

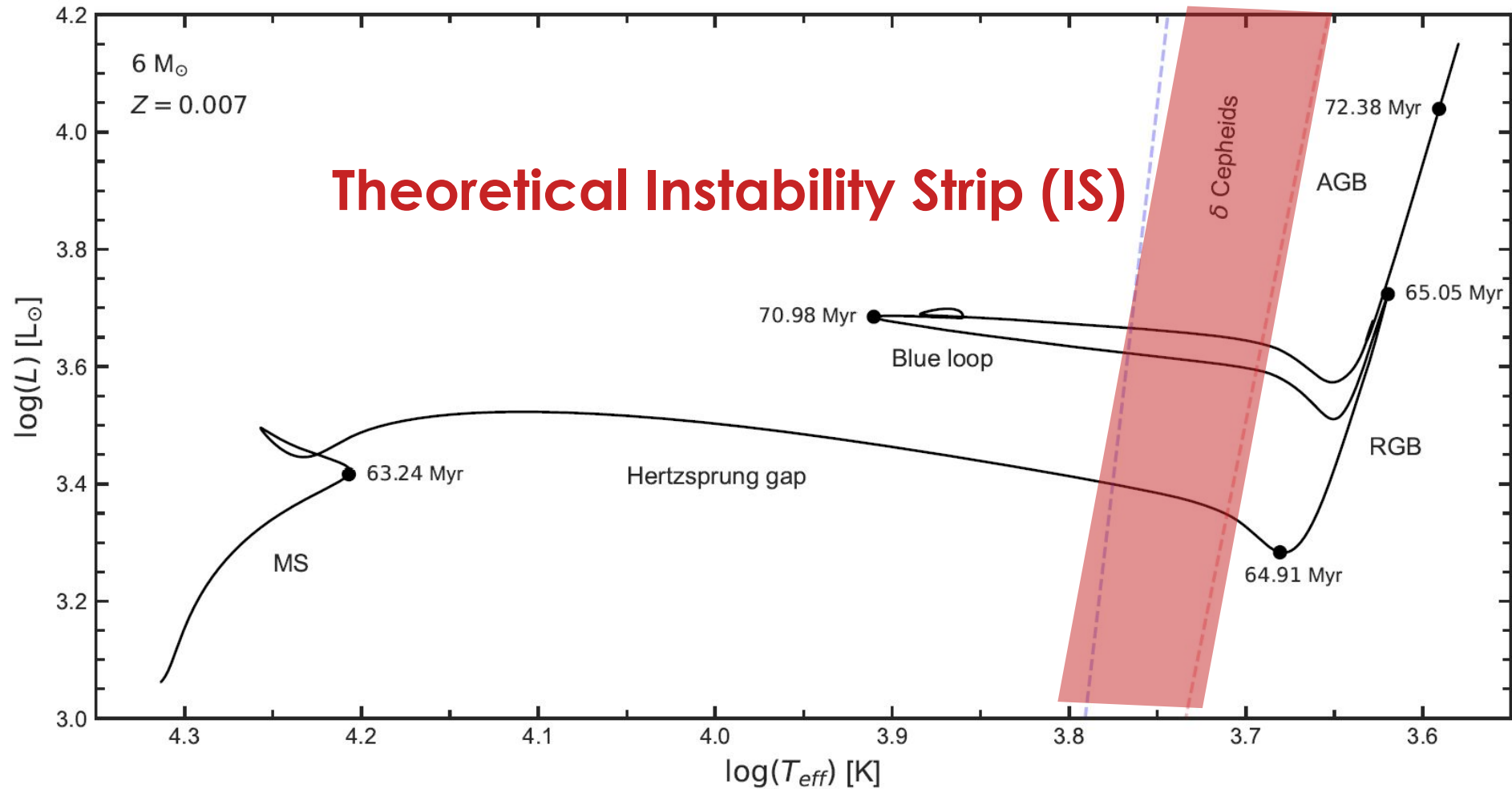


Empirical constraints for the instability strip from the analysis of LMC Cepheids

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Anderson et al. (2016)



Metallicity and rotation

Paxton et al. (2019)



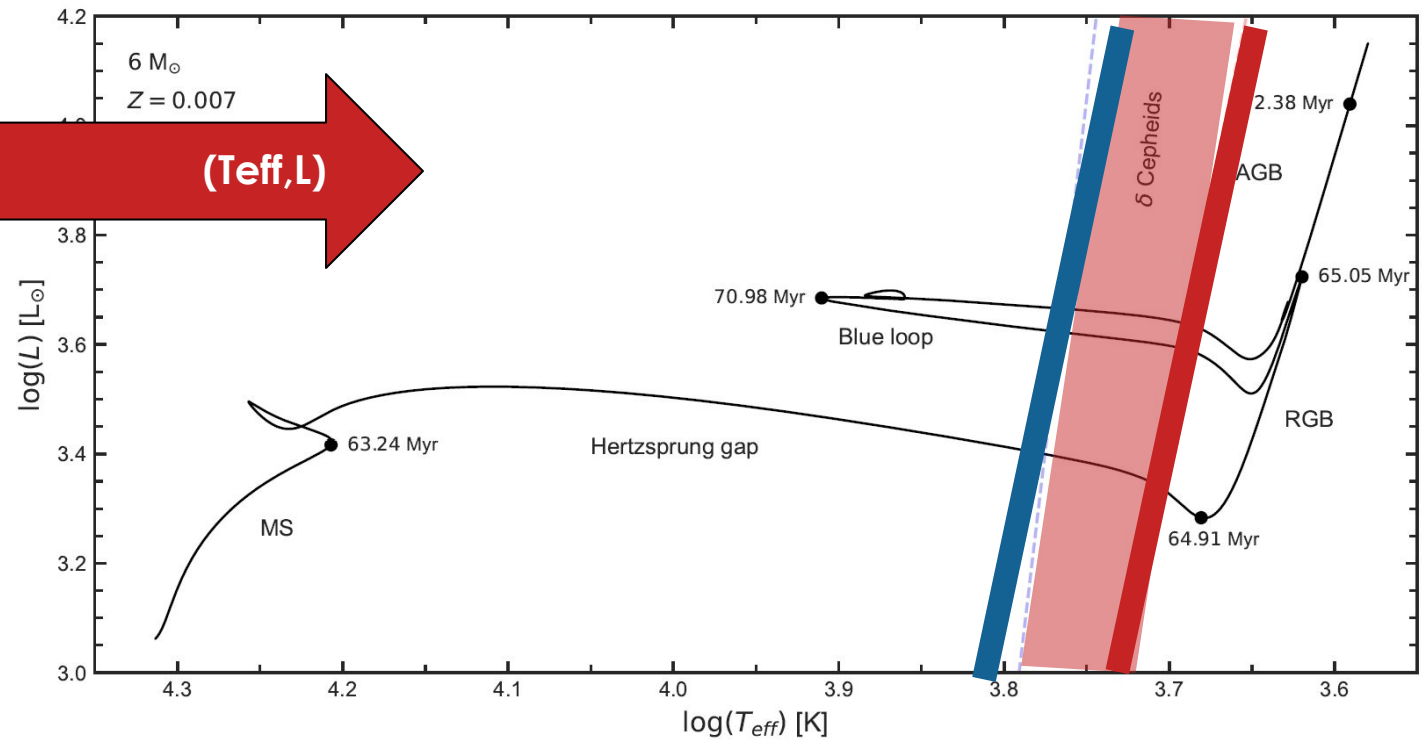
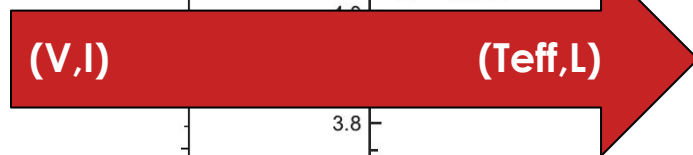
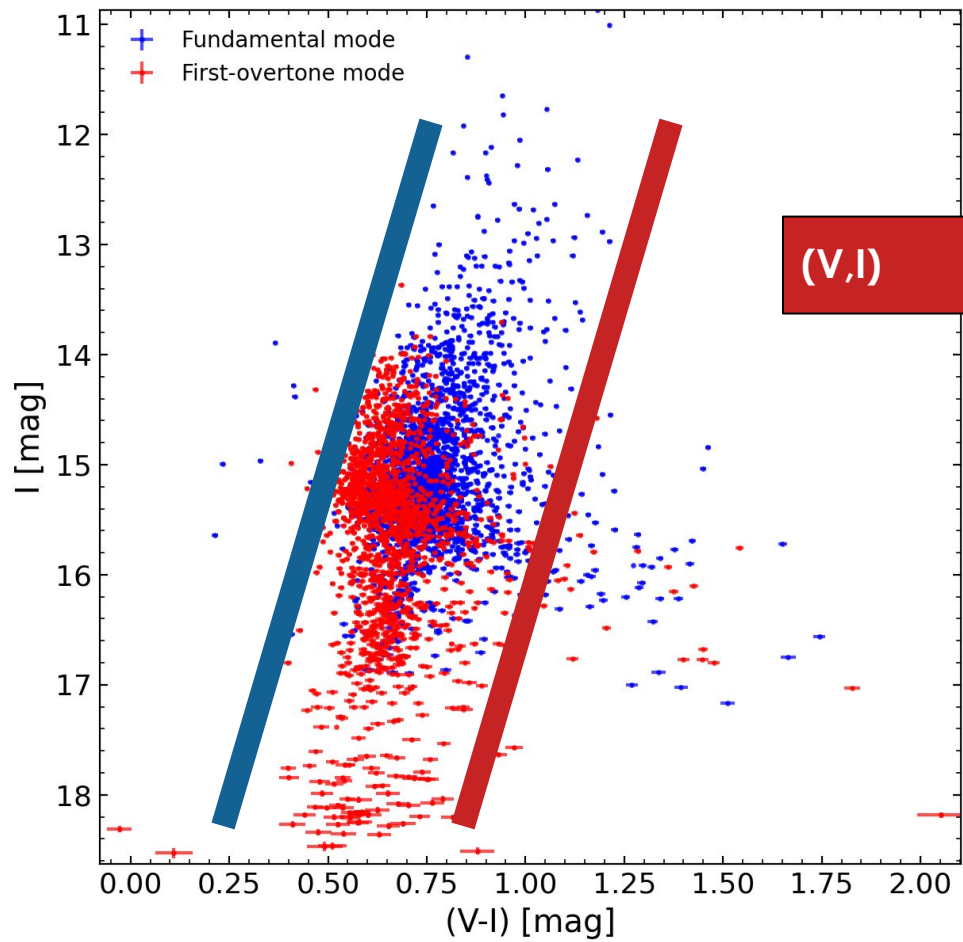
Different parameters for the convective model

