

# A bayesian classification method applicable to the GAIA mission

How to use all *a priori* information from galactic and stellar evolution in the GAIA classification system and Science Alert ?

- Description of the galactic model
- Implementation of a bayesian classification system

# Besançon model of the Galaxy

Model based on stellar and galactic evolution scheme.

starting from IMF, SFR, evolutionary tracks, 4 populations

=>  $f(M_v, T_{\text{eff}}, \log g, \text{age}, \text{mass}) \times \rho(x, y, z)$

\* age / velocity dispersion, age / [Fe/H]

\* Dynamically self-consistent at the solar neighbourhood  
=> age /  $h_z$

\* Produces stellar statistics, simulated catalogues of stars with observables (magnitudes UBVRJHKL, G, colours, proper motions, radial velocity, parallaxe, spectral type)

# Recent implementations

New photometric calibrations : Basel2.2 (Lejeune et al, 1997), Chabrier–Baraffe for late type dwarfs and white dwarfs

Hipparcos constraints included (Potential, luminosity function, kinematics) (Robin et al, 2003)

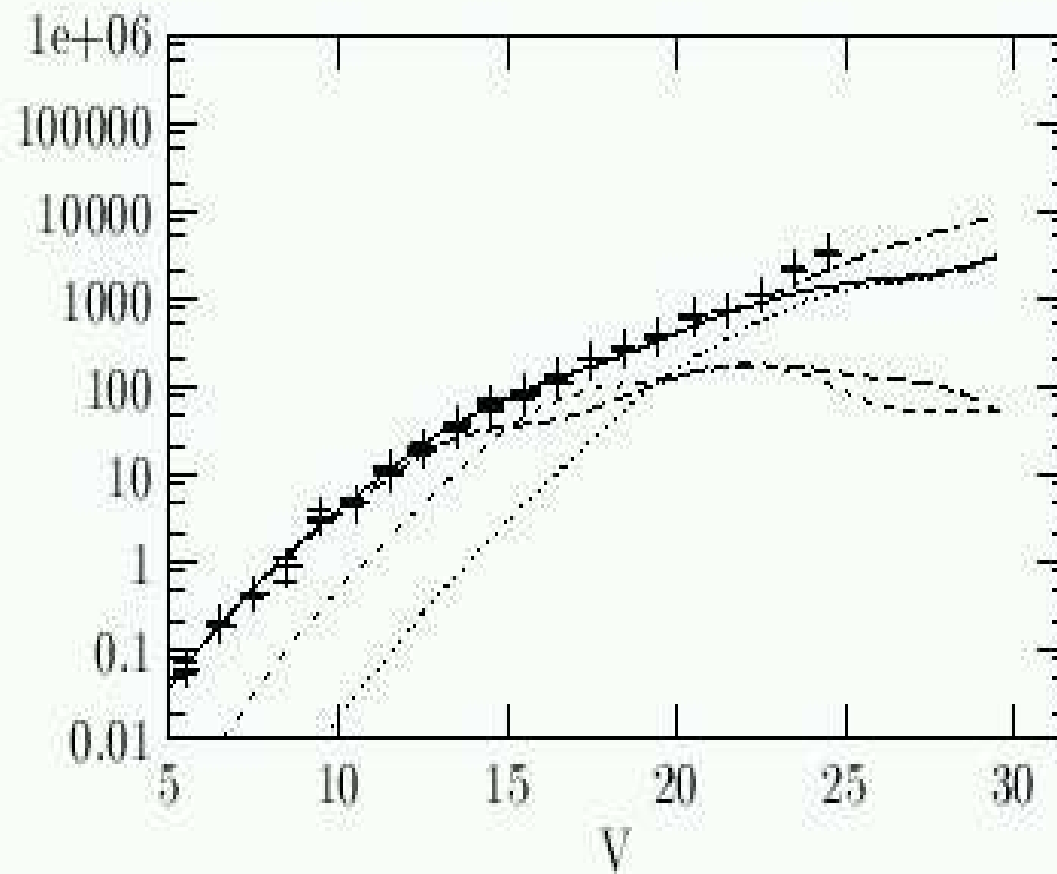
Warped disc and flare (Derrière & Robin, 1999)

