

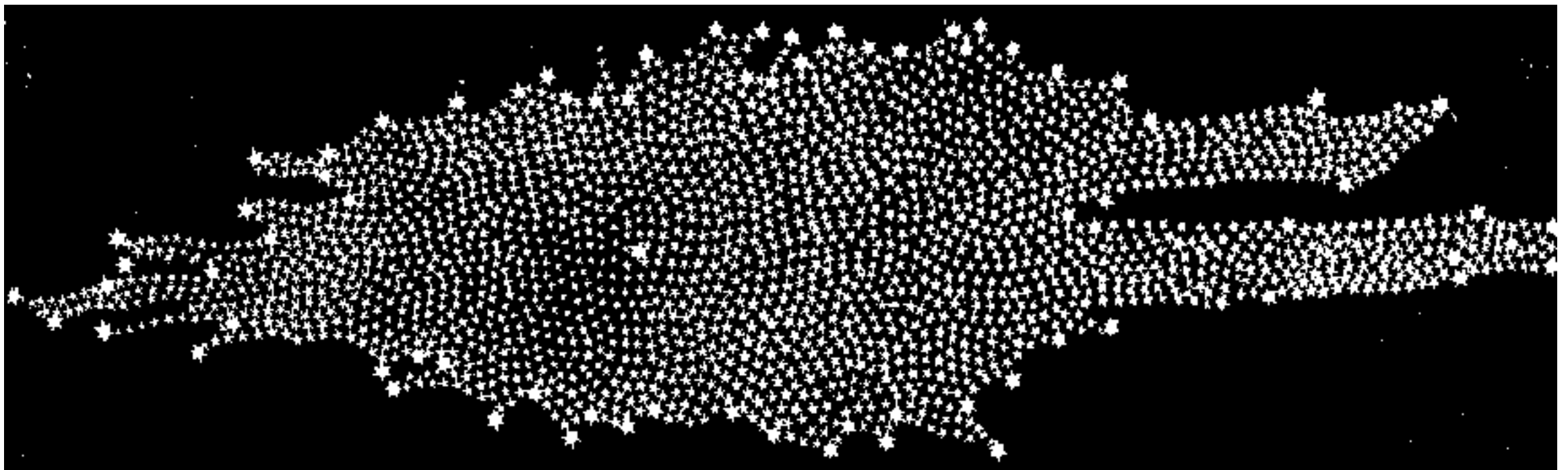
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(kinematics)

(Ivans & Schiavon 2009)

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Herschel 1785

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- old (no moving groups of younger stars)
- stellar (no gas kinematics)
- almost certainly incomplete
- squander opportunity to link extragalactic observations
- focus on data, derived quantities and techniques

Why Disk Kinematics?

- Stellar disks have an irresistible likeness to relaxed, axisymmetric systems
 - kinematics \rightarrow mass distribution
- Disks are (even) more interesting than that
 - bar, spiral structure, warp effect kinematics near and far
- The old disk has a long memory and lived in interesting times
 - stubborn disk formation issues in galaxy formation theory

