

# The internal kinematics of Local Group dwarf galaxies

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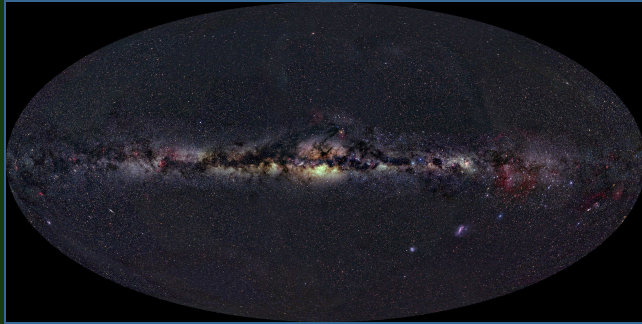
Recent review articles:

Battaglia, Helmi, Breddels 2013, New Astronomy Reviews  
Walker 2013, Planets, Stars and Stellar Systems Vol. 5

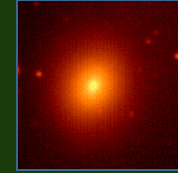
# The inhabitants of the Local Group

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## The Milky Way, LMC, SMC



## Andromeda, M32, M33



& about 70 dwarf galaxies (so far)  
covering a wide magnitude range  
( $-3 < \sim M_V < \sim -16$ )

Negligible in terms of stellar mass  
budget, but most numerous galaxy  
type -> **What drives the evolution of  
the majority of galaxies?**

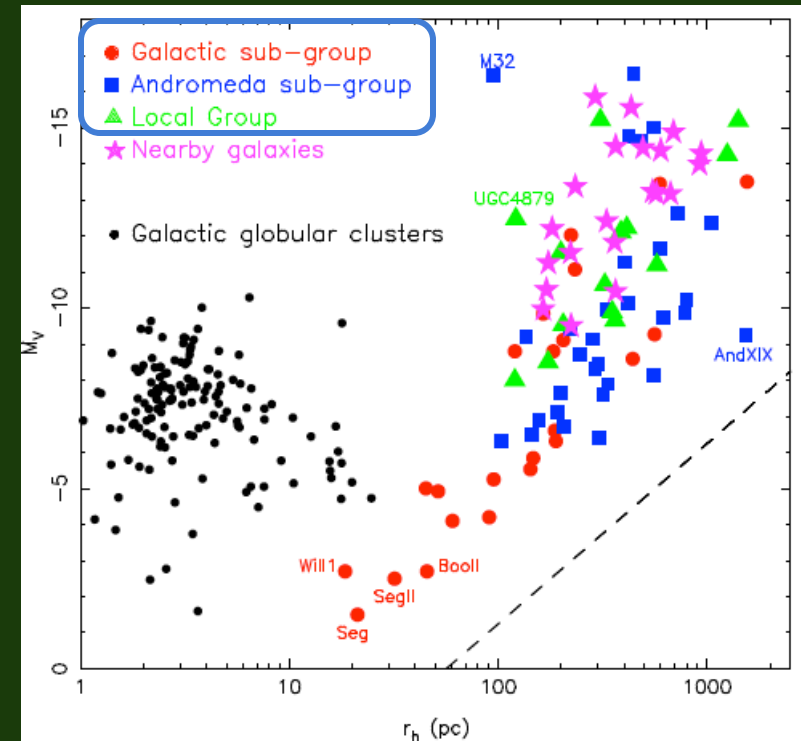


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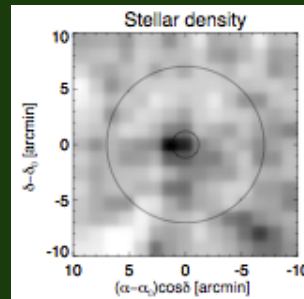
# Insights on several fundamental questions

- Negligible in terms of stellar mass budget, but most numerous galaxy type → What drives the evolution of the majority of galaxies?
- Overlap in luminosity and size with stellar clusters → What distinguishes a stellar cluster from a galaxy? (Hint: the presence of dark matter...)
- Enourmous dynamical M/L (up to 1000s) → What can we learn about the nature of dark matter?

# What drives the evolution of dwarf galaxies? We ought to explain the existence of the various dwarf types

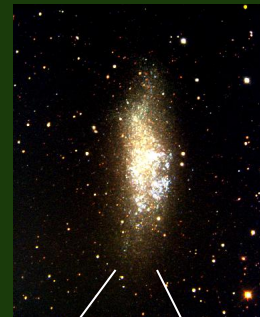
Without HI  
No current star formation

With HI (only 14 out of 70 LG members)  
Current SF      No current SF



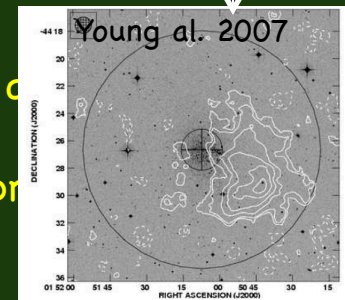
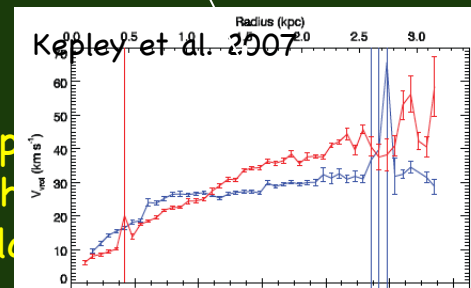
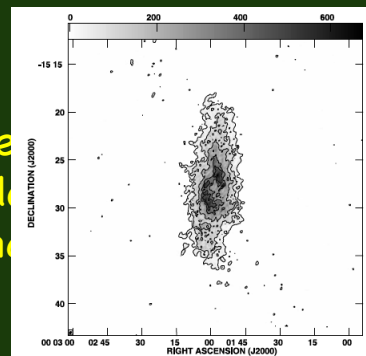
“Bright dwarf spheroidal (dSph)”

“Just a very faint dwarf spheroidal? (dSph)”



Dwarf irregular (dIrr)

“Transition type” (dT)

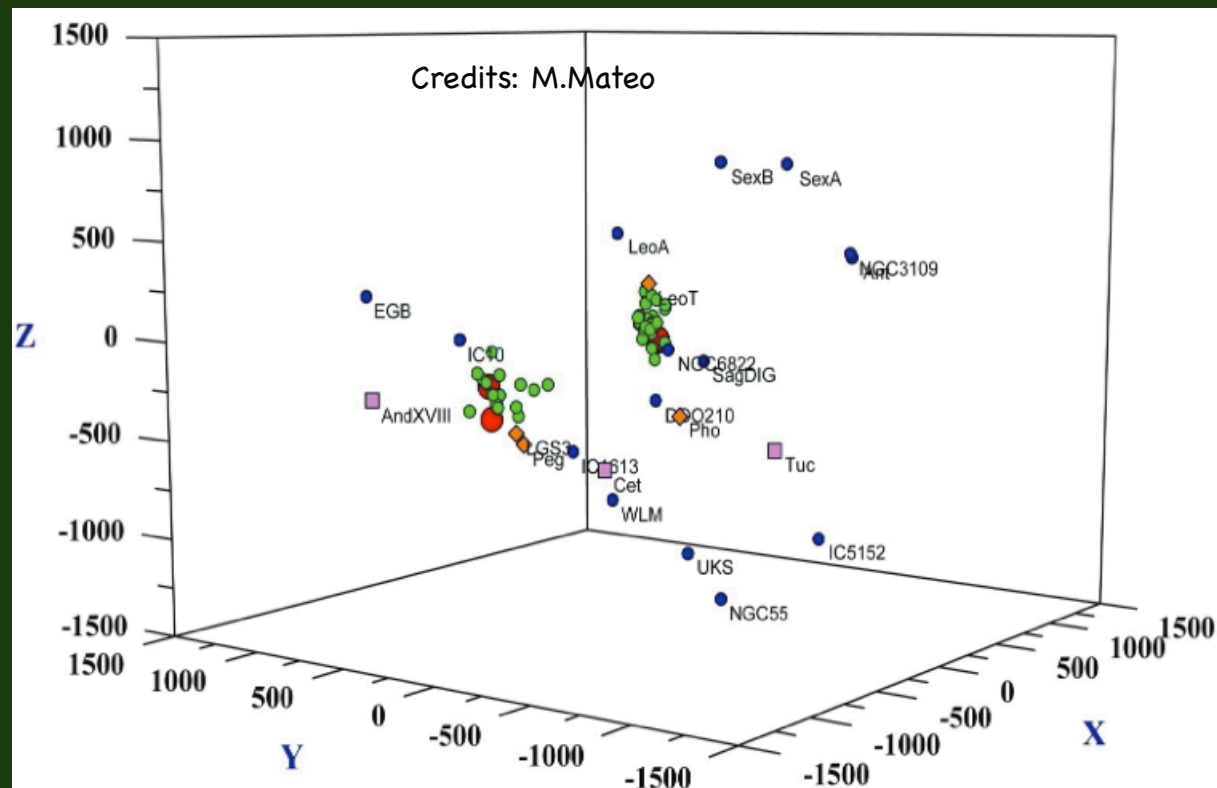
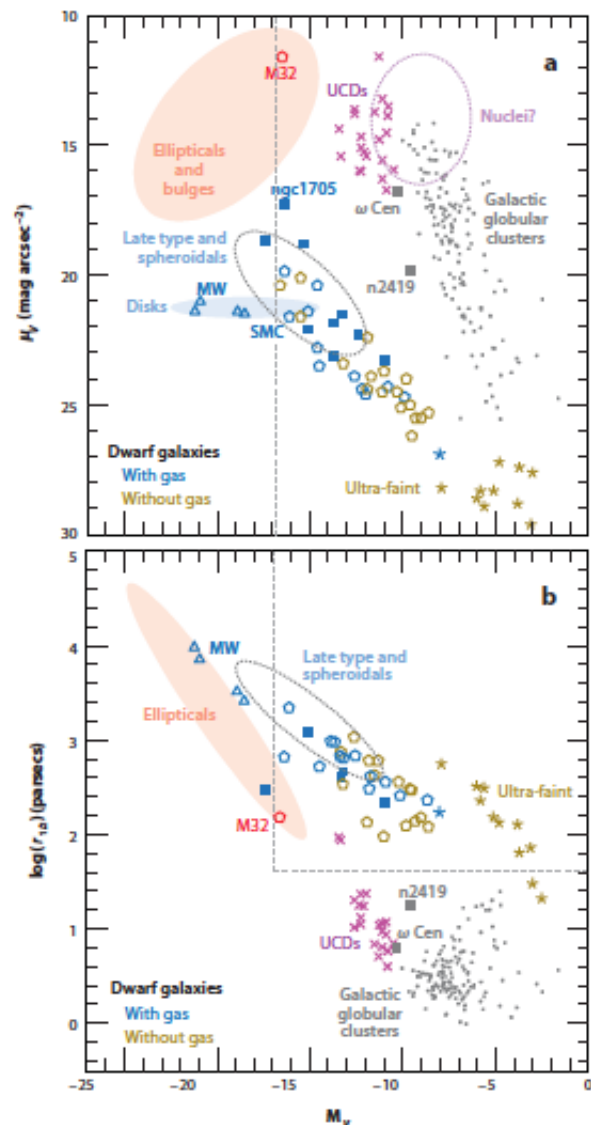


- Step 1: Observational character
- Step 2: Comparison (in what d
- Step 3: can we identify the m

It is crucial to look at the evolved stellar component!



# Global relations: evolutionary link?



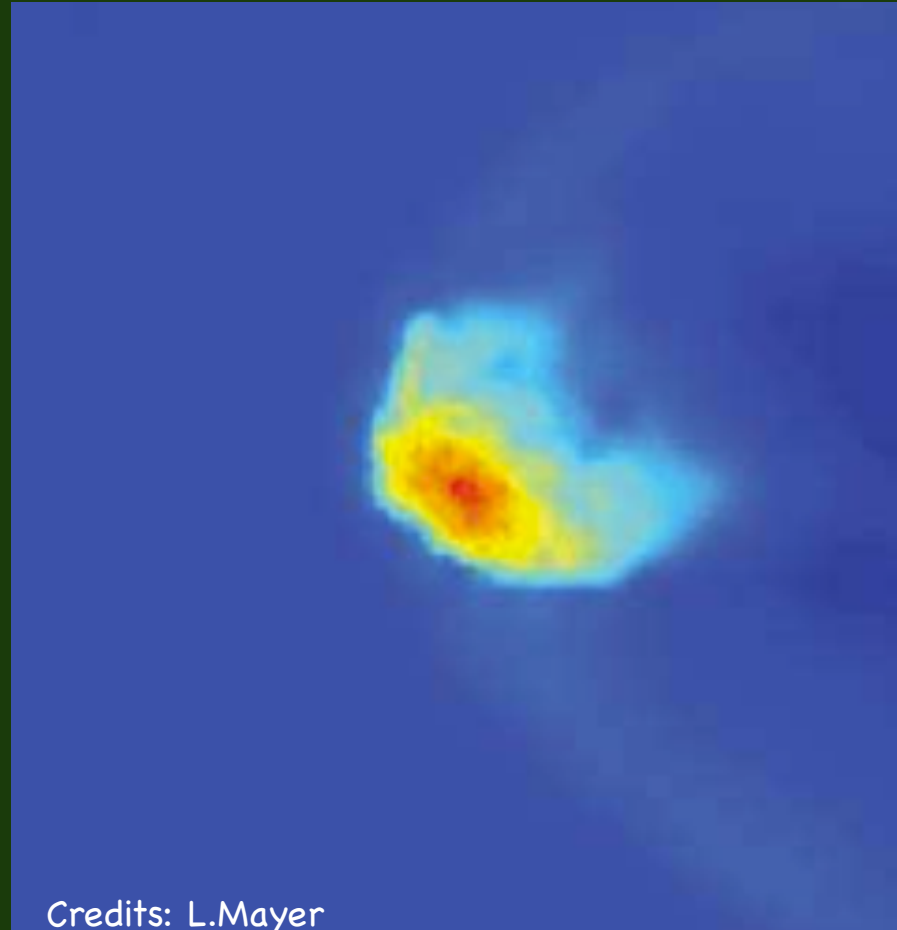
Dwarf irregulars ● Dwarf spheroidals ●  
Transition dwarfs ◆

Morphology density relation:  
a general characteristic of  
galaxy groups

## Simple ram pressure stripping of the gas?

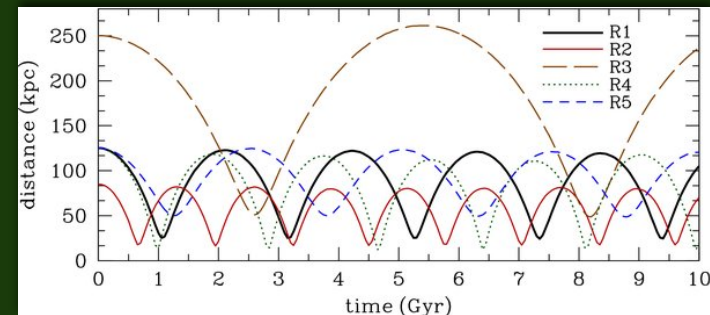
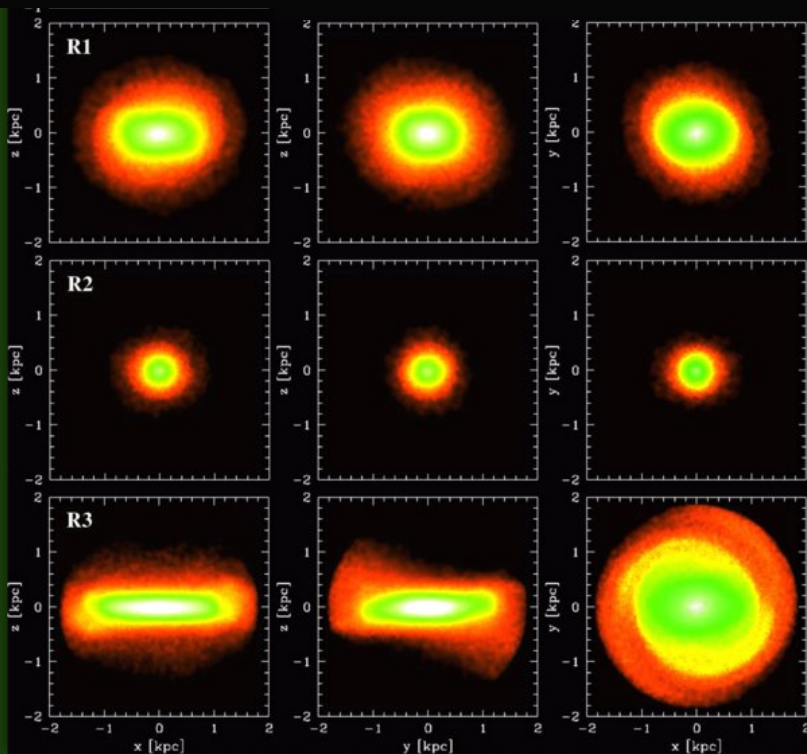
Only the gas is affected

If late-type  $\rightarrow$  early-type:  
no particularly different  
kinematics is expected for  
the stars



# Most developed model on evolutionary links among late and early-type dwarfs (Mayer+2001, 2006, Kazantzidis+2011)

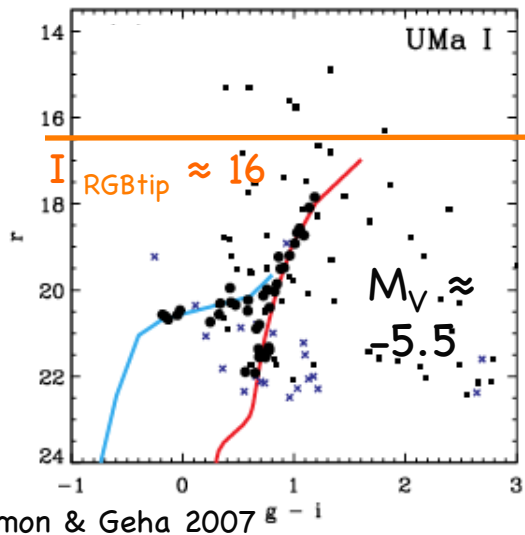
Both gas and stars are affected



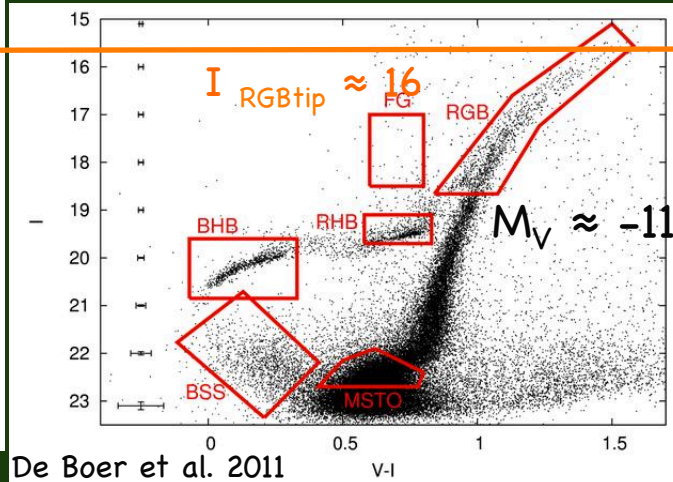
- A disk rotating dwarf galaxy (gas + stars) becomes spheroidal and non-rotating because of tidal stirring from the Milky Way.
- The gas is lost because of ram pressure stripping

# Different issues throughout the Local Group

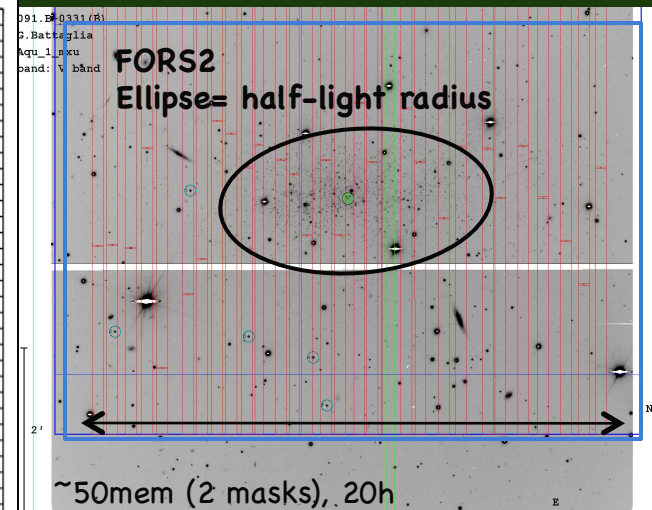
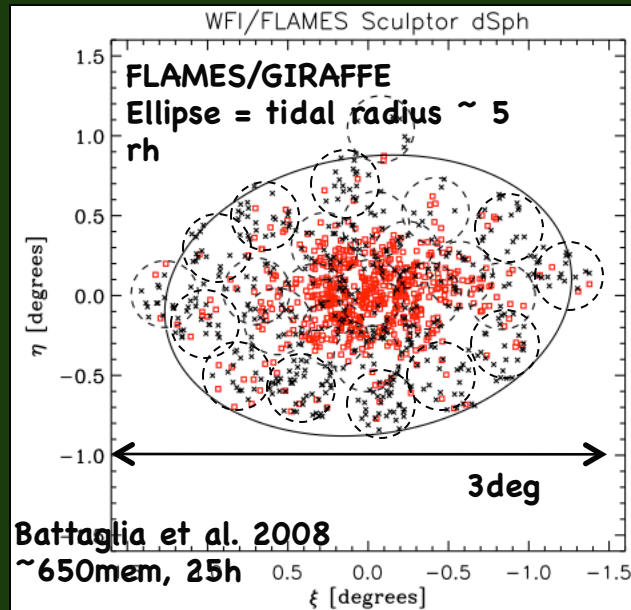
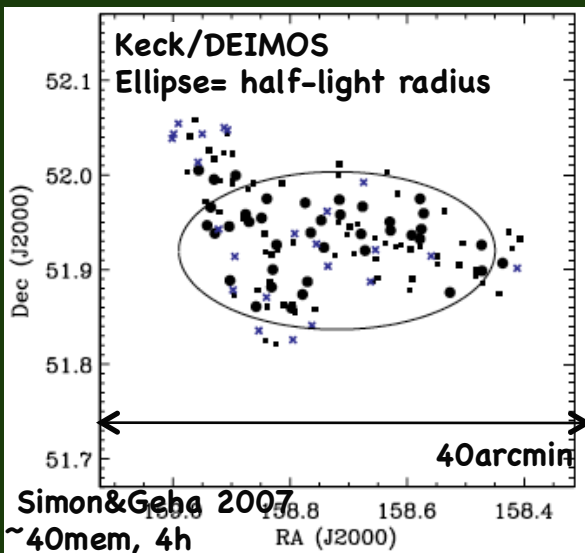
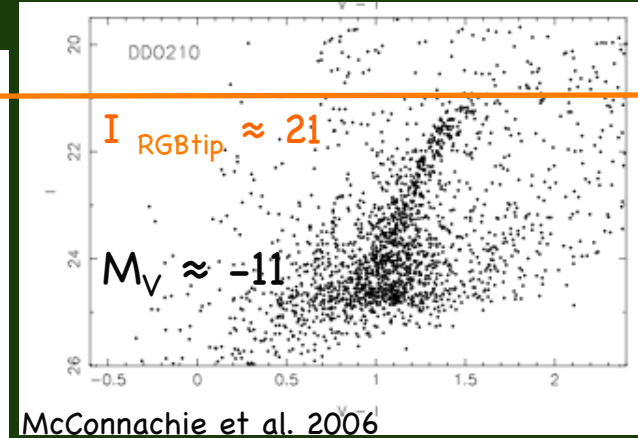
100kpc (within the MW halo)



100kpc (within the MW halo)



1 Mpc (Local Group outskirts)





# Different samples throughout the Local Group: e.g. line-of-sight velocities and [Fe/H]

## Very faint dSphs:

Predominantly within the half-light radius for

**10–100 stars** (mostly Keck/DEIMOS: Simon & Geha 2007, Martin et al. 2007, Kirby et al. 2011, Simon et al. 2011, Willman et al. 2011...)

## Bright dSphs:

over a large area for 100s/1000s **INDIVIDUAL stars** (e.g., VLT/FLAMES: Tolstoy et al. 2004, Battaglia et al. 2008, 2011; Koch et al. 2006; WHT/WYFOS: Kleya et al. 2002, 2004; Magellan/MIKE: Walker et al. 2007, 2009, Muñoz et al. 2006; Keck/DEIMOS: Koch et al. 2007, Sohn et al. 2007; MMT/Hectochelle: Mateo et al. 2008; ....)

