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Probing the Outskirts of Disk Galaxies

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Galaxy

Halos

Outer Disks

Substructure

Thick Disks

Star Clusters

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GHOSTS The Survey

- **GHOSTS samples the resolved stellar populations in the outskirts of 16+ nearby disk galaxies with a large HST ACS/WFPC2/WFC3 survey**
- **HST allows us to go to larger distances (more galaxies), denser regions (disk outskirts) and larger radii (less contamination)**
- **Science goals of GHOSTS:**
 - **Structure, substructure and metallicities of stellar halos**
 - **Stellar age/metallicity distributions in disk outskirts (scaleheight/length, disk heating, truncations, warps)**
 - **Globular cluster systems**

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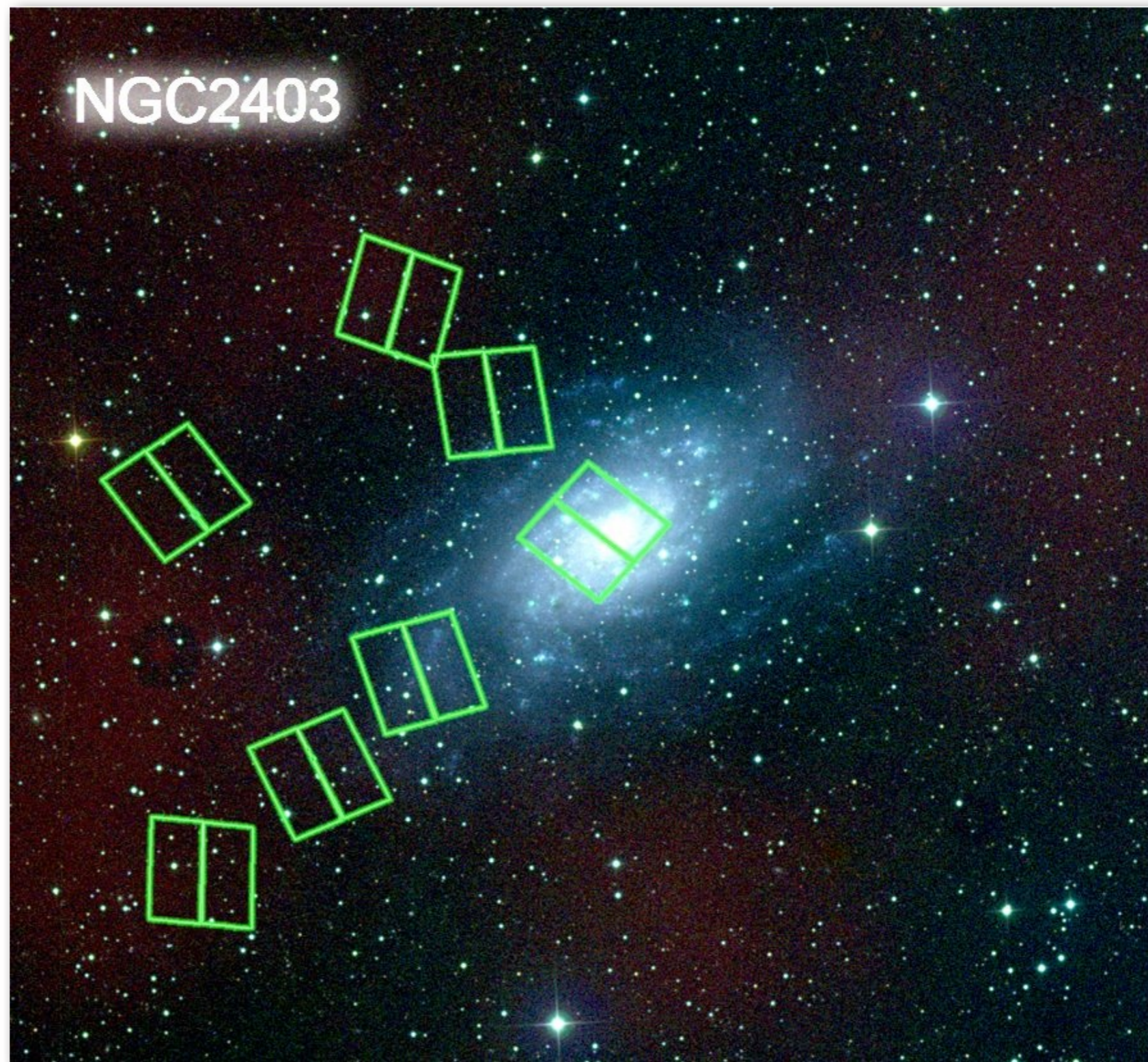
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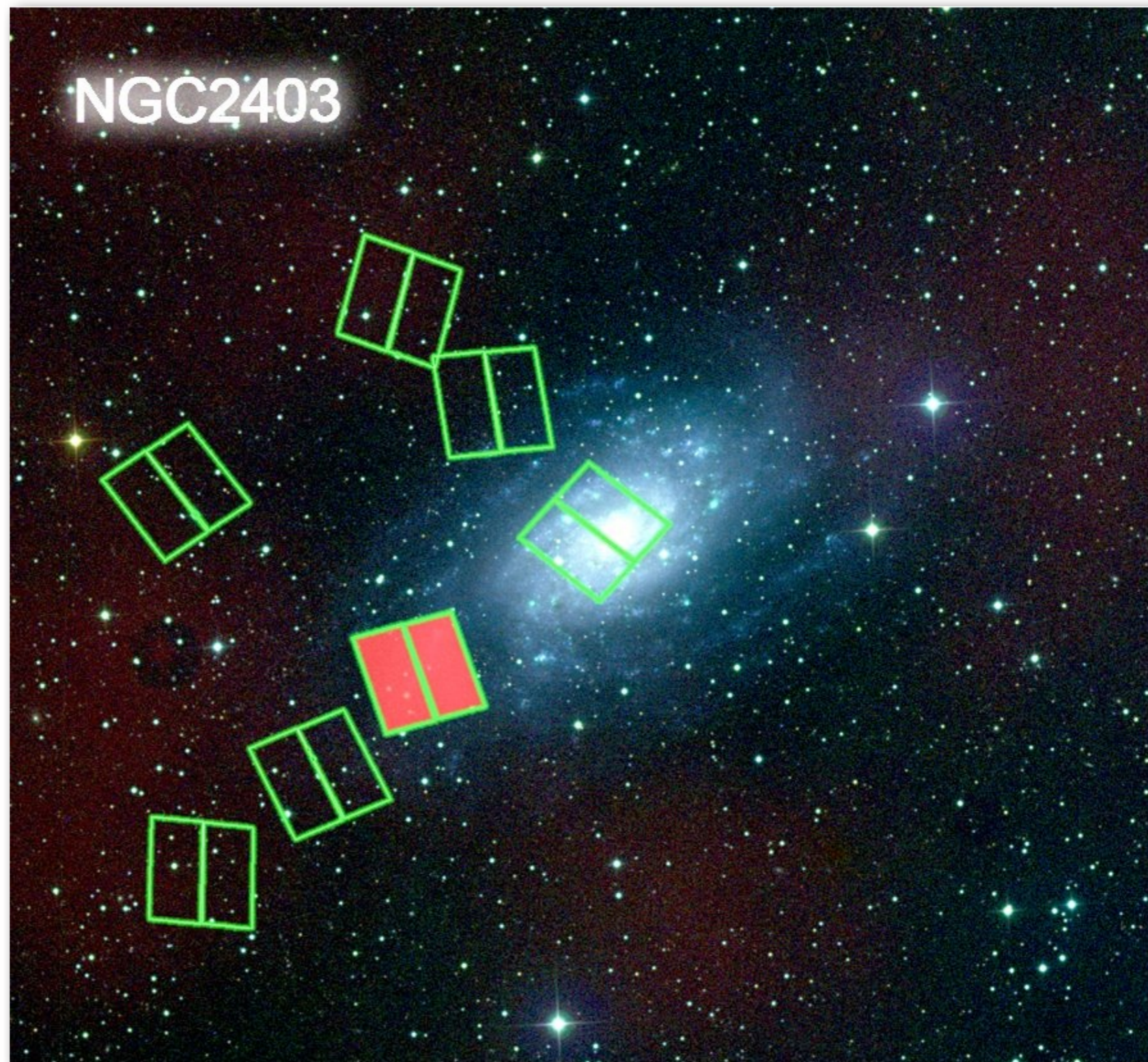
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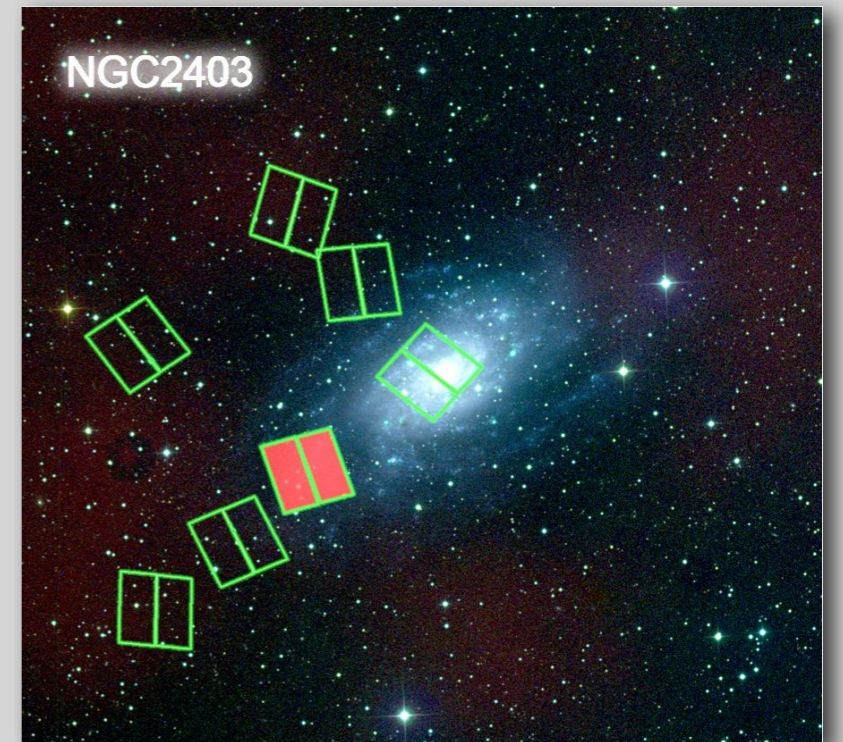
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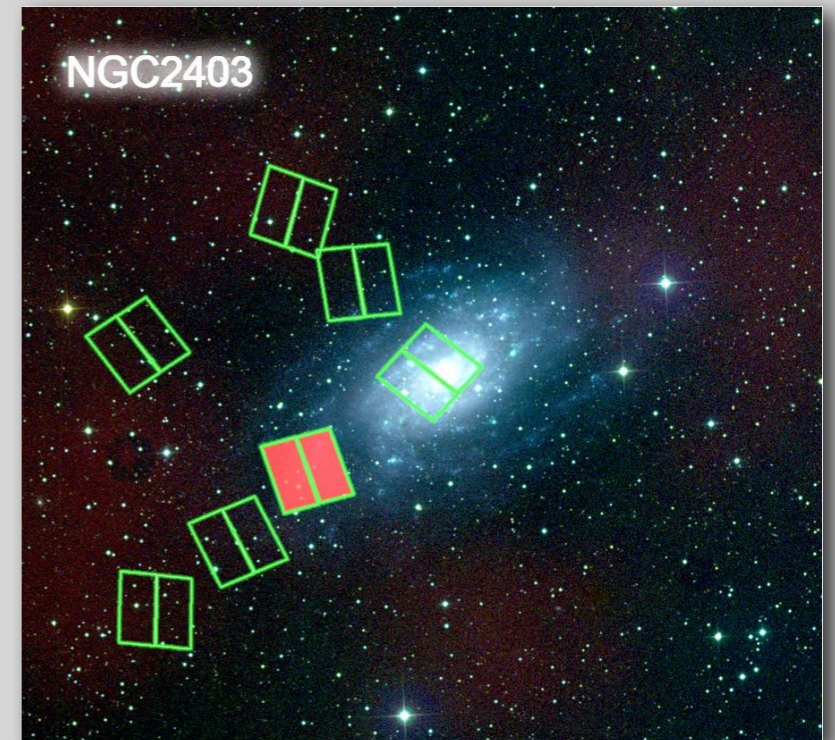
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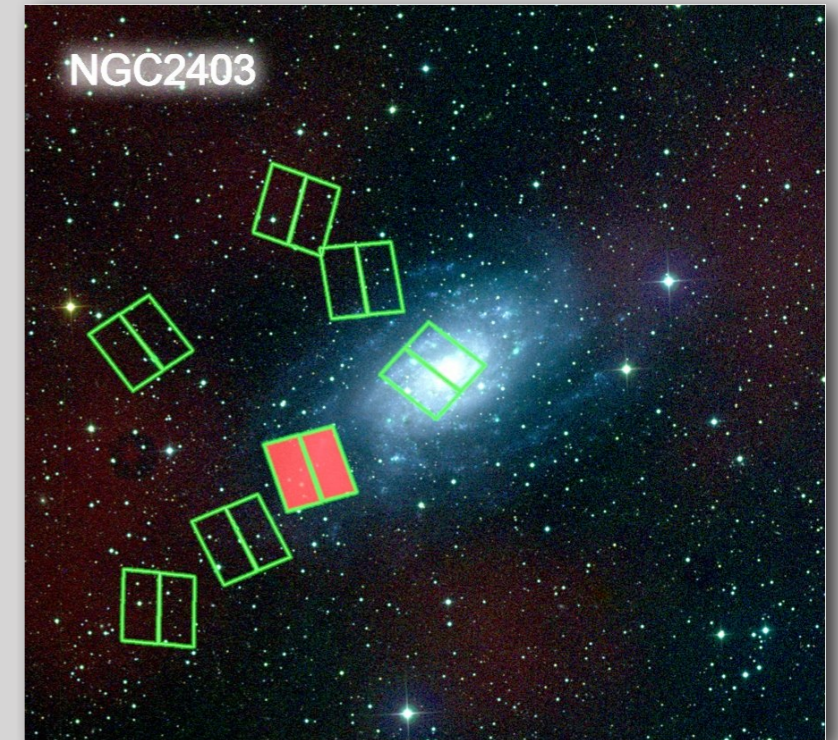
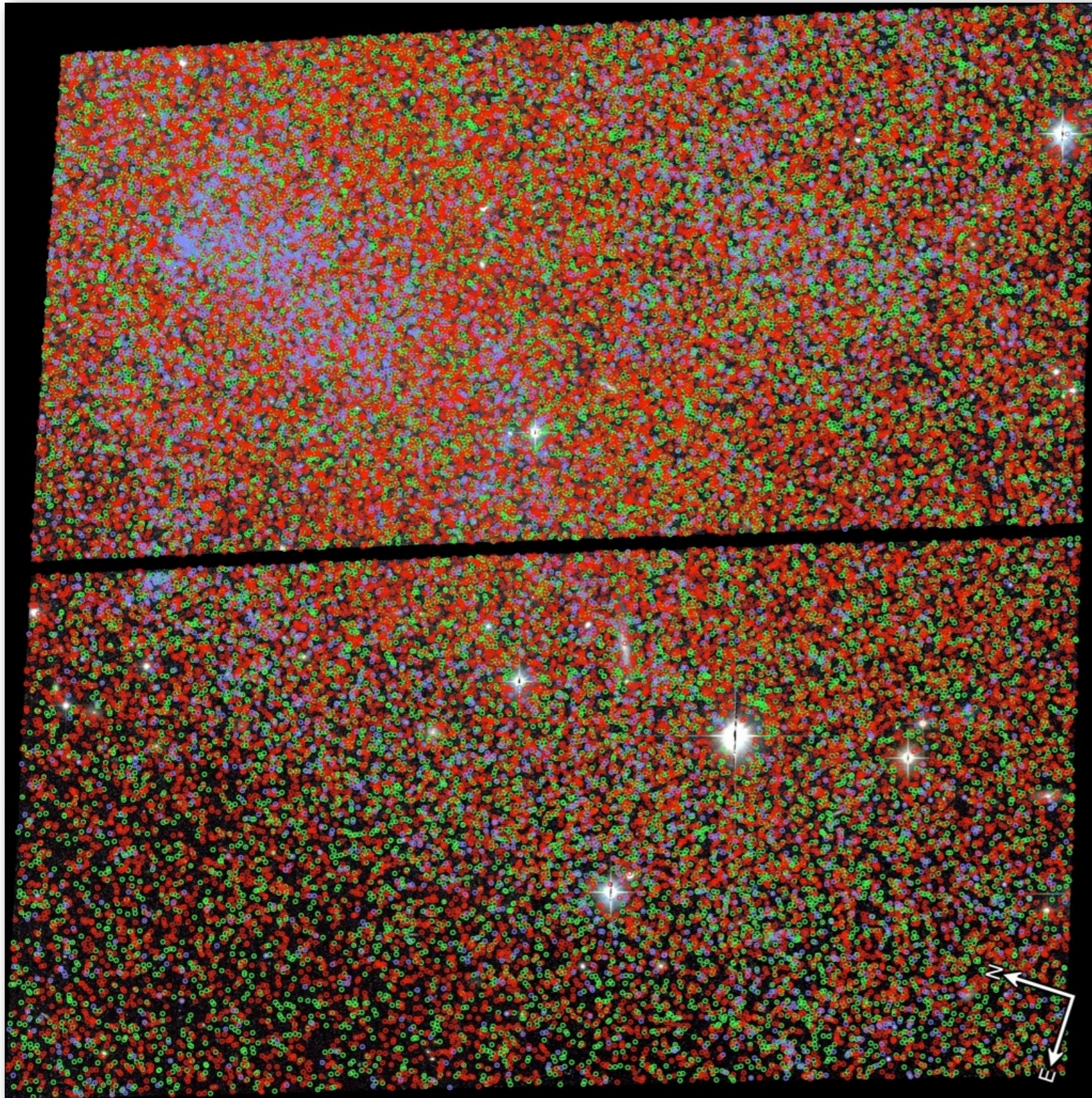
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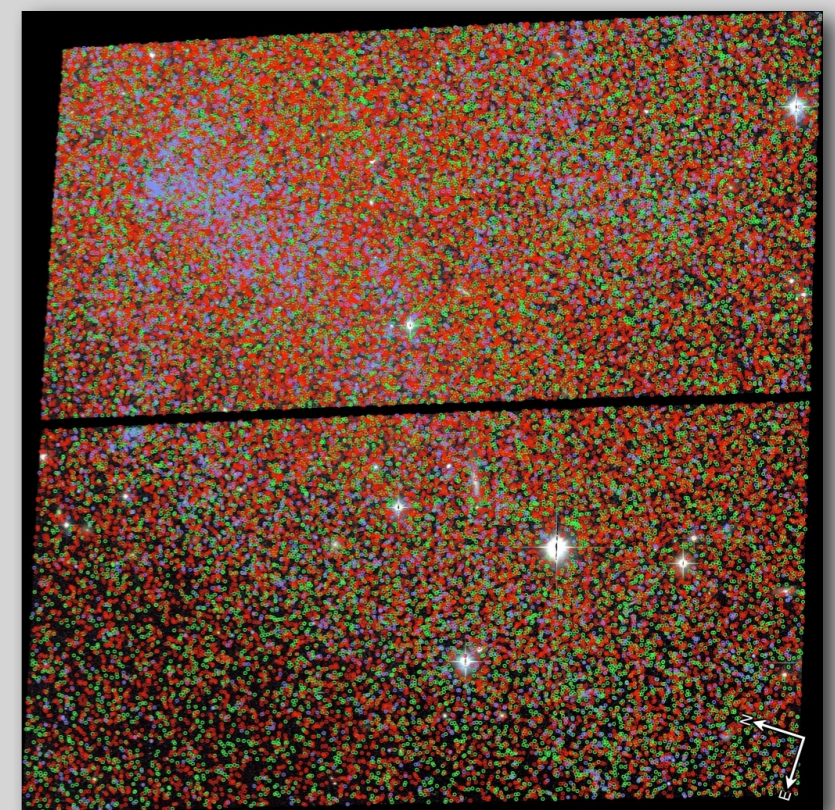
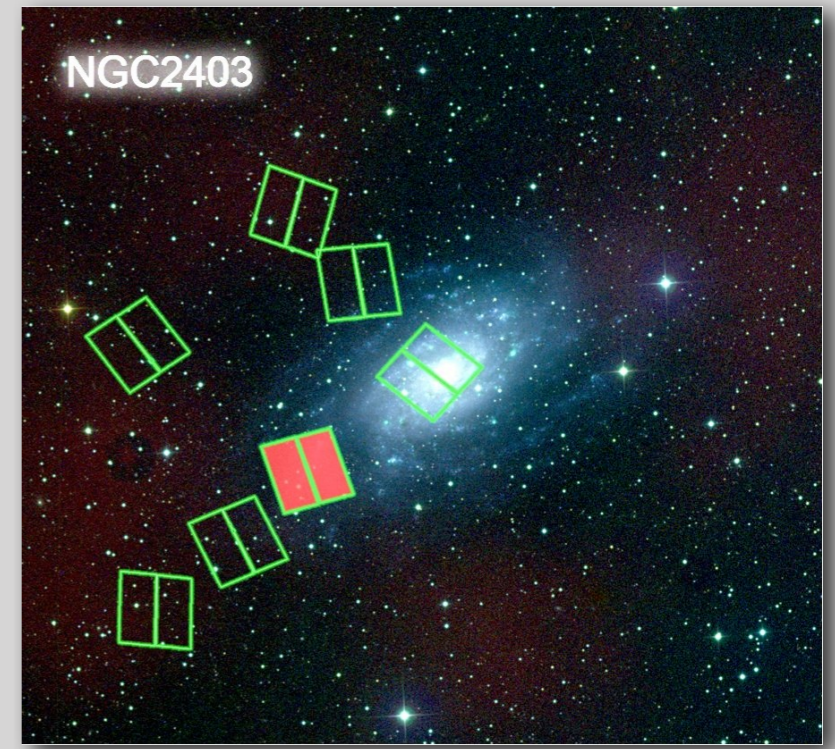
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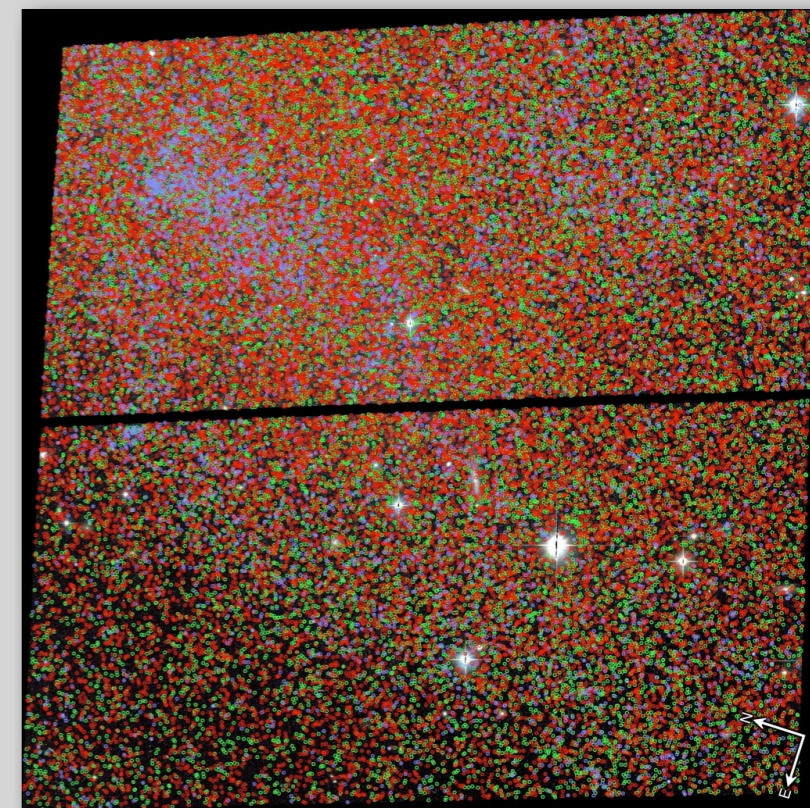
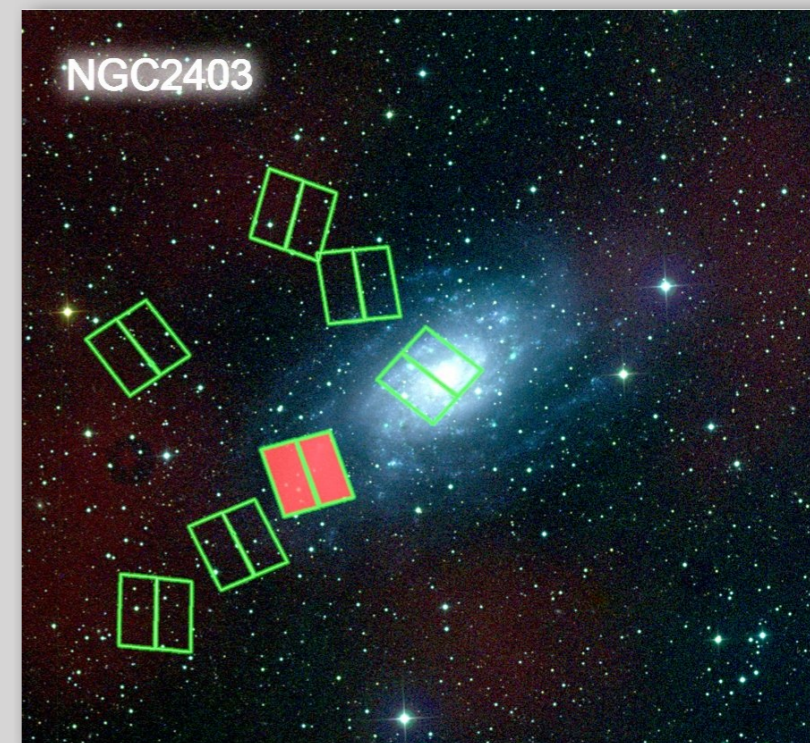
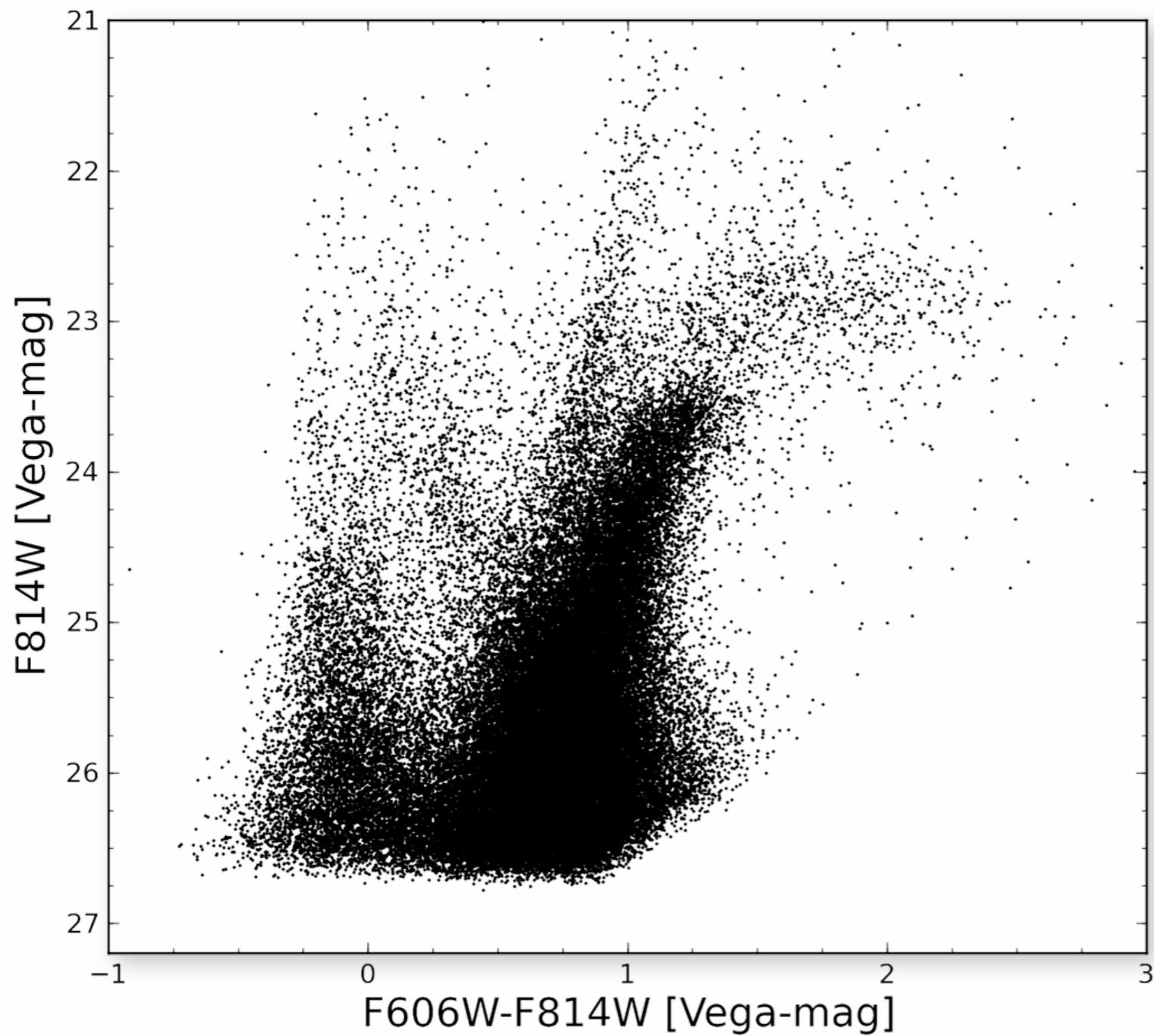


