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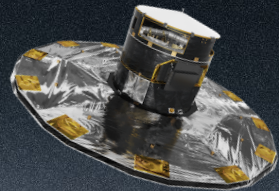


Alberto Giacometti, "Le Nez"

Synopsis

Overview of the Gaia mission and DR2:

scientific instruments, catalogue contents,
measurement uncertainties, caveats and limitations.



Scientific highlights:

Kinematic complexity of the disk

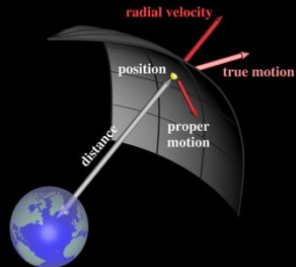
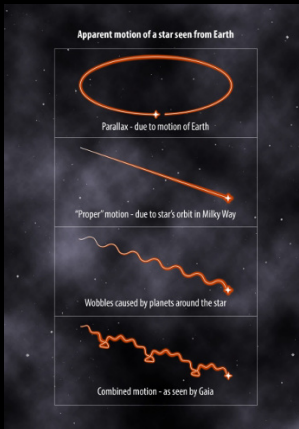
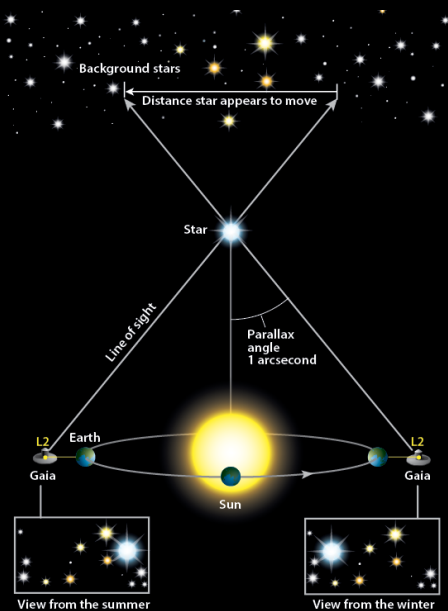
Accretion history of the halo

Search for new objects (streams, satellites)

Internal kinematics of stellar structures

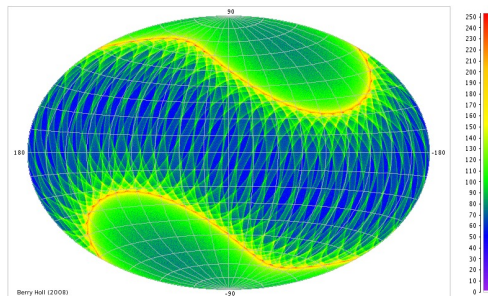
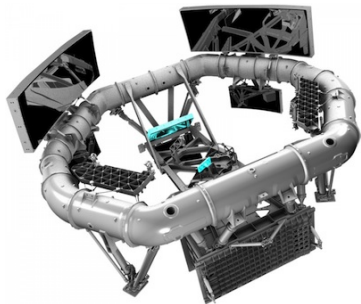
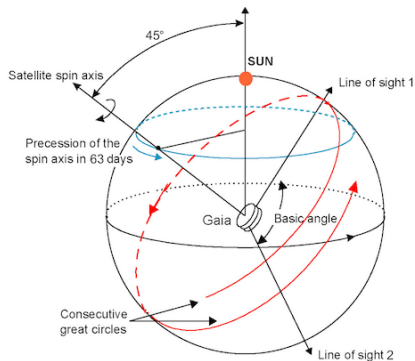
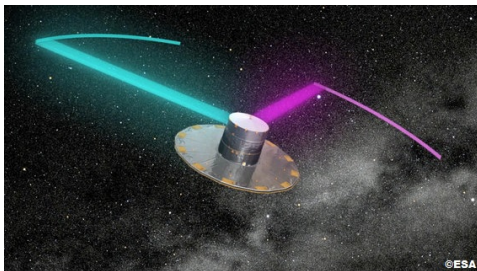
Measurement of Milky Way gravitational potential

Astrometry 101



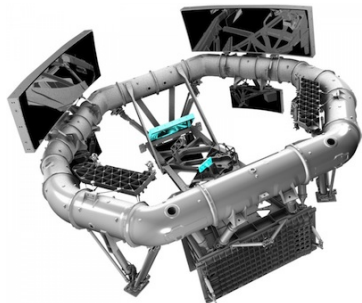
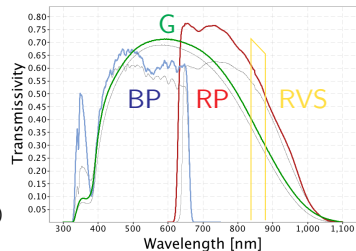
Position on the sky α, δ
 Parallax $\varpi = 1/\text{distance}$
 Proper motion μ_α, μ_δ
 Line-of-sight velocity v_{los}
 Binary orbit parameters

How Gaia astrometry works



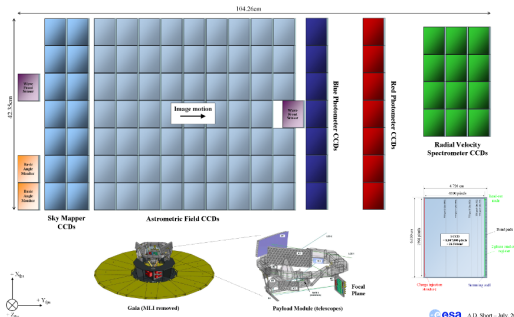
Overview of Gaia mission

- ▶ Scanning the entire sky every couple of weeks
- ▶ Astrometry for sources down to 21 mag
- ▶ Broad-band photometry/low-res spectra
- ▶ Line-of-sight velocity down to ~ 15 mag (end-of-mission)



Gaia Focal Plane

106 CCDs \approx 938 million pixels \approx 2800 cm²

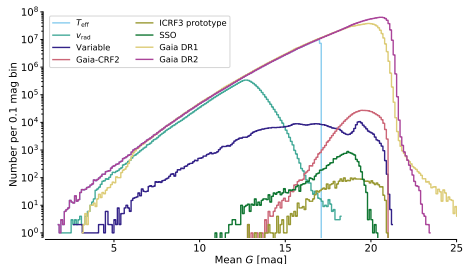
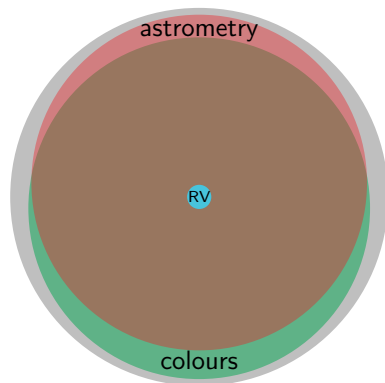


esa AD Short - July 2009

[Source: ESA]

Overview of Data Release 2

- ▶ Based on 22 months of data collection
- ▶ Total number of sources: 1.69×10^9
- ▶ Sources with full astrometry (parallax ϖ , proper motions $\mu_{\alpha*}, \mu_{\delta}$): 1.33×10^9
- ▶ Colours (G_{BP}, G_{RP}): 1.38×10^9
- ▶ Line-of-sight velocities: 7.2×10^6
- ▶ Effective temperature: 160×10^6
- ▶ Stellar parameters (R_{\odot}, L_{\odot}): 77×10^6
- ▶ Extinction and reddening: 88×10^6
- ▶ Variable sources: 0.55×10^6



