

Gaia Data Release 3

Known issues y como tratarlos



Claus Fabricius IEEC-ICCUB

Brought to you by
the
Gaia Collaboration

Airbus Space

ESA/Gaia/DPAC

A considerable dataset

+ Reference frame	3 tables
+ Science alerts	2 tables
+ Cross match	33 tables
+ Astrophysical parameters	6 tables + 2 datalink
+ Performance verification	9 tables
+ Auxiliary	1 table
+  gaiadr3.gaia_source	1 table
+  gaiadr3.gaia_source_lite	1 table
+ Simulation	2 tables
+ Extra-galactic	4 tables
+ Non-single stars	4 tables
+ Solar system	3 tables
+ Spectroscopy	1 table + 3 datalink
+ Variability	17 tables + 1 datalink

- DR3 is huge
 - Many tables/columns/rows
 - 10 TB of data
- Is it perfect ?



What is Paradise without a snake?

Known Issues



Known issues page: <https://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/gaia/dr3-known-issues>

DR3 validation paper:

Gaia DR3 – Catalogue validation

C. Babusiaux^{1,2}, C. Fabricius³, S. Khanna⁴, T. Muraveva⁵, C. Reylé⁶, F. Spoto⁸, A. Vallenari⁹, X. Luri¹⁰,
F. Arenou², M.A. Álvarez¹⁰, F. Anders³, T. Antoja³, E. Balbinot⁴, C. Barache¹¹, N. Bauchet¹², D. Bossini¹²,
D. Busonero¹³, T. Cantat-Gaudin^{13,19}, J. M. Carrasco¹³, C. Dafonte¹⁰, S. Diakité⁷, F. Figueras³,
A. Garcia-Gutierrez³, A. Garofalo⁵, A. Helmi⁴, Ó. Jiménez-Arranz³, C. Jordi³, P. Kervella¹⁴, Z.
Kostrzewa-Rutkowska^{15,16}, N. Leclerc², E. Licata¹³, M. Manteiga¹⁷, A. Masip³, M. Monguió³, P. Ramos¹⁸,
N. Robichon², A. C. Robin⁶, M. Romero-Gómez³, A. Sáez³, R. Santoveña¹¹, L. Spina⁹, G. Torralba Elipse¹⁰,
M. Weiler³

Specialized DR3 papers: <https://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/gaia/dr3-papers>

DR3 on-line documentation:

<https://gea.esac.esa.int/archive/documentation/GDR3/index.html>

KNOWN ISSUES WITH THE GAIA DR3 DATA

This page lists any issues found in Gaia Data Release 3 which could not be incorporated into the official data release, or which were discovered after the release of the data and publication of the release documentation. The [Gaia DR3 contents](#) page contains a summary of limitations that are known, and documented, at the release. Further information can be found from the [data release documentation](#), as well as from the [data release overview paper](#) and the [data release processing papers](#).

- [QSO: QSO CANDIDATES WITH MISSING CATALOGUES NAMES](#)
- [SSO: NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS FOR SOLAR SYSTEM OBJECTS](#)
- [ASTROPHYSICAL PARAMETERS: MISSING BOLOMETRIC CORRECTION FOR SOME SOURCES](#)
- [SMALL SET OF GSPSPEC RESULTS OUT OF VALIDITY RANGES AND WITH WRONG EXTRAPOLATION FLAG](#)

Some of the known issues applicable to Gaia's Early Data Release 3 are also affecting the full Gaia Data Release 3. Check each known issue for its applicability to Gaia DR3.

- [GAIA EDR3 KNOWN ISSUES](#)

QSO CANDIDATES WITH MISSING CATALOGUES NAMES

The [surface brightness sample](#) published in the [qso_candidates](#) is based on an input list of sources described in [Section 9.2](#) of the on-line documentation. This list was built based on external catalogues and the table [qso_catalogue_name](#) provides the names of the applicable catalogues for each of the sources featuring surface brightness parameters in [qso_candidates](#). Due to an oversight during the processing, the catalogue name is missing for 494 sources. In [this file](#), the list of affected sourceids is provided.

