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Resolved And unresolved Stellar PopUlaTioNs

Globular Clusters in UV:
from the Horizontal Branch to integrated colors

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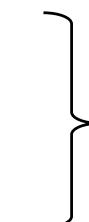


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- ◆ *Advanced Research Grant* funded by the European Research Council (ERC)
- ◆ PI: Francesco R. Ferraro (Dip. of Physics & Astronomy – Bologna University)
- ◆ AIM: **to understand the complex interplay between dynamics & stellar evolution**
- ◆ HOW: using **globular clusters** as cosmic laboratories and

Blue Straggler Stars

Millisecond Pulsars

Intermediate-mass Black Holes



as probe-particles



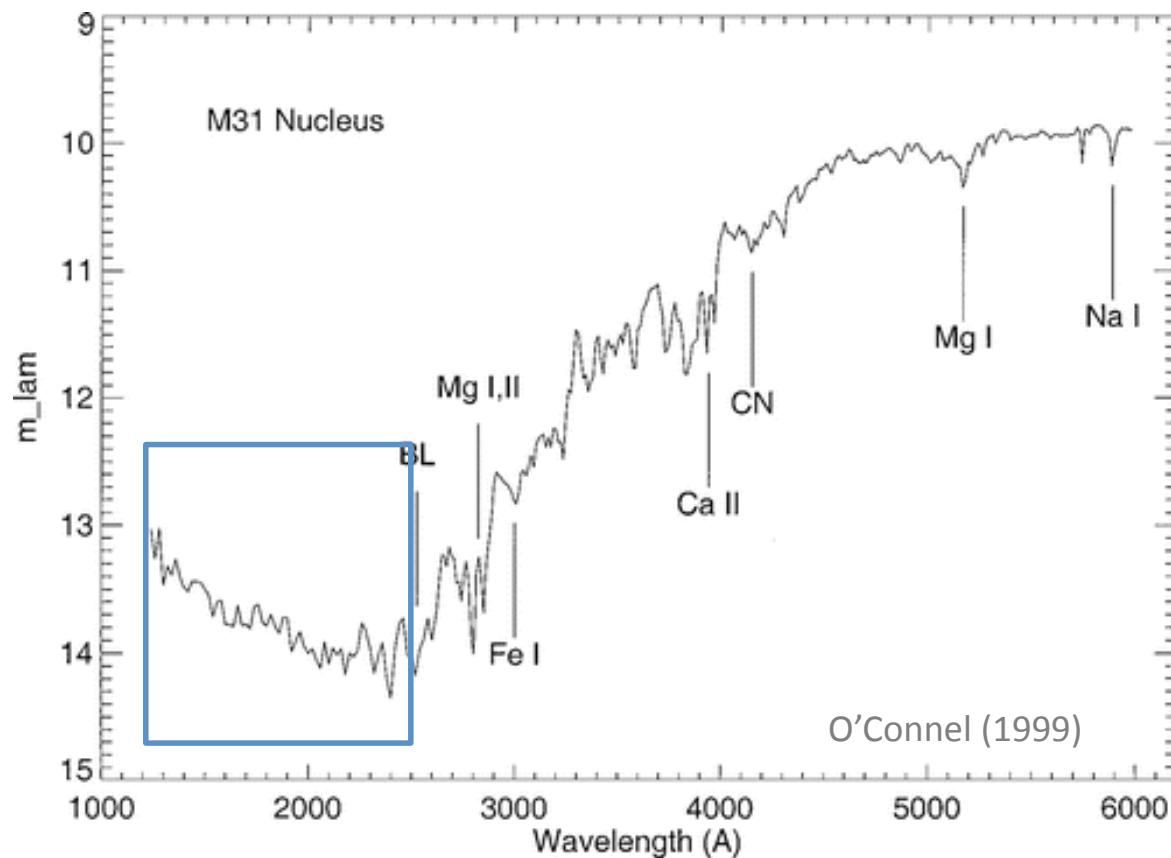
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Old Stellar Populations in UV

Understanding the origin and the frequency of hot stars is not simply a problem of understanding the evolution of old, low mass stars. It has important implication on the interpretation spectra of galaxies.



Hot stars have been suggested to be responsible of the **UV upturn** in the spectrum of elliptical galaxies and bulges
(Greggio & Renzini 1990)



