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# The very centre

Genzel, Ghez, Alexander, Perets,...

- No doubt about the black hole!
- Its mass is very well determined
- Little extra mass (<5%) DM or stars within the S2 orbit
- No evidence for IMBHs: M < 5000 Msun for P < 5yr
- Beginning to constrain GR parameters but hard to compete with the double pulsars
- Accurate distance to the Galactic Centre: Rsun = 8.2 kpc
- Focus on circum-BH stellar populations unexpectedly young with complex structure, varying strongly with r
- In some cases hypervelocity stars also surprisingly young and ejected from centre

Reid

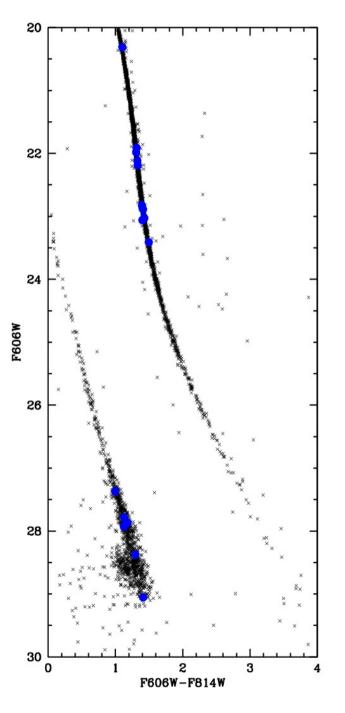
## **Precision Galactic Structure**

VLBA observations of masers, Sag A\*  $\rightarrow 50 \mu$ sec accuracy

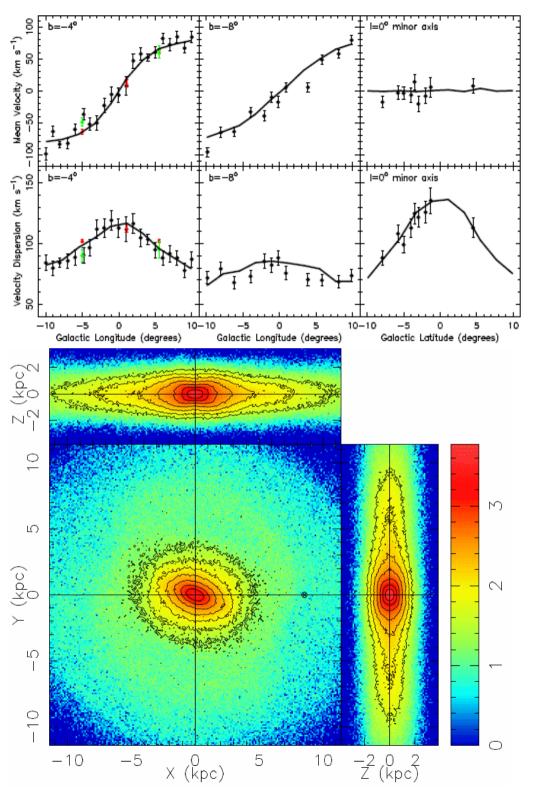
• Vsun/Rsun = 30 +/- 1 km/sec/kpc Rsun = 8.4 +/- 0.6 kpc, Vsun = 245 +/- 12 km/s

•  $V_z$  (Sag A\*) < 1 km/s! Constraint on warps...?

Rich, Richer, (richest?)

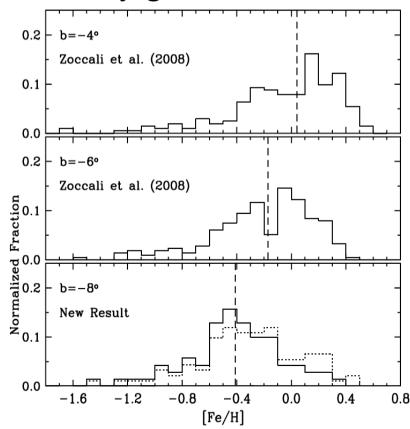


- Proper motion cleaned CM diagram of bulge cluster NGC 6397
- Such data produce precise ages
- Bulge is almost all > 10Gyr old

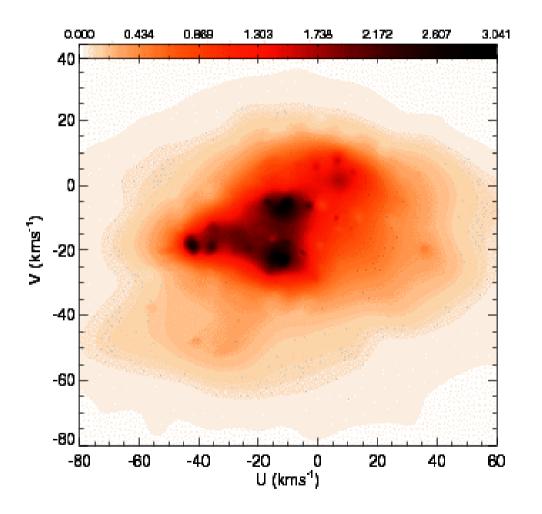


#### Gerhard, Shen, Rich, Freeman

- Bulge/bar reaches ~4kpc, bigger than disk scale-length ~2.5kpc?
- Formation from a flat bar fits photometry and kinematics
- What about age and metallicity gradient?

