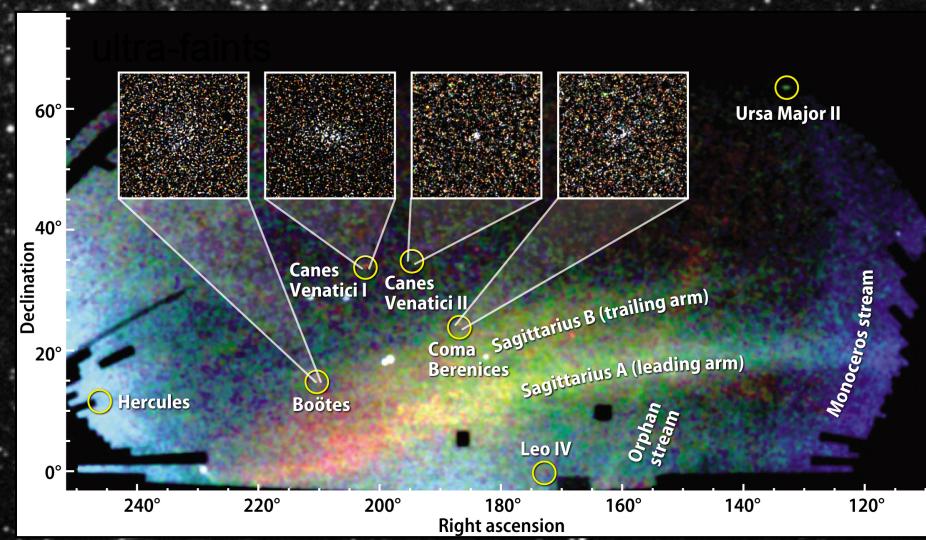
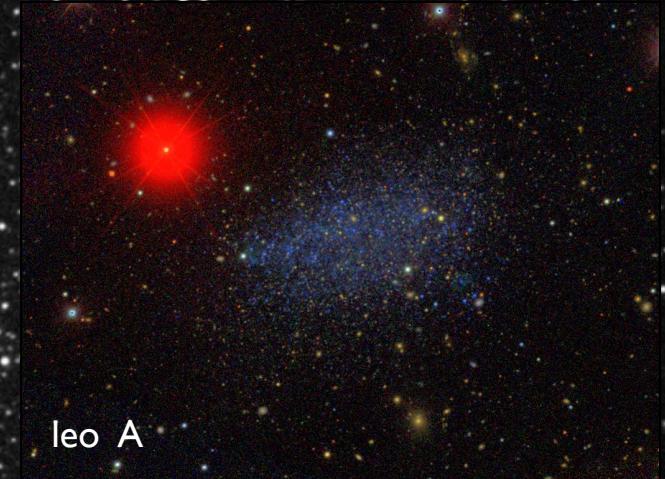
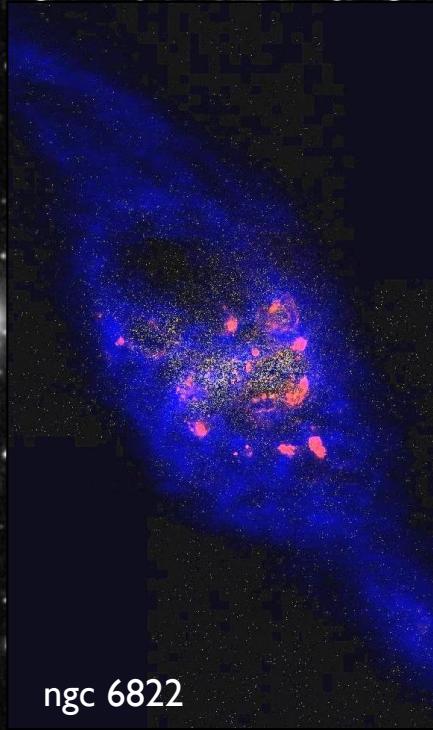
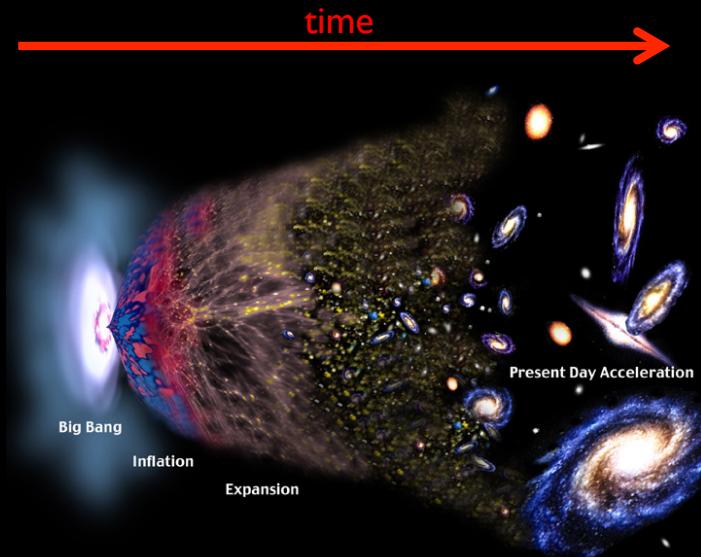


Chemical Evolution of the Milky Way and Local Group Galaxies



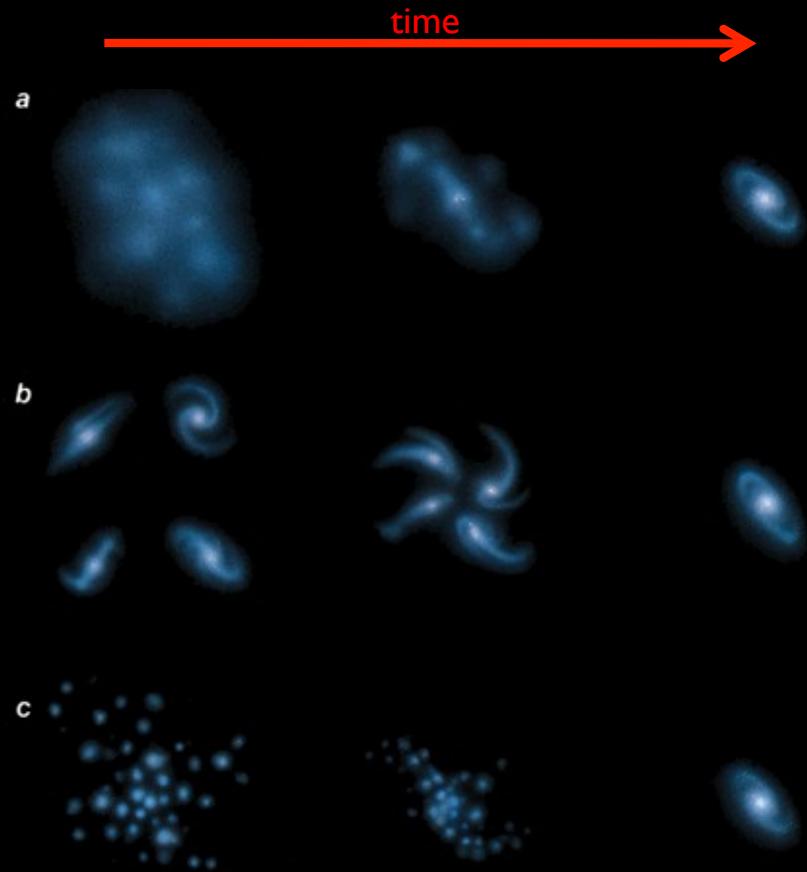
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University of Groningen
the Netherlands

The History of the Universe

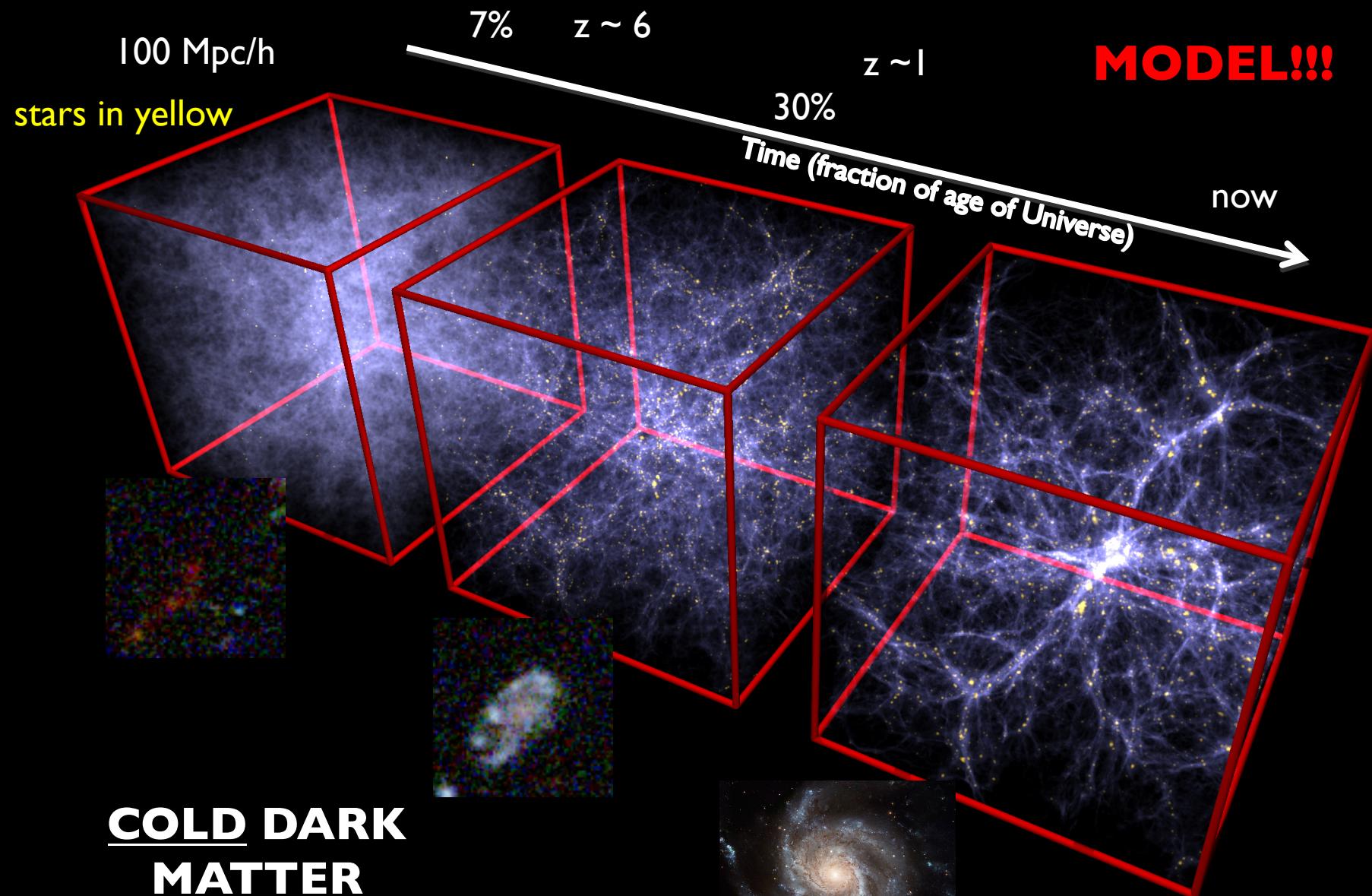


In the beginning there was...
Hydrogen, Helium and a little
bit of Lithium plus a lot of
other strange things... like
dark matter... the Universe
was very smooth & uniform

... we see today a complex
and dynamic universe full of
galaxies and stars – how did
this happen?



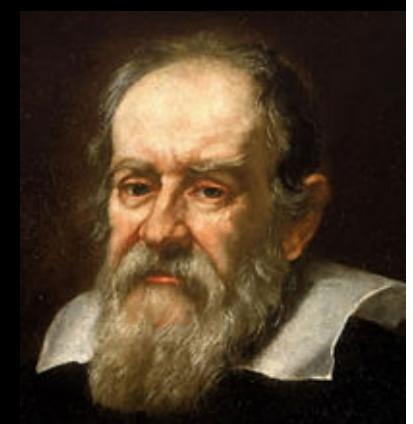
Simulating the Formation of Galaxies



The Nearest Galaxy...

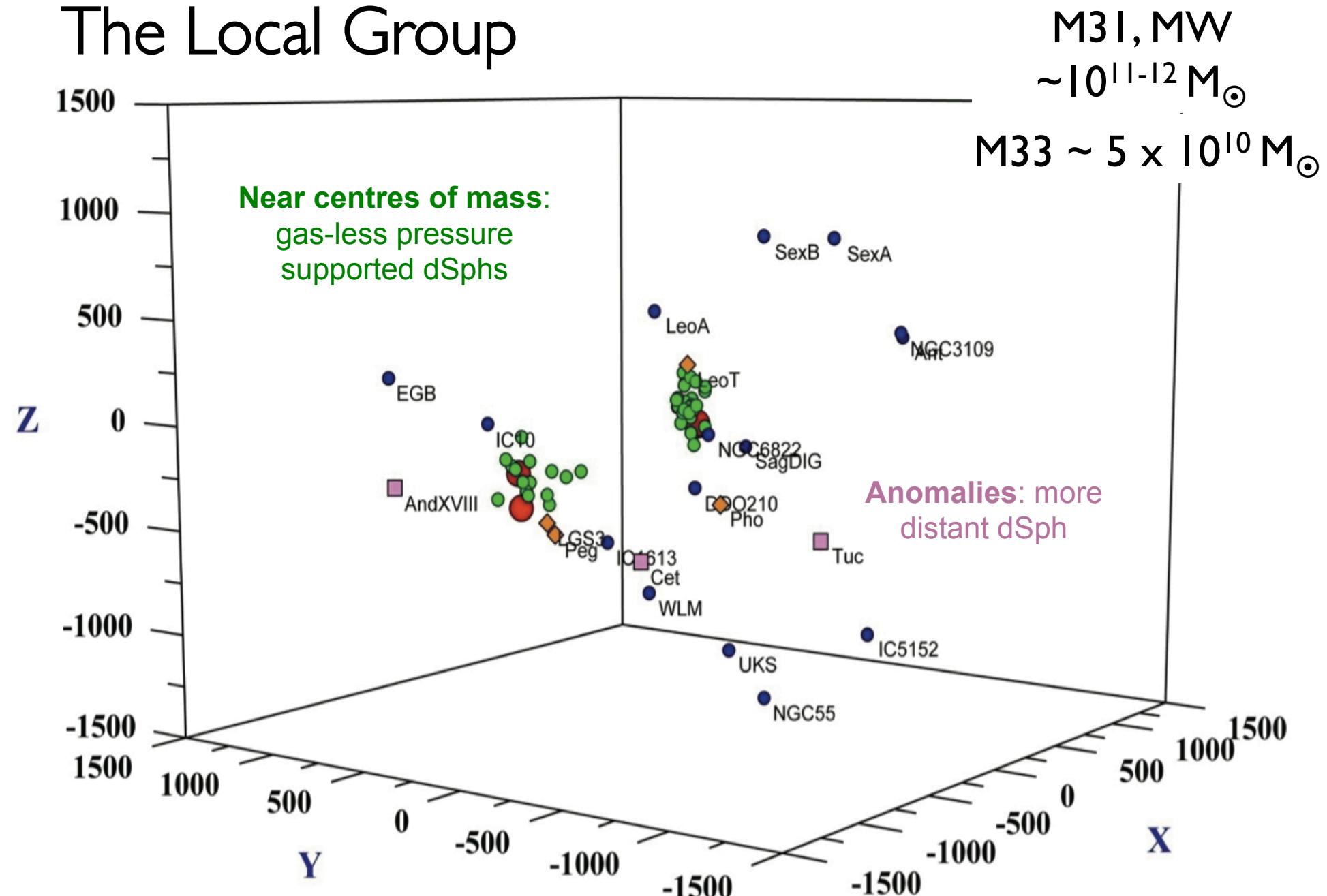


...congeries
stellarum...



Galileo Galilei (1609)

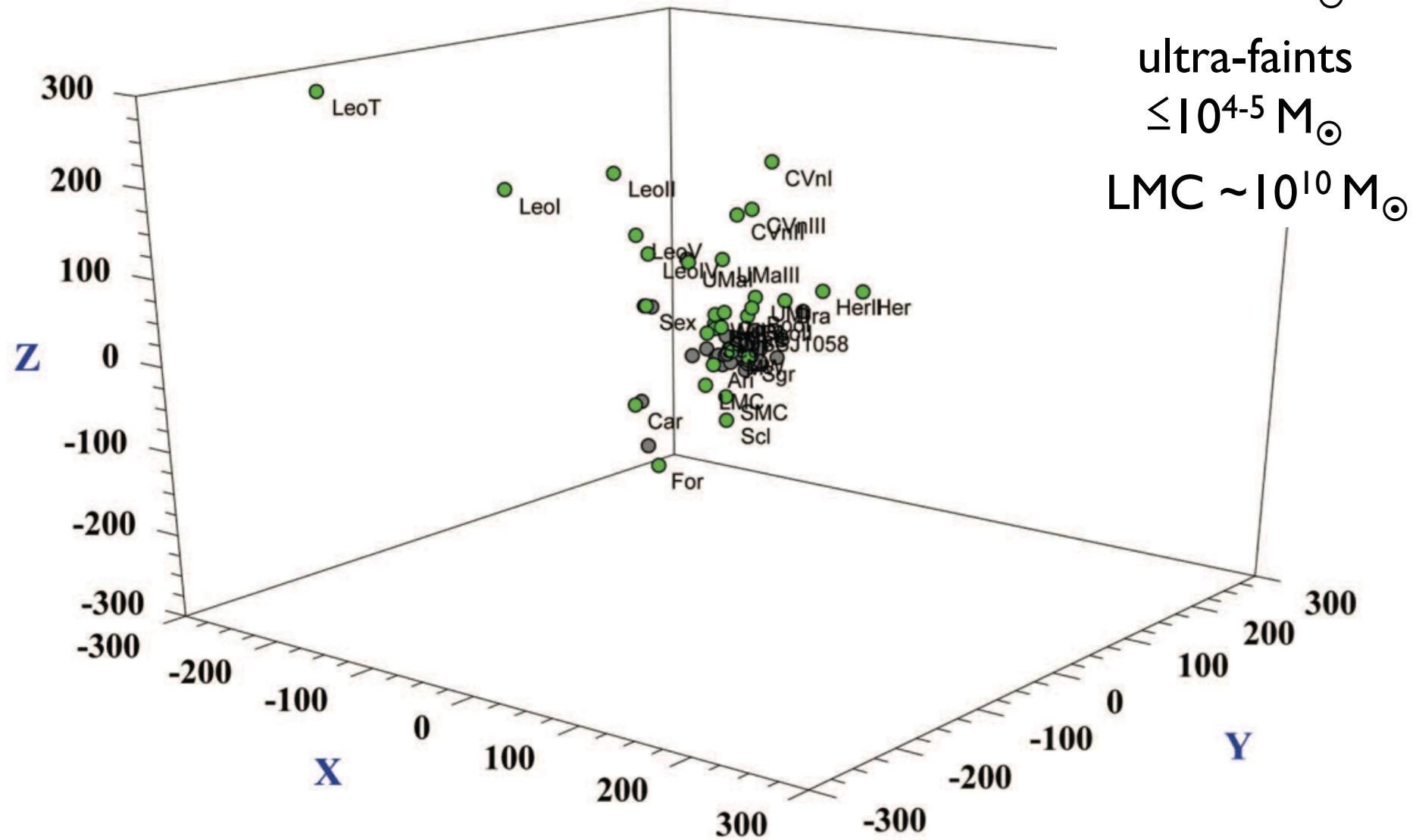
The Local Group



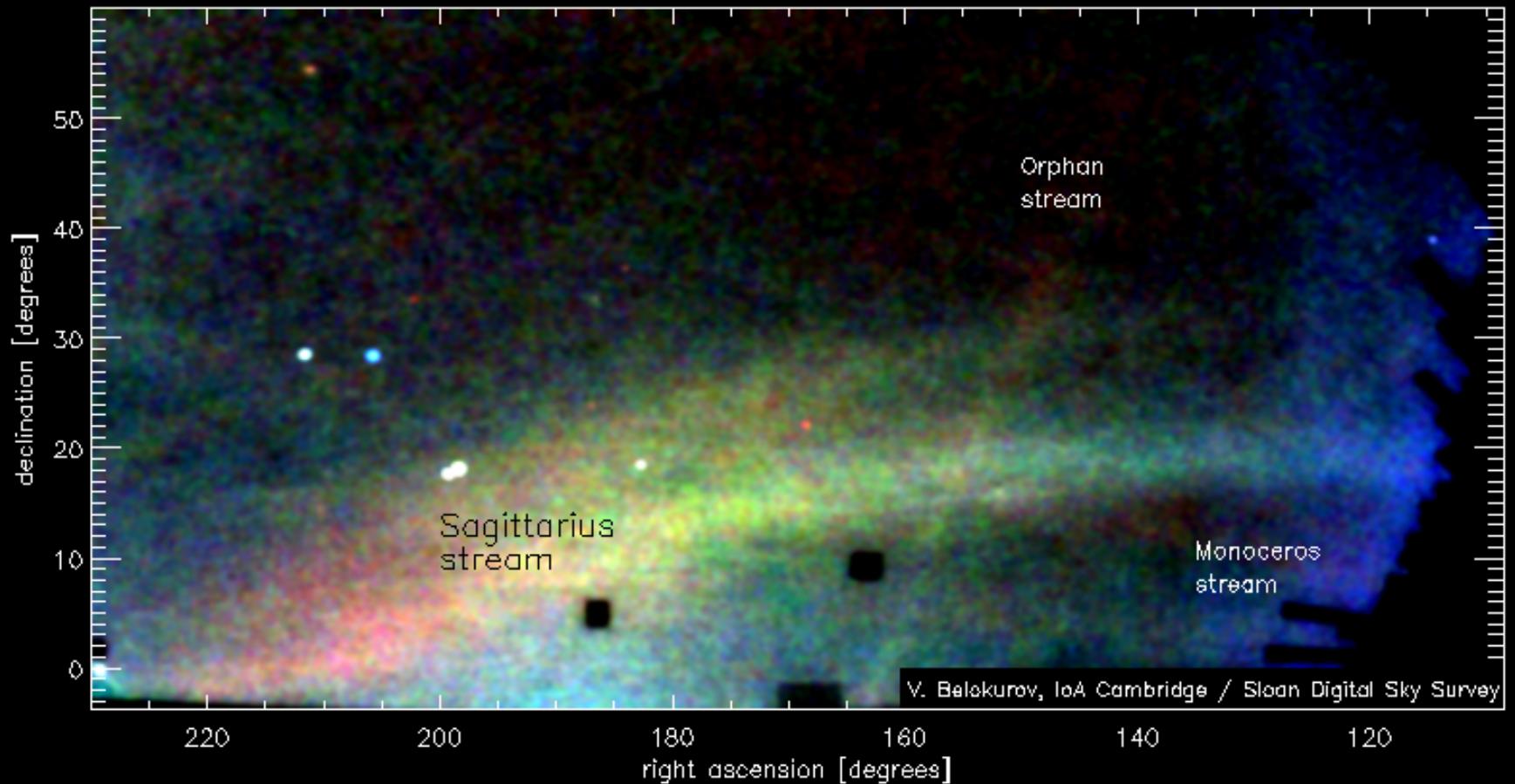
Outer regions: dominated by gas rich
quiescently evolving dwarf irregulars

Mateo 2008, Garching workshop

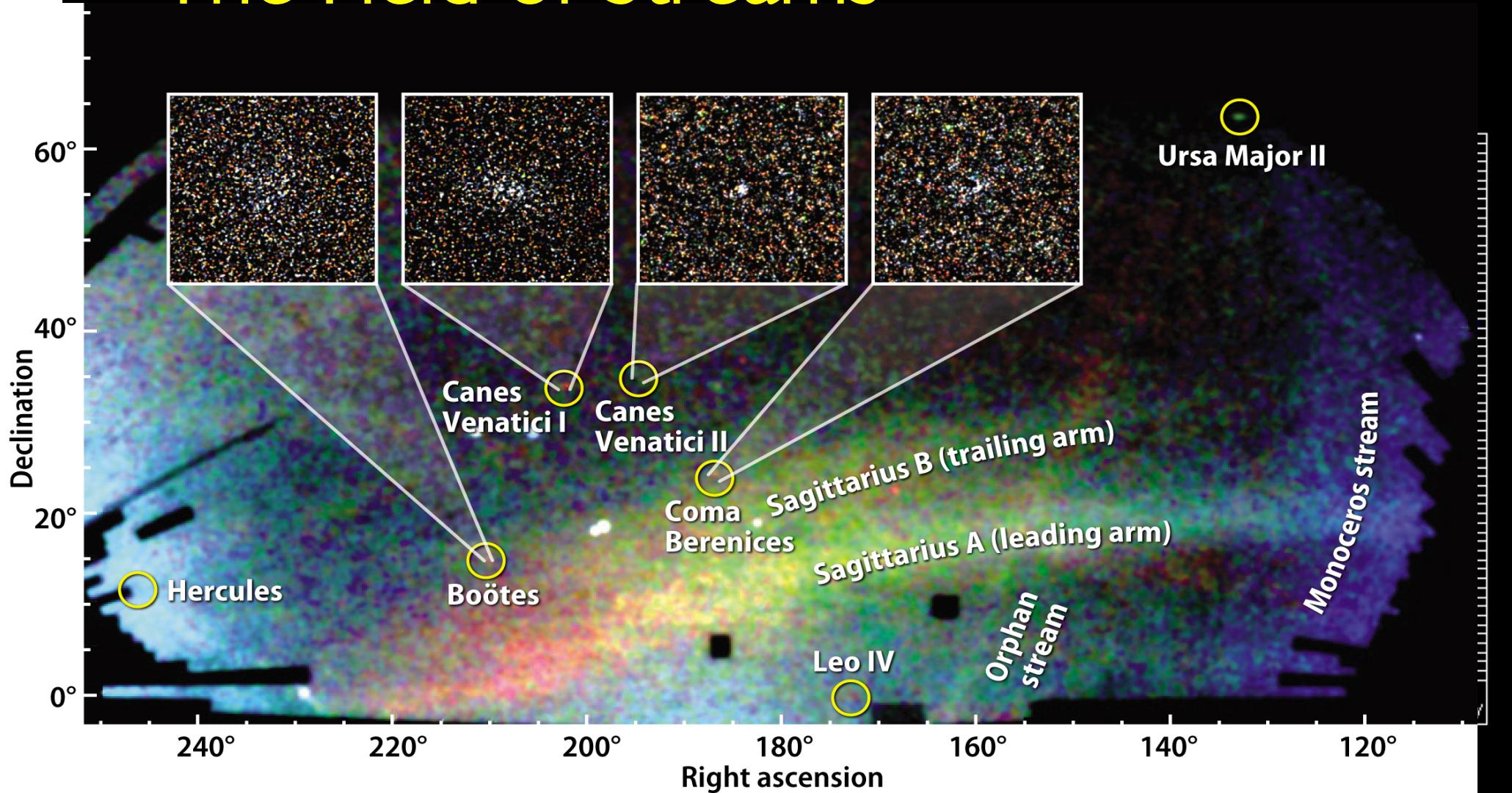
Milky Way - Halo



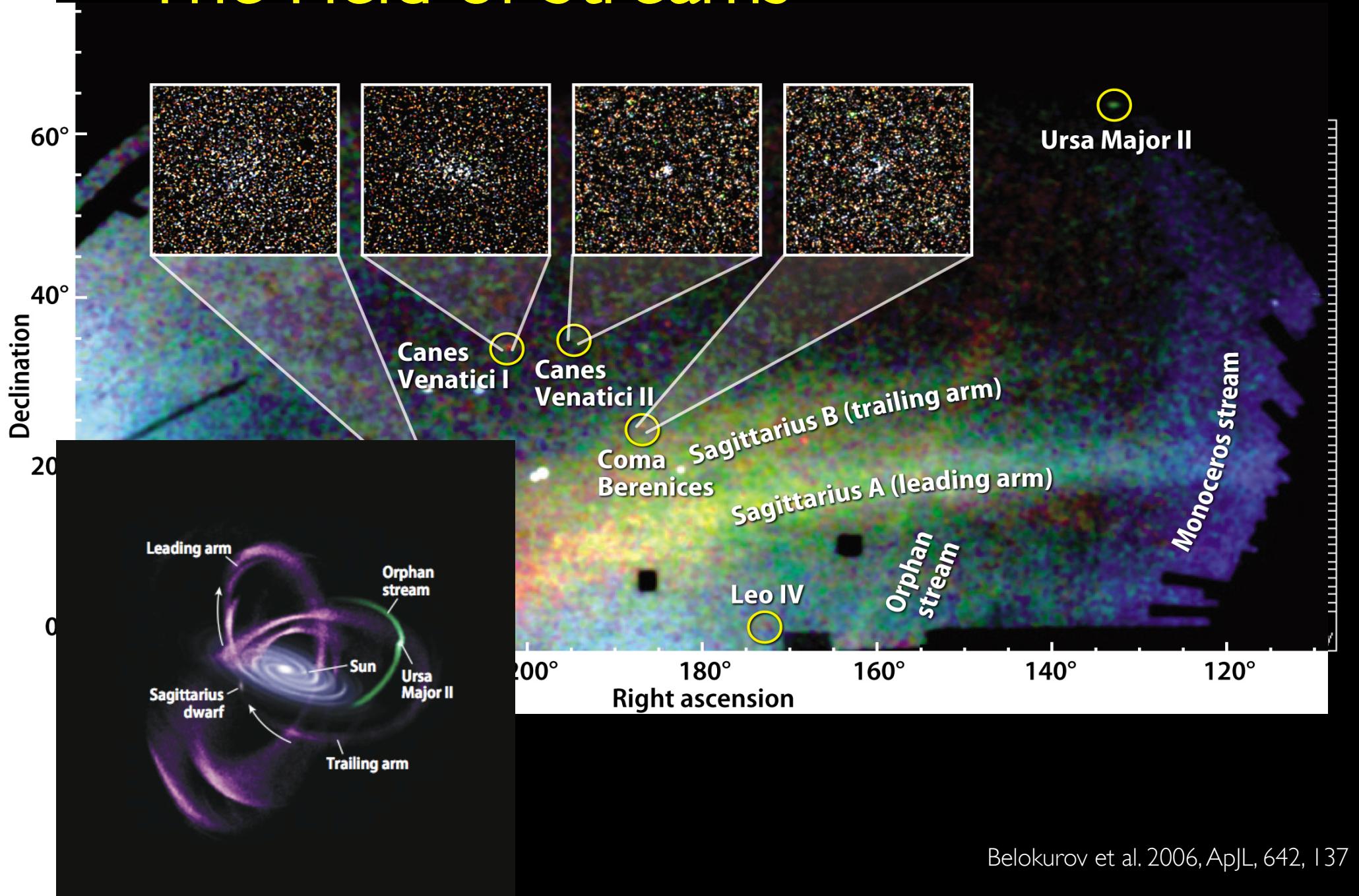
The Field of Streams



The Field of Streams

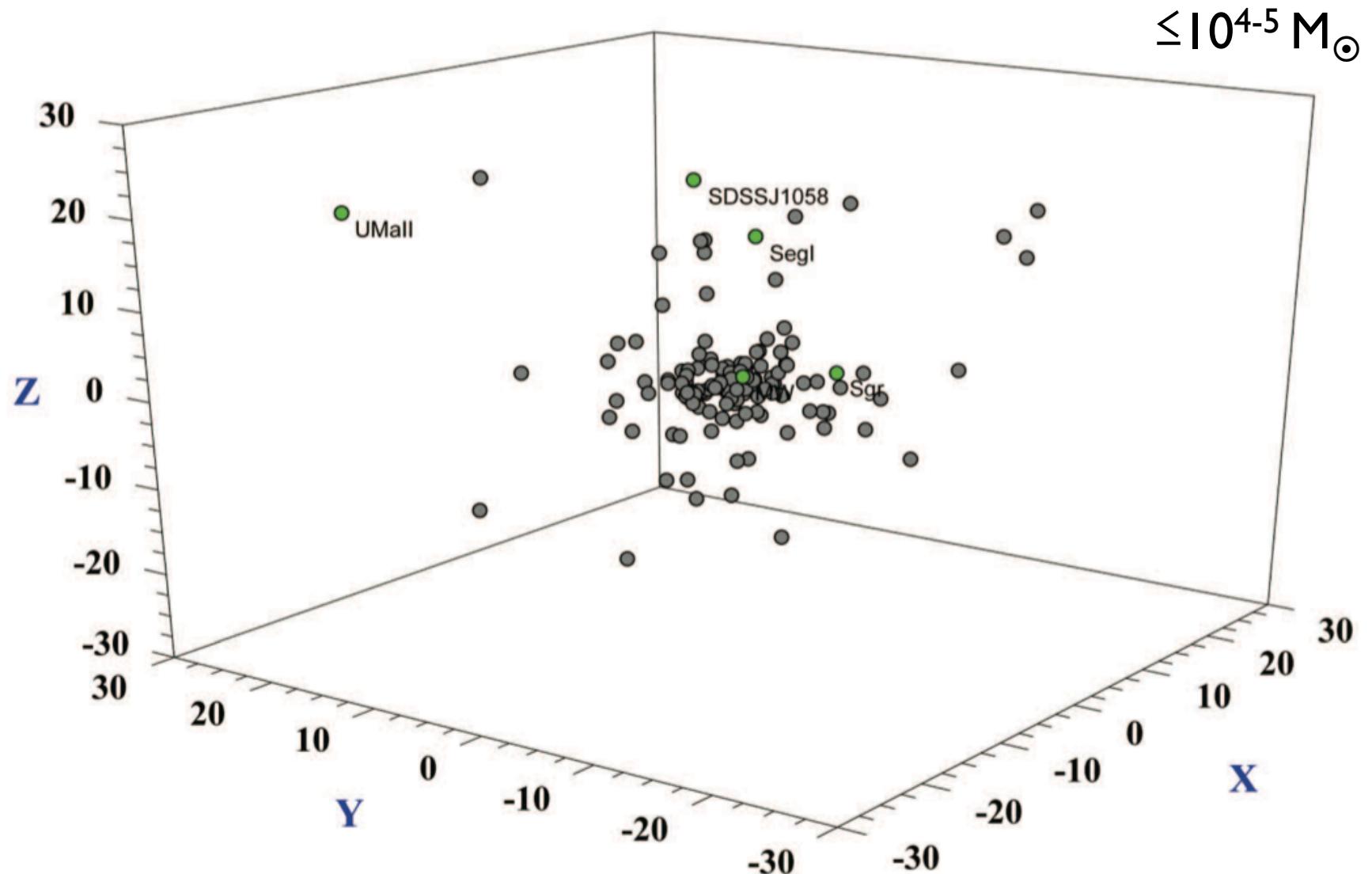


The Field of Streams



Globular Clusters

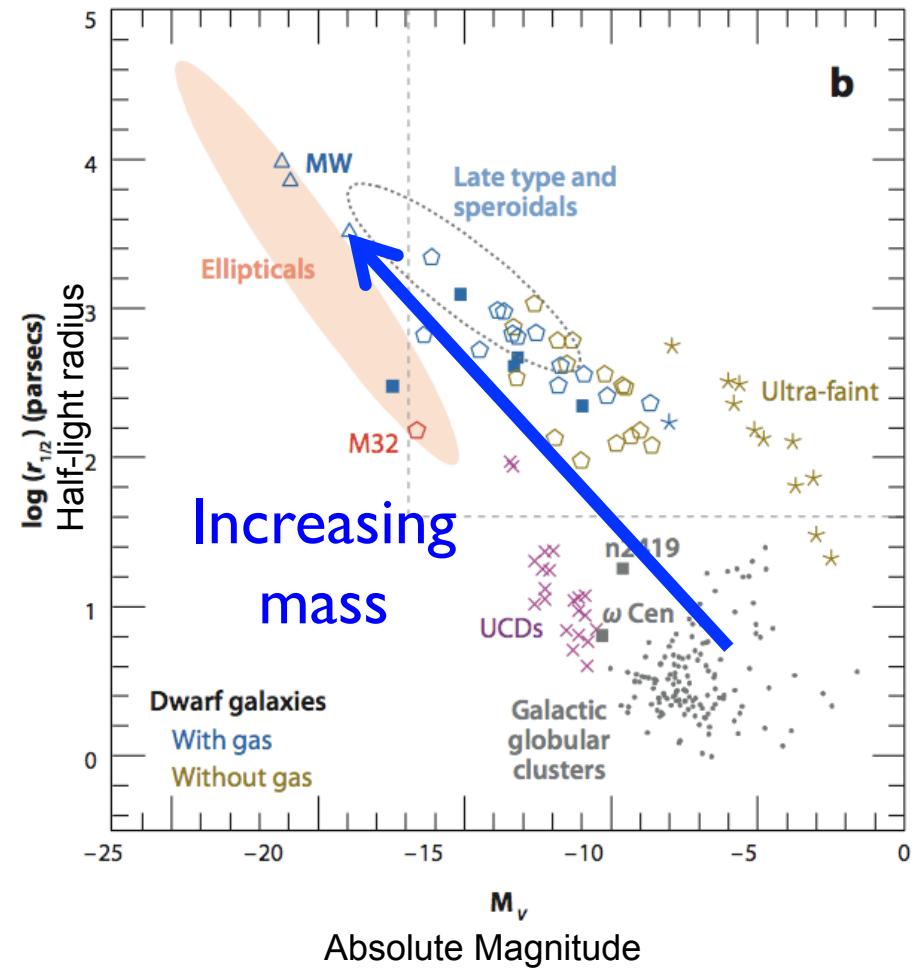
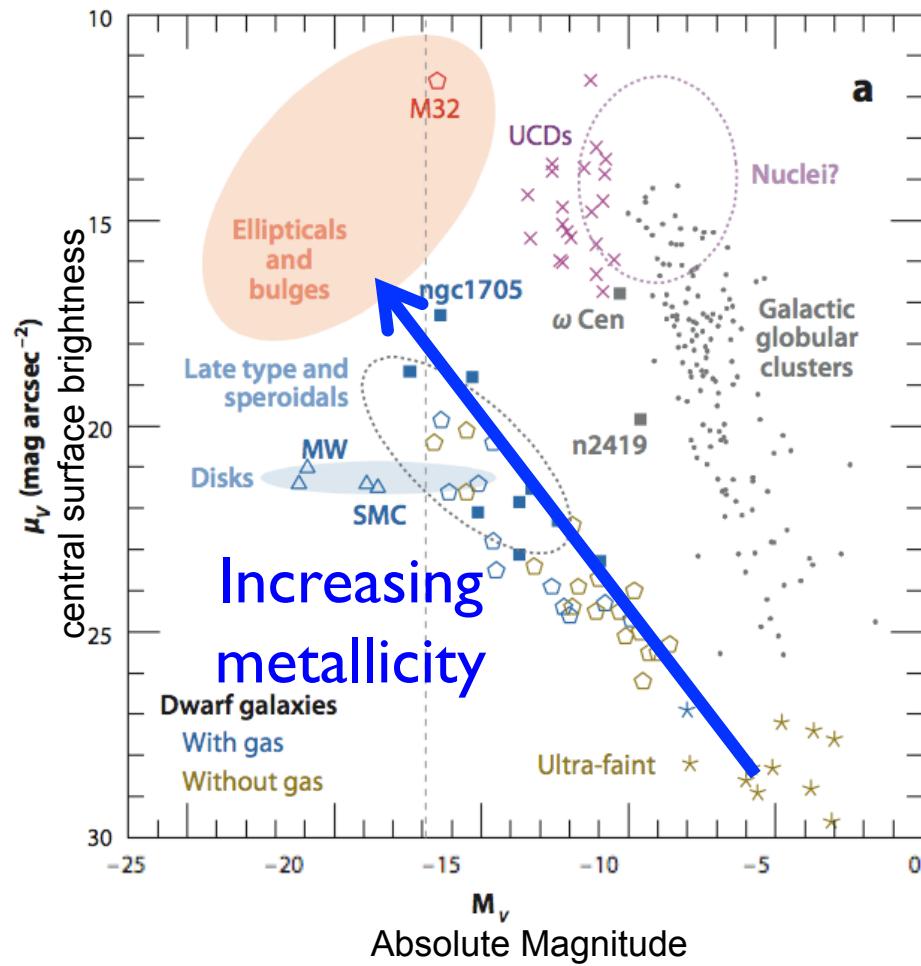
(and a few ultra-faints)



~140 globular clusters, 65% <8kpc from centre

Mateo 2008, Garching workshop

Global Properties of Galaxies



based on Kormendy 1985; Binggeli 1994

see also Belokurov et al. 2007

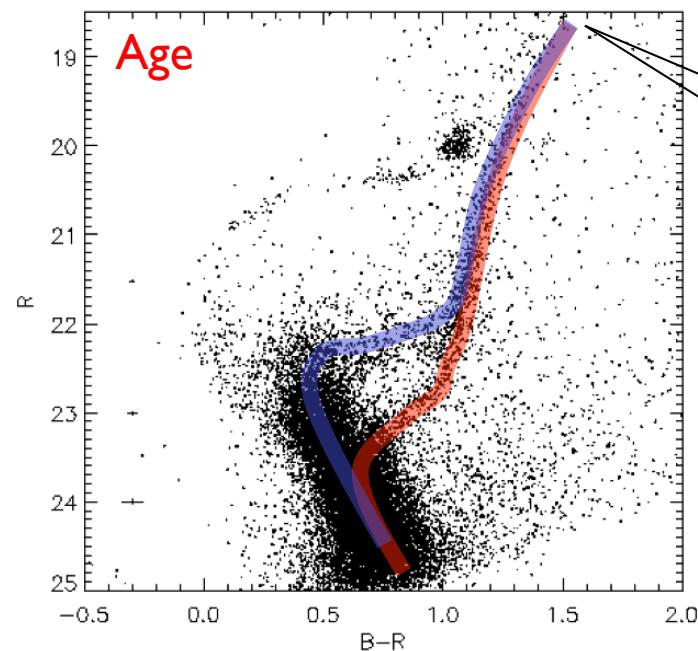
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Resolved Stars

Spectroscopy

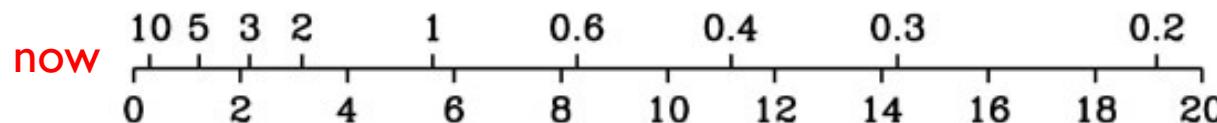
Tolstoy E.

Imaging



Tolstoy E.

Age of Universe (Billions of Years)



direct observations
of galaxies

Redshift

Low mass stars $< 1 M_{\odot}$

Bang

"pristine"
atmosphere

nuclear
burning

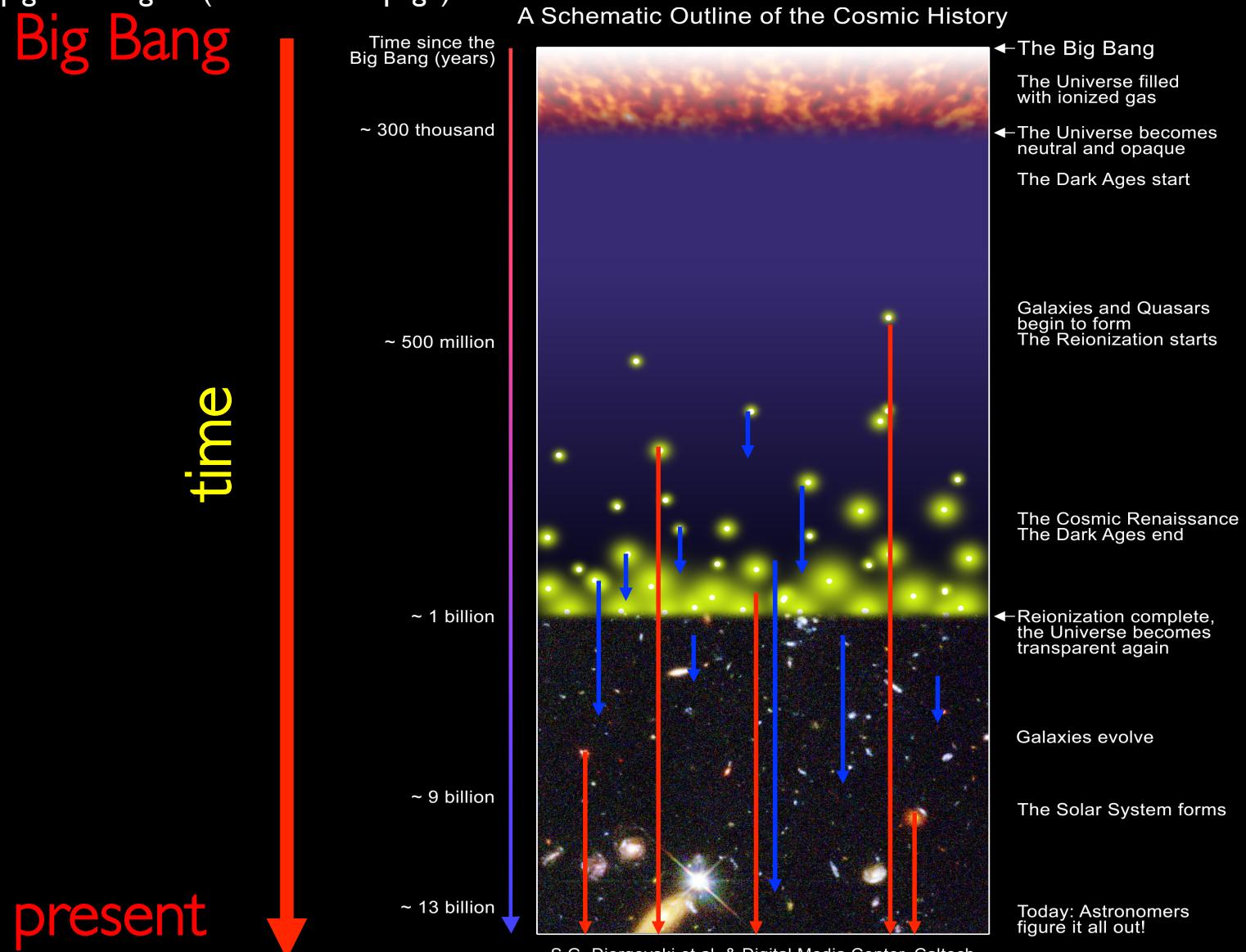
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Metallicity

Cosmic History

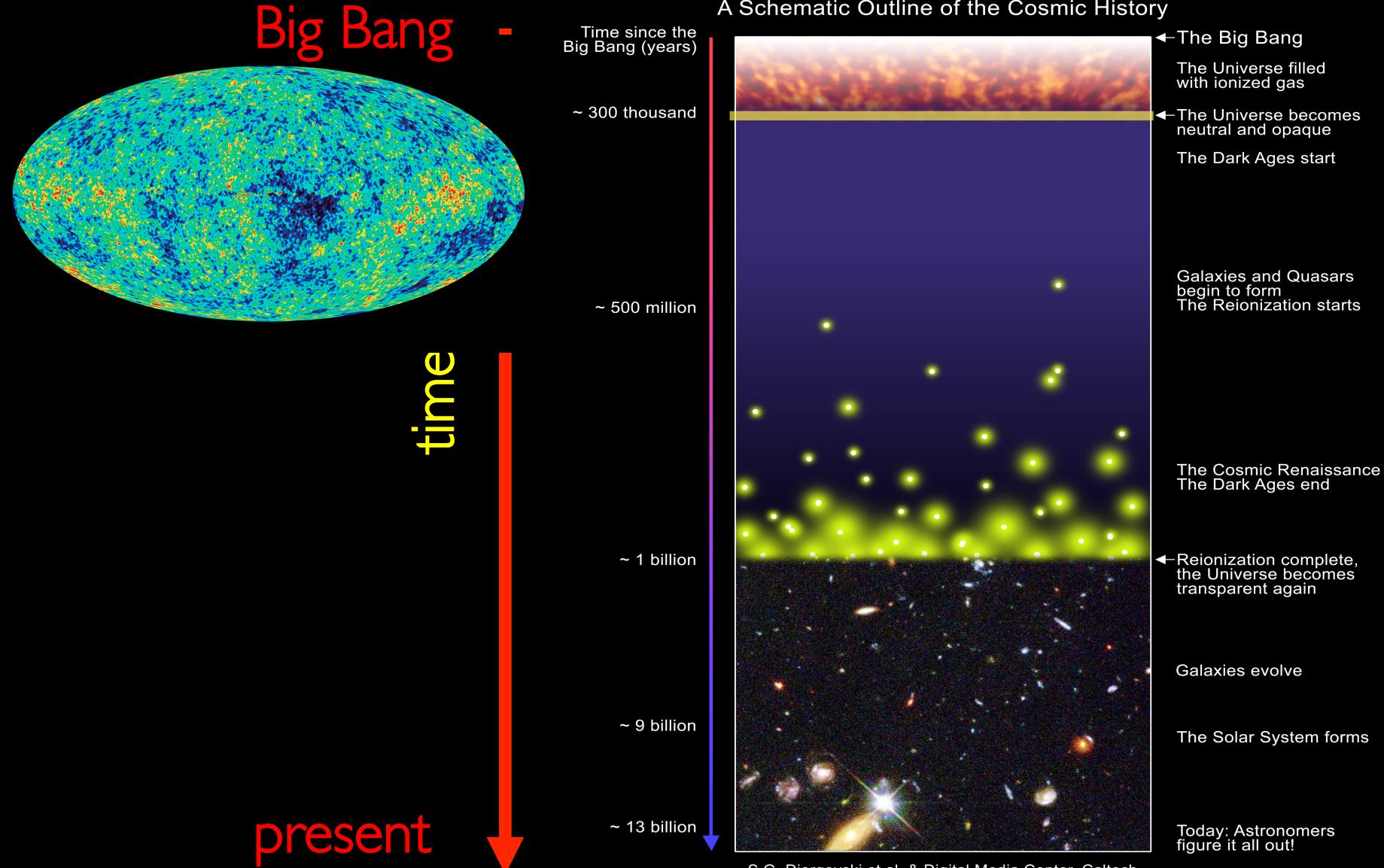
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Big Bang



