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# PS1-STRM: Neural network source classification and photometric redshift catalogue for PS1 $3\pi$ DR1

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## ABSTRACT

The Pan-STARRS1 (PS1)  $3\pi$  survey is a comprehensive optical imaging survey of three quarters of the sky in the *grizy* broad-band photometric filters. We present the methodology used in assembling the source classification and photometric redshift (photo- $z$ ) catalogue for PS1  $3\pi$  Data Release 1, titled Pan-STARRS1 Source Types and Redshifts with Machine learning (PS1-STRM).

For both main data products, we use neural network architectures, trained on a compilation of public spectroscopic measurements that has been cross-matched with PS1 sources.

We quantify the parameter space coverage of our training data set, and flag extrapolation using self-organizing maps. We perform a Monte-Carlo sampling of the photometry to estimate photo- $z$  uncertainty.

The final catalogue contains 2,902,054,648 objects. On our validation data set, for non-extrapolated sources, we achieve an overall classification accuracy of 98.1% for galaxies, 97.8% for stars, and 96.6% for quasars.

Regarding the galaxy photo- $z$  estimation, we attain an overall bias of  $\langle \Delta z_{\text{norm}} \rangle = 0.0005$ , a standard deviation of  $\sigma(\Delta z_{\text{norm}}) = 0.0322$ , a median absolute deviation of  $\text{MAD}(\Delta z_{\text{norm}}) = 0.0161$ , and an outlier fraction of  $O = 1.89\%$ .

The catalogue will be made available as a high-level science product via the Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes at <https://doi.org/10.17909//t9-rnk7-gr88>.

**Key words:** catalogues – cosmology: large-scale structure of Universe – methods: data analysis – methods: numerical.

# Introduction

Optical broad-band photometry  $\Rightarrow$  Very important for gathering information from the Universe

Numerous surveys are dedicated to obtain images and/or spectra !

E.g. SDSS

- Combination of spectroscopic + imaging measurements
- Coverage  $\approx 14.000 \text{ deg}^2$  of the sky
- Results to  $\approx 7.700$  peer reviewed papers



Main usage of optical photometry  $\Rightarrow$  Distinguishing of astronomical objects to



Stars

Galaxies

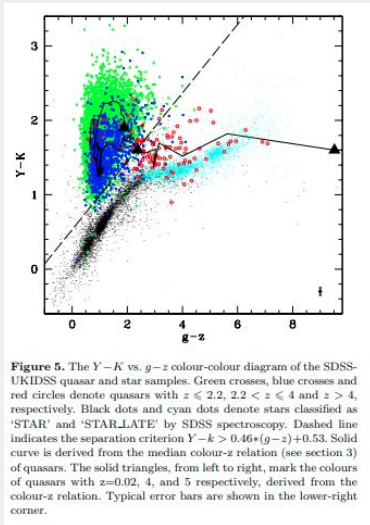
QSOs

**Not a trivial task if only info from broadband photometry is available !!!**

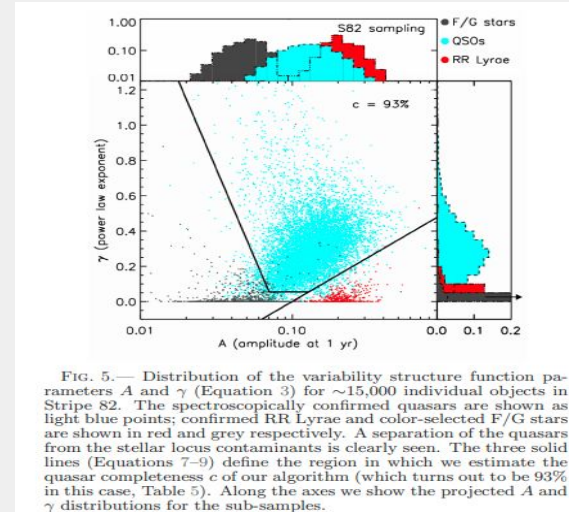
# Introduction

## Traditional approaches for the source classification

- **Galaxy/ Non galaxy separation:** Galaxies are extended sources  $\Rightarrow$  A cut in their PSF aperture mag vs extended aperture mag. Problematic cases: Faint objects
- **QSO/Star separation:**
  - Cuts in colour - colour diagrams (Low redshift QSOs)
  - Optical & Infrared observations / Time-domain observations (High redshift OSOS)



