

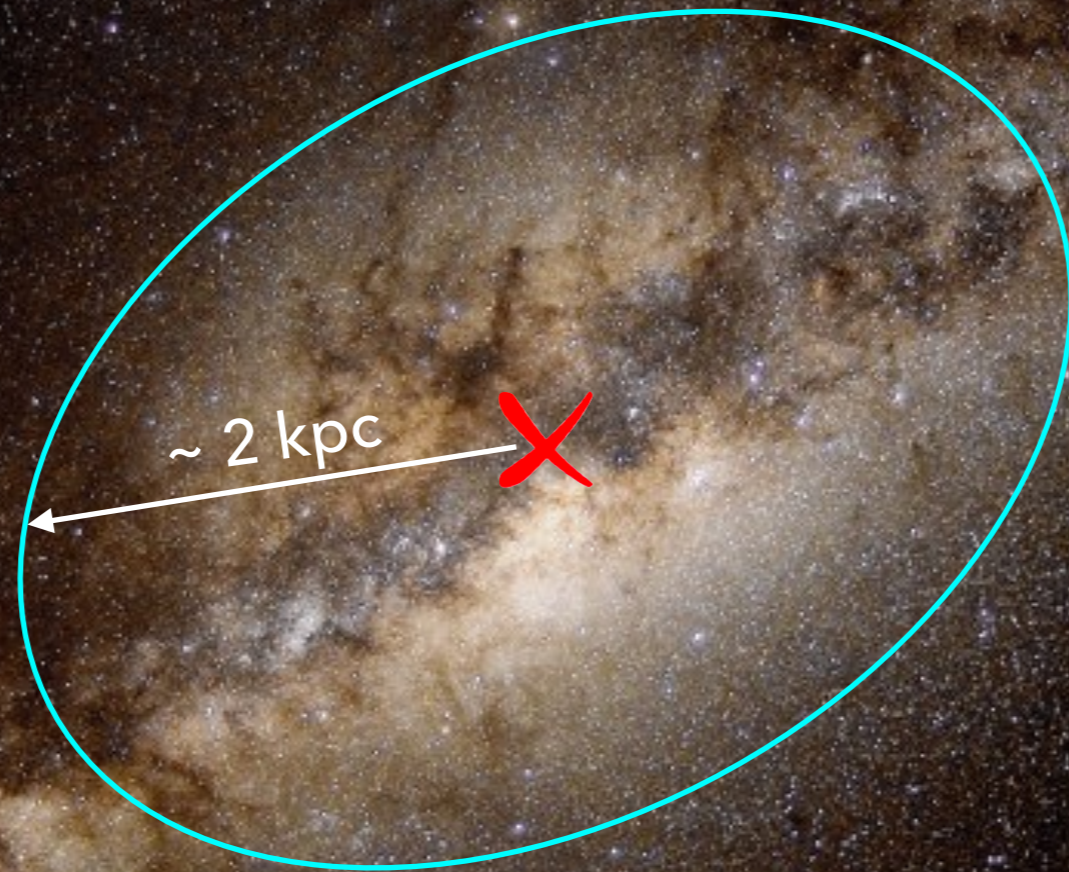
The formation of the Inner Milky Way

I. Observations

Manuela Zoccali

- P. Universidad Católica, Santiago
- Millennium Institute of Astrophysics

the Inner Milky Way (hereafter "bulge")



The G. bulge is massive ($\sim 1/3$ the disk)



Bulge Stellar Mass

$$M_B = 2 \times 10^{10} M_\odot \quad \text{Valenti \& MZ (2016)}$$

$$M_B = 1.5 \times 10^{10} M_\odot \quad \text{Portail+2015}$$

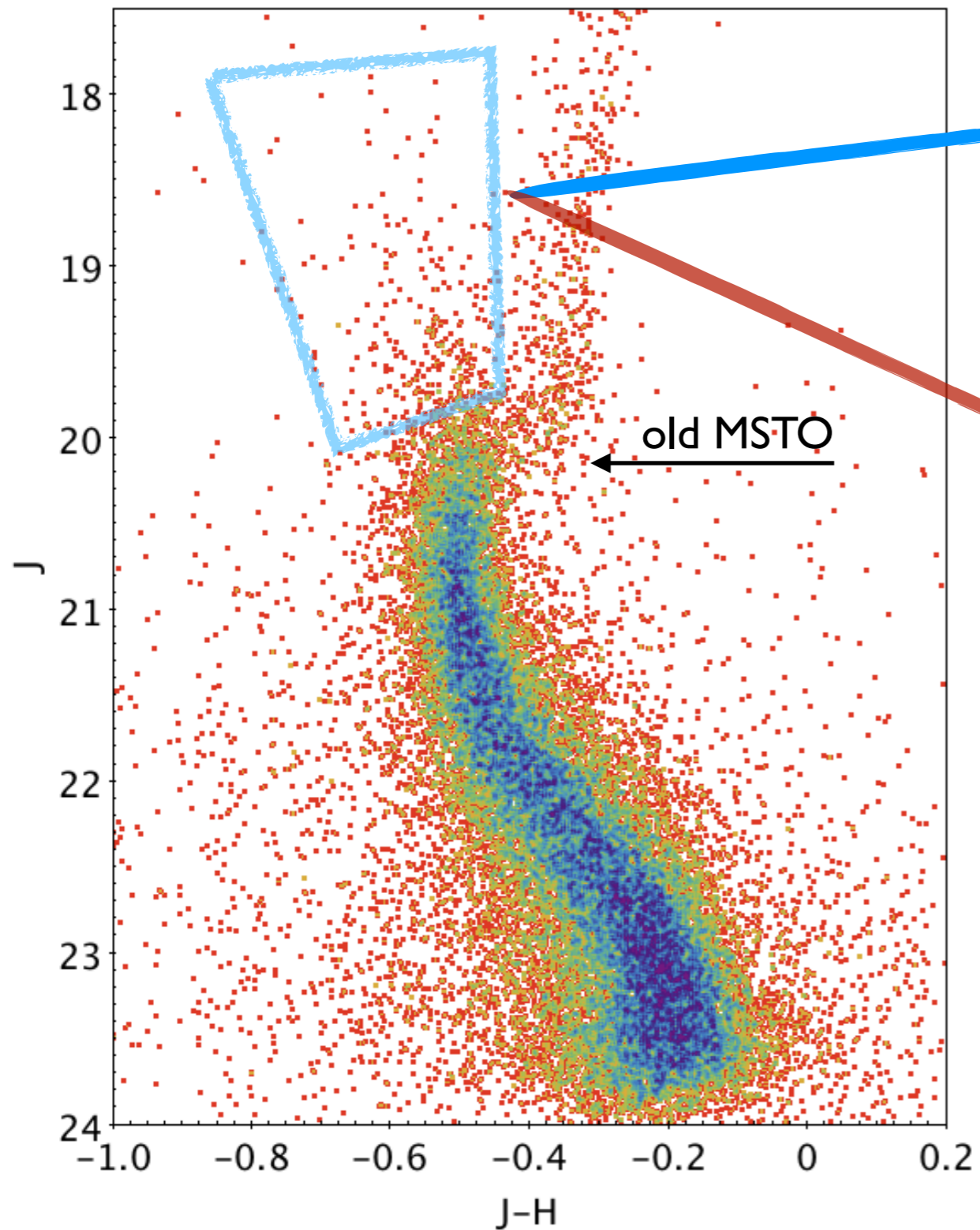
$$M_B = 2.4 \times 10^{10} M_\odot \quad \text{Simion+2017}$$

$$M_B = 1.8 \times 10^{10} M_\odot \quad \text{Cao+2013}$$

[...]

The G. bulge is *mainly* old (~ 10 Gyr)

adapted from [Renzini+2018](#) HST-WFC3 data



Disk foreground and/or BSS:

e.g.: [Clarkson+2008](#)
[Renzini+2018](#)
[Surot+2019](#)

Young/Interm age stars

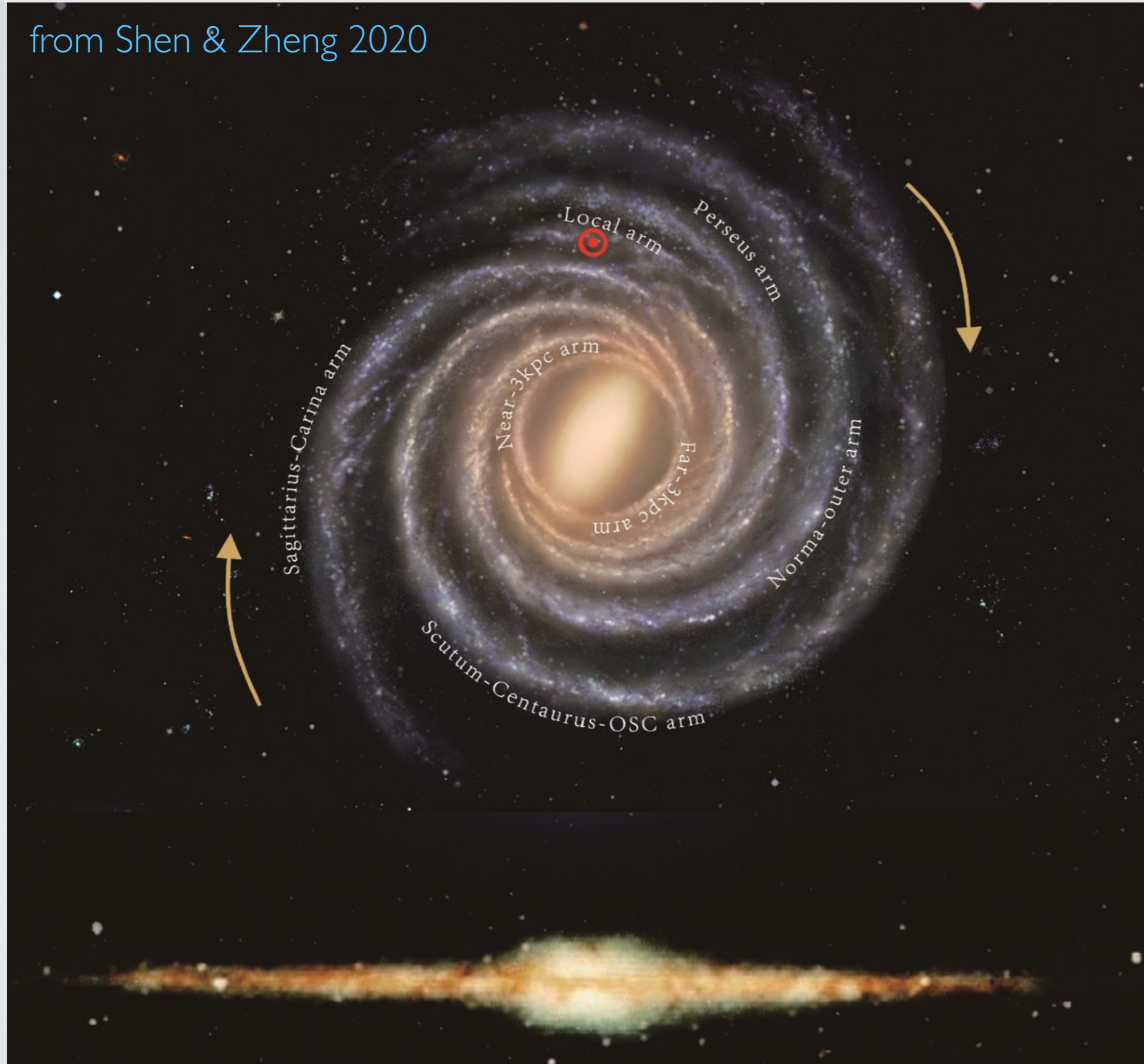
e.g.: [Bensby+2017](#)
[Bernard+2018](#)
[Schultheis+2017](#)
[Haywood+2016](#)

[Bergh & Herbst \(1974\)](#), [Terndrup \(1988\)](#), [Ortolani+1995](#)
[Feltzing & Gilmore \(2000\)](#), [Kuijken & Rich \(2002\)](#), [MZ+2003](#),
[Valenti+2013](#)

[Barbuy+2018](#) for a review

The inner Milky Way hosts a bar

from Shen & Zheng 2020



known since
de Vaucouleurs (1964)

see also
Blitz & Spergel (1991)
Stanek + 1994
Rattenbury+2007

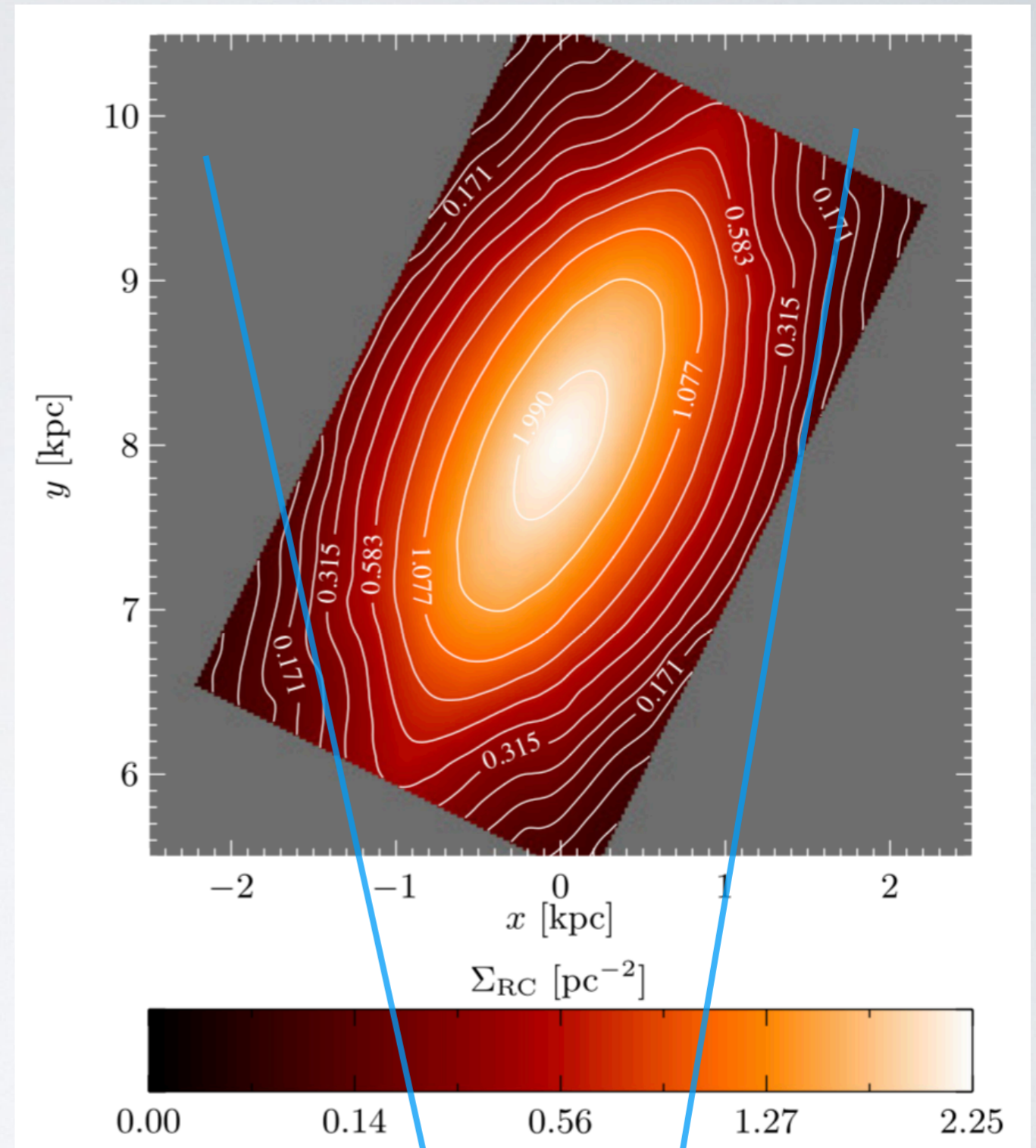
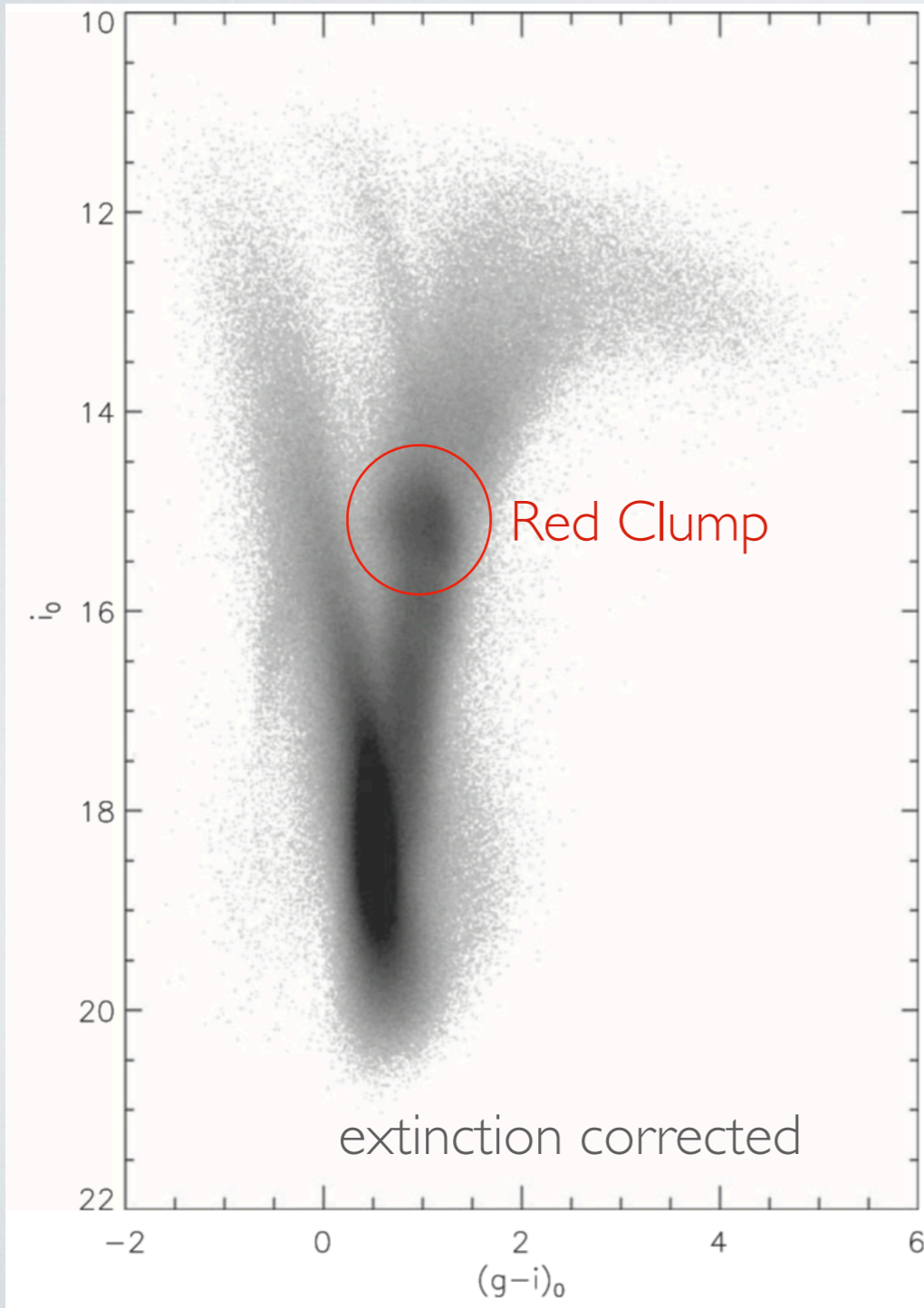
...

