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FASTT VERSUS IRAS

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In the course of work on the Wachmann SA 98 variables (Skiff 1999a) and the Chavira infrared stars (Skiff 1999b), I noticed numerous identifications within SIMBAD involving a list of suspected variables found by Henden & Stone (1998) using the USNO–Flagstaff 20-cm transit circle, dubbed ‘FASTT’ (Flagstaff Astrometric Scanning Transit Telescope). Although about 100 of the 1600 stars were accurately matched within the GCVS (see Henden & Stone’s Table 3), other external identifications were not made.

I have compared the list against the IRAS point-source and IRAS “faint-source” catalogues using the Strasbourg ‘VizieR’ facility. The table shows the 160-odd match-ups found within 20'' of the high-precision FASTT coordinates. This search radius is similar to the major axis of the typical IRAS position error-ellipse. In fact, the great majority of the IRAS sources were within $\sim 5''$ of the FASTT star. All but a few of these correspond to cool AGB variables, where the 12/25 μm IRAS flux ratios are ≥ 1.5 , with generally *no* detection at 60 μm or 100 μm (*cf.* Figure 1 of Zijlstra *et al.* 1990). The only two IRAS coincidences having odd IRAS ‘colors’ are two extragalactic objects: one is a quasar (FASTT 159), the other is the center of a nearby galaxy (FASTT 543 = NGC 4653). Since the FASTT astrometric reference frame included extragalactic radio sources (*cf.* Stone 1997), high-*z* objects were commonly on the observing program.

The table preserves the precise (~ 50 mas) coordinates of the on-line version of the original file. (I have made the positive Declination signs explicit, however.) The next column shows IRAS names. While all the ordinary IRAS point-sources are present in SIMBAD, most of the “faint-source” catalogue objects are not unless there is some published study of them. The last column shows various ‘new’ IDs, specifically names not linked with the FASTT stars in SIMBAD. If the IRAS name is already linked with a variable-star name in SIMBAD, then the GCVS name alone is given. This is to emphasize the GCVS name as a primary identifier for the object. A few longer notes are given at the bottom of the list.

I appreciate the comments of Arne Henden on the results of this search.

Table 1: Identifications for FASTT suspected variables

FASTT	RA	(2000)	Dec	IRAS	Identifications
32	00 47 53.1434		-01 18 58.884		SX Cet
74	03 54 30.2308		+01 24 19.155	03519+0115	
104	03 28 18.6865		-01 32 58.175	F03257-0143	
109	04 15 20.2203		+01 18 00.209	04127+0110	NSV 15930
112	04 21 27.2441		+01 29 13.293	04188+0122	[TI98] 0418+0122
132	04 33 44.9156		+00 01 36.565		BD Eri
135	04 17 07.8421		-00 25 06.634	F04145-0032	
159	04 23 15.7858		-01 20 33.320	04207-0127	Ohio A 129; quasar
166	07 02 59.4231		+01 09 53.852	07004+0114	V529 Mon
167	07 03 31.2546		+01 01 37.802	07009+0106	
175	07 07 06.5880		+00 46 35.045	07045+0051	
182	07 14 06.4834		+00 57 46.885	07115+0103	
187	07 18 42.9948		+01 11 11.122	07161+0116	
193	07 29 20.9854		+00 49 55.576	07267+0056	
196	07 29 36.9737		+01 01 41.164	07270+0107	
202	07 08 18.0761		+00 41 12.978	07057+0046	
215	07 25 28.5258		+00 35 12.196	07229+0041	
233	07 05 10.3269		-00 00 04.009	07026+0004	
267	07 03 39.6407		-00 16 05.930	07011-0011	
276	07 08 56.4741		-00 17 24.450	07063-0012	CGCS 1568 = C* 677
291	07 20 06.8815		-00 06 26.843	07175-0000	
296	07 25 04.6868		-00 24 23.206	07225-0018	GSC 4817-0788
303	07 03 46.0795		-00 37 28.989	07012-0032	
308	07 13 53.0339		-00 30 59.792	07113-0025	
309	07 14 16.1709		-00 32 17.875	07117-0027	
312	07 19 25.9116		-00 43 28.583	07168-0037	
316	07 25 52.1458		-00 40 36.849	07233-0034	
318	07 28 28.1777		-00 45 04.412	07259-0038	
323	07 04 06.0017		-01 07 29.365	07015-0102	
336	07 24 33.3033		-00 56 40.028	07220-0050	CGCS 1697 = C* 748
342	07 11 05.9770		-01 18 17.679	07085-0113	
344	07 12 23.4642		-01 24 52.332	07098-0119	MW Mon
352	07 18 38.9907		-01 16 52.135	07161-0111	[LRS87] 45
358	07 23 24.5557		-01 20 22.284	07208-0114	
362	07 51 08.0034		+00 56 34.266	07485+0104	
364	07 52 56.0964		+01 09 40.624		AE CMi
366	07 55 11.0387		+01 27 55.012	07526+0135	
369	08 01 01.7891		+01 20 15.742	F07584+0128	
381	07 55 01.0419		+00 23 36.725	07524+0031	
382	07 59 38.9088		+00 30 28.021	07570+0038	AF CMi
405	08 12 37.5712		-00 02 14.347	08100+0006	
415	07 57 24.1364		-00 09 29.495	07548-0001	
430	07 54 19.3442		-00 40 08.572	07517-0032	NSV 3799
434	07 57 43.2547		-00 41 06.397	07551-0032	see note
511	10 52 46.9340		-01 10 46.623		SY Leo
537	12 34 41.6025		-00 14 14.125	12321+0002	StM 172
543	12 43 50.9177		-00 33 40.685	12412-0017	NGC 4653; galaxy nucleus
615	13 28 35.2976		-01 05 54.441	13260-0050	WX Vir
648	15 26 10.6800		+00 31 56.443	F15236+0042	NSV 7075
727	16 02 49.1800		+00 36 40.478	16002+0044	DW Ser
730	16 11 32.5571		+00 31 10.394	16090+0038	
745	16 15 19.8039		+00 13 45.820		CL Ser
757	16 07 08.1700		-00 18 53.780		AI Ser
780	16 16 55.4144		-00 50 42.626	16143-0043	NSV 7594