Published: 13 June 2022

NUMBER OF OBSERVATIONS OF SOLAR SYSTEM OBJECTS

The number of observations (num_of_obs) in the sso_source table contains a wrong value in 4 cases, with the correct number being present in the sso_observation table:

- sourceid -4284051496, corresponding to number_mp (91580), has 317 num_of_obs in the sso_source table, but 310 entries in the sso_observation table;
- sourceid -4283766166, corresponding to number_mp (120113), has 74 num_of_obs in the sso_source table, but 69 entries in the sso_observation table;
- sourceid -4281797236, corresponding to number_mp (317006), has 64 num_of_obs in the sso_source table, but 63 entries in the sso_observation table;
- sourceid -4283795346, corresponding to number_mp (117195), has 76 num_of_obs in the sso_source table, but 75 entries in the sso_observation_table.

For more information see the 'Gaia Data Release 3: Catalogue Validation' paper and the [Validation chapter of the Gaia data release documentation](#).

Published: 13 June 2022

ASTROPHYSICAL PARAMETERS: MISSING BOLOMETRIC CORRECTION FOR SOME SOURCES

Upon validation of the data, a minor processing bug was discovered in the FLAME software which resulted in a list of 153,474 sources that have valid FLAME parameters but for which the associated field bc_flame is set to null. The user can recover these values by using the [bolometric correction function](#) which is provided as part of the astrophysical parameter tool which is available on the [Gaia DR3 software tools webpage](#). For more information, see [Creevey et al. \(2022\)](#).

Published: 13 June 2022

SMALL SET OF GSPSPEC RESULTS OUT OF VALIDITY RANGES AND WITH WRONG EXTRAPOLATION FLAG

The flags_gspspec chain includes a specific character named "extrapol" (c.f. Table 2 in [Recio-Blanco et al. 2022](#)) that controls the extrapolation label of the GSPspec parametrization. A bug in the implementation of this "extrapol" flag has left 251 sources with at least one extrapolated parameter a values outside the corresponding validity ranges. The list of Gaia DR3 identifiers of these sources is in [the attached file](#).

Published: 13 June 2022



- Sources are generally assumed to be isolated and point-like
 - ▶ Not a bad approximation
 - ▶ This may introduce biases and spurious results
 - ▶ Blending and contamination may be known, but without any mitigation in place (yet)
 - e.g. BP & RP spectra and photometry
 - ▶ There are many duplicity/crowding indicators
- Estimated uncertainties are often a bit optimistic
- Gaia pipelines
 - ▶ Some are driven by purity, but then completeness is lower
 - ▶ Some are driven by completeness, but then purity is lower

Astrometry and photometry



- Astrometry

- ▶ Identical to EDR3

- same issue with parallax
 - same issue with proper motions for bright sources

- Photometry

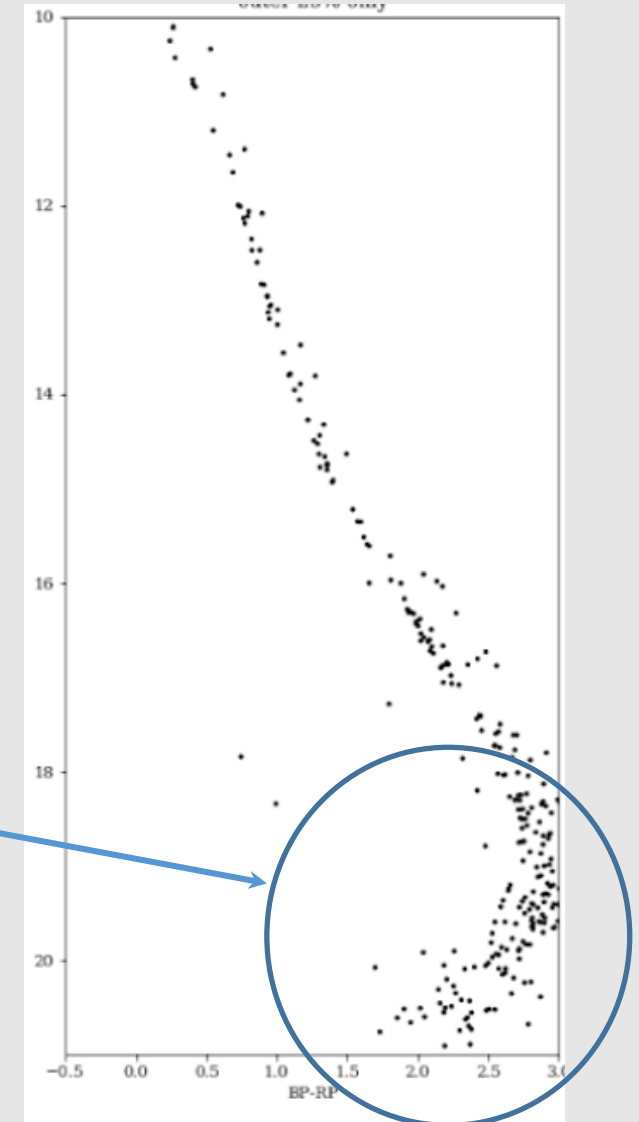
- ▶ G: small correction for 2p and 6p sources **is now included**