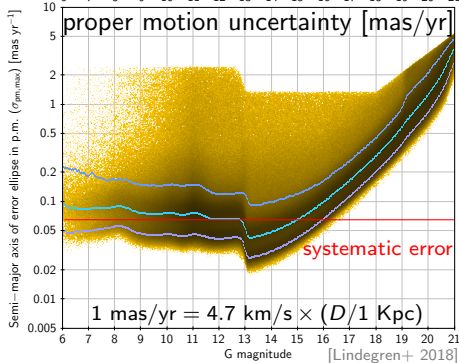
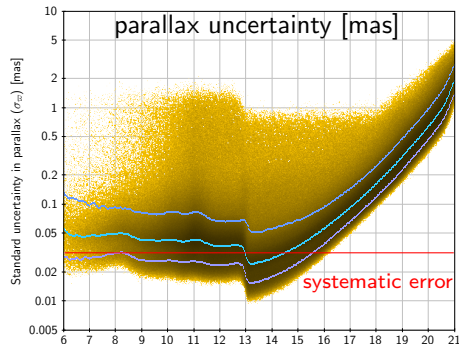
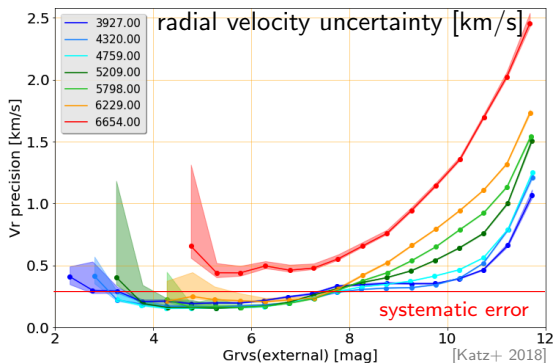
Measurement uncertainties

Parallax: $\epsilon_{\varpi} \gtrsim 0.05 - 0.1$ mas

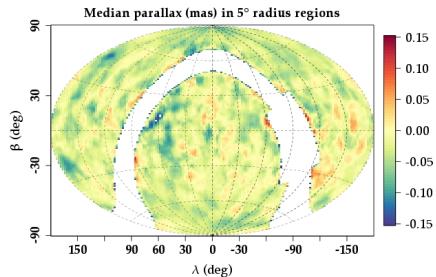
Proper motion: $\epsilon_{\mu} \gtrsim 0.1 - 0.2$ mas/yr

Line-of-sight velocity: $\epsilon_V \gtrsim 0.5$ km/s

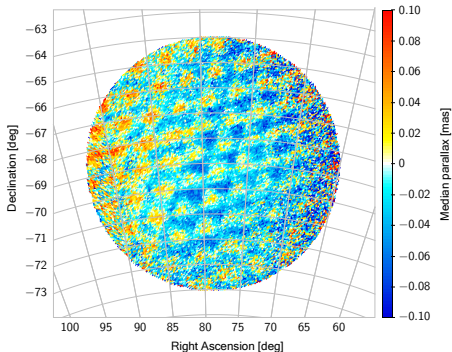
RV measurements only for stars with
 $T_{\text{eff}} \in [3500 \div 6900]$ K and $G_{\text{RVS}} \leq 12$ ($G \lesssim 13$)



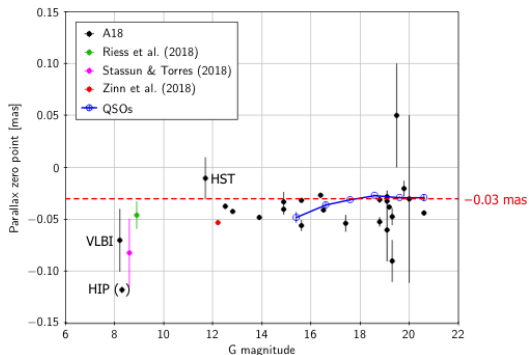
Gaia parallaxes and the absolute distance scale



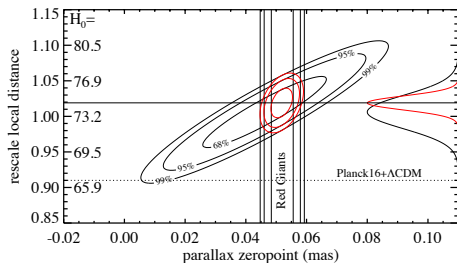
Mean parallax of 5×10^5 quasars [Arenou+2018]



Mean parallax of LMC stars [Lindegren+2018a]



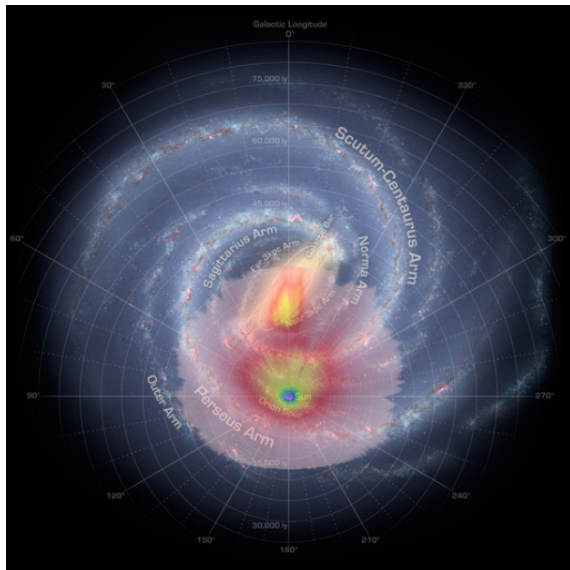
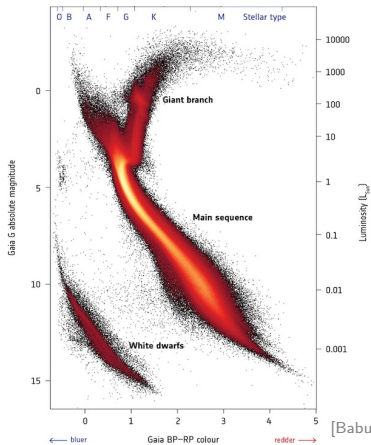
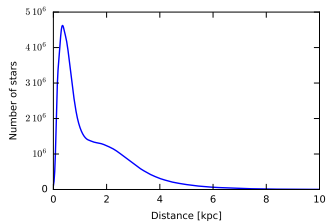
Compilation of parallax offset measurements [Lindegren+2018b]



Cepheid distances and Planck constant [Riess+2018]

The “golden” 6D sample

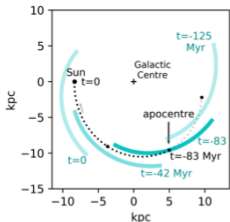
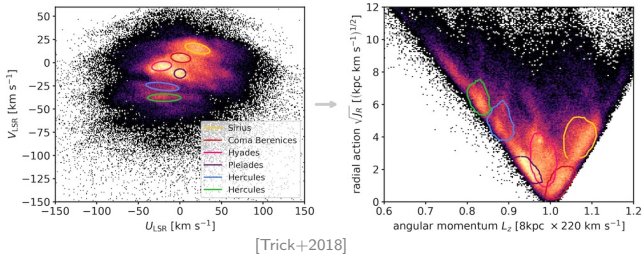
$\sim 6 \times 10^6$ stars brighter than $G \sim 13$
with parallax uncertainty $\epsilon_{\varpi}/\varpi \leq 0.2$



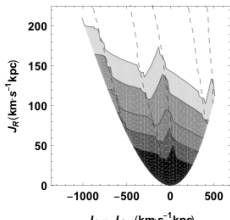
[Babusiaux+ 2018; Katz+ 2018]

