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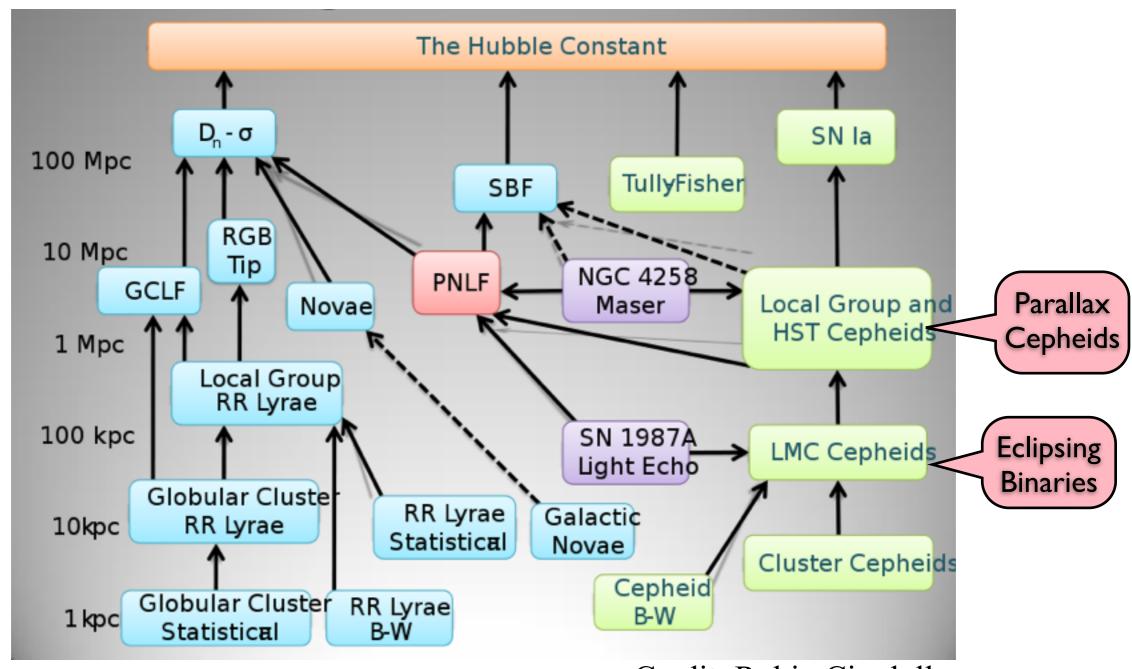
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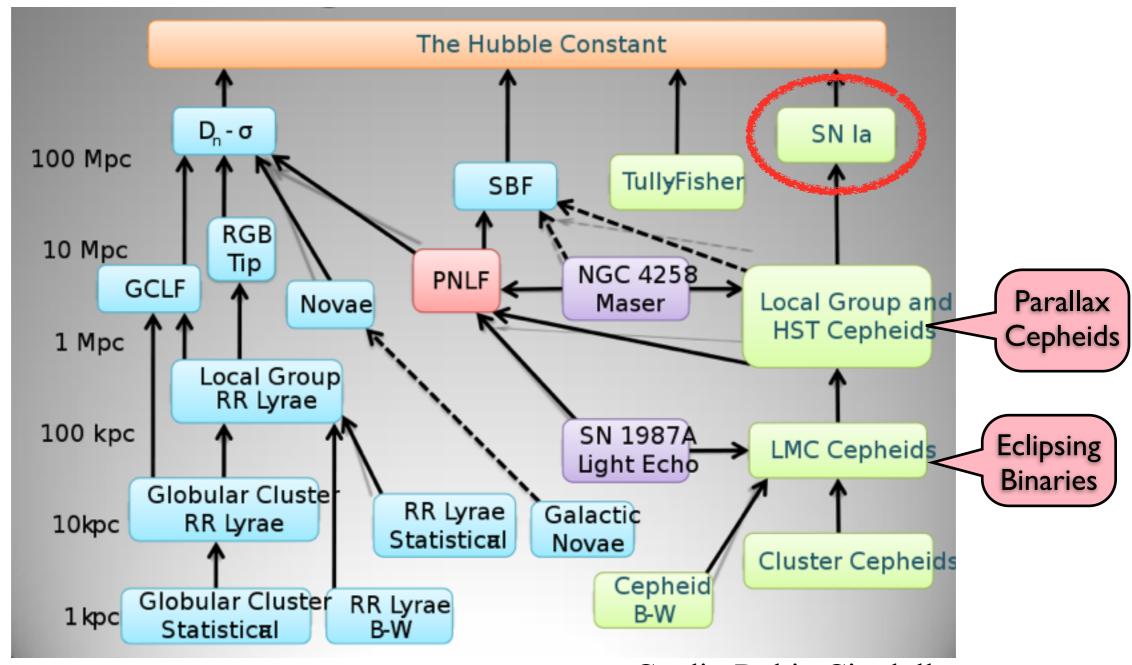
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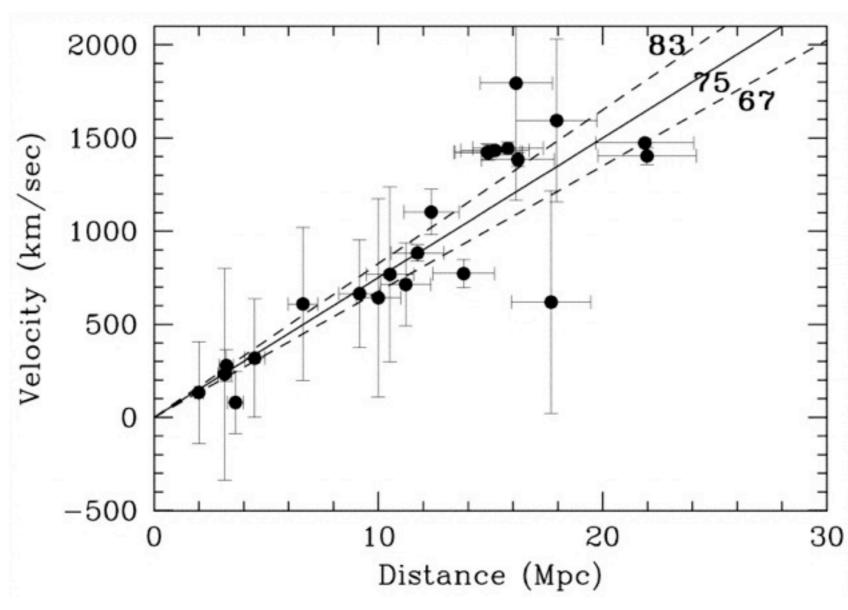
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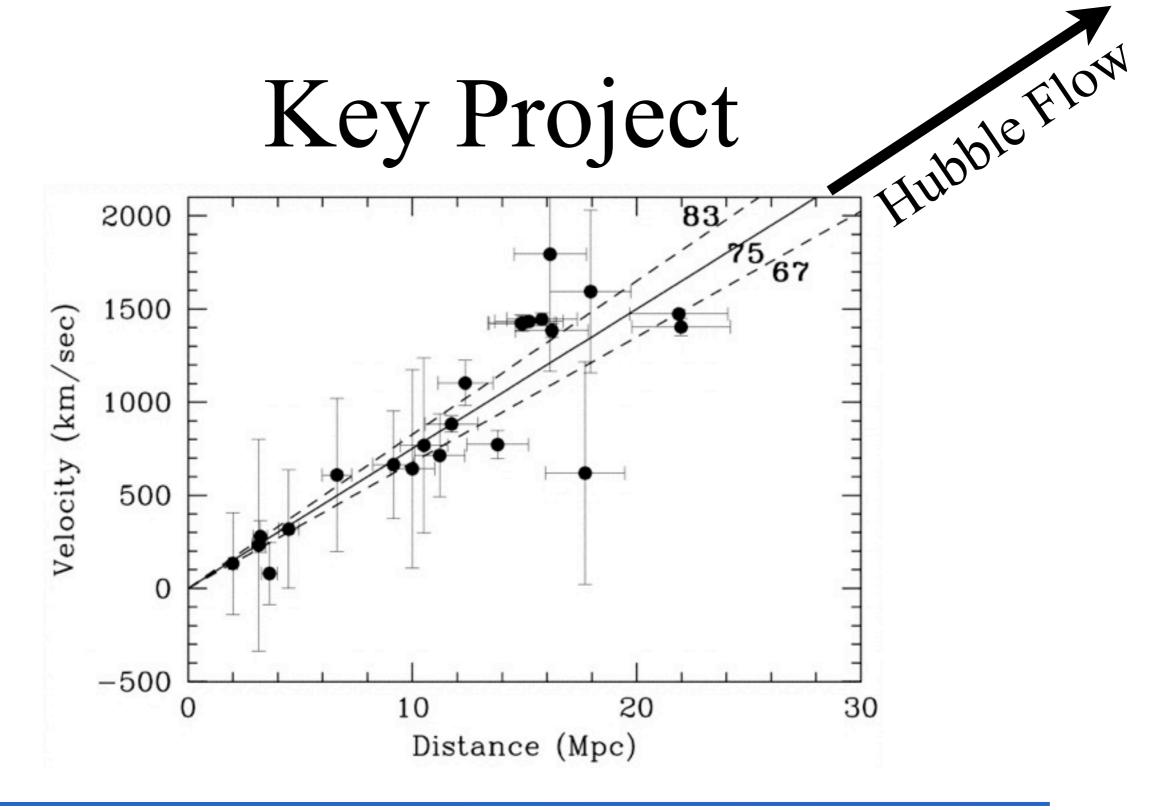
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## Key Project

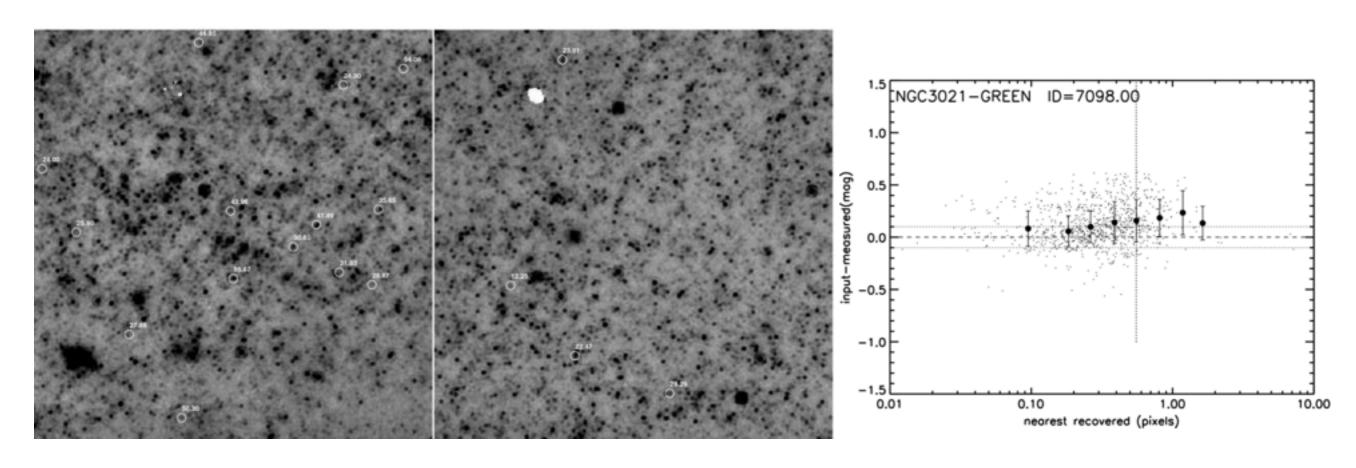








## Cepheid photometry is hard



Riess et al. (2009)



