Iron-peak elements Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn in Galactic bulge globular clusters?

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ABSTRACT

Aims. Globular clusters are tracers of the history of star formation and chemical enrichment in the early Galaxy. Their abundance pattern can help understanding their chemical enrichment processes. In particular, the iron-peak elements have been relatively little studied so far in the Galactic bulge.

Methods. The main aim of this work is to verify the strength of abundances of iron-peak elements for chemical tagging in view of identifying different stellar populations. Besides, the nucleosynthesis processes that build these elements are complex, therefore observational data can help constraining theoretical models, as well as give suggestions as to the kinds of supernovae that enriched the gas before these stars formed.

Results. The abundances of iron-peak elements are derived for the sample clusters, and compared with bulge field, and thick disk stars. We derived abundances of the iron-peak elements Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn in individual stars of five bulge globular clusters (NGC 6528, NGC 6553, NGC 6522, NGC 6558, HP 1), and of the reference thick disk/or inner halo cluster 47 Tucanae (NGC 104). High resolution spectra were obtained with the UVES spectrograph at the Very Large Telescope over the years.

Conclusions. The sample globular clusters studied span metallicities in the range –1.2 \lesssim [Fe/H] \lesssim 0.0. V and Sc appear to vary in lockstep with Fe, indicating that they are produced in the same supernovae as Fe. We find that Mn is deficient in metal-poor stars, confirming that it is underproduced in massive stars; Mn-over-Fe steadily increases at the higher metallicities due to a metallicitydependent enrichment by supernovae of type Ia. Cu behaves as a secondary element, indicating its production in a weak-s process in massive stars. Zn has an alpha-like behaviour at low metallicities, which can be explained in terms of nucleosynthesis in hypernovae. At the metal-rich end, Zn decreases with increasing metallicity, similarly to the alpha-elements.

Key words. globular clusters: general – galaxies: abundances

1. Introduction

Chemical tagging is expected to be a key discriminator of chemical evolution processes and stellar populations (e.g. [Freeman & Bland-Hawthorn](#page-13-0) [2002\)](#page-13-0). Among the different groups of chemical elements, alpha-elements, light odd-Z elements and heavy elements are more often studied. The iron-peak elements are less extensively derived, probably because they are formed in more complex processes, and require atomic data, such as hyperfine structure for the odd-Z elements, not always available.

The majority of the iron-peak elements show solar abundance ratios in most objects in the metallicity range of bulge stars ([Fe/H] ≥ -1.5). There are exceptions, such as the Large Magellanic Cloud (LMC), where Ni, Co, Cr vary in lockstep with Fe, but they are deficient relative to Fe [Ni,Co,Cr/Fe] ~ -0.15 [\(Pompéia et al.](#page-14-0) [2008\)](#page-14-0). The elements Sc, Mn, Cu, and Zn however show different trends relative to Fe (e.g. [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [2000;](#page-14-1) [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [2013\)](#page-13-1). In particular, Zn is found to be enhanced in metal-poor halo and thick disk stars in the Milky Way (e.g. [Cayrel et al.](#page-13-2) [2004;](#page-13-2) [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [2013\)](#page-13-1), and in dwarf spheroidal galaxies [\(Skúladóttir et al.](#page-14-2) [2017\)](#page-14-2). Mn is deficient in metal-poor stars, and increases with metallicity for [Fe/H] \geq −1.0 (e.g.

[Cayrel et al.](#page-13-2) [2004;](#page-13-2) [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [2013](#page-13-1) for halo and thick disk stars and [McWilliam et al.](#page-14-3) [2003;](#page-14-3) [Sobeck et al.](#page-14-4) [2006;](#page-14-4) [Barbuy](#page-13-3) [et al.](#page-13-3) [2013;](#page-13-3) [Schultheis et al.](#page-14-5) [2017\)](#page-14-5) for bulge stars. The same applies to Cu in field halo, thick disk, and bulge stars [\(Ishigaki](#page-13-1) [et al.](#page-13-1) [2013;](#page-13-1) [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [2014\)](#page-13-4).

The iron-peak elements include elements with atomic numbers in the range $21 \le Z \le 32$, from scandium to germanium. Sc with $Z = 21$ is a transition element between the so-called alpha-elements and the iron-peak elements. They are produced in complex nucleosynthesis processes, such that they can be subdivided in two groups, the lower iron group: $21 \le Z \le$ 26 including Scandium (Sc), Titanium (Ti), Vanadium (V), Chromium (Cr), Manganese (Mn), Iron (Fe), and the upper iron group: $27 \le Z \le 32$ which includes Cobalt (Co), Nickel (Ni), Copper (Cu), Zinc (Zn), Gallium (Ga), and Germanium (Ge) [\(Woosley & Weaver](#page-14-6) [1995,](#page-14-6) hereafter WW95; [Woosley et al.](#page-14-7) [2002;](#page-14-7) Woosley, priv. comm.). The lower iron group elements are produced in explosive oxygen burning at temperatures 3×10^9 $T < 4 \times 10^9$ K, explosive Si burning at $4 \times 10^9 < T < 5 \times 10^9$ K, or nuclear statistical equilibrium for $T > 5 \times 10^9$ K [\(WW95,](#page-14-6) [Nomoto et al.](#page-14-8) [2013\)](#page-14-8). The upper iron group elements are produced in two processes: neutron capture on iron group nuclei during helium burning and later burning stages, and the alpharich freezeout from material heated to $T > 5 \times 10^9$ K in the deepest layers. The quantity of each element ejected at the supernova event depends on the mass that falls back.

[?] Observations collected both at the European Southern Observatory, Paranal and La Silla, Chile (ESO programmes 65.L-0340 (HP1), 65.L-0371, 67.D-0489 and 69.D-0582, 88.D-0398A (N6522), 93.D-0123A (N6558), 93.D-0124A (HP1))

There are very few analyses of the odd-Z iron-peak elements Sc, V, Mn, Co, and Cu in bulge stars. This may be due to the need to consider hyperfine structure for them and to having only a few reliable lines. [McWilliam et al.](#page-14-3) [\(2003\)](#page-14-3) derived Mn abundances in eight bulge field stars. [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-3) [\(2013,](#page-13-3) [2015\)](#page-13-5) have derived abundances of Mn, and Zn, for 56 bulge field stars, based on FLAMES-UVES spectra from the [Zoccali et al.](#page-14-9) [\(2006\)](#page-14-9) sample. [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014\)](#page-13-4) have derived abundances of the iron-peak elements Cr, Co, Ni, and Cu in stars located in bulge field stars using FLAMES-GIRAFFE data by [Zoccali et al.](#page-14-10) [\(2008\)](#page-14-10), comprising 205 stars in the $(+5.25, -3.02)$ field near
the globular cluster NGC 6553 and 109 stars in the $(0, -12^{\circ})$ the globular cluster NGC 6553, and 109 stars in the $(0, -12°)$ field. More recently, abundances of iron-peak elements were presented for bulge metal-poor stars by [Howes et al.](#page-13-6) [\(2014,](#page-13-6) [2015,](#page-13-7) [2016\)](#page-13-8), [Casey & Schlaufman](#page-13-9) [\(2015\)](#page-13-9), and [Koch et al.](#page-13-10) [\(2016\)](#page-13-10). The stars from [Howes et al.](#page-13-7) [\(2015\)](#page-13-7) that had determined their orbital parameters were selected here as bulge members (their Table 6). As far as we know these data are all that is available presently as concerns bulge stars. Reviews on chemical abundances in the Galactic bulge can be found in [McWilliam](#page-14-11) [\(2016\)](#page-14-11) and [Barbuy](#page-13-11) [et al.](#page-13-11) [\(2018\)](#page-13-11).

In the present work we analyse individual stars in the reference globular cluster 47 Tucanae ($[Fe/H]$ ^{[1](#page-1-0)} = −0.67, [Alves-Brito](#page-13-12) [et al.](#page-13-12) [2005\)](#page-13-12), and the bulge globular clusters NGC 6553 ([Fe/H] = −0.20, [Alves-Brito et al.](#page-13-13) [2006\)](#page-13-13), NGC 6528 ([Fe/H] = −0.11, [Zoccali et al.](#page-14-12) [2004\)](#page-14-12), NGC 6522 ([Fe/H] = -0.95 , [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-14) [2014\)](#page-13-14), HP 1 ([Fe/H] = -1.00 , [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-15) [2006,](#page-13-15) [2016\)](#page-13-16), and NGC 6558 ($[Fe/H] = \sim -1.10$, [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-11) [2018,](#page-13-11) and in prep.). In previous work we have derived the abundances of the α -elements (O, Mg, Ca, Si, Ti), odd-Z (Na, Al), *s*-process (Ba, La, Zr), and *r*-process (Eu) elements in these clusters. In the present work we derive the abundances of the iron-peak elements Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn.

Star clusters are tracers of the formation history of different components of galaxies. Globular clusters are probably the earliest objects to have formed, and they trace the formation of the halo and bulge of our Galaxy [\(Hansen et al.](#page-13-17) [2013;](#page-13-17) [Kruijssen](#page-13-18) [2015;](#page-13-18) [Renzini et al.](#page-14-13) [2017\)](#page-14-13). As to whether the field stars and globular clusters can be identified as having a similar origin, has been a matter of debate in the literature. The detection of abundance anomalies in field stars similar to the anomalies found in globular cluster stars [\(Gratton et al.](#page-13-19) [2012\)](#page-13-19) has been used to conclude that at least a fraction of the field stars have their origin in the clusters [\(Kraft](#page-13-20) [1983;](#page-13-20) [Martell et al.](#page-14-14) [2011;](#page-14-14) [Schiavon et al.](#page-14-15) [2017\)](#page-14-15).