- ▶ G_{BP} & G_{RP} unchanged

- same, strong bias for faint G_{BP}
 - use $G - G_{RP}$ if possible

- ▶ G_{RVS} added (845-872 nm)

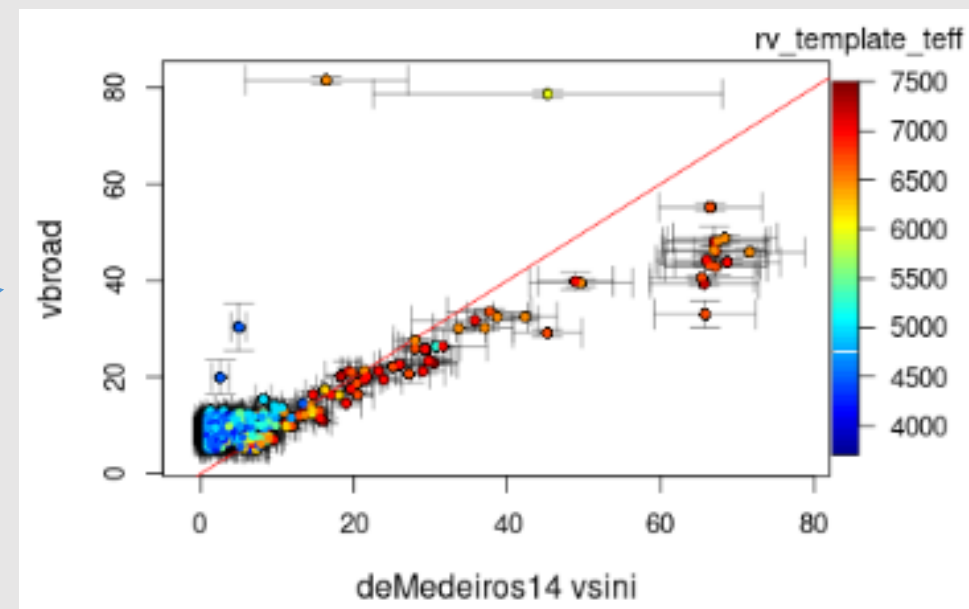
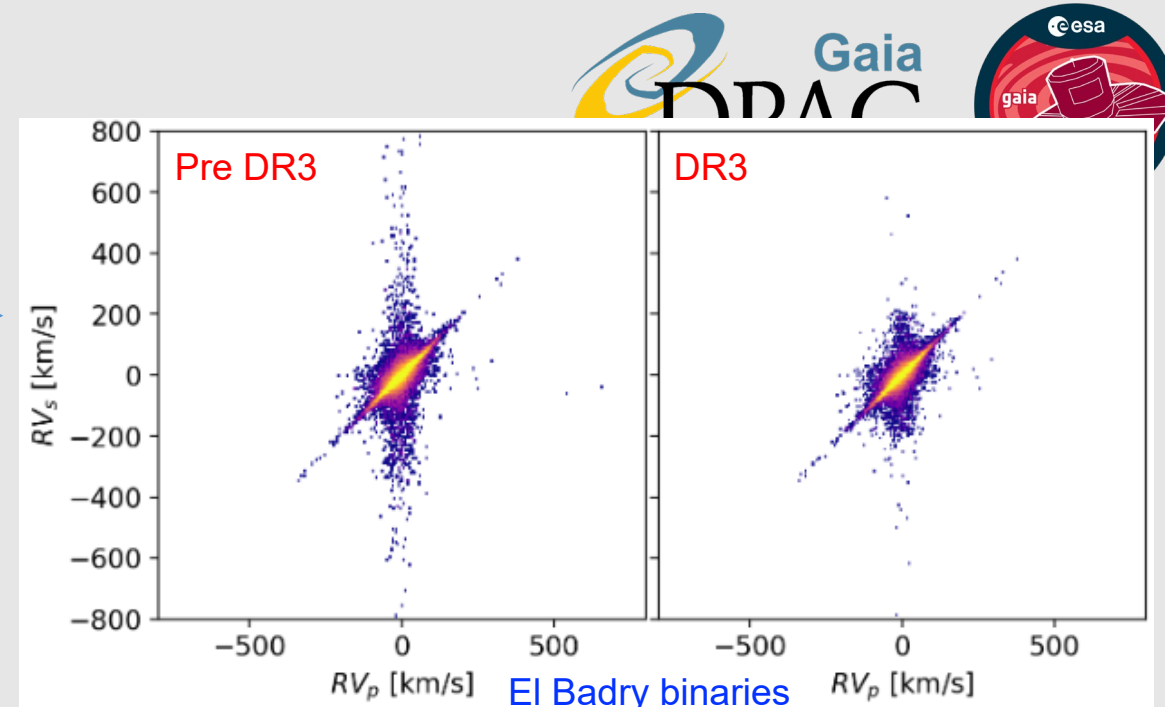
- 32.2 M