The main Galactic bar

Wegg & Gerhard (2013)

VVV data

Saha+2019



The main Galactic bar

axis ratio $\approx (1 : 0.45 : 0.30)$

semi-major axis ≈ 0.7 kpc

angle $\phi = 20^\circ - 30^\circ$

see also:

Cao+2013

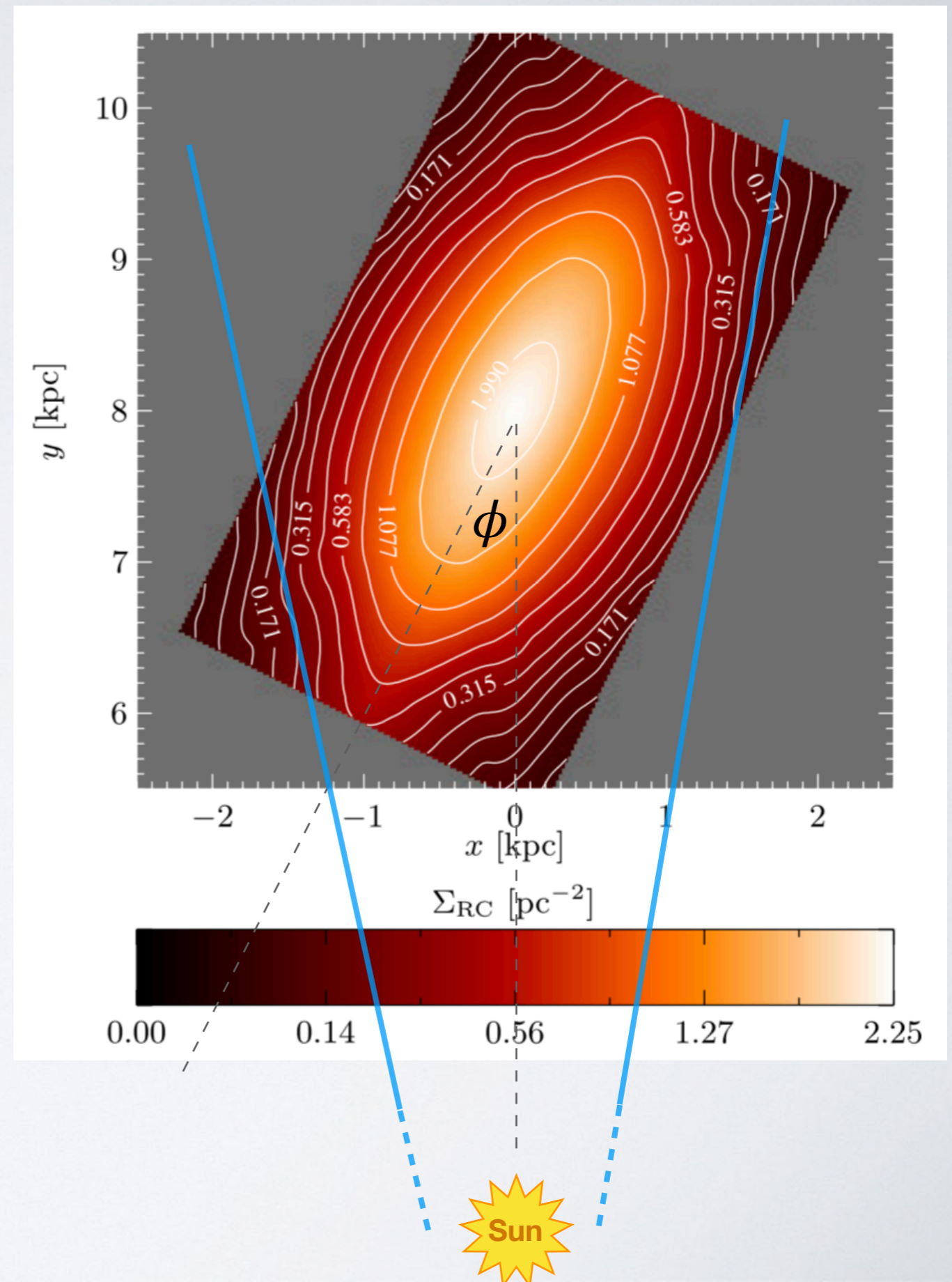
Simion+2017

Paterson+2020

MZ & Valenti (2016) for a review

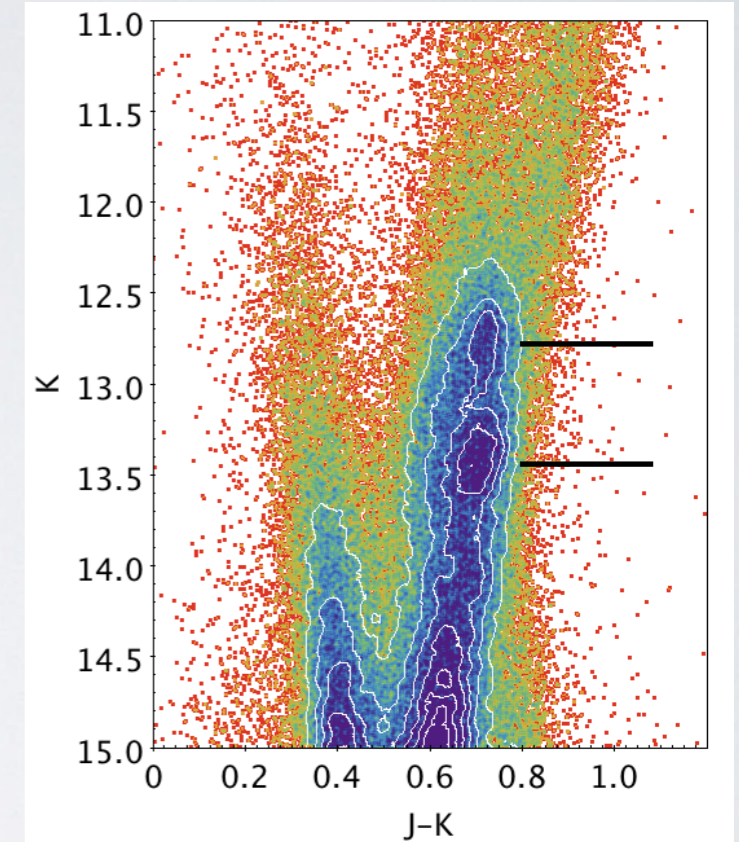
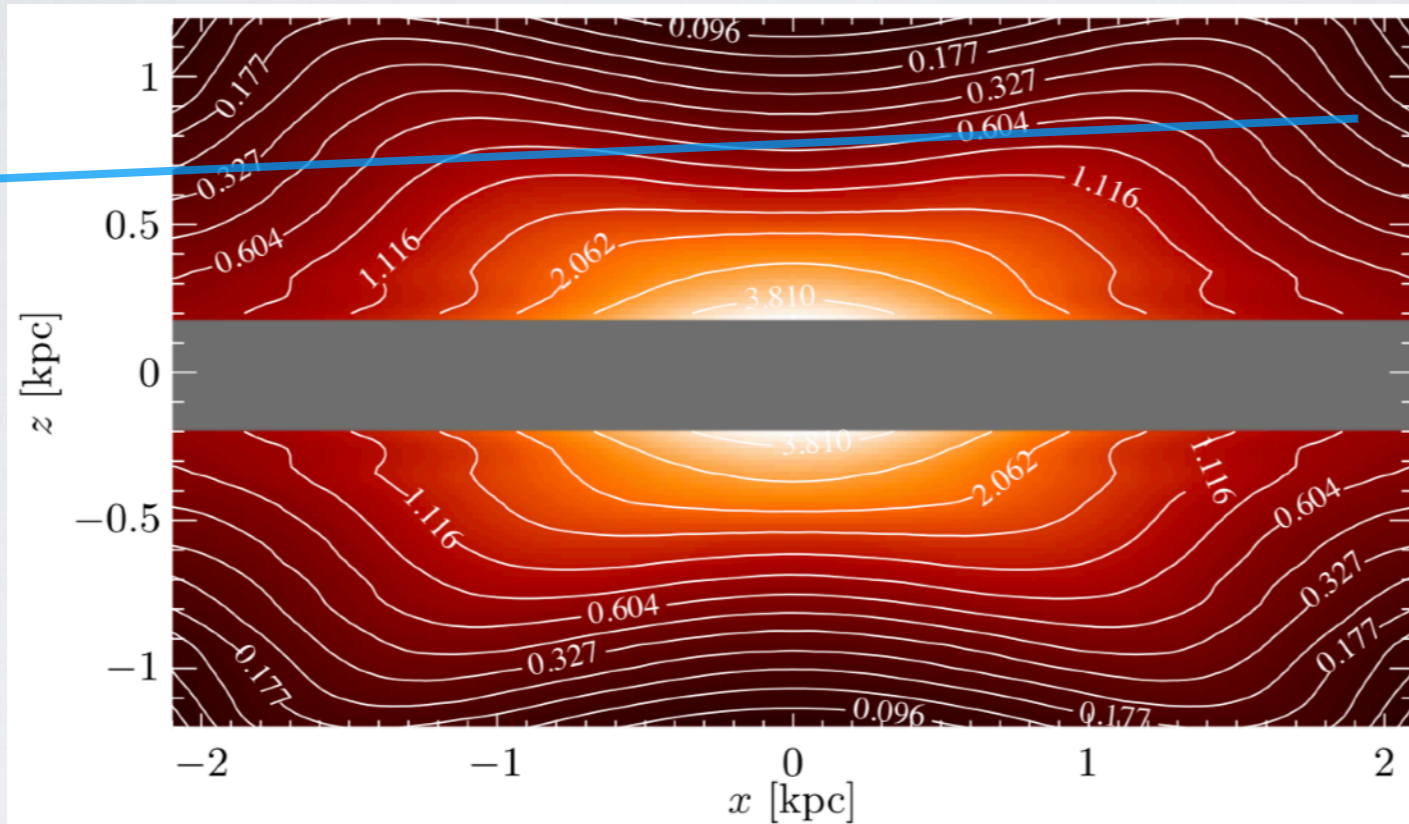
Wegg & Gerhard (2013)

VVV data



The B/P structure (X-shape)

Wegg & Gerhard (2013) VVV data

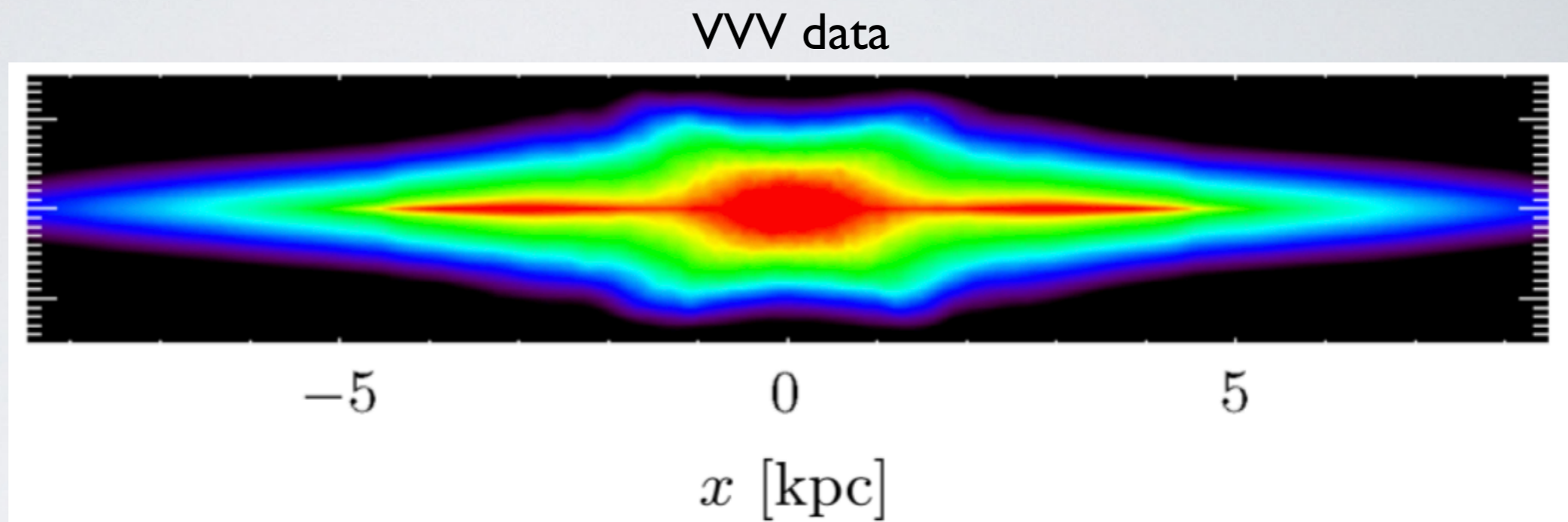


See also:

McWilliam & MZ (2010); Nataf+2010; Saito, MZ+2011; Cao+2013; Gonzalez, MZ+2015, Ness & Lang (2016); Simion+2017; Paterson+2020

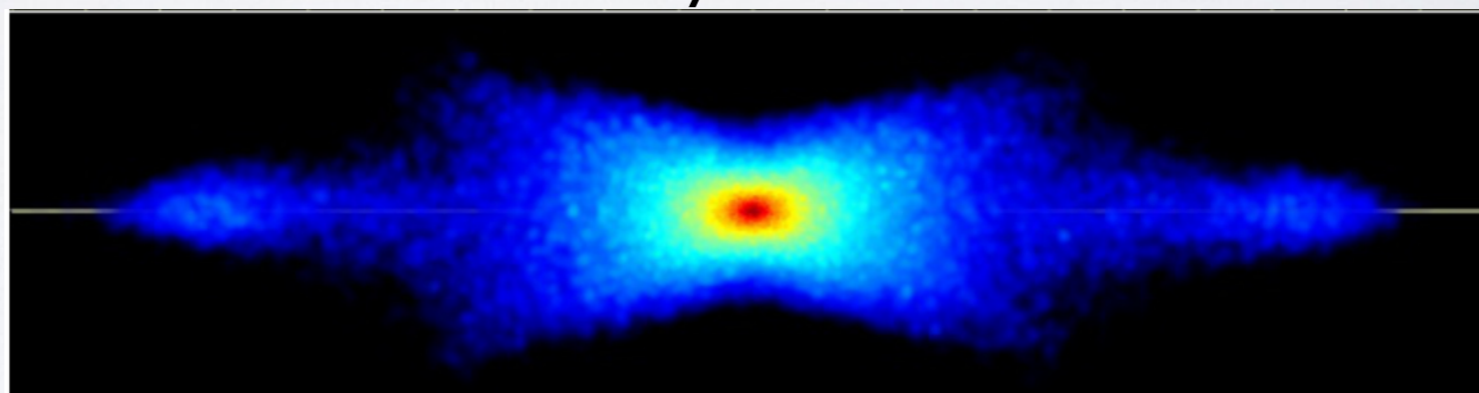
The Thin Long Bar

Wegg+2015



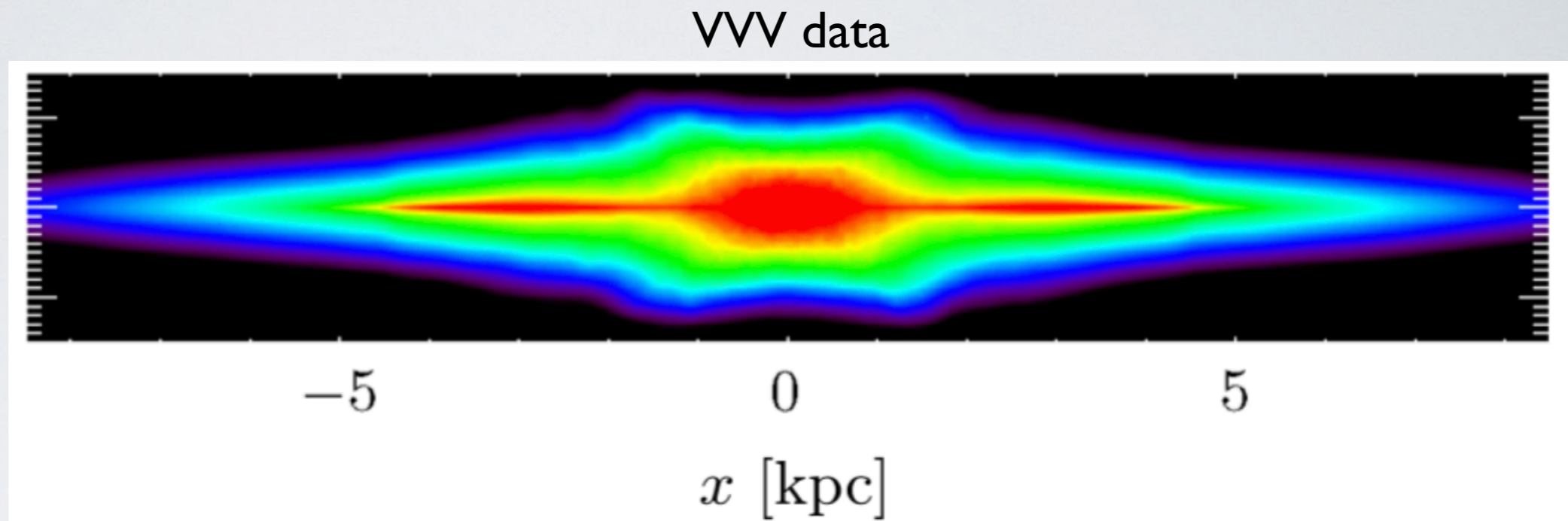
Patsis+2002
Athanasoula (2005)

