

**Asteroseismic Model Fitting
Separation Ratios
and
Surface Layer Corrections**

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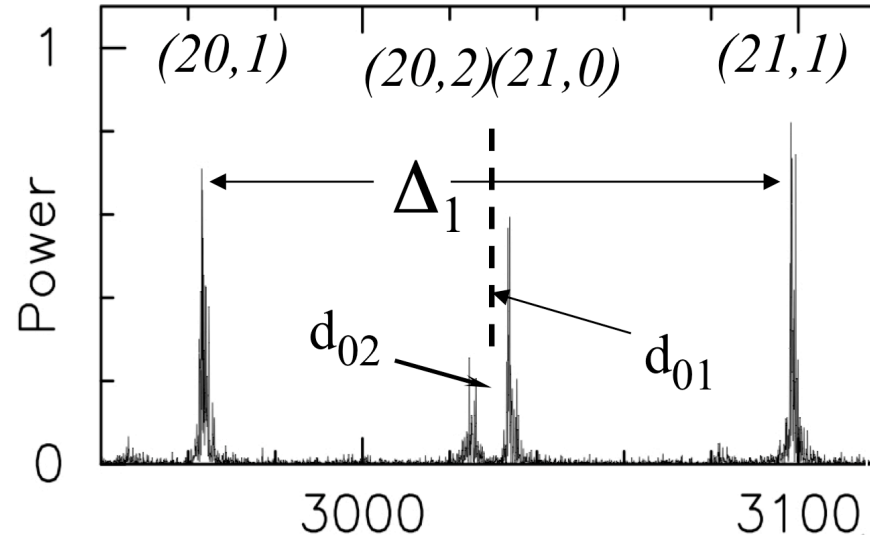
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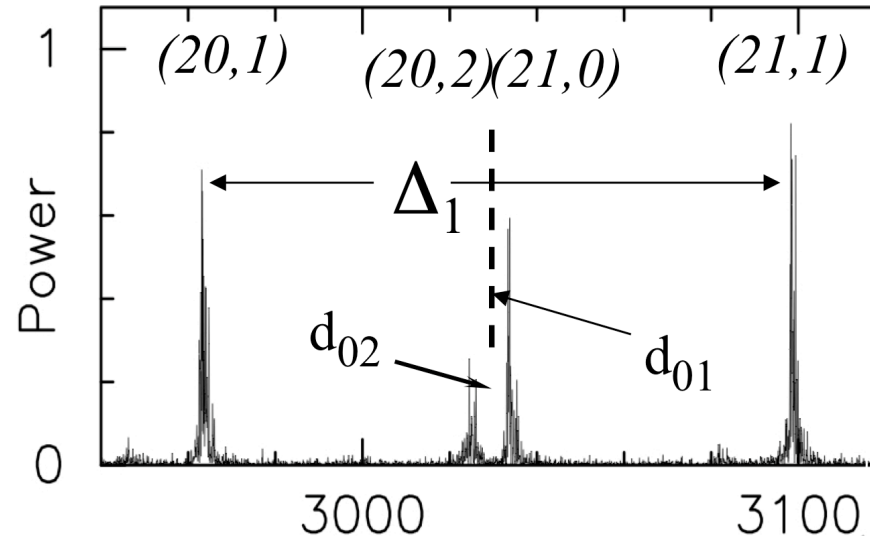
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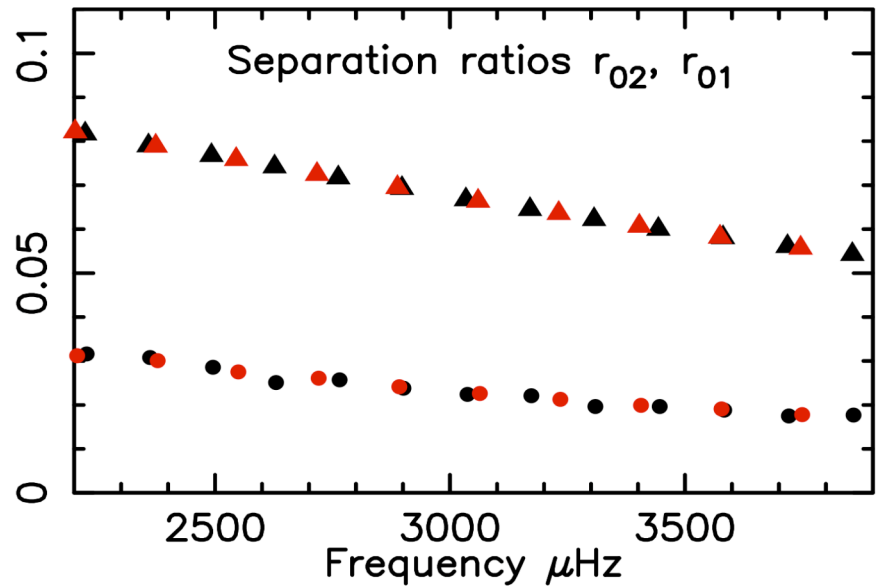
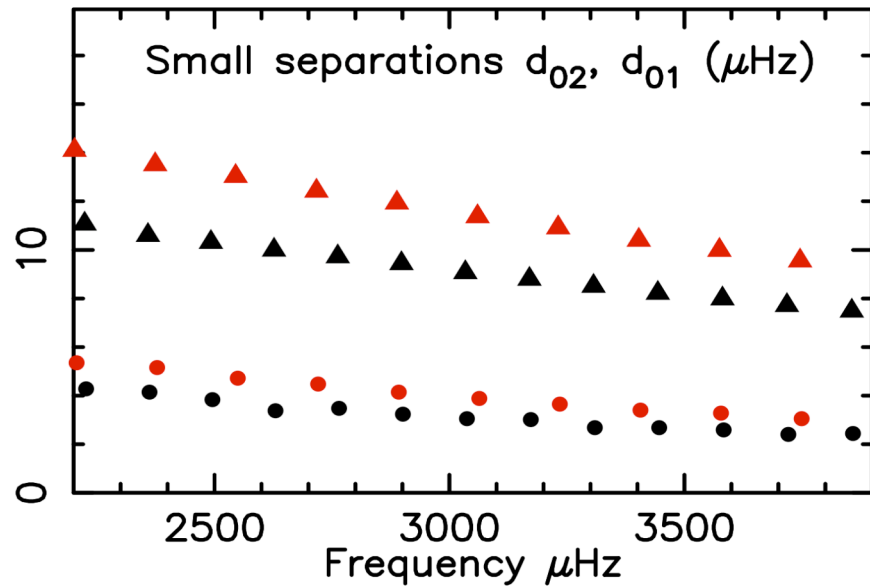
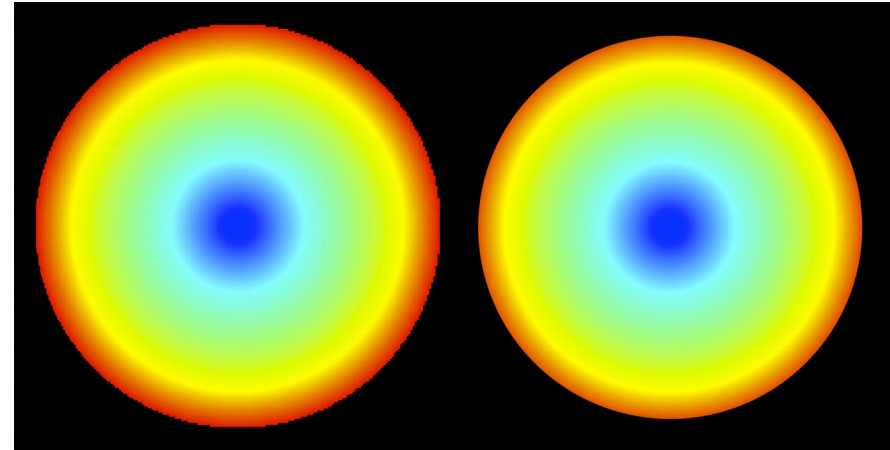
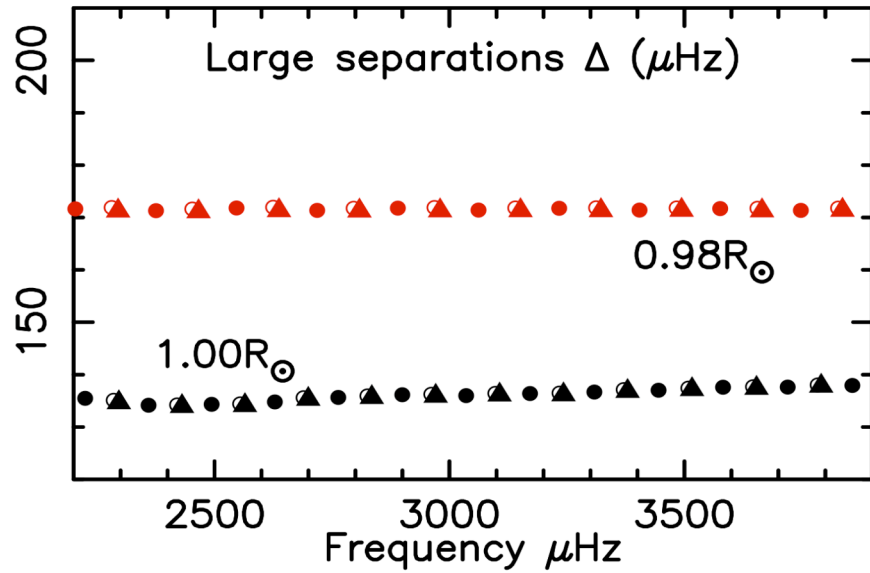
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WRONG !

