

Inferring the mass of the Dark Matter Halo from Globular Cluster 3D Kinematics



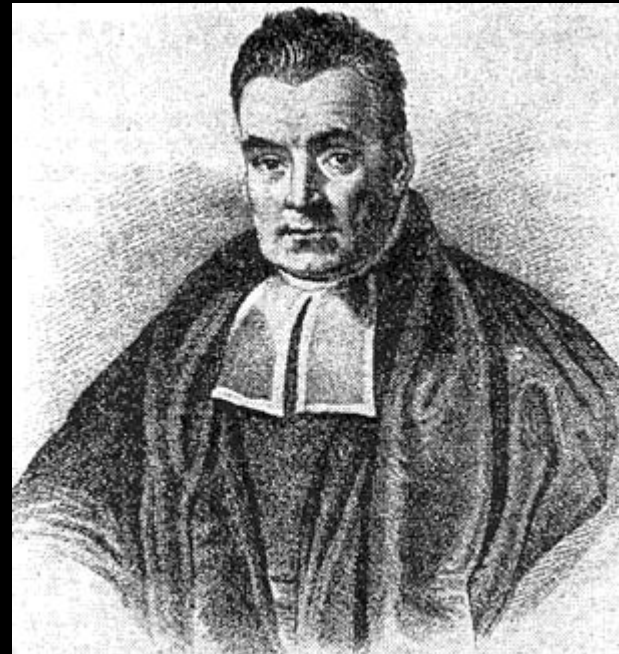
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The Bayesian Paradigm



Thomas Bayes (1701-1761)

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model parameters

data

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Probability distribution function of model parameters, given the data, the model, and prior assumptions.

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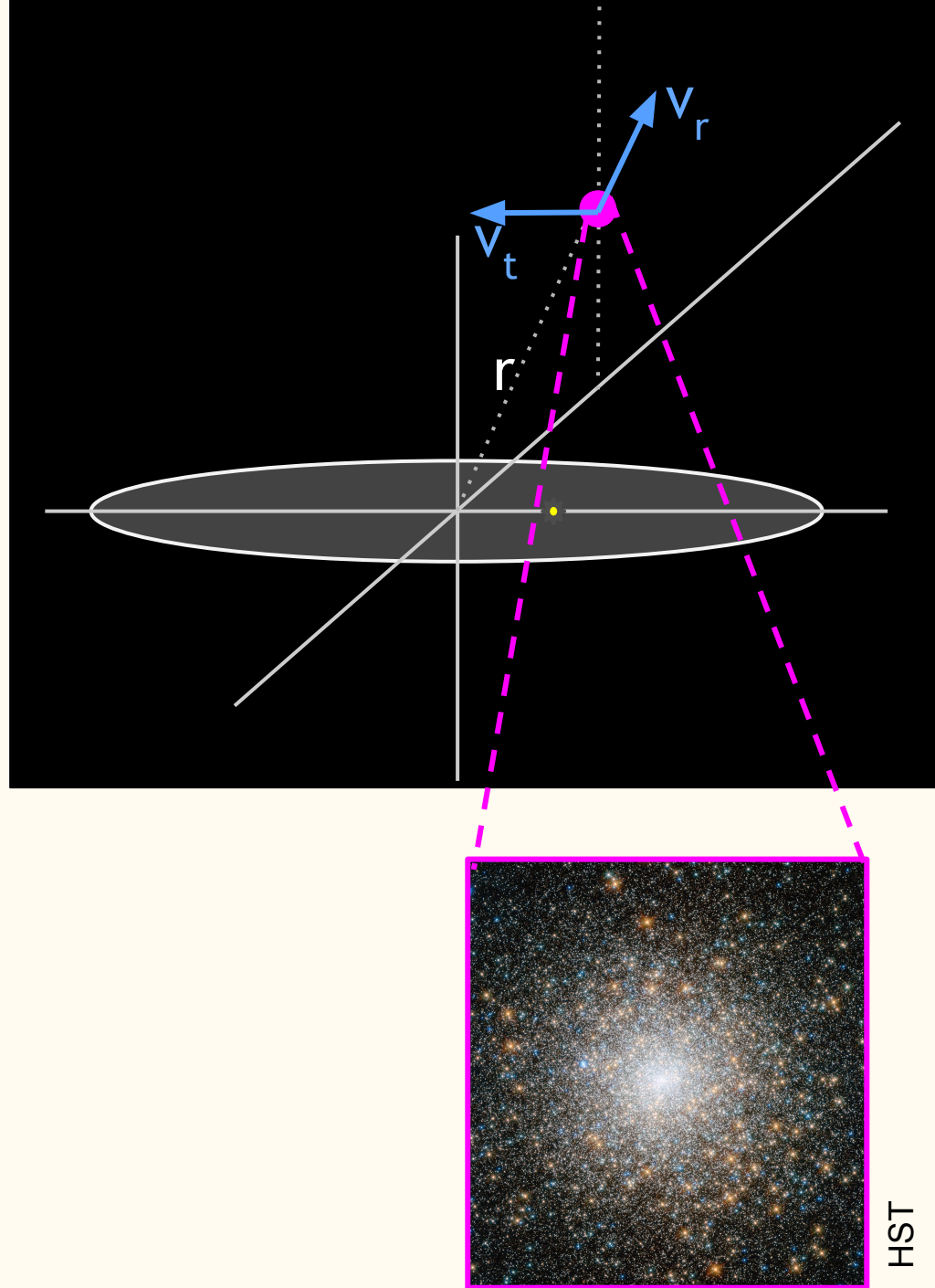
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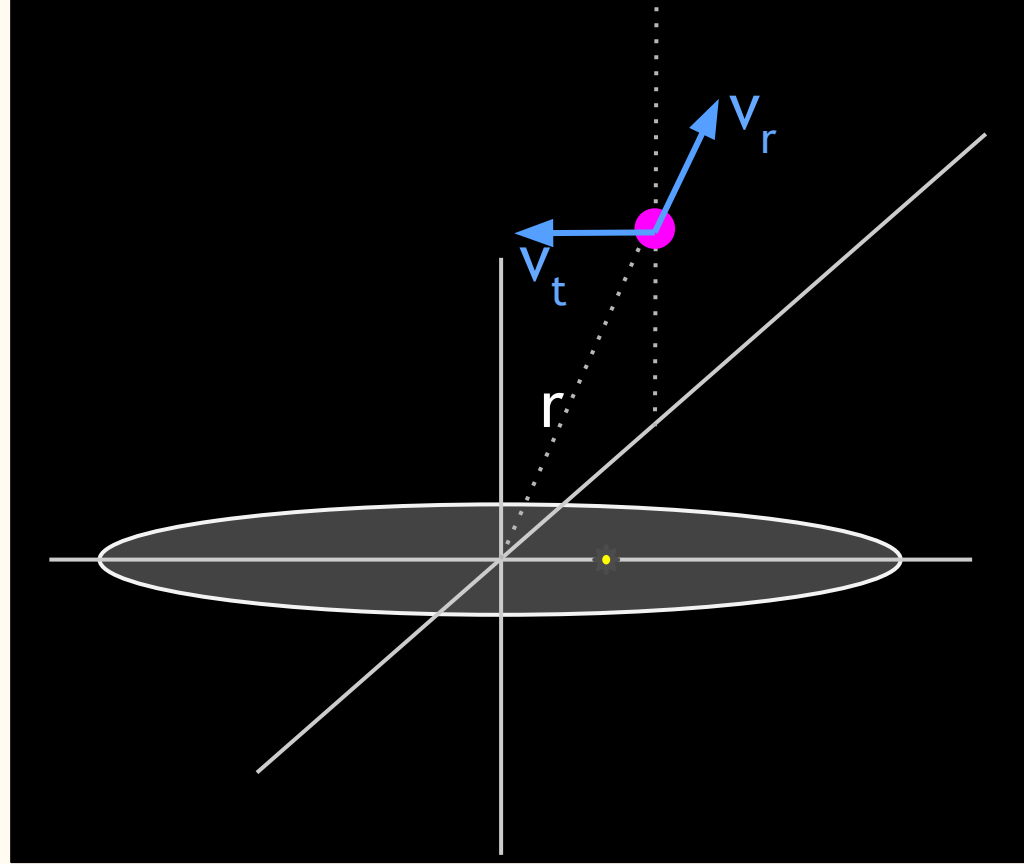
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Assuming tracers are independent:

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\mathcal{E}, L) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n f(\mathcal{E}_i, L_i|\boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

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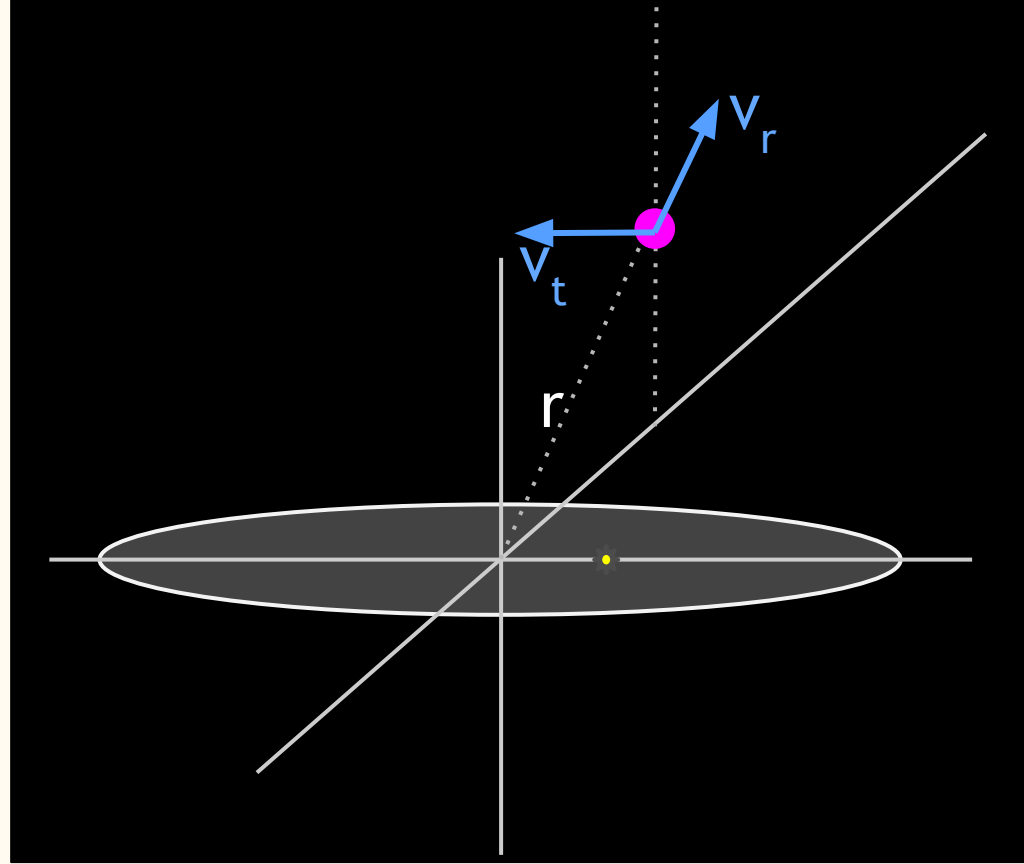
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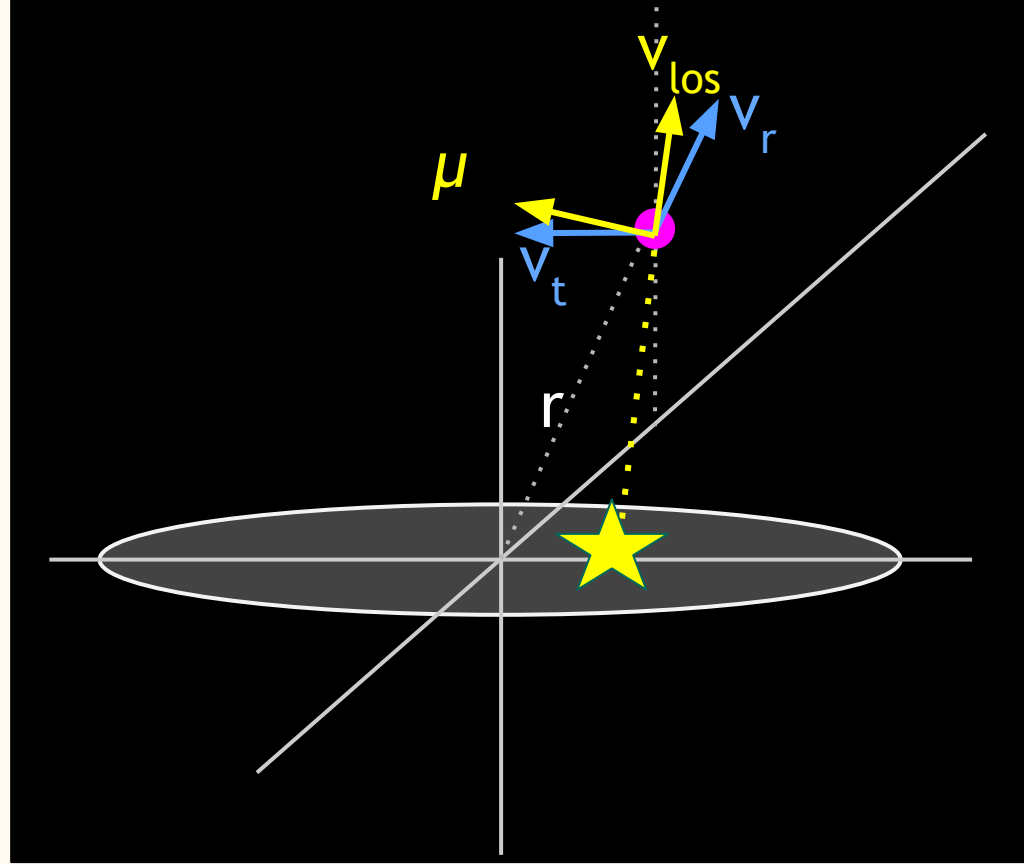
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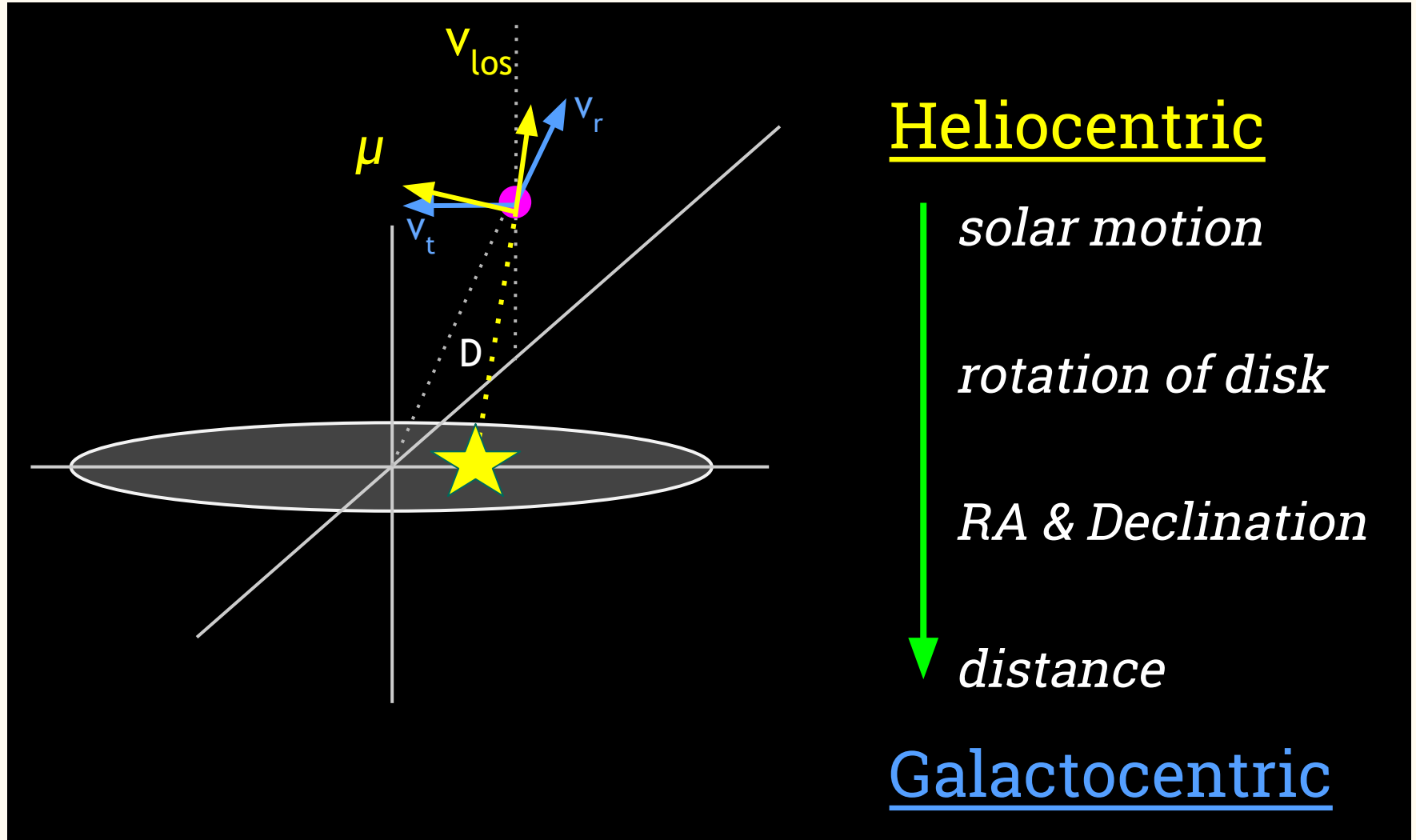
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**Heliocentric
Reference
Frame!**

