

The "vast polar structures" (VPOSS)  
around  
the *Milky Way, Andromeda,*  
and other galaxies,  
and the implications thereof for  
fundamental physics

based on Kroupa, 2012;  
<http://adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2012PASA...29..395K>

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Prelude

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## *Standard model of physics :*

Computation and prediction of  
dynamical structures  
(particles and their excited states).

Until now excellent agreement  
with experiments  
(e.g. LHC).

## *Standard model of cosmology :*

Computations and predictions of  
dynamical structures  
(galaxies and their satellite galaxies).

This talk  
and our work in Bonn.

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## *Standard model of cosmology :*

**Postulate I :** Einstein's field equation is  
valid everywhere

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu} R + g_{\mu\nu}\Lambda = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{\mu\nu}$$

where  $R_{\mu\nu}$  is the Ricci curvature tensor,  $R$  the scalar curvature,  $g_{\mu\nu}$  the metric tensor,  $\Lambda$  is the cosmological constant,  $G$  is Newton's gravitational constant,  $c$  the speed of light in vacuum, and  $T_{\mu\nu}$  the stress-energy tensor.

**Postulate II :** Matter is conserved

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## *Standard model of cosmology :*

**Assumptions are immediately falsified :**

- Prediction of a highly curved highly inhomogeneous universe
- Prediction of falling *rotation curves* of galaxies and *structure formation* too slow

**Solution:**

- Postulate a mathematical trick (*inflation*) **not understood**
- Postulate existence of unknown exotic matter (*dark matter*) **not found**

**But this also does not work:**

- Universe expands today faster, than it should

**Solution:**

- Postulate a mathematical trick (*dark energy*) **not understood**

**Problem :**

- Model (=*Standard Model of Cosmology = LCDM*)  
does **not conserve energy**

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# Prelude Conclusion

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I was never against dark matter,  
but when in 2010 I studied the SMoC  
I had to conclude that it is the  
*positively worst theoretical construction*  
I have ever come across.

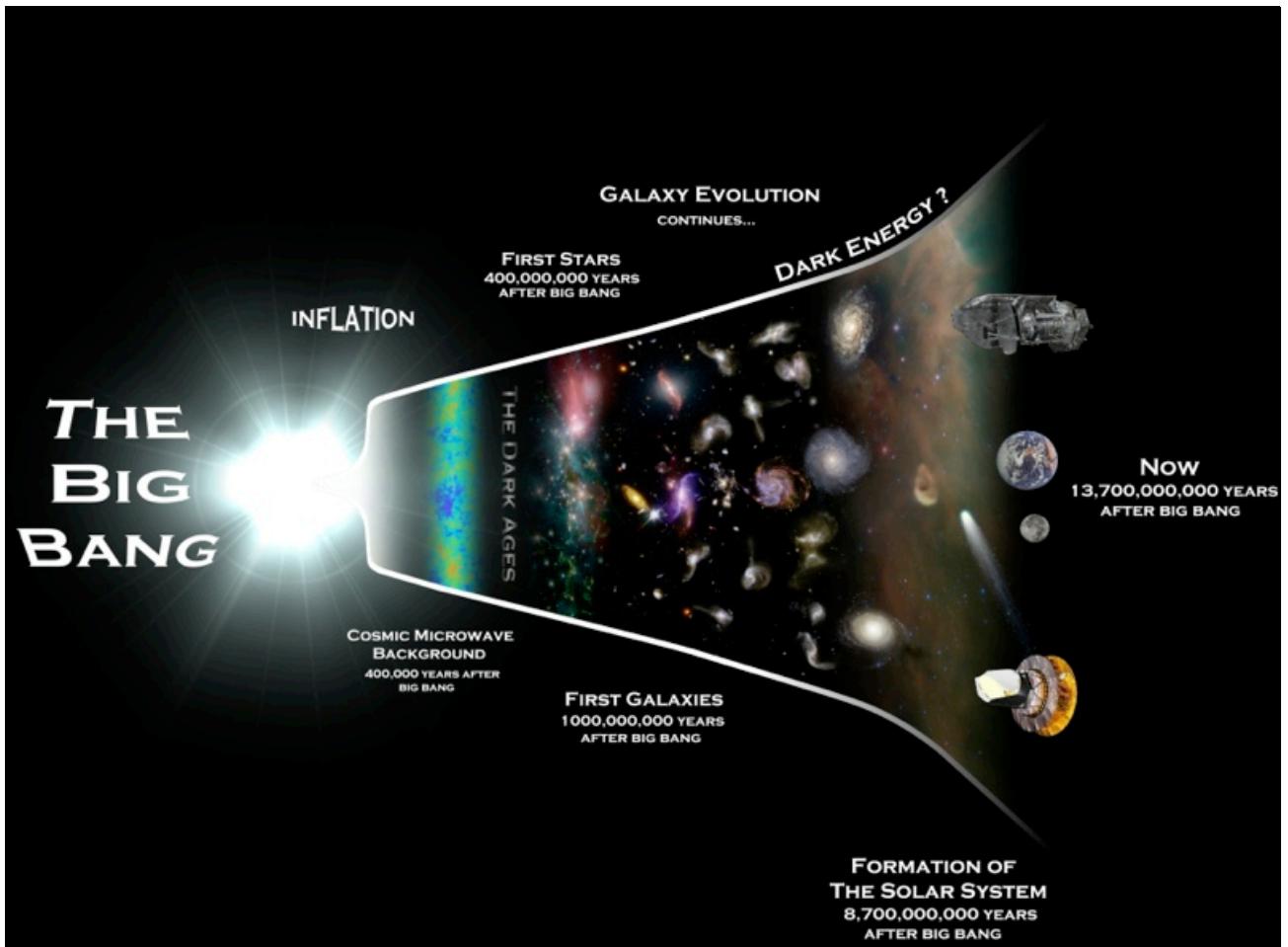
... but this statement does not  
constitute a falsification of a model !

Assume the standard model of cosmology (SMoC)  
is a valid description of the universe,  
then test it where the data are of best quality ...

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# Consequence I

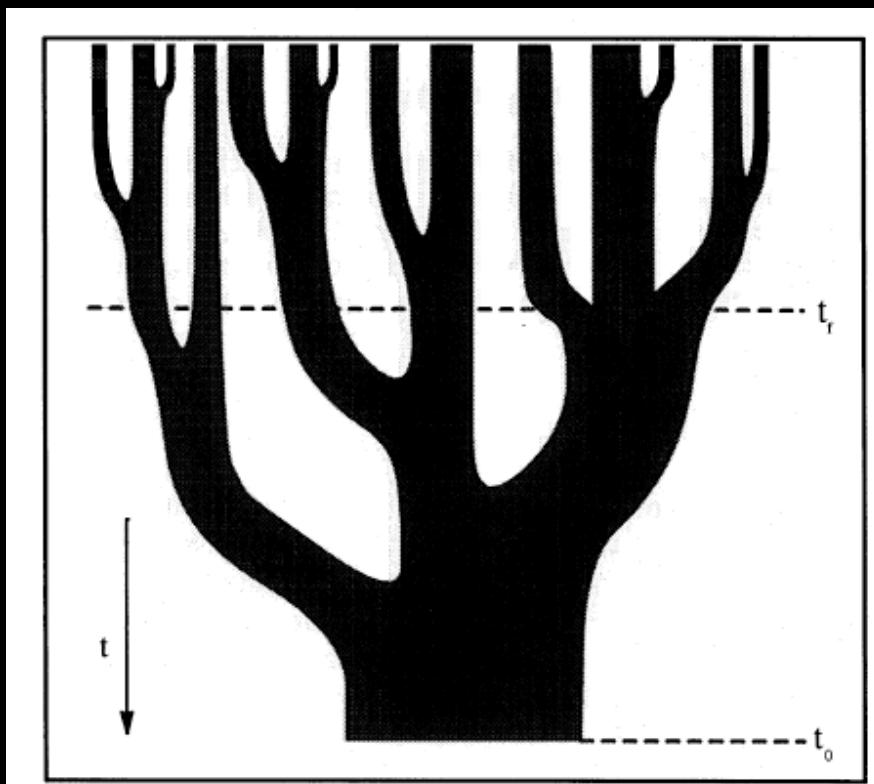
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Structures form according to the cosmological merger tree

Lacey & Cole  
(1993)



the  
beginning  
Big Bang

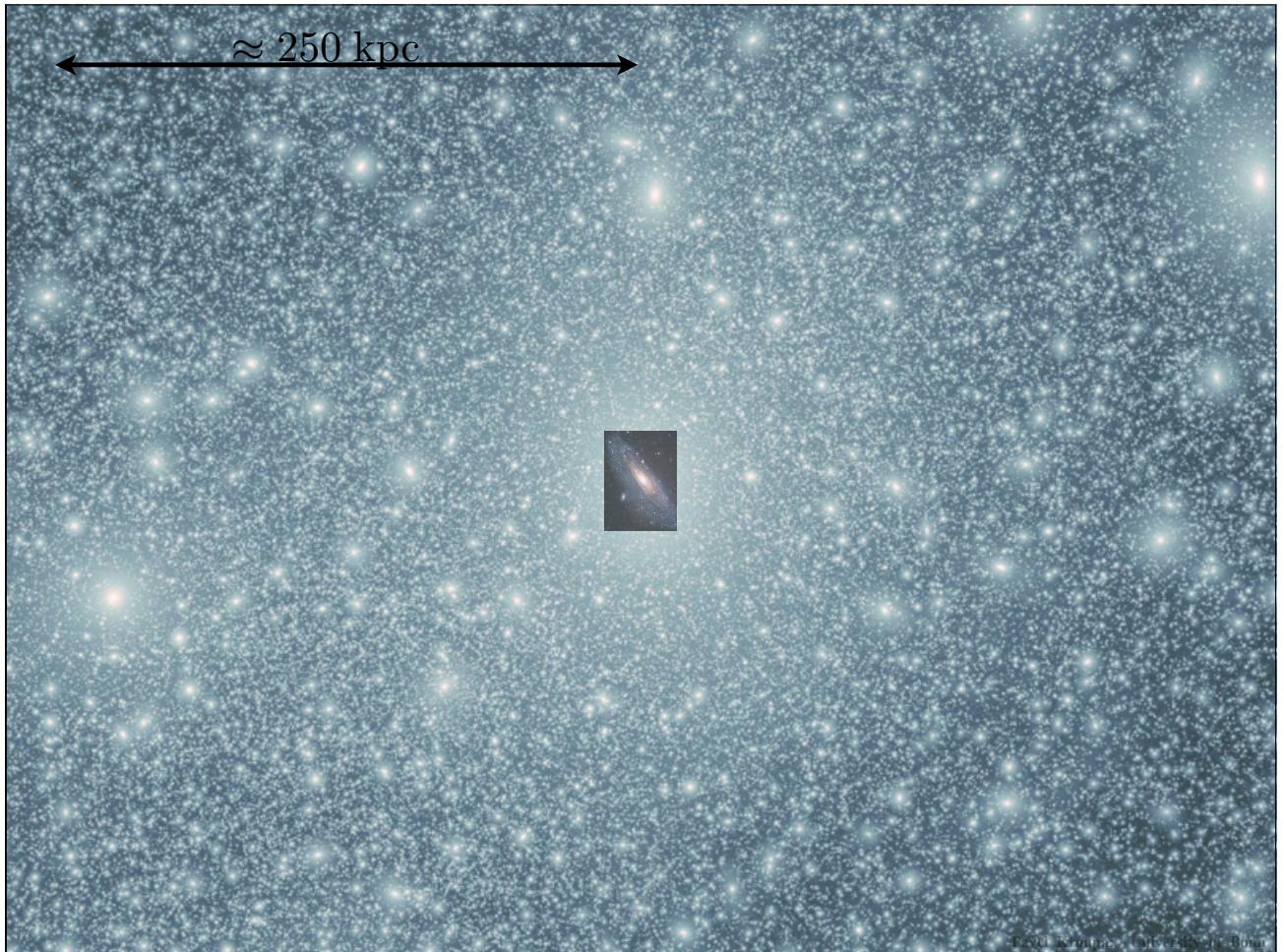
DM sub-  
structures  
form first and  
coalesce to  
larger  
structures

