

OCCASO – II. Physical parameters and Fe abundances of red clump stars in 18 open clusters

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ABSTRACT

Open clusters have long been used to study the chemodynamical evolution of the Galactic disc. This requires a homogeneously analysed sample covering a wide range of ages and distances. In this paper, we present the Open Clusters Chemical Abundances from Spanish Observatories (OCCASO) second data release. This comprises a sample of high-resolution ($R > 65\,000$) and high signal-to-noise spectra of 115 red clump stars in 18 open clusters. We derive atmospheric parameters (T_{eff} , $\log g$, ξ), and [Fe/H] abundances using two analysis techniques: equivalent widths and spectral synthesis. A detailed comparison and a critical review of the results of the two methods are made. Both methods are carefully tested between them, with the *Gaia* FGK benchmark stars, and with an extensive sample of literature values. We perform a membership study using radial velocities and the resulting abundances. Finally, we compare our results with a chemodynamical model of the Milky Way thin disc concluding that the oldest open clusters are consistent with the models only when dynamical effects are taken into account.

Key words: techniques: spectroscopic – Galaxy: disc – open clusters and associations: general.

1 INTRODUCTION

The Open Clusters Chemical Abundances from Spanish Observatories (OCCASO) survey (Casamiquela et al. 2016, hereafter [Paper I](#)) is a high-resolution spectroscopic survey of open clusters (OCs). It was designed to obtain accurate radial velocities and homogeneous chemical abundances for around 30 different species in northern OCs. A list of 25 candidate OCs was selected taking into account ages, metallicities and positions in the Galactic disc. In [Paper I](#), there is a full description of the motivation, design and strategy of the survey. Also radial velocities for 77 stars in 12 OCs were analysed to obtain an accurate membership selection. We included a very detailed description of the used instruments and the observational strategy. In brief, OCCASO observations are performed with

high-resolution echelle spectrographs available at Spanish Observatories: Calar Alto Fiber-fed Echelle spectrograph (CAFE) at the 2.2-m telescope in the Centro Astronómico Hispano-Alemán (CAHA), Fibre-fed Echelle Spectrograph (FIES) at the 2.5 m Nordic Optical Telescope (NOT) in the Observatorio del Roque de los Muchachos (ORM) and High Efficiency and Resolution Mercator Echelle Spectrograph (HERMES) at the 1.2-m Mercator telescope also in the ORM. These instruments have similar resolution $R \geq 65\,000$ and wavelength range coverages $4000 \text{ \AA} \leq \lambda \leq 9000 \text{ \AA}$. The typical obtained signal-to-noise ratios (SNR) were around 70.

In this paper, we present the analysis of atmospheric parameters and iron abundances for the whole sample of stars in 18 OCs: 12 OCs from [Paper I](#) (observations completed by 2015 January), plus six new OCs (38 stars) finished until 2016 August. The analysis is done using two different methods widely used in the literature: equivalent widths (EW) and spectral synthesis (SS). A detailed analysis of the differences found using

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both methods is performed as well as a wide comparison with the literature.

The analysed OCs cover Galactocentric distances between 6.8 and 10.7 kpc, and ages between 300 Myr and 10.2 Gyr. This coverage allows a first investigation of the iron abundance gradient in the Milky Way disc and its change with time. Our sample has the advantage that is done from high-resolution spectra, it is large and has been analysed homogeneously. Our data allow the study of up to 35 chemical species, which will be analysed in a further paper in preparation.

This paper is organized as follows. We present an overview of the used data in Section 2, the analysis strategy is detailed in Section 3, which includes the used line list in Section 3.1, model atmosphere in Section 3.2 and the description of the analysis methods in Section 3.3. The calculation of the atmospheric parameters is detailed in Section 4, where we include the comparison between the two methods (Section 4.1), the results for the benchmark stars (Section 4.2) and an external check with photometric parameters (Section 4.3). Results on iron abundances are presented in Section 5, where we include an analysis of the performance of the methods (Section 5.1). An analysis cluster-by-cluster is done in Section 6, and an extensive comparison with the literature in Section 7. Finally, a preliminary discussion related to the Galactic disc gradients is presented in Section 8, and the summary is provided in Section 9.

2 OCCASO SECOND DATA RELEASE

The second data release of OCCASO includes the analysis of high-resolution spectra of 115 stars belonging to 18 OCs. The details of the observational material can be found in Section 2.1. The general properties of the 18 OCs are summarized in Table 1, where the six added clusters with respect to Paper I are marked in bold. Colour-magnitude diagrams (CMDs) from the available photometries for these six OCs are plotted in Fig. 1. CMDs for the previous 12 OCs were presented in Paper I.

Radial velocity measurements for the 38 stars in the six added OCs will be detailed in a future paper (Casamiquela et al., in preparation). We have made a membership analysis of these OCs using the same criteria as in Paper I. That is, rejecting those stars that have a v_r not compatible at the 3σ level of the radial velocity of the cluster. We have found three probable non-member stars or spectroscopic binaries: NGC 6791 W3899, NGC 6939 W130 and NGC 7245 W045.

2.1 Observational material

The current work uses observations of the runs described in Paper I (53 nights of observations between 2013 January and 2015 January), which include data for 12 OCs. And also we incorporate five additional runs: 28 nights between 2015 April and 2016 August. This makes a total of 81 nights of observations. With the whole set of data, we are capable to analyse 115 stars in 18 OCs. Additionally, Arcturus (α -Bootes) and μ -Leo, two extensively studied stars, part of the *Gaia* FGK benchmark stars (GBS; Heiter et al. 2015b) and of the Apache Point Observatory Galactic Evolution Experiment (APOGEE; Frinchaboy et al. 2013) reference stars, were observed with the three telescopes for the sake of comparison. Details of the runs (2015 April–2016 August), dates, instruments and radial velocity accuracies will be described in Casamiquela et al. (in preparation).

We have modified the data reduction strategy with respect to the one explained in Paper I to improve the quality of the final spectra.

Table 1. Clusters of OCCASO completed by the end of 2016 August. Newly added clusters to those of Paper I are marked in bold. Distance from the Sun D , R_{GC} , z are from Dias et al. (2002). We list the V magnitude of the red clump and the number of stars observed. The photometry used to select the target stars is indicated as a footnote.

Cluster	D (kpc)	R_{GC} (kpc)	z (pc)	Age (Gyr)	V_{RC}	Num. stars
IC 4756 ¹	0.48	8.14	+41	0.8 ^a	9	8
NGC 188 ²	1.71	9.45	+651	6.3 ^a	12.5	6
NGC 752 ³	0.46	8.80	−160	1.2 ^a	9	7
NGC 1817 ⁴	1.97	10.41	−446	1.1 ^a	12.5	5
NGC 1907 ⁵	1.80	10.24	+9	0.4 ^b	9	6
NGC 2099 ⁶	1.38	9.87	+74	0.4 ^c	12	7
NGC 2420 ⁷	2.48	10.74	+833	2.2 ^a	12.5	7
NGC 2539 ⁸	1.36	9.37	+250	0.6 ^d	11	6
NGC 2682 ⁹	0.81	9.16	+426	4.3 ^a	10.5	8
NGC 6633 ¹⁰	0.38	8.20	+54	0.6 ^e	8.5	4*
NGC 6705 ¹¹	1.88	6.83	−90	0.3 ^f	11.5	8
NGC 6791 ¹²	5.04	8.24	+953	10.2 ^a	14.5	7
NGC 6819 ¹³	2.51	8.17	+370	2.9 ^a	13	6
NGC 6939 ¹⁴	1.80	8.86	+384	1.3 ^g	13	6
NGC 6991 ¹⁵	0.70	8.47	+19	1.3 ^h	10	6
NGC 7245 ¹⁶	3.47	9.79	−112	0.4 ⁱ	13	6
NGC 7762 ¹⁴	0.78	8.86	+79	2.5 ^j	12.5	6
NGC 7789 ¹⁷	1.80	9.41	−168	1.8 ^a	13	7

Note. ¹Alcaino (1965); ²Platais et al. (2003); ³Johnson (1953); ⁴Harris & Harris (1977); ⁵Pandey et al. (2007); ⁶Kiss et al. (2001); ⁷Anthony-Twarog et al. (1990); ⁸Choo et al. (2003); ⁹Montgomery, Marschall & Janes (1993); ¹⁰Harmer et al. (2001); ¹¹Sung et al. (1999); ¹²Stetson, Bruntt & Grundahl (2003); ¹³Rosvick & Vandenberg (1998); ¹⁴Maciejewski & Niedzielski (2007); ¹⁵Kharchenko et al. (2005); ¹⁶Subramaniam & Bhatt (2007); ¹⁷McNamara & Solomon (1981) and Mochajska & Kaluzny (1999).

^a Salaris, Weiss & Percival (2004); ^bSubramaniam & Sagar (1999); ^cNilakshi & Sagar (2002); ^dChoo et al. (2003); ^eJeffries et al. (2002); ^fCantat-Gaudin et al. (2014b); ^gAndreu et al. (2004); ^hKharchenko et al. (2005); ⁱSubramaniam & Bhatt (2007); ^jCarraro, Semenko & Villanova (2016).

*It has only four stars in the RC but was included for observation in a night with non-optimal weather conditions.

We have built our own pipeline (see Appendix A) to perform skyline subtraction, telluric correction, normalization and order merging. These improvements do not change the radial velocities from Paper I, but they are important for the atmospheric parameters and the abundances determination.

2.1.1 Benchmark stars

Aside of our own observational material, we also analyse a sample of GBS. The GBS are a set of calibration stars, covering different regions of the Hertzsprung–Russell (HR) diagram and spanning a wide range in metallicity. For these stars, there exist enough data to determine effective temperature and surface gravity independently from spectroscopy by using their angular diameter measurements and bolometric fluxes. These determinations and related uncertainties are fully described in Heiter et al. (2015b). Reference metallicities also exist for these stars, and are determined from a careful spectroscopic study by Jofré et al. (2014).

We retrieved the data from the library of high-resolution optical spectra of the GBS (Blanco-Cuaresma et al. 2014a). This library includes 100 high SNR spectra of 34 stars from the

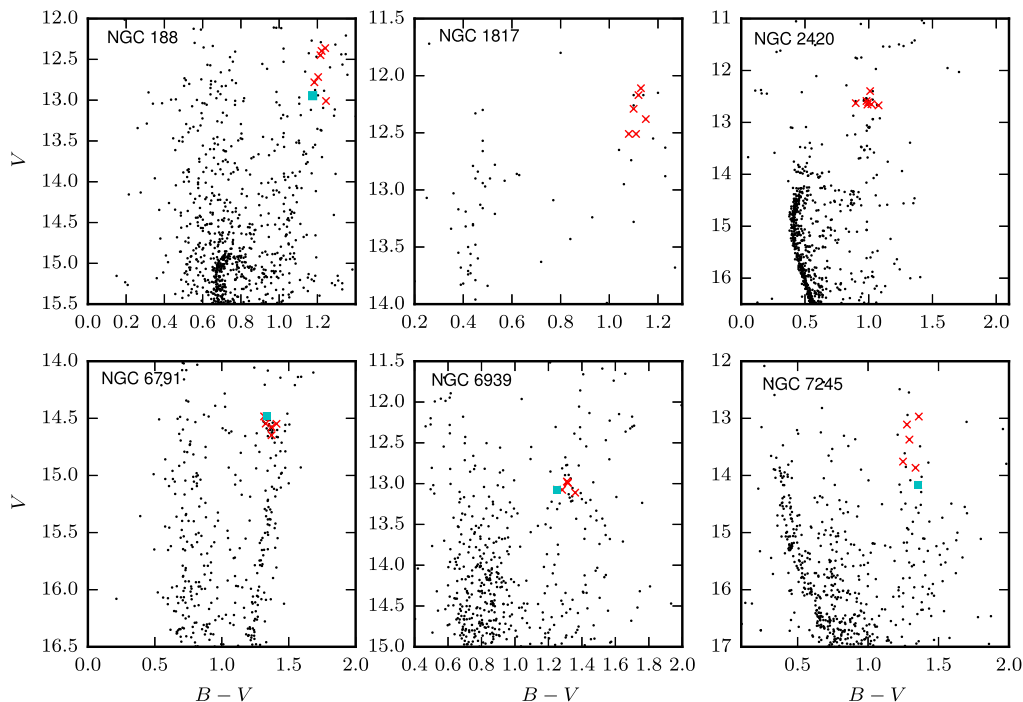


Figure 1. $(B - V)$, V colour–magnitude diagrams of the newly completed clusters (references are listed in Table 1). The red crosses indicate target stars, and cyan squares indicate stars that we have found to be probably non-members or spectroscopic binaries from the radial velocity study.

spectrographs High Accuracy Radial velocity Planet Searcher (HARPS), NARVAL, Ultraviolet and Visual Echelle Spectrograph (UVES) and Echelle SpectroPolarimetric Device for the Observation of Stars (ESPaDOnS), which cover the visual spectral range ($4800 \text{ \AA} \leq \lambda \leq 6800 \text{ \AA}$). Taking into account our target stars, we have selected the GBS that covered the appropriate range of the parameter space: $4000 \leq T_{\text{eff}} \leq 6650 \text{ (K)}$, $1.1 \leq \log g \leq 4.5$, $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] \geq -1.5$, with 23 GBS fulfilling these criteria. We have degraded the resolution of the spectra to a common resolution of 62 000 to analyse them homogeneously with our OCCASO spectra.

