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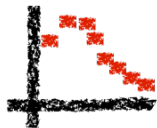
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**How do we track incremental
improvements when
reprocessing data?**

Strategy for ZTF photometry data releases: Goals

This is an incomplete collection!



Provide unified and convenient method to reference lightcurves (*ZTF20suchfun DR 2.2*)



Allow collaborative / modular improvements, avoid duplicate work



Use knowledge from calibration group (see yesterday's talk by Roger Smith)



Incremental Data Releases



Batch reprocessing of large datasets



Quick retrieval of single object lightcurves

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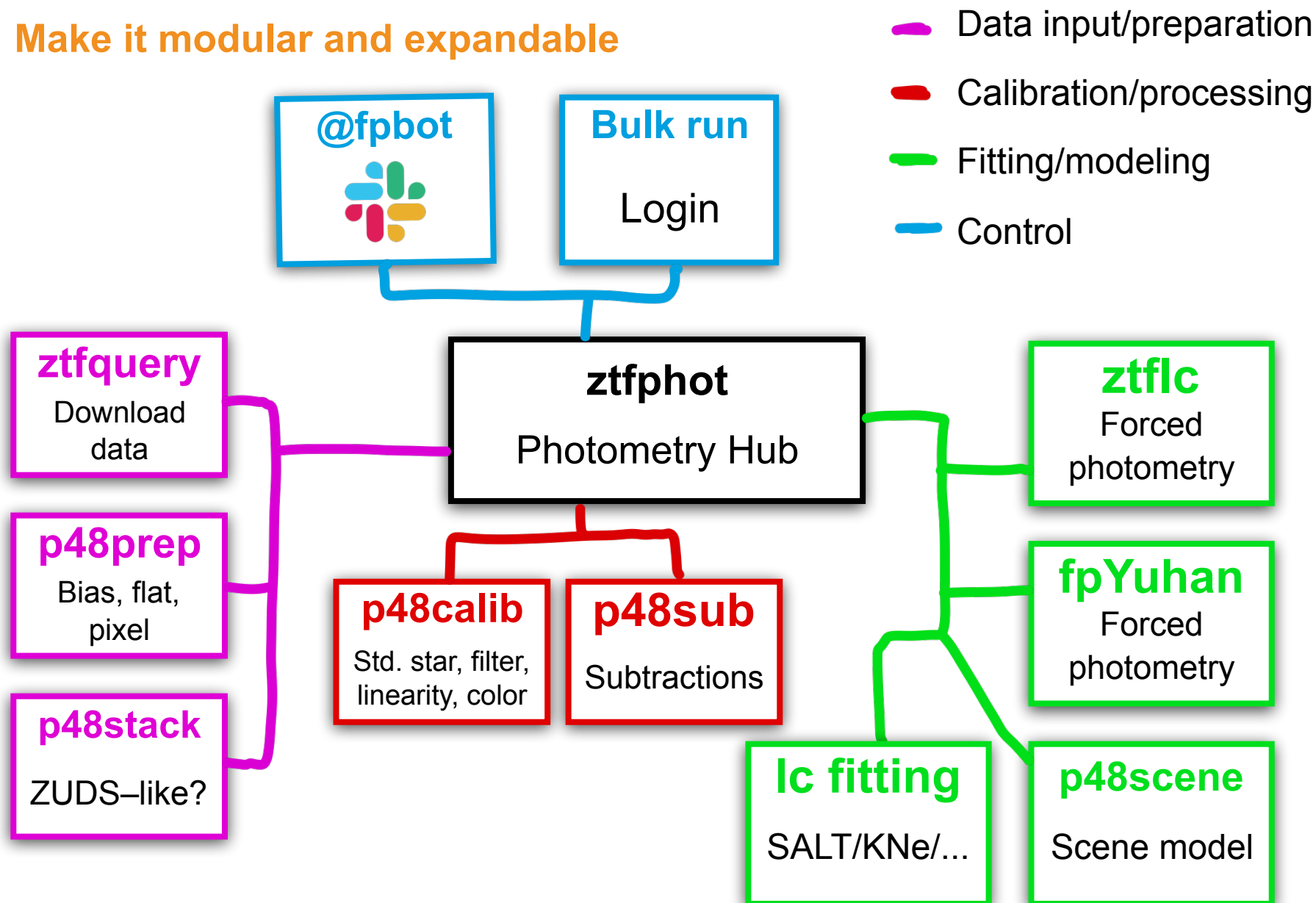
Participants of the initial telecon. This is incomplete!

