

Constraining the Milky Way thick disk formation: chemical characterization of the thick disk outside of the solar neighborhood

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THE QUESTION

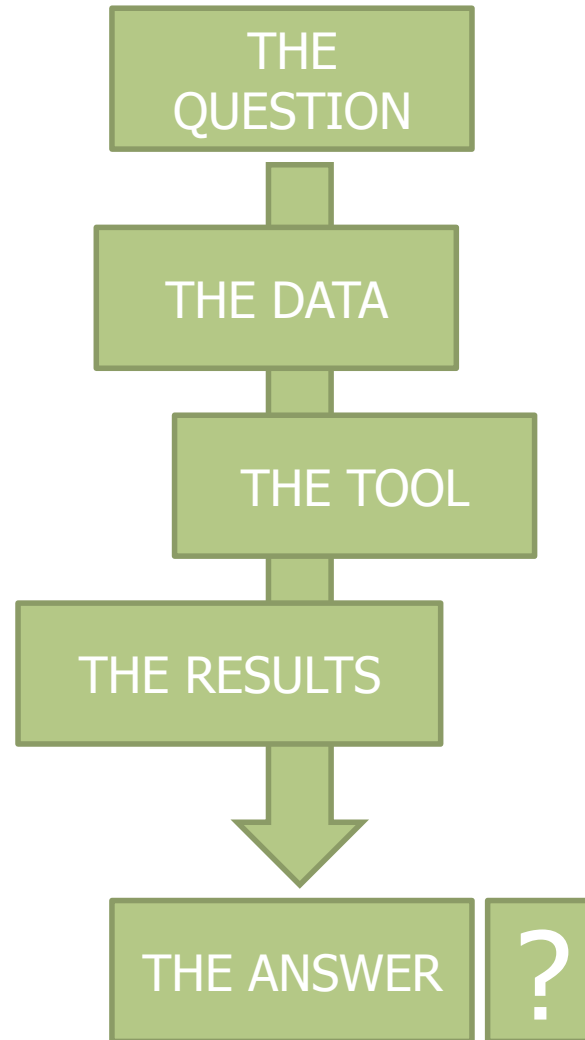
THE DATA

THE TOOL

THE RESULTS

THE ANSWER

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The question

- How was the thick disc formed?
 - heating by mergers
 - accretion of satellites
 - early, clumpy rapid star formation
 - migration etc...

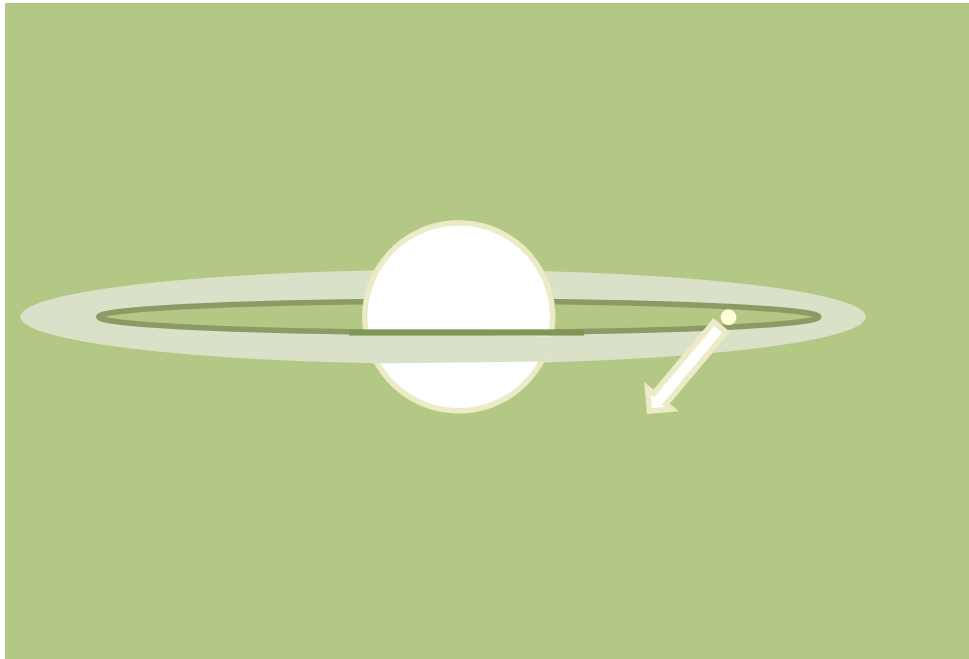


Chemical characterization of the Thick disc

Determine the elemental abundance of the Thick disc at high latitude: $Z > 1\text{kpc}$



