

Self-consistent dynamical models for early-type galaxies in the CALIFA Survey

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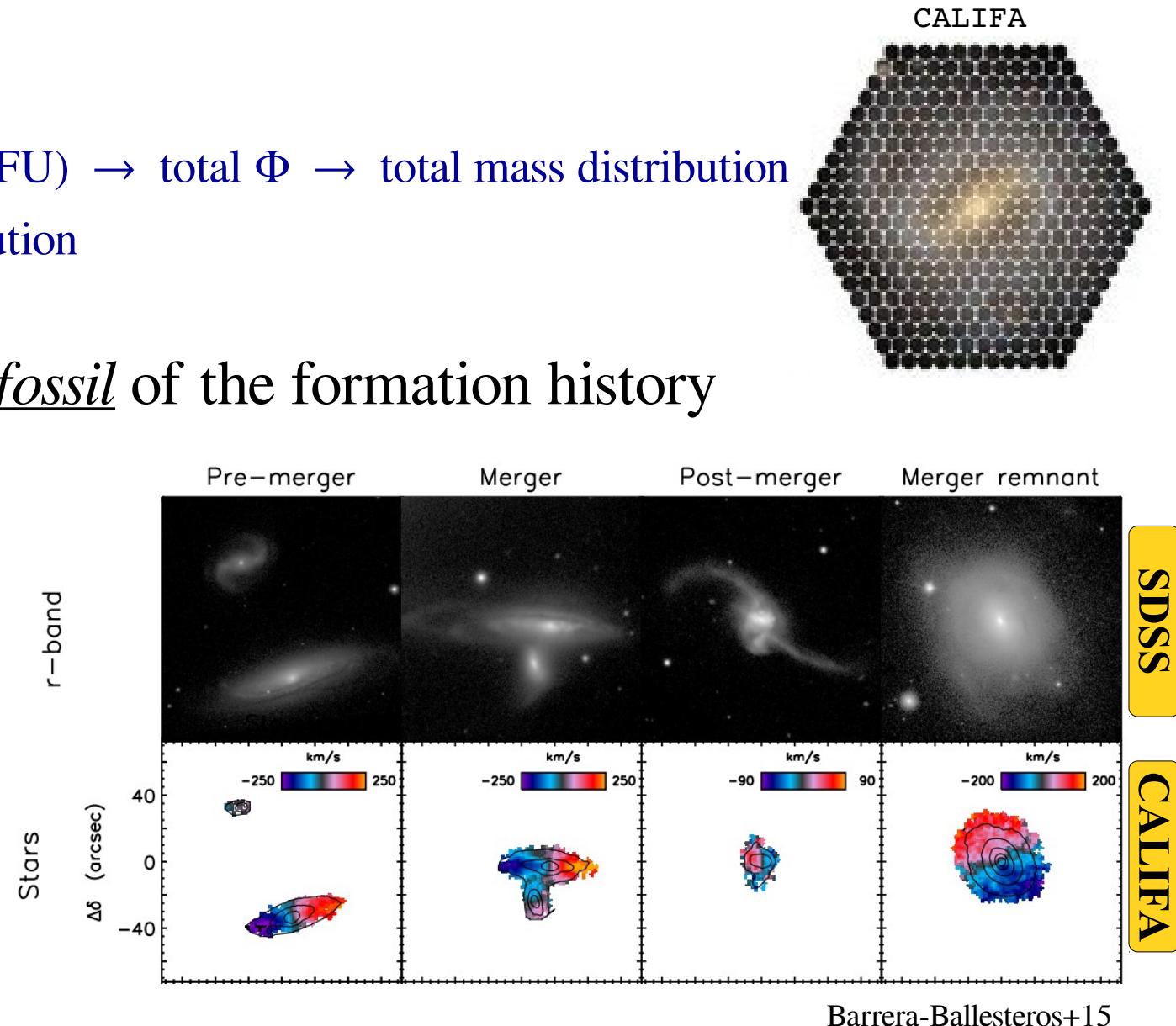
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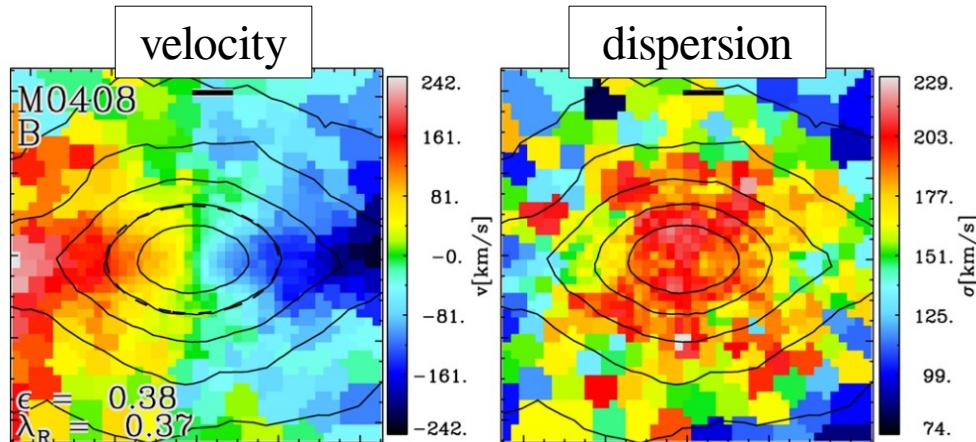
Why study galaxy dynamics?

- Mass is key
 - From kinematics (e.g., IFU) \rightarrow total Φ \rightarrow total mass distribution
 - Mass drives galaxy evolution
- Dynamical state \rightarrow *fossil* of the formation history
 - Merger phase imprinted in stellar kinematics
 - From kin. signatures \rightarrow galaxy evolution



Dynamical state → fossil formation history

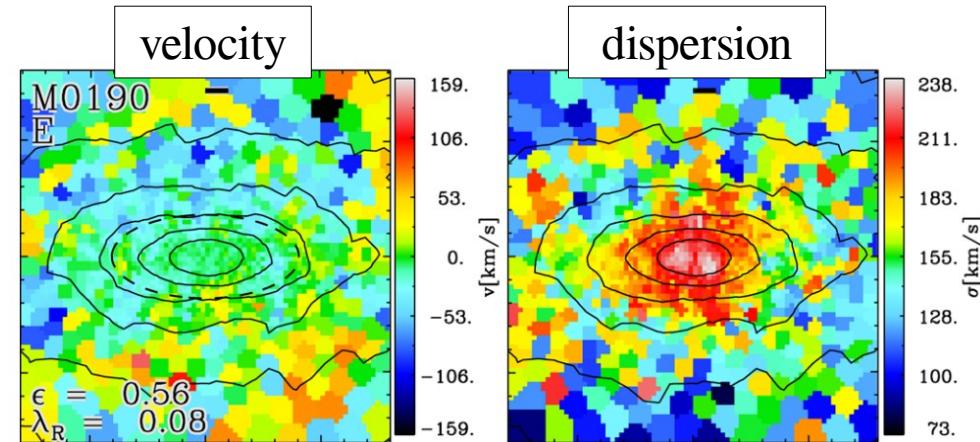
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Isotropic rotator