Separation ratios independent of surface layers

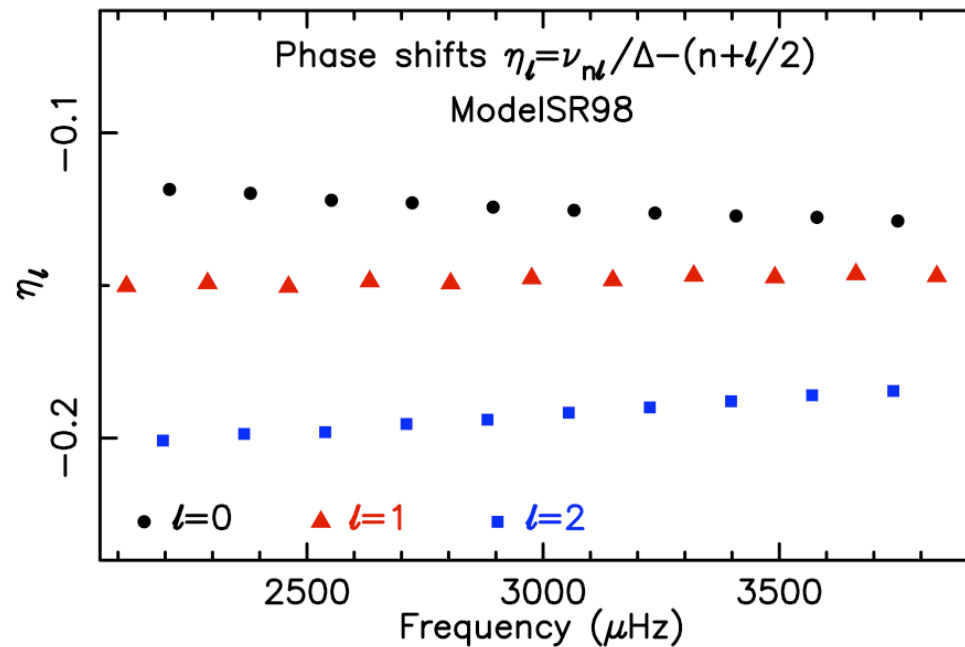
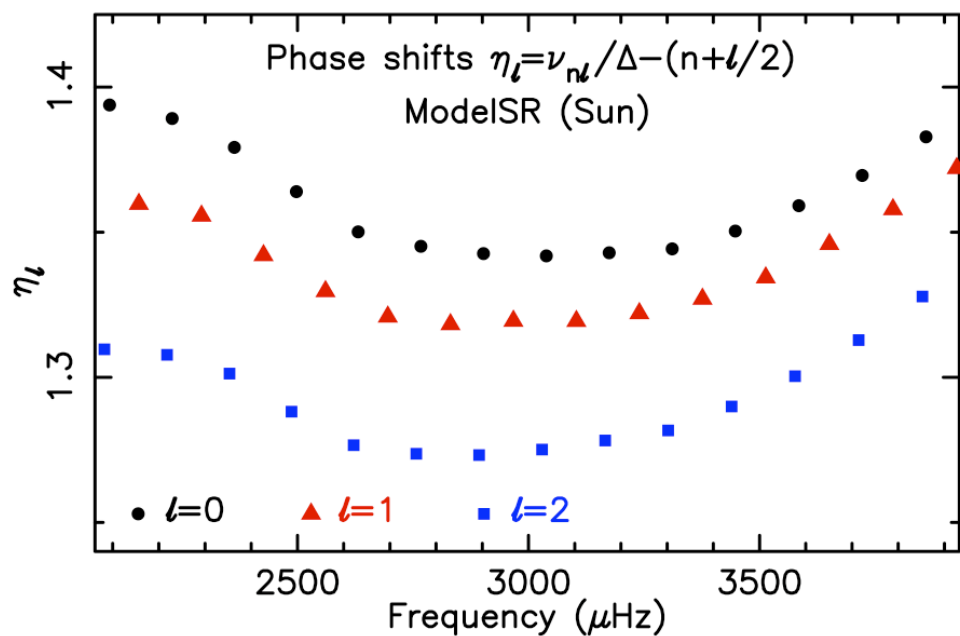
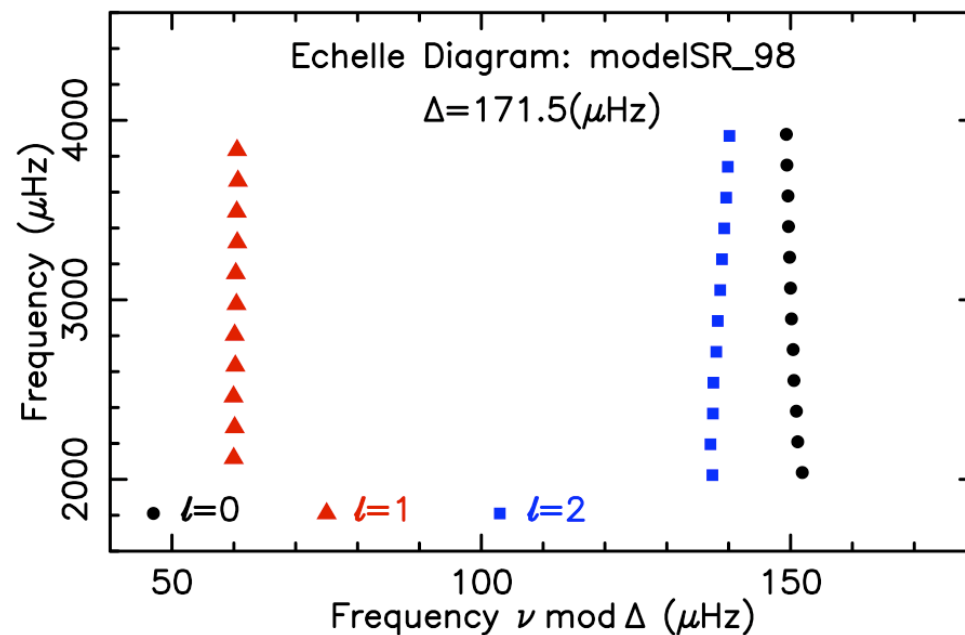
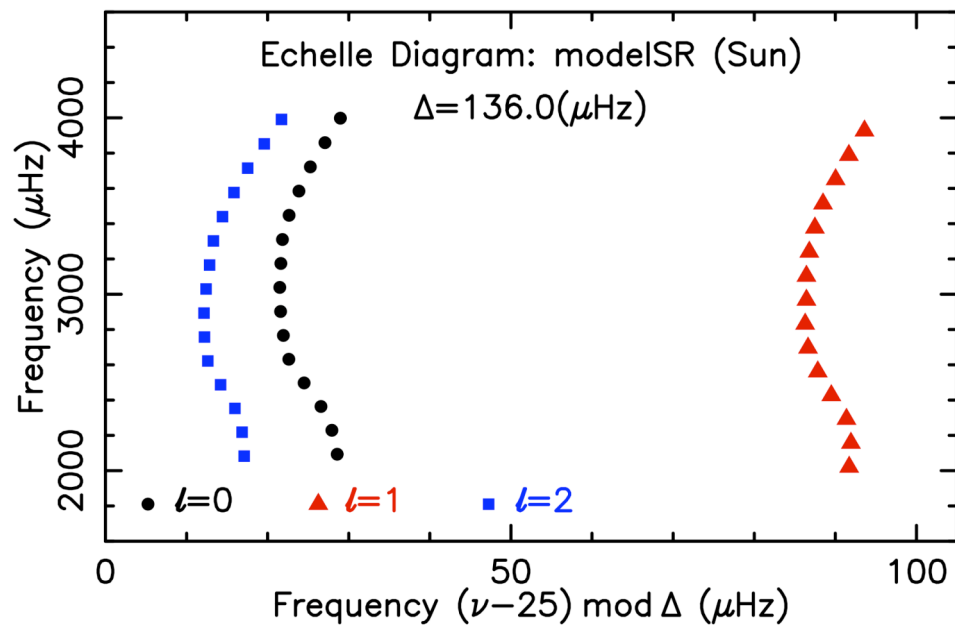