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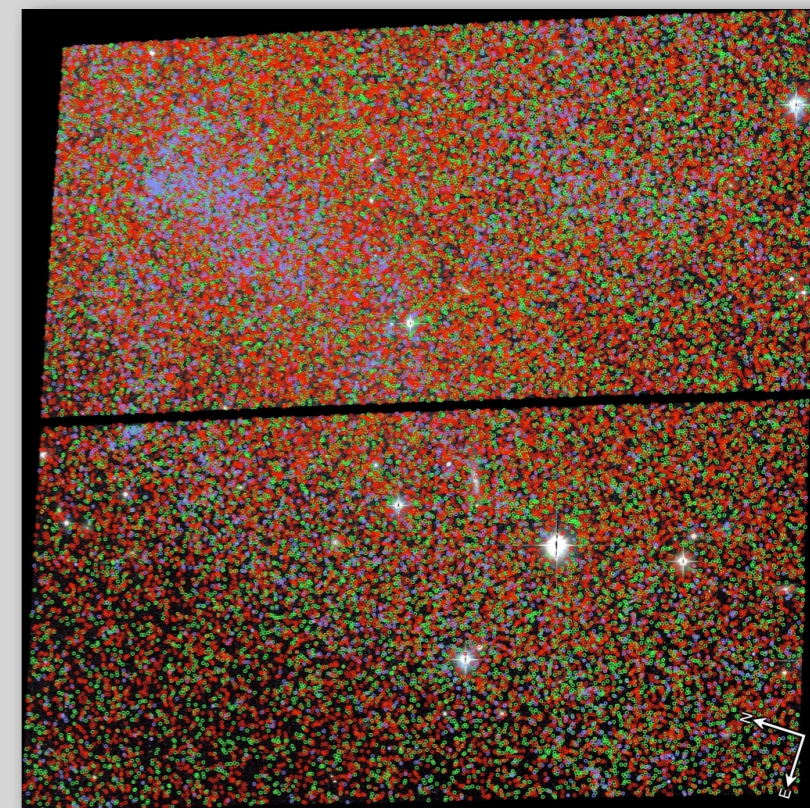
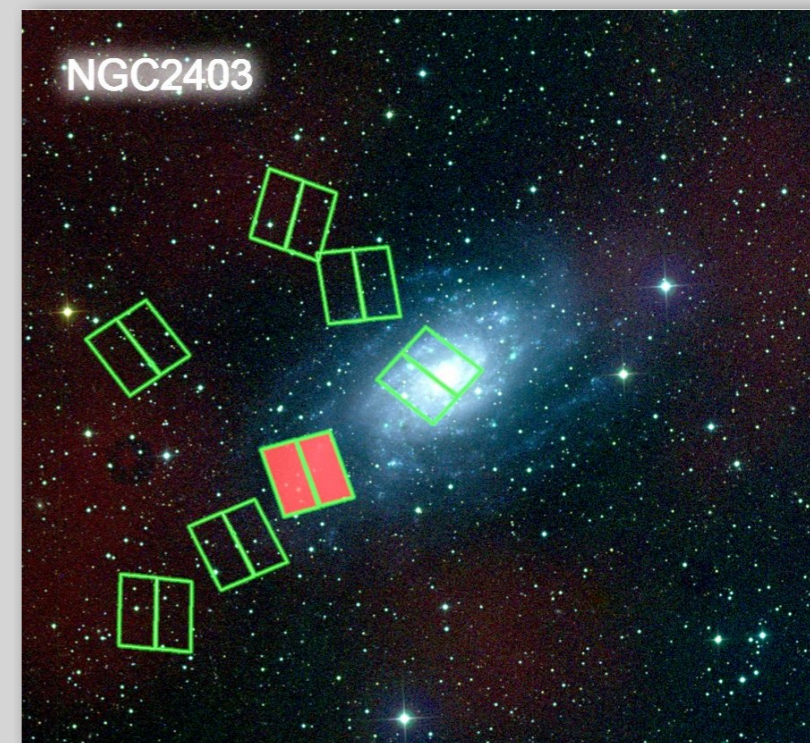
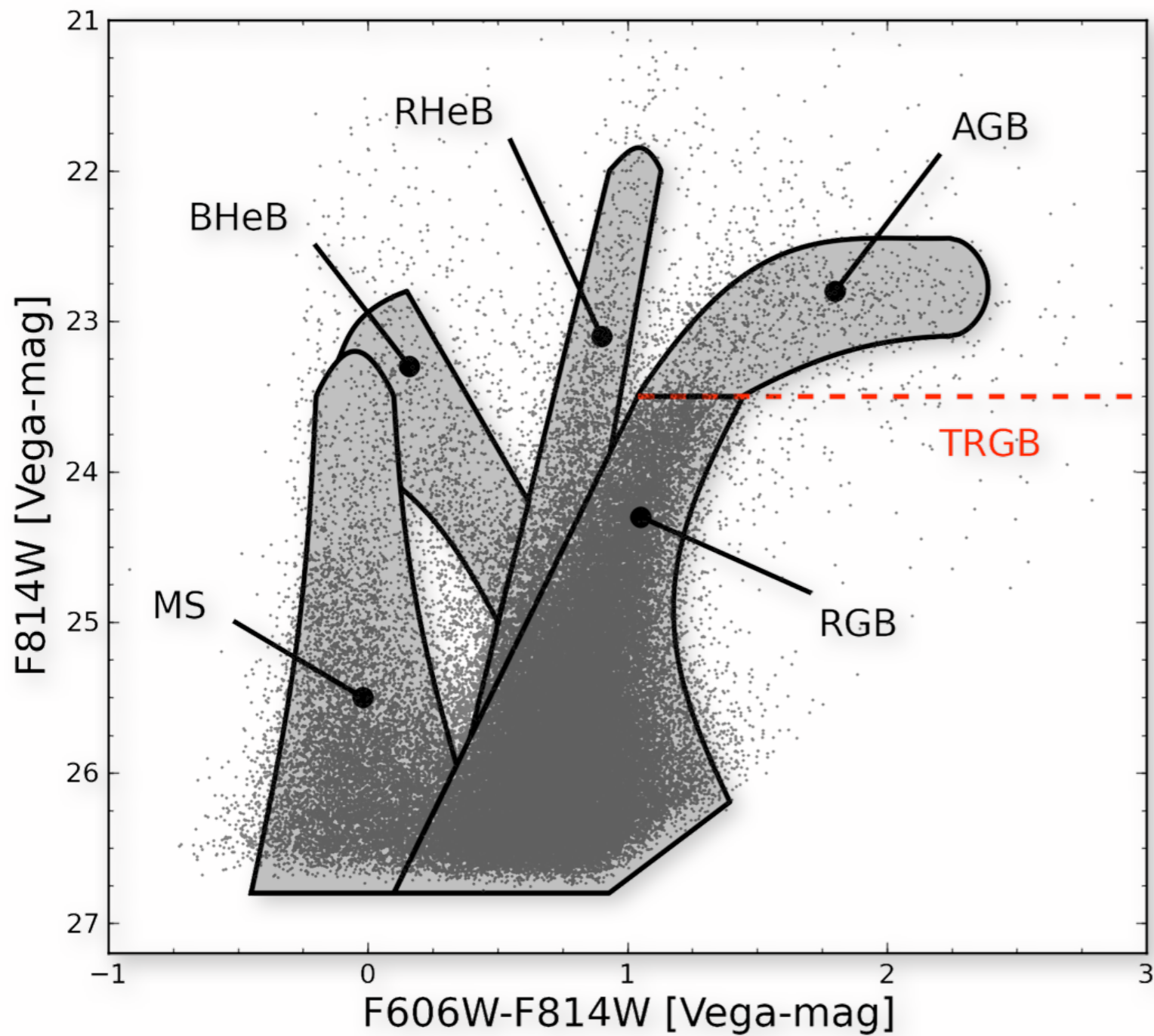
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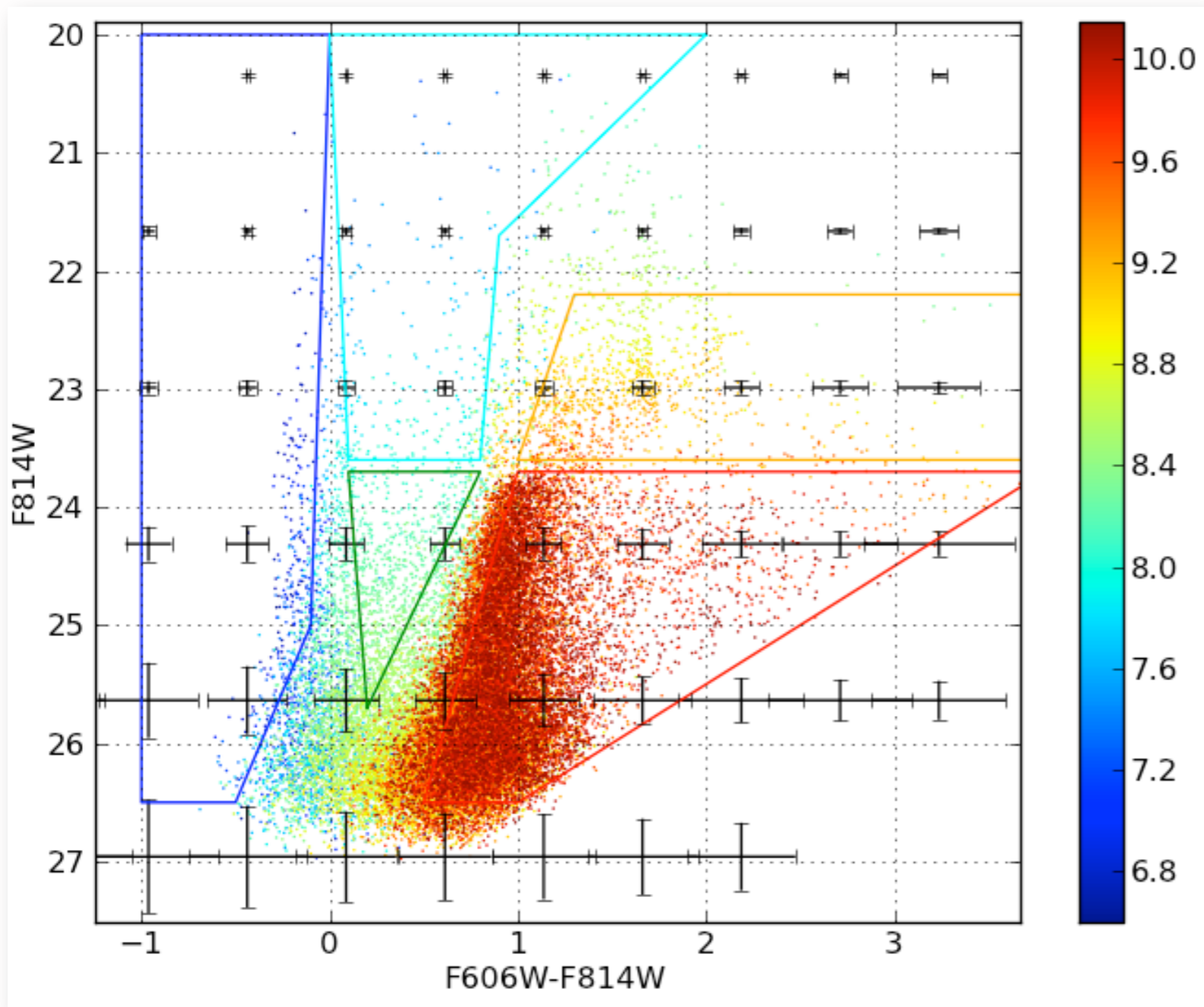


