

The Local Dark Matter Density

New constraints on the Milky Way's dark disc and the shape of the halo

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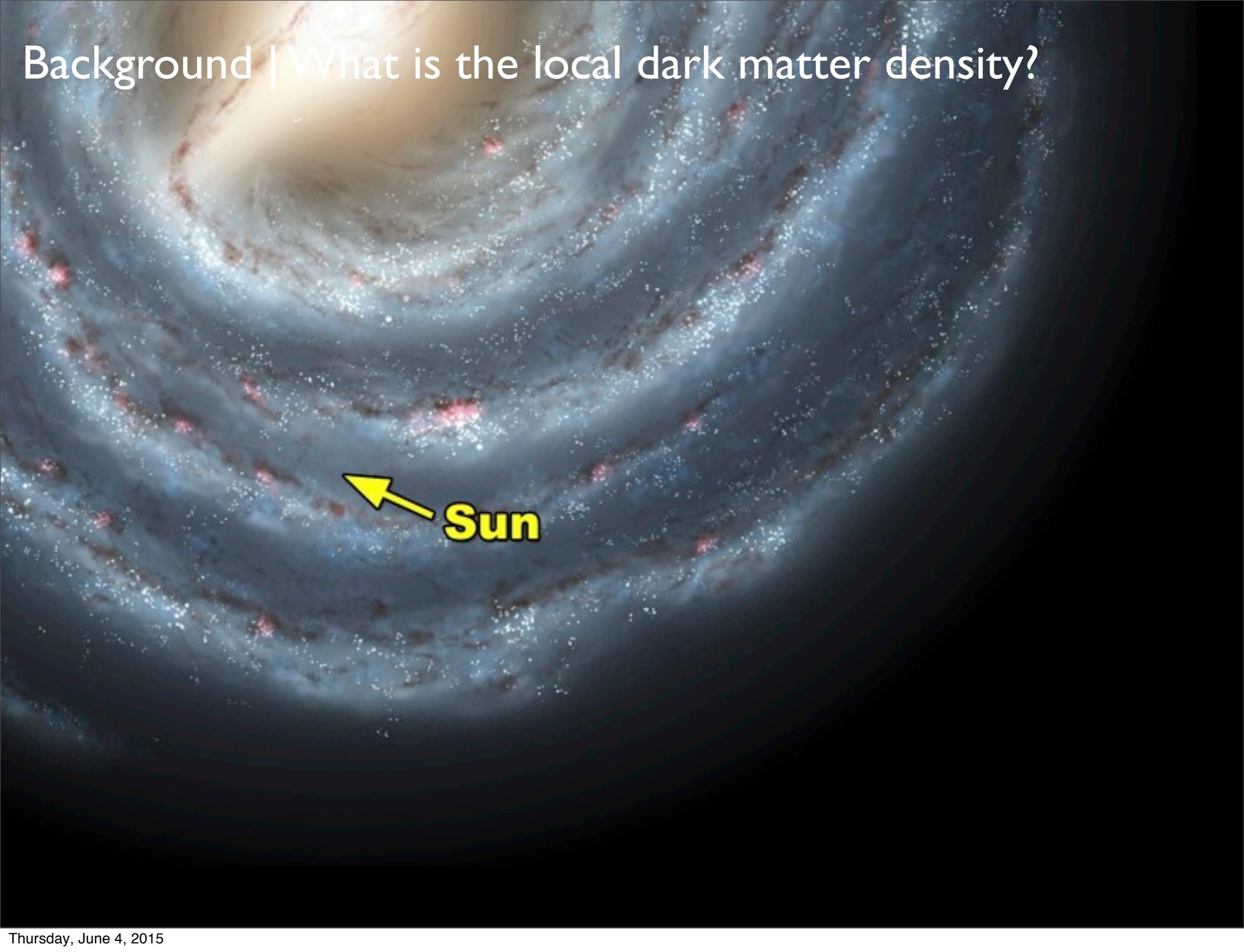
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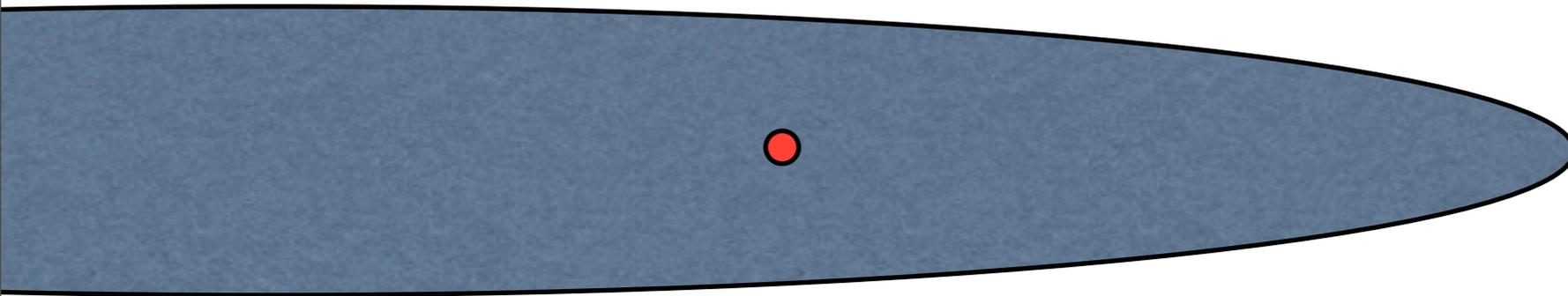
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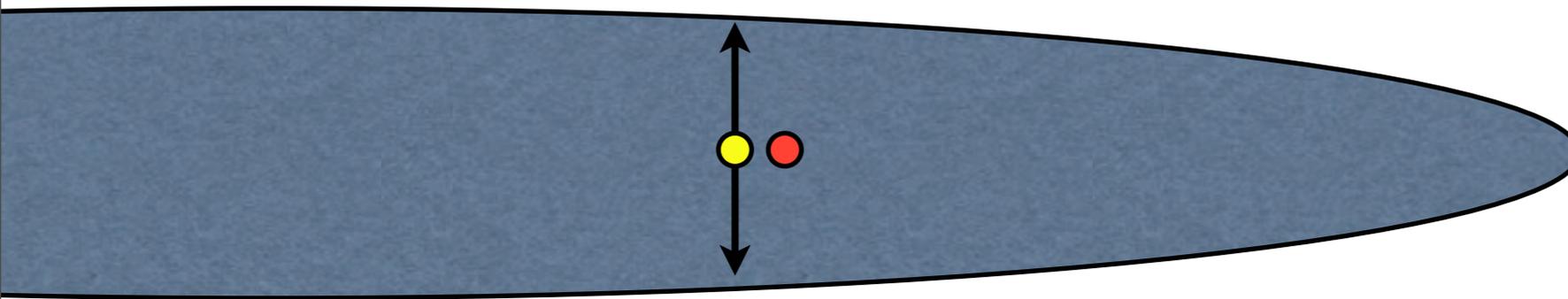
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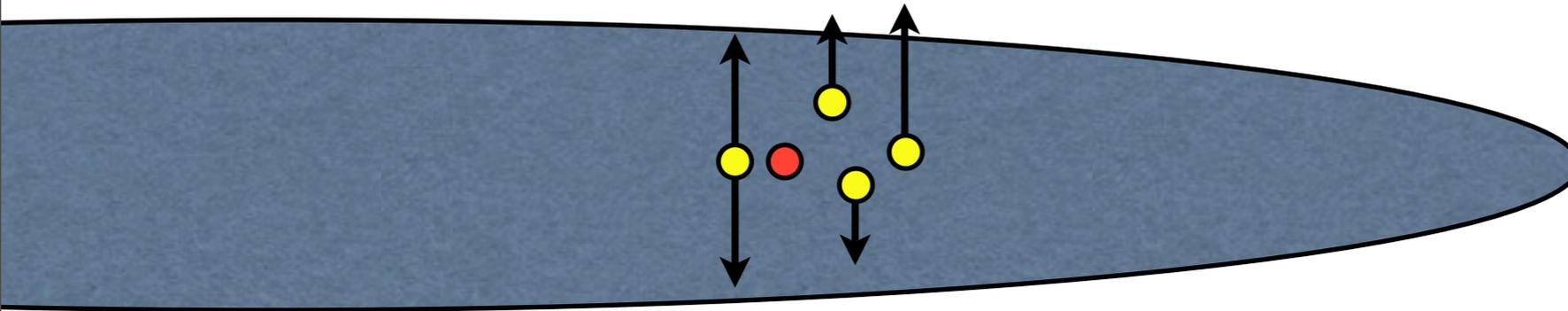
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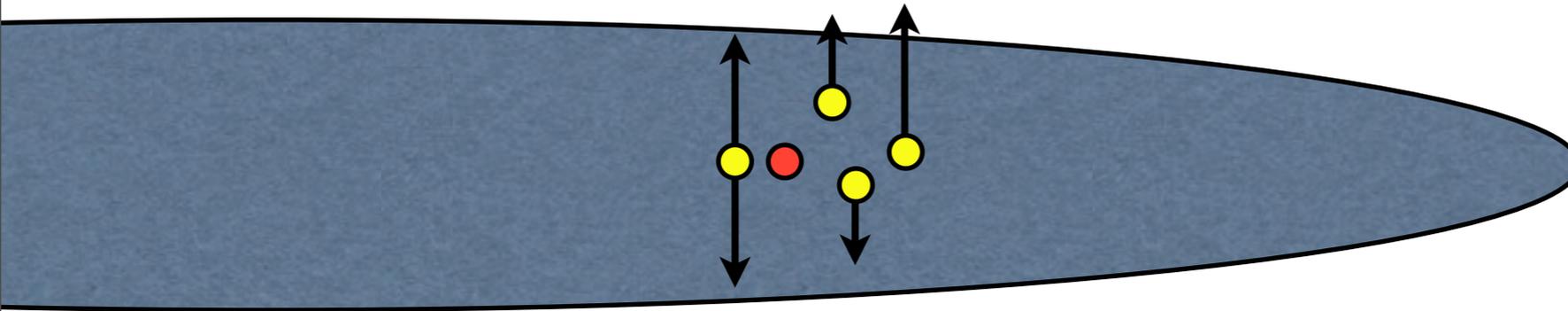
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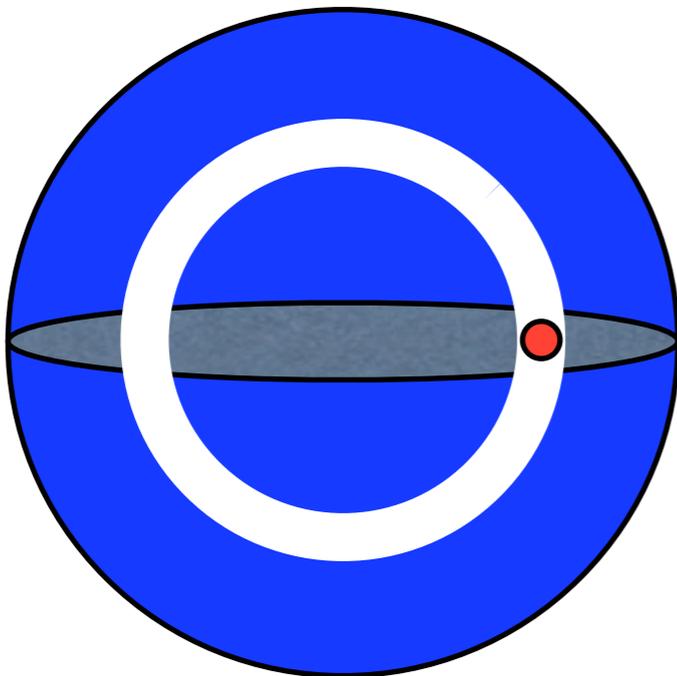
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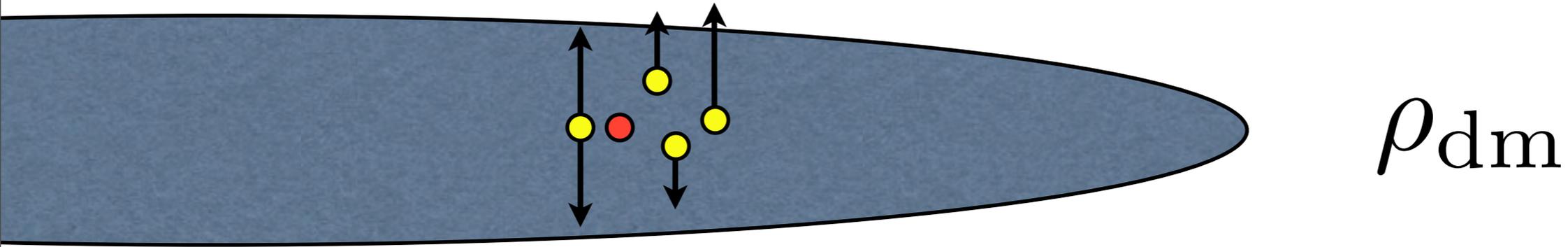
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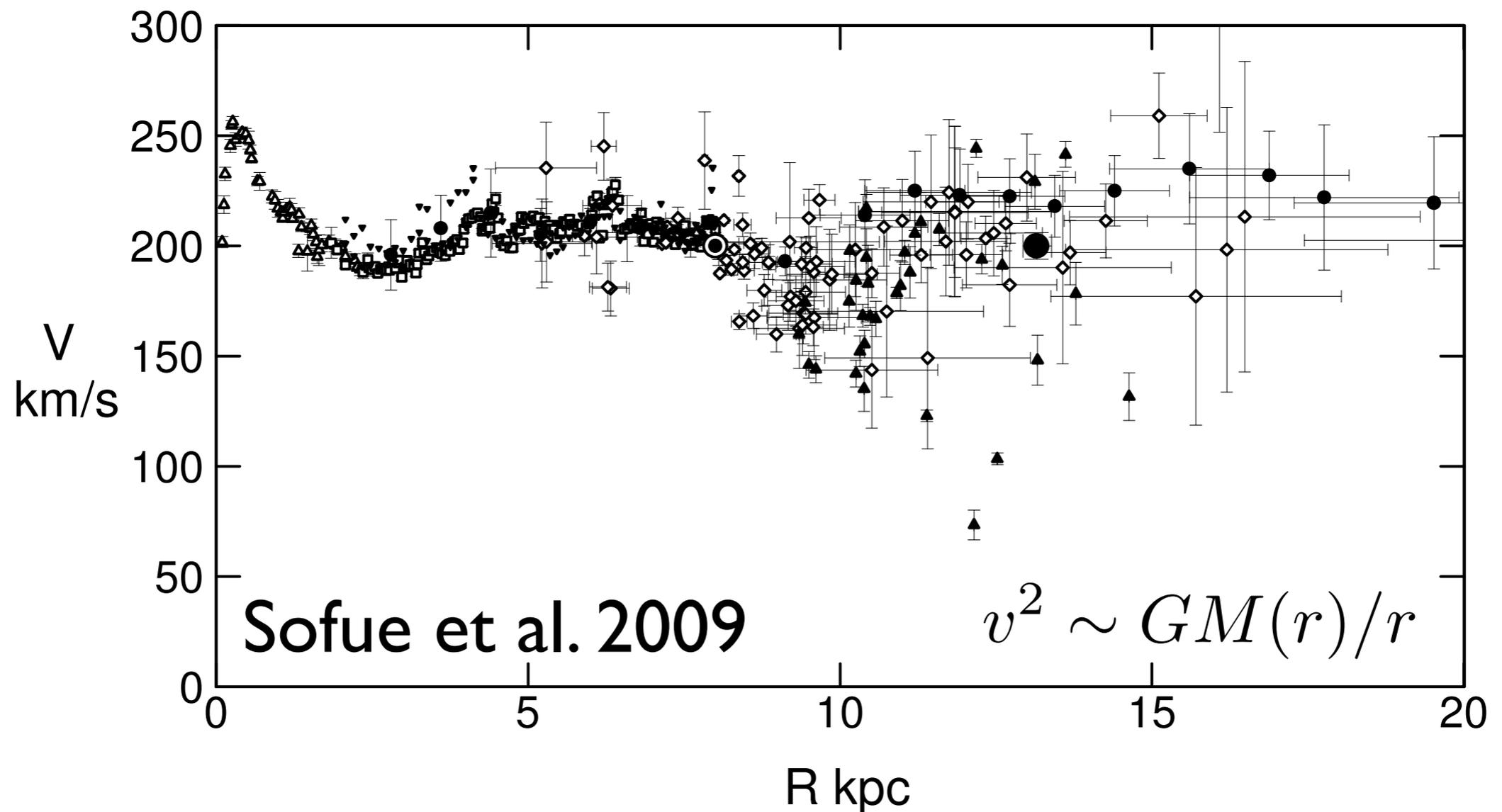
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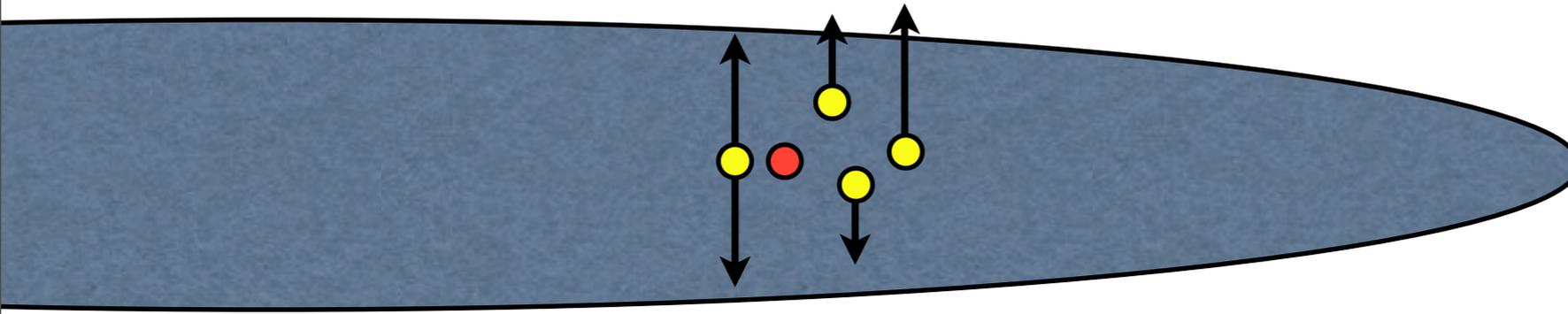


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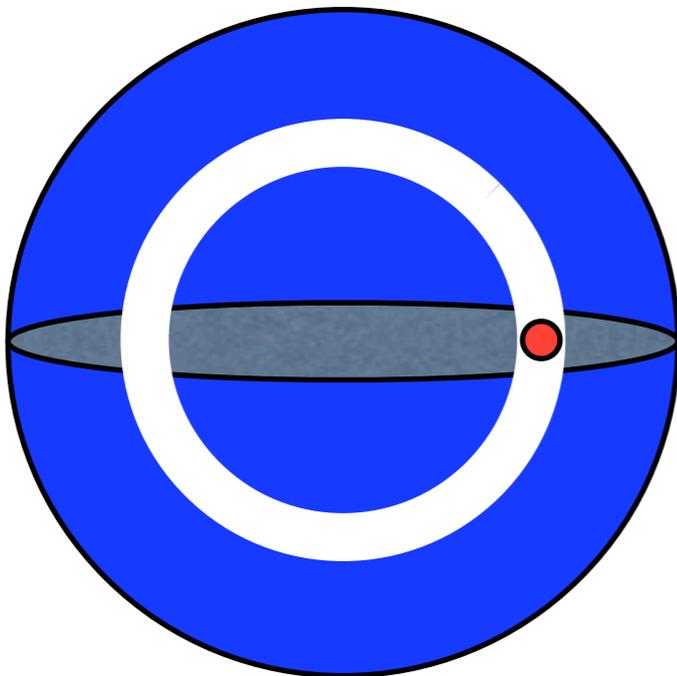
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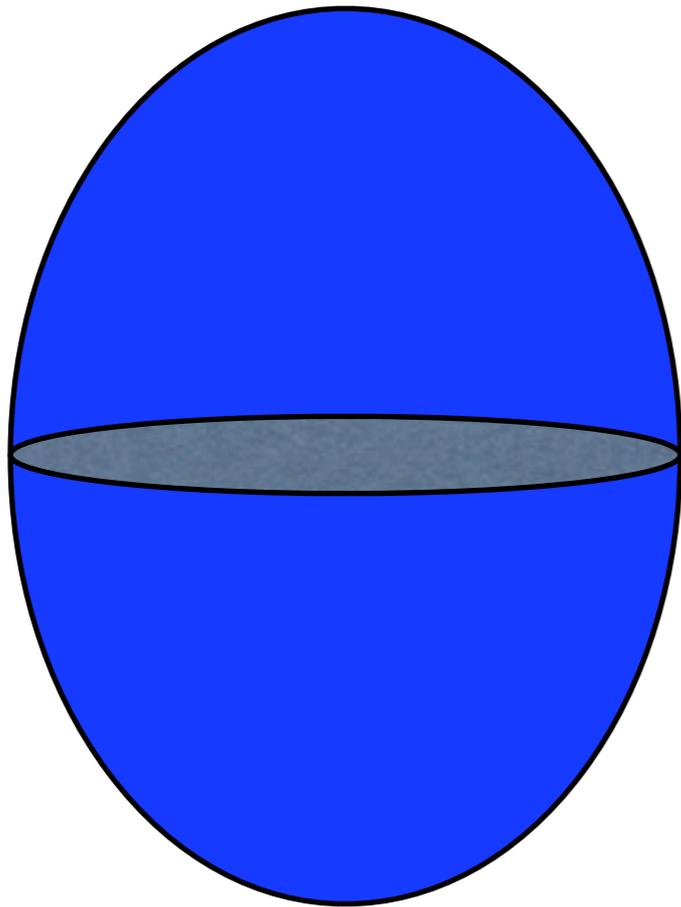


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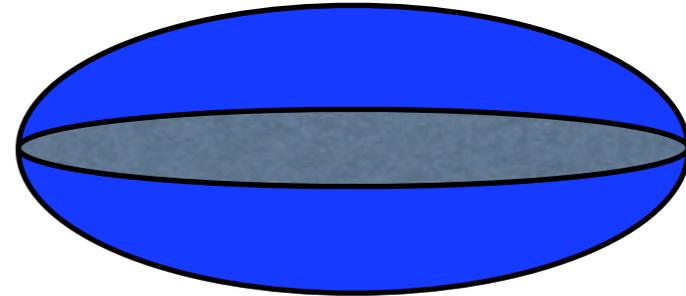
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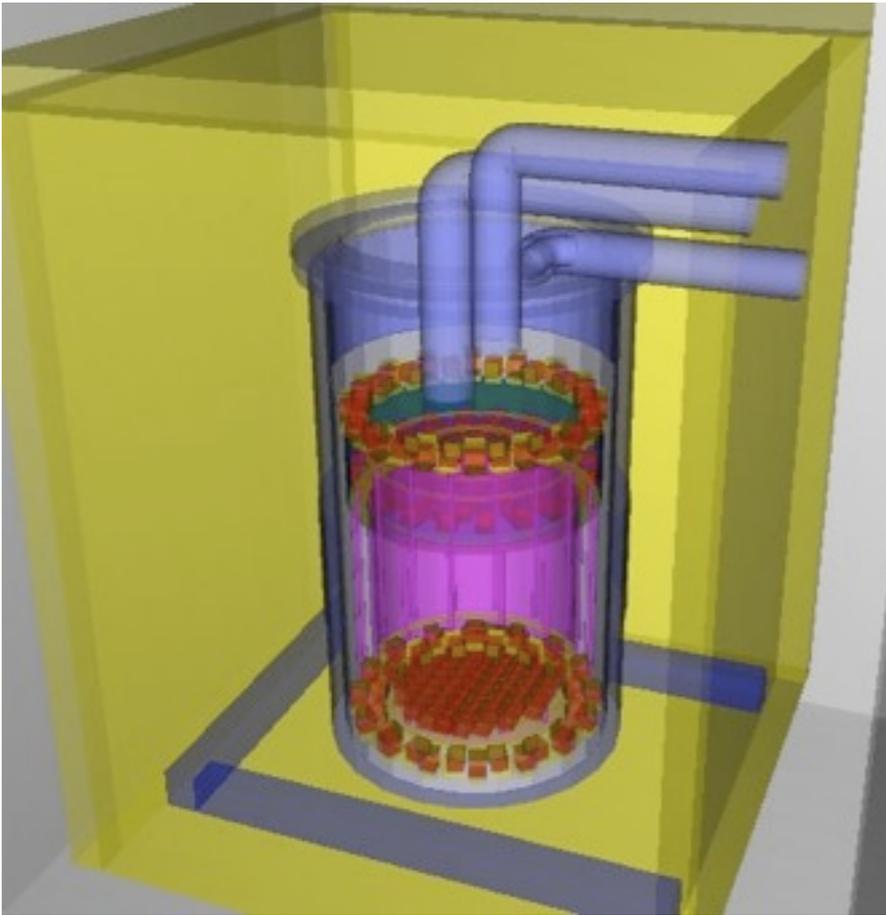
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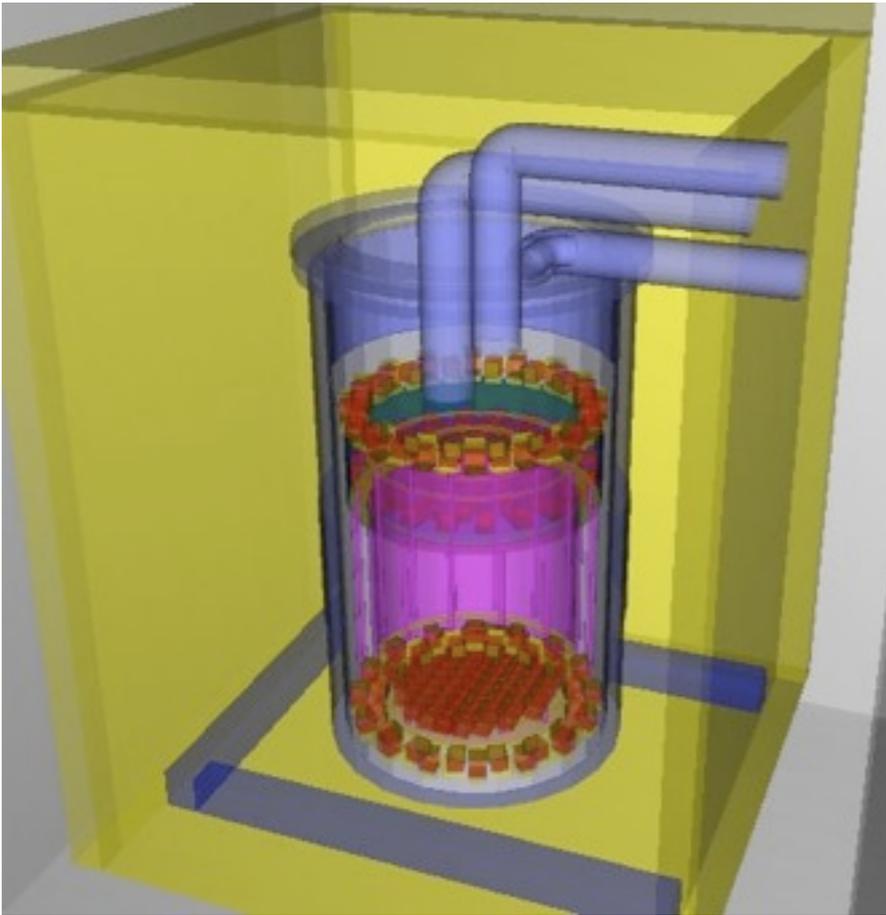
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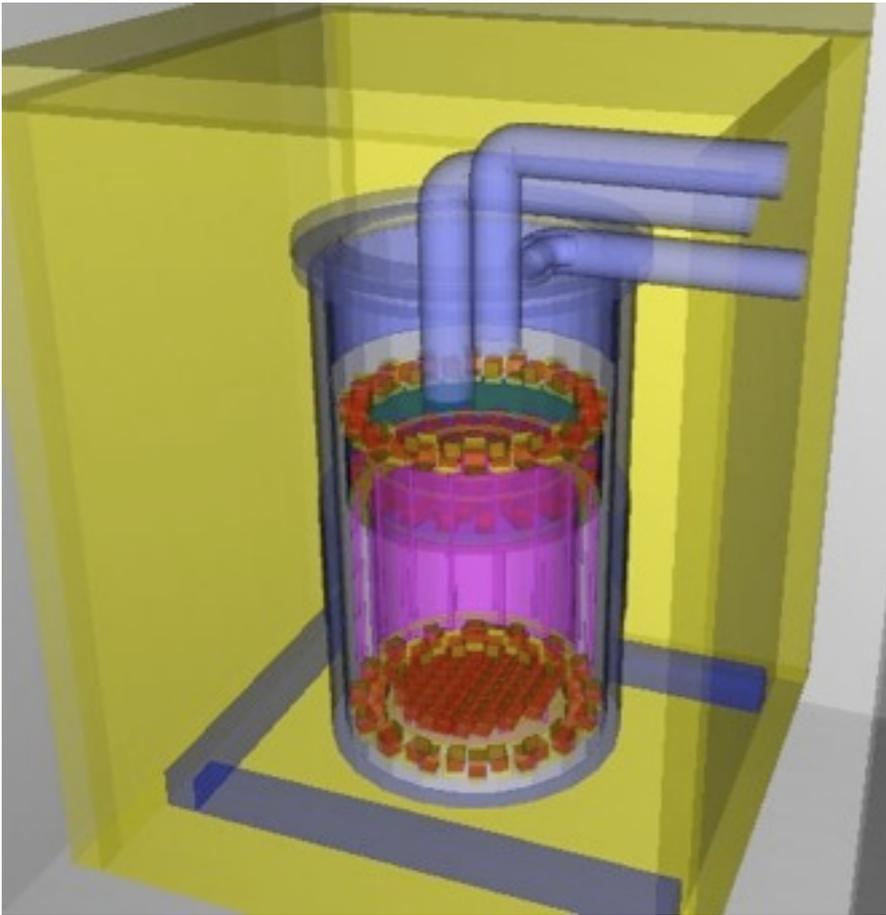


