Modeling mass independent of anisotropy

A tool to test galaxy formation

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Mass modeling of hot systems

Many gas-poor dwarf galaxies 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:

Unknown: Anisotropy

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

We want mass

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

Free function

Assume known: 3D deprojected stellar density

Radial dispersion (depends on beta)

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Using a Gaussian PDF for the observed stellar velocities, we marginalize over all free parameters (including photometric uncertainties) using a Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC).

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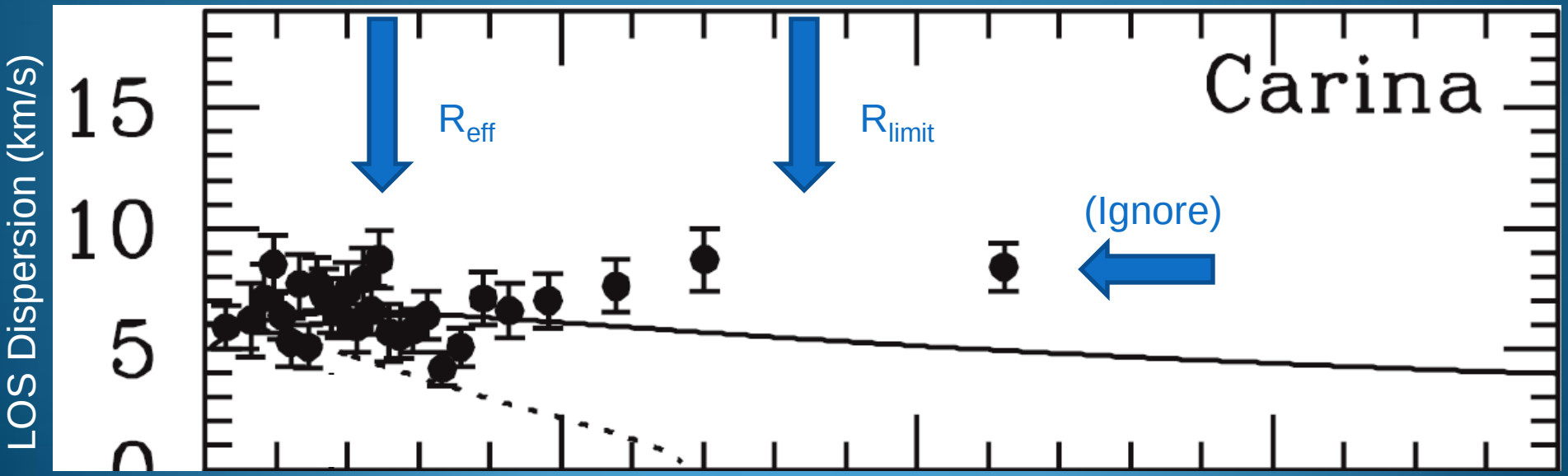


Projected (On Sky) Radius

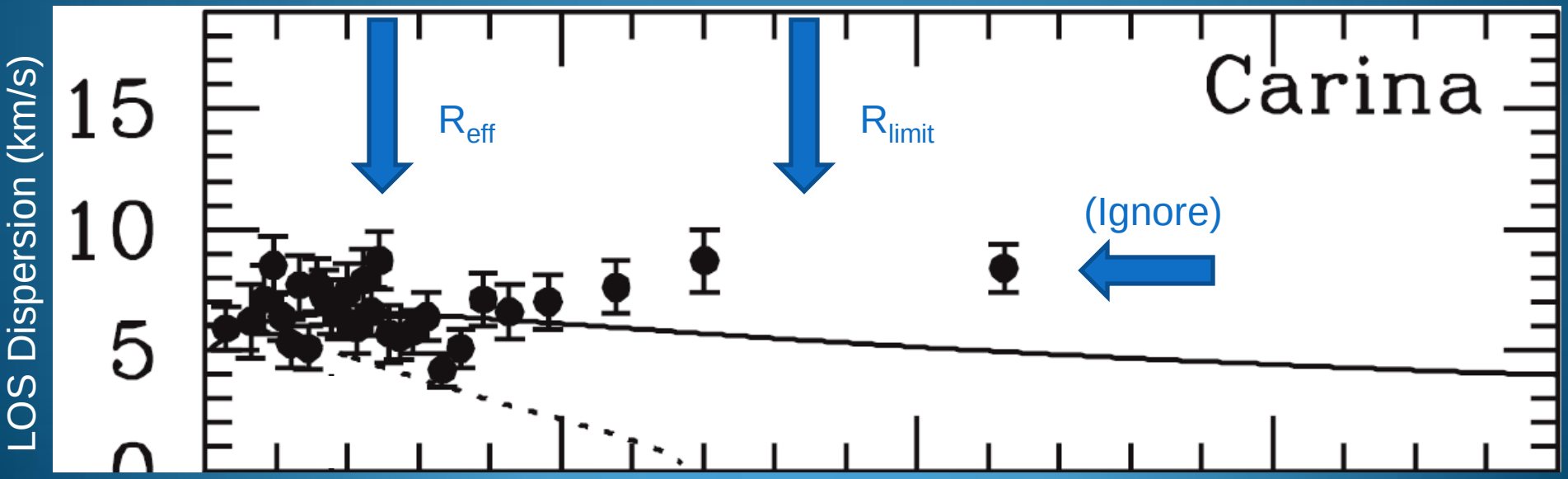
Walker et al. 2007, ApJ

Thought Experiment

Given the following kinematics, will you derive a better constraint on mass enclosed within:

a) $0.5 * r_{1/2}$ b) $r_{1/2}$ c) $1.5 * r_{1/2}$

Where $r_{1/2}$ is the derived 3D deprojected half-light radius of the system. (The sphere within the sphere containing half the light).



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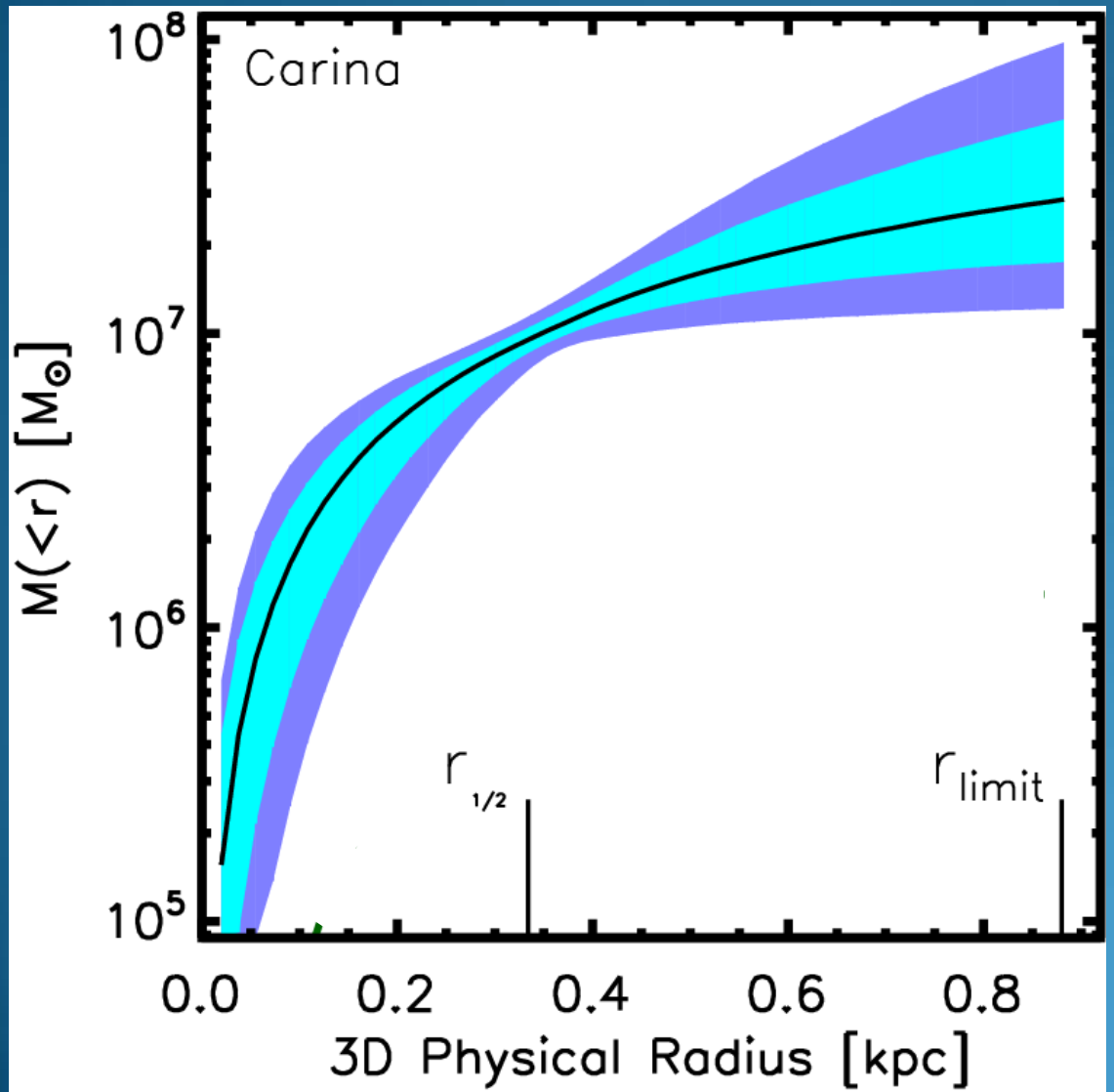
Hmm…

A CAT scan of 50 mass likelihoods at different radii…



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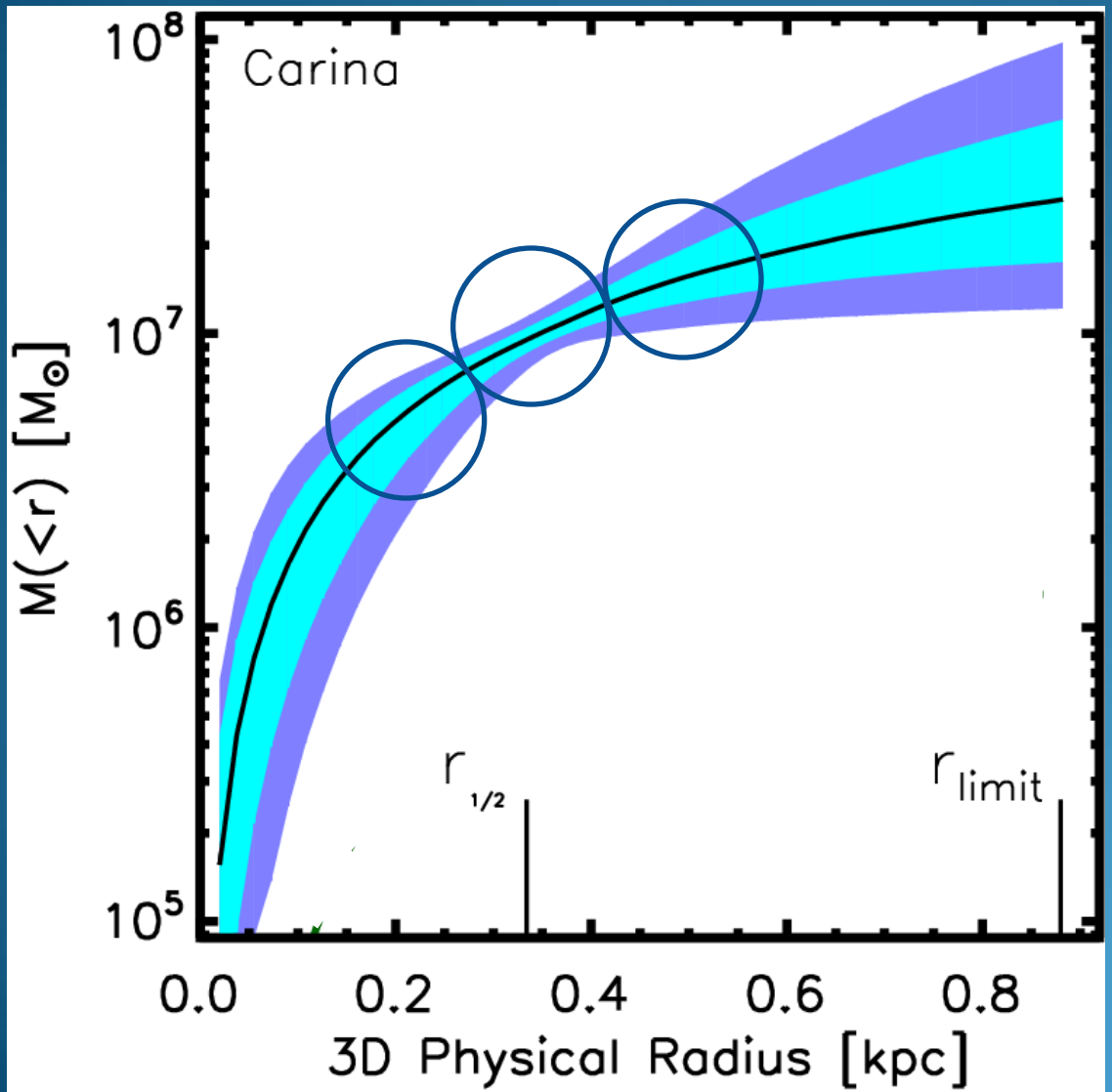
It turns out that the mass is best constrained within $r_{1/2}$, and despite the given data, is less constrained for $r < r_{1/2}$ than $r > r_{1/2}$.



