

The nature of Dark Matter: observations and experiments

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Outline

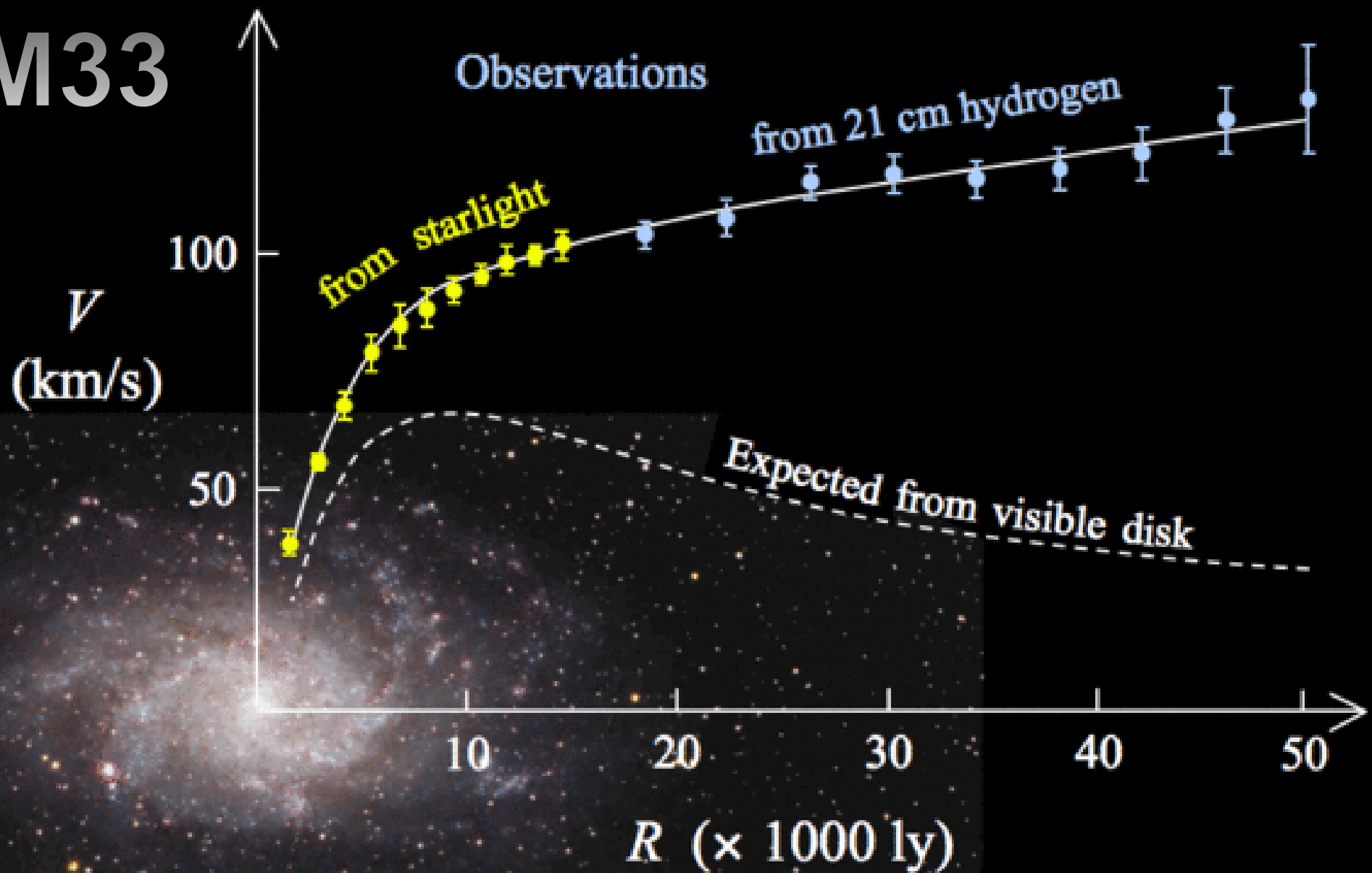
A set of phenomenal properties of dark halos in and around Galaxies are unexplained by the currently agreed scenario of dark matter physics

And seem to point towards a collisional nature for the DM properties

Salucci and Turini (in prep)

Salucci, P. Lapi, A. Tonini, C. Gentile, G. Yegorova, I. Klein,
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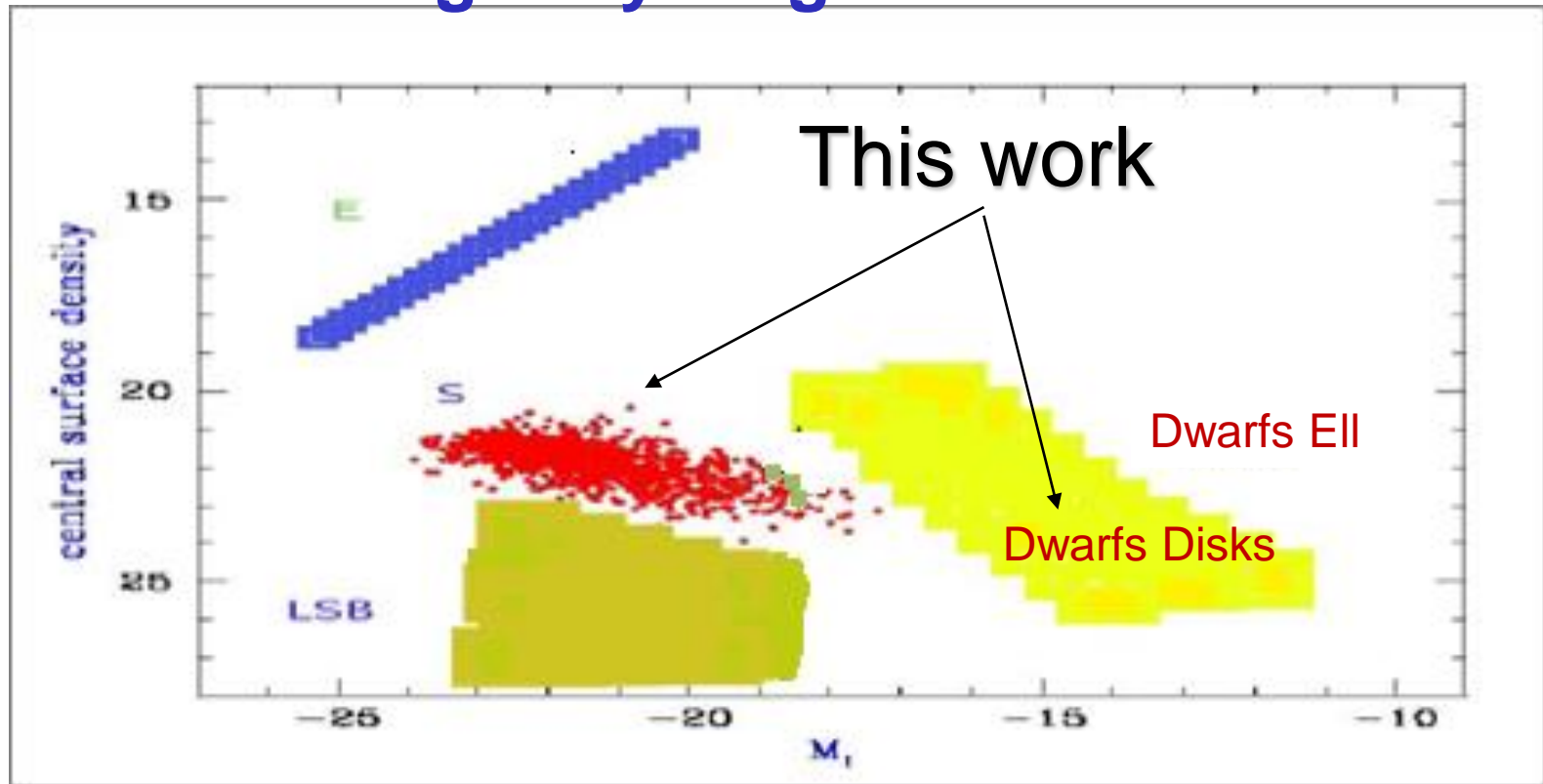


