

THE GALACTIC BULGE

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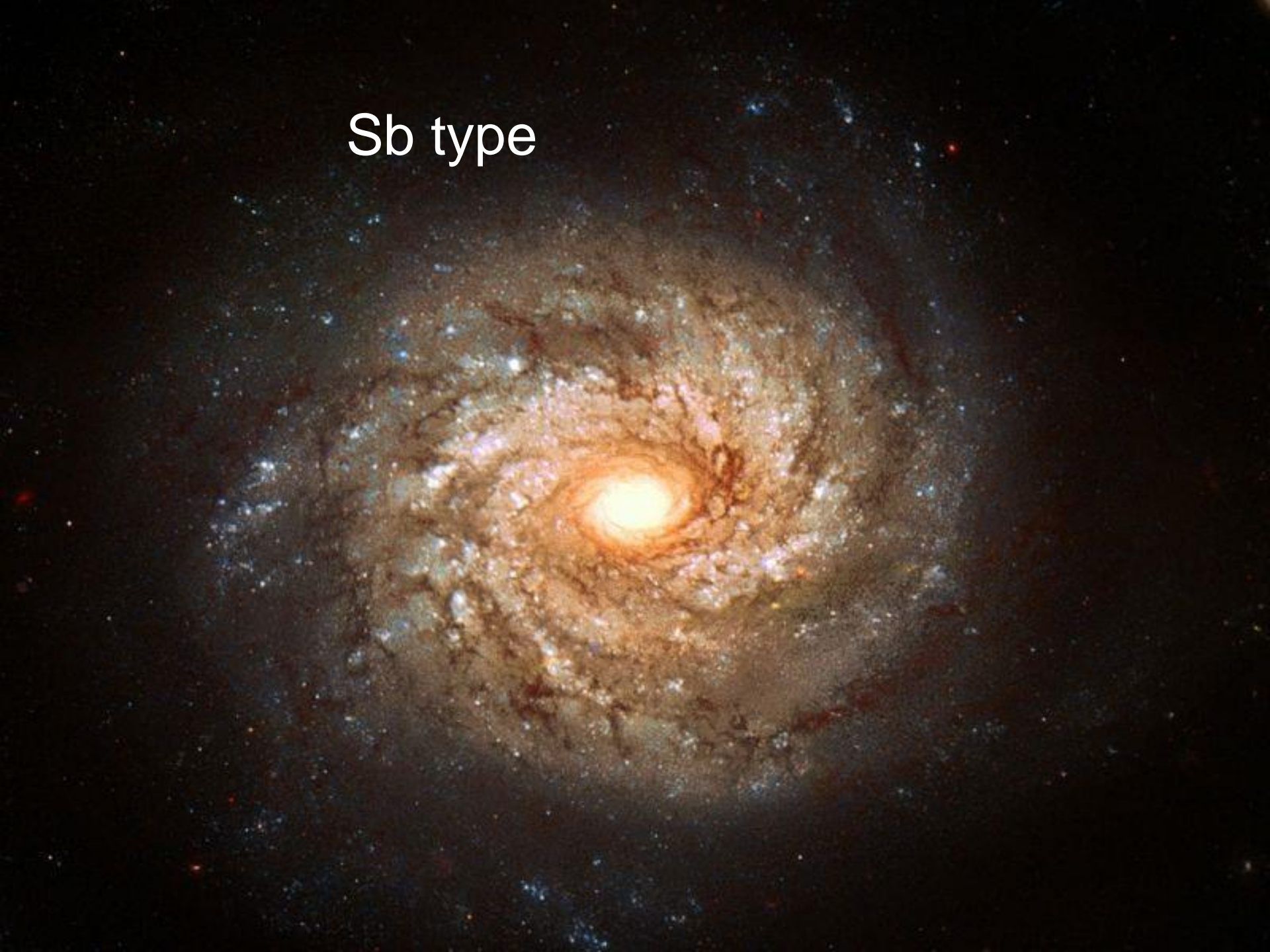
IAG - Universidade de São Paulo



SOMBRERO - Sa



Sb type



M101 – Sc type



M33 - Sc



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Kormendy & Kennicutt 2004:

BULGES OF SPIRALS:

Sa, Sb = high mass = bulges

**Sc = pseudobulges formed
from the bar**

A decorative graphic in the bottom right corner consisting of several concentric circles, resembling ripples in water, rendered in a lighter blue color against the dark blue background.

Milky Way

Barred:

$SABbc(rs) \rightarrow SABb(rs)$

Classical bulge or

Pseudobulge formed entirely
from the bar?

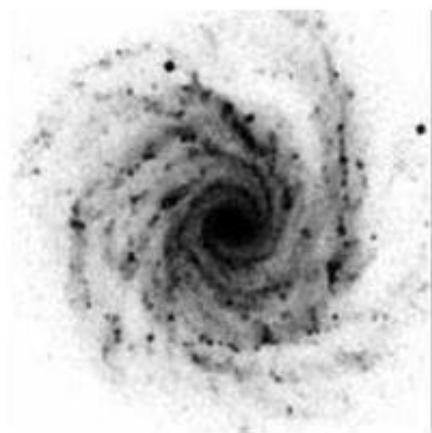


NGC 1300 – SBb(s) - prototype

NGC
4394
SBb(r)

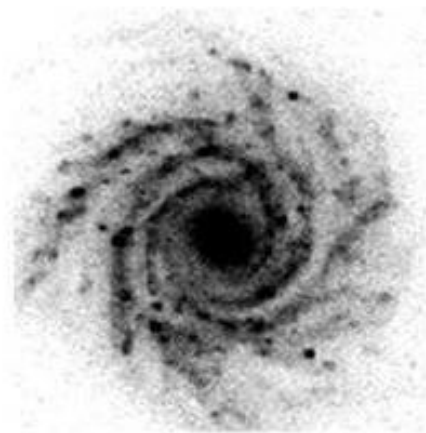


Sc(rs)



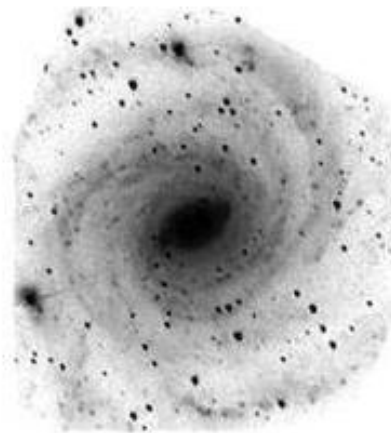
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Sb(r)



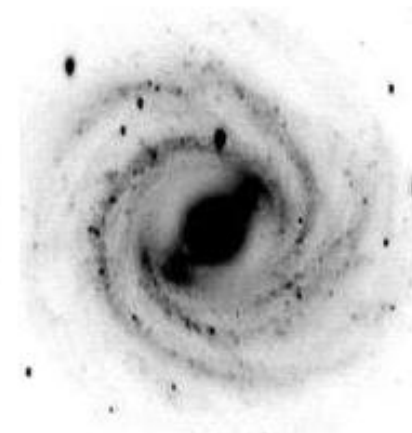
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Sb(r)



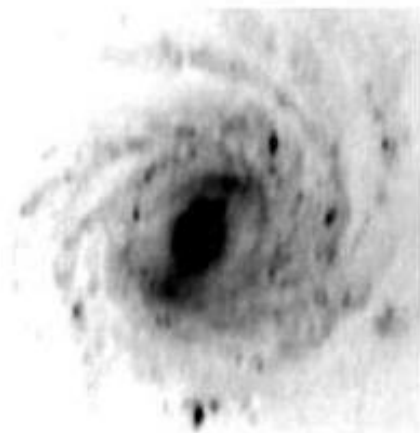
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SBb(rs)



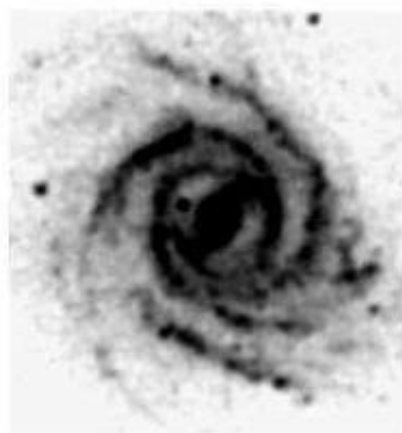
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SBbc(r)



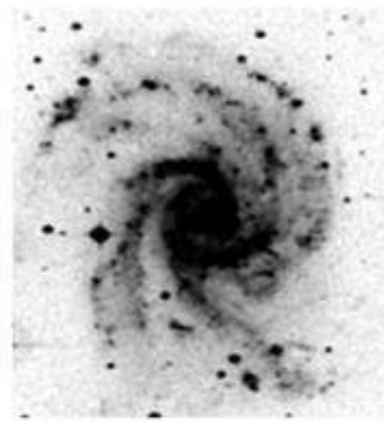
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SBbc(r)



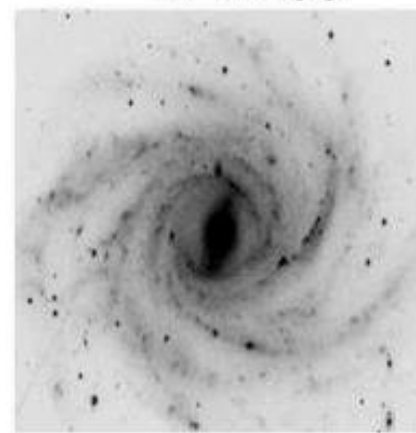
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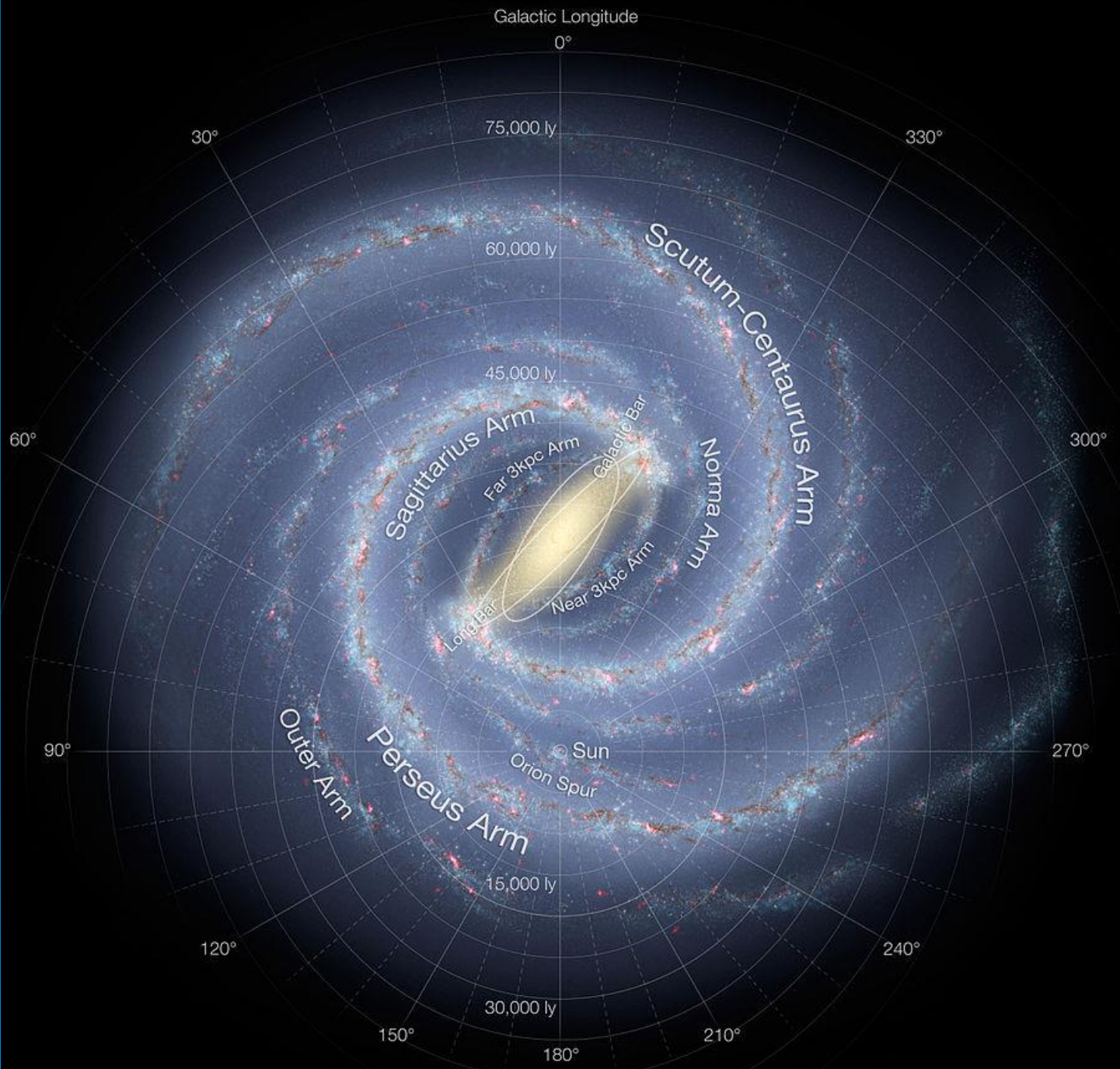


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SBbc(r)

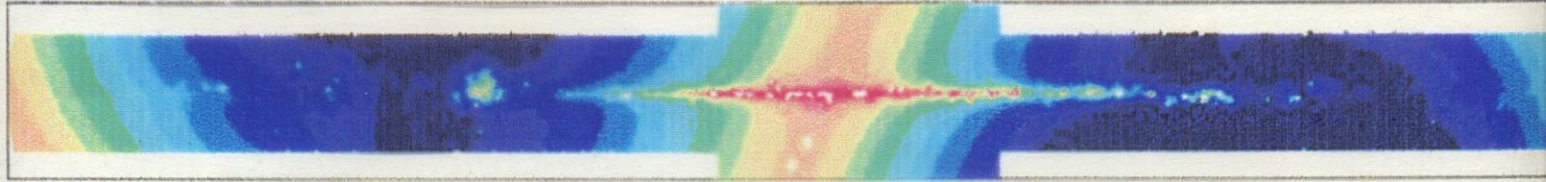


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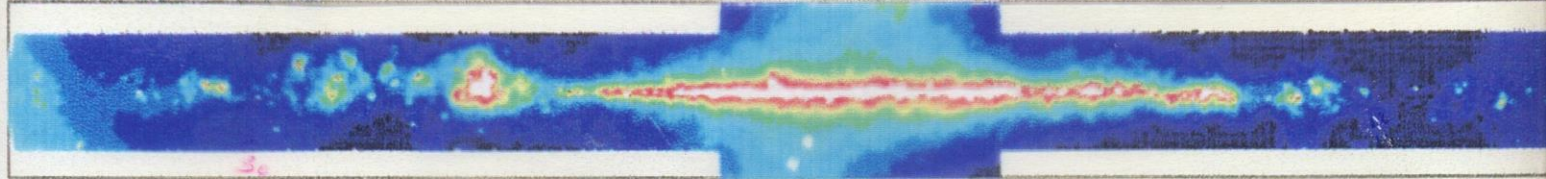


DIRBE Galactic Plane Maps

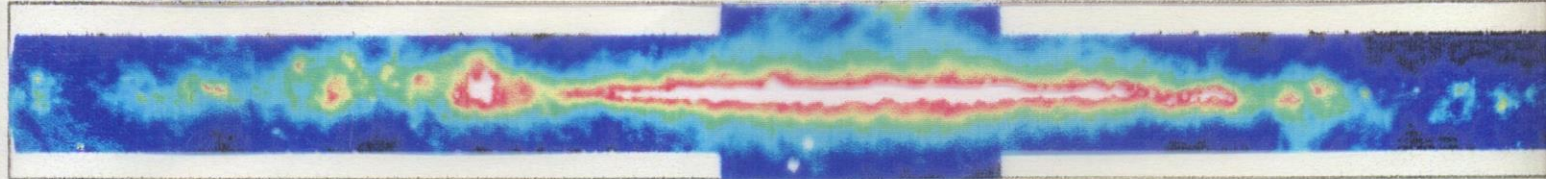
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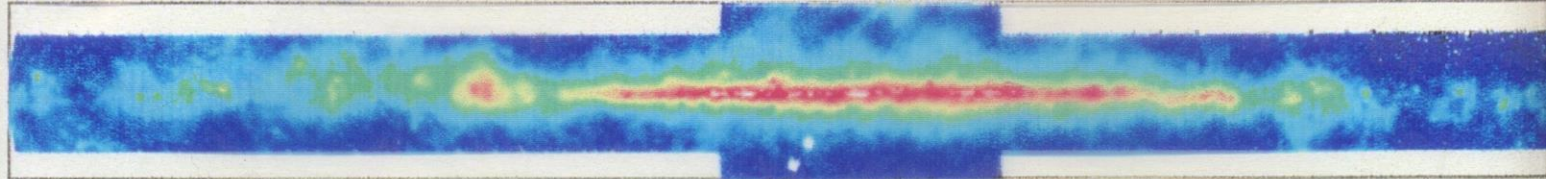
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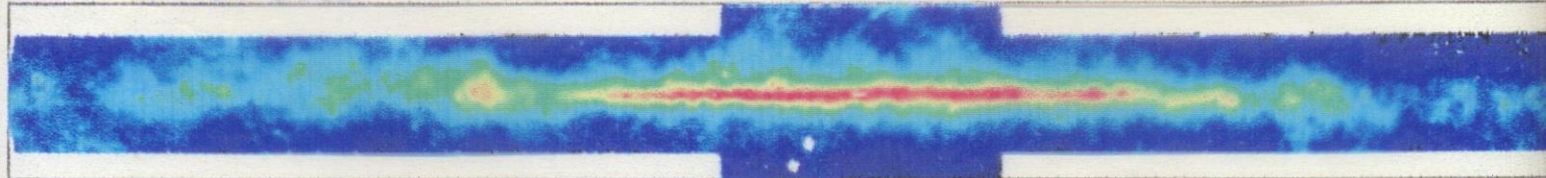
100 microns



