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# Machine Learning and Deep Learning algorithms for Gaia mission data analysis

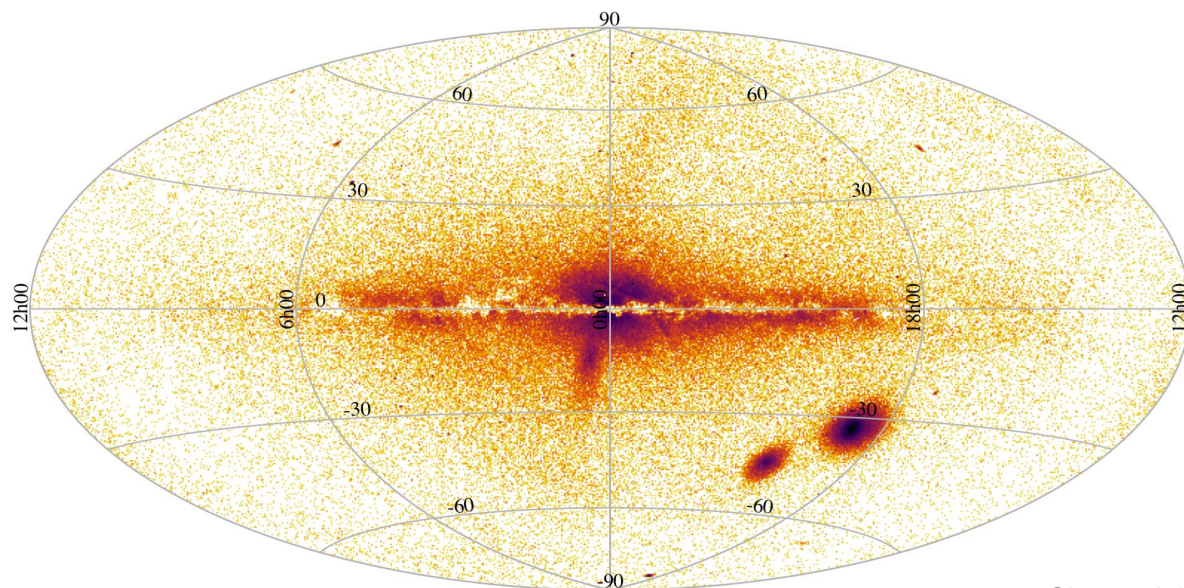
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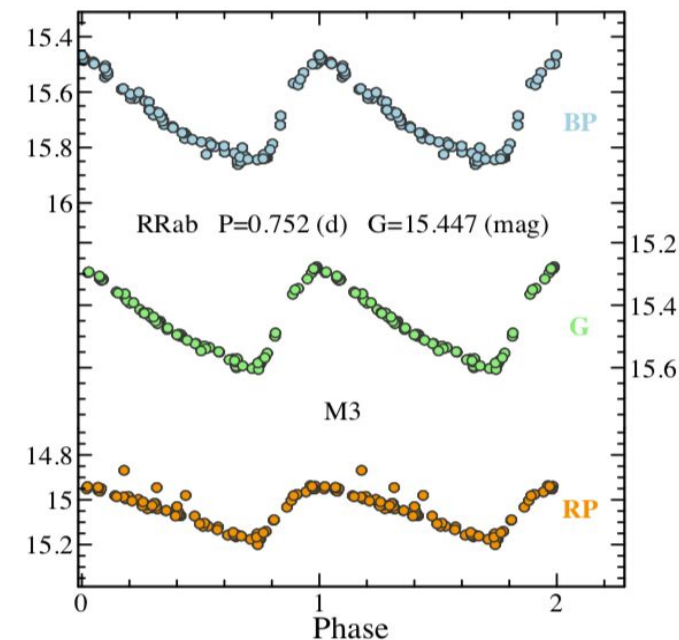
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## Scientific Rationale

- RR Lyrae stars are periodic (Period  $< 1$  day), pulsating, variable stars.
- There is a correlation between RRL's light curves and their metallicities ( $[Fe/H]$ ).
- Gaia Data Release 3 provides a catalogue of 270 905 RRLs along with their time-series photometry.



Clementini et al. (2023)



**Project Main Goal:** Derive metallicities of RR Lyrae stars from their time-series photometry data using Machine Learning/Deep Learning algorithms.

