

# Single and Double Cepheids in Binary Systems

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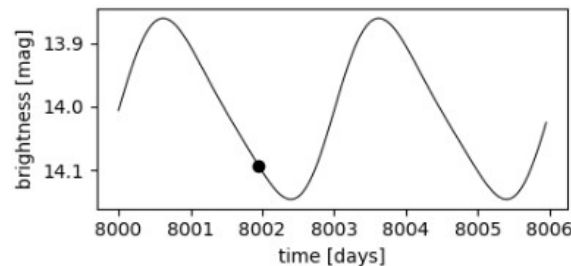
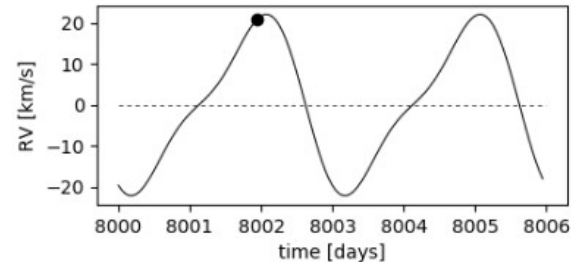
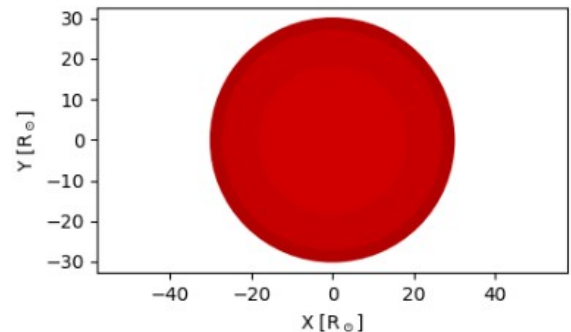


# Introduction

# Pulsating stars

## radial pulsations

- **Radially pulsating stars**
  - cyclic radius change
  - temperature change
  - => brightness change
- **Crossing the *instability strip***
  - internal conditions make star unstable against pulsations
  - period depends on physical parameters
- **Examples:**
  - classical Cepheids
  - type II Cepheids



# Short history of Cepheids

- **First observed in 1784**
  - XIX century: regular observations
- **Beginning of XX century**
  - period – luminosity relation (*Leavitt 1912*)
  - good distance indicators
- **Towards Hubble constant...**
  - spiral nebulae are distant galaxies
  - distant galaxies are red-shifted
  - Hubble diagram (velocity vs. distance)
  - first measurement of  $H_0$  (500 km/s/Mpc)
- **Base for  $H_0$  measurement in XXI c.**
  - 1.4% precision, 73 km/s/Mpc (*Riess+2022*)

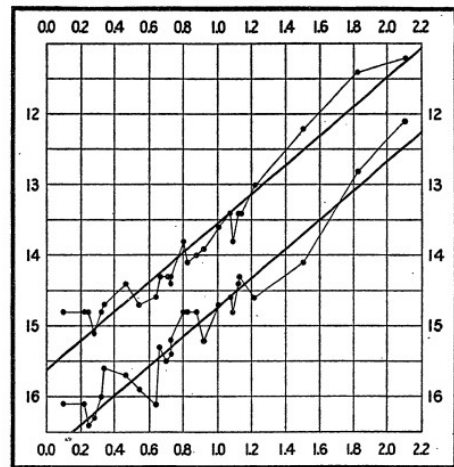


FIG. 2.

A RELATION BETWEEN DISTANCE AND RADIAL VELOCITY  
AMONG EXTRA-GALACTIC NEBULAE

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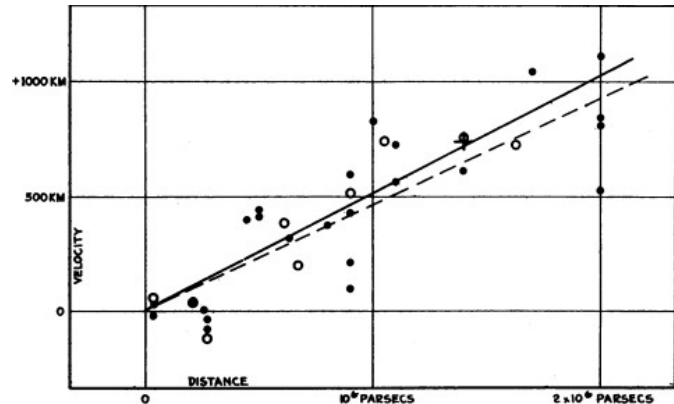
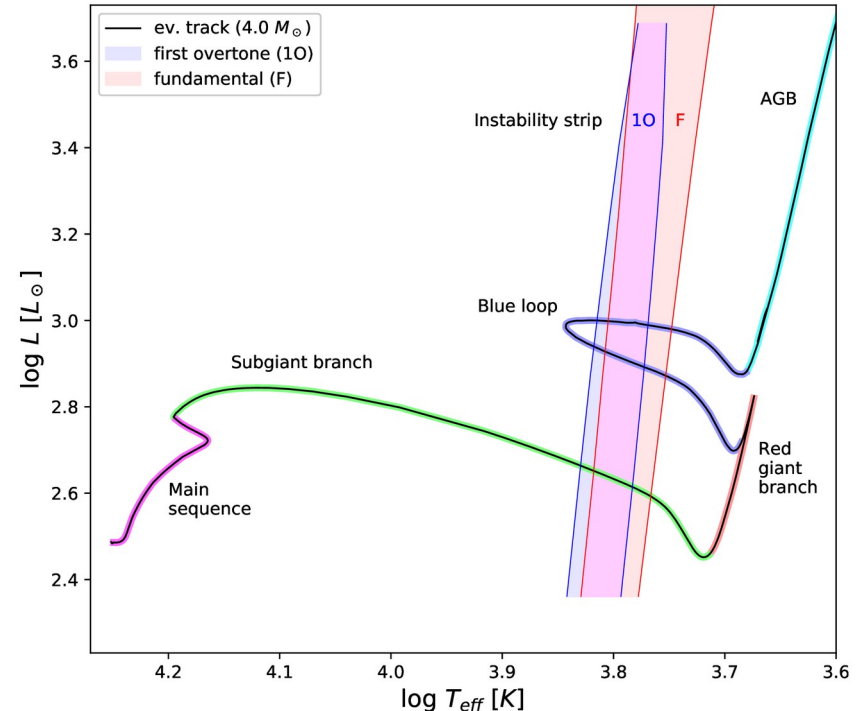


FIGURE 1

# Do we understand them?

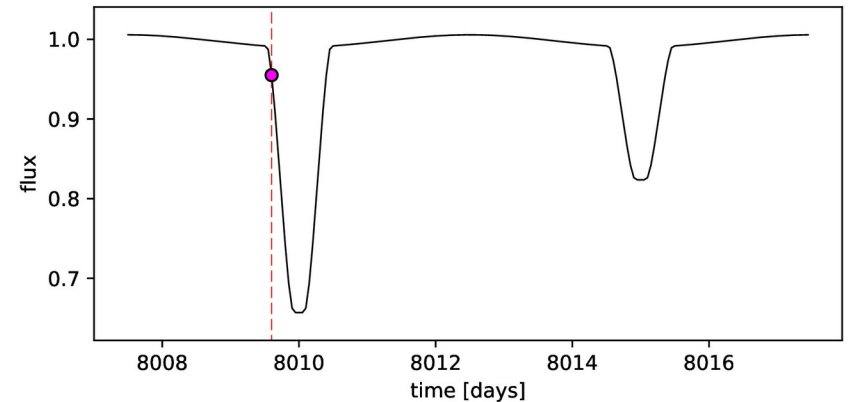
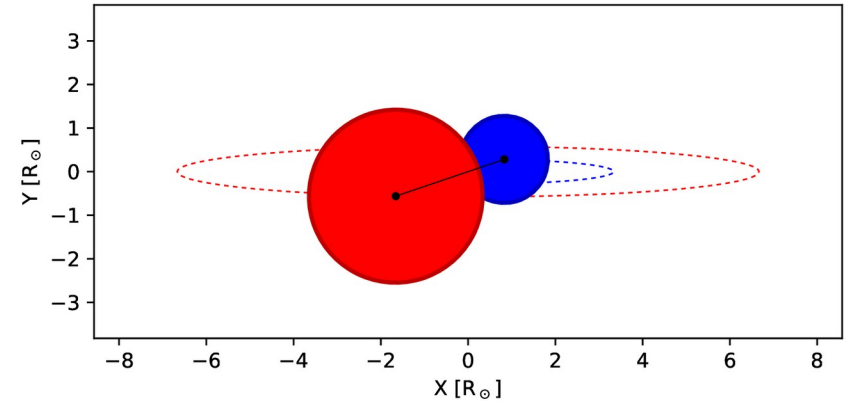
- **Theoretical studies:**
  - radially pulsating giants
  - instability strip ( $\sim 5500\text{-}7000\text{K}$ )
  - predictions (masses  $3\text{--}13 M_{\text{sun}}$ )
- **Problems:**
  - lack of measurements
  - physical properties
    - esp. mass and radius
  - binarity / multiplicity
  - p-factor (for B-W methods)
  - Hubble tension –  $5\sigma$ 
    - Planck CMB vs. Cepheids+SNe

Evolutionary track for a typical Cepheid mass



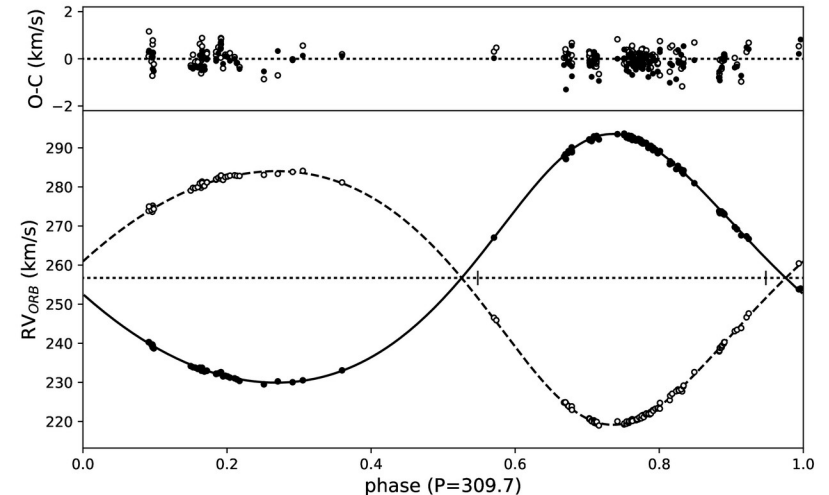
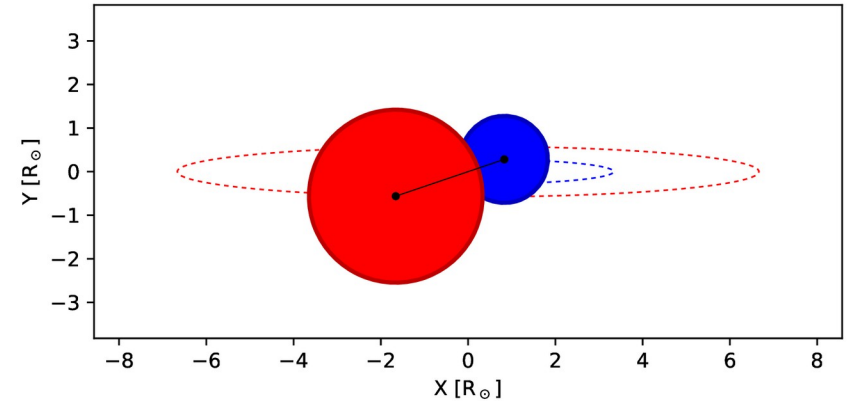
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  - Companion's light
  - Orbital movement
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methods and binary types

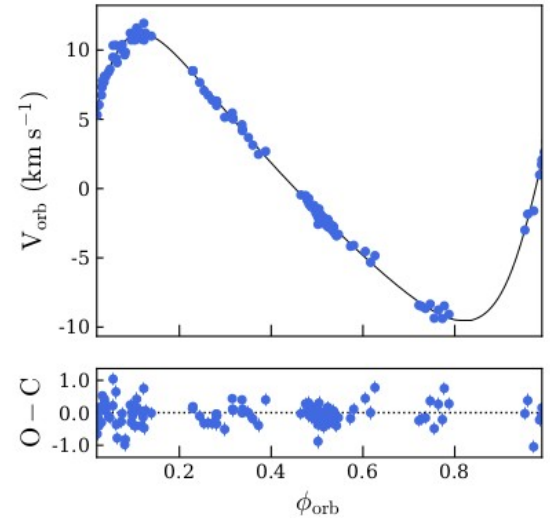


# Properties of Cepheids

## SB1

- Cepheids in single-lined binaries
- Limited information
  - Mass function (minimum mass of the companion)
  - Inclination not known unless eclipsing or astrometric orbit measured
- If companion's properties known (e.g. from SED in UV)
  - Cepheid mass estimate (low precision and accuracy)

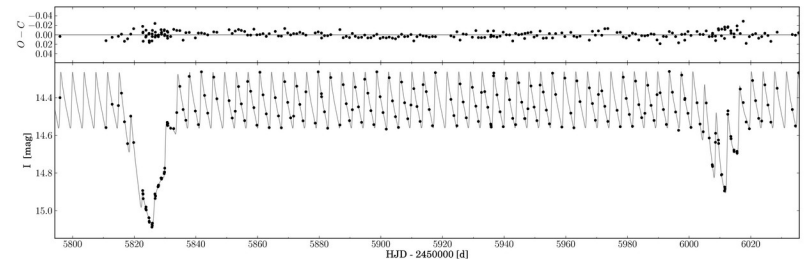
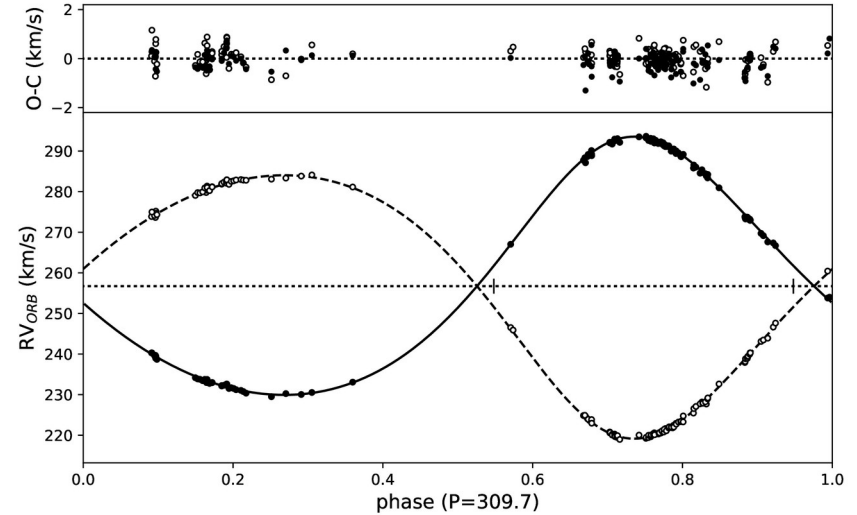
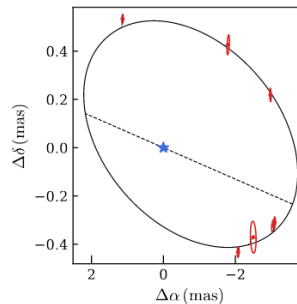
$$f(M_x, M_c) = \frac{(M_x \sin i)^3}{(M_x + M_c)^2}$$



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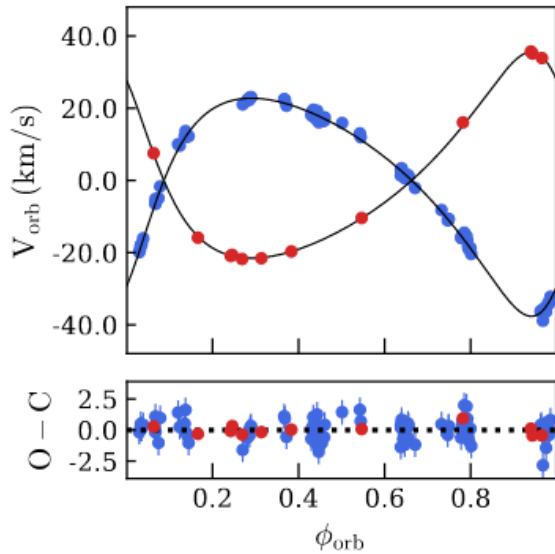
SB2