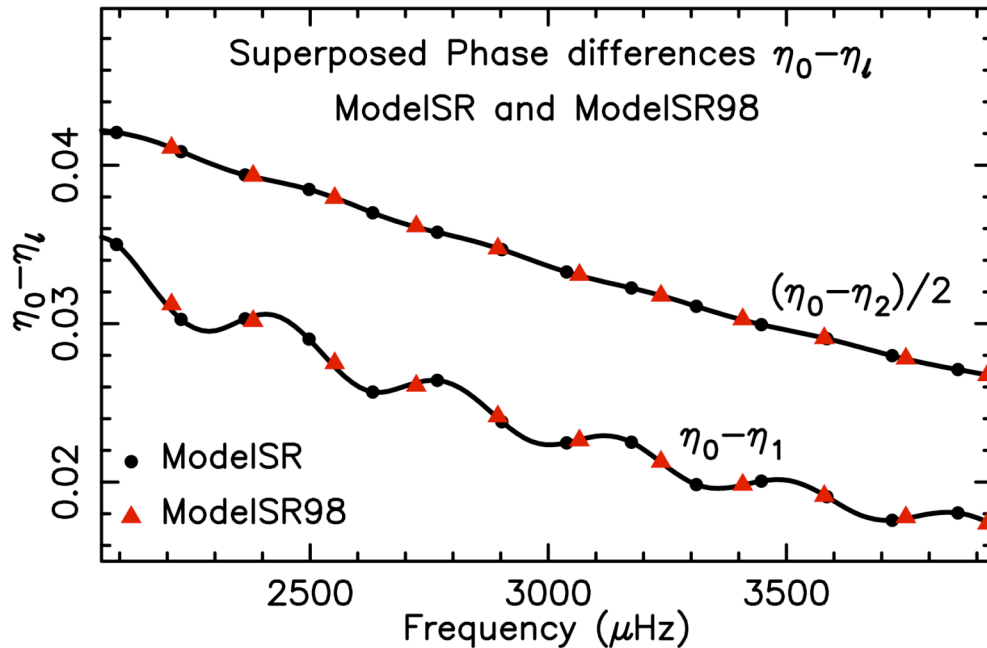
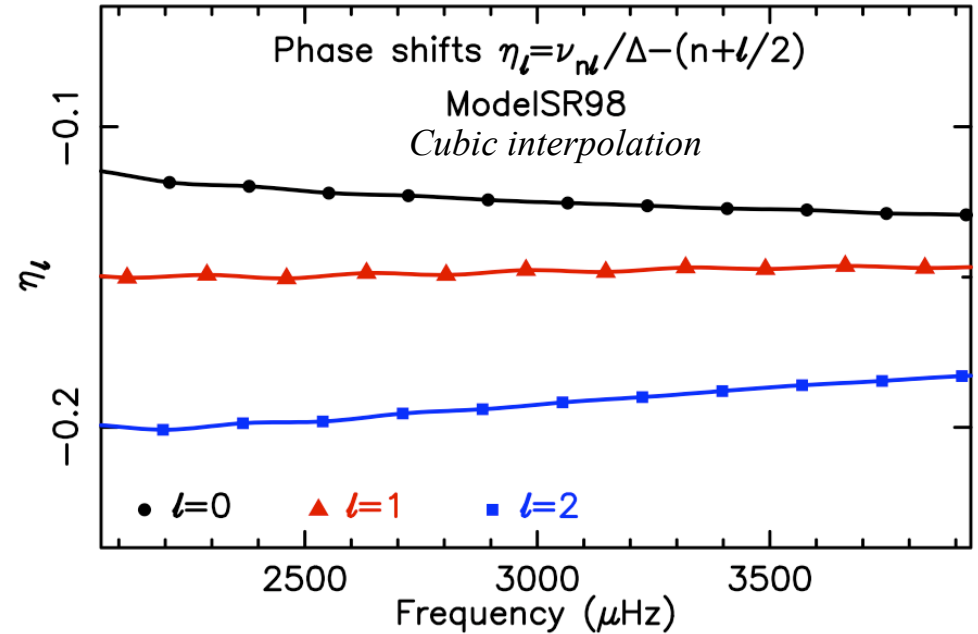
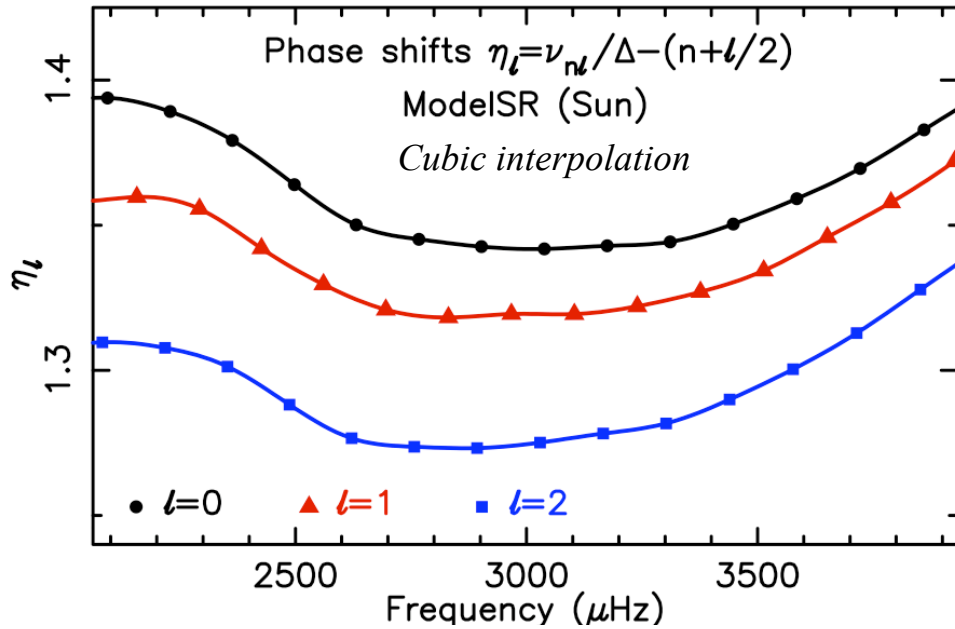
Separation ratios lie on same curve $r_{01}(\nu)$, $r_{02}(\nu)$ but not at the same frequencies and not at the same n values

n	ν_{n0}	$1.00R_{\odot}$		$0.98R_{\odot}$		
		r_{01}	r_{02}	ν_{n0}	r_{01}	r_{02}
14	—	—	—	2294.81	0.0301	0.0789
16	2296.25	0.0308	0.0790	2637.24	0.0247	0.0759
18	2564.44	0.0251	0.0717	2979.84	0.0226	0.0664
20	2834.77	0.0238	0.0742	3322.51	0.0199	0.0607
22	3106.56	0.0221	0.0645	3665.25	0.0178	0.0557
24	3379.25	0.0196	0.0600	—	—	—
26	3653.55	0.0175	0.0561	—	—	—

It is the functional form of $r_{01}(\nu)$, $r_{02}(\nu)$ that is signature of the interior structure; sample this at different frequencies for 2 models

Need some theoretical understanding





$\eta_l(\nu) - \eta_0(\nu)$ same curve SR, SR98
 Determined by interior structure
 Contribution of outer layers removed
 by subtraction- "independent" of l

Separation ratios $\cong \eta_l(\nu) - \eta_0(\nu)$

Why does it work - theory

$\eta_\ell(\nu)$ determined by structure;

ψ the scaled oscillating pressure

$$\frac{2\pi\nu\psi_\ell}{d\psi_\ell/dt} = \tan[2\pi\nu t - \ell\pi/2 - \pi\eta_\ell(\nu, t)]$$

$$\eta_\ell(\nu, t_f) = - \int_0^{t_f} \mathcal{F}_\ell(\nu, t, \eta_\ell, \rho, P, \Gamma_1) dt$$