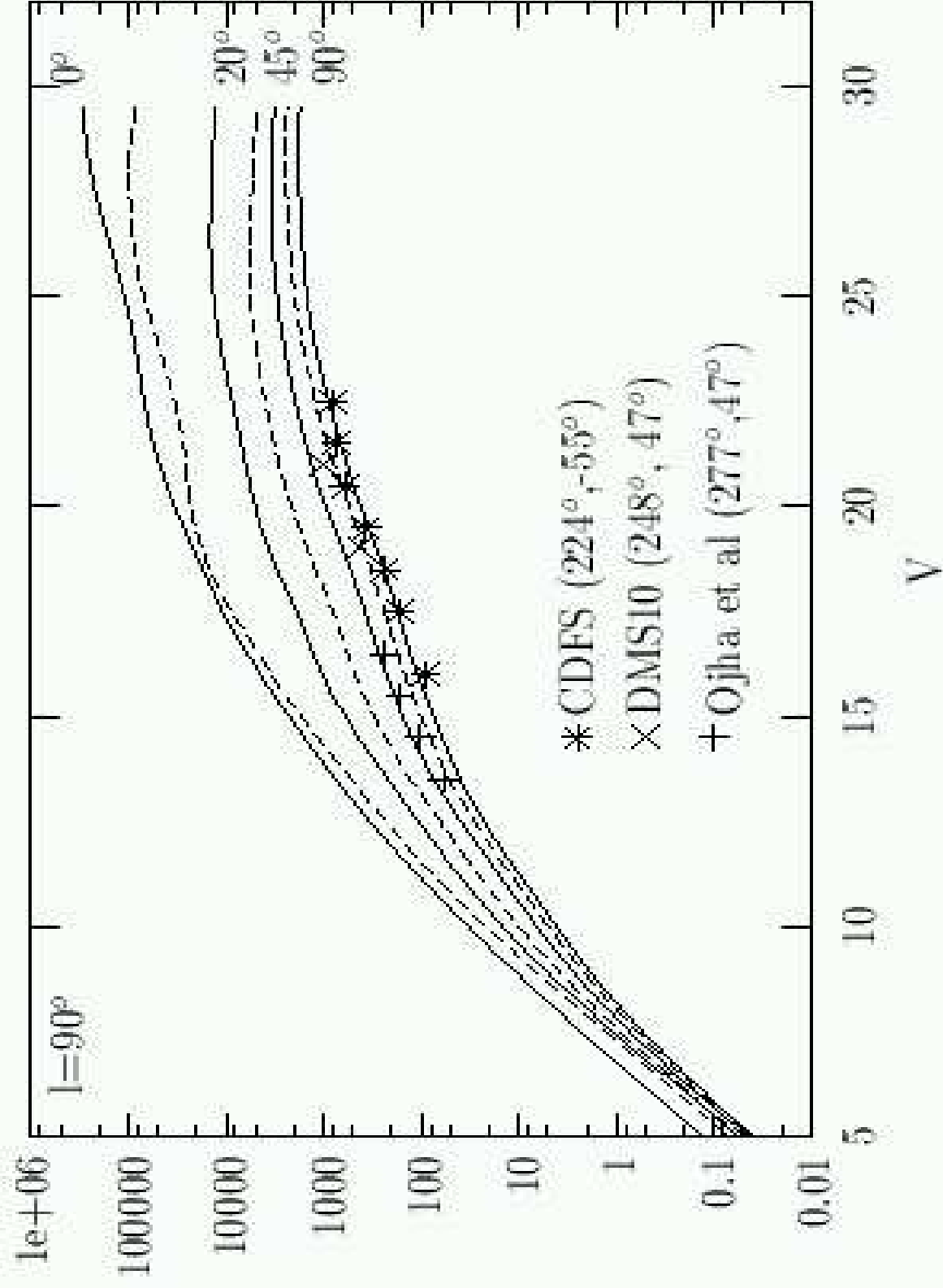
Spiral under implementation

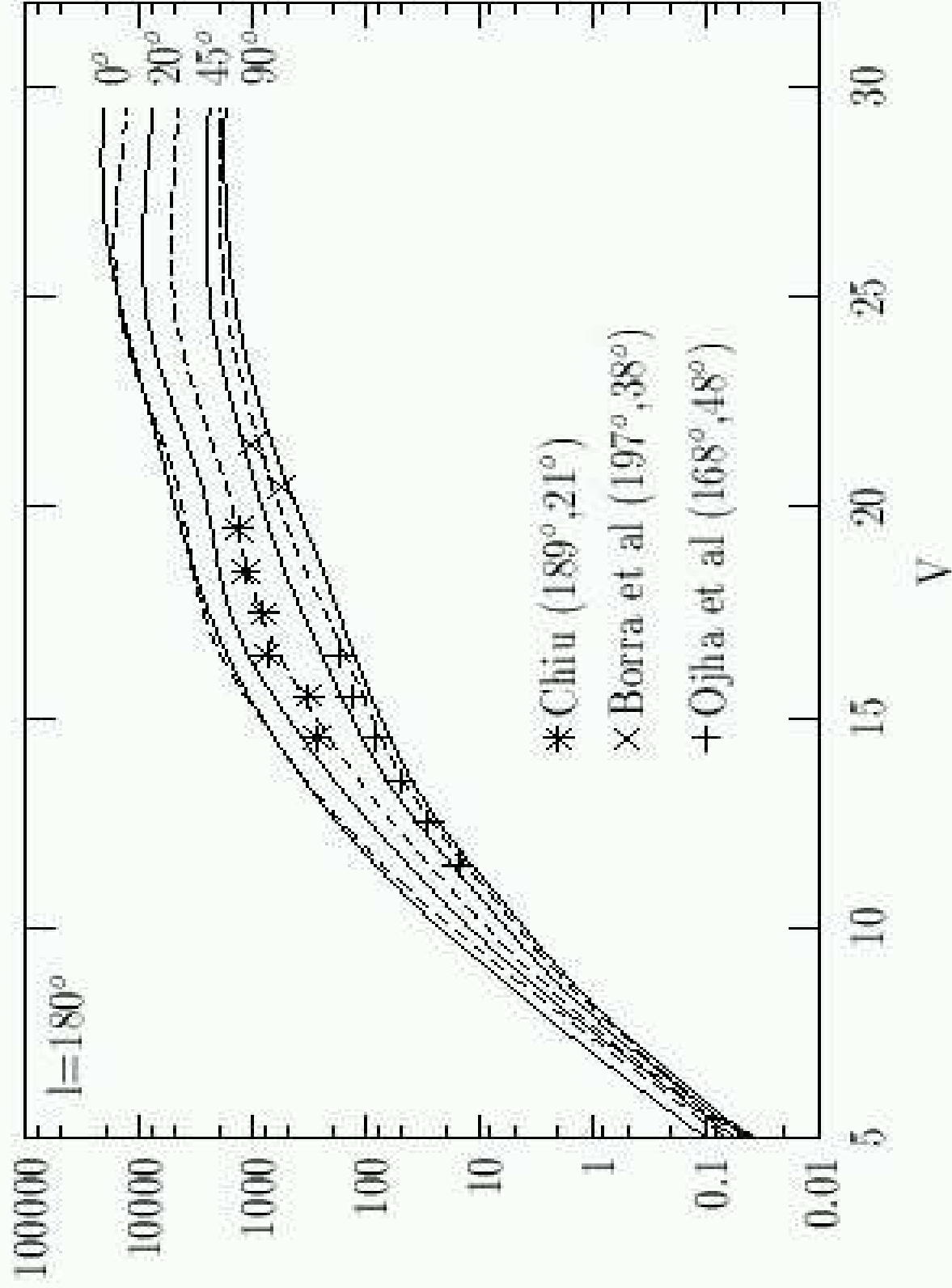
Thick disc and spheroid revised (density laws, IMF) (Robin, Reylé & Crézé, 2000, Reylé & Robin, 2001)