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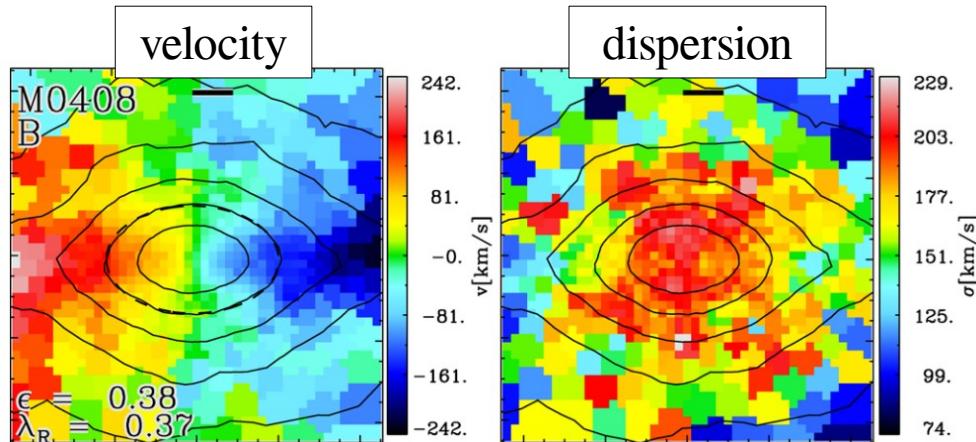


(radial) anisotropy

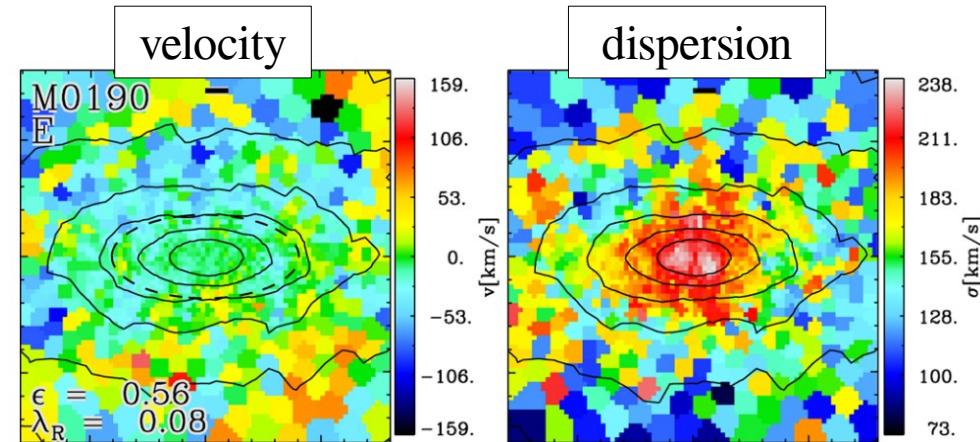
Naab+2014

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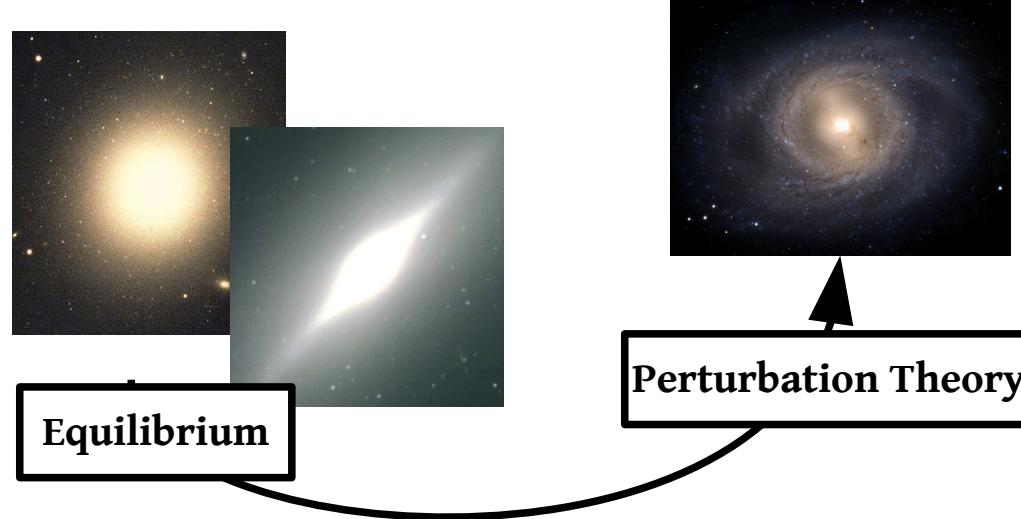
Need to characterize dynamical state from data!

Isotropic rotator

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Dynamical models

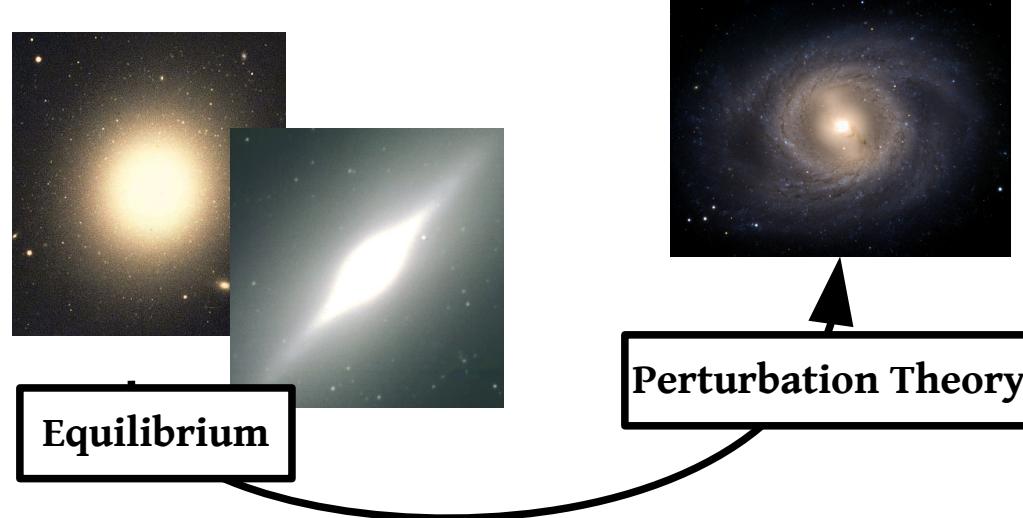
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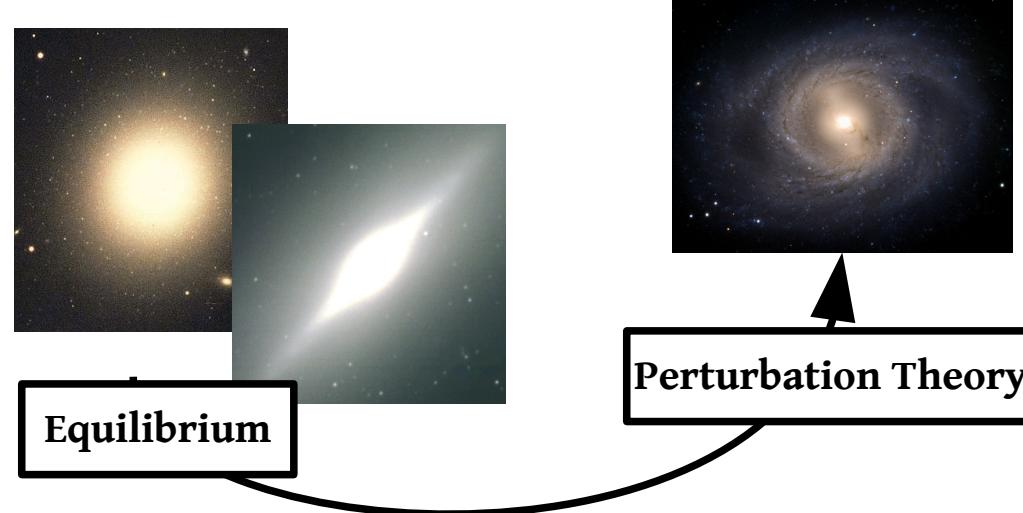
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The DF completely determines the dynamical state

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Distribution Functions for early-type galaxies

Posti, Binney, Nipoti & Ciotti 2015
Posti et al in prep.