Kinematic complexity in the disk

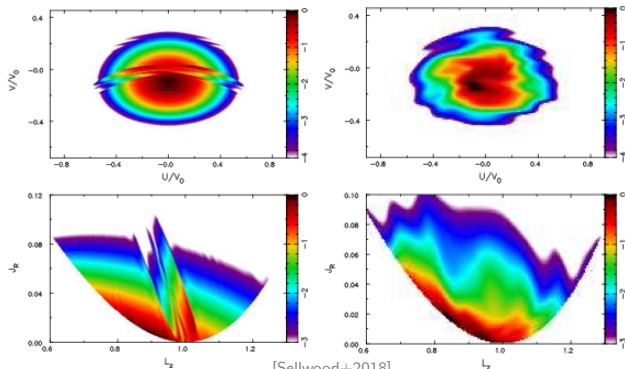
- ▶ Moving groups in velocity space
[Gaia Collaboration: Katz+2018] \implies
more clearly seen in action space.
- ▶ Bar pattern speed constraints
[Monari+2018]
- ▶ Perturbations from spiral arms
[Quillen+2018; Hunt+2018]
- ▶ Tests of spiral structure theories
[Sellwood+2018]



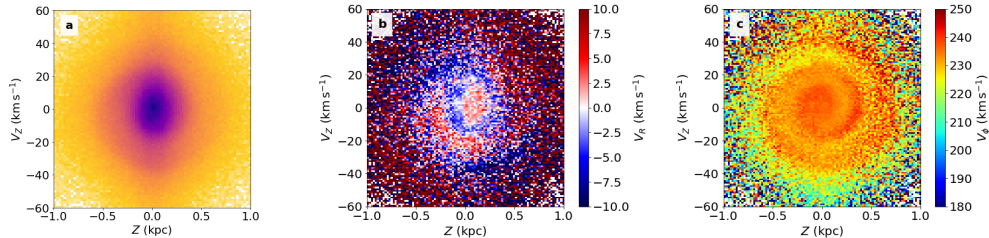
[Quillen+2018]



[Monari+2018]



Vertical perturbations and the disk seismology



Phase-space spiral [Antoja+2018]

perturbation from a $(2 - 10) \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ satellite crossing the disk 200 – 400 Myr ago (Sgr dSph?)



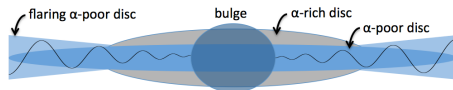
[Laporte+ 2018]

[Darling & Widrow 2018]

[Binney & Schönrich 2018]

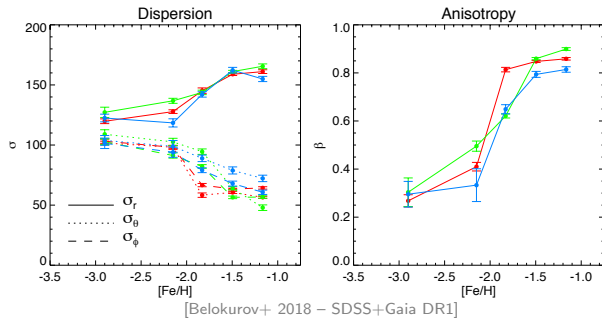
[Bland-Hawthorn+ 2018]

[Li & Shen 2019]



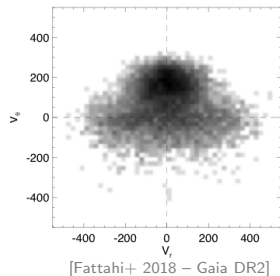
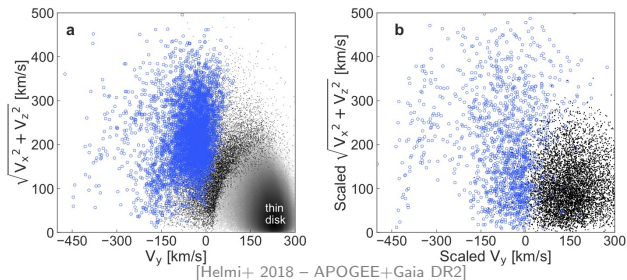
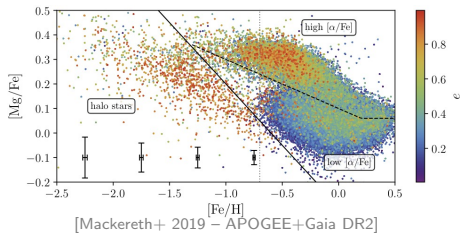
Radially-anisotropic population in the stellar halo

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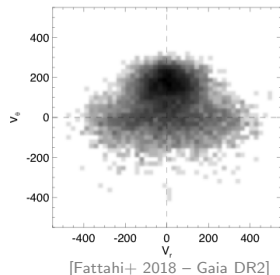
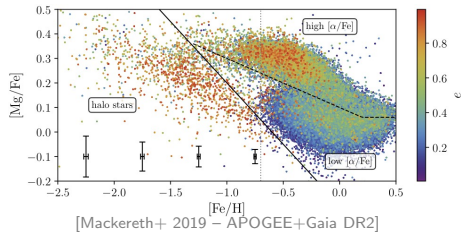
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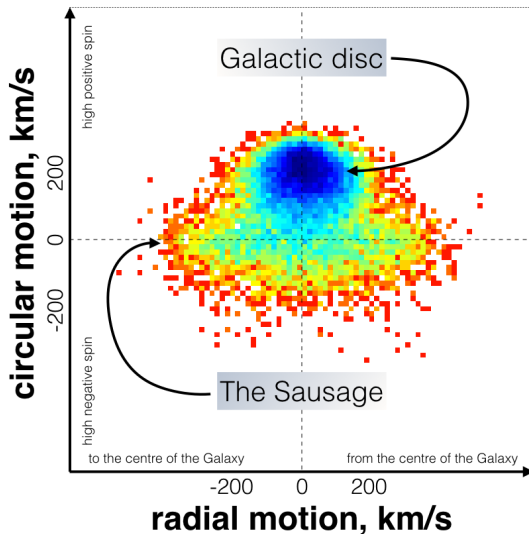


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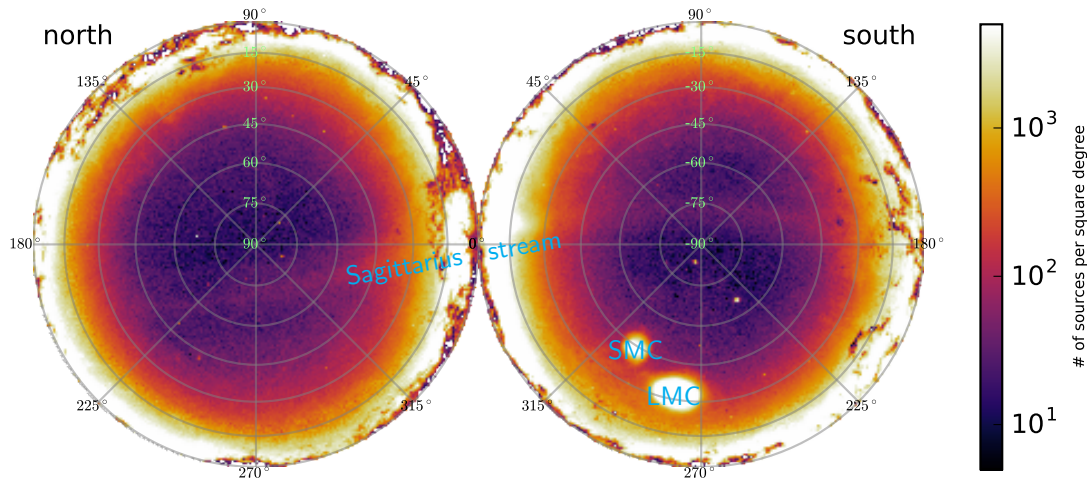


