



# Unveiling the sources of disk heating in spiral galaxies with the **CALIFA** survey

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# The Work

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TRACES OF GALAXY FORMATION:  
[www.iac.es/proyecto/traces/](http://www.iac.es/proyecto/traces/)



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Mariya Lyubenova (RUG)  
Ryan Leaman (MPIA)  
& CALIFA collaboration



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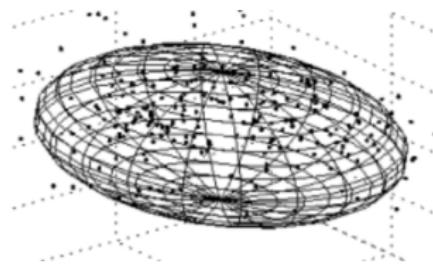
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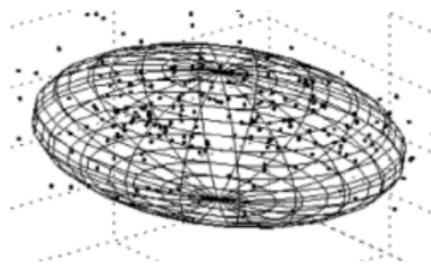
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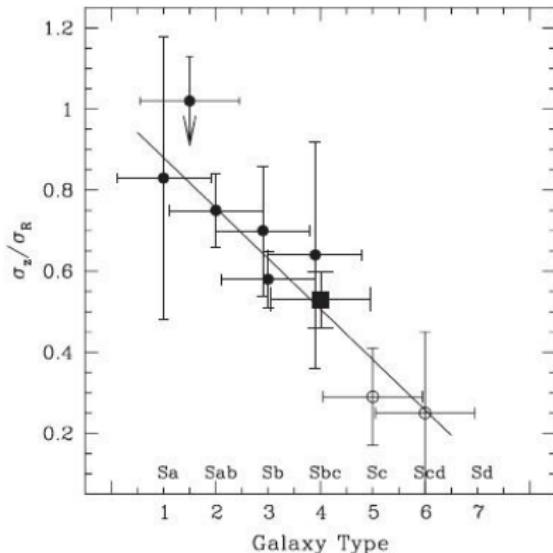
## Why?

Potential to unveil the **heating sources for the disk**:

- *giant molecular clouds - mergers* → 3D agents (**isotropic**)
- *spiral arms - bars* → planar agents (**anisotropic**)

# Previous works

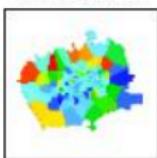
- Gerssen J. & Shapiro K., 2012  
**SVE as a function of Hubble types**
  - **3D agents**: early-types
  - **radial agents**: late-types



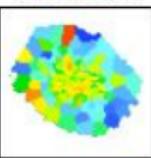
- The DiskMass Survey VI, 2013
  - **"kinematic flaring of the disk"**
  - possible scenarios:
    - an *increase in the disk M/L*
    - a *flared disk*
    - disk heating due to a *massive DM halo*

# The sample: observational data from CALIFA

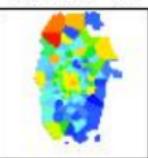
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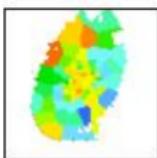
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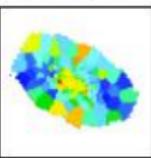
NGC5056 - Sc



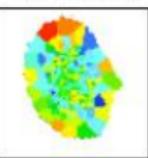
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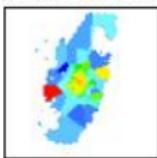
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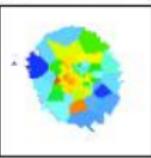
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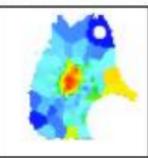
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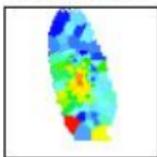
NGC5784 - S0



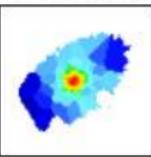
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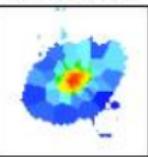
NGC5980 - Sbc