The observations are briefly described in Sect. [2.](#page-1-1) Line parameters are reported in Sect. [3.](#page-1-2) Abundance analysis is described in Sect. [4.](#page-3-0) Results and discussions are presented in Sect. [5.](#page-5-0) Conclusions are drawn in Sect. [6.](#page-13-21)

2. Observations

The sample consists of 28 red giant stars, including five in 47 Tucanae [\(Alves-Brito et al.](#page-13-12) [2005\)](#page-13-12), four in NGC 6553 [\(Alves-Brito et al.](#page-13-13) [2006\)](#page-13-13), three in NGC 6528 [\(Zoccali et al.](#page-14-12) [2004\)](#page-14-12), eight in HP 1 [\(Barbuy et al.](#page-13-15) [2006,](#page-13-15) [2016\)](#page-13-16), four in NGC 6522 [\(Barbuy et al.](#page-13-22) [2009,](#page-13-22) [2014\)](#page-13-14), and four in NGC 6558 [\(Barbuy et al.](#page-13-11) [2018,](#page-13-11) and in prep.), all observed with UVES at the 8.2 m Kueyen ESO telescope. The wavelength coverage is 4800–6800 Å. The red portion of the spectrum (5800– 6800 Å) was obtained with the ESO CCD # 20, an MIT backside

illuminated, of 4096 \times 2048 pixels, and pixel size 15 \times 15 μ m. The blue portion of the spectrum (4800–5800 Å) uses ESO Marlene EEV CCD-44, backside illuminated, 4102×2048 pixels, and pixel size $15 \times 15 \mu m$. With the UVES standard setup 580, the UVES resolution is $R \sim 45000$ for a 1 arcsec slit width, while $R \sim 55000$ for a slit of 0.8 arcsec. The pixel scale is 0.0147 Å pix⁻¹. The log of observations is given in Table [1.](#page-1-3)

Reductions are described in the references given above, in all cases including bias and inter-order background subtraction, flatfield correction, extraction, and wavelength calibration [\(Ballester et al.](#page-13-23) [2000\)](#page-13-23). Figure [1](#page-2-0) shows the spectra for some of the programme stars around the features studied.

3. Line parameters: Hyperfine structure, oscillator strengths, and solar abundances

To settle suitable values of oscillator strengths and central wavelengths, the studied lines were checked by using high-resolution spectra of the Sun (using the same instrument settings as the

¹ We adopted here the usual spectroscopic notation that $[A/B] = \log(N_A/N_B)$ \star – $\log(N_A/N_B)$ and $\epsilon(A) = \log(N_A/N_B)$ + 12 for each elements A and B.

[Fig. 1.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) Comparison of the spectra for three sample globular clusters. Features are indicated for Mn I (*top*), Cu I (*middle*), and Zn I lines (*bottom*).

present sample of spectra^{[2](#page-2-1)}), Arcturus [\(Hinkle et al.](#page-13-24) [2000\)](#page-13-24) and the metal-rich giant star μ Leo [\(Lecureur et al.](#page-14-16) [2007\)](#page-14-16). We adopted the stellar parameters effective temperature (T_{eff}) , surface gravity (log g), metallicity ([Fe/H]), and microturbulent velocity (v_t) of $(4275 \text{ K}, 1.55, -0.54, 1.65 \text{ km s}^{-1})$ for Arcturus from [Meléndez](#page-14-17) [et al.](#page-14-17) [\(2003\)](#page-14-17), and (4540 K, 2.3, +0.30, 1.3 km s⁻¹) for μ Leo from Lecureur et al. (2007). In Table 2, we present the adopted from [Lecureur et al.](#page-14-16) [\(2007\)](#page-14-16). In Table [2,](#page-2-2) we present the adopted abundances for the Sun, Arcturus and μ Leo.

Oscillator strengths for Sc I, Sc II, V I, and Cu I reported in Table [A.2,](#page-16-1) are from [Kurúcz et al.](#page-14-18) [\(1993\)](#page-14-18)^{[3](#page-2-3)}, NIST [\(Martin et al.](#page-14-19) 2002 ^{[4](#page-2-4)}, VALD3 [\(Piskunov et al.](#page-14-20) [1995\)](#page-14-20)^{[5](#page-2-5)}, literature values, and adopted final values.

3.1. Scandium and vanadium

The only species of Sc is 45 Sc, and the V abundance corresponds to 99.75% of $51V$ and 0.25% of $50V$ [\(Asplund et al.](#page-13-25) [2009\)](#page-13-25), therefore we adopted $51V$ as unique isotope. We selected Sc I, Sc II, and V_I lines that were shown to be strong enough to be detected in red giants. Hyperfine structure (HFS) was taken into account, by applying the code made available by [McWilliam](#page-14-21)

Table 2. Adopted abundances for the Sun, Arcturus, and μ Leo.

El.	$A(X)_{\odot}$	$A(X)_{\text{Arcturus}}$	$A(X)_{\mu \underline{\text{Leo}}}$
Fe	7.50 [1]	6.96 [4]	7.80 [6]
C	8.55 [1]	8.32 [3]	8.55 [6]
N	7.97 [1]	7.68 [4]	8.83 [6]
O	8.76 [2,10]	8.66 [4]	8.97 [6]
Na	6.33 [1]	5.82 [3]	7.06 [7]
Mg	7.58 [1]	7.47 [3]	7.85 [8]
Al	6.47 [1]	6.26 [3]	6.90 [8]
Si	7.55 [1]	7.30 [3]	7.76 [8]
K	5.12 [1]	4.99 [3]	5.63 [8]
Ca	6.36 [1]	5.94 [3]	6.62 [8]
Sc	3.17 [1]	2.81 [3]	3.34 [9]
Ti	5.02 [1]	4.66 [3]	5.40 [8]
V	4.00[1]	3.58 [3]	4.18 [8]
Сr	5.67 [1]	4.99 [3]	6.14 [8]
Mn	5.39 [1]	4.74 [3]	5.79 [8]
Co	4.92 [1]	4.71 [3]	5.23 [8]
Ni	6.25 [1]	5.73 [4]	$6.60\,[8]$
Cu	4.21 [1]	3.67 [5]	4.46 [5]
Zn	4.60 [1]	4.06 [6]	4.80 [6]

References: [1]: [Grevesse et al.](#page-13-26) [\(1996\)](#page-13-26);[2]: [Allende Prieto et al.](#page-13-27) [\(2001\)](#page-13-27); [3]: [Ramírez & Allende-Prieto](#page-14-22) [\(2011\)](#page-14-22); [4]: [Meléndez et al.](#page-14-17) [\(2003\)](#page-14-17) [5]: This work; [6]: [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5); [7]: [Fulbright et al.](#page-13-28) [\(2007\)](#page-13-28); [8]: [Smith et al.](#page-14-23) [\(2013\)](#page-14-23); [9]: [Gratton & Sneden](#page-13-29) [\(1990\)](#page-13-29); [10]: [Steffen et al.](#page-14-24) [\(2015\)](#page-14-24).

[et al.](#page-14-21) [\(2013\)](#page-14-21), together with the A and B constants reported in Table [A.1.](#page-15-0) V and Sc have a nuclear spin $I = 7/2$. Some lines that were blended in the sample stars, or affected by telluric lines, were discarded. This applies to the lines V I 4831.640, 4851.480, 4875.480, 4932.030, 5627.640, 5670.850, 6216.370, and 6285.160 Å.

3.2. Copper

The isotopic fractions of 0.6894 for 63 Cu and 0.3106 for 65 Cu [\(Asplund et al.](#page-13-25) [2009\)](#page-13-25) are considered. Copper abundances were derived from the Cu_I lines at 5105.50 Å and 5218.20 Å. The 5782 Å line is not available in the UVES spectra analysed, which cover the wavelengths 4780–5775 Å and 5817–6821 Å, therefore with a gap of about 40 \AA in the range 5775–5817 \AA . Oscillator strengths of the Cu I lines were selected in the literature from [Kurúcz et al.](#page-14-18) [\(1993\)](#page-14-18), [Bielski](#page-13-30) [\(1975\)](#page-13-30), NIST or VALD, and the final adopted values are reported in Table [A.2.](#page-16-1)

In Table [A.1](#page-15-0) the magnetic dipole A-factor and the electric quadrupole B-factor constants were adopted from [Kurúcz et al.](#page-14-18) [\(1993\)](#page-14-18), and [Biehl](#page-13-31) [\(1976\)](#page-13-31), in order to compute HFS. For the 5218 Å line the constants for the 4d 2D level are not available. According to R. Kurúcz (priv. comm.), the upper level should have much smaller HFS than the lower, because its wavefunction is further away from the nucleus, and setting its splitting to 0.0 is acceptable. The HFS components for the Cu I lines and corresponding oscillator strengths are reported in Table [A.3.](#page-16-0)

The Cu_I 5105 Å and Cu_I 5218 Å lines in the solar spectrum were fitted adopting $A(Cu)_{\odot} = 4.21$ [\(Grevesse et al.](#page-13-26) [1996\)](#page-13-26) cf. Table [2.](#page-2-2) The adopted or derived abundances for each of the reference stars are also presented in Table [2,](#page-2-2) corresponding to $[Cu/Fe] = 0.0$ and $+0.05$ in Arcturus and μ Leo, respectively.

Figure [2](#page-3-1) shows the fits to the solar, Arcturus, and μ Leo spectra for the Cu lines. For the Cu I 5218 Å in Arcturus, an

² [http://www.eso.org/observing/dfo/quality/UVES/](#page-14-21)

[pipeline/solar_spectrum.html](#page-14-21)

 3 [http://kurucz.harvard.edu/atoms.html](#page-14-21)
4 http://physics.nist.gov/PhysBefData/

[http://physics.nist.gov/PhysRefData/ASD/lines_form.](#page-14-21) [html](http://physics.nist.gov/PhysRefData/ASD/lines_form.html)

⁵ [http://vald.astro.univie.ac.at](#page-14-21)

[Fig. 2.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) Fittings on solar, Arcturus, and μ Leo spectra for the Cu I lines at 5105 Å and 5218 Å (yellow lines). Observations (black crosses) are compared with synthetic spectra computed using the adopted abundaces (dashed blue lines).

asymmetry remained in the blue wing of the Fe profile close to the Cu I line. Consequently, the Cu I 5218 Å line was used in the sample stars with caution.

3.3. Manganese and zinc

Manganese has one isotope 55 Mn and, for zinc, $64,66,68$ Zn are the dominant species, present in fractions of 48.63, 27.90, and 18.75% respectively [\(Asplund et al.](#page-13-25) [2009\)](#page-13-25). For these elements a splitting in isotopes was not considered. Manganese abundances were derived from the Mn I triplet lines at 6013.513, 6016.640, 6021.800 Å. The line list of HFS components are given in [Barbuy](#page-13-3) [et al.](#page-13-3) [\(2013\)](#page-13-3). For zinc we used the Zn I 4810.529 and 6362.339 Å lines as detailed in [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5).

4. Abundance analysis

4.1. Atmospheric parameters and abundance derivation

The adopted stellar parameters for all programme stars were derived in previous work [\(Zoccali et al.](#page-14-12) [2004;](#page-14-12) [Alves-Brito et al.](#page-13-12) [2005,](#page-13-12) [2006;](#page-13-13) [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-15) [2006,](#page-13-15) [2014,](#page-13-14) [2016,](#page-13-16) [2018\)](#page-13-11).

