

The **odd** distribution of **dwarf** galaxies in the **Local** Neighbourhood



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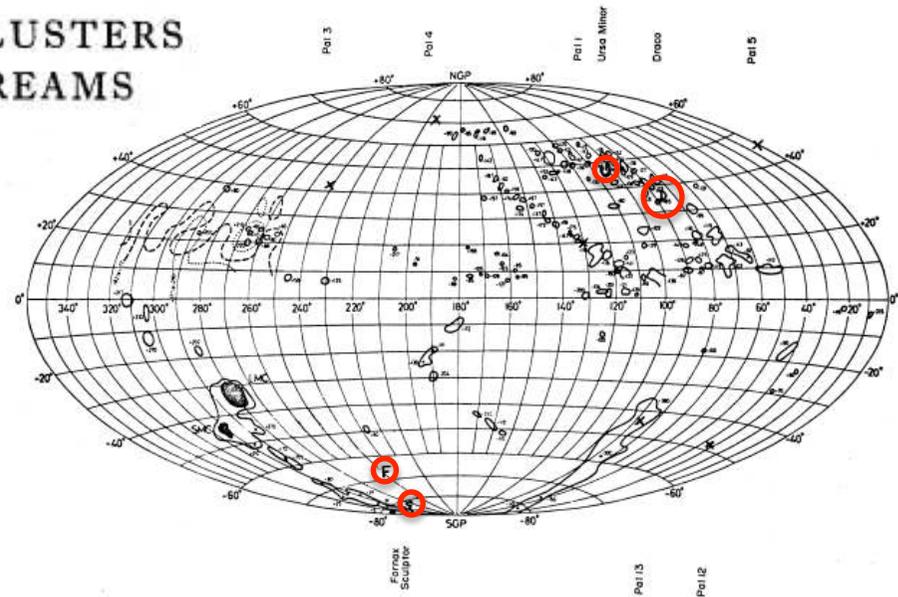
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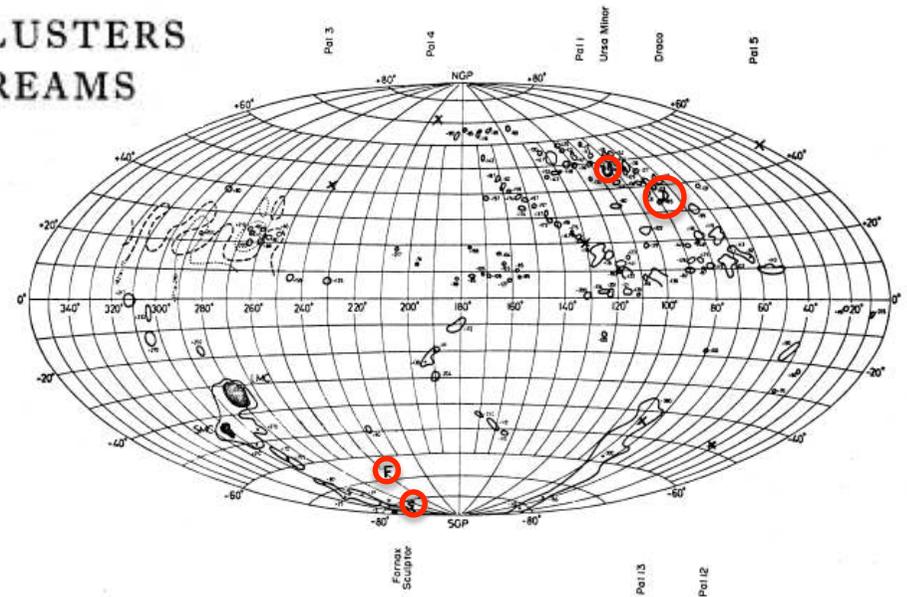
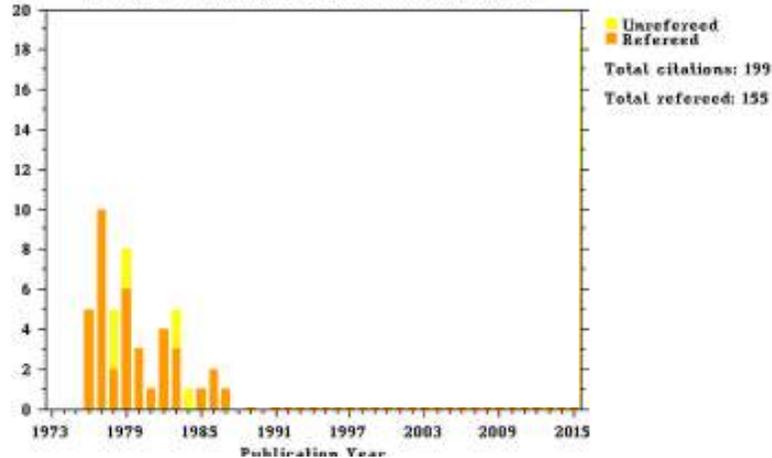
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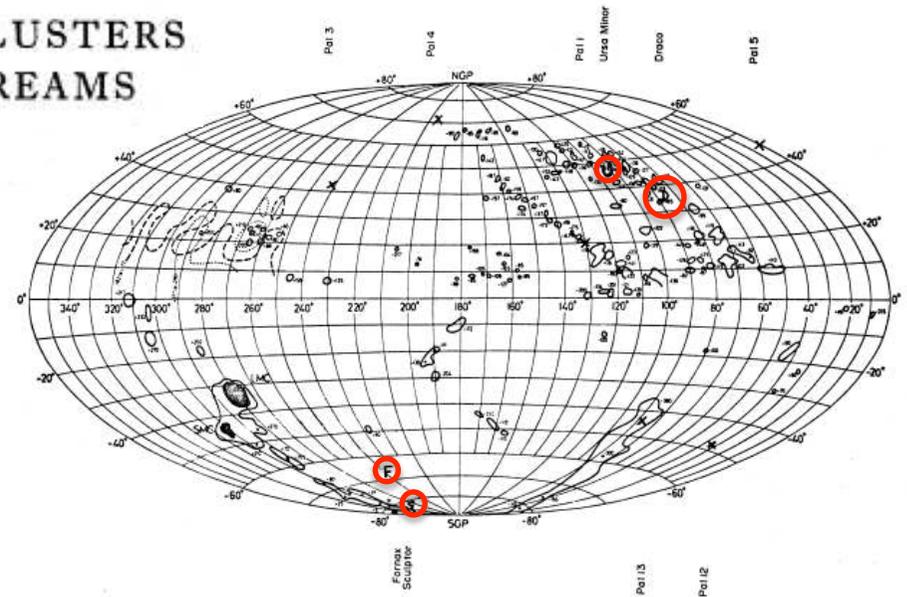
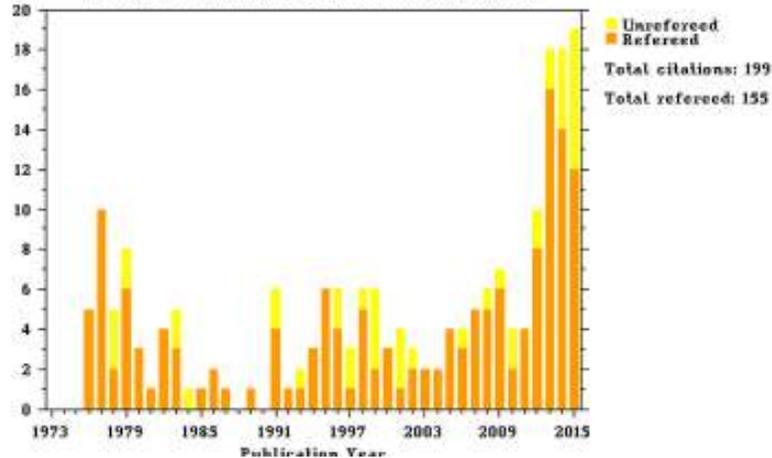
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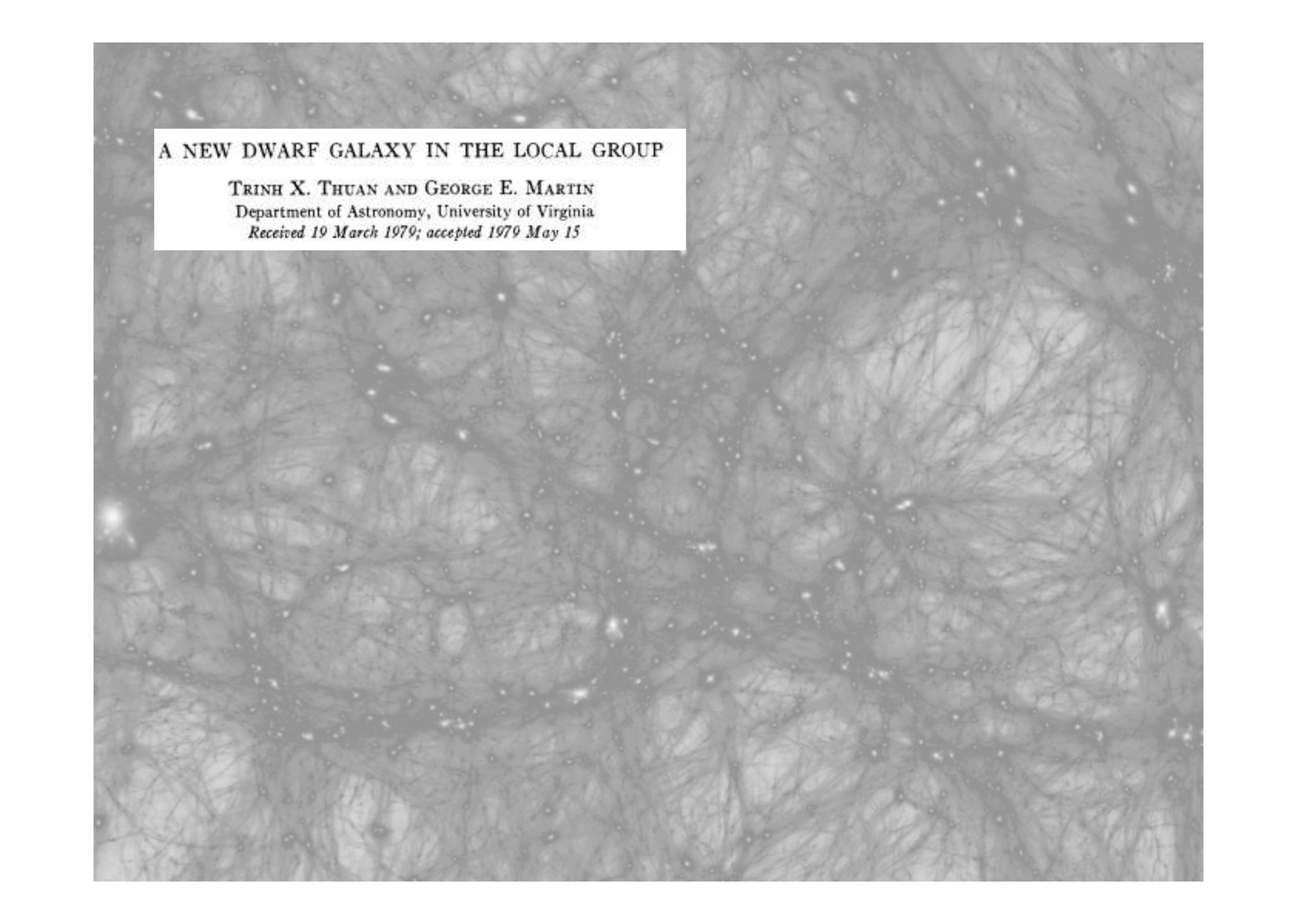
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The background of the entire page is a grayscale astronomical image showing a dense field of stars. The stars vary in brightness and size, with some appearing as distinct points of light and others as fainter, more diffuse spots. The overall appearance is that of a rich star cluster or a nearby galaxy.

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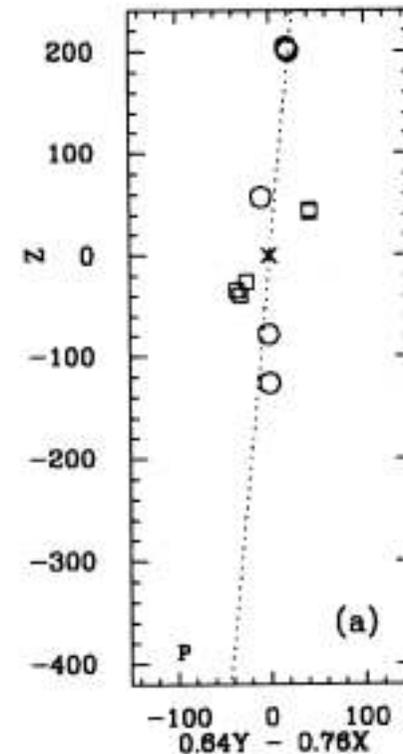
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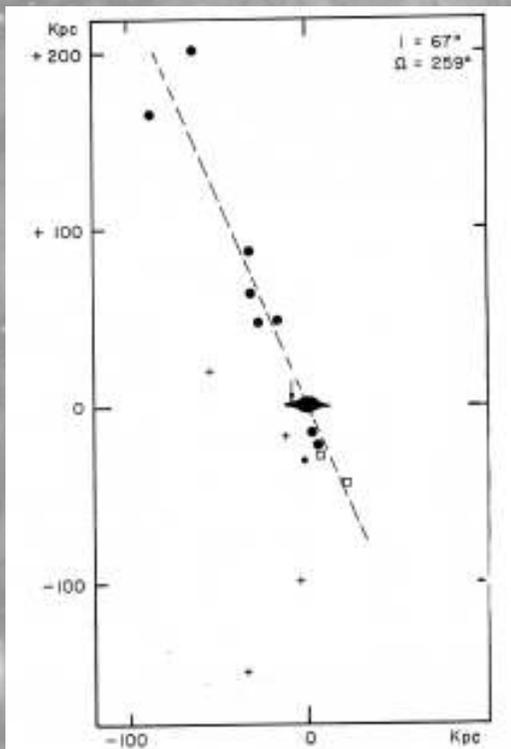


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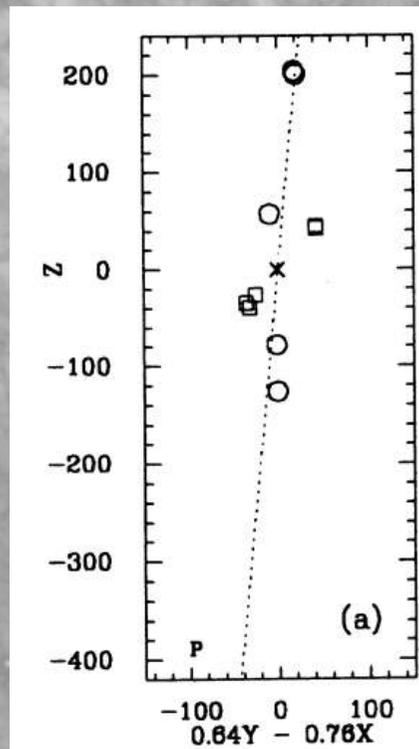
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Planes of dwarfs – a problem since 1976

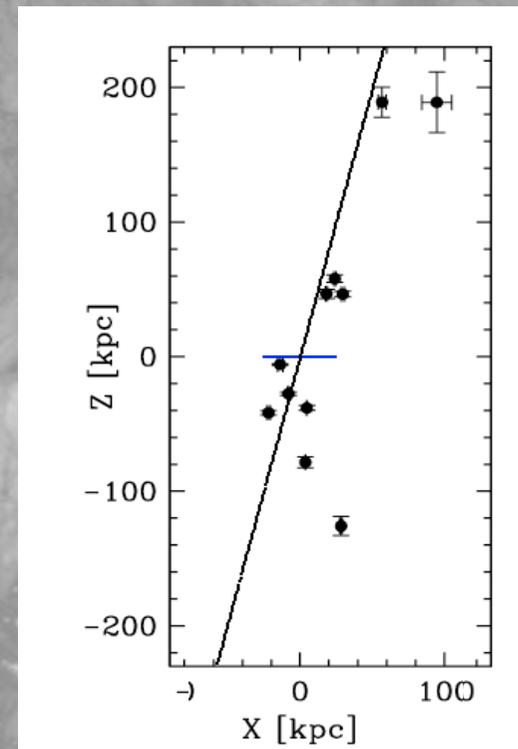
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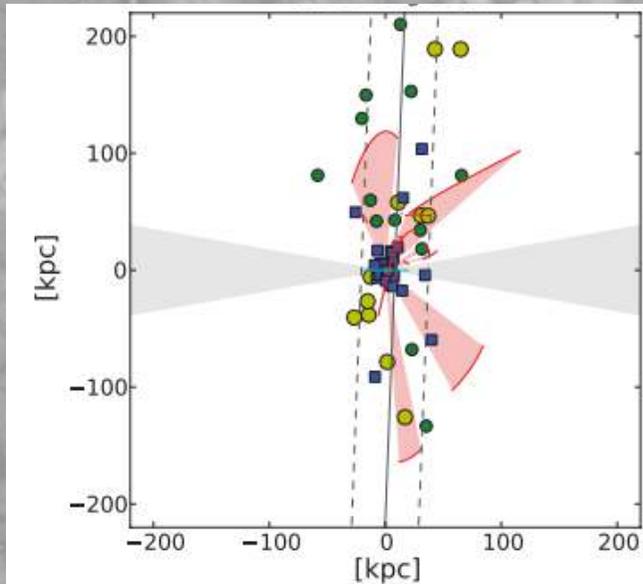
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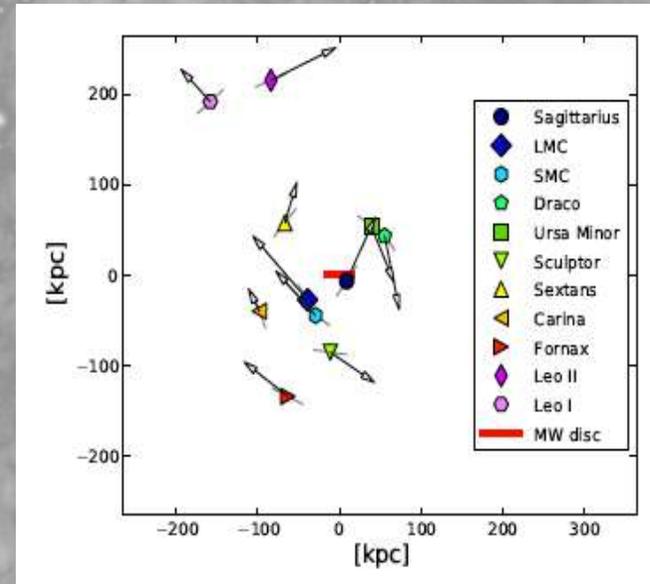
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Milky Way – Vast Polar Orbiting structure (VPOS)



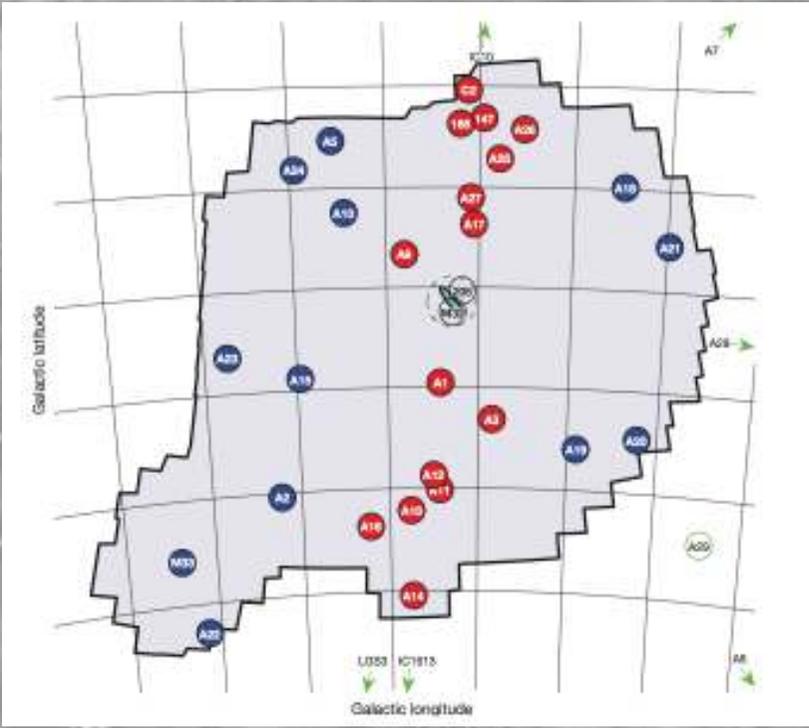
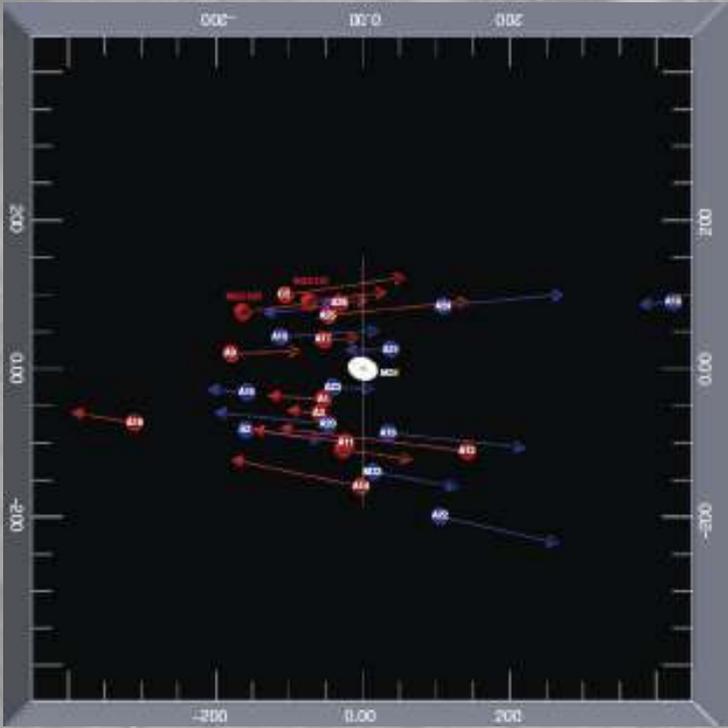
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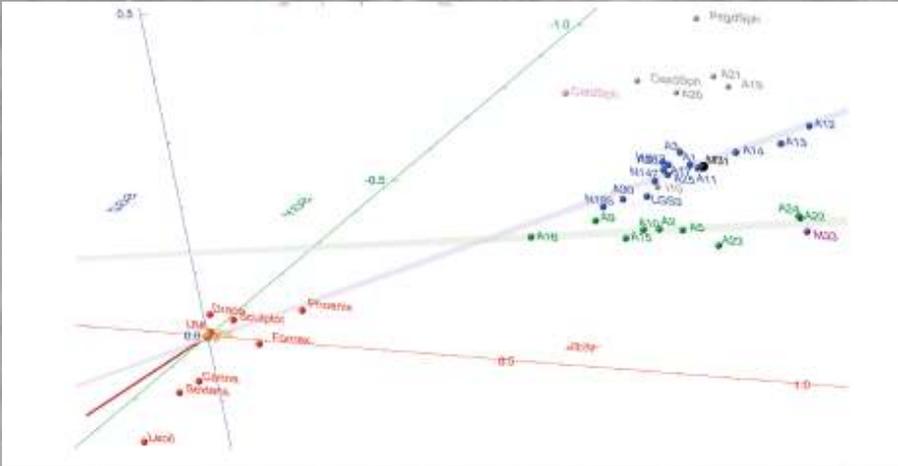
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$c/a \sim 0.15$
 $\Delta_{\text{rms}} = 24 \text{ kpc}$