Data

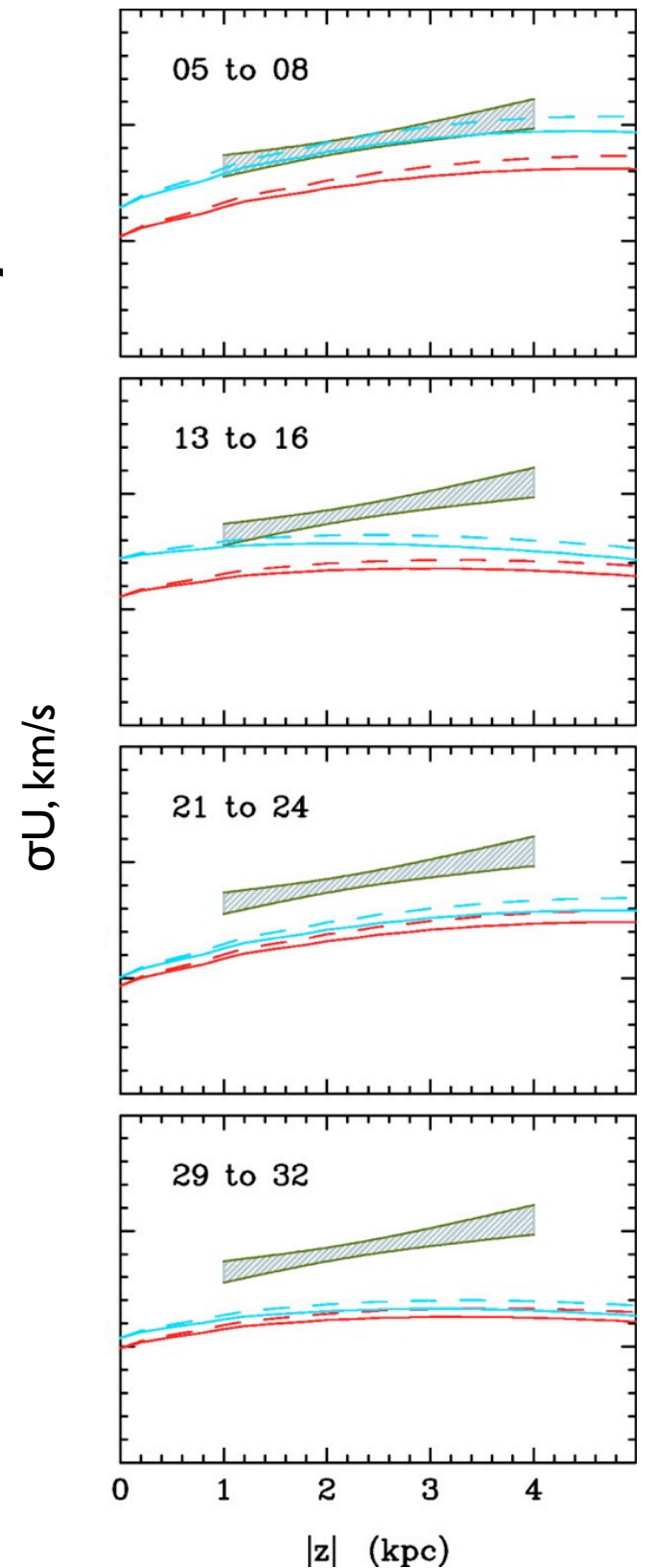
- Hipparcos
- RVs of Hipparcos stars:
 - Geneva-Copenhagen (Nordstrom et al. 2004, Holmberg et al. 2007)
 - Famaey et al 2005
- PM: UCAC (Zacharias et al. 2004), USNOB+SDSS (Munn et al. 2004)
- RV: RAVE (Steinmetz et al. 2006), SDSS/SEGUE (Yanny et al. 2009)
 - both come with PM catalogs
- $R > R_{\text{sun}}$:
 - open clusters (Carraro et al. 2007)
 - Cepheids (Pont et al. 1997)
 - @ $d = 10 \text{ kpc}$, $b = 5^\circ$, $Z \sim 1 \text{ kpc}$
 - ➡ velocities in the disk (and muck) would get to larger R in the plane

Kinematics and Mass

- Oort Constants: local circular velocity, R_0
 - Feast and Whitelock 1997, from Hipparcos data
 - Now have R_0 from SgrA* obs, Eisenhauer et al 2003, Reid et al. 1999
- Surface mass density at R_0 from σ_z , $\rho(z)$
 - Kuijken & Gilmore (1989,1991), Gould, Bahcall & Flynn (1997)
- Velocity ellipsoid: $\sigma_{Rz} \rightarrow$ DM halo flattening+disk scale length
 - Siebert et al. 2008 (RAVE), Fuchs (SDSS/SEGUE, arXive0902.2324)
 - Siebert et al. find 2-3 kpc depending on halo shape
- $\sigma(R,\varphi,z)$, asymmetric drift \rightarrow disk scale length