De Somma et al. (2022)



Mass-luminosity relation and convection efficiency

Empirical Instability Strip



Data

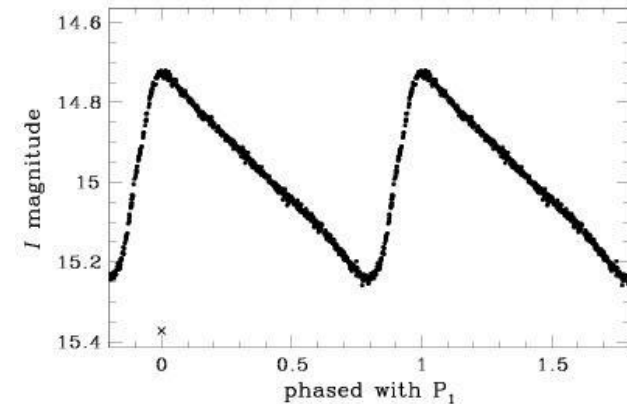
OGLE-IV catalog + OGLE III Shallow Survey

Fundamental (F) and first overtone (1O)
mode LMC Cepheids

Full sample: **2335** F and **1682** 1O
Cepheids

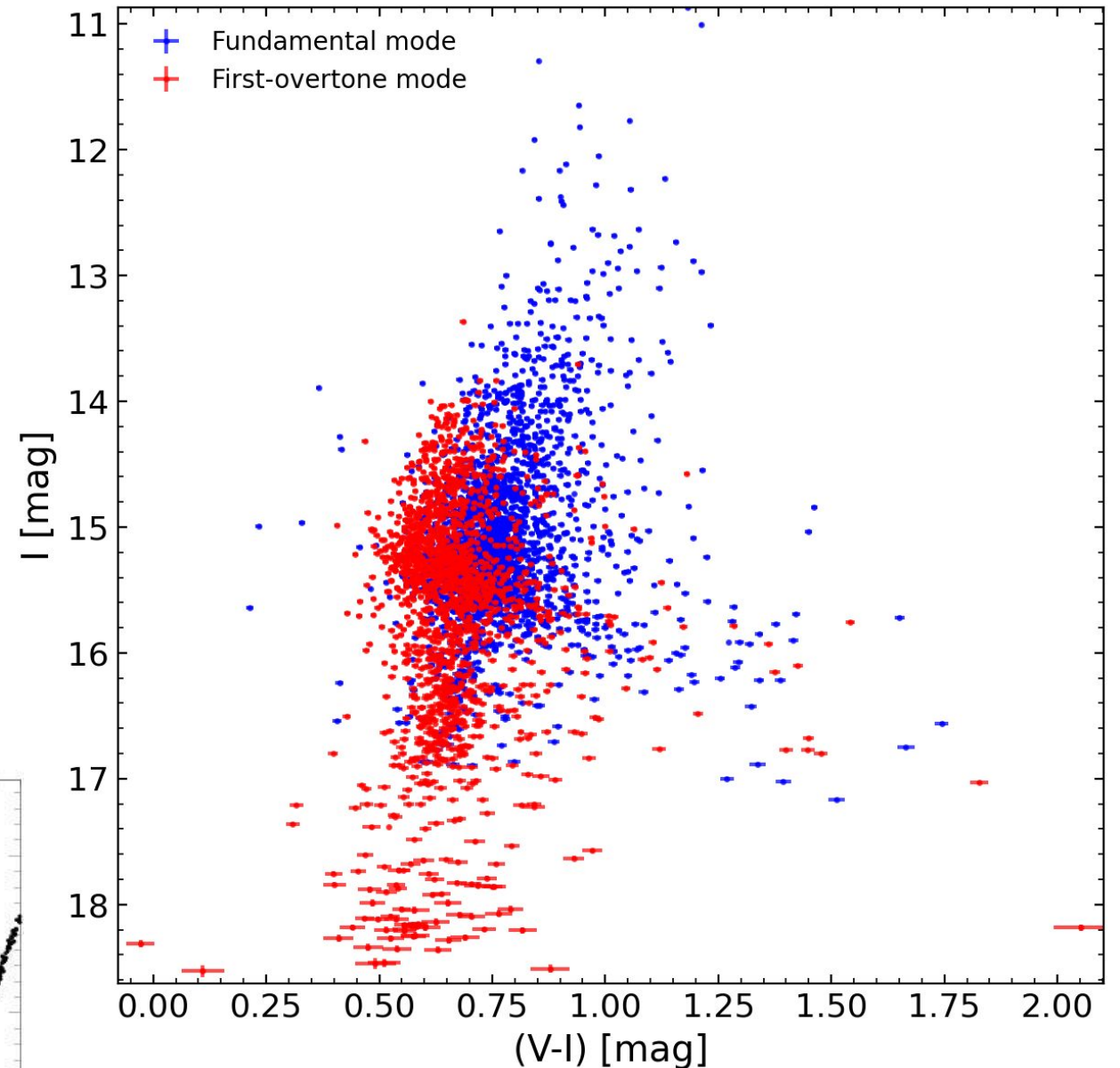
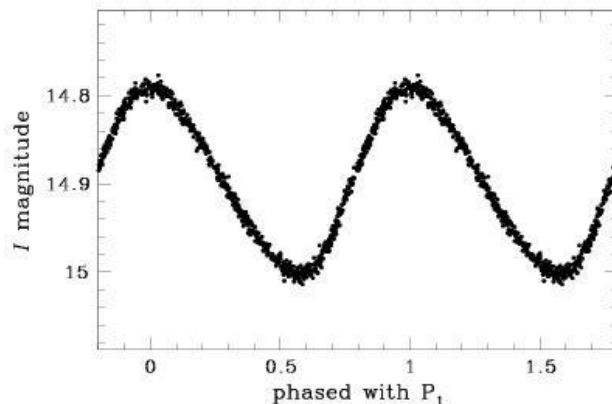
F-mode

OGLE-LMC-CEP-2244



1O-mode

OGLE-LMC-CEP-2217

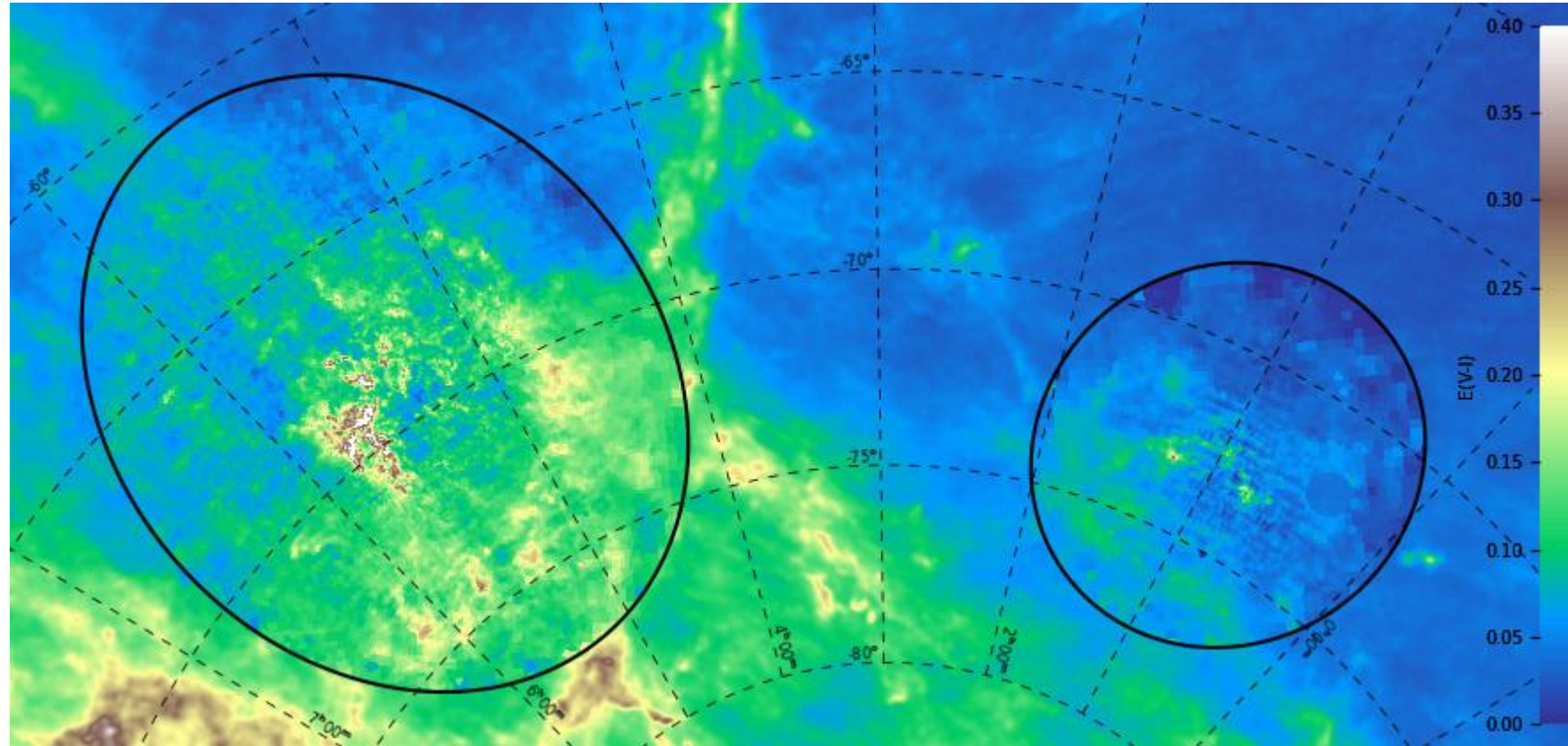


Data

Reddening

High-resolution
reddening map
Skowron et al. (2021)

