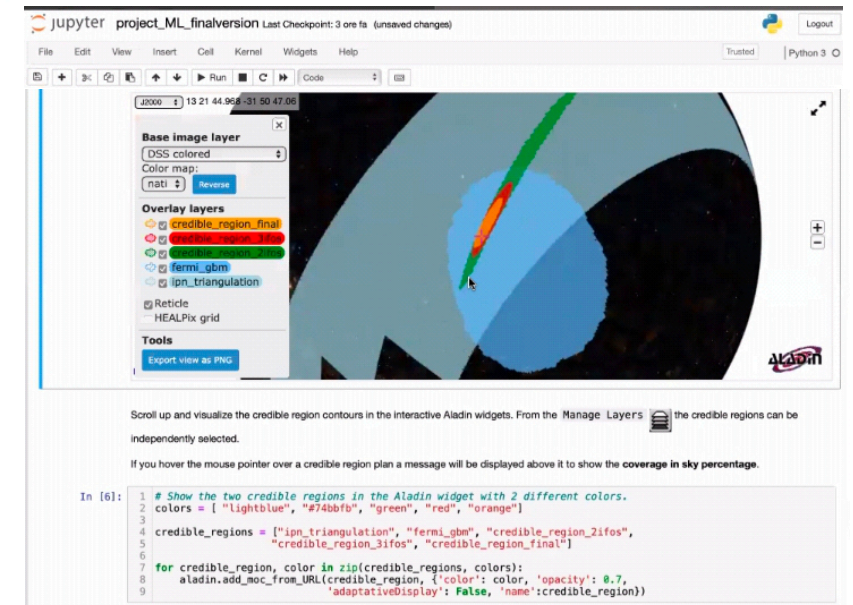
Participants' projects

Using VO tools and citizen science to search for X-ray treasures

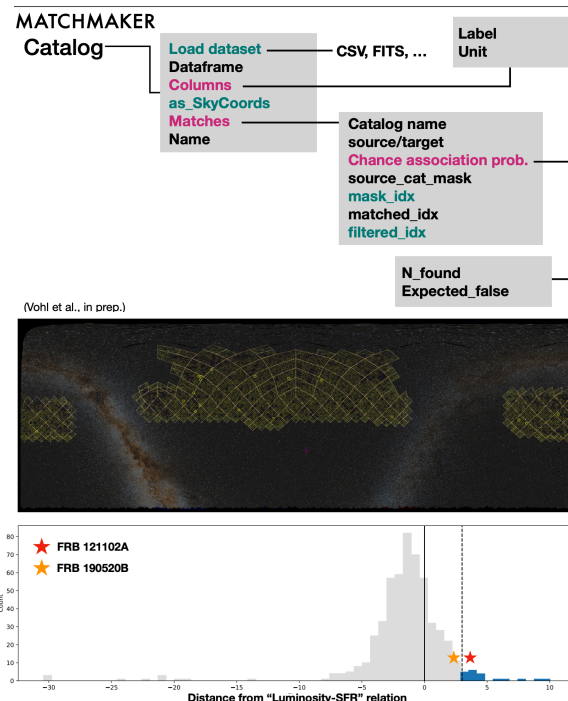
Searching for runaway massive stars using VO tools

Multi-messenger astronomy in the context of the VO framework

High-energy data exploration with the VO



Project by ML Brozzetti



Project by D. Vohl

Transient alerts with the VERITAS telescope

Towards Kazakhstan Virtual Observatory using data archive of the Fesenkov Astrophysical Institute

VO, FRBs & PWNs at low frequencies

All-sky brown dwarf search



Feedback

Have you used VO tools and services before the school?

Answered: 22

A. Yes: 16 (72.73%)

B. No: 6 (27.27%)



How would you rate the school overall

Answered: 22

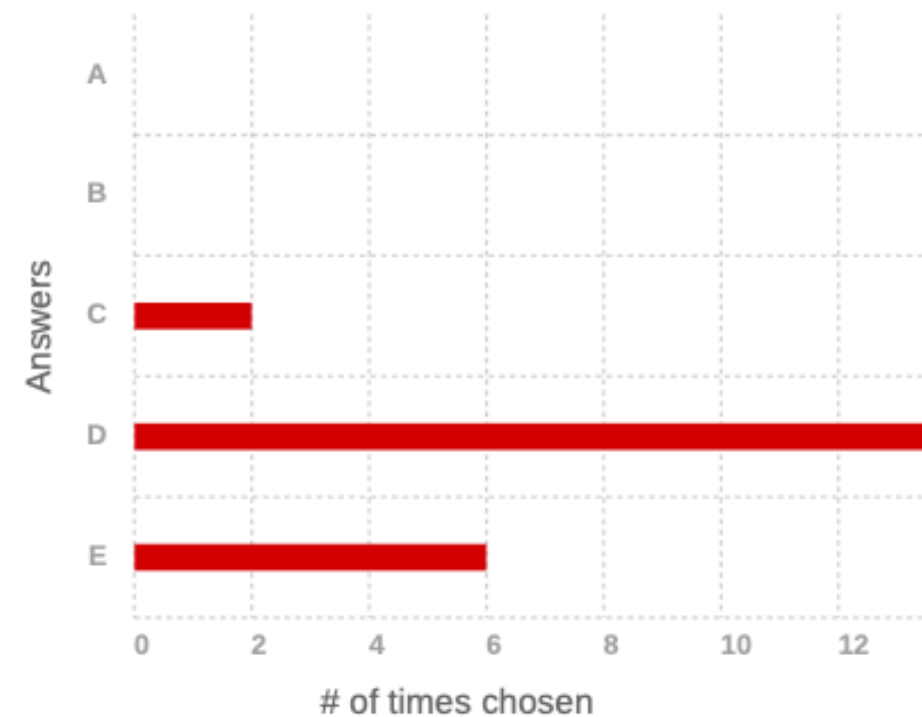
A. Poor: 0 (0.00%)

B. Satisfactory: 0 (0.00%)

C. Good: 2 (9.09%)

D. Very good: 14 (63.64%)

E. Excellent: 6 (27.27%)



Feedback

For each tutorial: level of difficulty, usefulness, time allocated, open comments

Excerpt of general comments:

A hint what is applicable for use within our solar system would have been nice.

In some tutorials there wasn't enough "do it yourself" time between the steps to keep up with the tutor because I haven't worked with some of the platforms before. But in overall it was very interesting.

I have some trouble to organise all the windows on my pc to follow the tutor and run on my pc, maybe in presence this problem do not appear

I was amazed to learn so much things hands-on! Having tutors for our projects is also very nice.

I think the school is very well organized. Tutorials have been clear, illustrative and helpful. Thanks a lot!