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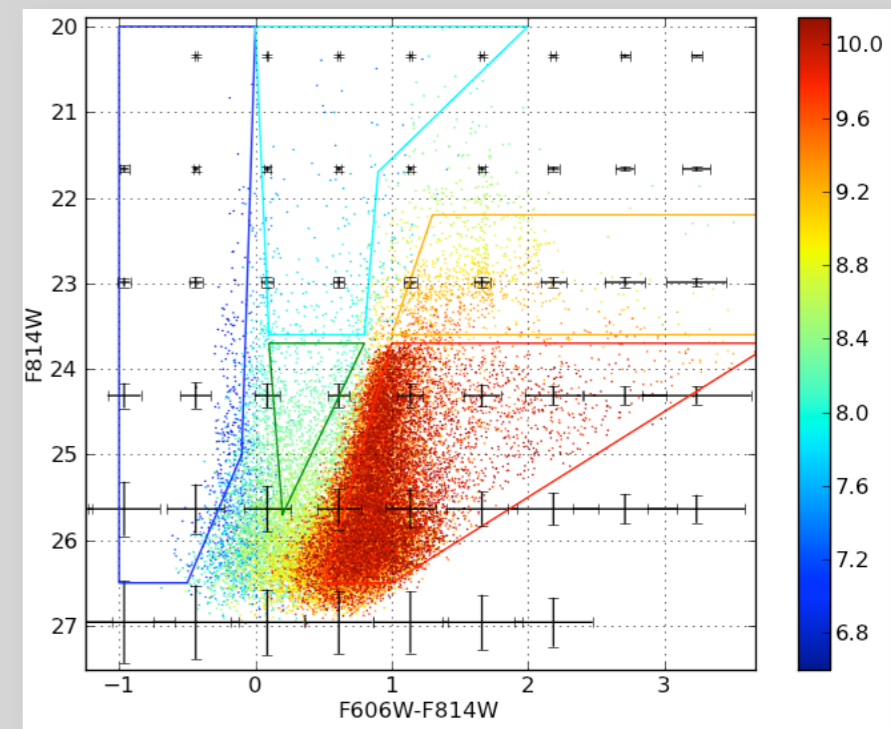
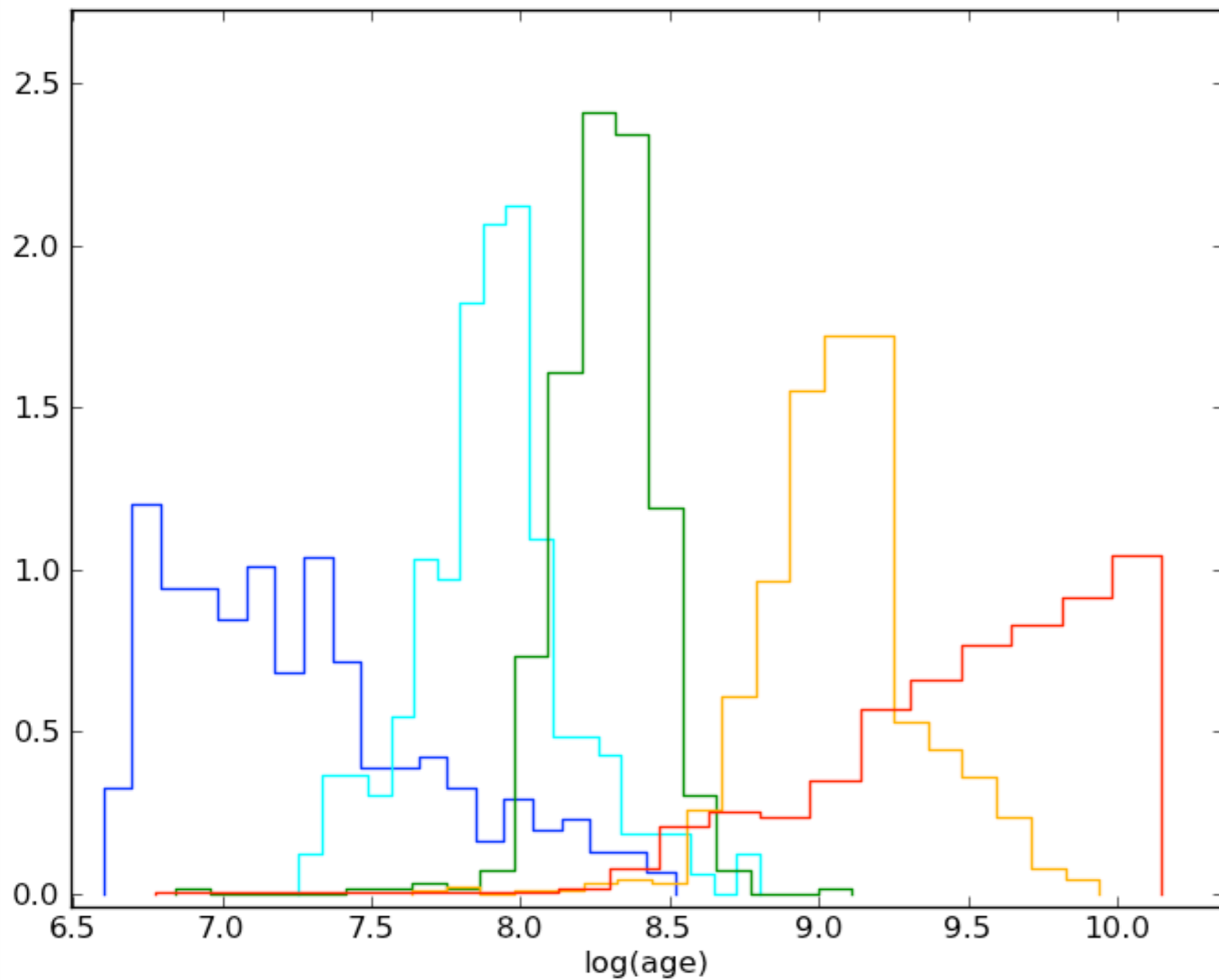
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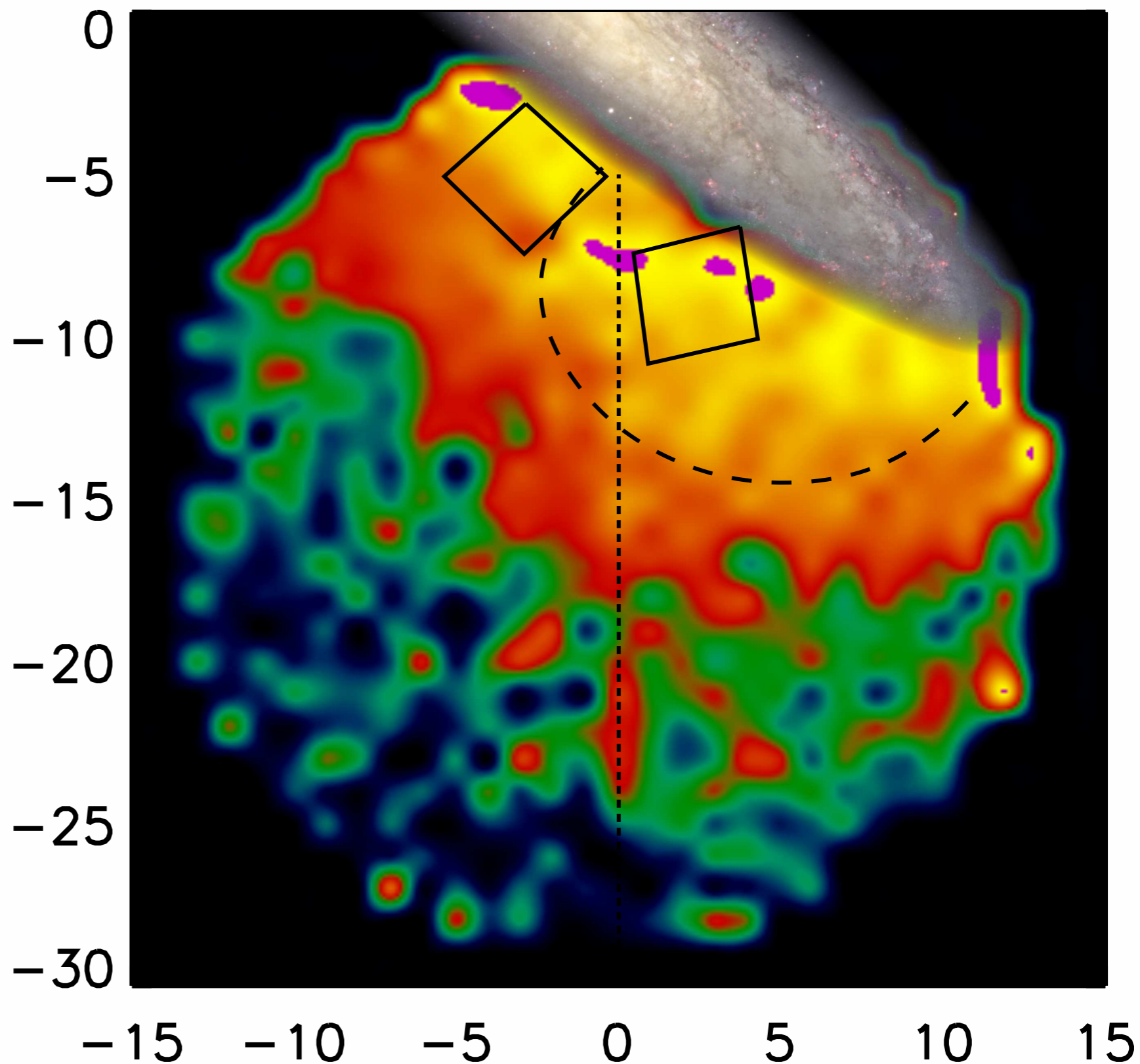
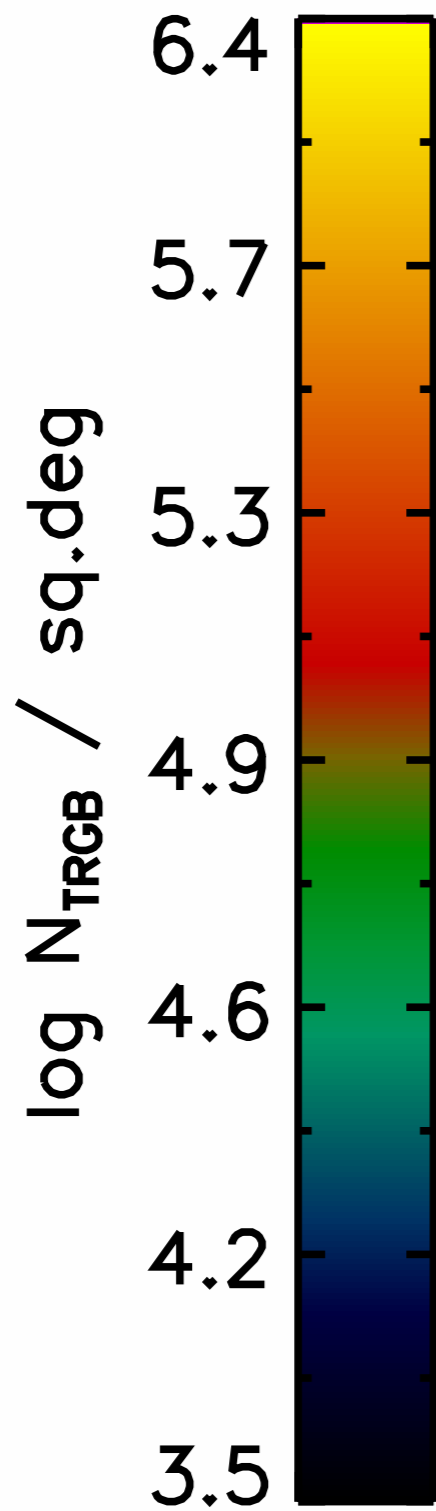
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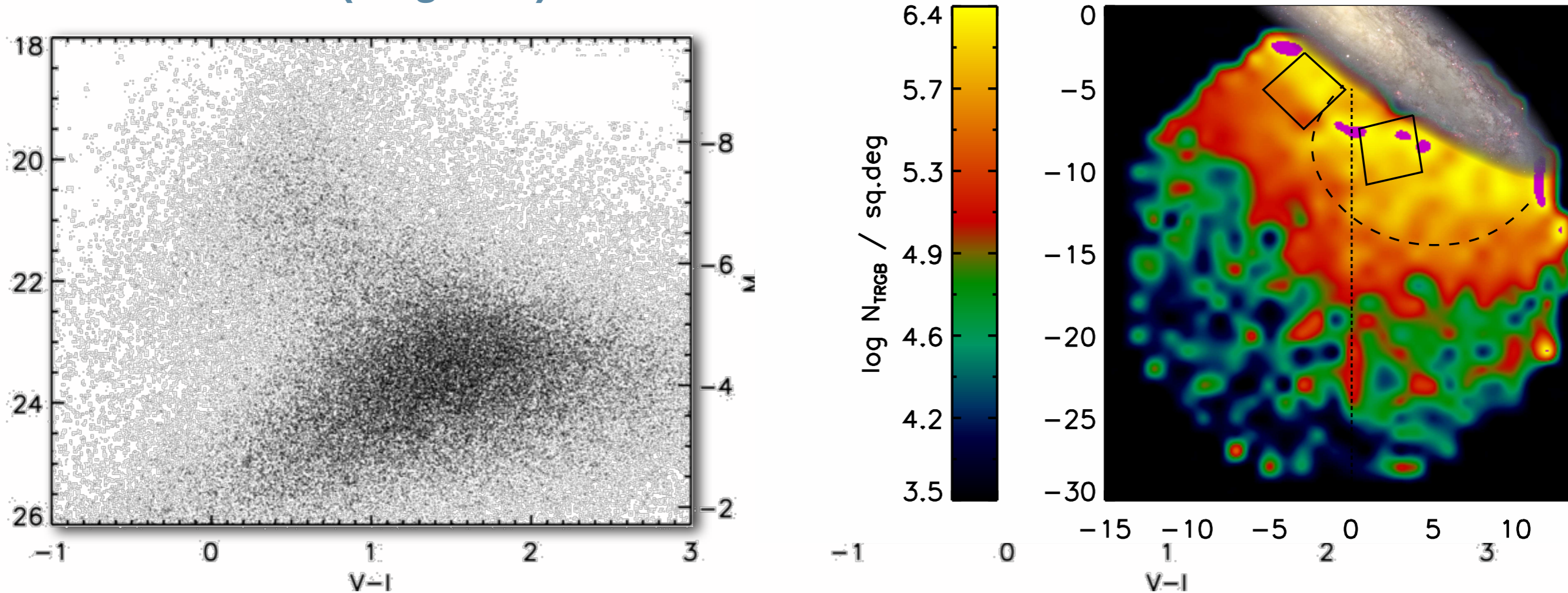


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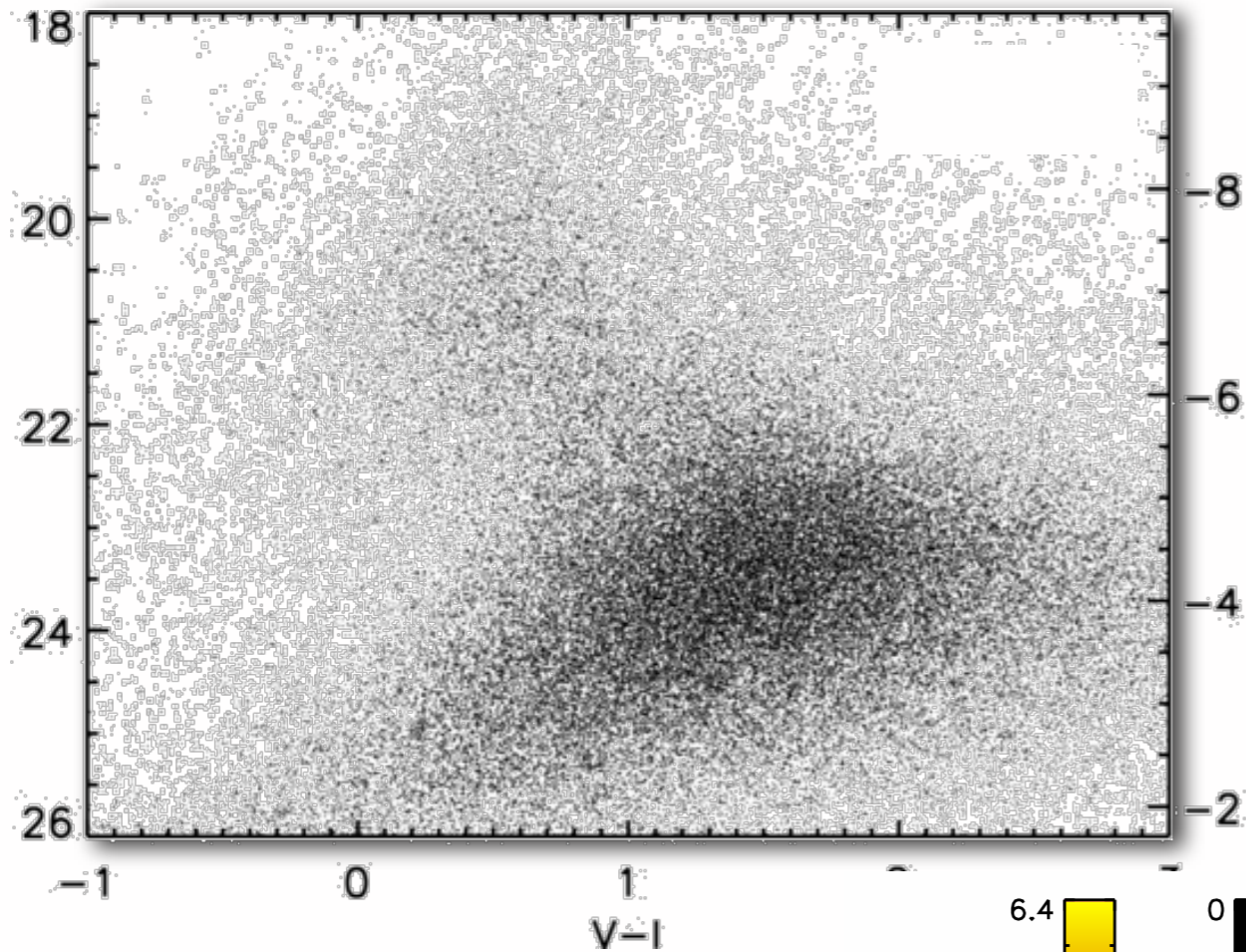


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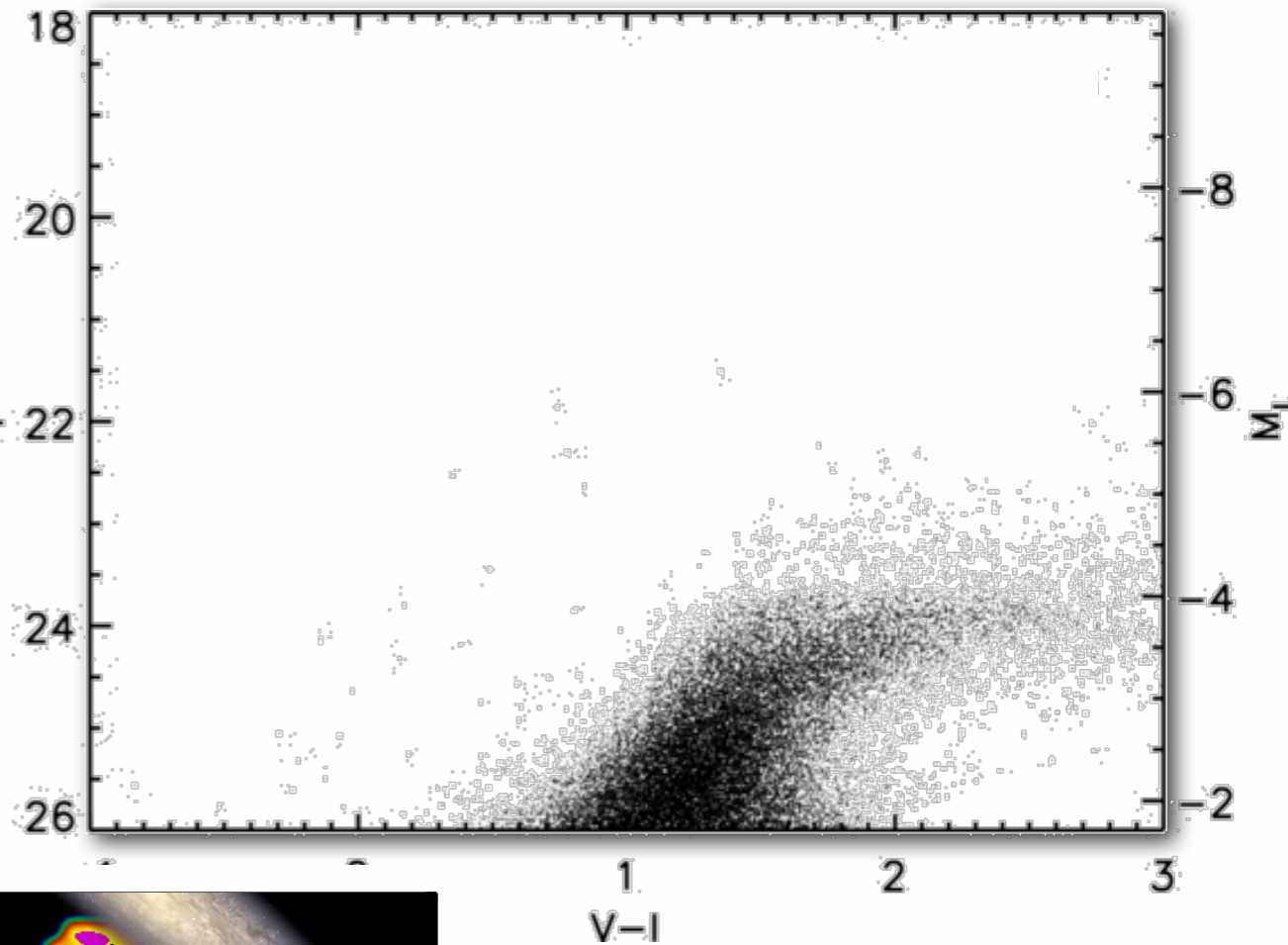
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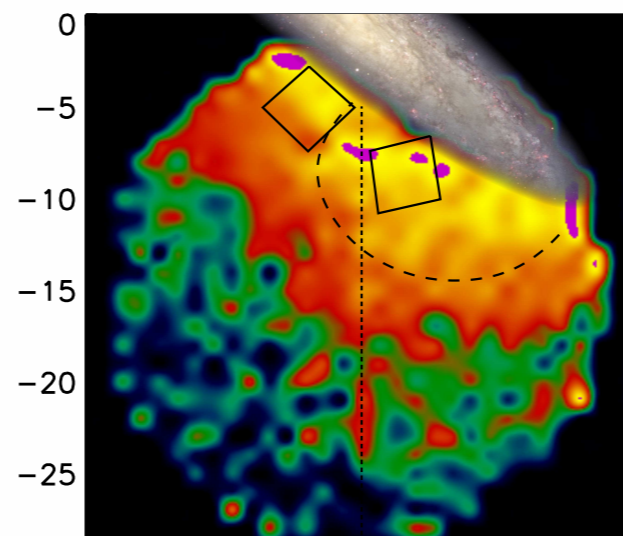
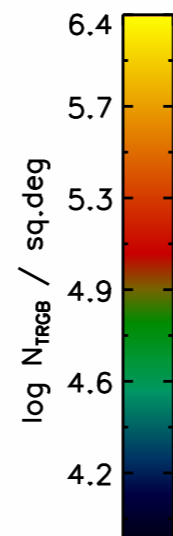
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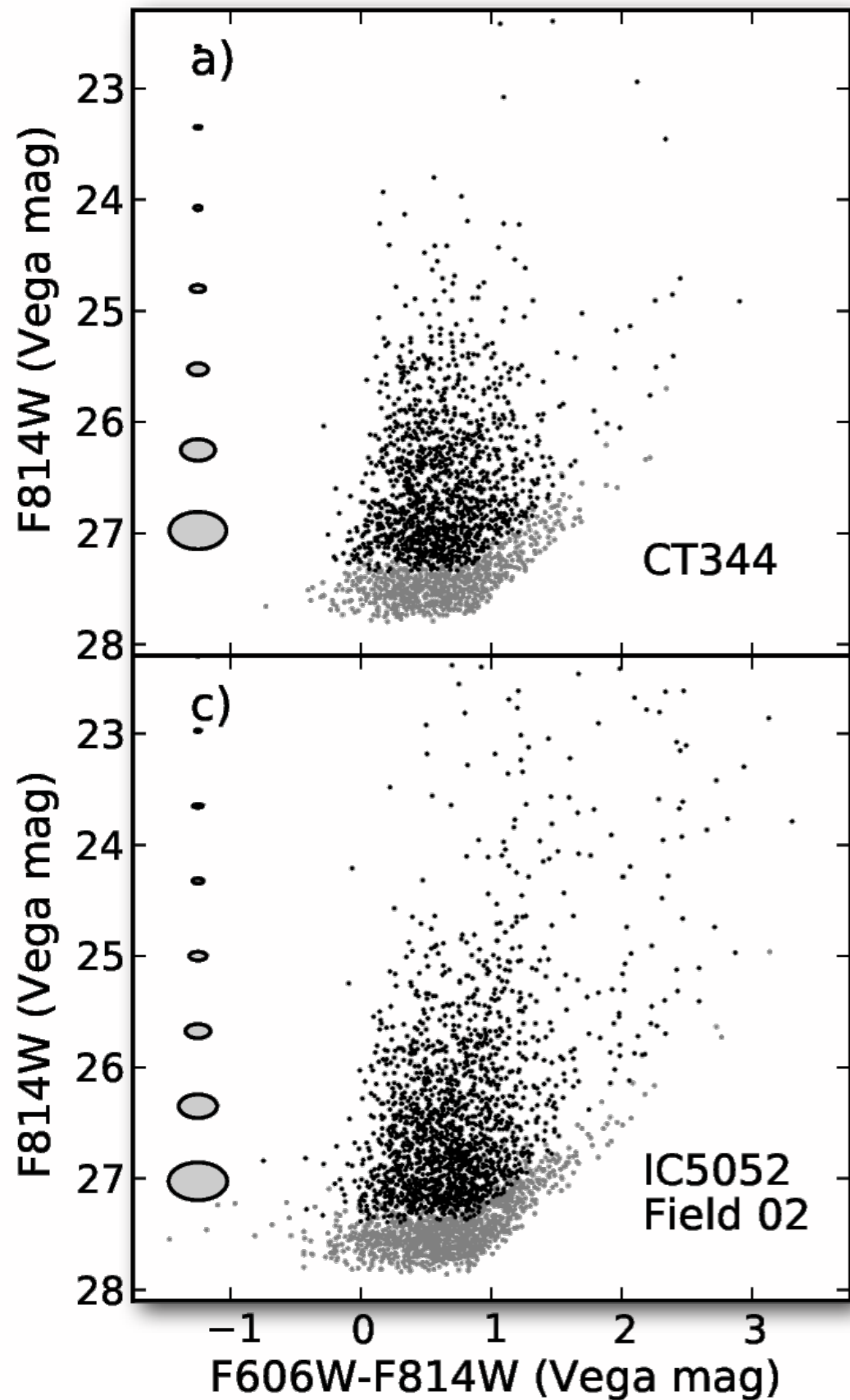


