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Systematic Review

A Library of 77 Multibody Solar and Extrasolar Subsystems A Review of their Dynamical Properties, Global Mean-Motion Resonances, and the Landau-Damped Mean Tidal Fields

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Abstract: We revisit 77 relaxed (extra)solar multibody (sub)systems containing 2-9 bodies orbiting about gravitationally dominant central bodies. Most of the multiplanet systems (68) have been observed outside of our solar system, and very few of them (5) exhibit classical Laplace resonances (LRs). The remaining 9 subsystems have been found in our solar system; they include 7 well-known satellite groups in addition to the four gaseous giant planets and the four terrestrial planets; and they exhibit only one classical Laplace resonant chain, the famous Galilean LR. The orbiting bodies (planets, or dwarfs, or satellites) appear to be locked in/near global mean-motion resonances (MMRs), as these are determined in reference to the orbital period of the most massive (most inert) body in each (sub)system. We present a library of these 77 multibody subsystems for future use and reference. The library listings of dynamical properties also include regular spacings of the orbital semimajor axes. Regularities in the spatial configurations of the bodies were determined from patterns that had existed in the mean tidal field that drove multibody migrations toward MMRs, well before the tidal field was erased by the process of ‘gravitational Landau damping’ which concluded its work when all major bodies had finally settled in/near the global MMRs presently observed. Finally, detailed comparisons of results help us discern the longest commonly-occurring MMR chains, distinguish the most important groups of triple MMRs, and identify a new criterion for the absence of librations in triple MMRs.

Keywords: exoplanet dynamics; extrasolar systems; gravitational landau damping; orbital resonances; solar-system subsystems; tidal interactions

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1. Introduction

We have analyzed the orbital configurations of 77 planetary and satellite subsystems and we have collected the results in a library for future use and reference. The study involves the global mean-motion resonances (MMRs) [1–18] observed in solar and extrasolar settings, as well as the few classical Laplace resonances (LRs) so far discovered in exoplanetary systems and the Galilean satellites (Refs. [15–24] and [23–28], respectively). The regular spatial layouts of the orbits resulting from gravitational Landau damping of the long-gone mean tidal field [14–16,29–34] are also analyzed and included in the library.

The library covers extensively 40 exosystems with 5-9 orbiting bodies. Another 28 exosystems with 2-4 orbiting bodies are included to provide a basis for comparisons with the more populous exosystems; in this group, only 3 four-body systems exhibit LRs (GJ 876, HR 8799, and K-176).

The extrasolar orbiting objects are categorized as planets or dwarf planets according to their surface gravities g ; the critical solar threshold applied also to exoplanets is $g_{\text{crit}} = 2.7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ [35]. Furthermore, the solar-system satellites are also divided by size into small-sized (mean diameter $D < 0.5 \text{ Mm}$), large-sized ($D > 1 \text{ Mm}$), and the few largest of the large satellites (seven moons with $D > 1.6 \text{ Mm}$), although surface gravity is used again as a qualifier with corresponding threshold values of $g_{\text{low}} = 0.13 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ and $g = 1 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ [35].

For each (sub)system, the input parameters (central host masses and radii, orbiting object masses and radii, orbital semimajor axes, and orbital periods) and the output modeled parameters (individual tidal-field wavelengths and systemic mean Landau wavelengths, nearest global MMRs and their deviations relative to the observed periods of the orbiting objects) are listed in separate tables that are included in the archive (folder *Analysis_Files*) that constitutes supplementary material to this paper (DOI link: <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.14577621>). Here, we illustrate the main results from comparisons concerning the orbital periods, the global resonances, the surface gravities, and the regularly-spaced semimajor-axis configurations in each (sub)system. In particular:

In Section 2, we summarize our modeling assumptions and the adopted physical constraints.

In Section 3, we show some representative plots of the main results that illustrate the global MMR layouts and the spatial configurations of the orbiting bodies in these (sub)systems. In this section, we also classify the various subsystems into three general MMR groups:

- (a) Six Laplace resonances, including the famous Galilean LR (Section 3.1, Figures 1–5).
- (b) Seven global solar-system MMRs and our local terrestrial MMR (Section 3.2, Figures 6–10).
- (c) Sixty-three extrasolar non-LR MMRs with 2-9 orbiting planets (Section 3.3, Figures 11–18).

In Section 4, we compare extensively the results from modeling of the 77 multibody systems. This section is divided in 12 parts as follows:

1. Classical Laplace resonances.
2. Solar-system: Gaseous giant planets.
3. Solar-system: Terrestrial planets.
4. Solar-system: Satellite systems.
5. Exosystems with 2-9 planets and no classical LRs.
6. Commonly-occurring triple MMR chains.
7. Tidal-field wavelengths and theoretical Landau wavelengths.
8. Extrasolar dwarf planets by their surface gravities $g < 2.7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$.
9. Bodies on or near the so-called “critical orbital period” of each system.
10. Summary of the longest global MMR chains and the geometric sequences.
11. Beyond the classical LRs: Summary of important groups of triple MMR chains.
12. A criterion for the absence of librations in triple MMR chains.

In Section 5, we collect and summarize briefly the various topics covered in Sections 2–4, and we cross-reference the topics, the figures, and the tables of the paper.

2. Modeling Assumptions and Adopted Constraints

In modeling the nearest MMRs to orbiting bodies, we take the following steps:

1. The most massive (and most inert) body is assigned to the 1:1 MMR at the “center” of the MMR chain.
2. In the few cases where the most massive body is too distant from the group of the other bodies, the most massive body of the group is assigned to the 1:1 MMR for a better look at the resonant chain (e.g., K-90, K-176, K-254).
3. If the masses of the bodies are not known, then the largest body is assigned to the 1:1 MMR. When mass information will be obtained, the adopted global MMR chain can be easily rescaled if necessary.

4. Distant outer bodies (say, beyond the 5:1 MMR) are assigned only to principal exterior MMRs of the form $k:1$, where k is a large positive integer.
5. Inner bodies orbiting near the host (say, inward of the 1:5 MMR) are also assigned only to principal interior MMRs of the form $1:k$, where k is a large positive integer.
6. Rational secondary MMRs of the form $k:\ell$ with integer $k, \ell \neq 1$ are limited, as much as possible, to single-digit values of k and ℓ , i.e., $2 \leq k, \ell \leq 9$. Important exceptions in this case are some geometric MMR sequences (e.g., K-444) and some distant MMRs disconnected from the inner compact chains (e.g., 14:5 for K2-268 f and HD 191939 g that are obviously displaced inward from 3:1 for some unknown reason).
7. When peculiar fractions appear to be necessary in long MMR chains, the MMRs are fitted by a single denominator, if possible (see, e.g., the MMR chain $\frac{1}{70}(1:3:13:40:70)$ in GJ 163).

In modeling the regular spacings of the orbits, we take the following steps:

1. In each system, the empirically determined wavelength λ of the long-gone mean tidal field cannot be longer than the theoretical Landau wavelength $\lambda_L = 2\pi H$ calculated from the Hill radius H of the most massive body [16].
2. The empirically determined wavelength λ is maximized, subject to the constraint

$$\lambda \leq \lambda_L, \quad (1)$$

in order to specify the longest possible wavelength that is not Jeans unstable [31,34].

3. The nearest neighbors of the most massive body should be separated from it by a distance of at least 2λ . Low-mass bodies may however be separated by a distance of only 1λ .
4. The local Landau wavelength of each body i ($\lambda_i = 2\pi h_i$, where h_i is the body's Hill radius) should not overlap with the wavelengths $\lambda_{i\pm 1}$ of its nearest neighbors.
5. Some very low-mass bodies (e.g., the innermost Neptunian moons Naiad, Thalassa, Despina [36] and the three innermost planets b-c-i of K90 [37–39]) are caught orbiting inside the same tidal potential trough, yet their orbits do obey comfortably the no-overlap condition 4.
6. The mean tidal field is expected to show a minimum at the location of the central host. In some systems, this precise condition is not achieved (e.g., the Galilean moons and TRAPPIST-1 (TR-1) shown below); then, the actual wavelength λ is expected to be somewhat different than our best-fit value, and the orbiting bodies are by all means displaced off of the actual minima of their tidal potential troughs.

3. Library Setup and Details

The library archive is located at the DOI address <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.14577621>. The files are organized in groups in the main folder `The_77_Systems`, and their contents are described in the top-level file `README.txt`. The text files (`*.txt` and `*.m`) contain listings of the following dynamical parameters, most of which are collected in the `Output.txt` file of each system:

1. Central host mass M_* , radius R_* , and surface gravity g_* .
2. Orbiting-body periods P_i , semimajor axes a_i , masses m_i , radii r_i , and surface gravities g_i .
3. Orbiting-body period ratios $P_i/P_{(1:1)}$, nearest global MMRs, and their relative deviations.
4. Subsystem critical orbital period \bar{P}_{crit} [16] and whether a body is orbiting to within $< 8\%$.
5. Theoretical Landau wavelength λ_L and empirical wavelength λ of the mean tidal field [16].
6. Orbiting-body Hill radii h_i and local Landau wavelengths $\lambda_i = 2\pi h_i$.
7. For each pair of adjacent orbiting bodies i and $i+1$, a comparison between $\lambda_i + \lambda_{i+1}$ and $a_{i+1} - a_i$. It is generally expected that the adjacent local Landau wavelengths should not overlap (certainly not substantially), viz.

$$\lambda_i + \lambda_{i+1} \leq a_{i+1} - a_i. \quad (2)$$

8. Pairs of bodies in which condition (2) is violated (marginally or decidedly) are noted by *** in the Output.txt files. The systems that show clear violations should be revisited in future studies. The systems that show "marginal" overlaps are not considered as cause for concern.
9. Certain issues and peculiarities encountered during modeling are noted under the heading "Needs more work" in the following 21 Output.txt files of the library: 55 Cnc, GJ 163, HD 20781, HD 108236, HD 158259, HR 8799, K-11, K-33, K-36, K-55, K-80, K-102, K-150, K-238, K-254, K-292, K-363, K-1542, K2-384, TOI-270, Teegarden's Star (TS).
10. In particular, peculiar or at least unusual MMR chains are found in the following 18 systems (see the corresponding files System_Name.m and System_Name.eps): 12 also found in the preceding list, GJ 163, HD 108236, K-11, K-33, K-36, K-80, K-238, K-292, K-363, K-1542, TOI-270, TS; and additionally, HD 191939, K-32, K-154, K2-38, K2-268, TOI-700.