Based on Red Clump
stars from the OGLE-IV
survey



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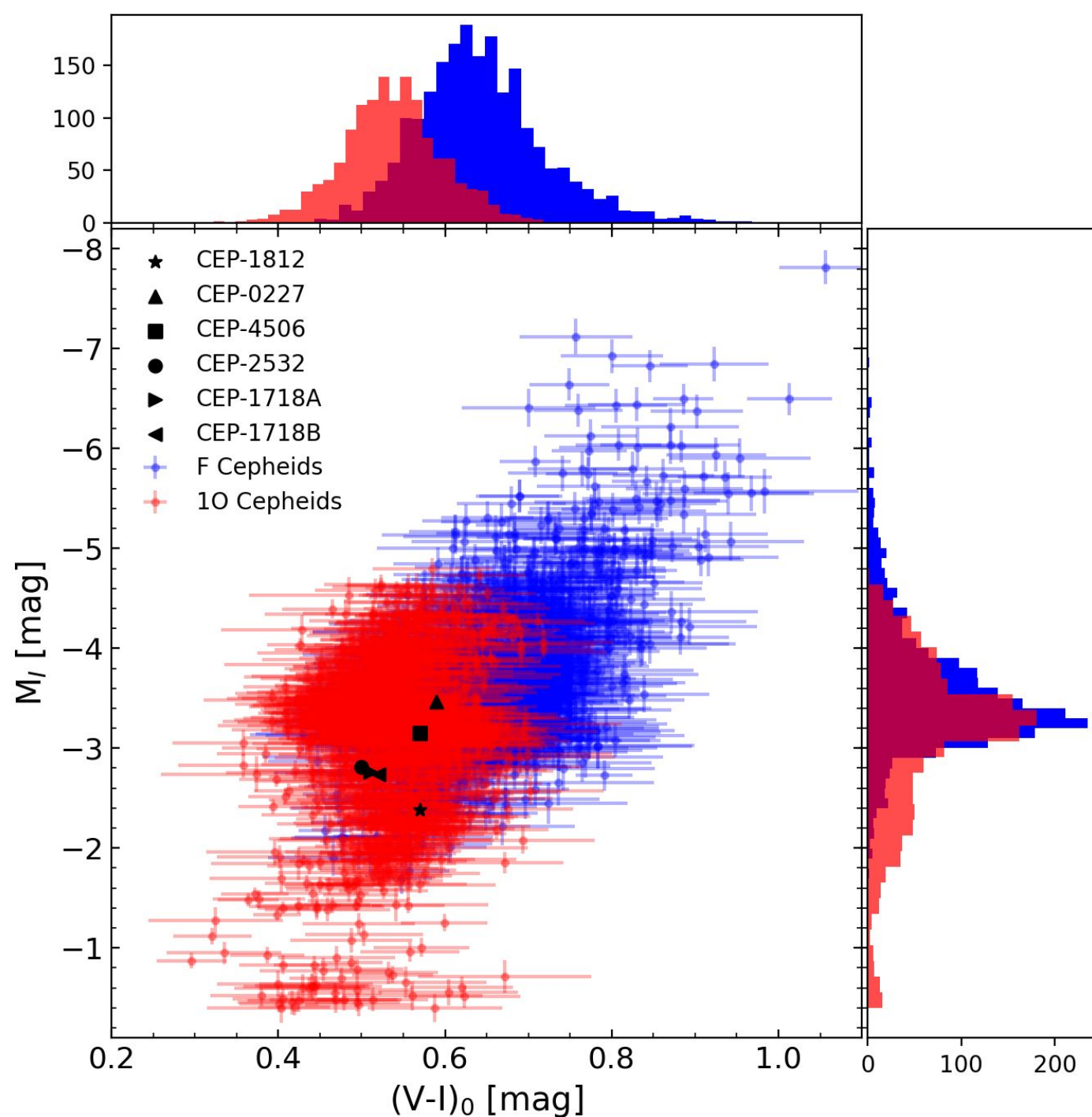
Careful cleaning

Discarding objects that presents remarks in the OGLE catalog, high vertical dispersion in the P-L relation, and high uncertainties in reddening.

Distances

Jacyszyn-Dobrzyniecka et al. (2016).

**2058 F and 1387 1O-mode
LMC Cepheids**

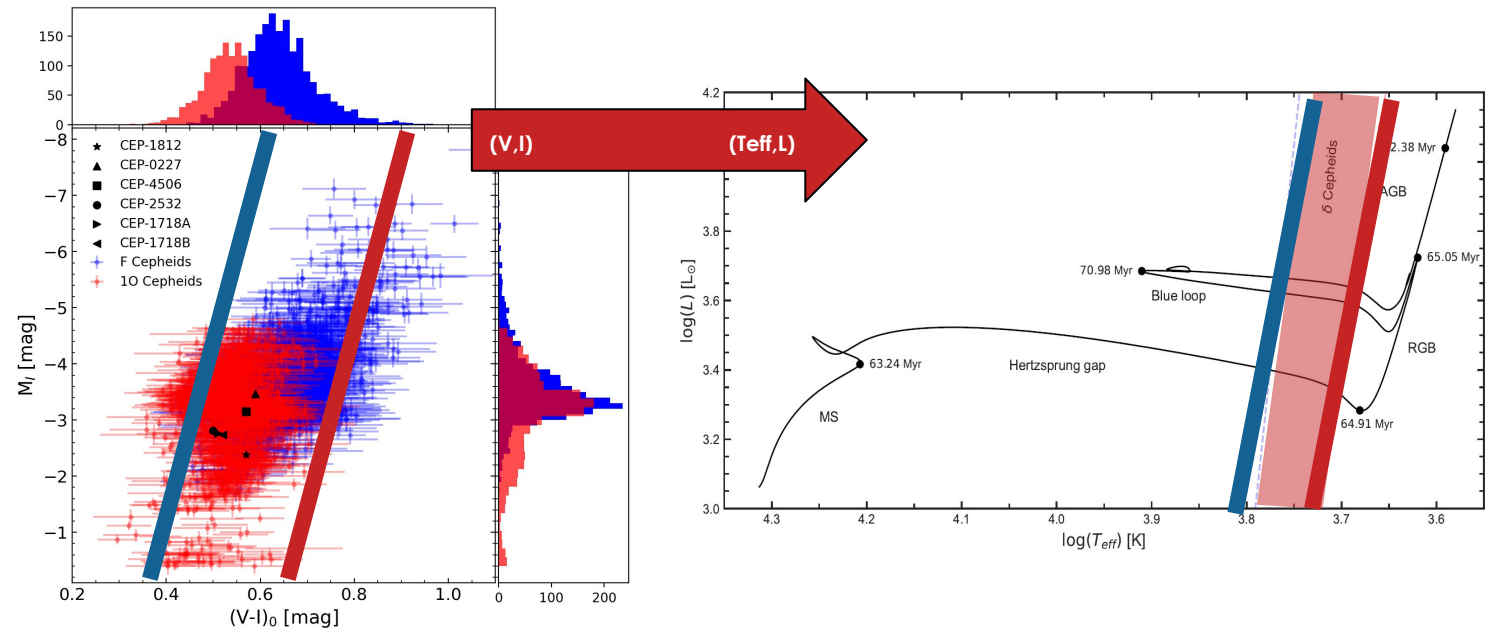


Goal

Intrinsic IS

To be able to compare the empirical IS with theoretical models, one has to correct for any effect that could change its intrinsic width:

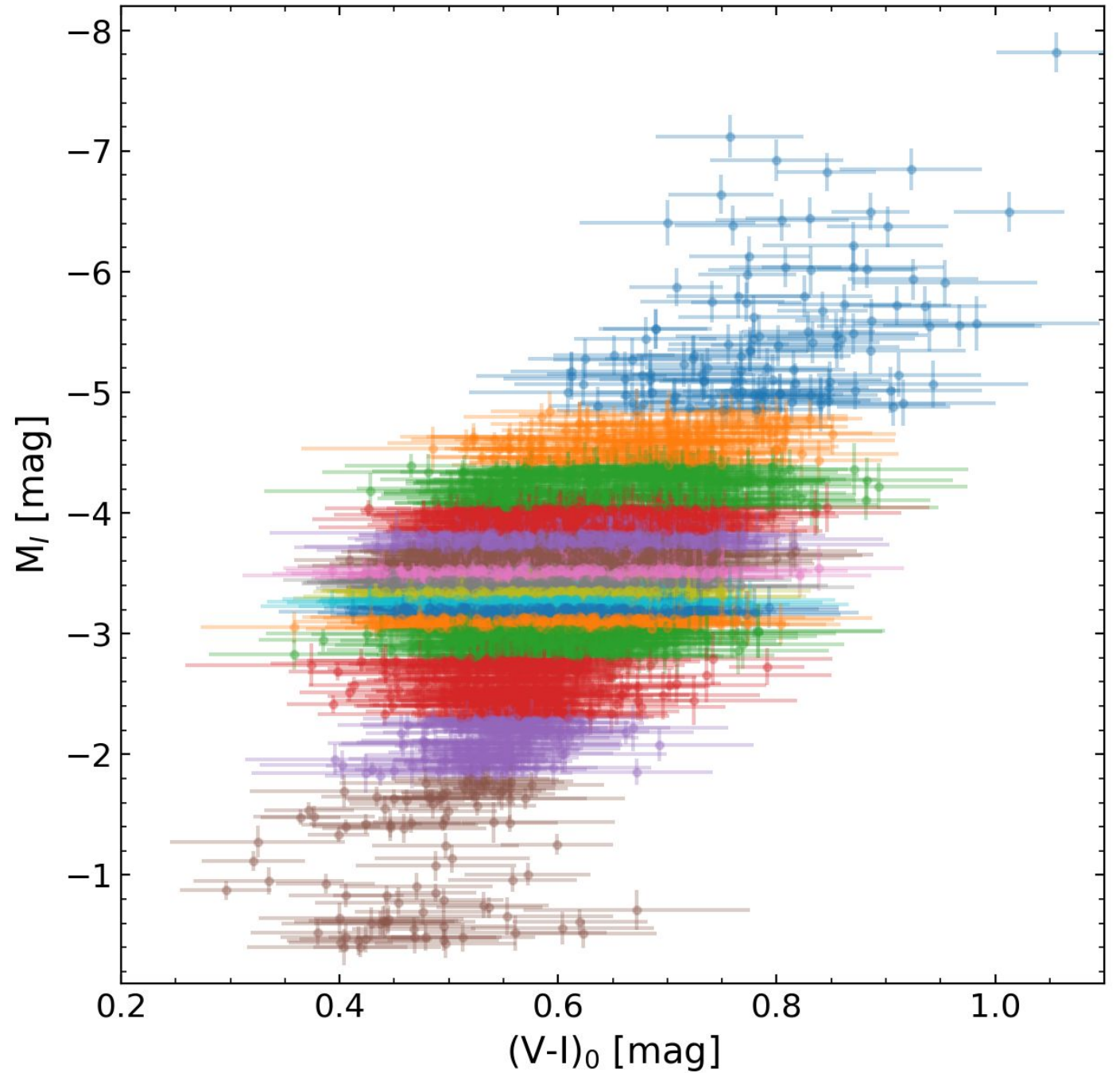
- Outliers ✓
- Uncertainties of photometry ✓
~ 0.005 mag
- Uncertainties of reddening
~ 0.06 mag