[Wu & Jia, 2010]



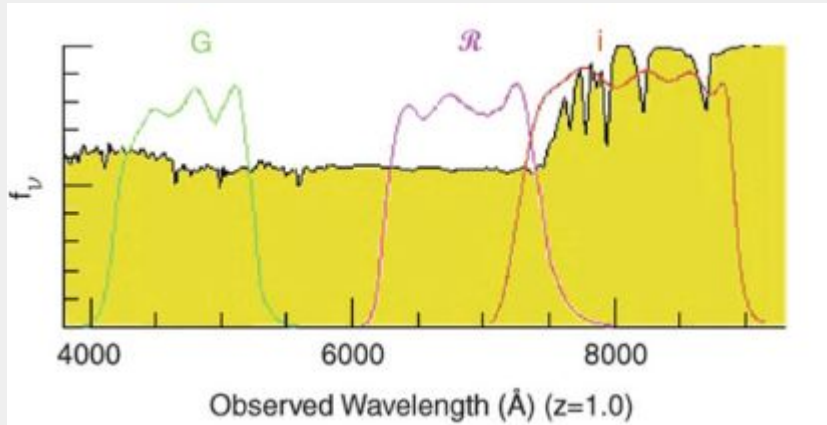
[Schmidt et al., 2010]

# Introduction

## Traditional approach for the photo-z estimation

Photo-z : Very important for the galaxies. Useful for distance measurements !

- Template fitting approaches



galaxies at other redshifts is also possible. The example shows a galaxy at  $z = 1$  whose 4000 Å-break is located between the two redder filters. The 4000 Å-break occurs in stellar populations after several  $10^7$  yr (see Fig. 3.33) and is one of the most important features for the method of photometric redshift. Source: K.L. Adelberger 1999, *Star Formation and Structure Formation at Redshifts  $1 < z < 4$* , astro-ph/9912153,

### Phot-z estimation with templates

1. A number of template-spectra (observations or populations synthesis models) is redshifted in  $\lambda$ .
2. For each template-spectrum and any  $z$  the expected galaxy colours are determined
3. This set of colours is compared with the observed galaxy colours.
4. The best match determines the galaxy's  $z$  and type

# Introduction

## Problems with the traditional methods of source classification & photo-z estimation

- **Classification:** Boundary definitions, useful photometric bands, apertures  $\implies$  Based on a few low-dimensional projections of a complex high-dimensional space
- **Photo-z estimation:** Insufficient number of different filters, errors on magnitudes measurements

## Solution



### MACHINE LEARNING METHODS

- **Classification:** ML methods make automatically choices of photometric bands, aperture size, etc. based on a the entire multi-dimensional parameter space
- **Photo-z estimation:** ML methods seem to be more accurate than template fitting methods, when there is large number of spectro-z data available for the model's calibration

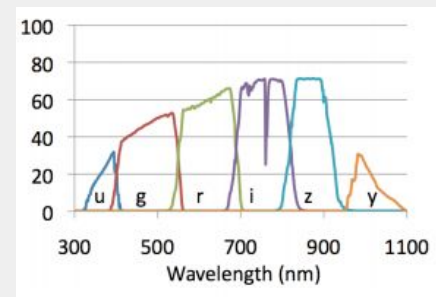
# Introduction

## This work

- Based on Pan-STARRS1  $3\pi$  survey Data Release 1
  - The currently largest imaging survey
  - Coverage  $\approx 30.000 \text{ deg}^2$  of the sky
  - 10.7 billion unique objects - 3 billion sources confirmed in multiple bands
  