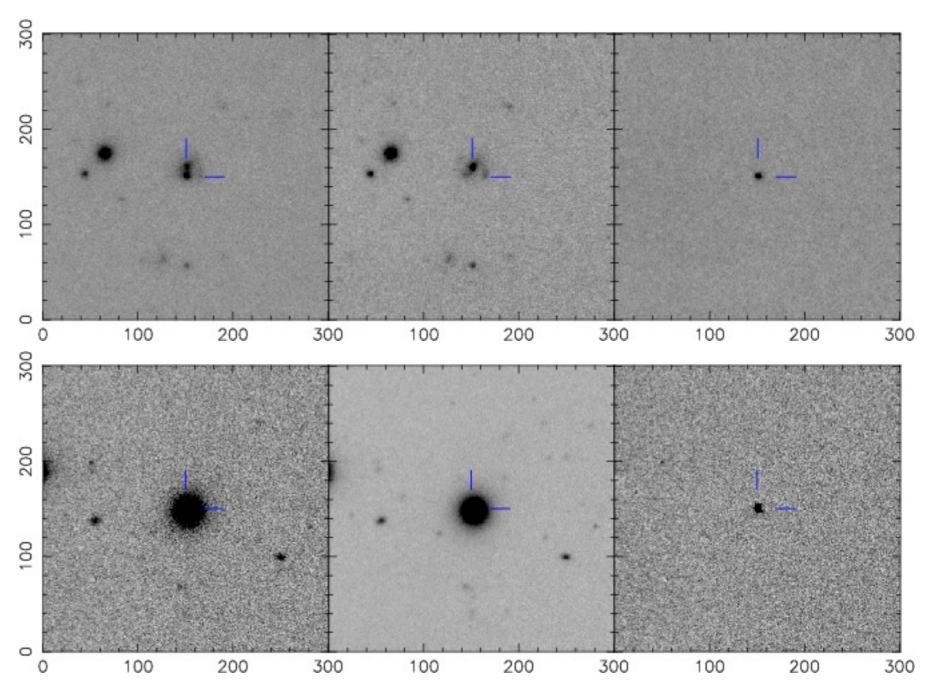
## SN Photometry is Easy(er)

SNe can get you farther:

- Higher Luminosity
- Transient
- Photometry is much cleaner.

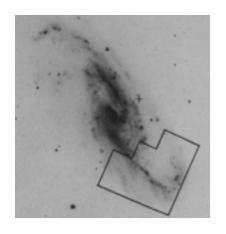
#### But:

- Rarer
- No direct distances to SNIa
- Must calibrate with Cepheids





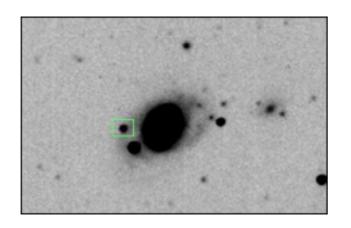
## Galaxies with Ia's and Cepheids



SN1981B (NGC 4536)



SN1998aq (NGC 3982)



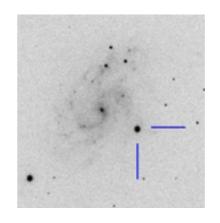
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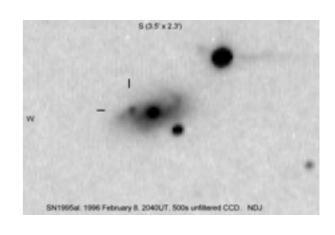
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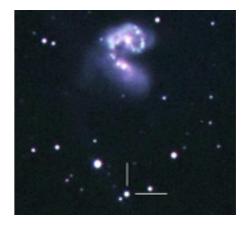
SN1994ae (NGC 3370)



SN2007af (NGC 5584)

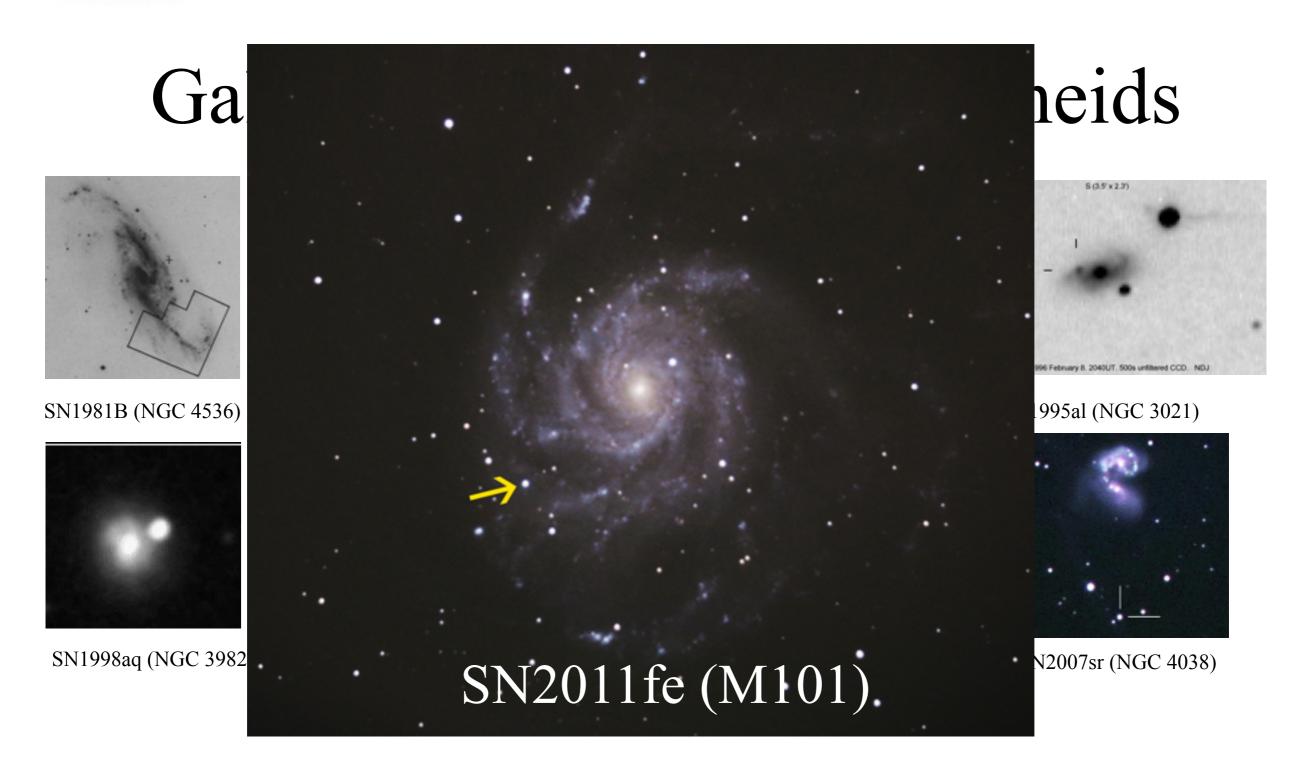


SN1995al (NGC 3021)



SN2007sr (NGC 4038)



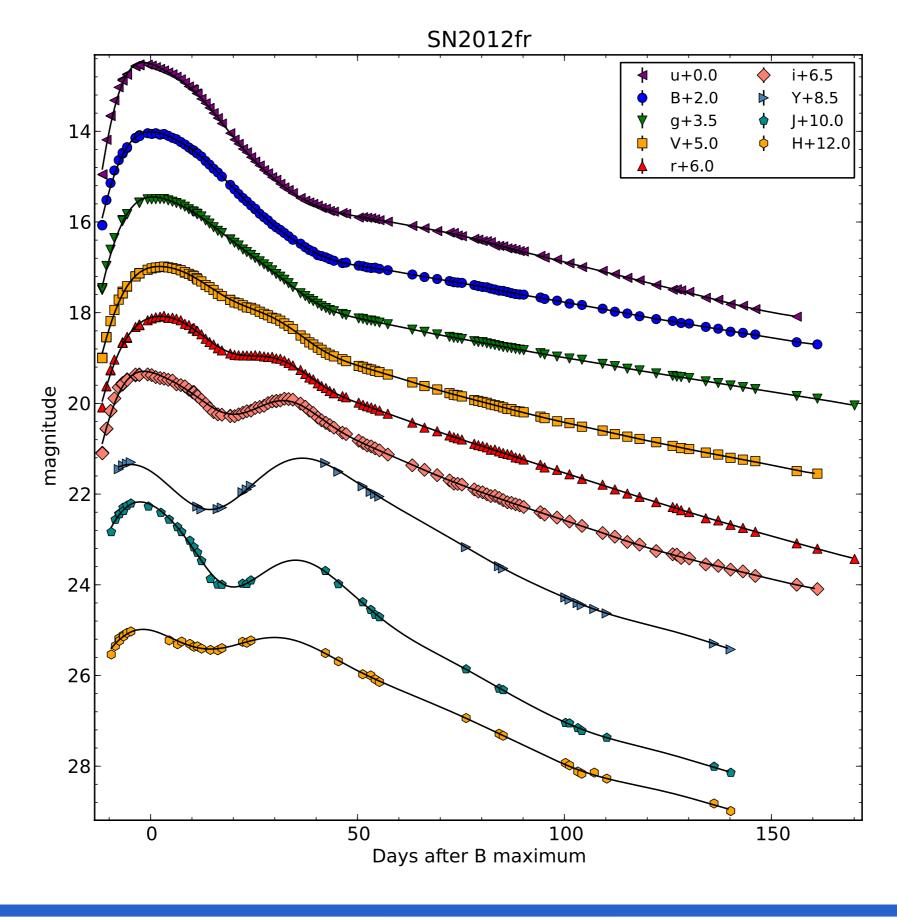




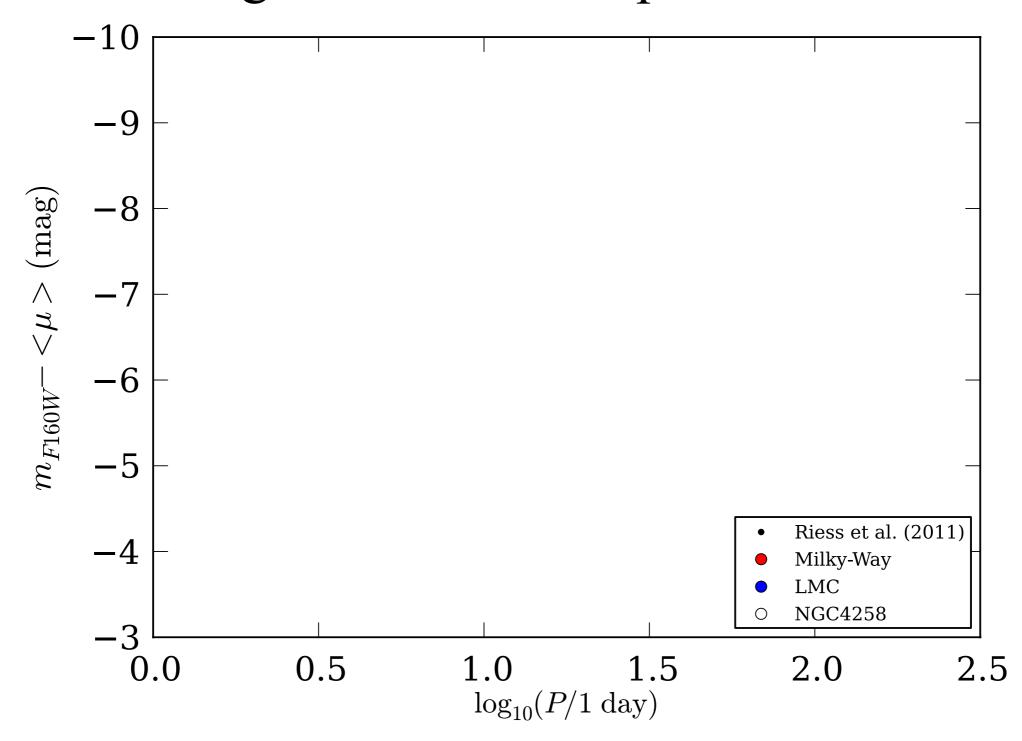
## Soon: SN2012fr!