N-body simulations



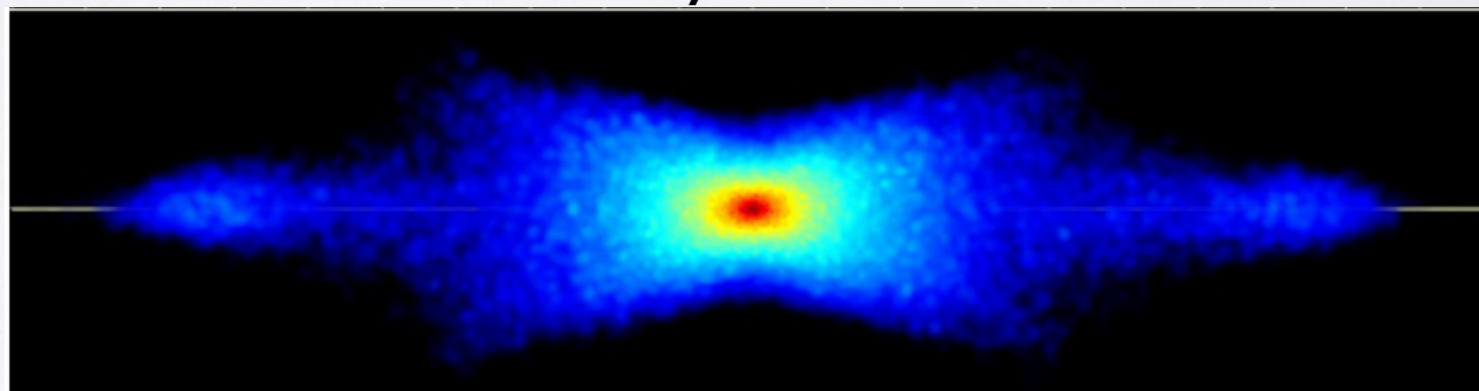
The Thin Long Bar

Wegg+2015

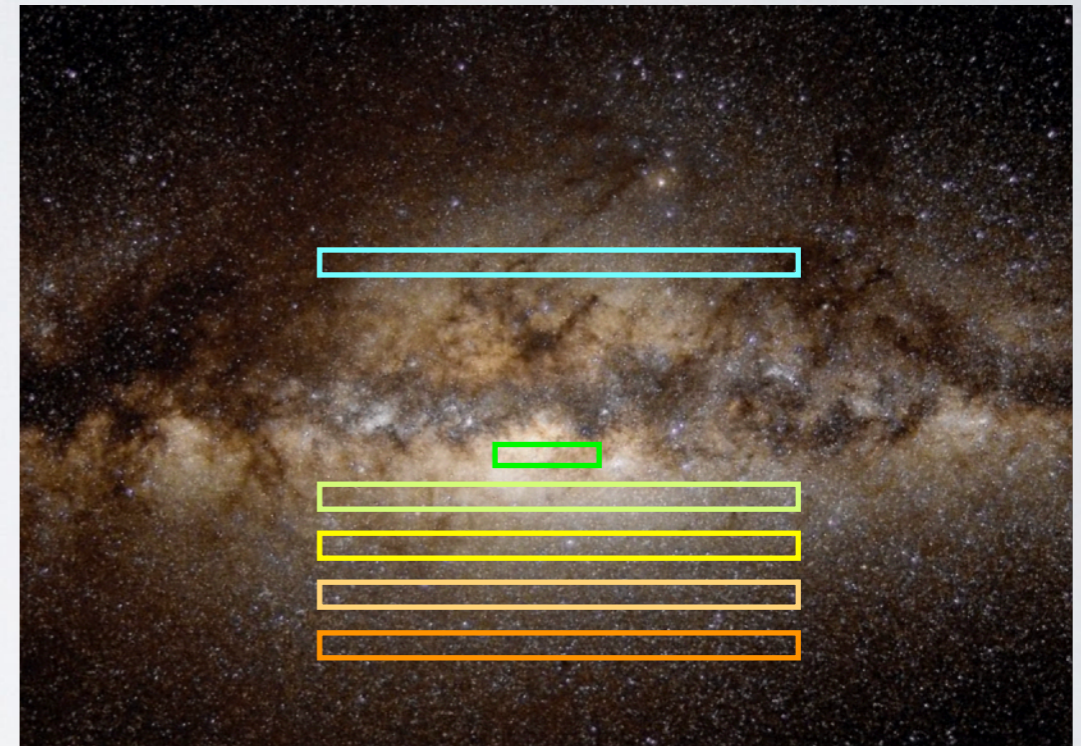
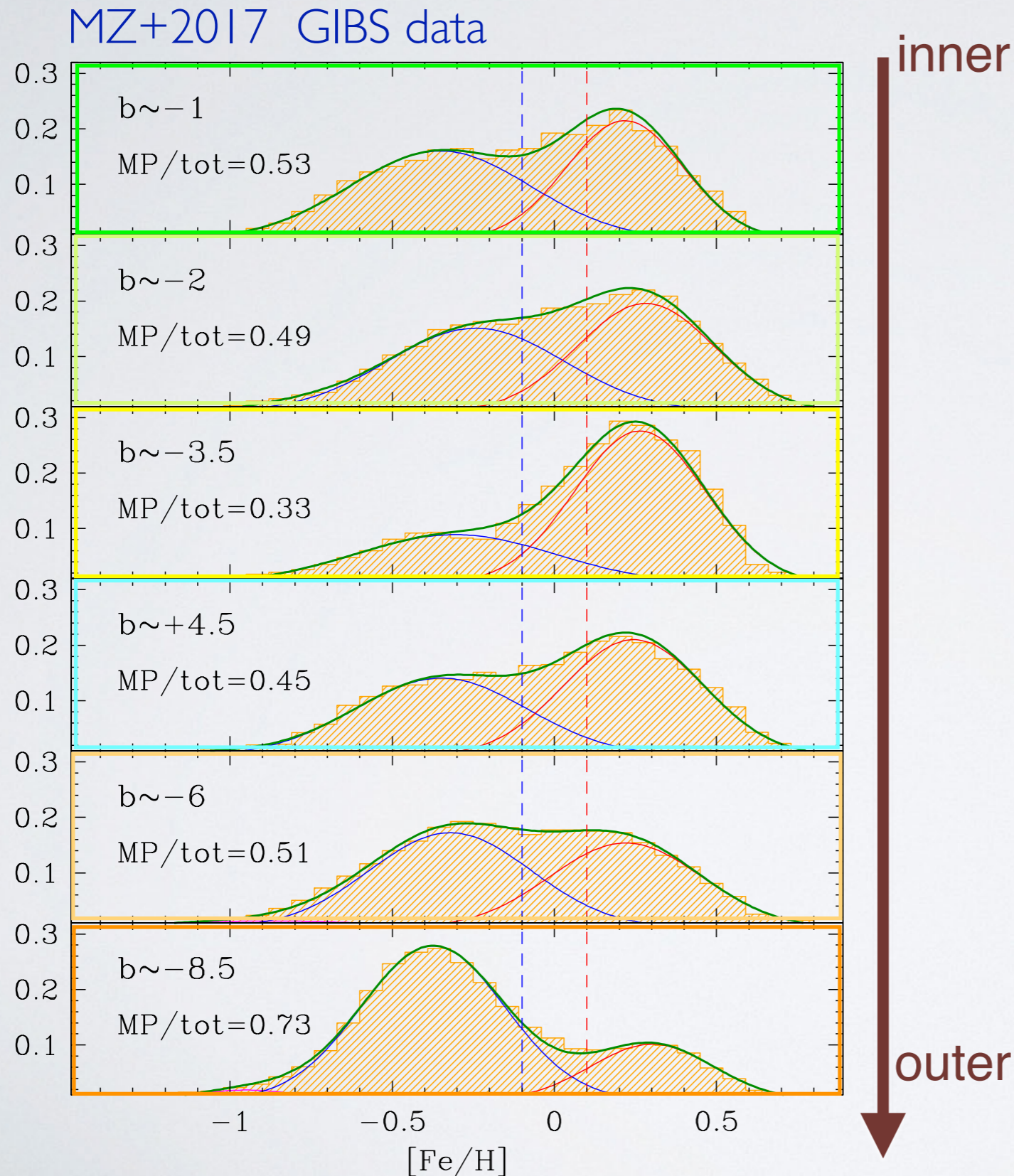


Patsis+2002
Athanasoula (2005)

N-body simulations



There are (at least) two components



see also:

Hill+2011

Ness+2013 ARGOS

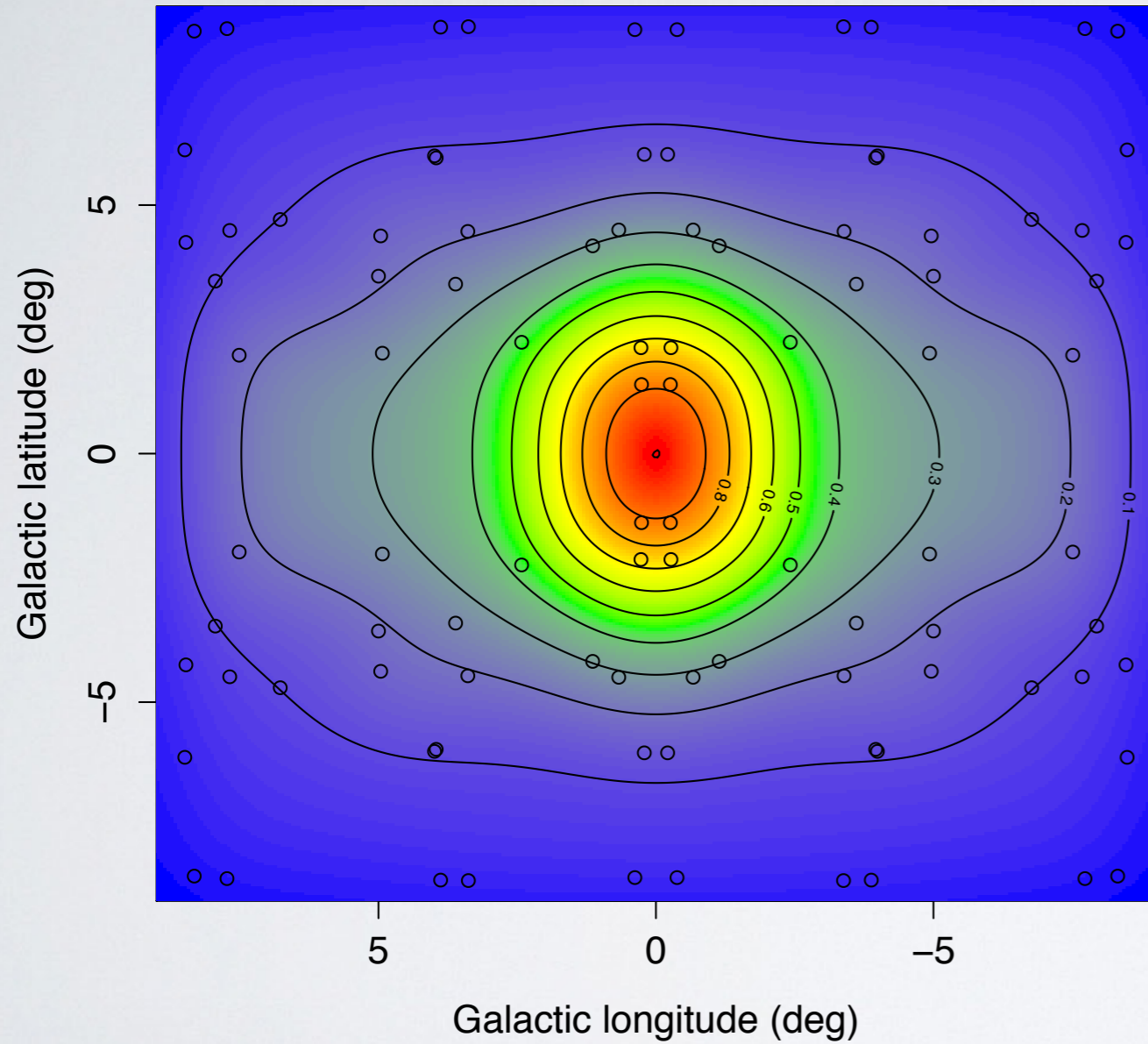
Rojas-Arriagada + 2017 GaiaESO

Rojas-Arriagada + 2020 APOGEE

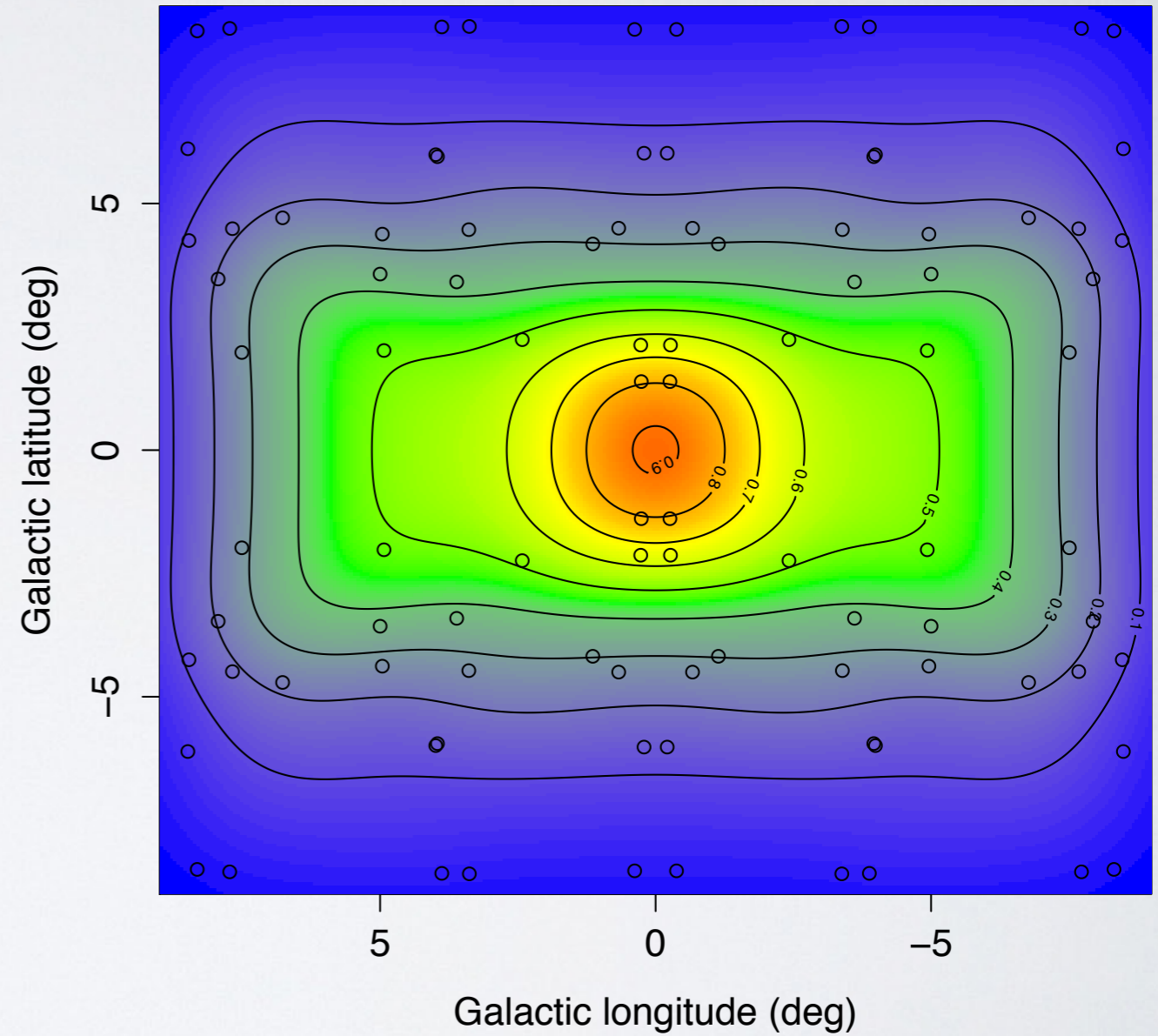
The two components have different spatial distribution

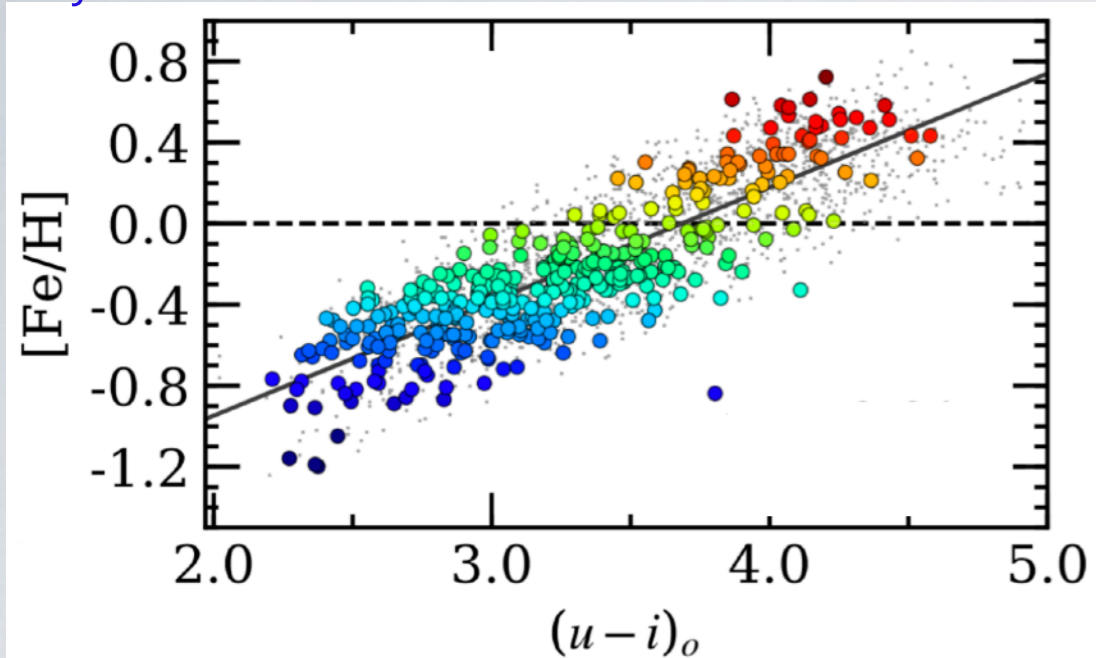
MZ + 2017, 2018

Metal poor stars (48%)



Metal rich stars (52%)

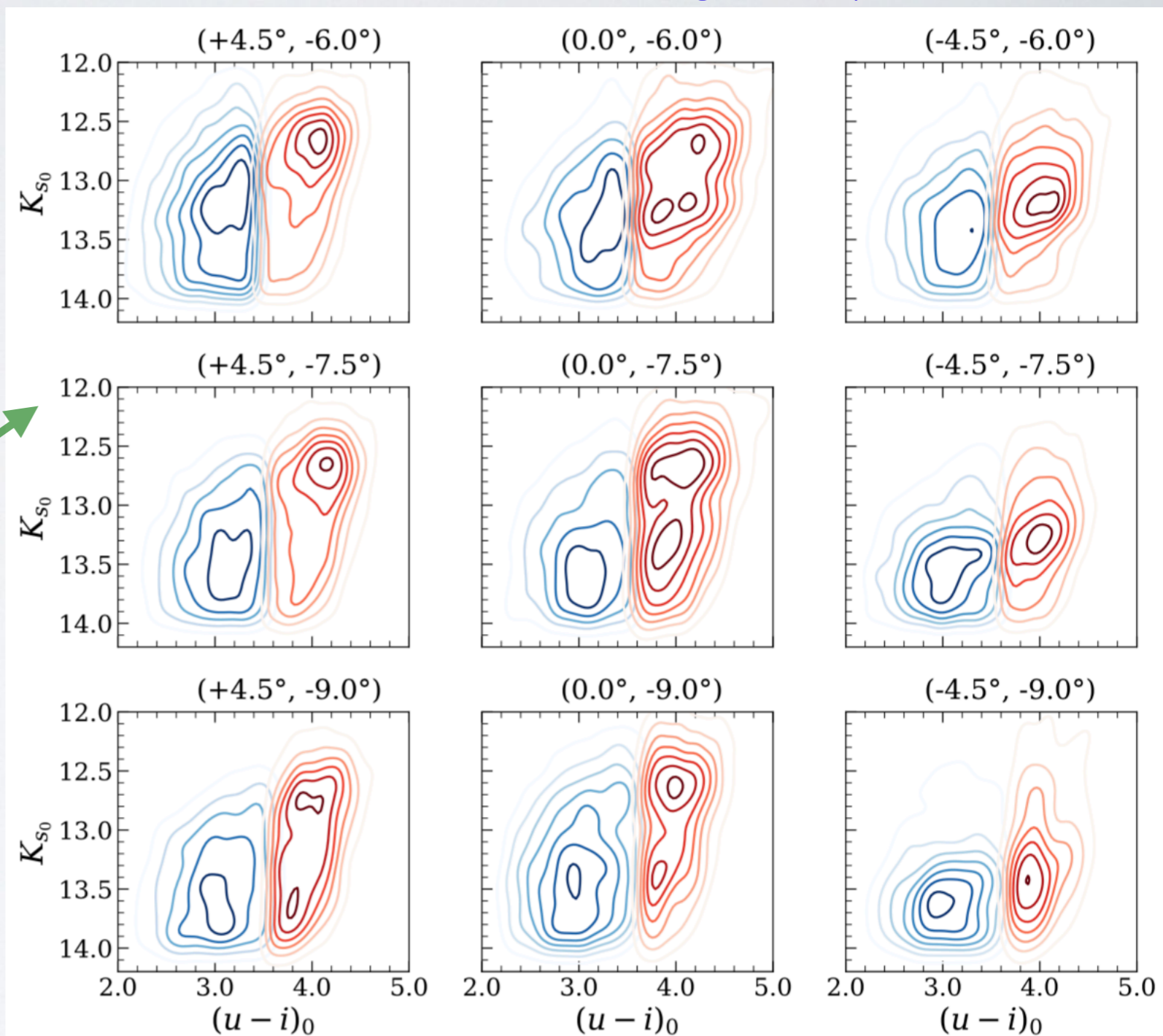
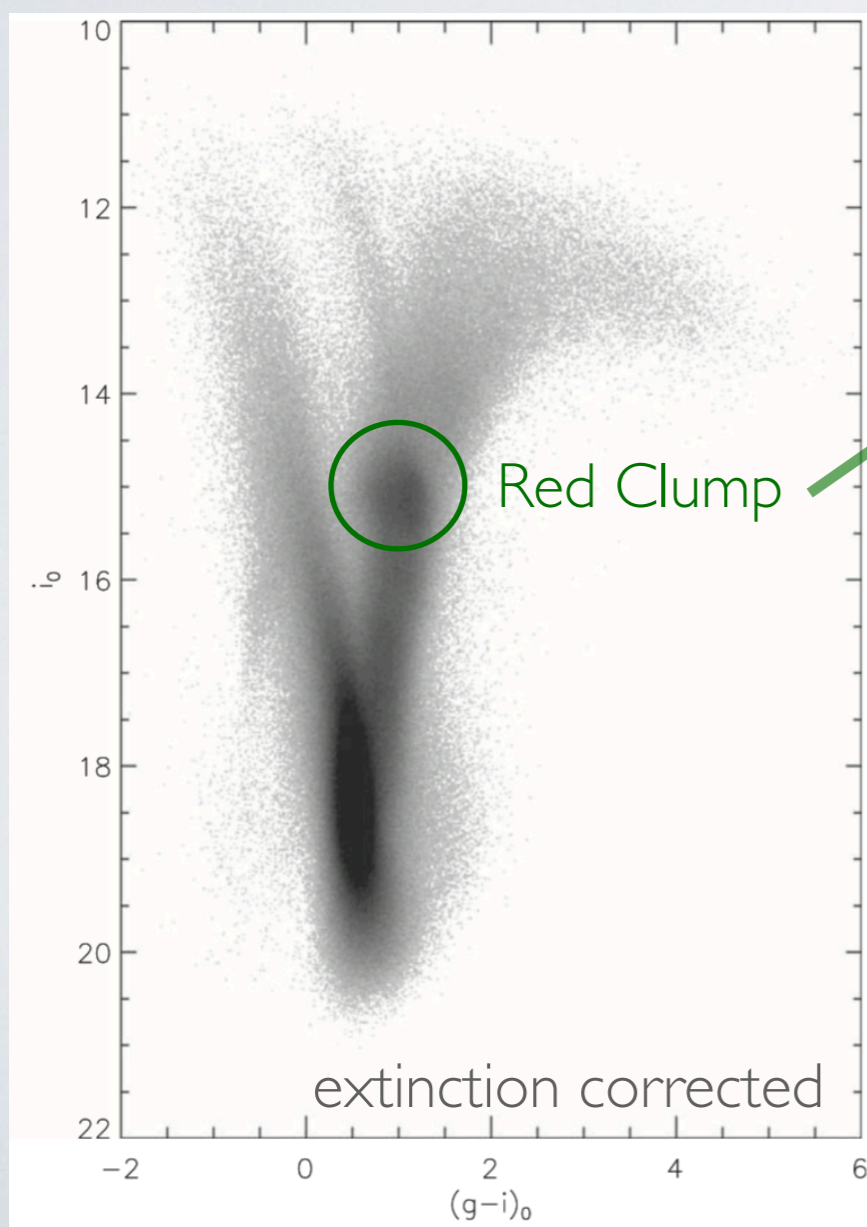