NGC6278 - S0a



NGC6945 - S0



30 DISK GALAXIES

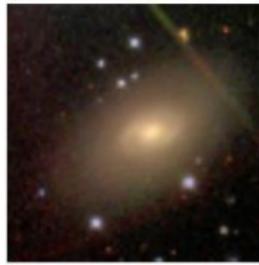
- ▶ *Hubble types:*  
from S0 to Scd
- ▶  $20^\circ < i < 70^\circ$
- ▶  $R_{max} > 2R_{eff}$
- ▶  $M_* > 10^9 M_\odot$
- ▶  $n_{bins} > 100$

Velocity dispersion maps

# The sample: examples from CALIFA

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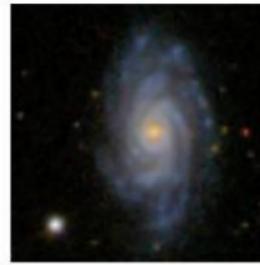
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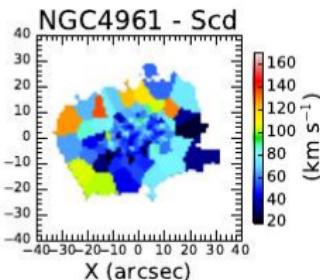
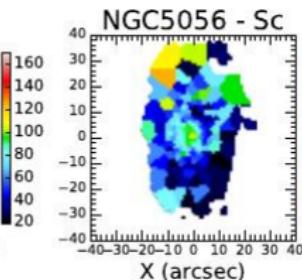
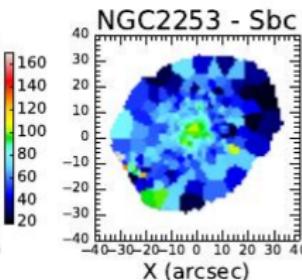
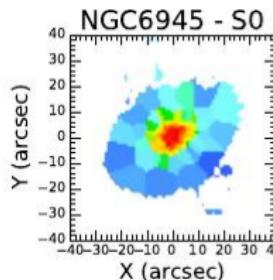
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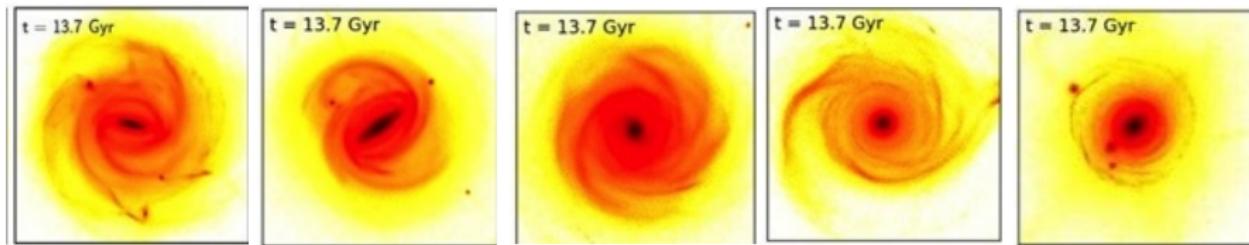


CALIFA  $\sigma$  maps



# The sample: from simulations

- Technique in 2 steps (Martig et al. 2009, 2012)
  - 1) Extract merger and accretion history from large scale cosmological simulations
  - 2) Re-simulate a few halos at higher resolution (150 pc, a few  $10^6$  stellar particles per galaxy)
- Sample of 30 galaxies
  - $10^{10} \lesssim M_* \lesssim 10^{11}$
  - selected only on halo mass + in isolated environment



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Bulge(B)+Disk(D) model: for  $j = r, \phi, z$        $\sigma_j^2 = \sigma_{j,B}^2 + \sigma_{j,D}^2$

