Dynamical friction and gas inhomogenities

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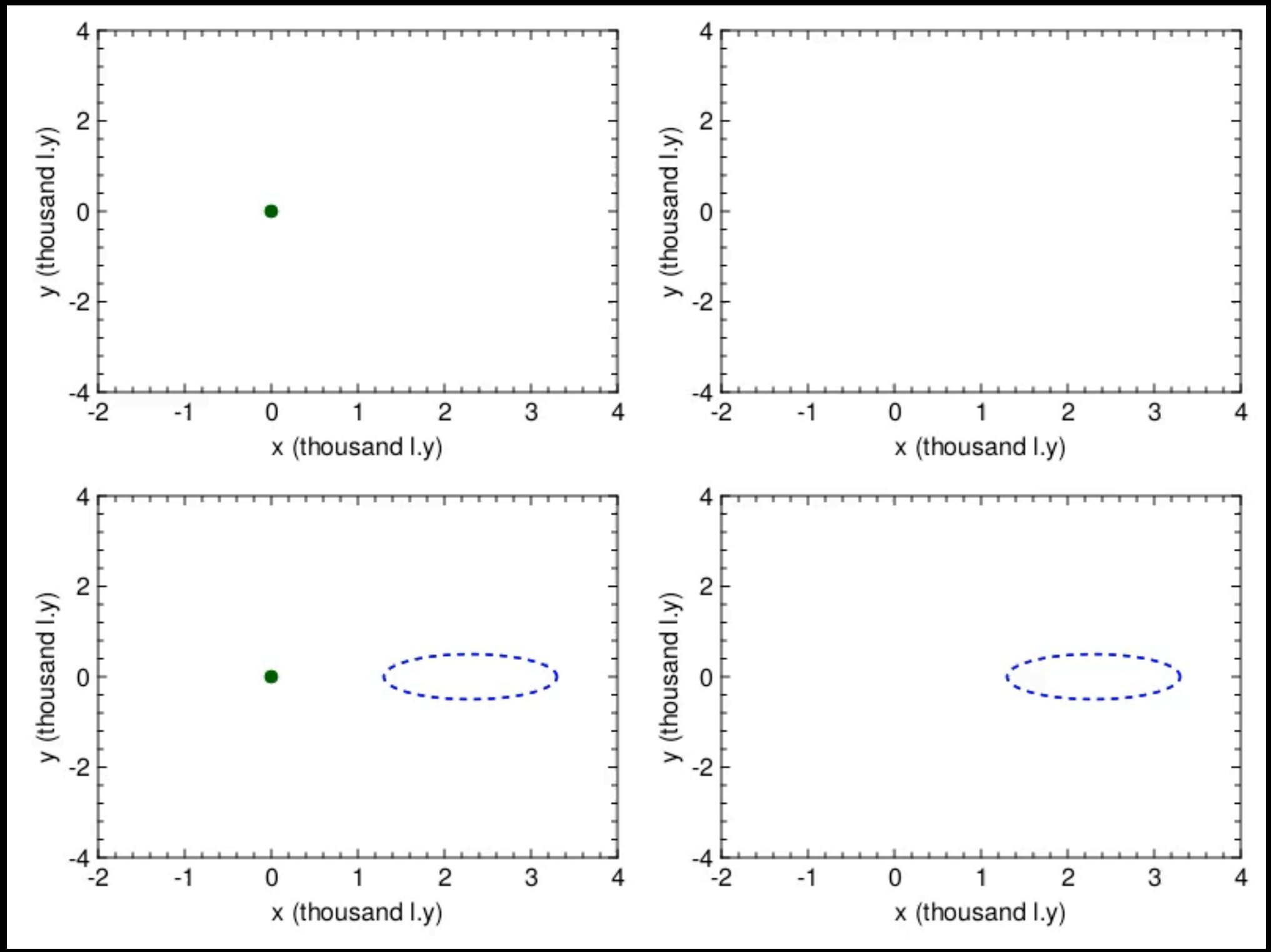
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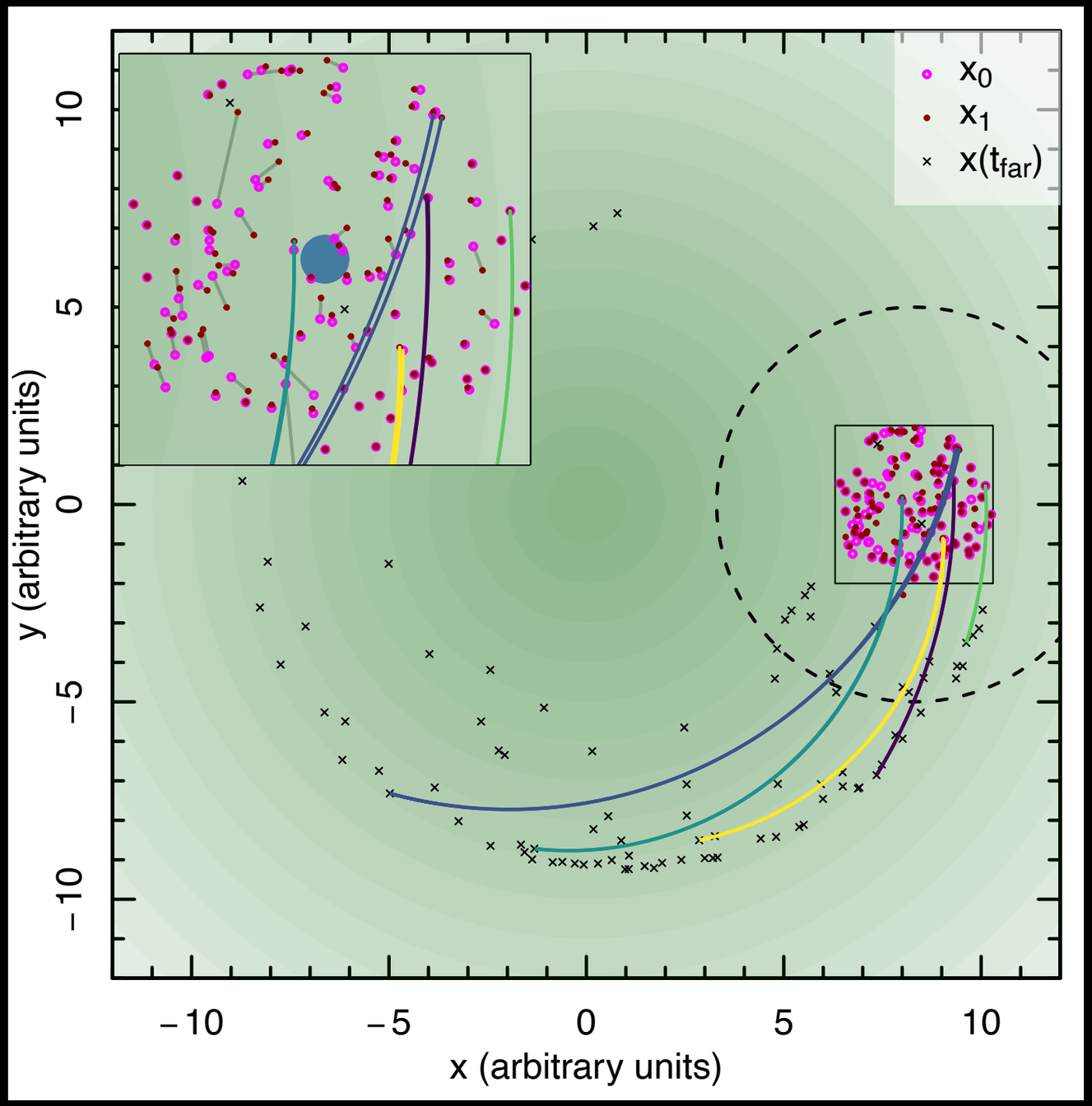