GGCs are the best laboratory



Detailed knowledge of the underlying stellar population



Integrated properties

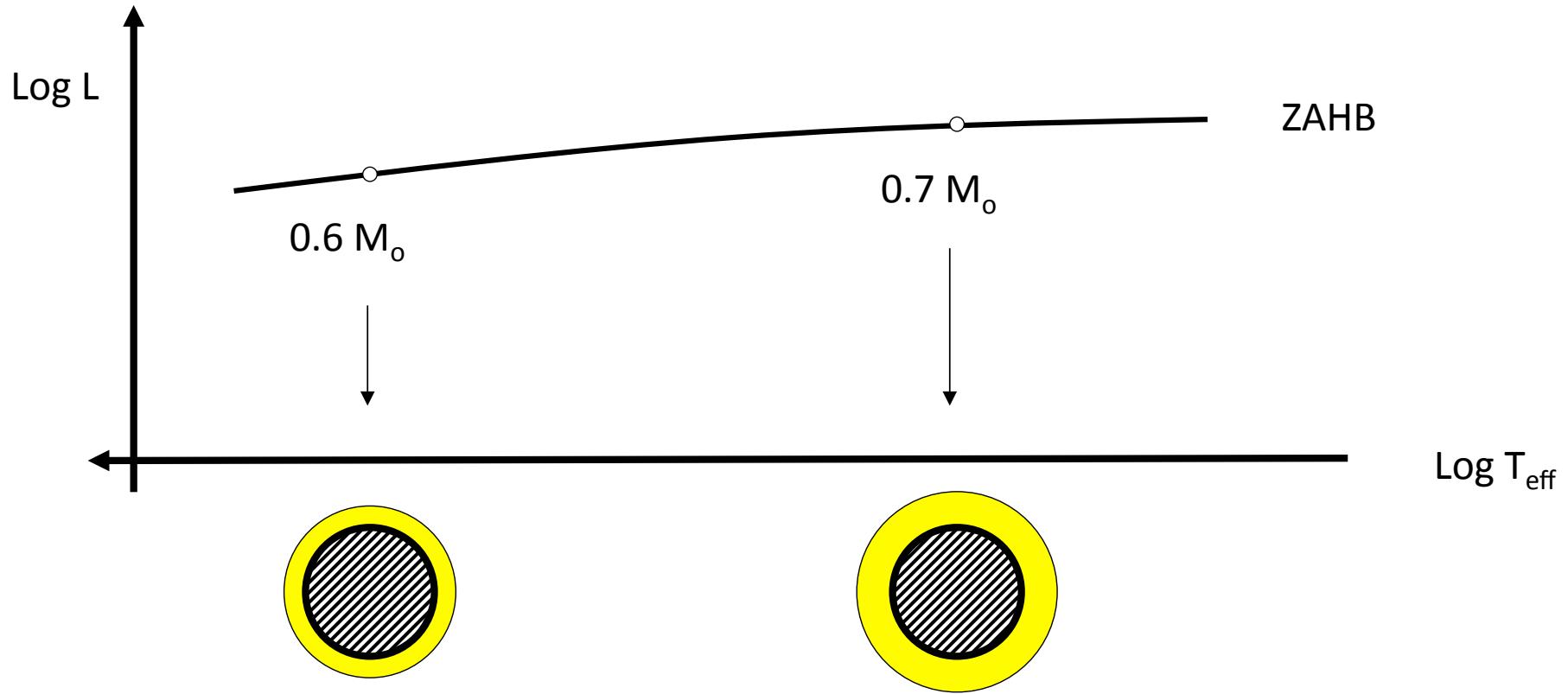


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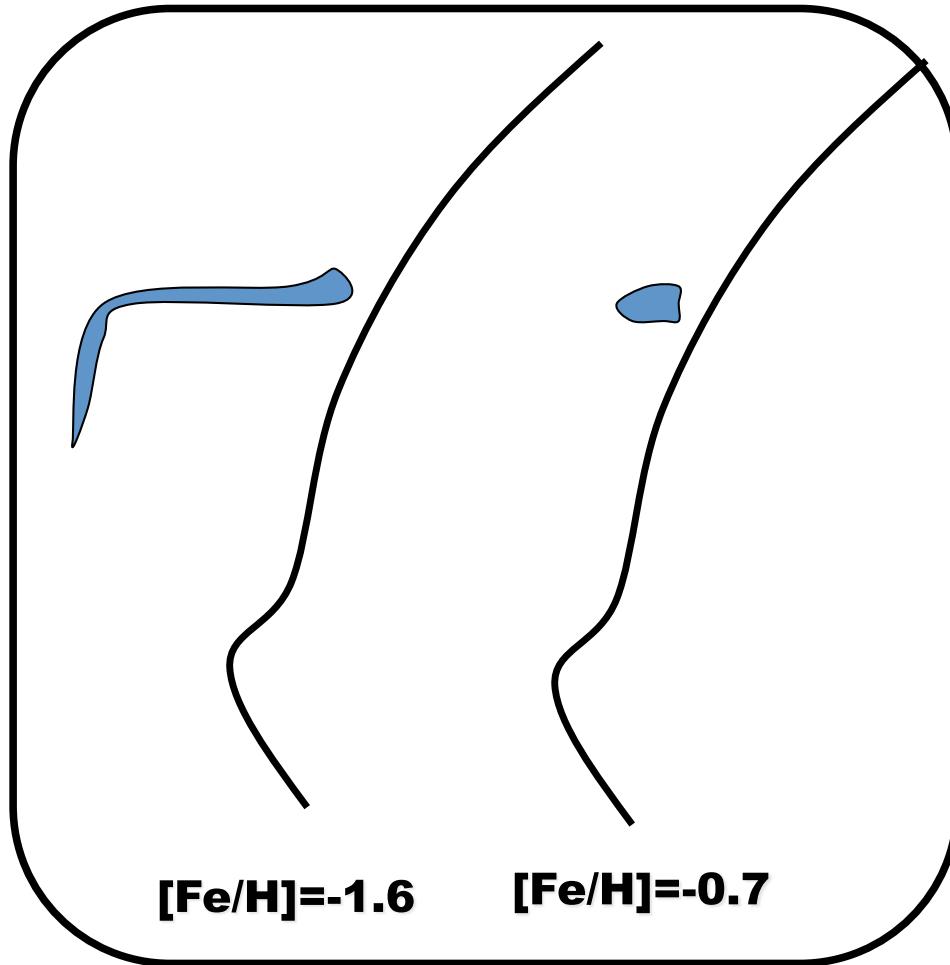
The distribution and frequency of hot stars GGCs



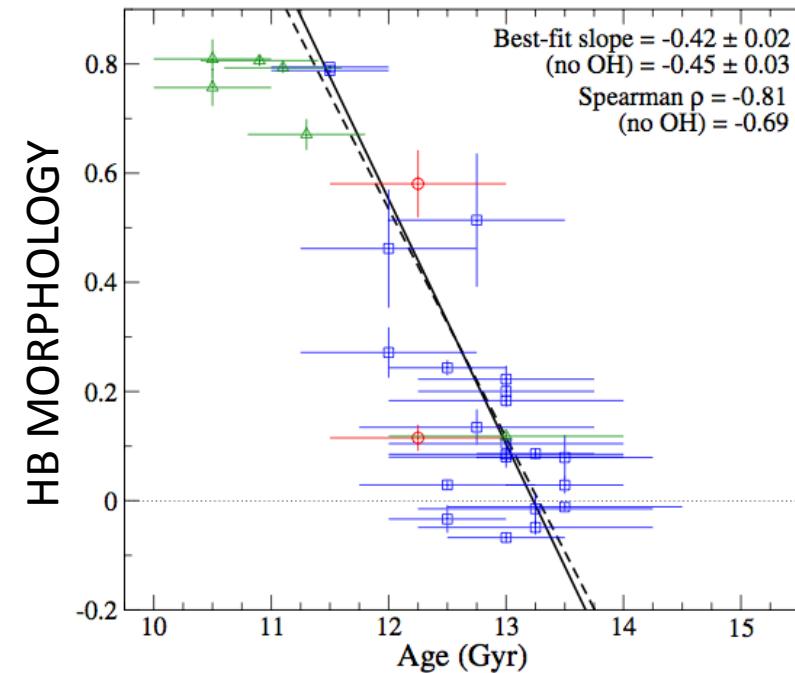
There are many culprits that can affect the temperature distribution of HB stars:
metallicity, age, mass-loss, He abundance, stellar rotation ...

The HB in a nutshell

Metallicity is the first parameter



Age is the second

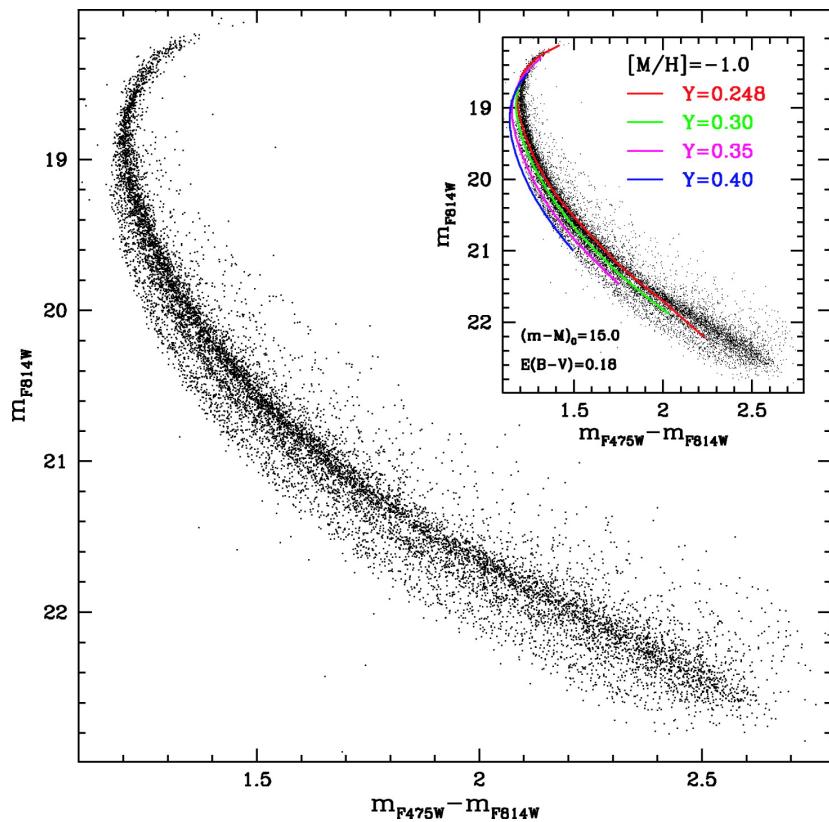


- They fail in many cases
- What's the role of He?

A new approach for HB studies

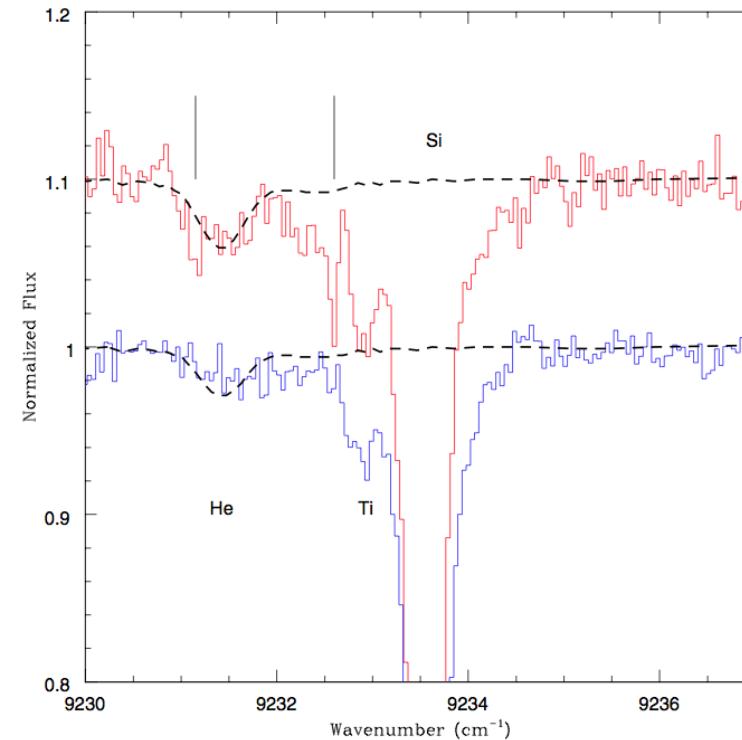
1. High quality UV photometry (see the poster by E. Lagioia)
2. A set of isochrones and HB tracks for different metallicities and Helium abundance (BaSTI; Pietrinferni et al. 2006)
3. Take into account the effect of radiative levitation (BC for $[Fe/H]=0.5$ for $T>12000K$; Behr et al. 2003; Pace et al. 2006)
4. An extensive use of synthetic HBs obtained with two free parameters: ΔM and $\sigma_{\Delta M}$ (Y_{min} , ΔY)