The method described in the original papers follow standard procedures

Firstly, colours V–I, V–K, and J–K, corrected by the reddening values reported in Table [3,](#page-3-2) were used together with colour-temperature calibrations by [Alonso et al.](#page-13-32) [\(1999\)](#page-13-32), [Allende](#page-13-27) [Prieto et al.](#page-13-27) [\(2001\)](#page-13-27), and/or [Houdashelt et al.](#page-13-33) [\(2000\)](#page-13-33).

Secondly, gravities of the sample stars were obtained adopting the classical relation below, and final log g values were obtained from ionization equilibrium of Fe I and Fe II lines.

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\log g_* = 4.44 + 4 \log \frac{T_*}{T_\odot} + 0.4(M_{\text{bol}*} - M_{\text{bol}*}) + \log \frac{M_*}{M_\odot}.\tag{1}
$$

We adopted $T_{\odot} = 5770$ K and $M_{\text{bol}\odot} = 4.75$ for the Sun and M_* = 0.80 to 0.88 M_{\odot} for the red giant branch (RGB) stars.

Table 3. Reddening and distance moduli adopted.

Cluster	$E(B-V)$	Ref.	$(m-M)0$	Ref.
47 Tucanae	0.04		13.09	$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{L}}$
NGC 6528	0.46	3	14.45	4
NGC 6553	0.70	5	13.54	4
HP ₁	1.12	6	14.15	7
NGC 6522	0.45	8	13.91	4
NGC 6558	0.38	g	14.43	10

References: [1]: [Harris](#page-13-34) [\(1996\)](#page-13-34); [2]: [Zoccali et al.](#page-14-25) [\(2001a\)](#page-14-25); [3]: [Zoccali](#page-14-12) [et al.](#page-14-12) [\(2004\)](#page-14-12); [4]: [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-35) [\(1998\)](#page-13-35); [5]: [Guarnieri et al.](#page-13-36) [\(1998\)](#page-13-36); [6]: [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-15) [\(2006\)](#page-13-15); [7]: [Ortolani et al.](#page-14-26) [\(2007,](#page-14-26) [2011\)](#page-14-27); [8]: [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-22) [\(2009\)](#page-13-22); [9]: [Terndrup](#page-14-28) [\(1988\)](#page-14-28); [10]: [Rossi et al.](#page-14-29) [\(2015\)](#page-14-29).

In Table [3](#page-3-2) are reported the distance moduli assumed for each sample cluster and corresponding references.

Thirdly, the initial photometric temperatures and gravities were used to compute the excitation and ionization equilibrium. Effective temperatures were then checked by imposing excitation equilibrium for FeI and FeII lines of different excitation potential, and gravities were checked against ionization equilibrium. Microturbulent velocity v_t was determined by cancelling any trend in a FeI abundance versus equivalent width diagram.

Finally, the metallicities for the sample were derived using a set of equivalent widths of Fe I and Fe II lines.

Table [4](#page-4-0) summarizes the final atmospheric parameters obtained for the programme stars. In this Table we also present carbon, nitrogen and oxygen abundance ratios, derived from the C₂(0,1) A³Π–X³Π bandhead at 5635.3 Å, CN(5,1) A²Π–X²Σ 6332.18 Å and the forbidden [OI] 6300.311 Å lines.

Elemental abundances were obtained through line-by-line spectrum synthesis calculations. The calculations of synthetic spectra were carried out using the code described in [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-37) [\(2003\)](#page-13-37), and [Coelho et al.](#page-13-38) [\(2005\)](#page-13-38). Atomic lines are as described in Sect. [3.2,](#page-2-6) and molecular lines of CN $A^2\Pi - X^2\Sigma$, C₂ Swan $A^3\Pi X^3\Pi$ and TiO A³Φ– $X^3\Delta$ γ and B³Φ*i*- $X^3\Delta$ γ' systems are taken
into account. The atmospheric models were obtained by interpointo account. The atmospheric models were obtained by interpolation in the grid of MARCS Local Thermodynamic Equilibrium (LTE) models [\(Gustafsson et al.](#page-13-39) [2008\)](#page-13-39), adopting their spherical and mildly CN-cycled ($[CIFe] = -0.13$, $[N/Fe] = +0.31$) subgrid. These models consider $\lceil \alpha/\text{Fe} \rceil = +0.20$ for $\lceil \text{Fe/H} \rceil = -0.50$ and $[\alpha/\text{Fe}] = +0.40$ for $[\text{Fe/H}] \le -1.00$.

In Fig. [3a](#page-5-1)–c, and [4a](#page-5-2) and b are shown examples of fitting of synthetic spectra to the observed lines.

4.2. Uncertainties

The final adopted atmospheric parameters for all programme stars were based on Fe I and Fe II lines in the papers cited above, and we have adopted their estimated uncertainties in the atmospheric parameters, i.e. ± 100 K for temperature, ± 0.20 for surface gravity, ± 0.10 dex for [Fe/H], and ± 0.20 kms⁻¹ for microturbulent velocity, that impact the [X/Fe] values, and ± 0.10 dex for [Fe/H] is also added to result in errors in [X/Fe]. We note that the addition of the error in [Fe/H] overestimates the total error. In Table [5](#page-6-0) the final uncertainties in the abundances of the iron-peak elements studied are reported for the metal-poor star HP–1:2115, and the metal-rich star NGC 6528:I36. Given that the stellar parameters are correlated among them, the covariance will be non-zero. Since we have taken into account only the diagonal terms of the covariance matrix, these errors are overestimated.

Table 4. Atmospheric parameters adopted.

Star	$T_{\rm eff}$ [K]	$\log g$	[FeI/H]	[FeII/H]	[Fe/H]	v_t [km s ⁻¹]	[C/Fe]	[N/Fe]	[O/Fe]
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
					47 Tucanae				
M8	4086	1.48	-0.62	-0.65	-0.64	$+1.42$	$+0.20$	$+0.50$	$+0.45$
M11	3945	1.20	-0.62	-0.62	-0.62	$+1.49$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.25$
M12	4047	1.45	-0.63	-0.68	-0.66	$+1.45$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.45$
M21	5100	2.46	-0.77	-0.82	-0.80	$+1.42$	$+0.20$	$+0.50$	$+0.30$
M25	4200	1.65	-0.64	-0.67	-0.66	$+1.37$	-0.10	$+0.20$	$+0.35$
					NGC 6553				
$II-64$	4500	2.20	-0.20	-0.20	-0.20	$+1.45$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.45$
$II-85$	3800	1.10	-0.23	-0.29	-0.26	$+1.38$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.30$
III–8	4600	2.40	-0.17	-0.17	-0.17	$+1.40$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.30$
267092	4600	2.50	-0.21	-0.22	-0.22	$+1.50$	$+0.00$	$+1.00$	$\overline{}$
					NGC 6528				
$I-18$	4700	2.00	-0.05	-0.11	-0.08	$+1.50$	-0.20	$+0.30$	$+0.30$
$I-36$	4200	1.50	-0.13	-0.09	-0.11	$+1.50$	-0.30	$+0.80$	$+0.00$
$I-42$	4100	1.60	-0.14	-0.08	-0.11	$+1.20$	$+0.00$	$+0.20$	$+0.05$
					HP ₁				
$HP 1-2$	4630	1.70	-1.02	-0.97	-1.00	$+1.60$	$+0.00$	$+0.20$	$+0.30$
$HP 1-3$	4450	1.75	-0.99	-0.95	-0.97	$+1.40$	$+0.00$	$+0.20$	$+0.30$
2115	4530	2.00	-0.98	-1.02	-1.00	$+1.45$	$+0.00$	$+0.70$	$+0.40$
2461	4780	2.05	-1.13	-1.09	-1.11	$+1.90$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.50$
2939	4525	2.00	-1.07	-1.07	-1.07	$+1.65$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.50$
3514	4560	1.80	-1.18	-1.19	-1.18	$+2.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.80$	$+0.40$
5037	4570	2.15	-0.98	-1.03	-1.00	$+1.20$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.35$
5485	4920	2.07	-1.18	-1.18	-1.18	$+1.80$	$+0.00$	$+0.50$	$+0.40$
					NGC 6522				
$B - 107$	4990	2.00	-1.11	-1.14	-1.13	$+1.40$	$+0.00$	$+0.70$	$+0.30$
$B-122$	4900	2.70	-0.80	-0.82	-0.81	$+1.55$	-0.20	$+0.70$	$+0.40$
$B-128$	4800	2.50	-0.81	-0.82	-0.82	$+1.25$	$+0.10$	$+0.70$	$+0.50$
$B-130$	4850	2.20	-1.03	-1.04	-1.04	$+1.45$	$+0.10$	$+0.70$	$+0.50$
					NGC 6558				
283	4840	2.50	-1.14	-1.16	-1.15	$+1.05$	$+0.10:$	$+0.70$	$+0.50$
364	4880	2.35	-1.18	-1.13	-1.15	$+1.90$	$+0.10$	$+0.80$	$+0.20$
1160	4890	2.35	-1.03	-1.04	-1.04	$+0.73$	$+0.20$	$+1.00$	$+0.50$
1072	4850	2.60	-1.20	-1.26	-1.23	$+1.10$	$+0.10$	$+1.00$	$+0.55$

In order to further inspect the errors in stellar parameters, we applied NLTE corrections to abundances as given in [Lind et al.](#page-14-30) [\(2012\)](#page-14-30), and following suggestions given in [Bergemann et al.](#page-13-40) [\(2012\)](#page-13-40). For star HP1–2939 as an example, we show the LTE excitation and ionization potential plots in Fig. [5,](#page-5-3) restricting to lines with excitation potential $\chi_{\text{ex}} \geq 2.0 \text{ eV}$. We then applied

- a) The NLTE abundance correction to each Fe I line, and ran the excitation and ionization equilibrium once more. This is shown in Fig. [6a](#page-6-1) (left panel). The result is a negligible change in metallicity from Fe I lines of about 0.015 dex.
- b) The NLTE correction on gravity log q , amounting to Δ log $q = 0.04$ - see Fig. [6b](#page-6-1) (right panel). It can be seen that the difference in metallicity between Fe I and Fe II increased to 0.02 instead of the previous 0.01 difference.

c) The NLTE correction on temperature is neglibigle (6 K).

d) The NLTE on microturbulence velocity is also negligible at these metallicities.

As shown in Fig. 6 by [Bergemann et al.](#page-13-40) [\(2012\)](#page-13-40), the effects are not pronounced for stars of metallicity [Fe/H] \gtrsim −1.0, therefore they can be neglected for the present sample stars, given the other larger errors.

