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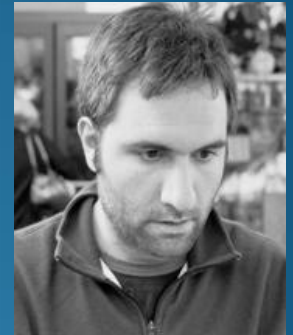
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Outline

1. An introduction to the local group



2. A new mass estimator: accurate without knowledge of anisotropy/beta

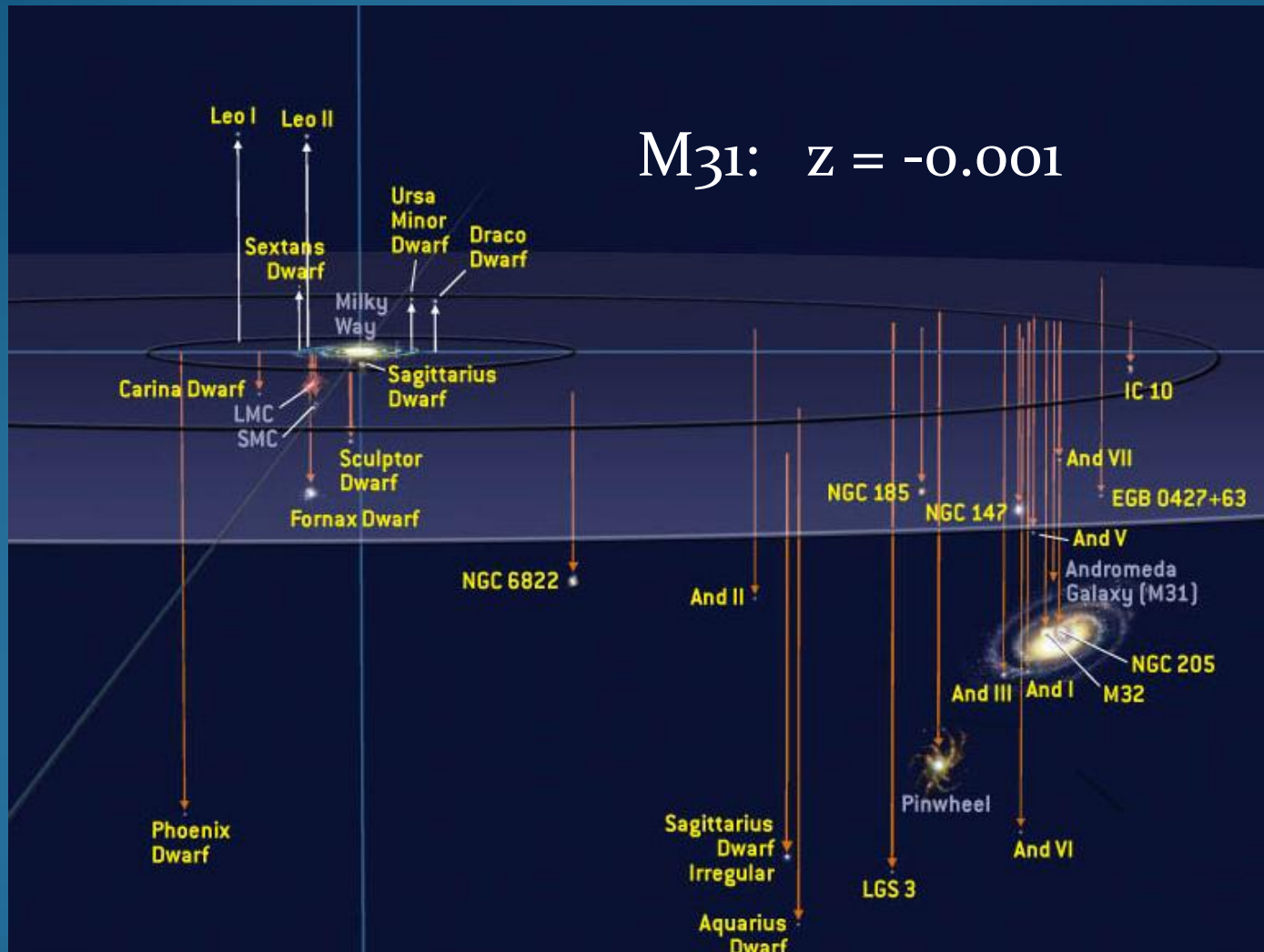


3. Utilizing new mass estimator to probe galaxy formation scenarios & to connect small and large scales



The Local Group

(So, what's this redshift everyone keeps talking about?)



Roan Kelly / Astronomy

The new dwarf galaxy pond after SDSS:



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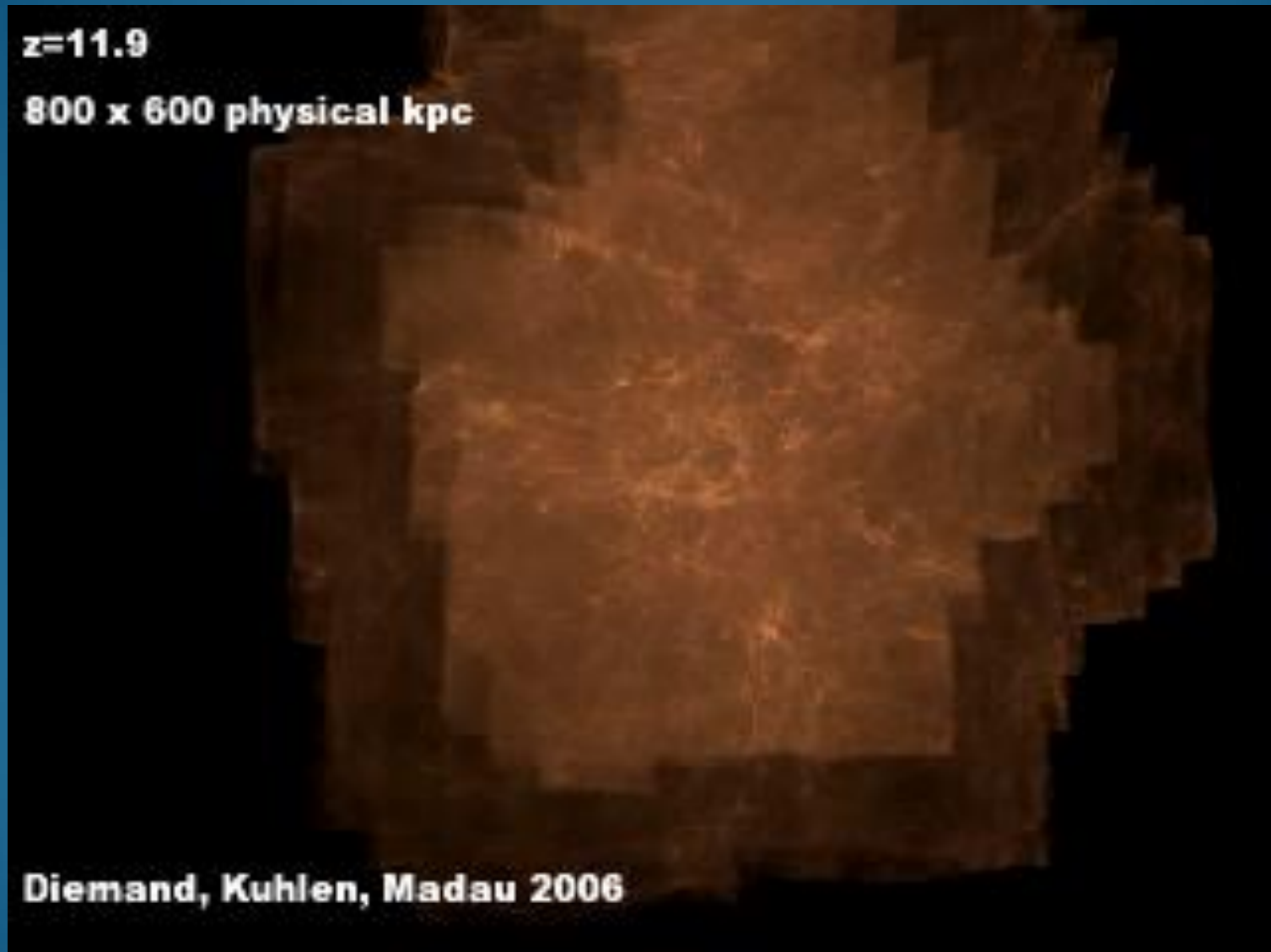
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Large scale cosmology

1. Adjusting cosmological parameters affects small scale structure as well. Thus, new dark energy and gravity models **must** be able to reproduce small scale structure.

Hierarchical galaxy formation

Subhalos are the building blocks of all larger galaxies.