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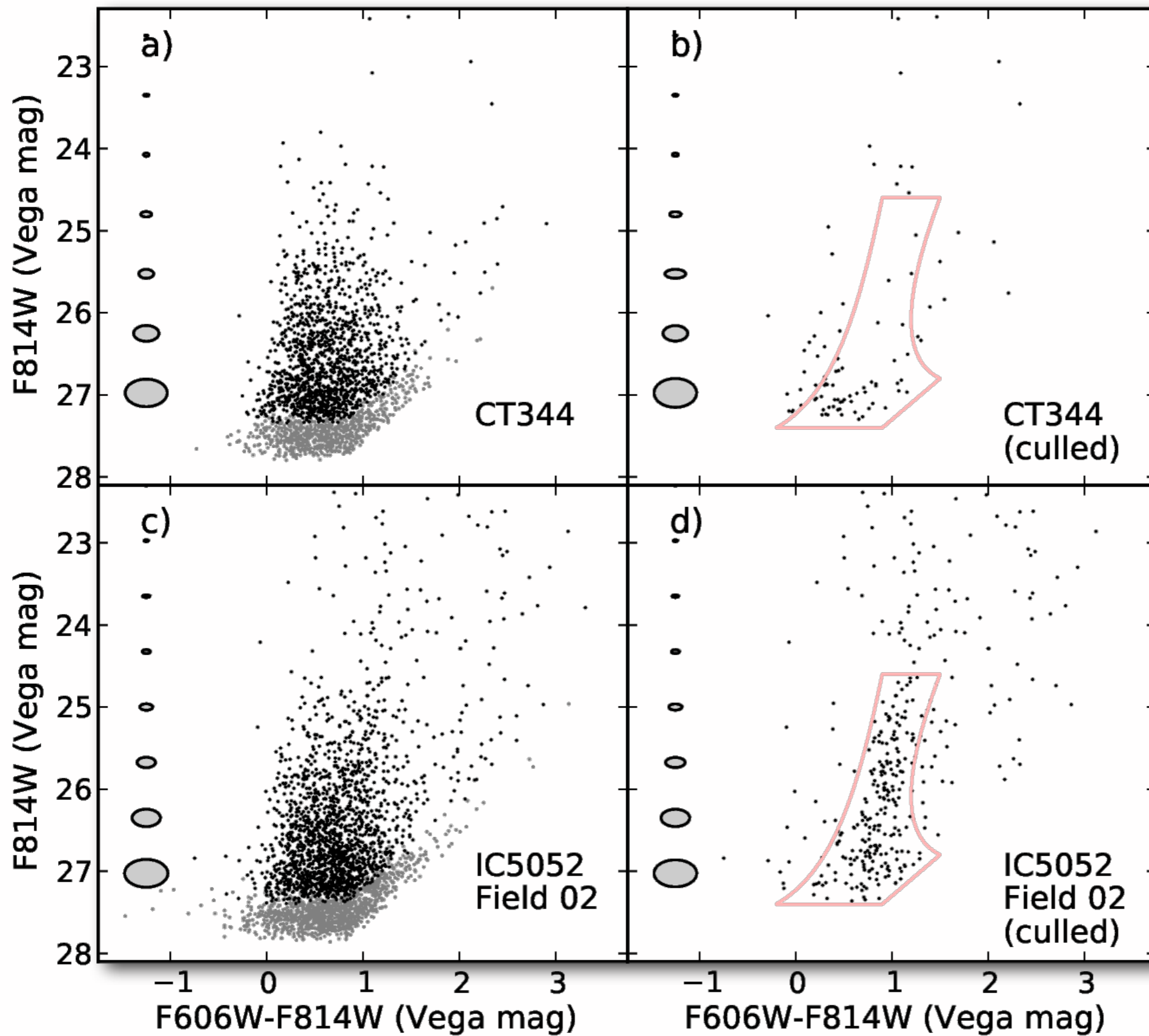
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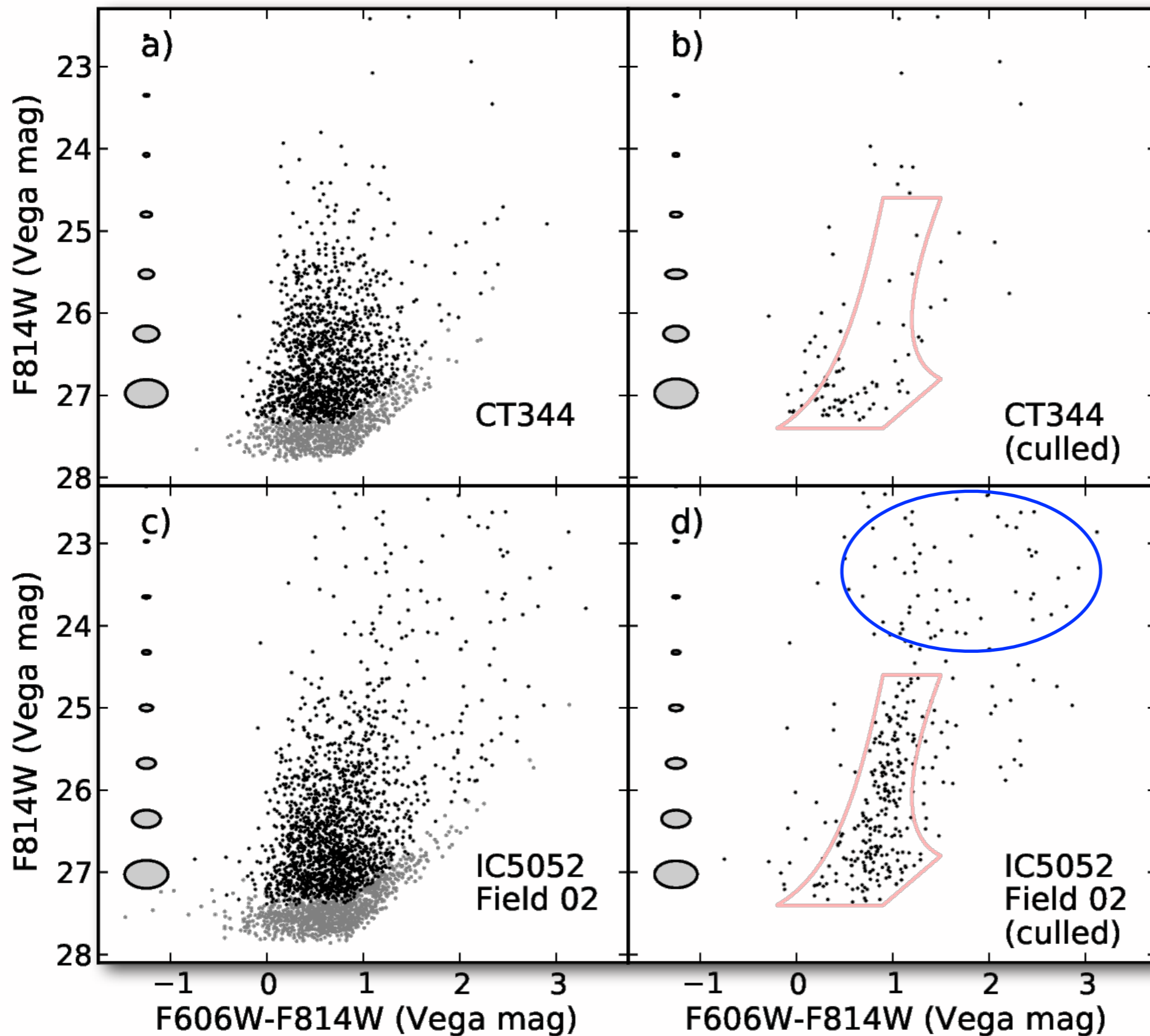
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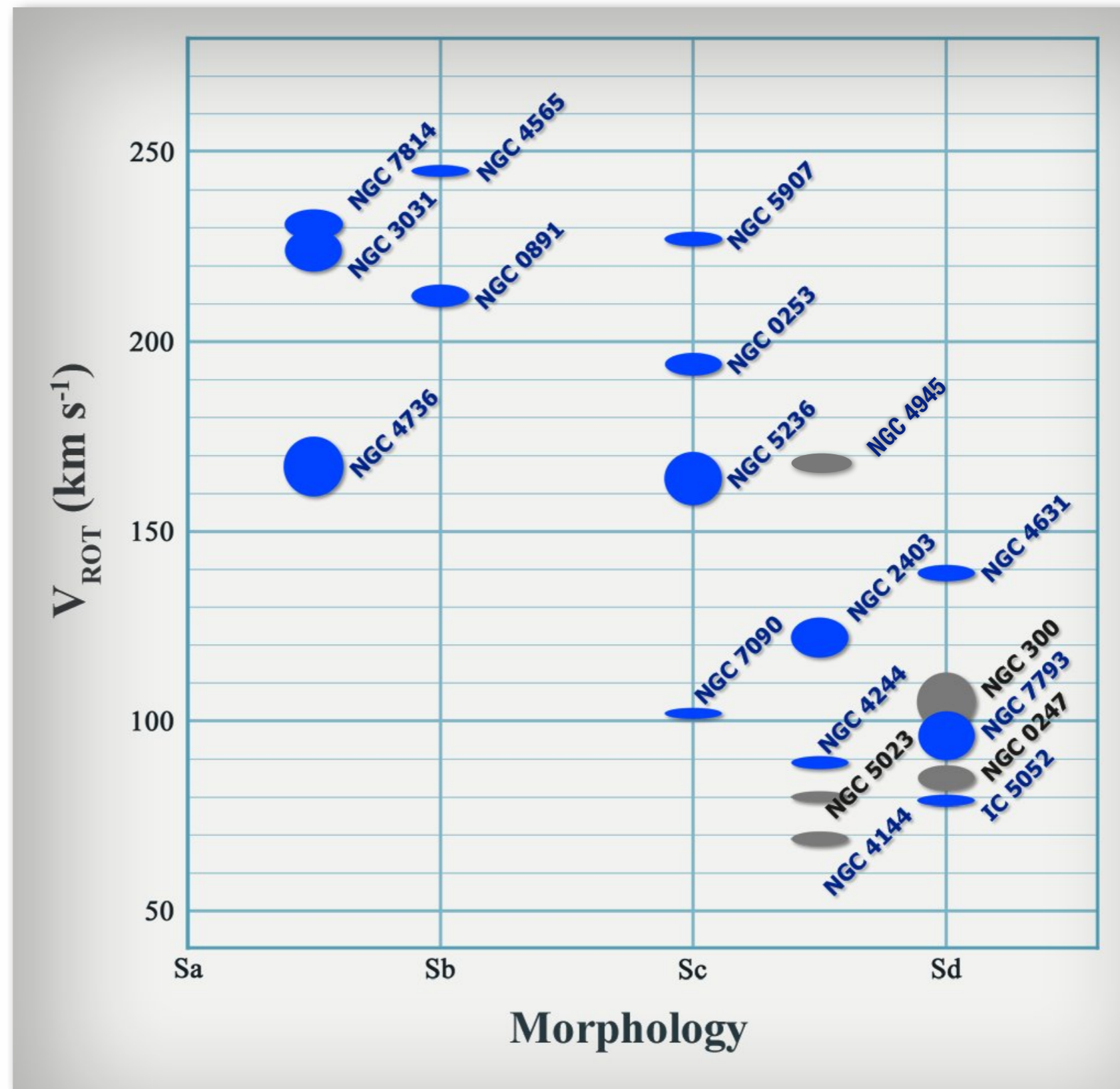
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**MW halo foreground
Radburn-Smith in prep.**