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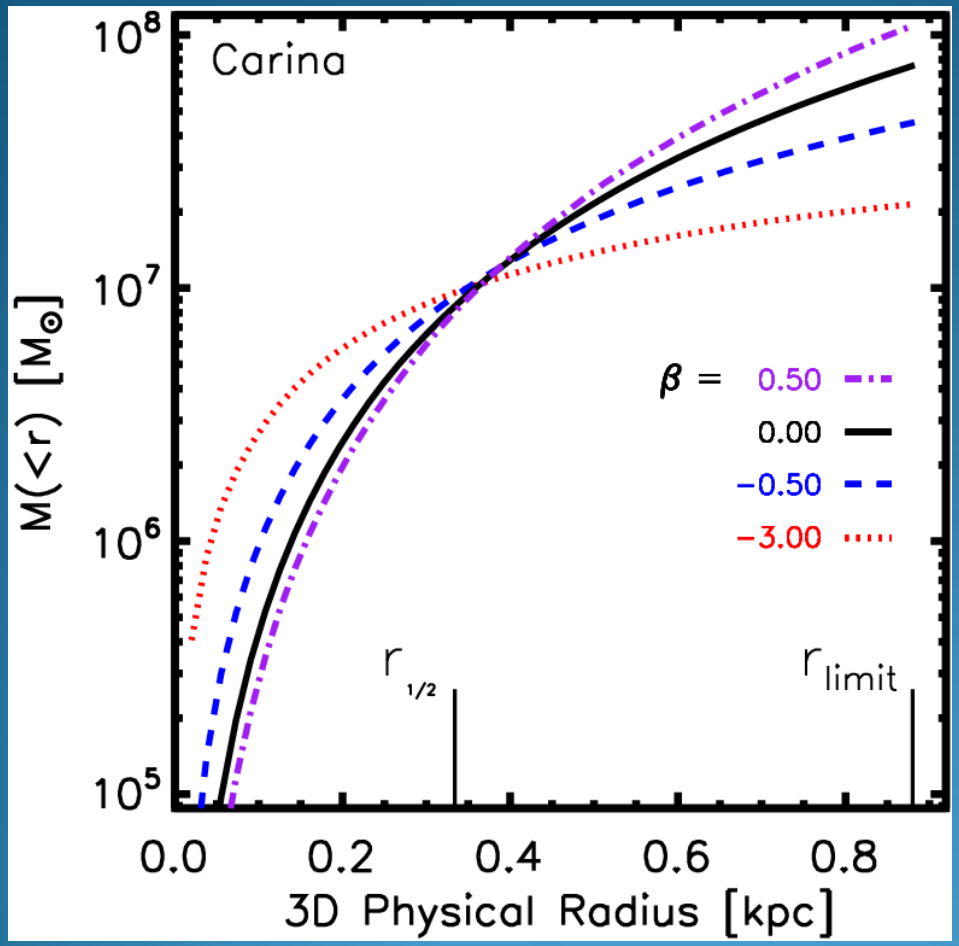

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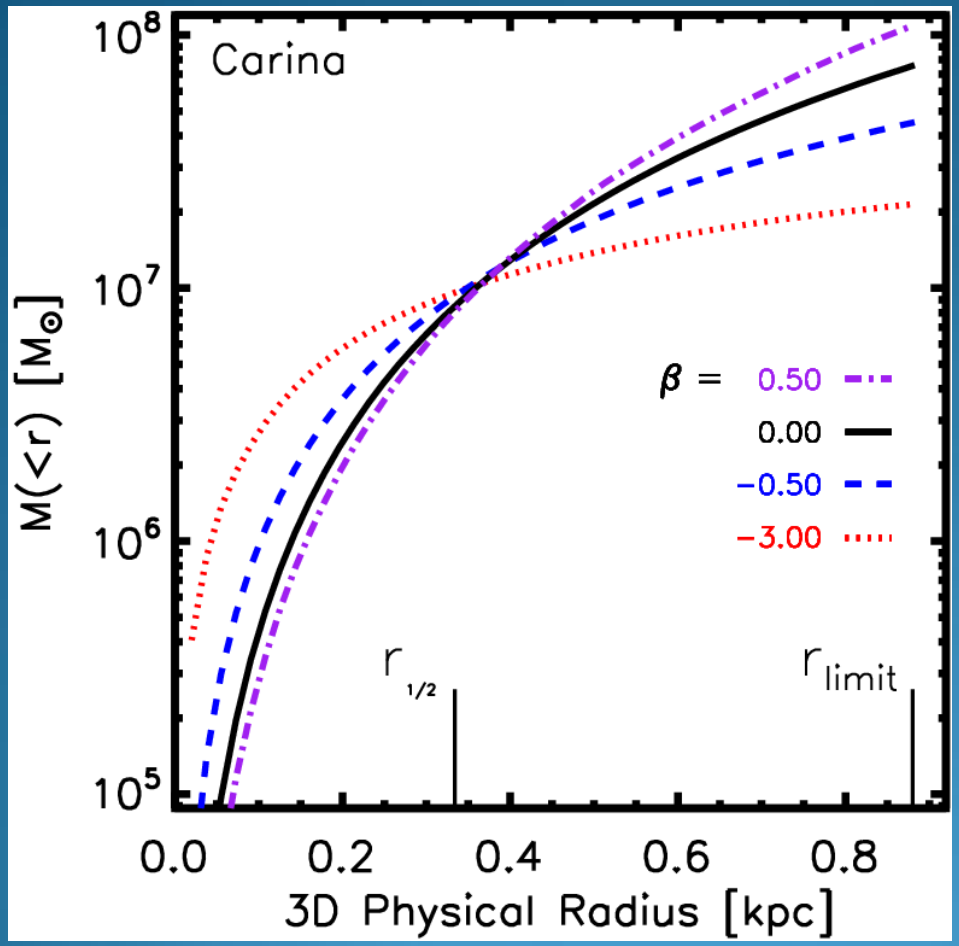

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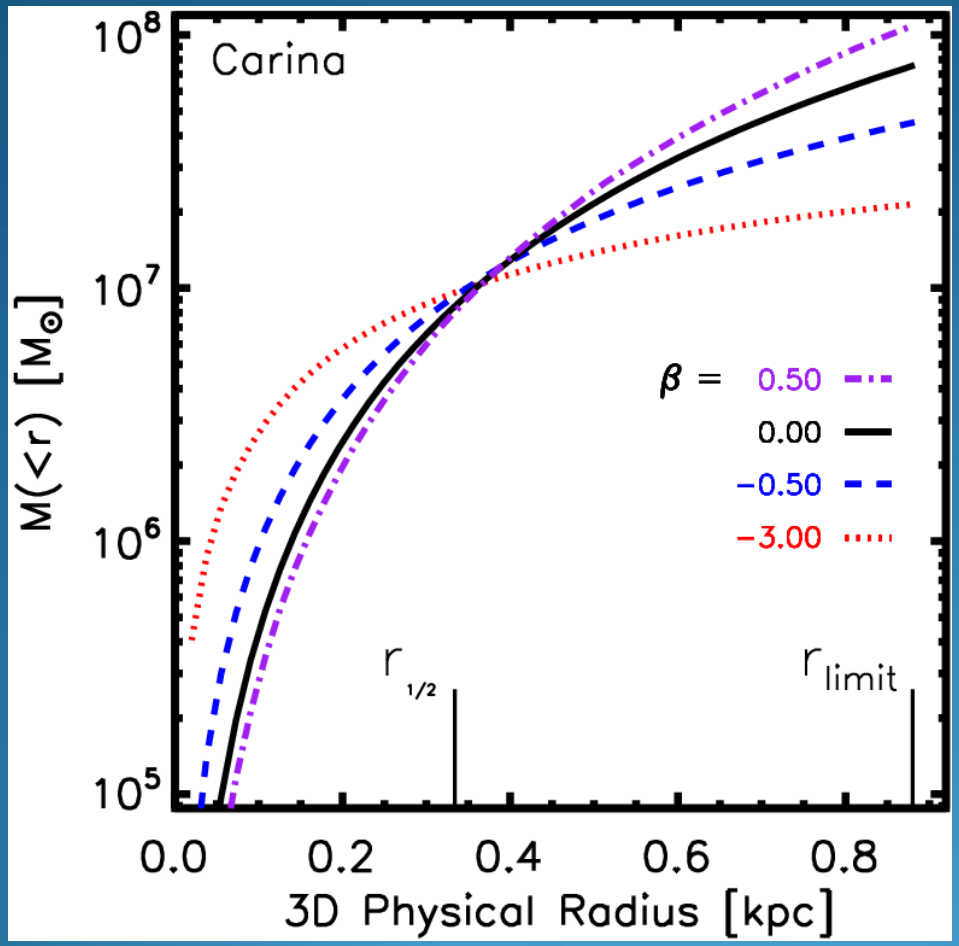

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Newly derived analytic equations **predict** that the effect of anisotropy is minimal near $r_{1/2}$ for observed stellar densities:

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$$M(<r;0) - M(<r;\beta) = \frac{\beta(r)\, r\, \sigma_r^2(r)}{G} \left(\frac{d\ln\rho_\star}{d\ln r} + \frac{d\ln\sigma_r^2}{d\ln r} + \frac{d\ln\beta}{d\ln r} + 3 \right)$$

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

Wait a second…

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

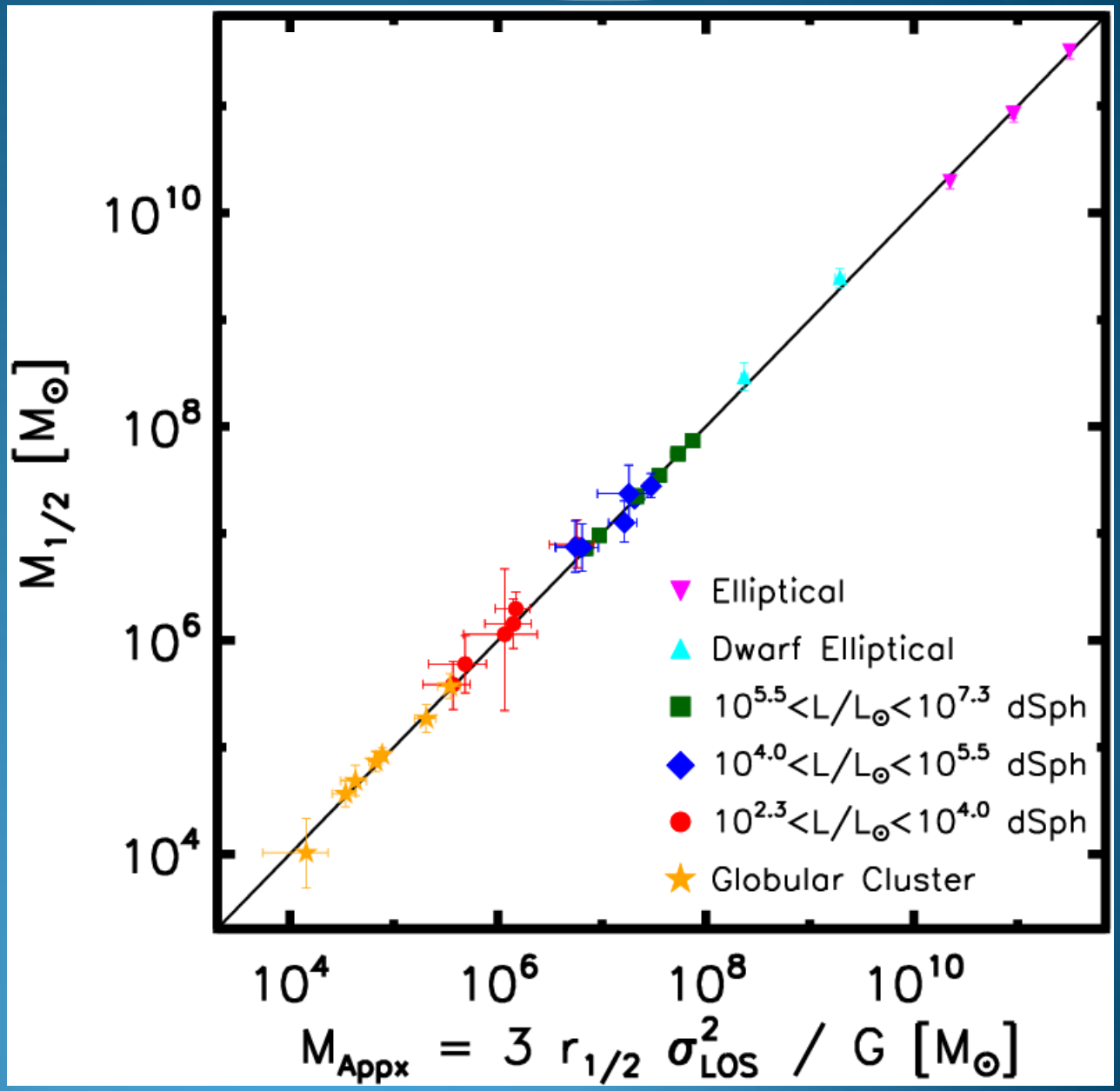
$$M_{1/2} = 3\,G^{-1}\,r_{1/2}\,\langle \sigma_{\rm los}^2 \rangle$$

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 anisotropy.

Really?

Boom!
Equation tested on systems spanning almost **eight** decades in half-light mass after lifting simplifications.



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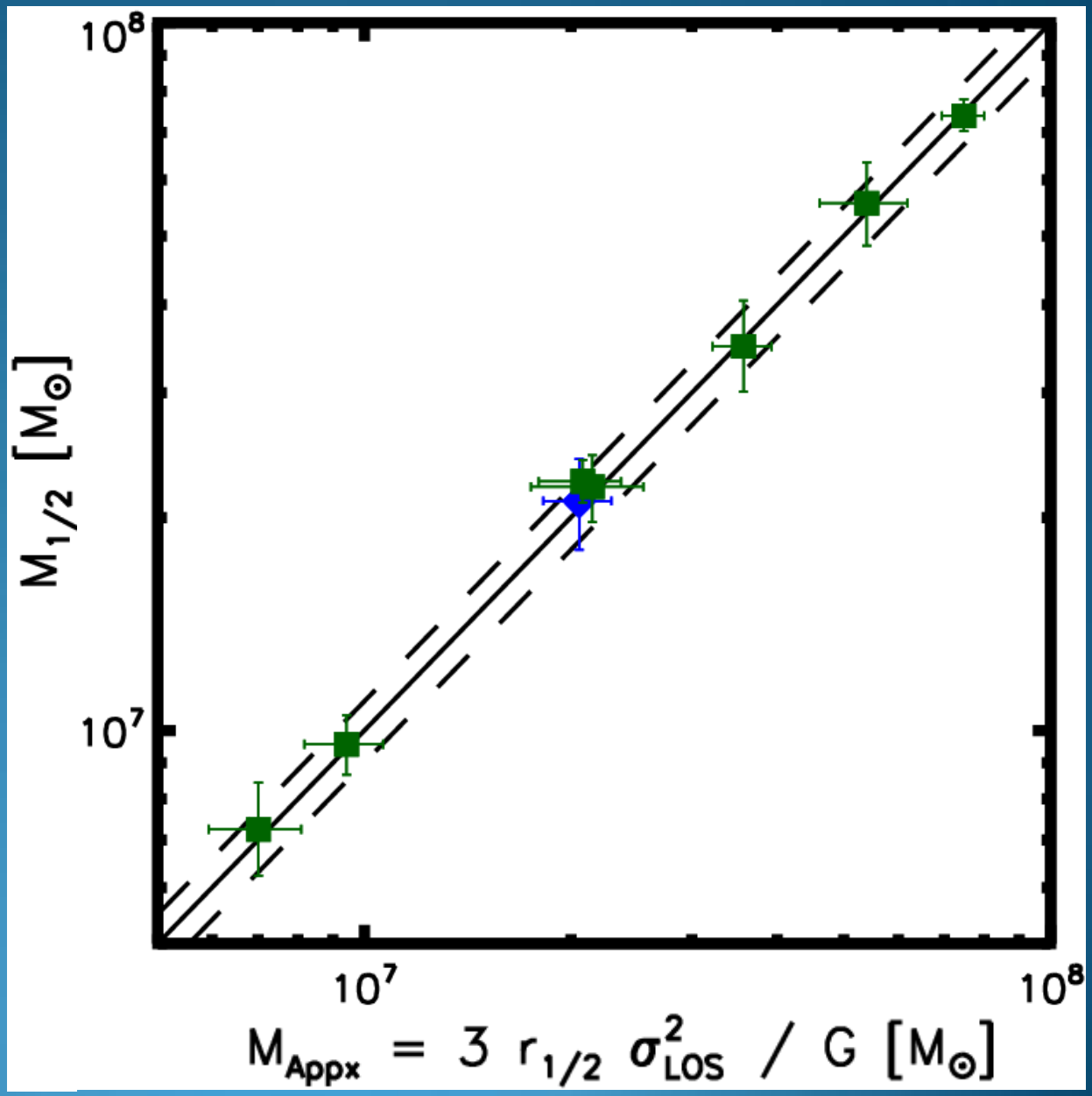
"Classical" MW dwarf spheroidals