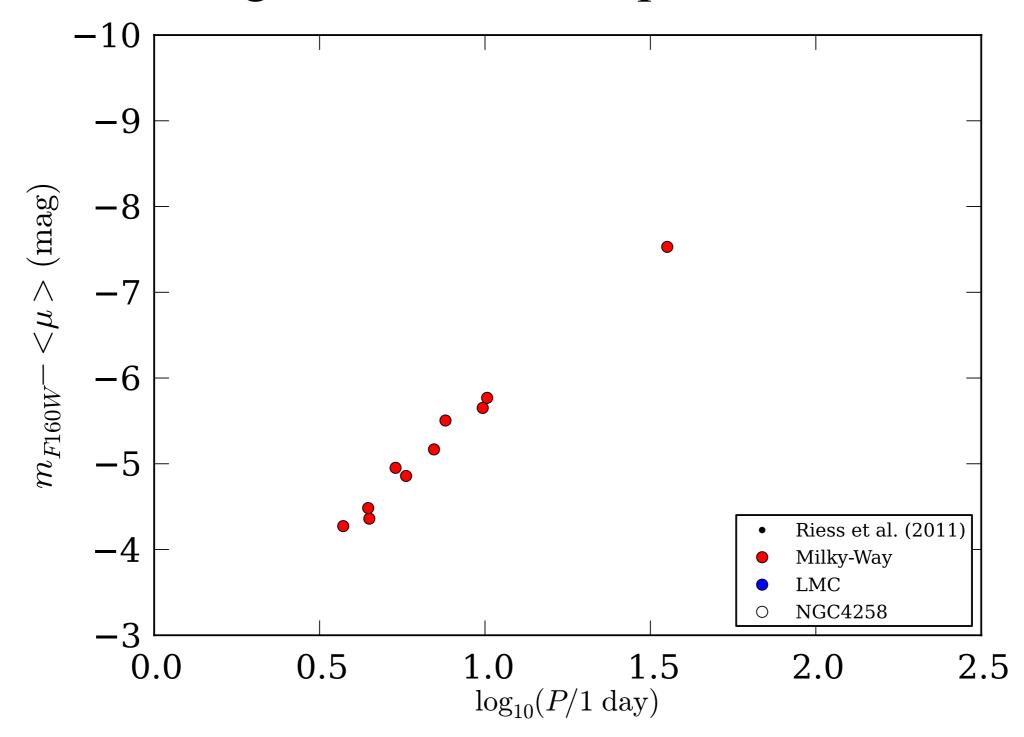




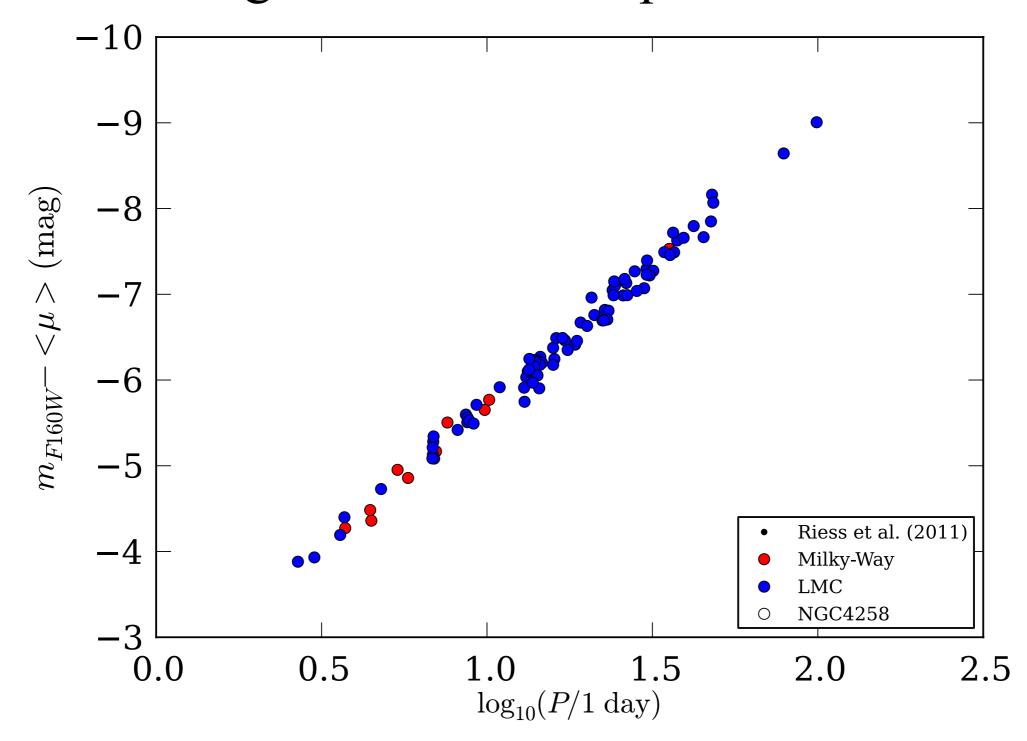




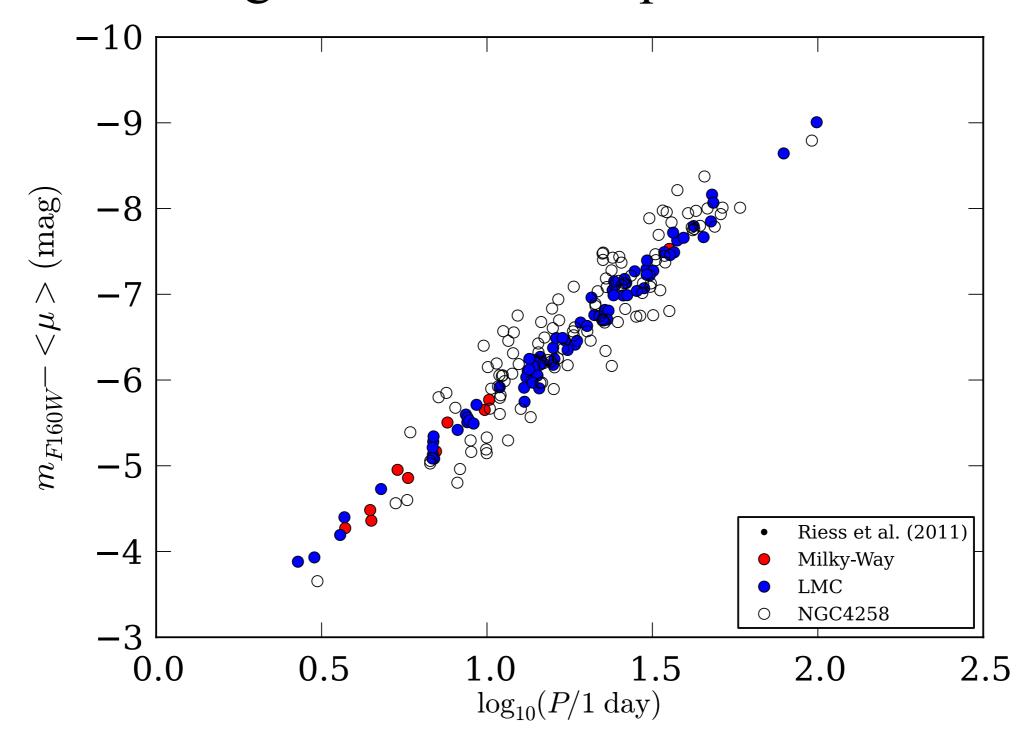




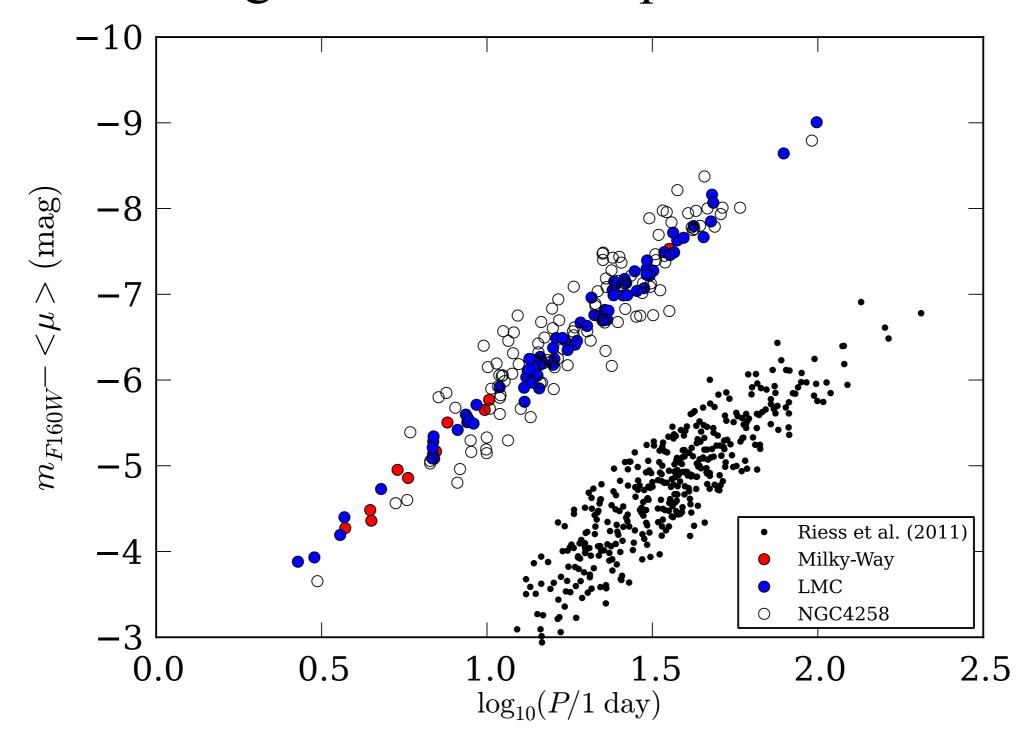




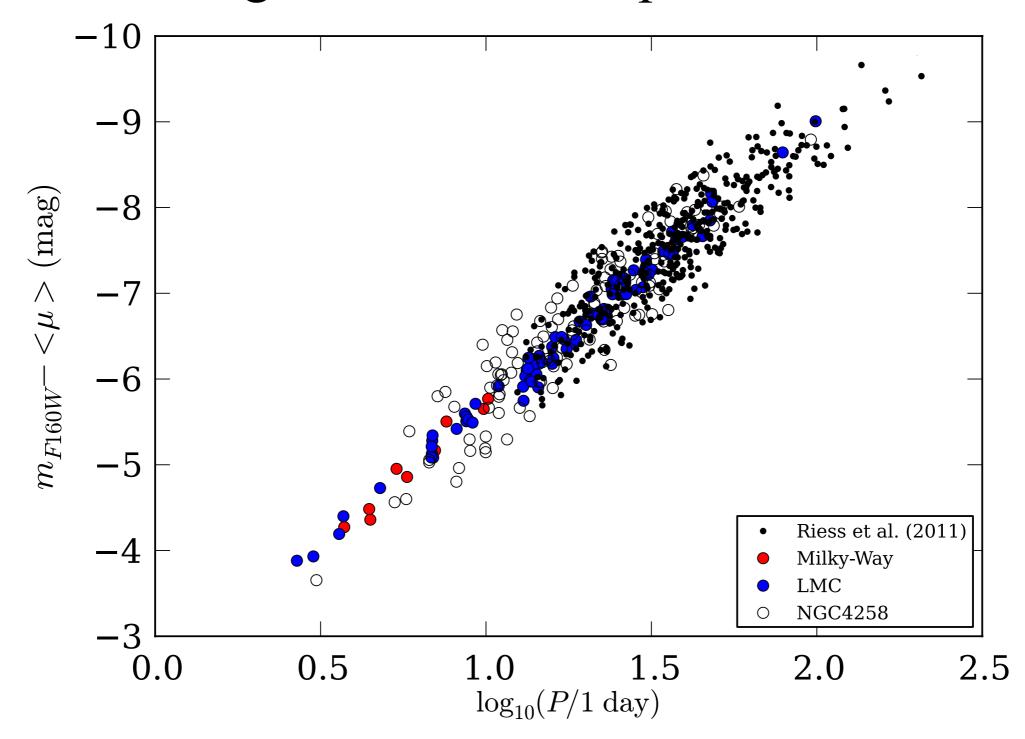




