

## Importing the required packages

```
In [1]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from astropy.io import fits
from astropy.table import Table
from astropy import units as u
plt.ion()
import os
```

## Finding the mean of an array

In this cell we test basic python commands like finding the mean of an array

We then print the result

```
In [2]: # finding the mean of an array
a = [23, 56, 2, 4, 3]
b = np.mean(a)
print(b)
```

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## Commands with fits files

### 1. Opening the file

The first step when working with fits files is to open them from the correct directory

```
In [4]: # opening the fits file
hdu = fits.open("./data/hst_results_nd.fits")
```

### 2. Getting the header and the data

Once we have the fits file, we write the header and the data in two separate variables

```
In [5]: # getting the header and the data from the fits file
hdr = hdu[0].header
data = hdu[0].data
```

### 3. Printing

We print the header to examine its contents

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In [6]: print(hdr)
```

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SIMPLE = T / Standard FITS format
BITPIX = 8 / Character data
NAXIS = 1 / Text string
NAXIS1 = 15419 / Number of characters
VOTMETA = T / Table metadata in VOTable format
EXTEND = T / There are standard extensions
COMMENT
COMMENT The data in this primary HDU consists of bytes which
COMMENT comprise a VOTABLE document.
COMMENT The VOTable describes the metadata of the table contained
COMMENT in the following BINTABLE extension.
COMMENT Such a BINTABLE extension can be used on its own as a perfectly
COMMENT good table, but the information from this HDU may provide some
COMMENT useful additional metadata.
COMMENT There is one following BINTABLE.
NTABLE = 1 / Number of following BINTABLE HDUs
END

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#### 4. Creating a table from the fits data

#### 5. Write the relevant star parameters into separate variables

In this tutorial we want to generate a color-magnitude diagram using the data from the **F475W\_VEGA** and **F814W\_VEGA** filters

#### 6. Print column names

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In [1]: # creating a table from the data
t = Table.read("./data/hst_results_nd.fits")
ra = t["RA"]
dec = t["DEC"]
av = t["Av_p50"]
age = t["logA_p50"]
mass = t["M_ini_p50"]
f475w = t["F475W_VEGA"]
f814w = t["F814W_VEGA"]
#t[0].colnames

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NameError                                Traceback (most recent call last)
Cell In[1], line 2
      1 # creating a table from the data
----> 2 t = Table.read("./data/hst_results_nd.fits")
      3 ra = t["RA"]
      4 dec = t["DEC"]

NameError: name 'Table' is not defined

```

#### 7. Sort the stars based on age

We sort the stars into two groups based on their age. The first group ('young stars') contains all stars with  $\log(\text{age}) < 8.5$ . The second group ('old stars') contains all stars with  $\log(\text{age}) > 10.0$

#### 8. Print the number of stars in each group

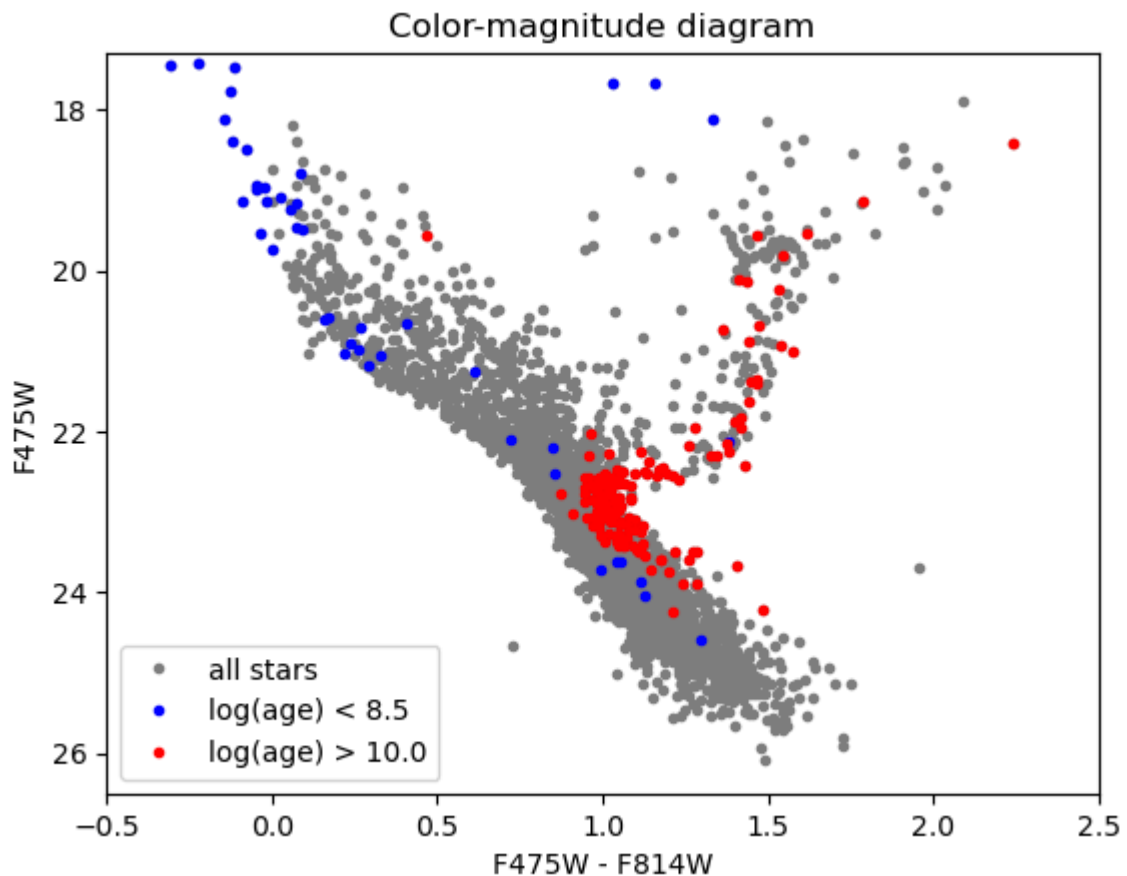
#### 9. Generate color-magnitude diagram