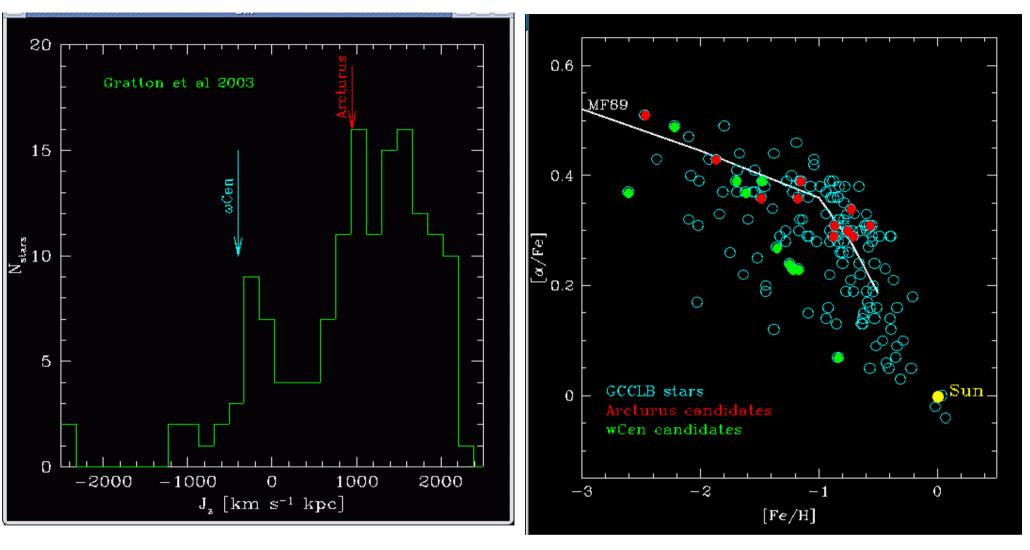


#### Dehnen, Binney, Sellwood



- Present kinematic samples show MW is neither axisymmetric nor in a steady state
- Description in terms of f(I) must fail
- Structures are a consequence of spiral/bar structures
- Do they *drive* spirals?

# Metal poor moving groups in the local disk



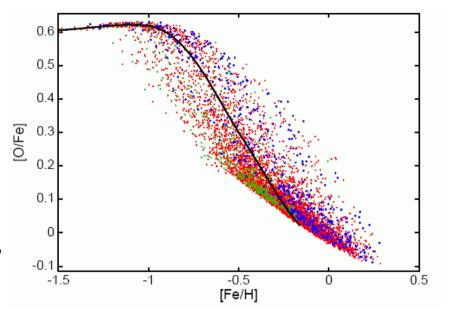
Navarro

Orbits confined to the disk, but strongly sub-circular Appear to be accreted objects

# **Migration of disk stars**

Binney, Sellwood

Transient spirals give broad resonances exchange J with disk stars



They cause stars to migrate in radius without major increases in eccentricity

Stars can migrate (diffuse) in both directions

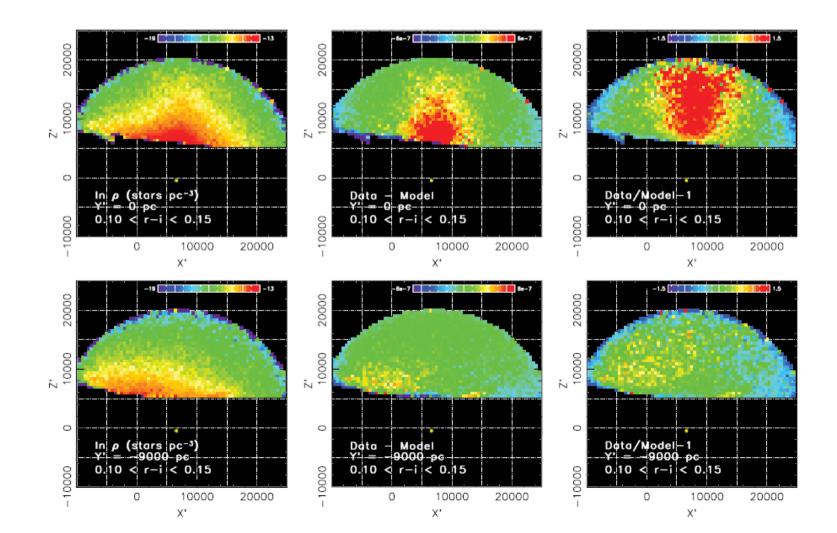
This can explain observed lack of age-Z relation near the Sun

May also explain thick disk properties?

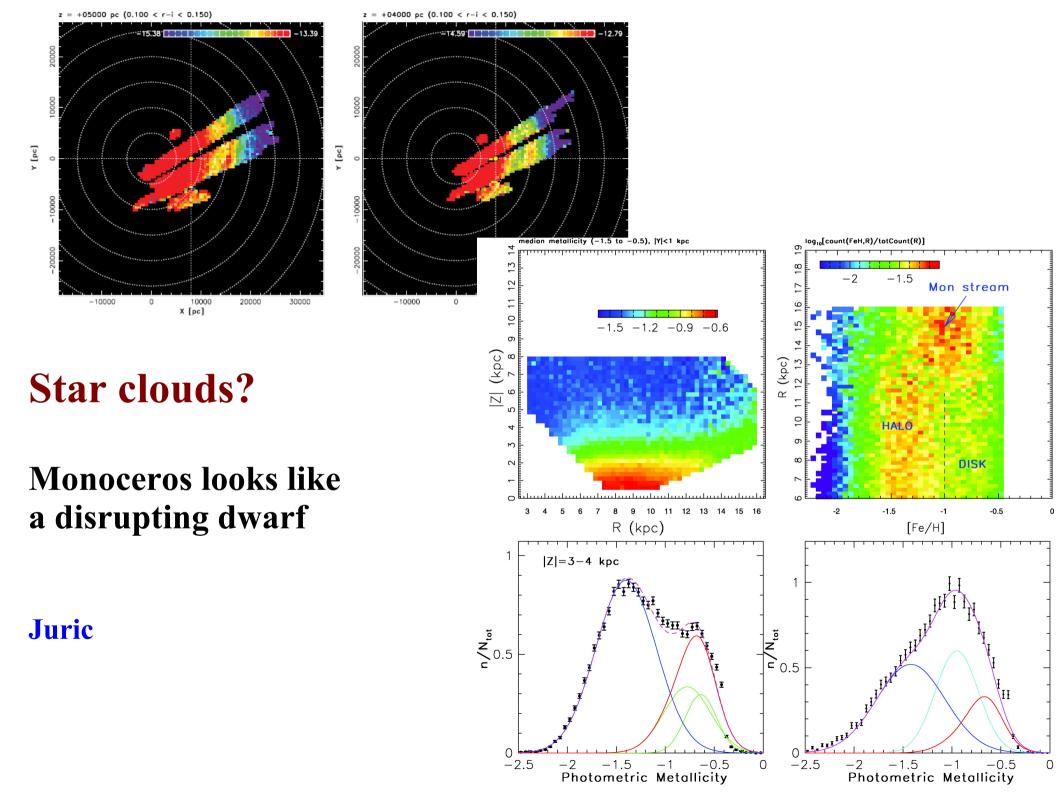
Requires continual disk cooling (new gas?) to maintain activity?

