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The Sun as a star seen through planet hunting instruments

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Despite spectacular advances in the stability and precision of radial-velocity spectrometers over the last 3 decades, the detection threshold for the reflex orbital motion of planet-host stars has been stalled at around 1 m/s for the last 15 years. This is an order of magnitude greater than is needed for determining the masses of Earth analogues around solar-type stars. The culprit is stellar activity, whose forms range from p-modes and photospheric granulation to Doppler-shifted flux perturbations by dark spots and bright faculae, to localised magnetic suppression of convective flows at different depths in the photosphere. A small, purpose-built solar telescope has been feeding integrated sunlight into the HARPS-N radial-velocity spectrometer every clear day since July 2015. I will review a selection of the ongoing investigations that are using these Sun-as-a-star data to develop both data-driven and physics-based methods for separating the effects of stellar photospheric physics from true dynamical Doppler shifts.

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