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FASTT	RA	(2000)	Dec	IRAS	Identifications
811	16 19	37.2845	-01 15 47.359	16170-0108	CM Ser
817	17 42	40.1407	+00 56 10.211	17401+0057	
819	17 43	21.8610	+01 02 00.378	17408+0103	V1070 Oph
820	17 45	22.5865	+01 07 17.430	F17428+0108	
825	17 46	51.2143	+00 56 08.247		V377 Oph
826	17 47	37.1640	+01 32 37.494	17450+0133	V458 Oph
837	17 55	47.1611	+00 56 38.666	17532+0057	V472 Oph
845	17 57	55.7259	+00 58 23.449		V474 Oph
847	17 58	38.8167	+01 26 20.564		V984 Oph, see note
863	18 02	27.2489	+01 03 16.928	F17598+0103	
866	18 03	28.4574	+01 16 30.610	18009+0116	
871	18 04	07.4571	+01 17 55.618	18015+0117	
873	18 05	18.6545	+01 05 42.243	18027+0105	
879	18 10	04.7573	+00 45 56.229	18075+0045	
881	18 10	54.5518	+00 48 20.463	18083+0047	
882	18 11	06.0895	+01 03 31.248	18085+0102	V402 Oph
895	17 46	00.9548	+00 39 30.781	F17434+0040	
899	17 52	12.2087	+00 25 30.357	F17496+0026	
900	17 52	22.6824	+00 35 01.126	17498+0035	
901	17 53	41.4645	+00 35 11.462	17511+0035	
907	18 00	00.2026	+00 32 19.821	F17574+0032	V1082 Oph
908	18 01	07.0345	+00 41 44.912	17585+0041	V482 Oph = IRC +00334
915	18 09	48.8309	+00 39 48.726	18072+0039	
937	17 46	25.7490	+00 15 23.653	17438+0016	
945	17 53	54.8518	+00 00 04.850		V384 Oph
973	18 10	00.2548	+00 05 53.519	18074+0005	
974	18 10	05.2329	+00 17 52.865	18075+0017	
978	18 11	52.3788	+00 00 02.165	18093-0000	
985	17 47	39.4879	-00 03 34.320	F17451-0002	
990	17 51	37.3809	-00 17 58.092	17490-0017	
997	18 02	30.9173	-00 05 59.038		AX Ser
999	18 03	21.6779	-00 25 51.742	F18008-0026	NSV 10095
1004	18 05	37.6780	-00 26 19.377	18030-0026	EQ Ser
1009	18 09	17.6603	-00 18 45.635	18067-0019	YZ Ser
1022	18 01	58.6797	-00 12 16.357	F17594-0012	
1024	18 03	18.0429	-00 11 57.630	18007-0012	
1034	17 48	03.2524	-00 41 05.988		KT Oph
1036	17 49	19.6661	-00 28 39.842	17467-0027	
1040	17 52	49.9225	-00 32 40.108	F17502-0032	
1041	17 52	53.1267	-00 39 12.009	F17503-0038	
1042	17 53	16.9721	-00 28 07.869	F17506-0027	V467 Oph, see note
1046	17 57	39.2992	-00 46 24.568	17550-0046	
1050	17 58	21.5248	-00 39 32.955	17557-0039	
1051	17 58	23.8998	-00 39 21.896	F17558-0039	
1055	17 59	56.9239	-00 32 20.466	17573-0032	
1060	18 00	16.0424	-00 42 28.243	F17576-0042	
1063	18 00	55.2952	-00 38 17.528		XY Ser
1072	18 05	19.1262	-00 30 10.678	18027-003	
1074	18 05	48.6384	-00 43 05.721		VZ Ser
1082	18 12	21.3856	-00 28 01.824	18097-0028	
1087	18 09	45.1566	-00 32 41.693	18071-0033	
1101	17 54	26.5275	-01 00 24.907	17518-0059	V385 Oph
1104	17 55	52.2434	-01 02 36.240	17532-0102	
1108	17 57	03.6086	-01 06 33.187	F17544-0106	