The Horizontal Branch in UV: NGC 2808



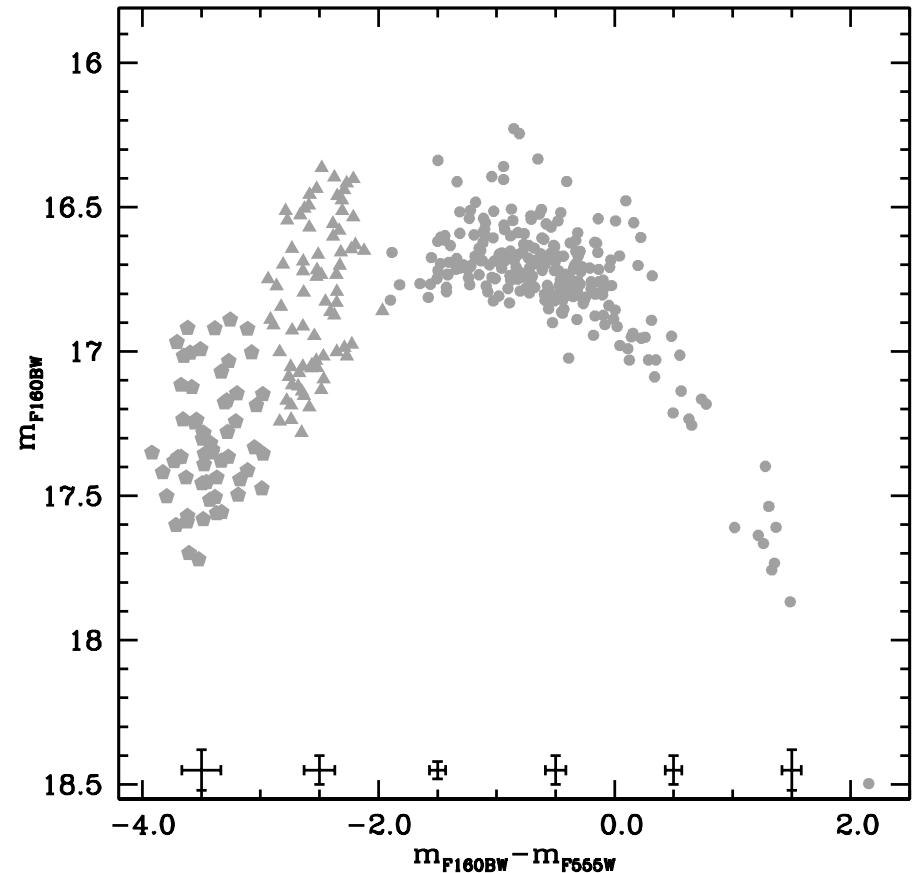
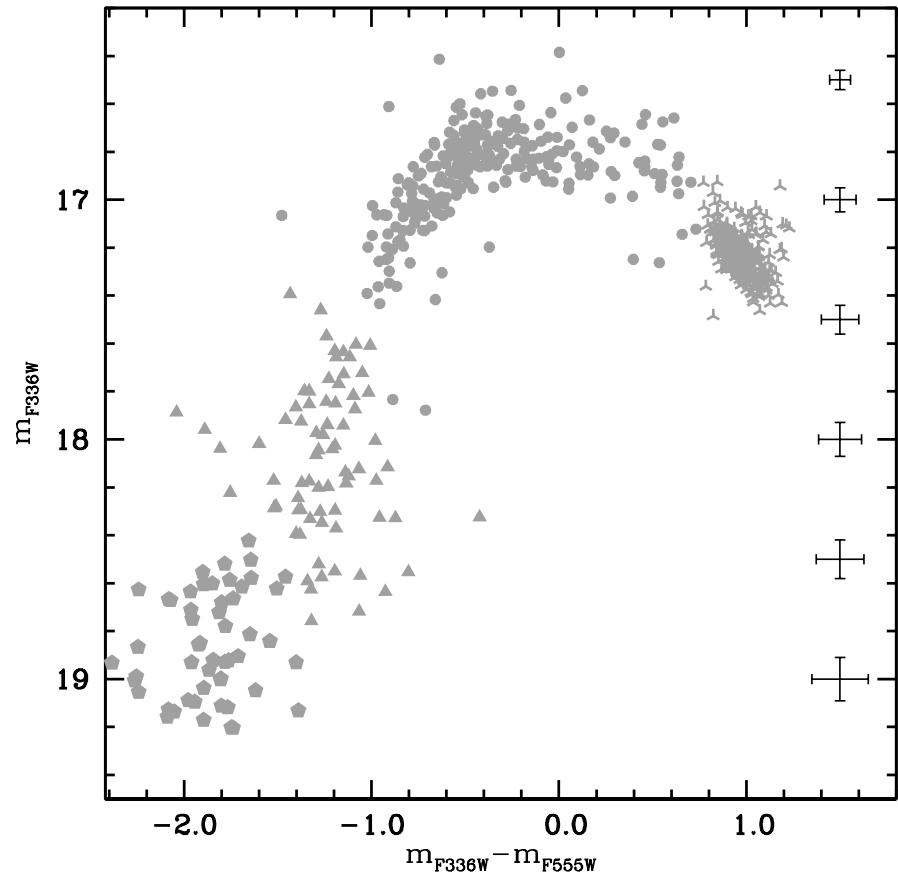
3 sub-populations with different He abundances
have been observed from both photometric and
spectroscopic analyses

(Piotto et al. 2007; Bragaglia et al. 2011; Pasquini et al. 2011)



The Horizontal Branch in UV: NGC 2808

Dalessandro et al. 2011



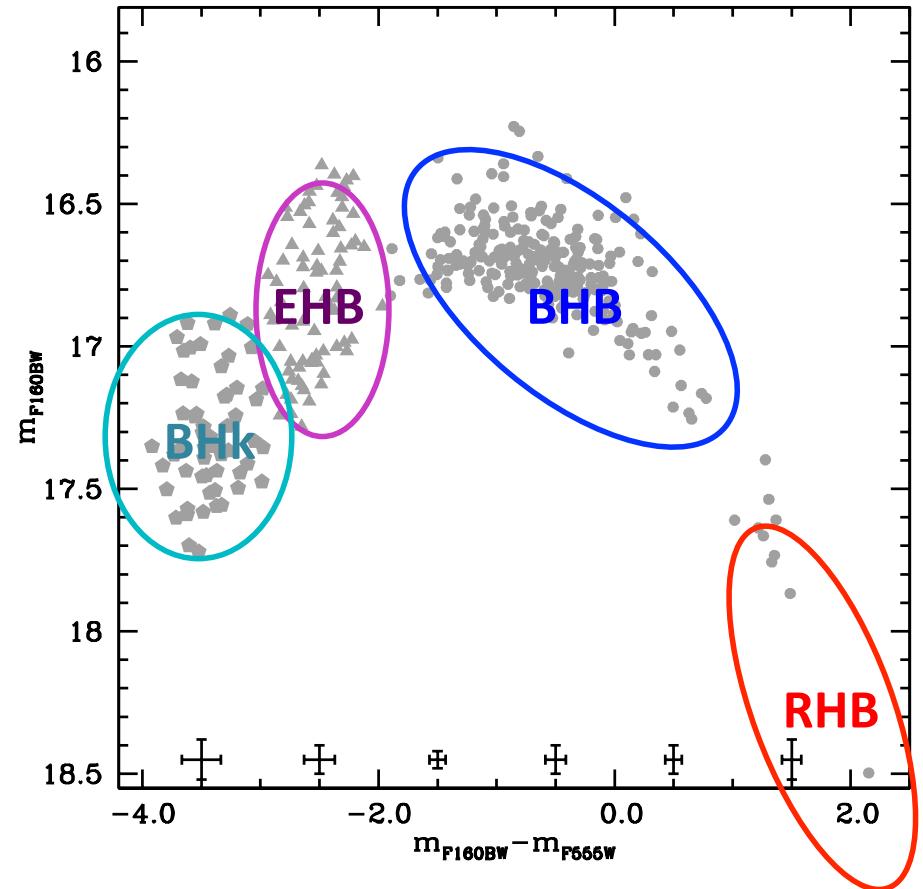
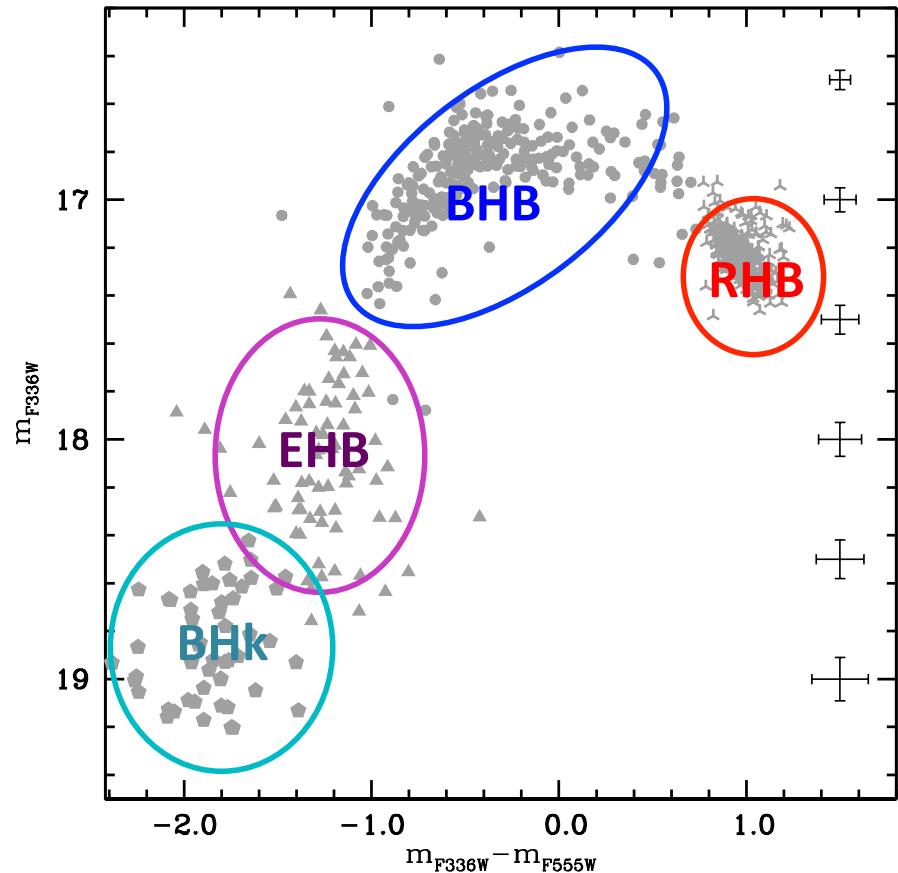
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Four sub-groups along the HB of NGC2808