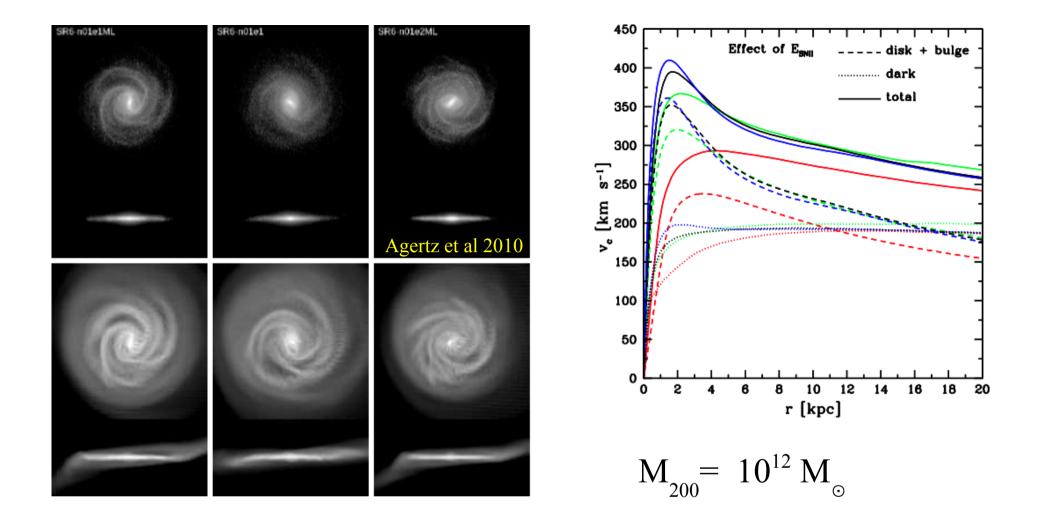
### **Star clouds?**

#### The Virgo overdensity is huge and asymmetric



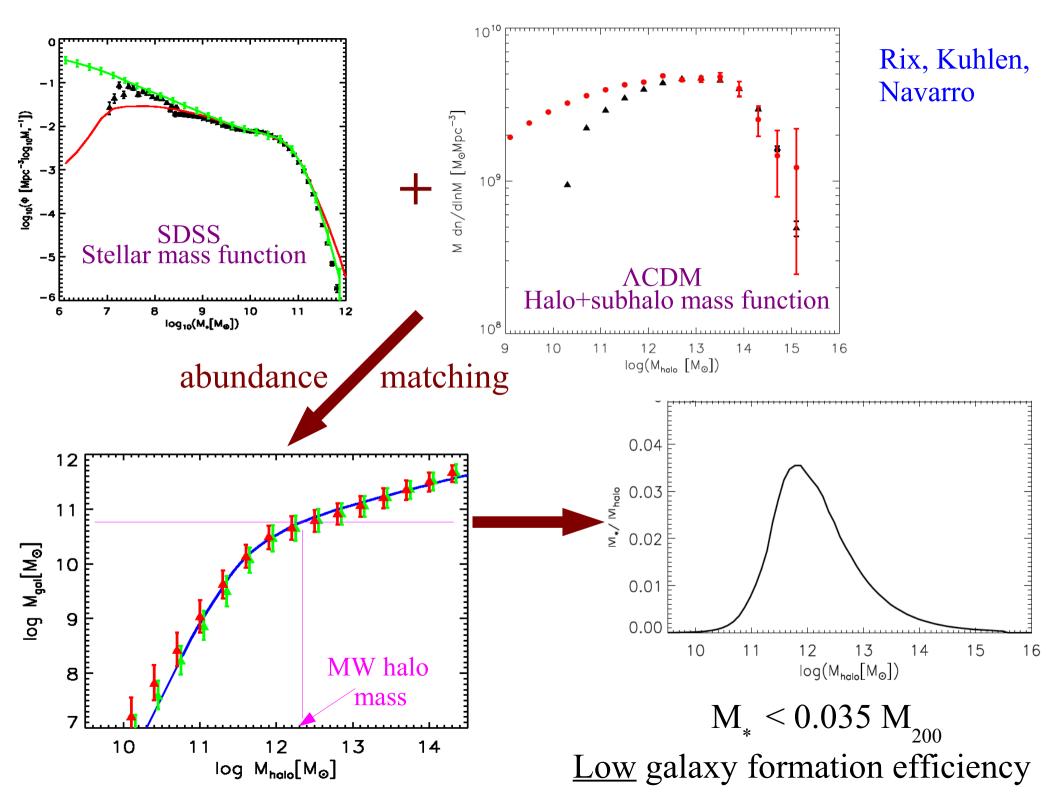
Juric

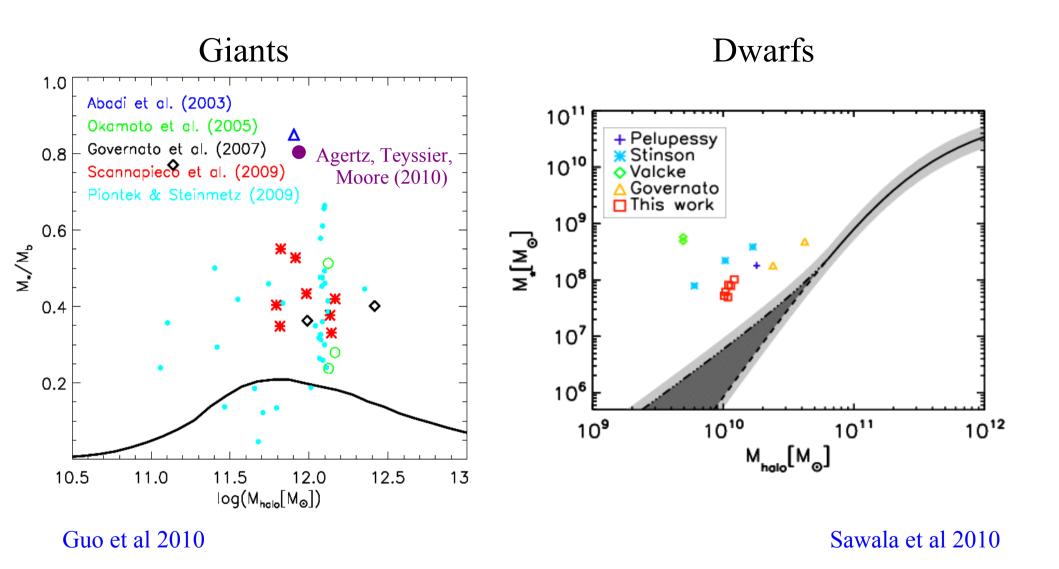




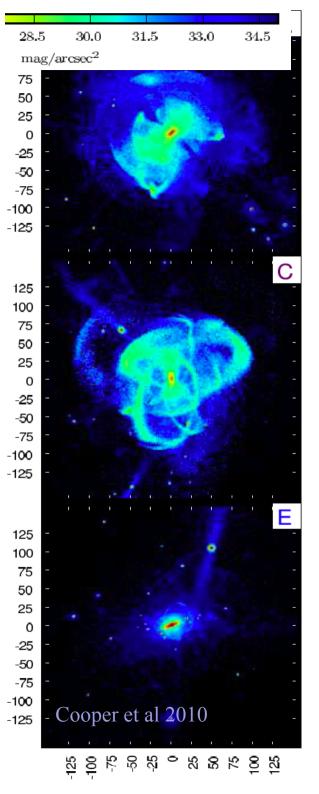
LCDM disk formation simulations don't ---Those with nice disks are much too massive --- Those with proper formation efficiency make poor disks.

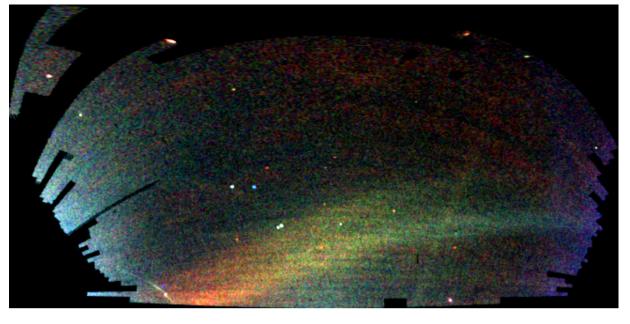