today

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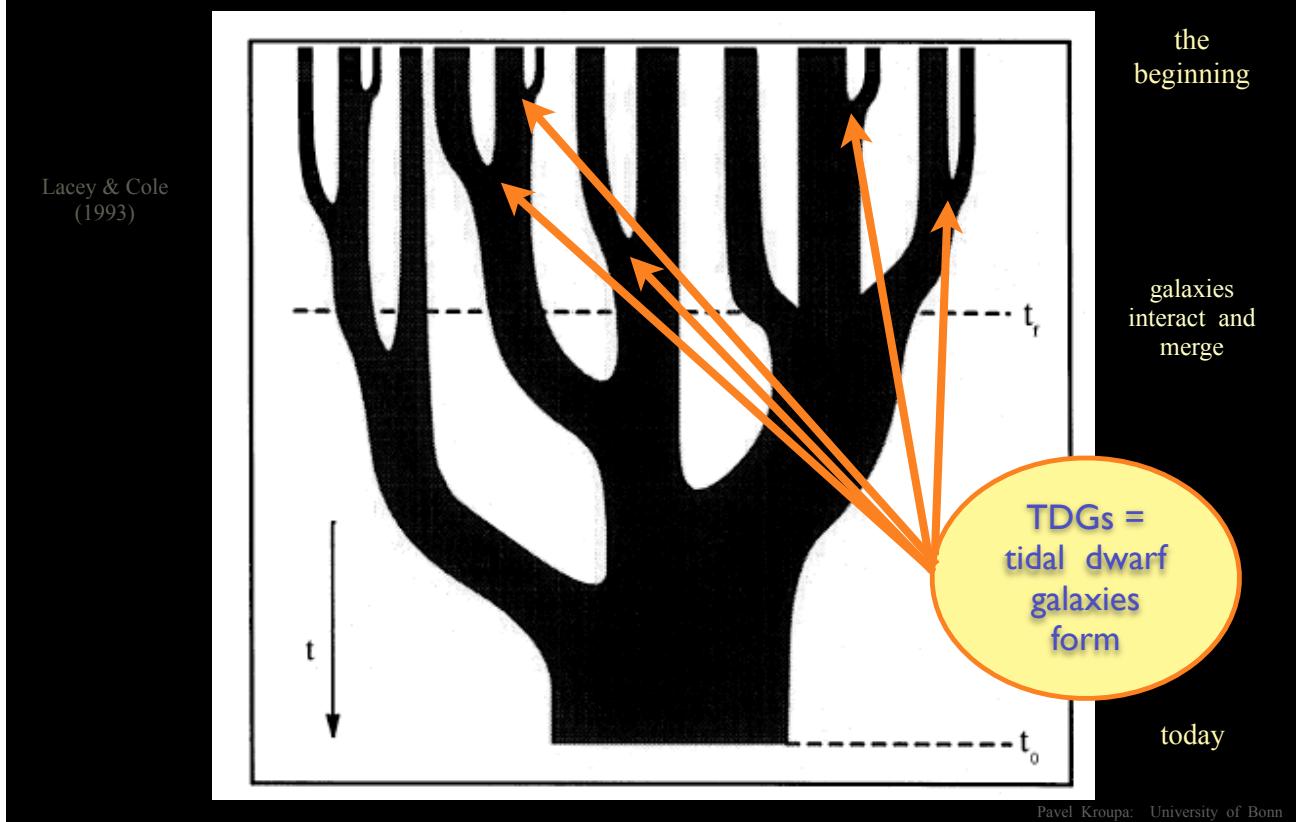
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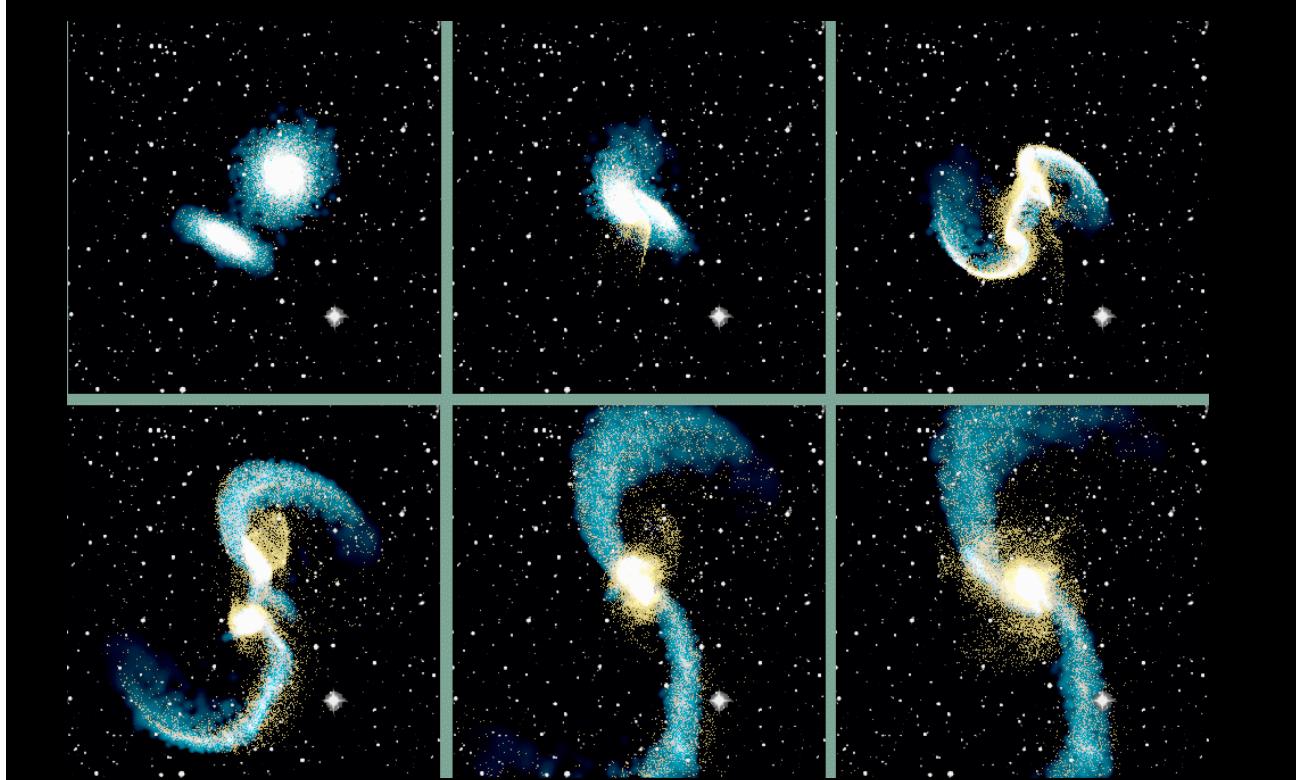
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## Tidal tails

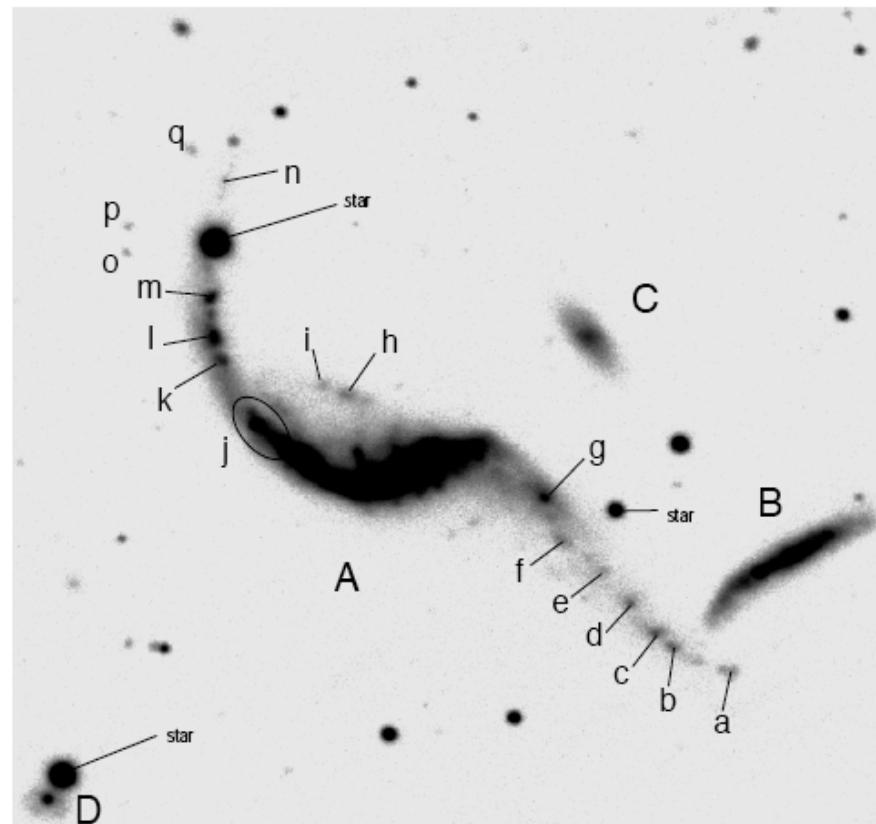


Mihos & Maxwell, web

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(Weilbacher et al. 2000)

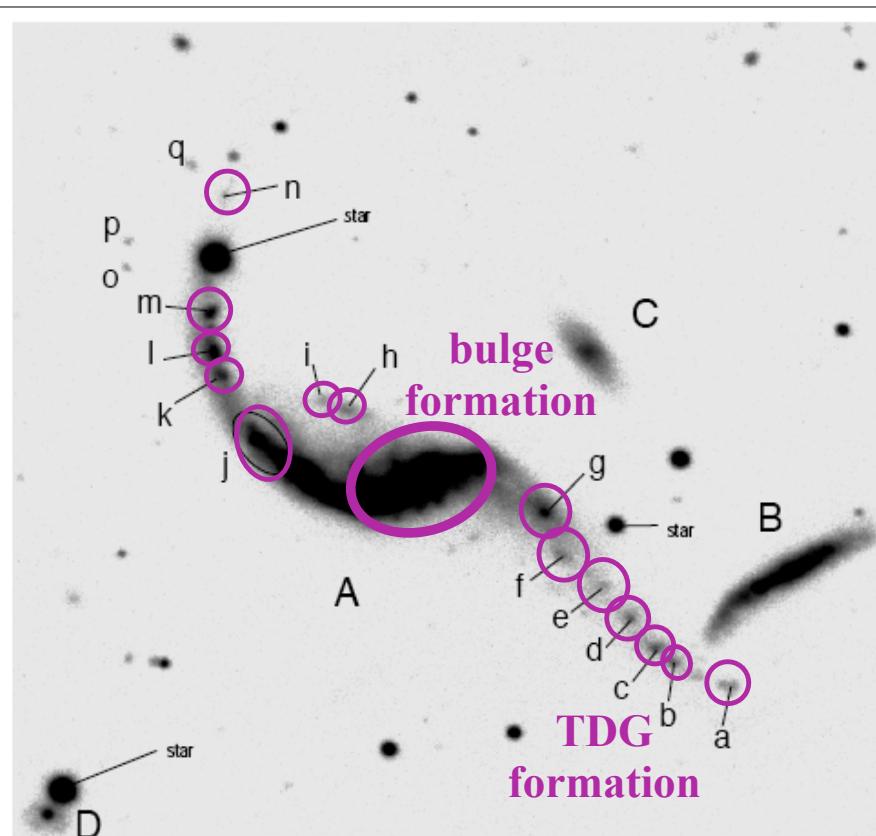
$$N_{\text{TDG}} \approx 14$$

**Fig. 21.** Identification chart of field 10 around AM 1353-272.

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(Weilbacher et al. 2000)

*Phase-space correlated satellites form naturally in the same event as a **bulge** does.*

**Fig. 21.** Identification chart of field 10 around AM 1353-272.

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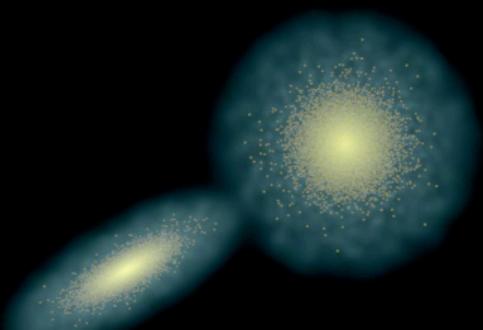


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Relevance : The collision of two disks at high redshift