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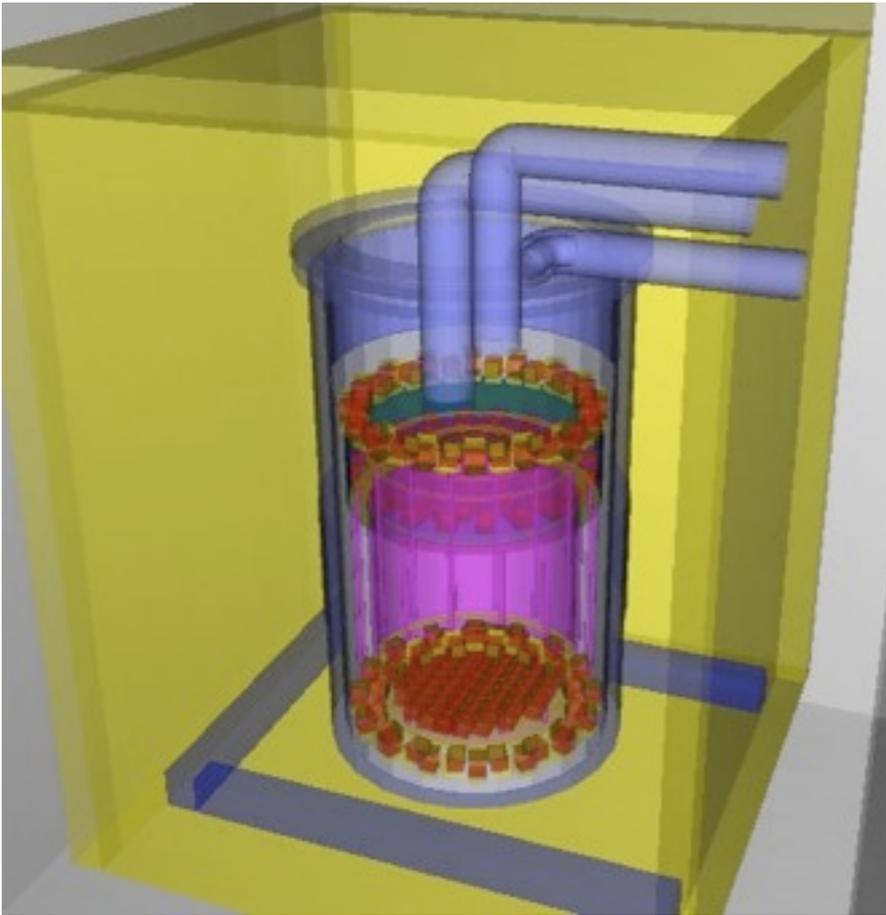


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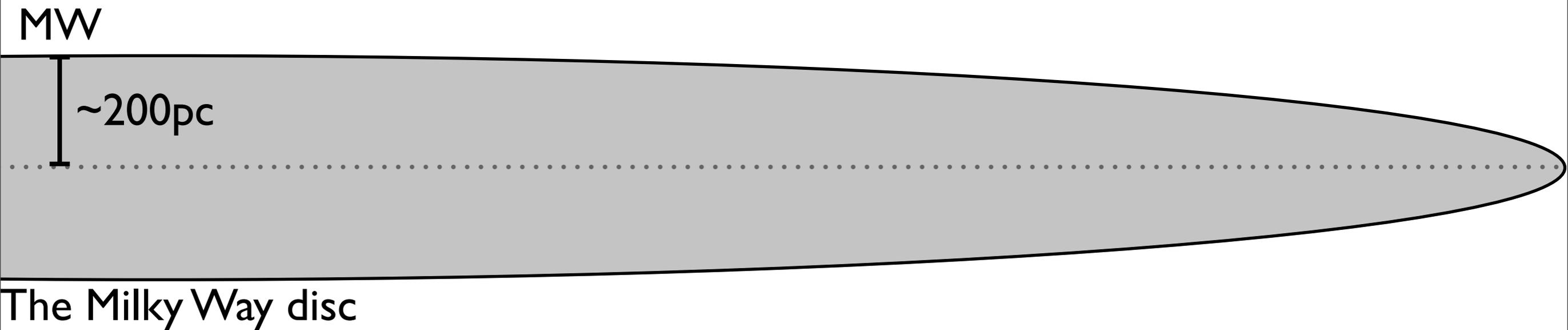
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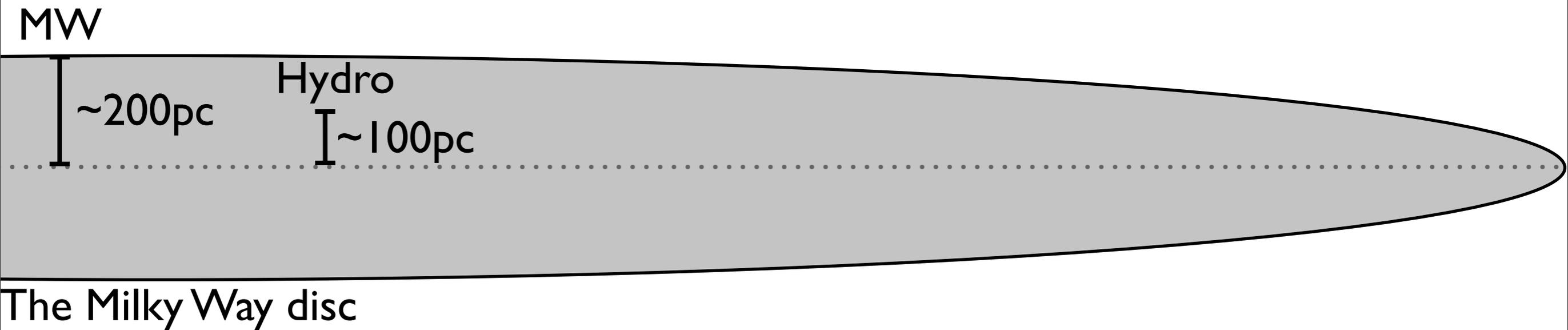
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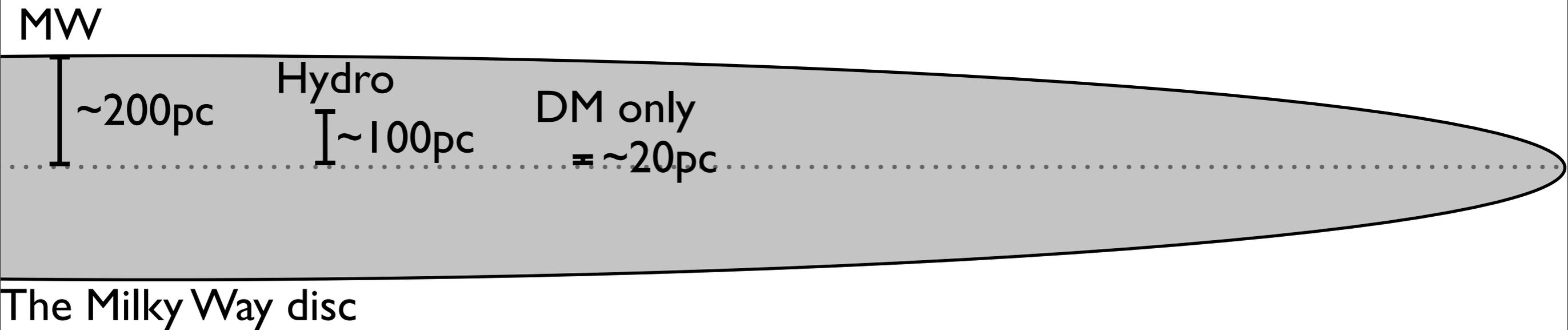
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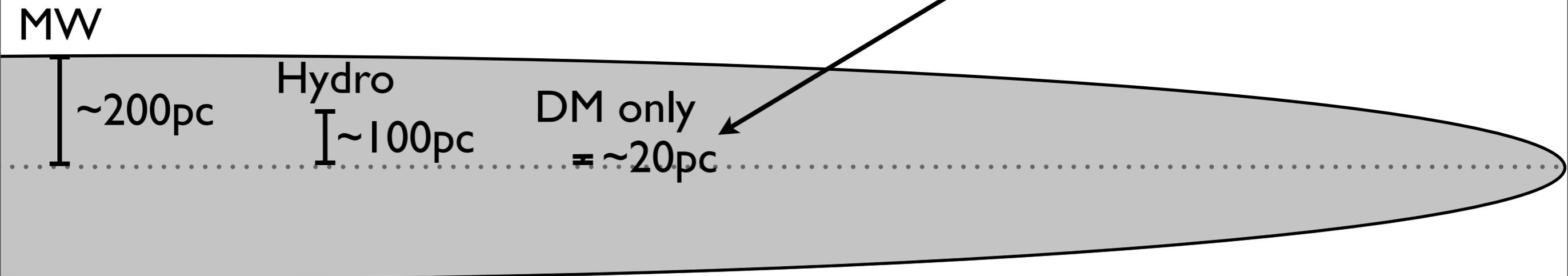
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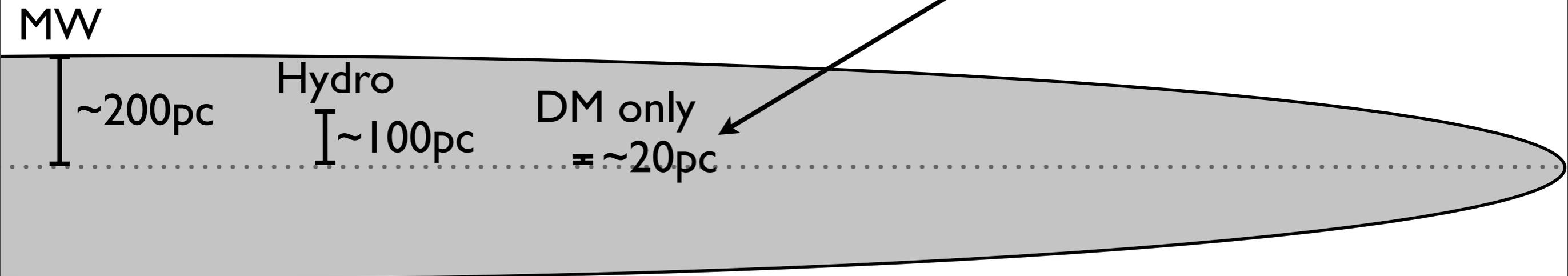


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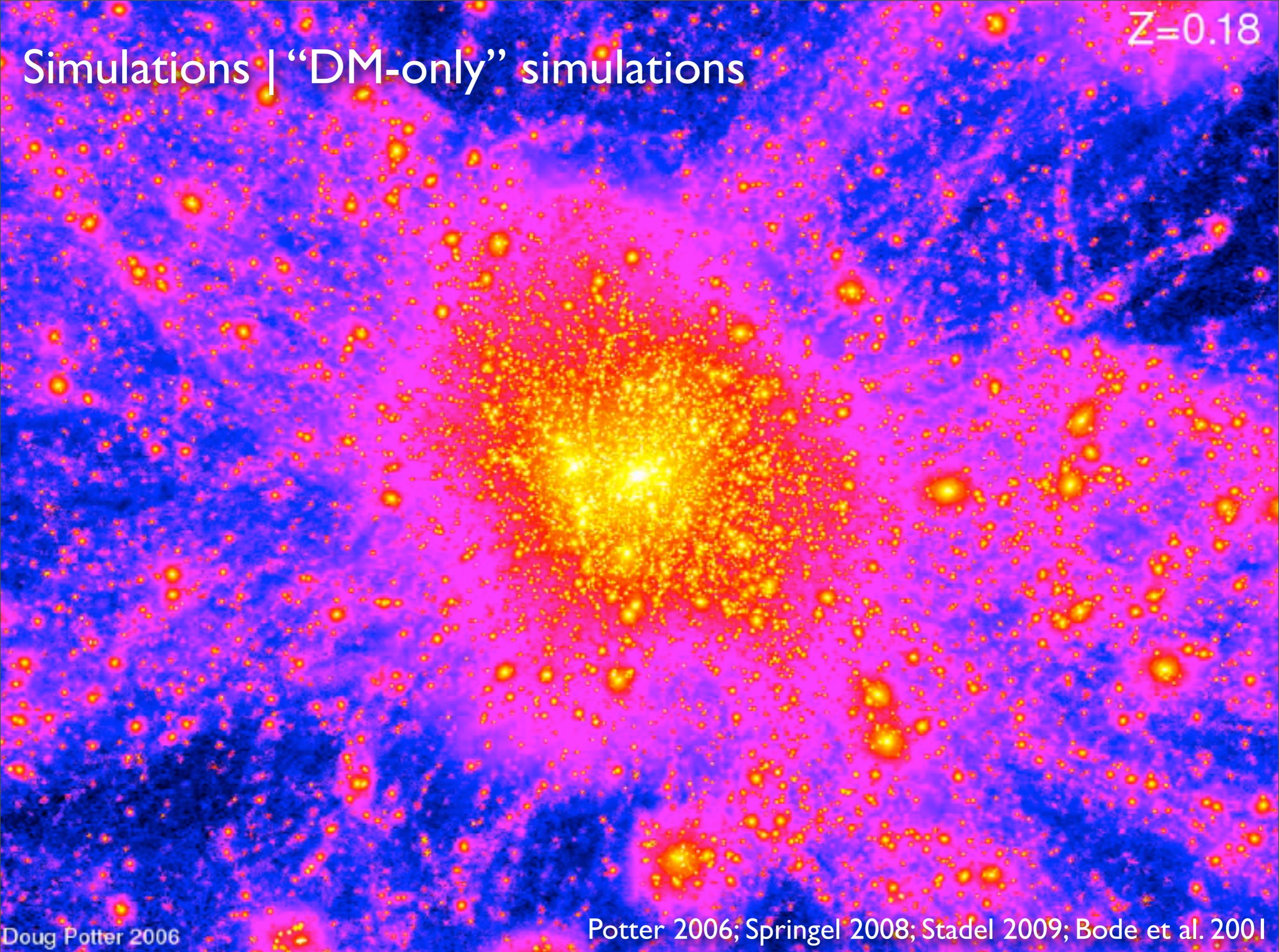


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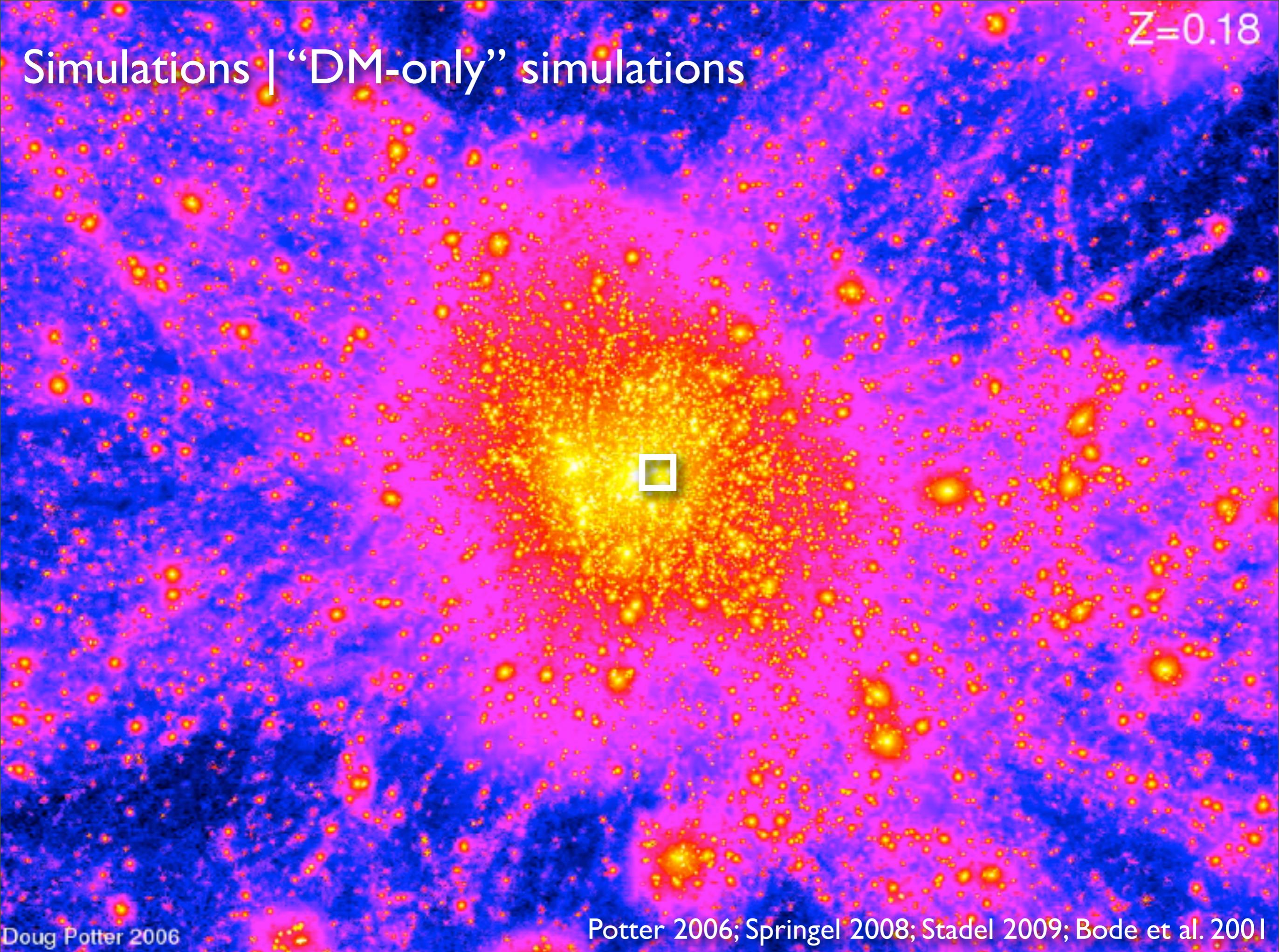
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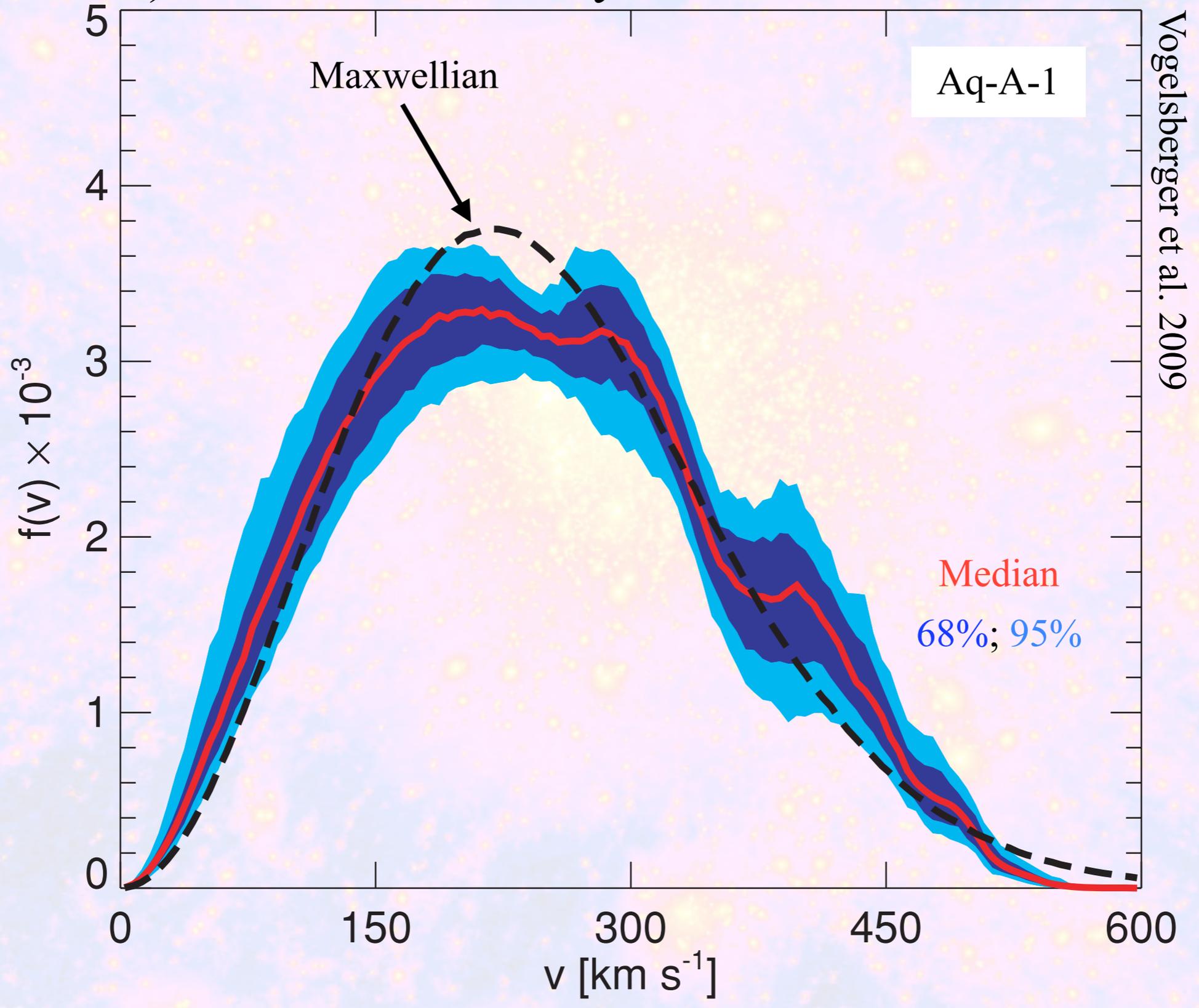
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b) Local DM velocity PDF



Vogelsberger et al. 2009

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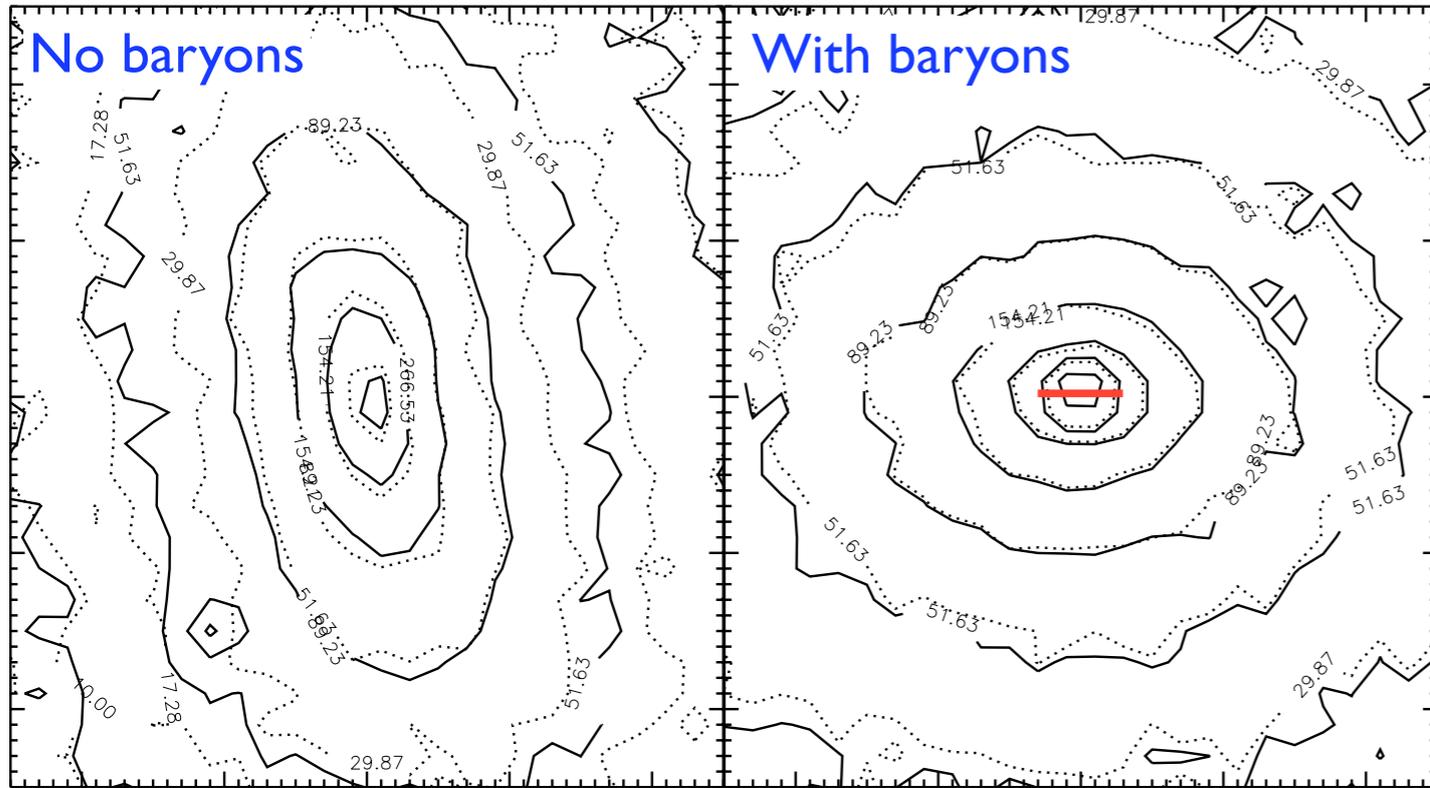
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~600 light years ~metres