*fitting the full radial range - MCMC method (emcee, python)*

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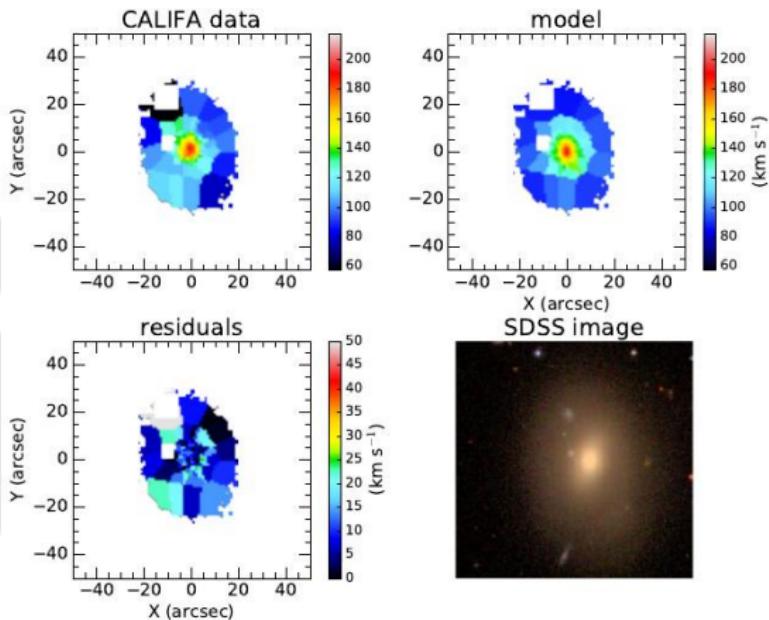
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**NGC7623 (S0)**

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_z}{\sigma_r}\right)_{disk} \simeq 0.70 (-0.05, +0.06)$$

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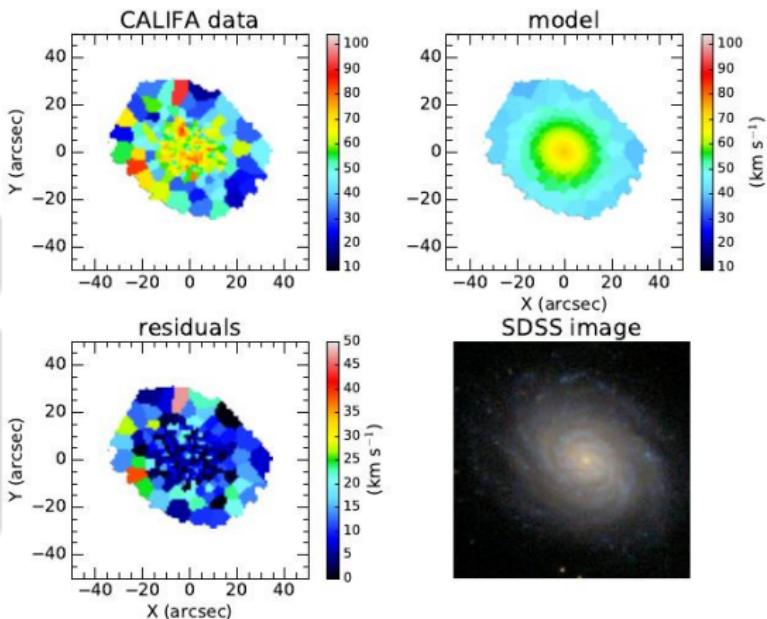
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## A late-type

# NGC5016 (Sbc)

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_z}{\sigma_r}\right)_{disk} \simeq 0.3 (-0.2, +0.3)$$

- Anisotropic SVE
    - ⇒ radial agents
      - Spiral arms
  - Expected for late-types