Fornax → 2900 member stars

Sculptor → 1700 member stars

dIrrs/dTs/dSphs outside of the MW system:

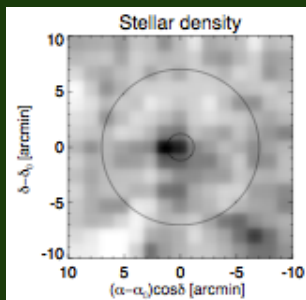
Smallest ones: reasonable spatial coverage

Large ones (e.g. *ngc6822*, *IC1613*): very restricted spatial coverage

Samples: 10s to 200 stars

(mostly Keck/DEIMOS, also FORS: Leaman et al. 2011, 2013, Kirby et al. 2012, 2013, etc.)

Exceptions: NGC147, NGC185, NGC205, AndII (several 100s stars over a wide-area, Geha et al. 2006, 2010, Ho et al. 2013)



# Velocity gradients: possible causes and issues

- Intrinsic rotation
- Tidal disruption (e.g. Oh & Lin 1995 models of tidally disrupted dwarfs) -> likely negligible for isolated Local Group dwarfs
- We see the component along the line-of-sight :  $v_{\text{los}} = v_{\text{rot}} * \sin i$



- 1) A bright late-type (isolated)
- 2) Bright early-types around M31
- 3) One “normally faint” late-type and one normally faint early-type (isolated)
- 4) “Normally faint” Milky Way early-types

# WLM dI

(Leaman et al. incl. Battaglia 2012)

- $M_V = -14.6$  (more luminous than dSphs, of the order of M31 dEs)
- Distance  $\approx 1$  Mpc
- Gas shows clear rotation (Kepley et al. 2007)
- CaT spectra gathered for 180 RGB stars with FORS and DEIMOS

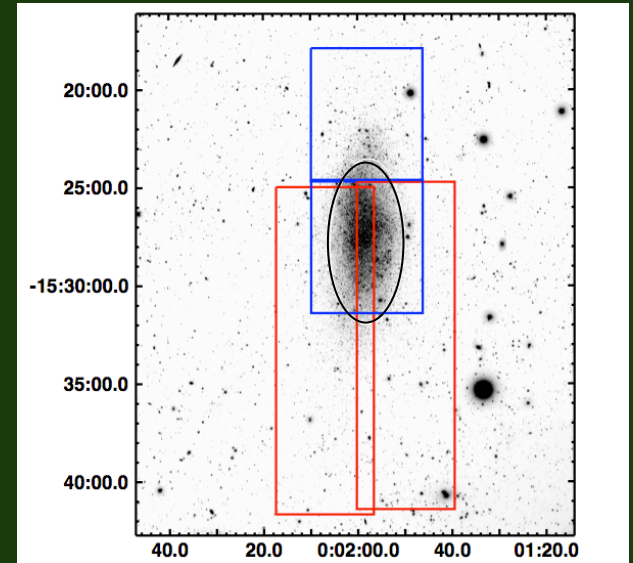


Figure from Leaman et al. 2012

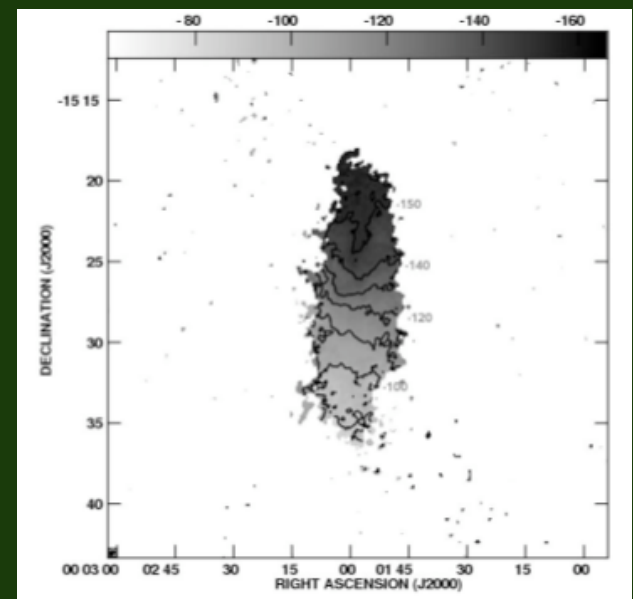
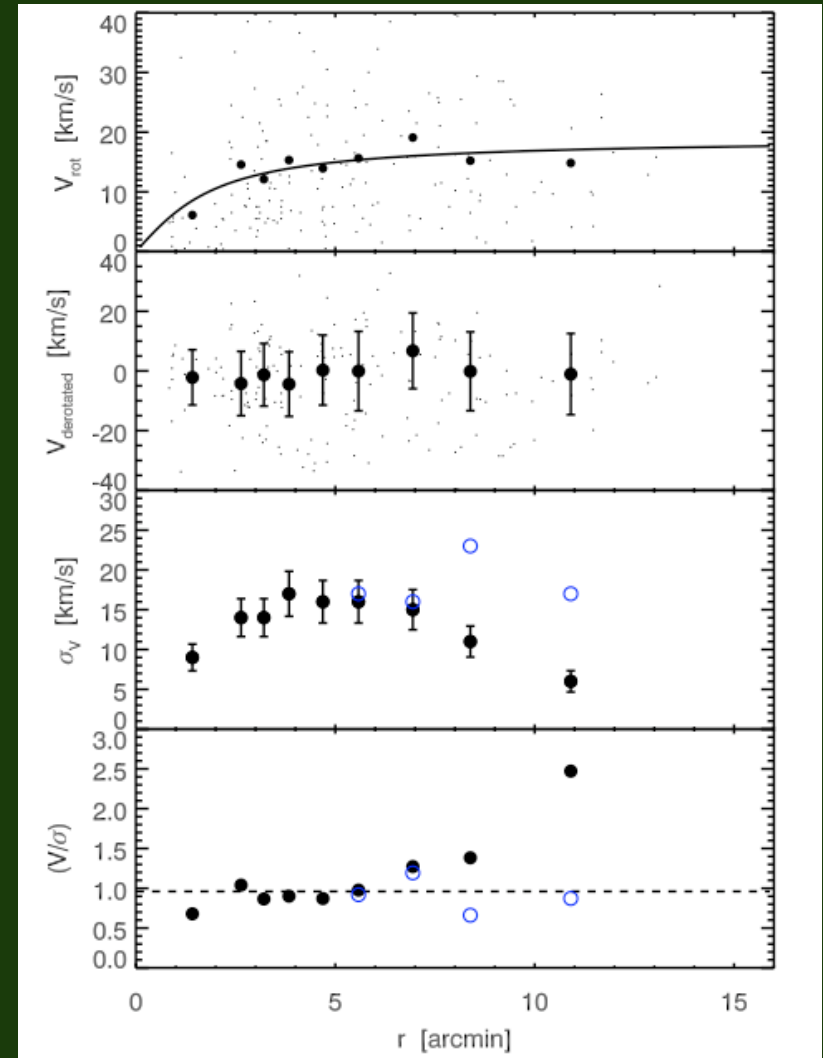
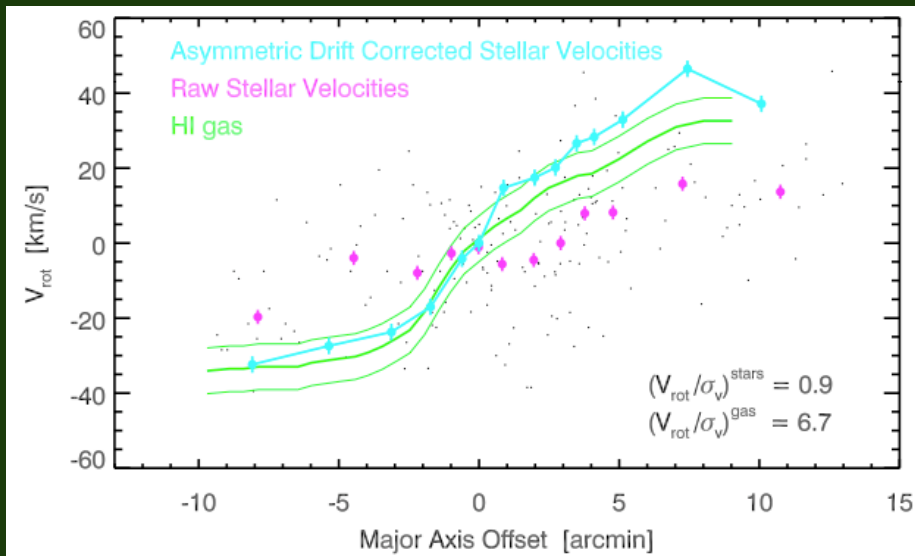


Figure from Kepley et al. 2007

Presence of rotation in the evolved stellar component  
( $v/\sigma^*$  is up to 2.5)

At face value the rotation in the HI gas and stars differ (max  $v/\sigma^* = 2.5$ , max  $v/\sigma_{\text{HI}} = 6 \rightarrow$  one needs to correct for the asymmetric drift)



## Dwarf ellipticals around M31

NGC147, NGC185 ( $M_V = -15.5$ ), NGC205 ( $-16.6$ );

They kept forming stars until very recently.

more luminous than dSphs and similar  $L$  to the WLM dIrr

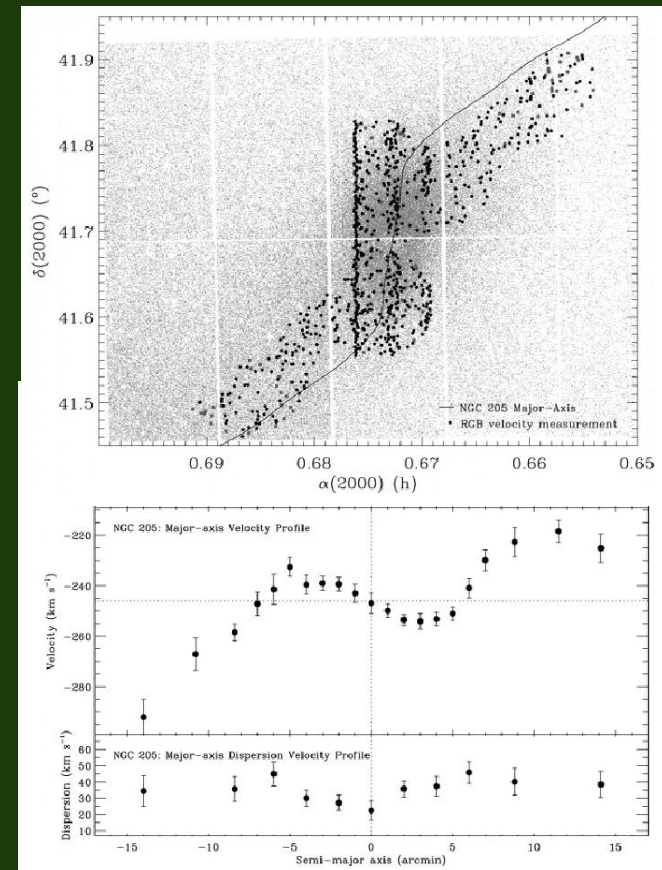
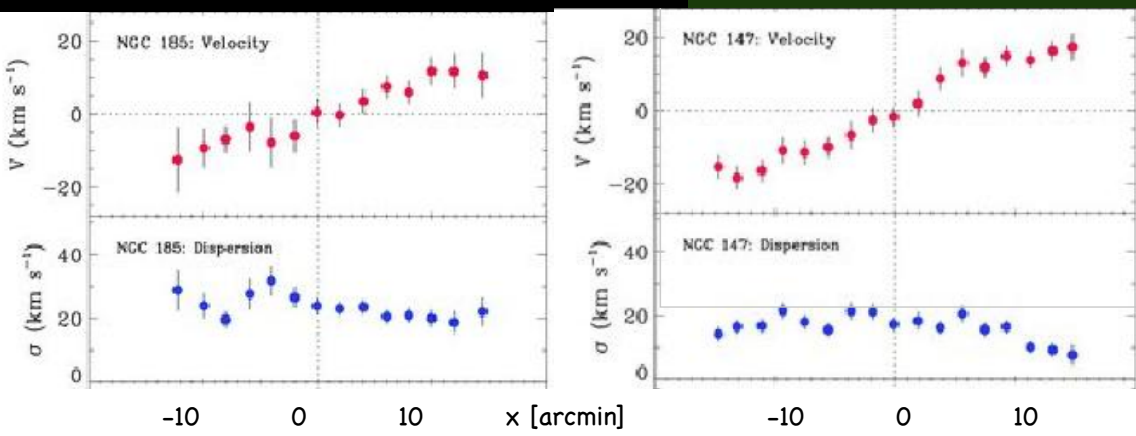
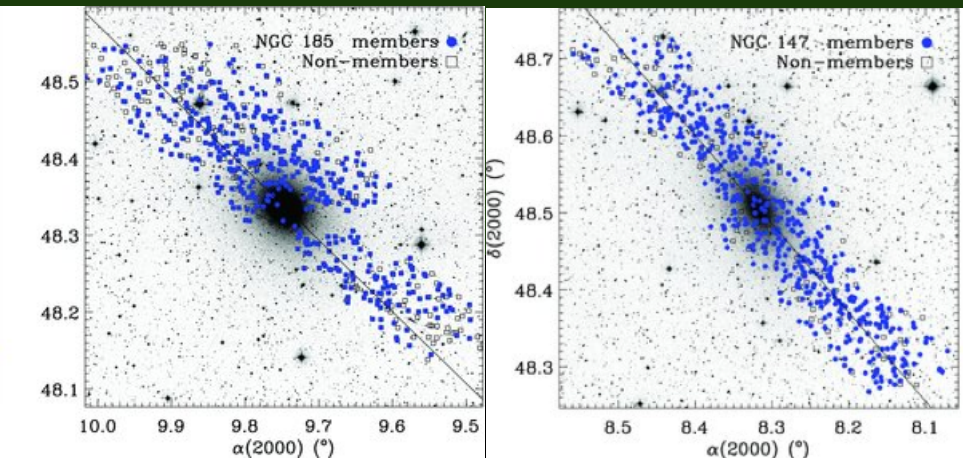
# NGC 147, NGC 185, NGC205 (from Geha et al. 2006, 2010; spectra for a few hundreds RGB stars till 8 effective radii)

- $v/\sigma$  increases with radius, to  $v/\sigma = 0.5$  (NGC185) &  $=2$  (NGC147)

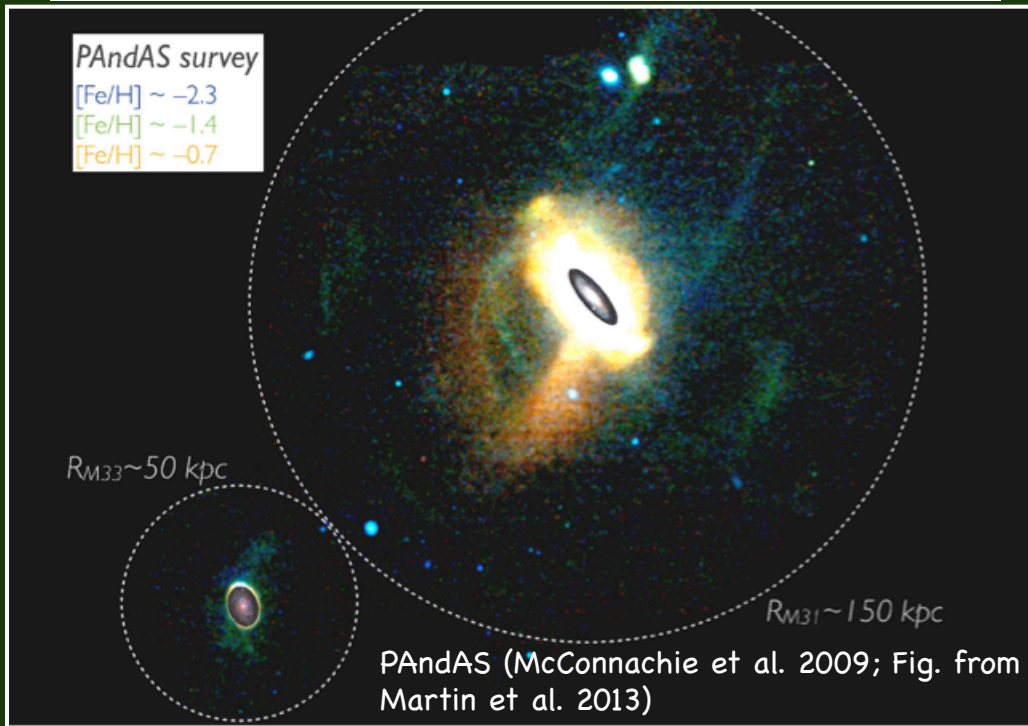
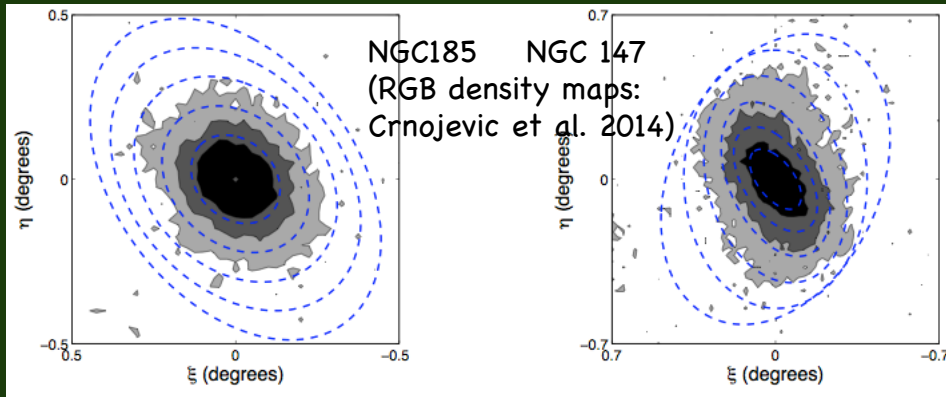
-Very similar L and distance to M31

-NGC185 ellipticity = 0.15 (almost “face-on”?)

-NGC205: Velocity gradient with turn-around



# Two of them present clear signs of tidal disturbance



NGC205



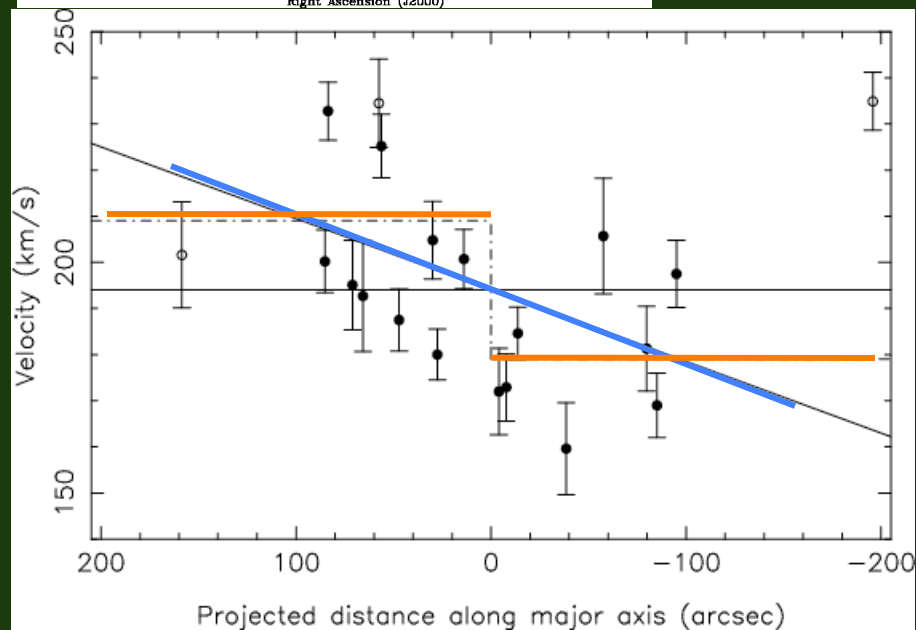
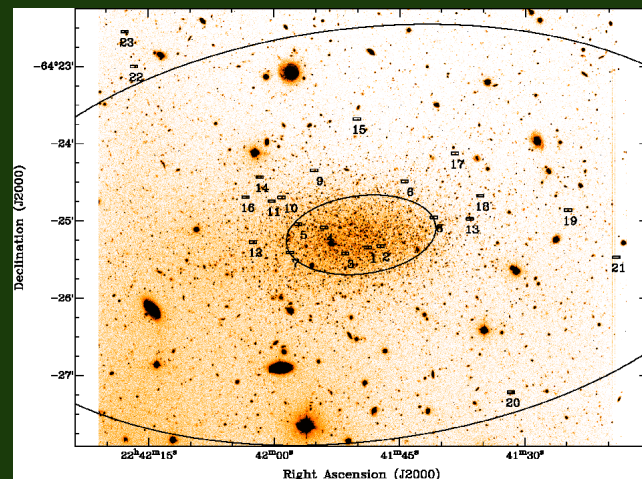
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A “normally faint” dSph and dT (isolated)

(far from both Milky Way and M31; tidal effects  
should be negligible)

**Tucana dSph** ( $M_V = -9.5$ ;  
 $v/\sigma \approx 1$ )



**17 members observed with FORS2**  
(Fraternali et al. 2009)

**Pegasus dT** ( $M_V = -12.2$ ;  
 $v/\sigma \approx 1-2$ )

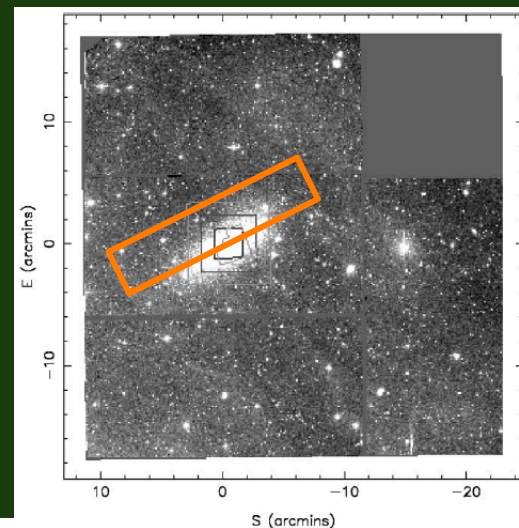
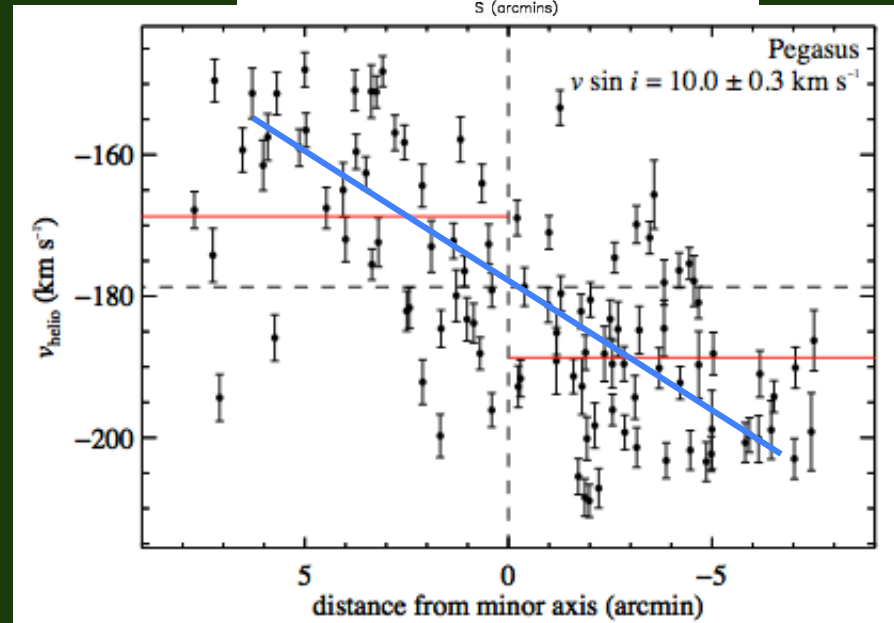


