

# Advancements in the modelling and interpretation of Long-Period Variables

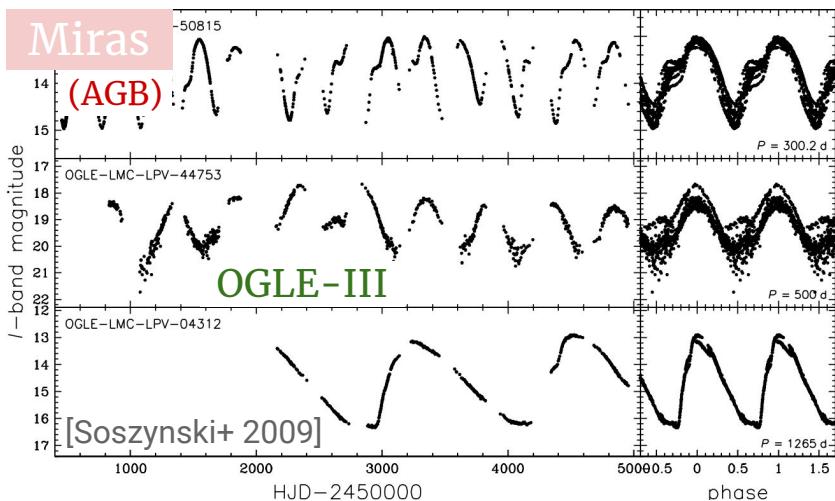
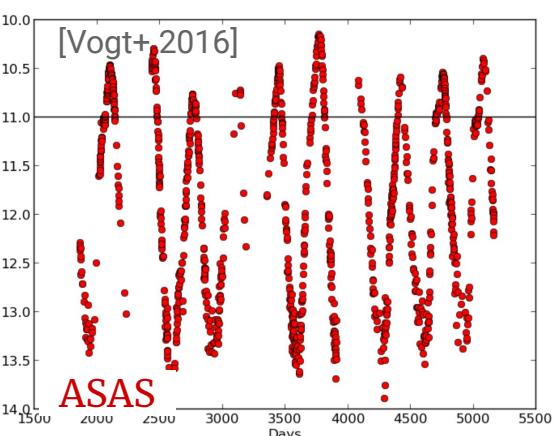
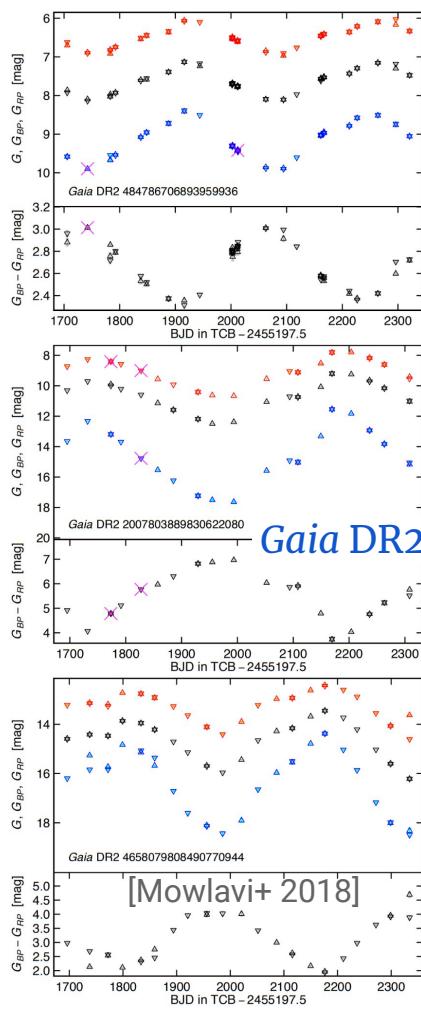
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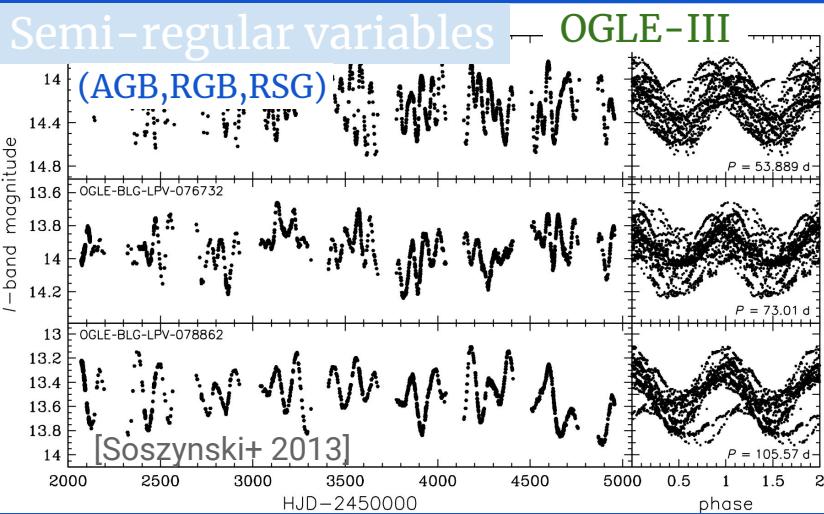
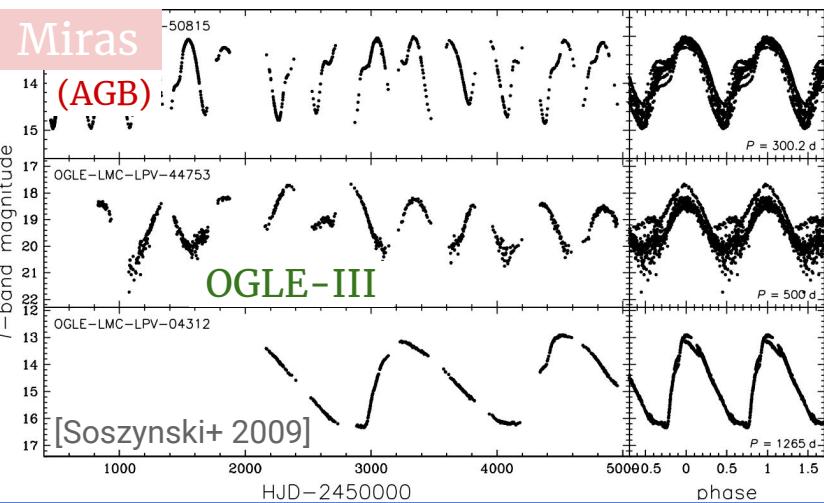
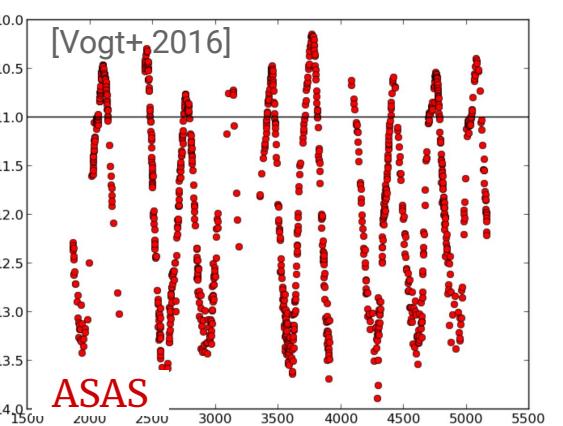
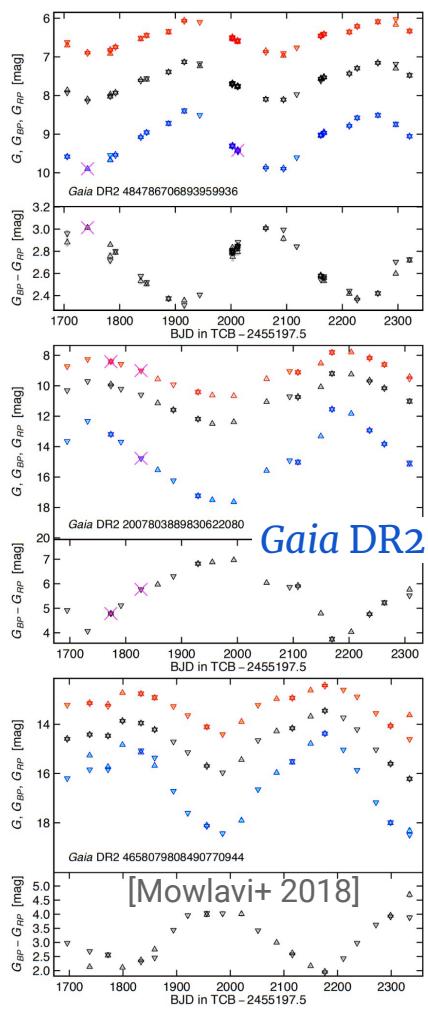


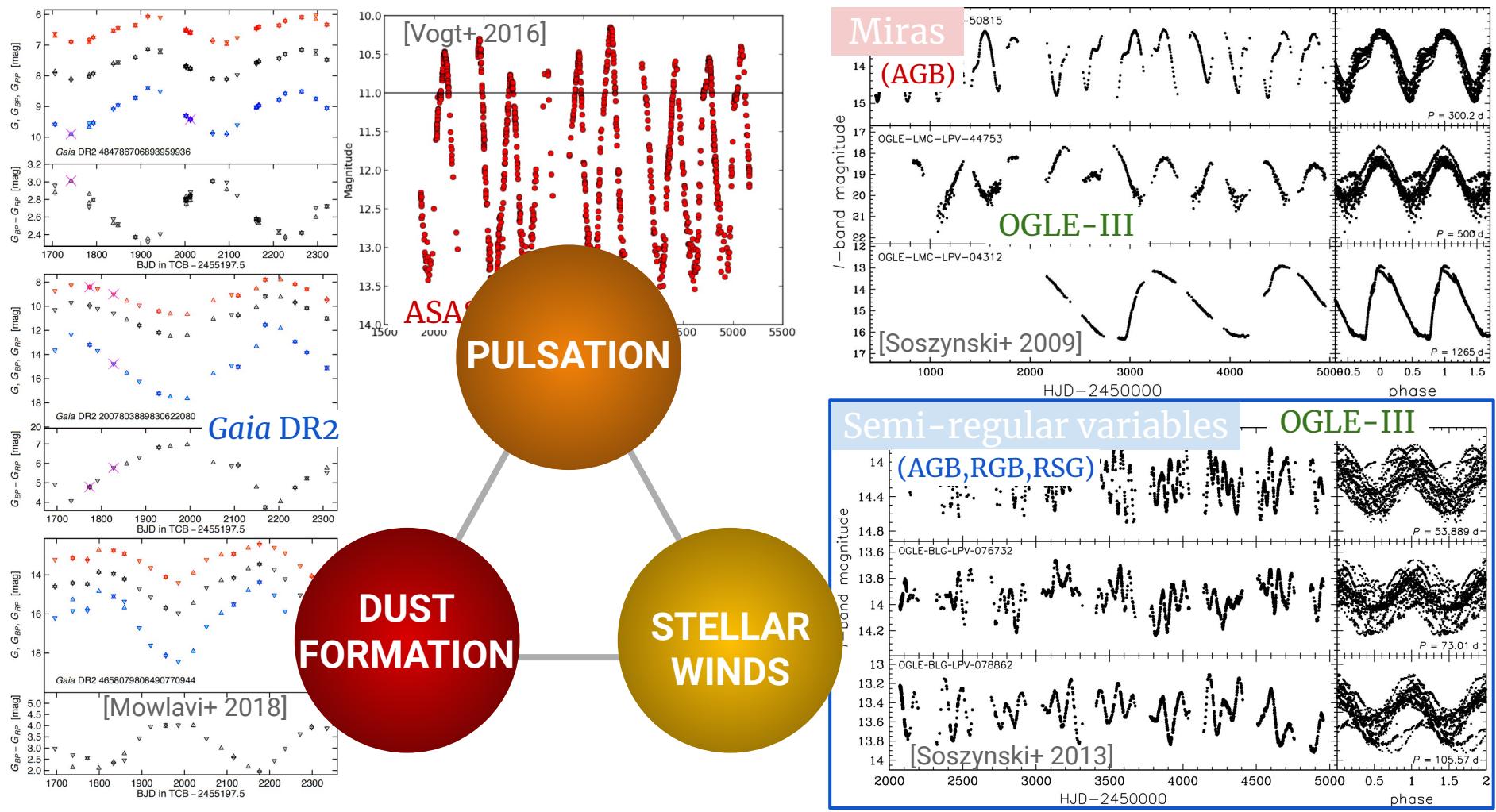
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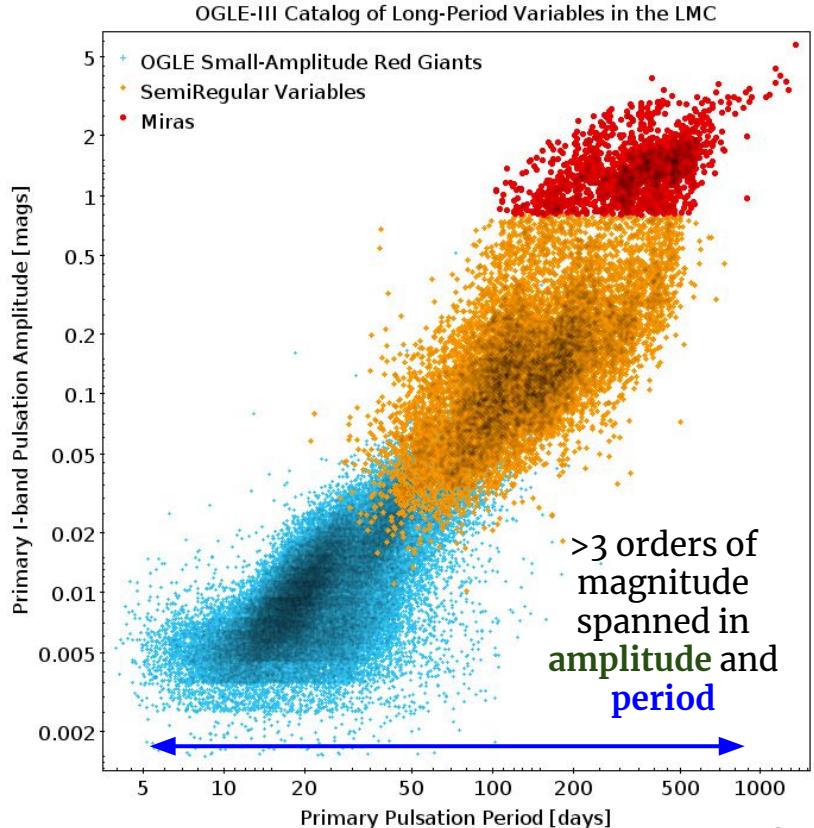
# Long-Period Variables