The data

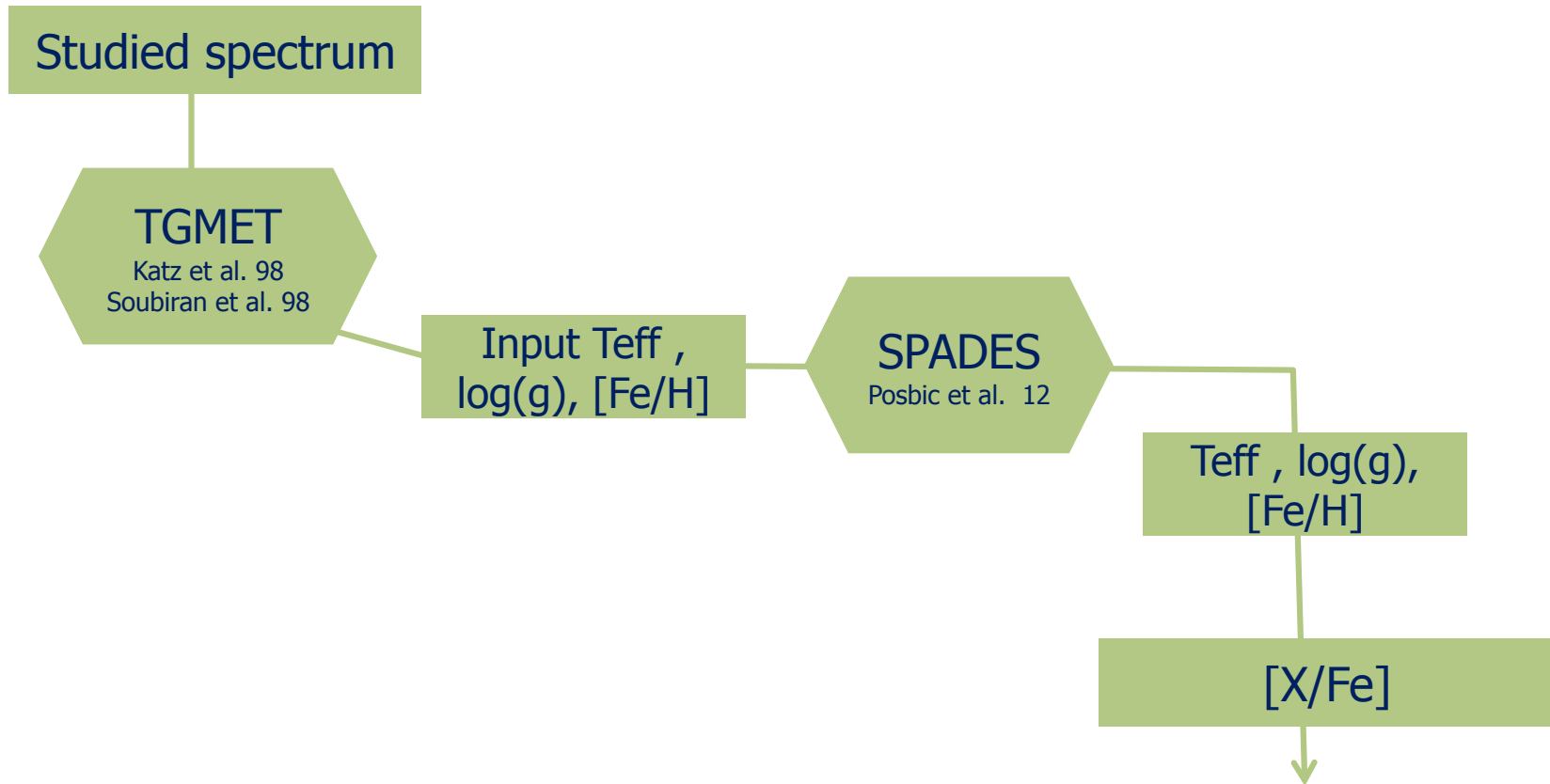


- Spectroscopic
- $l = 357^\circ$, $b = -39^\circ$
 - ~ 200 stars
 - Giraffe/VLT
- High resolution ($R \sim 25000$)
- High altitude:
reaching more than 1kpc
above the Galactic plane
- Mostly F and G stars
of the Thick Disk