The generated color-magnitude diagram compares the young stars, the old stars and all stars from the data.

## 10. Save the figure as a pdf

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In [9]: young_stars = t[age < 8.5]
old_stars = t[age > 10.0]
#print(old_stars[0:100])
print(len(young_stars))
print(len(old_stars))
plt.figure()
plt.plot(f475w-f814w, f475w, ls = "", color='gray', marker='.', label = 'all stars')
plt.ylim(26.5, 17.3)
plt.xlim(-0.5, 2.5)
plt.plot(young_stars["F475W_VEGA"]-young_stars["F814W_VEGA"],young_stars["F475W_VEGA"],ls="dashed",color="blue",label="young stars")
plt.plot(old_stars["F475W_VEGA"]-old_stars["F814W_VEGA"],old_stars["F475W_VEGA"],ls="dashed",color="red",label="old stars")
plt.xlabel("F475W - F814W")
plt.ylabel("F475W")
plt.title("Color-magnitude diagram")
plt.legend()
plt.savefig("cmd_by_age.pdf")
```

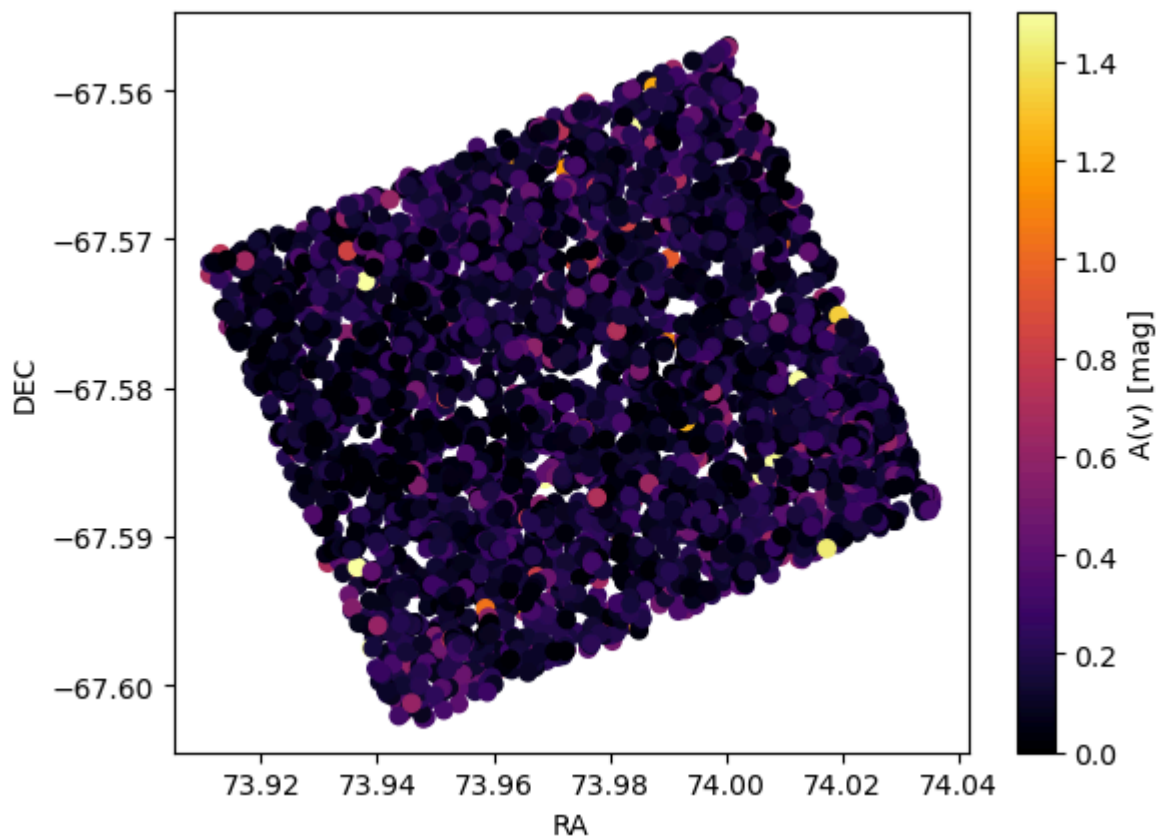
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## 11. Generate an extinction plot

This plot shows the extinction of stars in different parts of the sky