#### Navarro



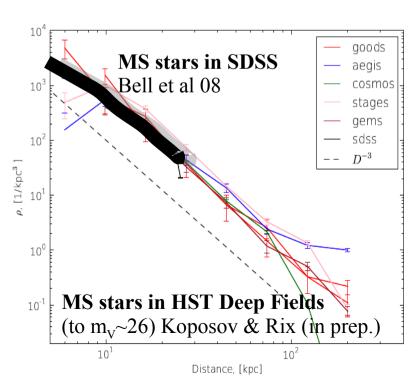


All LCDM simulations form overly massive galaxies Those with the best disks are the most overly massive

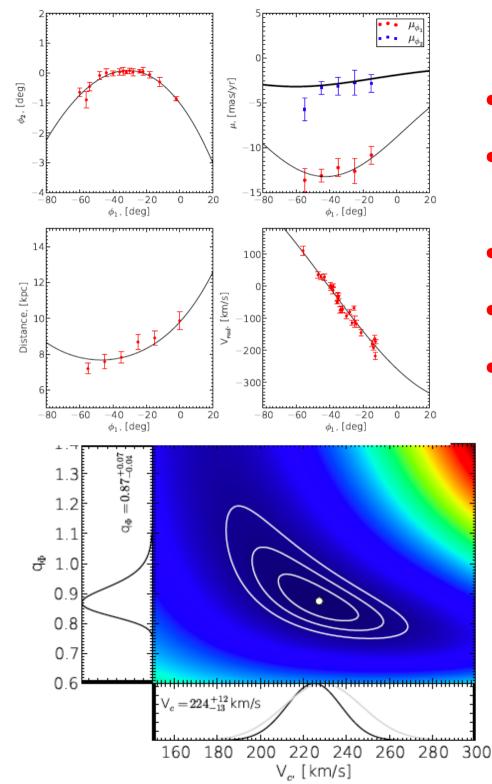




Rix, Belokurov, Vogelsberger, Wilkinson

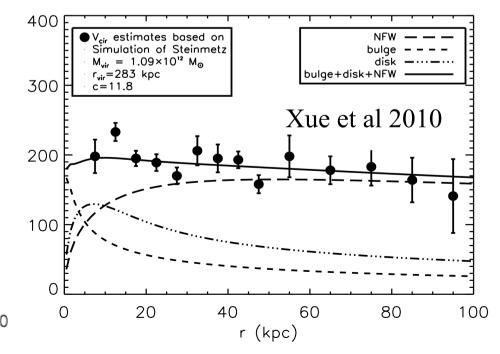


- Stellar halo made of streams at big r
- But profile seems regular....
- Can we use Jeans' models to get mass?
- DM structure should be more regular

