

The tight coupling between baryons and DM in galaxies

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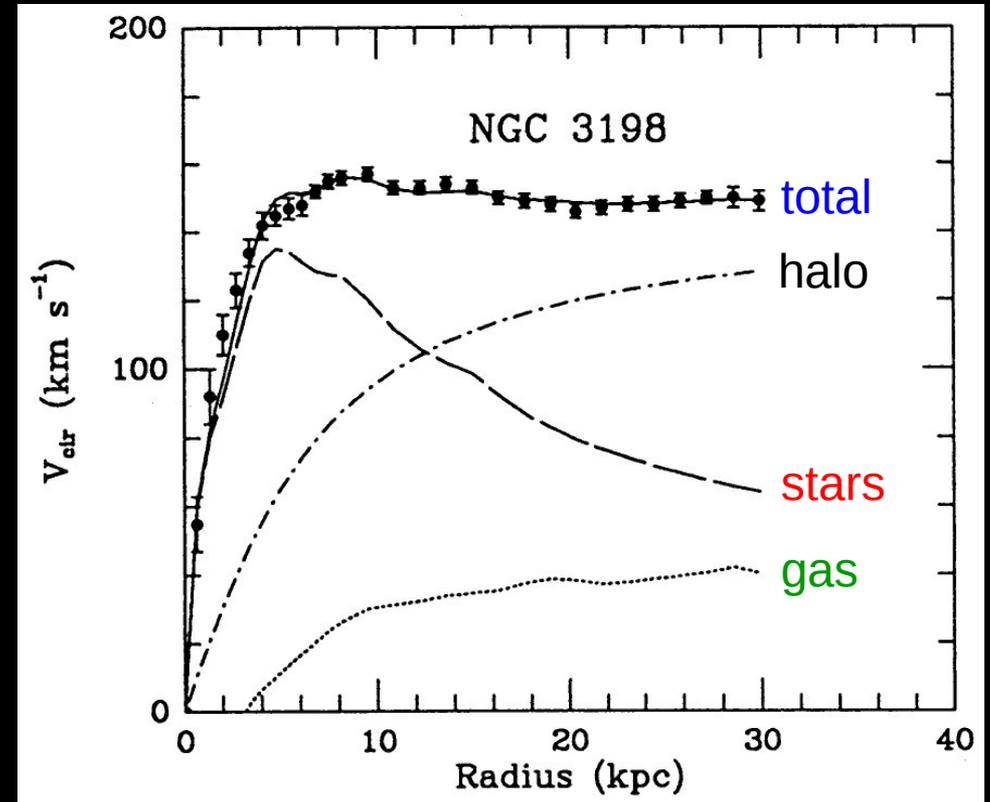
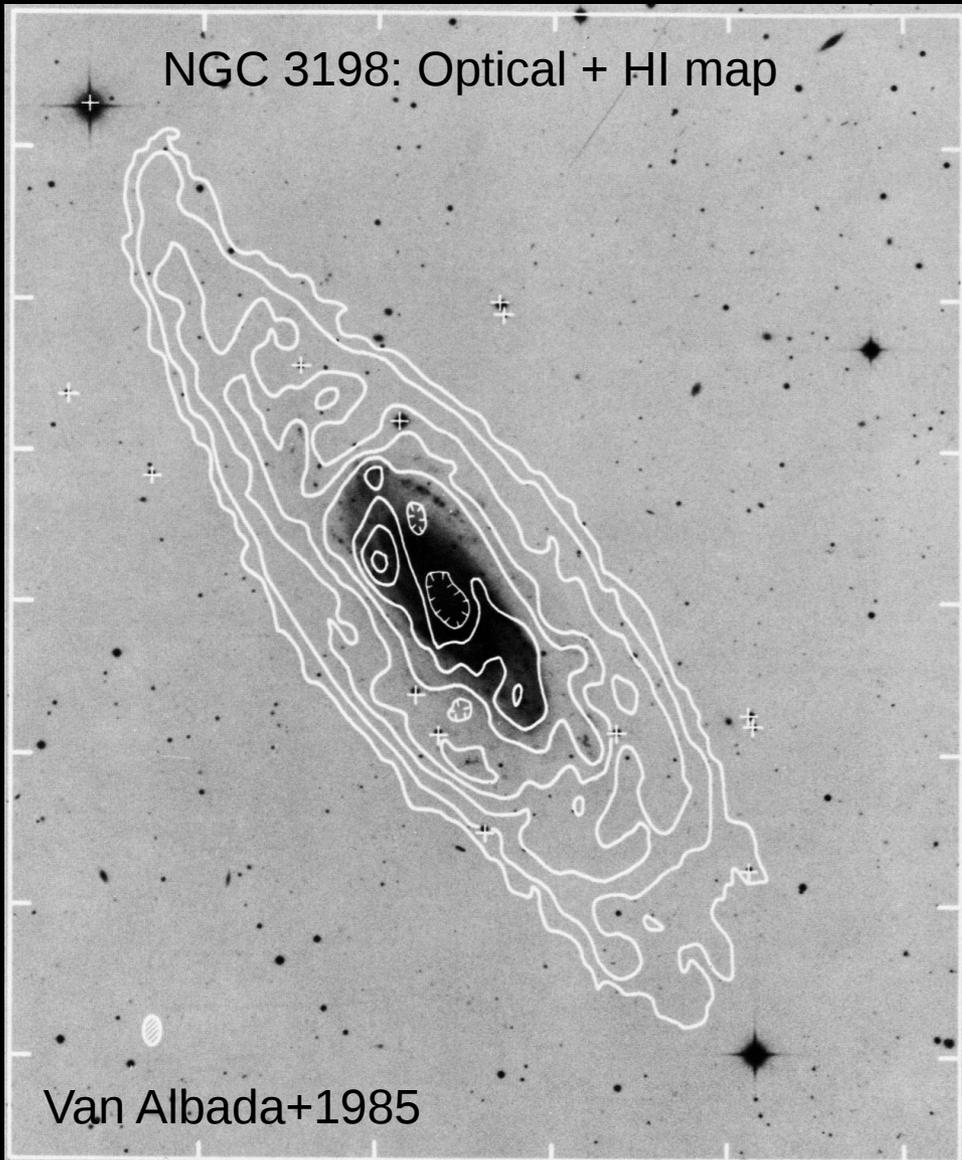
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Rotation curves: historical evidence for DM



Classic Approach:

- Assume spherical DM halo: $\rho = \rho(r)$
- Rotation curve fit with 3 parameters: ρ_0 , r_s (DM halo) and M_*/L (stars)

$$V_{\text{obs}}^2 = M_*/L \cdot V_{\text{stars}}^2 + V_{\text{gas}}^2 + V_{\text{DM}}^2(\rho_0, r_s)$$

Outline

I. The SPARC Galaxy Database

II. The Radial Acceleration Relation (RAR)

III. Models in LCDM and Open Problems

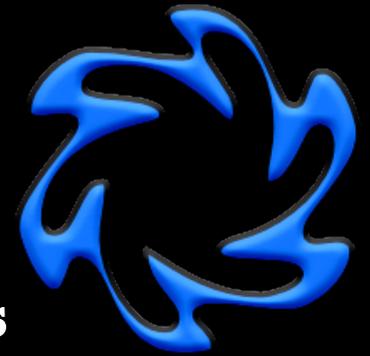


Database for 175 Late-Type Galaxies at $z \sim 0$
(spirals and dwarf irregulars):

astroweb.case.edu/SPARC

Lelli, McGaugh, Schombert 2016, AJ

SPARC



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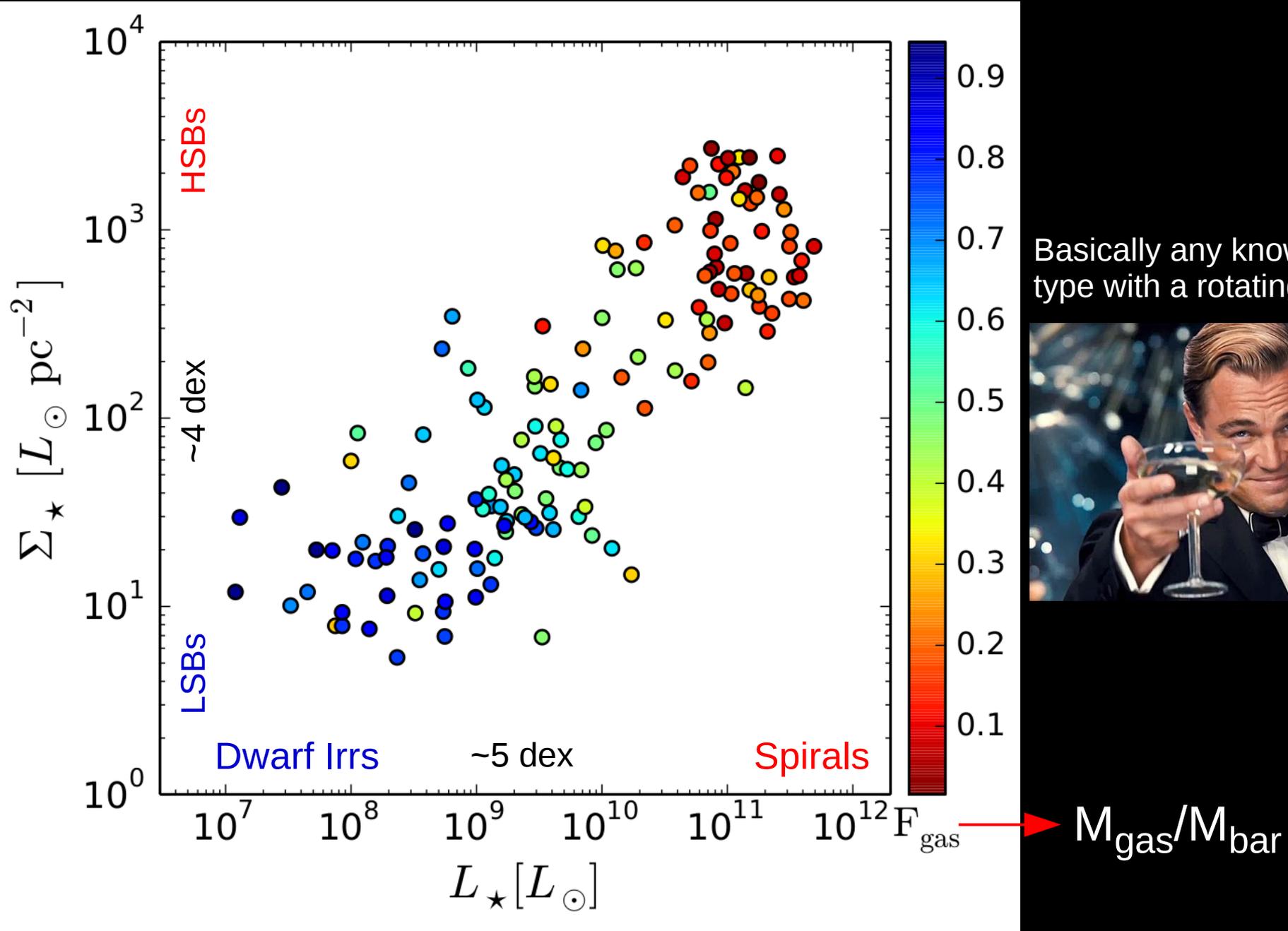
- **Homogeneous Photometry at 3.6 μm**

- Optimal tracer of the stellar mass: $M_* = Y_* L$
- Smaller variations of Y_* in the NIR than optical

Verheijen 2001; Bell & de Jong 2001; Martinsson+2013; Meidt+2014;
McGaugh & Schombert 2014; Schombert & McGaugh 2014;
Querejeta+2015; Röck+2015; Herrmann+2016; Norris+2016.



Widest possible range of disk properties

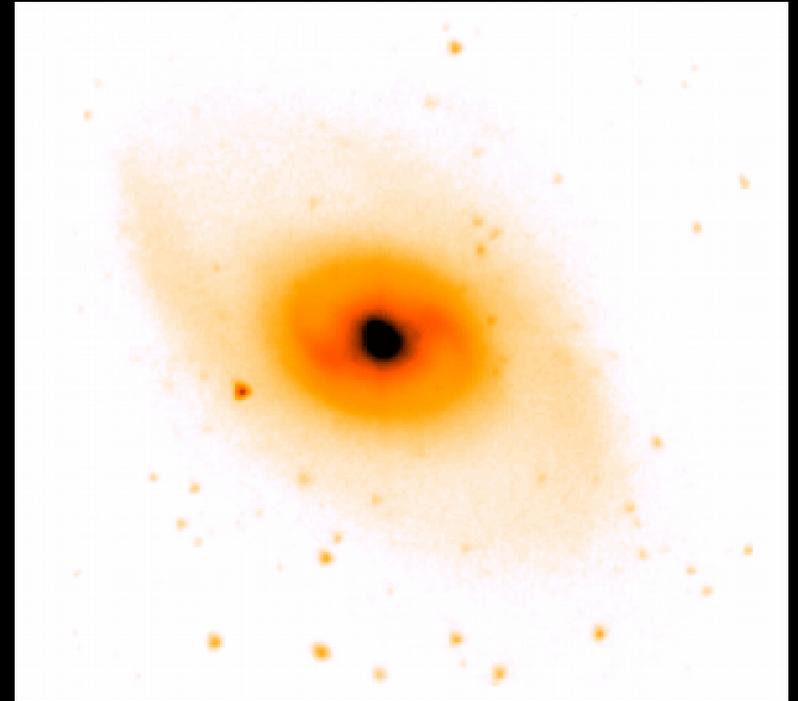
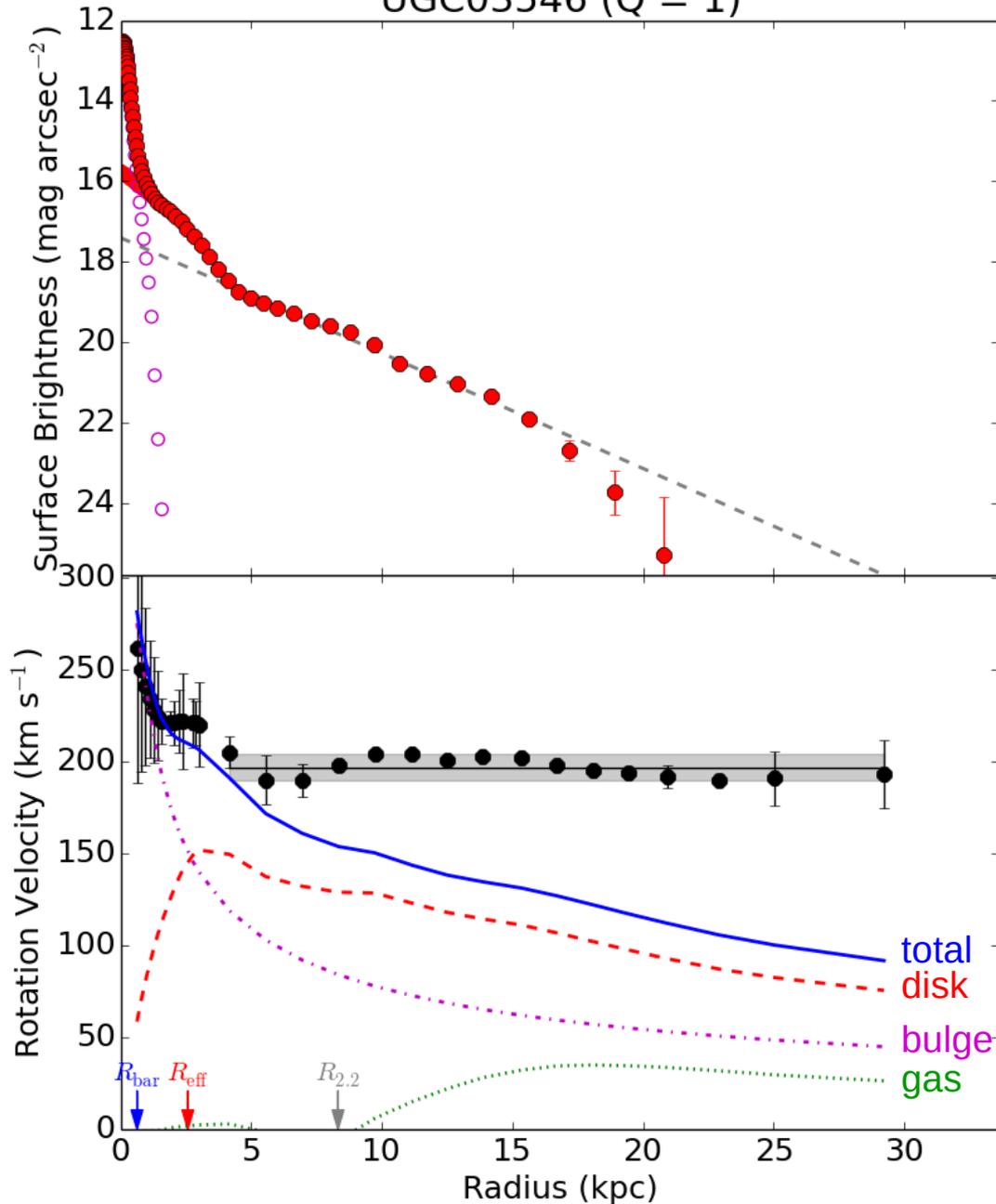


Basically any known galaxy type with a rotating HI disk.



