

GENIUS Mid Term review

Context:
the Gaia mission and the DPAC



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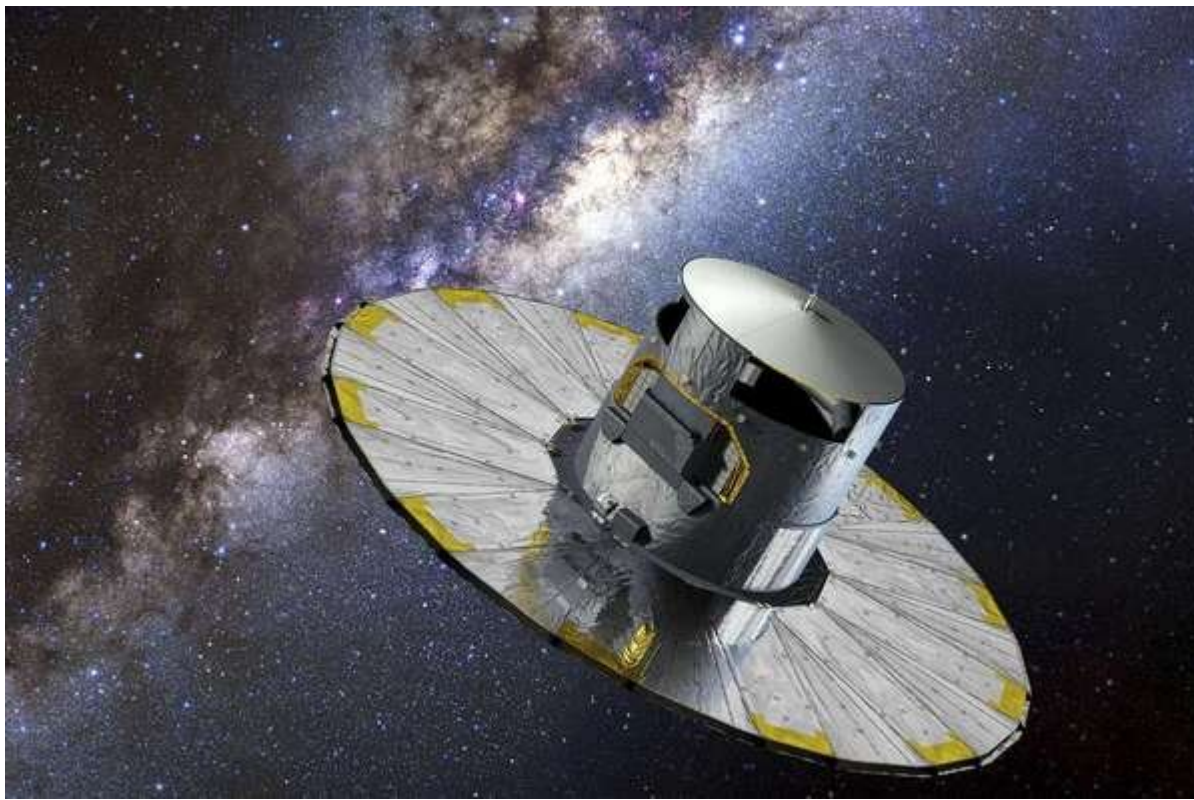
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Gaia: an ESA's cornerstone mission

- Selected in 2001
- Launched in Dec. 2013
- Now on operations

Gaia: a (mainly) astrometric mission

- **>10⁹ objects** (~1% Milky Way)
- Complete up to 20th magnitude
- ➔ • Positions, velocities and parallaxes
 - Nominal precision (15th mag): ~25 μ as
- ➔ • Spectrophotometry
- ➔ • Spectroscopy and radial velocities (G<16)
- No input catalogue → unbiased survey

A data processing challenge



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Astrometry

- Astrometric centroid of the CCD image to be determined to an accuracy of 1% of the pixel size!
 - 150TB downlinked, need to handle ~1PB
 - 10^{12} individual images to process
 - At 1 millisecond each that is 30years
 - Processing estimate remains 10^{20} FLOP
- Gaia attitude is required to the order of ~ 20 μ arcsec
 - Path of light through instrument needed to nanometre level
 - System must be extremely stable
 - Must consider (among other things) relativistic light bending from solar system objects with great detail (unprecedented)
- Attitude and Geometric calibration can only be done using Gaia's own observational data (self-calibration)



BP/RP & RVS

- G magnitudes for all stars to few millimag
- BP/RP spectra are collected using red and blue enhanced CCDs (low resolution)
 - Extracting the signal will be hard
 - Calibration will be difficult: flux scale (all types of objects) from data, using different gates
 - Some ground based observations needed
- RVS spectra for 150 million stars (x40 times)
 - All light in FOV dispersed on RVS - disentangling spectra will be difficult
 - Calibration again tricky



Organizing it: the DPAC



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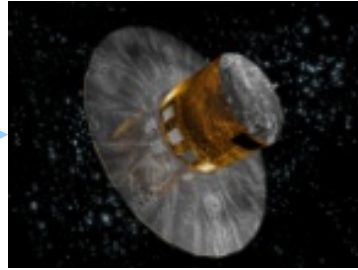




Industry/ESA CSG/ESOC



(2013)



One consortium: the DPAC

**The final
responsibility
of the Mission is
in the hands of ESA**

**Data reduction is a
responsibility of the
scientific community,
funded by the member
states**



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Data Processing and Analysis Consortium

- Formed to answer the Announcement of Opportunity (AO) for Gaia data processing
- Involves large number of European institutes and observatories (>400 people, >20 institutes)
- The science community must fund the majority of the Gaia processing (not ESA)



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Data Processing & Analysis Consortium

Proposal for the Gaia Data Processing



April 2007

GAIA-CD-SP-DPAC-FM-030-2

AO response (2006)

- Presents the initial design for the processing of the Gaia data
- Also defines the structure of DPAC
- Concepts have evolved since then



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GENIUS (EC)

- 459 members
- 25 Funding Agencies
- 93% in the 10 largest



- With a 5 years mission, ~33% of DPAC cost will be dedicated to Operations



MLA duration: 2007-2022

FTEs/year up to 2011: 270

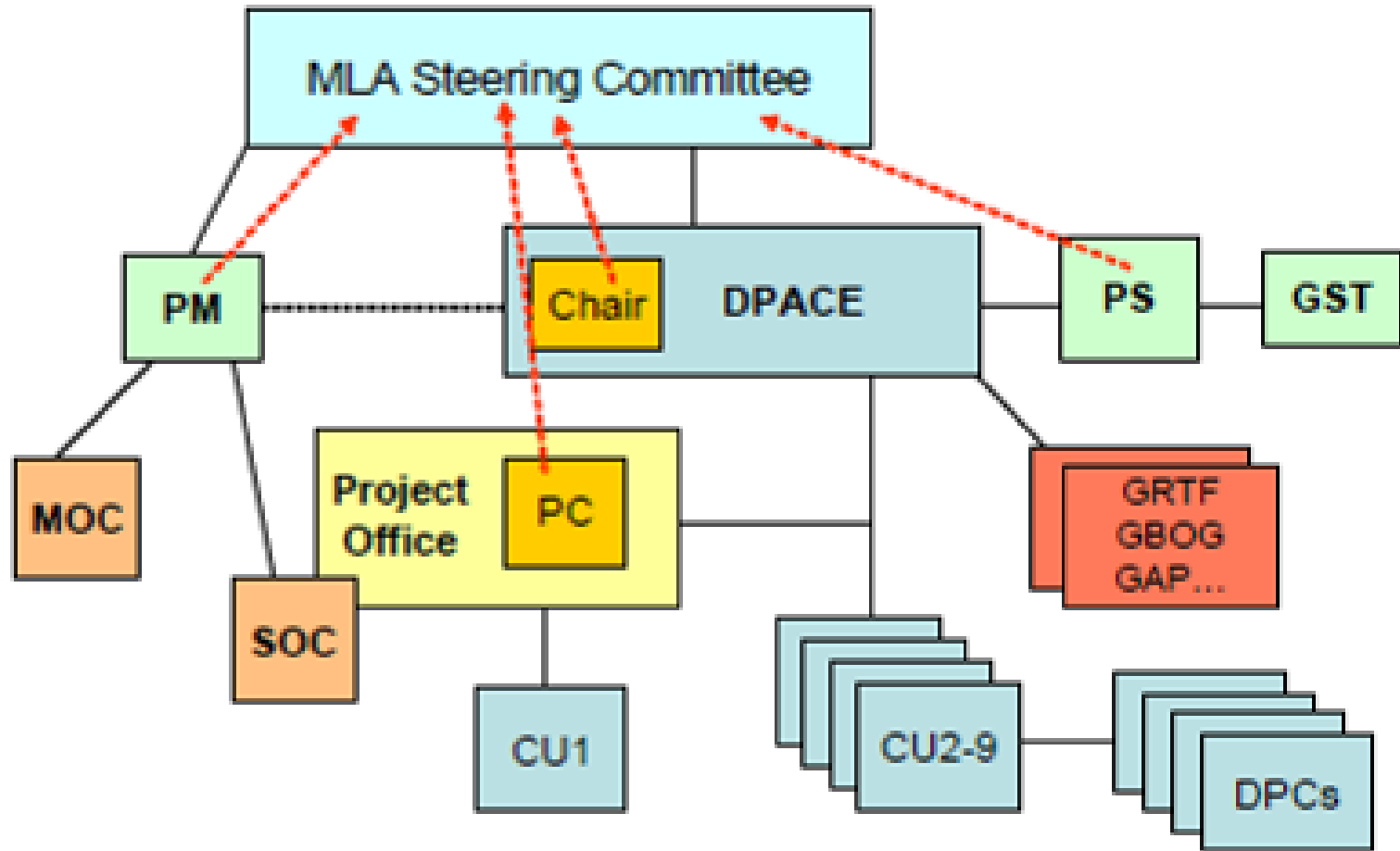
Average yearly cost: ~30Meuros

Global cost: ~500M€



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**Coordination
units**

**Data processing
centers**

- **The leaders of CUs and the PO + very few others**
 - organize the work
 - see it is carried out
 - resolve schedule conflicts/dependencies
- **The Gaia Science Team (GST)**
 - looks after the science
 - ensures DPAC is on track
 - DPAC chair sits in GST