Not really a problem...



Good guide: Johnson & Soderblom (1987), *Astronomical Journal*, 23:4.

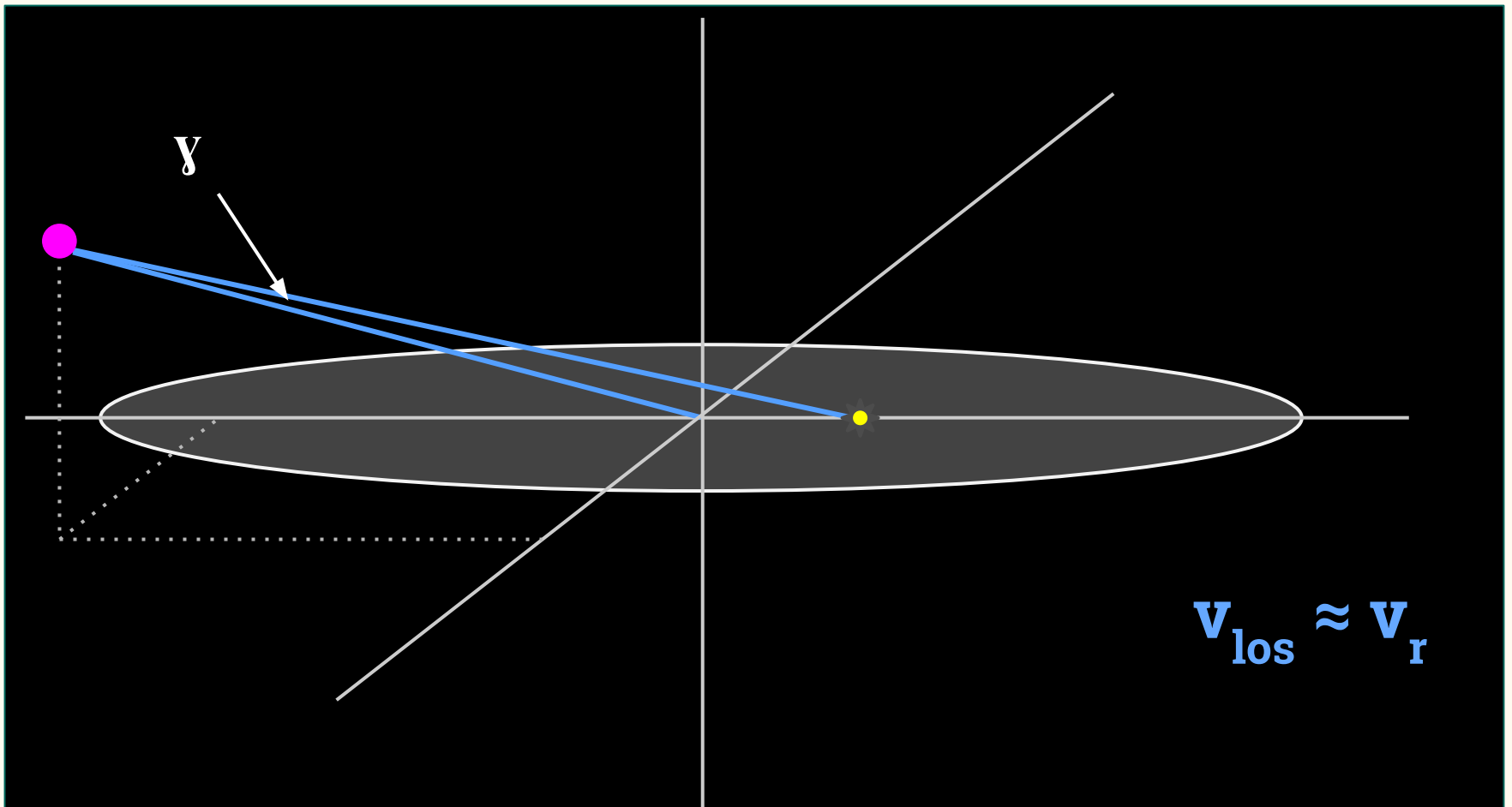
... except that ...