Example: High-Mass, High-Density Spiral

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$$\nabla^2 \Phi_{\text{bar}}(R, z) = 4\pi G \rho_{\text{bar}}(R, z)$$

- Vertical Structure:

Disks: $\exp(-z/h_z)$ with $h_z \propto h_R$

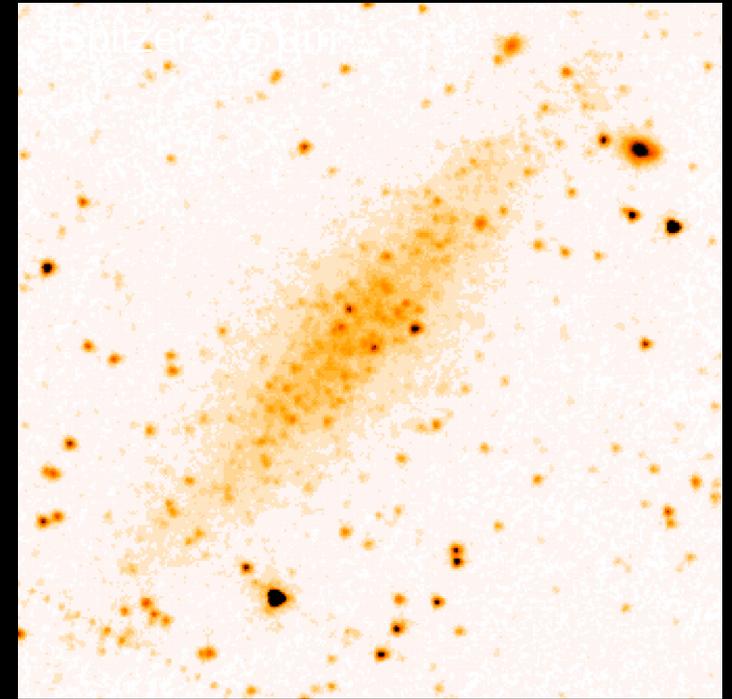
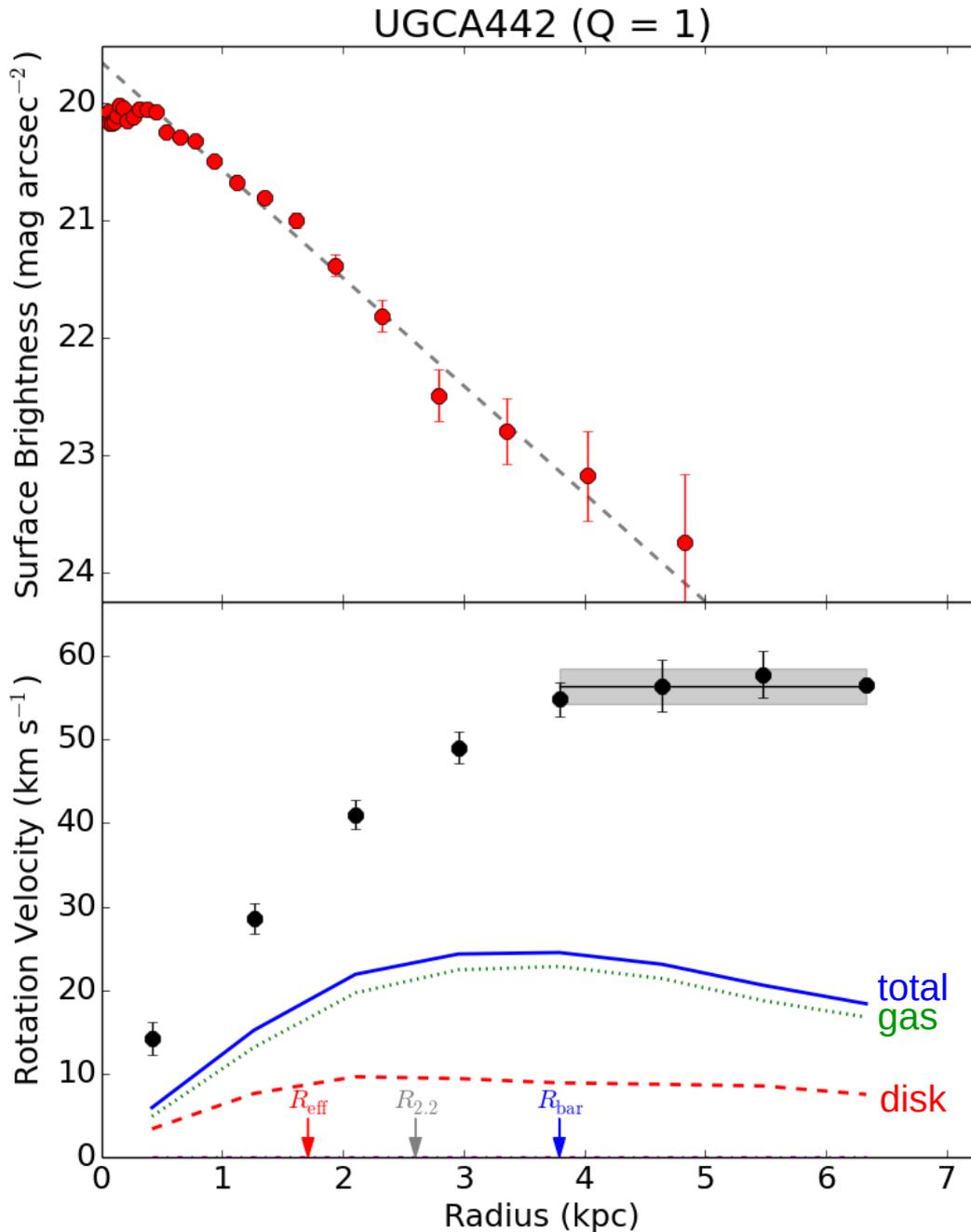
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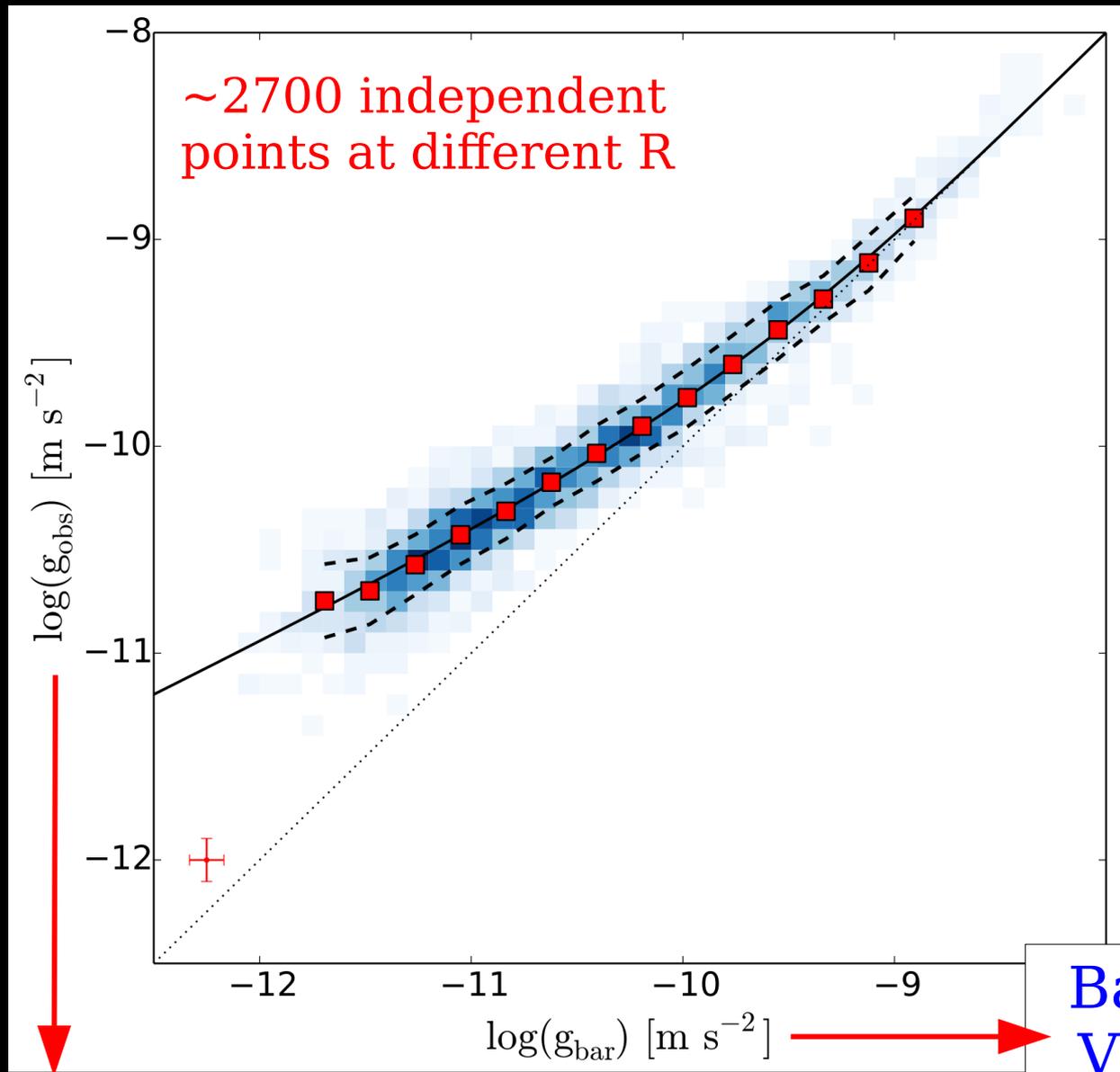
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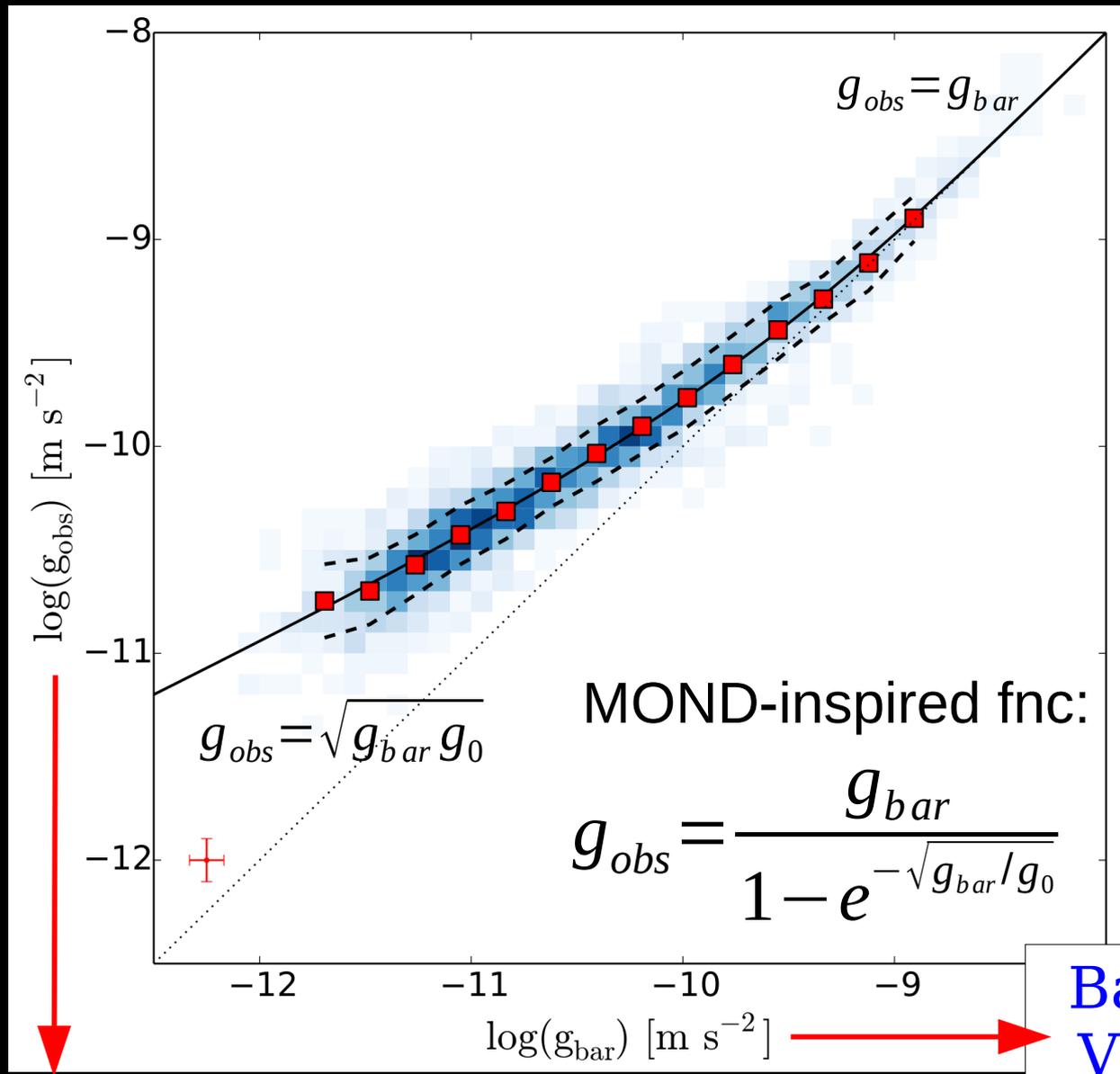
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McGaugh+2016, PRL