- Cepheids in double-lined binaries
- Mass ratio  $q = M_2 / M_1$
- Minimum masses  $M_1, M_2 \times \sin^3(i)$
- Minimum separation  $A_1, A_2 \times \sin(i)$
- More information if:
  - Astrometric orbit
  - Eclipsing

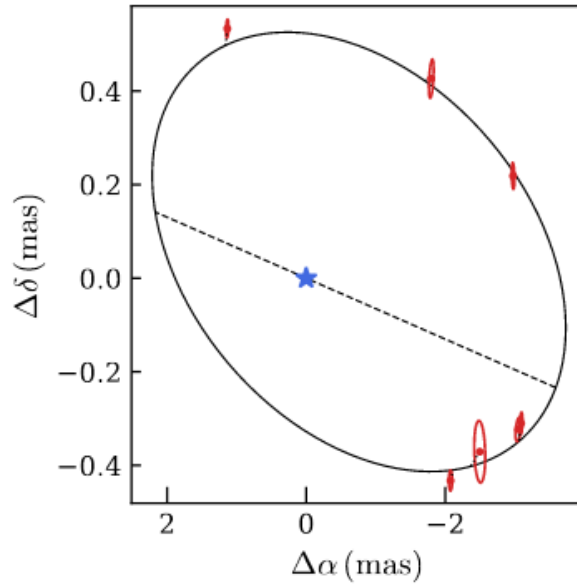


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SB2 + astrometric orbit



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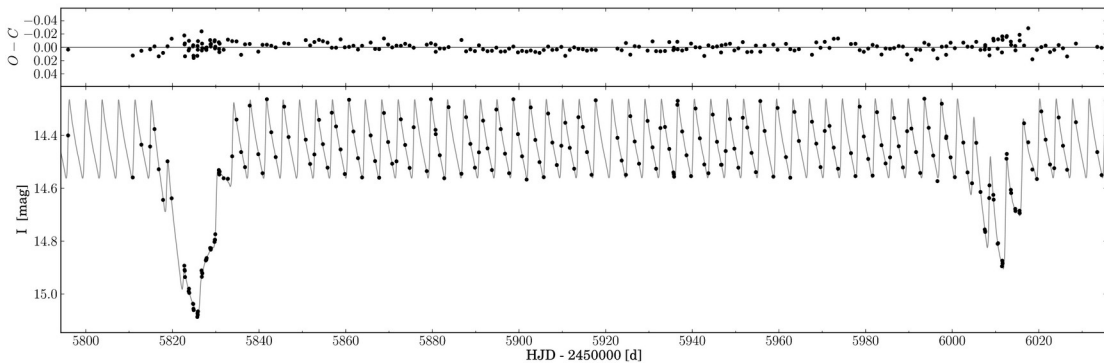
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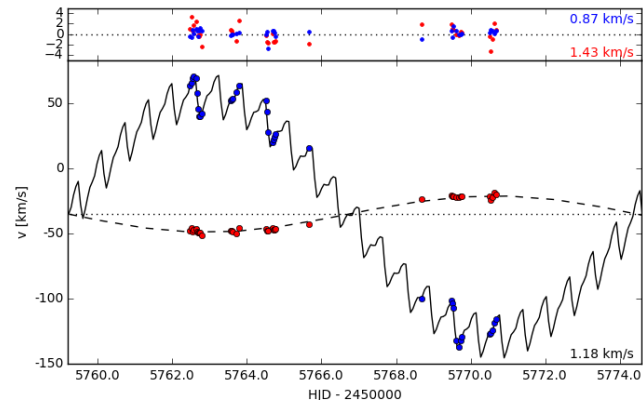
- Radii unknown (harder to compare with theoretical models)
- Eclipses not necessary

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SB2 + eclipsing



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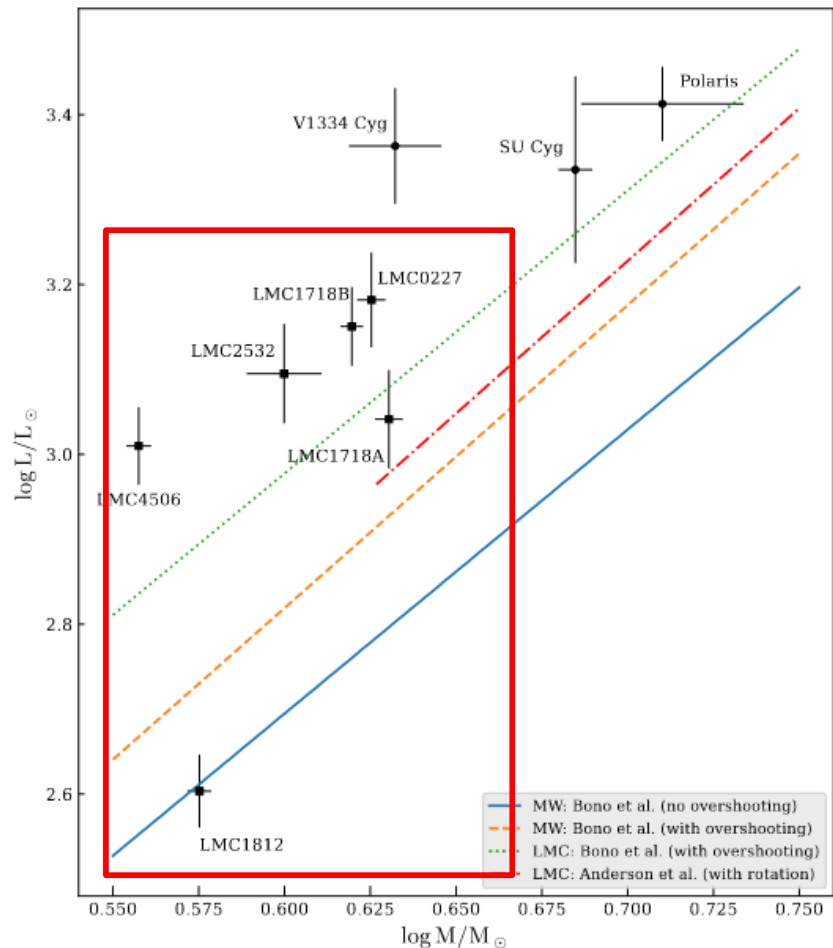


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M<sub>1</sub>, M<sub>2</sub>  
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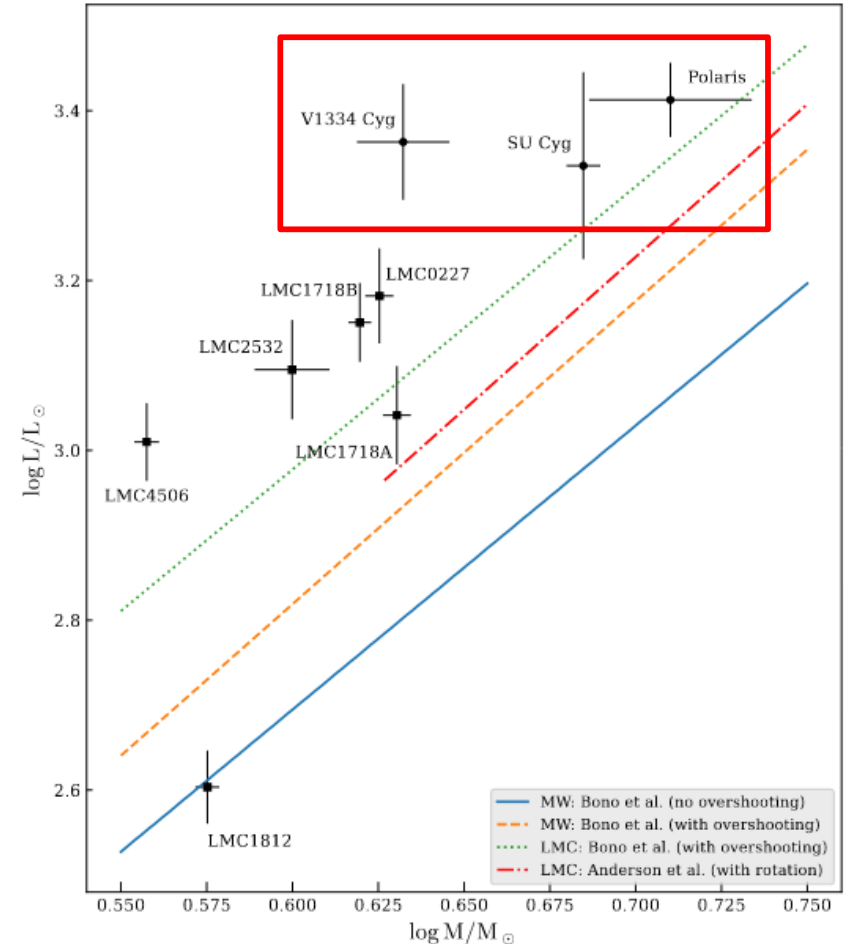
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# Binary Cepheids

ID	mode	period [d]	mass [M $\odot$ ]	radius [R $\odot$ ]	T <sub>eff</sub> [K]	p-factor	References
<i>OGLE-LMC-CEP-4506</i>	<i>F</i>	2.987846	3.61 ± 0.03	28.5 ± 0.2	6120 ± 160	1.35 ± 0.09	<i>Pilecki+2018</i> <i>Gieren+2015</i>
<i>OGLE-LMC-CEP-2532</i>	<i>1O</i>	2.035349	3.98 ± 0.10	29.2 ± 1.4	6350 ± 150	-	<i>Pilecki+2015</i> <i>Pilecki+2018</i>
<i>OGLE-LMC-CEP-1812</i>	<i>F</i>	1.312903	3.76 ± 0.03	17.85 ± 0.13	6120 ± 150	1.26 ± 0.08	<i>Pilecki+2018</i>
<i>OGLE-LMC-CEP-1718B</i>	<i>1O</i>	2.480917	4.22 ± 0.04	33.1 ± 1.3	6270 ± 160	-	<i>Pilecki+2018</i> <i>Gieren+2014</i>
<i>OGLE-LMC-CEP-1718A</i>	<i>1O</i>	1.963663	4.27 ± 0.04	27.8 ± 1.3	6310 ± 150	-	<i>Pilecki+2018</i> <i>Gieren+2014</i>
<i>OGLE-LMC-CEP-0227</i>	<i>F</i>	3.797086	4.165 ± 0.032	34.87 ± 0.12	6000 ± 160	1.21 ± 0.05	<i>Pilecki+2013</i> <i>Pilecki+2018</i>
<i>V350 Sgr</i>	<i>F</i>	5.1542	5.2 ± 0.3	-	-	-	<i>Evans+2018</i>
<i>V1334 Cygni</i>	<i>1O</i>	3.33242	4.29 ± 0.13	-	-	1.30 ± 0.05	<i>Gallene+2018</i>
<i>U Aql</i>	<i>F</i>	7.02314	5.0 ± 0.6	-	-	-	<i>Gallenne+2019</i>
<i>S Mus</i>	<i>F</i>	9.66	4.6 ± 1.0 (6.0 ± 0.4)	-	-	-	<i>Gallenne+2019</i> <i>Evans+2006</i>
<i>RS Pup</i>	<i>F</i>	41.43814	-	191	5060	1.25 ± 0.06	<i>Kervella+2018</i>
<i>Polaris</i>	<i>1O</i>	3.969251	5.13 ± 0.28 (3.5 ± 0.8)	-	-	-	<i>Evans+2024</i> <i>Evans+2008</i>
<i>AW Per</i>	<i>F</i>	6.463635	6.79 ± 0.85	-	-	-	<i>Evans+2024</i>



# **MW & eclipsing LMC Cepheids**

summary



# MW Cepheids - binarity

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BINARIES AMONG GALACTIC CLASSICAL CEPHEIDS - MAIN TABLE

Cepheid	log P	<V>	Comp.	Dupl.	Remark	References
				status		
<a href="#">U_Aql</a>	0.847	6.5	B9.8V	<a href="#">O</a>	triple, ADS 12503	<a href="#">[Ab59]</a> <a href="#">[BP85]</a> <a href="#">[Ev92d]</a> <a href="#">[Ev95]</a> <a href="#">[ECRKD05]</a> <a href="#">[GKBMPGMSEABRK19]</a> <a href="#">[L182]</a> <a href="#">[Ma77]</a> <a href="#">[POP81]</a> <a href="#">[WELHBSM87]</a>
<a href="#">FF_Aql</a>	0.650	5.4	A9-F3V	<a href="#">O</a>	triple, ADS 11884	<a href="#">[BMFBHPMBF07]</a> <a href="#">[EWST90]</a> <a href="#">[GKBMPGMSEABRK19]</a> <a href="#">[G08]</a> <a href="#">[GRS96]</a> <a href="#">[GSBRS95]</a> <a href="#">[POP81]</a> <a href="#">[RGS97]</a> <a href="#">[UE93]</a>
<a href="#">FN_Aql</a>	0.977	8.4	-	B	-	<a href="#">[De77]</a> <a href="#">[Sz88]</a> <a href="#">[Us90]</a> <a href="#">[SzCsKCsDSzSBK]M14]</a>
<a href="#">KL_Aql</a>	0.786	10.2	-	B	-	<a href="#">[Pe78]</a> <a href="#">[Sz91]</a>
<a href="#">V496_Aql</a>	0.833	7.8	A1-A2	<a href="#">O</a>	-	<a href="#">[Ev92a]</a> <a href="#">[G08]</a> <a href="#">[Sz89]</a>
<a href="#">V916_Aql</a>	1.128	10.8	-	B	-	<a href="#">[GSR96]</a>
<a href="#">V1344_Aql</a>	0.874	7.8	-	B	-	<a href="#">[SzCsKCsDSzSBK]M14]</a>
<a href="#">Eta_Aql</a>	0.856	3.9	B9.8V	B	-	<a href="#">[BP85]</a> <a href="#">[Ev91]</a>
<a href="#">V340_Ara</a>	1.318	10.3	-	B	-	<a href="#">[SB03b]</a>
<a href="#">RT_Aur</a>	0.572	5.4	-	B:	-	<a href="#">[Tetal07]</a>
<a href="#">RX_Aur</a>	1.065	7.7	-	B	-	<a href="#">[GSR96]</a> <a href="#">[MF80]</a> <a href="#">[Sz88]</a>
<a href="#">YZ_Aur</a>	1.260	10.4	-	B	-	<a href="#">[Ma77]</a> <a href="#">[MF80]</a> <a href="#">[SP98]</a>
<a href="#">AN_Aur</a>	1.012	10.5	-	B	-	<a href="#">[Ma77]</a> <a href="#">[Sz91]</a>
<a href="#">AS_Aur</a>	0.502	11.9	-	B	-	<a href="#">[SP98]</a>
<a href="#">RW_Cam</a>	1.215	8.7	-	B	-	<a href="#">[BP85]</a> <a href="#">[Ev94]</a> <a href="#">[Hip97]</a> <a href="#">[Ma77]</a>
<a href="#">RX_Cam</a>	0.898	7.7	-	<a href="#">O</a>	-	<a href="#">[Ev95]</a> <a href="#">[GRS96]</a> <a href="#">[Im96]</a> <a href="#">[RGS97]</a> <a href="#">[Sz92a]</a>
<a href="#">RY_CMa</a>	0.670	8.1	-	B	-	<a href="#">[Vi91]</a>
<a href="#">RZ_CMa</a>	0.629	9.7	-	b	-	<a href="#">[Ma77]</a> <a href="#">[MF80]</a> <a href="#">[Pe78]</a>
<a href="#">SS_CMa</a>	1.092	9.9	-	B	-	<a href="#">[ACRMHSPBEMPR16]</a> <a href="#">[EU94]</a> <a href="#">[Sz96]</a>