DPAC coordination units

- CU1: System Architecture
- CU2: Data Simulations
- CU3: Core Processing
- CU4: Object Processing (multiple objects)
- CU5: Photometric Processing
- CU6: Spectroscopic Processing
- CU7: Variability Processing
- CU8: Astrophysical Parameters
- CU9: Catalogue Access

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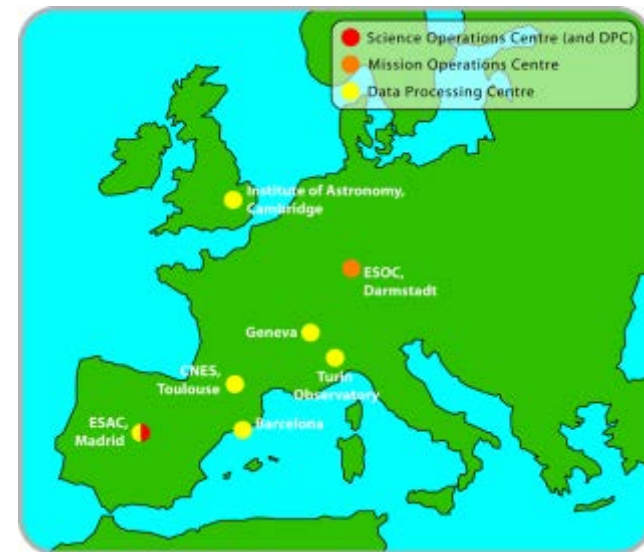
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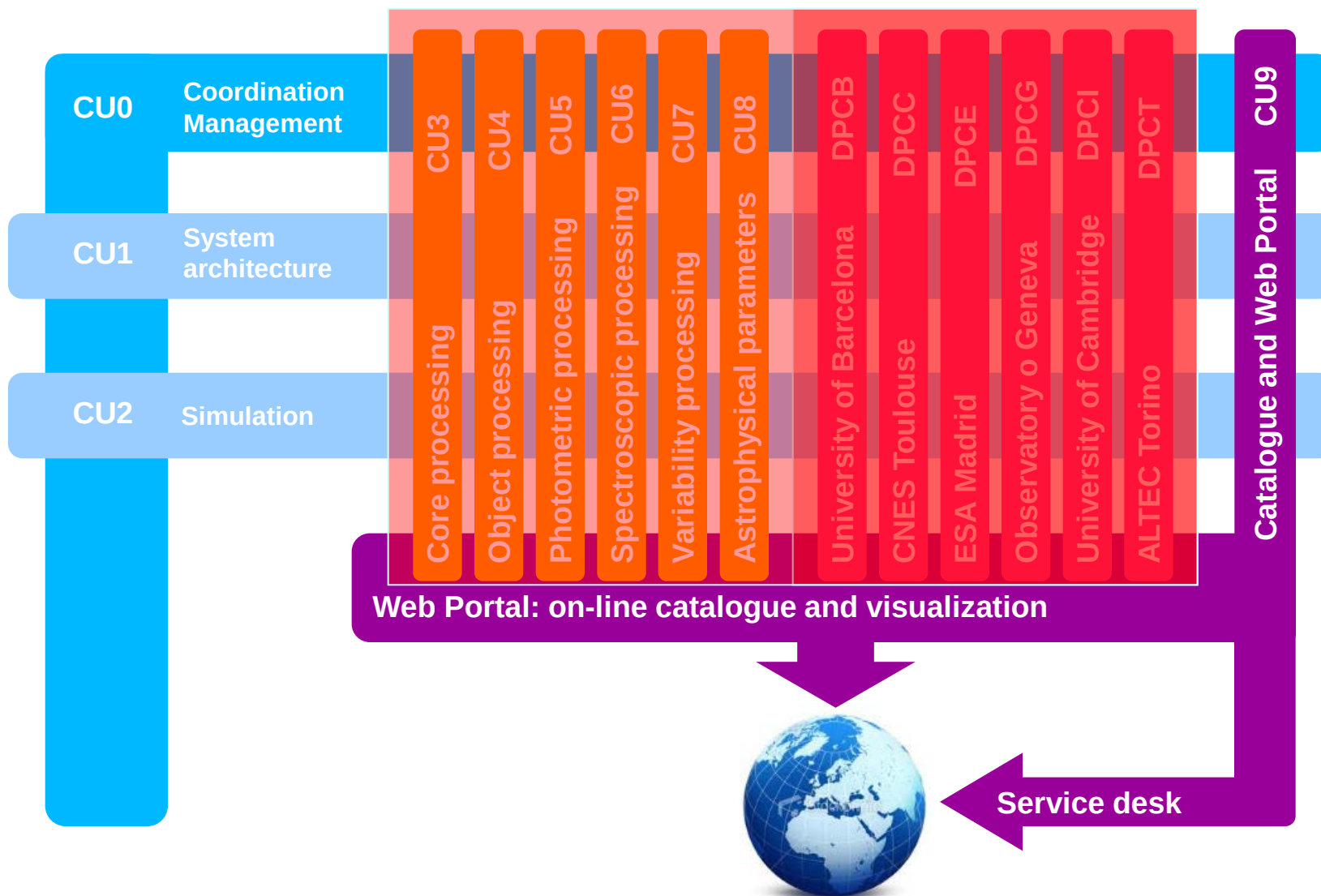


DPCs underpin and support CUs

- Software support and production
- Operation of processing system(s)

- ESAC (CU1,3) Madrid
- BPC (CU2,3) Barcelona
- CNES (CU4,6,8) Toulouse
- ISDC (CU7) Geneva
- IoA (CU5) Cambridge
- OATO (CU3) Torino





The final archive: CU9



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CU9 role

The CU9 is in charge of designing, implementing and operating the Gaia archive. It will be responsible of actually making the Gaia data available to the scientific community.



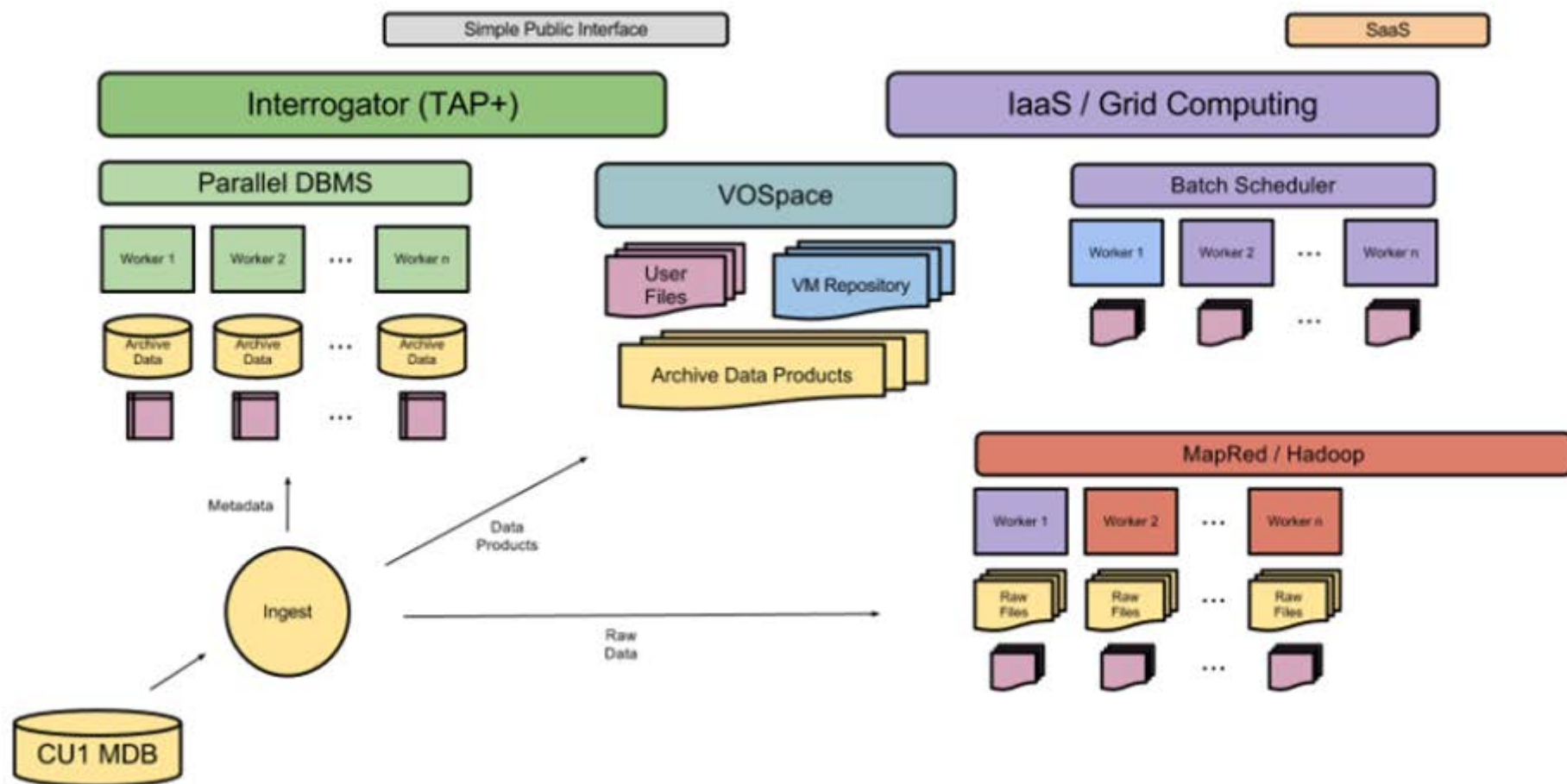
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Archive architecture at SOC