Simulation vs observation

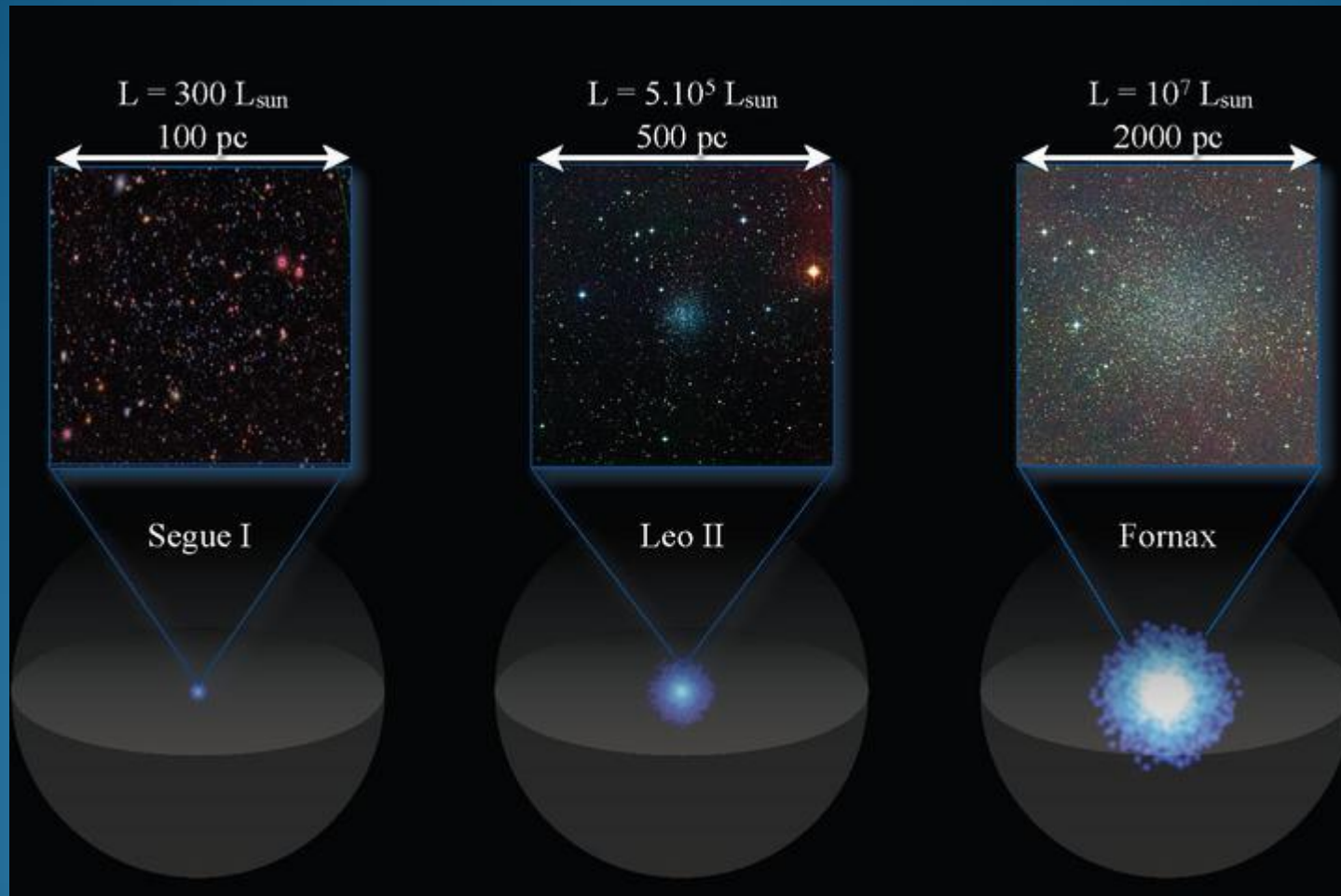
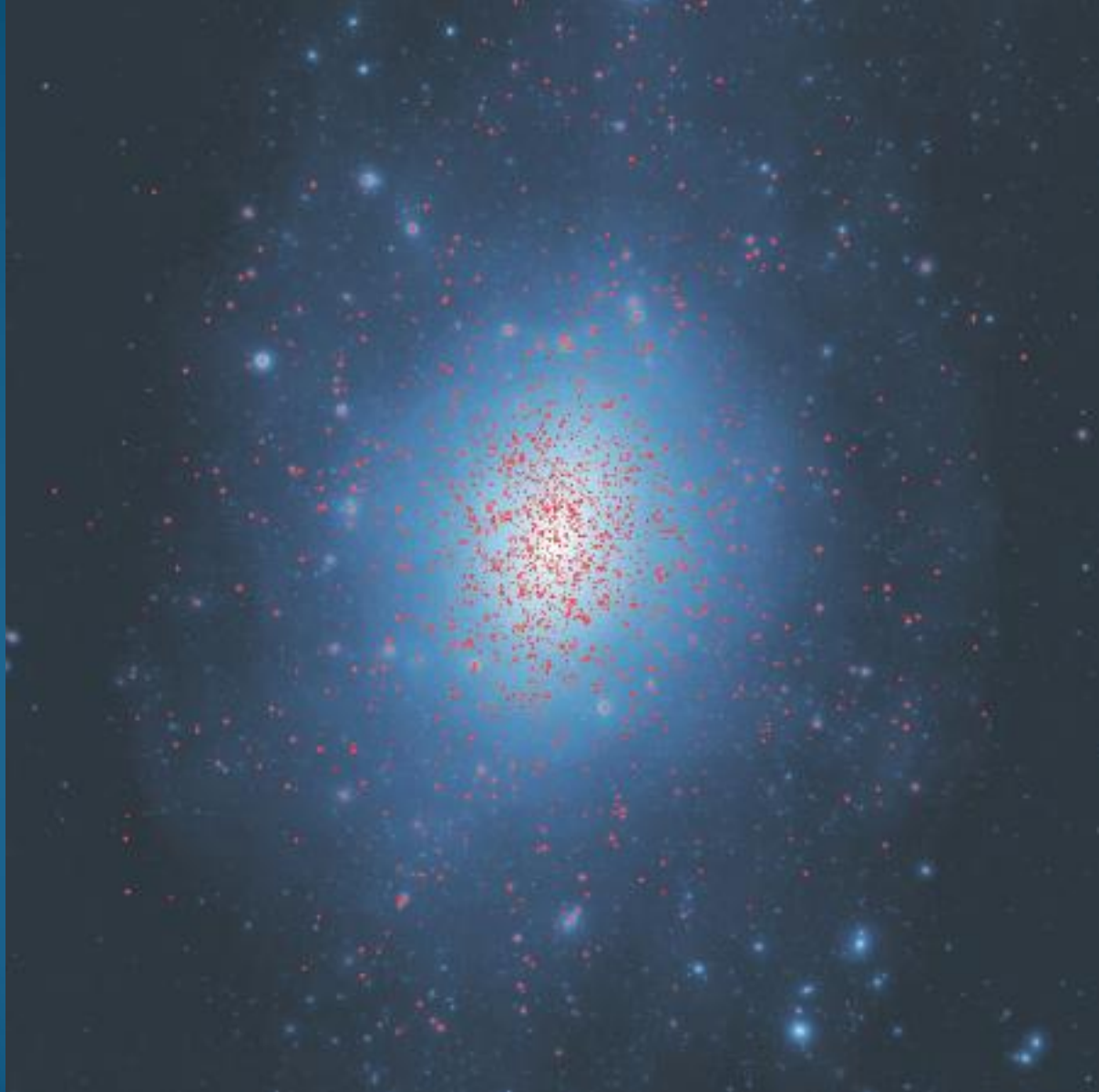