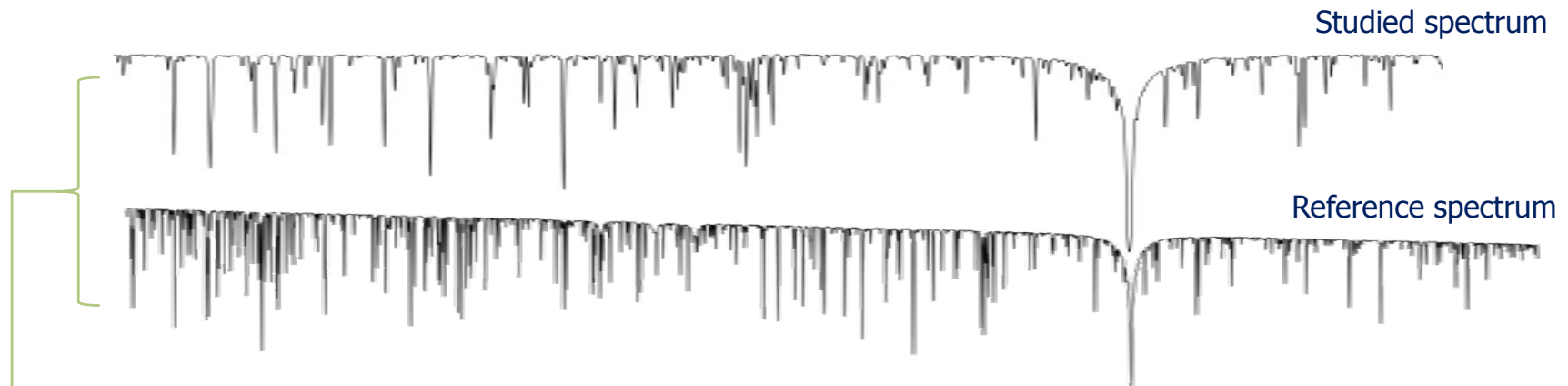


The software : general

- SPADES: a Stellar PArameters DEtermination Software

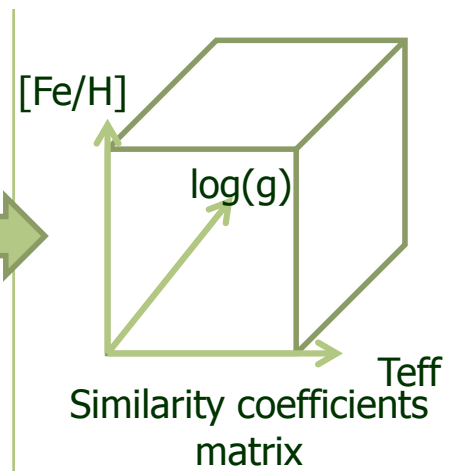


The software: TGMET



Similarity coefficient

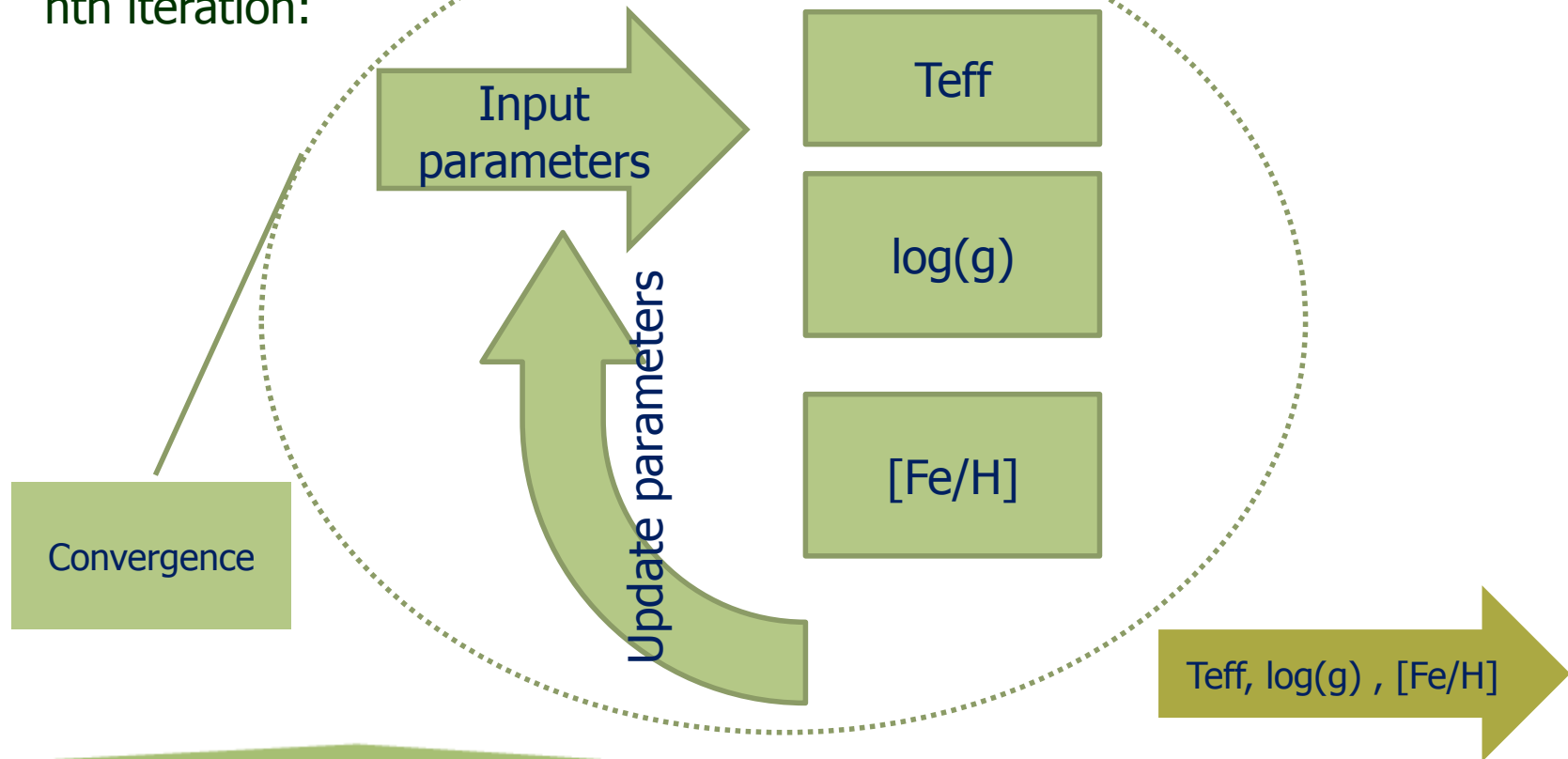
Loop over all reference grid spectra



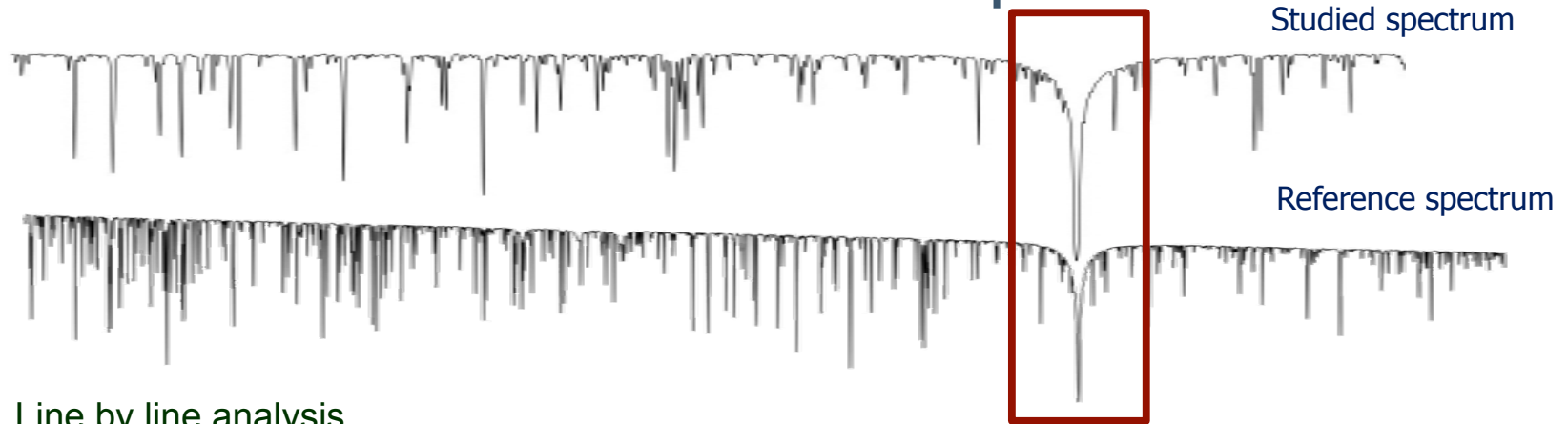
Minimize