Specific open-source reference works (papers) concerning observations and dynamical modeling of the various (sub)systems are also included in the library in PDF format (files Author1_Year.pdf).

The EPS file figures included in the library (and the representative subset of figures shown below) delineate the following pieces of information:

1. The title displays the names of the orbiting bodies.
 - a. A number in parentheses denotes the radial location (n) of the most massive body.
 - b. The names of solar-system bodies are abbreviated by their initials.
 - c. Names of bodies not shown in the plots are enclosed in parentheses.
2. The top frame shows the spatial distribution of semimajor axes.
 - a. The empirically determined value of "Minimum Separation" 2λ is displayed.
 - b. The value of 2λ is determined from the most massive body and its neighbors [16].
 - c. Vertical dotted lines are drawn in intervals of 2λ .
 - d. Vertical dashed lines are midlines of the corresponding 2λ intervals.
 - e. Blue circles denote the semimajor axes of the orbits.
3. The bottom frame shows the distribution of orbital-period ratios.
 - a. The nearest global MMRs are displayed in $k:\ell$ form.
 - b. Nearest MMRs to bodies not shown in the plots are enclosed in parentheses.
 - c. Presence of a Laplace resonance in the MMR chain is indicated by the symbol (LR).
 - d. Vertical dotted lines denote the precise locations of the nearest MMRs.
 - e. Red circles denote the normalized orbital periods P_i/P_n .
 - f. The normalizing period is P_n , where n is specified in item 1a above.

Some representative examples are shown in the following three subsections (Figures 1-18, all of them selected from the EPS files of the library).

3.1. Laplace Resonances: The Galilean LR and the 5 Extrasolar LRs

NOTES:

1. These 6 LRs have also been discussed extensively in Ref. [23].
2. The LR in HD 219134 (HR 8832) (not shown below) is unconfirmed [40,41].
3. In K-176, the most massive planet b is not part of the c-d-e LR [24,42].
4. In K-176, the most massive planet of the LR (planet d) is assigned to the 1:1 MMR.
5. SI units of Mm and Gm are used for the Galilean-moon subsystem.
6. Units of au and mau (10^{-3} au) are used for the extrasolar systems.
7. Figures are shown below for the Galilean moons (Figure 1), GJ 876 (Figure 2), HIP 41378 (Figure 3), HR 8799 (Figure 4), and K-176 (Figure 5).

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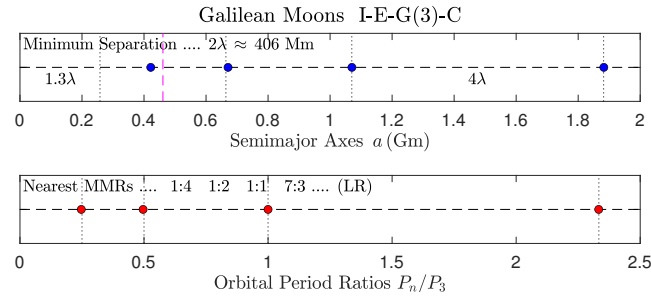


Figure 1. Galilean moons.

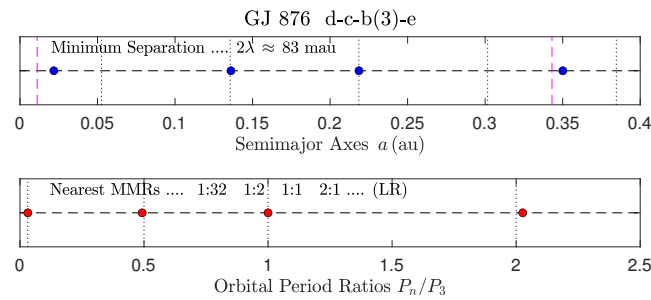


Figure 2. GJ 876.

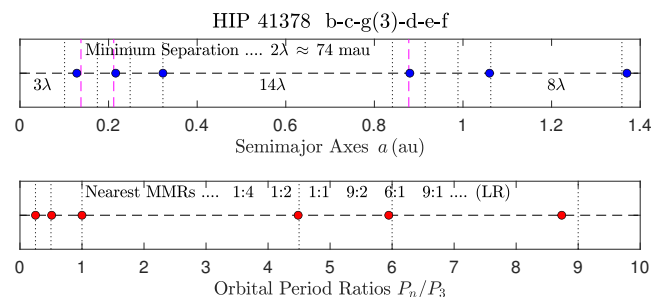


Figure 3. HIP 41378.

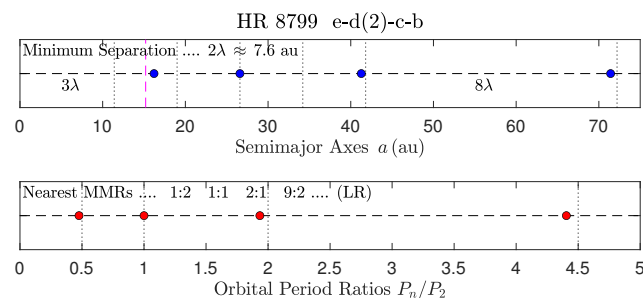


Figure 4. HR 8799.

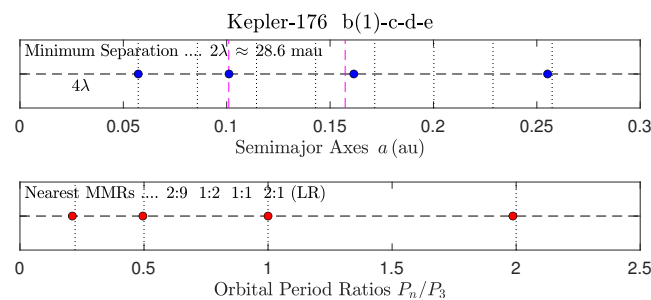


Figure 5. K-176.

3.2. Solar Subsystems: The Terrestrial Local MMR and the 7 Global Non-LR MMRs

NOTES:

1. Units of au are used for the planetary subsystems.
2. SI units of Mm are used for the satellite subsystems.
3. Venus and Ceres are shown with the gaseous giants, but they are not included in the fit.
4. Asteroid Toro [43] is shown with the terrestrial planets, but it is not included in the fit.
5. The five inner moons of Neptune with semimajor axes $a_i < 74$ Mm [36] are also plotted separately for clarity (file Solar_8/Neptune_moons_9s/Neptune_Inner.m in the library).
6. Figures are shown below for the gaseous giants (Figure 6), the terrestrial planets (Figure 7), and the moons of Saturn (Figure 8), Uranus (Figure 9), and Pluto (Figure 10) [44–47].

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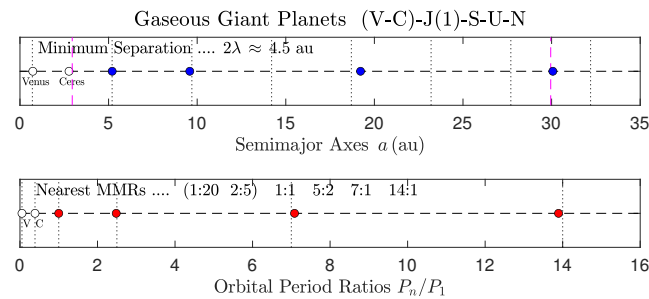


Figure 6. Gaseous giant planets.

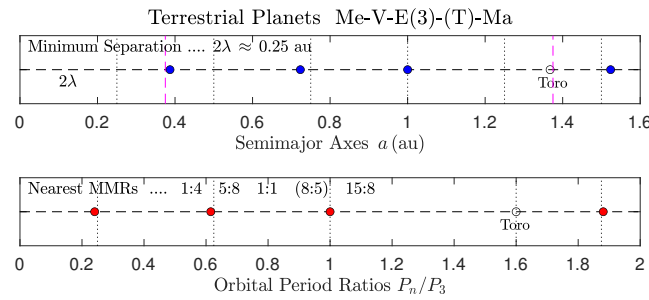


Figure 7. Terrestrial planets.

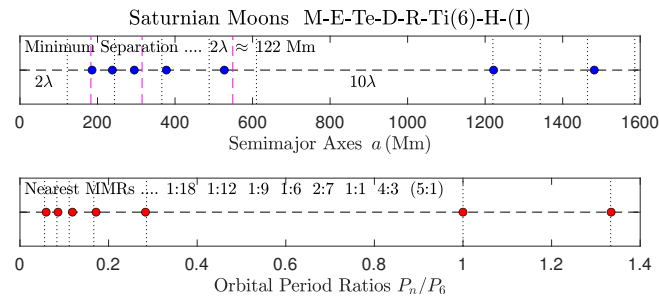


Figure 8. Saturnian moons.

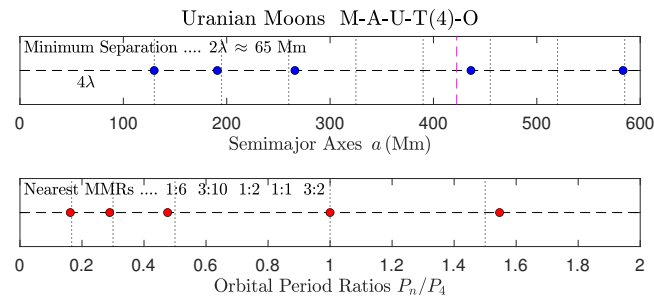


Figure 9. Uranian moons.

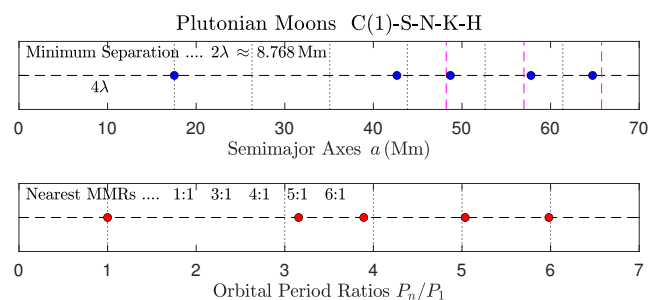


Figure 10. Plutonian moons.