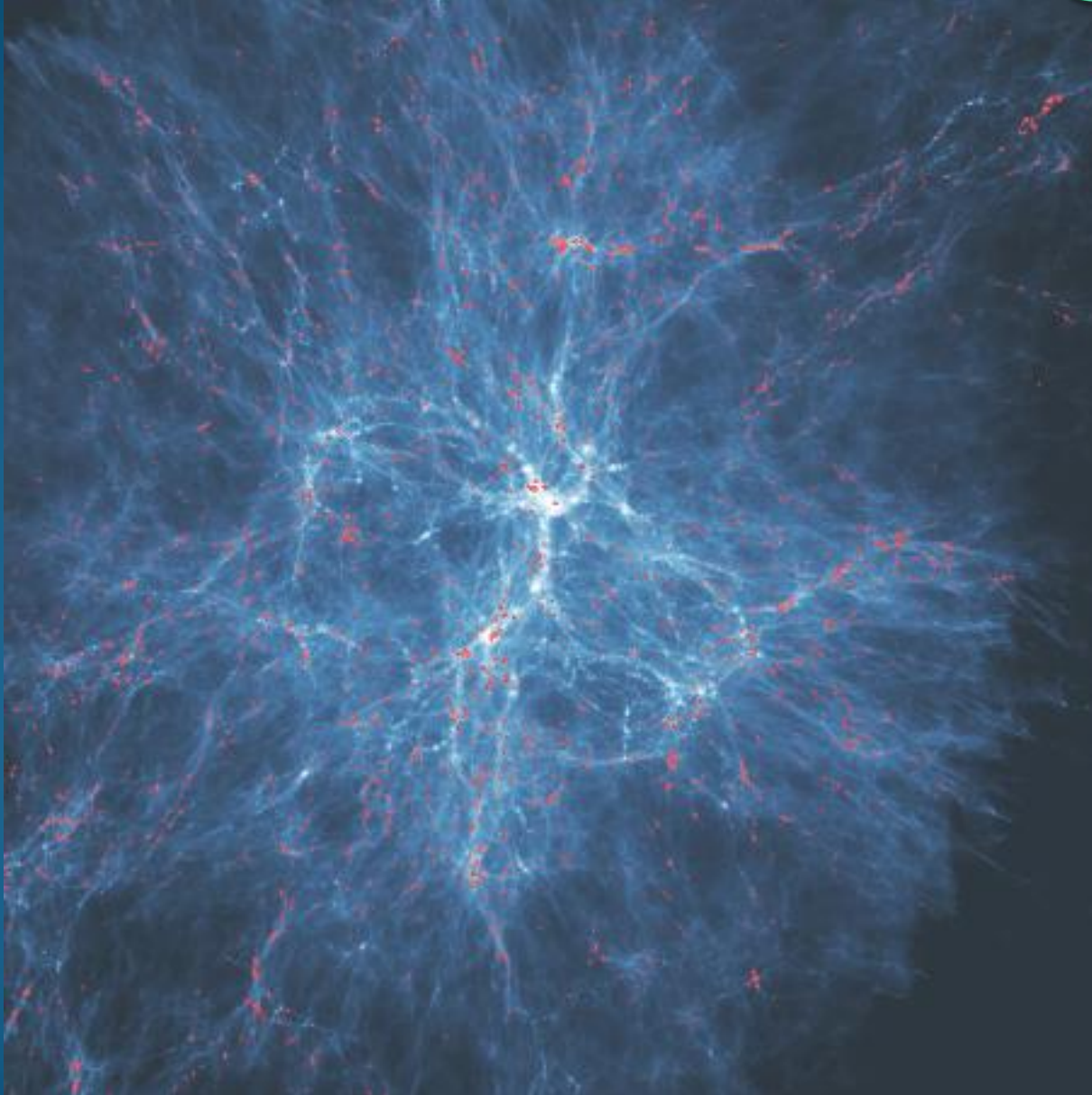
Figure: James Bullock

Galactic Archaeology: VL2



Madau et al. 2008

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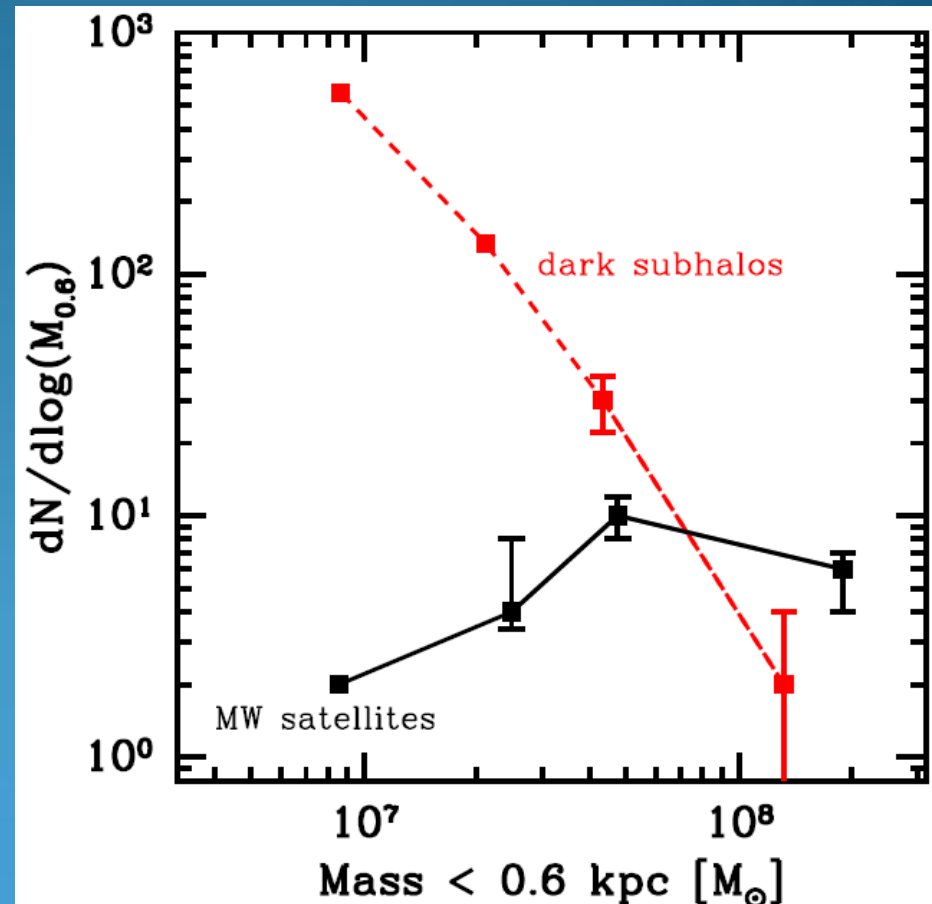
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Knowing accurate masses useful for testing galaxy formation theories, which includes demonstrating the connectedness of all galactic scales!

Mass modeling of hot systems

Many gas-poor dwarf galaxies, ellipticals, and clusters have a significant, usually dominant hot component. They are pressure-supported, not rotation supported.

Consider a spherical, pressure-supported system whose stars are collisionless and are in equilibrium. Let us consider the Jeans Equation:

$$r \frac{d(\rho_{\star} \sigma_r^2)}{dr} = \frac{-GM(r)}{r} \rho_{\star}(r) - 2\beta(r) \rho_{\star} \sigma_r^2$$

We want mass

*Unknown:
Anisotropy*

$$\beta \equiv 1 - \frac{\sigma_t^2}{\sigma_r^2}$$

Free function

*Assume known:
3D deprojected
stellar density*

*Radial
dispersion
(depends
on beta)*

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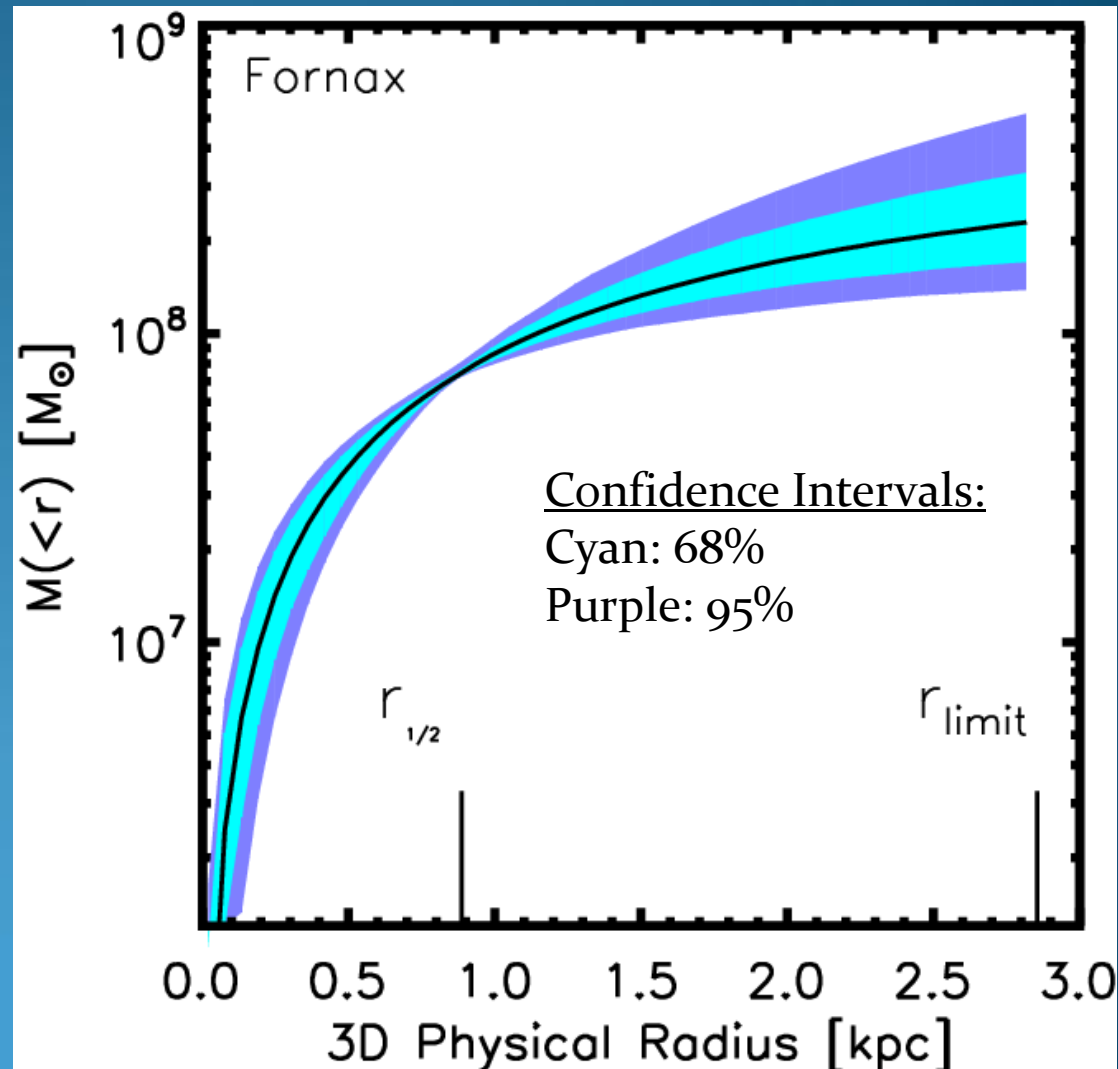
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Summary:

MCMC algorithm is able to produce mass likelihoods from line-of-sight kinematics and photometry.

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arXiv: 0908.2995



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$$\frac{M_{1/2}}{M_{\odot}} \simeq 930 \frac{R_{\text{eff}}}{\text{pc}} \frac{\langle \sigma_{\text{los}}^2 \rangle}{\text{km}^2 \text{ s}^{-2}}$$

$$r_{1/2} \approx \frac{4}{3} * R_{\text{eff}}$$

Wait a second...

Isn't this just the scalar virial theorem (SVT)?

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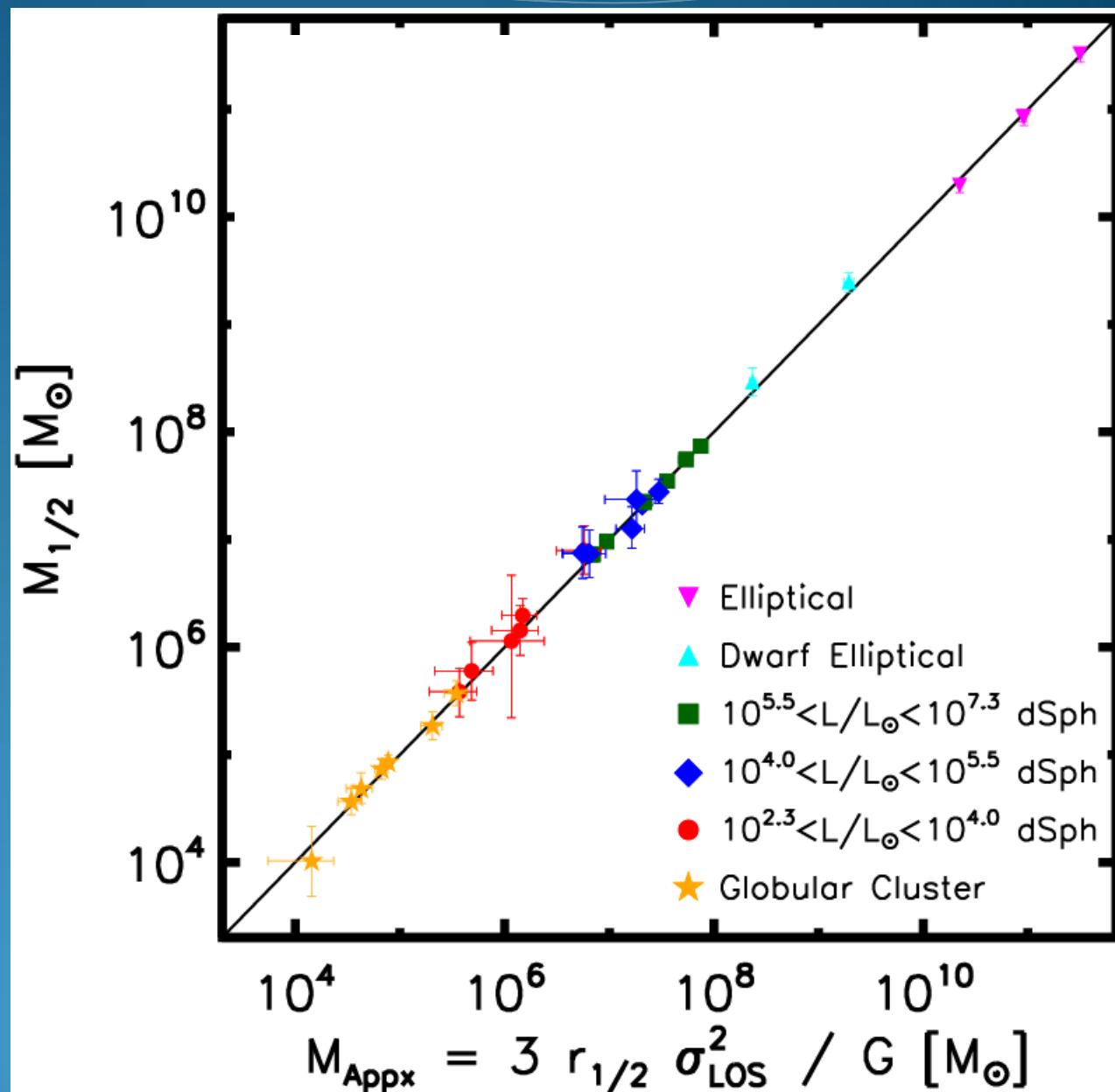
Nope! The SVT only gives you limits on the total mass of a system.

This formula yields the mass within $r_{1/2}$, the 3D deprojected half-light radius, and is accurate independent of our ignorance of the stellar anisotropy.

Really?

Boom!

Equation tested on systems spanning almost **eight** decades in luminosity after lifting simplifications.