3 ANALYSIS STRATEGY

The high-resolution and large wavelength coverage of the spectra allows for the determination of a large number of astrophysical quantities: effective temperature (T_{eff}), surface gravity ($\log g$), microturbulence (ξ), overall stellar metallicity $[\text{M}/\text{H}]$ and individual abundances for more than 30 chemical species.

In this section, we summarize the analysis strategy: line list used, adopted model atmospheres and analysis methods.

3.1 Line list

We used the *Gaia*-ESO Survey (GES) line list that is a compilation of experimental and theoretical atomic and molecular data that are being updated and improved regularly. It is convenient for our study because it covers the wavelength range of our instruments, it has been extensively used in the literature and its atomic parameters are recent. Details of this compilation are provided in Heiter et al. (2015a).

In the present work, we have used version 5, which covers a wavelength range $4200 \text{ \AA} \leq \lambda \leq 9200 \text{ \AA}$. Collisional broadening by hydrogen is treated considering the theory by Anstee, Barklem

and O’Mara (Anstee & O’Mara 1991; Barklem & O’Mara 1998). It contains atomic information for 35 different chemical species: Li, C, N, O, Na, Mg, Al, Si, S, K, Ca, Sc, Ti, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Zn, Rb, Sr, Y, Zr, Mo, Ru, Ba, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu and Dy.

We have used two different analysis methods (see Section 3.3), so, even though the master line list is the same, each method chooses independently the most suitable lines. The line selection by each method is explained in Section 3.3.

3.2 Model atmospheres

We adopted the MARCS grid¹ model atmospheres of Gustafsson et al. (2008). It is an extensive grid of 10^4 spherically symmetric models (supplemented with plane-parallel for the highest surface gravities) for stars with $2500 \text{ K} \leq T_{\text{eff}} \leq 8000 \text{ K}$, $0 \leq \log g \leq 5 \text{ (cgs)}$ with various masses and radii, and $-5 \leq [\text{M}/\text{H}] \leq +1$. Underlying assumptions in addition to 1D stratification (spherical or plane-parallel) include hydrostatic equilibrium, mixing-length convection and local thermodynamic equilibrium. The standard MARCS models assume solar abundances of Grevesse, Asplund & Sauval (2007) and α -enhancement at low metallicities.

3.3 Analysis methods

There are two state-of-the-art methodologies currently employed in the literature: EW and SS. We used these two approaches to determine atmospheric parameters and abundances. The strategy of applying multiple pipelines to determine atmospheric parameters and abundances is applied in other surveys such as the GES (Gilmore et al. 2012), as explained in Smiljanic et al. (2014). This strategy has the advantage that allows the investigation of method-dependent

¹ <http://marcs.astro.uu.se/>

effects, different sources of uncertainty, and provides an estimation of the accuracy of the derived parameters and abundances.

Both methods ran independently on the same spectra, with a common master line list and model atmospheres to guarantee some internal consistency.

3.3.1 EW: DAOSPEC+GALA

DAOSPEC+GALA is our EW method. It consists in two steps performed by two different codes.

First, EWs were measured using DOOP (Cantat-Gaudin et al. 2014a) that is an automatic wrapper for DAOSPEC (Stetson & Pancino 2008). DAOSPEC is a FORTRAN code that finds absorption lines in a stellar spectrum, fits the continuum, measures EWs, identifies lines from a provided line list and gives a radial velocity estimate. DOOP optimizes the most critical DAOSPEC parameters in order to obtain the best measurements of EWs. In brief, it fine tunes the full width at half-maximum (FWHM) and the continuum placement among other parameters, through a fully automatic and iterative procedure.

The determination of the atmospheric parameters was done with the GALA code (Mucciarelli et al. 2013). It is based on the set of Kurucz abundance calculation codes (WIDTH9; Sbordone et al. 2004; Kurucz 2005). GALA optimizes atmospheric parameters (T_{eff} , $\log g$, ξ , [M/H]) using the classical spectroscopic method based on iron lines. The T_{eff} is optimized by minimizing the slope of the iron abundance versus excitation potential. The difference of abundances between neutral iron Fe I and ionized iron Fe II lines is used to constrain the surface gravity. The angular coefficient in the iron abundance EW is used to optimize the microturbulence and the average Fe abundance to constrain the global metallicity of the model. GALA measures the line abundances and performs a rejection of lines of the same chemical species using a threshold on too weak or too strong lines [we use $-5.9 \lesssim \log(\frac{\text{EW}}{\lambda}) \lesssim -4.7$], a limit in the EW error measured by DAOSPEC (we choose ~ 15 per cent depending on the SNR of the star) and finally performing a σ clipping rejection in abundance (we choose 2.5σ).

To select the lines for this method we use pre-selection of the Gaia-ESO v5 master line list. This compilation is done by one of the GES nodes (Donati, private communication), and it is suitable for an EW analysis since lines are checked for blends with synthesis. We further perform a cleaning process to select lines that provide consistent abundances, and to get rid of blends or lines with bad atomic parameters. This process is divided in two steps. First, Fe I and Fe II lines detected by DAOSPEC in less than three stars were rejected. This provides a better determination of the FWHM and the continuum placement. Afterwards, Fe I and Fe II lines that were rejected by GALA in all the stars or that gave systematically discrepant abundances with respect to the mean Fe abundance were discarded. The cleaned line list fed to DAOSPEC is detailed in Table 2.

3.3.2 SS: ISPEC

ISPEC (Blanco-Cuaresma et al. 2014b) is a tool that can be used to perform spectroscopic manipulations such as determine/correct radial velocities, normalize and degrade the spectral resolution. And more importantly, it also offers the possibility to derive atmospheric parameters and chemical abundances by using the EW method and the SS fitting technique with many different atomic line lists, model atmosphere and radiative transfer codes.

In this work, ISPEC was used to prepare the custom library of GBS (as described in Section 2.1.1) and a customized pipeline was

Table 2. Fe I and Fe II lines within our line list, used by the EW analysis method. References for the $\log gf$ are listed in the last column. When two references separated by comma are listed, it means that the mean value of the $\log gf$ is taken. When two references separated by ‘|’ are listed, it means that the $\log gf$ from the first source was brought on to the same scale as the second. The complete version of the table is available as online data. Here, only few lines are shown.

λ (Å)	Element	χ (eV)	$\log gf$	Ref
5012.695	Fe I	4.283	-1.690	MRW
5044.211	Fe I	2.851	-2.038	BK, BWL
5058.496	Fe I	3.642	-2.830	RW70 FMW
5088.153	Fe I	4.154	-1.680	MRW

Note. References – MRW: May, Richter & Wichelmann (1974), R14: Ruffoni et al. (2014), K07: Kurucz (2007), BWL: O’Brian et al. (1991), BK: Bard & Kock (1994), GESHL14: Den Hartog et al. (2014), RW70: Richter & Wulff (1970), FMW: Fuhr, Martin & Wiese (1988), GESB82c: Blackwell et al. (1982a), GESB79c: Blackwell, Petford & Shallis (1979b), BKK: Bard et al. (1991), WBW: Wolnik, Berthel & Wares (1971), WBW70: Wolnik, Berthel & Wares (1970), BIPS: Blackwell et al. (1979a), GESHL14: Den Hartog et al. (2014), GESB82d: Blackwell, Petford & Simmons (1982b), GESB86: Blackwell et al. (1986), FW06: Fuhr & Wiese (2006), KKS84: Kock, Kroll & Schne-hage (1984), RU: Raassen & Uylings (1998), MB09: Meléndez & Barbuy (2009).

developed to analyse OCCASO targets using the SS technique. ISPEC compares regions of the observed spectrum with synthetic ones generated on-the-fly using SPECTRUM (Gray & Corbally 1994). A least-square algorithm minimizes the differences between the synthetic and observed spectra until it converges into a final set of atmospheric parameters.

In the analysis by ISPEC, the line selection was done based on the automatic detection of absorption lines in the NARVAL solar spectrum included in the GBS library. Each line was cross-matched with the atomic line list and we derived solar line-by-line chemical abundances using the reference atmospheric parameters for the Sun. Good lines lead to abundances similar to the solar ones (i.e. Grevesse et al. 2007); thus, we selected all lines with an abundance that falls in the range ± 0.05 dex. Additionally, in our analysis we used the wings of H α/β and Mg triplet, which helps us to break degeneracies.

4 ATMOSPHERIC PARAMETERS

Our final goal is to calculate detailed abundances from the spectra. To do so, one has to first determine atmospheric parameters T_{eff} , $\log g$, ξ and [M/H] to then derive individual abundances from a fixed model atmosphere for each line/species.

4.1 Results from GALA and iSPEC

Both methods analysed the same data set of 115 stars corresponding to 18 OCs, as well as the reference stars Arcturus and μ -Leo observed with every instrument. For 17 out of these 117 stars we repeated observations with more than one instrument, for comparison purposes. In total, we analysed 154 spectra, 62 corresponding to FIES, 81 to HERMES and 11 to CAFE.

The two pipelines have run letting all the atmospheric parameters free for the 154 spectra. Fig. 2 shows the comparison of the resulting T_{eff} and $\log g$ with GALA and ISPEC. The dispersion in effective temperature (57 K) is compatible with the errors estimated by the

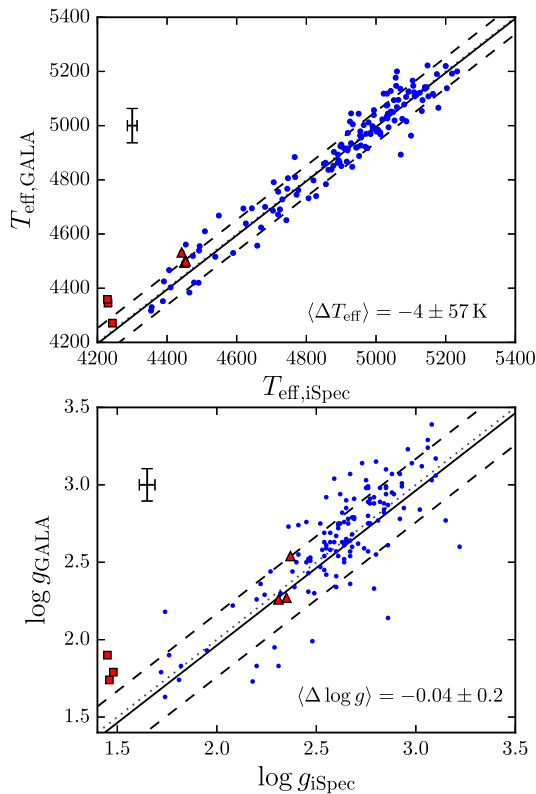


Figure 2. Comparison of the effective temperature and surface gravity from GALA and ISPEC analysis. Red symbols indicate the values of Arcturus (squares) and μ -Leo (triangles). The solid line stands for the mean difference, and the dashed lines indicate the 1σ level. The dotted line is the 1:1 relation. In the top left corner of each panel, we plot the mean errors in X- and Y-axis.

GALA, 68 K in average, but not with ISPEC ones, 14 K (mean errors are drawn in the plot). The dispersion in surface gravity (0.2 dex) is large considering the mean errors (0.11 and 0.04, respectively, drawn in the plot). It is well known that surface gravity is the most difficult quantity to derive from spectroscopy. Comparing the results of GALA and ISPEC, we obtain differences similar with other studies in the literature, like GES iDR1 and iDR2 node-to-node dispersions (Smiljanic et al. 2014).

In Table 3, we list the T_{eff} , $\log g$ and ξ and their errors, derived by the two methods. If we compare between methods we see that the T_{eff} dispersion is consistent with the uncertainties. For $\log g$, at least one of the error estimations is too optimistic.

4.1.1 Arcturus and μ -Leo

Among the OCCASO data, we have observations of two GBS (Arcturus and μ -Leo) representative of the parameter space covered by the targeted OCs. Both stars were observed with the three instruments as well. As explained in Section 2.1.1, the GBS have determinations of atmospheric parameters independently from spectroscopy and reference metallicities. We compare the results obtained from the two methods with the reference values in Table 4. We computed the mean value and standard deviation for each parameter from all the observed spectra. We also list in parentheses the mean error reported by each method. These two determinations of the internal error of the method are roughly of the same order.