3.3. Extrasolar Planetary Systems: The 63 Global Non-LR MMRs

NOTES:

1. Units of au and mau (10^{-3} au) are used for the extrasolar systems.
2. In HD 10180, planets i and j [48–50] are not confirmed, but they fit very well in the chain.
3. In K-444 [51–53], planets d-e-f display a geometric MMR sequence with common ratio $r = 5/4$, viz. $\left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^2 : \frac{4}{5} : 1$ [24].
4. The triple MMR chain of K-60 [54–56] shows a phase angle that librates about 180° and that was analyzed in depth in Refs. [18,24].
5. Pulsar B1257+12 [57–60] is also included in the subset of exosystems with three orbiting planets (folder 3p_15/B1257_12 in the library).
6. Figures are shown below for HD 10180 (Figure 11), K-90 (Figure 12), TR-1 (Figure 13), TOI 1136 (Figure 14), K-444 (Figure 15), K2-32 (Figure 16), K-60 (Figure 17), and K-51 (Figure 18).

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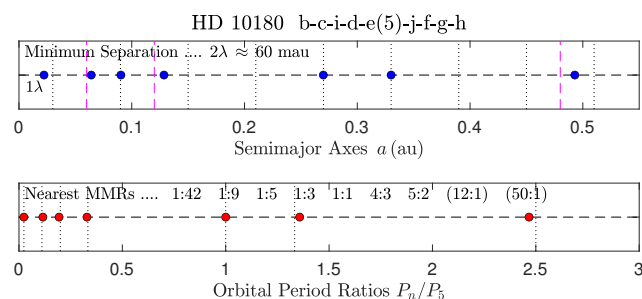


Figure 11. HD 10180.

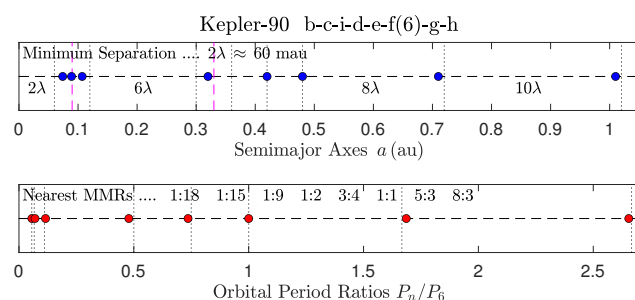


Figure 12. K-90.

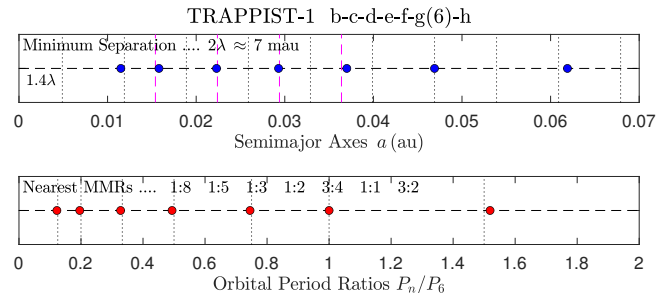


Figure 13. TRAPPIST-1 (TR-1).

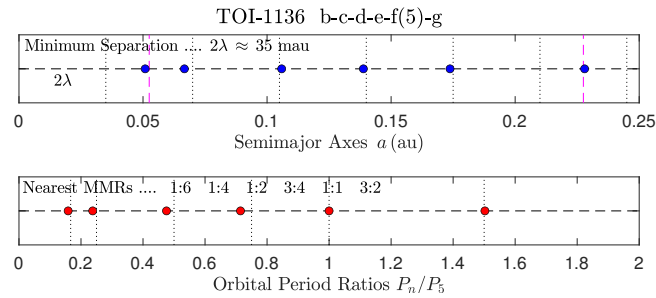


Figure 14. TOI-1136.

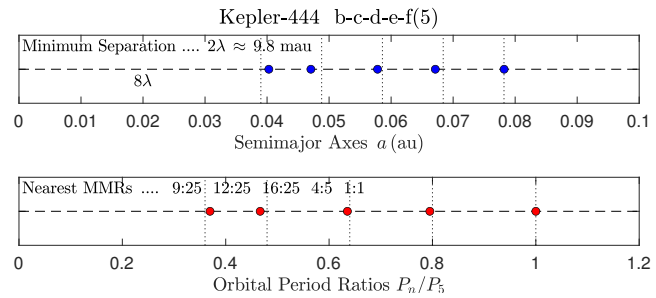


Figure 15. K-444.

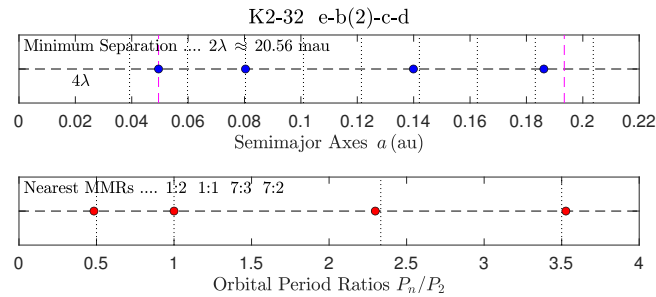


Figure 16. K2-32 [61–63].

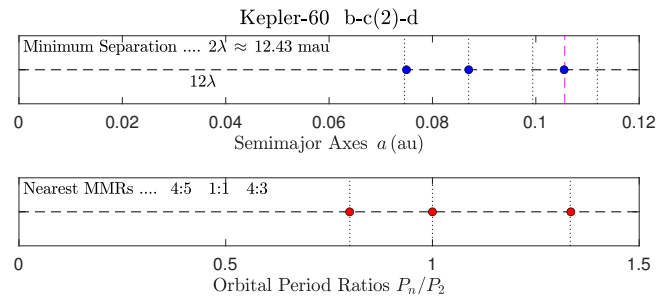


Figure 17. K-60 [18,54–56].

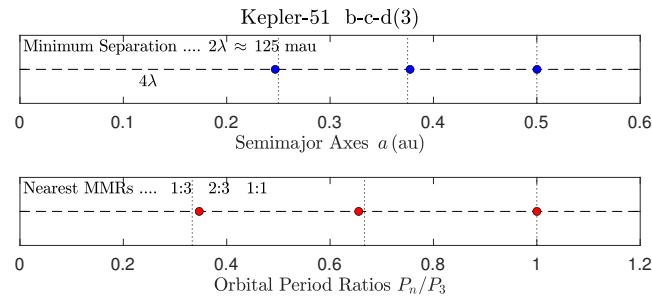


Figure 18. K-51 [64–66].

4. Comparisons of Results

1. *Classical Laplace resonances.*—Table 1 summarizes the systems that exhibit classical LR (see also Figures 1–5 and Refs. [23,24]):

- The Galilean-moon subsystem has been analyzed in Ref. [16].
- The LR of HIP 41378 is the only one that has the same layout as the famous Galilean LR.
- No LR has been found with the most massive body at radial position $n = 1$ (viz. 1:2:4).
- The 9:2/2:9 MMRs are not too uncommon in LR-systems (or in non-LR systems; e.g., K-48, K-332, HD 23472).
- Callisto’s 7:3 MMR is unique in LR-systems, and the 3:7 interior MMR does not occur—although these resonances are quite common in non-LR systems.^{1,2}

2. *Solar-system: Gaseous giant planets.*—Figure 6 shows the spatial and MMR arrangements of the gaseous giants of our solar system:

- This subsystem has been analyzed in Ref. [16].
- Beyond Jupiter, the semimajor axes of the gaseous planets form approximately an arithmetic progression with common difference $\Delta a \sim 10$ au, in which dwarf Pluto also participates. This type of layout also occurs in the Mercury-Venus-Earth subsystem ($\Delta a \sim 0.3$ au), and these two arithmetic progressions are sufficient to invalidate the empirical Titius-Bode rule [67] on both ends of the solar planetary sequence.
- Pluto is orbiting near the 21:1 MMR, and together with Uranus (7:1) and Neptune (14:1), the bodies form a triple MMR of the reduced ratio 1:2:3. This reduced ratio is quite common in exosystems, but the actual integer 1:2:3 MMR does not occur in multibody systems supporting thus the vacancy of the 2:1 MMR.³
- The 2:1 global MMR of Jupiter is vacant (see also Refs. [15,68]). Saturn could not occupy this MMR because then the local Landau wavelengths λ_i would overlap substantially. Nonetheless, Saturn (presently at 5:2) seems to violate marginally the no-overlap condition (2): $\lambda_S + \lambda_J = 4.98$ au, whereas $a_S - a_J = 4.38$ au, an overlap width of 0.6 au (13.7% of the separation $a_S - a_J$).
- Saturn’s orbital period ($P_S = 29.46$ yr) is close to the critical orbital period ($\bar{P}_{\text{crit}} = 29.36$ yr) of the subsystem (P_S is actually longer by 34 days) [16].

3. *Solar-system: Terrestrial planets.*—Figure 7 shows the arrangements of orbits and orbital periods for the terrestrial planets of our solar system:

- The MMR chain is local with the Earth taken at the 1:1 MMR.
- It is obvious that Mars did not settle anywhere near the 2:1 local MMR of the subsystem.
- The empirical tidal wavelength is $\lambda = 125$ mau, but the local Landau wavelength set by the Earth is only $\lambda_L = 62.9$ mau. For consistency, the empirical value has to be halved, so that the actual wavelength will be set to 62.5 mau in close agreement with λ_L . This subdivision of λ -values has to be implemented in a number of other systems as well (see below).
- The planets fit within a single potential trough of the global mean tidal field ($\lambda_L = 2.25$ au), yet pairs of adjacent orbits do not violate the no-overlap condition (2) since the largest λ_i -sum, viz. $\lambda_E + \lambda_{\text{Ma}} \simeq 0.11$ au, does not exceed the smallest (V-E) separation of 0.27 au.

- (e) Asteroid Toro [43] fits well in both layouts shown in Figure 7 (the local MMR chain and the arrangement of semimajor axes), although it was not part of the fit.

Table 1. Six systems with global MMR chains exhibiting classical LRs.

System	Global MMR chains with LRs					
Radial position in LR:	$n = 1$	$n = 2$	$n = 3$			
Galilean Moons	1:4	1:2	1:1	7:3		
HIP 41378	1:4	1:2	1:1	9:2	6:1	9:1
Radial position in LR:		$n = 1$	$n = 2$	$n = 3$		
GJ 876	1:32	1:2	1:1	2:1		
HR 8799		1:2	1:1	2:1	9:2	
K-176		2:9	1:2	1:1	2:1	
HD 219134*	1:15	1:7	1:2	1:1	2:1	48:1

*Unconfirmed.