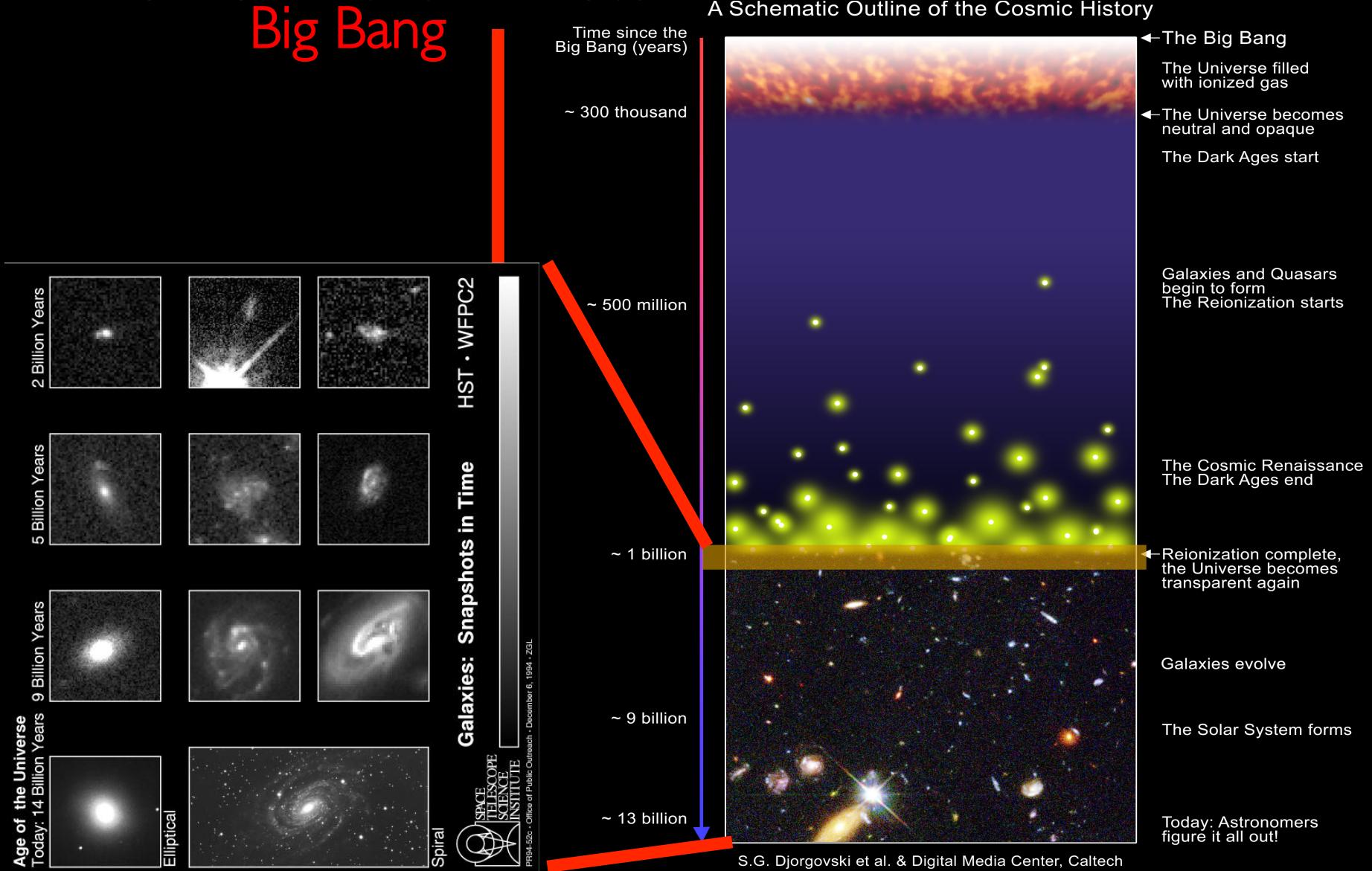
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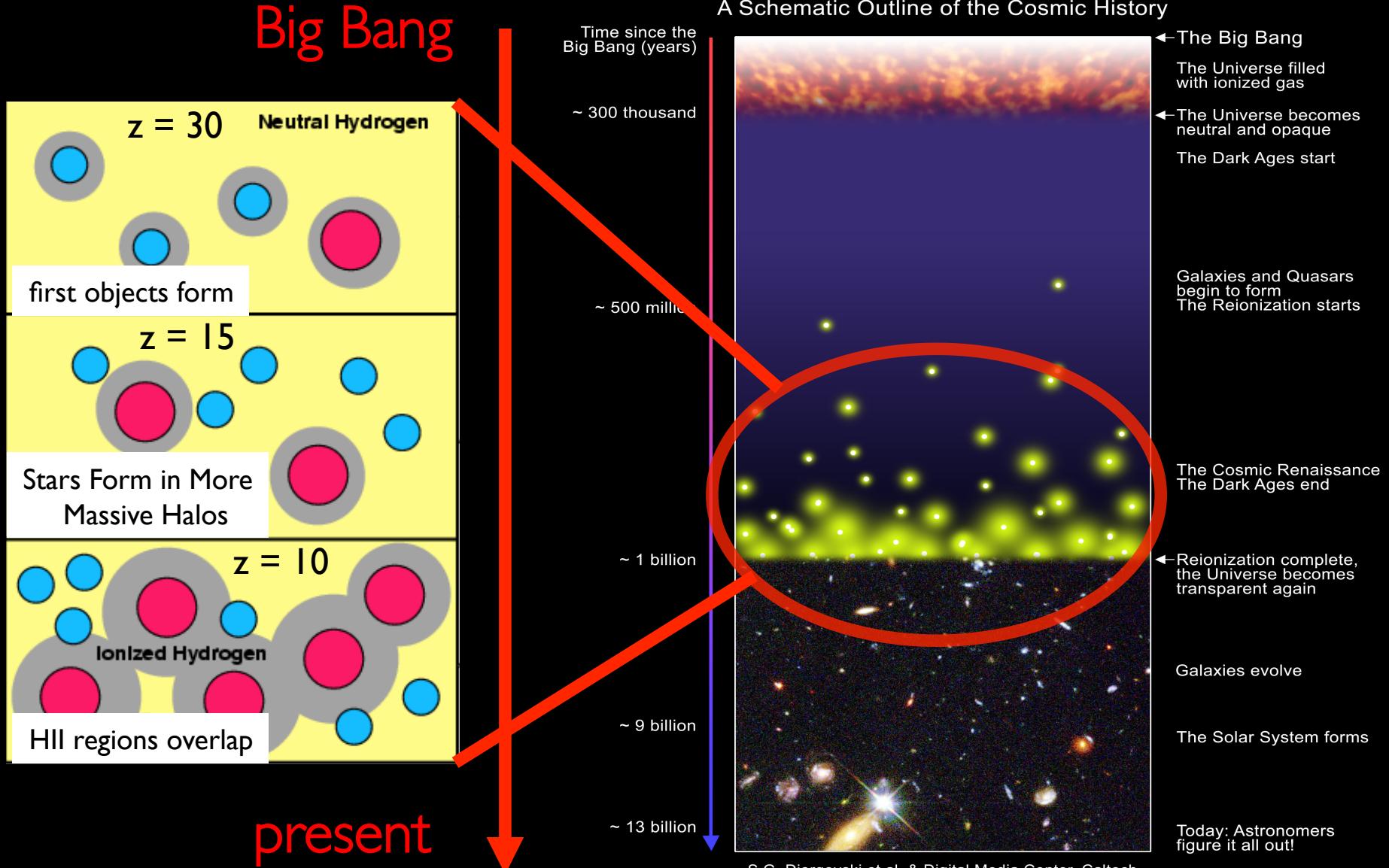
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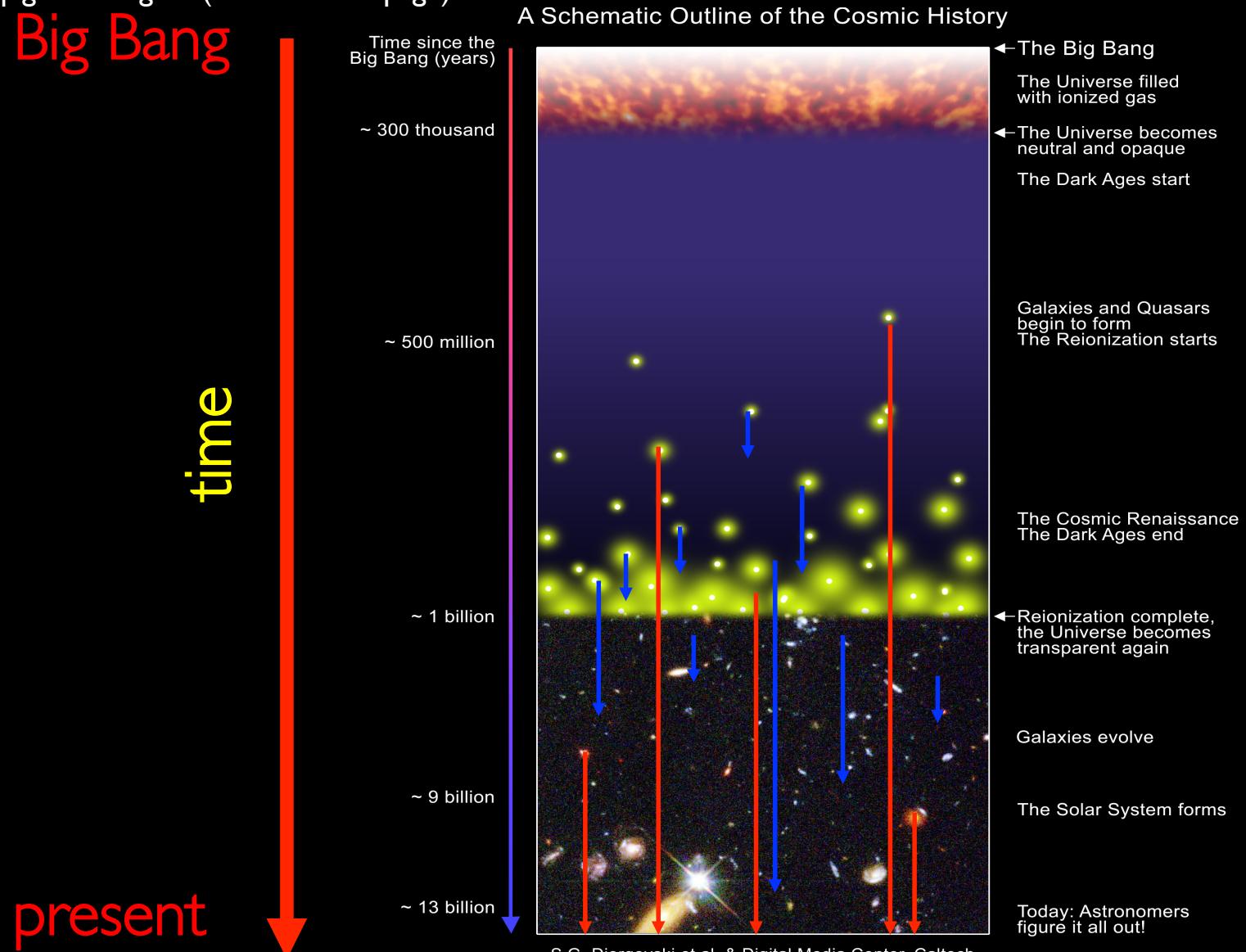
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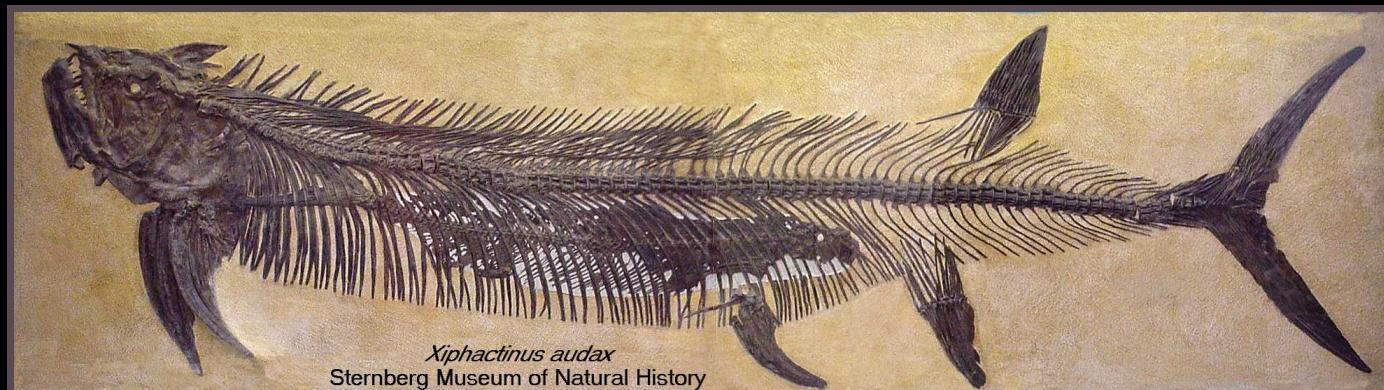


Galactic Archaeology...



We want to study how the properties of the universe change – but it is difficult to do it directly – so we can try indirectly:

Stars form from gas through time – they live a long time – and if we can measure their properties at different ages we learn about galaxy formation & evolution

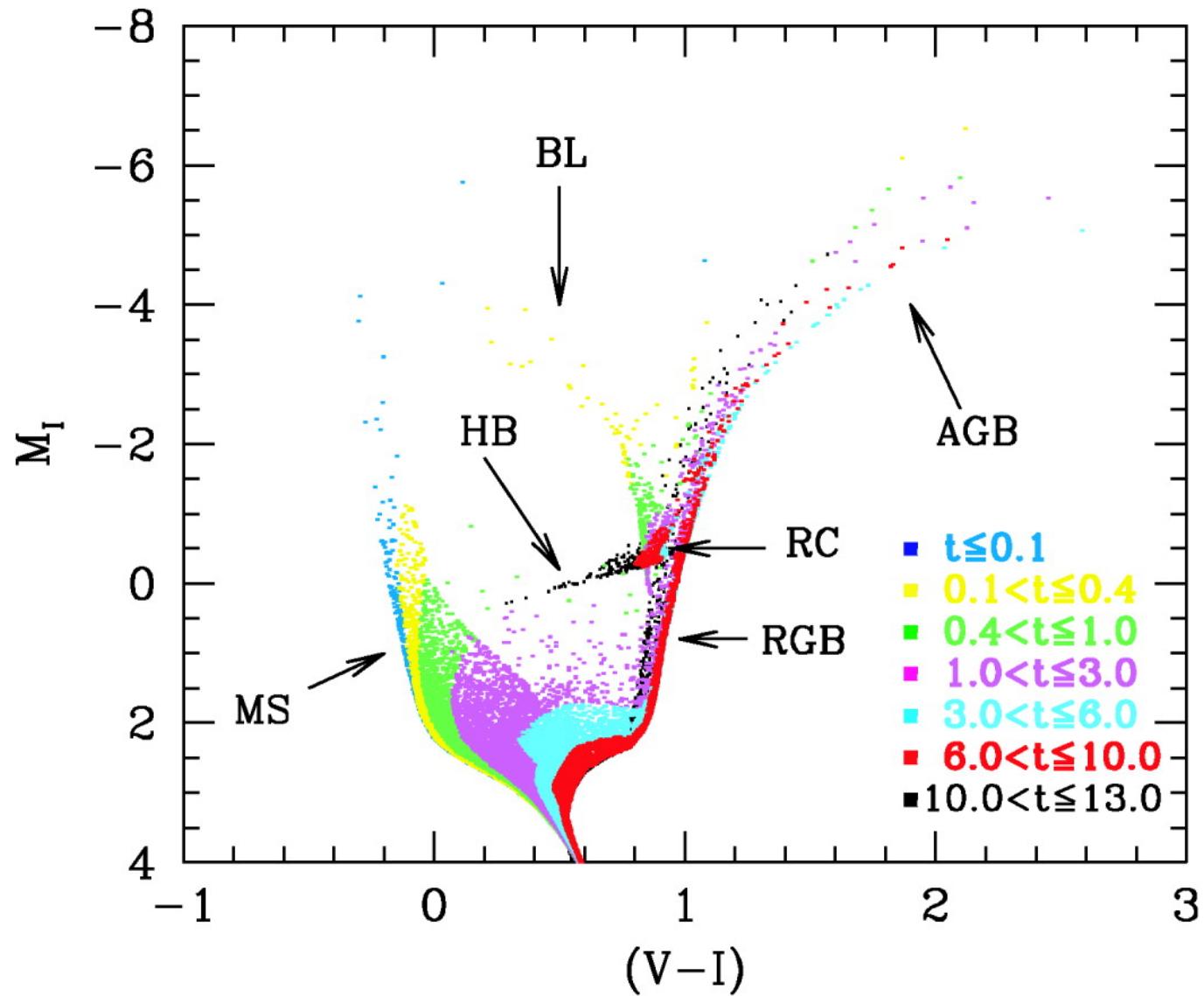


Part I

Resolved Imaging

- Star Formation Histories -

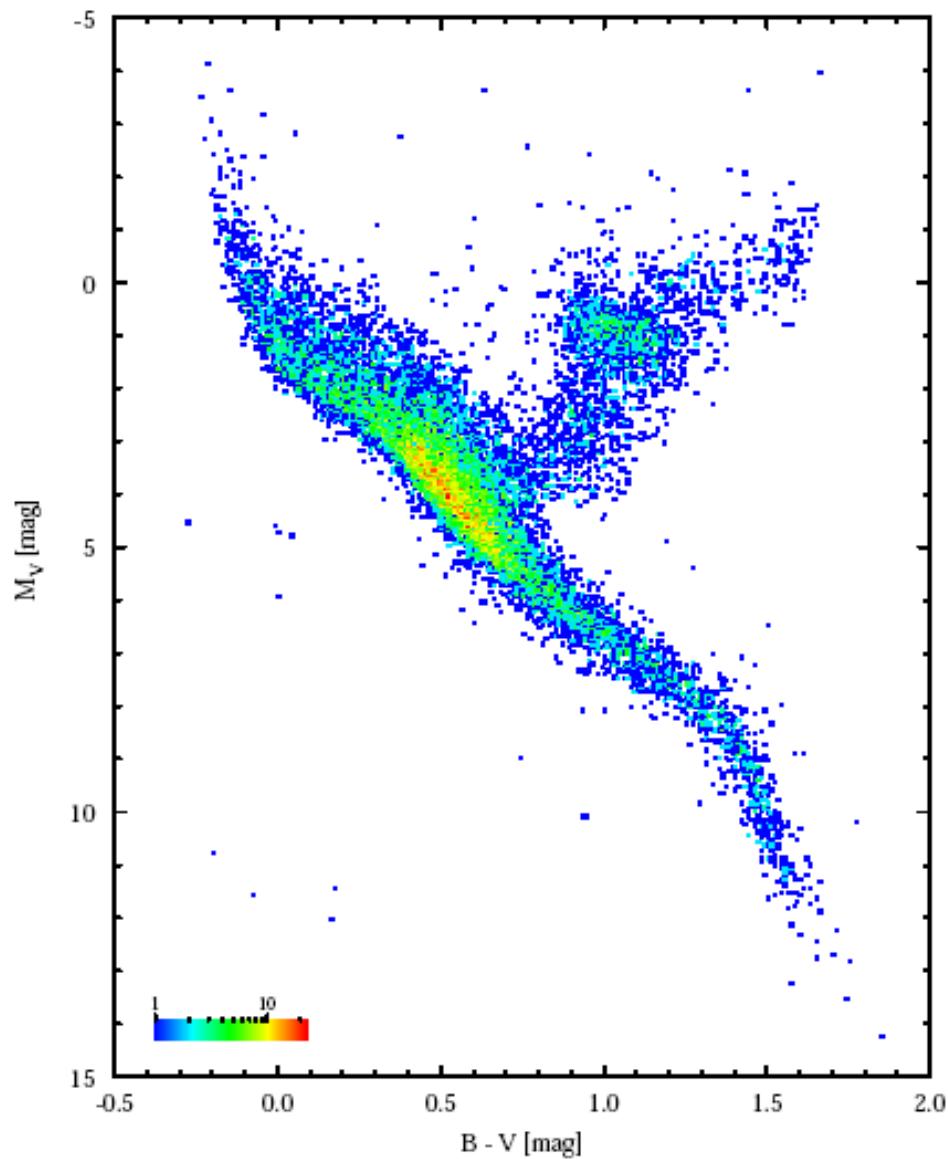
Colour-Magnitude Diagram (CMD)



Tosi et al. 1991; Aparicio et al. 1996; Tolstoy & Saha 1996; Dolphin 1997, 2002;
Hernandez et al. 2000; Ikuta & Arimoto 2002; Gallart et al. 2005

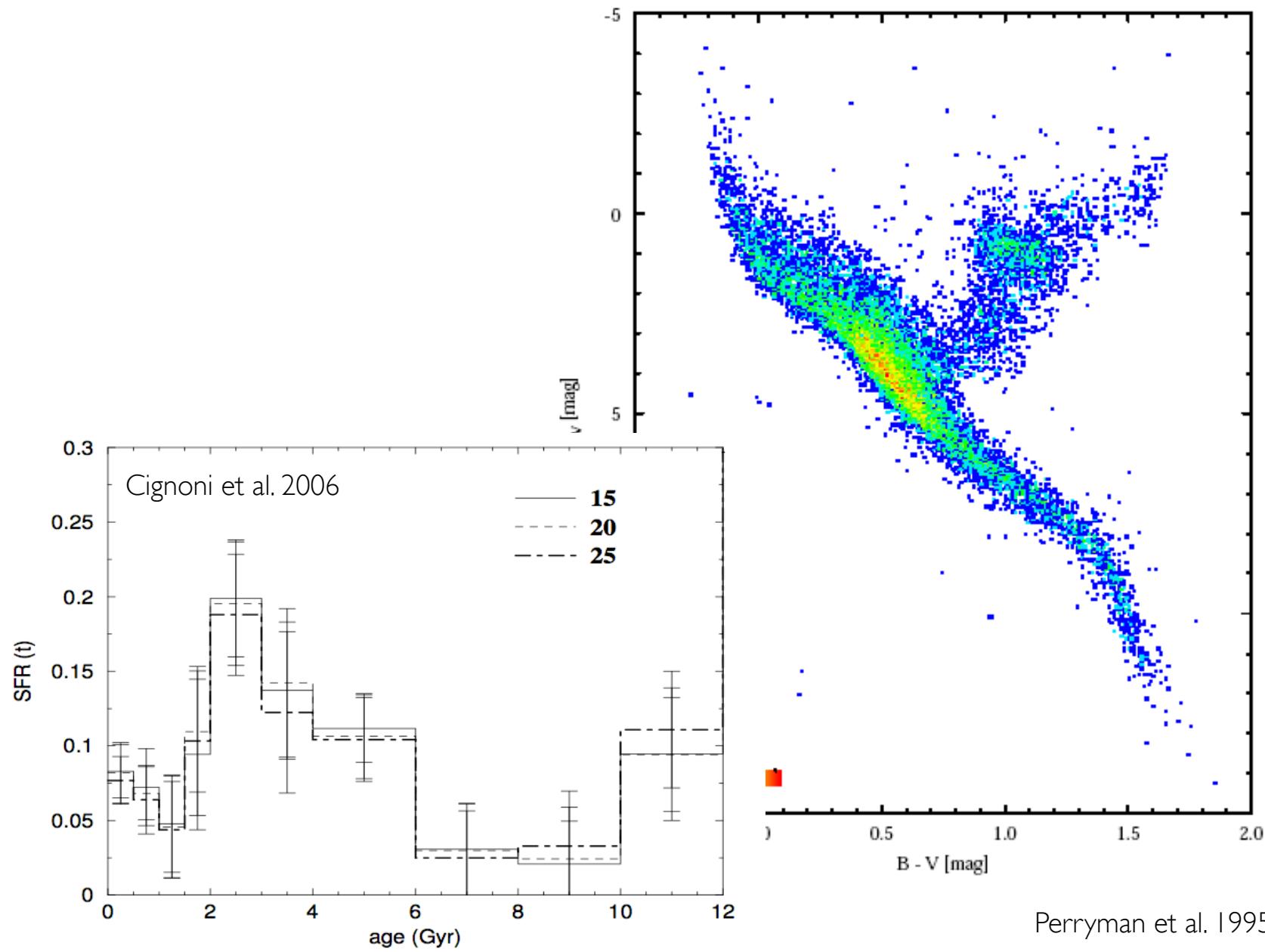
Aparicio & Gallart 2004

Hipparcos CMD of Milky Way



Perryman et al. 1995, A&A, 304, 69

Hipparcos CMD of Milky Way



SFHs in the Local Group

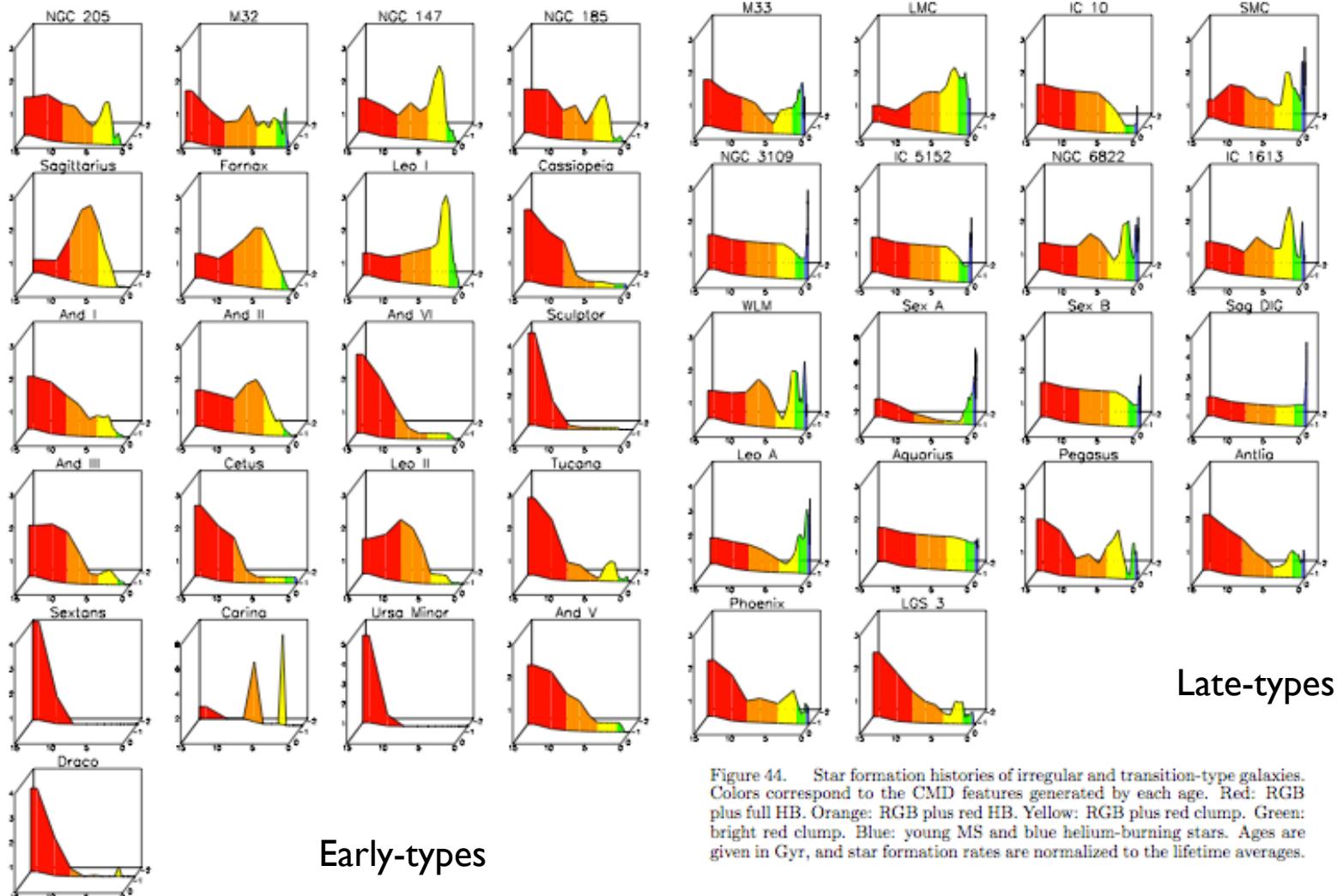
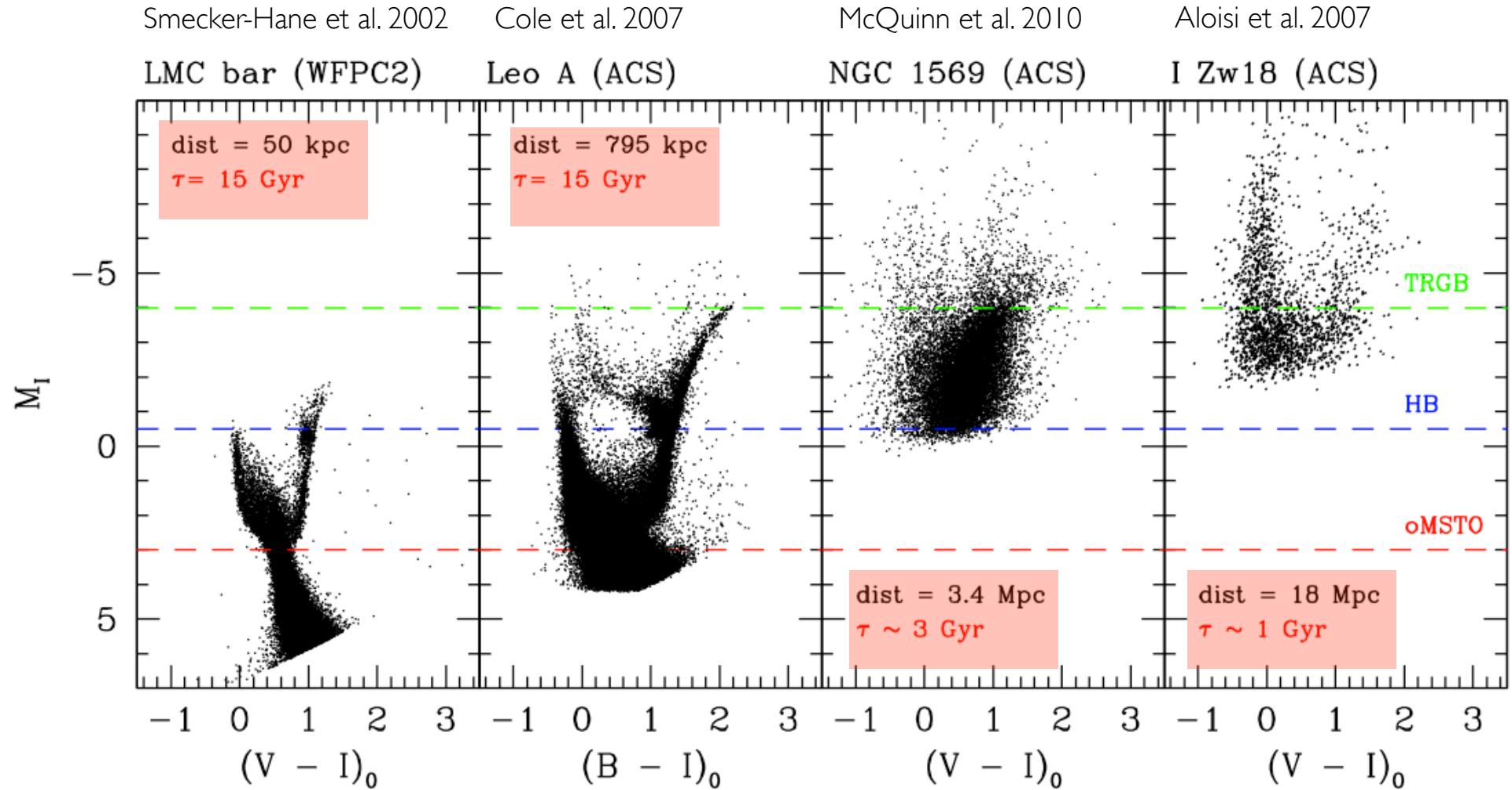


Figure 43. Star formation histories of elliptical and spheroidal galaxies. Colors correspond to the CMD features generated by each age. Red: RGB plus full HB. Orange: RGB plus red HB. Yellow: RGB plus red clump. Green: bright red clump. Blue: young MS and blue helium-burning stars. Ages are given in Gyr, and star formation rates are normalized to the lifetime averages.

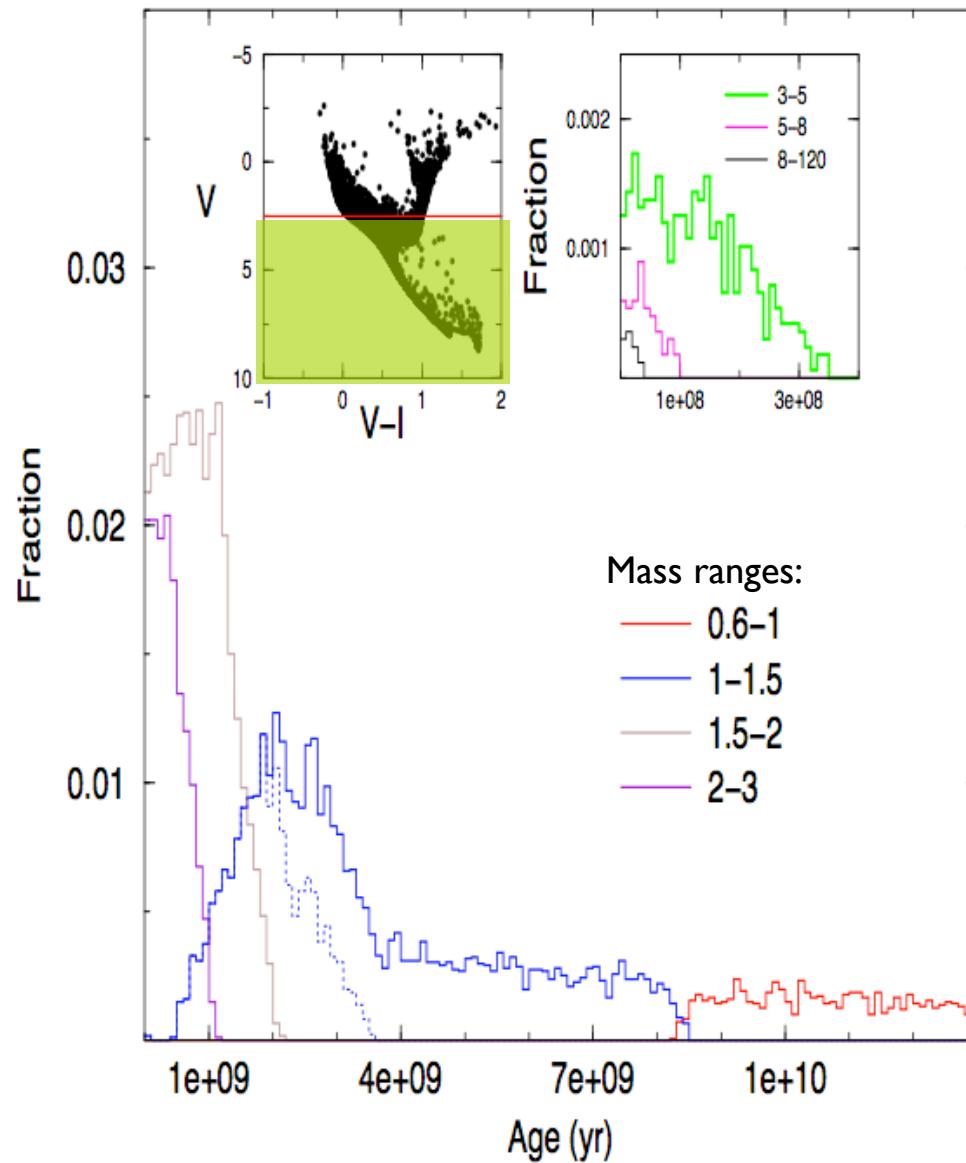
Figure 44. Star formation histories of irregular and transition-type galaxies. Colors correspond to the CMD features generated by each age. Red: RGB plus full HB. Orange: RGB plus red HB. Yellow: RGB plus red clump. Green: bright red clump. Blue: young MS and blue helium-burning stars. Ages are given in Gyr, and star formation rates are normalized to the lifetime averages.

Probing Different Environments

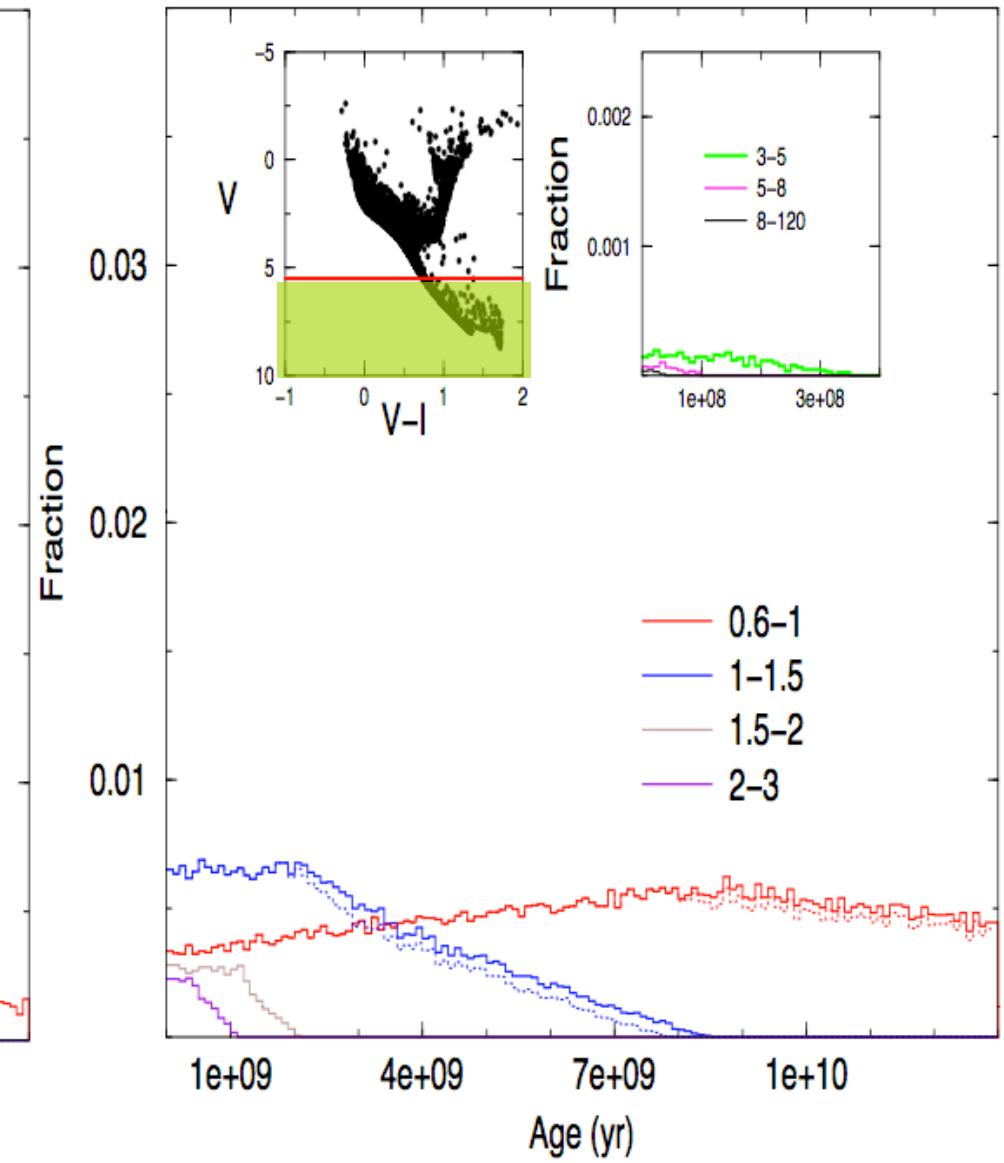


We can't study all galaxies with the same detail and beyond the Local Group it becomes particularly difficult with current facilities.

Fractional age distributions

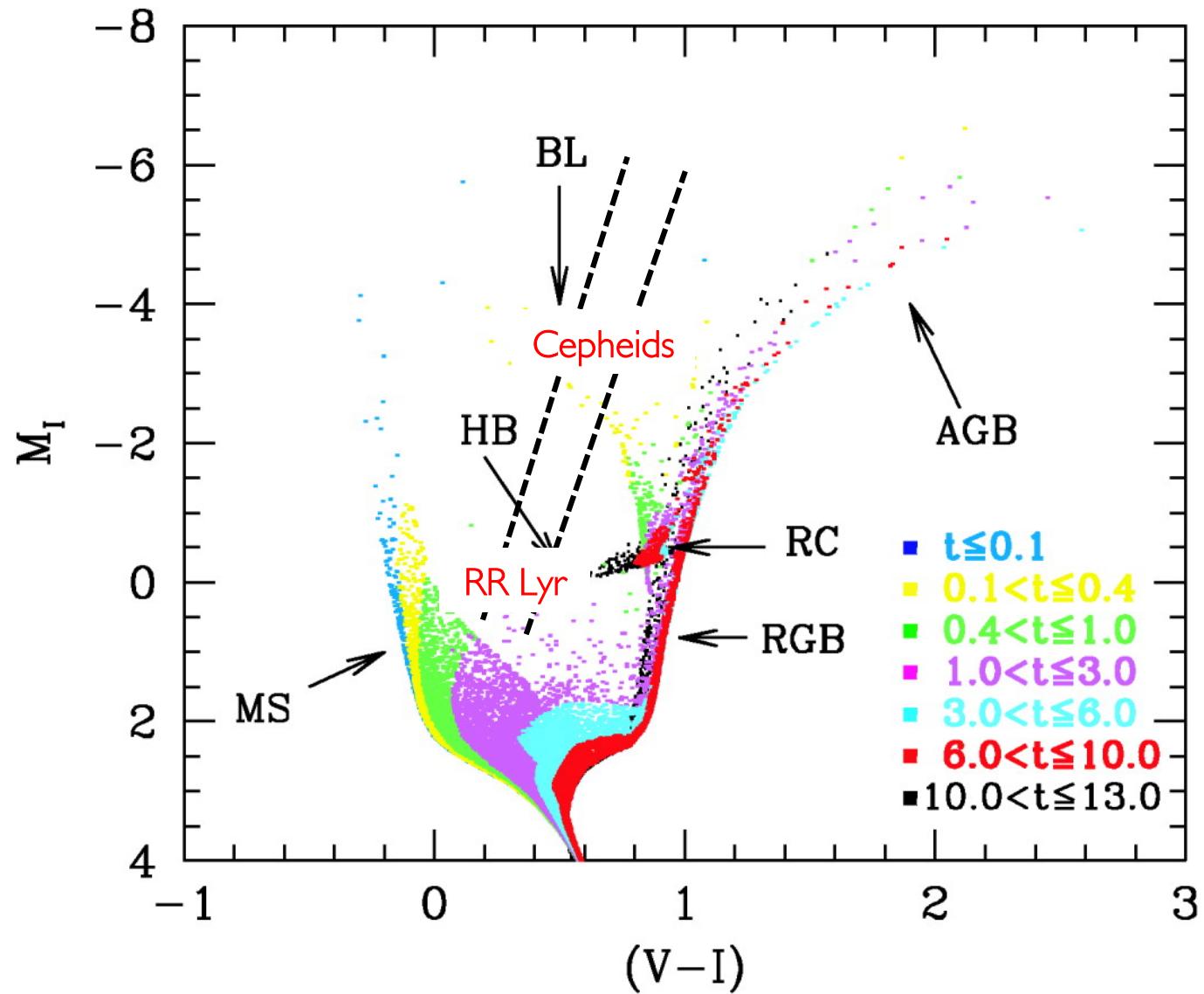


Assuming constant SFR over 13Gyr



Cignoni & Tosi 2010, *Advances in Astronomy*, pp. I-26

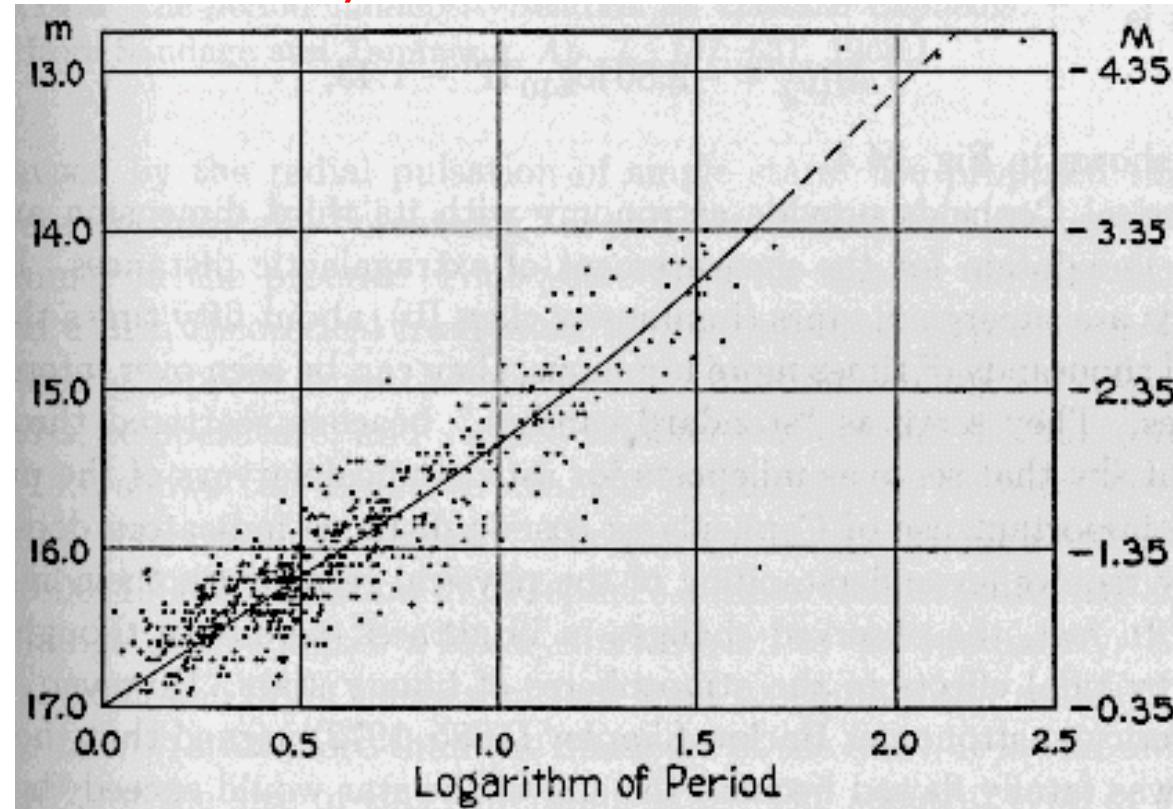
Variable Stars



AparicioA.,GallartC.,AJ,128,1465

Cepheid Variable Stars

Period-Luminosity relation



Harlow S., 1961, Harvard University Press

$$M_V = -2.80 \log_{10} P - 1.43$$
$$(m - M_V)_0 = 5 \log_{10} d(\text{pc}) - 5 (+A)$$

Accurate DISTANCES
Henrietta Leavitt (1912)



Birth of Extragalactic Astronomy

Hubble (1926) ApJ, 64, 321 *Extragalactic nebulae*



M31



M33



NGC6822

Hubble used Cepheid variable stars to show that distances to M31, M33 and NGC6822 are without doubt BEYOND our own Galaxy

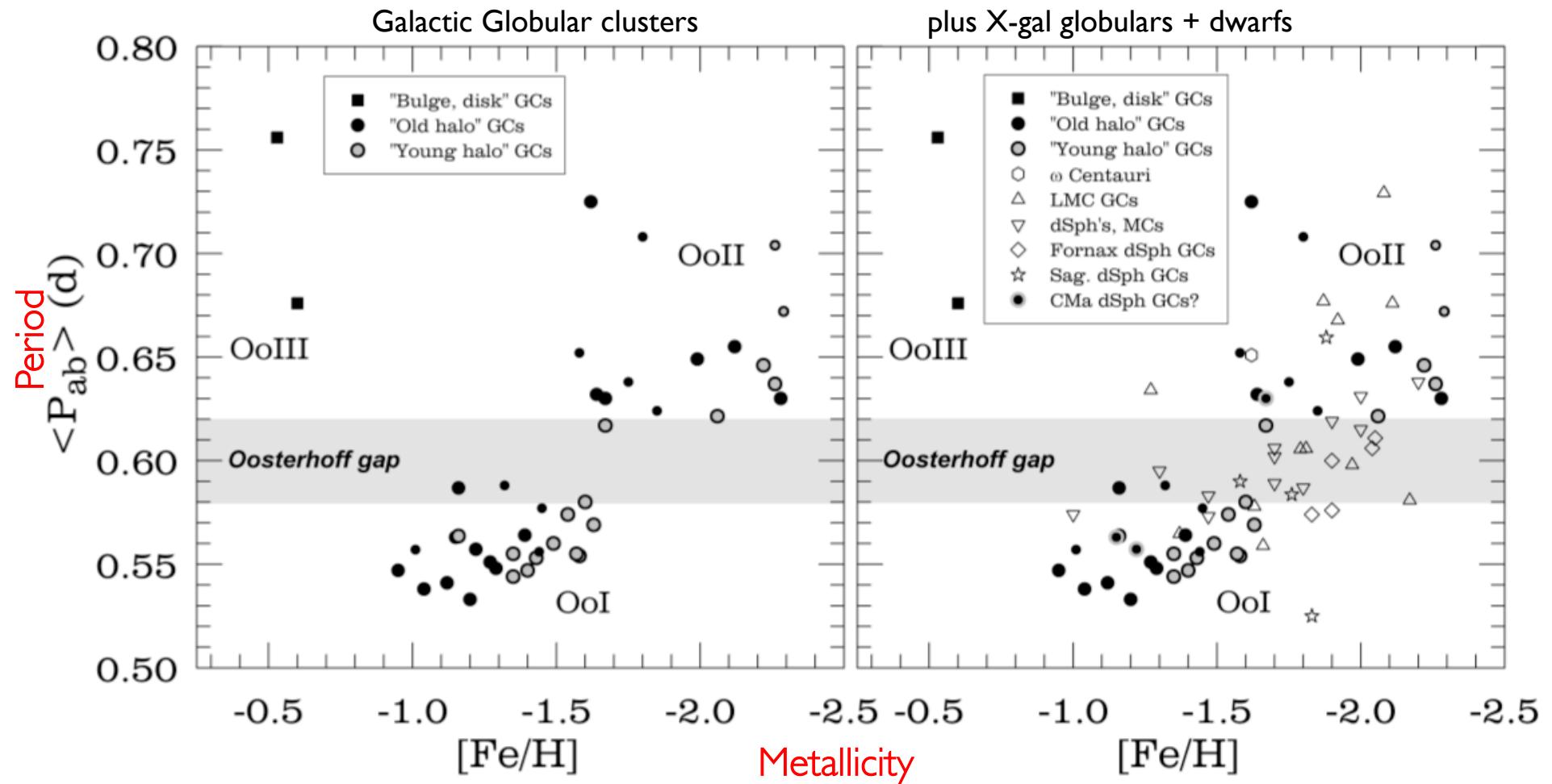


Edwin Hubble

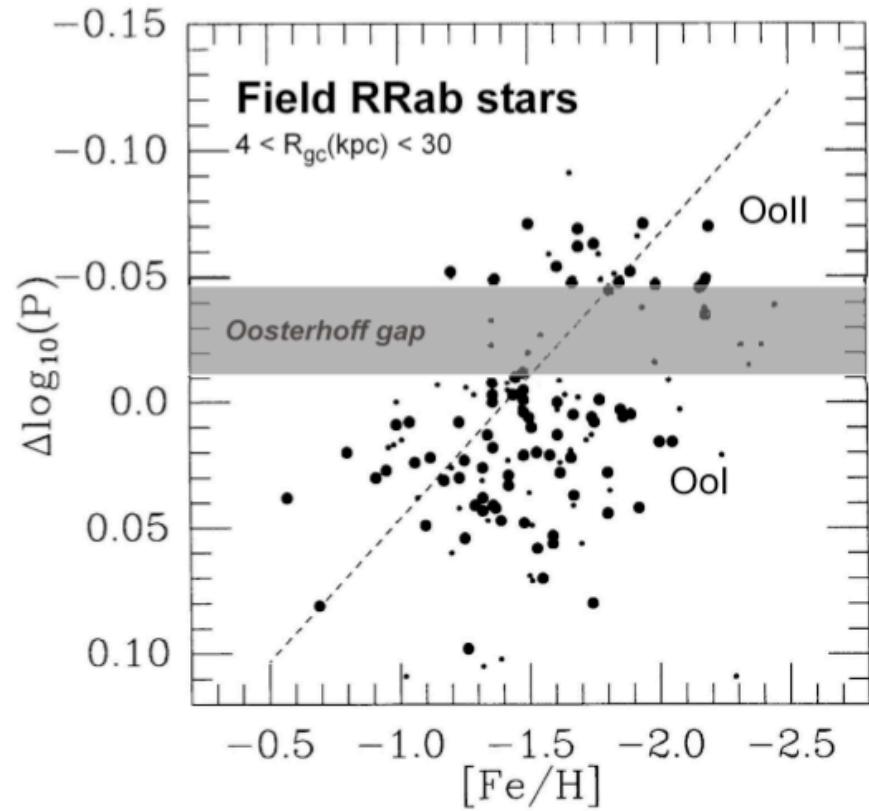
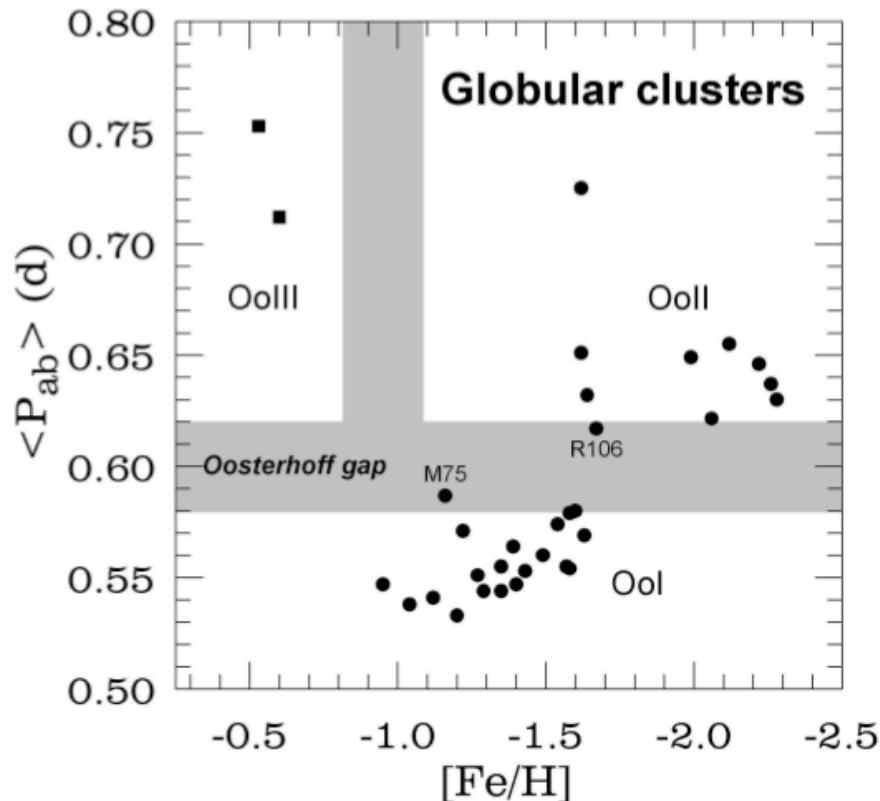
RR Lyr Variable Stars

Oosterhoff Dicotomy

Oosterhoff (1939)



RR Lyr Variable Stars



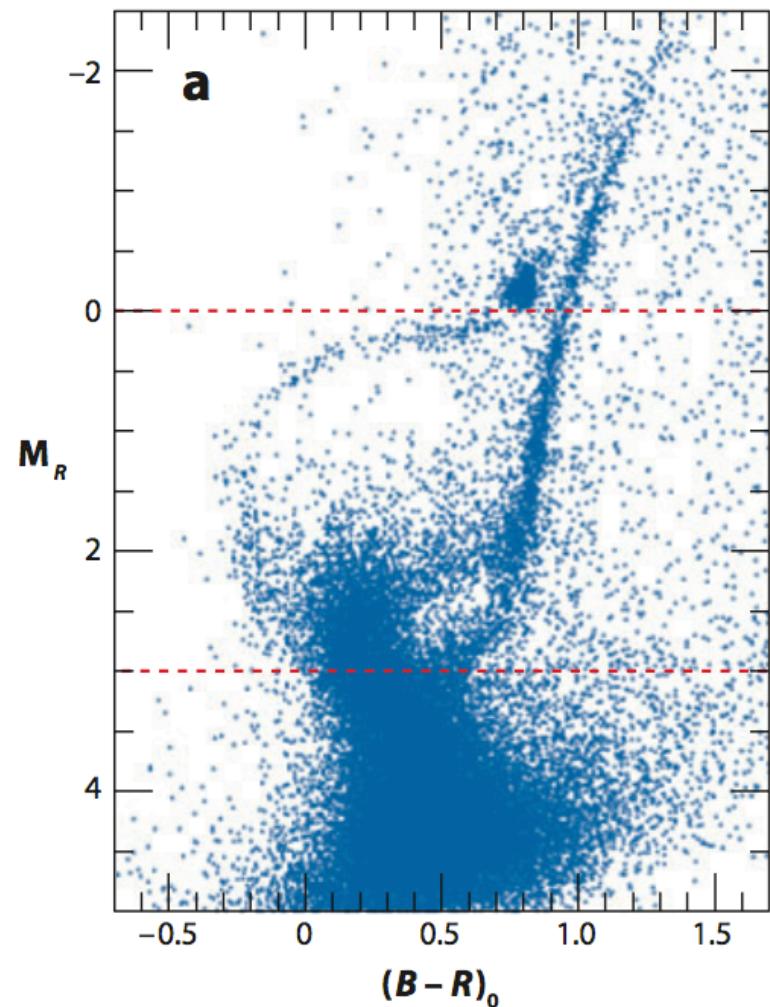
Suntzeff, Kinman & Kraft 1991

Dichotomy also present in field stars....