For both stars, GALA is reporting larger errors and also finds larger dispersions than ISPEC in T_{eff} and $\log g$, but not in metallicity.

From the comparison with the reference values from Heiter et al. (2015b), we obtain an excellent agreement in effective temperature. Differences in gravity are of the same order in both methods: for μ -Leo both methods underestimate by approximately the same amount; for Arcturus, ISPEC underestimates it but GALA overestimates it. However, Arcturus has a large uncertainty in $\log g$ as a GBS, and as quoted by the authors (Heiter et al. 2015b) it can be used for validation purposes only if the large error is taken into account. The differences found in atmospheric parameters are compatible with the quoted errors.

The differences in iron abundances are compatible within 3σ with the dispersions found between the three instruments but not compatible with the mean errors quoted by the methods. In the case of Arcturus, both methods slightly underestimate the abundance. For μ -Leo GALA slightly overestimates the abundance and ISPEC underestimates it by 0.12 dex. It is a metal-rich star with many blended lines; thus, EW methods that are not able to reproduce blends as well as SS methods tend to provide higher abundances. Still, the EW method matches the reference value while the SS method gives a lower abundance than the reference. It is worth noting that the GBS reference metallicities were obtained based on a spectroscopic analysis where several methods were averaged, which can bias the reference result to one analysis methodology.

4.2 Benchmark stars

As a sanity check to ensure the validity of our analysis, we analysed 67 spectra from 23 GBS using the same line list, atmosphere models and strategy as in the case of OCCASO stars.

We compare the results of our analysis with the reference ones described in Heiter et al. (2015b) in Fig. 3. We remark with vertical green lines the Arcturus and μ -Leo spectra, the two GBS also observed in OCCASO. We obtain overall offsets that are compatible at 1σ level with the dispersions in both T_{eff} and $\log g$. The results are available in Table 5. The highest differences are found for β -Ara and η -Boo. For β -Ara, its reference parameters are uncertain and should not be used as a reference for calibration or validation purposes (see table 10 in Heiter et al. 2015b). η -Boo has the highest rotational velocity of all GBS (12.7 km s^{-1}), see table 1 in Jofré et al. (2014), which makes the spectroscopic analysis more uncertain.

We also tested the iron abundances derived by the two methods with the GBS sample. Each pipeline analysed the spectra of the selected GBS using its own atmospheric parameters. In Fig. 4, we compare the Fe abundance results from GALA and ISPEC, with the reference values in Jofré et al. (2014). We assign the internal dispersion given by all the lines divided by the square root of the number of lines, plus a fixed quantity that comes from the dispersion between both methods. Both methods show good agreement.

We calculated the dispersion in each parameter of the different observations of the stars that have more than one spectrum. The mean value of these dispersions are T_{eff} : 9, 24 K; $\log g$: 0.02, 0.06 dex; and [Fe/H]: 0.01, 0.01 dex (ISPEC and GALA, respectively). All are smaller than the dispersions of the comparison with reference values.

4.3 Photometric parameters

We did an additional independent check of the spectroscopic results by performing a comparison with photometric T_{eff} and $\log g$. We used precise BVI Johnson photometry (Stetson 2000; Stetson, private communication) for two clusters in the sample, NGC 2420

Table 3 – *continued*

Cluster	Star	RA	Dec.	V	SNR	Instr	T_{eff}	$\log g$ EW	ξ	T_{eff}	$\log g$ SS	ξ	T_{eff}	$\delta_2 T$	$\log g$	$\delta_1 \log g$	$\delta_2 \log g$	[Fe/H] _{EW}	[Fe/H] _{SS}	σ [Fe/H]
NGC 6991	W034	20:53:37.68	+47:12:23.66	10.30	80	CAFE	5076 ± 47	3.14 ± 0.09	1.15 ± 0.06	5032 ± 15	2.98 ± 0.03	1.44 ± 0.02	5054	31	3.06	0.06	0.11	-0.07 ± 0.04	-0.09 ± 0.05	0.01
					73	FIES	5128 ± 63	3.17 ± 0.09	1.09 ± 0.08	5042 ± 16	3.10 ± 0.04	1.33 ± 0.02	5085	39	3.14	0.06	0.05	0.05 ± 0.05	-0.02 ± 0.05	0.04
	W043	20:53:50.82	+47:05:06.75	10.08	71	CAFE	5068 ± 45	2.85 ± 0.09	1.35 ± 0.07	5059 ± 15	2.94 ± 0.04	1.54 ± 0.02	5063	30	2.90	0.06	0.06	-0.02 ± 0.04	-0.05 ± 0.05	0.02
	W049	20:54:01.74	+47:25:49.16	10.17	95	CAFE	5118 ± 58	3.23 ± 0.05	1.04 ± 0.07	5021 ± 14	2.96 ± 0.03	1.54 ± 0.02	5069	36	3.10	0.04	0.19	-0.04 ± 0.04	-0.08 ± 0.05	0.02
W067					90	FIES	5177 ± 49	3.39 ± 0.04	1.15 ± 0.08	5056 ± 15	3.08 ± 0.03	1.34 ± 0.02	5116	32	3.24	0.04	0.22	0.04 ± 0.05	0.01 ± 0.05	0.02
					70	CAFE	4917 ± 47	2.54 ± 0.13	1.31 ± 0.07	4907 ± 15	2.61 ± 0.04	1.63 ± 0.02	4912	31	2.58	0.08	0.05	-0.06 ± 0.04	-0.11 ± 0.05	0.02
					70	FIES	4930 ± 64	2.78 ± 0.12	1.27 ± 0.14	4900 ± 13	2.66 ± 0.04	1.51 ± 0.02	4915	38	2.72	0.08	0.08	0.00 ± 0.05	-0.04 ± 0.05	0.02
	W100	20:55:03.98	+47:19:20.03	9.87	77	CAFE	5095 ± 58	3.01 ± 0.10	1.20 ± 0.09	5064 ± 14	2.93 ± 0.04	1.48 ± 0.02	5079	36	2.97	0.07	0.06	0.02 ± 0.04	-0.03 ± 0.05	0.02
W131					71	CAFE	5118 ± 47	3.15 ± 0.05	1.21 ± 0.08	5032 ± 12	2.80 ± 0.04	1.49 ± 0.02	5075	29	2.98	0.04	0.25	0.01 ± 0.04	0.00 ± 0.05	0.00
					81	FIES	5057 ± 48	2.99 ± 0.05	1.21 ± 0.06	4993 ± 13	2.76 ± 0.04	1.45 ± 0.02	5025	30	2.88	0.04	0.16	0.03 ± 0.05	-0.03 ± 0.05	0.03
	W045	22:15:14.90	54:20:4.10	13.87	64	FIES	4893 ± 101	2.14 ± 0.16	1.44 ± 0.17	5071 ± 14	2.86 ± 0.04	1.61 ± 0.02	4982	57	2.50	0.10	0.51	0.12 ± 0.06	0.01 ± 0.06	0.06
	W045	22:15:17.50	54:18:26.90	13.11	75	FIES	5005 ± 71	2.45 ± 0.09	1.21 ± 0.07	4933 ± 16	2.54 ± 0.04	1.47 ± 0.02	4969	43	2.50	0.06	0.06	0.09 ± 0.05	0.01 ± 0.05	0.04
W095					74	FIES	5023 ± 58	2.69 ± 0.08	1.62 ± 0.13	5017 ± 16	2.57 ± 0.04	1.61 ± 0.02	5020	37	2.63	0.06	0.08	-0.02 ± 0.05	0.01 ± 0.05	0.02
	W178	22:15:5.40	54:22:43.60	13.76	72	FIES	5166 ± 75	2.75 ± 0.12	1.26 ± 0.08	5105 ± 16	2.77 ± 0.05	1.26 ± 0.03	5135	45	2.76	0.08	0.01	0.04 ± 0.05	0.06 ± 0.06	0.01
	W179	22:15:5.40	54:22:49.40	12.97	78	FIES	5045 ± 51	2.76 ± 0.08	1.68 ± 0.13	4928 ± 13	2.45 ± 0.04	1.66 ± 0.02	4986	32	2.60	0.06	0.22	0.08 ± 0.05	0.10 ± 0.05	0.01
	W0002	23:49:48.40	+68:01:35.14	12.56	66	HERMES	4798 ± 67	2.69 ± 0.08	1.23 ± 0.07	4820 ± 14	2.54 ± 0.03	1.40 ± 0.02	4809	40	2.62	0.06	0.11	0.04 ± 0.04	-0.02 ± 0.05	0.03
NGC 7762	W0003	23:49:49.26	+68:01:07.35	12.88	58	HERMES	4700 ± 48	2.53 ± 0.14	1.19 ± 0.08	4681 ± 13	2.47 ± 0.04	1.33 ± 0.02	4690	30	2.50	0.09	0.04	-0.01 ± 0.05	-0.07 ± 0.05	0.03
	W0084	23:50:13.52	+68:03:02.57	12.24	67	HERMES	5052 ± 56	2.88 ± 0.07	1.27 ± 0.06	5042 ± 12	2.79 ± 0.04	1.42 ± 0.02	5047	34	2.84	0.06	0.06	0.06 ± 0.04	0.02 ± 0.05	0.02
	W0110	23:49:06.13	+67:59:08.58	12.56	63	HERMES	4859 ± 46	2.94 ± 0.07	1.15 ± 0.06	4850 ± 13	2.62 ± 0.04	1.38 ± 0.02	4854	29	2.78	0.06	0.23	0.09 ± 0.04	0.01 ± 0.05	0.04
	W0125	23:49:15.74	+68:05:32.14	12.57	68	HERMES	4838 ± 34	2.63 ± 0.10	1.16 ± 0.06	4871 ± 13	2.59 ± 0.03	1.32 ± 0.02	4854	23	2.61	0.06	0.03	0.01 ± 0.04	-0.04 ± 0.05	0.02
NGC 7789	W0139	23:50:59.35	+68:00:36.61	12.80	56	HERMES	4784 ± 35	2.34 ± 0.09	1.17 ± 0.04	4856 ± 16	2.60 ± 0.04	1.39 ± 0.02	4820	25	2.47	0.06	0.18	0.01 ± 0.04	-0.11 ± 0.05	0.06
	W05862	23:56:57.38	+56:36:54.69	12.98	46	HERMES	4988 ± 49	2.75 ± 0.08	1.27 ± 0.05	4990 ± 17	2.76 ± 0.05	1.37 ± 0.03	4989	33	2.76	0.06	0.01	-0.01 ± 0.04	-0.11 ± 0.05	0.05
	W07176	23:57:12.50	+56:50:00.41	12.84	50	HERMES	4935 ± 60	2.90 ± 0.09	1.15 ± 0.06	4928 ± 16	2.65 ± 0.05	1.42 ± 0.02	4931	38	2.78	0.07	0.18	0.08 ± 0.04	-0.03 ± 0.05	0.06
	W07714	23:57:18.57	+56:50:26.72	13.01	46	HERMES	4903 ± 63	2.75 ± 0.08	1.05 ± 0.07	4879 ± 17	2.62 ± 0.05	1.39 ± 0.03	4891	40	2.68	0.06	0.09	0.05 ± 0.04	-0.07 ± 0.05	0.06
W08260					48	HERMES	4867 ± 71	2.63 ± 0.10	0.99 ± 0.09	4915 ± 18	2.65 ± 0.05	1.15 ± 0.03	4891	44	2.64	0.08	0.01	0.03 ± 0.05	-0.09 ± 0.05	0.06
	W08556	23:57:27.60	+56:45:39.20	12.97	88	FIES	5012 ± 68	2.98 ± 0.08	1.33 ± 0.09	4978 ± 11	2.82 ± 0.03	1.46 ± 0.02	4995	39	2.90	0.06	0.11	0.02 ± 0.05	0.00 ± 0.05	0.01
	W08734	23:57:29.65	+56:42:23.23	12.69	90	FIES	5015 ± 56	2.91 ± 0.09	1.05 ± 0.10	4925 ± 12	2.69 ± 0.03	1.39 ± 0.02	4970	34	2.80	0.06	0.16	0.15 ± 0.05	0.04 ± 0.05	0.06
	W10915	23:57:54.51	+56:47:43.46	12.82	75	FIES	4985 ± 74	2.89 ± 0.10	1.07 ± 0.12	5005 ± 14	2.82 ± 0.04	1.38 ± 0.02	4995	44	2.86	0.07	0.05	0.08 ± 0.05	-0.01 ± 0.05	0.04
				49	HERMES	4975 ± 38	2.75 ± 0.08	1.04 ± 0.05	5010 ± 17	2.77 ± 0.05	1.13 ± 0.03	4992	27	2.76	0.06	0.01	0.07 ± 0.04	-0.02 ± 0.05	0.04	

Table 4. Effective temperature, surface gravity and metallicity for Arcturus and μ -Leo obtained from OCCASO data using GALA and iSPEC. The errors indicate the dispersion found between the three instruments, and in parenthesis the mean of the errors reported by the methods. Reference values are from Heiter et al. (2015b) and Jofré et al. (2014). The differences (ours – reference) are in the last three columns.