Fig. in McConnachie et al 2007



**100 members observed with Keck/DEIMOS**  
(Kirby et al. 2014)

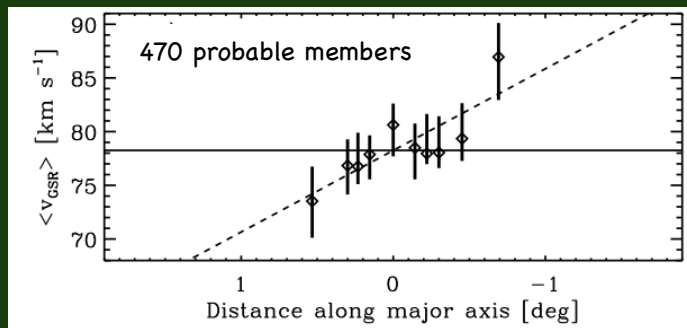
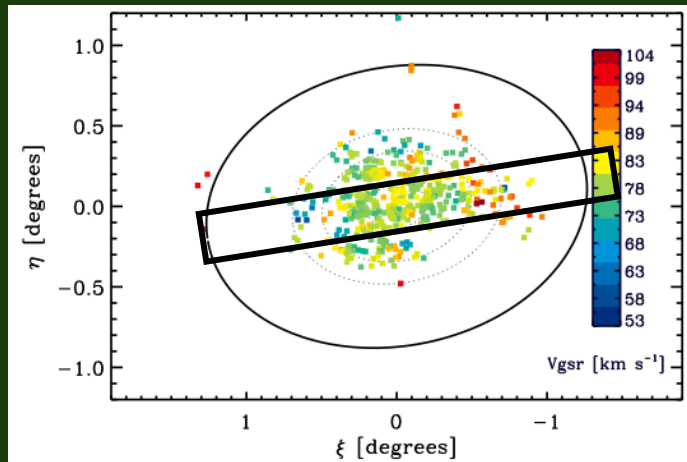
## Milky Way dSphs

(they may be subject to tidal disturbance; only clear case of tidal disturbance seems to be the Carina dSph, e.g. Majewski et al. 2000, Muñoz et al. 2006, Battaglia et al. 2012, McMonigal et al. 2014)

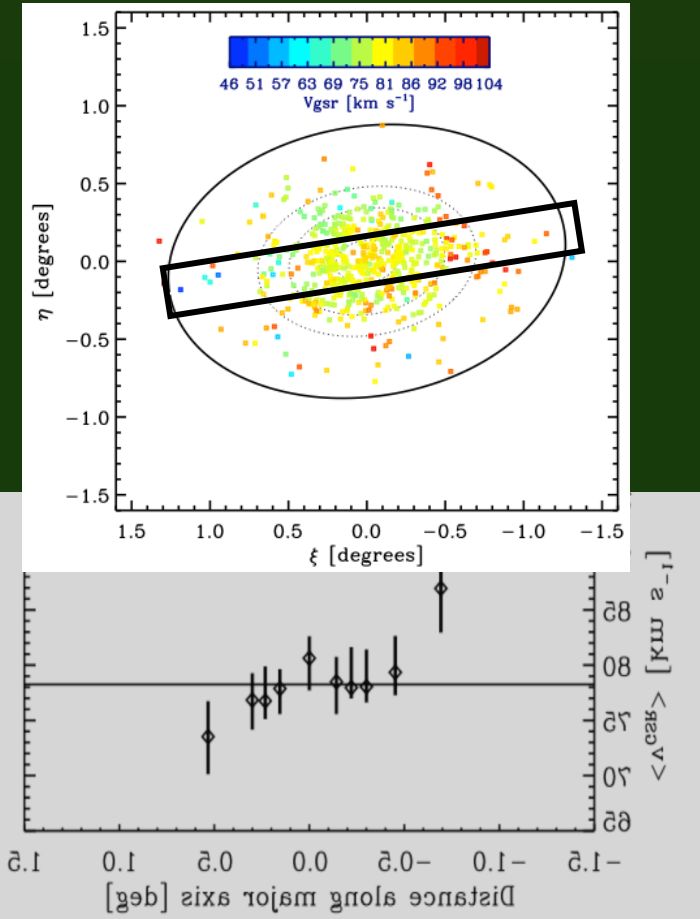
# Sculptor

Velocity gradient of  $7.6^{+3.3}_{-2.2}$  km/s/deg along the projected major axis.

$V/\sigma \approx 0.6$



Velocities are corrected for the Local Standard of Rest and Sun motions



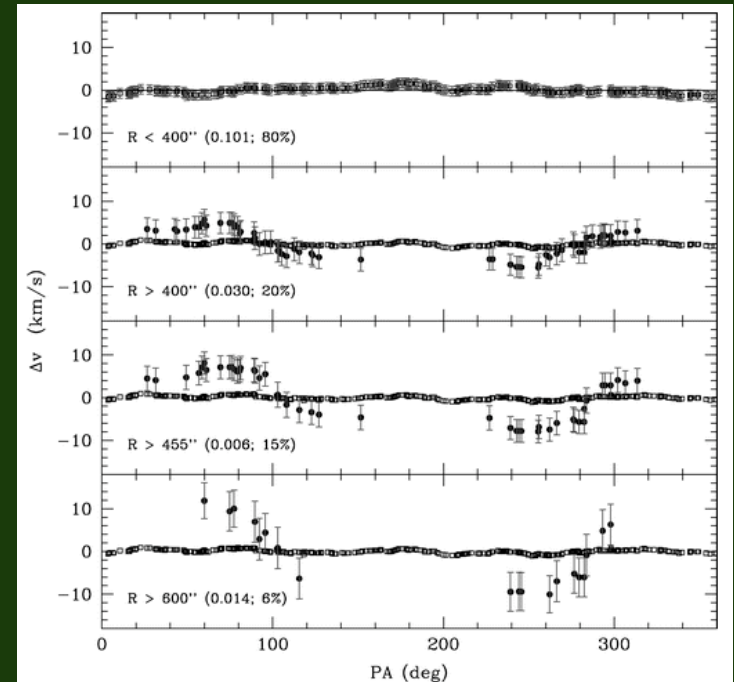
Battaglia et al. 2008, ApJL, 681, 13

- Gradient still present when adding 150 members in the outer parts
- Confirmed by other studies (Walker et al. 2009,; Breddels et al. 2012)

# Presence of velocity gradients in other MW dSphs

- $6.3 \pm 0.2$  and  $2.5 \pm 0.8$  km/s/deg in Fornax and Carina (Walker et al. 2009)
- No measurements from wide-area surveys for Draco and Ursa Minor yet
- Not statistically significant in LeoII (Koch et al. 2007a), still uncertain for Sextans (Walker et al. 2009, Battaglia et al. 2011)
- Highly significant in LeoI when considering *\*only\** the outer parts (Mateo, Olszewski, Walker 2008)

## LeoI



Mateo, Olszewski, Walker 2008

## Perspective effect

Effect due to the large extent of the sky of the object + the projection of the 3D motion along the line-of-sight;

it could be fully quantified when having accurate systemic proper motions

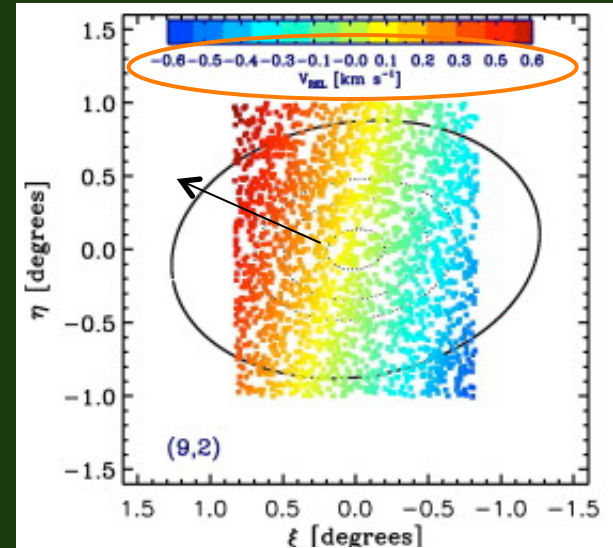
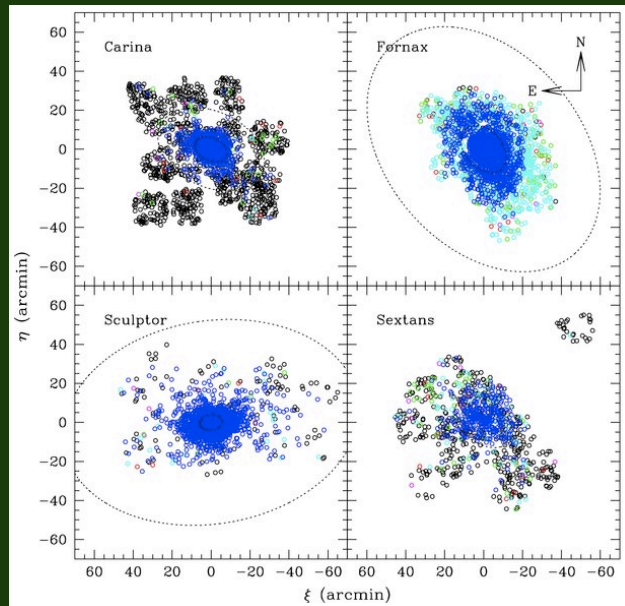


Fig. from Battaglia, Helmi, Breddels 2013, NARev; prop motion Piatek et al. 2006



# Vel gradients due to transverse motion of the dSph onto the line-of-sight?



Walker et  
al. 2009

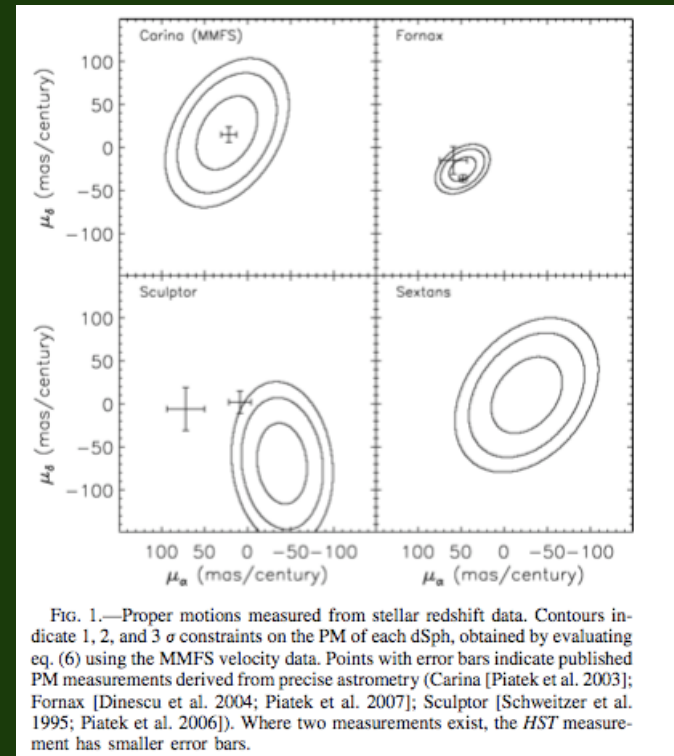


FIG. 1.—Proper motions measured from stellar redshift data. Contours indicate 1, 2, and 3  $\sigma$  constraints on the PM of each dSph, obtained by evaluating eq. (6) using the MMFS velocity data. Points with error bars indicate published PM measurements derived from precise astrometry (Carina [Piatek et al. 2003]; Fornax [Dinescu et al. 2004; Piatek et al. 2007]; Sculptor [Schweitzer et al. 1995; Piatek et al. 2006]). Where two measurements exist, the *HST* measurement has smaller error bars.

- Gradient in Sculptor cannot be explained by proper motion alone (Walker et al. 2009; Breddels et al. 2012), in Carina and Fornax yes (Walker et al. 2009)
- Outer parts of Fornax, Sextans still to be explored
- Determination in Carina seems to contrast with much larger value by Muñoz et al. (2006)

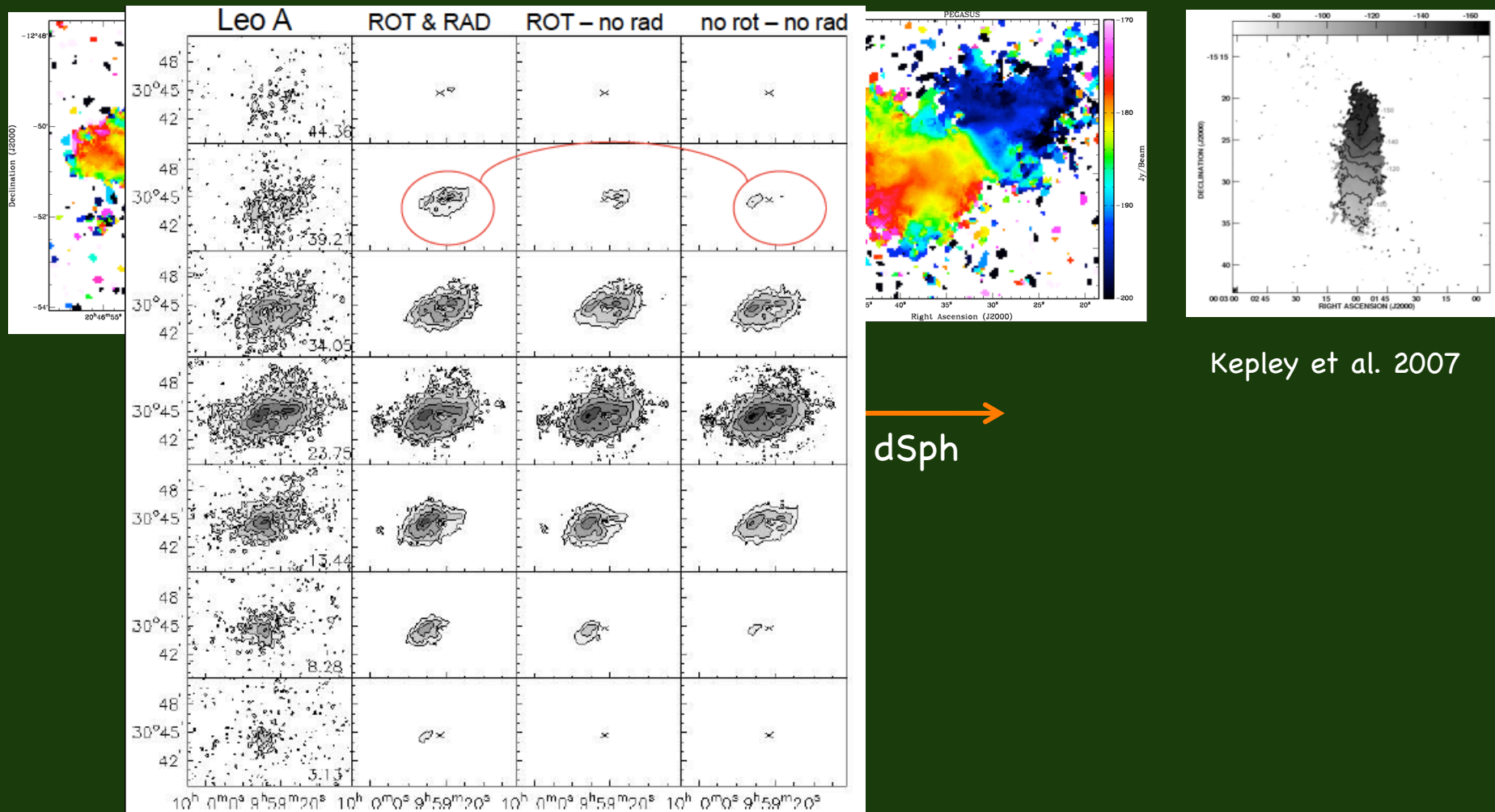
# The HI gas (images not on scale)

Aquarius dT:  $M_V = -10.6$ ;  
 $v_{\text{rot}} \sim 6 \text{ km/s}$

Sagittarius dIrr:  $M_V = -11.5$ ;  $v_{\text{rot}} \sim ??$

Pegasus dT:  $M_V = -12.2$ ;  $v_{\text{rot}} \sim 10 \text{ km/s}$

WLM dIrr:  $M_V = -14.2$ ;  $v_{\text{rot}} \sim 30 \text{ km/s}$



Kepley et al. 2007

LeoA dIrr;  $M_V = -12$ ;  $v_{\text{rot}} \approx 3.5 \text{ km/s}$  (Robin-Gopala, master thesis)

- We are only beginning to explore the internal kinematic properties of evolved stars in LG dIrrs, dTs and isolated dS

For similarly luminous systems, the amount of rotational vs “pressure” support seems comparable (and increases with luminosity), no matter if we look at early or late-types.

- The rotation (not the

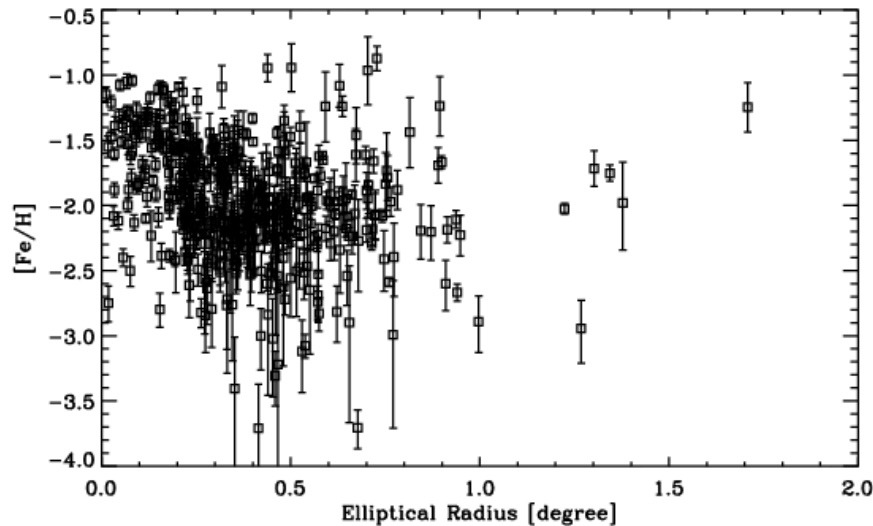
Perhaps simple ram-pressure stripping of the gas would suffice in transforming a late- into an early-type dwarf

- We still lack a detailed quantification of the  $v/\sigma$  in MW dSphs
- Systemic proper motions for MW dSphs from Gaia will allow us to define the  $v_{los}$  gradient due to the 3D motion of the system
- (We need an efficient pre-selection of likely RGB stars in the outer parts of MW dSphs)

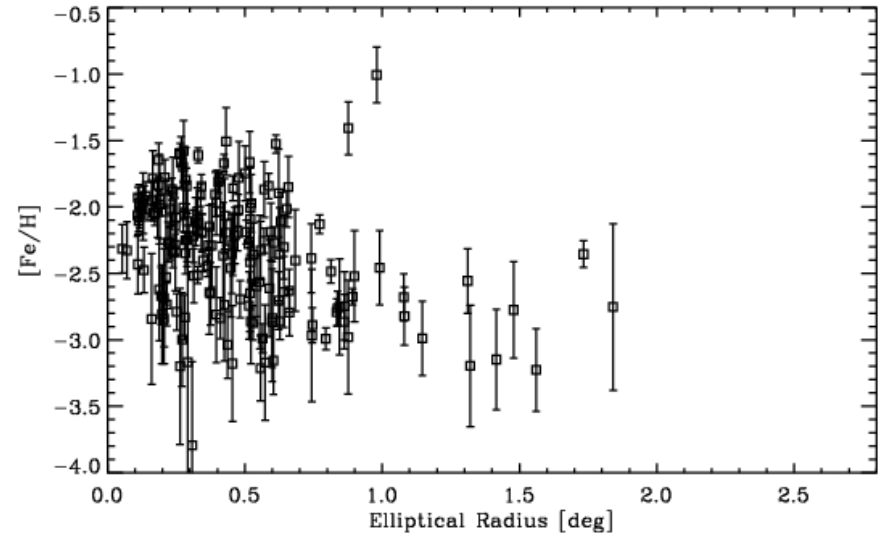
Links between internal kinematics and  
metallicity properties

# Spatial variations of metallicity properties in MW dSphs from SPECTROSCOPY of RGB stars

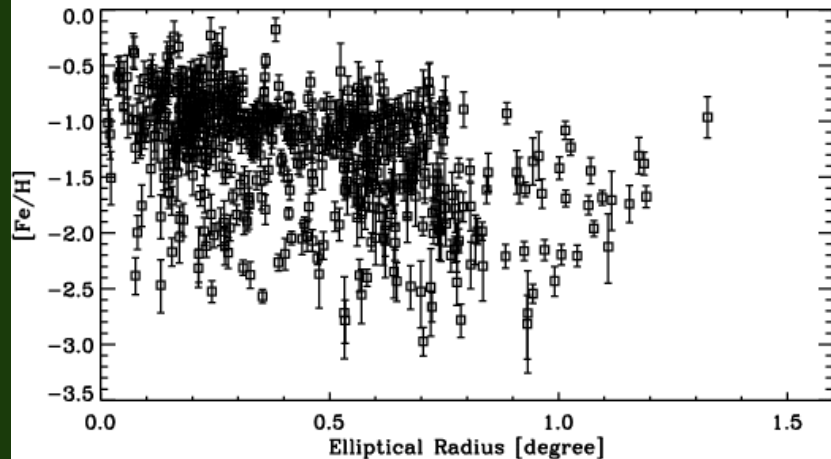
Sculptor (Tolstoy et al. 2004)



Sextans (Battaglia et al. 2011)



Fornax (Battaglia et al. 2006)



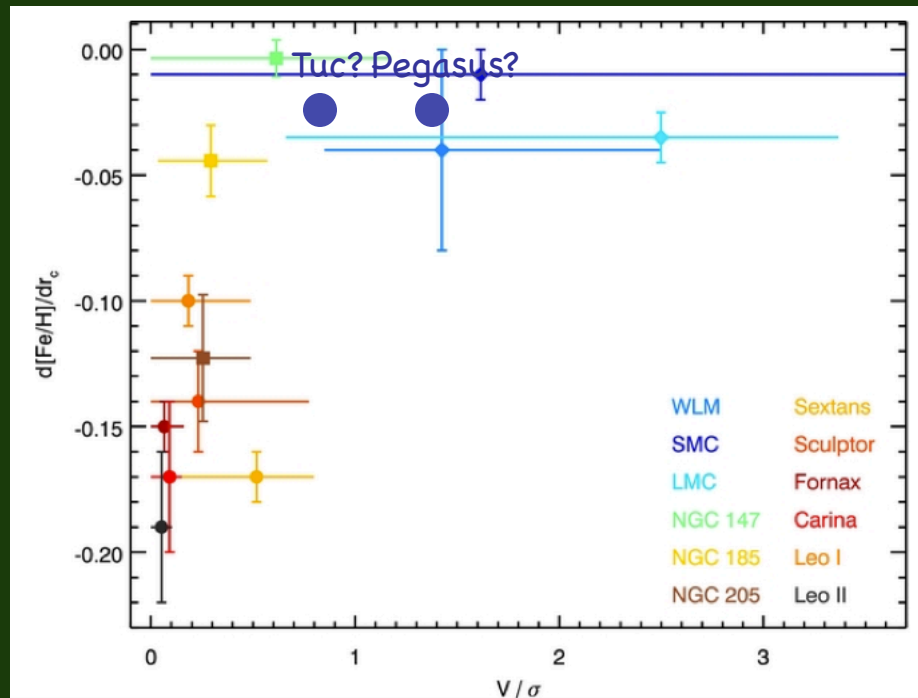
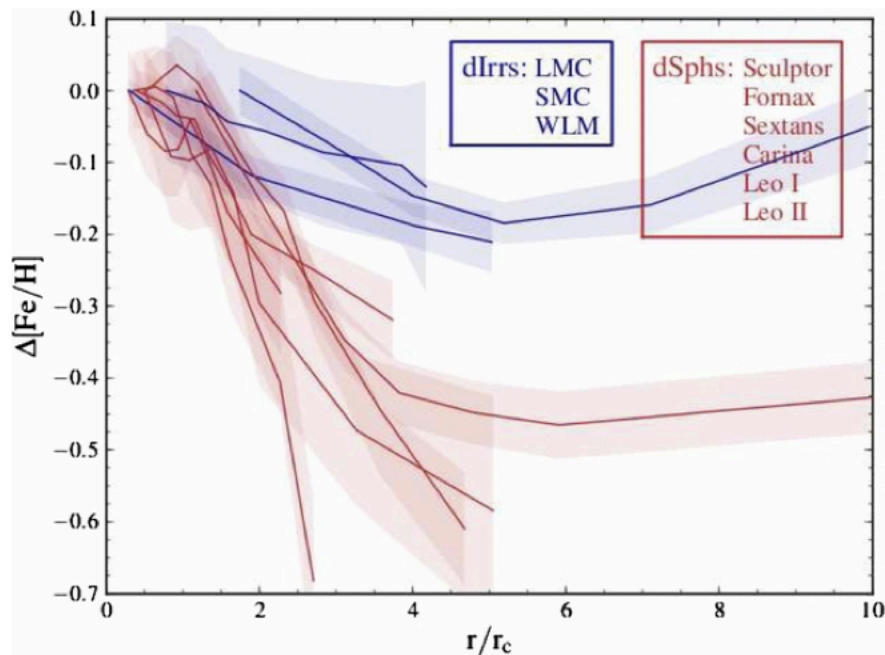
(see also e.g. Koch et al. 2006; Faria et al. 2007; Gullieuszik et al. 2009; Kirby et al. 2011)