SPADES : T_{eff} , $\log(g)$, $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$

nth iteration:



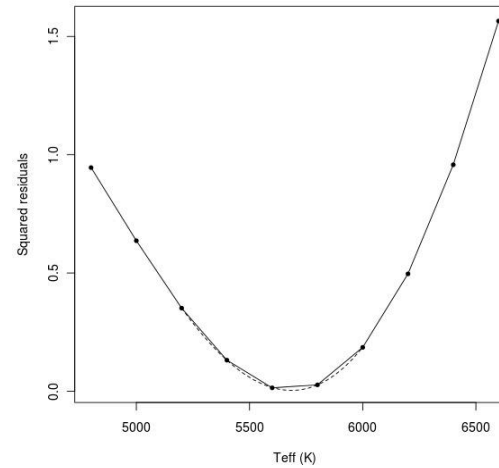
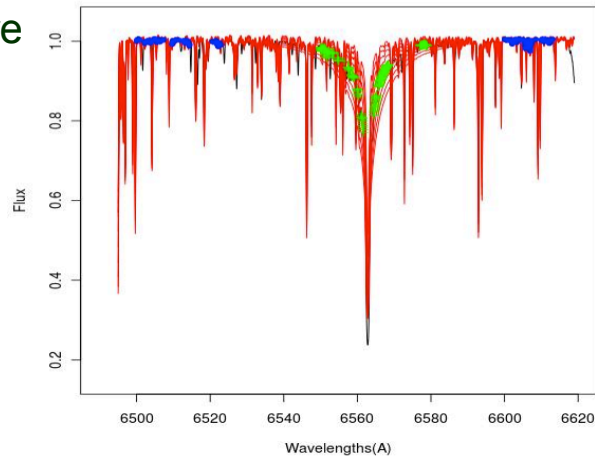
SPADES: an example



Line by line analysis

Example: determining the effective temperature using the H α line wings

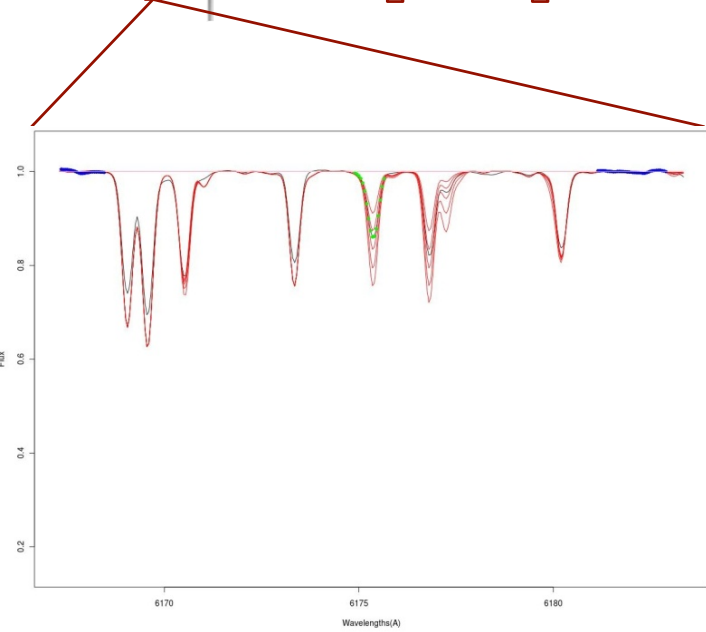
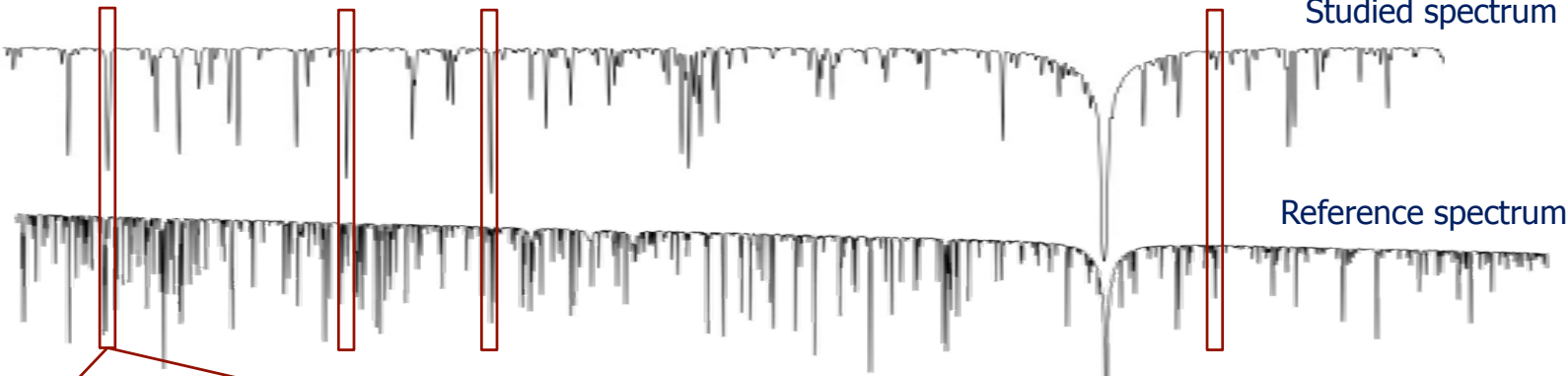
Measure