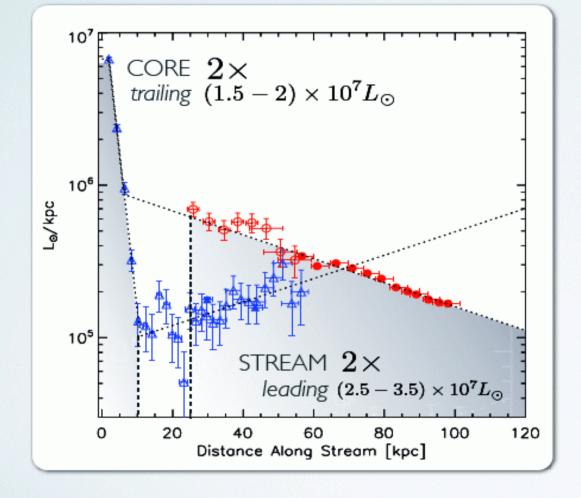


#### Rix, Reid, Majewski

- GD1 stream gives accurate orbit
- Constrains shape and circular velocity of halo
- Constraints also from BHB stars
- Agreement with VLBA data?
- Agreement with Sag stream? potential shape?



# RE-ASSEMBLING SAGITTARIUS



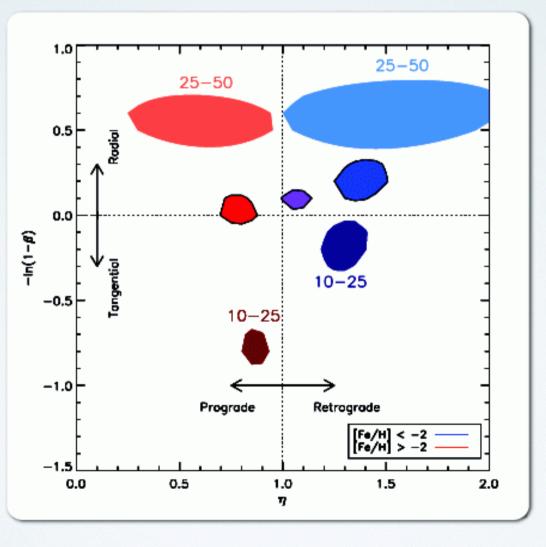
The progenitor of the Sgr dSph had a luminosity of  $\sim 10^8 L_{\odot}$ 

and lost ~ 60% of its <u>stellar</u> mass during tidal disruption

Belokurov

# CHEMO-DYNAMICALVIEW OFTHE OUTER HALO

2125 stars

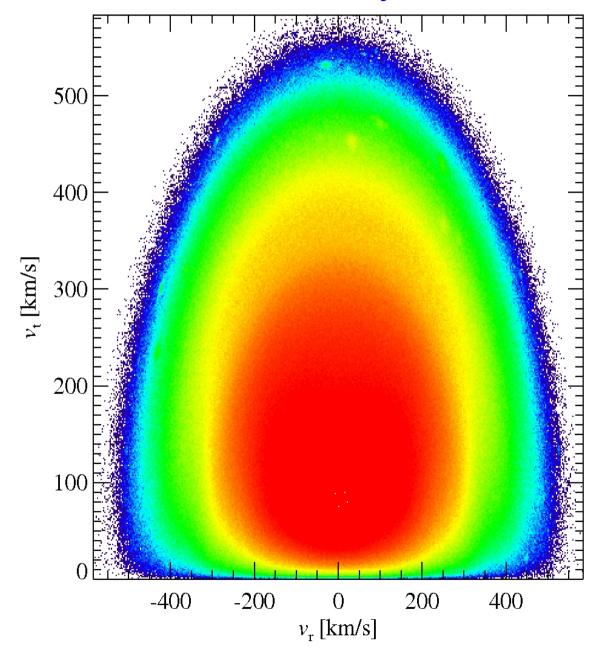


1135 stars

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## Dark matter phase-space structure in the inner MW

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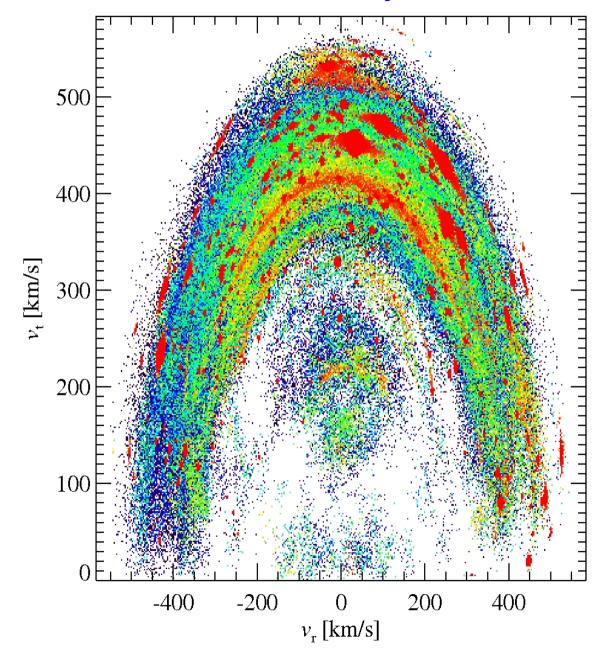