Presence of DM halos in Galaxies

The Realm of Galaxies

The range of galaxies in magnitudes, types and central surface densities : 15 mag, 4 types, 16 mag arcsec⁻²

Central surface brightness vs galaxy magnitude



The distribution of luminous matter :

Spirals : stellar disk +bulge +HI disk
Dwarf Disks : stellar disk +HI disk

Rotation curve analysis

From data to mass models

$$V^2(R) = V_{halo}^2(R) + V_{HI}^2(R) + V_{disk}^2(R)$$

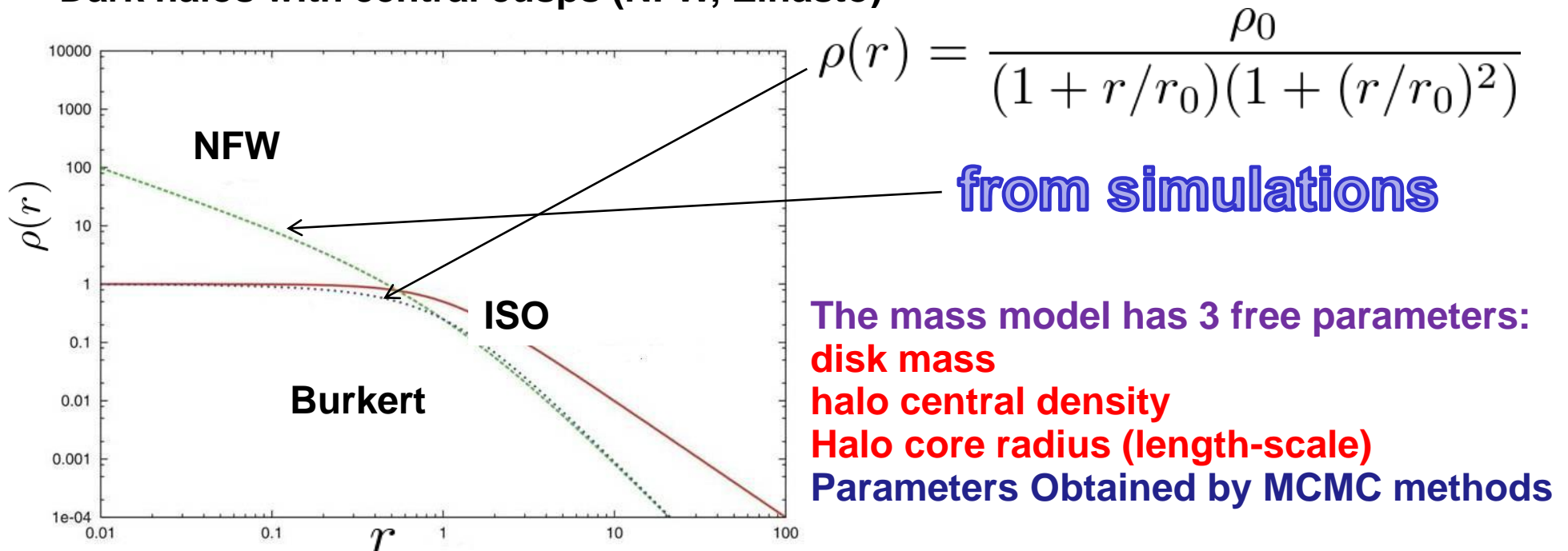
observations =

model

- V_{disk}^2 from I-band photometry
- V_{HI}^2 from HI observations
- V_{halo}^2 different choices for the DM halo density

Dark halos with central constant density (Burkert, Isothermal)

Dark halos with central cusps (NFW, Einasto)



Λ CDM Halo Density Profiles from N-body simulations

The density of virialized DM halos of any mass is empirically described at all times by an Universal profile (Navarro+96, 97, NFW).

$$\rho_{NFW}(r) = \delta\rho_c \frac{r_s}{r} \frac{1}{(1 + r/r_s)^2}$$

$$c = \frac{R_{vir}}{r_s}$$

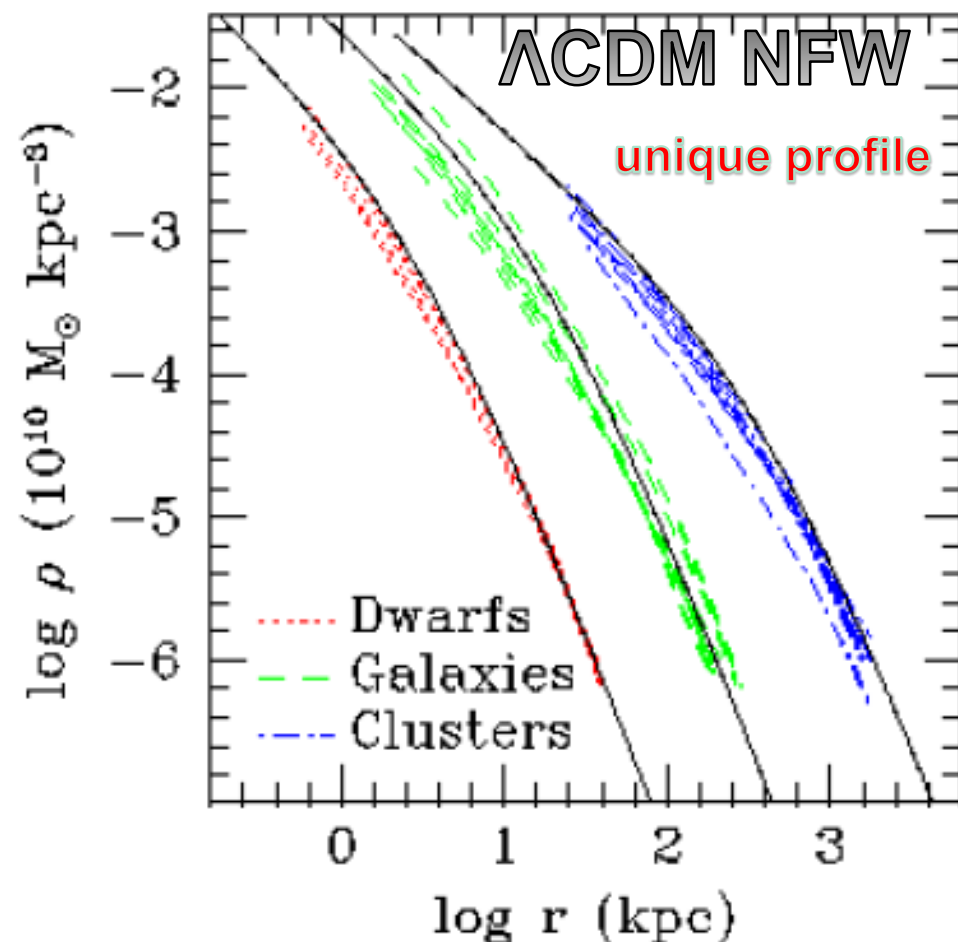
cusp

$$R_{vir} = 260 \left(\frac{M_{vir}}{10^{12} M_{\odot}} \right)^{1/3} \text{ kpc}$$

$$c(M_{vir}) = 9.35 \left(\frac{M_{vir}}{10^{12} M_{\odot}} \right)^{-0.09}$$

Klypin, 2010

small cosmic variance

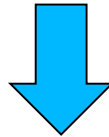


The distribution of Dark Matter in Spirals and Dwarfs

- poses strong evidences against a CDM halo
- gives information for the actual nature of the Dark particle through two revealing relationships

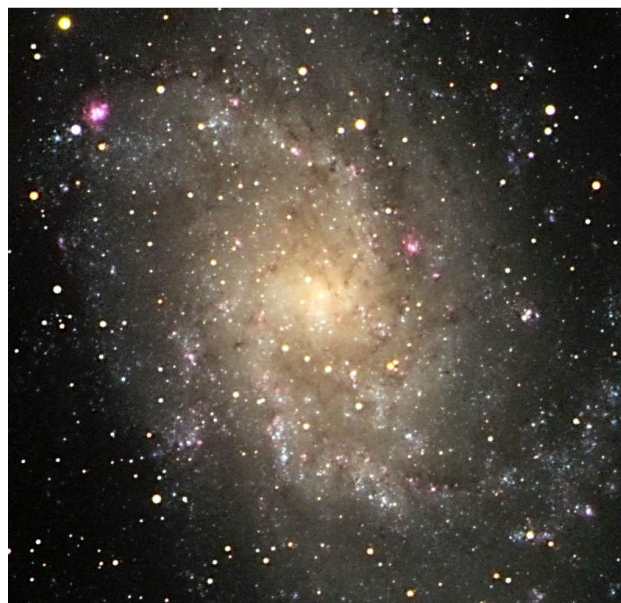
at the core radius, the product (DM density x Baryon density) is constant in all galaxies

disk lengthscales correlate perfectly with the halo core radii



Collisional dark matter ?