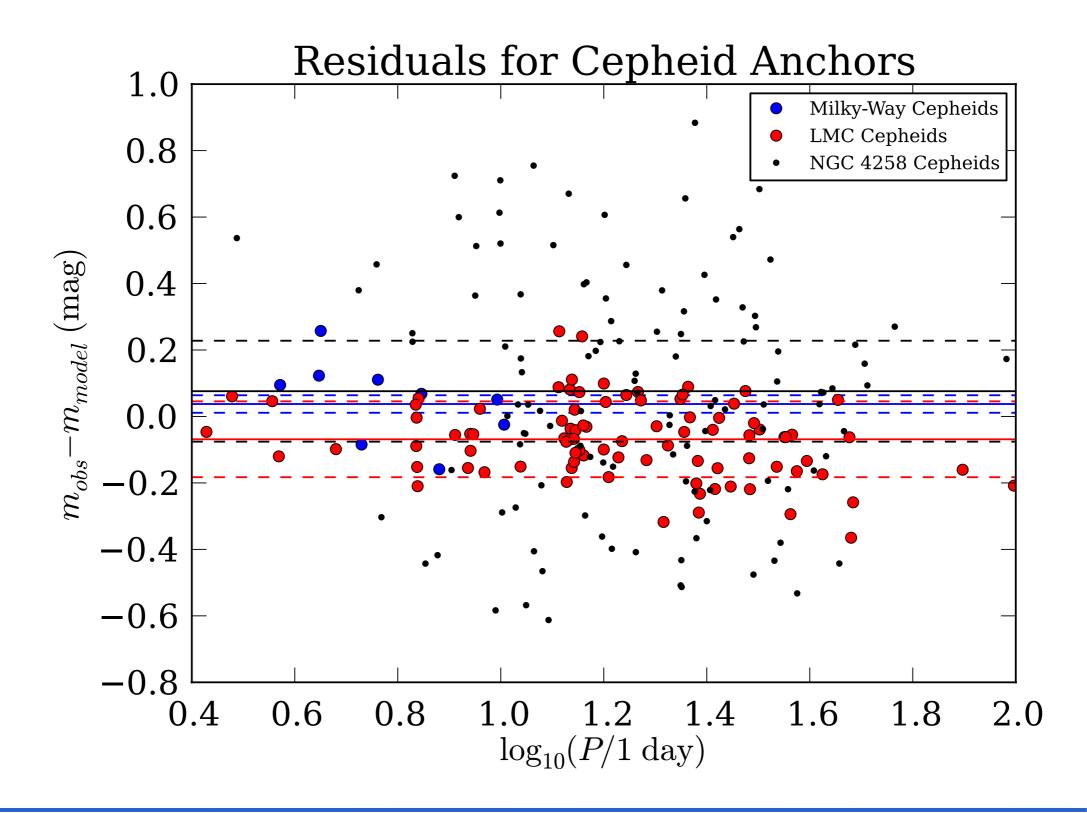






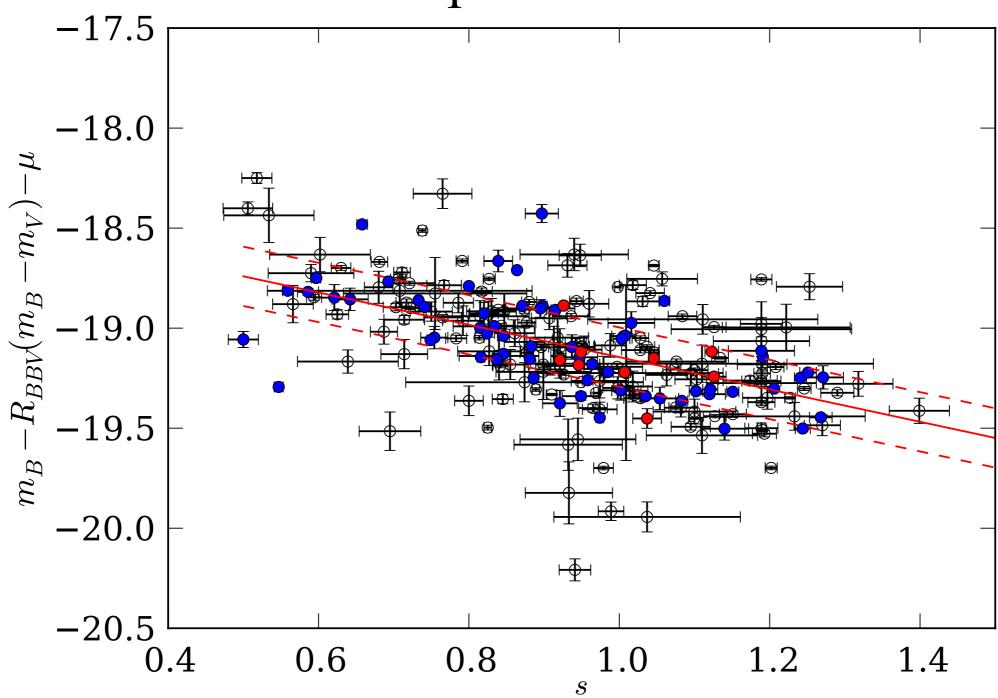






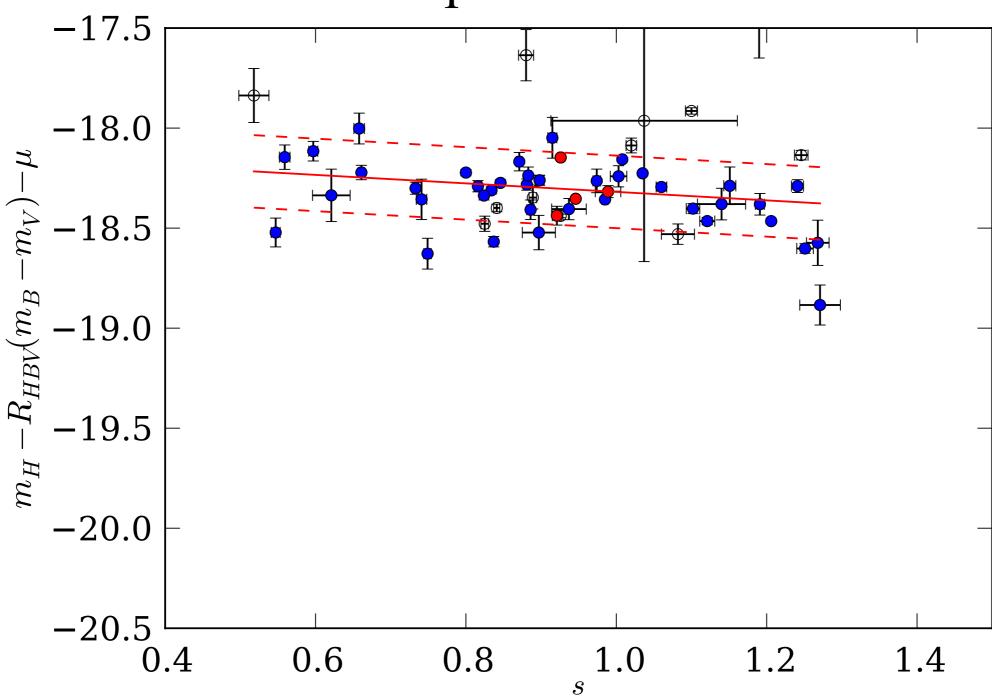


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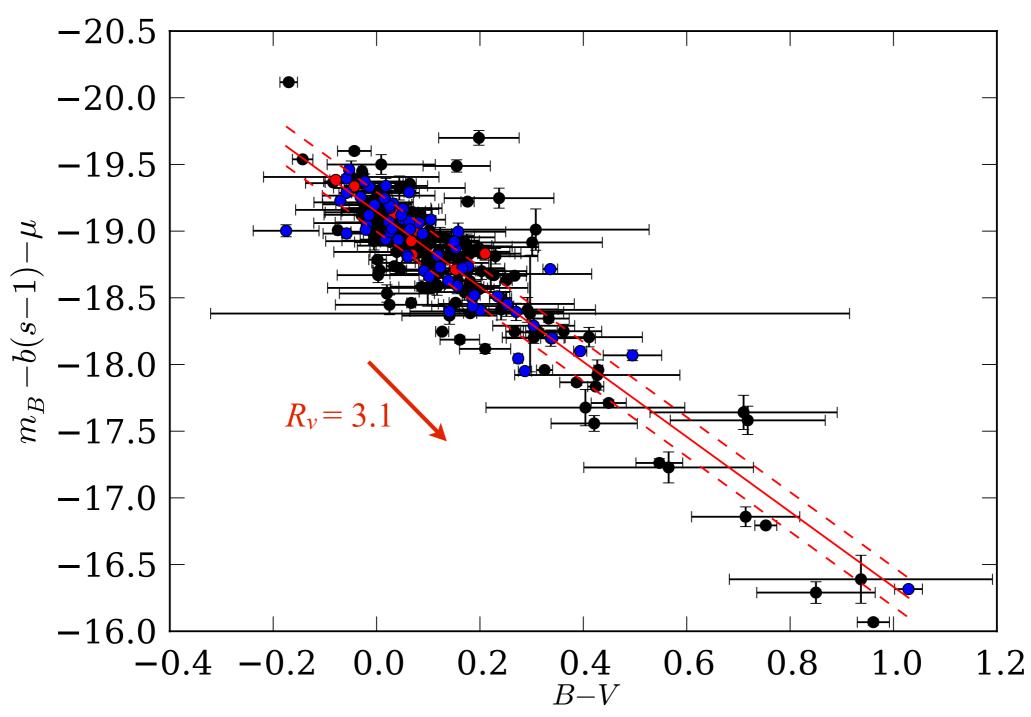