$[Fe/H]$  from CaT lines calculated using the calibration from Starkenburg et al. 2010

Similar information is not yet in the literature for the great majority of dTs and dIrrs

# A “centrifugal barrier” mechanism?

There are indications for a relation between  $v/\sigma$  and steepness of the metallicity gradient (Leaman et al. 2012)





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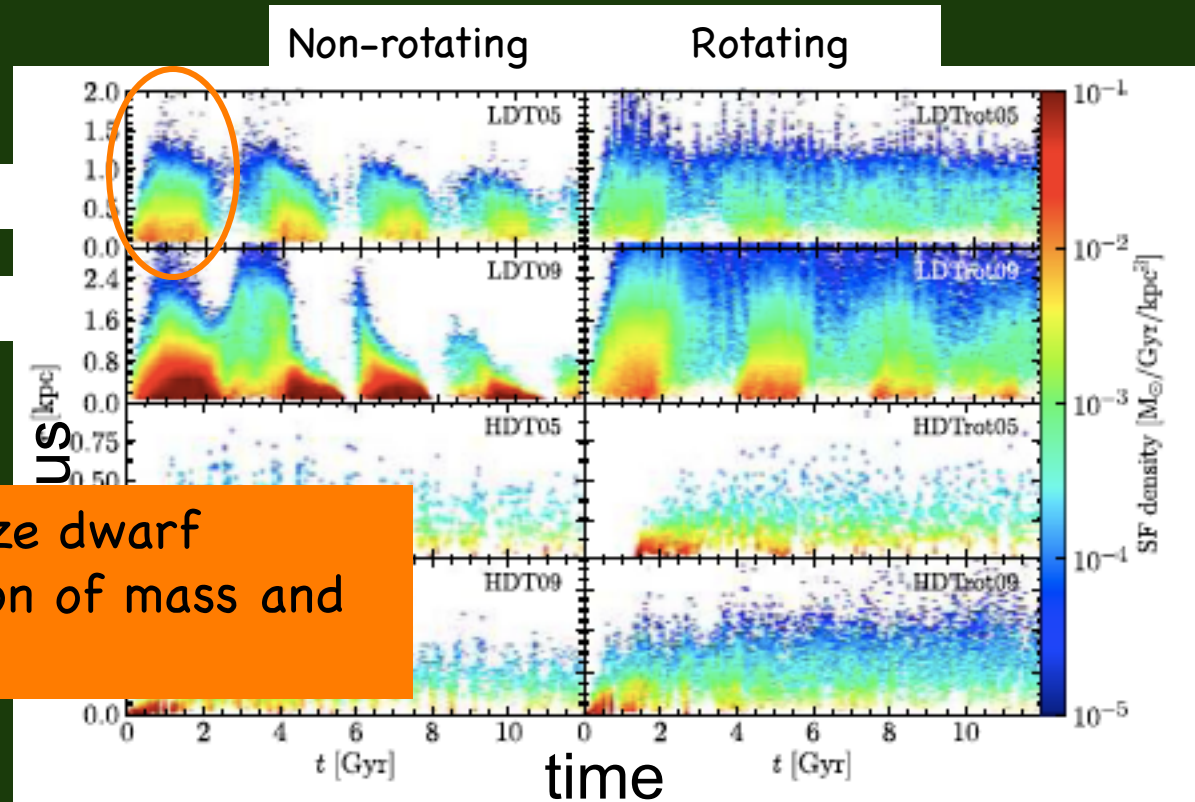
Simulations show that the main parameters driving the gradients are:

- (Total) Mass : the larger the stronger the gradient
  - Angular momentum: the lower, the stronger the gradient
- (e.g. Schroyen et al 2011, 2013), in agreement with findings outside of the Local Group (e.g. Koleva et al. 2011)

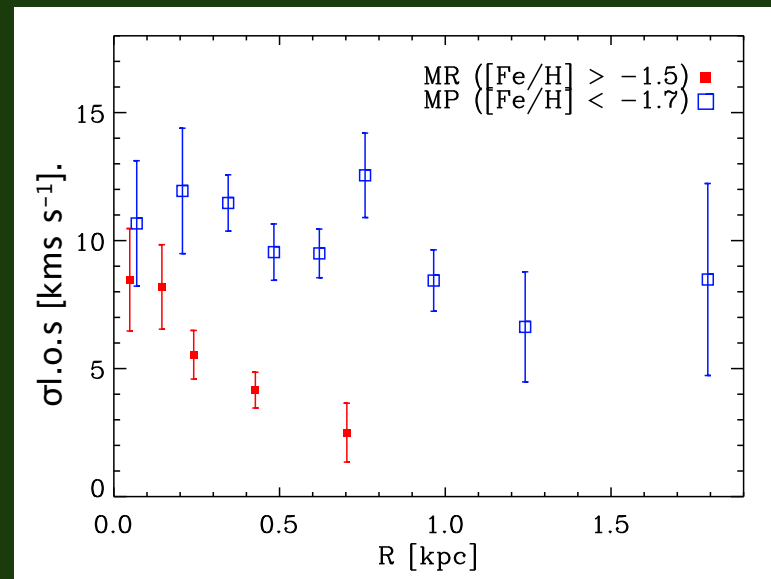
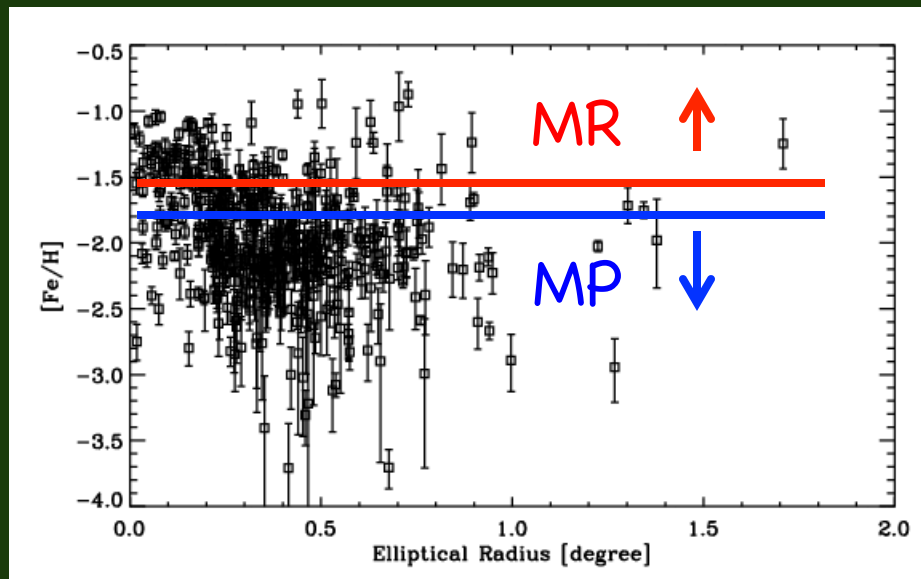
Less massive ( $M_{\text{dm}} \sim 5 \times 10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$ )

More massive ( $M_{\text{dm}} \sim 3 \times 10^9 M_{\text{sun}}$ )

Interesting to analyze dwarf galaxies as a function of mass and angular momentum



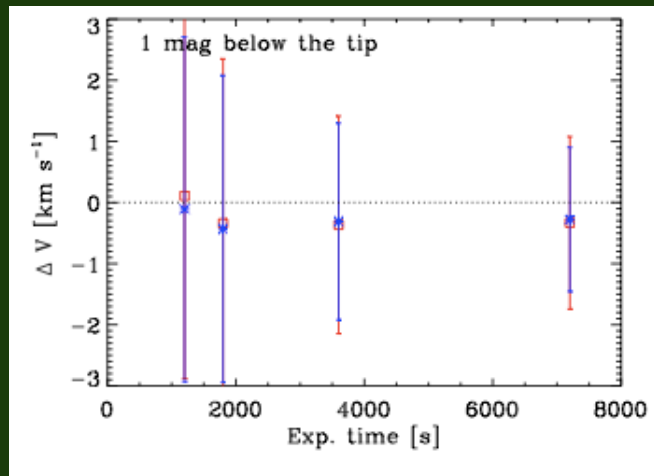
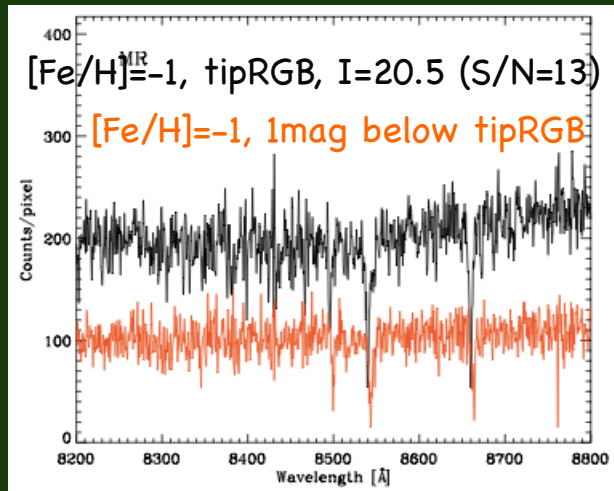
# “Chemo-dynamical” stellar components found in the MW dSphs Sculptor, Fornax, Sextans (Tolstoy et al. 2004, Battaglia et al. 2006, 2008, 2011) and Draco (Walker, talk at the workshop “Satellite galaxies and dwarfs in the Local Group”, 2014)



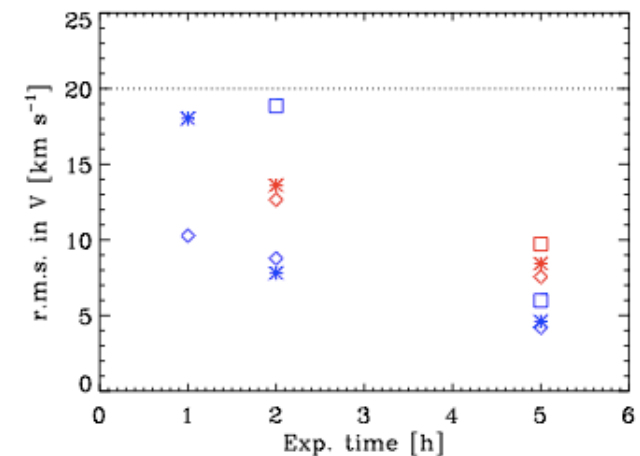
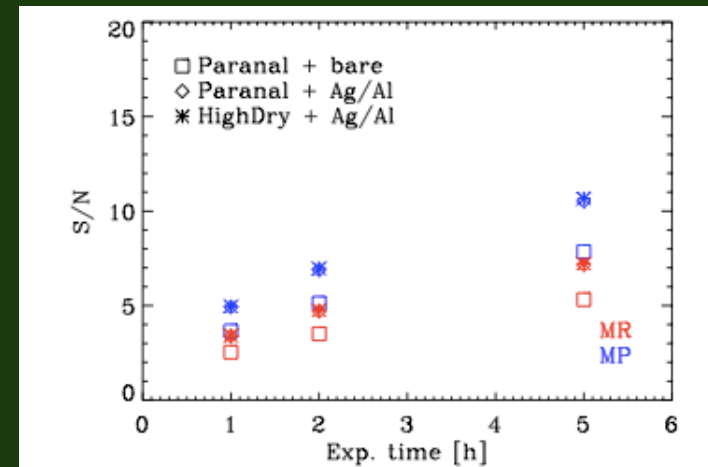
- Useful to place constraints on the slope of the dark matter halo density profile (e.g. Battaglia et al. 2008, Walker & Peñarrubia 2011, Amorisco & Evans 2012, Agnello and Evans 2012)
- Further observational constraint for models of the evolution of MW dSphs
- If this is a general characteristics of dwarf galaxies, what effect does it have on measurements from integrated light spectroscopy? (in most cases the populations are both very old,  $> 8$  Gyr)

Expected performance with first light E-ELT spectrograph (HARMONI-like) – simulations by G.Battaglia within the E-ELT Design Reference Mission (plots consider 1 spaxial pixel, 50masx50mas; LTAO; R=6500; D= 42m; target overlaid onto the galaxy background) (see talk by N.Thatte)

20min; target at 800kpc



target at 4Mpc; I=23.8/24



# Dwarfs & E-ELT spectrographs (e.g. E-ELT IFU & MOSAIC): within the Local Group



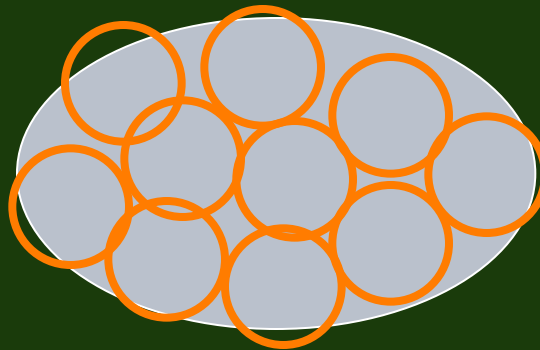
MOSAIC (fov rad =  $3.5'$ )

HARMONI (max fov  $10'' \times 5''$ )

Placed at 100kpc

Placed at 1Mpc

UFD Bootes-like  
( $r_h = 100\text{pc}$ )

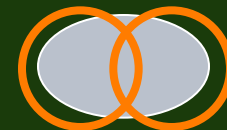


$r = 5$   $r_h = 15'$



$r = 5$   $r_h = 1.5'$

dSph Sculptor-like  
( $r_h = 300\text{pc}$ )



$r = 5$   $r_h = 5'$

# Dwarfs & E-ELT spectrographs (e.g. E-ELT IFU & MOSAIC): within the Local Group



MOSAIC (fov rad =  $3.5'$ )

HARMONI (max fov  $10'' \times 5''$ )

Placed at 2Mpc

Placed at 4Mpc

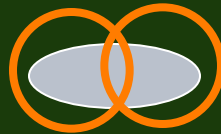
dSph Sculptor-like  
( $r_h = 300\text{pc}$ )



$r = 5 r_h = 2.5'$

MOSAIC SUITED FOR A  
WIDE-AREA VIEW

dE NGC205-like  
( $r_h = 600\text{pc}$ )

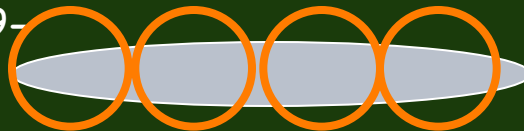


$r = 5 r_h = 5'$

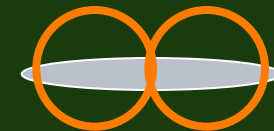


$r = 5 r_h = 2.5'$

Small spiral NGC3109-  
like  
( $r_h = 1600\text{pc}$ )



$r = 5 r_h = 15'$



$r = 5 r_h = 7.5'$

# Outlook

- UFDs around the MW: E-ELT/MOSAIC
- Outer parts of MW dSphs → WHT/WEAVE & VISTA/4MOST (accurate systemic proper motions are crucial)
- M31 system of dwarfs & isolated LG dwarfs: VLT/MOONS, CFHT/MSE, E-ELT/MOSAIC (fiber spectrographs allow flexibility in target allocation)
- Beyond the Local Group: E-ELT/HARMONI (central parts), E-ELT/MOSAIC (wide-area view)

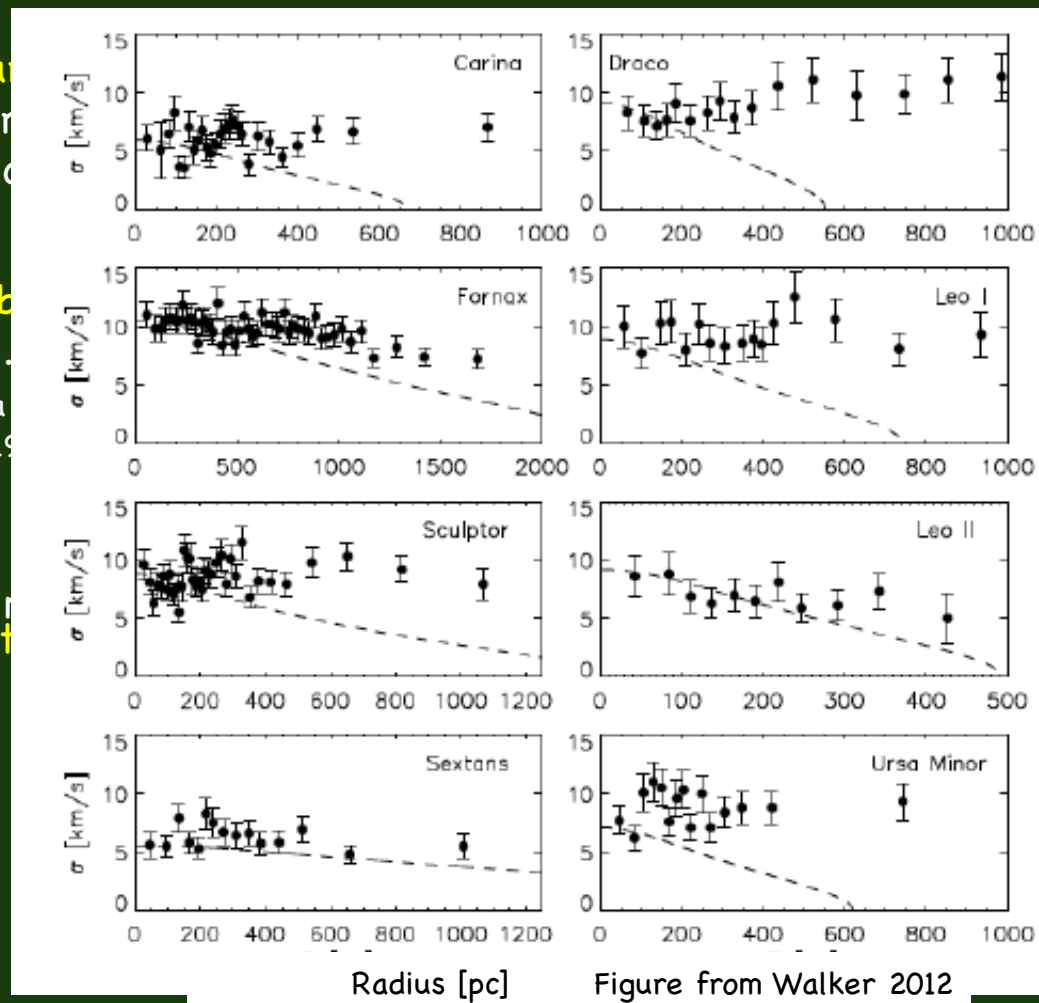
# In the hypothesis of dynamical equilibrium: Extended dark matter halos

- Aaronson et al. (1983): 3 carbon stars in Draco dSph  $\rightarrow$  M/L about one order of magnitude larger than for globular clusters

- Samples of 10s (including red giant branch stars) yielding the central value of local velocity dispersion (e.g. Armandroff & Da Costa 1987; Aaronson & Olszewski 1987; Hargreaves et al. 1991)

$\rightarrow$  Mass-follows-light isotropic King model assumed; no info on INNER dark matter density PROFILE)

**Glossary: Mass-follows-light**  
when the mass distribution is proportional to the light distribution (i.e. dynamical M/L constant with radius)



First  $\sigma$  l.o.s “profile” from Mateo et al. 1991 (30 stars at two locations in Fornax)



# One-(stellar) component Jeans modeling

key observable is the l.o.s. velocity dispersion (profile)

Assumptions: system is spherical and in equilibrium

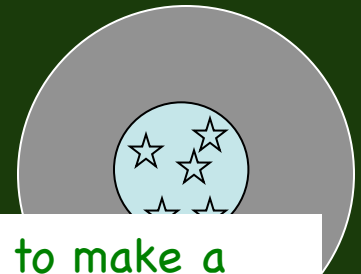
The observed l.o.s. velocity dispersion profile is compared from different DM models

Using the Jeans equation  $\sigma_{\text{l.o.s.}, \text{PREDICTED}}(R) = f(\Sigma_*, \beta_*, M)$ , where

$\Sigma_*(R)$  = spatial distribution of tracer population  $\rightarrow$  observable

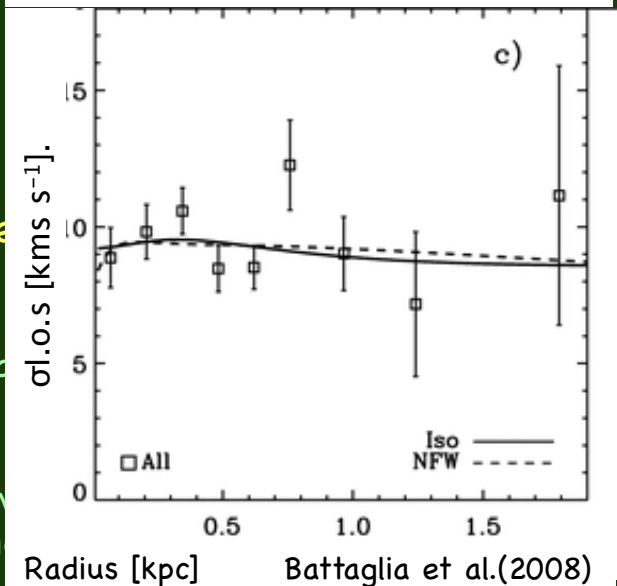
$\beta_*(r)$  = orbital anisotropy of tracer population  $\rightarrow$  not observable  
(one needs to make assumptions  $\rightarrow$  mass – anisotropy degeneracy)

$M(r)$  = total mass distribution (for dSphs the luminous matter is negligible)



Not possible to make a distinction:

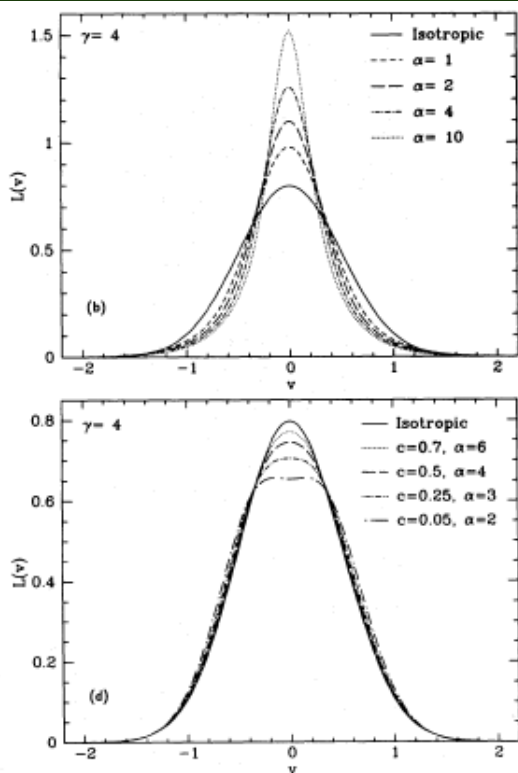
- $R_{\text{core}} = 0.5 \text{ kpc}$ ,  $\beta$  from 0 to slightly radial
- NFW (cusp)  $c=35$ , slightly tangential  $\beta$



Dynamical  $M/L$ s of 100s  $(M/L)_{V, \text{sun}}$  within a couple of kpc (e.g. Kleyna et al. 2001; Wilkison et al. 2004; Koch et al. 2007; Walker et al. 2007; Battaglia et al. 2008...)