140 microns



240 microns

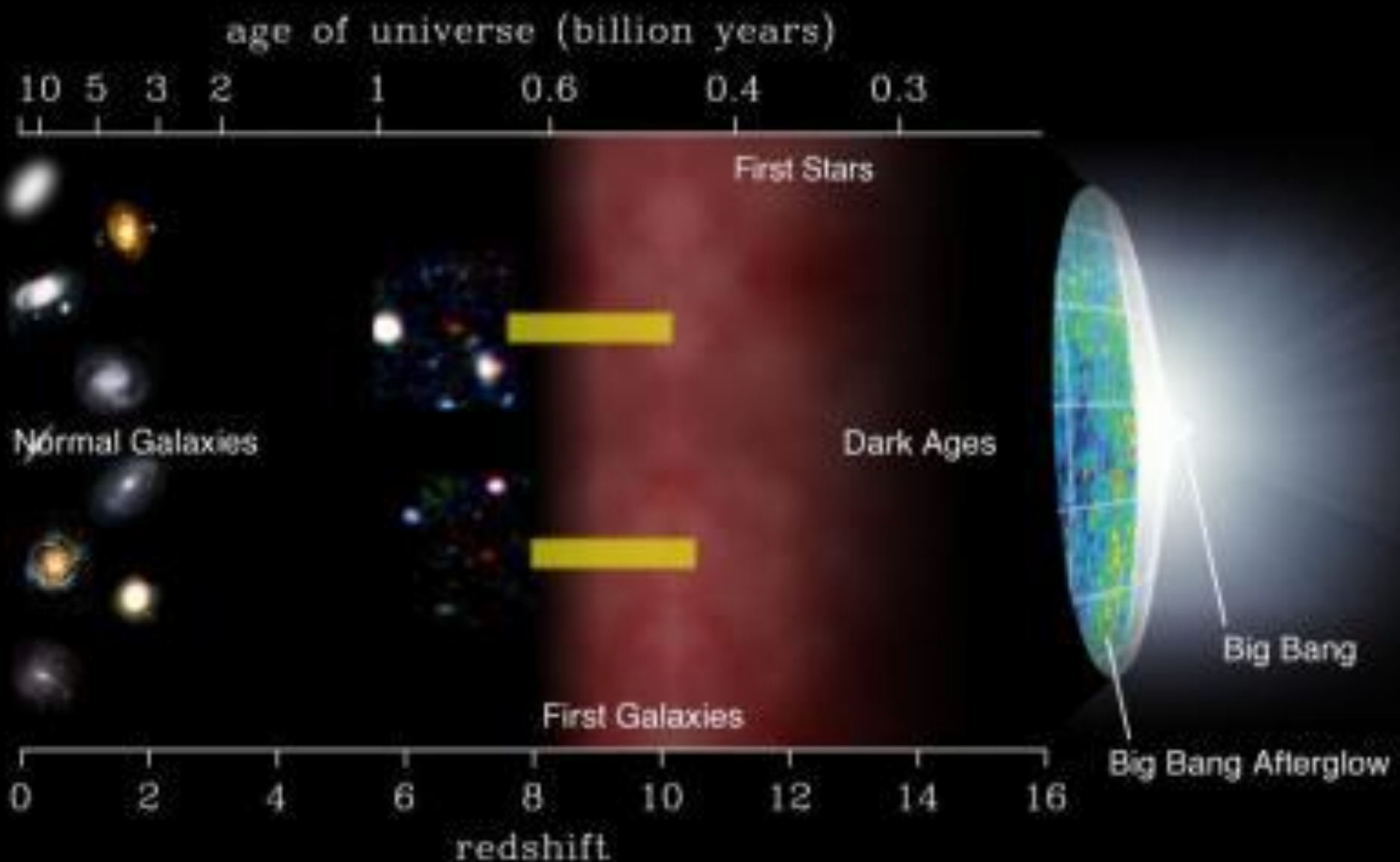


Redshift $z \sim 2 \rightarrow 10 \text{ Gyr} \rightarrow$
bulges in formation

Evidence show bulges already formed,
with no star formation in the center,
only in the surrounding disk
(Tacchella+15, Nelson+16)

Disks had much more gas than now,
of the order of 50% \rightarrow

Evolution of Universe vs. redshift



Tacconi+18: quantity of gas scales
with redshift: $(1+z)^{2.6}$

and effective radius scaling with
 $(1+z)^{-1}$ (Newman+12)

Therefore surface gas density scales
with: $(1+z)^{4.6}$

→ Probably the property of galaxies
that evolve most rapidly (Renzini+18).

Scenarios of bulge formation

1. Classical = central collapse

$$t_{\text{free-fall}} \sim (G\rho)^{-1/2}$$


→ bulge forms first, in $\sim 10^8$ yr

→ super-simplification → several models are acceptable and still rather similar

2. Evolution of the bar → transfer of gas and stars to the center of the Galaxy, causing bulge formation

**Several models in the lines of
option 1:**

**formation of bulge first
→ old bulge (13 Gyr)**

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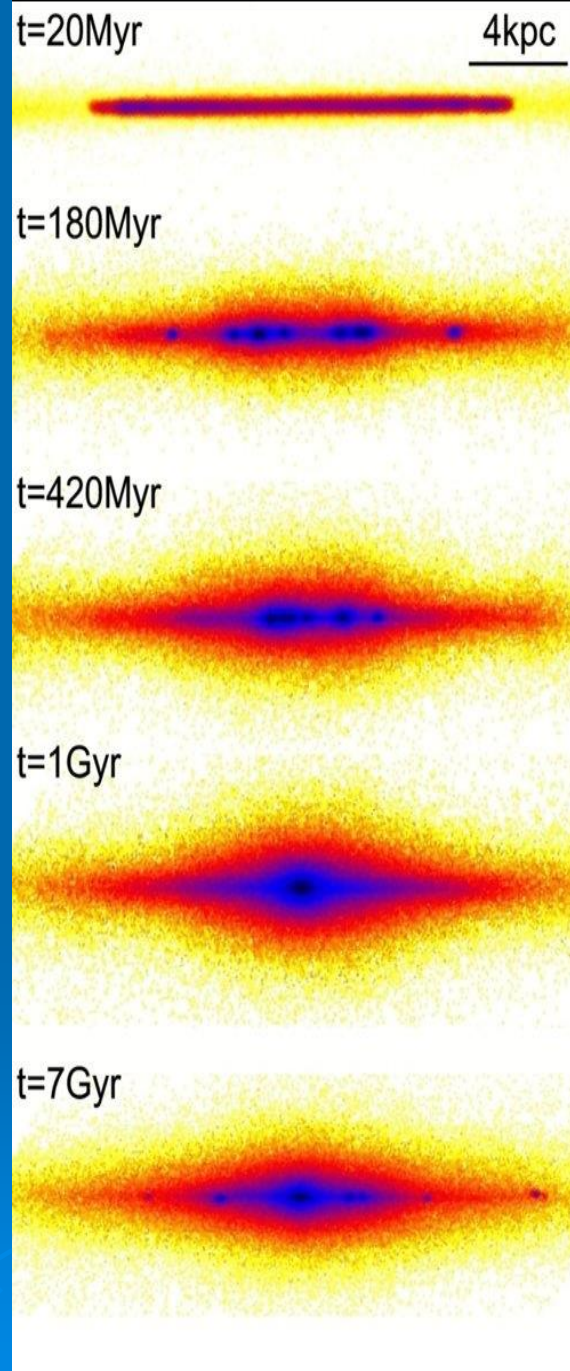
Clumps migrate and coalesce in the centers of protogalaxies (Bournaud)

Turbulent instabilities of disks, leading to intense star formation (Dekel & Burkert14, Tacchella+16).



Bournaud
et al. 2009

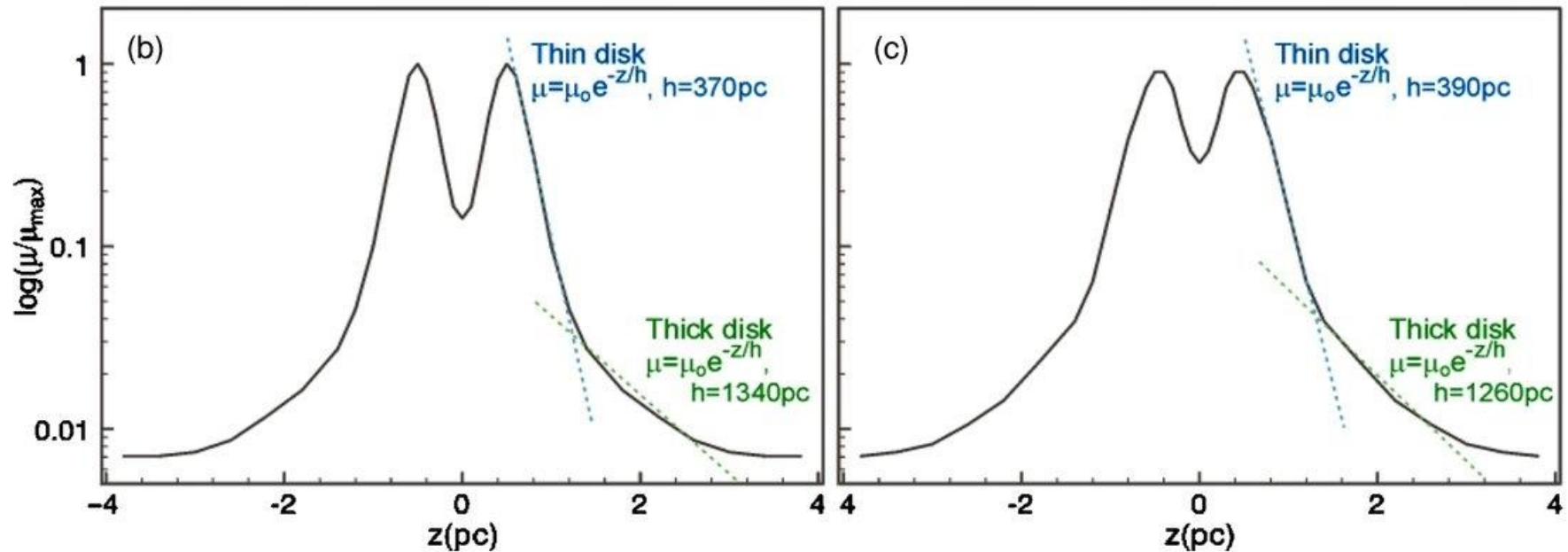
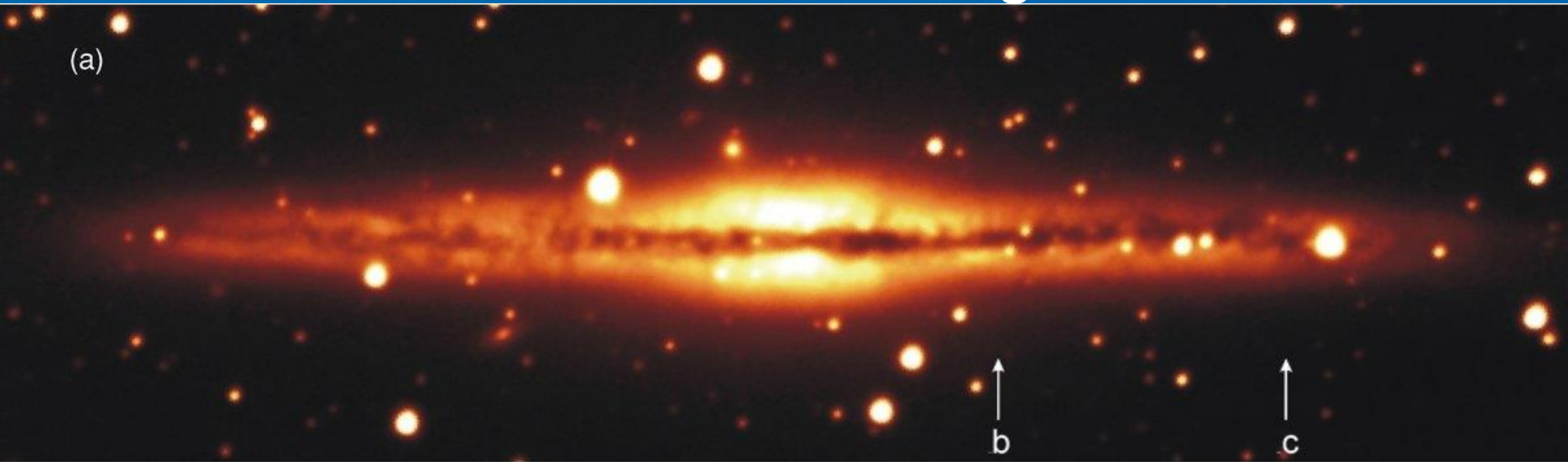
Clouds of gas
coalesce



Bournaud, Elmegreen, Martig 2009, ApJ 707, L1

NGC 891 – analog to Via Lactea

(a)