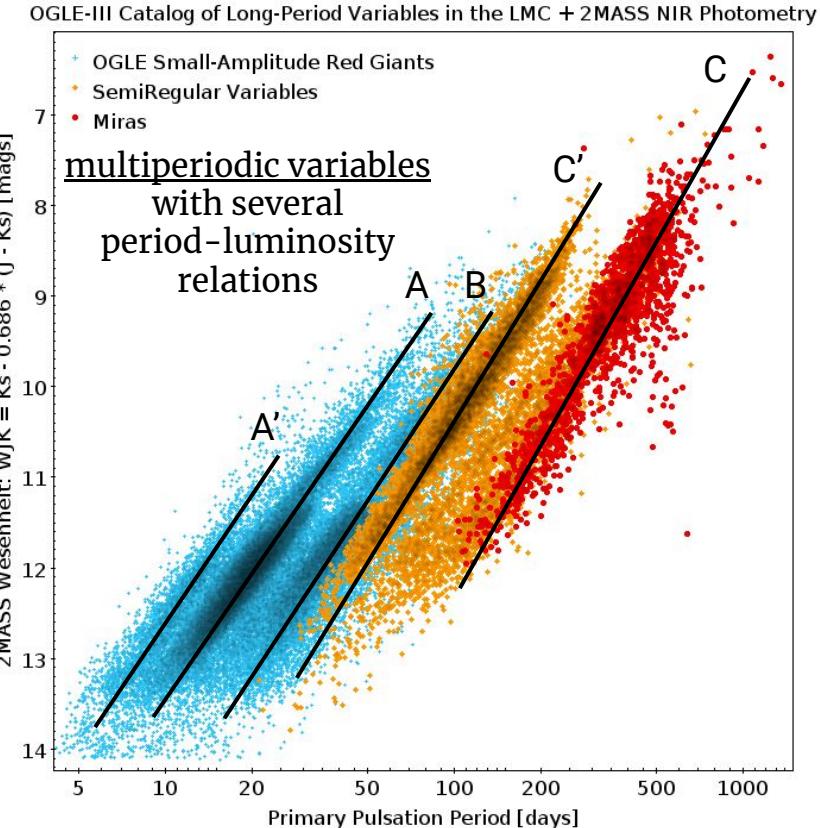




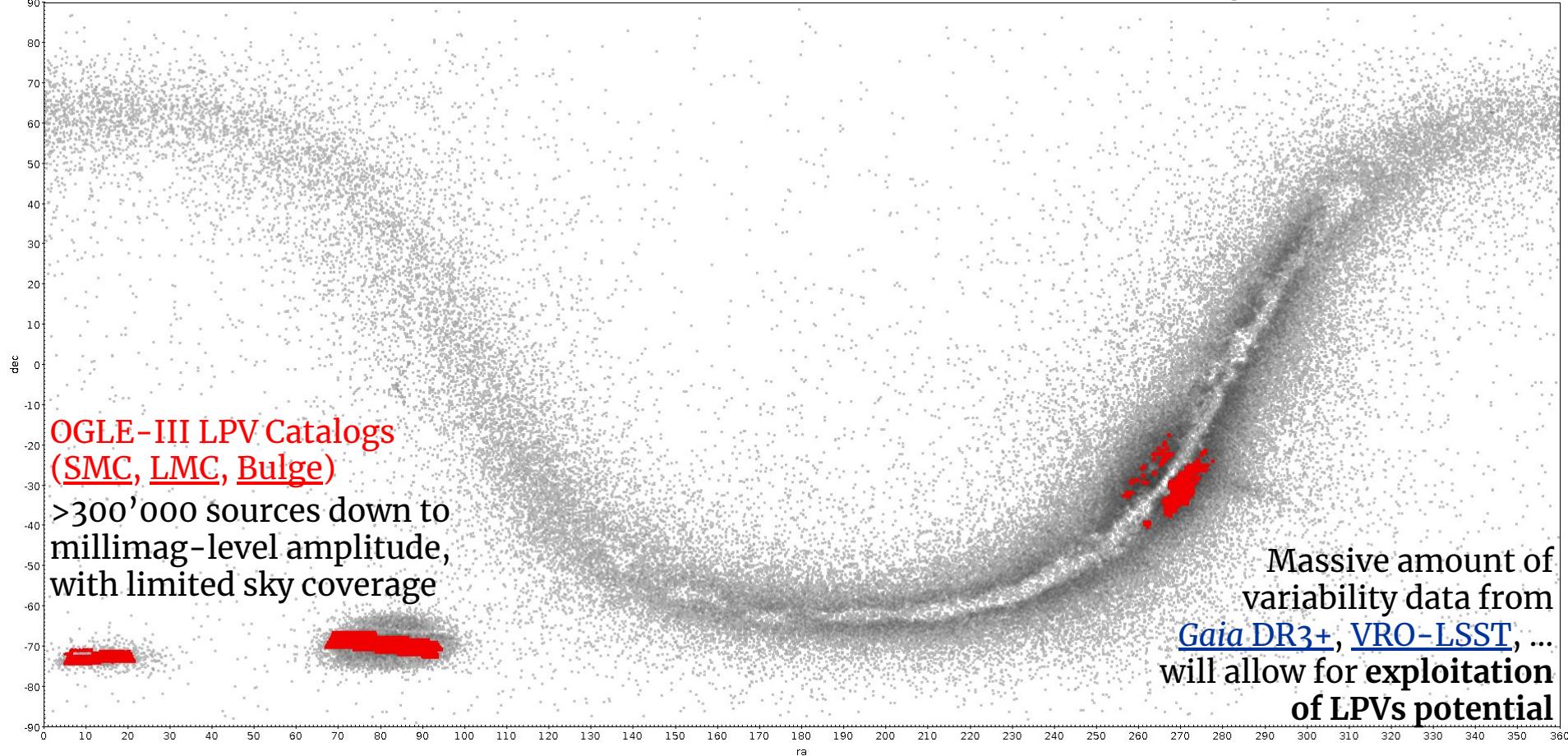


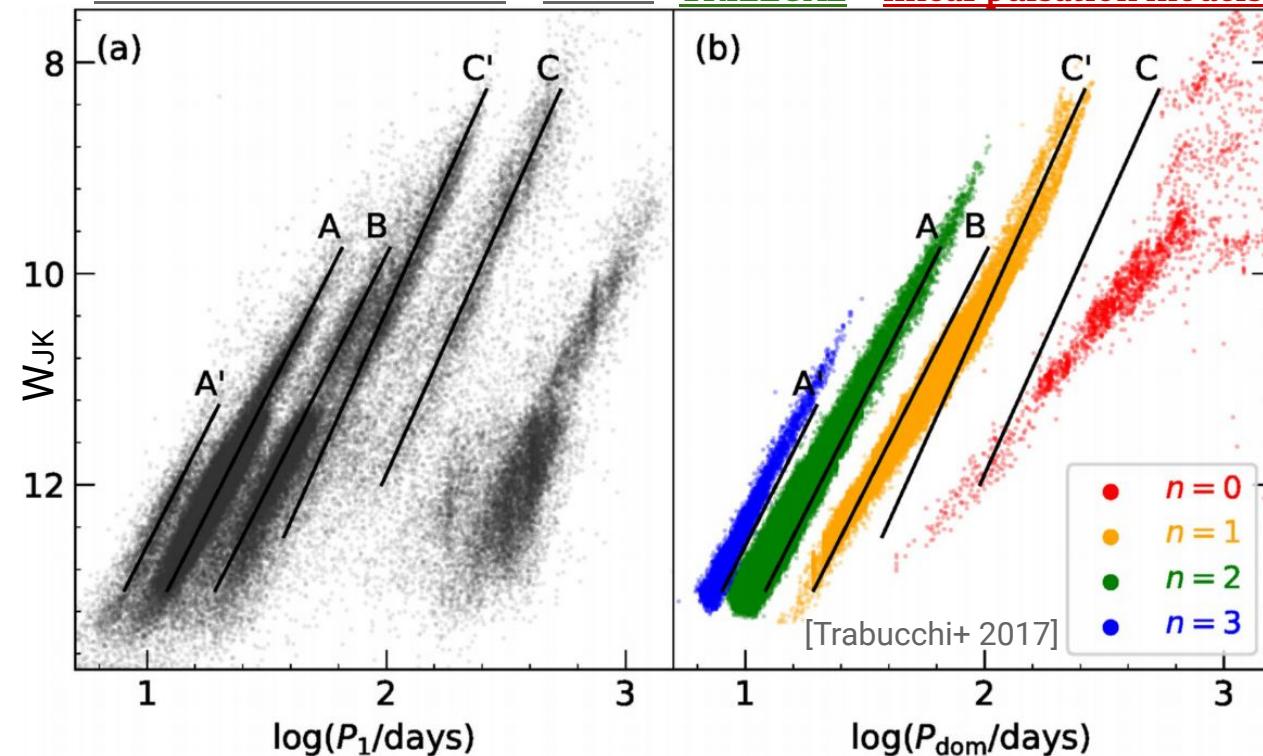


Data from: Soszynski+ 2009



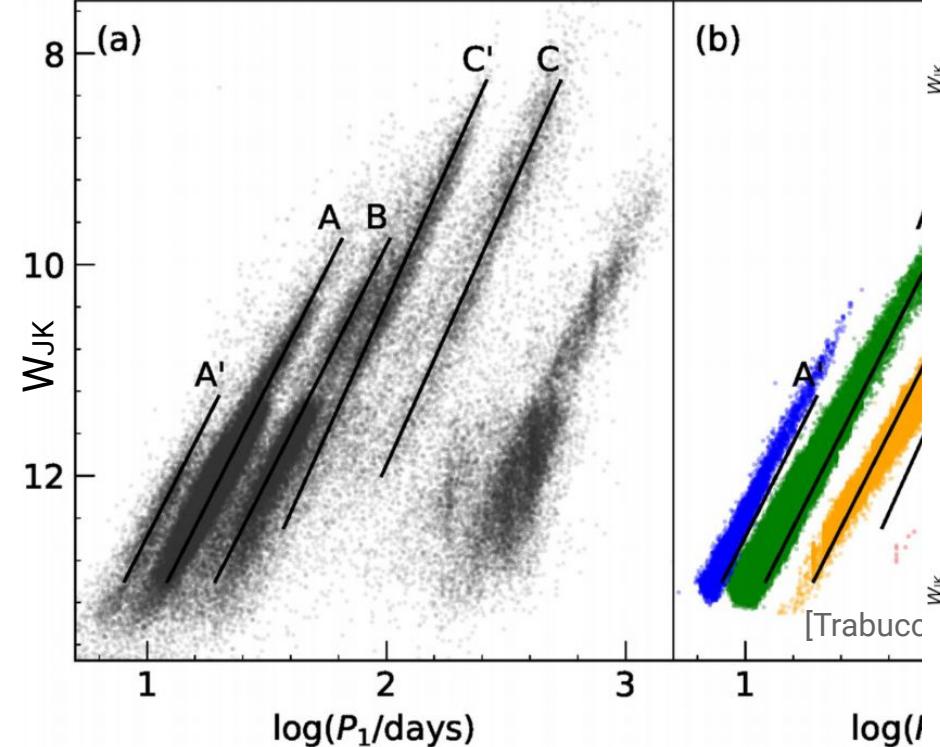
# Full-sky *Gaia* DR2 LPV catalog: >150'000 sources with amplitude > 0.2 mag [Mowlavi+ 2018]



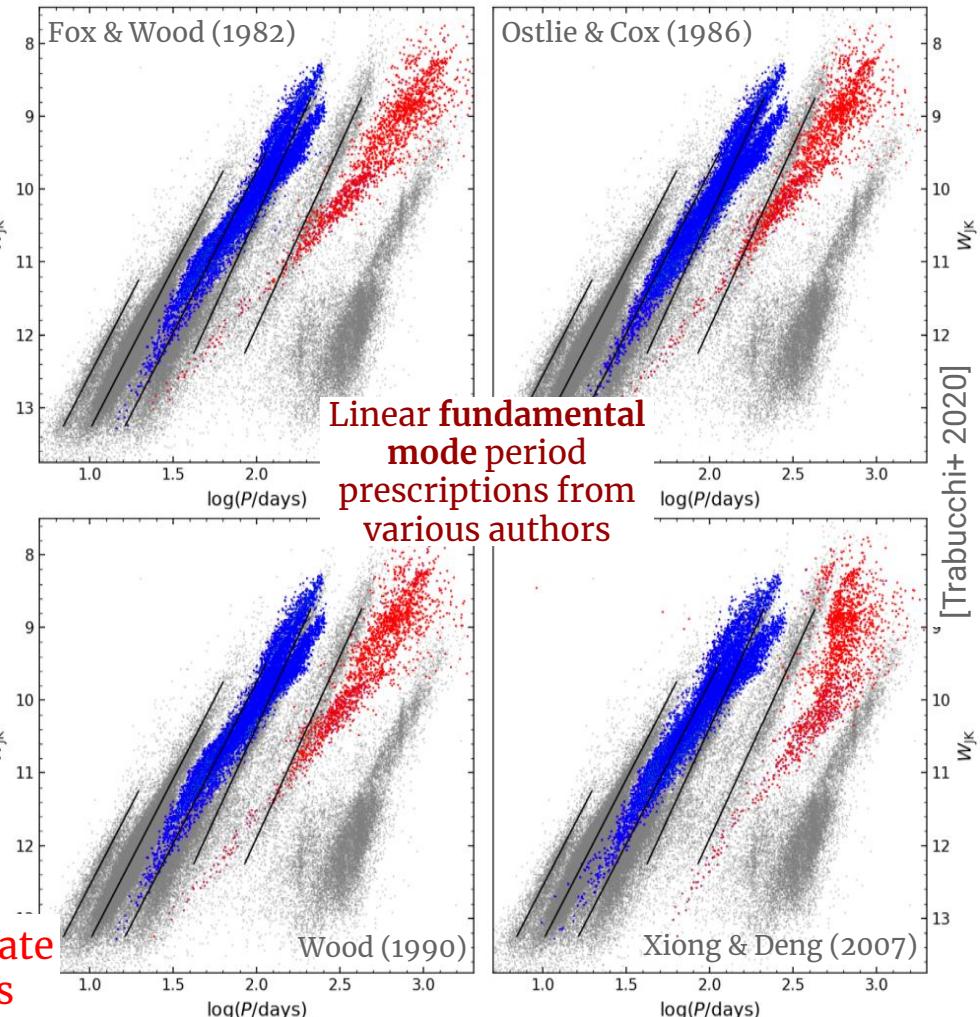


OGLE-III LPVs in the LMC + 2MASS

Synthetic LPV  
TRILEGAL + lin



Linear fundamental mode period prescriptions from various authors

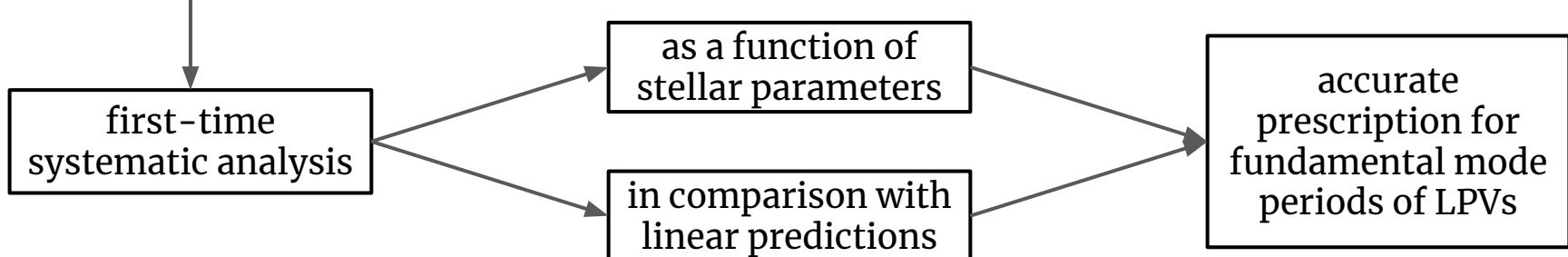


Linear pulsation models systematically overestimate the pulsation period of fundamental-mode LPVs



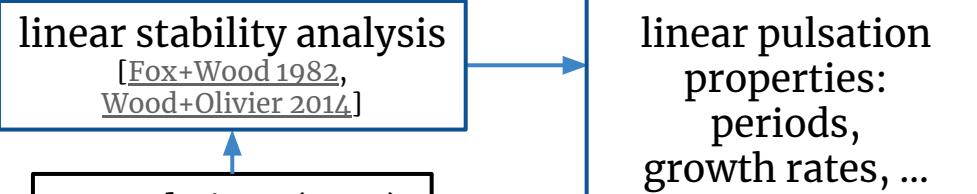
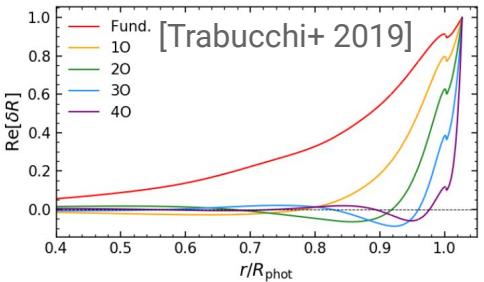
## Modelling long-period variables – II. Fundamental mode pulsation in the non-linear regime