Gaia status



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Launch December 19 2013 09:12:19 UTC



1. First 1h43m: First signal acquisition and automatic start-up sequence monitoring
 - ✓ transmitter, gyroscopes, PLM bipod release, CPS priming, thermal control configuration
2. Acquisition of sun pointing attitude
3. Sunshield deployment completed at 10:38 UTC
4. Payload decontamination started
5. Star tracker switch-on and preparation for trajectory correction

Insertion into orbit around L2

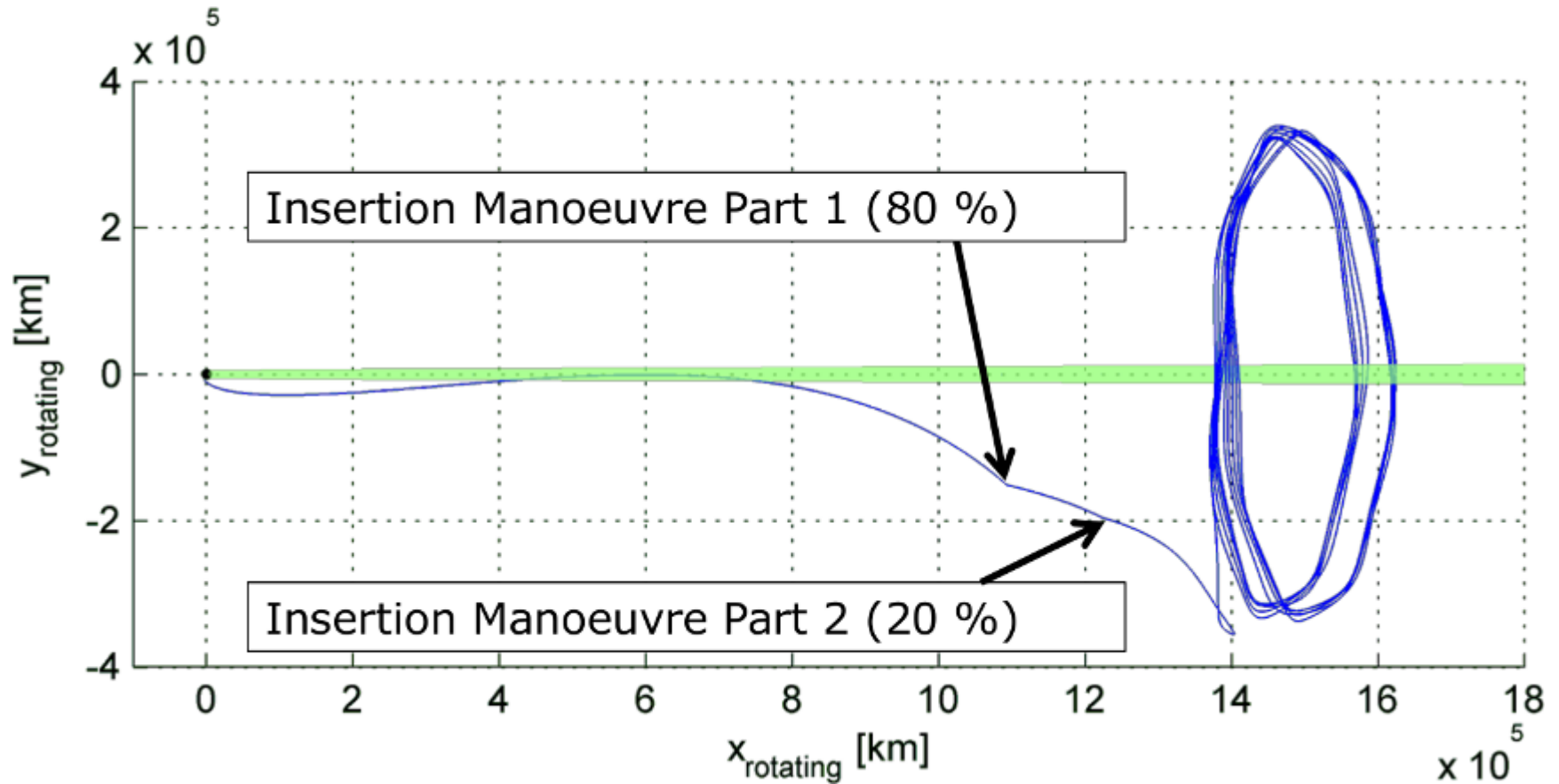
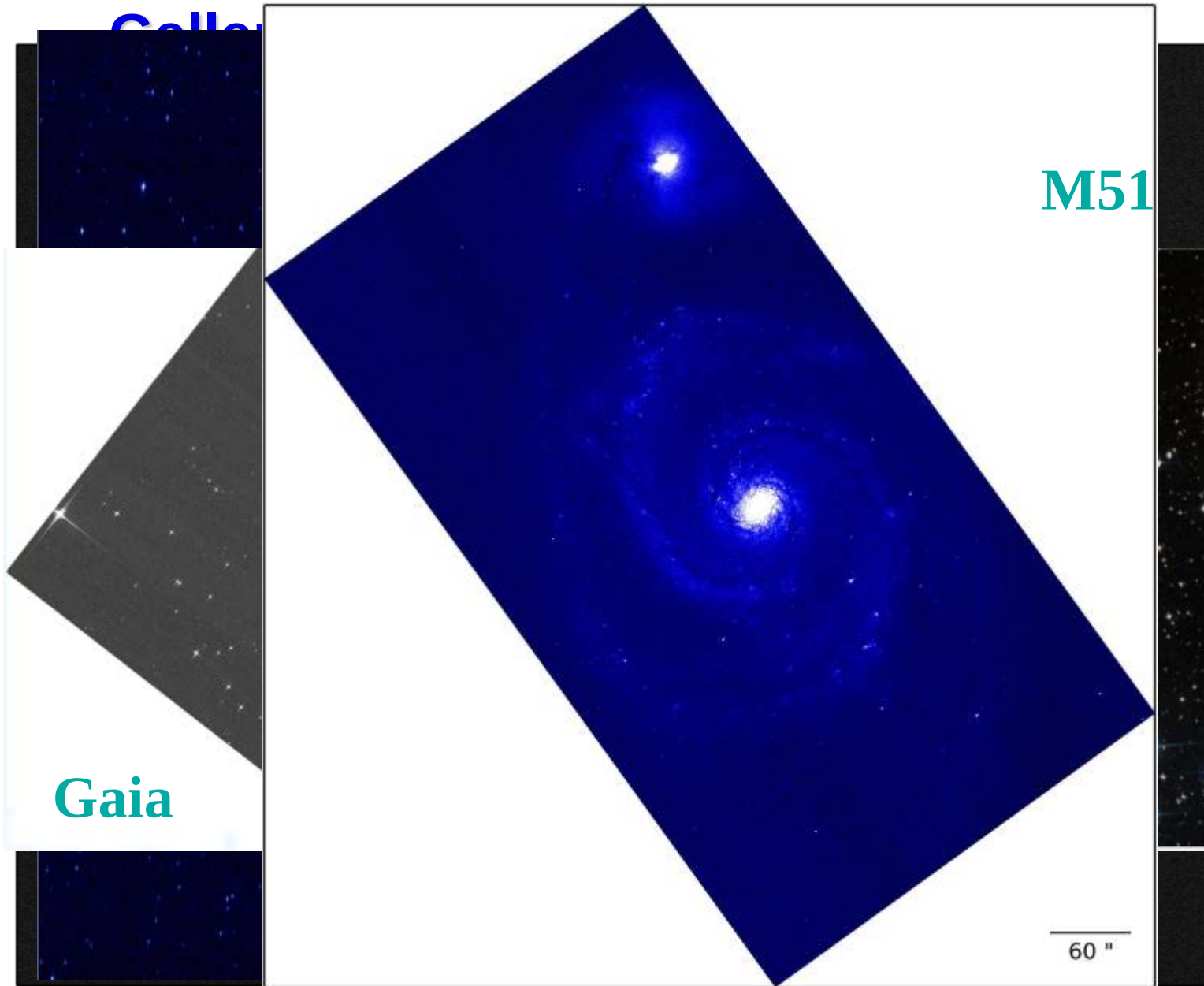