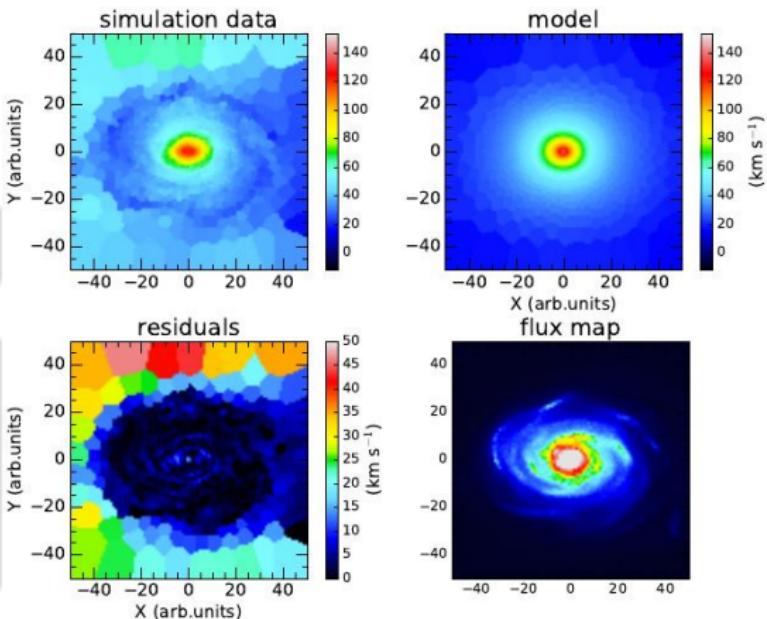
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An **Sb**  
from **simulations**

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_z}{\sigma_r}\right)_{disk} \simeq 0.71 (\pm 0.01)$$

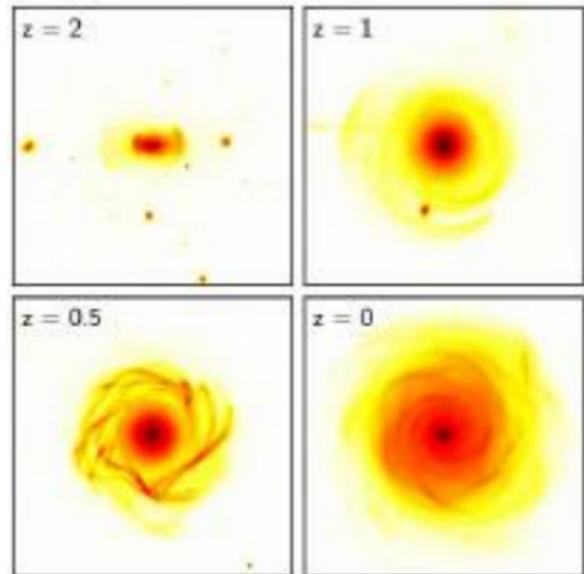
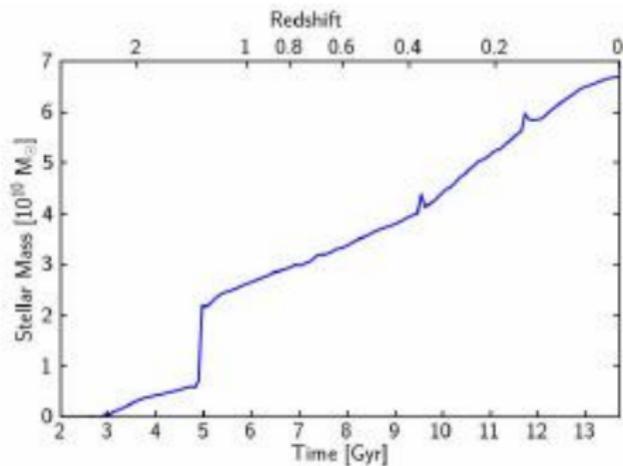
- Why the result is higher than what expected?
- What does this galaxy have in common with NGC7623?