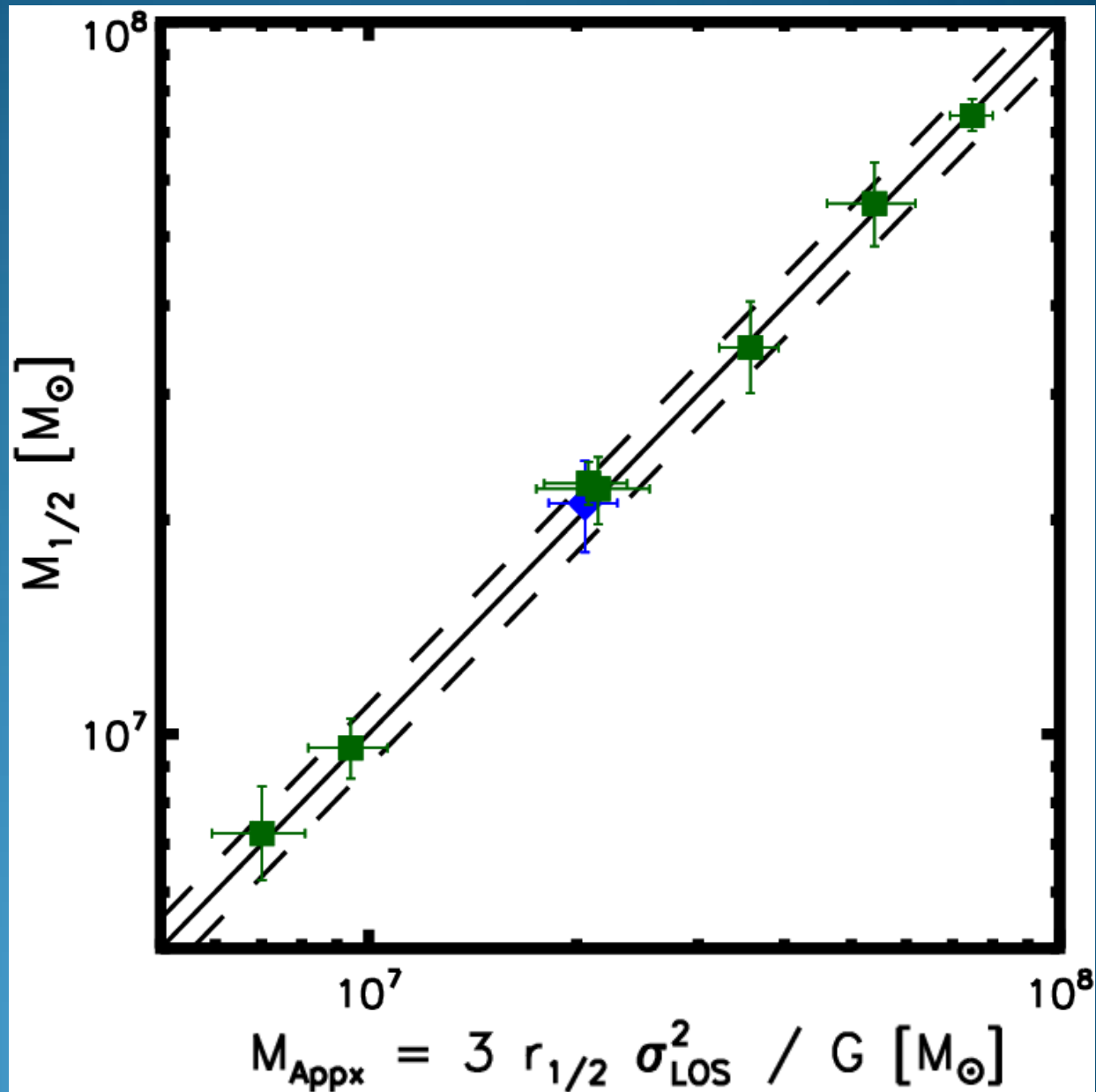


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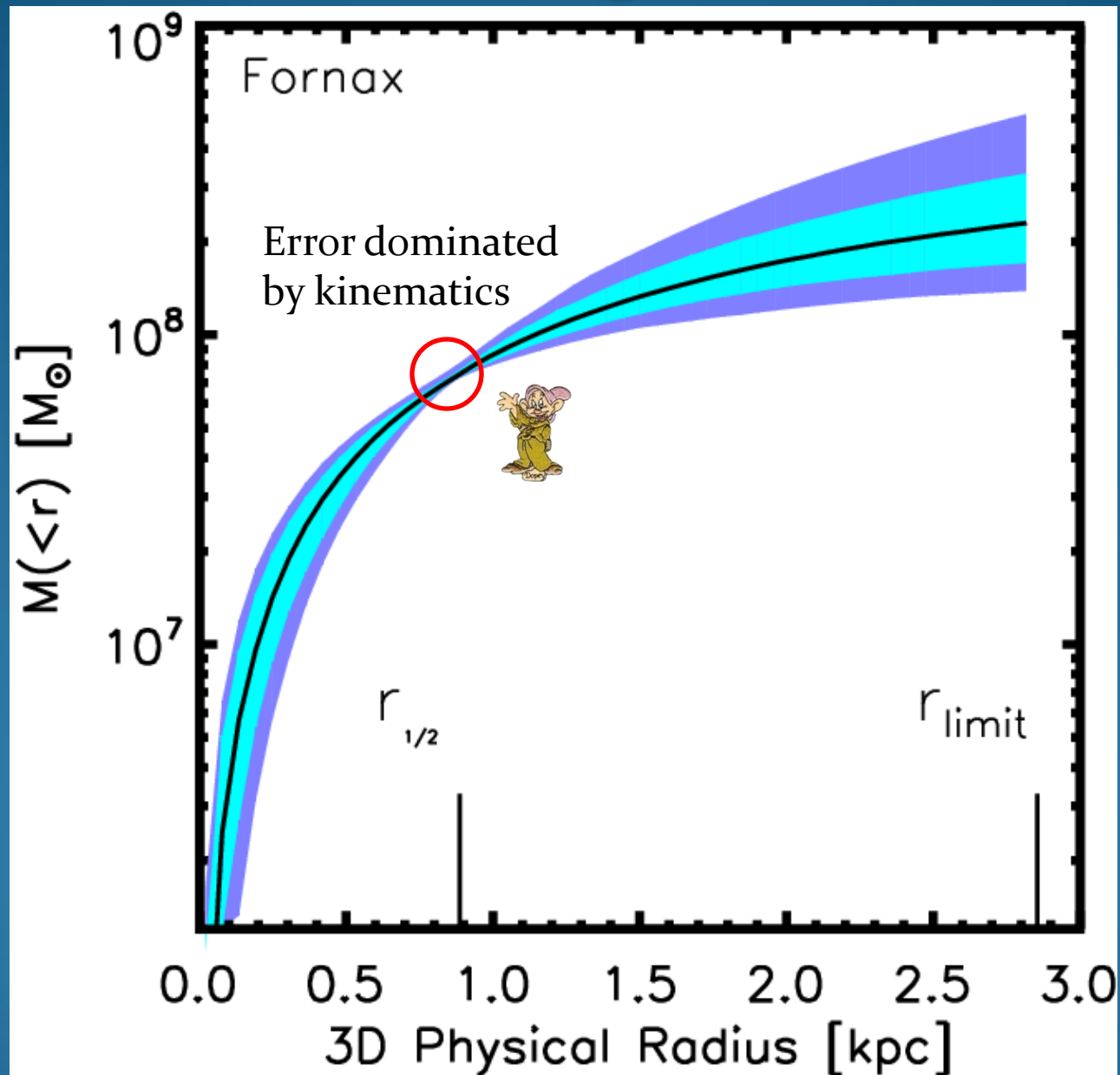
“Classical” MW dwarf spheroidals



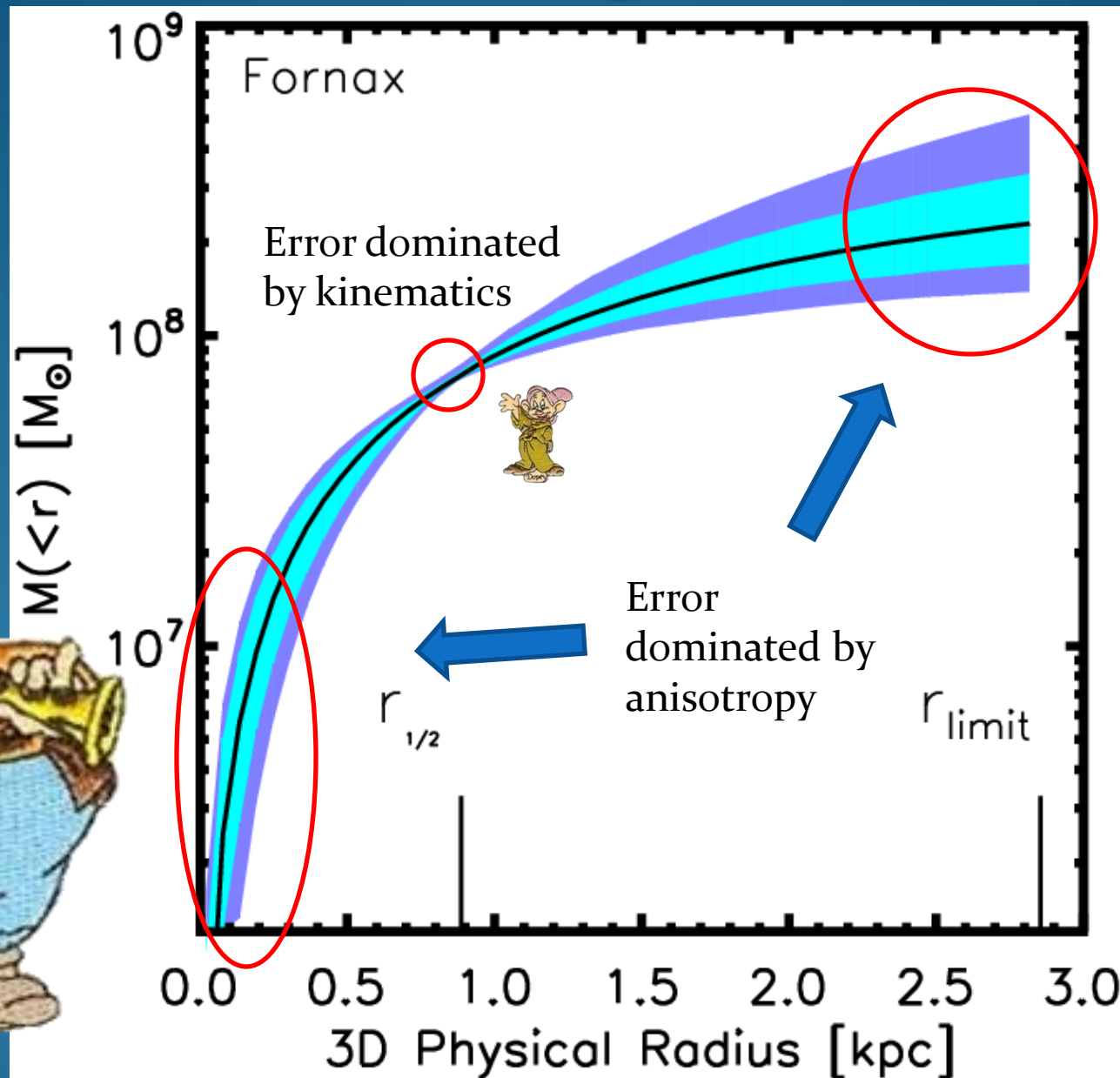
Dotted lines:
10% variation in
factor of 3 in M_{Appx}



