



The CARMA project: homogeneous ages of Globular clusters to probe the Galactic assembly

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CARMA: Cluster Ages to Reconstruct the Milky Way Assembly

Objective:

homogeneous, self-consistent derivation of the age of all Galactic GC

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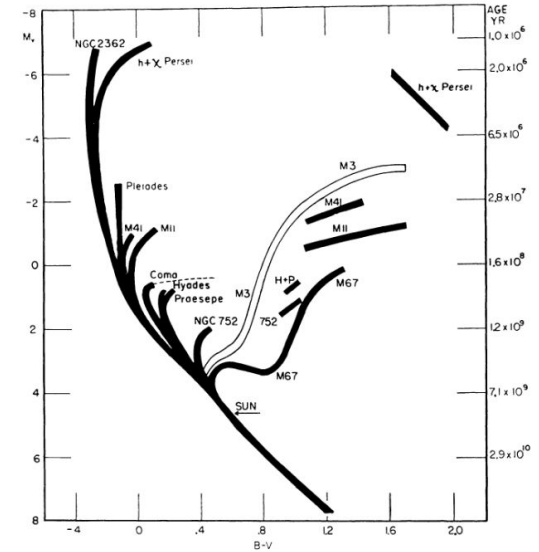
C. Gallart, T. Ruiz-Lara, E. Fernández-Alvar, F. Surot

A. Stokholm, M. Salaris, A. Miglio, E. Ceccarelli



Context: the age of Globular Clusters, a classical problem

- constraints to stellar evolution
- lower limit to the age of the Universe
- time scale for the formation of the Milky Way



Sandage 1954

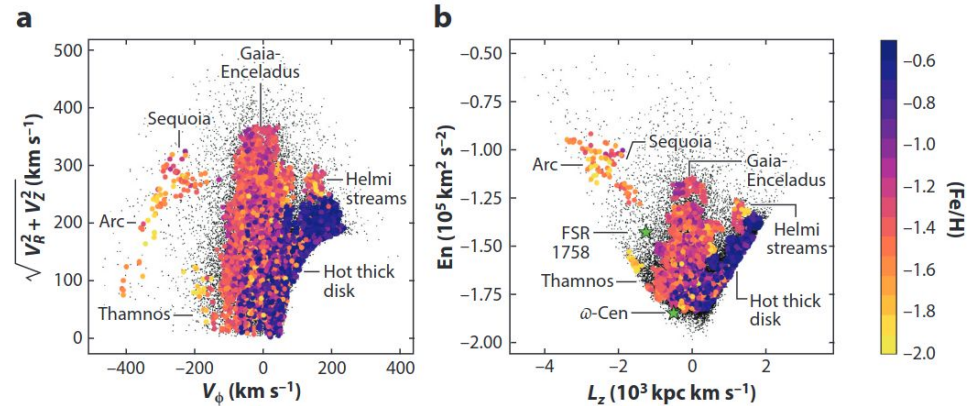
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→ Monolithic Collapse

Searle & Zinn (1978)

→ Hierarchical model



Helmi 2020

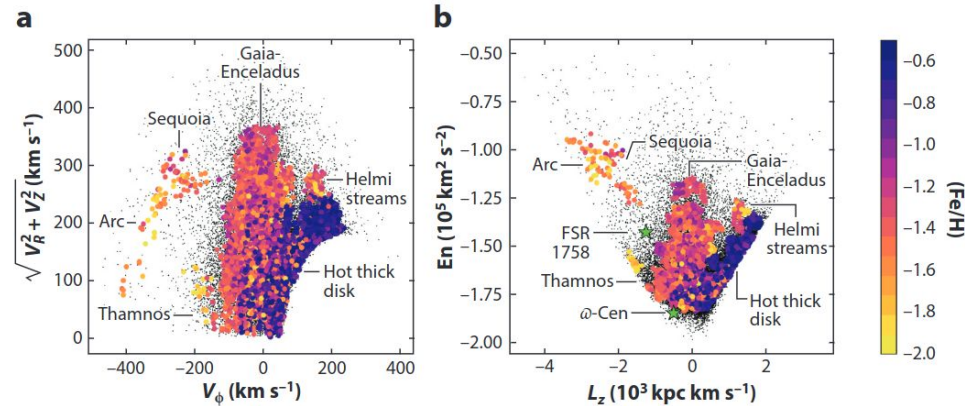
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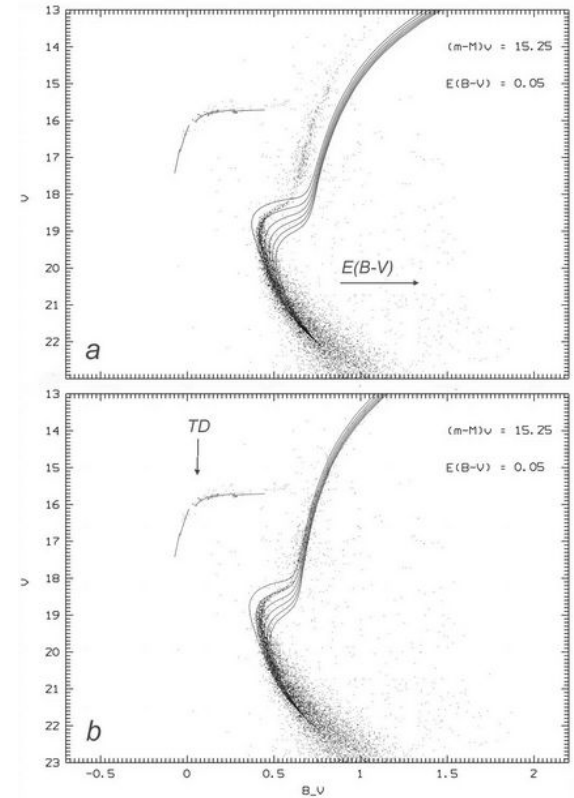
GCs ages provide independent and strong constraints complementary to the dynamical and chemical approaches

Context: the age of Globular Clusters, a classical problem

→ Main Sequence Turn Off is the best age indicator

BUT

0.1 mag error on the TO positions propagates to 1 Gyr error on the age (e.g. Renzini 1993)