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Updated science performances (G2V star)

Pre-launch predictions

V-magnitude	Astrometry (parallax)	Photometry (BP/RP integrated)	Spectroscopy (radial velocity)
6 to 12	5-14 μ as	4 mmag	1 km/s
15	24 μ as	4 mmag	3 km/s
16.5			13 km/s
20	290 μ as	40 mmag	

Revised estimation

3 to 12	5-16 μ as	4 mmag	1 km/s
15	24 μ as	4 mmag	15 km/s
16.5			
20	540 μ as	60 (RP) – 80 (BP) mmag	

<http://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/gaia/science-performance>



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One year into science observations

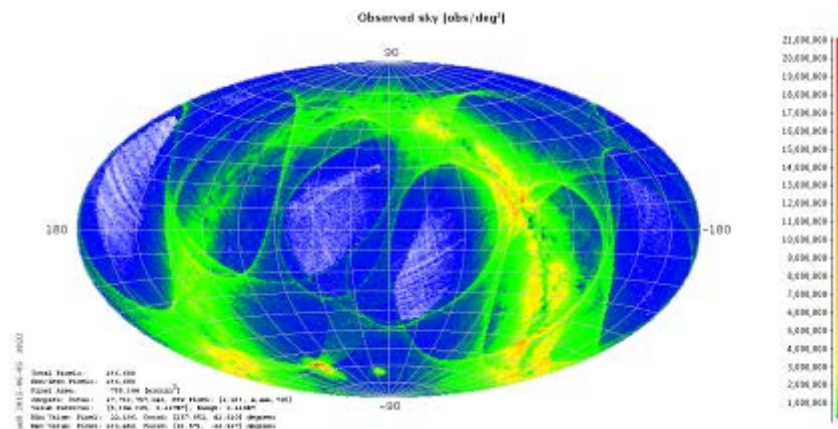
In 5-year nominal science operations phase since July 18 2014

Data collection stats:

- 272 billion astrometric measurements
- 54:4 billion photometric (BP/RP) measurements
- 5:4 billion RVS spectra

Survey limits

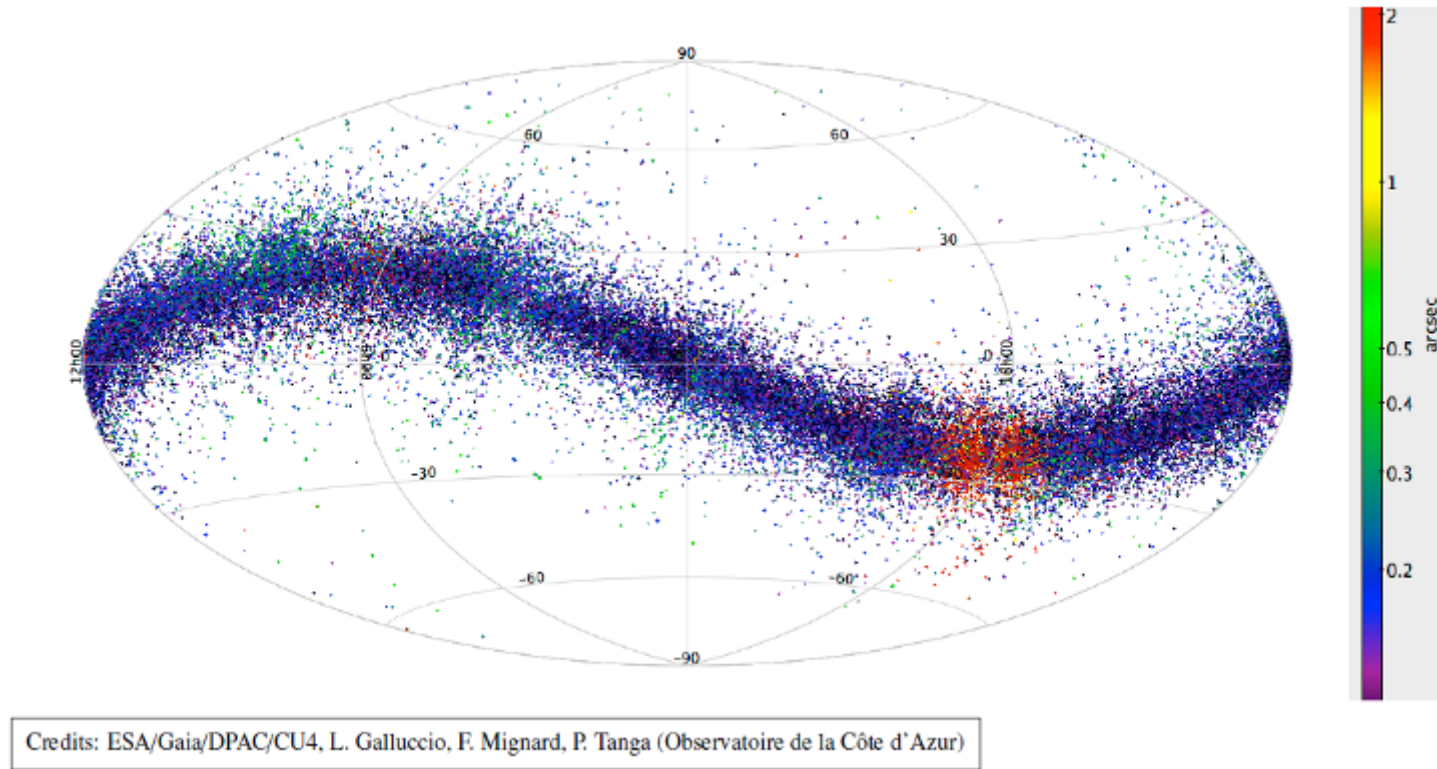
- Astrometry and photometry for $2 < G < 20.7$ mag
- Stars brighter than $G = 3$ captured with Sky Mapper imaging
- Spectra up to $GRVS = 16.2$ (and $G > 2$ mag)



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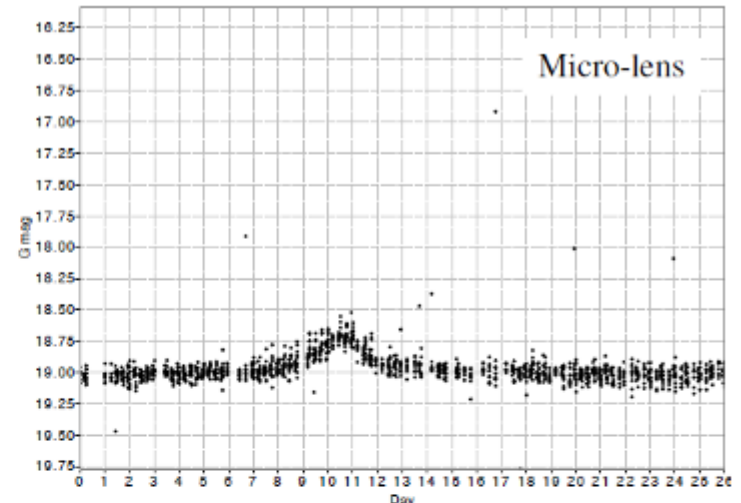
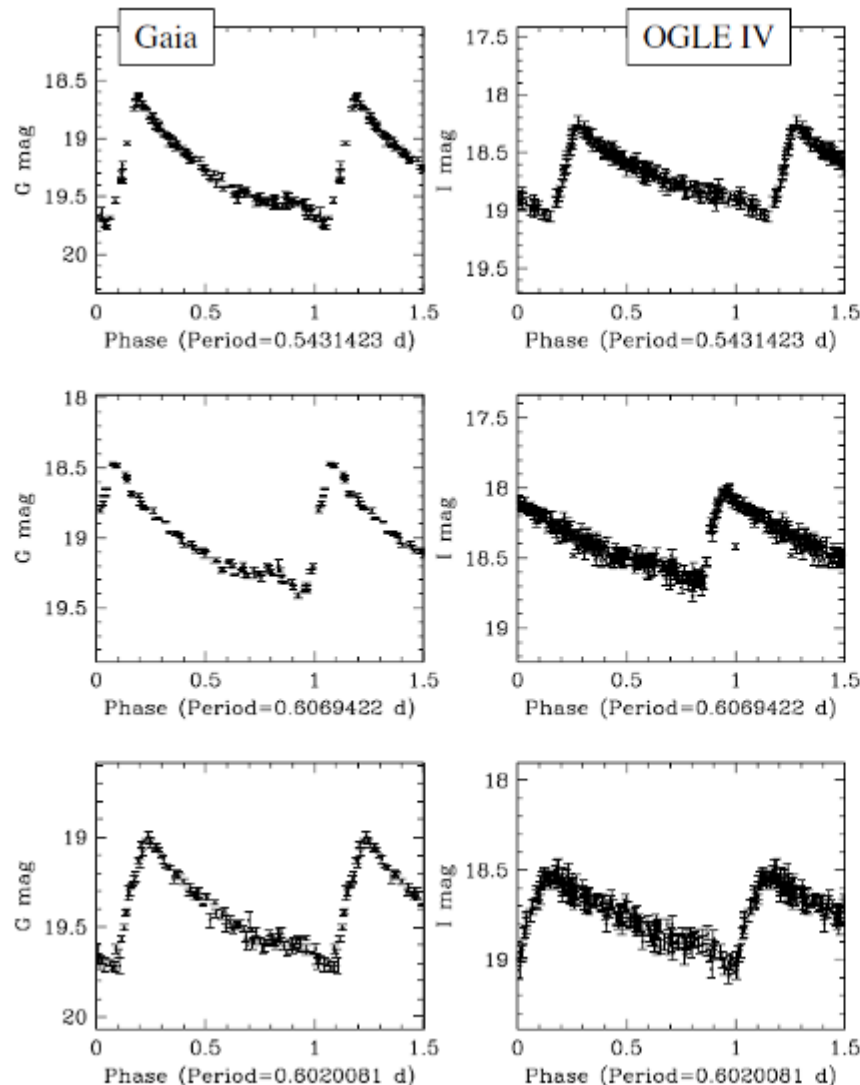
Solar System Objects