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

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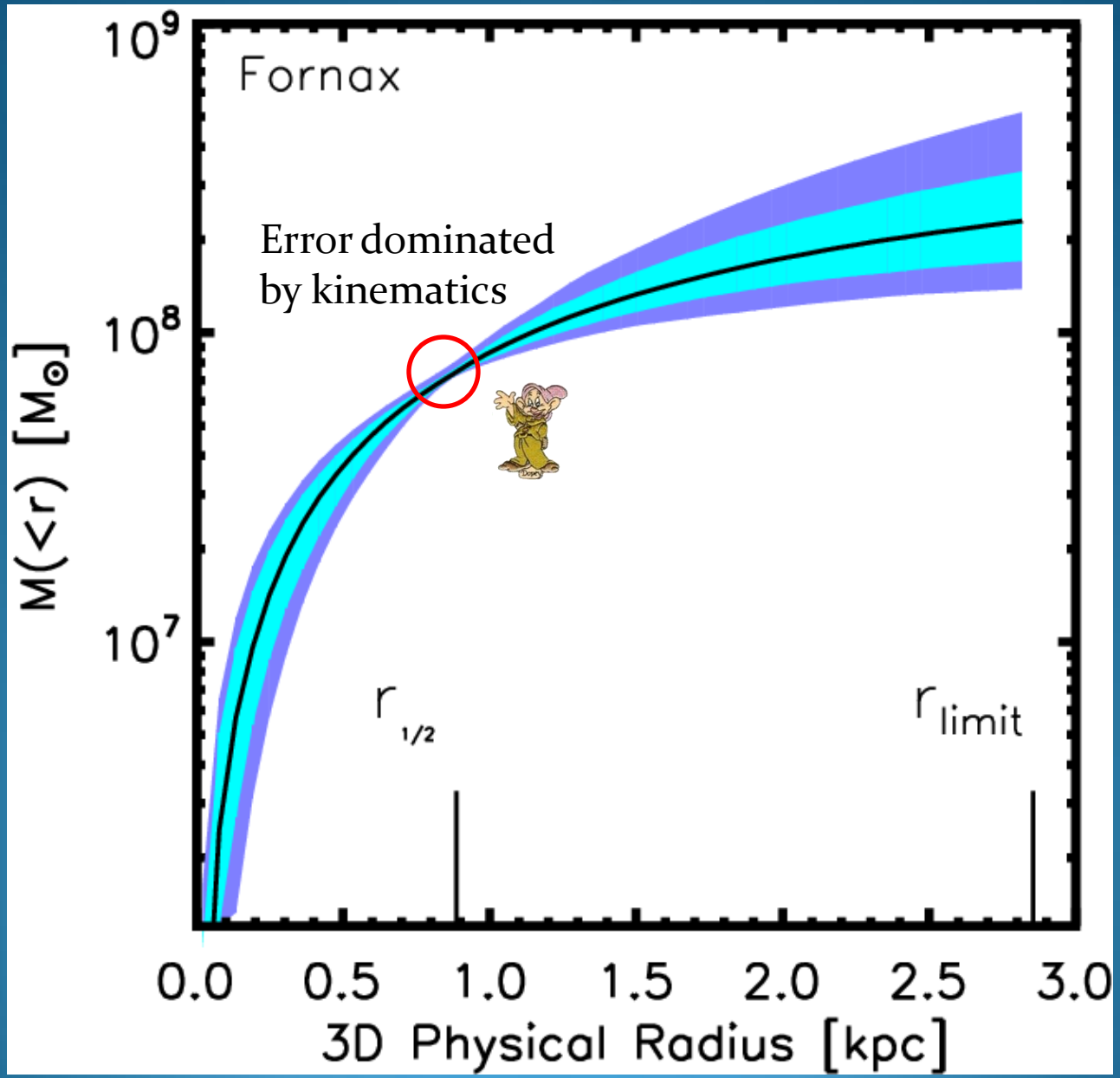

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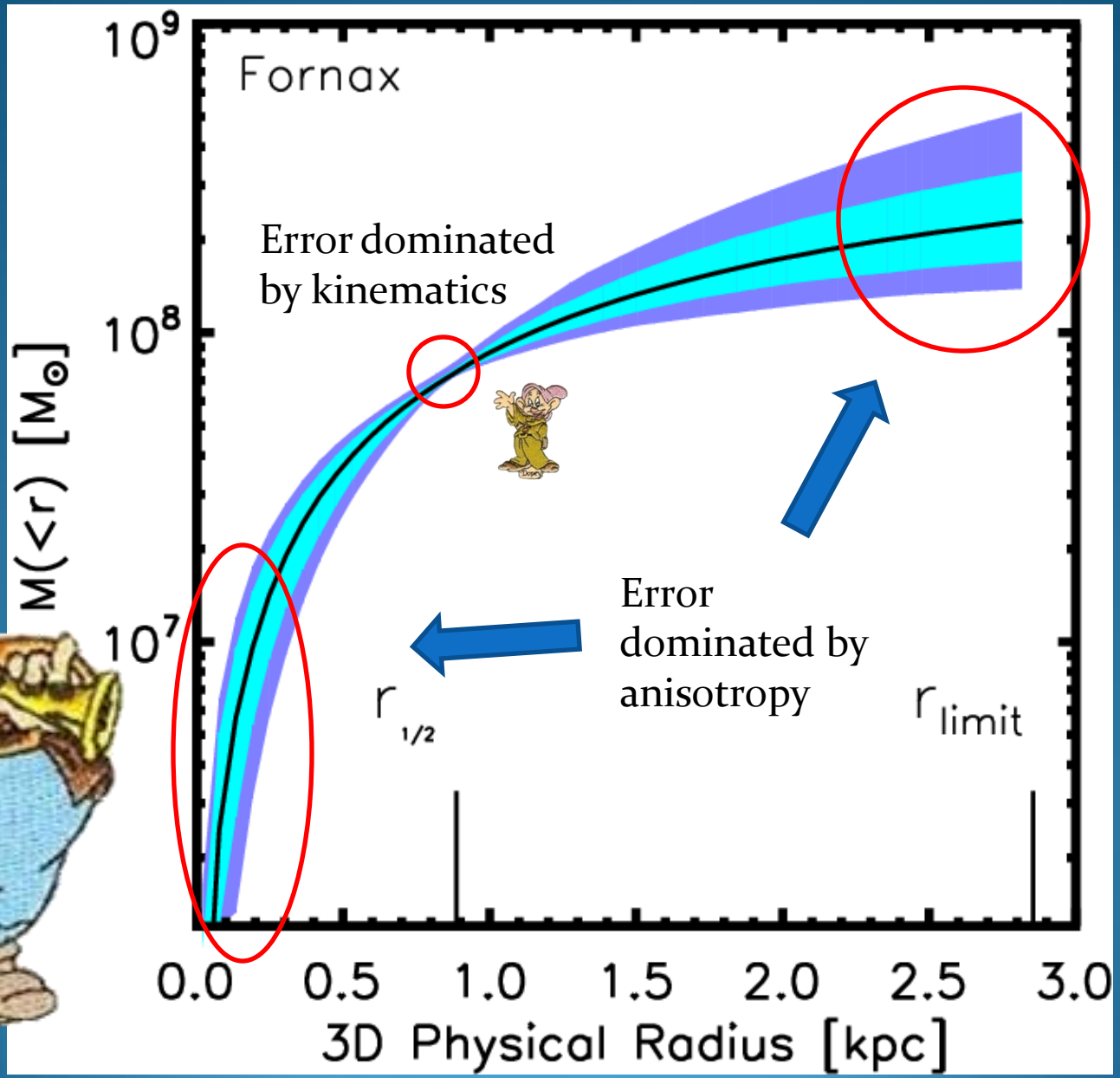

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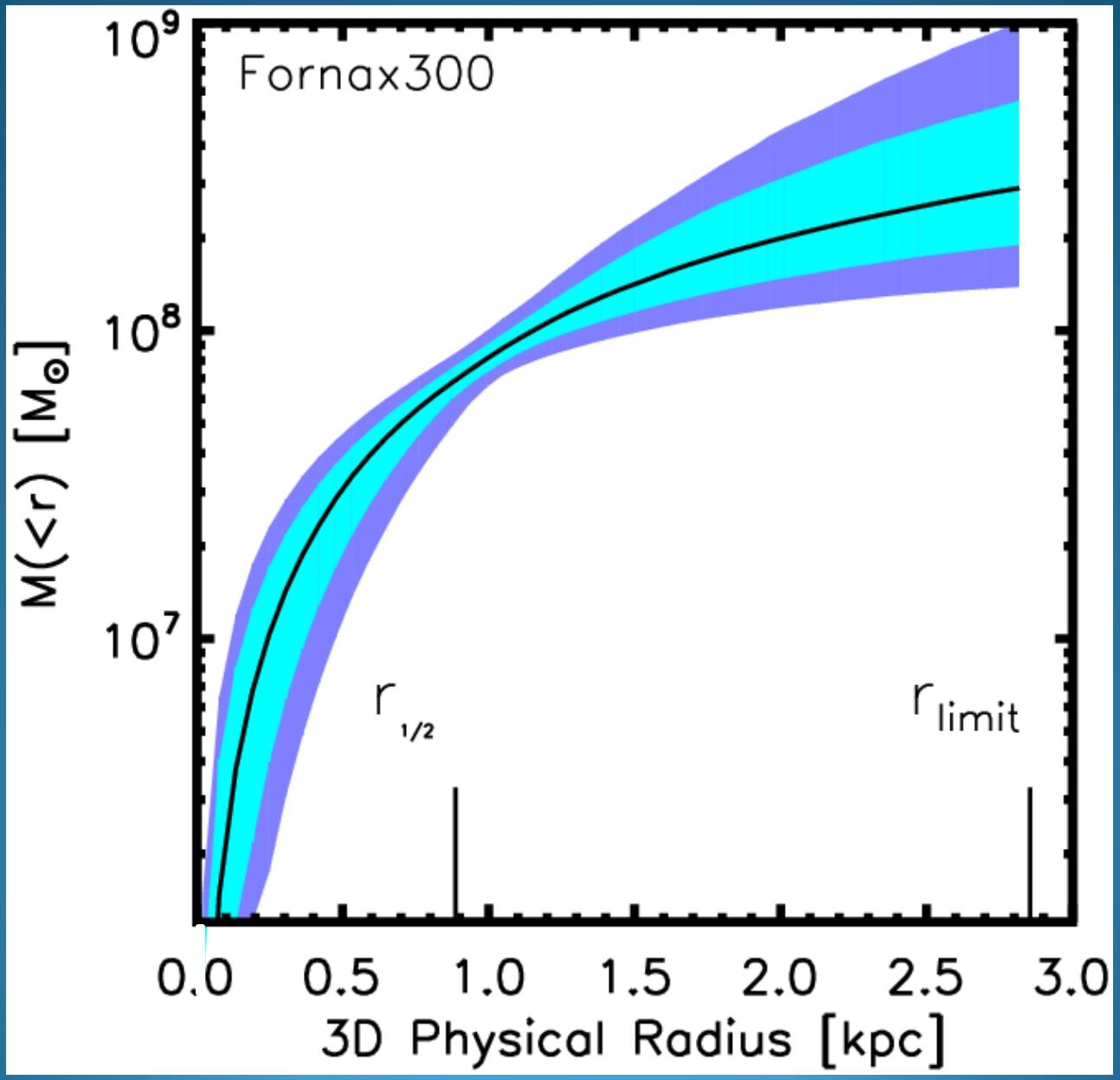

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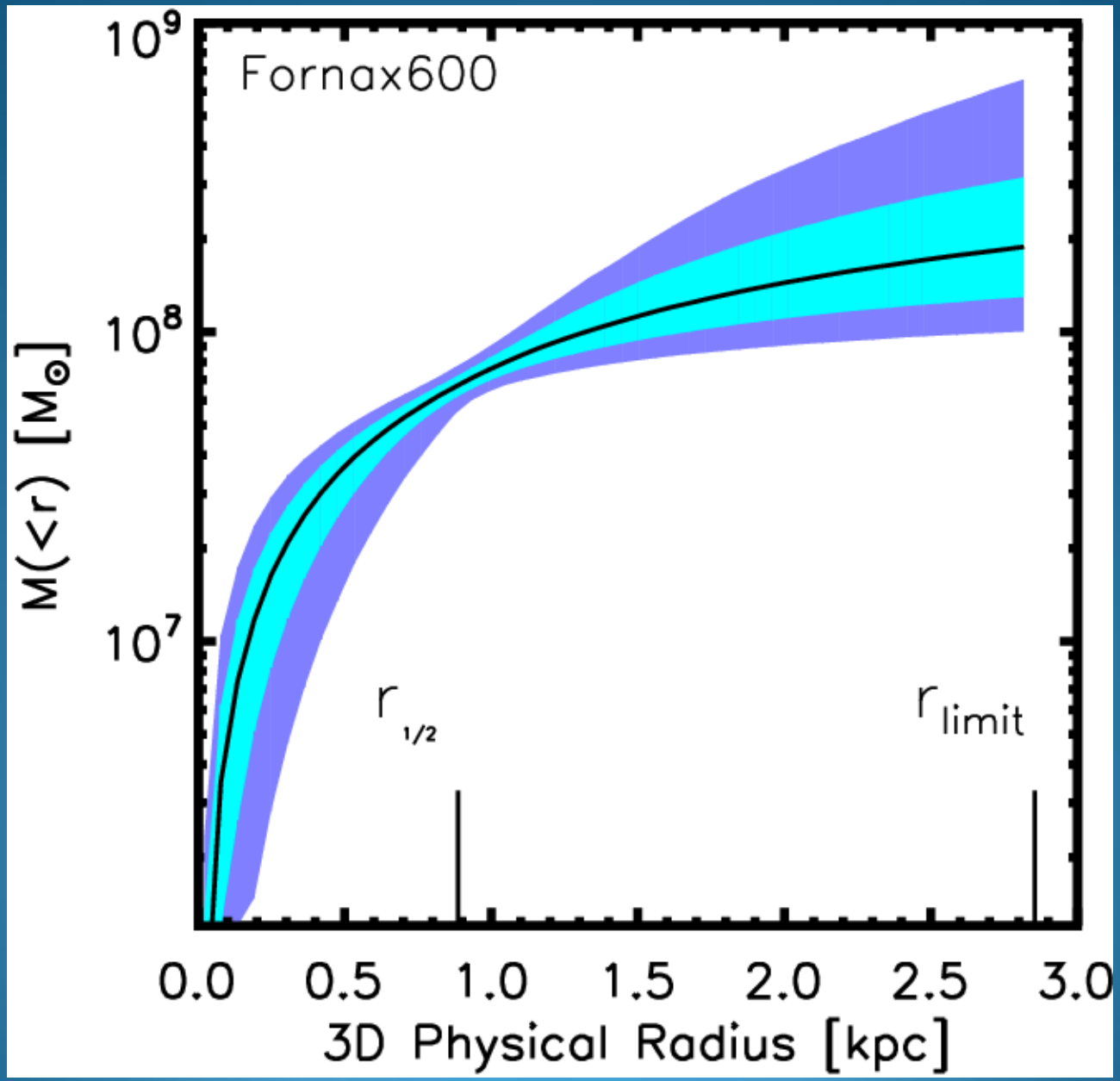