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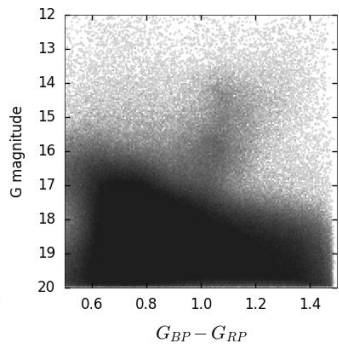
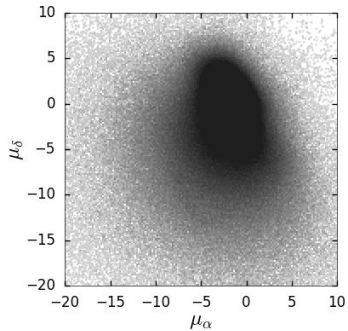
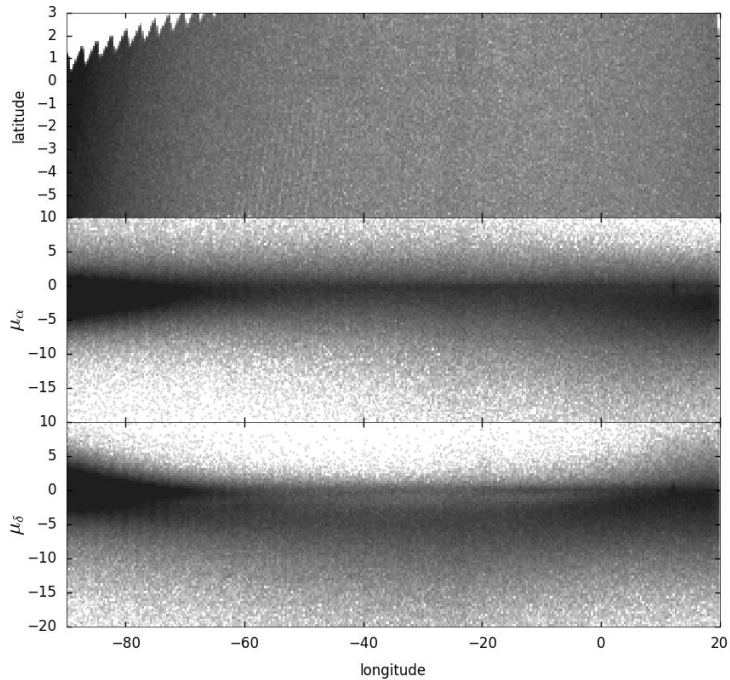
Belokurov+ 2018

Finding substructures with Gaia

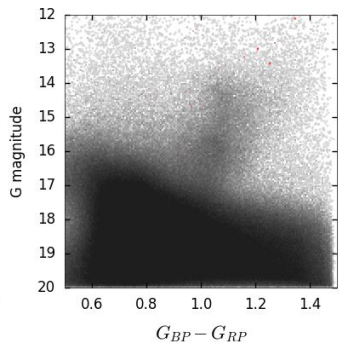
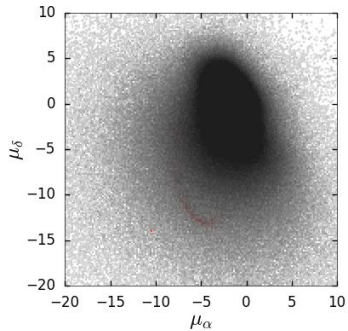
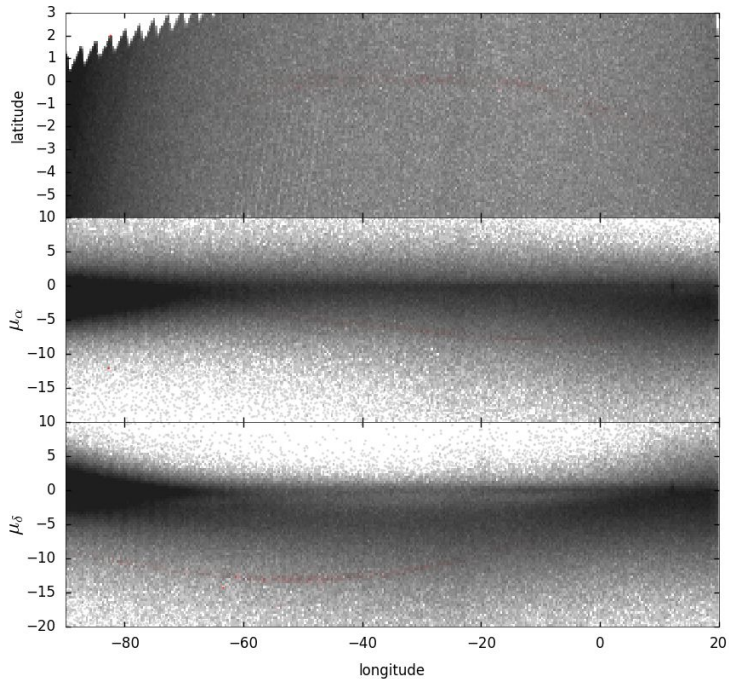


Stars with $\varpi < 0.3$, $1 < G_{BP} - G_{RP} < 1.5$, $|\mu_\alpha| < 3.5$, $|\mu_\delta| < 3.5$ (mainly distant halo)