We must also take into account errors in S/N and equivalent widths. These errors are given by the [Cayrel et al.](#page-13-41) [\(1988\)](#page-13-41) formula (see also [Cayrel et al.](#page-13-2) [2004\)](#page-13-2). $\sigma = \frac{1.5}{S/N}$ yı $FWHM * \delta x$. A mean $FWHM = 12.5$ pixels, or 0.184 Å is adopted. The CCD pixel size is 15 μ m, or $\delta x = 0.0147$ Å in the spectra. By assuming a mean $S/N = 100$, we derive an error $\Delta EW \sim 0.8$ m Å (we note that this formula neglects the uncertainty in the continuum placement). In

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[Fig. 4.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) Fits of best of Cu I and Zn I for some sample stars.

order to take the S/N and fitting error into account, we adopted $\delta_{\text{noise}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{N-1}}$. These are reported in Table [7.](#page-12-0)

The final error is given by the equation $\delta_{[X/Fe]}$ = V^anoise begrameters where the the text of steam parameters are values given in Table [5](#page-6-0) for the metal-poor stars HP1:2115 are $\frac{2}{\text{noise}} + \delta_{\text{parameters}}^2$ where for the error on stellar parameters the applied to the stars more metal-poor than $[Fe/H] < -0.5$, and those for NGC 6528:I36 to the metal-rich stars. A detailed formalism on errors in abundances and abundance ratios was pre-sented by [McWilliam et al.](#page-14-31) [\(1995\)](#page-14-31). As discussed in [McWilliam](#page-14-31) [et al.](#page-14-31) [\(1995\)](#page-14-31), rigorously the error in [X/Fe] is given by their equation A19: $\sigma [X/Fe]^2 = \sigma [X/H]^2 + \sigma [Fe/H]^2 - \sigma (X,Fe)$,

[Fig. 3.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) Fits of best lines of Sc I, V I, and Mn I Cu I and Zn I for some sample stars.

[Fig. 5.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) Excitation and ionization equilibria of Fe I and Fe II lines for the star 2939 in LTE.

where $\sigma(X,Fe)$ include the covariance terms between average abundances X and Fe. This term is, however, difficult to compute. In conclusion, by adding σ [Fe/H] to our error, the resulting error is overestimated. In Figs. [7](#page-8-0)[–9,](#page-9-0) [11,](#page-10-0) and [13](#page-11-0) the errors in [X/Fe] are those reported in column (6) from Table [5](#page-6-0) plus the δ_{noise} .

5. Results and discussion

Very few abundances are available for iron-peak elements in bulge stars. In this section, we present results and discuss the available chemical evolution models, and associated nucleosynthesis of the studied species. We have included all chemical evolution models available for the Galactic bulge for H. Ernandes et al.: Iron-peak elements Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn in Galactic bulge globular clusters

Table 5. Sensitivity of abundances to changes of $\Delta T_{\text{eff}} = 100 \text{ K}$, $\Delta \log g = +0.20$, and $\Delta v_t = 0.20 \text{ km s}^{-1}$.

Species	ΔT (100 K)	$\Delta \log g$ $(+0.20 \text{ dex})$	Δv_t $(+0.20 \text{ km s}^{-1})$	$(\sum x^2)^{1/2} ([X/Fe]_{sp})$	$(\Sigma x^2)^{1/2}([X/Fe])$ $(+0.10 \text{ dex})$
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
			HP 1: 2115		
ScII	-0.02	$+0.10$	-0.01	$+0.10$	$+0.10$
VI	$+0.15$	$+0.01$	-0.01	$+0.15$	$+0.15$
MnI	$+0.01$	$+0.01$	-0.02	$+0.02$	$+0.03$
CuI	$+0.10$	$+0.02$	-0.10	$+0.14$	$+0.14$
ZnI	-0.05	$+0.10$	-0.01	$+0.12$	$+0.12$
			NGC $6528: I-36$		
ScII	-0.02	$+0.10$	-0.05	$+0.11$	$+0.12$
VI	$+0.05$	$+0.01$	-0.12	$+0.13$	$+0.13$
MnI	$+0.01$	$+0.01$	-0.10	$+0.10$	$+0.10$
CuI	$+0.02$	$+0.01$	-0.12	$+0.12$	$+0.12$
ZnI	$+0.07$	$+0.07$	-0.15	$+0.18$	$+0.19$

Notes. Error estimation usually take into account only these three stellar parameters, [X/Fe]_{*sp*}, as given in column (5). The error in ∆[Fe/H] = 0.1 dex is added in the last column, warning that this is an over estimation.

[Fig. 6.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) Excitation and ionization equilibria of Fe I and Fe II lines for star 2939. *Panel a*: applying NLTE abundance correction; *panel b*: applying NLTE gravity correction.

these elements. The abundances of Sc I, Sc II, V I, Mn I, Cu I, and Zn I for each sample star are listed in Table [6.](#page-7-0) In Figs. [7](#page-8-0)[–9,](#page-9-0) [11,](#page-10-0) and [13](#page-11-0) we plot the element-to-iron ratio versus the metallicity [Fe/H].

5.1. Scandium, vanadium and manganese

Scandium is intermediate between the alpha-elements and the iron-peak elements. ⁴⁵Sc is produced in central He burning and in C-burning shell, in a so-called weak-s process, and during neon burning and as the radioactive progenitor ⁴⁵Ti in explosive oxygen and silicon burning [\(WW95;](#page-14-6) [Limongi & Chieffi](#page-14-32) [2003,](#page-14-32) hereafter LC03). V, Cr, and Mn are mainly produced in incomplete explosive Si burning in outer layers of massive stars [\(WW95,](#page-14-6) [LC03\)](#page-14-33).

Figure [7](#page-8-0) compares the present [Sc/Fe] values with metalpoor bulge stars by [Howes et al.](#page-13-7) [\(2015,](#page-13-7) [2016\)](#page-13-8) for thick disk and halo stars by [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000\)](#page-14-1) and [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [\(2013\)](#page-13-1) and thin and thick disk stars by Battistini $\&$ Bensby [\(2015\)](#page-13-42). The data show a considerable spread, but it is possible to interpret the metal-poor side from Howes et al. and Ishigaki et al. as somewhat enhanced with $[Sc/Fe] \sim 0.2$. [Fishlock et al.](#page-13-43) [\(2017\)](#page-13-43) confirm the findings by [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000\)](#page-14-1), that high- and low-alpha halo stars show high and low Sc abundances respectively. Data

Table 6. Line-by-line abundance ratios of Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn for the sample.