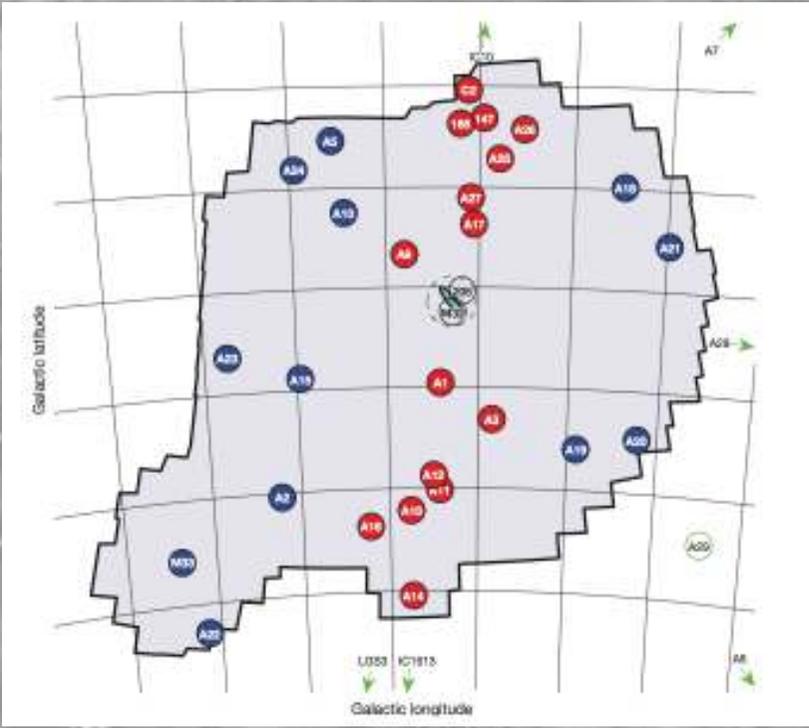
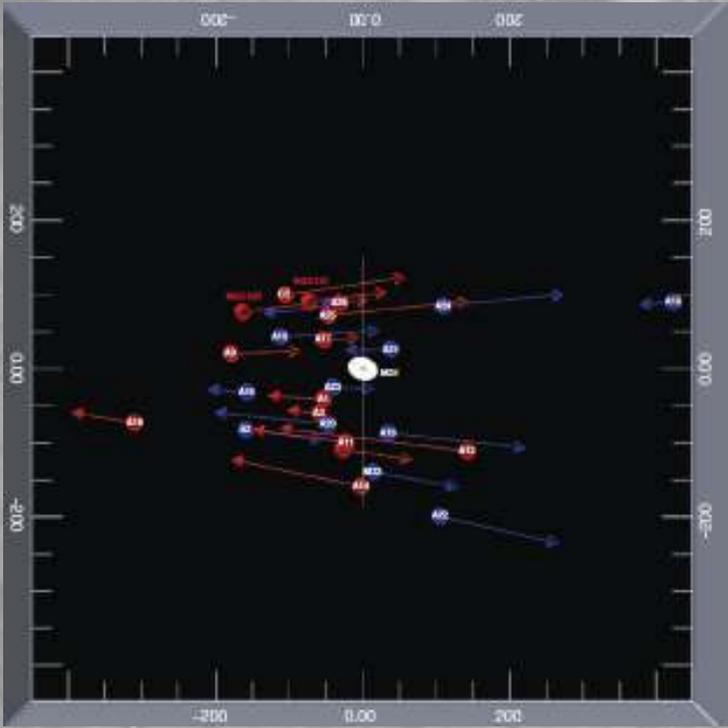
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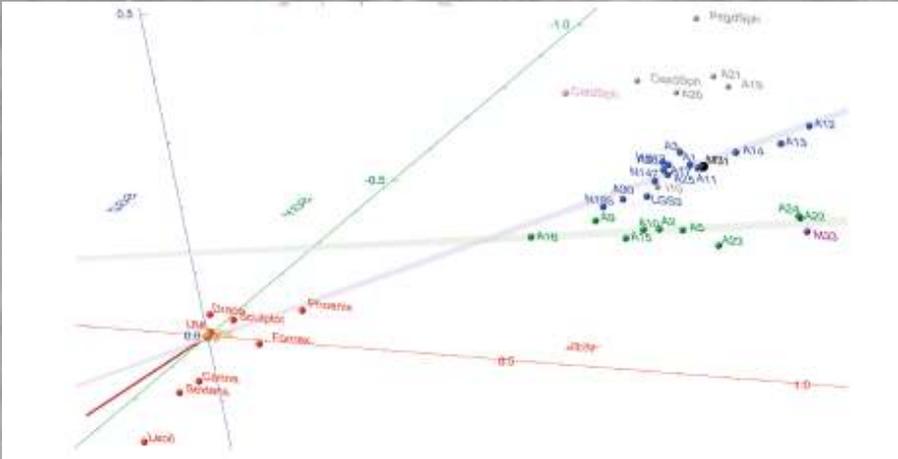
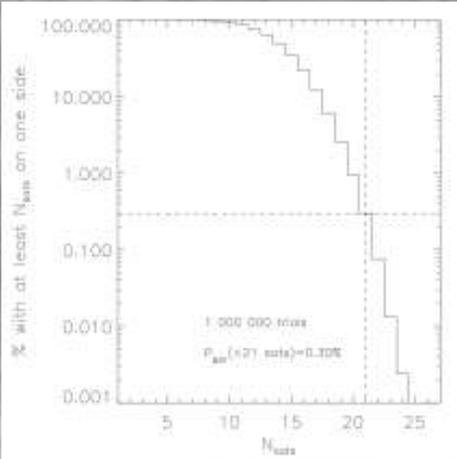
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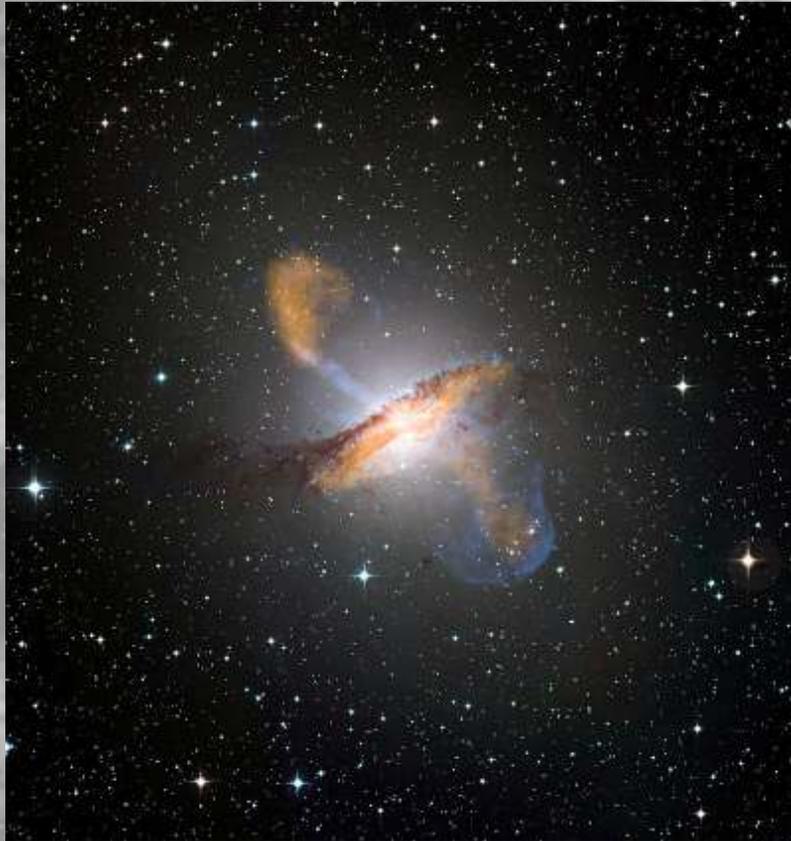
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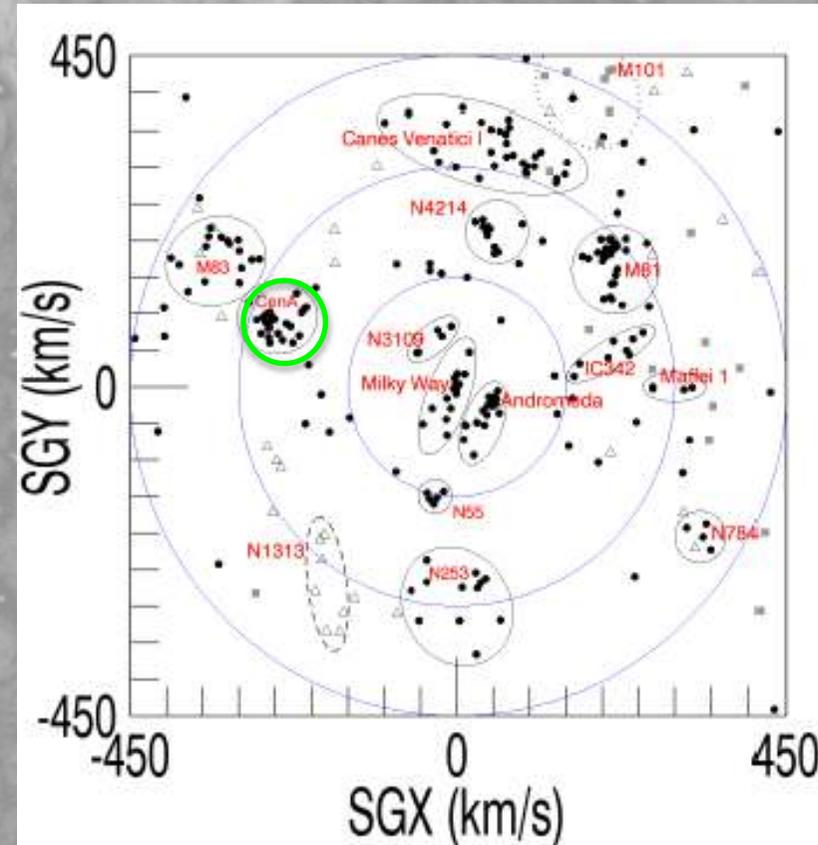
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See also Pawlowski et al

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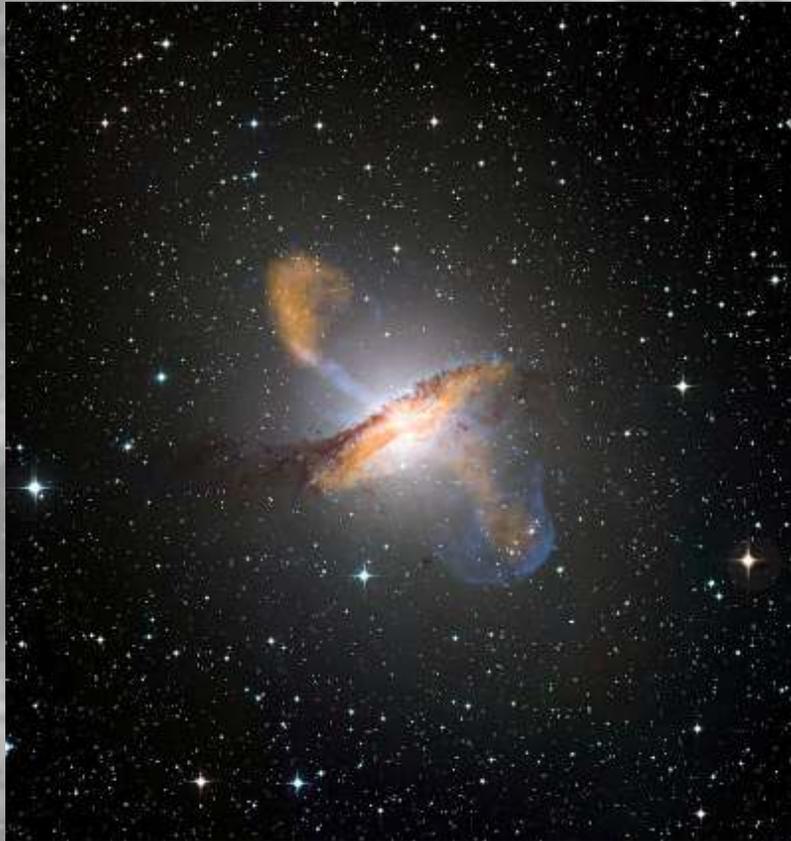
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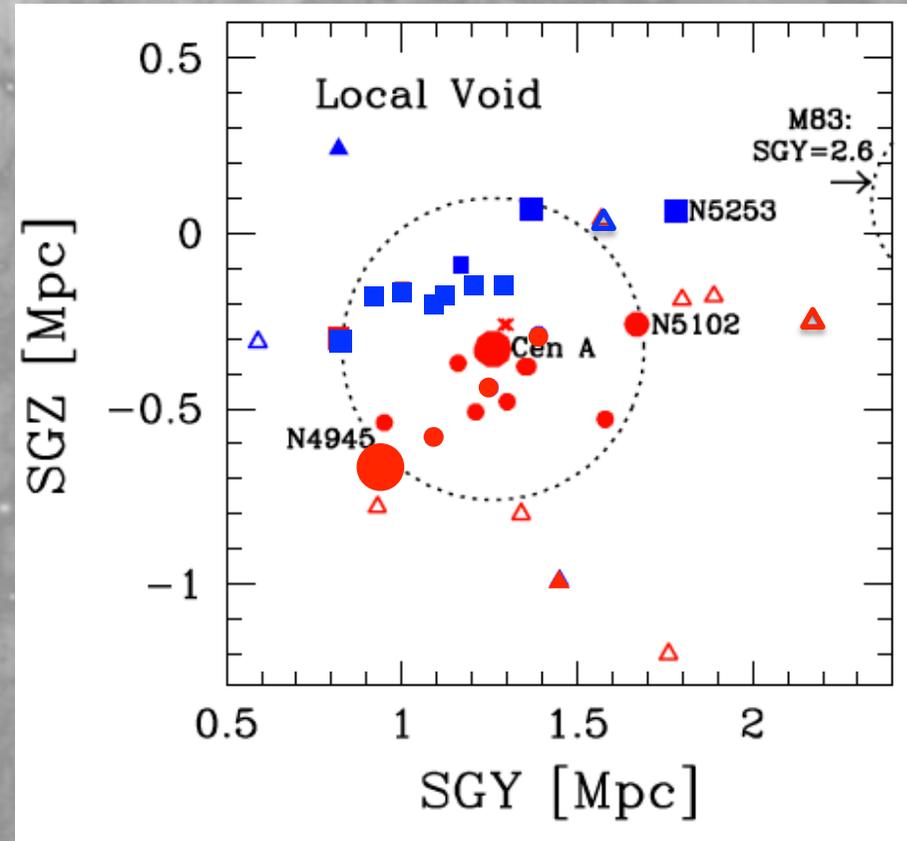
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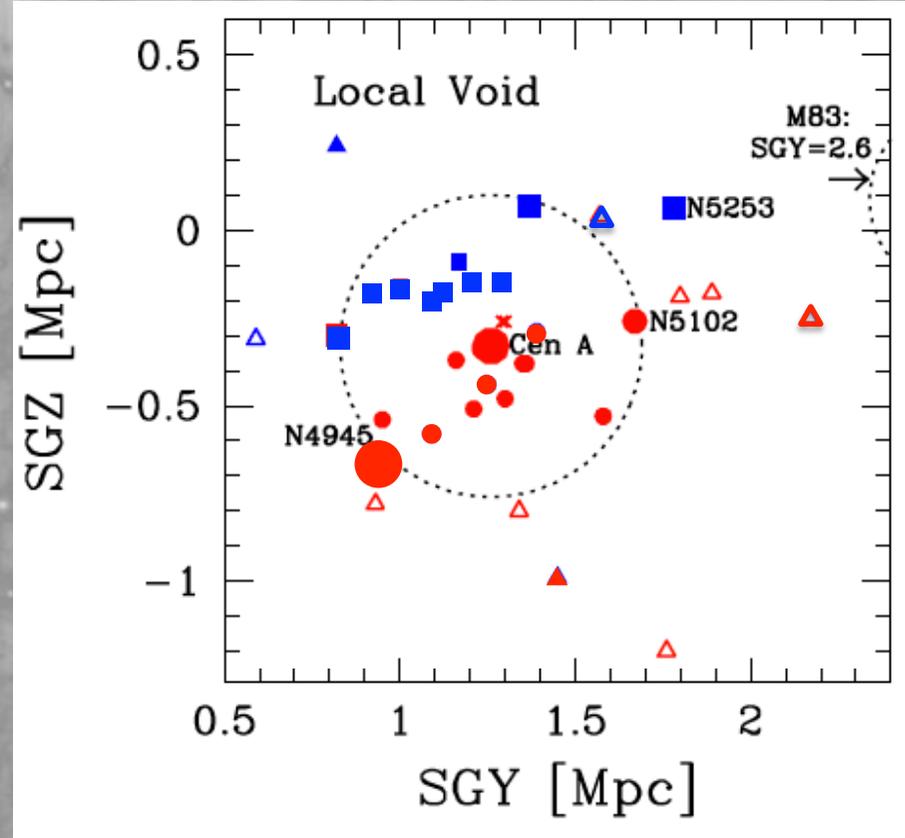
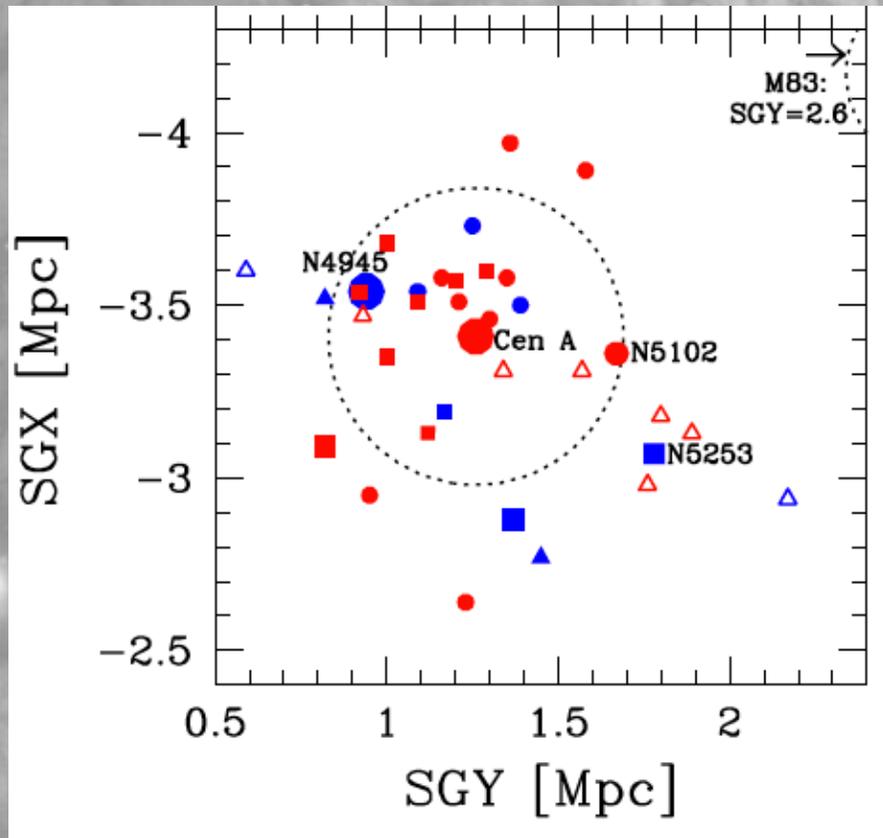


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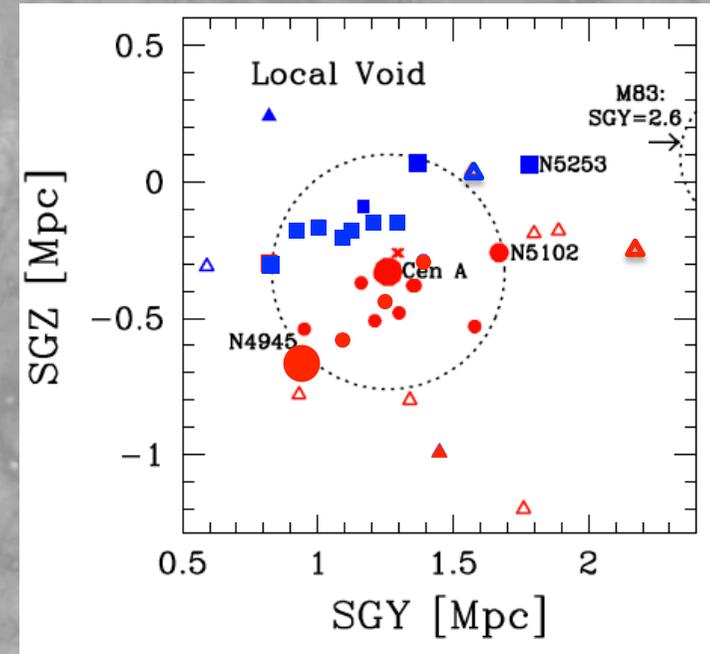
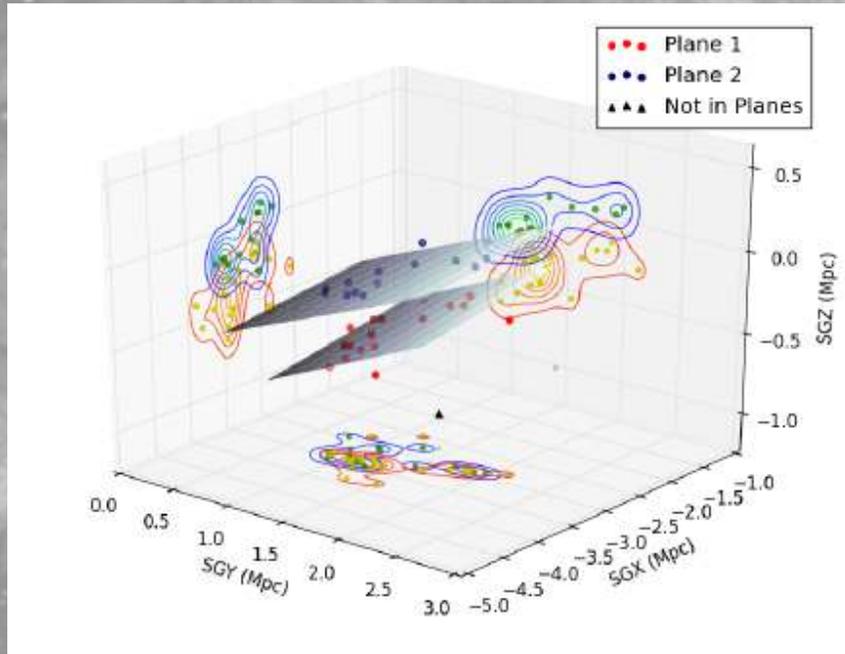
Centaurus A Planes