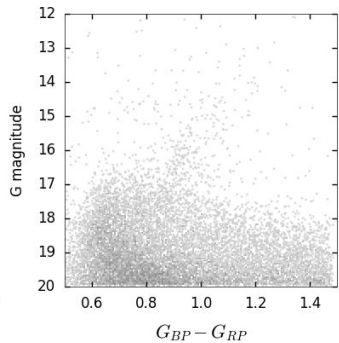
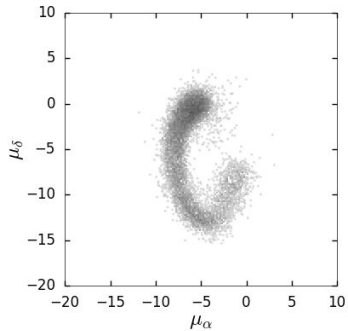
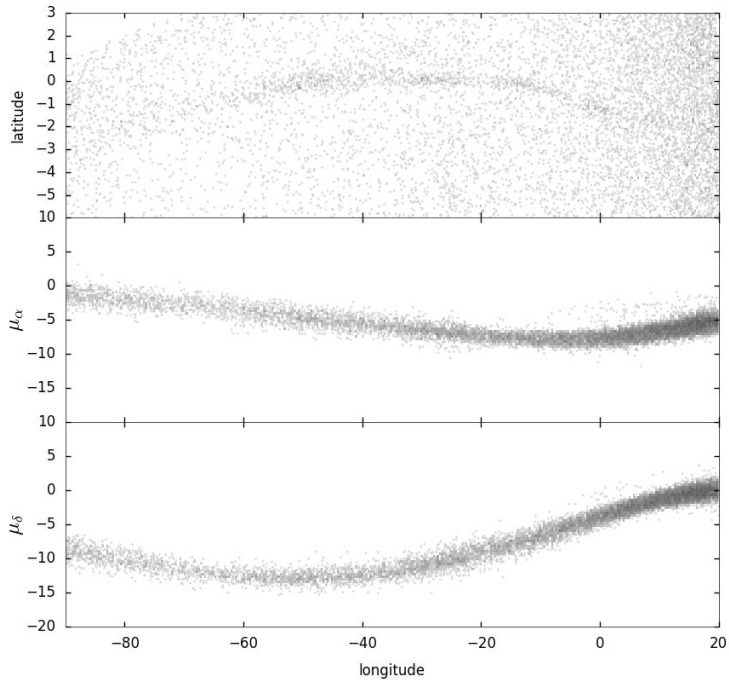
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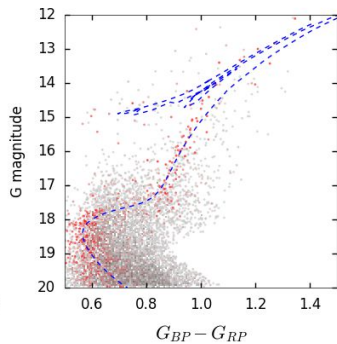
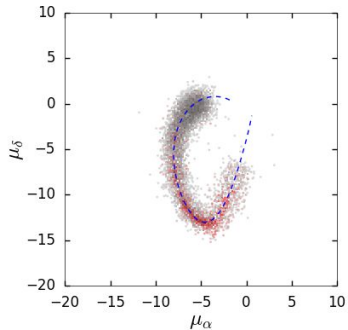
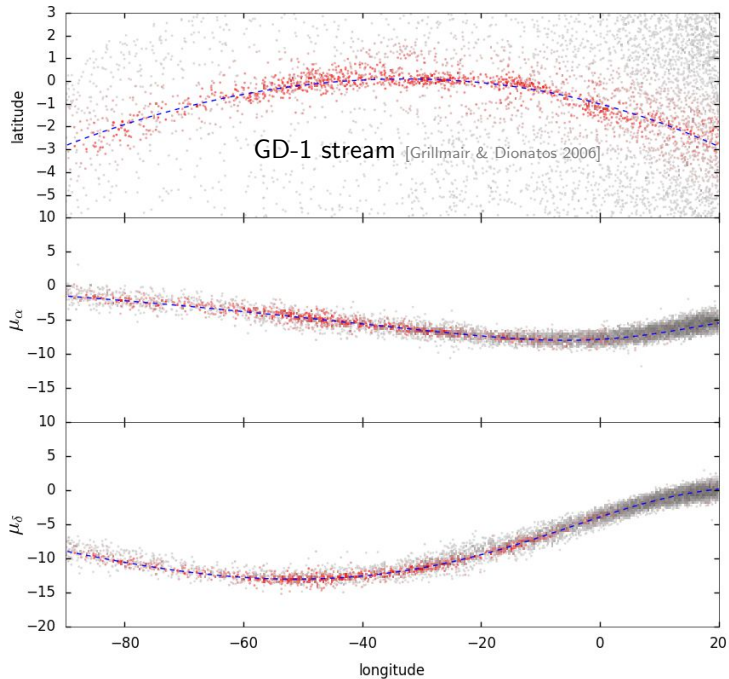
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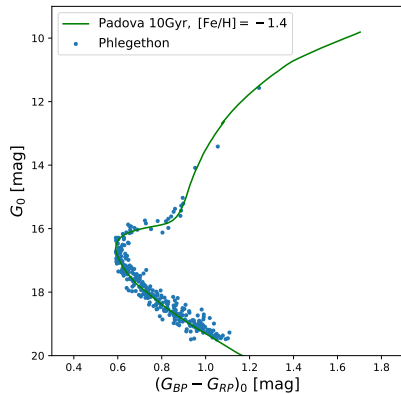
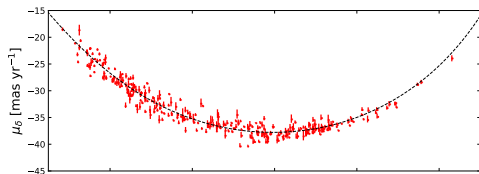
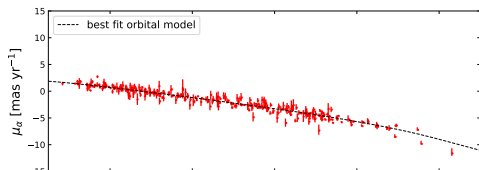
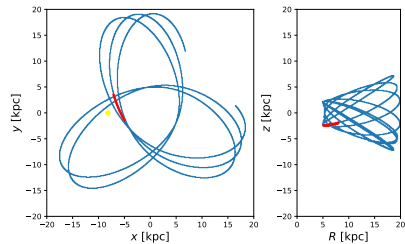
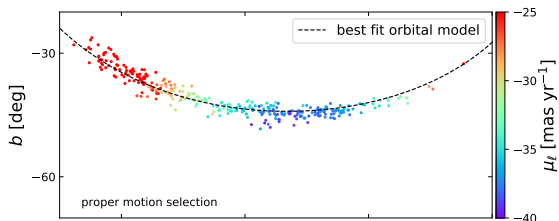


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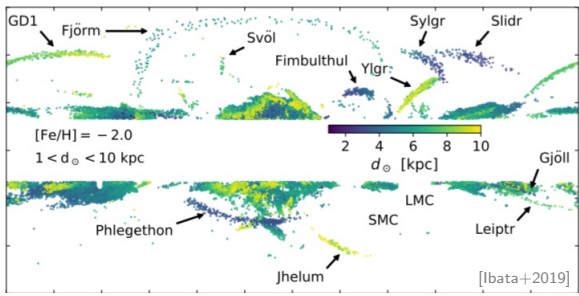


Finding new streams with Gaia

Phlegethon stream [lbata+2018]

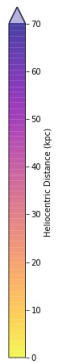
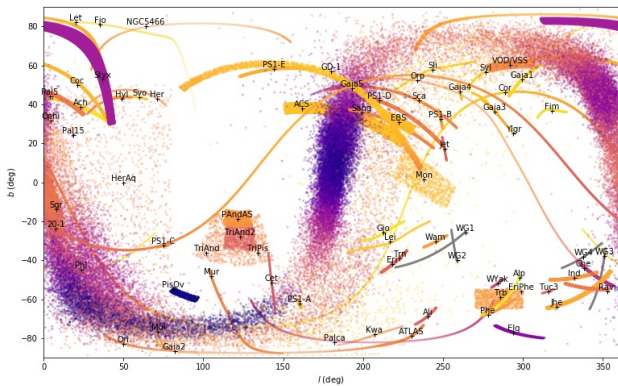


A census of stellar streams in the Milky Way



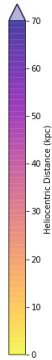
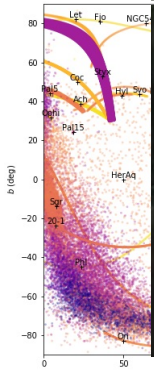
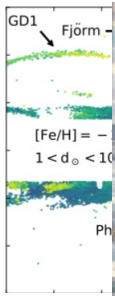
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[C. Mateu, GalStream database]