In-Situ Kinematics

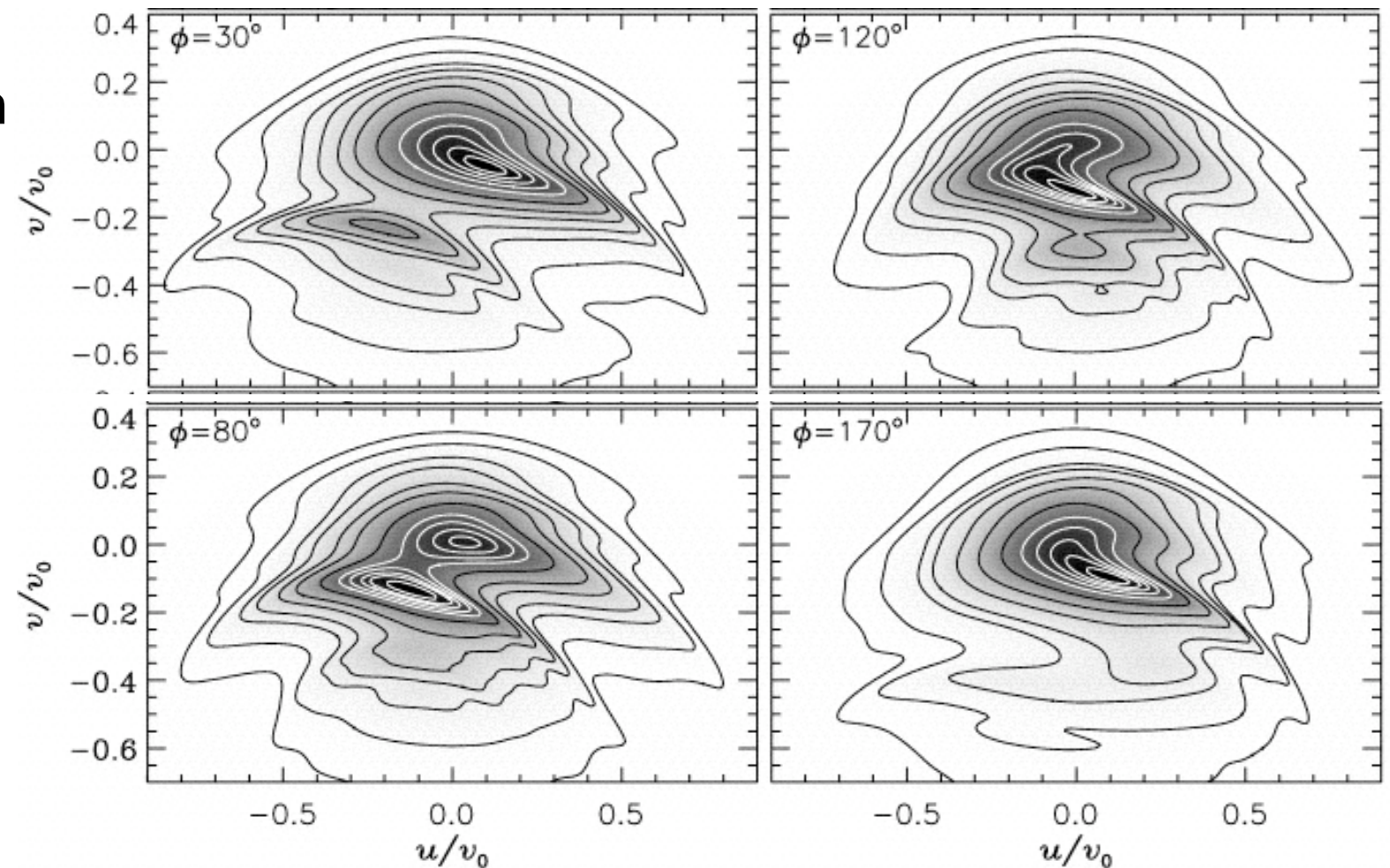
- $\langle V \rangle$, σ^2 at large $|Z|$ to boost fraction of thick disk stars
- RV, PM, PM+RV all useful kinematic data
- thick+thin disk decomposition
 - scale heights
 - self-consistent models for density, kinematic distributions (need mass profile, structural parameters)
 - recently, Siebert et al. 2008 (RAVE)
 - ...and many people in this room...
- Velocity, dispersion gradients



Equilibrium disk models
 Girard et al. 2006
 Lines: models, Hatched: data
 blue, red scale heights 5,3.5 kpc