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- ▲ Not in Plane
- ▲ No known distance

Centaurus A Planes



	Plane 1 (all)	Plane 1 (good)	Plane 2 (all)	Plane 2 (good)
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b_{rms}	287 kpc	203 kpc	200 kpc	236 kpc
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c/a	0.2	0.21	0.12	0.19
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36 galaxies in total, 29 with distances

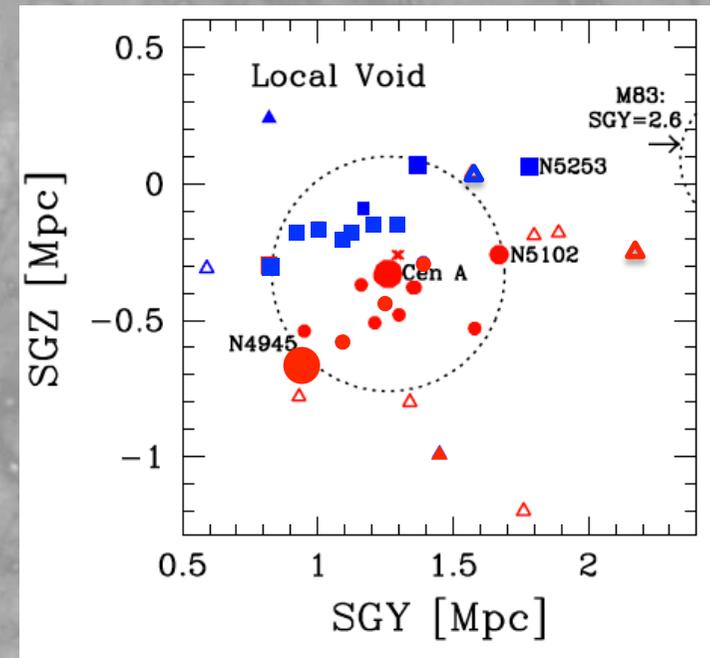
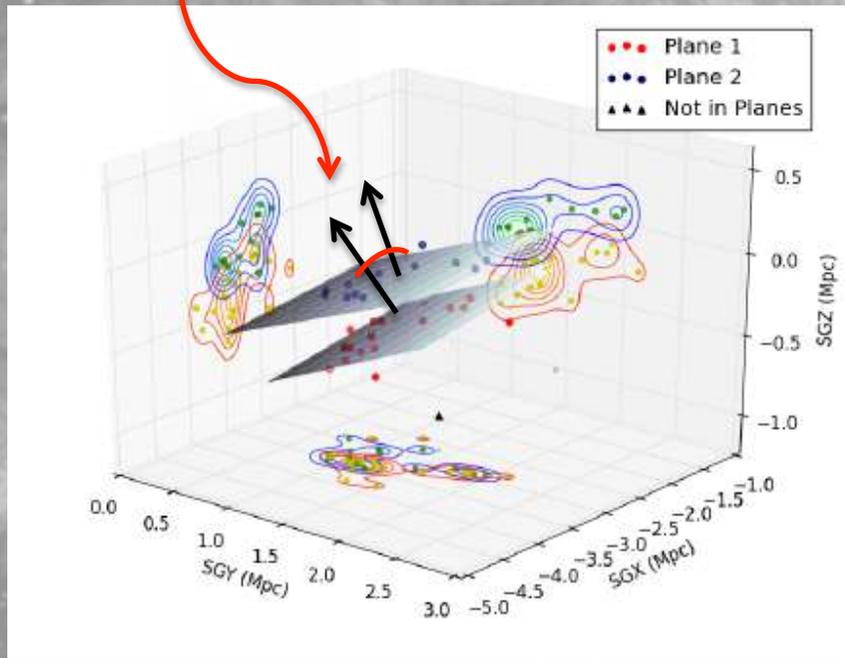
16 in plane 1
11 in plane 2
2 not in either

7 without distances of which
+4 could be Plane 1 and
+2 in plane 2

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7 deg

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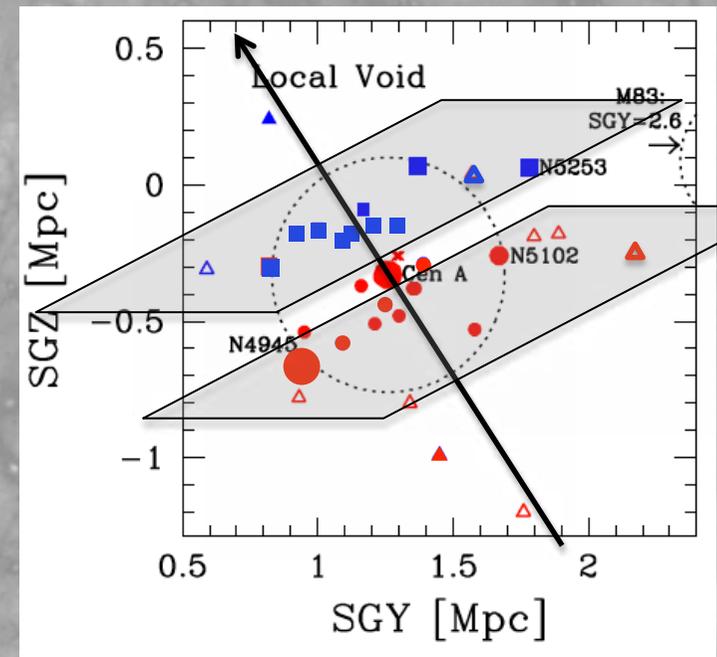
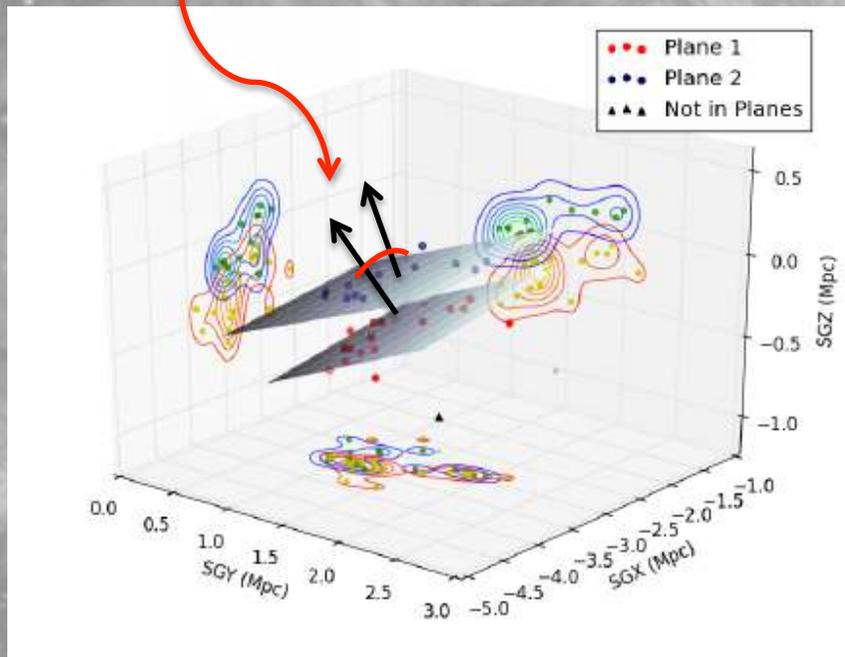
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Distance errors are 5% along the line of sight

3σ accuracy of the n_{CenA} is $\sim \pm 2$ degrees

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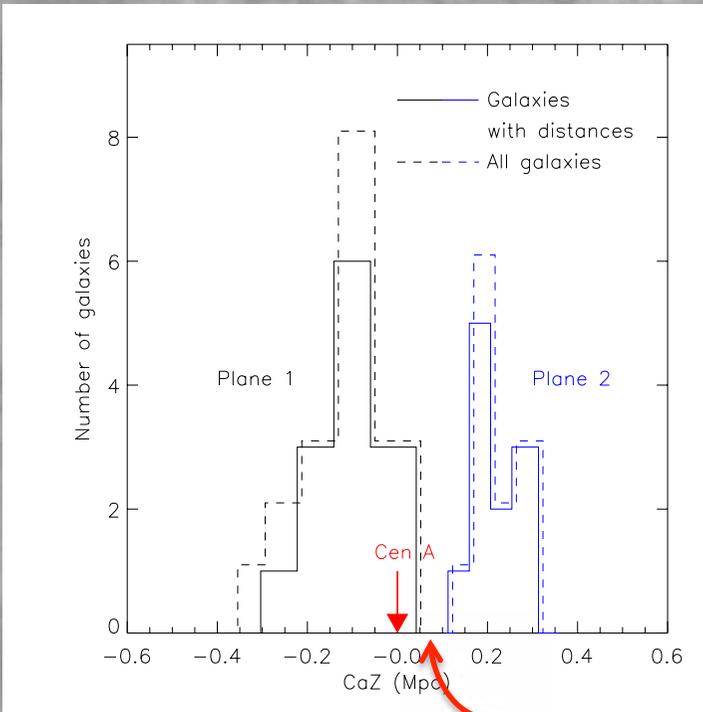
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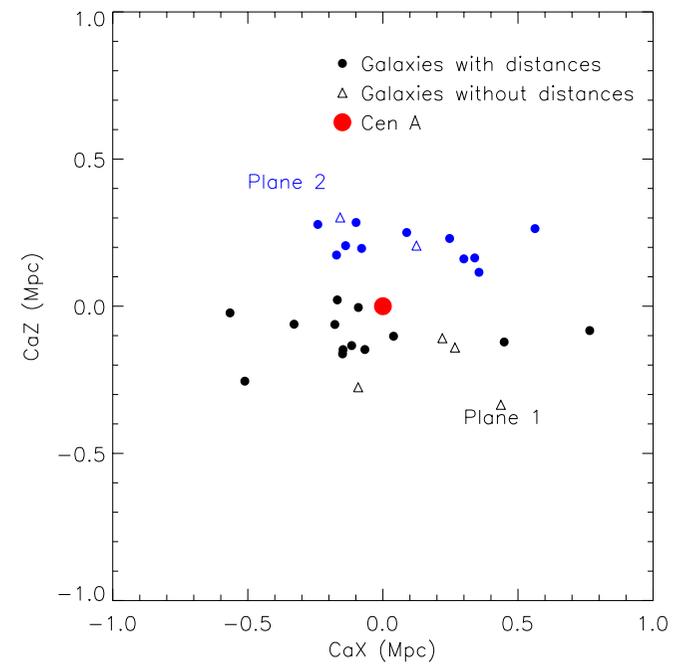
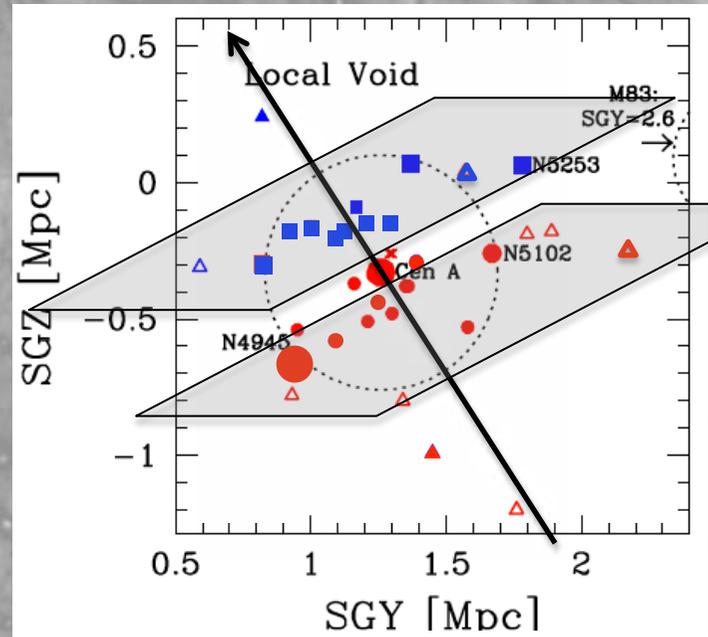
Can fit a single normal to the two parallel planes

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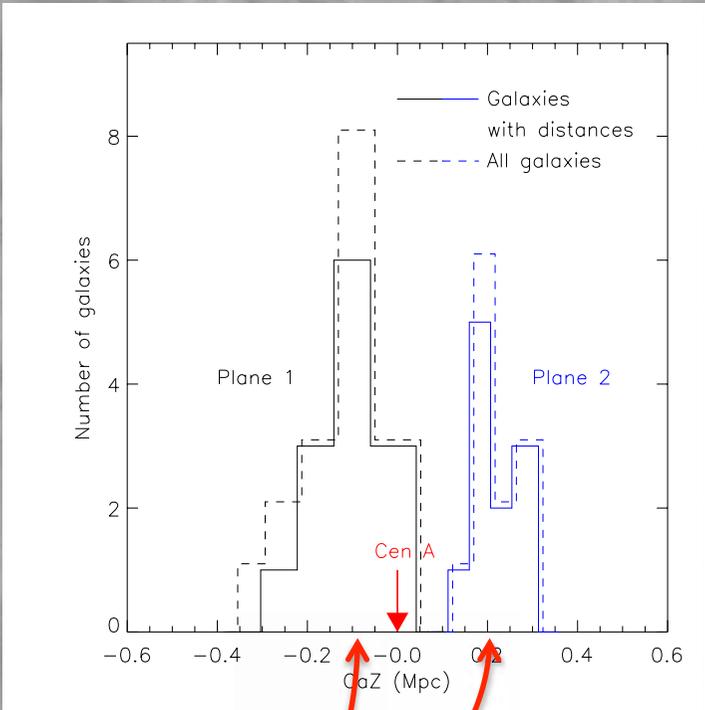


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Around 100kpc between planes



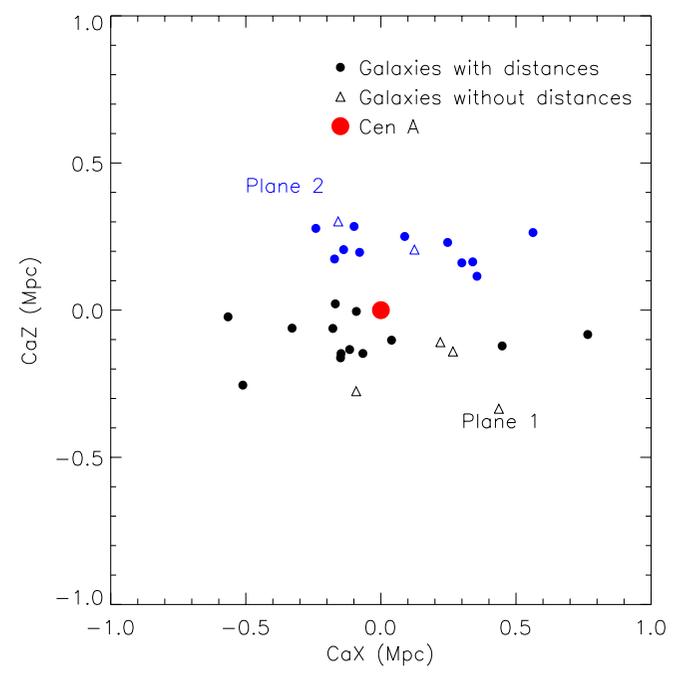
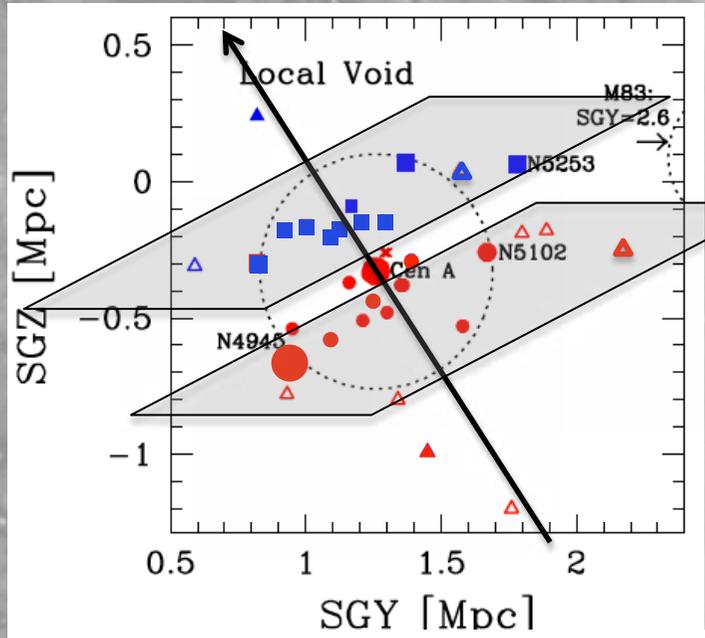
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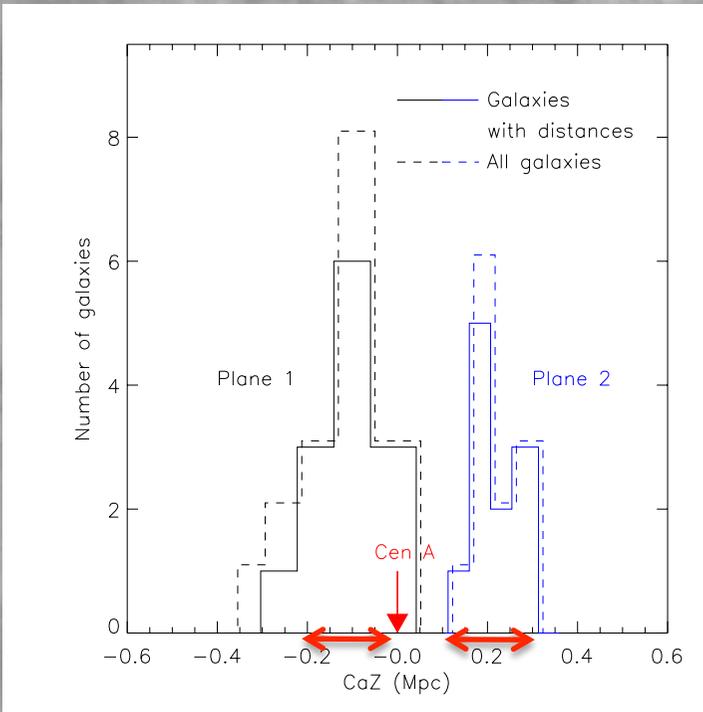
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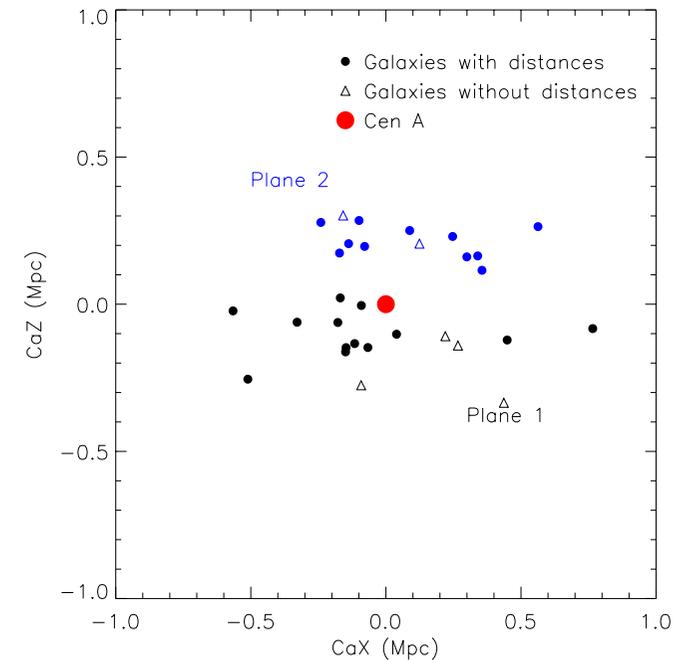
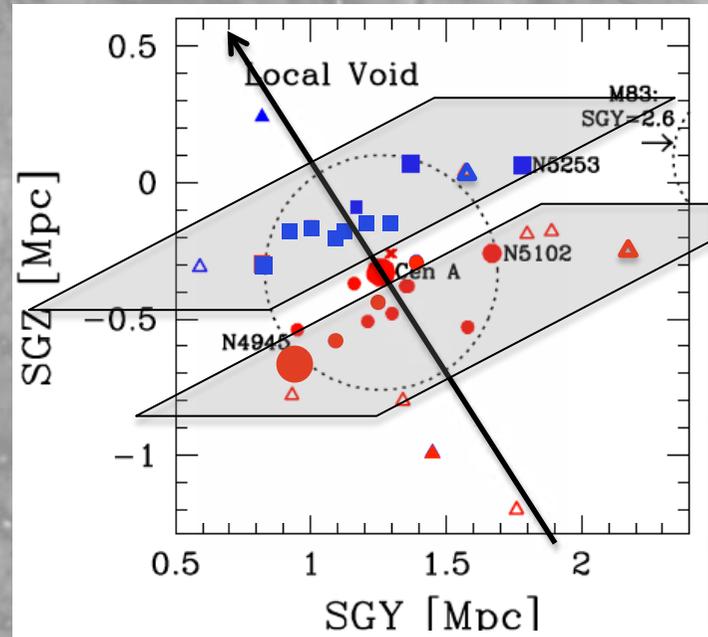