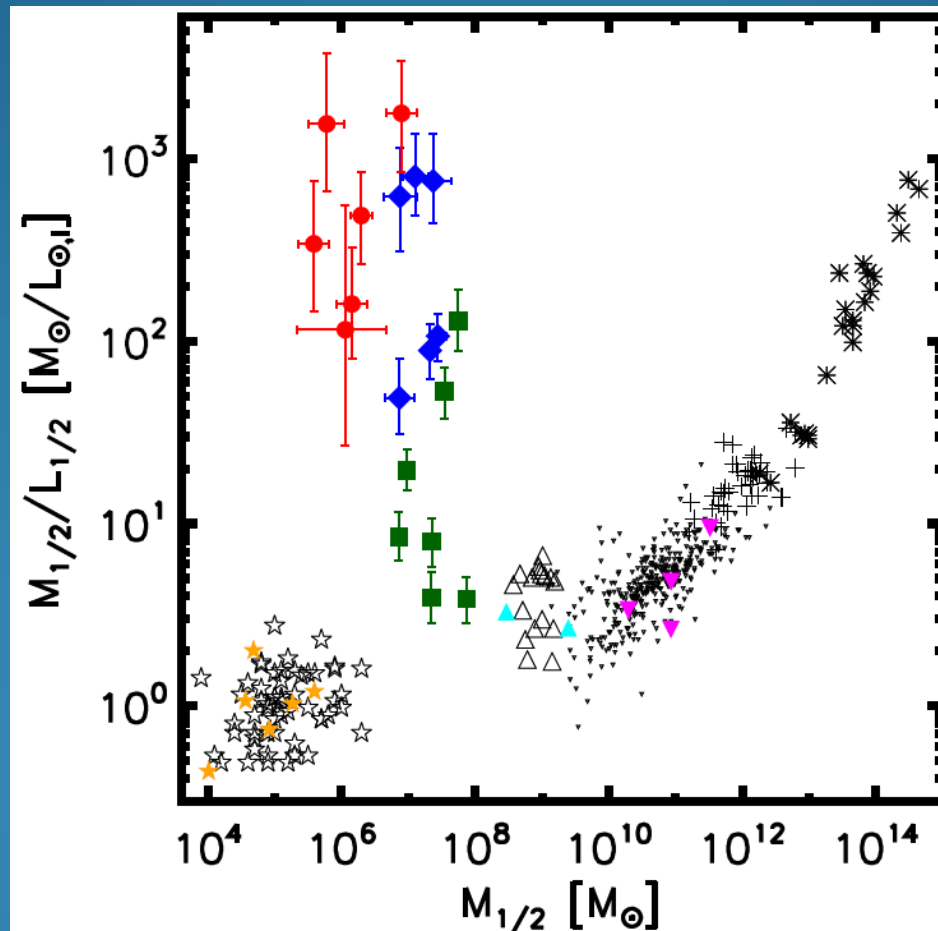
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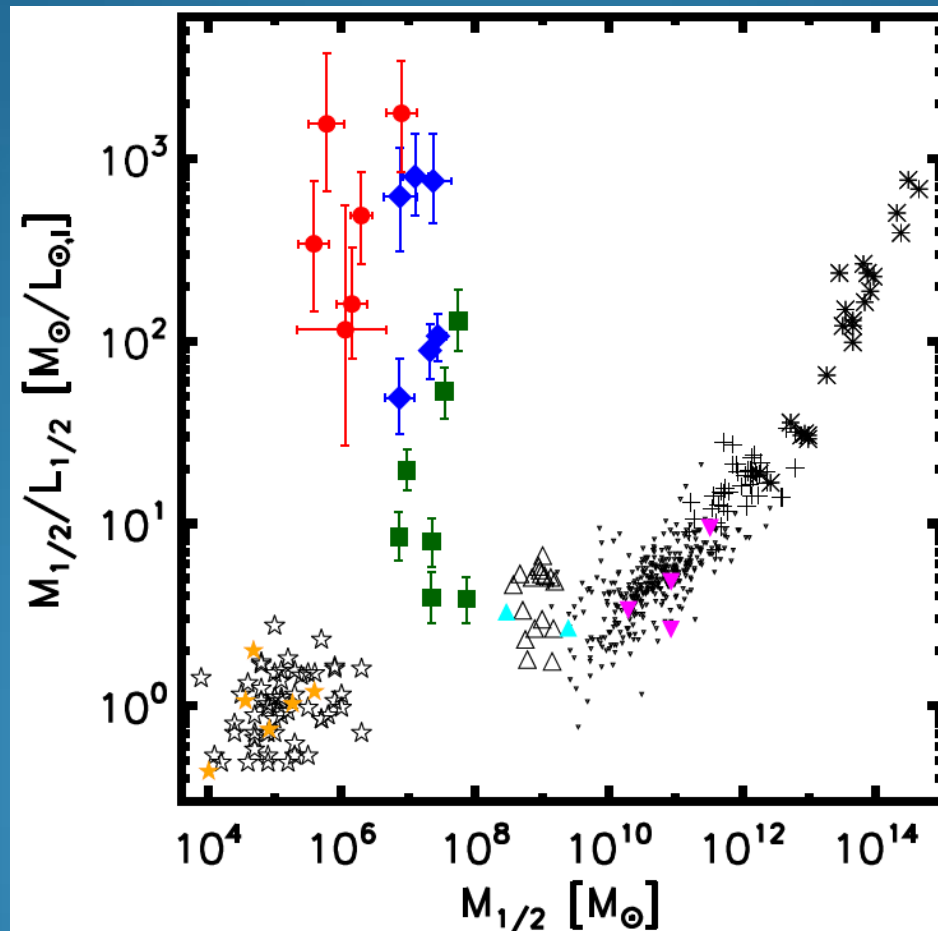


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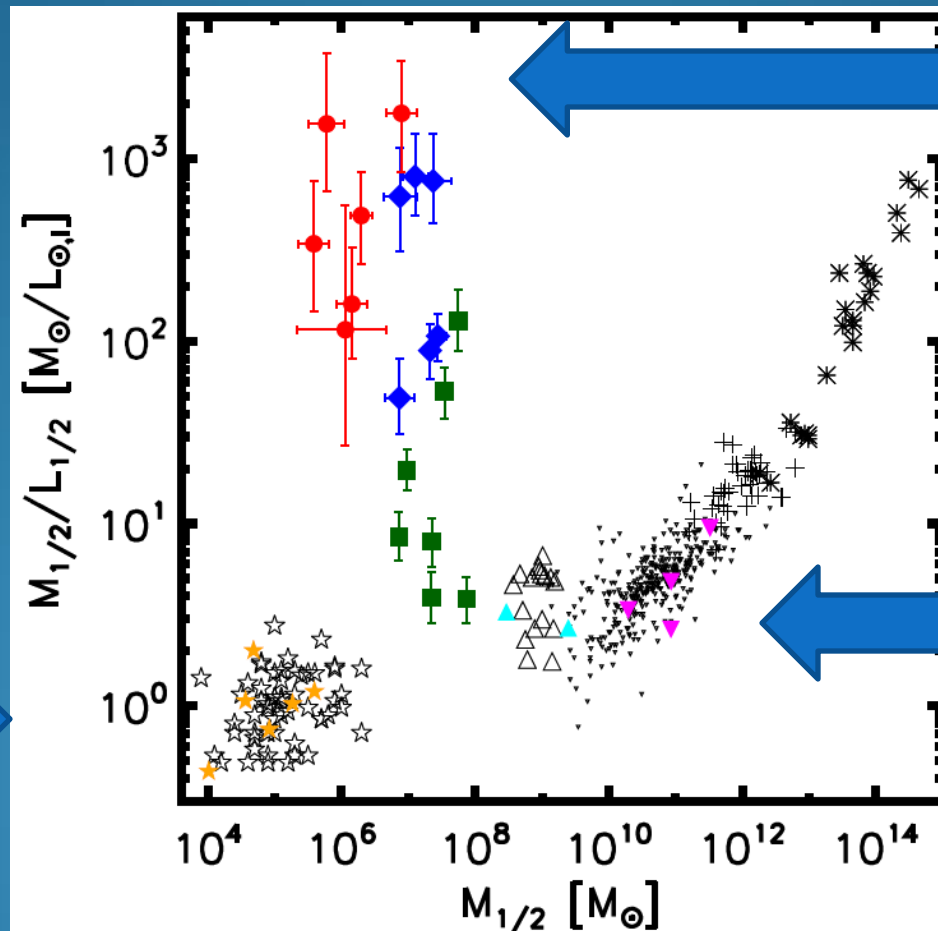
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Ultrafaint dSphs:
most DM
dominated
systems known!