6 kpc < r < 12 kpc

$$N = 3.8 \times 10^{7}$$

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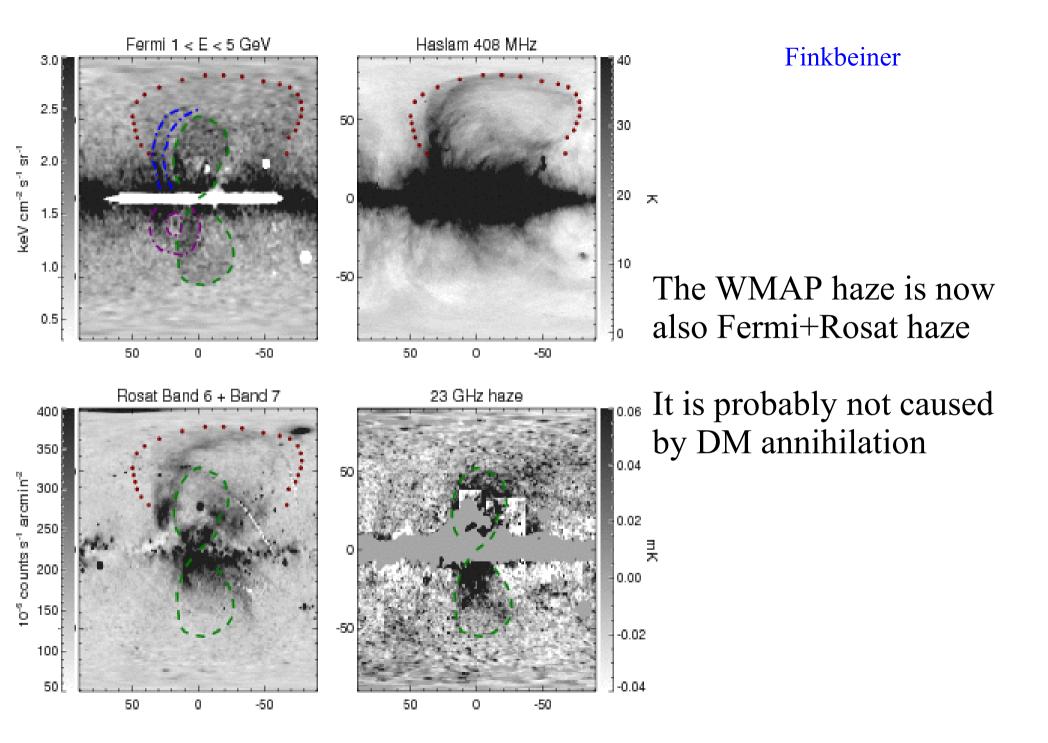
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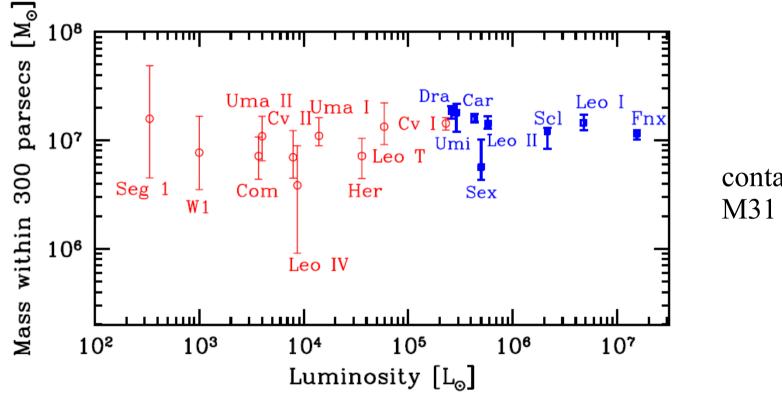
Particles in detected phase-space structure

 $N = 3.0 \times 10^5$  $N_{subhalo} = 3.9 \times 10^4$ 



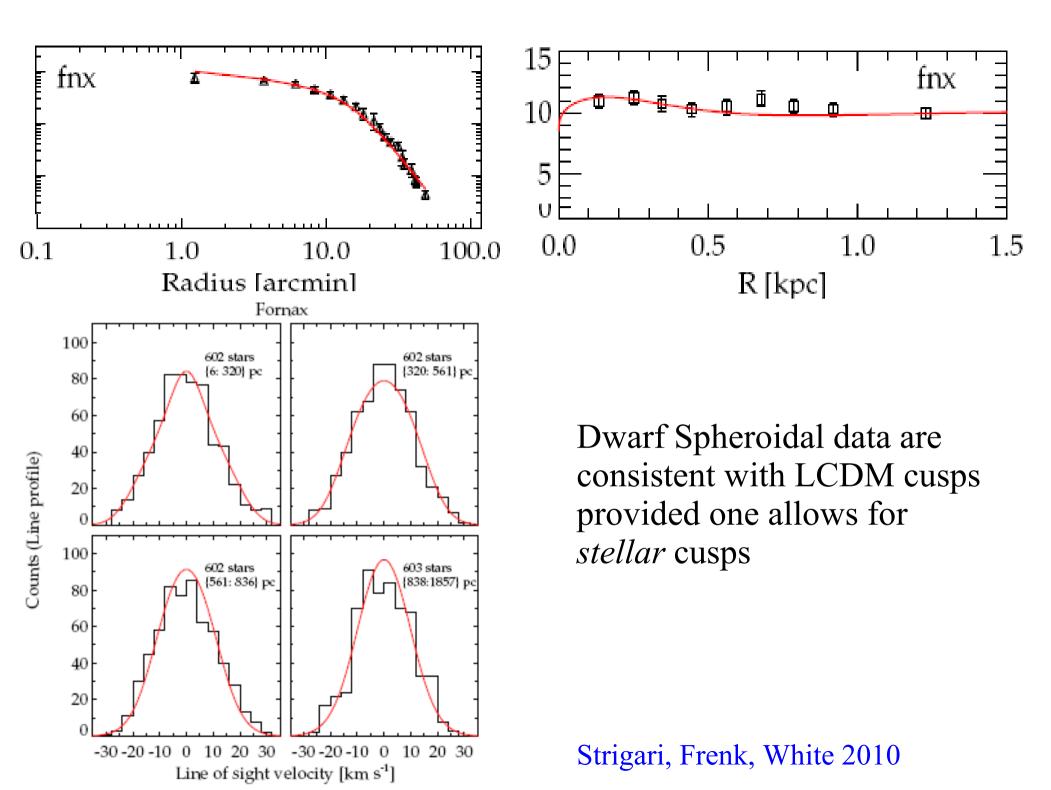
## A common mass scale for local dwarfs?