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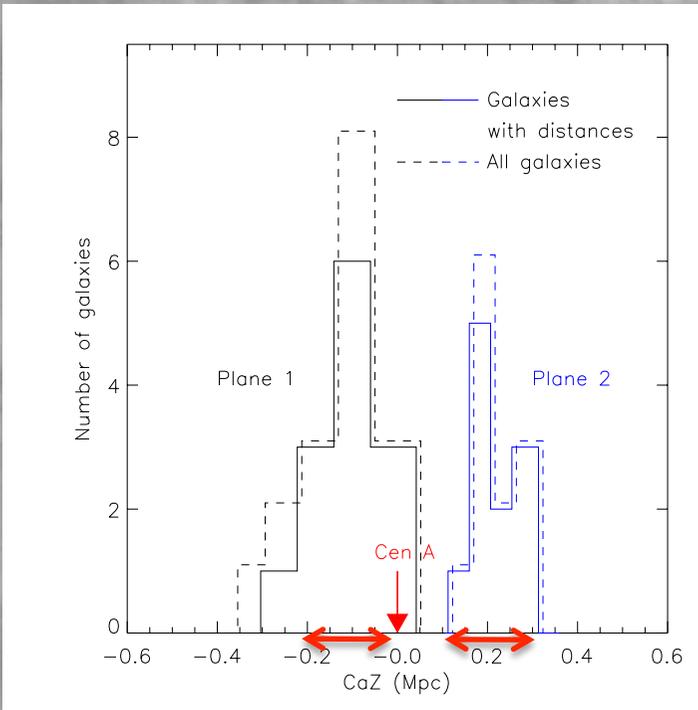
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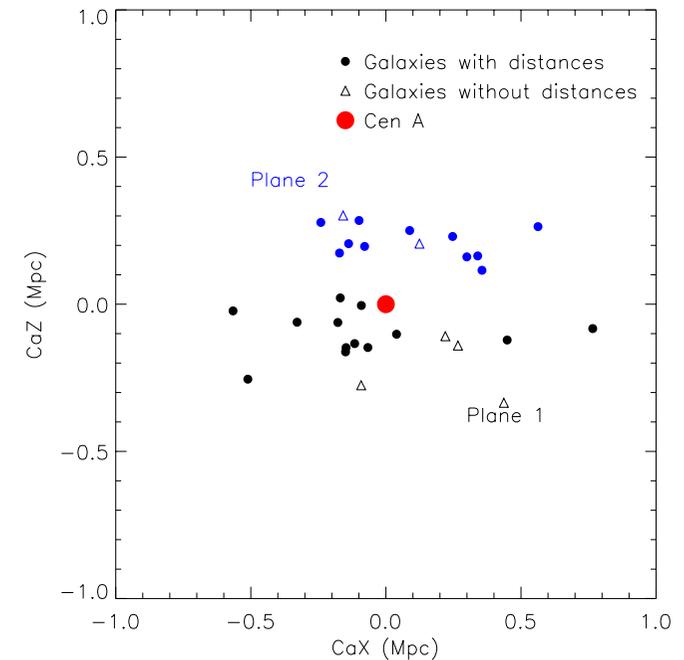
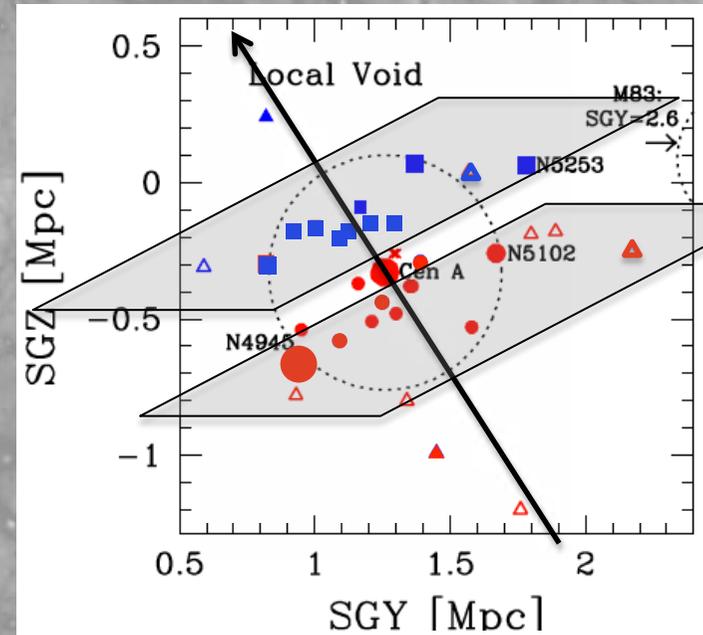
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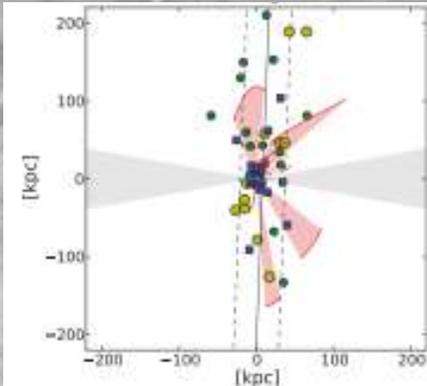
Probability of finding such set ups “by chance” are exceedingly low
~3 out of 10,000



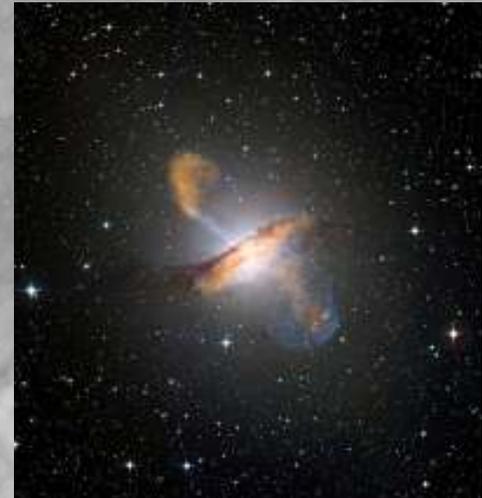
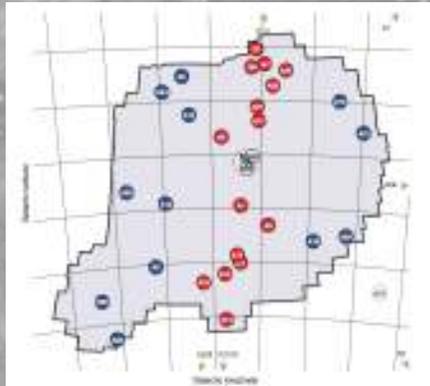
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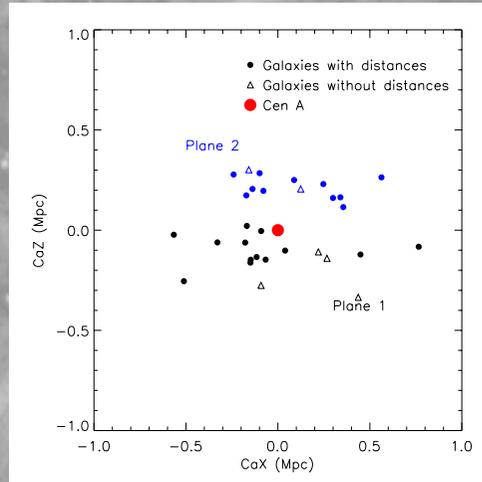
One plane
Co-rotating
 $c/a \sim 0.15$



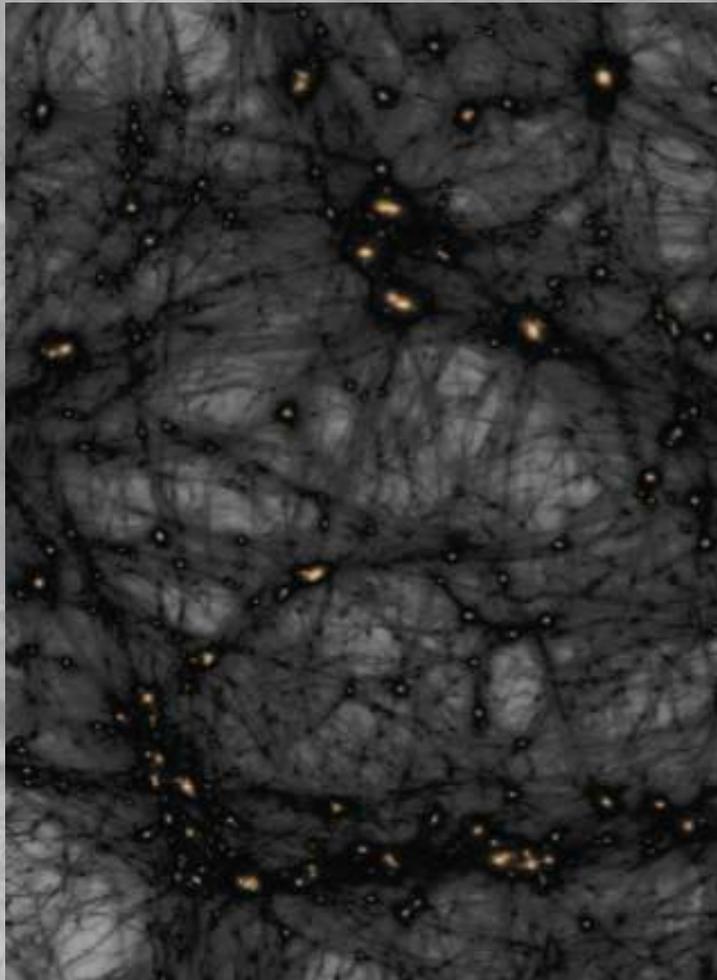
Two parallel planes
One co-rotating
 $c/a \sim 0.17$



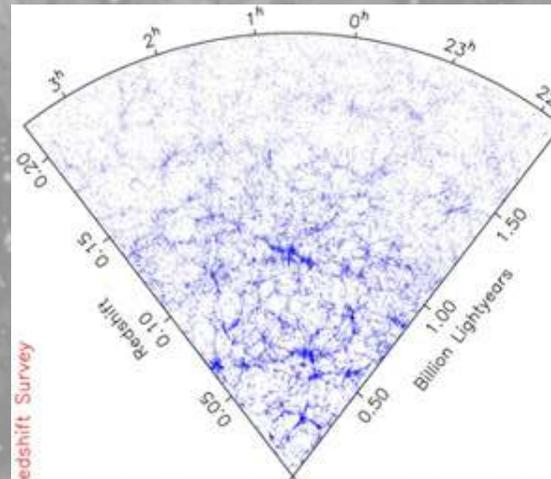
Two parallel planes
co-rotating?
 $c/a \sim 0.2$



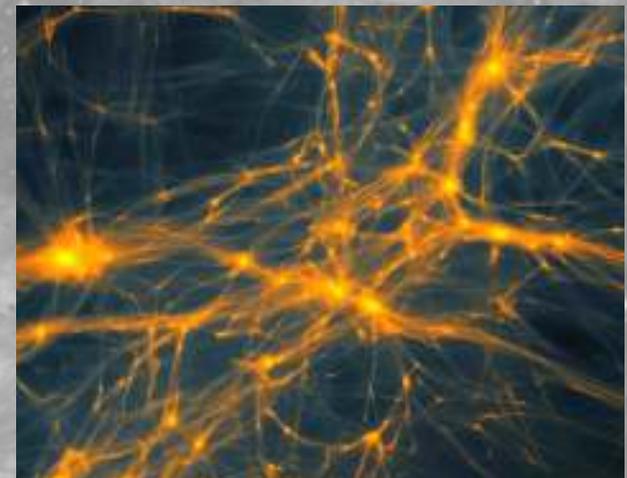
Is the *cosmic web* responsible for these planes of satellite galaxies



Libeskind 2014



2df GRS

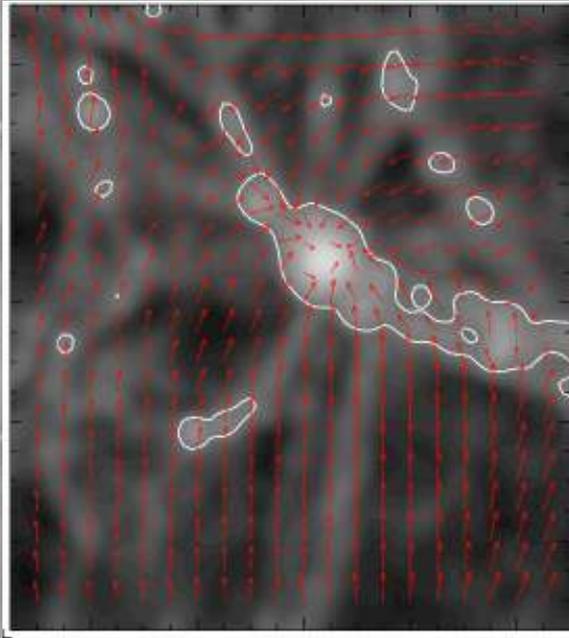


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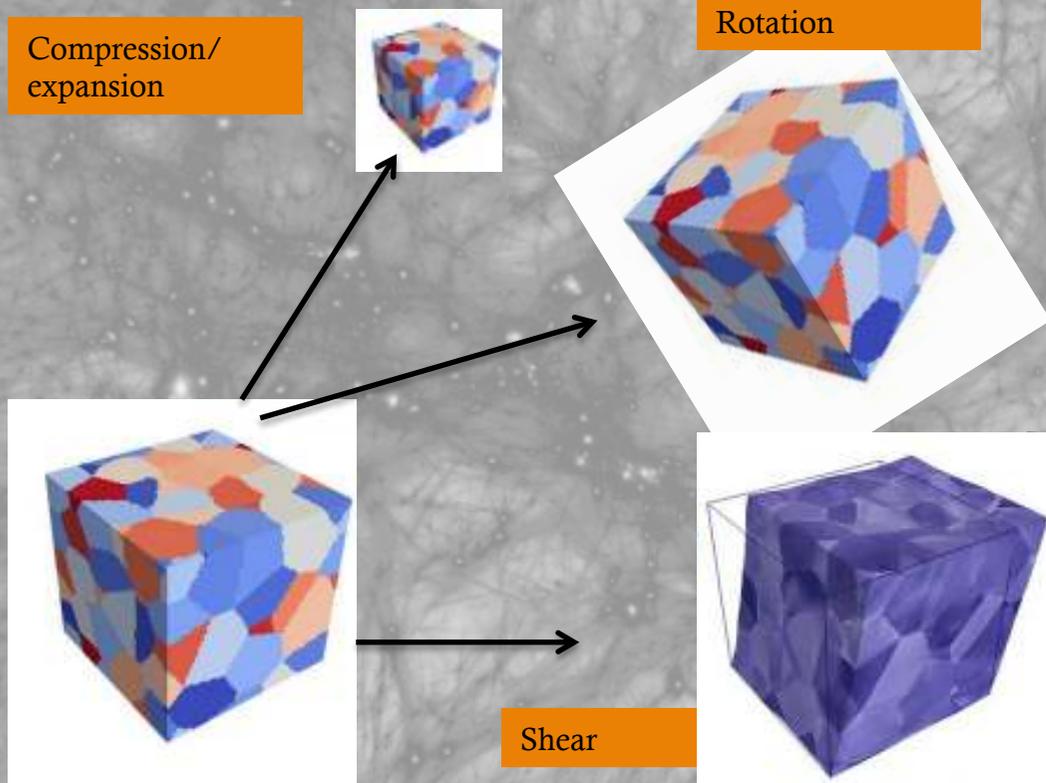
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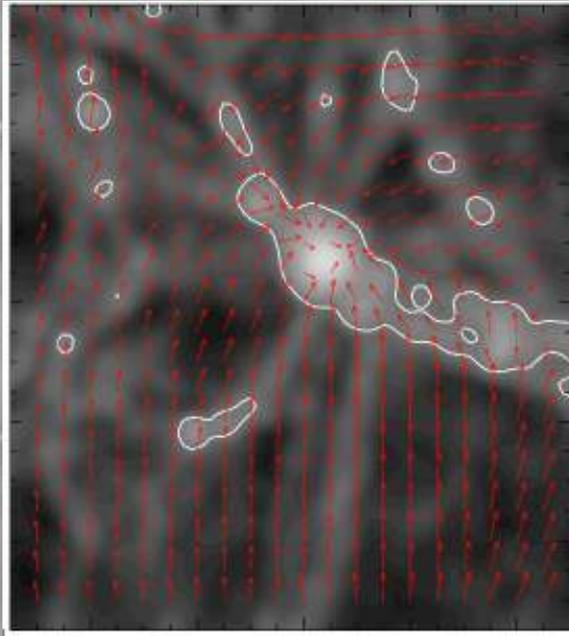
Looking at LSS from the point of view of (*peculiar*) velocity.

Specifically the deformation of the velocity field – shear, compression and rotation:



Hoffman et al 2012
Libeskind et al 2012, 2013





$$\mathbf{u} = H_0 \mathbf{r} \left(1 + \frac{\mathbf{v}}{H_0} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}) &= \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}_0) + \frac{\partial \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})}{\partial \mathbf{r}} d\mathbf{r} \\ &= \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}_0) + \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v_x}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v_y}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial v_z}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} dx \\ dy \\ dz \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r}_0) + \mathbf{S}_{\alpha\beta} d\mathbf{r} \end{aligned}$$

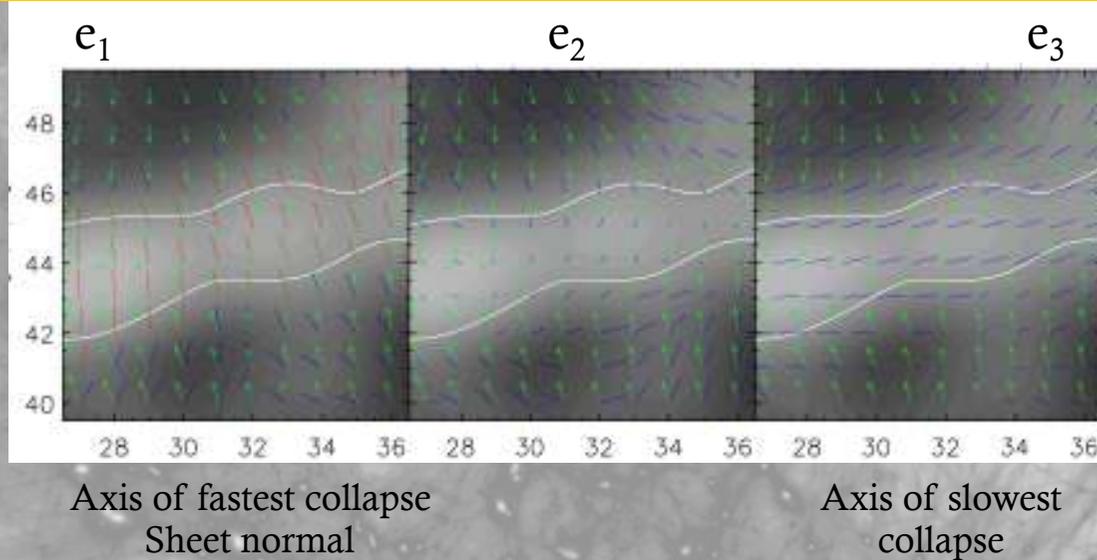
$$\mathbf{S}_{ij} = \Sigma_{ij} + \Omega_{ij}$$

Symmetric part is the
“Shear” tensor +
Divergence

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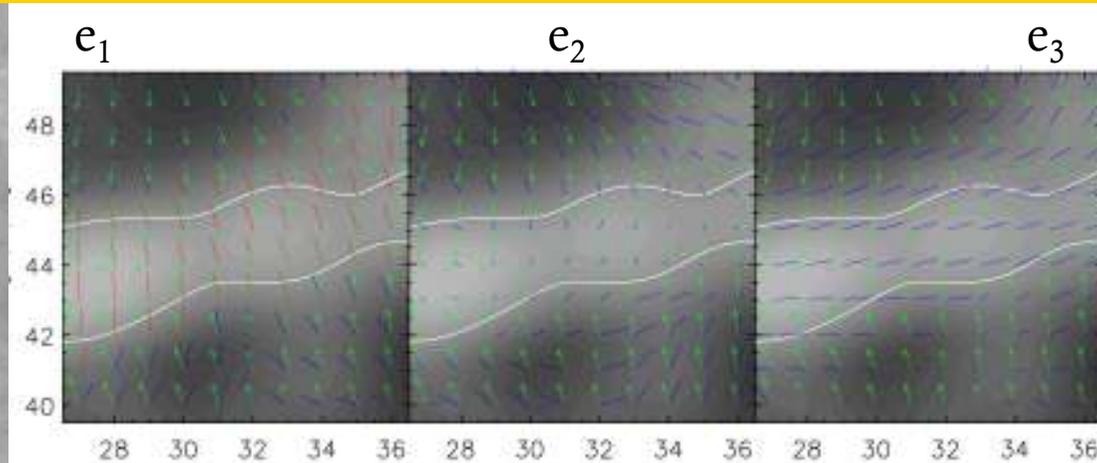
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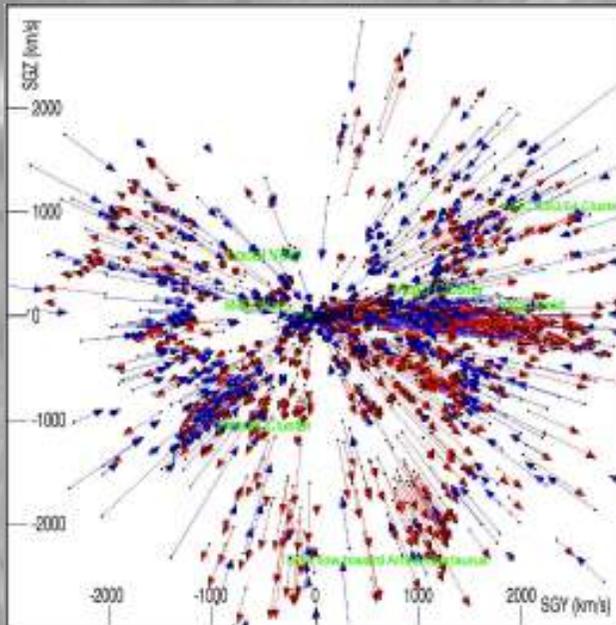