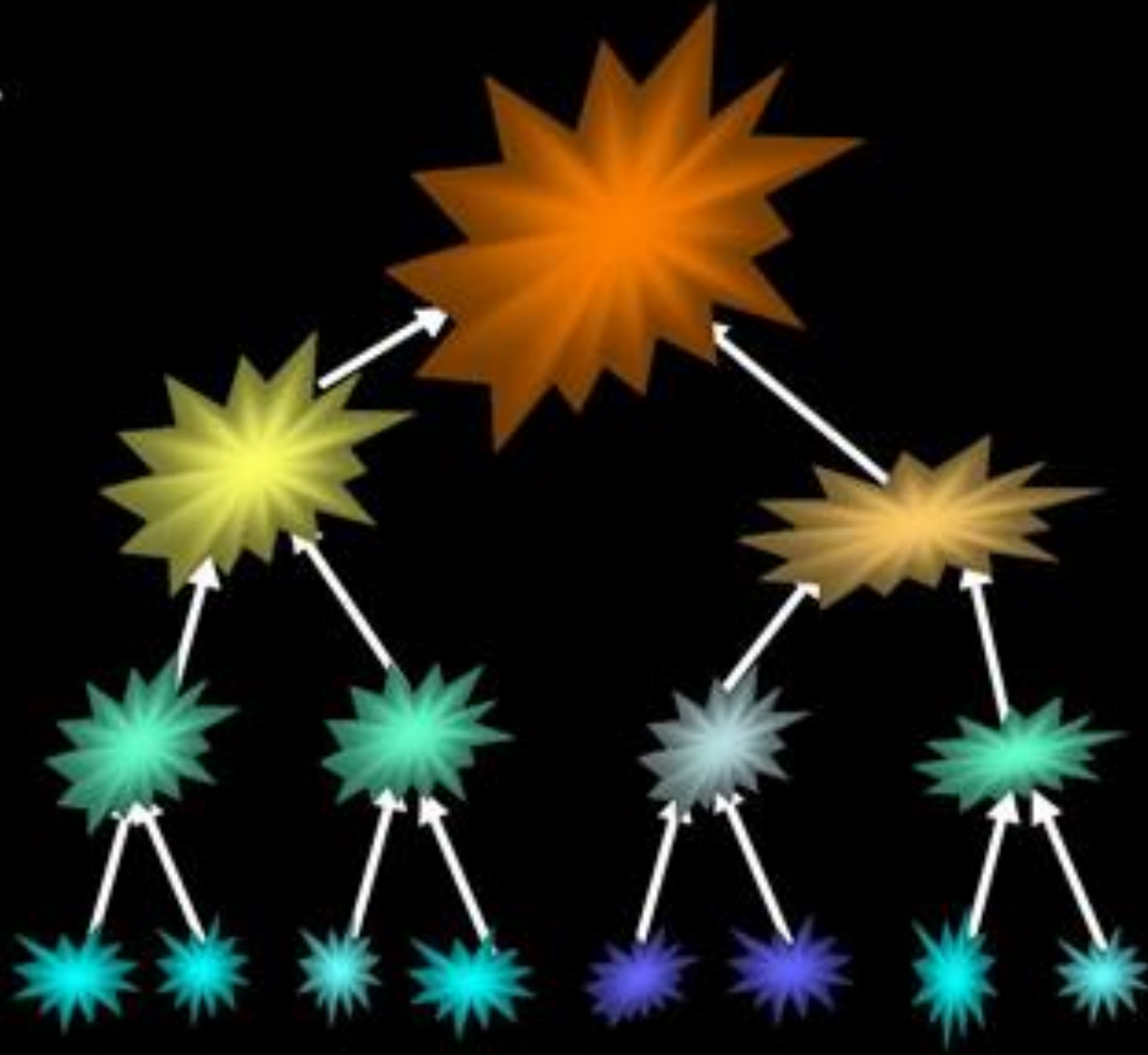


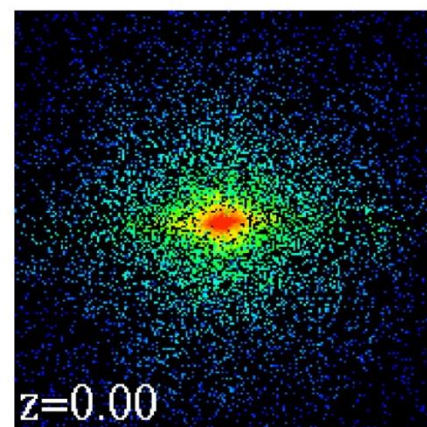
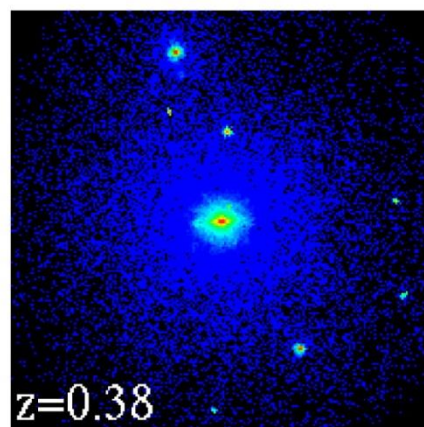
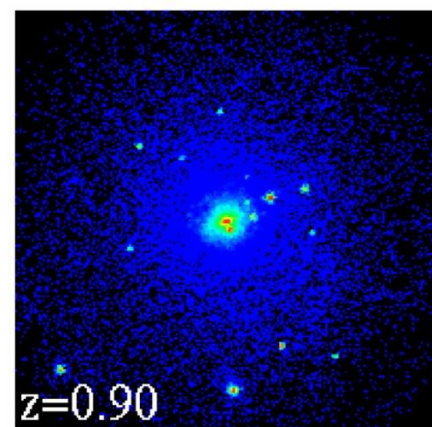
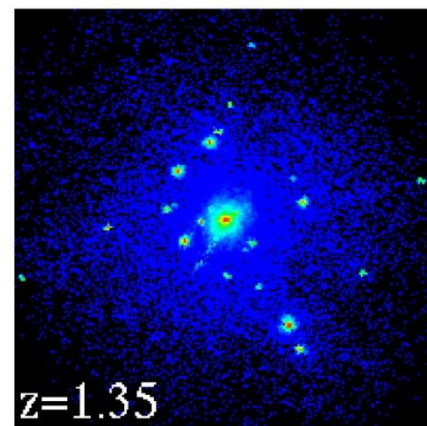
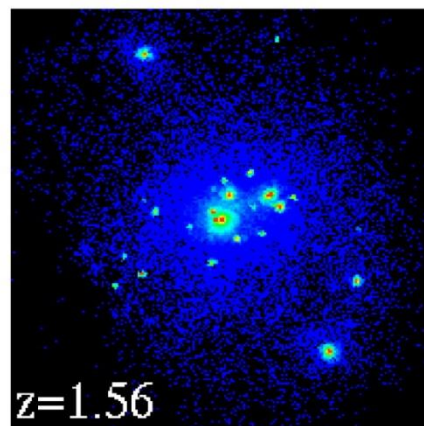
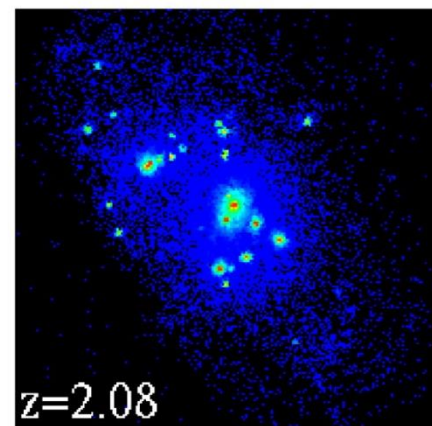
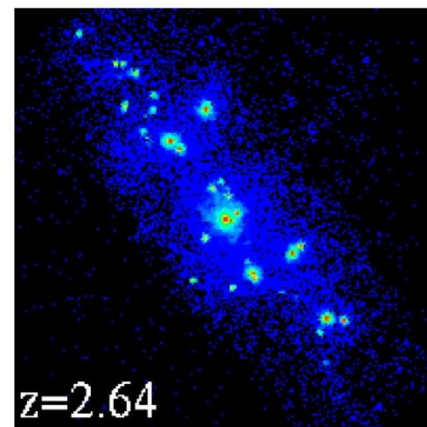
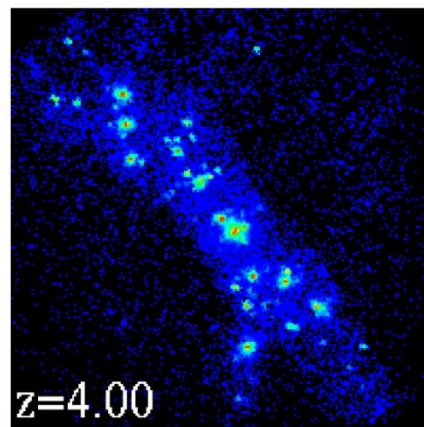
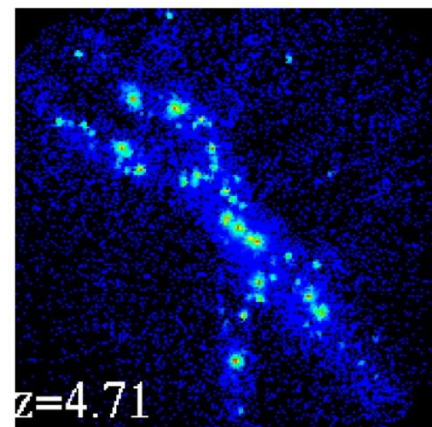
Cosmological simulations with dark matter and dark energy Λ (so-called model Λ CDM) :

Formation of small disks of dark matter:

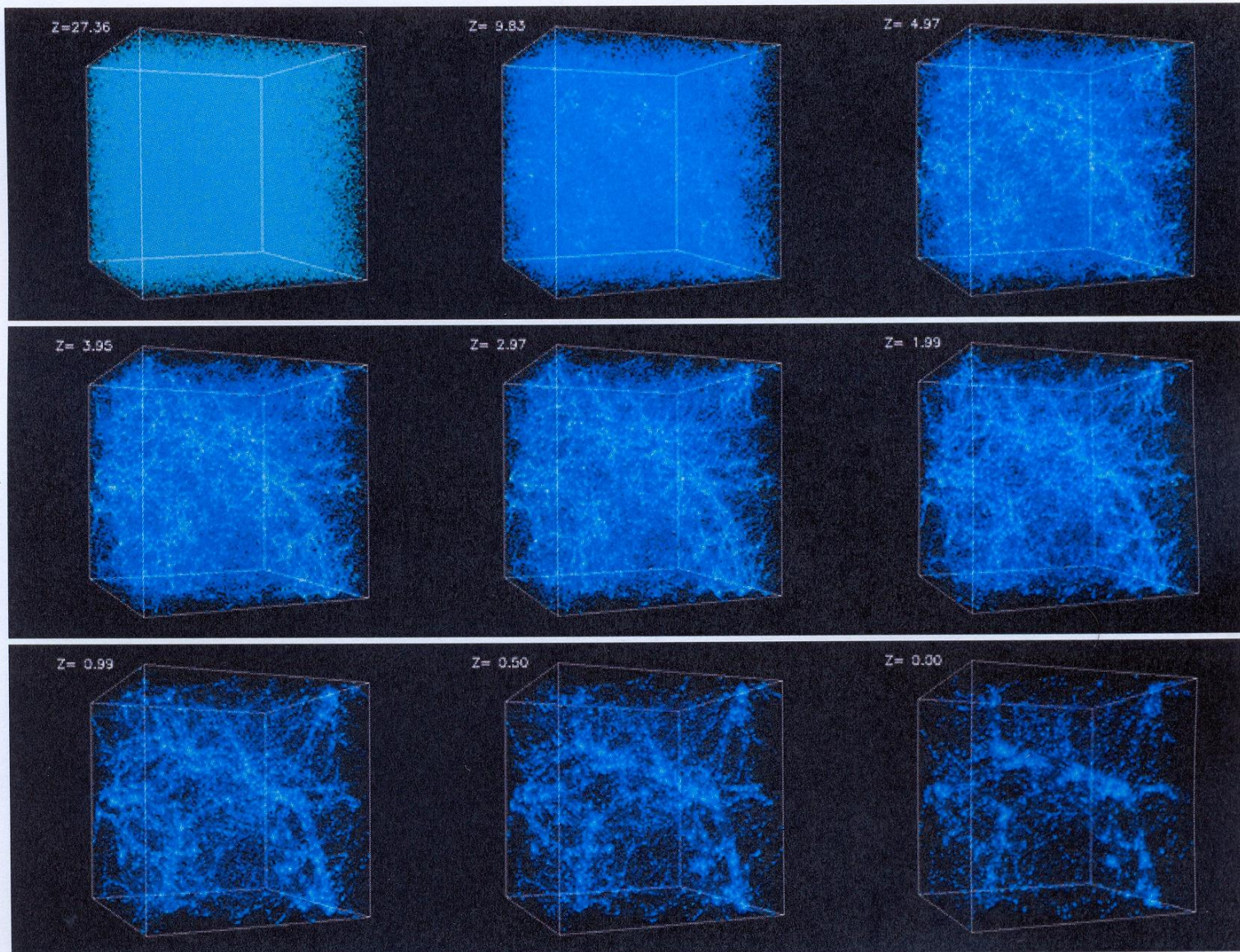
- these disks coalesce
- gas falls in these potential wells due to gravity
- bulges form first

Small objects merging to form larger

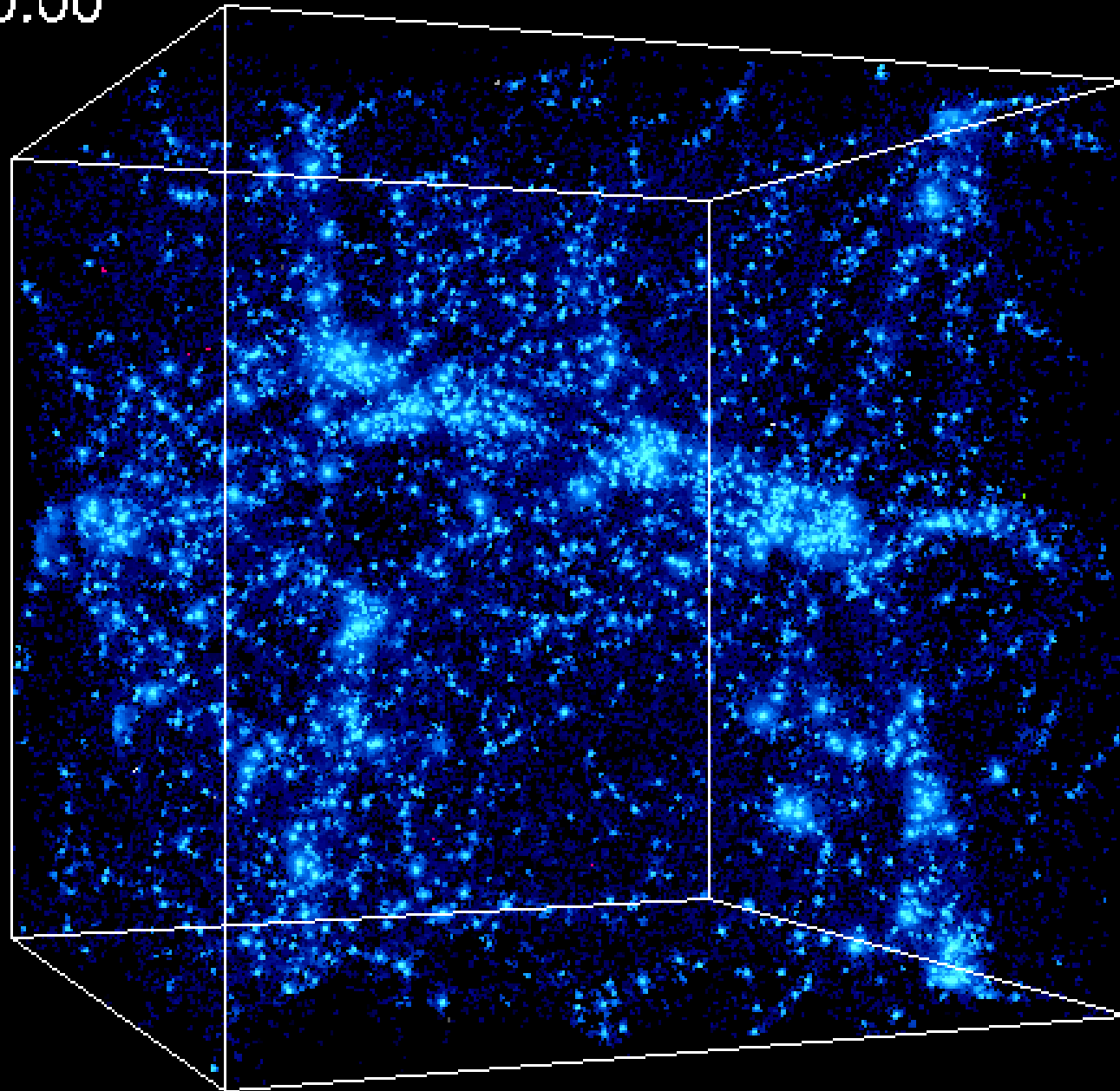




Formation of the large-scale structure in the Universe: filaments



$z = 0.00$



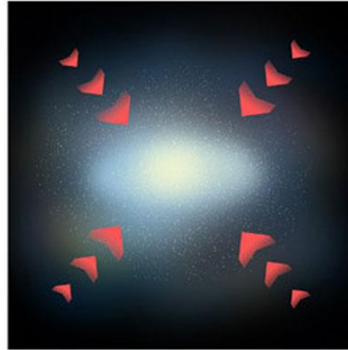
The Growth of Bulges in Spiral Galaxies

Three evolutionary scenarios

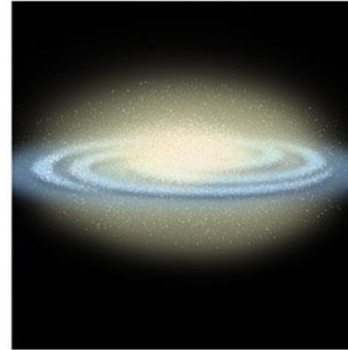
Rapid Collapse



1. Primordial hydrogen cloud.

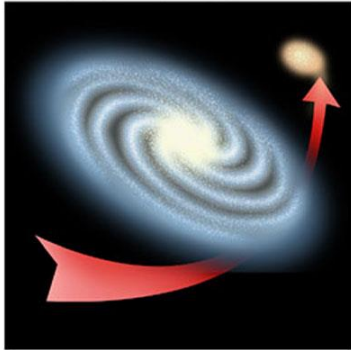


2. Cloud collapses under gravity.

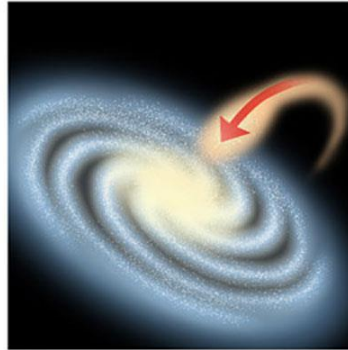


3. Large bulge of ancient stars dominates galaxy.

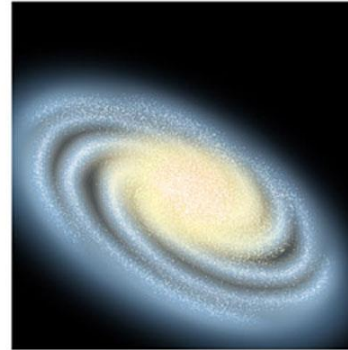
Environmental Effects



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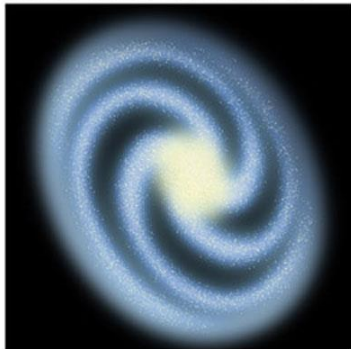


2. Smaller galaxy falls into disk galaxy.

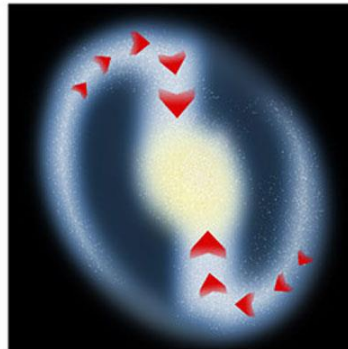


3. Bulge inflates with addition of young stars and gas.

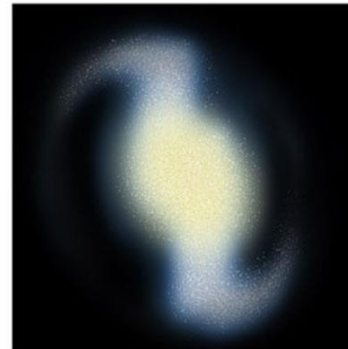
Internal Evolution



1. Disk galaxy forms around small bulge.



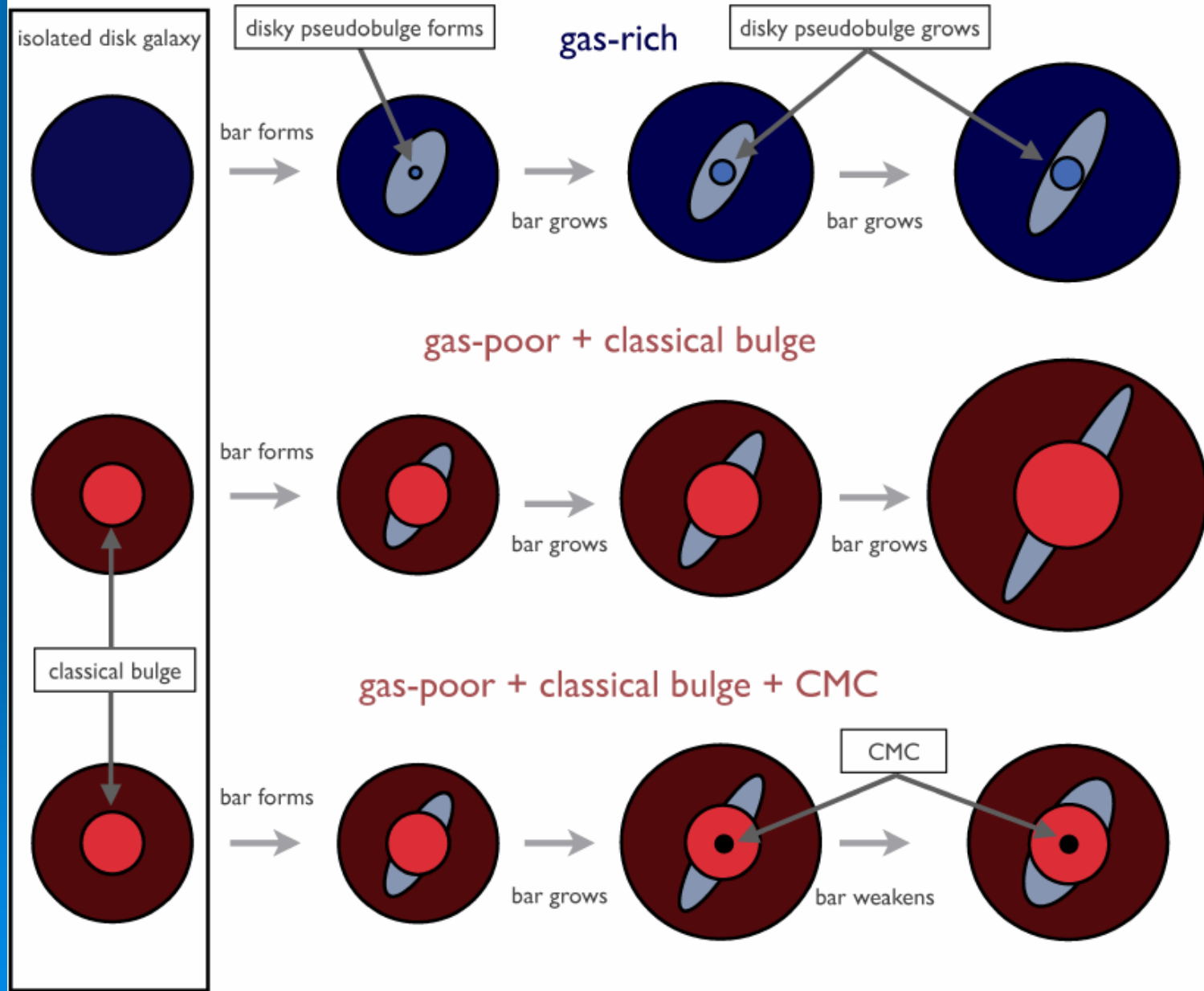
2. Disk perturbations form a bar-like structure which shovels fresh gas into the center.