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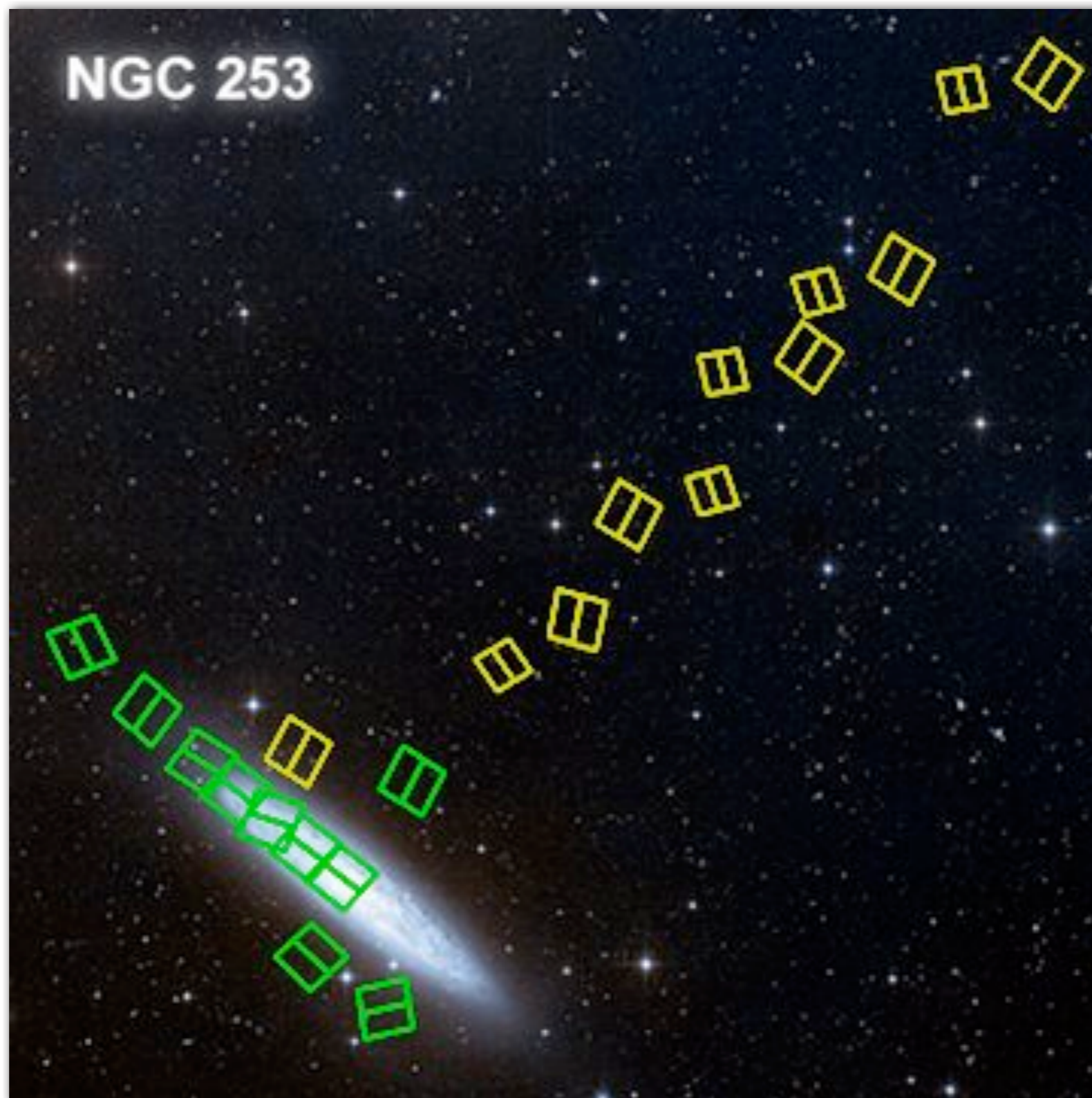
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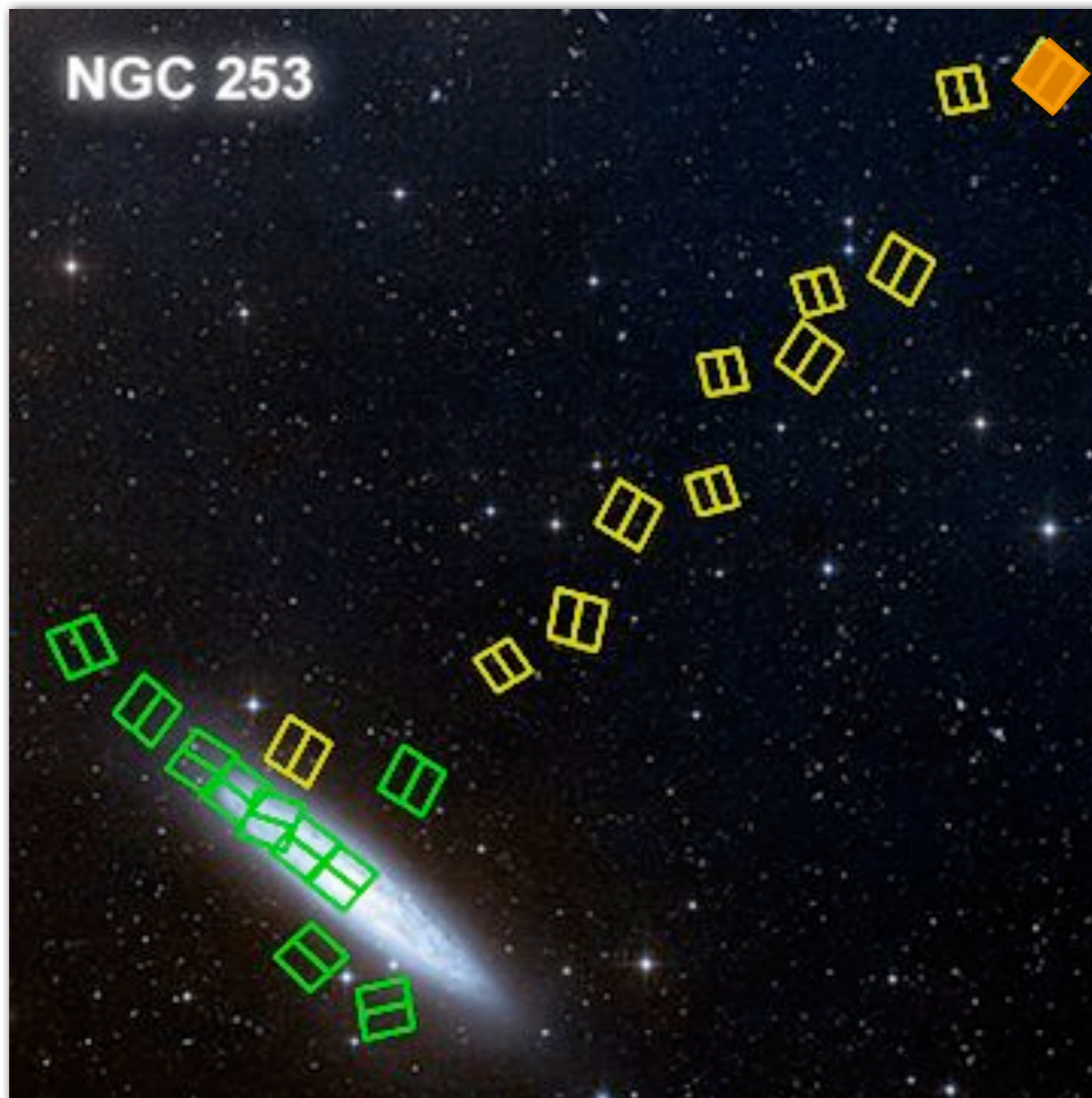
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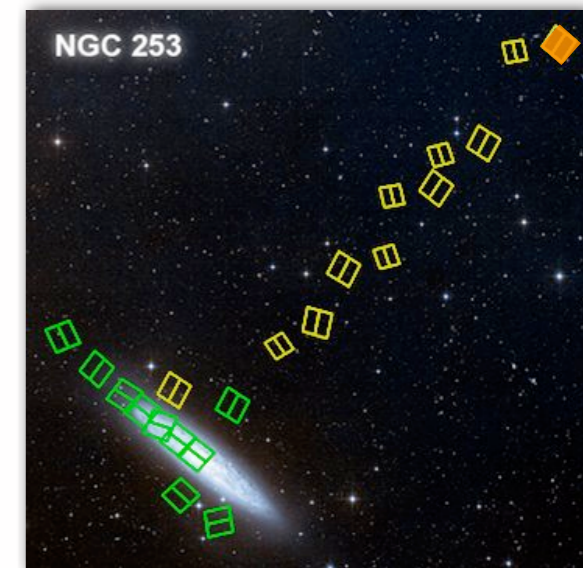
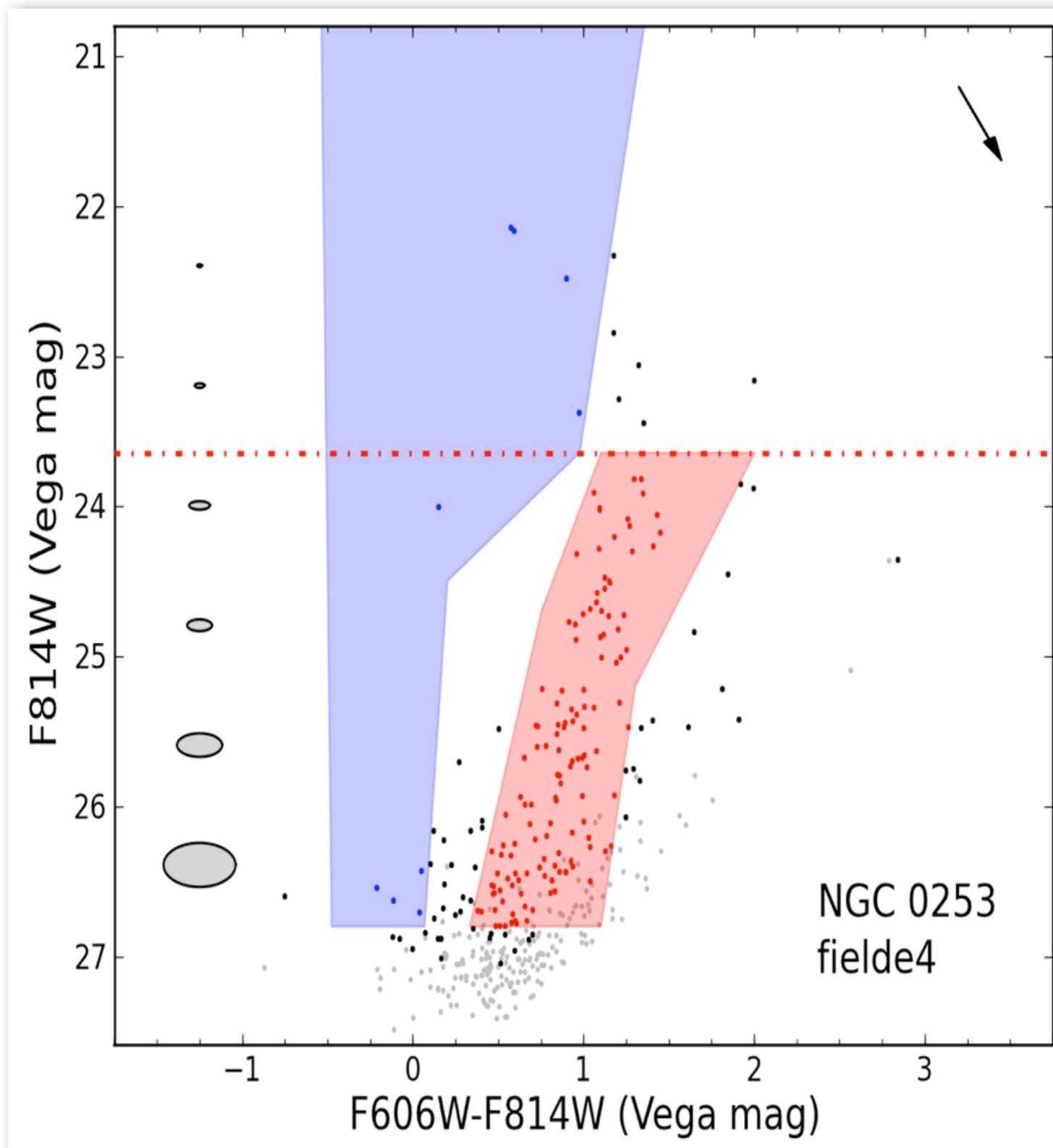
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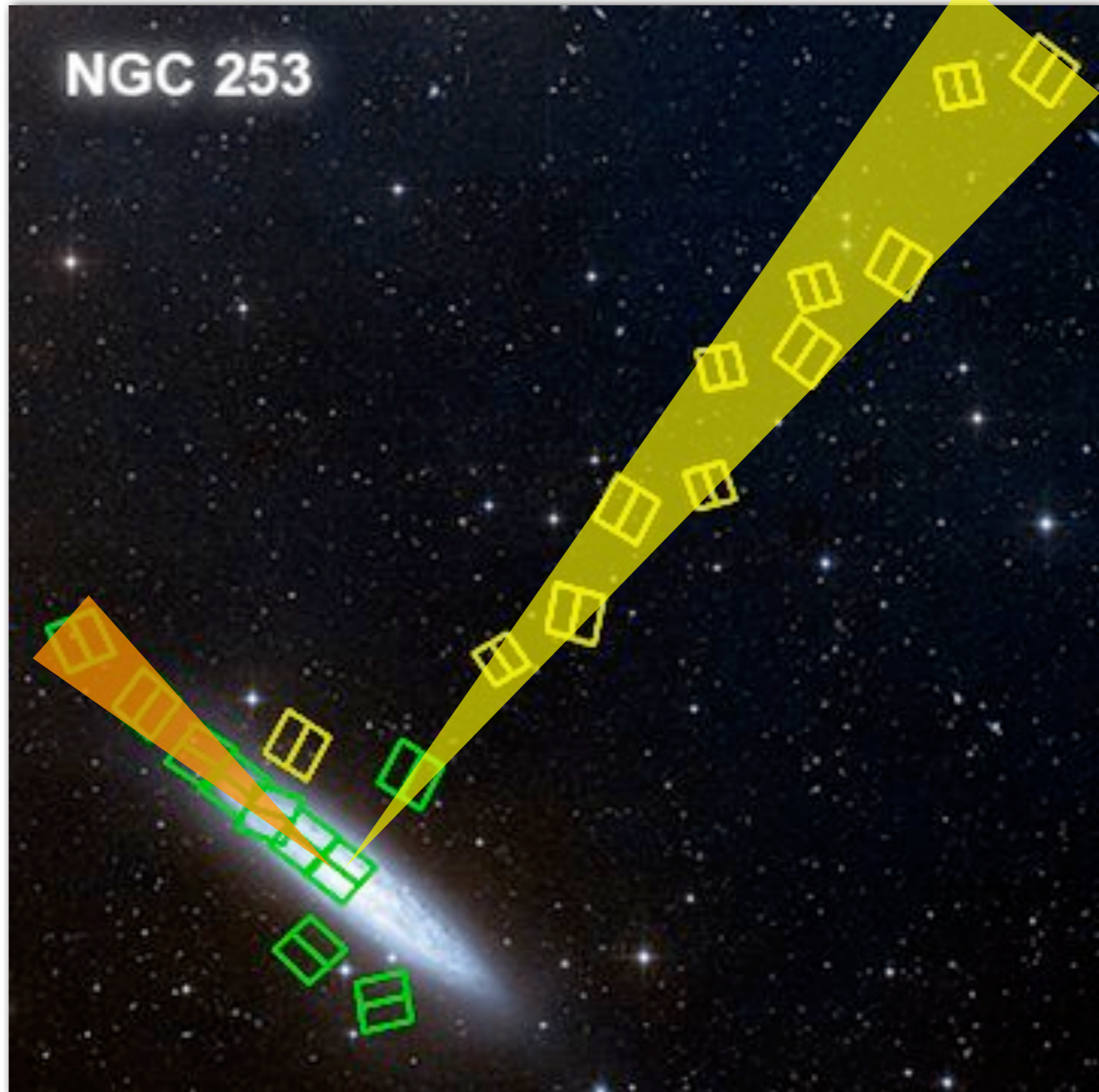
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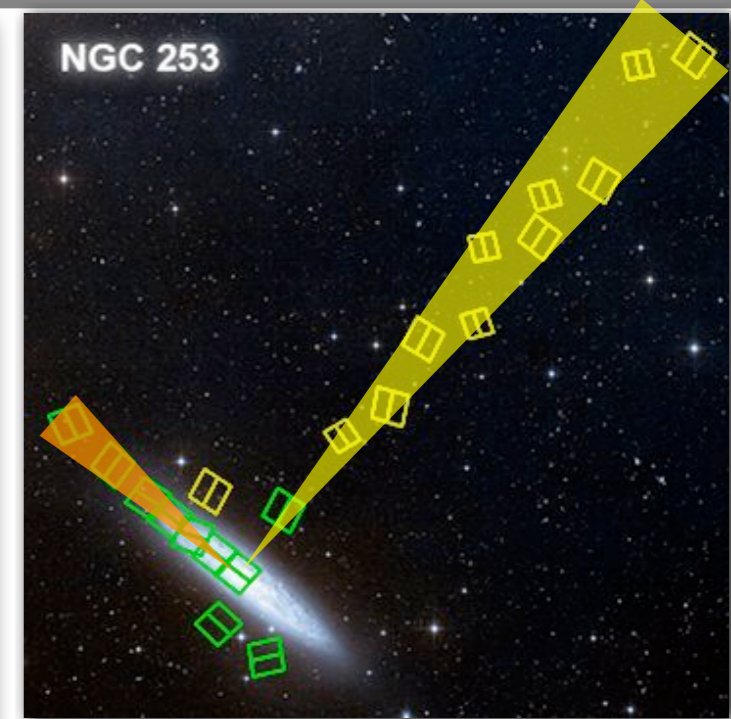
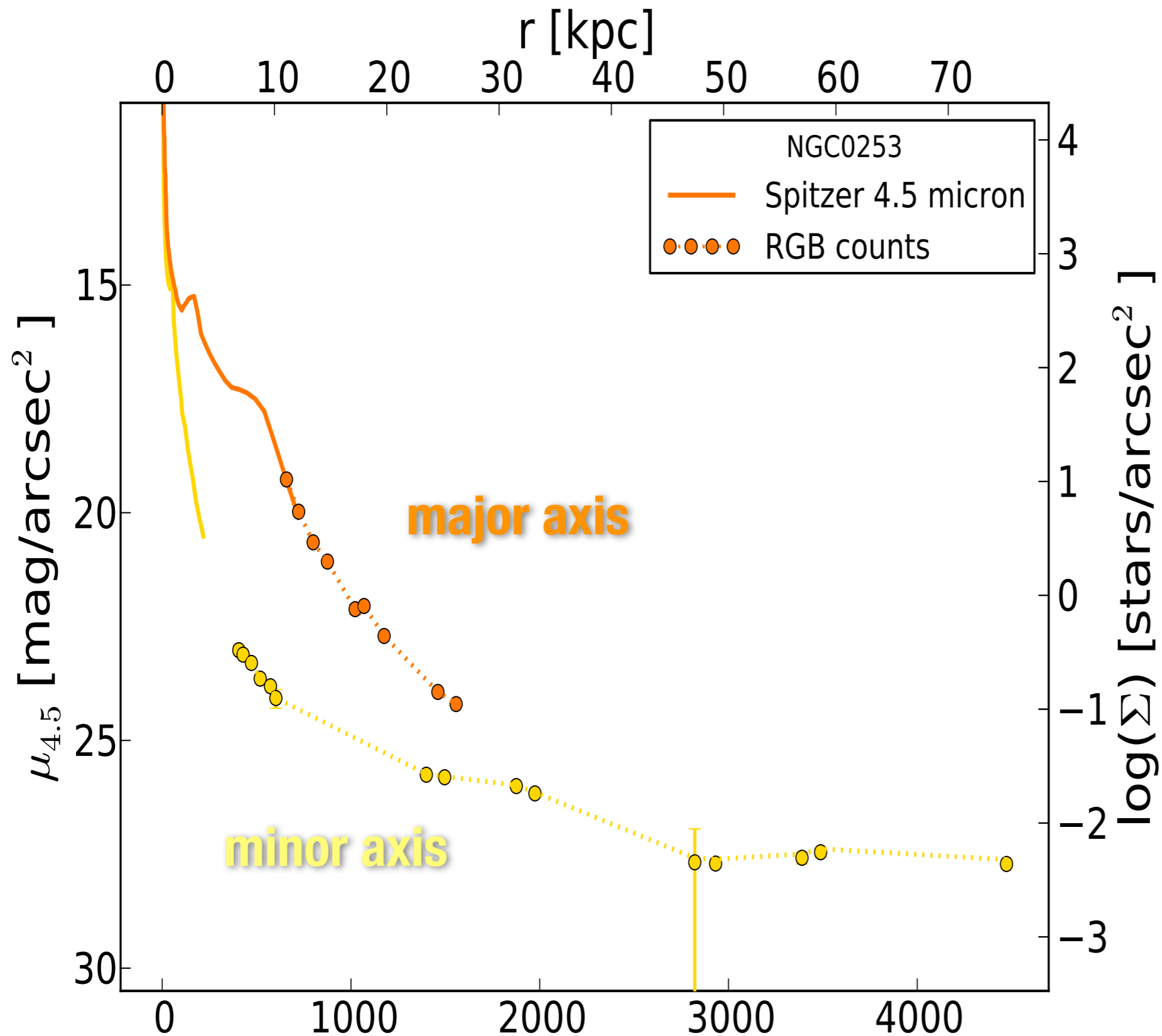
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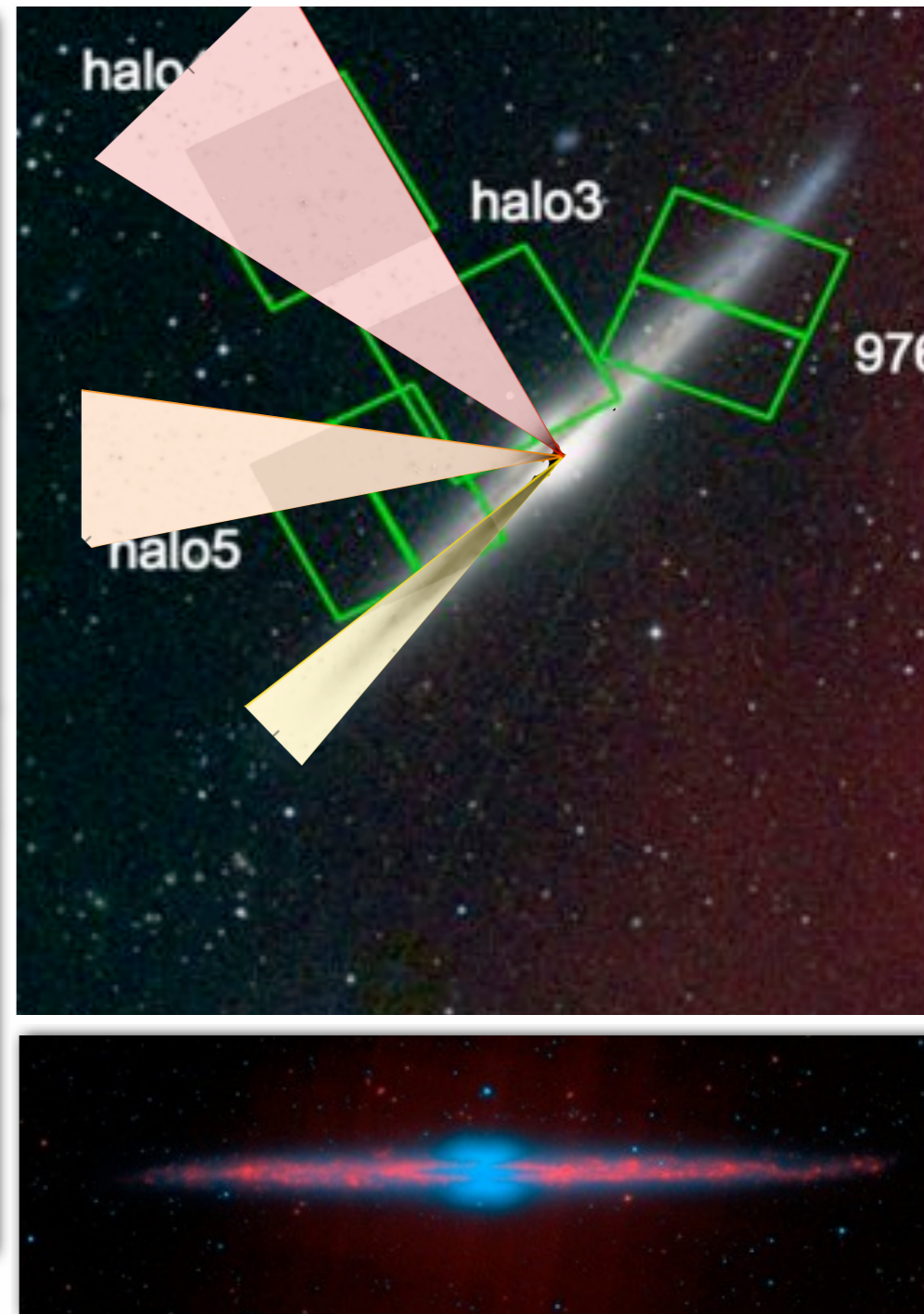
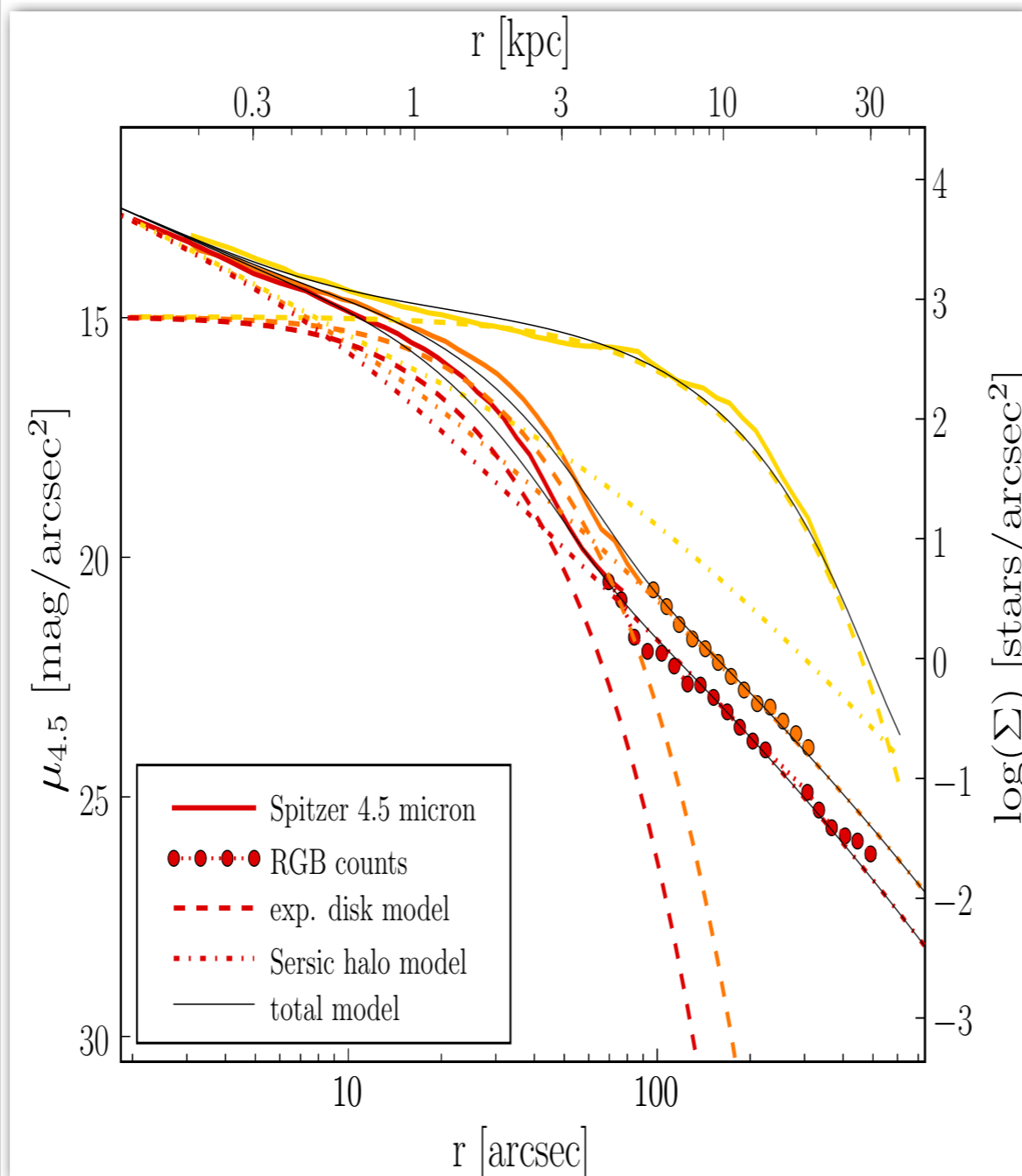