Star	$T_{\text{eff,ref}}$ (K)	$\log g_{\text{ref}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{ref}}$	Method	T_{eff} (K)	$\log g$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$	ΔT_{eff} (K)	$\Delta \log g$	$\Delta [\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$
Arcturus	4286 ± 35	1.64 ± 0.20	-0.52 ± 0.08	iSPEC	4234 ± 8 (5)	1.46 ± 0.02 (0.02)	-0.55 ± 0.04 (0.05)	-52	-0.18	-0.03
				GALA	4325 ± 47 (54)	1.81 ± 0.08 (0.14)	-0.54 ± 0.03 (0.05)	39	0.17	-0.02
μ -Leo	4474 ± 60	2.51 ± 0.11	0.25 ± 0.15	iSPEC	4448 ± 6 (5)	2.34 ± 0.03 (0.02)	0.13 ± 0.05 (0.06)	-26	-0.17	-0.12
				GALA	4508 ± 20 (98)	2.36 ± 0.16 (0.20)	0.27 ± 0.06 (0.05)	34	-0.15	0.02

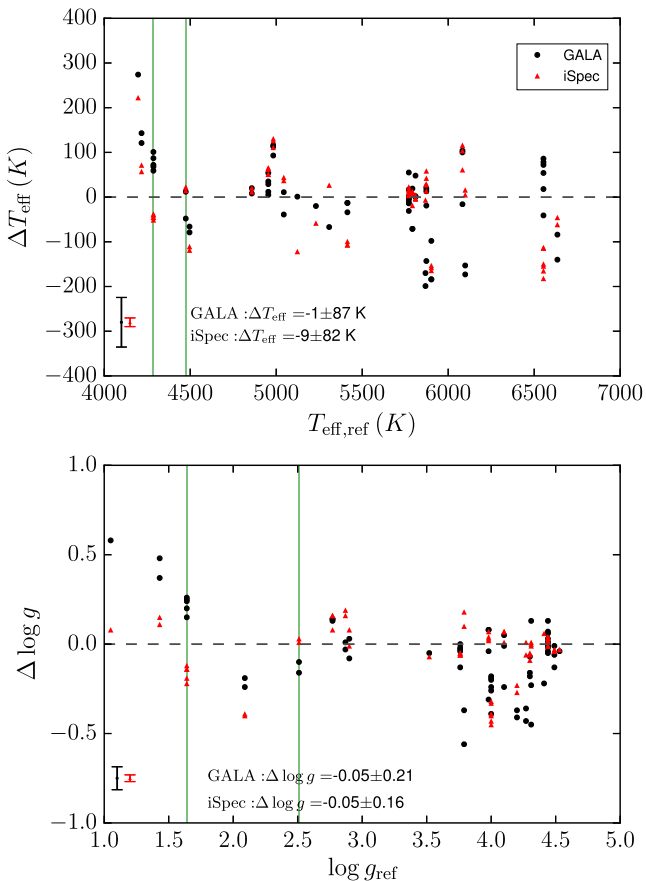


Figure 3. Differences in effective temperature (top panel) and surface gravity (bottom panel), between GALA and reference value (black dots), and iSPEC and reference value (red triangles), for GBS library spectra described in Section 2.1.1. The two vertical green lines indicate Arcturus and μ -Leo. Mean error bars are plotted on the bottom-left of each panel. Differences are calculated in the sense: this study – reference. Reference values are taken from Heiter et al. (2015b).

and NGC 6791. These are one of the most metal-rich and one of the most metal-poor clusters in the sample.

Photometric T_{eff} was obtained using Alonso, Arribas & Martínez-Roger (1999) colour–temperature empirical relations as a function of the dereddened colour $(B - V)_0$ and the metallicity (equation 4 from their table 2). Photometric surface gravity is derived from T_{eff} using fundamental relations:

$$\log \left(\frac{g}{g_{\odot}} \right) = 0.4(M_{\text{bol}} - M_{\text{bol},\odot}) + \log \left(\frac{m}{m_{\odot}} \right) + 4 \log \left(\frac{T_{\text{eff}}}{T_{\text{eff},\odot}} \right), \quad (1)$$

where $\log g_{\odot}$, $M_{\text{bol},\odot}$, m_{\odot} and $T_{\text{eff},\odot}$ are the surface gravity, bolometric magnitude, mass and effective temperature of the Sun, respectively,² and m is the mass of the star derived from the isochrone fitting.³ The bolometric magnitude of the star was calculated from the bolometric correction for giants using Alonso et al. (1999) prescriptions $M_{\text{bol}} = V_0 + BC_V$.

We also derived parameters from $(V - I)$ colour. To do so, we calculated extinction in $V - I$ assuming $\frac{A_I}{A_V} = 0.479$ (Cardelli, Clayton & Mathis 1989). A similar relation as for $(B - V)_0$ is provided for $(V - I)_0$ by Alonso et al. (1999) to derive T_{eff} . Surface gravity was derived in the same way using these temperatures.

We compare the photometric results with the spectroscopic ones in Fig. 5. The adopted input parameters for the two clusters: reddening $E(B - V)$, distance modulus $(V_0 - M_V)$, age and metallicity are indicated in Table 6. For the two clusters, we compute the mean T_{eff} and $\log g$, from the spectroscopic and photometric analysis in Table 7. The dispersion of the spectroscopic parameters within each cluster is around 1.7 and 5.7 times higher (in T_{eff} and $\log g$, respectively) than the photometric one. This is compatible within 1σ and $2-3\sigma$, respectively, with the mean uncertainties of the methods.

Both determinations are compatible within $1-2\sigma$, though we find systematic differences that are not the same for the two analysed clusters. Photometric results are very sensitive to the assumed cluster parameters. Any variation in reddening, distance or age within the given errors changes the overall offset with respect to spectroscopic parameters. However, the internal dispersion among the stars of the same cluster remains constant. We have assigned as error the dispersion in photometric parameters when changing $E(B - V)$, $(V_0 - M_V)$ and $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ by $\pm \sigma_i$.

4.4 Adopted T_{eff} and $\log g$

We checked the consistency of the stars repeated with the three instruments and we do not find any significant systematic offset.

Since the results are compatible and the differences are at the level of the expected uncertainties of the analysis, we decided to fix T_{eff} and $\log g$ to the average results from both methods to do the chemical analysis. This approach is a statistically consistent way to combine two results of the same physical quantity that do not show any systematic offset. Moreover, this helps to disentangle the discrepancies in the determination of chemical abundances from the discrepancies due to the propagation of errors from different T_{eff} or $\log g$. Additionally, this strategy allows us to provide an estimation of the external uncertainty (method dependent) for each star, aside of the error quoted by each pipeline in the derivation of the parameters.

² We assume $\log g_{\odot} = 4.438$, $M_{\text{bol},\odot} = 4.74$ and $T_{\text{eff},\odot} = 5772$ K following the IAU recommendations (Prša et al. 2016).

³ We have used PARSEC isochrones (Bressan et al. 2012).

Table 5. Results of effective temperature, surface gravity and metallicity for the set of GBS calculated by GALA and ISPEC. The reference values are from Heiter et al. (2015b) and Jofré et al. (2014).