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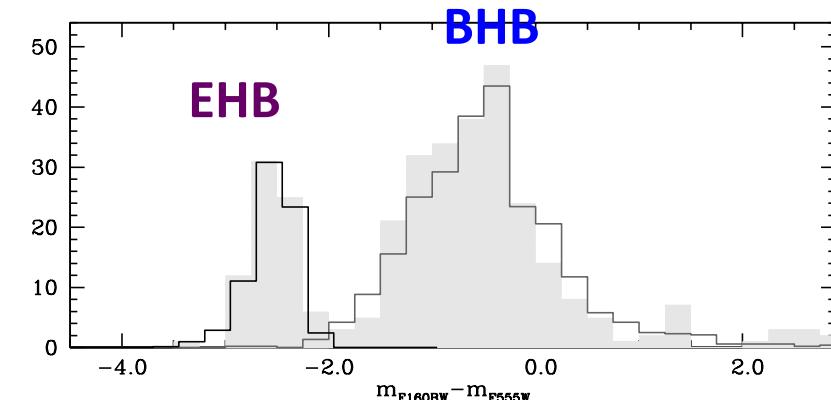
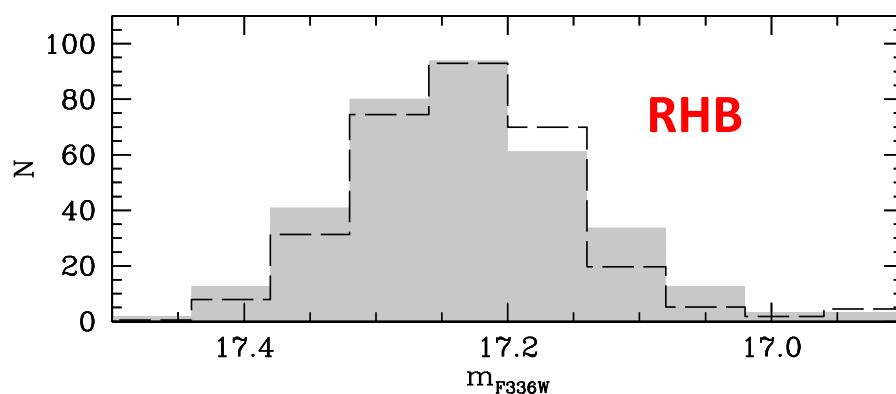
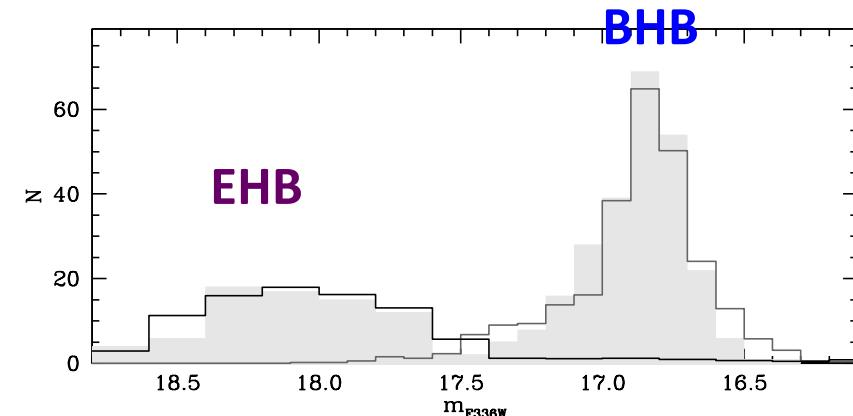
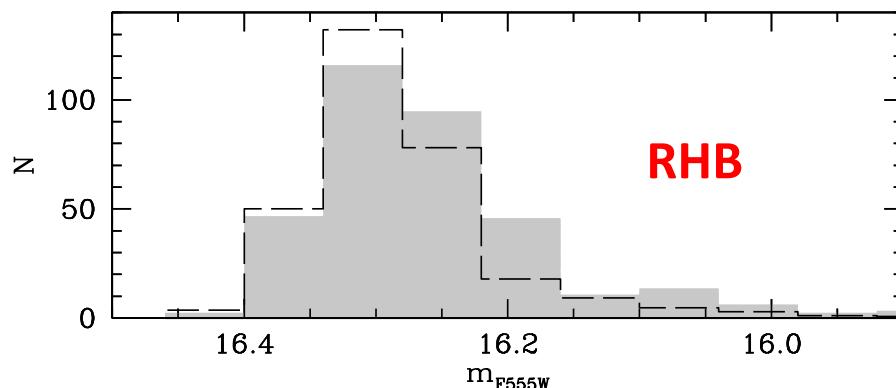