- 171 Cepheids in the table

# MW Cepheids - orbital elements

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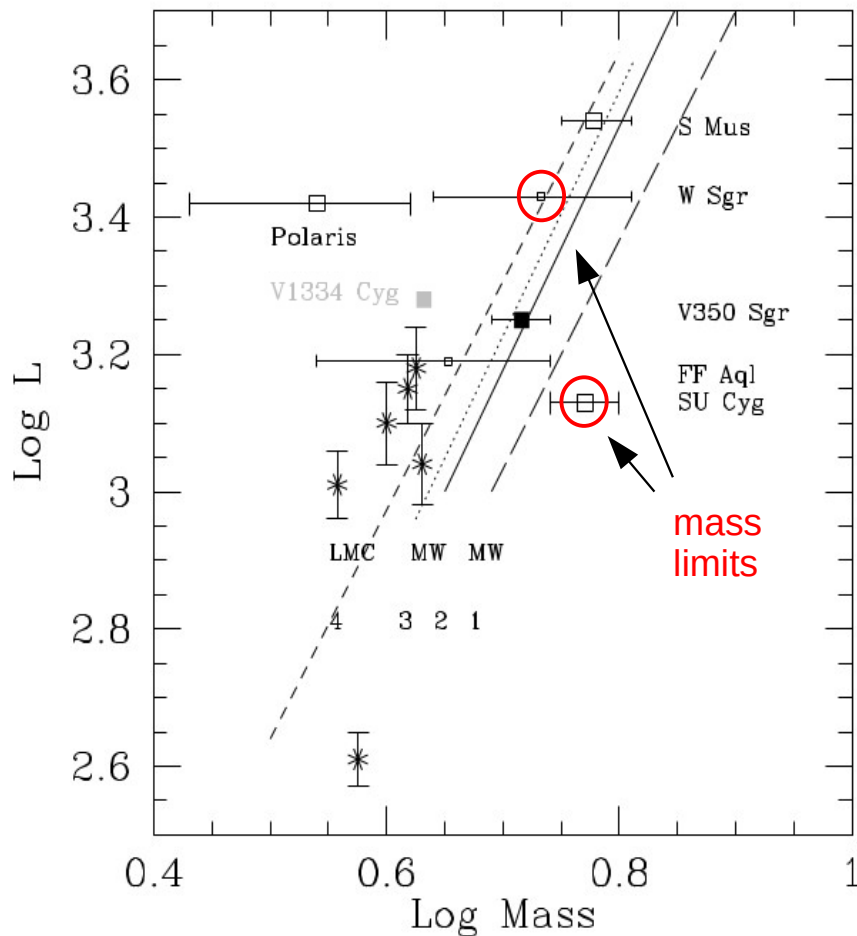
KNOWN ORBITAL ELEMENTS FOR BINARY CEPHEIDS

Cepheid	v_gamma [km/s]	K [km/s]	e	omega [degree]	T_0 JD	P_orb [day]	f(M) M_Sun	a sin i [million km]	Reference
U_Aql	1.31	8.41	0.193	167.1	2457575.3	1831.4	M_1=6.2+/-0.8	a=888.6+/-32.9	
	0.06	0.04	0.005	1.9	8.4	6.5		i=115.4+/-0.7 deg	<a href="#">[GKBMPGMSEABRK19]</a>
U_Aql	1.15	7.81	0.165	190.5	2442754	1856.4	0.0881		
	0.15	0.22	0.027	7.7	38	4.3	0.0074	5.5	<a href="#">[WELHBSM87]</a>
FF_Aql	-16.67	4.824	0.061	316.0	24458297.0	1430.3	0.0166	94.7	
	0.04	0.008	0.007	4.0	13.5	2.6	0.001	0.3	<a href="#">[GKBMPGMSEABRK19]</a>
FF_Aql		4.91	0.027	319	2445437	1432.4			
		0.07	0.041	45	178	1.1			<a href="#">[G08]</a>
FF_Aql			0.09	327	2453110.9	1434		a=679.2+/-20.9	
			0.01	4	14.6	1		i=33+/-5 deg	<a href="#">[BMFBHPMBF07]</a>
FF_Aql	-15.8	5.1	0.0474	292	2445321	1434.2	0.02	100	
	0.14	0.12	0.05	45	173	1.0	0.001	3	<a href="#">[RGS97]</a>
FF_Aql	-15.92	5.07	0.09	2.2	2445576.0	1429.72	0.0191	99.2	
	0.09	0.11	0.03	15.6	62.7	1.09	0.0013	2.2	<a href="#">[EWST90]</a>
FF_Aql	-17.36	3.46	0.014	6.3	2425610.7	1435	0.0062	68.3	<a href="#">[Ab59]</a>
FF_Aql	-16	5.0	0.09	327	2445381	1433	0.018		<a href="#">[GSBRS95]</a>
V496_Aql		3.0	0	0	2445606	1331			
					25	6.5			<a href="#">[G08]</a>

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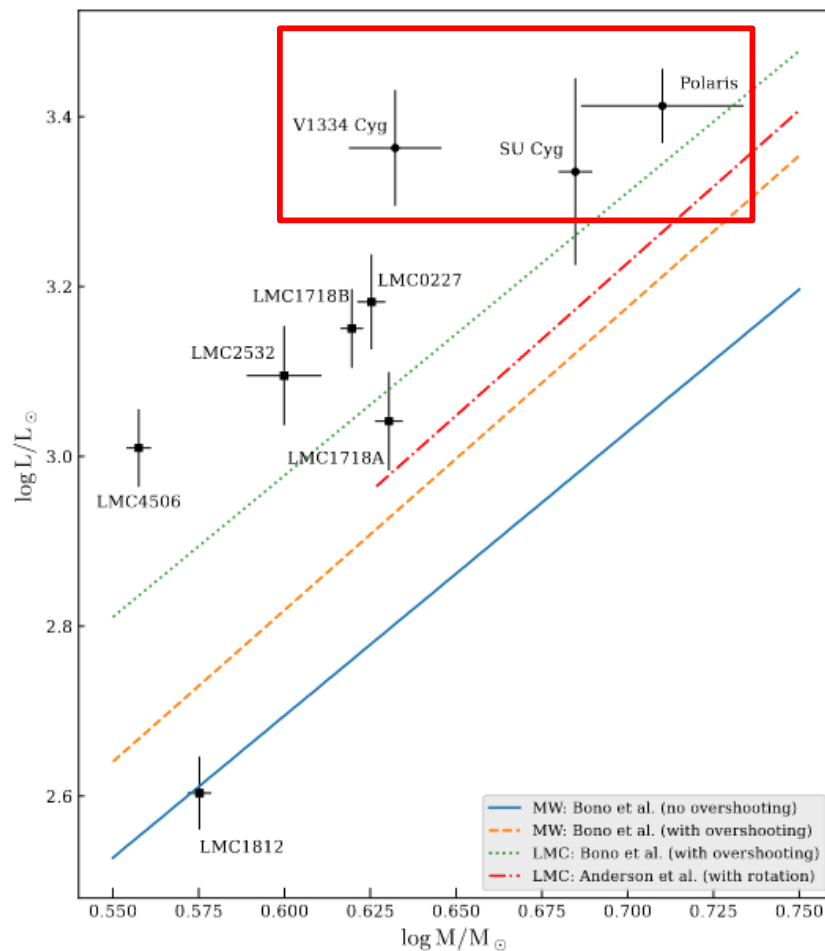
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Evans+2018

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a breakthrough - first dynamical mass measurement

- OGLE-LMC-CEP-0227  
(Pietrzyński+2010)
- FU classical Cepheid,  $P_{\text{puls}} = 3.797\text{d}$
- Orbital period: 309.7 d

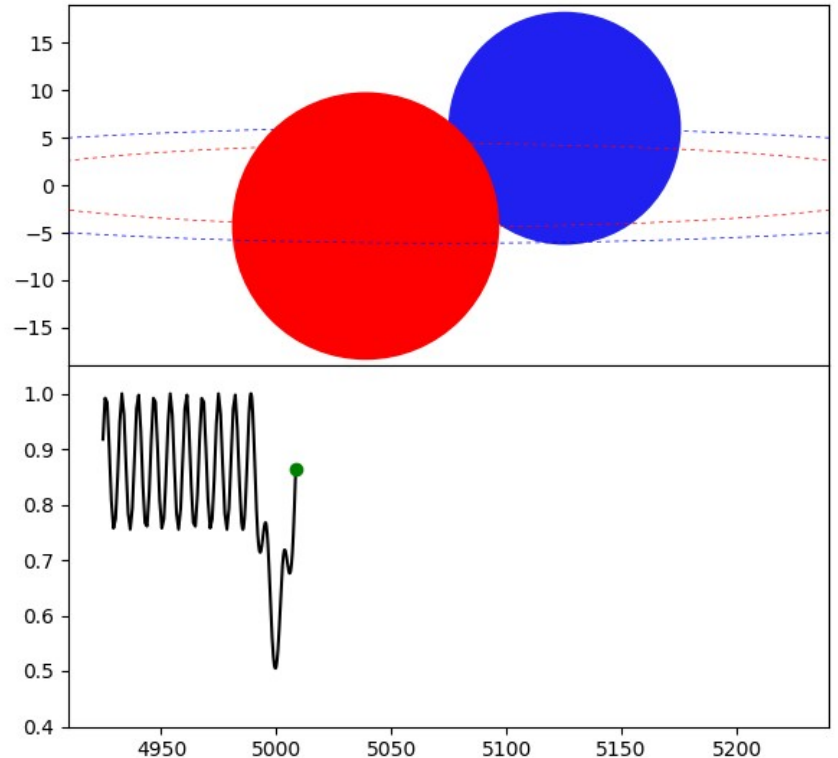
$$M_{\text{cep}} = 4.15(3) M_{\odot}$$

$$R_{\text{cep}} = 34.9(3) R_{\odot}$$

$$M_2 = 4.06(4) M_{\odot}$$

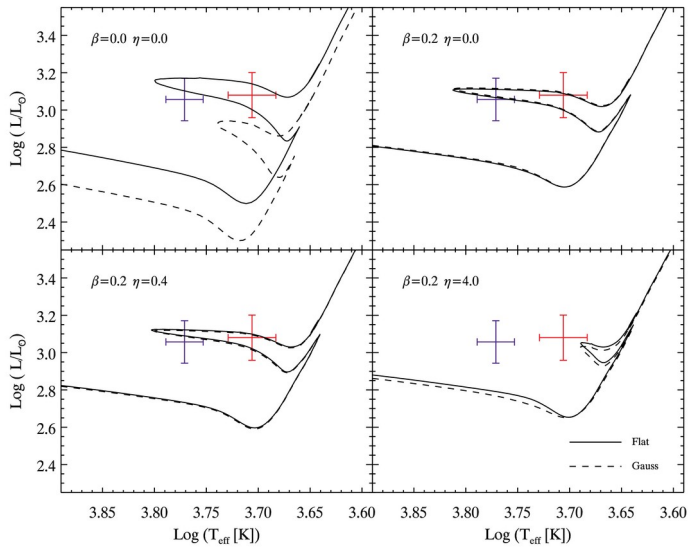
$$R_2 = 44.9(3) R_{\odot}$$

Dynamical	Pulsational	Evolutionary
$4.15 \pm 0.03$	$4.0 \pm 0.3$	4.5 - 5

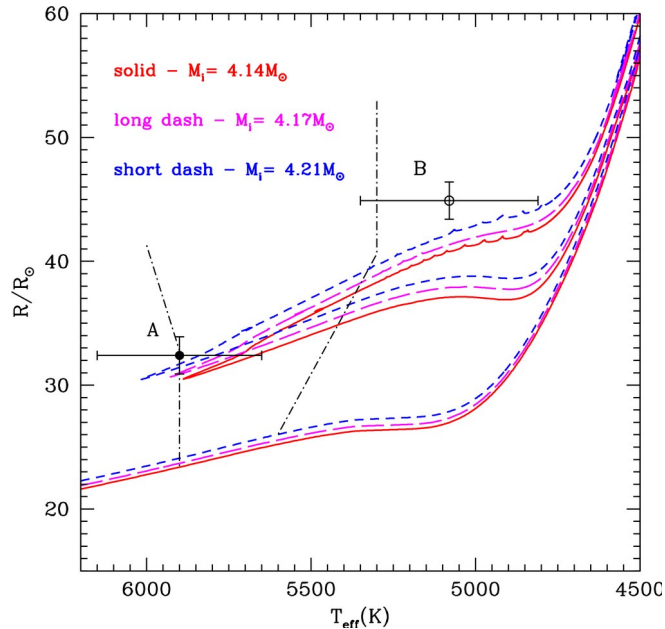


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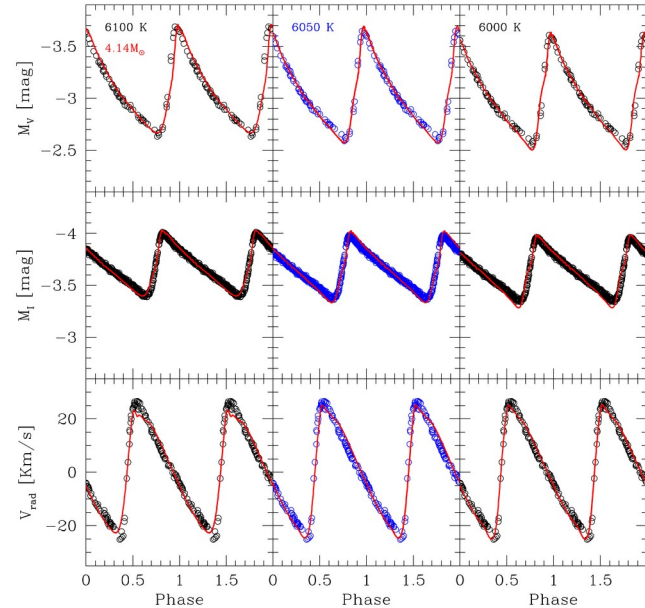
first dynamical mass (OGLE-LMC-CEP-0227)



Prada Moroni+2012



Cassisi & Salaris 2011



Marconi+2013

- Comparison with theoretical models

# Eclipsing Cepheids in the LMC

accurate dynamical masses

- 6 Cepheids in 5 eclipsing SB2 systems
- 3 systems with almost perfect conditions for measurements
  - Masses precise  $\geq 0.8\%$ , radii to  $\geq 0.3\%$
- 2 systems with only one eclipse per cycle

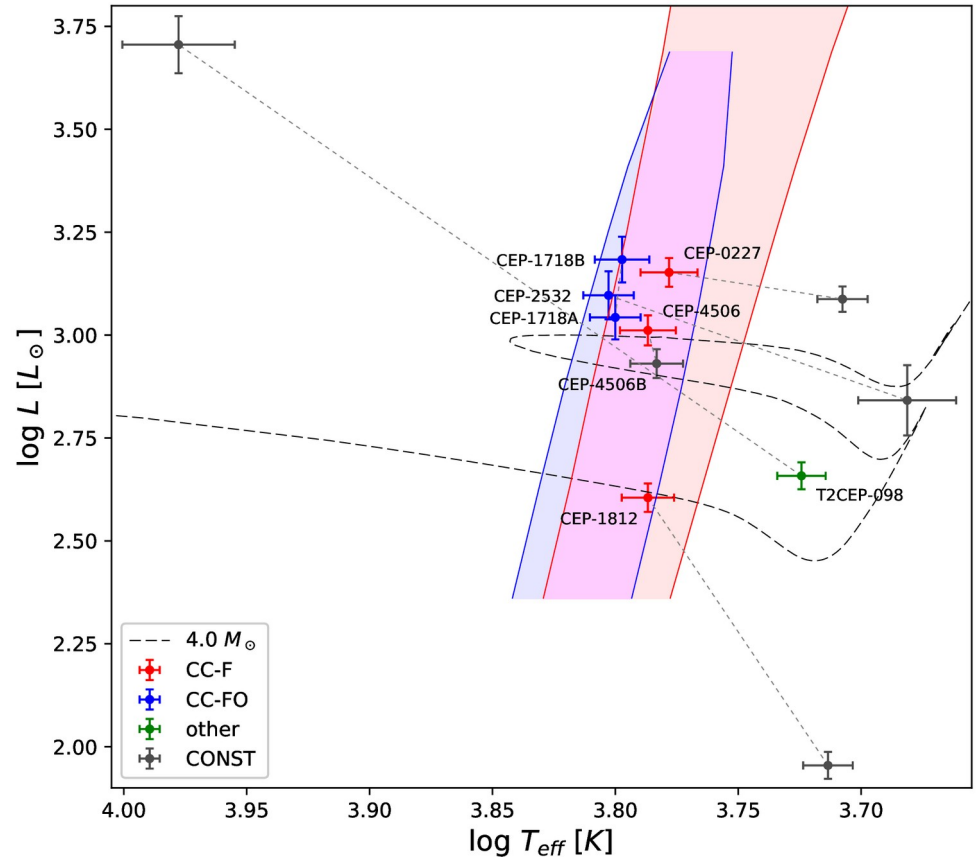
<b>ID</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>PER</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Radius</b>	<b>P-factor</b>	<b>Porb</b>	<b>Ecc.</b>
CEP-0227	F	3.797086	4.15 (3)	34.9 (1)	1.21 (3)	309.669	0.1659
CEP-4506	F	2.987846	3.61 (3)	28.5 (2)	1.35 (9)	1550.354	0.6116
CEP-2532*	F0	2.035349	3.98 (10)	29.2 (14)	---	800.419	0.3075
CEP-1718B*	F0	2.480917	4.22 (4)	33.1 (13)	---	412.807	0.276
CEP-1718A*	F0	1.963663	4.27 (4)	27.8 (12)	---	412.807	0.276
CEP-1812	F	1.312903	3.76 (6)	17.85 (13)	1.26 (8)	551.797	0.129