				47 Tucanae					NGC 6553			NGC 6528			HP ₁
Line	$\lambda(\AA)$	M8	M11	M12	M21	M ₂₅	$II-64$	$II-85$	$III-8$	267092	$I-18$	$I-36$	$I-42$	$\boldsymbol{2}$	3
ScI	5671.805	$+0.00$	$+0.03$	$+0.05$	$+0.00$	-0.10	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	-0.15	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	\overline{a}	$+0.00$
ScI	5686.826	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.10$	$\bar{}$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.25	-0.30	-0.50	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$\qquad \qquad -$
ScI	6210.676	-0.25	-0.30	-0.10	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.20	-0.30	\equiv	-0.30	-0.30	-0.50	-0.60	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$
ScII	5526.790	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.05$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.40	-0.30	-0.30	-0.15	$+0.00$
ScII	5552.224	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	$\overline{}$	$+0.10$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$\overline{}$	\equiv	\equiv	\equiv	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.00$
ScII	5657.896	$+0.20$	$+0.15$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$
ScII	5684.202	$+0.30$	$+0.05$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$ $+0.25$	-0.10	$+0.30$	-0.25	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$
ScII ScII	6245.637 6300.698	$+0.10$ $+0.15$	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	$+0.00$ $+0.10$	$+0.00$ $\overline{}$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	$+0.10$ $+0.25$	-0.30 -0.15	$+0.00$ $\overline{}$	-0.30 -0.30	-0.30 -0.40	$\overline{}$ $+0.00$	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	$+0.00$ $+0.30$
ScII	6320.851	$+0.15$	$+0.10$	$+0.25$	$+0.00$	$+0.20$	$+0.00$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$
ScII	6604.601	$+0.15$	$+0.00$	$+0.05$	-0.10	$+0.00$	-0.15	÷,	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.35	-0.45	-0.30	-0.20	-0.15
VI	5703.560	$+0.10$	$+0.00$	$+0.10$	-0.20	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.25$	-0.25	$+0.00$	-0.12	-0.10	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$
VI	6081.440	-0.10	$+0.00$	-0.05	-0.30	-0.10	-0.10	$\overline{}$	-0.10	-0.15	-0.30	-0.15	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.25
VI	6090.220	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.15$	-0.05	$+0.00$	-0.25	$+0.00$	-0.15	-0.15	-0.25	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.10
VI	6119.520	$+0.00$	$+0.05$	$+0.12$	-0.05	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.15	-0.10	-0.30	$+0.00$	$\overline{}$	-0.20
VI	6199.190	-0.15	$+0.00$	-0.10	-0.10	$+0.00$	-0.30	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.10	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.10	-0.12
VI	6243.100	-0.10	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.35	\equiv	-0.25	-0.15	-0.20	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.15	-0.10
VI	6251.820	-0.10	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	-0.30	-0.15	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.05
VI	6274.650	-0.10	$+0.00$	-0.10	-0.15	$+0.00$	-0.15	$\overline{}$	-0.30	-0.15	-0.20	-0.15	$+0.00$	-0.10	\equiv
VI	6285.160	$+0.00$	-0.05	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	$\qquad \qquad -$	\equiv	\equiv	-0.30	\equiv	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	\equiv
MnI	6013.513	-0.10	-0.05	$+0.00$	-0.40	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.45	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.60	-0.50
MnI	6016.640	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	-0.40	-0.30	-0.30	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.45	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	\equiv	-0.60	-0.55
MnI	6021.800	-0.20	-0.30	-0.30	-0.50	-0.30	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.40	\equiv	-0.30	-0.30	-0.20	-0.50	-0.60
CuI	5105.537	$+0.20$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.10	-0.30	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.30	-0.60	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.60
CuI	5218.197	$+0.30$	$+0.30$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$\overline{}$	\overline{a}	-0.15	$+0.30$	-0.15	-0.45	$\qquad \qquad -$	-1.00	-0.30
ZnI	4810.529	$+0.25$	$+0.00$	$+0.02$	$+0.05$	$+0.25$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	-0.05	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.00$
ZnI	6362.339	$+0.30$	$+0.05$	$+0.30$	$+0.05$	$+0.25$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	-0.00	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.00$
				$HP-1$					NGC 6522			NGC 6558			
Line	$\lambda(\AA)$	2115	2461	2939	3514	5037	5485	$B-107$	$B-122$	$B-128$	$B-130$	283	364	1072	1160
ScI	5671.805	-0.10	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.12$	$+0.05$	-0.12	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$+0.00$	-0.30	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$			$\overline{}$
ScI	5686.826	$+0.10$	\equiv	$+0.25$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$
ScI	6210.676	$+0.15$	$\hspace{0.1in} - \hspace{0.1in}$	$+0.15$	$\overline{}$	-0.05	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.05	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	\equiv
ScII	5526.790	-0.15	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.30	-0.18	-0.30	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.05	-0.30	-0.15	-0.15	-0.15
ScII	5552.224	$+0.30$	\equiv	\equiv	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\overline{}$	-0.30	\equiv	$\overline{}$	$+0.30$	$\overline{}$	\equiv	$\overline{}$	\equiv
ScII	5657.896	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.10$	$+0.15$	$+0.00$	$+0.05$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.3	-0.15	$+0.30$	-0.10
ScII	5684.202	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.15	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.15	$+0.10$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.10	$+0.30$	$\overline{}$
ScII	6245.637	$+0.10$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.12$	$+0.03$	-0.10	$+0.15$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.03	\equiv	-0.30	-0.20
ScII	6300.698	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	\equiv	$+0.30$	$+0.30$	\equiv	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	$+0.60$	$\overline{}$	$+0.00$
ScII	6320.851	$+0.00$	$+0.15$	$+0.30$	$+0.30$	$+0.15$	$+0.00$	-0.15	$+0.15$	$+0.30$	$+0.15$	$+0.00$	$\bar{ }$	$+0.15$	-0.30
ScII	6604.601	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.30$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	-0.05	-0.30	$+0.05$	$+0.15$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	$+0.10$	-0.05
VI	5703.560	$+0.00$	-0.10	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$\hspace{1.0cm} -$	-0.20	-0.10	-0.05	-0.05	$+0.00$	-0.30	$+0.00$
VI	6081.440	$+0.00$	\equiv	$+0.00$	$+0.02$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	-0.25	-0.10	-0.15	$+0.05$	$+0.30$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$
VI	6090.220 6119.520	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.15	-0.1	-0.05	$+0.00$	-0.15	-0.10
VI VI		$+0.05$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$\overline{}$ \equiv	$+0.00$ $\overline{}$	$+0.00$	-0.15	$+0.0$	-0.05 $+0.00$	$+0.00$ $\overline{}$	$+0.00$	-0.10 $+0.05$
VI	6199.190 6243.100	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	-0.05 $+0.00$	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	$+0.05$ $+0.05$	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	$+0.00$	-0.15	$+0.00$ $+0.00$	$+0.00$ -0.10	$+0.0$ $+0.0$	$+0.00$	\equiv	-0.30 -0.20	$+0.00$
VI	6251.820	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.05$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	-0.10	$+0.0$	-0.05	$+0.00$	$+0.15$	-0.15	$+0.10$
VI	6274.650	\equiv	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	$+0.00$	\equiv	-0.10	$+0.00$	-0.25	-0.15	\equiv	$\hspace{1.0cm} - \hspace{1.0cm}$	-0.15	$+0.00$
VI	6285.160	$\overline{}$	\equiv	\equiv	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	\equiv	\equiv	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$\hspace{0.1mm}-\hspace{0.1mm}$	$\overline{}$	$\hspace{1.0cm} - \hspace{1.0cm}$	$\overline{}$	\equiv
MnI	6013.513	-0.30	-0.3	-0.30	-0.30	-0.35	-0.40	-0.55	-0.50	-0.55	-0.50	-0.50	-0.25	-0.60	-0.50
MnI	6016.640	-0.30	-0.3	-0.30	-0.30	-0.35	-0.55	-0.55	-0.60	-0.60	-0.60	\equiv	-0.32	-0.60	-0.35
MnI	6021.800	-0.30	-0.2	-0.30	-0.50	-0.40	-0.50	-0.55	-0.60	-0.60	-0.60	-0.40	-0.30	-0.65	-0.50
CuI	5105.537	-0.80	-0.8	-1.00	-1.10	-1.00	-1.00	-0.60	-0.60	-0.50	-0.60	-0.70	-0.60	-0.80	-0.70
CuI	5218.197	-0.30	-0.1	$+0.00$	-0.60	-0.30	\equiv	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	-0.30	$\overline{}$	-0.1	\equiv
ZnI ZnI	4810.529 6362.339	\equiv $\overline{}$	-0.30 \equiv	-0.60 \equiv	-0.10 $\overline{}$	-0.30 $\hspace{1.0cm} -$	-0.30 \equiv	$+0.05$ $+0.15$	-0.25 $+0.15$	$+0.00$ $+0.30$	-0.30 -0.15	-0.10 \equiv	$\hspace{0.1in} \hspace{0.1in} \hspace{0.1in} \hspace{0.1in} \hspace{0.1in} \hspace{0.1in}$	$+0.00$ \equiv	$+0.20$ $\overline{}$

[Fig. 7.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [Sc/Fe] vs. [Fe/H]. Symbols: present work (filled red circles), [Bensby et al.](#page-13-44) [\(2017;](#page-13-44) black filled circles), [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000;](#page-14-1) filled blue diamonds), [Howes et al.](#page-13-7) [\(2015;](#page-13-7) open green circles), [Howes et al.](#page-13-8) [\(2016;](#page-13-8) green crosses), [Battistini & Bensby](#page-13-42) [\(2015;](#page-13-42) grey filled circles). Error bars on [Sc/Fe] are indicated. Errors in [Fe/H] can be assumed to be constant, of the order of ∆[Fe/H] = ±0.17 dex.

by [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000\)](#page-14-1) tend to show a trend of decreasing [Sc/Fe] with increasing metallicity. Contrarily to the Sc enhancement in the more metal-poor stars from [Howes et al.](#page-13-7) [\(2015,](#page-13-7) [2016\)](#page-13-8), the present results on moderately metal-poor bulge clusters do not show a significant Sc enhancement. Our resulting values are lower than those of [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000\)](#page-14-1), and fit well the level of [Sc/Fe] values by [Battistini & Bensby](#page-13-42) [\(2015\)](#page-13-42) for thin and thick disk stars. The metal-rich globular clusters NGC 6528 and NGC 6553 show a spread in Sc abundances at [Fe/H] ∼ –0.2, that might be considered as a decrease with increasing metallicity at the high metallicity end.

Figure [8](#page-9-1) shows that V varies in lockstep with Fe. There are no V abundances for bulge stars other than the present data. The thin and thick disk data from [Reddy et al.](#page-14-34) [\(2003,](#page-14-34) [2006\)](#page-14-35) are overplotted. The thick disk V abundances from [Reddy](#page-14-35) [et al.](#page-14-35) [\(2006\)](#page-14-35) appear to be enhanced with respect to thin disk stars [\(Reddy et al.](#page-14-34) [2003\)](#page-14-34), as well as to the present results, whereas they seem to be at the same level as thin and thick disk stars by [Battistini & Bensby](#page-13-42) [\(2015\)](#page-13-42). For the more metal-rich stars the bulge globular cluster stars tend to decrease with increasing metallicity, which could be due to enrichment in Fe by Supernovae of type Ia (SNIa). Due to uncertainties, the spread in the data do now allow us to derive further conclusions from V abundances.

[Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006\)](#page-13-45), (hereafter K06) have shown that Sc, and V yields are underabundant by 1 dex based on previous nucleosynthesis prescriptions. [Umeda & Nomoto](#page-14-36) [\(2005\)](#page-14-36), hereafter UN05, [Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006\)](#page-13-45), [Nomoto et al.](#page-14-8) [\(2013\)](#page-14-8) have introduced a low-density model, during explosive burning, enhancing Sc abundance through the alpha-rich freezeout. [Yoshida et al.](#page-14-37) [\(2008\)](#page-14-37) applied a ν-process to Si explosive nucleosynthesis, producing larger amounts of Sc, V, and Mn production by a factor of ten. [Fröhlich et al.](#page-13-46) [\(2006\)](#page-13-46) showed that a delayed neutrino mechanism leading to an electron fraction value of $Y_e \ge 0.5$ in the innermost region gives larger production of Sc,
Ti and Zn, In conclusion, given that the qualitable models do not Ti, and Zn. In conclusion, given that the available models do not

reproduce the observations [\(Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [2006\)](#page-13-45) for both Sc and V, due to low nucleosynthesis yields, these models are not overplotted on the data.

Figure [9](#page-9-0) shows [Mn/Fe] vs. [Fe/H] for the present results, together with previous results in Galactic bulge stars measured by [McWilliam et al.](#page-14-3) [\(2003\)](#page-14-3), [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-3) [\(2013\)](#page-13-3), and [Schultheis et al.](#page-14-5) [\(2017\)](#page-14-5), and results for thin and thick disk stars by Battistini $\&$ Bensby [\(2015\)](#page-13-42). We note that NLTE corrections in the range of parameters of the present data are small [\(Bergemann & Gehren](#page-13-47) [2008\)](#page-13-47). The only available bulge chemical evolution models by [Cescutti et al.](#page-13-48) [\(2008\)](#page-13-48) and [Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006\)](#page-13-45) are overplotted. [Cescutti et al.](#page-13-48) [\(2008\)](#page-13-48) computed models for Mn enrichment in the Galactic bulge, adopting a star formation rate 20 times faster than in the solar neighbourhood, and a flatter Initial Mass Function (IMF) Their preferred model adopts metallicity dependent yields from [WW95](#page-14-6) for massive stars, and [Iwamoto et al.](#page-13-49) [\(1999\)](#page-13-49) for intermediate mass stars. [K06](#page-13-45) produced a grid of yields, including both supernovae of type II (SNII) and hypernovae, and further have built chemical evolution models for Galaxy components, including the bulge.

The present Mn abundances in globular cluster stars follow the trend of field stars, i.e. with [Mn/Fe] ~ -0.5 at [Fe/H] ~ -1.5 , increasing steadily with increasing metallicity, and they are well reproduced by the models. Finally, Fig. [10](#page-10-1) shows [Mn/O] vs. [Fe/H], revealing differences between thin, thick and bulge stars, as previously pointed out by [Feltzing et al.](#page-13-50) [\(2007\)](#page-13-50) and [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-3) [\(2013\)](#page-13-3). This is of great importance since [Mn/O] can be used as a discriminator between different stellar populations, that otherwise have a similar behaviour.

