

Identification of ultracool dwarfs in J-PLUS DR2 using Virtual Observatory tools and machine learning techniques.

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Abstract

We present the search for ultracool dwarfs (UCDs, spectral types later than M7 V) performed across the entire Javalambre Photometric Local Universe Survey (J-PLUS) second data release (2176 deg²) following a Virtual Observatory methodology. We also explored the ability to reproduce this search with a purely machine learning (ML)-based methodology that relies solely on J-PLUS photometry. We followed three different approaches based on parallaxes, proper motions, and colours, respectively, using the VOSA tool to estimate the effective temperatures. For the ML methodology, we built a two-step method based on principal component analysis and support vector machine algorithms. We identified a total of 7827 new candidate UCDs, which represents an increase of about 135% in the number of UCDs reported in the sky coverage of the J-PLUS second data release. With the ML approach, we obtained a recall score of 92% and 91% in the 20×20 deg² regions used for testing and blind testing, respectively. We consolidated the proposed search methodology for UCDs, which will be used in deeper and larger upcoming surveys such as J-PAS and Euclid. We concluded that the ML methodology is more efficient in the sense that it allows for a larger number of true negatives to be discarded prior to analysis with VOSA, although it is more photometrically restrictive.

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