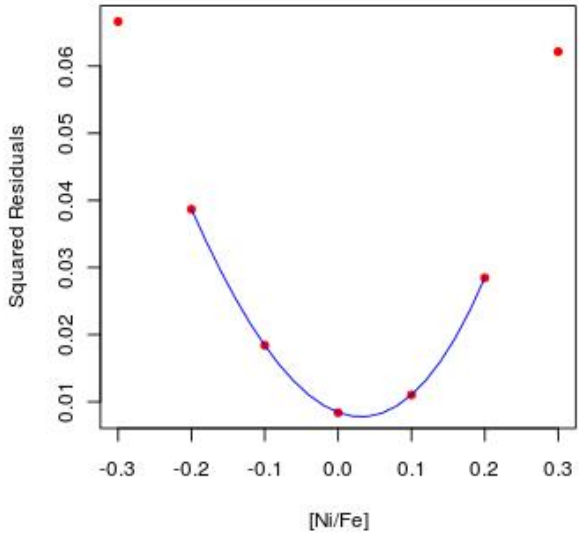
Diagnostic



SPADES : [X/Fe]



Ni abundance determination Function



SPADES performances:

200 synthetic spectra with $T_{\text{eff}} = 5800 \text{ K}$, $\log(g) = 4.5$, $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.0 \text{ dex}$,
 $[\text{Ti}/\text{Fe}] = 0.0 \text{ dex}$, $[\text{Ni}/\text{Fe}] = 0.0 \text{ dex}$.

		S/N=100	S/N=50	S/N=30
$\text{med}(T_{\text{eff } res})$	(K)	0	0	0
$\sigma T_{\text{eff } res}$	(K)	8	16	27
$\text{med}(\log g_{res})$		0.00	0.00	0.00
$\sigma \log g_{res}$		0.05	0.09	0.15
$\text{med}([\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{res})$	(dex)	0.002	-0.001	-0.003
$\sigma [\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{res}$	(dex)	0.009	0.020	0.030
$\text{med}([\text{Ti}/\text{Fe}]_{res})$	(dex)	0.004	0.005	0.005
$\sigma [\text{Ti}/\text{Fe}]_{res}$	(dex)	0.003	0.040	0.060
$\text{med}([\text{Ni}/\text{Fe}]_{res})$	(dex)	-0.004	0.002	0.010
$\sigma [\text{Ni}/\text{Fe}]_{res}$	(dex)	0.010	0.030	0.050

Sun

T_{eff} (K)	$\log g$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ (dex)	$[\text{Ti}/\text{Fe}]$ (dex)	$[\text{Ni}/\text{Fe}]$ (dex)
5689	4.46	-0.18	-0.06	0.04

