# Stelle pulsanti: traccianti, indicatori distanza

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z=0.005, Y=0.26, 0.1

#### Why investigating Pulsating Variable stars (I)

- "easily" recognized thanks to the light variation
- periods and amplitudes are unaffected by distance and reddening



#### Why investigating Pulsating Variable stars (II)

#### Pulsating stars in the instability strip



#### LMC variables from OGLE III



Soszynski et al. 2009

### Why investigating Pulsating Variable stars (III)



#### **Trace stellar generation in different stellar systems**



**Figure 2.** *V* vs. *V* – *I* CMD of NGC 2419 from the Subaru data set, with the cluster variables plotted according to their intensity-averaged magnitudes and colors, and using different symbols for the various types of variables. Filled circles: *ab*-type RR Lyrae stars (RRab); open circles: first-overtone (RRc) RR Lyrae; pentagon: double-mode (RRd) star; open triangle: Population II Cepheid; filled squares: SX Phoenicis stars; open squares: binary systems; asterisks: long-period and semiregular variables; crosses:  $\delta$  Scuti stars; filled triangles: variable stars with non-reliable classification of type (NC).

#### Di Criscienzo et al. 2011

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Hercules UFD

Musella et al. 2012

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Greco et al. 2007

#### **Cosmic distance ladders**



The cosmic distance scale is largely based on the Classical Cepheids and RR Lyrae stars.

One or more secondary distance indicators are needed to get to cosmologically significant distances and estimates H<sub>0</sub>

### Cepheids as distance indicators



For Classical Cepheid, we ha a Period-Luminosity relation in all the bands and the dispersion decrease moving from optical to NIR bands

#### Slopes and zero-points are dependent on the host galaxy chemical composition

#### Figure 3

Composite multiwavelength period-luminosity (PL) relations (Leavitt Laws) for Galactic (*circled filled dark* yellow dots) and Large Magellanic Cloud (LMC) (open red circles) Cepheids from the optical (BVI) through the near-IR (JHK). There is a monotonic increase in the slope, coupled with a dramatic decrease in total dispersion of the PL relations as one goes to longer and longer wavelengths.

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The slope and the zero point of the relation  $M_V = a + b$  [Fe/H] can give information on the relative and absolute ages of globular clusters respectively.

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Period is a very solid parameter: if apparent magnitudes are measured and the metallicity effect is small, the application of a PL(K) gives the distance of the investigated stellar system

#### **Derivations of the PL<sub>K</sub>Z relation**

Tight  $PLZ_{K}$  relation ( $\sigma$ ~0.05 mag) but.....

 $M_{K}$ =-2.101 logP+0.231[Fe/H] – 0.77 (Bono et al. 2003)

M<sub>K</sub>=-2.353 logP+0.175logZ - 0.597 (Catelan et al. 2004)

M<sub>K</sub>=-2.38 logP+0.08[Fe/H] – 1.07 (Sollima et al. 2008)

Significant uncertainty on the coefficients and in particular on the metallicity term (!)

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To address these issues is fundamental to have a theoretical scenario

we need accurate pulsation models to reproduce and interpret the observational properties (and to calibrate the Cosmic distance scale problem)

#### Theoretical constraints to the Cepheid and RR Lyrae based estimates of the Hubble constant

Extensive sets of nonlinear convective pulsation models for variables (Cepheids, RR Lyrae, Anomalous Cepheids...) at varying chemical composition (Z and Y). (see e.g.Bono, Marconi, Stellingwerf 1999, Fiorentino et al. 2002, Marconi et al. 2003, Di Criscienzo et al. 2004, Marconi, Musella, Fiorentino 2005, Marconi et al. 2010)

Interpretation of the observed pulsation properties, theoretical calibration of the extragalactic distance scale and of its dependence on chemical composition. (see e.g. Caputo, Marconi, Musella 2000, Fiorentino et al. 2007, Bono et al. 2008, 2010,

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# Theoretical approach to the study of pulsating stars

*NON linear convective approach* (Gehmeyr et al. 1990, Bono & Stelingwerf 1994, Bono, Marconi Stellingwerf 1999, Szabo et al. 2000, 2004) allow to have

⇒ Periods, amplitudes, lightcurves, blue and red edges



## **Cepheid PL relations**



Caputo, Marconi, Musella 2000, A&A

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#### **MIDinfrared Cepheid PL relations**

The mid-infrared Cepheid PL relation will be important in the JWST (James Webb Space Telescope) era, as it holds the promise of deriving the Hubble constant at the 2% level (Freedman & Madore 2010).



→ the Spitzer's IRAC band (3.6µm,
4.5µm, 5.8µm & 8.0µm) P-L
relations were derived for Cepheids
in our Galaxy (*Marengo et al. 2010*),
in the LMC (*Freedman et al. 2008; Ngeow & Kanbur 2008; Madore et al. 2009; Ngeow et al. 2009*) and in
the SMC (*Ngeow & Kanbur 2010*).

#### **Theoretical MIDinfrared PL relations**



The dispersions of the PLs in these bands are negligible

Ngeow et al, 2012, ApJ

#### **Ultra long Period variables**

ULPs identified in nearby star forming galaxies (Bird et al. 2009) with P>80 d

- much brighter (M<sub>I</sub> from -7 to -9 mag) than
   'short period' Cepheids
- \* HST is able to observe them up to 100 Mpc
- Metal poor: NGC 6822(Pietrzynski et al. 2004),
   NGC 55 (Pietrzynski et al. 2006), NGC 300
   (Gieren et al. 2004), IZw18 (Fiorentino et al. 2010)
- Metal rich: NGC 1309- NGC 3370- NG3021 (Riess et al. 2009), M81 (Gerke et al. 2011), NGC4852 (7), Antenna (11), N5584 (8) (Riess et al. 2011)



they should represent "best standard candles" to extend the cosmic distance ladder to the 100 Mpc and beyond and GAIA will give direct calibration of LMC ULPs with parallaxes at µarcsec accuracy

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The new metal-dependent WESENHEIT relations for RR Lyrae: model predictions and applications to observations

B,B-V Wesenheit is **not** sensitive to metallicity !!!