Deviations from Axisymmetry

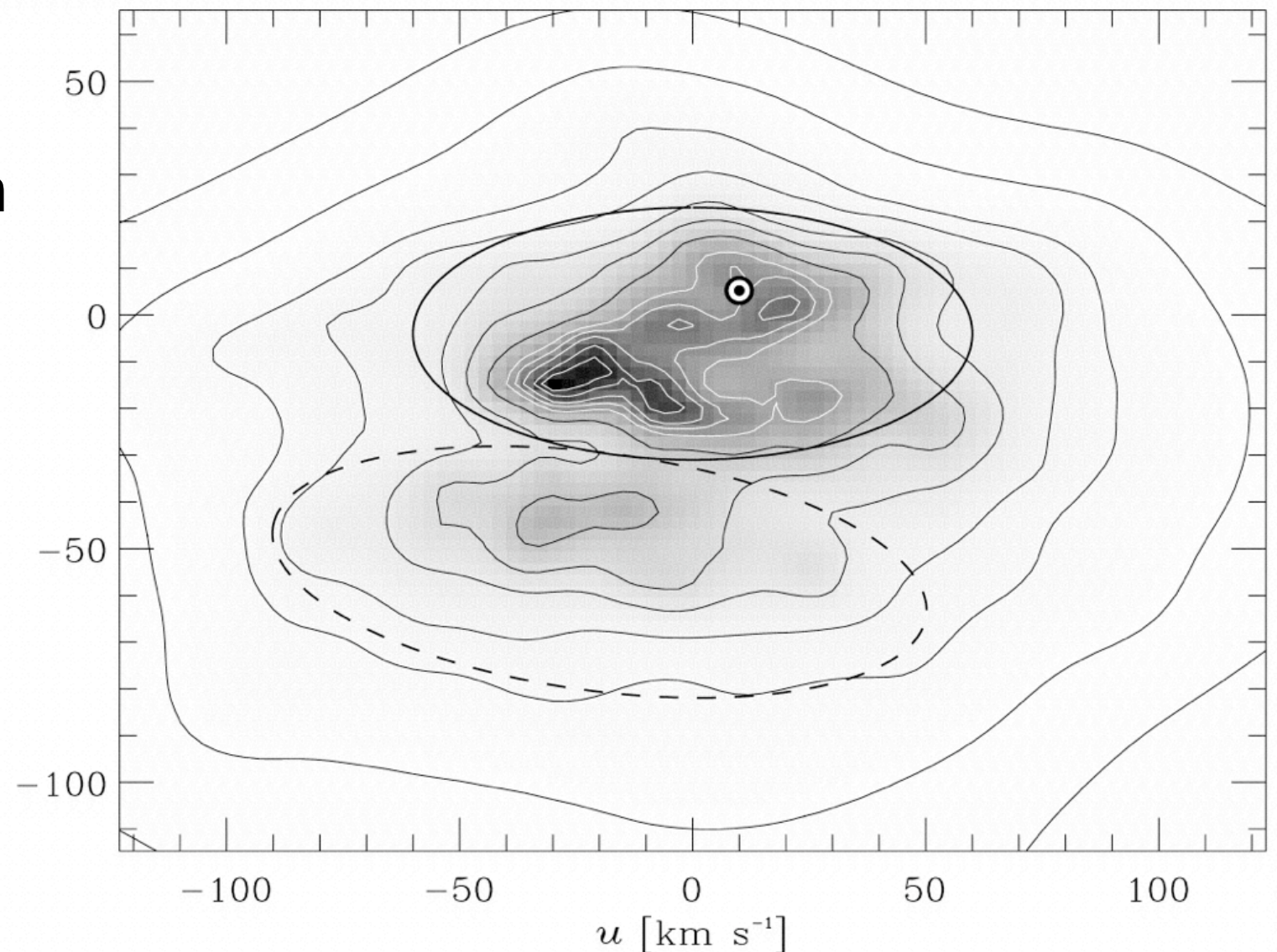
- Deviations from axisymmetry → measurable kinematic features
- Dehnen 2000: second peak in u, v distribution caused by OLR of bar
 - constraint on bar pattern speed and radius of OLR
- Same kind of predictions for spiral structure from Minchev & Quillen 05
- Signatures of non-axisymmetry are bigger in the region of the structures
 - want kinematics at large distances in the disk