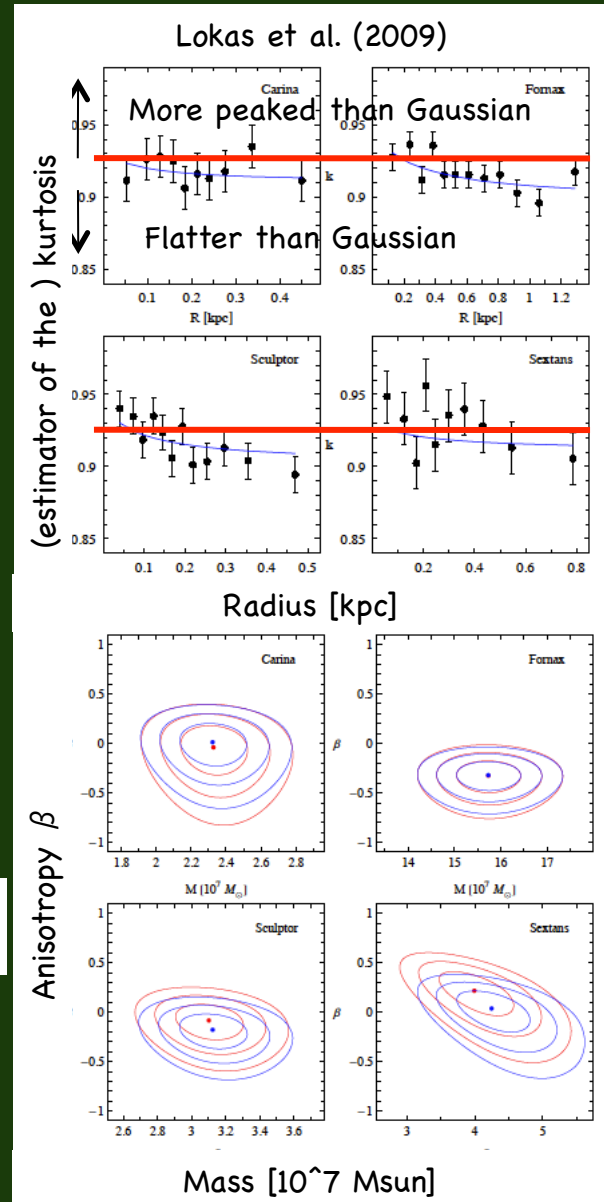
# Information from the 4<sup>th</sup> moment of the LOSVD

- Details depend on the gravitational potential and the stars' distribution function
- Outer parts are where the information on the anisotropy can be better recovered
- Tangential anisotropy -> flat-topped
- Radial anisotropy -> more peaked than Gaussian
- > Information encoded in the 4<sup>th</sup> moment of the LOSVD

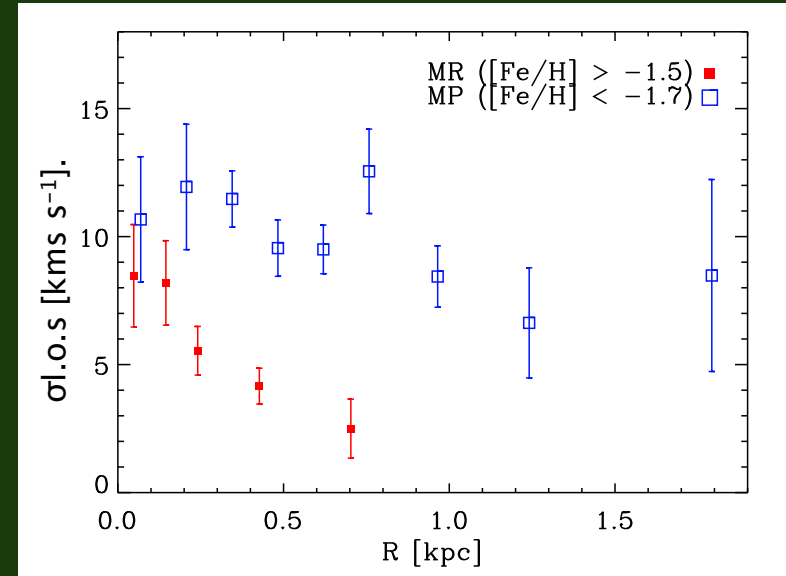
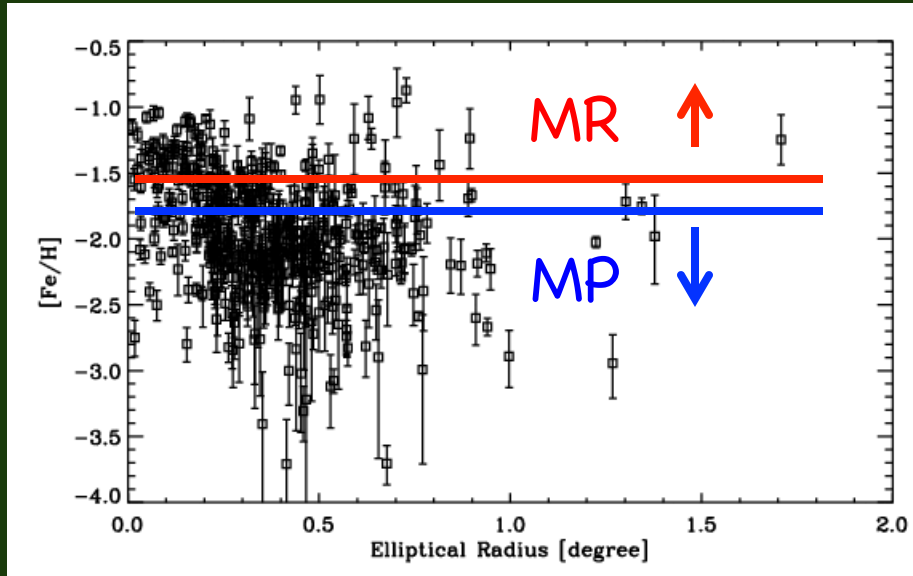


The velocity anisotropy of dSph stars  
Is neither strongly radial nor strongly tangential  
(e.g. Lokas et al. 2005, 2009; Breddels et al. 2012; Breddels & Helmi 2012; 2013; Amorisco & Evans 2012)

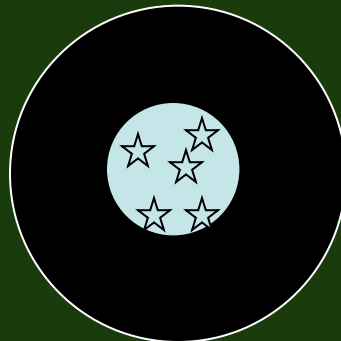
Fit to  $\sigma$  l.o.s.  
Fit to  $\sigma$  l.o.s. + kurtosis



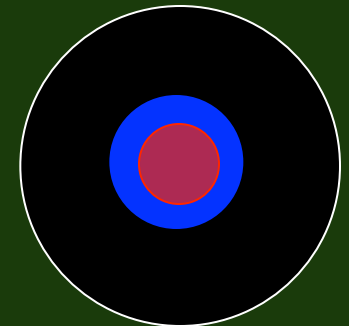
# Using the metallicity information: the “chemo-dynamical” stellar components found in Sculptor, Fornax & Sextans (Tolstoy et al. 2004, Battaglia et al. 2006, 2008, 2011)



DM +  
One (stellar)  
component



DM +  
two (stellar)  
components



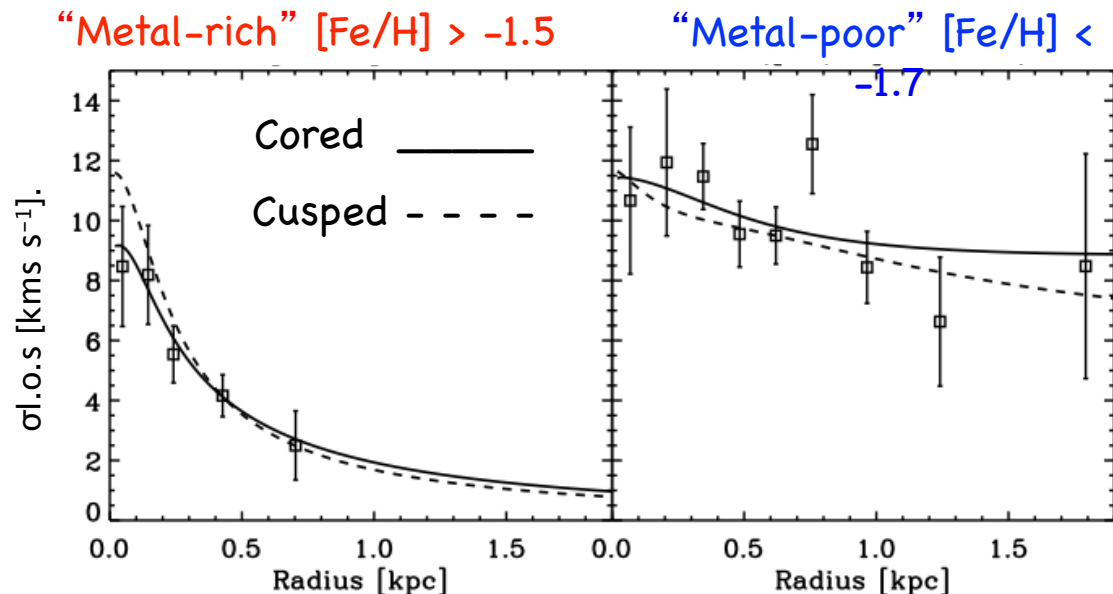
# (partially) relieving the mass-anisotropy degeneracy

-Models with constant anisotropy for MR and MP stars do not fit well the data

-Kinematics of multiple stellar components prefer a cored profile to a cuspy one (Battaglia et al. 2008)

-  $M/L = 160 (M/L)_{V,\text{sun}}$  within 1.8 kpc

## Line-of-sight velocity dispersion profiles:



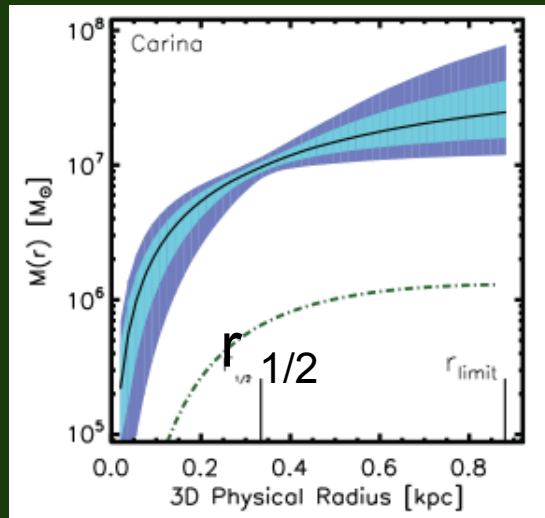
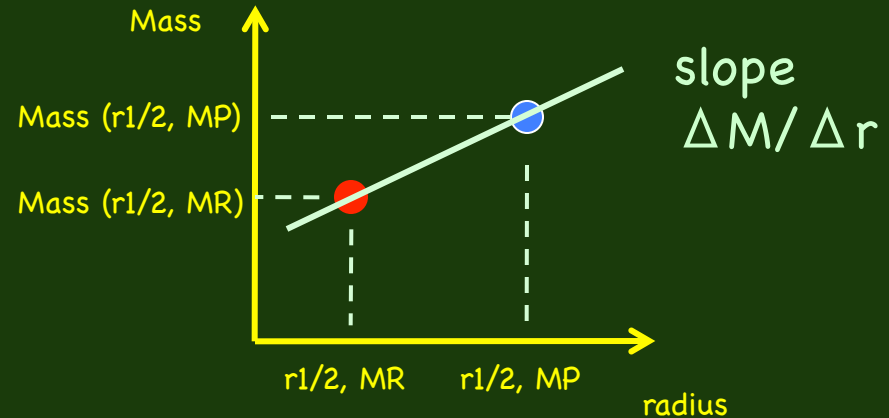
# Robust mass estimates within $r_{1/2}$ (Wolf et al. 2010, see also Strigari et al. 2008; Walker et al. 2009) and multiple components (Walker & Peñarrubia 2011; see also Amorisco & Evans 2012; Agnello & Evans 2013)

$$M(r_{-3}) = 3 G^{-1} \langle \sigma_{l.o.s}^2 \rangle r_{-3} \quad \& \quad r_{-3} \equiv r_{1/2}$$

(Wolf et al. 2010)

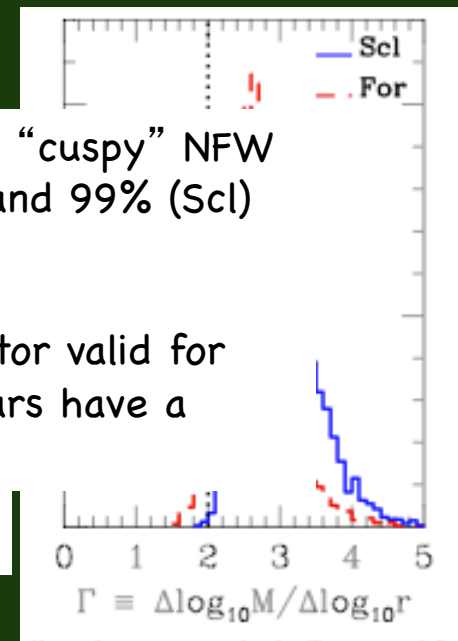
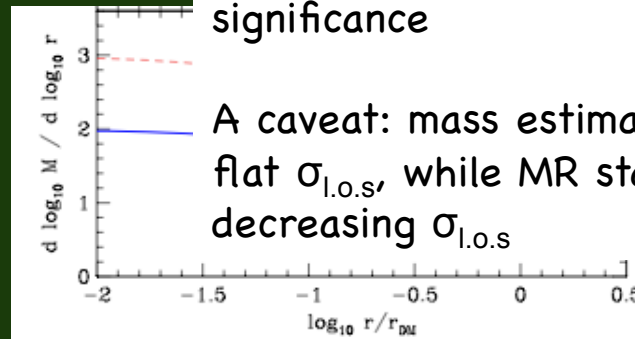
Very useful for  
ultra-faint dwarfs

For a spherical system in dynamical equilibrium, there exists one radius where  $M(r)$  is insensitive to the anisotropy



This analysis rules out “cuspy” NFW profiles at 96% (Fnx) and 99% (Scl) significance

A caveat: mass estimator valid for flat  $\sigma_{l.o.s}$ , while MR stars have a decreasing  $\sigma_{l.o.s}$

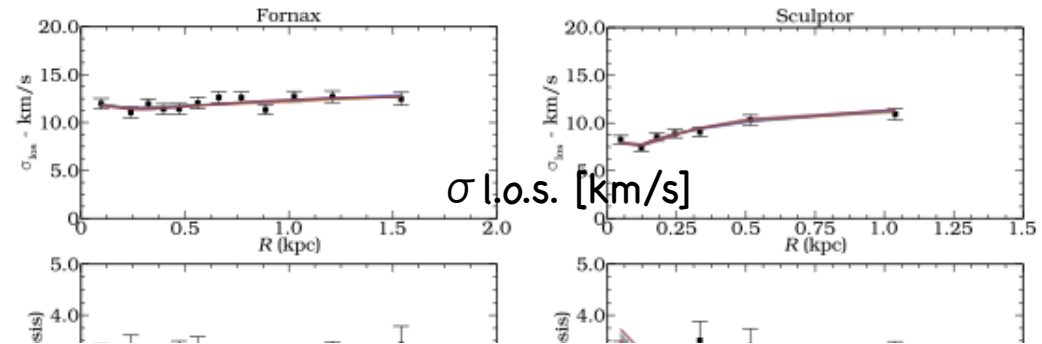


# Schwarzschild modeling applied to dSphs

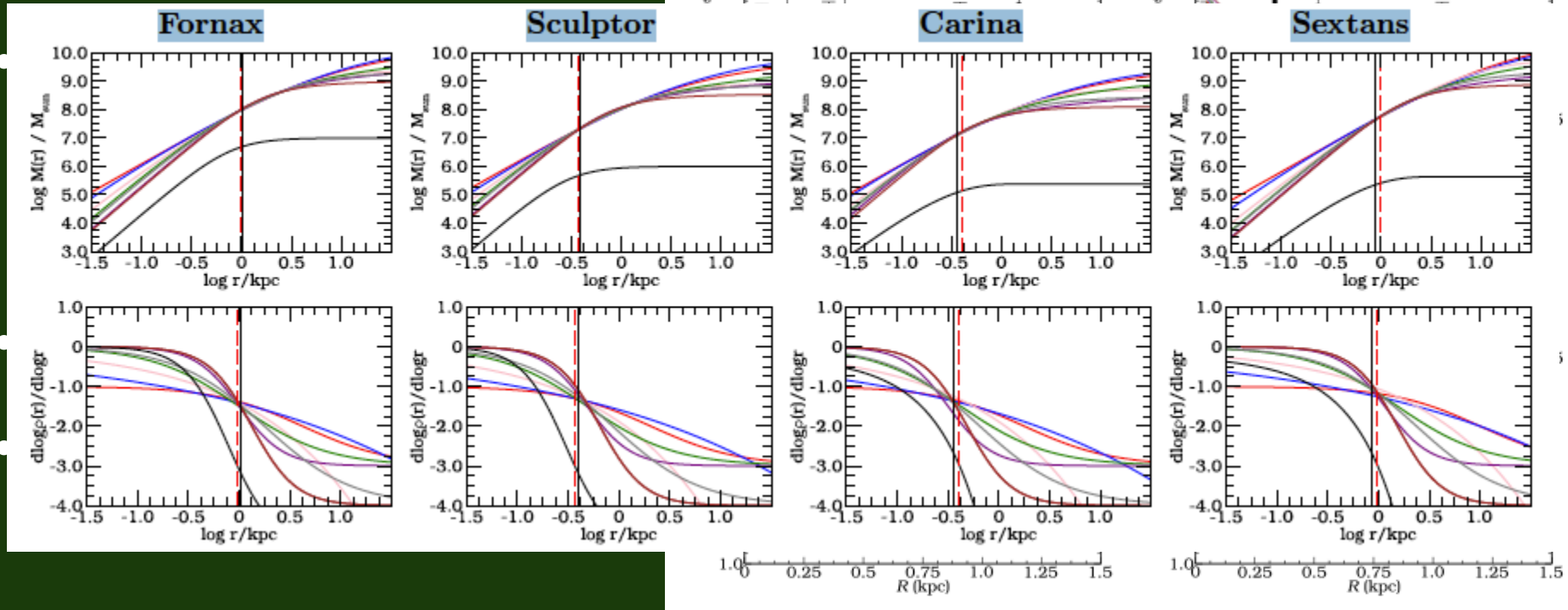
(Breddels et al. 2013; see also Javel & Gebhard 2012)

- Extensively used in mass modeling from integrated light spectroscopy (e.g. elliptical galaxies)
- The building blocks of galaxies are orbits

Breddels & Helmi arXiv:1304.2976



$\sigma_{\text{l.o.s.}}$  [km/s]



# The Milky Way “Ultra-Faint” dwarfs (i.e. post-SDSS early-type dwarfs), record-holders:

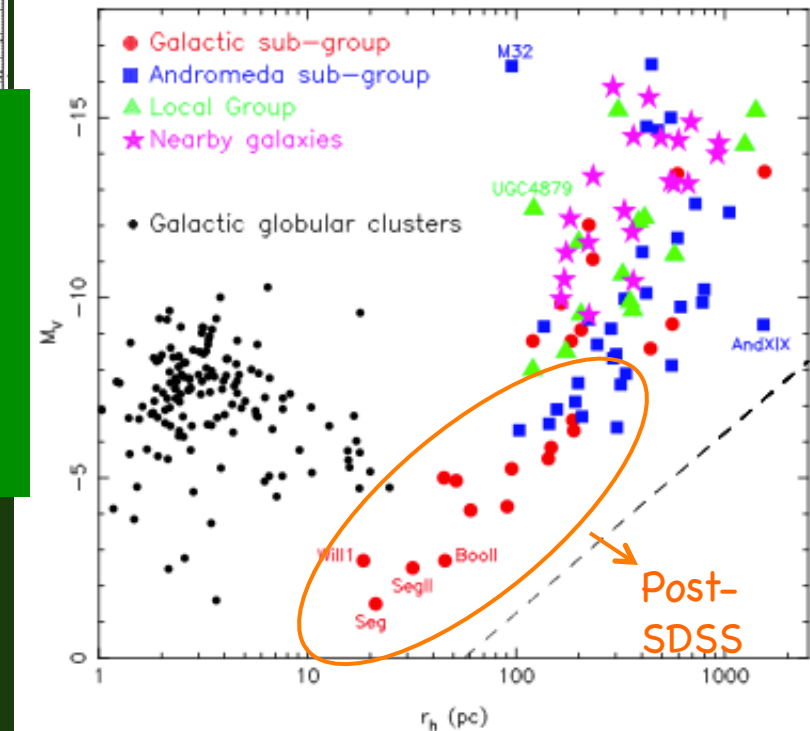
The faintest, smallest, lowest surface brightness, most metal-poor galaxies

SDSS

Subaru/INT

Are UFDs a different class of galaxies?

Where do we draw the line between stellar clusters and galaxies?



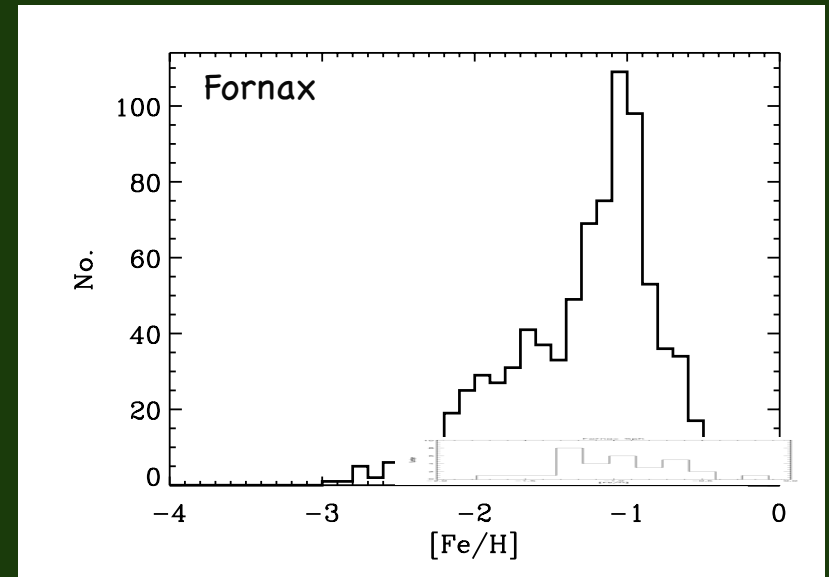
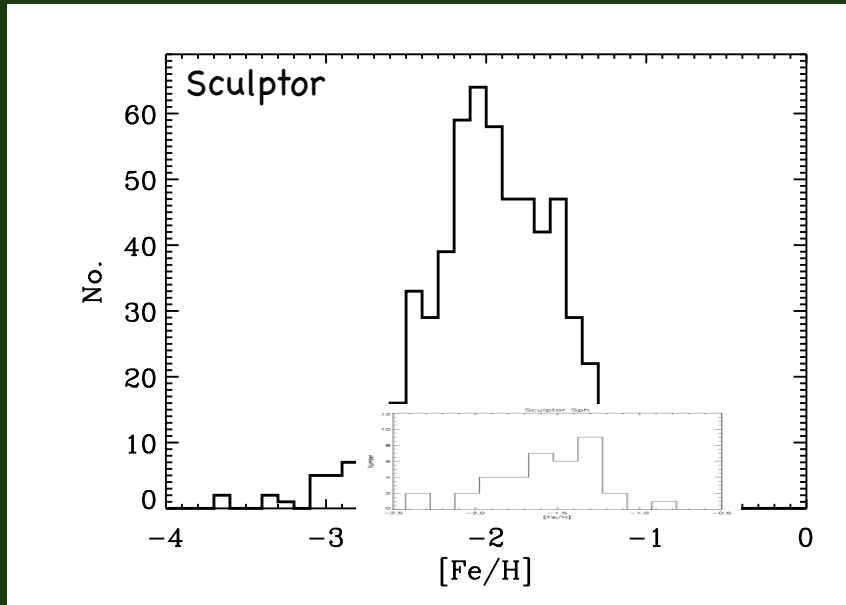
McConnachie 2012



# Insights on general properties of dwarf galaxies

# Large samples vs small samples

VLT/FLAMES: Tolstoy et al. 2004, Battaglia et al. 2006, 2008, 2011, Starkenburg et al. 2010