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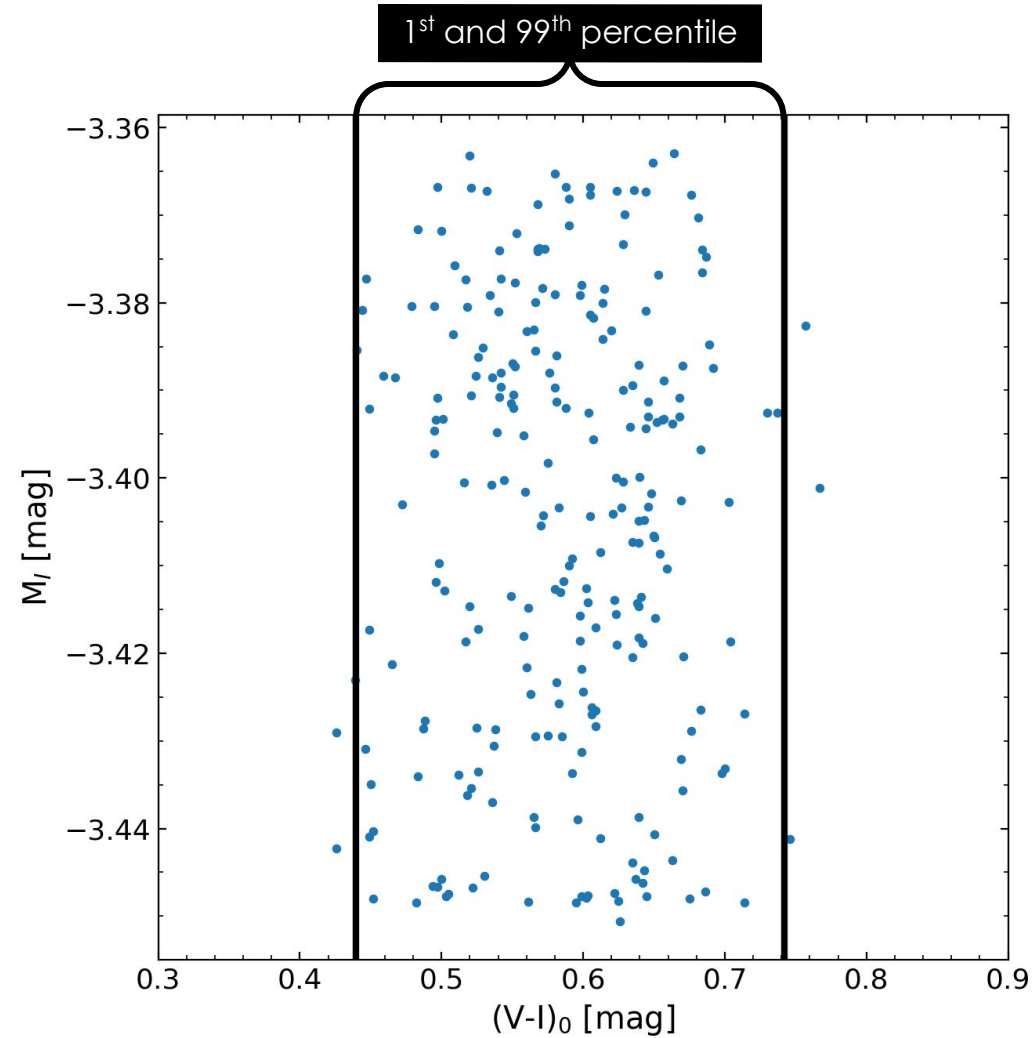
IS boundaries

- Each bin contains ~ 200 stars.



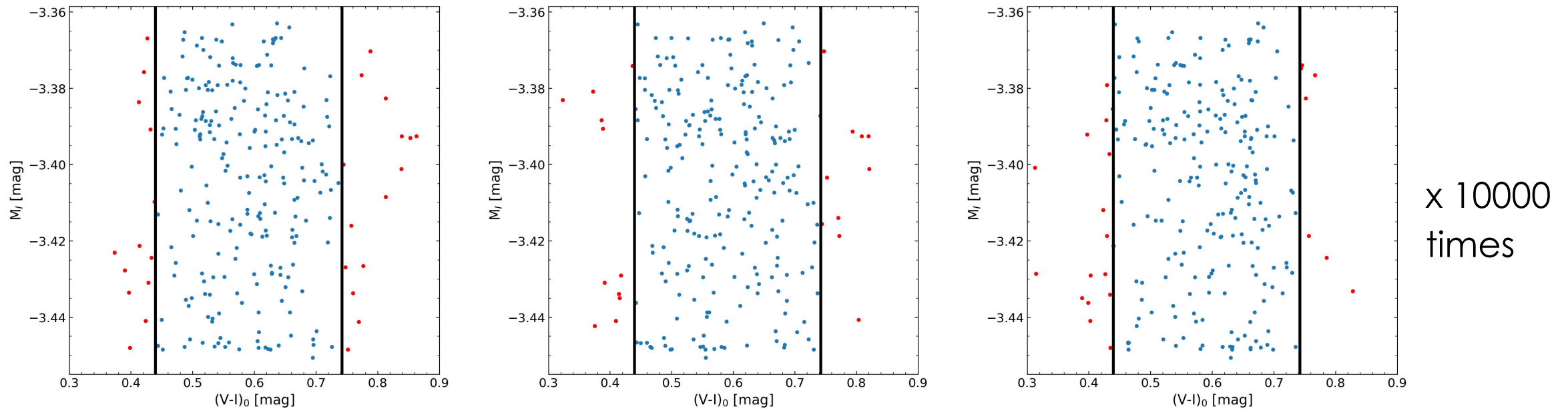
Method

- We located the **1st** and **99th percentile** of the intrinsic color distribution



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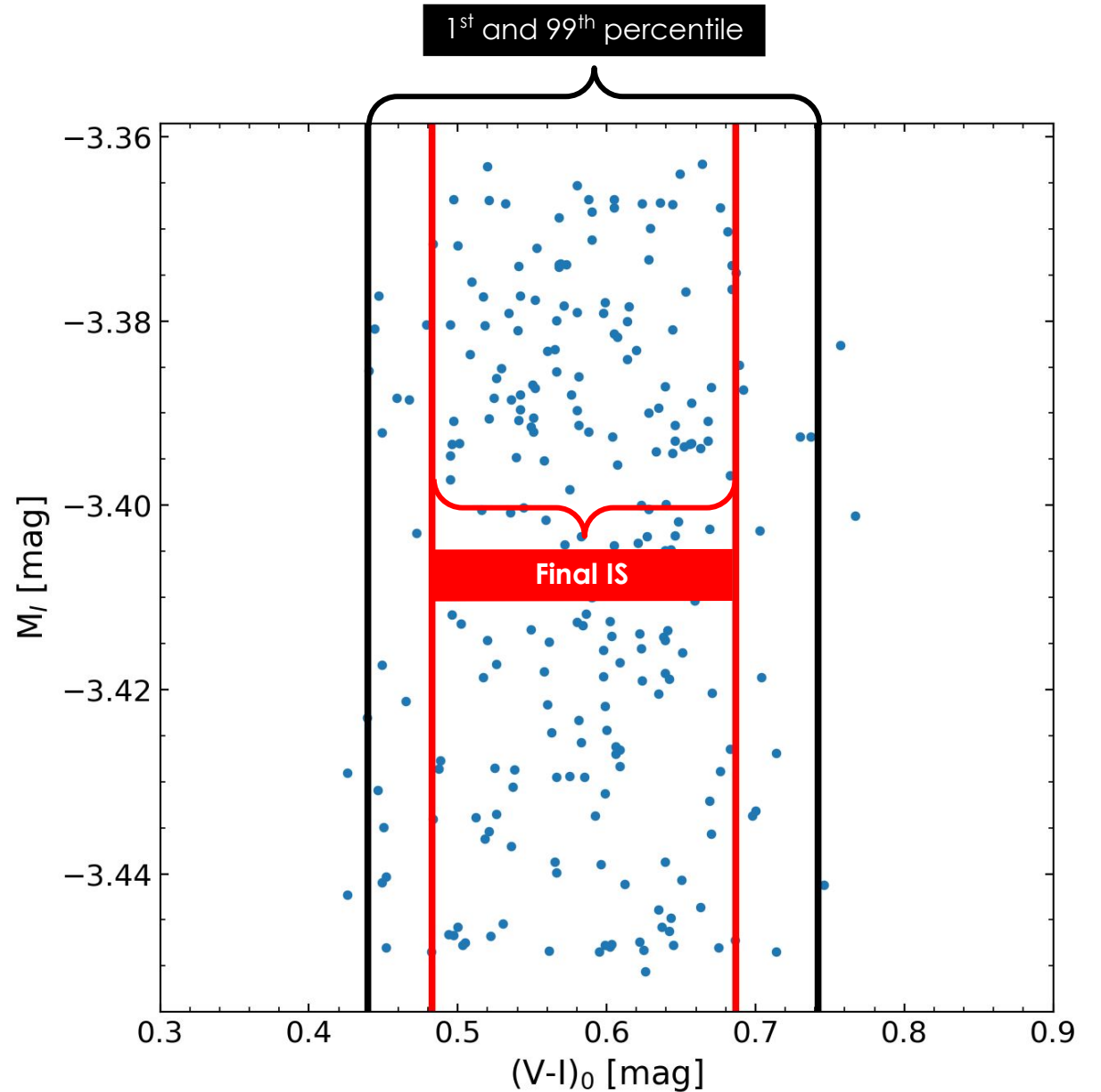
- We then add random Gaussian errors to the intrinsic color of each Cepheid, making the distribution of color wider.