Spirals



Spirals disks are best place
to investigate DM

**gaseus component not
important**

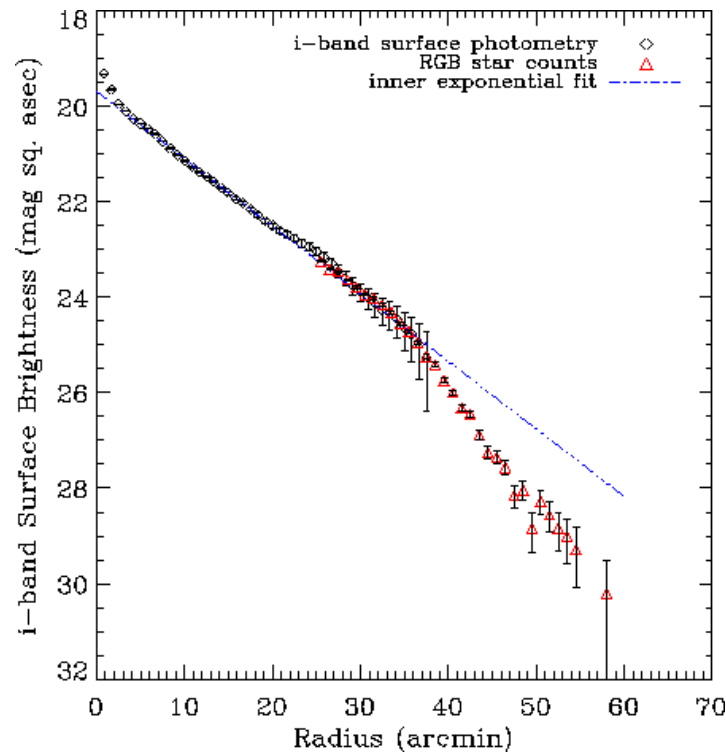
Stellar distribution:

$$I(r) = I_0 e^{-r/R_D}$$



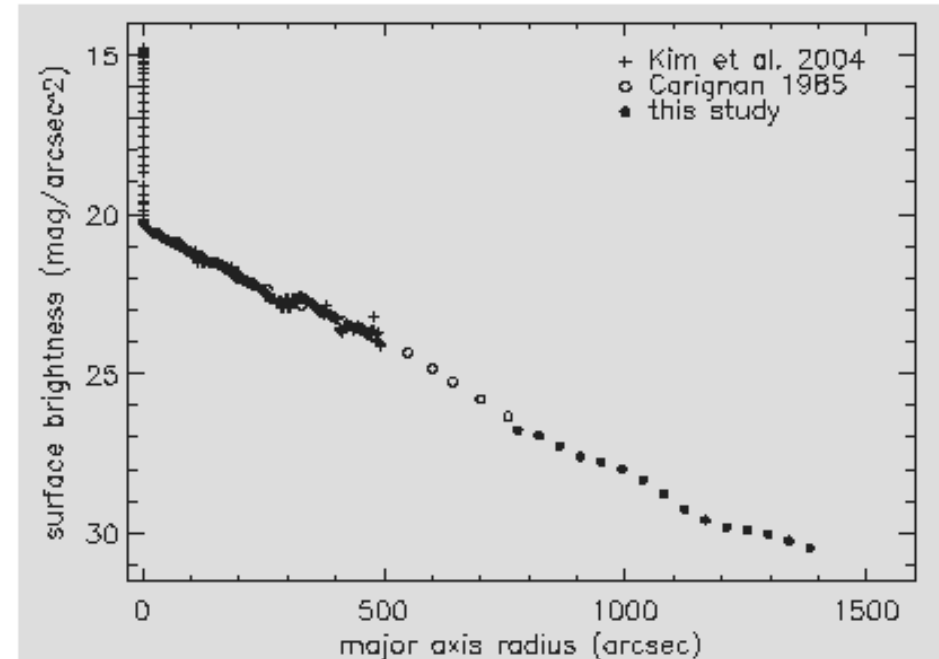
Spiral Galaxy NGC 300
(MPG/ESO 2.2-m + WFI)
ESO PR Photo 18a/02 (7 August 2002)
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R_D lenght scale of the disk



Ferguson et al 2003

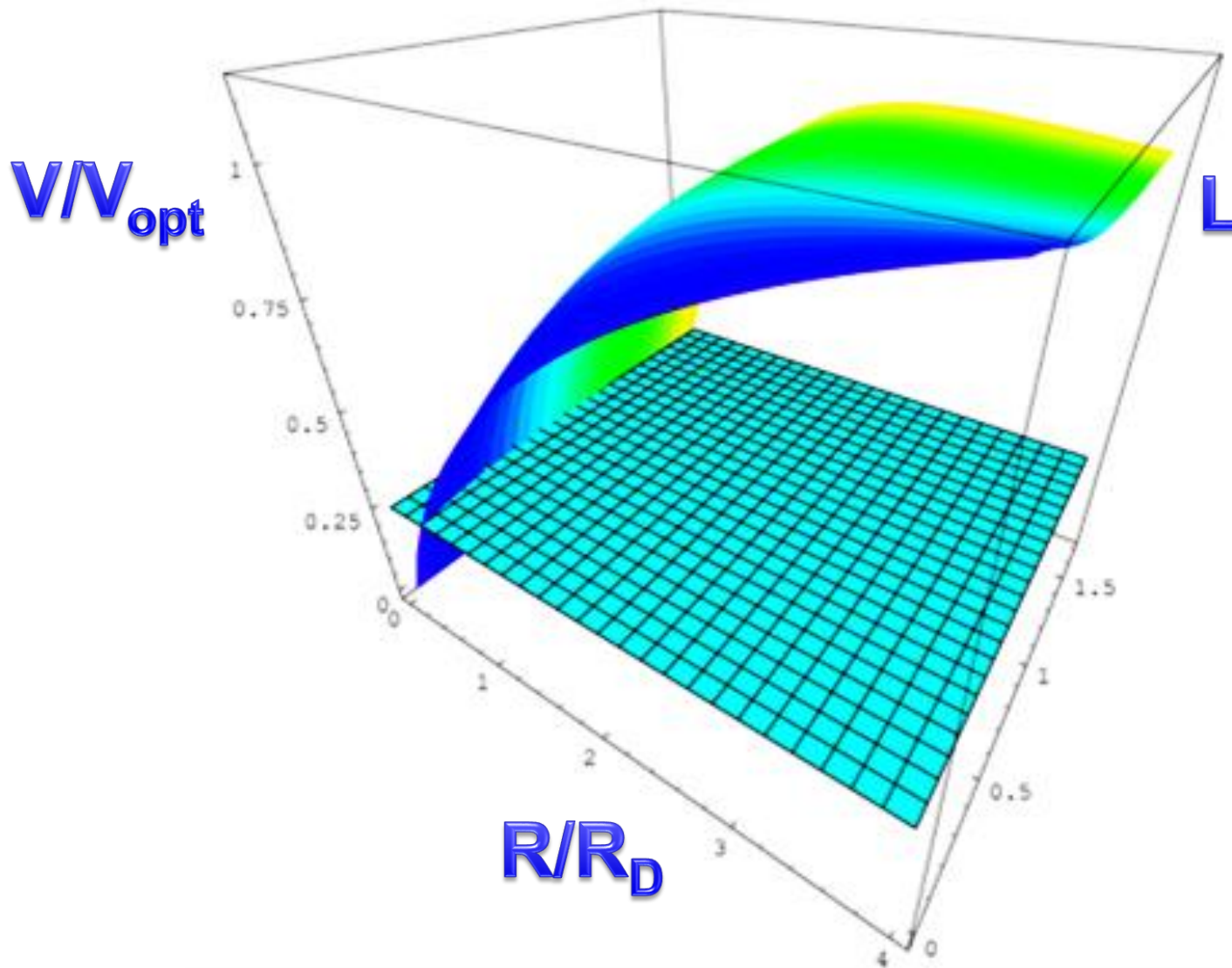
Freeman, 1970



Bland-Hawthorn et al 2005

The Concept of the Universal Rotation Curve (URC)