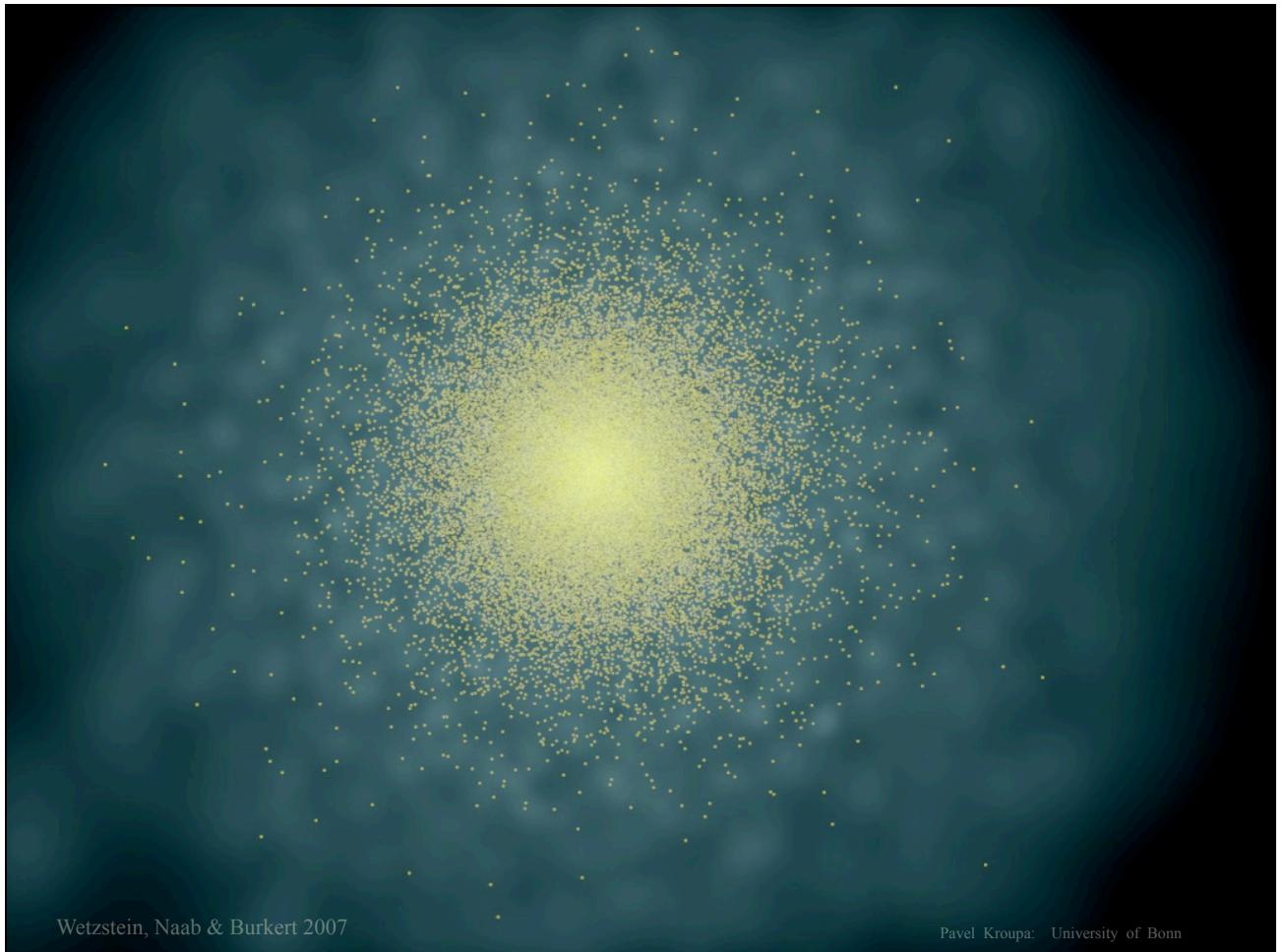


Wetzstein, Naab & Burkert 2007

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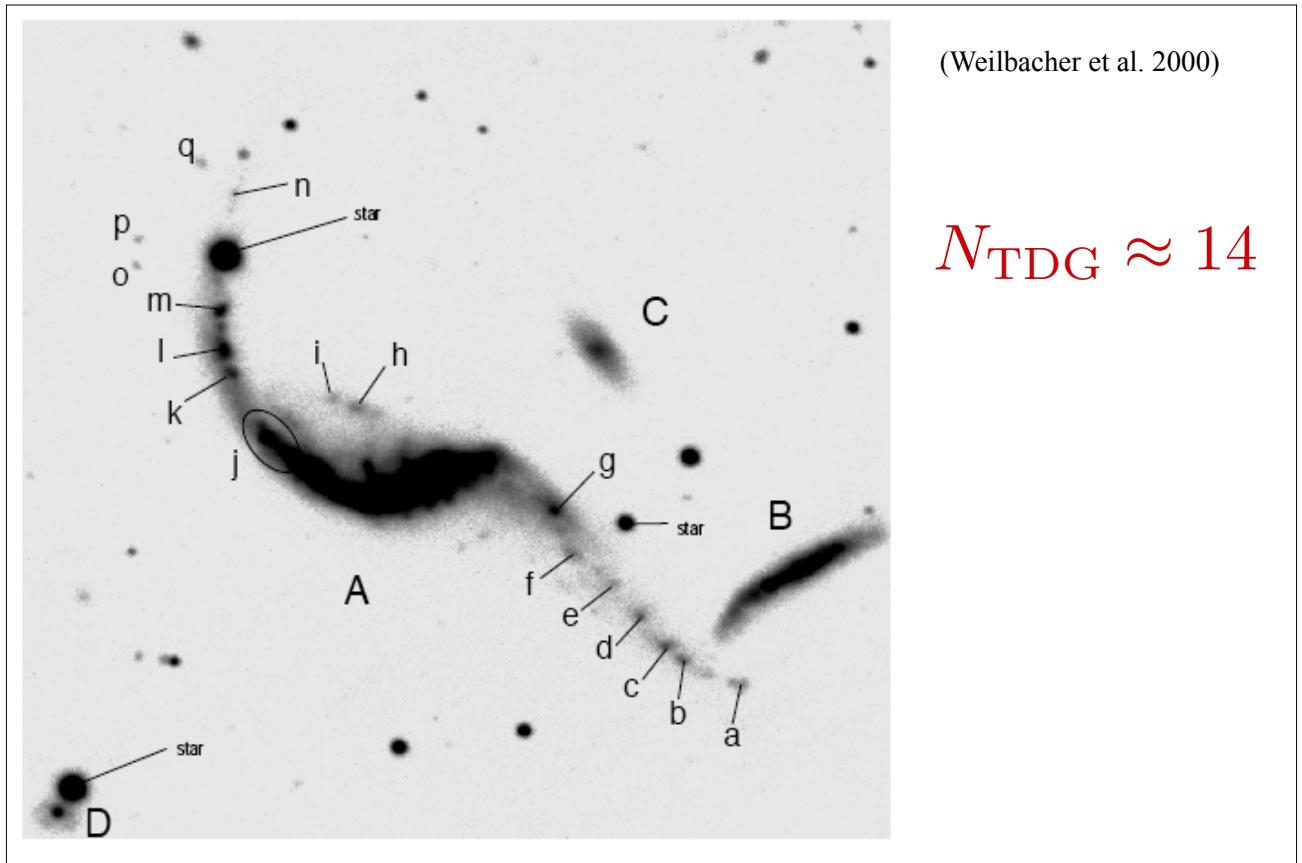
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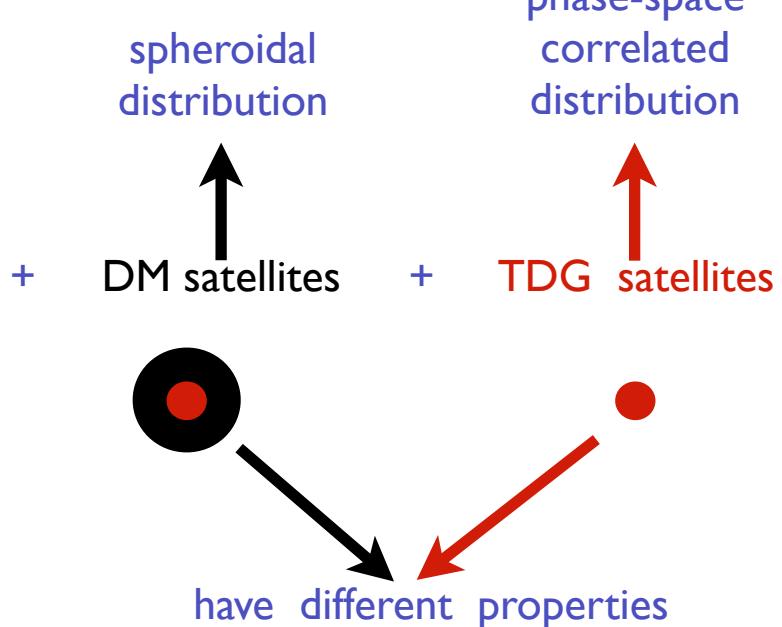
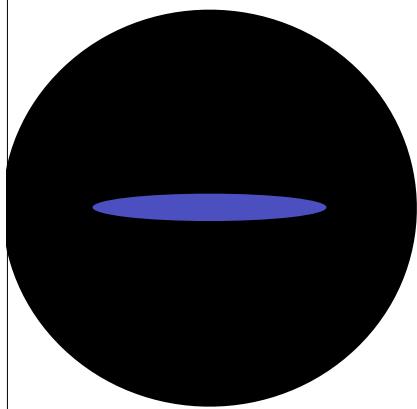
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**Thus in the  
*Standard Model of Cosmology*  
(SMoC)**  
**a galaxy must look as follows:**



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*The Dual Dwarf Galaxy Theorem* must be true if the SMoC is true :

*The Dual Dwarf Galaxy Theorem :*

$$\text{SMoC} \Rightarrow \exists \text{ Type A dwarfs} \wedge \text{Type B dwarfs}$$

Kroupa 2012

with Dark Matter (DM)      TDGs w/o DM

spheroidal distribution

phase-space correlation

If only one type exists then  
the Dual Dwarf Galaxy Theorem  
is falsified.

Is there any evidence for the co-existence of two types of dwarf galaxy ?

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# Testing the dual dwarf galaxy theorem

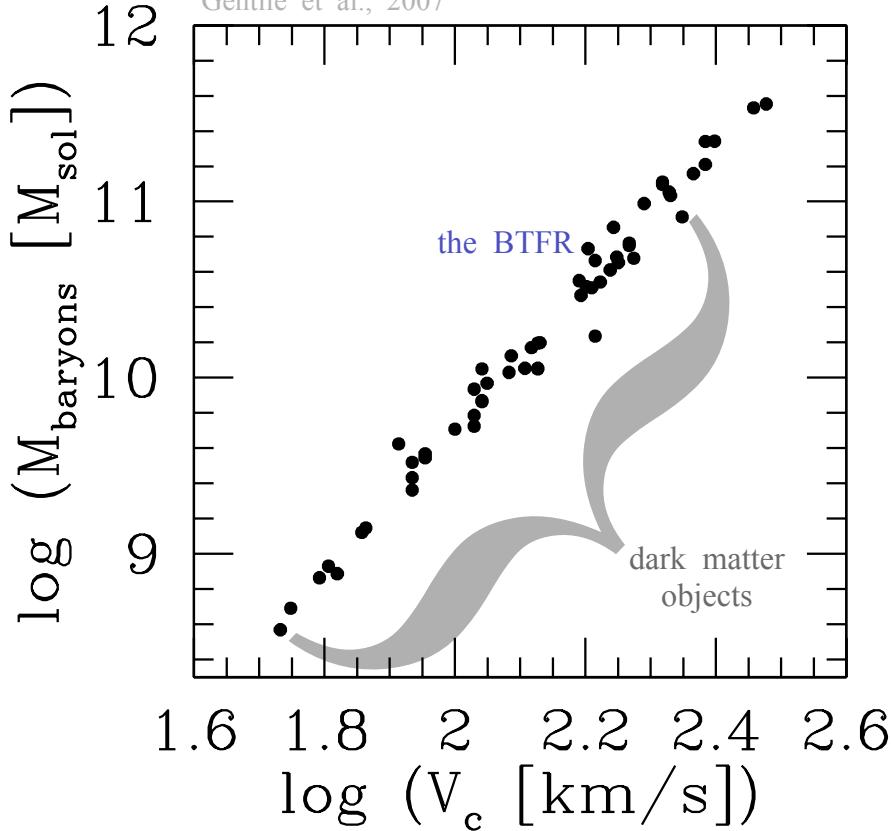
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## Rotationally-supported stellar systems

Gentile et al., 2007



## The Baryonic Tully -Fisher Relation :

If the SMoC is true  
then the  
BTFR  
**must**  
be given  
by the dark matter halo  
and  
tidal dwarf galaxies  
**cannot**  
lie on the same BTFR !

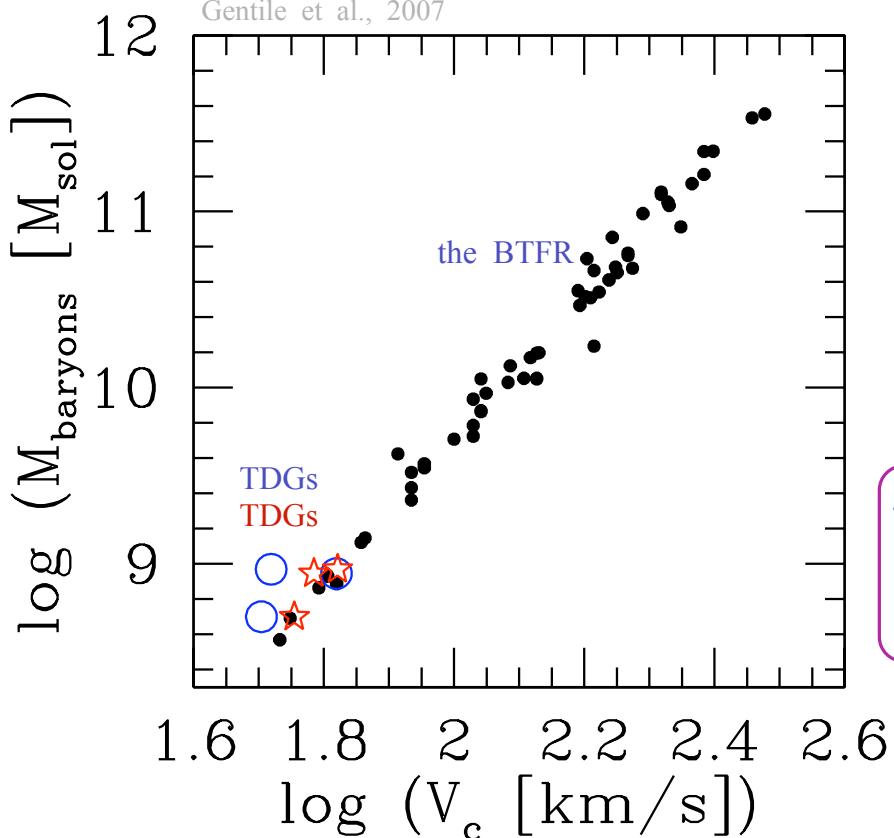
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## Rotationally-supported stellar systems

Gentile et al., 2007



## The Baryonic Tully -Fisher Relation :

But TDGs do lie on the same BTFR !?

galaxies with dark matter  
=  
galaxies w/o dark matter  
!

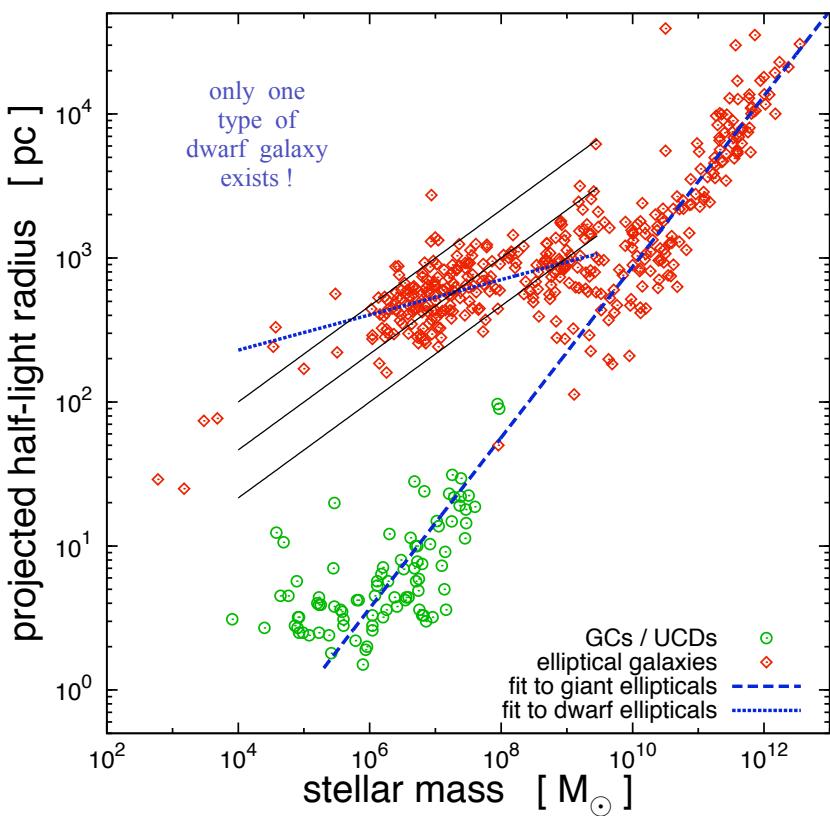
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## Pressure / random-motion supported stellar systems