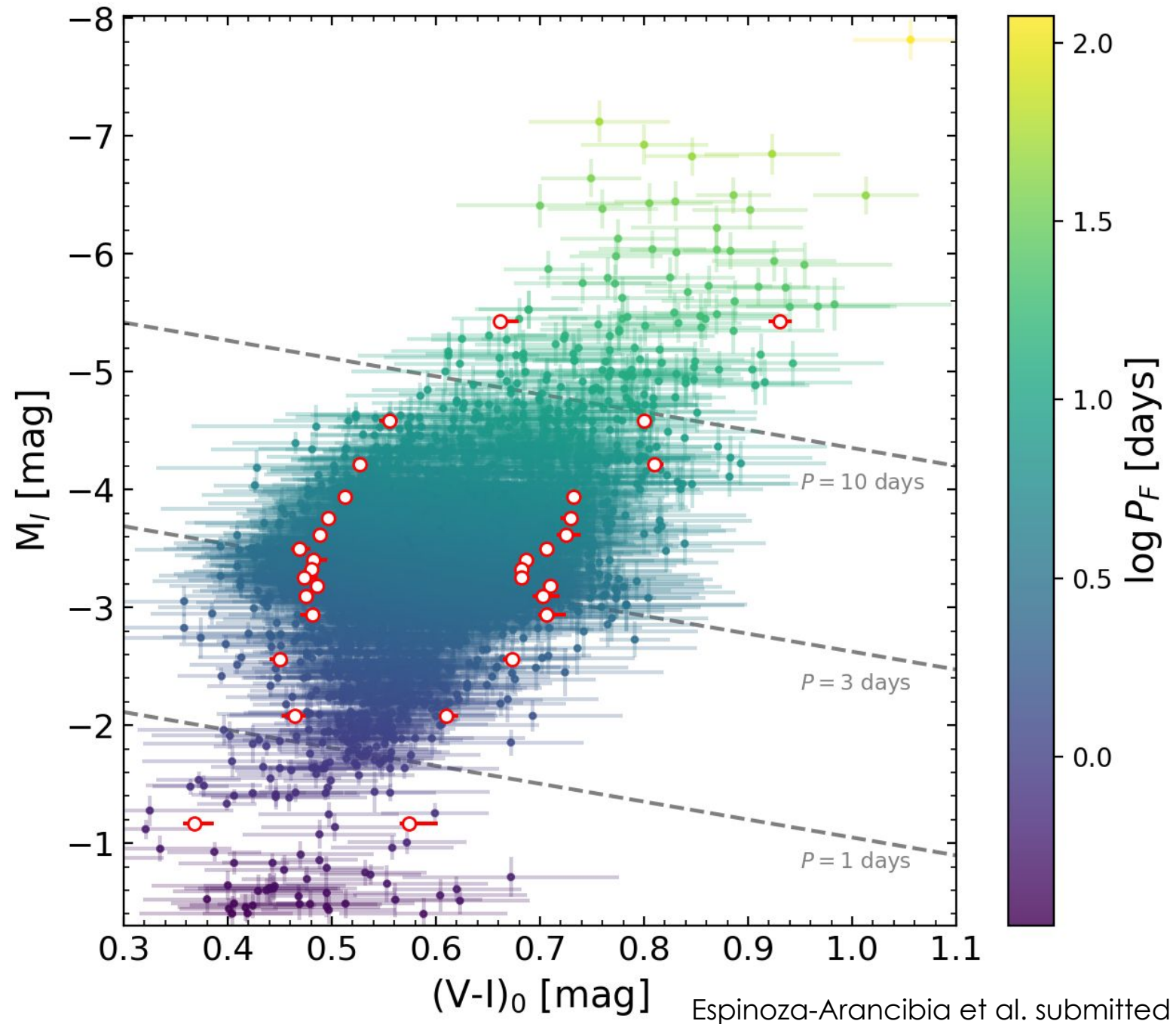
- Subsequently, we count the number of extra stars that after such procedure are located outside the initial edges. After 10000 iterations, we computed the median of the distribution of these numbers, namely n_{blue} , and n_{red} .

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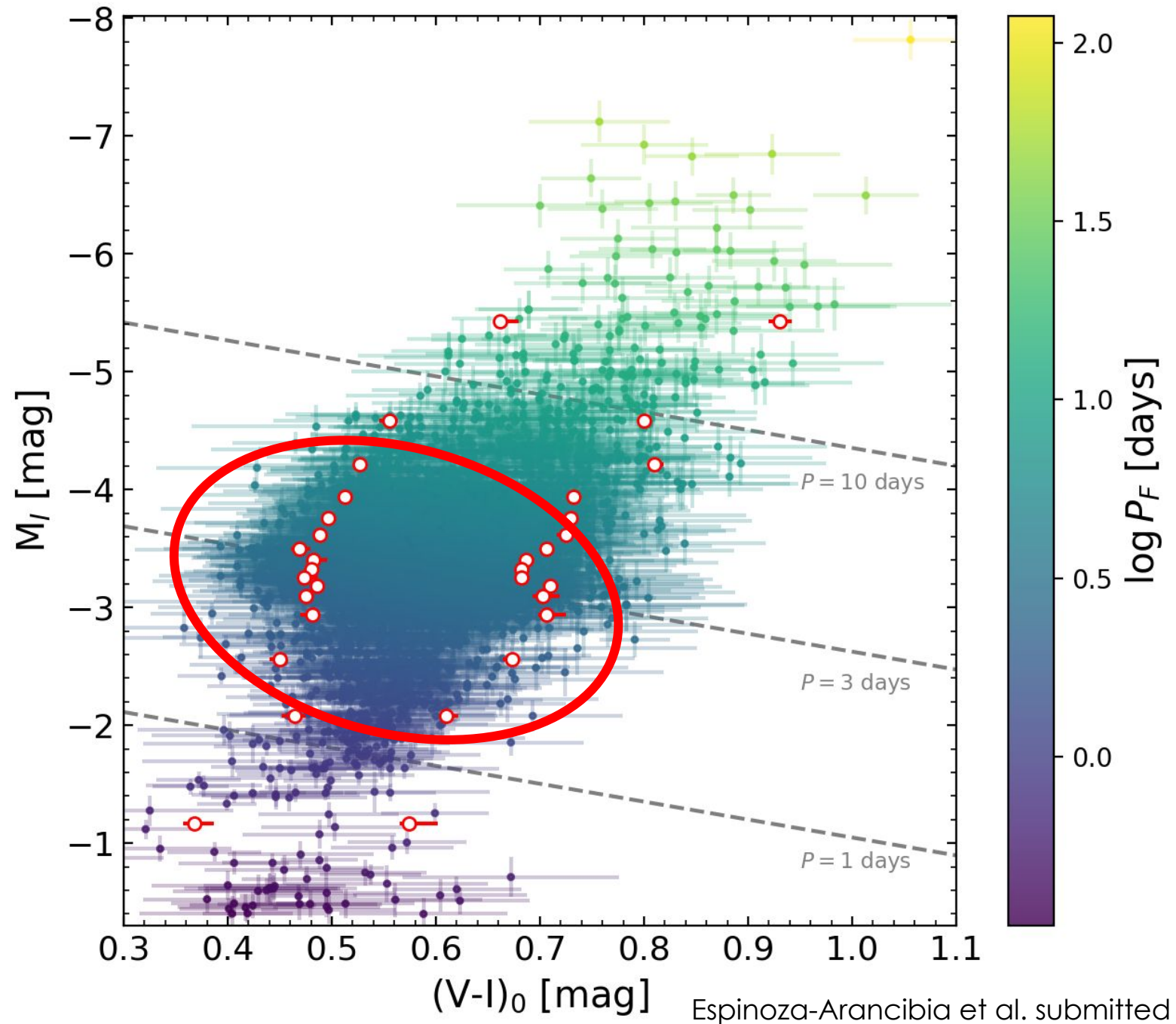
- The final blue and red IS positions, of each bin, were obtained by moving the initial edges “inside” the IS by n_{blue} and n_{red} stars, respectively.