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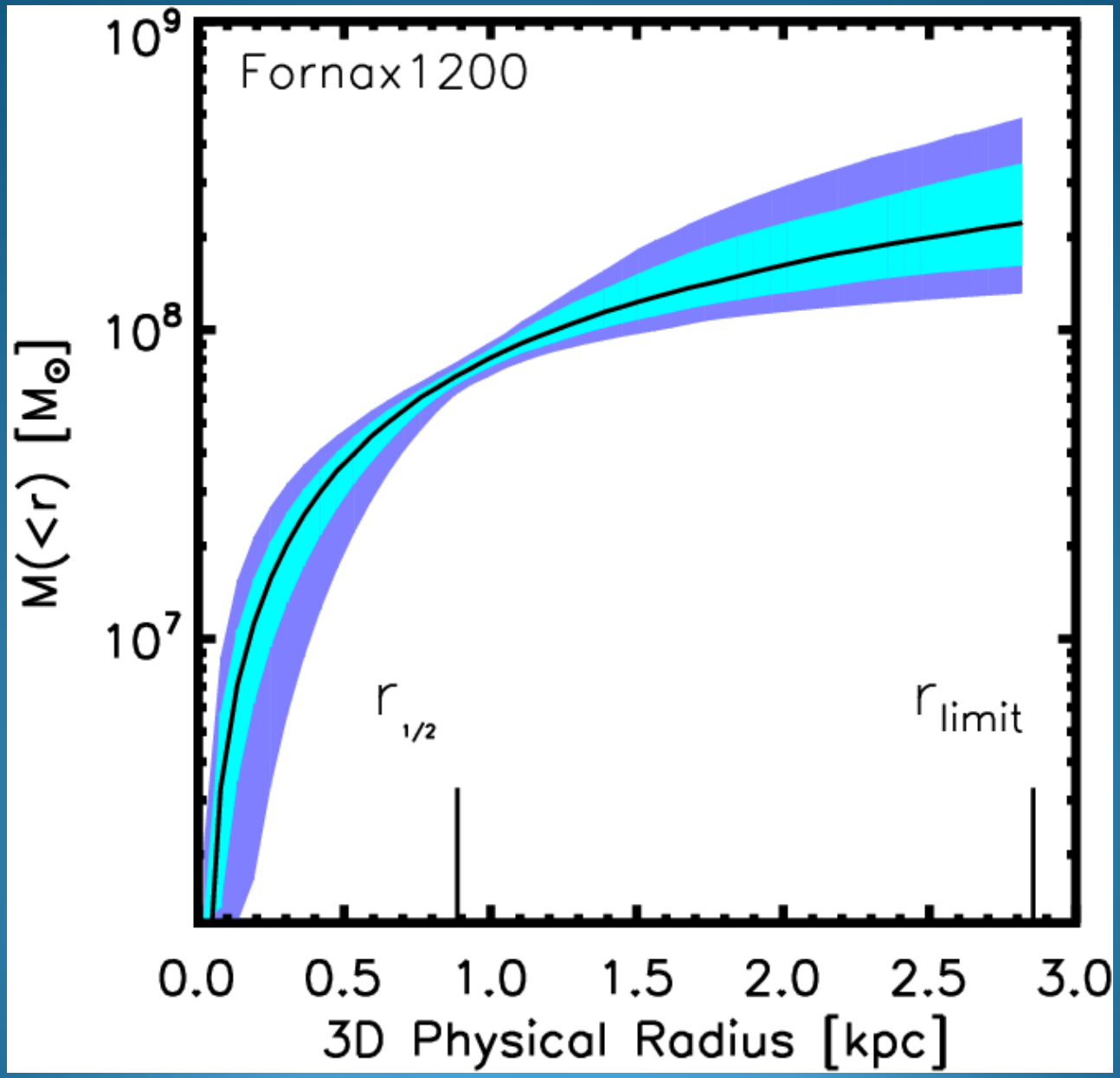

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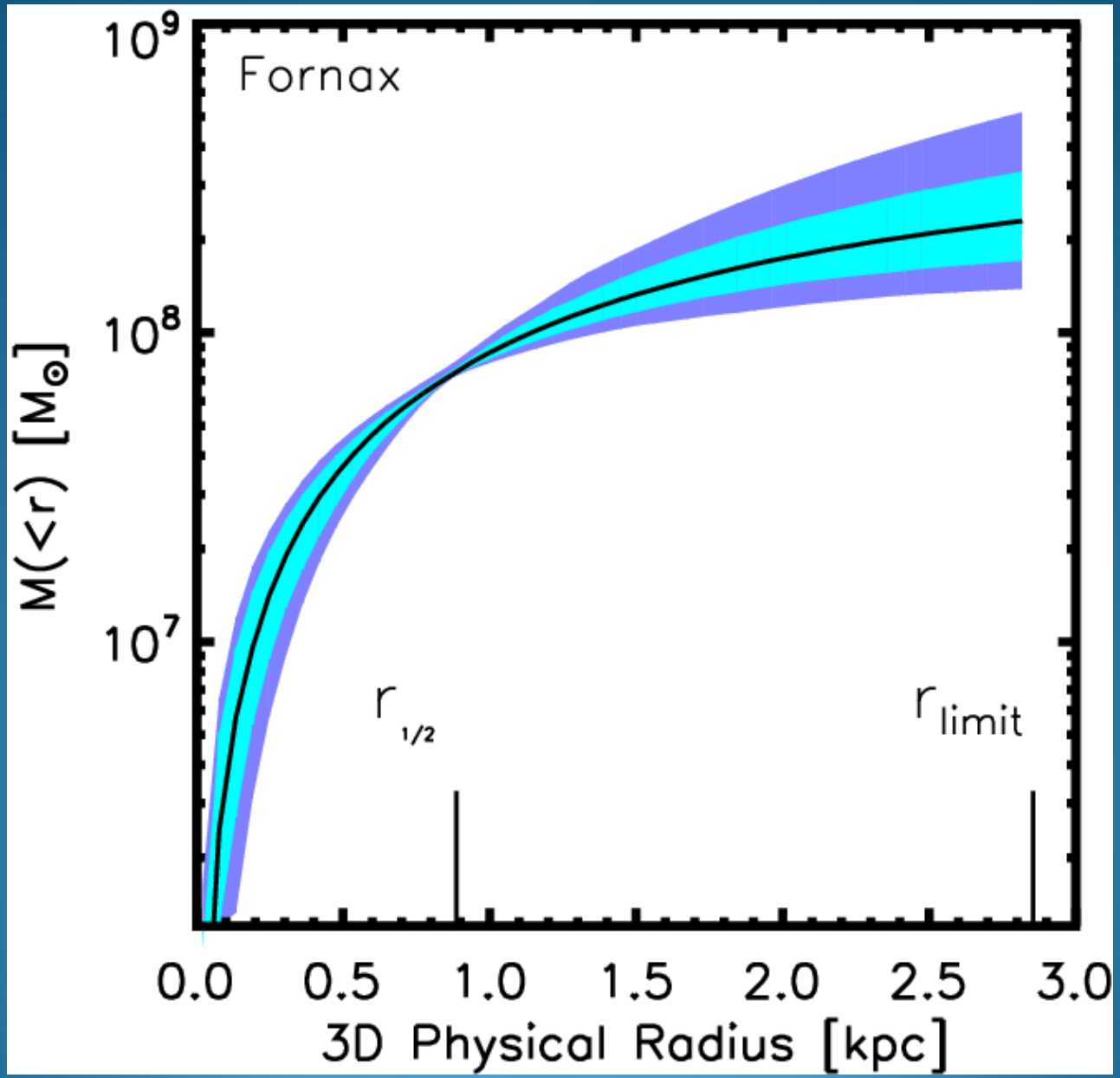

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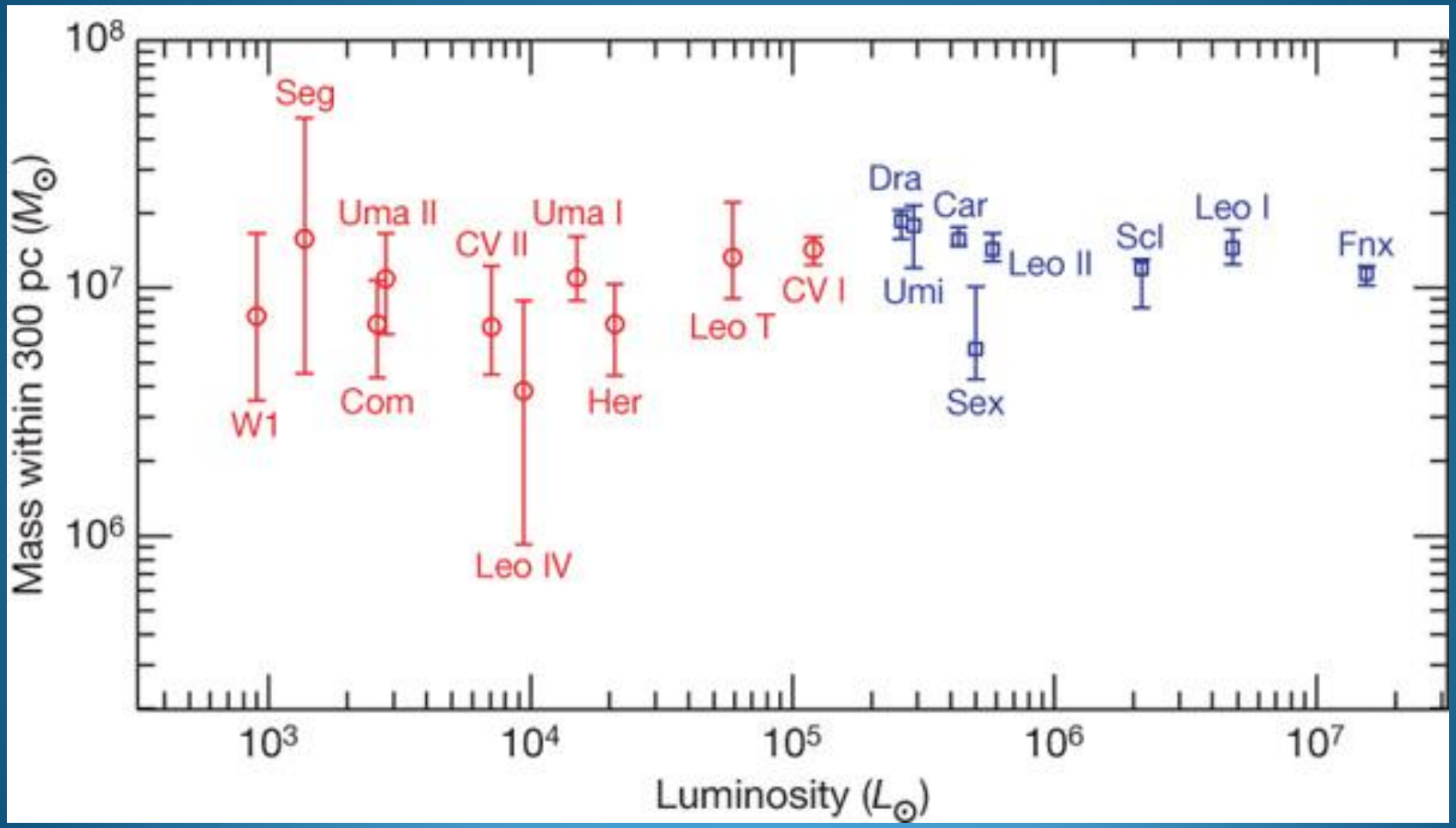

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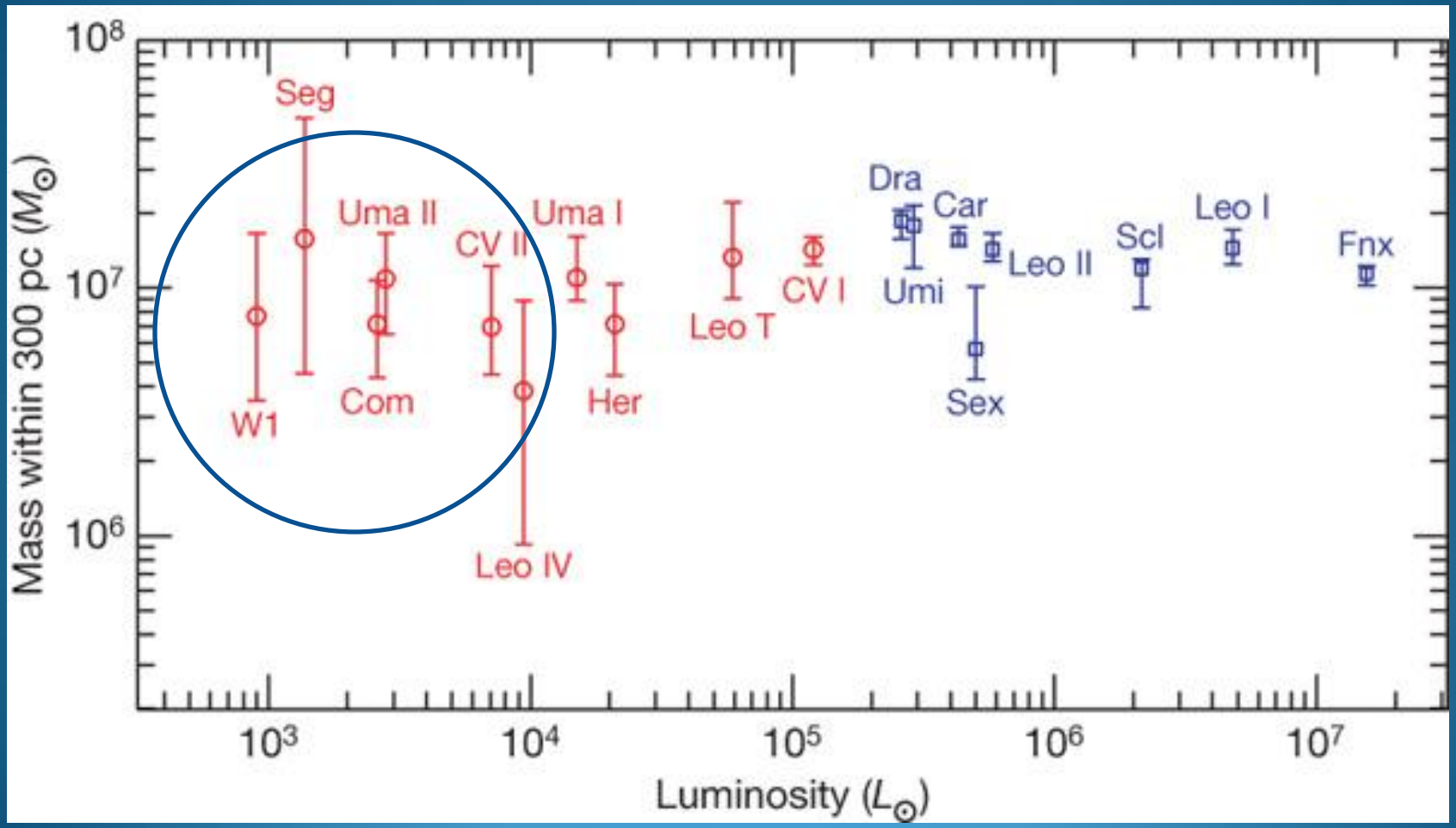