# Technical Objectives, Methodologies and Solutions

- ✓ Estimating of metallicities from the parameters of the Fourier decomposition for a limited sample (~160) of RR Lyrae stars with accurate metallicity values:
  - **Collecting** the clean sample of RR Lyrae with accurate metallicity estimates.
  - **Feature selection:** applying Sequential Feature Selector, Select K best to identify the most important parameters for determination of metallicity.
  - **ML algorithms** (e.g. XGBoost) to measure metallicities from the Fourier parameters.
  - **Bayesian** approach to fit the linear relation between Fourier parameters and metallicities.
  
- Applying all listed above methods produce a **catalogue of thousands of RR Lyrae stars** with accurate metallicity estimates.
  
- Building Neural Networks to estimate metallicity of RR Lyrae stars from time-series photometry based on the catalogue produced on the previous steps, in particular:
  - Time Series Prediction with **LSTM Recurrent Neural Networks**.
  - **Transformers architecture** applied to time-series instead of natural language.

# Timescale, Milestones and KPIs

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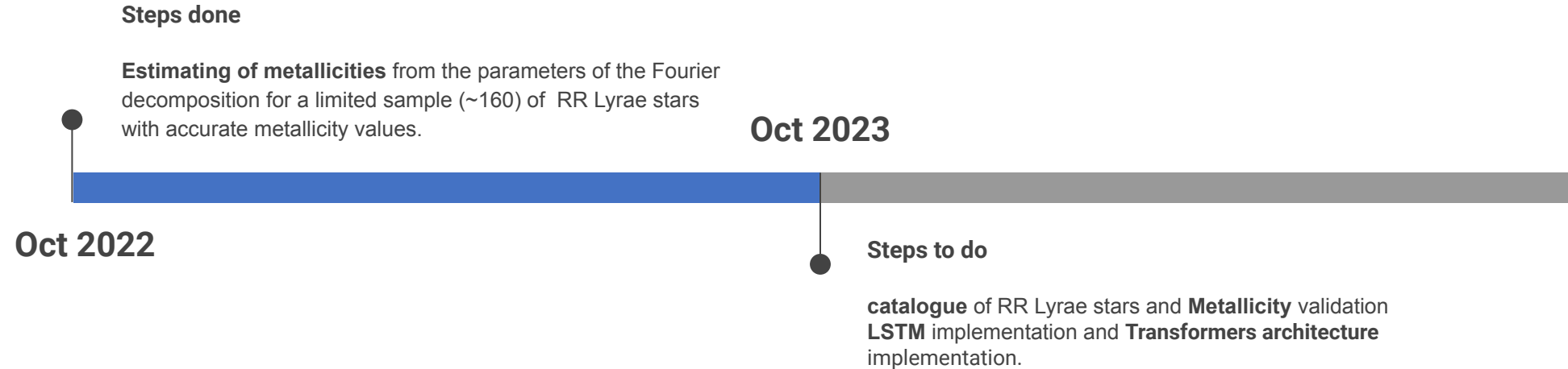
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catalogue of RR Lyrae stars and Metallicity validation	●											
Create time-series photometry Dataset			●									
LSTM implementation				●								
Transformers architecture implementation								●				

# Accomplished Work, Results



- Invited talk of **Muraveva T.** describing the results on IAU Symposium 376 “At the cross-roads of astrophysics and cosmology: Period–luminosity relations in the 2020s, 17-21 April 2023, Budapest, Hungary.
- Invited talk of **Muraveva T.** describing the results on the MW-Gaia 2023 meeting “Science and technology roadmap for  $\mu$ as studies of the Milky Way”, 18-20 July 2023, Lund, Sweden.

# Next Steps and Expected Results (by next checkpoint: April 2024)

## Next steps:

- 1) Validation of the **derived catalogue**.
- 2) Building a beta **LSTM model** for April (the next checkpoint).

## Expected results (and KPI):

- 1) Paper “*Metallicities and distances of RR Lyrae stars estimated with Machine Learning algorithms*” by Muraveva et al. submitted to MNRAS.
- 2) Validated catalogue of RR Lyrae stars with estimated metallicities published.
- 3) Open source repository released with CD/CI pipeline and automatic release.





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