4. Solar-system: Satellite systems.—Figures 8-10 show the configurations of the major satellites of Saturn, Uranus, and Pluto:

- (a) The disturbed inner satellite system of Neptune [36] is also included in the library (section Solar_8/Neptune_moons_9s).
- (b) The surprising proximity of pumice-moon Hyperion to Saturn’s giant moon Titan has been discussed in detail in Refs. [24,44].
- (c) In Uranus, the adjacent small moons Ariel and Umbriel are presumed to be in a 5:3 local MMR [69], which produces a reduced integer MMR chain of 3:5:10 with Titania (Figure 9). The same layout occurs in TOI-270 (i.e., $\frac{3}{5}$:1:2), where the occupied 2:1 MMR proved to be a major concern in a recent study [23].
- (d) However, a more accurate solution for the MMR of Ariel is 2:7 leading to the unusual reduced chain of 6:10:21:33 (or the global MMR $\frac{2}{7}:\frac{10}{21}:1:\frac{11}{7}$) with Titania. This model makes it clear that Umbriel is displaced off of the 1:2 MMR by about -5% and Oberon lies off of the 3:2 MMR by $+3\%$ (library file Uranus_alt.m in folder Solar_8/Uranus_moons_5s).
- (e) The group of the five Plutonian satellites is the prototypical example of a regular multibody system with a obviously vacant 2:1 MMR (Figure 10).
- (f) The satellites are organized in three subsets by surface gravity g [35]:
- (i) The largest of the large satellites with $g \geq 1 \text{ m s}^{-2}$: Earth’s moon, Jupiter’s Galilean moons, and Saturn’s Titan.
 - (ii) The 10 large satellites with $g \in (0.13, 1) \text{ m s}^{-2}$: Tethys, Dione, Rhea, Iapetus (Saturn); Ariel, Umbriel, Titania, Oberon (Uranus); Neptune’s Triton; and Pluto’s Charon.
 - (iii) The small satellites with $g \leq 0.13 \text{ m s}^{-2}$.

The thresholds are effectively mean values delimited by the Callisto ($g = 1.24 \text{ m s}^{-2}$)–Triton ($g = 0.78 \text{ m s}^{-2}$) gap and by the Tethys ($g = 0.146 \text{ m s}^{-2}$)–Enceladus ($g = 0.113 \text{ m s}^{-2}$) gap, respectively.

5. Exosystems with 2-9 planets and no classical LRs.—Figures 11-18 show some representative examples of multibody extrasolar systems. Furthermore:

- (a) TOI-270 [70–73] has been investigated in Ref. [23] and the key systems HD 110067 [14], K-176 [42,74], and K-223 [4,75] have been discussed in depth in Ref. [24].
- (b) Ref. [24] also contains a detailed study of three-body and four-body MMRs occurring in many exosystems.
- (c) Few body systems are usually not compact (or ‘closely-packed’), and the empirically determined wavelength λ is too long to satisfy the Landau condition (1), in which case λ has to be subdivided to match λ_L (see below). But, as far as we can tell, these systems appear to satisfy the no-overlap condition (2) quite comfortably.

- (d) The commonly-occurring triple MMRs are summarized in Tables 2–5 and some unusual scarce MMRs are listed in Table 6.
- (e) The distributions of the fundamental wavelengths λ and λ_L are summarized in Figures 19–21 for systems at mau-, au-, and Mm-scales, respectively.
- (f) Some of the 63 exoplanetary systems show peculiarities and/or unique properties that are noted in the Output .txt files of the library (see also items 9, 10 at the top of Section 3).

6. *Commonly-occurring triple MMR chains.*—Tables 2–5 summarize the triple MMR chains that are commonly found in the library’s resonant systems. In each group of triples, at least two of the period ratios are the same. Table 6 lists some uncommon and unusual three-body and four-body chains. Furthermore:

- (a) The two types of LRs appear in Tables 3 and 4, respectively.
- (b) Geometric sequences [24] are denoted by the acronym GS.
- (c) Square brackets around system names indicate that the three MMRs are not adjacent, so the highlighted sequences in these systems are effectively four-body MMRs.

Table 2. Commonly-occurring triple chains: Interior MMRs not including 1:1.

	1/6	1/3	K-20
1/9	1/5	1/3	HD 10180
		2/3	HD 34445
	1/4	2/3	K-55
1/8	1/5	1/3	TR-1
		3/7	TOI-178
1/6	1/3	5/9	K-20
		1/2	K2-384
	1/4	1/2	TOI-1136
1/4	1/2	2/3	K2-268
		3/4	TOI-1136
1/3	1/2	3/4	TR-1, K2-384 (GSs)
2/7	3/7	2/3	K2-138, HD 158259

Table 3. Commonly-occurring triple chains: Interior MMRs up to 1:1.

1/2	3/4	1	TR-1, K-90, K2-384, TOI-1136
	2/3		K-223, K2-268 [K-1542]
1/3	2/3	1	K-51, K-62, K-82 [K-11]
	5/9		K-20
	3/5		K-33
1/4	1/2	1	HIP 41378 (LR)
	2/3		K-55
	1/3		HD 10180
1/5	1/2	1	HD 40307, K-154
	2/3		HD 34445
2/5	2/3	1	K-11
	2/5		HD 191939
2/7	4/7	1	K-238
	5/9		K-186, K-296
3/7			K2-138, HD 158259, TOI-178
4/9	2/3	1	HD 110067, HD 23472, K-102 (GSs)

Table 4. Commonly-occurring triple chains: MMRs centered around 1:1.

1/2	1	3/2	K-32 , K-84 [TR-1 , TOI-1136]
		5/3	HD 40307, TOI-2076, K-150 [K-90]
		2	GJ 876 , HR 8799 , K-176 , HD 219134 (LRs)
		7/3	K-30 , K2-32
		8/5	K-154
1/3	1	4/3	HD 10180
		3/2	K-80 [K-11]
		7	HD 20781
2/3	1	5/3	HD 23472 , K-102
		4/3	TOI-178 , K-223
		3/2	K-11 , K2-138 , HD 158259, HD 110067 (GSs)
		14/5	K2-268
		5	HD 34445
2/5	1	3/2	B1257+12
		14/5	HD 191939
3/5	1	3/2	K-33 , K-305
		7/4	K-292
		2	TOI-270
		9/4	HD 108236
		6	K-169
3/4	1	3/2	TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-226
		5/3	K-90

Table 5. Commonly-occurring triple chains: Exterior MMRs starting from 1:1.

1	3/2	2	HD 110067
		7/3	K-80
		5	K2-138
		3	K-84 , K-305
		8/5	3 K-154
1	5/3	8/3	K-90
		5/2	HD 40307
		4/3	5/2 HD 10180

Table 6. Notable unusual MMR chains.

16/25	4/5	1	K-444 (GS)	
	4/5	1	4/3	K-60
1	7/4	7/3	TOI-700	
1		7/3	7/2	K2-32
1/5	3/7	2/3	TOI-178	
	1/3	1/2	TR-1	
	3/10	3/5	K-292	
Unique principal MMR chains:				
	1/6	1/3	1	HD 20781
	1/8	1/2	1	K-32
Obviously empty 2:1 MMRs:				
3/2		3	5	K-84
3/2	7/3	3		K-80
1	8/5	3		K-154
A detached 2:9 MMR and a unique 5:6 MMR:				
2/9	4/9	2/3	1	HD 23472 (GS)
1/2	2/3	5/6	1	K-1542

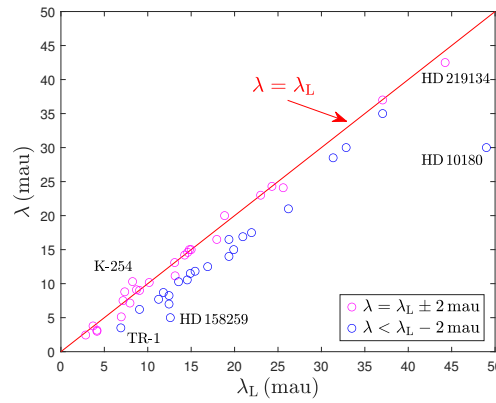


Figure 19. Empirically determined tidal-field wavelengths λ versus the corresponding Landau wavelengths λ_L of exosystems with more than 2 planets (Table 7). We use 47 points with $\lambda, \lambda_L < 50$ mau in this plot. More systems listed in Table 8 generally show $\lambda \ll \lambda_L$ (like HD 10180 and HD 158259 depicted here). Magenta points are clustered around the $\lambda = \lambda_L$ red line (to within ± 2 mau). Blue points lie at $\lambda < \lambda_L - 2$ mau. Systems for which λ_L could not be determined (Table 7, bottom) are assumed to lie on the red line.

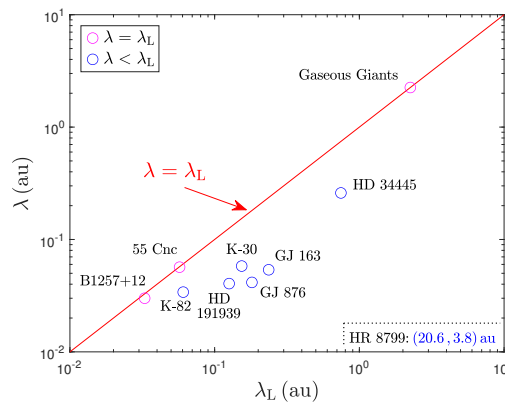


Figure 20. As in Figure 19, but for planetary systems of au-scales. The gaseous giants of our solar system and the exoplanets of 55 Cnc and the pulsar B1257+12 effectively have $\lambda = \lambda_L$ (magenta points), whereas the remaining exosystems have $\lambda < \lambda_L - 0.085$ au (blue points).

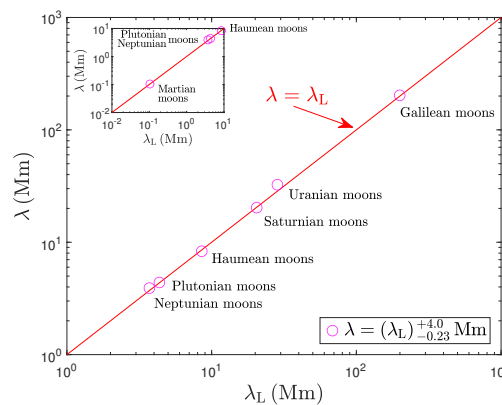


Figure 21. As in Figure 19, but for the inner moons of the solar satellite systems. The data are listed in Table 9. All points are effectively lying on the $\lambda = \lambda_L$ line to within $< 5\%$ (except for the Uranian satellite system that deviates by 14%).