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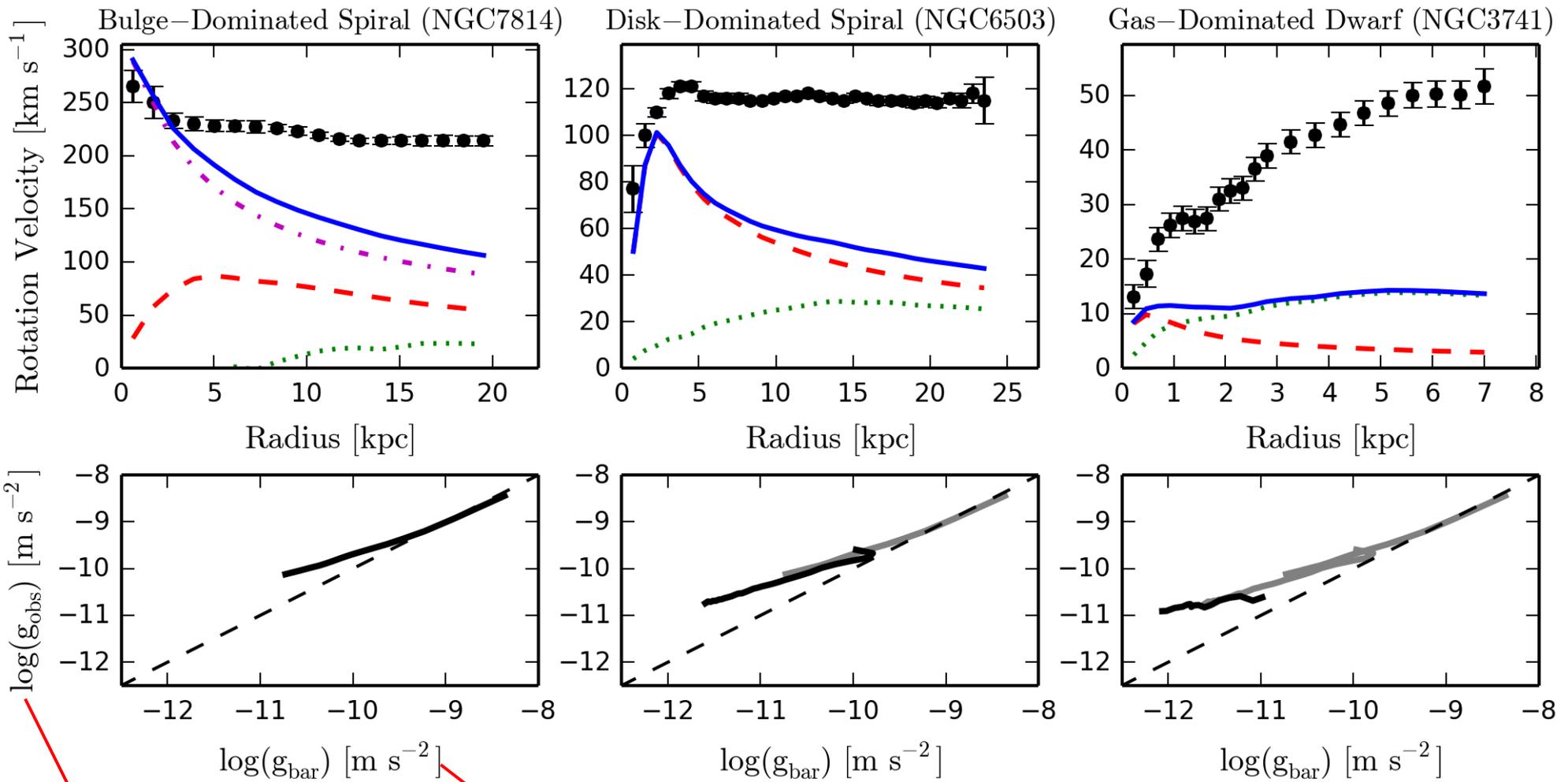
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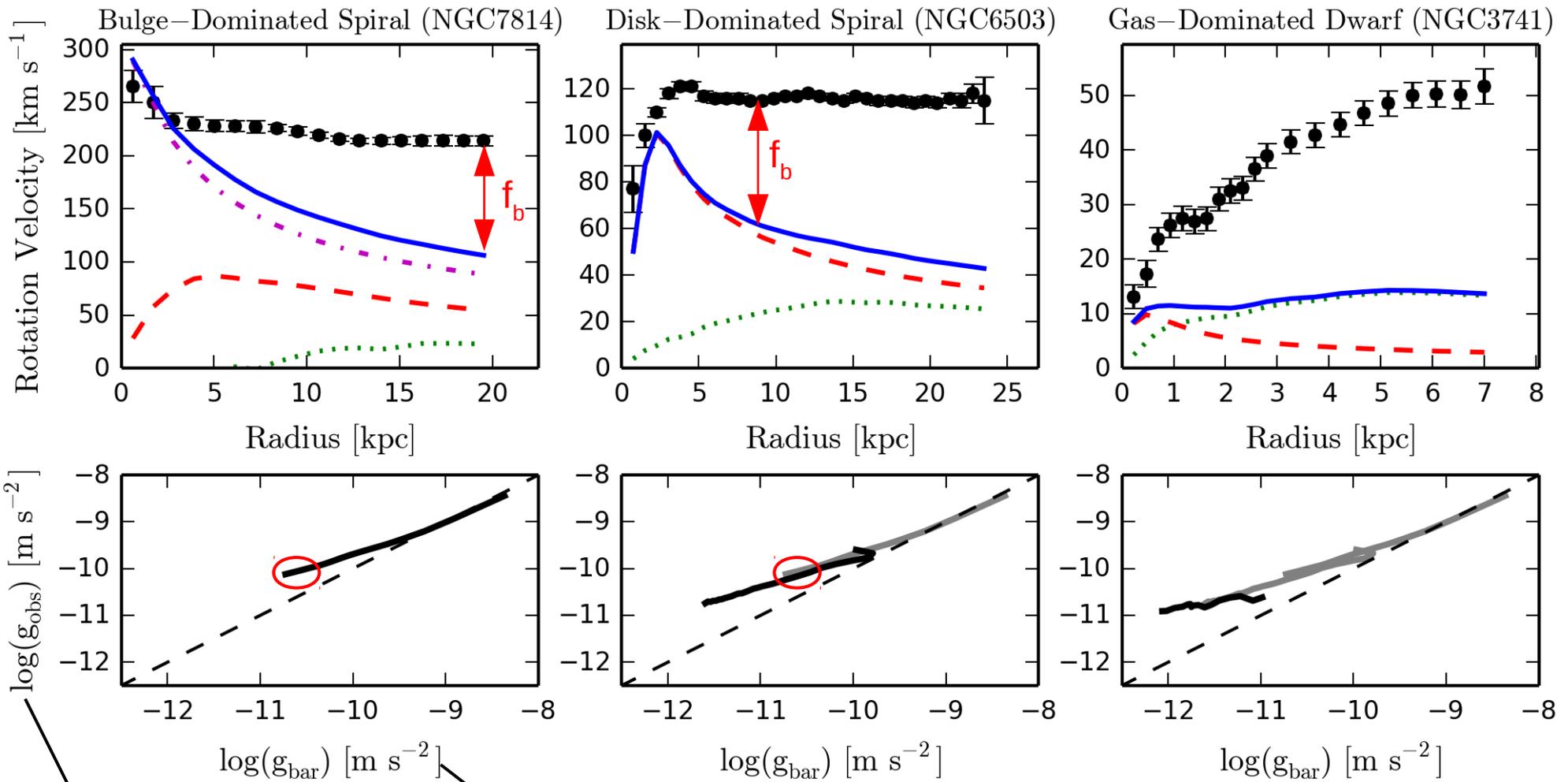
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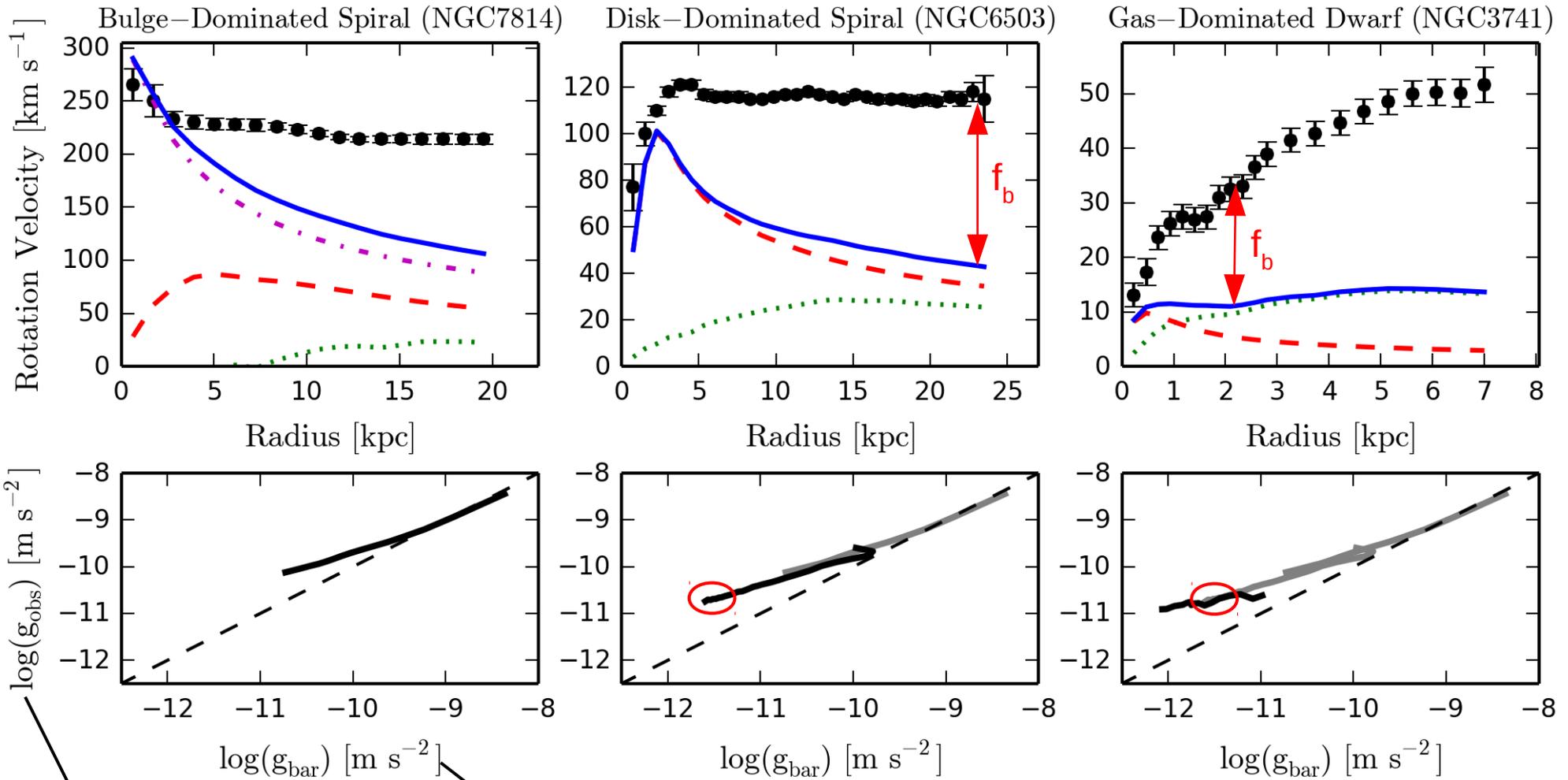
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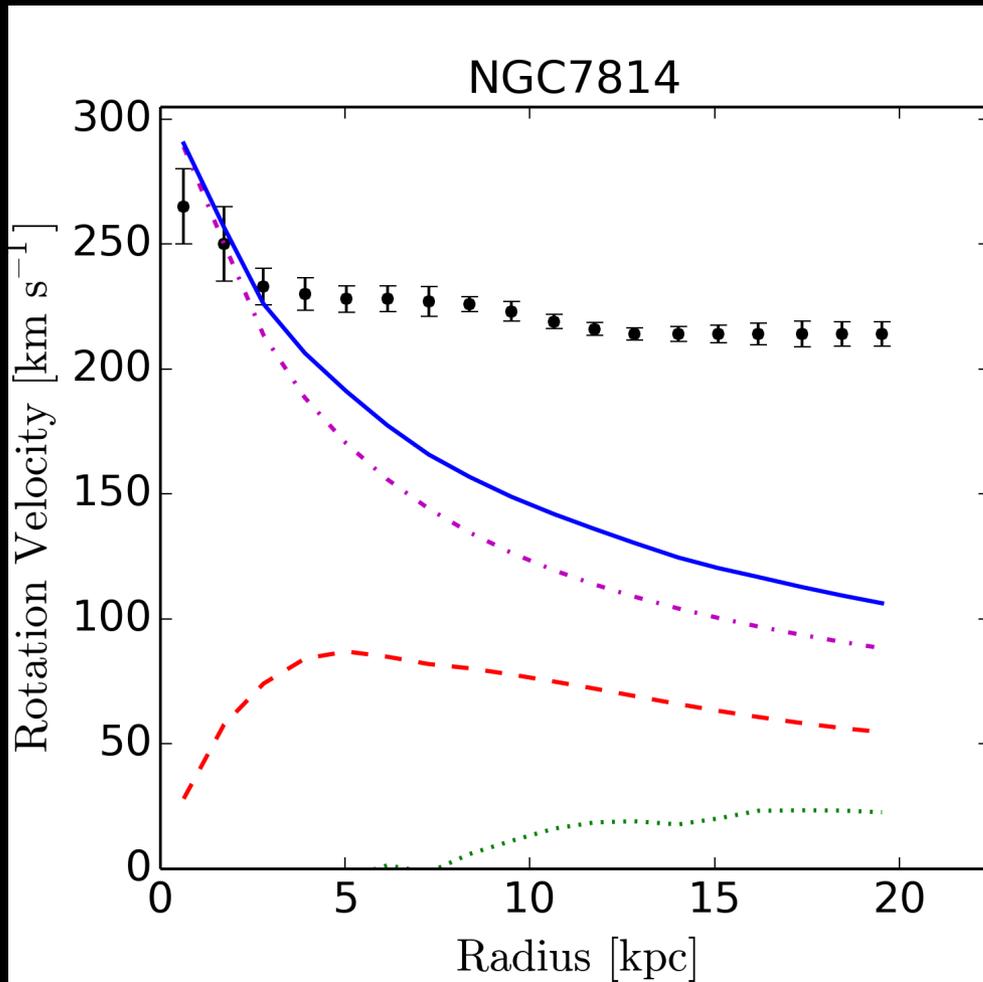
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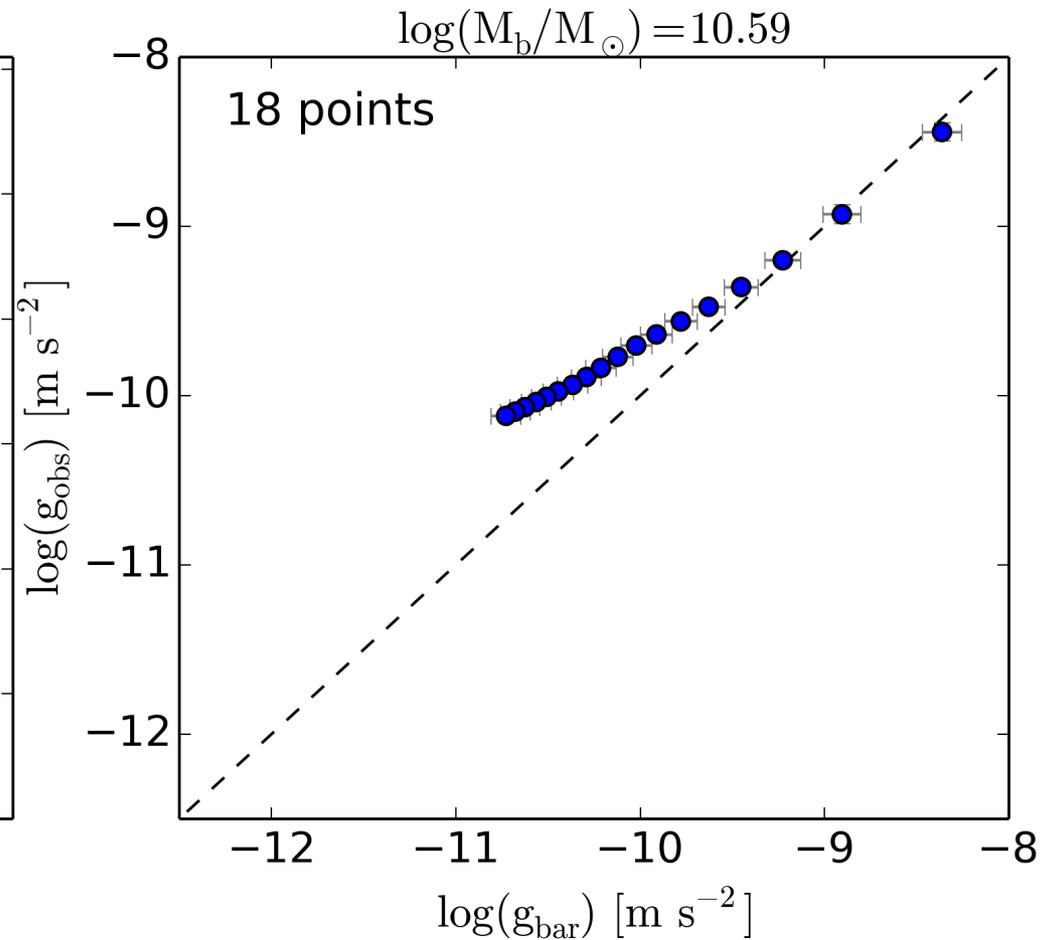
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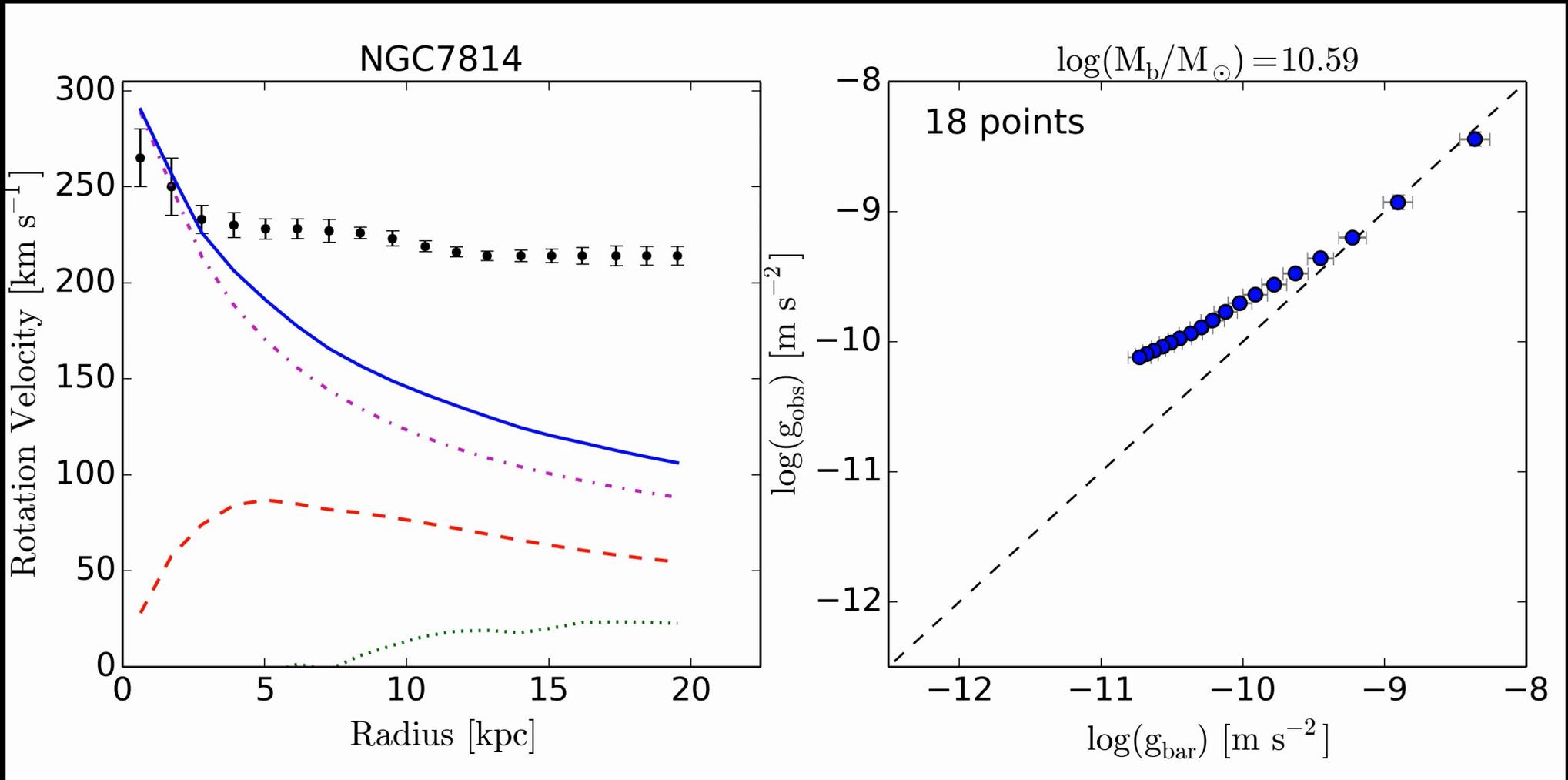