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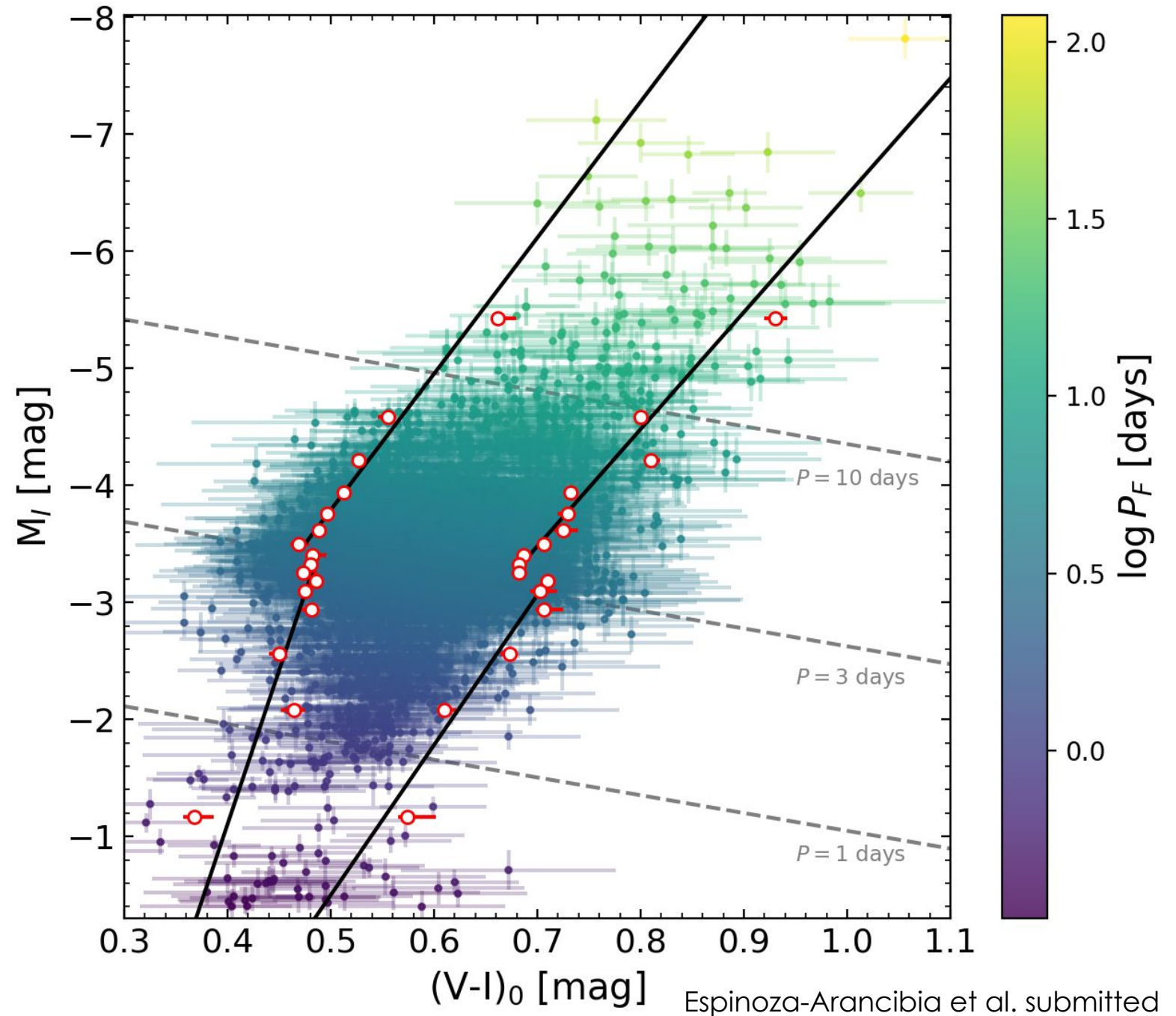


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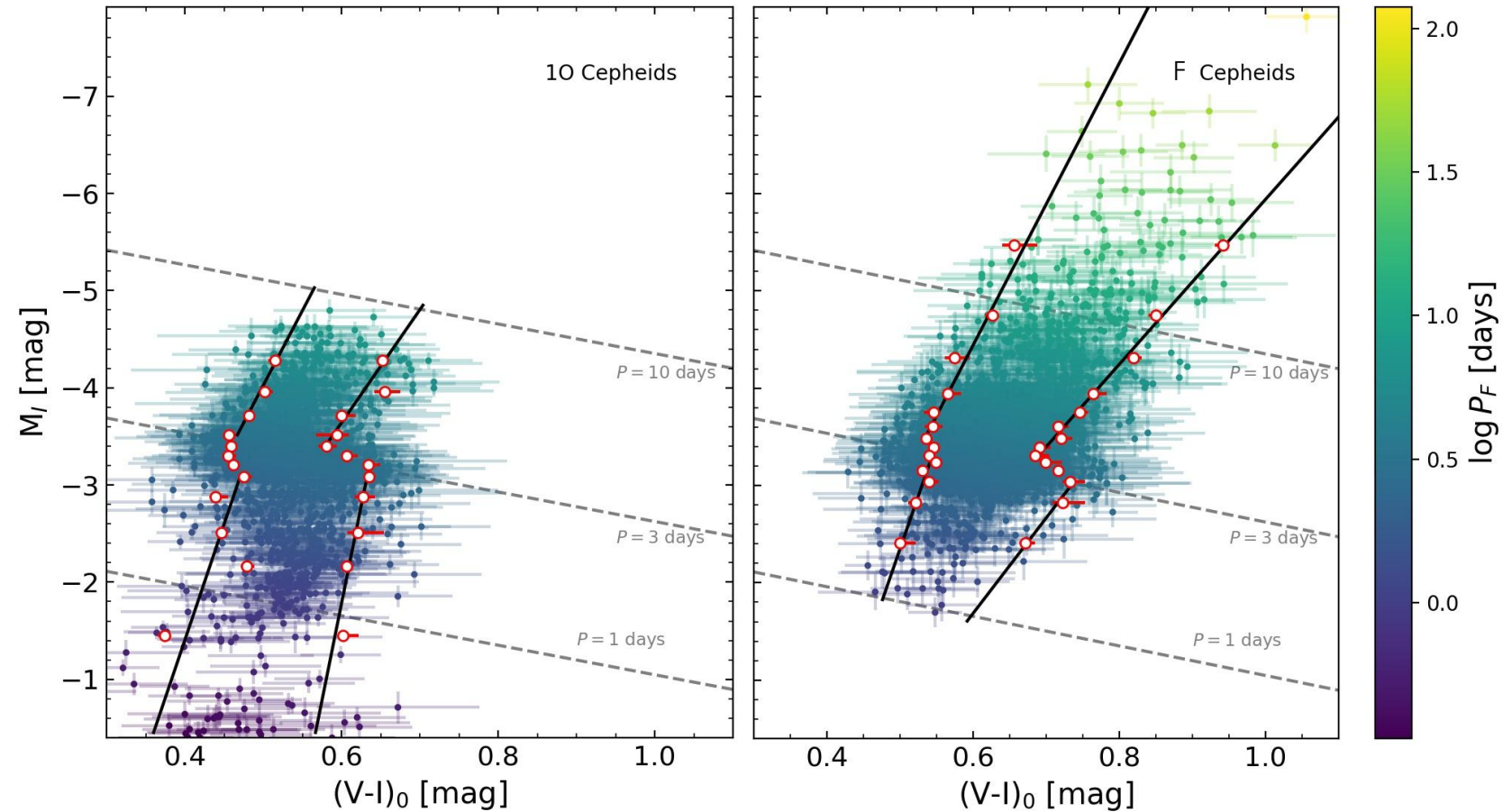
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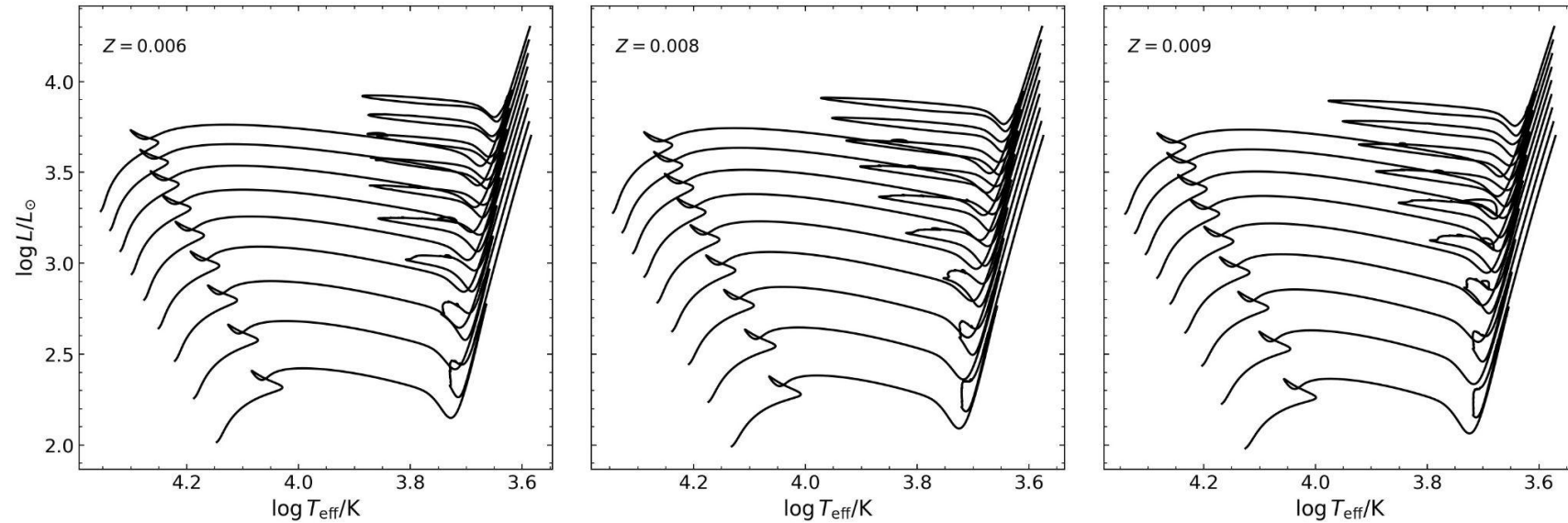
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MESA evolutionary tracks
3 - 7 Solar masses (in steps of 0.1)