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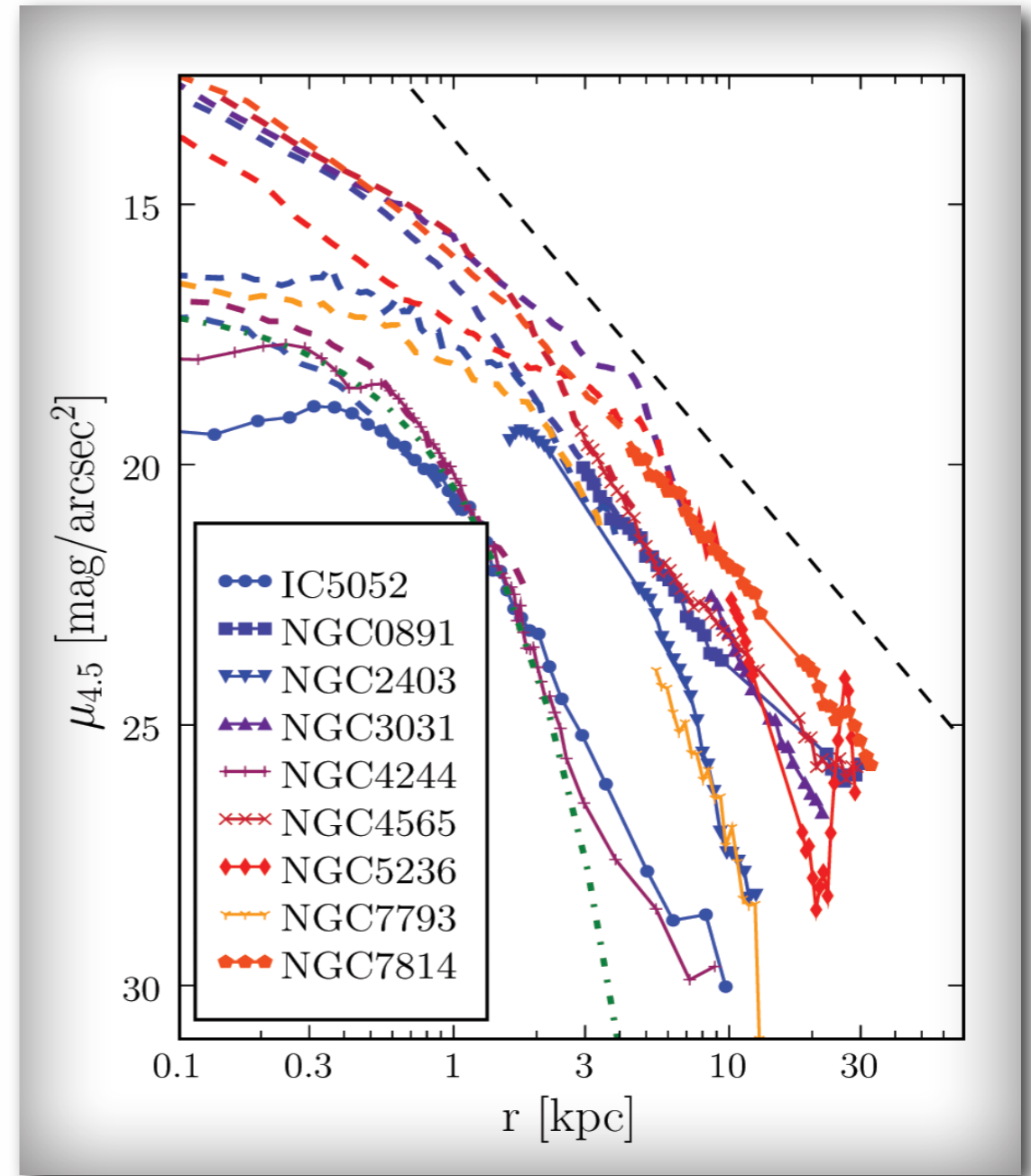
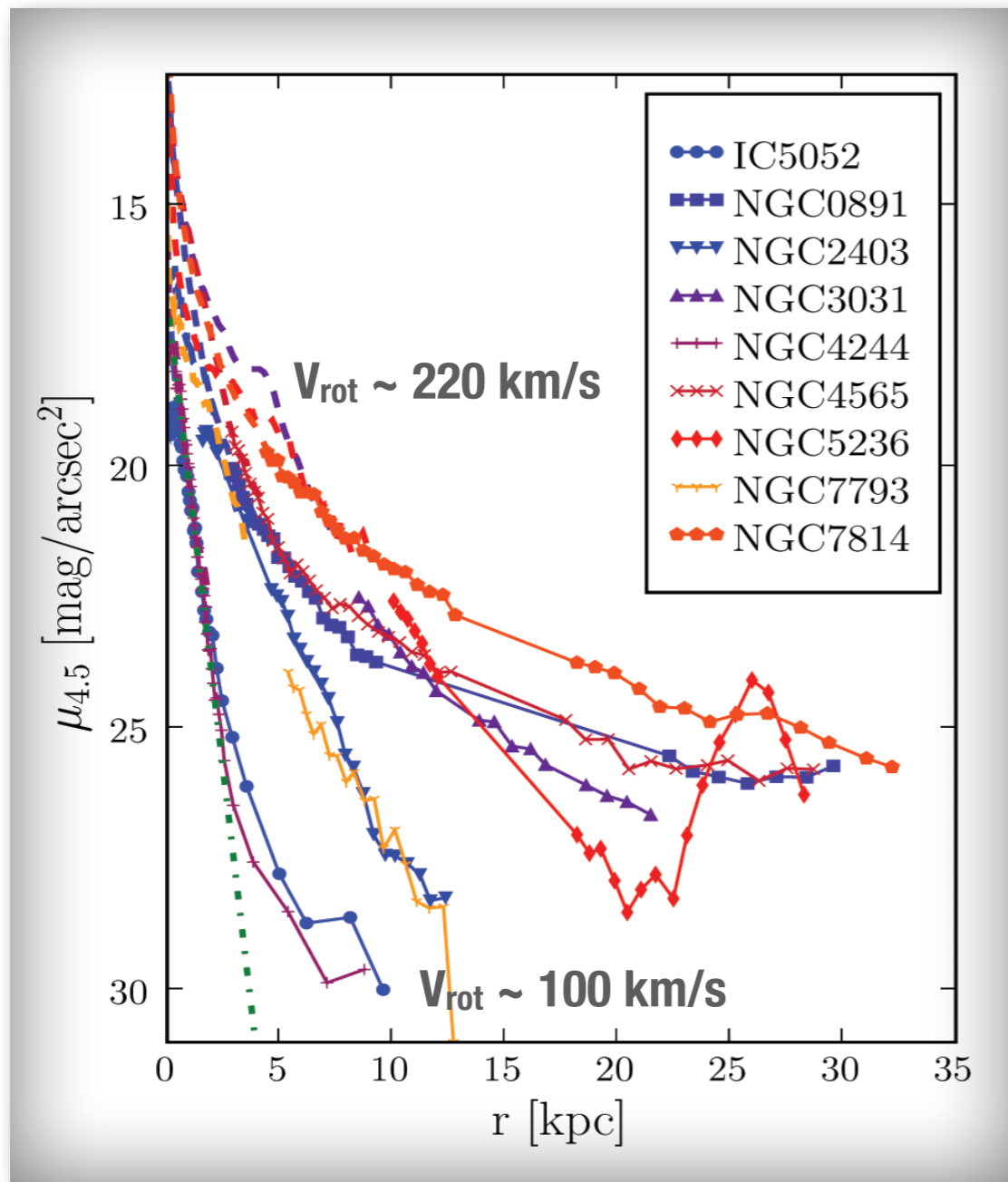
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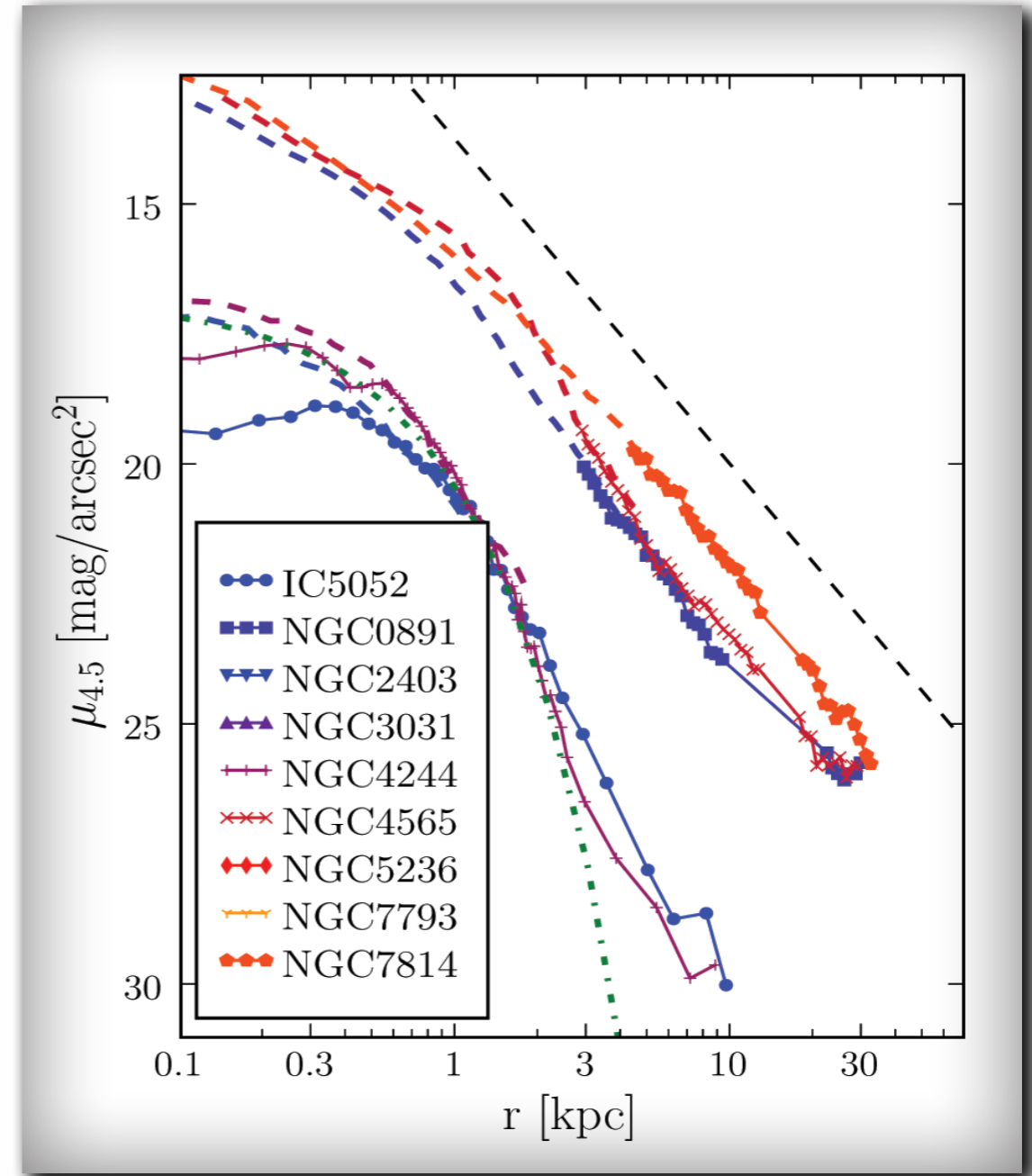
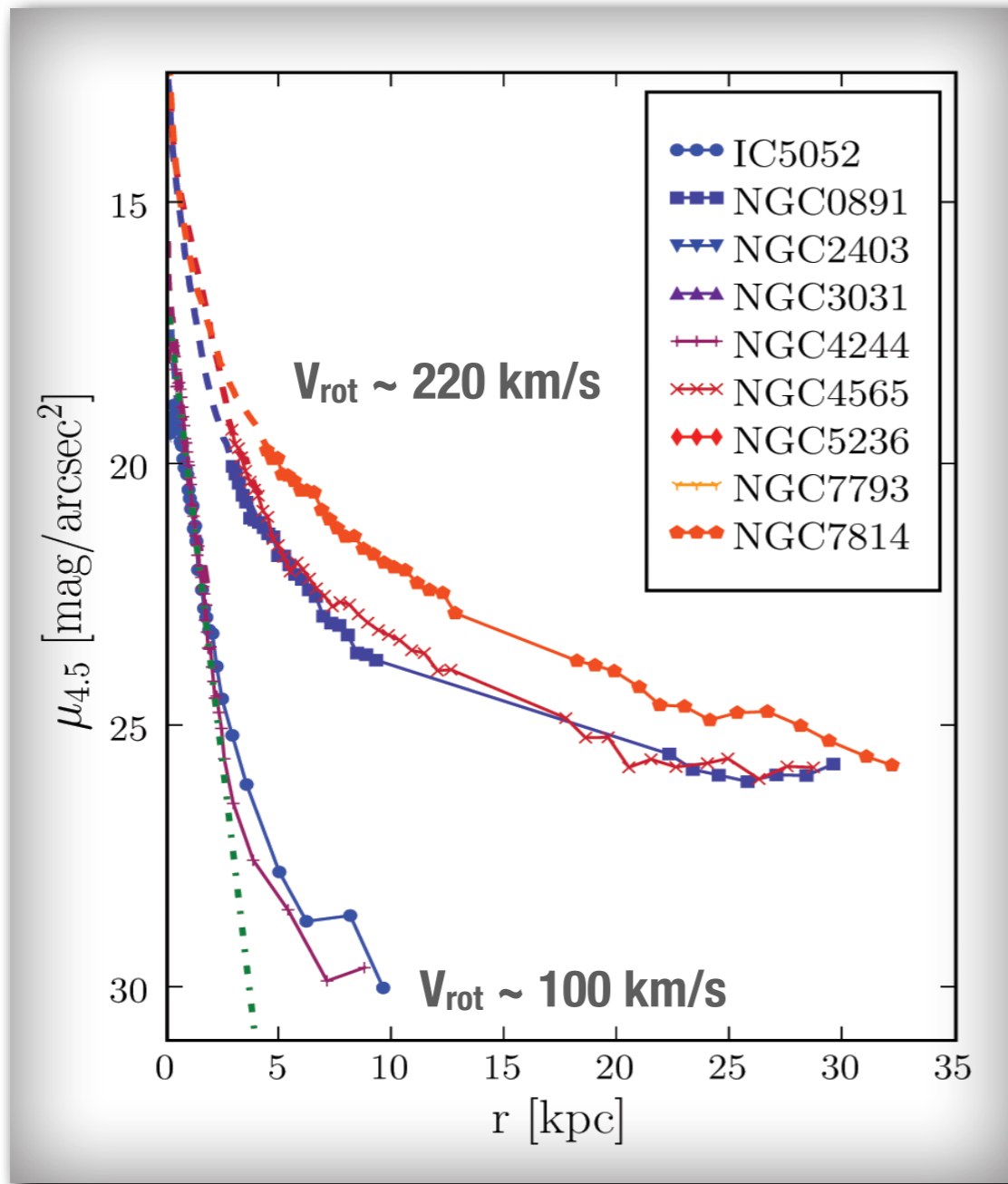
- Most galaxies fitted with single Sersic spheroid and exponential disk

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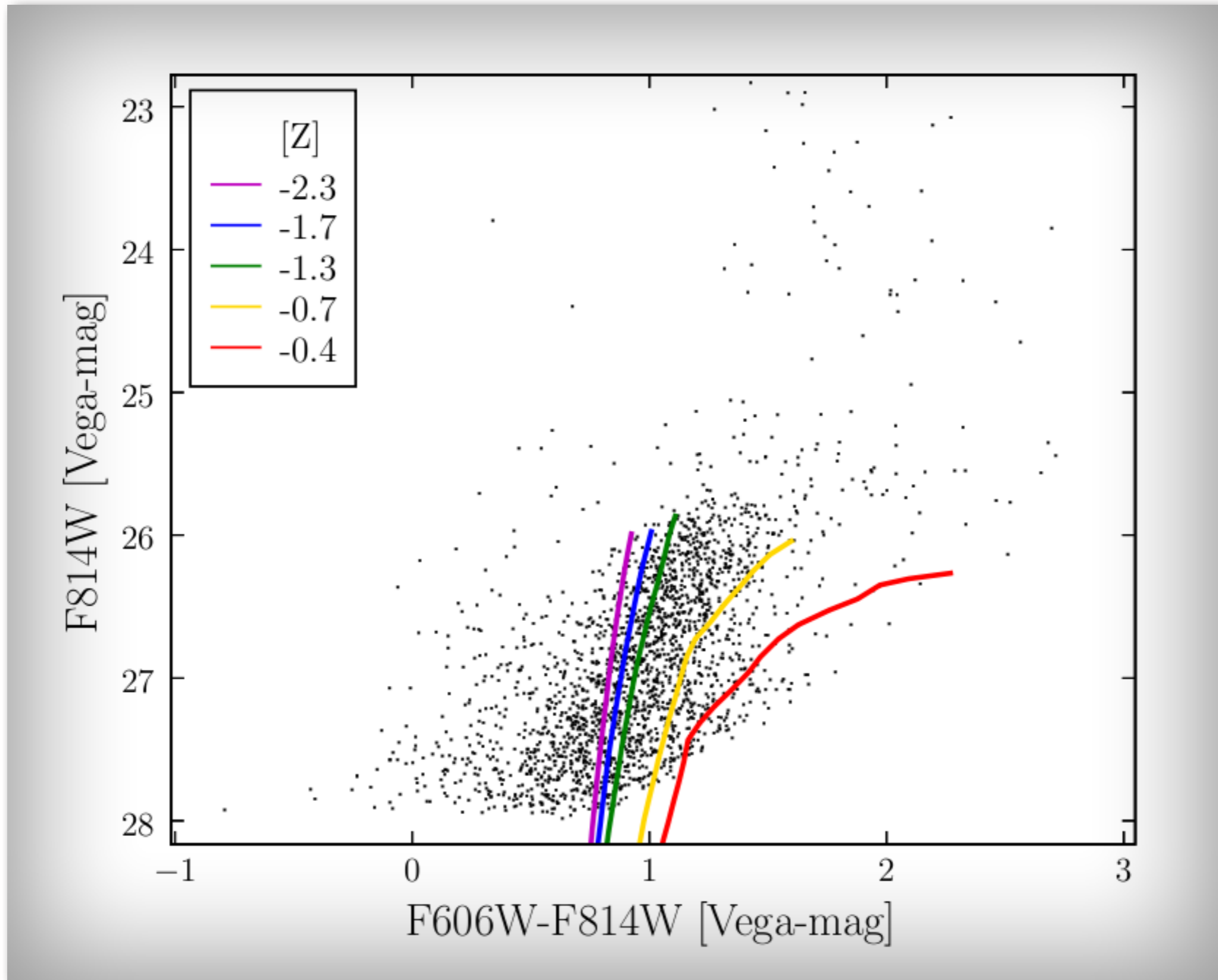
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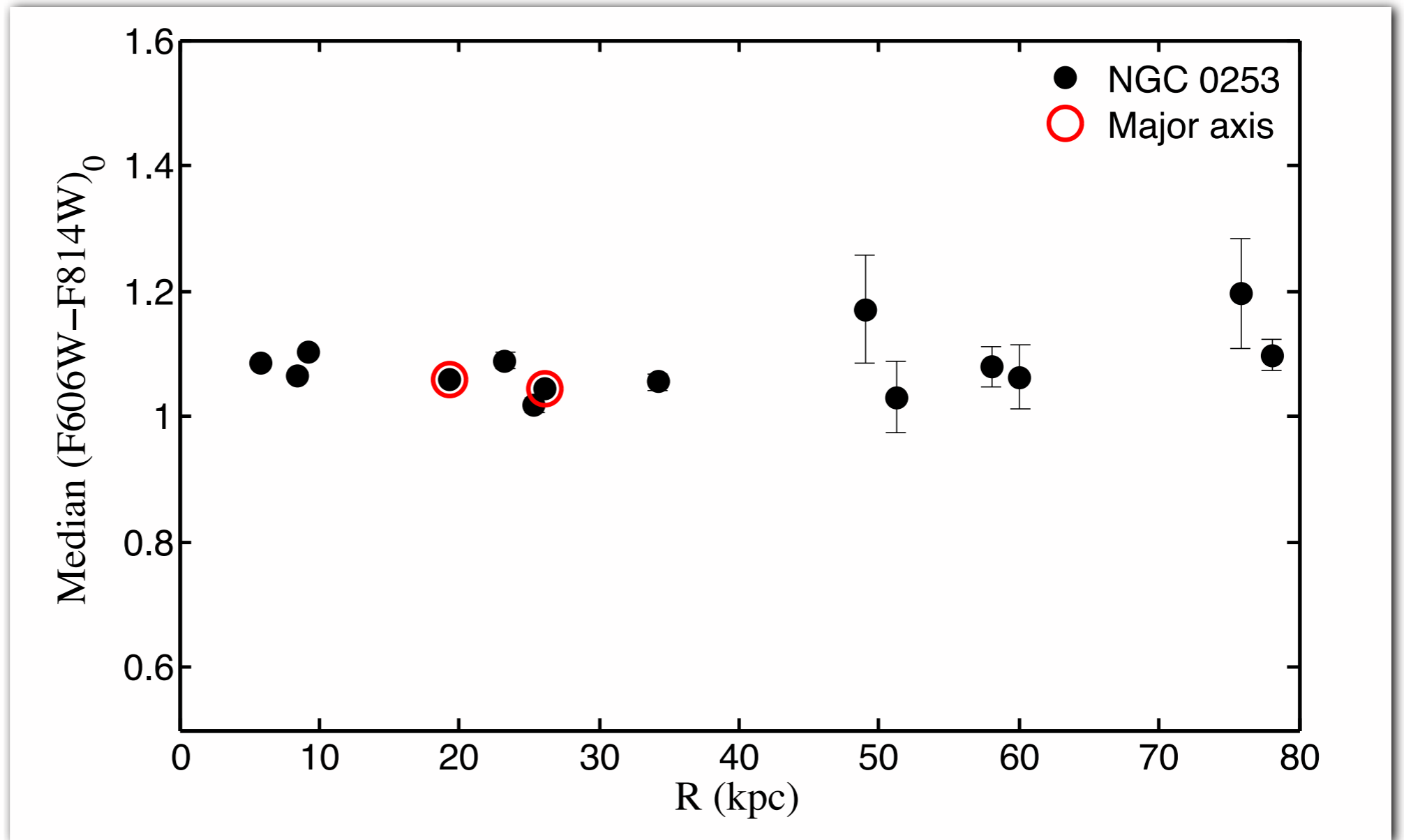
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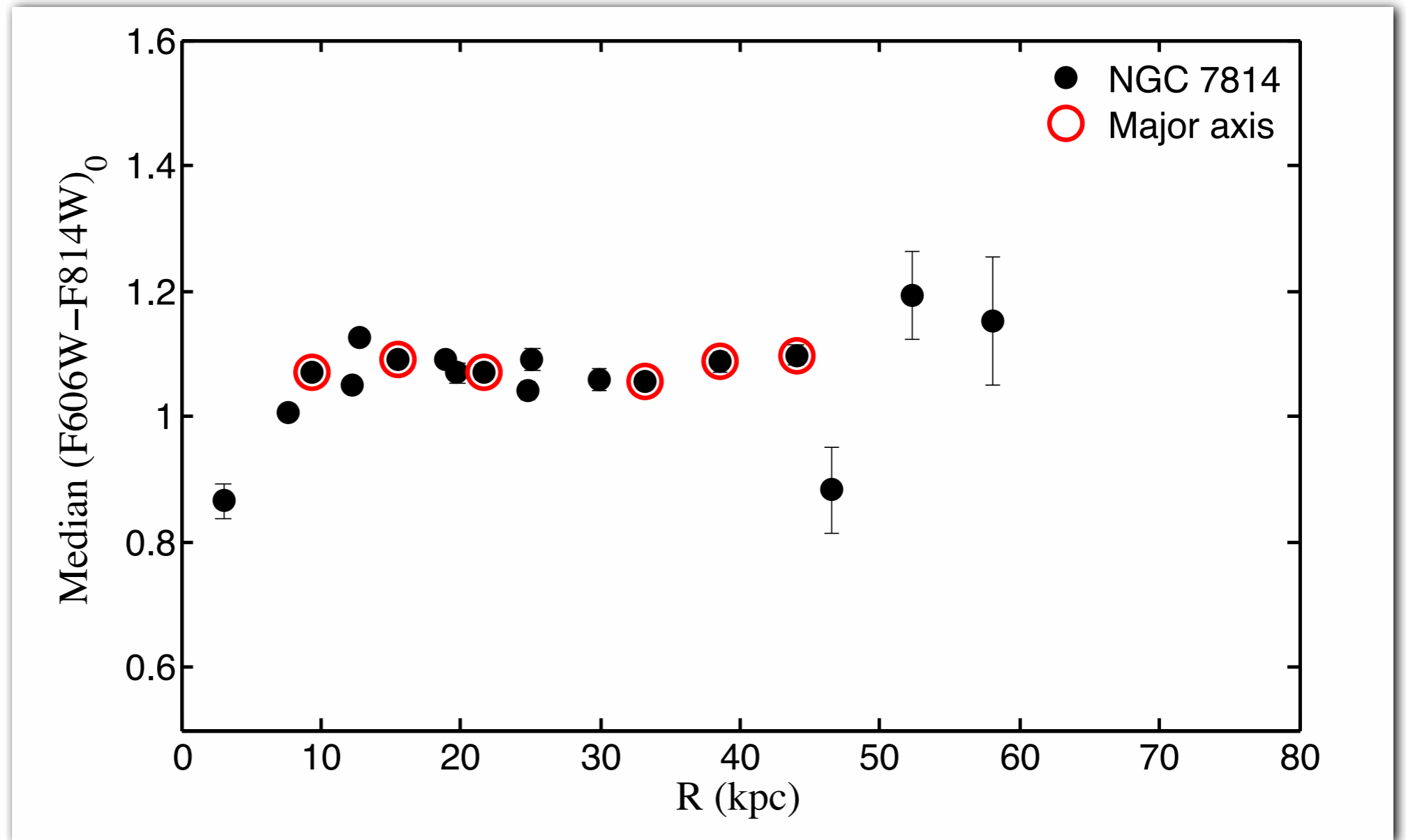
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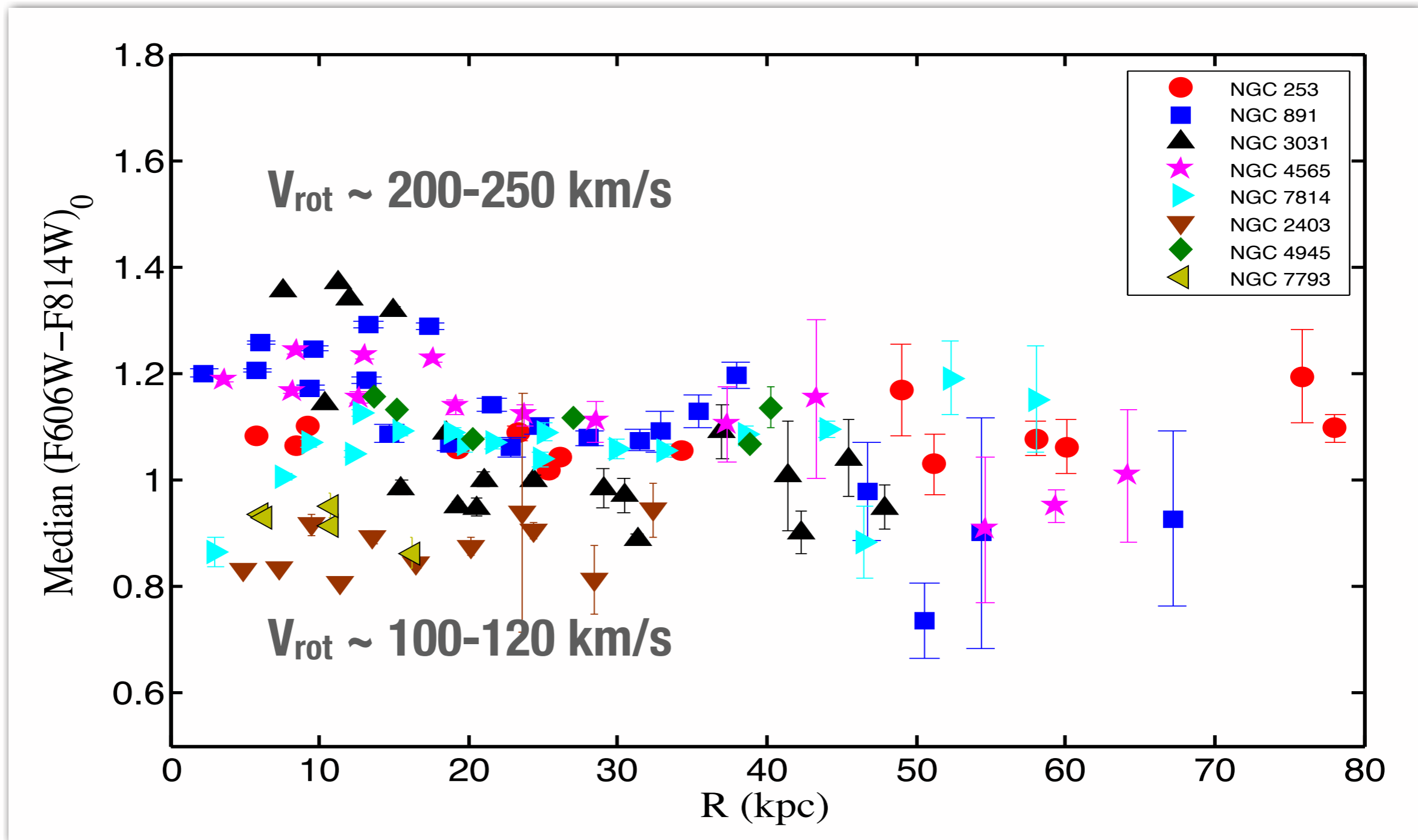