Globular Cluster 3D Kinematics are Incomplete

GC	r	μ		v_{los}			
		Eadie and Harris		Eadie & Harris (2016), <i>submitted to ApJ</i>			
		TABLE 1 KINEMATIC DATA OF GALACTIC GLOBULAR CLUSTERS					
Object	r kpc	$\mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta$ (mas/year)	μ_{δ} (mas/year)	v_{los} km s $^{-1}$	$\cos \xi$	μ Reference	Included
NGC 104	7.4	7.26 ± 0.03	-1.25 ± 0.03	-18 ± 0.1	0.17	Cioni	✓
NGC 288	12.0	4.675 ± 0.219	-5.6 ± 0.35	-45.4 ± 0.2	0.75	Casseti	✓
NGC 362	9.4	4.873 ± 0.514	-2.727 ± 0.824	223.5 ± 0.5	0.61	Casseti	✓
Whiting 1	34.5	—	—	-130.6 ± 1.8	0.98	—	—
NGC 1261	18.1	—	—	68.2 ± 4.6	0.90	—	—
Pal 1	17.2	—	—	-82.8 ± 3.3	0.93	—	—
AM 1	124.6	—	—	116 ± 20	1.00	—	✓
Eridanus	95.0	—	—	-23.6 ± 2.1	1.00	—	✓
Pal 2	35.0	—	—	-133 ± 57	1.00	—	✓
NGC 1851	16.6	1.28 ± 0.68	2.39 ± 0.65	320.5 ± 0.6	0.89	Casseti	✓
NGC 1904	18.8	2.34 ± 0.69	-0.5 ± 0.75	205.8 ± 0.4	0.94	Wang	✓
NGC 2298	15.8	4.05 ± 1	-1.72 ± 0.98	148.9 ± 1.2	0.89	Casseti	✓
NGC 2419	89.9	—	—	-20.2 ± 0.5	1.00	—	✓
Ko 2	41.9	—	—	—	1.00	—	—
Pyxis	41.4	—	—	34.3 ± 1.9	0.98	—	✓
NGC 2808	11.1	0.58 ± 0.45	2.06 ± 0.46	101.6 ± 0.7	0.71	Casseti	✓
E 3	9.1	—	—	—	0.57	—	—
Pal 3	95.7	0.33 ± 0.23	0.3 ± 0.31	83.4 ± 8.4	1.00	Majewski & Cudworth Casseti	✓ (μ not included)
NGC 3201	8.8	5.28 ± 0.32	-0.98 ± 0.33	494 ± 0.2	0.43		✓
Pal 4	111.2	—	—	74.5 ± 2.1	1.00		✓
Ko 1	10.2	—	—	—	0.00	—	—

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1. Make approximation $v_r \approx v_{\text{los}}$ when appropriate
2. Sample missing v_t 's as nuisance parameters in the Markov chain

BONUS: Helps to break mass- velocity anisotropy degeneracy

Simple Model!

Past work with this method:

Eadie, Harris, & Widrow (2015), ApJ 806, 54

Eadie, G. 2014, JSM Proceedings, ASA, Section 175.

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Recent Work

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Visible Matter have different
radial profiles

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Gravitational Potential of Dark Matter Halo

$$\Phi = \frac{\Phi_o}{r^\gamma}$$

Density Profile of Tracers

$$\rho_t \propto \frac{1}{r^\alpha}$$

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Cumulative Mass Profile

$$M(< r) = \frac{\gamma \Phi_o}{G} \left(\frac{r}{\text{kpc}} \right)^{1-\gamma}$$

Isothermal Sphere: $\gamma \rightarrow 0$

Keplerian Case: $\gamma \rightarrow 1$

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Velocity Anisotropy
Parameter

$$\beta = 1 - \frac{\sigma_\theta^2 + \sigma_\phi^2}{2\sigma_r^2}$$

What do we want to know?

$$f(\mathcal{E}, L) M(< r) = \frac{\gamma \Phi_o}{G} \left(\frac{r}{\text{kpc}} \right)^{1-\gamma} \frac{+ 1}{\frac{\alpha}{\gamma} - \frac{1}{2}}$$

Φ_o the scale factor for the gravitational potential

γ the power-law slope of the gravitational potential

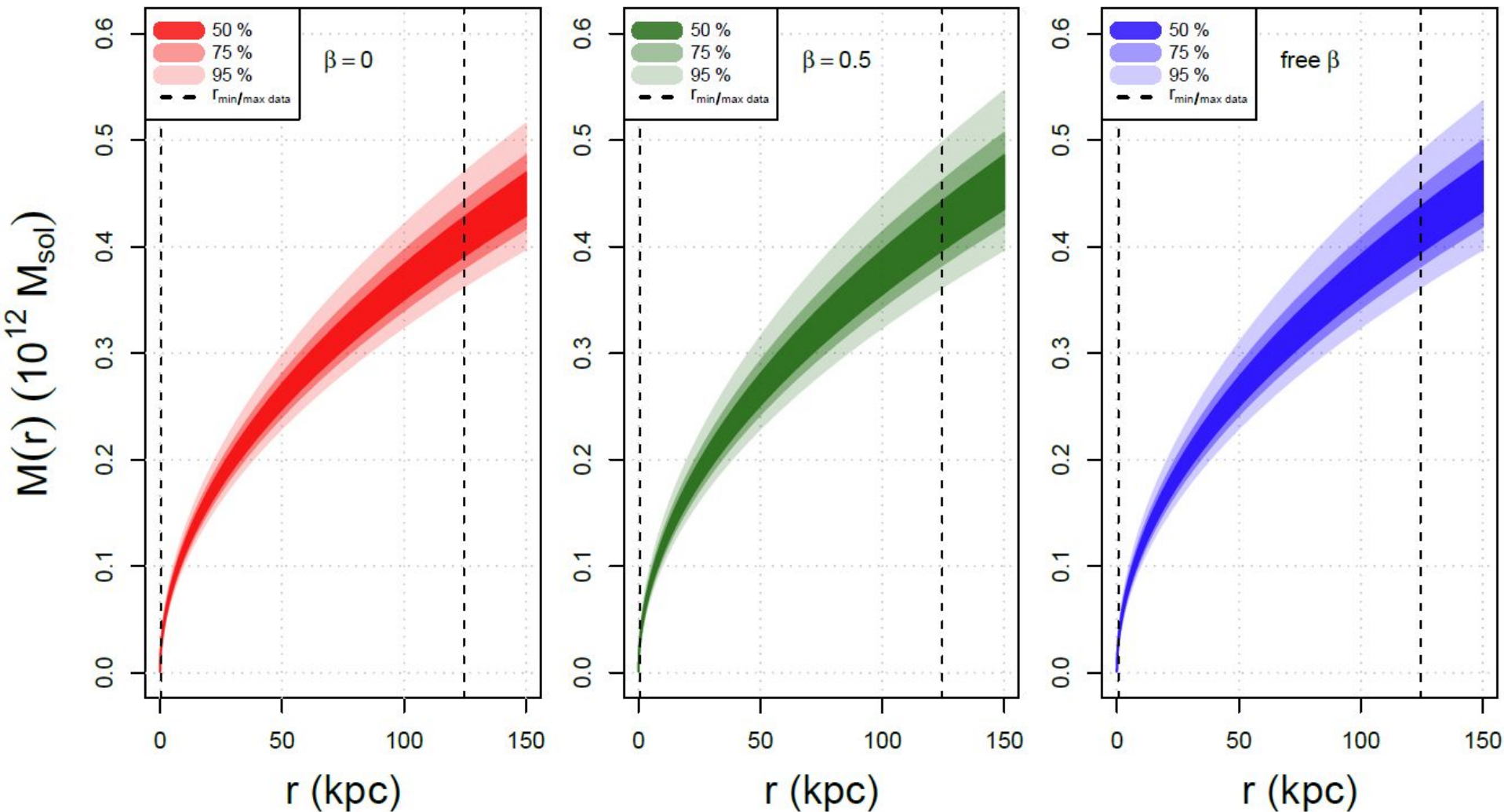
α the power-law slope of the satellite population