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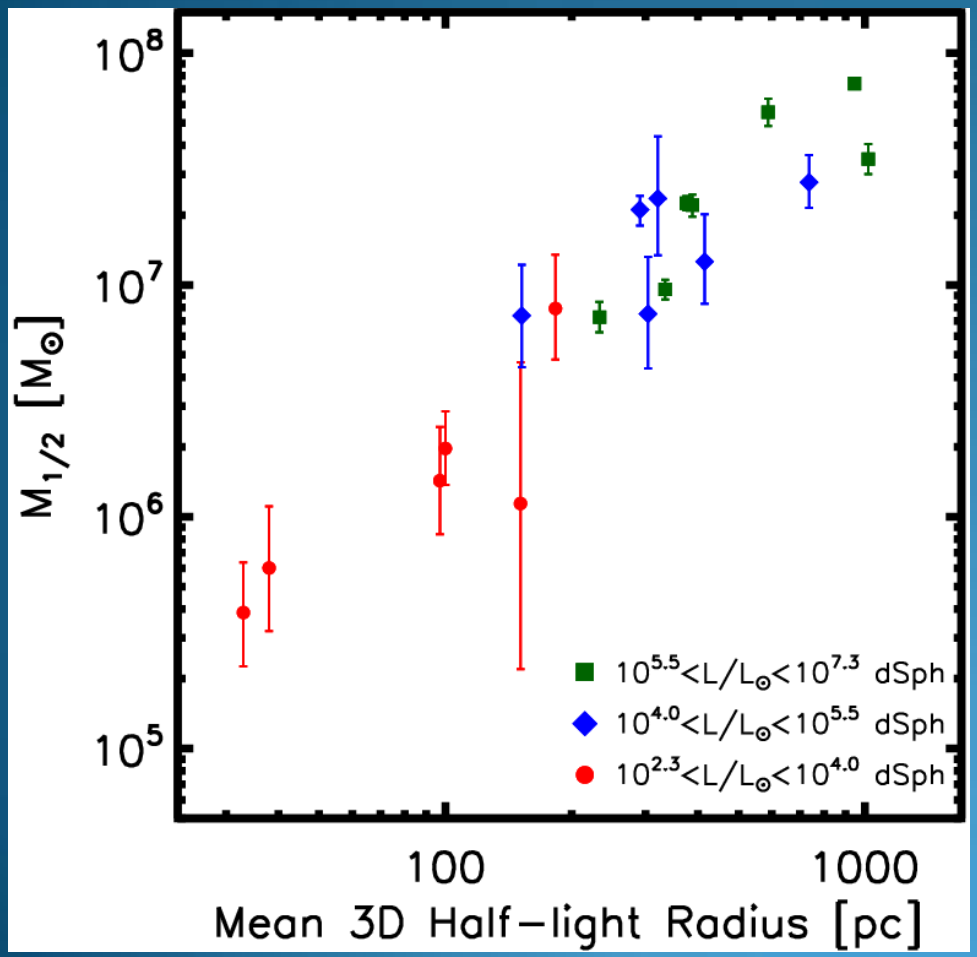

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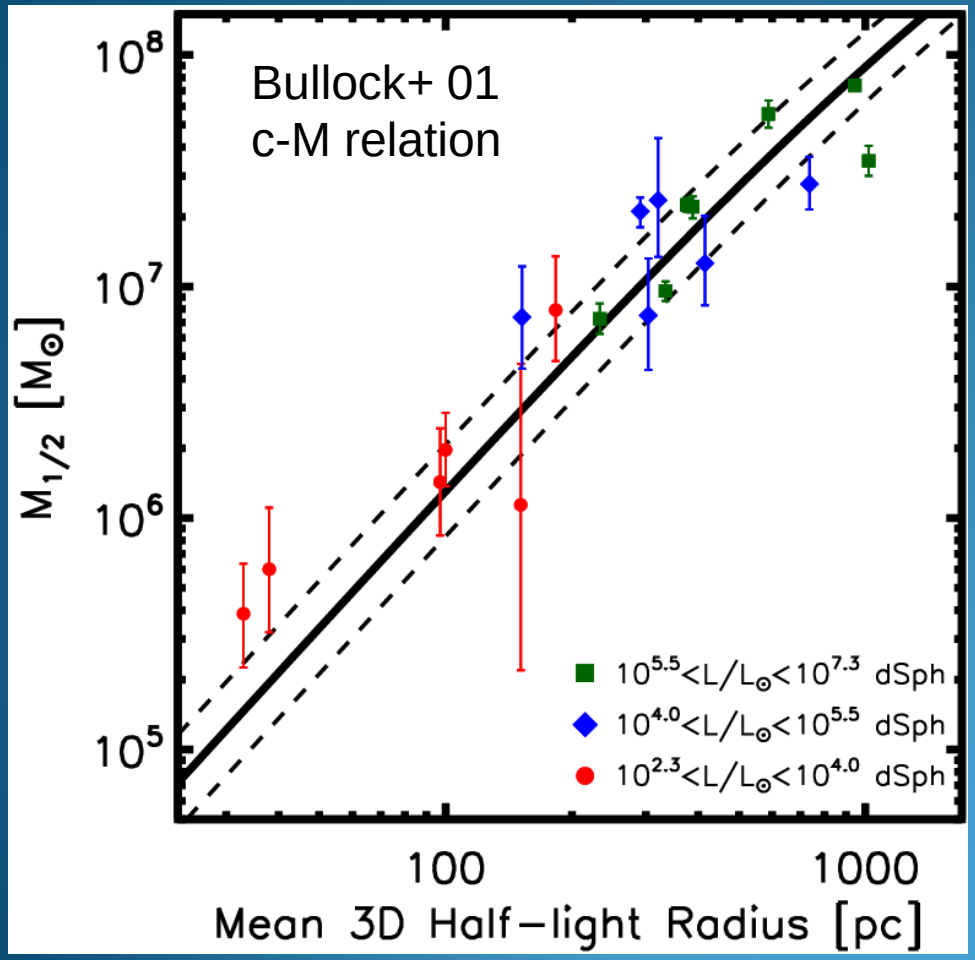

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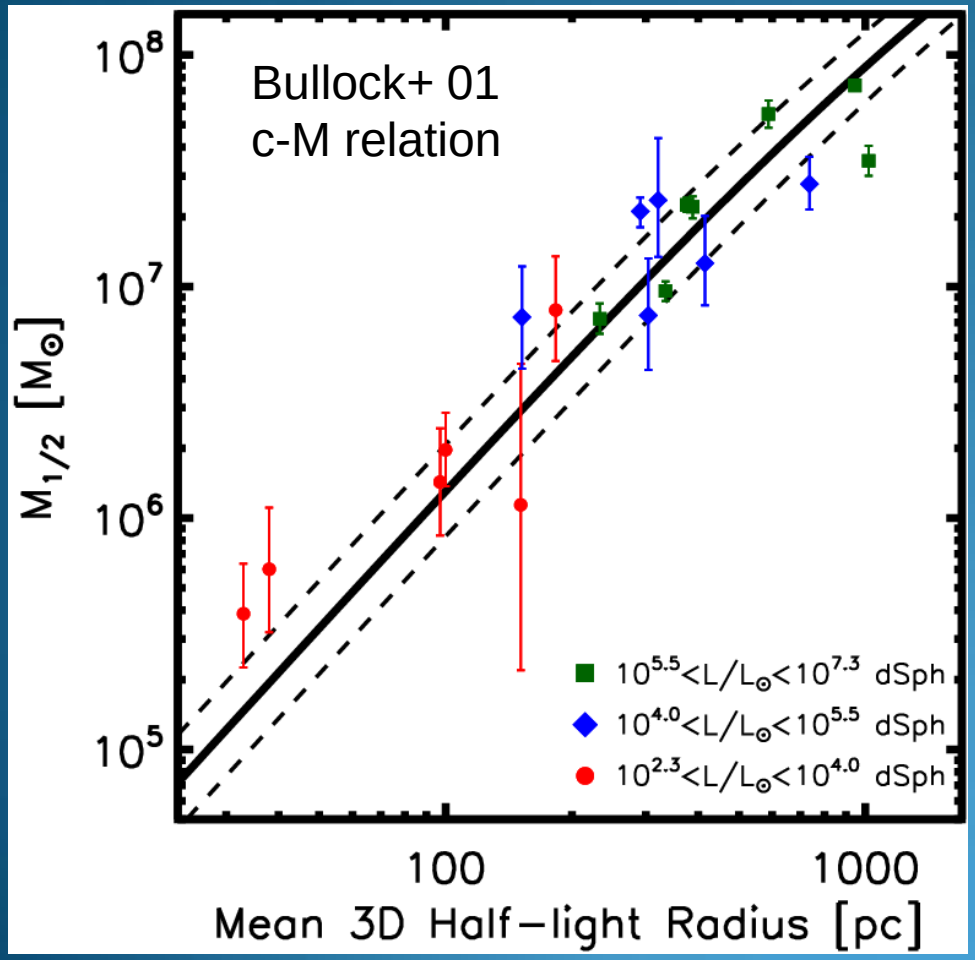

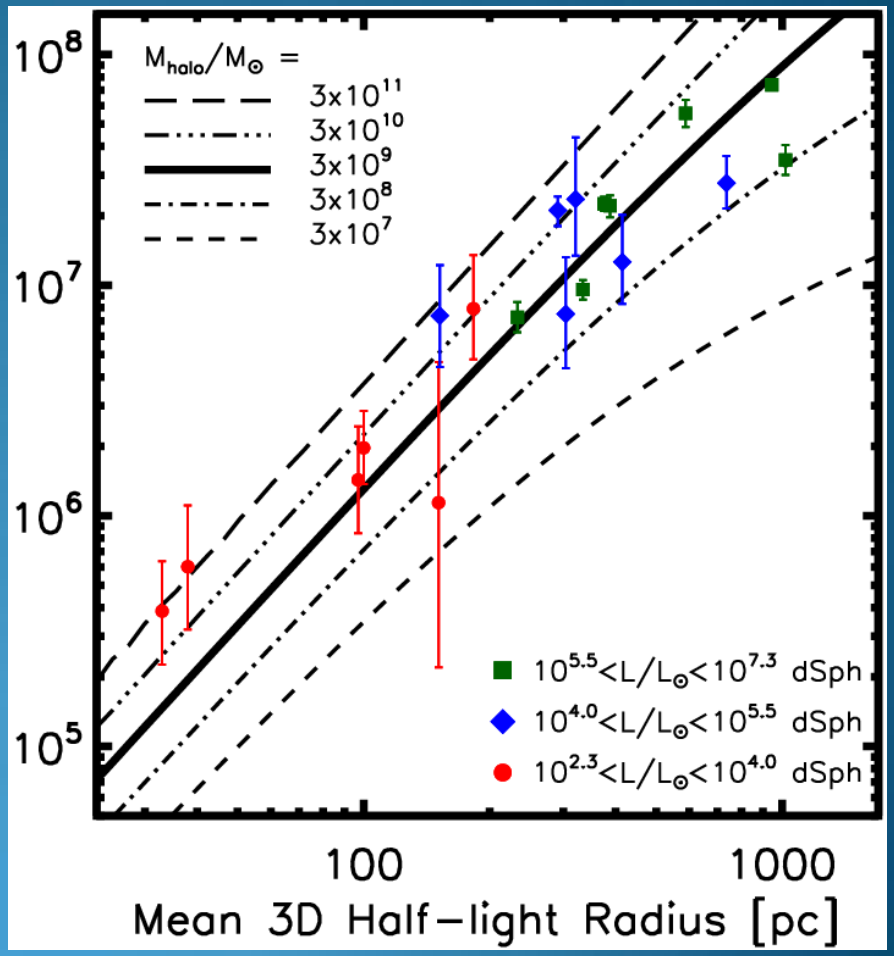

Notice: No trend with luminosity, as might be expected! Joe Wolf+ 0908.2995

Another dataset: M31

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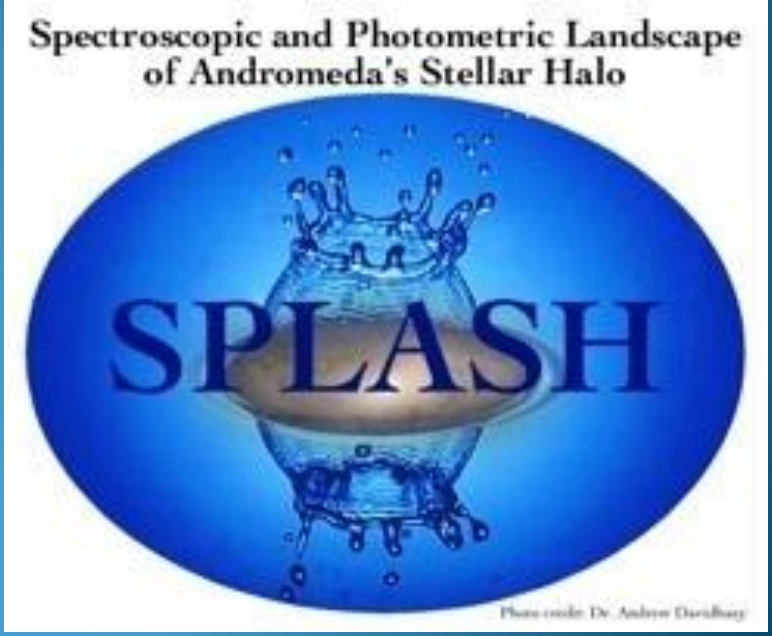
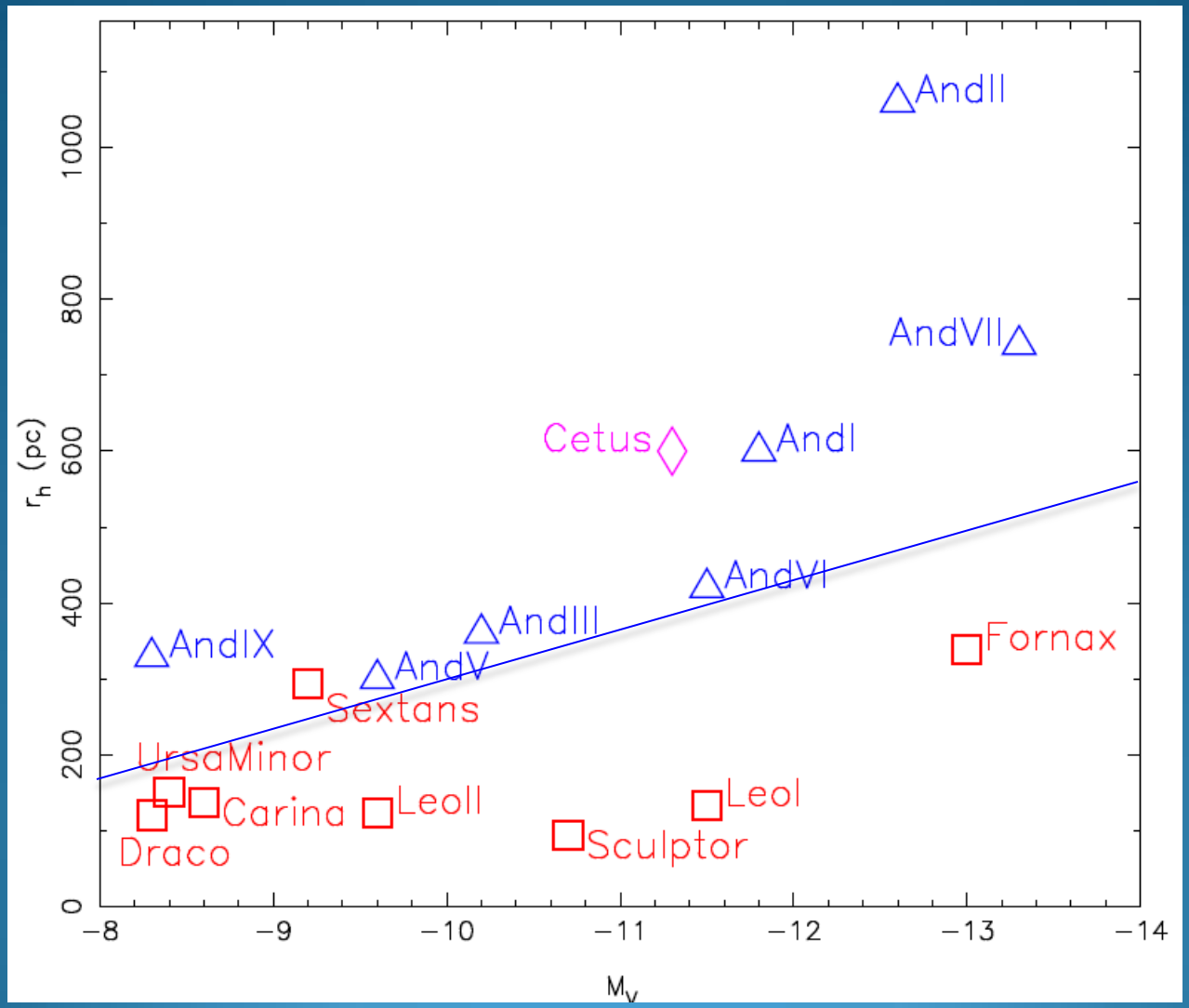
And others involved in SPLASH →