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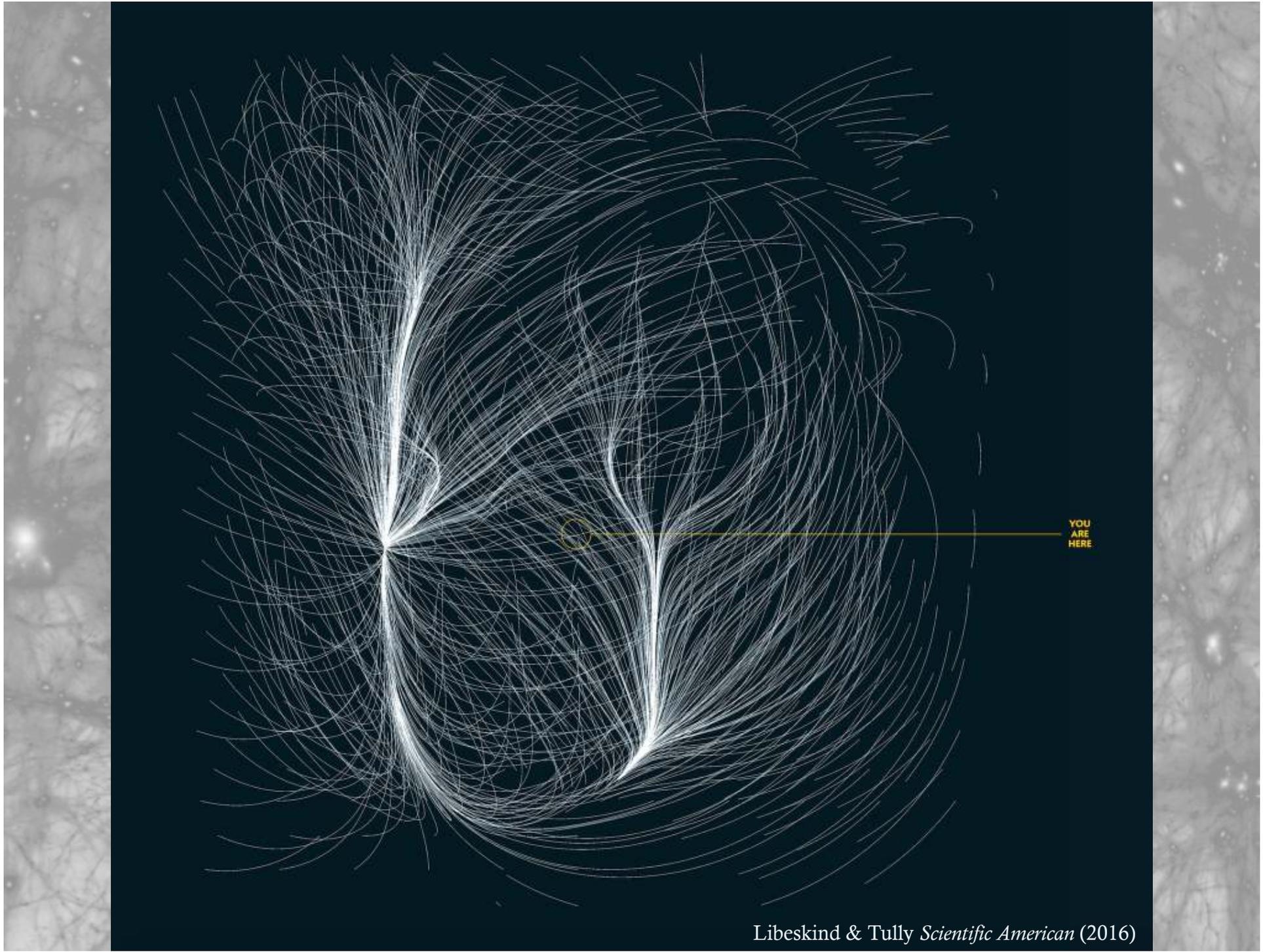
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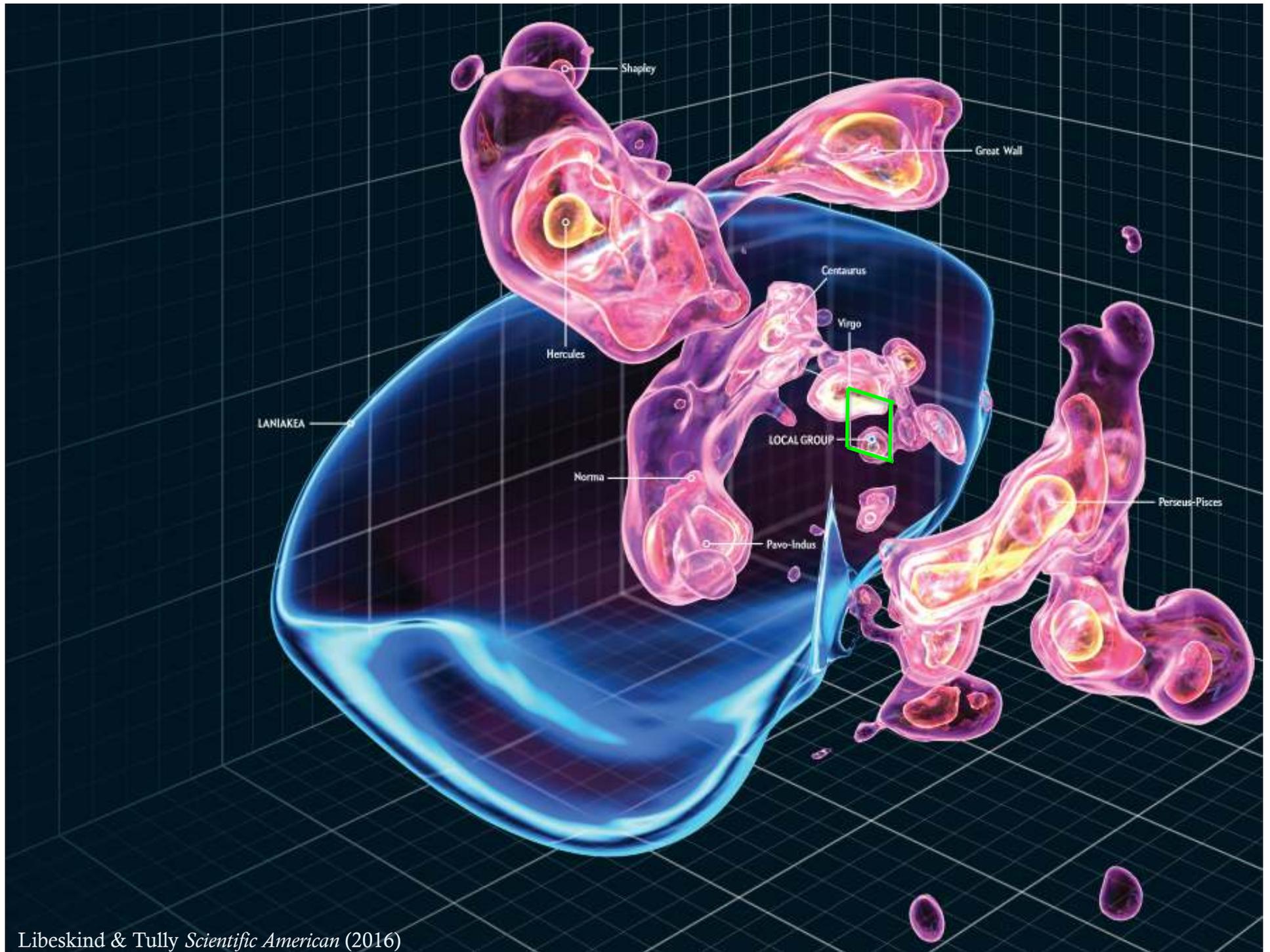


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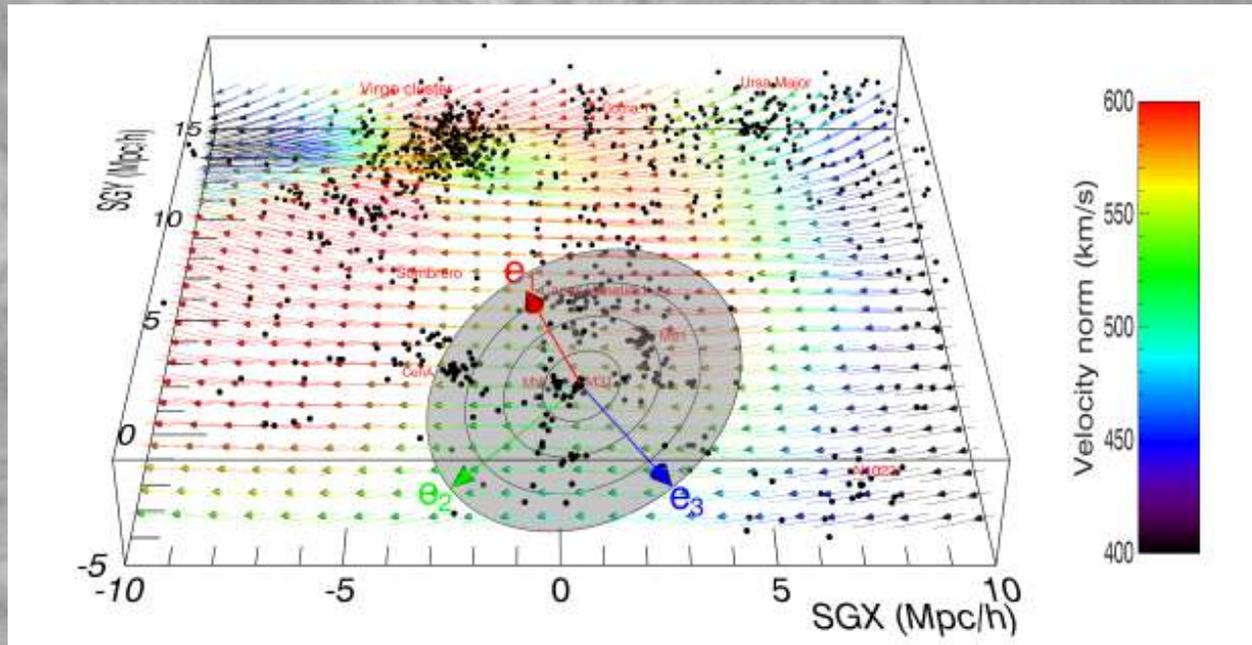
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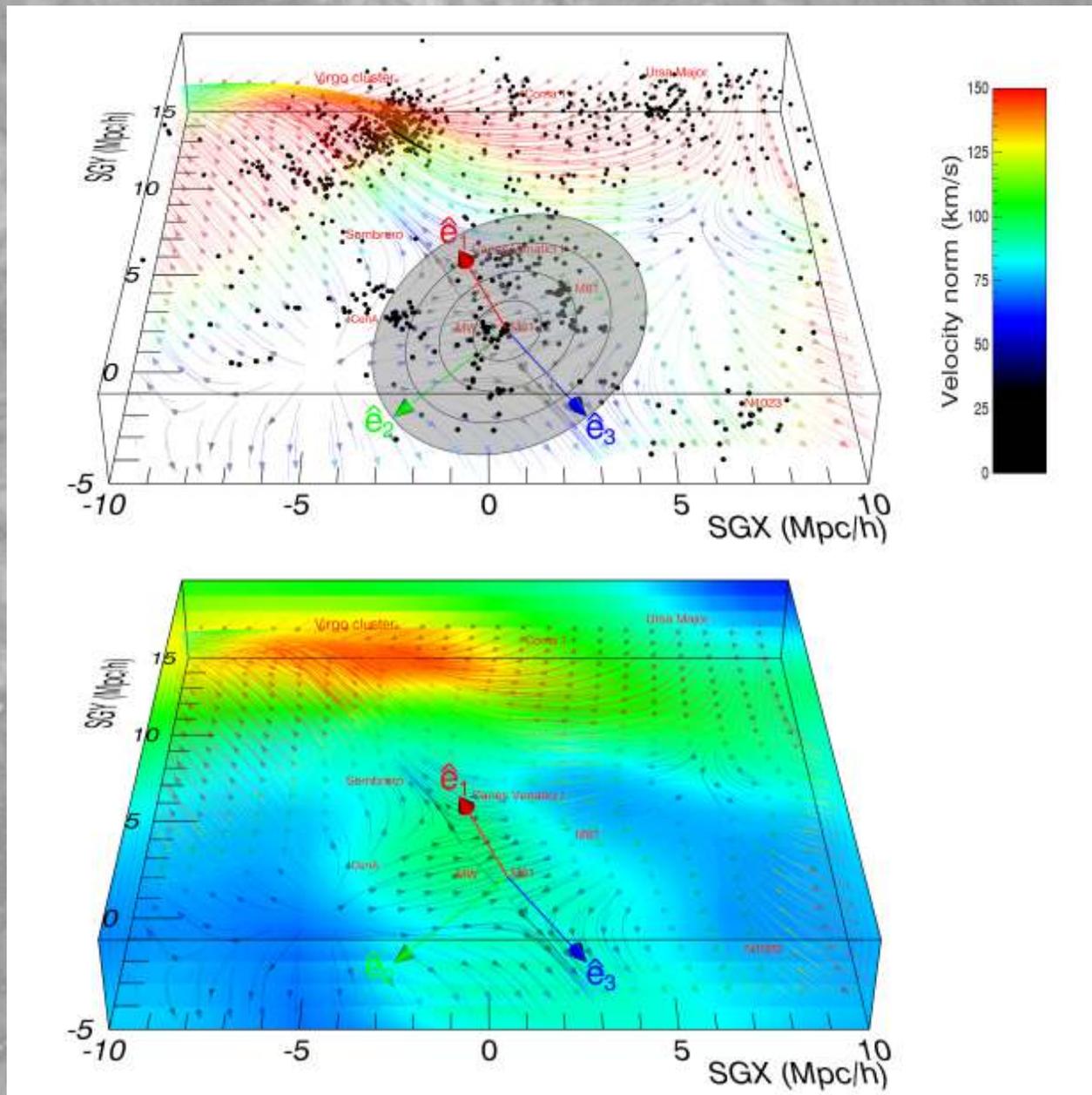


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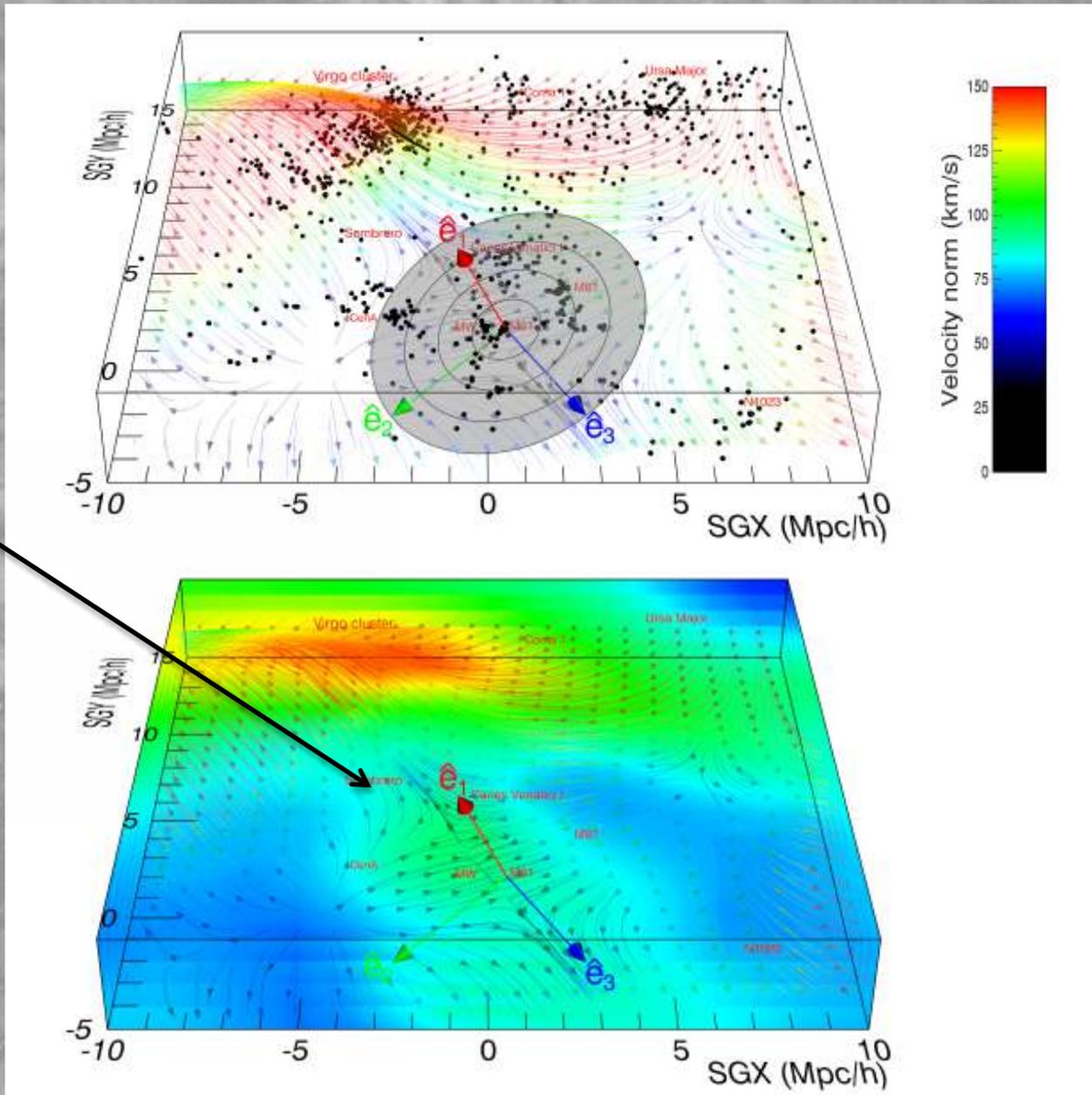


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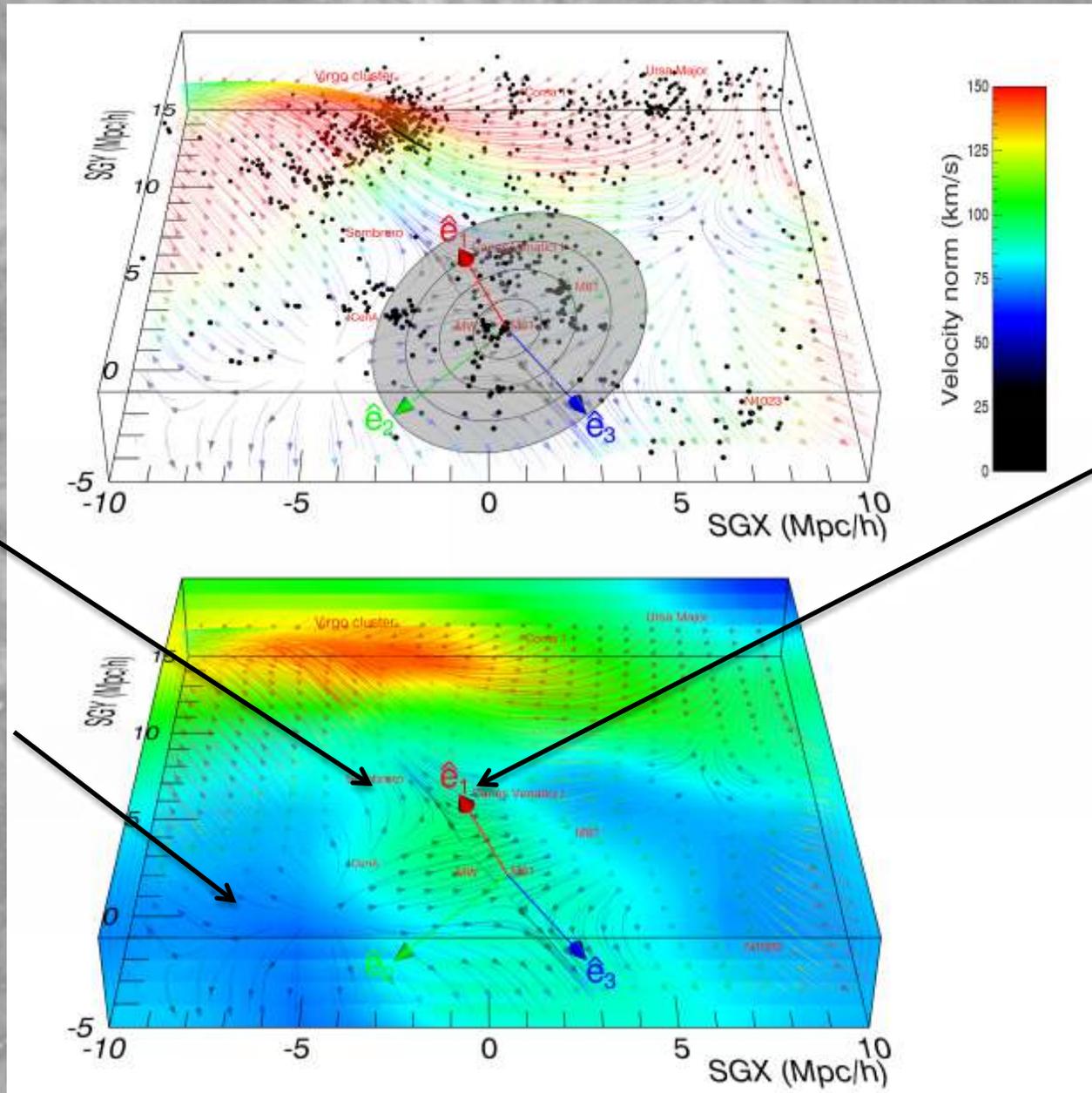