3. As bulge grows with new stars the bar is disrupted and dissipates.


CMC =
Central
Mass
Concen-
tration

Schematic of Bar Formation and Evolution

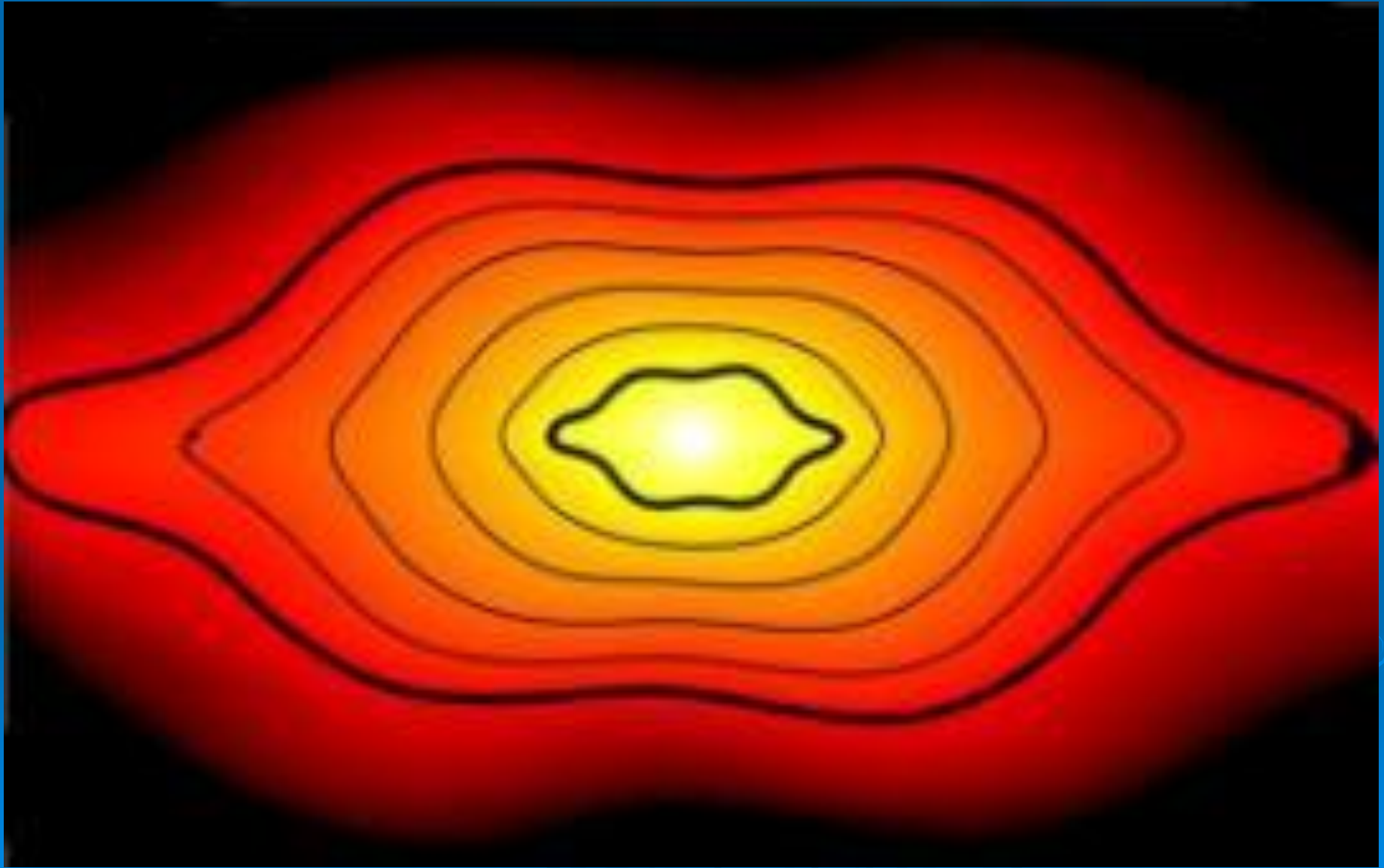


Buckling: in simulations, galactic bars can buckle, due to a vertical instability that can occur in the bar shortly after its formation.

When this asymmetric buckling eventually ends, the inner part of the bar settles into a vertically symmetric structure again:
B/P bulge = bar/peanut bulge

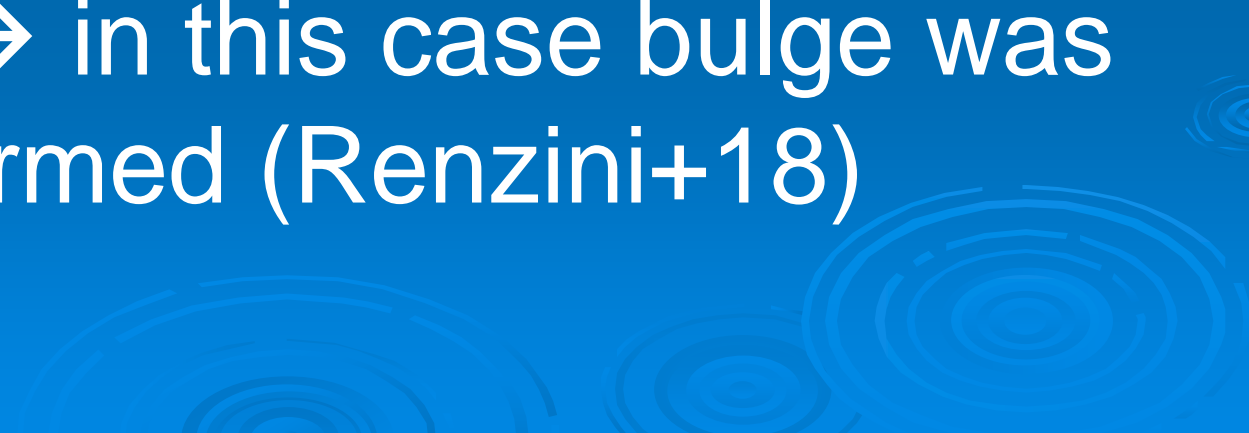
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Bar/peanut shape



The formation of the bar and buckling in the MW are confirmed, given its box/peanut shape.

But this has probably occurred more recently, when there was already little gas → in this case bulge was already formed (Renzini+18)

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Age of bar in the MW:
8 Gyr (Buck et al. 2018)

Oldest stars: 13 Gyr

→ Ages of younger stars in the bulge – its verification in the future is an importante project

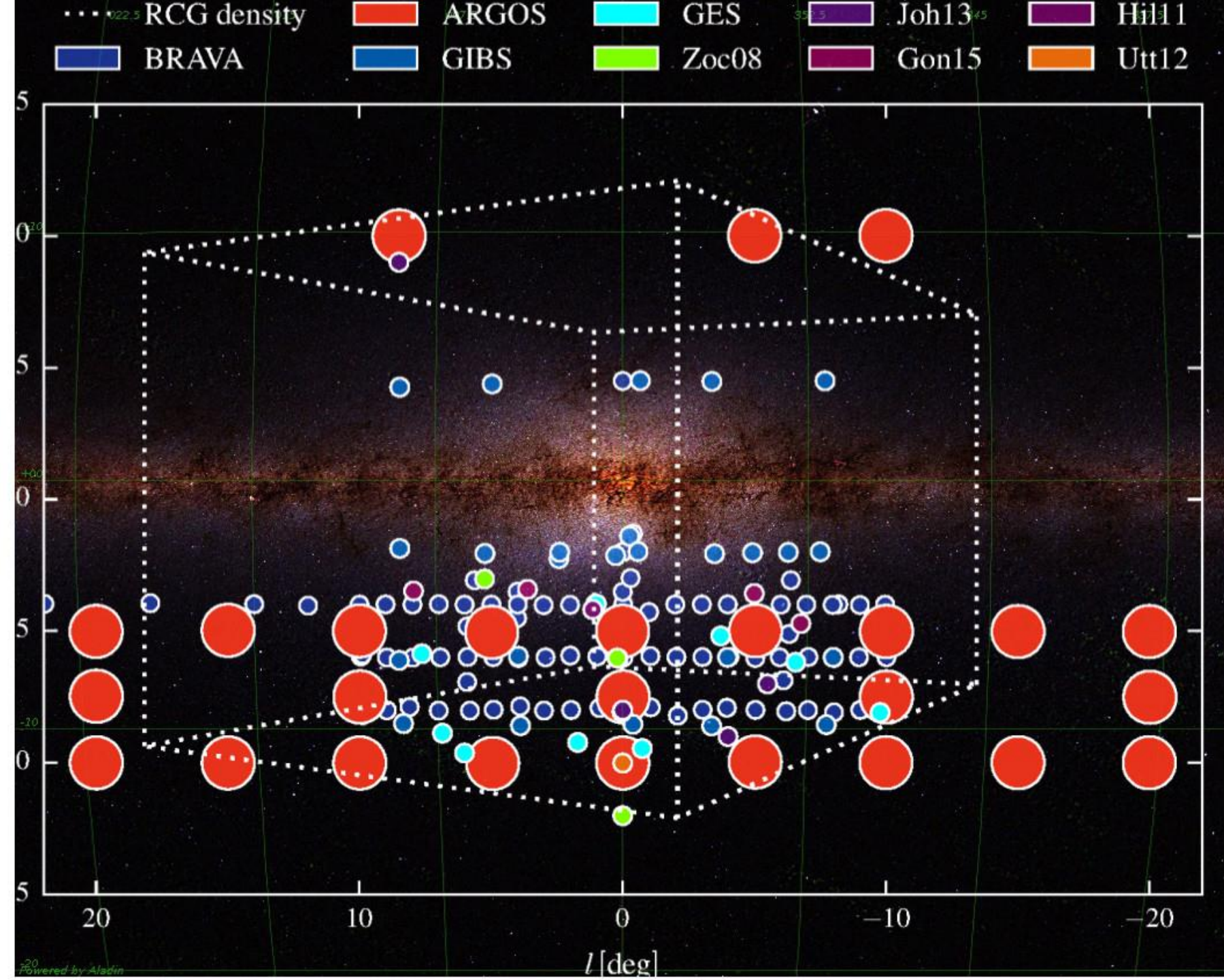
Observations



**Field in
the
Galactic
bulge**

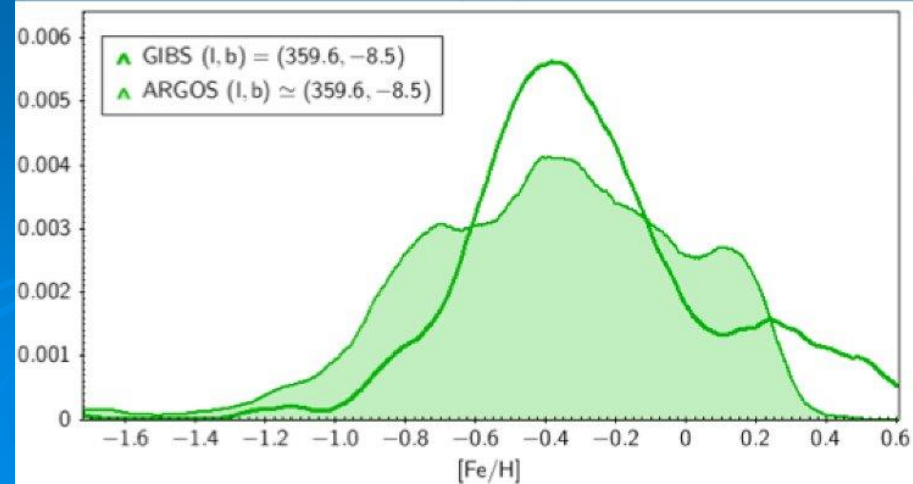
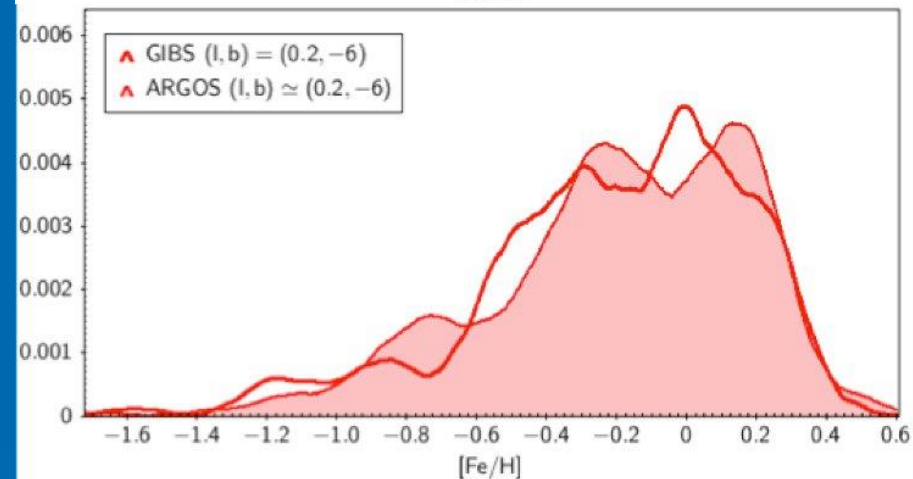
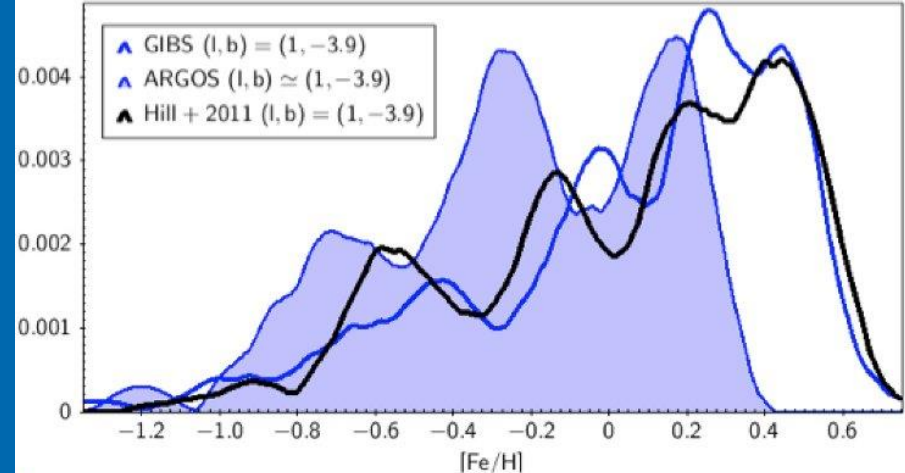
NGC 6528





ARA&A
2018

Barbuy,
Chiappini
Gerhard



Why oxygen abundances are important →
high oxygen-to-iron → fast enrichment by the
first supernovae – Fe comes later from SNIa