M31 dSphs: Larger than MW dSphs

Observed half-light radius



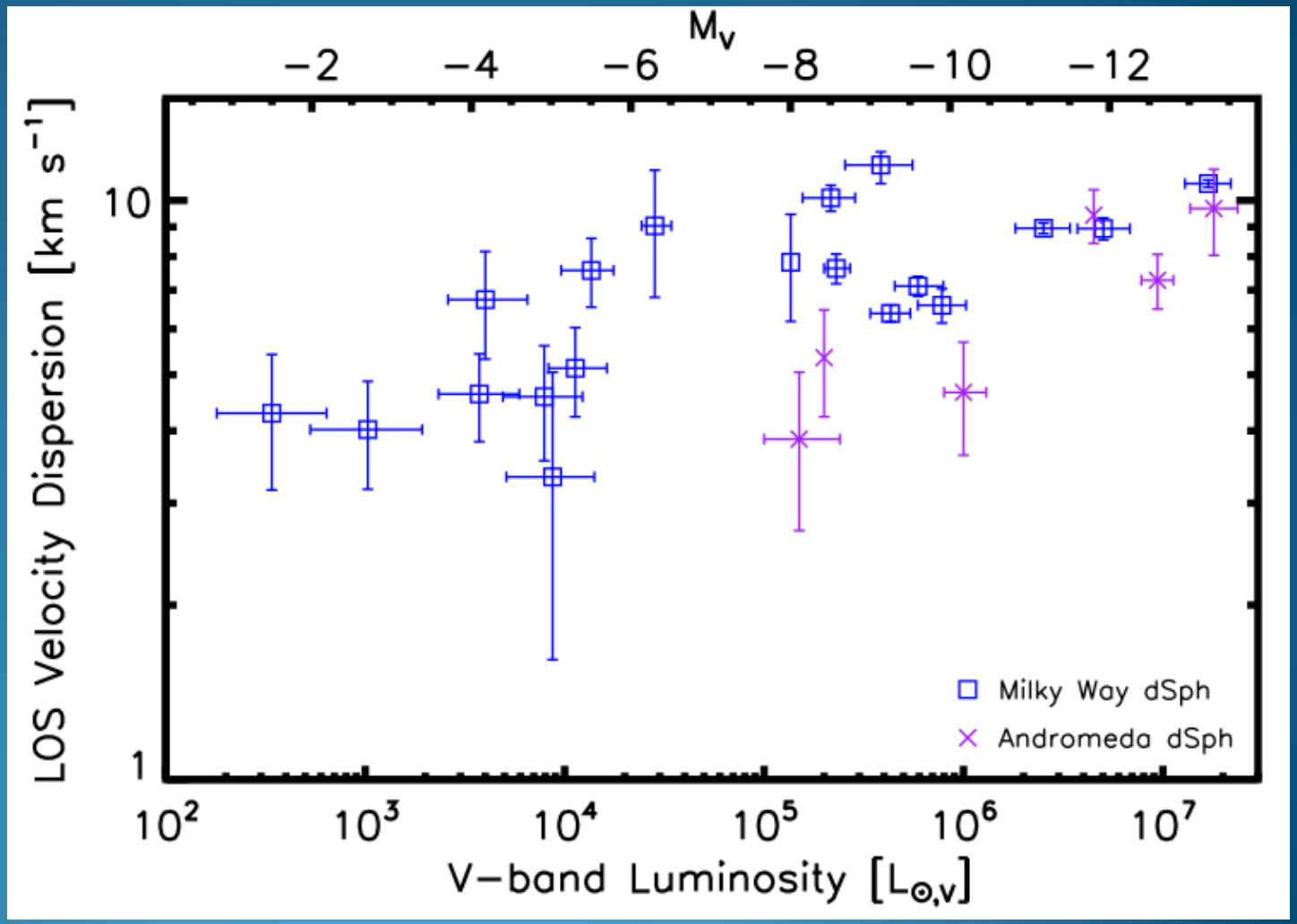
Dim Luminosity Bright

McConnachie & Irwin 2006, MNRAS

Dispersion vs Luminosity

Keck/DEIMOS: 10x more data than exist

And	#	σ km/s
I	76	9.1 ± 1.0
II	95	7.3 ± 0.8
III	43	4.7 ± 1.0
X	22	3.9 ± 1.2
XIV	38	5.4 ± 1.1



Dispersion data from Kalirai et al 2009, in prep

M31 dSphs: Bigger but less massive!

Spectroscopic data from Keck/DEIMOS.

DM halo mass offset by ~10.
M(<300 pc) offset by ~2.

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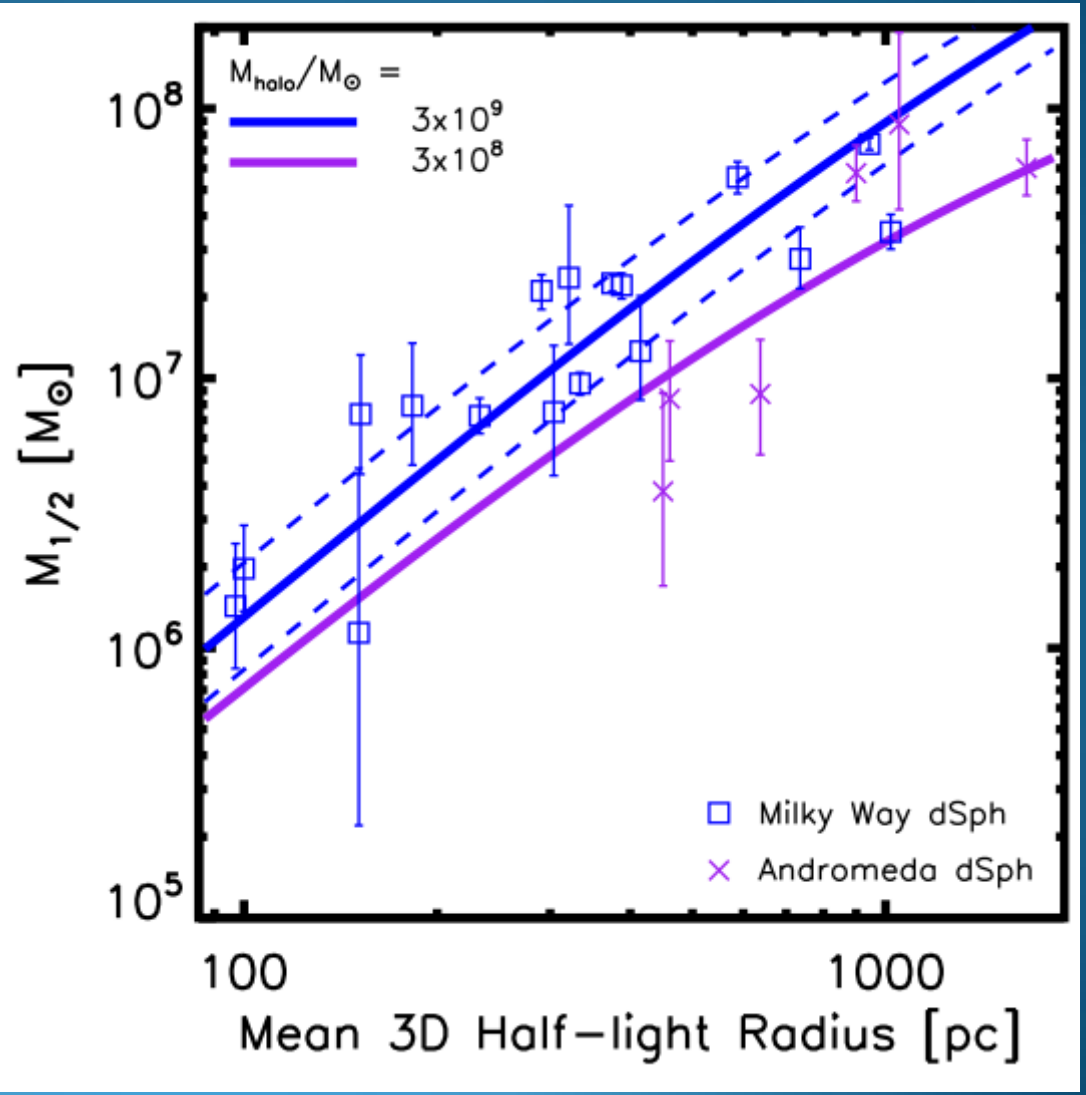

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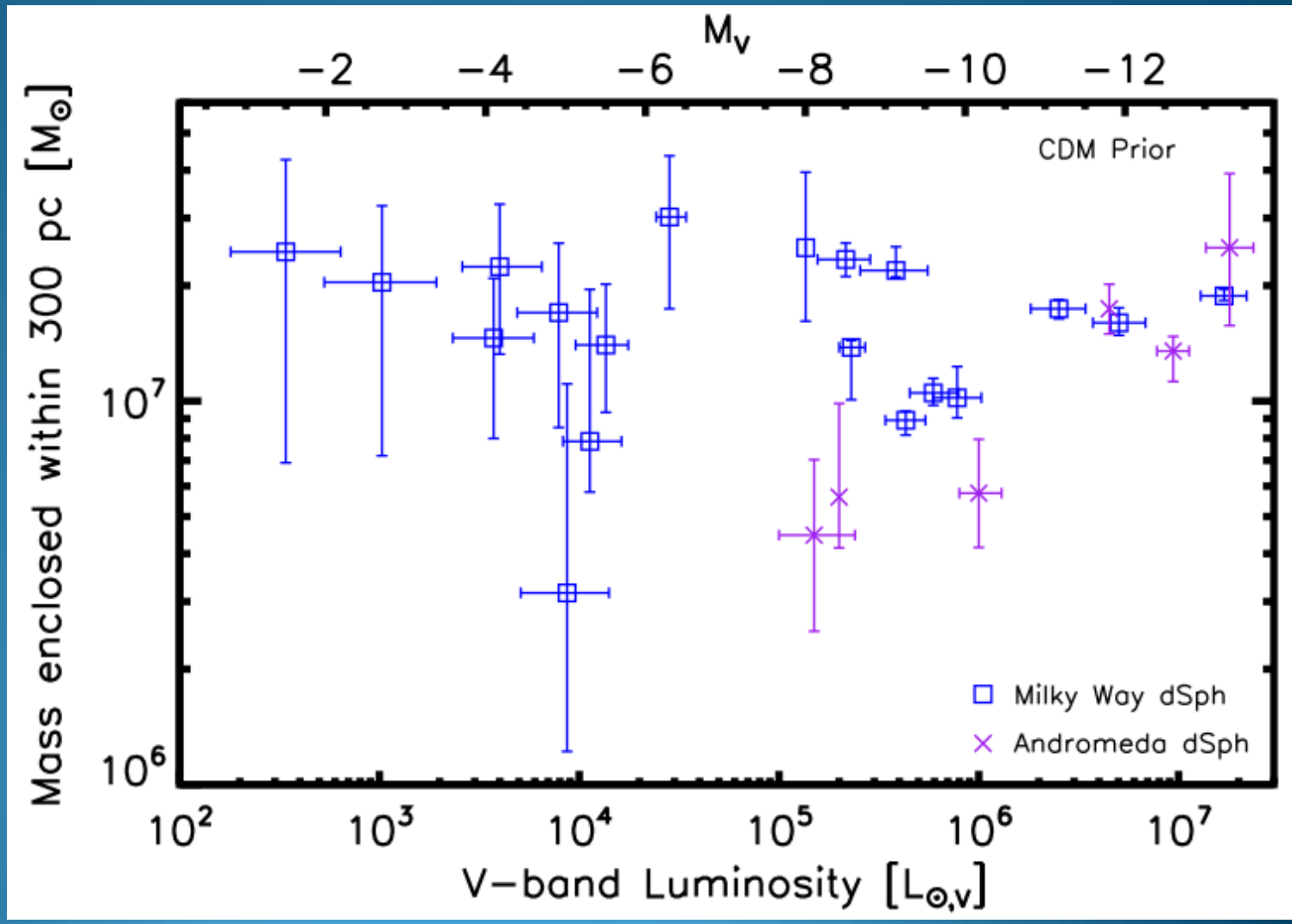

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M31: Different Environment?

If M31's DM halo collapsed later → Less dense substructure & later forming star formation.

Interesting:

Brown et al. 2008 find that portion of investigated M31 stellar halo is younger (on average) than MW's.