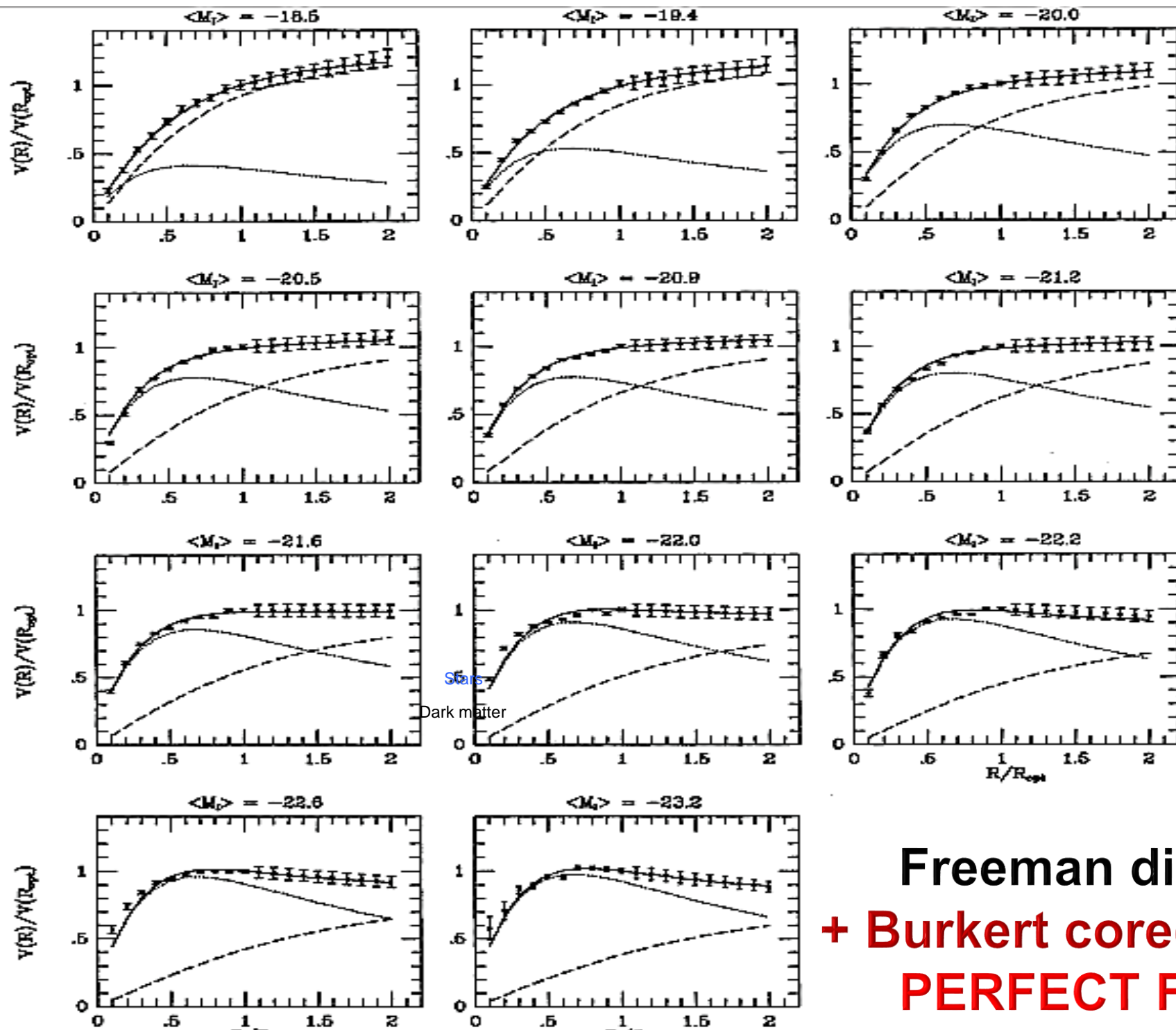
Every RC can be represented by: $V(\mathbf{x}, L)$ $\mathbf{x} = R/R_D$



The URC out to $6 R_D$ is derived directly from observations

The URC as the individual RCs imply a cored distribution very different from the original NFW density profile

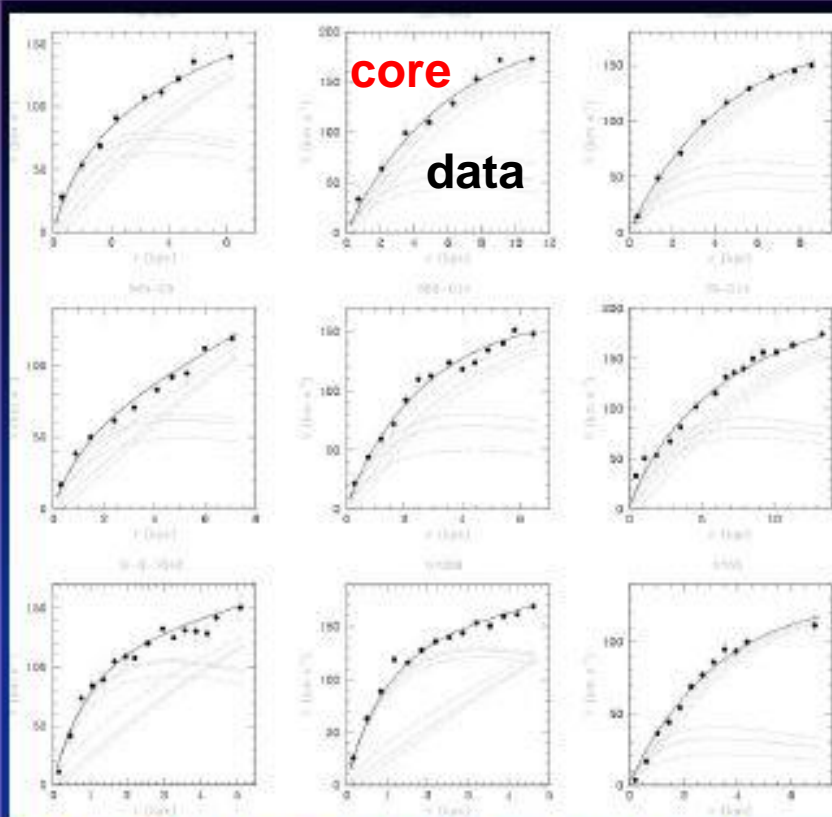
URC Modelling the Coadded Rotation Curves