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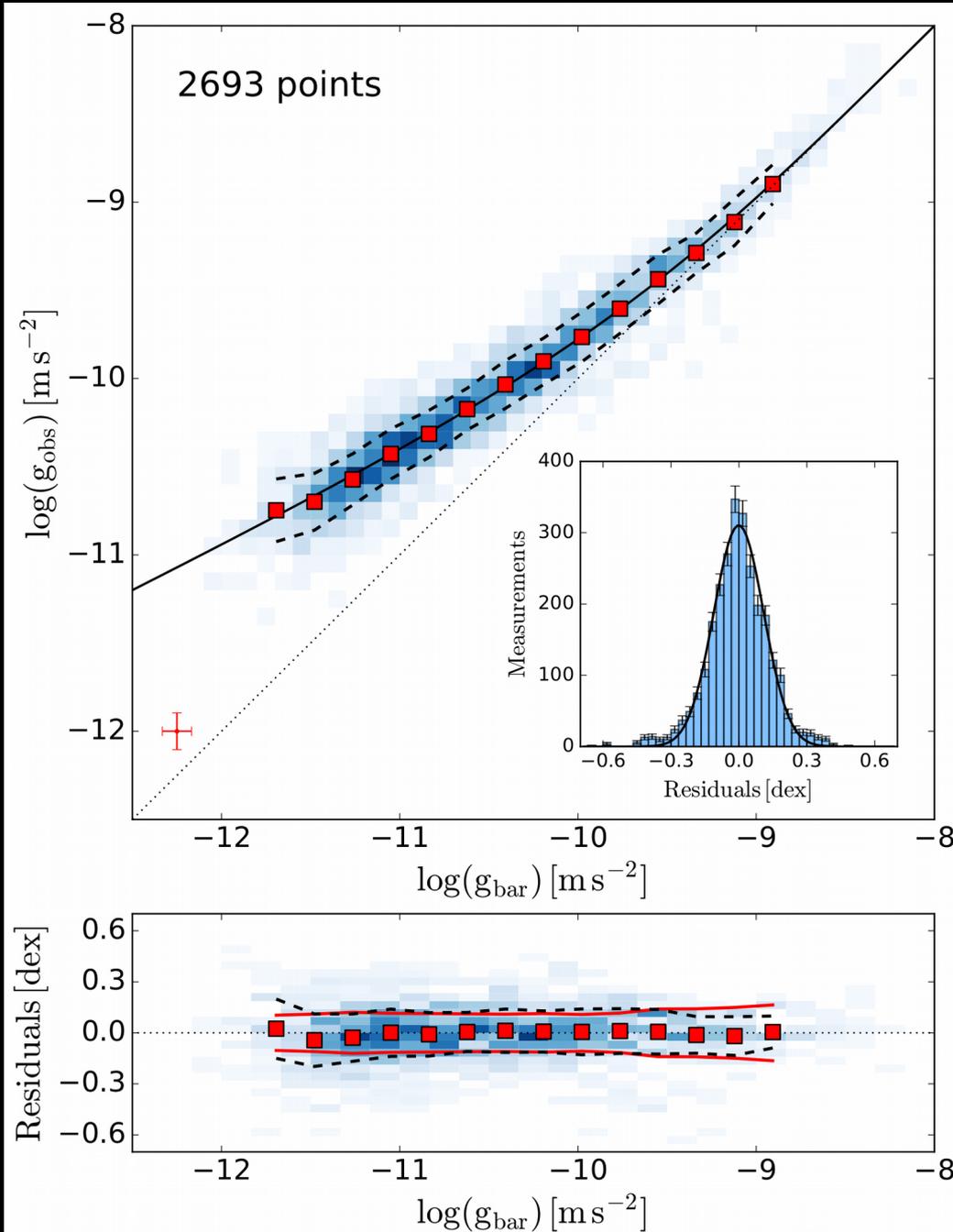
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Is There Any Intrinsic Scatter?



Uncertainties drive scatter!

$\text{err}(g_{\text{bar}}) \rightarrow \Upsilon_*$, 3D geometry

$\text{err}(g_{\text{obs}}) \rightarrow \text{Dist, Inc, } V_{\text{rot}}$

$$\sigma_{\text{obs}}^2 = \sigma_{\text{err}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{int}}^2$$

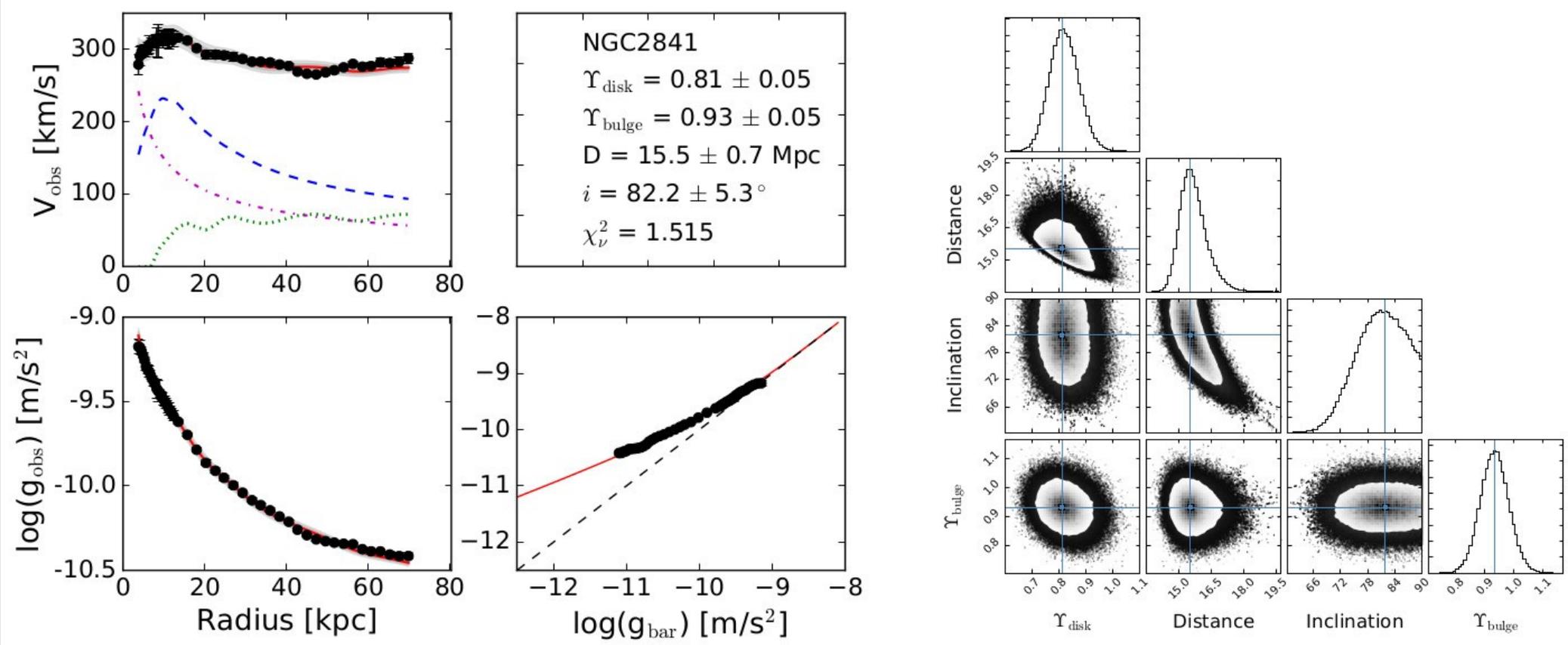
$\sigma_{\text{obs}} \rightarrow$ measured rms

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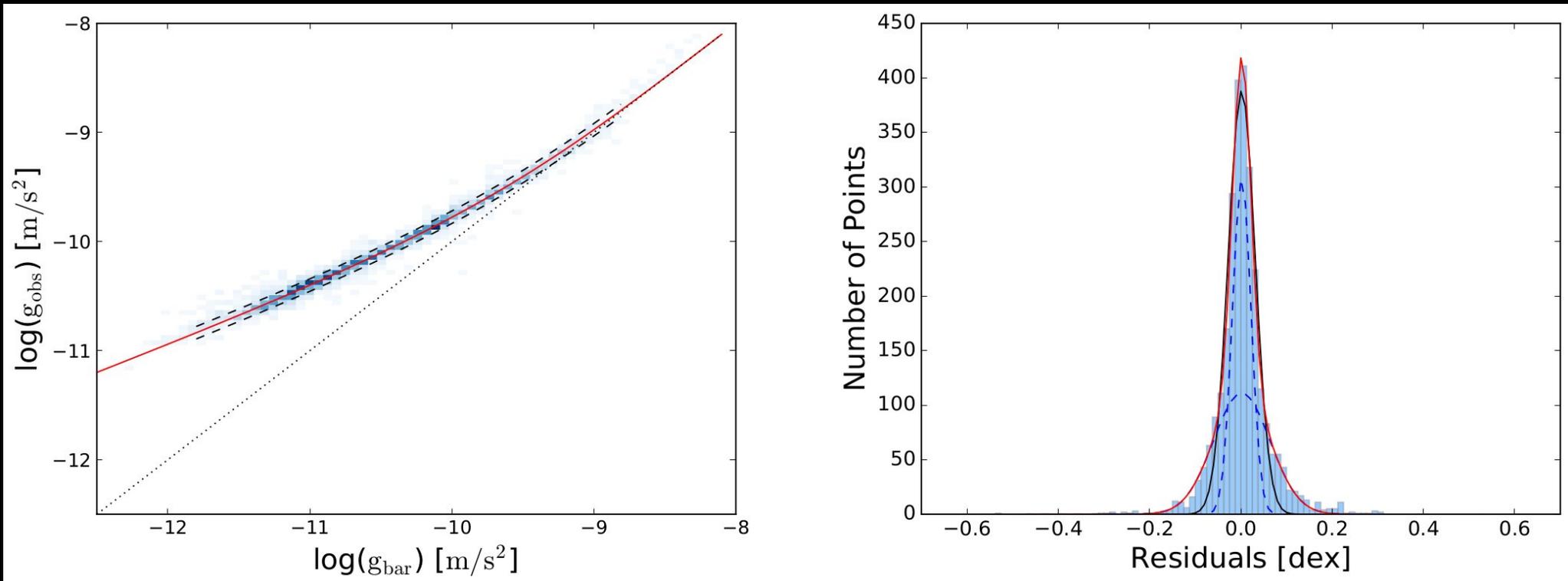


Fit the mean relation to individual galaxies
marginalizing over D , i , Υ_{disc} , and Υ_{bul} .