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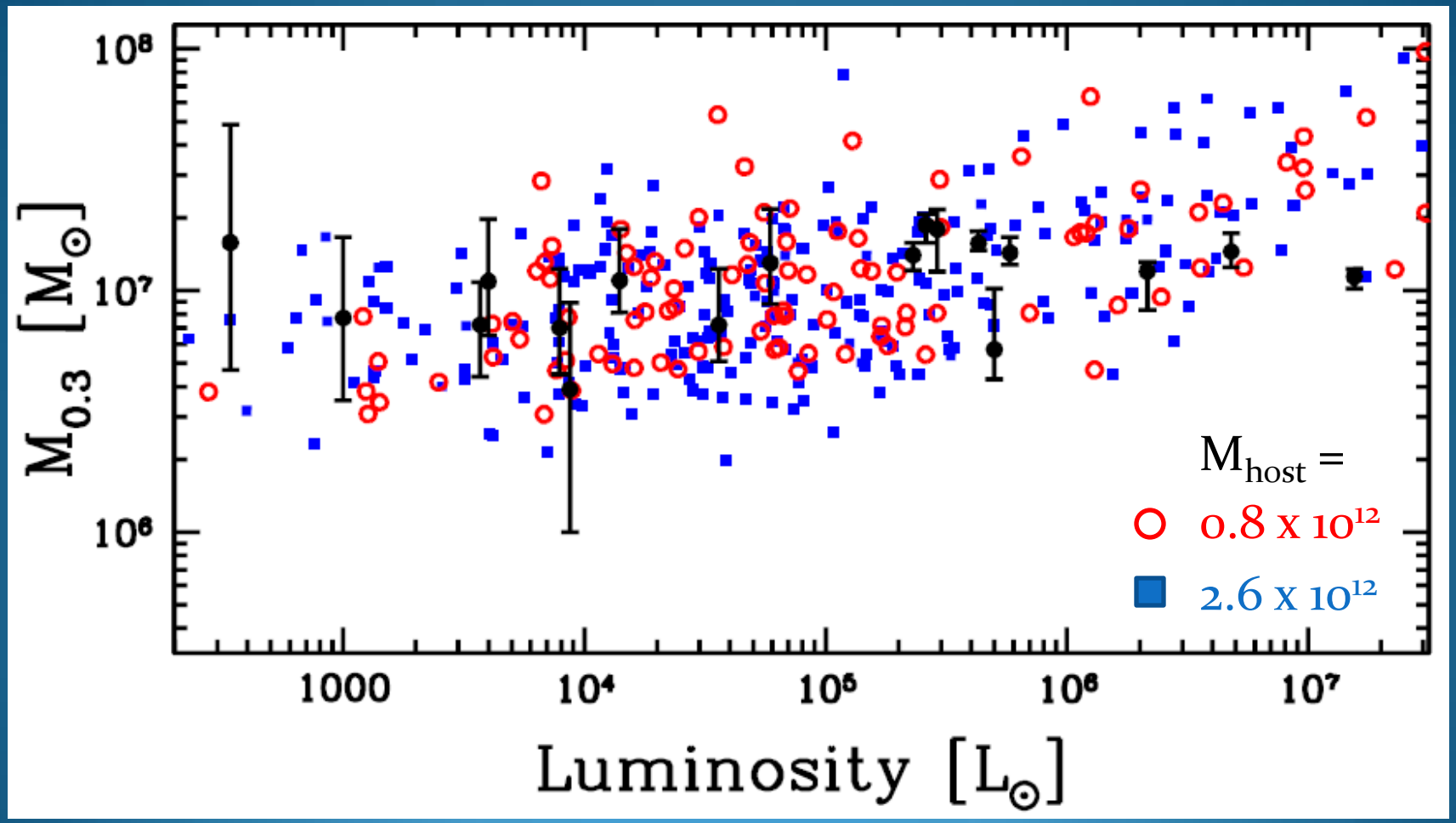
However…



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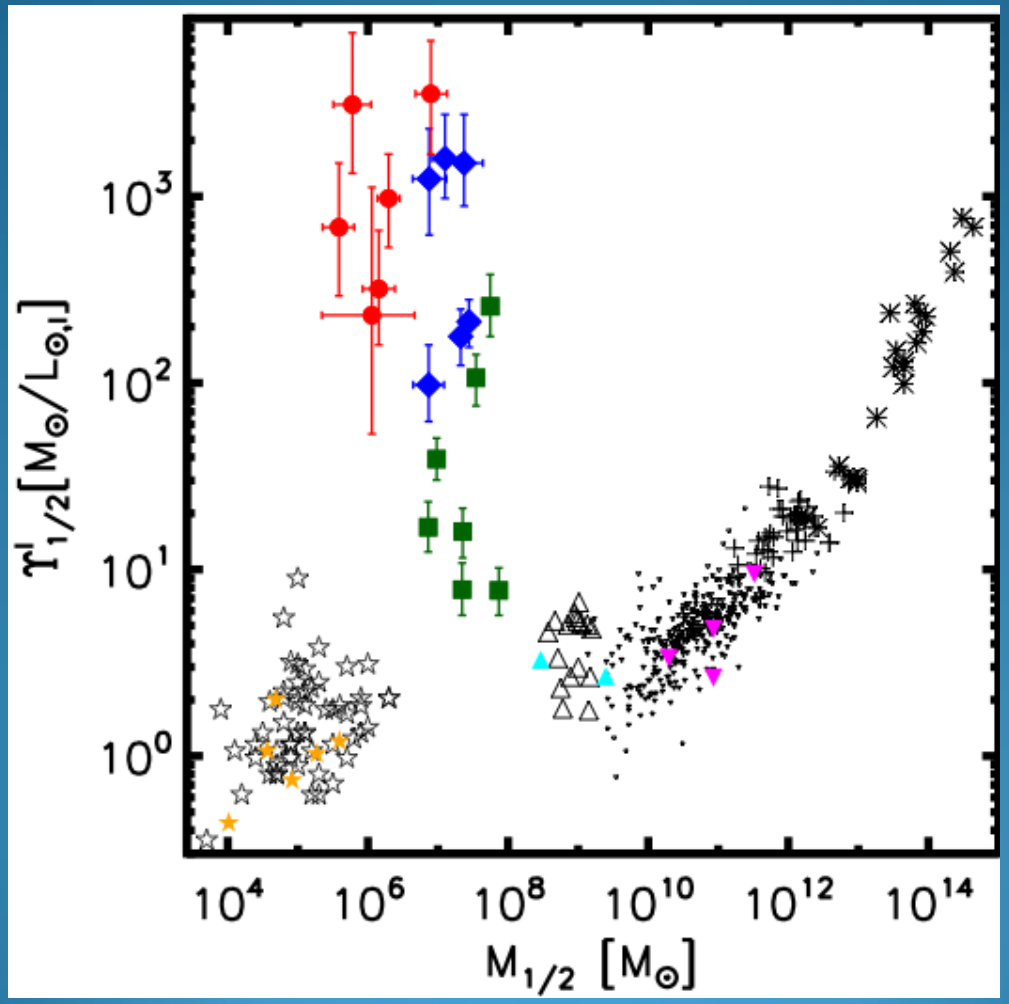

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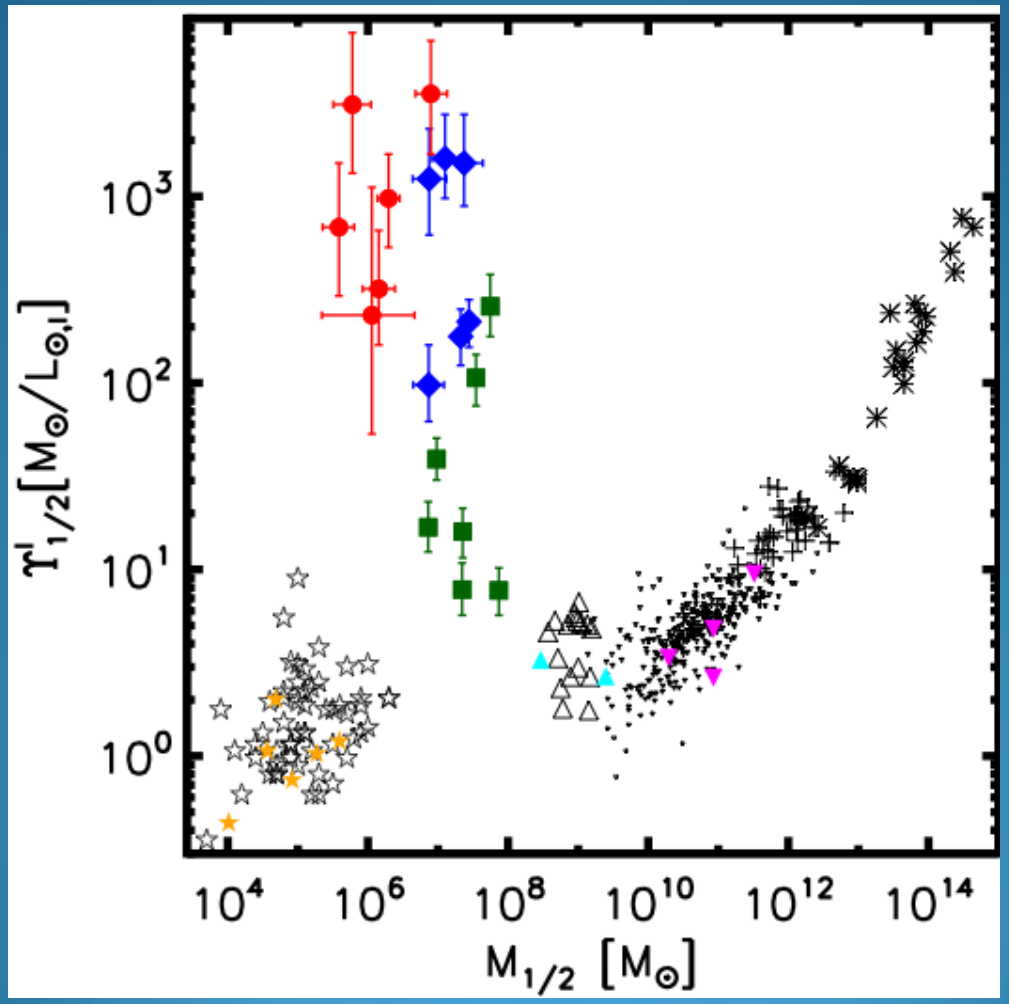

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Ultrafaint dSphs: Most DM dominated systems known!

Globulars: Offset from L* by factor of three

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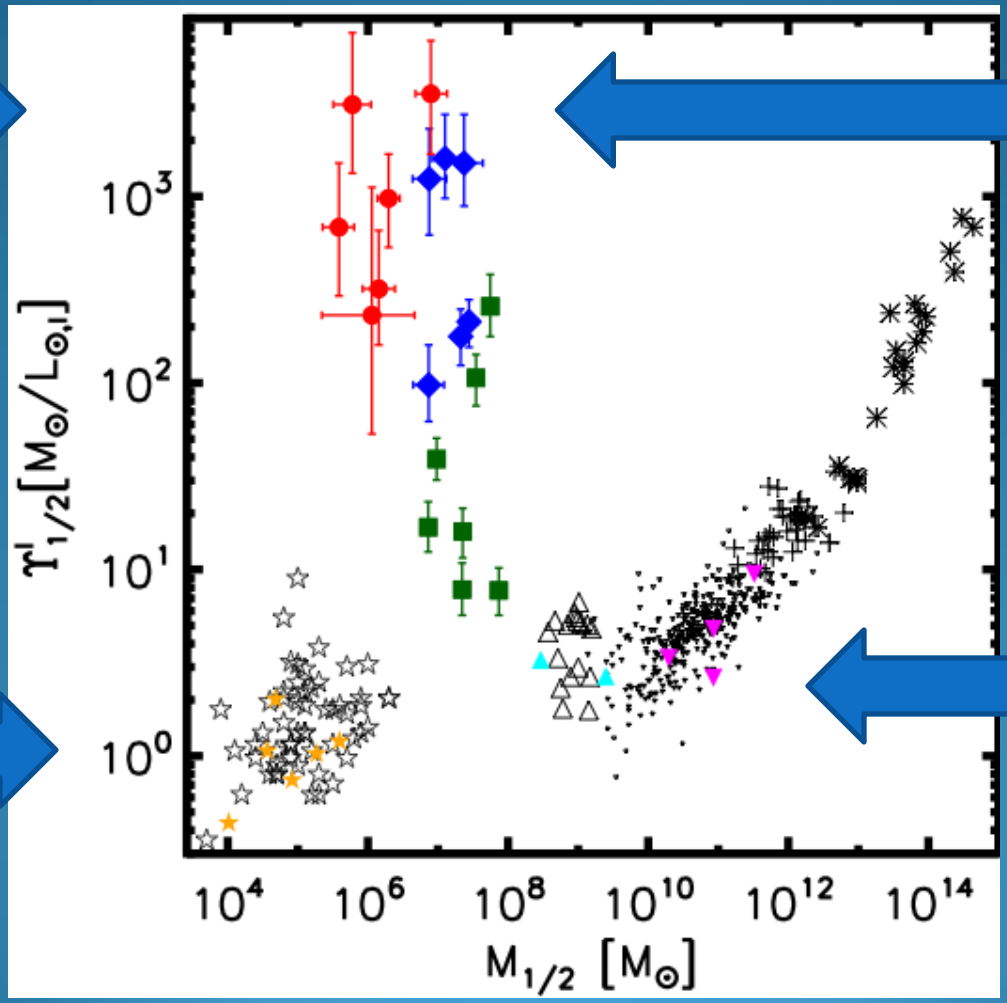

Inefficient at galaxy formation

L_*: Efficient at galaxy formation

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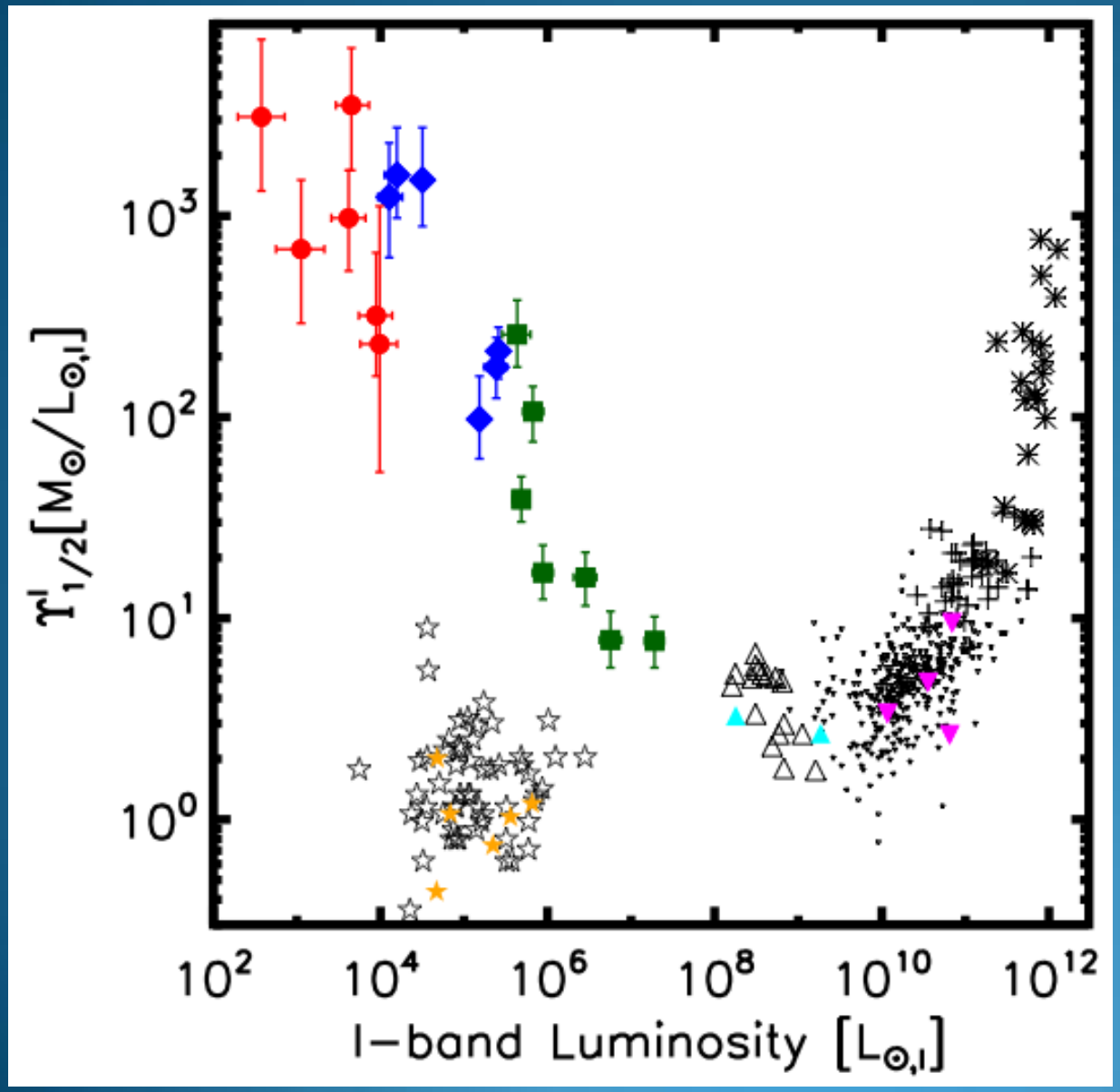