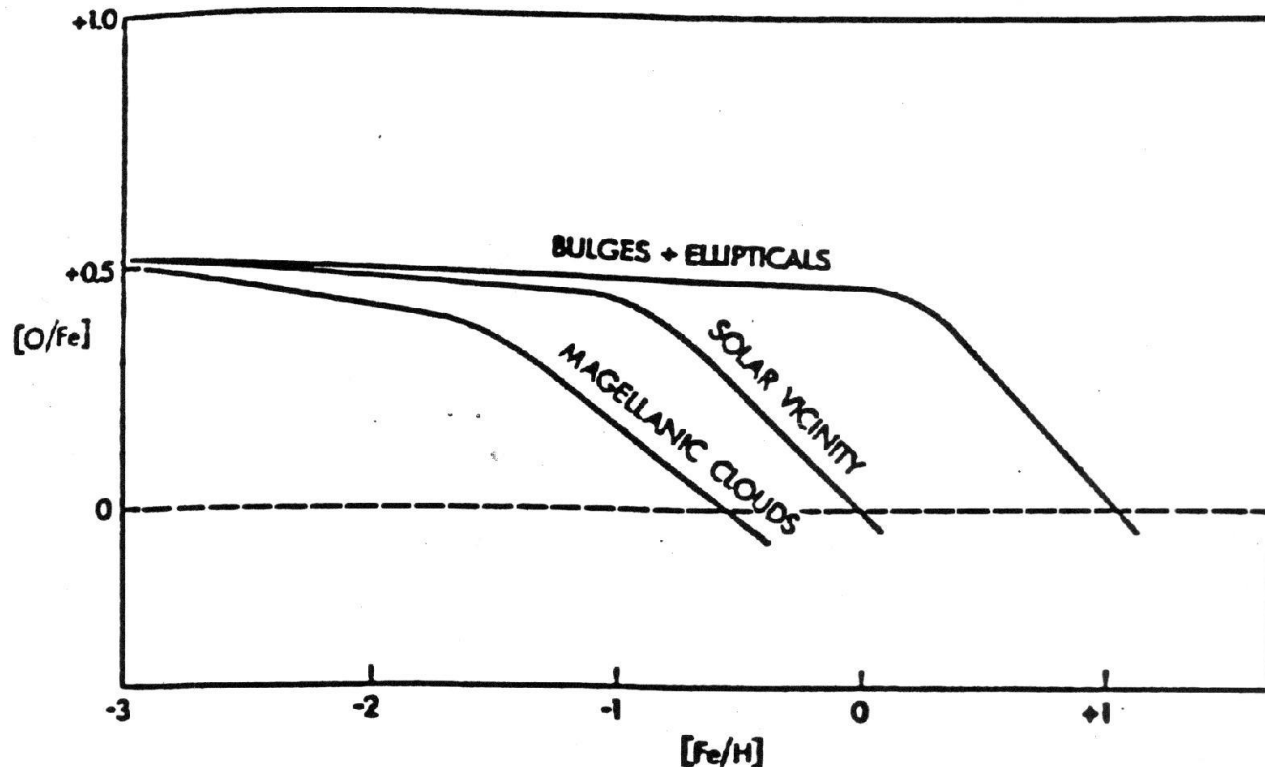
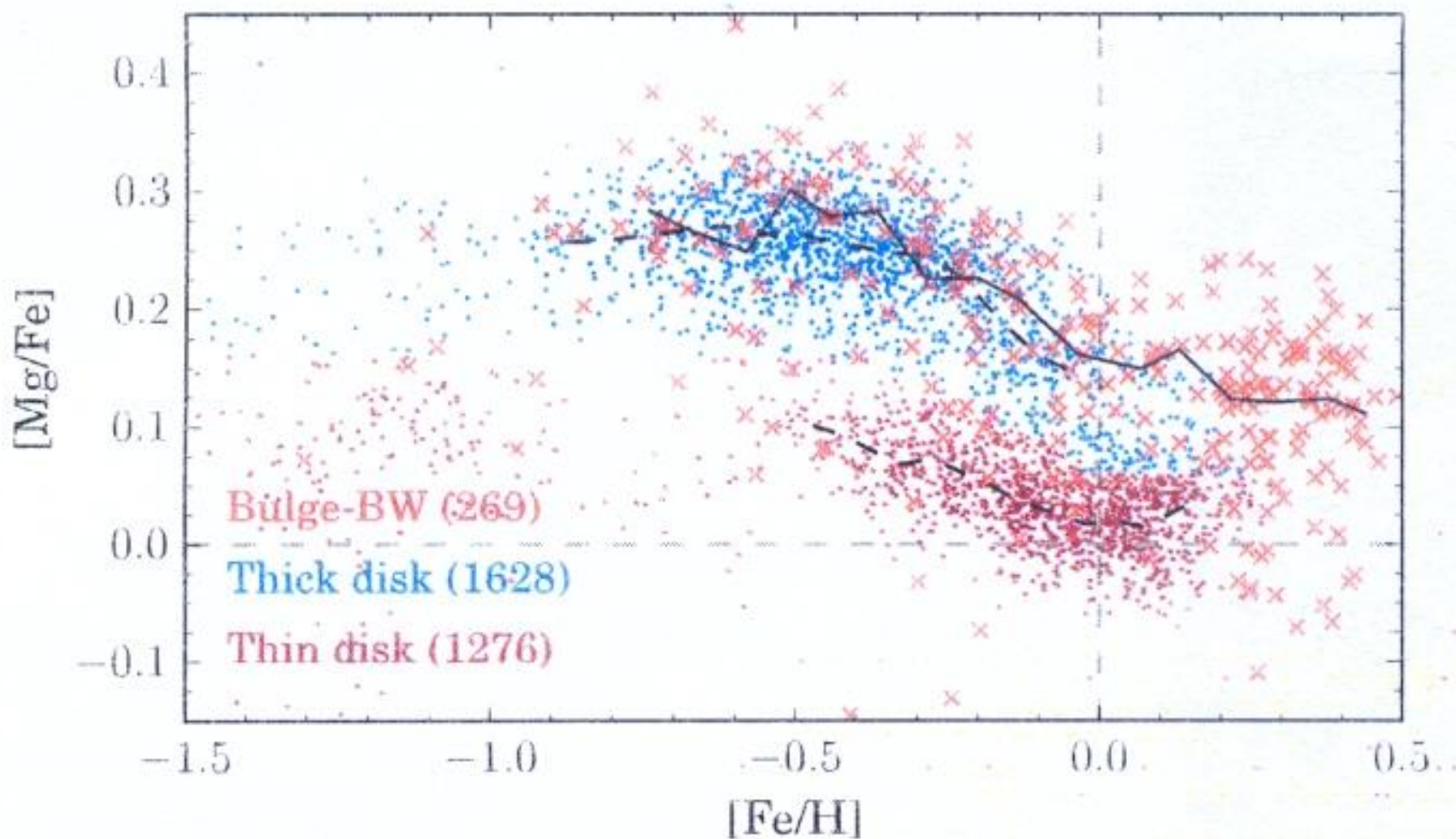
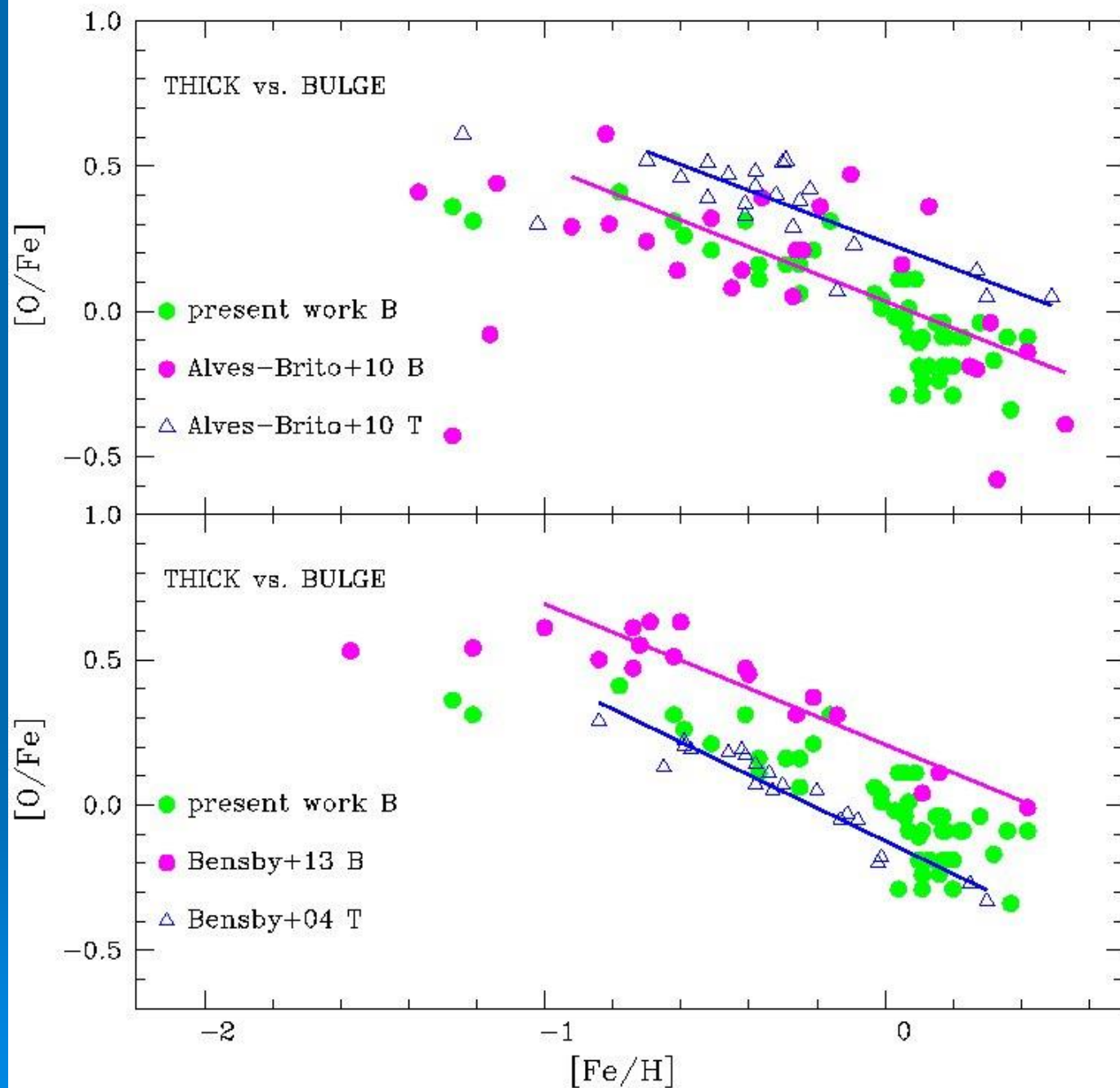


FIG. 4.—A sketch of the predicted $[O/Fe]$ vs. $[Fe/H]$ relations in different systems as a consequence of their different $[Fe/H]$ - t relations.

Bulge vs. Thick disk – different or the same?



Friça Barbuy 2017

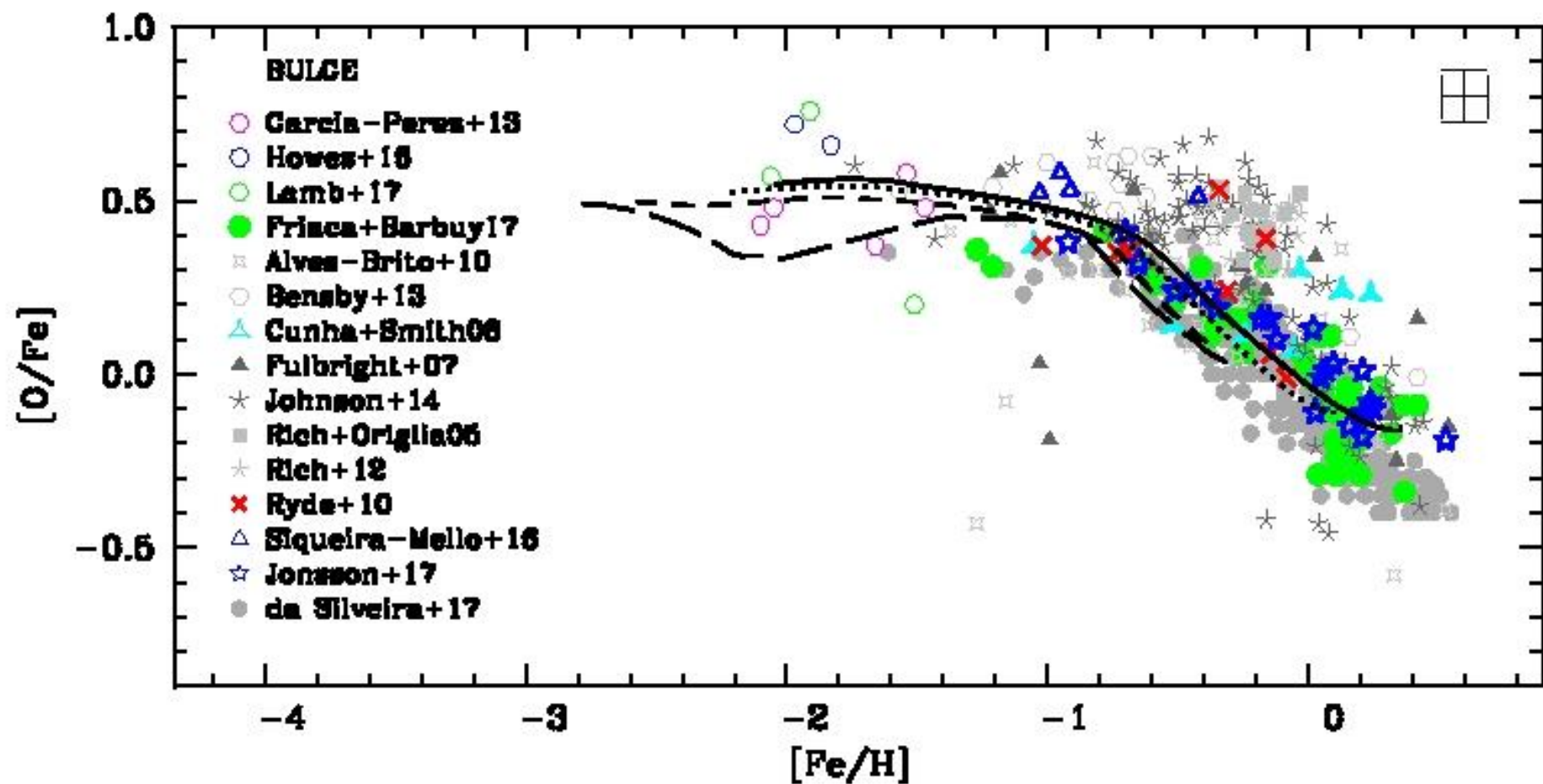


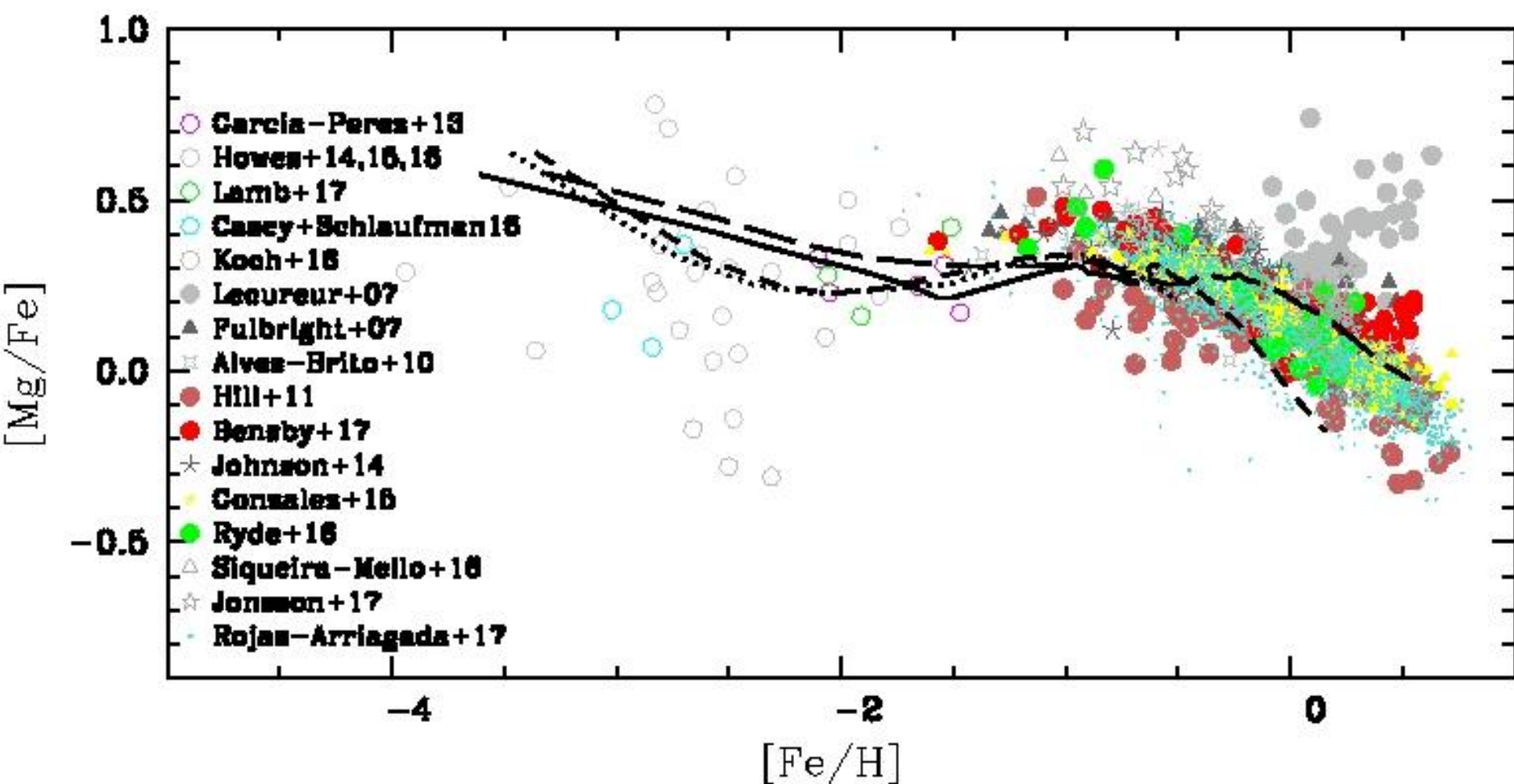
Differences Bulge vs. Thick Disk

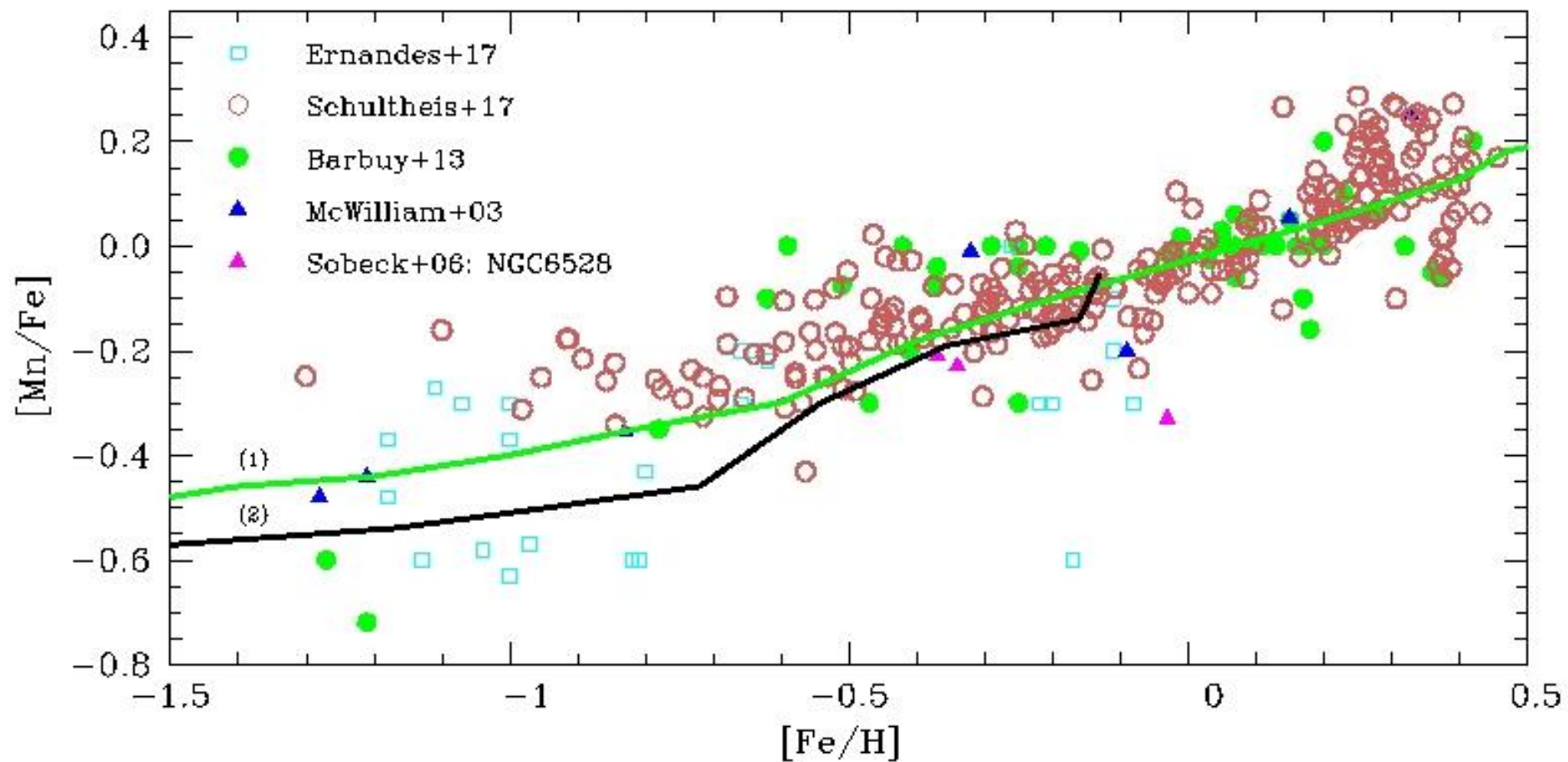
Table 3 Level of abundance ratio plateau, and knee when it starts to drop, for comparable populations of Bulge (B) and thick-disk (TD) stars

| Reference | Stars B/TD | [O, Mg/Fe] Plateau | [Fe/H] Knee | Reference | Stars B/TD | [Mg/Fe] Plateau | [Fe/H] Knee |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Friaca & Barbuy (2017) | B | +0.30 | -0.55 ± 0.03 | Hill et al. (2011) | B | +0.36 | -0.4 to -0.5 |
| Bensby et al. (2013, 2017) | B | +0.41 | -0.45 to -0.05 | Bensby et al. (2017) | TD | +0.36 | -0.6 |
| Rojas-Arriagada et al. (2017) | B | $+0.310 \pm 0.11$ | -0.37 | Rojas-Arriagada et al. (2017) | TD | $+0.304 \pm 0.07$ | -0.43 |