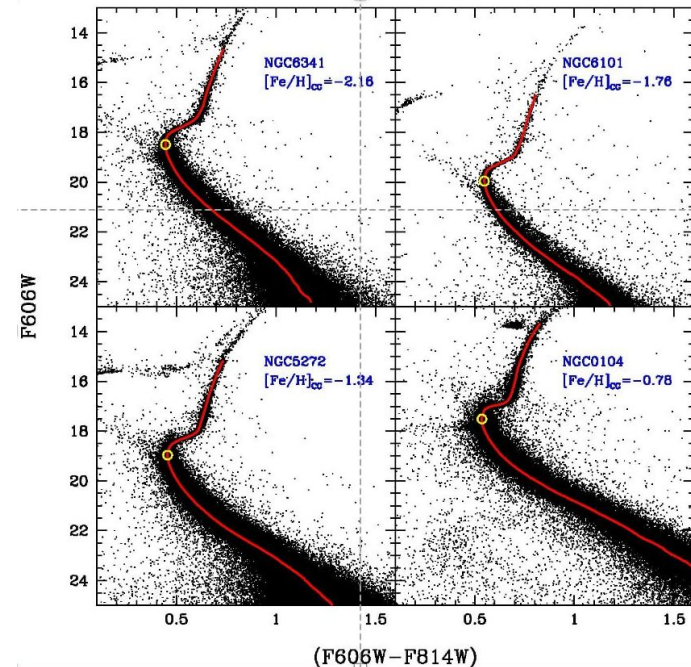
Castellani 1985

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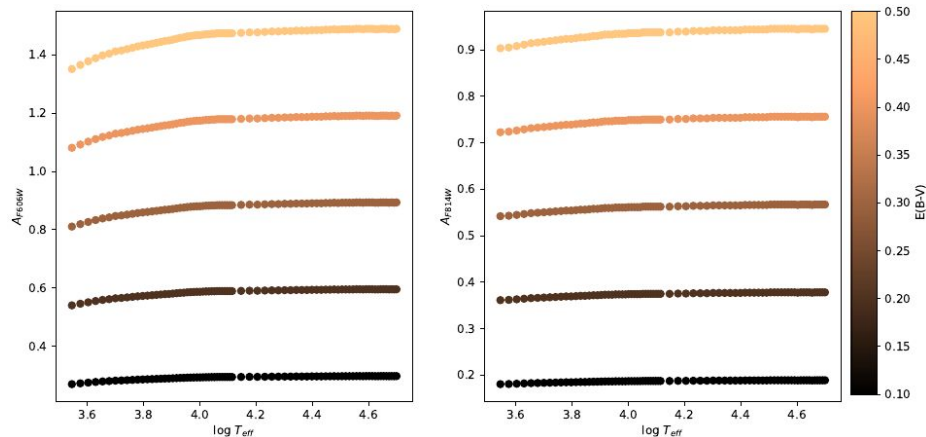
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- Isochrones from the **BaSTI database**
- Models with diffusion (Hidalgo+18)
- **solar-scaled**
- grid: 6 < age < 14 Gyr (0.1 Gyr step)
-2.5 < [M/H] < 0 (0.01 dex step)
- temperature-dependent reddening correction
 $E(B-V) > 0.1$ mag
- shifted to the observational plane (distance, reddening) → Harris



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- New version of the original version by Saracino+19
 - user friendly input/output;
 - parallelized (< 30 min per cluster)
 - prepared for different photometric systems: Johnson, HST (ACS, WFC3), Gaia
 - MCMC approach to derive age, metallicity, distance, reddening
 - Priors: metallicity, distance, reddening
 - $\sigma_{[M/H]}=0.1$ $\sigma_{E(B-V)}=0.05$ $\sigma_{DM}=0.1$

Ingredients

Data

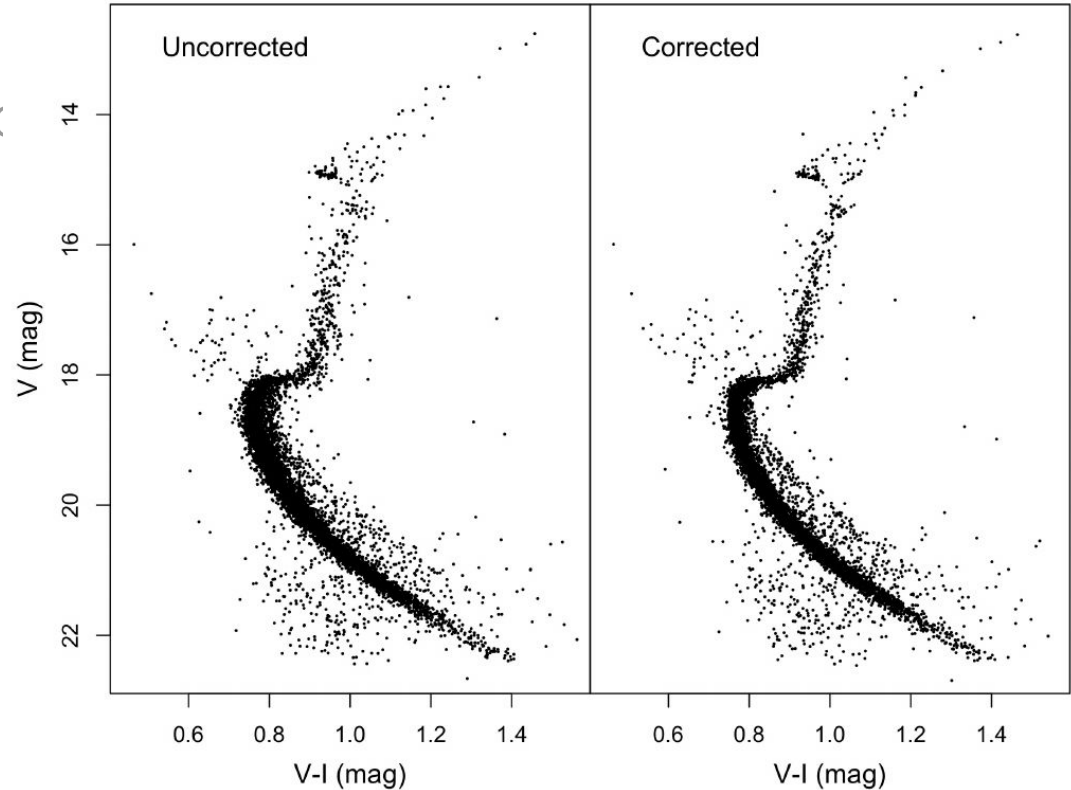
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 1. proper-motion cleaning ($P > 90\%$)



Ingredients

Data

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 2. differential reddening correction
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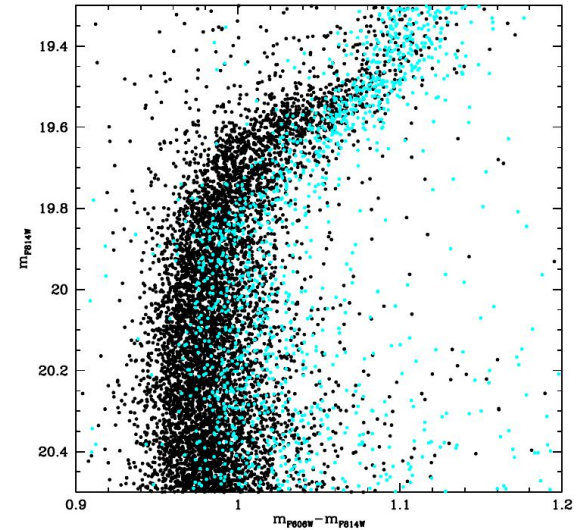
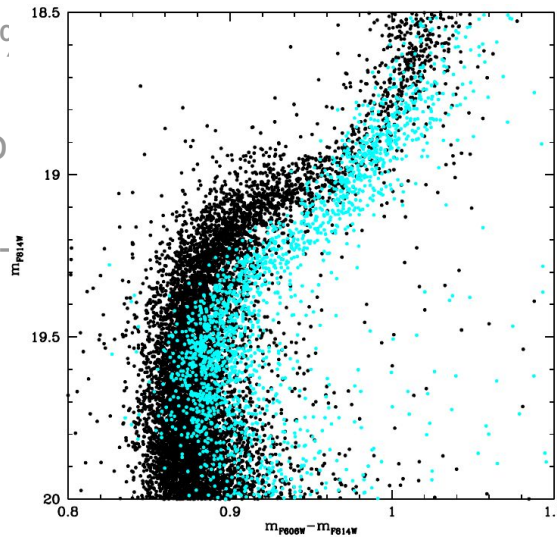