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FASTT	RA	(2000)	Dec	IRAS	Identifications
1133	18 06	44.9449	-00 52 19.488	18041-0052	
1136	17 44	45.1927	-01 31 47.686		V935 Oph = IRC +00318
1138	17 48	27.1099	-01 31 15.152	17458-0130	
1141	17 51	37.9303	-01 32 21.662	17490-0131	V463 Oph
1143	17 56	23.7921	-01 17 28.503	17538-0117	NSV 9877
1145	17 57	54.5980	-01 25 26.713	F17553-0125	
1146	17 58	05.8084	-01 37 21.820	F17554-0137	
1152	18 00	47.7425	-01 33 35.187	F17582-0133	
1153	18 01	04.4135	-01 20 51.984		XZ Ser
1161	18 08	52.7727	-01 30 28.786	18062-0131	
1162	18 09	08.4981	-01 14 40.372	18065-0115	
1165	18 35	13.7974	+01 24 49.898	18326+0122	
1167	18 37	10.0260	+01 24 05.004	18346+0121	
1171	18 45	17.2881	+00 56 29.886	18427+0053	
1172	18 45	35.5724	+00 57 58.415	18430+0054	
1176	18 53	34.2286	+00 48 55.589	18510+0045	
1178	19 02	04.9601	+00 57 48.999	18595+0053	
1179	19 02	21.1236	+01 30 41.135	18598+0126	
1180	19 02	39.6317	+01 29 13.653	19001+0124	
1184	18 36	37.3952	+00 36 35.331	18340+0034	
1186	18 43	24.1459	+00 39 14.132	18408+0036	
1187	18 44	47.7892	+00 22 30.559	18422+0019	
1193	18 55	41.6988	+00 20 49.093	18531+0016	
1194	18 56	30.1236	+00 30 32.783	18539+0026	
1196	19 02	41.5626	+00 36 12.680	19001+0031	
1200	18 44	18.8382	-00 00 09.374	18417-0003	
1211	18 54	02.2636	+00 15 34.845	18514+0011	
1215	18 56	24.1583	+00 14 48.389	18538+0010	
1216	18 56	26.1954	-00 04 26.487	18538-0008	
1217	18 59	12.2597	+00 14 16.264	18566+0010	
1218	19 00	13.6357	-00 04 34.734	18576-0008	
1230	18 41	28.4685	-00 12 10.704	18389-0015	
1231	18 42	38.2593	-00 08 31.188	18400-0011	
1267	18 37	05.1096	-00 28 39.106	18345-0031	
1268	18 37	36.1267	-00 40 46.521	18350-0043	
1270	18 45	04.1981	-00 46 47.339	18424-0050	
1271	18 49	11.7071	-00 41 43.431	18466-0045	
1272	18 50	31.7898	-00 43 24.834	18479-0047	
1286	18 53	03.7156	-00 40 46.440	18504-0044	
1296	18 54	27.9018	-00 36 46.858	18518-0040	
1300	18 54	44.2514	-00 49 09.864	18521-0053	
1309	18 56	08.7053	-00 28 33.897	18535-0032	IRC +00395
1326	19 00	59.8551	-00 48 46.145	18584-0053	
1330	19 02	12.8037	-00 44 21.301	18596-0048	
1332	19 02	25.7121	-00 30 14.740	18598-0034	
1346	18 34	14.7470	-00 58 43.529	18316-0101	IRC +00357
1360	18 51	53.8026	-00 58 45.016	18493-0102	
1379	18 55	18.4894	-01 00 48.226	18527-0104	
1380	18 55	20.6223	-01 05 31.560	18527-0109	

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FASTT	RA	(2000)	Dec	IRAS	Identifications
1427	19 00 03.4187		-00 50 59.648	18574-0055	
1442	18 41 07.1615		-01 35 10.384	18385-0138	
1443	18 41 21.2270		-01 25 28.476	18387-0128	
1444	18 41 28.7498		-01 27 04.275	18388-0130	
1455	18 54 55.9321		-01 21 22.100	18523-0125	
1461	18 58 38.0914		-01 30 17.282	18560-0134	
1463	18 59 11.2937		-01 19 09.753	18565-0123	V886 Aql
1466	19 00 09.6063		-01 34 56.970		VX Aql
1530	22 05 36.9379		-00 49 38.997	22030-0104	

Notes:

- 434 CGCS 1960 = C* 961, but *not* HIP 38915, whose coordinates are for another star (*i.e.* Hipparcos missed the carbon star).
847 evidently not IRAS 17561+0126 (outside position error ellipse).
1042 SIMBAD position in error, *cf.* Manek (1997).

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