7. Tidal-field wavelengths.—For scaling reasons, we have to analyze solar satellite subsystems and multiplanetary systems separately:

- Tables 7 and 8 and Figure 19 summarize exosystems at mau-scales. The top group in Table 7 shows sparse systems in which the empirically determined λ had to be scaled down (mostly by a factor of 2) to satisfy the Landau condition (1).

- (b) Planetary systems at au-scales are shown separately and named individually in Figure 20. The gaseous giants of our solar system appear in this plot on the $\lambda = \lambda_L$ line. HR 8799 is off-scale ($\lambda \ll \lambda_L$), as noted at the bottom right of the figure.
- (c) Table 9 and Figure 21 summarize the solar satellite systems. The λ_L values of the inner moons of Saturn and Neptune had to be scaled down to satisfy the Landau condition (1). This is shown in rows 3 and 6 of Table 9, where the empirical 2λ -values were trisected.
- (d) The Martian satellite system is shown in the inset of Figure 21, and it also fits the condition $\lambda = \lambda_L$ well. With only two moons present in the system, the empirical 2λ -value had to be divided by 45 (row 7 of Table 9) to match the Landau wavelength of $\lambda_L = 104.2$ km derived theoretically for the inner and more massive moon Phobos.

Table 7. Exosystems with more than 2 planets: Empirically determined tidal-field wavelengths λ compared to the corresponding Landau wavelengths λ_L .

Exosystem Name	2λ (mau)	$2\lambda_L$ (mau)
Exosystems with adjusted values of $\lambda \leq \lambda_L$		
HD 40307	$56.0/2 = 28.0$	38.7
K-48	$33.0/2 = 16.5$	24.9
K-51	$125.0/2 = 62.5$	112.9
K-62	$60.0/2 = 30.0$	39.8
K-80	$12.0/2 = 06.0$	08.3
K-176	$28.6/2 = 14.3$	15.9
K-186	$36.0/2 = 18.0$	18.1
K-332	$47.3/2 = 23.7$	30.9
K-363	$30.8/2 = 15.4$	22.5
K-444	$09.8/2 = 04.9$	05.7
B1257+12	$120.0/2 = 60.0$	65.7
TS*	$22.7/3 = 07.6$	07.4
*Teegarden's Star [76–78]		
Exosystems with $\lambda \in (\lambda_L, \lambda_L + 2 \text{ mau})$		
HD 110067	40.0	37.7
K-223	30.0	29.6
K-254	20.6	16.5
K-292	17.6	14.7
K-305	18.2	17.4
TOI-270	15.0	14.3
Exosystems with $\lambda \in (\lambda_L - 2 \text{ mau}, \lambda_L)$		
HD 20781	48.2	51.2
HD 108236	28.4	28.5
HD 219134	85.0	88.5
K-20	70.0	74.1
K-84	33.0	35.9
K-102	22.3	26.3
K-226	10.2	13.9
K-1542	6.3	8.3
HIP 41378	74.0	74.1
55 Cnc	113.4	114.5
Exosystems with unknown λ_L (set to λ)		
K-150	29.2	(29.2)
K-154	48.6	(48.6)
K-169	30.0	(30.0)
K-296	26.2	(26.2)
K2-268	20.3	(20.3)
TOI-700	46.0	(46.0)

Table 8. Exosystems with more than 2 planets: Empirically determined tidal-field wavelengths $\lambda < \lambda_L - 2 \text{ mau}$.

Exosystem Name	2λ (mau)	$2\lambda_L$ (mau)	$2\Delta\lambda^{(a)}$ (mau)	λ_L/λ Scale
K-9	57.0	62.7	5.7	1.10
K-33	33.0	38.7	5.7	1.17
K2-233	33.8	41.9	8.1	1.24
TOI-1136	35.0	43.9	8.9	1.25
K-11	42.0	52.4	10.4	1.25
TOI-178	23.0	29.8	6.8	1.30
K2-32	20.6	27.1	6.5	1.32
HD 23472	25.0	33.8	8.8	1.35
K2-138	17.4	23.6	6.2	1.36
GJ 806	21.1	29.1	8.0	1.38
K-60	12.4	18.1	5.7	1.46
HD 10180 ^(b)	60.0	98.0	38.0	1.63
HD 134606	50.0	83.6	33.6	1.67
K-82	68.0	121.3	53.3	1.78
K2-384	14.0	24.9	10.9	1.78
GJ 357	37.1	67.0	29.9	1.81
K-90	60.0	116.6	56.6	1.94
TR-1	7.0	13.8	6.8	1.97
HD 158259 ^(c)	10.0	25.2	15.2	2.52
K-238	33.0	112.3	79.3	3.40
K-55	32.4	122.7	90.3	3.79
K-32	20.0	82.3	62.3	4.12

^(a) $\Delta\lambda \equiv \lambda_L - \lambda$. ^(b) Systems with $\lambda_L/\lambda \in (1.5, 2.0)$. ^(c) The four systems with $\lambda_L/\lambda > 2.5$ at the bottom of the table will have to be revisited in future studies.⁴

Table 9. Solar satellite systems: Empirically determined tidal-field wavelengths λ and the corresponding Landau wavelengths λ_L of the inner moons. The inner moon that provides the value of λ_L for each subsystem is shown in the third column.

Row No.	Satellite System	Inner Moon	2λ (Mm)	$2\lambda_L$ (Mm)
1	Galilean	Ganymede	406.0	398.6
2	Uranian	Umbriel	65.0	57.0
3	Saturnian	Dione	122/3 = 40.7	41.0
4	Haumean	Namaka	16.6	17.1
5	Plutonian	Hydra	8.8	8.7
6	Neptunian	Proteus	23.45/3 = 7.8	7.4
7	Martian	Phobos	9.376/45 = 0.2	0.2

8. *Extrasolar dwarf planets by their surface gravities.*—Table 10 and Figures 22 and 23 show the exosystems for which we could determine the surface gravities g of the orbiting bodies with $g < 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$. We use the threshold value of $g_{\text{crit}} = 2.7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ from Ref. [35] to determine whether the bodies are likely to be planets (P) or dwarf planets (DP). The lowest-occurring g -value (if any) that is larger than g_{crit} is listed for each system along with all values that are smaller than g_{crit} . We determine that:

- (a) Dwarf planets appear in 7 of 27 exosystems (i.e., 26% of the tabulated systems).
- (b) All 3 planets of K-51 with $g < 0.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ are certainly dwarfs.
- (c) Two of 5 planets of K-444 (d and e) are likely dwarfs.
- (d) K-444 d ($g = 2.31 \text{ m s}^{-2}$) and K-223 e, K-90 g ($g = 2.22 \text{ m s}^{-2}$) are marginally identified as dwarfs (Figure 23).
- (e) The three bodies named d in HD 191939, K-30, and K-223, all with $g \approx 3 \text{ m s}^{-2}$, are marginally identified as planets.

Table 10. Lowest-occurring surface gravities $g < 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ of exoplanets (P) and identification of likely dwarf planets (DP) with $g < 2.7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ [35].

Exoplanet Name(s)	$g \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{)}$	Identification
K-51 b , d , c	0.762 , 0.624 , 0.538	DP , DP , DP
K-90 g	2.22	DP
K-444 f , d , e	4.53 , 2.31 , 1.94	P , DP , DP
K-176 d , e	7.68 , 1.08	P , DP
K-223 d , e	2.85 , 2.22	P , DP
K2-138 g , f	4.66 , 1.89	P , DP
HIP 41378 d , f	3.60 , 1.39	P , DP
TR-1 d	4.71	P
HIP 9618 b	6.44	P
TOI-178 d	4.46	P
TOI-270 b	8.85	P
TOI-1136 d	3.66	P
HD 23472 f	5.84	P
HD 108236 e	8.76	P
HD 110067 f	7.30	P
HD 191939 d	3.06	P
K-9 c	4.49	P
K-11 f	3.64	P
K-20 e	9.02	P
K-30 d	3.01	P
K-32 f	7.12	P
K-33 d	3.68	P
K-36 c	5.16	P
K-80 b	4.20	P
K-82 c	4.78	P
K-102 e	9.78	P
K2-32 b	6.57	P

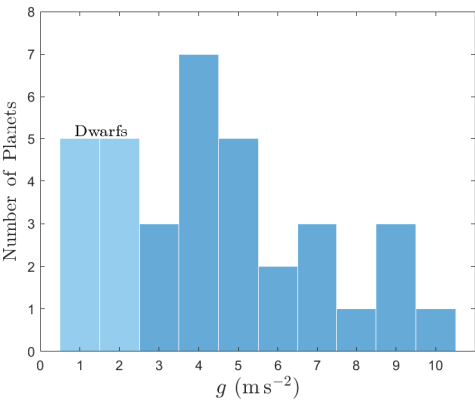


Figure 22. The distribution of surface gravities of the 35 exoplanets listed in Table 10. The ten planets falling in the left two bars with $g \in (0.5, 2.5) \text{ m s}^{-2}$ are presently classified as dwarfs (denoted by DP in Table 10).

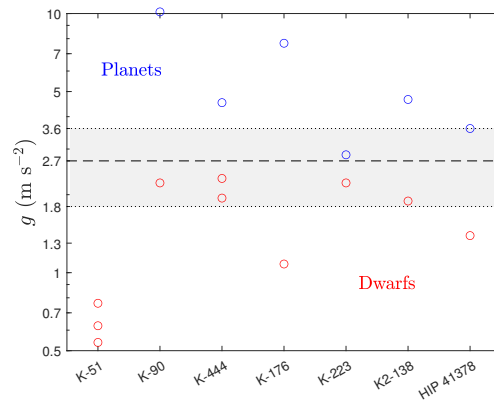


Figure 23. From the top section of Table 10: Ten planets with $g < g_{\text{crit}} = 2.7 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ (red circles) are classified as dwarfs. Two of the planets (blue circles) fall within the gray strip of width $\Delta g = \pm 0.9 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ centered about g_{crit} [35]. All three planets of K-51 [64–66] are classified as dwarfs, which makes the K-51 system unique.