Illustration is heavily exaggerated

Orbit integration to past:

$$\dot{x} = v$$

$$\dot{v} = -\nabla(\Phi_{\text{galaxy}} + \Phi_{\text{perturber}})$$

Until the distance between the particle and perturber is so large we consider the perturber to give insignificant contribution to acceleration

Orbit integration back to the present:

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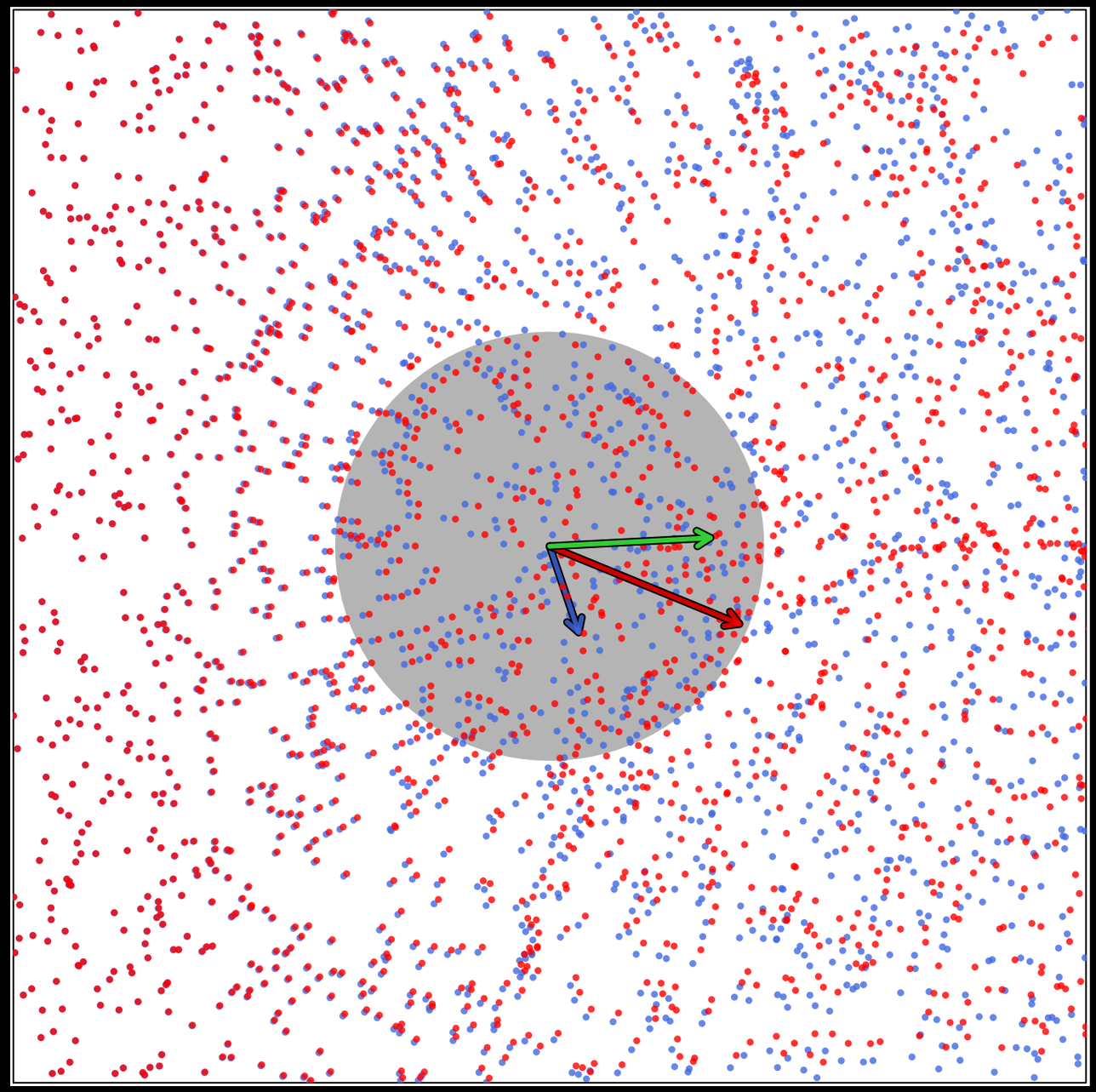
$$\dot{v} = -\nabla\Phi_{\text{galaxy}}$$

When applying this procedure repeatedly, we get 2 distributions around the GC:

- Density of perturbed state
- Density of unperturbed state

Their difference causes DF

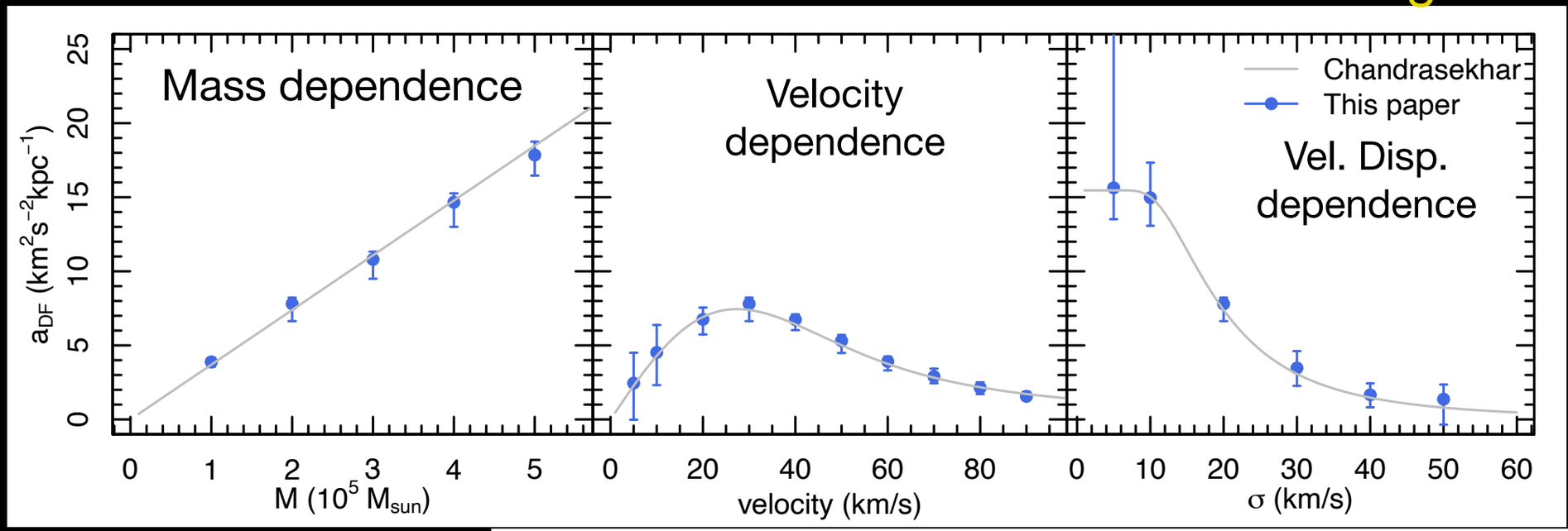
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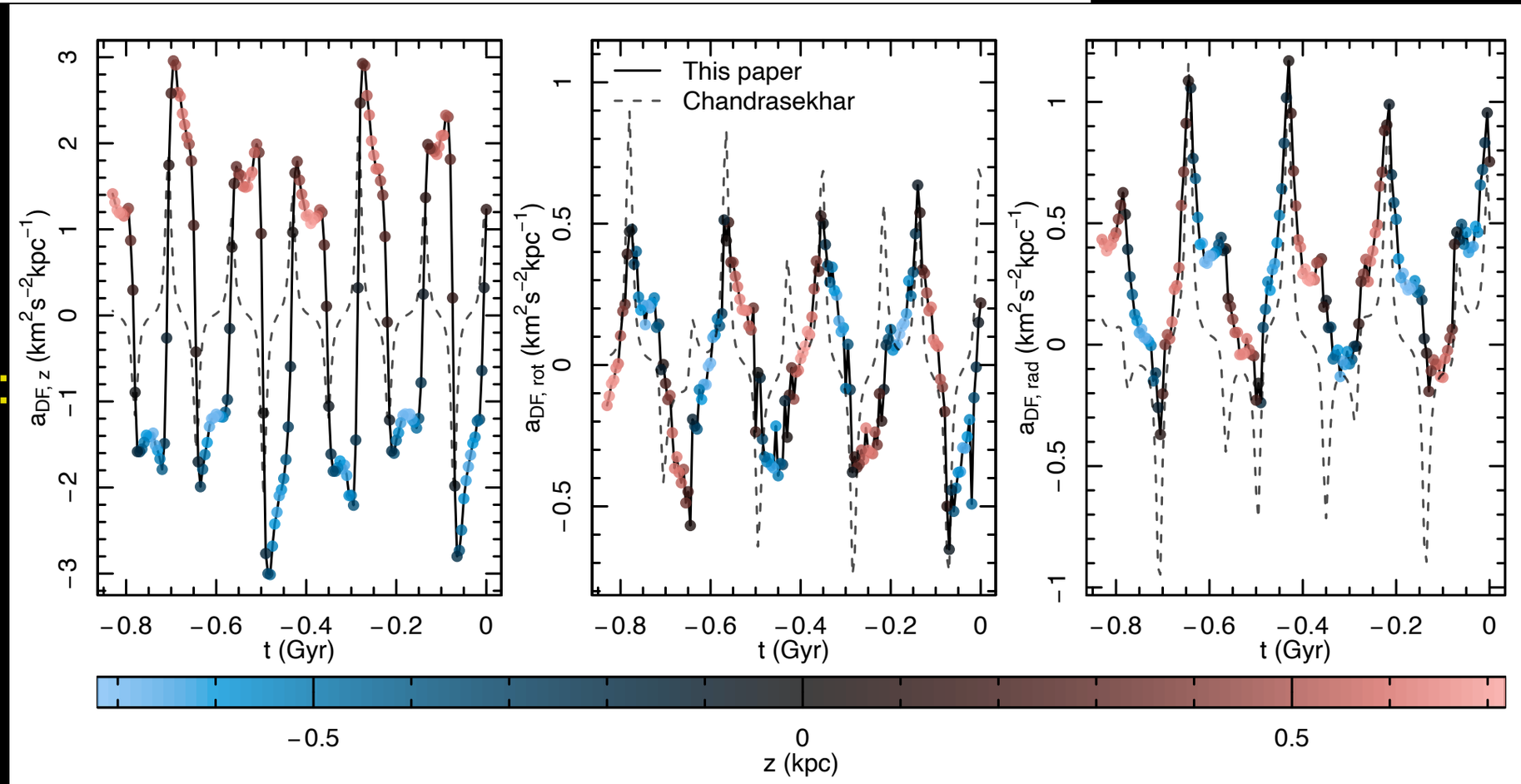
Dynamical friction (DF) perturbed acceleration unperturbed acceleration