Last plot:
Mass floor

This plot:
Luminosity ceiling

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Looking at the FP in a new way

Fundamental Plane:
Independent
Observables

MLR:
Intrinsic Properties

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$$M_{1/2} = 3\,G^{-1}\,r_{1/2}\,\langle\sigma^2_{los}\rangle$$

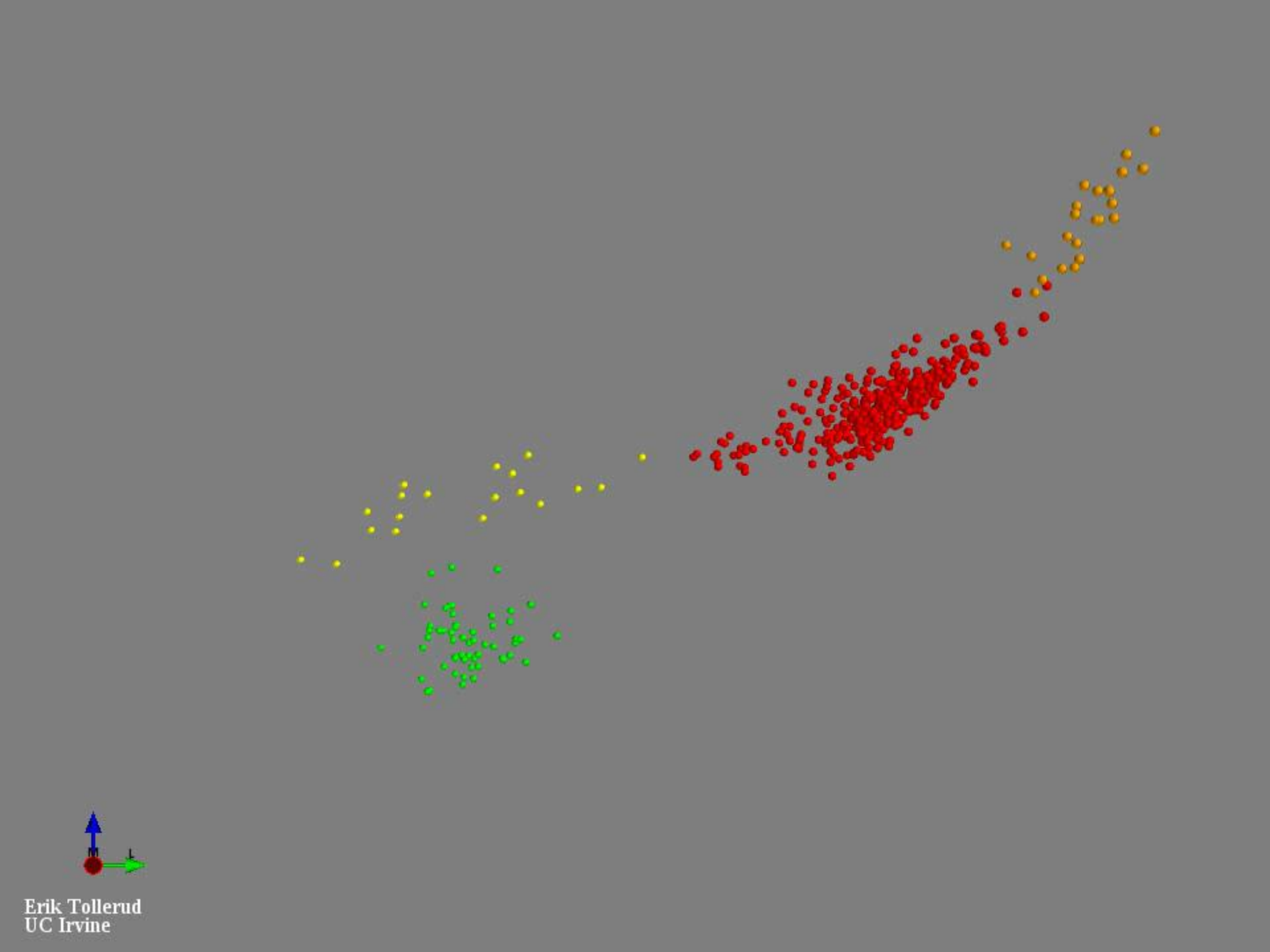
R_{eff}

$$r_{1/2} \simeq 4/3\,R_{eff}$$

I_{eff}

$$L_{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}\,I_{eff}\,\pi\,R^2_{eff}$$

Erik Tollerud, JW, et al. in prep.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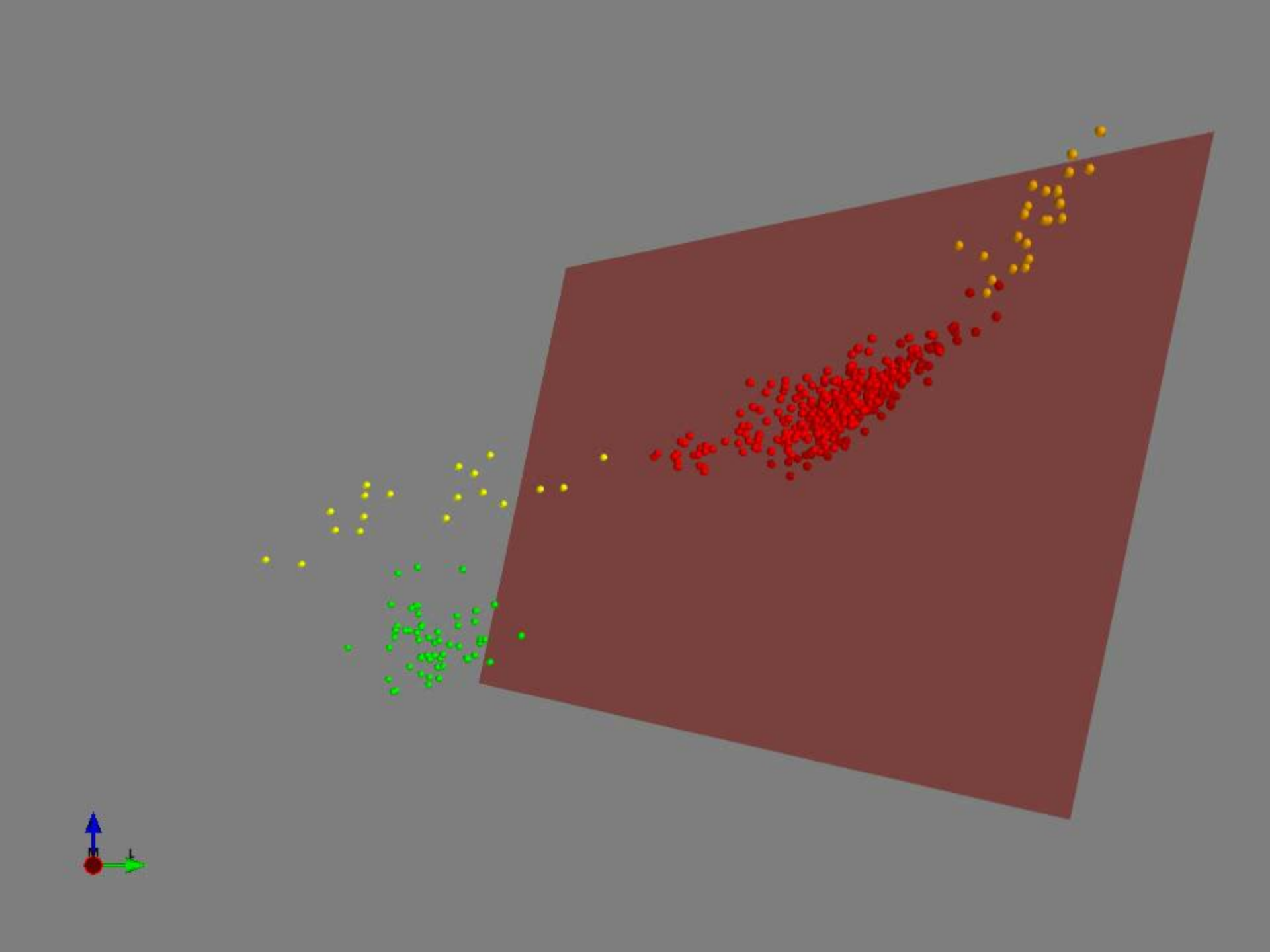

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$$\frac{M}{L} = \frac{5\,\langle\sigma_e^2\rangle\,R_e}{G\,L}$$

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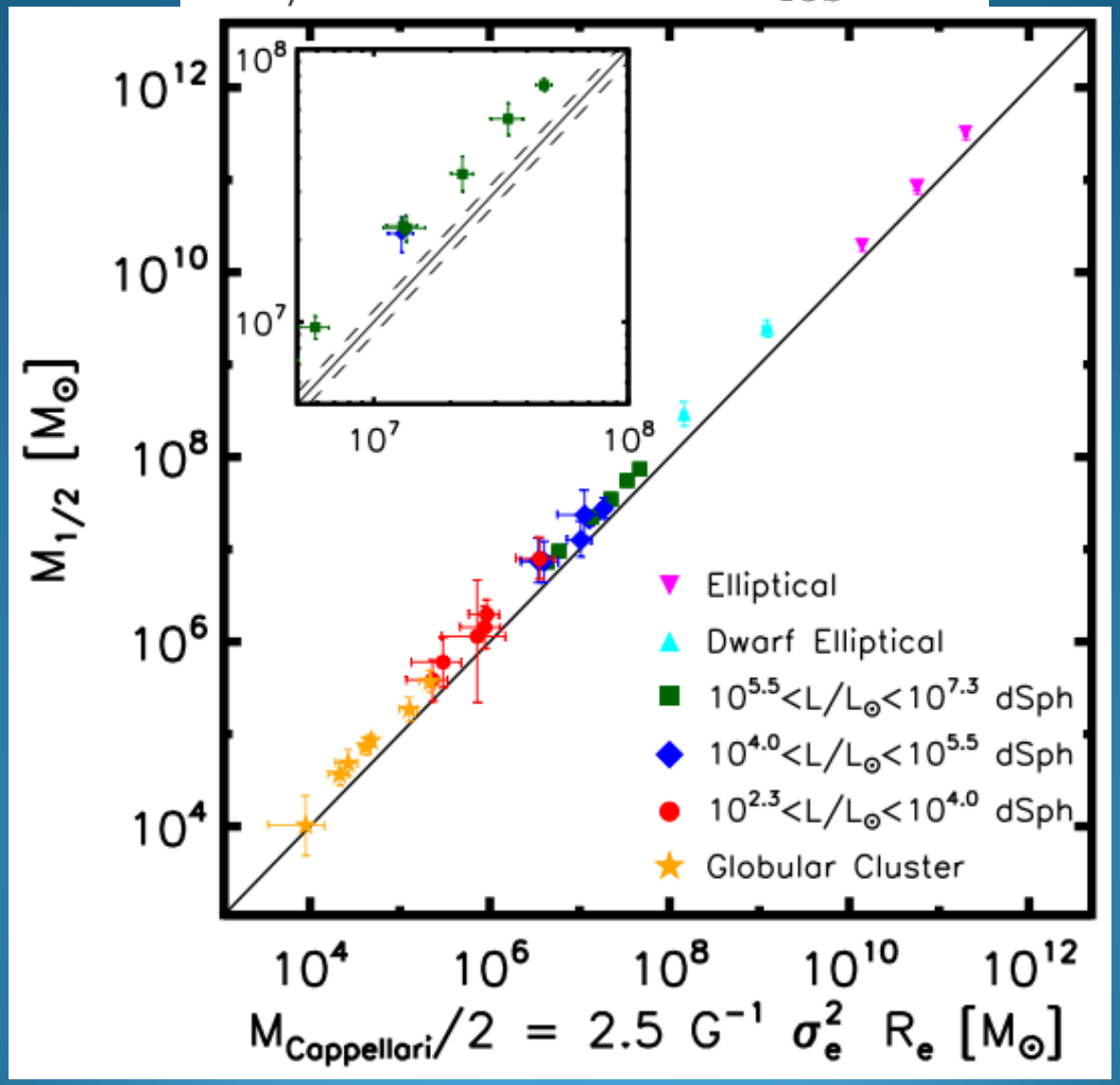
$$M_{1/2} = 4\,G^{-1}\,\langle \sigma^2_{los} \rangle\, R_e$$



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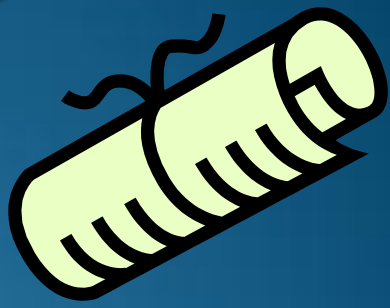

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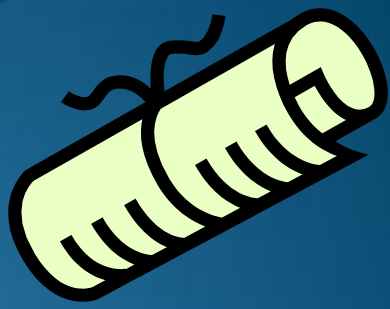

- M31 dSphs: Offset mass scale. Differing M300-L slope. What the?!

- 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 these results.

- GCs vs L*: M/L ratios are offset…hmm?

- Fundamental curve more fundamental than the FP.