β the velocity anisotropy parameter

Group 1

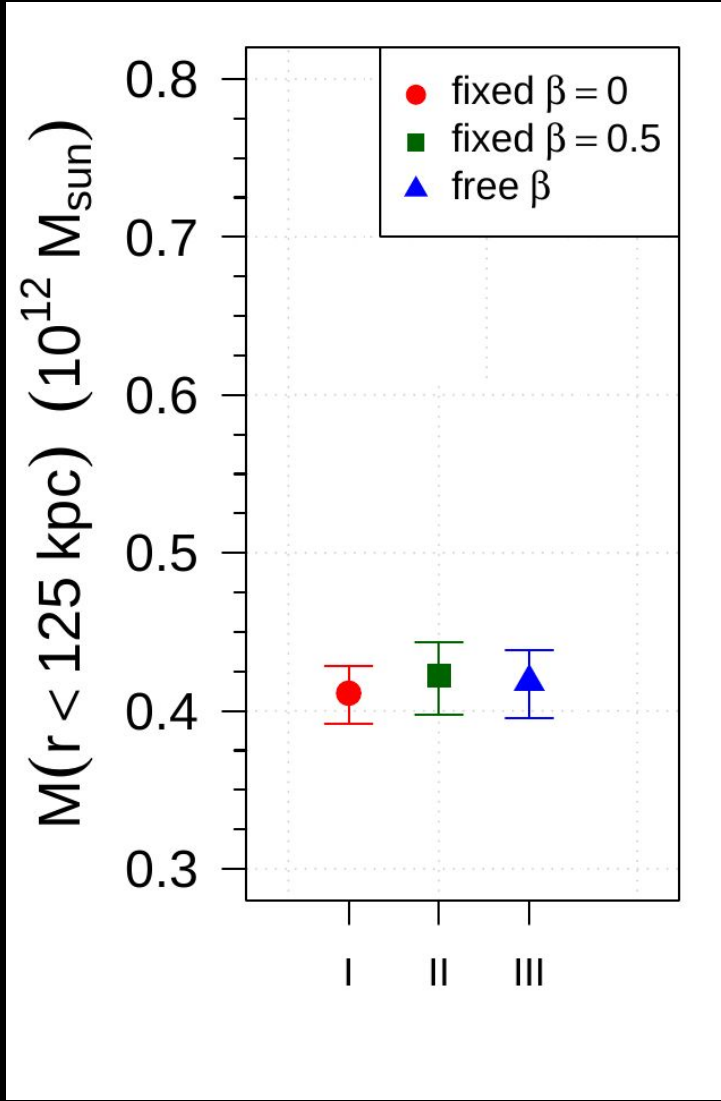
Group	Scenario	Potential γ	Tracers α	Anisotropy β
(1)	I	0.5	3.5	0
	II			0.5
	III			free

Eadie & Harris (2016), submitted to *ApJ*



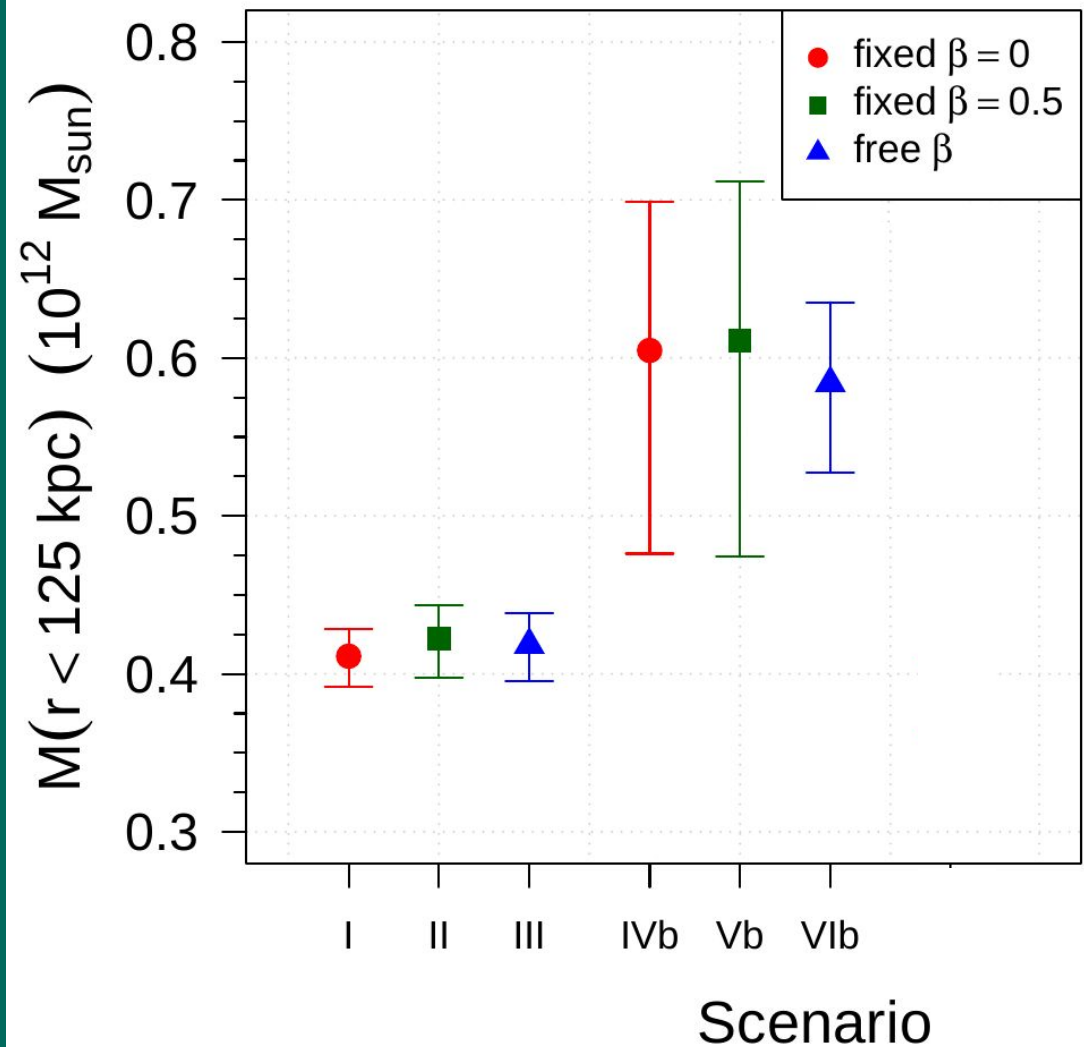
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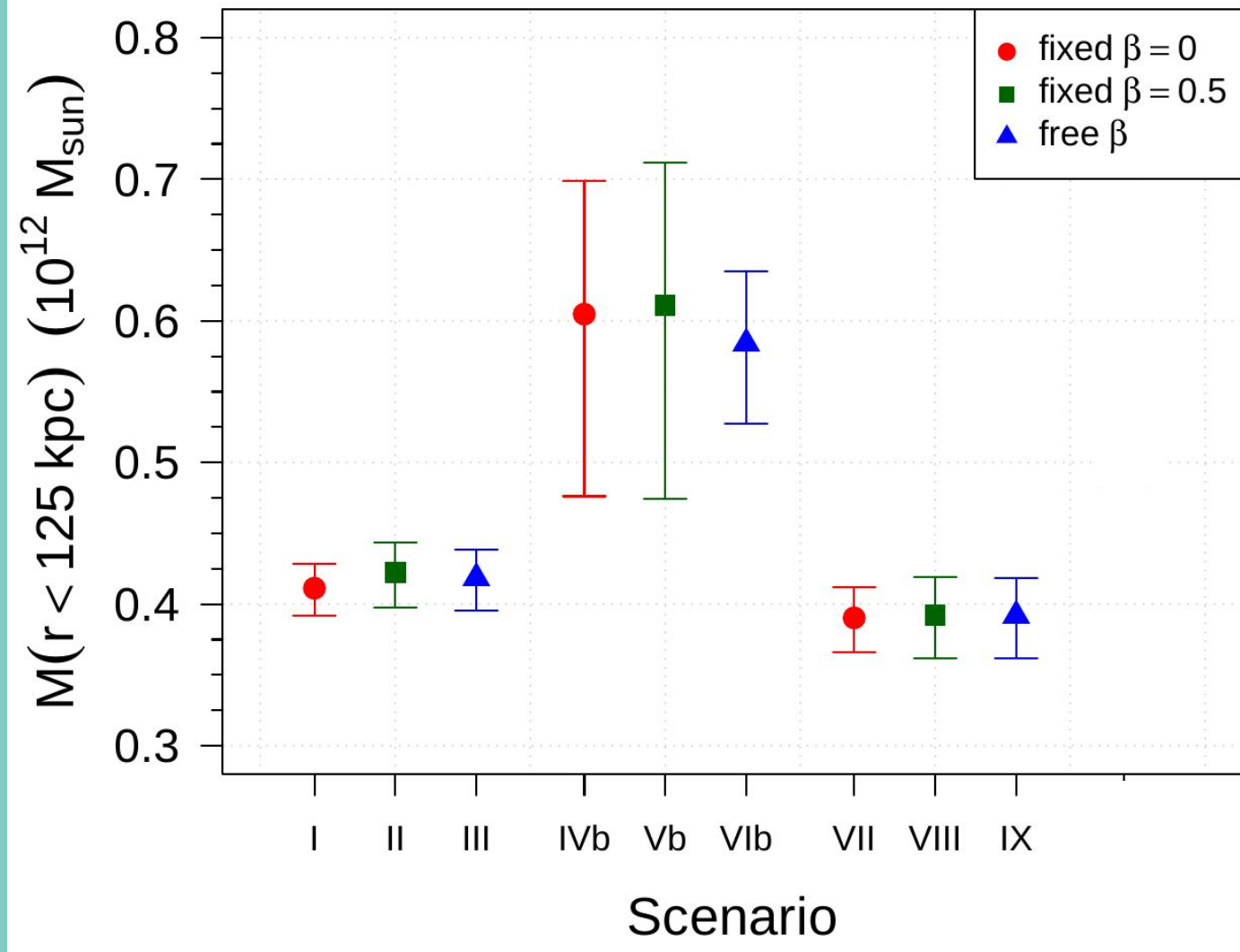
Group 2