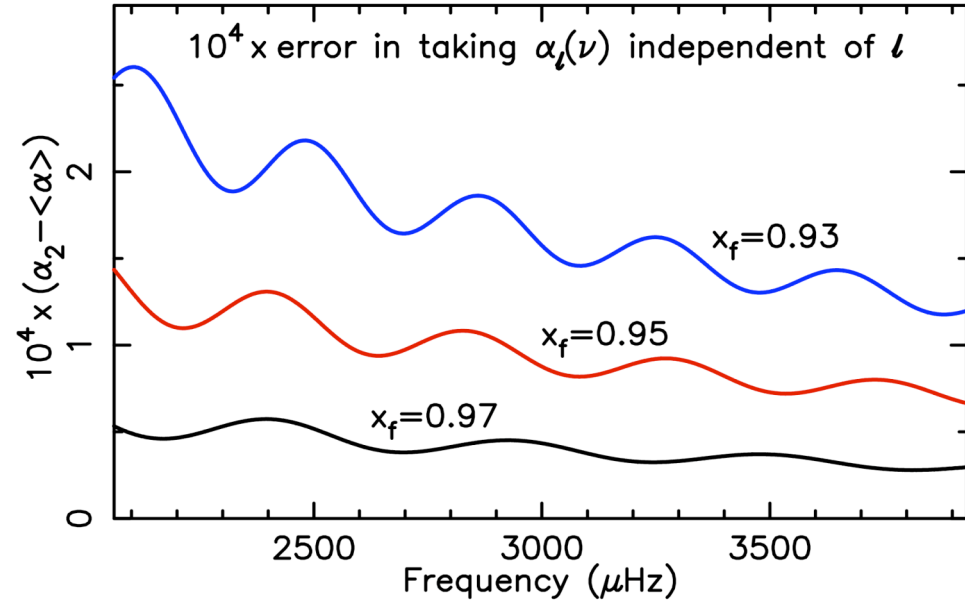
$$t_f = T, \psi_\ell = 0 : \frac{\nu_{n,\ell}}{\Delta T} = n + \ell/2 + \eta_\ell(\nu_{n,\ell})$$

Split $\eta_\ell = \alpha_\ell - \delta_\ell$: $\alpha_\ell(\nu, t_f) = \eta_\ell(\nu, T) - \eta_\ell(\nu, t_f)$, $\delta_\ell(\nu, t_f) = -\eta_\ell(\nu, t_f)$

$\alpha_\ell(\nu, t_f) = \alpha(\nu, t_f)$ very weakly dependent on ℓ in outer layers

$\eta_0(\nu) - \eta_\ell(\nu) = \delta_\ell(\nu, t_f) - \delta_0(\nu, t_f)$ independent of α from outer layers

and very weakly varying with t_f in intermediate outer layers



Comparing observed and model separation ratios

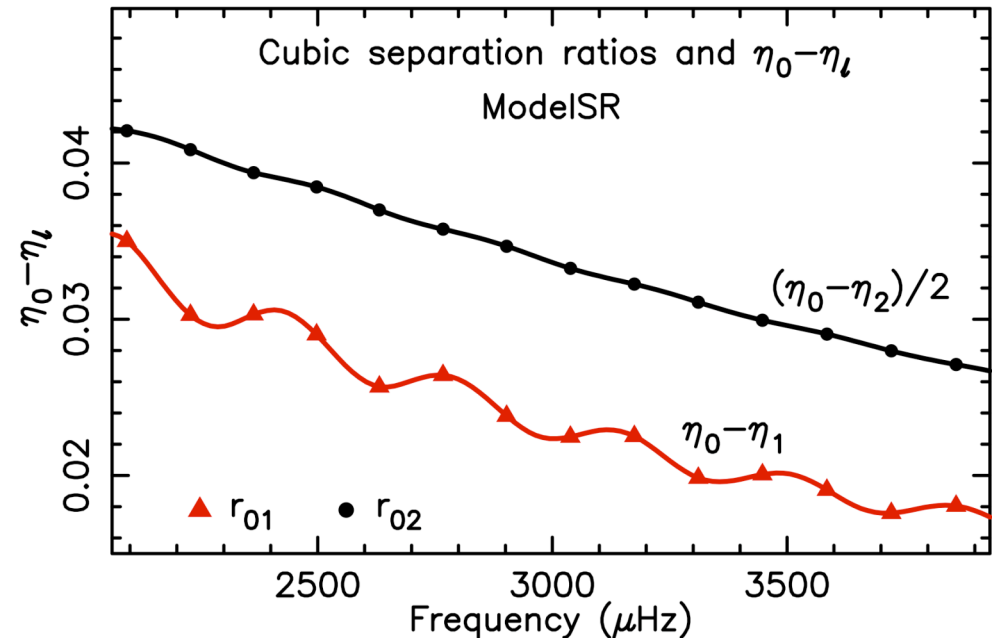
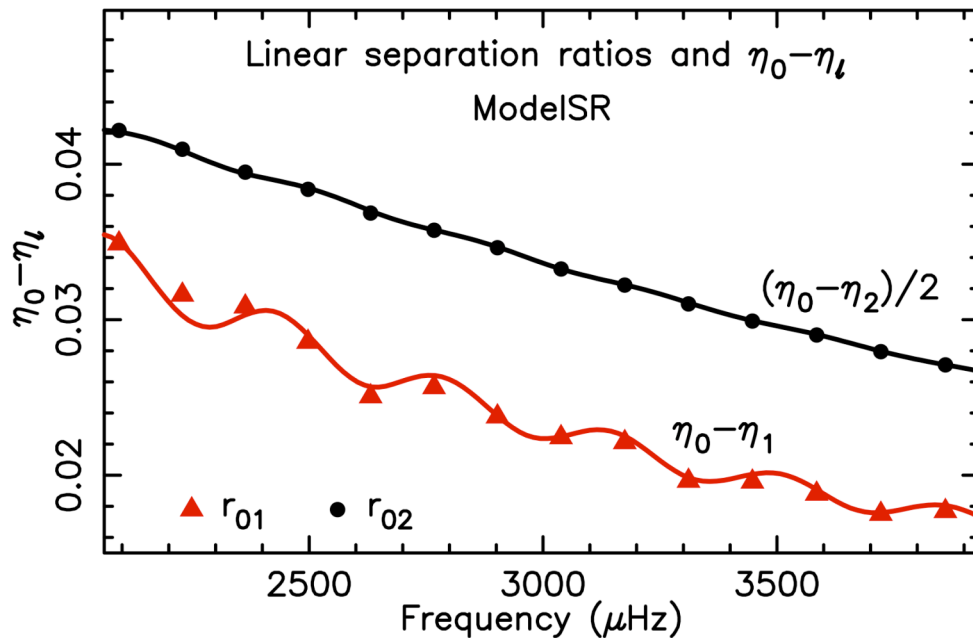
$$\eta_\ell(\nu_{n\ell}) = \frac{\nu_{n\ell}}{\Delta_T} - (n + \ell/2), \quad \eta_0(\nu_{n,0}) = \frac{\nu_{n,0}}{\Delta_T} - n : \quad \text{linear interpolation}$$

$$\eta_\ell(\nu_{n,0}) \approx \eta_\ell(\nu_{n-1,\ell}) + \frac{\eta_\ell(\nu_{n,\ell}) - \eta_\ell(\nu_{n-1,\ell})}{\nu_{n,\ell} - \nu_{n-1,\ell}} (\nu_{n,0} - \nu_{n-1,\ell})$$

$$\eta_\ell(\nu_{n,0}) - \eta_0(\nu_{n,0}) \approx r_{0,\ell} \quad \text{cubic interpolation } \eta_\ell(\nu_{n,0}) \text{ more accurate}$$