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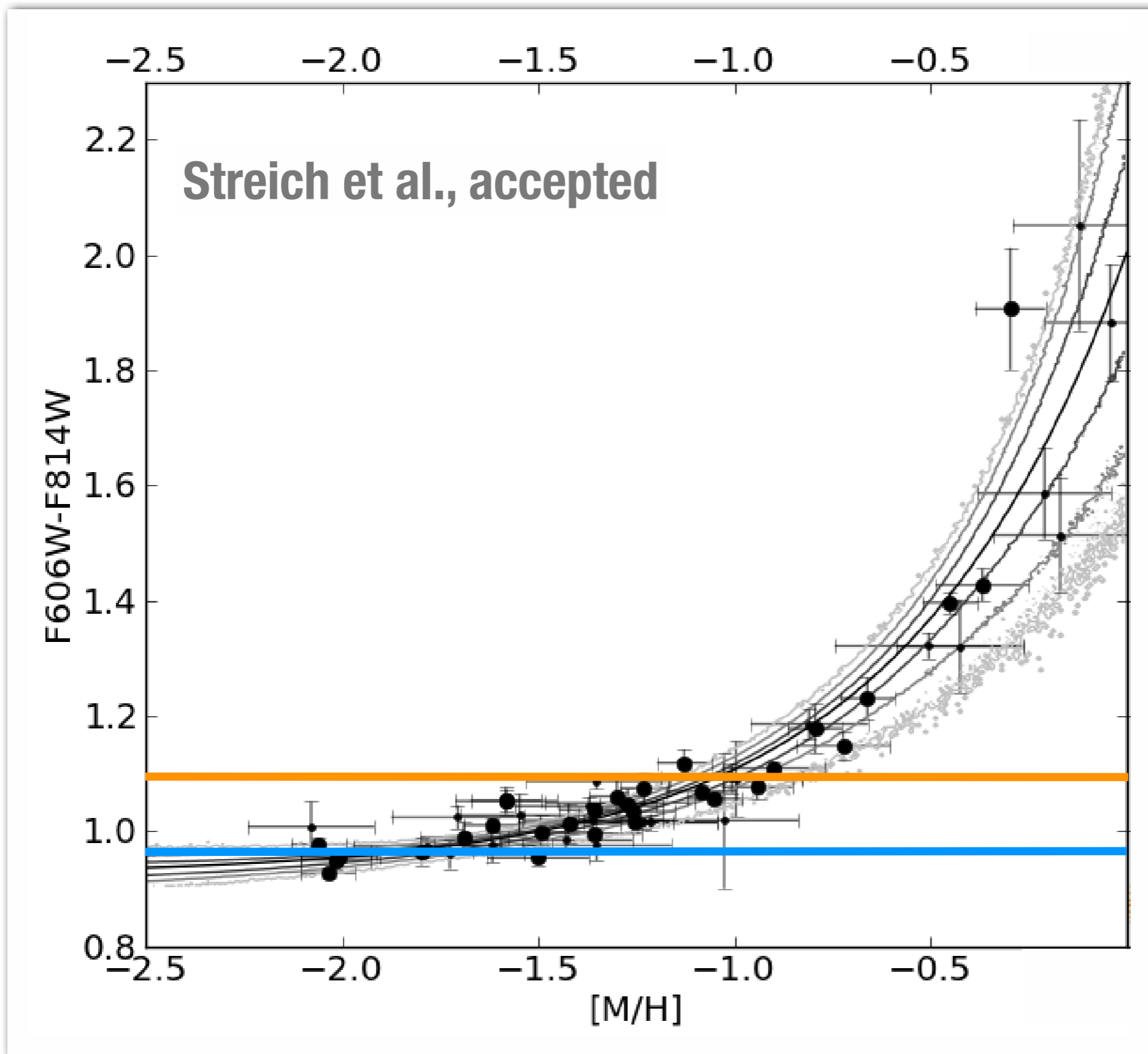
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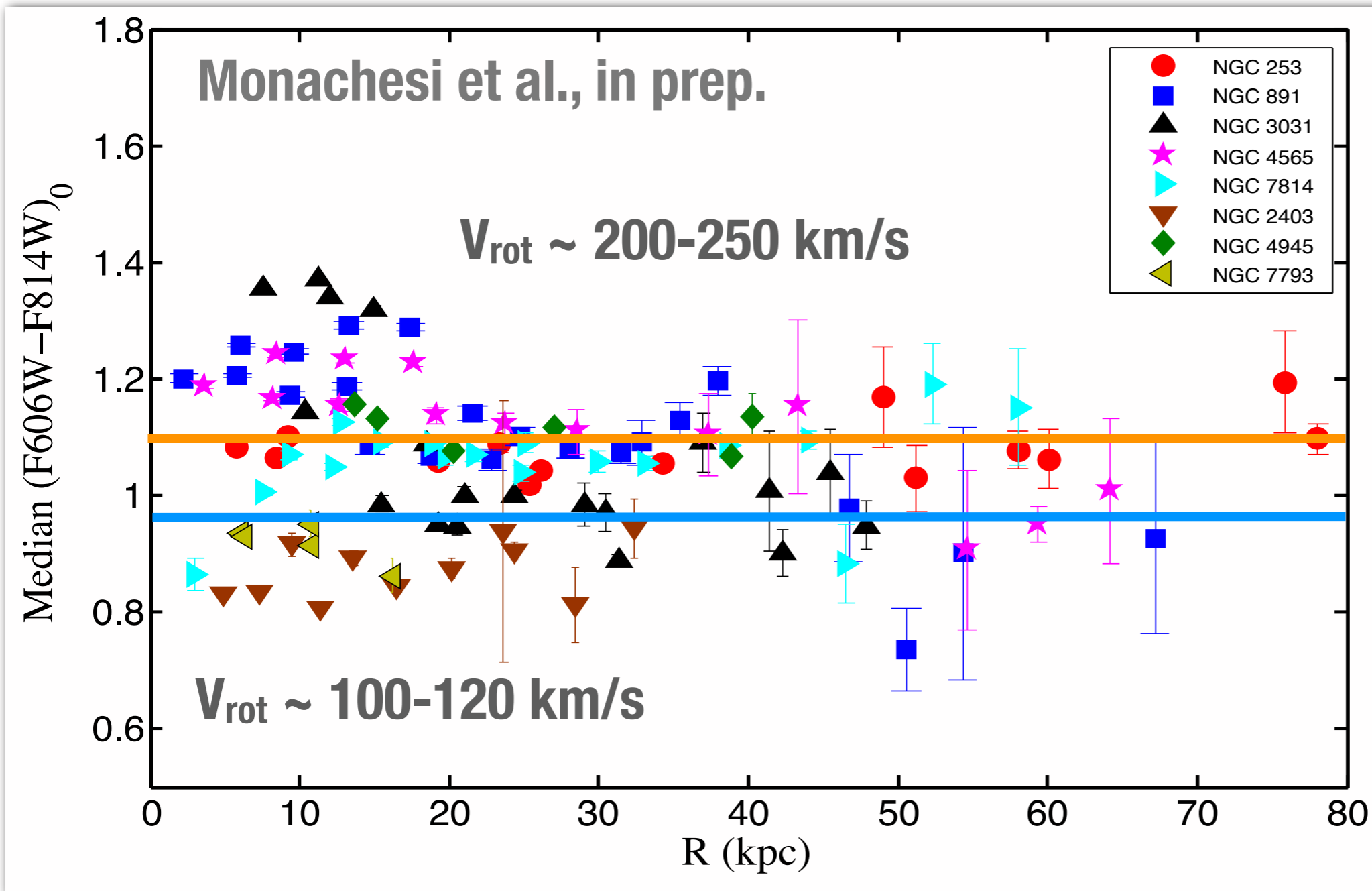
GHOSTS MW Globular Clusters



$[Fe/H] \sim -1.0$

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- Most galaxies no significant color gradients between 20-80 kpc
- RGB halos of small galaxies bluer than most metal-poor MW globulars, probably younger population