Radial velocities

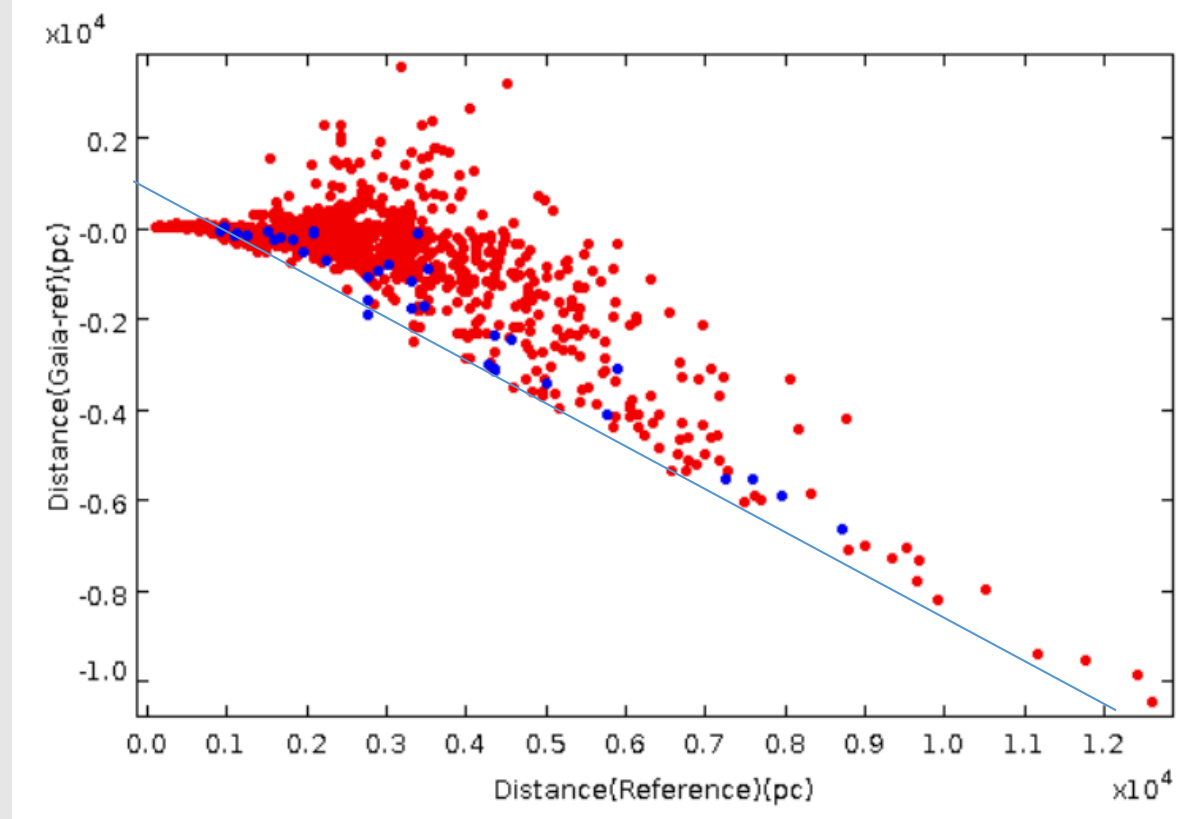
- Now RV for 33.8 M sources
 - Close neighbours can be an issue
 - σ_{RV} in need of correction
 - see validation paper
- mag
- small correction to RV for Grvs > 11
- see Katz et al 2022
- small correction to RV for hot stars
- see Blomme et al 2022