Dehnen 2000: Models

3D Kinematics from 3-N Components

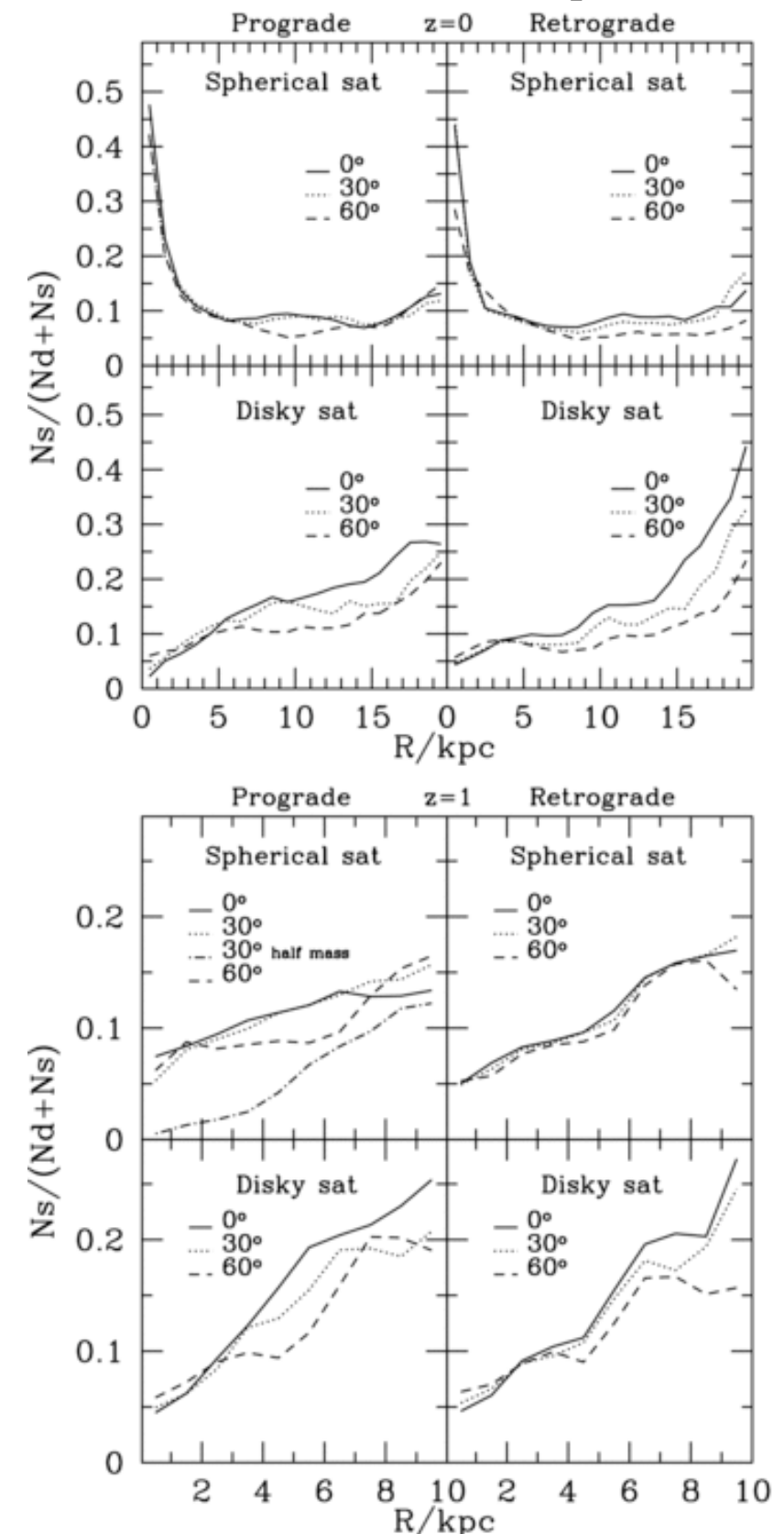
- Not usually in the happy situation of having all three velocity components
- Large datasets with well characterized errors: statistical reconstruction of the full 3D distribution
- Dehnen & Binney 1998: moments of projection equations to get $\langle v \rangle$, σ
- ~like Frenk & White 1980, but NOT unbiased estimator for individual stars
- Dehnen 2000: ML reconstruction of the full distributions
- requirement is that velocities uncorrelated with position (careful...)