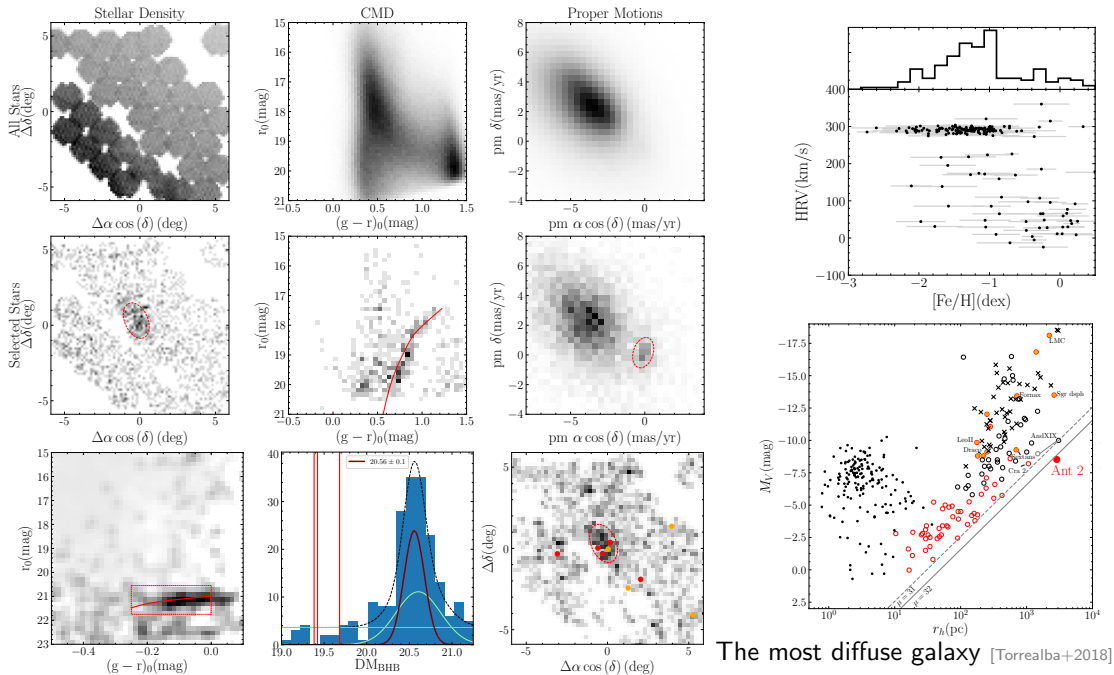
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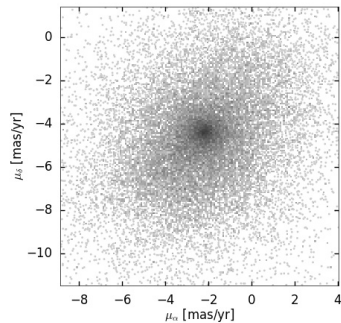
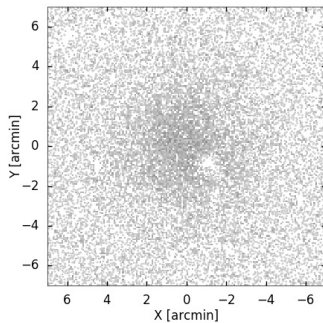
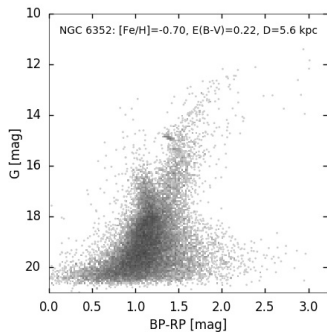
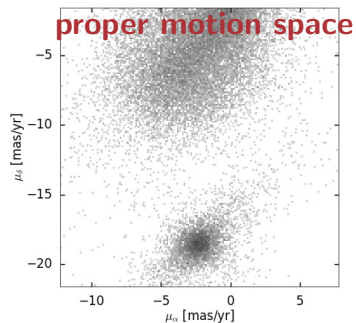
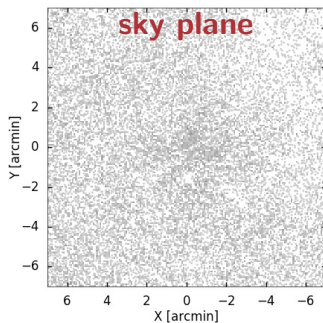
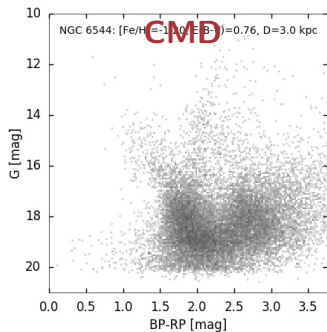
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Finding new satellite galaxies with Gaia: Antlia 2

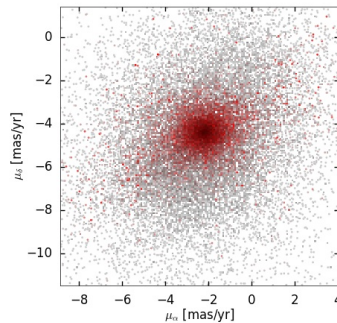
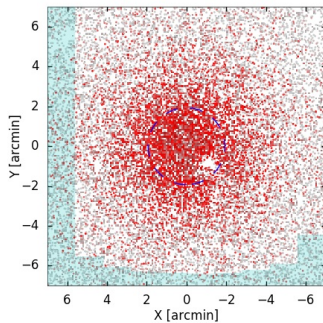
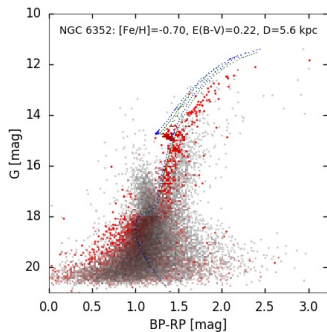
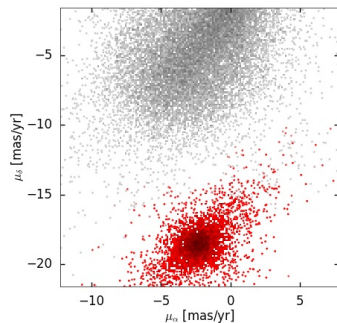
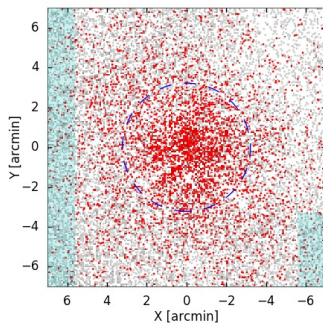
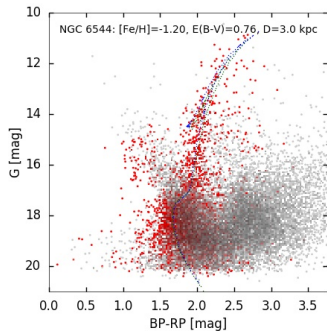


The most diffuse galaxy [Torrealba+2018]

Determination of cluster membership



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Probabilistic membership determination

A hard cutoff in PM space is not always possible and is conceptually unsatisfactory.

A more mathematically well-grounded alternative: gaussian mixture modelling.

$$f(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i) = q \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i | \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{\text{cl}}, \Sigma_{\text{cl};i}) + (1 - q) \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i | \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{\text{fg}}, \Sigma_{\text{fg};i})$$

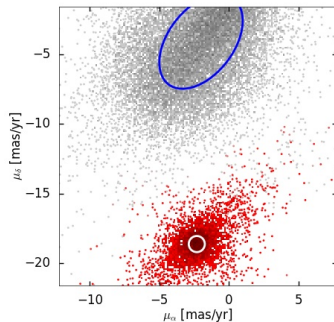
$$\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu} | \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}, \Sigma) \equiv \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\mu} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^T \Sigma^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}})\right]}{2\pi \sqrt{\det \Sigma}},$$

where the mean PMs $\overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ and dispersions Σ of the cluster and foreground distributions, and the fraction of cluster members q , are all inferred by

maximizing the likelihood of the observed stellar PMs $\ln \mathcal{L} \equiv \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\text{stars}}} \ln f(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i)$.

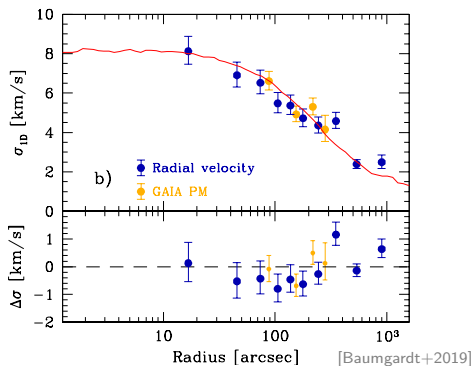
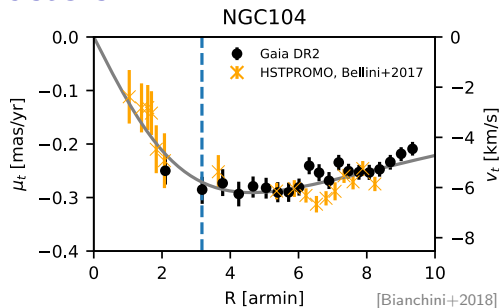
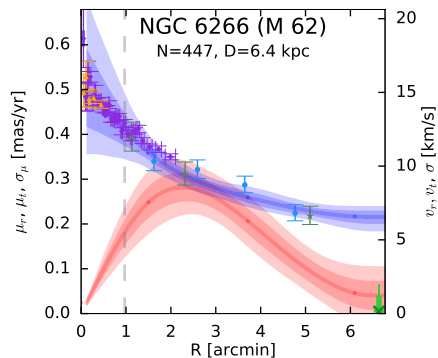
Posterior membership probability for each star:

$$p_{\text{cl};i} = \frac{q_{\text{cl}}(\mathbf{r}_i) \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i | \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{\text{cl}}, \Sigma_{\text{cl};i})}{q_{\text{cl}}(\mathbf{r}_i) \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i | \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{\text{cl}}, \Sigma_{\text{cl};i}) + [1 - q_{\text{cl}}(\mathbf{r}_i)] \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i | \overline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}_{\text{fg}}, \Sigma_{\text{fg};i})}$$