GHOSTS Stellar Streams & Substructure

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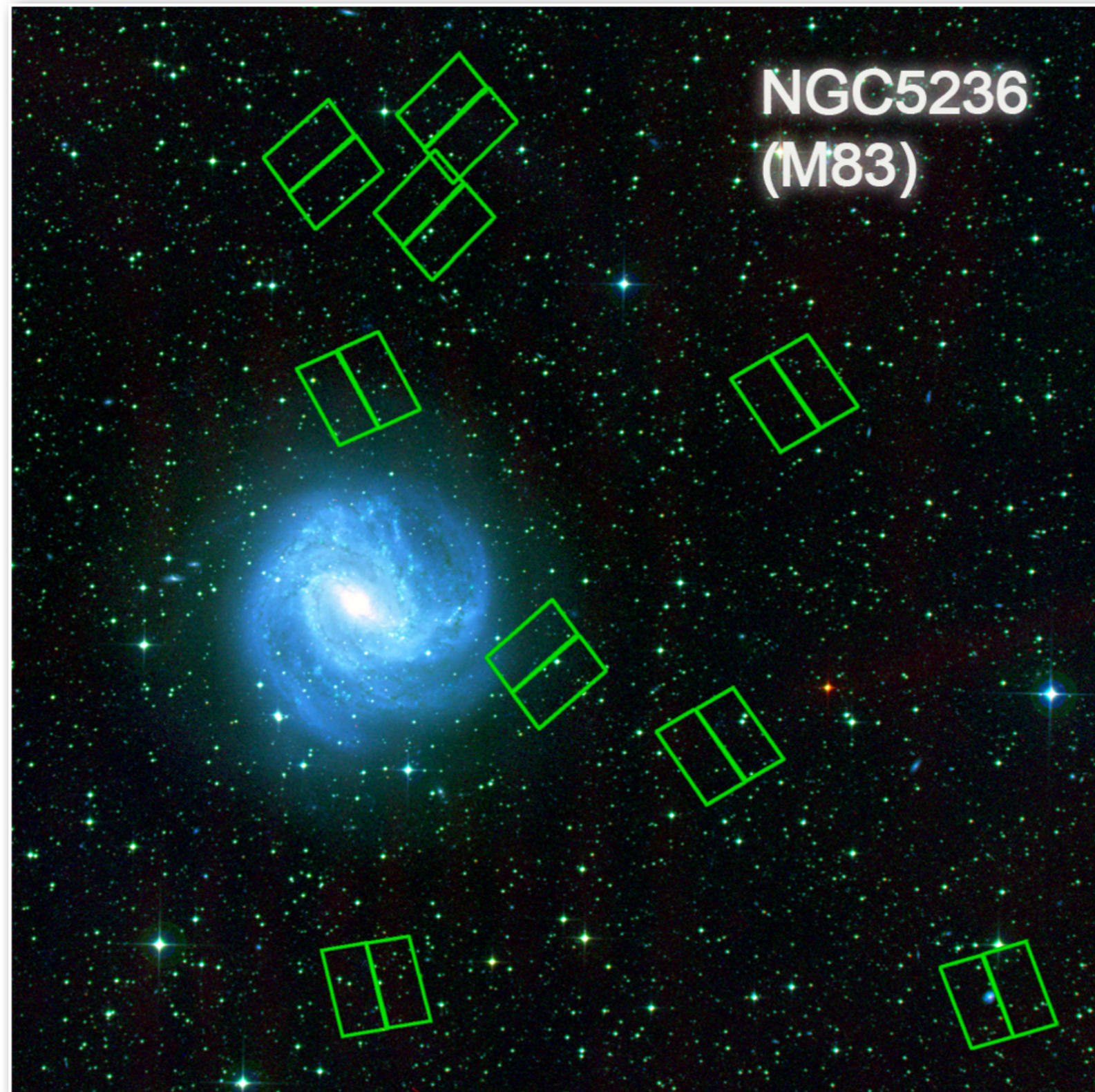
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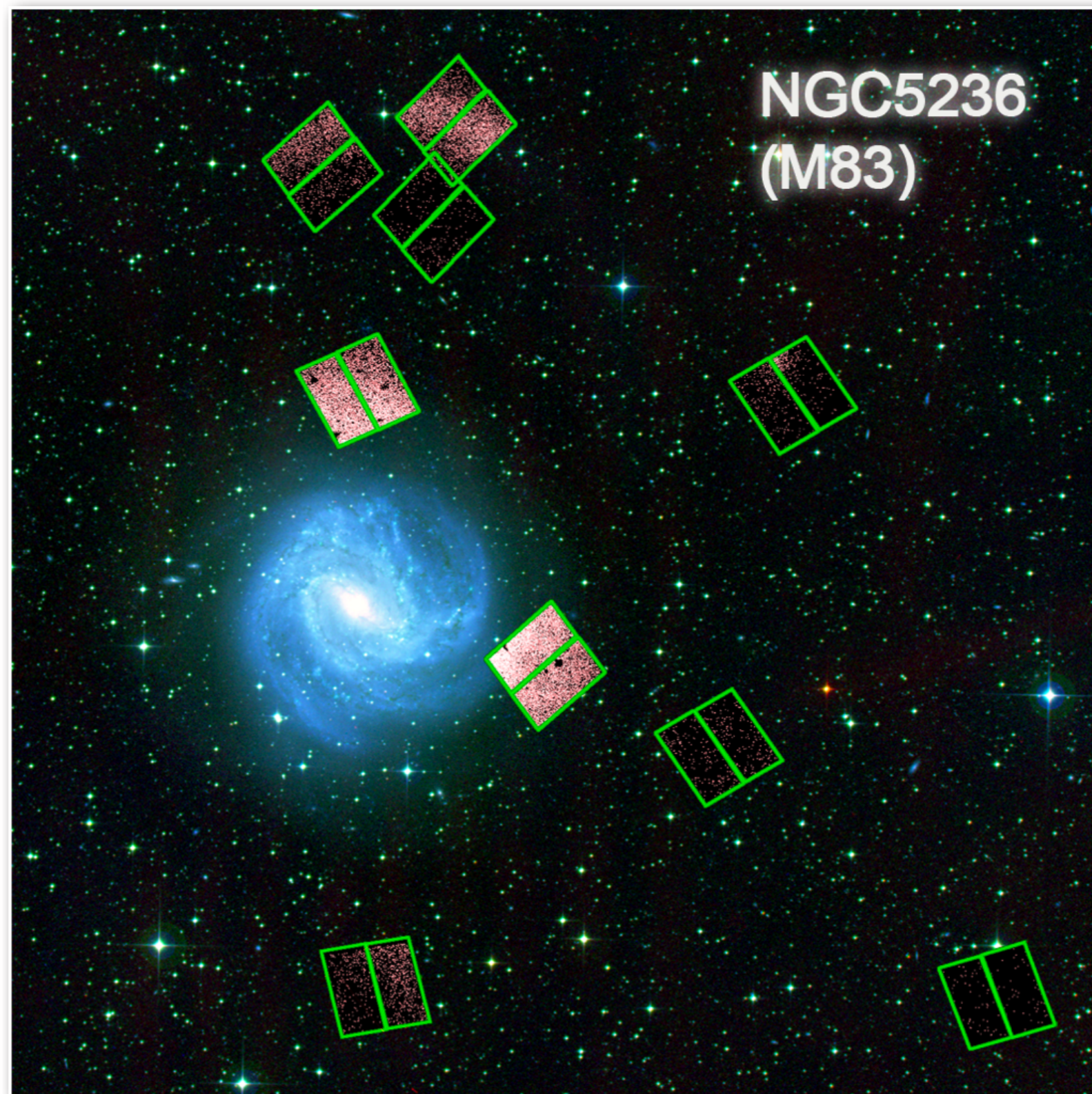
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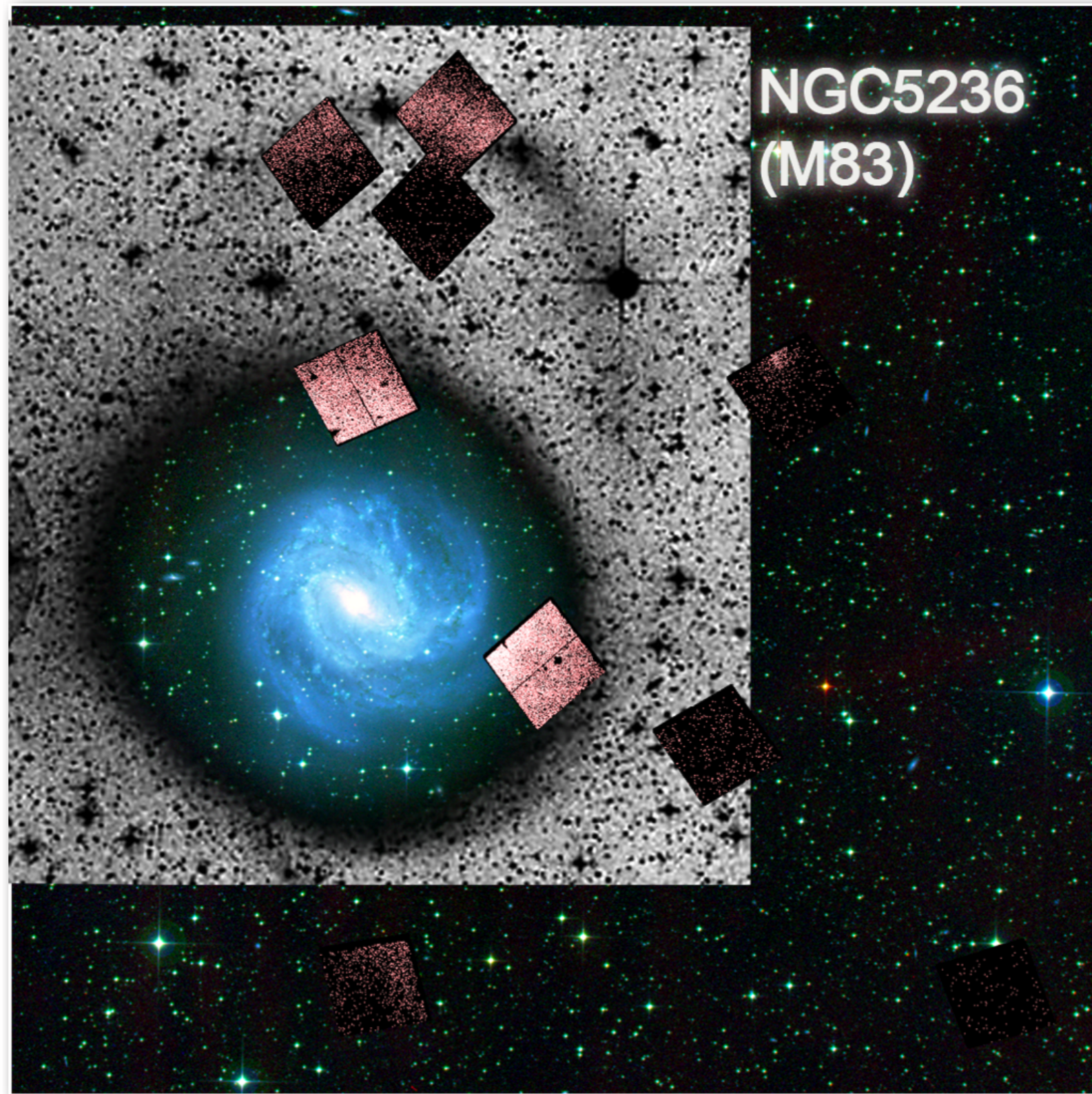
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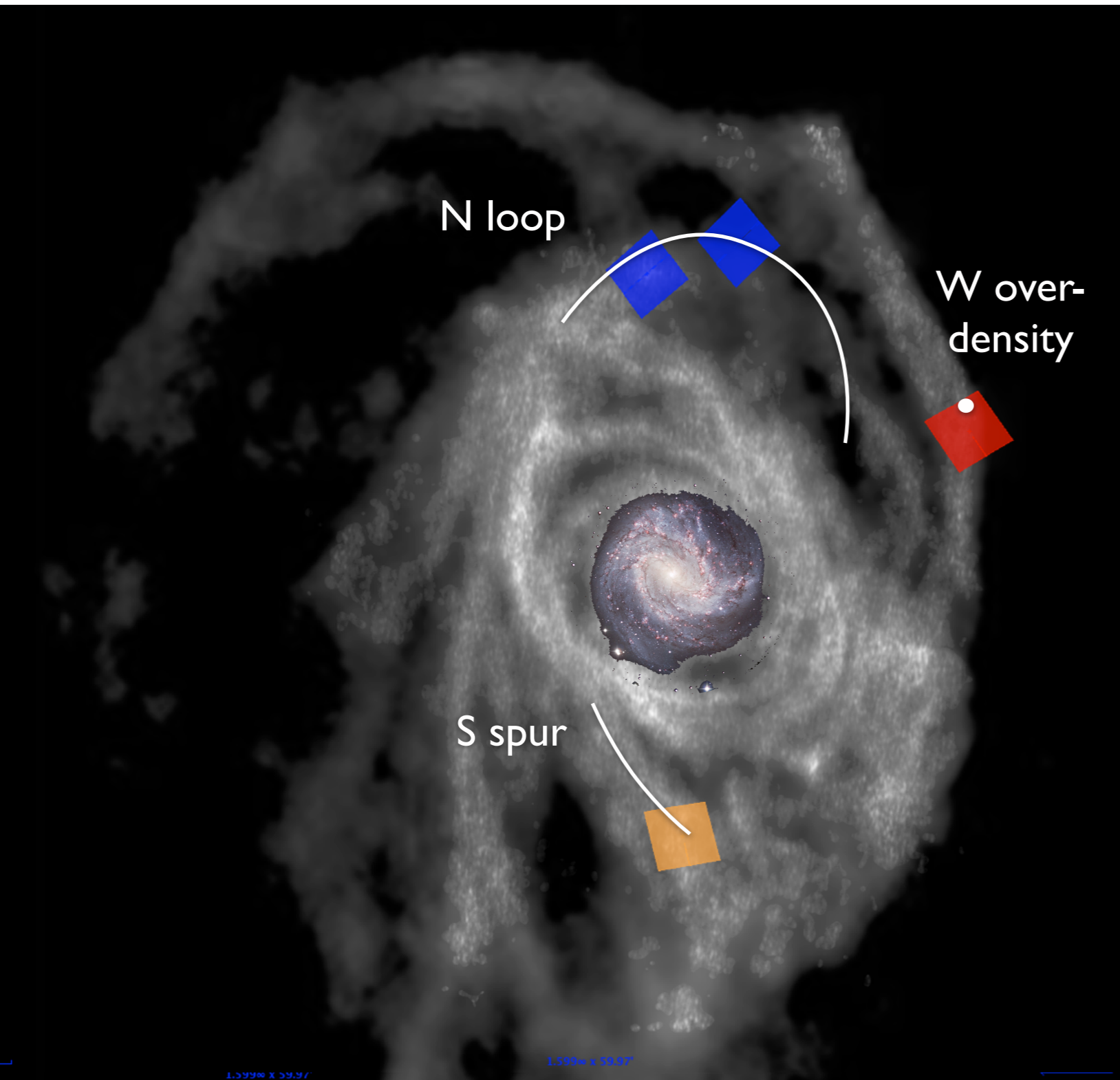
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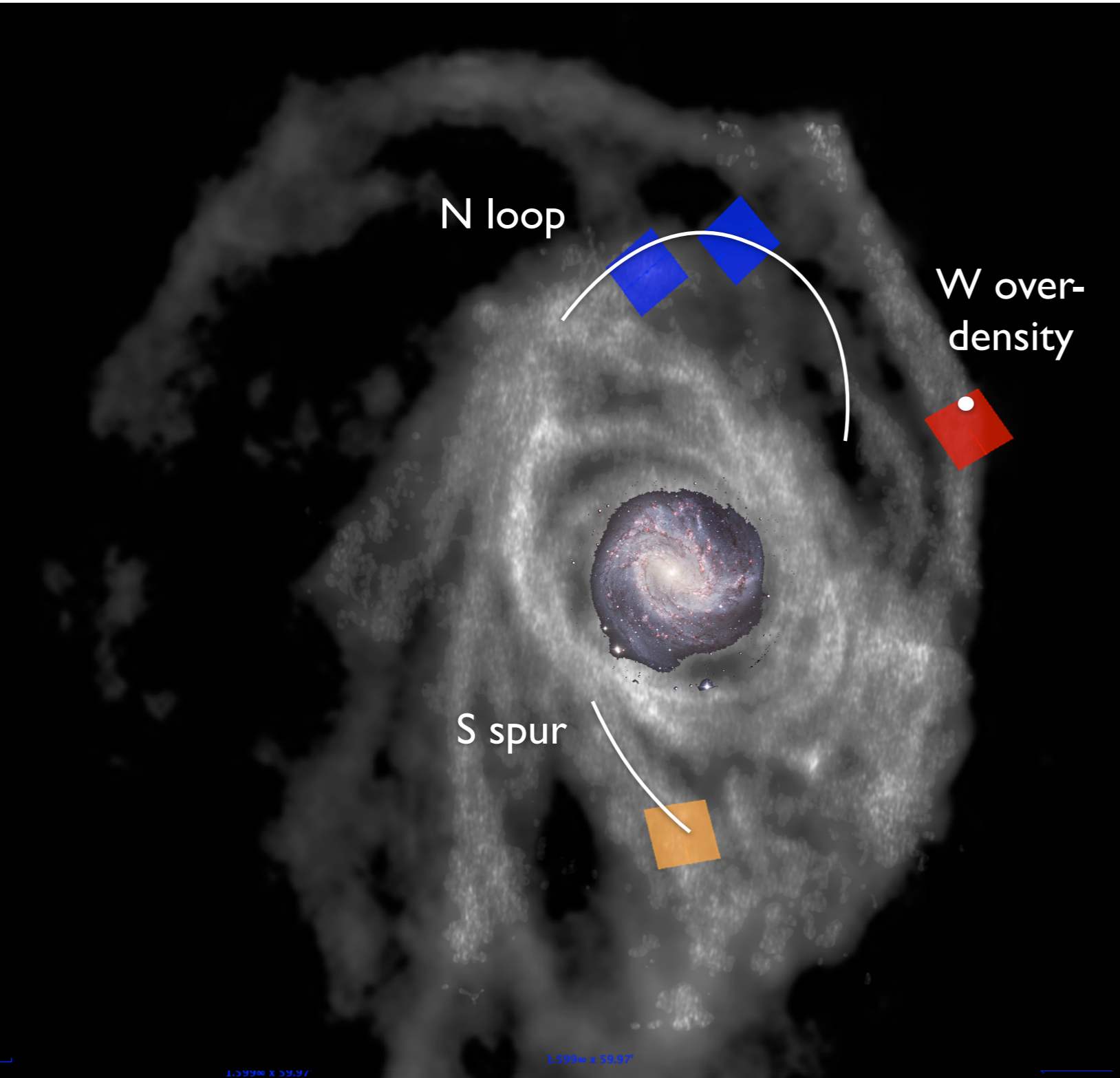
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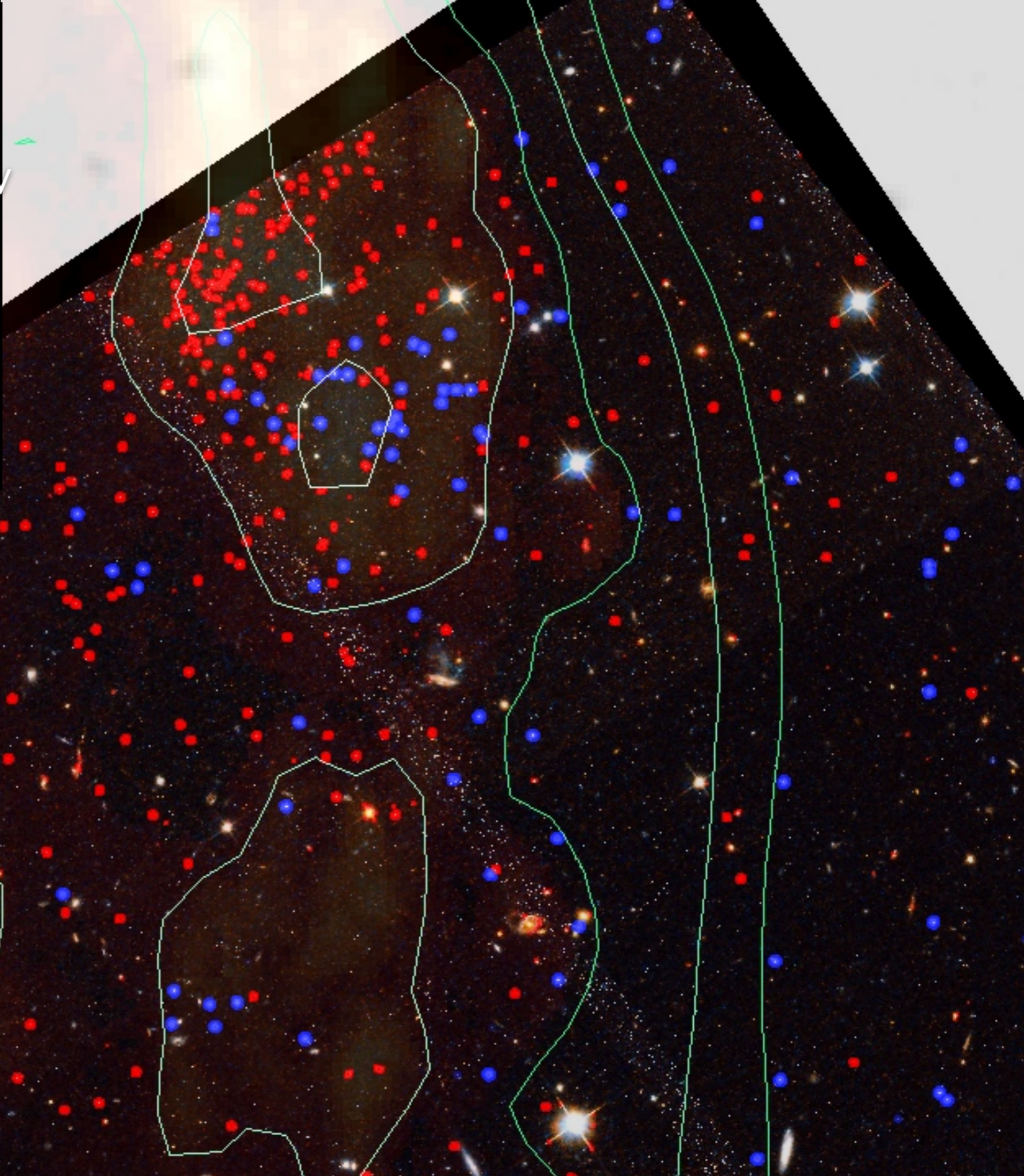
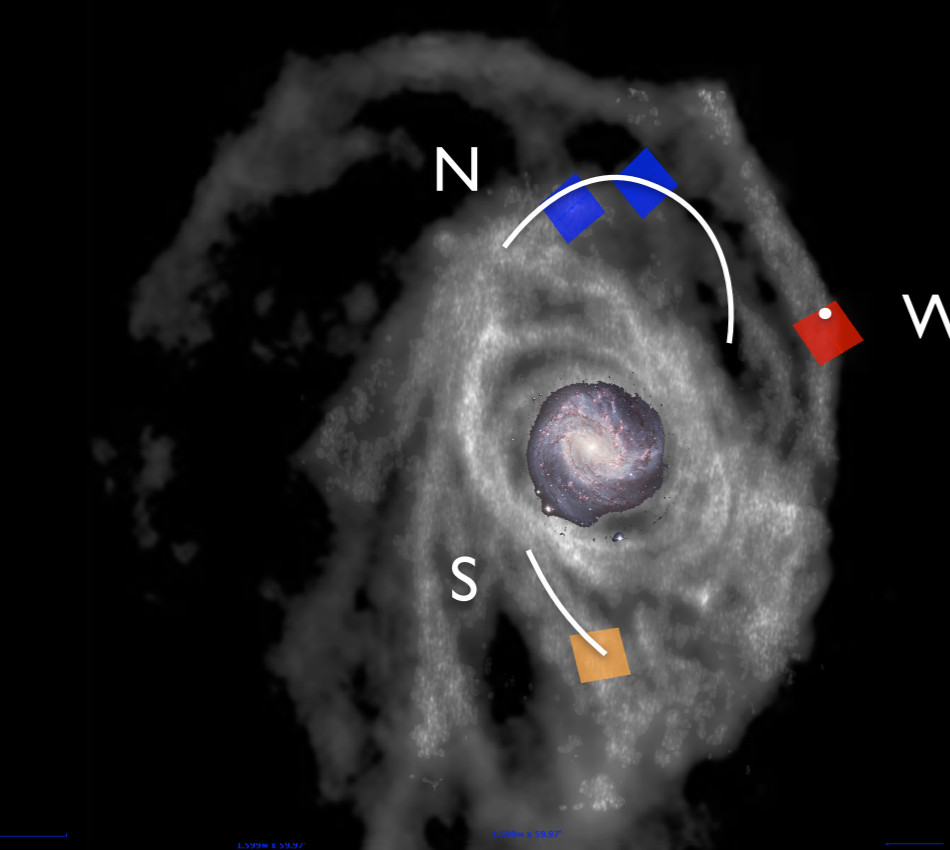
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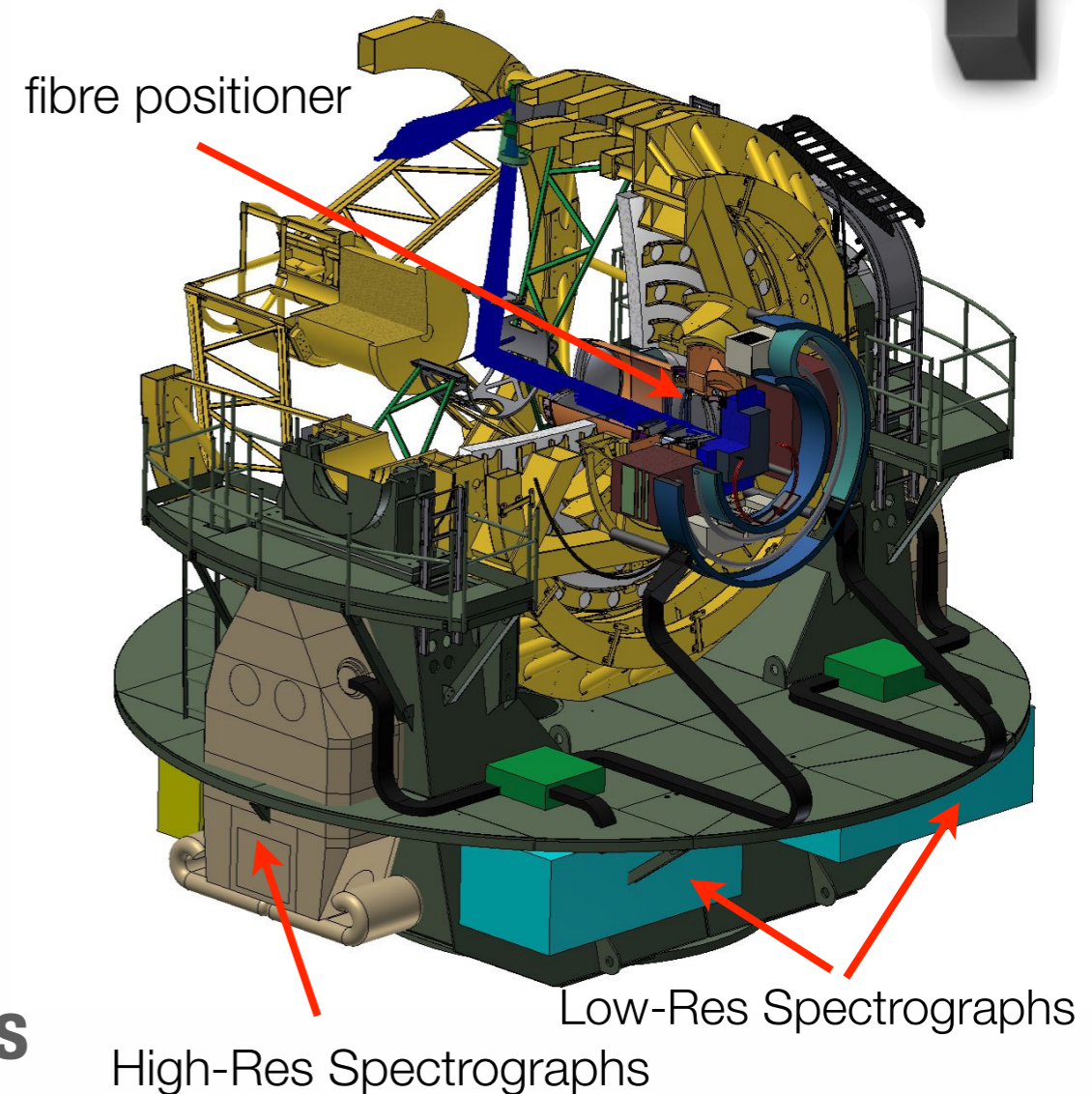
- M83 surrounded by large HI streams
- Possible origin:
 - primordial accretion
 - gas rich satellite
 - tidal stripping



4MOST - 4m Multi-Object Spectroscopic Telescope



- Next generation spectroscopic survey facility selected for the VISTA telescope of ESO
- Specs:
 - 2.5 degree diameter Field-of-View
 - 2400 fibres
 - Resolution $R \sim 5000$ and $R \sim 20,000$
 - Wavelength 390-930 nm
- Permanent survey mode for 5 years with many surveys in parallel starting in 2019
- Will observe >20 million objects in 5 years
- Ideal for complement Gaia mission for MW halo studies, eROSITA galaxy cluster dark halos, lensing imaging surveys, etc.

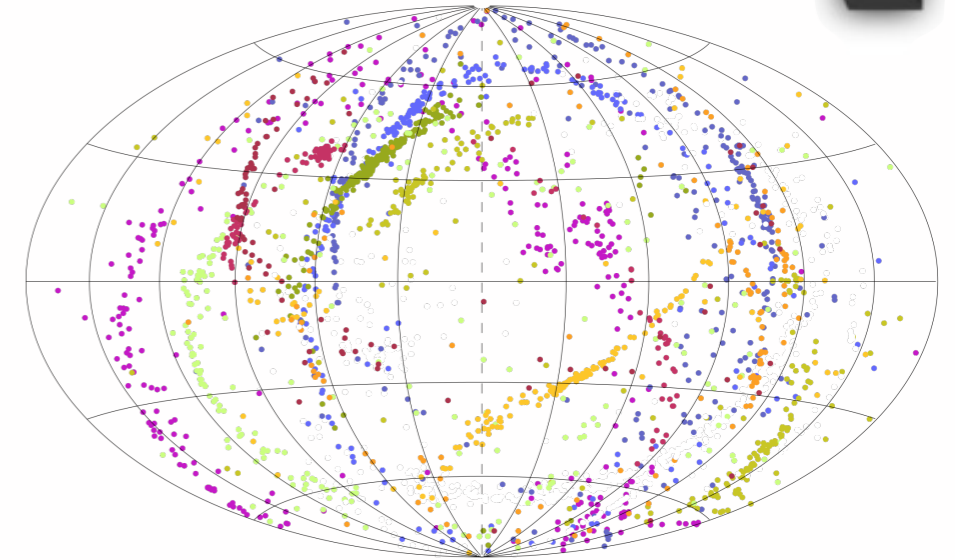


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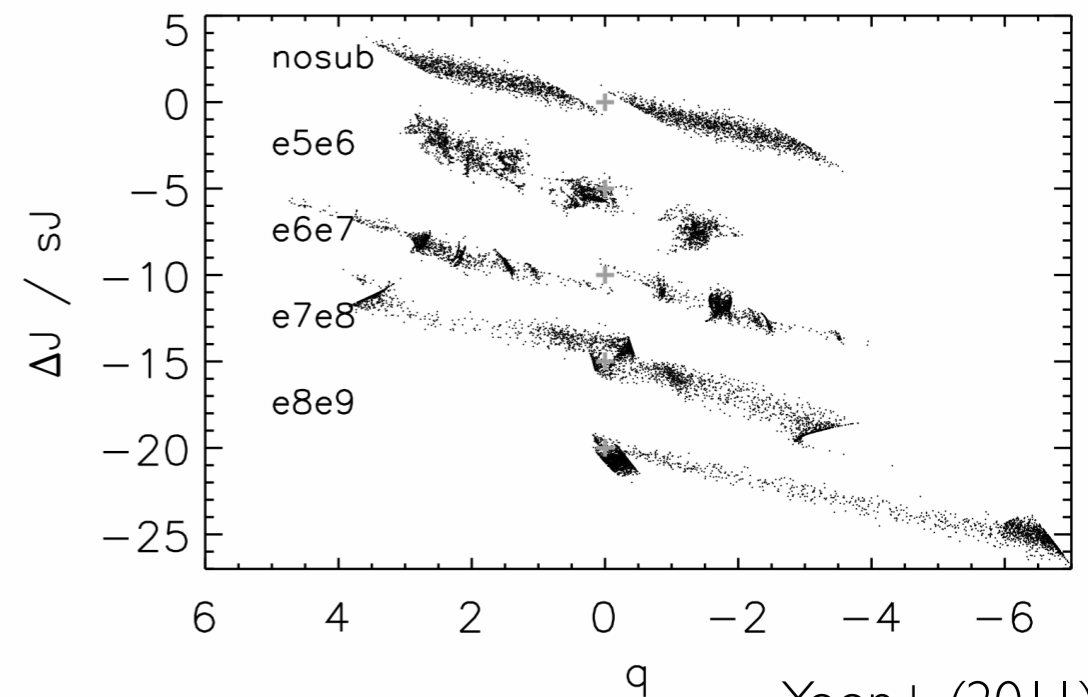


- Obtaining spectra of $>10^6$ halo stars allows:

- Determining the Milky Way 3D potential from streams to ~ 100 kpc
- Measuring the effect of baryons:
 - has there been significant adiabatic contraction?
 - is there a disk-like DM component?
 - does the DM respond to the bar?
- Determine the mass spectrum of Dark Matter halo substructure by the kinematic effects on cold streams of $10^3\text{--}10^5 M_\odot$



Cooper+ (2010)



Yoon+ (2011)

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- **Stellar halos are very compact (Sersic index 4-6)**
- **Inner halos (<25 kpc) are very flattened ($c/a \sim 0.3-0.4$)**
- **Substructure in stellar halos is diverse**
 - **streams, young & old dwarfs**
- **RGB stars show no significant color gradient (i.e. metallicity gradient) between 20 and 80 kpc**
- **RGB halo stars of small galaxies are bluer than the most metal-poor MW globular clusters (hence younger)**

<http://archive.stsci.edu/prepds/ghosts>