- V_{broad} for 3.5 M sources
 - ▶ Low values are overestimated
 - ▶ High values underestimated



Distances

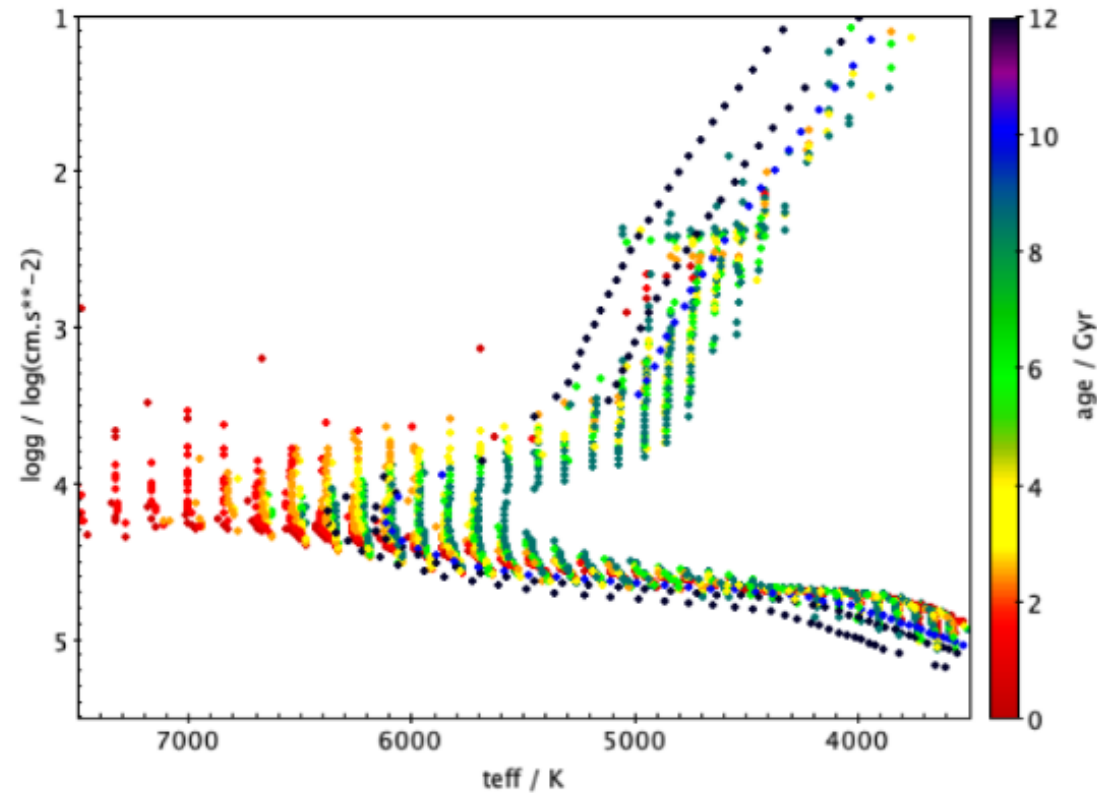
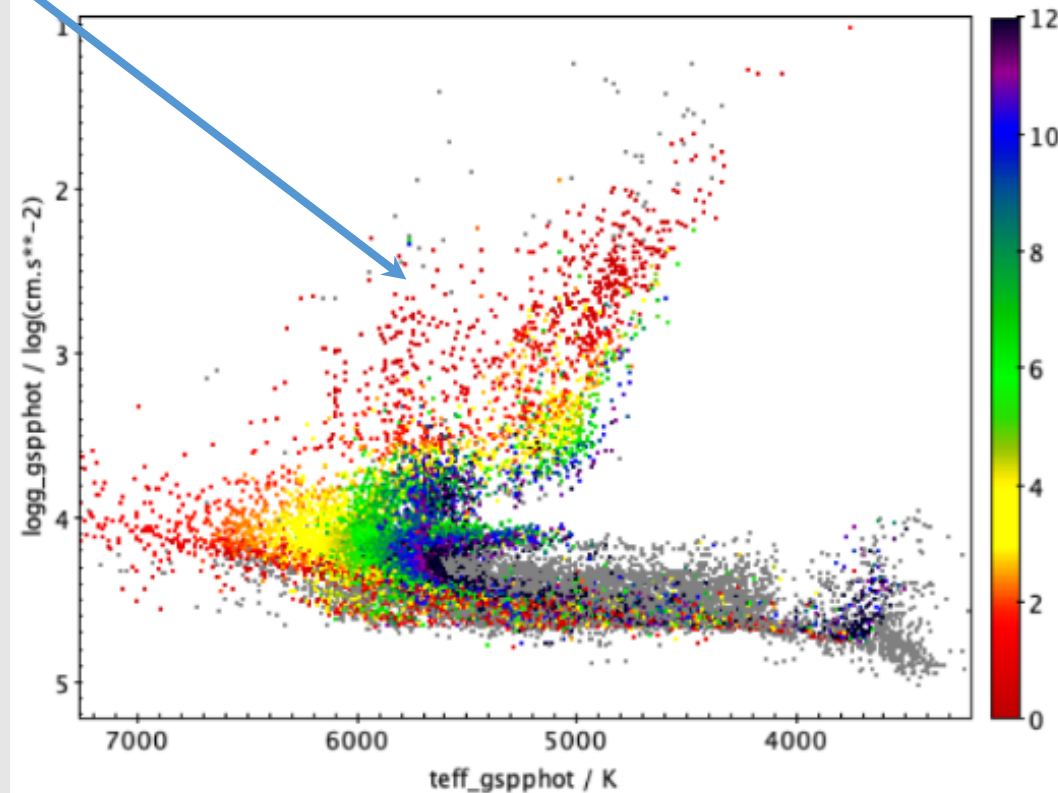
Distances beyond a few kpc are strongly underestimated