Catelan 2004

Carina Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxy

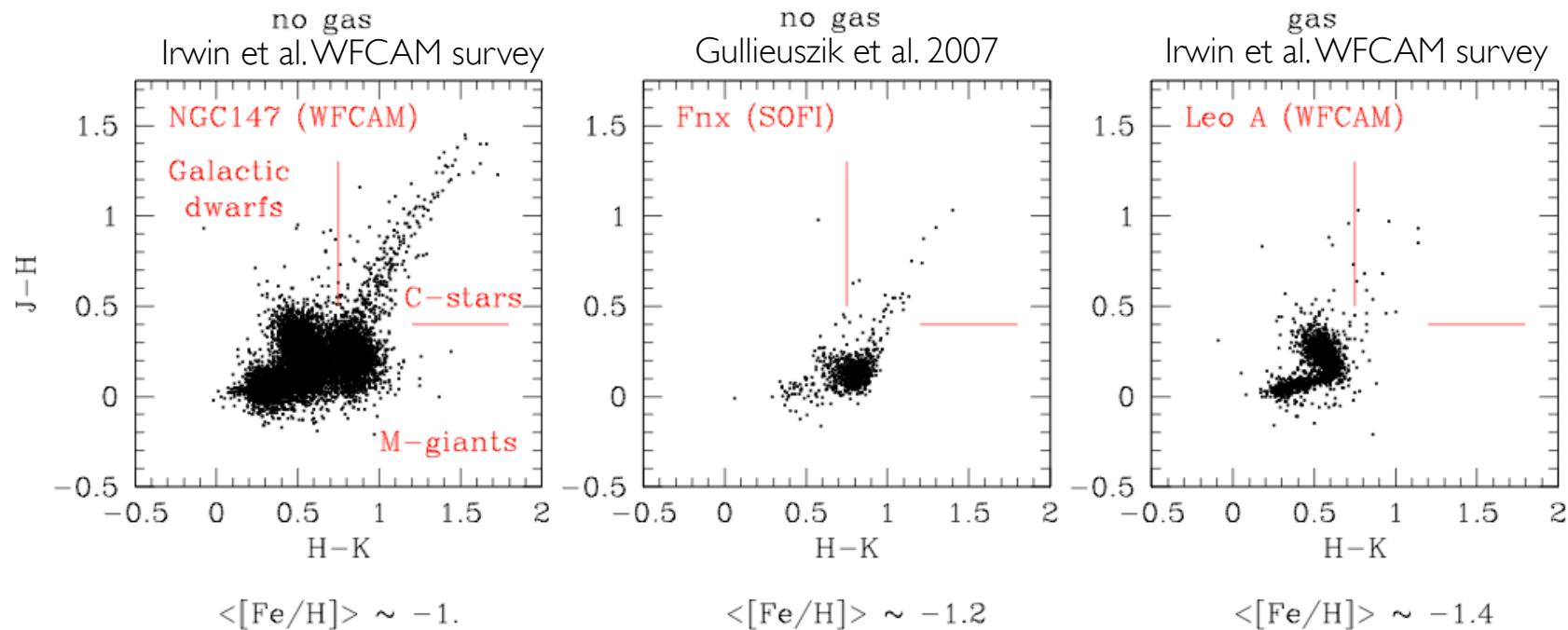
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Mario Mateo

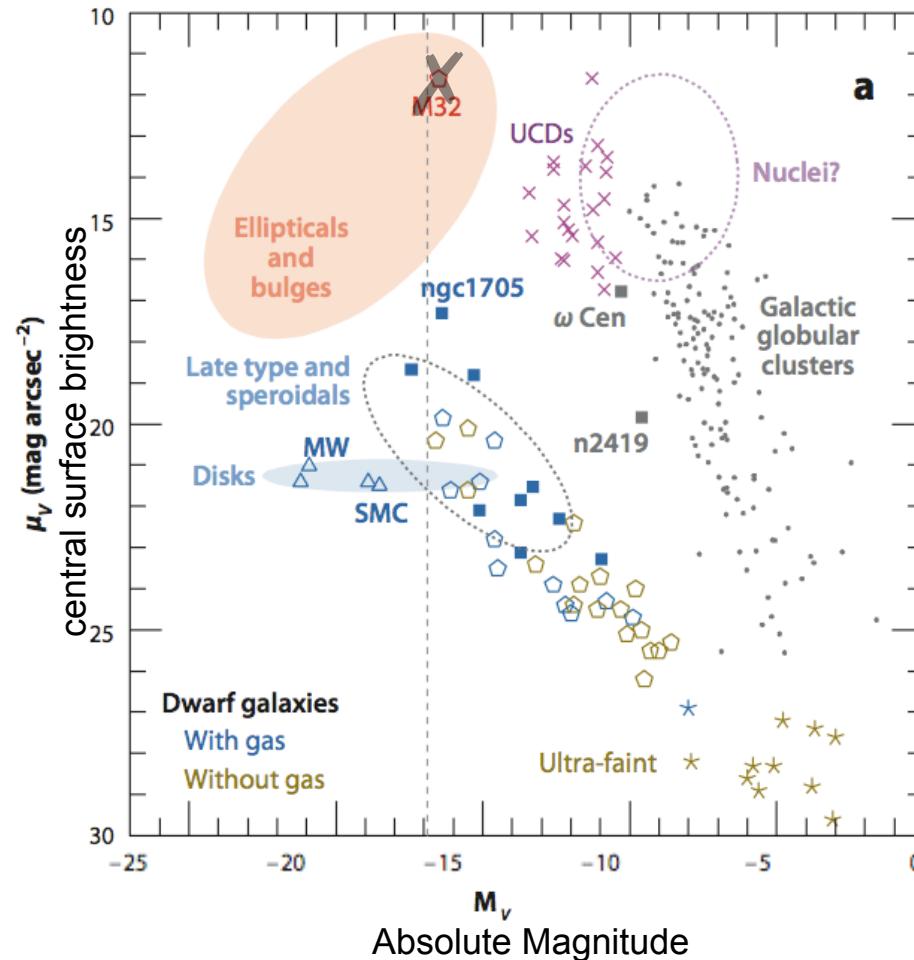
Some hints about evolved populations

Compilation by Tolstoy (2010) arXiv:1012.2229



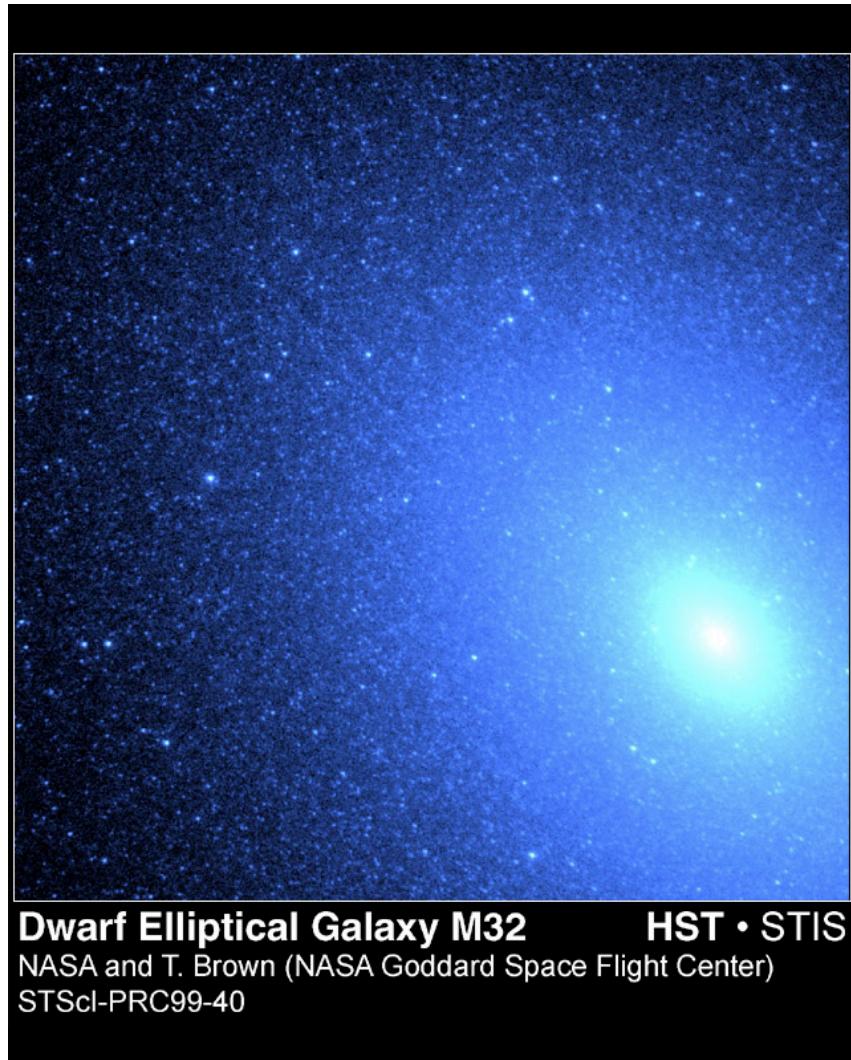
See also Tolstoy F., 2010arXiv1012.2229

Global Properties

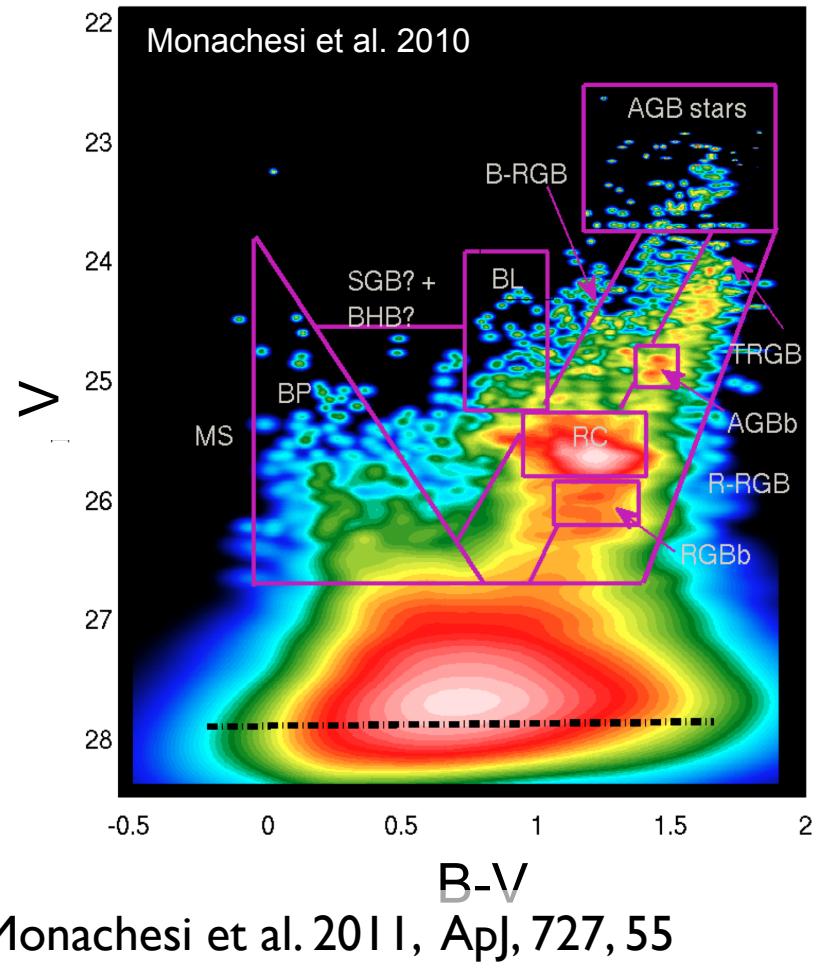


M32 – an elliptical in the Local Group

Intermediate age, metal rich system
+ ancient metal poor component

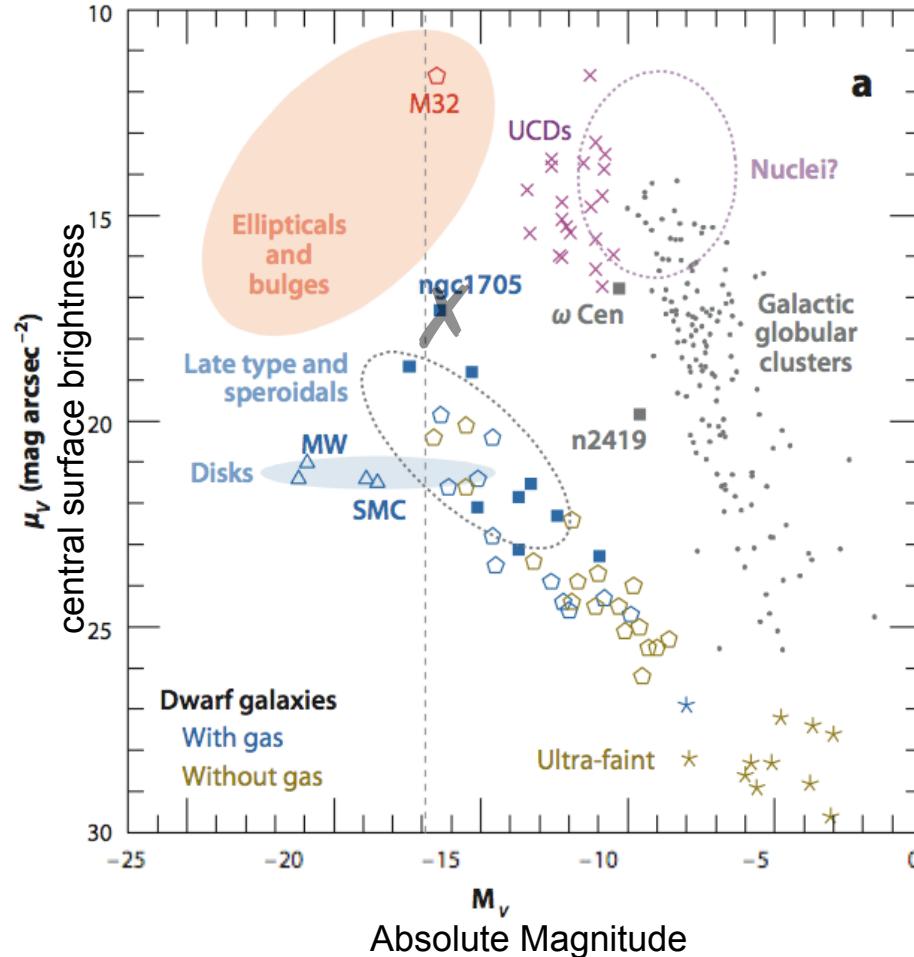


M32 – NGC221 (~760kpc)



Fiorentino et al. 2010 ApJ, 708, 817

Global Properties



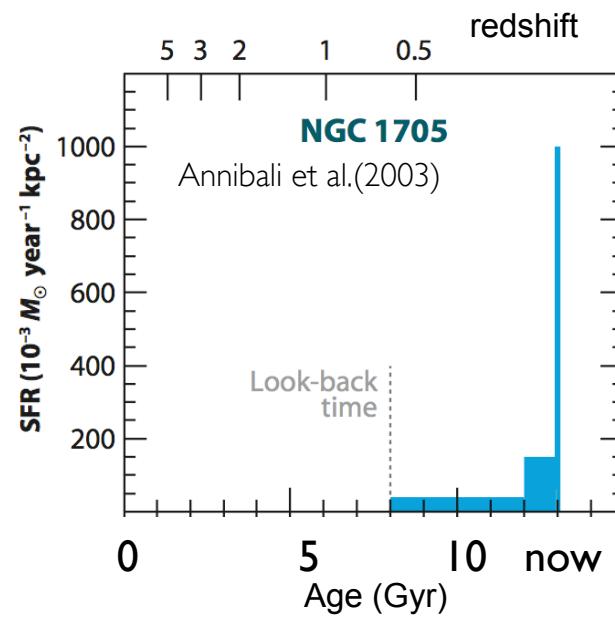
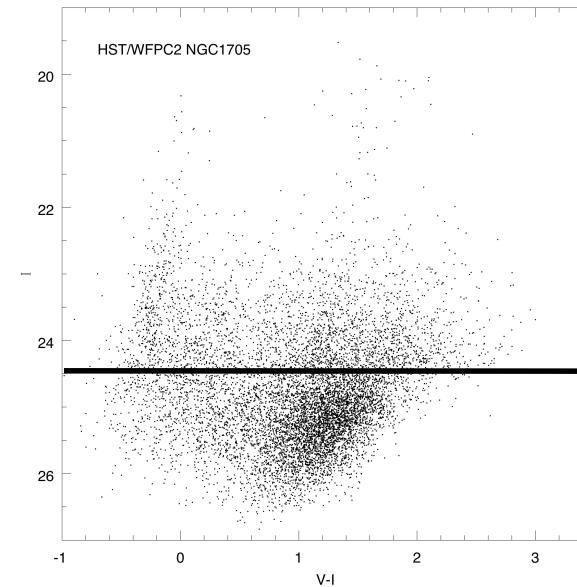
NGC1705: a Blue Compact Dwarf

Annibali et al.(2003)

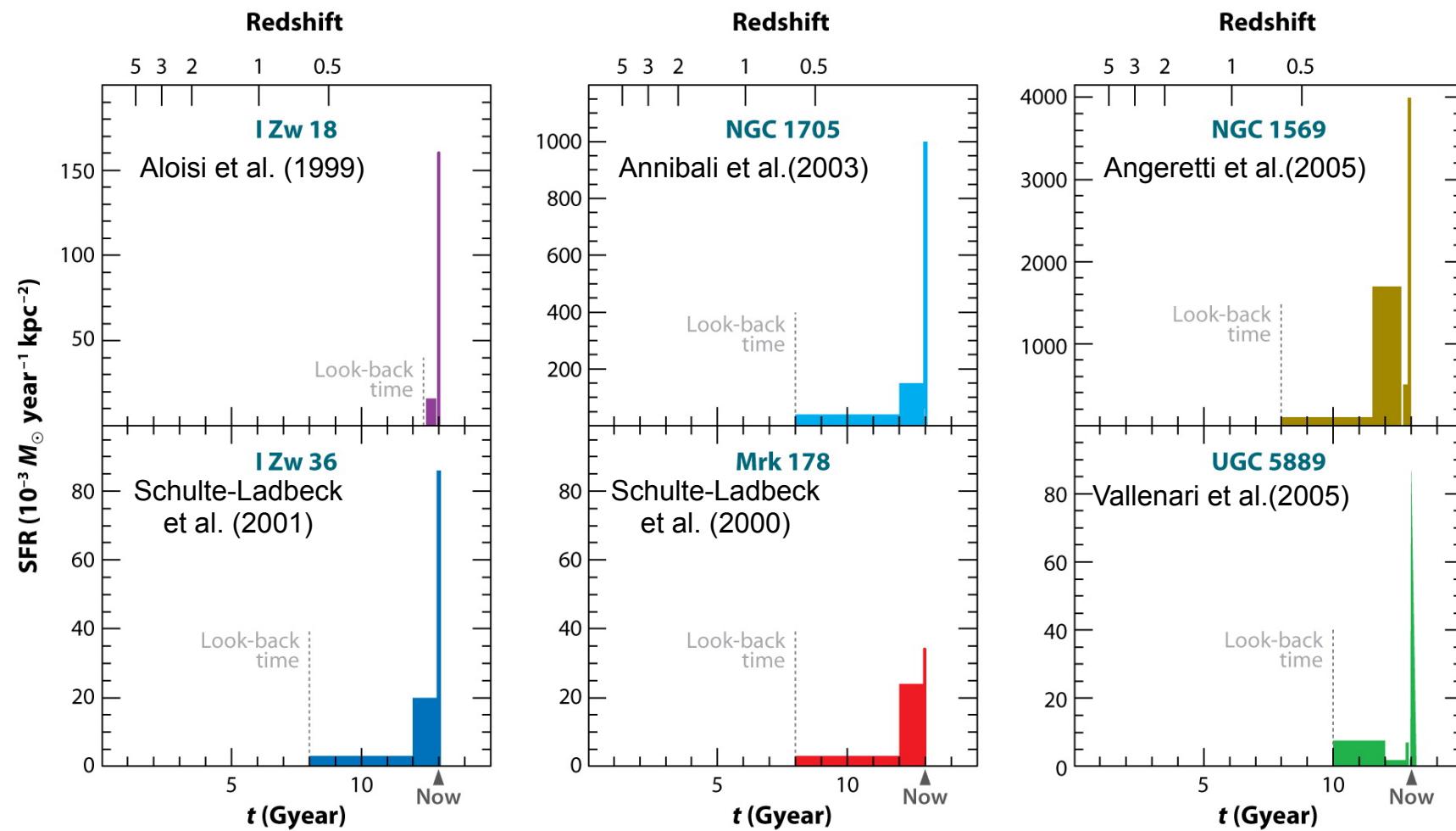


HST/ACS image

NGC1705 ($\sim 5\text{Mpc}$)

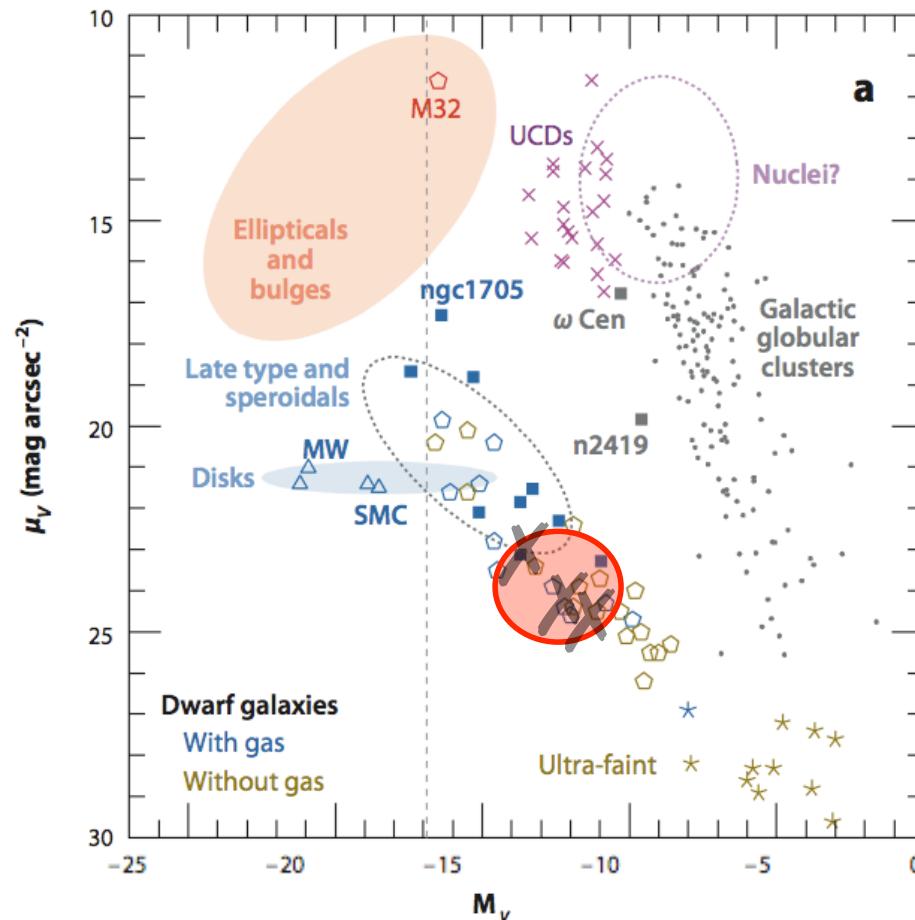


Summary of BCD SFHs



from Tolstoy, Hill & Tosi 2009

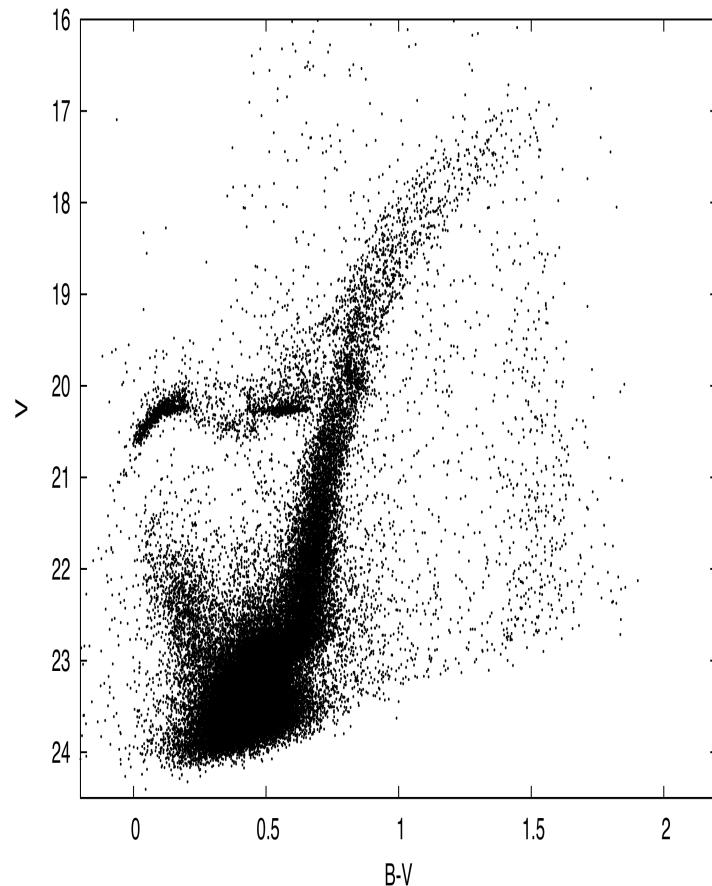
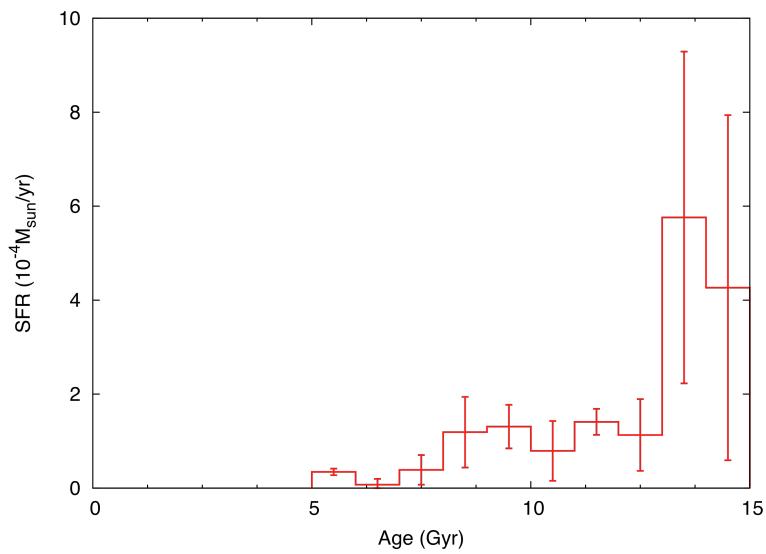
Comparing different types in one “region”



Scl dSph

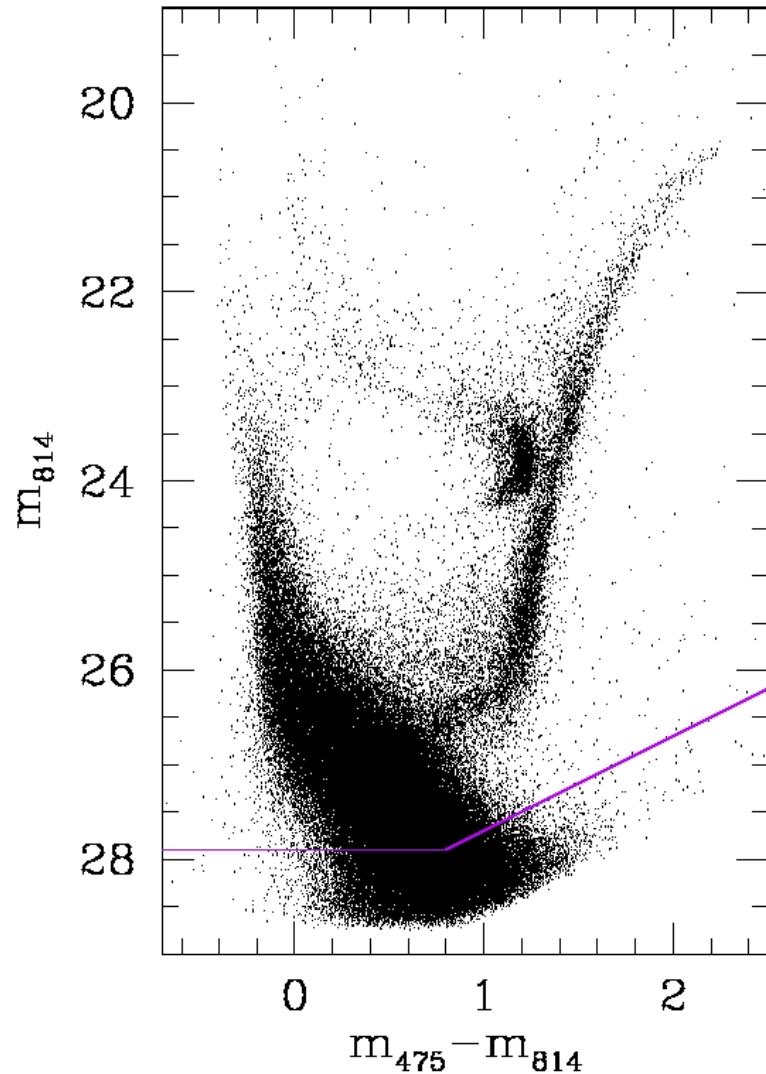
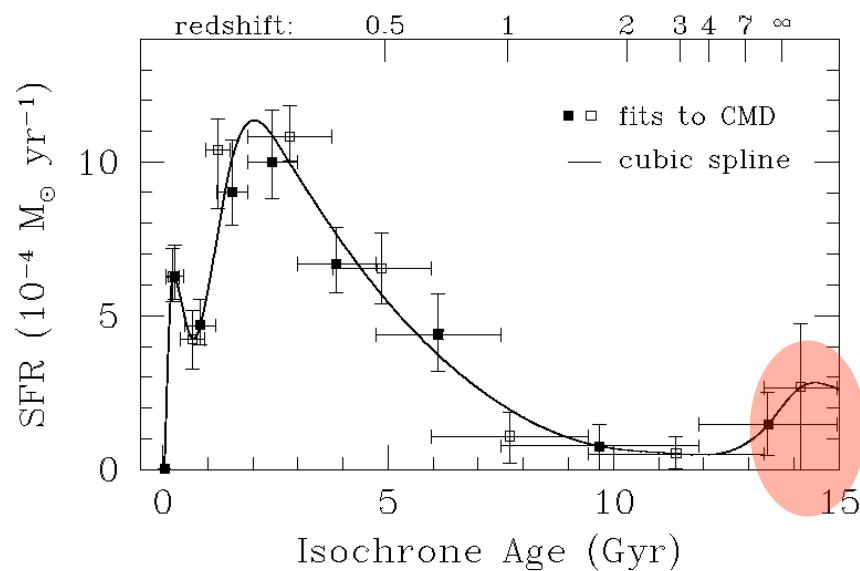
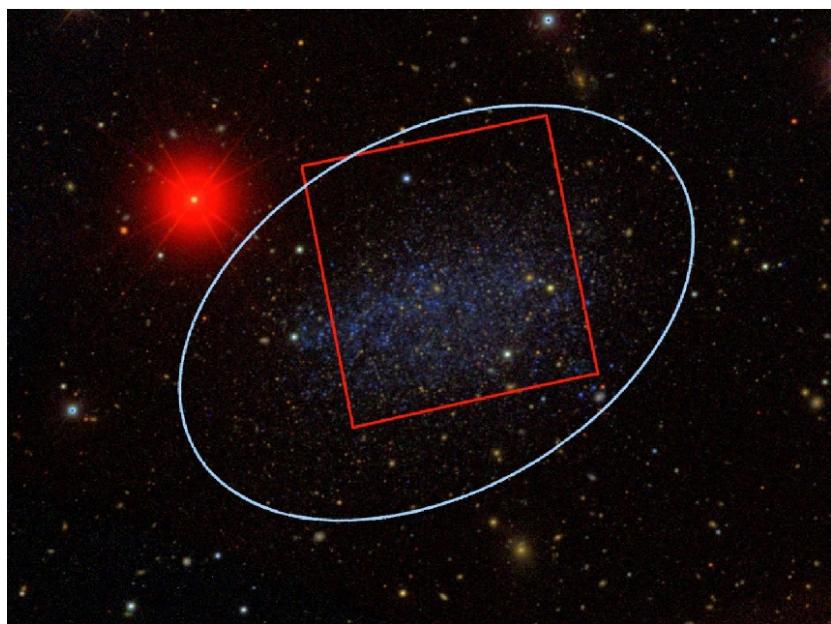
86 kpc distance

$M_v = -11.2$



Leo A dl

800 kpc distance
 $M_v = -11.7$



8 candidate RR Lyraes (Dolphin et al. 2002); Fiorentino et al., in prep.

Cole et al. 2007

VII Zw 403: a Blue Compact Dwarf

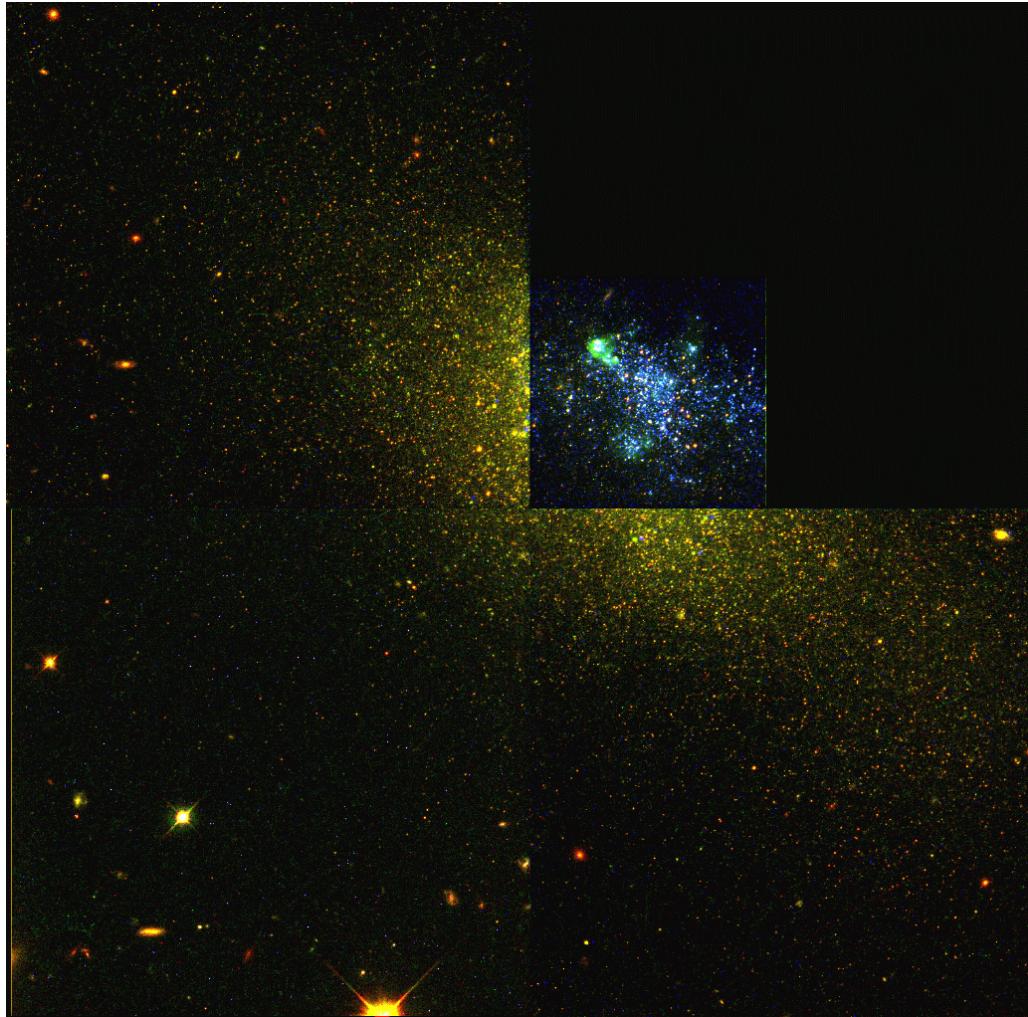
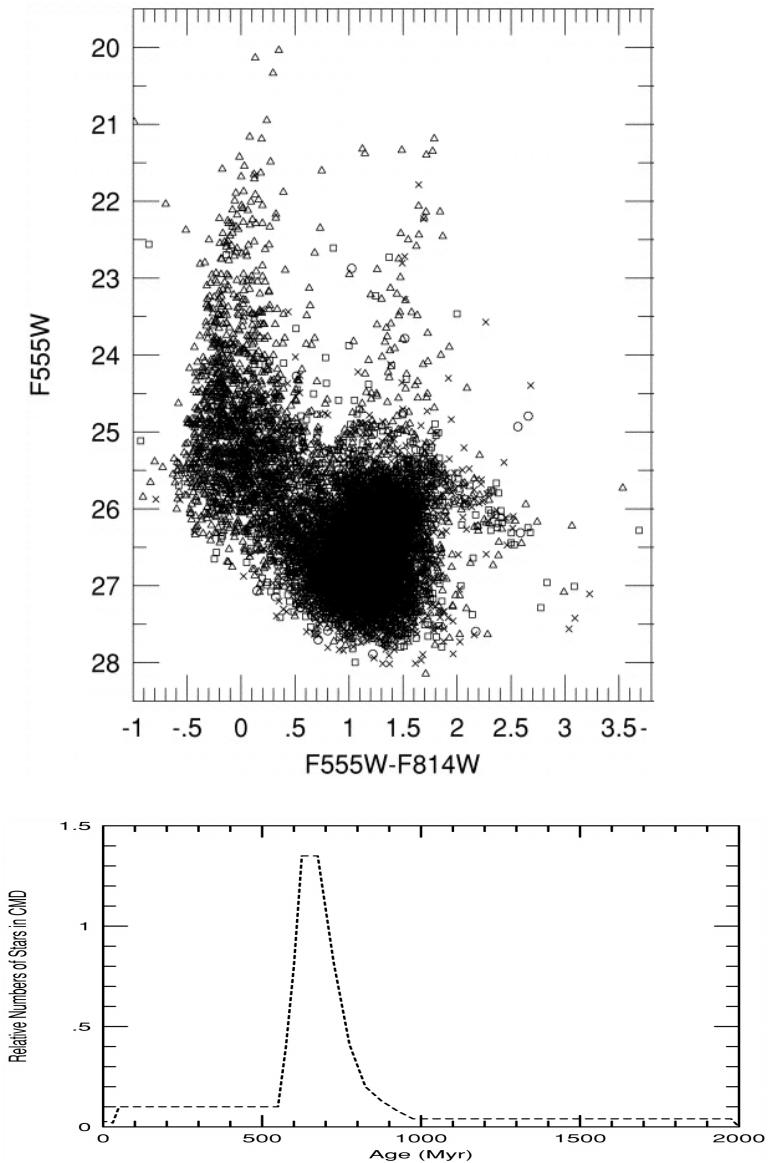


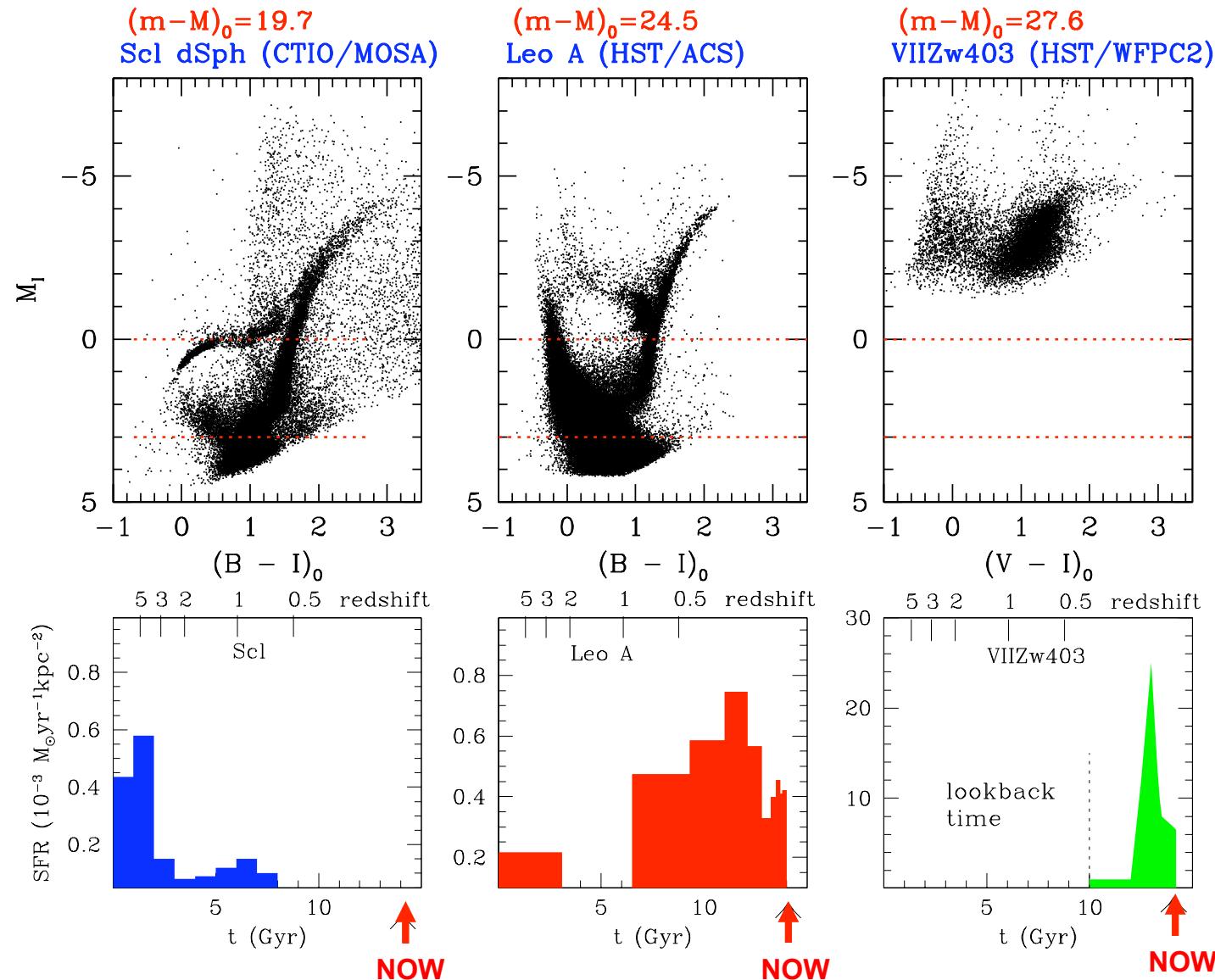
Image: multi-colour HST/WFPC2, credit D. Hunter

VII Zw 403 – UGC 6456 ($\sim 4.5 \text{ Mpc}$)