- Analytic & fast physical models
- Self-consistent (ρ - Φ) pair, axisymmetric and rotating models
- Models for bulges, dark haloes, stellar discs



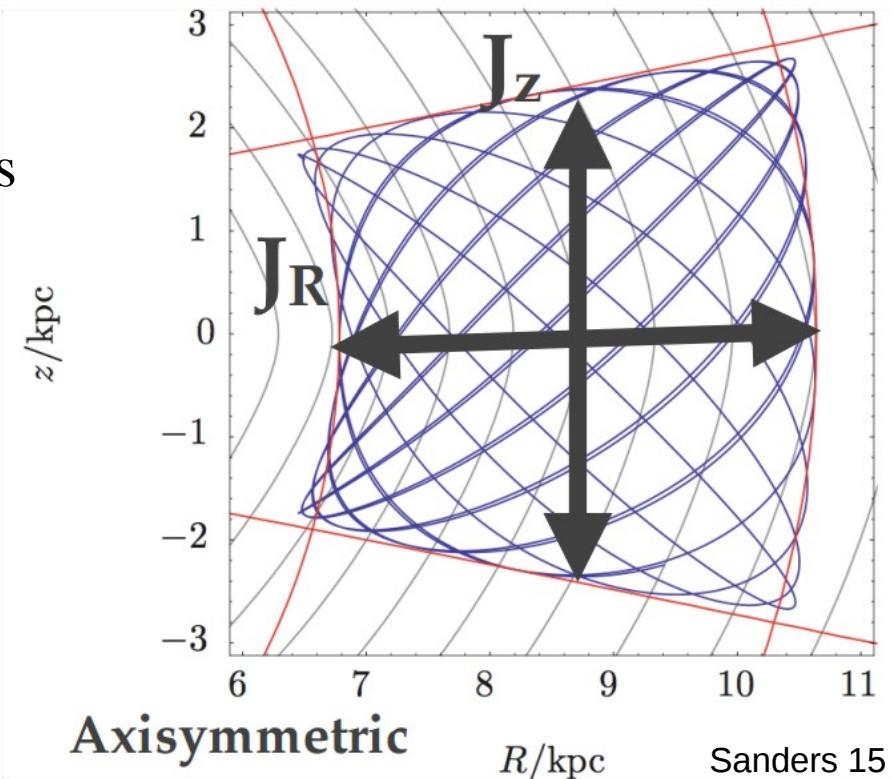
Action-angle coordinates (θ, \mathbf{J})

$$f(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}) \Rightarrow f(\mathbf{J})$$

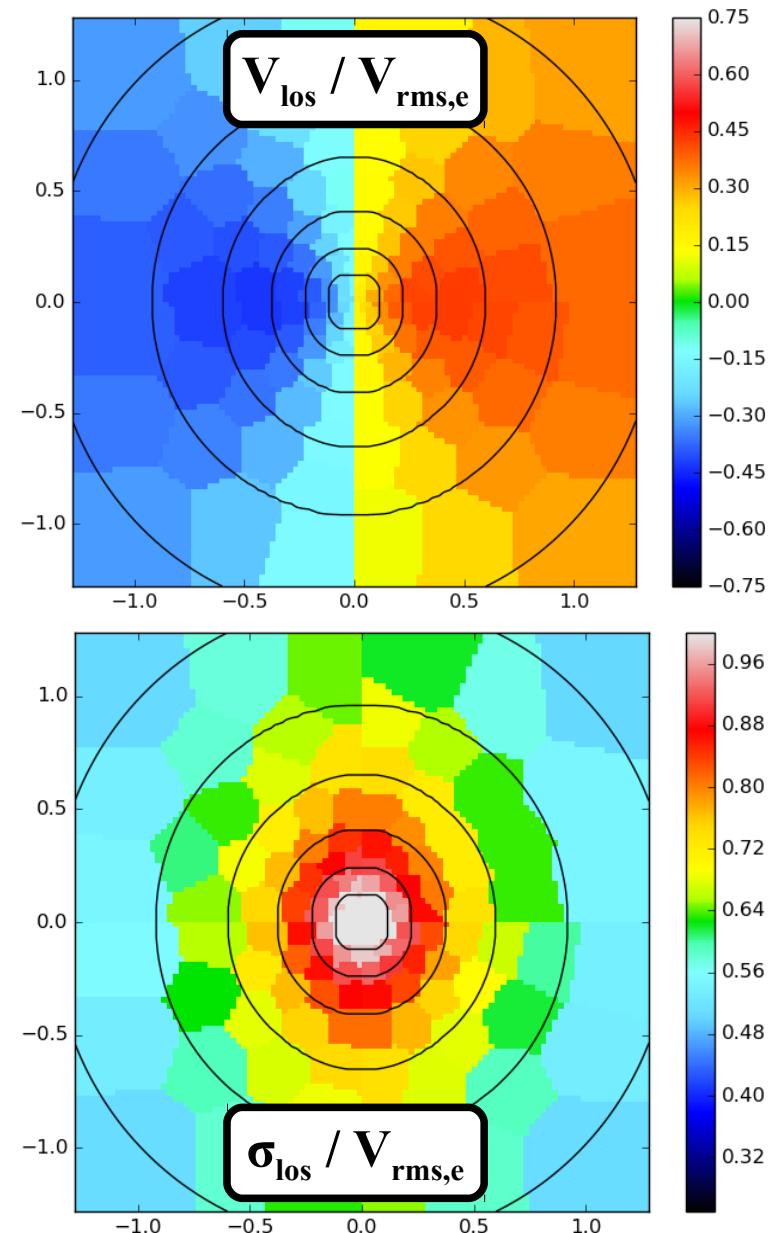


Critical advantage:

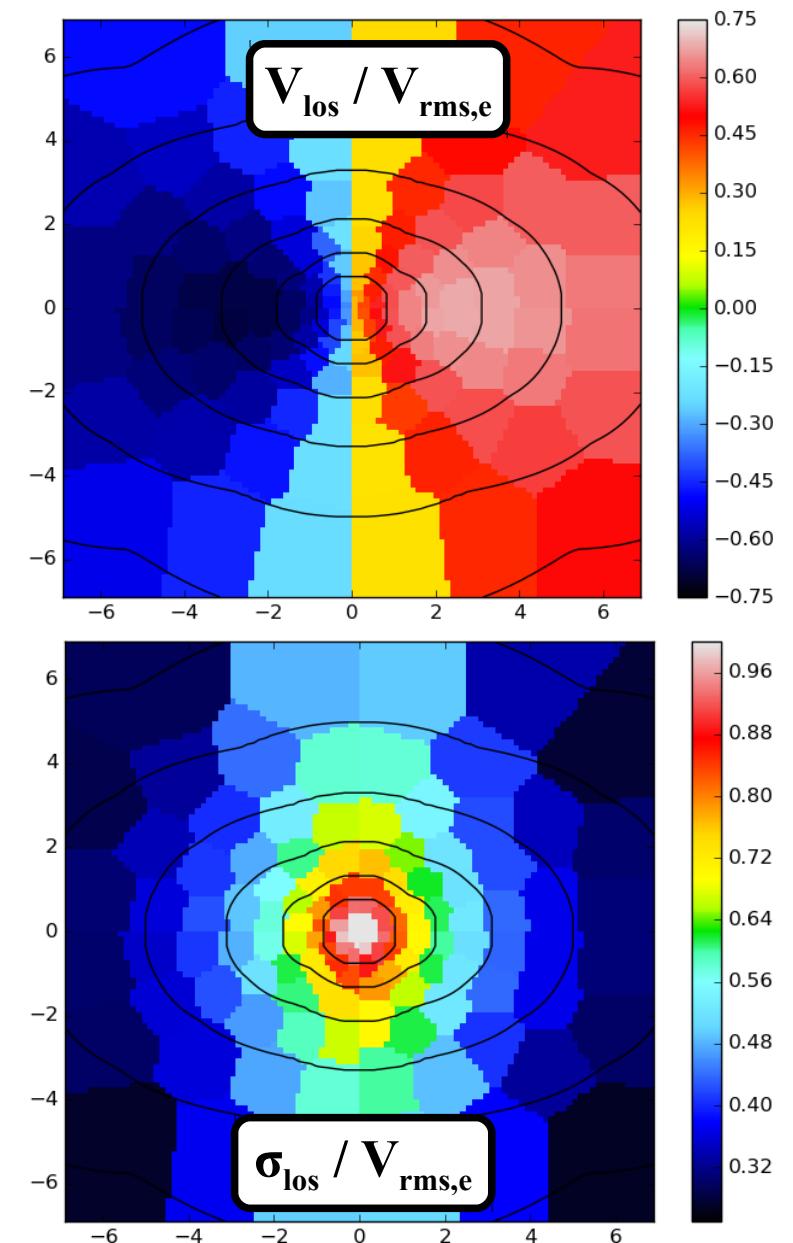
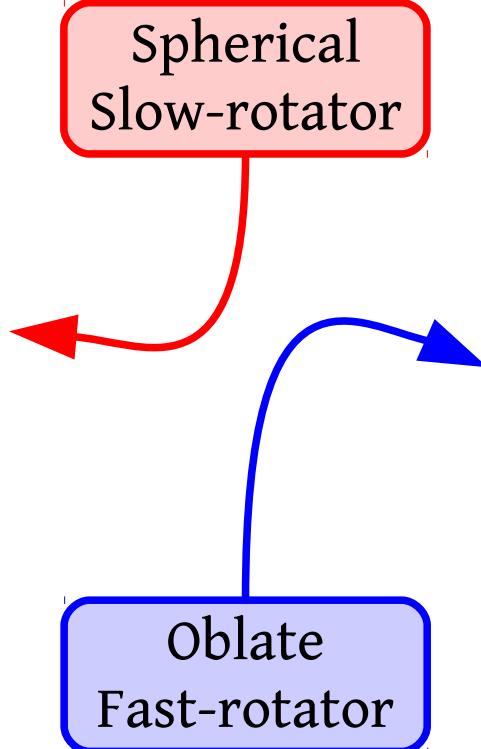
Self-consistent multi-component models



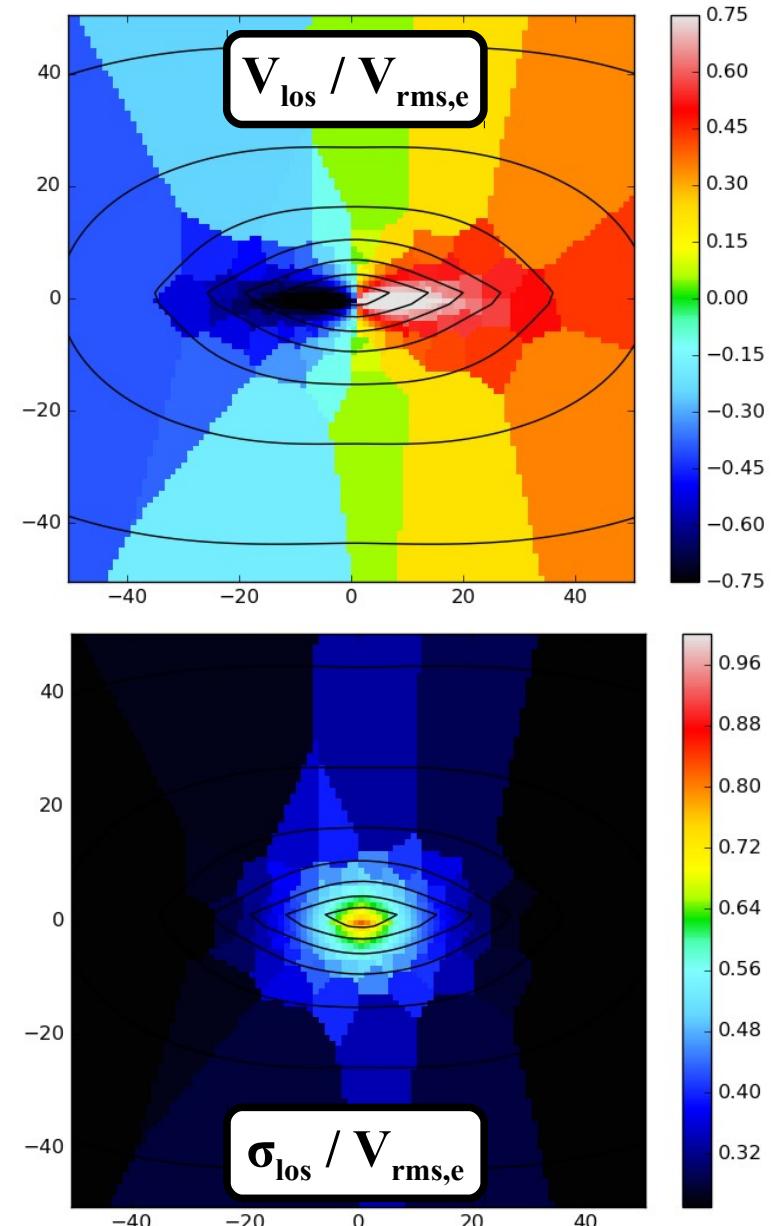
Models → Mock Observations



**1-component
models**



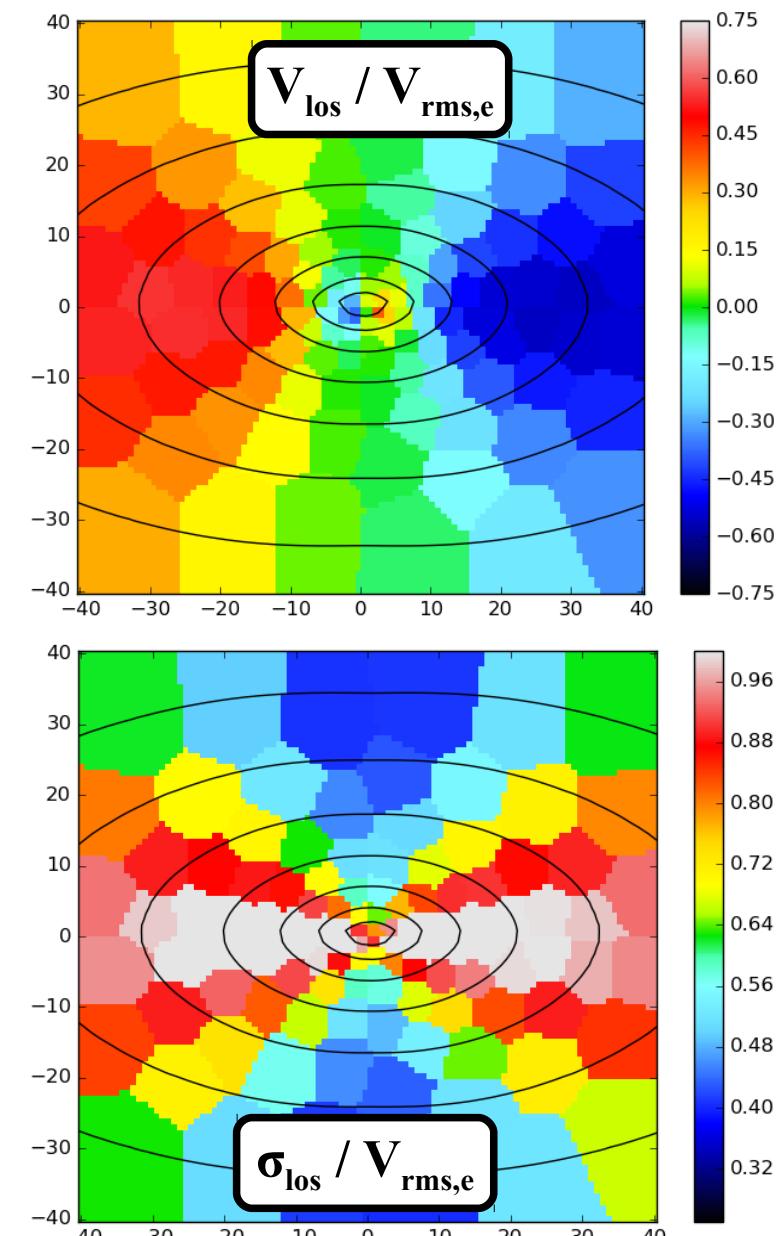
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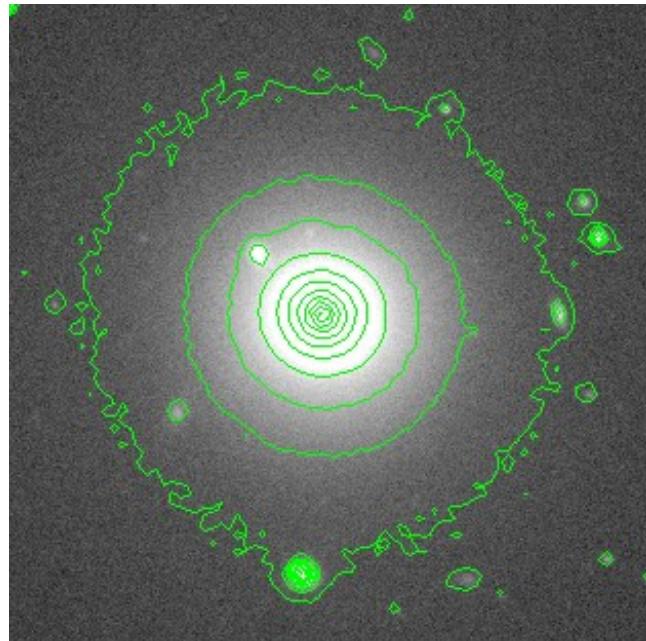
2-component
models