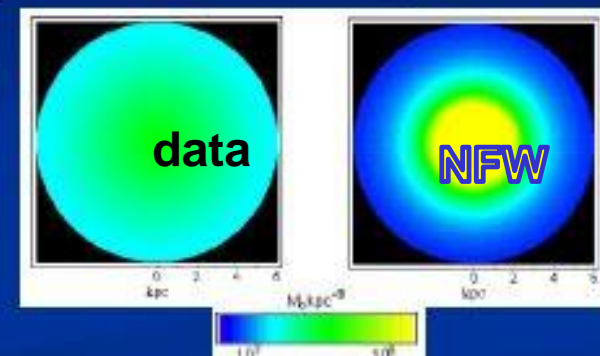
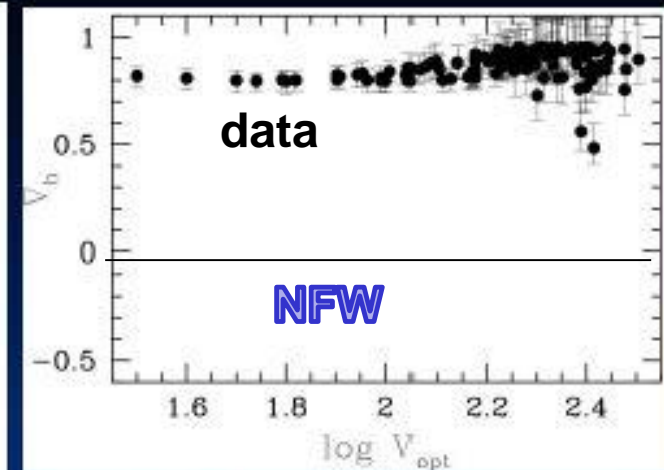
Freeman disk
+ Burkert cored halo
PERFECT FIT

Results from Trieste: analysis of high quality RCs

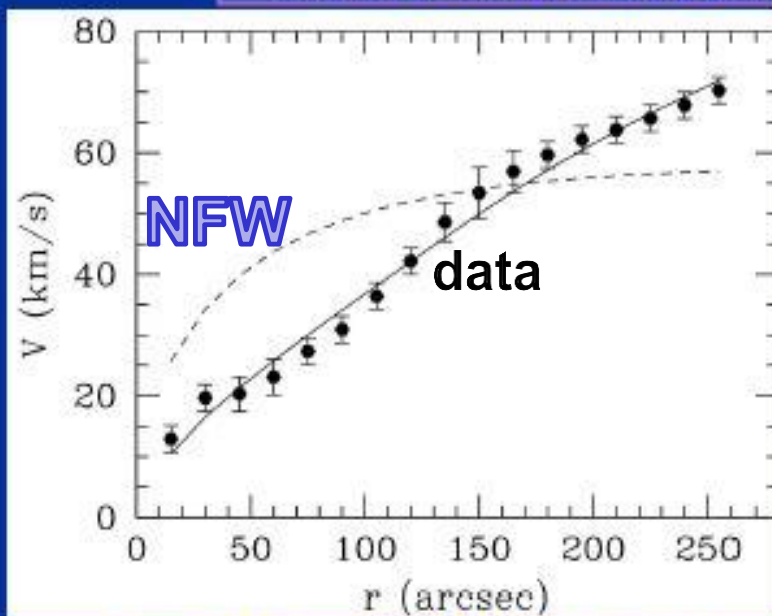
URC fits to RCs



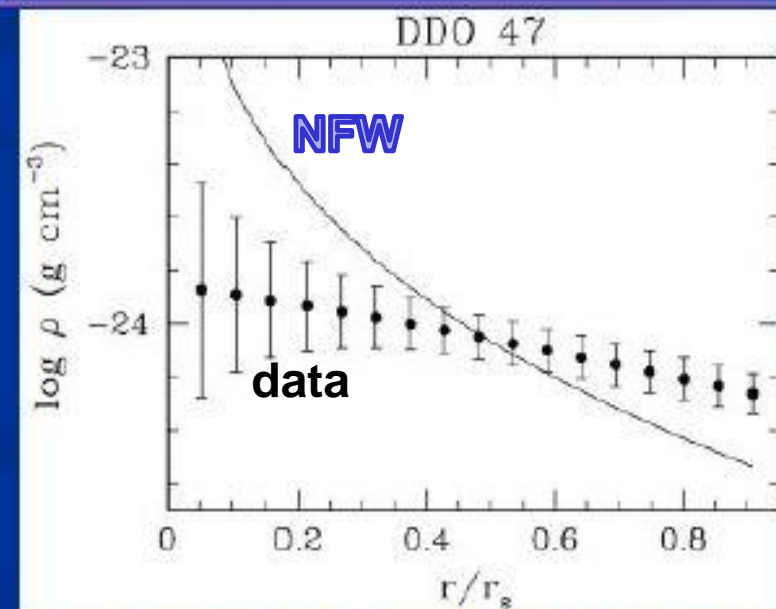
Borriello & Salucci, MNRAS 323, 285 (2001)