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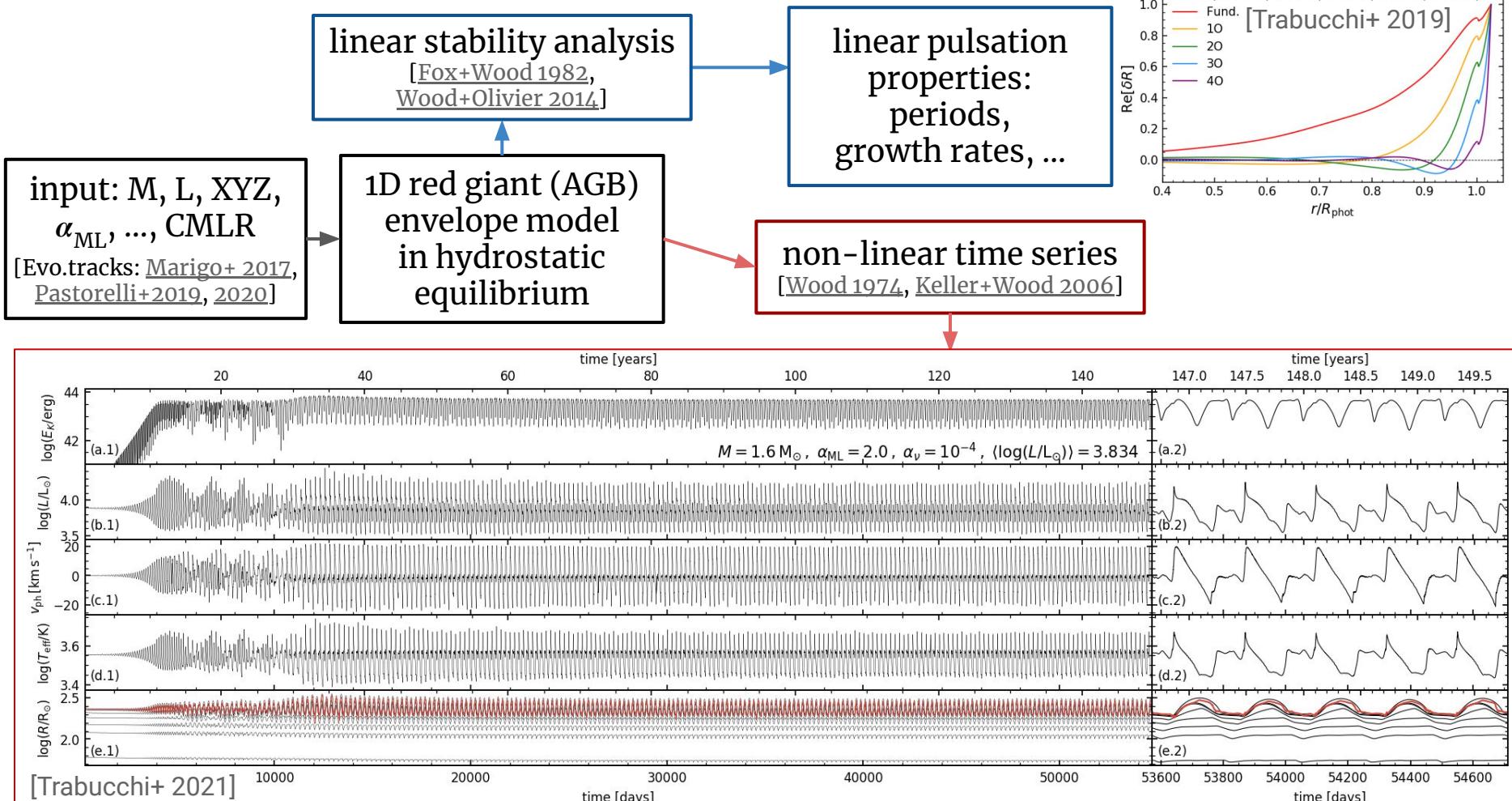
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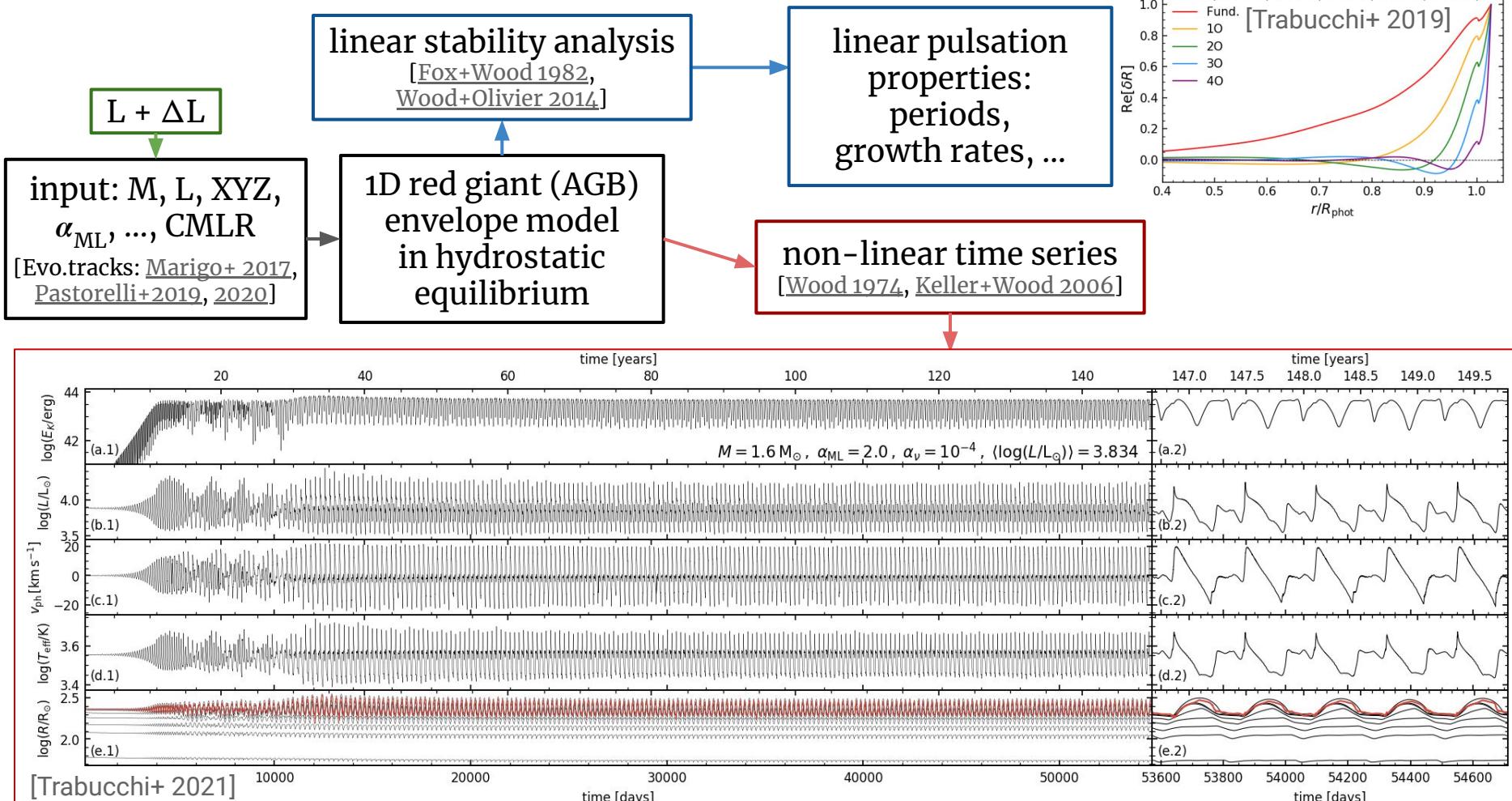
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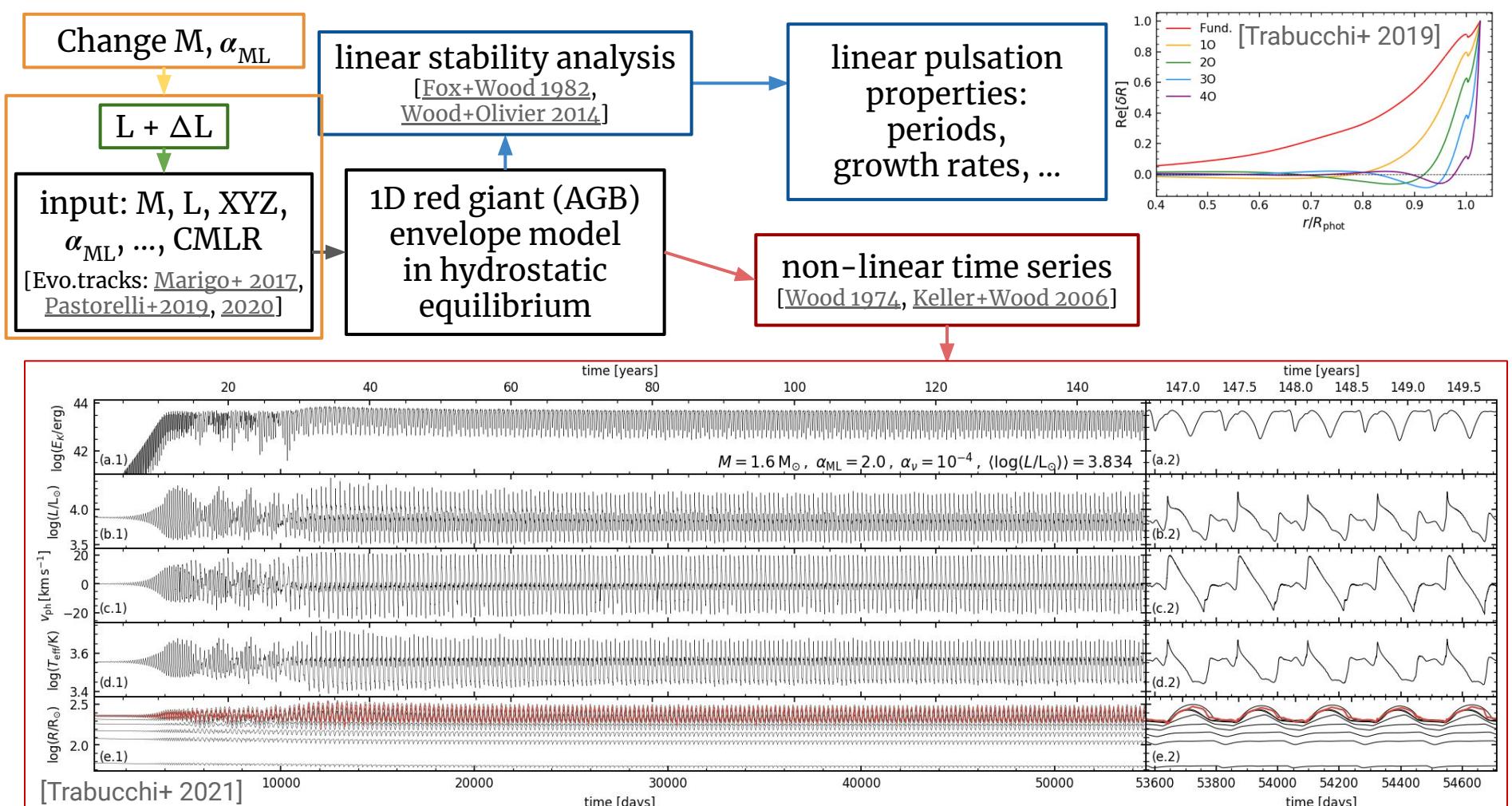


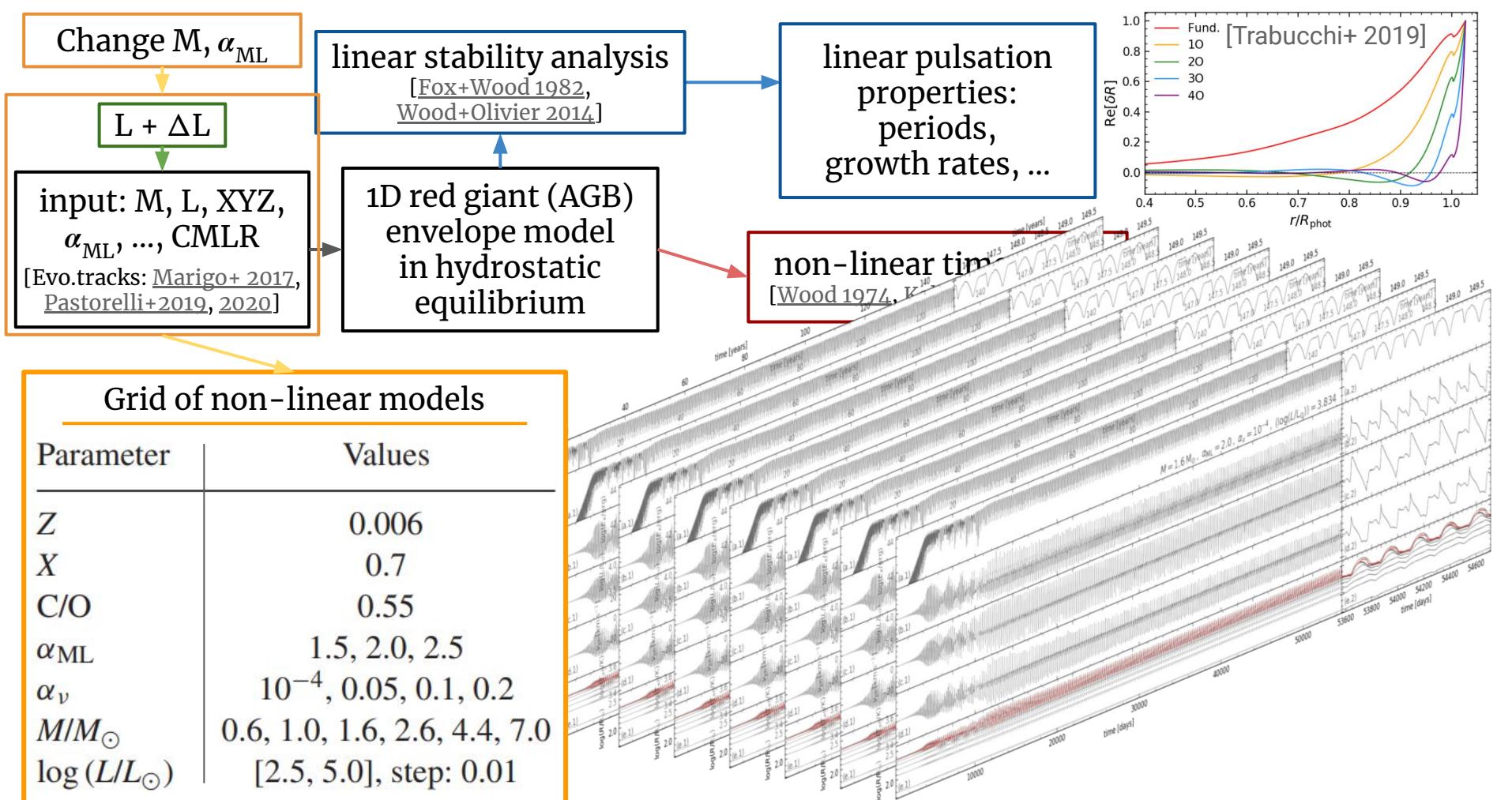
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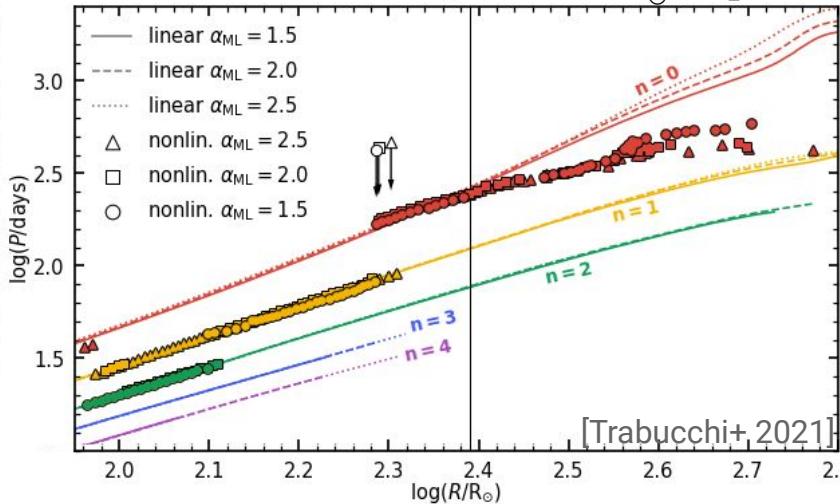