Dabringhausen et al. 2012



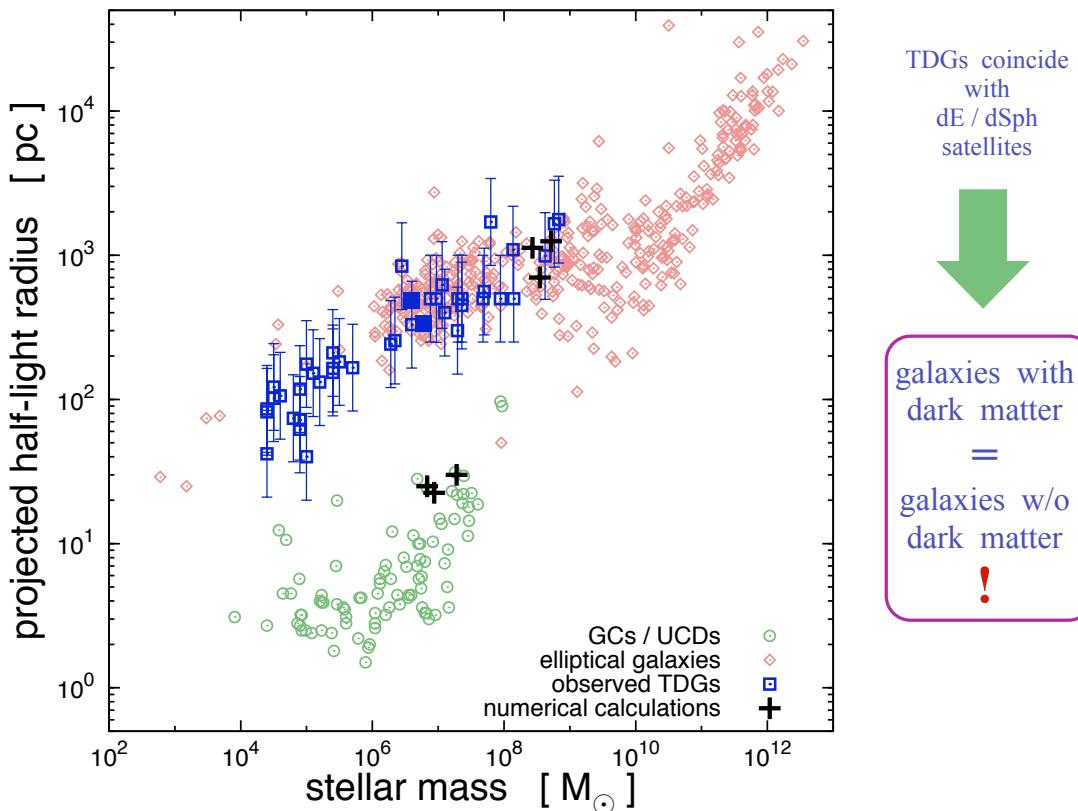
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Dabringhausen & Kroupa 2013

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# THE END

## Consistency Checks

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Dabringhausen & Kroupa 2013

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with DM

TDGs w/o DM

spheroidal distribution

phase-space correlation

*consistency check next...*

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then  
they ought to be in a  
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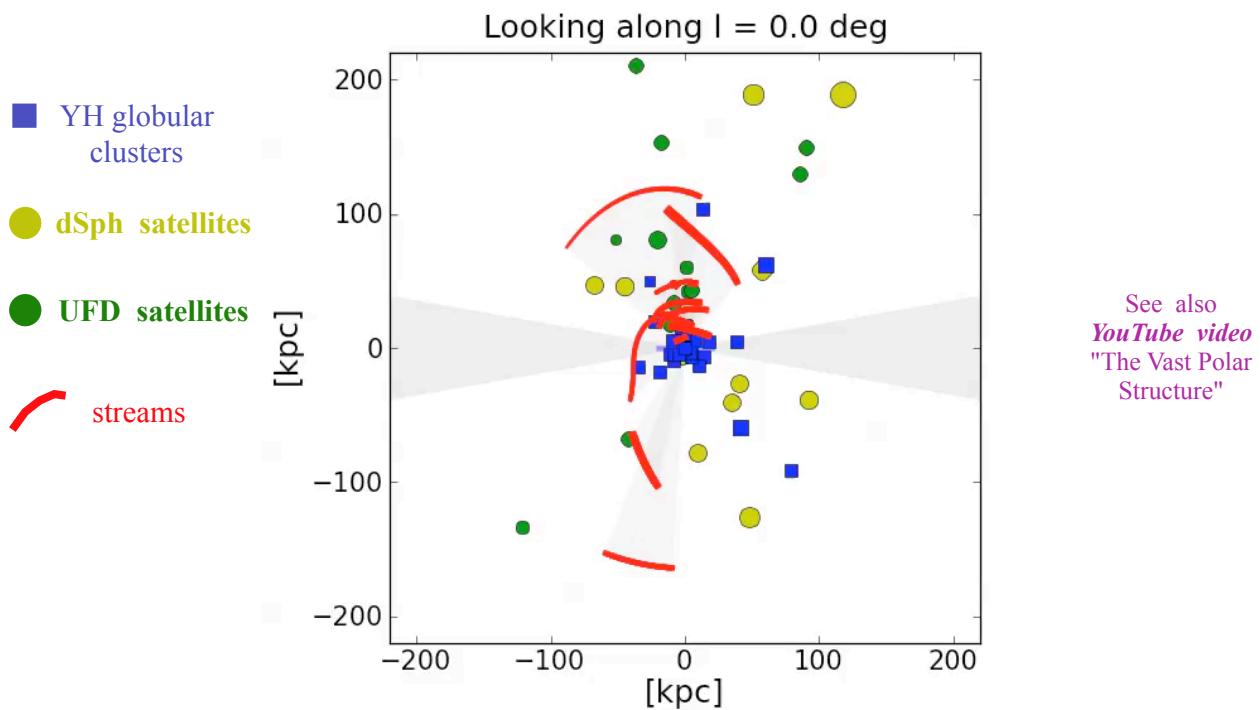
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## Vast Polar Structure around the Milky Way

Pawlowski et al. 2012



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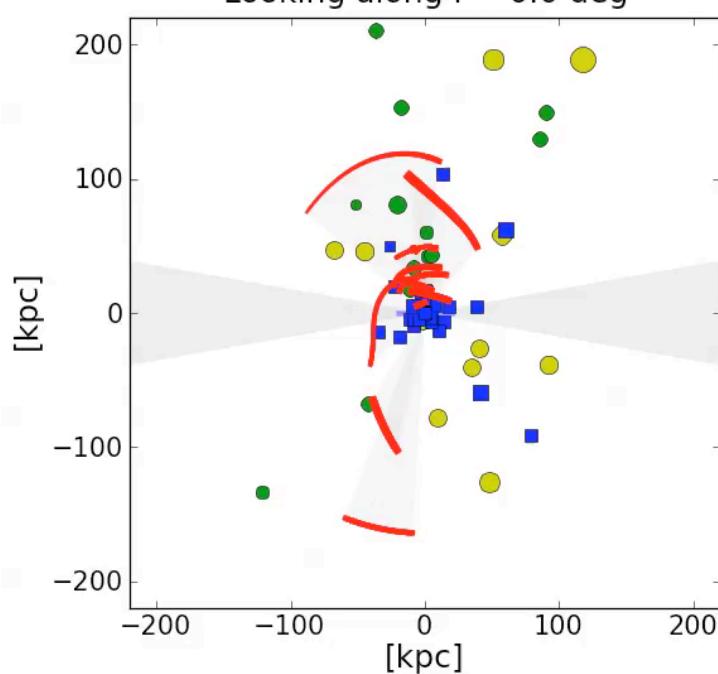
Looking along  $I = 0.0$  deg

■ YH globular clusters

● dSph satellites

● UFD satellites

streams



See also  
[YouTube video](#)  
 "The Vast Polar Structure"

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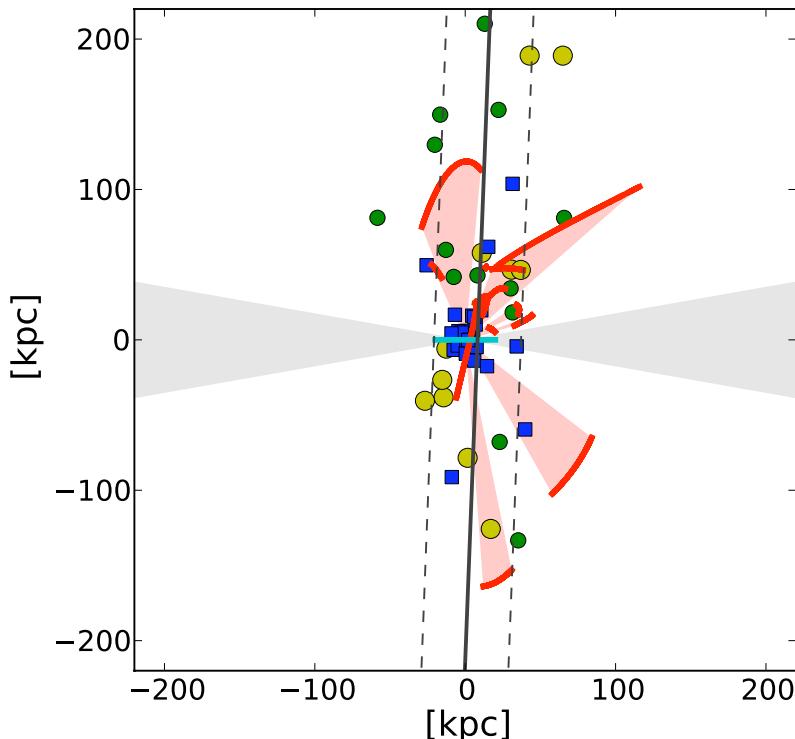
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## Vast Polar Structure around the MW

Pawlowski et al. 2012

VPOS edge-on



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# Consistency Check I

If  
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YES they are !



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If the MW satellites are DM dominated sub-halos,  
then

- A) they have to have fallen-in recently ( $z < 1$ ) in order to be  
arranged in the DoS/VPOS  
Deason et al. (2011)

AND

- B) they have to have fallen in a long time ago ( $z = 3-10$ ) in order  
for them to have lost their gas  
Nichols & Bland-Hawthorn (2011)

A and B are mutually exclusive.

==> further logical inconsistency of the standard cosmological model

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# *Origin of the Vast Polar Structure ?*

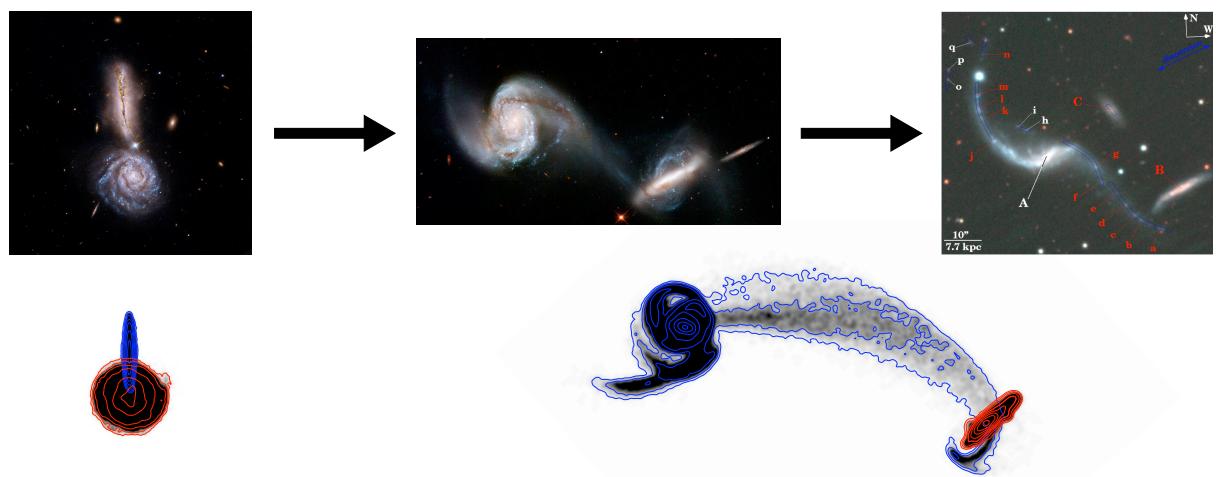
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## Phase-space-correlated tidal debris

Pawlowski et al. 2012



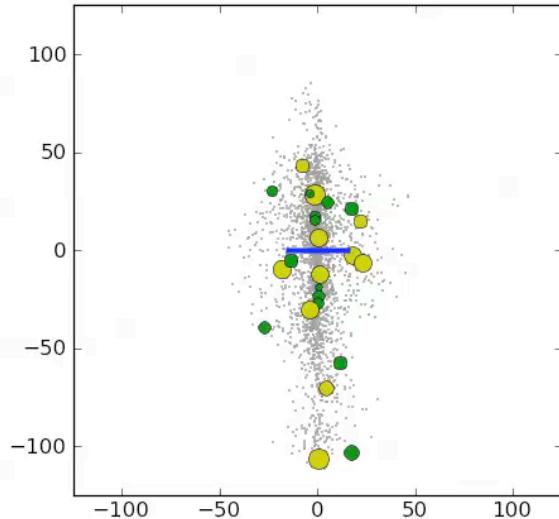
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## Fly-by encounter: e.g. Milky Way and Andromeda ? about 10-11 Gyr ago

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See also Fouquet, Hammer et al. (2012) for another elegant explanation.

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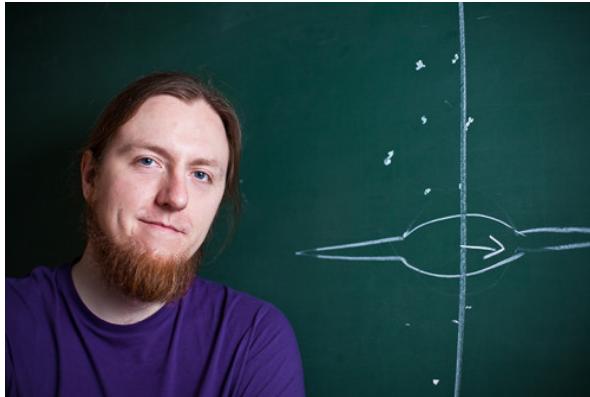
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The Milky Way satellite-galaxy system  
is thus naturally explained  
as having been born in a past encounter  
between the young Milky Way and another young galaxy.

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Marcel Pawlowski (Bonn)  
/ structure of Local Group



Joerg Dabringhausen (Bonn)  
/ properties of TDGs



Sylvia Ploeckinger (Vienna) / evolution of TDGs

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## Consistency Check II

Other, extra-galactic,  
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of satellite systems.