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(2)	IV	free	3.5	0
	V			0.5
	VI			free



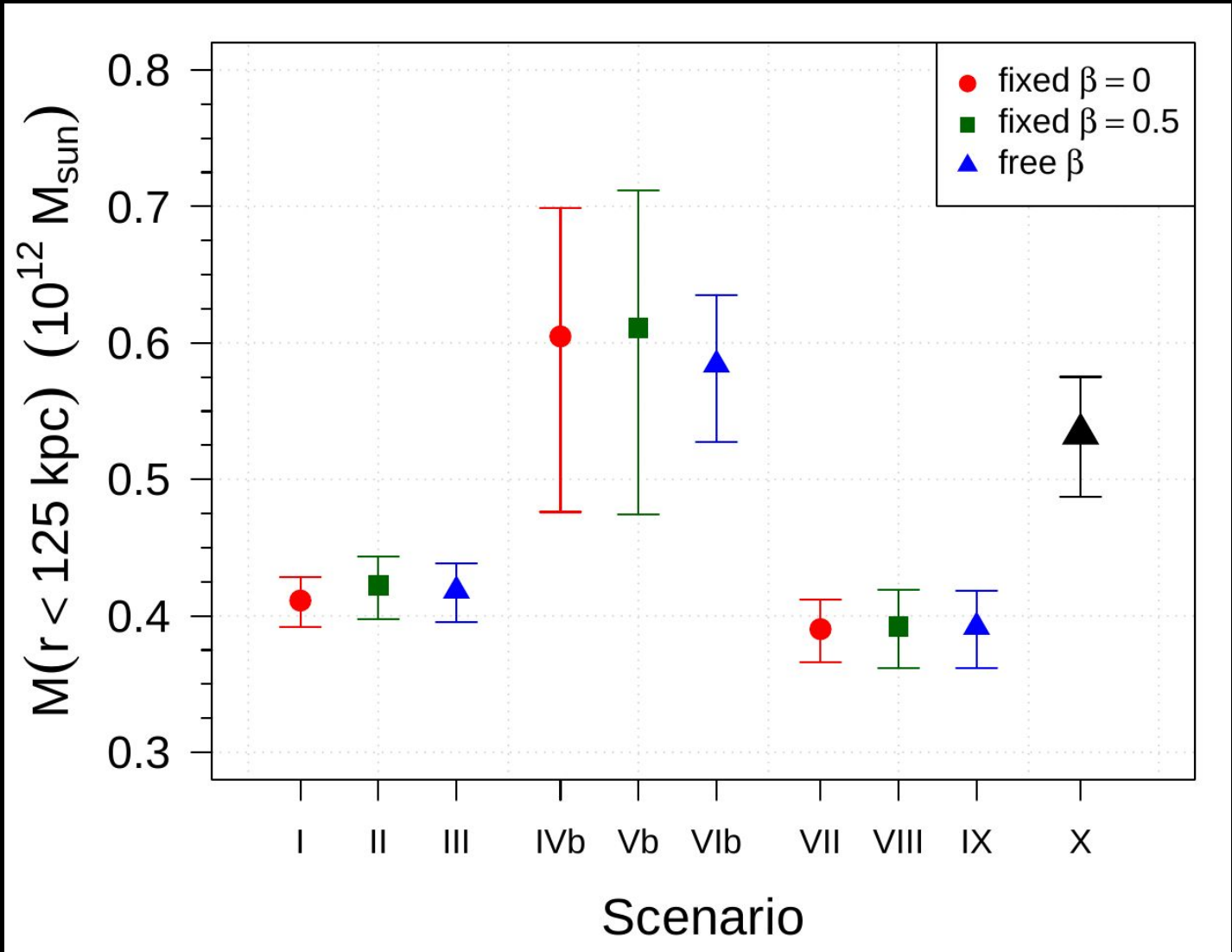
Group 3

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(3)	VII	0.5	free	0
	VIII			0.5
	IX			free