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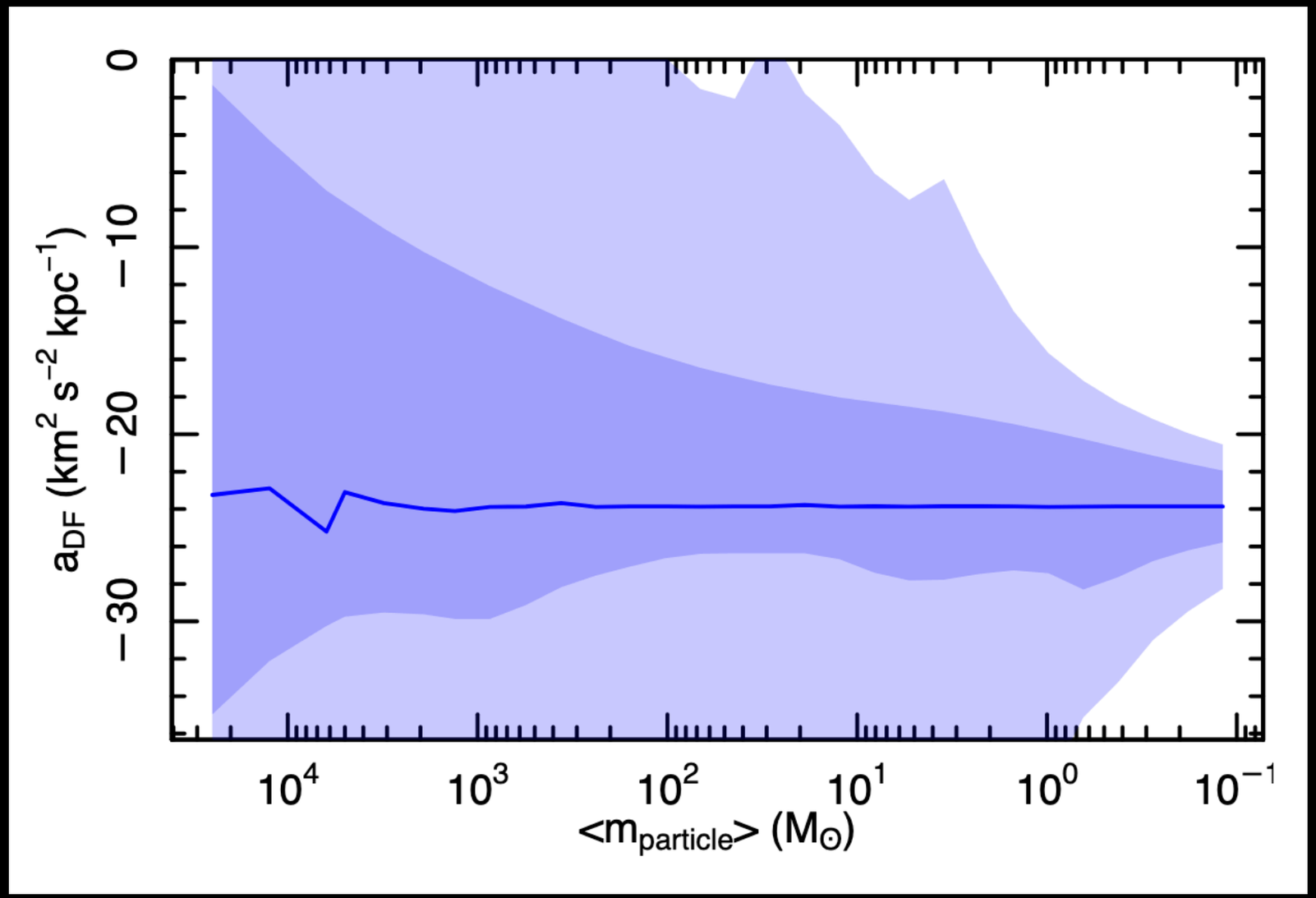