VLT/FORS: Tolstoy et al. 2001

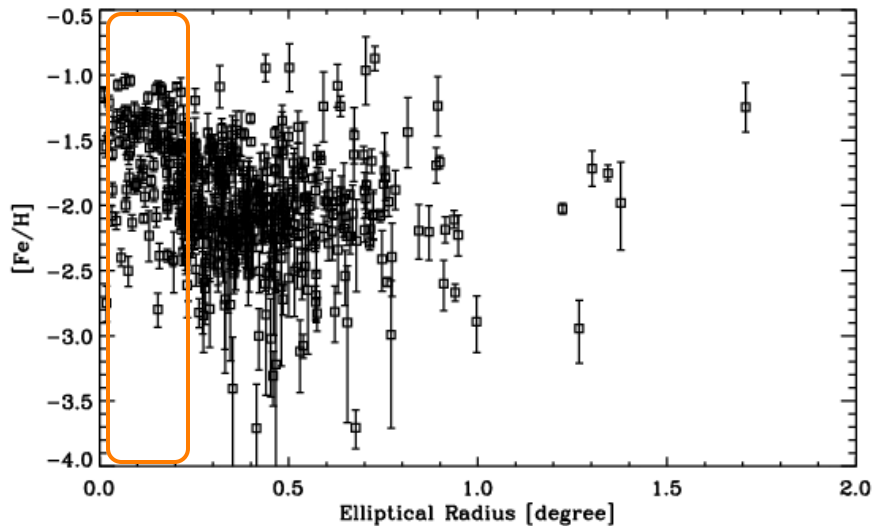
Much wider range of  $[Fe/H]$  values within each galaxy than previously thought  $\rightarrow$  this should give indications on the galaxy's capability to retain its ISM  $\rightarrow$  potential well

Presence of (rare) extremely metal-poor stars (see also Kirby et al. 2009, Frebel 2010, Tafelmeyer et al. 2010)

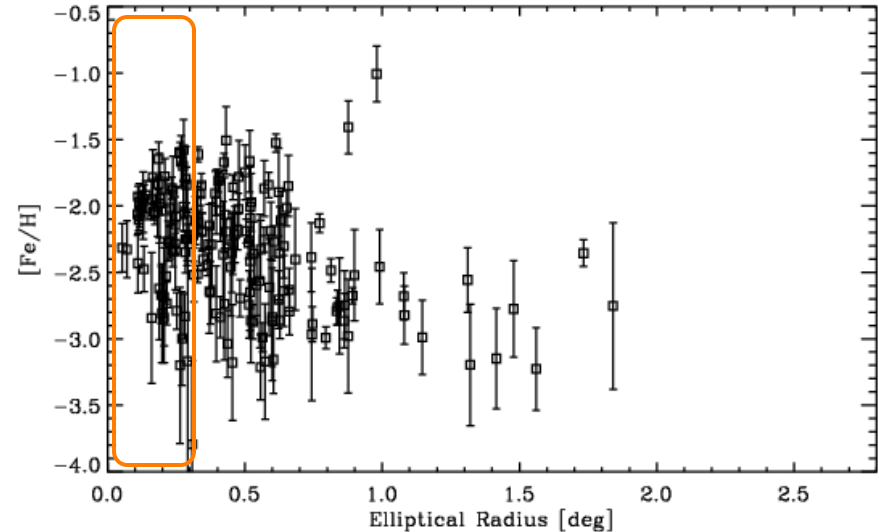
# Spatial variations of metallicity properties in MW dSphs

[Fe/H] from CaT lines calculated using the calibration from Starkenburg et al. 2010

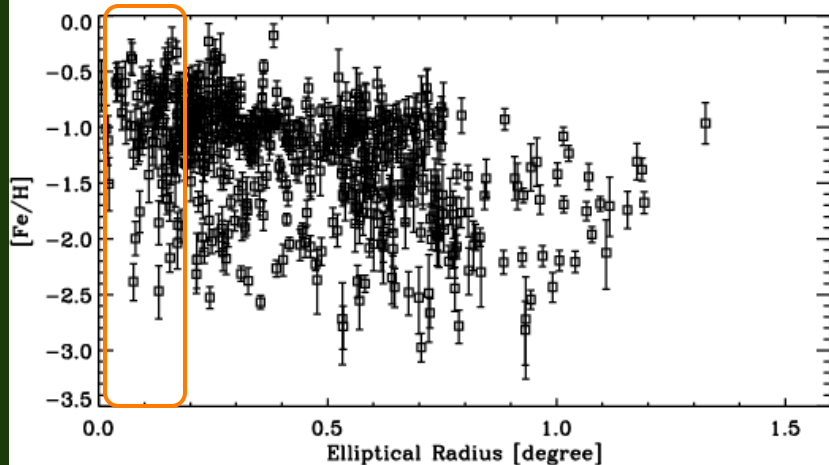
Sculptor (Tolstoy et al. 2004)



Sextans (Battaglia et al. 2011)



Fornax (Battaglia et al. 2006)

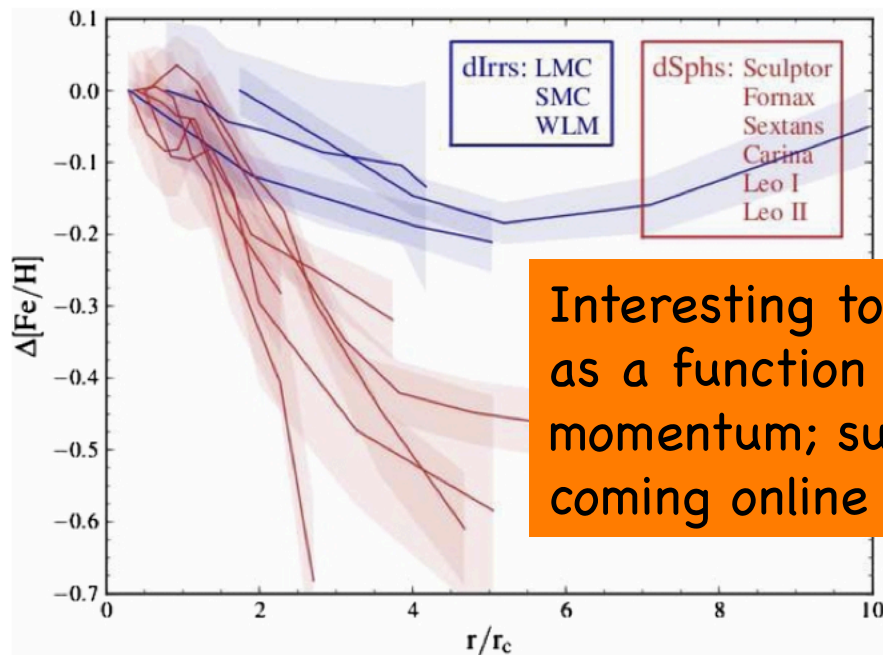


(see also e.g. Koch et al. 2006; Faria et al. 2007; Gullieuszik et al. 2009; Kirby et al. 2011)

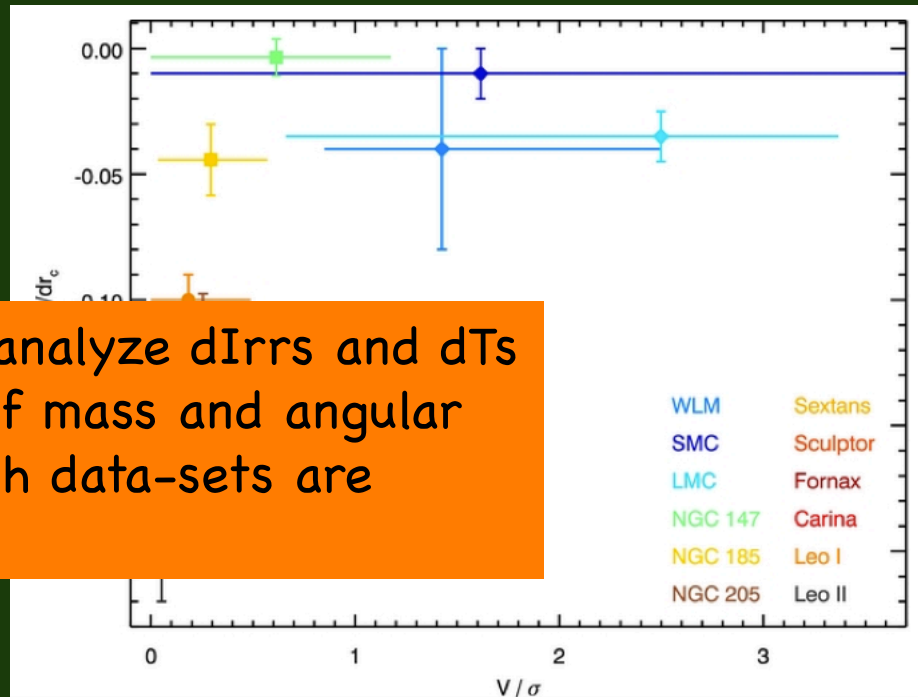
# A “centrifugal barrier” mechanism?

There are indications for a relation between  $v/\sigma$  and steepness of the metallicity gradient (Leaman et al. 2012)

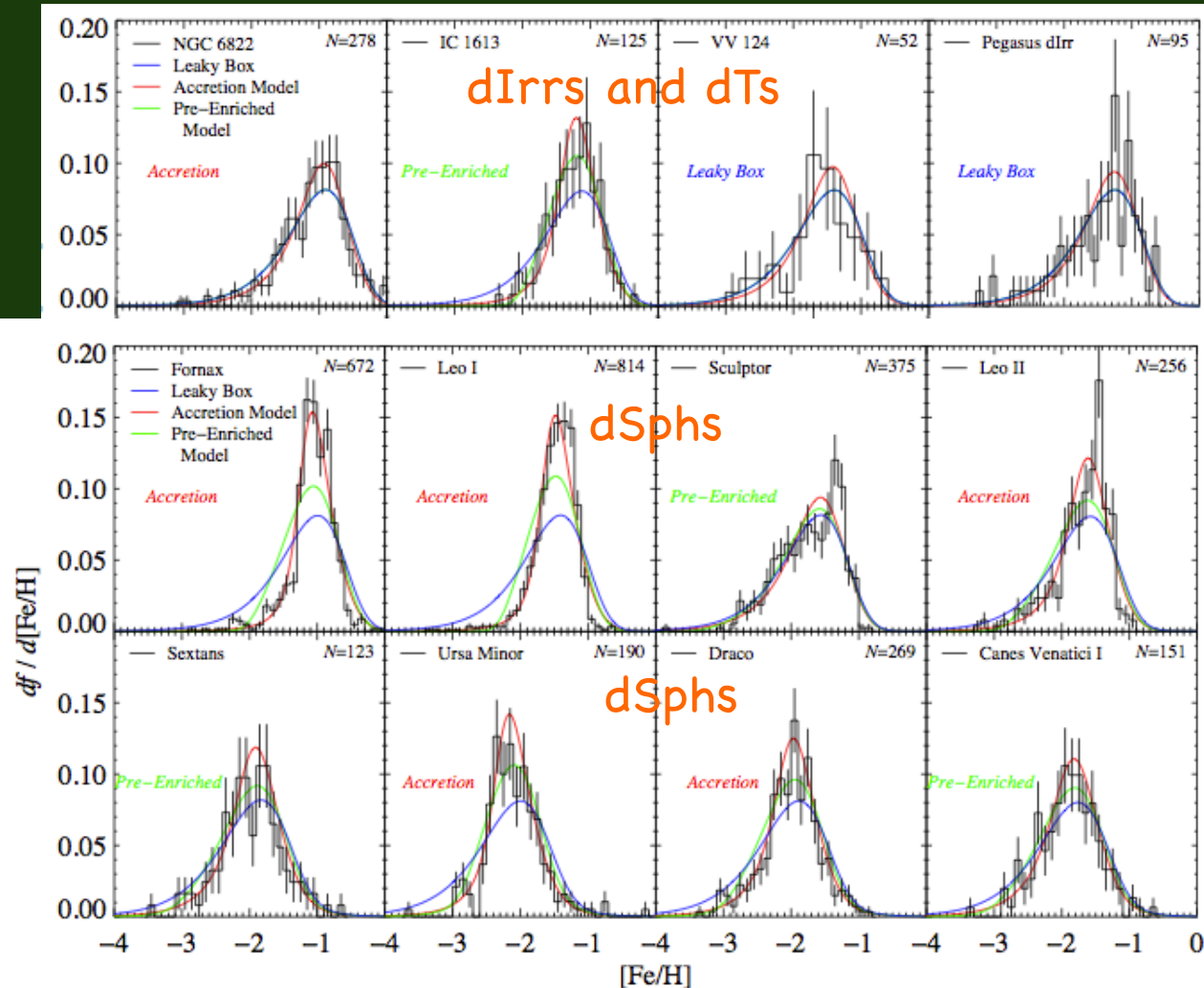
Simulations show that angular momentum can act as second parameter (after mass) in driving such gradients (e.g. Schroyen et al. 2011), in agreement with findings outside of the Local Group



Interesting to analyze dIrrs and dTs as a function of mass and angular momentum; such data-sets are coming online



# Closed box, galactic winds, infall? (see also e.g. Lanfranchi & Matteucci 2004)



**Leaky box:** pristine gas, gas can be expelled

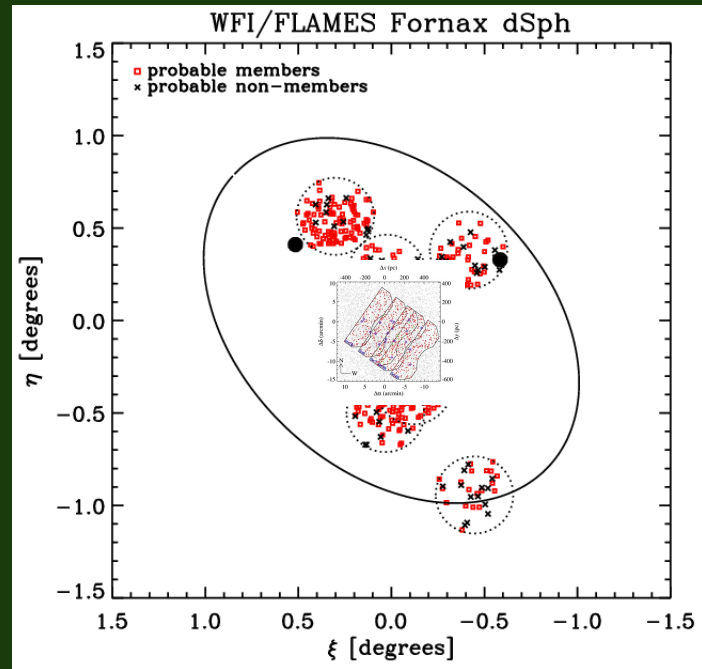
**Pre-enriched:** as above, but gas has an initial metallicity,  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]_0$

**Accretion:** as Leaky-box, but has accretion allowed

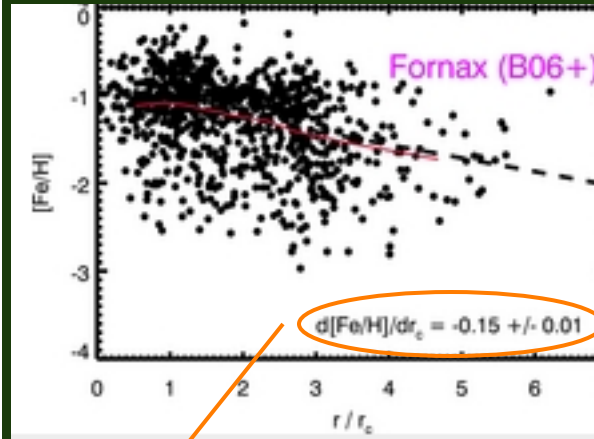
From Kirby et al. 2013 (only galaxies with  $N_{\text{spectra}} > 50$ )

some words of caution on the samples from which the MDF is drawn

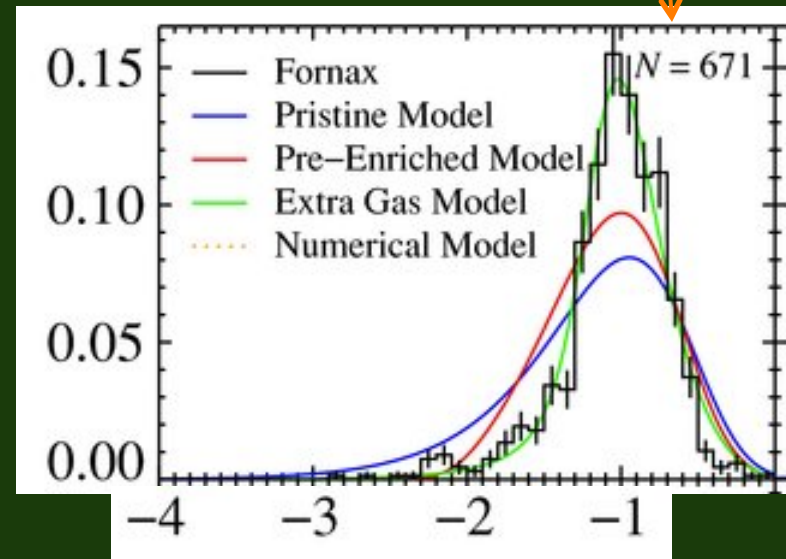
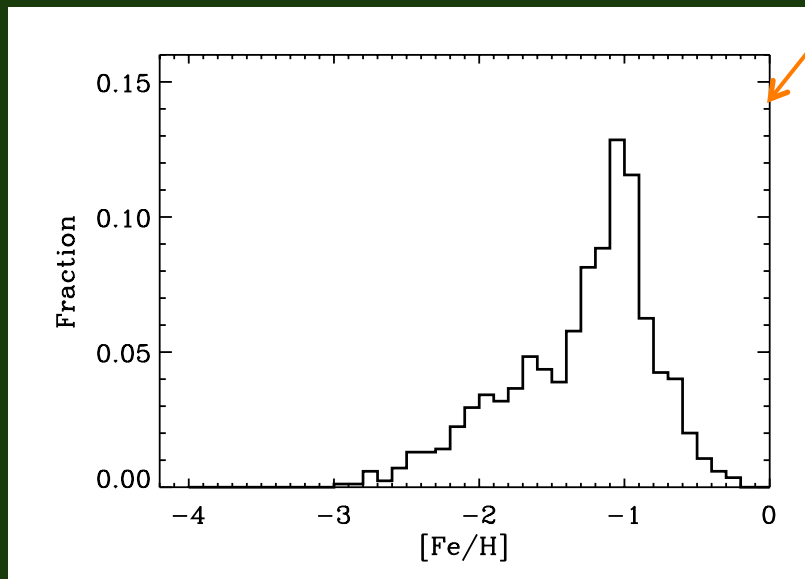
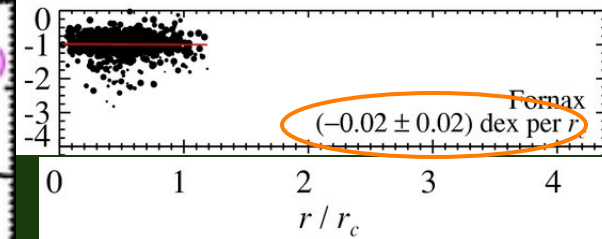
# Spatially extended vs centrally concentrated samples



Different samples with similar number of stars



Kirby et al. 2010, 2011



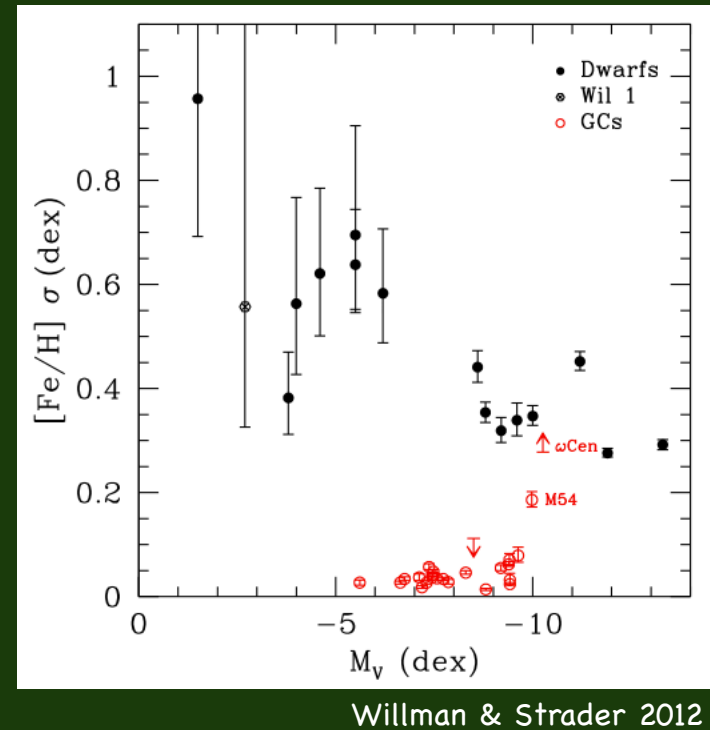
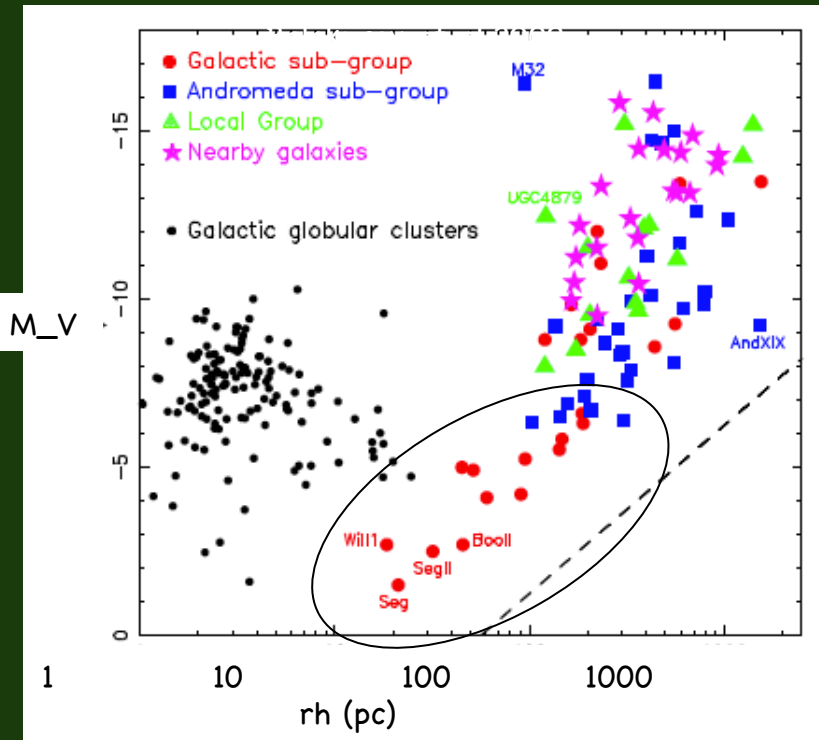


Are all UFDs actual galaxies?

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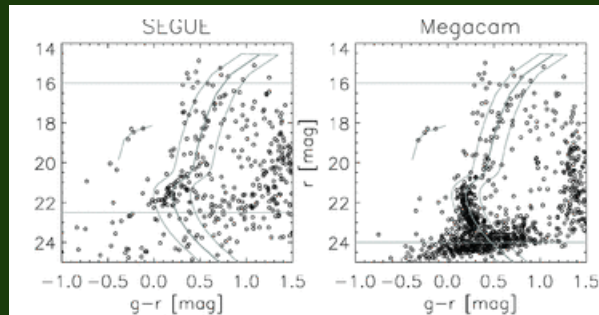
- Large velocity dispersions  $\rightarrow$  large dynamical  $M/L$ : very large ratios of dark-to-luminous matter or tidally disrupted (or other effects)?

$\rightarrow$  The presence of spreads in  $[Fe/H]$  would distinguish them from stellar clusters and classify them as galaxies (absence of Na-O anti-correlations, but that's difficult!)