```
In [10]: plt.figure()
# plt.plot(ra, dec, 'r.', ls='')
# Av max = 5 ----> limit Av to 1.5
cb = plt.scatter(ra, dec, c=av, marker = 'o', cmap='inferno', vmin = 0, vmax = 1.5)
plt.xlabel("RA")
plt.ylabel("DEC")
plt.colorbar(cb, label="A(v) [mag]")
plt.savefig("lmc_av_spatial.pdf")
```



## 12. Collect distance data

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In [11]: dist = t["distance_p50"]
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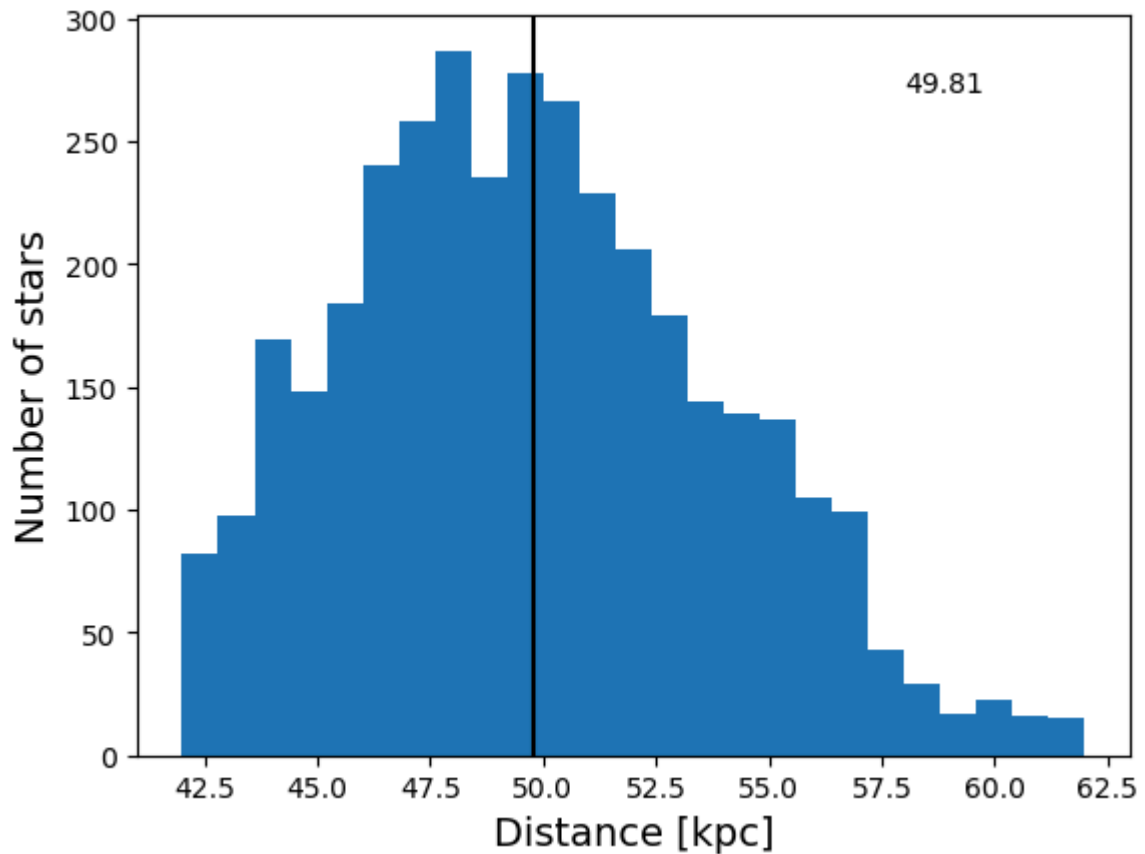
## 13. Create a histogram

This histogram shows the number of stars in different distance intervals, as well as the mean distance

## 14. Save the histogram as pdf