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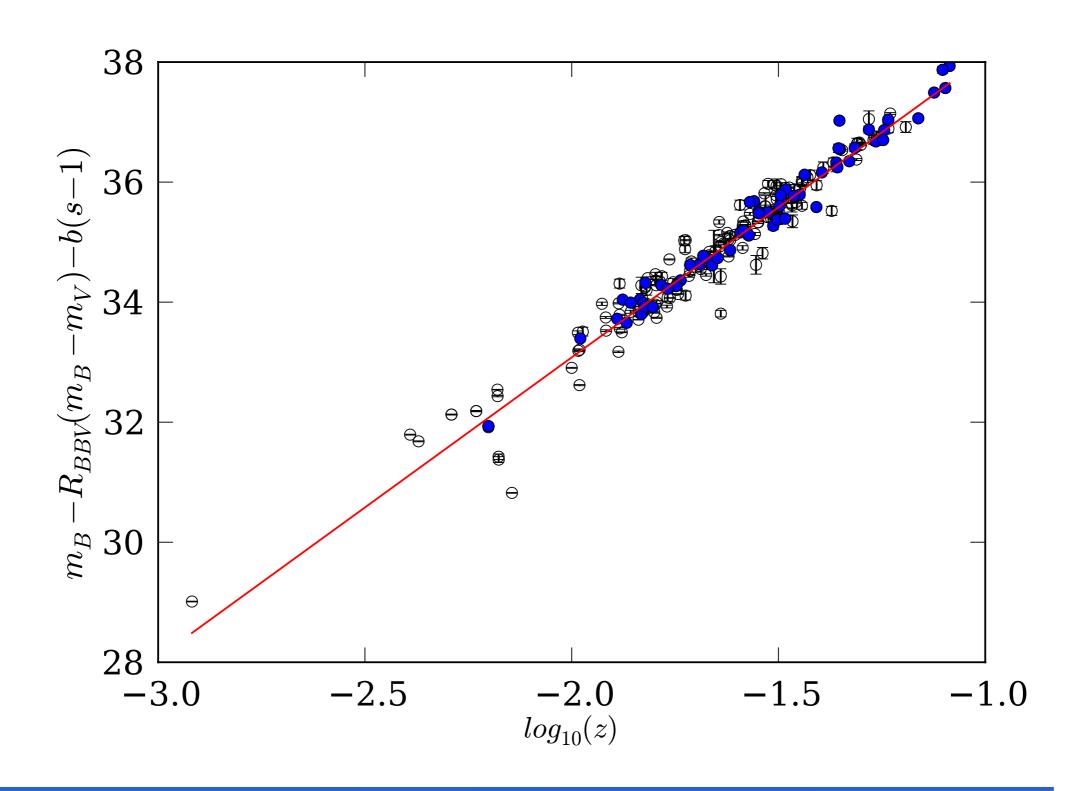




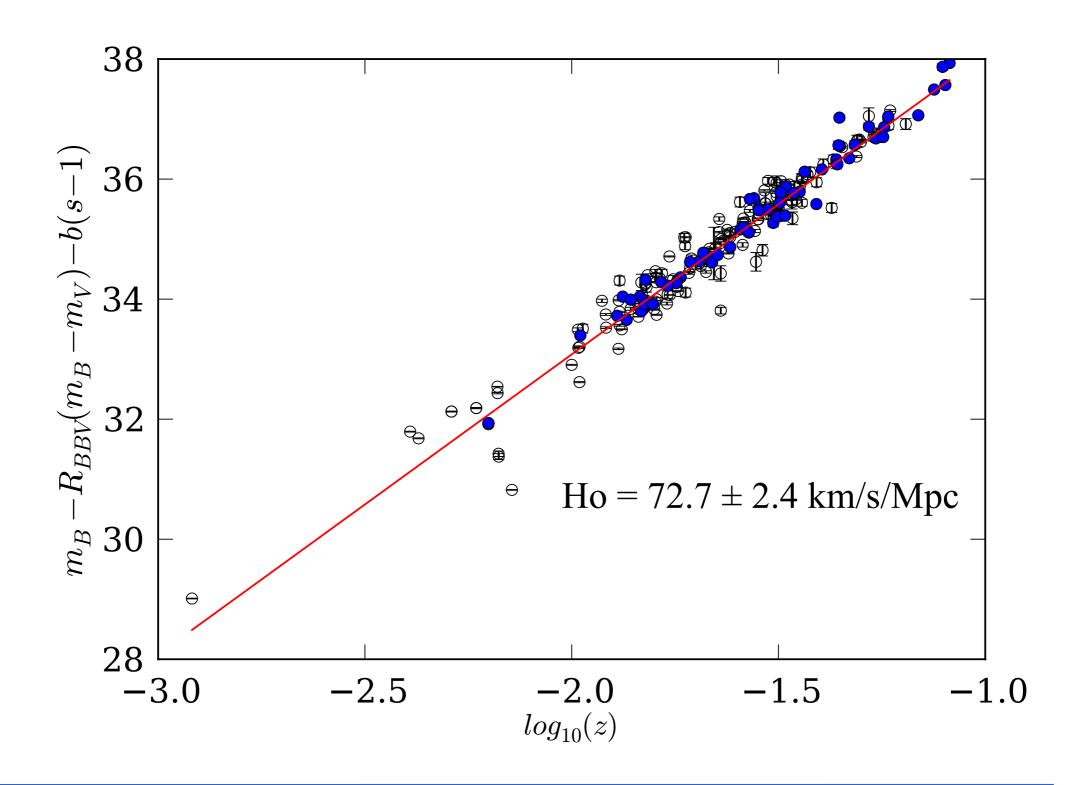
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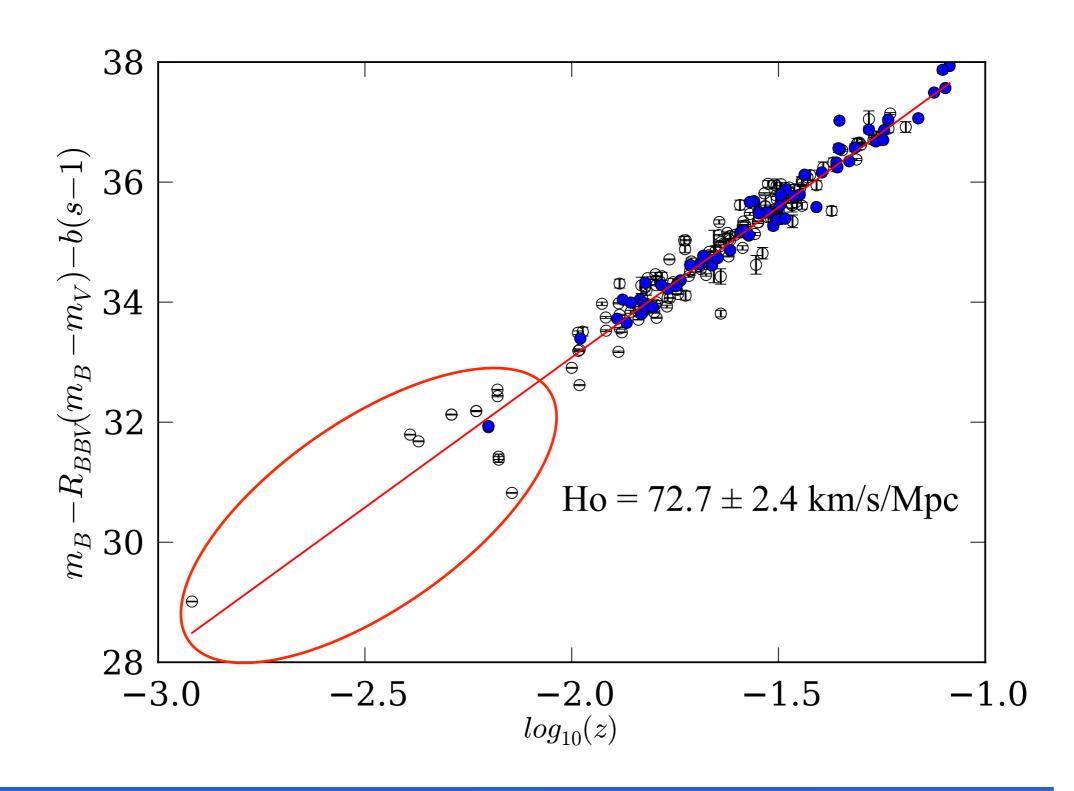