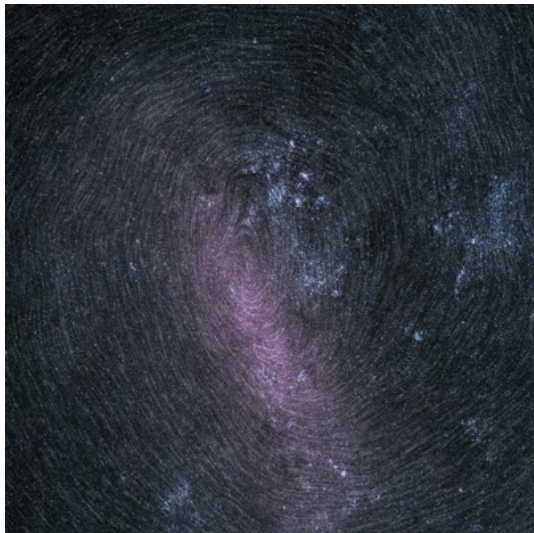
Internal kinematics of globular clusters

Rotation found in $\sim 10 - 20$ clusters,
transverse velocity dispersion measured
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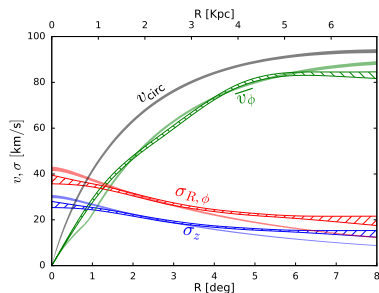
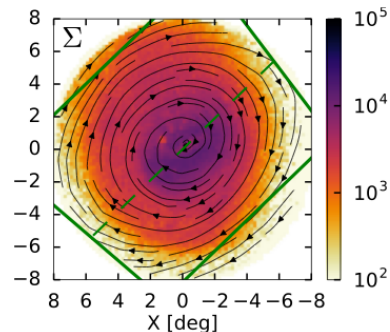


Internal kinematics of the Large Magellanic Cloud

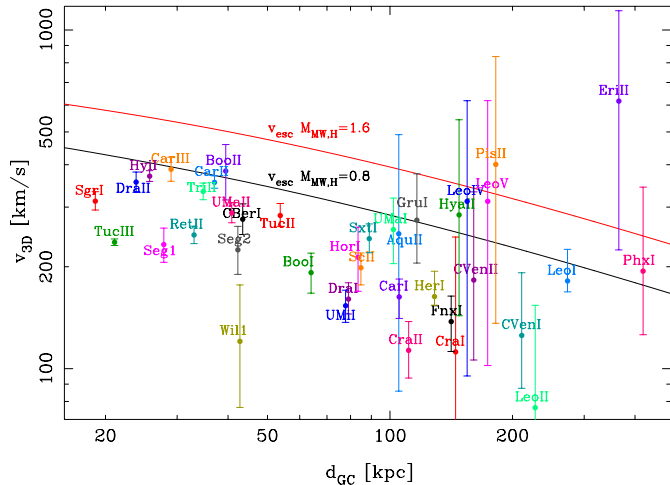
rotation, velocity dispersion from $\sim 10^6$ stars at 50 kpc



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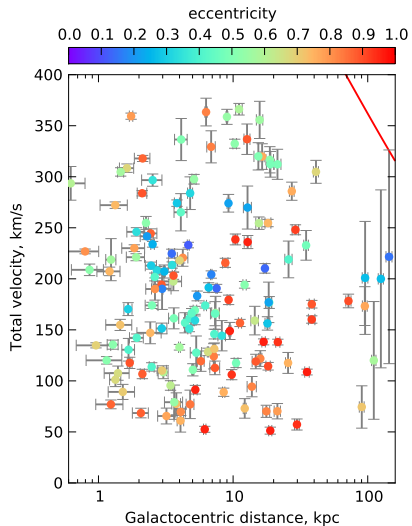


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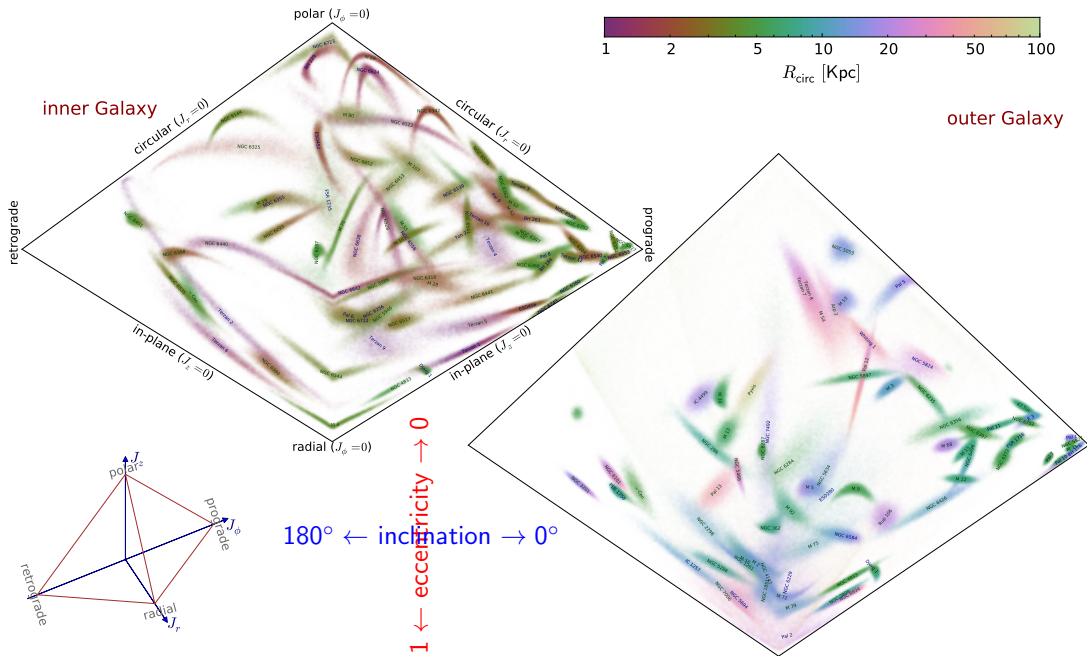


[Fritz+2018, see also Simon 2018; Pace & Li 2018; Massari & Helmi 2018]