\* one eclipse per cycle

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other results

- First direct p-factor determination
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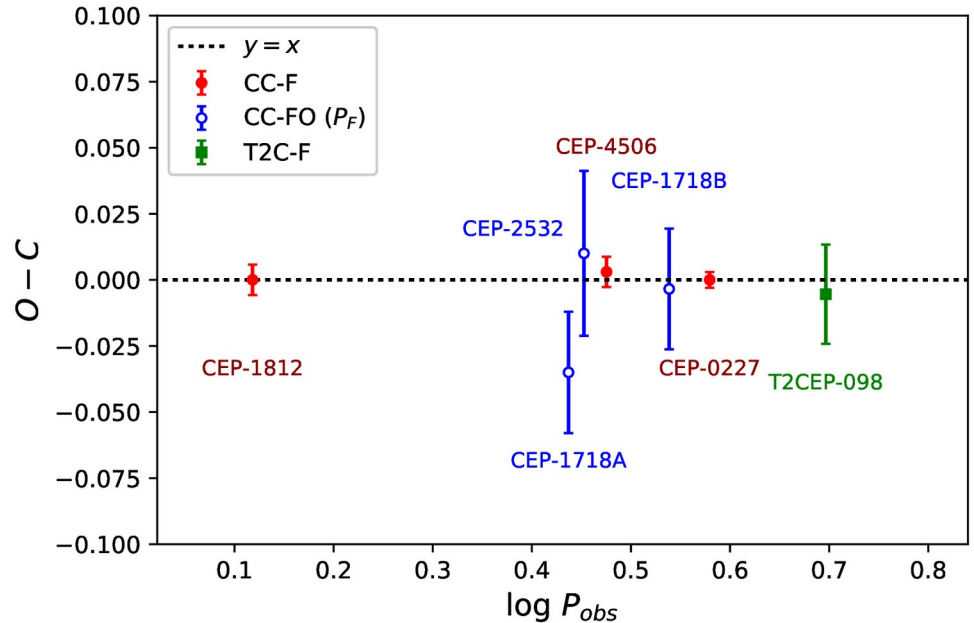
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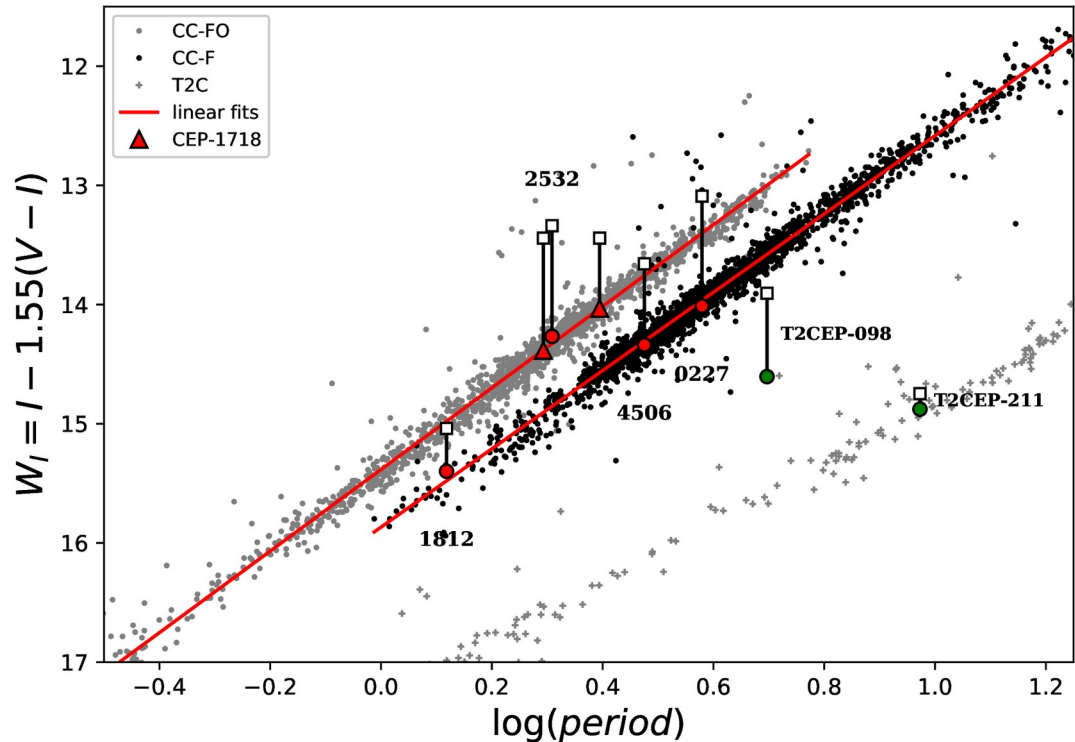
$$\log P_{MR} = -1.56 (4) - 0.80 (4) \log M + 1.70 (3) \log R$$

**And not  $P \sim M^{-0.5} * R^{1.5}$   
(period-density relation)**

# Type II Cepheids

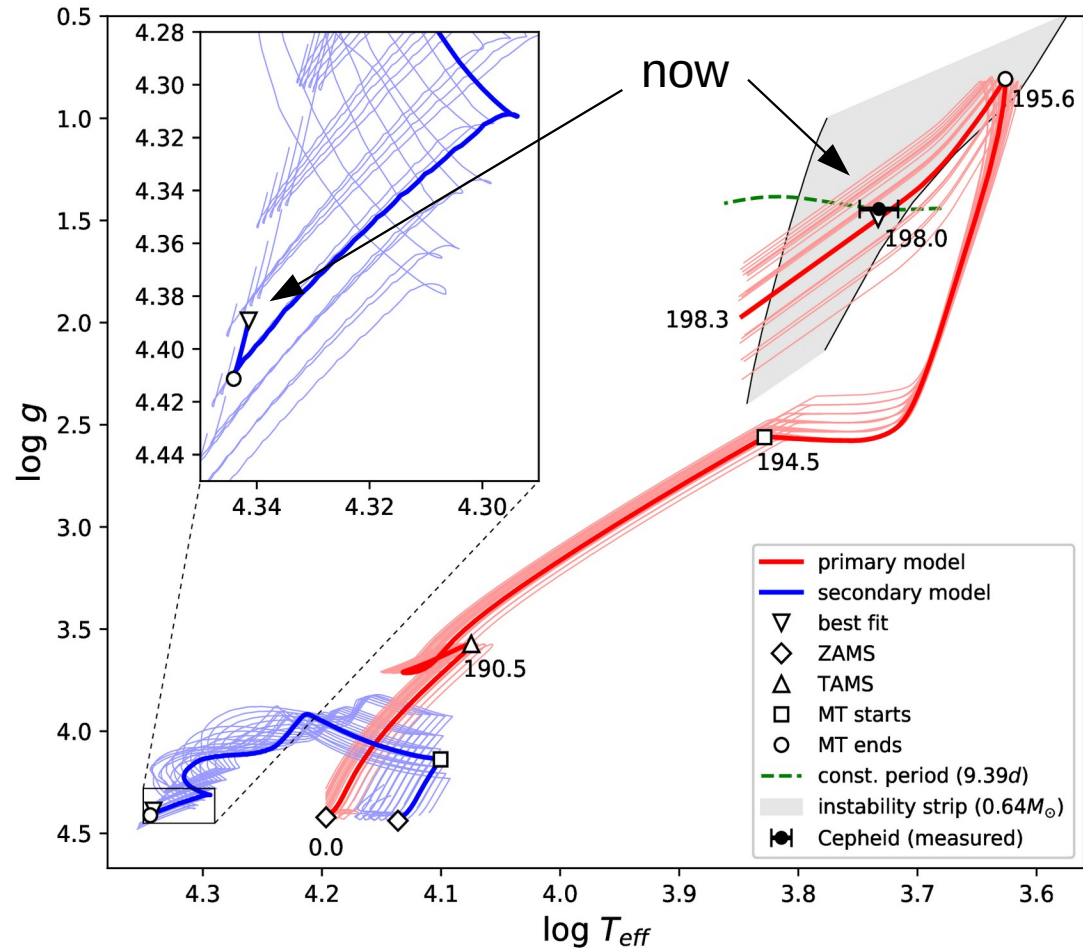
in binary systems

- First mass measurements for pW Vir stars
  - T2CEP-098  $1.5 M_{\odot}$
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- Origin of pW stars
- Disks around companions



# Type II Cepheids in binary systems

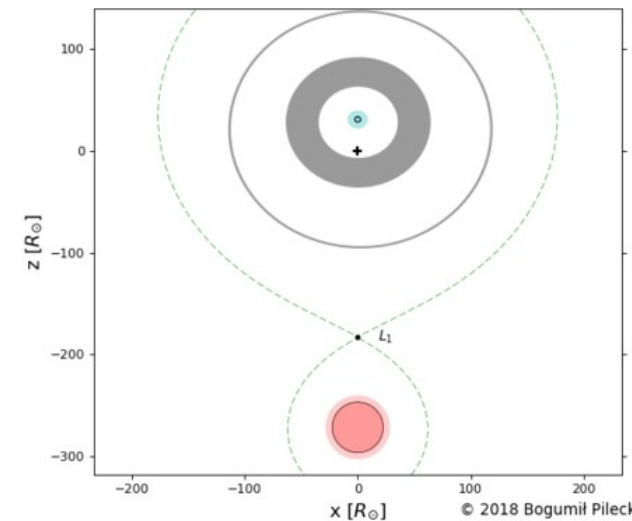
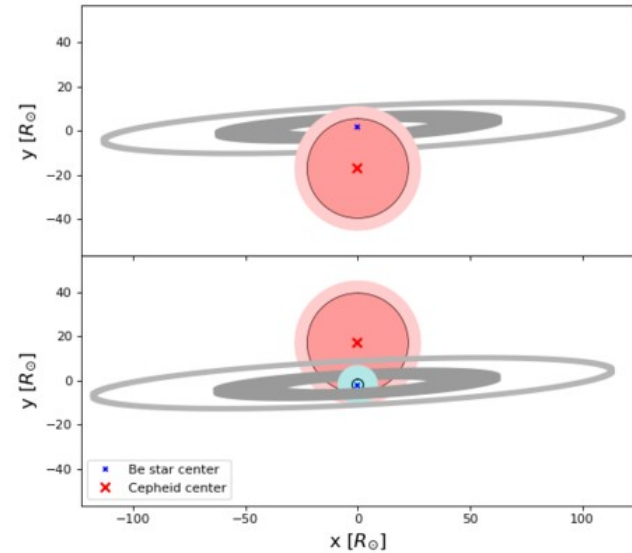
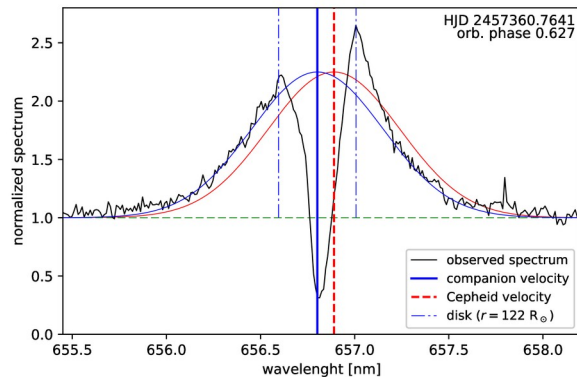
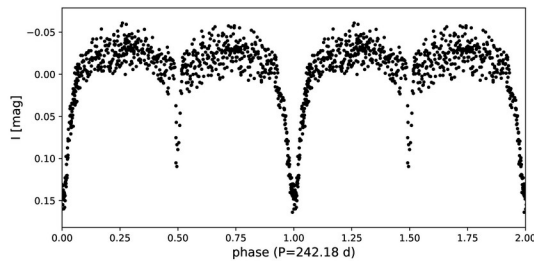
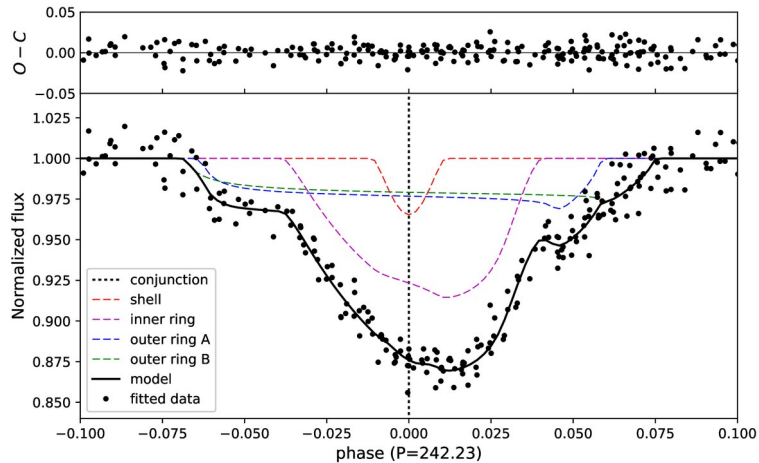
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- Origin of pW stars
  - From binary evolution
  - Young objects
- Disks around companions



Relatively young objects (not population II) !

# Type II Cepheids

## in binary systems



- Disks around companions
- Complex structure



## Cepheids with Giant Companions. I. Revealing a Numerous Population of Double-lined Binary Cepheids\*†

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### Abstract

Masses of classical Cepheids of 3–11  $M_{\odot}$  are predicted by theory but those measured clump between 3.6–5  $M_{\odot}$ . As a result, their mass–luminosity relation is poorly constrained, impeding our understanding of basic stellar physics and the Leavitt Law. All Cepheid masses come from the analysis of 11 binary systems, including only five that are double lined and well suited for accurate dynamical mass determination. We present a project to analyze a new, numerous group of Cepheids in double-lined binary (SB2) systems to provide mass determinations in a wide mass interval and study their evolution. We analyze a sample of 41 candidate binary LMC Cepheids spread along the  $P$ – $L$  relation, which are likely accompanied by luminous red giants, and present indirect and direct indicators of their binarity. In a spectroscopic study of a subsample of 18 brightest candidates, for 16 we detected lines of two components in the spectra, already quadrupling the number of Cepheids in SB2 systems. Observations of the whole sample may thus lead to quadrupling all the Cepheid mass estimates available now. For the majority of our candidates, erratic intrinsic period changes dominate over the light-travel-time effect due to binarity. However, the latter may explain the periodic phase modulation for four Cepheids. Our project paves the way for future accurate dynamical mass determinations of Cepheids in the LMC, Milky Way, and other galaxies, which will potentially increase the number of known Cepheid masses even 10-fold, hugely improving our knowledge about these important stars.