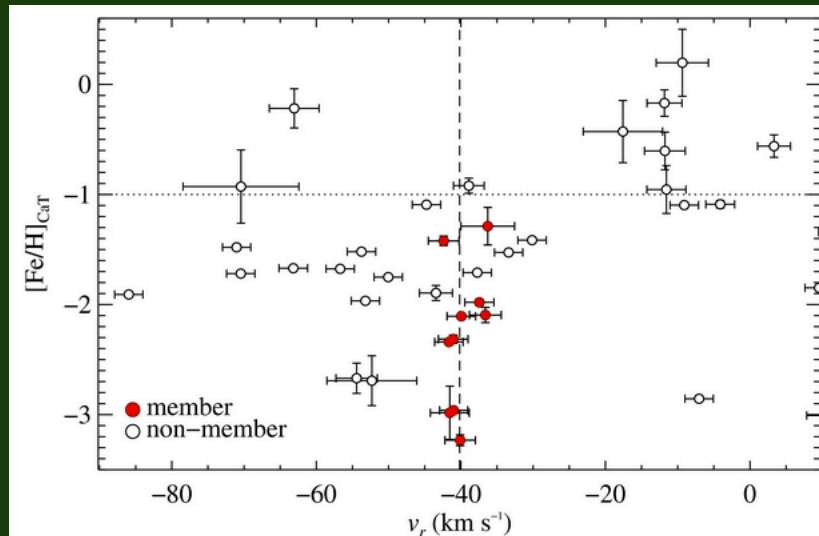
# The example of Segue2

Discovered in 2009 by Belokurov et al., luminosity of 900Lsun, systemic velocity strongly overlaps with the Milky Way disc

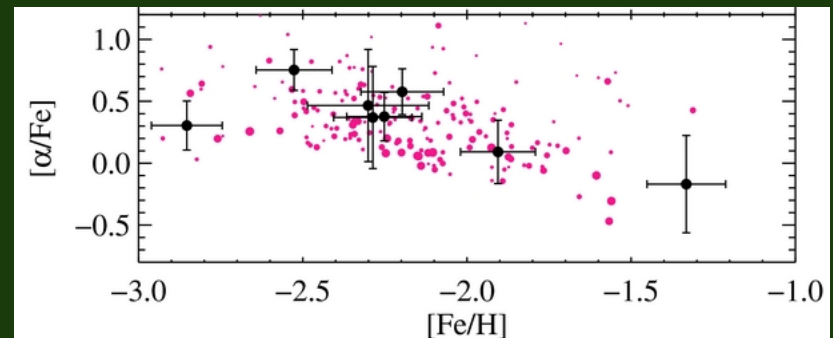


Belokurov et al. 2009

Contamination by foreground/background Milky Way stars is an issue! (also for other systems, e.g. Wilman1)



Wide range of  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$  values (11 stars); decline in  $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$  vs  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$  (retained supernovae ejecta?)

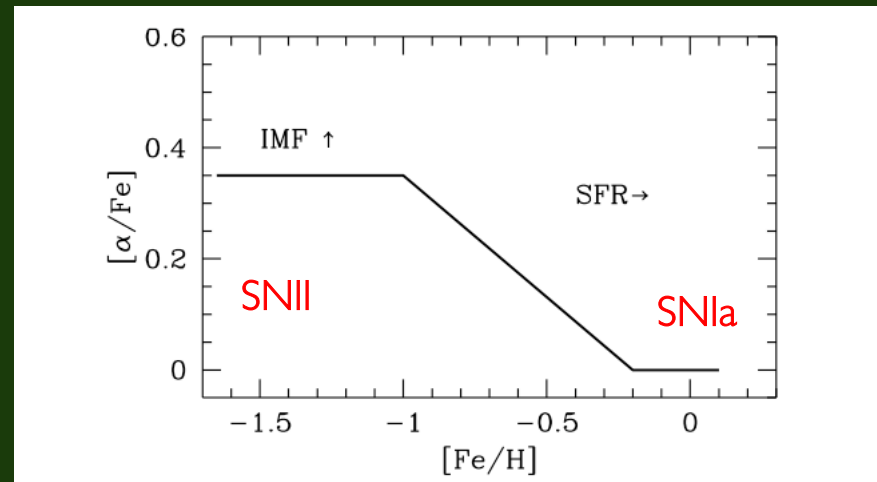


Kirby et al. 2012

What objects contributed to the build-up of the Milky Way halo?

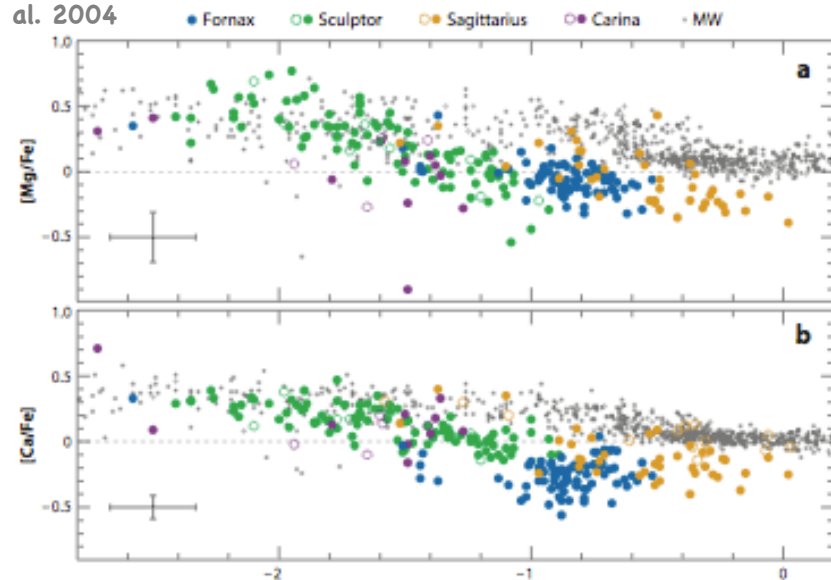
# $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$ vs $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ : a star formation rate “clock”

- $\alpha$ -elements produced by SNII  $\rightarrow$  progenitors of SNII are massive stars (with very short life-times, 1-40 Myr)  $\rightarrow$  enrichment in  $\alpha$ -elements closely follow star formation rate
- Fe mainly produced by SNIa  $\rightarrow$  a range of life-times (35 Myr – Hubble time)
- “Time-delay” model (Tinsley 1979)  $\rightarrow$  delay of injection of Fe into ISM relative to the fast production of  $\alpha$ -elements produces a typical signature in  $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$  vs  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$  (“knee”)

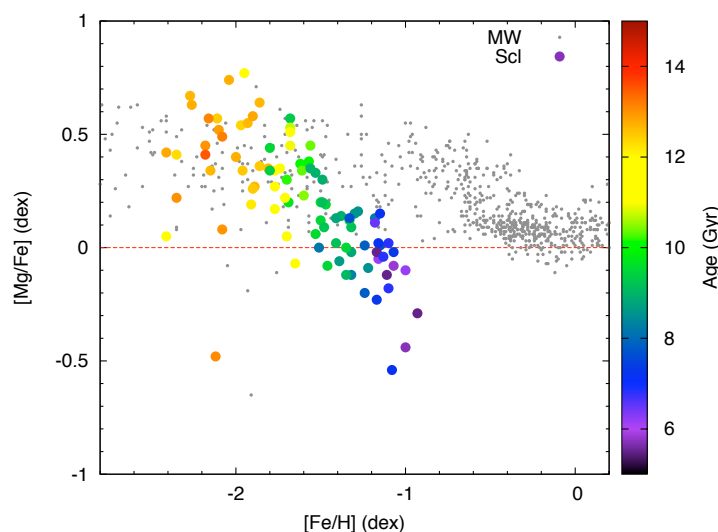
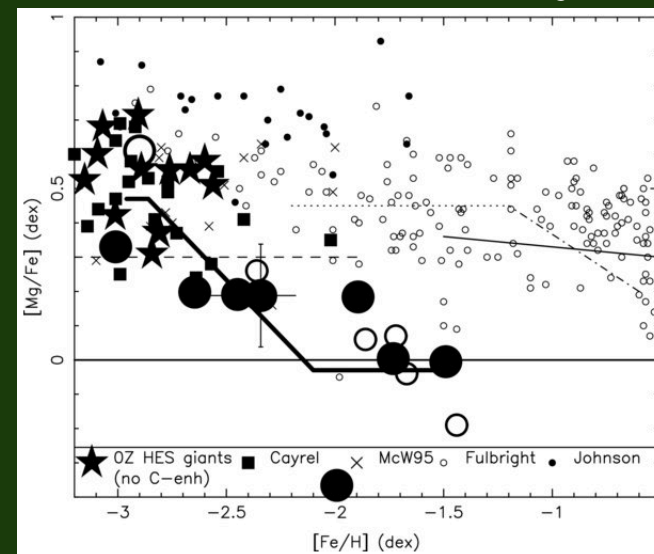


Hill et al. 2012, in prep., Geisler et al. 2005, Shetrone et al. 2003 AJ, Letarte et al. 2010 A&A, Koch et al. 2008, Venn et al. 2012 ApJ, Lemasle et al. 2012 A&A, Sbordone et al. 2007, Venn et al. 2004

# Comparison with the Milky Way halo

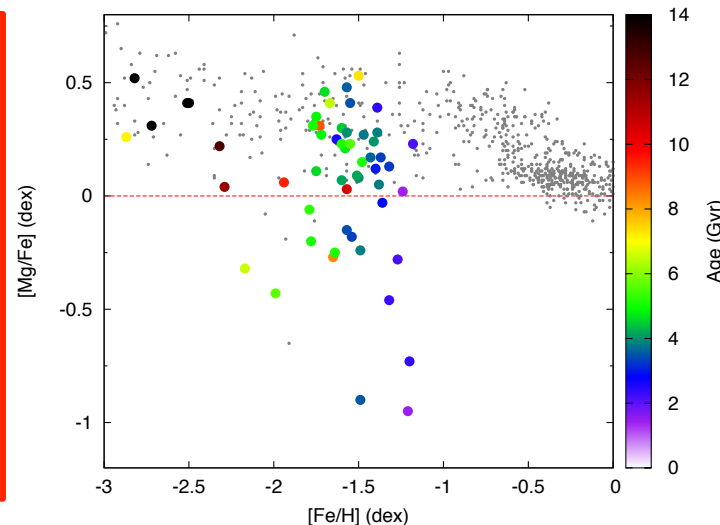


Draco: Cohen & Huang 2009



"Knee" in Scl occurred  $\sim 2 \pm 1$  Gyr after star formation began;

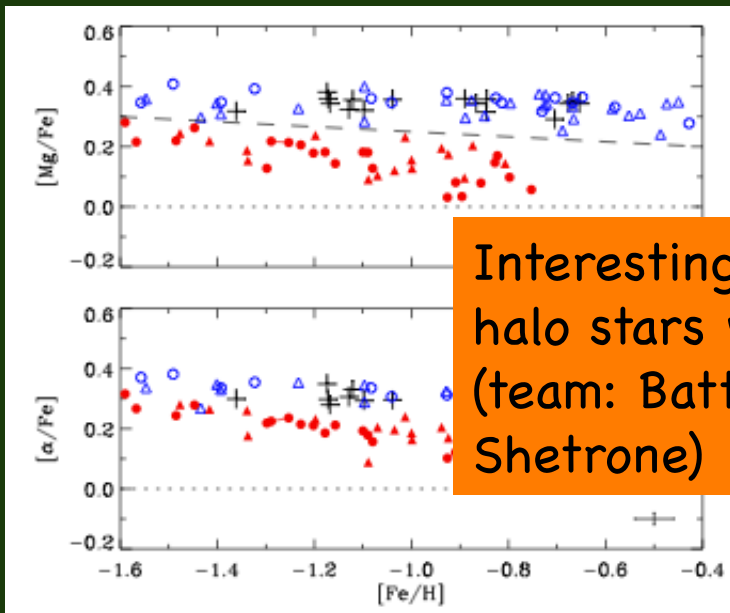
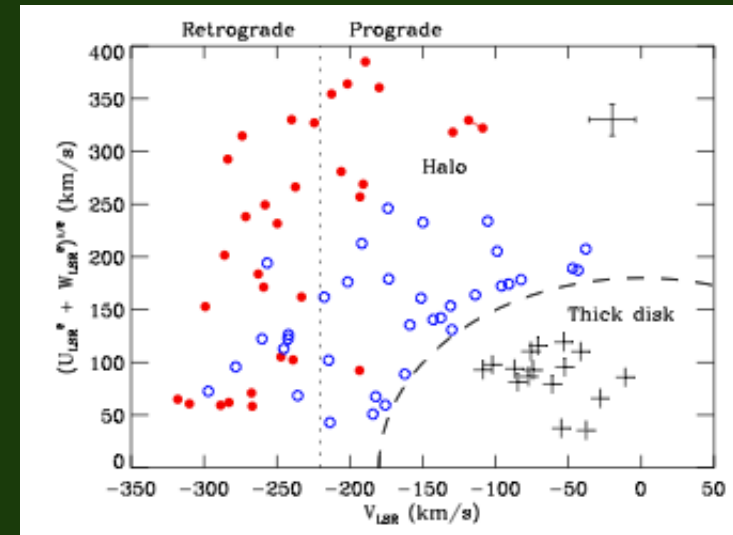
Carina is complicated but larger scatter than in the halo





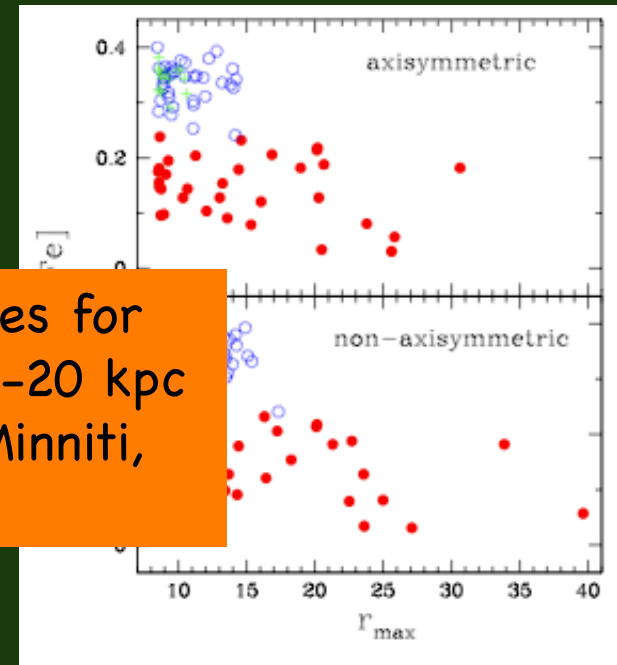
# Dual nature of the Milky Way halo (e.g. Searle & Zinn 1979 from globular clusters, Carollo et al. 2007, ... ; A. Font's talk)

- Inner halo: rather flattened & prograde rotation
- Outer halo: more spherical & no (or some retrograde) rotation
- Transition region at  $R \sim 15\text{--}20$  kpc
- Solar Neighbourhood samples are dominated by inner halo stars at  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] > -2$



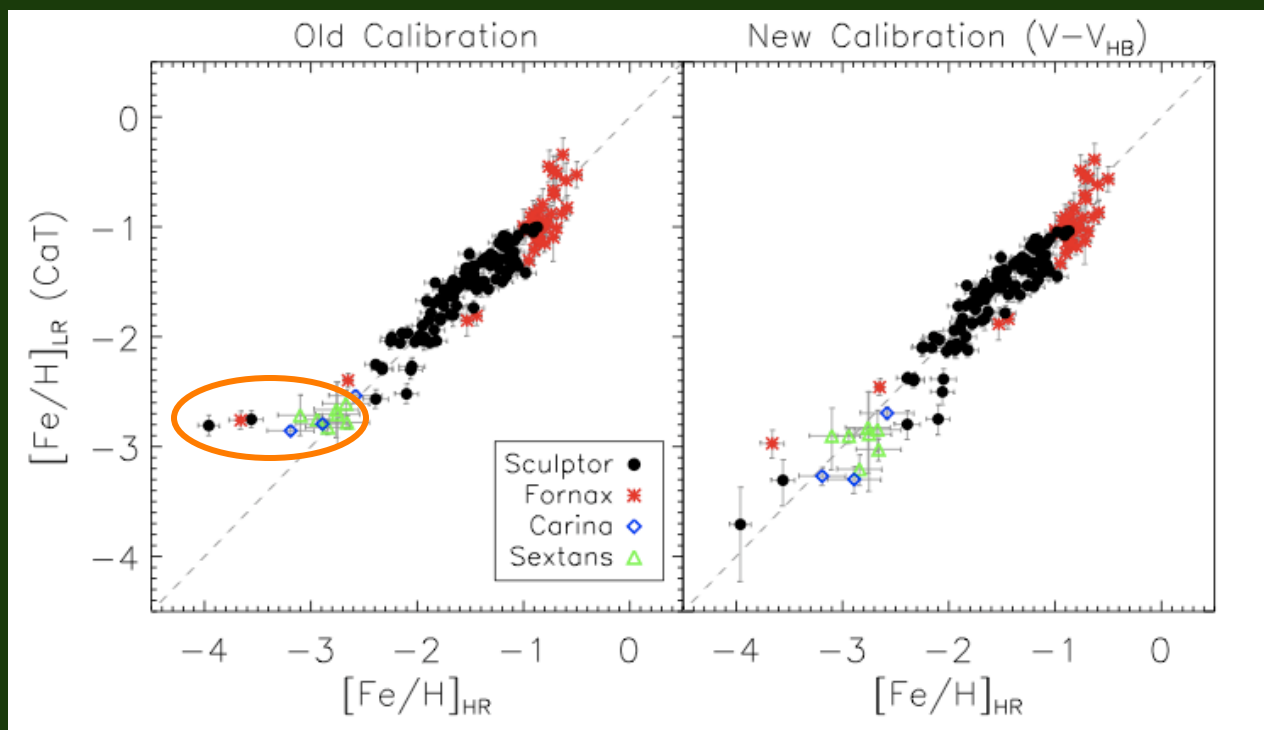
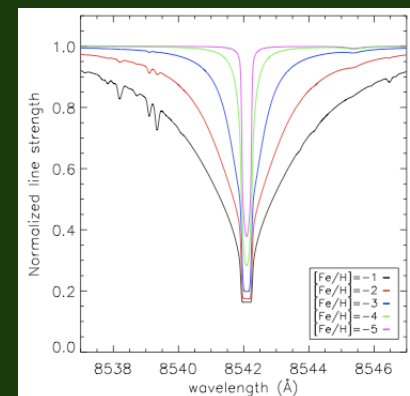
Nissen &

Interesting to get abundances for halo stars with distance  $> 15\text{--}20$  kpc (team: Battaglia, Jablonka, Minniti, Shetrone)



# CaT EW-[Fe/H] calibration from synthetic spectra and tested against data down to [Fe/H] = -4 (Starkenburg et al. 2010)

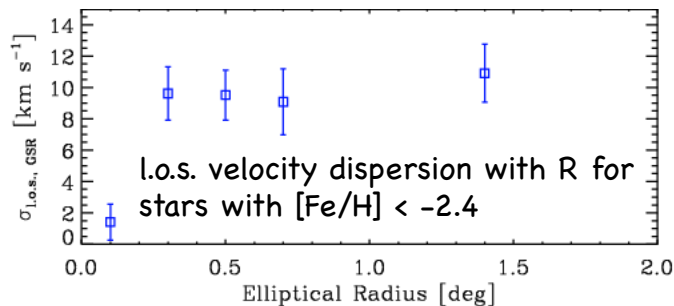
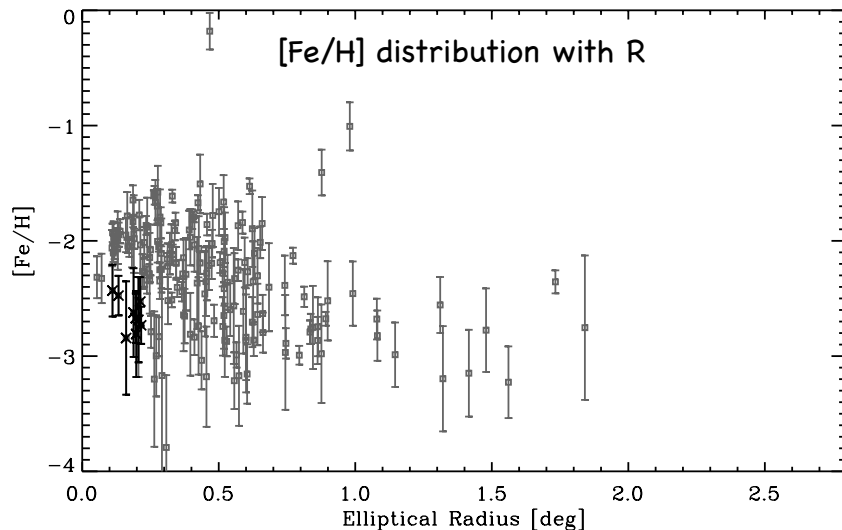
- Profile of CaT lines changes from wing dominated to core dominated as metallicity drops
- Relations based on globular clusters and synthetic spectra agree down to [Fe/H] = -2.5, then empirical relation saturates



# Chemo-dynamical substructures in Sculptor & Sextans: Disrupted (very metal-poor!) stellar clusters?

Kinematically cold: velocity dispersion =  $2.4 \pm 0.7$  km/s (Scl)  $1.4 \pm 1.2$  km/s (Sext)

Sextans (Battaglia et al. 2011)



Very metal-poor:

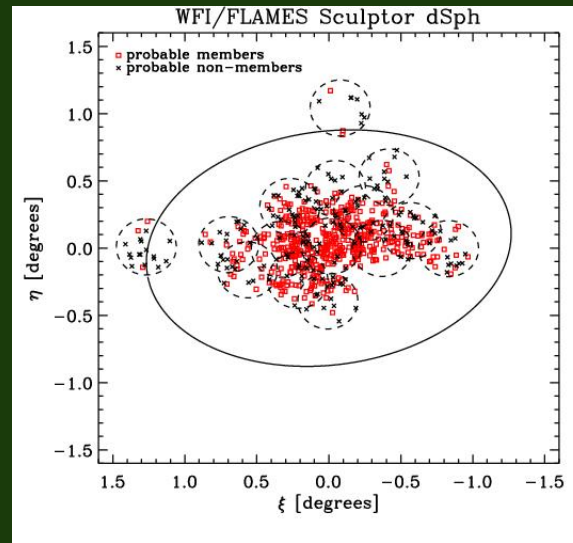
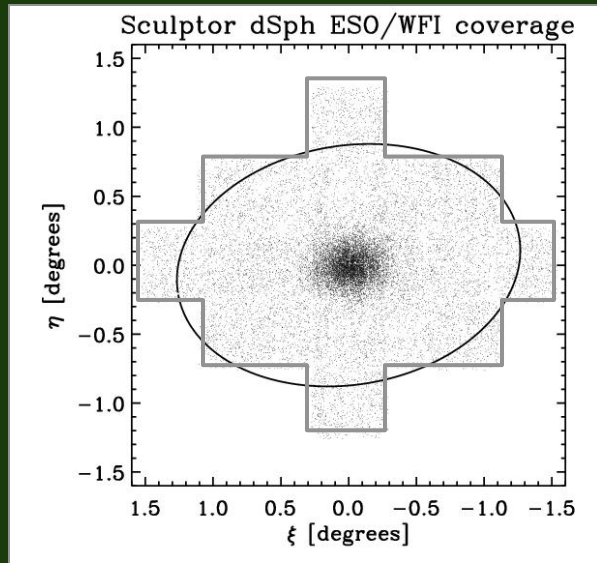
$\langle [Fe/H] \rangle = -2$  (Scl)  $-2.6$  (Sext)

$[Fe/H]$  spread consistent with zero, given the errors on the  $[Fe/H]$  measurements

Estimated V luminosity in the range of globular clusters:

$3 \times 10^4$   $L_{\odot}$  (Scl) &  $2 \times 10^4$   $L_{\odot}$  (Sext)

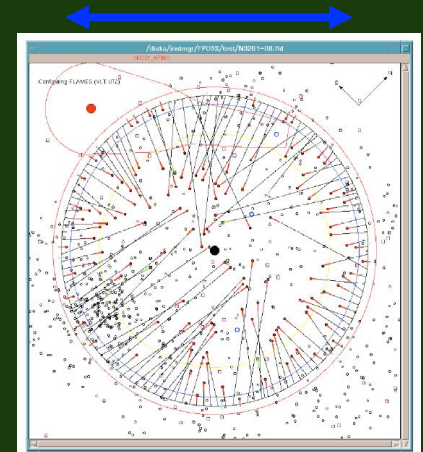
# Sample of 4 Milky Way dSphs



ESO/VLT



130 fibres  
over  
25 arcmin

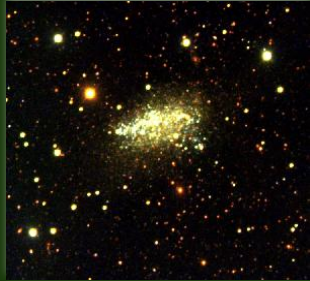


Study of the 2D structure, star formation and chemical enrichment history over a wide-area, internal kinematics, elemental abundances and comparison with the Milky Way, constraints to models of dwarf galaxy evolution → **these are the best studied galaxies to date with the most complete data-set!**