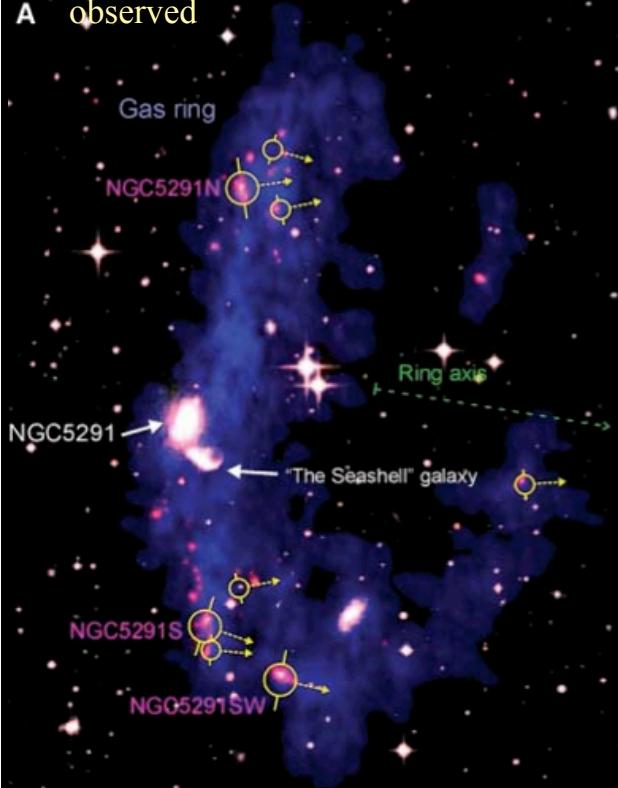
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**A** observed

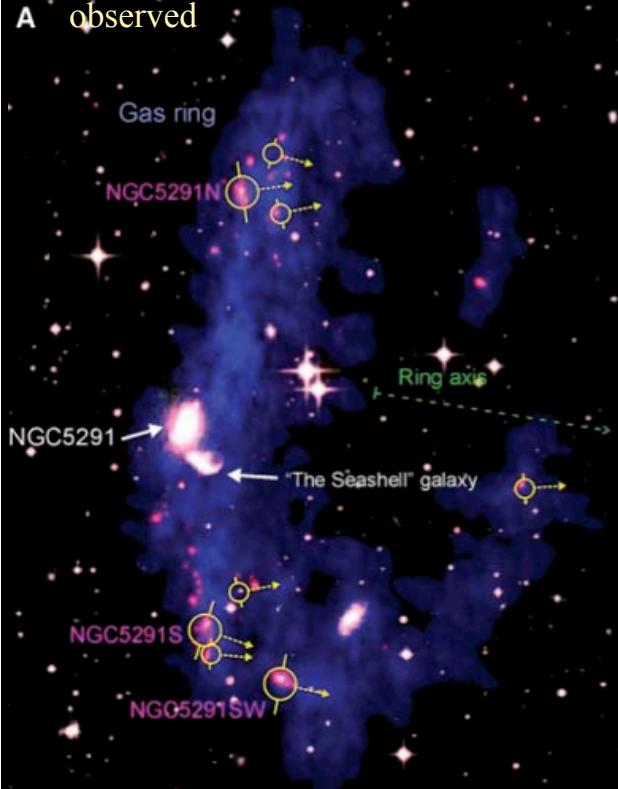


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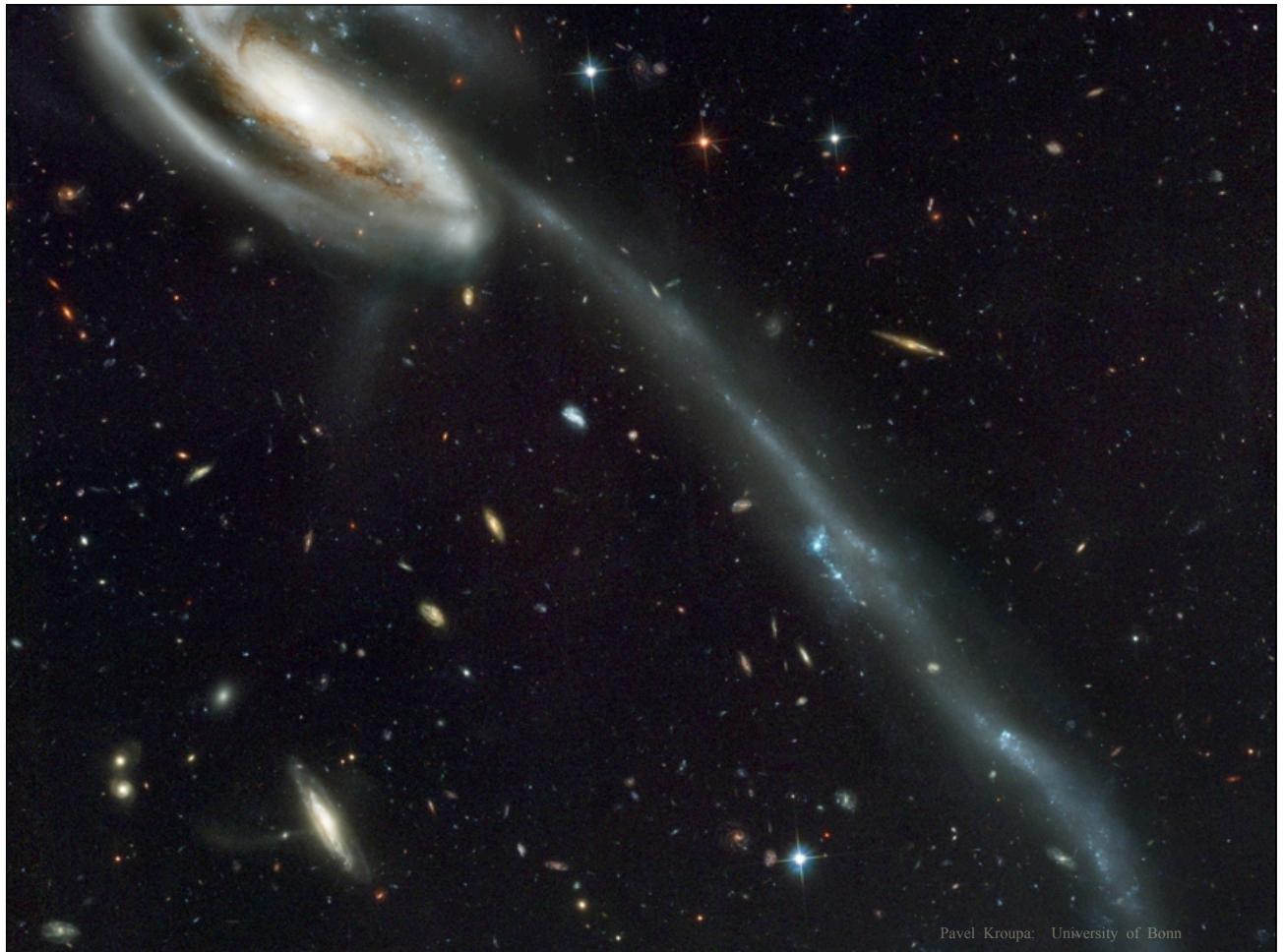
**B** model



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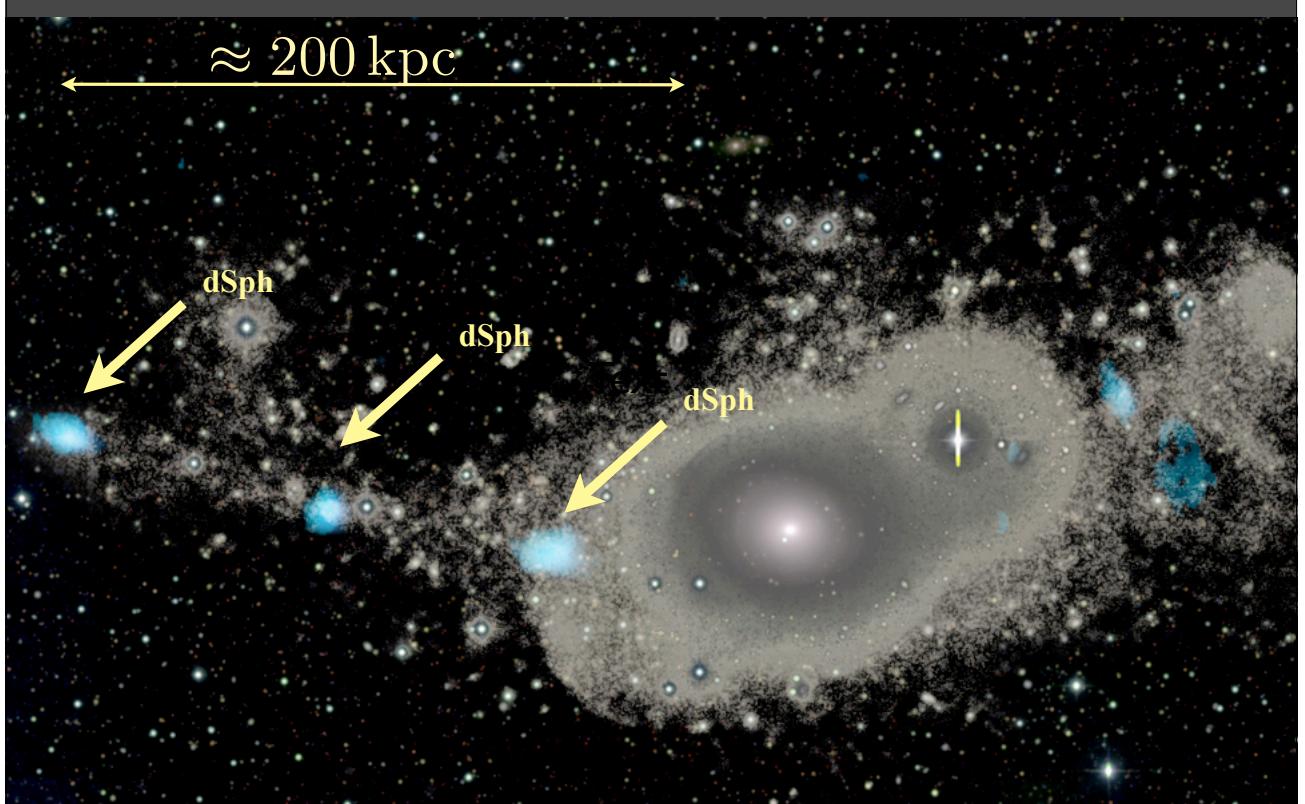
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**NGC 5557**

(post-merger 2-3 Gyr)

Duc et al. (2011  
MNRAS)