Outer bulge included (Picaud & Robin, 2004)

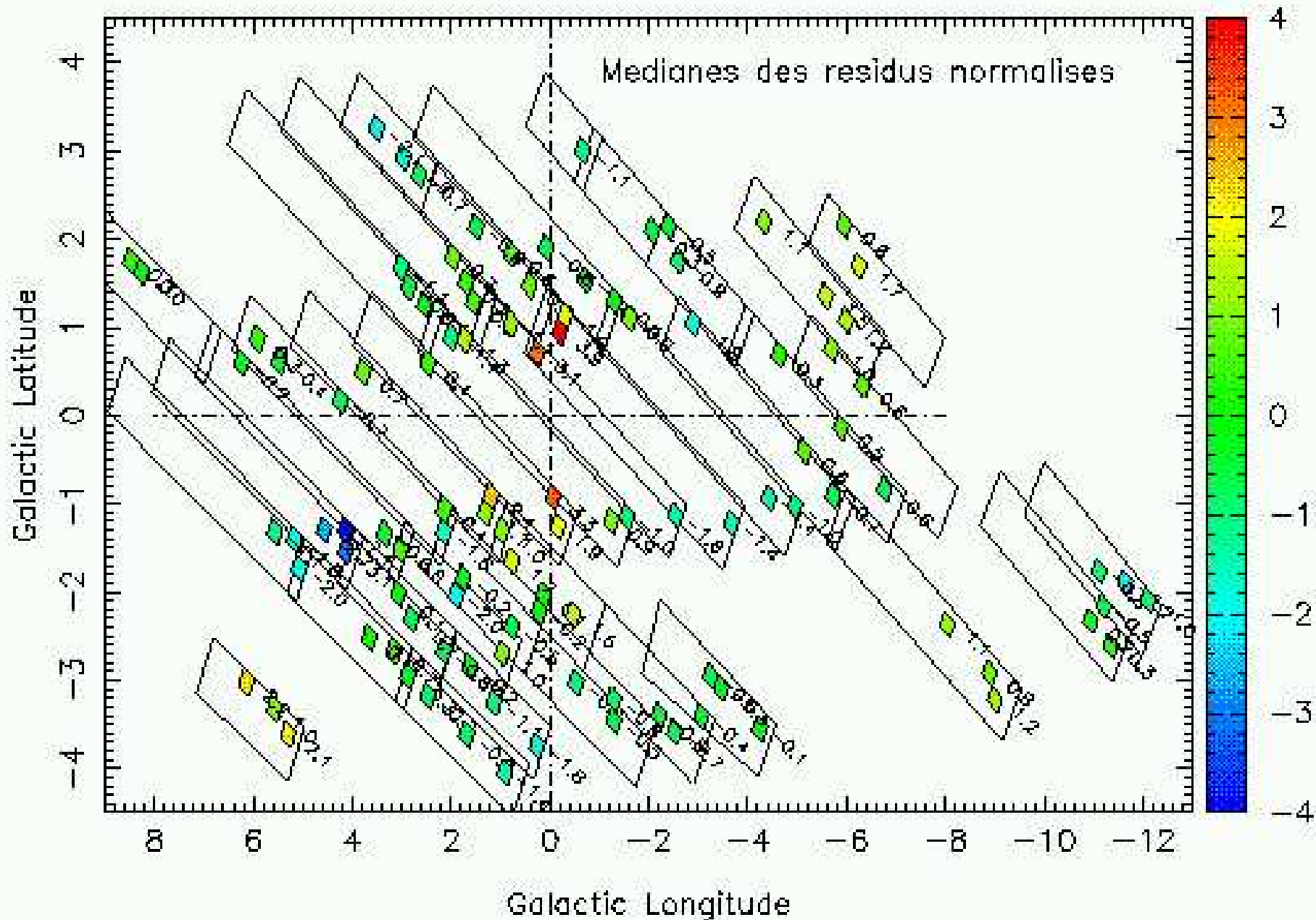
# Predictions and comparisons with data sets







The following map shows the **medians of normalized residues** (red = excess of data) for the best parameters (see next page). The black boxes are the batches.