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2. differential reddening correction
3. exclude the inner regions ($20''$)
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NGC6388

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 2. differential reddening correction
 3. exclude the inner regions (20''-60'')
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 5. Aged derived from both the (F606W-F814W, F606W) and (F606W-F814W, F814W)



CMDft.Gaia



ChronoSynth

Synthetic CMD computation

PRODUCES

mother CMD

INPUT

flat age [age_{max} , age_{min}]
flat Z [Z_{min} , Z_{max}]
IMF
binaries: β , q_{min}
stellar evolution library
bolometric corrections
 N_{stars} to M_{lim}

DisPar-Gaia

Error & completeness simulation
(Ruiz-Lara+2022, Fernández-Alvar+2024)

PRODUCES

mother CMD w/errors

INPUT

photometric errors
distance errors
reddening map (*)
quality cuts (*)
completeness 5D/6D(*)

*Not considered for the GCNS

DirSFH

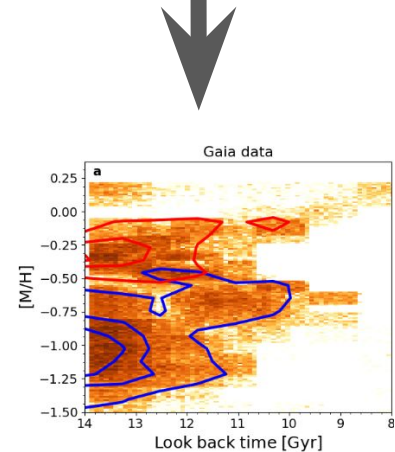
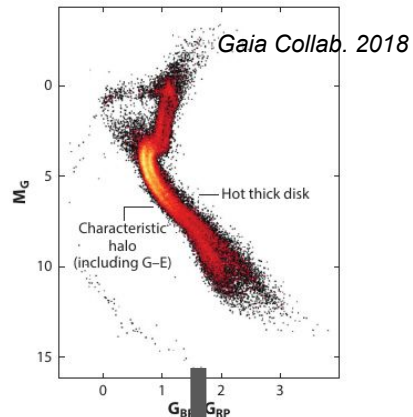
Finding best SSP combination

PRODUCES

deSFH, solution CMD

INPUT

observed & mother CMDs
age (Z) seed points \rightarrow SSP bundle
weight across bundle
colour-magnitude shift
minimisation algorithm (Skellam)
number of SSP realisations



Gallart+19

Carme Gallart's talk this morning (Gallart+2024)

\rightarrow FULLY CONSISTENT AGE SCALE



Results

I. NGC6388, NGC6441

Bulge clusters, $[Fe/H] \sim -0.5$

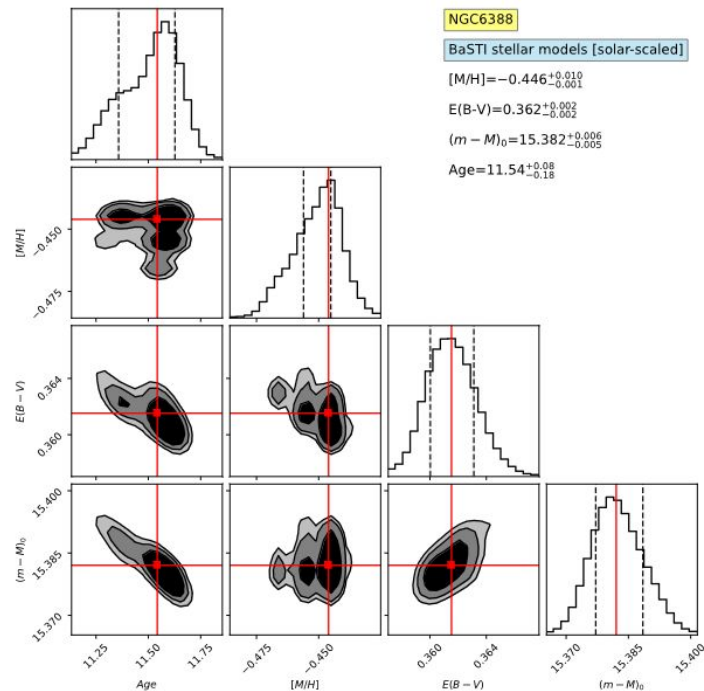
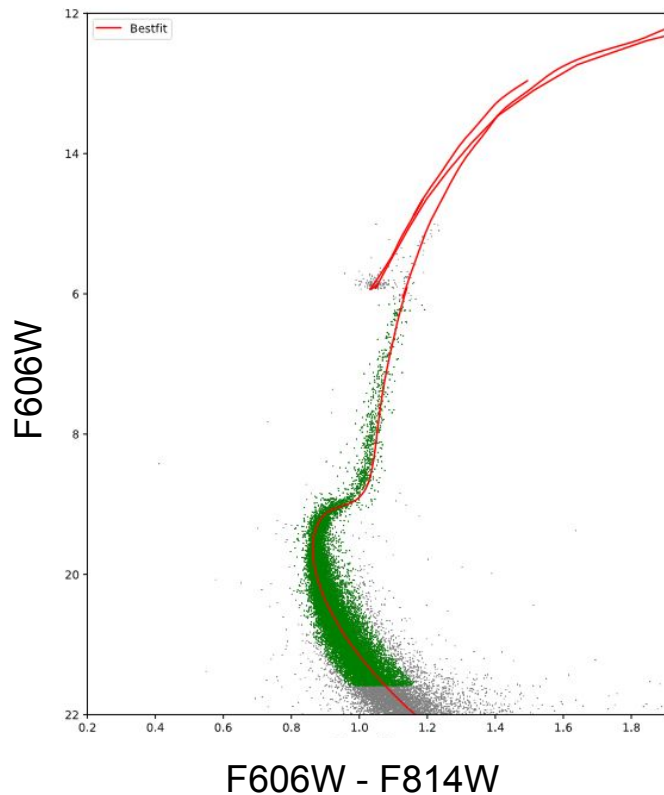
Control sample: NGC5927, NGC6304, NGC6352, NGC6496

	Dynamics		Chemistry	
	in situ	accreted	in situ	accreted
NGC6388	Massari+19* Forbes 2020 Callingham+21		Carretta & Bragaglia 2022	Minelli+21, Horta+20
NGC6441	Forbes 2020 Callingham+21	Massari+19*	Carretta & Bragaglia 2022	Minelli+21