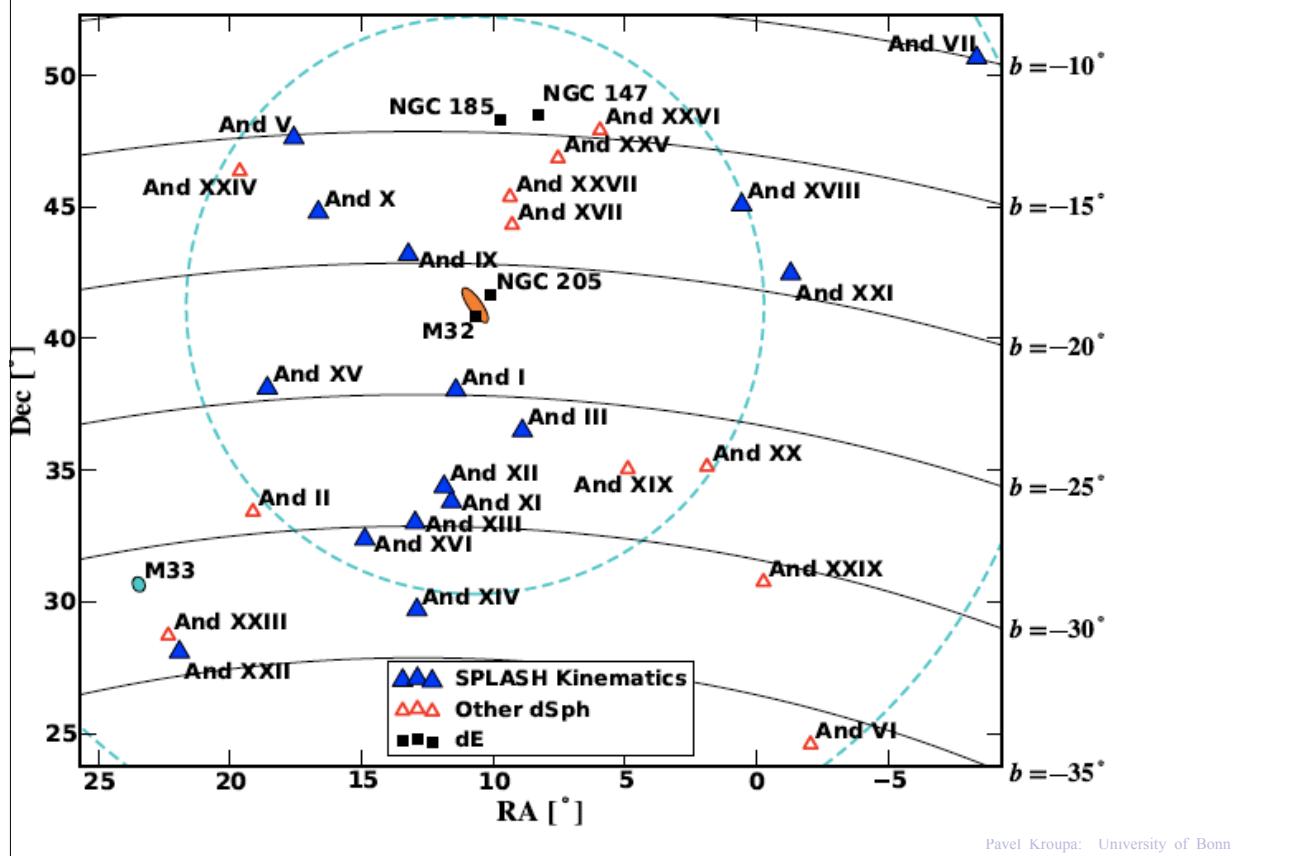


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# Andromeda

Tollerud et al. (2011,  
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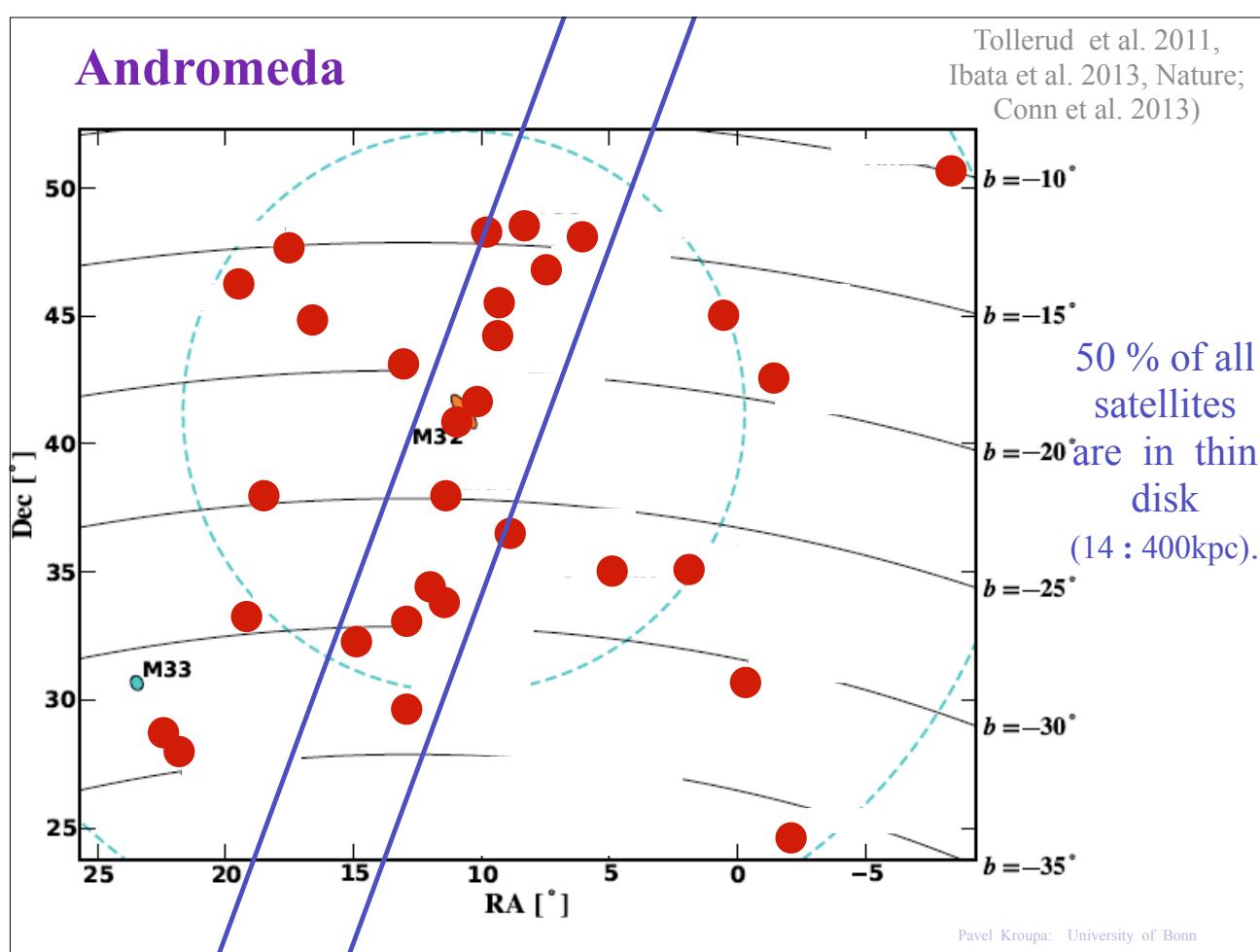


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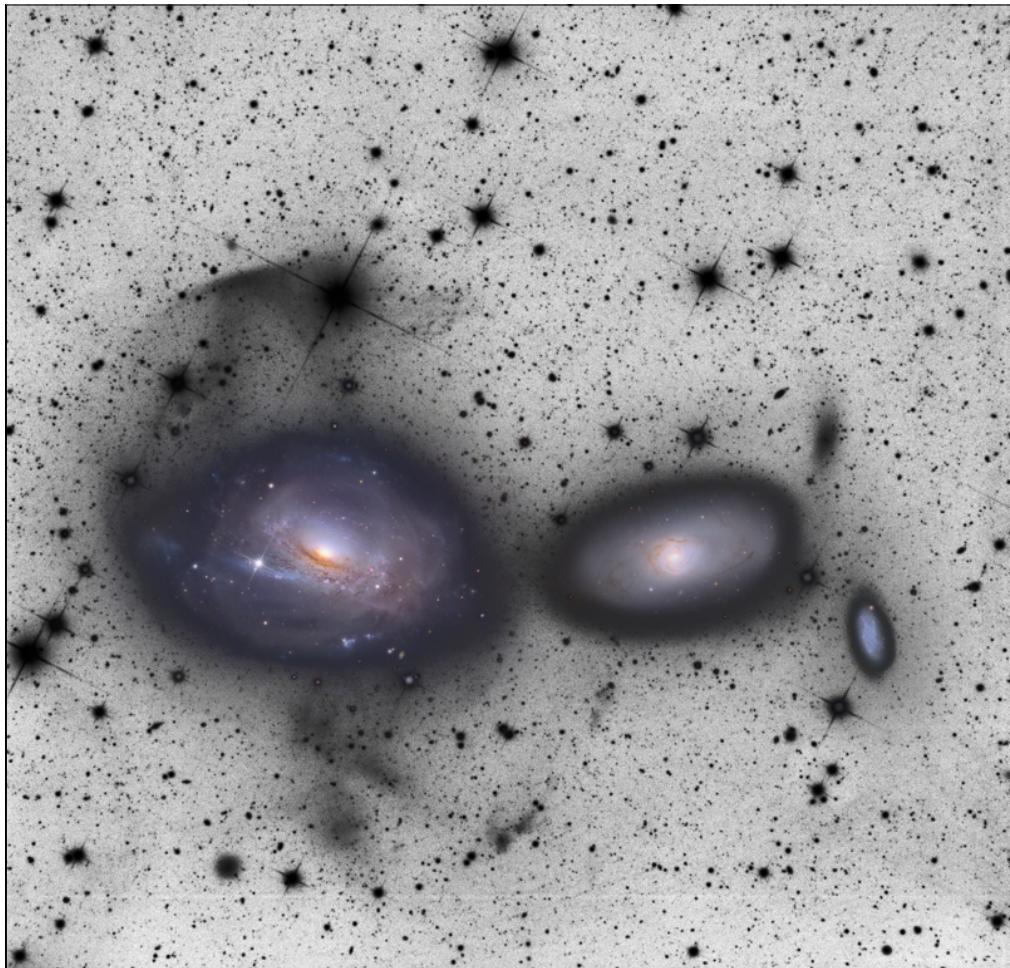
# Andromeda

Tollerud et al. 2011,  
Ibata et al. 2013, Nature;  
Conn et al. 2013)



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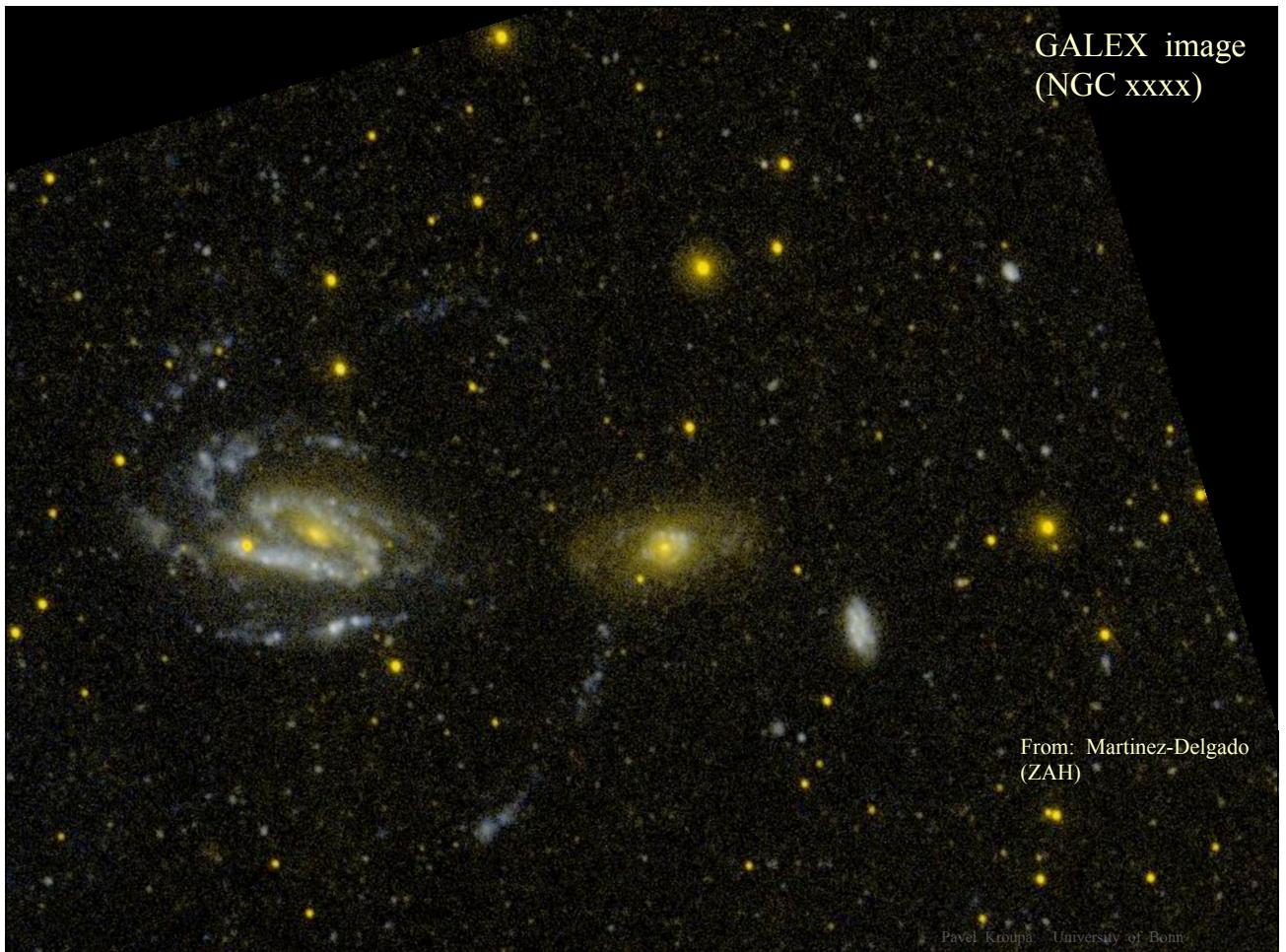
The formation  
of faint dwarf  
galaxies in the  
interaction  
between two  
spirals  
(NGC xxxx)

Credit: Martinez-Delgado  
(ZAH) and  
Adam Block (MtLemmon  
Obs)

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GALEX image  
(NGC xxxx)

From: Martinez-Delgado  
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## *Consistency Check II*

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Is the Milky Way galaxy unique or  
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NO, it is not !



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with DM

TDGs w/o DM

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## Thus:

Kroupa 2012

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$$\text{Type A dwarf} = \text{Type B dwarf} \Rightarrow \text{SMoC}$$

**has been shown**

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If this falsification is true,  
then the  
*standard model of cosmology*  
must show other and general  
discrepancies  
with data ...

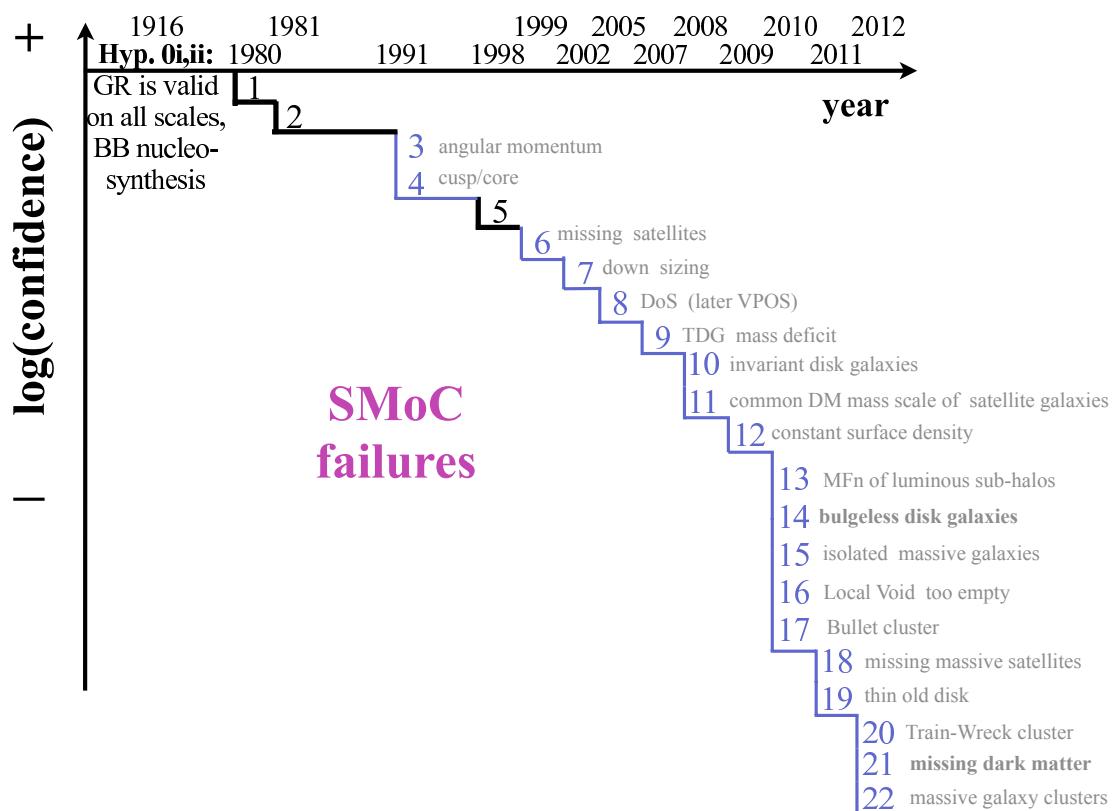
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# The Theory Confidence Graph

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Kroupa 2012

Neither the observed (real) galaxies nor the nearby 50Mpc universe show properties typical of dark matter.