Globulars:
Offset from L^*
by factor of
three

(Hmm...)

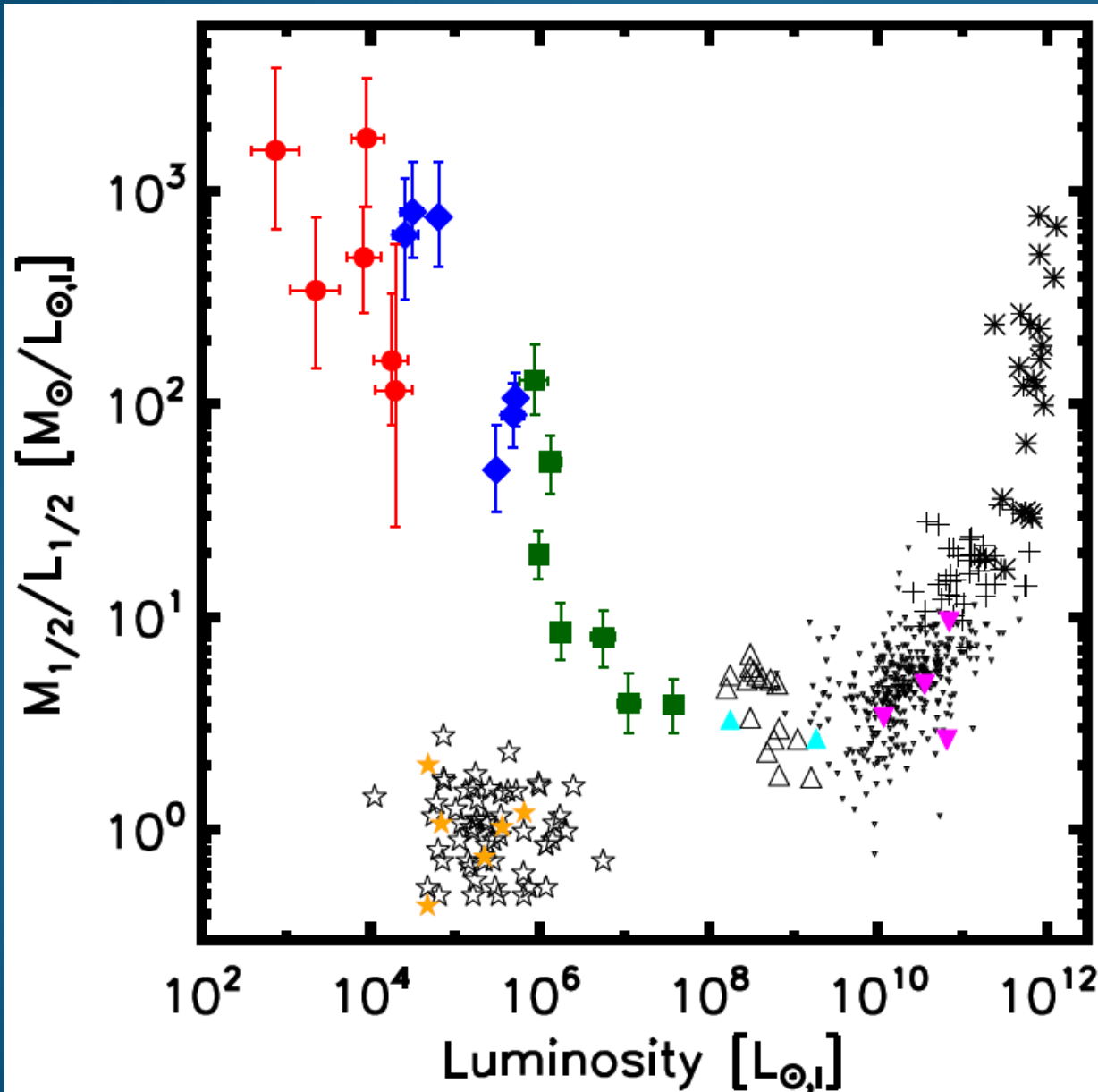


Inefficient at
galaxy formation

L^* : Efficient at
galaxy
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Last plot:
Mass floor

This plot:
Luminosity ceiling

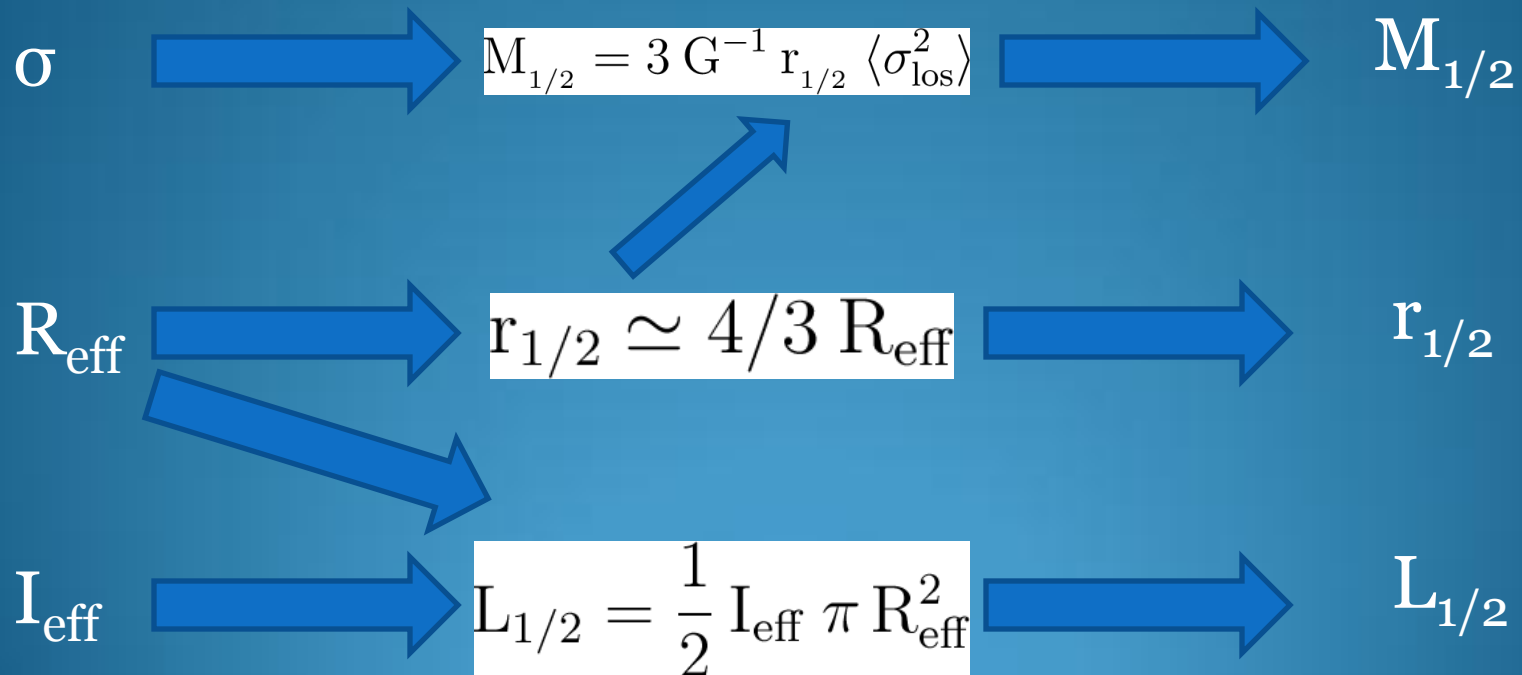
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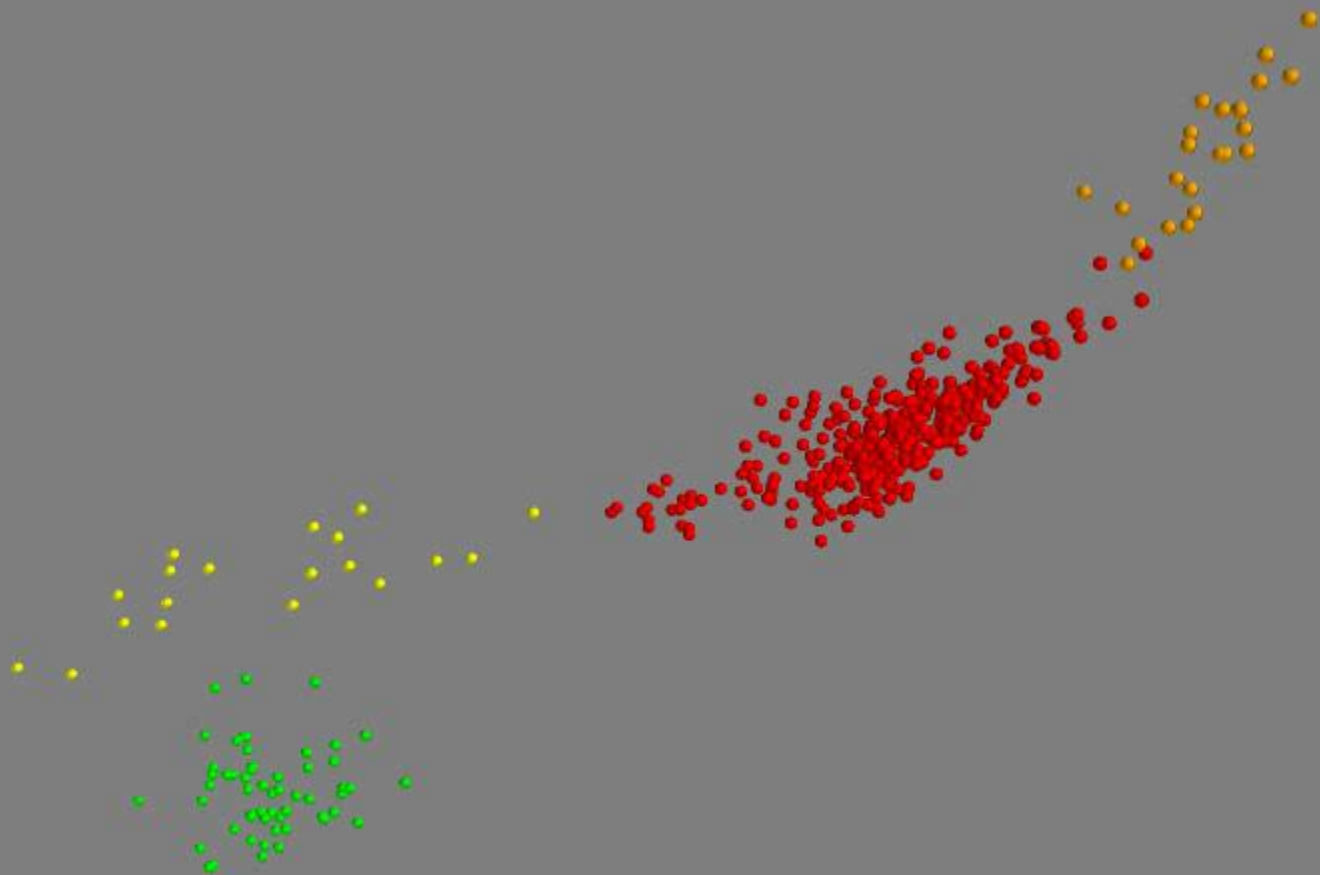
The small and large are more connected than one may previously have thought.