Scenario X

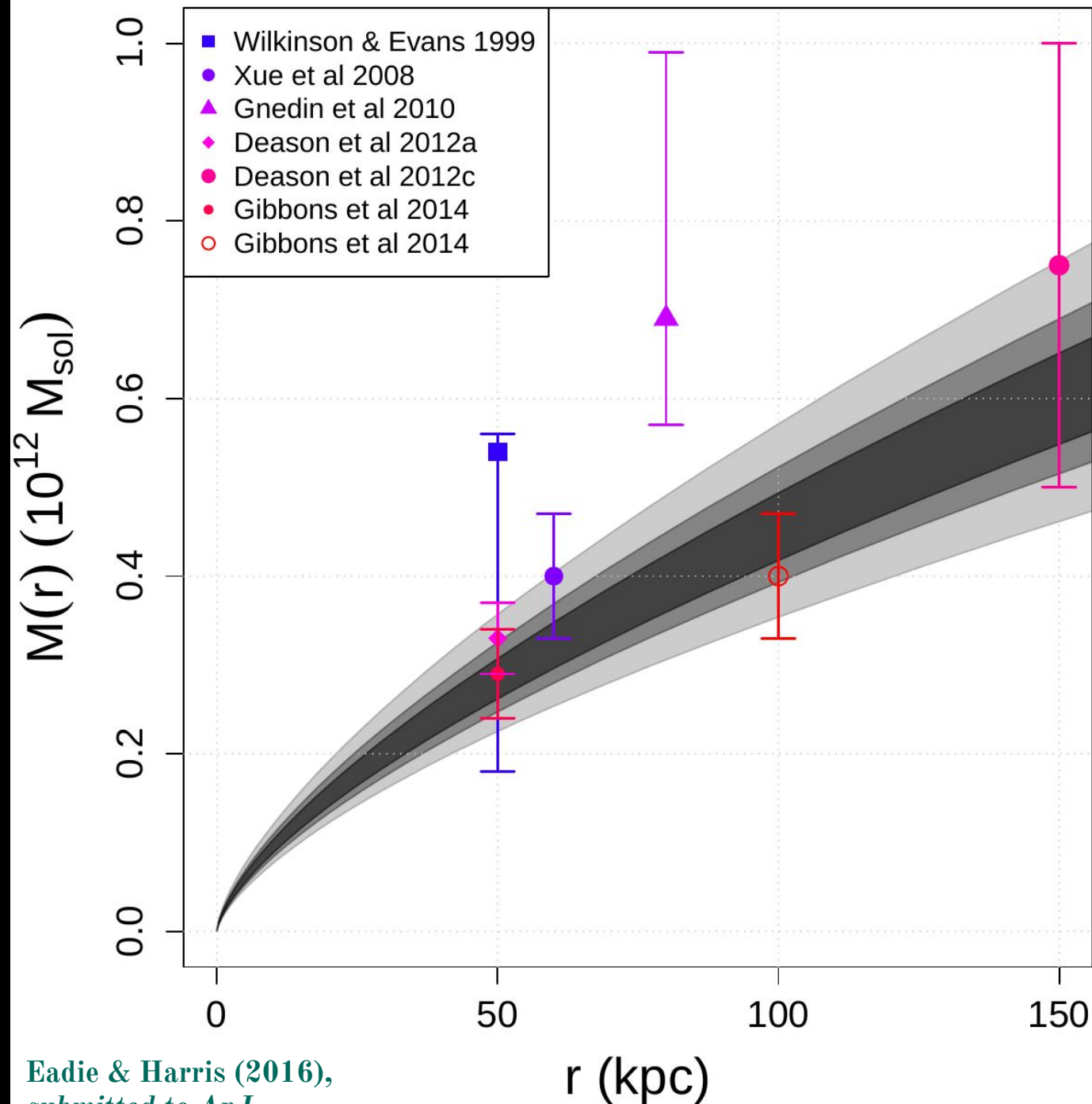
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(4)	X	free	free	free



Scenario X's cumulative mass profile

Virial Mass:
 $7.04 \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}$

50% cred.
(6.23, 7.76)



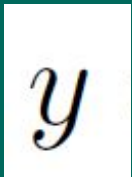
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Latest Results

Hierarchical Bayes --- including measurement uncertainties

Setting up the Hierarchical Bayesian Model

- ❖ **Measurements** *are inherently uncertain*



- ❖ **True values** *of positions and velocities are unknown*



- ❖ **Uncertainties** *are well understood*

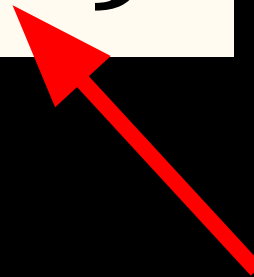


Data drawn from a distribution

Parameter (true value, unknown)



$$\mathbf{r} \sim N(\mathbf{r}, \Delta \mathbf{r})$$



Uncertainty
(fixed)



Data

Probability distribution

Parameter (true value, unknown)

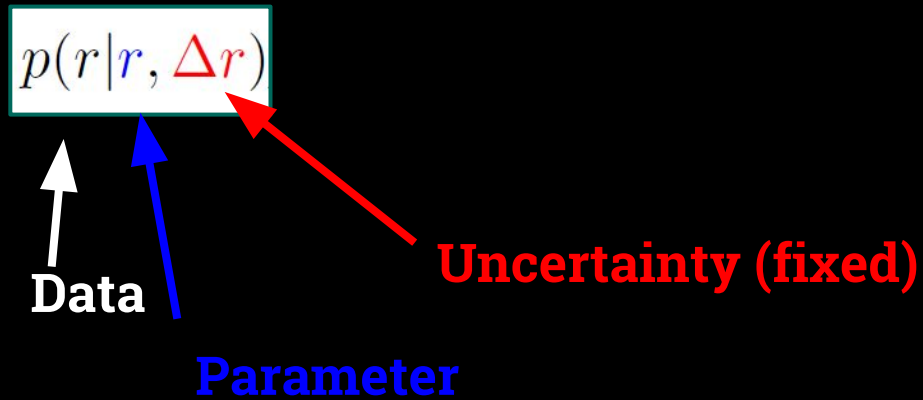
A diagram illustrating the components of a probability distribution. A central yellow box contains the expression $p(r \mid r, \Delta r)$. A blue arrow points from the text 'Parameter (true value, unknown)' to the blue r in the expression. A red arrow points from the text 'Uncertainty (fixed)' to the red Δr in the expression. A white arrow points from the text 'Data' to the entire expression.

$$p(r \mid r, \Delta r)$$

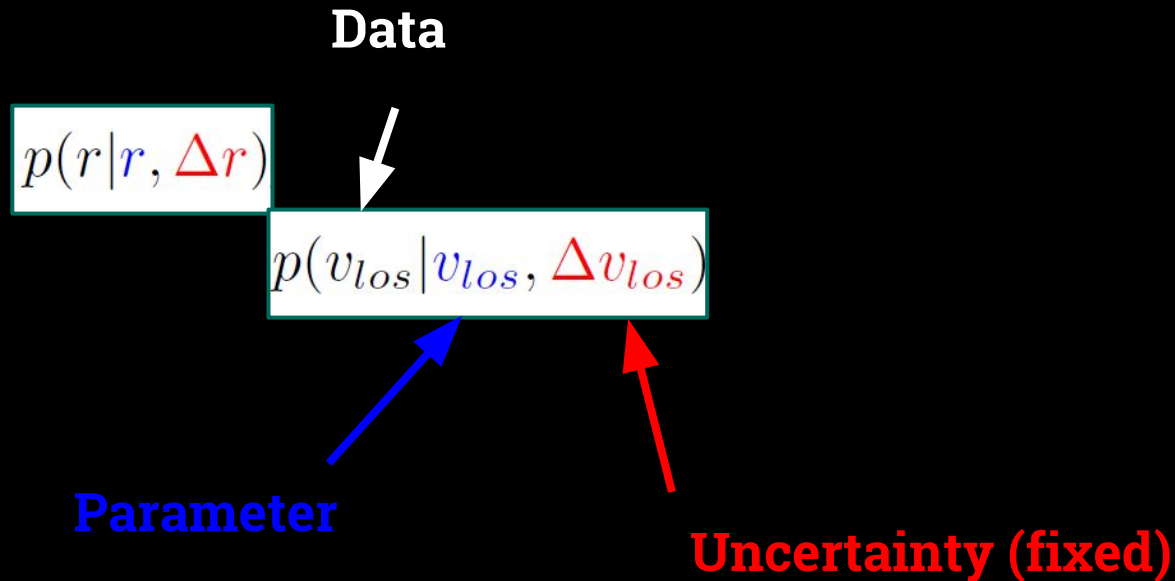
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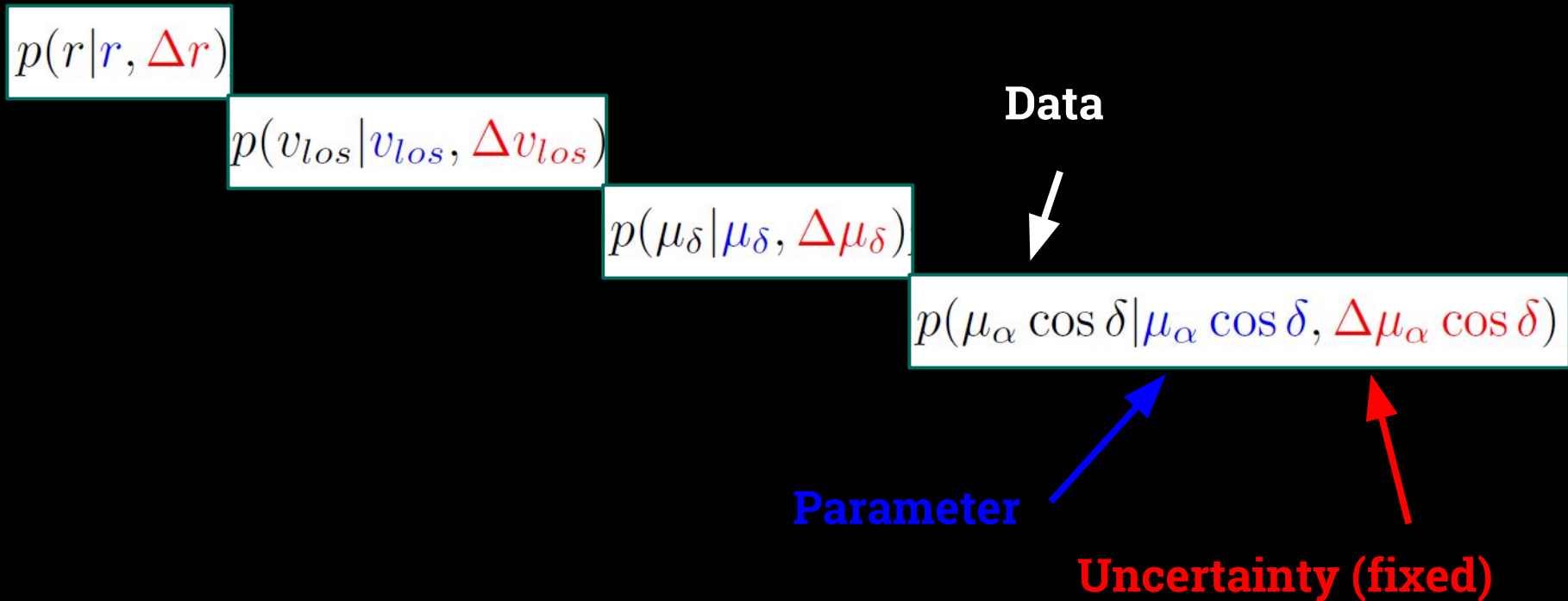
Hierarchical Bayesian Model