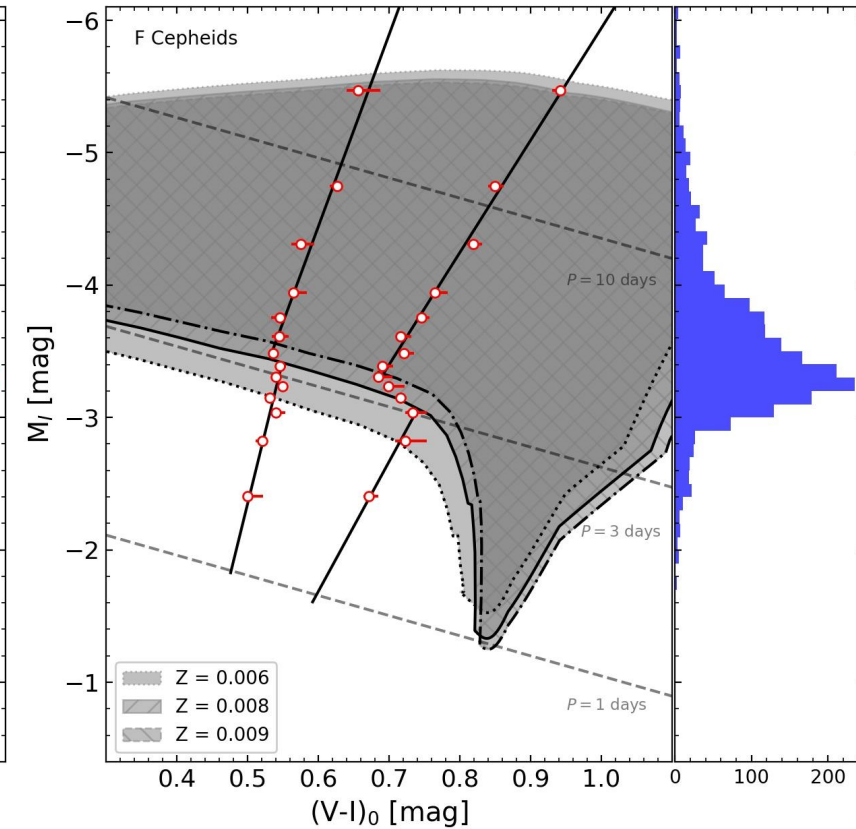
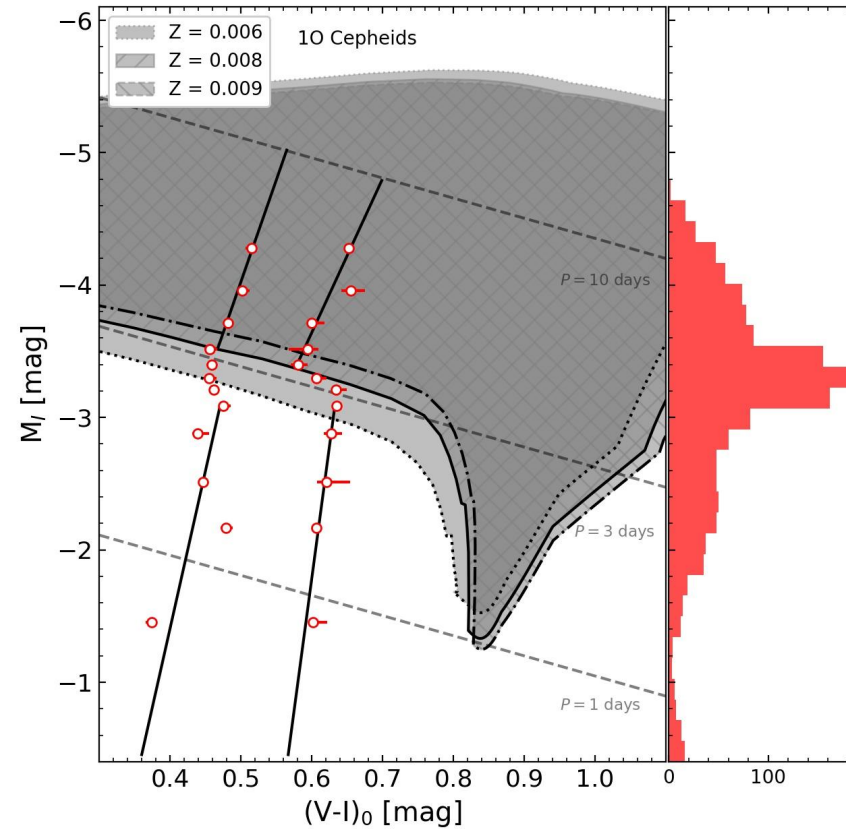


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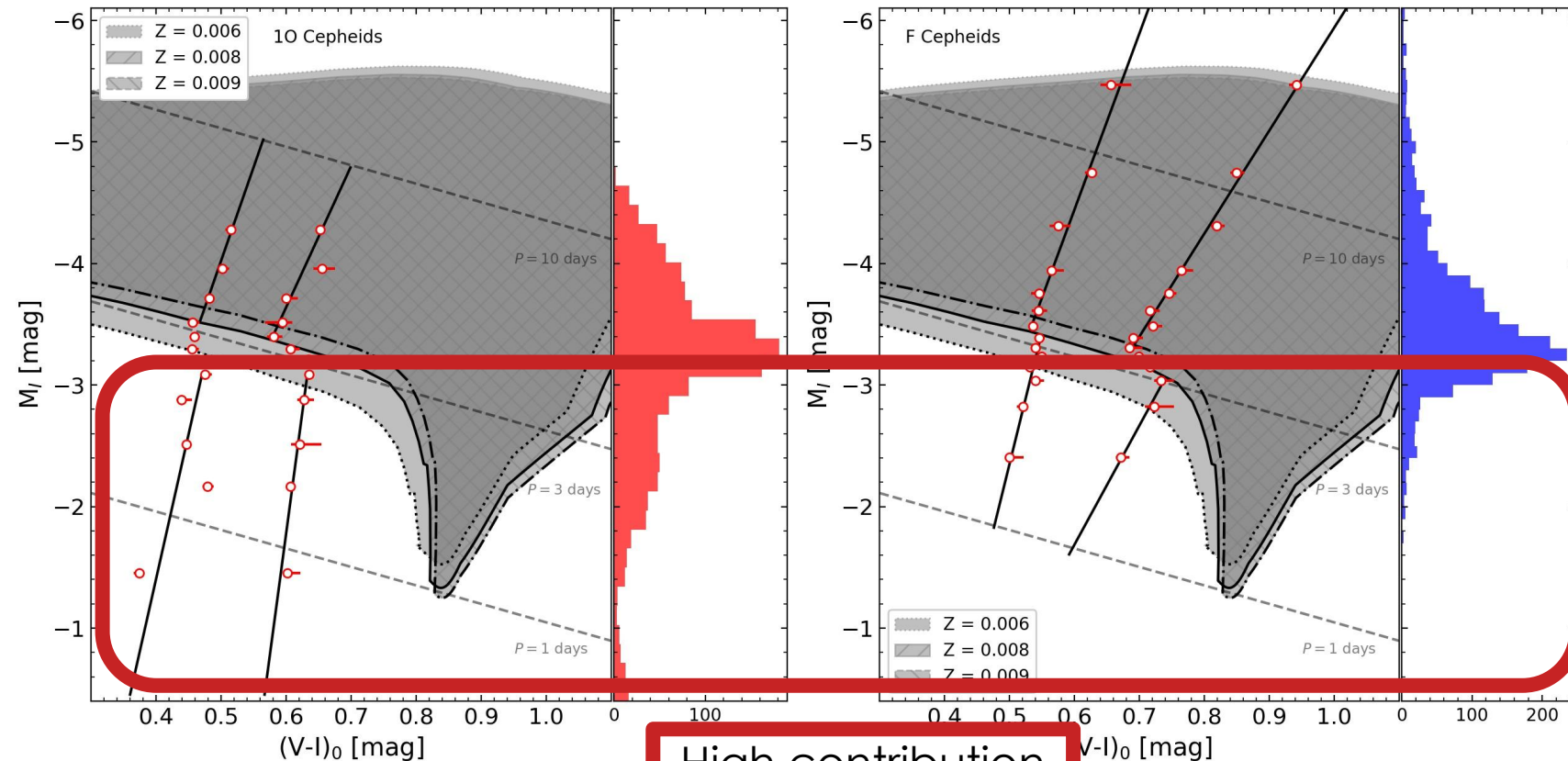


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Depopulation of 2nd and 3rd crossing Cepheids in the faint part of the IS.

Blue loops become shorter as the mass and period of Cepheids decreases (Bauer, F. et al. 1999; Ripepi et al. 2022).



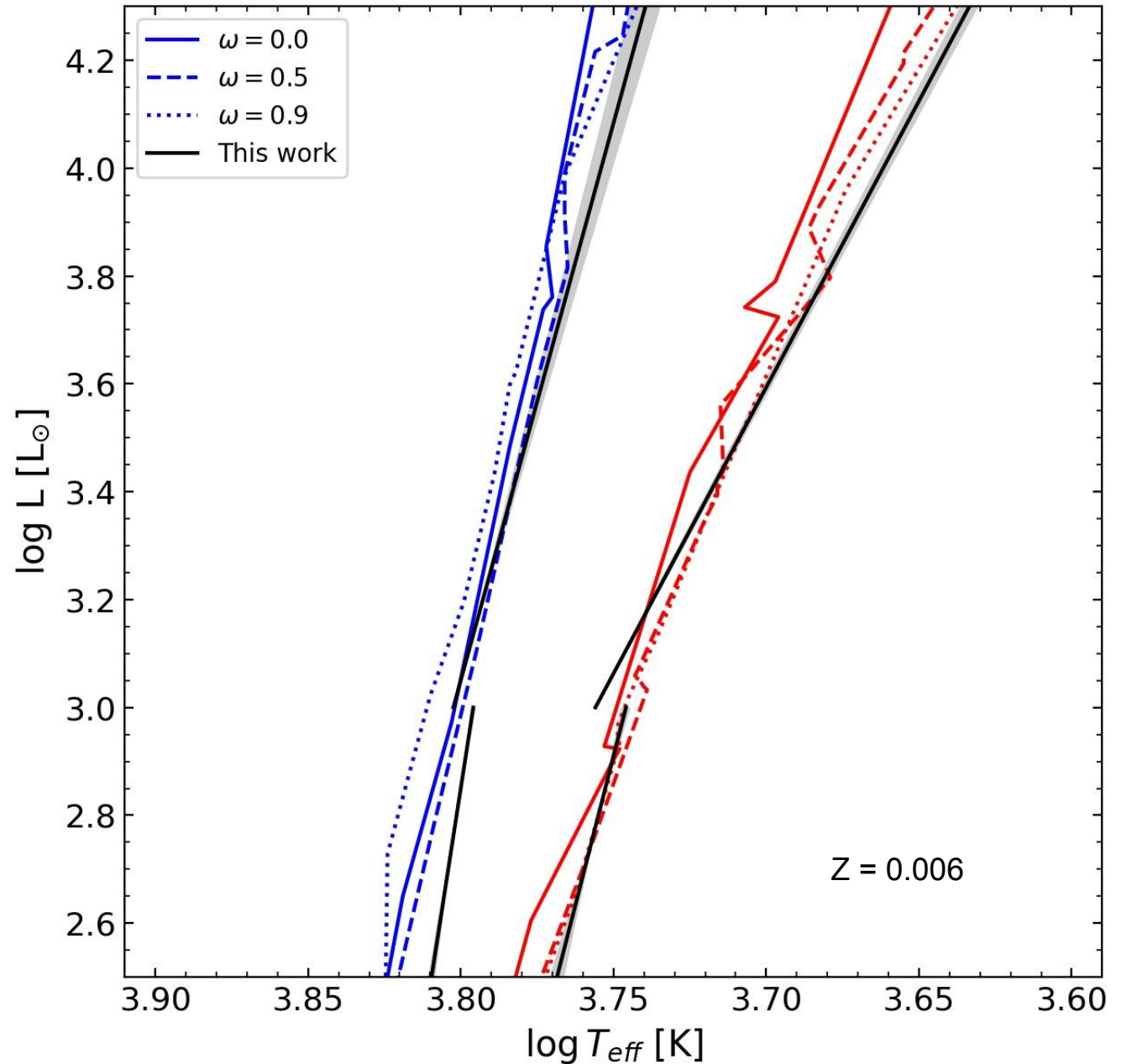
High contribution
of 1st crossing
Cepheids

Comparisons

Anderson et al. (2016)

Theoretical IS obtained using Geneva code, as a function of metallicity, and rotation rate.