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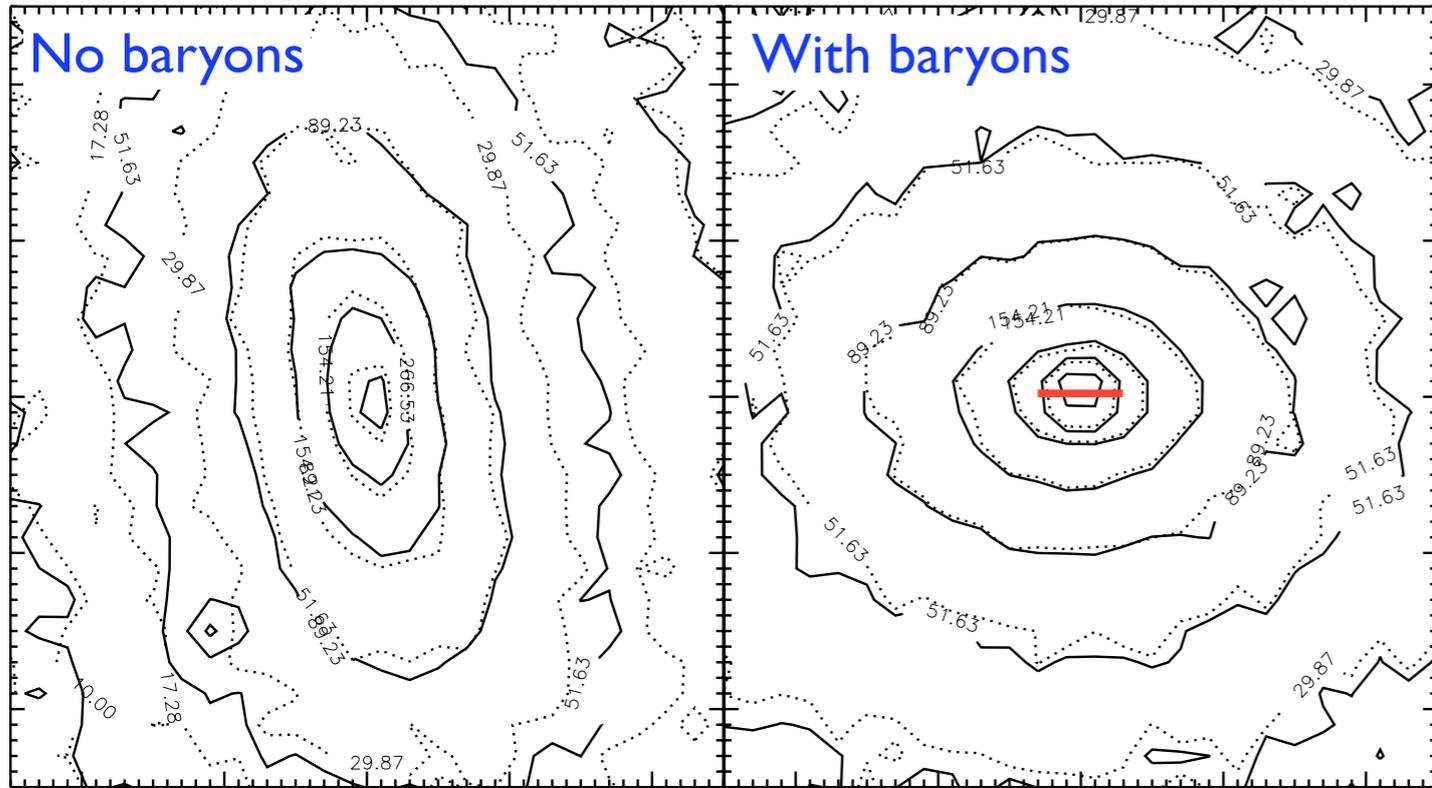
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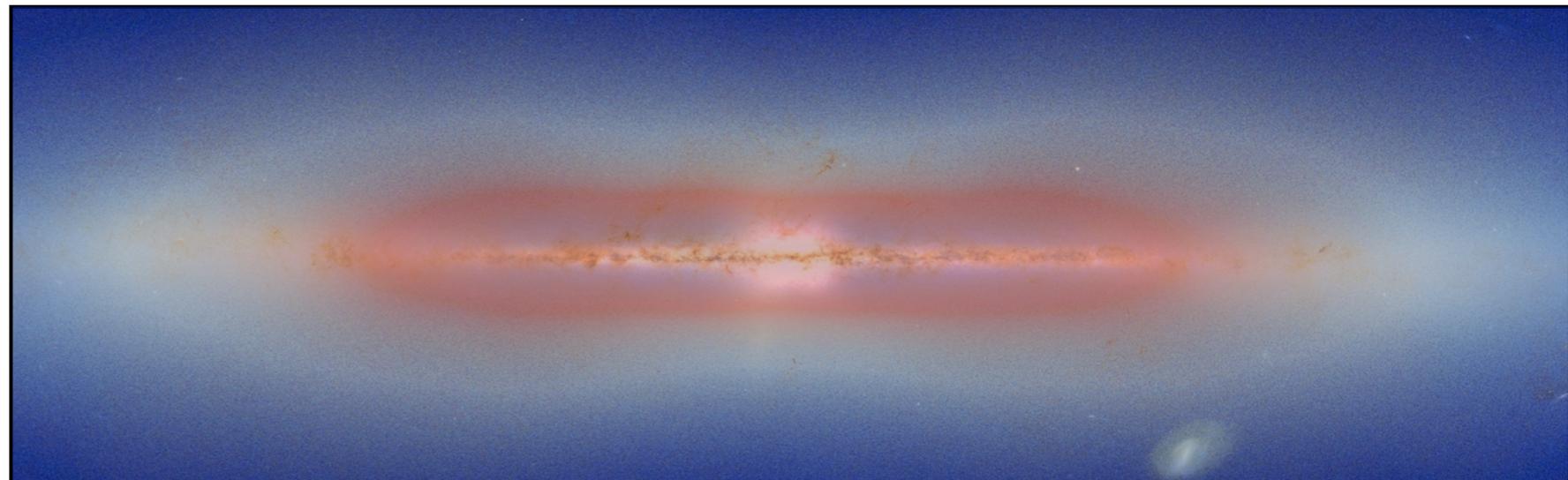
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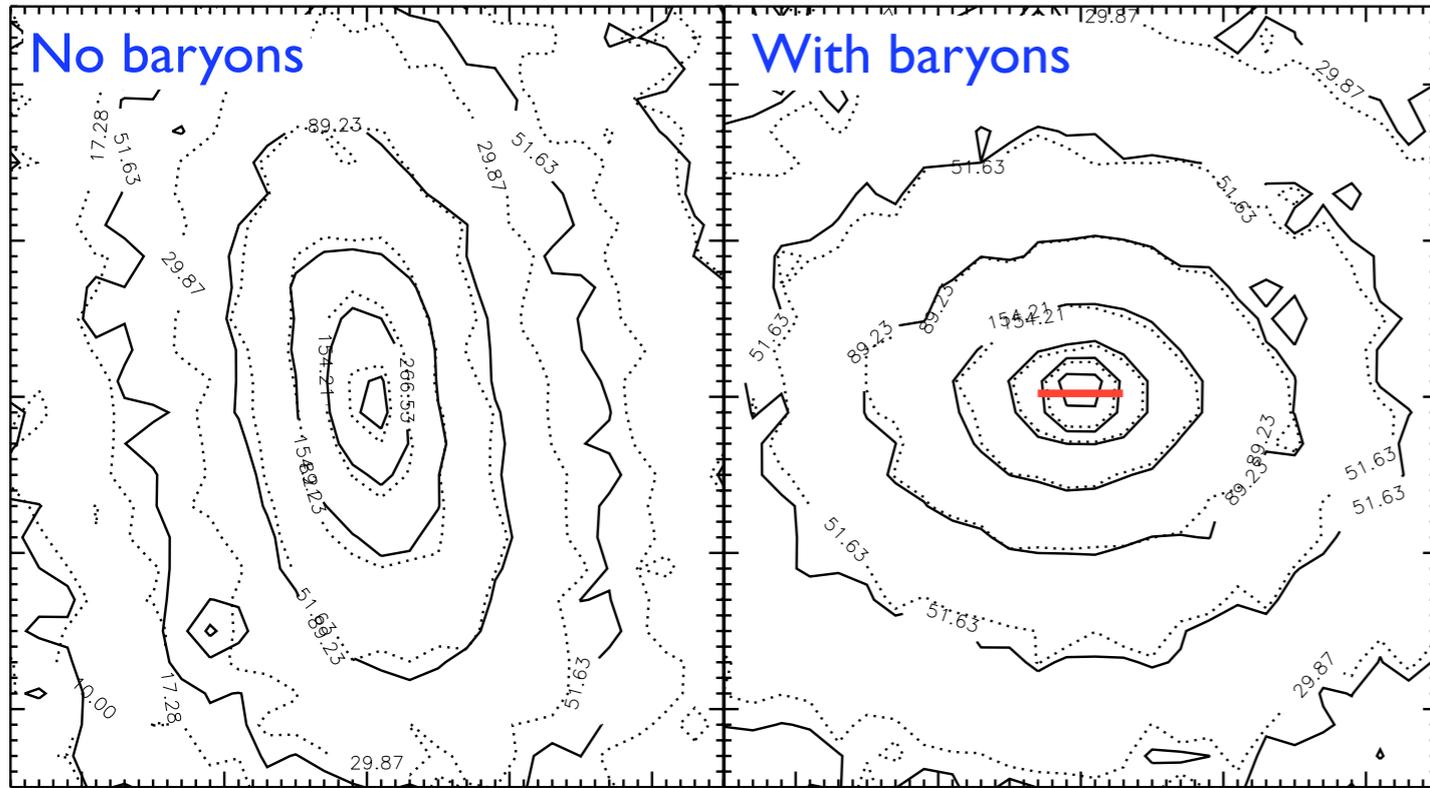
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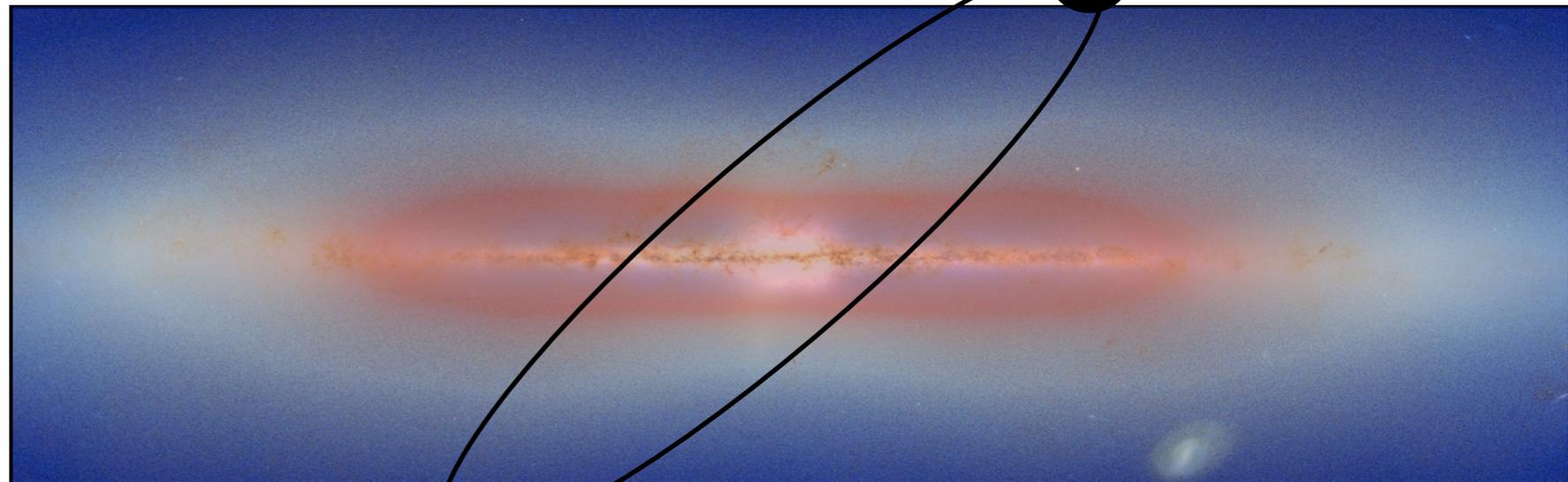
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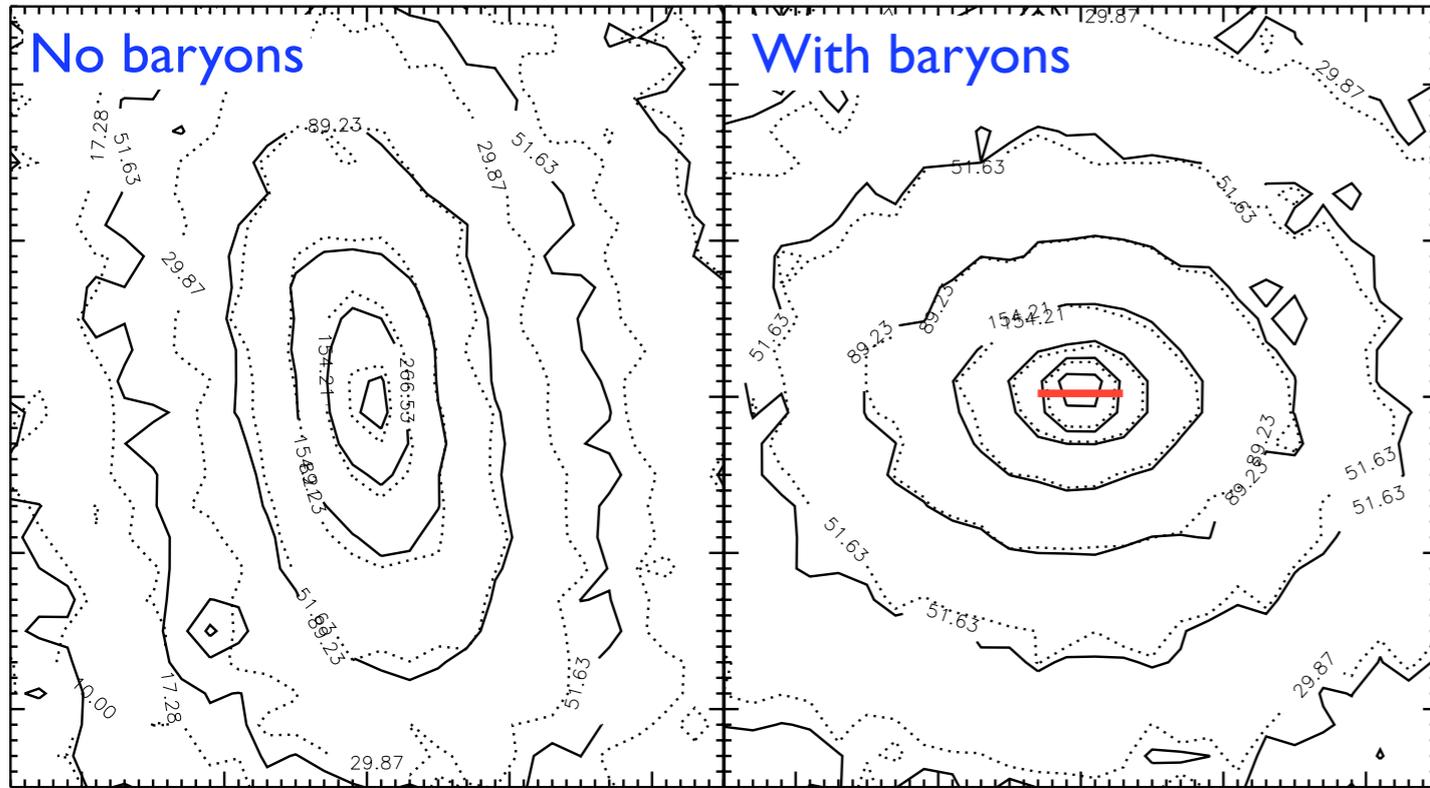
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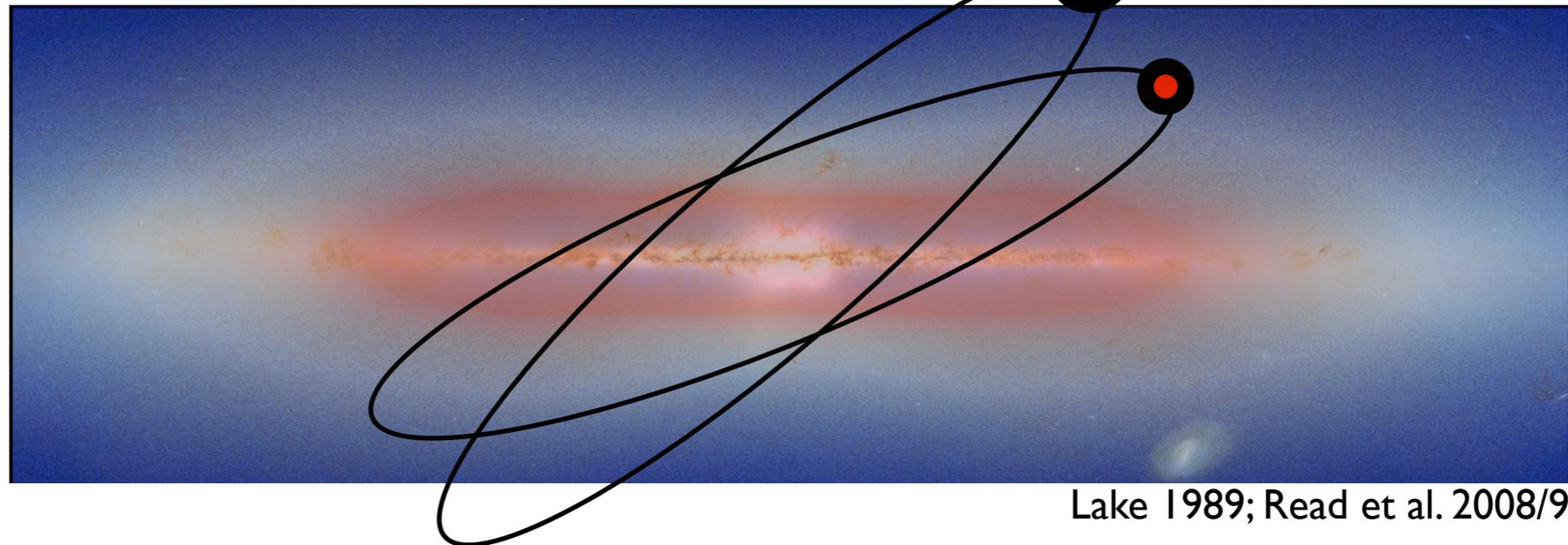
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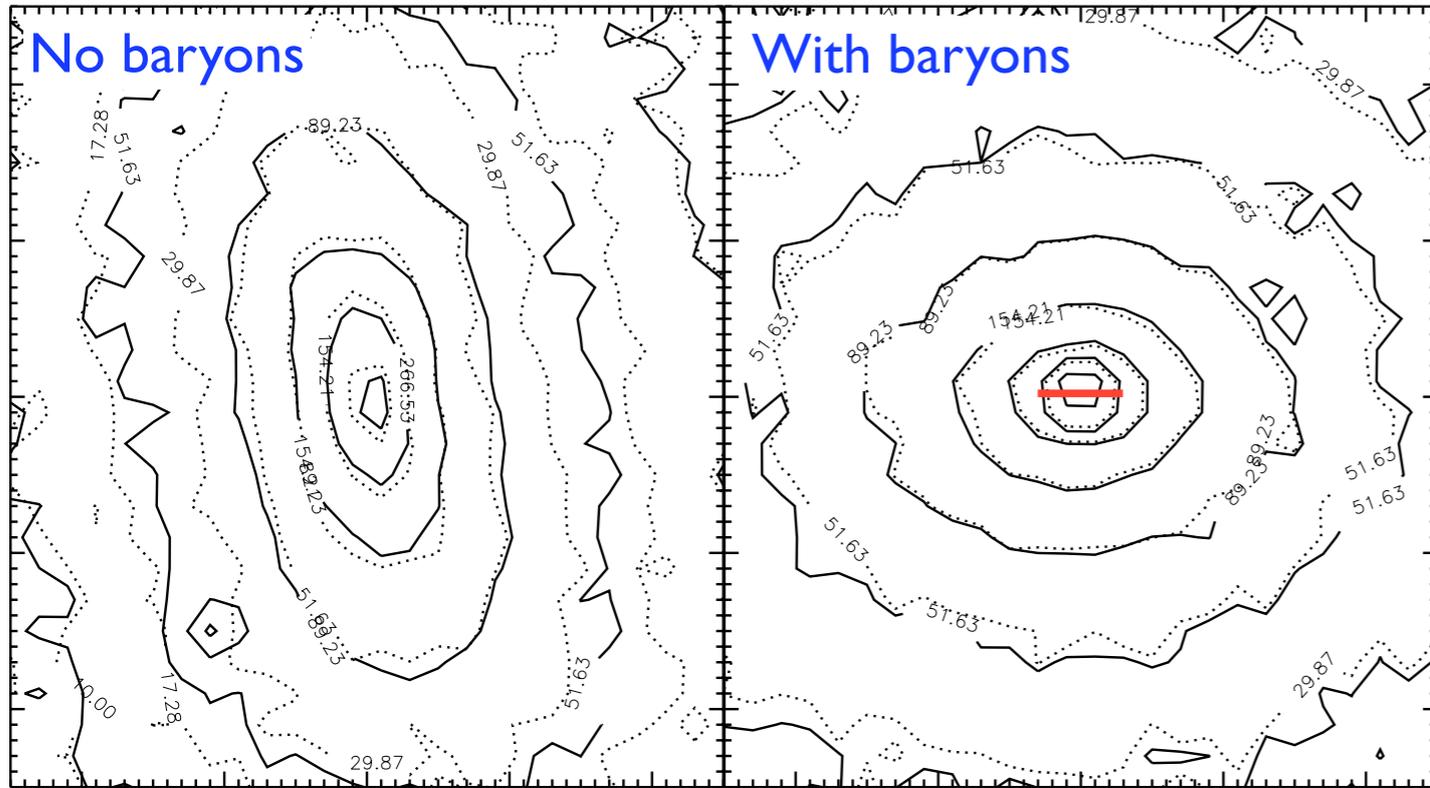
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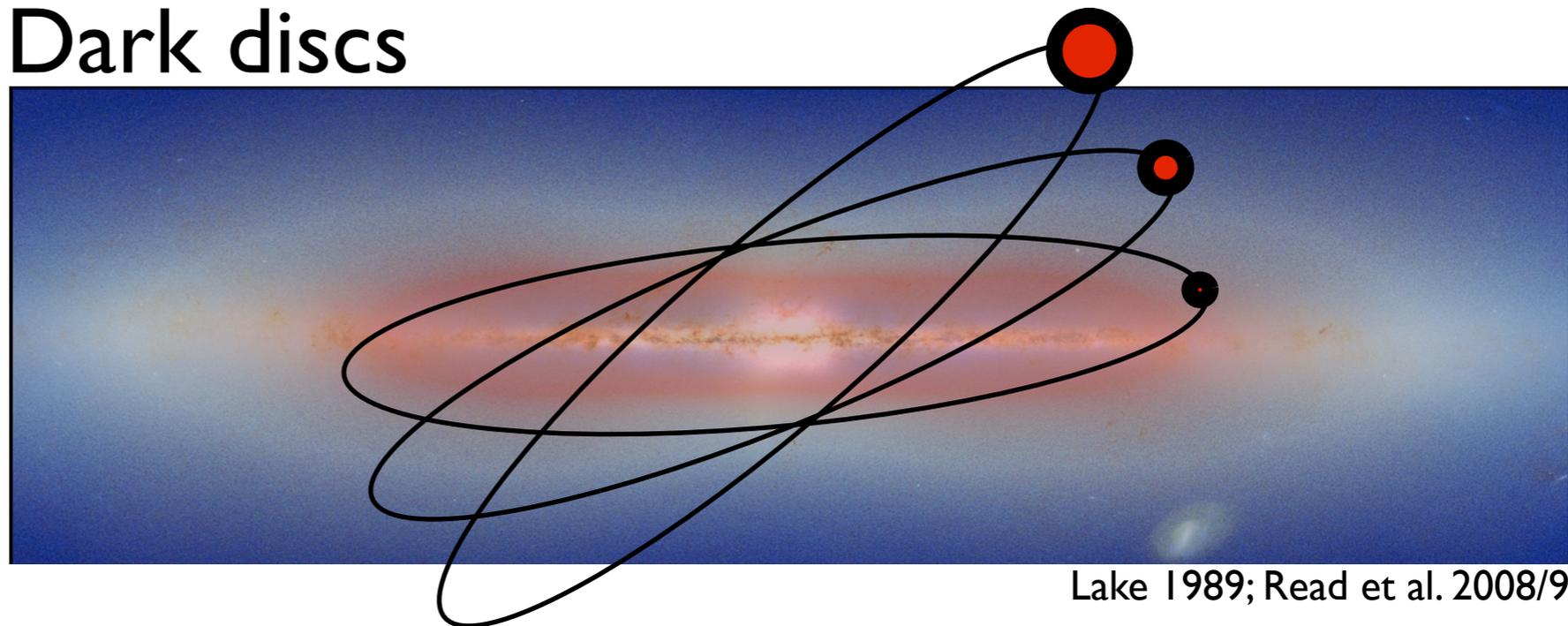
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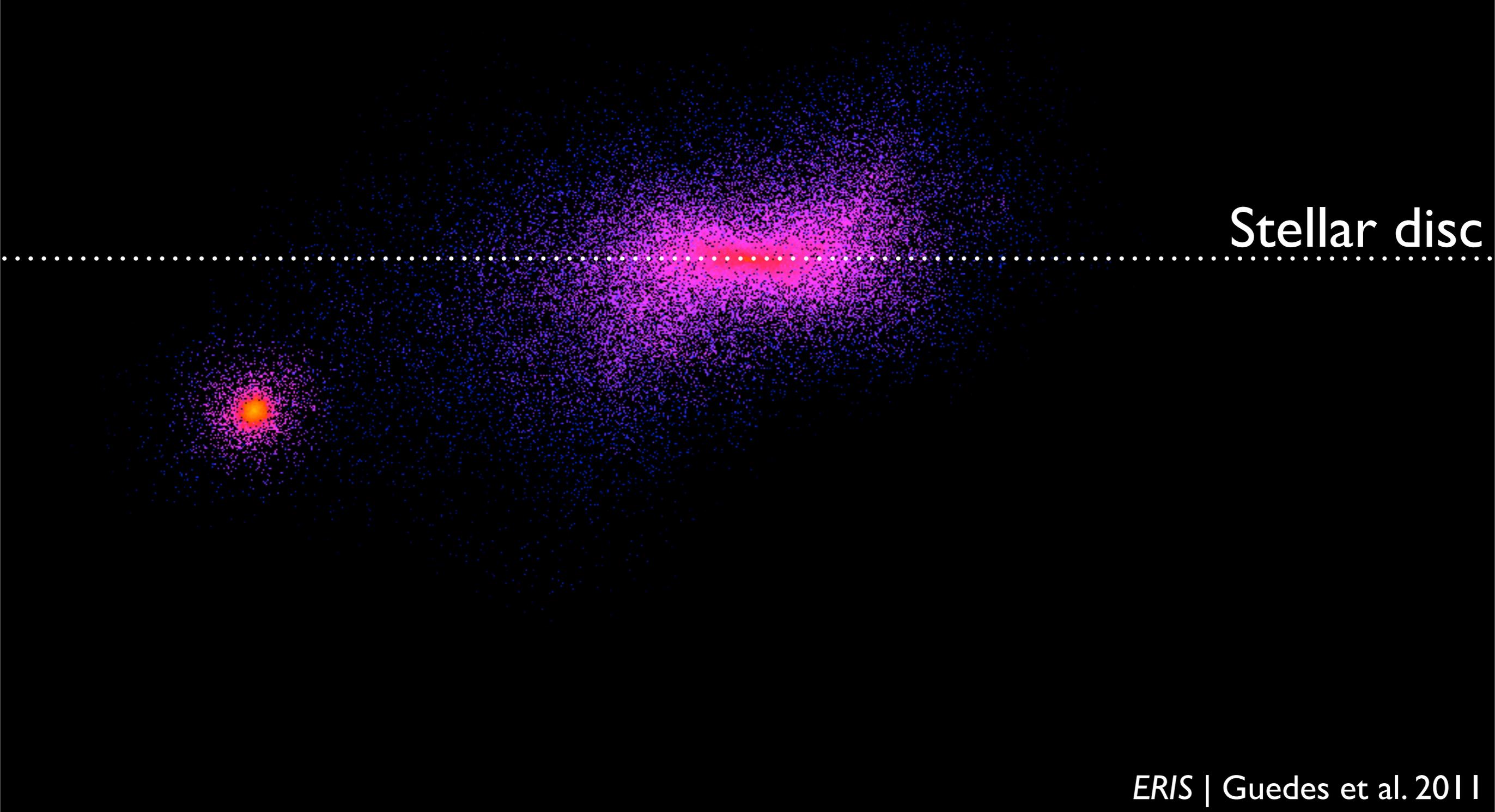
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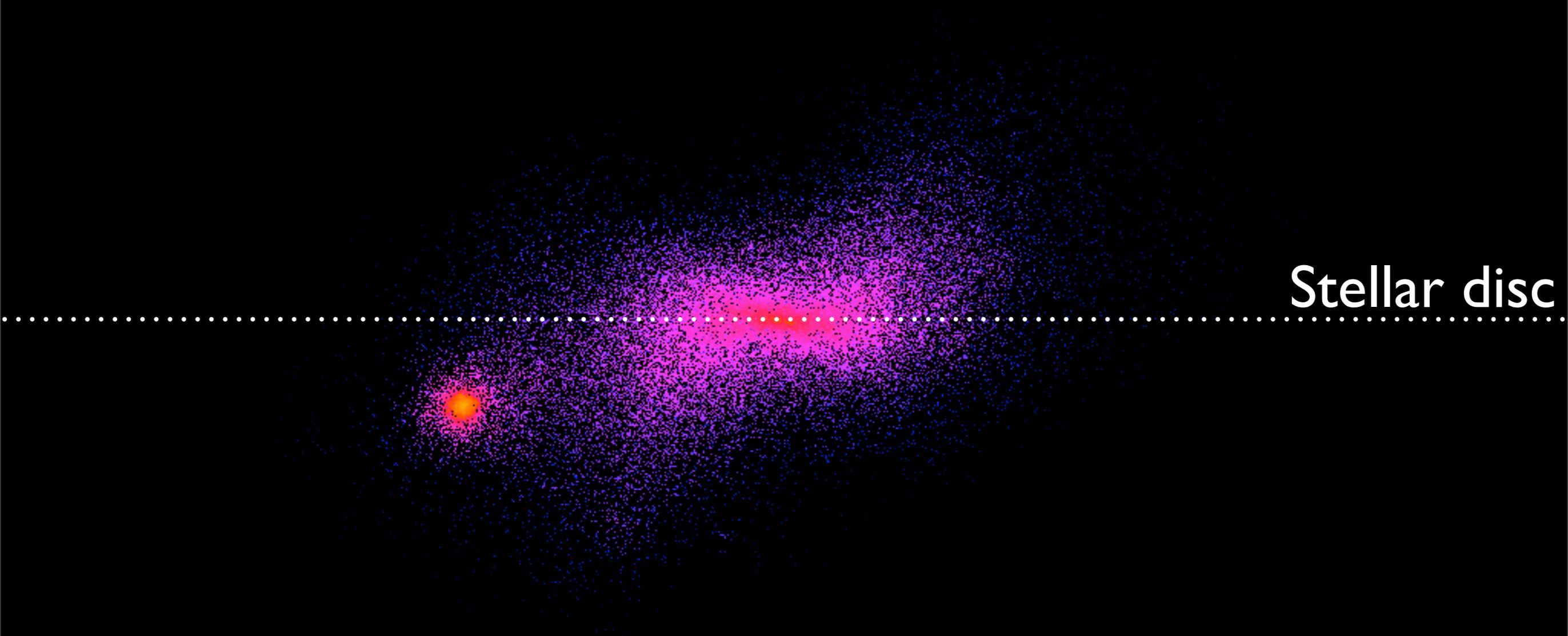
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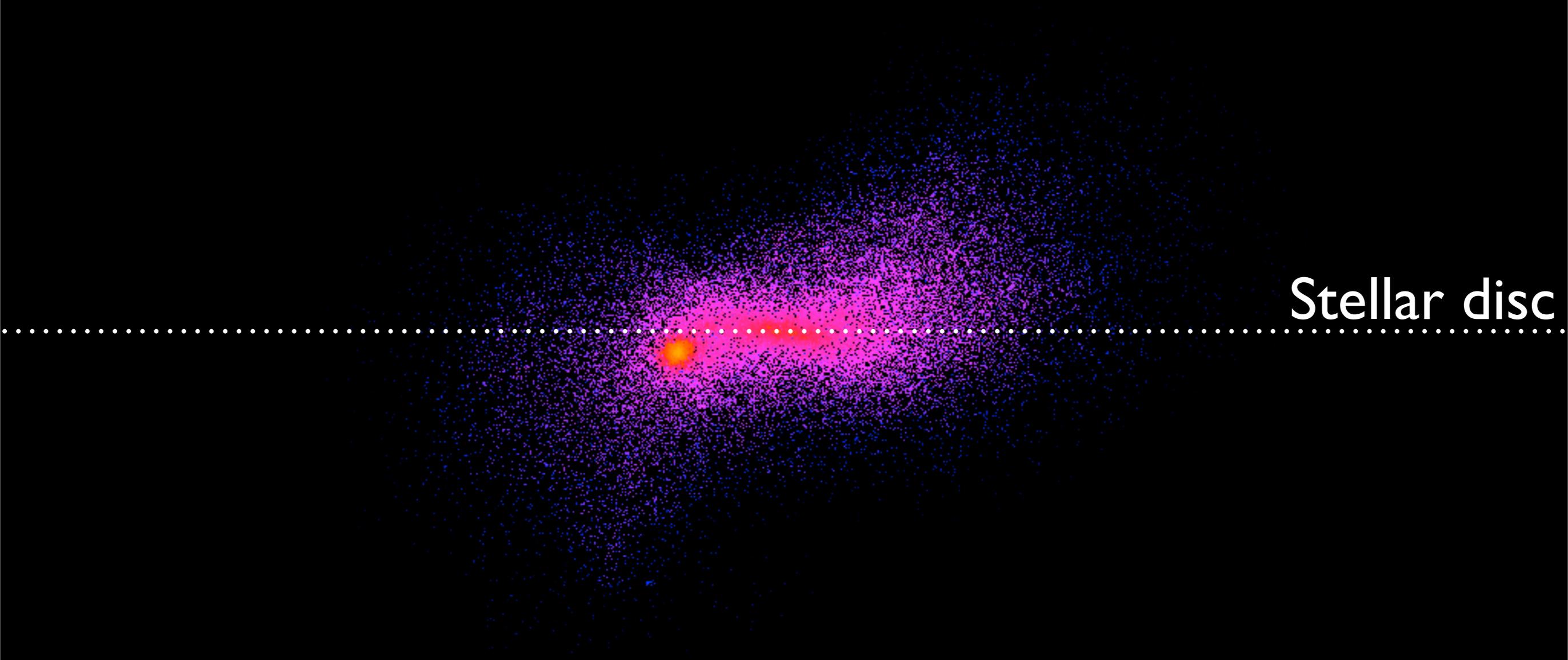
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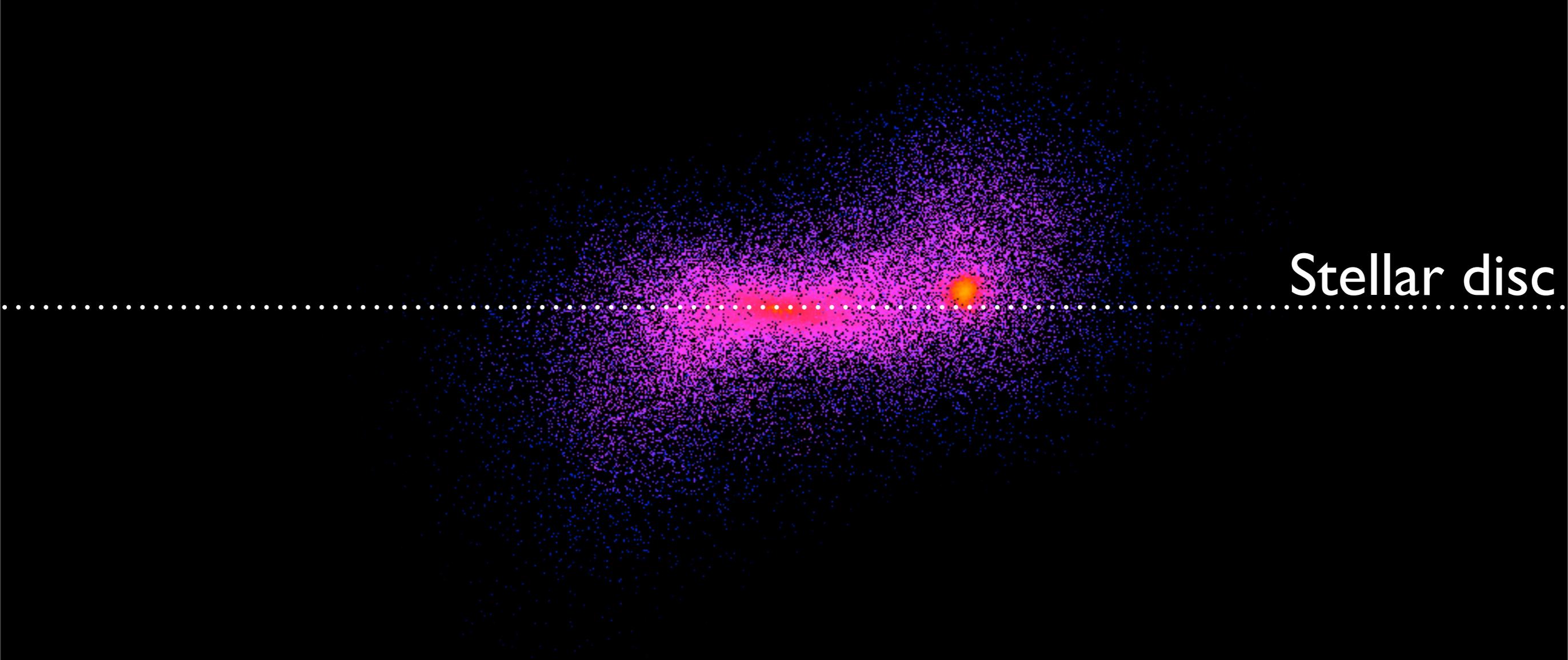
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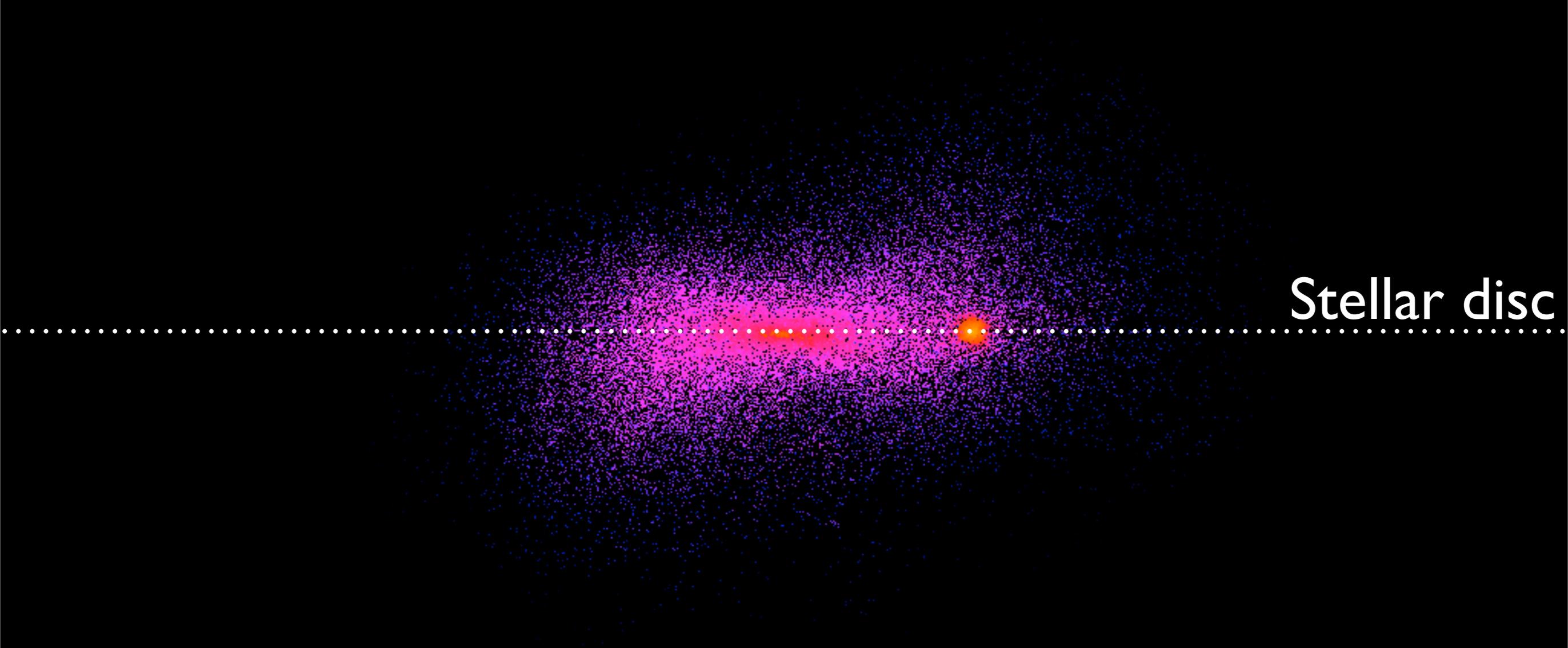
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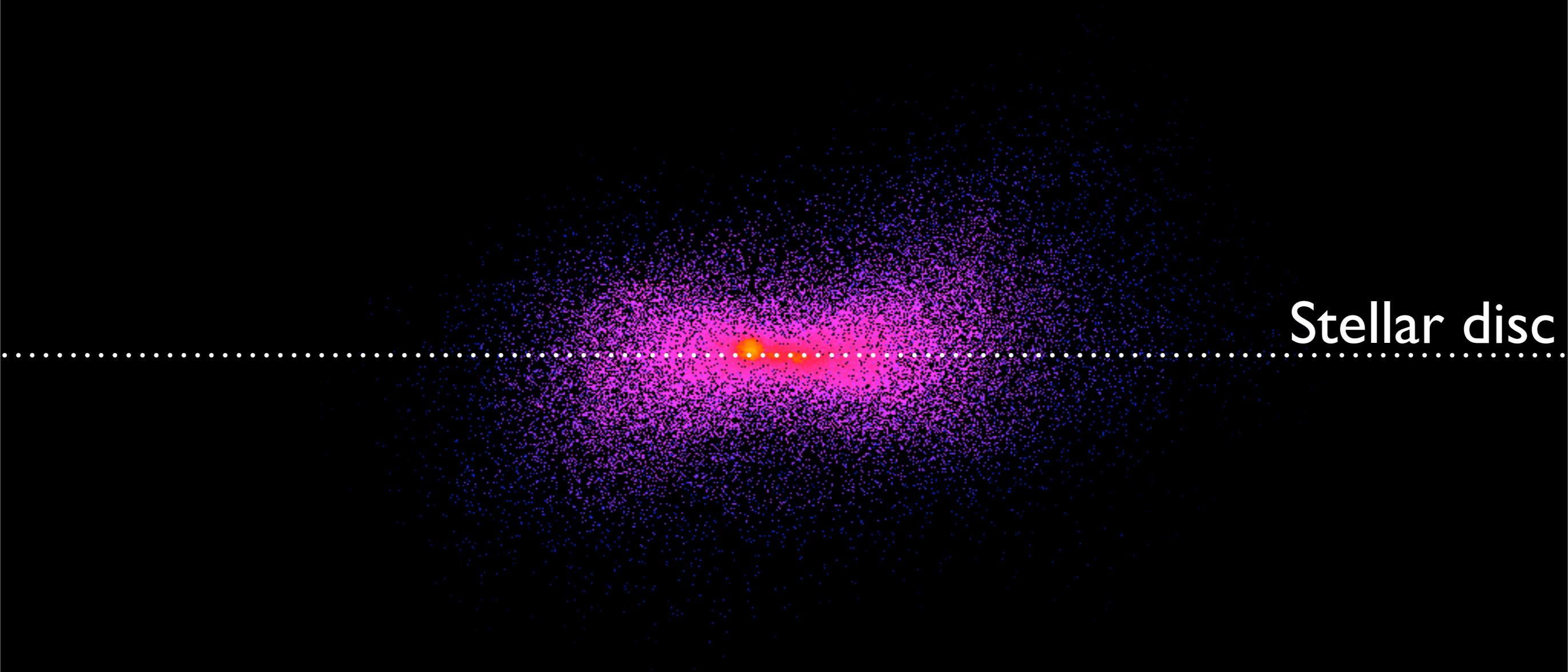
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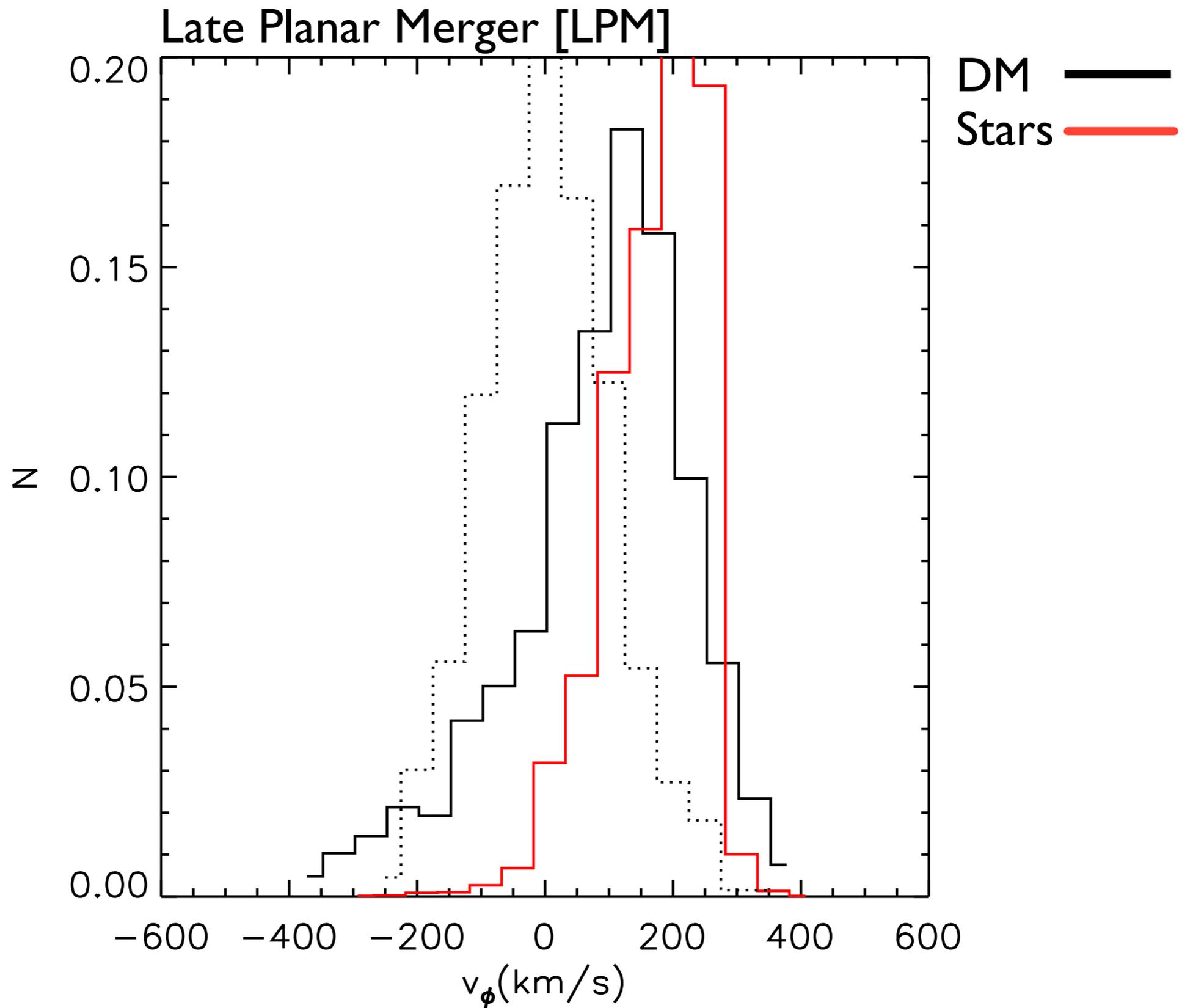
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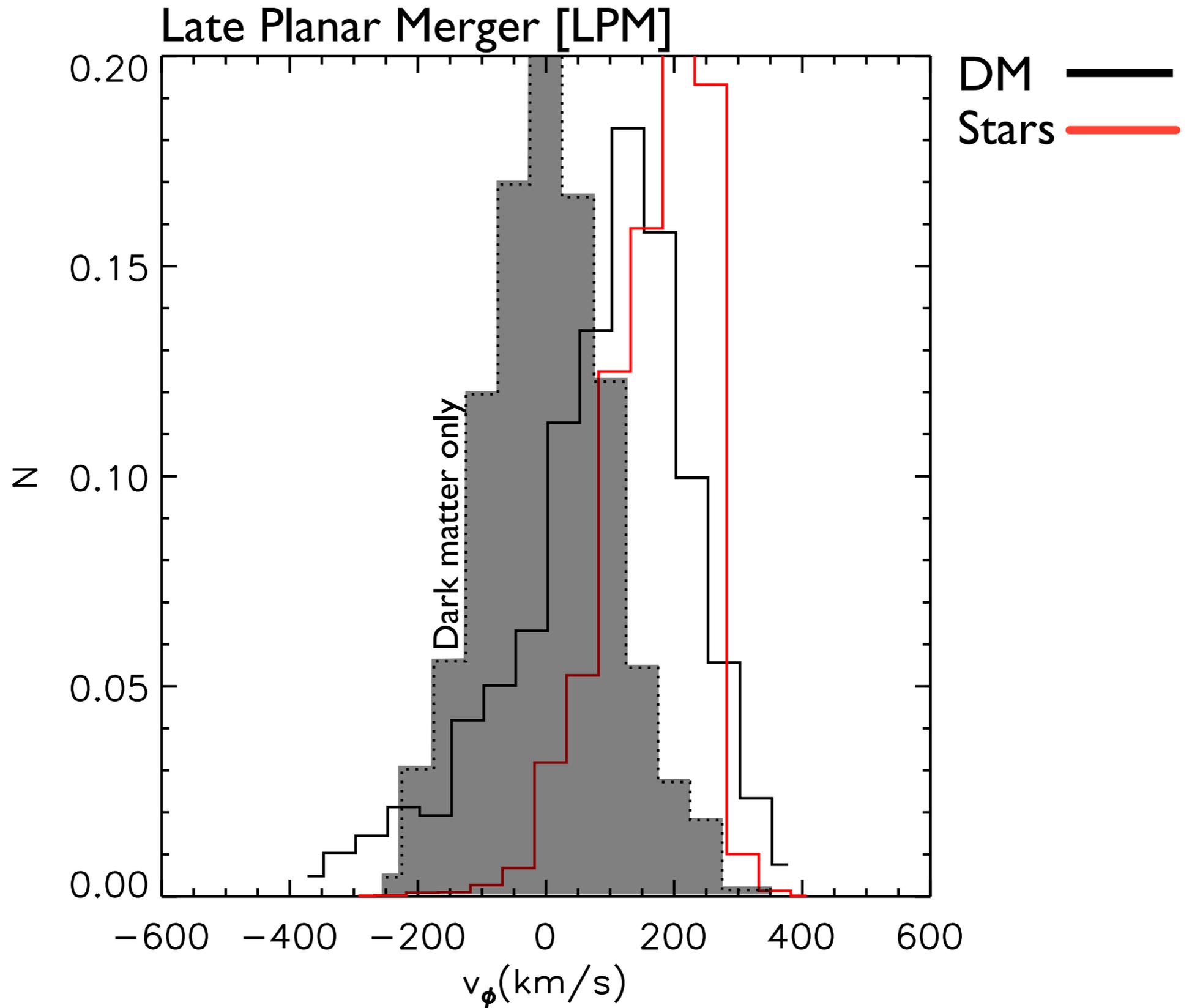
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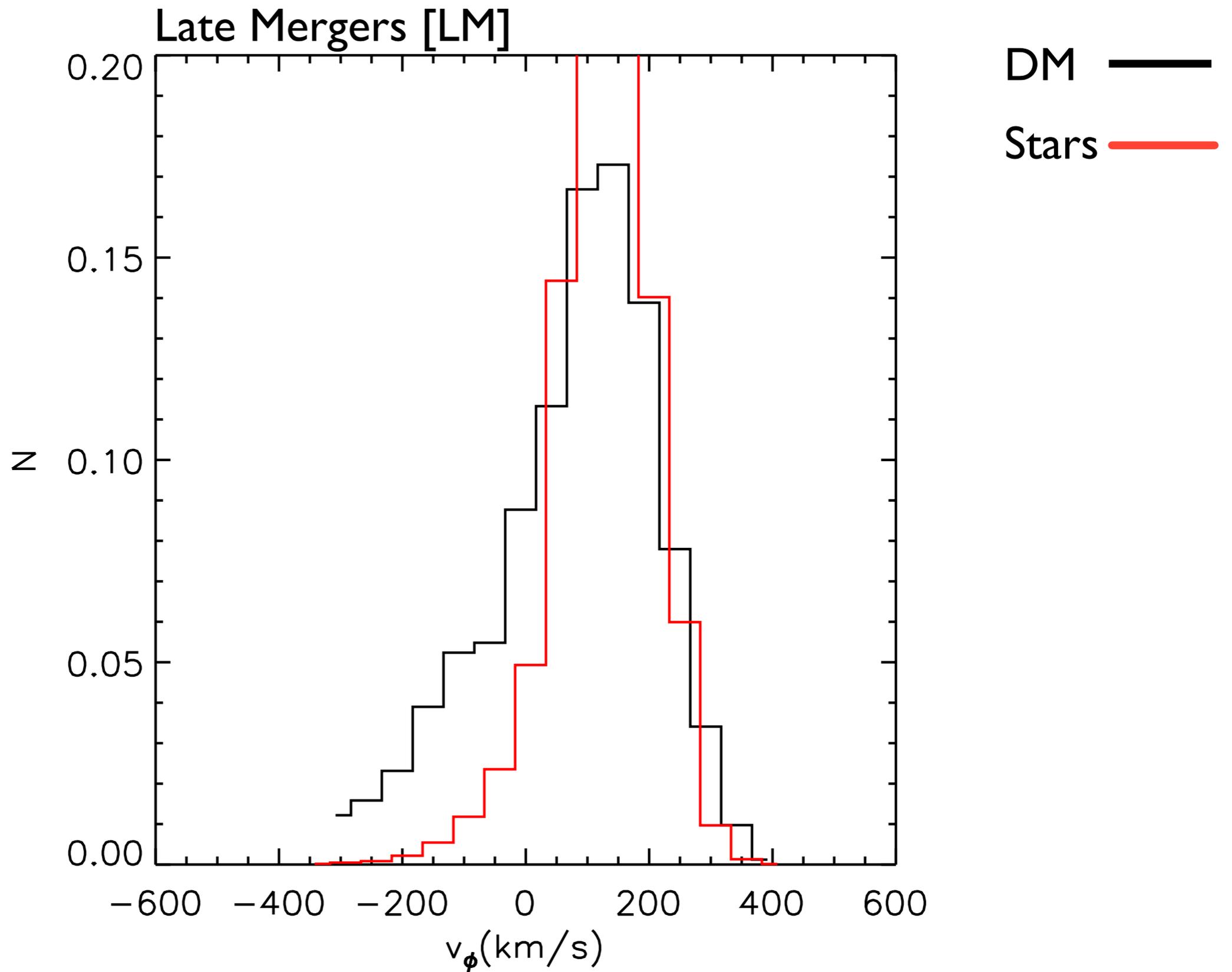
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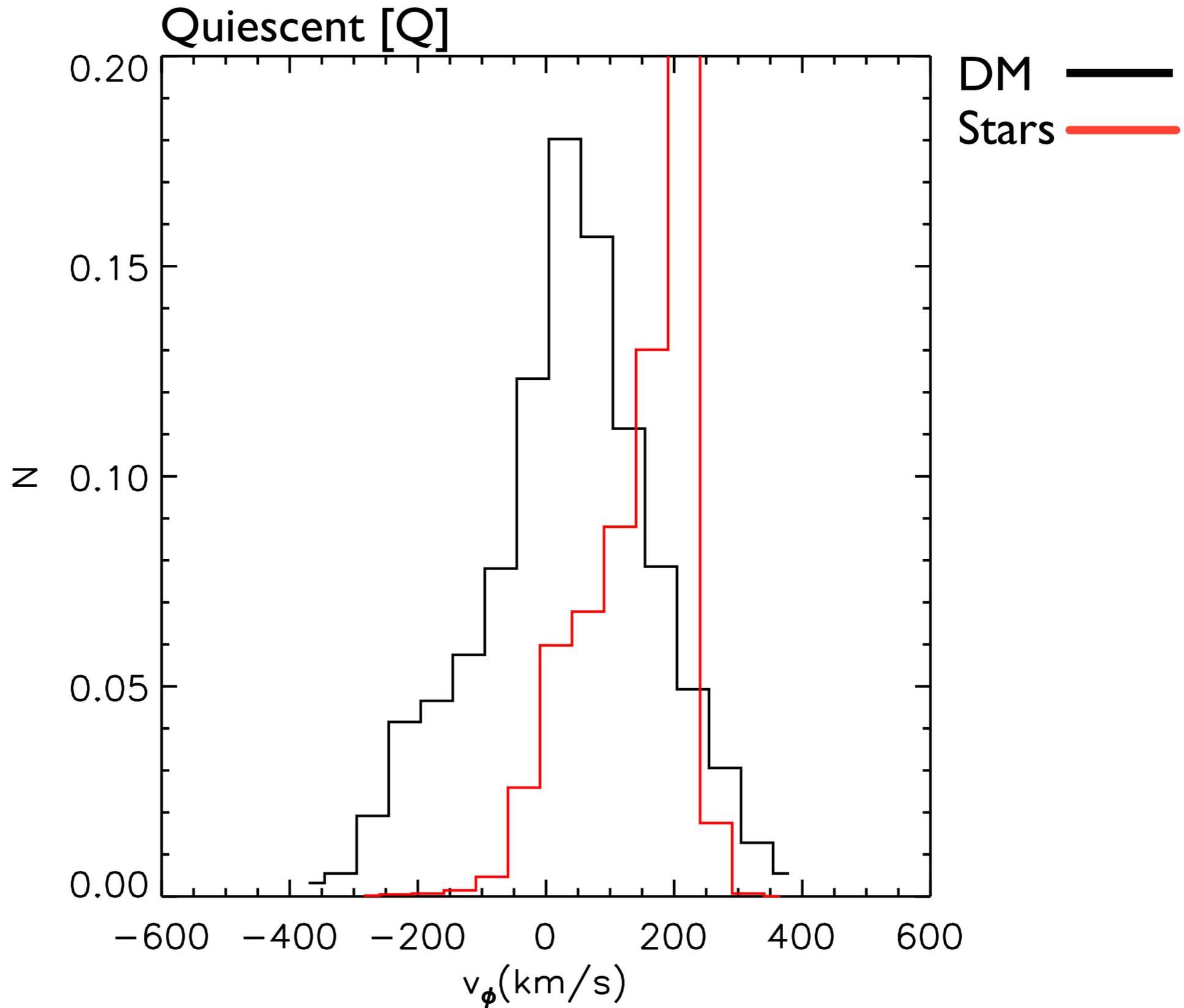
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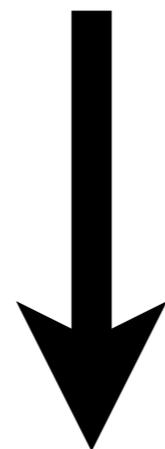
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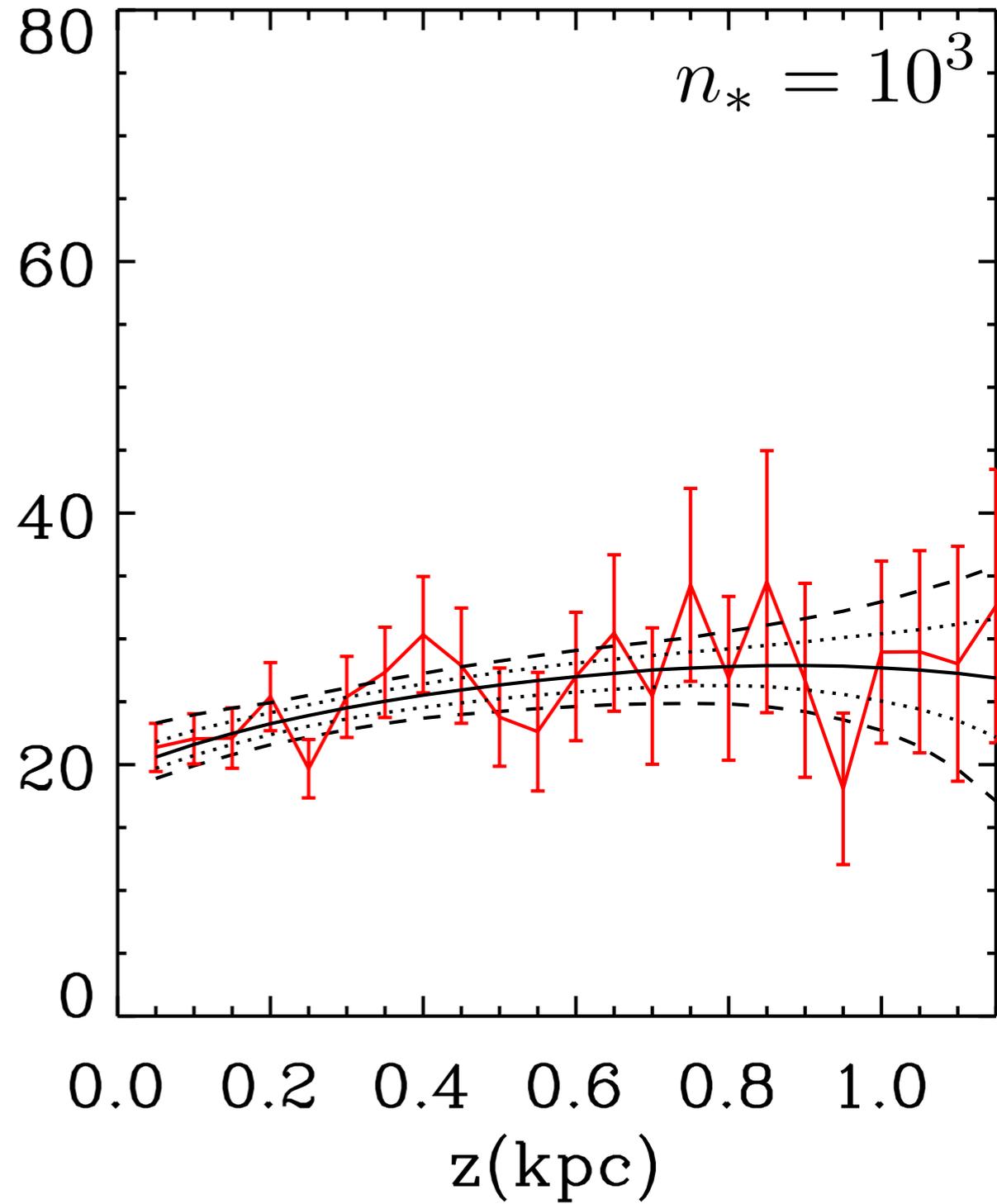
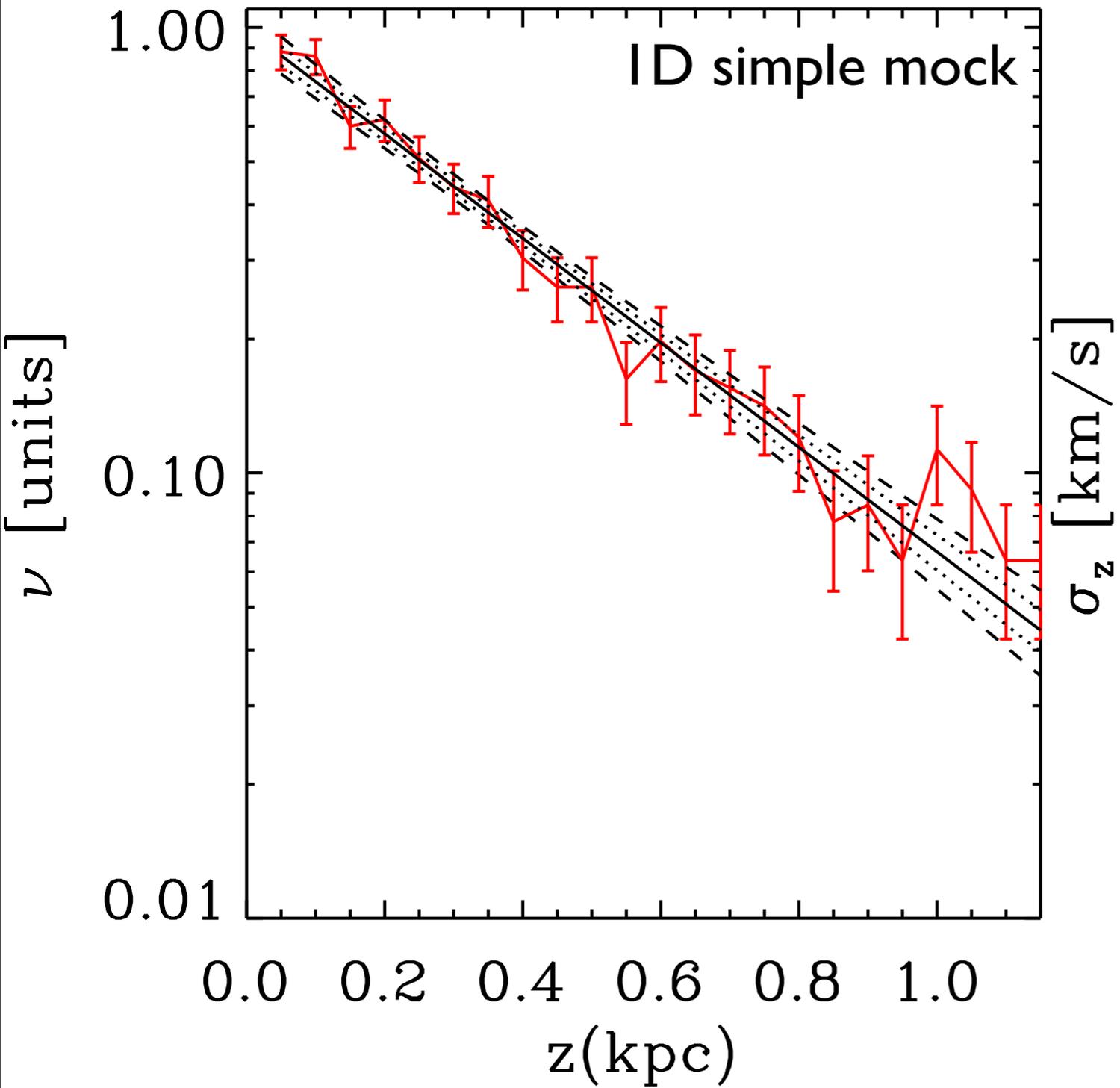
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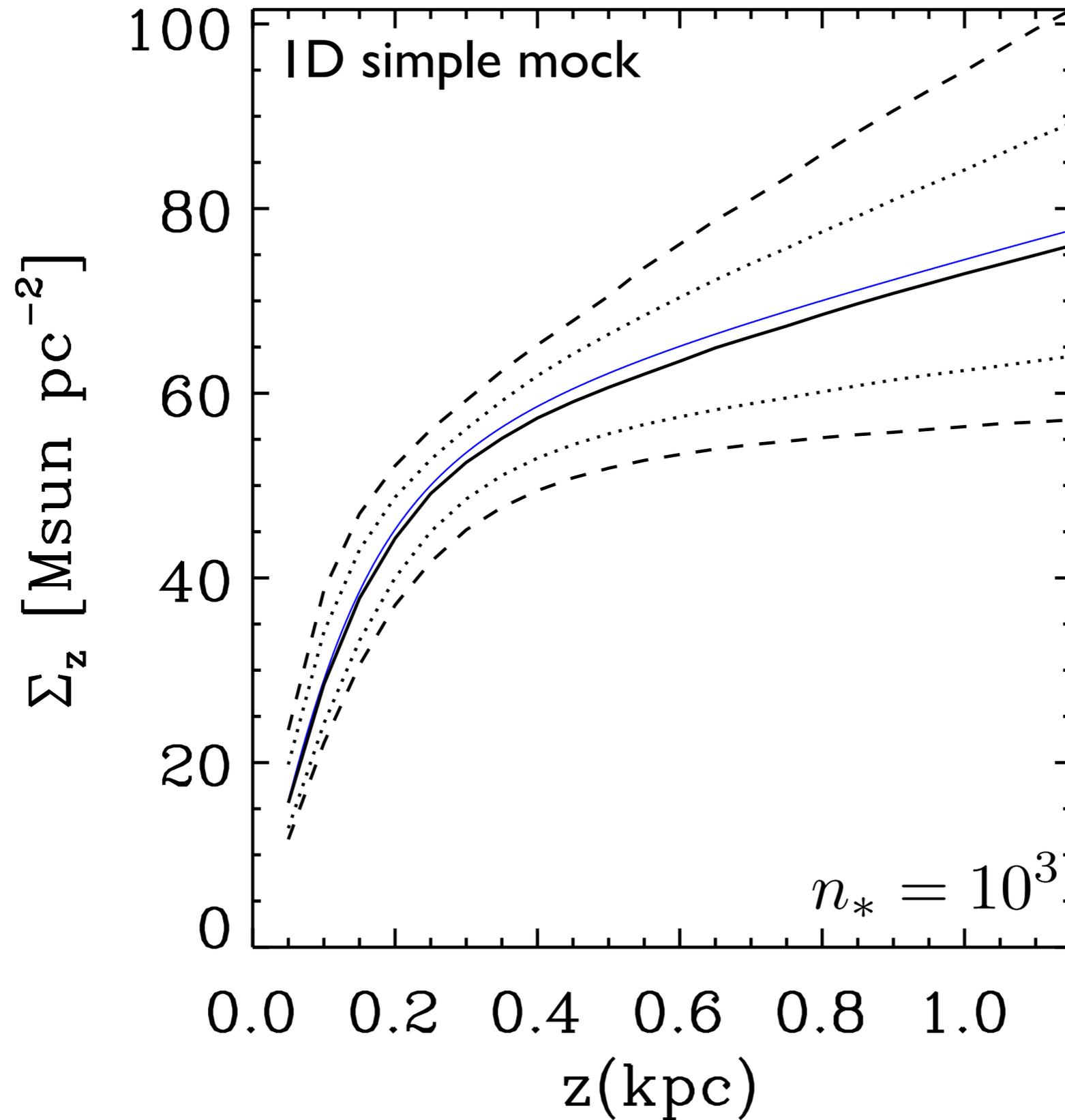
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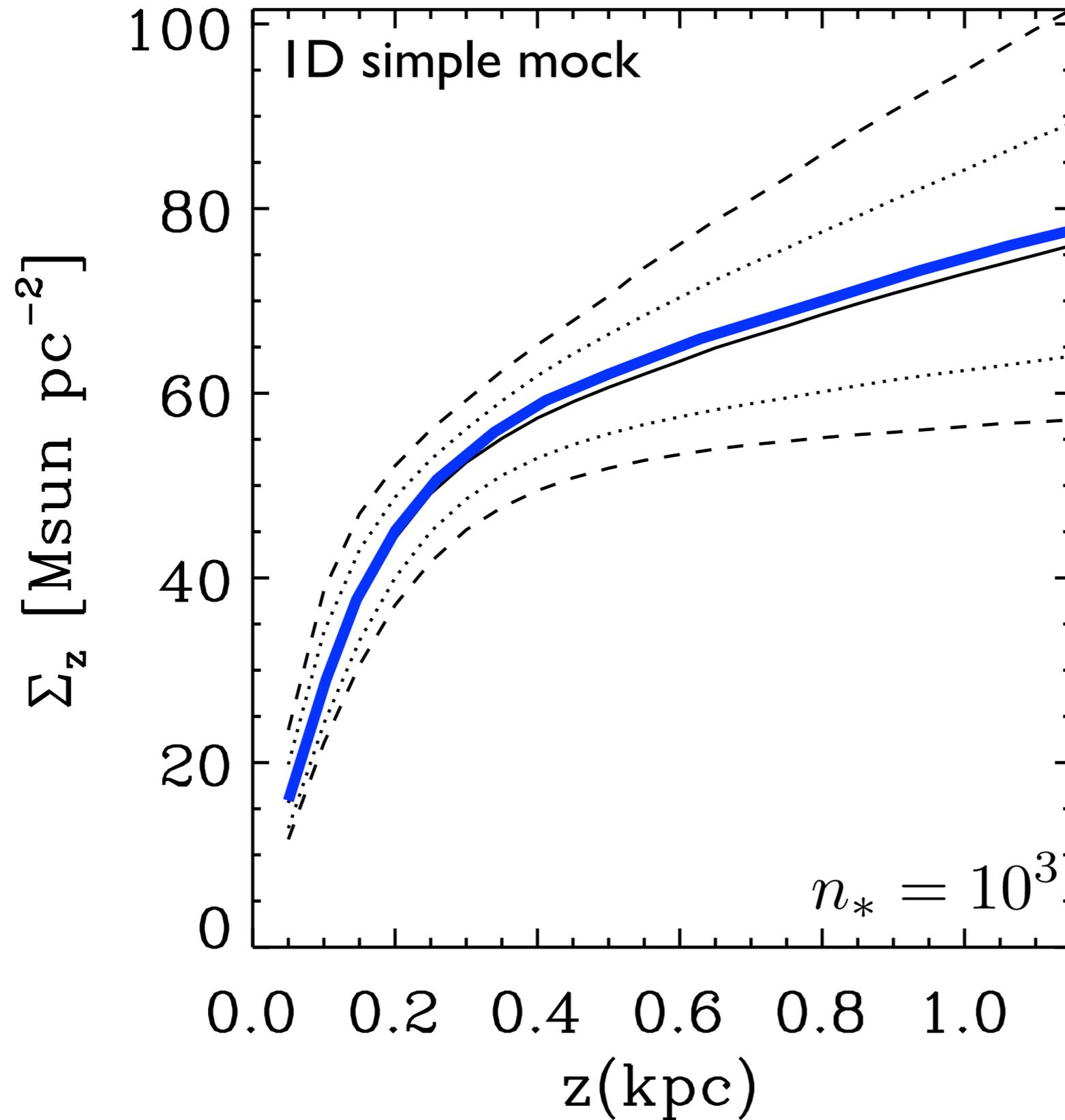