Star ID	$T_{\text{eff, ref}}$	$\log g_{\text{ref}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{ref}}$	$T_{\text{eff, EW}}$	$\log g_{\text{EW}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{EW}}$	$T_{\text{eff, SS}}$	$\log g_{\text{SS}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{SS}}$
HARPS_HD22879	5868	4.27	-0.86	5669 ± 23	3.84 ± 0.06	-0.960 ± 0.045	5861 ± 15	4.21 ± 0.02	-0.850 ± 0.045
NARVAL_HD22879	5868	4.27	-0.86	5698 ± 26	3.91 ± 0.04	-0.940 ± 0.046	5895 ± 16	4.28 ± 0.03	-0.830 ± 0.044
NARVAL_μCas	5308	4.41	-0.81	5241 ± 40	4.19 ± 0.05	-0.840 ± 0.047	5334 ± 15	4.47 ± 0.02	-0.810 ± 0.044
HARPS_HD220009	4217	1.43	-0.74	4338 ± 29	1.91 ± 0.05	-0.640 ± 0.046	4288 ± 5	1.58 ± 0.02	-0.710 ± 0.048
NARVAL_HD220009	4217	1.43	-0.74	4360 ± 38	1.80 ± 0.06	-0.610 ± 0.047	4274 ± 6	1.54 ± 0.02	-0.720 ± 0.047
HARPS_εFor	5123	3.52	-0.60	5124 ± 26	3.47 ± 0.06	-0.540 ± 0.045	5001 ± 8	3.45 ± 0.02	-0.650 ± 0.044
ATLAS_Arcturus	4286	1.64	-0.52	4354 ± 43	1.90 ± 0.06	-0.430 ± 0.047	4240 ± 7	1.50 ± 0.02	-0.550 ± 0.051
HARPS_Arcturus	4286	1.64	-0.52	4345 ± 41	1.89 ± 0.07	-0.440 ± 0.047	4234 ± 3	1.42 ± 0.02	-0.570 ± 0.049
NARVAL_Arcturus	4286	1.64	-0.52	4373 ± 42	1.79 ± 0.09	-0.500 ± 0.047	4248 ± 5	1.45 ± 0.02	-0.590 ± 0.050
UVES_Arcturus-1	4286	1.64	-0.52	4387 ± 52	1.84 ± 0.07	-0.500 ± 0.047	4245 ± 6	1.52 ± 0.02	-0.590 ± 0.049
UVES_Arcturus	4286	1.64	-0.52	4358 ± 52	1.88 ± 0.08	-0.490 ± 0.047	4240 ± 3	1.50 ± 0.01	-0.590 ± 0.049
ESPADONS_τCet-1	5414	4.49	-0.49	5380 ± 40	4.43 ± 0.04	-0.460 ± 0.047	5307 ± 5	4.46 ± 0.01	-0.490 ± 0.044
HARPS_τCet	5414	4.49	-0.49	5401 ± 39	4.48 ± 0.05	-0.440 ± 0.047	5307 ± 10	4.45 ± 0.02	-0.500 ± 0.044
NARVAL_τCet	5414	4.49	-0.49	5401 ± 47	4.36 ± 0.06	-0.450 ± 0.047	5314 ± 10	4.45 ± 0.02	-0.490 ± 0.044
ESPADONS_HD49933-1	6635	4.20	-0.41	6551 ± 48	3.83 ± 0.08	-0.450 ± 0.046	6589 ± 10	3.97 ± 0.02	-0.440 ± 0.045
HARPS_HD49933	6635	4.20	-0.41	6495 ± 77	3.79 ± 0.09	-0.460 ± 0.048	6573 ± 15	3.93 ± 0.04	-0.470 ± 0.045
HARPS_HD107328	4496	2.09	-0.33	4417 ± 41	1.85 ± 0.07	-0.410 ± 0.046	4377 ± 3	1.69 ± 0.02	-0.490 ± 0.050
NARVAL_HD107328	4496	2.09	-0.33	4430 ± 36	1.90 ± 0.08	-0.410 ± 0.047	4385 ± 4	1.70 ± 0.02	-0.490 ± 0.050
HARPS_βHyi-w	5873	3.98	-0.04	5730 ± 41	3.67 ± 0.06	-0.120 ± 0.046	5902 ± 10	4.00 ± 0.02	-0.050 ± 0.043
UVES_βHyi-1	5873	3.98	-0.04	5892 ± 42	4.06 ± 0.05	-0.090 ± 0.047	5915 ± 11	4.02 ± 0.02	-0.050 ± 0.044
UVES_βHyi-2	5873	3.98	-0.04	5886 ± 43	4.06 ± 0.04	-0.080 ± 0.047	5886 ± 18	4.01 ± 0.02	-0.070 ± 0.043
UVES_βHyi	5873	3.98	-0.04	5854 ± 37	3.94 ± 0.04	-0.090 ± 0.047	5931 ± 8	4.05 ± 0.01	-0.040 ± 0.044
HARPS_βAra	4197	1.05	-0.05	4471 ± 145	1.63 ± 0.26	0.040 ± 0.050	4419 ± 4	1.13 ± 0.02	-0.110 ± 0.056
ESPADONS_Procyon-1	6554	4.00	0.01	6626 ± 55	3.80 ± 0.06	0.000 ± 0.046	6439 ± 4	3.67 ± 0.02	-0.110 ± 0.044
HARPS_Procyon	6554	4.00	0.01	6632 ± 66	3.82 ± 0.06	0.030 ± 0.046	6404 ± 7	3.60 ± 0.02	-0.130 ± 0.045
NARVAL_Procyon	6554	4.00	0.01	6640 ± 61	3.74 ± 0.10	0.050 ± 0.047	6441 ± 5	3.68 ± 0.02	-0.100 ± 0.045
UVES_Procyon	6554	4.00	0.01	6572 ± 56	3.76 ± 0.06	-0.010 ± 0.046	6399 ± 3	3.61 ± 0.01	-0.130 ± 0.045
UVES_Procyon-1	6554	4.00	0.01	6608 ± 50	3.81 ± 0.05	-0.030 ± 0.046	6389 ± 5	3.57 ± 0.02	-0.140 ± 0.045
UVES_Procyon-2	6554	4.00	0.01	6513 ± 56	3.61 ± 0.08	-0.040 ± 0.047	6372 ± 7	3.55 ± 0.03	-0.150 ± 0.045
ESPADONS_18Sco-1	5810	4.44	0.03	5858 ± 44	4.57 ± 0.05	0.080 ± 0.047	5814 ± 12	4.48 ± 0.02	0.080 ± 0.043
HARPS_18Sco	5810	4.44	0.03	5812 ± 37	4.45 ± 0.05	0.050 ± 0.046	5805 ± 16	4.45 ± 0.02	0.060 ± 0.043
NARVAL_18Sco	5810	4.44	0.03	5810 ± 43	4.43 ± 0.05	0.060 ± 0.047	5807 ± 12	4.47 ± 0.02	0.080 ± 0.042
ATLAS_Sun	5771	4.44	0.03	5826 ± 41	4.51 ± 0.04	0.010 ± 0.047	5793 ± 8	4.48 ± 0.01	0.050 ± 0.043
HARPS_Sun-1	5771	4.44	0.03	5766 ± 45	4.42 ± 0.05	0.000 ± 0.046	5778 ± 11	4.43 ± 0.02	0.020 ± 0.043
HARPS_Sun-2	5771	4.44	0.03	5740 ± 45	4.45 ± 0.04	0.000 ± 0.046	5786 ± 10	4.45 ± 0.02	0.020 ± 0.043
HARPS_Sun-3	5771	4.44	0.03	5767 ± 41	4.40 ± 0.06	0.010 ± 0.046	5781 ± 13	4.43 ± 0.02	0.020 ± 0.044
HARPS_Sun-4	5771	4.44	0.03	5759 ± 44	4.43 ± 0.05	0.000 ± 0.046	5776 ± 8	4.43 ± 0.01	0.020 ± 0.043
NARVAL_Sun-1	5771	4.44	0.03	5788 ± 43	4.50 ± 0.05	0.030 ± 0.047	5783 ± 8	4.46 ± 0.01	0.030 ± 0.042
NARVAL_Sun	5771	4.44	0.03	5757 ± 51	4.44 ± 0.06	-0.020 ± 0.047	5787 ± 32	4.45 ± 0.05	0.010 ± 0.044
UVES_Sun-1	5771	4.44	0.03	5770 ± 84	4.47 ± 0.05	0.010 ± 0.047	5774 ± 9	4.45 ± 0.01	0.020 ± 0.043
UVES_Sun-2	5771	4.44	0.03	5773 ± 84	4.39 ± 0.05	-0.010 ± 0.047	5774 ± 20	4.46 ± 0.03	0.020 ± 0.043
HARPS_δEri-w	4954	3.76	0.06	4966 ± 75	3.73 ± 0.04	0.130 ± 0.047	5018 ± 5	3.70 ± 0.01	0.100 ± 0.047
NARVAL_δEri	4954	3.76	0.06	4989 ± 46	3.74 ± 0.07	0.100 ± 0.047	5019 ± 7	3.71 ± 0.02	0.110 ± 0.045
UVES_δEri-1	4954	3.76	0.06	4983 ± 51	3.76 ± 0.05	0.090 ± 0.048	5004 ± 10	3.70 ± 0.02	0.090 ± 0.046
UVES_δEri-2	4954	3.76	0.06	4959 ± 54	3.72 ± 0.04	0.110 ± 0.049	5005 ± 17	3.70 ± 0.03	0.090 ± 0.045
UVES_δEri	4954	3.76	0.06	5008 ± 48	3.63 ± 0.05	0.120 ± 0.048	5016 ± 6	3.71 ± 0.01	0.100 ± 0.047
HARPS_βGem	4858	2.90	0.13	4878 ± 37	2.82 ± 0.05	0.140 ± 0.047	4878 ± 5	2.89 ± 0.02	0.070 ± 0.047
UVES_βGem	4858	2.90	0.13	4866 ± 55	2.93 ± 0.07	0.050 ± 0.047	4869 ± 11	2.98 ± 0.02	0.070 ± 0.047
ESPADONS_εVir	4983	2.77	0.15	5096 ± 51	2.90 ± 0.06	0.200 ± 0.047	5113 ± 7	2.93 ± 0.02	0.160 ± 0.046
HARPS_εVir	4983	2.77	0.15	5099 ± 44	2.91 ± 0.05	0.230 ± 0.047	5094 ± 5	2.85 ± 0.02	0.130 ± 0.046
NARVAL_εVir	4983	2.77	0.15	5076 ± 54	2.91 ± 0.07	0.210 ± 0.047	5109 ± 7	2.93 ± 0.02	0.150 ± 0.045
ESPADONS_ξHya-1	5044	2.87	0.16	5005 ± 39	2.84 ± 0.07	0.090 ± 0.047	5088 ± 8	3.06 ± 0.01	0.120 ± 0.046
HARPS_ξHya	5044	2.87	0.16	5055 ± 38	2.88 ± 0.05	0.140 ± 0.047	5081 ± 8	3.03 ± 0.02	0.110 ± 0.046
ESPADONS_βVir-1	6083	4.10	0.24	6187 ± 85	4.15 ± 0.05	0.210 ± 0.047	6199 ± 9	4.17 ± 0.01	0.200 ± 0.043
HARPS_βVir	6083	4.10	0.24	6067 ± 109	3.86 ± 0.06	0.150 ± 0.047	6144 ± 12	4.11 ± 0.02	0.160 ± 0.044
NARVAL_βVir	6083	4.10	0.24	6183 ± 98	4.09 ± 0.05	0.230 ± 0.047	6186 ± 11	4.17 ± 0.02	0.200 ± 0.043
HARPS_αCenB-w	5231	4.53	0.22	5211 ± 109	4.49 ± 0.05	0.210 ± 0.047	5172 ± 7	4.50 ± 0.01	0.240 ± 0.045
HARPS_αCenA	5792	4.31	0.26	5811 ± 48	4.44 ± 0.05	0.230 ± 0.047	5804 ± 8	4.32 ± 0.01	0.260 ± 0.044
HARPS_αCenA-w	5792	4.31	0.26	5721 ± 48	3.86 ± 0.06	0.150 ± 0.047	5800 ± 9	4.31 ± 0.01	0.260 ± 0.044
UVES_αCenA-1	5792	4.31	0.26	5721 ± 90	4.08 ± 0.08	0.180 ± 0.049	5773 ± 10	4.30 ± 0.02	0.230 ± 0.044
ESPADONS_μLeo-1	4474	2.51	0.25	4426 ± 58	2.41 ± 0.13	0.300 ± 0.050	4488 ± 4	2.52 ± 0.01	0.200 ± 0.053
NARVAL_μLeo	4474	2.51	0.25	4486 ± 98	2.35 ± 0.16	0.320 ± 0.050	4496 ± 7	2.54 ± 0.01	0.220 ± 0.053

Table 5 – continued

Star ID	$T_{\text{eff, ref}}$	$\log g_{\text{ref}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{ref}}$	$T_{\text{eff, EW}}$	$\log g_{\text{EW}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{EW}}$	$T_{\text{eff, SS}}$	$\log g_{\text{SS}}$	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_{\text{SS}}$
HARPS_ηBoo	6099	3.79	0.32	5926 ± 119	3.23 ± 0.09	0.220 ± 0.047	6114 ± 9	3.89 ± 0.02	0.340 ± 0.047
NARVAL_ηBoo	6099	3.79	0.32	5946 ± 87	3.42 ± 0.09	0.260 ± 0.047	6104 ± 14	3.97 ± 0.02	0.250 ± 0.047
HARPS_μAra	5902	4.30	0.35	5718 ± 44	4.23 ± 0.04	0.260 ± 0.047	5748 ± 12	4.21 ± 0.02	0.300 ± 0.044
UVES_μAra-1	5902	4.30	0.35	5718 ± 79	4.14 ± 0.06	0.260 ± 0.048	5744 ± 11	4.25 ± 0.02	0.300 ± 0.044
UVES_μAra-2	5902	4.30	0.35	5804 ± 60	4.12 ± 0.04	0.300 ± 0.048	5737 ± 12	4.24 ± 0.02	0.300 ± 0.044

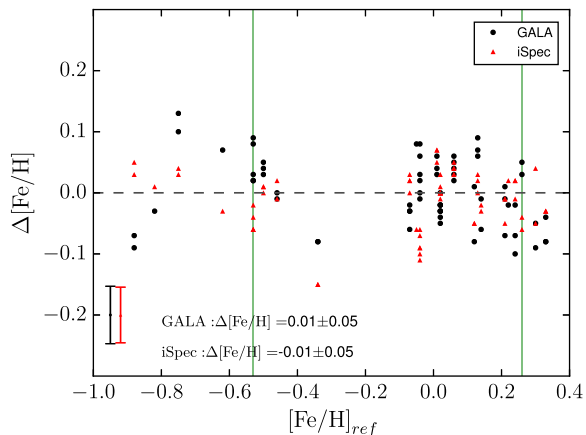


Figure 4. Differences in iron abundances between GALA and reference value (black dots), and ISPEC and reference value (red triangles), for GBS library spectra described in Section 2.1.1. The two vertical green lines correspond to Arcturus and μ-Leo. Mean error bars are plotted on the left of the panel. Differences are calculated in the sense: this study – reference. Reference values are taken from Jofré et al. (2014).

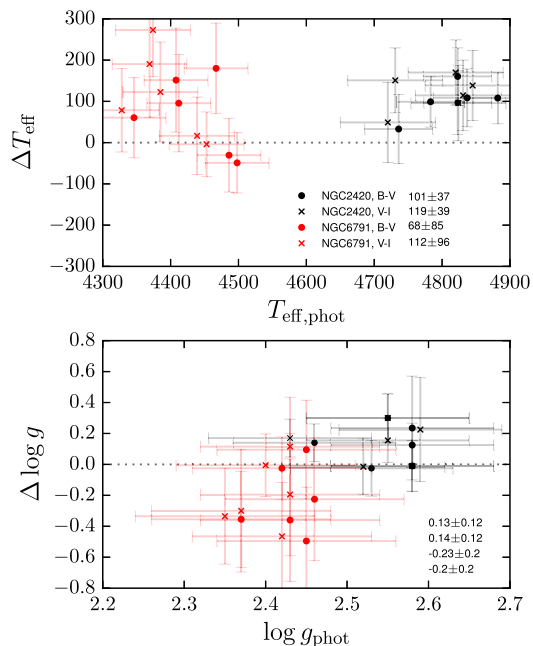


Figure 5. Differences in effective temperature and surface gravity from spectroscopy (mean of GALA and ISPEC results) and from photometry for the individual stars in NGC 2420 and NGC 6791. Mean differences and dispersions for the two OCs and the two photometries are in the bottom right.

Table 6. Adopted input cluster parameters to calculate photometric temperatures and surface gravities.

Cluster	$E(B - V)$	$(V_0 - M_V)$	$\log \text{Age}$ (Gyr)	$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$
NGC 2420 ^a	0.04 ± 0.03	11.88 ± 0.27	9.47 ± 0.17	-0.20 ± 0.06
NGC 6791 ^b	0.12 ± 0.03	13.25 ± 0.35	9.92 ± 0.02	+0.29 ± 0.08

^aReddening, distance modulus and age from Pancino et al. (2010), calculated as average measurements of different authors, metallicity from Jacobson, Pilachowski & Friel (2011), calculated as average of nine stars.

^bReddening as a mean of all previous determinations (Sandage, Lubin & Vandenberg 2003; Stetson et al. 2003; Anthony-Twarog, Twarog & Mayer 2007; Brogaard et al. 2012; Geisler et al. 2012), distance modulus from Sandage et al. (2003), age and metallicity from Brogaard et al. (2012).