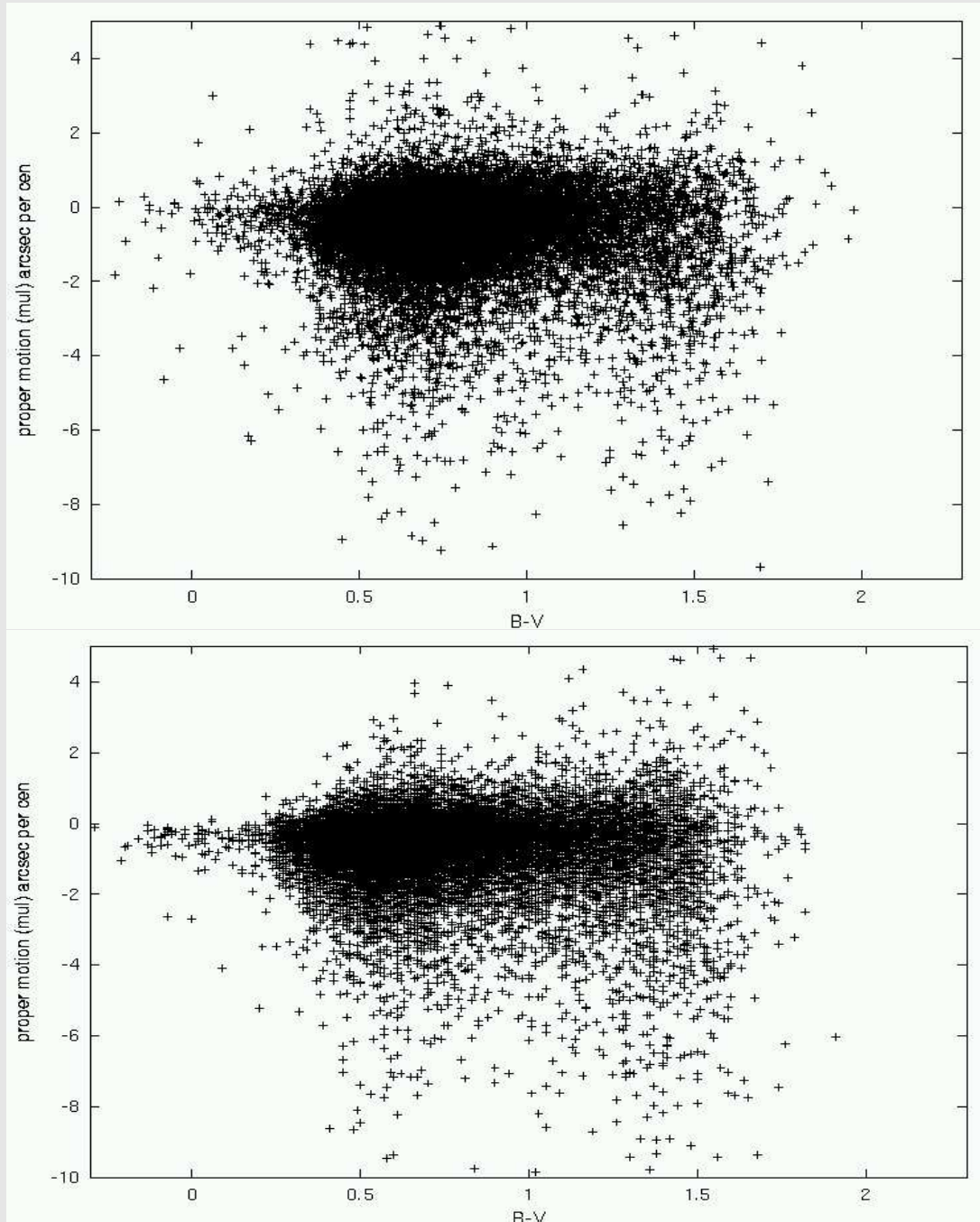
Data  
**Ojha et al. (1996)**

Towards  $l=4$ ,  $b=45$

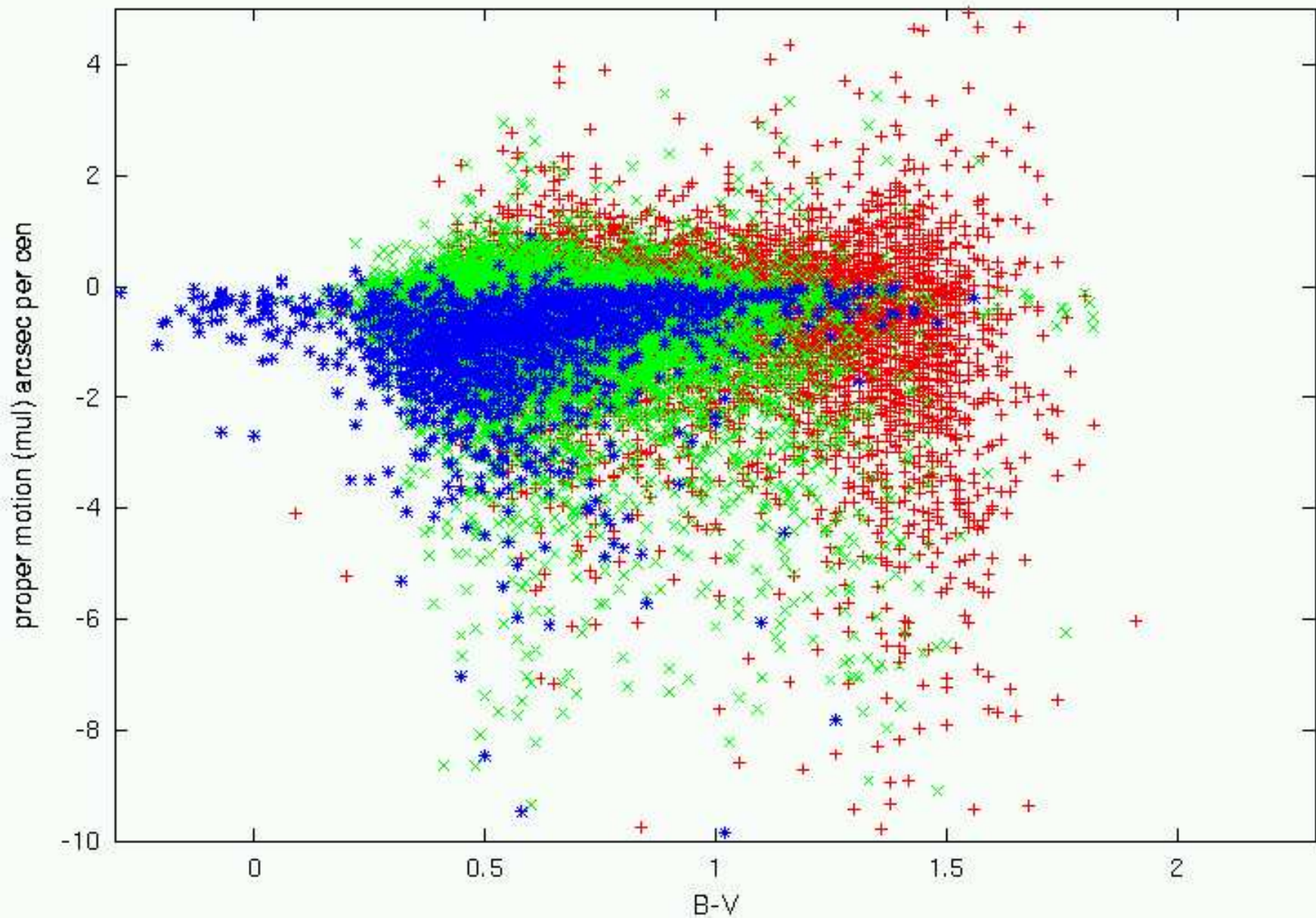
at  $V < 18$

B-V versus  
proper motion  
 $\mu_l$  in arcsec  
per century

**Model**







Model towards  $l=4$ ,  $b=45$  at  $V<18$ , disc (red), thick disc (green), spheroid (blue)

## A Bayesian classification tool

An "agap" model of the Galaxy :

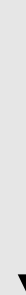
=> **Frequencies** of different types of stars as a function of position in the Galaxy

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**Probability** to find a star of a certain type in a certain place, with certain properties

Apparent magnitude  
colours  
proper motions  
parallaxes  
radial velocities  
coordinates