Melissa Amenouche, Rahul Biswas, Suhail Dhawan,
Christoffer Fremling, Daniel Goldstein, Romain Graziani,
Adam Miller, Jakob Nordin, Eran Ofek, Simeon Reusch,
Mickael Rigault, Philippe Rosnet, Steve Schulze, Yashvi
Sharma, Nora Linn Strotjohann, Andy Tzanidakis

**Note: We are not planning to
do the official Partnership Data
Release but merely want
encourage development of this
tool**

It could look like this

Make it modular and expandable



Ideas for the future

Unified syntax

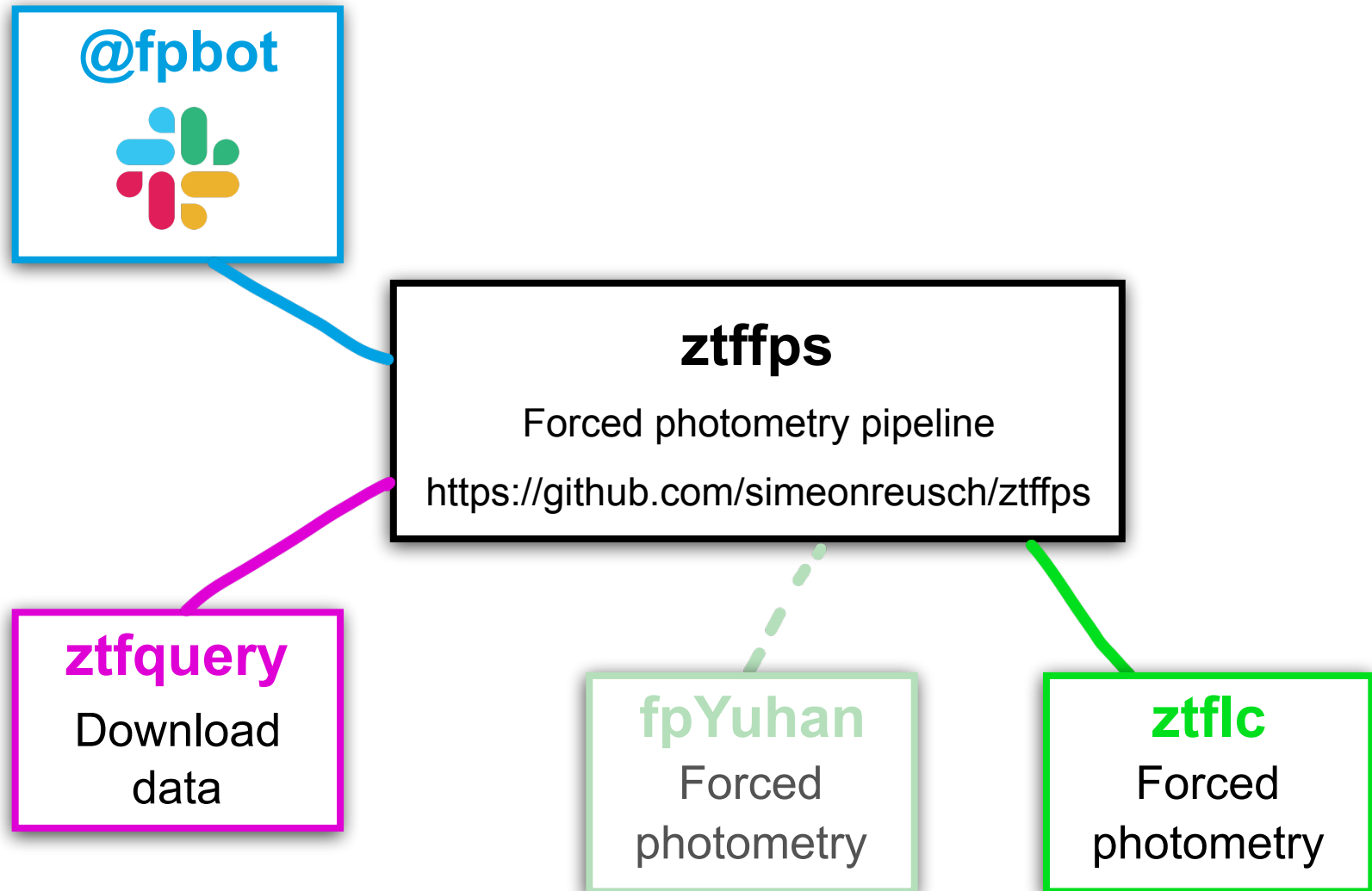
```
./pipeline.py -preproduction alert -calibration  
alert -subtraction alert -photometry ztflc
```