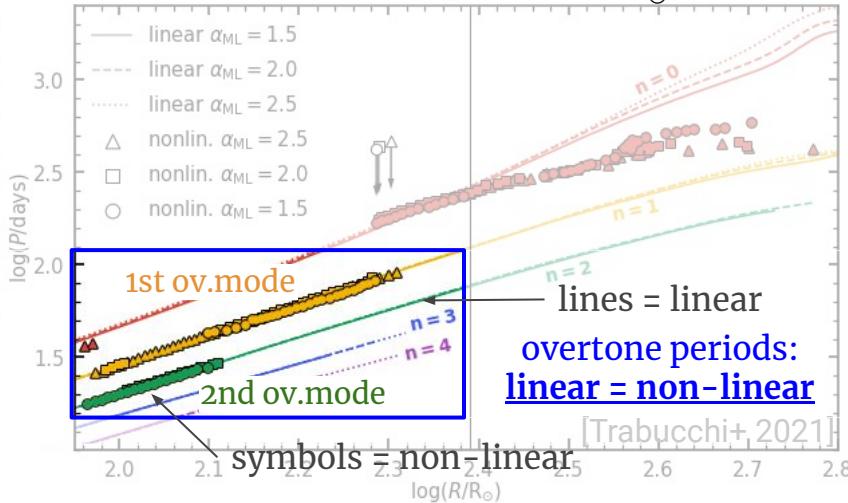




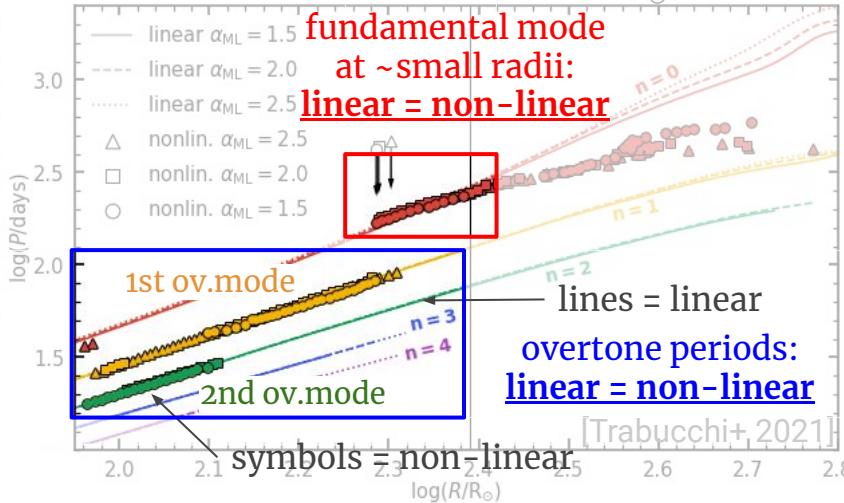
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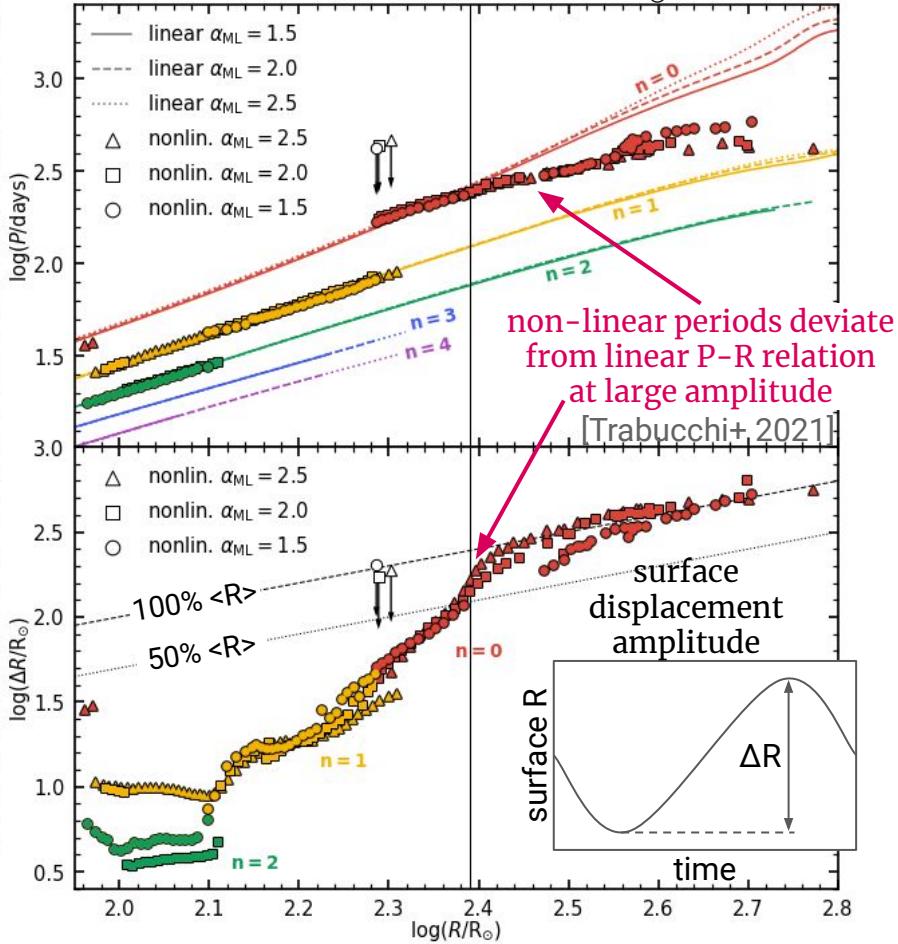
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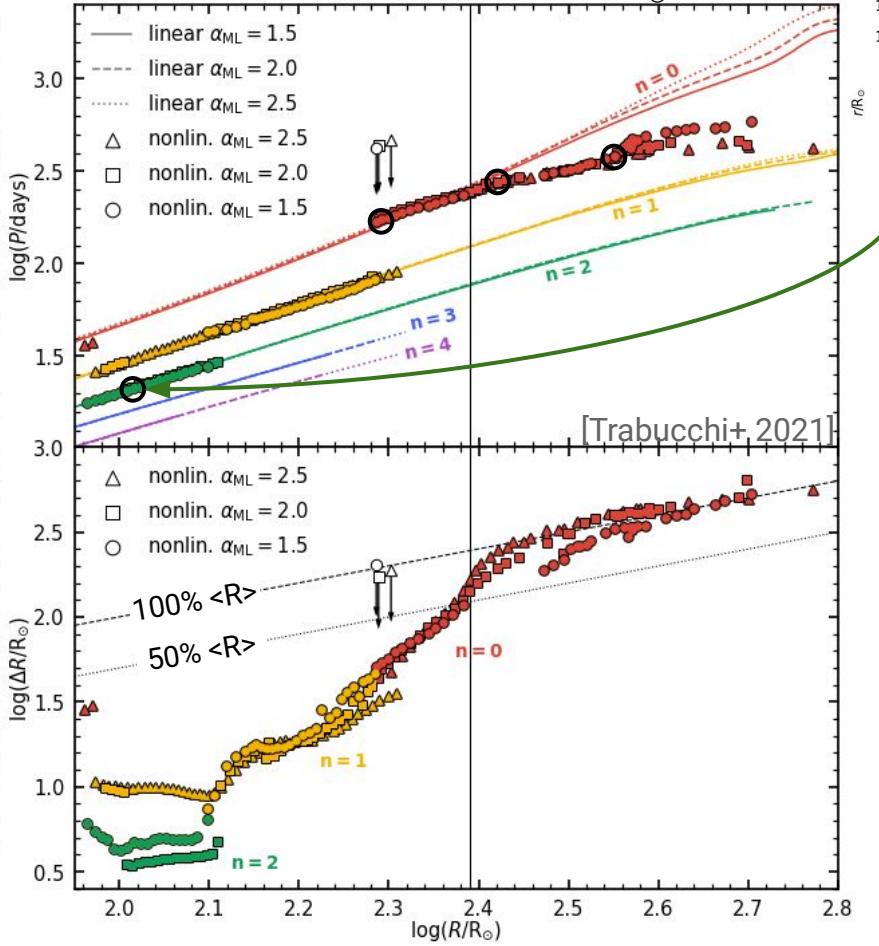
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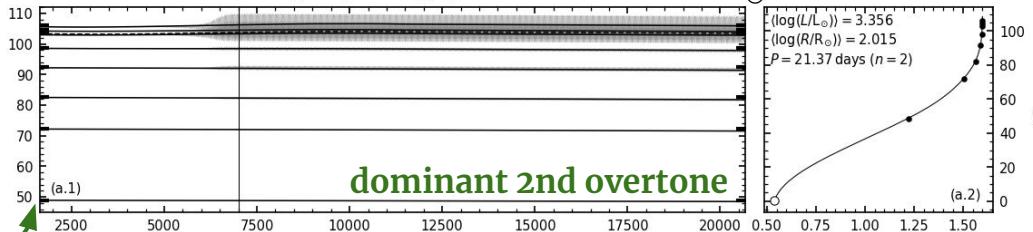
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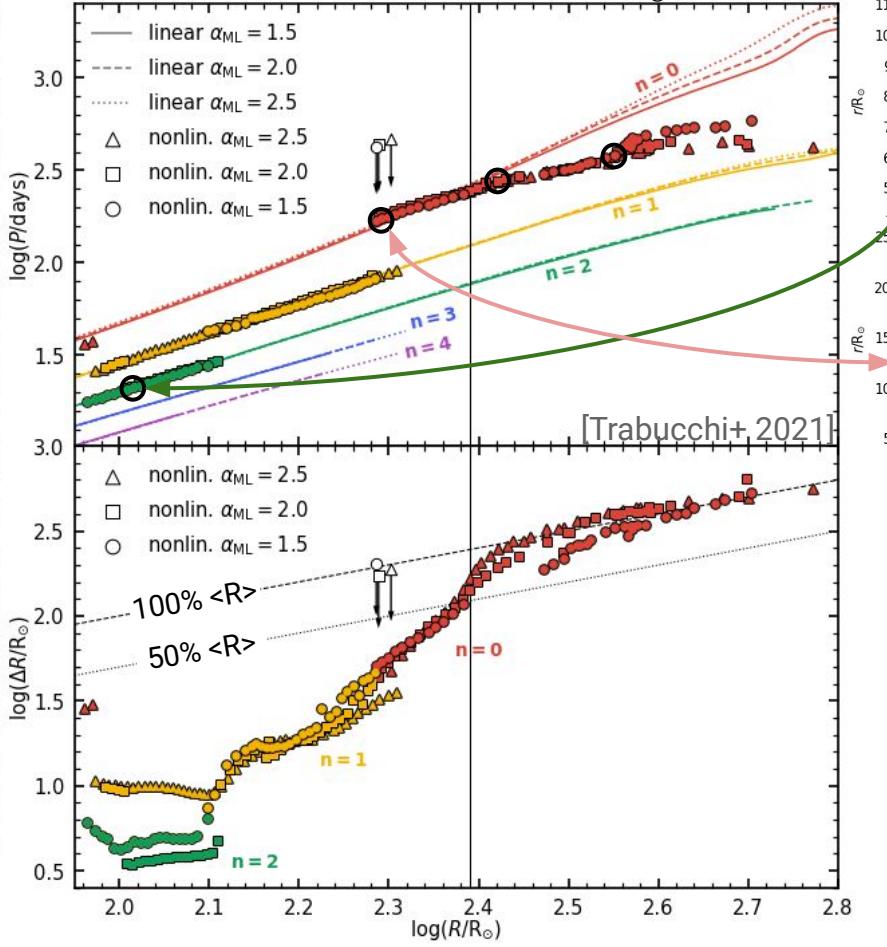
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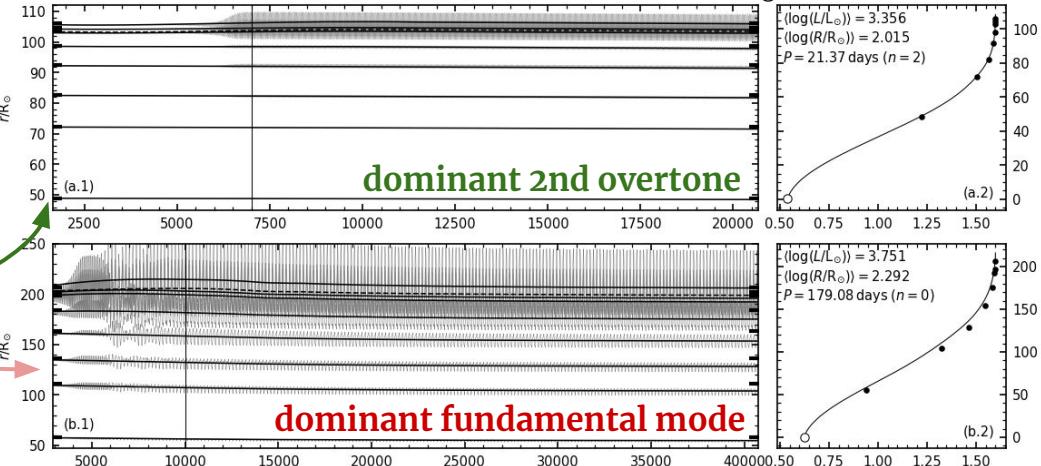
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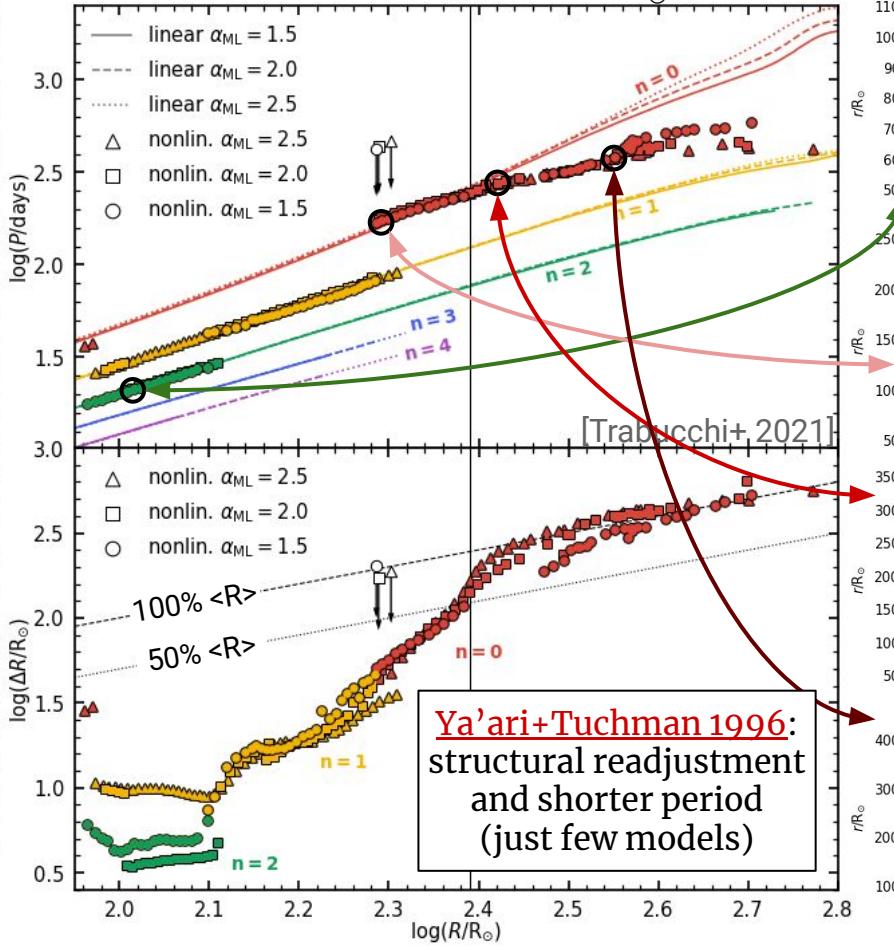
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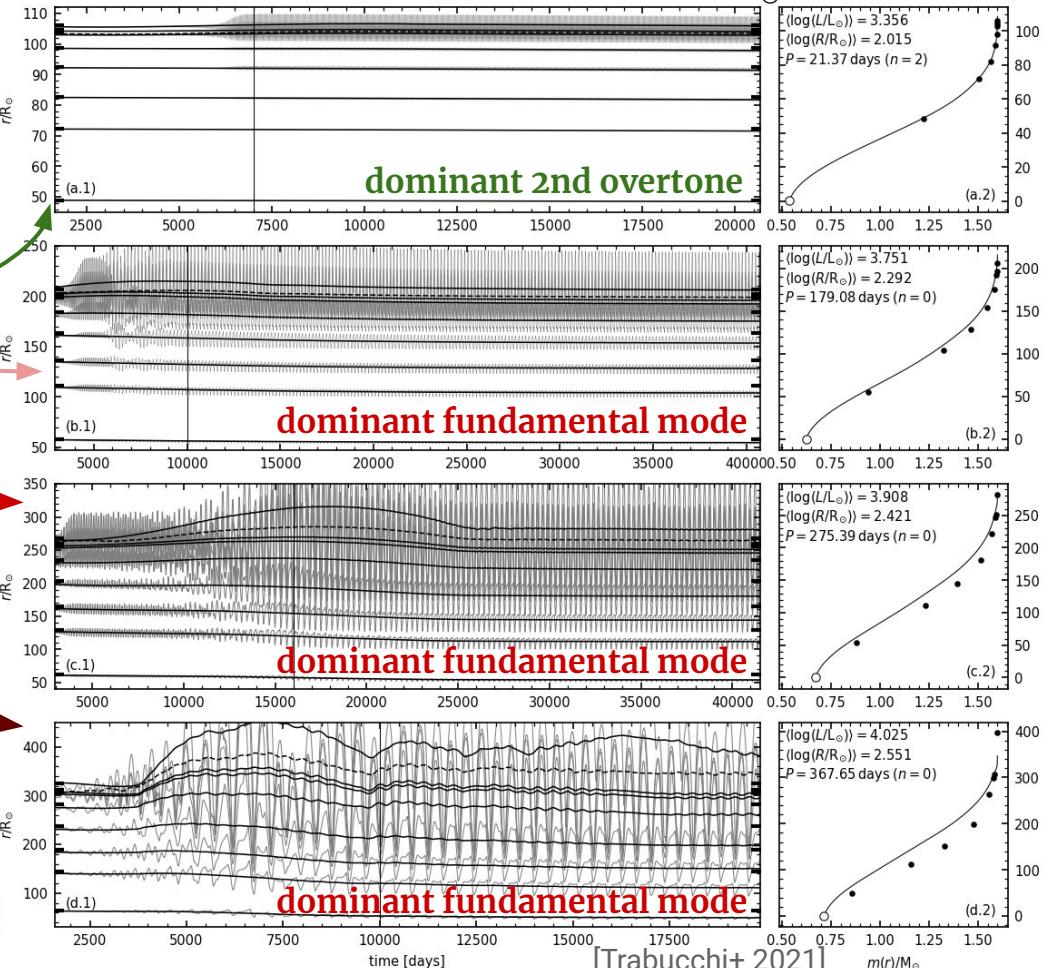
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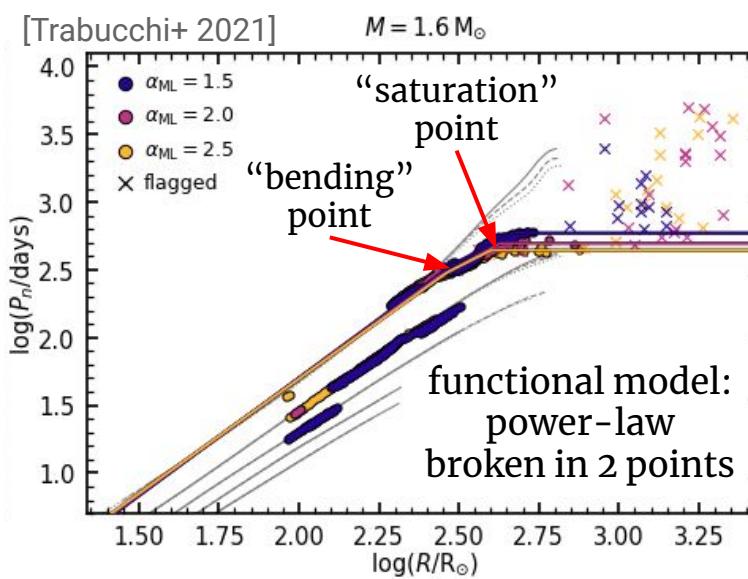