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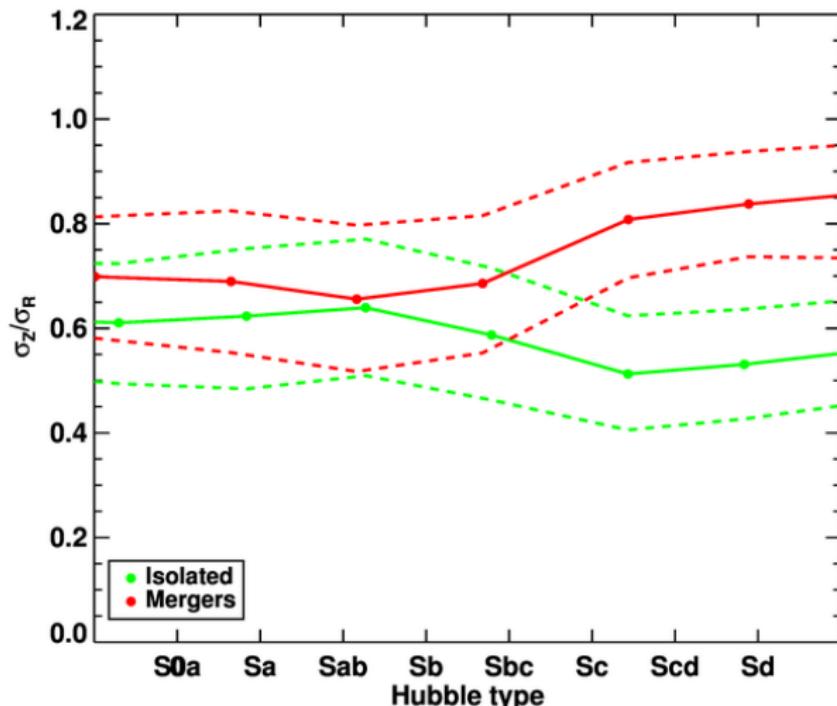
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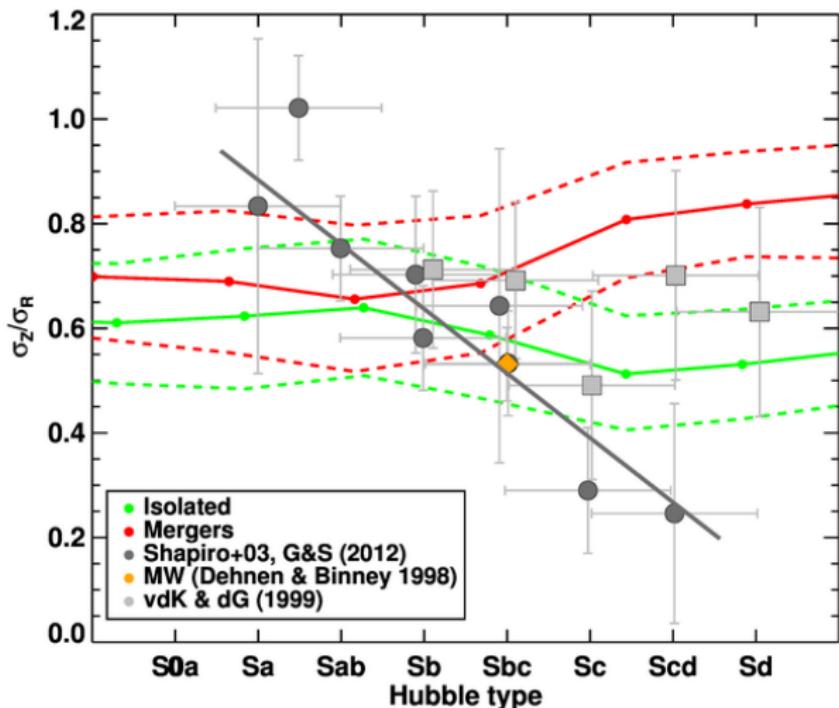
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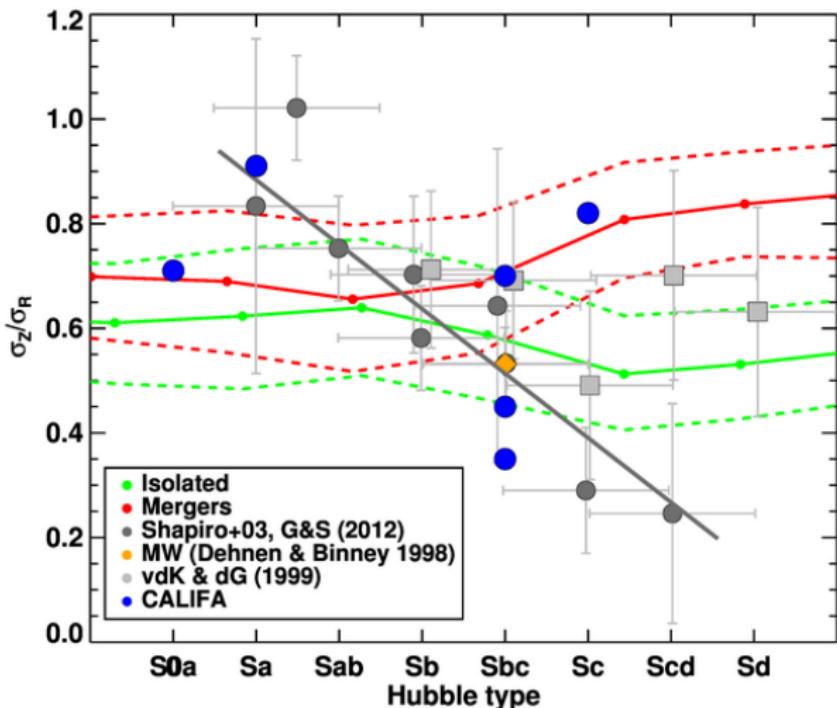
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  - and in the future to a larger sample and deeper data (MaNGA, MUSE)