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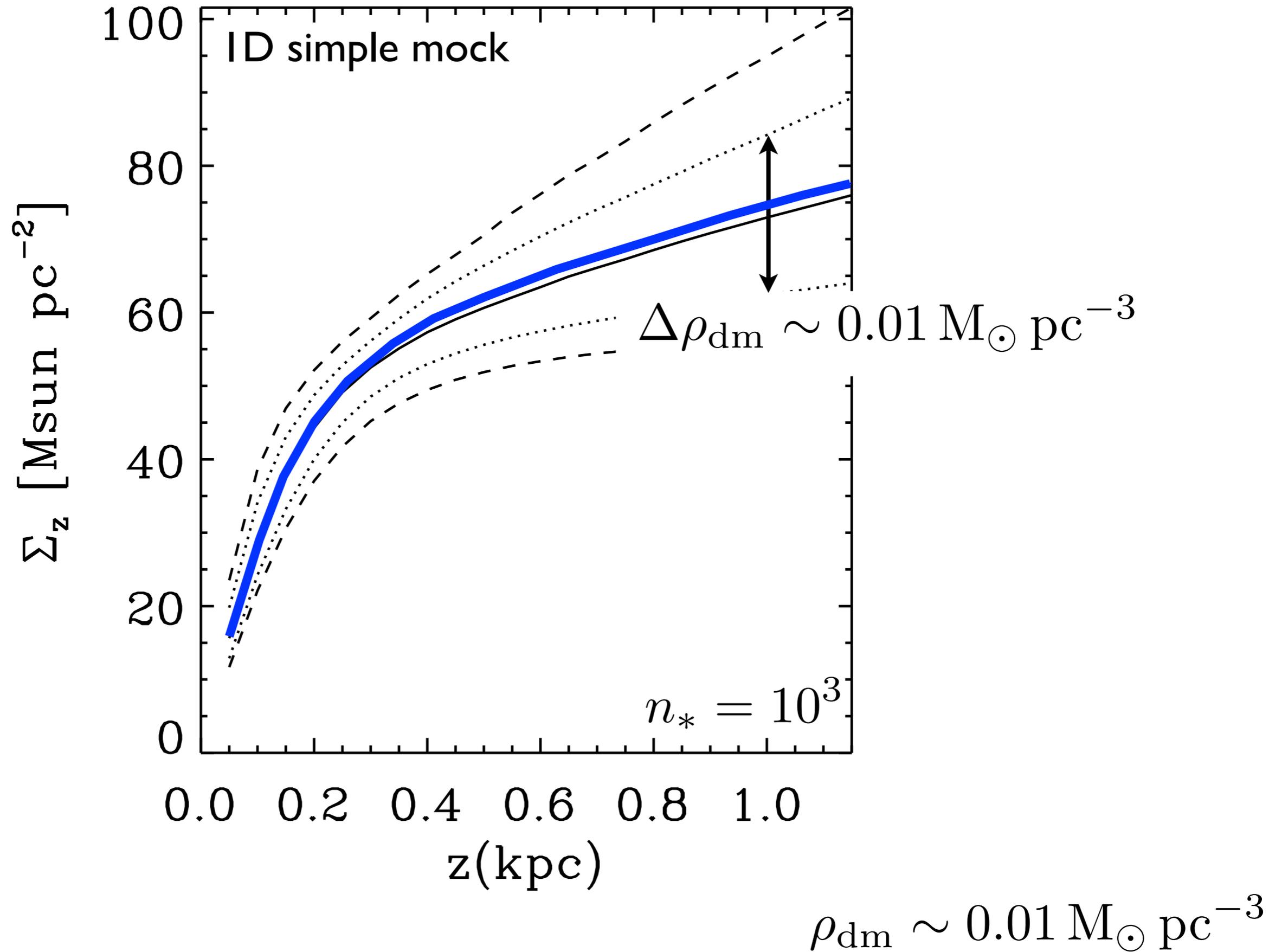
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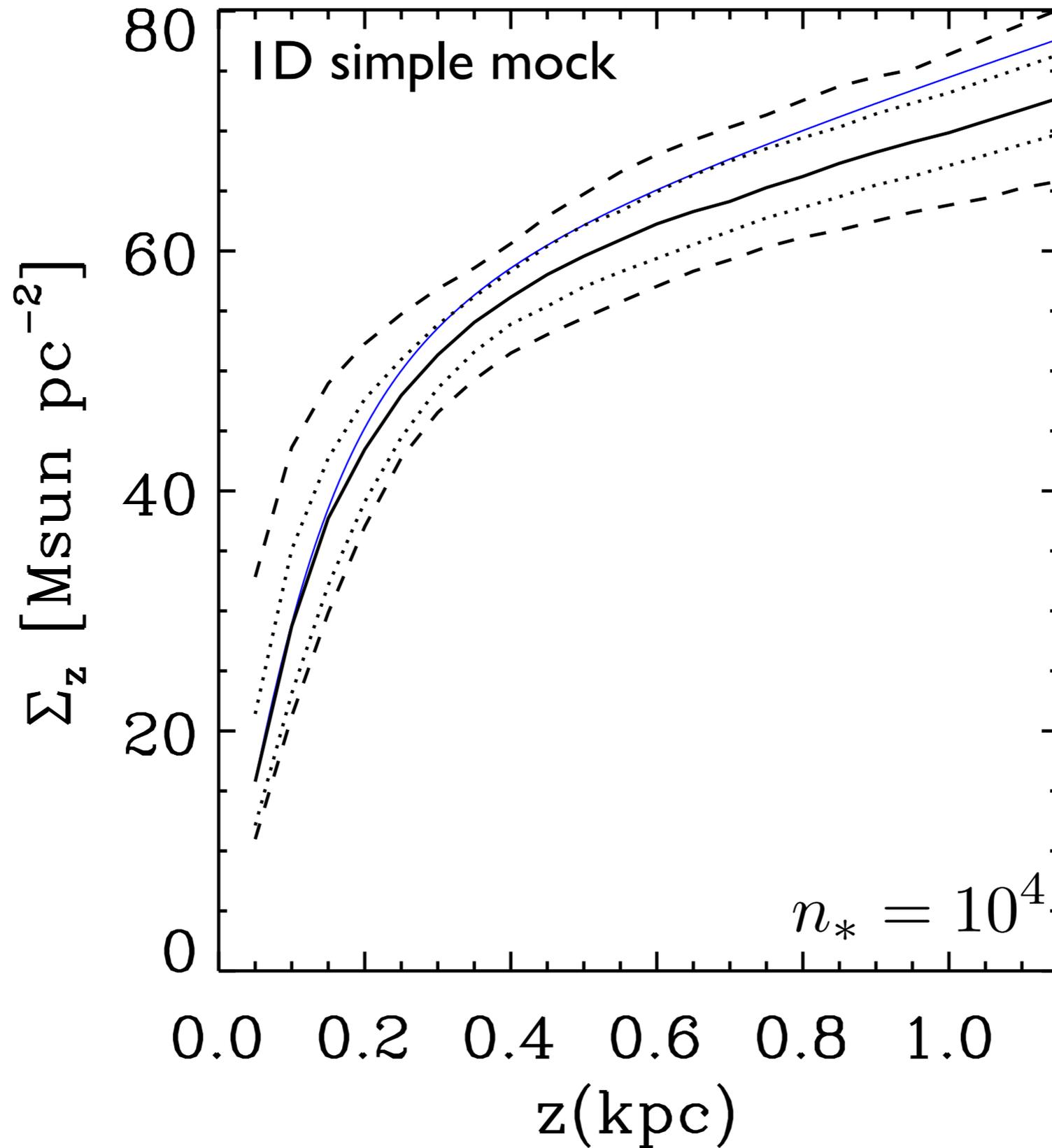