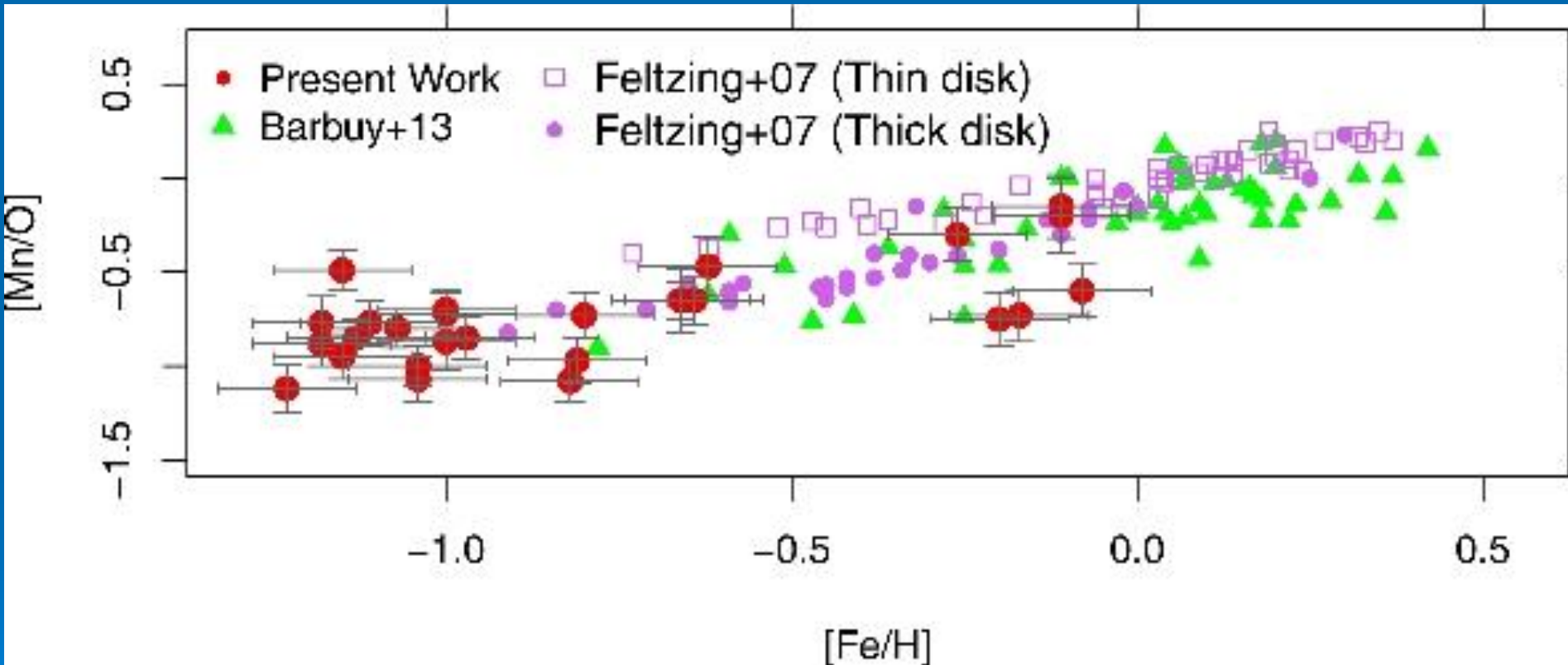
Barbuy, Chiappini, Gerhard 2018



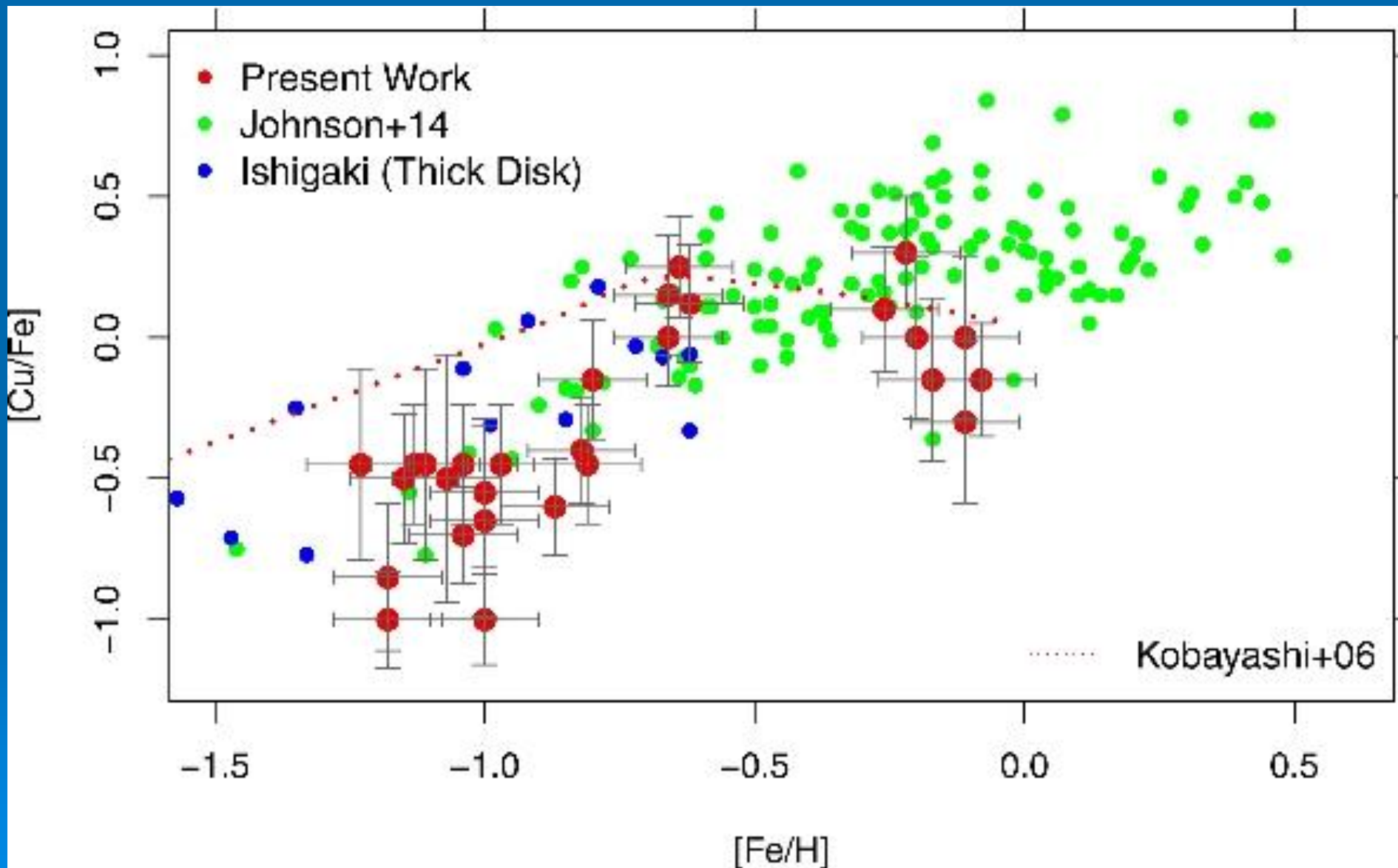


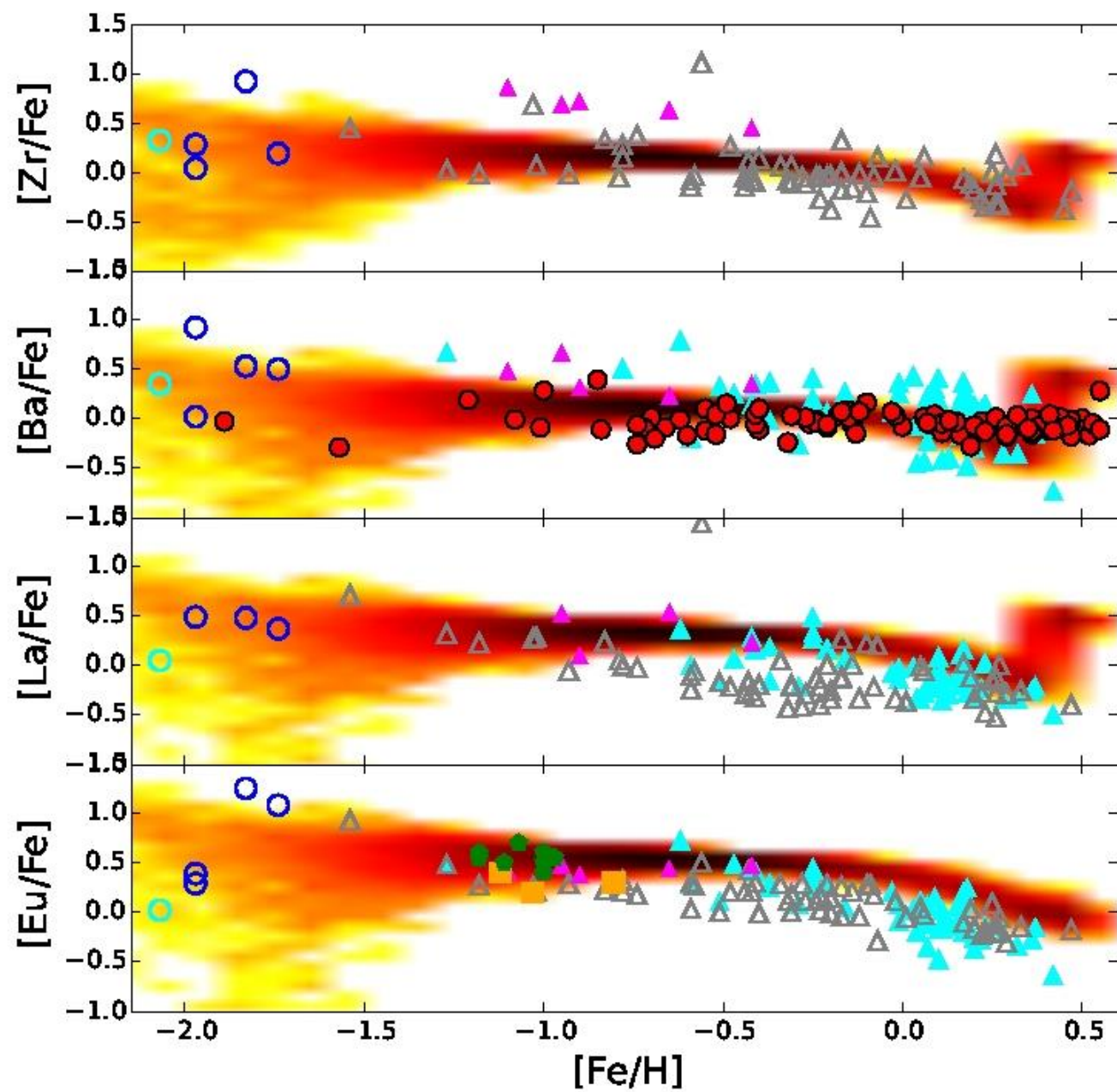


Ernandes+18; $[\text{Mn}/\text{O}]$ distinguishes thin-thick disk
field bulge + GCs slightly more $[\text{Mn}/\text{O}]$ -poor



Ernandes+18: GCs more Cu-poor





Globular clusters in the bulge

Hansen et al. 2013 (Nature): difference of 2 Gyr between blue globular clusters (metal-poor), and red (metal-rich).

Red: formed in situ, or in mergers

Blue: formed very early, and they are not produced in mergers

Formation of globular clusters

Forbes+18:

WHEN did GCs form?:

>12.8 Gyr ($z > \sim 6$) before the end of reionisation
or

$z \sim 2$ closer to the peak in cosmic star formation:

Most GCs are very old, younger branch
associated with disrupted Sgr dwarf and other
accreted GCs

WHERE:

Forbes+18:

Two-phase galaxy formation:

Large galaxies: initial in-situ
+ satellite accretion

or

Choksi et al. 2018 →

Choksi, Gnedin & Liu (2018): all GCs result from accretion of satellite galaxies.

DM halos from Millenium-II → bimodality arises from hierarchical mergers.

Blue GCs form from **many mergers of low-mass haloes at high redshift**

Red GCs form from **a few high-mass mergers at low redshift.**

Half of GCs form at $5 < z < 2.3$ or
10.8 to 12.5 Gyr

Renaud et al. 2017:

Cosmological hydrodynamic + N-body
zoom-in simulation of a Milky Way galaxy

Blue globulars: accreted satellite galaxies

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Renzini 2017

Formation of GCs at $3 < z < 8$,
(peak at $z \sim 5$?), preceding the
bulk of stars in galaxies

NIRCam onboard JWST:


FoV: $10 \text{ arcmin}^2 \rightarrow \sim 60 \text{ GCs}$

- \rightarrow direct detection of GC formation,
- \rightarrow info on redshift formation, $+1\text{G}/2\text{G}$

Formation of globular clusters

Blue GCs ($[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < \sim -0.9$), from their ages, suggest their formation before collapse (formation) of the Galaxy

Boley et al. 2009: model Λ CDM, with formation of BGCs before reionization: with 10% formed at $z \sim 18$, and the rest at $z \sim 13$, and at $z \sim 10$, formation truncated by reionization.

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Renaud, Agertz & Gieles (2017):
BCGs form in satellite galaxies and are
later accreted

Perspectives to get answers:

Springel: ``to check how many of their bulges
originate in major mergers vs. Disk instability
in their simulations``

Renzini (2017): GCs 12.5 Gyr, $z \sim 5$
→ JWST NIRCam, NIRSpec.