Thank you  
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to find the parameters of the model

- ①  $R_b$ : break radius for the **rotation curve**

→ can be found **fitting V data**

# Velocity in the line of sight

$$V(r, \phi) = v_\phi(r) \cos \phi \sin i$$

$$v_\phi(r) = v_\phi(R_e) \frac{r}{R_e} \sqrt{\frac{R_b^2 + R_e^2}{R_b^2 + r^2}}$$

## MCMC minimization (emcee, python)

- 40 walkers
  - 2000 chains

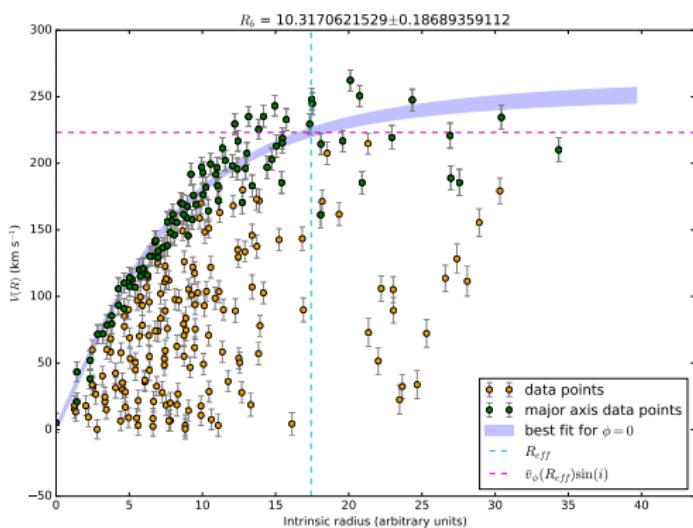


Figure: NGC2639: Rotation curve fit.