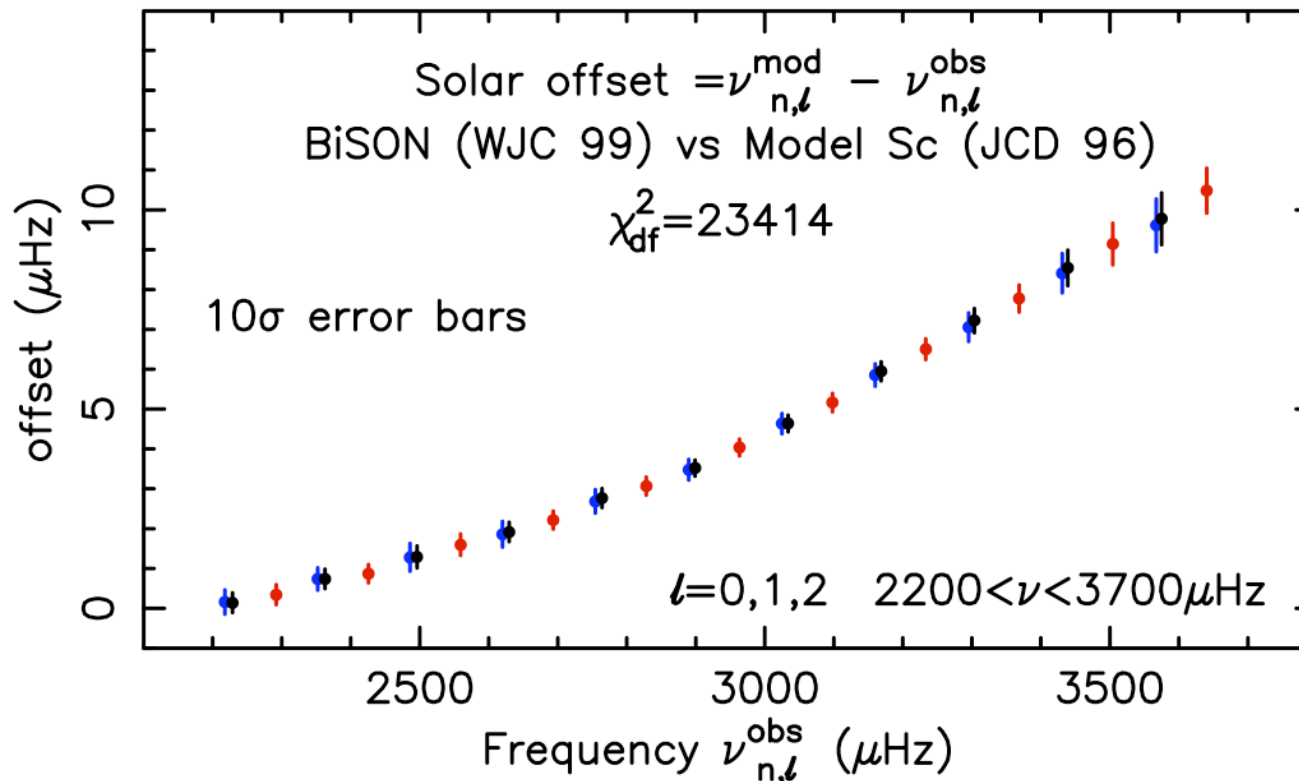
$$\chi^2 = \sum_1^N \left(\frac{r_{0\ell}^{obs}(\nu^{obs}) - r_{0\ell}^{mod}(\nu^{obs})}{\sigma_{0\ell}^r(\nu^{obs})} \right)^2$$

CORRECT !



Problem: Solar models don't fit solar data

$$f(\nu_{n,l}^{mod}) = \nu_{nl}^{obs} - \nu_{nl}^{mod} \quad \chi_{df}^2 = \frac{1}{N_\nu} \sum \frac{(\nu_{nl}^{obs} - \nu_{nl}^{mod})^2}{\sigma_{nl}^2}$$



*Poor modelling of outer layers - non-adiabatic convection (MLT),
Non-adiabatic oscillations – atmosphere - micro/macro physics
Need to correct for unknown effects of outer layers*

Surface Layer corrections Kjeldsen et al (2008)

Fit solar offset by simple power law $f(\nu) = a\nu^b$ using average ν and Δ

Fit average $\langle \nu_{n,0} \rangle$ and $\langle \Delta \rangle$ [least squares fit to $\nu_{n,0} - \langle \nu_{n,0} \rangle$]

For other stars and models:

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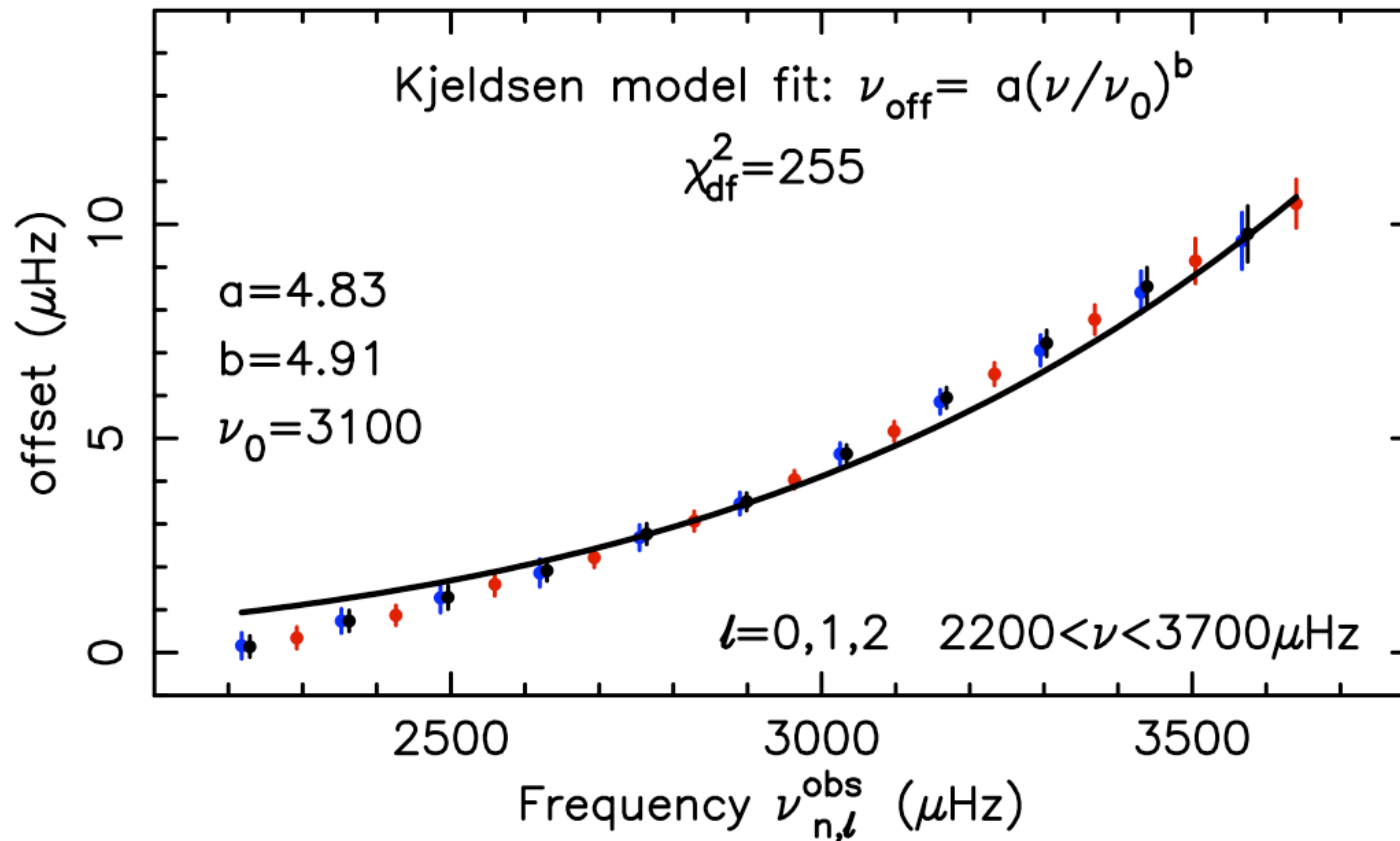
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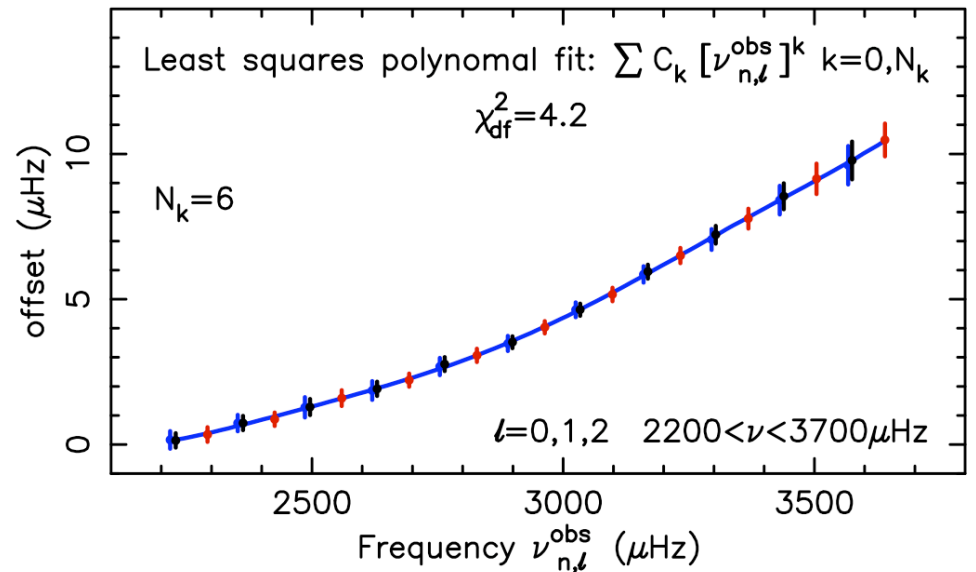
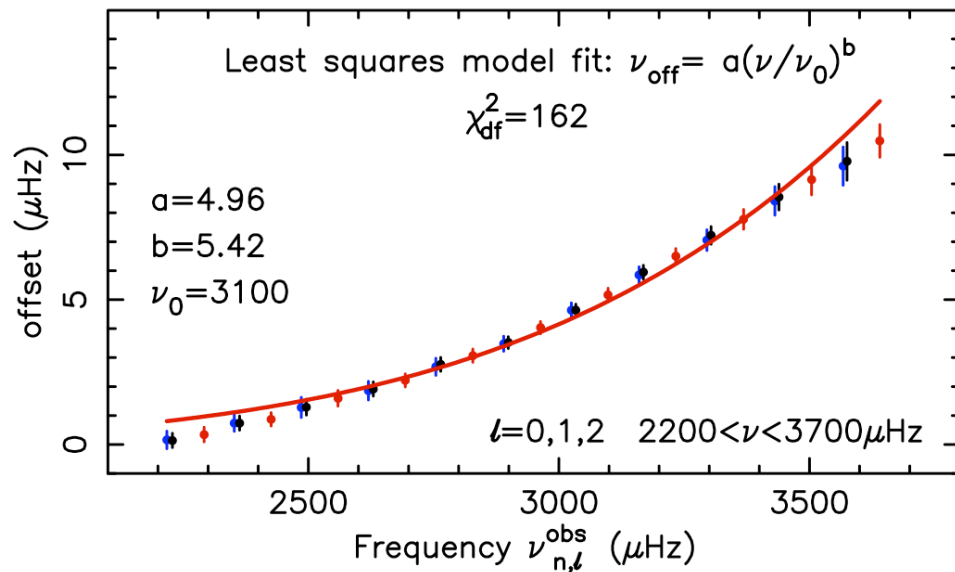
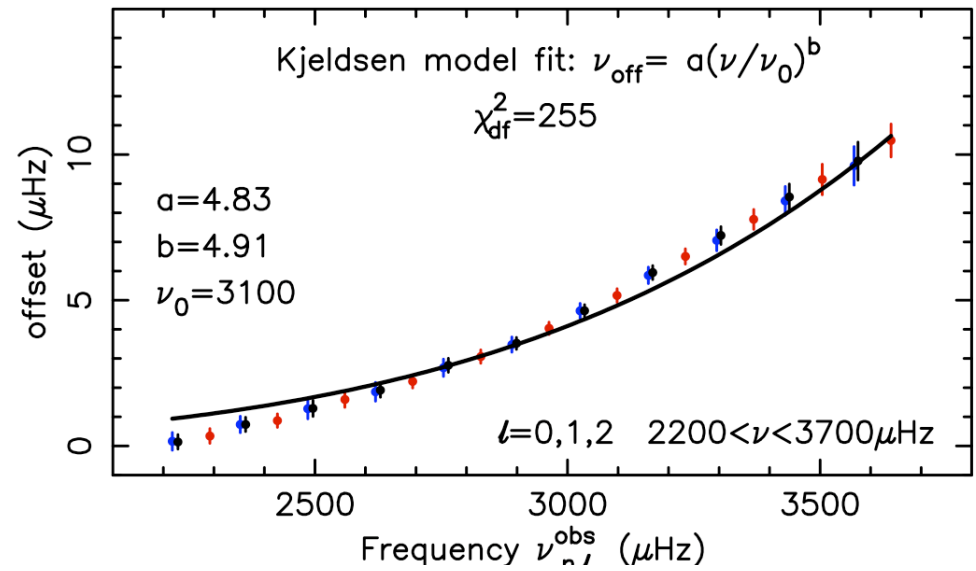
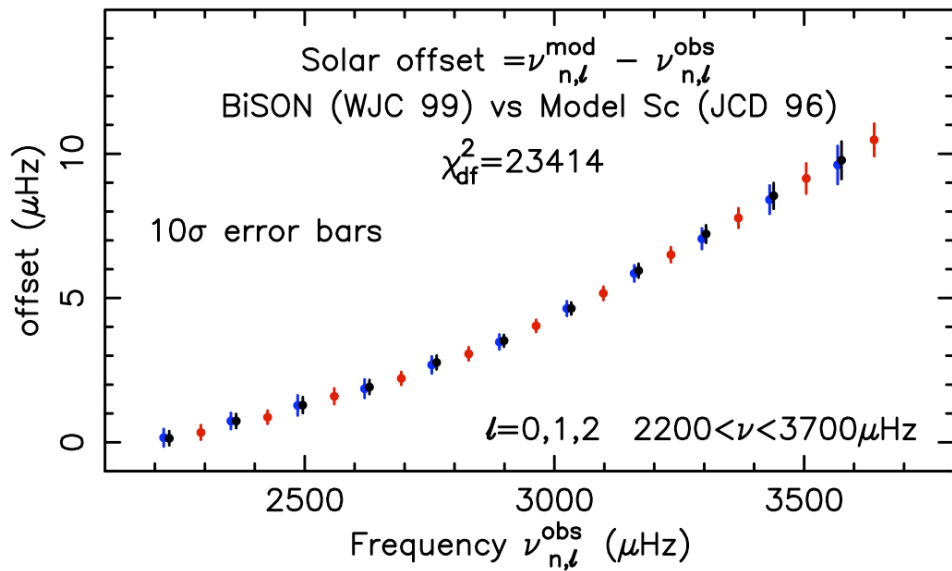
This is now included in Asteroseismic Portal (Metcalfe et al 2009) !!

Kjeldsen et al (2008) model of Solar offset

$$f(\nu_{n,l}) = a \left[\frac{\nu_{nl}^{obs}}{\nu_0} \right]^b \quad \chi_{df}^2 = \frac{1}{N_\nu - 2} \sum \frac{(\nu_{nl}^{obs} - \nu_{nl}^{mod} - f(\nu_{n,l}^{mod}))^2}{\sigma_{nl}^2}$$



Fits to solar offset



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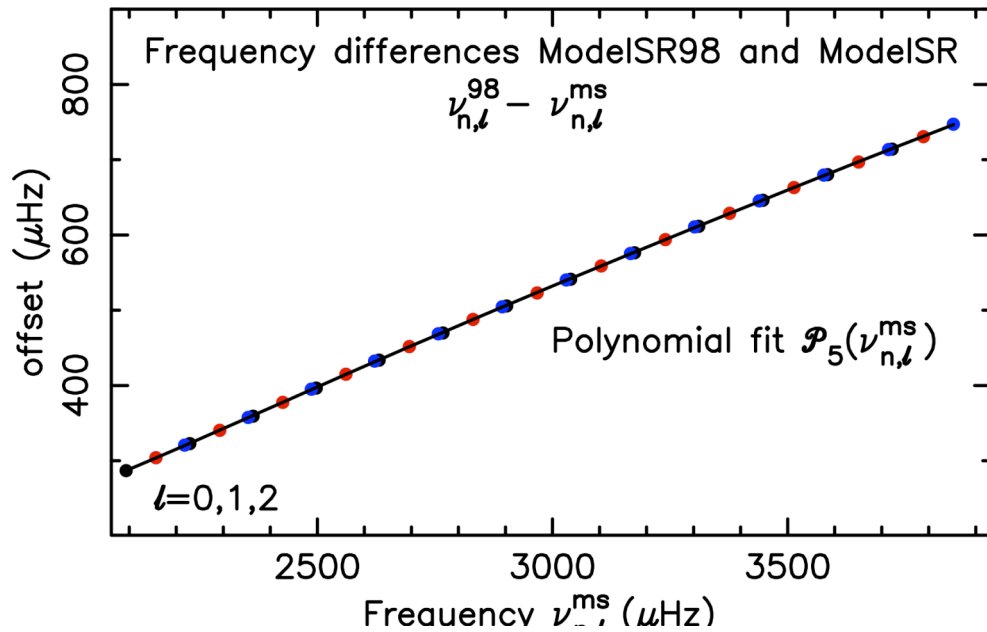
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2. There is neither theoretical nor observational justification for taking b as a universal constant! ... expect $b=b(g, T_{eff}, \alpha, X, Z_k, \dots)$