- Creation of ***Pan-STARRS1 Source Types and Redshifts with Machine Learning (PS1-STRM)*** by using machine learning for source classification & photo-z estimation

# Data sets

## Photometric data



[<https://www.lsst.org/>]

Broad-band photometric measurements :  $g,r,i,z,y$

Photometry methodologies:

- Mean photometry: based on single-epoch detections
- Stack photometry: stacking all observations in a given (field and filter)
- Forced mean photometry: Objects detected in the stacks, not necessarily detected in single exposures

### Which one is the best ?

For the purposes of a uniform classification and photo-z catalog  $\implies$  Forced Mean Photometry

### Why ?

Deepest & accurate photometry available for all sources

Sufficient aperture magnitude

6 different photometries::

- PSF (describes well the flux from stars & QSOs)
- Kron (describes well the flux of extended sources)
- seeing-matched apertures
- 3.00" , 4.63" , 7.43"

6 different photometric values x 5 bands



30 measures of the multi-band flux of a light source

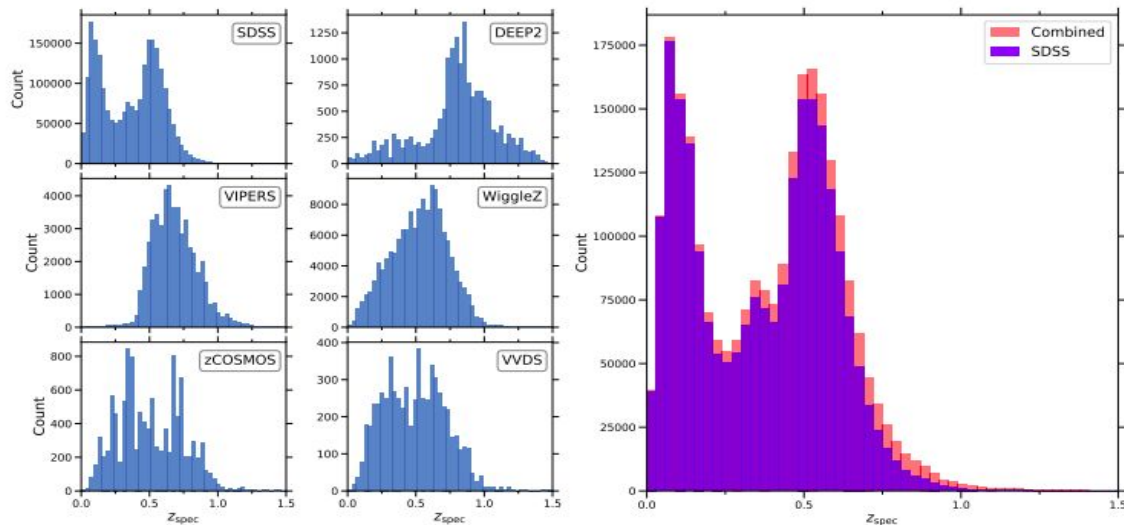


# Data sets

## Spectroscopic data

**Table 1.** The cross-matched source counts and used quality flags of the different surveys comprising our combined spectroscopic sample.

Survey	Total source count	Galaxies	Stars	Quasars	Quality flags
SDSS DR14	3,616,323	2,310,690	766,251	539,382	zWarning = 0x00, 0x10
DEEP2 DR4	18,636	17,143	631	862	ZQUALITY = 4
VIPERS PDR-2	53,833	51,523	2,310	-	[zflag] (mod 10) = 3, 4
WiggleZ	146,686	146,647	39	-	Q = 4, 5
zCOSMOS DR3	11,867	11,125	742	-	[CC] (mod 10) = 3, 4
VVDS	6,374	6,374	-	-	ZFLAGS (mod 10) = 4
Combined	3,853,719	2,543,502	769,973	540,244	



**Figure 1.** The redshift distribution of galaxies in the spectroscopic surveys that constitute our combined spectroscopic sample. Left panel: surveys are shown individually. Right panel: the combined sample is plotted, as well as the only-SDSS component.