```
In [12]: plt.figure()
plt.hist(dist/1000, bins = 25)
plt.xlabel("Distance [kpc]", fontsize = 14)
plt.ylabel("Number of stars", fontsize = 14)
d_mean = np.mean(dist/1000)
print(d_mean)
plt.axvline(d_mean, c = "k")
plt.text(58, 270, '%s' % np.around(d_mean, decimals = 2))
plt.savefig("lmc_hist_distance.pdf")
```

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### 15. Read data from HST for the lmc\_04 field

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In [13]: # read data from HST for the lmc_04 field
cat = Table.read("./hlsp_scylla_hst_wfc3_lmc-04_multi_v1_st.fits")
```

### 16. Get values of the magnitude for two filters

Here we write the magnitude data for the **F475W\_VEGA** and the **F814W\_VEGA** filters in two separate variables

```
In [14]: # get values of the magnitude for two filters
cat[0].colnames
f475 = cat["F475W_VEGA"]
f814 = cat["F814W_VEGA"]
```

### 17. Generate the color-magnitude diagram for the two filters

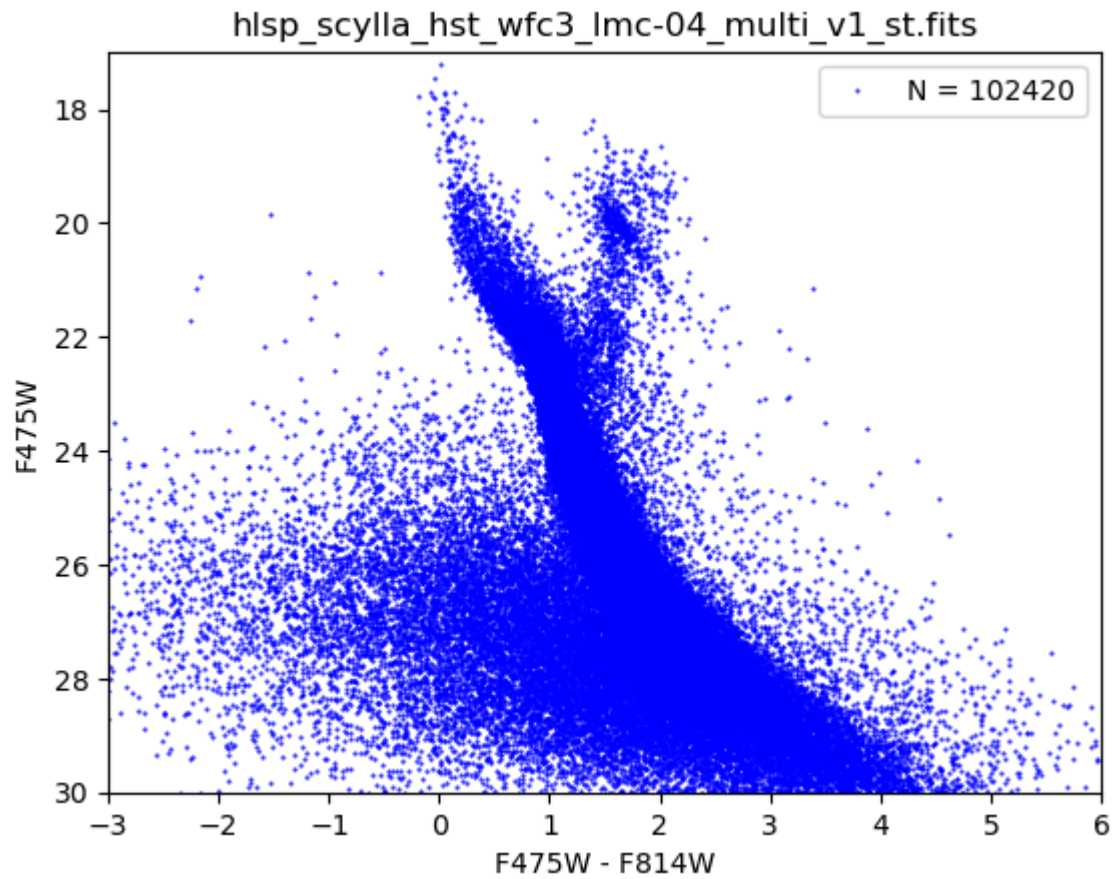
### 18. Save the diagram as pdf

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In [20]: # generate the color-magnitude diagram for the two filters
col = f475 - f814
mag = f475
f = "hlsp_scylla_hst_wfc3_lmc-04_multi_v1_st.fits"
n = len(f475)

plt.figure()
plt.plot(col, mag, '.b', markersize = 1, ls=' ', label='N = %s' % n)

plt.legend()
plt.xlim(-3,6)
plt.ylim(30,17)
plt.xlabel("F475W - F814W")
plt.ylabel("F475W")
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plt.title("%s" % f)  
plt.savefig("cmd_lmc_04.pdf")
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