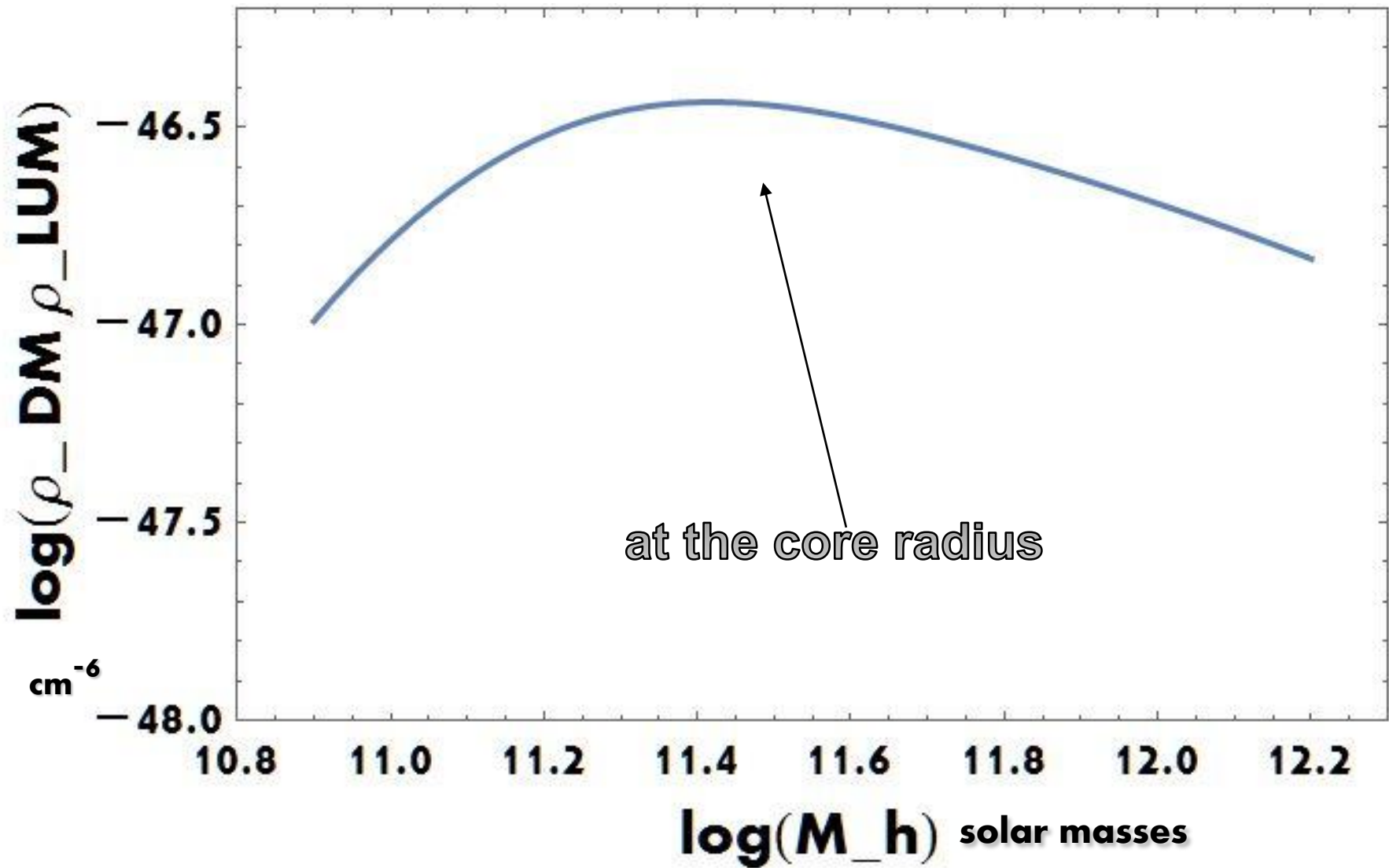
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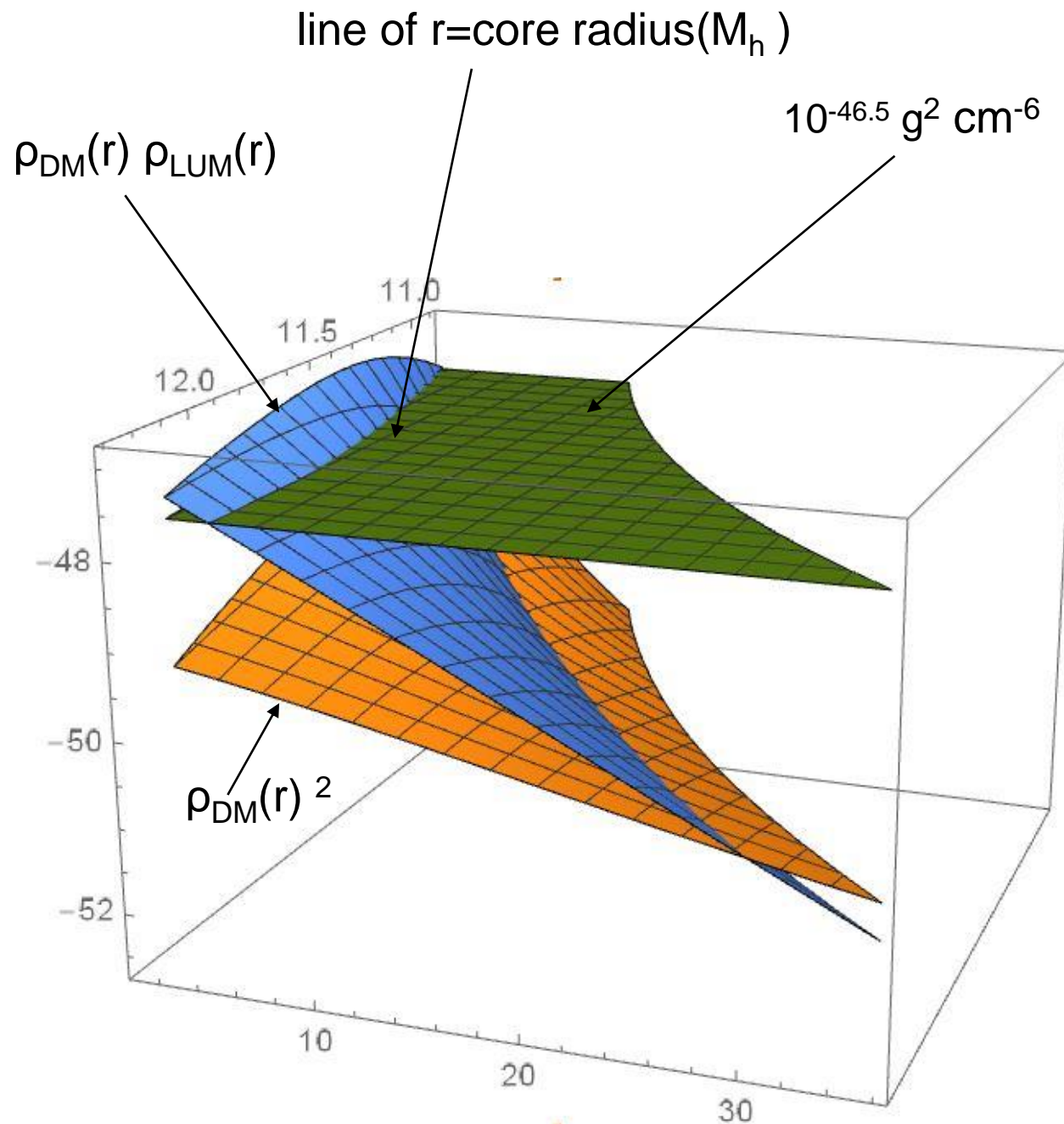
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Gentile, Tonini & Salucci, A&A 467, 925 (2007)



Similar relationship in Dwarf disk



DM LM interaction has much larger astrophysical factor than DM annihilation

Dwarf Disks

(mini spirals)



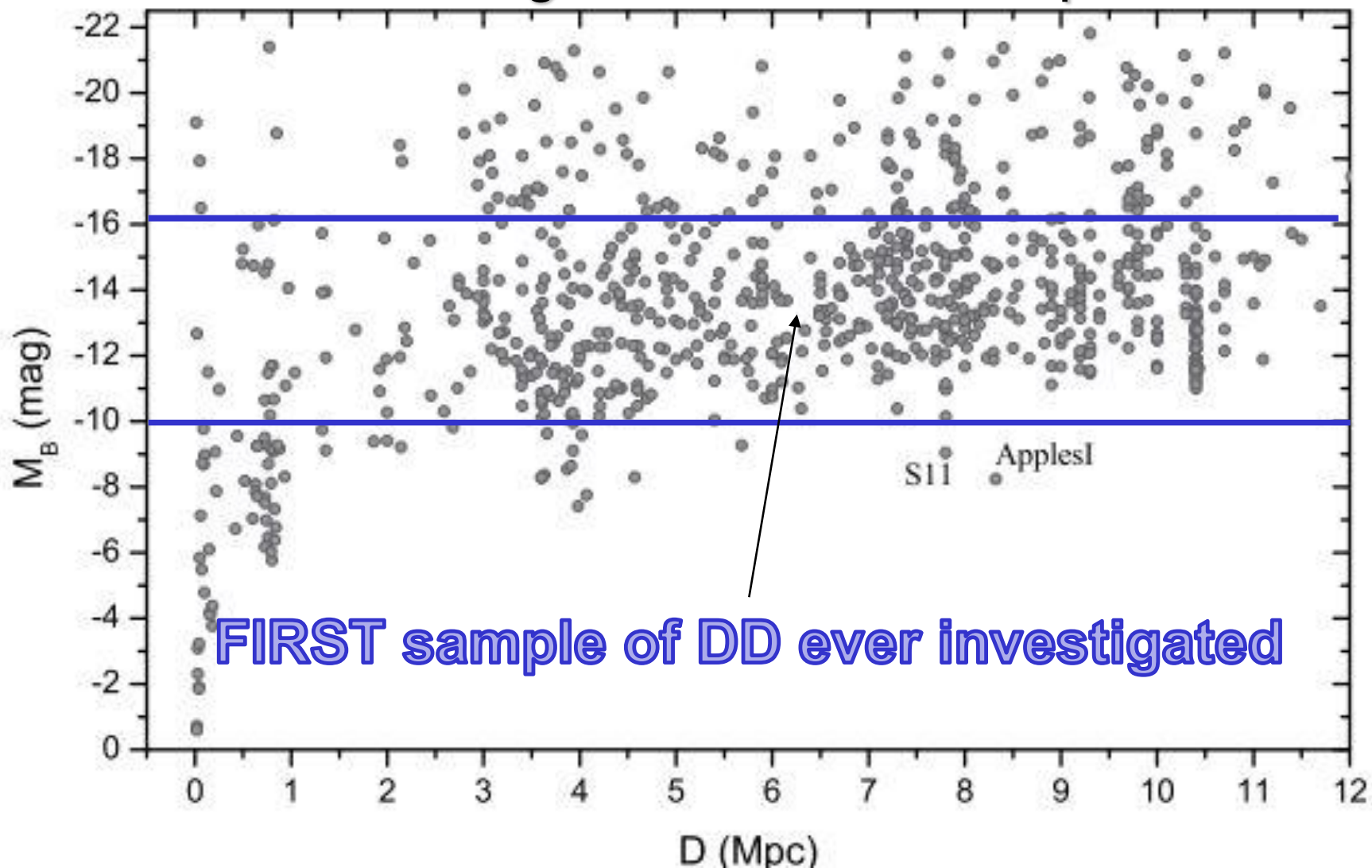
THE SMALLEST GALAXIES: DWARF DISKS

the most numerous ones
the more DM dominated
the densest objects
the first born
immune by feedback ?
simple dynamics



Updated Nearby Galaxy Catalog.