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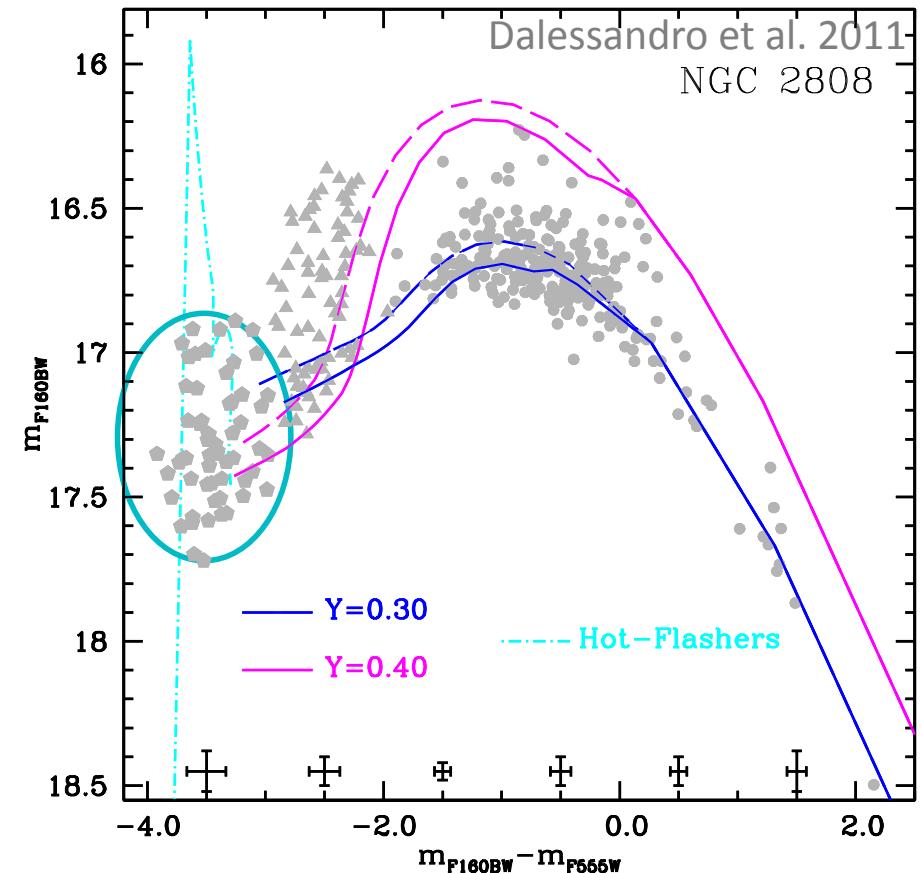
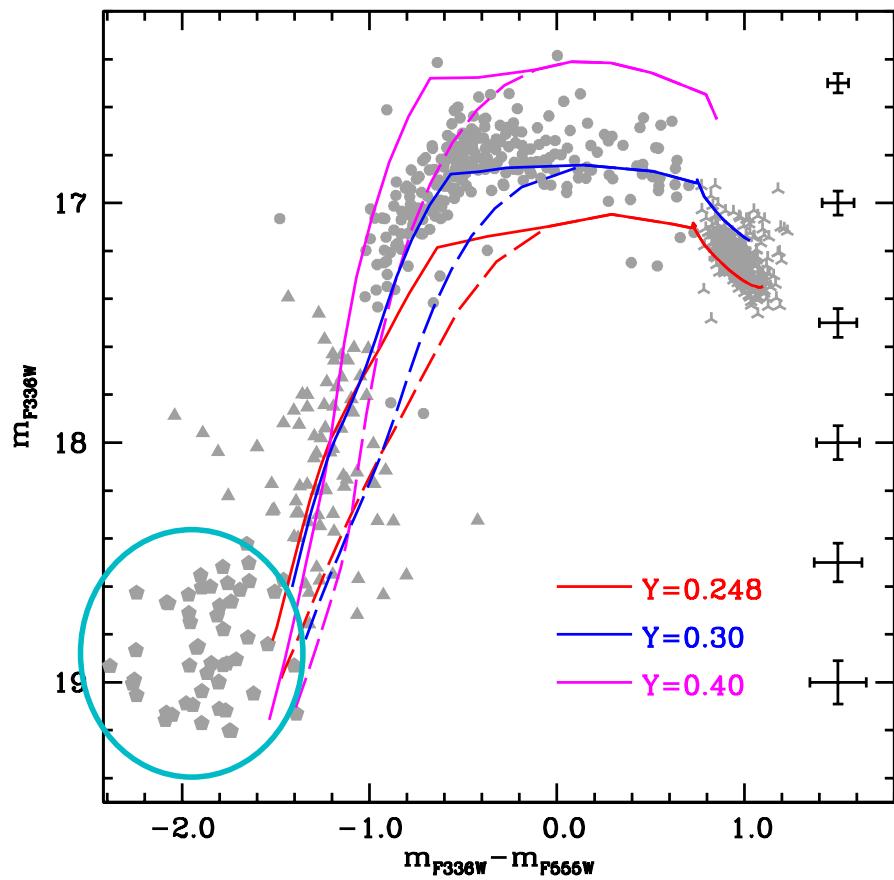


A new approach for HB studies



POP	γ	M_{TO}	M_{HB}	DM	T_{eff}
RHB	0.248	0.84	0.69	0.15	5400
BHB	0.30	0.76	0.565	0.195	12 600
EHB	0.40	0.627	0.479	0.148	24 000

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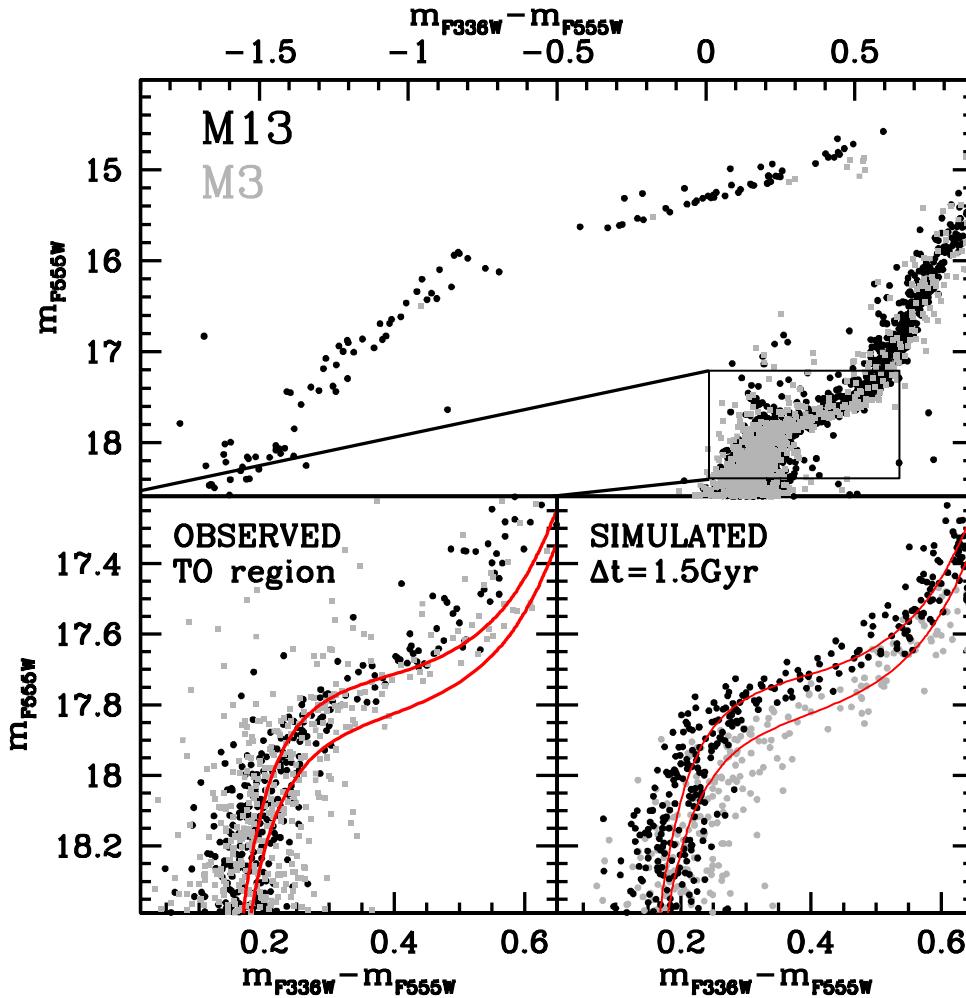