Cold or warm dark matter particles therefore cannot exist.

**(Remember:** Cold or warm dark matter is postulated as a result of adopting the Einstein's field equation on galactic and cosmological scales)

The SMoC cannot be the correct description of this universe.

Which impact does this have for fundamental physics ?

Do the data on galaxy-scales contain clues ?

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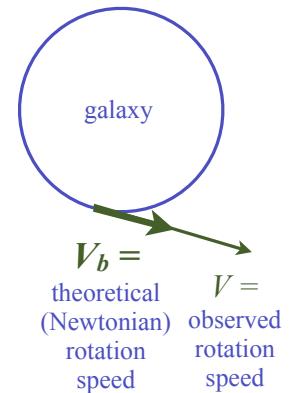
## Mass-Discrepancy correlation with acceleration

The McGaugh correlation

McGaugh 2004

Famaey & McGaugh 2012

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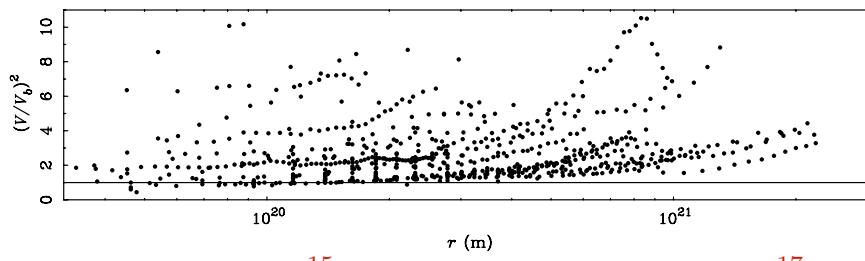
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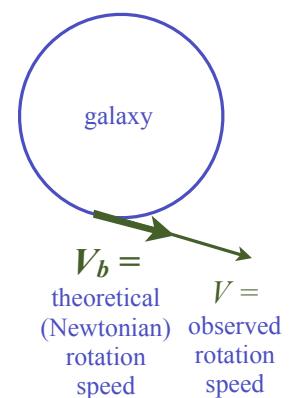
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$$1 \text{ pc} = 31 \times 10^{15} \text{ m}$$

$$1 \text{ m} = 3.2 \times 10^{-17} \text{ pc}$$

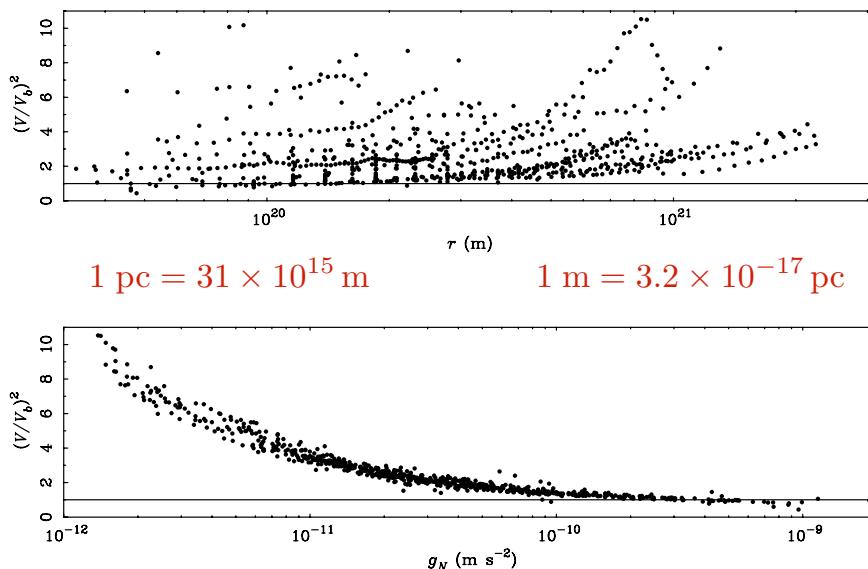


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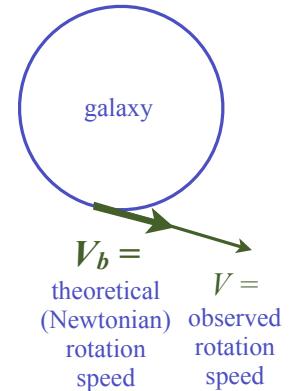
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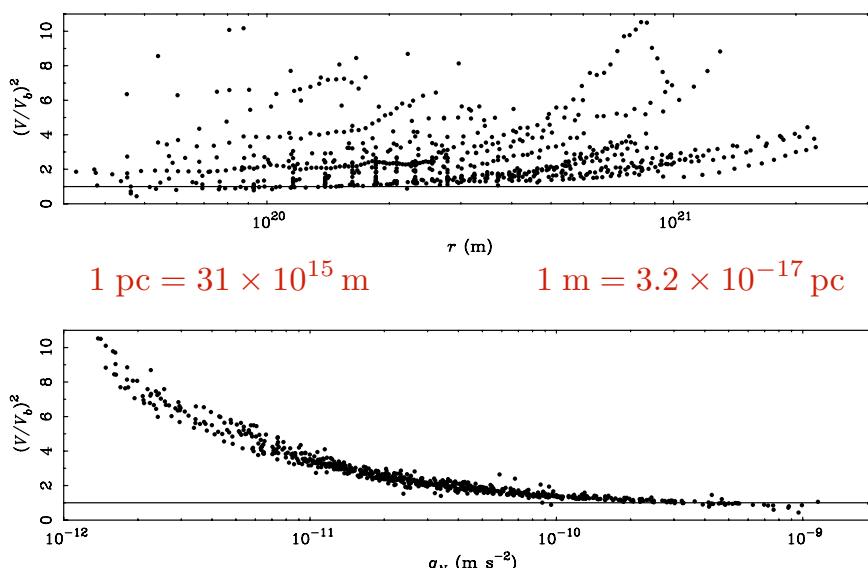


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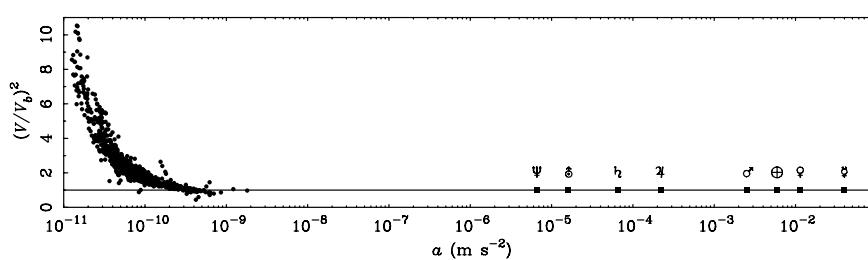
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## Mass-Discrepancy correlation with acceleration



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Correlation  
can't be  
explained by  
Dark Matter :  
DM particle  
physics is  
independent of  
the local  
acceleration in  
the SMoC.



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## Consider *space-time scale invariance*:

(Milgrom 2009; Kroupa, Pawłowski & Milgrom 2012)

If  $(t, x, y, z) \rightarrow \lambda(t, x, y, z)$

then, the Newtonian gravitational acceleration,  $g_N \propto GM/r^2$ , scales as  $g_N \rightarrow \lambda^{-2} g_N$

while the kinematical acceleration,  $\mathbf{g}$ , scales as  $\mathbf{g} \rightarrow \lambda^{-1} \mathbf{g}$   $\left[ \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{dt} \right]$

For gravitational and kinematical acceleration to also be scale invariant we thus need  $\mathbf{g}$  to scale as  $g_N^{1/2}$

$$\text{i.e. } \mathbf{g} \propto (a_o g_N)^{1/2} \quad g^2 = a_o g_N \quad \text{or} \quad a^2 = a_o g_N$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{a}{a_o} a = g_N$$

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### space-time scale invariance (from above) :

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{a}{a_o} a = g_N \quad , \text{ thus } a = \frac{\sqrt{GM}}{r} \sqrt{a_0}$$

centrifugal acceleration = centripetal acceleration

$$\rightarrow \quad a = \frac{V^2}{r} = \frac{\sqrt{GMa_0}}{r} \quad (V \equiv V_c)$$



$$V = (GMa_0)^{\frac{1}{4}}$$

the *Tully-Fisher relation!*  
and *flat rotation curves!*

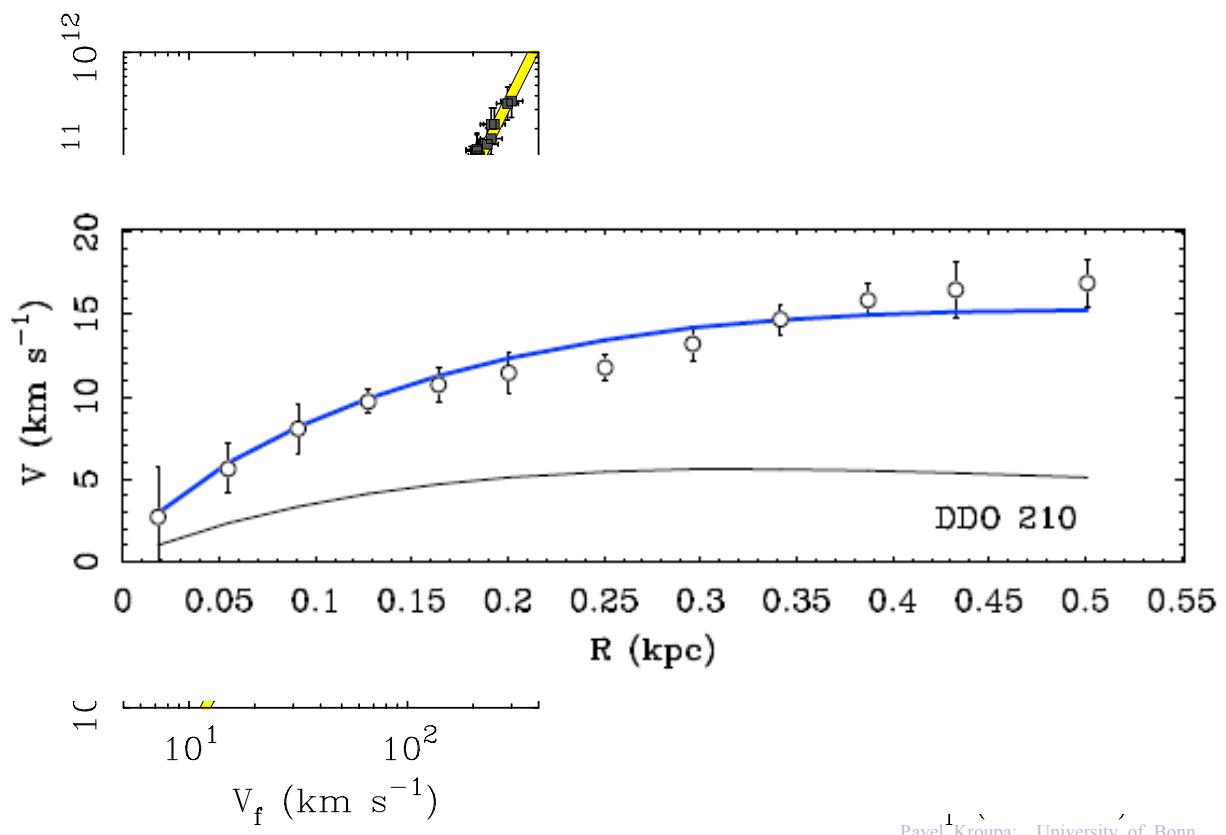
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## The observational Baryonic Tully -Fisher Relation

Famaey & McGaugh 2012



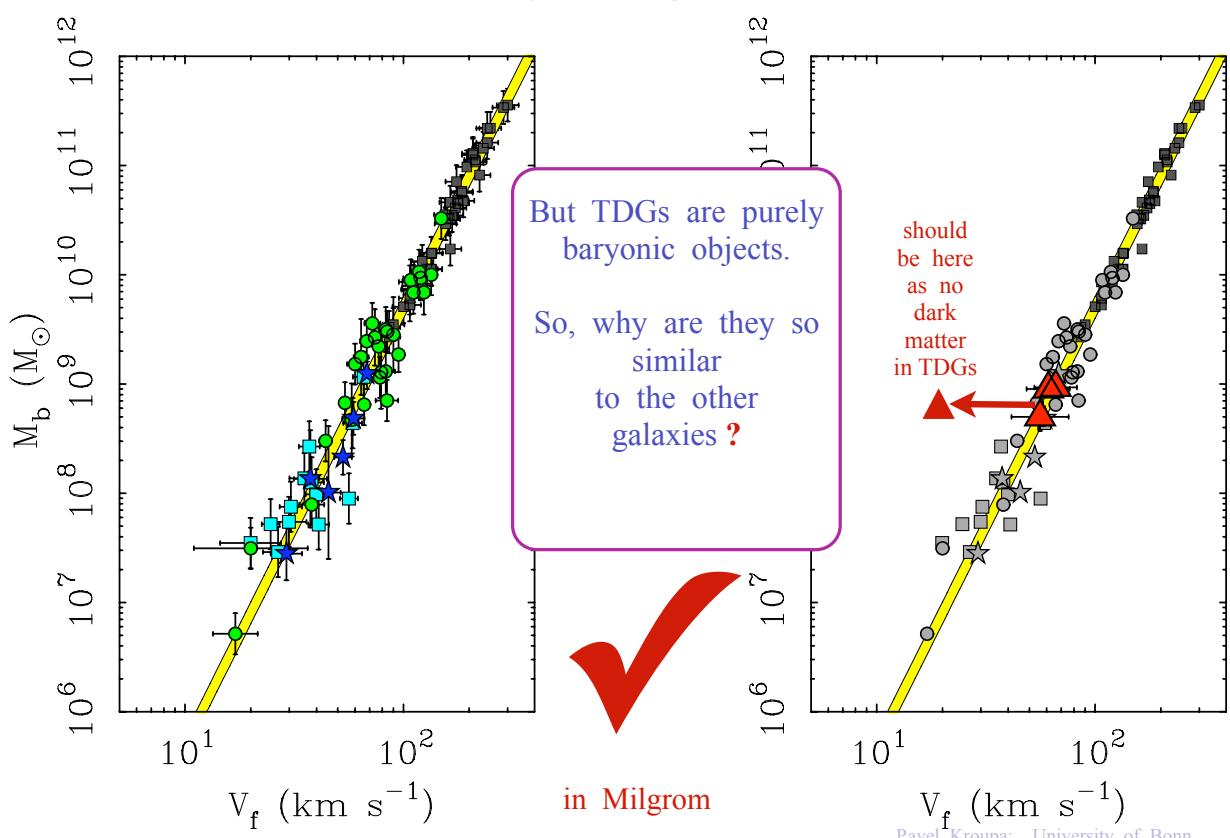
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## Consider *space-time scale invariance*:

(Milgrom 2009; Kroupa, Pawlowski & Milgrom 2012)

If  $(t, x, y, z) \rightarrow \lambda(t, x, y, z)$

$\rightarrow g^2 = a_o g_N$  or  $a^2 = a_o g_N$

i.e.  $\frac{a}{a_o} a = g_N$

Since

$$V^2 = (G a_0 M)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$V_b^2 = \frac{GM}{r}$$

$\rightarrow \left(\frac{V}{V_b}\right)^2 = \frac{(G a_0 M)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{r \frac{GM}{r^2}} = \frac{(G a_0 M)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{ra} = \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

i.e.  $\left(\frac{V}{V_b}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

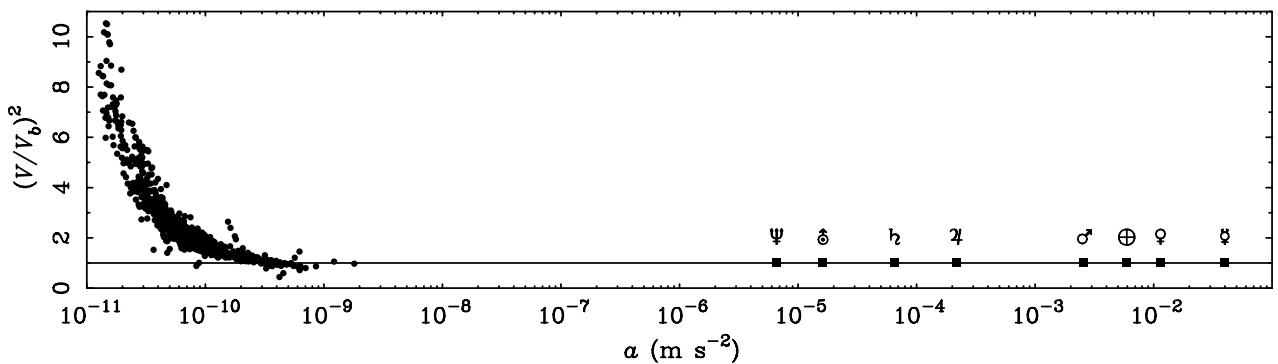
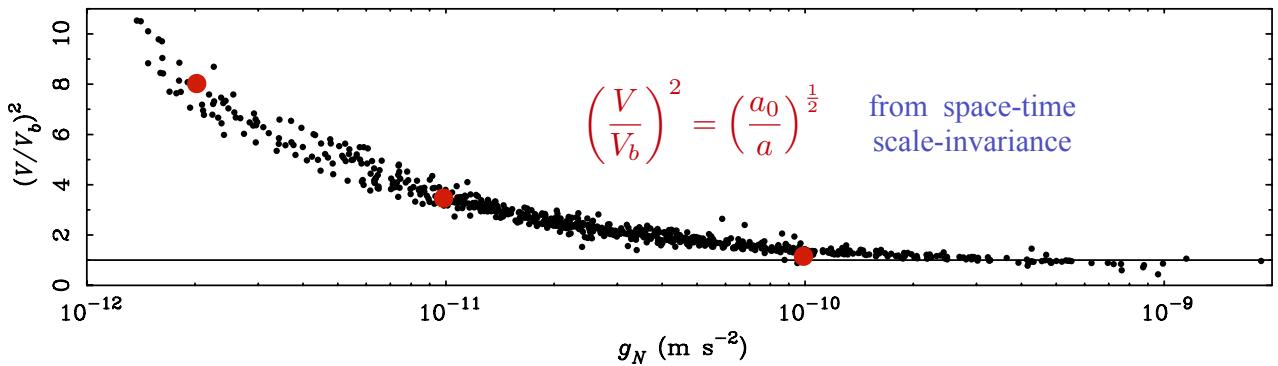
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## Mass-Discrepancy correlation with acceleration

The McGaugh correlation explained



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## *Milgromian Dynamics* from quantum mechanical processes in the vacuum

Kroupa et al. (2010), Appendix A:

"... an accelerated observer in a de Sitter universe (curved with a positive cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ ) sees a non-linear combination of the Unruh (1975) vacuum radiation and of the Gibbons & Hawking (1977) radiation due to the cosmological horizon in the presence of a positive  $\Lambda$ . Milgrom (1999) then defines inertia as a force driving such an observer back to equilibrium as regards the vacuum radiation (i.e. experiencing only the Gibbons-Hawking radiation seen by a non-accelerated observer).

Observers experiencing *a very small acceleration* would thus see an Unruh radiation with a low temperature close to the Gibbons-Hawking one, meaning that *the inertial resistance defined by the difference between the two radiation temperatures would be smaller than in Newtonian dynamics, and thus the corresponding acceleration would be larger*. This is given precisely by the formula of Milgrom (1983) with a well-defined transition-function  $\mu(x)$ , and  $a_0 = c(\Lambda/3)^{1/2}$ . Unfortunately, no covariant version (if at all possible) of this approach has been developed yet."

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Scale-invariant / Milgromian  
Dynamics  
(current best bet)

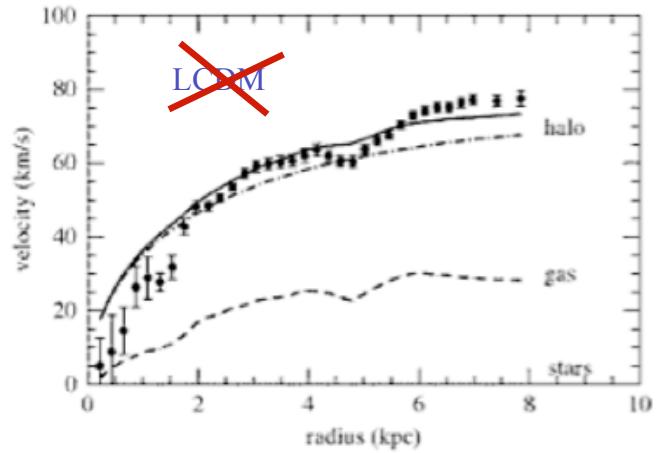
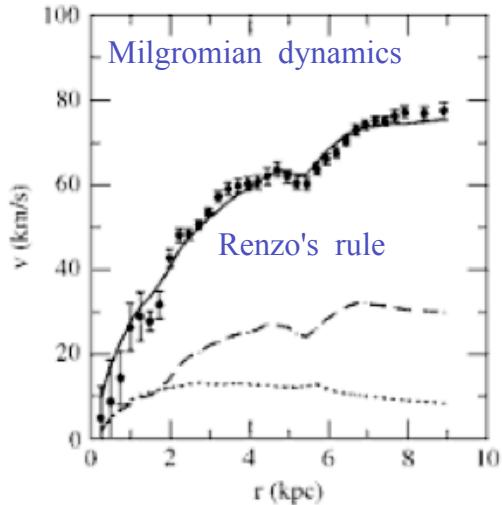
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From Robert Sanders' Book  
on  
*"The Dark Matter Problem"*,  
Cambridge University Press, 2010



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**In fact**, given an *observed baryonic matter distribution*, the rotation curve

*can be precisely predicted* using Milgromian dynamics

*cannot be predicted* using LCDM.

plus in Milgromian dynamics dark matter significantly reduced in galaxy clusters



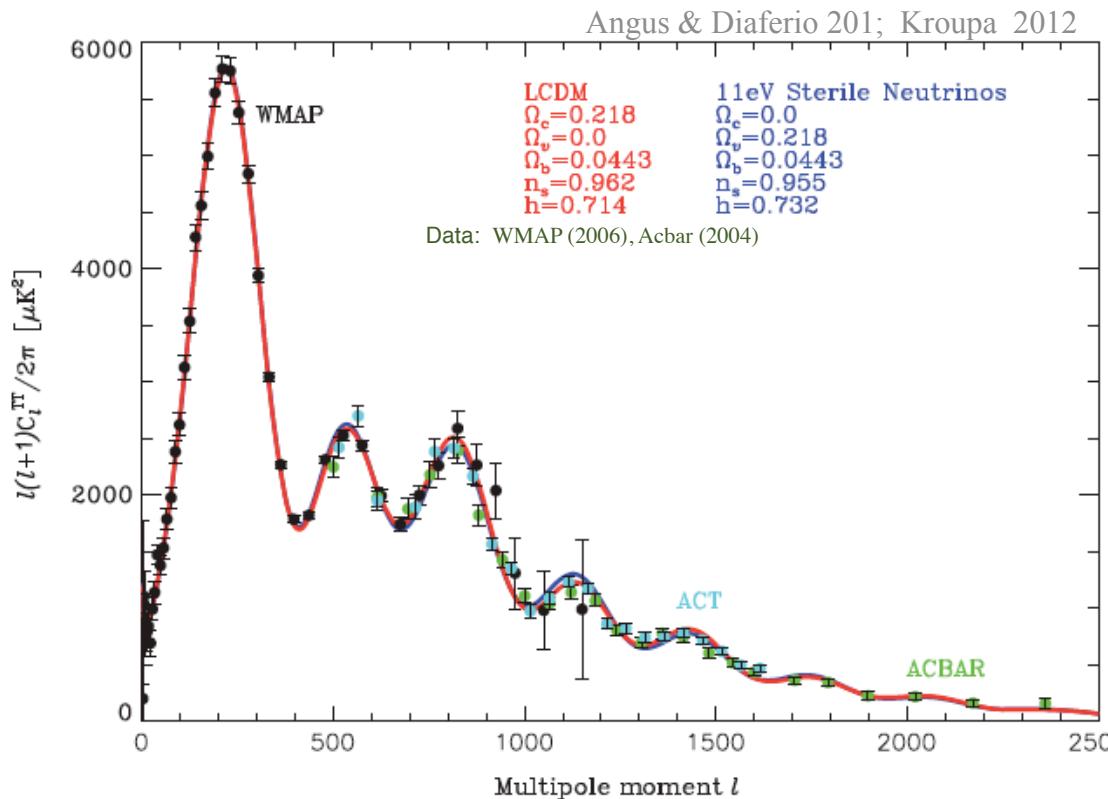
(e.g. Sanders 2009 (review) :  
*"Modified Newtonian Dynamics : A Falsification of Cold Dark Matter"*)

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## CMB power spectrum in Milgromian dynamics



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Thus,

The Concordance Cosmological Modell  
does **not uniquely**  
account for the CMB nor for  
Large Scale Structure.

In fact, with the falsification of the SMoC,  
it has become irrelevant to ask whether any set of data  
(e.g. large-scale structure or CMB)  
fit the SMoC.

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# Conclusions

The *dwarf galaxy theorem* is violated  
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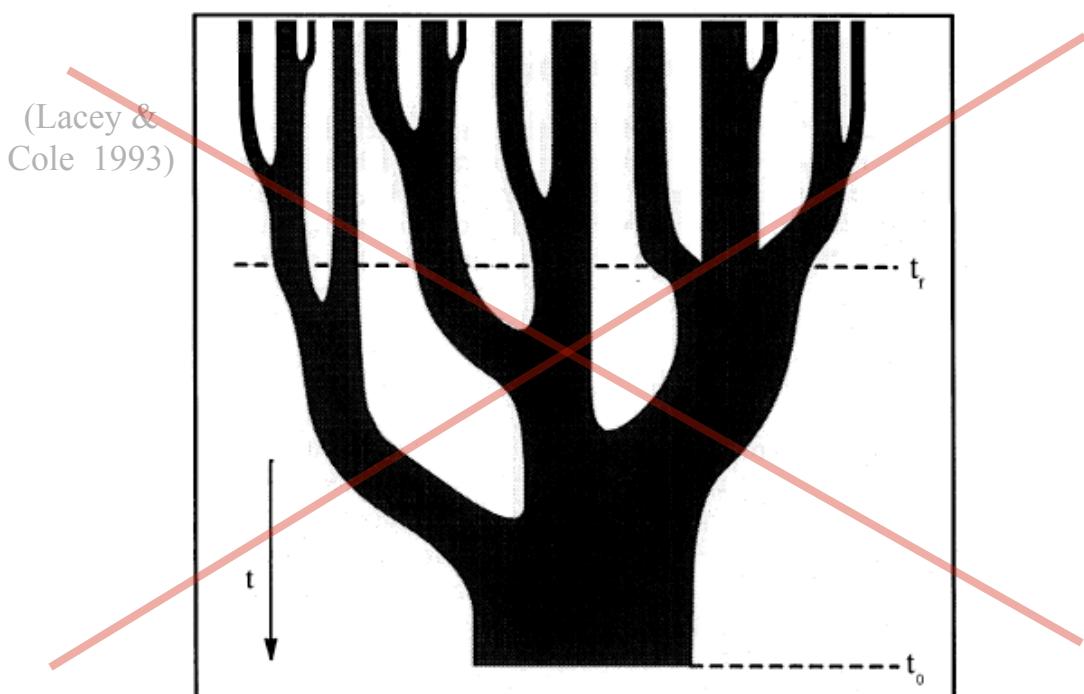
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(The search for it will be fruitless).

Effective dynamics *is* scale-invariant / Milgromian.  
(i.e. "dark matter" **must be mathematically equivalent** to  
Milgromian dynamics).

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## The Standard LCDM Model of Cosmology structure formation tree



# *The new baryonic-galaxy structure formation tree within the VBL*

(Metz: PhD  
2008;  
Kroupa et  
al. 2010)



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## *Conclusions*

The *dual dwarf galaxy theorem* is violated  
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