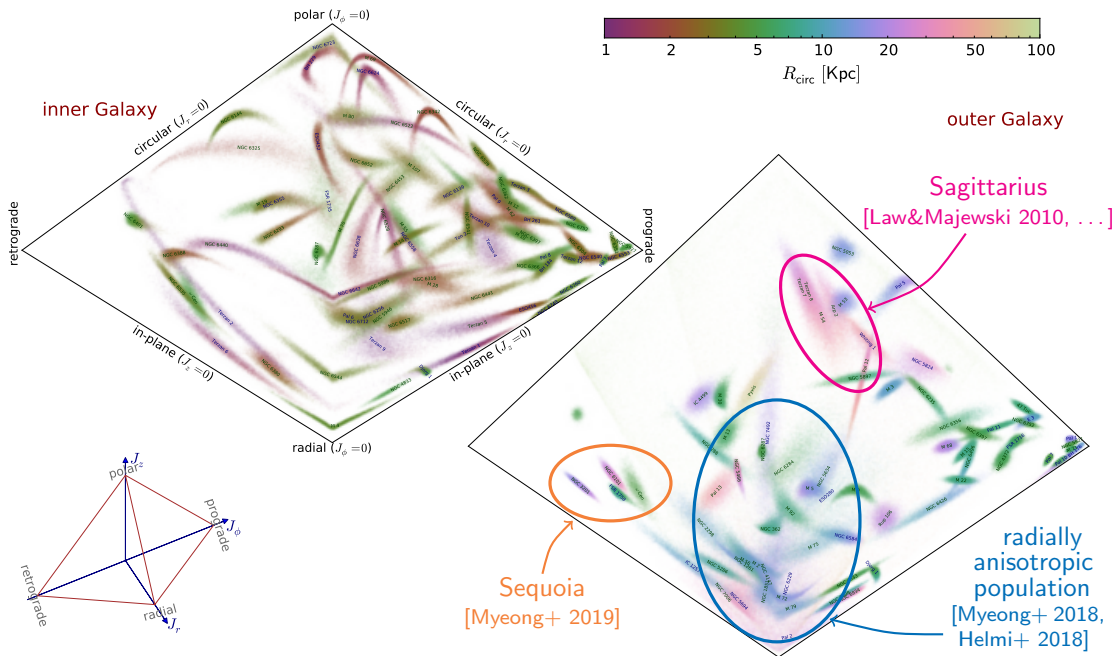
Globular clusters



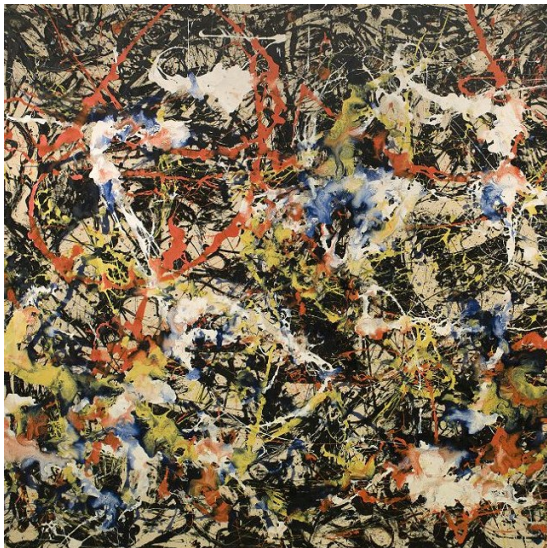
Distribution of globular clusters in action space



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Jackson Pollock, "Convergence"



Kliment Redko, "Uprising"

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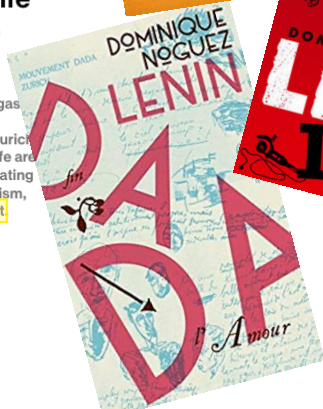
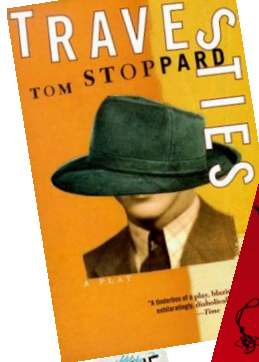
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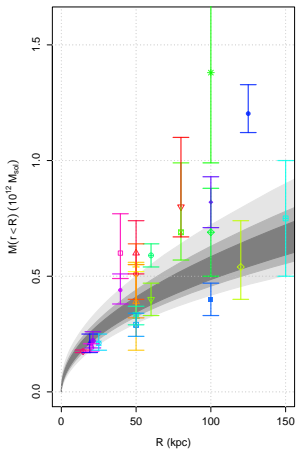
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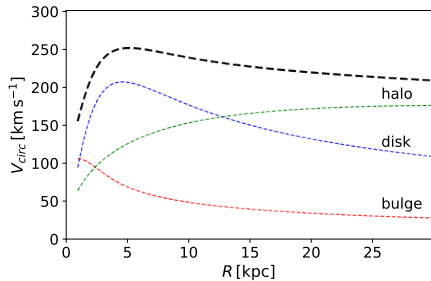
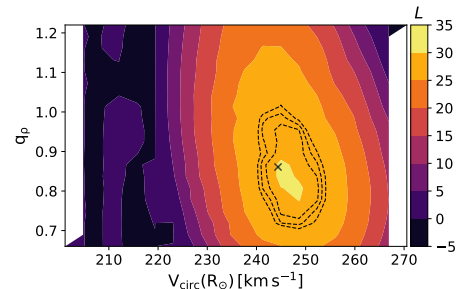
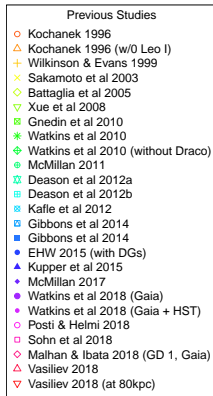


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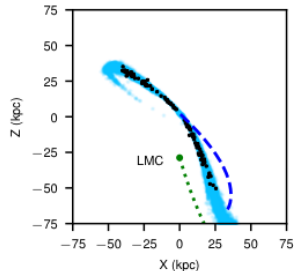
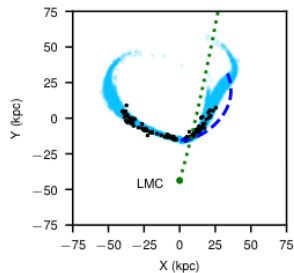
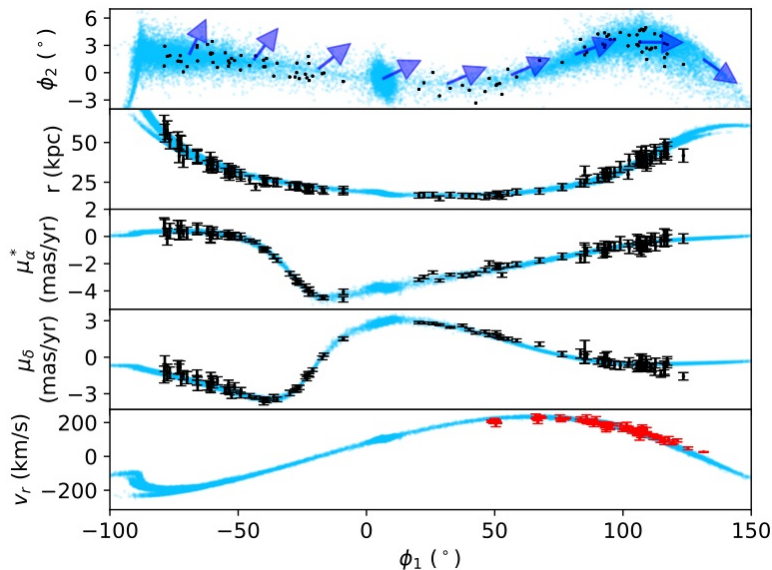
Globular cluster dynamics

[Eadie & Juric 2018; see also Watkins+2018; Posti & Helmi 2018]



GD-1 stream [Malhan & Ibata 2018]

Constraining the mass of the Large Magellanic Cloud



5d kinematics of the Orphan stream deflected by LMC flyby [Erkal+2018]

Summary

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