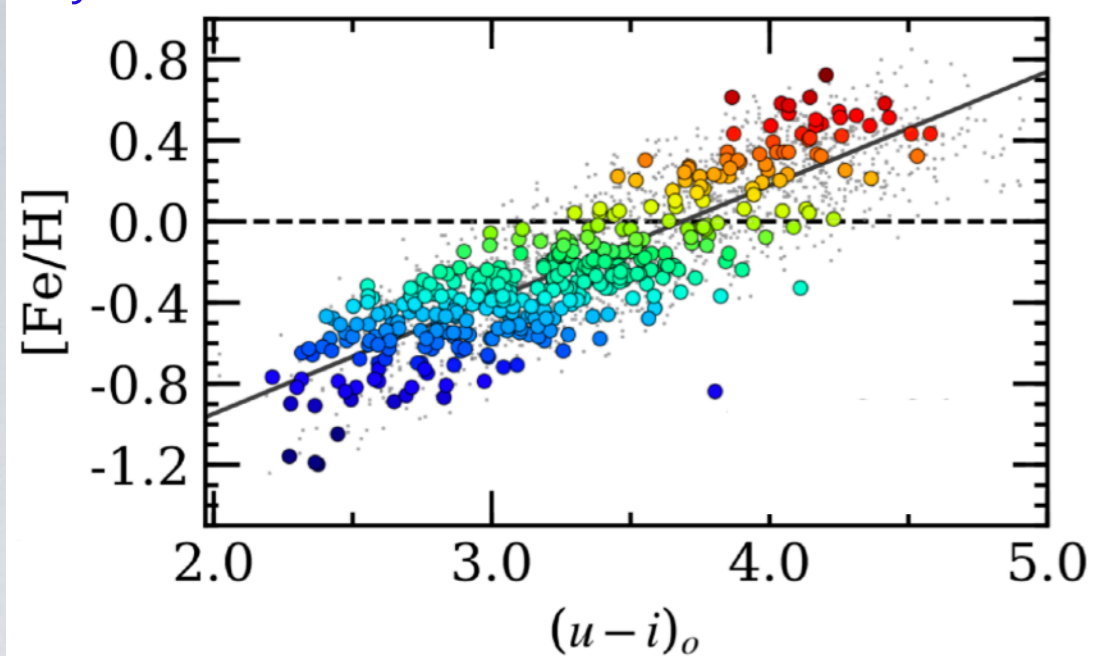


MP stars are **not** in a bar
(nor a B/P)

Blanco DECam Bulge Survey

Lim+2020

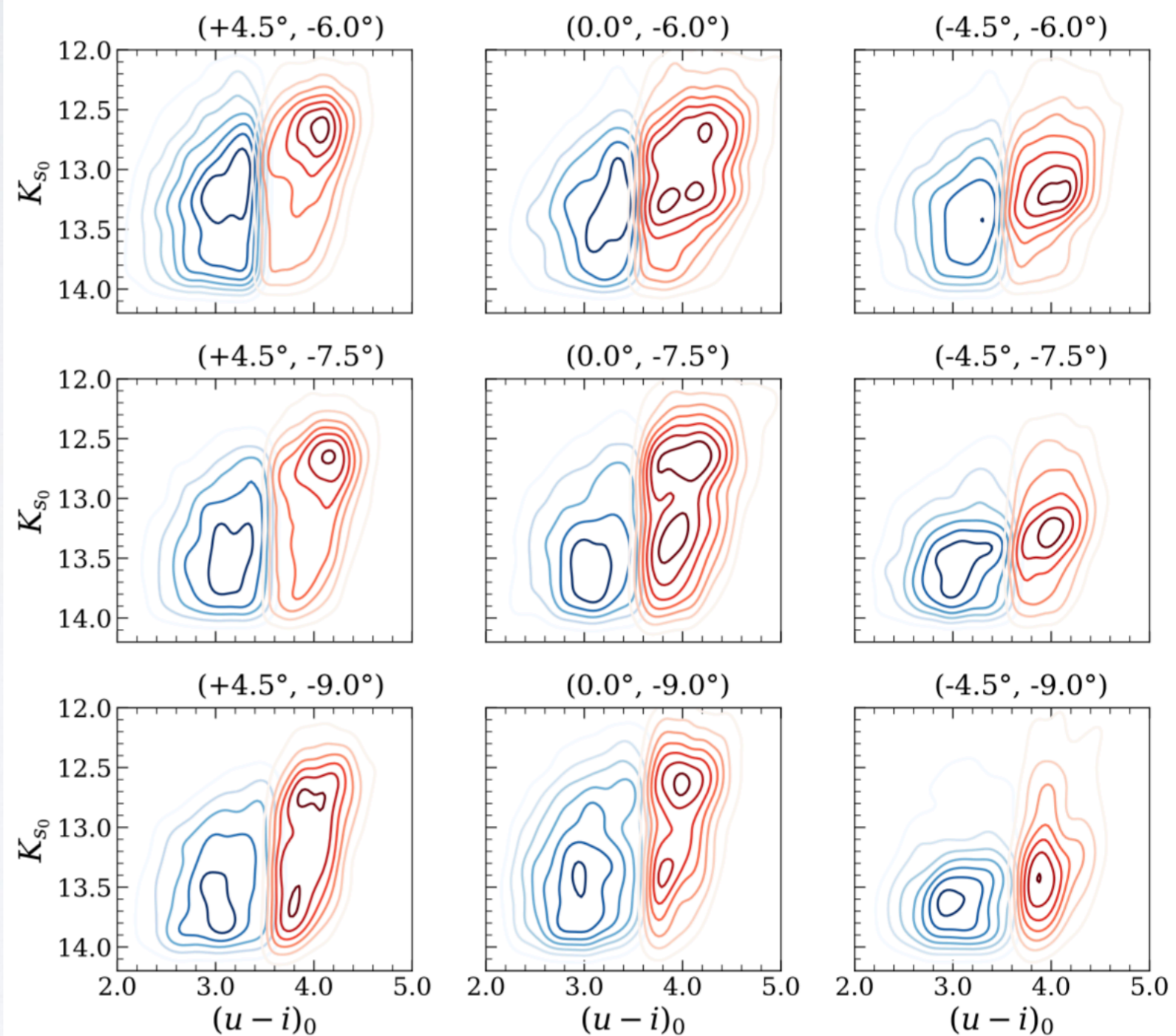
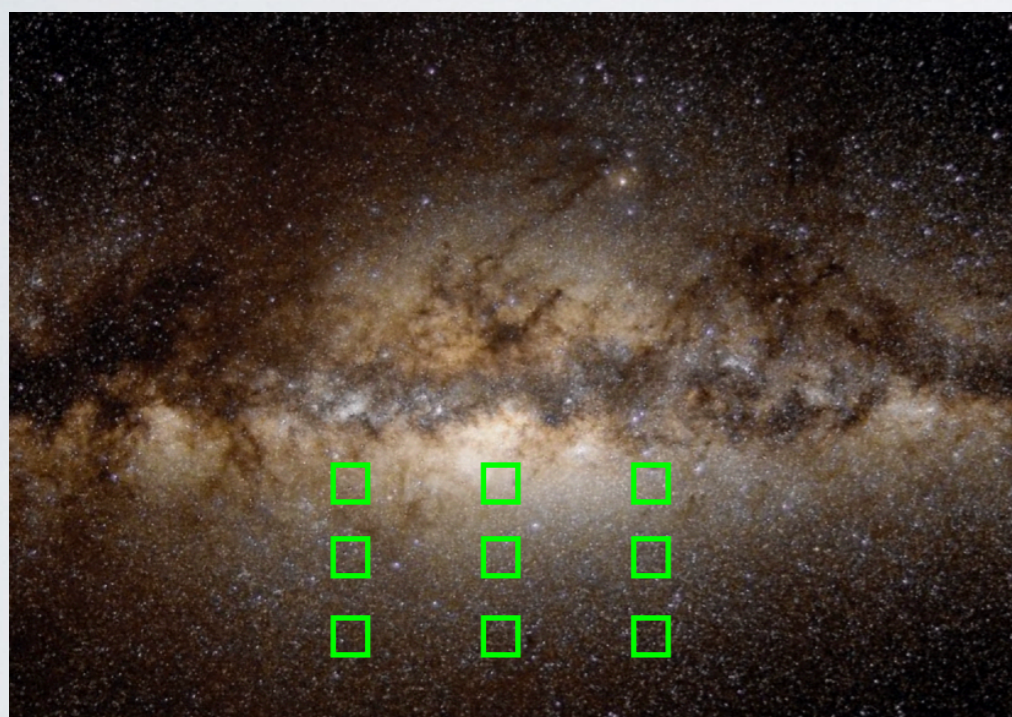


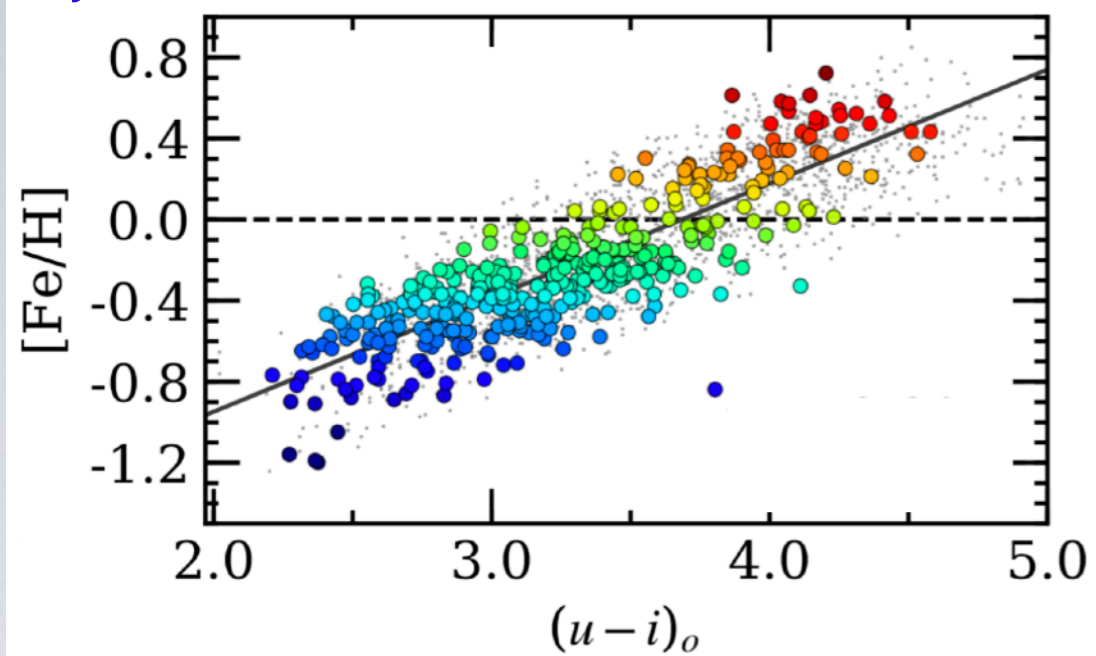


MP stars are **not** in a bar (nor a B/P)

Blanco DECam Bulge Survey

Lim+2020

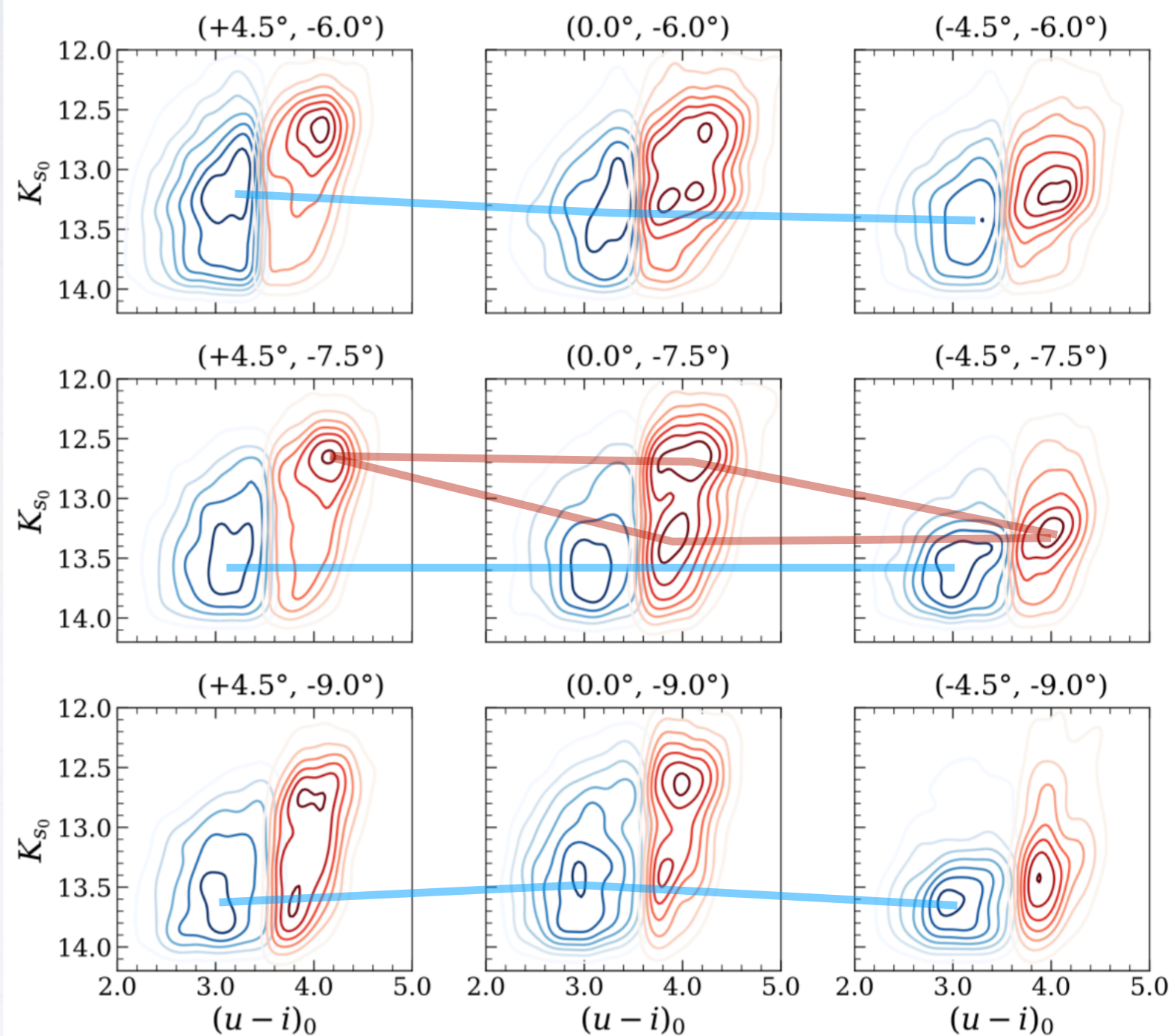
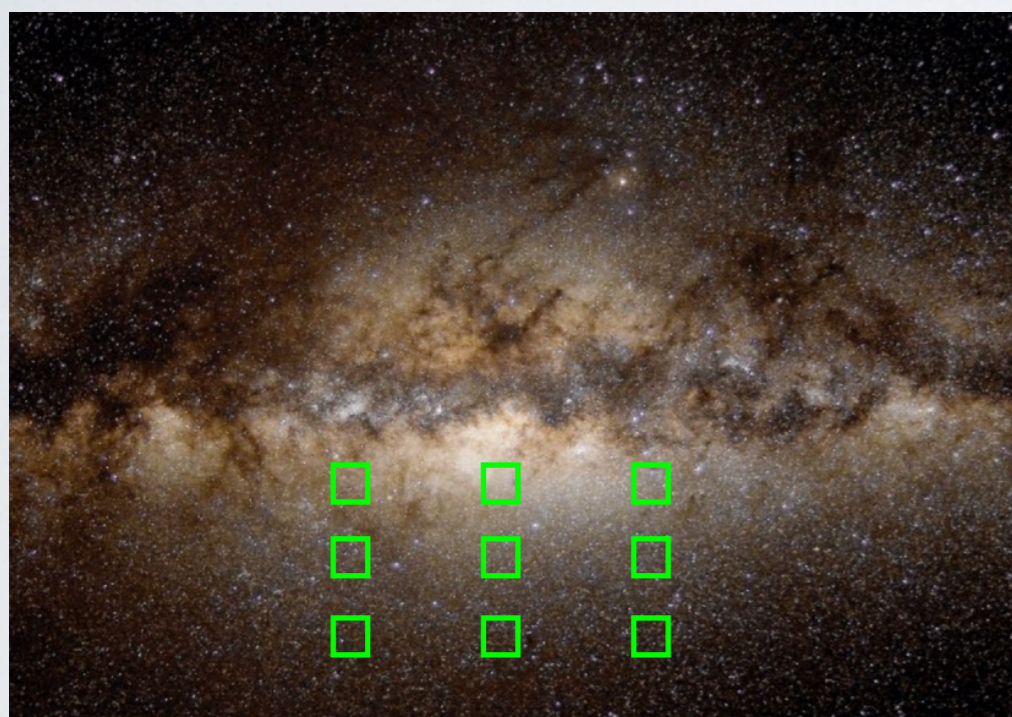




