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QSOs selection in highly unbalanced photometric datasets: The “Michelangelo” reverse-selection method.

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I will present a novel selection method aimed at efficiently identifying high-redshift QSOs in highly unbalanced photometric datasets, characterized by a very low number of QSOs with respect to other sources. The method relies on a gradient boosting algorithm, although it may be used with any other machine learning method providing classification probabilities. I applied the selection method on a sample of photometric data obtained by PanSTARRS1 (DR2), DES (Gold Y3), Gaia (EDR3) and WISE, and I will discuss its performances, as well as a comparison to its basic, direct-selection method counterpart, showing that the former privileges the selection completeness, while the latter privileges the success rate.

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