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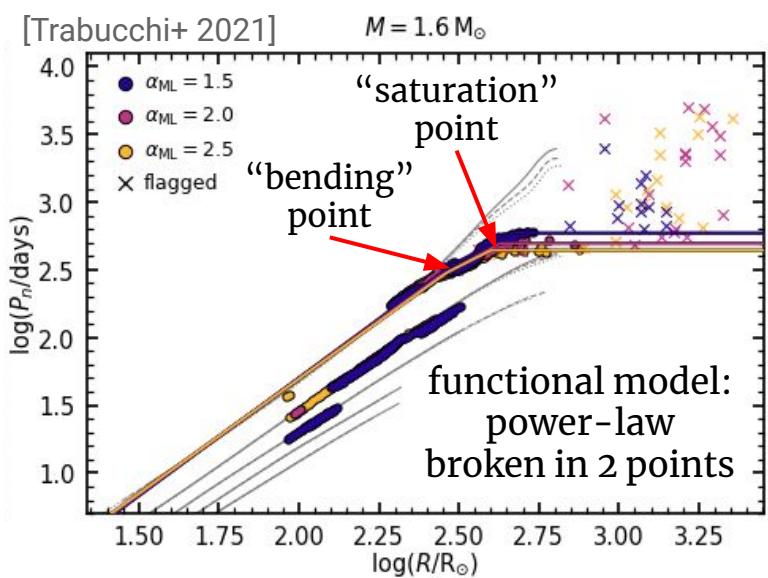
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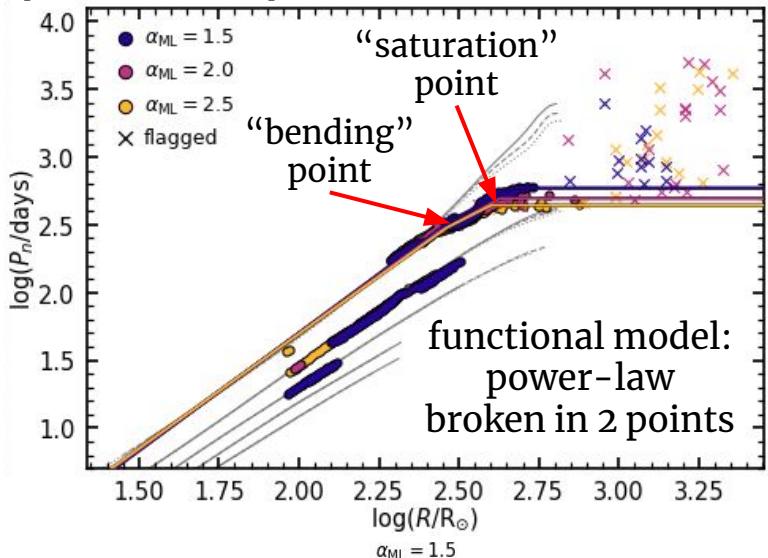


## non-linear fundamental mode P-R relation

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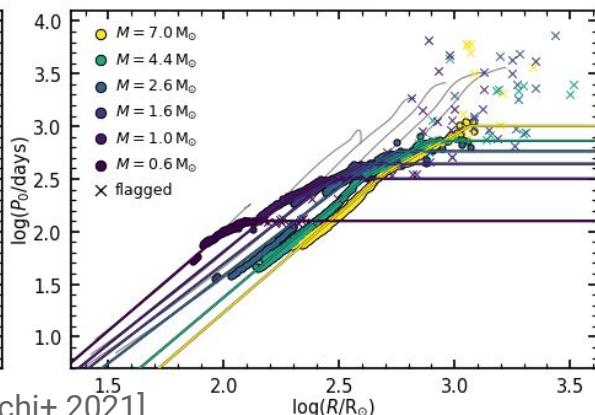
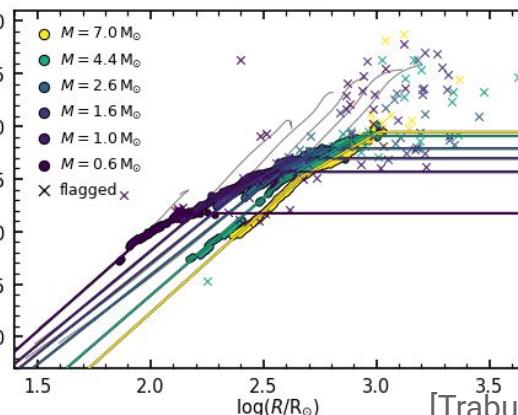
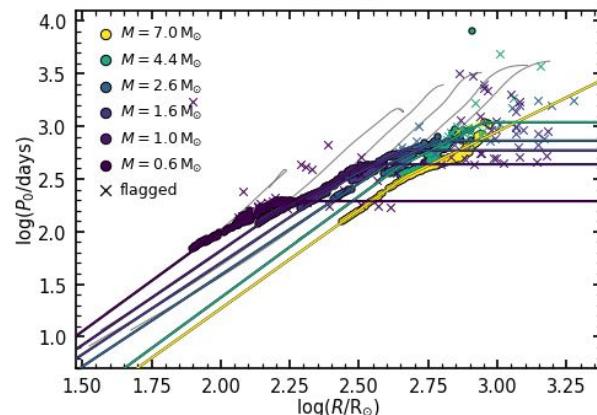
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Mass-dependence  
of best-fit parameters

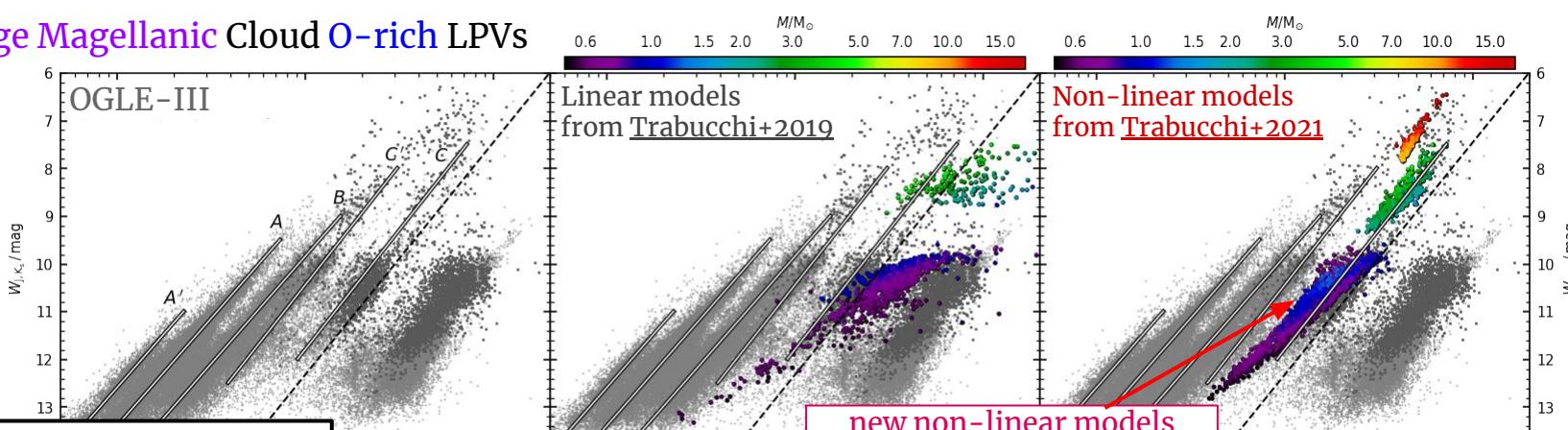
Parameter	$k_b$	$M_b^k$	$\gamma_1^k$	$\gamma_2^k$
$\log(R_b)$	$421 R_{\odot}$	$2.6 M_{\odot}$	0.952	0.114
$\log(P_b)$	440 d	$2.6 M_{\odot}$	0.976	-0.264
$\log(R_s)$	$311 R_{\odot}$	$1.0 M_{\odot}$	1.590	0.654
$\log(P_s)$	388 d	$1.0 M_{\odot}$	1.808	0.502
$\alpha$	49.7	$2.6 M_{\odot}$	-0.279	0.544

$$K = \begin{cases} \log(k_b) + \gamma_1^k \log(M/M_b^k) & \text{if } M < M_b^k \\ \log(k_b) + \gamma_2^k \log(M/M_b^k) & \text{if } M_b^k \leq M \end{cases}$$

non-linear  
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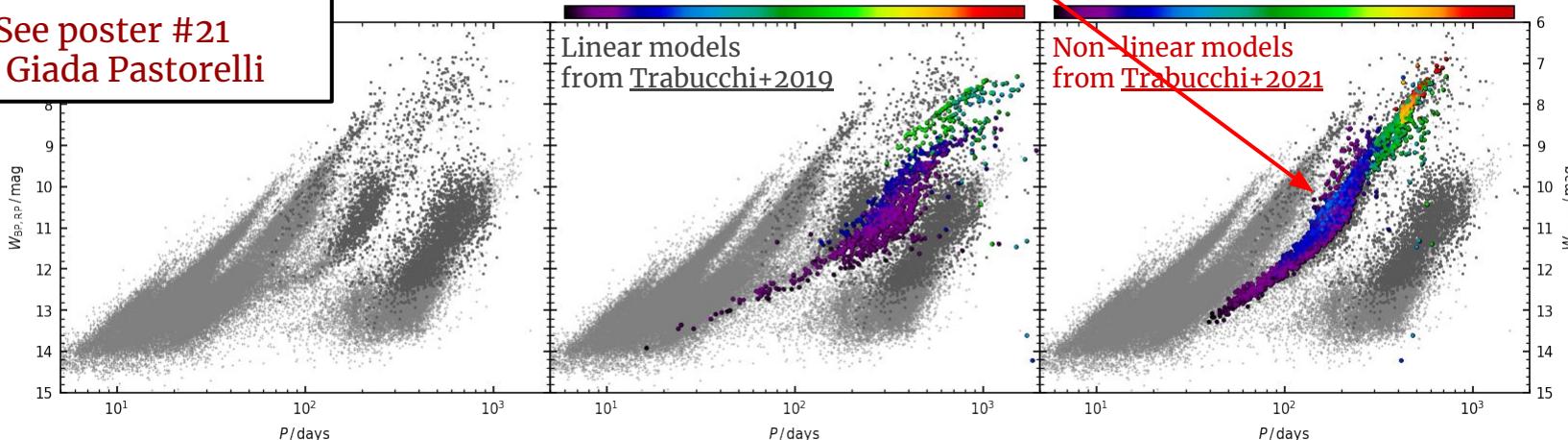
# Large Magellanic Cloud O-rich LPVs