MP stars are **not** in a bar (nor a B/P)

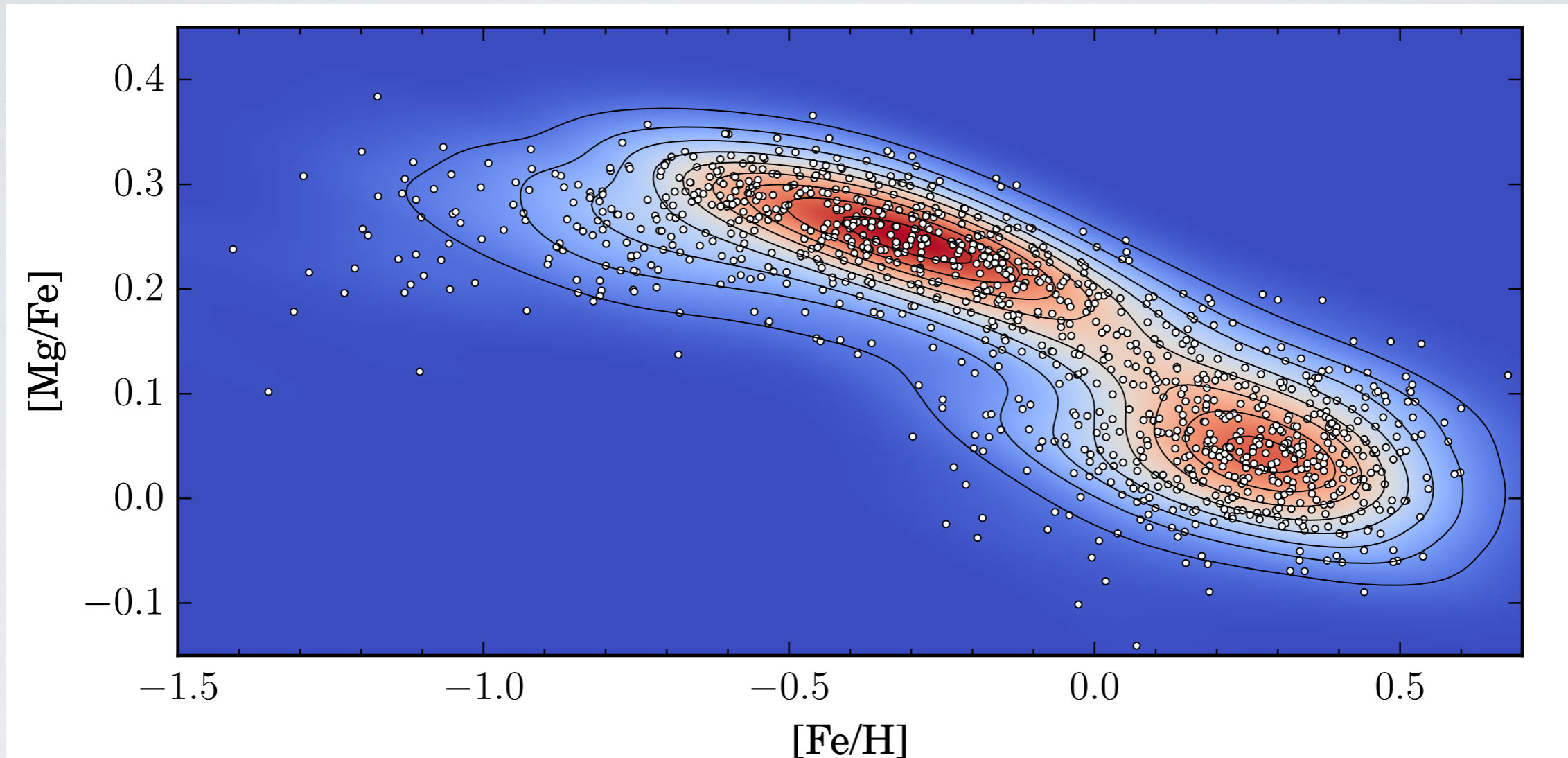
Blanco DECam Bulge Survey

Lim+2020



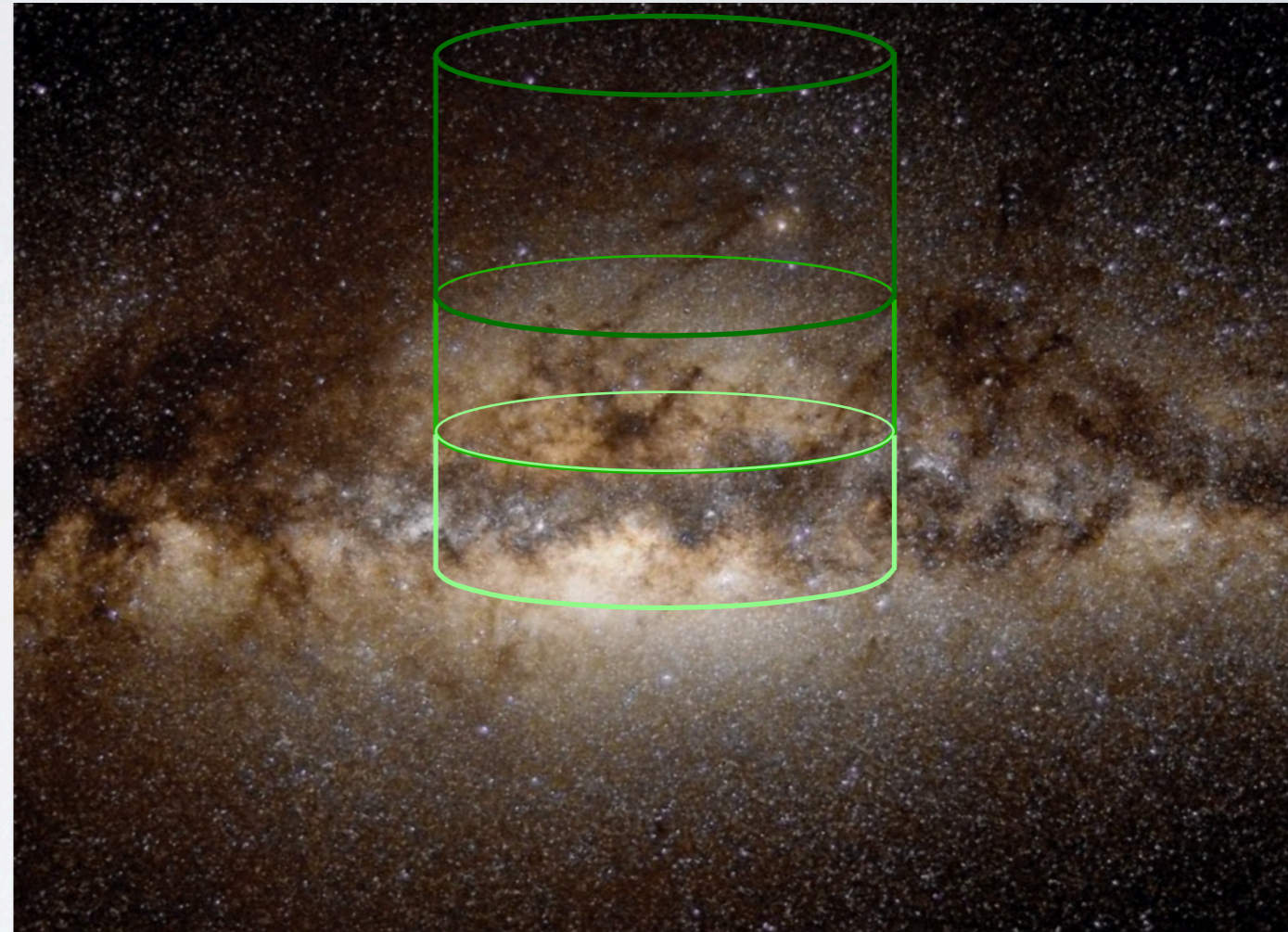
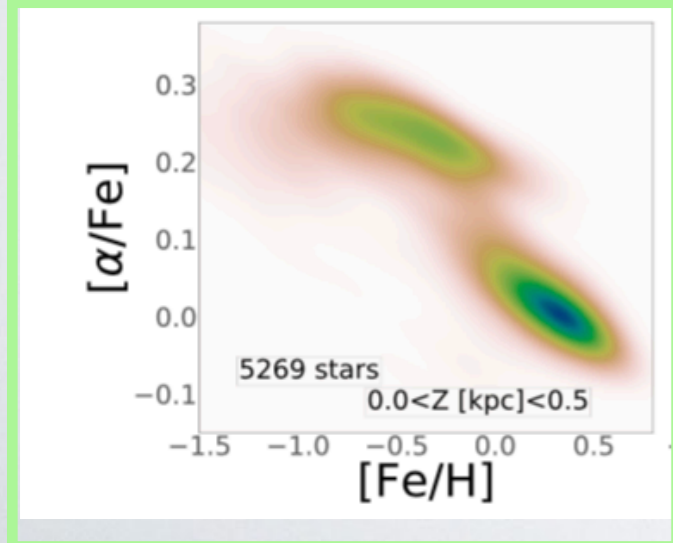
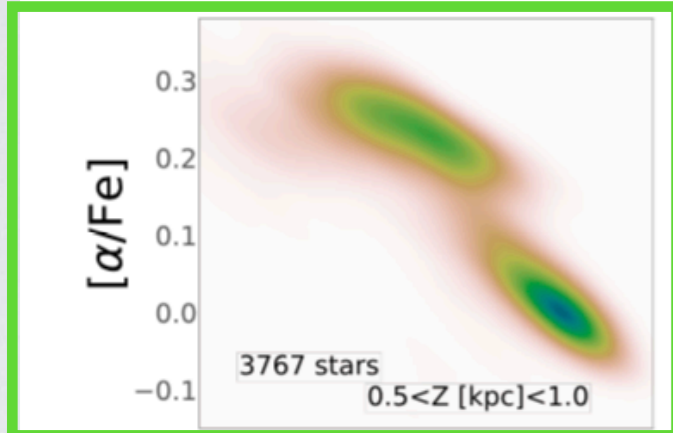
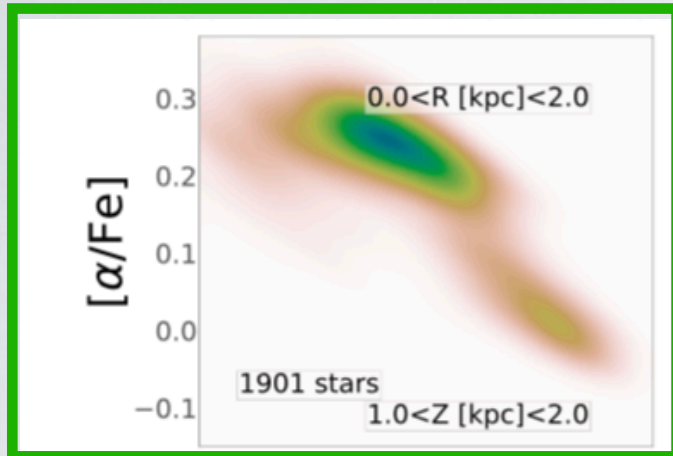
Two components also in $[\text{Mg}/\text{Fe}]$ vs $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$

Rojas-Arriagada, MZ + 2019 APOGEE



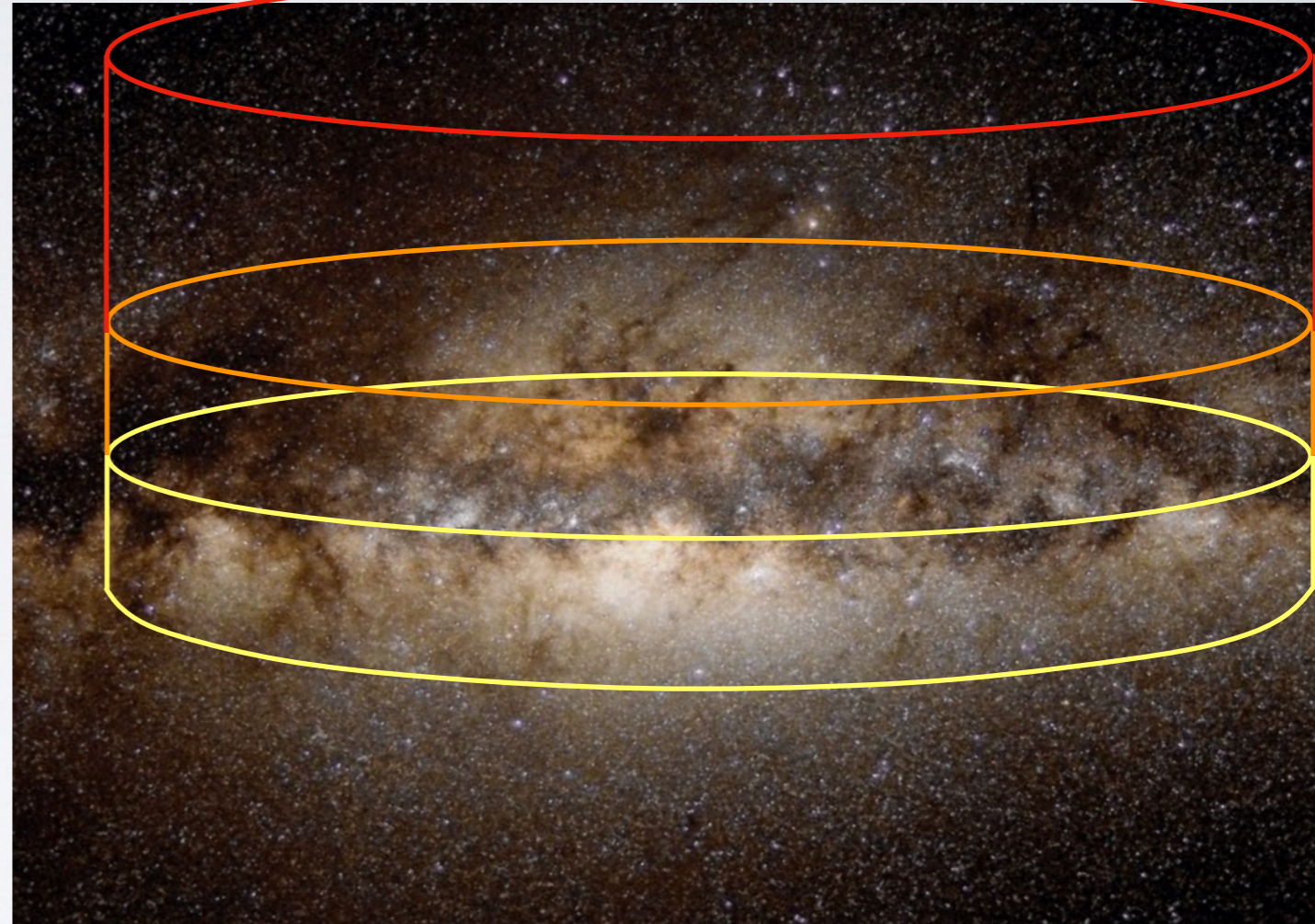
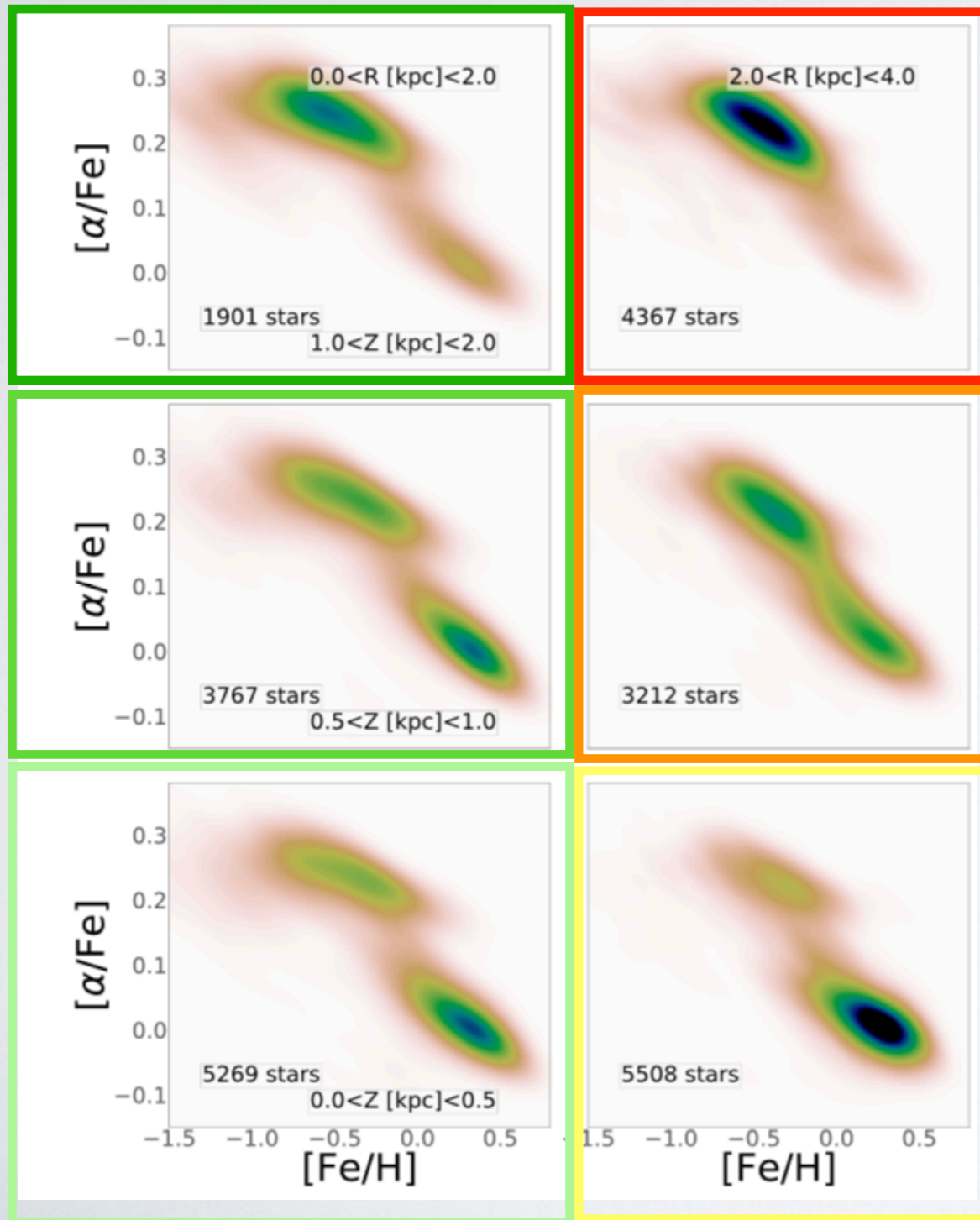
The two components have different spatial distribution