The case of M4



Braga et al. 2015 ApJ

 $\rightarrow$  distances to globulars hosting RRLs with a precision better than 2%-3%.

The case of Carina



Coppola et al. 2015 ApJ

# Metallicity effects on the Cepheid extragalactic distance scale

 $\mu_0(KP) = KP$  distance modulus adopting LMC slope

 $\mu_0(Z)$  = distance modulus adopting the theoretical slope corresponding to the host galaxy



Marconi, Musella & Fiorentino, 2005

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Qualitatively in agreement with the results based on spectroscopic [Fe/H] measurements of Galactic Cepheids

# **Riess Cepheid sample**

Macri et al. 2006, Riess et al. 2009a,b, Riess et al. 2011



- ACS and WFC3-IR camera (Riess 2011) on board HST Cepheid in 8 SNIa hosting galaxies.
- The zero point anchored to NGC4258 (Z=0.02, d=7.2±0.5 Mpc, Maser geometrical distance)



#### Model fitting of light, radial, velocity curves



(Natale, Marconi, Bono 2008 ApJL)

#### The model fitting of OGLE-LMC-CEP0227

Pietrzyński et al. (2010) → first accurate determination of the dynamical mass of a classical Cepheid in a well-detached, double-lined, eclipsing binary in the LMC (OGLE-LMC-CEP0227).

High-quality photometric data set + spectroscopic follow-up + near-perfect system

Cepheid mass of the pulsator to an unprecedented 1% precision.

Physical Parameter Mass (M/M $_{\odot}$ ) Radius (R/R $_{\odot}$ ) Teff(K) Primary (A) 4.14 ± 0.05 32.4 ± 1.5 5900 ± 250 Secondary (B) 4.14 ± 0.07 44.9 ± 1.5 5080 ± 270

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#### Interesting application for GAIA

#### Perspective for Cepheids with E-ELT





#### Fix the metallicity issue

ELT high resolution MOS → spectroscopic characterization (abundances) of large extragalactic Cepheid samples → metallicity effect on the PL outside the MW

#### Reaching COMA in one step:

E-ELT CAM (MICADO)  $\rightarrow$  even in crowded fields, opportunity to observe Classical Cepheids in the Coma Cluster, and in turn the *opportunity to* estimate the Hubble constant only using primary distance indicators!!



## **E-ELT CAM: MICADO**

#### Plus SCAO + MAO+MCAO



Broadband imaging sensitivity of MICADO as a function of integration time

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Presence of RR Lyrae stars in both elliptical & spiral galaxies

Junique opportunity to check of the accuracy of type Ia Supernovae as secondary distance indicators and to constrain quantitatively the dependence of the peak luminosity of SN Ia on the host galaxy



# But E-ELT will not perform time-series observations



Need for specific techniques to use empirical and or theoretical templates, to reconstruct the light curves for both Cepheids and RR Lyrae





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GAIA IMAGE OF THE WEEK (May 28, 2015)

SHORT PERIOD/FAINT CEPHEIDS IN THE LMC OBSERVED BY GAIA



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GAIA IMAGE OF THE WEEK (March 5, 2015)

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- ★ Opportunity to perform theory versus observations for all variable classes
- ★ To set slope and zero point of the Cepheid PL in the MW
- ★ To set the dependence on the metallicty of the RR Lyrae PLK and Mv [Fe/H] relation
- ★ LMC ULPs parallaxes allow us to calibrate the first step of the extragalactic distance scale
- ★ From the fitting of the light curves, known distance and metallicity, we derive an accurate and independent stellar mass estimate → ML → test of the evolutionary models.





 Time coverage, 5 mag deeper than GAIA → observation of variable stars also in Local Group and external galaxies





#### 30 Dor and Gaia fields: Cepheid analysis comparison

VMC survey: Ripepi et al. 2012



Working in progress to use RR Lyrae and their PLK

#### **Classical Cepheids**

Classical Cepheids ha a relevant role for the extragalactic distance scale and stellar evolution



Wesenheit relations



Marconi et al. 2015 ApJ

## **Recent evaluation of Ho**

- \* Cepheids + TRGB: 63.7±2.3<sub>ran</sub>±3.6<sub>sys</sub> Km s<sup>-1</sup>Mpc<sup>-1</sup> (Tammann et al. 2013)
- **\* TRGB:** 73 ± 5 Km s<sup>-1</sup> Mpc<sup>-1</sup> (Mould & Sakai 2008)
- \* WMAP+SDSS+SNIa(5 years): 65.6± 2.5 Km s<sup>-1</sup> Mpc<sup>-1</sup> (Reid et al.2010)
- **\* WMAP(5/7years): 70.4±1.4 Km s<sup>-1</sup> Mpc<sup>-1</sup> (Komatsu et al. 2010)**
- \* Cepheids + SNIa: 73.8 ± 2.4 Km s<sup>-1</sup> Mpc<sup>-1</sup> (Riess et al. 2011)
- Cepheids + secondary indicators: 74.3 ± 2.1 Km s<sup>-1</sup> Mpc<sup>-1</sup> (Freedman et al. 2012)
- \* Cepheids + models: 76.0  $\pm$  2.0<sub>ran</sub>  $\pm$ 1.0<sub>sys</sub> Km s<sup>-1</sup> Mpc<sup>-1</sup>