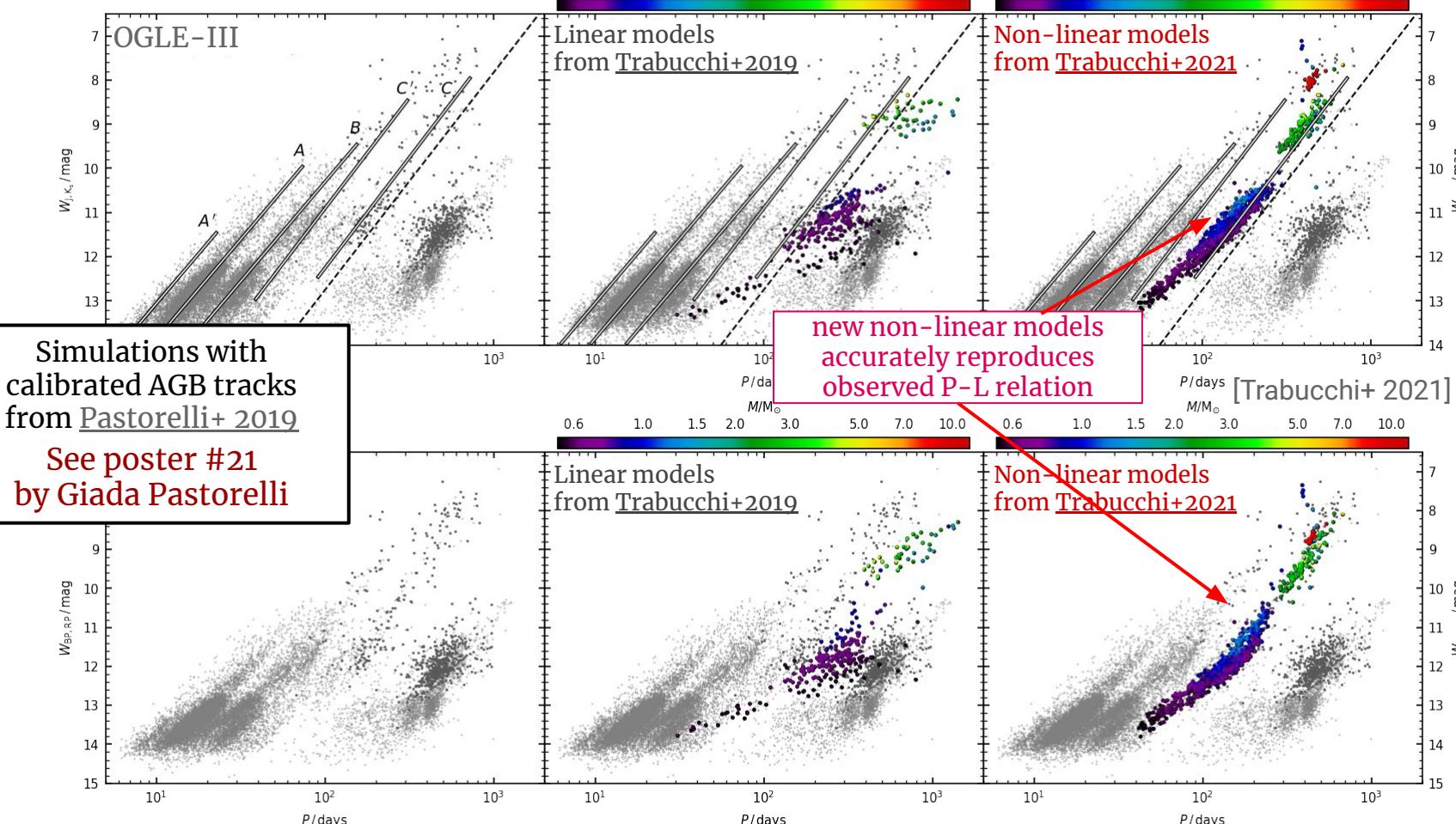
Simulations with calibrated AGB tracks from [Pastorelli+ 2020](#)

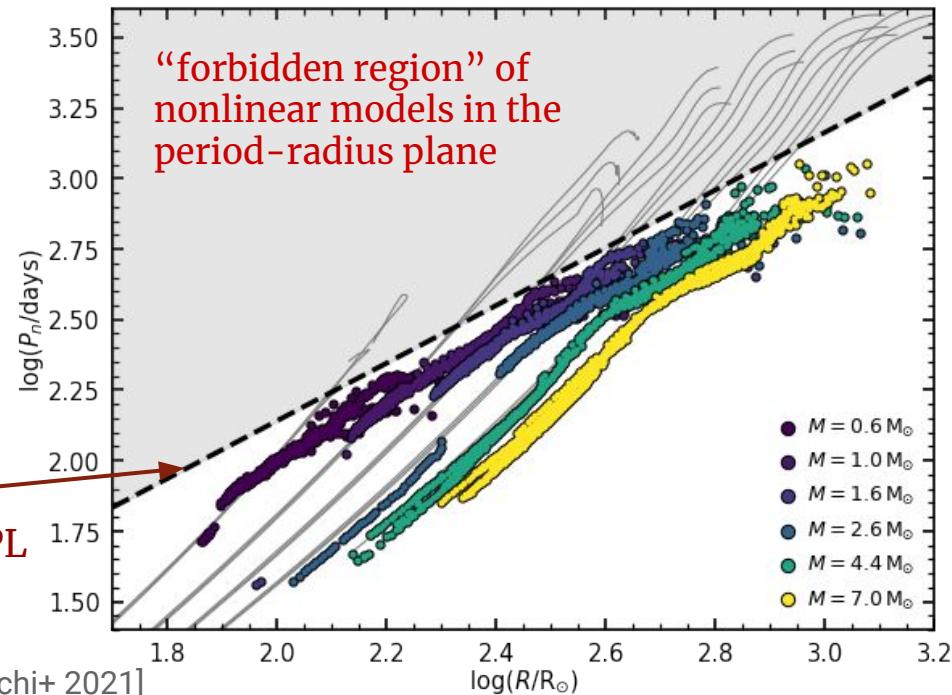
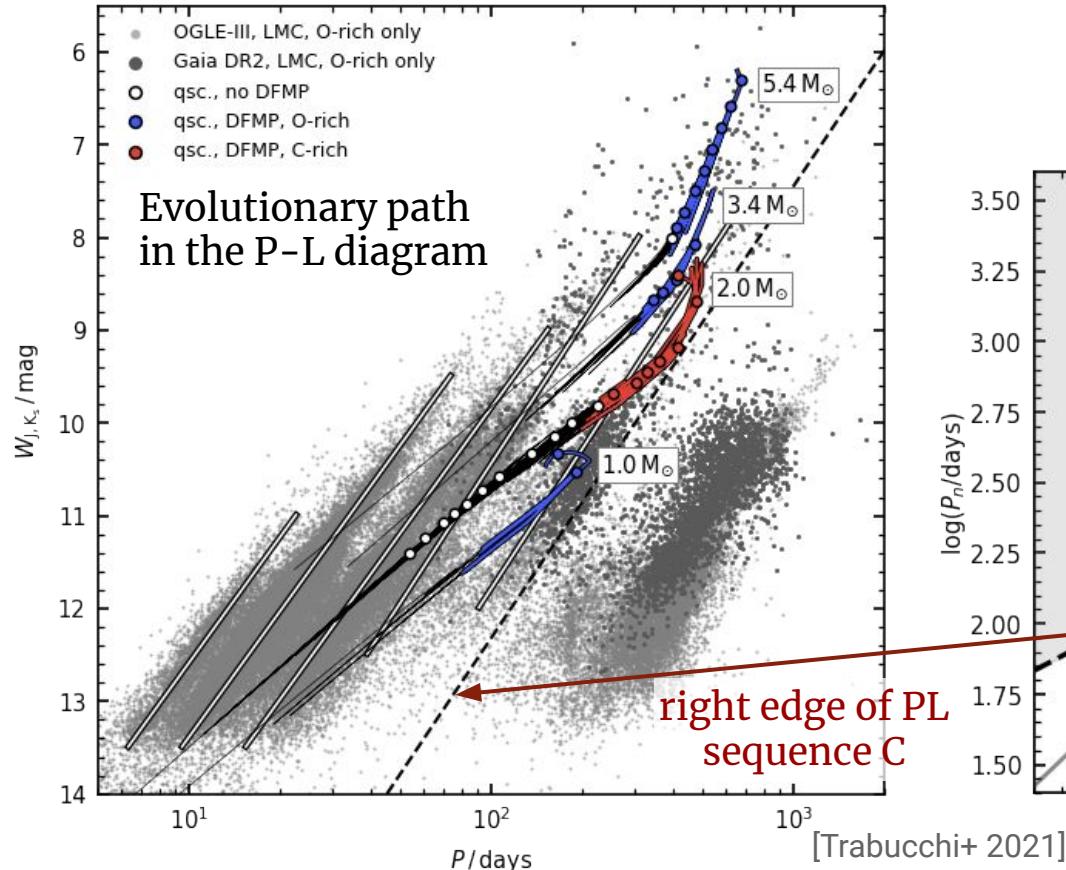
See poster #21 by Giada Pastorelli

new non-linear models accurately reproduces observed P-L relation



# Small Magellanic Cloud O-rich LPVs

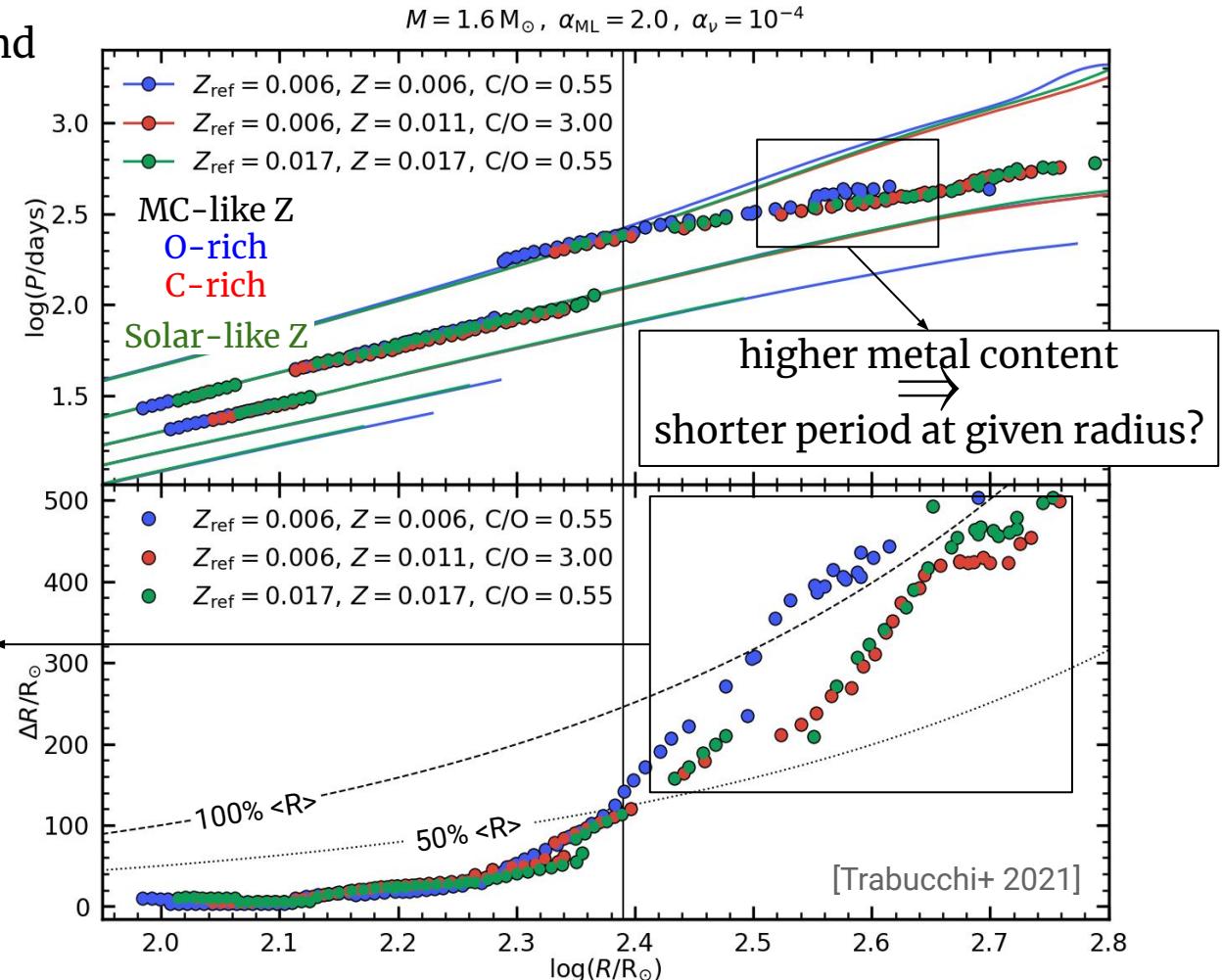




# Test models for C-rich and solar-metallicity cases

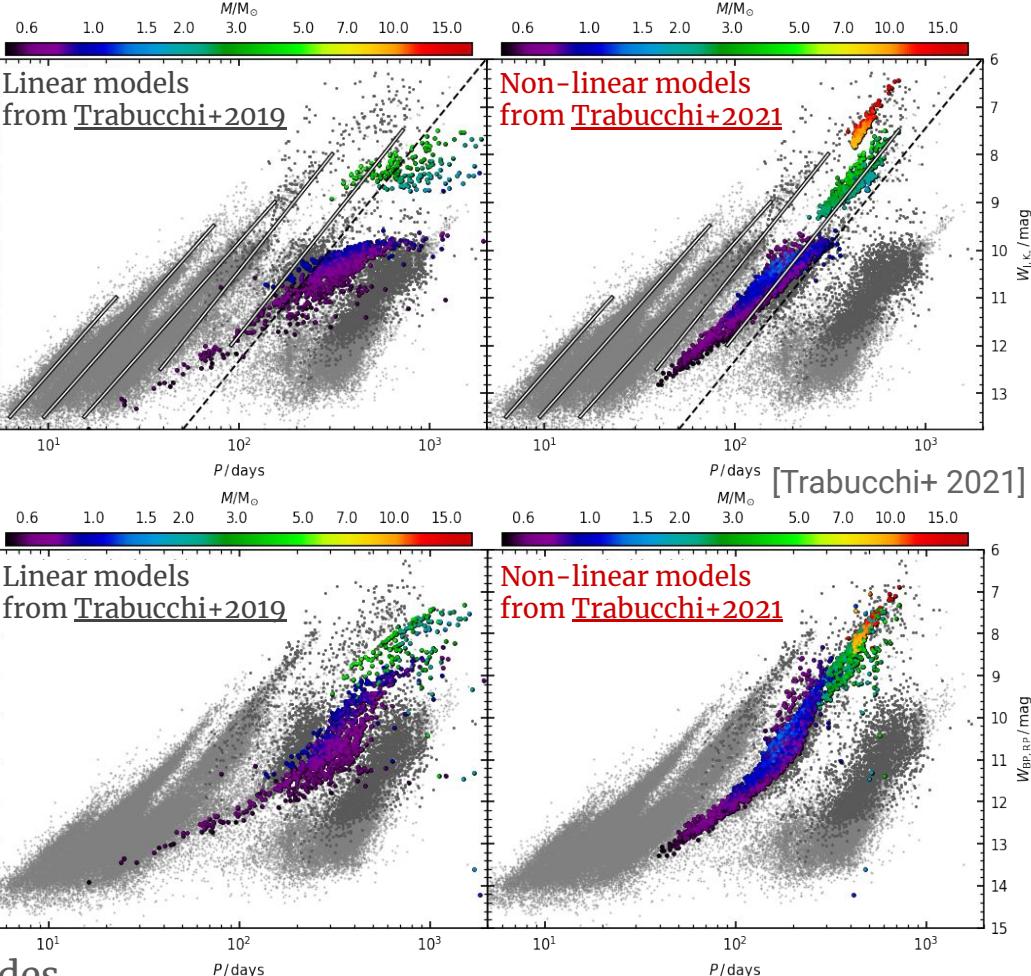
Different amplitude at given radius in the strongly non-linear regime:  
possible effects on the shape of the PR relation?

... further investigation required...