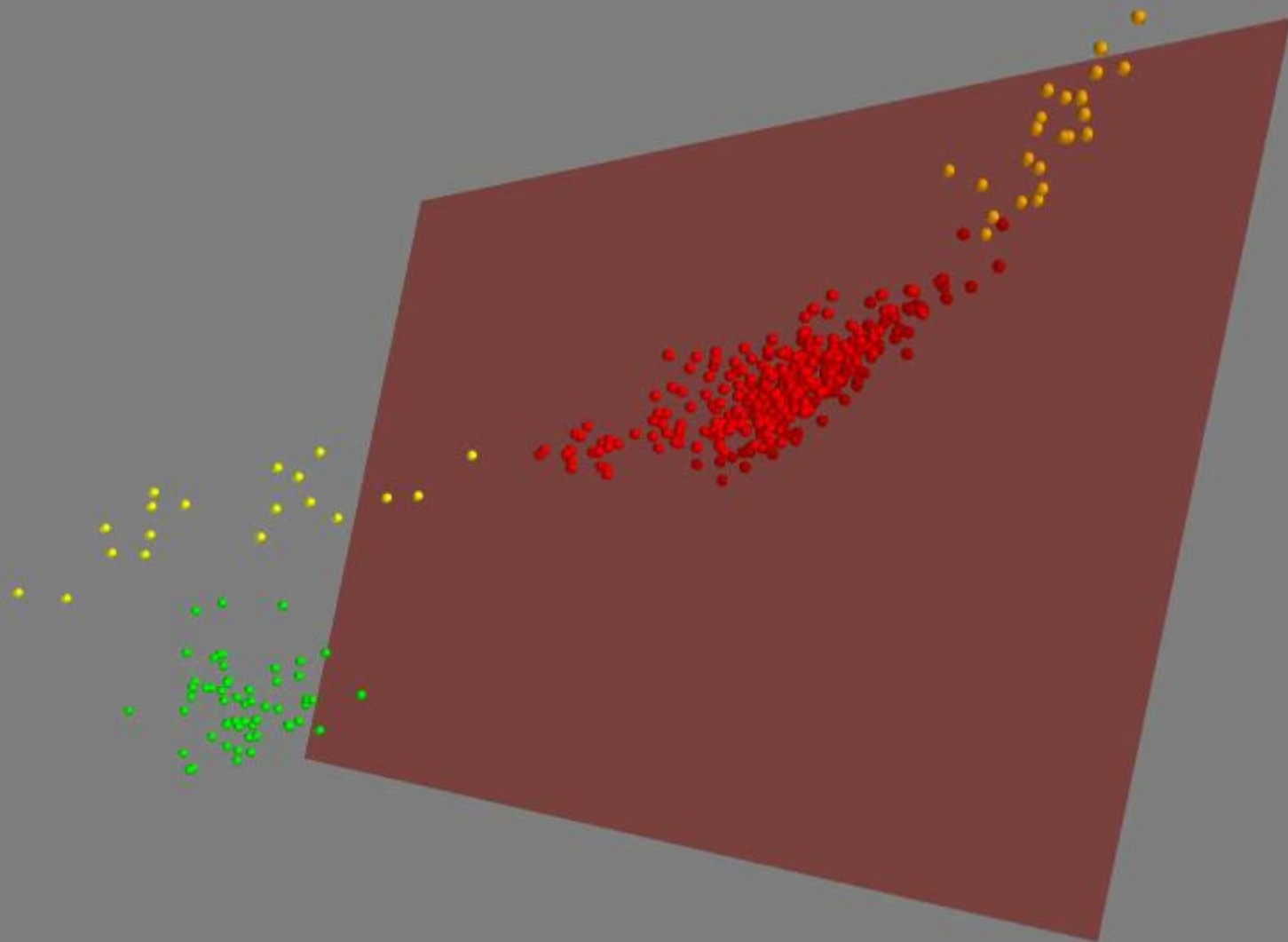
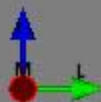
Looking at the FP in a new way

Fundamental Plane:
Independent
Observables

MLR:
Intrinsic Properties







Fundamental Tube

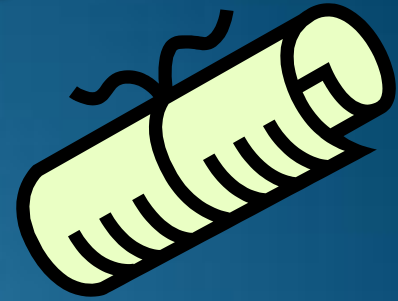
Despite different feedback mechanisms, all systems sitting deeply embedded in DM halos lie on this one tube, which spans 10 orders of magnitude in luminosity!

Globular clusters, which do not sit within DM halos, are offset from this tube.

Take-Home Messages



$$M_{1/2} = 3 G^{-1} r_{1/2} \langle \sigma_{\text{los}}^2 \rangle$$



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- Knowing $M_{1/2}$ accurately without knowledge of anisotropy gives new constraints for galaxy formation theories to match.

- Future simulations must be able to reproduce the observed trends between $M_{1/2}$ and L for all pressure-supported systems, from dwarf spheroidals ($L \sim 10^2$) to galaxy clusters ($L \sim 10^{12}$).

- Understanding the small scale is important for understanding the large scale...and vice versa!