- Their red edges present several shifts to higher temperatures, related to the dependency of the red IS boundary on the crossing number.
- Globally their models with high rotation rates describe best our determined edges but the lower part seems to favor those with moderate rotation rates.



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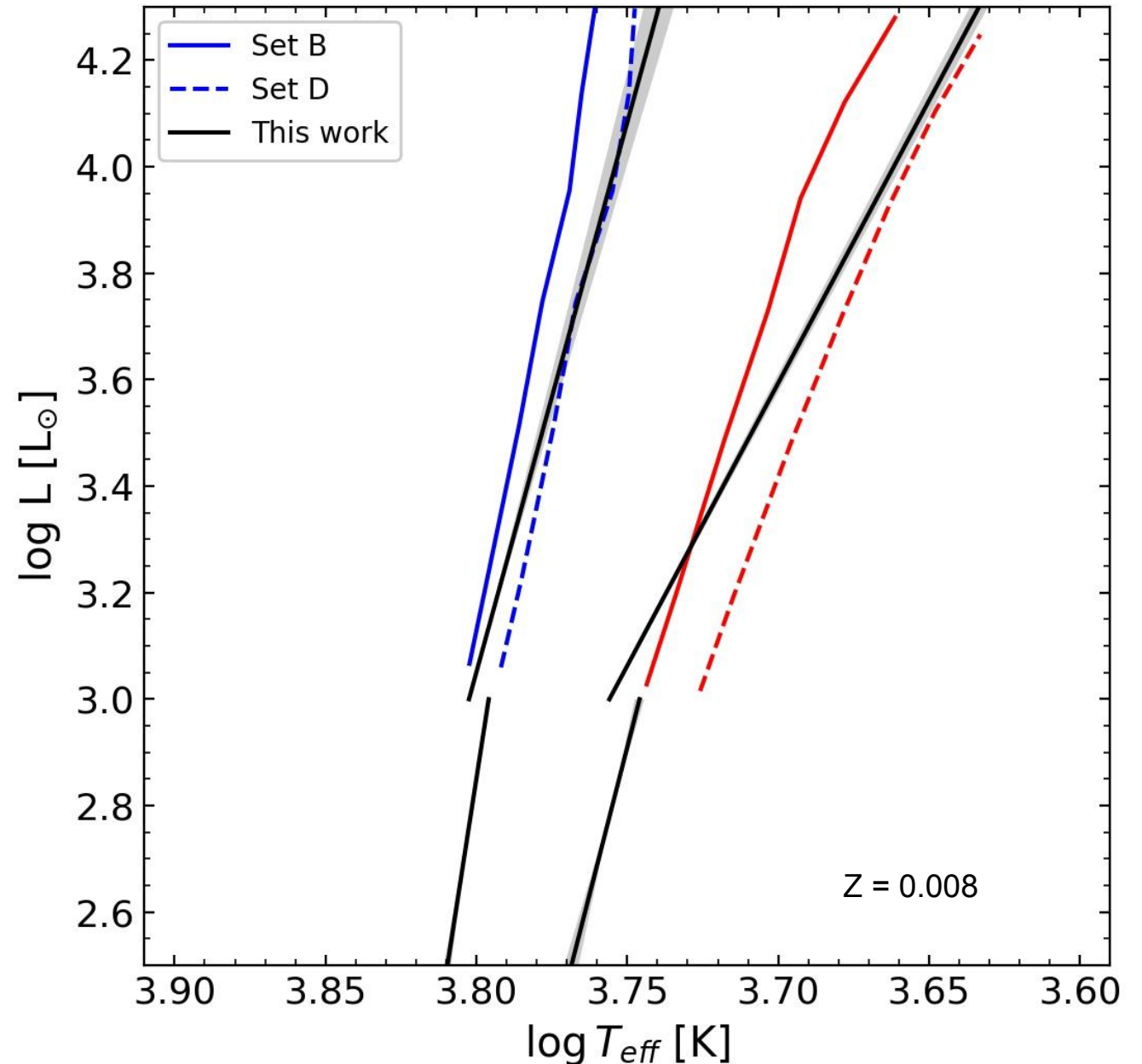
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IS obtained *RSP*, a functionality of the *MESA* code to model pulsations. The *RSP* convective model depends on free parameters.

Set B of free parameters includes radiative cooling effects.

Set D includes turbulent pressure, turbulent flux and radiative cooling.

- Our blue edge is in closer agreement with that of set D, while our red edge lies somewhere in between sets B and D.



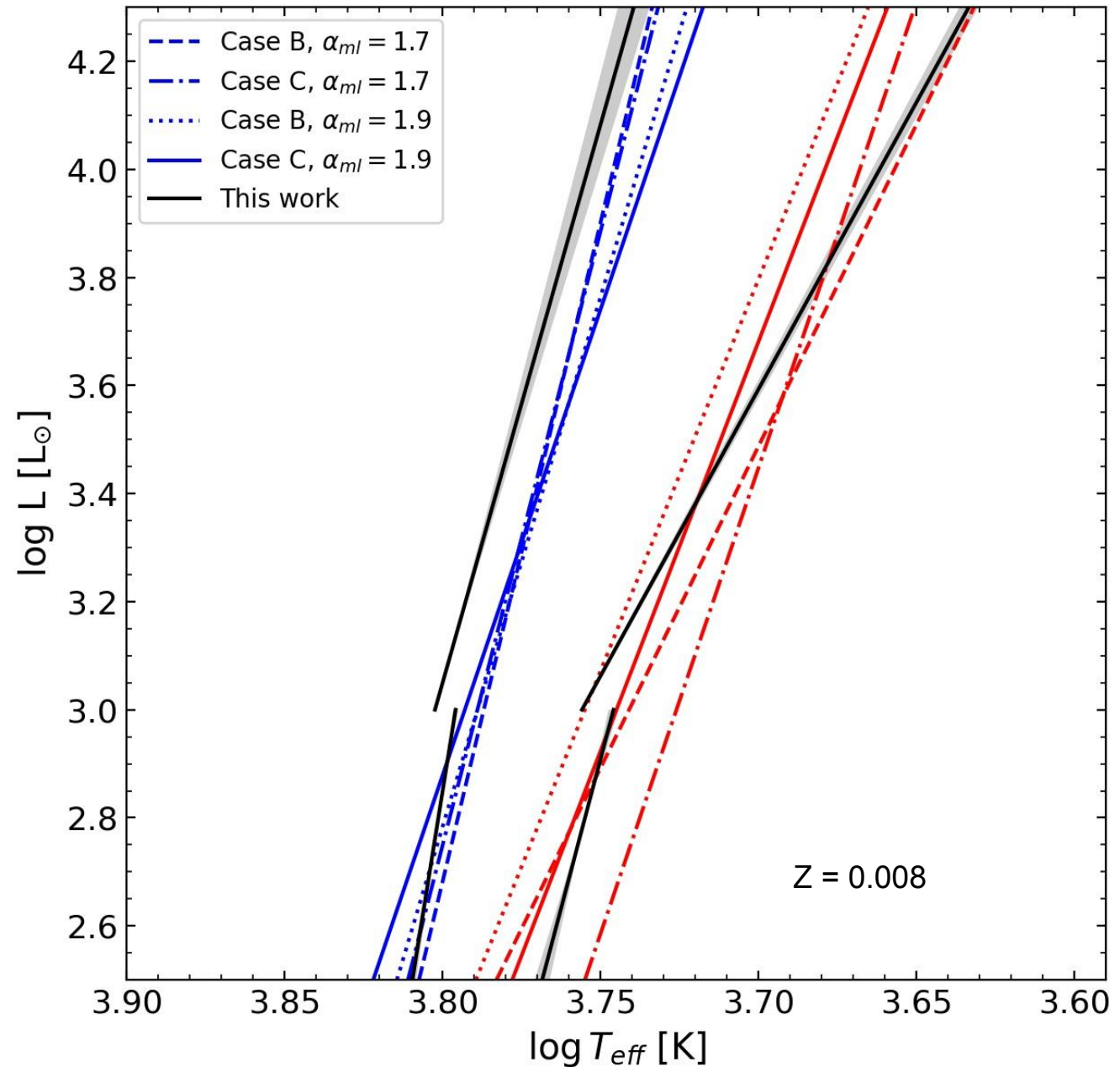
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De Somma et al. (2022)

Theoretical IS obtained using BasT evolutionary tracks, studying the effects of mass-luminosity (ML) relations, and superadiabatic convection efficiency.

ML B and C considers an increase in luminosity over their canonical model by 0.2 and 0.4 dex.

- Our empirical edges are most consistent with their models for case B and $\alpha_{ml}=1.7$.
- Our upper blue edge is systematically hotter.



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