9. *Bodies on or near the critical orbital period of each system.*—Table 11 lists orbiting bodies occupying the critical orbit \bar{P}_{crit} [16] (top group) and pairs of adjacent bodies orbiting on either side of \bar{P}_{crit} in a symmetric configuration (bottom group). Multibody model simulations of angular momentum transfer (Appendix A in Ref. [16]) have indicated that such configurations could be commonly-occurring in real systems. The relative deviations from precise symmetry of the identified library systems are all smaller than 7.5% (last column in the table):

- The top group of 15 bodies includes the satellites of the 3 gaseous giants except Uranus. All other entries represent well-known exoplanets.
- Neptune’s satellite system was severely disturbed by the capture of Triton, so it is remarkable that Larissa (L) managed to settle so close to the critical orbit; its period ($P_L = 800 \text{ min}$) is shorter by only 18 min, whereas it is longer than the nearest assigned 1:11 MMR by 30.5 min. The critical orbit of the system and the moons of Neptune interior to the orbit of Triton are shown in Figure 24.
- The bottom group of 11 pairs includes Ariel–Umbriel whose orbital periods nearly form an arithmetic progression with \bar{P}_{crit} as well. All other entries represent well-known exoplanet pairs with periods symmetrically located about the \bar{P}_{crit} values of their systems.
- Planets b and c of pulsar B1257+12 are also included in the bottom group. This is also a remarkable symmetry because the innermost planet b is $200\times$ less massive than its $4M_{\oplus}$ neighbors ($M_b = 0.02M_{\oplus}$), and it appears to be unimportant for the overall layout of this unique pulsar planetary system. Of course, this particular orbital symmetry indicates the opposite (see also Ref. [16], Appendix A).

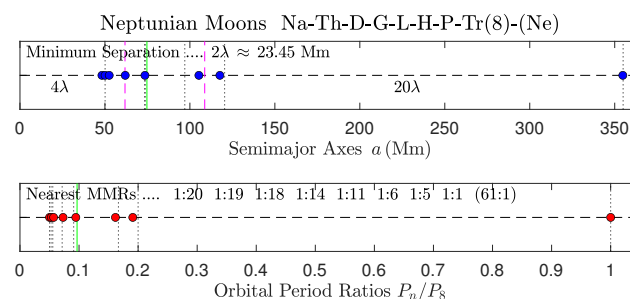


Figure 24. The Neptunian moons [36]. Nereid (Ne) is not shown in this plot. The small innermost moons Naiad (Na), Thalassa (Th), and Despina (D) are orbiting inside the same tidal potential well without violating the no-overlap condition (2). The fifth moon Larissa (L) has settled closer to the critical orbit of the system ($\bar{P}_{\text{crit}}/P_8 = 0.0966$, $a_{\text{crit}} = 74.7 \text{ Mm}$; vertical green lines) than the nearest assigned 1:11 MMR.

Table 11. Bodies on or on either side of the critical orbital period $\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ of their systems (top and bottom group, respectively). For the bottom group of 2 adjacent bodies (i and $i + 1$) in each system, $P_{\text{ave}} \equiv (P_i + P_{i+1})/2$.

Body Name	P (d)	$\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ (d)	$ \Delta P /\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ (%)
TR-1 d	4.050	4.050	0.01
K-60 c	8.918	8.919	0.01
K2-138 d	5.405	5.385	0.37
K-226 c	5.350	5.319	0.58
Larissa ^a	0.556	0.568	2.11
K-176 c	12.759	12.469	2.33
Dione ^b	2.737	2.641	3.64
K-238 c	6.156	6.424	4.17
K-80 d	3.072	3.210	4.30
HD 158259 d	5.198	4.962	4.76
HD 110067 d	20.520	19.564	4.89
K-1542 b	3.951	4.159	5.00
K2-32 b	8.992	9.499	5.34
Europa ^c	3.551	3.822	7.09
K-305 b	5.487	5.930	7.47

Body Names	P_{ave} (d)	$\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ (d)	$ \Delta P /\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ (%)
HD 34445 d, c	166.270	166.311	0.02
K-292 c, d	5.386	5.377	0.17
B1257+12 b, c	45.902	46.300	0.86
K-62 c, d	15.303	15.512	1.35
K-169 c, d	7.272	7.430	2.13
TOI-178 c, d	4.898	5.009	2.22
Ariel, ^d Umbriel ^d	3.333	3.259	2.27
K-444 c, d	5.368	5.611	4.33
K-84 b, c	10.804	10.249	5.41
HD 10180 c, i	7.707	7.302	5.55
K2-268 d, e	5.330	5.030	5.96

^aNeptune moon. ^bSaturn moon. ^cJupiter moon. ^dUranus moon.

Table 12 lists two additional bodies orbiting very near the critical orbit $\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ of their systems, with the relevant periods being of order of 30 years or longer. The relative deviations from precise symmetry are smaller than 4%:

- (1) Saturn is orbiting very close to the critical orbit determined for the four gaseous giants in our solar system. Only TR-1 d and K-60 c are closer to their respective critical orbits (Table 11, top two rows). The Saturnian system of satellites is depicted in Figure 8 above.
- (2) HR 8799 d is also notable. It is orbiting close to the critical orbit of the system of 4 exoplanets, and its long orbital period ($P_d \simeq 111$ yr) is shorter by only 4.5 yr (−3.88%). The planetary system of HR 8799 is depicted in Figure 4 above.

Table 12. Bodies nearly on the critical orbital period $\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ of order of 30 years or longer.

Body Name	P (yr)	$\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ (yr)	$ \Delta P /\overline{P}_{\text{crit}}$ (%)
Saturn ^a	29.457	29.364	0.32
HR 8799 d	111.092	115.580	3.88

^aIn the system of the 4 gaseous giant planets of our solar system.

10. Summary of the longest global MMR chains and the geometric sequences.—Table 13 summarizes the longest global MMR chains derived from combinations of triple chains listed in Tables 2–5 above:

- (a) Triple geometric sequences are denoted by the acronym GS and their common ratio $r = 3/2$. All triple GSs found in exosystems have been summarized in Ref. [24].
- (b) There exist three types of triple GSs with $r = 3/2$, viz. $\frac{1}{3}:\frac{1}{2}:\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{2}{3}:1:\frac{3}{2}$, and $\frac{4}{9}:\frac{2}{3}:1$.

- (c) The most common and striking (approximately geometric) quadruple sequence is $\frac{1}{2}:\frac{3}{4}:1:\frac{3}{2}$, and it occurs in the prototypical systems TR-1 (Figure 13) and TOI-1136 (Figure 14). On the other hand, the quadruple sequence $\frac{4}{9}:\frac{2}{3}:1:\frac{3}{2}$ in HD 110067 is an exact GS with $r = 3/2$ involving 4 adjacent planets.
- (d) The only quintuple MMR chain is listed at the top of Table 13, and it can be viewed in Figure 25 as it appears in the pristine (very well ordered) planetary systems of K2-138 and HD 158259.
- (e) The entire quintuple MMR chain in K2-138 and HD 158259 is approximately geometric with a common ratio of $r \approx 3/2$. This raises the issue of whether this chain could actually be precisely geometric:
- (i) The unusual resonances 2/7 and 3/7 were chosen for the inner planets because these values are very close (to within $< 1\%$) to the measured orbital period ratios of 0.285 and 0.430, respectively; but the corresponding geometric resonances $(2/3)^N$ ($N = 3, 2$) are also nearby (to within $< 4\%$).
 - (ii) If we assume that the MMR chains of K2-138 and HD 158259 (including the additional planets not listed in Table 13) may be precise GSs, then their MMRs are all powers of the ratio 2/3 as follows:
 - ☆ K2-138 MMR sequence (6 confirmed planets): $(2/3)^N$, where $N = 3, 2, 1, 0, -1, -4$ for planets b-c-d-e(4)-f-g, respectively.
 - ☆ HD 158259 MMR sequence (5 confirmed planets plus a strong candidate, planet g): $(2/3)^N$, where $N = 4, 3, 2, 1, 0, -1$ for planets b-c-d-e-f(5)-g, respectively.
 - (iii) Similar issues of difficult choices between nearby MMRs are raised in another two cases listed in Table 13:
 - ① Instead of the best-fitting 5:9 MMR, K-186 and K-296 may have a 4:7 MMR.
 - ② Instead of the adopted 3:4 MMR, TOI-1136 and K2-384 may have a 5:7 MMR. However, no such issue exists in the case of the 3:4 MMRs identified in K-90, K-226, and TR-1 (relative deviations of $< 2\%$ from 3/4).
 - (iv) A summary of 4 markedly similar global MMR chains is listed at the bottom of Table 13. The prototypical sequence occurs in TR-1 and in TOI-1136:
 - The 1:5 and 1:4 inner MMRs (blue color) occur sufficiently far away from the 1:1 MMR (where the density of consecutive principal MMRs is too high), so failure to match the nearby 1:6 and 1:3 MMRs, respectively, is not a cause for concern.
 - The unusual 4:9 and 2:3 MMRs in HD 110067 cannot be overlooked in the same way because these resonances are not far away from 1:1; but their appearance is understood: these MMRs are exact elements of the GS $(2/3)^N$ with $N = 2, 1, 0, -1$.
 - It is interesting that the 3:2 MMR in K2-384 is the only 3:2 MMR which is vacant in the markedly similar systems listed at the bottom of Table 13. We searched for another planet at $P \approx 20.4$ d, but we did not find a signal in the archival Kepler data.
 - On the other hand, the 2:1 MMR in HD 110067 is not vacant. This resonance has drawn much attention recently [14–16,23,24]. It turns out that the pristine⁵ triple MMR $1:\frac{3}{2}:2$ observed in HD 110067 [14] represents a stable ‘Laplace-like resonance’ [23] whose double Laplace phase angle ($2\phi_L$) most likely librates near 180° (based on the results of Ref. [13]).⁶
 - This leaves only one surprising 2:1 MMR, that occupied by planet TOI-270 d [70–73] (see Figure 1 in Ref. [23] that shows the entire $\frac{3}{5}:1:2$ MMR chain). The MMR chain of TOI-270 may be a Laplace-like resonance as well, although its apparent stability is presently unexplained.
 - (v) The issues highlighted in items (i)-(iv) above will have to be addressed by future studies.
 - (f) Summary of recently studied global MMRs and the librations of their phase angles:

- (i) The global MMR chains of TR-1 and TOI-1136 at the bottom of Table 13 are nearly identical. In TR-1, all planet pairs and all triple MMRs appear to be locked in librations [6,79,80,98–101].
- (ii) Three-body and four-body resonances of the 6 planets in HD 110067 have been extensively studied in Ref. [24].
- (iii) The geometric sequences, the four-body MMRs of K-223 and HD 110067, and the unusual LR encountered in K-176 (that does not include the most massive planet) have been extensively studied in Ref. [24].
- (iv) The 6 known LRs (folder LRs_6 in the library) and the Laplace-like MMR of HD 110067 (folder 6p_10/HD_110067 in the library) have been studied in Refs. [15,23].
- (v) The surprising triple MMR chain of TOI-270 listed in Table 4 (viz. $\frac{3}{5}:1:2$, probably a new type of Laplace-like resonance, though unproven) was the main subject of the study in Ref. [23].