Table 7. Means and standard deviations of effective temperatures and gravities for the two clusters analysed with photometry. Results from spectroscopy of GALA and ISPEC, and from $B - V$ and $V - I$ photometry.

Cluster	$T_{\text{eff, spectr}}$ (K)	$\log g_{\text{spectr}}$ (dex)	$T_{\text{eff, phot}}$ (K)	$\log g_{\text{phot}}$ (dex)
NGC 2420	GALA: 4899 ± 87	2.69 ± 0.20	$B - V$: 4814 ± 45	2.55 ± 0.04
	ISPEC: 4931 ± 64	2.66 ± 0.12	$V - I$: 4795 ± 50	2.54 ± 0.05
NGC 6791	GALA: 4507 ± 94	2.07 ± 0.34	$B - V$: 4436 ± 53	2.43 ± 0.03
	ISPEC: 4502 ± 81	2.34 ± 0.12	$V - I$: 4391 ± 43	2.40 ± 0.03

In Table 3, we list the average results of the two parameters. We indicate two sources of errors: the mean of the errors quoted by the methods δ_1 , and the standard deviation between the two values δ_2 . In general, the dispersion between the methods is similar to the mean of the errors, with mean values of δ_1 and δ_2 of: 38 and 31 K (T_{eff}), and 0.07 and 0.11 ($\log g$).

5 IRON ABUNDANCES

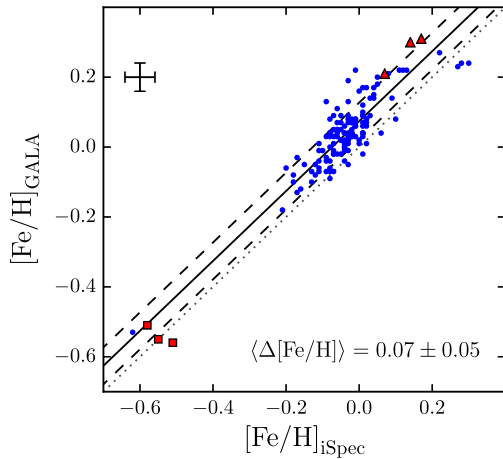
We used the average values of T_{eff} and $\log g$ shown in Table 3 to calculate the chemical abundances of the whole sample of 154 spectra in a second step.

We have followed a global differential approach relative to the Sun with the two methods. That is, subtracting the mean abundance of all lines measured in the Sun from the mean abundance of all lines observed in the star spectrum (not line-to-line). As solar abundance we derived $A(\text{Fe I})_{\odot, \text{GALA}} = 7.46 \pm 0.01$ and $A(\text{Fe I})_{\odot, \text{ISPEC}} = 7.39 \pm 0.02$ using the solar spectra provided in the GBS library (Blanco-Cuaresma et al. 2014a). In this way, we are sure that the two methods have the same internal scale.

The iron abundances derived from each method are listed in Table 3. The error assigned by the methods is the standard deviation of the abundances from each line divided by the square root of the number of used lines. We also include in Table 3 the standard deviation of the abundance derived by the two methods $\sigma[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$. This last value provides a less model-dependent estimation of the error, and its mean is 0.04 dex. We consider that a good approximation of the error in $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ derived by each method is the squared

Table 8. Variation in the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ calculated by both methods when altering atmospheric parameters by $\pm\sigma$.

Parameter	GALA	ISPEC
$d[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$	+0.027	+0.022
dT_{eff}	-0.023	-0.018
$d[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$	+0.019	+0.012
$d \log g$	-0.024	-0.010
$d[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$	-0.036	+0.004
$d\xi$	+0.034	-0.010

**Figure 6.** Results of iron abundance from GALA and ISPEC analysis. Red squares and red triangles indicate the values of Arcturus and μ -Leo (three spectra each), respectively. The solid line indicates the mean differences, and the dashed lines indicate the 1σ level. The dotted line is the 1:1 relation. In the top left corner, we plot the mean errors in X- and Y-axis.

sum of the spread of line-by-line abundance divided by the square root of the number of lines, and this value of 0.04 dex. Therefore, the mean errors are 0.047 in EW, and 0.052 in SS.

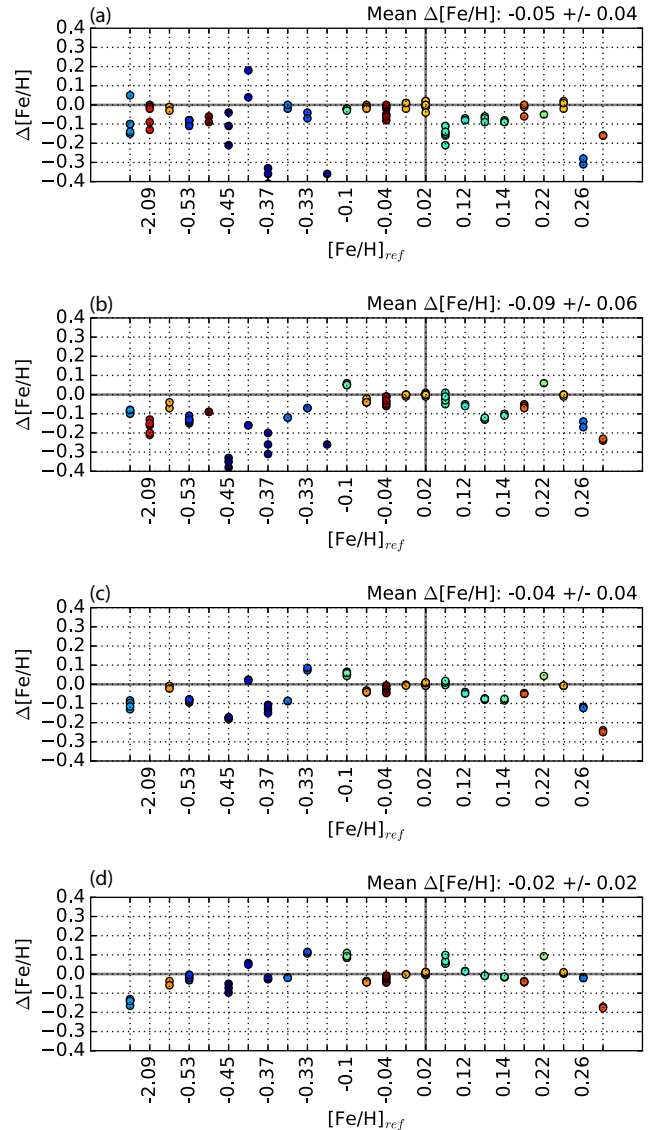
We calculated the errors in the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ due to the choice of the parameters: T_{eff} , $\log g$ and ξ . To do so, we varied the three parameters by $\pm\sigma_i$ and recomputed the abundance for five representative stars. We used as errors of T_{eff} and $\log g$ the quadratic sum of δ_1 and δ_2 in Table 3. We did this process with the two methods. The results are summarized in Table 8. These uncertainties range from -0.04 to 0.03 dex in GALA, and -0.02 to 0.02 dex in ISPEC well within the mean uncertainties of the methods.

The comparison of the iron abundances obtained by the two methods is plotted in Fig. 6. The plotted error bars are the mean of the errors quoted by the methods, plus the mean of the $\sigma[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = 0.04$ from Table 3. There exists an offset between the two determinations of 0.07 ± 0.05 .

5.1 Performance of the methods

The scale of the difference found between our spectroscopic methods is compatible with previous works that already studied this in detail (Blanco-Cuaresma et al. 2016, 2017; Hinkel et al. 2016; Jofré et al. 2017).

To better illustrate the differences between the methods for our particular case, we used ISPEC capabilities to perform SS and EW analysis. We configured ISPEC to use SPECTRUM (Gray & Corbally 1994) for SS (the same radiative transfer code used in this study) and WIDTH9 (Kurucz 1993; Sbordone et al. 2004) for the EW method

**Figure 7.** Differences in iron abundance obtained for the GBS analysis between SPECTRUM and WIDTH9. The four panels stand for the four cases mentioned in the text. The colours represent the reference temperature where blue is cold and red is hot. The Sun is indicated with a vertical grey line.

(which is the one used by GALA). Then we derived the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ for the GBS considering four different scenarios as shown in Fig. 7.

(a) We fix T_{eff} and $\log g$ to their reference value (Heiter et al. 2015b) and we derive the rest of parameters with each method independently.

(b) Like in the previous case but we also fix the microturbulence.

(c) Like in the previous case but we use only lines in common between both methods.

(d) Like in the previous case and we force the synthesis method not to synthesize blends.

The first case coincides with the strategy followed in our study and its average difference is comparable to our results. If we fix the microturbulence parameter, the dispersion per star does not improve and the overall mean difference worsen. The microturbulence is a parameter used to compensate errors and assumptions in the models

and this compensation depends on the method; thus, fixing it does not improve the agreement between both methods.

When we use only lines in common, there are three stars that get excluded from the analysis because no overlapping lines were found. Lines that are good enough for methods based on SS might not be convenient for EW (e.g. blended lines), thus the line selection is different for each method and it can be challenging to find lines in common (specially for metal-poor stars). Nevertheless, the agreement between both methods improves when using the same absorption lines.

In the fourth case, we forced the synthetic method to only synthesize the lines being analysed (ignoring the atomic lines around it) to make it more similar to the EW method. This is the case with a higher level of agreement.

This analysis shows that the differences between methods are intrinsic to how each technique works. A further quantitative study of this can be found in Jofré et al. (2017). In this paper, it is shown that EW and SS methods can be affected differently by the different assumptions (e.g. blends, wavelength shifts and continuum).

Based on our analysis, we argue that the derivation of abundances must be properly documented, where input parameters and method assumptions have to be provided to the community for better reproducibility of results, understanding of uncertainties and correct use of the data. Among the scientific community, there is no consensus on which methods are better or worse to derive spectroscopic abundances. Thus, we include the results derived by the two methods, and we are fully transparent in how our calculations are done. The reader can choose whichever he or she trusts more.

6 CLUSTER-BY-CLUSTER ANALYSIS

For each OC, we took into account the membership selection from the radial velocities done in Paper I and Casamiquela et al. (in preparation). The membership was re-analysed taking into account the metallicities derived in this work (Table 3).

We plot in Fig. 8 the two determinations (*GALA* and *ISPEC*) of [Fe/H] obtained for the stars in each OC. For the stars that have determinations with the different instruments, we plot the mean value. The cluster averaged [Fe/H] was calculated using only trustful member stars. This means that we exclude those stars with discrepant radial velocities, possible non-members or spectroscopic binaries, or stars that have not converged in the analysis. These stars are marked in red in Fig. 8.

We draw special attention to the following stars.

(i) NGC 188 W2051 has a radial velocity above the mean of the cluster, but compatible within 3σ (this cluster was not analysed in Paper I). *GALA* derives a higher [Fe/H] compared with the rest of the stars in the OC. However, *ISPEC* finds it compatible with the rest of the stars. We reject it for safety.

(ii) NGC 1907 W2087 was flagged as non-member in Paper I for having a significant difference in radial velocity with respect to the other stars in the cluster. Moreover, both *GALA* and *ISPEC* obtain a [Fe/H] that differs in more than 0.5 dex from the other stars of the cluster. We confirm that it is a non-member.

(iii) NGC 2539 W233 was flagged as spectroscopic binary in Paper I, and previously in the literature. It gave inconsistent results in the analysis by the two methods: very high gravity and temperature (4.5 dex and 6500 K) in *ISPEC*, and very low microturbulence in *GALA* compared to the other stars. This is probably because the spectral lines have a distorted shape due to the companion star. Therefore,

we do not consider it in the cluster analysis and it is not included in Fig. 8.

(iv) NGC 2682 W224 has a discrepant radial velocity in Paper I. It was flagged as member spectroscopic binary by Jacobson et al. (2011) and Geller, Latham & Mathieu (2015). The spectral analysis with both *GALA* and *ISPEC* gives results in agreement. Therefore, we consider its results of abundances in the analysis.

(v) NGC 6791 W2604 has a compatible radial velocity with the other stars in this cluster. However, *DAOSPEC* finds a large line-by-line dispersion when calculating the radial velocity: 3.2 km s^{-1} compared with $1\text{--}2.3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ obtained with the other cluster stars. Also, the mean FWHM measured for its lines is significantly higher (13 pixels approximately), compared with the other stars 8.5–10 pixels. A cross-correlation done with *ISPEC*, using a template shows two clear peaks, which indicates that it is probably a spectroscopic binary. Its results of the abundances have large errors and are quite discrepant with the other stars of the cluster. We discard its abundance to calculate the cluster mean.