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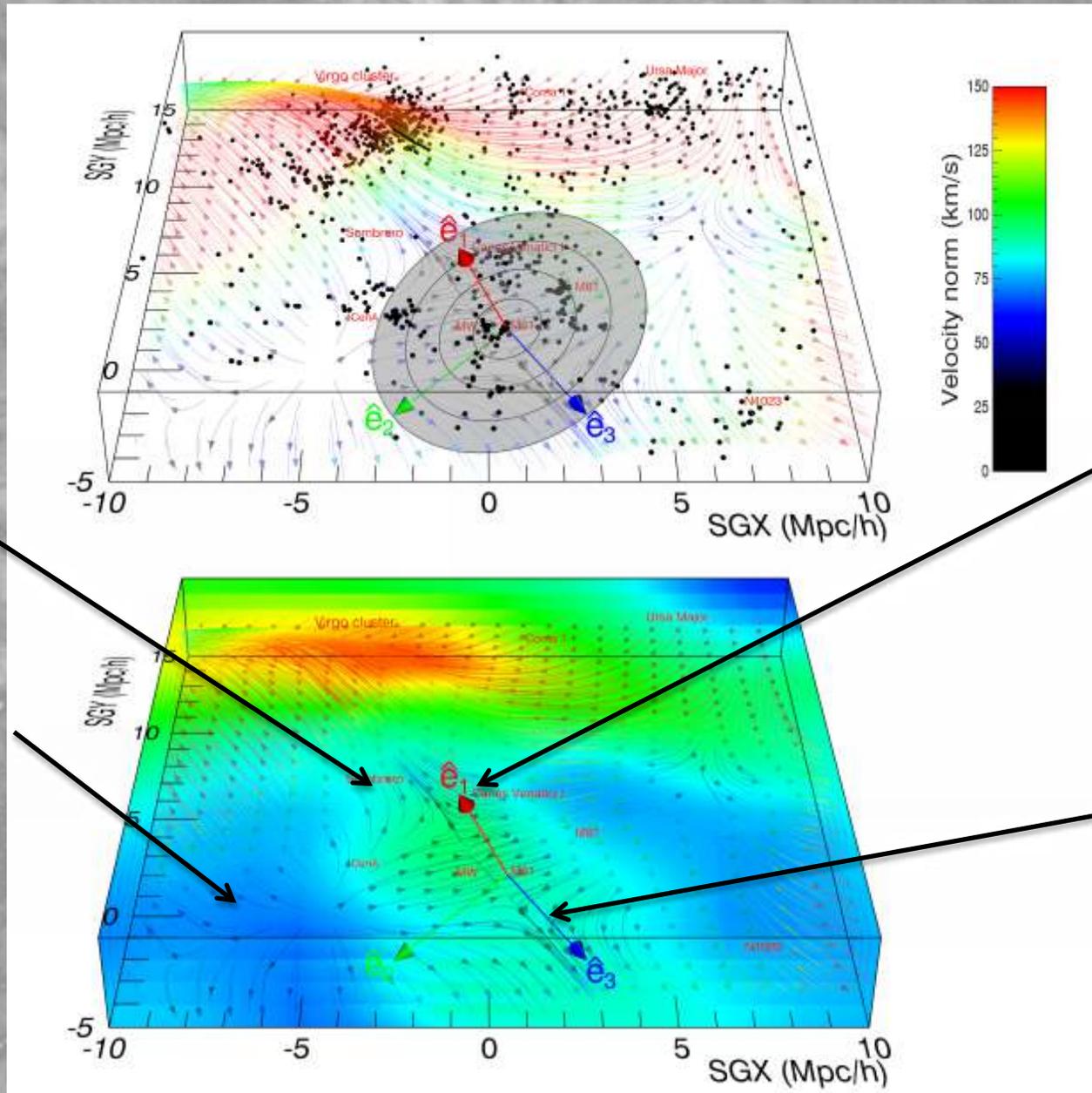


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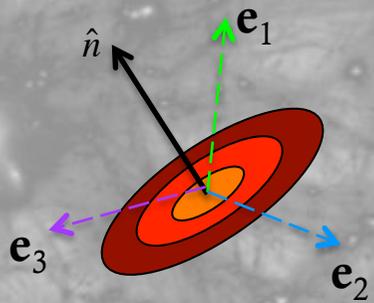
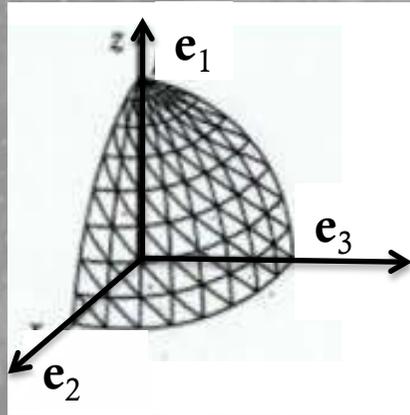
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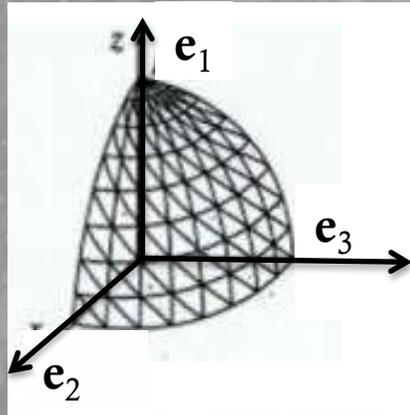
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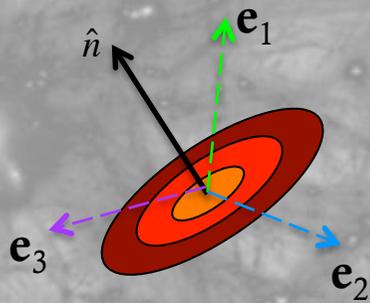
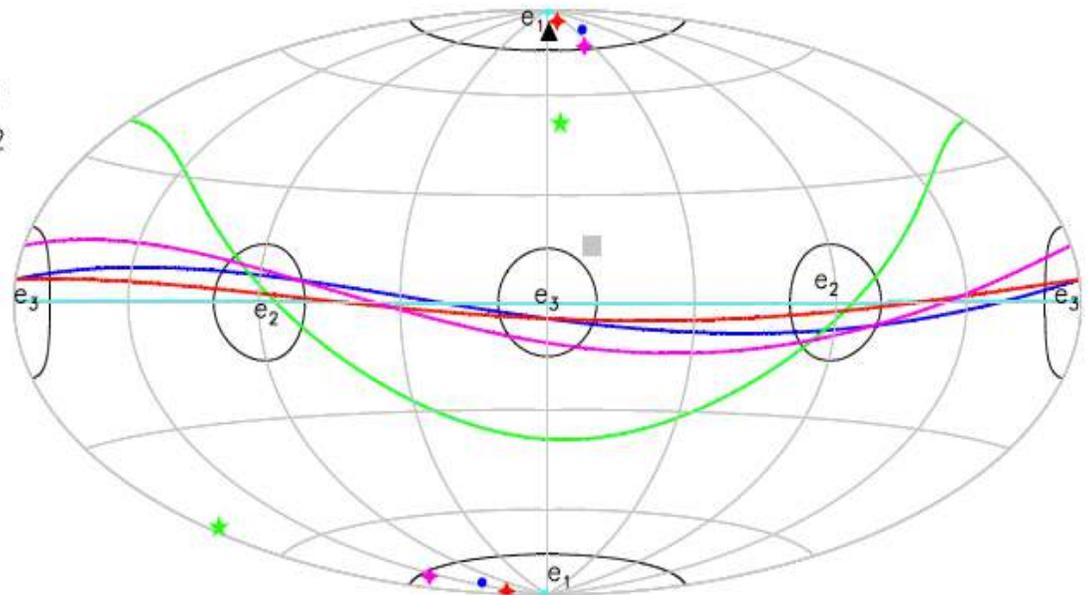
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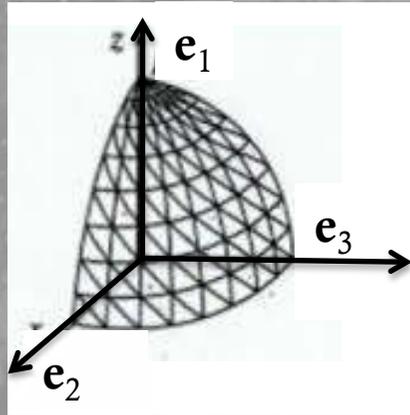
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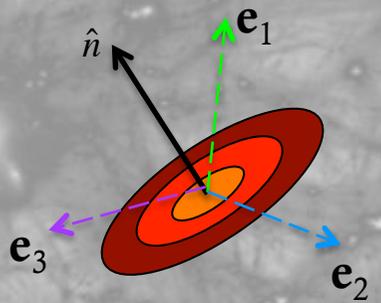
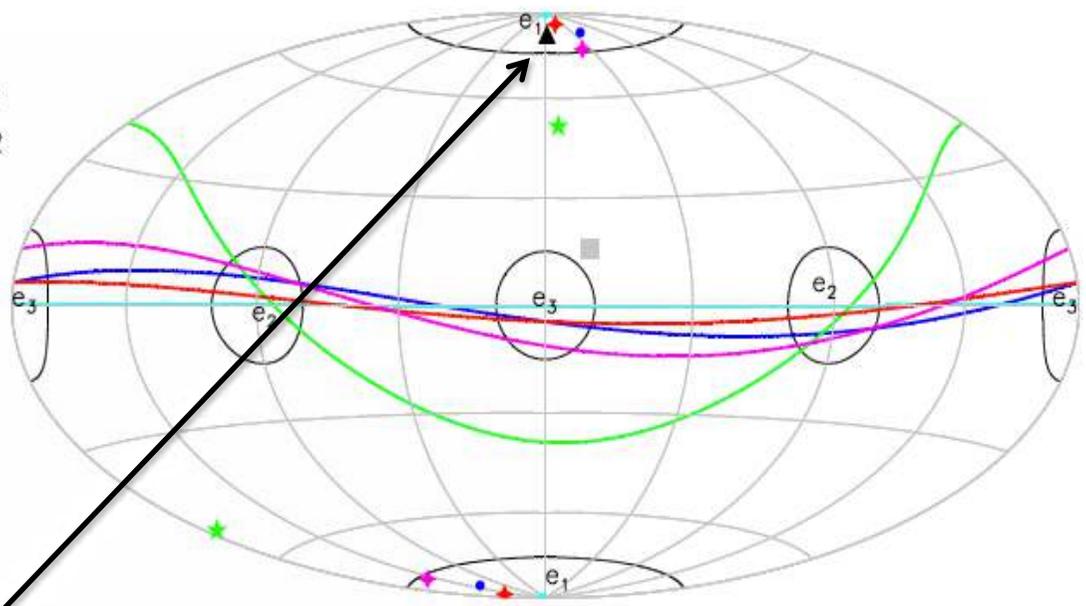
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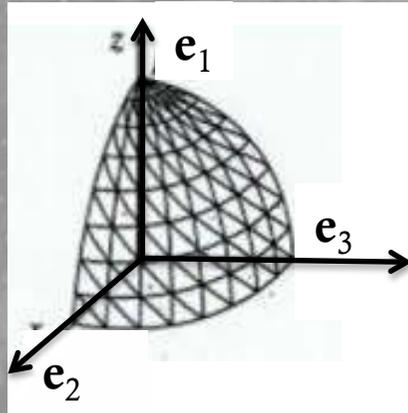


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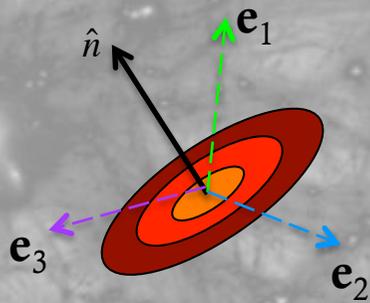
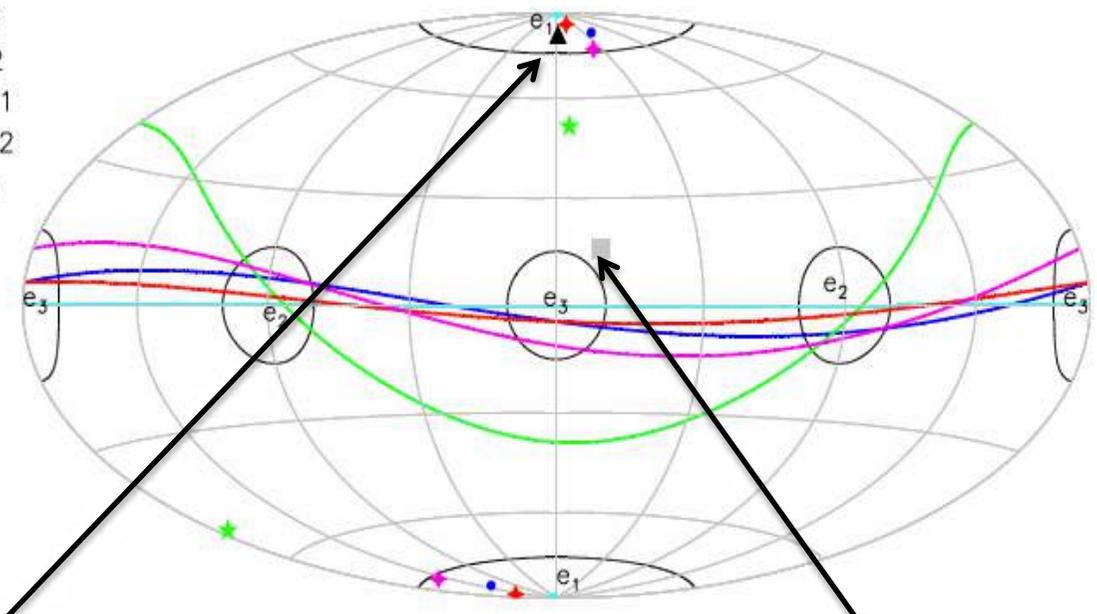


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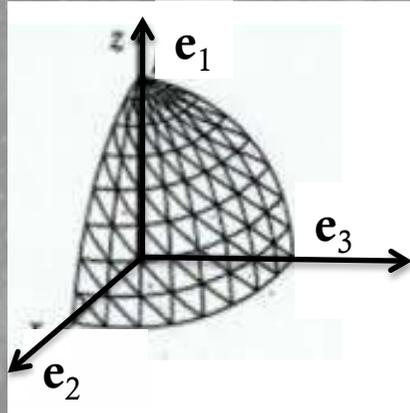
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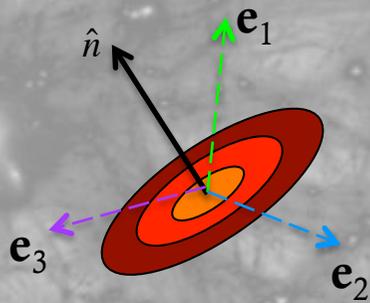
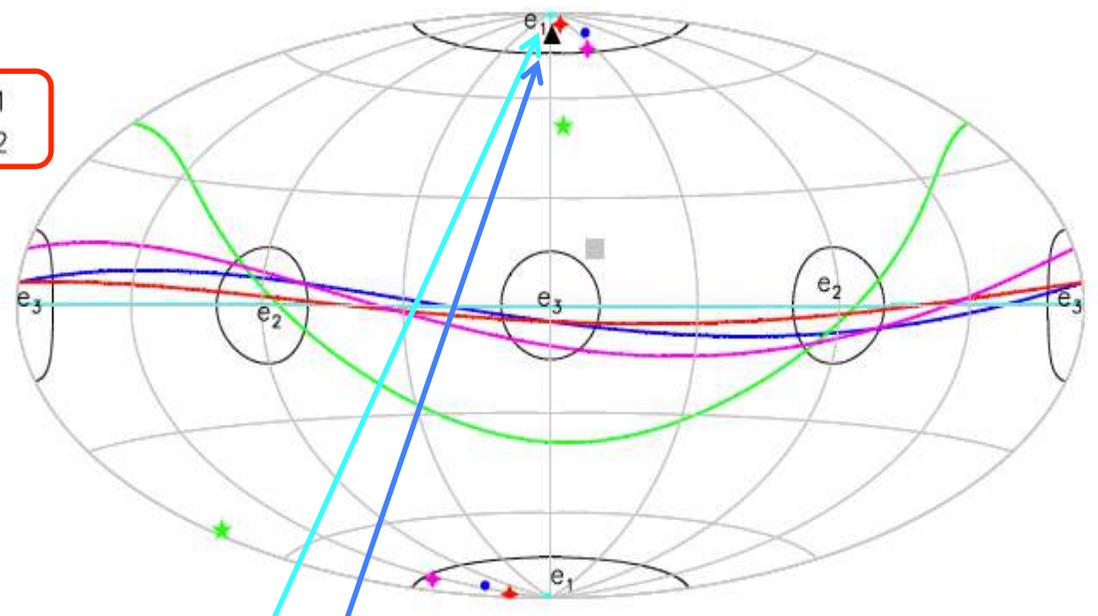
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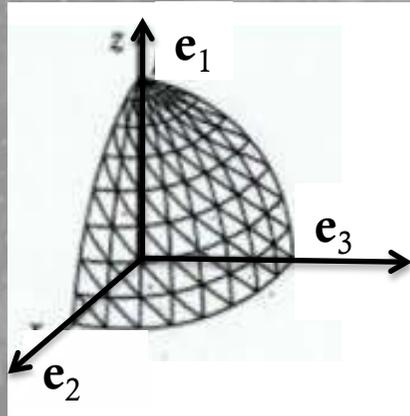
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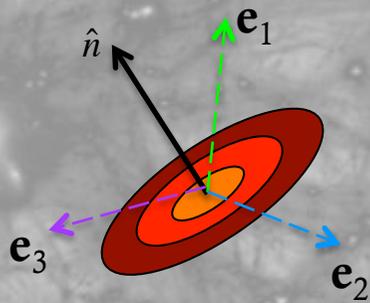
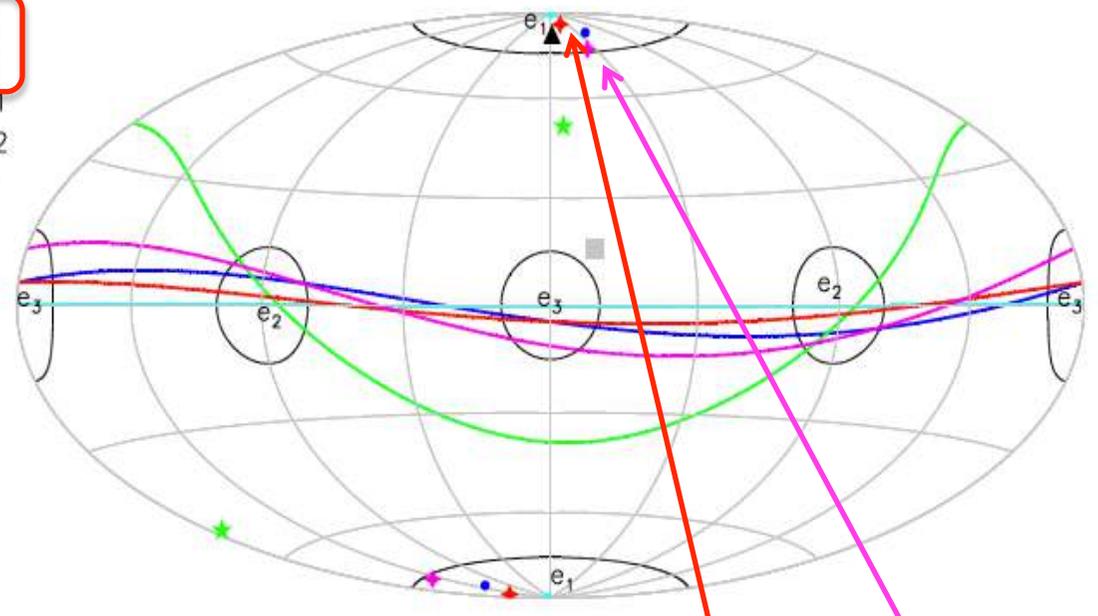
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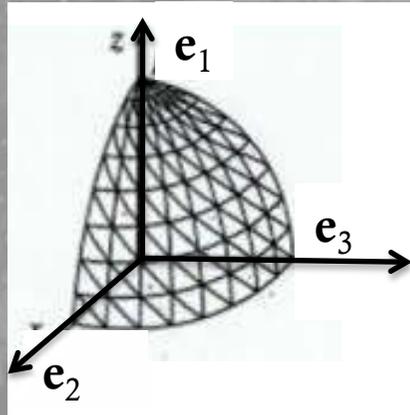
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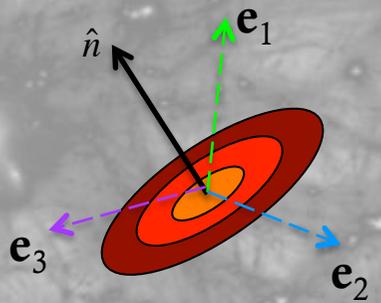
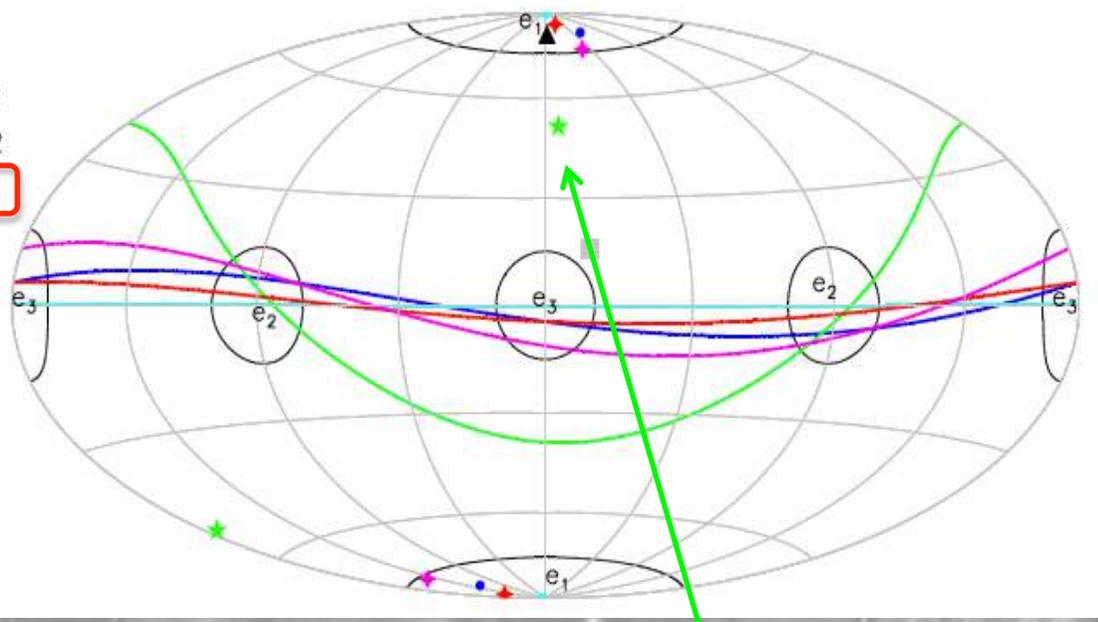
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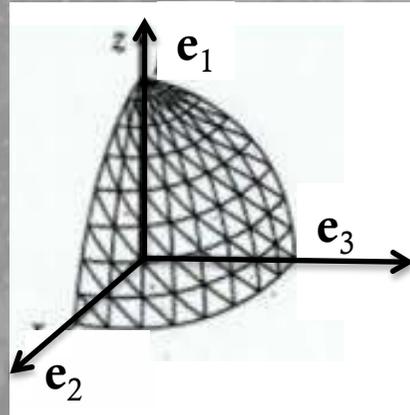
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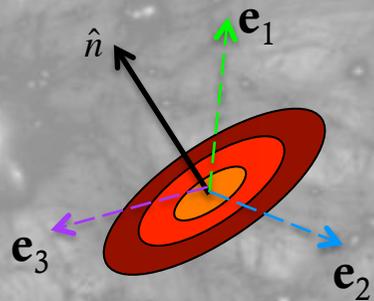
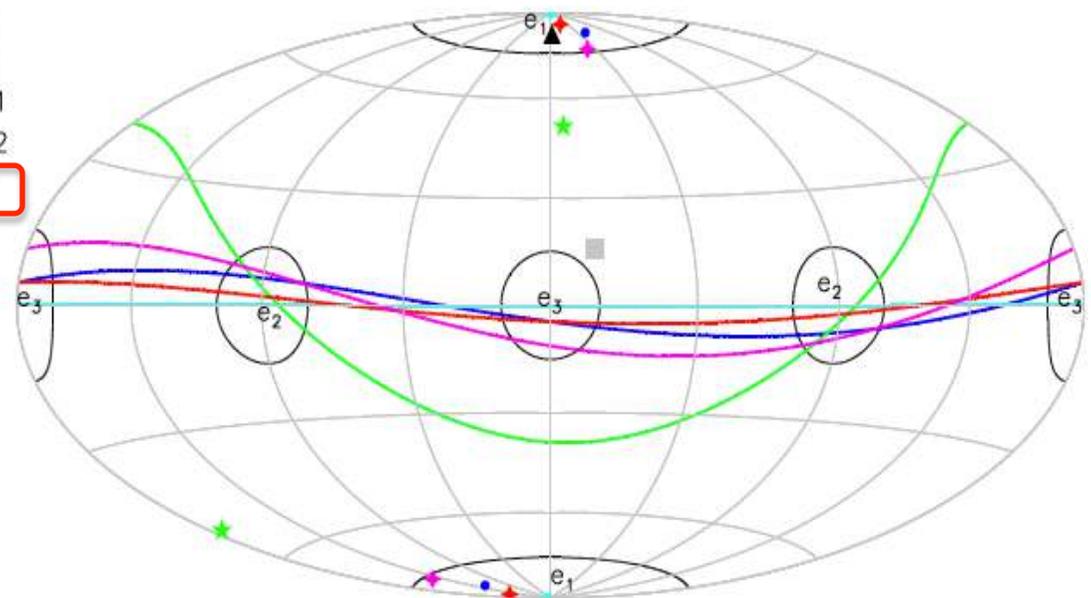
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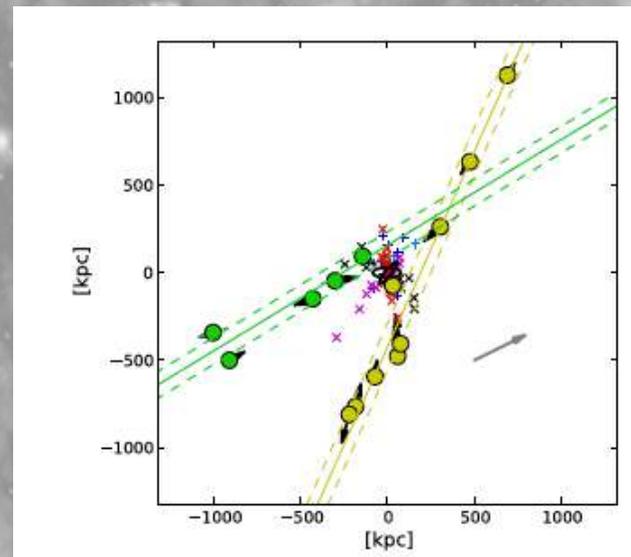
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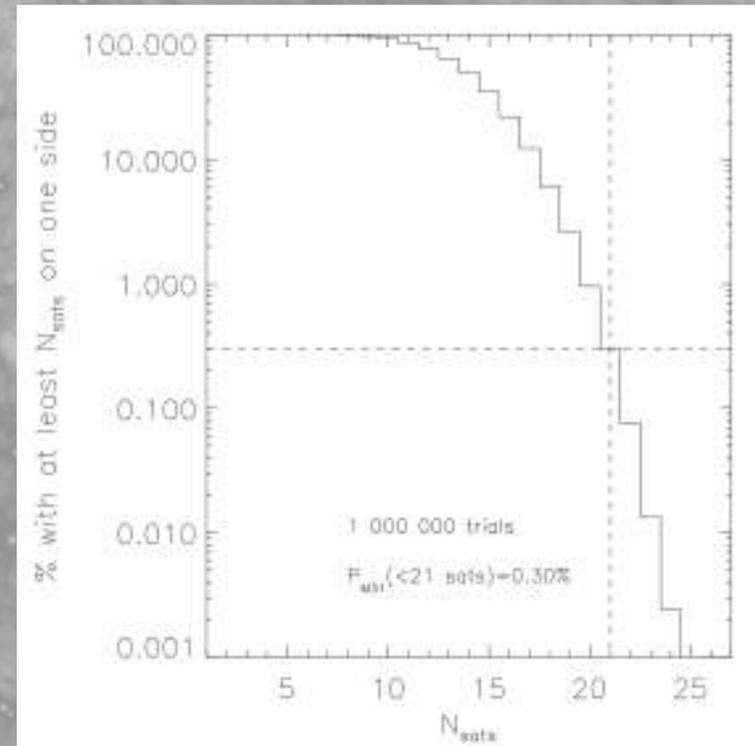
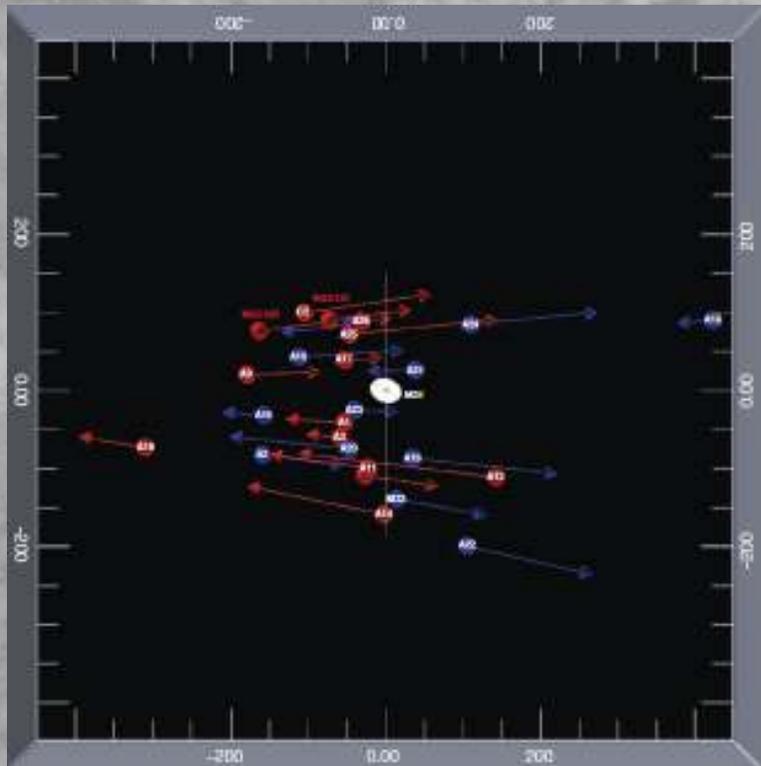