Bulge + disc
galaxy

Kinematically
Decoupled
Core

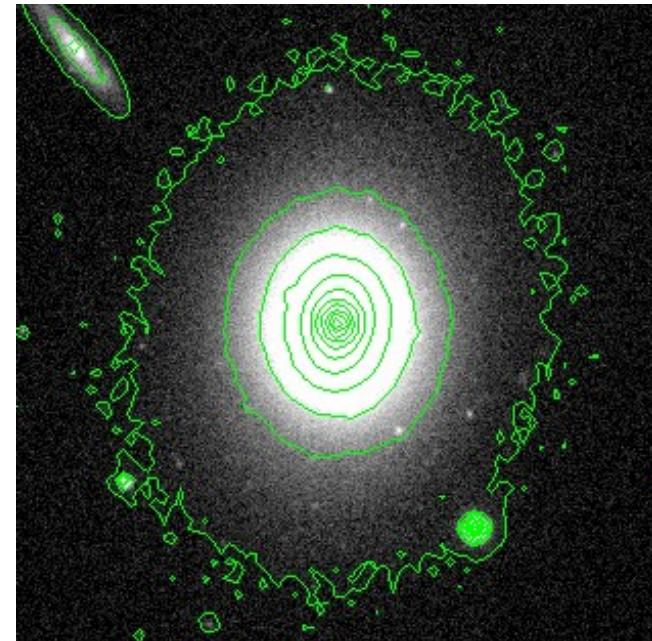


2 ellipticals in CALIFA



NGC 6125

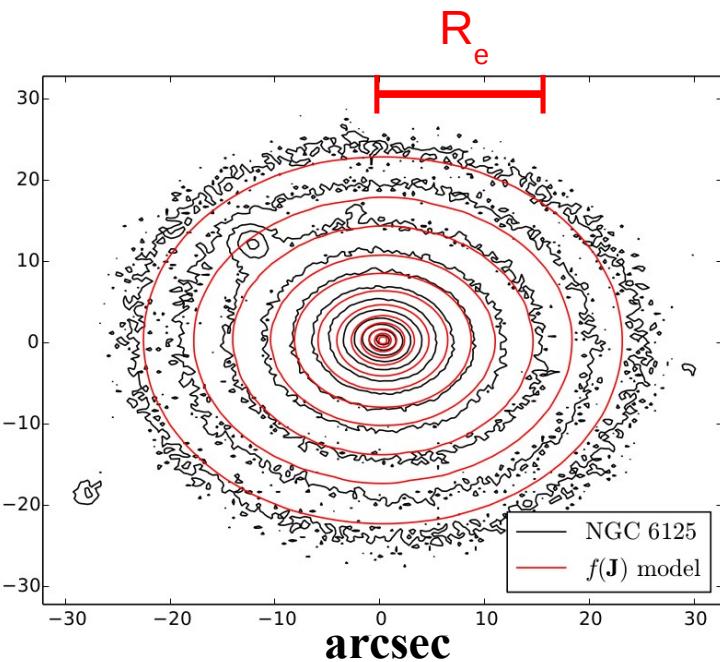
D~66 Mpc
E1, slow rotator



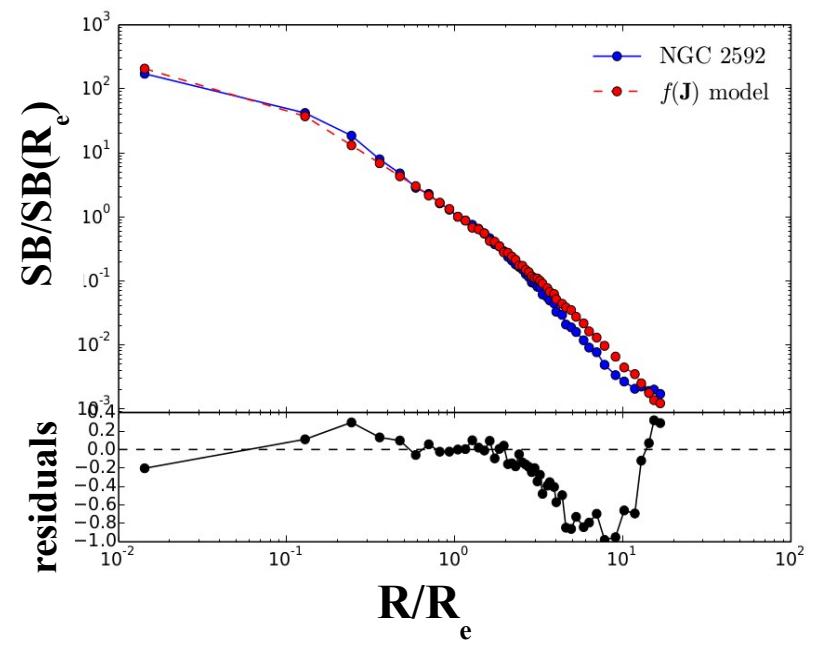
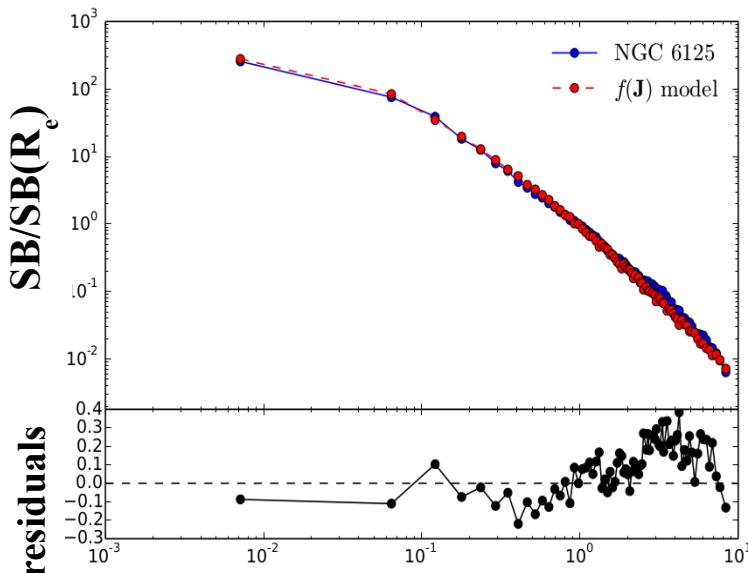
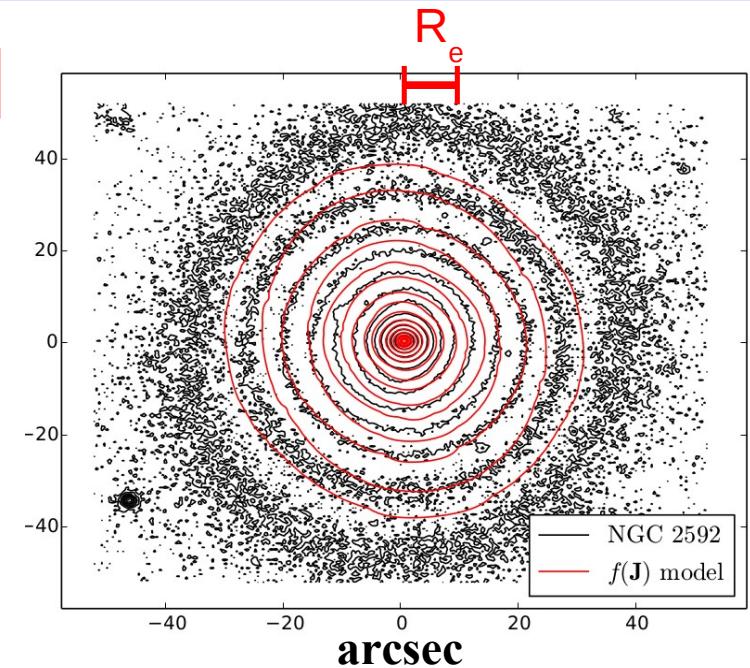
NGC 2592