5.2. Copper

The ^{63,65}Cu isotopes are mainly produced through neutroncapture during core He burning and convective shell carbon burning, therefore Cu may be classified as produced in a weak

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[Fig. 8.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [V/Fe] vs. [Fe/H]. Symbols: present work (filled red circles), [Reddy et al.](#page-14-34) [\(2003;](#page-14-34) green filled triangles), [Reddy et al.](#page-14-35) [\(2006;](#page-14-35) navyblue filled triangles), [Battistini & Bensby](#page-13-42) [\(2015;](#page-13-42) grey filled circles). Errors are assumed as in Fig. [7.](#page-8-0)

[Fig. 9.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [Mn/Fe] vs. [Fe/H] for the sample stars and literature data: the present sample (red filled circles), [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000;](#page-14-1) blue filled diamonds), [Sobeck et al.](#page-14-4) [\(2006;](#page-14-4) black filled circles), [McWilliam et al.](#page-14-3) [\(2003;](#page-14-3) deep sky blue filled circles), [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-3) [\(2013;](#page-13-3) green filled triangles), [Schultheis](#page-14-5) [et al.](#page-14-5) [\(2017;](#page-14-5) blue filled circles), and [Battistini & Bensby](#page-13-42) [\(2015;](#page-13-42) grey filled circles). Chemical evolution models by [Cescutti et al.](#page-13-48) [\(2008;](#page-13-48) blue dashed line) are overplotted. Errors are assumed as in Fig. [7.](#page-8-0)

s-process component [\(LC03\)](#page-14-33). Some primary ⁶⁵Cu is also made as ⁶⁵Zn in explosive nucleosynthesis through alpha-rich freezeout [\(WW95,](#page-14-6) [Pignatari et al.](#page-14-38) [2010\)](#page-14-38). Cu is not significantly produced in SNIa, nor in Asymptotic Giant Branch (AGB) stars or through the *r*-process [\(Pignatari et al.](#page-14-38) [2010\)](#page-14-38).

[Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014\)](#page-13-4) derived copper abundances for a large sample of bulge red giants. Their results show a low Cu abundance ratio at low metallicities that increases with increasing [Fe/H]. For supersolar metallicities, [Cu/Fe] values appear to be enhanced relative to other stellar populations.

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[Fig. 10.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [Mn/O] vs. [Fe/H]. Symbols: present work (red filled circles), [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-3) [\(2013;](#page-13-3) green filled triangles), [Feltzing et al.](#page-13-50) [\(2007\)](#page-13-50) thin disk (violet open squares), [Feltzing et al.](#page-13-50) [\(2007\)](#page-13-50) thick disk (violet filled circles). Errors are assumed as in Fig. [7.](#page-8-0)

[Fig. 11.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [Cu/Fe] vs. [Fe/H] for the present sample (red filled circles), [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014;](#page-13-4) green filled circles), and [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [\(2013;](#page-13-1) blue filled circles). Chemical evolution models by and [Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006;](#page-13-45) red dotted lines) are overplotted. Errors are assumed as in Fig. [7.](#page-8-0)

The present results are plotted in Fig. [11,](#page-10-0) together with data from [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014\)](#page-13-4) for the bulge, and [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [\(2013\)](#page-13-1) for the thick disk. Our results tend to be less enhanced than those by [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014\)](#page-13-4). There is good agreement between the data and the models by [Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006\)](#page-13-45). The metal-poor clusters show very low [Cu/Fe].

According to [McWilliam](#page-14-11) [\(2016\)](#page-14-11) [Cu/O] has much less spread than [Cu/Fe] data. Figure [12](#page-11-1) shows [Cu/O] vs. [Fe/H], where the behaviour of the sample cluster stars track well the [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014\)](#page-13-4) field stars data. This rather straight correlation between Cu and O indicates the production of Cu and O in the same massive stars.

5.3. Zinc

The main isotopes of Ti, Co, Ni, Cu, and Zn are produced only or mainly in the zone that undergoes explosive Si burning with complete Si exhaustion [\(LC03\)](#page-14-33). The relevant Zn isotopes $64,66,67,68$ Zn are produced in core He burning but 64 Zn is destroyed in convective C shell; they are also produced in α -rich freeze-out layers in complete explosive Si-burning [\(LC03;](#page-14-33) [WW95;](#page-14-6) [Woosley et al.](#page-14-7) [2002;](#page-14-7) [Nomoto et al.](#page-14-8) [2013\)](#page-14-8). These contributions do not, however, explain the high [Zn/Fe] observed in metal-poor stars. [Umeda & Nomoto](#page-14-39) [\(2002,](#page-14-39) [2005\)](#page-14-36) and [Nomoto et al.](#page-14-8) (2013) suggested that ⁶⁴Zn is produced in energetic explosive nucleosynthesis so-called hypernovae.

Figure [13](#page-11-0) shows [Zn/Fe] vs. [Fe/H] for the present sample, and bulge field stars from [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5), [Bensby et al.](#page-13-51) [\(2013,](#page-13-51) [2017\)](#page-13-44), and metal-poor stars from [Howes et al.](#page-13-7) [\(2015,](#page-13-7) [2016\)](#page-13-8), [Casey & Schlaufman](#page-13-9) [\(2015\)](#page-13-9) and [Koch et al.](#page-13-10) [\(2016\)](#page-13-10), and for thick disk stars data from [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [\(2013\)](#page-13-1) and [Nissen &](#page-14-40) [Schuster](#page-14-40) [\(2011\)](#page-14-40).

[Fig. 12.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [Cu/O] vs. [Fe/H]. Data from the present work (red filled circles), and from [Johnson et al.](#page-13-4) [\(2014;](#page-13-4) green filled circles) are plotted.

[Fig. 13.](http://dexter.edpsciences.org/applet.php?DOI=10.1051/0004-6361/201731708&pdf_id=0) [Zn/Fe] vs. [Fe/H]. Symbols: present work (filled red circles), [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015;](#page-13-5) green filled triangles), [Ishigaki et al.](#page-13-1) [\(2013;](#page-13-1) blue filled circles), [Howes et al.](#page-13-7) [\(2015;](#page-13-7) green open circles), [Howes et al.](#page-13-8) [\(2016;](#page-13-8) green crosses), [Casey & Schlaufman](#page-13-9) [\(2015;](#page-13-9) grey filled circles), [Koch et al.](#page-13-10) [\(2016;](#page-13-10) black open squares), [Bensby et al.](#page-13-44) [\(2017;](#page-13-44) black filled circles). Chemical evolution models by [Kobayashi et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006;](#page-13-45) red dotted line). The [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5) models are shown for enrichment timescales of 2 (black) and 3 (blue) Gyr. In each case, the models for radius with respect to the Galactic centre of $r < 0.5$ kpc (dashed lines), $0.5 < r < 1$ kpc (dotted lines), $1 < r < 2$ kpc (dashe-dotted lines), $2 < r < 3$ kpc (long-dashed lines) are overplotted. Errors are assumed as in Fig. [7.](#page-8-0)

A high Zn abundance is found for bulge metal-poor stars in the range –3.0 \leq [Fe/H] \leq –0.8. This behaviour is similar to that previously reported in metal-poor halo and disk stars (e.g. [Sneden et al.](#page-14-41) [1991;](#page-14-41) [Nissen & Schuster](#page-14-40) [2011\)](#page-14-40). In all samples [Zn/Fe] decreases with increasing metallicity, reaching a solar value at [Fe/H] $≥$ –0.4.

The nucleosynthesis taking place in hypernovae is needed to reproduce this Zn enhancement in metal-poor stars, as proposed by [Umeda & Nomoto](#page-14-36) [\(2005\)](#page-14-36), and [Nomoto et al.](#page-14-8) [\(2013,](#page-14-8) and references therein). The contribution in Zn by hypernovae in the chemical evolution models by [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5) proved to be needed to reproduce the data (see their Fig. 12). As for the present results [Zn/Fe] is enhanced in the metal-poor clusters

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and decreases with metallicity, following the literature data. The exception is the globular cluster HP 1, showing low [Zn/Fe] at its metallicity of [Fe/H] ∼ –1.0. A further inspection of this cluster would be of great interest, given that it has characteristics of being very old, and could reveal particularities due to its early formation.

Figure [13](#page-11-0) compares [Zn/Fe] vs. [Fe/H] for bulge stars with chemodynamical evolution models of the Galactic bulge by [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5), further described in [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-11) [\(2018,](#page-13-11) and in prep.). The hypernovae yields are suitable for metallicities more metal-poor than [Fe/H] \leq –2.0, as adopted in these models [\(Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [2015,](#page-13-5) [2018,](#page-13-11) and in prep.; [da Silveira et al.](#page-13-52) [2018\)](#page-13-52). For this reason these models in the

Table 7. Mean abundances of Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn for the sample.