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distance

$$p(r|\textcolor{blue}{r}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta r})$$

line-of-sight velocity

$$p(v_{los}|\textcolor{blue}{v_{los}}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta v_{los}})$$

proper motion (DEC)

$$p(\mu_{\delta}|\textcolor{blue}{\mu_{\delta}}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta \mu_{\delta}})$$

proper motion (RA)

$$p(\mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta|\textcolor{blue}{\mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta \mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta})$$

Hierarchical Bayesian Model

$$\mathcal{L} = p(r|\textcolor{blue}{r}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta r})p(v_{los}|\textcolor{blue}{v_{los}}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta v_{los}})p(\mu_{\delta}|\textcolor{blue}{\mu_{\delta}}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta \mu_{\delta}})p(\mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta|\textcolor{blue}{\mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta}, \textcolor{red}{\Delta \mu_{\alpha} \cos \delta})$$

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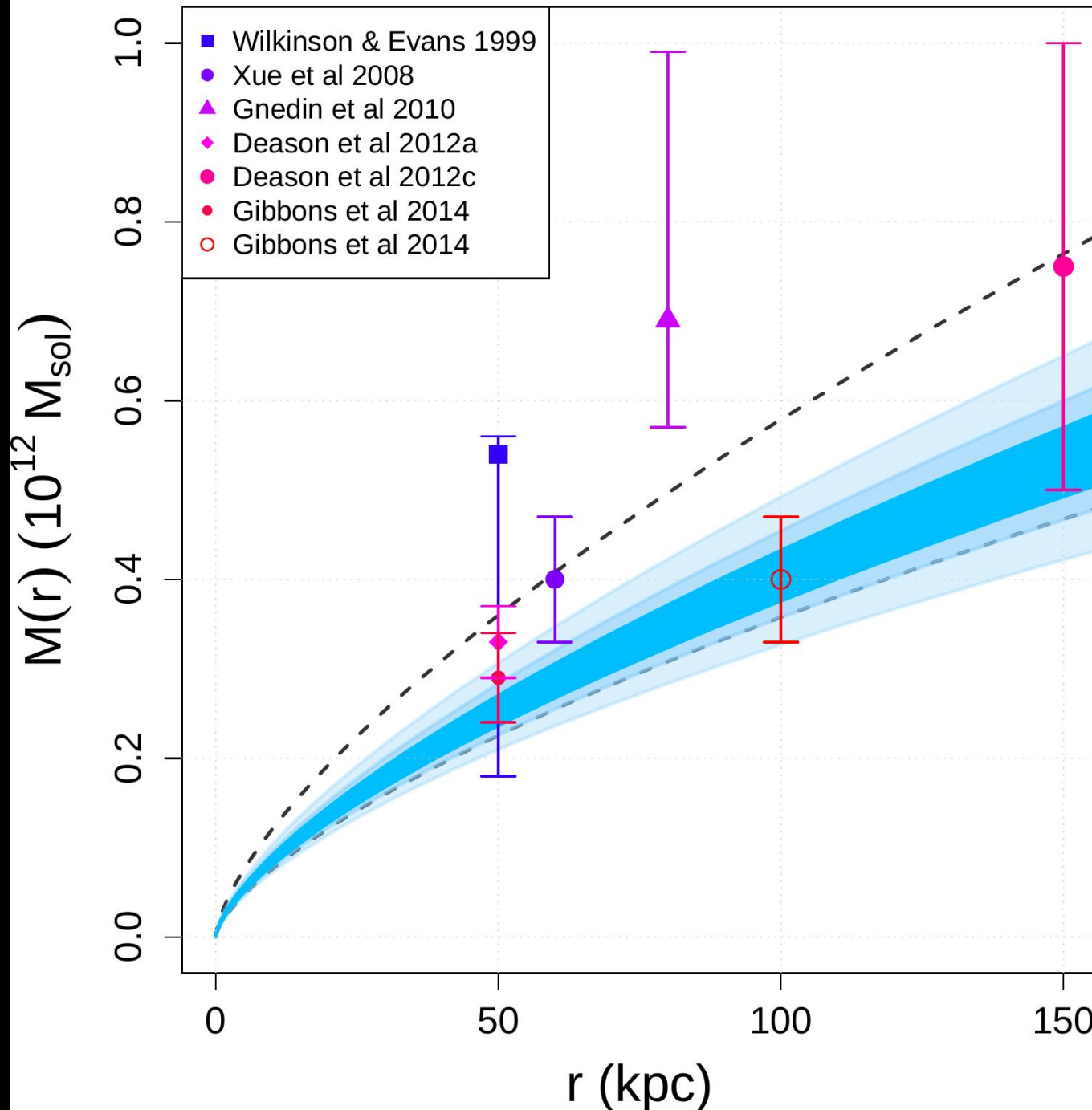
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Scenario X (new)

same data (89
GCs) but
including
uncertainties

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50% cred.
(5.39, 6.52)



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Conclusions

- **Mass profile credible regions** easy to compare to other studies
- Includes **incomplete and complete data** simultaneously
- **Mass of the Milky Way** is “light” under power-law model

$$M_{\text{vir}} = (4.40 - 7.76) \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}} \text{ (95\% credible region)}$$

Future Work & Challenges

- Other galaxies where 3D motions are never known
 - Implement more realistic, physical models
 - First GAIA data release coming soon!
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Thank you!

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