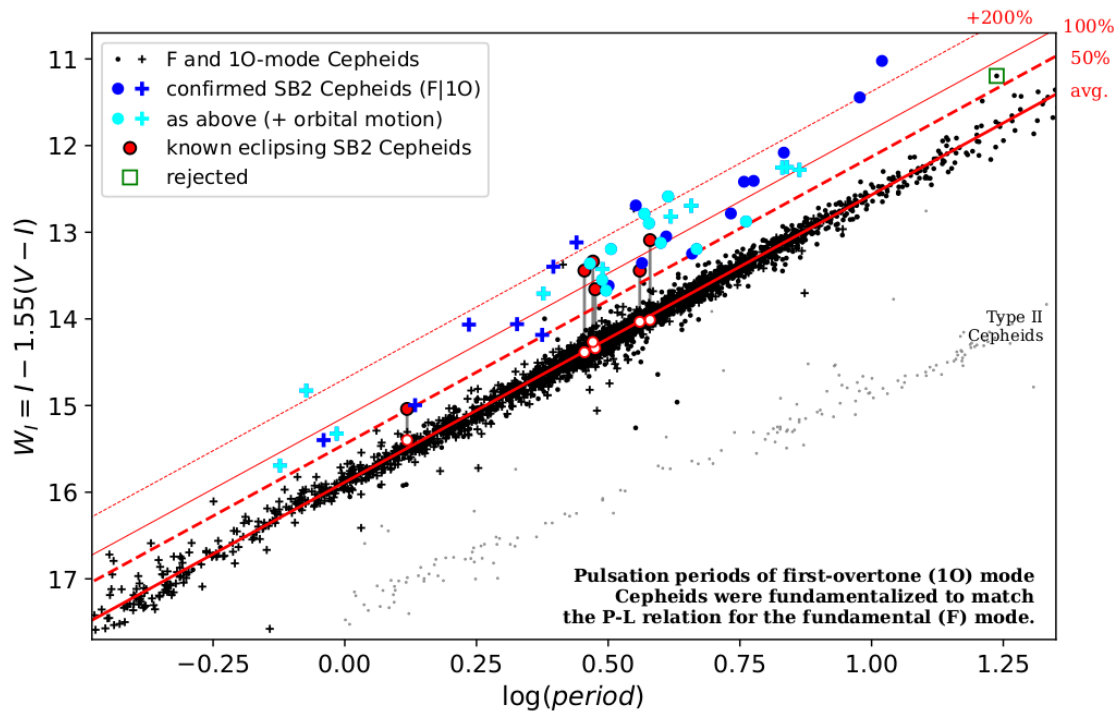
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# Cepheids with giant companions

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## the project and current status

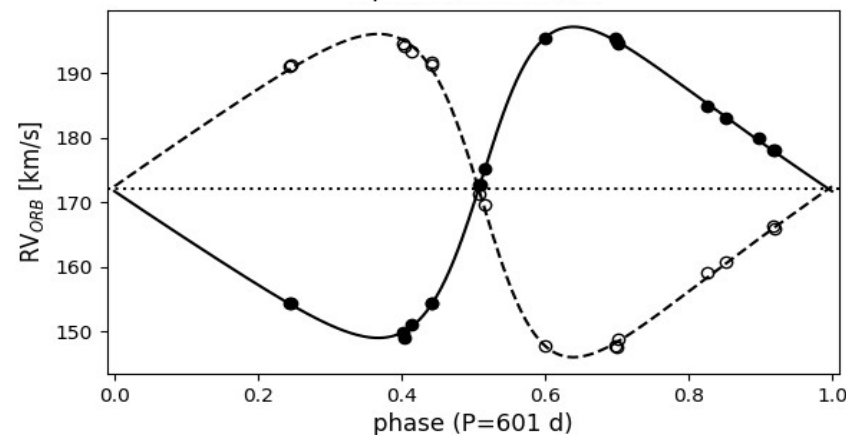
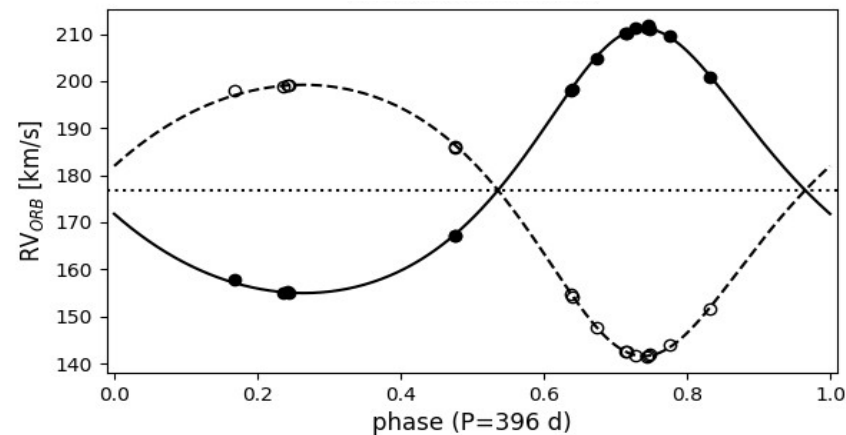
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- Observations 2021-2024
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  - 37 with orbital motion (final proof)
  - 24 with preliminary orbital solutions ( $P_{\text{orb}}$ ,  $M \sin^3(i)$ ,  $q = M_2 / M_1$ , ...)



# Cepheids with giant companions

## example orbital RV curves

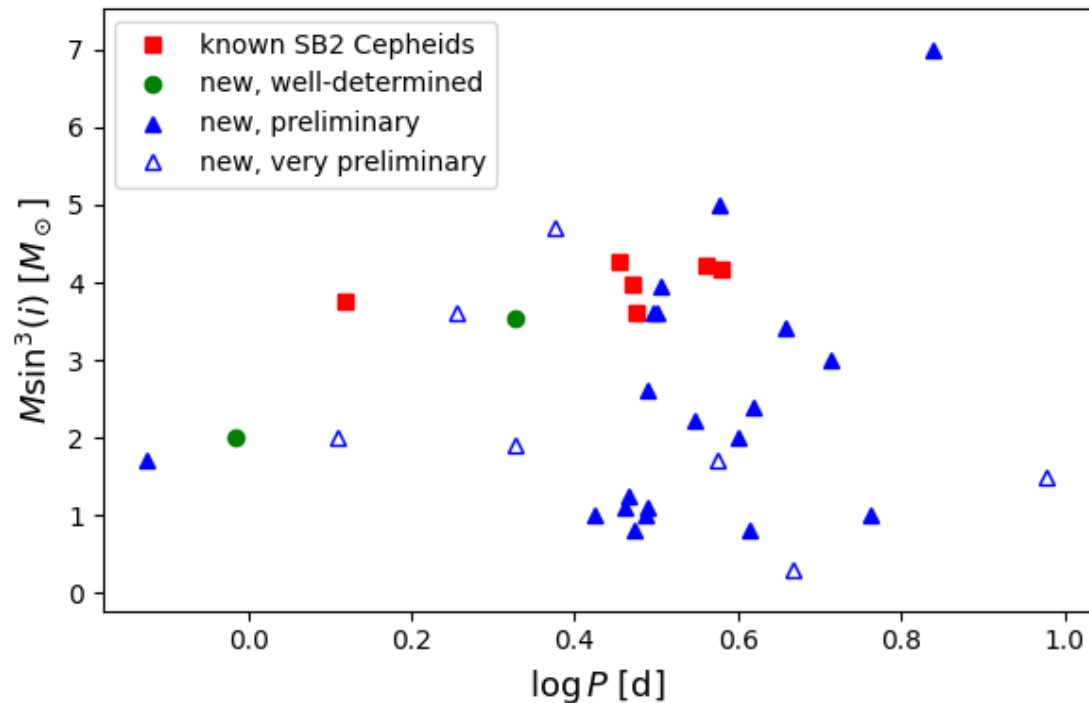
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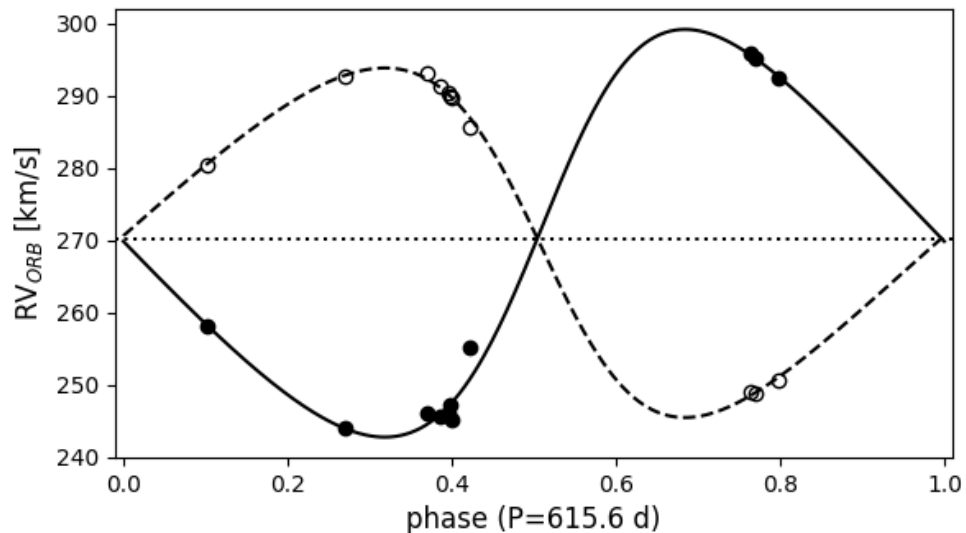




# Cepheids with giant companions

## merger-origin Cepheids

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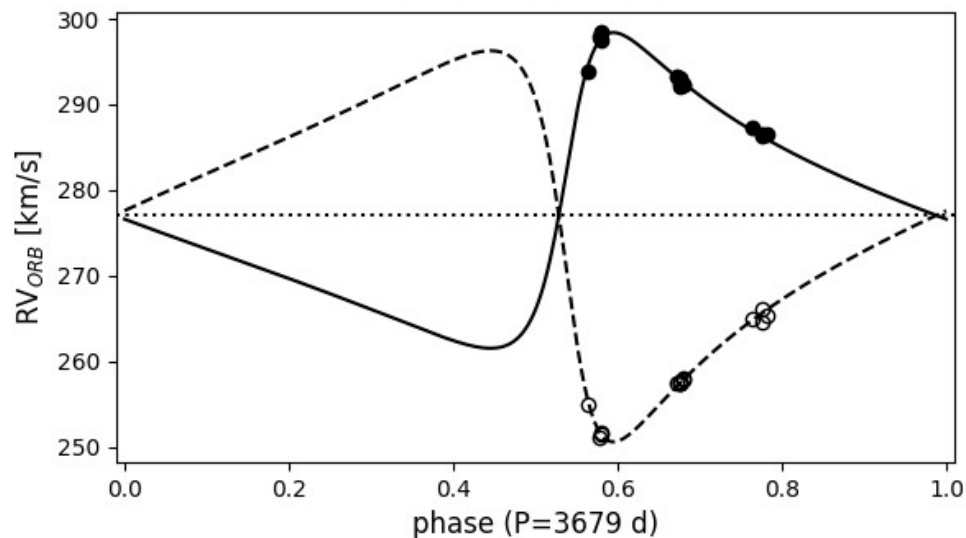


- **Merger-origin binary Cepheids** (several with  $q \neq 1.0$ )
  - Cepheid or companion
  - From triple (multiple) systems

# Cepheids with giant companions

## wide-orbit binaries

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- **Wide-orbit binaries**
  - long orbital periods
  - best candidates for direct geometrical distances

**Discovery of a Binary-origin Classical Cepheid in a Binary System with a 59 day Orbital Period\*†**Bogumił Pilecki<sup>1</sup>, Ian B. Thompson<sup>2</sup>, Felipe Espinoza-Arancibia<sup>1</sup>, Richard I. Anderson<sup>3</sup>, Wolfgang Gieren<sup>4</sup>, Weronika Narloch<sup>4</sup>, Javier Minniti<sup>1</sup>, Grzegorz Pietrzyński<sup>1</sup>, Mónica Taormina<sup>5</sup>, Giuseppe Bono<sup>5</sup>, and Gergely Hajdu<sup>1</sup><sup>1</sup>Centrum Astronomiczne im. Mikołaja Kopernika, PAN, Bartycka 18, 00-716 Warsaw, Poland; [pilecki@camk.edu.pl](mailto:pilecki@camk.edu.pl)<sup>2</sup>Carnegie Observatories, 813 Santa Barbara Street, Pasadena, CA 91101-1292, USA<sup>3</sup>Institute of Physics, Laboratory of Astrophysics, EPFL, Observatoire de Sauverny, 1290 Versoix, Switzerland<sup>4</sup>Universidad de Concepción, Departamento de Astronomía, Casilla 160-C, Concepción, Chile<sup>5</sup>Dipartimento di Fisica Università di Roma Tor Vergata, viadella Ricerca Scientifica 1, I-00133 Rome, Italy  
Received 2022 September 24; revised 2022 October 31; accepted 2022 November 1; published 2022 November 30**Abstract**

We report the discovery of a surprising binary configuration of the double-mode Cepheid OGLE-LMC-CEP-1347 pulsating in the first ( $P_1 = 0.690$  days) and second-overtone ( $P_2 = 0.556$  days) modes. The orbital period ( $P_{\text{orb}} = 59$  days) of the system is five times shorter than the shortest known to date (310 days) for a binary Cepheid. The Cepheid itself is also the shortest-period one ever found in a binary system and the first double-mode Cepheid in a spectroscopically double-lined binary. OGLE-LMC-CEP-1347 is most probably on its first crossing through the instability strip, as inferred from both its short period and fast period increase, consistent with evolutionary models, and from the short orbital period (not expected for binary Cepheids whose components have passed through the red giant phase). Our evolutionary analysis yielded a first-crossing Cepheid with a mass in a range of  $2.9\text{--}3.4 M_{\odot}$  (lower than any measured Cepheid mass), consistent with observations. The companion is a stable star, at least two times fainter and less massive than the Cepheid (preliminary mass ratio  $q = 0.55$ ), while also redder and thus at the subgiant or more advanced evolutionary stage. To match these characteristics, the Cepheid has to be a product of binary interaction, most likely a merger of two less massive stars, which makes it the second known classical Cepheid of binary origin. Moreover, further evolution of the components may lead to another binary interaction.

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# OGLE LMC-CEP-1347

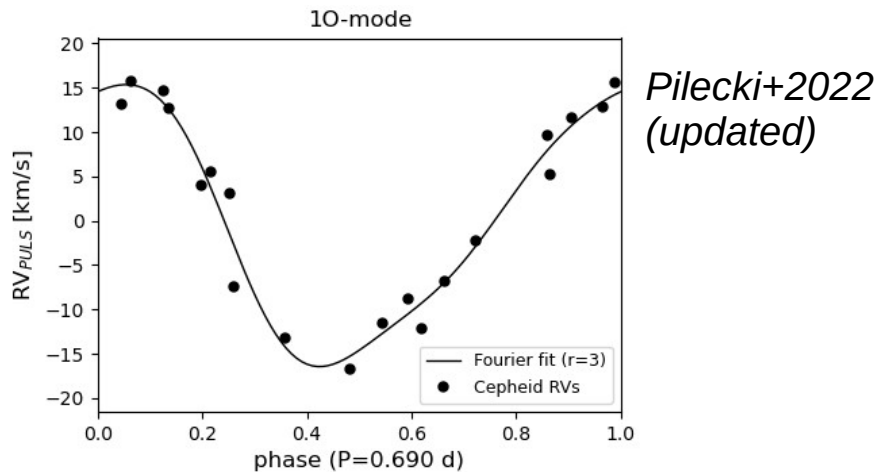
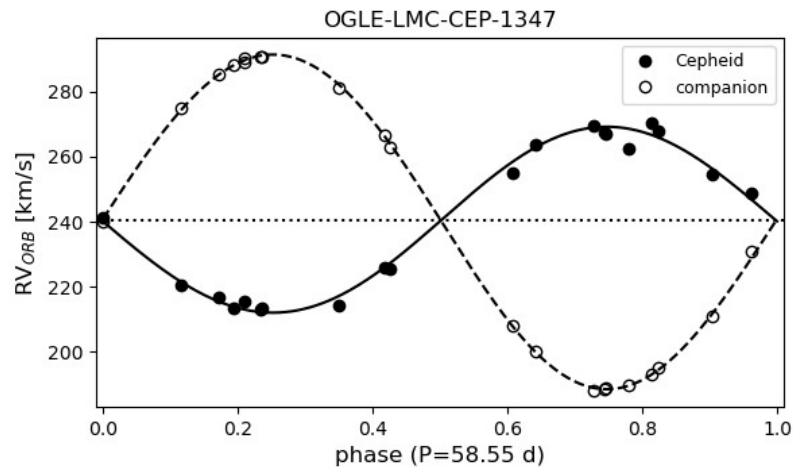
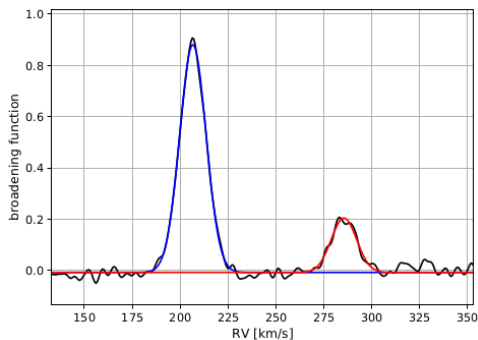
## a merger-origin, first-crossing, low-mass 10/20 Cepheid

