

#### high-precision asteroseismology in dense stellar fields

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Credit: Gabriel Perez Diaz/Instituto de Astrofisica de Canarias





M3 mission of ESA's Cosmic Vision



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precise, accurate stellar properties (e.g. radius, mass, age to ~10%) А.

use stars as fossils to reconstruct the assembly and chemo-dynamical history of the Galaxy

Gaia astrometry





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#### B. high-precision stellar physics



• chemical composition gradients

• density stratification

• internal rotational profile

stellar interiors and their evolution accessible to our investigations



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  - overcoming these limitations i.e.
  - obtaining *Kepler*-like observations in crowded stellar fields



- - SG1
  - SG2
  - SG3

having now a better understanding of the strengths and limitations of asteroseismology, we can propose a mission design that will lead to breakthroughs in three broad areas:

> high-precision stellar astrophysics, especially in the metal poor regime

evolution and formation of stellar clusters

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#### high-precision stellar astrophysics: SG1

- Transport of chemical elements in the stellar interior
- Core rotation and transport of angular momentum
- Mass loss on the RGB
- Occurrence of mergers / products of binary evolution
- Tests of fundamental physics

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high-precision tests of stellar models, especially in the metalpoor regime (early Universe)



evolution, formation and dynamics of SG2 stellar clusters

- Globular clusters formation from absolute ages
- Origin of multiple populations
- Measuring helium content in GCs with asteroseismology
- Redistribution of angular momentum from inclination of stellar spin axes

#### 47 Tuc



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key yet complex component: disentangle the composite bulge population and its formation history

reconstruct star formation history of Sgr dSph and its interaction with the Milky Way

Gaia-based distances for ~200 million stars (Anders et al. 2019)



Data: ESA/Gaia/DPAC, A. Khalatyan(AIP) & StarHorse team; Credit: Galaxy map: NASA/JPL-Caltech/R. Hurt (SSC/Caltech)



#### complementary science

e.g.

- stellar activity
- exoplanets in clusters
- binaries
- microlensing events





Object name	d [kpc]	$m_{ m V,RC/HB}$	[Fe/H]	Age [Gyr]	ang. size
NGC 104 (47 Tuc)	4	14	-0.8	13	31'
NGC 6121 (M4)	2.2	13	-1.5	12.2	26'
NGC 6397	2.4	BHB	-1.8	13.4	32'
NGC 2682 (M67)	0.9	10.5	0.0	4.5	30'
NGC 5139 ( $\omega$ Cen)	4.9	14	broad	broad	36'
Bulge	6-10	I > 14	broad	broad	wide
Sgr dSph	25	18-20	broad	broad	$450' \times 216'$



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Mosser et al. 2019

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high-precision asteroseismic data define:

photometric noise

frequency resolution

possible mission profile

small field of view (< 1deg) sub-arcsec pixel size diameter of the collecting area (D) duration of the observations (T)





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promote development of the next generation of stellar models ensure continued European scientific leadership in these areas



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