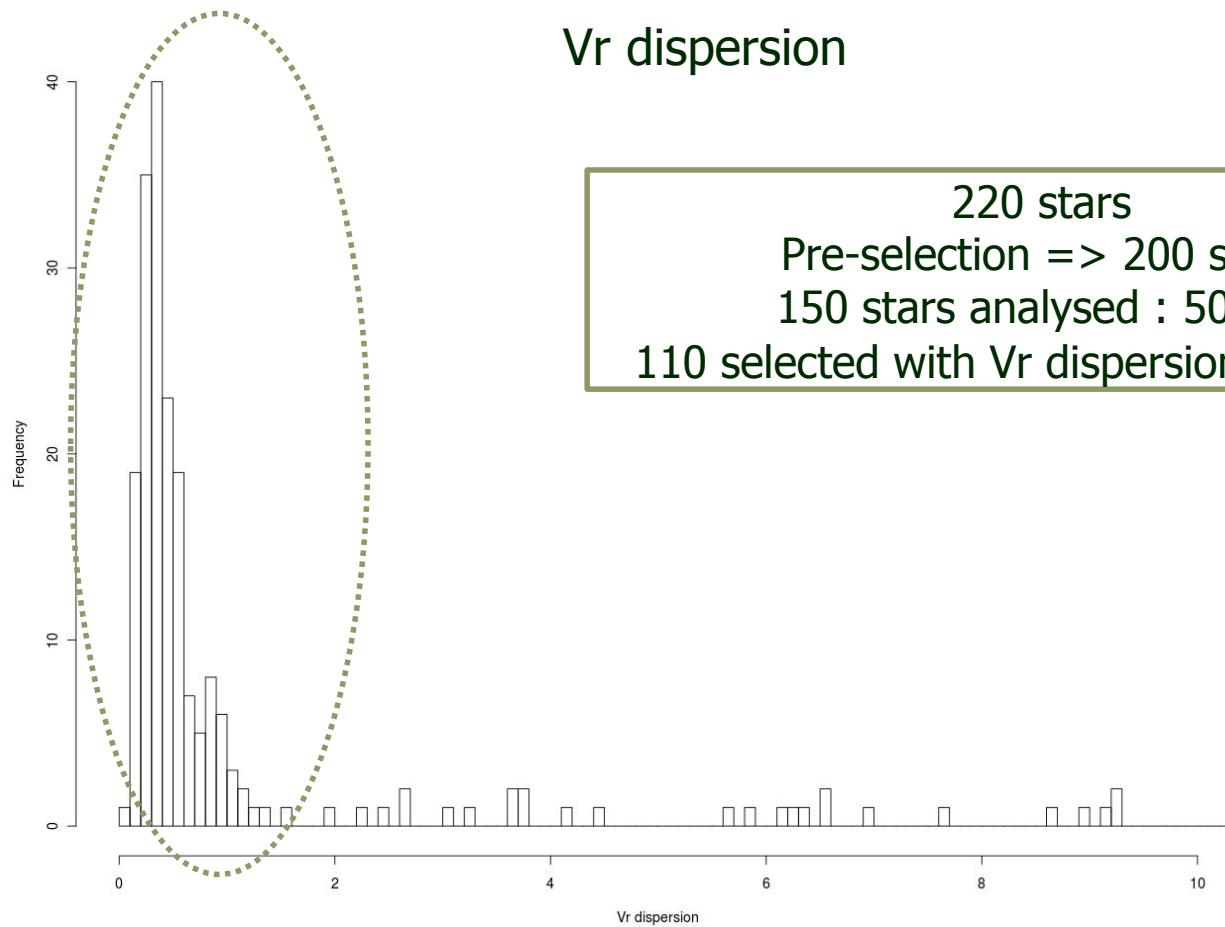
M67-1194 : solar twin

T_{eff} (K)	$\log g$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ (dex)
5703	4.04	-0.048