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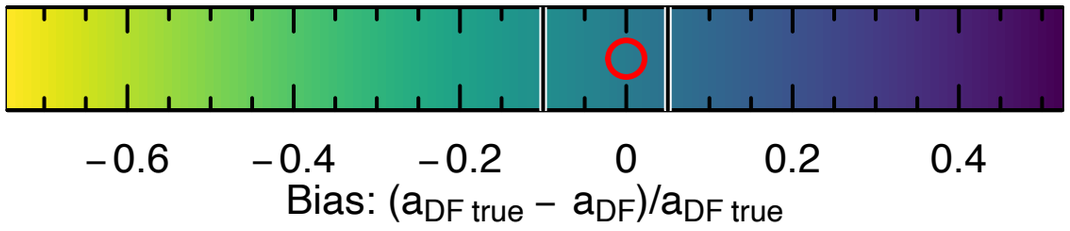
The dynamical friction for the SMBH is sometimes not resolvable in simulations, but here it is seen that it is physically always

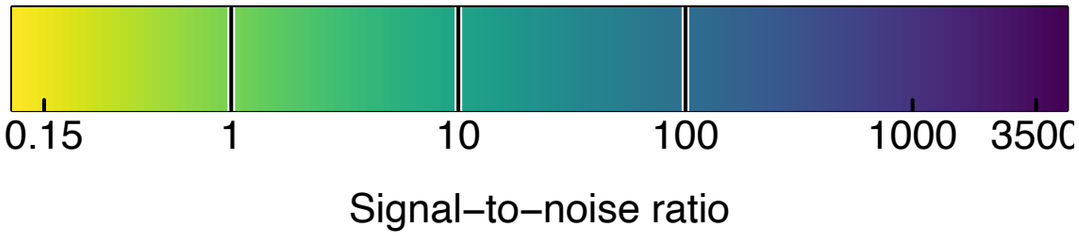


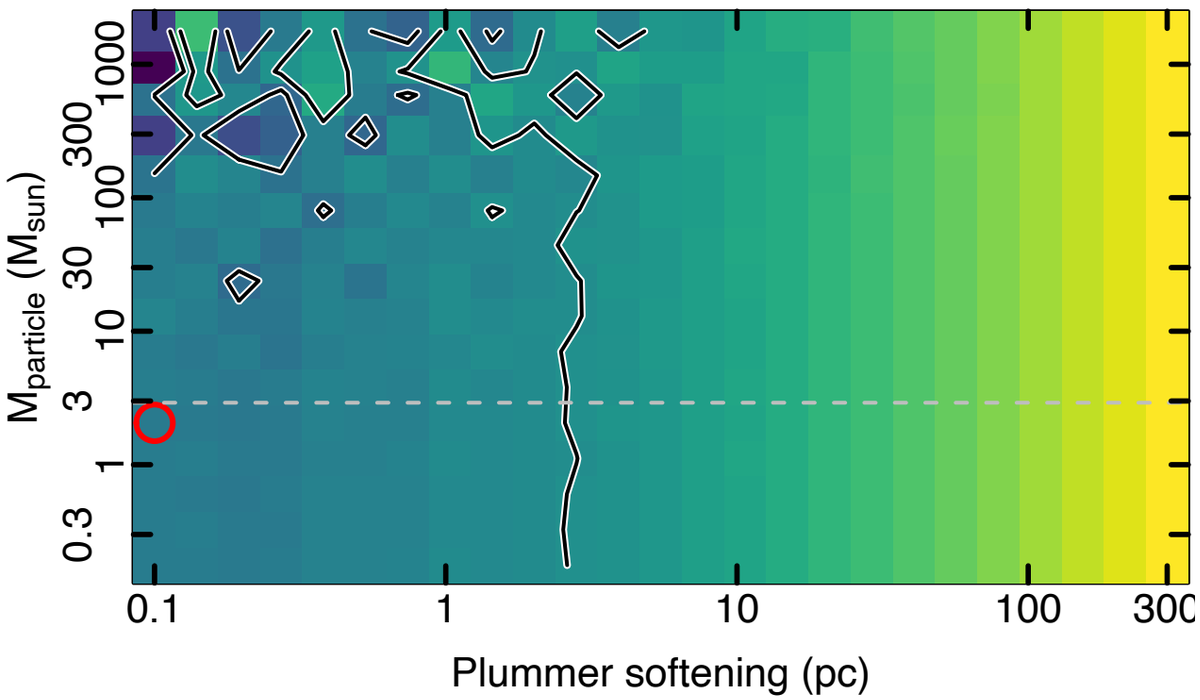
The mass of the perturber is $10^9\,\mathrm{M}_\odot$