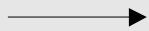
Observables



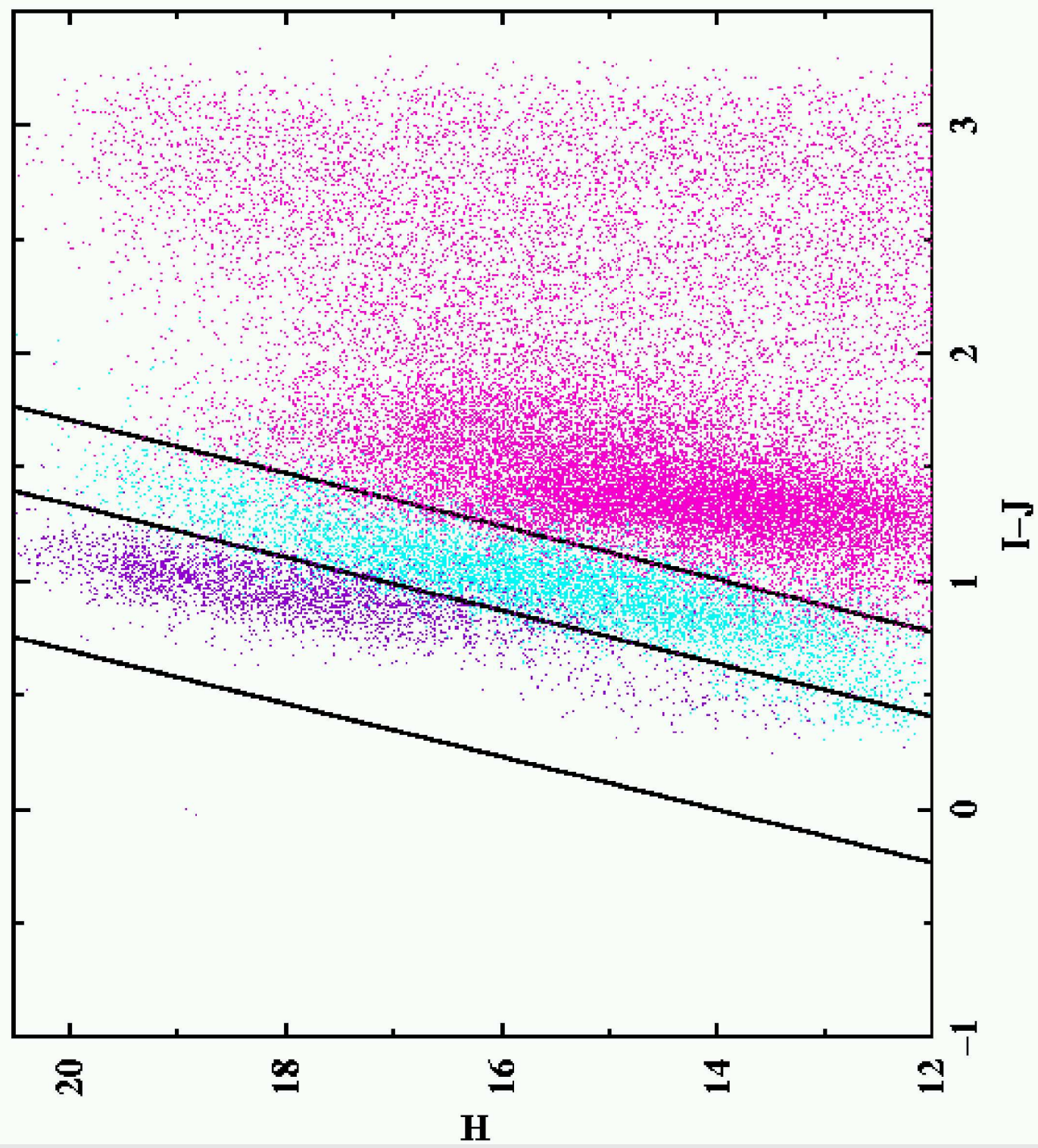
Classification

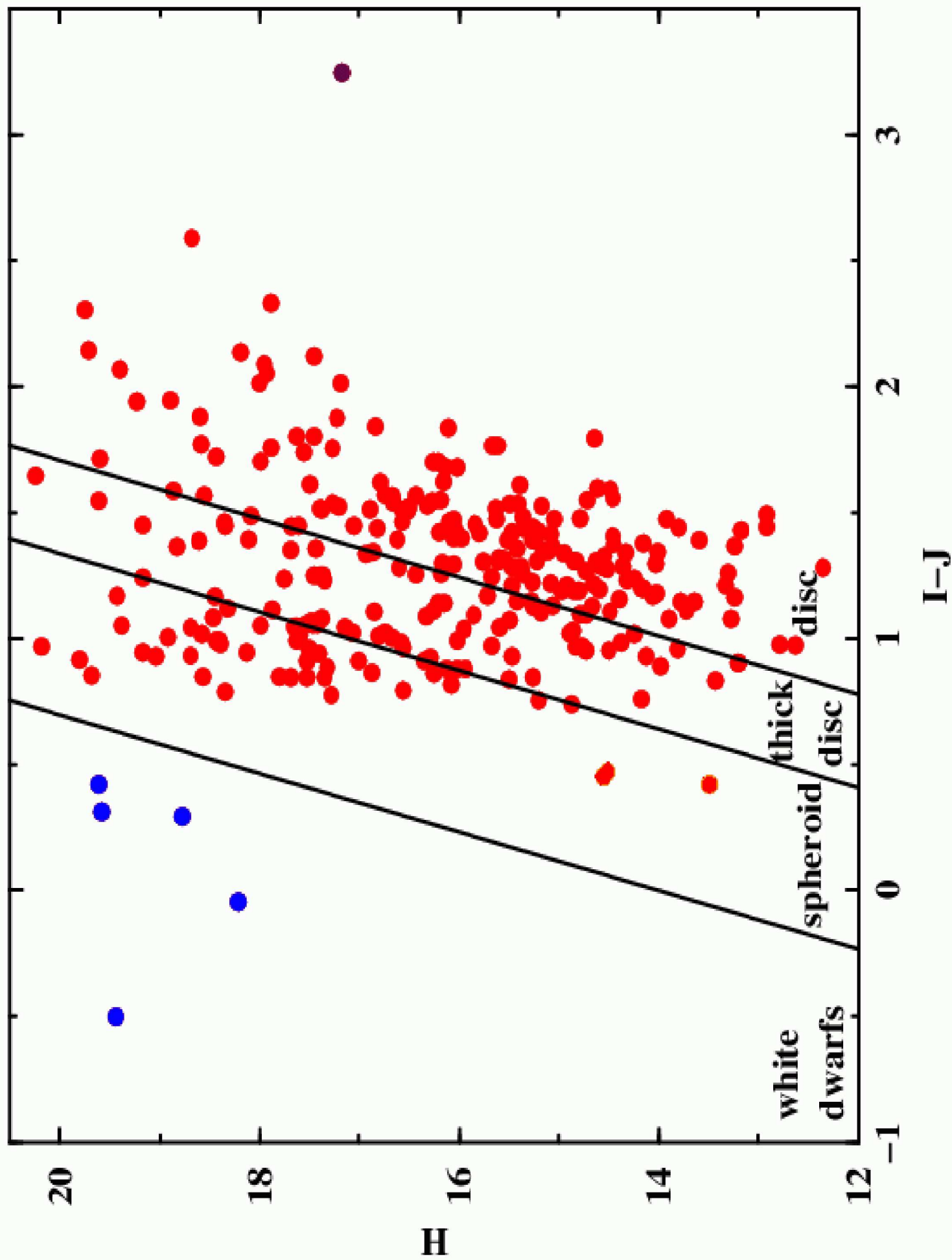


Teff  
log g  
spectral type  
distance  
absolute magnitude  
metallicity  
velocities