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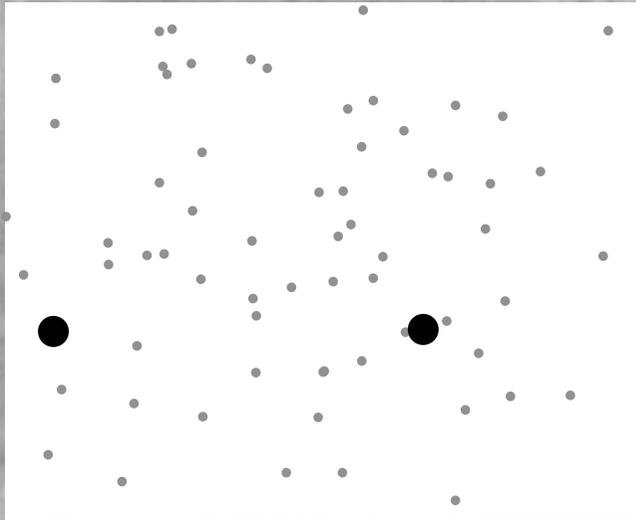




With 27 satellites 21 of which are on one side the chances are

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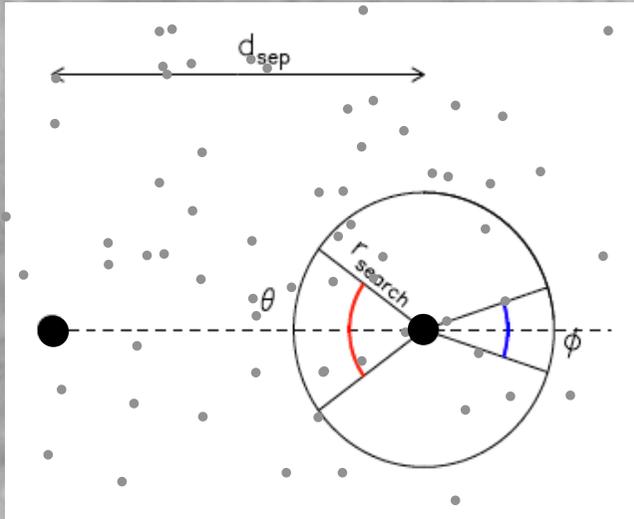
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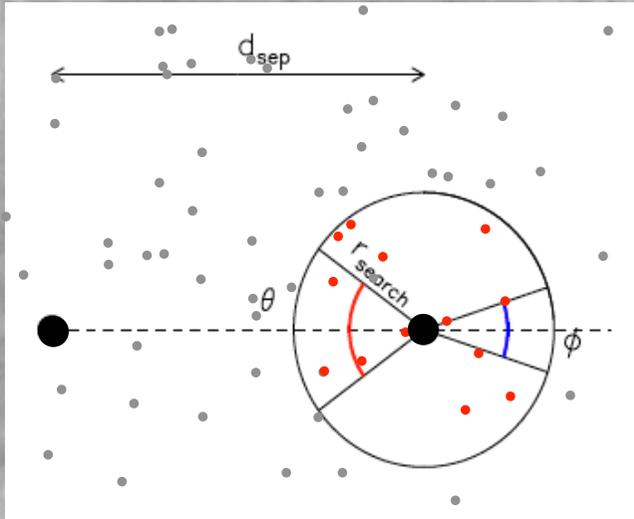
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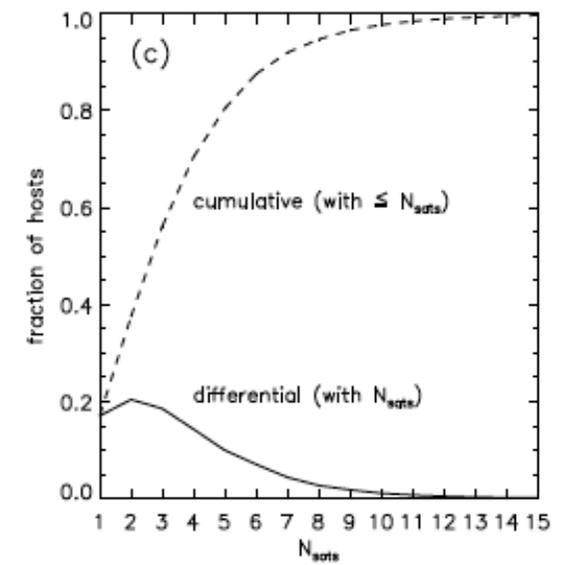
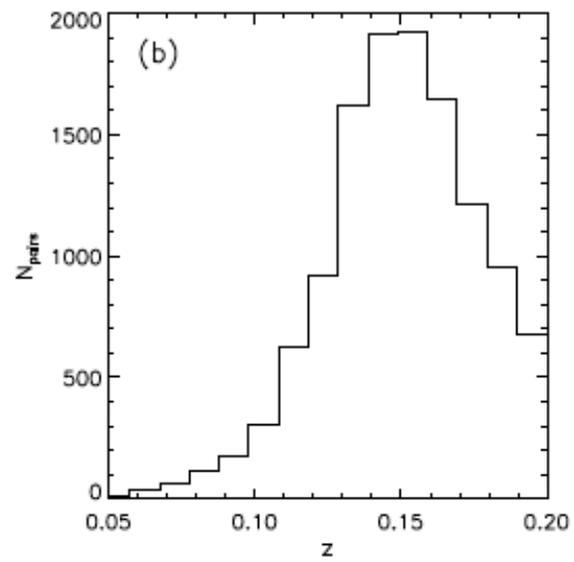
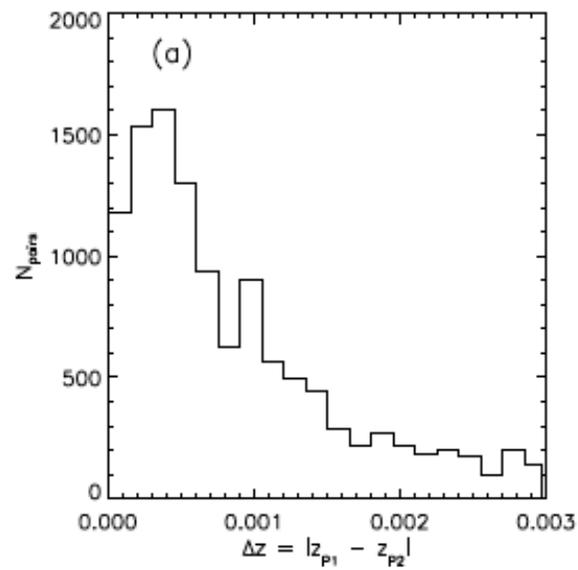
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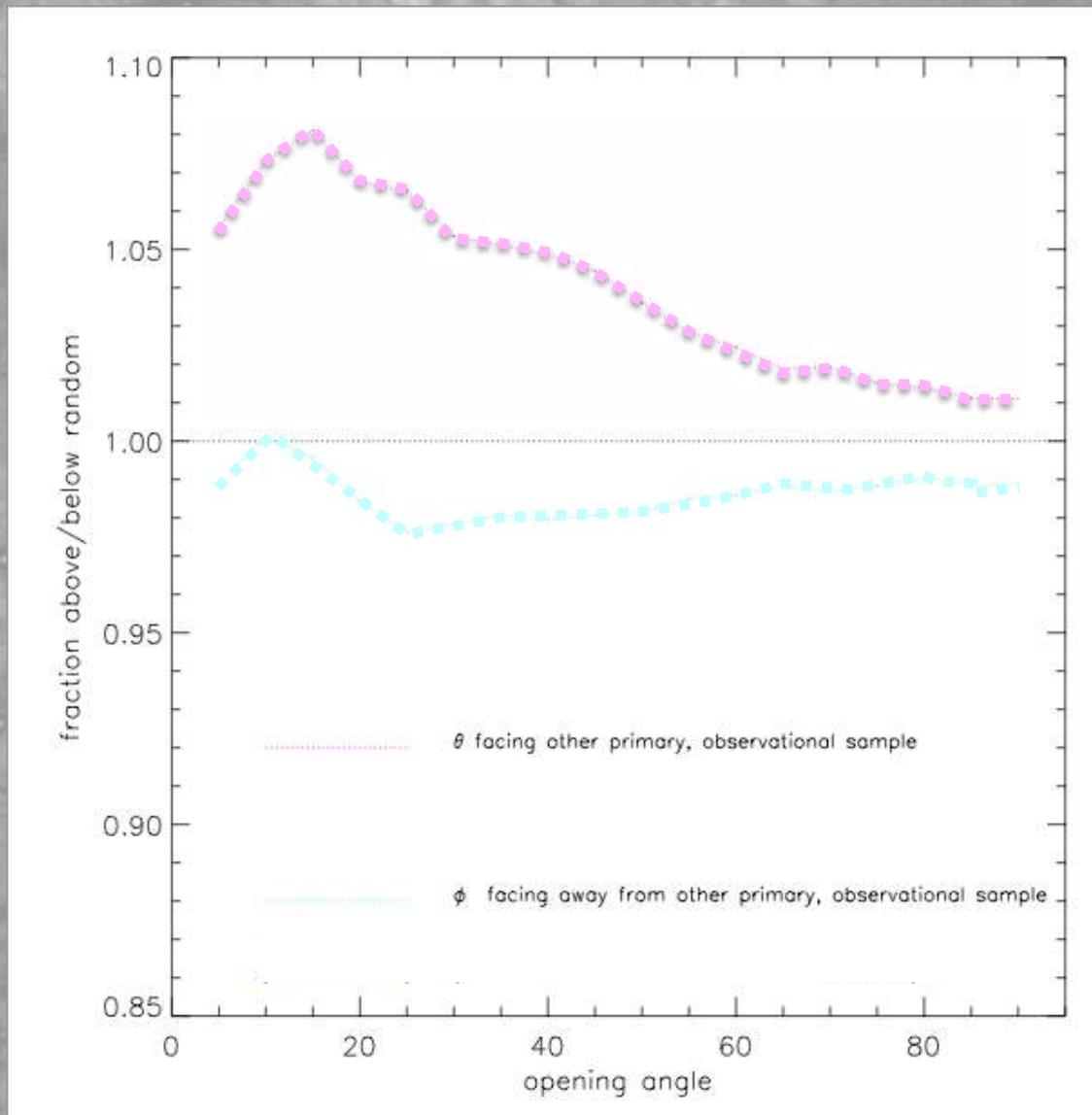
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- Count how many are within (θ, Φ) and compare with how many you expect from a random distribution