#### Grebel



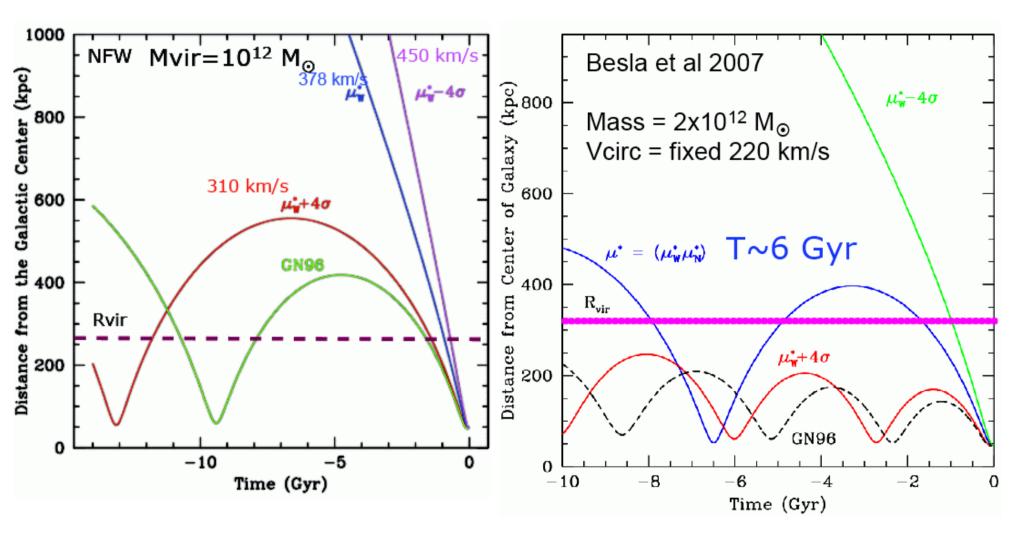
contamination.. M31 data...

Does "common" mass mean similar DM halo? Can dwarfs indicate the nature of DM?