Class &  $z$  : Determined by detailed analysis of high-resolution spectra

Cross-matching of spectroscopic sources with the PS1  $3\pi$  DR1 and acceptance of only certain matches (closer than  $1.5''$ , Bayes factor  $> 10.000$ )

Keep only high quality spectra

## Data sets

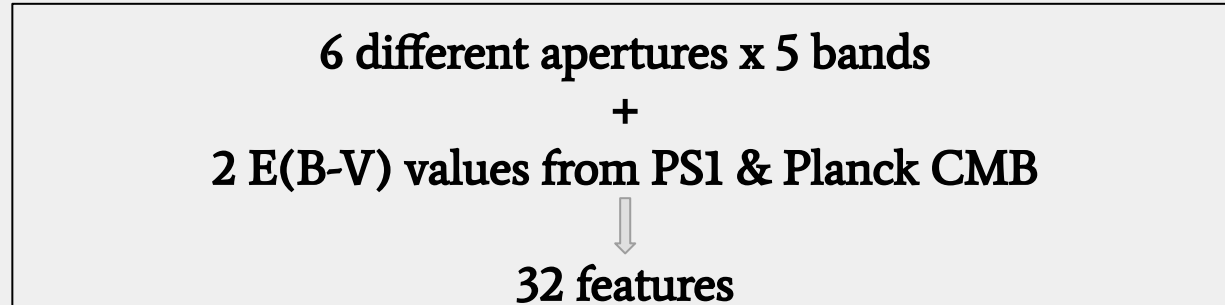
### Dust maps

Photometry in PS1  $3\pi$  DR1 is not corrected for extinction !

Data augmentation with 2 extra data sets:

1. PS1 observations of Galactic stars. Tracking the reddening until 4.5 kpc
2. Planck CMB (accounts for overall extinction)