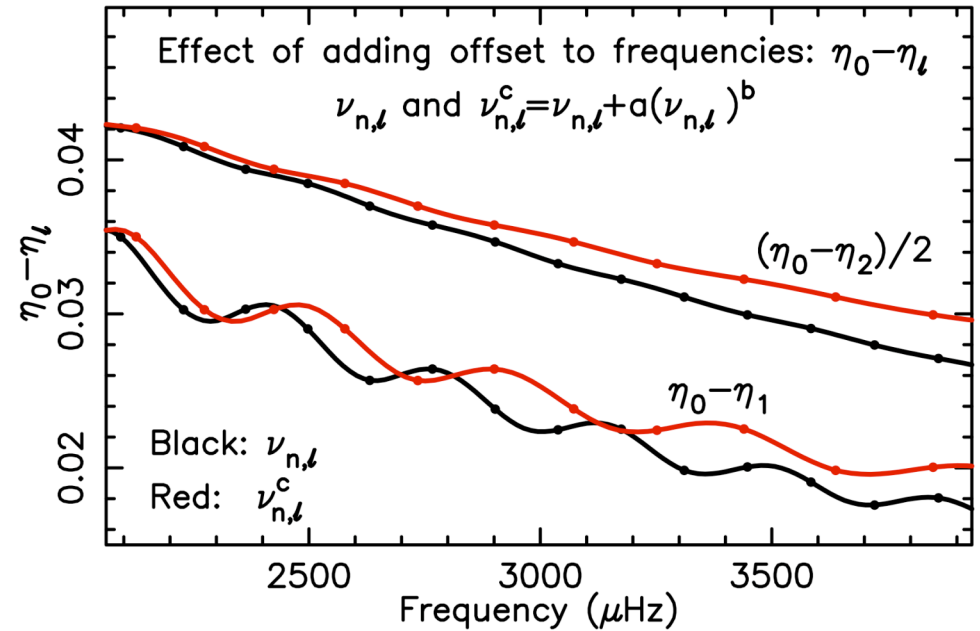
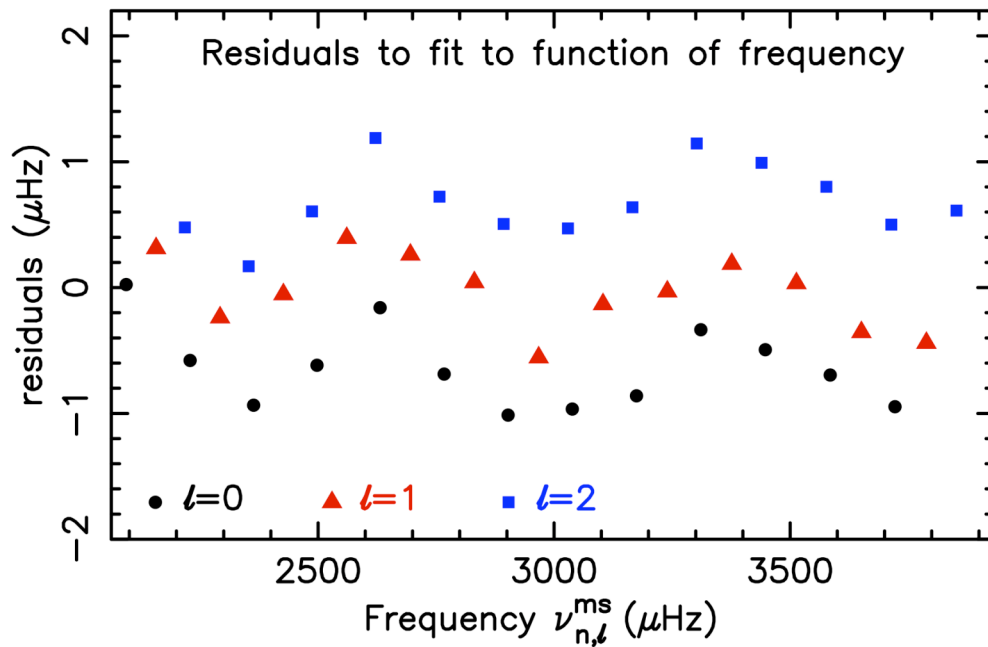
Adding a “correction” function $f(\nu)$ to model frequencies – best fit “corrected” model will not have internal structure of observed star

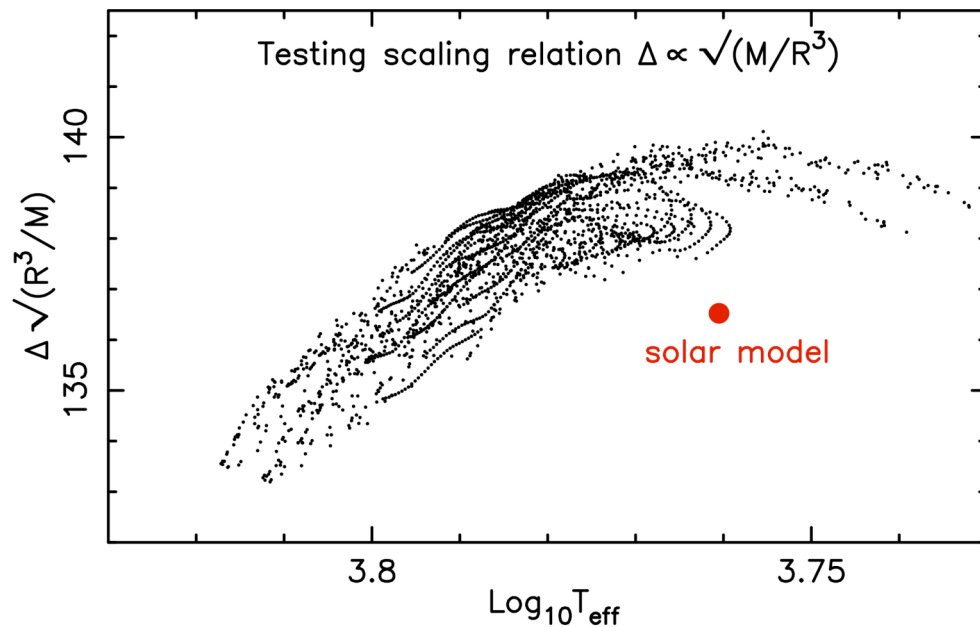
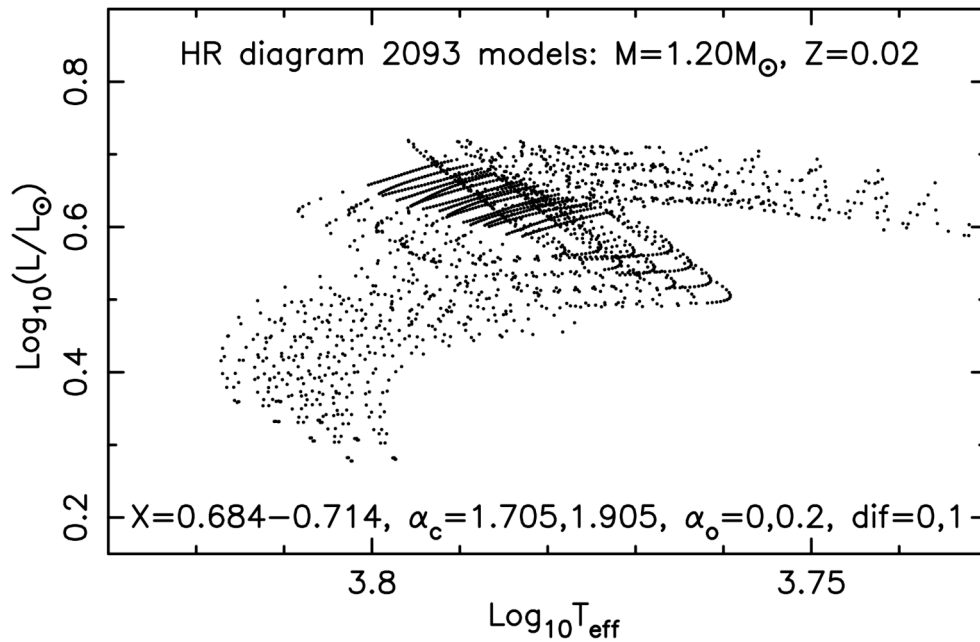