Gaussian priors on free parameters with $\sigma = \sigma_{\text{err}}$

Li, LELLI, McGaugh, Schombert 2018, A&A

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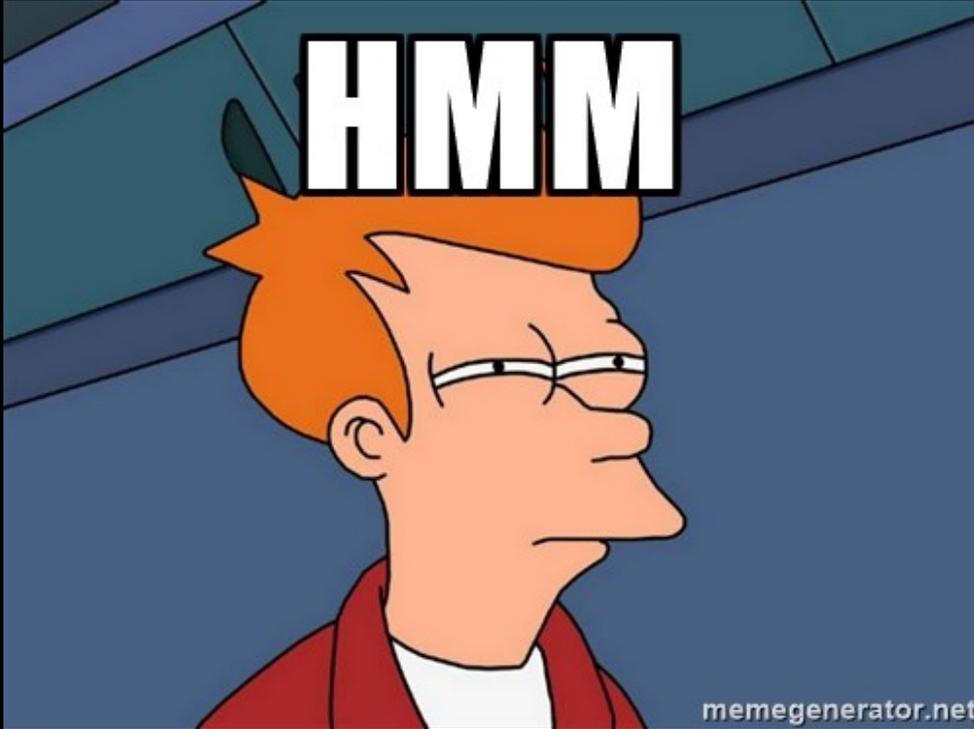


Extremely tight relation: $\sigma_{\text{obs}} = 0.057$ dex ($\sim 13\%$)

Not trivial because D , i , and Υ_* are global prop!

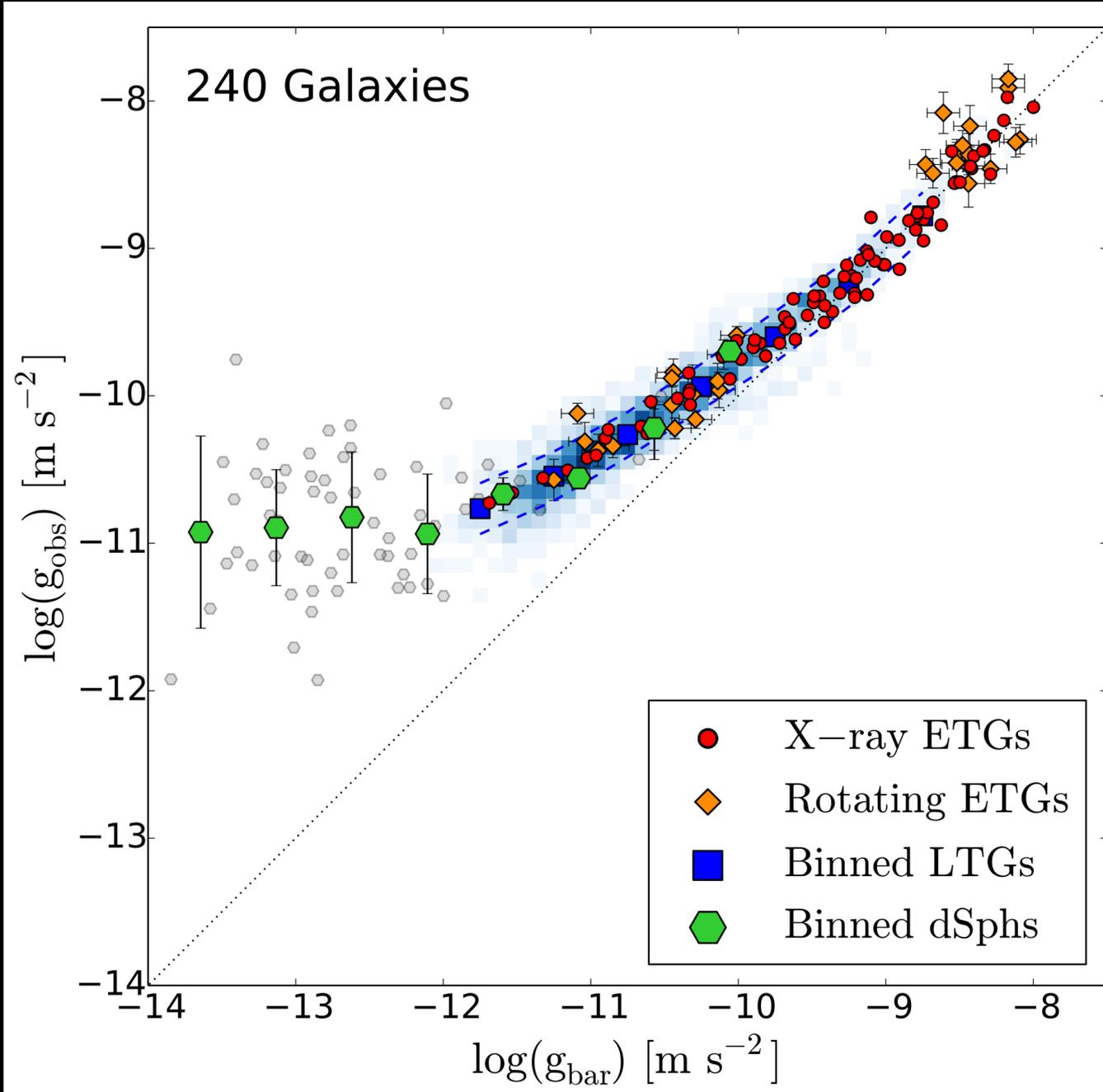
Residual best-fitted by two Gaussians:

it can be explained by two error sources in $V_{\text{rot}}!$



**OK. This works for
star-forming galaxies...
What about passive
ones (ETGs)?**

Radial Acceleration Relation for ETGs



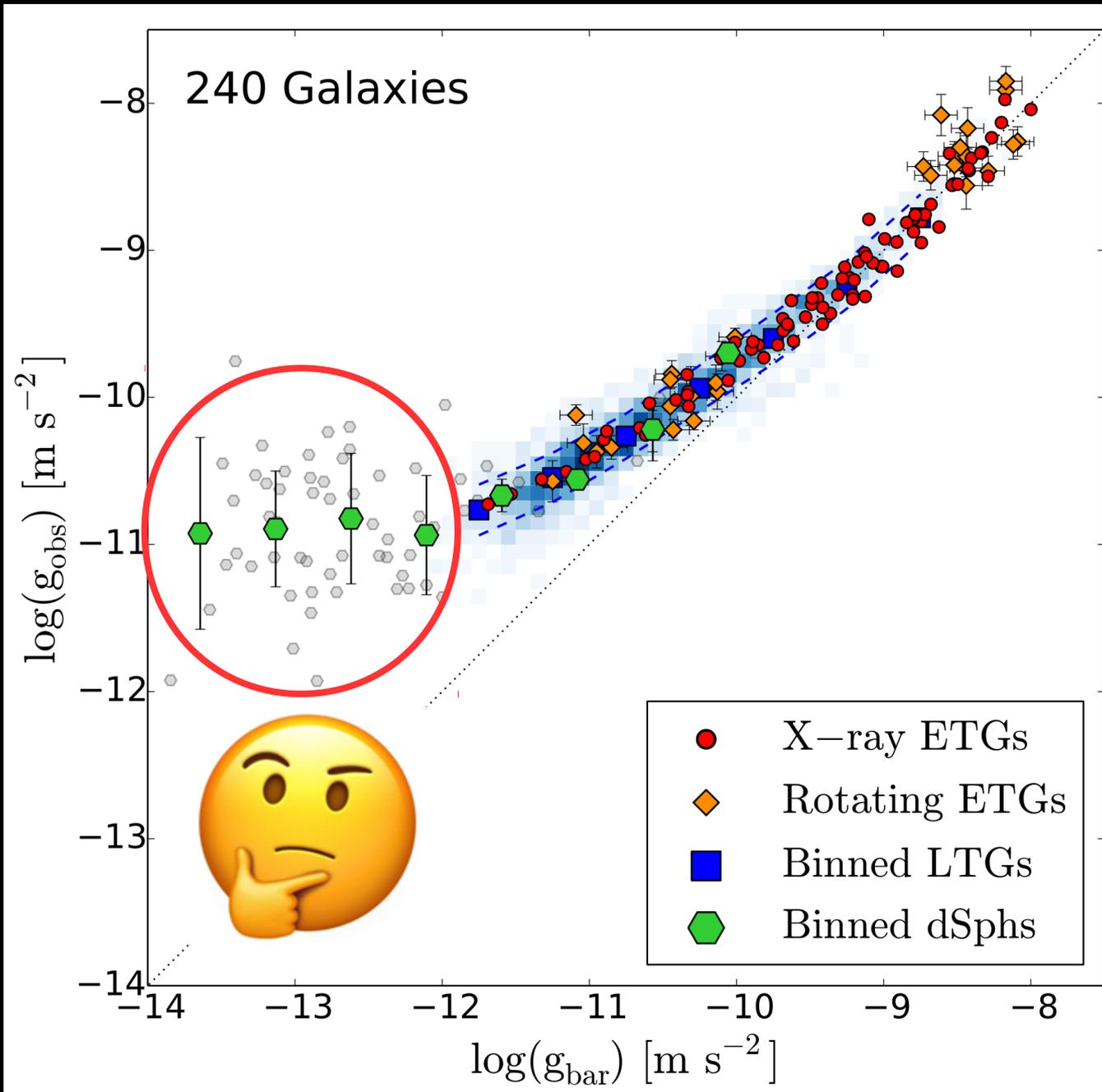
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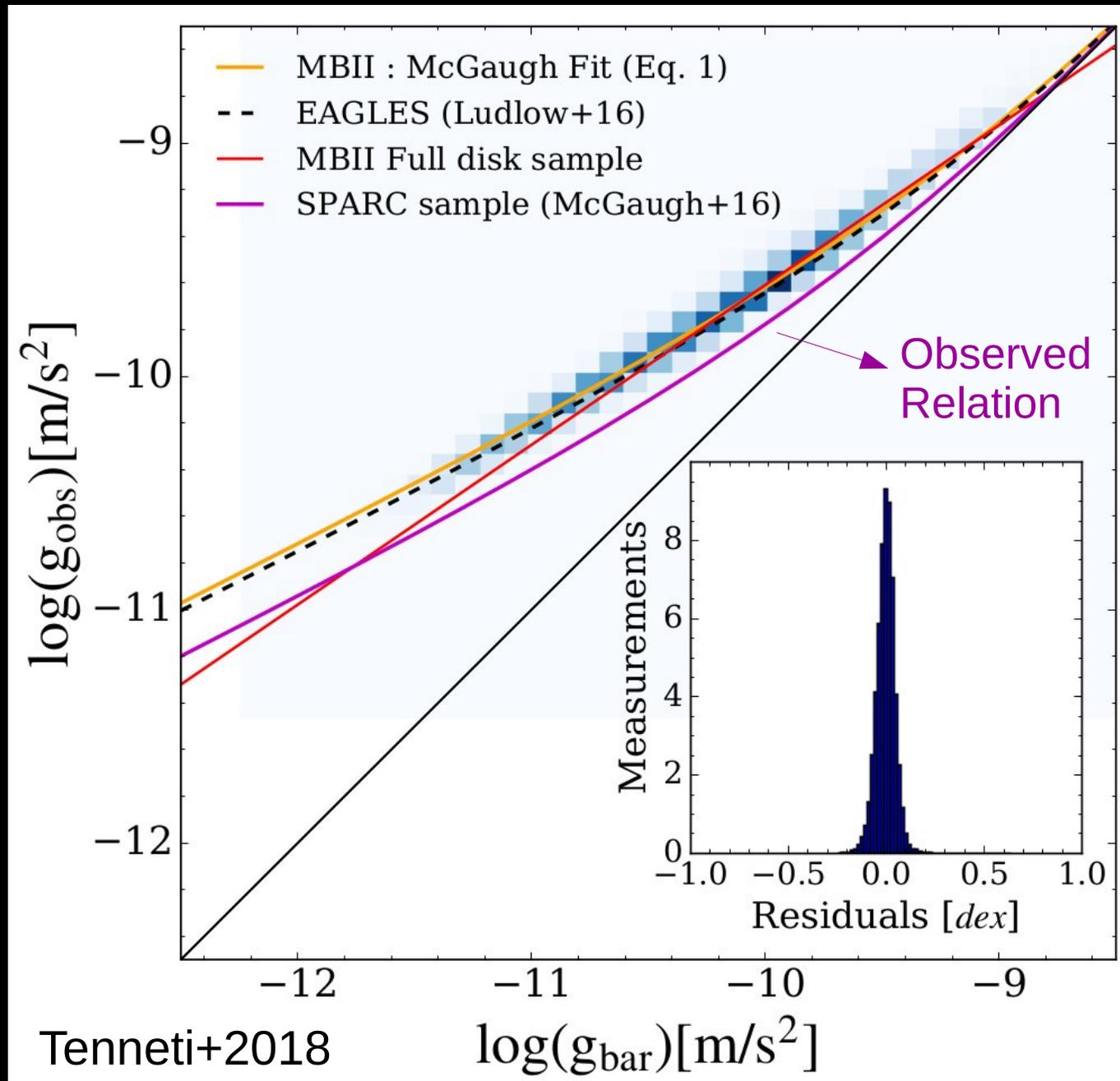
“Cusp-Core” is just a symptom of a more serious illness:

Baryon-DM coupling at each radius (not just the center).