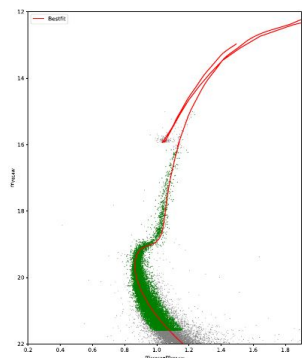
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NGC6388, NGC6441

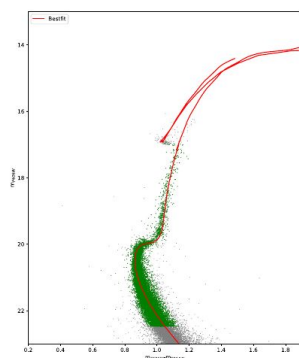


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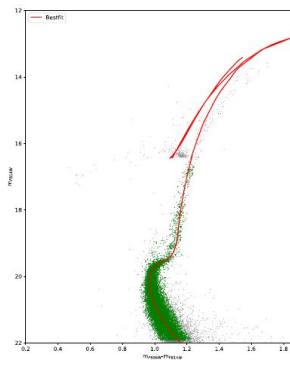
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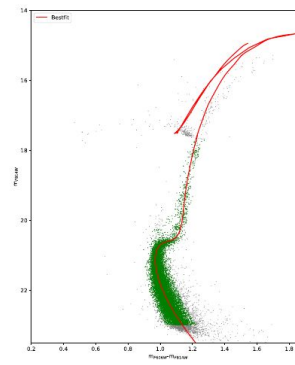
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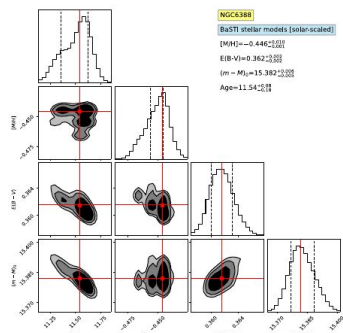
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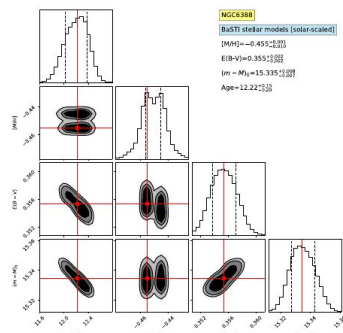
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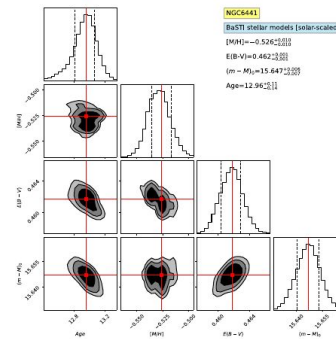
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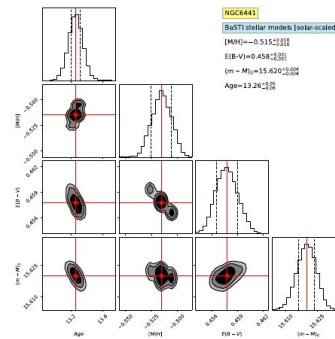
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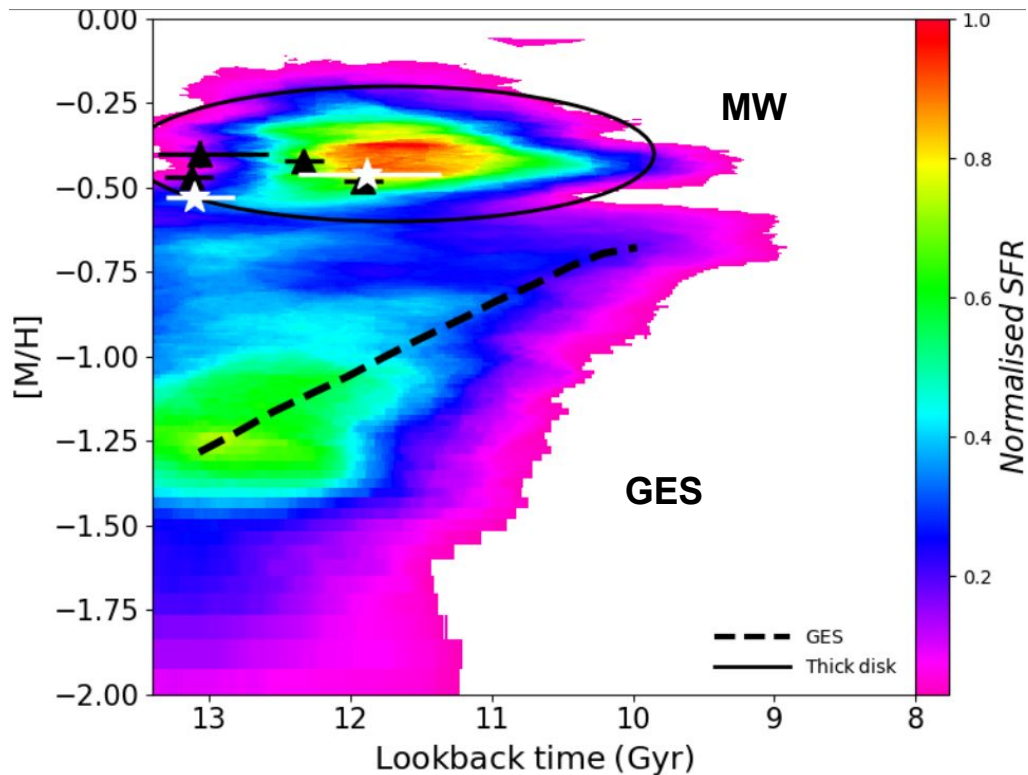
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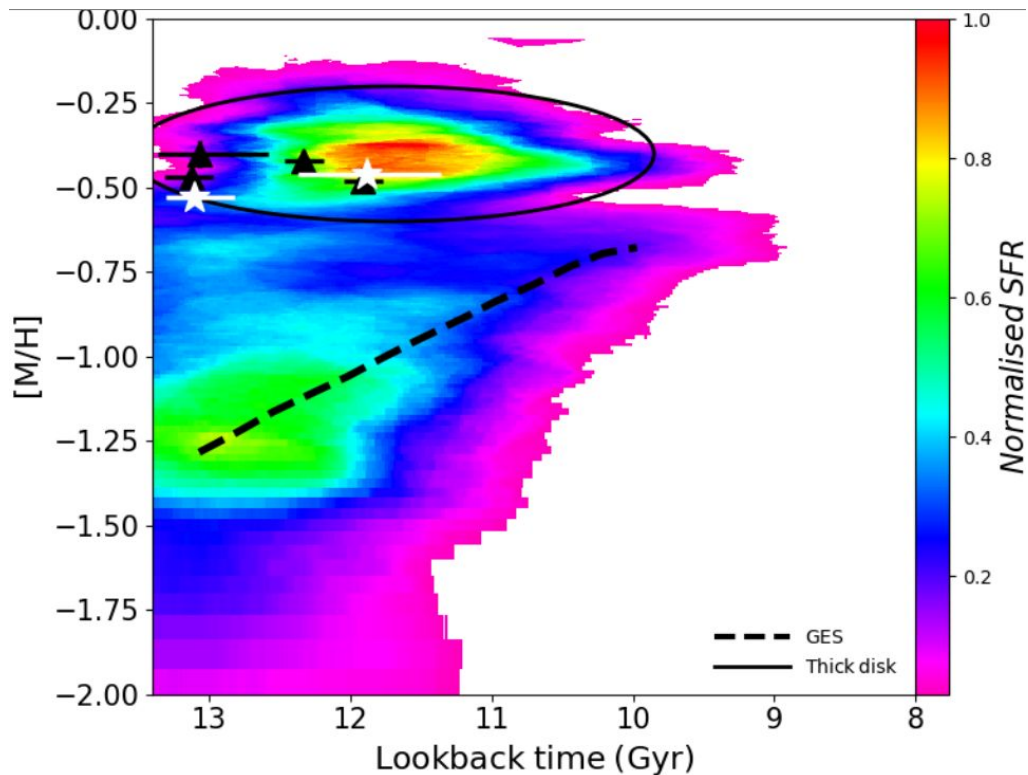
NGC6388, NGC6441