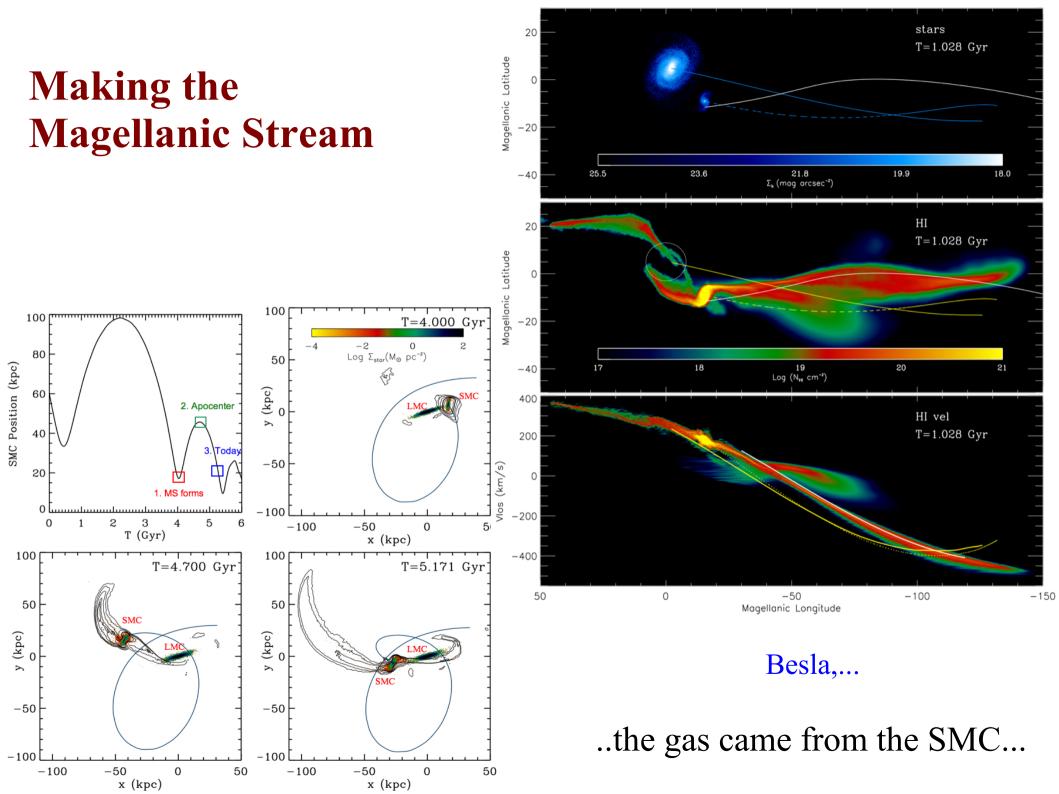


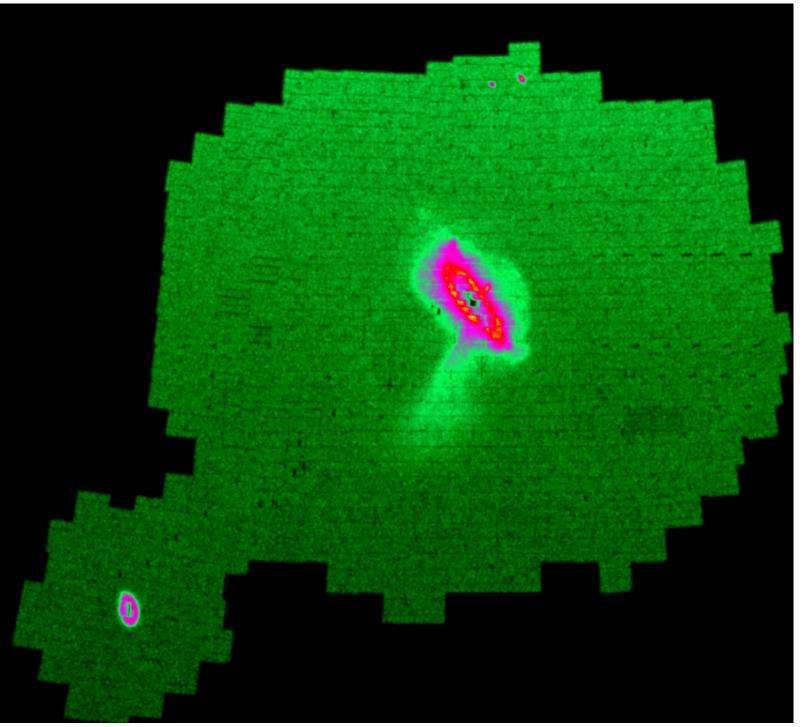
## **New MC proper motions**

#### Kallivayalil



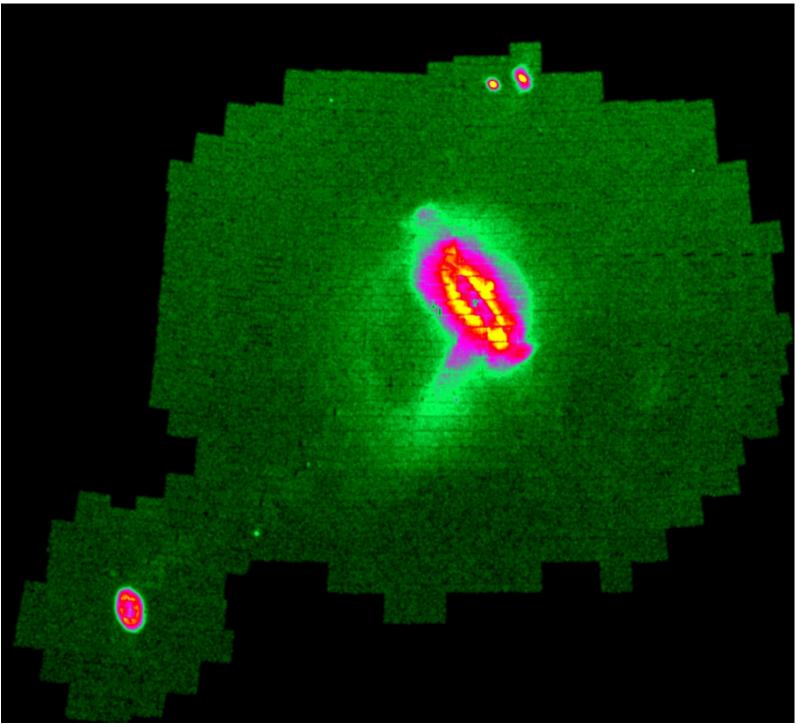
Longer (infinite?) orbital period, more massive MW? More massive MW needed (in LCDM) for MC's to be "plausible"





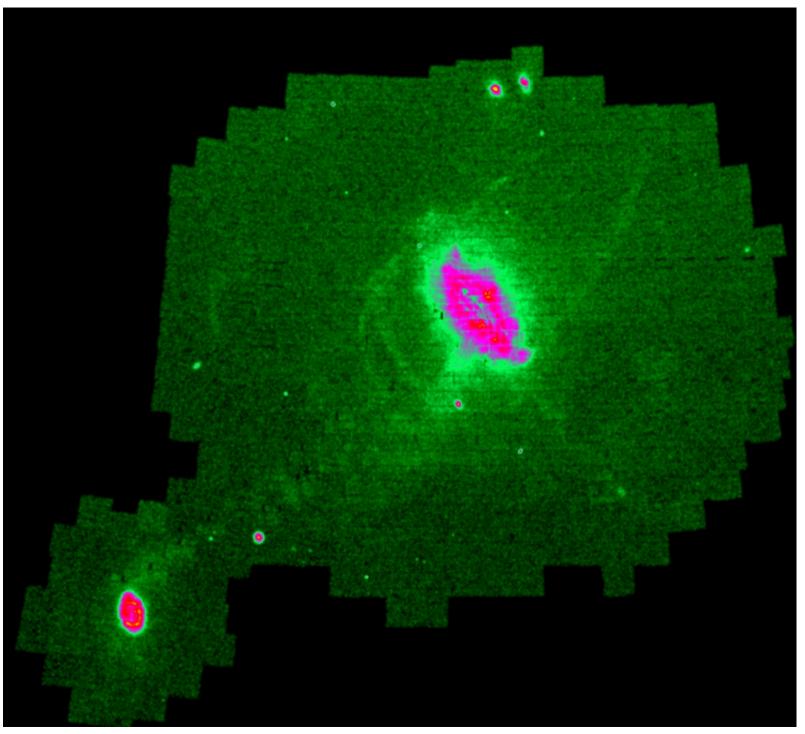
#### Ibata, Navarro

### hi-Z stars around M31



Ibata, Navarro

### mid-Z stars around M31



#### Ibata, Navarro

low-Z stars around M31

GCs follow streams Made in dwarfs?

## The way forward?

Try to see the whole elephant.

**Beware of equilibrium/symmetric models** 

Move beyond botany to physics

Link to other galaxies/other times

Find and follow the gas

## **Questions?**

What can we learn from streams? hypervelocity stars? S-stars? Can chemical tagging work? How do we link high and low z? Can we separate secular and externally driven evolution? Where are the MW baryons today?