*(Pilecki 2022, ApJL, 940, 48)*

# Cepheids with giant companions

## OGLE-LMC-CEP-1347

- Orbital period: 59 days (!)
- 5 times shorter than any measured before (310 d)
- Expected periods  $> 200$  days (after RGB) (Neilson+2015)
- Cepheid  $\sim 2x$  more massive
- Companion fainter and redded

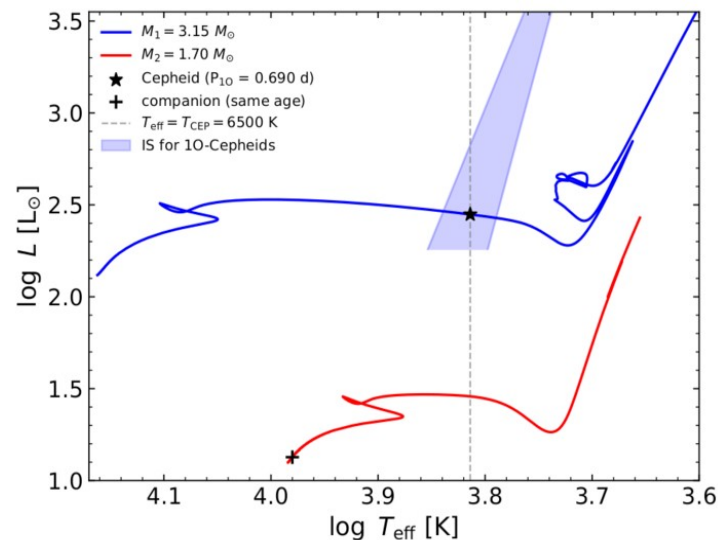


# Cepheids with giant companions

## OGLE-LMC-CEP-1347

- $M_{\text{cep}} > 2.02 M_{\odot}$
- $M_{\text{comp}} > 1.12 M_{\odot}$
- Estimates:
  - $M_{\text{cep}} \sim 3.2 M_{\odot}$
  - $M_{\text{comp}} \sim 1.8 M_{\odot}$
- => merger-origin Cepheid
  - $2+1 \rightarrow 1+1$
- => Hertzsprung gap (first crossing)
- See talk by Felipe Espinoza (new analysis and results)

Parameter	Value	Unit
$P$	$58.85 \pm 0.08$	days
$T_0$ (HJD)	$2459050.0 \pm 0.7$	days
$a \sin i$	$93.2 \pm 1.0$	$R_{\odot}$
$m_1 \sin^3 i$	$2.02 \pm 0.04$	$M_{\odot}$
$m_2 \sin^3 i$	$1.12 \pm 0.06$	$M_{\odot}$
$q = m_2/m_1$	$0.553 \pm 0.016$	-
$e$	0.0	-



## Cepheids with giant companions

### II. Spectroscopic confirmation of nine new double-lined binary systems composed of two Cepheids<sup>\*,\*\*</sup>

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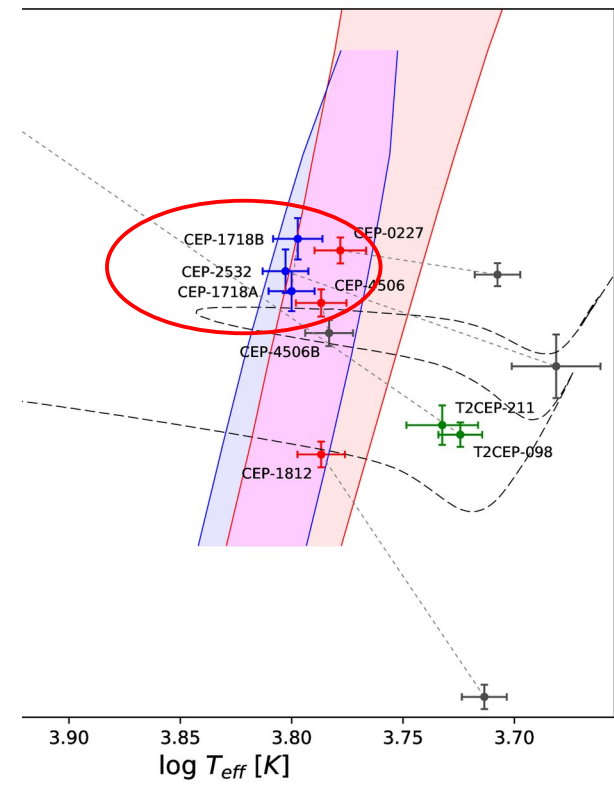
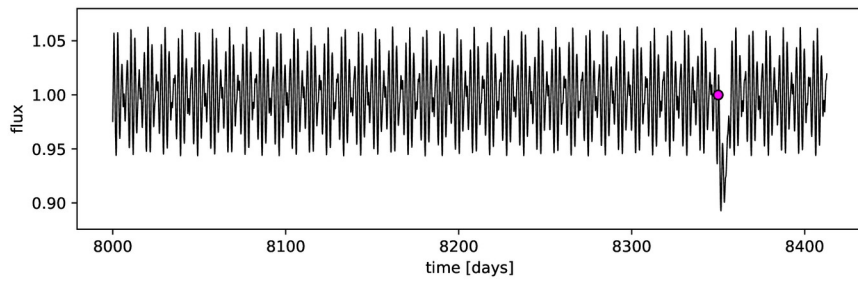
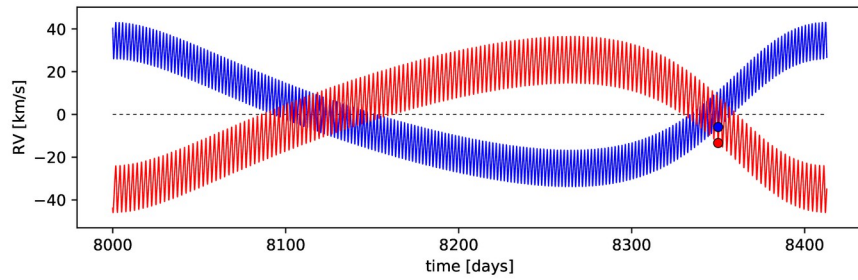
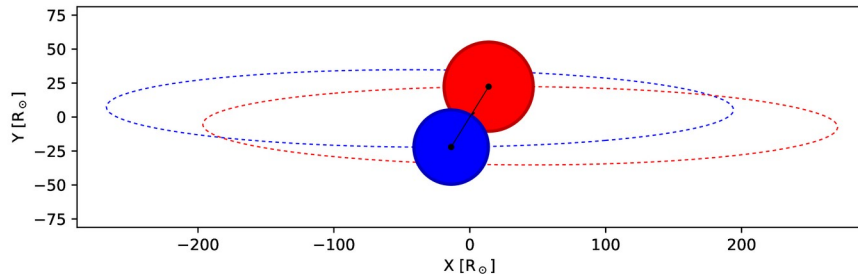
# BIND Cepheids

Spectroscopic confirmation of 9 new binary double Cepheids

*(Pilecki 2024, A&A, 686, 263)*

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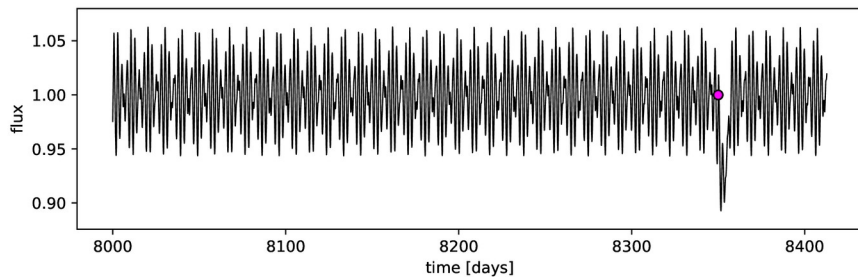
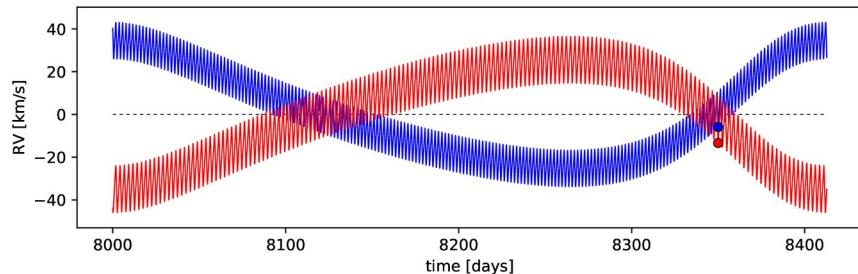
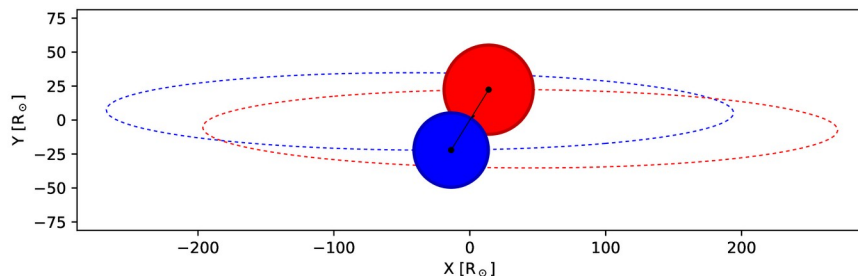
## eclipsing LMC-CEP-1718



*Gieren+2014, Pilecki+2018*

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## eclipsing LMC-CEP-1718



**Table 3**  
Properties of OGLE LMC-CEP-1718

Parameter	Primary	Secondary	Unit
spectral type	F5 II	F6 II/Ib	...
pulsation period	1.9636625	2.480917	days
mass	$4.27 \pm 0.04$	$4.22 \pm 0.04$	$M_{\odot}$
radius <sup>a</sup>	$27.8 \pm 1.2$	$33.1 \pm 1.3$	$R_{\odot}$
$\log g$	$2.18 \pm 0.04$	$2.02 \pm 0.03$	cgs
temperature	$6310 \pm 150$	$6270 \pm 160$	K
$\log L/L_{\odot}$	$3.04 \pm 0.06$	$3.18 \pm 0.06$	...
$V$	$15.72 \pm 0.03$	$15.74 \pm 0.03$	mag
$(V - I)$	$0.51 \pm 0.02$	$0.52 \pm 0.02$	mag
orbital period	$412.813 \pm 0.008$		days
$T_{\text{sec}}$	$2456701.77 \pm 0.05$		days
semimajor axis	$476.1 \pm 1.2$		$R_{\odot}$
inclination	$83.0 \pm 0.5$		degrees
$R_1 + R_2$	$60.9 \pm 1.5$		$R_{\odot}$
$R_2/R_1^b$	$1.19 \pm 0.08$		...
$E(B - V)$	$0.125 \pm 0.015$		mag

$$P_1/P_2 \sim 0.79 \quad \text{Pilecki+2018}$$

$$M_1/M_2 \sim 1.01$$



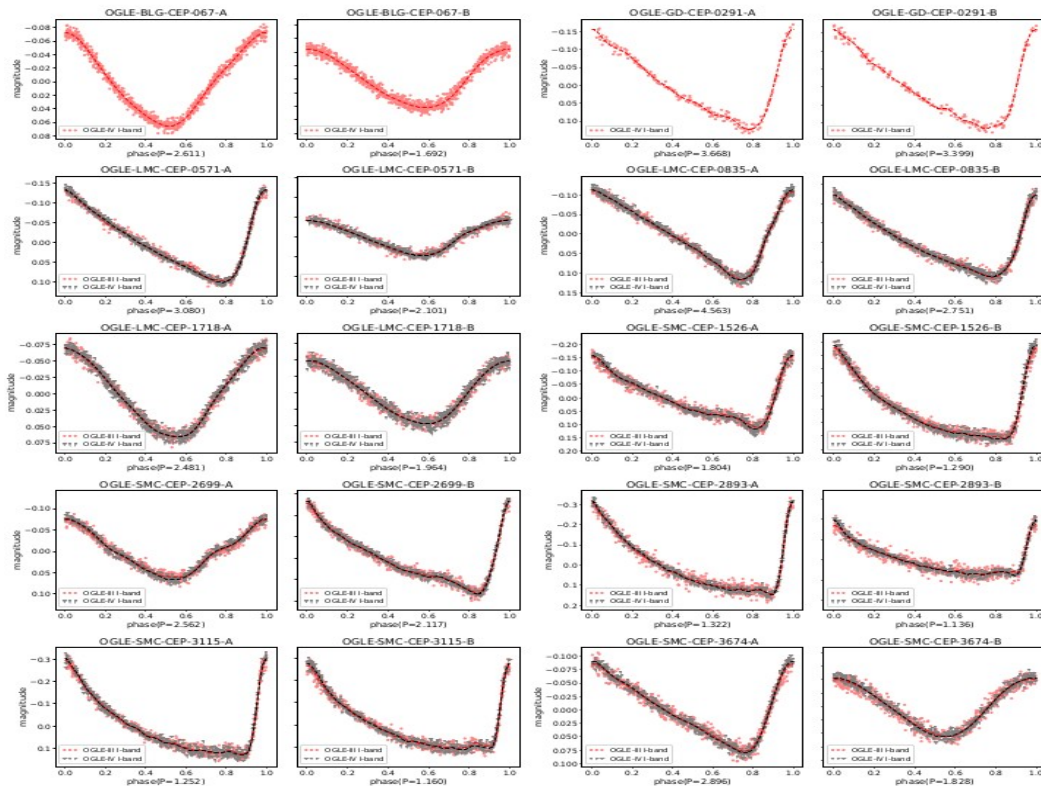
# Binary Double (BIND) Cepheids

the sample

OGLE ID	modes
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GD-CEP-0291	F+F
LMC-CEP-0571	F+10
LMC-CEP-0835	F+F
LMC-CEP-1718	10+10
SMC-CEP-1526	F+F
SMC-CEP-2699	10+F
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SMC-CEP-3674	F+10

Candidate double Cepheids:

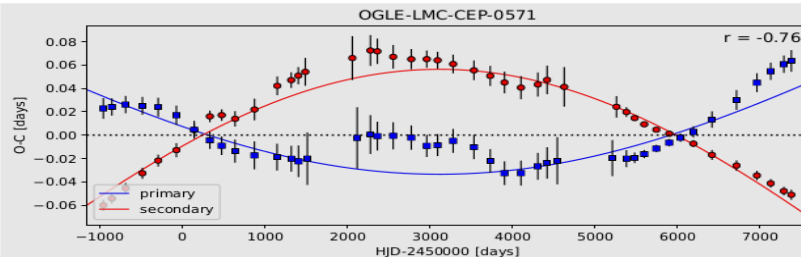
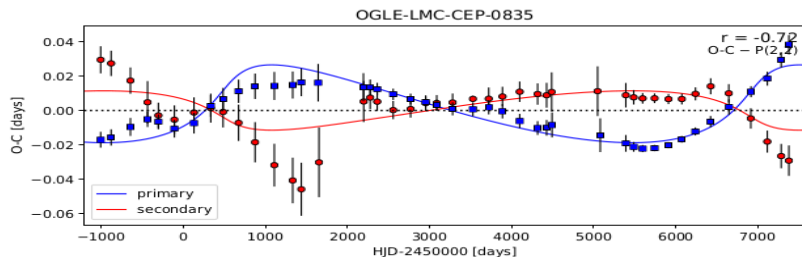
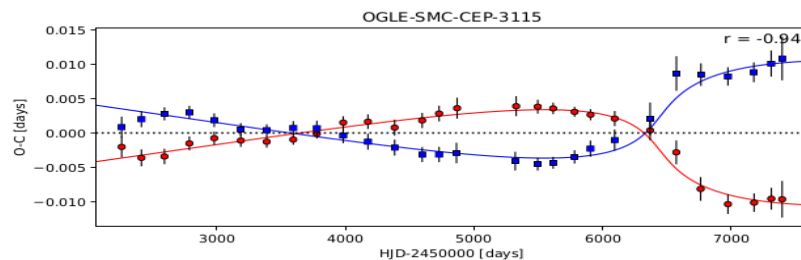
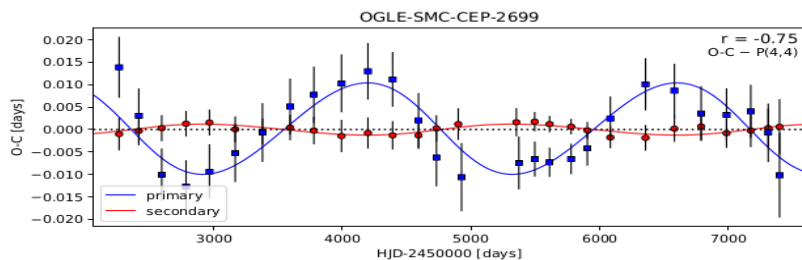
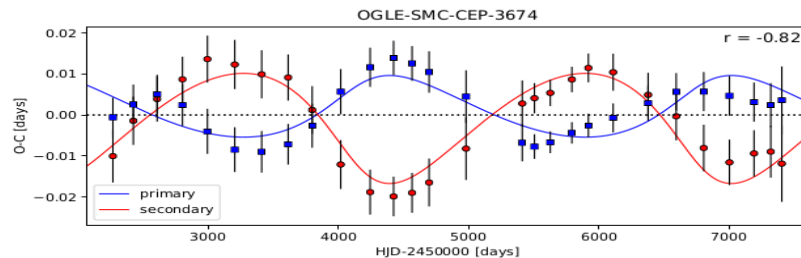
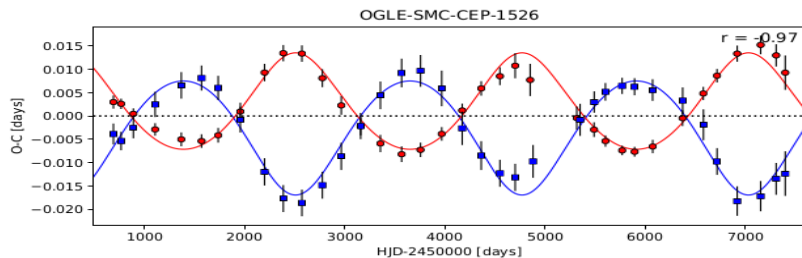
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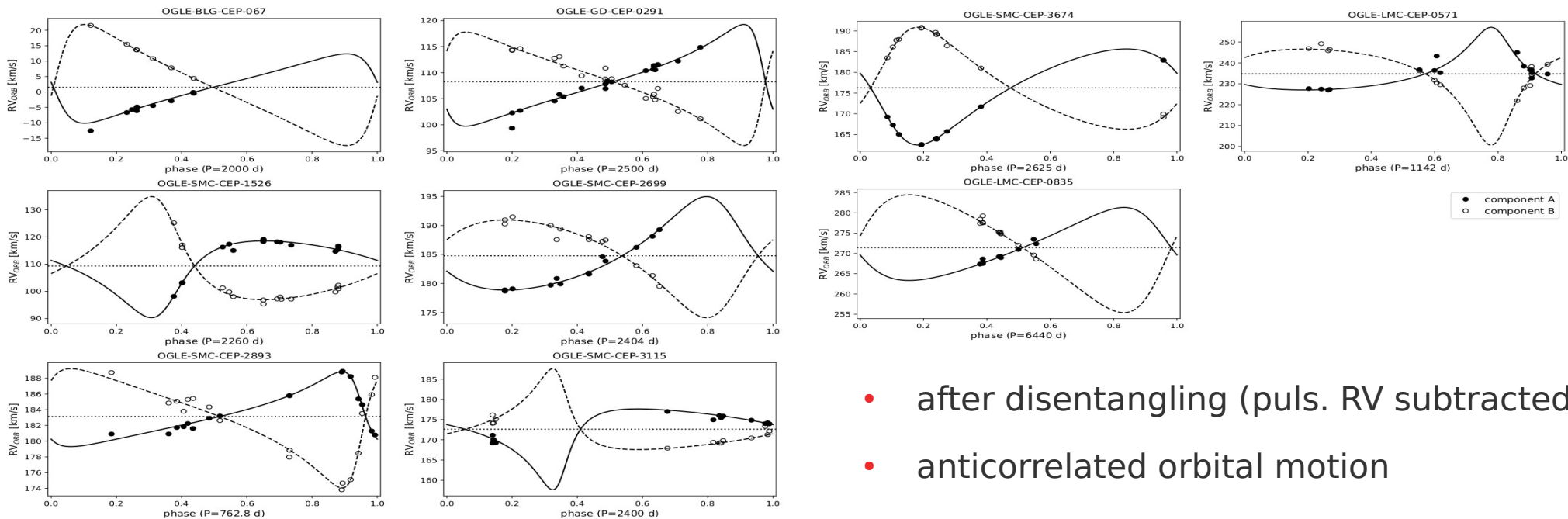
## binary O-C diagrams

- **O-C for both components combined**
- Polynomial subtraction
- Looking for  $r < -0.7$
- anticorrelated light-travel time effect
- binarity proof for 5 double Cepheids



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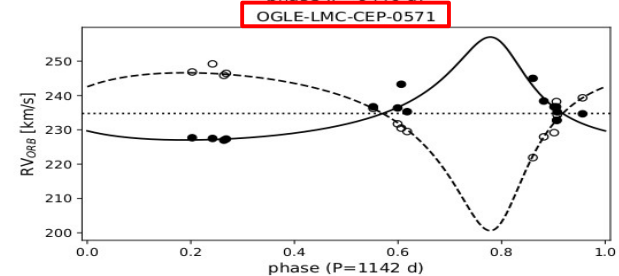
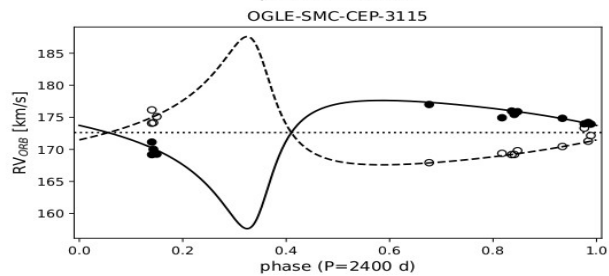
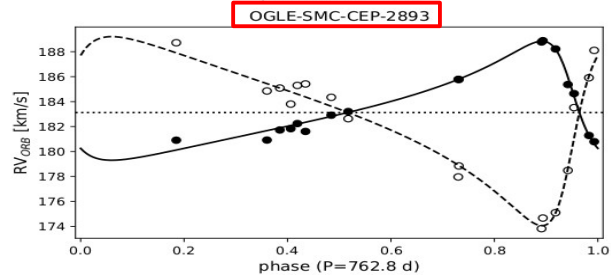
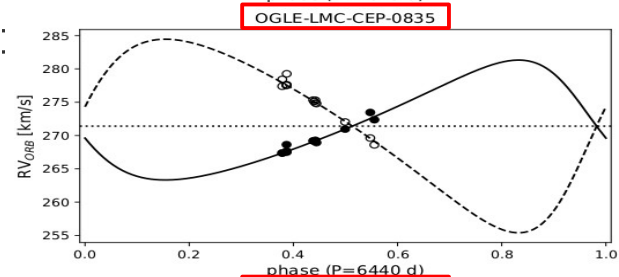
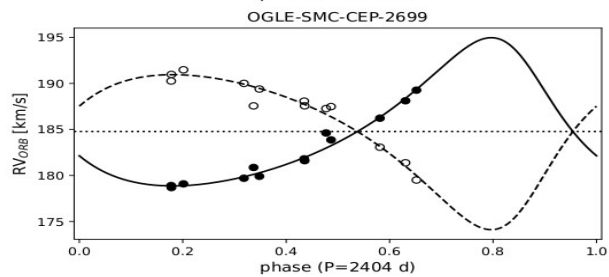
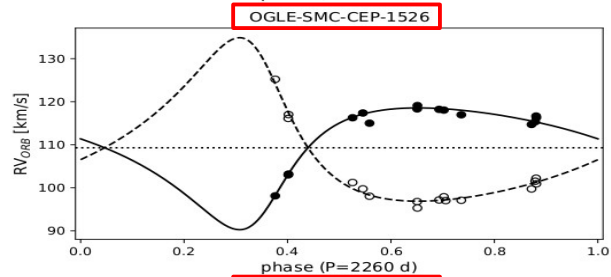
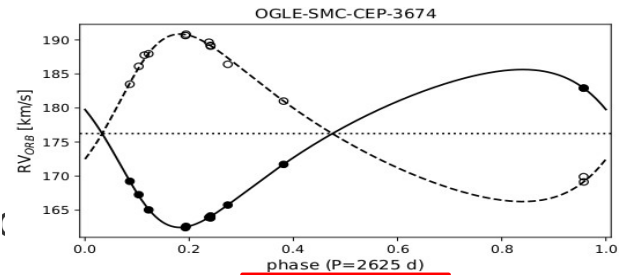
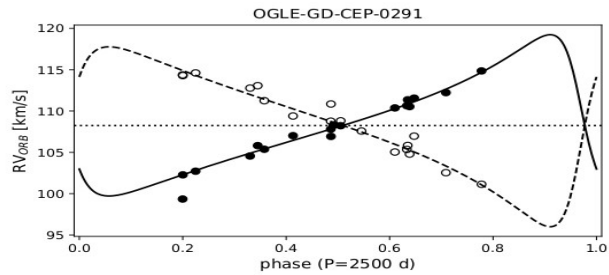
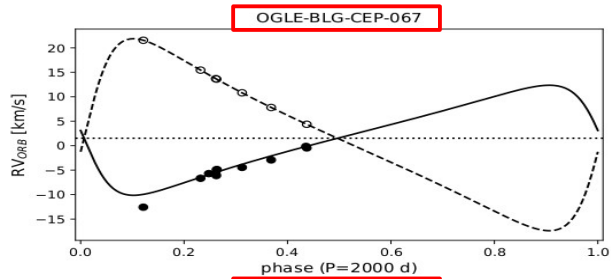
## spectroscopic confirmation



- after disentangling (puls. RV subtracted)
- anticorrelated orbital motion
- spectroscopic confirmation !
- mass ratios...

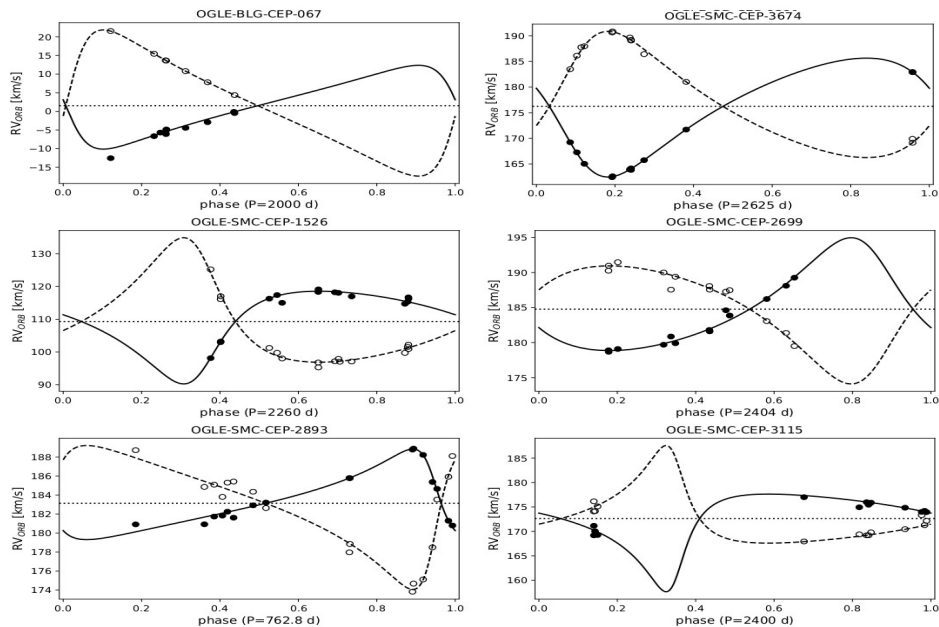
# BIND Cepheids

## mass ratios



# BIND Cepheids

## preliminary orbital solutions



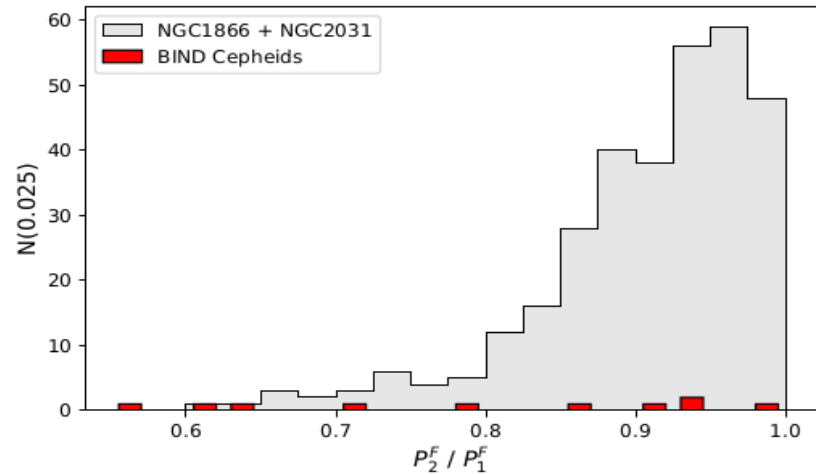
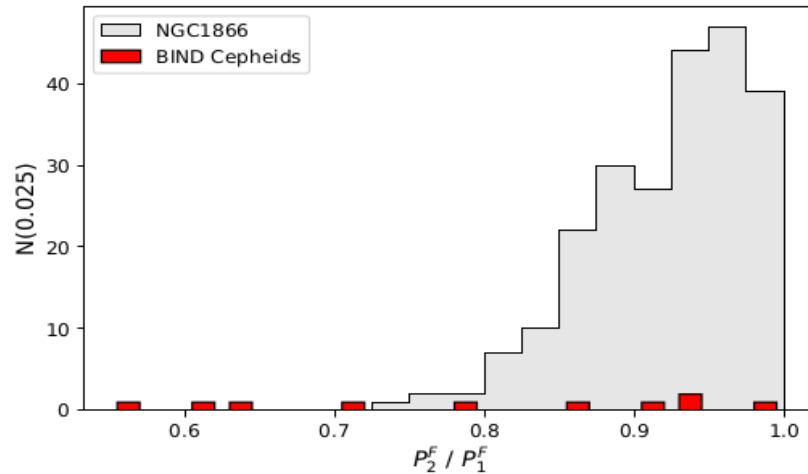
- Preliminary orbital solutions for 3 BIND Cepheids
  - 1526 - high min. masses (high inclination)
  - 2893 - face-on orbit (low  $P_{orb}$ )
- mass ratios vs. period ratios
- Merger origin of one component
  - Triple --> binary
  - Triple systems common?

