The Chandra Galactic Bulge Survey

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Finding progenitors to SN Type Ia.

Deriving the (magnetic) white dwarf mass distribution in CVs

The GBS area:



Extinction map i-band

A multi-wavelength project: X-ray survey.

 Sensitive to faint sources and excellent position accuracy. 260 observations. 2 ks each.



The majority of sources are 3 count detections.





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- Spectroscopy with VIMOS (VLT), EFOSC2 (NTT), GMOS (Gemini).





First Results

X-RAY SURVEY

 The Galactic Bulge Survey: Outline and X-ray Observations (Jonker et al. 2011)
 The Galactic Bulge Survey: Completion of the X-Ray Survey Observations (Jonker et al. 2014)

SHALLOW PUBLIC SURVEYS

3.- Identification of Galactic Bulge Survey X-Ray Sources with Tycho-2 Stars (Hynes et al. 2012)4.- Radio sources in the Chandra Galactic Bulge Survey (Maccarone et al. 2012)

NEAR-INFRARED SURVEY

5.- Near-infrared counterparts to the Galactic Bulge Survey X-ray source population (Greiss et al. 2014)

OPTICAL (VARIABILITY) SURVEY

6.- Variability of Optical Counterparts in the Chandra Galactic Bulge Survey (Britt et al. 2014)

OPTICAL (SPECTROSCOPY) SURVEY

7.- Identification of 23 accreting binaries in the Galactic Bulge Survey (Torres et al. 2014)
8.- Identification of Five Interacting Binaries in the Galactic Bulge Survey (Britt et al. 2013)
9 Gemini Spectroscopy of Galactic Bulge Sources: A Population of Hidden Accreting Binaries Revealed? Wu et al. submitted.

INDIVIDUAL SOURCES

10.- HD 314884: a slowly pulsating B star in a close binary (Johnson et al. 2014) 11.- CXOGBS J174444.7-260330: a new long orbital period cataclysmic variable in a low state (Ratti et al. 2013) 12.- CXOGBS J173620.2-293338: A Candidate Symbiotic X-Ray Binary Associated with a Bulge Carbon Star (Hynes et al. 2014)

http://www.sron.nl/~peterj/gbs/

INDIVIDUAL OBJECTS



CX44 (=AX J1755.7-2818): quiescente LMXB or CV

Photometric long-term variability and $L_x = 1e^{32}$ erg/s



Mosaic-II shows flickering

DECam shows modulation

CX377: a likely quiescent LMXB



Ha: FWHM = 1200 km/s

Hα long-term variability. F-type companion. High extinction (distant)

 $L_x = 8e^{32} erg/s$

Unveilig accreting binaries (Wu et al. 2014) **Optimal subtraction of spectral template to objects that** do not show H α in emission.





Ha: FWHM = 660 km/s

Ha: FWHM = 1350 km/s

CX332: a candidate symbiotic X-ray binary





At Bulge distance: $L_x = 2e^{32} \text{ erg/s}$.





CX1004: a quiescent black hole LMXB? Hα profile consistent with a BH LMXB or eclipsing CV. M-type companion. Low extinction (nearby). $L_x = 2e^{30} \text{ erg/s}$





Ha: FWHM = 2100 km/s $\Delta v = 1170 \text{ km/s}$.



DECam shows flickering

The GBS Predictions



The GBS predictions and strategy:

Survey upper limit:

 $F_x = (1-3)e^{-14} erg/s/cm^2$

$(L_x = (1-3)e^{31} (d/1 \text{ kpc})^2 \text{ erg/s})$



polars and quiescent LMXBs

Number of non-magnetic CVs, intermediate

Hα long-term variability: Hα long-term variability:





Tores et al. (2014)

SDSS J102347.6+003841



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A variability project: optical

168 optical variables





Britt, Hynes et al. (2014)



A variability project: optical

• Blanco 4m/Mosaic-II. r'-band only. 12-18 July 2010. Covering 3/4 of the GBS area (16 < r' < 23)...





98 Off-chip

Britt, Hynes et al. (2014)

Variability not enough to confirm counterparts.



A variability project: infrared • VVV/UKIDSS GPS/2MASS comparison. Greis, Steeghs et al. (2013).





CXB0282 (RA = 266.22813, Dec = -32.195942) RA = 266.2277, Dec = -32.1956, dist = 1.776 and χ^2 = 73.8242707373



donor star dominated light curves