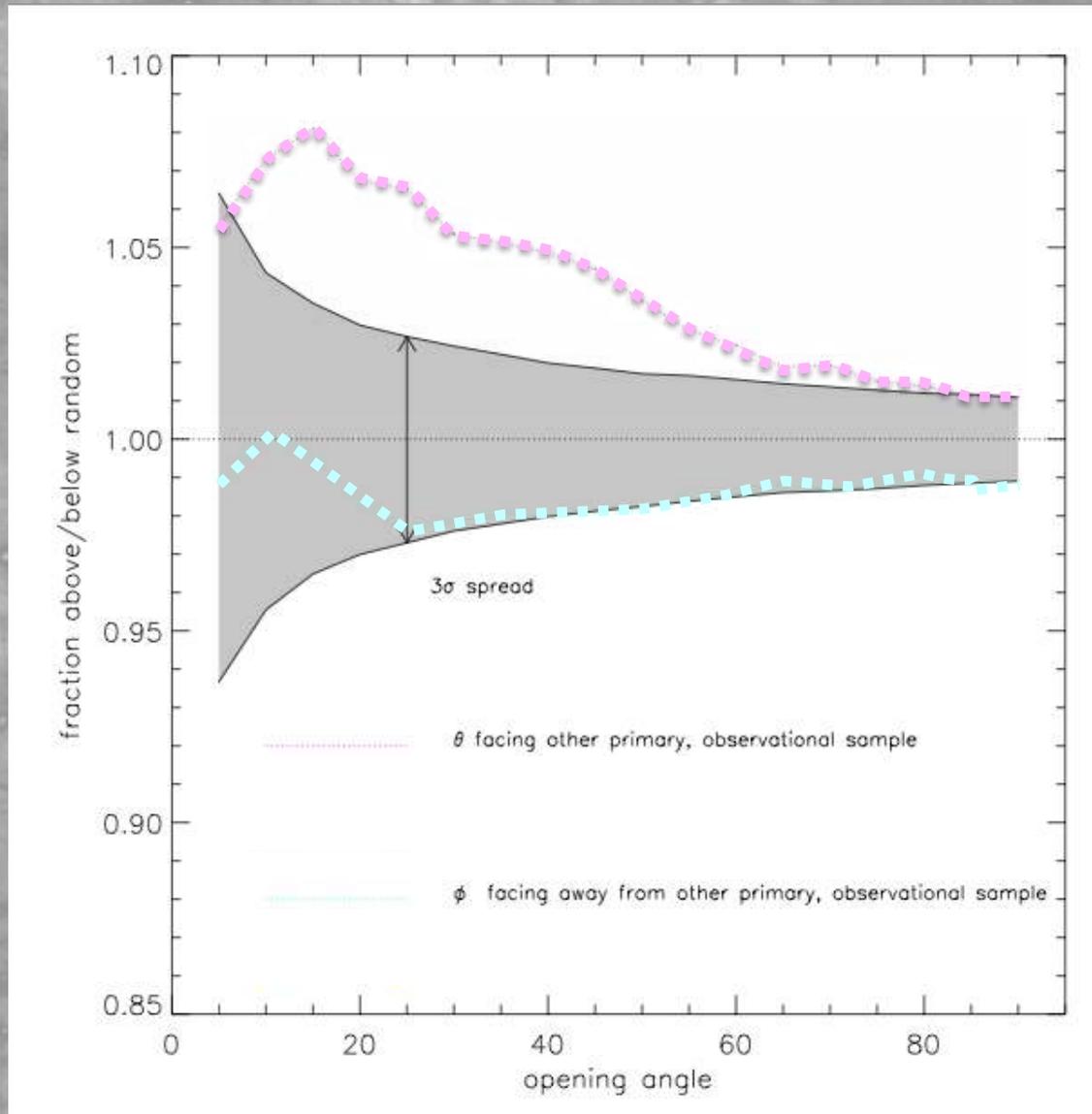
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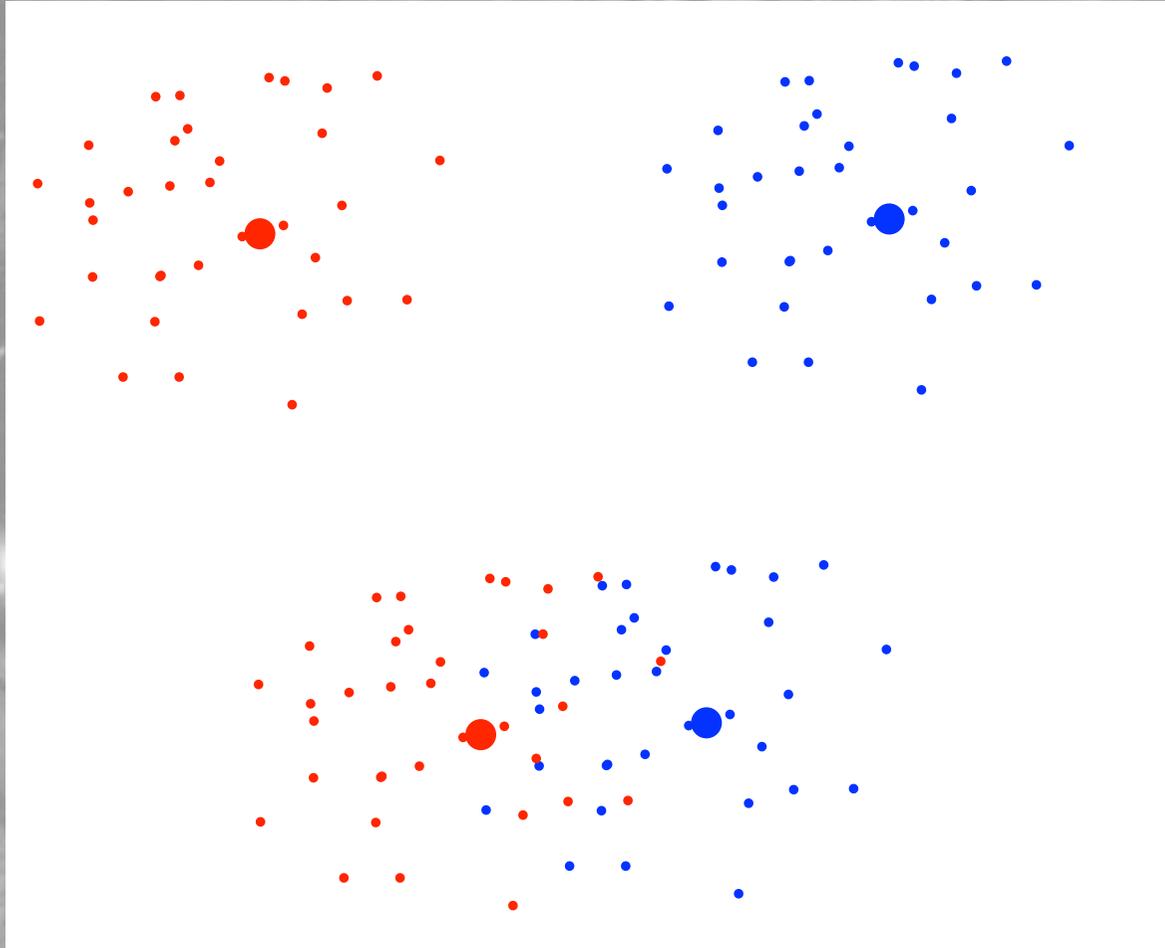
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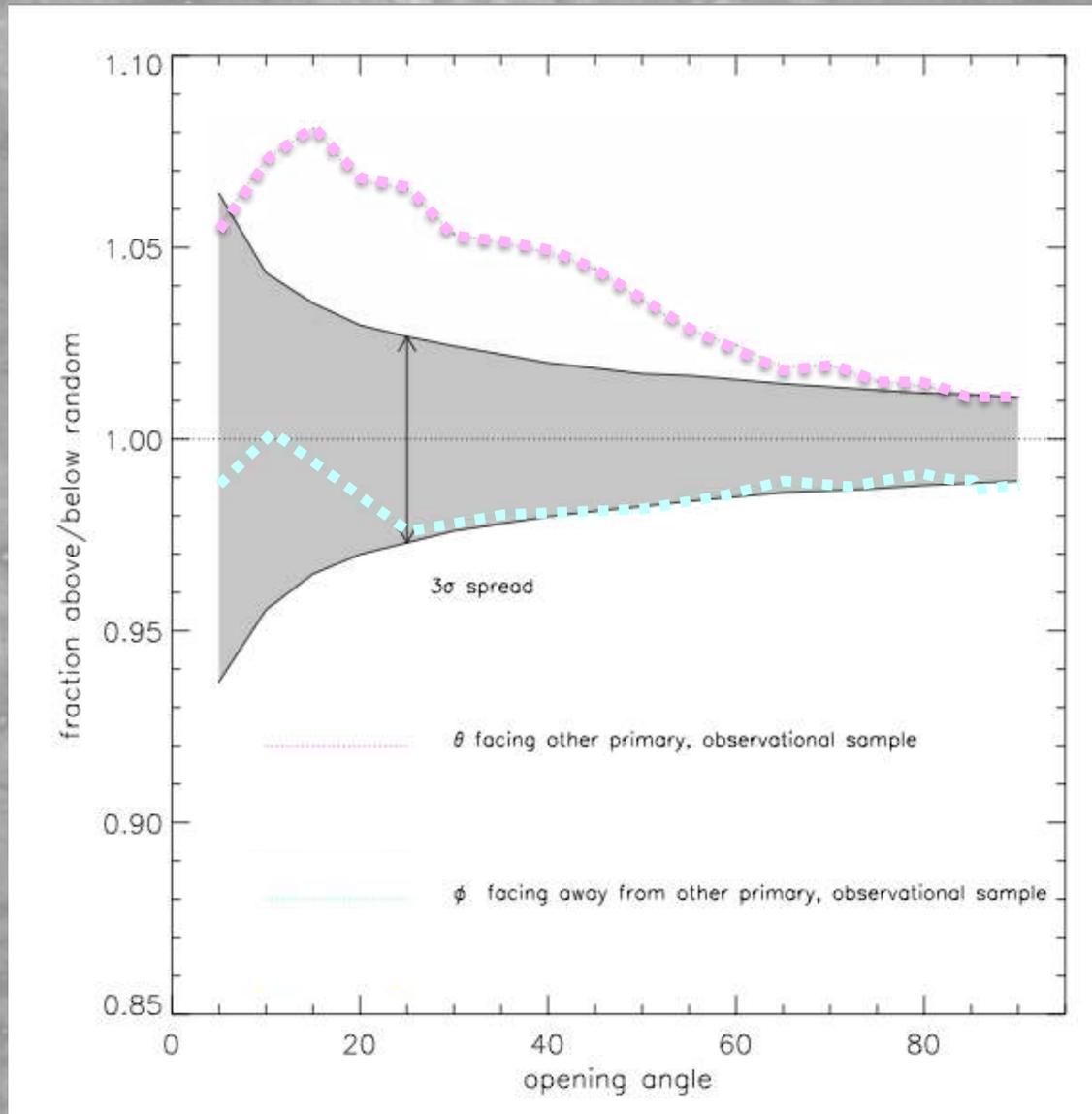
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For each pair member, find an isolated galaxy at the same redshift with the same magnitude

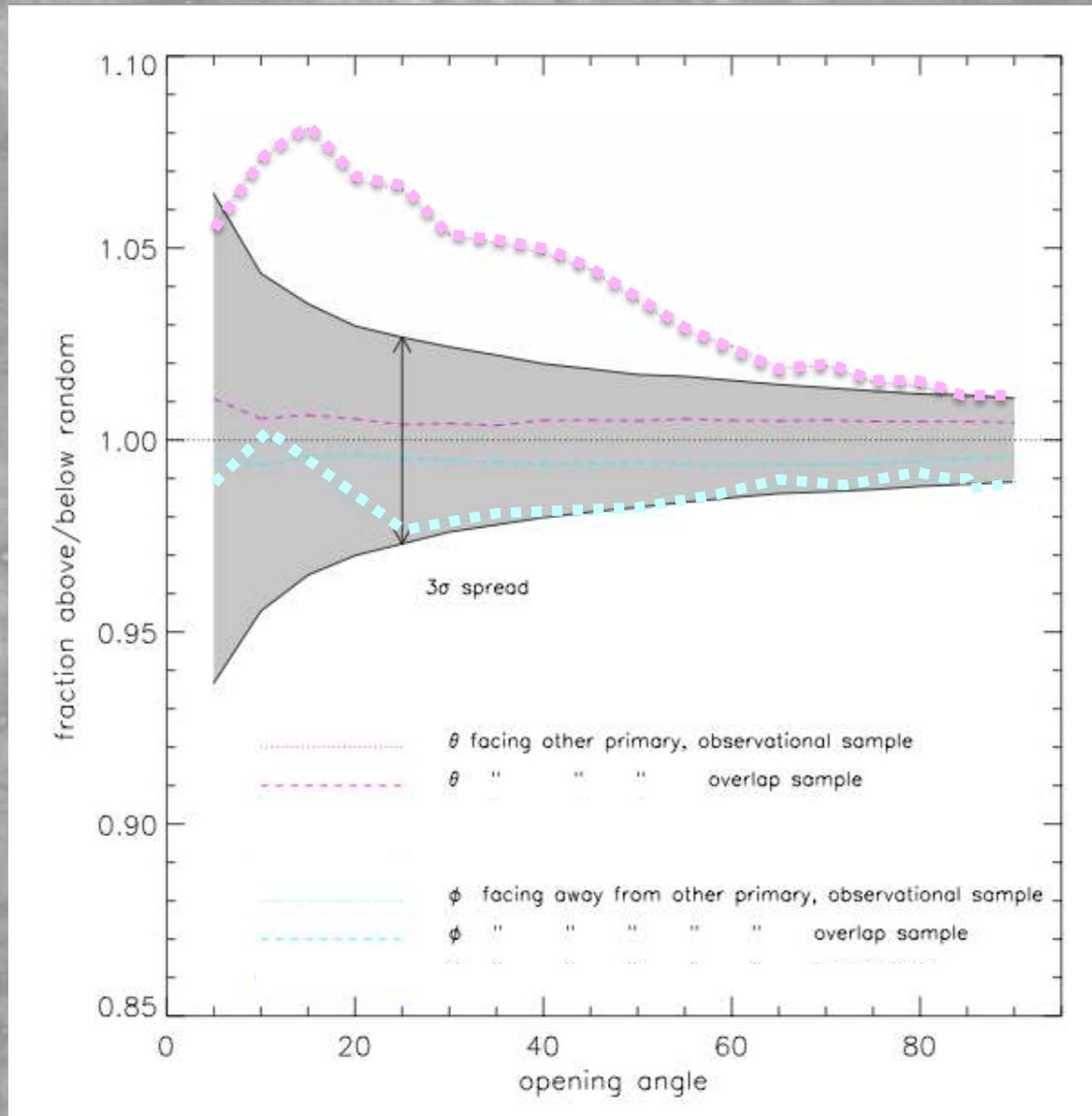
Place it and its satellites and the same separation as each pair member, rotate N times

Compute overlap bias and subtract from observed signal

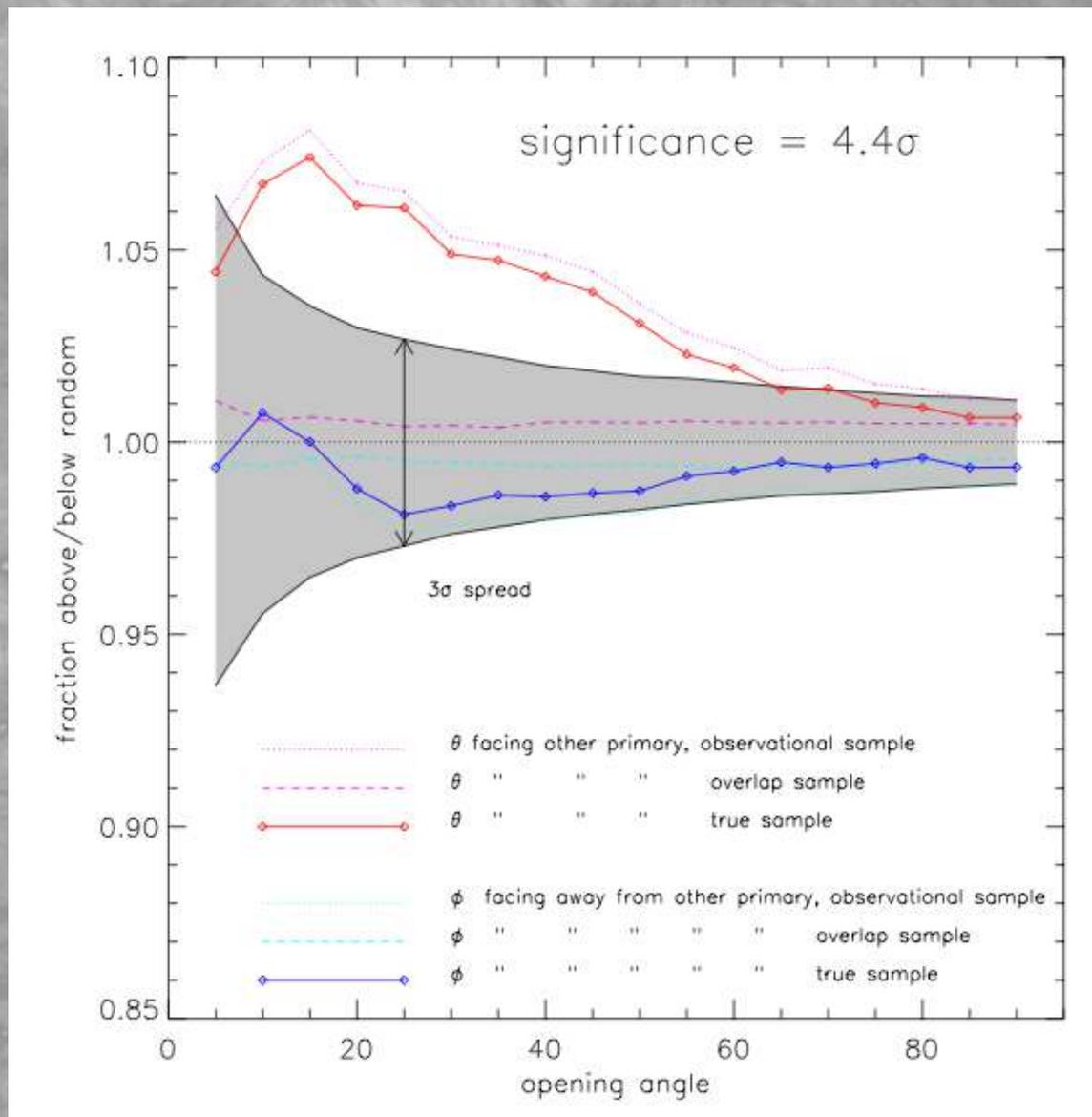
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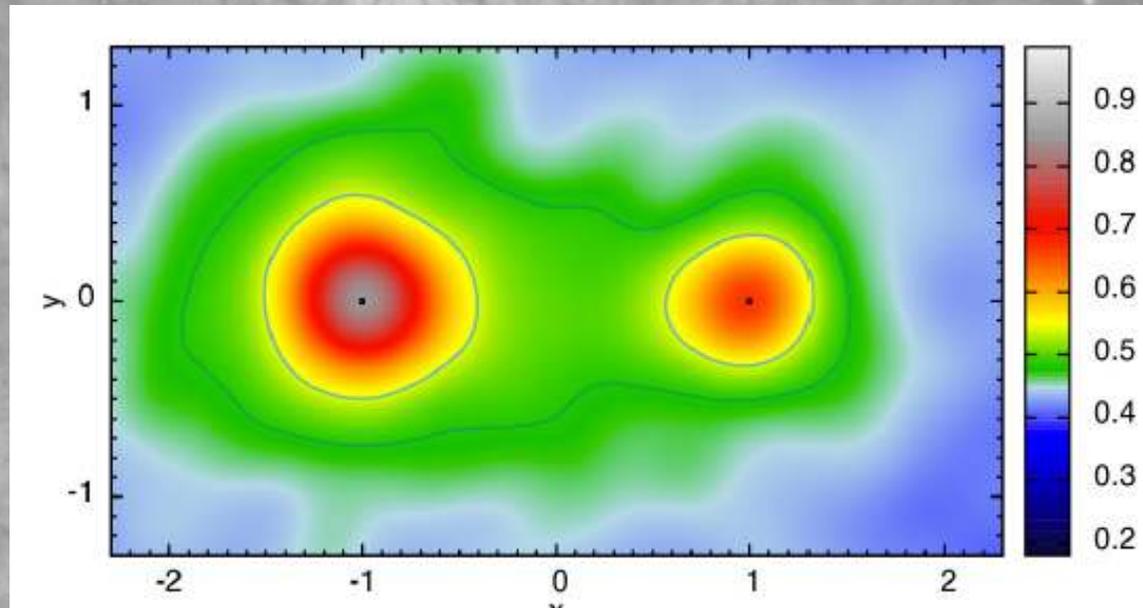
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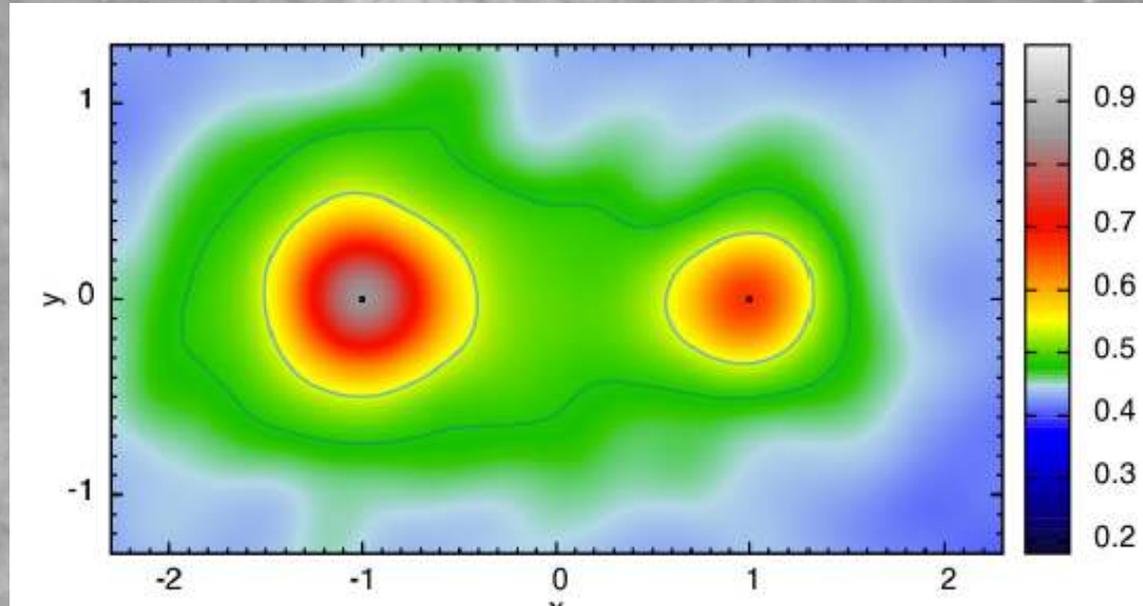
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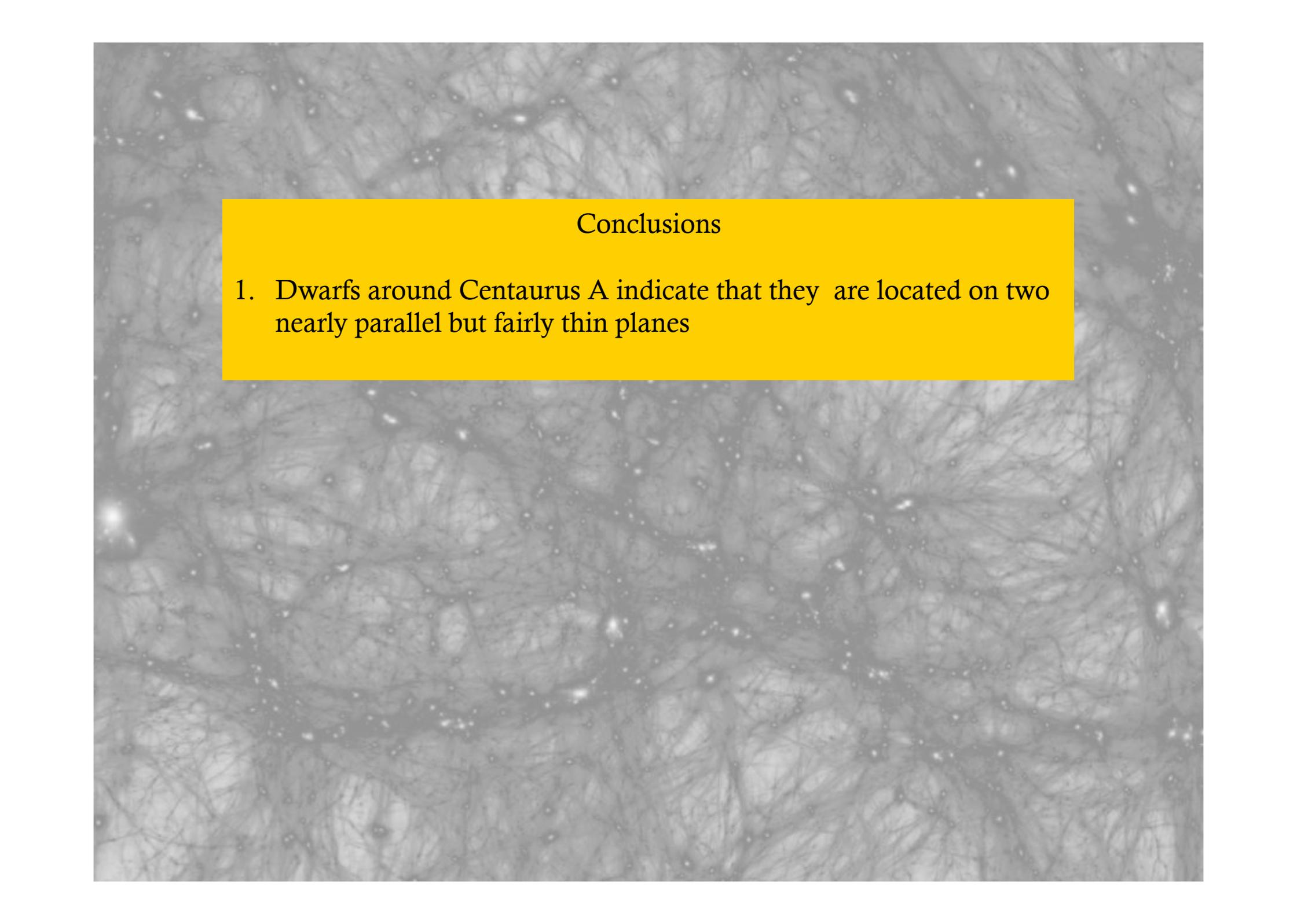
Examining similar set ups in simulations but results still inconclusive (Gong et al in prep)

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Sensitive to pair selection criteria

Insensitive to how the satellites are chosen

The background of the slide is a grayscale image of a star field, likely the Centaurus A galaxy, showing numerous stars of varying brightness and colors. A prominent yellow rectangular box is centered on the slide, containing the text.

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