shortcut

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./pipeline.py -DR_1.5
```


What I did so far



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-plot: Only plots the lightcurve

-thumbnails: Generates thumbnails for the specified timerange.

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--df: Upload the dataframe of the lightcurve to Slack.


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
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
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
@fpbot ZTF20aaelulu


 **simeon** Today at 10:33 AM
FP ZTF20aaelulu


5 replies

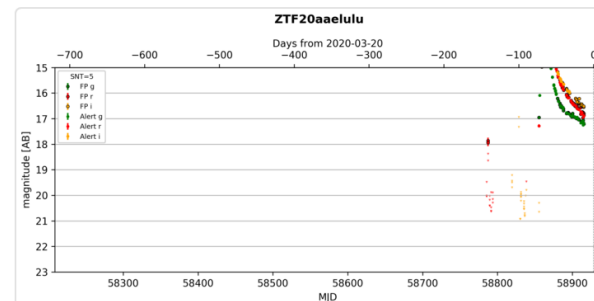
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You requested forced photometry for **ZTF20aaelulu**. I'll get right to it. Depending on whether the image files need to be downloaded, this can take a few minutes.

 **fpbot** APP 1 hour ago
Checking if all files are present and downloading missing ones. This might take a few minutes.

 **fpbot** APP 1 hour ago
Fitting PSF. This won't take long.

 **fpbot** APP 1 hour ago
Plotting lightcurve.

 **fpbot** APP 1 hour ago
And here is your lightcurve. ▼



@fpbot ZTF20aakyoez -daysago 60 -daysuntil 13

ZTF20aakyoez

Days from 2020-03-23

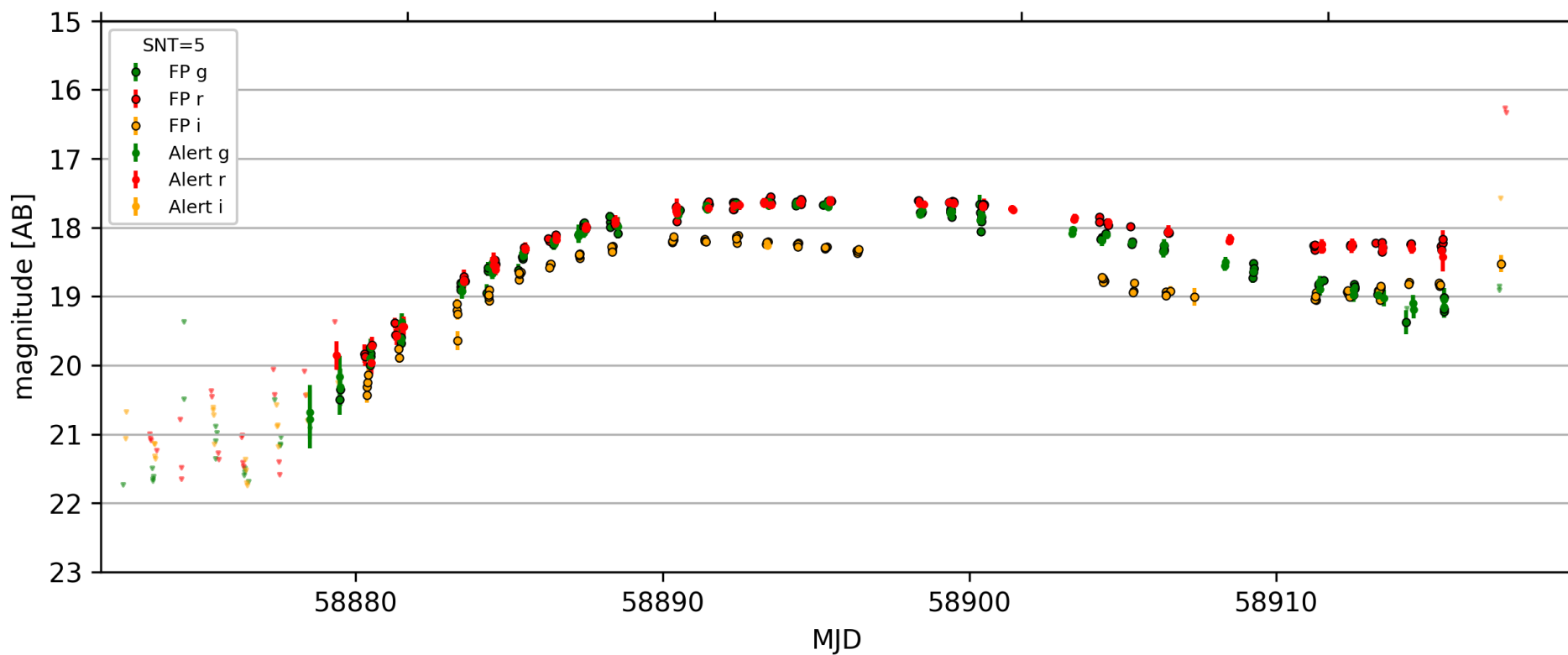
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Ongoing improvements



Sanity checks / checksums for downloaded images