Lynds et al. 1998

Comparing the different types

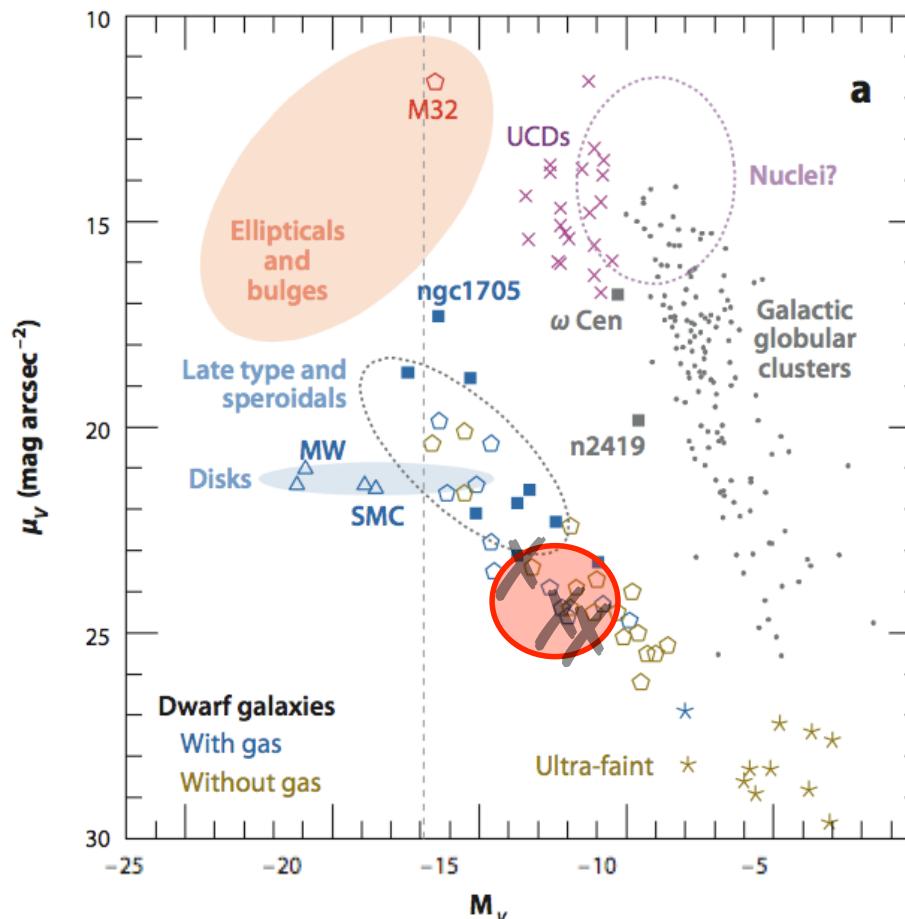


de Boer et al. 2011

Cole et al. 2007

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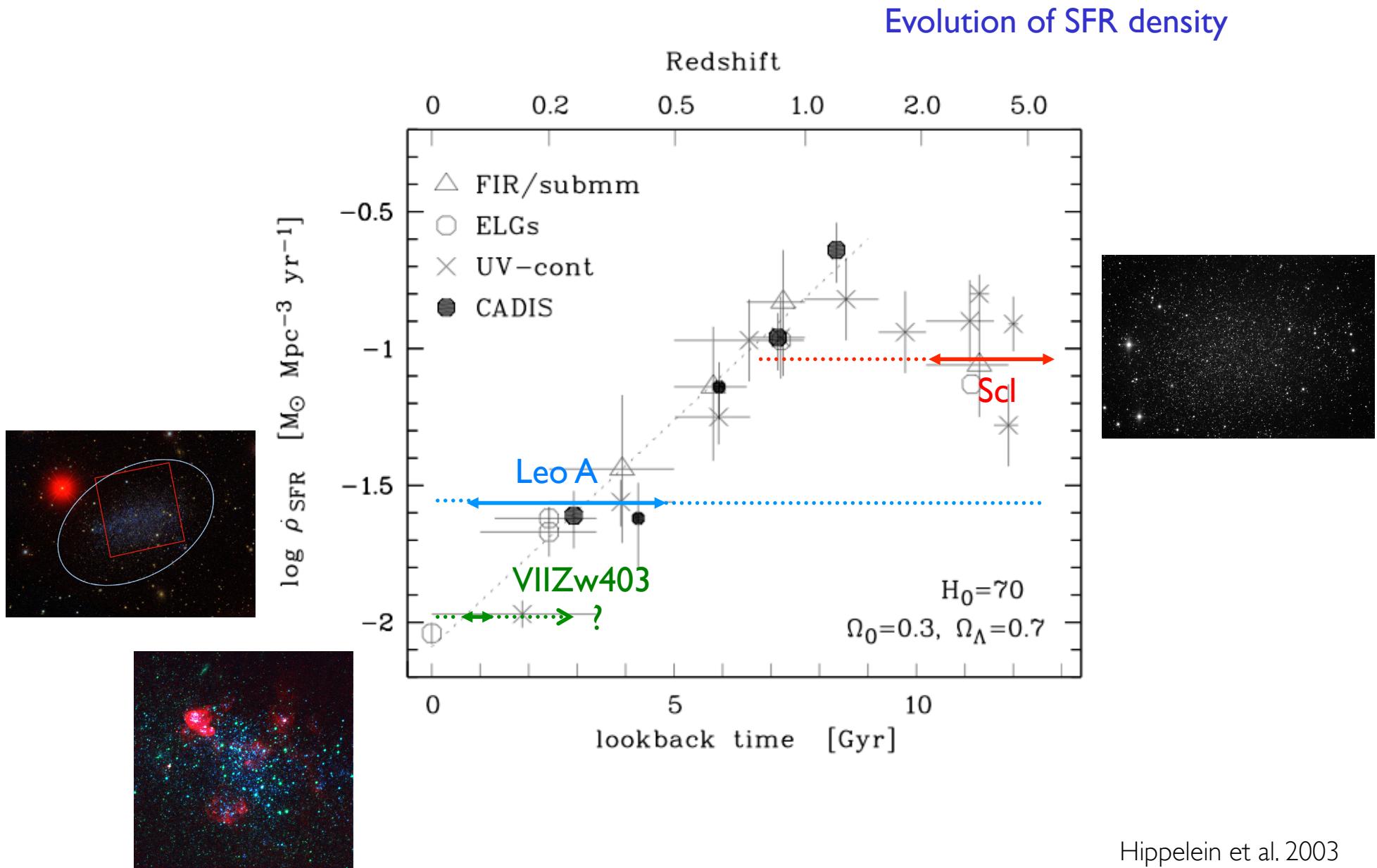
Comparing different types in the transition region



Different SFHs - yet global properties still correlate

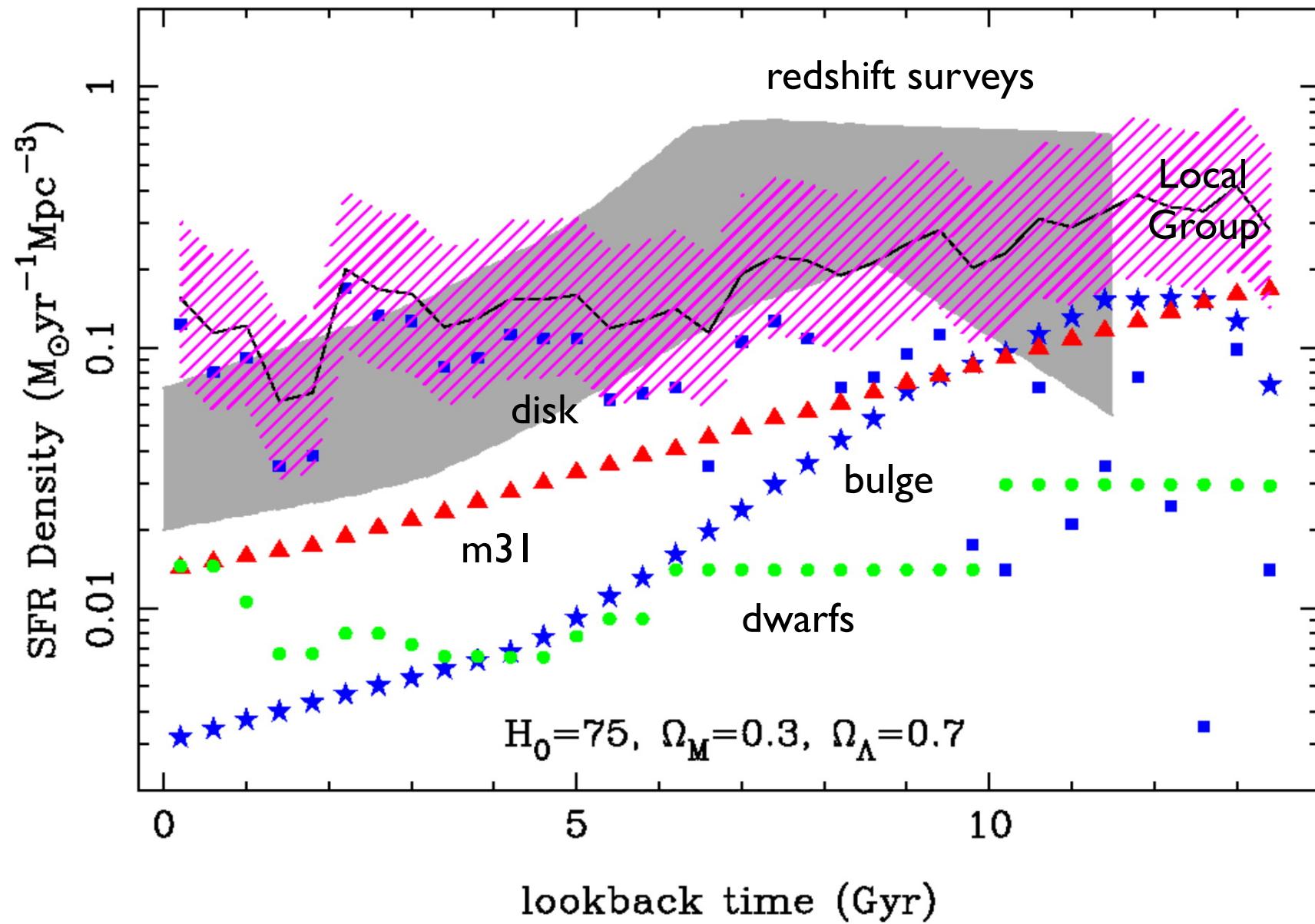
dSph, dI & BCDs differ only in that dI & BCD have on-going star formation

Cosmological Context



Hippelein et al. 2003

Star Formation Density in Local Group



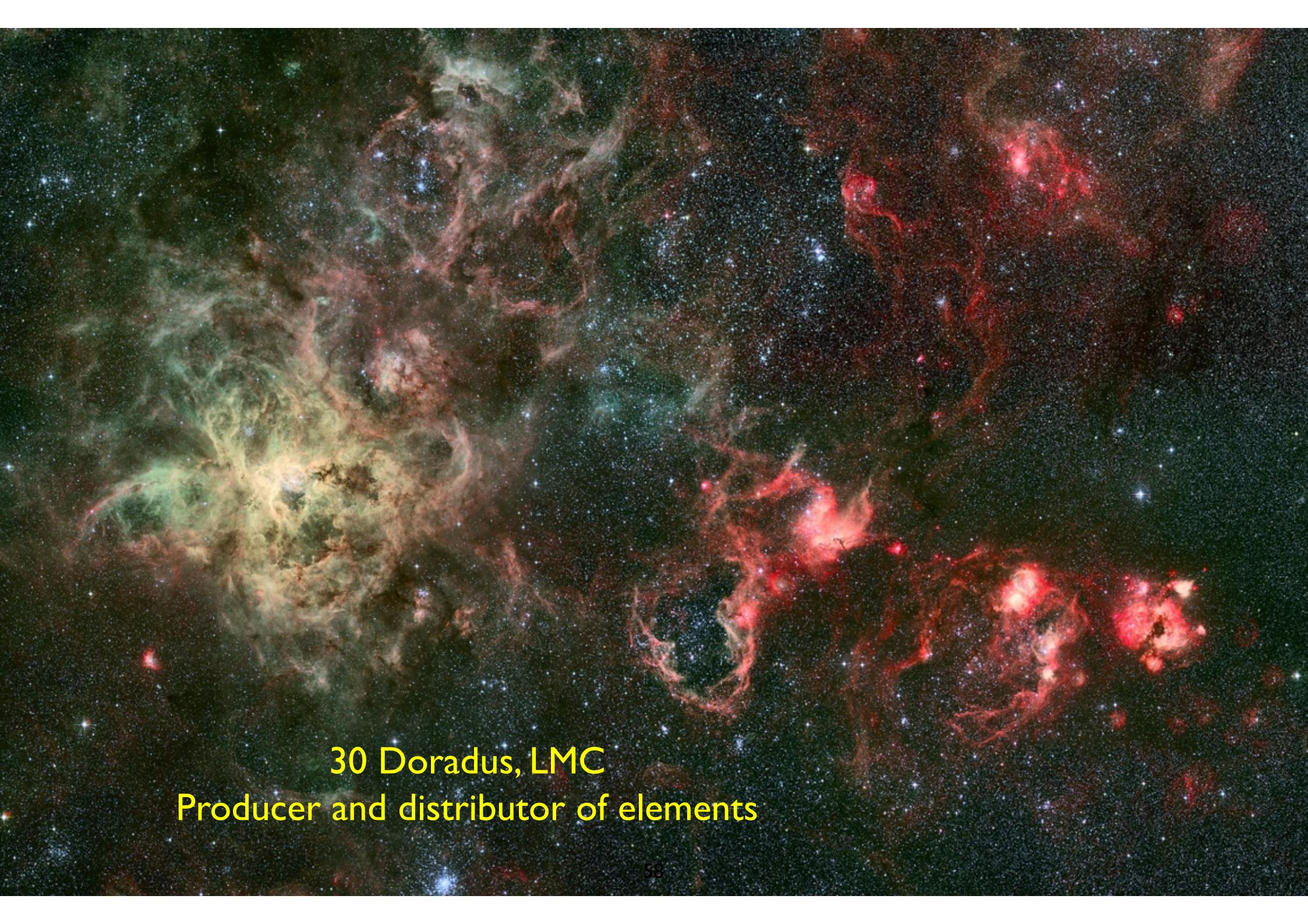
Hopkins et al. 2001

Next lecture I tell you about
metallicites and spectroscopy

Part II

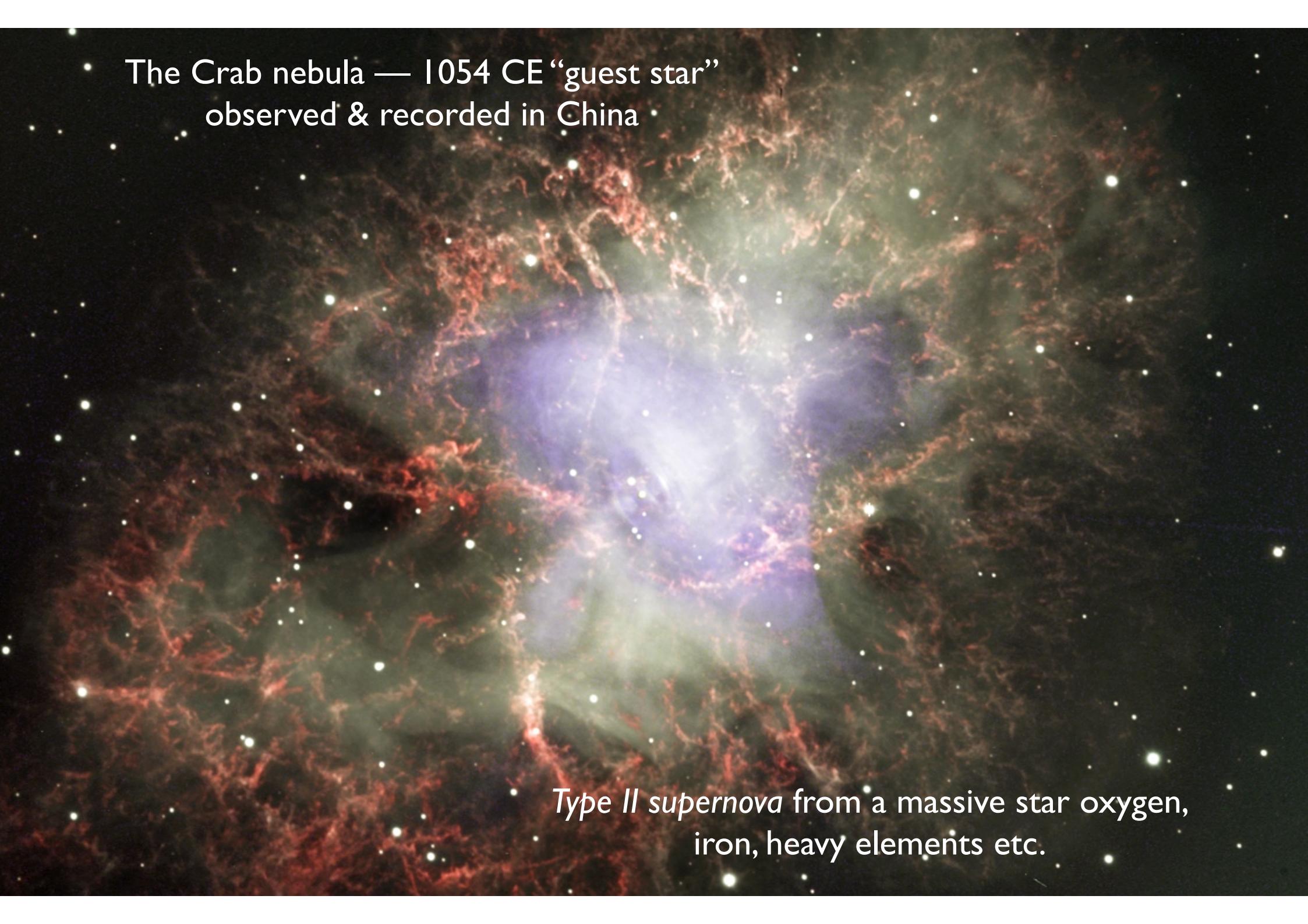
- Spectroscopy –

metallicities, abundances &
kinematics



30 Doradus, LMC
Producer and distributor of elements

The Crab nebula — 1054 CE “guest star”
observed & recorded in China



*Type II supernova from a massive star oxygen,
iron, heavy elements etc.*

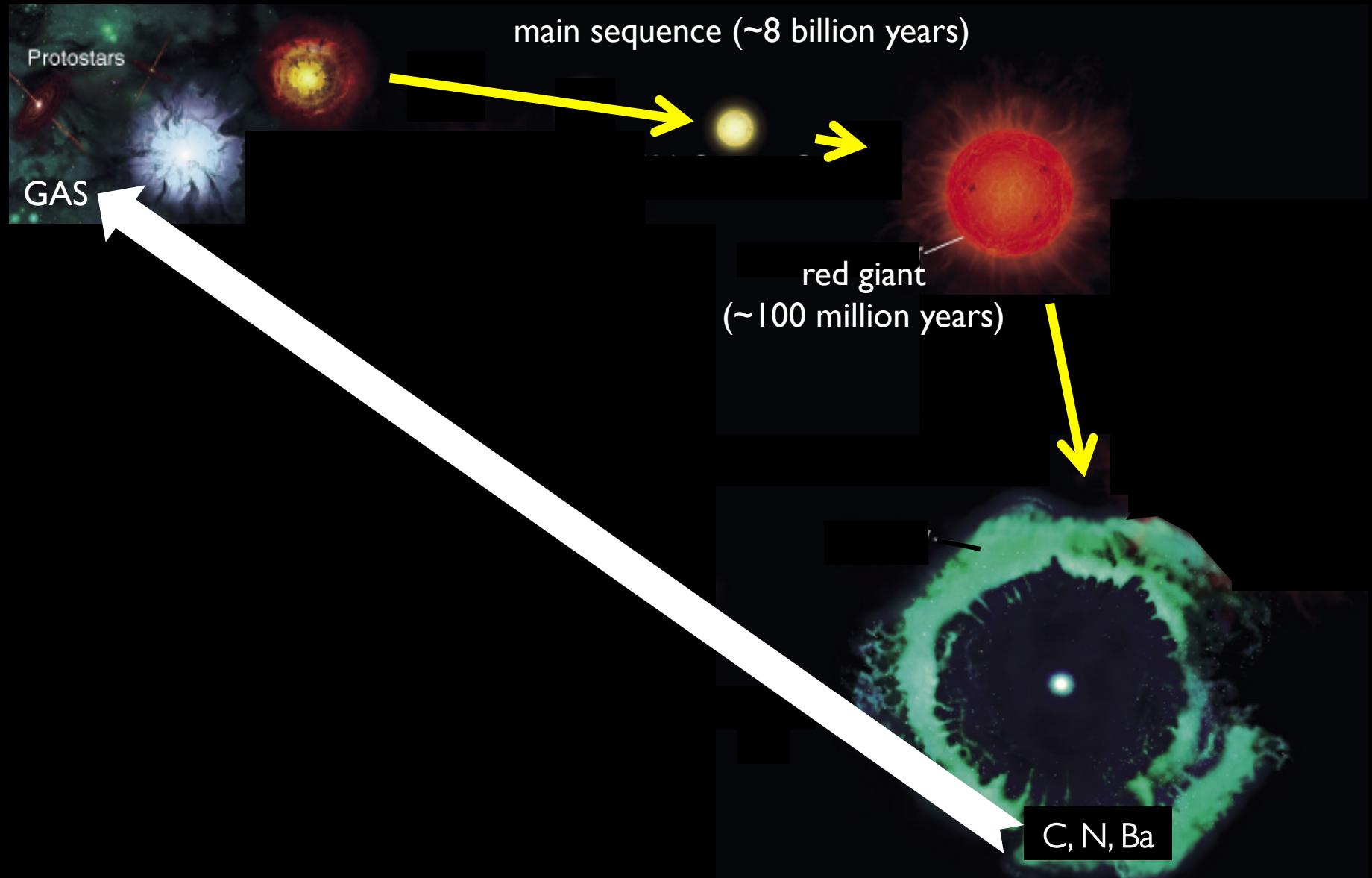
...and most stars lose their mass more slowly....



The Helix: a planetary nebula from
a Sun-like star, producing carbon,
nitrogen etc.

Nucleosynthesis

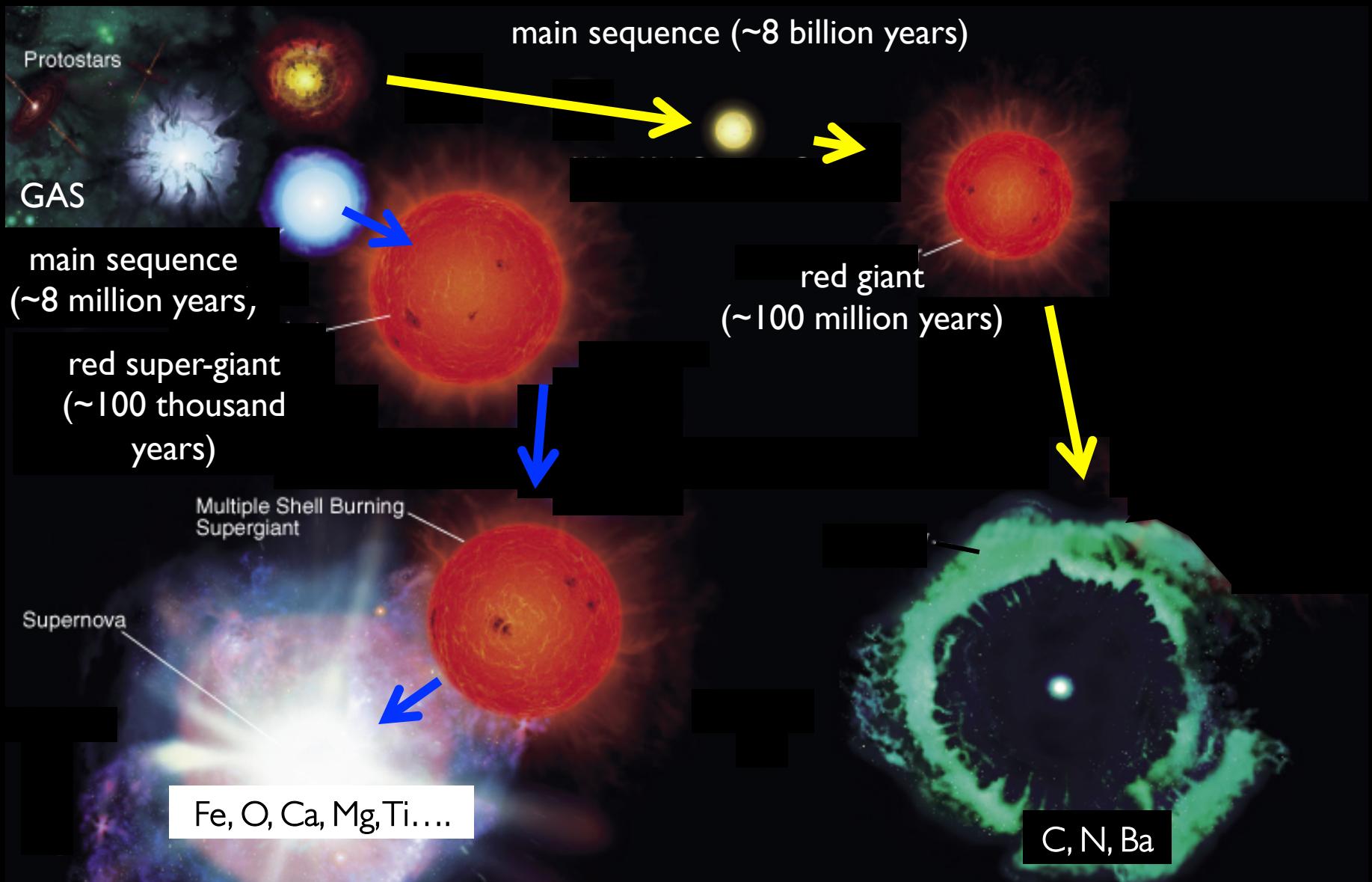
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Planetary nebula (100 thousand years)

Nucleosynthesis

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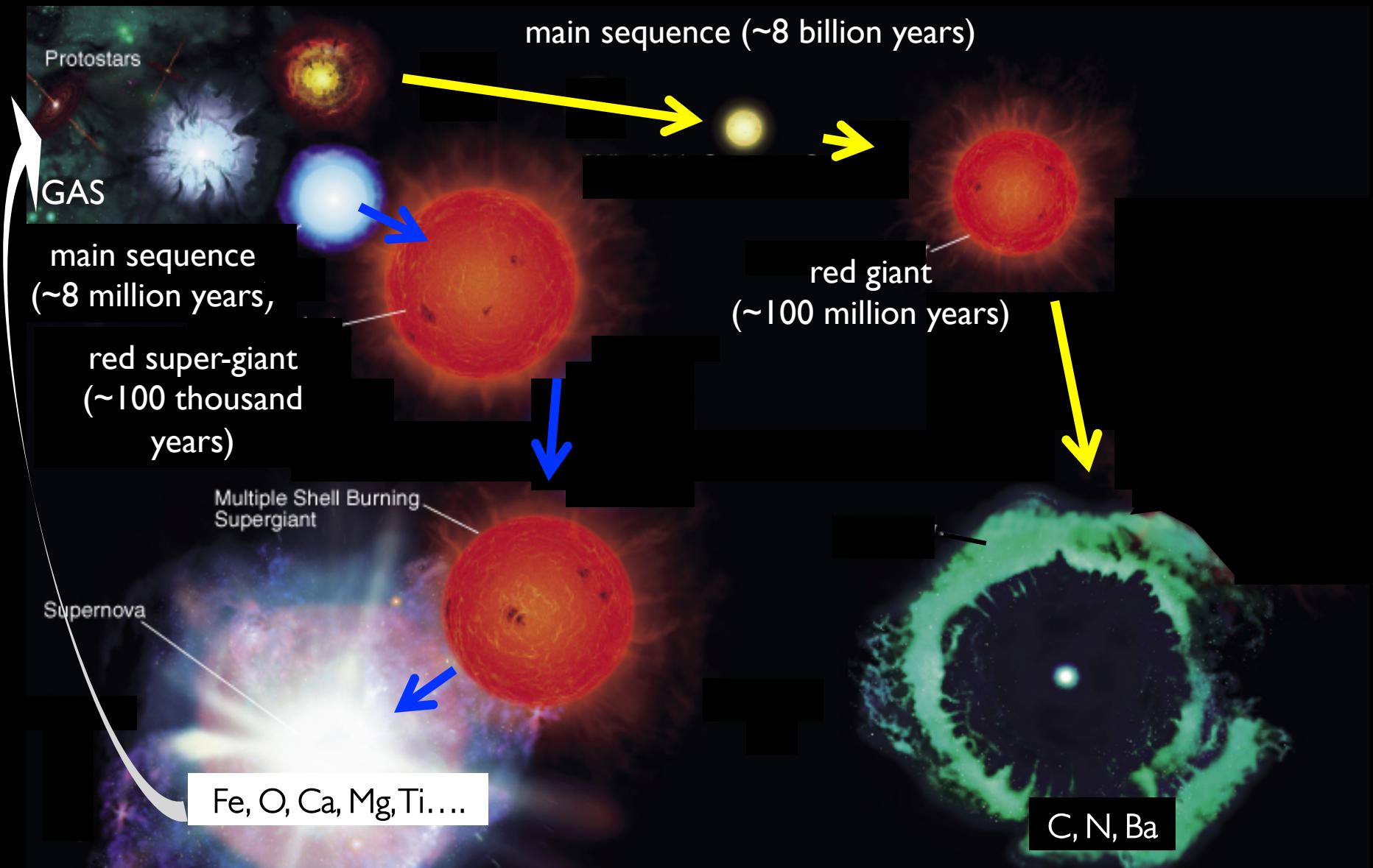


HIGH MASS STAR (20 x Sun)

Planetary nebula (100 thousand years)

Nucleosynthesis

LOW MASS STAR (the Sun)



HIGH MASS STAR (20 x Sun)

Planetary nebula (100 thousand years)

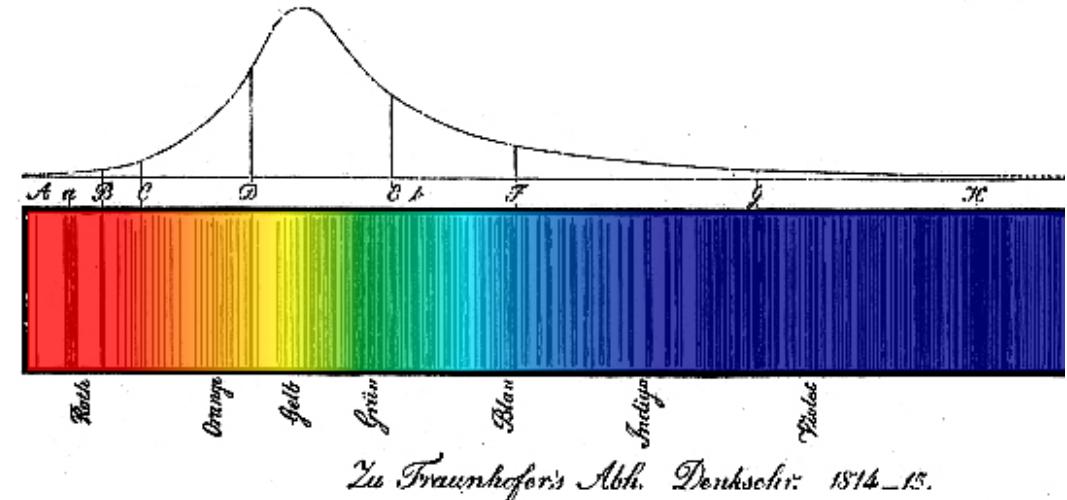
A spectrum...



Kirchhoff



Fraunhofer

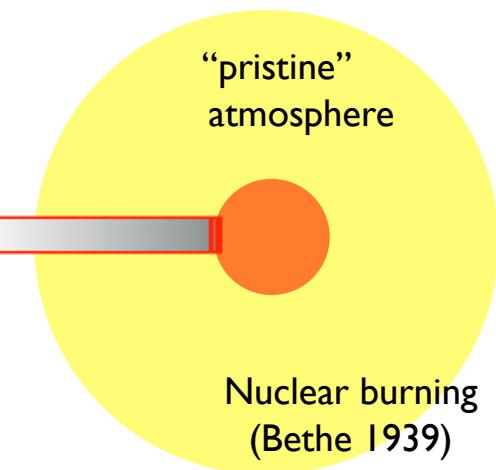
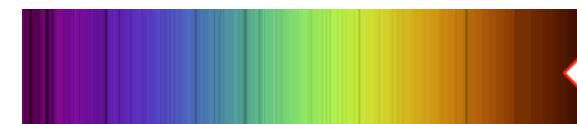
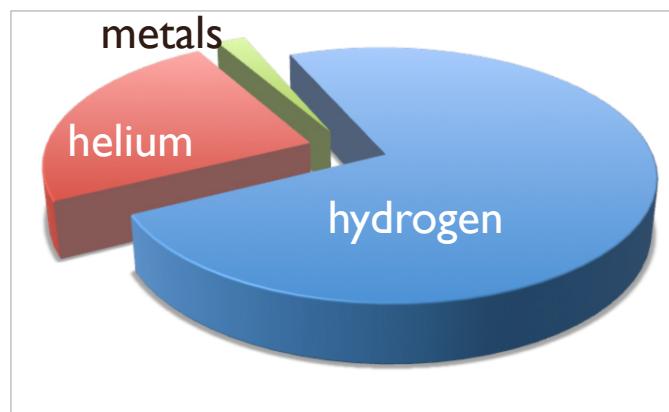


Zu Fraunhofer's Abb. Denkschr. 1814-15.

- Fraunhofer (1817) absorption lines in the solar spectrum.
- Kirchhoff (1859) every chemical element has its own spectral lines (a DNA fingerprint).
- Payne[-Gaposchkin] (1925) stars are mostly Hydrogen and Helium



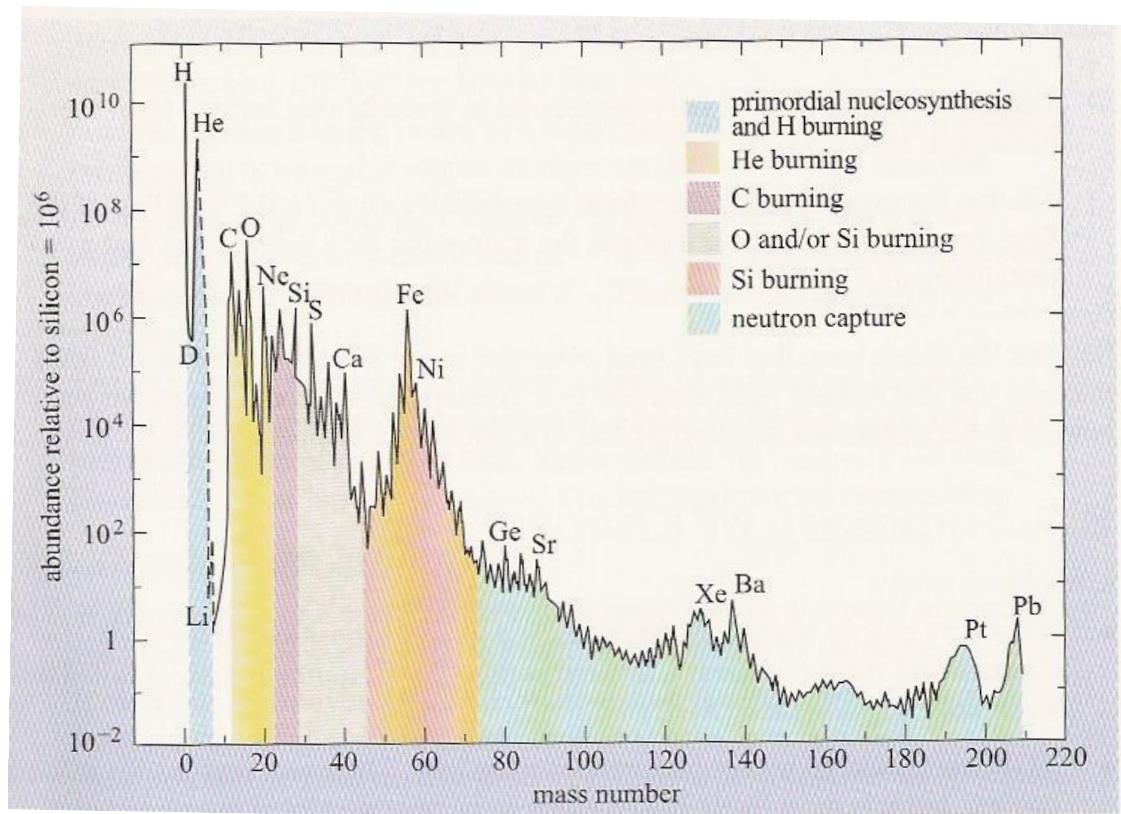
Cecilia Payne-Gaposchkin



- nucleosynthesis, Burbidge, Burbidge, Fowler & Hoyle (1957)

We are all made of stardust....

All elements in the Universe heavier than He & Li are formed within stars: NUCLEOSYNTHESIS

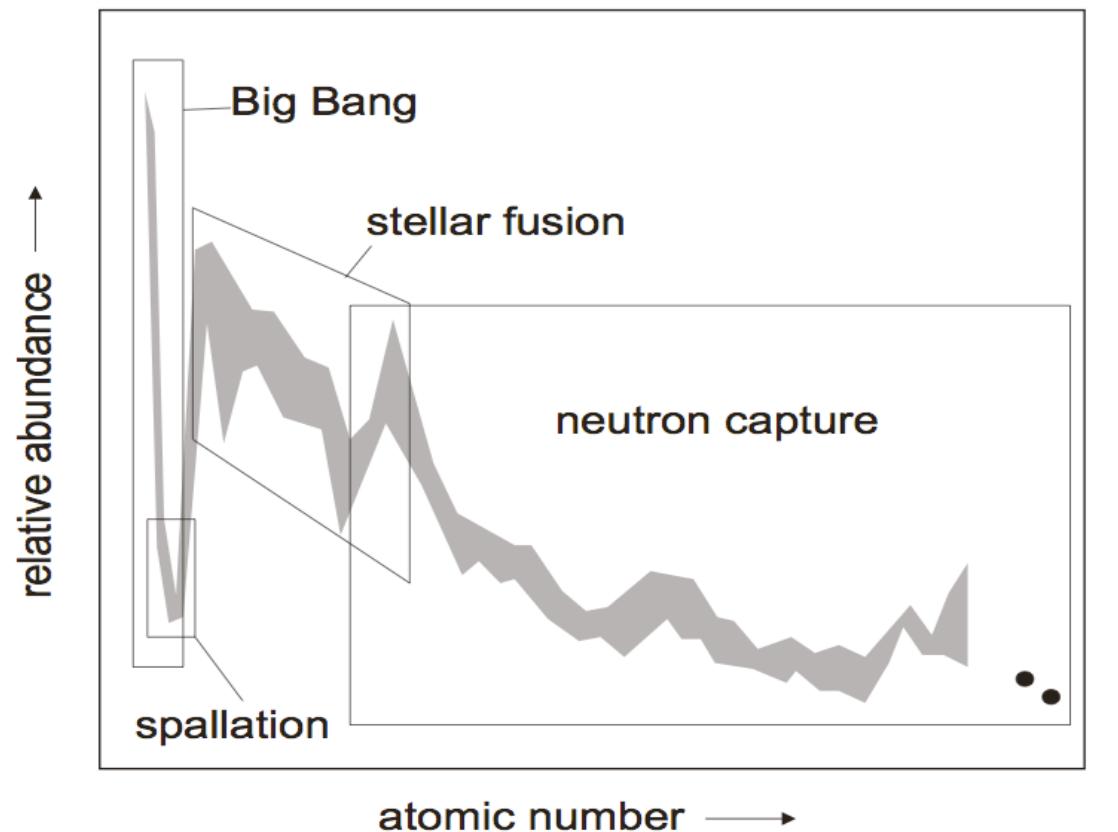


Burbidge, Burbidge, Fowler & Hoyle 1957

These are the abundances in the gas out of which our Sun and our Solar System was formed about 4Gyr ago; other stars formed at other times will be different: CHEMICAL TAGGING

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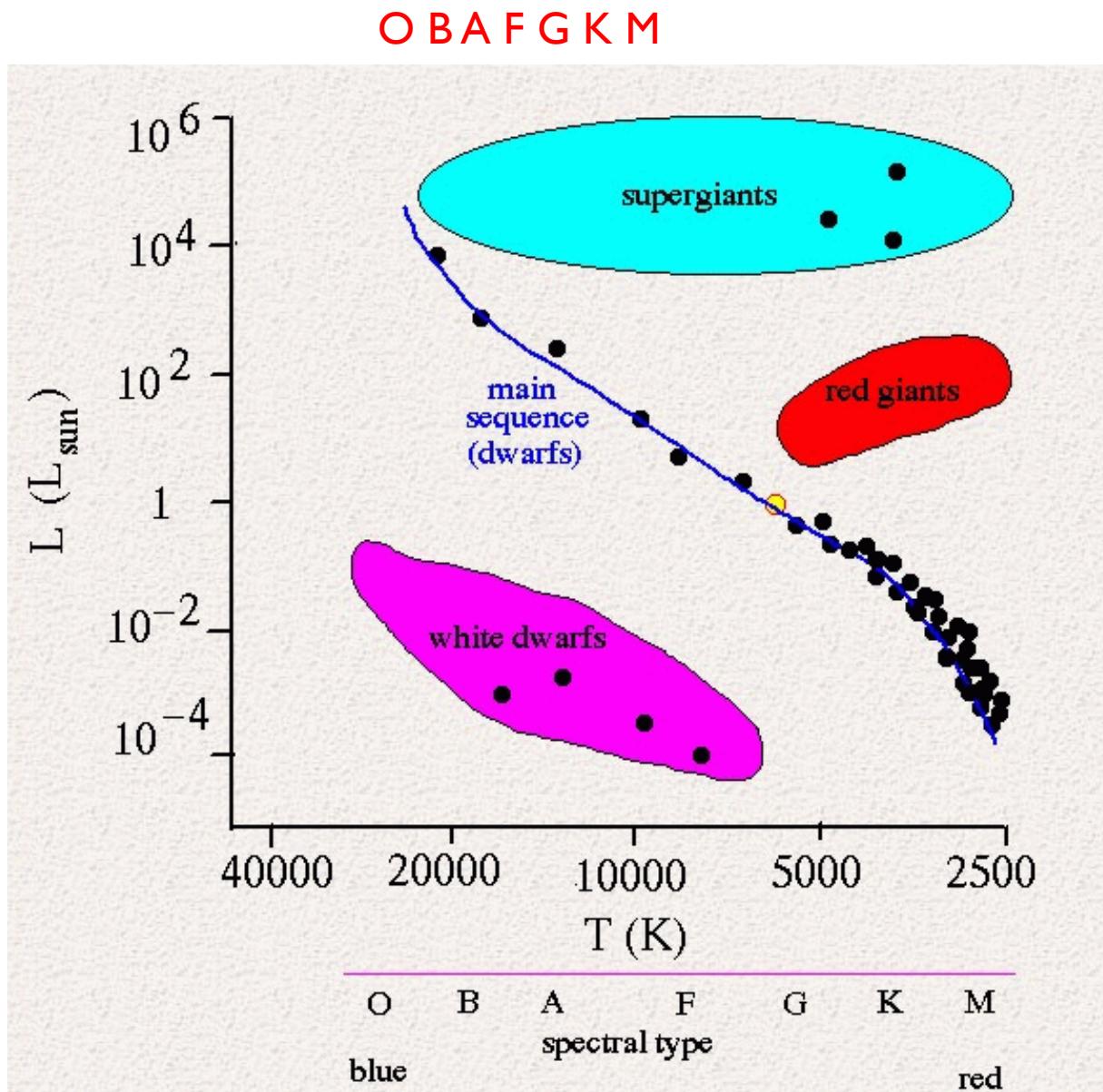
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Chemical Tagging

- Light Elements – e.g., O Na Mg Al
tracers of deep mixing abundances patterns
(globular clusters versus field stars)
- α - Elements – e.g., O Mg Si Ca Ti
dominated by products of Supernovae II
- Iron-peak Elements e.g., V Cr Mn Co Ni Cu Zn
explosive nucleosynthesis (supernovae I)
- Heavy Elements ($Z > 30$)
mix of r- and s- process elements
e.g., s-process e.g., Ba, La (low mass stellar winds)
r-process e.g., Eu (supernovae?)

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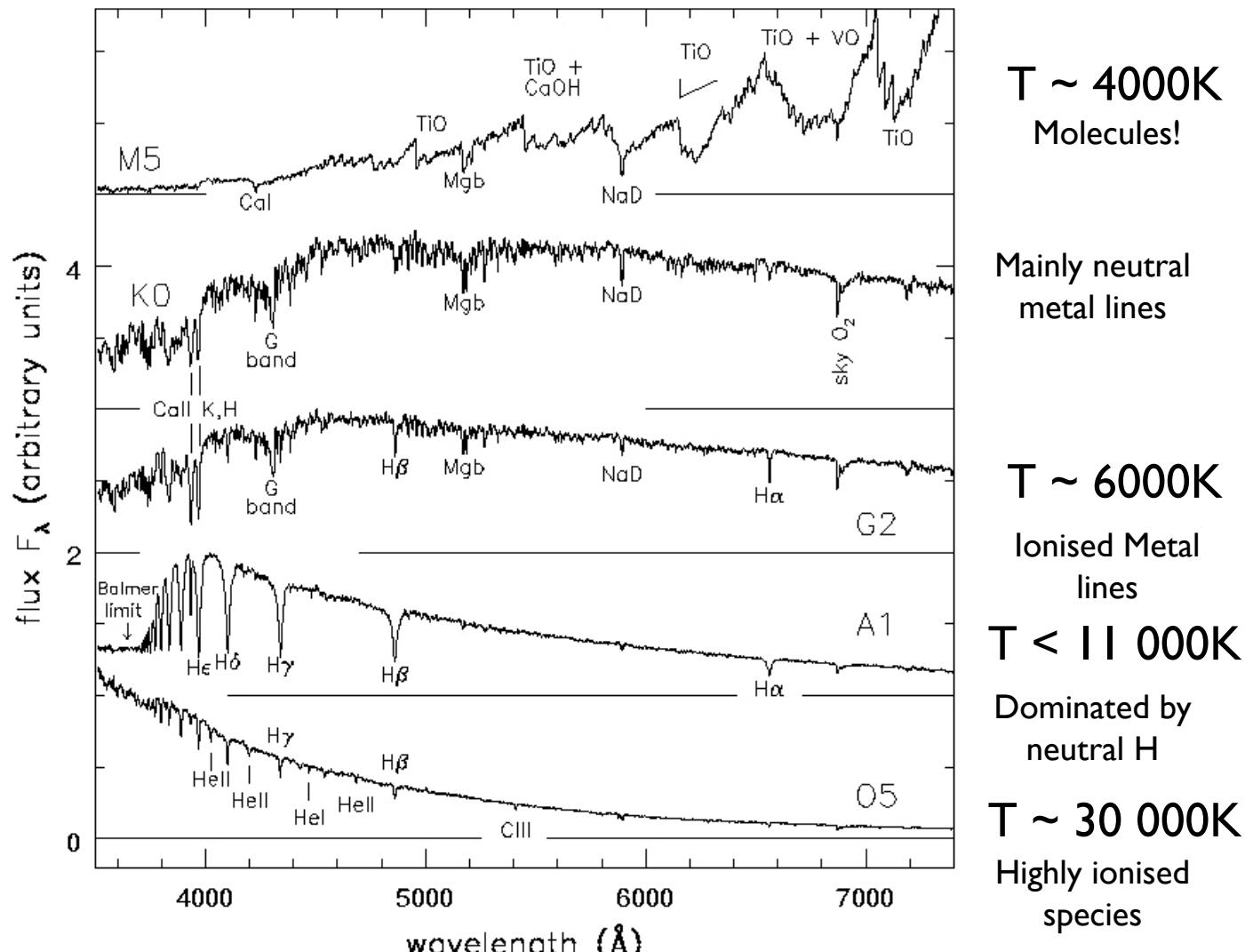


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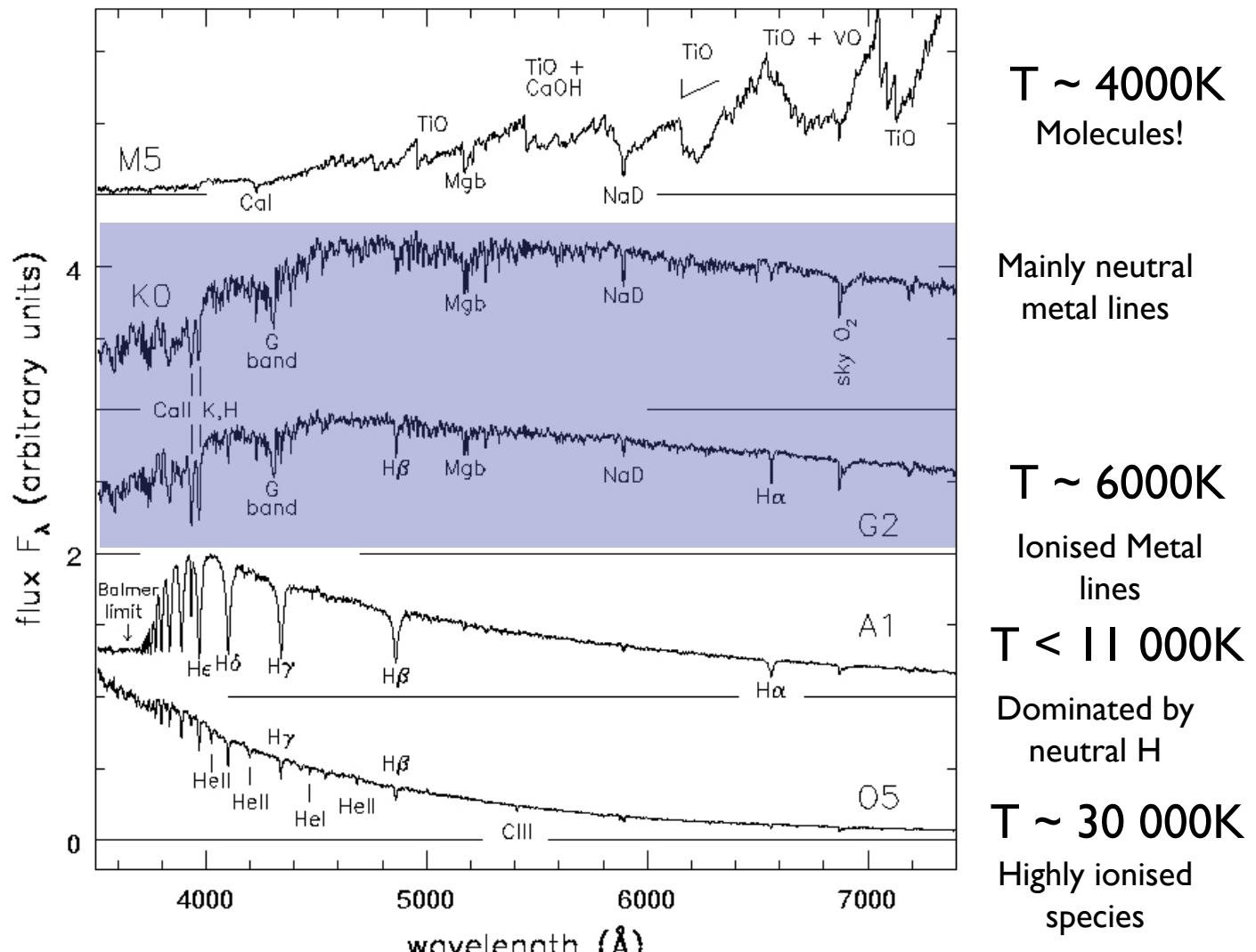