Globular Clusters in the Galactic bulge

Bica, Ortolani, Barbuy 2016, PASA, 33, 16

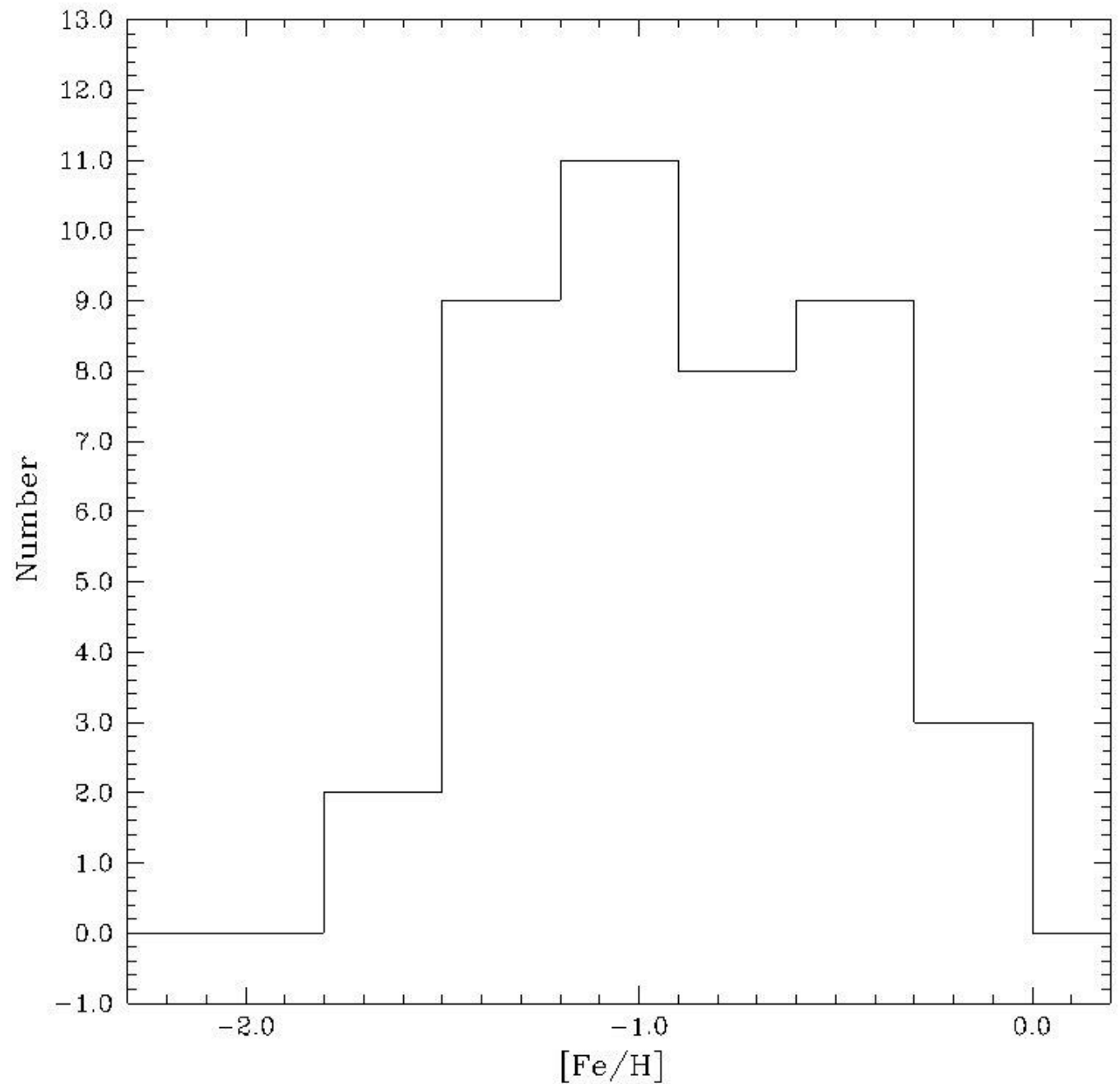
43 genuine bulge globular clusters
($RGC < 3.5$ kpc, $l, b < 20^\circ$)

plus:

40 including halo intruders, outer bulge shell, "disk" clusters (metal-rich, $R > 4.5$ kpc)

Bica+16

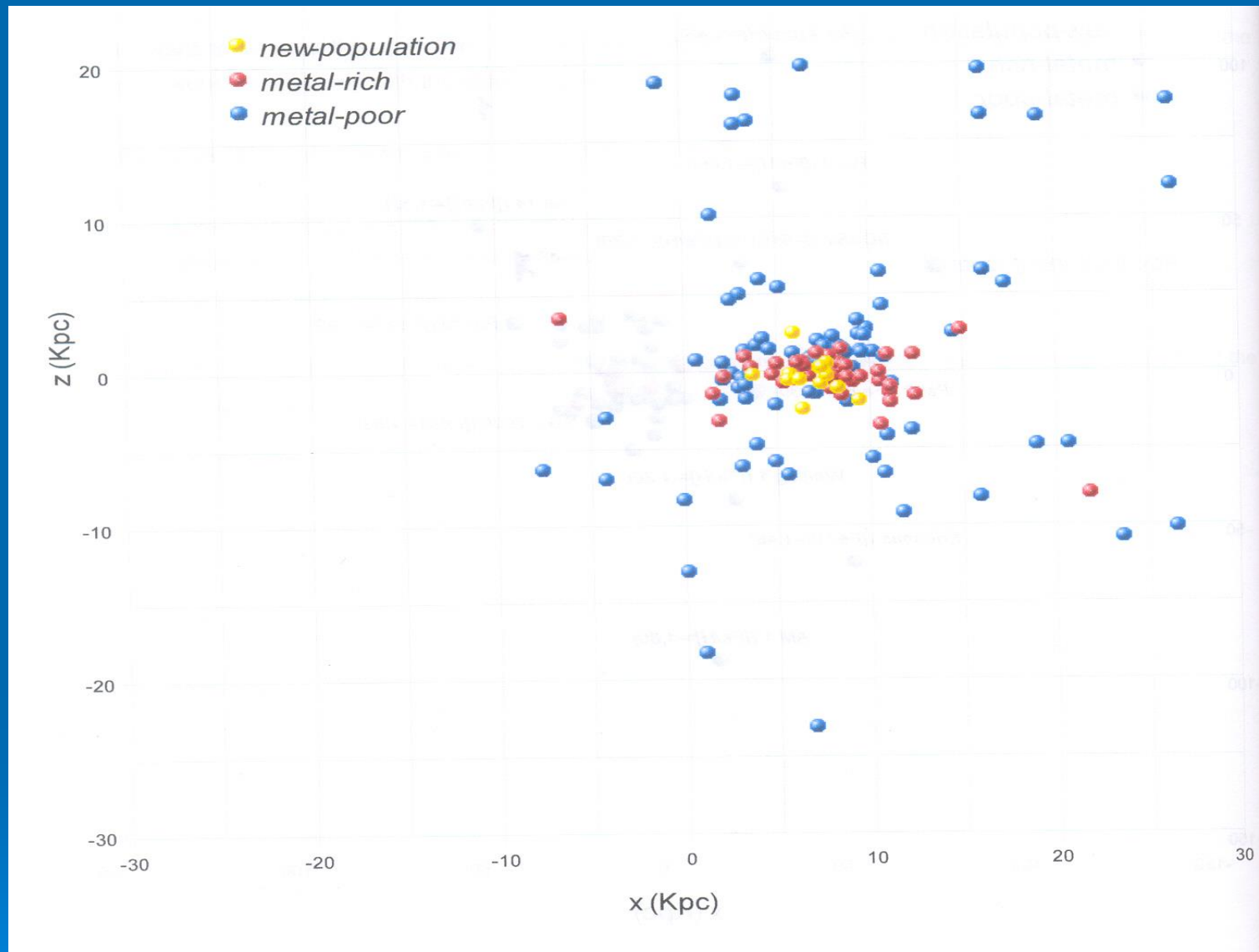
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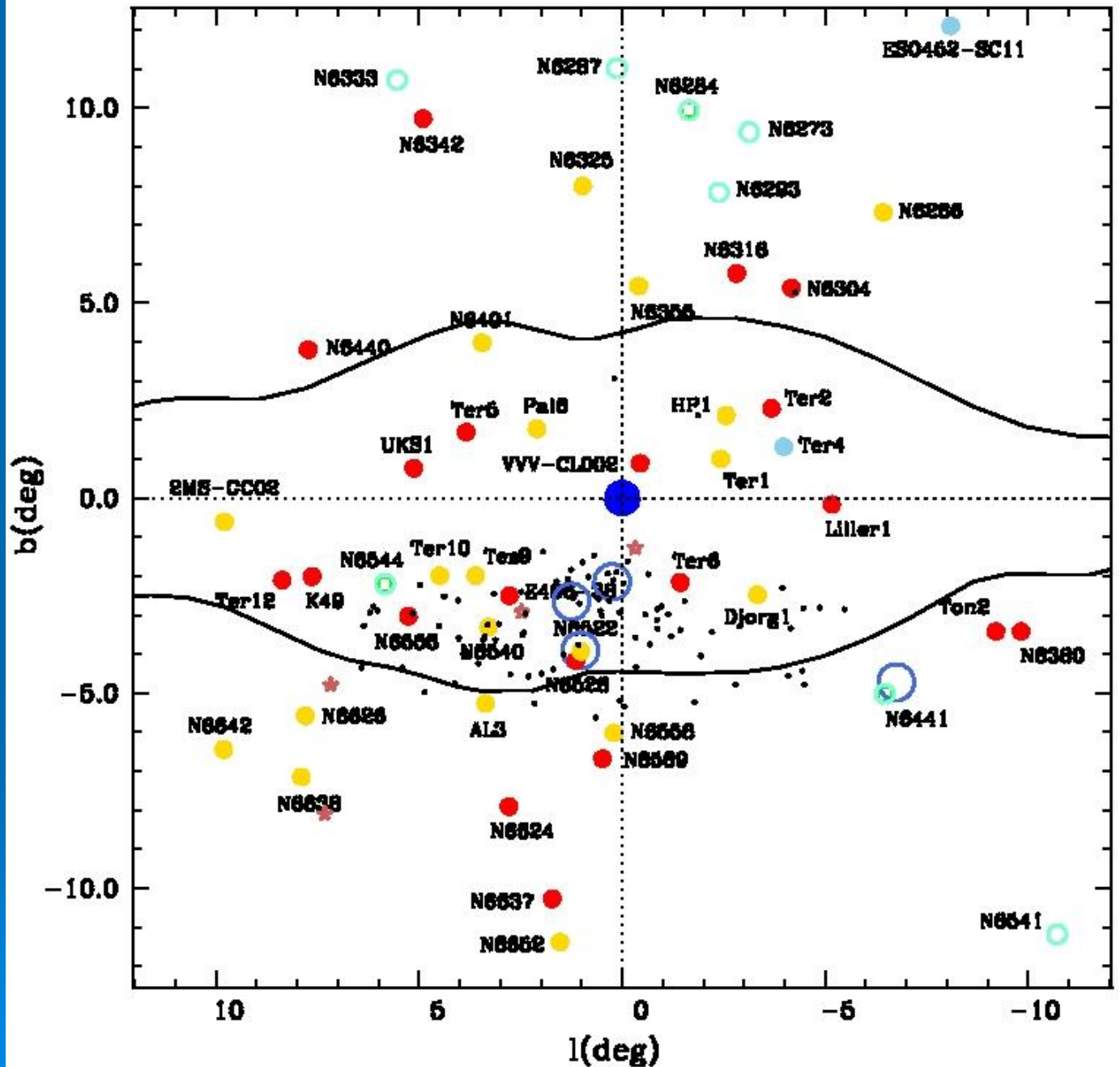
Galactic
center:

Very old
GCs

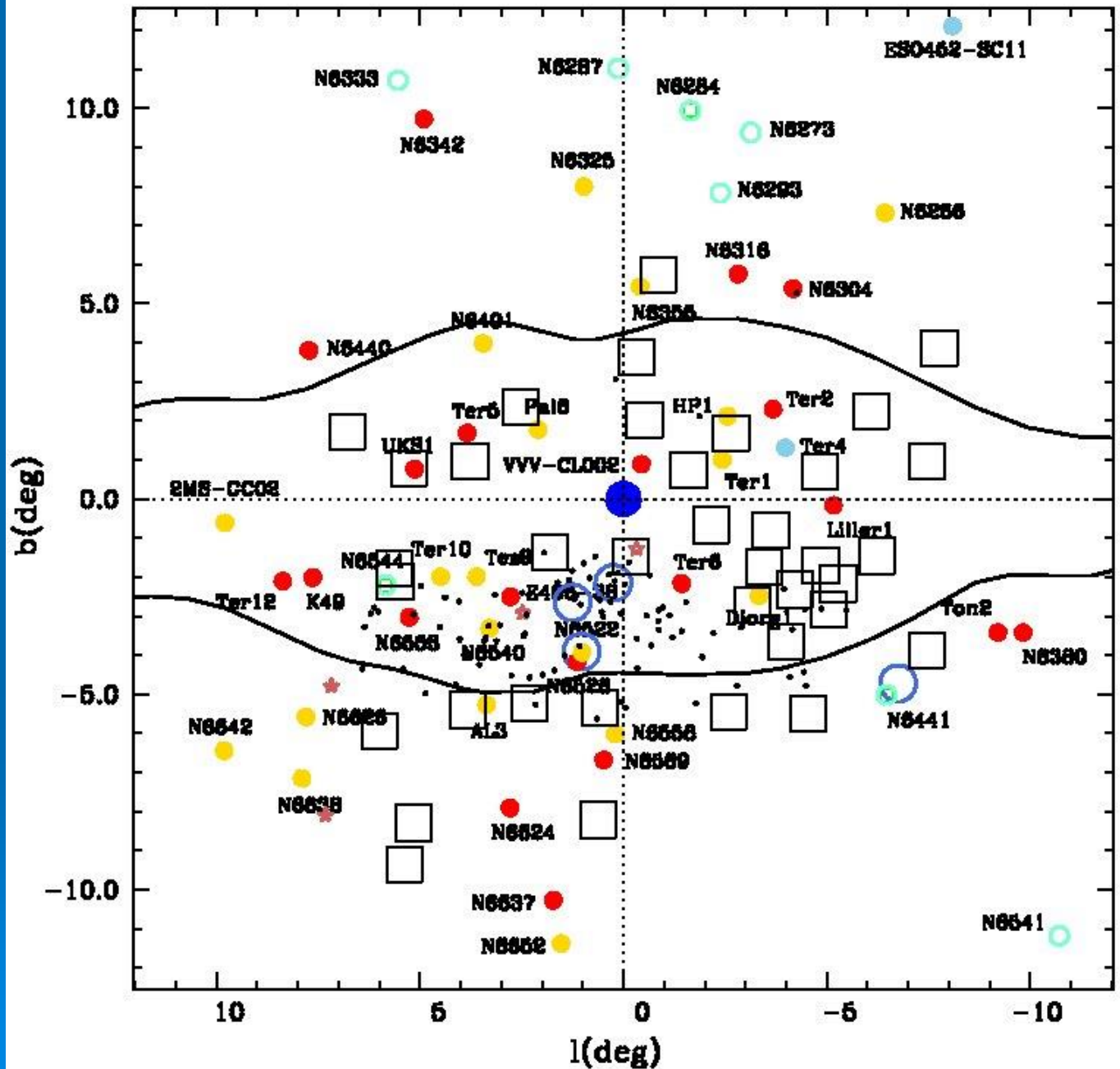
13 Gyr



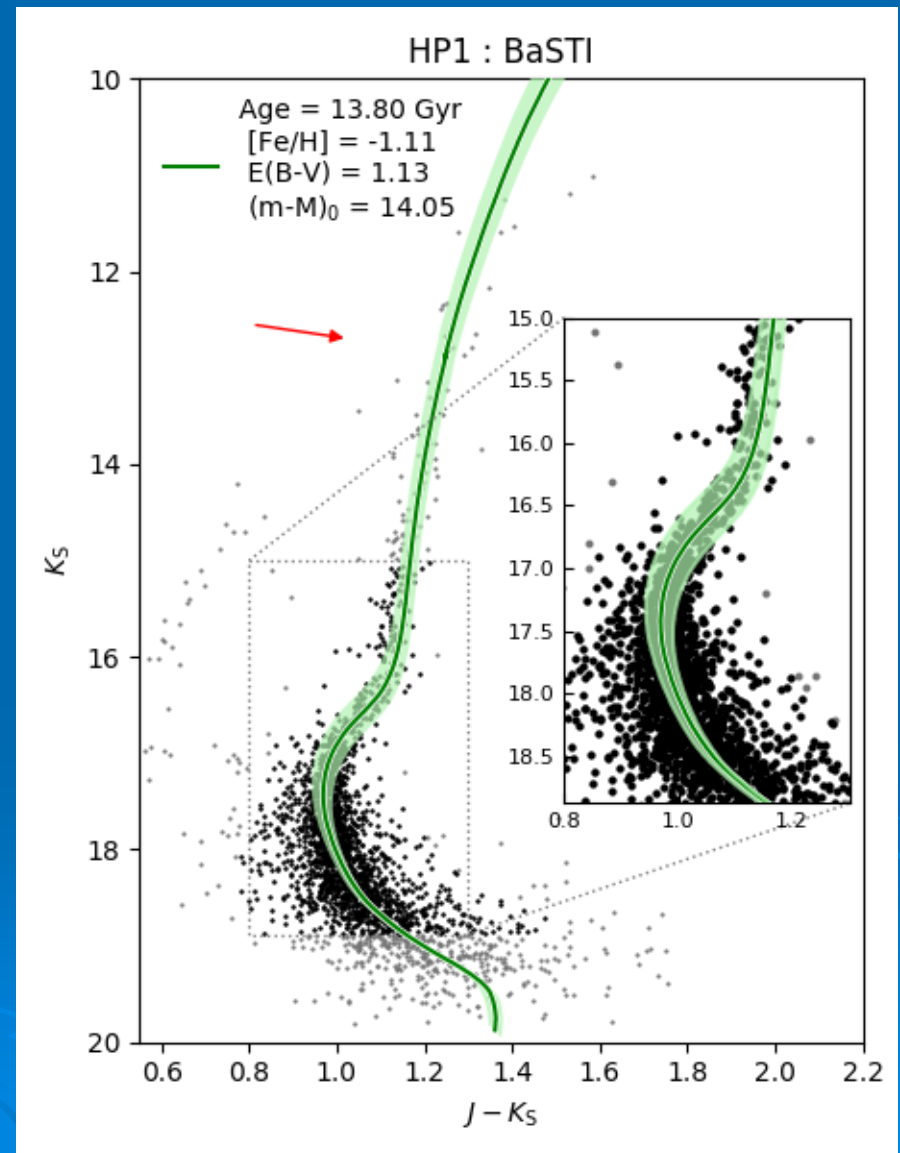
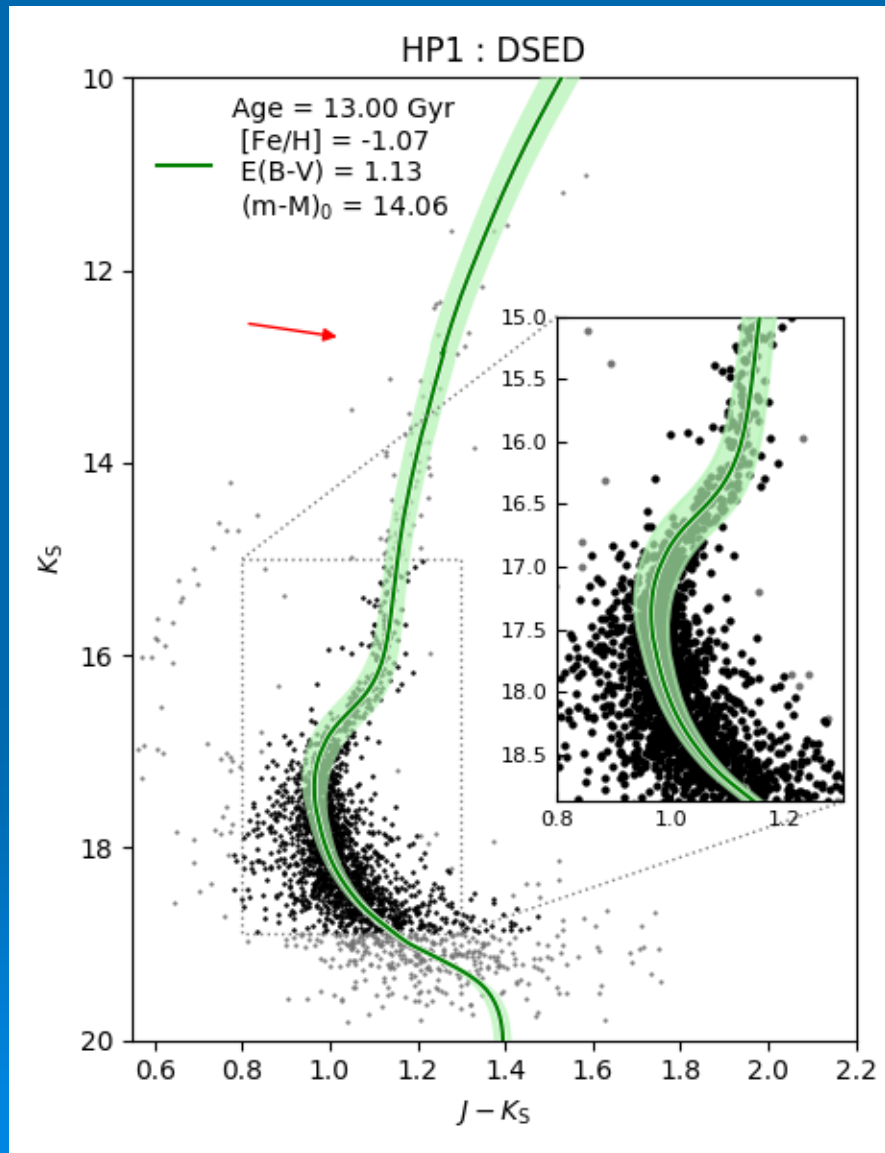
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squares:
newly
identified
GCs
or
candidates