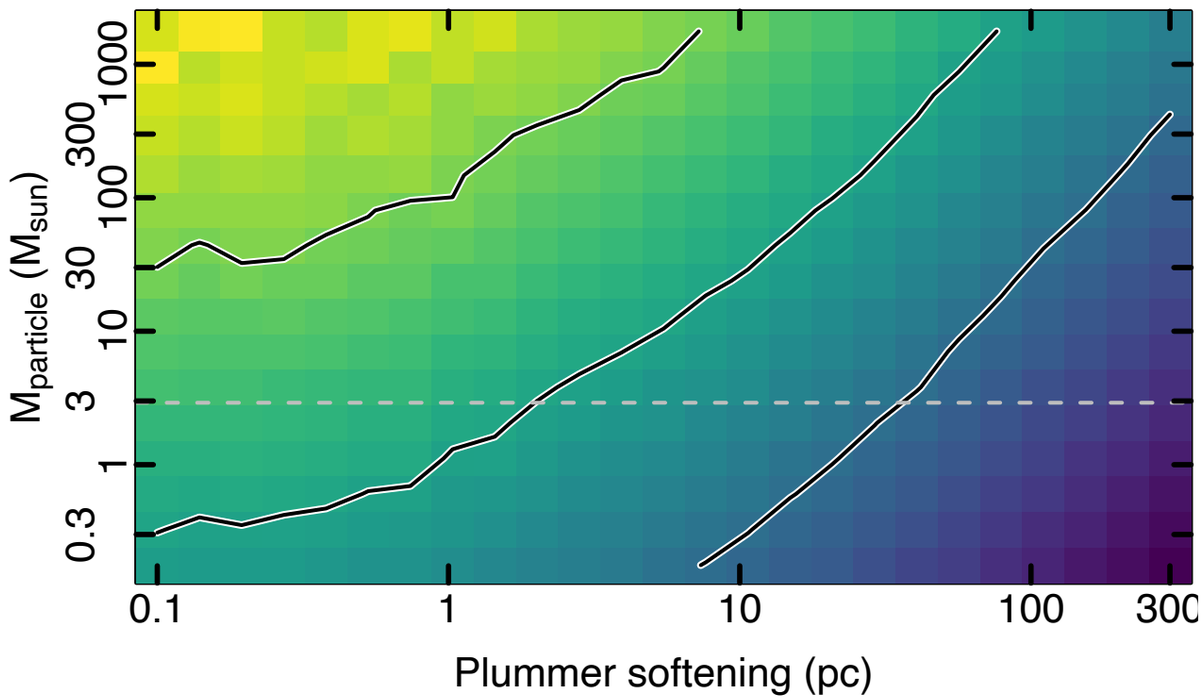
Dynamical friction

$$M_{\mathrm{particle}} = M_{\mathrm{sim}}/N_{\mathrm{realisations}}$$



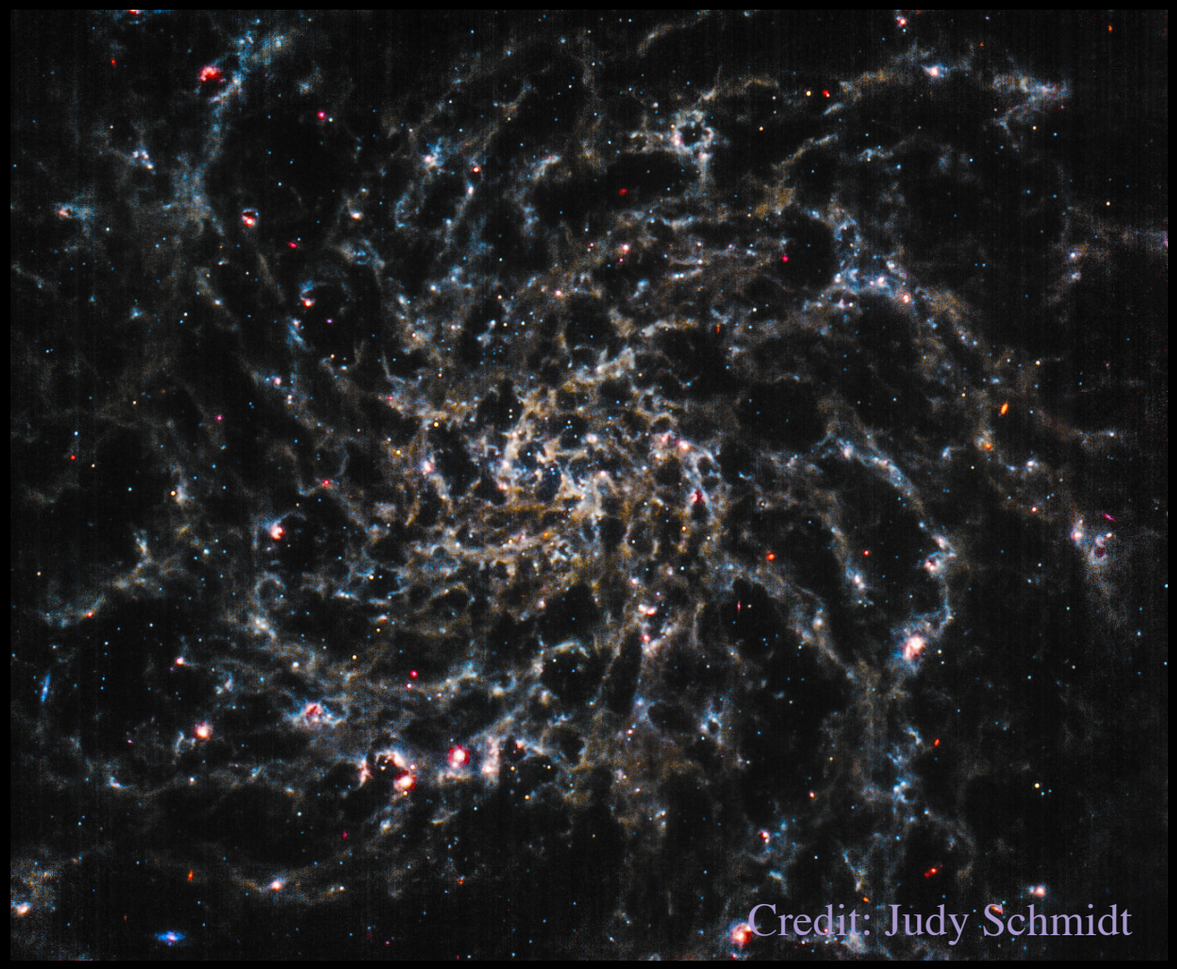