No freedom to fit arbitrary DM halos!

III. Models in LCDM

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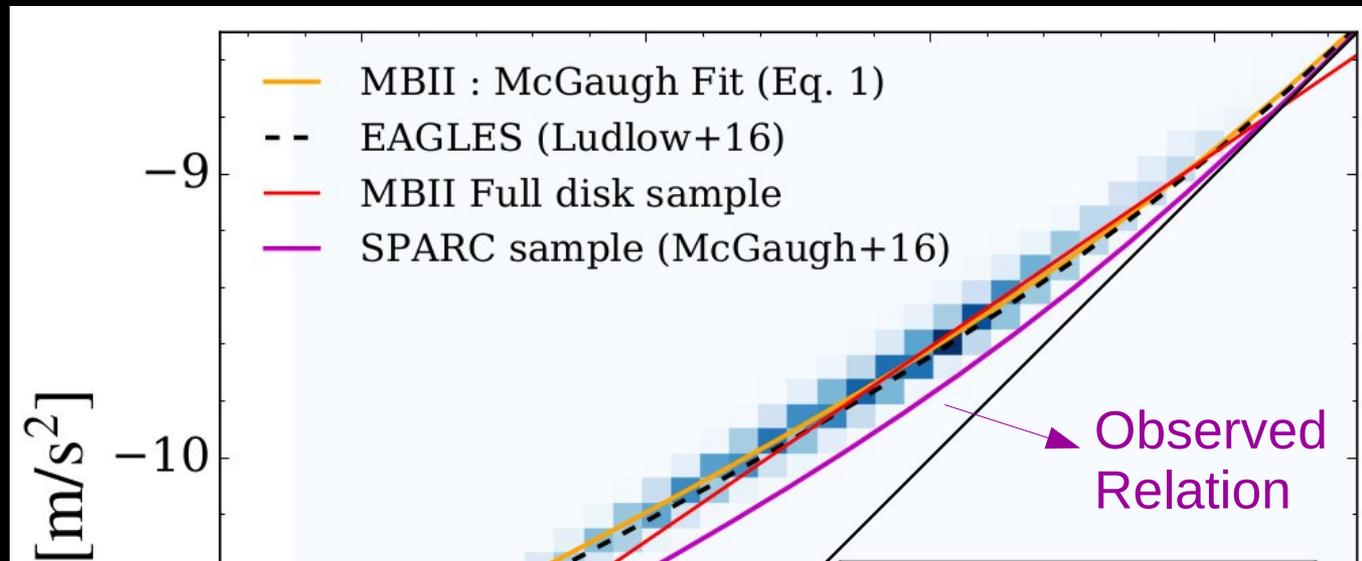
MassiveBlack II:
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ZOMG simulations:
Garaldi et al. 2018

In Summary:

- RAR is reproduced but shape is a problem
- Sims have too much DM inside galaxies at every radius (~50%)

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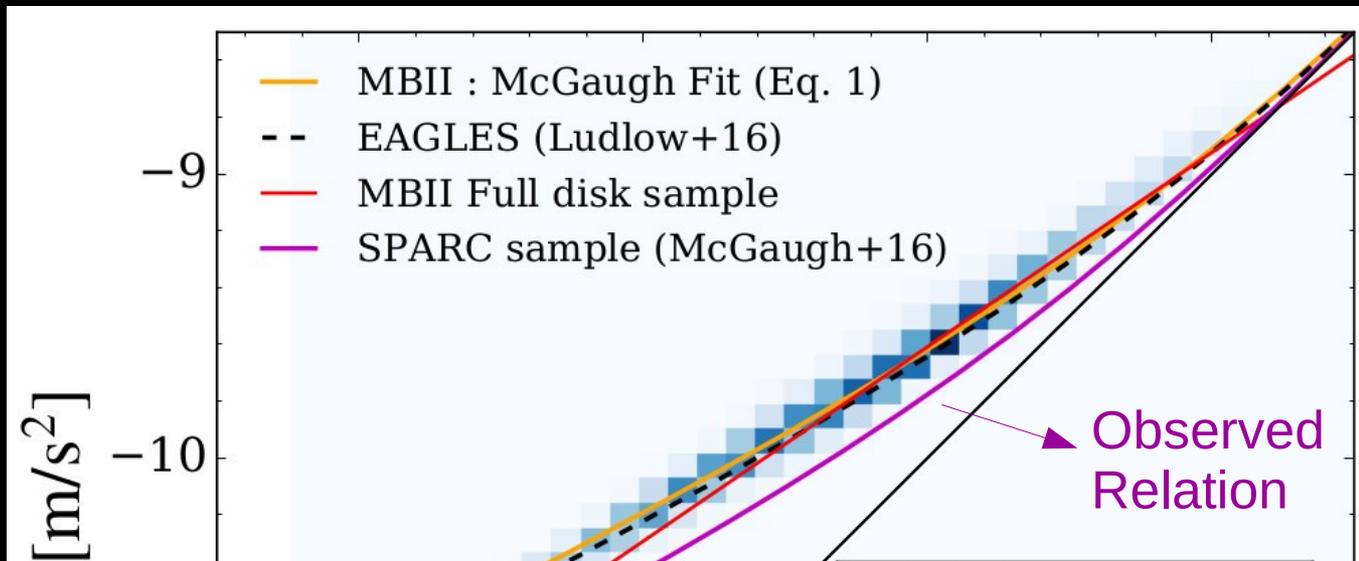
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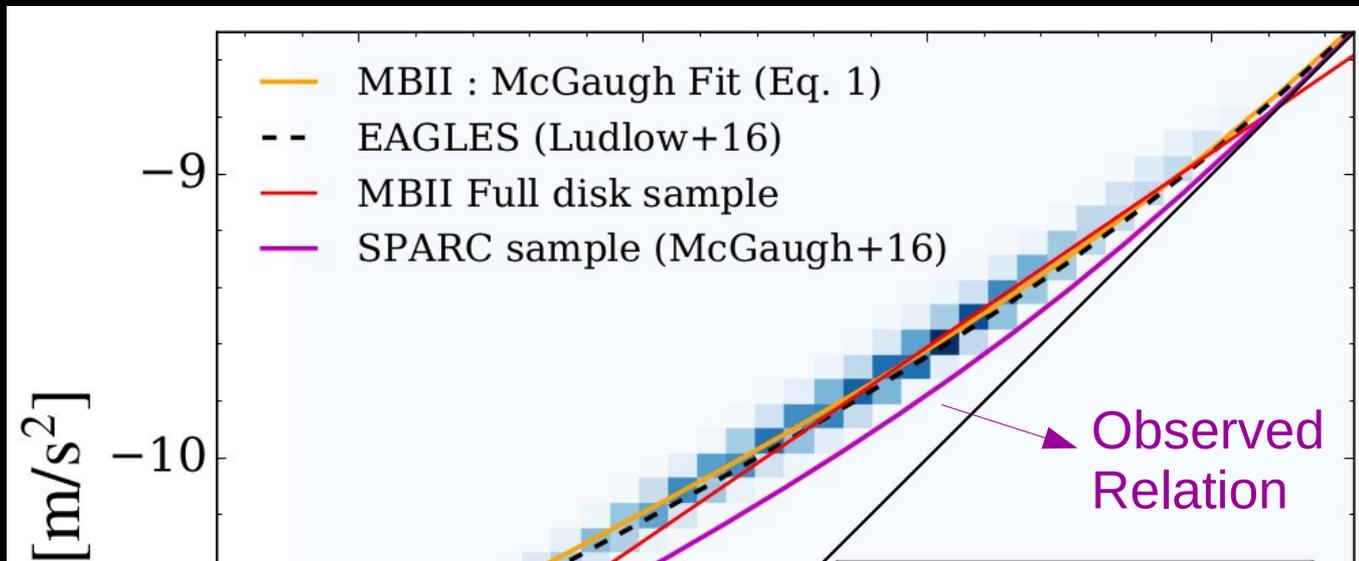
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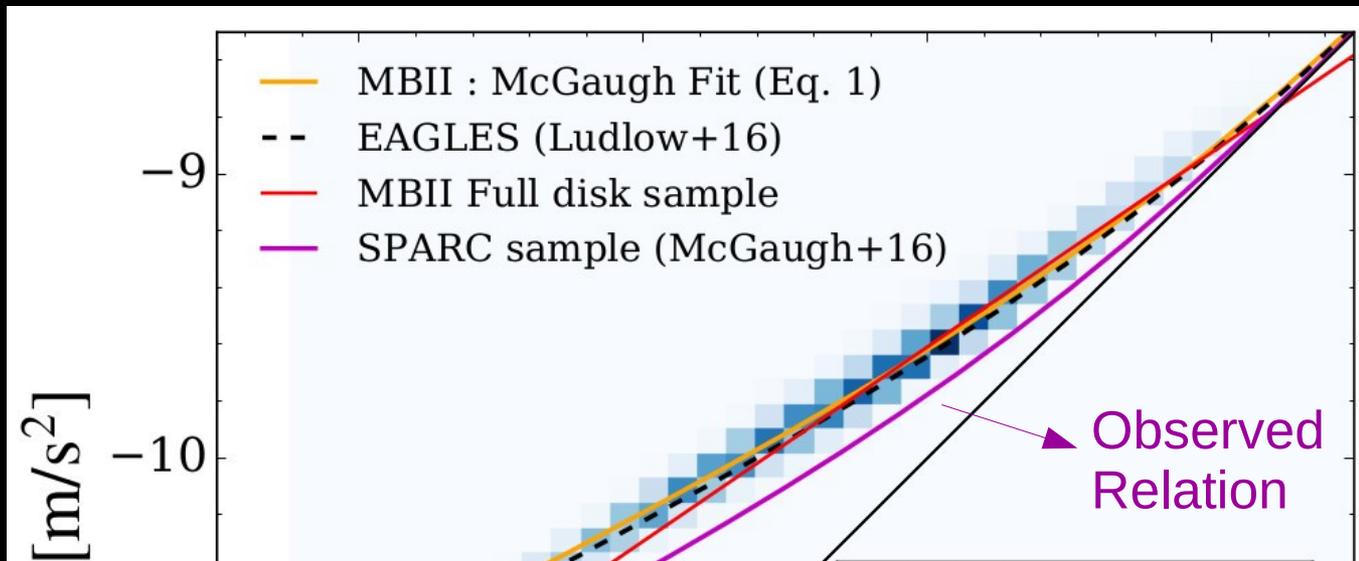
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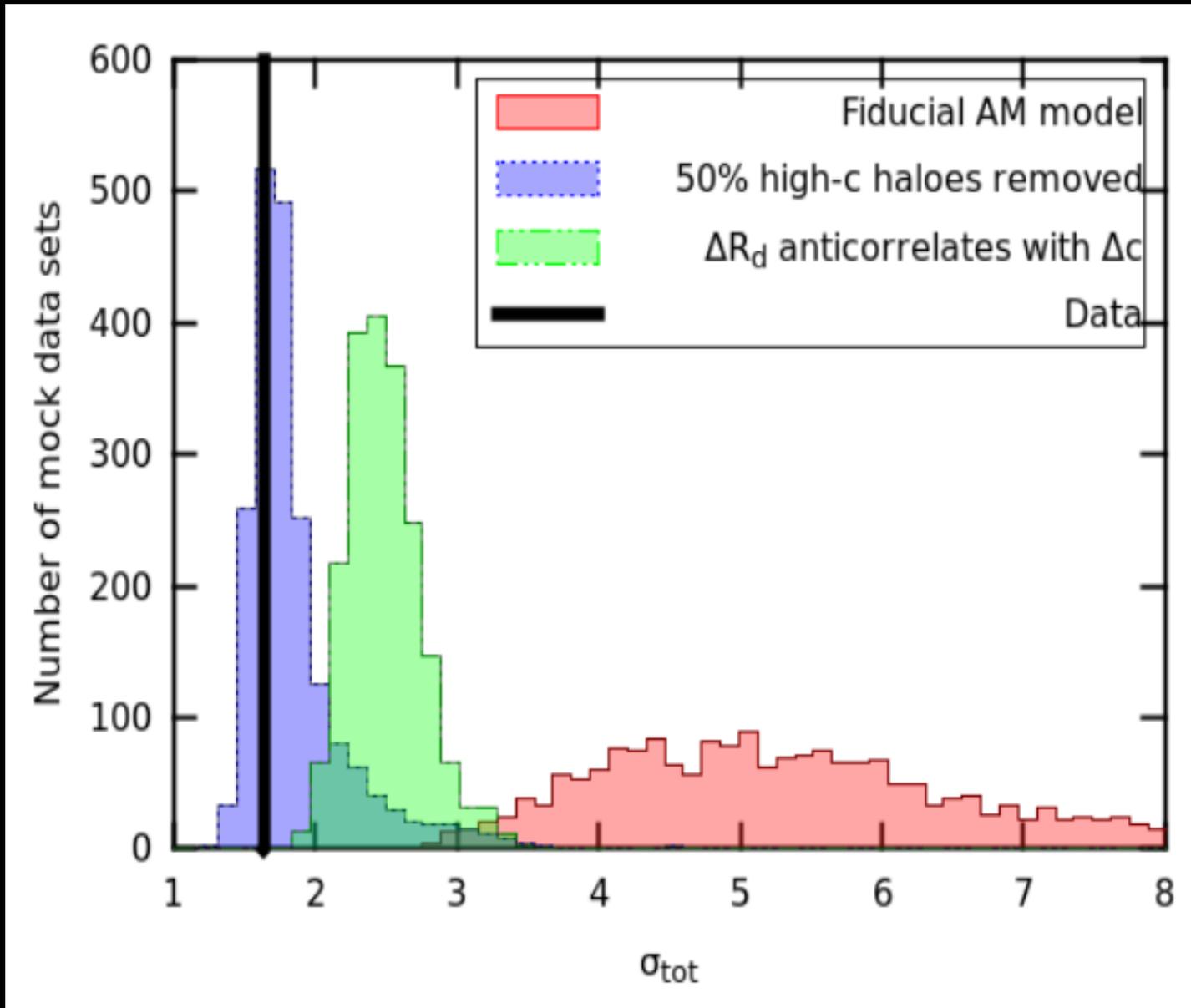
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Existence of the RAR is not a problem per se.

Real problem is the RAR tightness: all these relations have significant intrinsic scatter! Where does it go?