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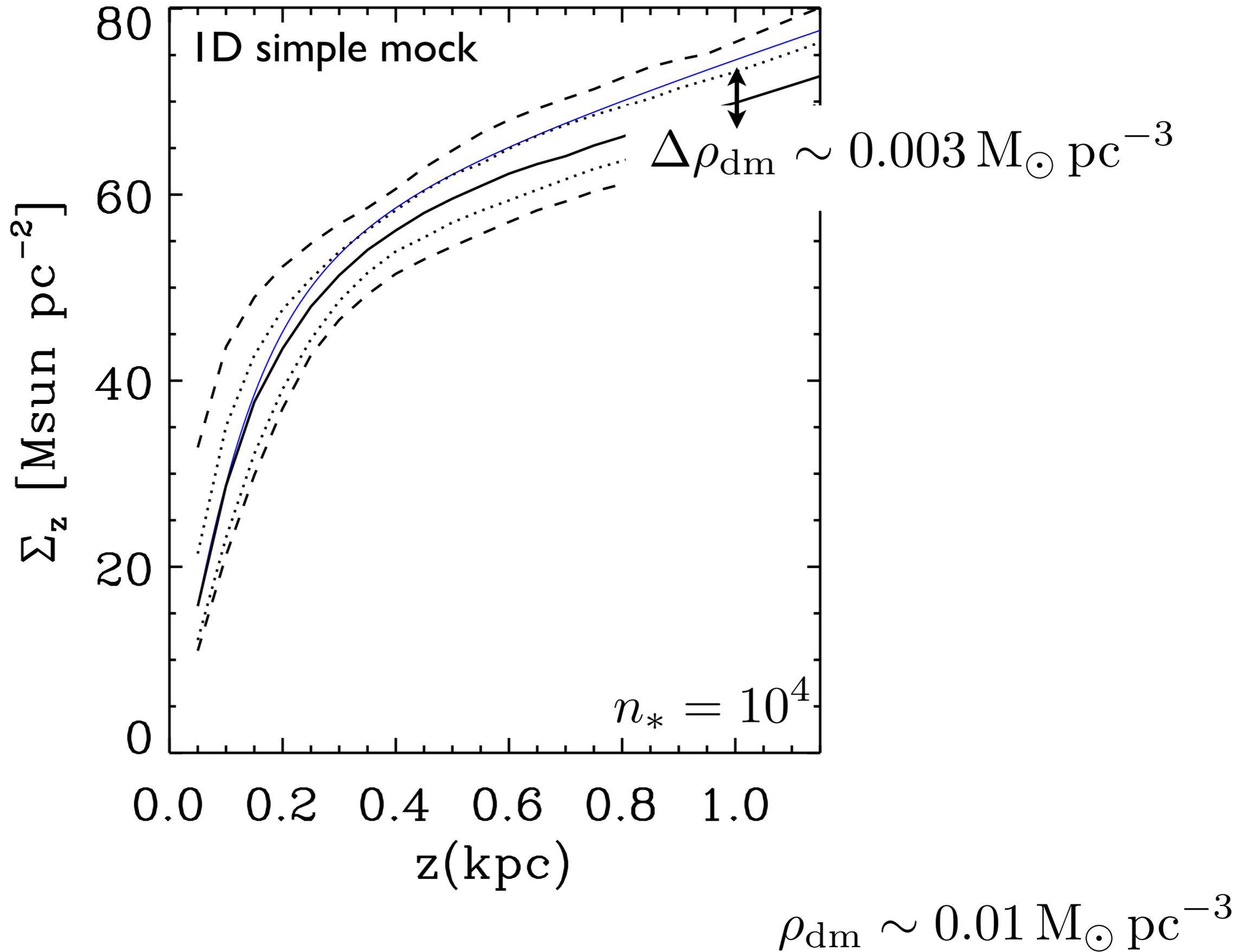


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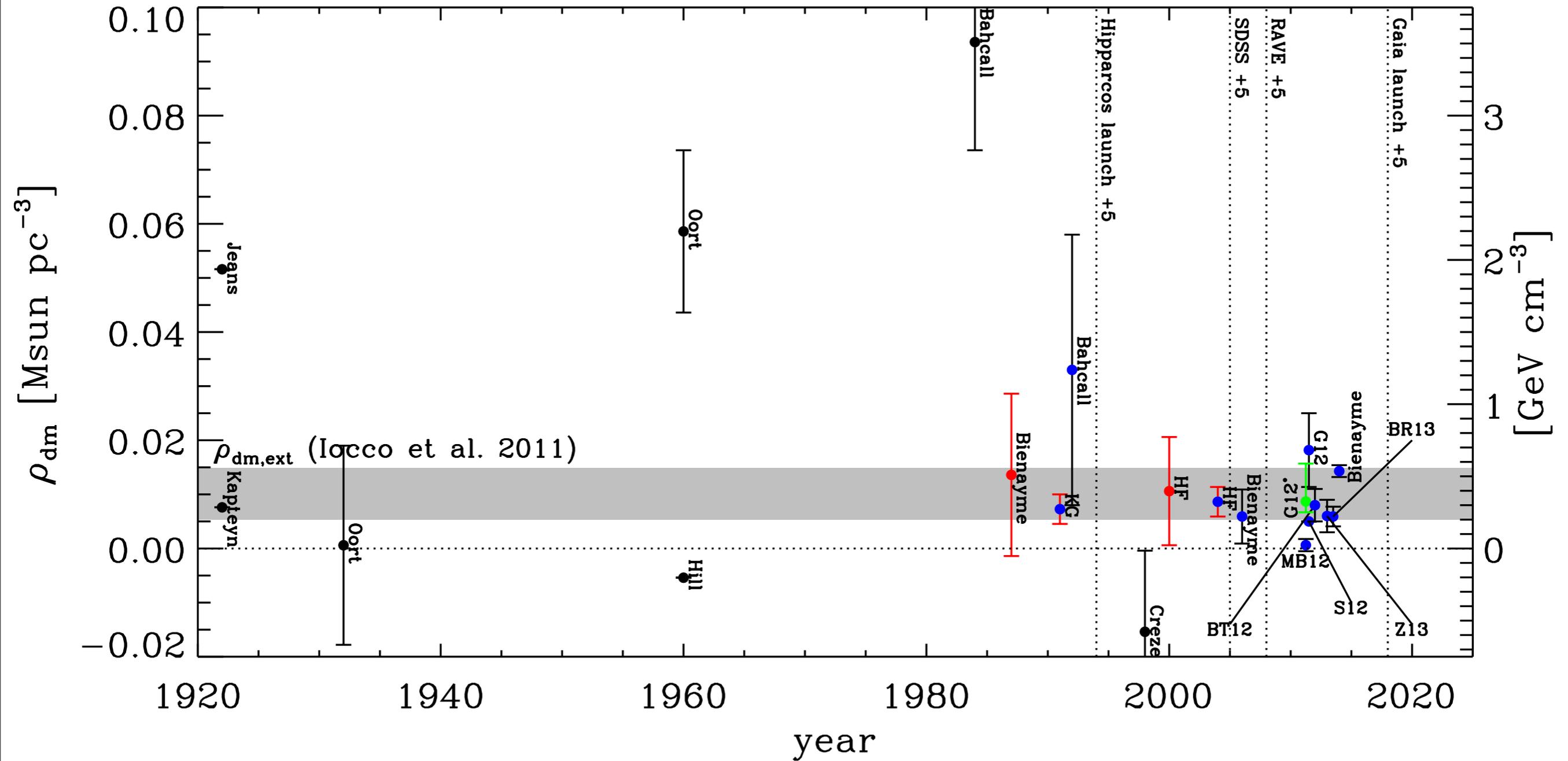
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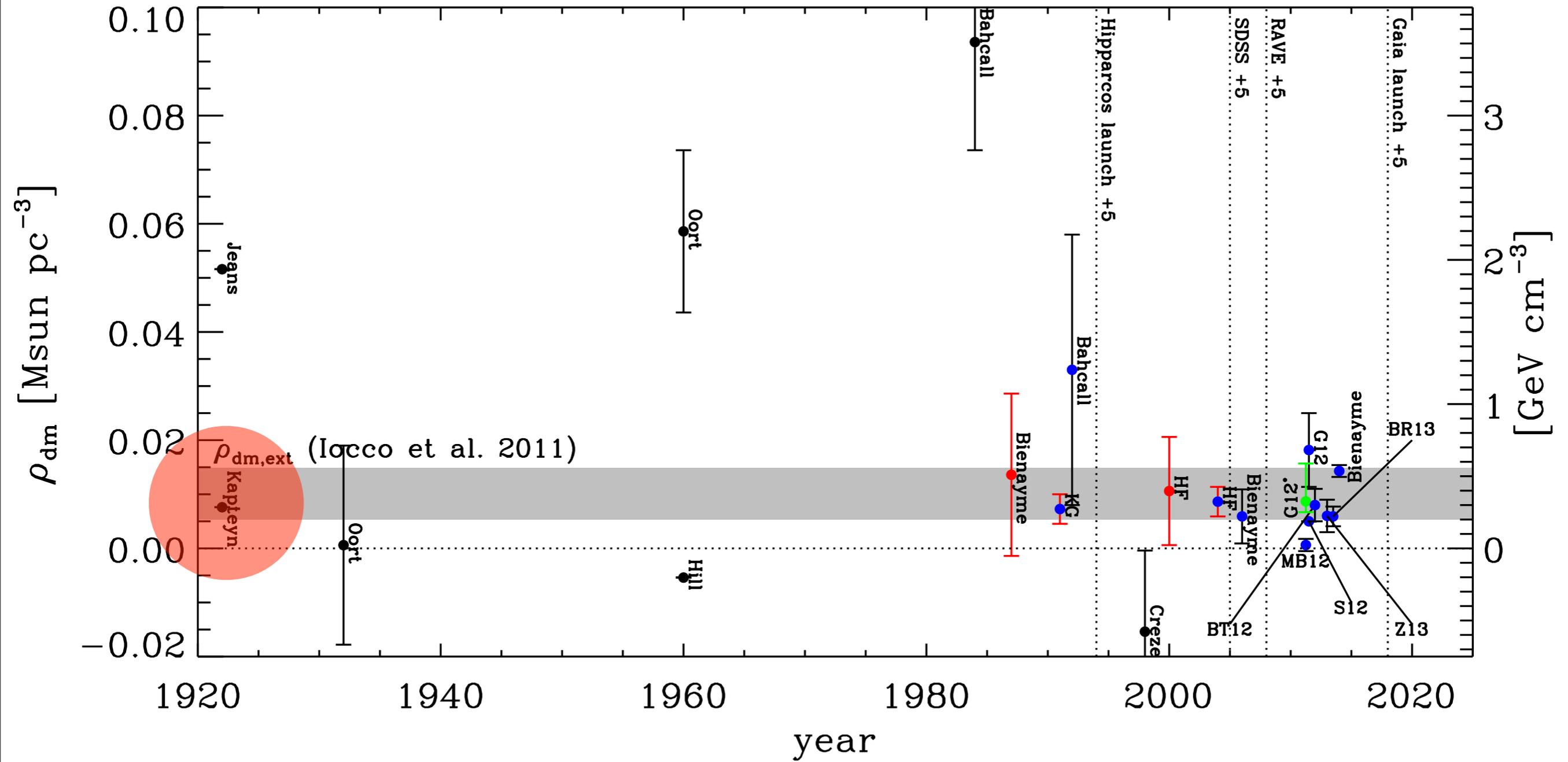
Complex SF

[Zhang et al. 2013]

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Mount Wilson Contribution No. 188³ a provisional derivation was given of the star-density in the stellar system. The question was

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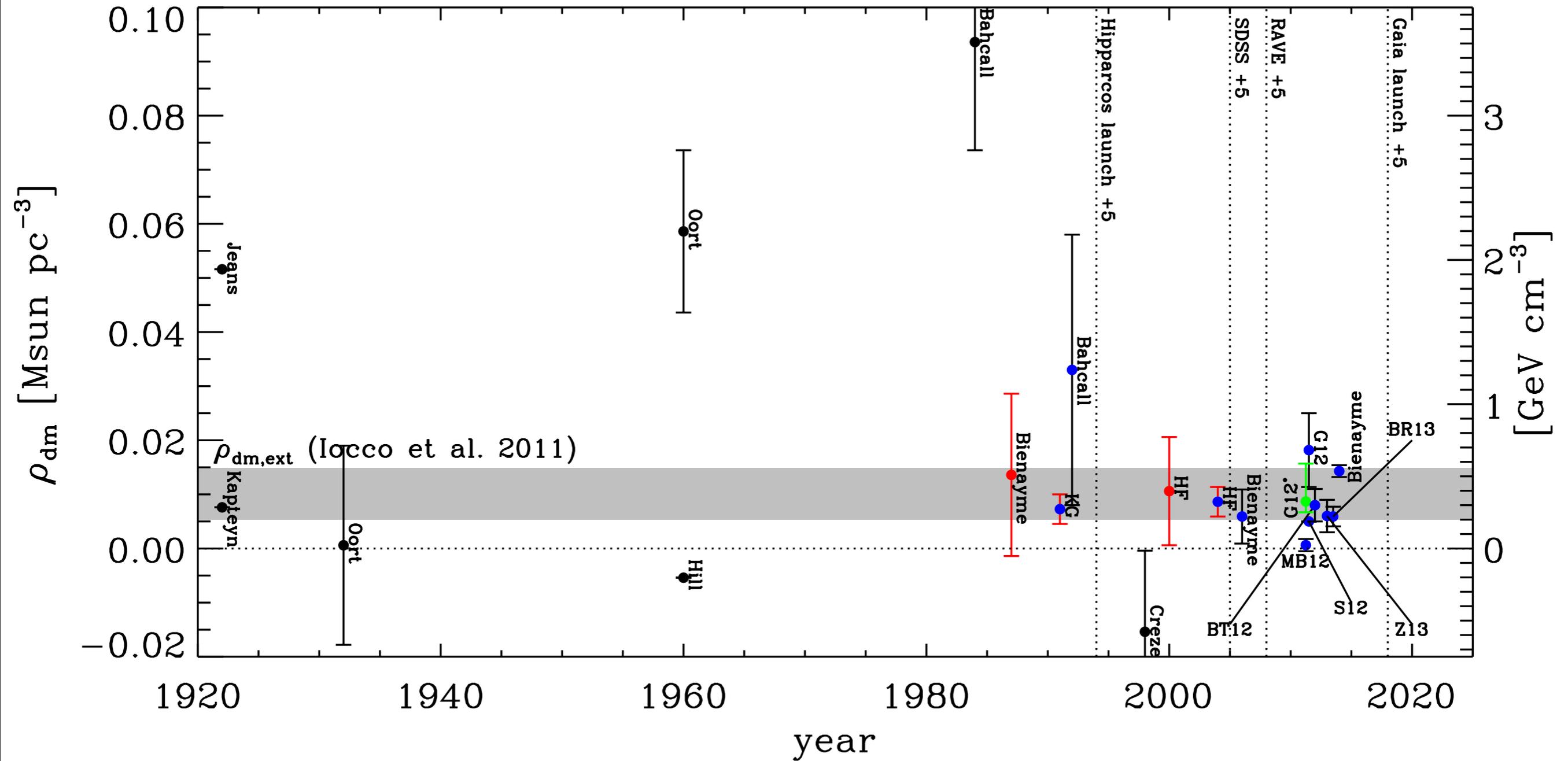