Test of asteroid detection chain on 50 000 known asteroids

- 90% completeness
- colour coding shows error relative to predicted position (with larger errors towards Galactic centre region)

Variable stars



Credits: ESA/Gaia/DPAC/Dafydd Wyn Evans and Marco Riello

Illustration of photometric data quality: 4 weeks of Gaia data with preliminary calibrations compared to OGLE IV

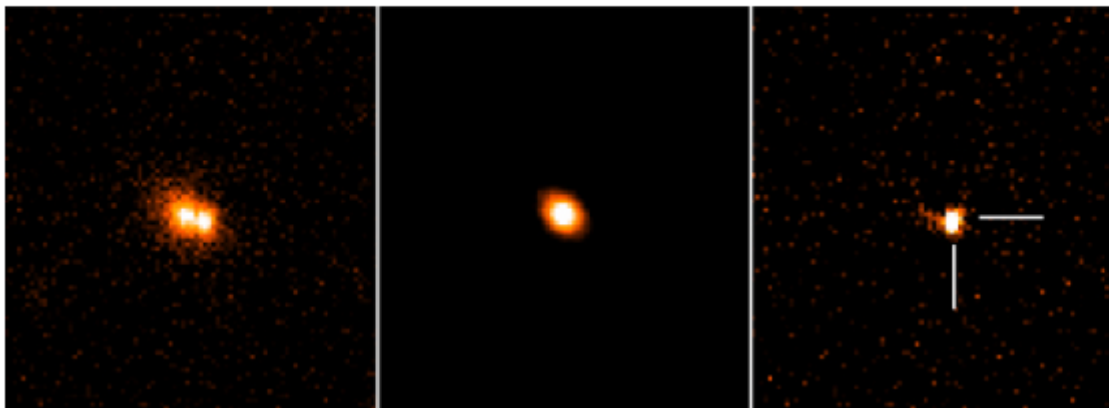
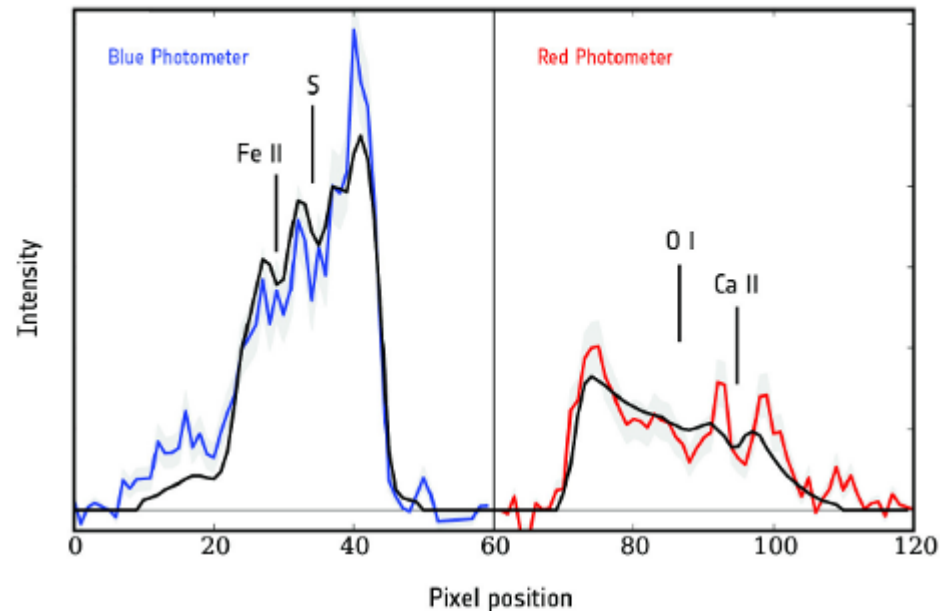
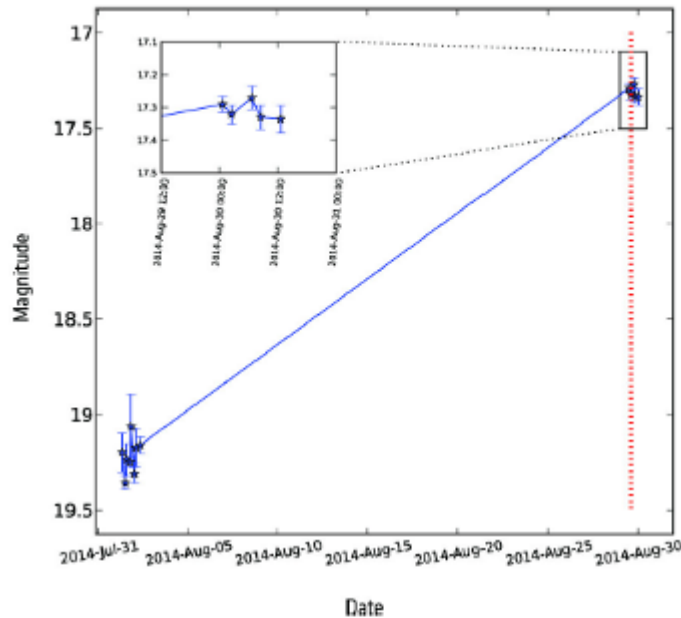
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Science Alerts: first supernova discovery



Credits: M. Fraser/ S. Hodgkin/
Ł. Wyrzykowski/ H. Campbell/
N. Blagorodnova/ Z. Kostrzewa-Rutkowska/
Liverpool Telescope/ SDSS/ ESA/ Gaia/ DPAC