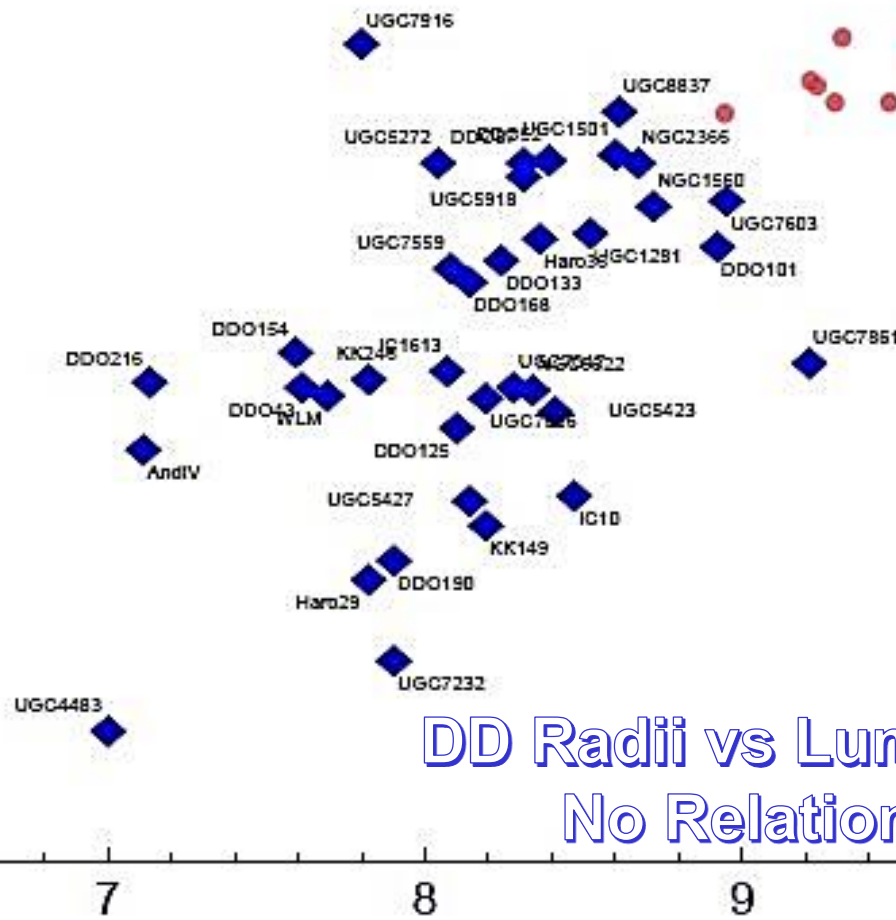
Igor D. Karachentsev, Dmitry I. Makarov and Elena I. Kaisina
1000 galaxies inside 11 Mpc



Spirals Radii vs Luminosities Good Relationship

Log R_{opt} [kpc]

1.5
1.0
0.5
0.0
-0.5



DD Radii vs Luminosities
No Relationship

Log $L_K [L_{\odot}]$

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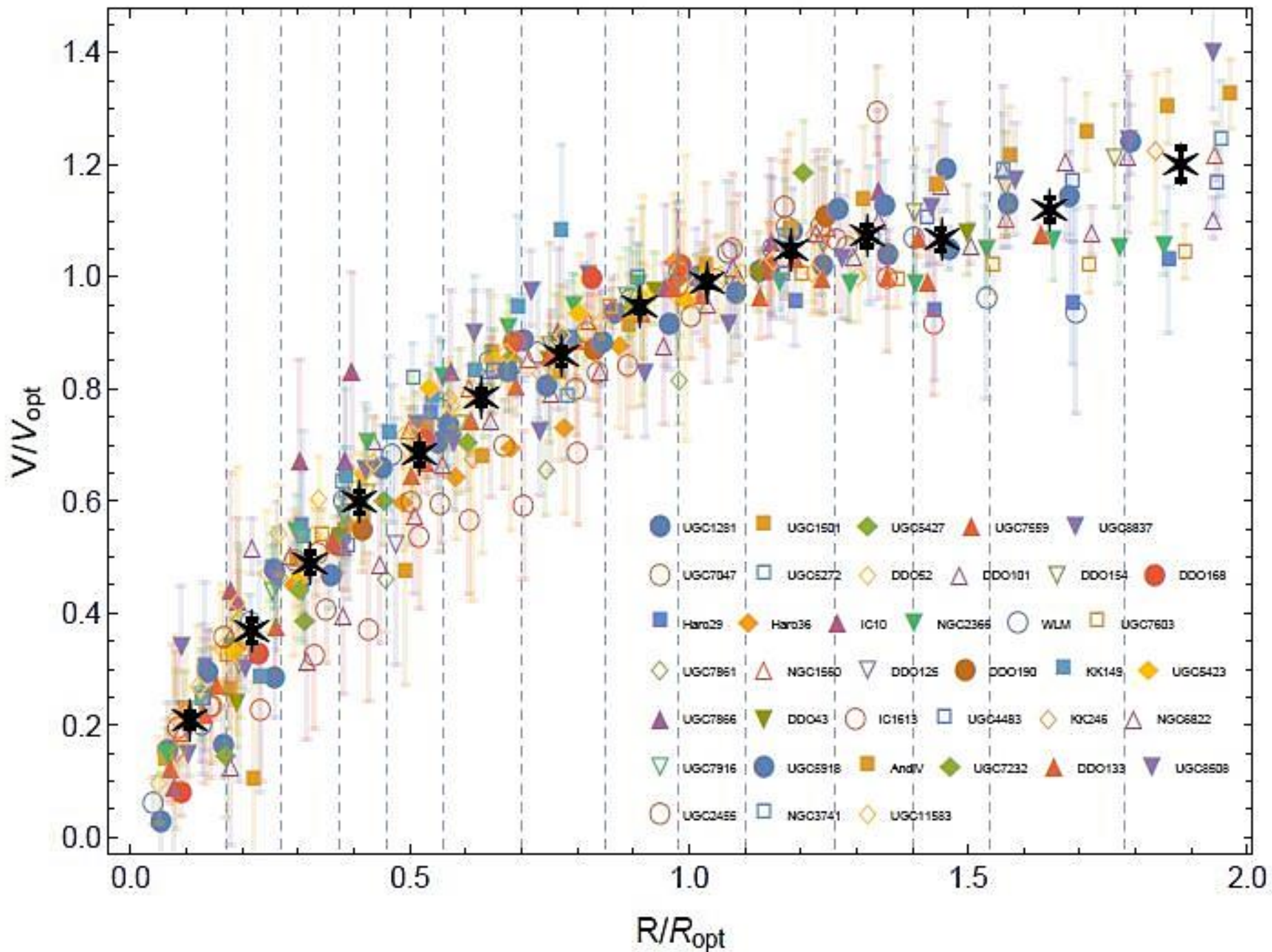
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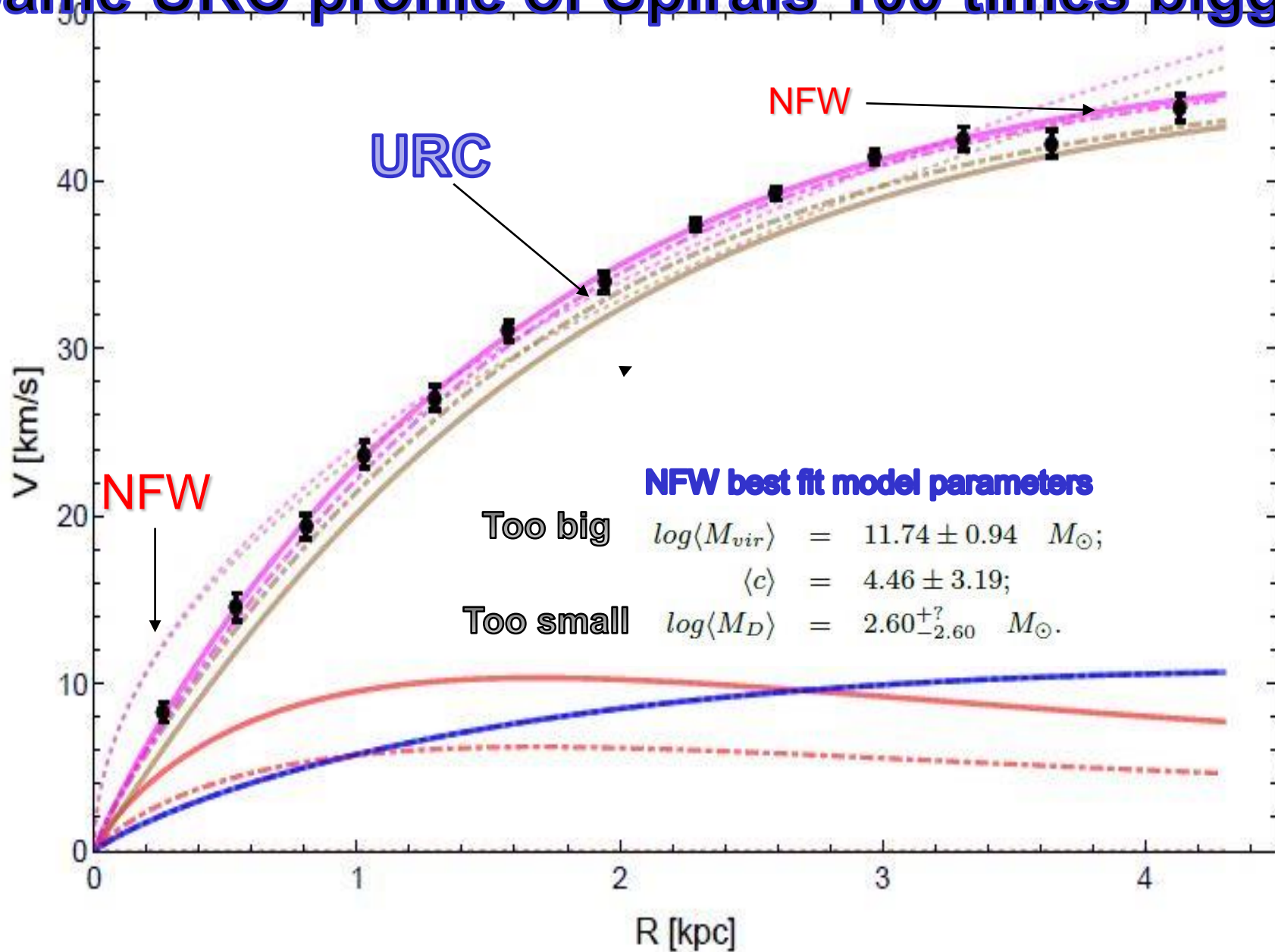
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Coadded rotation curve