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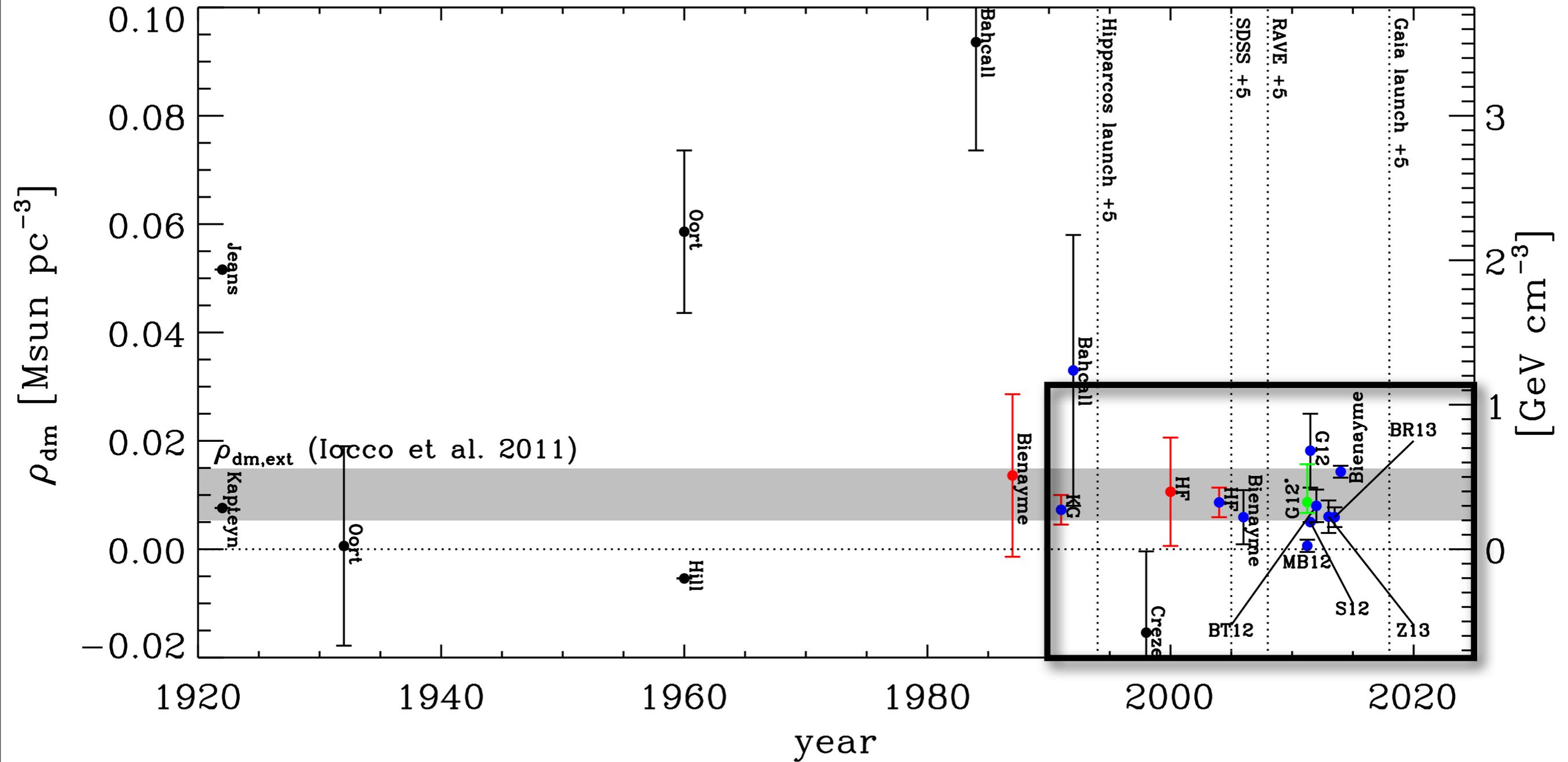
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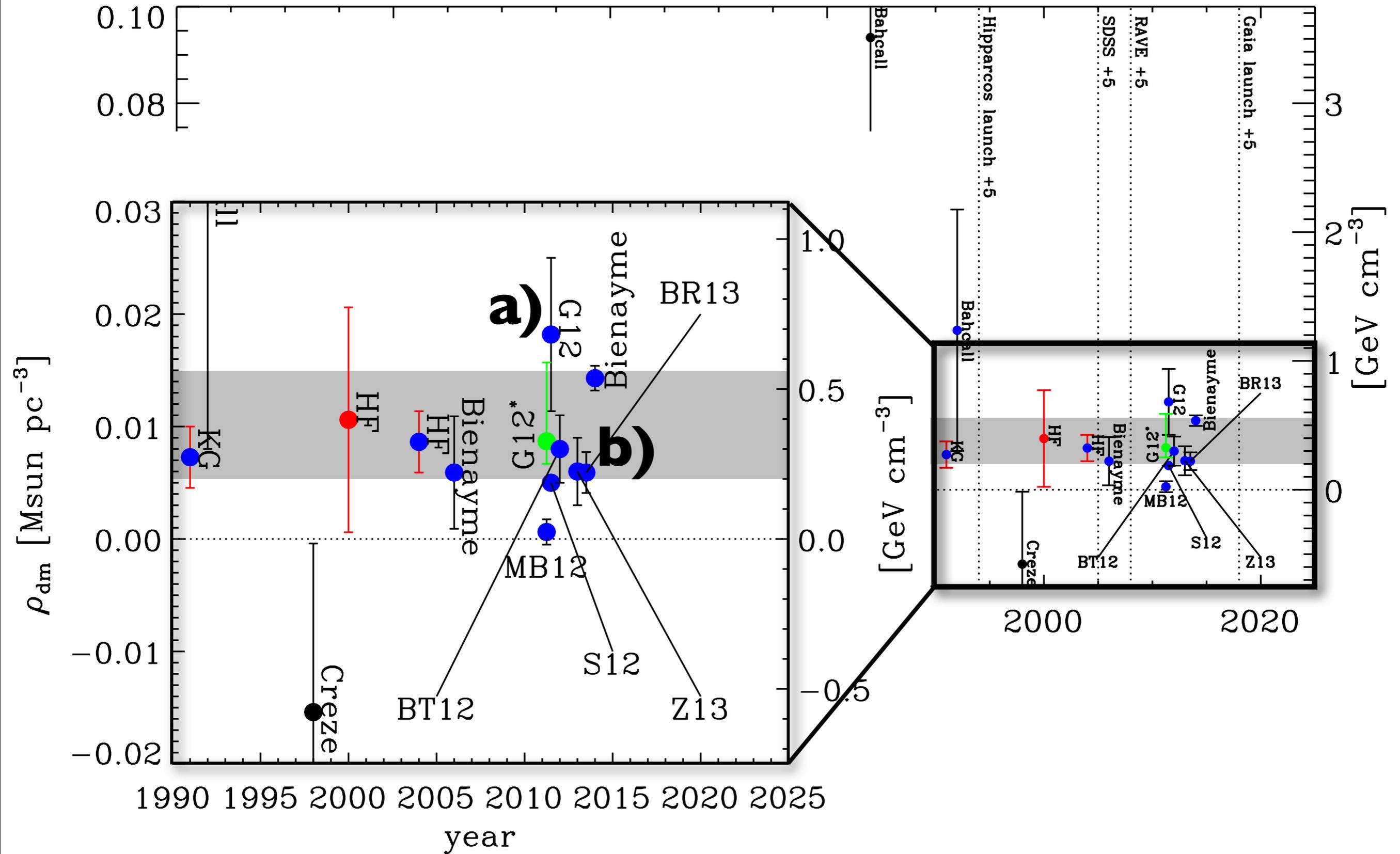
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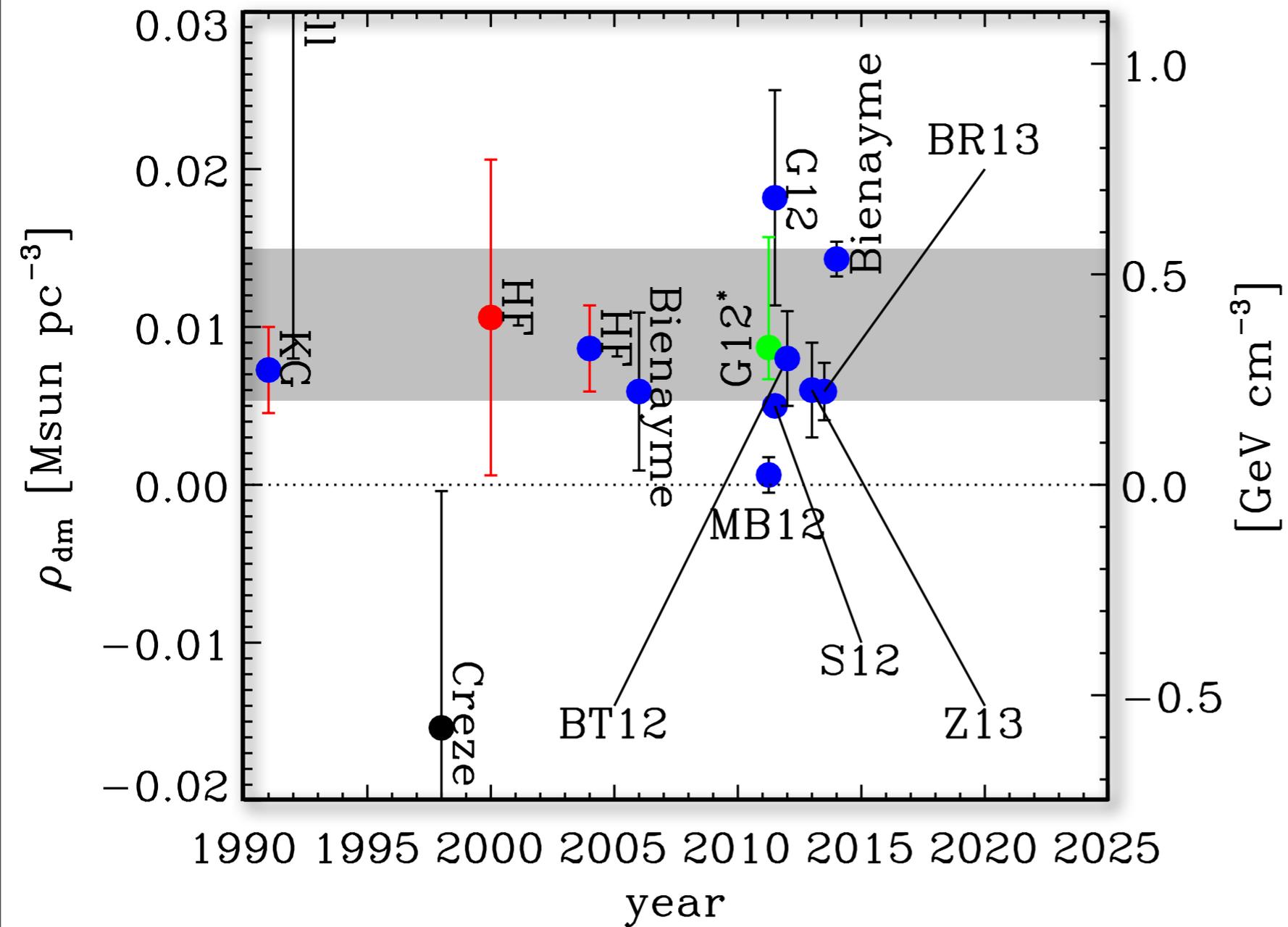
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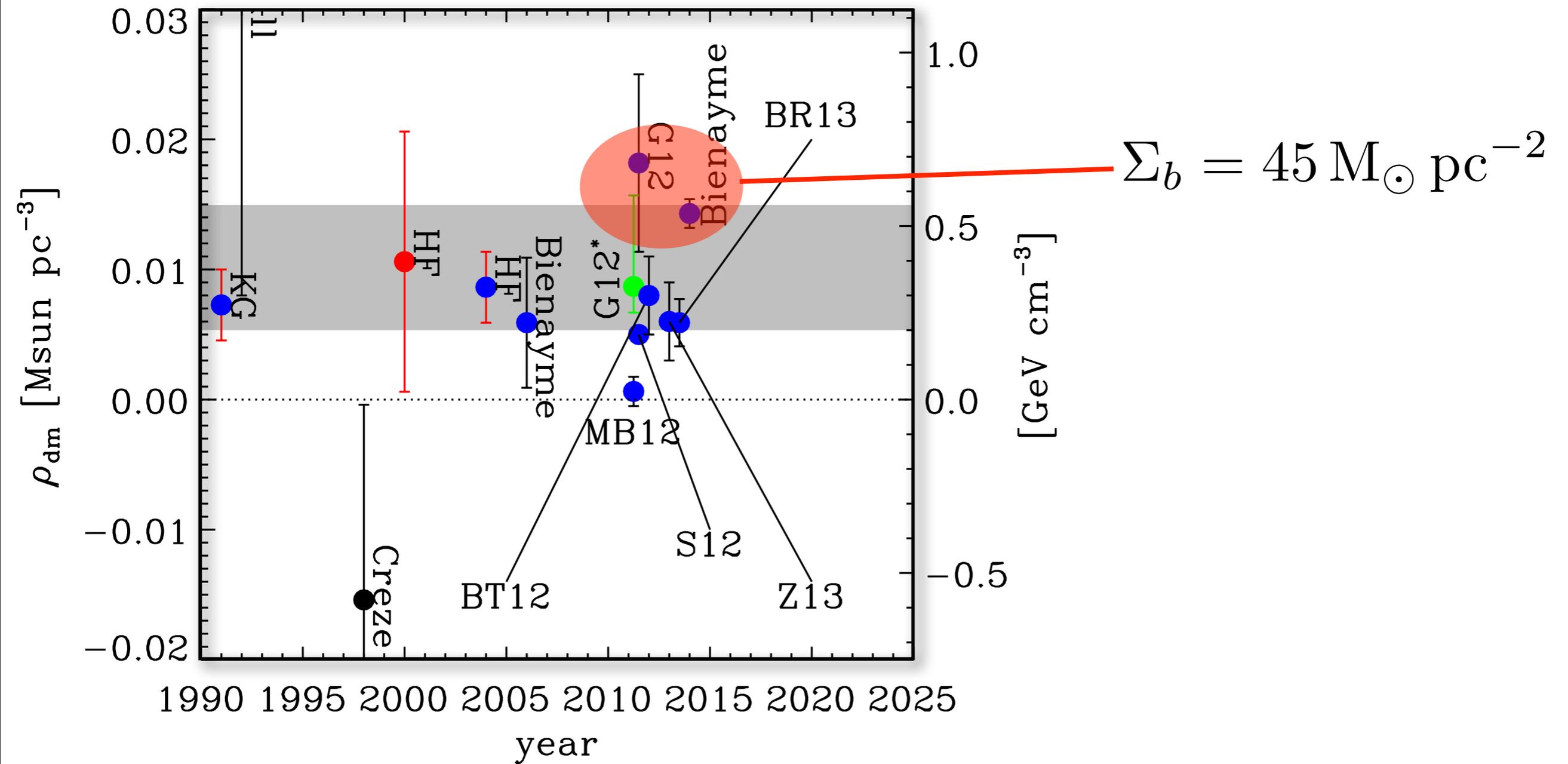
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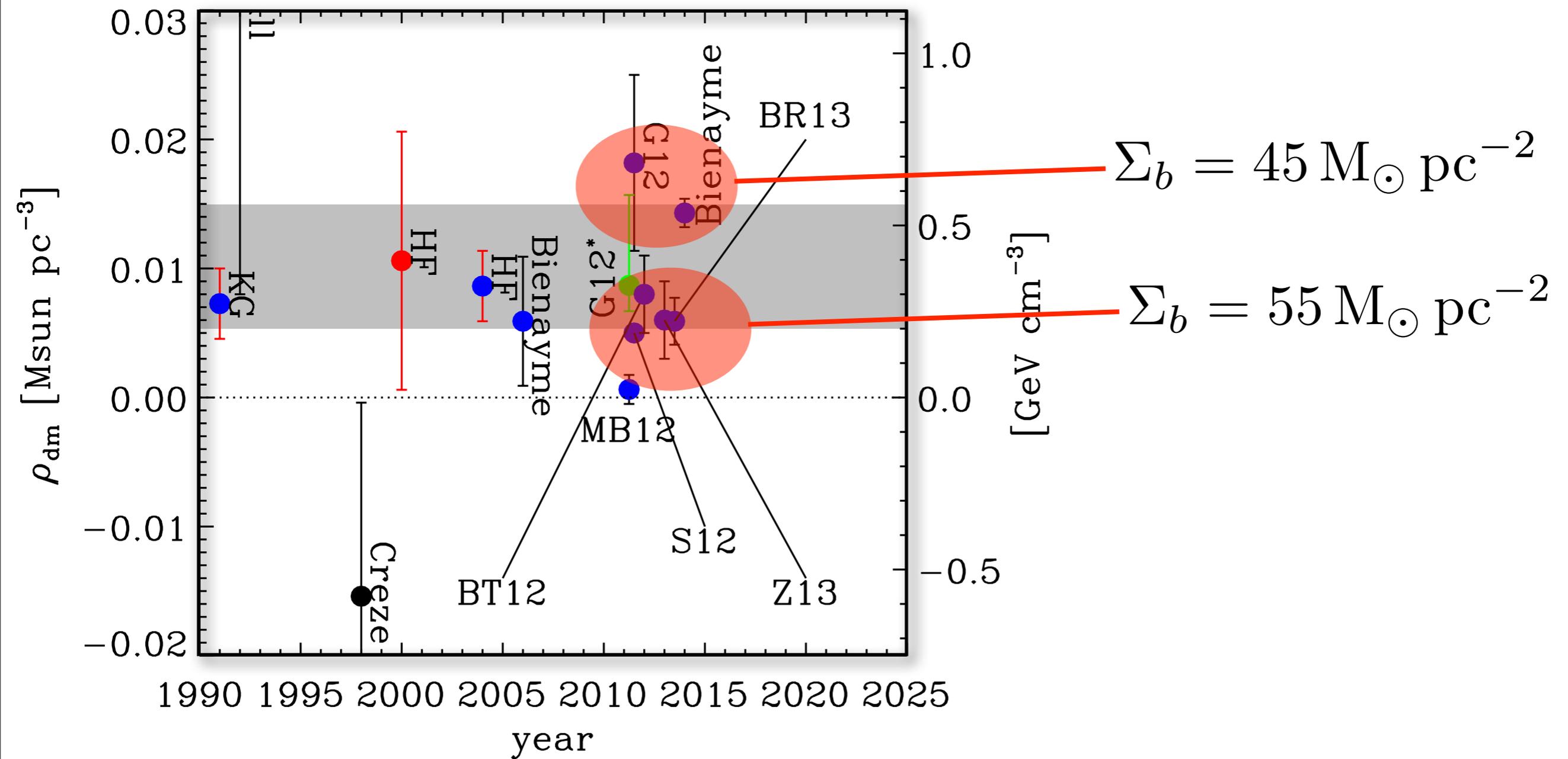
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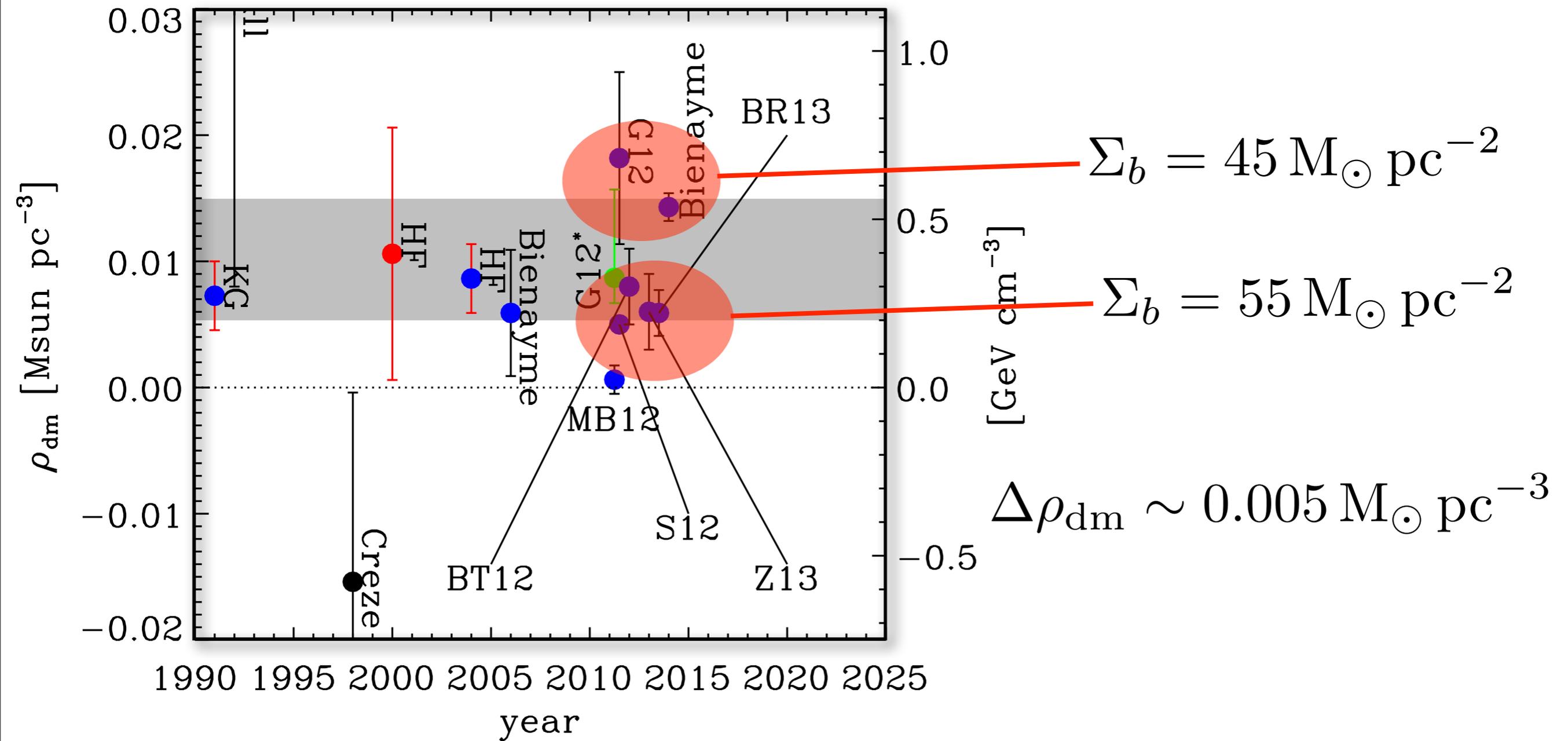
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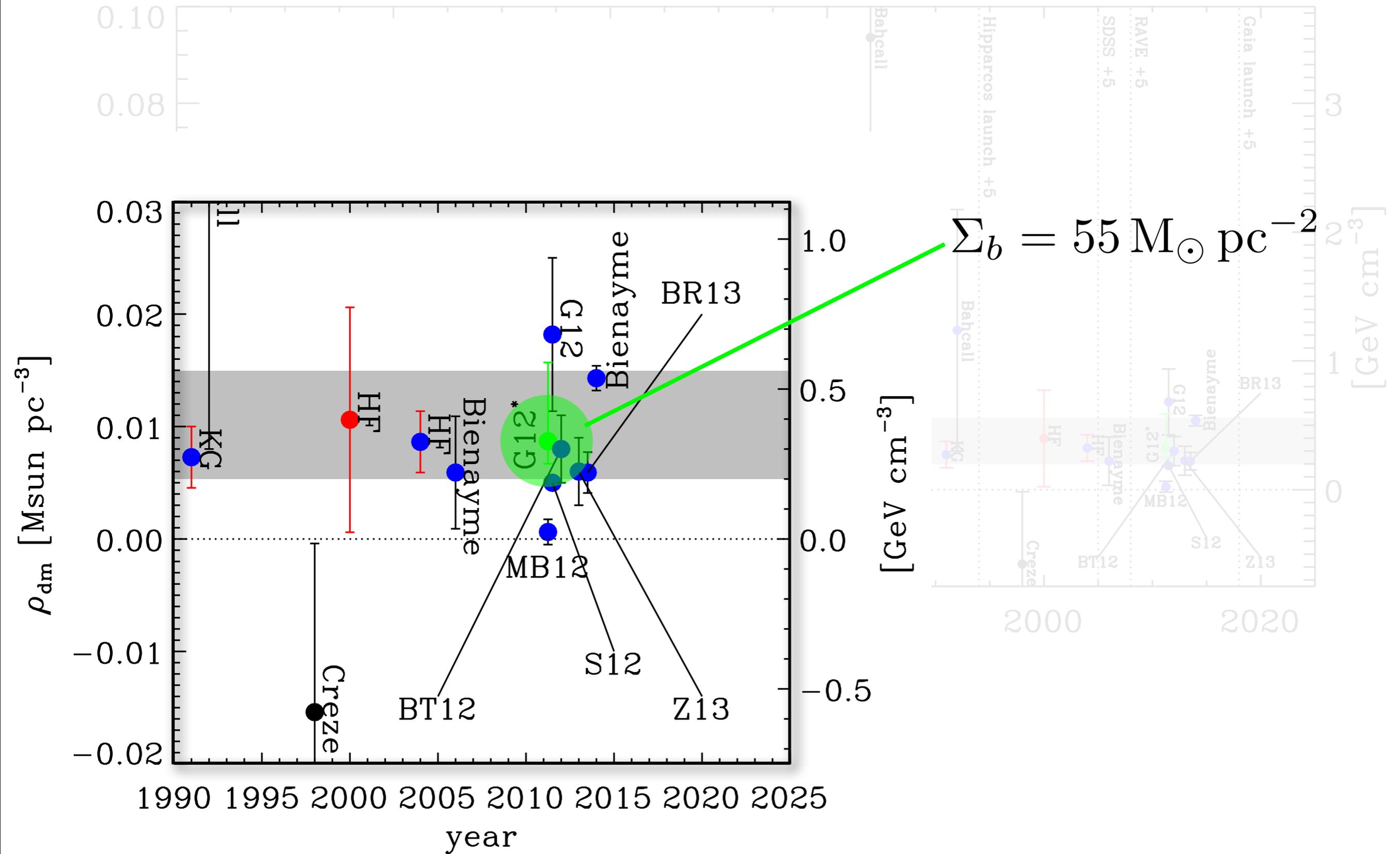
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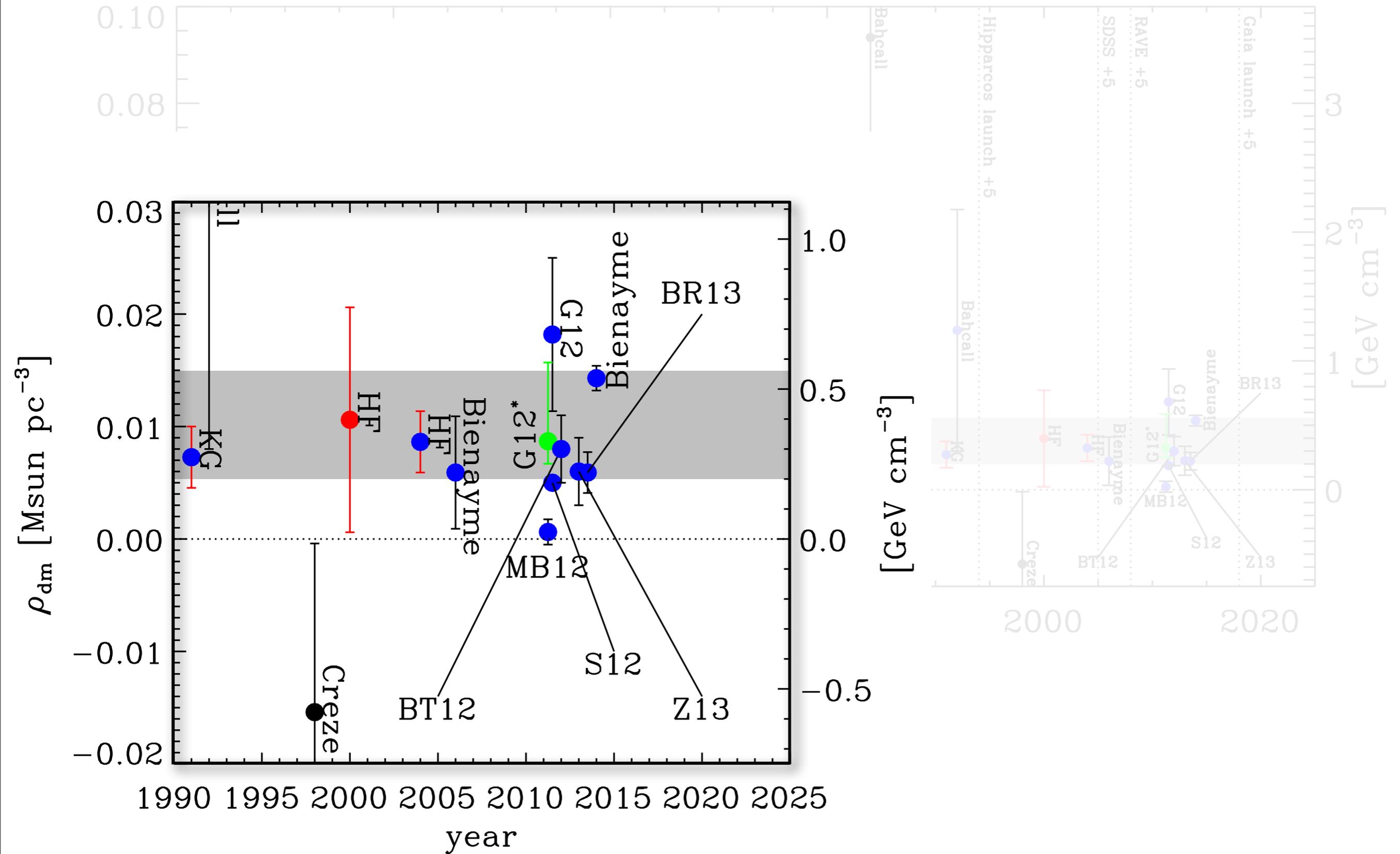
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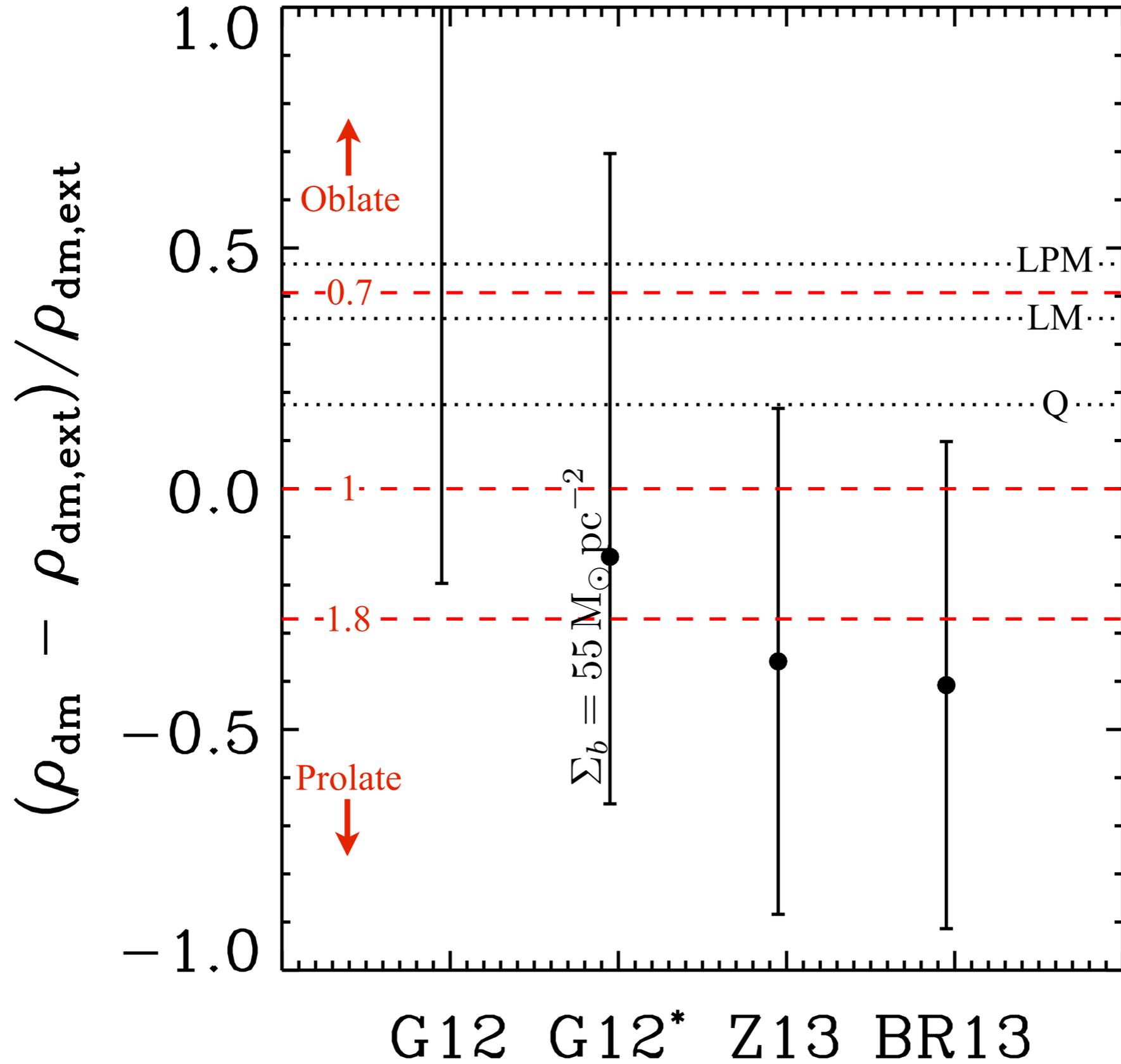
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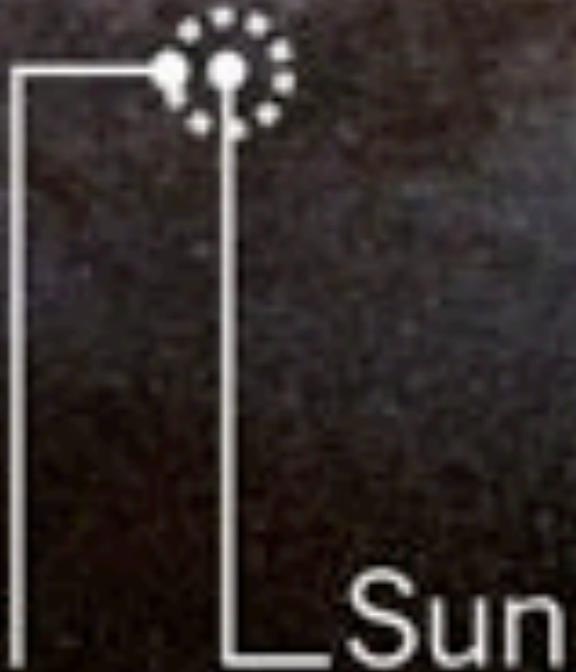
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A diagram showing a central star labeled 'Sun' with a cluster of smaller stars above it. A white line starts from the Sun, goes up, then left, then up again, ending at the cluster of stars. This represents a measurement path or a specific observation geometry.