Dehnen 2000: Reconstructed velocity distribution

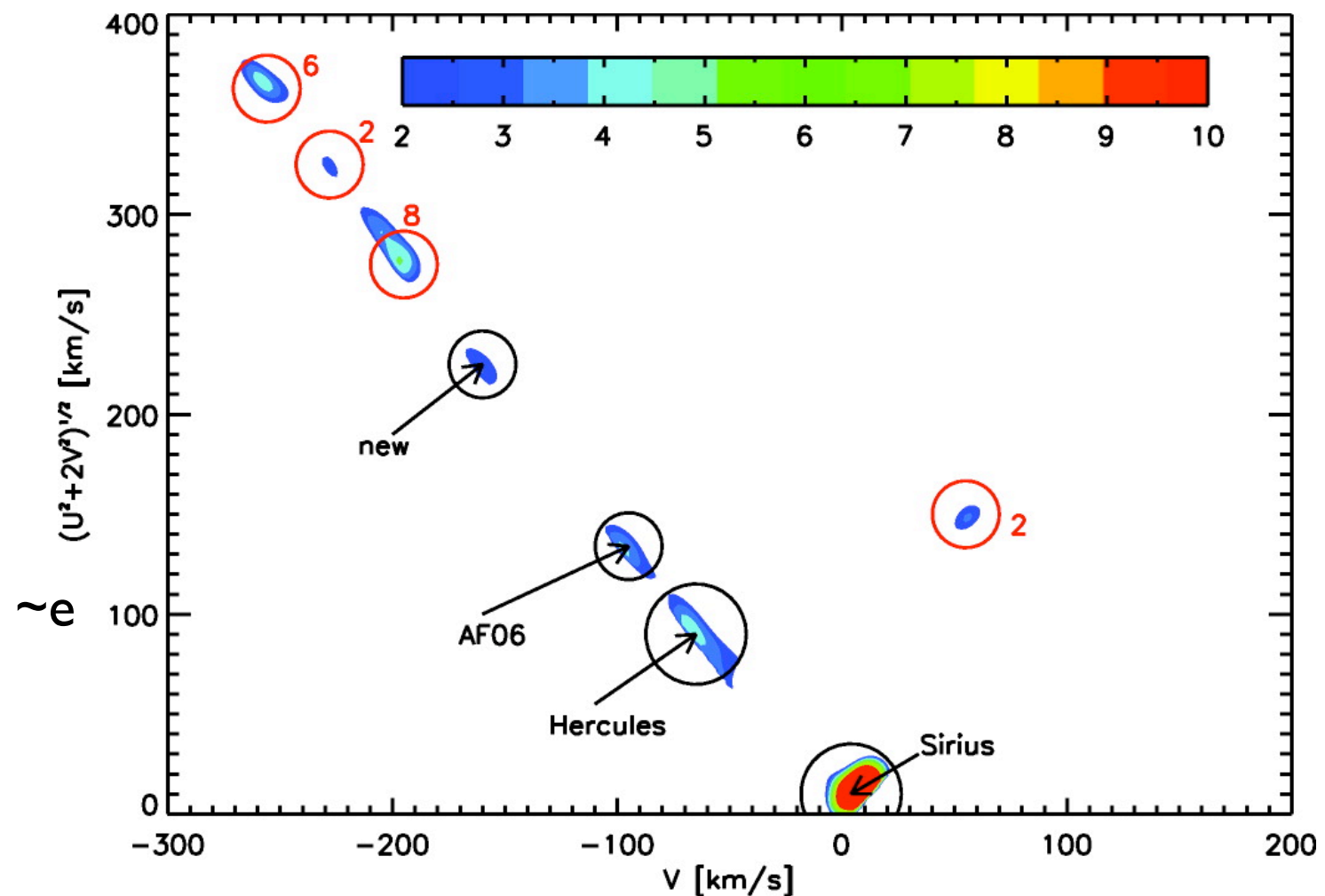
Disk Kinematics vs. Galaxy Formation Theory

- The local thick disk is really old: 10+ Gyrs
- The old thin disk is old, too: 8 Gyrs
- Structure formation simulations: the MW probably had a 10:1 merger since $z \sim 1$ (Stewart et. al 2008)
- Destructiveness:
 - probably depends on gas fraction (Stewart et al. 2009)
 - upon further simulation, might not be so bad (Villalobos & Helmi 2008)
- This dynamical history should leave traces, and maybe stars from the culprits (eg, Abadi et al. 2005), in old disk kinematics



Disk Kinematic Substructure Zoo

- Photometric detections, RV follow-up: Monoceros/GASS
- Bulk motion test: Seabroke 2008 (RAVE+local)
- Helmi et al. 2006
 - G-C N04 data
 - apo-peri-Lz search
- Klement et al. 2008
 - RAVE data, $d < 400$ pc
 - eccentricity, Lz search



Summary

- We are not saturated in kinematic data: more at all distances in the disk would improve mass profile and structural parameters, characterization of deviations from axisymmetry, ...
- Constraints on the mass distribution from local kinematics will improve multicomponent modeling, sensitivity to substructure in conserved variables from kinematics at larger distances
- Non-parametric reconstruction of 3D velocity distributions and moments are promising techniques: don't design them out of surveys