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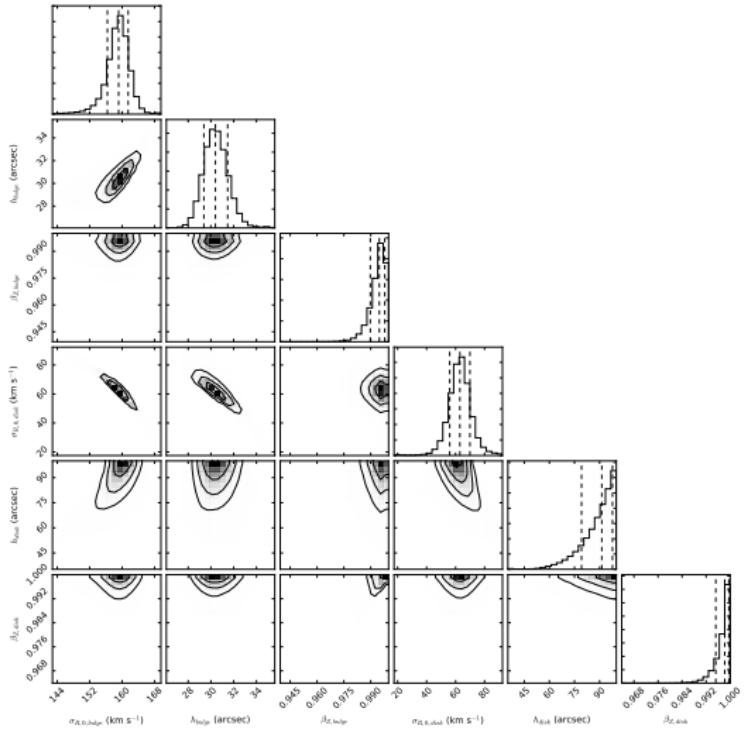
- 500 walkers, 1e5 chains
- constraints imposed on the parameters:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{r,0,B} &> \sigma_{r,0,D} \\ 0.5h_{\sigma,r,B} \left( \frac{h_{r,D}}{h_{r,B}} \right) &\lesssim h_{\sigma,r,D} \lesssim 1.5h_{\sigma,r,B} \left( \frac{h_{r,D}}{h_{r,B}} \right) \\ \beta_{z,B} &< \beta_{z,D} \end{aligned}$$

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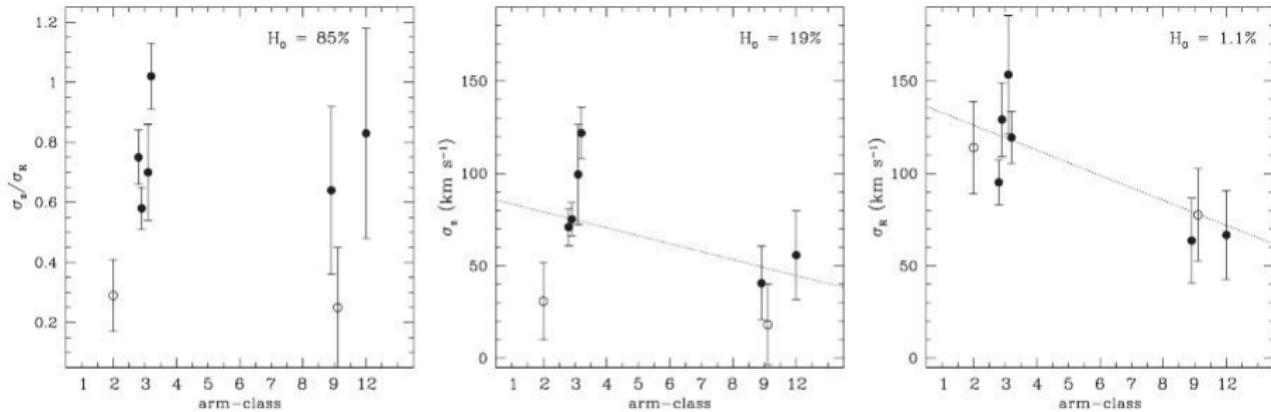
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# Gerssen J. & Shapiro K., 2012

most clear spiral structure: lowest  $\sigma_R$



**Figure 8.** The velocity ellipsoid shape and magnitudes as a function of arm class, as defined in Elmegreen & Elmegreen (1987) to quantify the orderliness of spiral structure from flocculent (class 1) to grand-design (class 12). Note that there is no arm class 10 and 11 (cf. fig. 1 in Elmegreen & Elmegreen 1987). Left: the velocity ellipsoid shape is not correlated with arm class. Middle: the vertical magnitude of the ellipsoid decreases with arm class. Right: there is a clear trend between arm class and radial component, as expected from the Toomre  $Q$  criterion, see text. Note that for plotting purposes we have added small offsets to galaxies with the same arm class.

# CALIFA $\sigma$ profiles