Table 13. The longest global MMR chains and 5 commonly-occurring triple chains.*

A Chain of 5 MMRs									
	2/7	3/7	2/3	1	3/2				HD 158259 , K2-138 (GS: 2/3:1:3/2, $r = 3/2$)
Chains of 4 MMRs									
	1/3	1/2	3/4	1					TR-1 , K2-384 (GS: 1/3:1/2:3/4, $r = 3/2$)
	1/2	3/4	1	3/2					TR-1 , TOI-1136
	4/9	2/3	1	3/2					HD 110067 (Quadruple GS: $r = 3/2$)
	2/7	5/9	1	5/3					K-186 , K-296
Commonly-Occurring Chains of 3 MMRs									
	3/4	1	3/2						TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-226
	2/3	1	3/2						HD 110067 , HD 158259 , K-11 , K2-138 (GS: $r = 3/2$)
	4/9	2/3	1						HD 110067 , HD 23472 (GS: $r = 3/2$)
	1/2	3/4	1						TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-90 , K2-384
	1/3	1/2	3/4						TR-1 , K2-384 (GS: $r = 3/2$)
Summary: Markedly Similar Long MMR Chains									
1/8	1/6	1/3	1/2	3/4	1				K2-384
	1/5	1/3	1/2	3/4	1	3/2			TR-1
	1/6	1/4	1/2	3/4	1	3/2			TOI-1136
	4/9	2/3	1	3/2	2	8/3			HD 110067

*K-90 ([37–39], Figure 12); TR-1 ([6,79,80], Figure 13); TOI-1136 ([81–83], Figure 14); K2-138 ([8,11,84,85], Figure 25); HD 110067 ([14,24], Figure 1 in Ref. [15]); HD 158259 [86,87]; HD 23472 [88]; K2-384 [89]; K-11 [2,53,90,91]; K-186 [92]; K-226 [93–95]; K-296 [96,97].

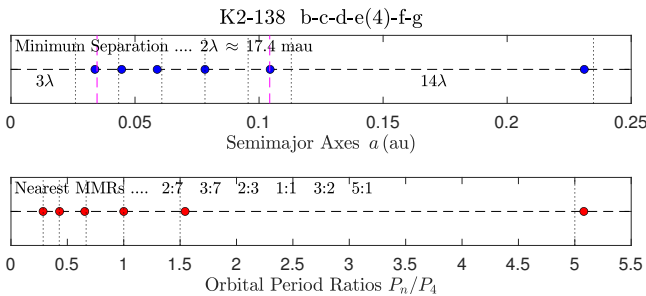


Figure 25. K2-138 [8,11,84,85].

11. Beyond the classical LRs: Summary of important groups of triple MMR chains.—Tables 14 and 15 summarize triple MMR chains reduced to integer ratios ≤ 9 . With the exception of the famous Plutonian satellite sequence (1:3:4:5:6), these integer MMR sequences do not occur in real exosystems; but they are naturally classified in groups of which the top 6 groups in Tables 14 and 15 are quite common in rational forms. In contrast, the bottom groups (7)-(10) in Table 14 are not common at all; they are highlighted here for the benefit of future investigations.

For the 6 main groups listed at the top of Table 14 and in Table 15, we summarize the following general characteristics:

- (a) All triple MMRs are combinations of local pairs chosen from the set $\mathcal{R}_{(k:\ell)} := \{2:1, 3:2, 4:3\}$. Of the 9 possible combinations, three pairs do not appear in the tables:
 - (i) The pair (4:3 & 4:3).—This $r = 4/3$ GS occurs in HD 110067 ($\frac{3}{2}:2:\frac{8}{3}$ [14]), but it is not otherwise common (which may be surprising).
 - (ii) The pair (2:1 & 4:3).—This $\frac{1}{2}:1:\frac{4}{3}$ MMR does not occur in real systems, probably because it is too close to the dominant Laplace-like resonance $\frac{2}{3}:1:\frac{4}{3}$ (the MMRs mostly overlap).
 - (iii) The pair (4:3 & 2:1).—This MMR of type $\frac{3}{4}:1:2$ does not occur in real systems either, although it is not close to the dominant LR $\frac{1}{2}:1:2$. If it can be formed in exosystems, it is expected to not show librations because of the unique composition of its phase $\phi = 3\lambda_1 - 5\lambda_2 + 2\lambda_3$ ($A = 3, B = 2$; where λ_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$) are the mean longitudes of the orbits [24]), the only one among the 9 combinations from set $\mathcal{R}_{(k:\ell)}$ in which $A > B$. More details are given in part 12 below.
 - (iv) We note that the pair (3:2 & 2:1), which is closer to the LR than the (4:3 & 2:1) pair, does occur in real systems, but its phase angle $\phi = 2\alpha_0$ (α_0 is defined in the notes to Table 15) does not librate either (see also group (6) in item (3) below).
- (b) Group (1): These are the 2 types of classical LRs with phase angle ϕ_L . The third type (the integer MMR chain 1:2:4) does not occur in any real system [23]; the reason is unknown. The libration center of the GJ 876 LR and the Galilean LR is 0° and 180° , respectively [17,25].
- (c) Group (2): These are the most common GSs, and they have a common ratio of $r = 3/2$ [24].
- (d) Group (3): These are the 3 types of Laplace-like resonances ($\frac{1}{2}:\frac{3}{4}:1$, $\frac{2}{3}:1:\frac{4}{3}$, and $1:\frac{3}{2}:2$) with phase angle $\phi = 2\phi_L$ and libration centers in the vicinity of 180° (see Table 15).

For the local MMR layouts of the triple resonances and the phase angles and LCs of the 10 groups listed in Table 14, we also summarize the following specific properties:

- (1) Groups (1)-(3): These triple MMRs are expected to show librations irrespective of whether the individual local MMRs librate or not [17–21].
- (2) Groups (4) and (5): The trailing local MMR is 3:2, the same in both groups. Other than that, these groups are very different, although the global MMRs may both show LCs located at $\sim 180^\circ$. These MMRs have not been explored in the past. They are also listed in Table 2 of Ref. [24].
- (3) Group (6): These MMRs are not locked in librations. The reason appears to be the trailing 2:1 local MMR which is not viable outside of the classical LR and the Laplace-like resonances (see endnote 7). As mentioned above, a single puzzling exception occurs in TOI-270 that shows a trailing 2:1 MMR and an unusual phase angle [23]:
 - In TOI-270, the MMR chain $\frac{3}{5}:1:2$ has the same phase ($\phi = \phi_L + 2\alpha_0$) as the uncommon first-order MMR pair (4:3 & 4:3), the $r = 4/3$ GS described in item (a)-(i) above. In this case, $A < B$ ($A = 3, B = 4$); therefore, phase librations are feasible in principle.
 - This phase is expected to librate about a center in the vicinity of 180° , but N-body simulations have not been carried out for long enough to check the results [72].
 - The MMR chain $\frac{3}{5}:1:2$ is closer to the dominant LR $\frac{1}{2}:1:2$ than the MMR pairs listed in items (a)-(iii, iv) above. The two chains mostly overlap. Yet, the TOI-270 MMR survives intact, unlike the (2:1 & 4:3) pair of MMRs discussed in item (a)-(ii) above.
 - Thus, the pair (2:1 & 4:3) is suppressed by the Laplace-like pair (3:2 & 4:3), whereas (5:3 & 2:1) is unaffected by the LR (2:1 & 2:1). This disparity could characterize a fundamental difference between LRs and Laplace-like MMRs, with the latter being dominant over the range of their resonances and the former being incapable of suppressing nearly overlapping MMRs.
 - For the above reasons, the stability of the $\frac{3}{5}:1:2$ MMR of TOI-270 remains a mystery, and the problem needs to be studied in more detail in the future.^{7,8}
- (4) Groups (7)-(10): These are 14 global MMRs that appear rarely in individual exosystems:

- (i) They are unusual (they show large “integer gaps” between their MMRs), and it remains to be seen whether the same types of reduced MMR chains will be discovered in exosystems in the future.
- (ii) The set is dominated by the pristine principal MMR chain of Plutonian moons (1:3:4:5:6) whose triple MMRs appear in the list in all possible consecutive combinations (despite the striking vacancy of the 2:1 global MMR).
- (iii) The unusual chain $\frac{1}{2}:1:\frac{9}{2}$ (huge gap beyond 1:1) appears in both K-48 and HIP 41378.
- (iv) The unusual chain $\frac{2}{3}:1:\frac{5}{3}$ (gap at 4:3 – 3:2) appears in both HD 23472 and K-102.
- (v) Two very different MMRs of the 2:4:9 form appear in two very different exosystems (K-332 and HR 8799).
- (vi) Notable MMRs of future interest are $\frac{1}{6}:\frac{1}{3}:1$ (HD 20781), $\frac{1}{3}:1:\frac{4}{3}$ (HD 10180, gap at 2:3), $\frac{1}{3}:1:\frac{3}{2}$ (K-80, gaps at 2:3 and at 4:3), and $\frac{1}{4}:\frac{1}{2}:\frac{2}{3}$ (K2-268, gap at 1:3).

Table 14. Beyond the famous Laplace resonance: Groups of triple MMRs reduced to ratios of integers ≤ 9 . The top 6 groups are by far the most common; they are analyzed further in Table 15. The top 3 groups are understood to a large extent [18–28,102–105]. The next 3 groups (4)–(6) are isolated here for the first time, and they should be investigated in future studies.