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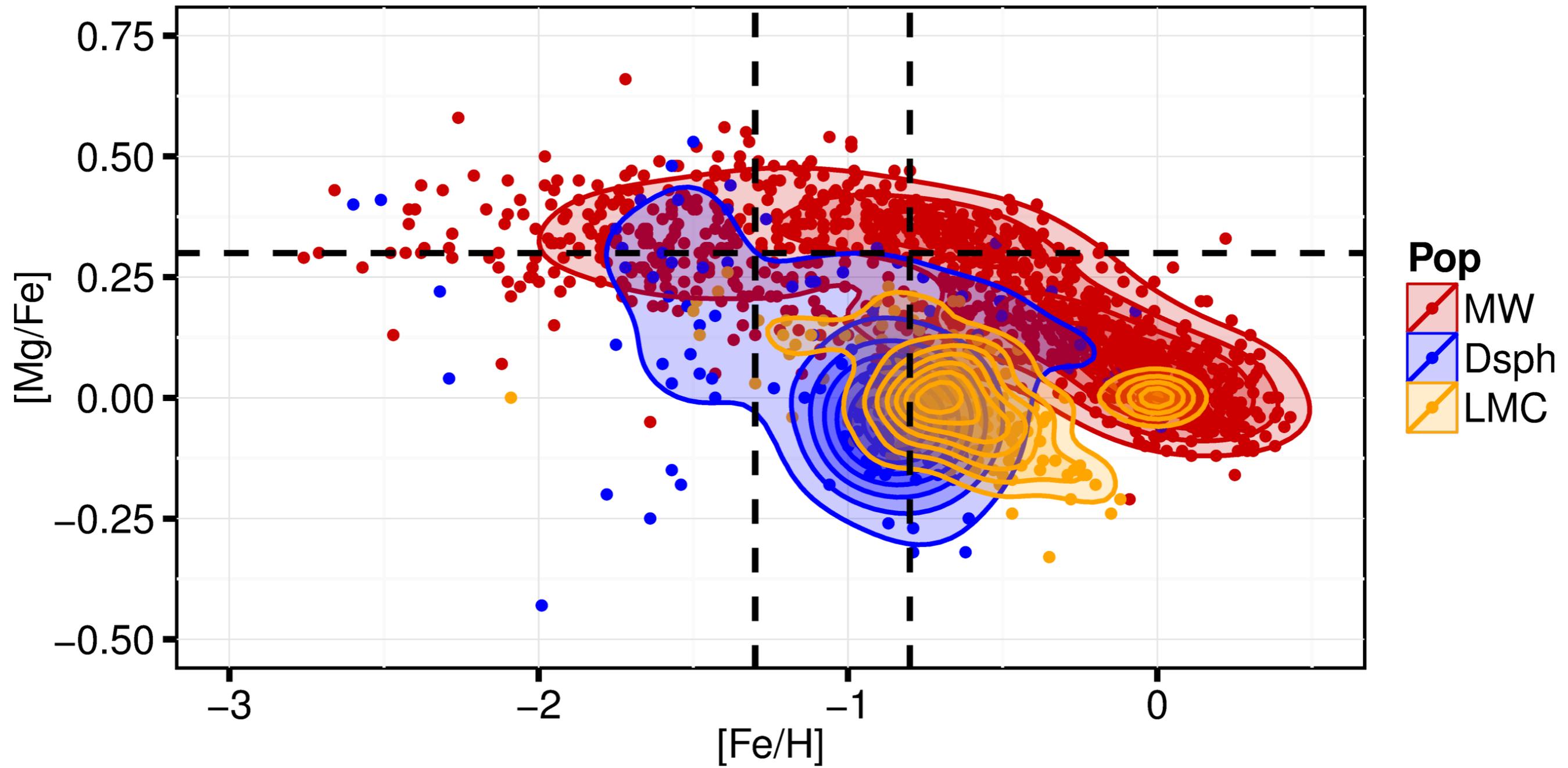
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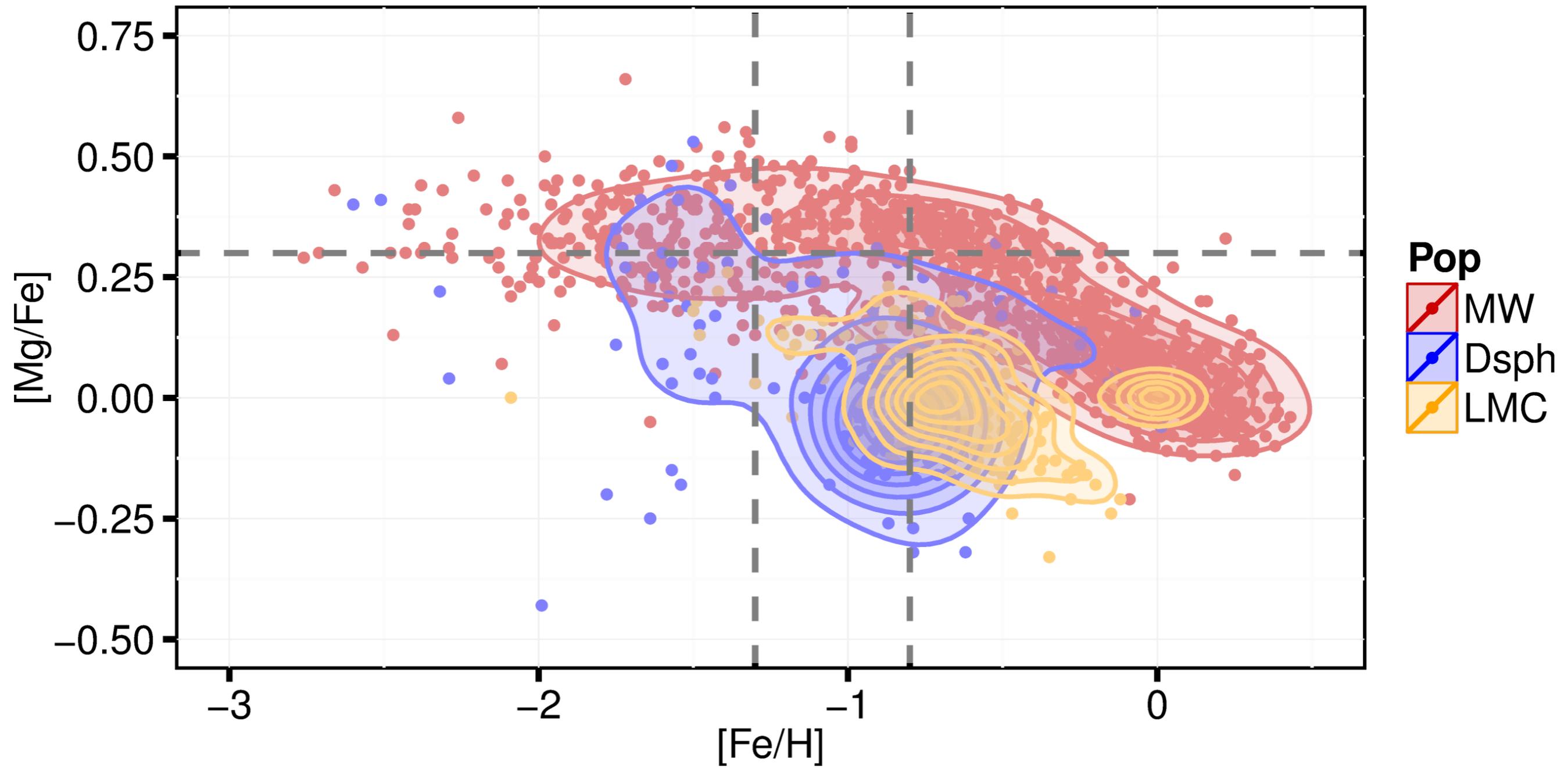
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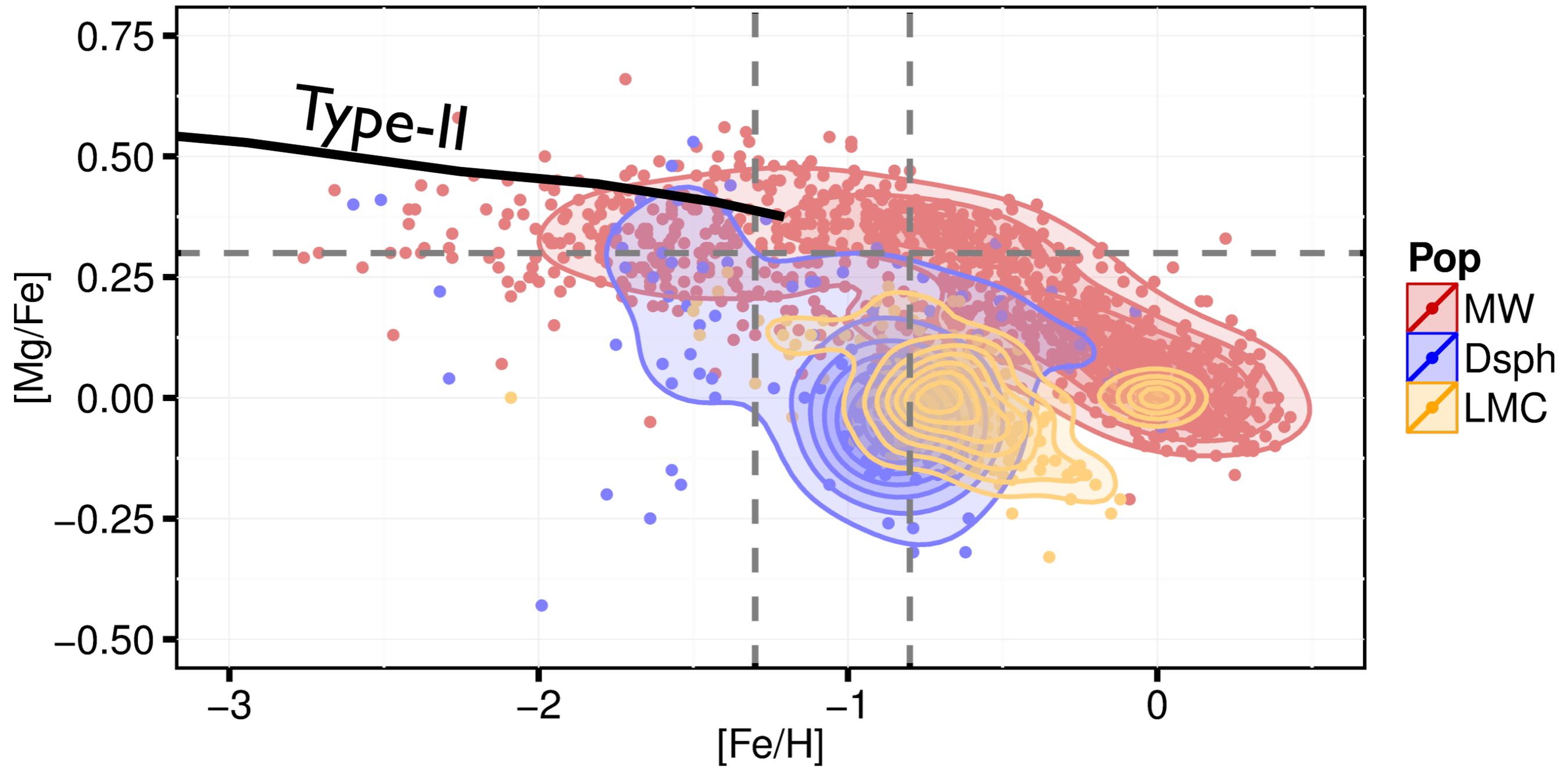
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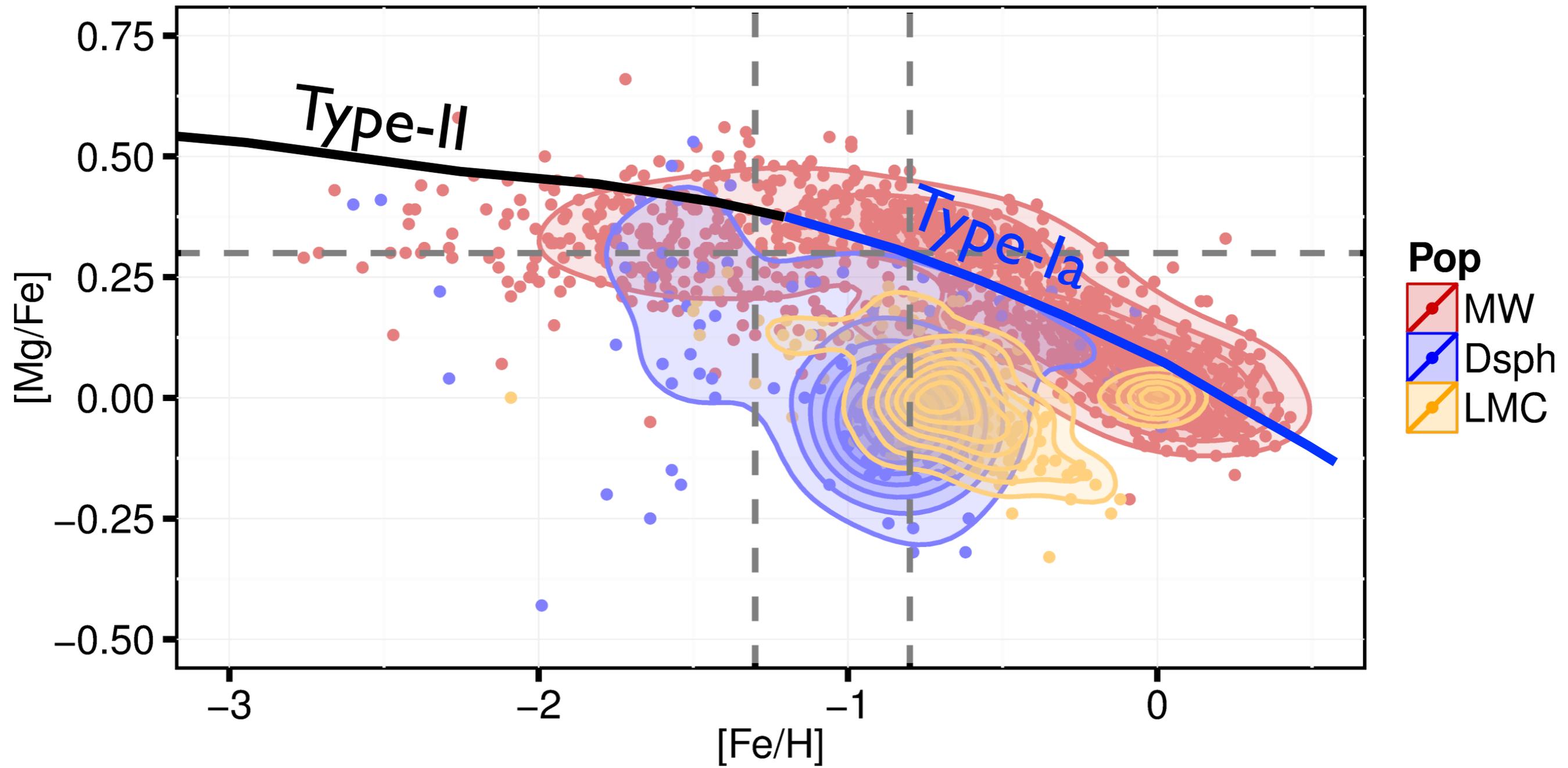
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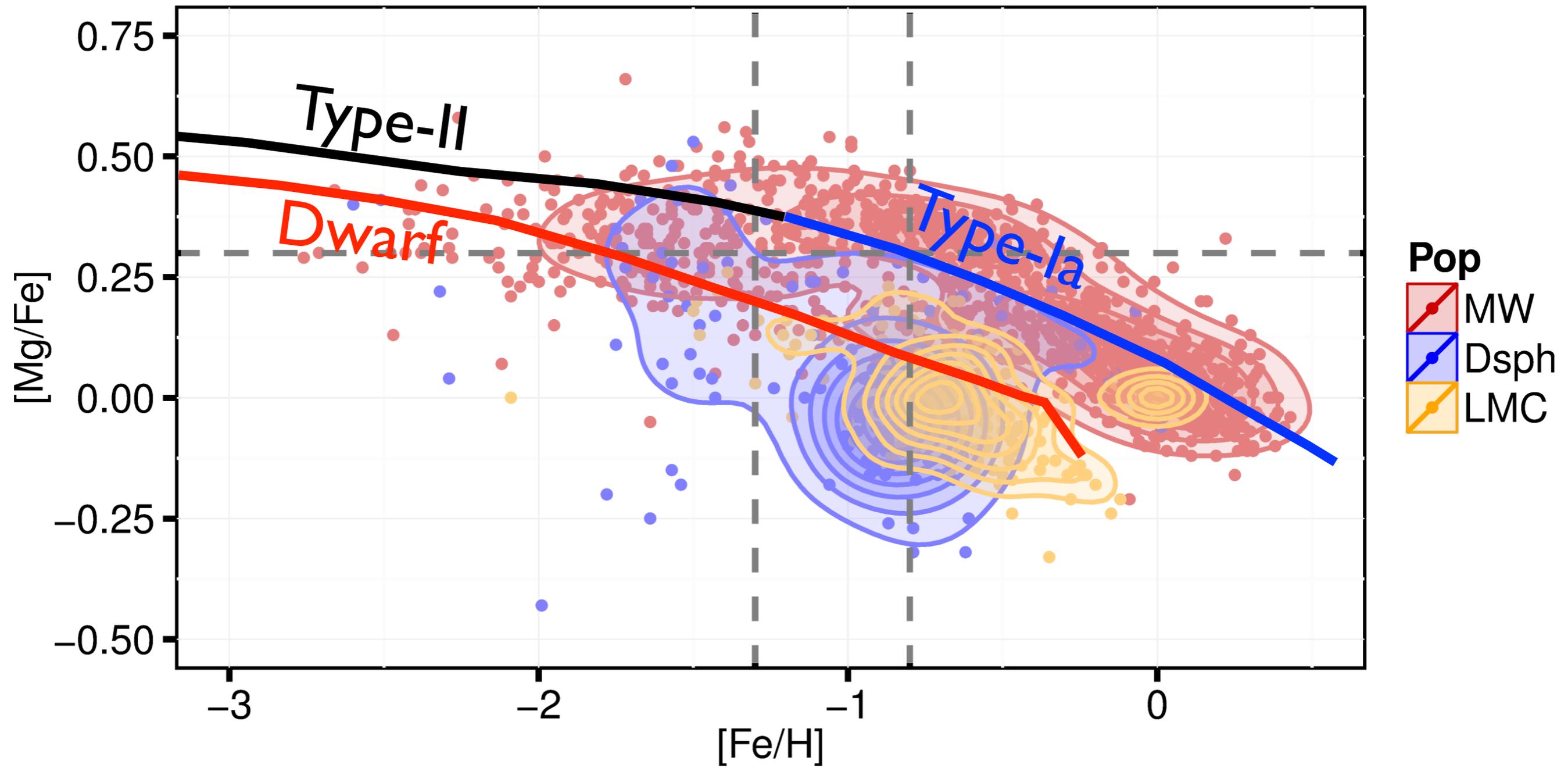
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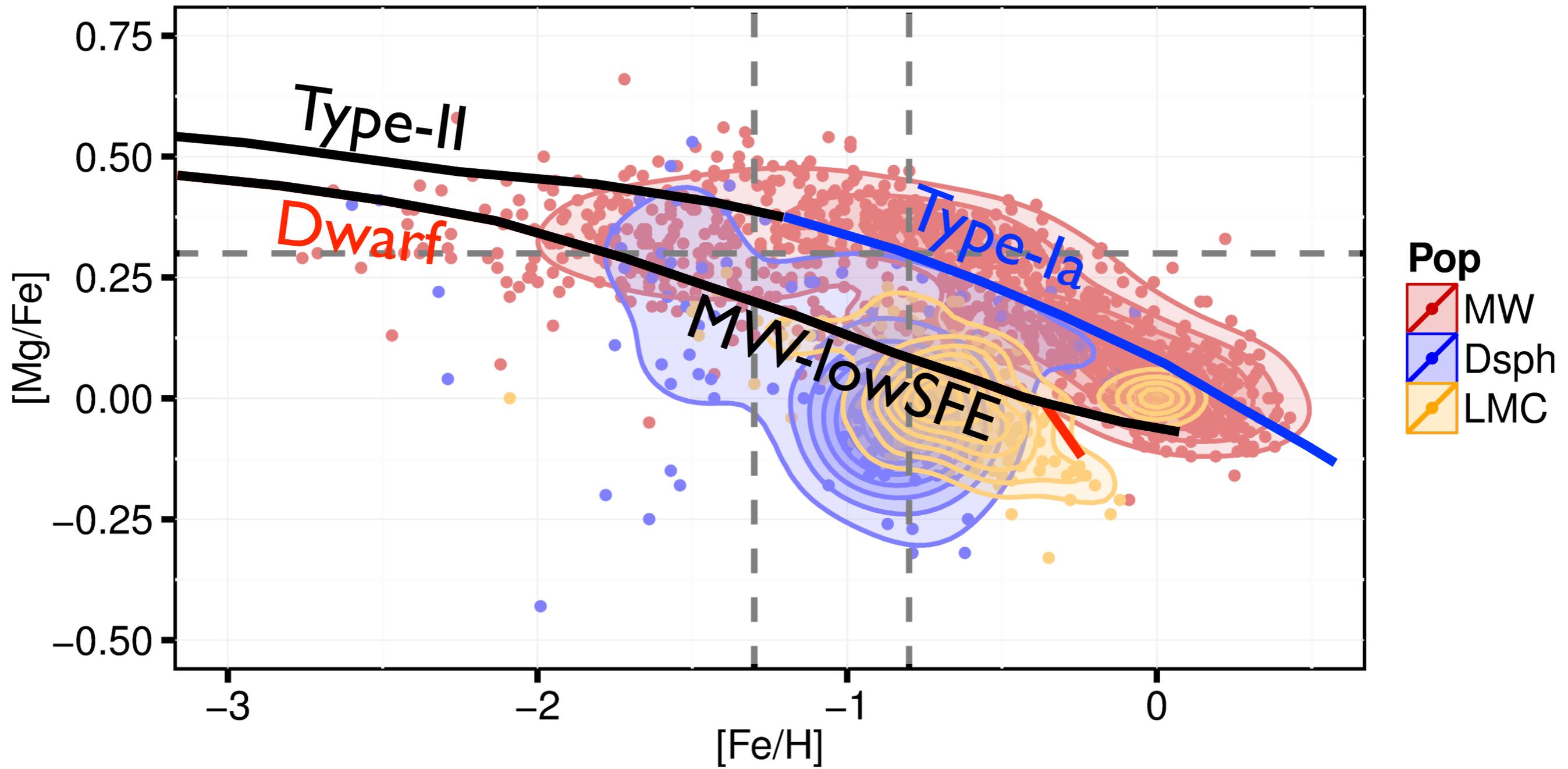
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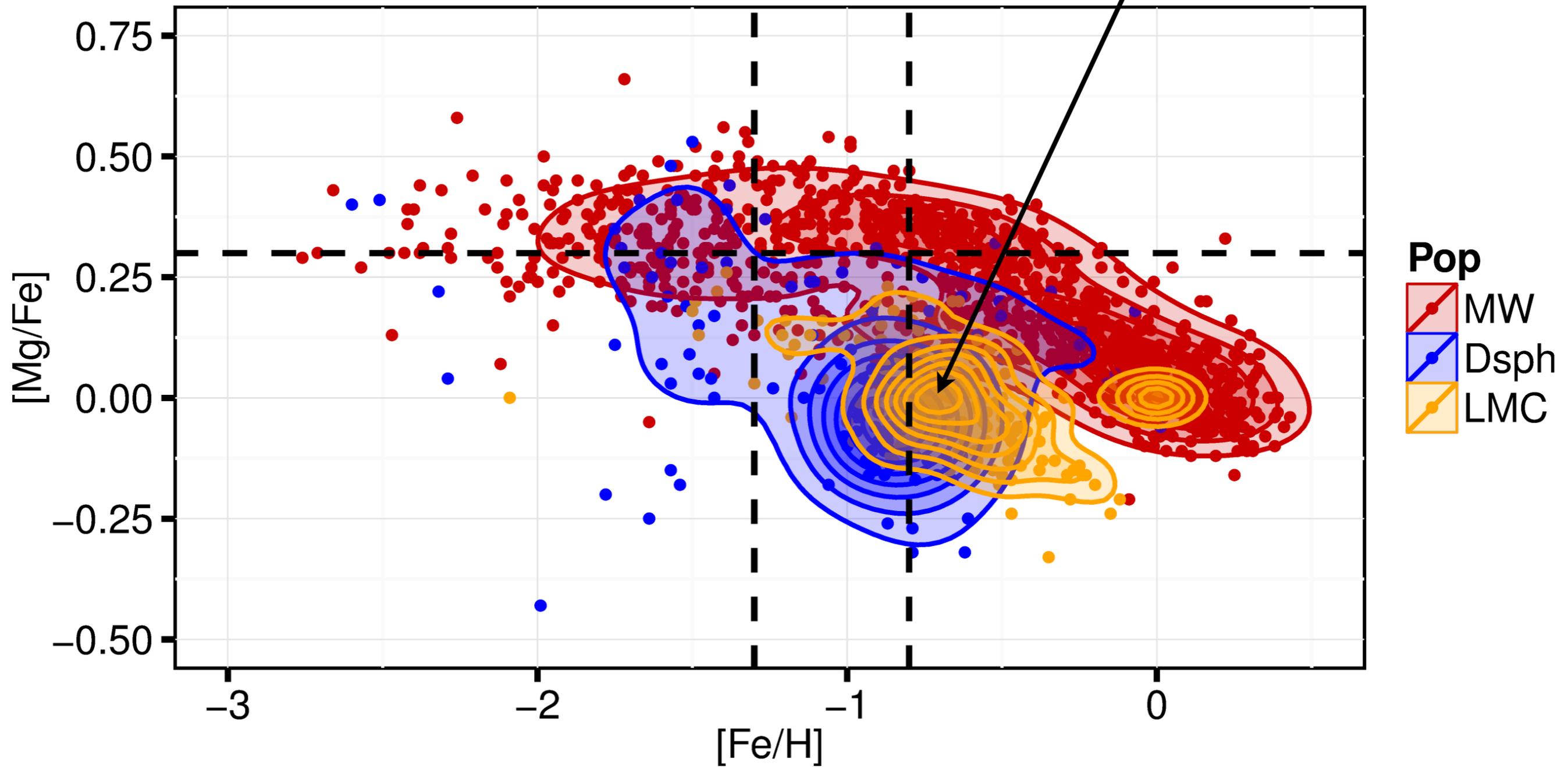


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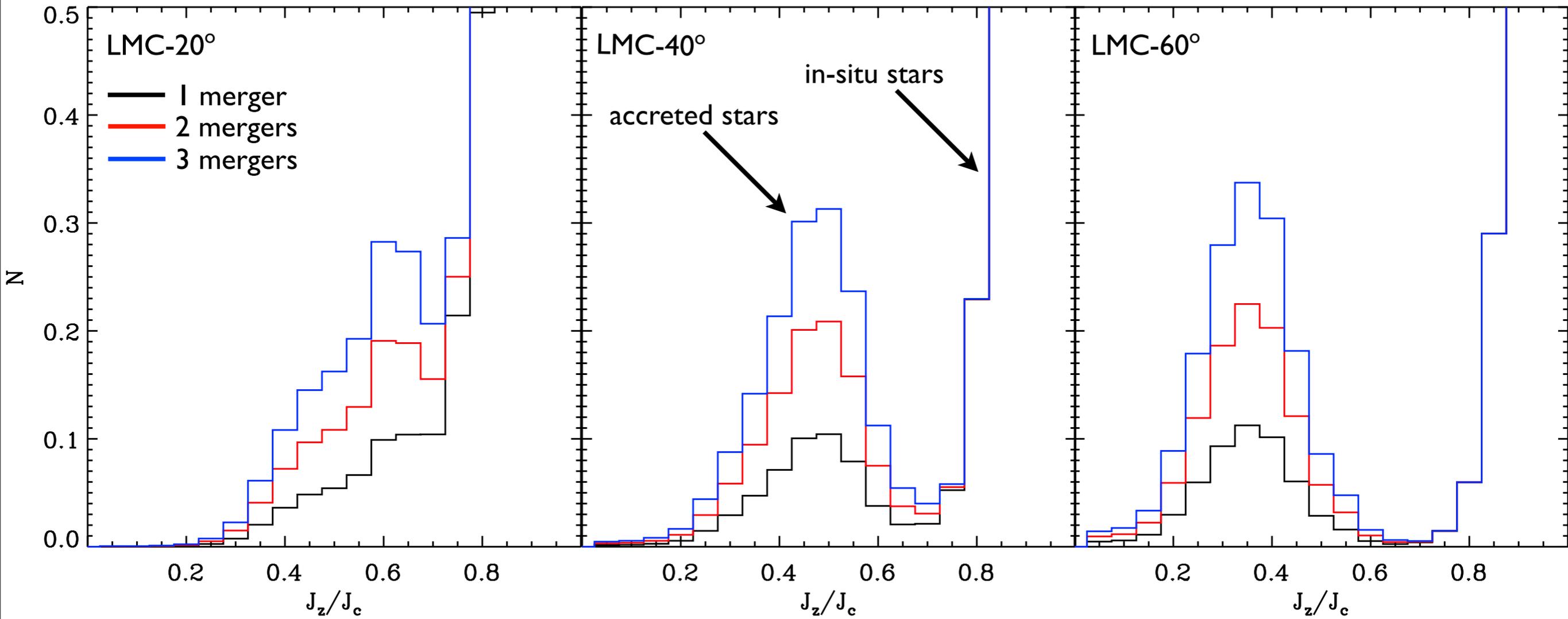