Age, population



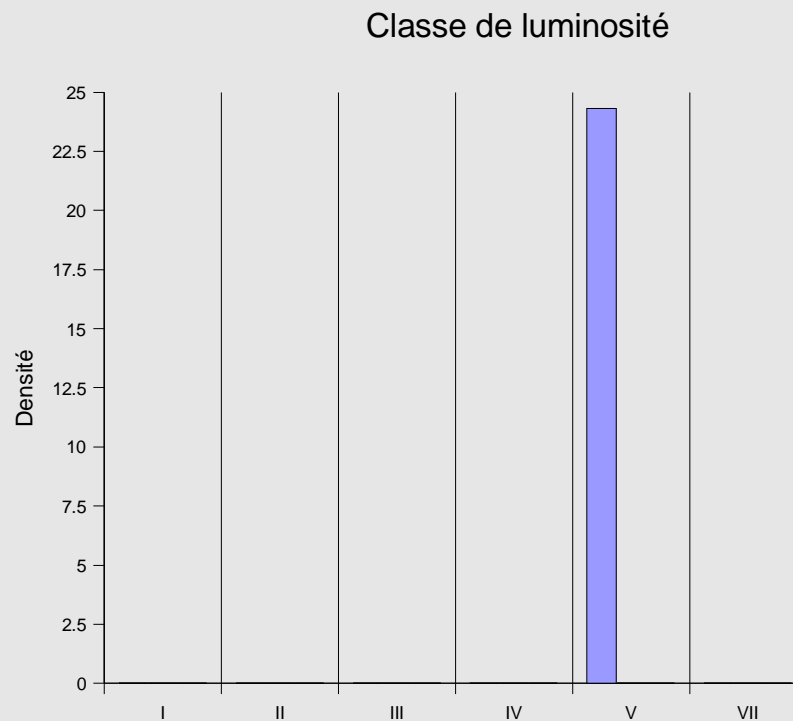


# Probability estimates

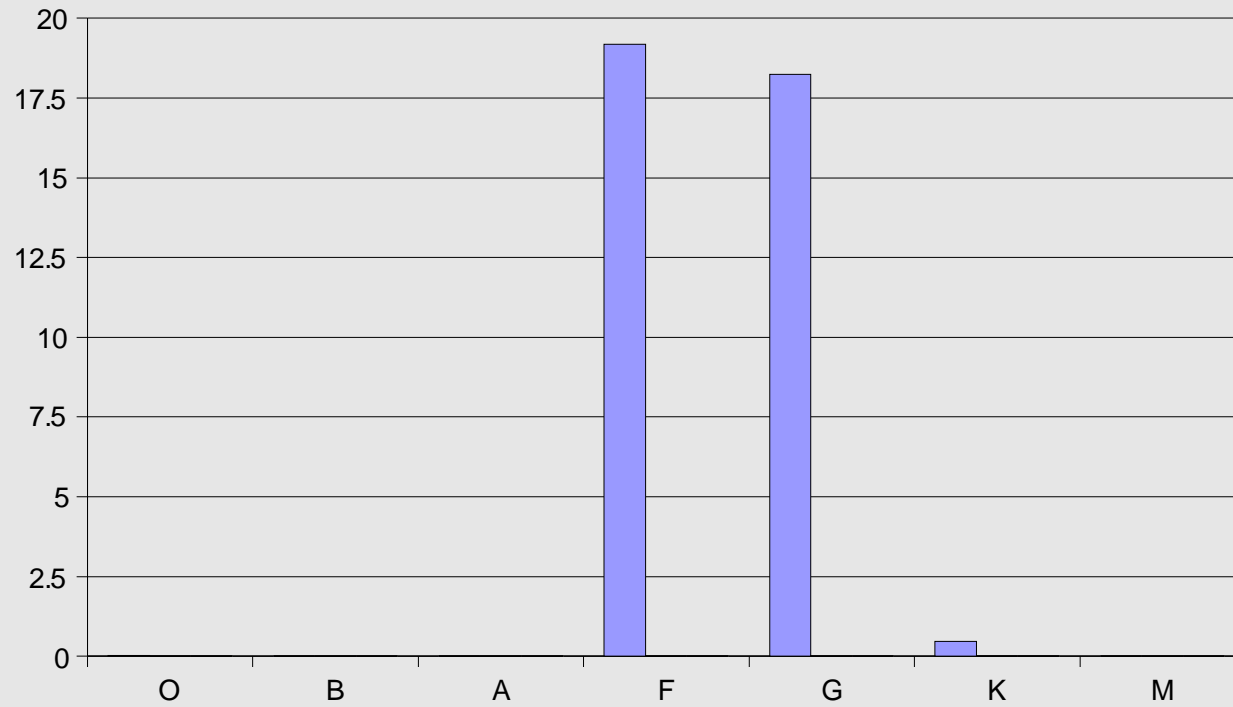
Example : a star of