						Mean abundances						
Stars [Fe/H]	[ScI/Fe]	$\delta_{\rm [ScI/Fe]}$	[ScII/Fe]	$\delta_{\rm [ScII/Fe]}$	[VI/Fe]	$\delta_{\rm [VI/Fe]}$	[MnI/Fe]	$\delta_{\text{[Mnl/Fe]}}$	[CuI/Fe]	δ [CuI/Fe]	[ZnI/Fe]	δ [ZnI/Fe]
			47Tuc									
-0.64 M8	-0.08	0.12	$+0.13$	0.08	-0.05	0.07	-0.20	0.08	$+0.25$	0.04	$+0.28$	0.03
-0.62 M11	-0.09	0.15	$+0.04$	0.06	$+0.00$	0.02	-0.22	0.12	$+0.12$	0.12	$+0.03$	0.03
M12 -0.66	$+0.02$	0.08	$+0.15$	0.12	$+0.01$	0.09	-0.20	0.14	$+0.15$	0.12	$+0.16$	0.14
M21 -0.80	$+0.00$	0.08	-0.02	0.04	-0.13	0.11	-0.43	0.05	-0.15	0.12	$+0.03$	0.03
M25 -0.66	-0.10	$\overline{}$	$+0.14$	0.12	-0.01	0.03	-0.30	0.00	$+0.00$	0.00	$+0.25$	0.00
			NGC 6553									
$II-64 -0.20$	-0.30	0.00	-0.06	0.06	-0.14	0.13	-0.30	0.00	$+0.00$	0.24	$\overline{}$	
$II-85 -0.26$	-0.15	0.15	$+0.21$	0.08	$+0.08$	0.12	$+0.00$	0.00	$+0.10$	0.16		
$III-8$ -0.17	-0.30	0.00	-0.16	0.13	-0.18	0.10	-0.43	0.02	$+0.15$	0.24	-0.15	0.03
$III-9$ -0.22	-0.23	0.06	$+0.05$	0.12	-0.15	0.08	-0.30	0.00	$+0.30$	0.12	$+0.30$	0.00
			NGC 6528									
-0.08 $I-18$	-0.37	0.09	-0.32	0.02	-0.23	0.08	-0.30	0.00	-0.15	0.12	-0.15	0.08
-0.11 $I-36$	-0.47	0.12	-0.29	0.14	-0.24	0.08	-0.20	0.14	$+0.00$	0.24	-0.37	0.03
$I-42 -0.11$	-0.10	0.14	-0.10	0.12	$+0.00$	0.00	-0.10	0.10	-0.30	0.24	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$
			HP ₁									
-1.00 2	$+0.00$	$\overline{}$	-0.05	0.07	-0.22	0.09	-0.57	0.05	-1.00	\equiv	$+0.30$	
3 -0.97	$+0.00$	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.02	0.12	-0.12	0.08	-0.55	0.04	-0.45	0.12	$+0.00$	
2115 -1.00	$+0.05$	0.11	$+0.07$	0.13	$+0.01$	0.02	-0.30	0.00	-0.55	0.20	$\overline{}$	
2461 -1.11	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$+0.02$	0.06	-0.02	0.04	-0.27	0.05	-0.45	0.29	-0.30	
$2939 - 1.07$	$+0.17$	0.06	$+0.20$	0.12	$+0.01$	0.02	-0.30	0.00	-0.50	0.41	-0.60	$\qquad \qquad -$
3514 -1.18	$+0.05$	$\overline{}$	$+0.06$	0.18	$+0.02$	0.02	-0.37	0.09	-0.85	0.20	-0.10	$\qquad \qquad -$
$5037 - 1.00$	-0.09	0.04	$+0.08$	0.10	$+0.00$	0.00	-0.37	0.02	-0.65	0.29	-0.30	$\qquad \qquad -$
$5485 - 1.18$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	-0.03	0.07	$+0.00$	0.00	-0.48	0.06	-1.00	$\overline{}$	-0.30	$\qquad \qquad -$
			NGC 6522									
$B-107 - 1.13$	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.11	0.12	-0.06	0.06	-0.55	0.00	-0.45	0.12	$+0.10$	0.05
$B-122-0.81$	$+0.00$	$\overline{}$	$+0.07$	0.06	-0.07	0.10	-0.57	0.05	-0.45	0.12	-0.05	0.20
$B-128-0.82$	-0.18	0.13	$+0.06$	0.11	-0.12	0.07	-0.58	0.02	-0.40	0.08	$+0.15$	0.15
$B-130-1.04$	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	$+0.05$	0.11	-0.06	0.06	-0.57	0.05	-0.45	0.12	-0.23	0.08
			NGC 6558									
-1.15 283	\equiv	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.16	0.16	-0.01	0.03	-0.45	0.05	-0.50	0.16	-0.10	$\overline{}$
364 -1.15	$\qquad \qquad -$	$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.05$	0.32	$+0.09$	0.12	-0.29	0.03	-0.60	$\overline{}$	$\overline{}$	
1072 -1.23		$\qquad \qquad -$	$+0.07$	0.22	-0.16	0.11	-0.62	0.07	-0.45	0.29	$+0.00$	
1160 -1.04	$\overline{}$	$\qquad \qquad -$	-0.13	0.11	-0.01	0.06	-0.45	0.02	-0.70	$\overline{}$	$+0.20$	$\qquad \qquad -$

range $-2.0 <$ [Fe/H] < -1.0 are interrupted. Models by [Kobayashi](#page-13-45) [et al.](#page-13-45) [\(2006\)](#page-13-45) taking into account hypernovae also reproduce well the Zn behaviour.

For disk stars with [Fe/H] > 0.0, [Reddy et al.](#page-14-34) [\(2003,](#page-14-34) [2006\)](#page-14-35) obtained [Zn/Fe] ∼ 0.0, [Bensby et al.](#page-13-53) [\(2003,](#page-13-53) [2005\)](#page-13-54) found [Zn/Fe] essentially constant, whereas [Allende-Prieto et al.](#page-13-55) [\(2004\)](#page-13-55) found increasing [Zn/Fe] with increasing metallicity. The [Bensby et al.](#page-13-51) [\(2013,](#page-13-51) [2017\)](#page-13-44) results for microlensed dwarf bulge stars also give a solar [Zn/Fe] at all metallicities, differently from [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5), where [Zn/Fe] decreases sharply at the high metallicity end. The present results for the metal-rich clusters also appear to decrease with increasing metallicity, despite some spread. This decrease implies the action of SNIa, and could be an evidence of differences in the chemical enrichment of bulge giants and a thick disk sample. It is interesting that [Duffau et al.](#page-13-56) [\(2017\)](#page-13-56) also found decreasing [Zn/Fe] for red giants, and constant [Zn/Fe] for dwarfs, at the supersolar metallicities. They interpreted this discrepancy in terms of stellar populations, i.e. that their red giants should be younger than the dwarfs, and for this reason, the red giants should have been enriched in Fe by SNIa. The age explanation does not fit the present data, because our sample consists of old globular clusters. Stars in NGC 6528 have subsolar [Zn/Fe], whereas NGC 6553 has [Zn/Fe] ∼ +0.3 for one star, and subsolar in the other star. In particular, at its location in the Galaxy, NGC 6553 has kinematical characteristics compatible with bulge or disk stars [\(Zoccali et al.](#page-14-42) [2001b\)](#page-14-42), whereas NGC 6528 is located in the bulge, so that they might be different from each other. In conclusion, there seems to be a trend to have decreasing Zn-to-Fe with increasing metallicity, despite it not being clear for NGC 6553. Another aspect is the suggestion that the local metal-rich thick disk consists of stars having migrated from the inner regions of the Galaxy [\(Adibekyan et al.](#page-13-57) [2013;](#page-13-57) [Anders et al.](#page-13-58) [2017;](#page-13-58) [Grisoni et al.](#page-13-59) [2017\)](#page-13-59). [Recio-Blanco et al.](#page-14-43) [\(2017\)](#page-14-43) has also advanced a possibility of this population corresponding to a dwarf galaxy that previously merged with the Milky Way in the solar vicinity. One question that comes to mind is whether it would be possible that the metal-rich bulge stars either by [Barbuy et al.](#page-13-5) [\(2015\)](#page-13-5), or those by [Bensby et al.](#page-13-44) [\(2017\)](#page-13-44) correspond to the alpha-enhanced thick disk by [Grisoni et al.](#page-13-59) [\(2017\)](#page-13-59). To test this it would be of interest to derive Zn abundances in these metal-rich thick disk stars.

[Skúladóttir et al.](#page-14-2) [\(2017\)](#page-14-2) derived Zn abundances in stars of the dwarf galaxy Sculptor. [Skúladóttir et al.](#page-14-44) [\(2018\)](#page-14-44) further analyse the behaviour of [Zn/Fe], and find [Zn/Fe] decreasing with increasing metallicities, and verified that the same occurs with other dwarf galaxies studied in the literature such as Sagittarius, Sextans, Draco and Ursa Minor. The authors suggest that it is more naturally explained by the enrichment of Fe, and no Zn enrichment from SNIa, therefore a behaviour similar to that of alpha-elements, although other less likely possibilities are discussed.

Finally, a general comment is that there is a trend for the cluster stars to be deficient relative to field bulge stars for Sc, V, and Zn. In particular at the metal-rich end, it could be attributed to noise in the spectra. For the metal-poor clusters, on the other hand, further inspection would be of great interest, because it could have an impact in the interpretation of enrichment of these globular clusters.

6. Summary

Globular clusters of the Galactic bulge should trace the formation process of the central parts of the Galaxy. They are also tracers of the older stellar populations in the bulge. Chemical tagging is a next big step for the understanding of the Milky Way formation. The iron-peak elements have been little studied so far, but their study should help understanding: a) nucleosynthesis of these elements is complex and observations can help constraining their formation; b) Sc and V appear to vary in lockstep with Fe in the present sample, but Sc has been found to be alpha-like in thick disk and halo stars, and further studies are needed; c) Mn is deficient in metal-poor stars, and steadily increases with metallicity due to enrichment from SNIa; d) Cu shows a secondary-like behaviour, in principle indicating its production in a weak *s*-process in massive stars; d) Zn is alpha-like in halo and thick disk stars, and also in the bulge, as concerns metal-poor stars. For metal-rich stars there is a controversy as to whether it decreases with increasing metallicity, or if [Zn/Fe] maintains a solar value.

We have derived abundances of the iron-peak elements Sc, V, Mn, Cu, and Zn, in 23 red giants in the five bulge globular clusters NGC 6553, NGC 6528, HP 1, NGC 6522, NGC 6558, and five red giants in the reference inner halo or thick disk cluster 47 Tucanae. The work was based on FLAMES-UVES high-resolution spectra obtained at the VLT UT2 telescope.

Vanadium varies in lockstep with Fe. Sc behaves similarly to V, not showing a clear enhancement, which was previouly suggested by [Nissen et al.](#page-14-1) [\(2000\)](#page-14-1) for alpha-rich halo and thick disk stars. Both [Sc/Fe] and [V/Fe] seem to decrease with increasing metallicity at the high metallicity end.

Manganese is deficient in metal-poor stars and increases to solar values for the more metal-rich stars, indicating that it is underproduced in massive stars, and later produced in SNIa. Copper shows a behaviour as secondary element, having low values at low metallicities, and steadily increasing with increasing metallicity, indicating an enrichment through a weak-s process in massive stars, and in good agreement with chemical evolution models.

Zinc is enhanced in metal-poor stars, likewise an alphaelement, and decreases with increasing metallicity. At the high metallicity end the behaviour of the present data is different from that found by [Bensby et al.](#page-13-51) [\(2013,](#page-13-51) [2017\)](#page-13-44), that show solar ratios at the high metallicities. This could be a discriminator of having the contribution of SNIa or not. This is made less clear given the difference in [Zn/Fe] found by [Duffau et al.](#page-13-56) [\(2017\)](#page-13-56) for red giants and dwarfs. It is important to stress that [Skúladóttir et al.](#page-14-2) [\(2017,](#page-14-2) [2018\)](#page-14-44) also found [Zn/Fe] decreasing with metallicity for dwarf galaxies. It is of great interest to pursue abundance derivation of iron-peak elements, and in particular Sc in all stellar populations, and Zn in bulge stars.

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Appendix A: Atomic data

In Table [A.1](#page-15-0) are given the hyperfine structure constants of Sc, V, and Cu lines.

Table A.1. Atomic constants for ScI and ScII used to compute hyperfine structure.