## Total Number of features for each object

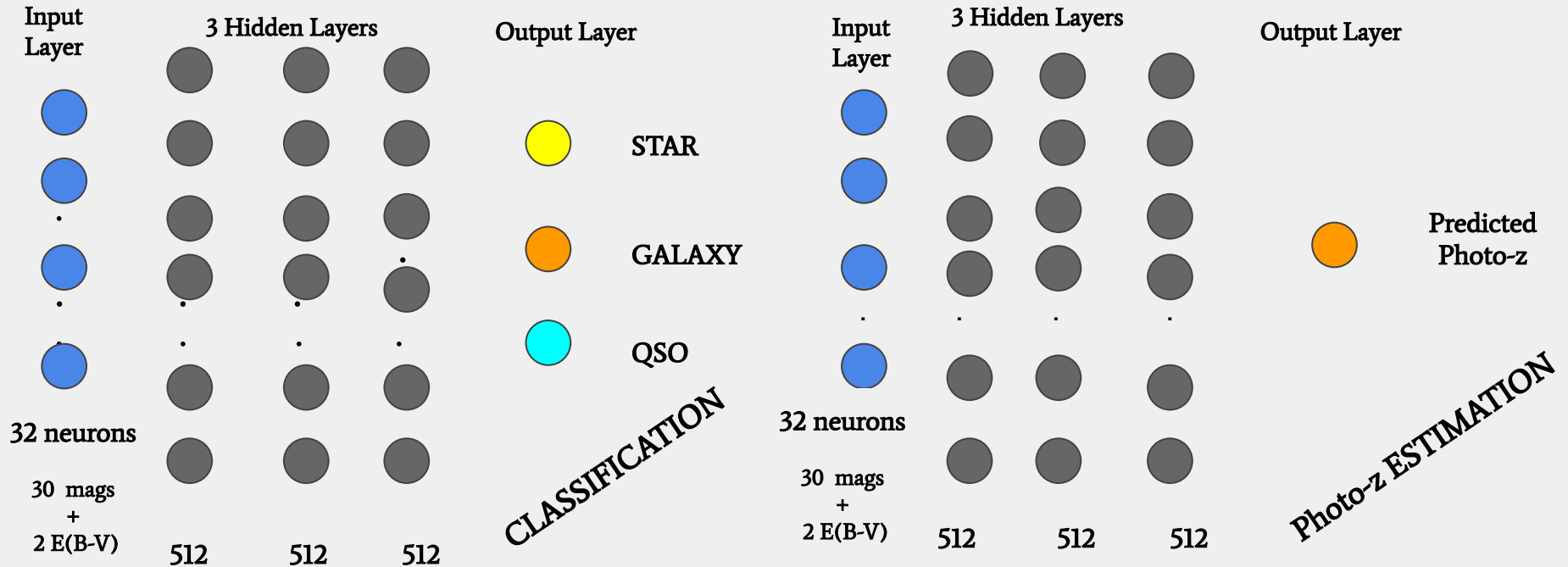


# Methodology

## Neural Network configuration

Why a NN ?

Flexible with non-linear models + Capable of recognizing useful patterns in multidimensional space



# Methodology

## Training Setup

- Training sample : 80 % of the ~3.8 million spectroscopic dataset
- Validation sample : 20 % of the ~3.8 million spectroscopic dataset

**Classifier Model** : Trained for 150 epochs



Only objects that classify as galaxies used for the training of photo-z estimator  
Mirroring the actual use case !



**Regression Model**: Trained for 100 epochs

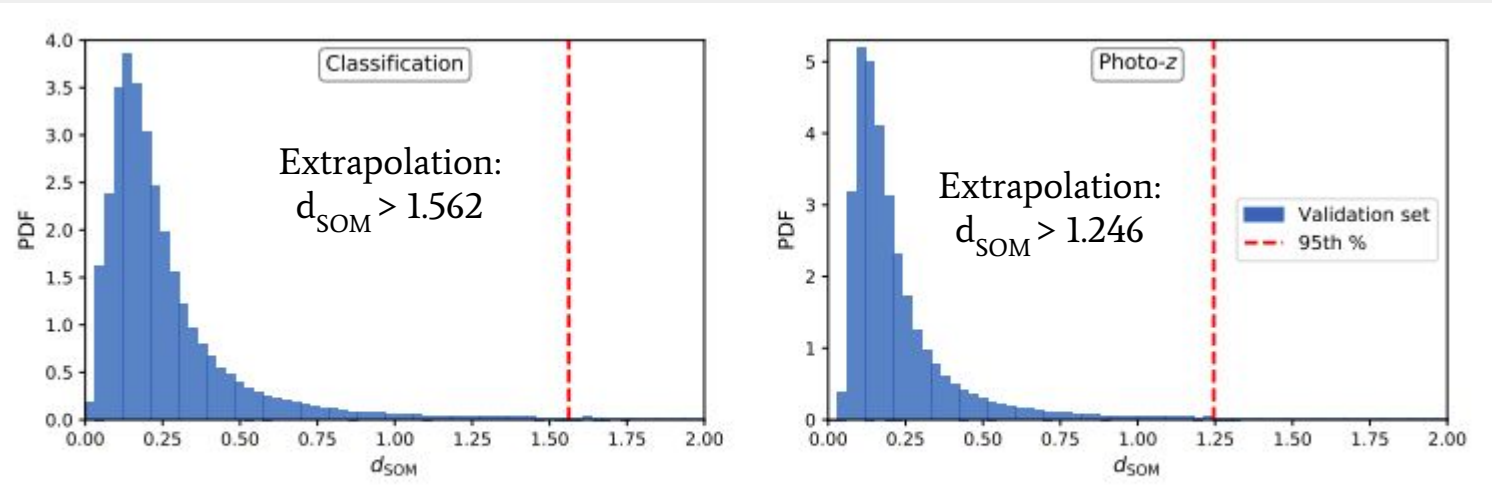
# Methodology

## Self Organizing Maps (SOMs)

NN are not capable to extrapolate into regions of the input parameter space that are not covered from the training set