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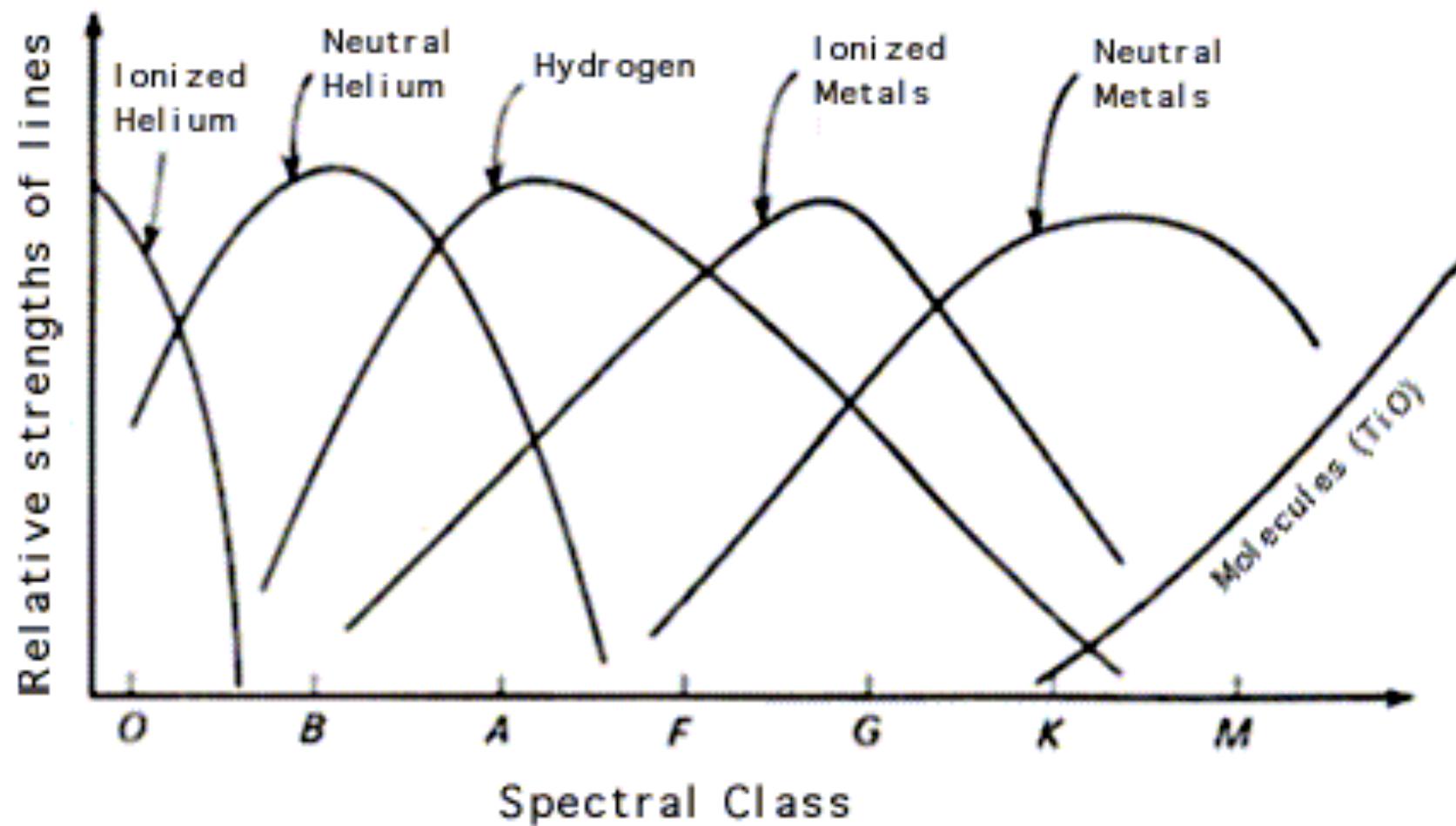
Mainly neutral metal lines

$T \sim 6000\text{K}$
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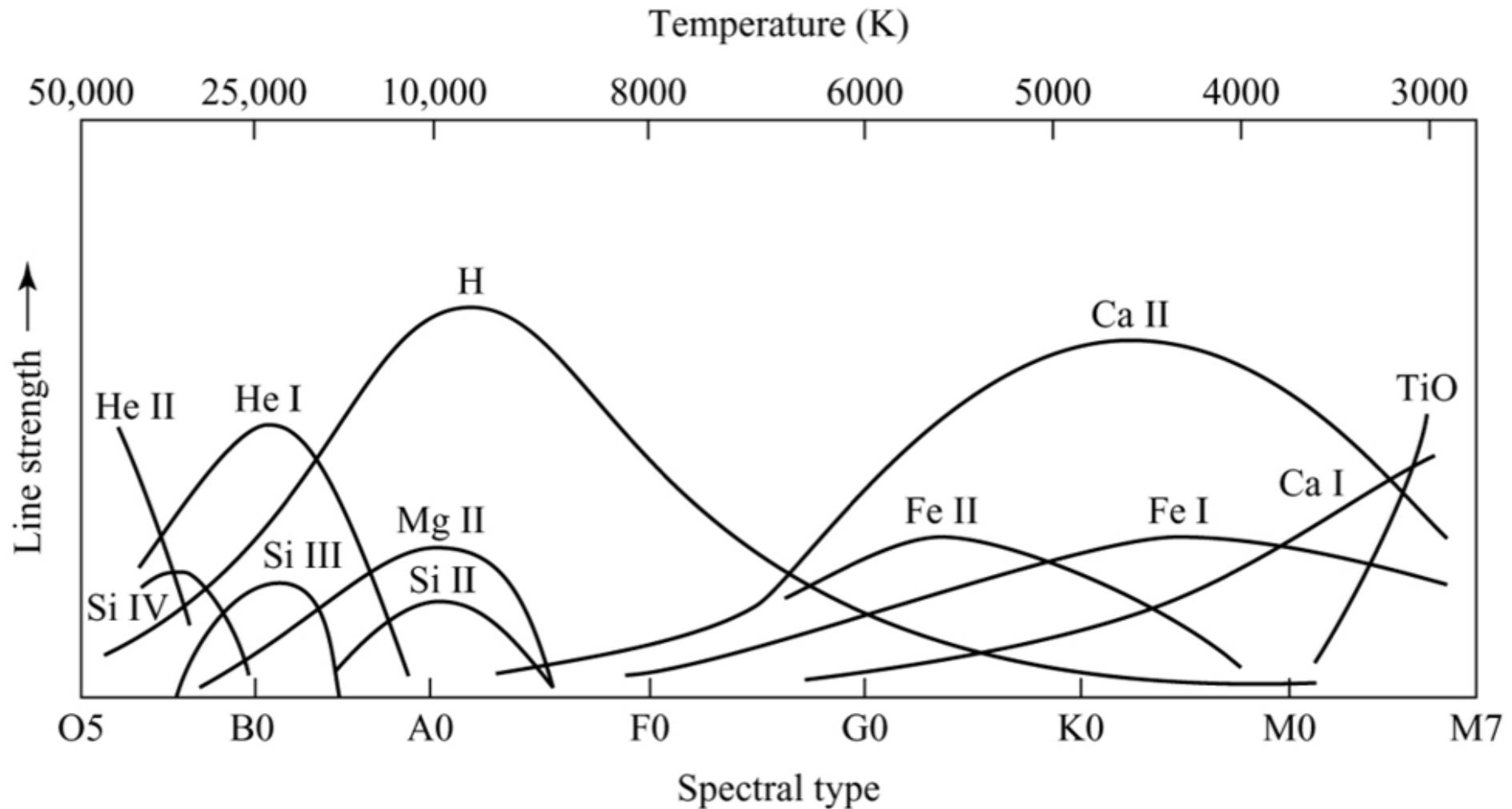
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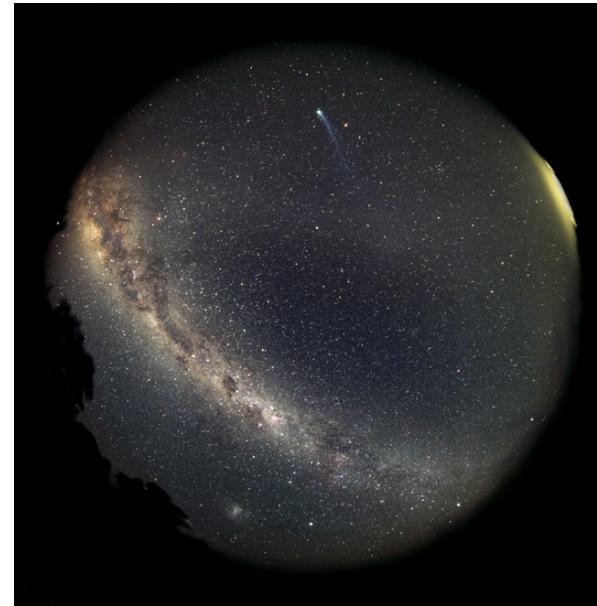
Relative Strength of Spectral Lines



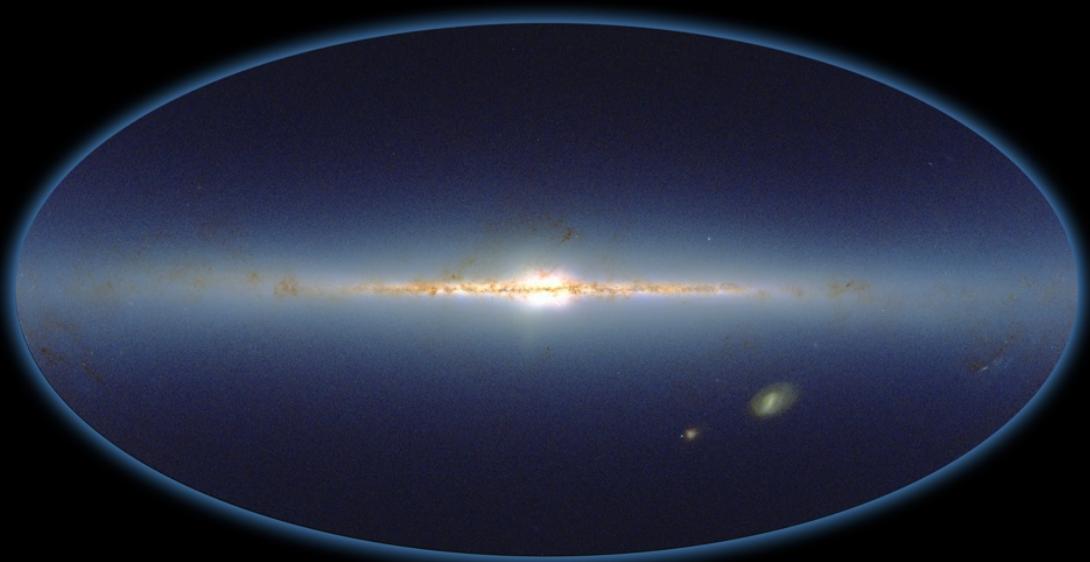
Dominant Features in the Spectra of Stars



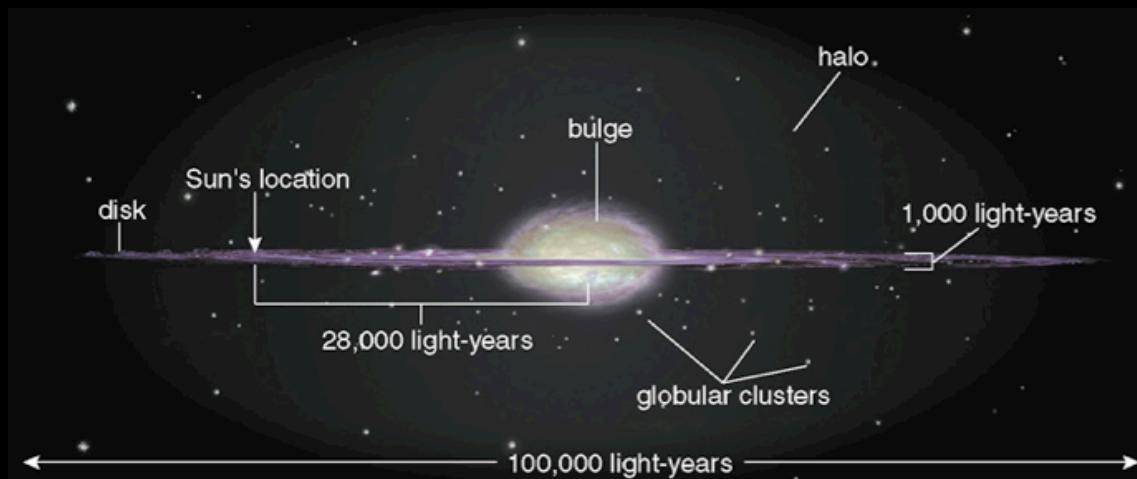
The Milky Way



Properties of Milky Way...



The Two Micron All Sky Survey
Infrared Processing and Analysis Center/Caltech & Univ. of Massachusetts

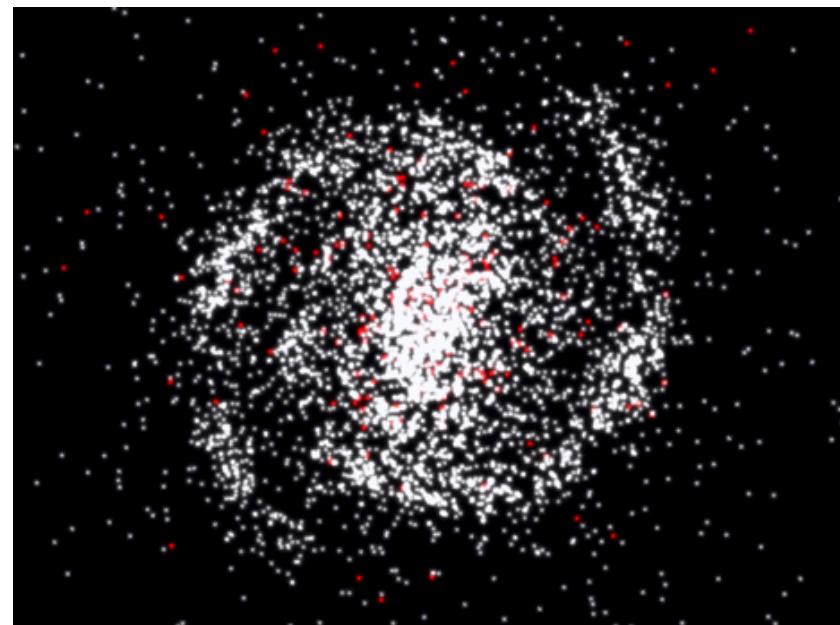
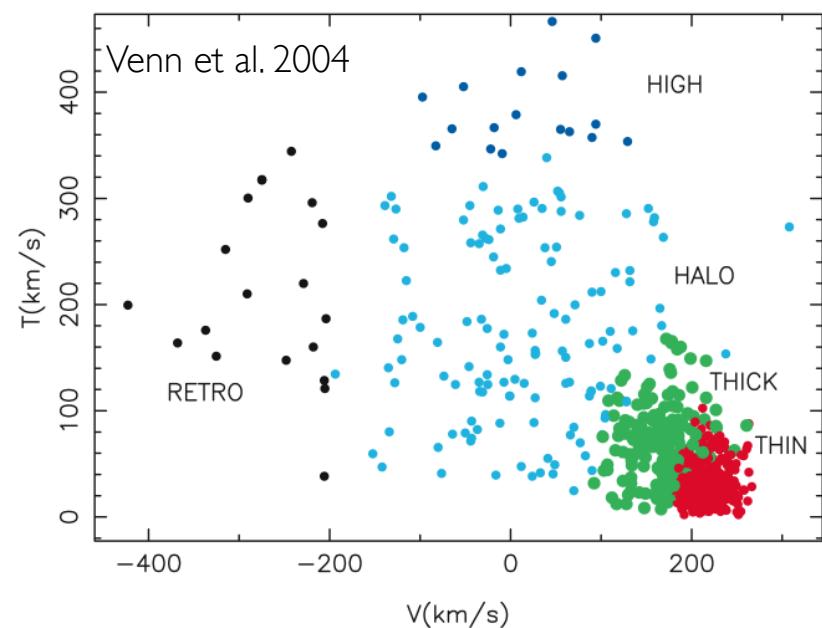
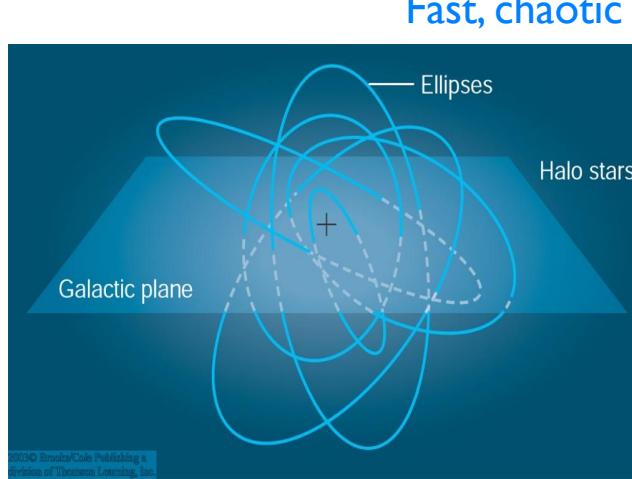


Disentangling the Galaxy

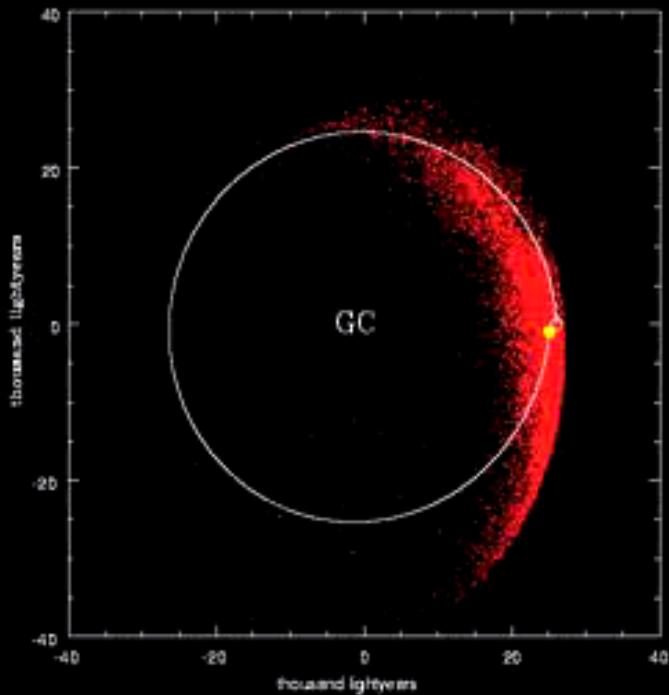
stellar abundances and kinematics are excellent tools for galactic archaeology.



Eggen, Lynden-Bell & Sandage



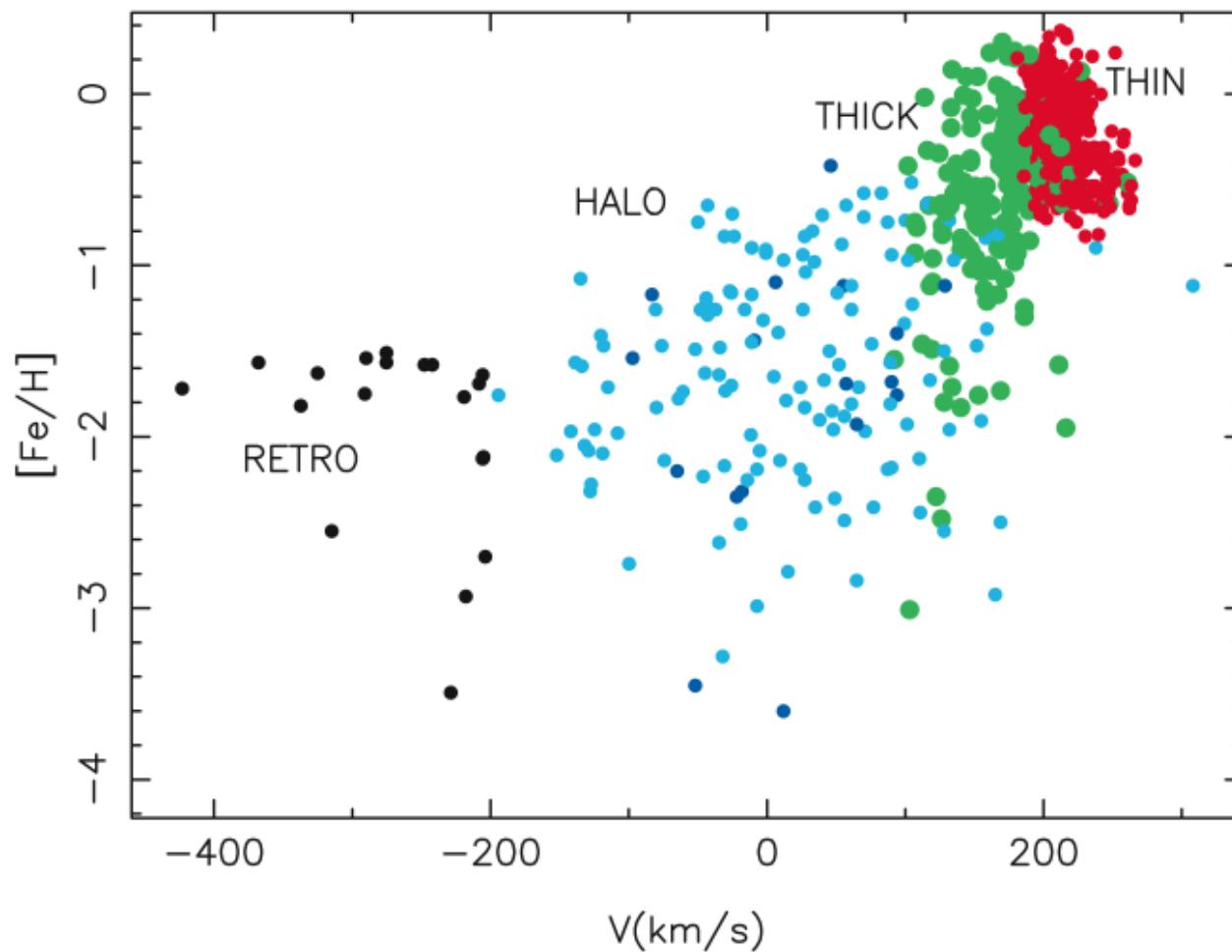
Copenhagen-Geneva Survey of stars in Solar Neighbourhood



Motions during last 250 million years

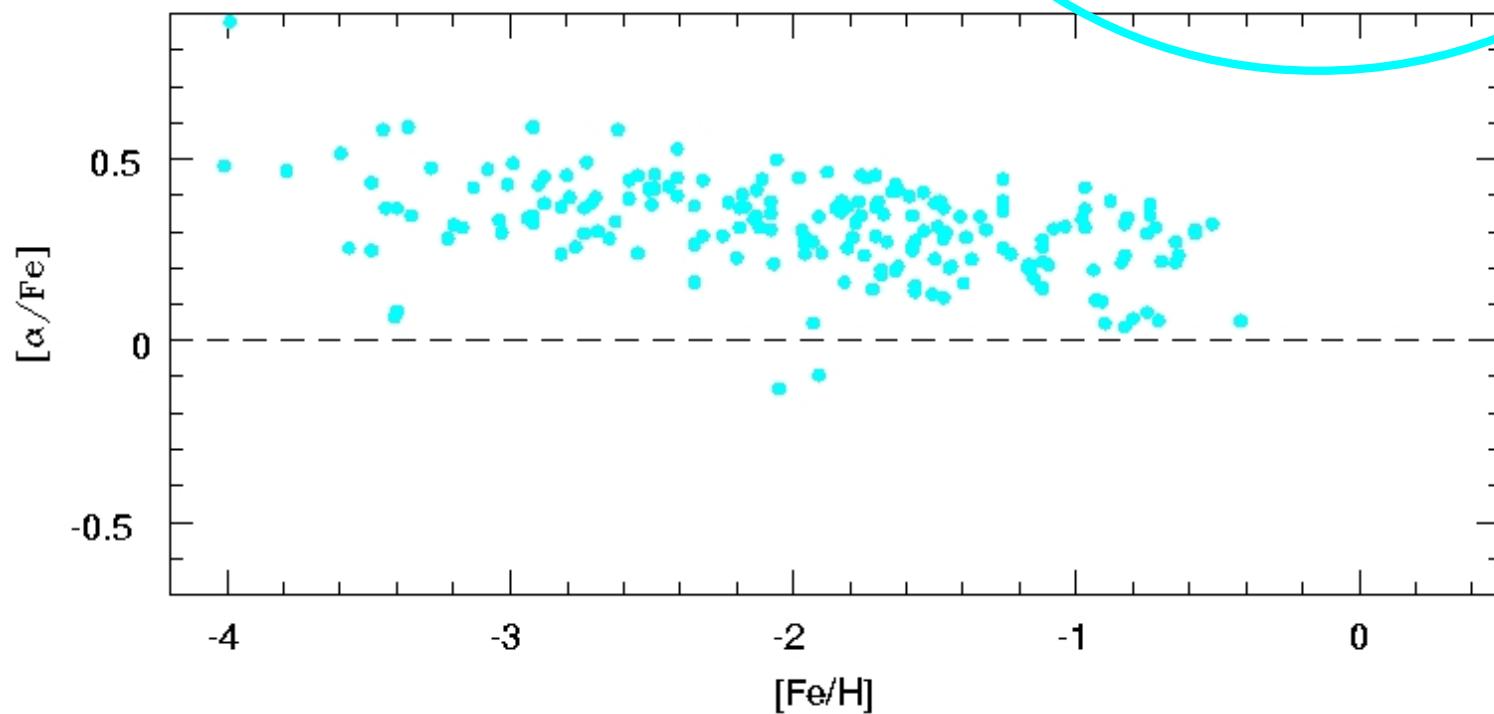
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Properties of different components



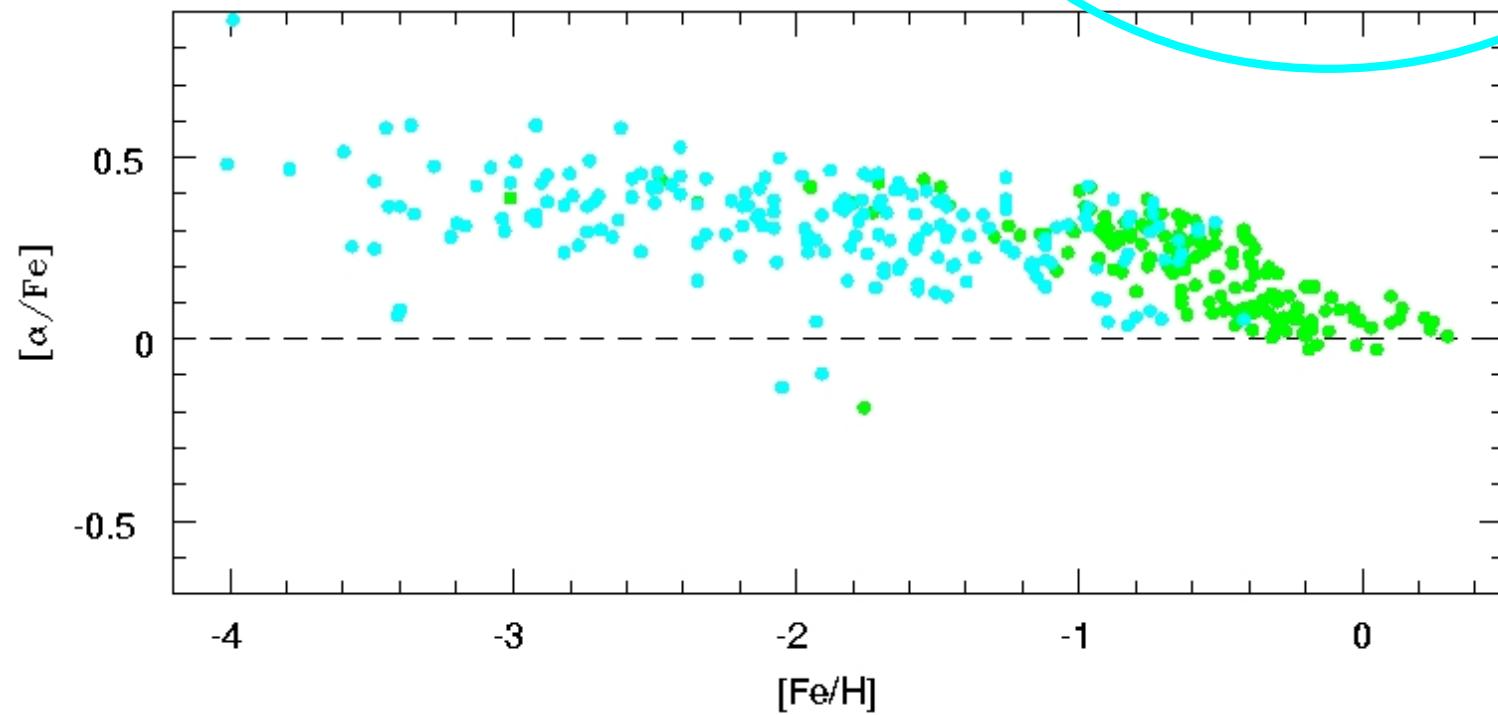
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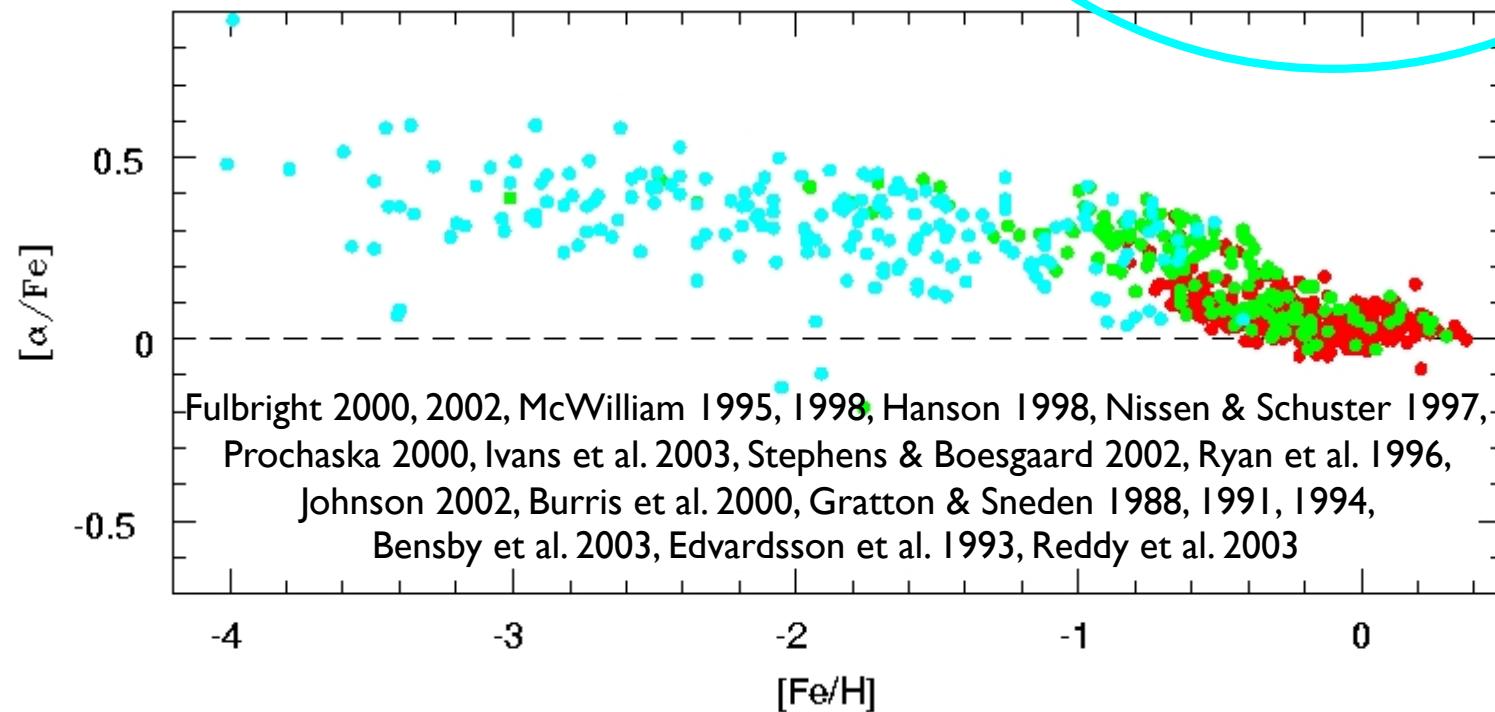
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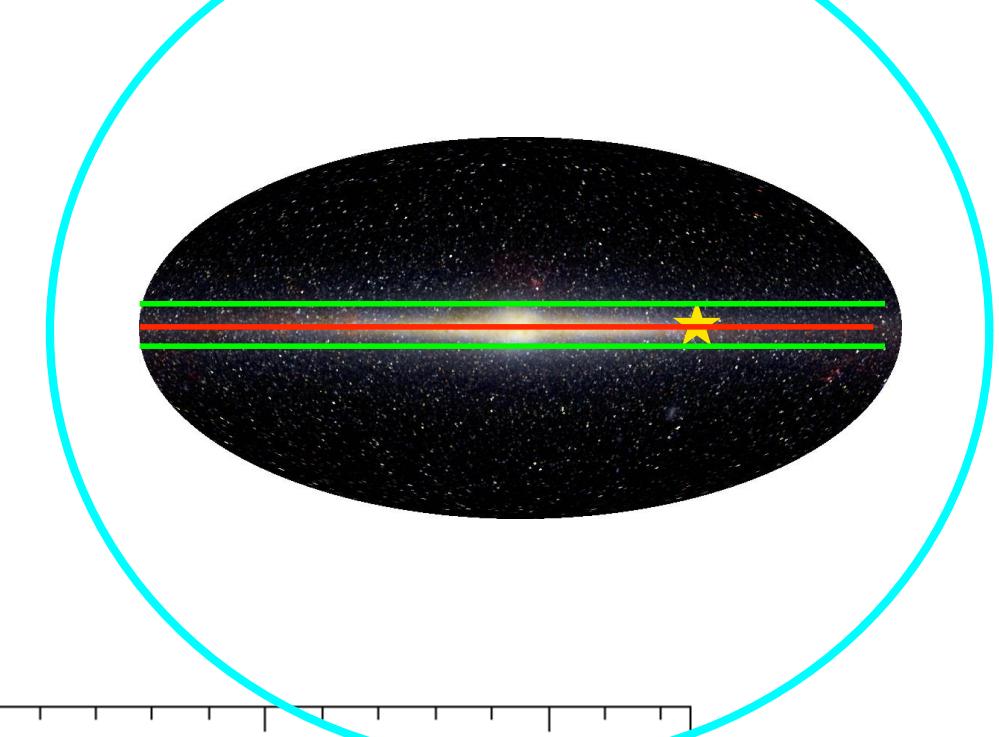


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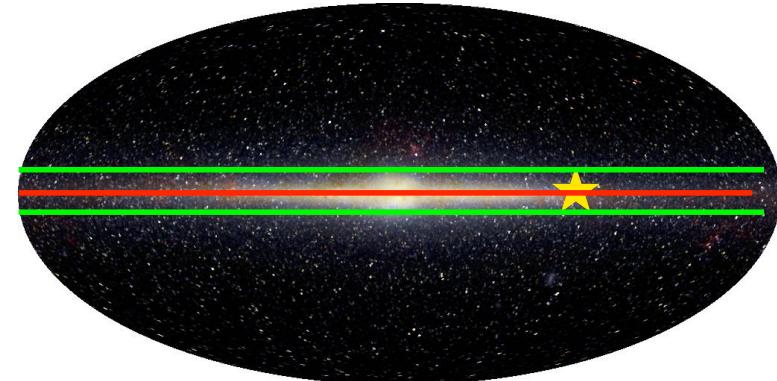
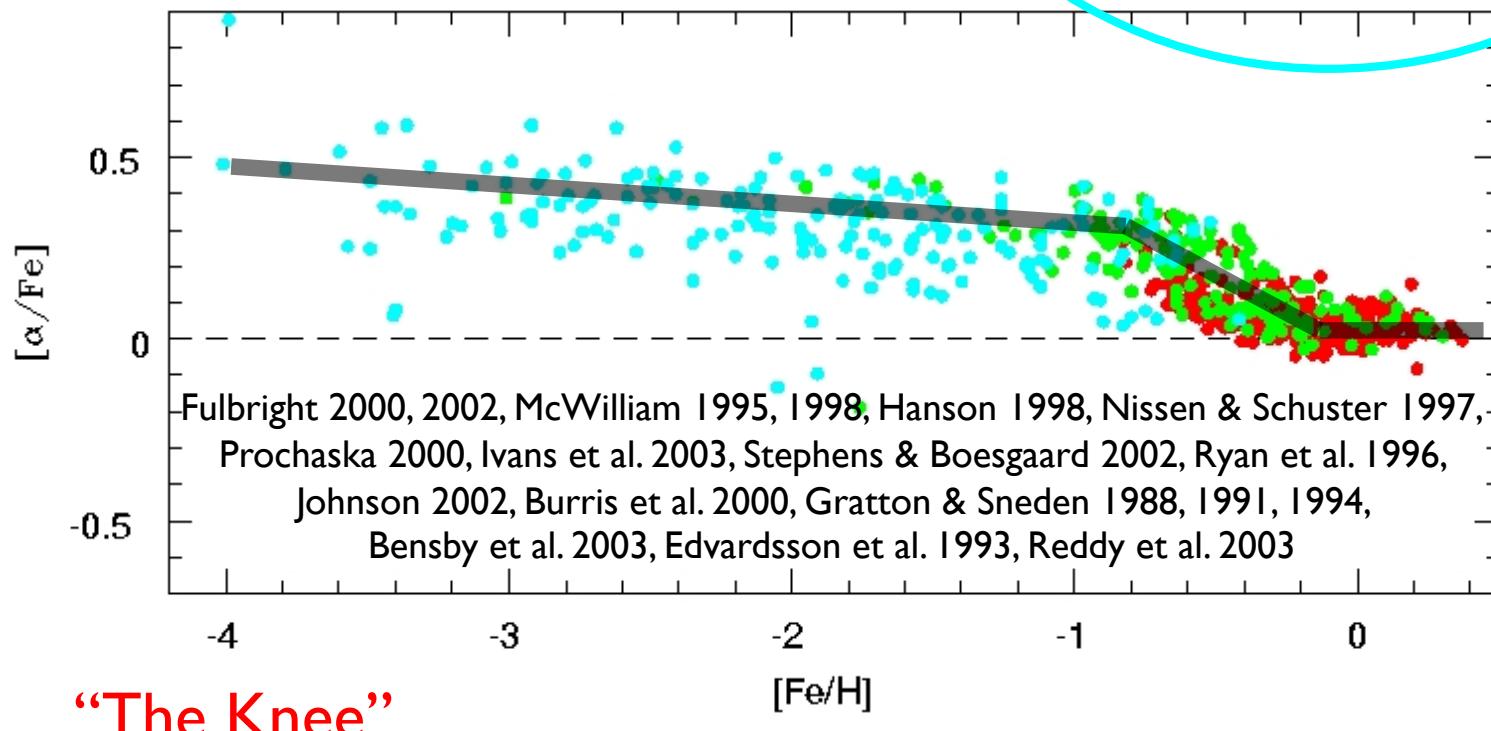
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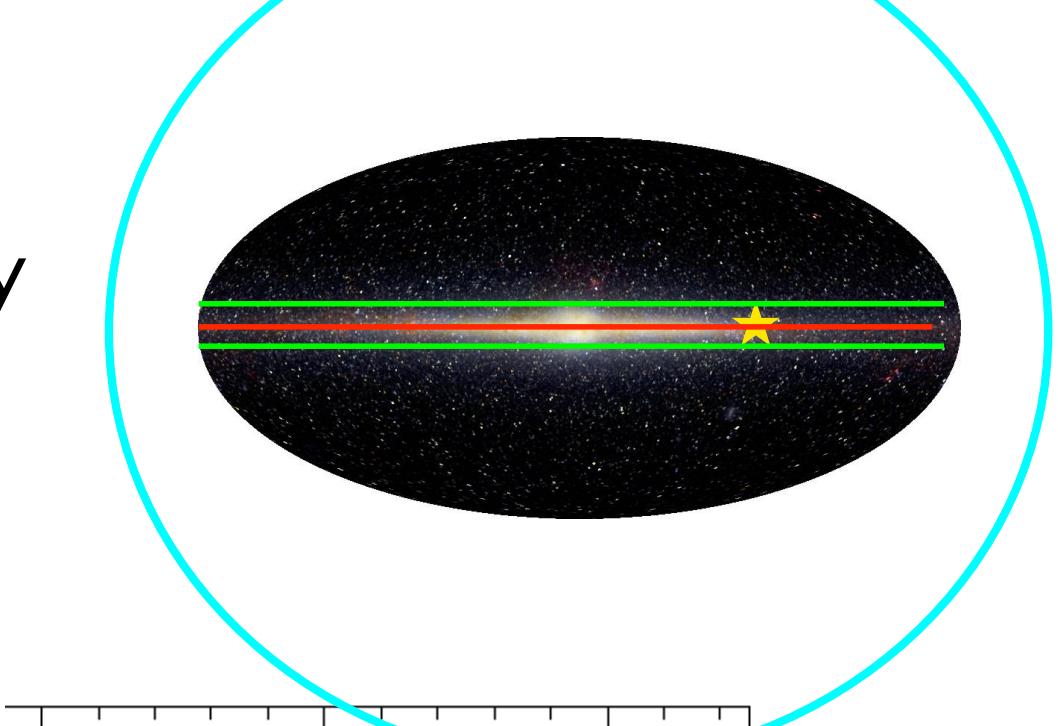
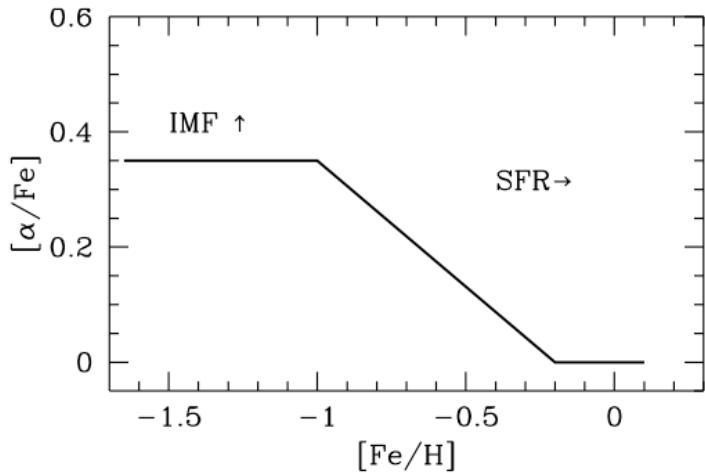
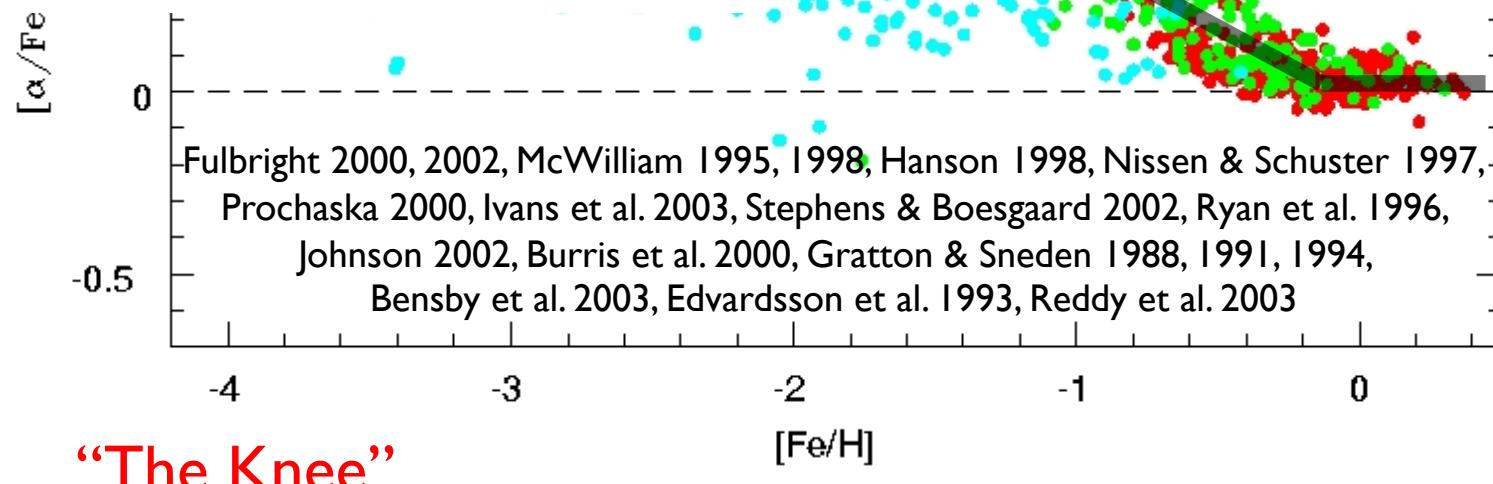
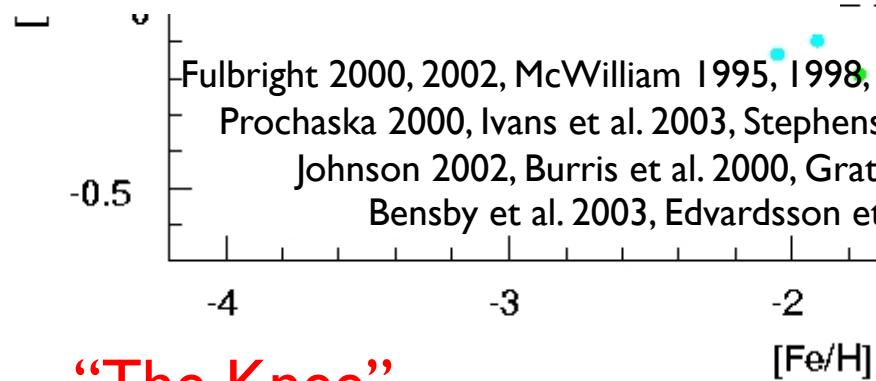
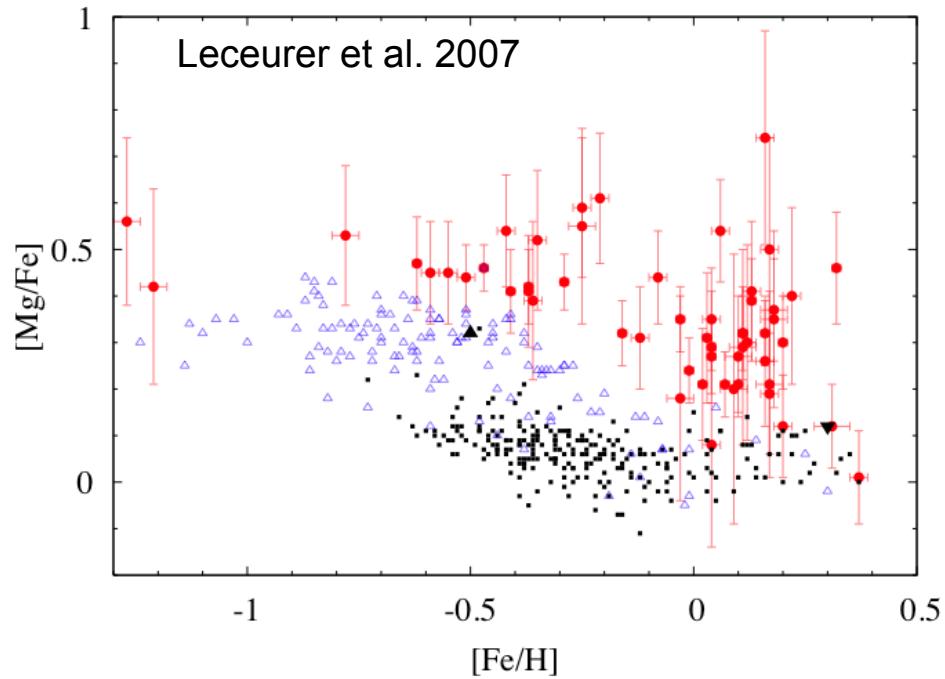


Figure 1 A schematic diagram of the trend of α -element abundance with metallicity. Increased initial mass function and star formation rate affect the trend in the directions indicated. The knee in the diagram is thought to be due to the onset of type Ia supernovae (SN Ia).