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Born in dwarf or outer disc



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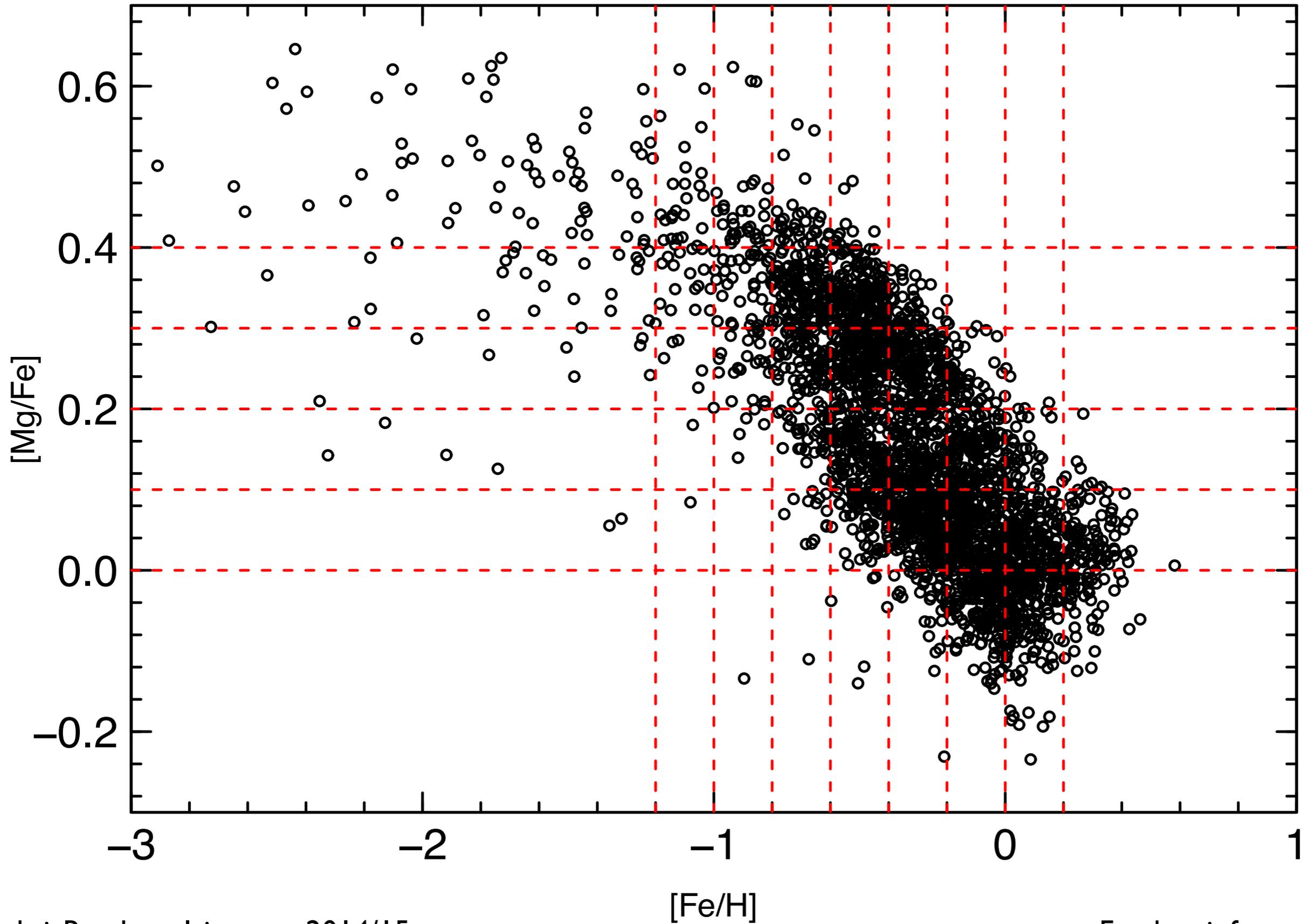


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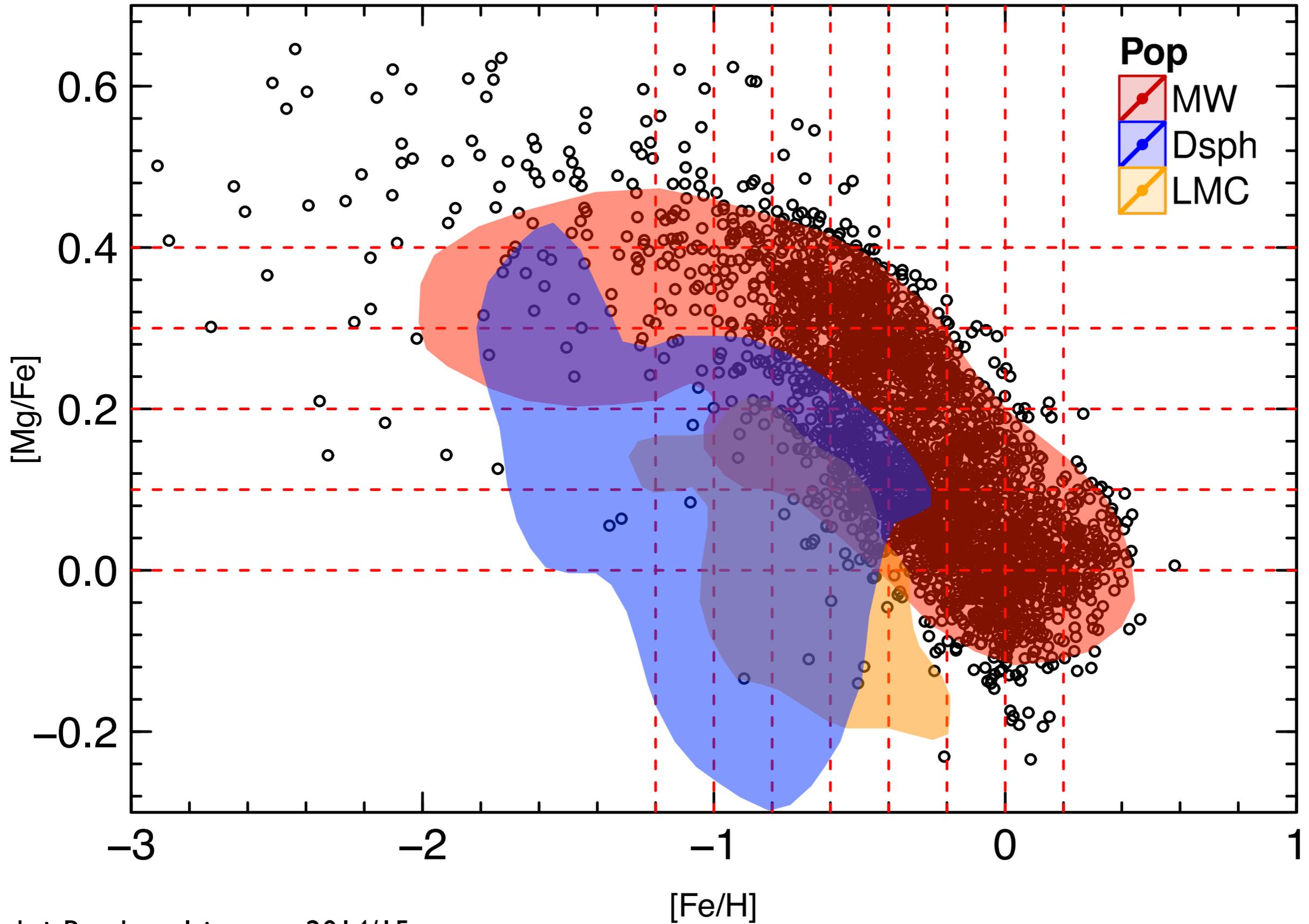
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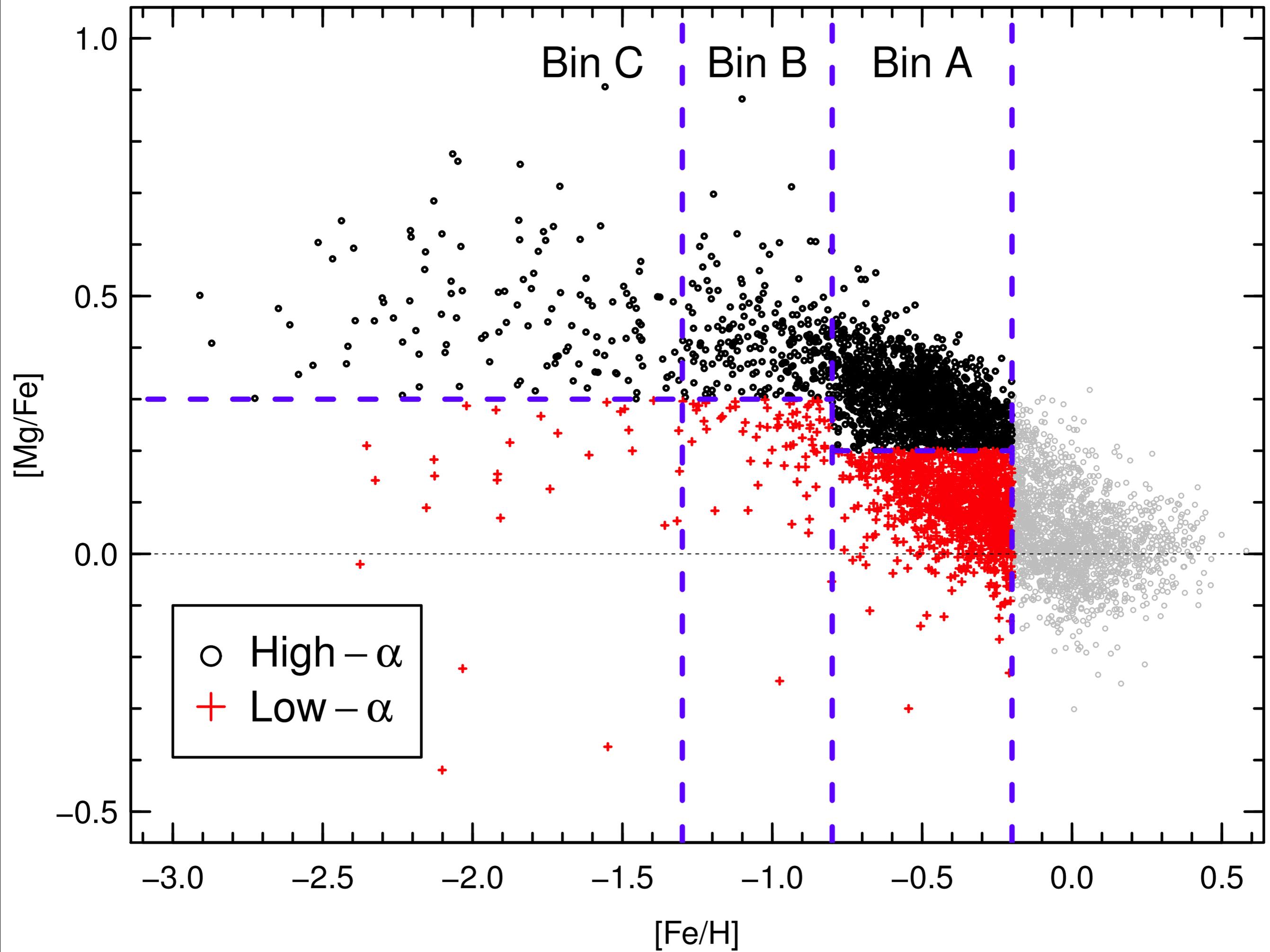


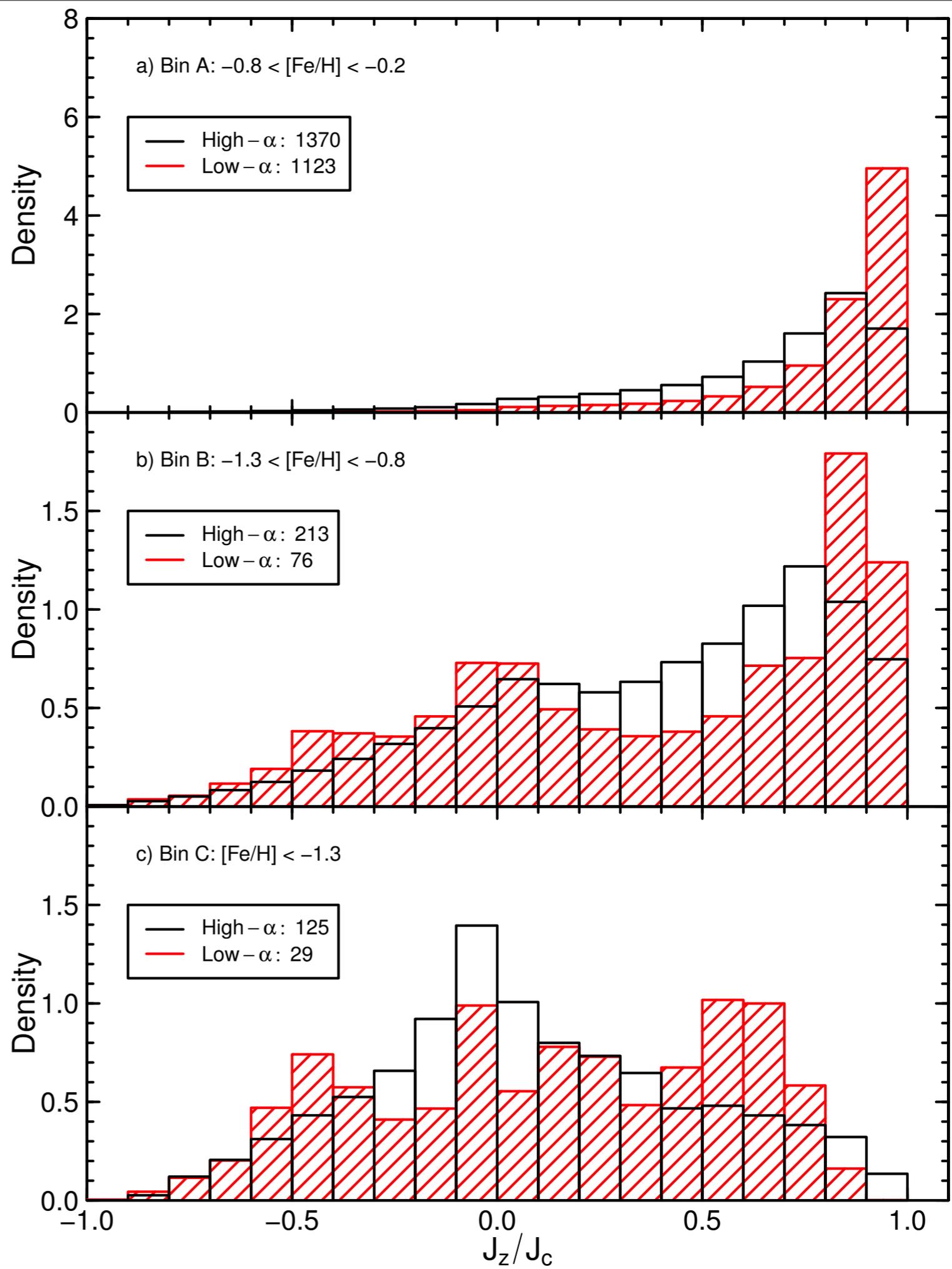
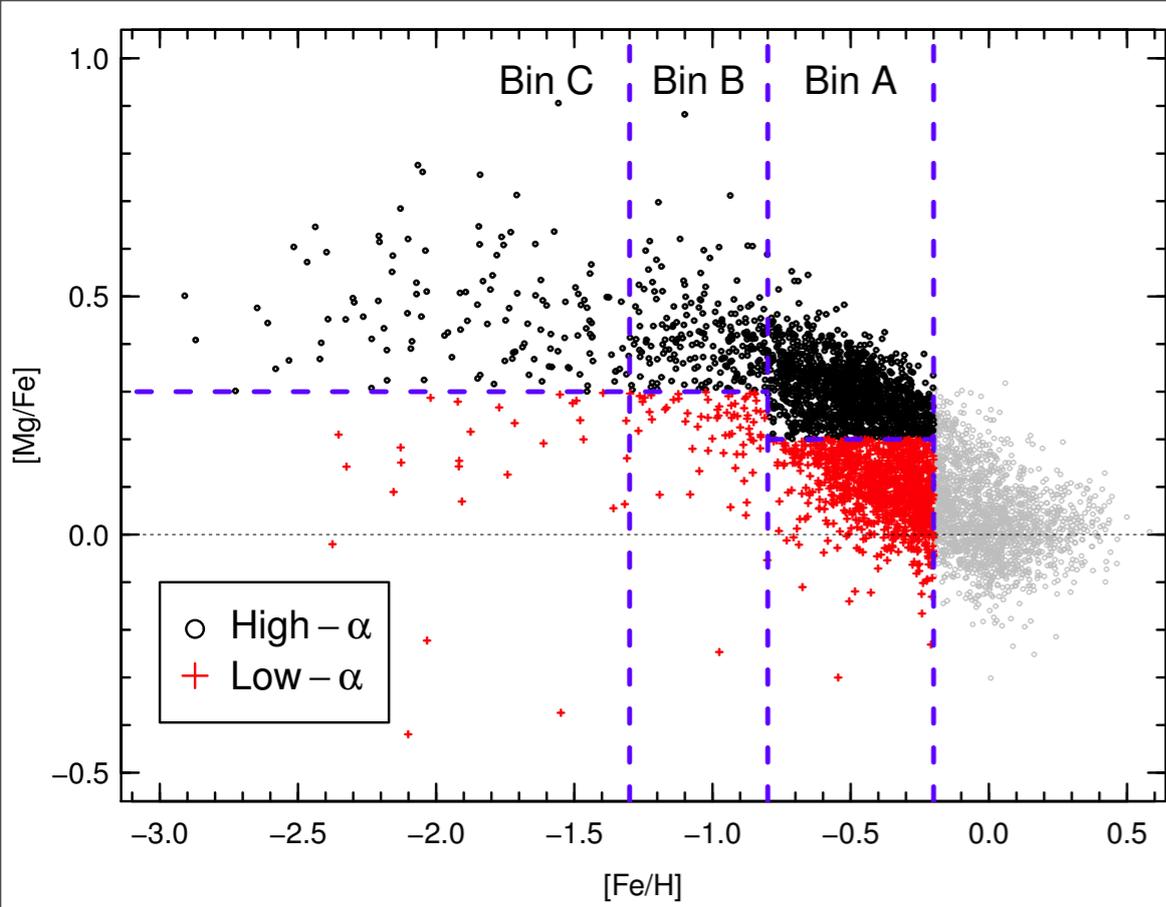
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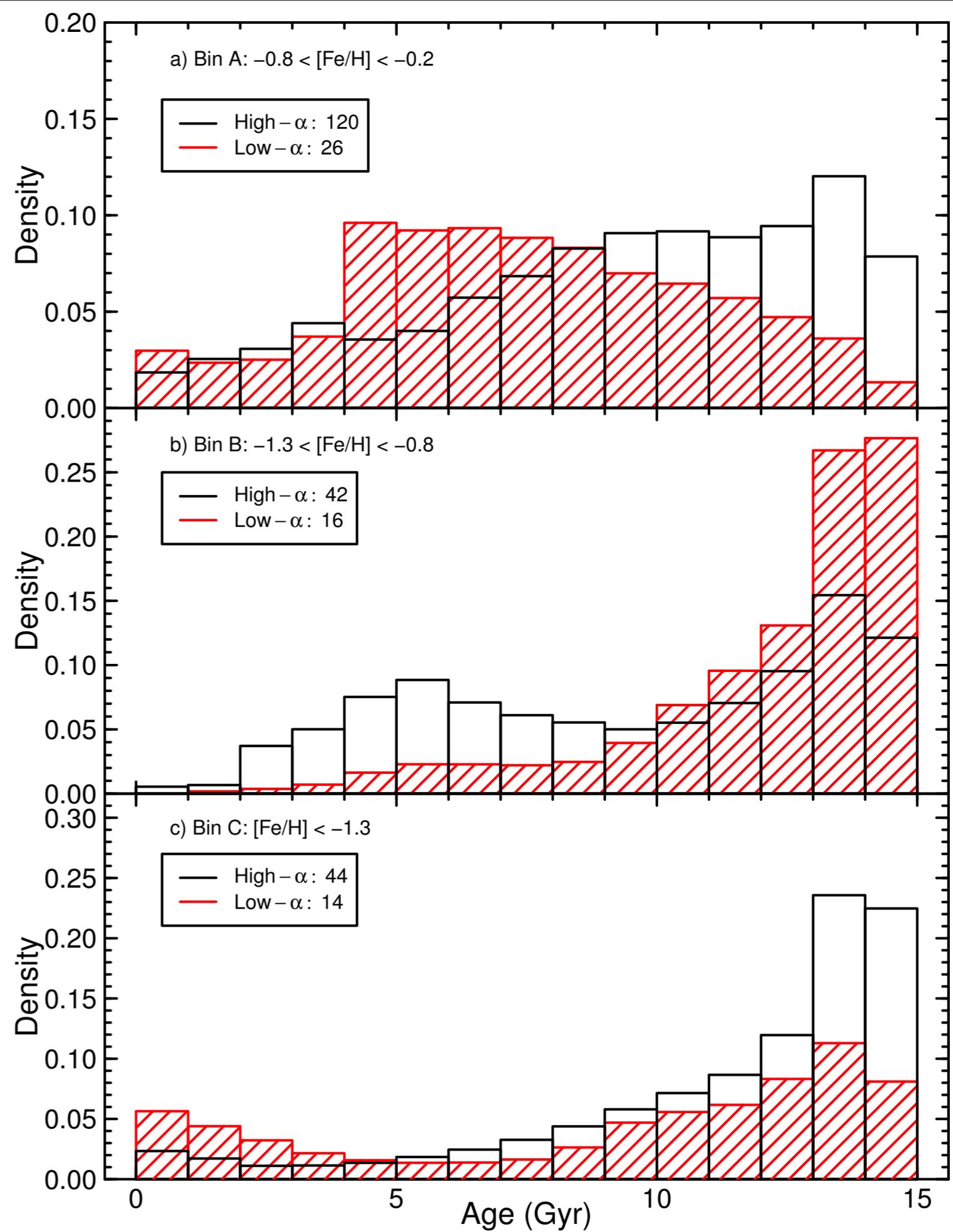
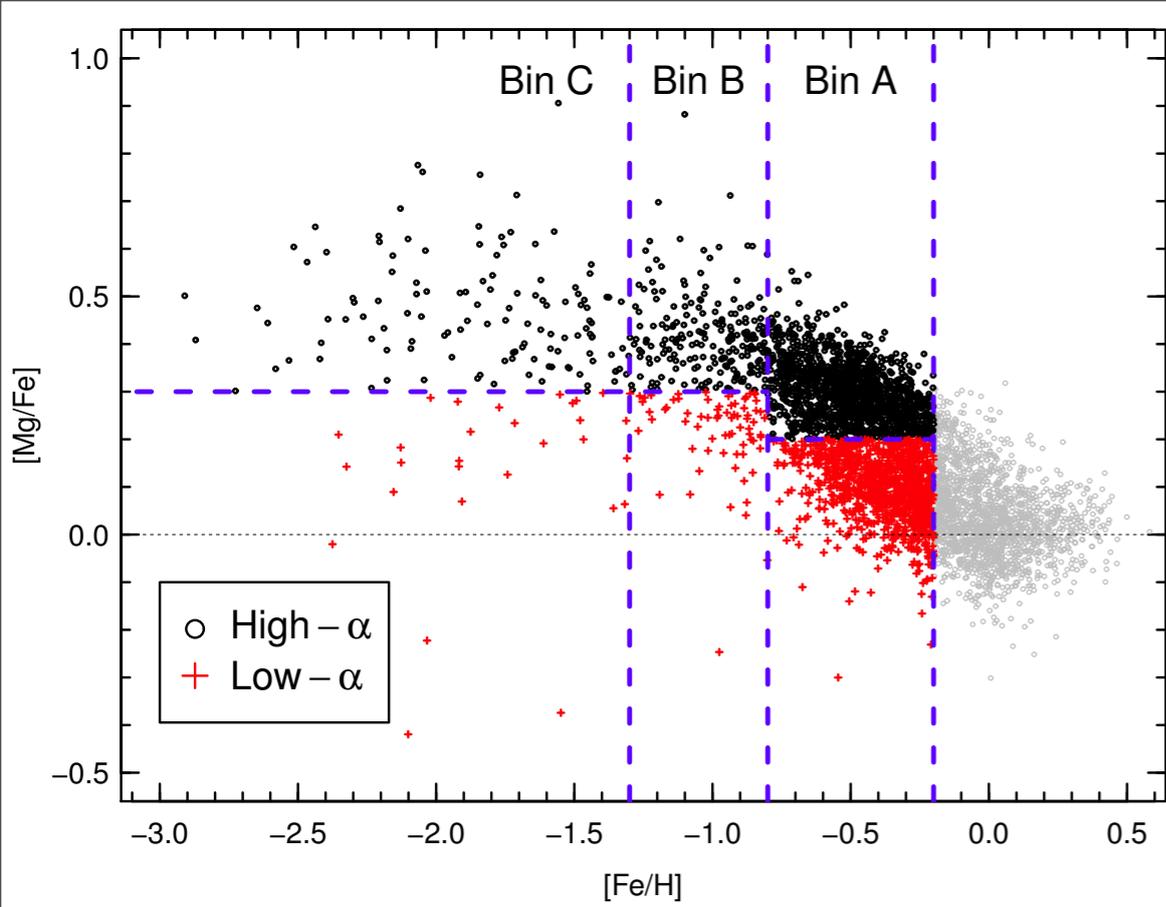


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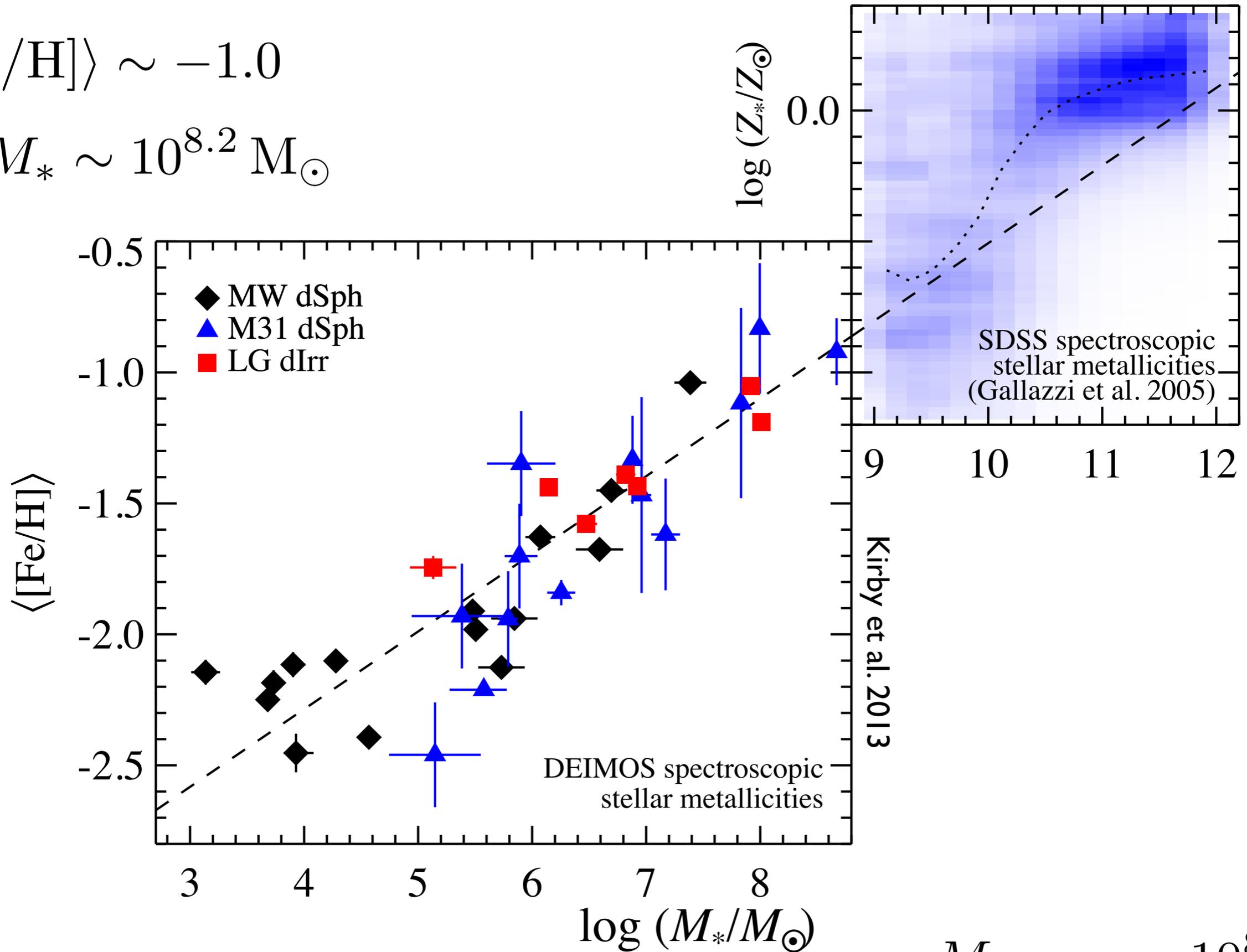




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$$\langle [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] \rangle \sim -1.0$$

$$\Rightarrow M_* \sim 10^{8.2} M_\odot$$



$$M_{*,\text{LMC}} \sim 10^{8.9} M_\odot$$

Conclusions

- Latest constraints on ρ_{dm} [assuming $\Sigma_b = 55 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$]:

$$\rho_{\text{dm}} = 0.33^{+0.26}_{-0.075} \text{ GeV cm}^{-3} \quad \rho_{\text{dm}} = 0.25 \pm 0.09 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}$$

[volume complete; G12*; R14] [SDSS; Z13]

- Comparing these with the rotation curve implies a near-spherical MW halo at $\sim 8\text{kpc}$, little dark disc, and a quiescent merger history.
- We have searched for stars accreted along with the dark disc, finding none so far; this supports the “quiescent MW” scenario.
- Gaia will move us into the realm of truly precise measurements of the local dark matter [and baryonic] density.