(vi) NGC 6791 W3899 has a compatible radial velocity with the other stars in this cluster but it also shows two peaks in a cross-correlation, which indicates that it is a possible spectroscopic binary. We discard its abundance to calculate the cluster mean and we do not plot it in Fig. 8.

(vii) NGC 6819 W983 was flagged as spectroscopic binary in Paper I for having variable radial velocity. We could analyse this star by shifting the individual exposures to a common reference frame. It gives satisfactory results with both methods, and compatible Fe abundance. For this reason, we consider it in the cluster abundance analysis.

(viii) NGC 6939 W130 has a more than 3σ discrepant radial velocity with respect to the other cluster members. It gives an around 2σ discrepant value of the [Fe/H] so it is probably a non-member. We discard it to calculate the mean abundance.

(ix) NGC 7245 W045 has a more than 3σ discrepant radial velocity, and has a quite different [Fe/H] from the rest of cluster stars. Its abundance is higher than the rest of the stars by more than 3σ . So this star is possibly a non-member.

(x) NGC 7762 W0084 had a more than 3σ discrepant radial velocity in Paper I, pointing out that it could be a non-member. We do not consider it to compute the cluster abundance.

The sample of bona fide member stars was used to compute the cluster mean iron abundance. This value and its dispersion are indicated in Table 9. The internal dispersions within each cluster are found in the range 0.01–0.08 dex from the EW analysis, and 0.01–0.11 dex from the SS analysis. The largest dispersion for both methods corresponds to NGC 6791 0.08 and 0.11 dex for EW and SS, respectively. This is the faintest OC in our sample with SNR ~ 50 , while for the others we reach SNR ~ 70 . This may partly explain the large dispersion.

The most metal-rich OCs are NGC 6791 and NGC 6705 according to *GALA* results, and NGC 6705 is not metal-rich according to *ISPEC*. On the other hand, the most metal-poor clusters are NGC 2420, NGC 1817 and NGC 1907, for both *GALA* and *ISPEC*. We note that this is the first time chemical abundances are derived from high-resolution spectroscopy for the clusters NGC 6939, NGC 6991 and NGC 7245.

7 COMPARISON WITH LITERATURE

Previous works have analysed stars from our sample providing results obtained using different methodologies, resolution and quality

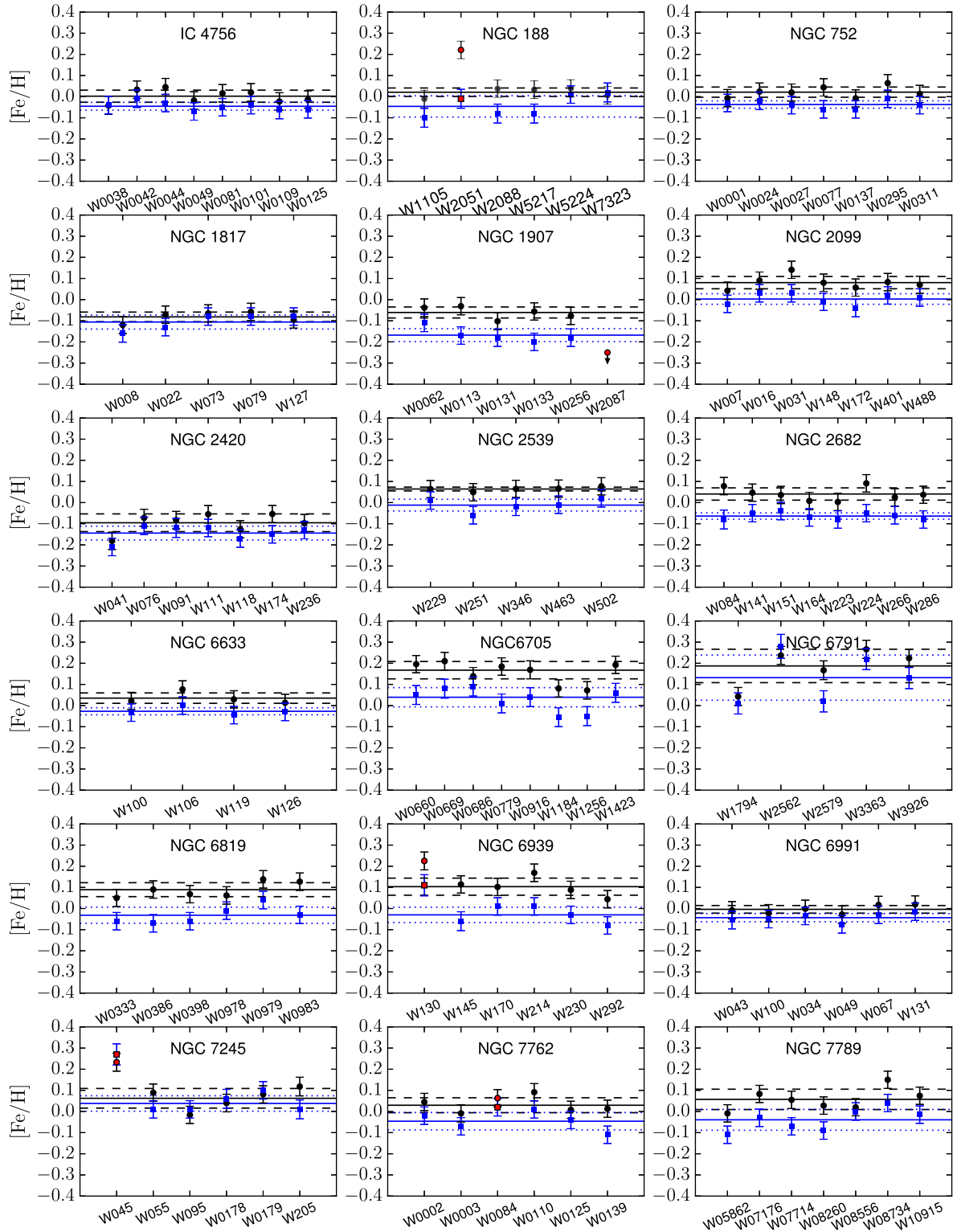


Figure 8. Iron abundances obtained for the 18 studied OCs. In black GALA results, in blue ISPEC results. Red symbols indicate probable non-members or spectroscopic binaries detected by their radial velocity or $[Fe/H]$. These stars are not used to compute the mean abundance. NGC 1907 W2087 is indicated with an arrow because it falls out of the plot. The black solid and dashed lines indicate the mean and 1σ level of GALA iron abundance, respectively. The blue solid and dotted lines indicate the mean and 1σ level of ISPEC iron abundance, respectively.

Table 9. Iron abundances from GALA and ISPEC analysis of the 18 OCs computed as the mean of the bona fide member stars. Dispersions are listed as errors. The number of stars to compute the mean in each cluster is indicated.

Cluster	[Fe/H] _{GALA}	[Fe/H] _{ISPEC}	Stars
IC 4756	0.0 ± 0.03	-0.05 ± 0.02	8
NGC 188	0.02 ± 0.02	-0.05 ± 0.05	5
NGC 752	0.02 ± 0.02	-0.04 ± 0.02	7
NGC 1817	-0.08 ± 0.02	-0.11 ± 0.03	5
NGC 1907	-0.06 ± 0.03	-0.17 ± 0.03	5
NGC 2099	0.08 ± 0.03	0.0 ± 0.02	7
NGC 2420	-0.1 ± 0.04	-0.14 ± 0.03	7
NGC 2539	0.06 ± 0.01	-0.01 ± 0.03	5
NGC 2682	0.04 ± 0.03	-0.06 ± 0.01	8
NGC 6633	0.04 ± 0.02	-0.03 ± 0.02	4
NGC 6705	0.17 ± 0.04	0.04 ± 0.05	8
NGC 6791	0.2 ± 0.08	0.19 ± 0.11	6
NGC 6819	0.09 ± 0.03	-0.03 ± 0.04	6
NGC 6939	0.1 ± 0.04	-0.03 ± 0.04	5
NGC 6991	0.02 ± 0.02	-0.04 ± 0.02	6
NGC 7245	0.06 ± 0.05	0.04 ± 0.04	5
NGC 7762	0.03 ± 0.04	-0.05 ± 0.04	5
NGC 7789	0.06 ± 0.05	-0.05 ± 0.04	7

of the spectra. A comparison of our results with those available in the literature provides an independent consistency test for our analysis. We compared the averaged values of T_{eff} , $\log g$ and the two determinations of [Fe/H] with previous measurements in the literature. This is shown in Figs 9 and 10.

In general, we find good agreement in effective temperature and surface gravity, with negligible offsets and expected dispersions: 10 ± 92 K, -0.02 ± 0.27 dex. In metallicity, both methods have the same dispersion in comparison with literature with offsets in opposite directions: 0.02 ± 0.09 dex (GALA), -0.05 ± 0.10 dex (ISPEC). These offsets are fully compatible with the quoted dispersions. More importantly, they are consistent with the comparison done in Section 5, in the sense that we find a systematic difference of 0.07 ± 0.05 dex between the two methods.

There are discrepant cases for particular stars and with some authors, mostly in $\log g$ and [Fe/H], as discussed below. For some of the concerned clusters (IC 4756, NGC 2682, NGC 6791), a detailed metallicity comparison between different authors can also be found in Heiter et al. (2014).

(i) Jacobson, Friel & Pilachowski (2007) obtained gravities around 0.5 dex lower than ours for IC 4756. However, for the same cluster Santos et al. (2009) and Pace et al. (2010) obtain

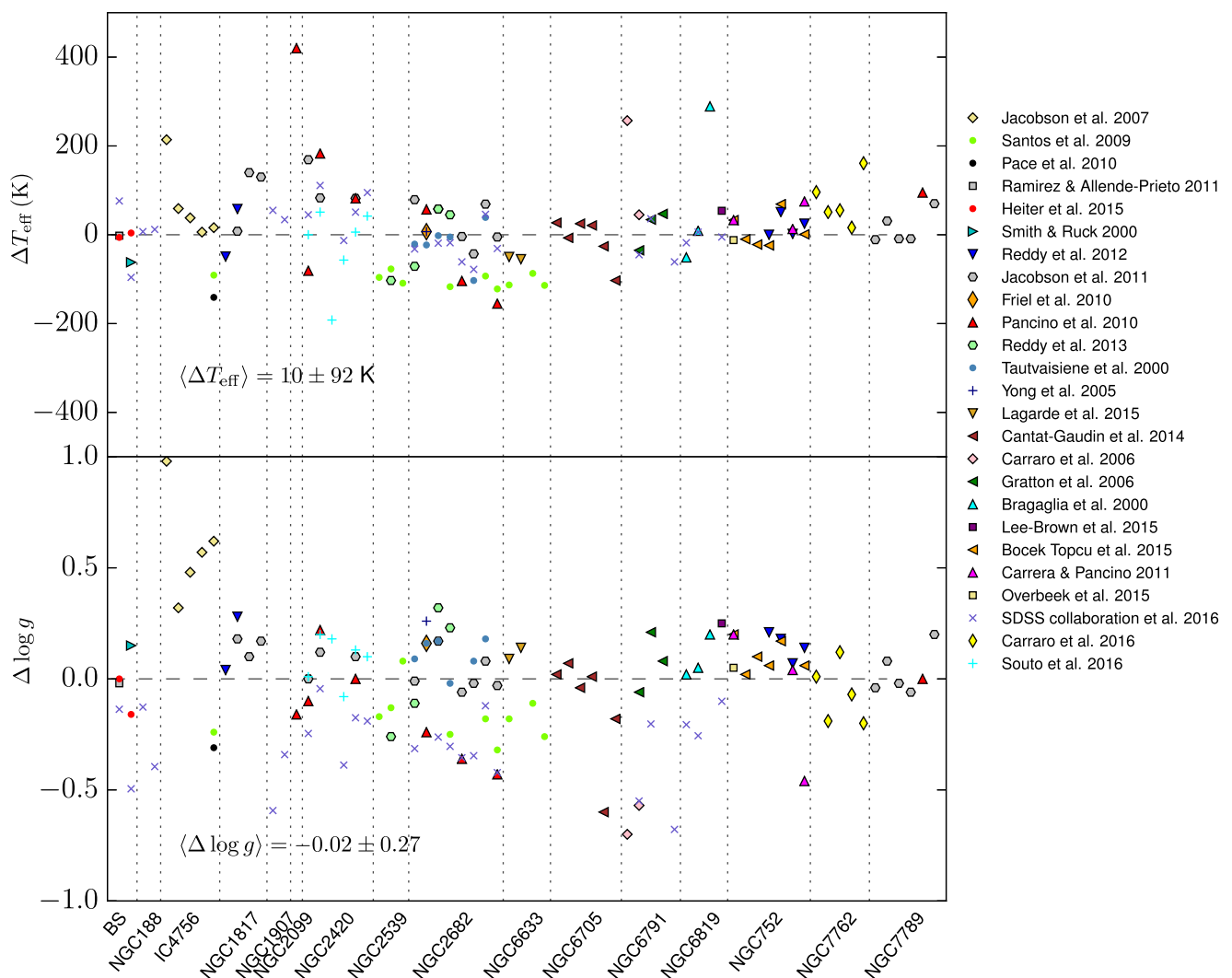


Figure 9. Comparison of the derived atmospheric parameters from this study (average values between GALA and ISPEC), and previous determinations in the literature. Differences are in the direction this study – literature.