THE HB OF NGC2808 IS FULLY DESCRIBED BY
USING 3 POPs WITH DIFFERENT He
+ HOT-FLASHERS

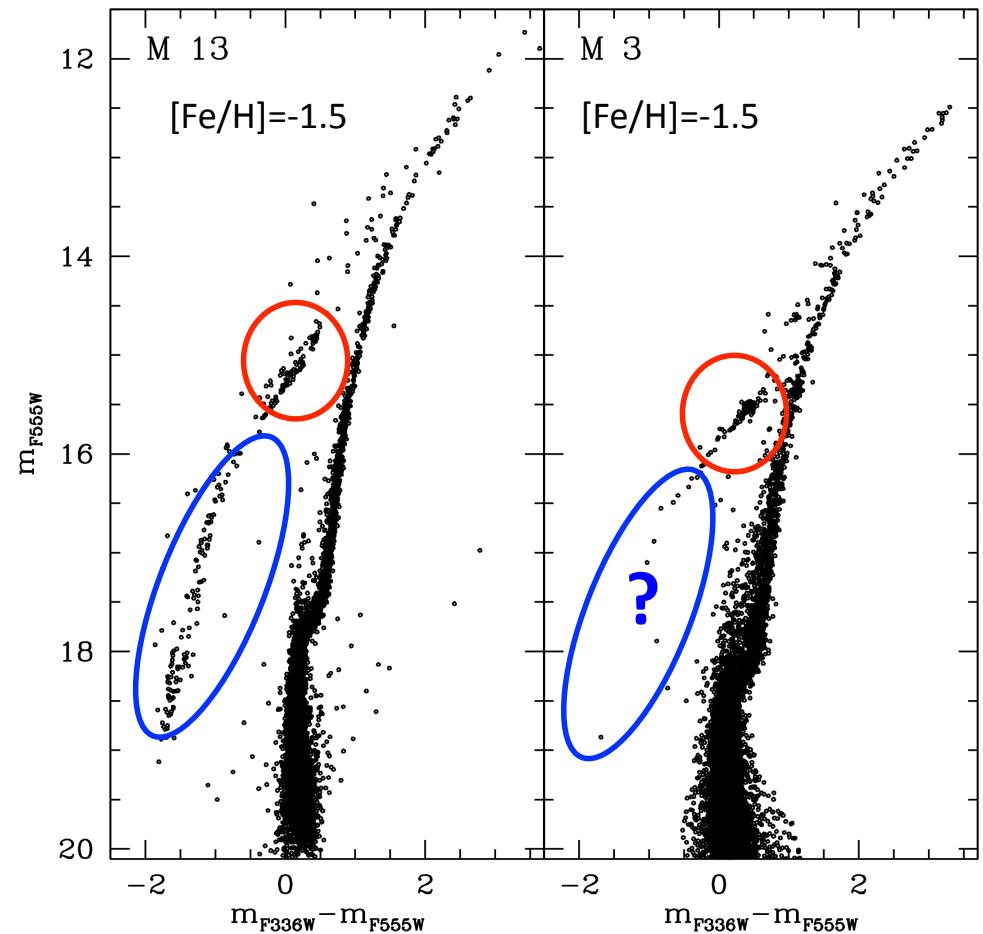
The Horizontal Branch in UV: M 3 – M 13

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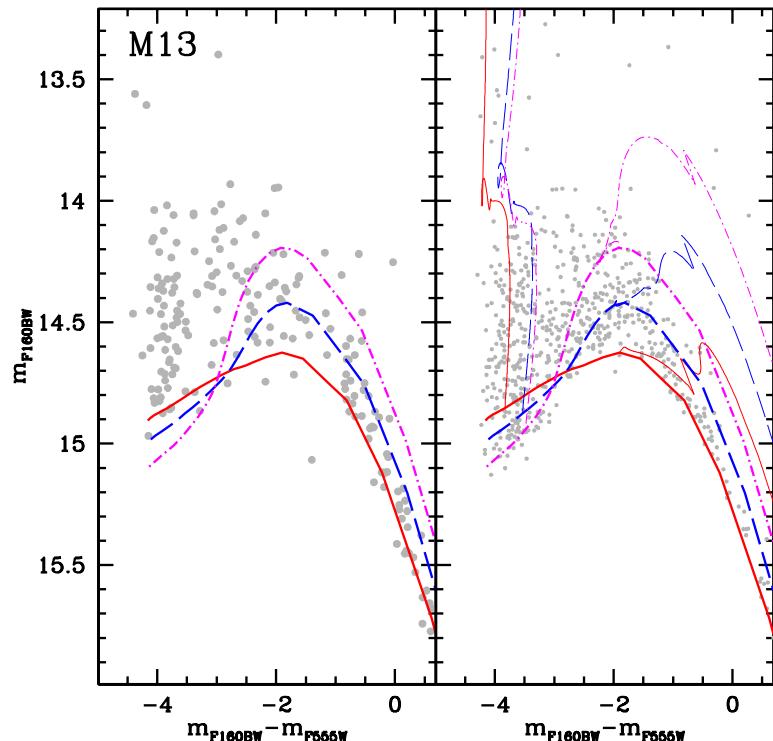
SAME METALLICITY, SAME AGE



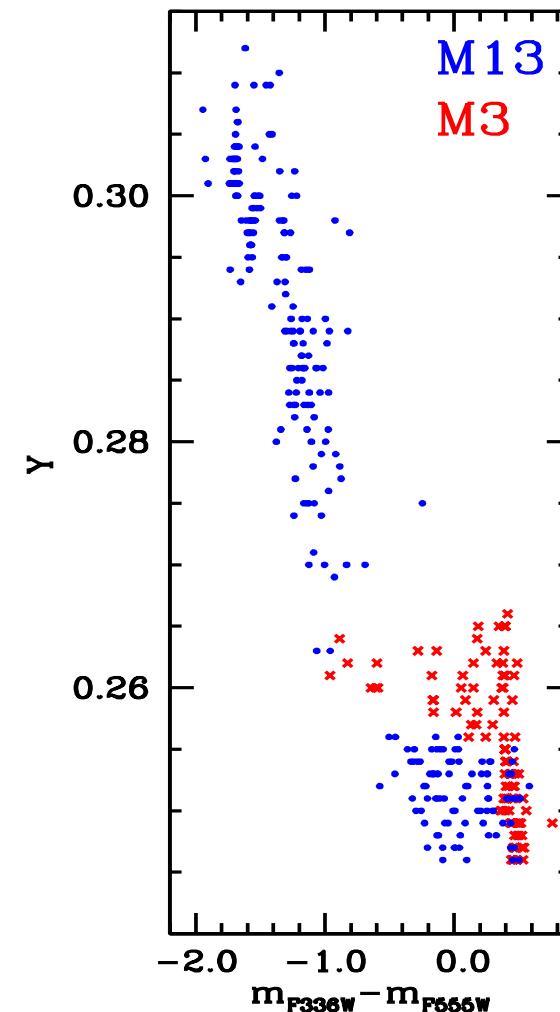
DIFFERENT HB MORPHOLOGIES



The Horizontal Branch in UV: M3 – M13



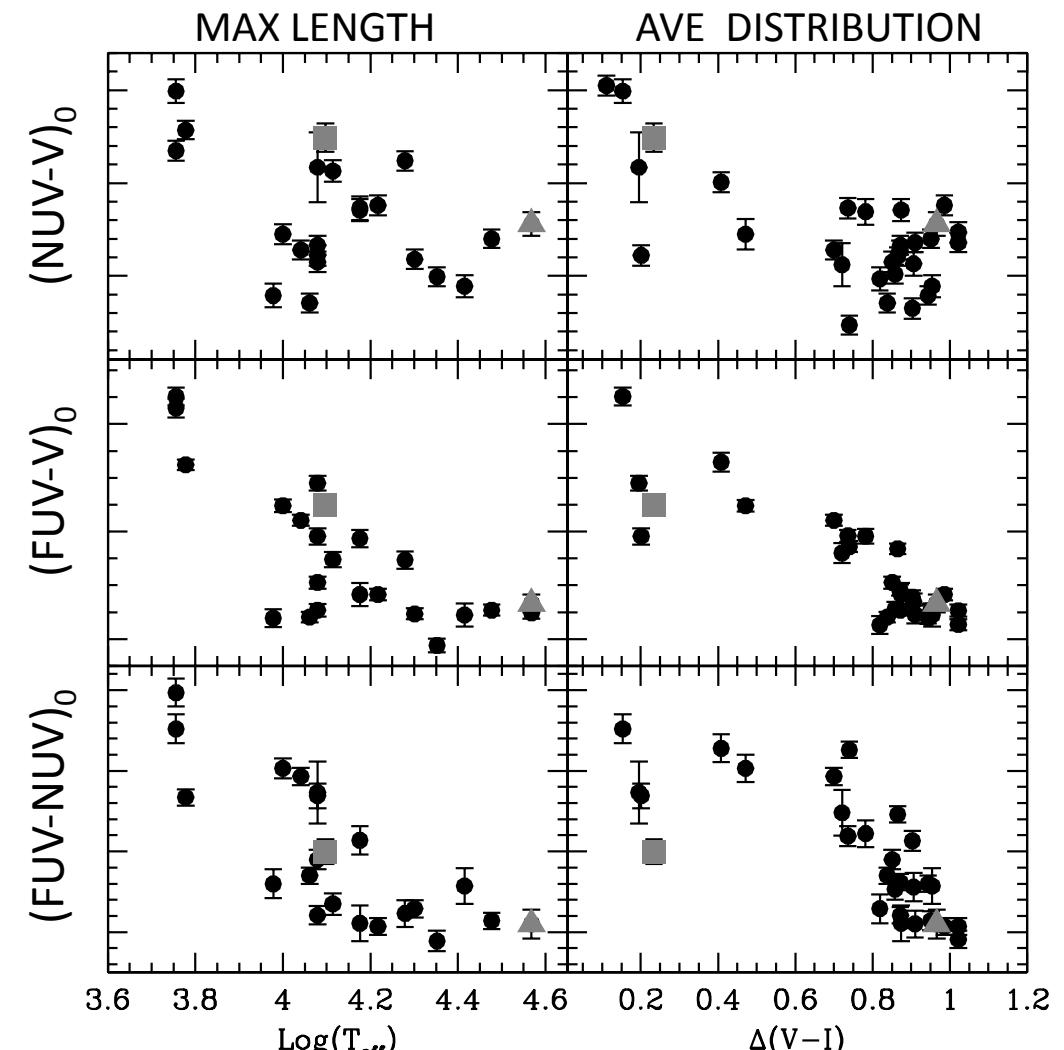
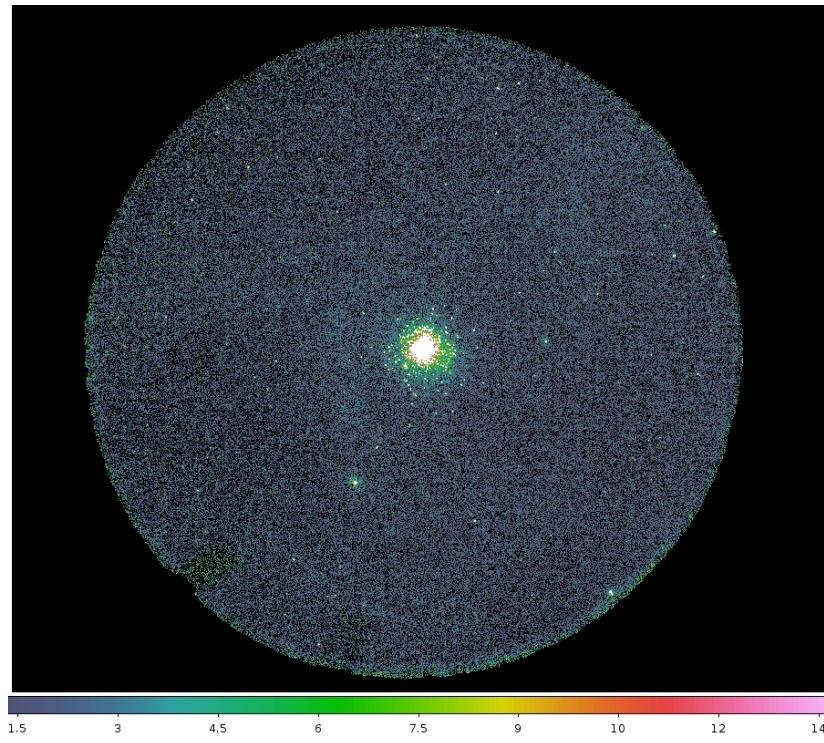
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HBs are matched
only with different
He distributions