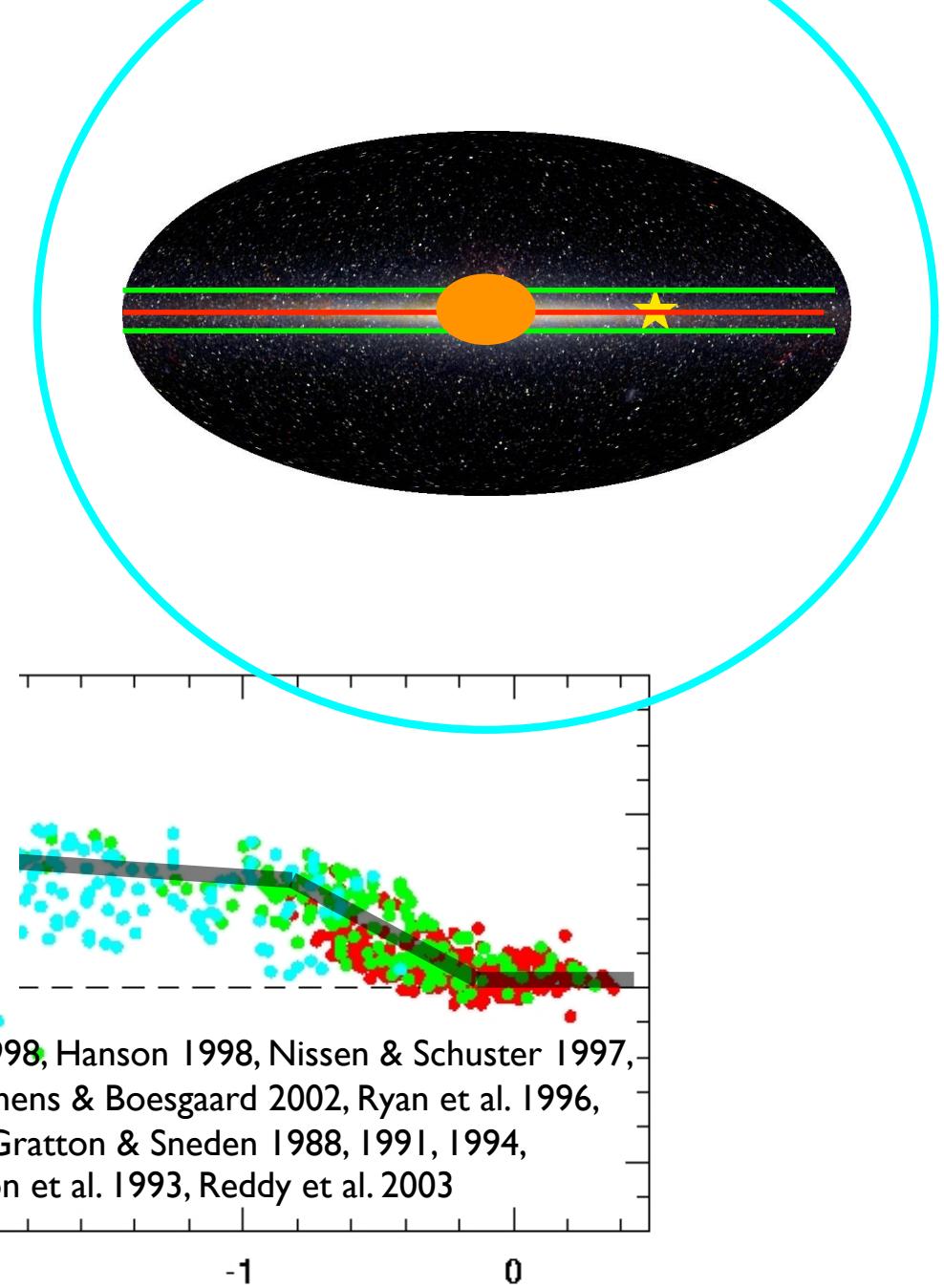


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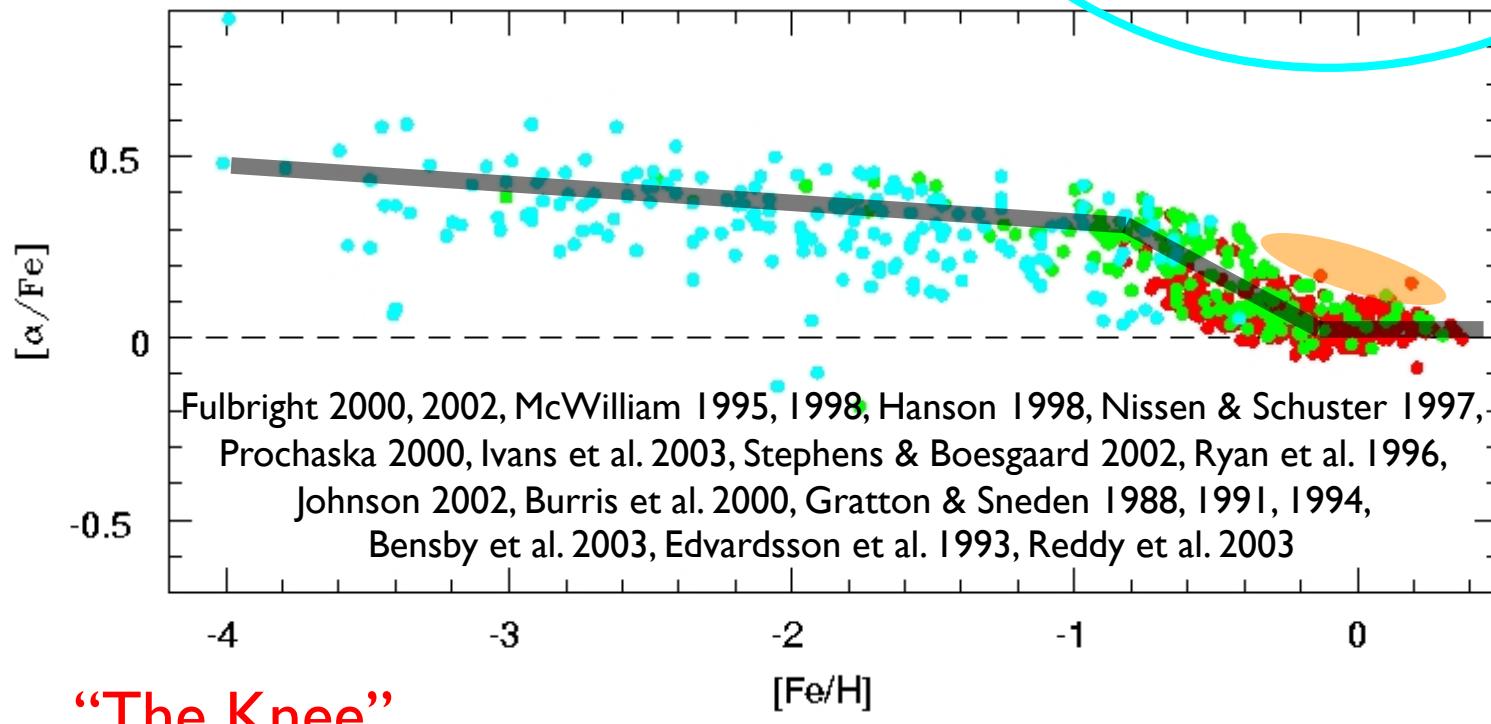
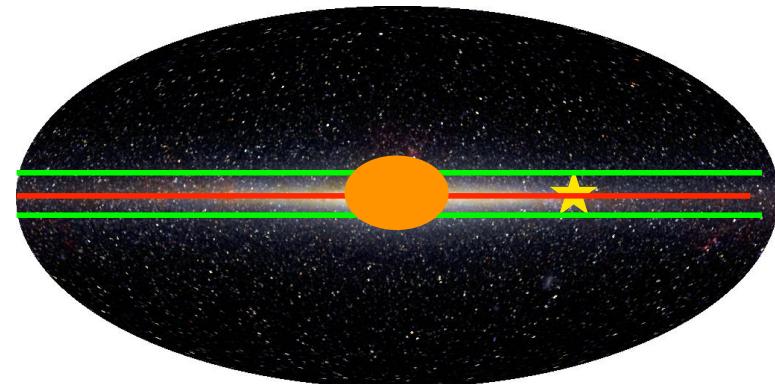


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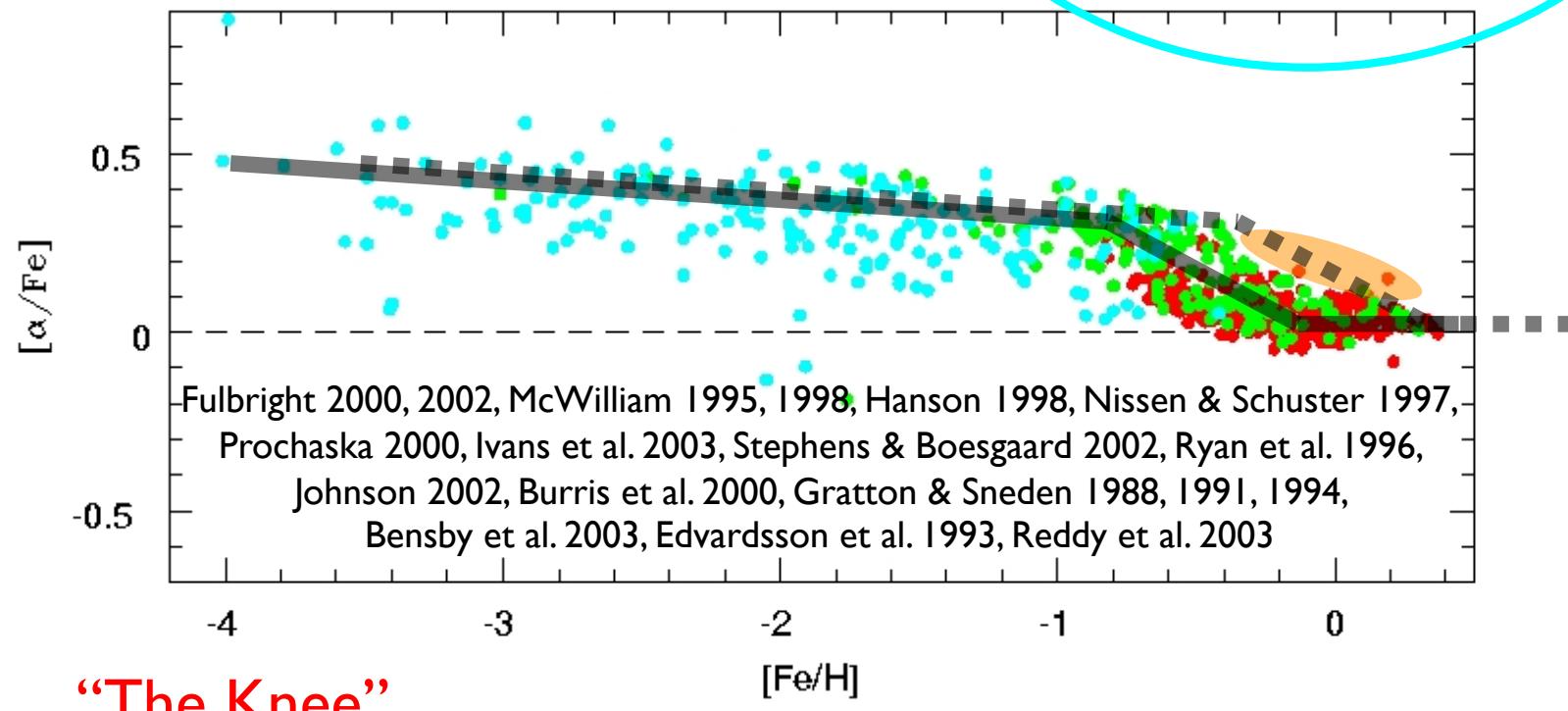
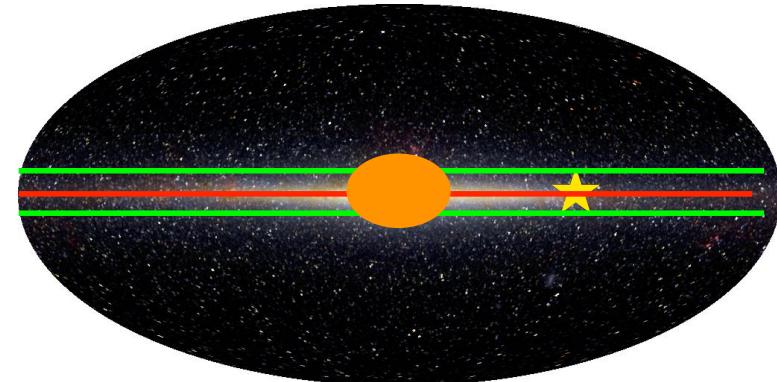
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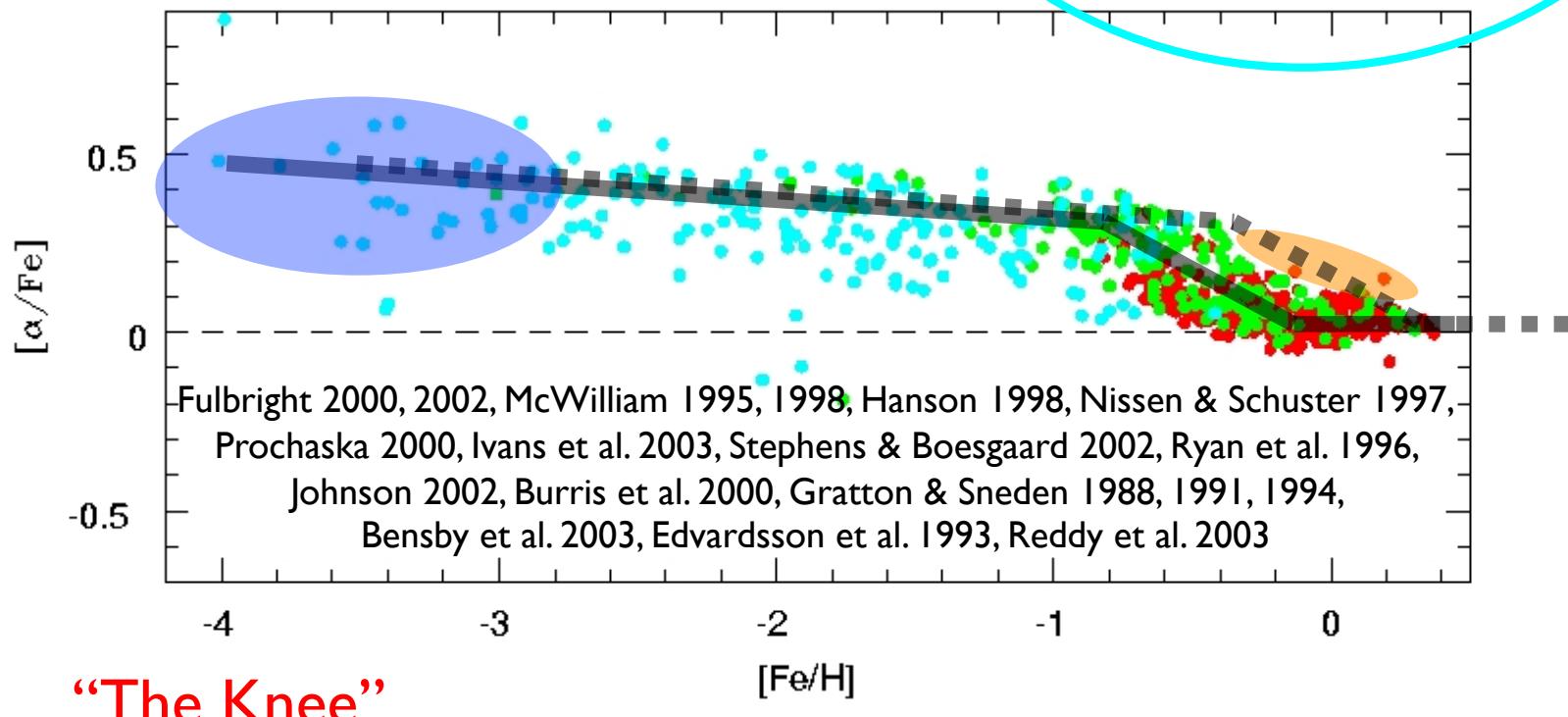
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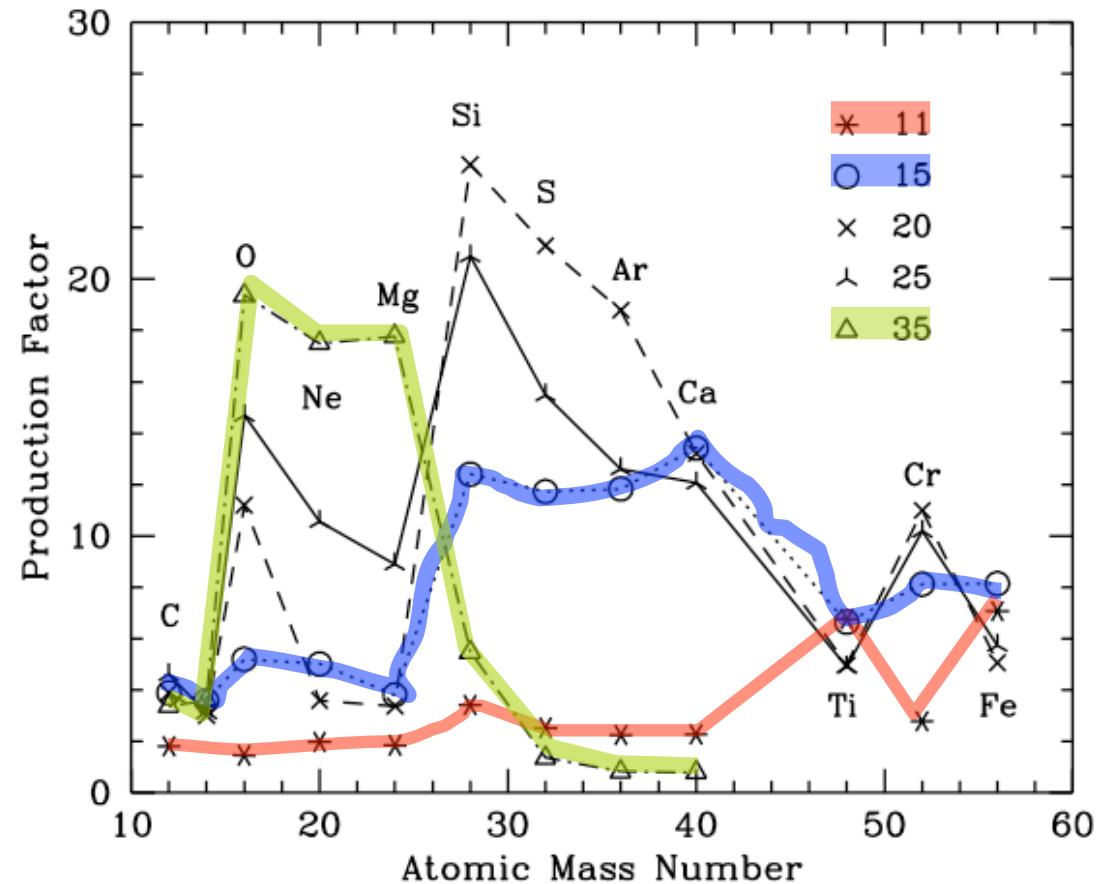
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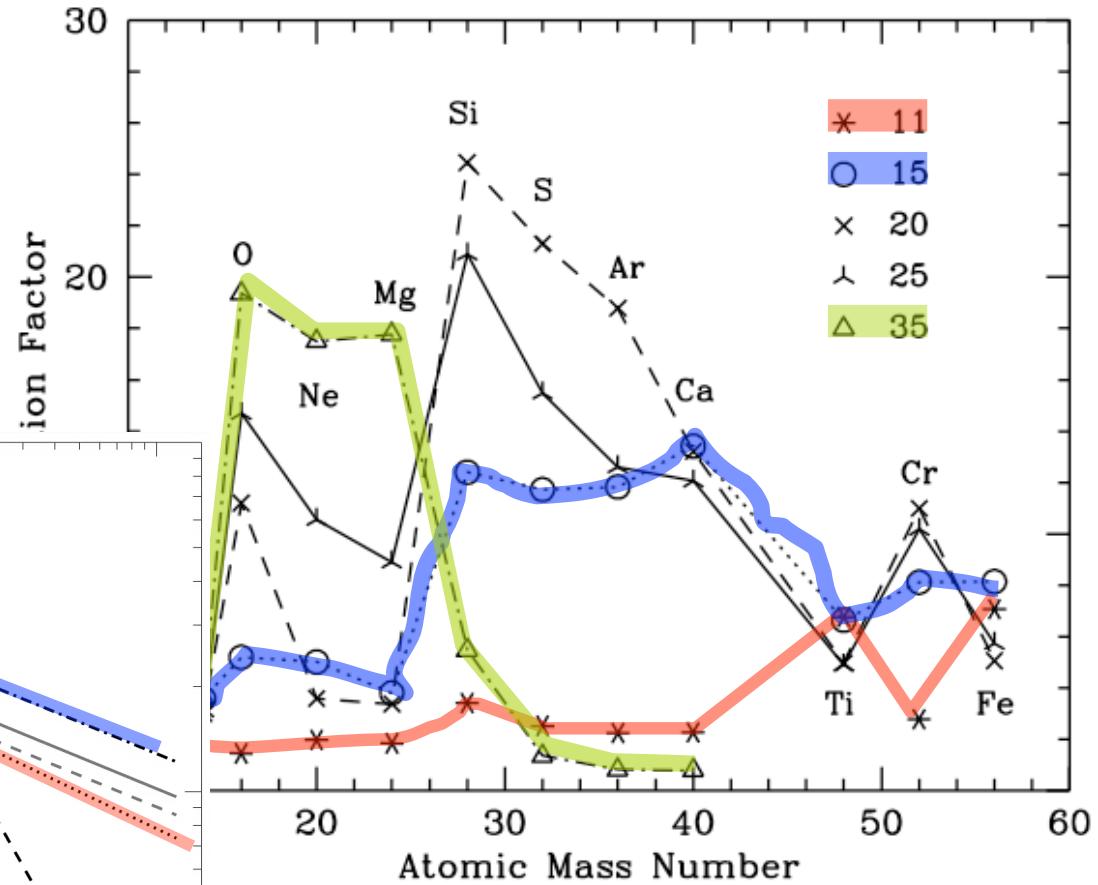
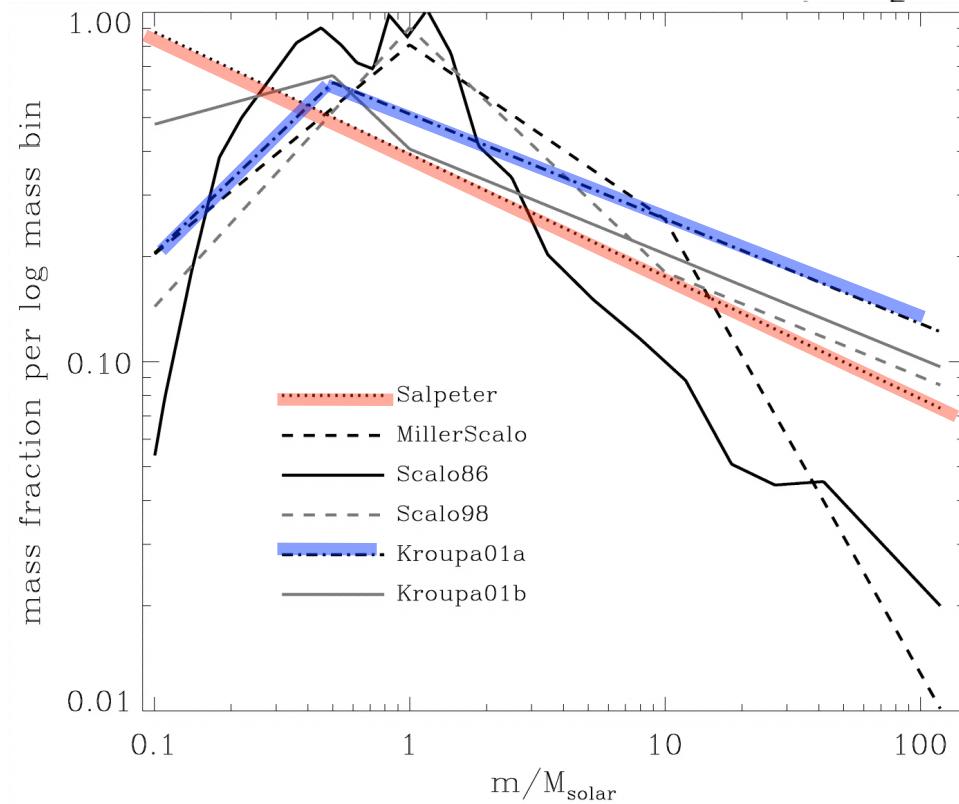
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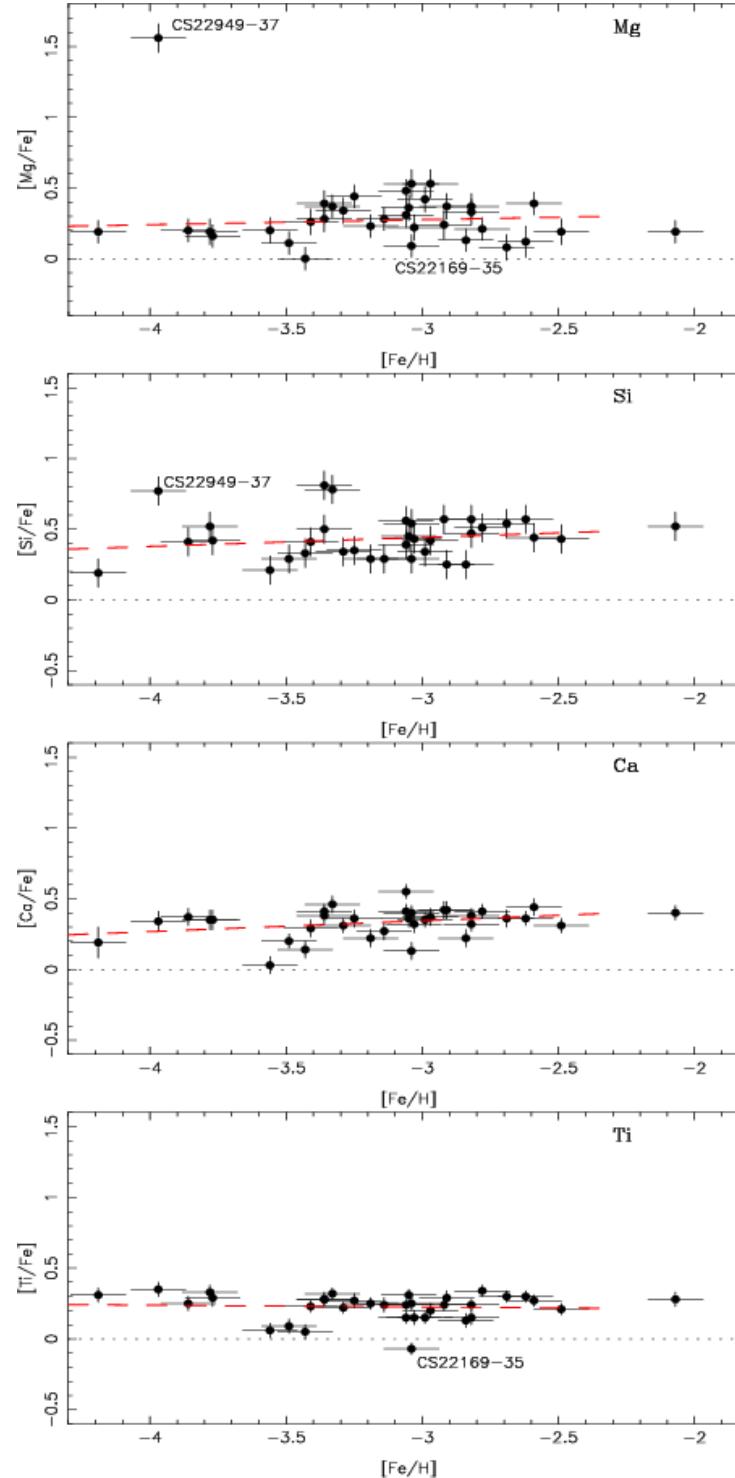
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EMPS in Galactic halo

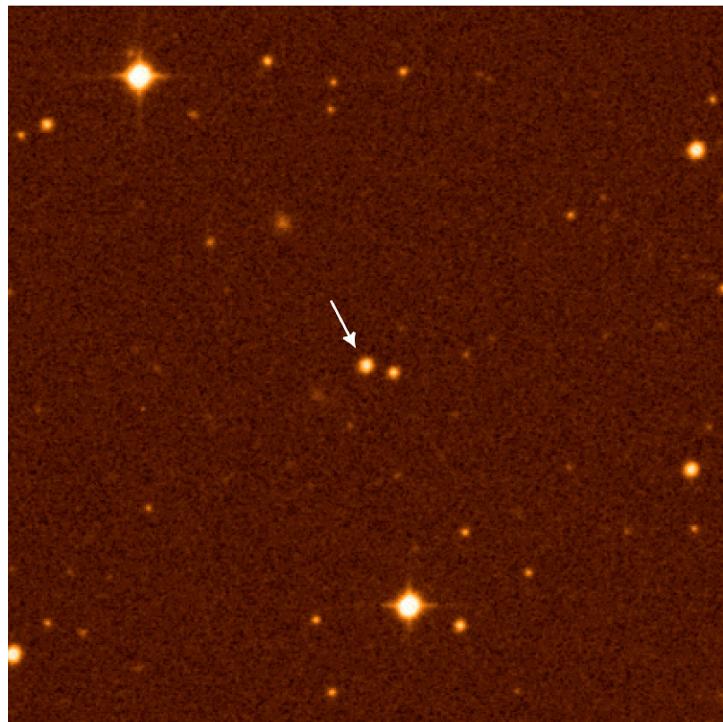
ESO Large Programme:
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30 giants:

$$-4.1 < [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < -2.7$$



The most ancient object we know of?



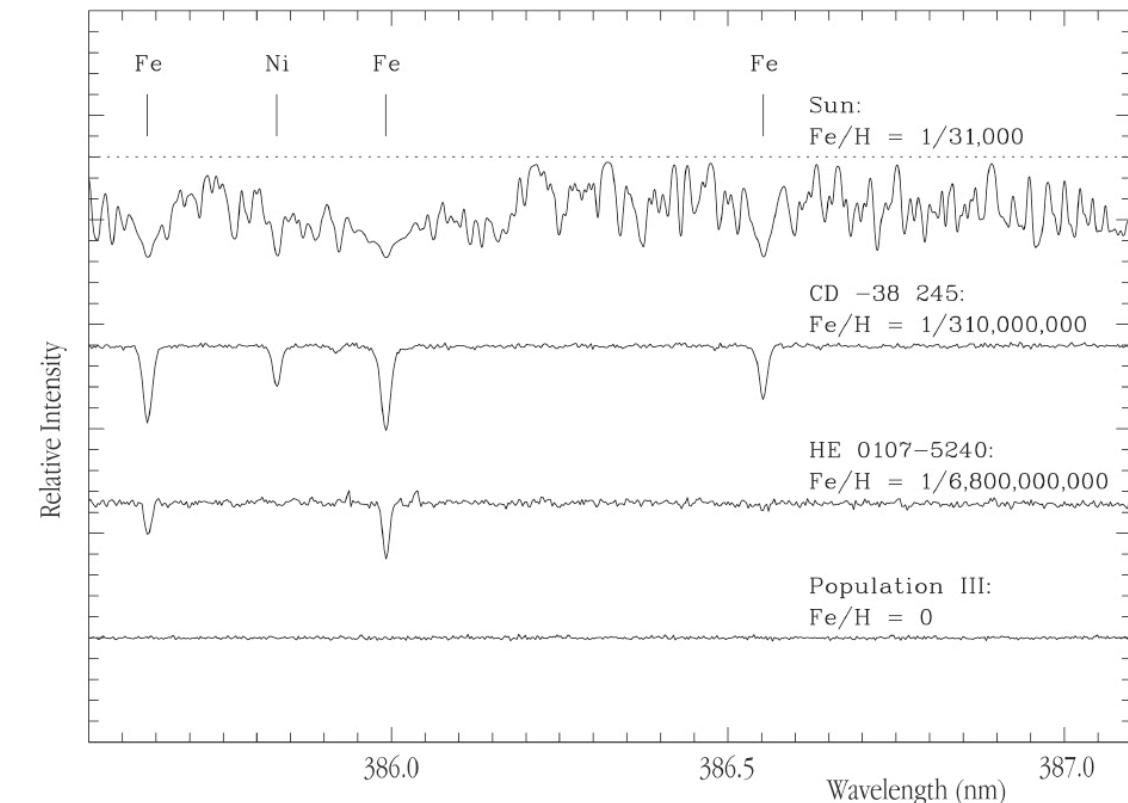
The Very Metal-Deficient Star HE 0107-5240

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$[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -5.4$



Spectra of Stars with Different Metal Content

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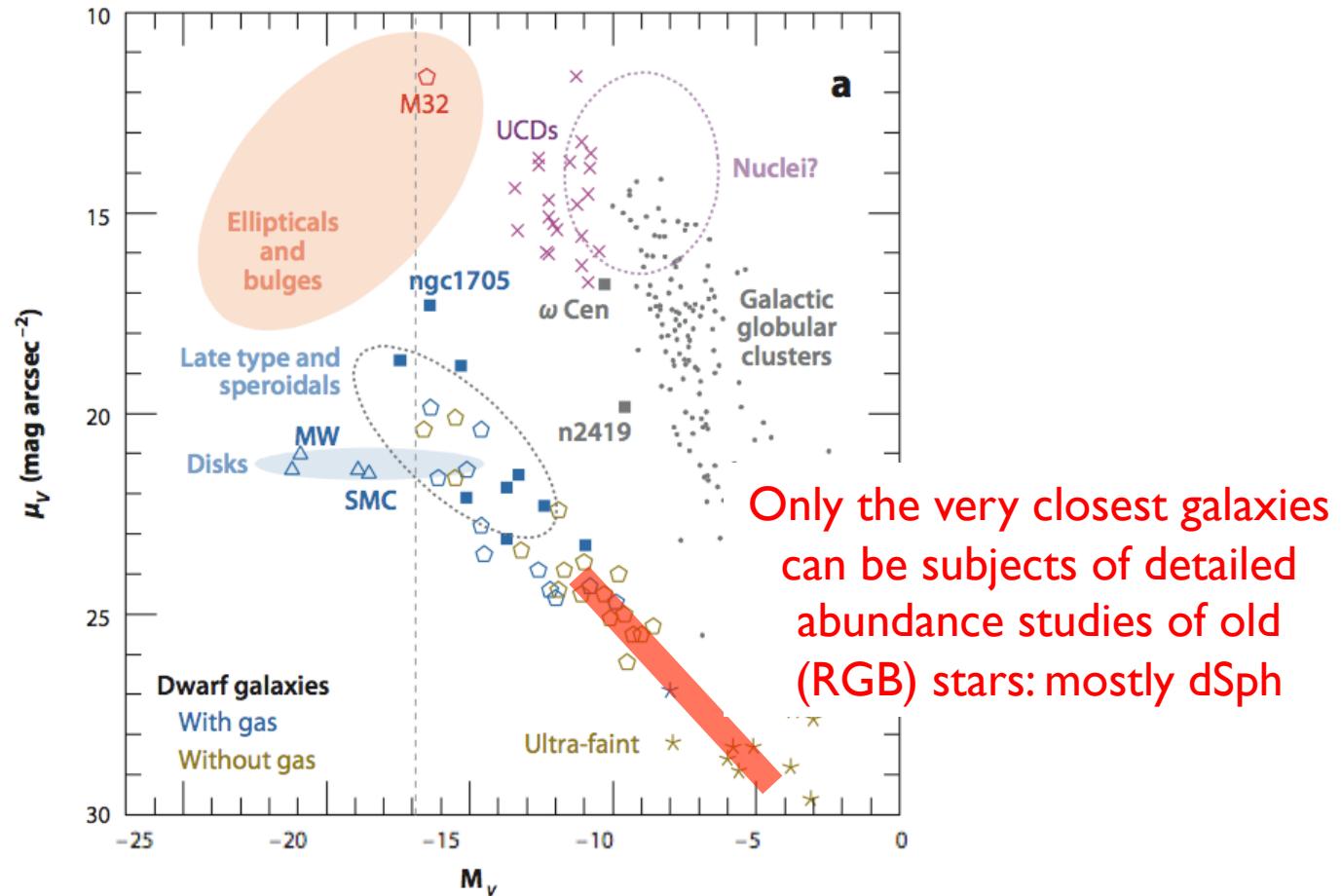


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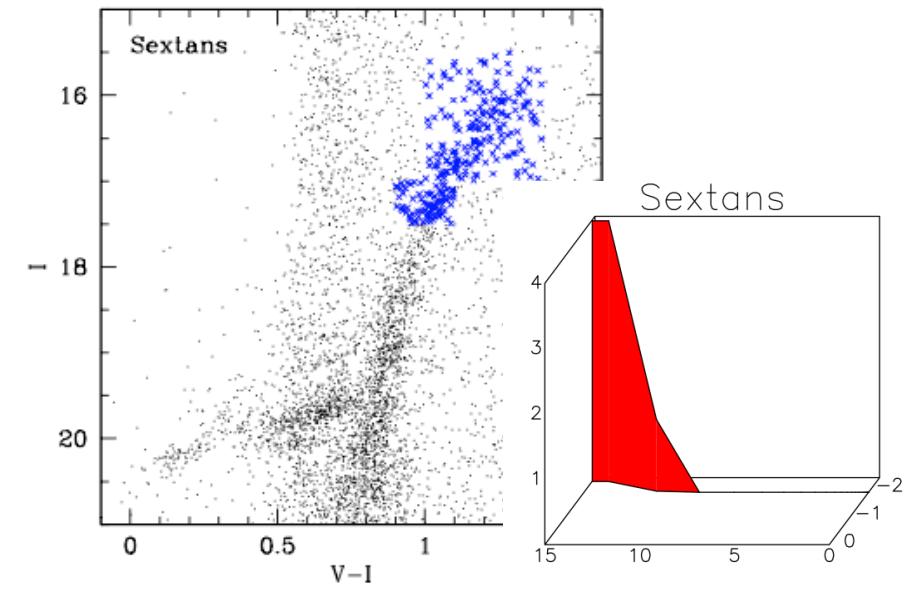
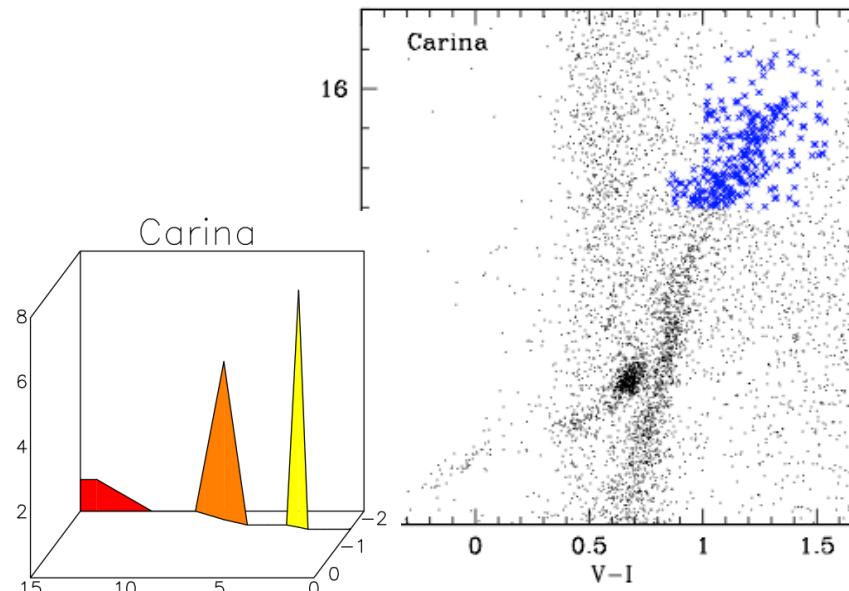
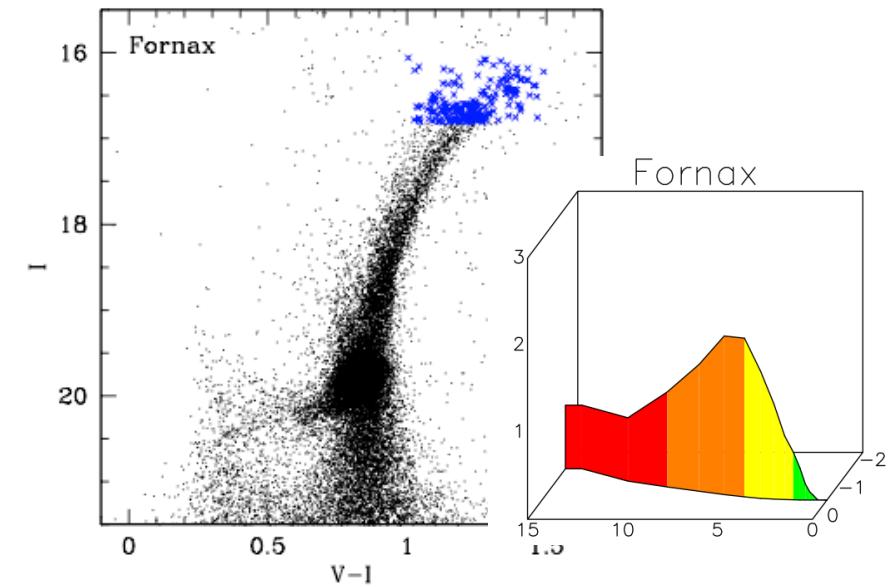
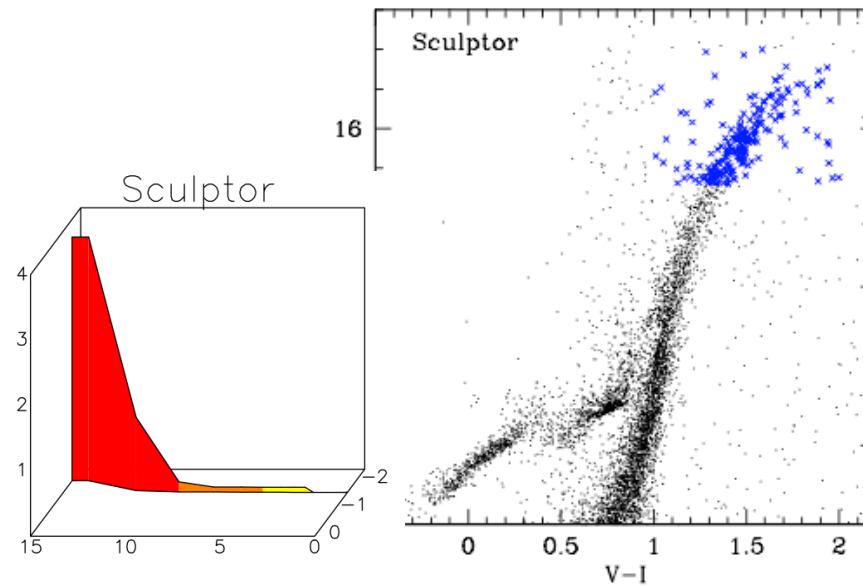
Dwarf Galaxies



Understanding Galaxies

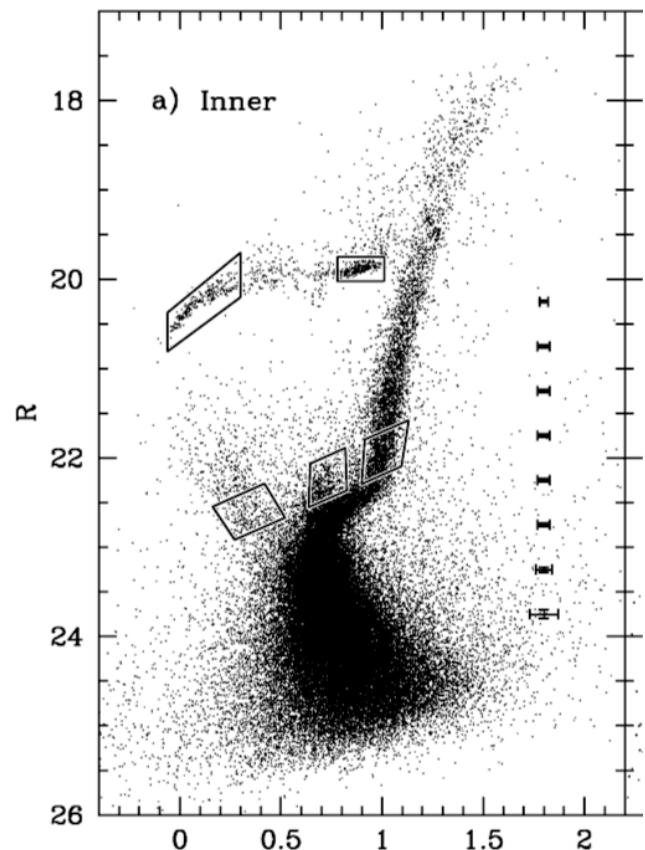


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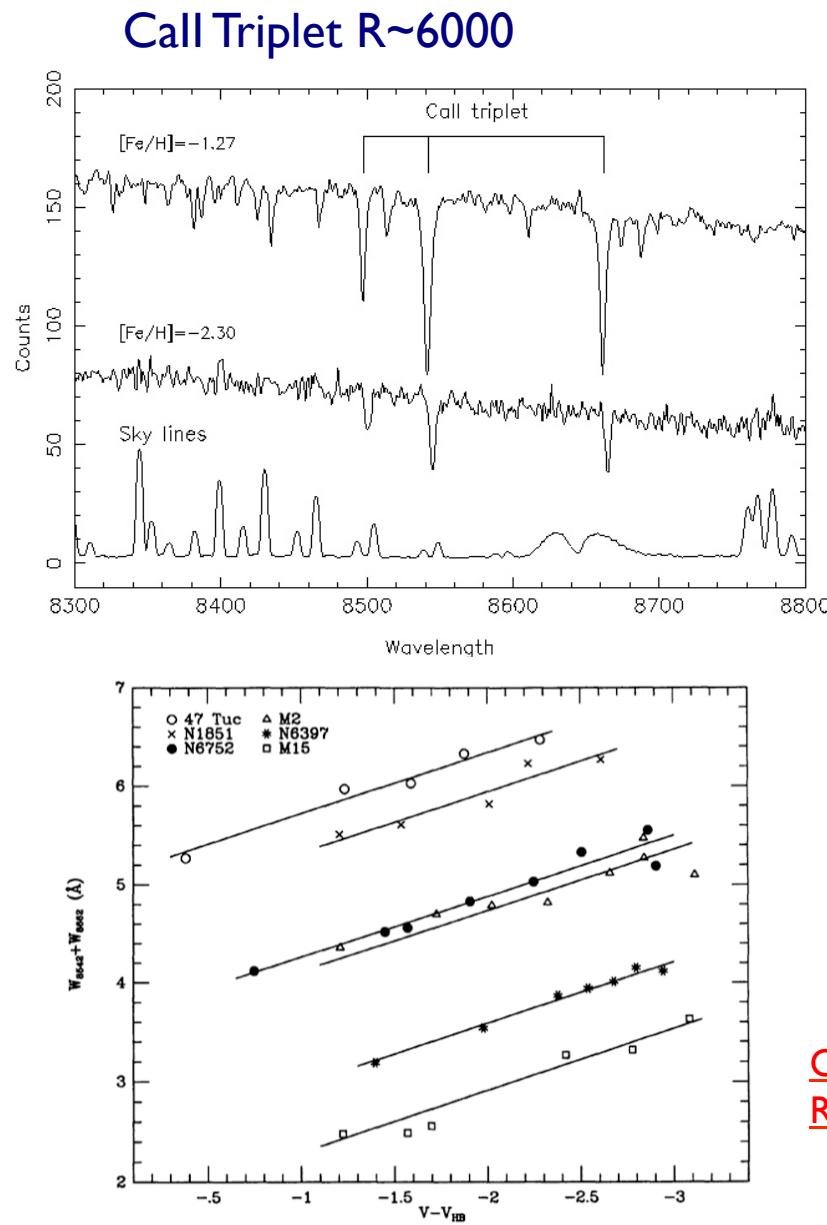


Metallicity Indictor

SPECTRA!



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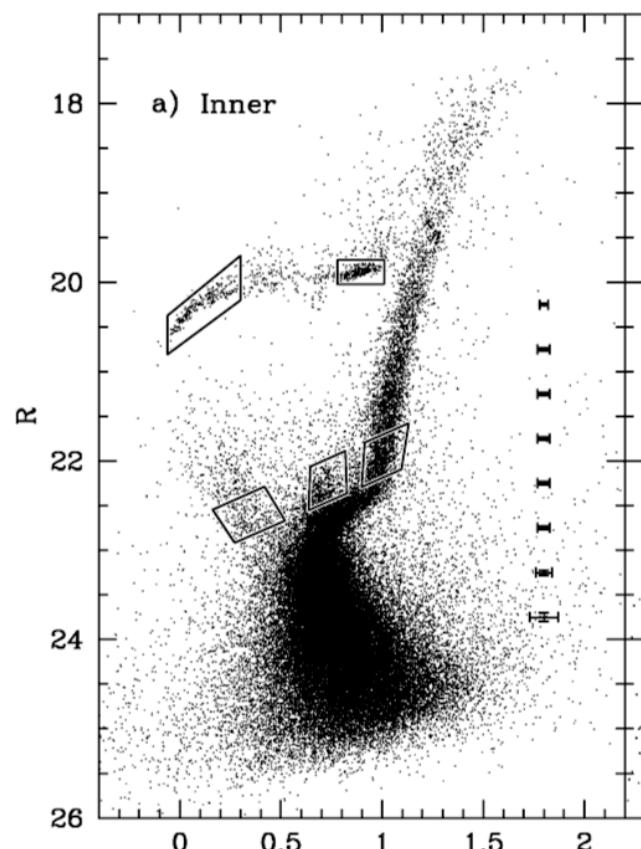


Only valid for
RGB stars!!