A way to quantify the training set coverage in the 30-d magnitude space is to use **SOMs**

SOMs: N.N model that identifies correlations in high dimensional data



**Figure 2.** The distribution of  $d_{SOM}$ , the Euclidean distance (in normalized magnitude space) from the nearest cell centre in the SOM, for validation set objects. Vertical dashed lines represent the cut that defines whether an object is flagged as extrapolated. The left panel corresponds to the classification SOM and validation set, while the right panel shows the photo- $z$  SOM and validation set.

# Methodology

## Catalogue processing

**1st step:** 2 E(B-V) values from dust maps based on l,b galactic coordinates

**2nd step:** 2 E(B-V) + 30 photometric fluxes  $\implies$  N.N. classification  $\implies$   $P_{\text{star}}, P_{\text{gal}}, P_{\text{QSO}}$

**3rd step:** If:  $p_{\text{class}} > 0.70 \implies$  Object is flagged with the corresponding class **else:** Object is flagged as “*Unsure*”

**4th step:** Based on SOM  $\implies$   $d_{\text{SOM}} > 1.562 \implies$  Object is flagged as “*Extrapolated*”

**5th step:** Only objects flagged as “*Galaxies*”  $\implies$  N.N. photo-z estimation  $\implies$   $z_{\text{phot},0}$

**6th step:** Monte Carlo sampling

100 multivariate Gaussian random samples with std= mag errors

100 realizations of the N.N. photo-z estimation

100  $z_{\text{phot},0}$  values  $\implies$  Median =  $z_{\text{phot}}$

**7th step:** Based on SOM  $\implies$  Galaxies with  $d_{\text{SOM}} > 1.244 \implies$  Object is flagged as “*Extrapolated*”

# Validation Results

T1 : galaxy classified as galaxy

T0 : non-galaxy classified as non-galaxy

F1: non- galaxy classified as galaxy

F0: galaxy classified as non-galaxy

Metrics for the evaluation of the classification model

Purity =  $T1/(T1+F1)$ , Completeness =  $T1/(T1+F0)$ , Overall success =  $(T1+T0)/(T1+T0+F1+F0)$

**Table 2.** Classification metrics for the galaxy, star and quasar classes, for different  $b$  decision boundary choices: P, the purity; C, the completeness; and S, the overall success rate. The fiducial decision boundary is  $b = 0.7$ . The metrics were evaluated on our validation data set. See the text for a detailed description of the metrics.

$b$	Galaxy			Star			Quasar		
	P <sub>gal</sub>	C <sub>gal</sub>	S <sub>gal</sub>	P <sub>star</sub>	C <sub>star</sub>	S <sub>star</sub>	P <sub>qso</sub>	C <sub>qso</sub>	S <sub>qso</sub>
0.50	98.03%	98.86%	97.94%	94.61%	94.11%	97.75%	90.12%	85.87%	96.70%
0.60	98.30%	98.54%	97.91%	95.87%	92.62%	97.73%	92.36%	82.38%	96.57%
<b>0.70</b>	<b>98.56%</b>	<b>98.06%</b>	<b>97.77%</b>	<b>96.97%</b>	<b>90.68%</b>	<b>97.57%</b>	<b>94.17%</b>	<b>77.92%</b>	<b>96.23%</b>
0.80	98.82%	97.19%	97.38%	98.00%	87.88%	97.22%	93.99%	71.51%	93.59%
0.90	99.13%	95.03%	96.17%	98.92%	82.93%	96.41%	97.83%	60.45%	94.27%
0.95	99.34%	91.59%	94.04%	99.41%	77.64%	95.44%	98.62%	50.70%	92.99%
0.99	99.75%	64.20%	76.26%	99.79%	64.55%	92.89%	99.47%	29.09%	90.04%

**Table 3.** The same as Table 2, but the classification metrics were evaluated only on non-extrapolated sources within our validation data set.