Preliminary RVS performance assessment

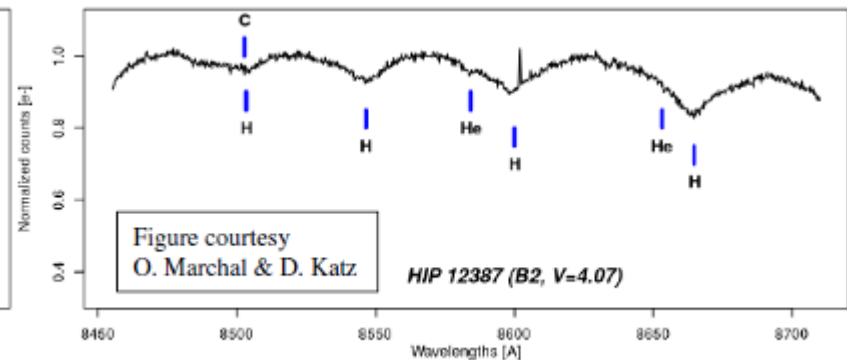
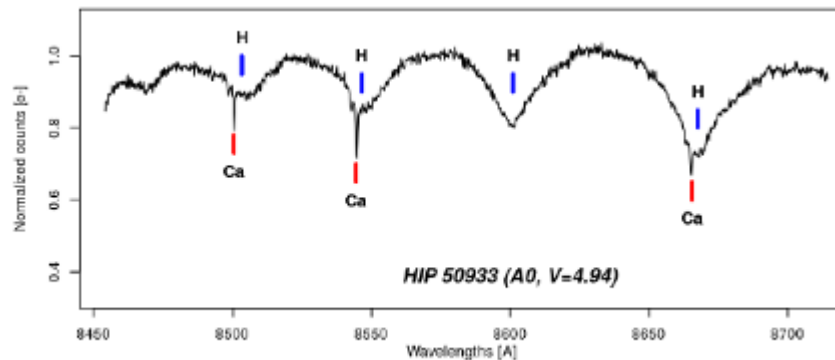
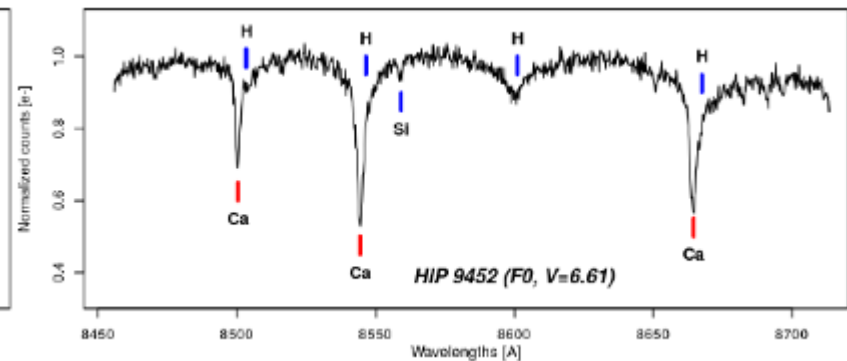
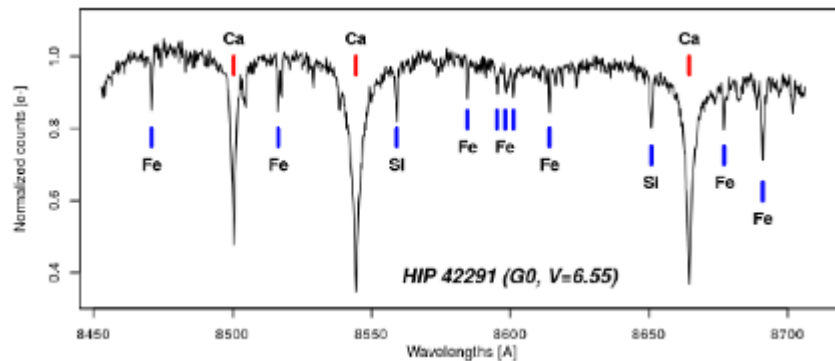
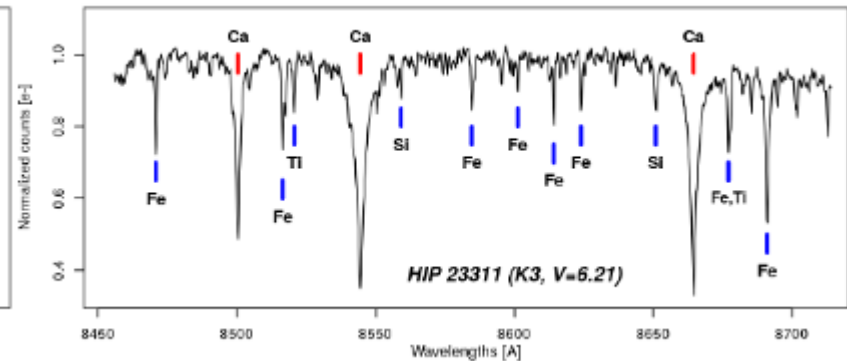
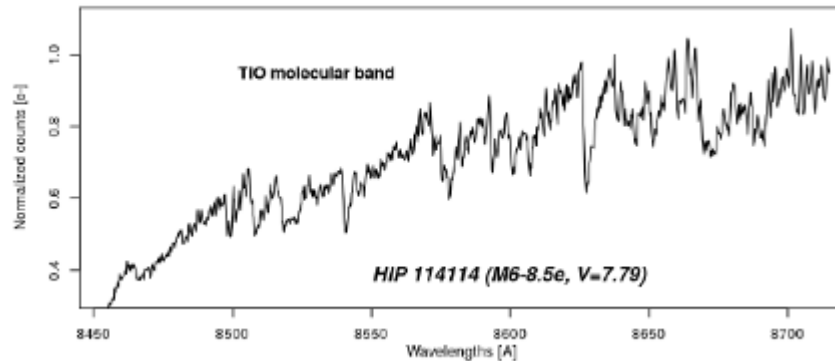
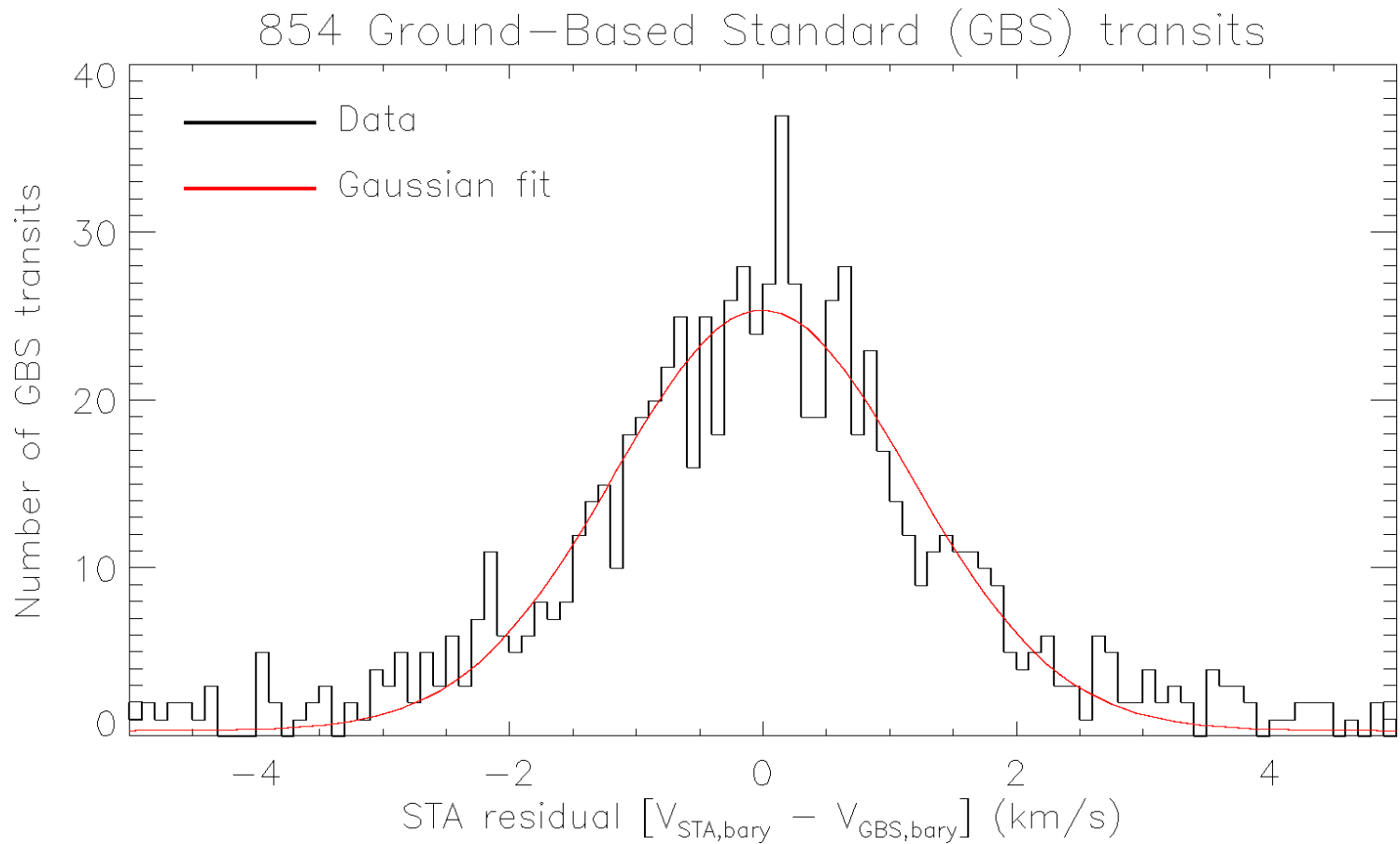