Armandroff & Da Costa 1991

Detailed Abundances

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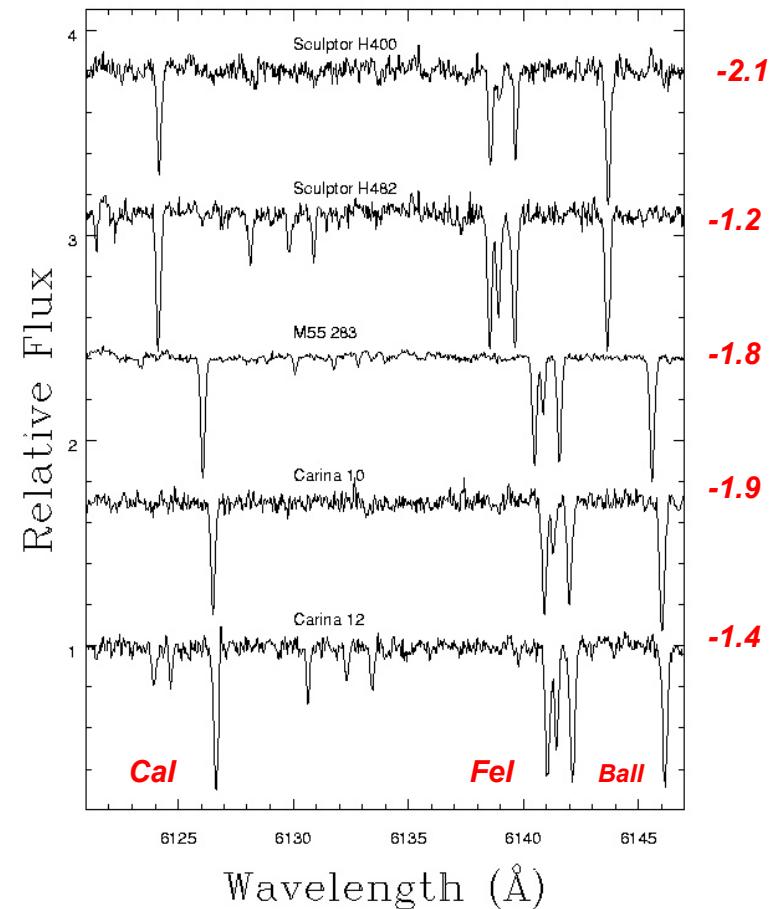
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Direct Measurement

e.g., UVES R~40 000

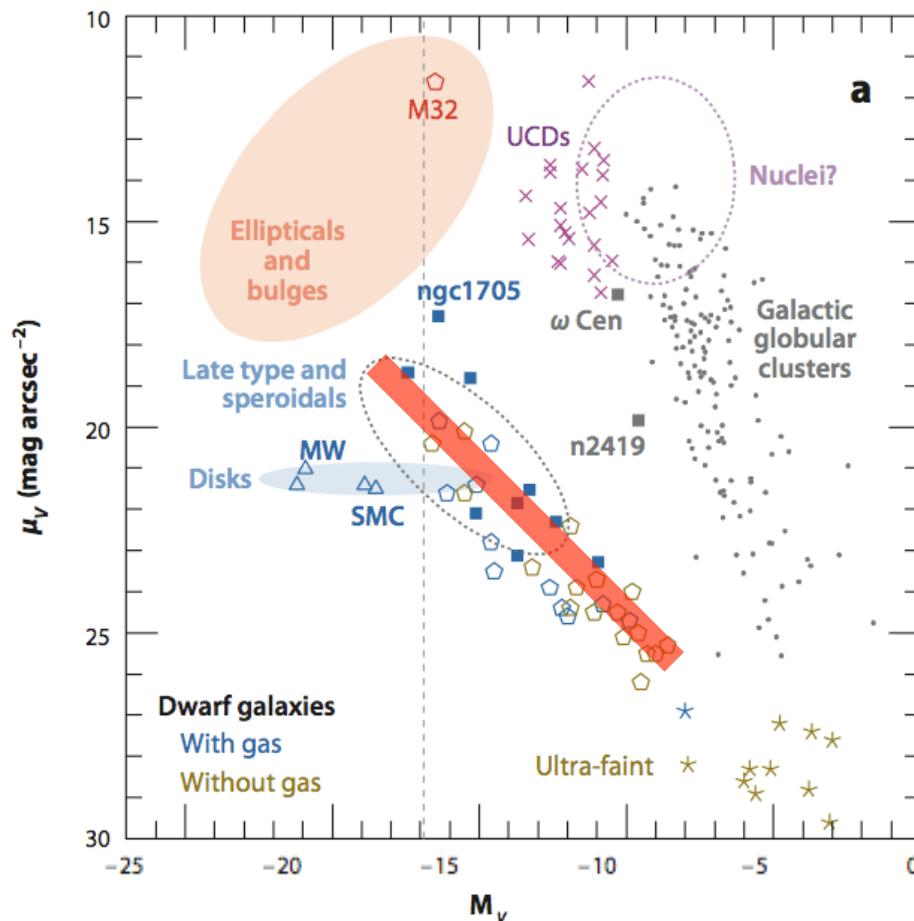
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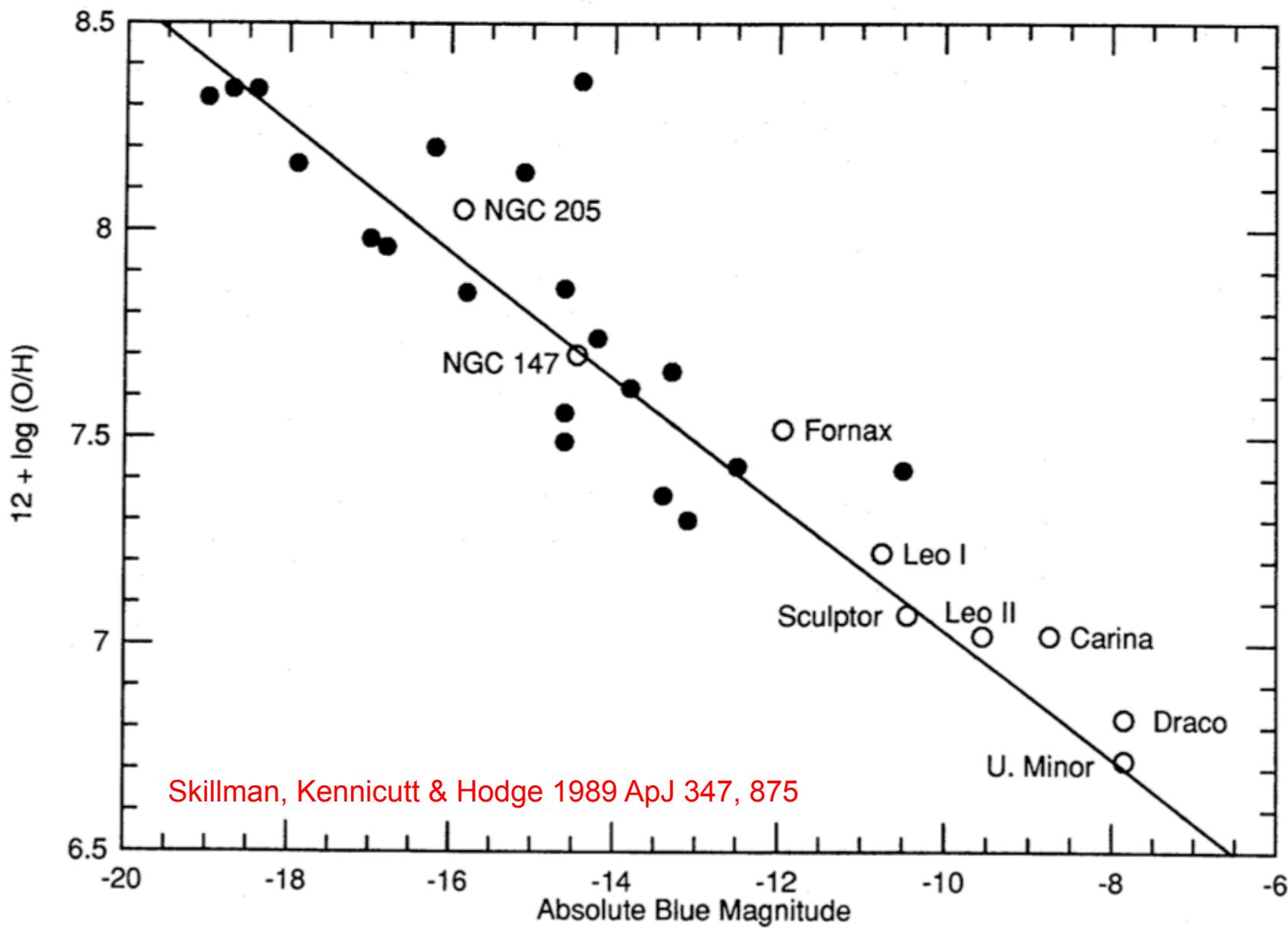
Metallicity Indicators



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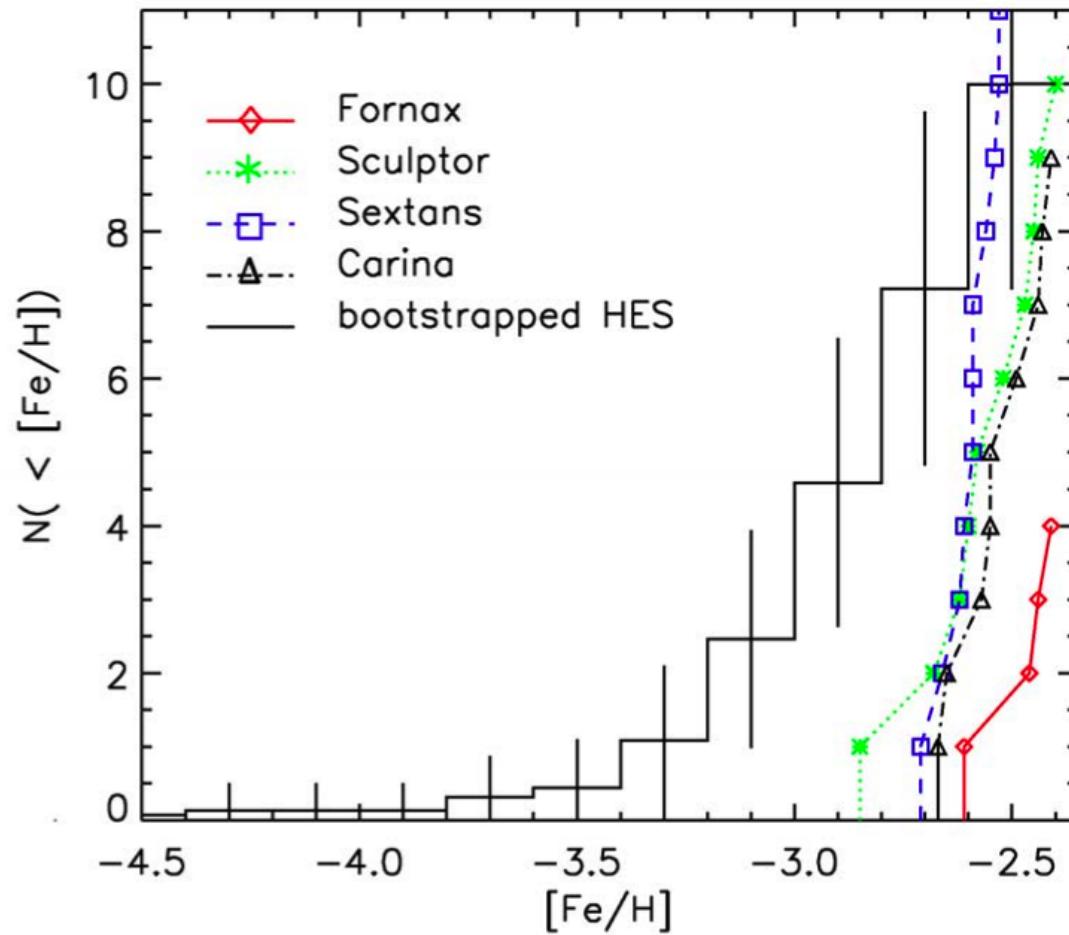


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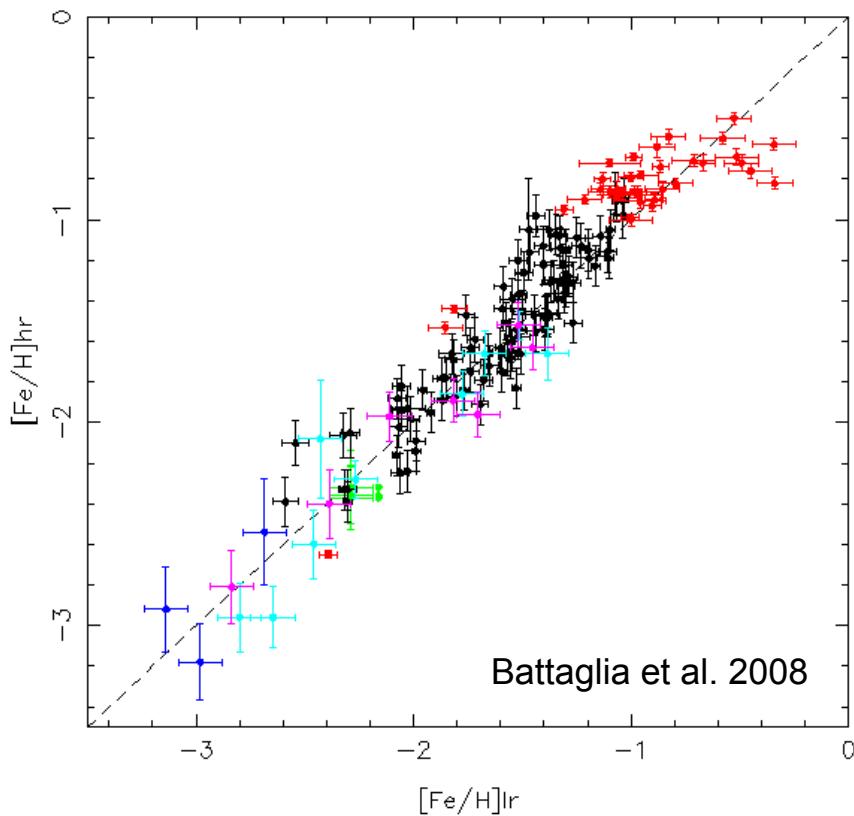
Metallicity Distribution

Do Galactic halo &
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distributions differ
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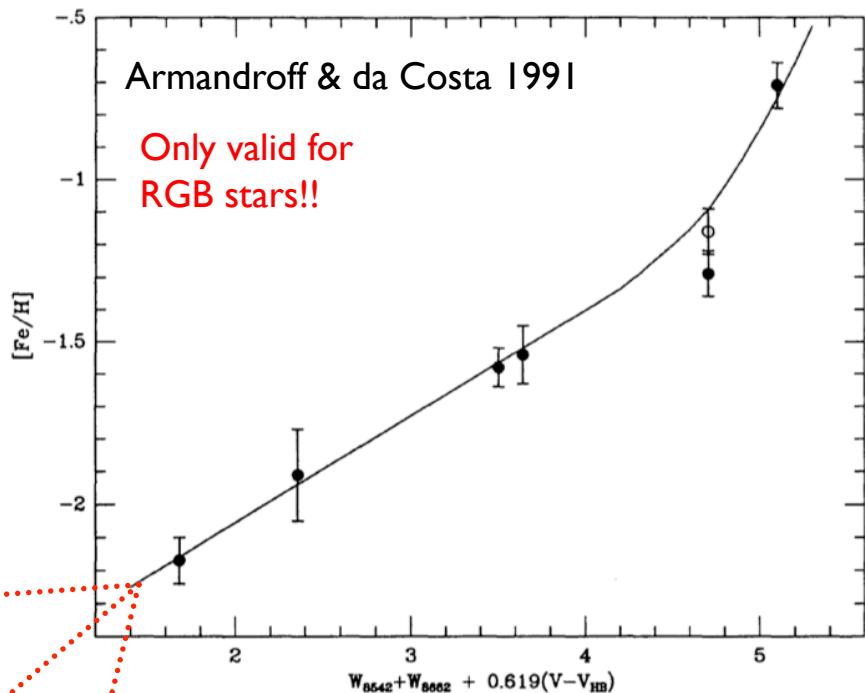
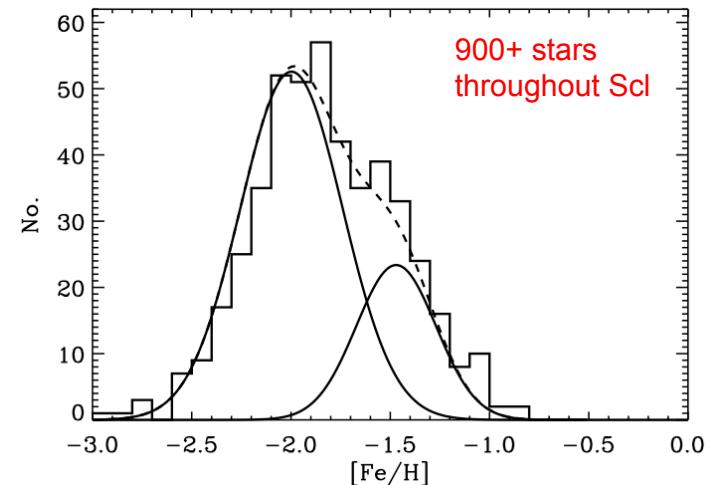


Helmi et al. 2006, ApJL

Ca II triplet calibration...



Extra points from analyses by
Shetrone with HET (Draco &
Umin), Venn with Magellan (Car)

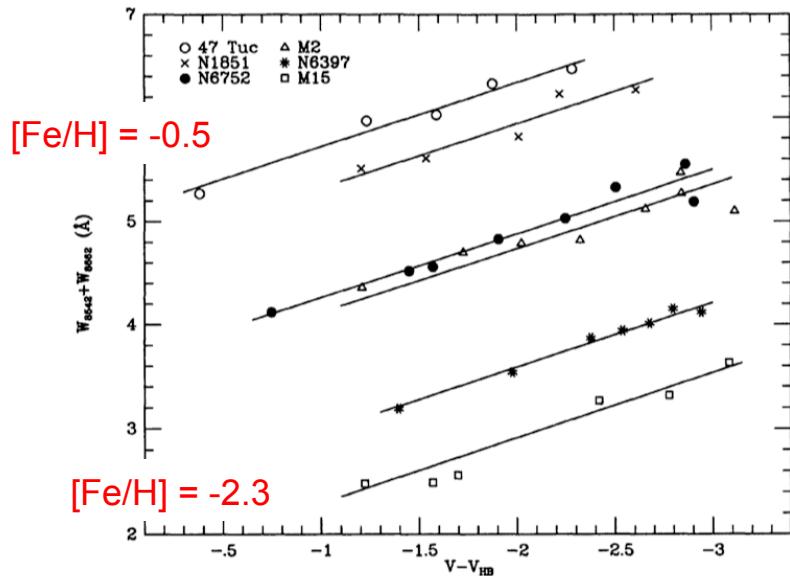


The slope has to change or the
relation will become unphysical
around $[Fe/H] \sim -3$

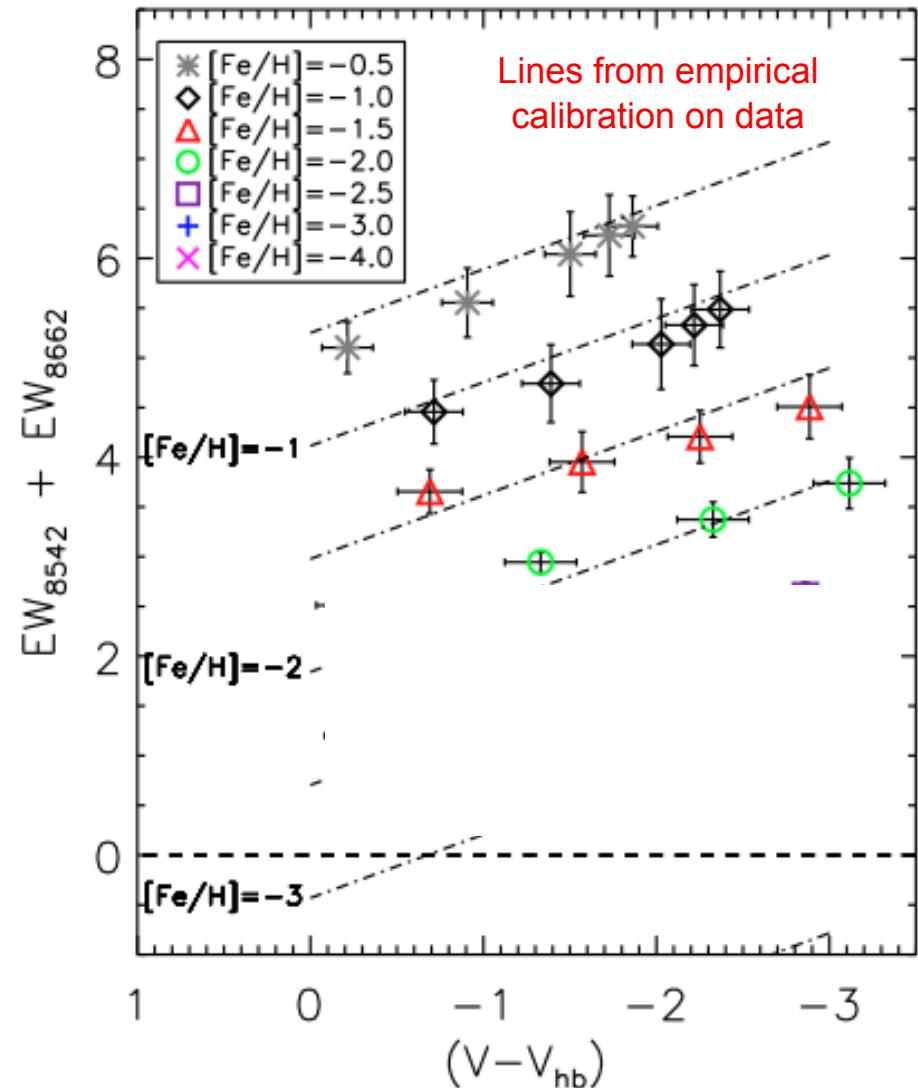
Modelling the CaT

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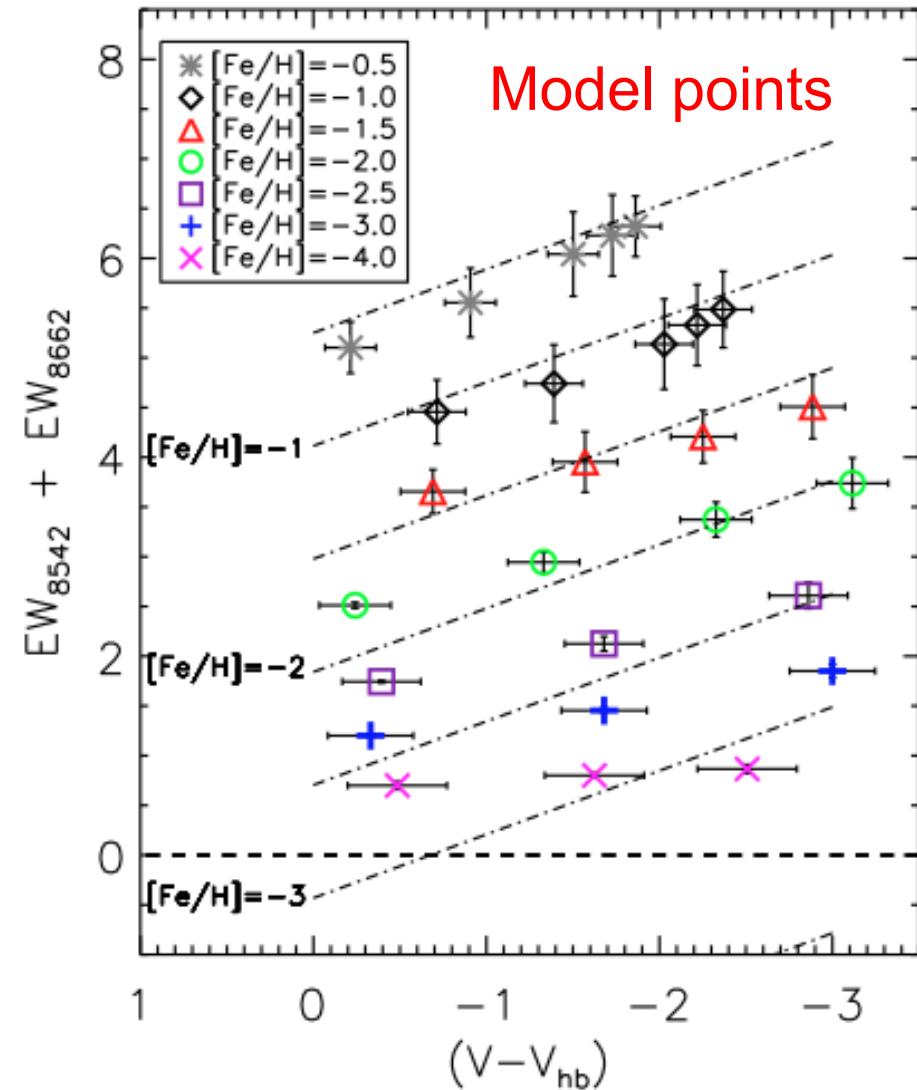
DATA



Globular cluster stars of
“known” metallicity (from HR
spectroscopy) compared to
CaT line widths



Modelling the CaT



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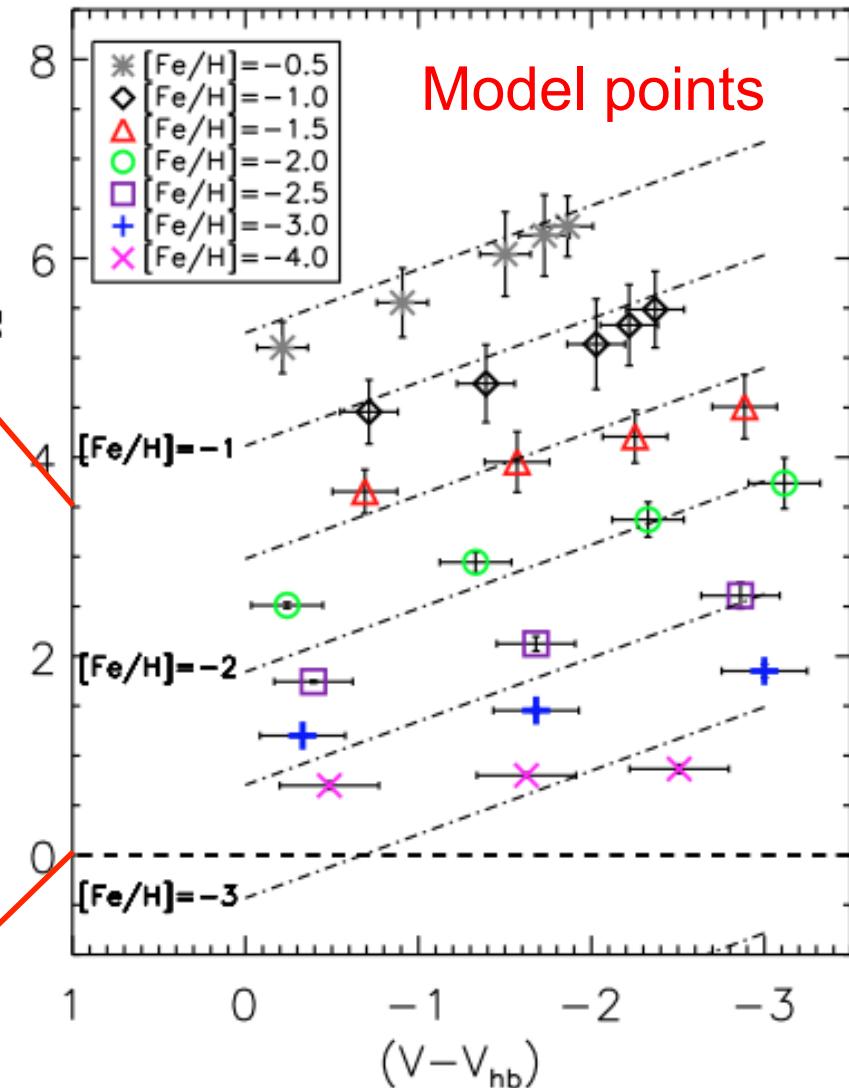
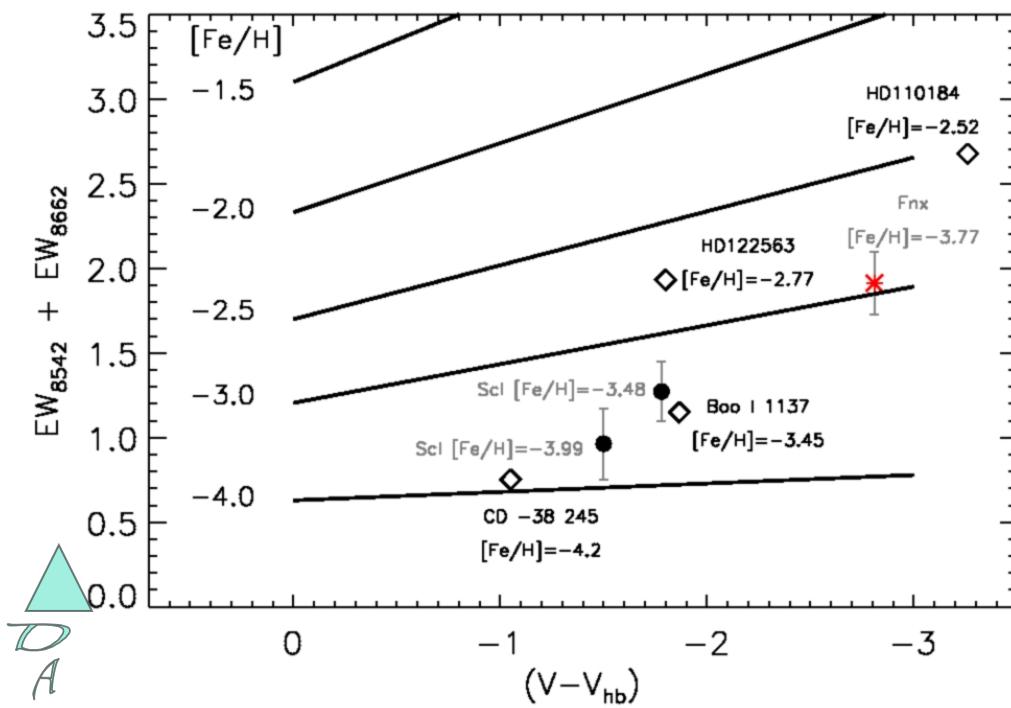
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Model vs. Data



Modelling the CaT

Stars near the TRGB are the last to leave the correlation

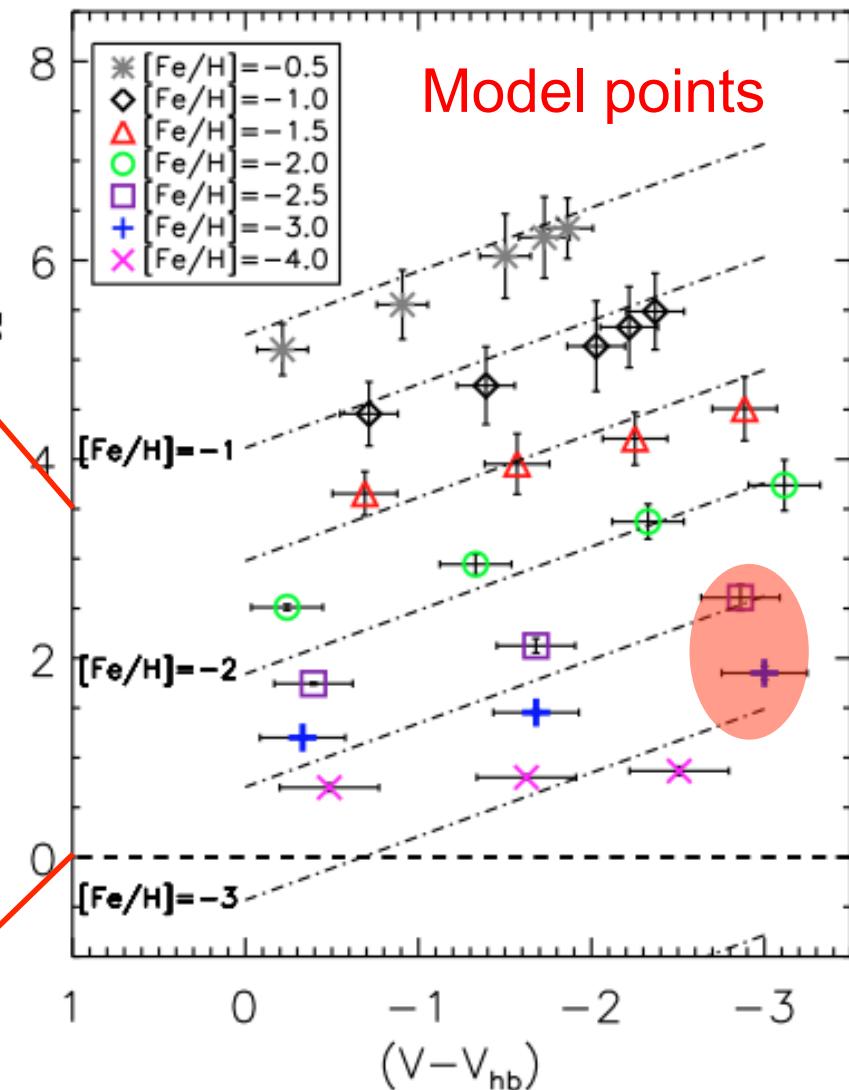
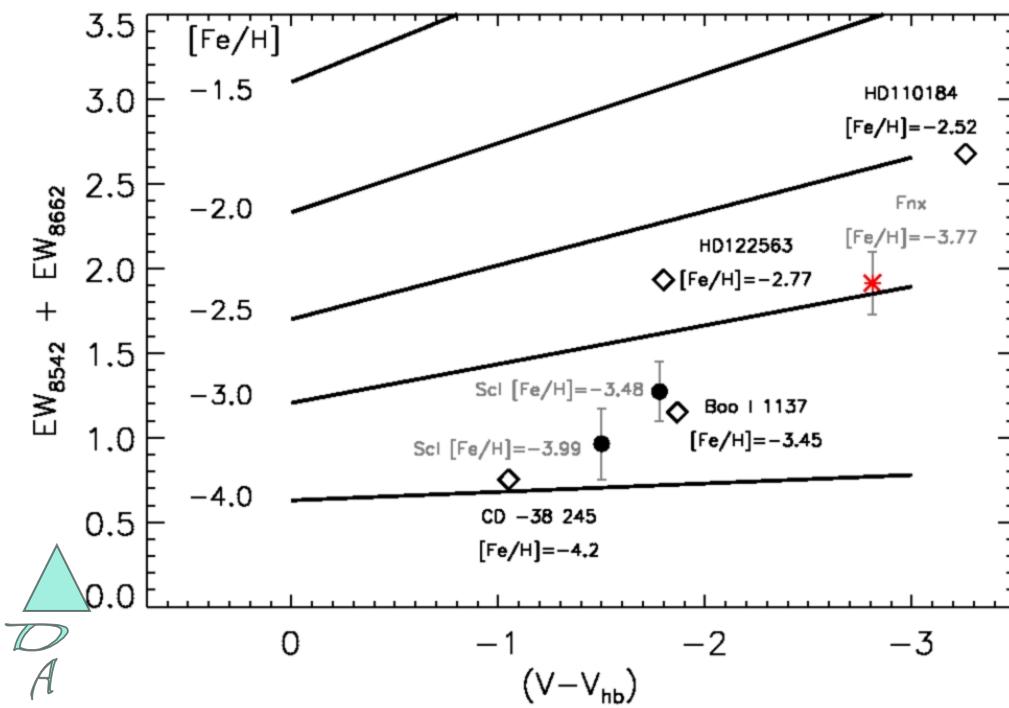
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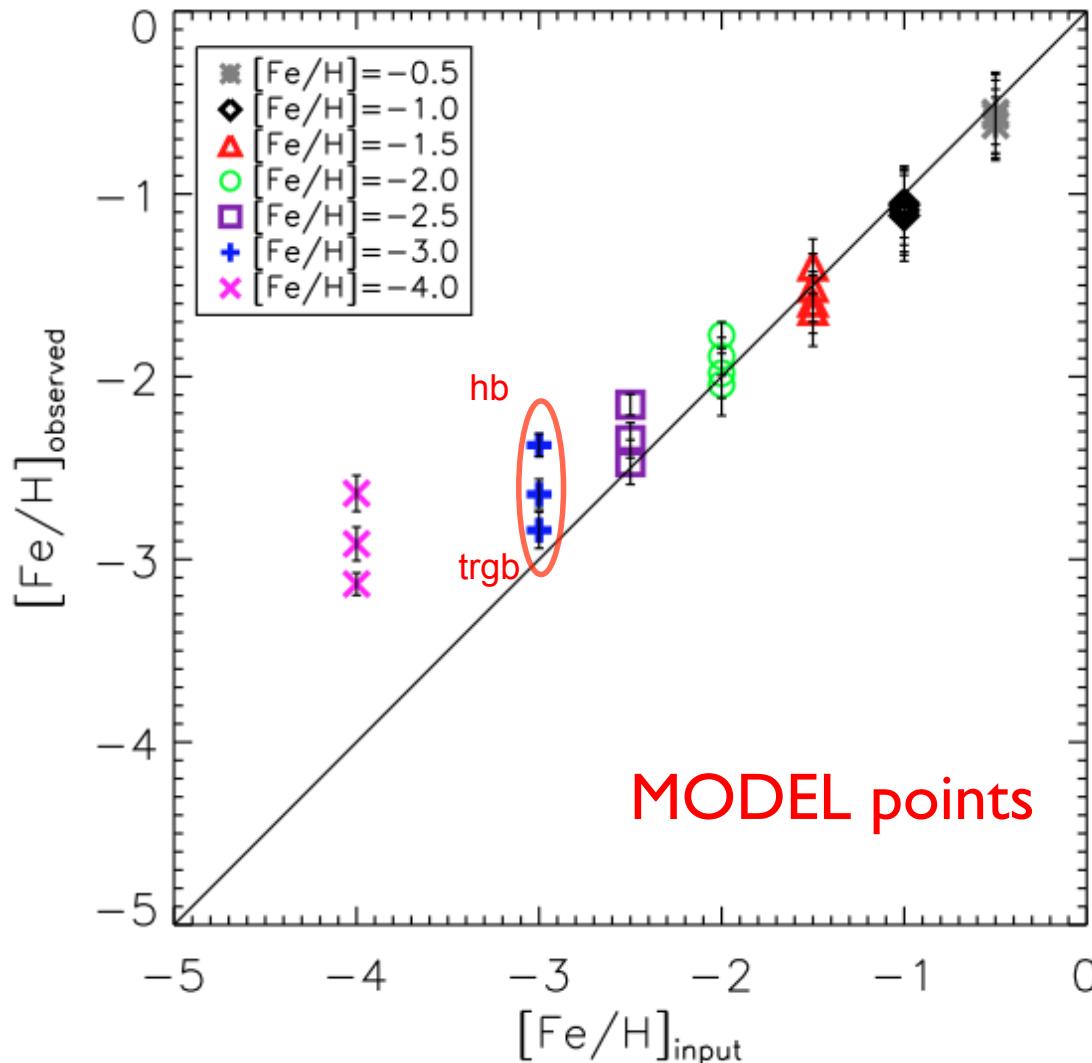
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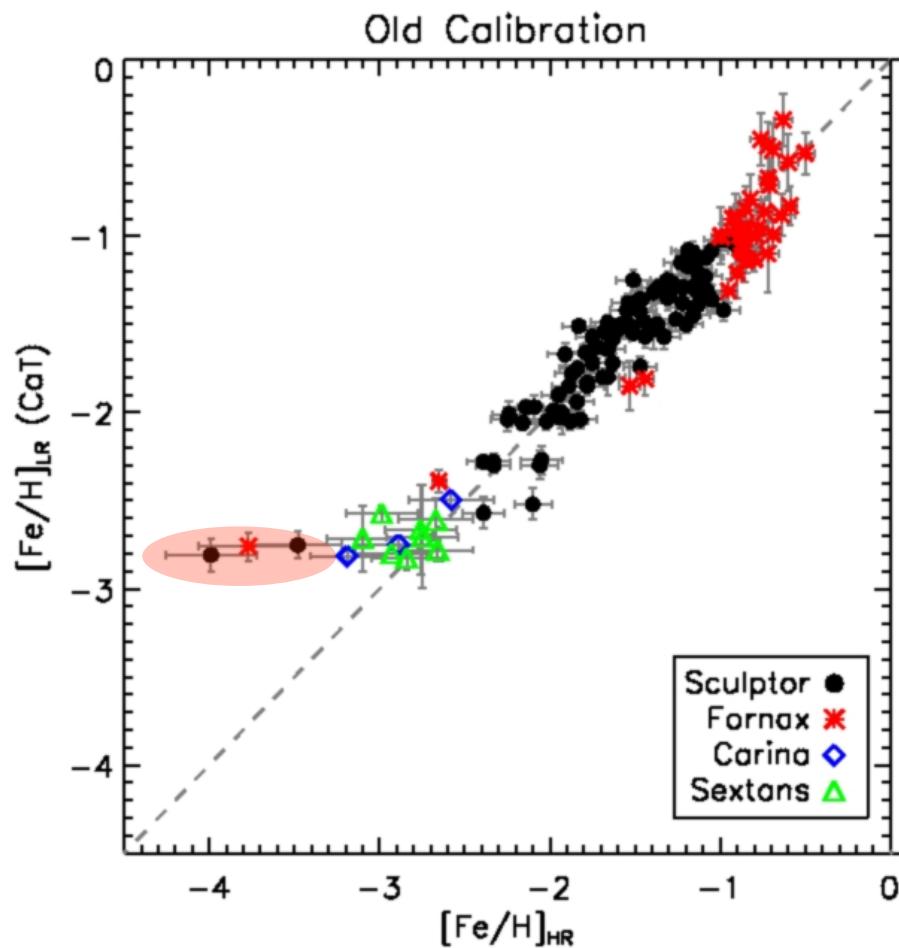
Call triplet accuracy at low metallicity



Based on synthetic spectra can re-determine the CaT calibration at low $[Fe/H]$



Testing the New Calibration



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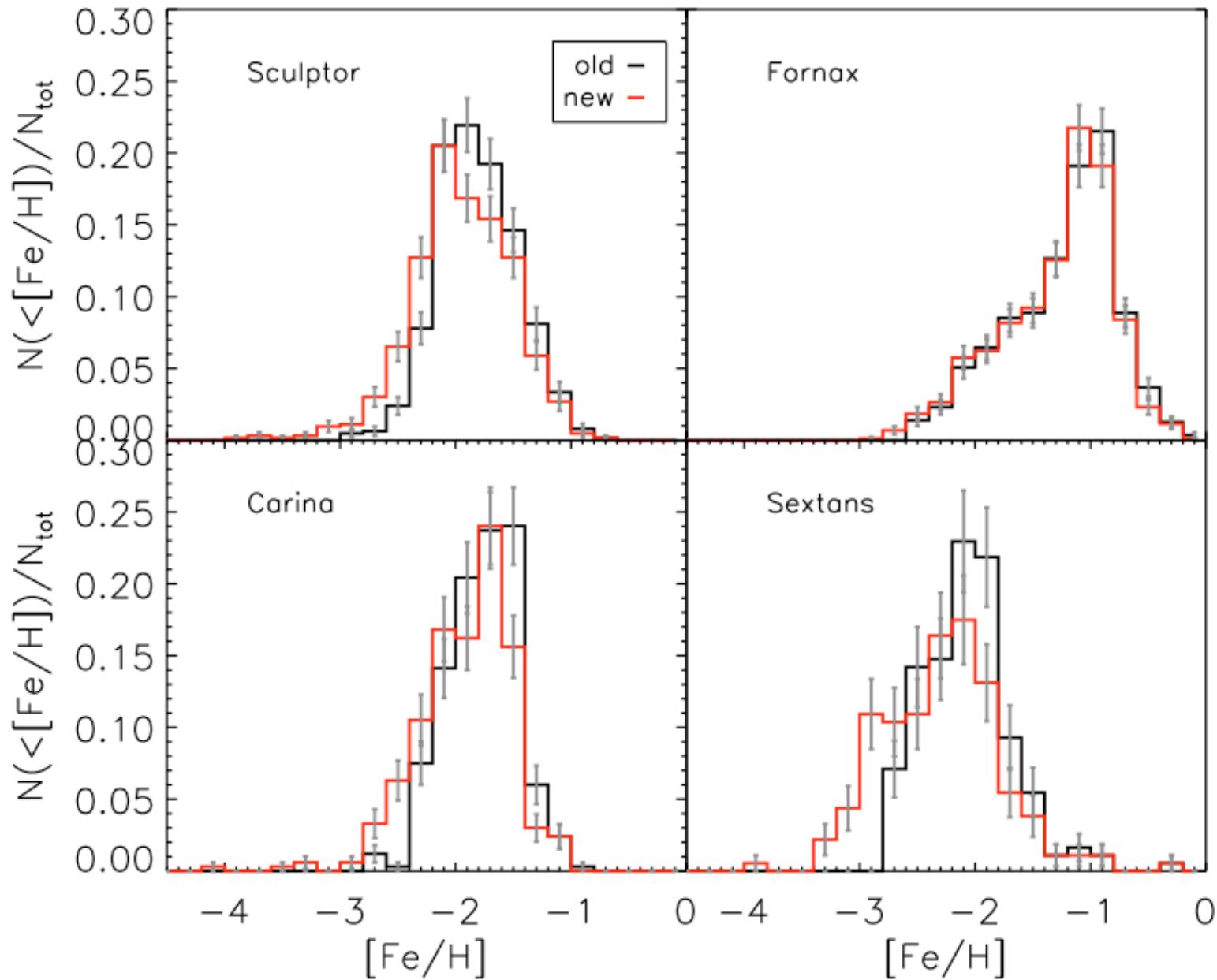
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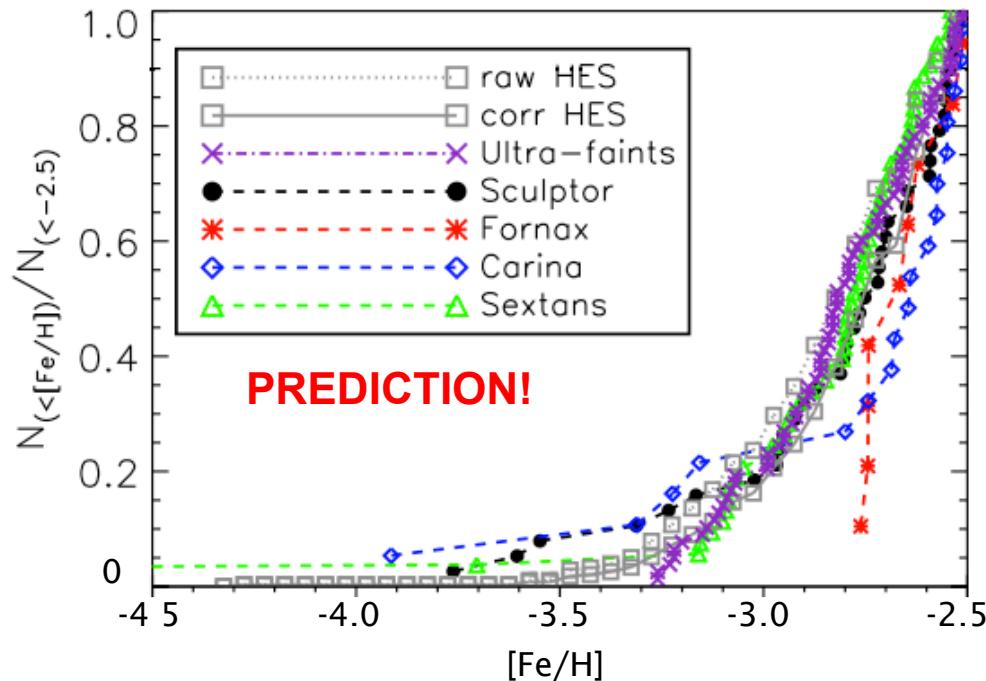


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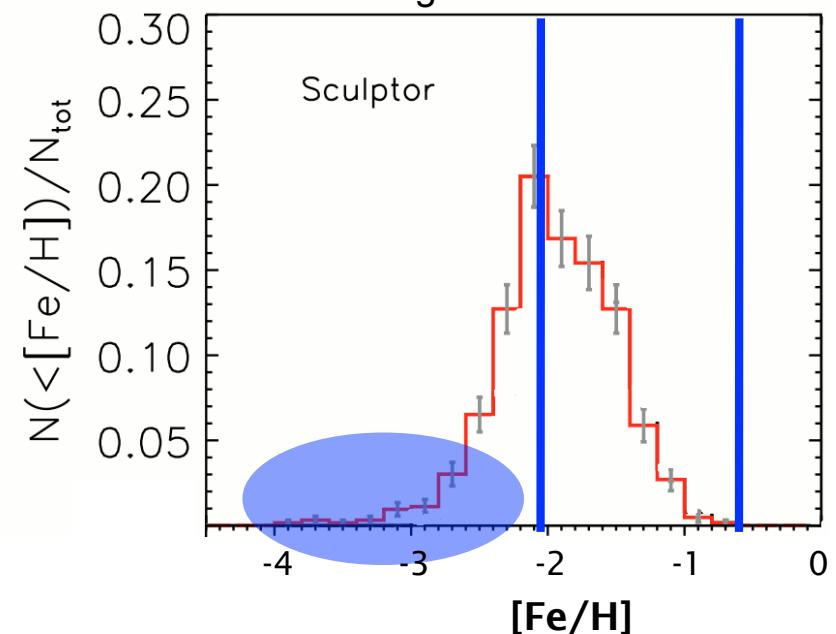


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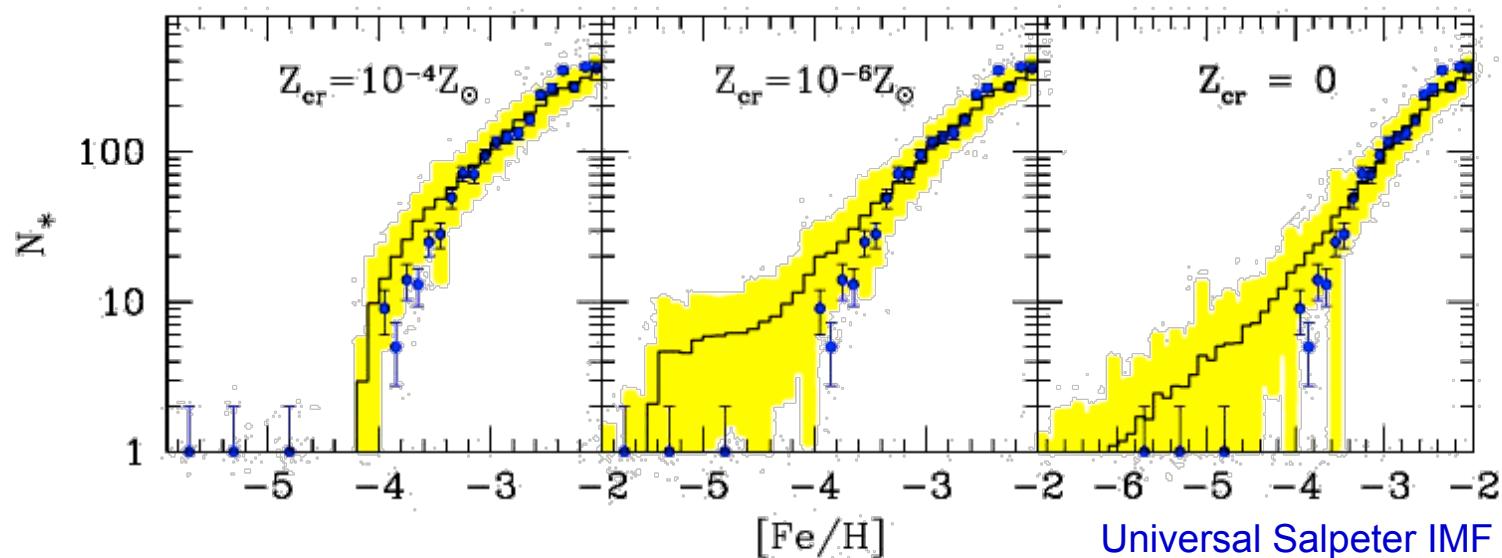
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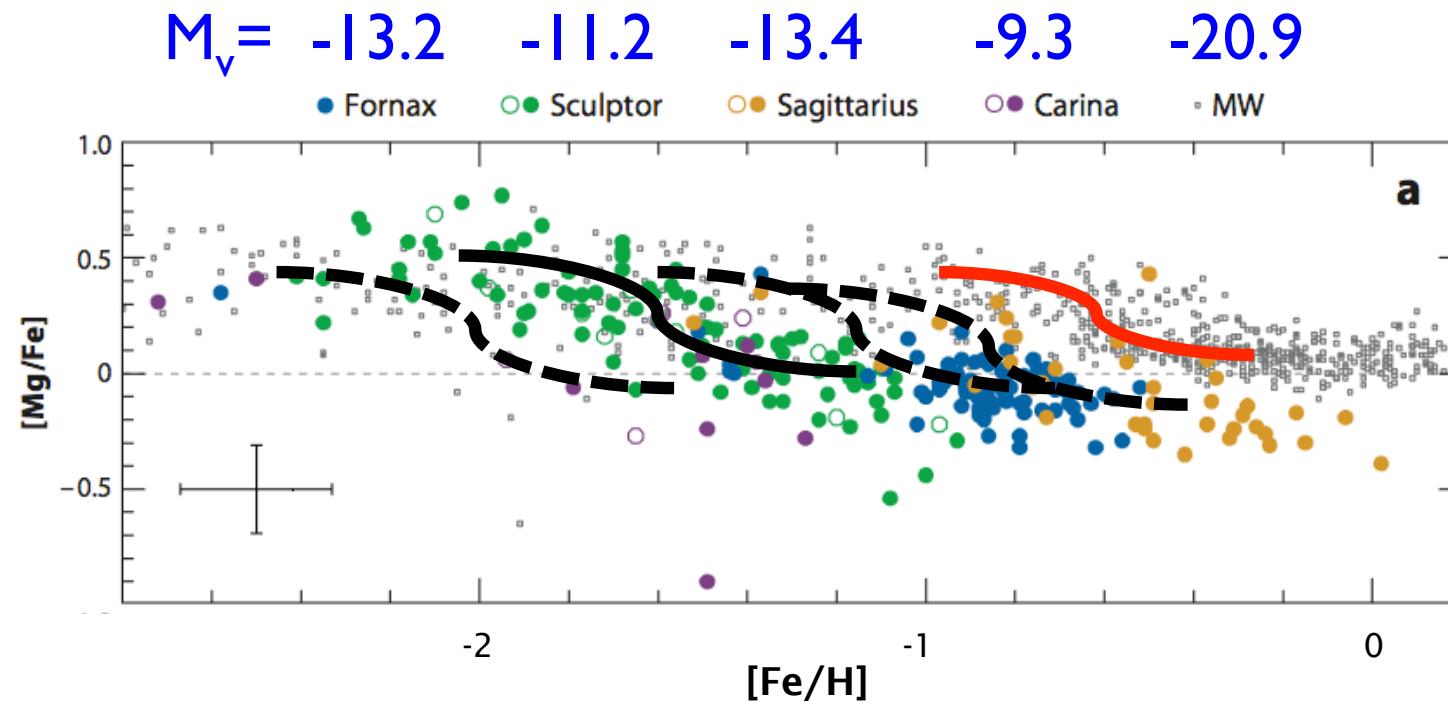
Salvadori, Schneider & Ferrara 2007



Detailed Abundances



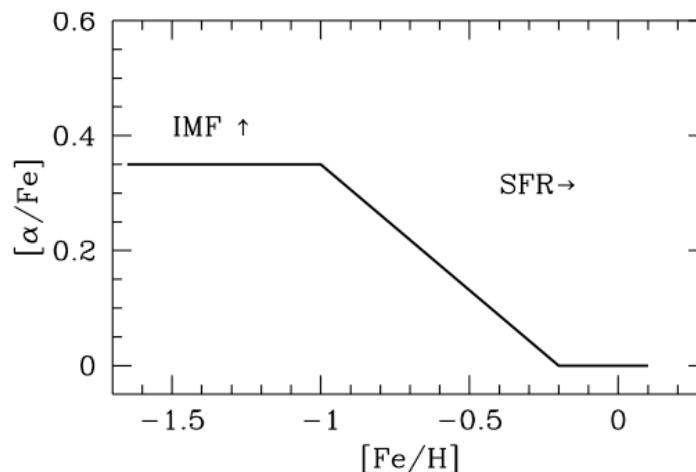
α -element abundances in dSph



“The Knee”