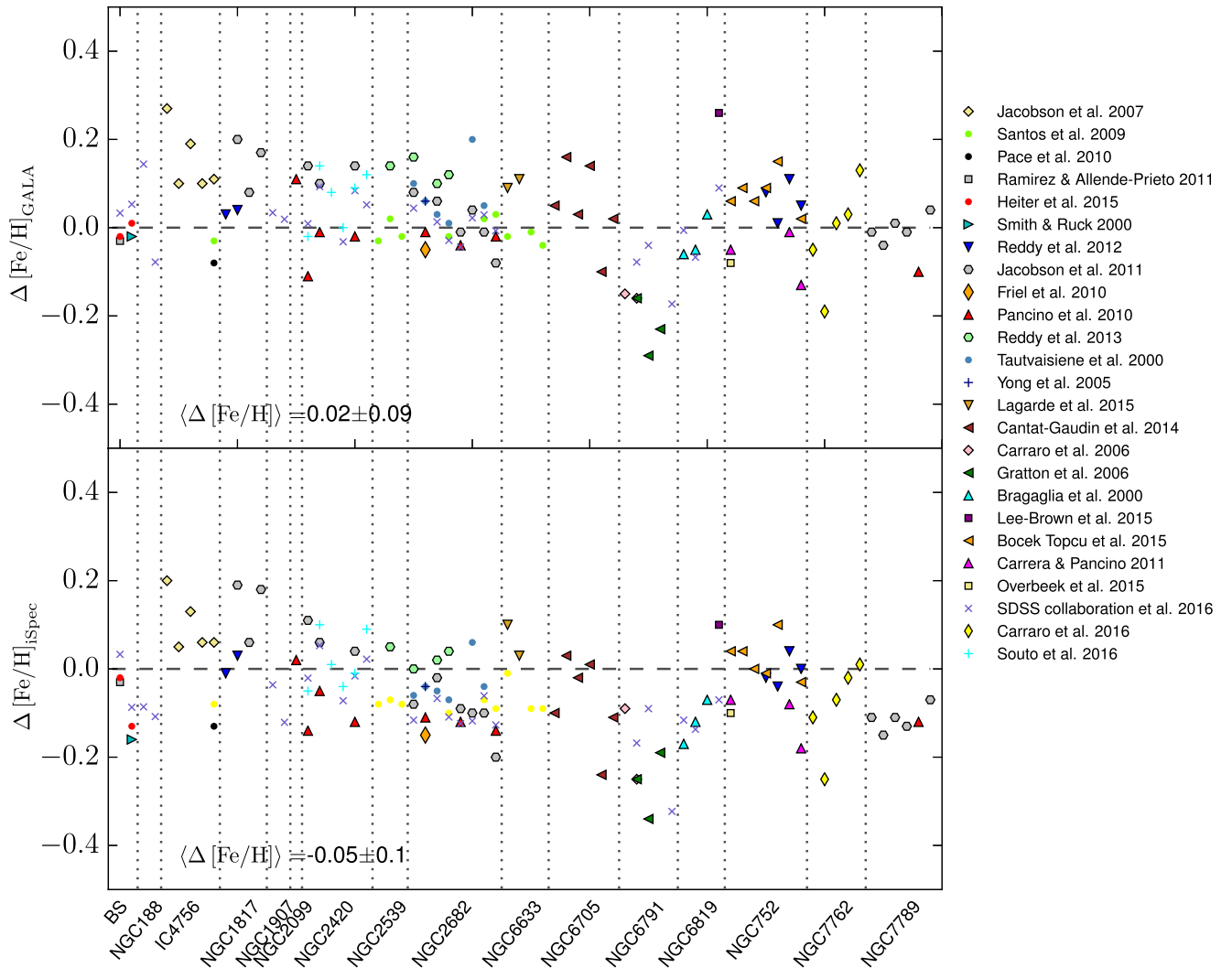


Figure 10. Comparison of iron abundances obtained in this study and previous determinations in the literature. In the top panel we compare values from GALA, and in the bottom panel determinations from ISPEC. Differences are in the direction this study – literature.

gravities 0.25 dex higher than us. We also have a shift in $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ of around 0.15/0.1 dex (GALA and ISPEC, respectively) with Jacobson et al. (2007).

(ii) For NGC 6791, Carraro et al. (2006) find surface gravities about 0.6 dex higher than ours (two stars in common), and SDSS Collaboration et al. (2016) also find higher values than us for those stars and high dispersion in the whole cluster. However, SDSS Collaboration et al. (2016) find higher gravities respect to us in the whole sample of common stars. On the contrary, Gratton et al. (2006) find very similar results to us for the three stars in common.

(iii) Pancino et al. (2010) find discrepant gravities, around 0.4 dex higher than us, for the cluster NGC 2682, and more compatible values for the stars in common in NGC 2099, NGC 2420 and NGC 7789. We also find a quite discrepant value of temperature (400 K higher than them) for the star NGC 2099 W148. Other determinations of gravity of NGC 2682, such as Jacobson et al. (2011) and Tautvaišienė et al. (2000) agree with ours.

(iv) We remark the case of NGC 6791, an extensively studied cluster, for which we find lower $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ than all previous authors with both analysis methods. Gratton et al. (2006) ($R = 29\,000$) and Carretta, Bragaglia & Gratton (2007) ($R = 30\,000$) find a mean

abundance of $+0.47$ (± 0.09 and ± 0.12 , respectively), both from the analysis of four stars, which is more than 0.25 dex higher than us. Carraro et al. (2006) found $+0.38$ using medium-resolution spectra ($R = 17\,000$) of six stars, which is still more than 0.15 dex higher. The highest resolution studies are from Brogaard et al. (2012) ($R = 37\,000$), Geisler et al. (2012) ($R = 45\,000$) and Boesgaard, Jensen & Deliyannis (2009) ($R = 46\,000$), which found $+0.29$, $+0.42$ and $+0.30$, respectively. Finally SDSS Collaboration et al. (2016) found abundances around 0.15 dex higher than us ($R = 22\,000$, in the H band). A possible explanation is that all previous studies have lower resolution than us, and this can make a difference for the most metal-rich clusters since they should be more subject to line crowding. Also NGC 6791 stars have the lowest SNR among our sample.

8 GALACTIC DISC GRADIENTS

In the previous sections, we have performed a membership selection based on radial velocities and iron abundances of 18 OCs. We have analysed them in a homogeneous way providing atmospheric parameters and mean iron abundances. The analysed OCs cover a range in Galactocentric radius of $6.8 < R_{\text{GC}} < 10.7$ kpc, and span

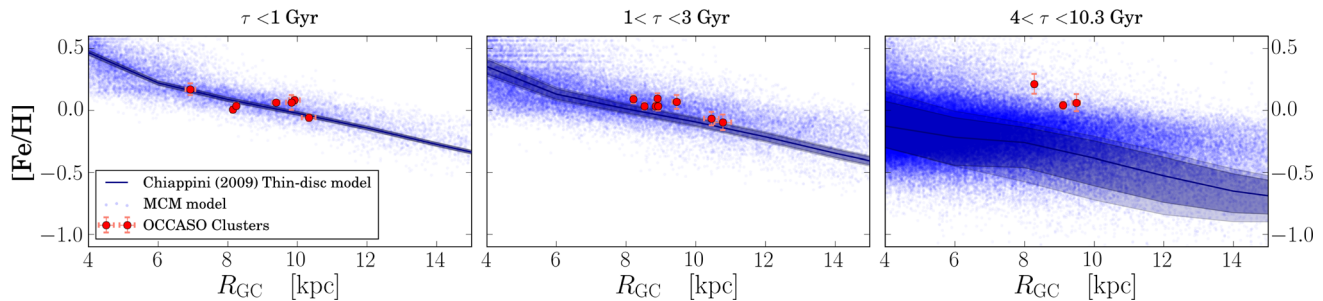


Figure 11. $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ versus R_{GC} distribution of the 18 OCs in three bins of age. We overplot the pure chemical evolution model for the thin disc of Chiappini (2009), and the N -body chemodynamical model by Minchev et al. (2013, 2014, MCM).

ages between 0.3 and 10.2 Gyr. All the clusters in the sample have $|z| < 1$ kpc. Here, we discuss the implications of our results on the evolution of the Galactic disc radial metallicity gradient, which is a fundamental constrain for Galactic chemical evolution models. This is a preliminary comparison that will be extended once the full sample of OCs and species is acquired.

In Fig. 11, we show the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ versus R_{GC} distribution of the OCs in three bins of age, along with the pure chemical evolution model for the thin disc by Chiappini (2009), and to the chemodynamical thin-disc model by Minchev, Chiappini & Martig (2013, 2014, MCM). The MCM model is a combination of the chemical evolution model of Chiappini (2009) and a high-resolution simulation at a cosmological context, which includes dynamical effects such as radial migration and heating. The abundances of both models are scaled such that the solar abundance matches the model at the age of the Sun (4.5 Gyr) at the most probable birth position of the Sun (2 kpc closer to the Galactic Centre than today; see Minchev et al. 2013). This calibration agrees very well with the abundance scale set by local disc Cepheids (Genovali et al. 2013).

The small uncertainties in iron abundance (Table 9) allow us to draw some conclusions. It can be clearly seen that the younger OCs fit perfectly the pure chemical gradient (left-hand panel in Fig. 11). As OCs get older, they start to deviate from the chemical model, and in the oldest bin of age they fall out of it by more than 3σ . This deviation though can be explained by the chemodynamical model that includes radial mixing, since in fact there are blue points at the position of the two oldest clusters.

9 CONCLUSIONS

This paper provides the second release of OCCASO, which includes atmospheric parameters (T_{eff} , $\log g$, ξ) and $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ chemical abundances from high-resolution spectra using EW (*GALA*) and SS (*ISPEC*) methods for 115 stars in 18 OCs.

We made an extensive comparison of the results of both methods to assess our internal consistency and the quoted errors.

(i) The comparison between methods of T_{eff} and $\log g$ per star for the OCs and Arcturus and μ -Leo shows that there are no systematic offsets.

(ii) The comparison of the results obtained by the two methods with the reference values of the GBS also indicates that there are no systematic differences.

(iii) We calculate atmospheric parameters using Johnson *BVI* photometry for two OCs: NGC 2420 and NGC 6791. The systematic differences found in the comparison with spectroscopy are inside the errors when varying the assumed $E(B - V)$, $(V_0 - M_V)$ and $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$, in the photometric analysis.

In all the comparisons, we found dispersions of ~ 60 – 80 K and 0.15–0.20 dex in T_{eff} and $\log g$, respectively. The internal dispersion in each cluster from spectroscopy is larger than from photometry.

We calculated $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ abundances for all OCCASO stars with both methods, using the average values of T_{eff} and $\log g$. A comparison between the iron abundances from each method showed an offset of 0.07 ± 0.05 dex.

We did several additional tests to investigate the performance of the two methods when calculating iron abundances. We used the GBS sample to derive $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ in different conditions: (a) fixing T_{eff} and $\log g$ to their reference value in Heiter et al. (2015b); (b) fixing also the microturbulence; (c) only using the lines in common to calculate $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$; (d) only use the common lines and force the synthesis method not to reproduce blends.

We discussed the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ abundances obtained for the stars by OC to perform a more accurate membership selection. With the bona fide member stars, we obtained the final values of $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ per OC. We found cluster dispersions in the range 0.01–0.08 dex from the EW analysis, and 0.01–0.11 dex from the SS analysis. We note that this is the first time chemical abundances are derived from high-resolution spectroscopy for the clusters NGC 6939, NGC 6991 and NGC 7245.

We compared our results with a pure chemical evolution model and a chemodynamical model of the Milky Way thin disc. We explored the radial gradient in three bins of age obtaining that: the younger OCs fit the gradient drawn by the pure chemical evolution model, and as we go to older ages the metallicity at the traced position can only be explained by the MCM model that adds dynamical effects such as heating and radial migration.

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Table 2. Fe I and Fe II lines within our line list, used by the EW analysis method.

Appendix A. New Data Reduction Procedure.

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