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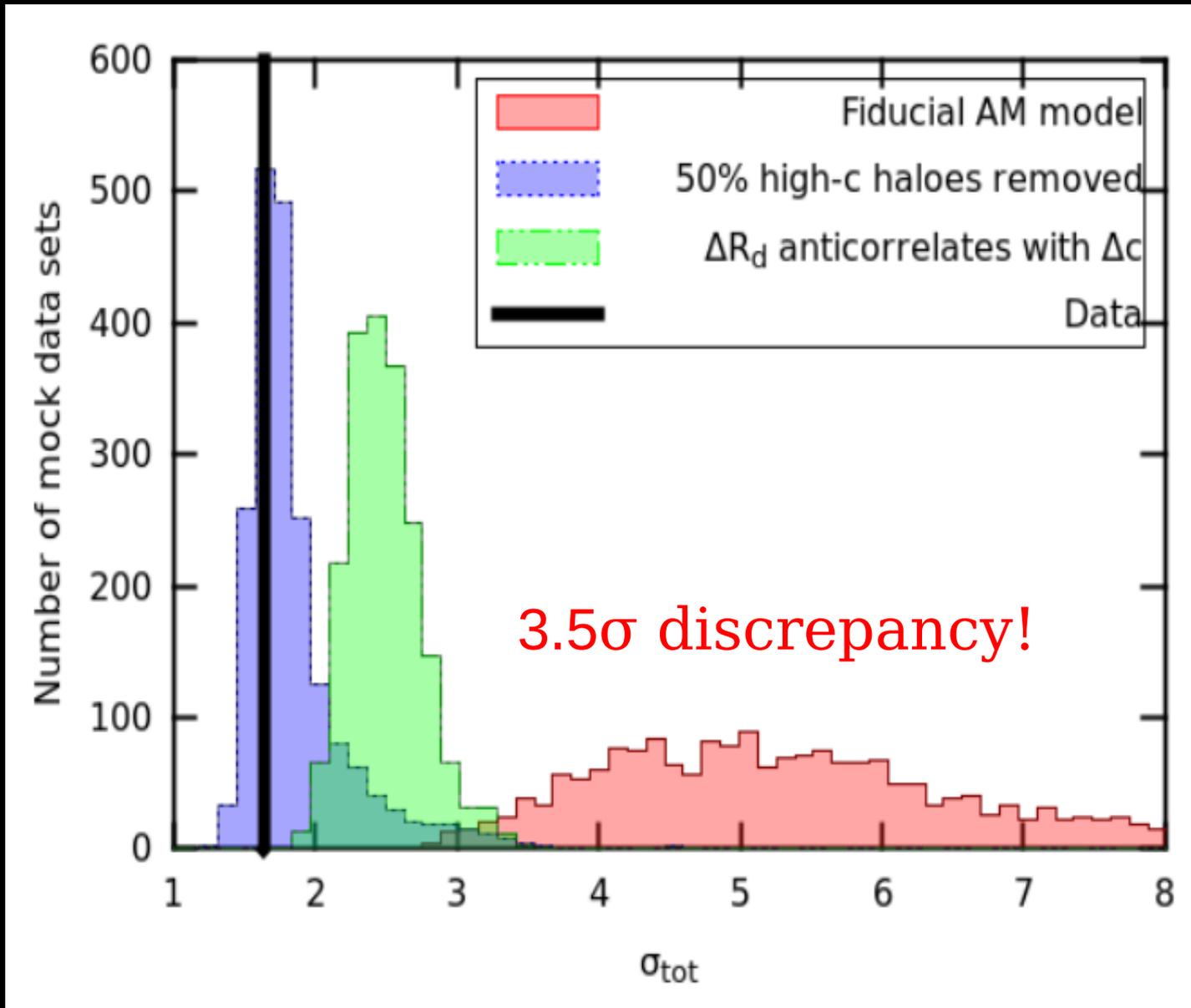
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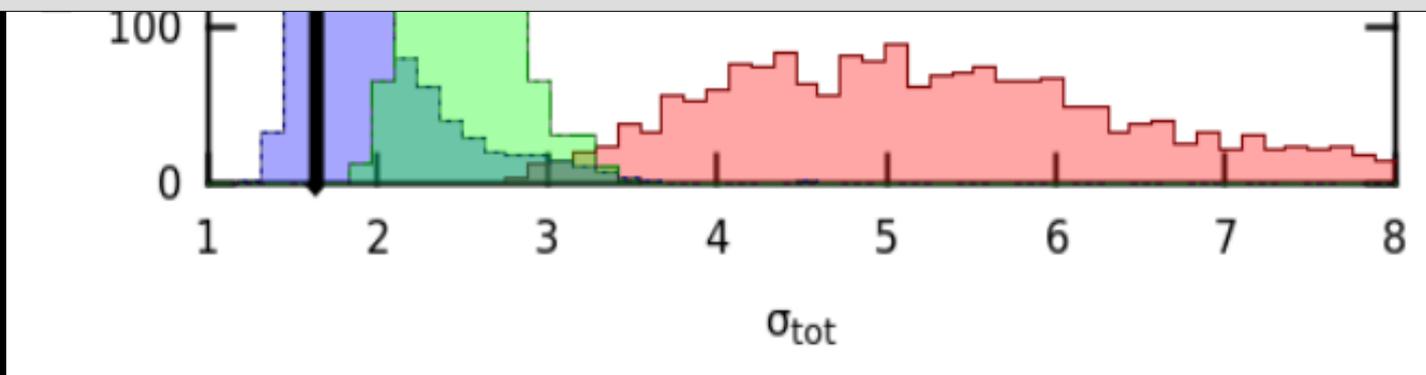


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$$\text{MEMO: } \sigma_{\text{tot}}^2 = \sigma_{\text{err}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{int}}^2$$

If the errors turn out to be under-estimated, the discrepancy will increase!



errors into account

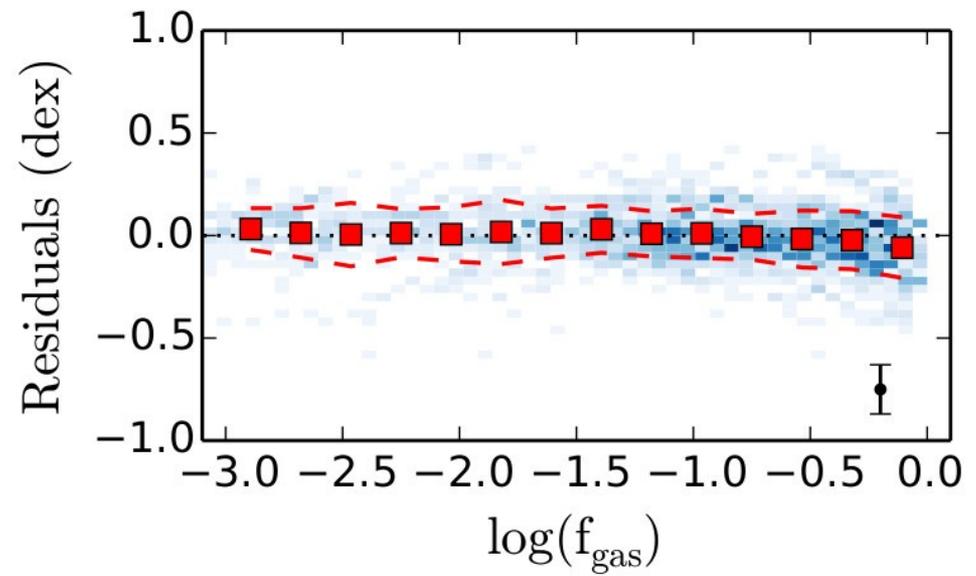
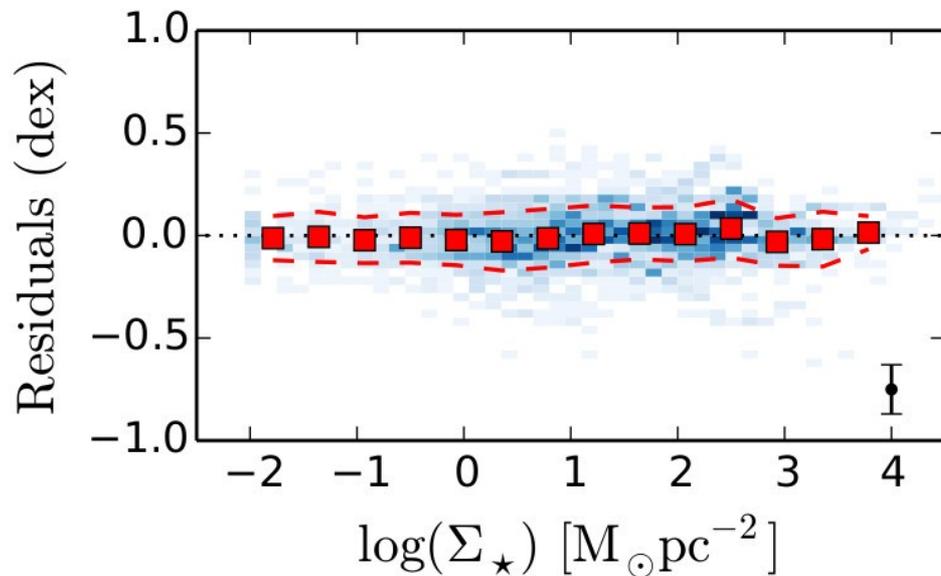
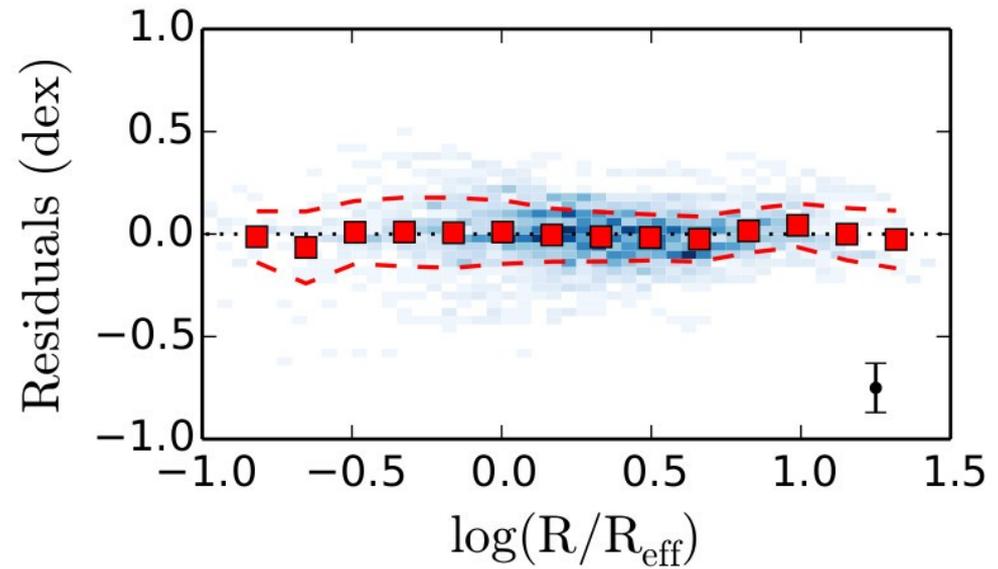
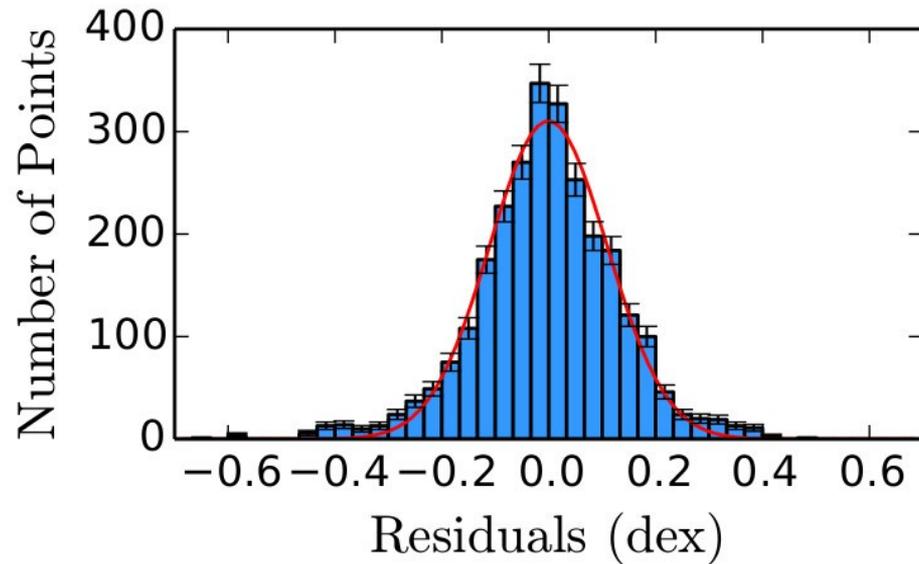
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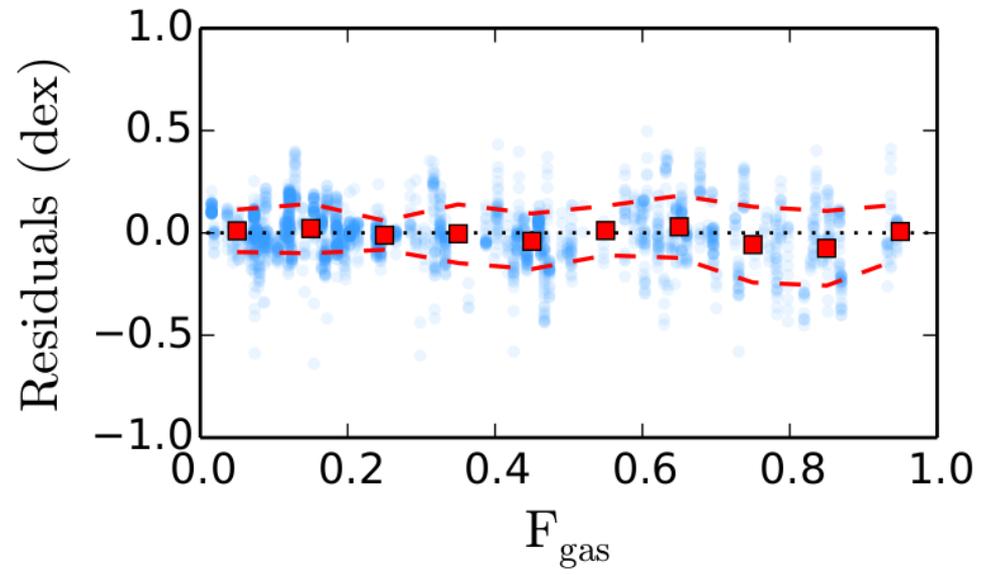
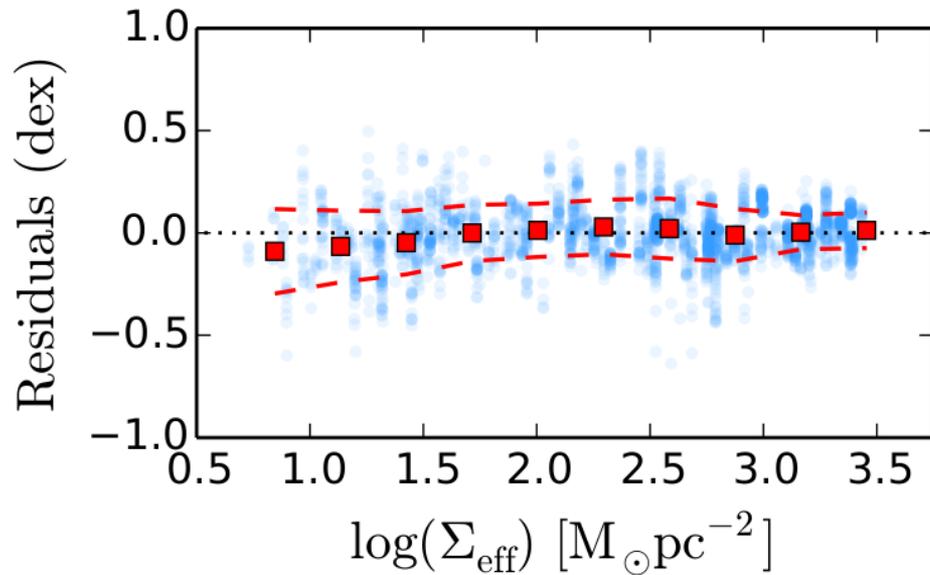
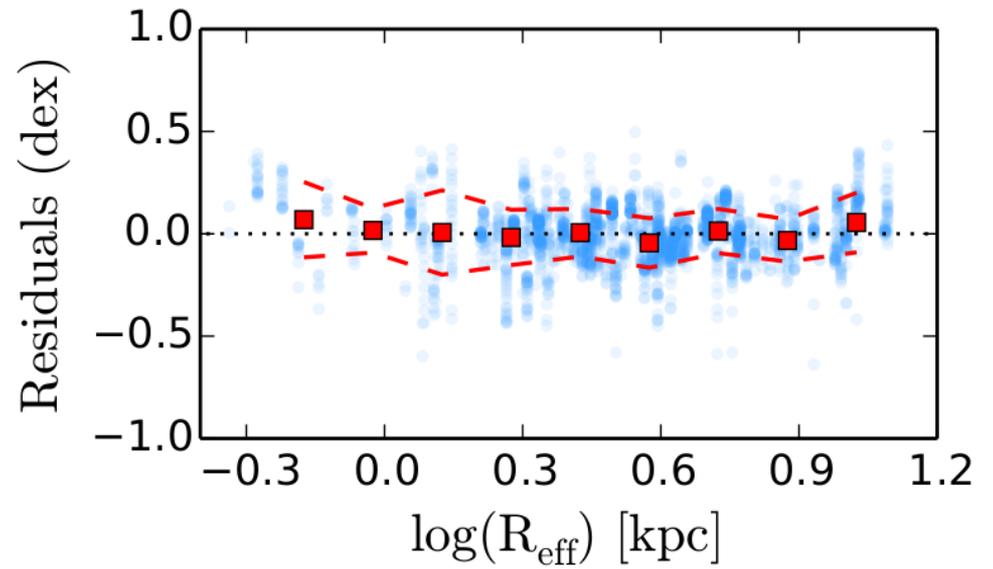
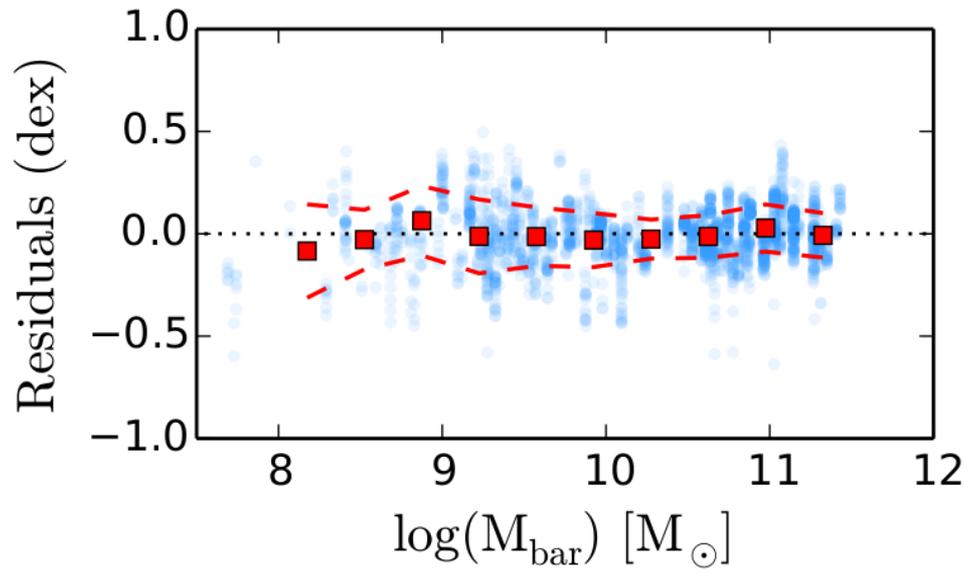
- **Local, tight coupling** between baryons and DM in galaxies over ~ 5 dex in mass.
- There is an **acceleration scale** in galaxies.
If you like **numerology**: $g_0 \sim cH_0 \sim 10^{-10} \text{ m s}^{-2}$.