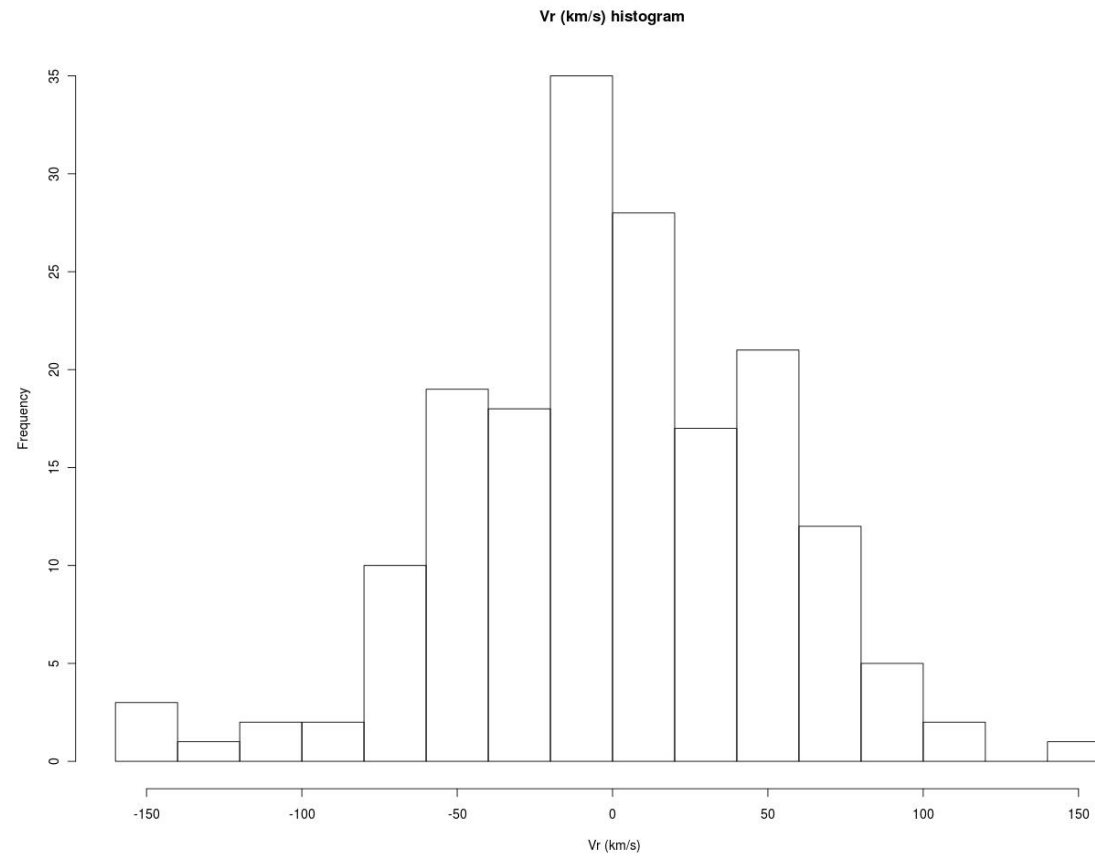
The results : radial velocities

Vr dispersion

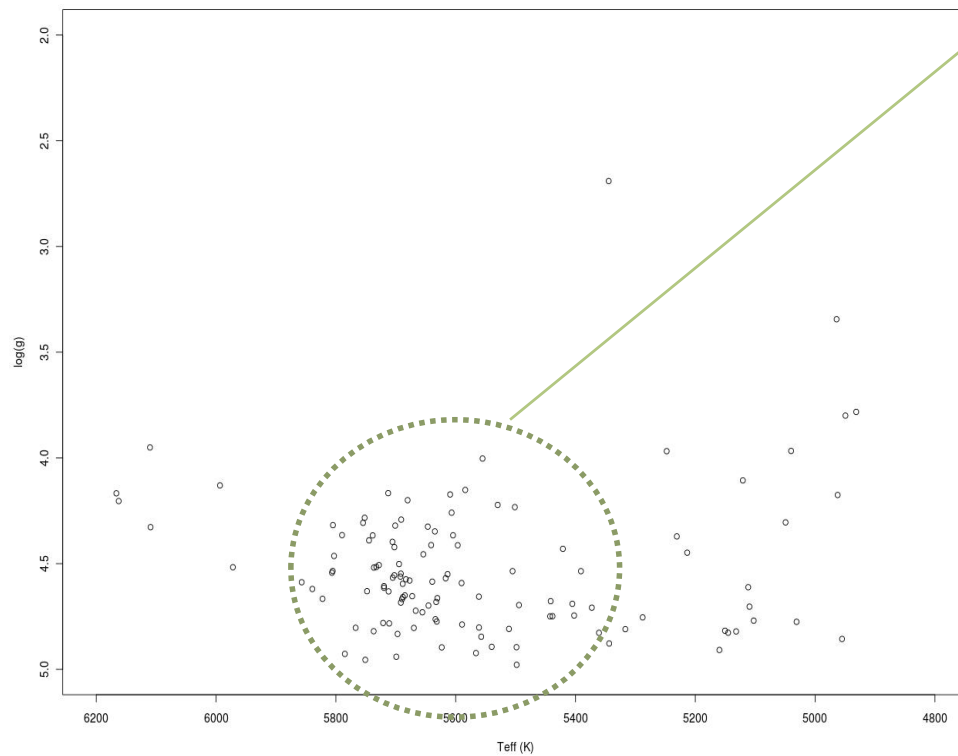


220 stars
Pre-selection => 200 stars
150 stars analysed : 50 left
110 selected with Vr dispersion < 2 km/s.

The results : radial velocities



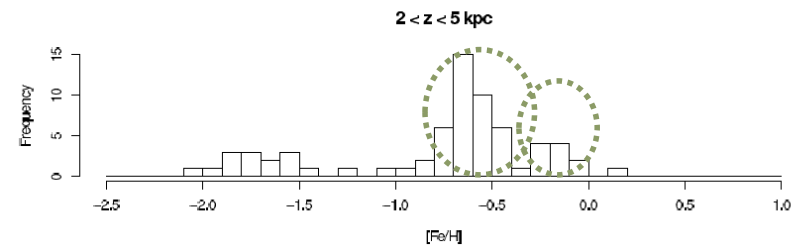
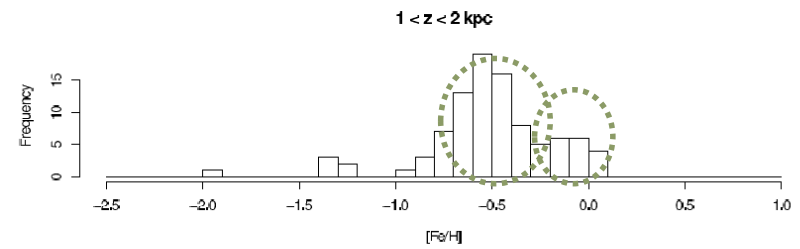
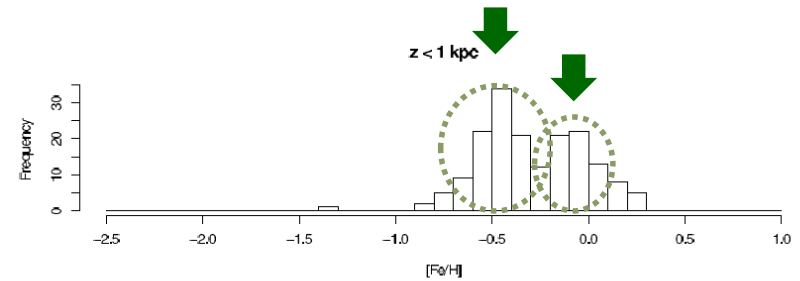
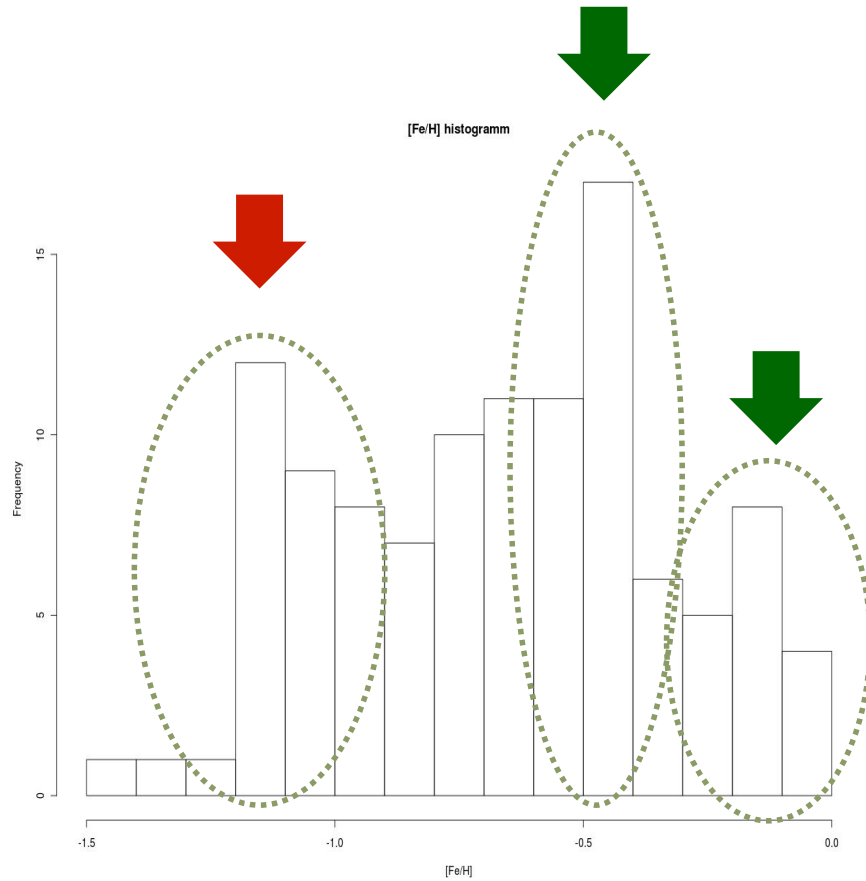
The results : distances