# Summary

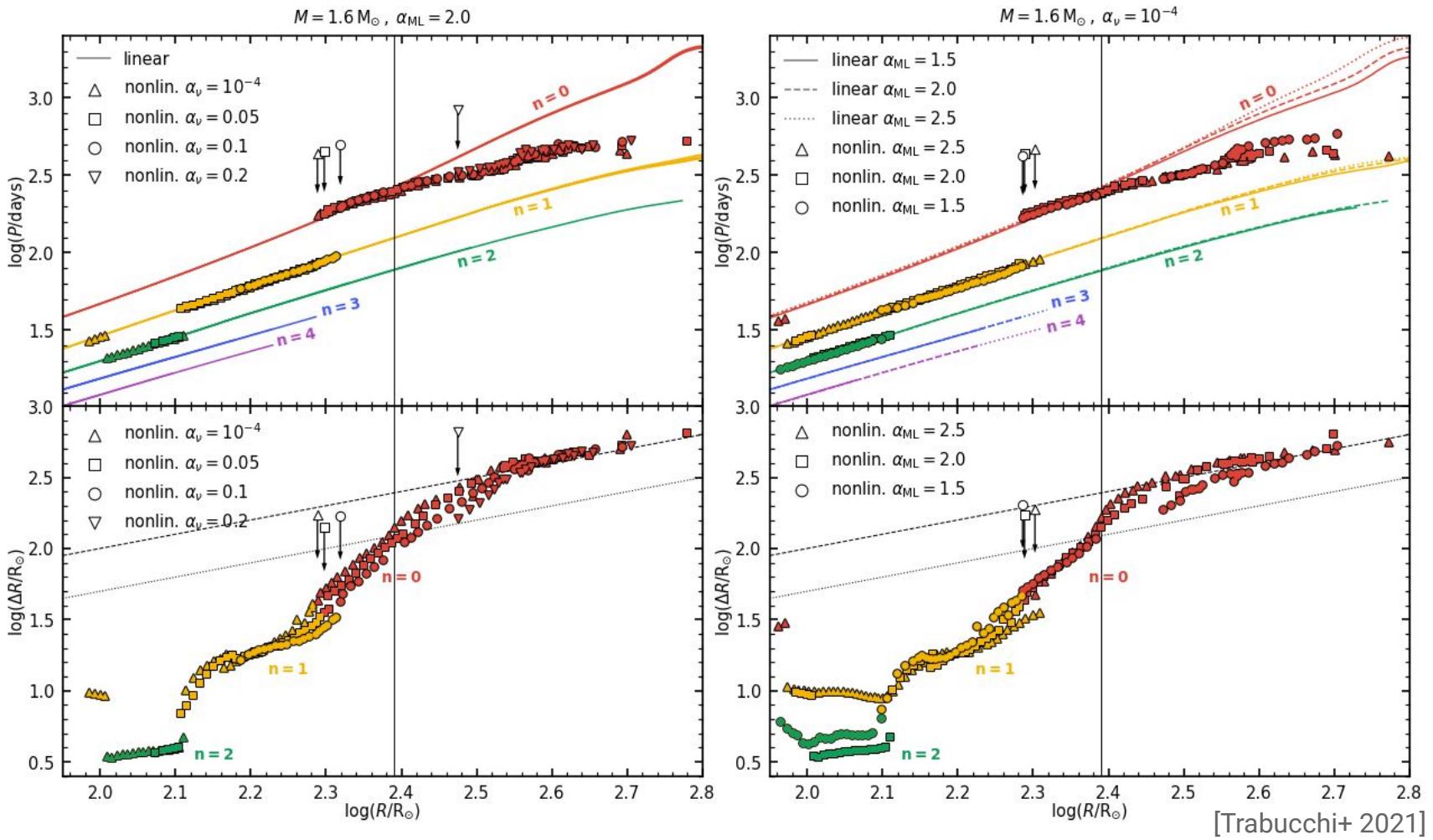
- Grid of non-linear pulsation models
- Wide coverage of AGB parameters M, L (T)
- Single composition: O-rich, MC-like Z
- Pulsation feedback on envelope structure
- Analytic best-fit P-M-R relation
- First accurate prescription for FM period
- Much better agreement with observation
- Linear overtone periods validated
- Explains right edge of Miras P-L sequence
- Possible effects of metallicity

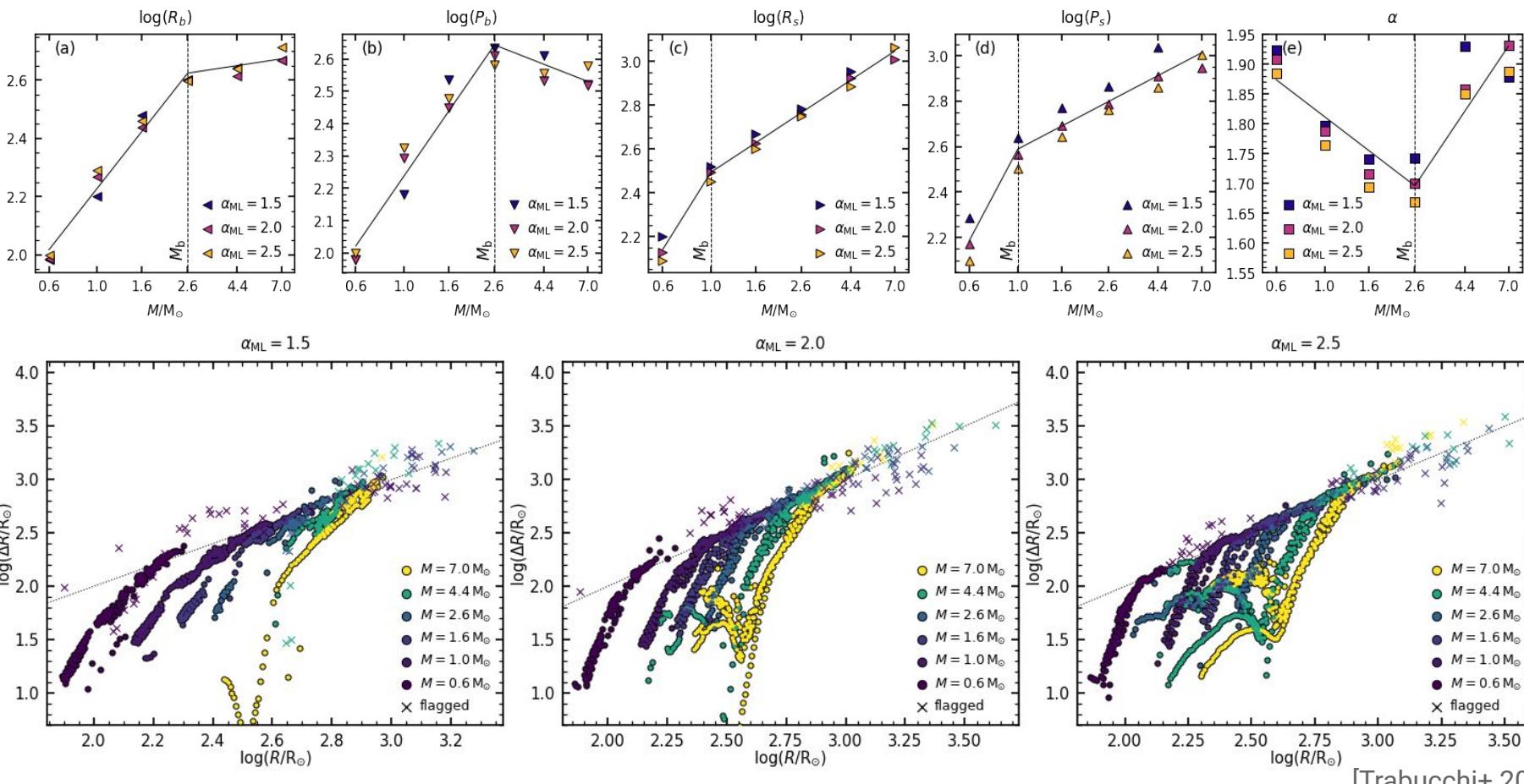


## Next steps

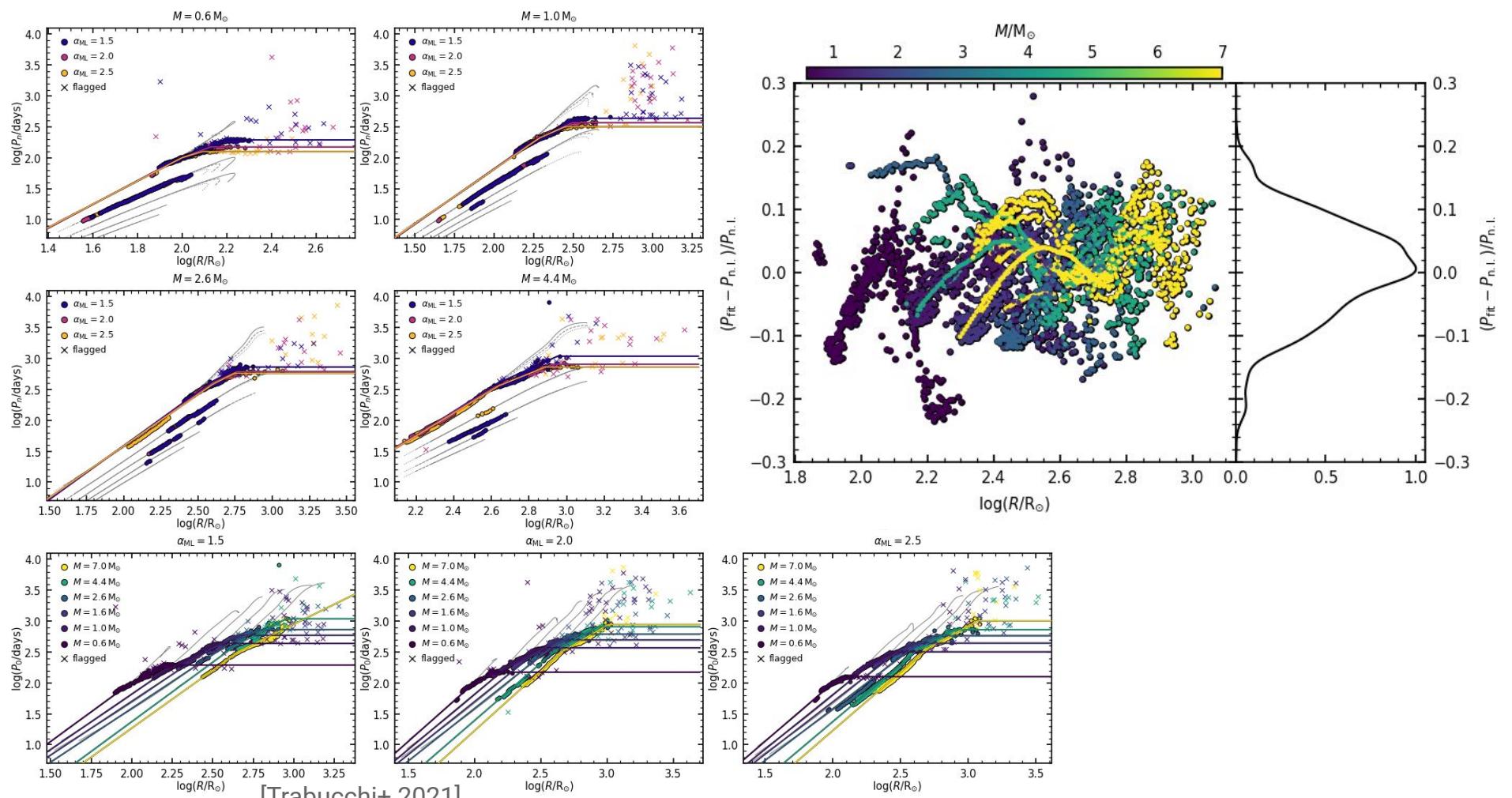
- Extend to C-rich, higher/lower Z
- Investigate multi-periodicity
- Mode shifting and dependence on M,T,Z...
- Synthetic light curves, photometric amplitudes