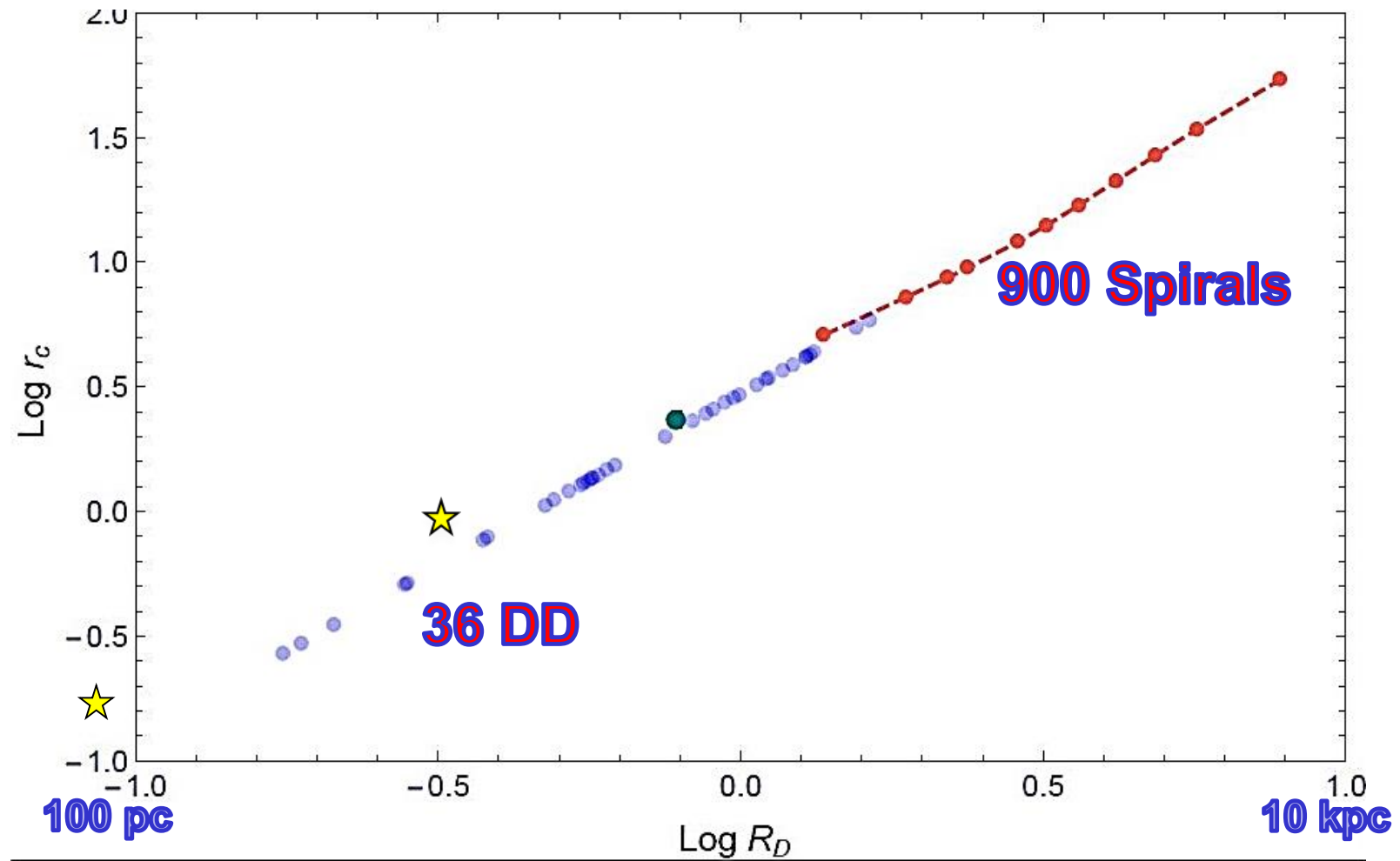


modelling the coadded curve: NO Cusp

Same URC profile of Spirals 100 times bigger



tight correlation between the dark matter core length and the scalelength of the stellar disk



Strict power law relation among quantities defining the shape of the two different mass distributions

Dark-luminous particles interaction?

collisional cross section

$$d\rho_{\text{DM}}(r,t) = - A \rho_{\text{DM}}(r,t) \rho_{\text{LUM}}(r,t)$$

$$d\log \rho_{\text{DM}}(r,t)/d\log r = B d\log \rho_{\text{LUM}}(r,t) /d\log r$$

From our relationships

To form DM cores as observed

Λ CDM PARADIGM

- We know the dark particle, ab initio. Both from cosmological and from elementary physics sides.
- *DM halos the protagonist. Large scales observations are in agreement .*
- *Observations of dark matter in galaxies are bound to agree with the Λ CDM scenario prediction via cosmo astrophysics , but this is not even strictly necessary, as the shooting gun for this scenario comes up, at this point, from the detection of particle.*
- progresses in detecting the WIMP particle have been very few, if any.
- the number of dark halos and their density profiles are very different with respect to those predicted from raw Λ CDM cosmology.

CONCLUSIONS towards a new paradigm

Cosmo-astrophysical Observations are an Unique Guide to the nature of DM

The amazing properties of the mass distribution of Dark Matter in very different types of galaxies will guide as

NEW PARADIGM

in which dark and luminous matter interact

about 0.01 interaction for Dark particle for Gyr

Other possibilities are too much fine tuned and or ineffective to explain the observational scenario that strongly links DM and LM .