Group No.	Actual MMR Chains (Common MMRs)					System Names	Integer Ratios	Local MMR Pairs
(1)		1/2	1	2		GJ 876 , HR 8799 , HD 219134 , K-176	1:2:4 (LRs)	2/1 = 2/1
	1/4	1/2	1			HIP 41378 , Galilean LR	(2 types [23])	
(2)	4/9	2/3	1			HD 110067 , HD 23472 , K-102	4:6:9	3/2 = 3/2
		2/3	1	3/2		HD 110067 , HD 158259 , K-11 , K2-138	(GSs)	
	1/3	1/2	3/4			TR-1 , K2-384	($r = 3/2$ [24])	
(3)			1	3/2	2	HD 110067	2:3:4	3/2 \rightarrow 4/3
		2/3	1	4/3		TOI-178 , K-223	(Laplace-like)	
		1/2	3/4	1		TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-90 , K2-384	(3 types [23])	
	1/18	1/12	1/9			Saturn		
(4)		3/4	1	3/2		TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-226	3:4:6	4/3 \leftarrow 3/2
		1/2	2/3	1		K-223 , K2-268		
	1/3	4/9	2/3			K-102		
	1/12	1/9	1/6			Saturn		
(5)	1/4	1/2	3/4			TOI-1136	1:2:3	2/1 \rightarrow 3/2
	1/6	1/3	1/2			K2-384		
		1/3	2/3	1		K-51 , K-62 , K-82		
			1/2	1	3/2	K-32 , K-84 , Uranus		
(6)	1/9	1/6	1/3			K-20	2:3:6	3/2 \leftarrow 2/1
	1/6	1/4	1/2			TOI-1136		
	1/5	3/10	3/5			K-292		
				1	3/2	3	K-84 , K-305	
Group No.	Actual MMR Chains (Uncommon MMRs)					System Names	Integer Ratios	
(7)	1/6	1/3	1			HD 20781	1:2:6	
		1/2	1	9/2		K-48 , HIP 41378	1:2:9	
		1/3	1	4/3		HD 10180	1:3:4 (Pluto)	
	1/8	1/2	1			K-32	1:4:8	
(8)		2/3	1	5/3		HD 23472 , K-102	2:3:5	
	2/9	4/9	2/3			HD 23472	2:4:6	
		2/7	4/7	1		K-238	2:4:7	
		2/9	4/9	1		K-332	2:4:9	
				2	9/2	HR 8799		
		1/3	1	3/2		K-80	2:6:9	
(9)	1/2	2/3	5/6			K-1542	3:4:5 (Pluto)	
				1	5/3	8/3	3:5:8	
				1	5/3	3	3:5:9	
	1/4	1/2	2/3			K2-268	3:6:8	
(10)		2/3	5/6	1		K-1542	4:5:6 (Pluto)	

Table 15. Groups (1)-(6) of integer ratios: Analysis of local MMR pairs and their corresponding phase angles and their likely libration centers (LCs) [13,24].*

Group No.	System Names	Integer Ratios	Local MMR Pairs	Coefficients <i>A</i> <i>B</i>		Phase ϕ	Likely LCs
(1)	GJ 876 , HR 8799 , HD 219134 , K-176 HIP 41378 , Galilean LR	1:2:4 (LRs) (2 types [23])	2/1 = 2/1	1	2	ϕ_L	0° 180°
(2)	HD 110067 , HD 23472 , K-102 HD 110067 , HD 158259 , K-11 , K2-138 TR-1 , K2-384	4:6:9 (GSSs) ($r = 3/2$ [24])	3/2 = 3/2	2	3	$\phi_L + \alpha_0$	180° [13,19,21]
(3)	HD 110067 TOI-178 , K-223 TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-90 , K2-384 Saturn	2:3:4 (Laplace-like) (3 types [23])	3/2 \rightarrow 4/3	2	4	2 ϕ_L	180° \pm 18°
(4)	TR-1 , TOI-1136 , K-226 K-223 , K2-268 K-102 Saturn	3:4:6	4/3 \leftarrow 3/2	3	3	3 α_0	180° or 180° \pm 31°
(5)	TOI-1136 K2-384 K-51 , K-62 , K-82 K-32 , K-84 , Uranus	1:2:3	2/1 \rightarrow 3/2	1	3	2 $\phi_L - \alpha_0$	180° [13,19,21]
(6)	K-20 TOI-1136 K-292 K-84 , K-305	2:3:6	3/2 \leftarrow 2/1	2	2	2 α_0	No Librations ^{9,10}

*Symbols and equations: Mean longitudes λ_i ($i = 1, 2, 3$). Phase angle of each triple MMR $\phi = A\lambda_1 - (A + B)\lambda_2 + B\lambda_3$. Laplace phase angle $\phi_L = \lambda_1 - 3\lambda_2 + 2\lambda_3$ ($A = 1, B = 2$) [25]. K-60 angle $\alpha_0 = \lambda_1 - 2\lambda_2 + \lambda_3$ ($A = 1, B = 1$) [18,24].

12. *A criterion for the absence of librations in triple MMR chains.*—The preceding analysis (item (a)-(iii) in part 11) revealed a criterion, viz.

$$A > B,$$

(3)

for the absence of librations in triple MMR chains (or, equivalently, in local adjacent resonant pairs). We reduce inequality (3) to first principles as follows:

We consider a pair of MMRs in the form of irreducible fractions, viz. $f_i = (r_i + s_i)/r_i > 1$, where subscripts $i = 1$ and $i = 2$ correspond to the leading and the trailing MMR, respectively, and $s_i \geq 1$ is the order parameter of the i^{th} MMR. From Ref. [24], we obtain expressions for A and B in the general case with $s_1 \neq s_2$, viz.

$$\begin{cases} A &= r_1 s_2 \\ B &= r_2 s_1 + s_1 s_2 \end{cases}.$$

(4)

Then, the criterion (3) leads to the inequality

$$\frac{r_1}{s_1} > \frac{r_2}{s_2} + 1,$$

(5)

or, equivalently, to the fundamental form

$$f_1 + \frac{1}{f_2} < 2.$$

(6)

In the case of a trailing 2:1 MMR, then $f_2 = 2$ and equation (6) gives $f_1 < 3/2$. Since $f_1 > 1$, leading MMRs with $1 < f_1 < 3/2$ (e.g., 4:3 or 5:4) are predicted to show no librations, if they are found in real systems in the future.

Absence of such $f_2 = 2$ MMRs was discovered empirically in past work (note rows 12, 13 in Table 2 of Ref. [24]). In row 11 of the same table, it was pointed out that the pair (4:3 & 5:4) has not been observed either (see endnote 8). The fractions $f_1 = 4/3$, $f_2 = 5/4$ do not satisfy the inequality (6); in which case the triple MMR chain of the integer form 3:4:5 (observed in Pluto’s moons) is not precluded from locking into librations (see also the unusual top entry in group (9) of Table 14 for K-1542).

The $\frac{3}{4}:\frac{1}{3}:\frac{5}{3}$ MMR of K-90 ($A = 6, B = 5, A > B$) at the bottom of Table 4 is another example. This triple MMR (Figure 12) is expected to not be librating because $f_1 = 4/3$, $f_2 = 5/3$, and the no-libration criterion (6) is amply satisfied.

On the other hand, the 20 integer MMR ratios listed in Table 14 do not satisfy the no-libration criterion (6), which is consistent with their appearance in real systems. These MMRs are tested in the program `Analysis_Files/Phases/Criterion_1.m` of the library. In contrast, the related program `Criterion_2.m` produces a set of hypothetical, single-digit integer, MMR ratios that do satisfy the criterion (6) for the absence of librations.

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Abbreviations

The following abbreviations are used in this manuscript:

DOI	Digital Object Identifier
DP	Dwarf Planet (Table 10)
EPS	Encapsulated PostScript
GS	Geometric Sequence
K-	Kepler-
K2-	Kepler2-
LC	Libration Center
LR	Laplace Resonance
MMR	Mean-Motion Resonance
P	Planet (Table 10)
PDF	Portable Document Format
SI	Système International d’unités
TR-1	TRAPPIST-1
TS	Teegarden’s Star [76–78]

Notes

- 1
- The 7:3 exterior MMR occurs in K-30, K-80, K2-32, TOI-700, Teegarden’s system, and the Galilean moons.
- 2
- The 3:7 interior MMR occurs in K2-138, TOI-178, and HD 158259.
- 3
- The reduced 1:2:3 MMR ratio does not occur in this precise form (so the 2:1 MMR remains vacant), but its rational scalings occur in Uranus (Umbriel-Titania-Oberon), K-32, K-51, K-62, K-82, K-84, K2-384, TOI-1136, and HD 23472.
- 4
- An extreme ratio of $\lambda_L/\lambda > 2.5$ (such as those at the bottom of Table 8) implies that the most massive planet is orbiting at the outer end of the MMR chain while the less massive inner planets are in a compact configuration characterized by $\lambda \ll \lambda_L$. Additional solar-system examples are the Uranian and Neptunian moon systems shown in Figures 9 and 24, respectively.
- 5
- In the 1:3/2:2 MMR section of HD 110067, the planets are orbiting to within $< 0.05\%$ of their respective MMRs. Outside this section, the planets continue to exhibit tiny relative deviations of $\leq 0.093\%$ from the corresponding MMRs. The relative deviations from the empirically determined MMRs in the HD 110067 system (viz. $[-6.7 \ -4.4 \ 0.0 \ 4.4 \ 4.7 \ 9.3]\times 10^{-4}$) are the smallest ones among all systems in the library.
- 6
- Furthermore, two four-planet resonant phase angles were calculated for HD 110067 in Ref. [24].
- 7
- We note that planet K-9 c was also found to be near the 2:1 MMR of the three-planet system K-9 d-b-c [106–108], but we do not consider it a mystery. Planet d is too distant to participate in a triple MMR, and the two massive planets b, c form a single pair that is kept off of the exact 2:1 MMR which was shown to be unstable [109]. It was also shown in Ref. [109] that the long-term stability of the pair is maintained by the libration of the difference of apsidal angles about $\sim 180^\circ$ with amplitude $(\Delta\varpi)_{b-c} \simeq 30^\circ$.

- 8 Summary of chains with an occupied non-LR 2:1 MMR: $1:\frac{3}{2}:2$ in HD 110067 d-e-f, a Laplace-like resonance [24]; $\frac{3}{5}:1:2$ in TOI-270 b-c-d, unexplained [23]; $\frac{1}{12}:1:2$ in K-9 d-b-c, apsidal difference $(\Delta\omega)_{b-c}$ librates about $\sim 180^\circ$ maintaining long-term stability [109].
- 9 No librations have been found for the (3:2 & 2:1) local MMR pair. The reason appears to be that the trailing 2:1 MMR is not viable outside of the classical LR and the Laplace-like resonances; because no model librations were found for the (4:3 & 2:1) and (5:4 & 2:1) first-order pairs either [13]. However, these latter MMR pairs have not been observed in real systems.
- 10 The (4:3 & 5:4) local MMR pair has also not been observed yet, but models show that librations about 180° are likely for their phase angle of $\phi = 2\phi_L + \alpha_0$ [13,24].

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