Field star selection:
 $R < 1$ kpc, $|Z| < 3.5$ kpc
 $v_t > 200$ km/s

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NGC6388, NGC6441

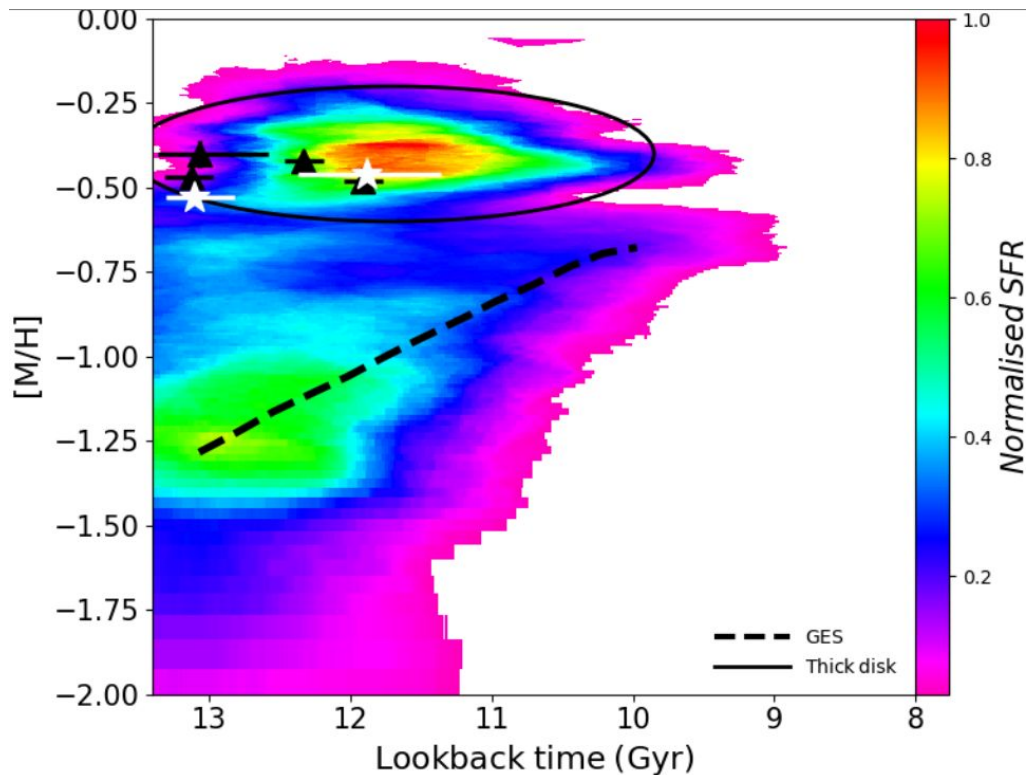


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NGC5927	$12.33^{+0.14}_{-0.14}$
NGC6304	$13.07^{+0.29}_{-0.49}$
NGC6352	$11.91^{+0.14}_{-0.14}$
NGC6388	$11.88^{+0.49}_{-0.52}$
NGC6441	$13.11^{+0.20}_{-0.29}$
NGC6496	$13.12^{+0.20}_{-0.15}$

Results

NGC6388, NGC6441

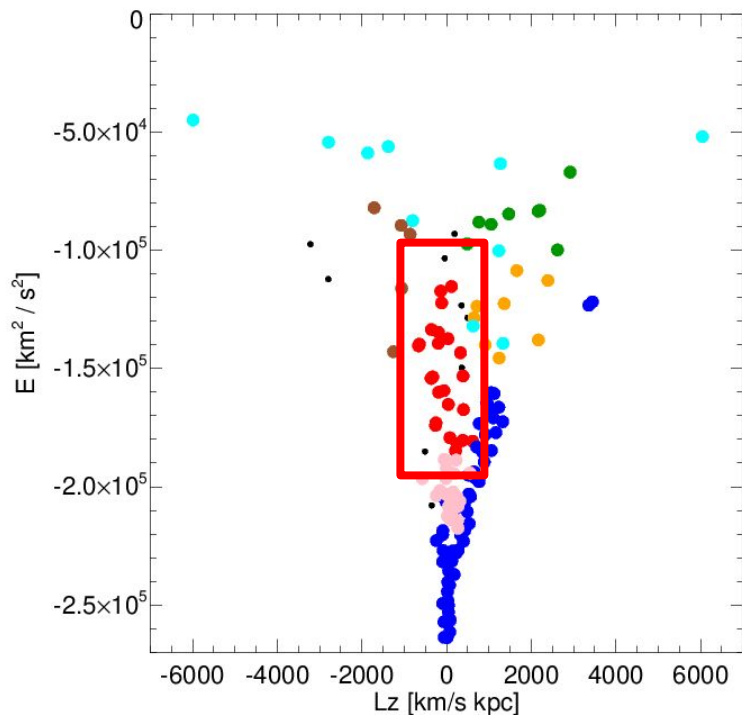


The AMR clearly discriminates the origin of NGC6388 and NGC6441 and places them as **formed in situ**