magnitude  $V=18\pm 1.0$   
and  $B-V=0.6\pm 0.15$

Towards  $l=200$ ,  $b=59$

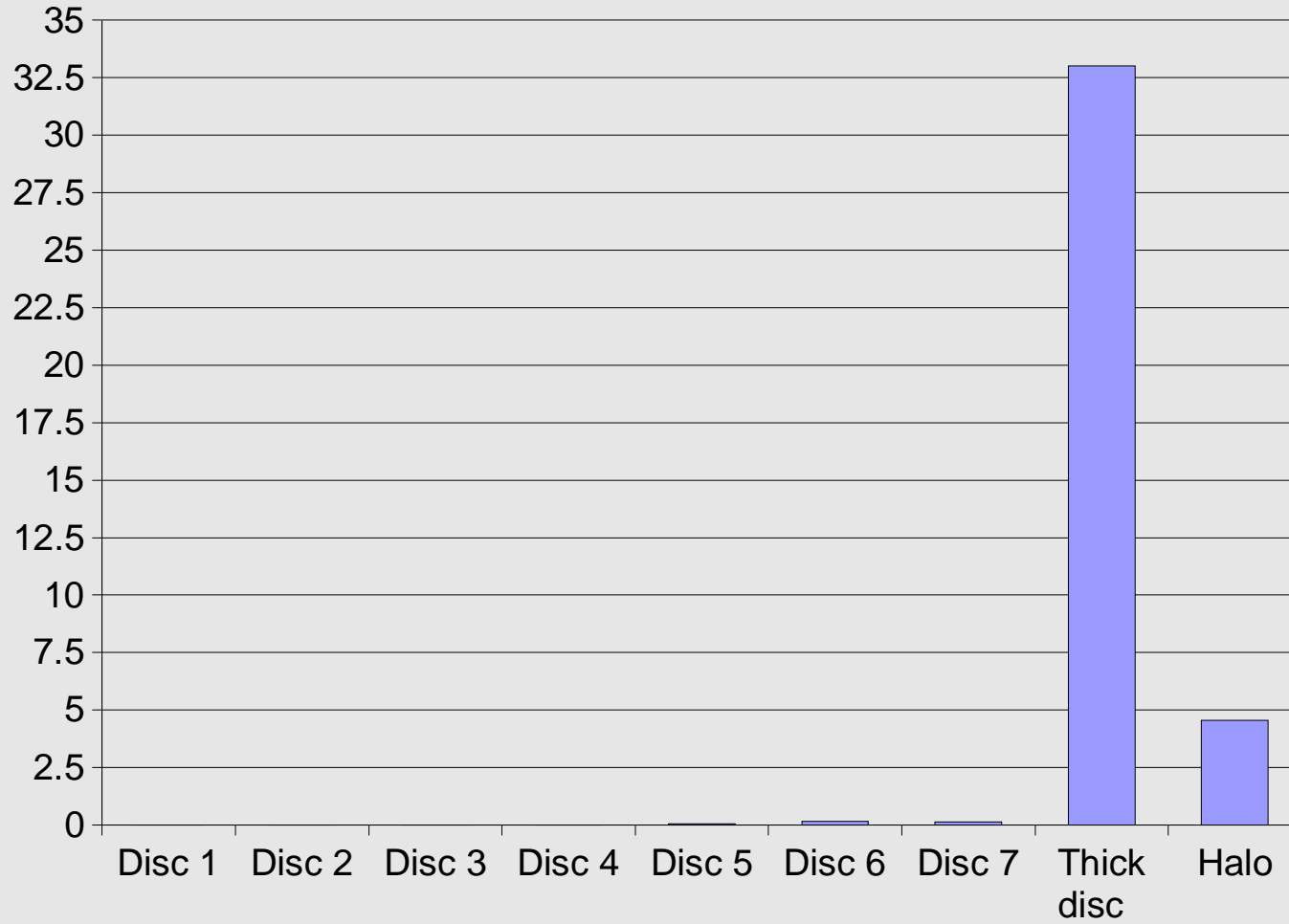
Luminosity class distribution :