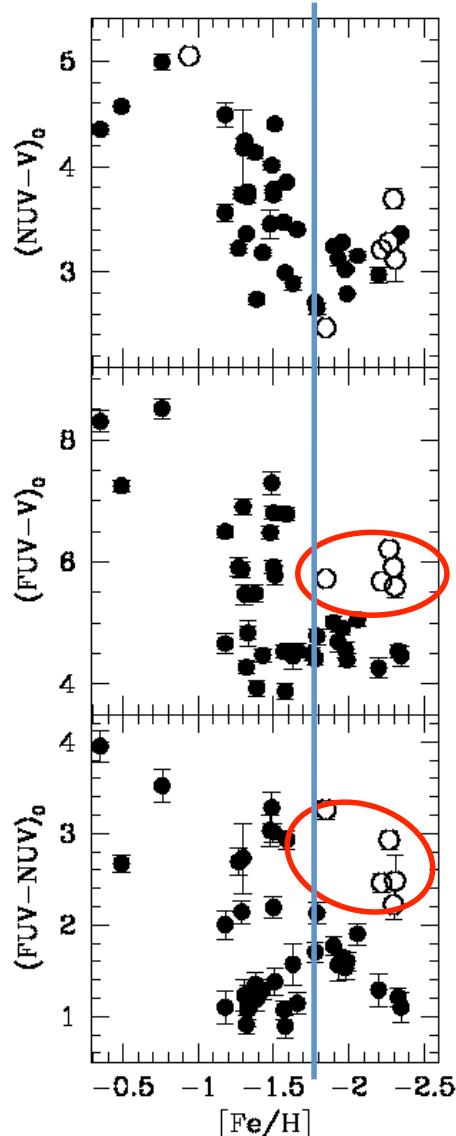
Integrated UV colors with GALEX

The largest homogeneous dataset of
UV GGCs ever collected

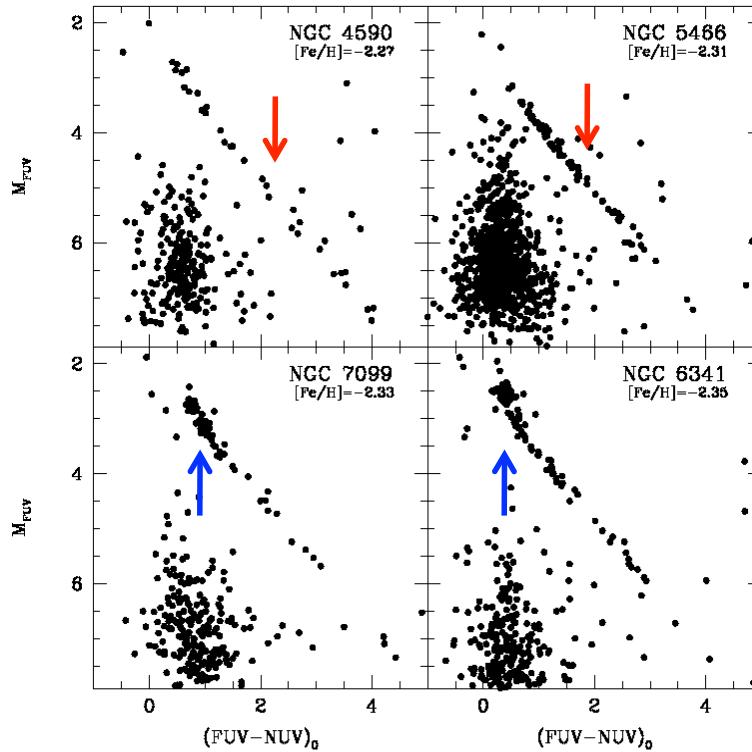


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The Sagittarius clusters

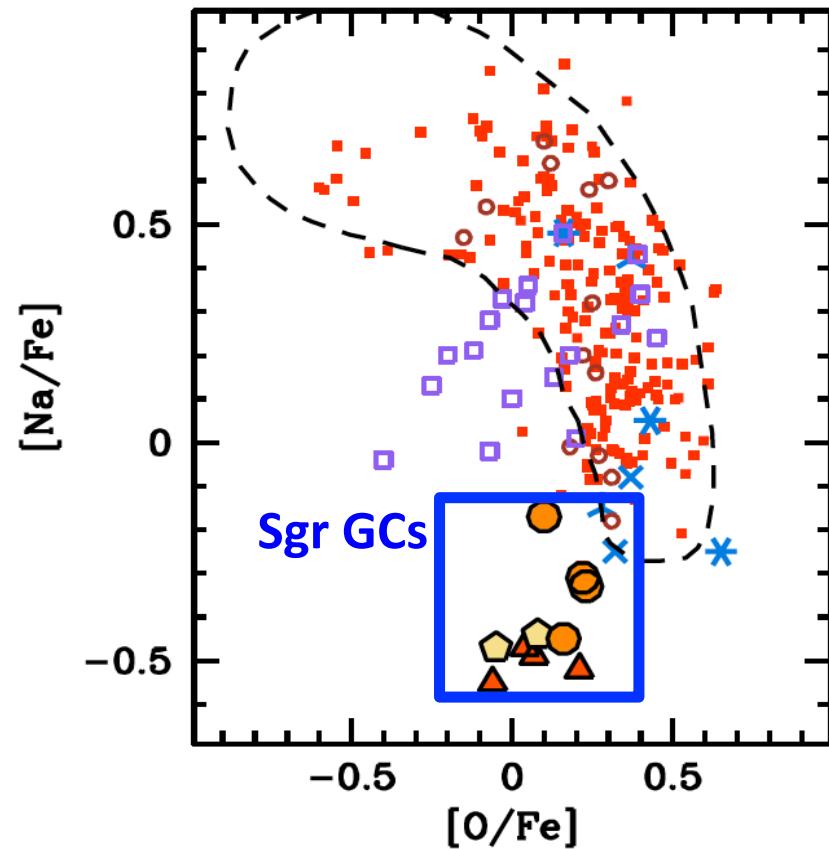


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NGC4590, NGC5053, NGC5466, Arp2, Terzan8 and Palomar 12
are suggested to be connected with the Sagittarius Stream
(Dinescu et al 1999, Palma et al. 2002, Bellazzini et al. 2003, Lee & Majewski 2010)