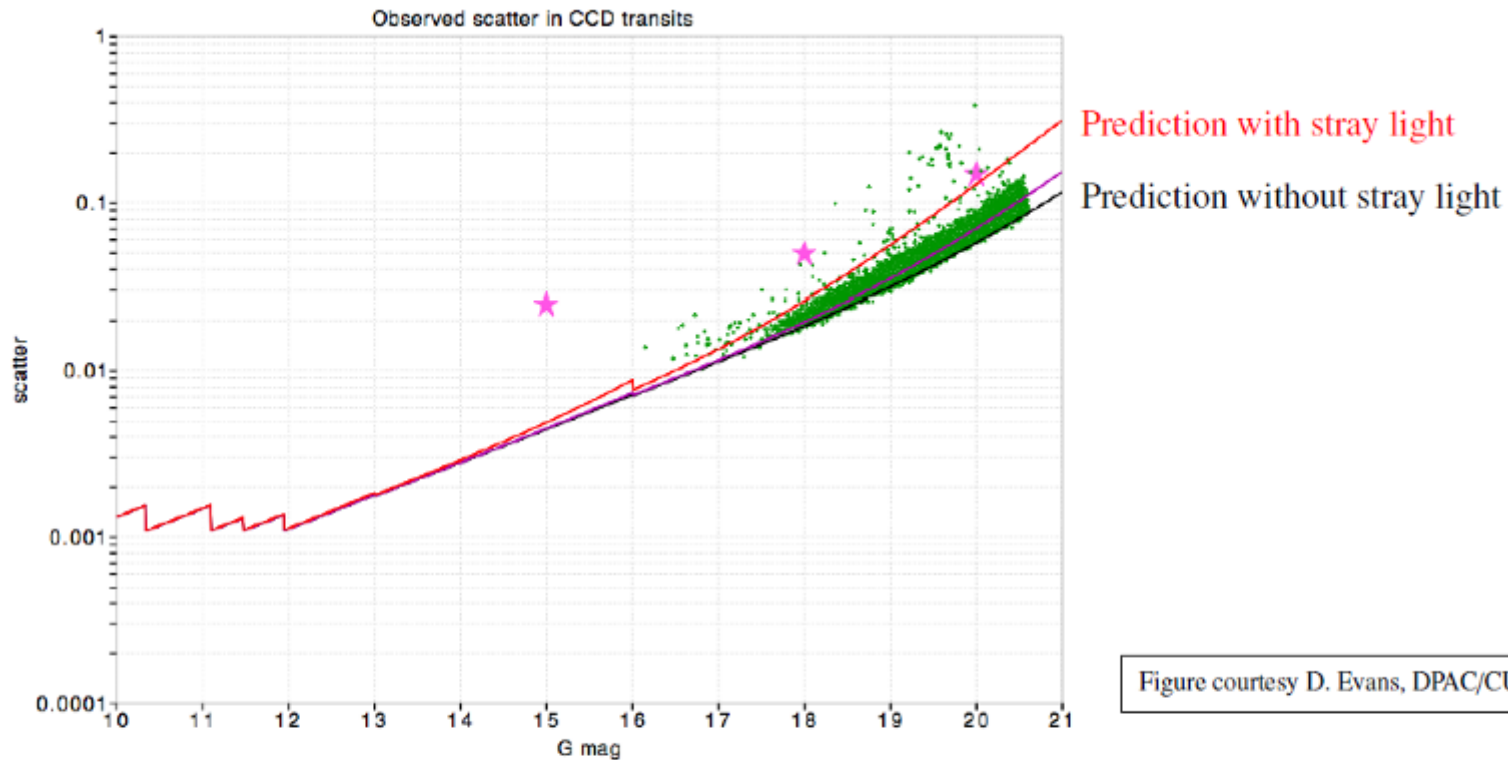
Figure courtesy
O. Marchal & D. Katz



Bright end performance assessed by comparing RVS velocities to the known values for ground based standards

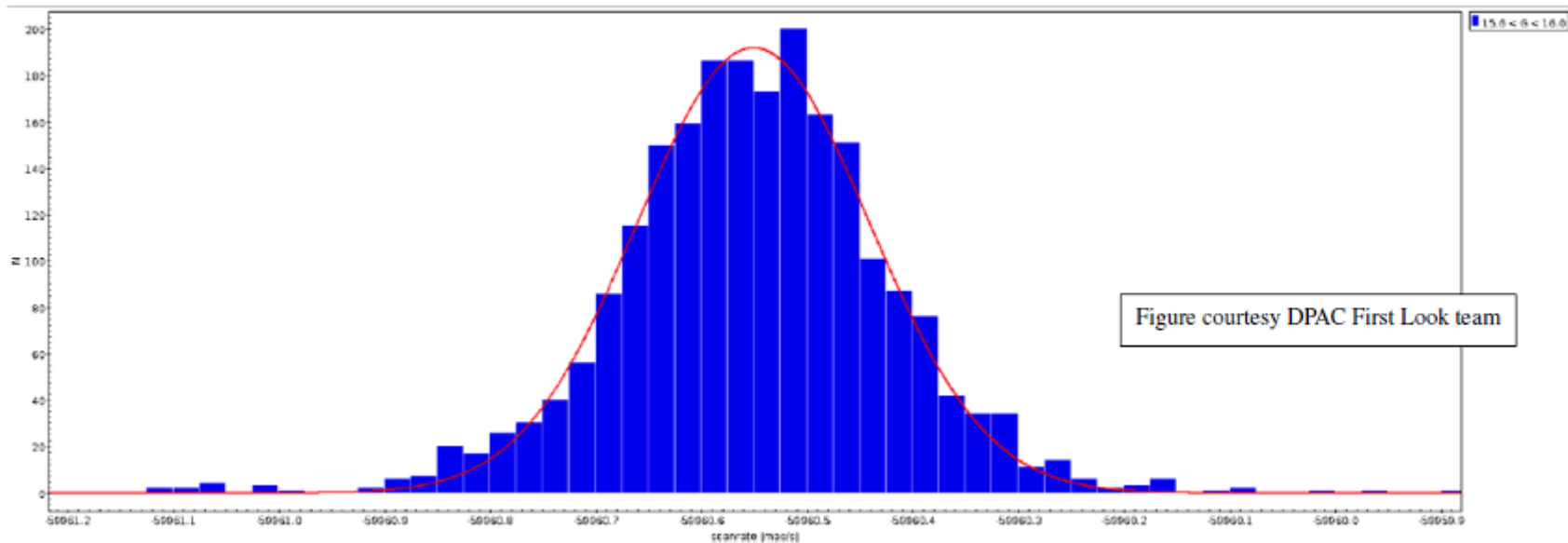
RVS values refer to single transits

Preliminary photometric performance assessment



- Precision estimated from scatter of CCD transits of constant sources
- Lines: predictions from Jordi et al. 2010 methodology
 - ▶ Different stray light levels accounted for
- Quoted performances (magenta stars) from Gaia webpage are high
- End of mission equivalent for the mean photometry will be 25× smaller than CCD transit level accuracies
 - ▶ Limited by a calibration floor
- Early results — not all calibrations applied yet

Astrometry one year into the mission



- First runs of core astrometric solution (AGIS) completed
- Early indication of performance; analysis of CCD-to-CCD transit time differences (figure above) point to single CCD measurement precision of 0.38 mas at $G = 15.8$
 - ▶ 17 per cent above target
- Caveats at this stage
 - ▶ poor PSF calibrations, no source colours
 - ▶ imperfect stray light corrections

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TGAS (Tycho-Gaia Astrometric Solution): lifting the degeneracy

- Data used: ~ 275 days over 10 months
- 2 201 246 sources
 - ▶ Hipparcos: 99 070
 - ▶ Tycho-2 only: 2 102 176
- No. of CCD observations: 227 219 102 (most both AL and AC)
- Hipparcos proper motions and positions and Tycho-2 positions as priors
- *No Hipparcos parallaxes used*
- Empirical corrections for basic angle variations