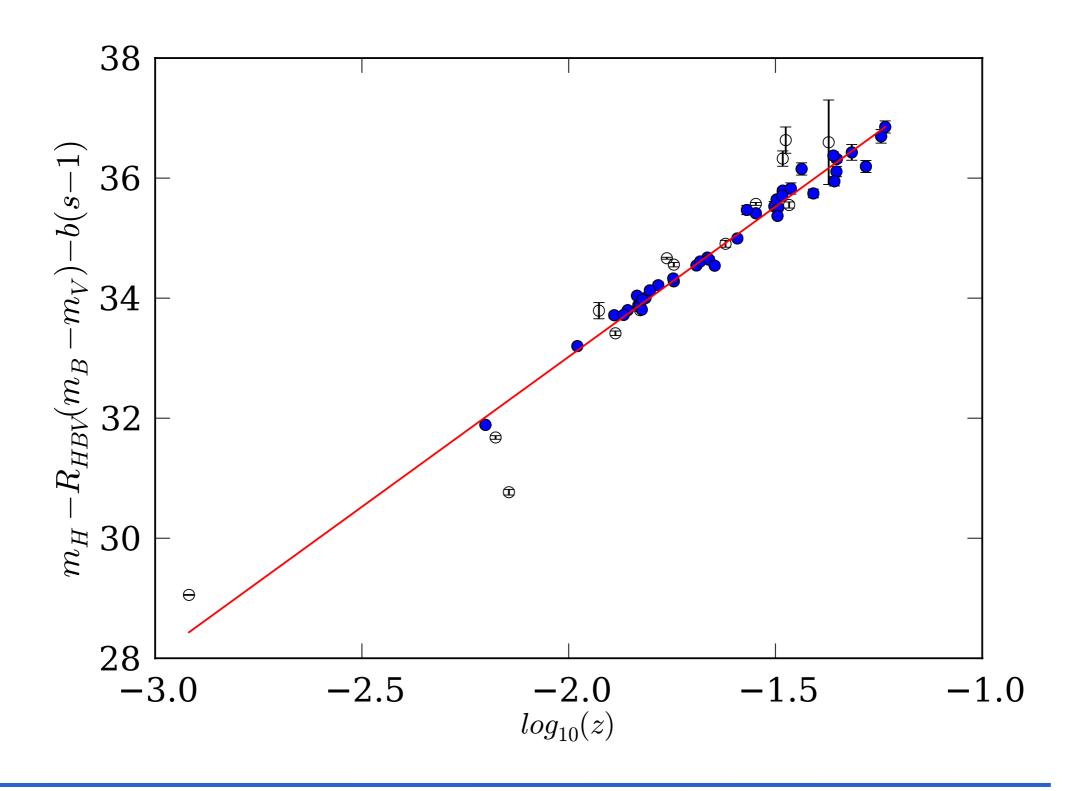




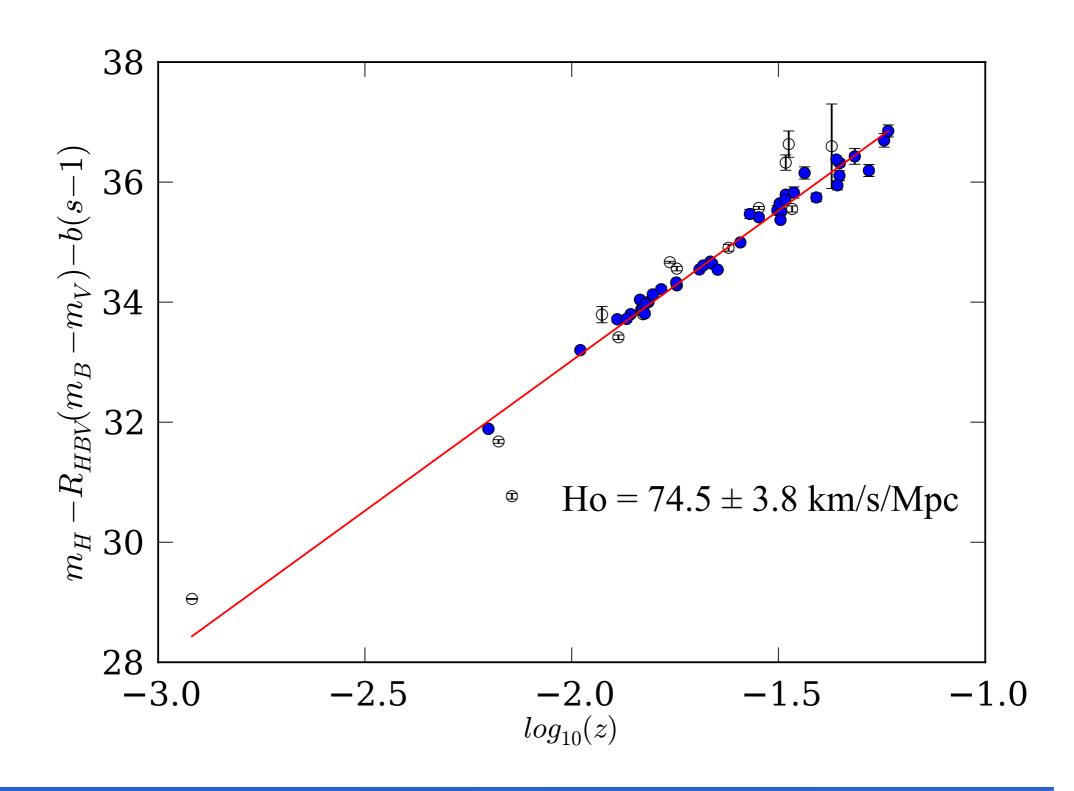




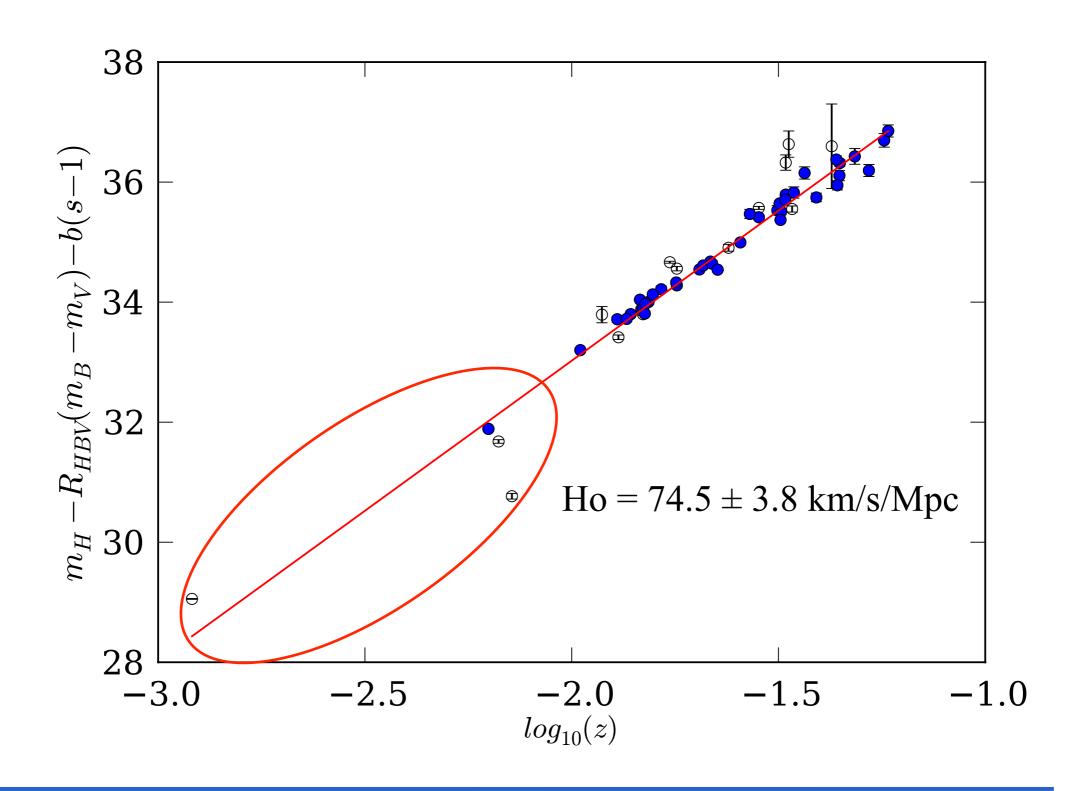




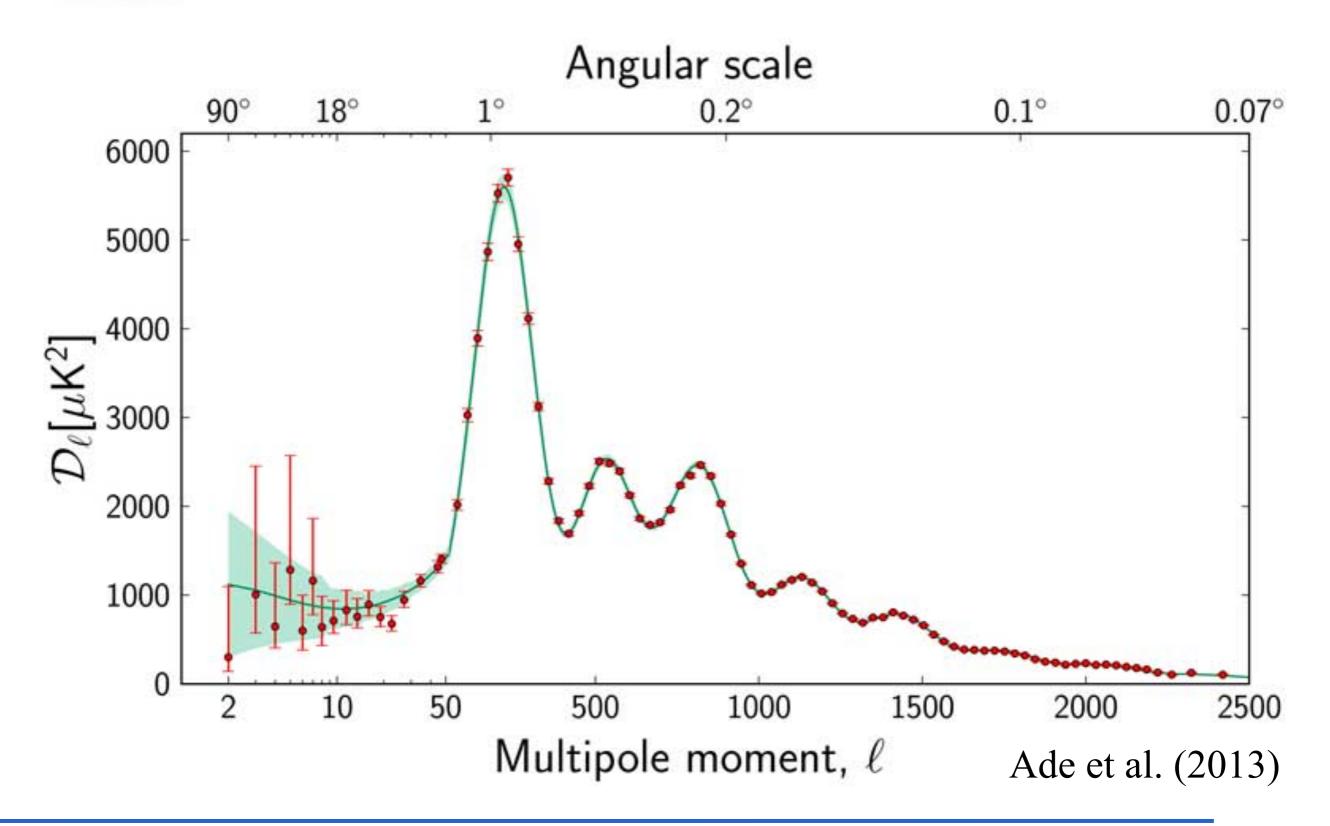




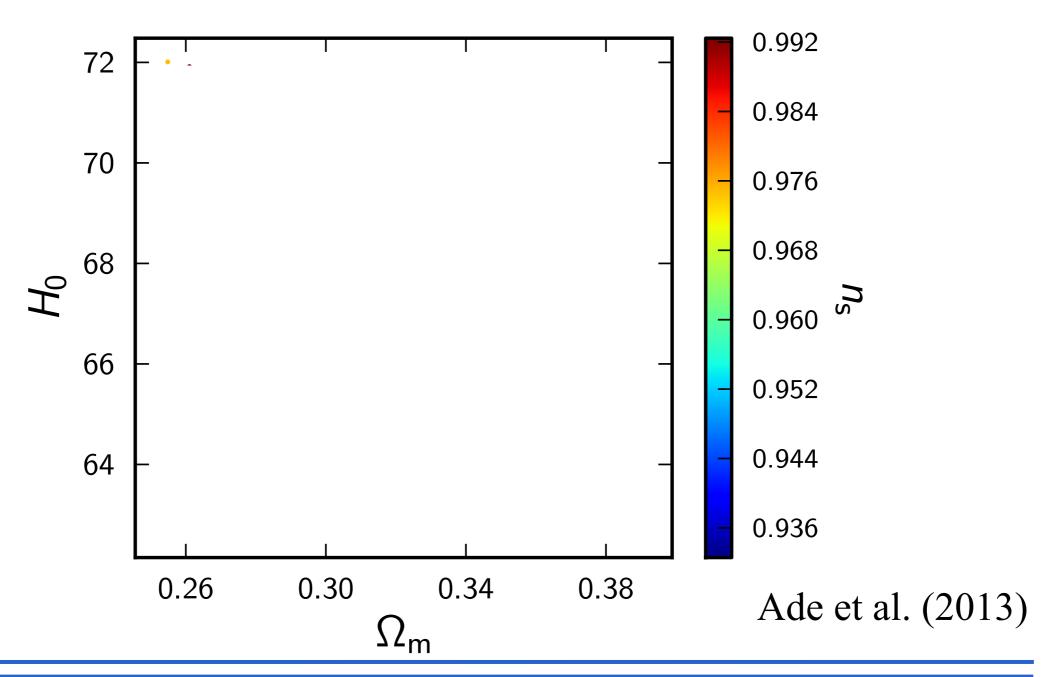




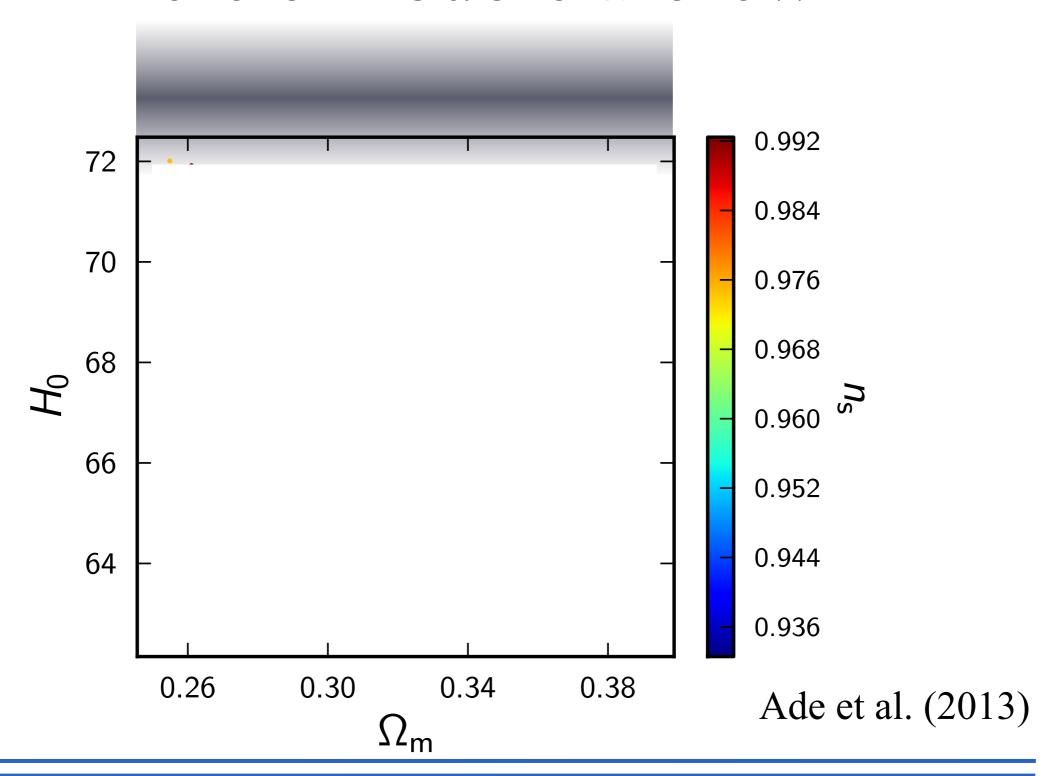




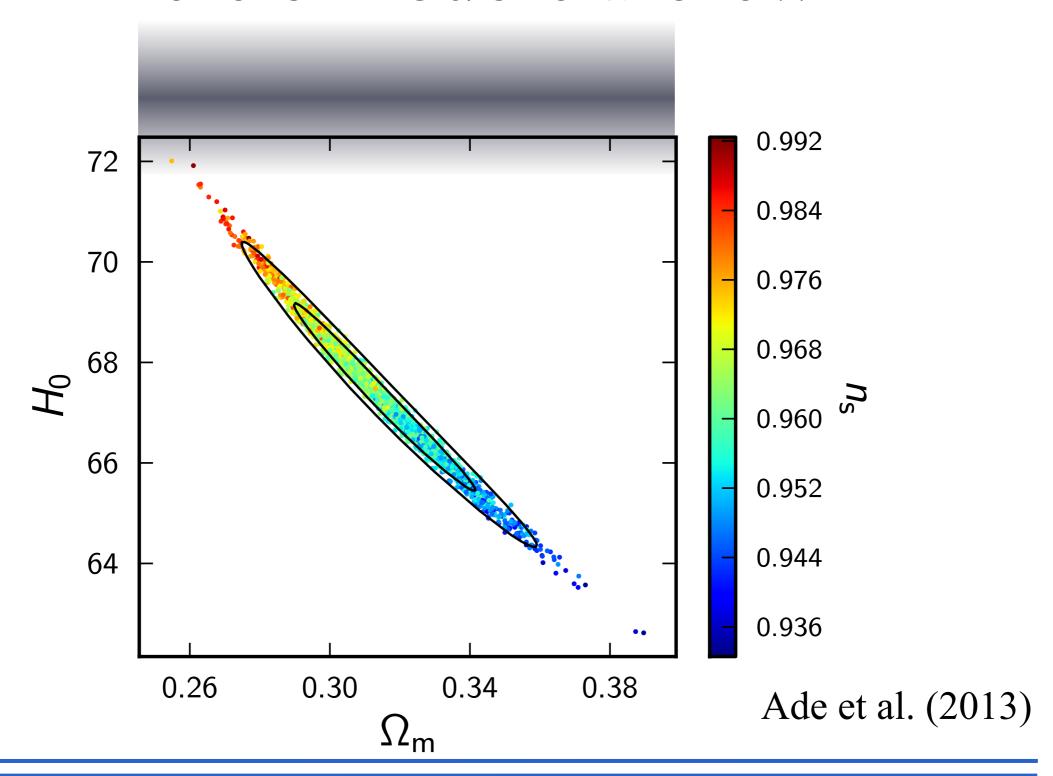




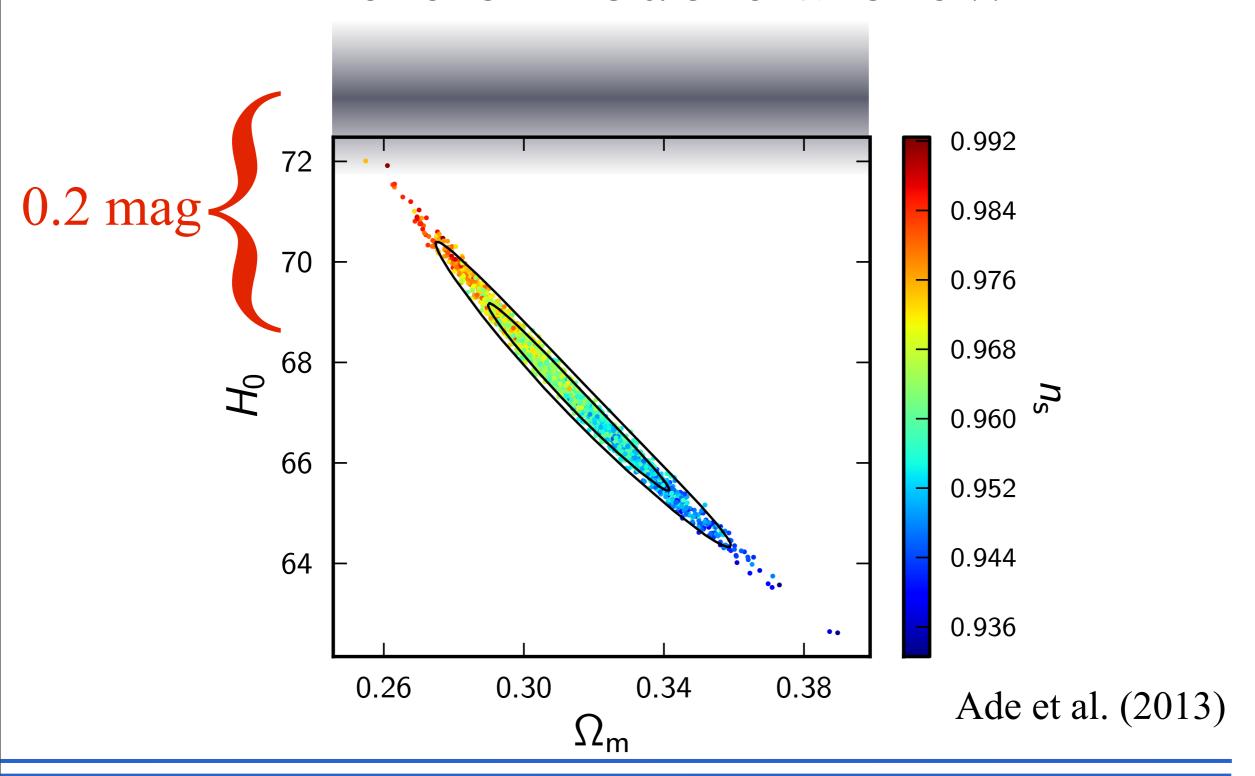




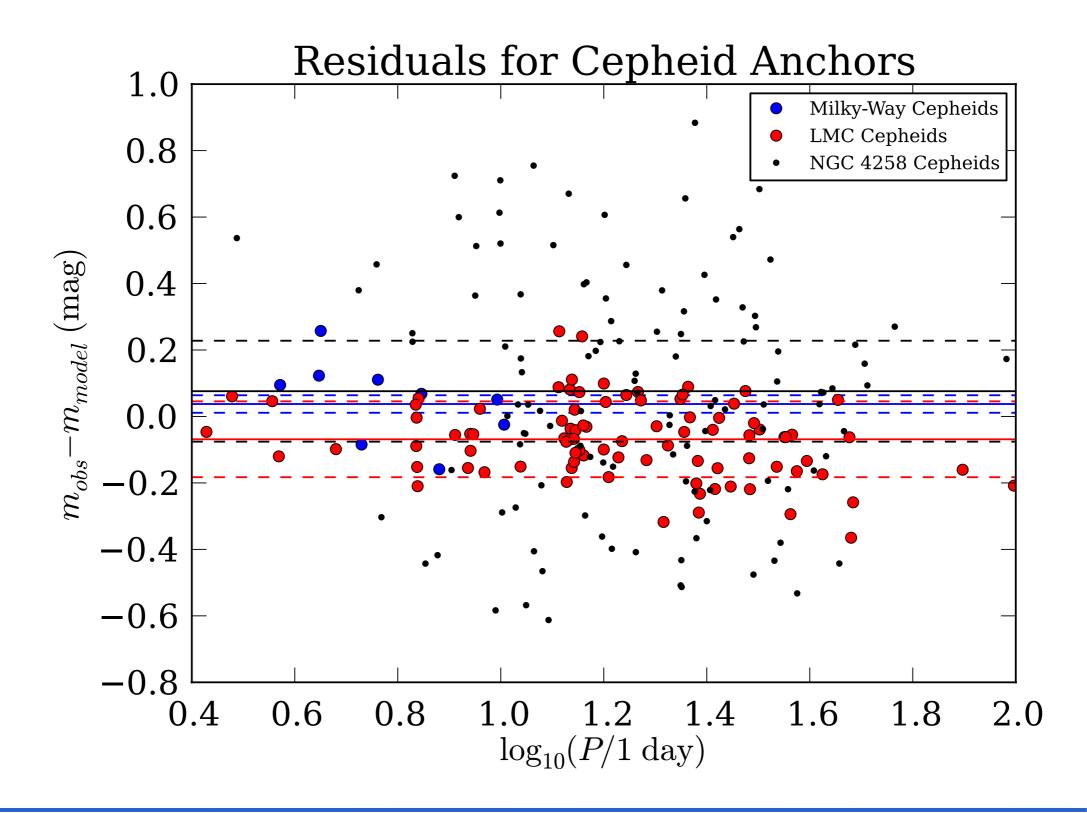