$b$	Galaxy			Star			Quasar		
	P <sub>gal</sub>	C <sub>gal</sub>	S <sub>gal</sub>	P <sub>star</sub>	C <sub>star</sub>	S <sub>star</sub>	P <sub>qso</sub>	C <sub>qso</sub>	S <sub>qso</sub>
0.50	98.36%	99.01%	98.25%	94.88%	95.01%	97.95%	90.85%	86.64%	97.01%
0.60	98.58%	98.73%	98.22%	96.04%	93.68%	97.94%	92.92%	83.49%	96.91%
<b>0.70</b>	<b>98.77%</b>	<b>98.36%</b>	<b>98.10%</b>	<b>97.04%</b>	<b>91.89%</b>	<b>97.79%</b>	<b>94.55%</b>	<b>79.44%</b>	<b>96.60%</b>
0.80	98.97%	97.73%	97.82%	98.04%	89.22%	97.46%	96.20%	73.75%	96.05%
0.90	99.22%	96.04%	96.88%	98.94%	84.36%	96.65%	97.89%	63.53%	94.88%
0.95	99.39%	93.18%	95.10%	99.43%	79.06%	95.67%	98.65%	53.86%	93.66%
0.99	99.77%	66.44%	77.67%	99.80%	65.83%	93.06%	99.49%	31.28%	90.68%

# Validation Results

## Photo-z

**Table 4.** Photo-z accuracy metrics computed on the base and Monte-Carlo sampled redshift estimates, for all validation set galaxies, and for non-extrapolated validation set galaxies. See the text for more details.

Data set	Estimate	$\langle \Delta z_{\text{norm}} \rangle$	$\sigma(\Delta z_{\text{norm}})$	MAD( $\Delta z_{\text{norm}}$ )	$O$
All validation	$z_{\text{phot},0}$	0.0003	0.0342	0.0169	2.88%
All validation	$z_{\text{phot}}$	0.0010	0.0344	0.0170	2.99%
Non-extrapolated	$z_{\text{phot},0}$	0.0005	0.0322	0.0161	1.89%
Non-extrapolated	$z_{\text{phot}}$	0.0013	0.0323	0.0163	2.00%

Standard literature metrics:

- $\Delta z_{\text{norm}} = (z_{\text{phot}} - z_{\text{spec}})/(1+z_{\text{spec}}) \equiv$  Redshift error
- $O \equiv |\Delta z_{\text{norm}}| > 0.15$  : Outliers fraction
- $\langle \Delta z_{\text{norm}} \rangle \equiv$  Average bias (only on non-outliers)
- $\text{MAD}(\Delta z_{\text{norm}}) \equiv$  Median Absolute Deviation