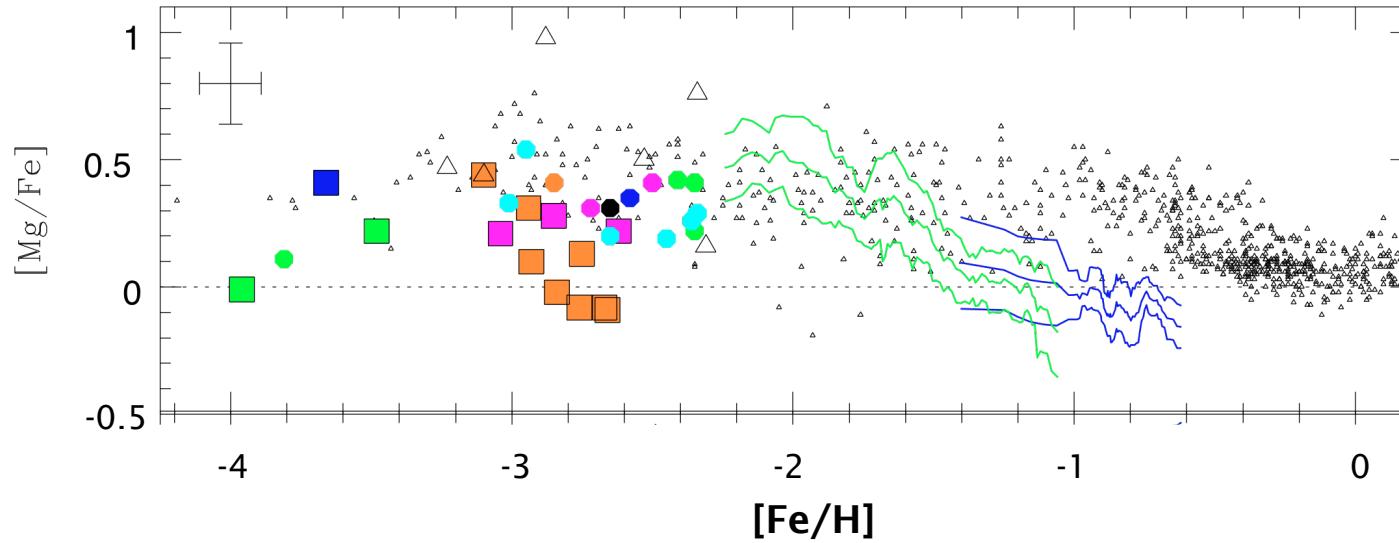
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- Koch et al. 2008
- Venn et al. 2011
- Sbordone et al. 2007



Tolstoy, Hill & Tosi 2009

Figure 1 A schematic diagram of the trend of α -element abundance with metallicity. Increased initial mass function and star formation rate effect the trend in the directions indicated. The knee

Extremely Metal Poor stars: clues to formation



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Shetrone et al. 2001, 2003

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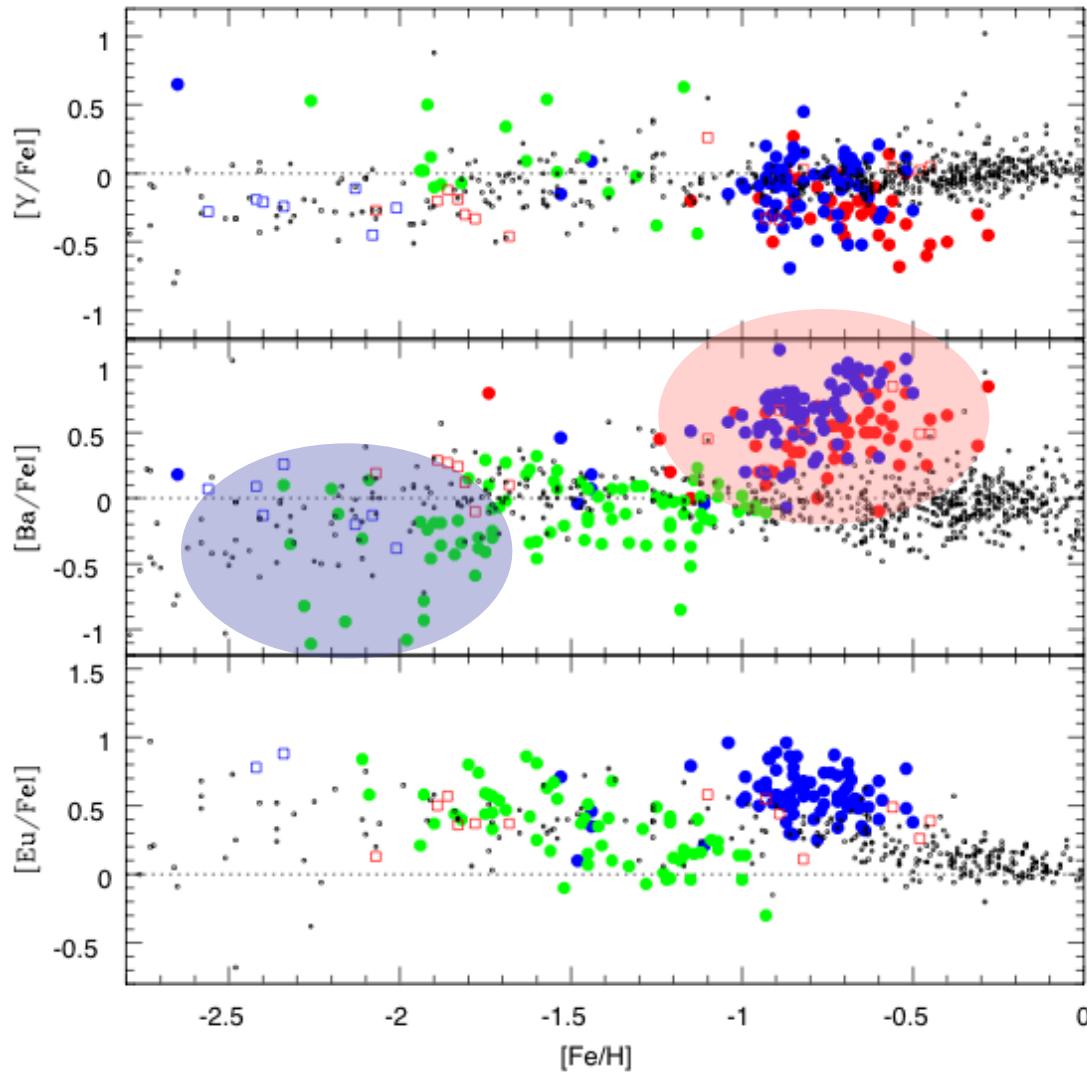
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Fnx
Scl
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heavy elements



Sculptor dSph

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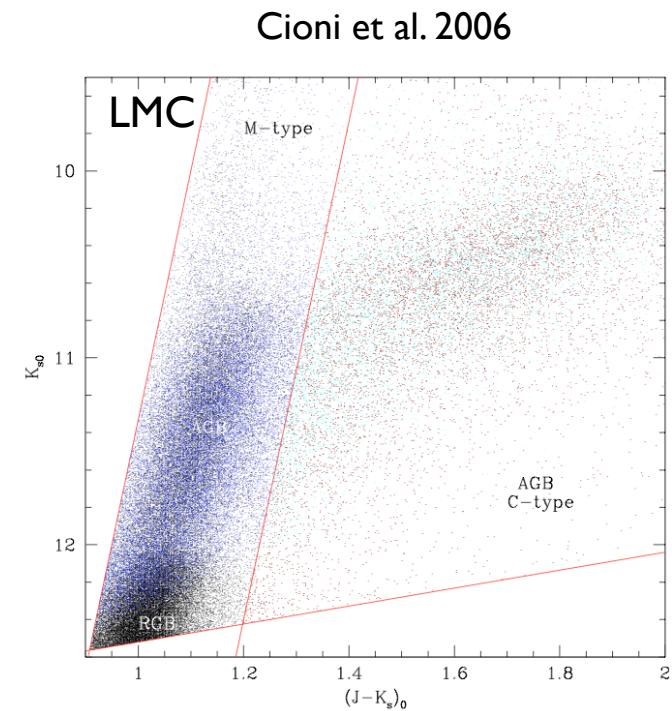
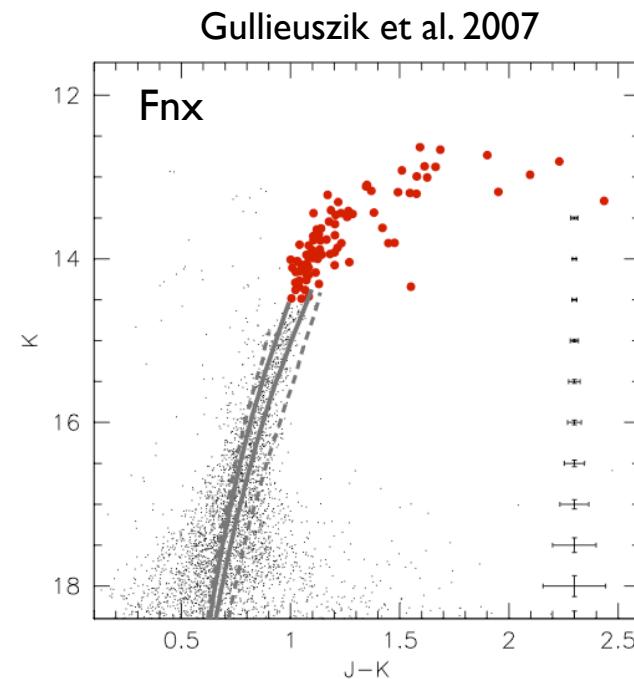
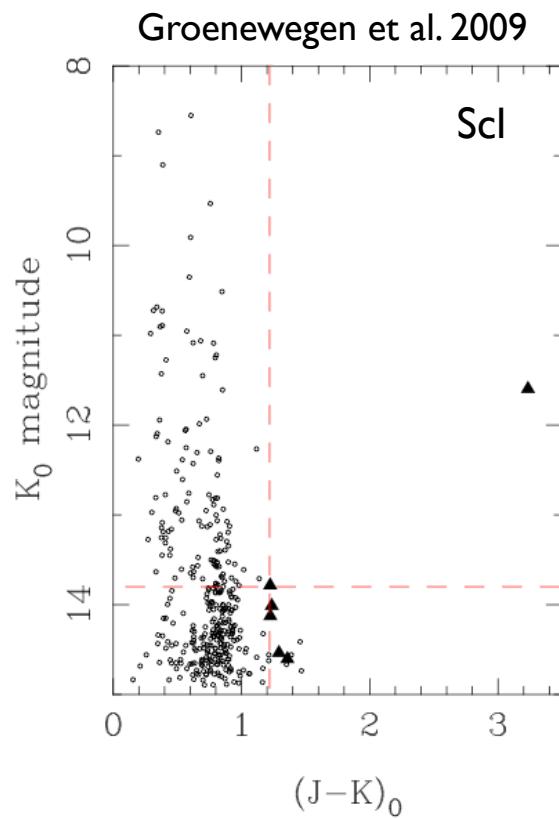
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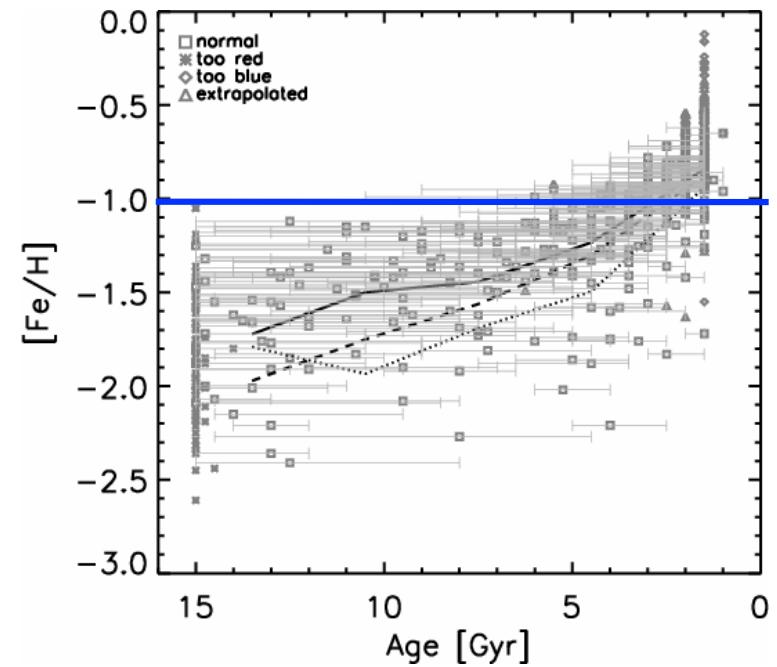
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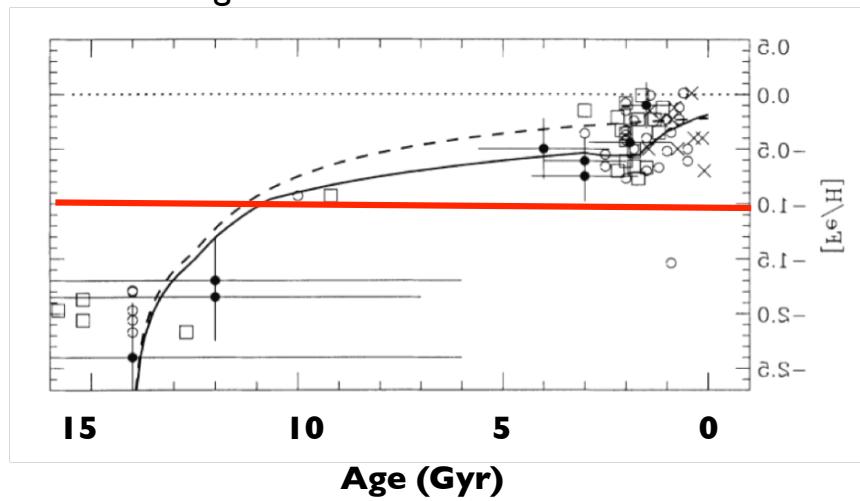


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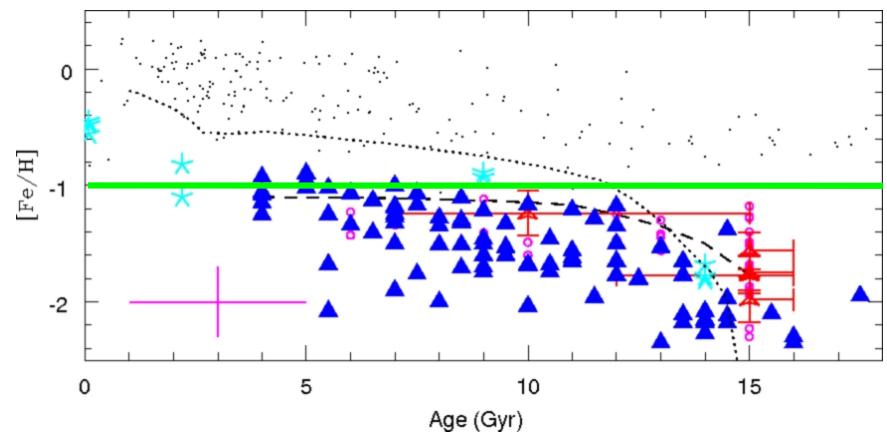
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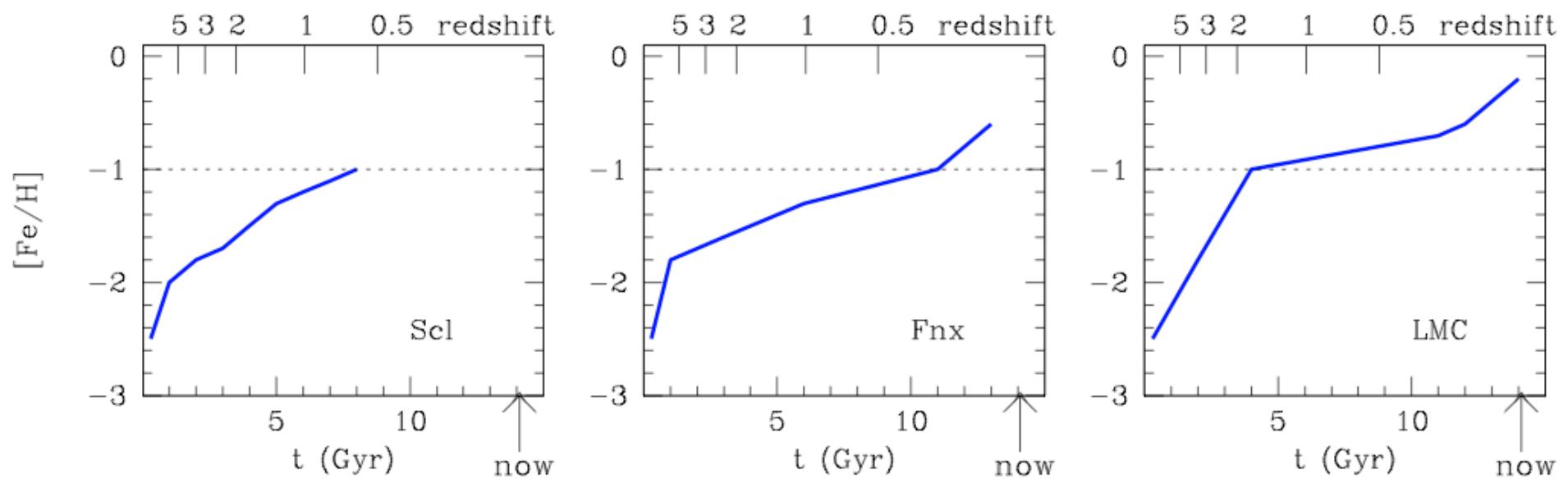
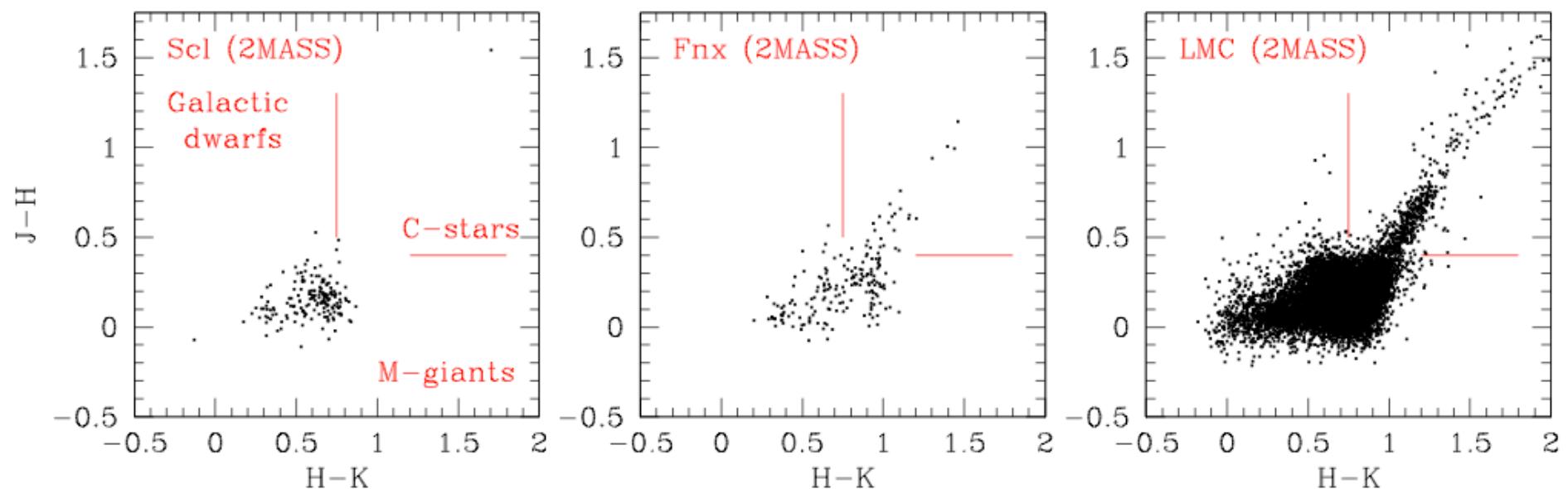


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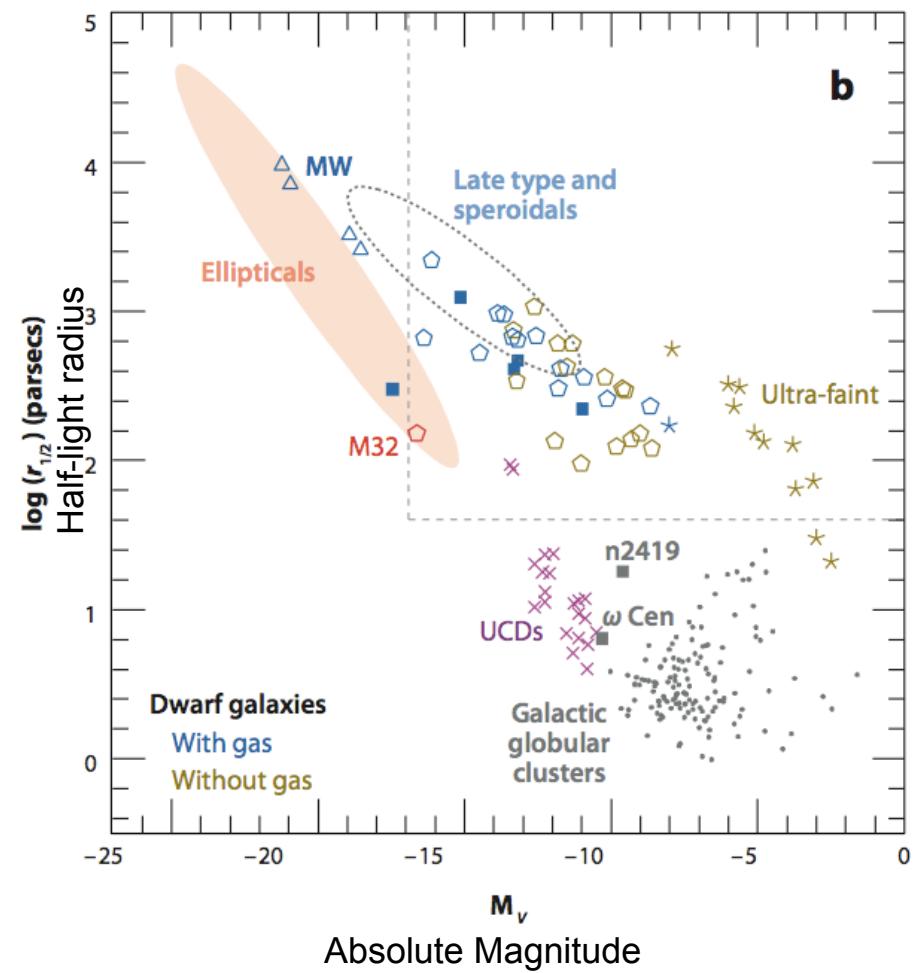
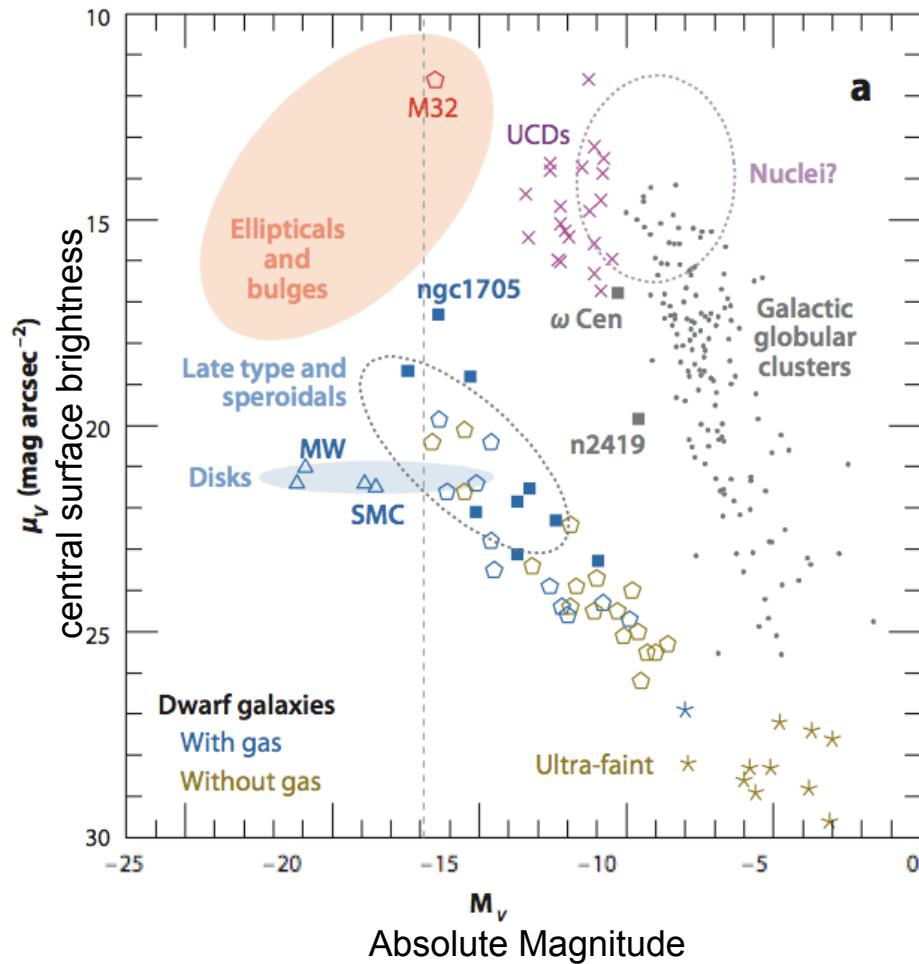


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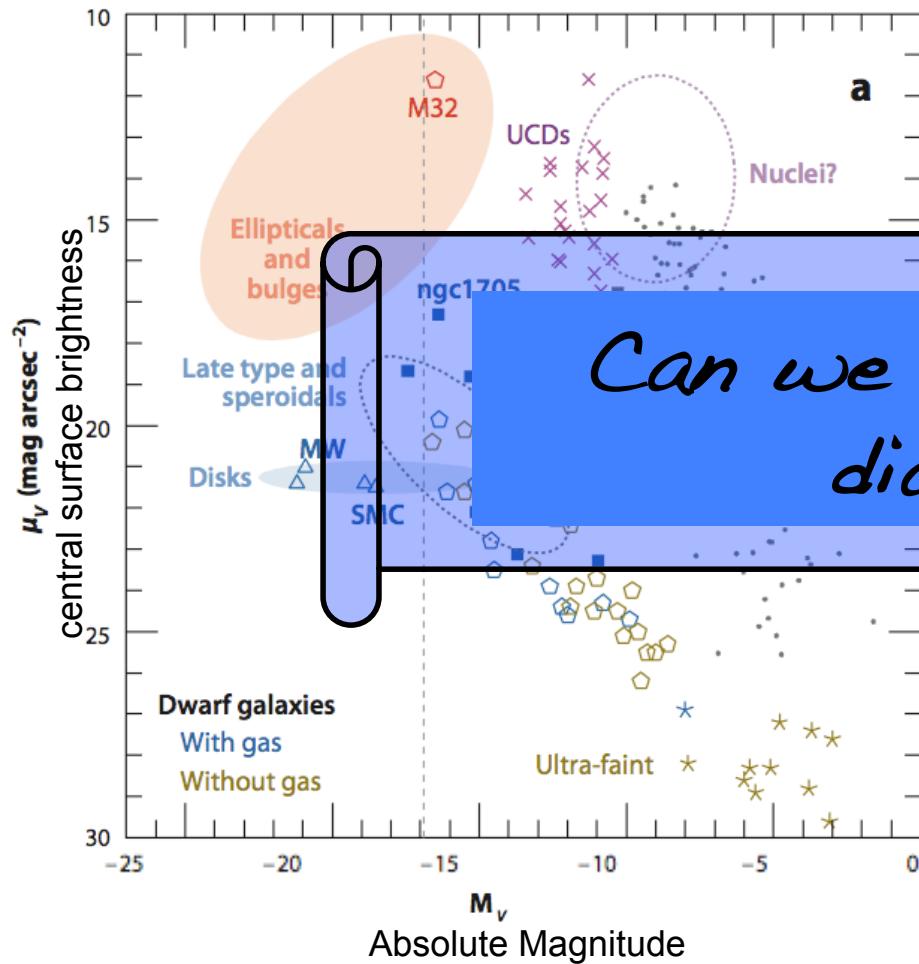


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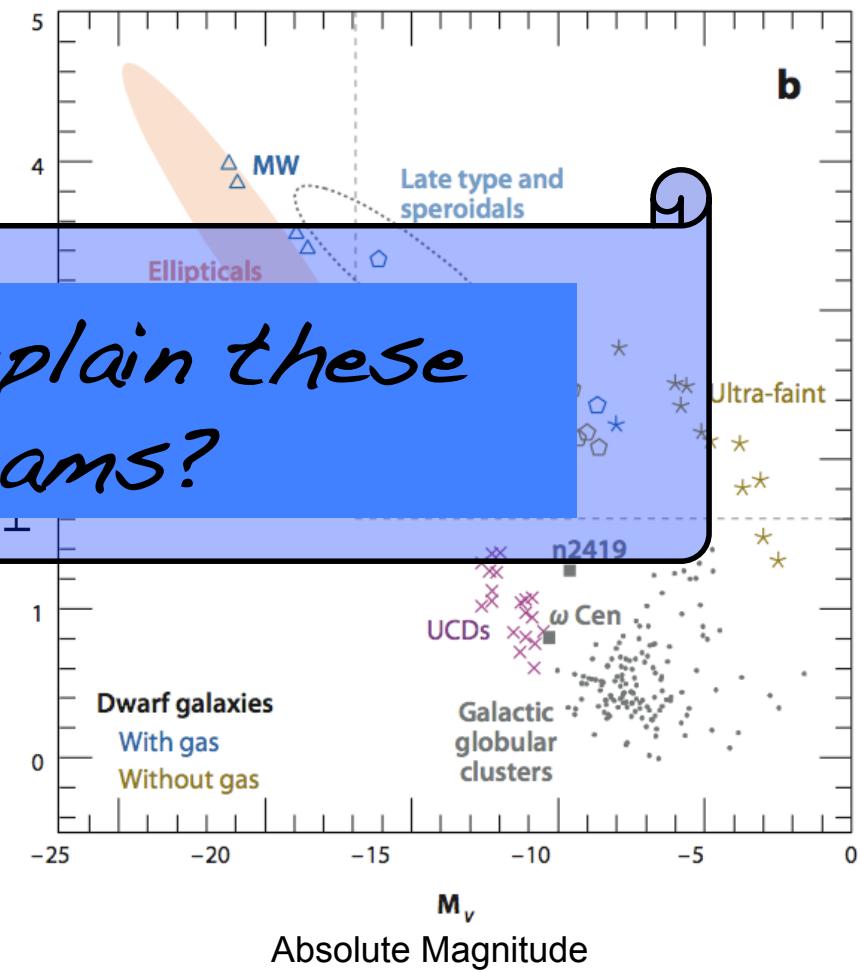
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Can we explain these diagrams?



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Conclusions

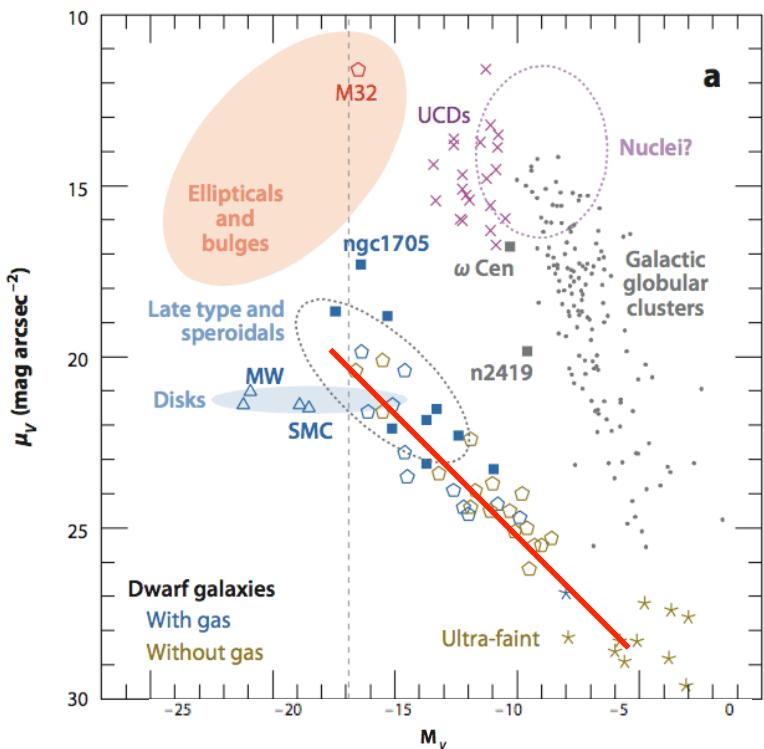
dSph contain stars with $[Fe/H] < -3$ (one has now been found at $[Fe/H] = -4$!)

dSph, dI & Ufds show consistent abundance patterns

Most stars in dwarf galaxies are different from those in the Milky Way (!)

All dwarf galaxies (with the exception of M32) seem to follow a continuum of properties **suggesting** a common progenitor/formation & evolution processes which is still apparent even when all the gas has been removed.

This relation likely indicates the ability of galaxies of increasing mass to be increasingly stable against disruption from either surrounding galaxies or their own star formation processes (test: changing position of “knee” in alpha-elements). But they are still subject to variety of evolutionary influences....



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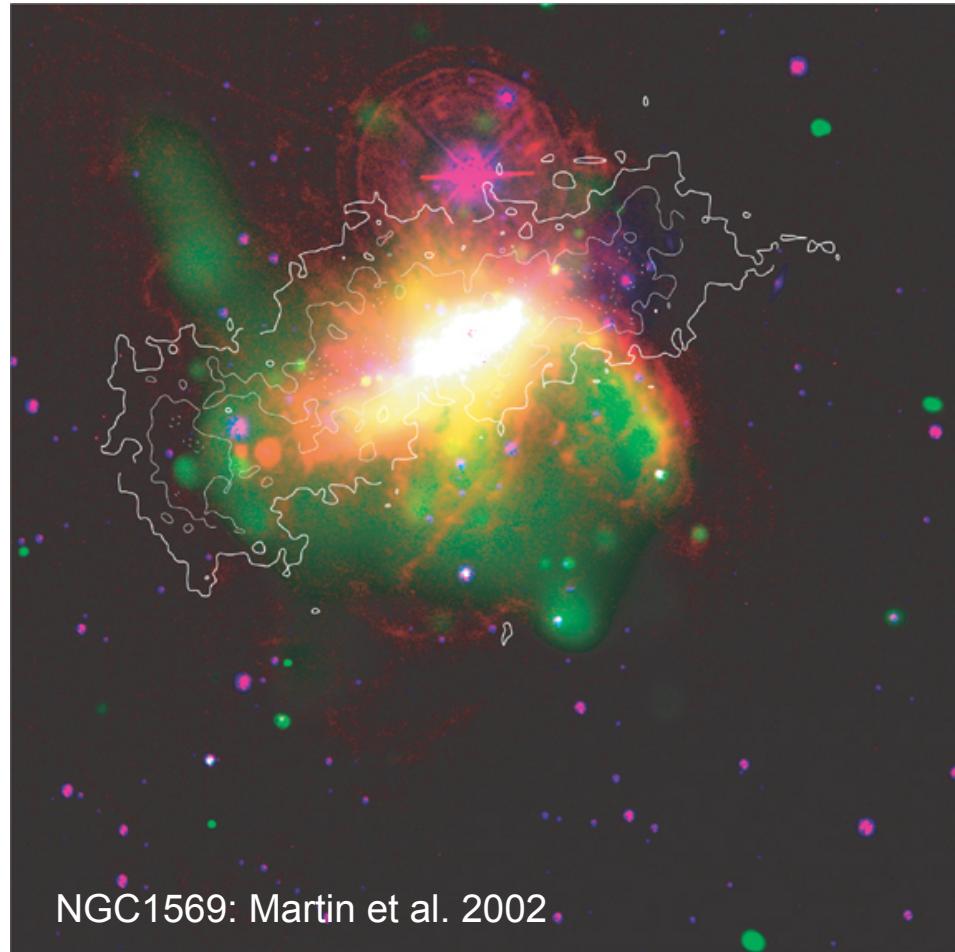
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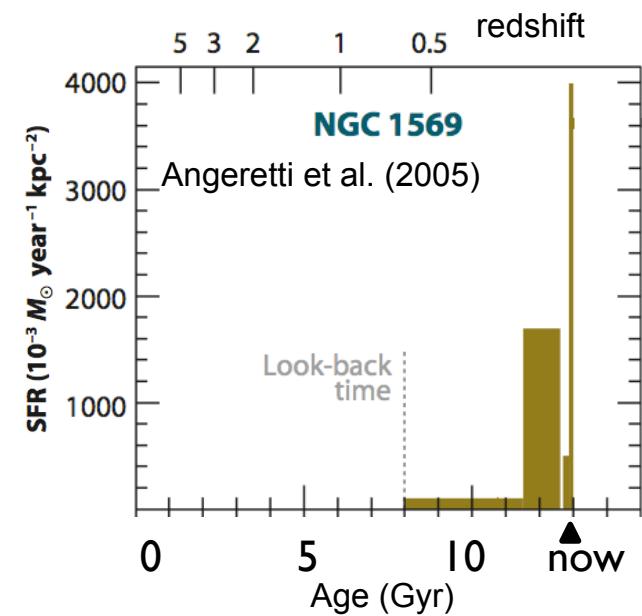
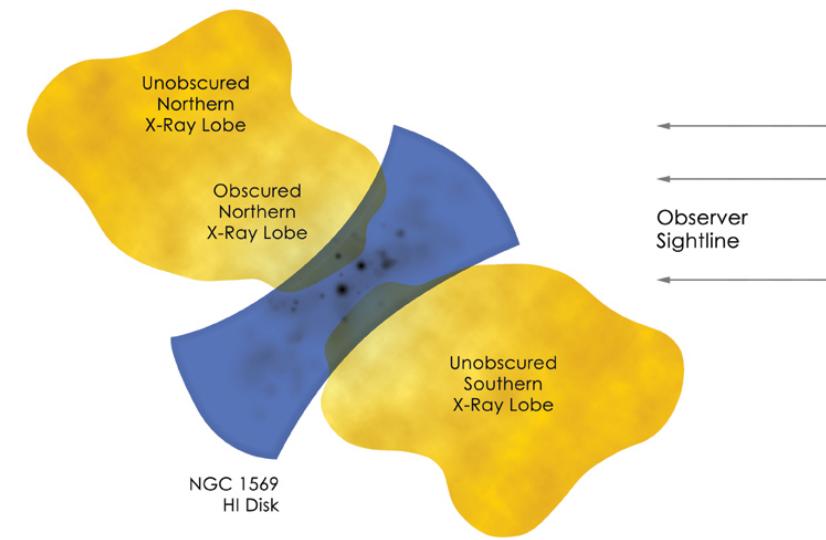
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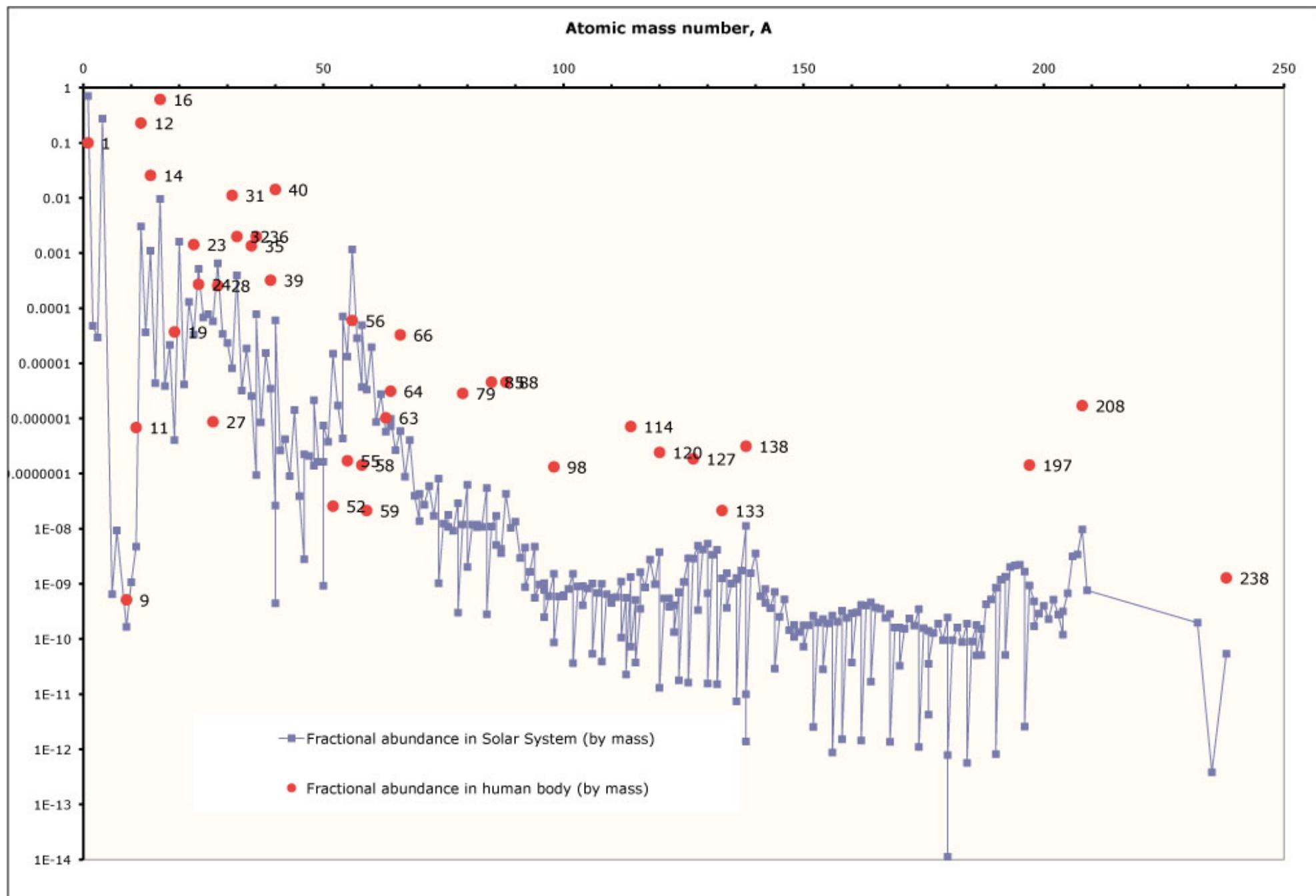
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Galactic Outflows (& Infall?)



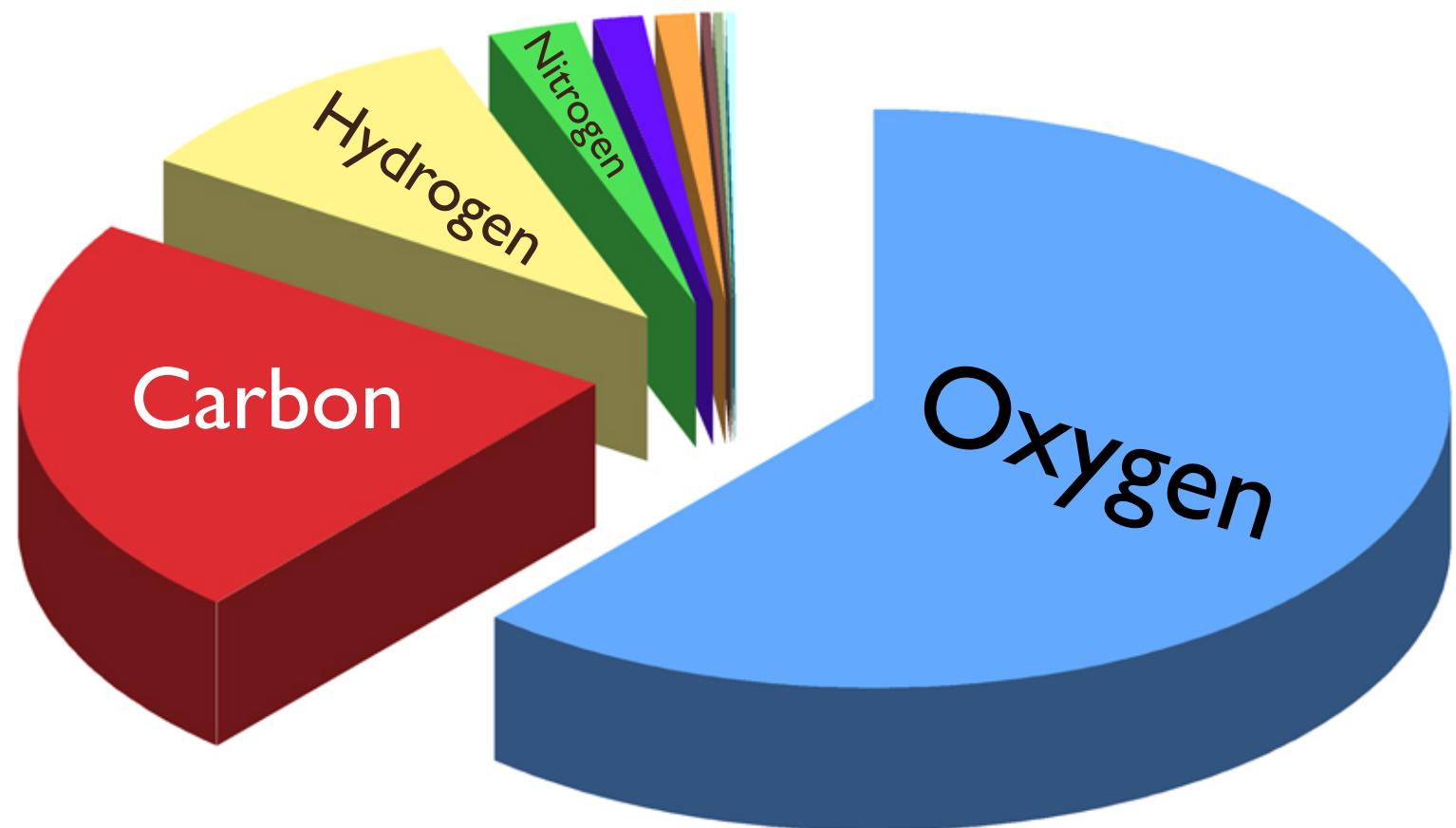
Gas circulation!





99% of the mass of the human body is made up of the six elements: oxygen, carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, calcium, and phosphorus.

Composition of human body (by mass)

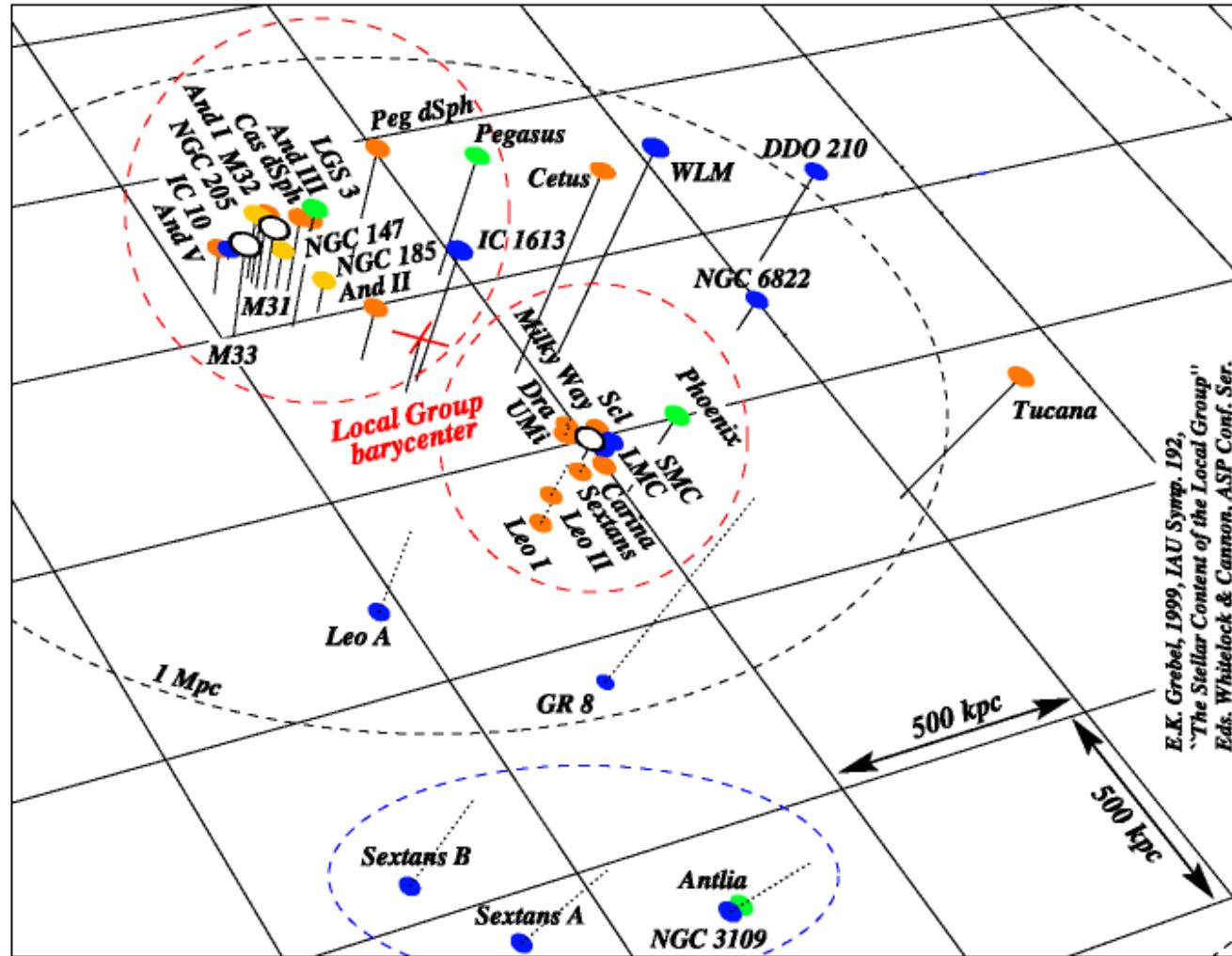


- Oxygen
- Carbon
- Hydrogen
- Nitrogen
- Calcium
- Phosphorus
- Sulphur
- Potassium
- Sodium
- Chlorine
- Magnesium
- Silicon
- Iron
- Fluorine
- Zinc
- Rubidium
- Strontium
- Bromine
- Lead
- Copper
- Aluminium
- Cadmium
- Boron
- Barium
- Tin
- Iodine
- Manganese
- Nickel
- Gold
- Molybdenum
- Chromium
- Caesium
- Cobalt
- Uranium
- Beryllium

Where did it all come from?

- hydrogen (in water) — Big Bang (17 minutes)
- oxygen, carbon, nitrogen, calcium, phosphorous, sulphur, potassium, sodium etc. — gradual (millions to billions of years) fusion reactions in stars: spread by planetary nebulae and supernovæ
- iron — supernovæ: creation and distribution

The Local Group



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