$P_2^F / P_1^F$
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OGLE ID	$T_0$ [days]	$P_{orb}$ [days]	$q$	$M_1 \sin^3(i)$ [ $M_\odot$ ]	$M_2 \sin^3(i)$ [ $M_\odot$ ]	$A \sin(i)$ [ $R_\odot$ ]	$e$	$P_2^F / P_1^F$	$R_2 / R_1$
SMC-CEP-1526	8298±12	2260*	0.74±0.09	3.7±0.7	2.8±0.6	1350±90	0.42±0.05	0.715	0.71±0.04
SMC-CEP-2893	9212±6	762±7	0.63±0.06	0.05±0.01	0.03±0.01	150±9	0.58±0.04	0.860	0.74±0.03
SMC-CEP-3674	9256±21	2625*	0.94±0.13	1.7±0.4	1.6±0.3	1190±80	0.31±0.05	0.914	0.92±0.06

# BIND Cepheids

## period ratios - test



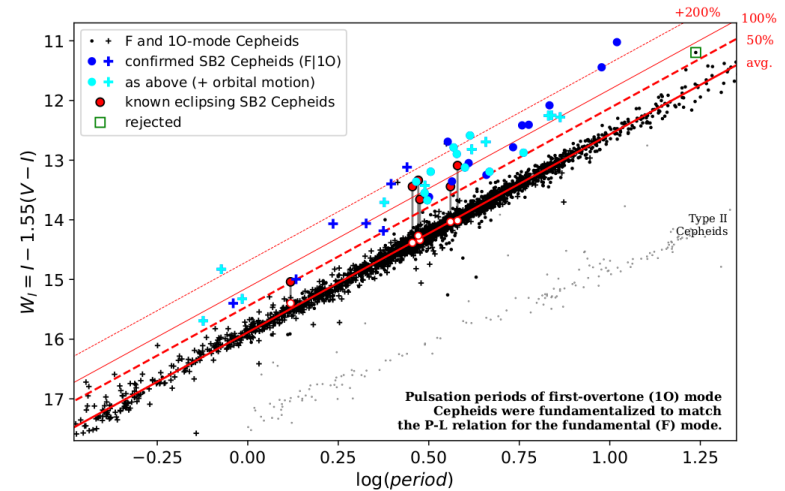
- BIND Cepheids ( $P_{\text{puls}}$  1.14-4.56 days); 50% with  $P_2/P_1 < 0.8$
- Simulating binaries with ~same-age cluster Cepheids:
  - 22 Cepheids in NGC 1866 ( $P_{\text{puls}}$  2.64-3.52 days)
  - 12 Cepheids in NGC 2031 ( $P_{\text{puls}}$  2.66-4.43 days)
  - 7% with  $P_2/P_1 < 0.8$

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# BIND Cepheids

## period-luminosity relations

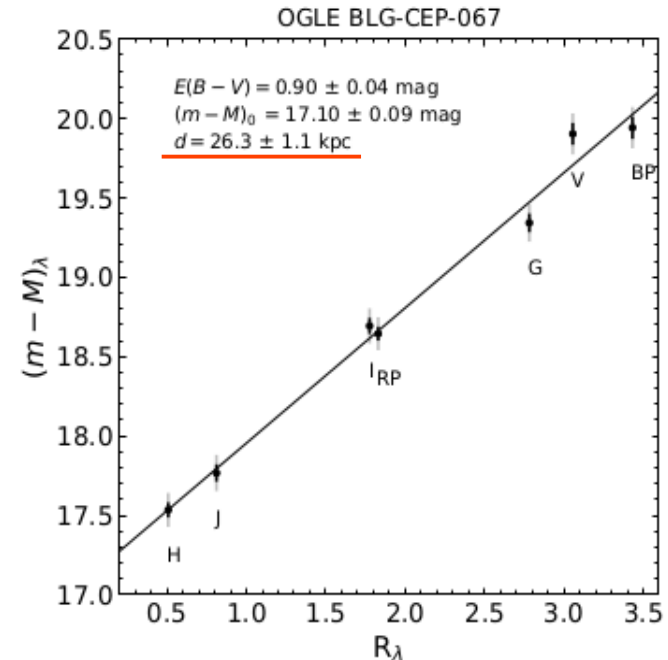
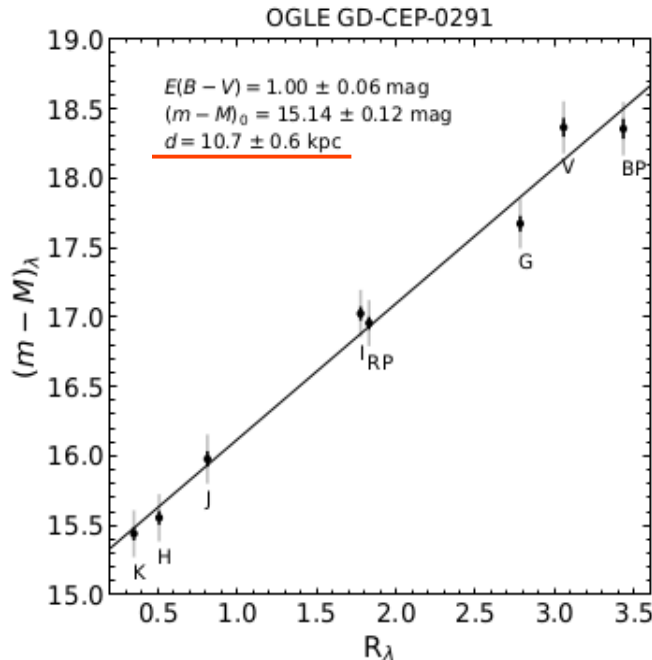
- 80% of Cepheids are in binaries
- Extra light from companions
- => brighter P-L relations (PLRs)
- 8 binary double Cepheids in the LMC/SMC
- Total light can be split between two Cepheids
- On average they lie below their PLRs
  - True Cepheid PLR fainter by:  
 $\Delta W(I,V) = 0.024 \pm 0.010$  mag
- First empirical evidence for that!
- Larger sample needed to confirm and increase precision



# BIND Cepheids

## distances

- LMC and SMC objects  
– known distances
- MW objects  
- modified multi-band method  
-  $d + E(B-V)$
- GD: 10.7 kpc
- BLG: 26.3 kpc  
(beyond GC)
- closest SB2  
Cepheids known

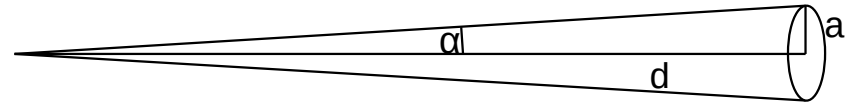
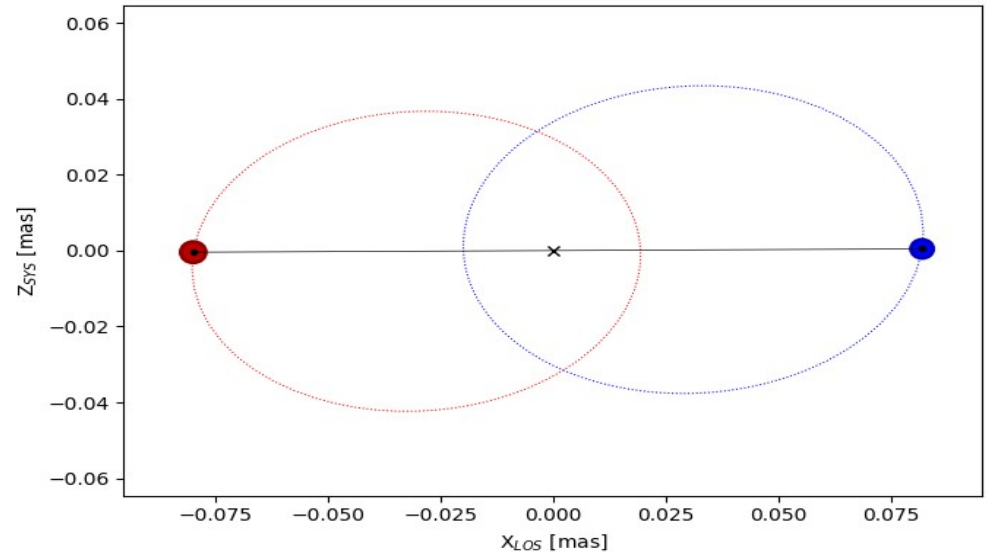




# BIND Cepheids

wide orbits

- Previously widest extragalactic:  
4.2 yr /  $\phi = 0.16$  mas  
(eclipsing binary Cepheid)
- BIND Cepheids  
- long orbital periods  
(up to  $\sim 18$  years)
- best candidates for direct  
geometric distance measurements
- GD object:  $\phi \sim 1$  mas  
(interferometry)
- LMC object (P $\sim 18$  yr)  
 $\phi$  high but n.y.d.



# SB2 single and double Cepheids

## summary

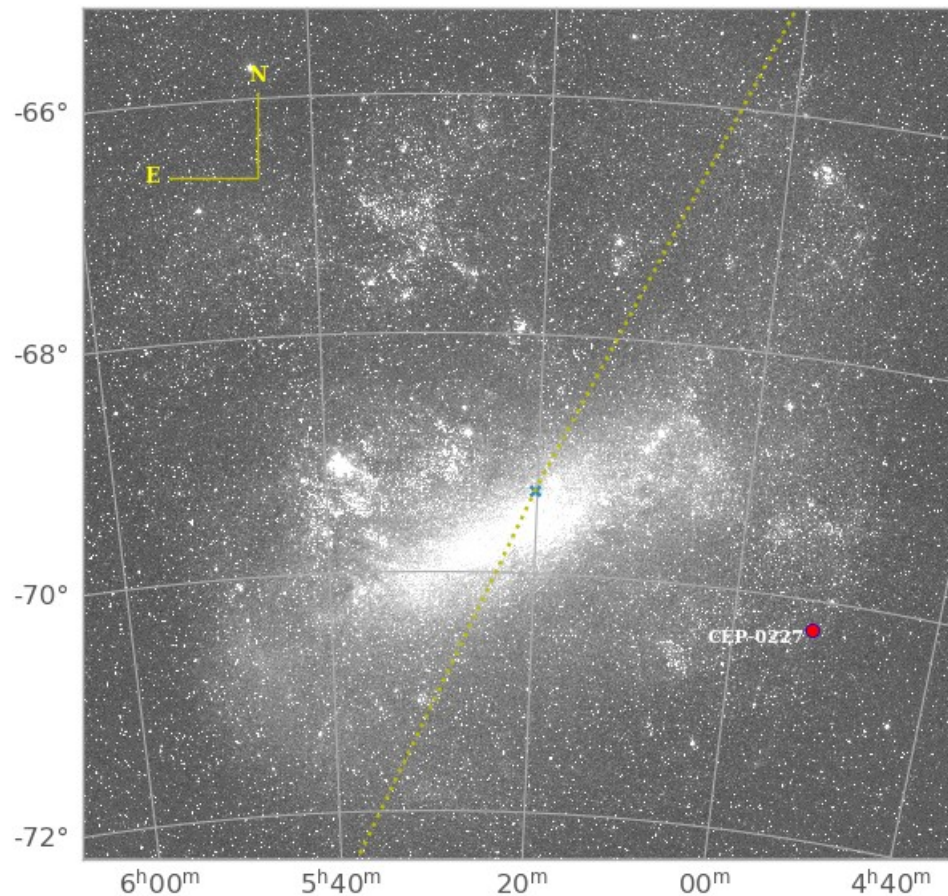
- Explanation of overbright Cepheids
- 60 LMC/SMC/MW Cepheids in SB2 systems (10x more)
  - 9 new binary double (BIND) Cepheids (1 => 10)
- First giant+giant SB2 binary Cepheids in the MW and SMC
- Closest such SB2 Cepheids ~10.7 kpc
- Low period ratios / Low mass ratios
  - => merger origin for a significant fraction of Cepheids
- BIND Cepheids good for testing P-L relations
- Longest-period / highest-separation extragalactic binaries
  - Direct geometric distances (in future)

# LMC binary Cepheids

spectroscopically confirmed

in 2010

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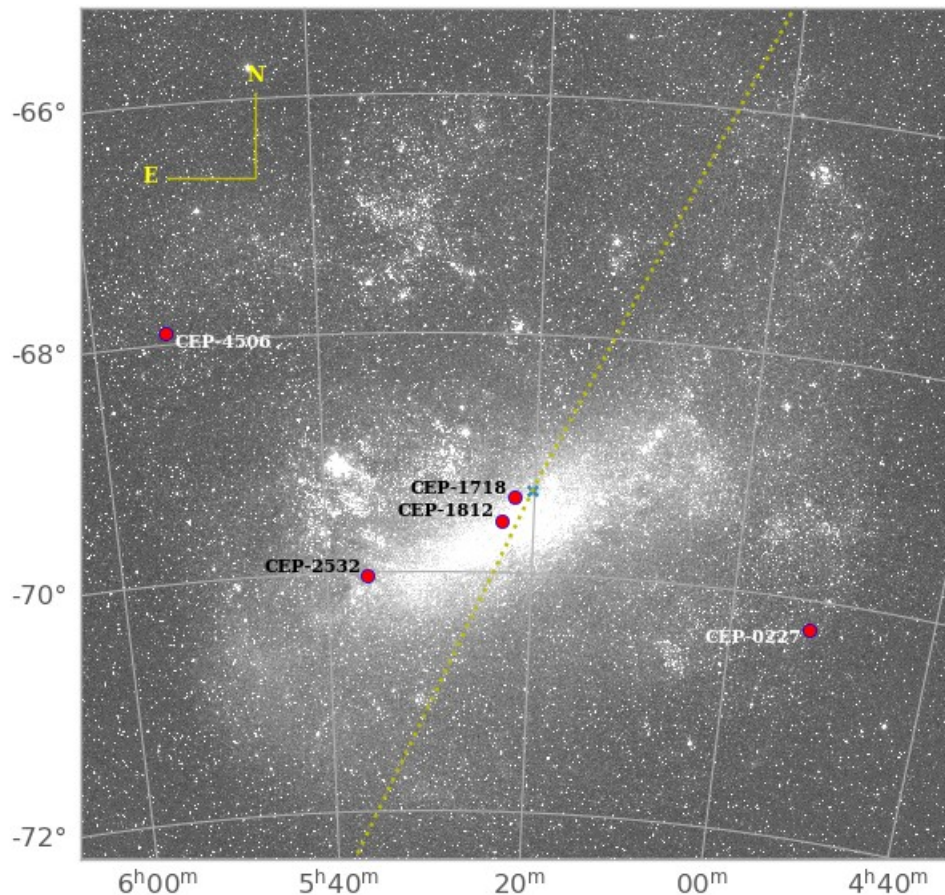


# LMC binary Cepheids

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in 2020

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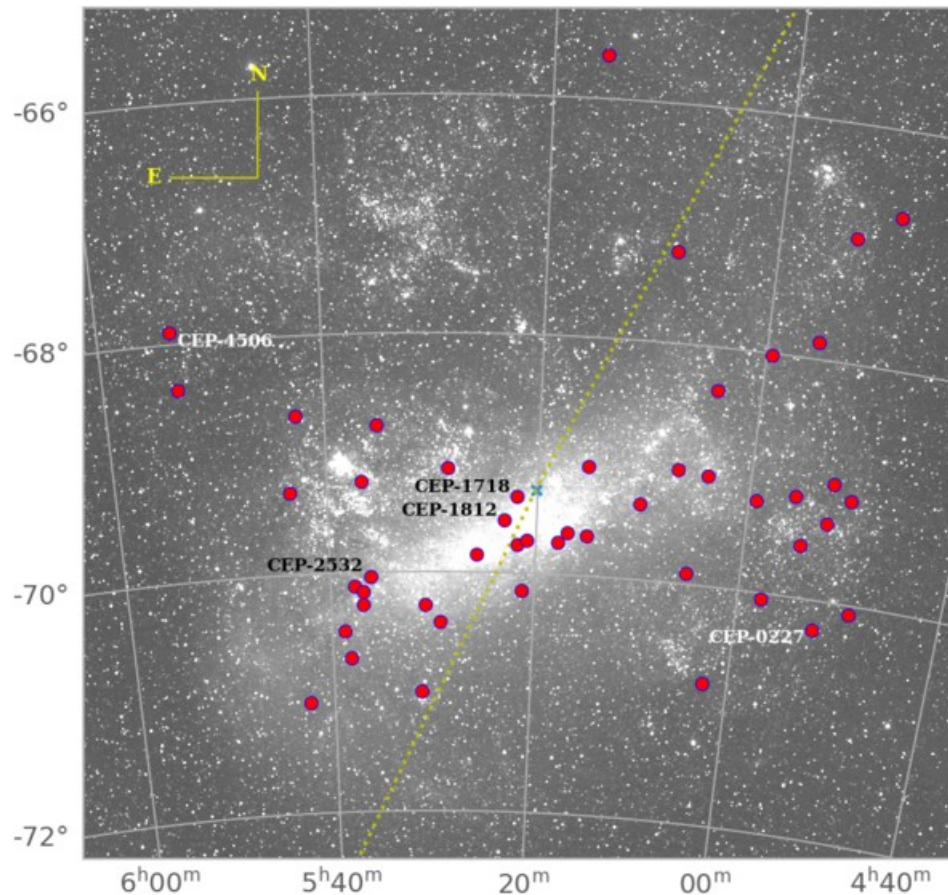


# LMC binary Cepheids

spectroscopically confirmed

now

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