# Spectral type distribution

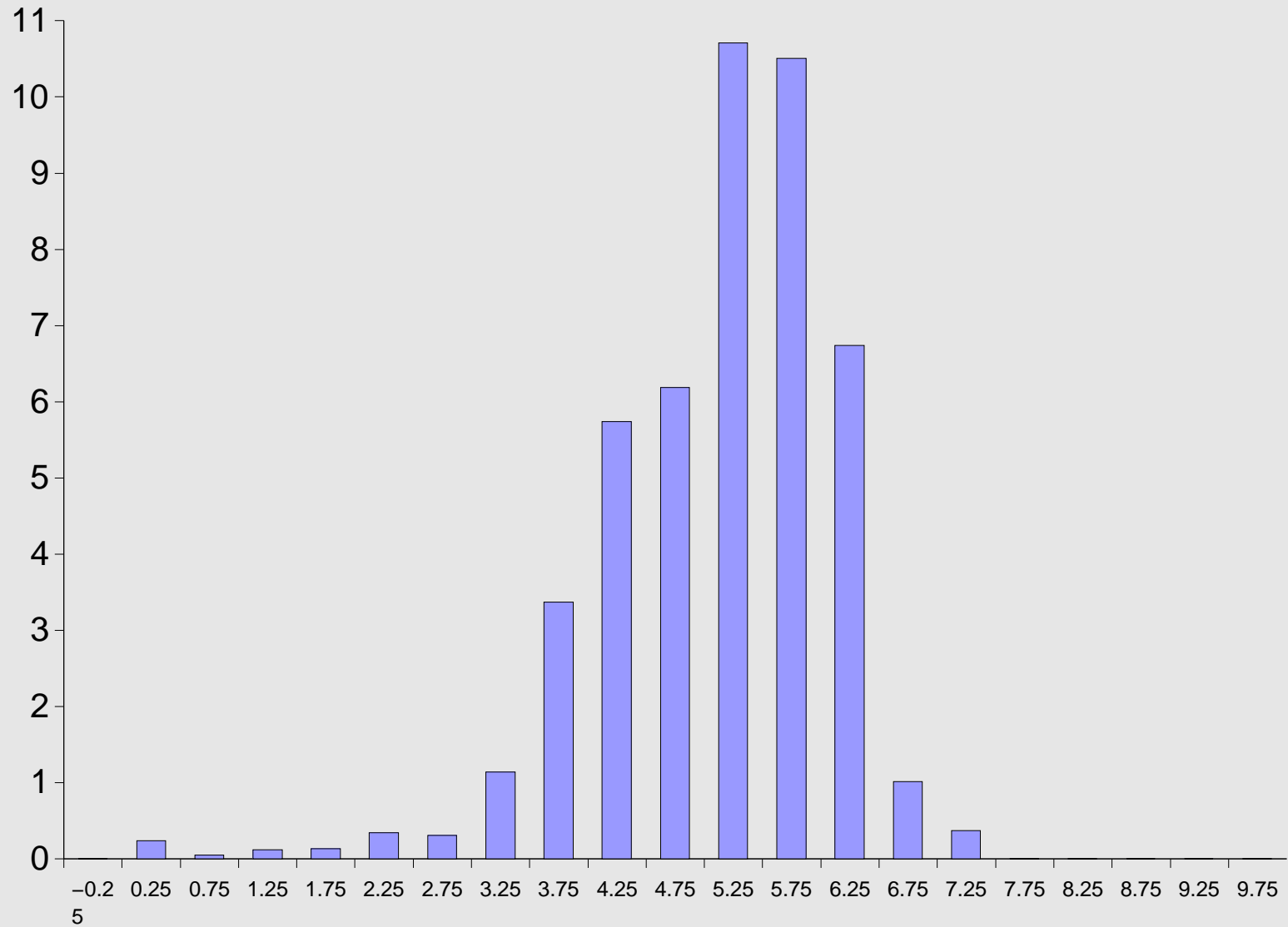


# Population





# Absolute magnitude



## Future implementations

- A 3D extinction model
- Padoue isochrones and adjustable SFR (coll. Haywood)
- GAIA photometric system (Photometric WG)

## Science Alert

Classification for most stars.

When the classification fails (an object in an improbable region)

=> **Science Alert**

Possibility of exploring multivariate space of observables, more than in a normal classification.

Classification may evolve during the mission.

Work in progress at Heidelberg (ARI) by Sébastien Picaud

# Conclusions

- **CLASSIFICATION:**

**Complementary** to standard classifications (**age** estimate, account for galactic structure knowledge)

Useful when standard classifications fail (**degeneracies**) and at low signal/noise

Necessity to make **verification tests** during the mission  
statistical tests on the database on distributions of observables  
*model learning ?*

- **SCIENCE ALERT:** Detection of unusual/new types of objects