Questions?

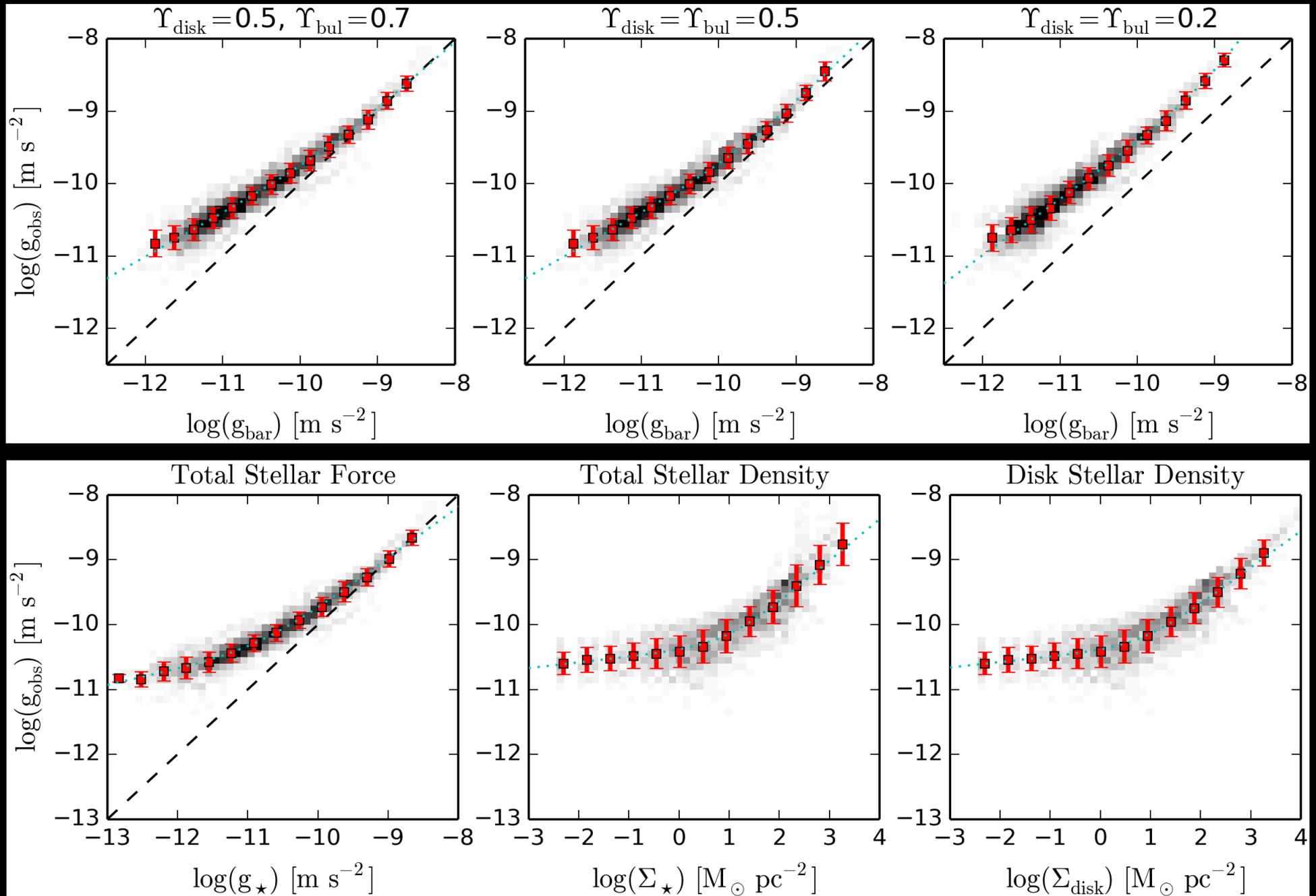
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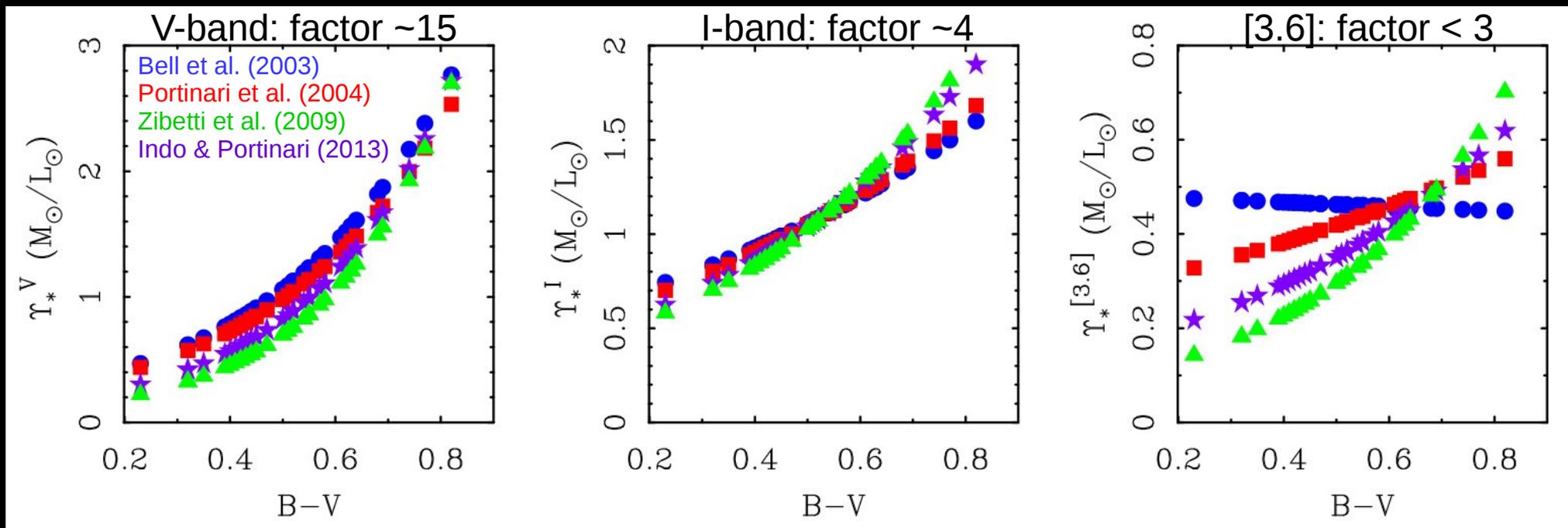
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Alternative versions of the RAR



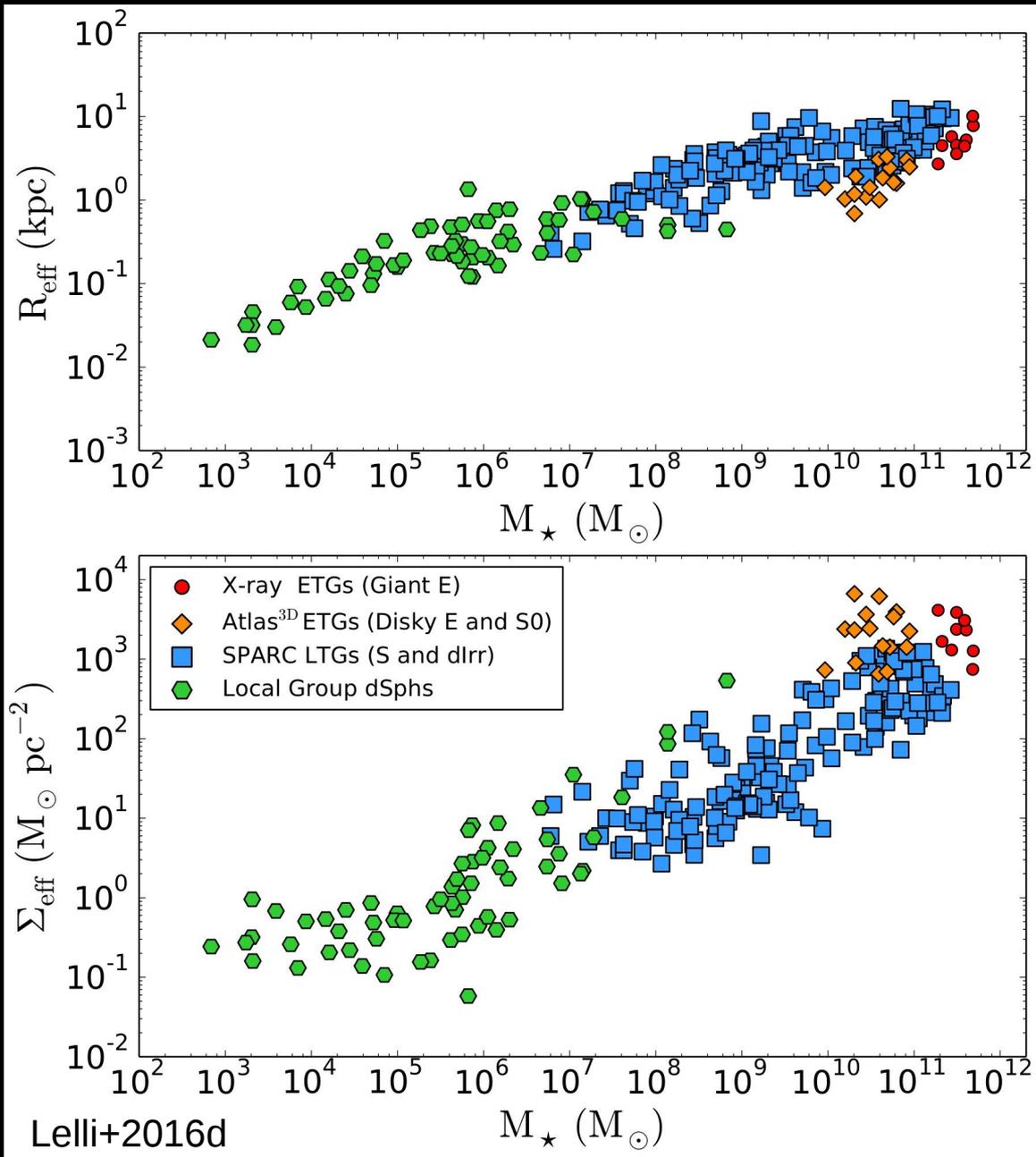
Spitzer [3.6] Photometry: Stellar Mass



Υ_* -color relations from SPS models (McGaugh & Schombert 2014)

- Υ_* shows smaller variations at [3.6] than optical bands
- Details depend on SPS model and assumed IMF
- Most recent models: $\Upsilon_{[3.6]}$ is nearly constant for LTGs (Meidt+2014; Schombert & McGaugh 2014; Norris+2016)

Dwarf Spheroidals (dSphs) in the Local Group



Satellites of MW and M31:
extremely low masses, sizes,
densities, and accelerations!

"Classical" dSphs discovered
between the '40 and the '80.

→ well-studied properties

"Ultrafaint" dSphs discovered
during the past ~10 years with
SDSS, DES and other surveys
→ properties remain uncertain

Open Problems for Λ CDM models:

1. Why is the RAR scatter so small?

Is this consistent with stochastic hierarchical merging?

2. Why is the RAR low-acceleration slope ~ 0.5 ?

$$g_{\text{obs}} = \sqrt{(g_0 g_{\text{bar}})} \rightarrow V_{\text{flat}}^4 = M_{\text{bar}} / (g_0 G) \rightarrow \text{Observed BTFR}$$

Whatever sets the RAR should also set the BTFR.

3. Why an acceleration scale? What sets its value?

Different roles of g_0 : baryon-to-DM transition (RAR)

& global baryon-to-DM content (BTFR)!