D~28 Mpc
E4, fast rotator

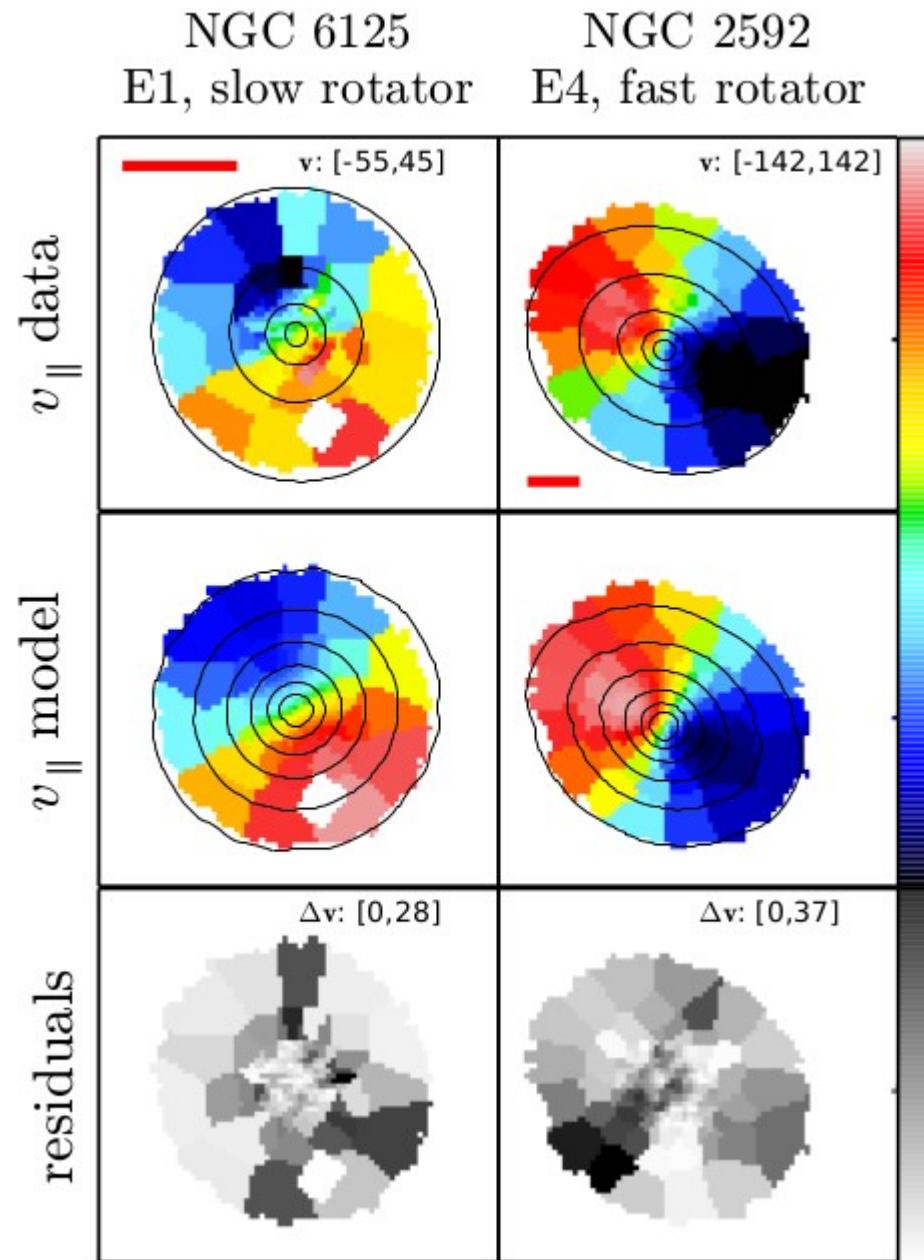
Light distribution



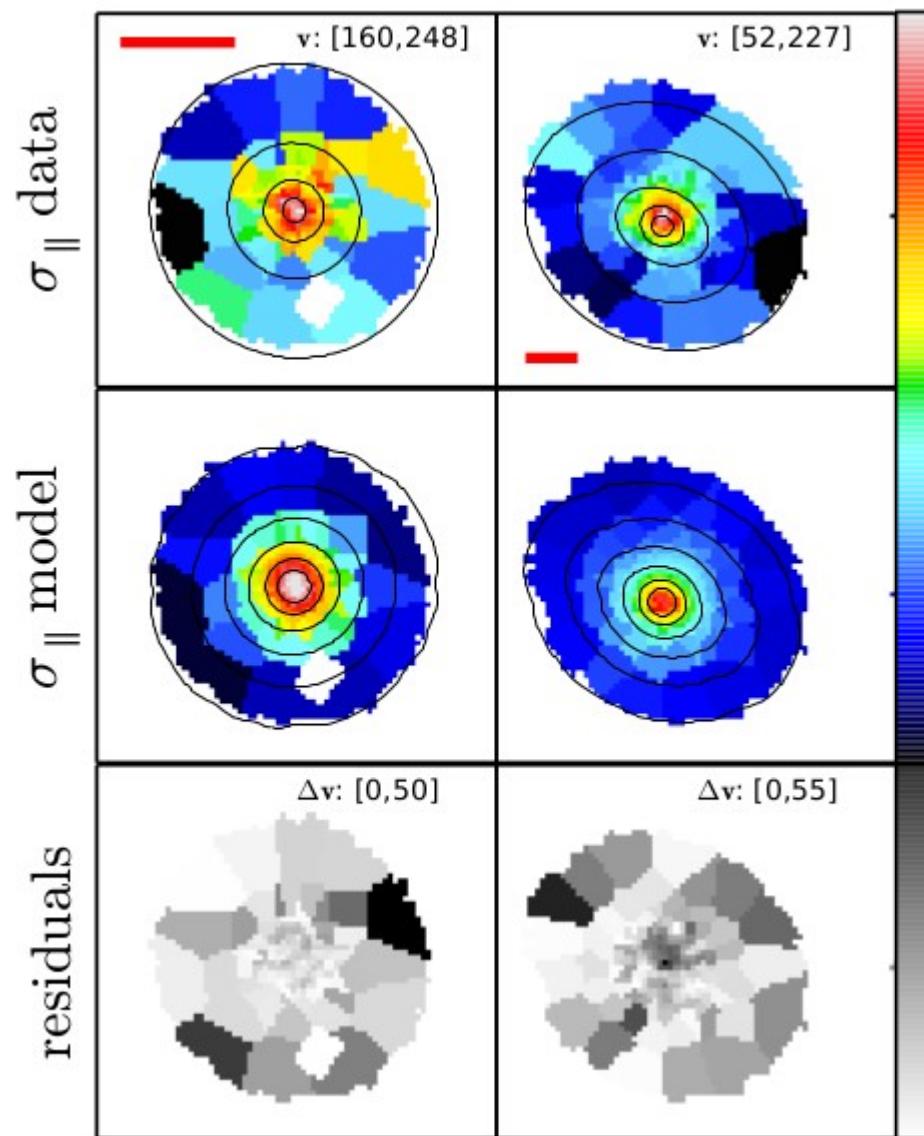
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2D kinematics: rotation

