

GAIA BASICS & ASTROMETRY

[GAIA - Graphical Astronomy and Image Analysis Tool](#) Based on Skycat at ESO

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***TEXT is [Gaia cookbook](#) in <http://star-www.dur.ac.uk/~pdraper/gaia/sc17.htx/sc17.html>
Retrieve Hardcopy file.pdf or use pdf given by your teacher

use other files in gaiaFiles e.g.

****other fits ngc1275hri.fits* from <http://www.starlink.ac.uk/star/examples/sc17/>

In your .bashrc or .bashrcsalva you must have

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export EXTRACTOR_DIR=/scisoft/share/star/bin/extractor
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setenv PHOTOM_DIR=/scisoft/share/star/bin/photom
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setenv ESP_DIR=/scisoft/share/star/bin/esp
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setenv CONVERT_DIR=/scisoft/share/star/bin/convert
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setenv HDSTOOLS_DIR=/scisoft/share/star/bin/hdstools
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START WITH

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%mkdir gaia
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%cd gaia
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%/opt/scisoft/bin/gaia &
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OR %gaia in the case you have created an alias in your .bashrcsalva

INSIDE GAIA

image-analysis demonstration → you will obtain fits

add the fits and files given by the teacher, e.g.

Look at the Help in the serveral windows: they are very useful!

You can print them openn the html files in /scisoft/share/star/help/gaia

USE GAIA TO VISUALIZE IMAGES AND RETRIEVE IMAGES/CATALOGS FROM WEB

READ/USE [sc17 cookbook](#)

[Points 8 9 10 USE ngc1275.fits](#),

[Point 11 USE+ ngc1275hri.fits](#)

In particular View – pick object: very useful to determine obj center, it also gives FWHM x and y to understand if obj is round or not (star/gal classific.)

ASTROMETRY

[Point 12 USE+ ngc1275-nowcs.fits](#) (Look at [sc17Astrometry.pdf](#))

Examples <https://github.com/Starlink/starlink/tree/master/docs/sc/017/examples>

HOMEWORK

Astrometry image [EFOSC.2000-11-20T06:43:42.058.fits](#) taken from ESO archive.

Tell me the coordinates of the thre objs in [EFOSCex.jpg](#), send me the results of your fit-test (rms values and so on) and ...possibly what is the subject of the observation.