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II. Gaia Enceladus clusters



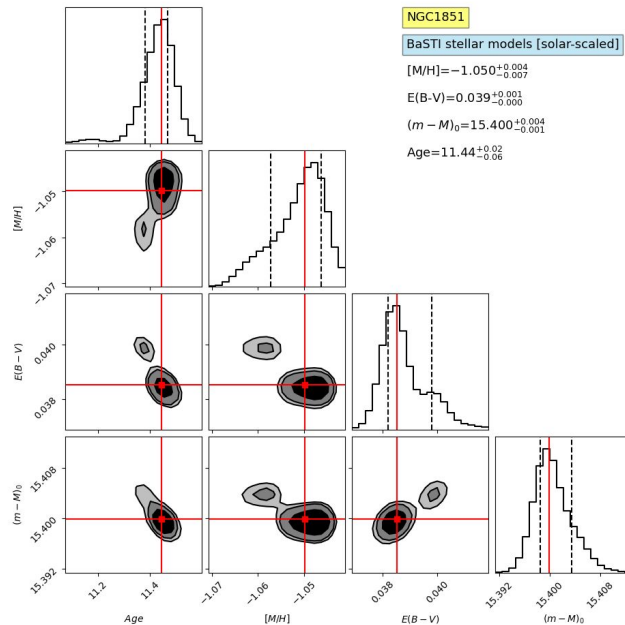
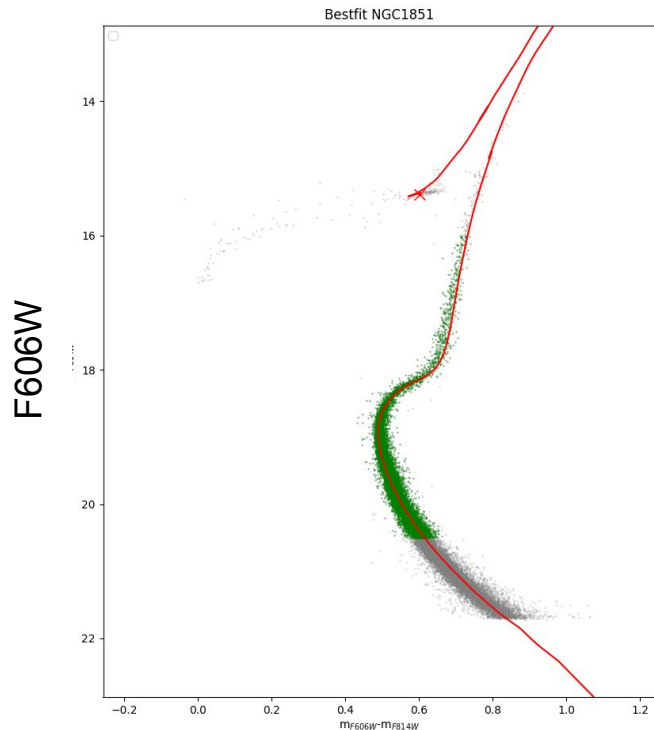
NGC288
NGC362
NGC1261
NGC1851
NGC2298
NGC2808
NGC5286
NGC5897
NGC6205 M13
NGC6341 M92
NGC6779
NGC7089 M2
NGC7099

- In common with Koppelman+19
- ACS photometry

Results

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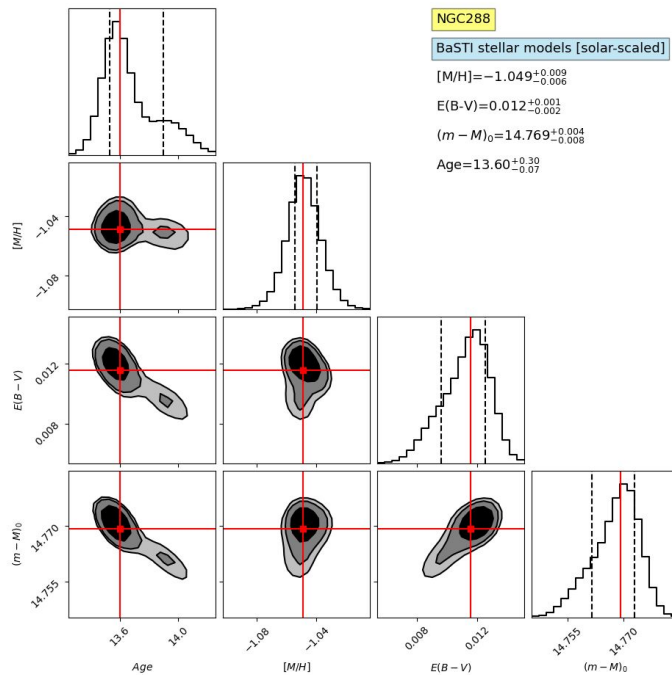
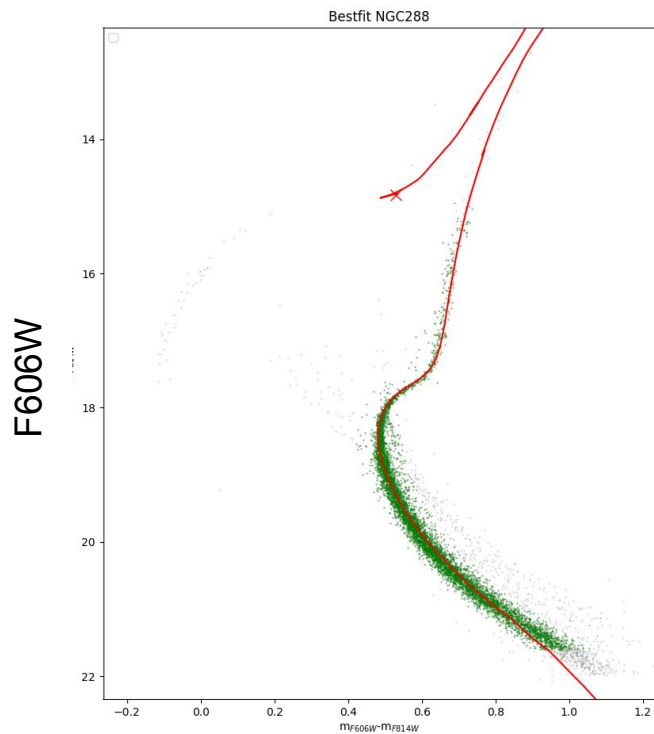
NGC1851