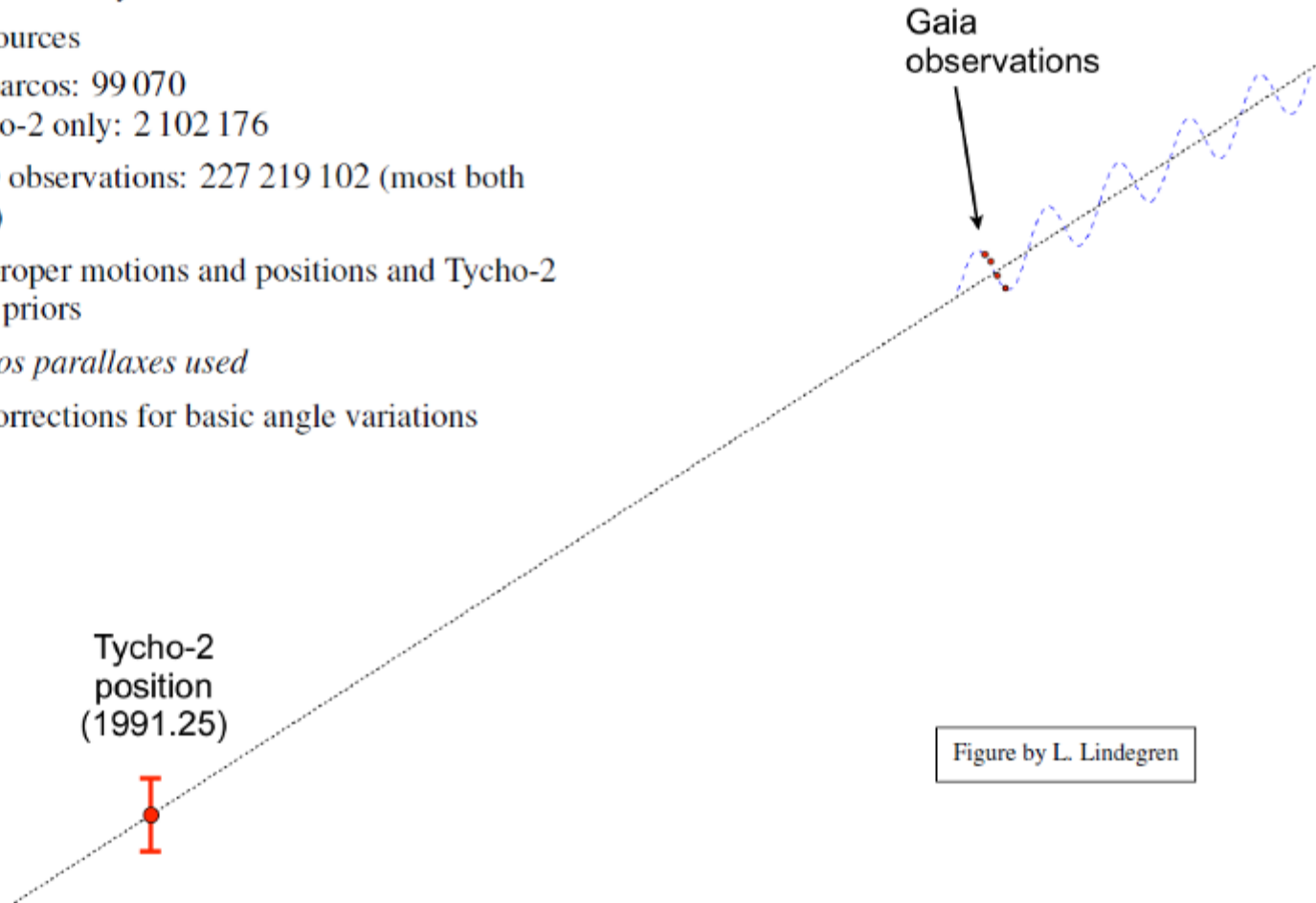
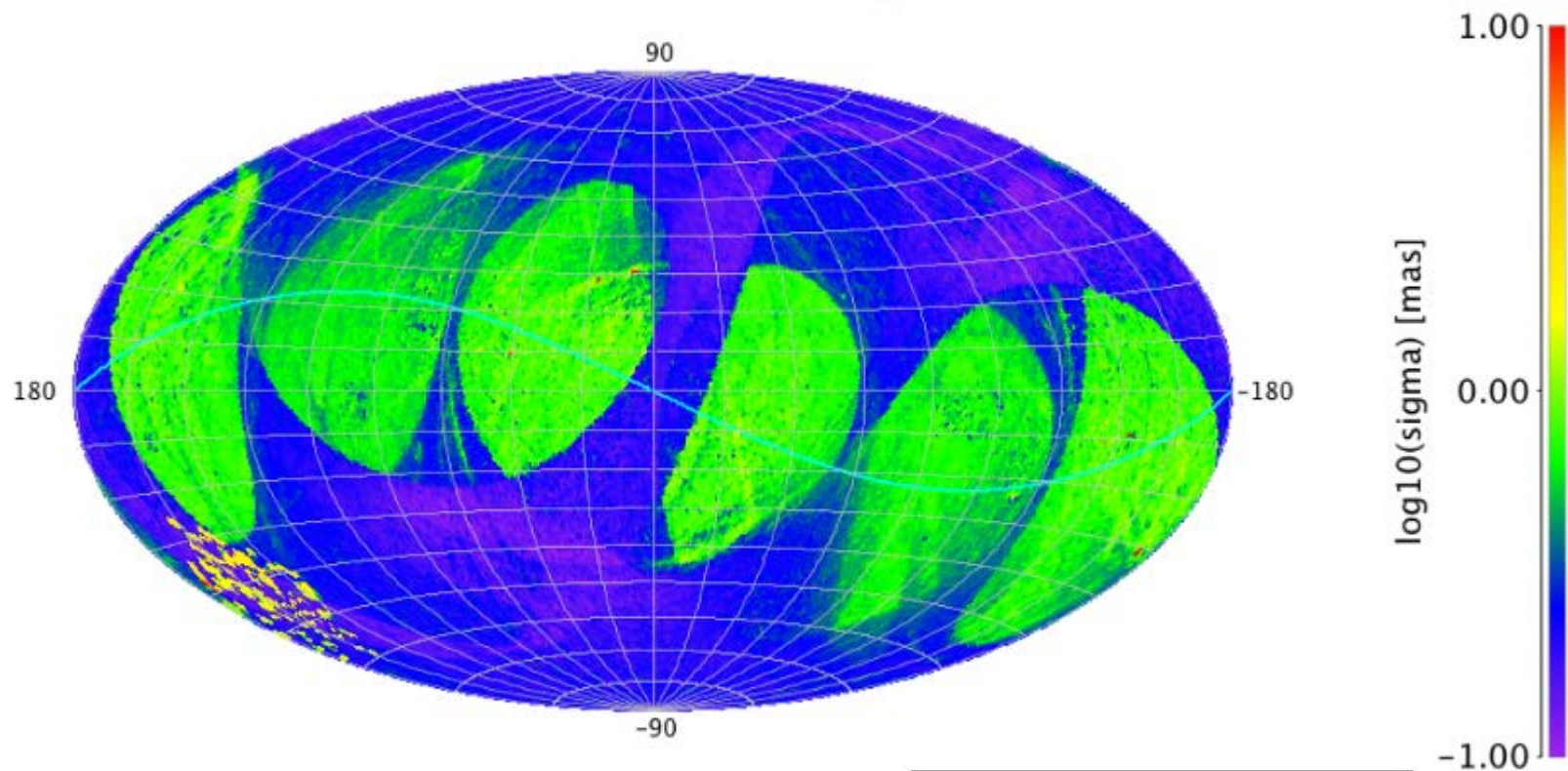


Figure by L. Lindegren

Parallax formal standard uncertainties

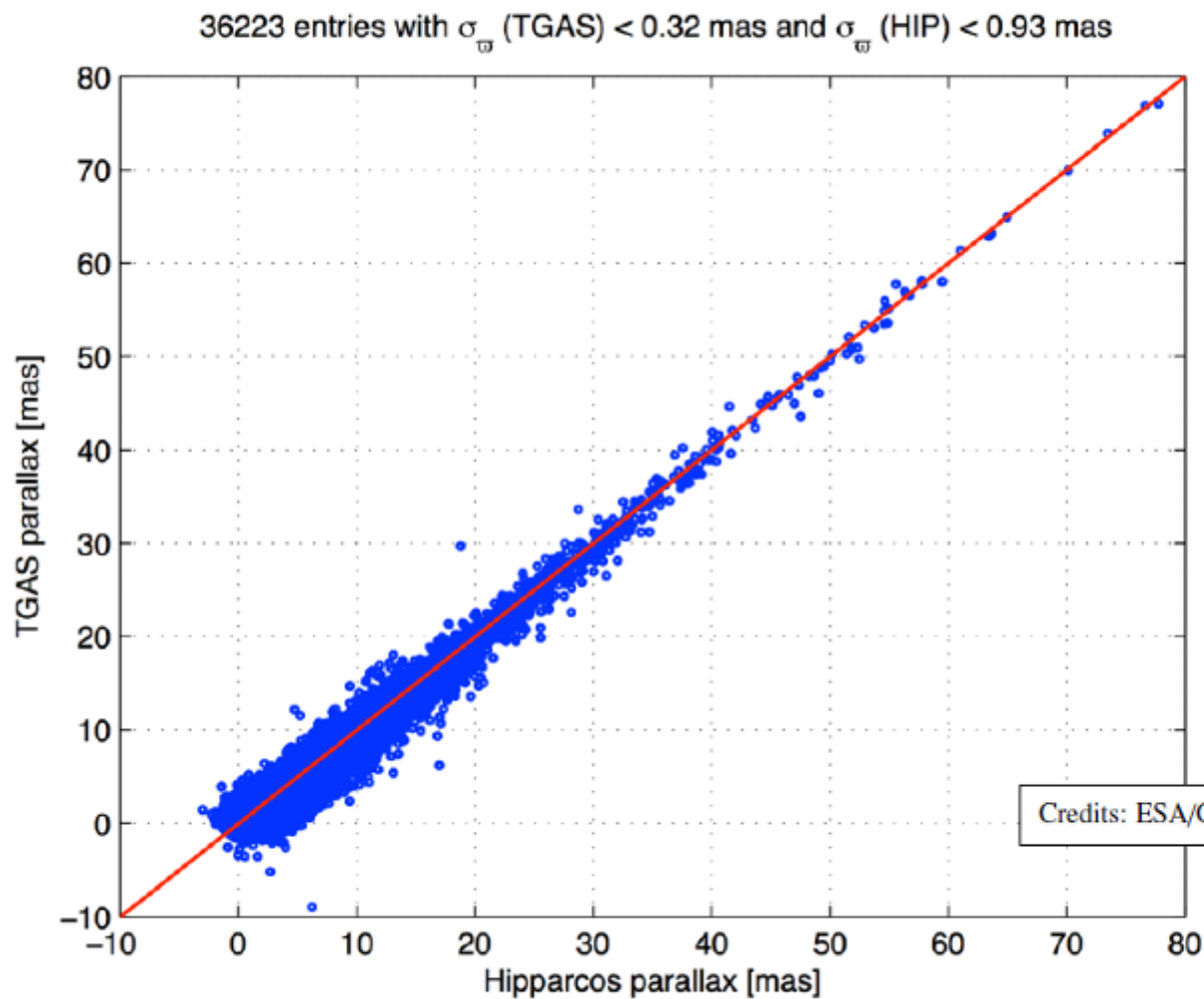
TGAS median parallax sigma (BAC)



Credits: ESA/Gaia/DPAC/IDT/FL/DPCE/AGIS

Parallax distributions (negative tails) shows that σ_{ϖ} values are meaningful but require empirical adjustment.

ϖ_{TGAS} VS. ϖ_{HIP}



NOTE: TGAS parallaxes are independent of HIP parallaxes!



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Initial data release schedule

- **First release:** launch + 22 months (~90% of the sky)
- **Second release:** launch + 28 months (~90% of the sky)
- **Third release:** launch + 40 months
- **Fourth lease:** launch + 65 months
- **Final release:** end of mission + 3 years (2022-2023)



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Updated data release scenario

- **Based on assumption of smooth development and operations!**
- **Each release updates the previous and contains significant new additions**
- **Science alerts started already**

Mid-2016 Positions + G magnitude (all sky, single stars)

- Includes more often scanned Ecliptic pole regions
- Hundred Thousand Proper Motions (Hipparcos-Gaia, 50 as/yr)

Early 2017 radial velocities for bright stars, two-band photometry, and full astrometry ($\alpha\delta\pi\mu_\alpha\mu_\delta$) where available.

2017/2018 (TBC) full astrometry, orbital solutions for short period binaries, (GBP - GRP), BP/RP Spectrophotometry and astrophysical parameters , radial velocities, RVS spectra

2018/2019 (TBC) Updates on previous release— including more sources, source classifications, multiple astrophysical parameters, variable star solutions and epoch photometry for them, solar system results

2022 (TBC) Everything



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