Species	λ (Å)	Lower level	J	A(mK)	$A(MHz)$ $B(mK)$ $B(MHz)$			Upper level			J A(mK) A(MHz) B(mK) B(MHz)		
45 ScI		5671.805 3d ² (³ F)4s 4F 9/2		$+9.5$	284.8029	-0.4	-11.9917	$3d^2(^3F)4p^4G$	11/2	$+1.5$	44.9689		
45 ScI		5686.826 3d ² (³ F)4s 4F 7/2		$+8.3$	248.8278	-0.3	-8.9938	$3d^2(^3F)4p$ 4G	7/2	$+4.9$	146.8983	$\overline{}$	
45 ScI	6210.676	$3d4s^2$ 2D	3/2	$+8.98$	269.2137		-0.88 -26.3817	3d4s(1D)4p 2D	3/2	-11.5	-344.7614		
45 ScII	5526.790	$3p^63d^2$ 1G	4.0	$\overline{}$	M 135.232	$\overline{}$	$M - 63.44$	$3p^63d4p$ 1F ^o	3.0	$\overline{}$	193.1	$\overline{}$	-65
$^{45}\rm{ScII}$	5552.224	$3p^64s^2$ 1S	0.0	$\overline{}$				3p ⁶ 3d4p 3P ^o	1.0	$\overline{}$	258.0	$\overline{}$	12.0
45 ScII	5657.896	$3p^63d^2$ 3P	2.0	$\overline{}$	M-27.732	$\overline{}$	M 22.13	$3p^6$ 3d4p $3P^o$	2.0	$\overline{}$	105.6	$\overline{}$	-21
45 ScII	5684.202	$3p^63d^23P$	2.0	\overline{a}	-27.2	$\overline{}$	26.0	$3p^6$ 3d4p $3P^o$	1.0	$\overline{}$	258.0	$\overline{}$	12.0
45 ScII	6245.637	$3p^63d^2$ 3P	2.0	$\overline{}$	$M - 27.732$	$\overline{}$	22.13	$3p^6$ 3d4p $3D^o$	3.0	$\overline{}$	101.8	$\overline{}$	24
45 ScII	6300.698	$3p^63d^2$ 3P	2.0	$\overline{}$	-27.2	$\overline{}$	26.0	$3p^6$ 3d4p $3D^o$	2.0	$\overline{}$	125.7	$\overline{}$	6.0
$^{45}\rm{ScII}$	6320.84	3p ⁶ 3d ² 3P	1.0	$\overline{}$	-108.1	$\overline{}$	-13.0	$3p^6$ 3d4p $3D^o$	1.0	$\overline{}$	307.0	$\overline{}$	1.0
45 ScII	6604.601	$3p^63d^2$ 1D	2.0	$\overline{}$	149.361	$\overline{}$	7.818	$3p^6$ 3d4p $1D^o$	2.0	$\overline{}$	215.7	$\overline{}$	18
51 VI		5703.5603d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁴ D3/2 7.558 ¹				2.075 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^{4}(5)D)4p y^{4}F$	5/2	$\overline{}$	216.0 ⁵	$\overline{}$	0.0^{5}
51 VI		6081.4403d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁴ D3/2 7.558 ¹			$\overline{}$	2.075 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^4(^5)D)4p z^4P$	3/2	$\overline{}$	-286.4^2	$\overline{}$	-6.0^2
51 VI		6090.2203d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁴ D7/2-160.172 ¹			$-$	15.256 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^{4}(5)D)4p z^{4}P^{?}$	5/2	$\overline{}$	-89.8^2	$\overline{}$	8.0 ²
51 VI		6119.5203d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁴ D5/2-143.367 ¹				1.067 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^4(^5)D)4p z^4P$	3/2	\equiv	-286.4^2	$\overline{}$	-6.0^{2}
51 VI		6199.1903d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁶ D7/2 382.368 ¹			$\overline{}$	2.220 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^3(^4F)4s4p(^3P^0)$ $z^6D9/2$		$\overline{}$	503.46 ⁴	$\overline{}$	3.3 ⁴
51 VI		6243.1003d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁶ D9/2 406.854 ¹			$\overline{}$	14.721 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^{3}(^{4}F)4s4p(^{3}P^{0})z^{6}D9/2$		\equiv	503.46 ⁴	$\overline{}$	3.3 ⁴
51 VI		6251.8203d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁶ D7/2 382.368 ¹			\overline{a}	2.220 ¹	$\overline{}$	$3d^{3}(^{4}F)4s4p(^{3}P^{0})z^{6}D7/2$		$\bar{ }$	514.35 ⁴	$\overline{}$	-1.24
51 VI		6274.6503d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁶ D3/2 405.605 ¹			$\overline{}$	-8.0601	$\overline{}$	$3d^{3}(^{4}F)4s4p(^{3}P^{0})z^{6}D1/2$		$\bar{ }$	939.944		0.0 ⁴
51 VI		6285.1603d ⁴ (5)D)4s a ⁶ D5/2 373.595 ¹			$\overline{}$	-2.5751	$\overline{}$	$3d^{3}(^{4}F)4s4p(^{3}P^{0})z^{6}D3/2$		$\overline{}$	594.694	—	-4.4^{4}
63 CuI		5105.537 4p 2P [case e] 1.5		6.5	194.865	-0.96	-28.78	4s2 2D [case b]	2.5	24.97	748.582	6.20	185.871
		5218.197 4p 2P [case e] 1.5		6.5	194.865	-0.96	-28.78	$4d 2D$ [-]	2.5	$0.0*$	$0.0*$	$0.0*$	$0.0*$
65 CuI		5105.537 4p 2P [case e] 1.5		6.96	208.66	-0.86	-25.78	4s2 2D [case b]	2.5	26.79	803.14	5.81	174.18
		5218.197 4p 2P [case e] 1.5		6.96	208.66	-0.86	-25.78	$4d 2D$ [-]	2.5	$0.0*$	$0.0*$	$0.0*$	$0.0*$

Notes. A and B constants from [Mansour et al.](#page-14-45) [\(1989\)](#page-14-45), [Villemoes et al.](#page-14-46) [\(1992\)](#page-14-46) for ScII and [Biehl](#page-13-31) [\(1976\)](#page-13-31) for ScI. For VI the A and B constants are from 1 UBDE, [Unkel et al.](#page-14-47) [\(1989\)](#page-14-47). 2 CPGC, [Childs et al.](#page-13-60) [\(1979\)](#page-13-60). 3 PBAG, [Palmeri et al.](#page-14-48) [\(1995\)](#page-14-48). 4 CBFG, [Cochrane et al.](#page-13-61) [\(1998\)](#page-13-61). 5 LGB, [Lefèbvre](#page-14-49) [et al.](#page-14-49) [\(2002\)](#page-14-49). B constants not available in the literature are assumed as null.

Table A.2. Central wavelengths from NIST or Kurúcz line lists and total oscillator strengths from line lists by Kurúcz, NIST, and VALD, literature, and adopted values.

Species	λ (Å)	χ_{ex} (eV)	gf_{Kurucz}	gf _{NIST}	gf _{VALD}	gfliterature	gf _{adopted}
$^{45}\rm{ScI}$	5671.805/828N	1.447908	$+0.640$	$+0.495$	$+0.495$		$+0.495$
45 ScI	5686.826/856	1.439588	$+0.530$	$+0.376$	$+0.376$		$+0.276$
45 ScI	6210.676/658	0.000000	-1.570	-1.53	-1.529		-1.53
45 ScII	5526.790/785	1.768298	$+0.13$	$+0.02$	$+0.024$		-0.28
45 ScII	5552.224/235	1.455221	-2.270		-2.119	-2.281	-2.27
45 ScII	5657.896/907	1.507058	-0.50	-0.60	-0.603		-0.60
45 ScII	5684.202/214	1.507508	-1.050	-1.07	-1.074	-1.071	-1.07
45 ScII	6245.637/641	1.507508	-0.98		-1.030	-1.041	-1.18
45 ScII	6300.698/746	1.507508	-1.840		-1.887	-1.951	-1.99
45 ScII	6320.851/843	1.500496	-1.770		-1.819	-1.921	-1.97
45 ScII	6604.601/578	1.357044	-1.48	-1.31	-1.309	-1.31 ¹	-1.41
51 VI	5703.560	1.050919		-0.211	-0.211	-0.21^{2}	-0.211
$^{51}\mathrm{VI}$	6081.440	1.050919		-0.578	-0.579	-0.61^2	-0.578
51 VI	6090.220	1.080616		-0.062	-0.062	-0.07^{2}	-0.162
51VI	6119.520	1.063602		-0.320	-0.320	-0.36^2	-0.47
51VI	6199.190	0.286572		-1.28	-1.300	-1.46^2	-1.48
51 VI	6243.100	0.300634		-0.98	-0.980	-0.94^2	-0.88
51 VI	6251.820	0.286572		-1.34	-1.340	-1.37^{2}	-1.44
51 VI	6274.650	0.266964		-1.67	-1.670	-1.70^2	-1.72
CuI	5105.537	1.389035	-1.516	-1.50	-1.542		-1.52
CuI	5218.197	3.816948	$+0.476$	$+0.26$	$+0.364$		$+0.0$

Notes. In Col. (7), literature oscillator strength values are from the following. References: 1 [Ramírez & Allende-Prieto](#page-14-22) [\(2011\)](#page-14-22); 2 [Lawler et al.](#page-14-50) [\(2014\)](#page-14-50).

Table A.3. Hyperfine structure for Cu I lines.

			5218.20 Å; χ = 3.82 eV					
			$\log gf(\text{total}) = +0.0$					
λ (Å) $\log gf$			λ (Å)	$\log gf$	Iso			
-2.8856	63		5218.195	-1.2041	63			
-2.9314	63		5218.197	-1.2499	63			
-2.5634	63		5218.197	-0.8819	63			
-3.8856	63		5218.201	-2.2041	63			
-2.8187	63		5218.201	-1.1372	63			
-2.3135	63		5218.203	-0.6320	63			
-4.0617	63		5218.206	-2.3802	63			
-2.9156	63		5218.206	-1.2341	63			
-2.1075	63		5218.206	0.0	63			
-3.3619	65		5218.194	-1.2041	65			
-3.4077	65		5218.196	-1.2499	65			
-3.0397	65		5218.196	-0.8819	65			
-4.3619	65		5218.201	-2.2041	65			
-3.2950	65		5218.201	-1.1372	65			
-2.7898	65		5218.201	-0.6320	65			
-4.5380	65		5218.206	-2.3802	65			
-3.3919	65		5218.206	-1.2341	65			
-2.5838	65		5218.206	-0.4260	65			
		5105.50 Å; χ = 1.39 eV $\log gf$ (total) = -1.520 iso						