Queiroz+2020 APOGEE+GaiaDR2 StarHorse



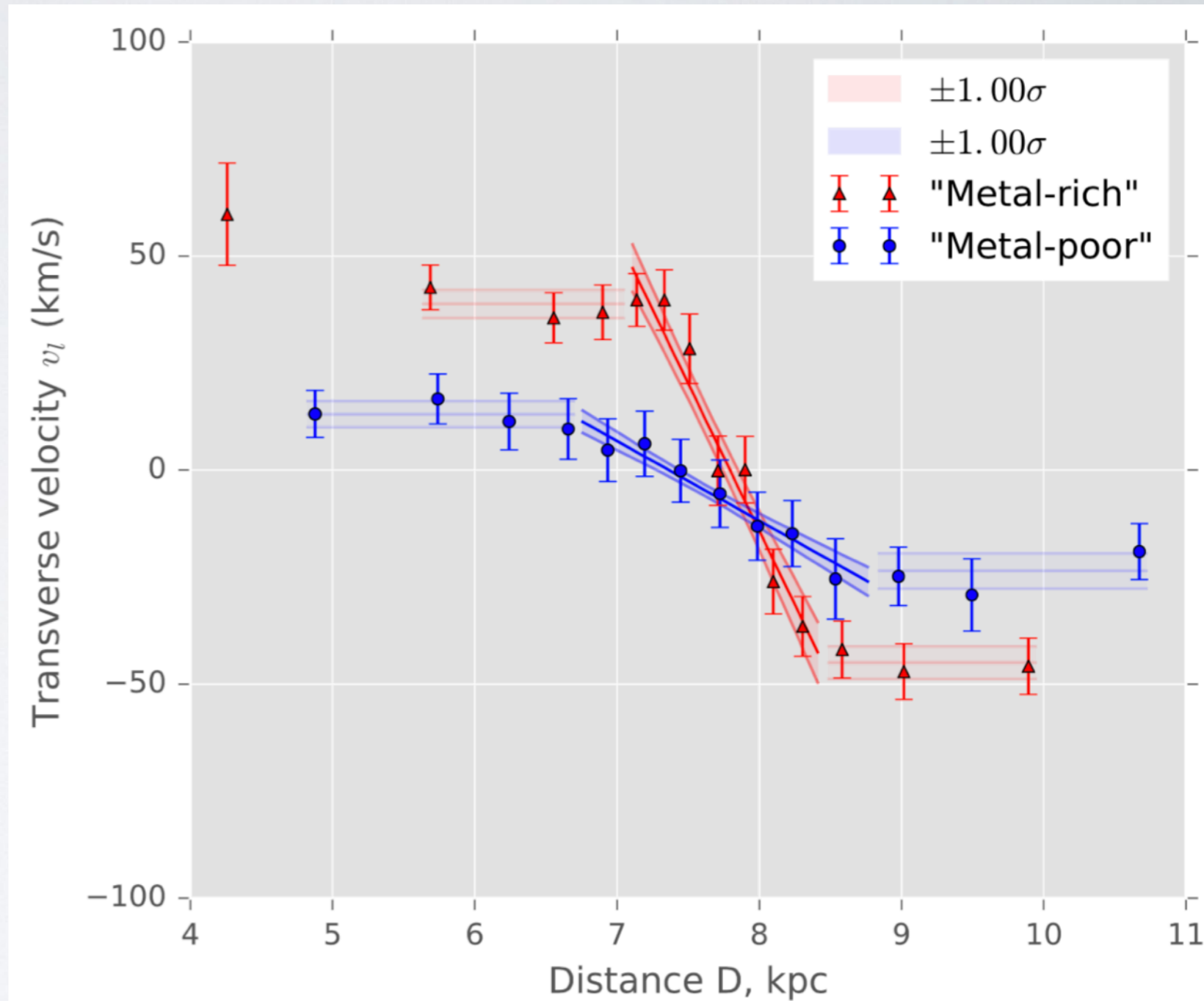
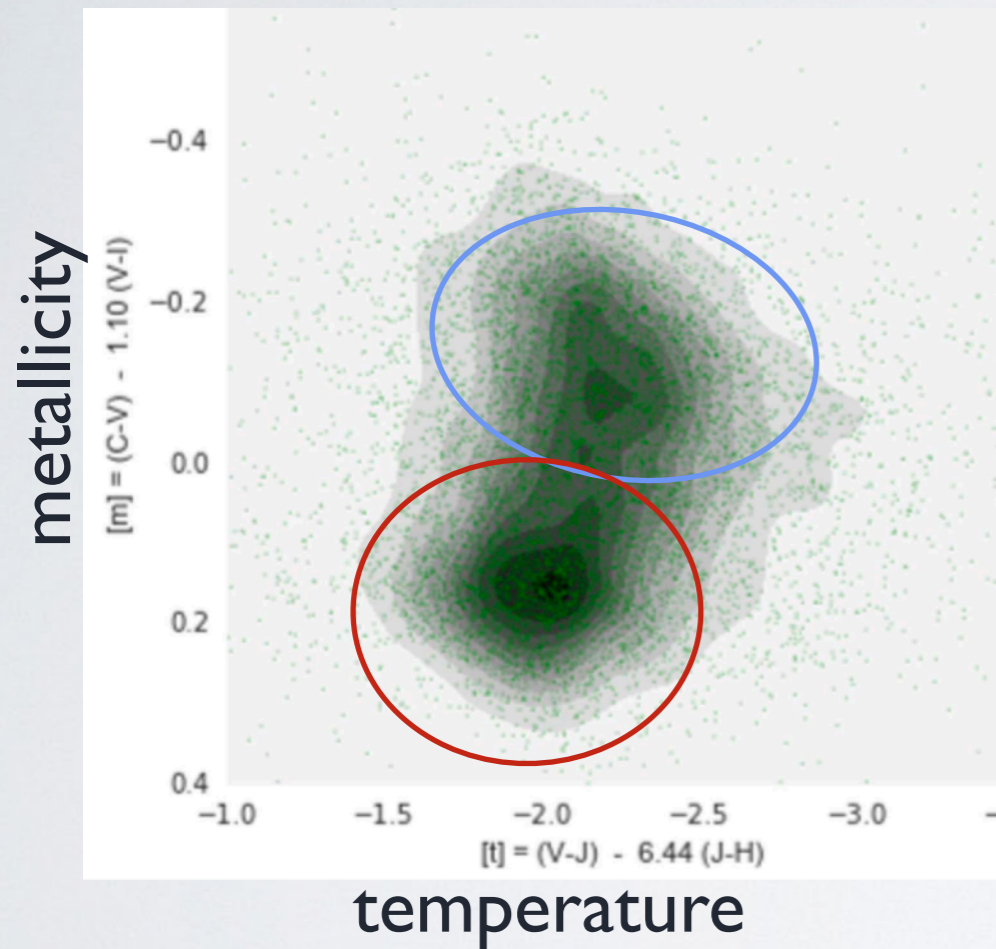
The two components have different spatial distribution

Queiroz+2020 APOGEE+GaiaDR2 StarHorse



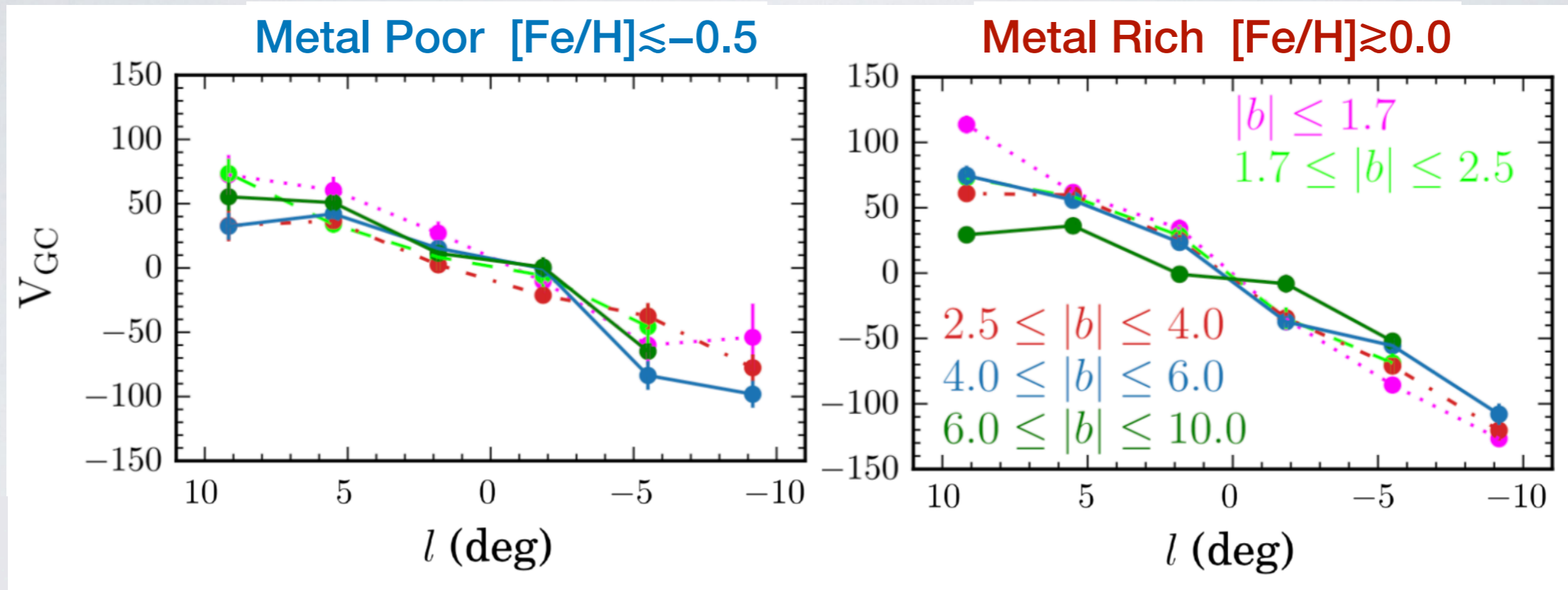
The two components have different kinematics

Clarkson+2018 HST Bulge Treasury



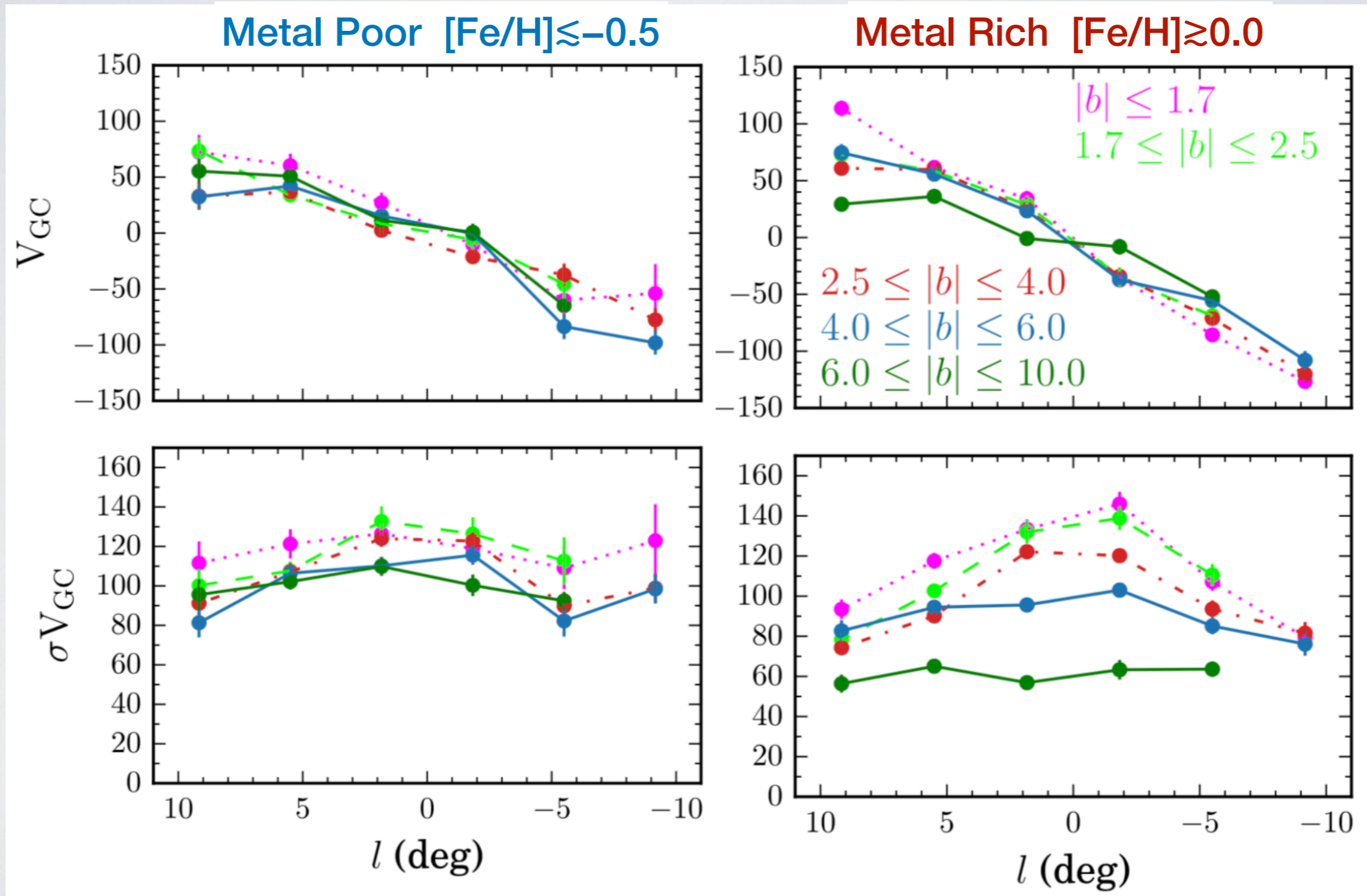
The two components have different kinematics

Rojas-Arriagada + 2020 APOGEE



The two components have different kinematics

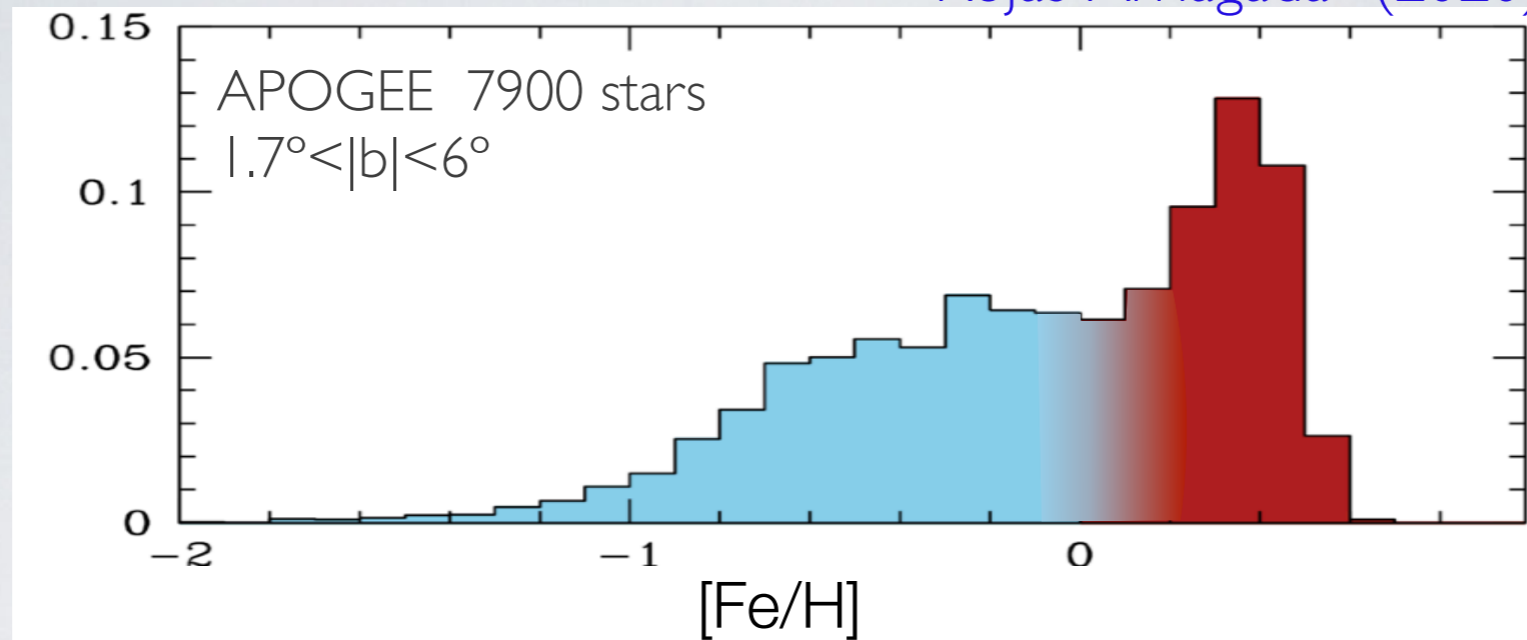
Rojas-Arriagada + 2020 APOGEE



see also MZ+2017, Ness+2013

(partial) Summary:

Rojas-Arriagada+(2020)



only old

old + ?

spheroidal

bar + B/P

high $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$

low $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$

rotates slower

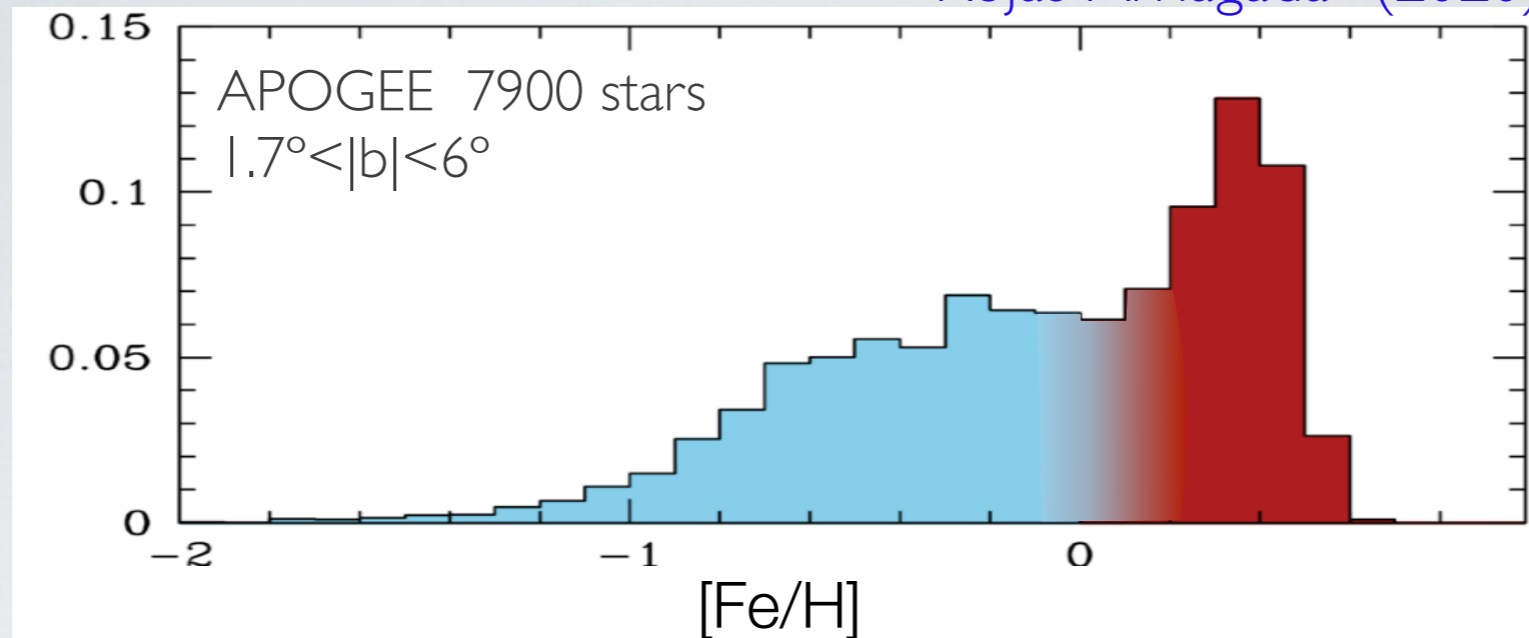
rotates faster

constant σ_{RV}

gradient σ_{RV}

(partial) Summary:

Rojas-Arriagada+(2020)



only old

old + ?

spheroidal

bar + B/P

high $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$

low $[\alpha/\text{Fe}]$

rotates slower

rotates faster

constant σ_{RV}

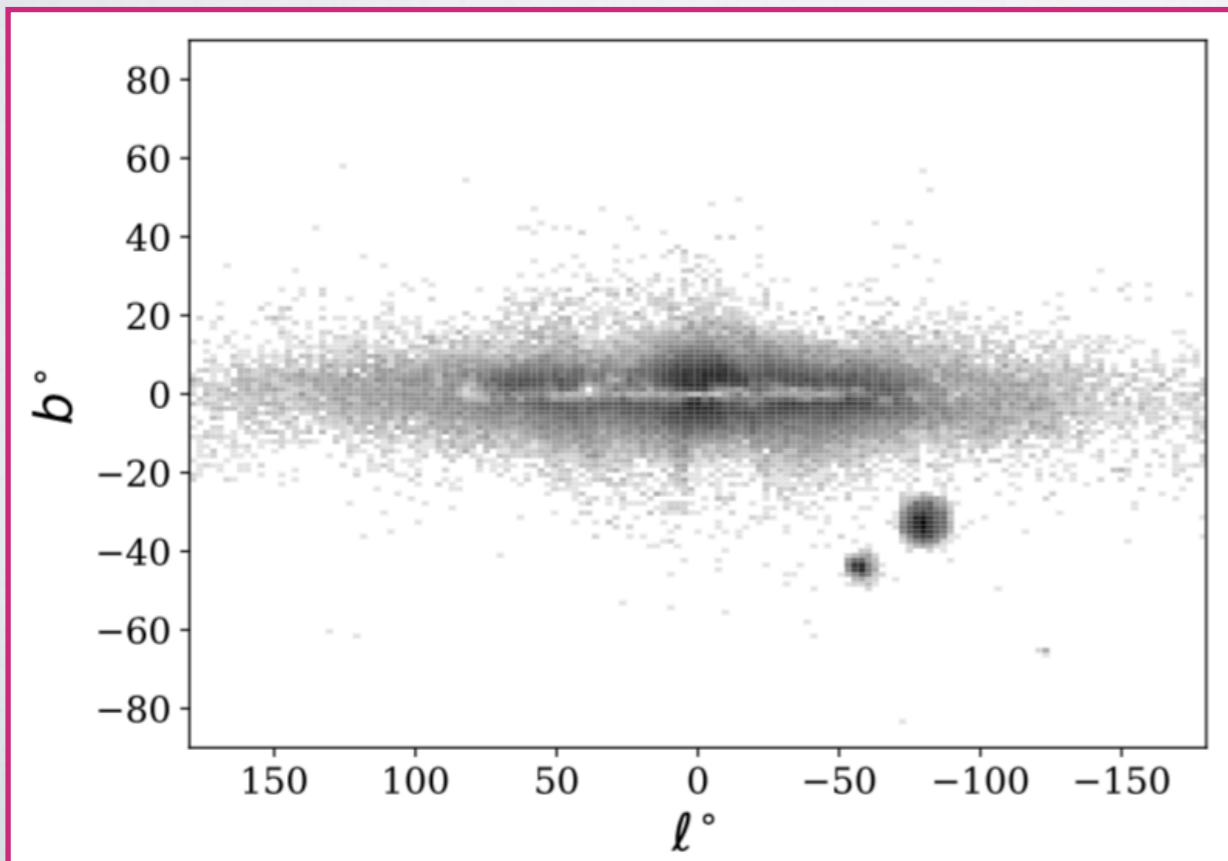
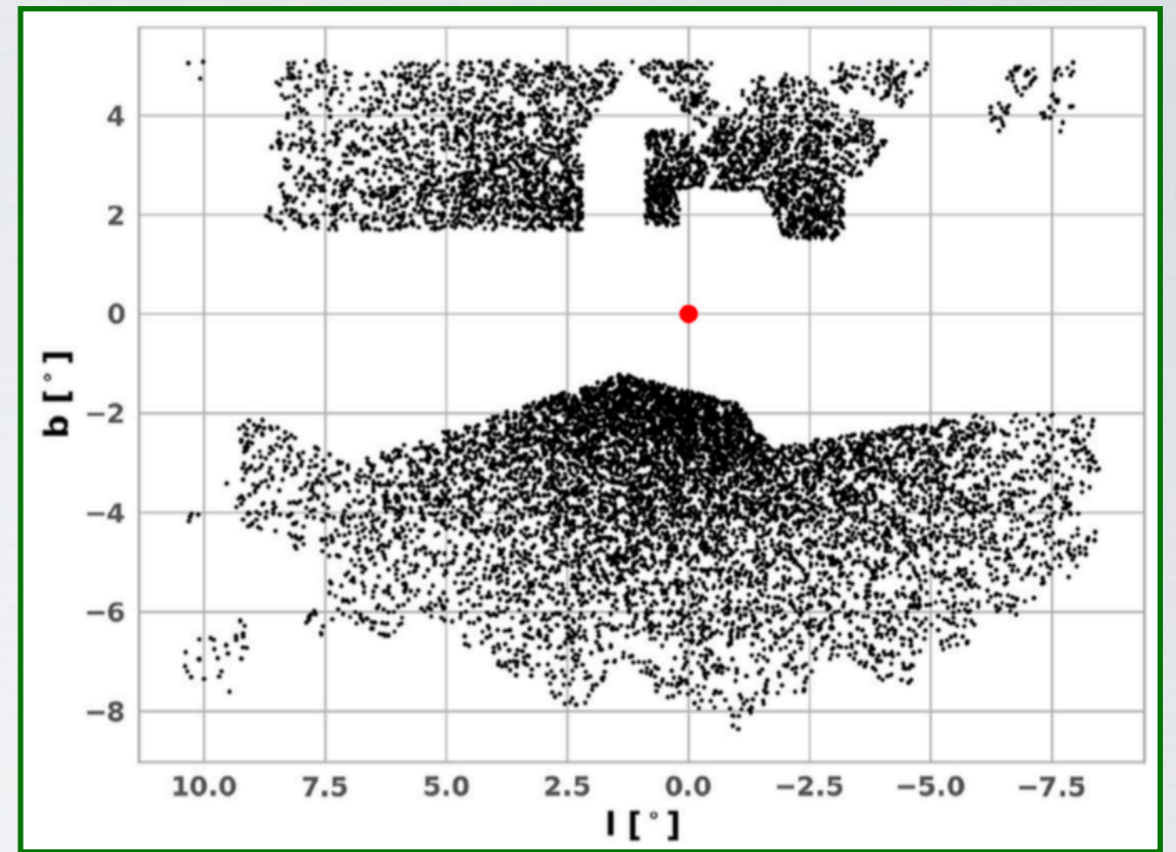
gradient σ_{RV}



What can we learn from Variable Stars ?

RR Lyrae stars: certainly > 10 Gyr

Du+2020: $\sim 12,300$ "clean" RRL
in GaiaDR2 + OGLE

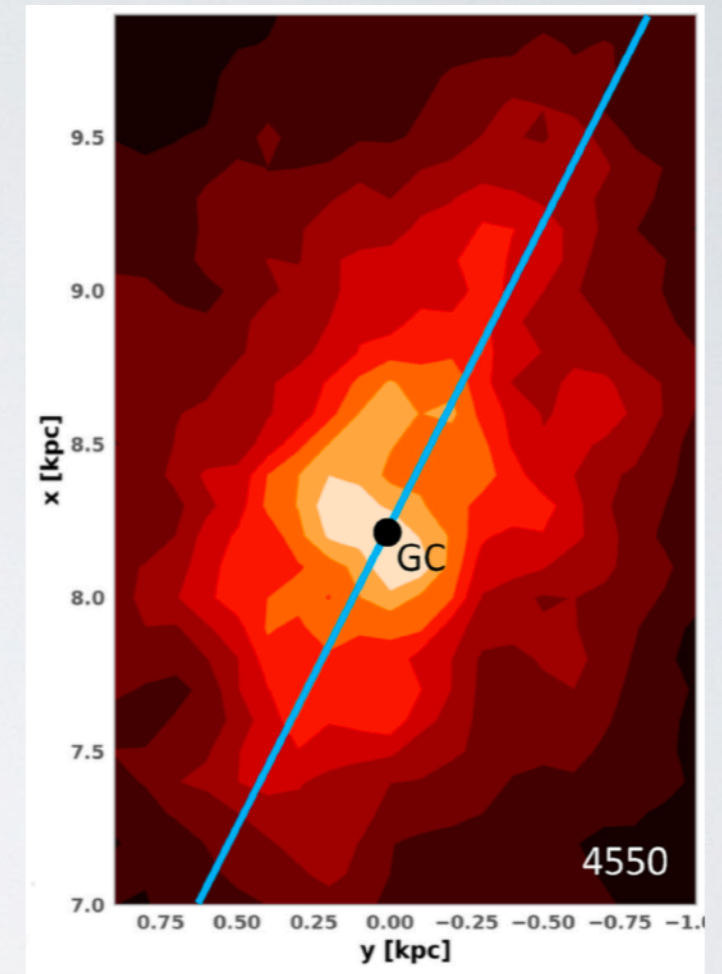
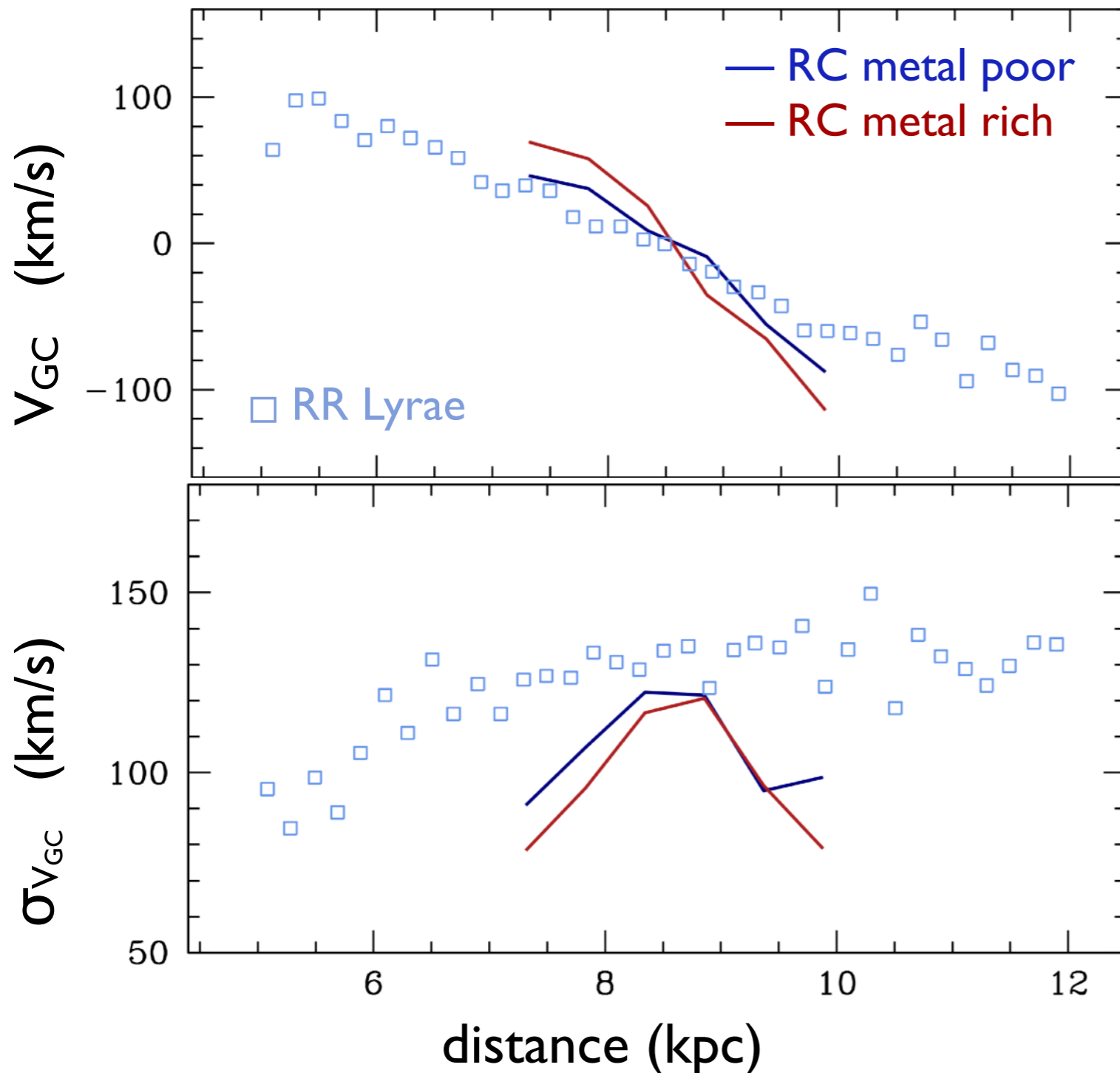


Mira variables: age / Period relation

Grady+2020 $\sim 8,500$ O-rich Miras
in GaiaDR2+OGLE+2MASS
with $|b| > 5^\circ$

RR Lyrae (a pure old population)

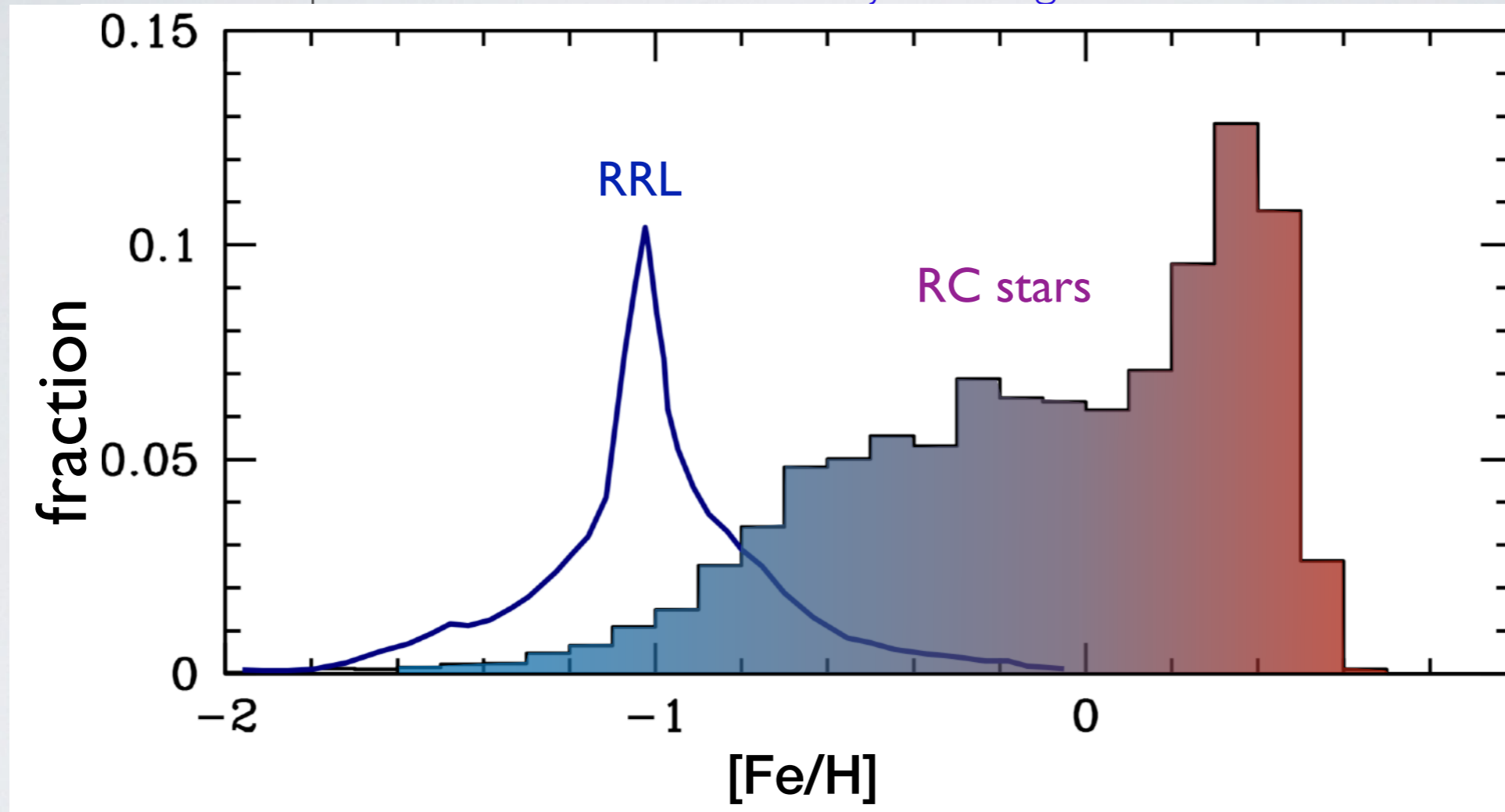
adapted from [Du+2020](#) and [Rojas-Arriagada + 2020](#)



see also:
[Kunder + 2015, 2020](#)
[Pietrukowicz+2015](#)
[Dékány+2013](#)

Do RRL and metal-poor RC trace the same parent population?

adapted from [Du+2020](#) and [Rojas-Arriagada +2020](#)

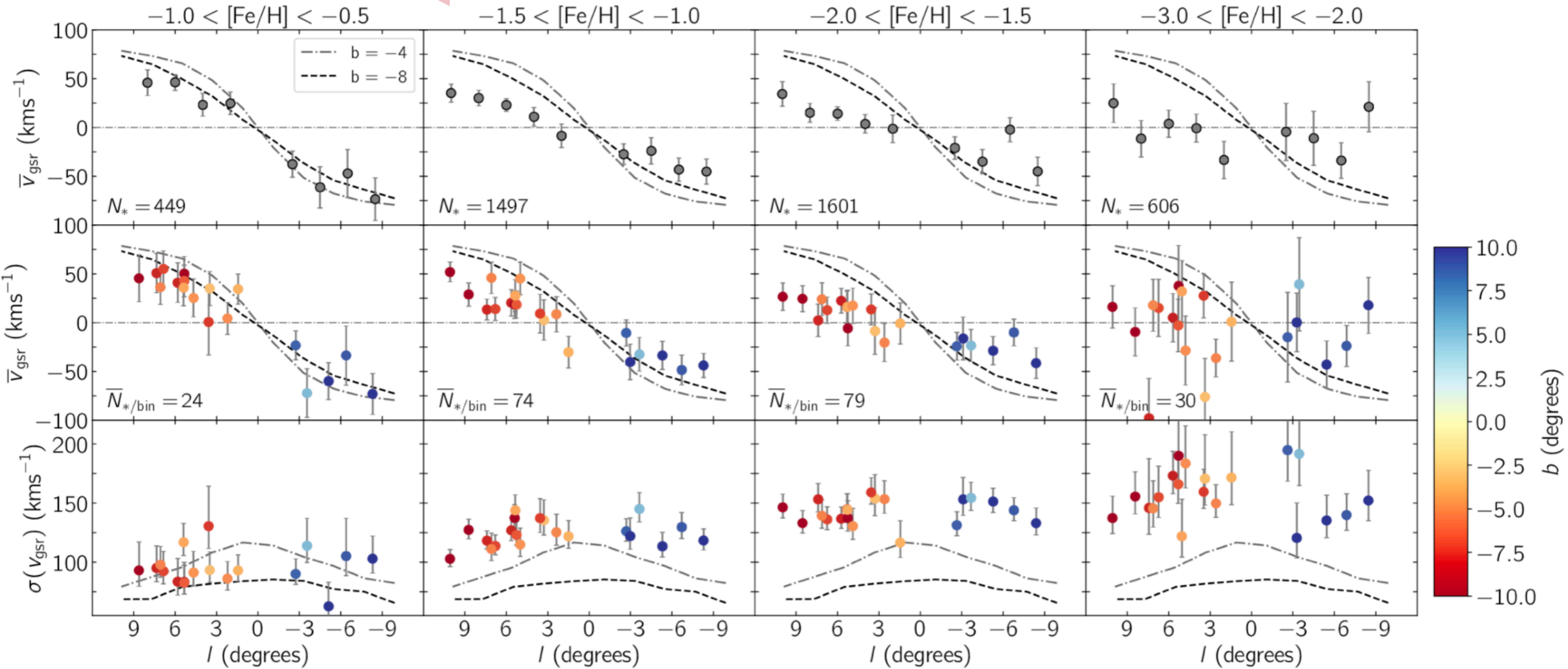
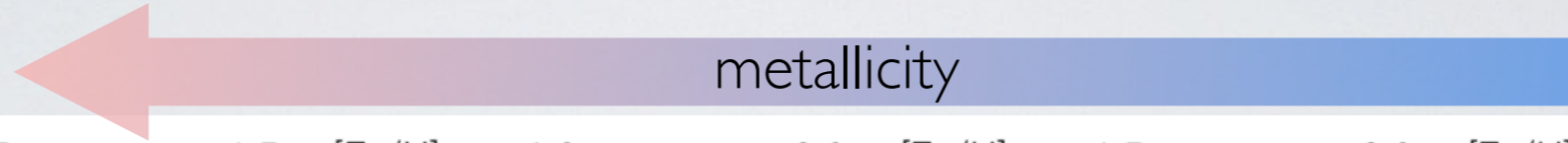


Probably yes.