Added noise from MCS

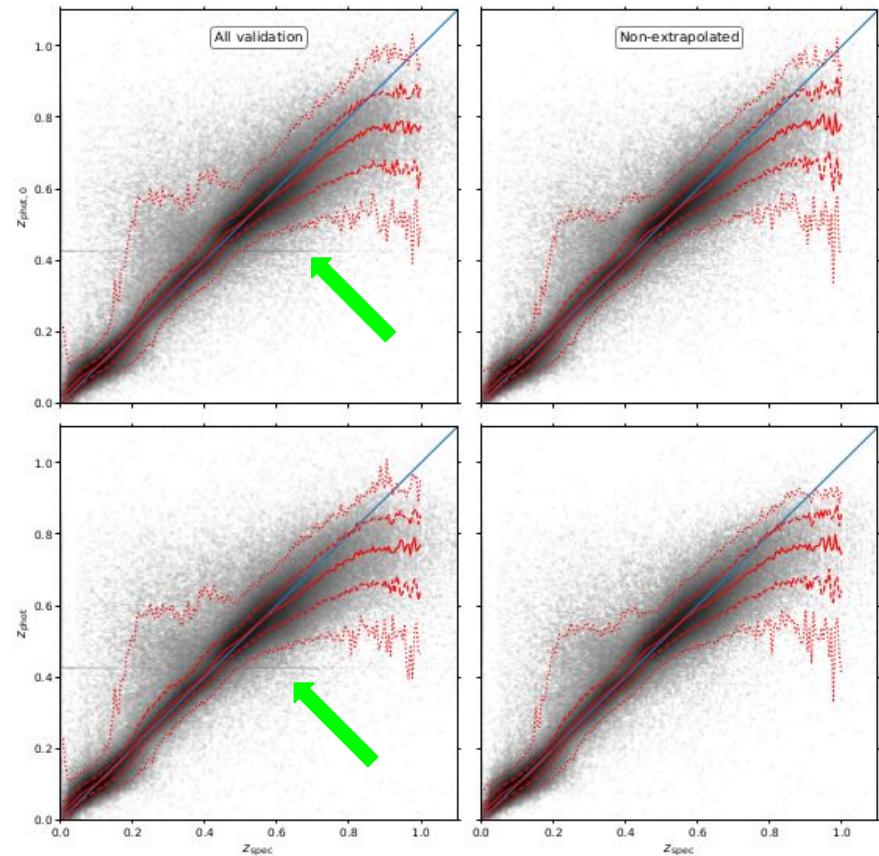


Slightly lower performance

Suggested to use :  $z_{\text{phot},0}$



# Validation Results



**Figure 3.** Photometric redshift estimation results, for the base estimate  $z_{\text{phot},0}$  and the Monte-Carlo sampled  $z_{\text{phot}}$ . The left column shows all validation set galaxies, while the right column shows only non-extrapolated validation set galaxies. In grayscale, we plot the logarithmic density of galaxies, so that even individual objects are visible. Solid, dashed and dotted lines show the sample median, 68% confidence interval, and 95% confidence interval, respectively. The main diagonal corresponds to the perfect estimation.

Extrapolated sources introduce unwanted features  
 $z_{\text{phot}} \approx 0.43$  (object with missing photometry)

## Suggestion for users :

1. Limit the analysis to Non-extrapolated sources !
2. Useful range:  $z \in [0,0.6]$  !

# Take home message

- Creation of a new catalogue (PS1  $3\pi$  DR1) including source classification and photo-z estimation by using machine learning methods
- Size: **2.902.054.648** objects
- Quantification of the parameter space of the training sample by using SOM. Definition of extrapolation boundaries

## Non-extrapolated objects

$b$	Galaxy			Star			Quasar		
	$P_{gal}$	$C_{gal}$	$S_{gal}$	$P_{star}$	$C_{star}$	$S_{star}$	$P_{qso}$	$C_{qso}$	$S_{qso}$
<b>0.70</b>	<b>98.77%</b>	<b>98.36%</b>	<b>98.10%</b>	<b>97.04%</b>	<b>91.89%</b>	<b>97.79%</b>	<b>94.55%</b>	<b>79.44%</b>	<b>96.60%</b>

- Best photo-z estimation  $z_{phot,0}$ , since MCS add extra noise
- Future plans:
  - Optimization of the N.N hyperparameters
  - Inclusion of infrared observations
- Catalogue will be publicly available via **Mikulski Archive for Space Telescopes (MAST)**

# **BACK UP**

$$B = \frac{L(\text{same source})}{L(\text{separate sources})} = \frac{2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2} \exp\left\{-\frac{\psi^2}{2(\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2)}\right\}$$

Here  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  are the astrometric errors of two given galaxies, and  $\psi$  is the angular separation between them. We accepted matches with  $B > 10,000$ , thus ensuring that we only used rather certain matches.