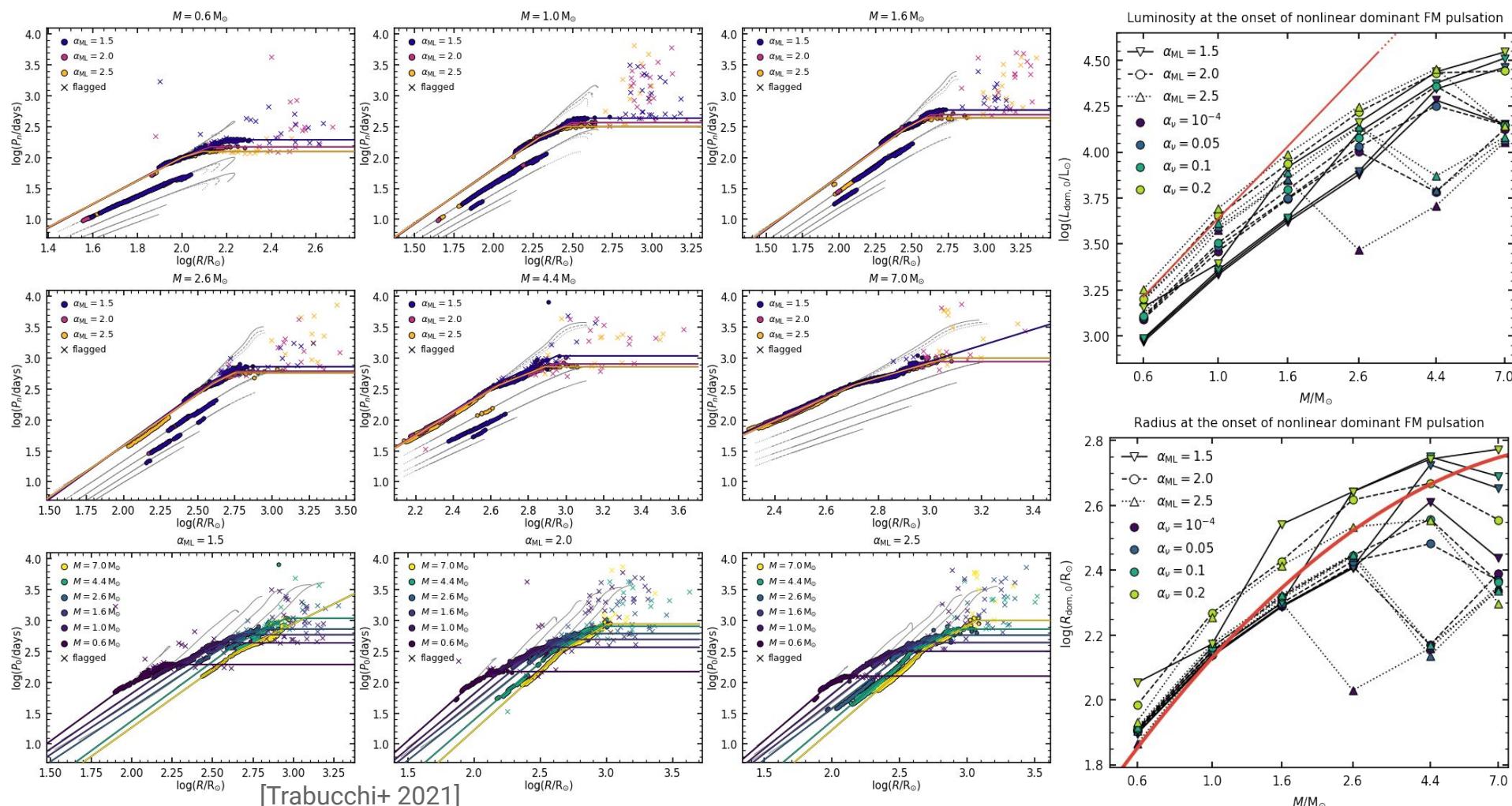


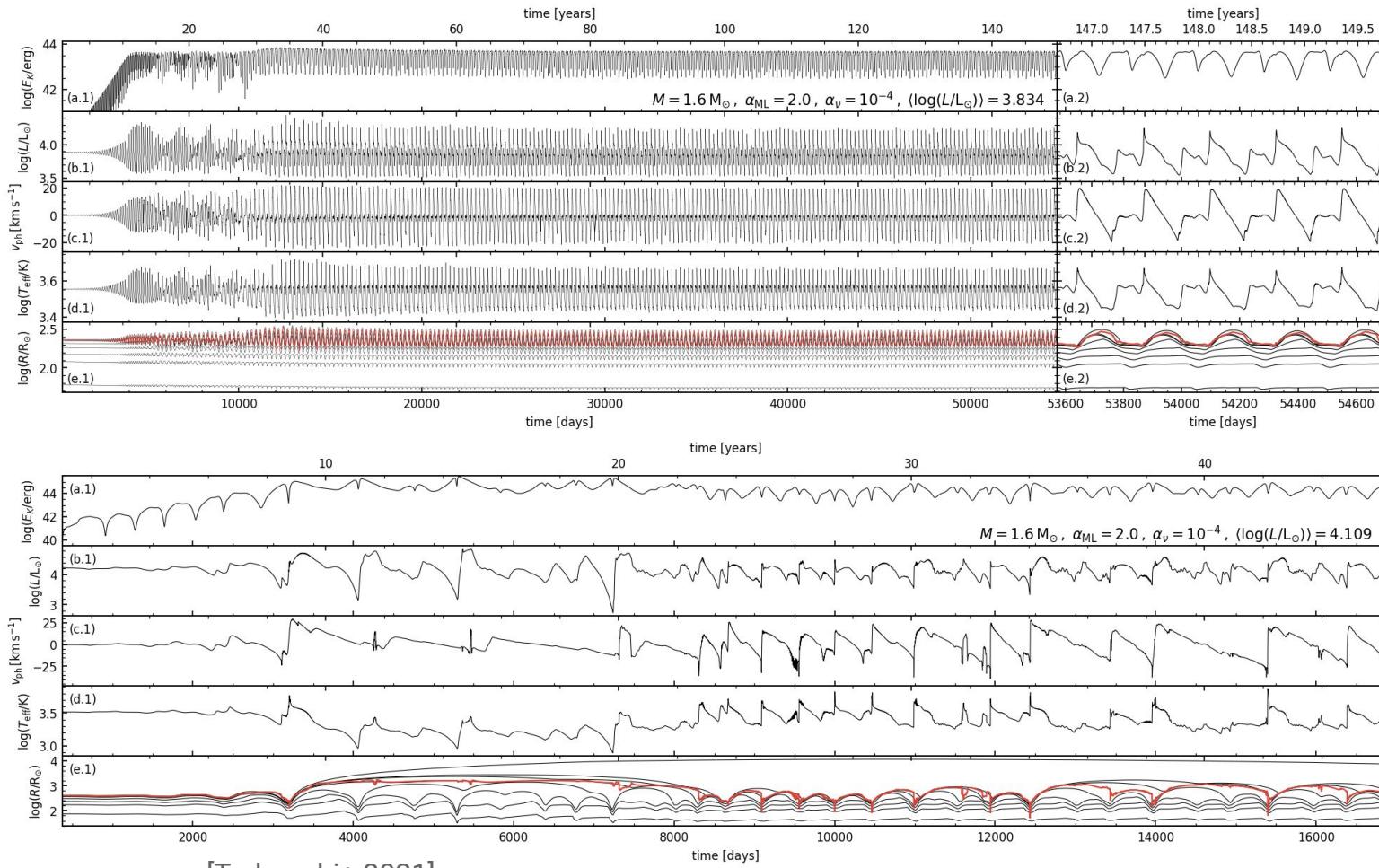




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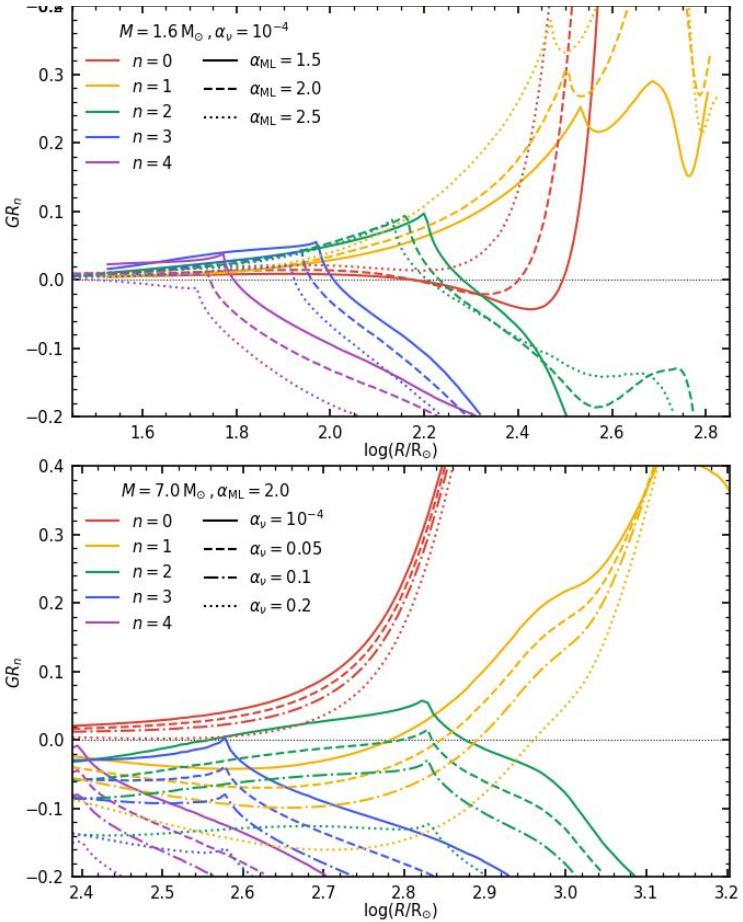
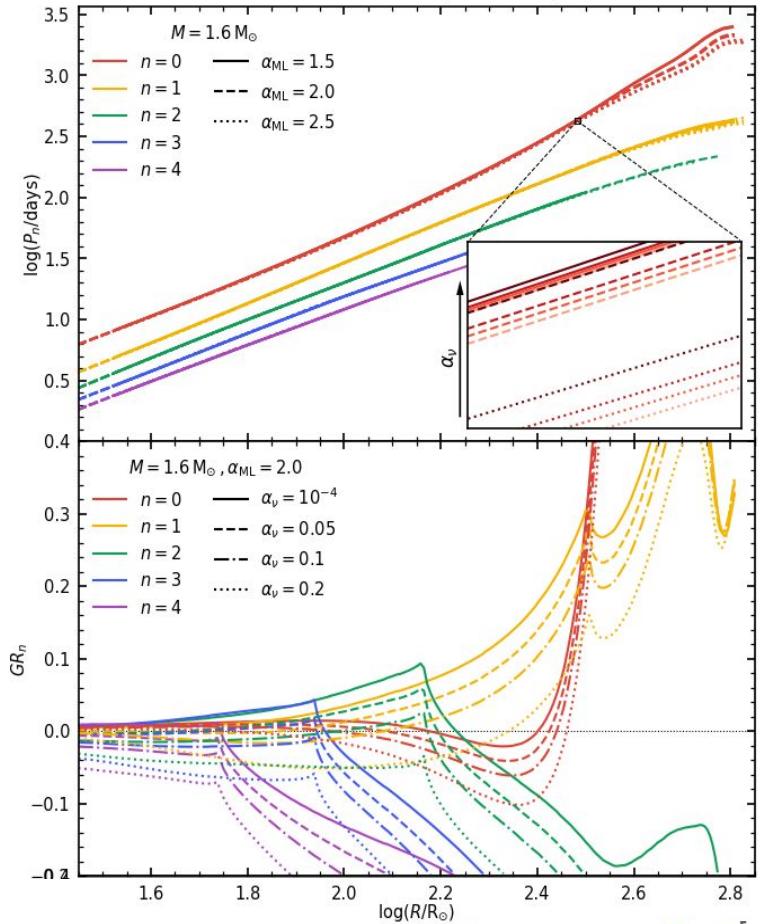






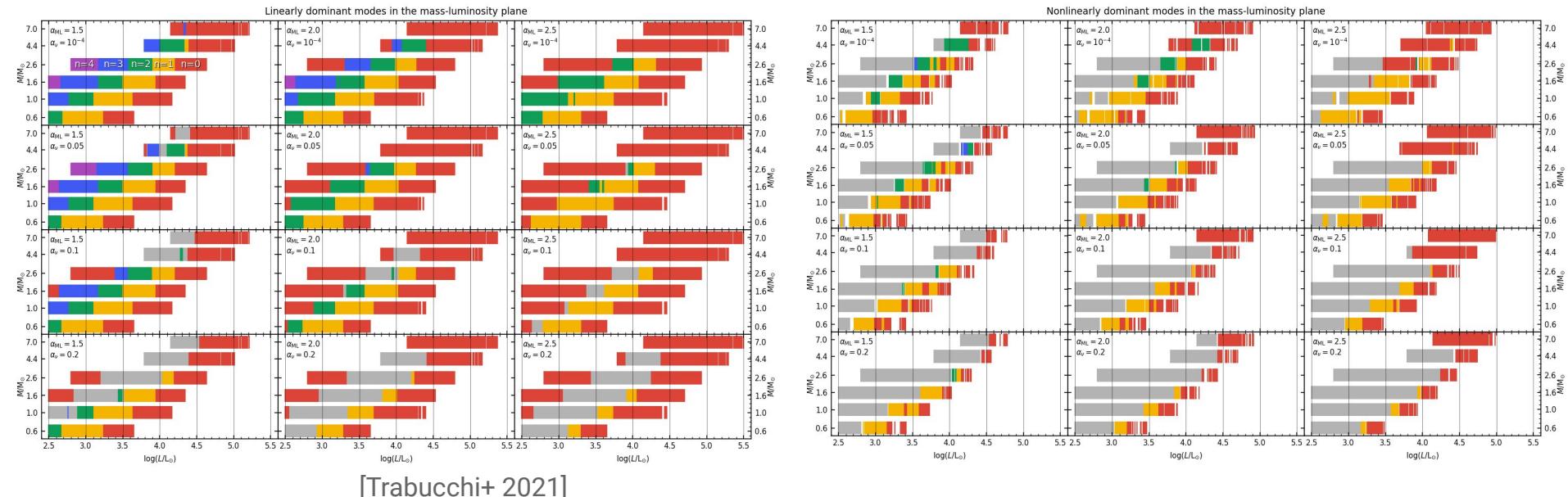
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### Effect of turbulent viscosity on linear pulsation



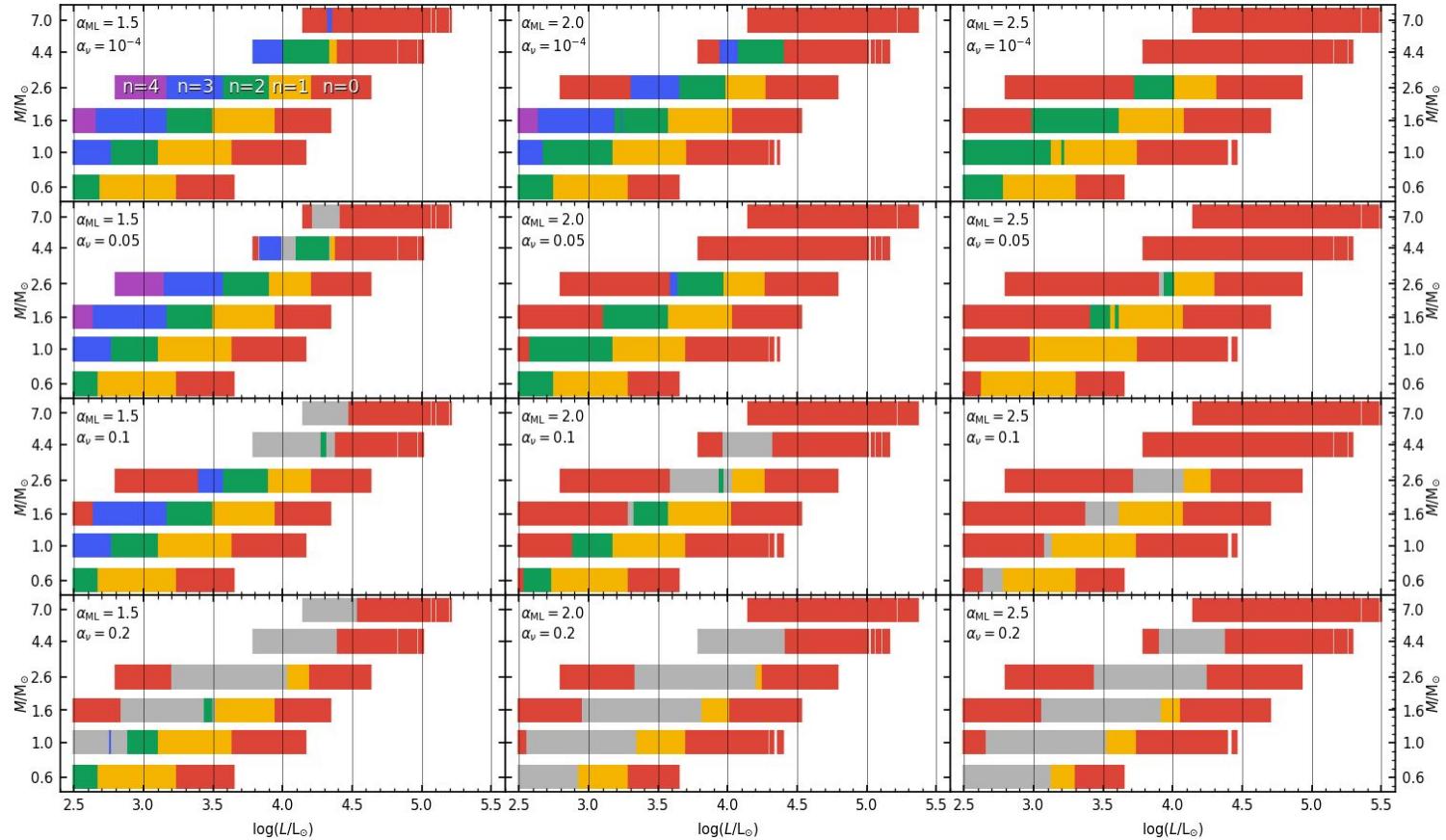
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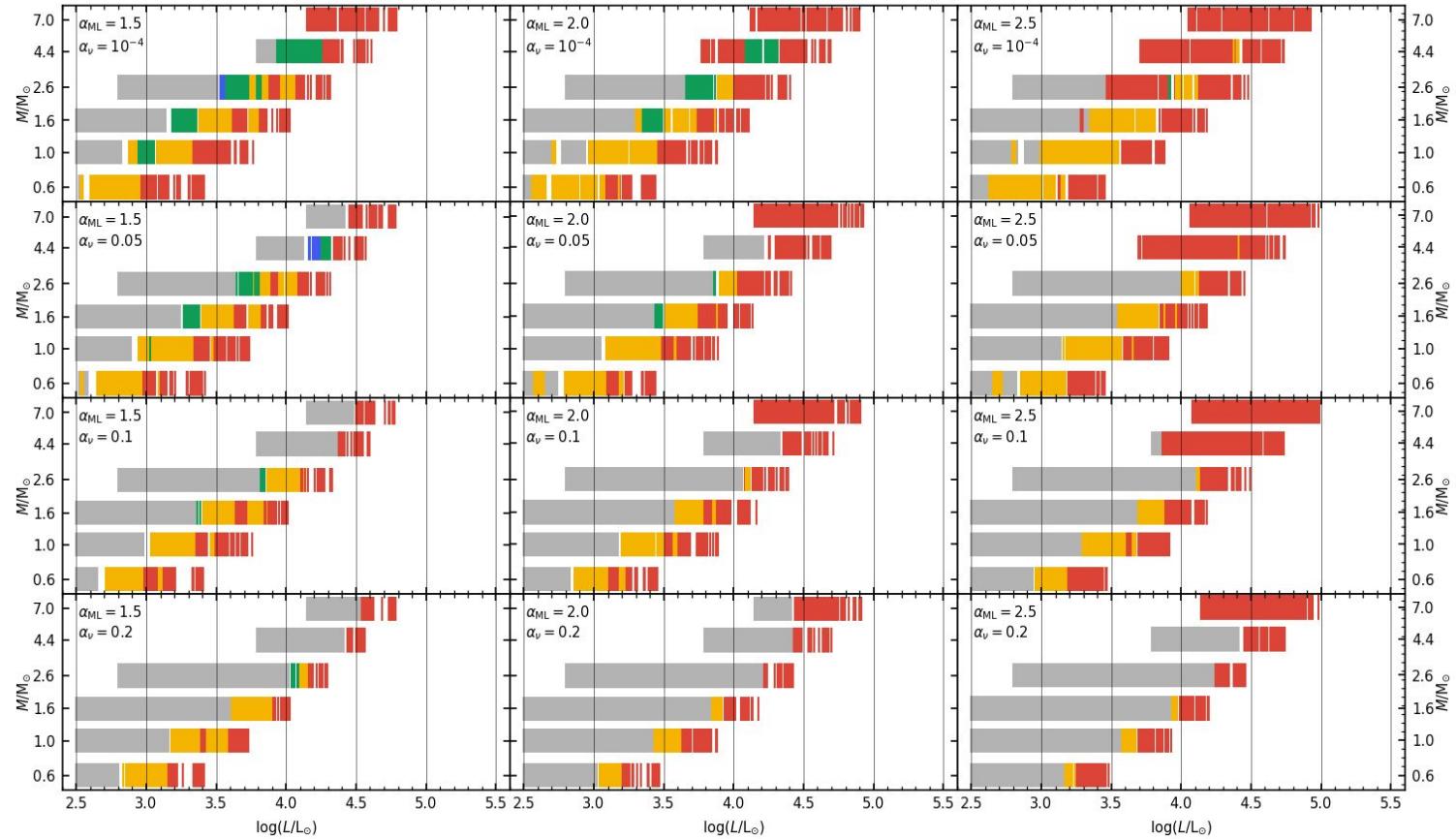


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### Linearly dominant modes in the mass-luminosity plane



### Nonlinearly dominant modes in the mass-luminosity plane



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