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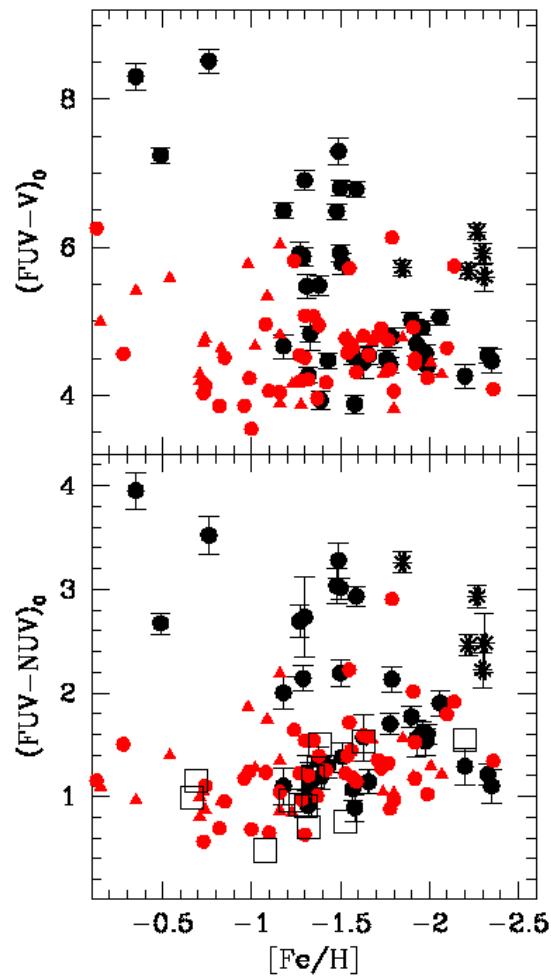
- Sgr GCs stars lie in a different location from GGCs
- They do not show significant evidence for anti-correlation
- blue HB stars tend to be Na-rich and O-poor

See Gratton et al. (2011, 2013) – Villanova et al. (2012)

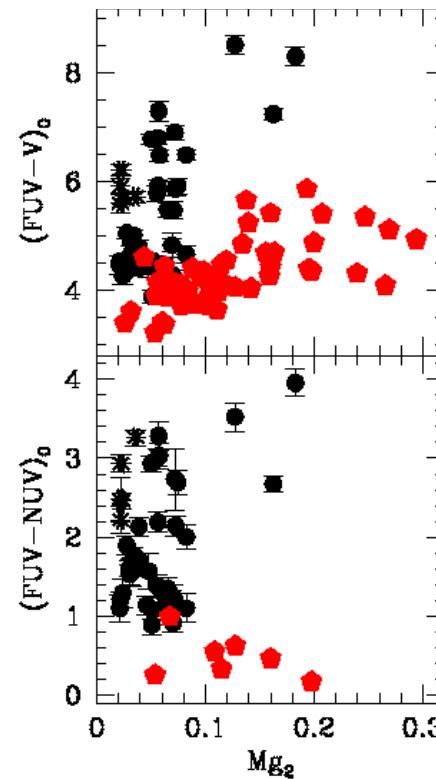
A comparison with the M31 and M87 GCs

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On average M31 and MW
GCs have the same UV colors



On average M87 GCs are
bluer than GGCs



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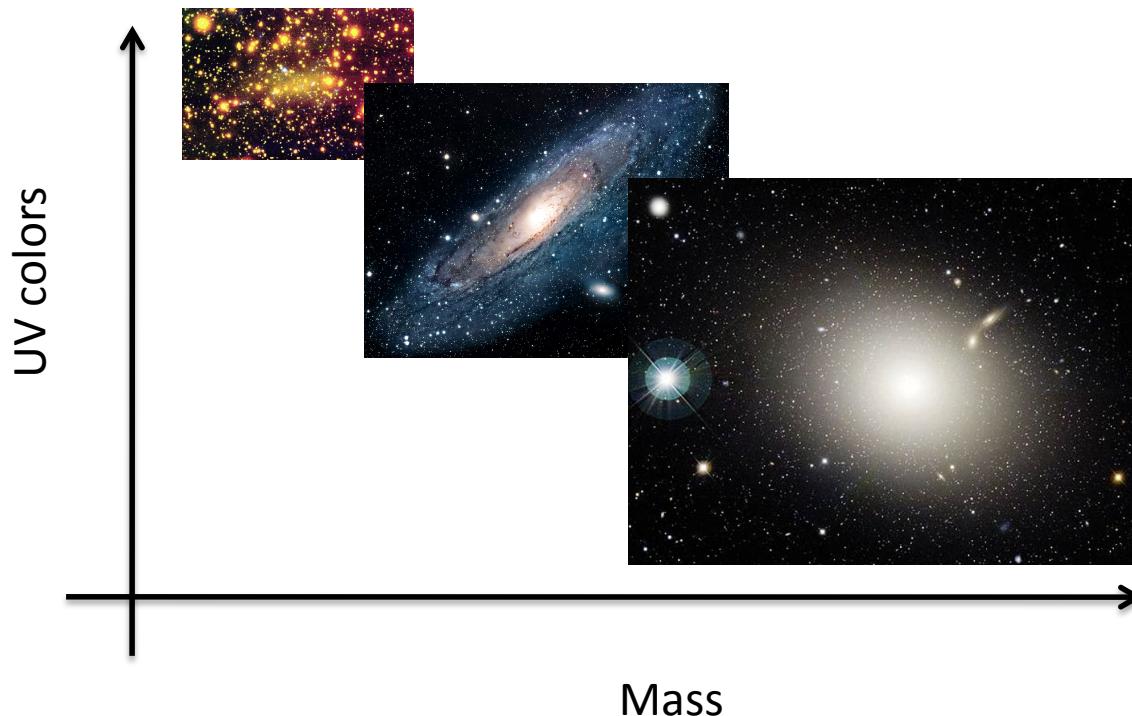
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Mass really matters

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$M(\text{Sgr}) = 1.6 \times 10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$ (Law & Majewski 2010)

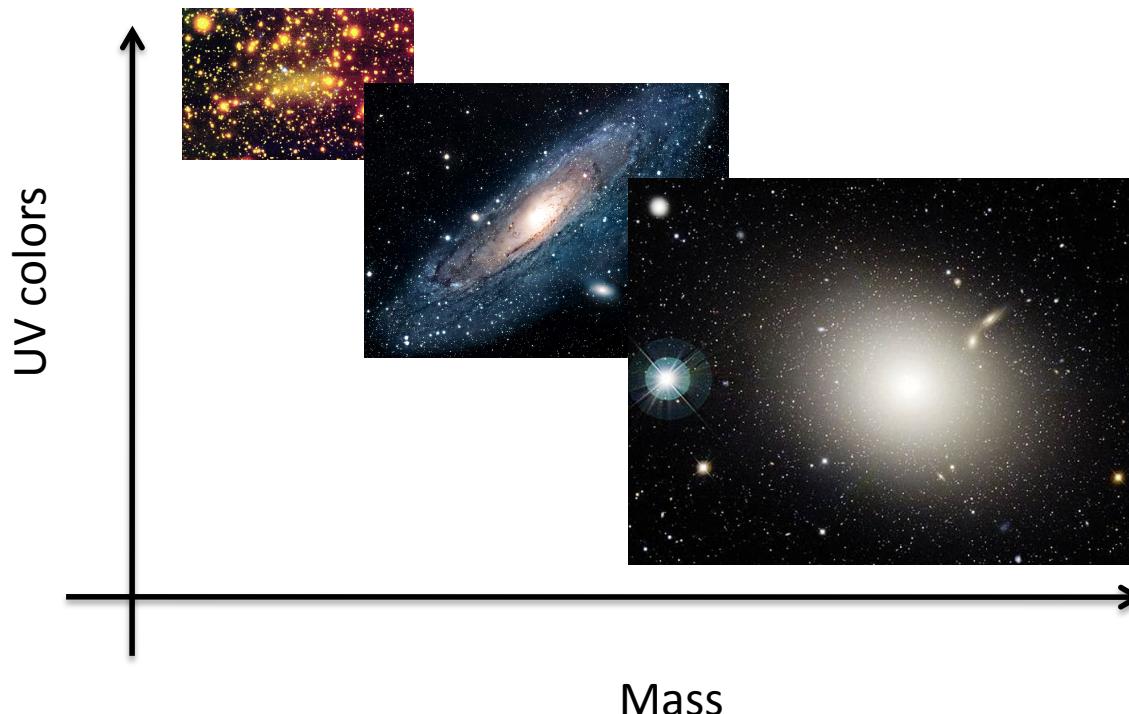
$M(\text{MW}) = 2.4 \times 10^{11} < M_{\text{sun}} < 1.2 \times 10^{12}$ (Little & Tremaine 1987)

$M(\text{M31}) = 3.7 \times 10^{11} < M_{\text{sun}} < 2.5 \times 10^{12}$ (Cote' et al. 2000)

$M(\text{M87}) = 1.7 \times 10^{13} < M_{\text{sun}} < 4 \times 10^{13}$ (Fabricant et al. 1980)

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UV colors of GC systems get bluer as the mass of the host galaxy increases

Summary

- We combined UV HST and GALEX data for a sample of GGCs with the aim to link resolved to integrated properties
- We have introduced a new approach for the analysis of the HB which is based on a detailed comparison between observed and synthetic HBs in UV bands
- He content has a strong impact in shaping the HB of old stellar populations (see the cases of NGC 2808 and M 3-M 13)
- We observe a general correlation between UV colors of GCs and mass of the host galaxies
- Differences might be linked to the survival rate of GCs in different environments

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