Updates only when new data is available



Fits only new datapoints

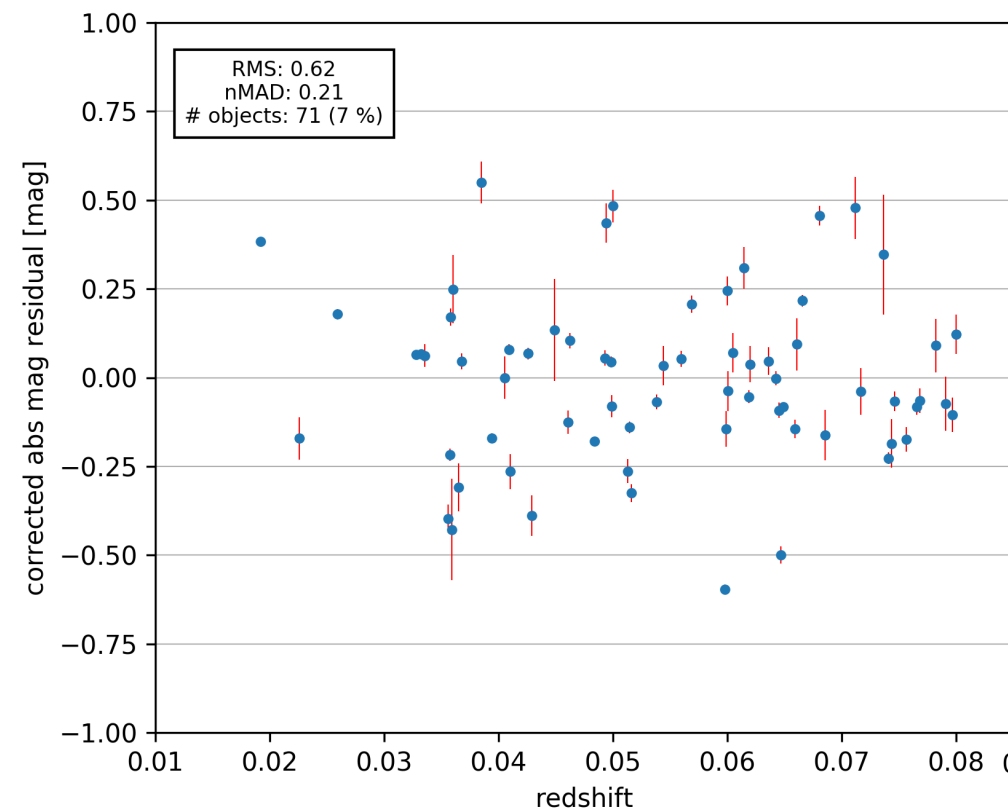


Fully multithreaded

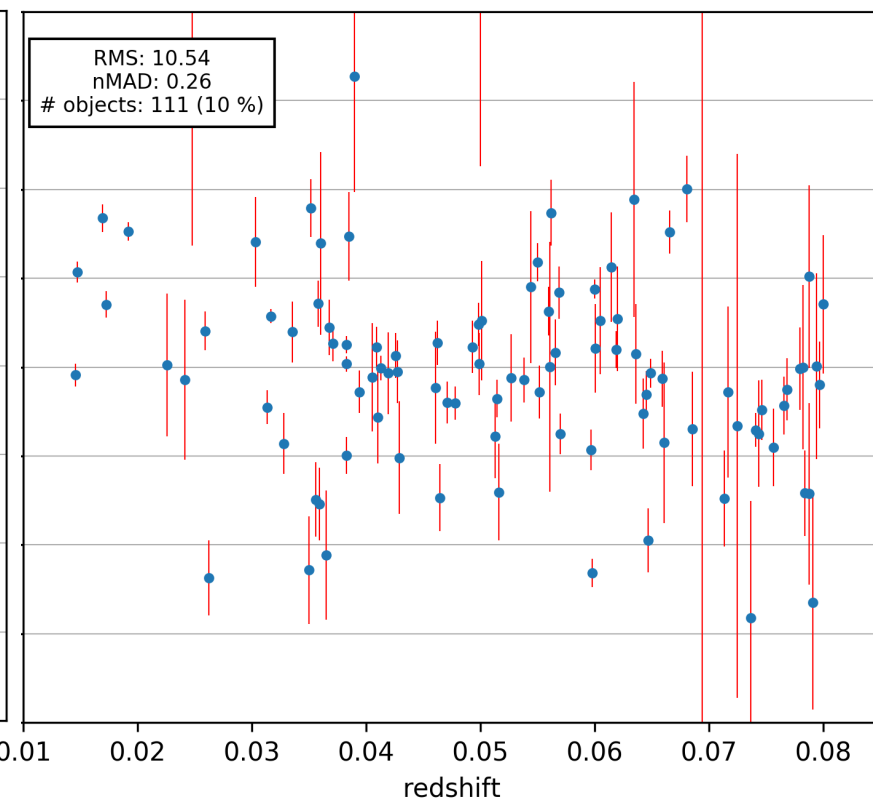
Cosmology sample

SNe Ia with RCF redshifts, $\chi^2 \leq 10$

Forced Photometry



Alert Photometry



Outlook



Right now: Processing complete RCF sample for forced photometry comparison



Finetuning the photometric fitting algorithm and improving *ztf/c* (Nora Nicolas, Lyon)



Improved ra/dec? (Suggestion by Frank Masci)



More/better coordination with QA group / creation of a calibration baseline sample as Frank suggested yesterday)



Integration of ZUDS packages (Swarp, hotpants)



Could we obtain MSIP data immediately?