Results

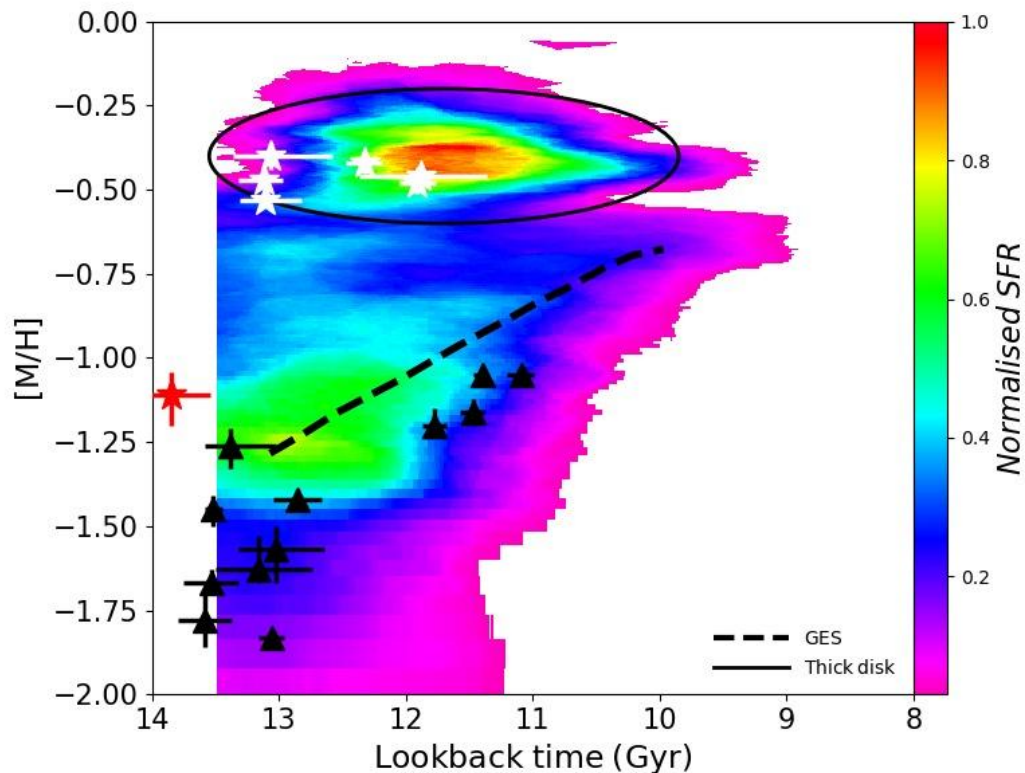
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NGC288



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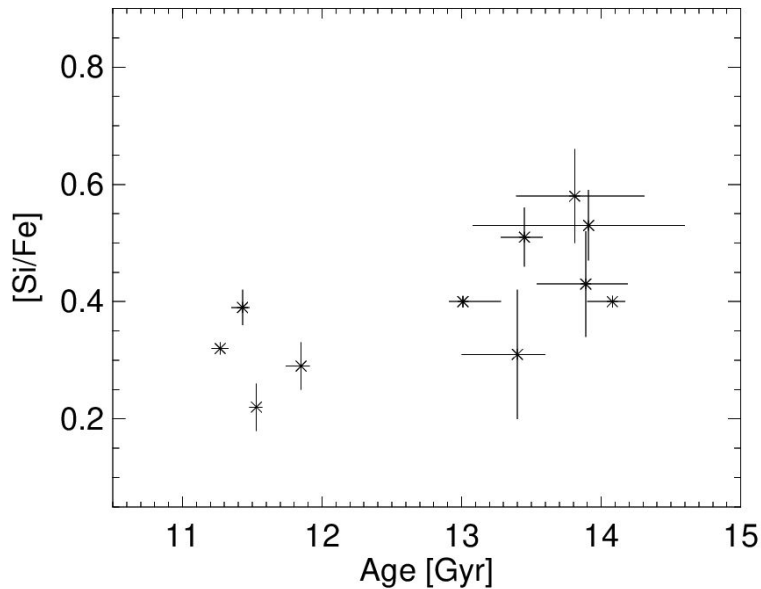
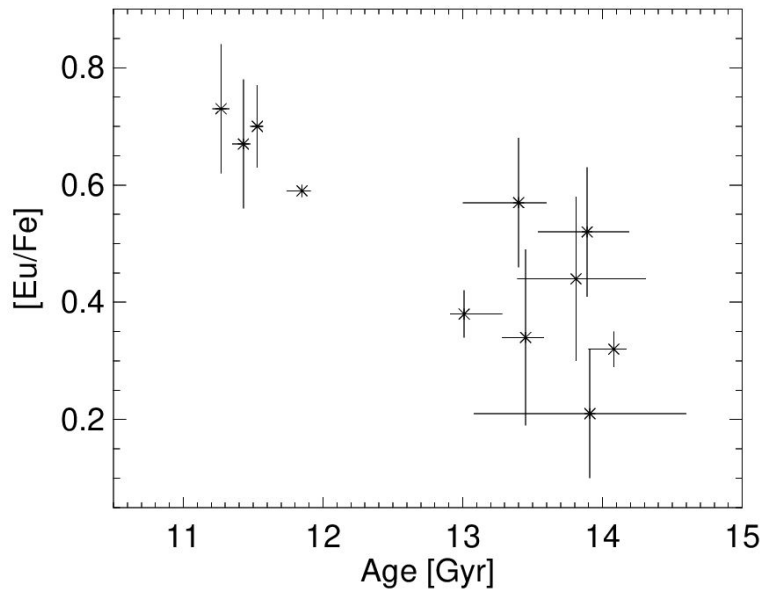
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- GES clusters follow a remarkably tight age metallicity relation
- we confirm the accreted origin of the selected clusters
- two epochs of formation?

Results

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Eu and Si from Monty+24



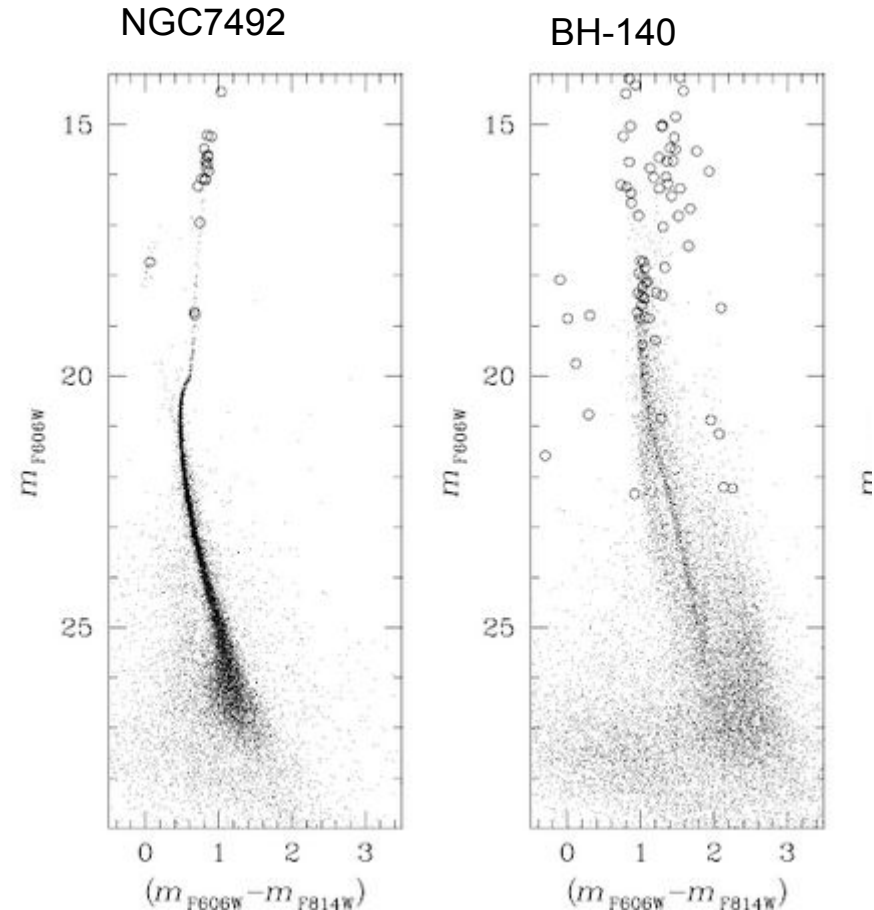
Conclusions

- ★ The **CARMA** project is deriving homogeneous, self consistent ages for all GCs
- ★ **Ages and AMR provide strong constraints to determine the GCs origin: NGC6388 and NGC6441 were formed in-situ**
- ★ GCs associated to GES follow a **very tight age-metallicity relation**, and experienced two formation epochs