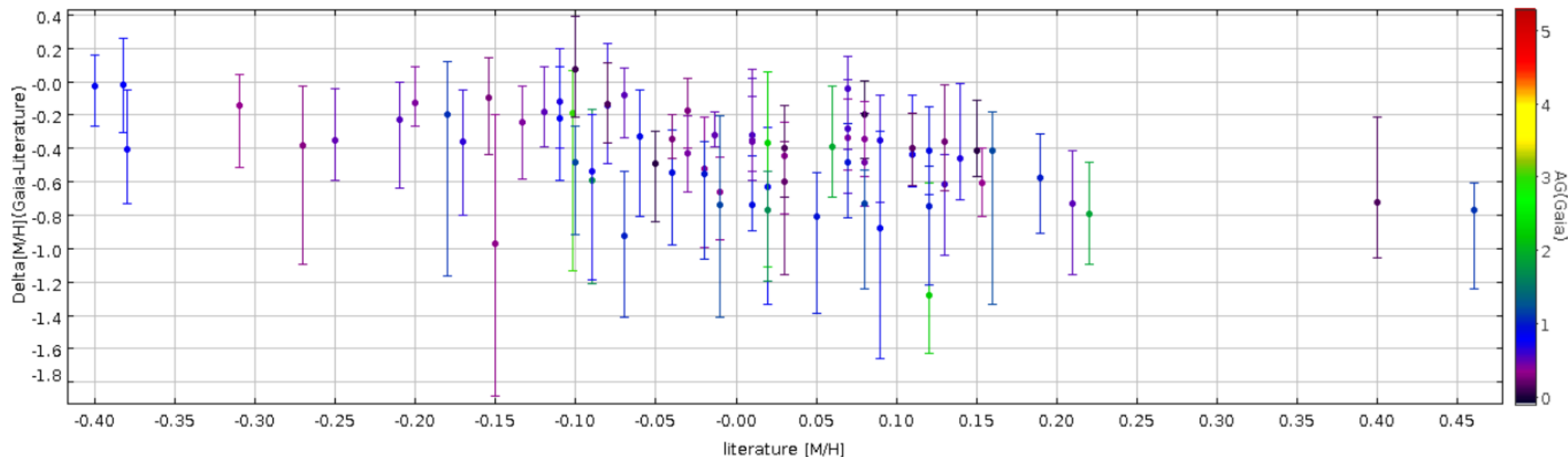
Unexpected population of young giants

DR3

GOG20



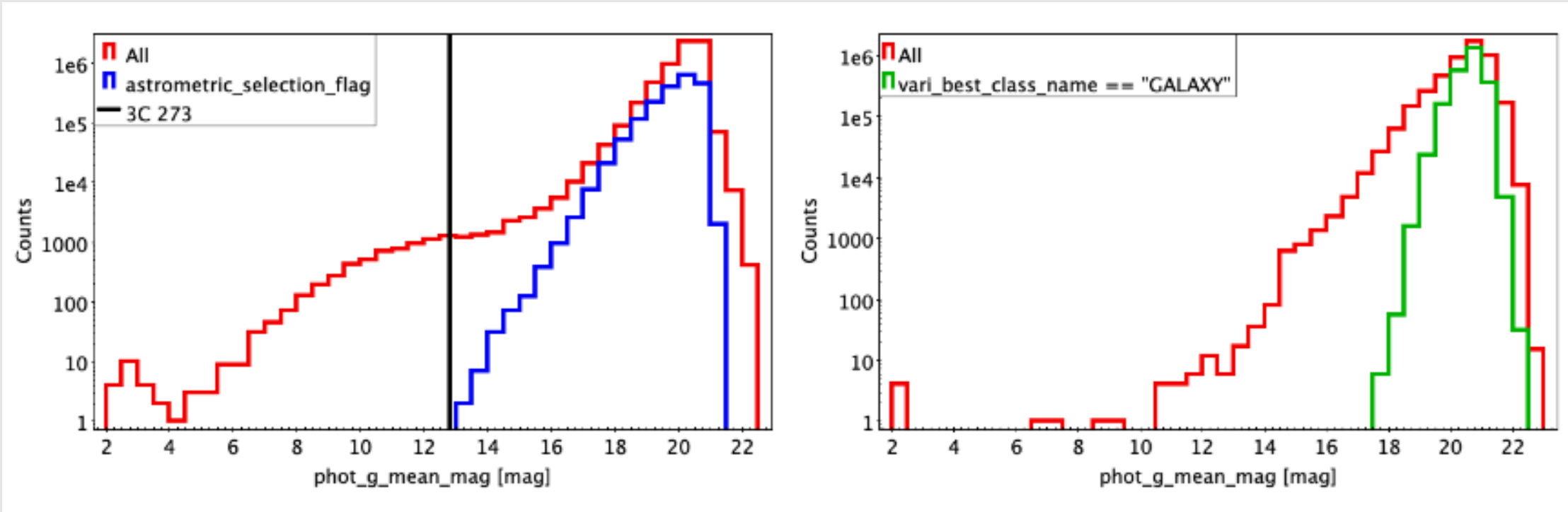
Metallicities for open clusters appear underestimated



Bright contamination of QSO/Galaxy candidates

QSO candidates

Galaxy candidates



- Many candidates have significant proper motion and parallax
- 40% of QSO candidates lie in the LMC/SMC

Flags allow you to make much cleaner selections

A photograph of a young child with blonde hair, wearing a dark blue long-sleeved shirt and green and white striped overalls. The child is reaching up with their right hand towards a cluster of ripe red apples hanging from a tree branch. The background shows green leaves and a brick building with a red roof under a clear sky.

¡Buen
provecho!