Rough estimate of the mean distance:
 $M_V \sim 5$
Mean $V : 15$
 \Rightarrow Mean $D \sim 1$ kpc



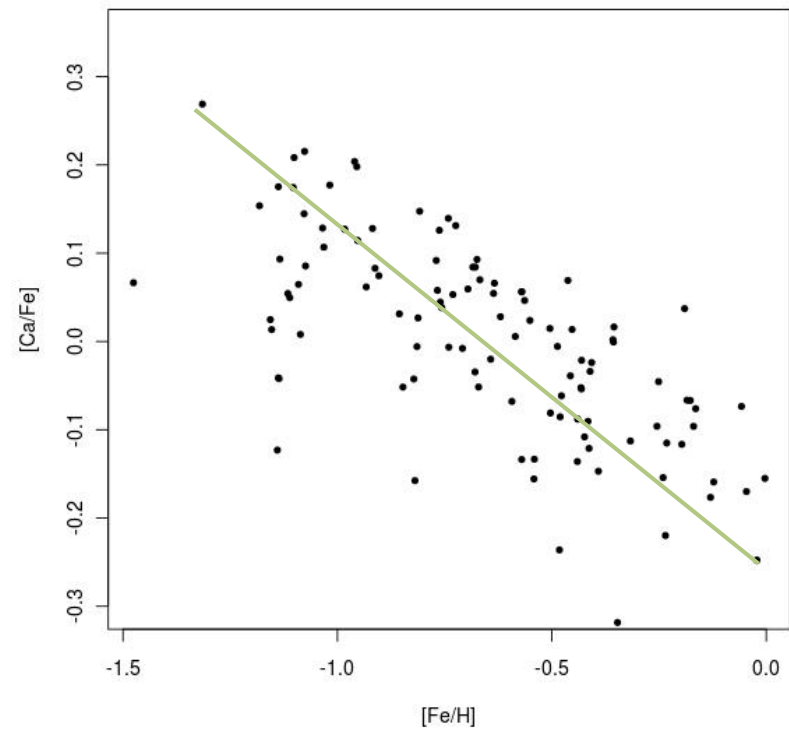
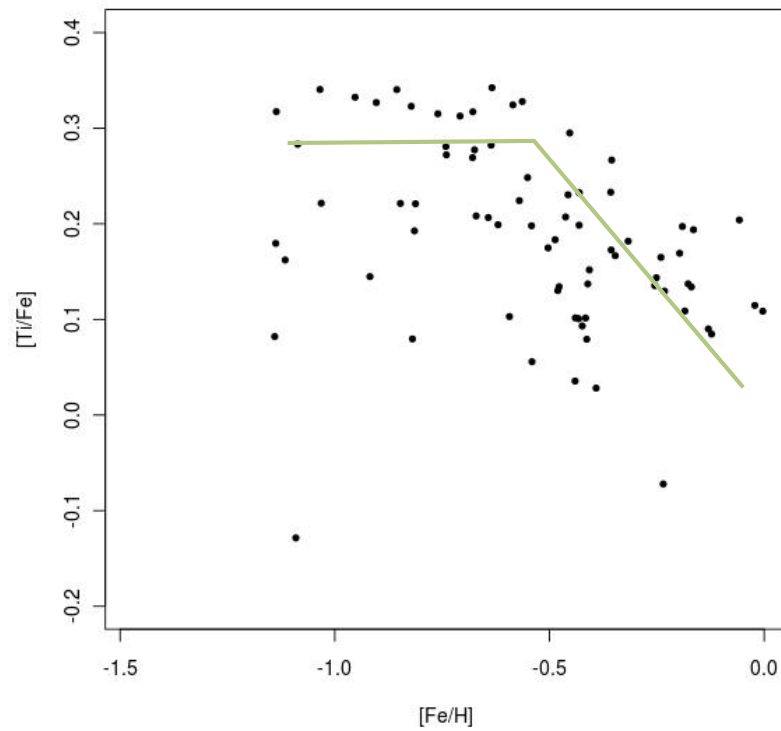
The results : metallicity



Katz et al. 2011



The results : abundance trends



Summary and Conclusion

- SPADES developed and tested:
 - H. Posbic et al. 2012 soon to be published
- Preliminary results:
 - Vr
 - Metallicity
 - Abundance trends
- 0 point issues:
 - Teff
 - [Fe/H] et [X/Fe] : log(gf) not astrophysic
- Scientific interpretation to come.