Conclusions and future work

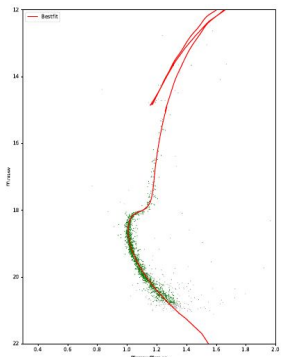
- ★ The **CARMA** project is deriving homogeneously
- ★ **Ages and AMR provide strong constraints** on the formation of NGC6388 and NGC6441 were formed
- ★ GCs associated to GES follow a **very tight** color-magnitude diagram, suggesting they experienced two formation epochs
- **HST project on neglected clusters**
PI D. Massari,
34 GCs being observed
- What can **RR Lyrae** stars add to this picture?



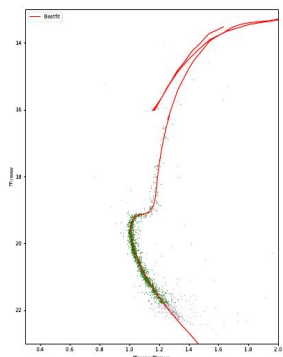


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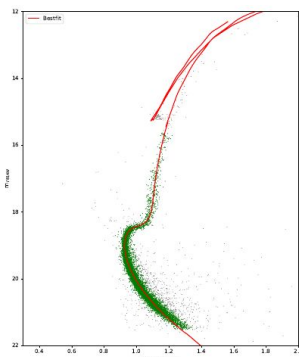
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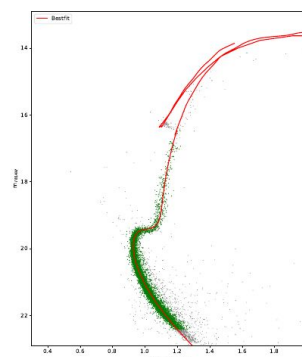
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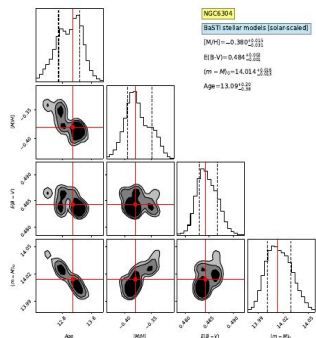
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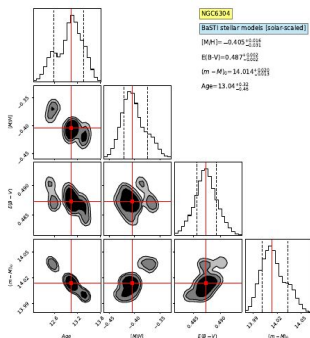
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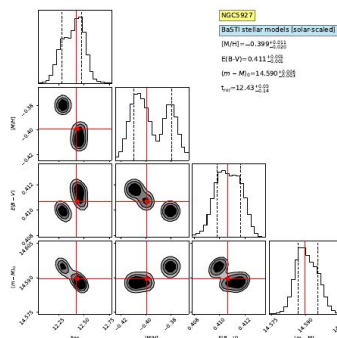
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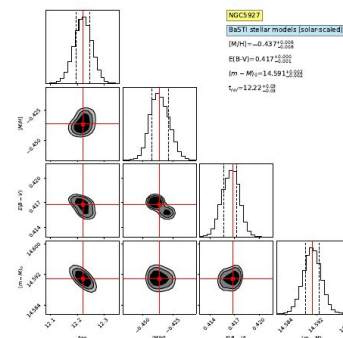
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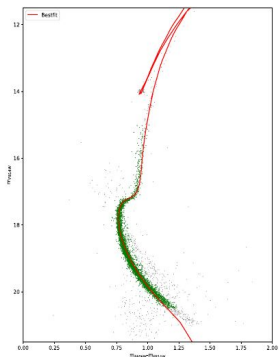
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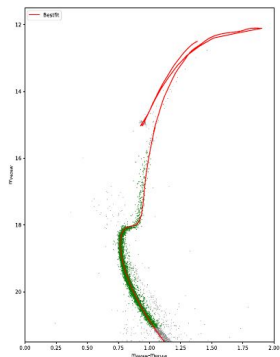
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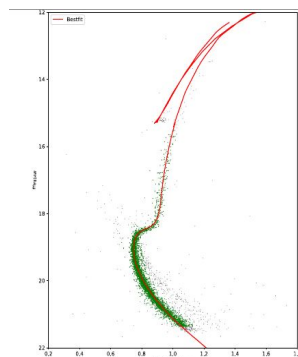
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(a) **NGC 6352**

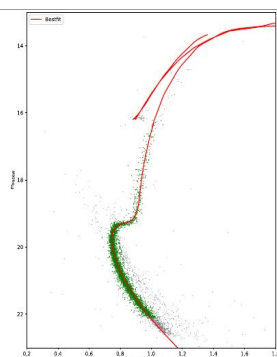


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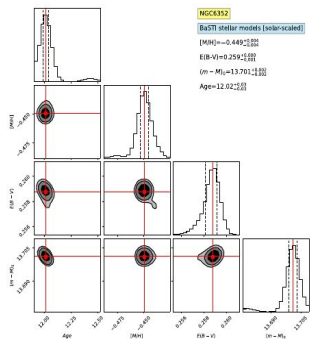


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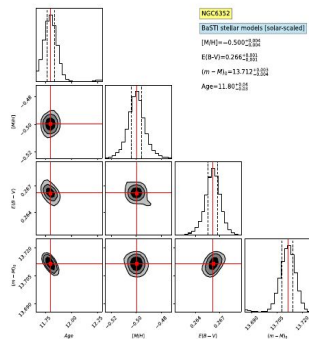
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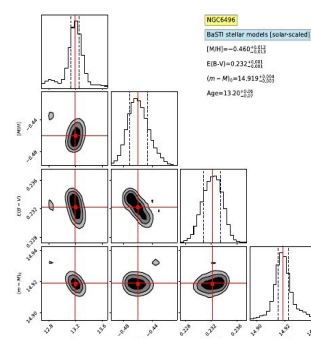
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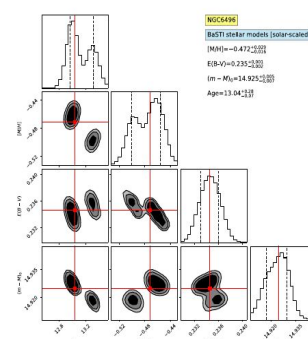
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Results

NGC6388, NGC6441