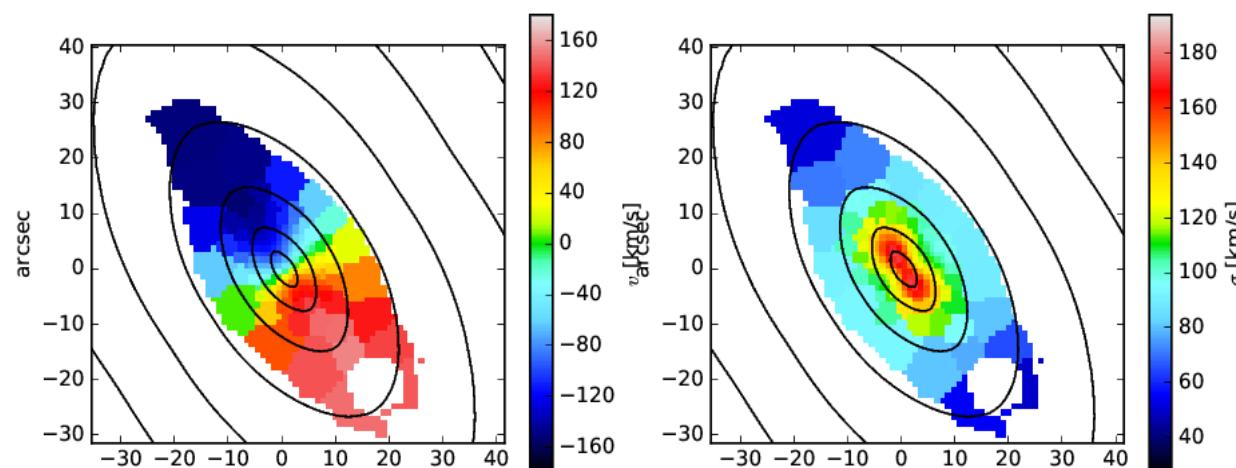
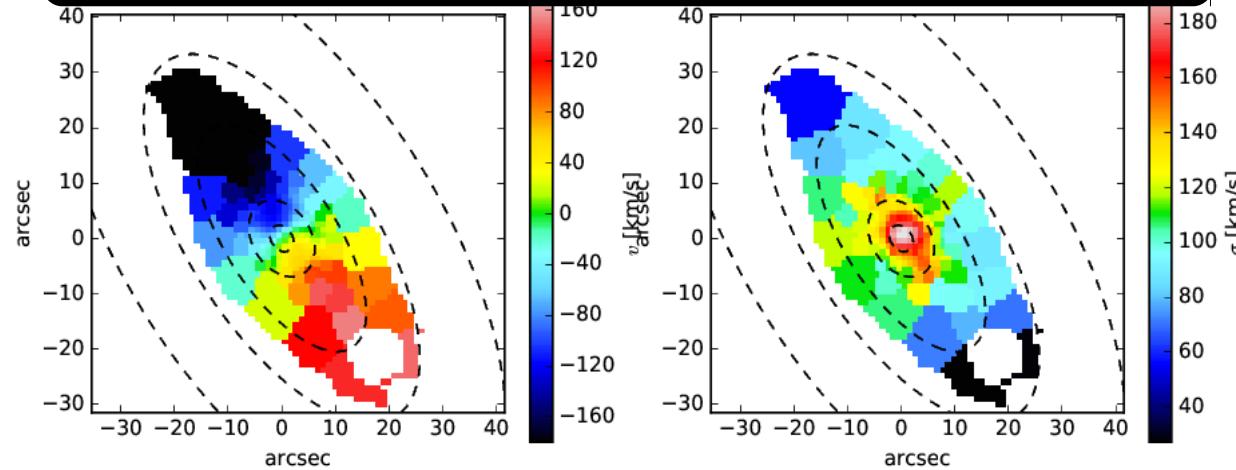


