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## Classical Cepheids: Laboratories <br> of Stellar Astrophysics



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## About me

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$>$ I have 4 cats us
> My work focus on Classical Cepheids


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From a window in Treasurer's House near this tablet. the young deaf and dumb astronomer JOHN GOODRICKE

1764 - 1786
who was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society at the age of 21 . observed the periodicity of the star ALGOL and discovered the variation of $\delta$ CEPHEI and other stars thus laying the foundation of modern measurement of the Universe

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M=a+b \log P
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$M$ : absolute magnitude
$a, b$ : constants
$P$ : pulsating period
Leavitt \& Pickering (1912, Harv. Obs. Circ., 173)


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 The Optical Gravitational Lensing Experiment (OGLE) presented a nearly complete census of classical Cepheids in the Magellanic System.

## We need to understand all this data!

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## Instability strip

## Double-lined <br> binary systems

## Empirical instability strip for classical Cepheids I. The LMC Galaxy



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## Summer Student Program 2023





Student: Matylda Łukaszewicz (UW)

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Good agreement with other theoretical results



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## Double-lined binary systems (SB2)





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## MESA-RSP

= Model the complete system + distance + reddening

- Cepheid
- Companion
- Both componets


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## Useful tool to constrain theoretical models and physical parameters



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