

# The 3D structure of the Magellanic Clouds traced by Classical Cepheids

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Classical Cepheids are primary distance indicators

- Period Luminosity relation bi-dimensional projection of Period-Luminosity-Color relation
- intrinsic dispersion due to the finite width in temperature of the Instability Strip





The dispersion on Period-Luminosity relations due to the finite width in temperature of the Instability Strip is lower

The amount of extinction in the NIR is much lower than in the optical bands  $(Av \sim I0 Ak)$ 

The Wesenheit magnitudes are reddening free by construction (Madore+1982)

$$W(\lambda_2, \lambda_1) = m_{\lambda_1} - \left[\frac{A(\lambda_1)}{E(m_{\lambda_2} - m_{\lambda_1})}\right] \times (m_{\lambda_2} - m_{\lambda_1})$$

NIR Period-Wesenheit relations :

- minimally affected by uncertinity on the reddening law
- lower intrinsic dispersion

—The amplitude decreases for increasing wavelength

Cepheids in the <u>LMC</u>

~ 90 (JHK)+170 VMC (YJK,FU) Complete coverage of light curves in the JHKs bands (published data):

(Persson+2004, Ripepi+2012)

~1700 2MASS, IRSF/SIRIUS single epoch observations LMC





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$$\phi_{obs}^V = \mod\left(\frac{JD_{obs}^V - JD_{max}^V}{P}\right)$$

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- optical-NIR amplitude ratios for different bins of metallicity

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- Error budget

Template: 0.015 mag (J) -- 0.019 mag (K)

$$\sigma_{TOT} = \sqrt{\sigma_{ph}^2 + \sigma_{tmp}^2 + \sigma_{ID}^2}$$





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– Largest sample ever collected in the NIR bands:

10 PW relations to estimate relative distances for ~ 7000 Cepheids

<u>Cepheid relative</u> <u>distances to 1% precision</u>







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Preliminary!

# VIMOS spectra



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New NIR templates

Mean magnitude estimates **80(J)%-70(K)%** more accurate than single epochs. **50%(J)-30 (K)%** more accurate than previous templates.

PW relation total dispersion reduced up to 30% (PWVJ) compared to single epoch. observations and up to 5% compared to previous templates (Soszynski+2005)

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Kinematics of the MCs

- Radial Velocities with a few km/s precision
- New radial velocity curves templates to estimate
- Cepheid Y-velocities



### Cepheids

- NIR photometry & LR spectroscopy
- Light curve & Radial velocity curve Templates

characterization of the spatial distribution, kinematics and chemical composition of young stellar populations

#### V. Summary

### # RASPUTIN # Resolved And unresolved Stellar PopUlaTioNs





The goal of the workshop is to gather the communities involved in resolved and unresolved stellar populations and to

share observations, models, techniques and recent results.

#### ESO Garching, 13-17 October, 2014

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- # Scientific topics
- Star formation in the nearby Universe
- Galactic stellar populations
- Stellar populations in early type galaxies
- Stellar populations in the Local Universe.
- Formation and evolution of dwarf galaxies
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### Cepheids in the MCs

- Precise absolute and relative distances: NIR PW relations+ NIR templates
- Geometry and 3D structure
  - Kinematics: radial velocity from LR spectra + light curve templates
- Chemical tagging
- Pioneering approach to the E-ELT era

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