Effect of adding $f(\nu)$ to frequencies of model with same interior

If same interior but added $f(\nu)$ doesn't fit frequencies

If add offset to model the phase differences $\eta_0 - \eta_l$ are not same





*Testing the scaling relation
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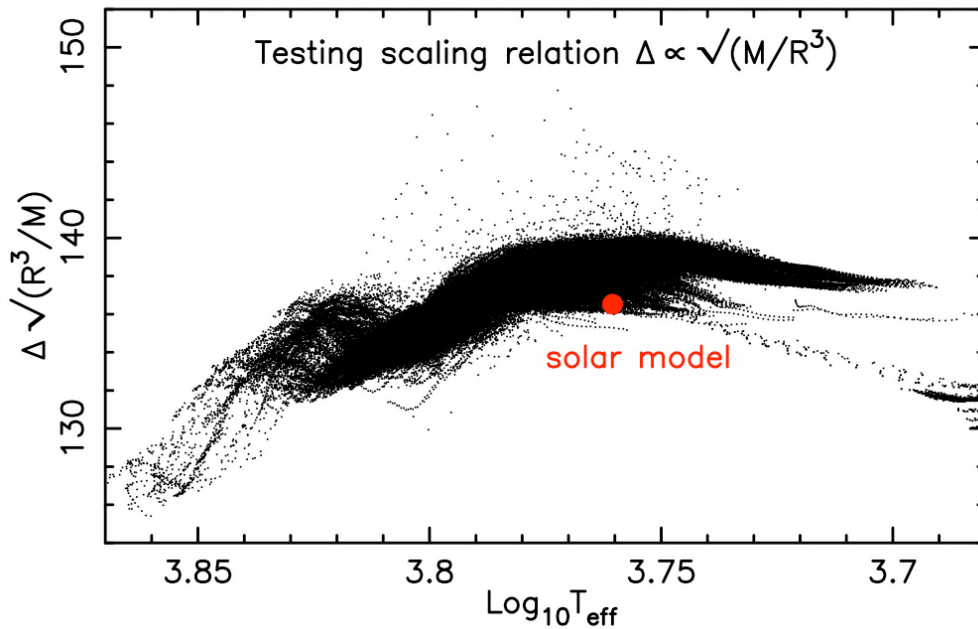
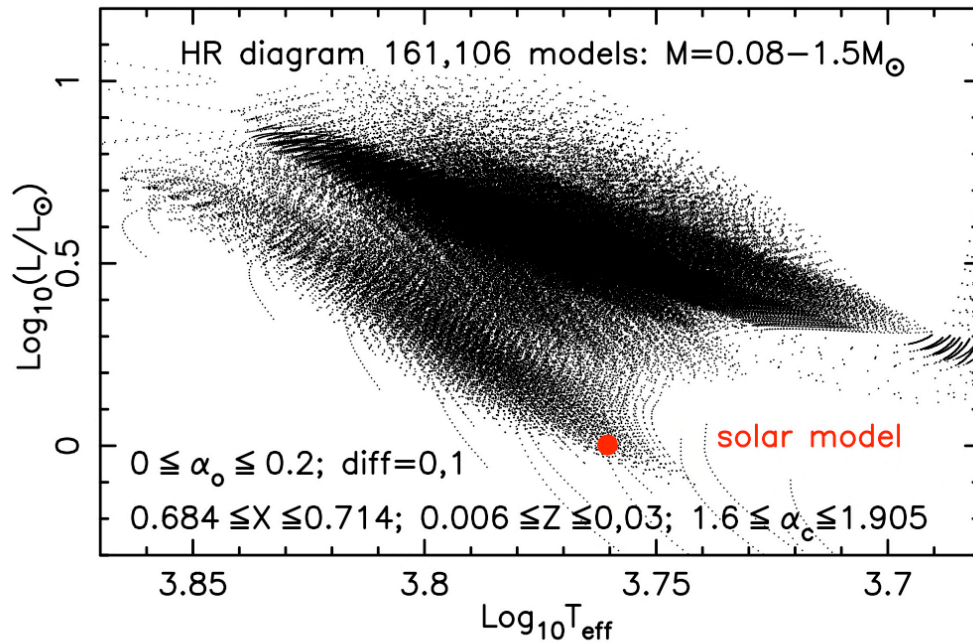
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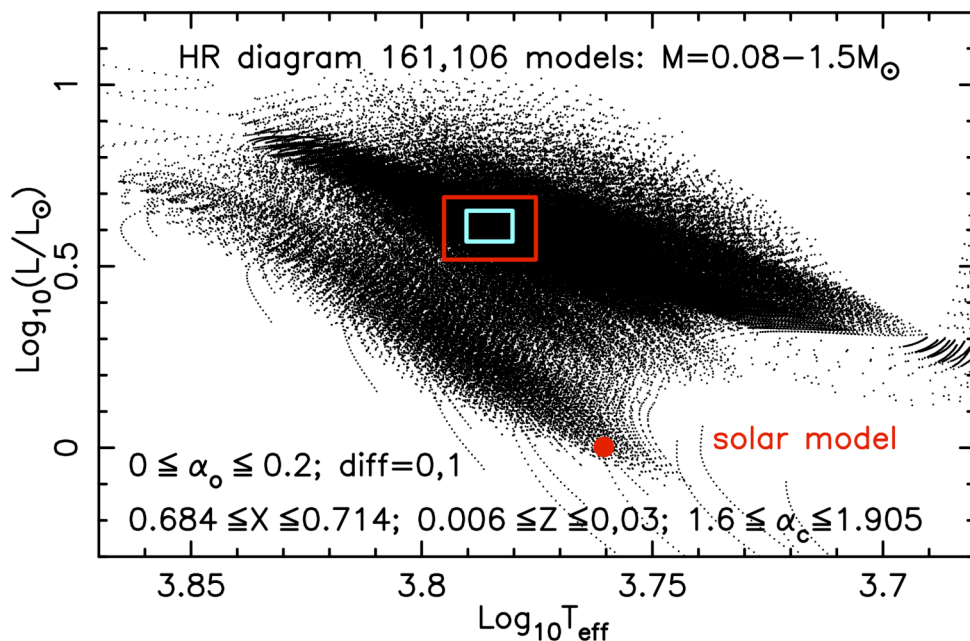


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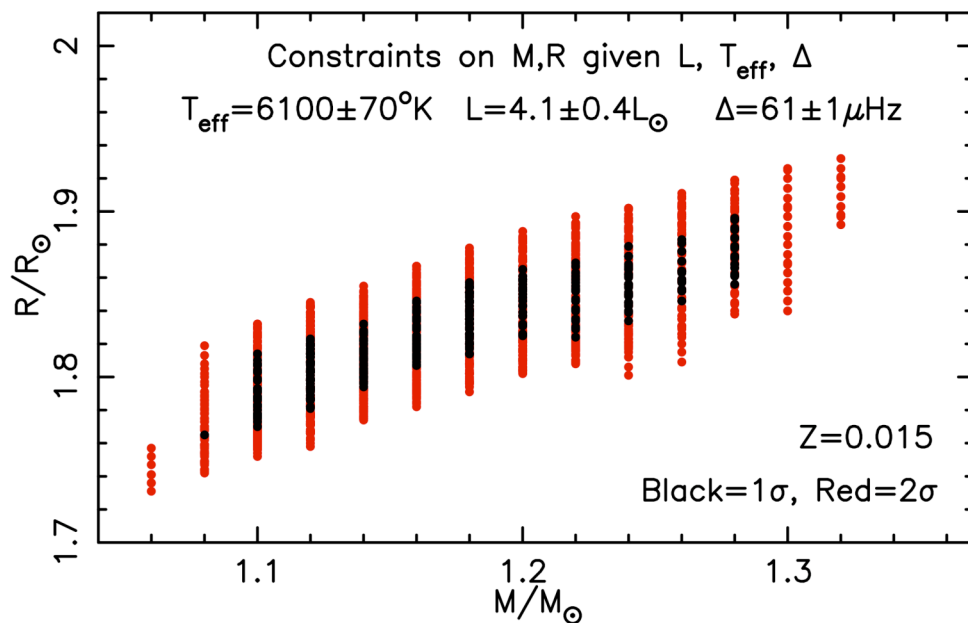


Constraining Mass using Large Separation

$$L = 4.1 \pm 0.4 L_{\text{sun}}$$

$$T_{\text{eff}} = 6100 \pm 70 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{K}$$

$$\Delta = 61.0 \pm 1.0 \text{ } \mu\text{Hz}$$



1σ : $1.10 < M/M_{\text{sun}} < 1.28$
 290 models $3.5-6.1 \times 10^9 \text{y}$

2σ : $1.06 < M/M_{\text{sun}} < 1.32$
 1153 models $3.2-6.6 \times 10^9 \text{y}$

Mass not well constrained !

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