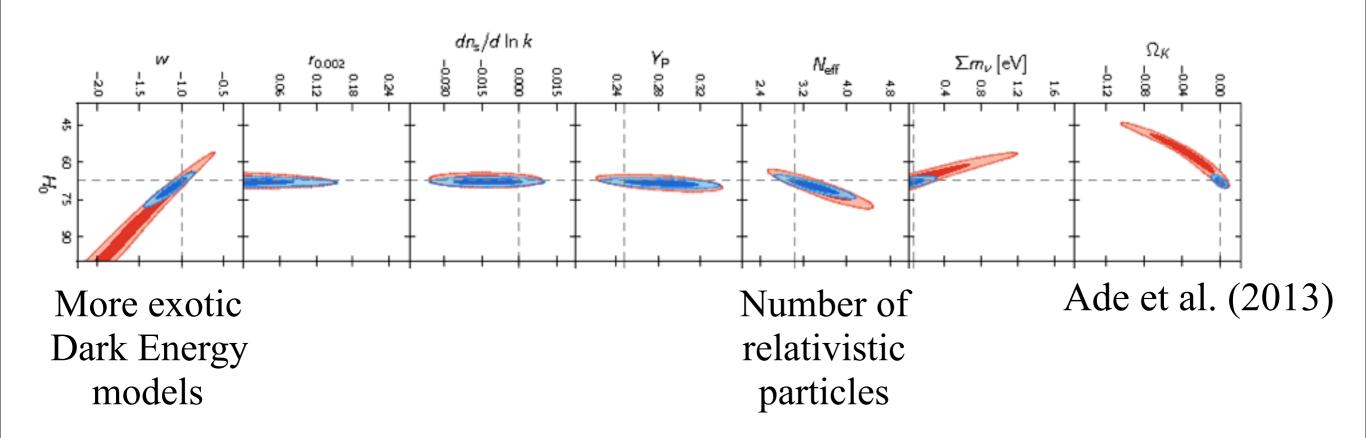






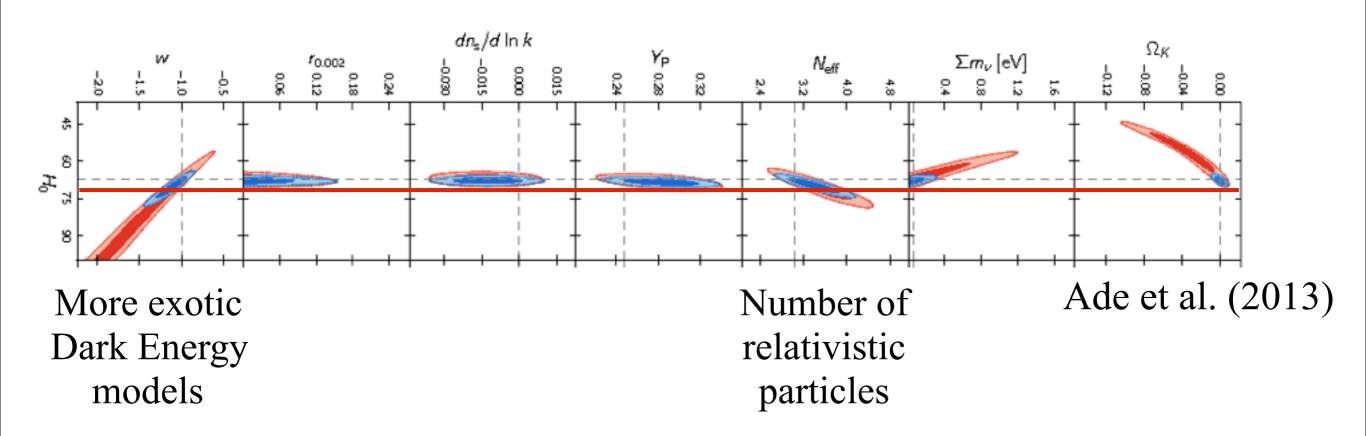


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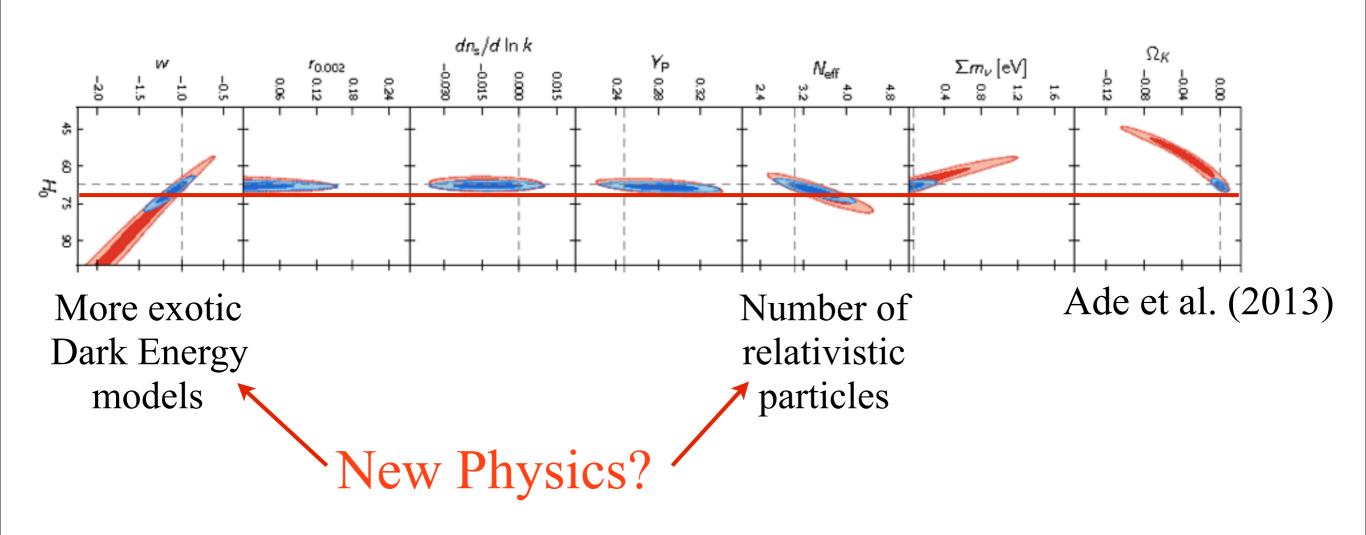


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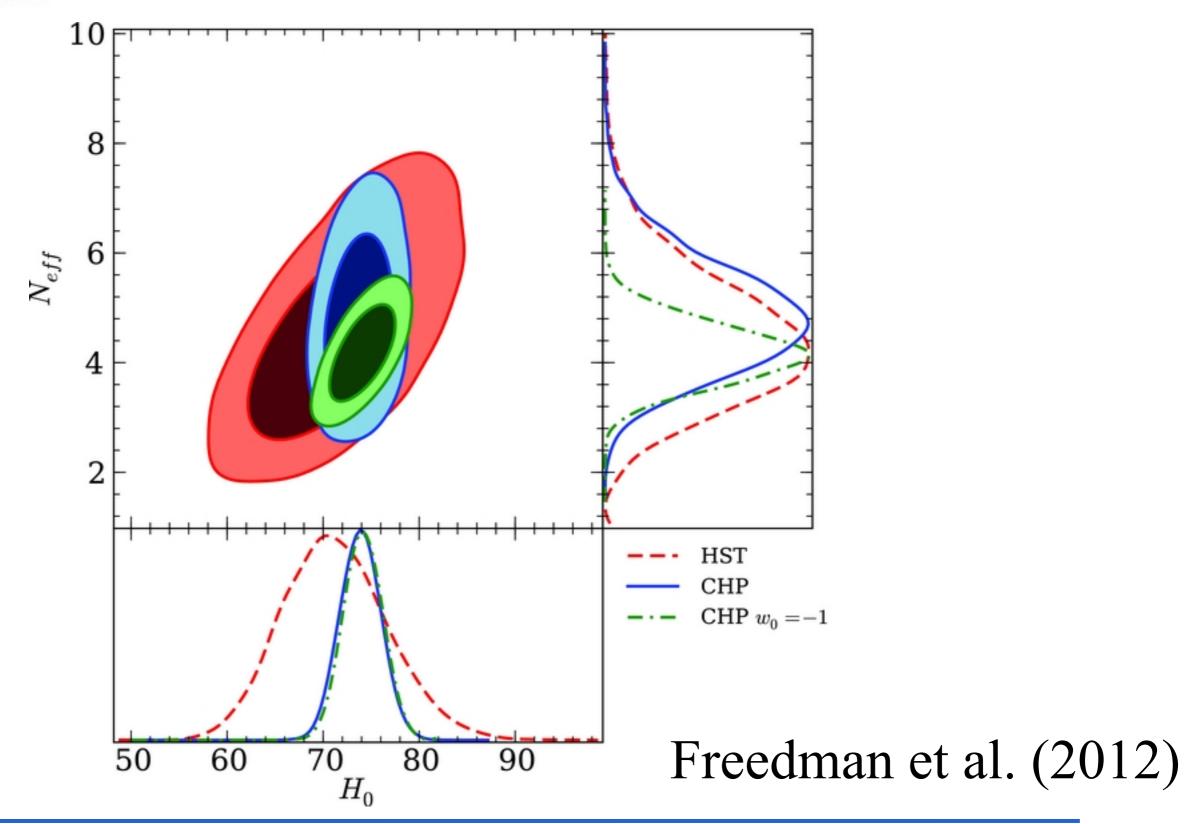




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# Plain Old Systematics?

Local  $H_o$  depends on standard candle distances

- ◆ First rung could be wrong(er)
- ◆ Each rung could be wrong(er)
- ◆ Inter-stellar extinction could be different.
- ◆ Photometric crowding bias

Planck  $H_o$  depends on Early Universe physics and Cosmology

- ◆ GR may be wrong
- Assumed model (dark energy + dark matter) could be wrong.
- ♦ Signs of inconsistencies with WMAP?