However, RRL are contaminated by the halo especially at the metal-poor, outer end of their distribution (see [Du+2020](#) and [Kunder+2020](#))

The Bulge → Halo Transition

Arentsen+2020 PIGS



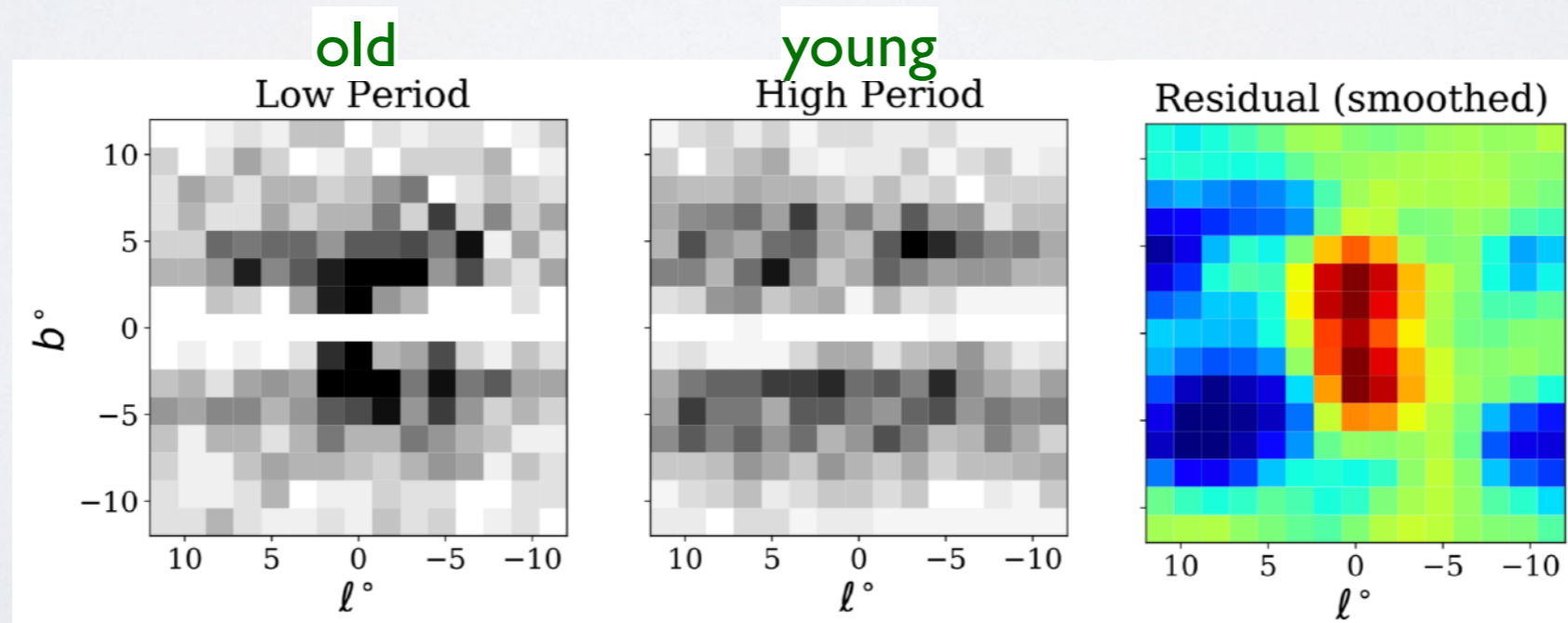
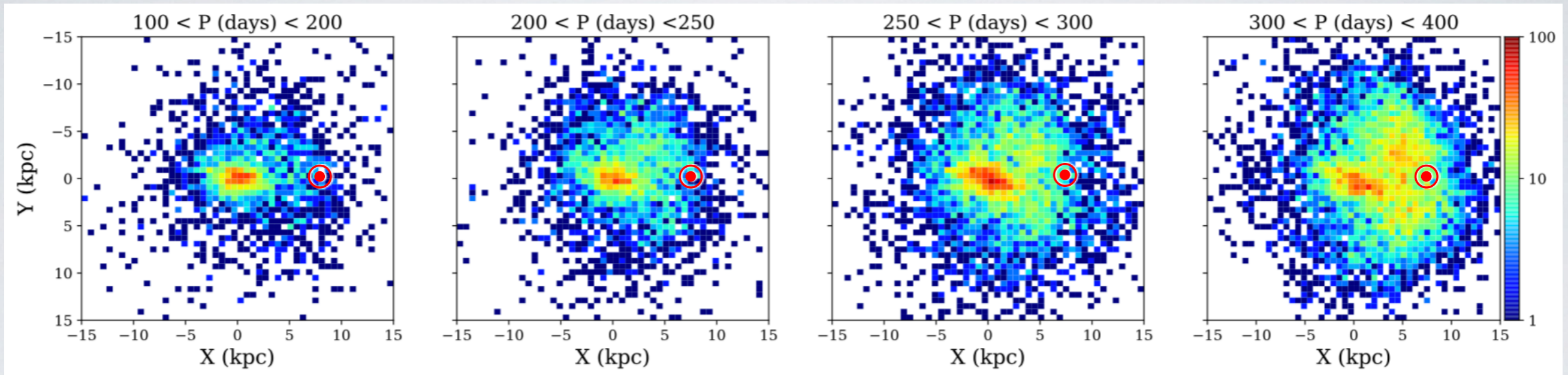
O-rich Miras: age slicing the inner MW

Grady+2020

old Miras (~10 Gyr)

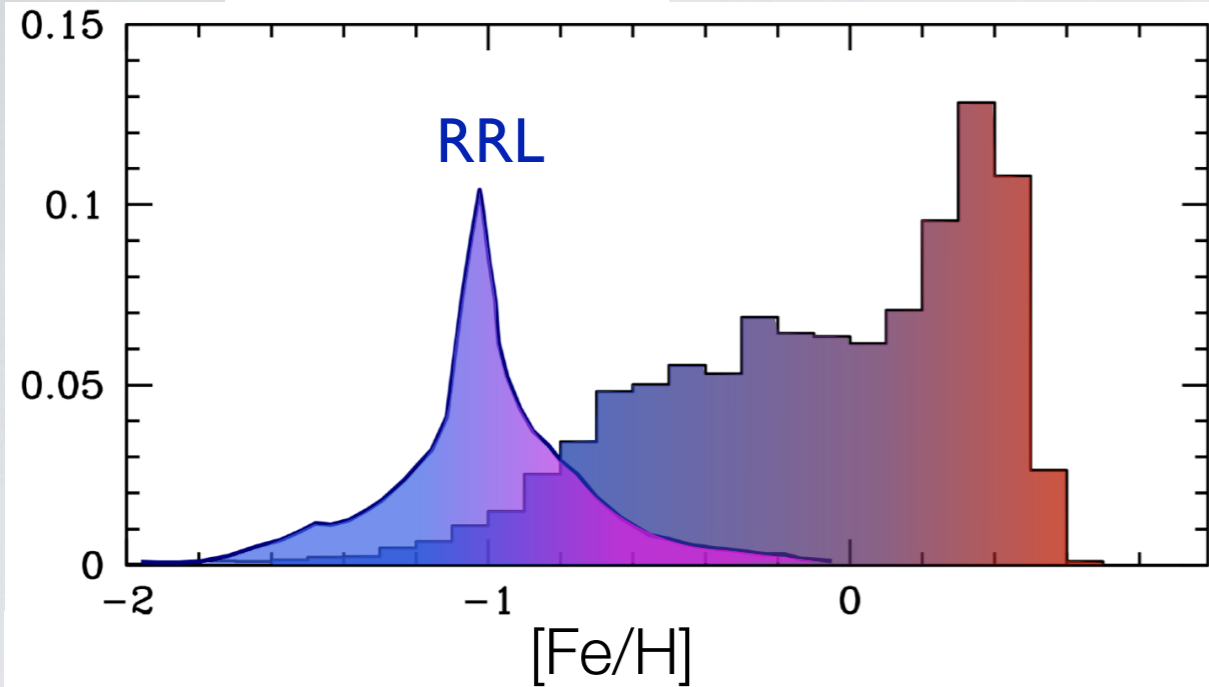
← AGE →

young Miras (5-7 Gyr)

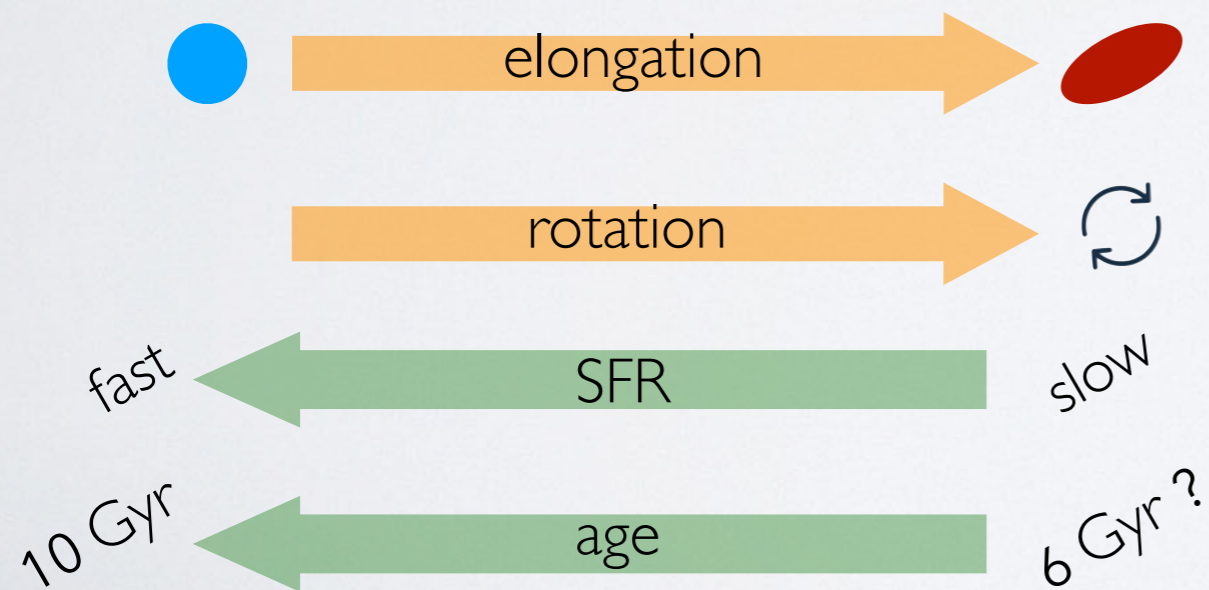


Summary

N components?

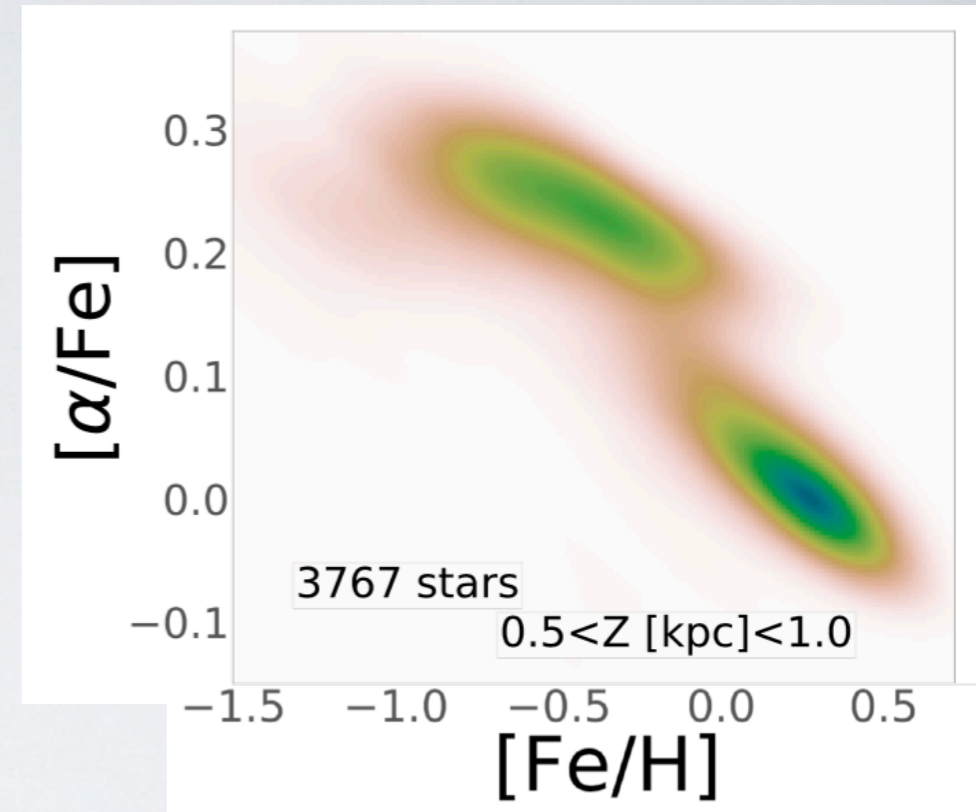
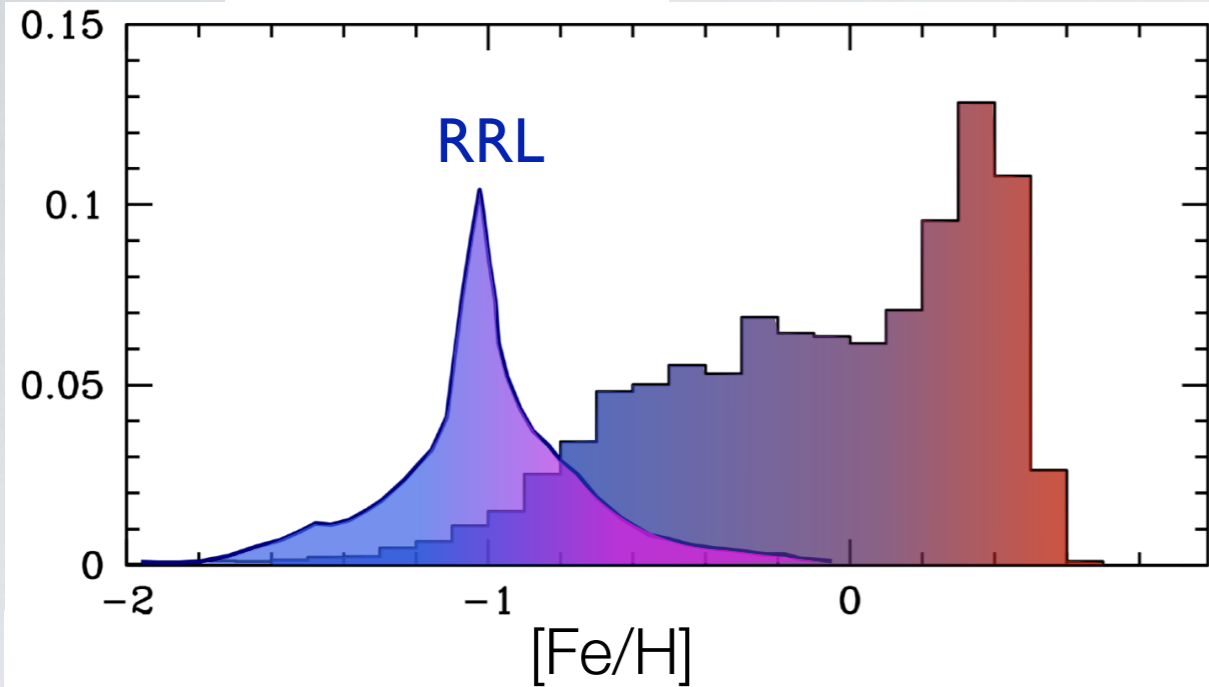


or perhaps a continuum?

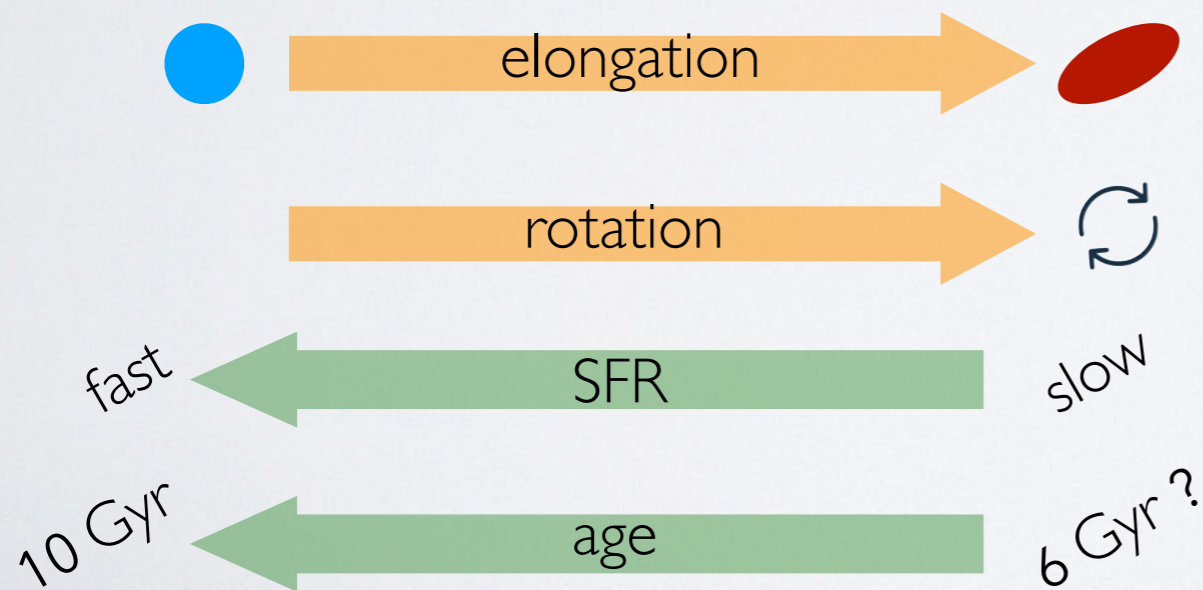


Summary

N components?



or perhaps a continuum?



Red Clump Lim+2020