2D kinematics: v. dispersion



Multi-component models: a lenticular galaxy

DATA: NGC6427, S0, fast-rotator

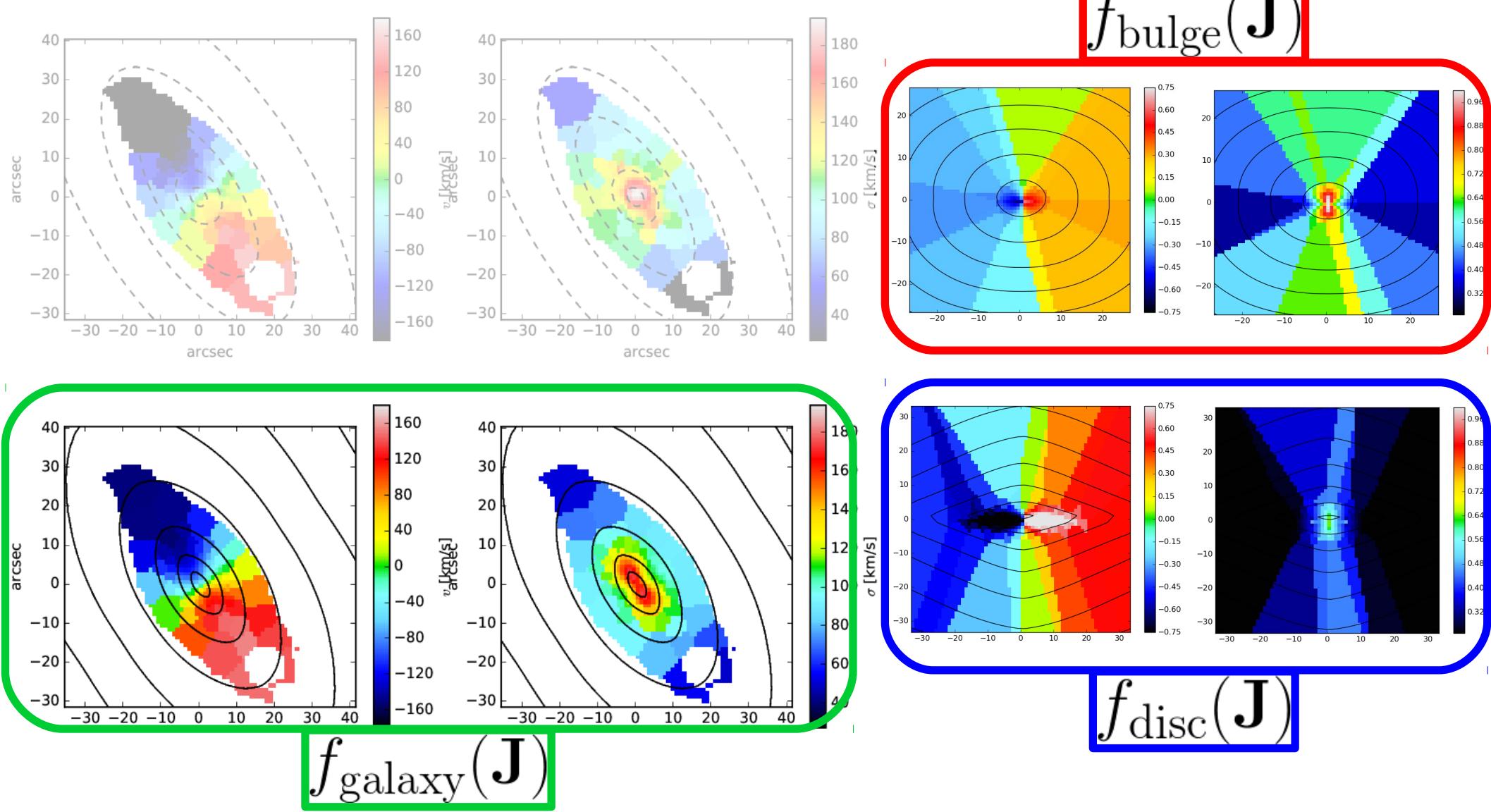


MODEL: $f_{\text{galaxy}}(\mathbf{J}) = f_{\text{bulge}}(\mathbf{J}) + f_{\text{disc}}(\mathbf{J})$

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In the total self-consistent Potential Φ

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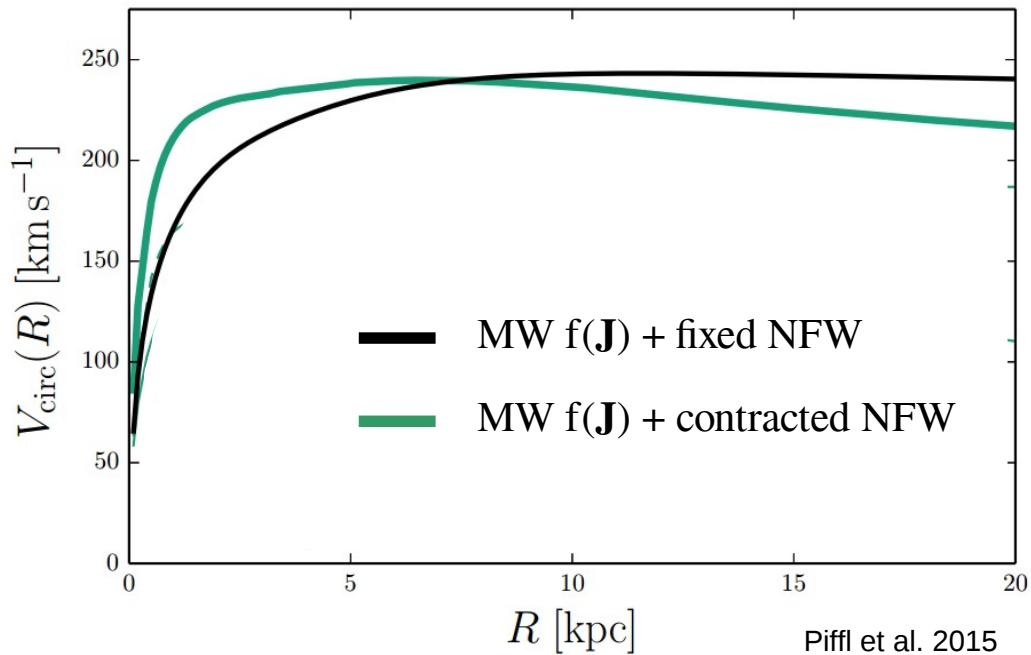
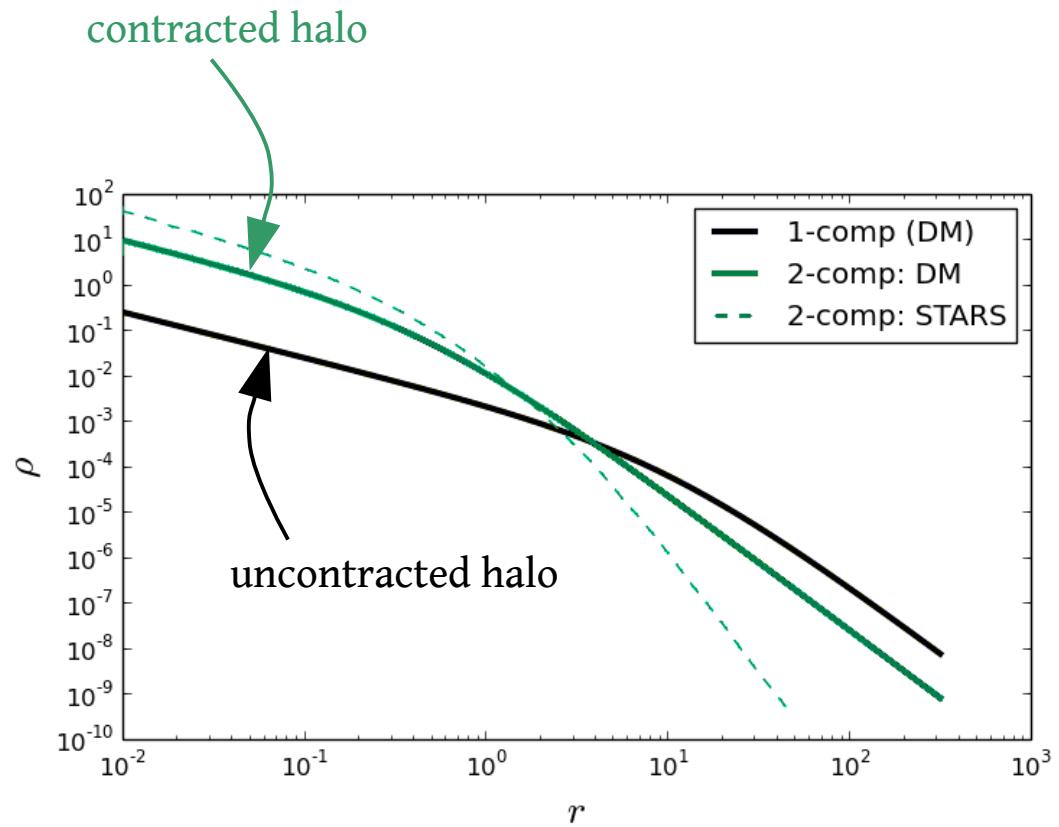


Conclusions

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- ⌘ Equilibrium models → link local dynamics w. galaxy formation history
- ⌘ IFU data can constrain the galaxy's DF!
(provided that degeneracies are taken care of)
- ⌘ Action-dependent DFs for multi-component systems (e.g., for kinematical bulge/disc decomposition)

Multi-component models: halo contraction



- $f(J)$ models to study the shape of the MW's dark halo:
mildly oblate $q \sim 0.7-0.8$ (Piffl+2015, Binney&Piffl 2015)

Rotating models

$$f(\mathbf{J}) = f_+(\mathbf{J}) + k f_-(\mathbf{J})$$

Only contributing to density

Only contributing to angular momentum

$$f_-(\mathbf{J}) = \tanh\left(\frac{\chi J_\phi}{J_0}\right) f_+(\mathbf{J})$$