(Tolstoy et al. 2004, Battaglia et al. 2006, Helmi et al. 2006, Battaglia et al. 2008a, 2008b, Aoki et al. 2009, Revaz et al. 2009, Letarte et al. 2010, Starkenburg et al. 2010, Tafelmeyer et al. 2010, Battaglia et al. 2011, Battaglia & Starkenburg 2012; de Boer 2011, 2012a, 2012b, Starkenburg et al. 2013)

# Evolutionary links?

With HI and forming stars



Dwarf irregulars ●

Late-types



Transition dwarfs ◆

No HI and no longer forming stars



Dwarf spheroidals ●



Morphology density relation: a general characteristic of galaxy groups

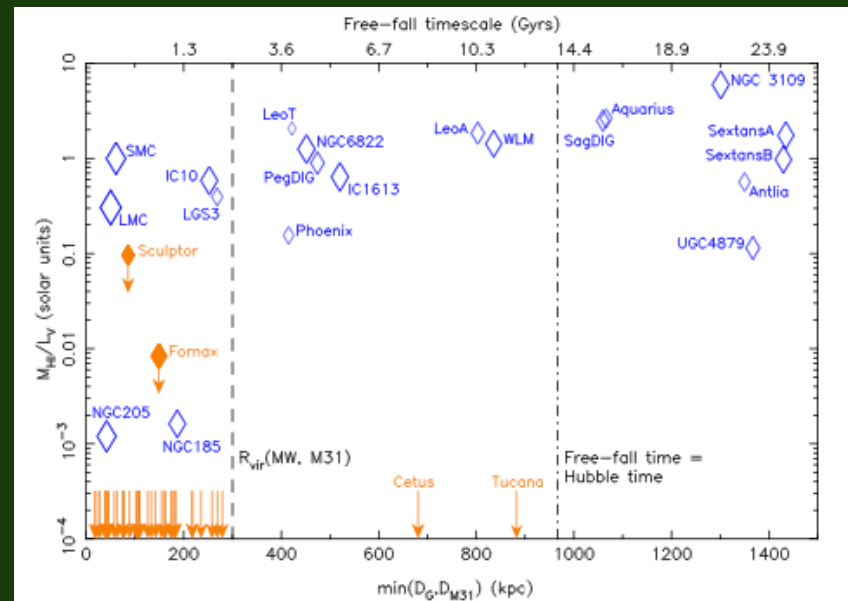
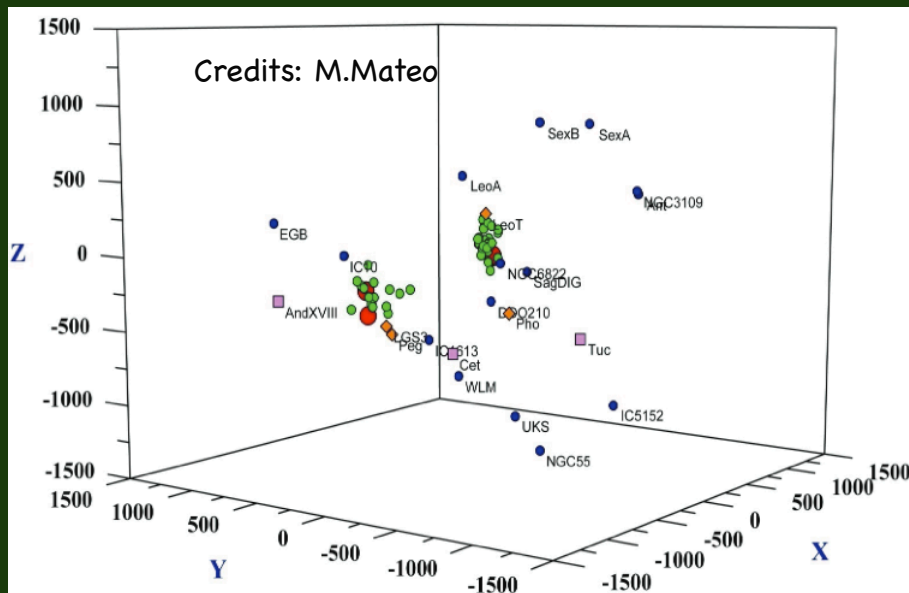
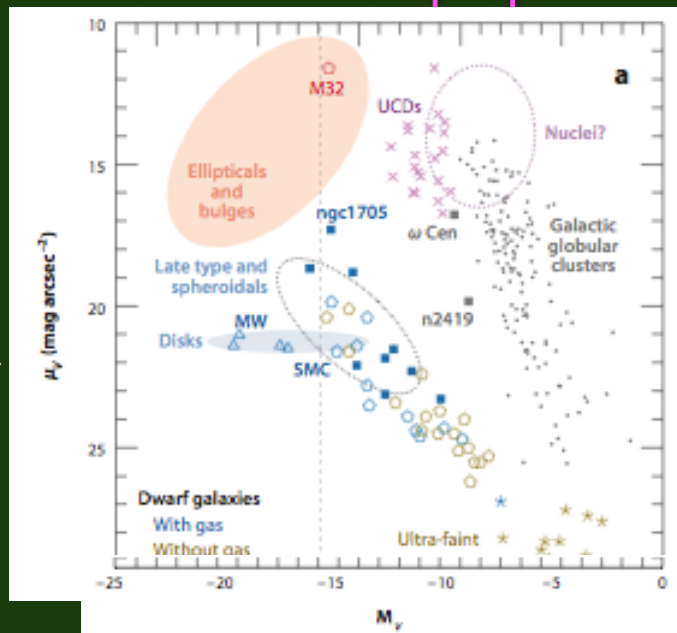


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# What processes dominate the evolution of the most numerous galaxy population?

## Continuum of properties



## Morphology density relation

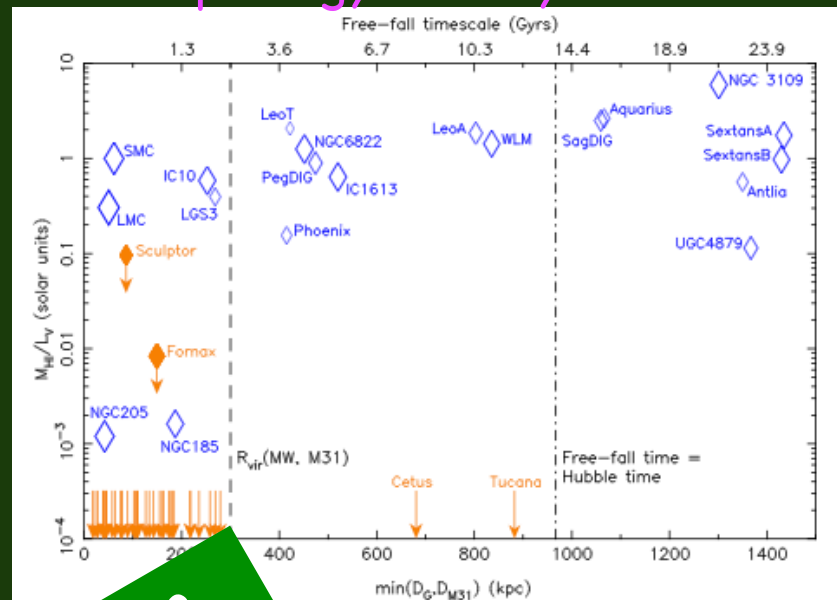
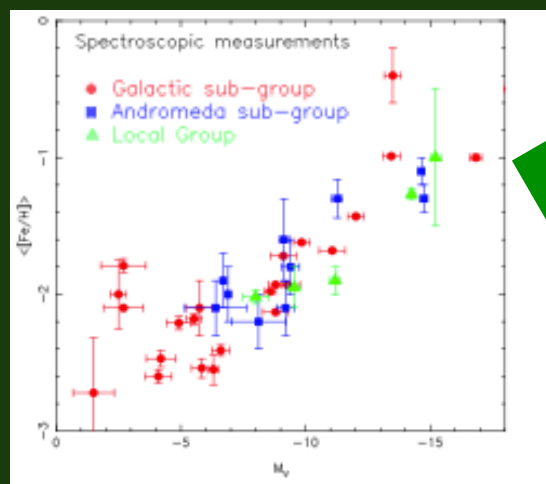


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Evolutionary link?

Can dIrrs transform into dSphs? And how?

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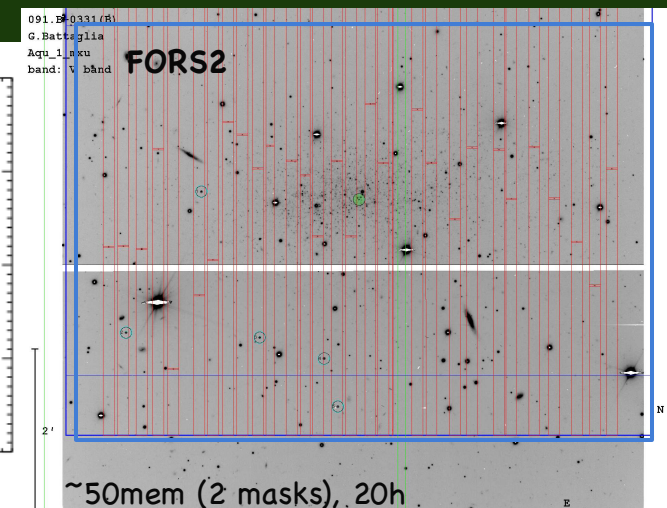
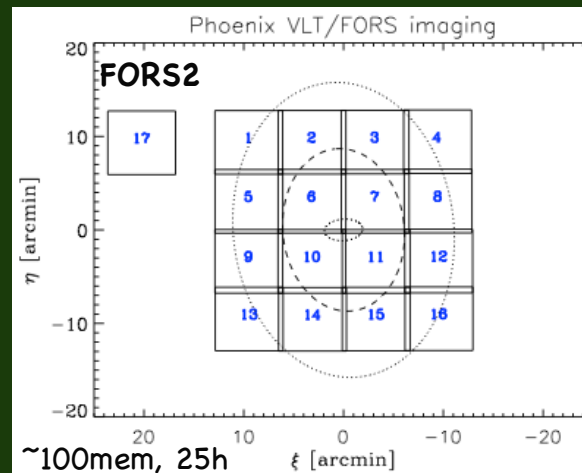
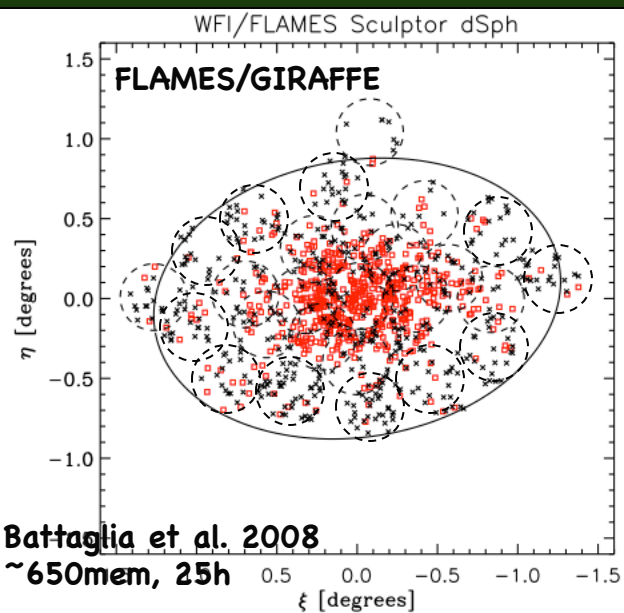
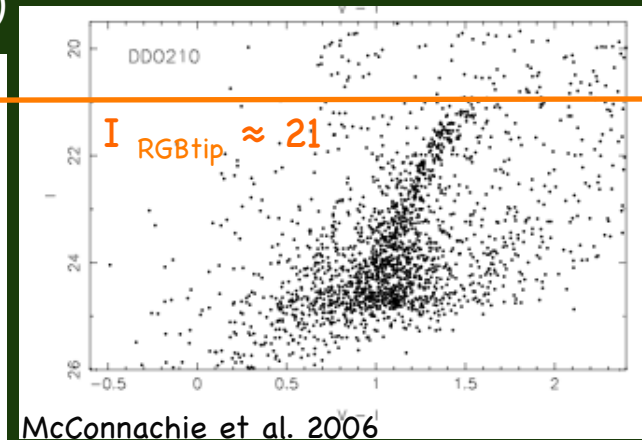
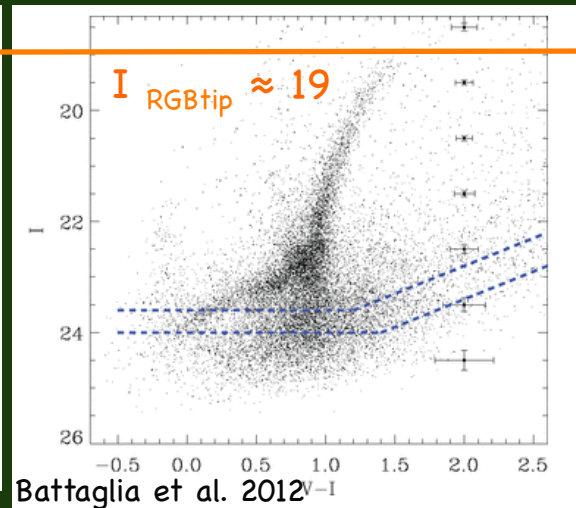
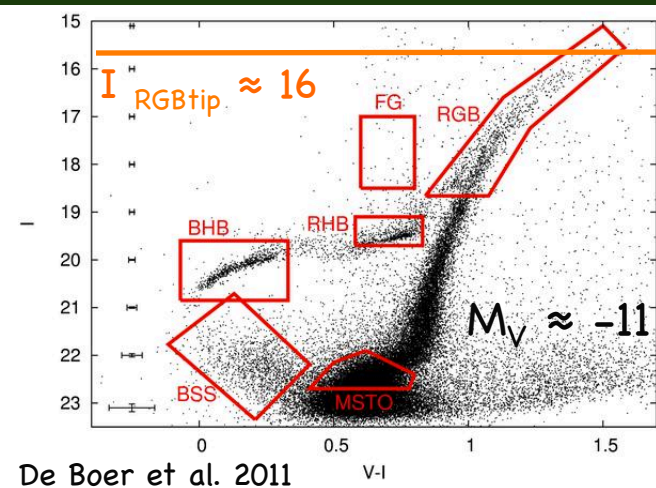


Tolstoy, Hill & Tosi 2009, ARAA



# Throughout the Local Group

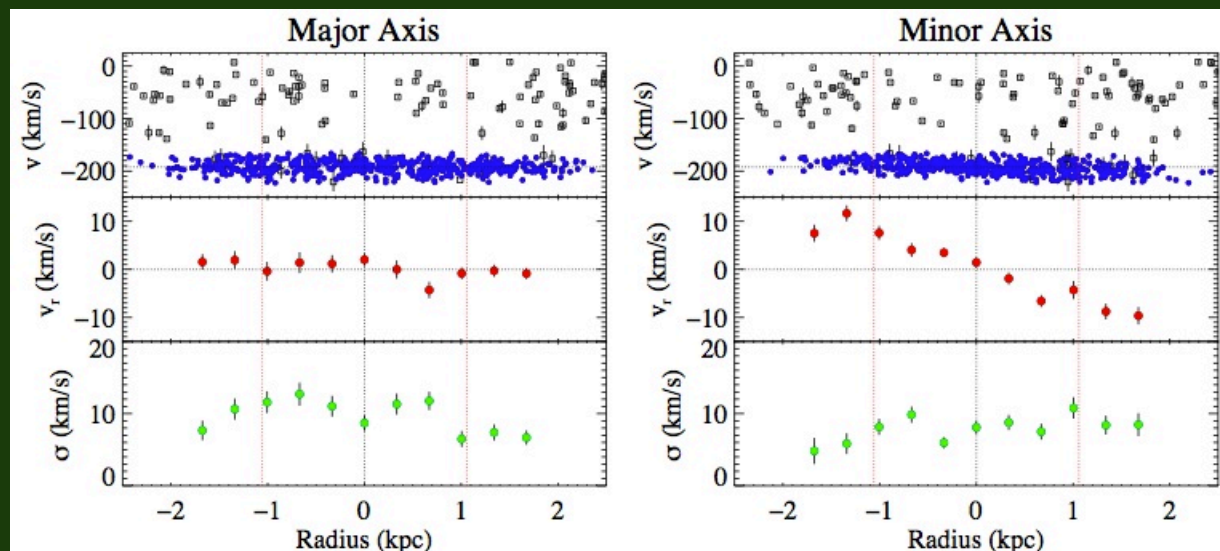
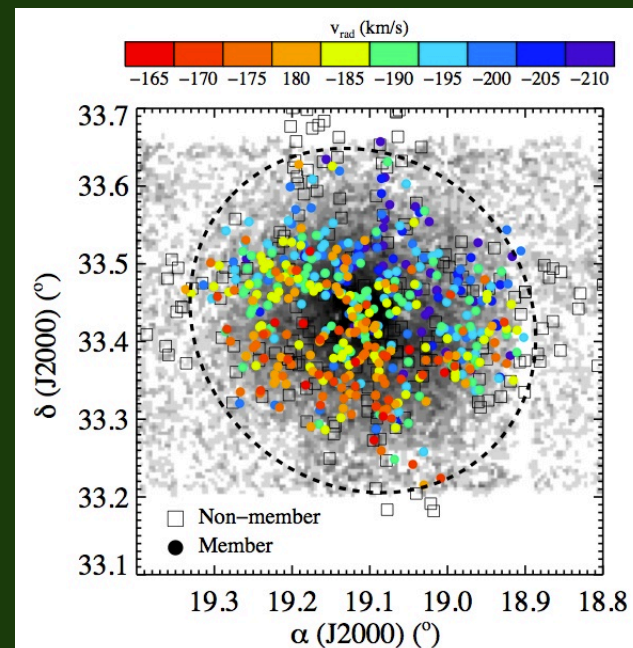
100kpc (within the MW halo)    400kpc (outside of the MW halo)    1 Mpc (Local Group outskirts)

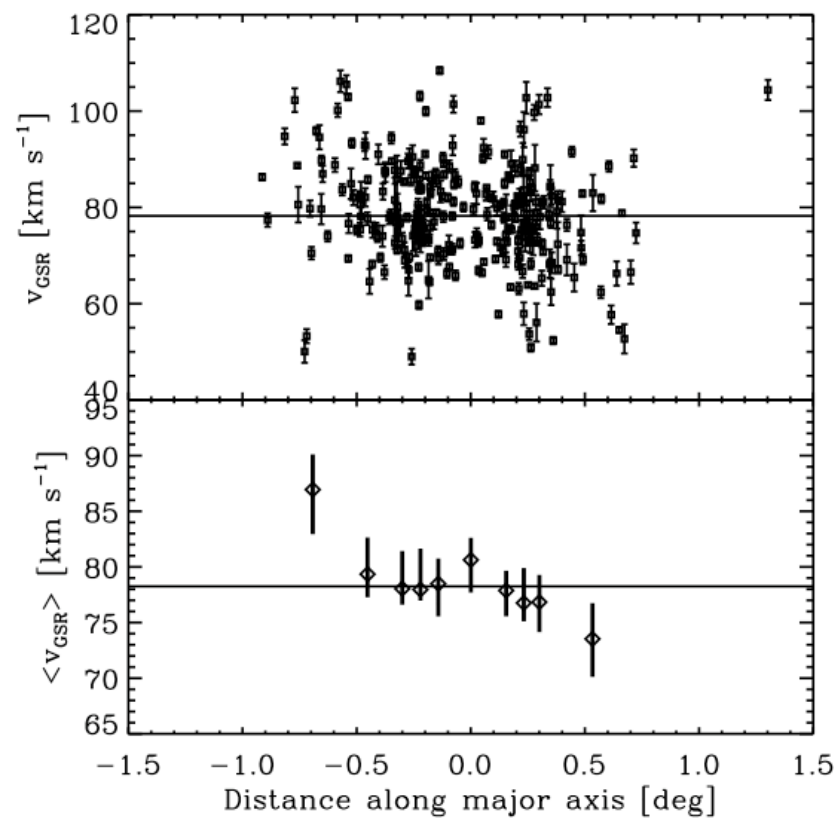
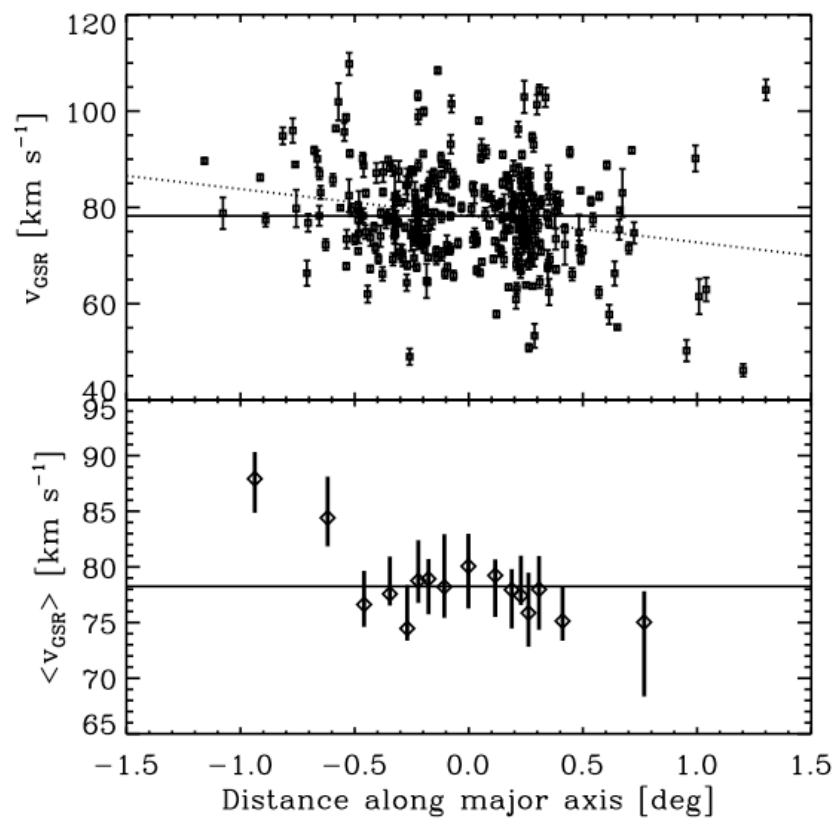
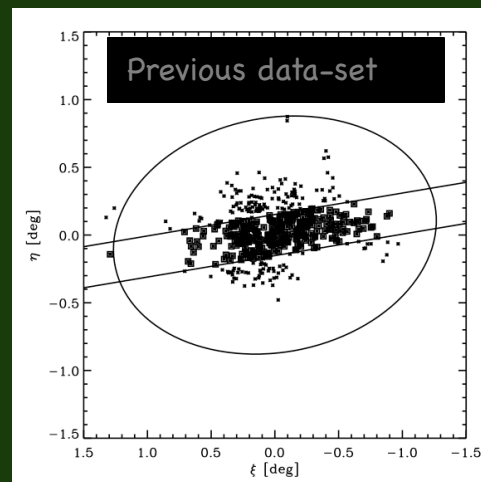
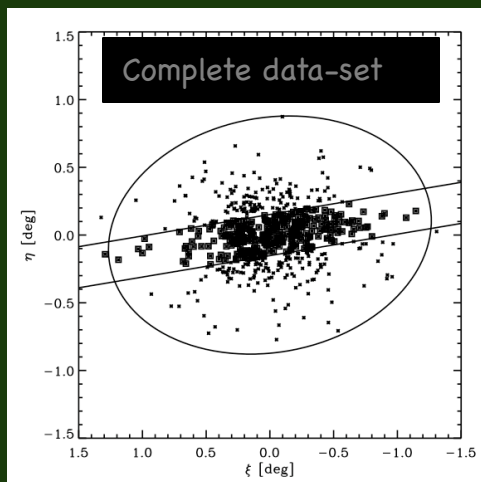




## And II dSph ( $M_V = -12.6$ )

- 530 probable members
- kinematic major axis almost coincident with photometric minor axis
- $v/\sigma = 1.4$





# Summary: velocity gradients

(intrinsic rotation, tidal disruption or projection effect?)

- Large coverage, statistics and accurate velocities are important for assessing the presence of velocity gradients. Have the observed dSphs been explored well enough to detect and fully quantify these gradients?
- Overall, a zoo of properties....
- If presence of velocity gradients in isolated dSphs (Cetus: Lewis et al. 2007; Tucana: Fraternali et al. 2010) is confirmed => rotation as intrinsic property of dSphs
- Stars in dIrrs and dTs?
- Accurate proper motions would allow to quantify projection effects in MW dSphs
- More observations and model predictions are needed to quantify tidal disruption