AGES: HP1: 13 Gyr (Kerber+19)



REDSHIFT

AGE

| | |
|---------|----------|
| $z = 2$ | 10.6 Gyr |
| $z = 4$ | 12.4 Gyr |
| $z = 7$ | 13.2 Gyr |

Reionization:

| | |
|------------------|----------|
| $z=8.8$ (Planck) | 13.4 Gyr |
| $z = 10$ | 13.5 Gyr |

2 fronts of work:

- Spectroscopy → abundance pattern
- Colour-Magnitude Diagrams → distances, proper motions and orbits, ages

RECENT ORBITS, ABUNDANCES:

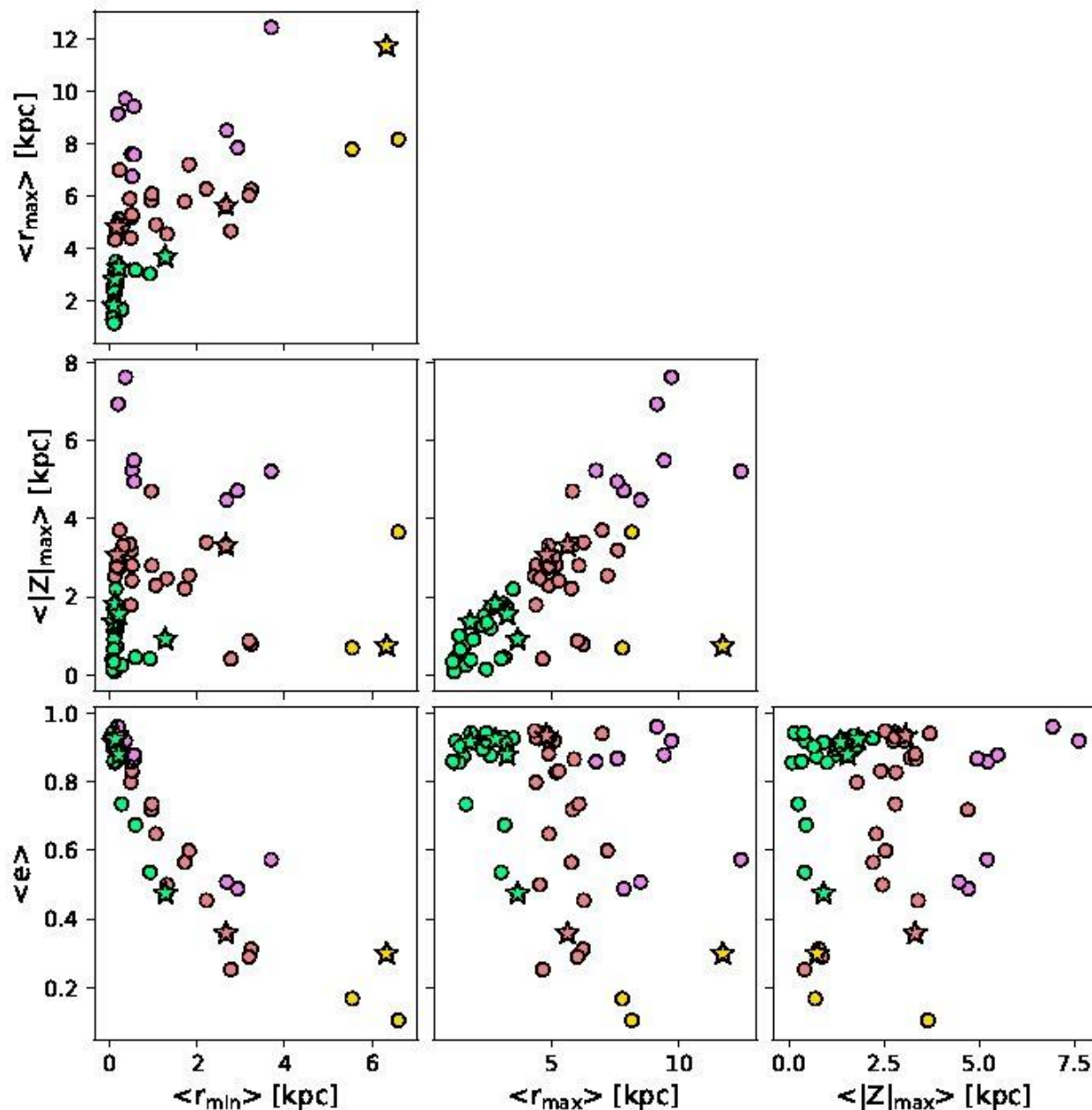
Terzan 10, Djorgovski 1

→ New radial velocities, and
proper motions → Halo intruders
(Ortolani+18, A&A)

Terzan 9: $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = -1.3$
(Ernandes+19)

Gaia DR2
pm
+ radial
Velocity
+ distance

→ classi-
fication
from
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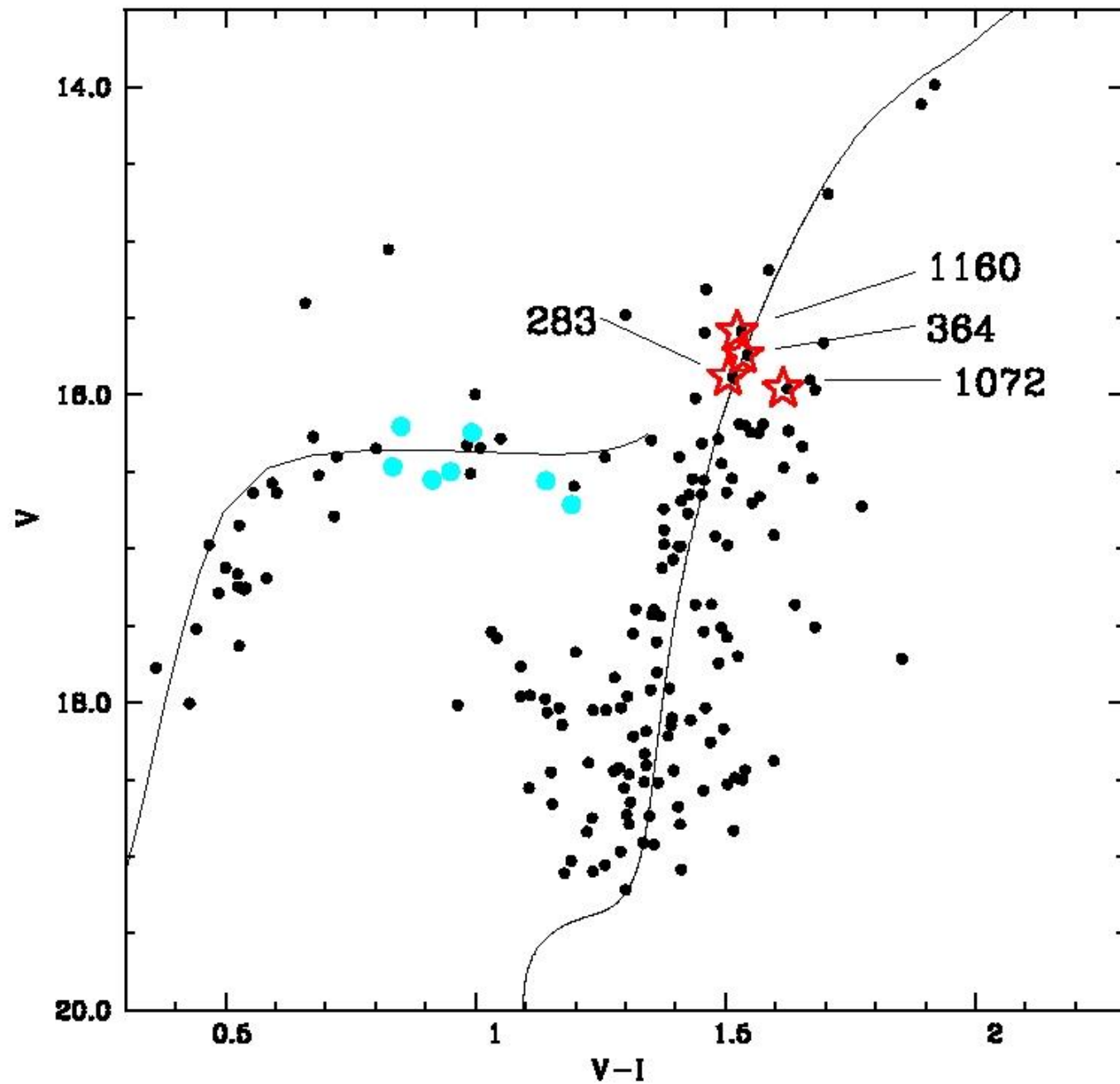
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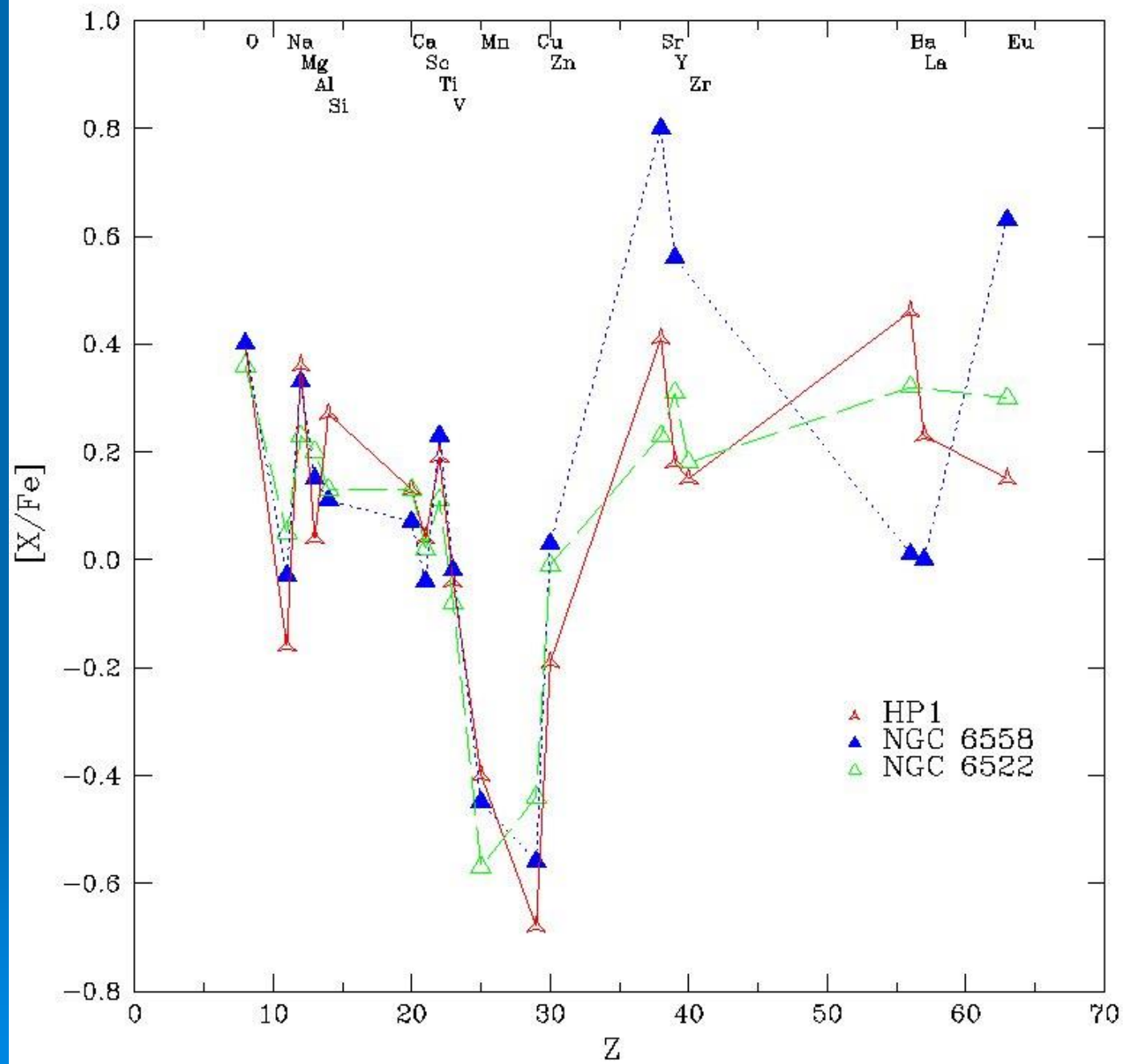
→ we have been looking for:

Bulge GCs characterized by:

- $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] \sim -1.0$
- BHB (and/or + RHB)
- Old age ($\sim 13\text{Gyr}$)

A typical abundance pattern?





Conclusions from GCs:

Bulge is old → GCs can be as old as 13 Gyr.
→ formed at redshifts $z \sim 3$ to 8. Formed
in an early bulge in situ, or accreted?

Old globular clusters:

trapped in the bar (Pérez-Villegas et al.)

→ is there a possibility to have formed the
GCs in the bar? → pseudo-bulge →
only if bar formed very early → not possible

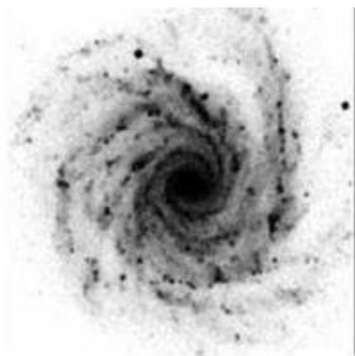
Conclusions ARA&A: Facts

1. Most stellar mass in the bulge is in the bar.
2. Rotation is cylindrical
3. MDF $-1.3 < [\text{Fe}/\text{H}] < +0.5$
4. Predominantly old – fraction of young $< 3.5\%$ \rightarrow controversies
5. $[\alpha/\text{Fe}], [\text{Al}/\text{Fe}], [\text{Eu}/\text{Fe}] = +0.4$ dex
 \rightarrow enrichment by SN II
6. Small differences in abundance ratios with thick disk – significant or not?

MW:
Sb ?

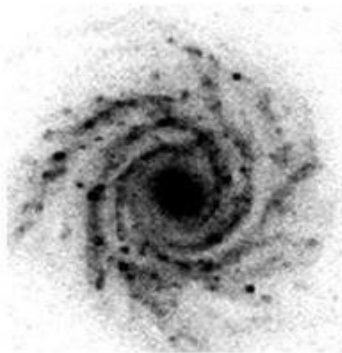
Bland-Hawthorn+Gerhard ARA&A 2017

Sc(rs)



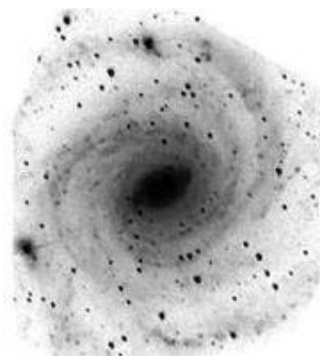
NGC 1232

Sb(r)



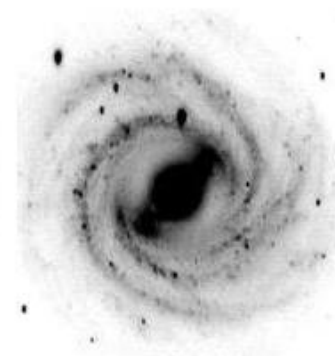
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Sb(r)



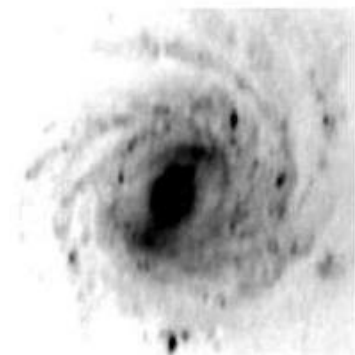
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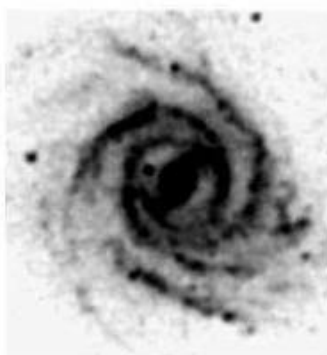
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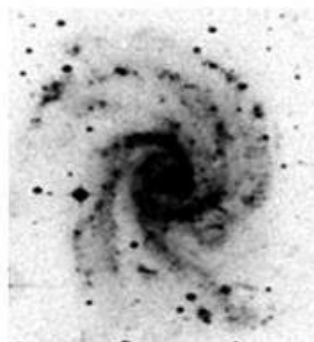
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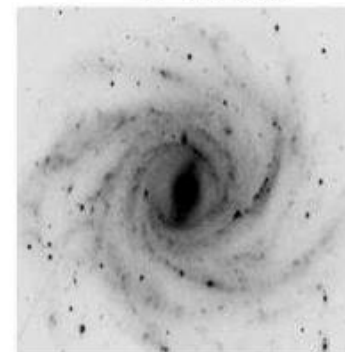
NGC 3124

SBc(rs)



NGC 2835

SBbc(r)



NGC 2336

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