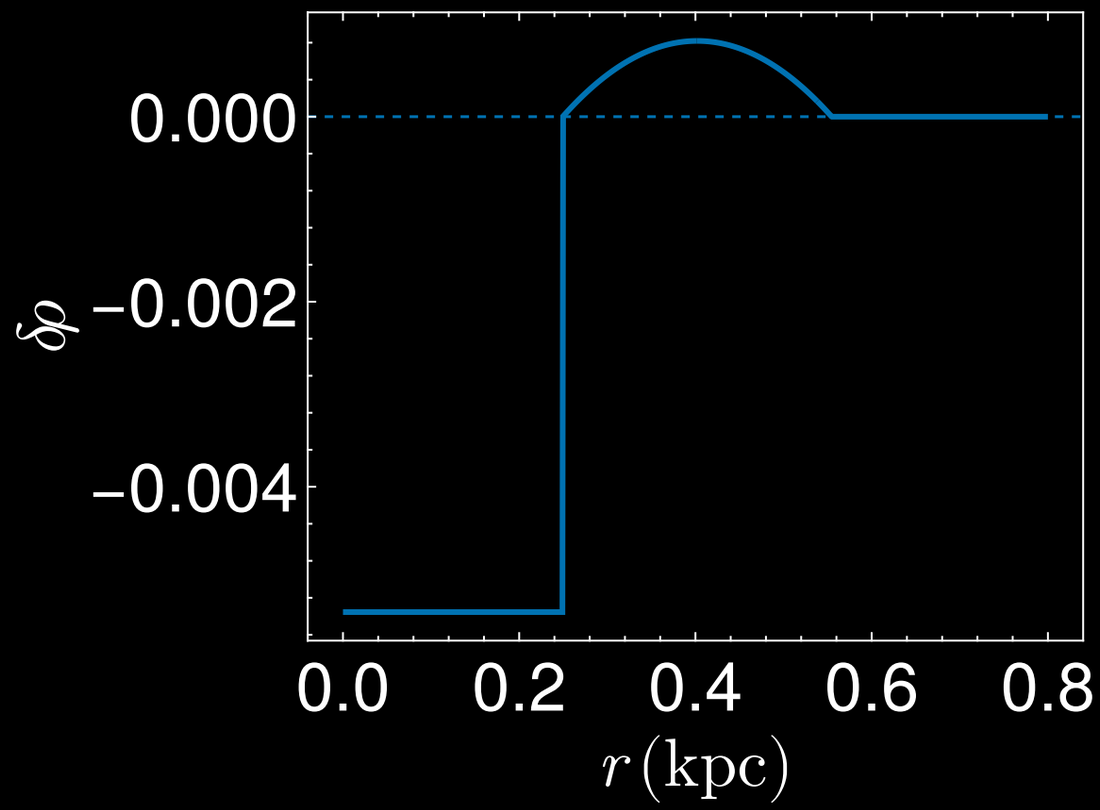
Superbubbles

Superbubbles are cavities caused by supernovae explosions that push out the gas from the vicinity of the open cluster where the SN originate.



Credit: Judy Schmidt

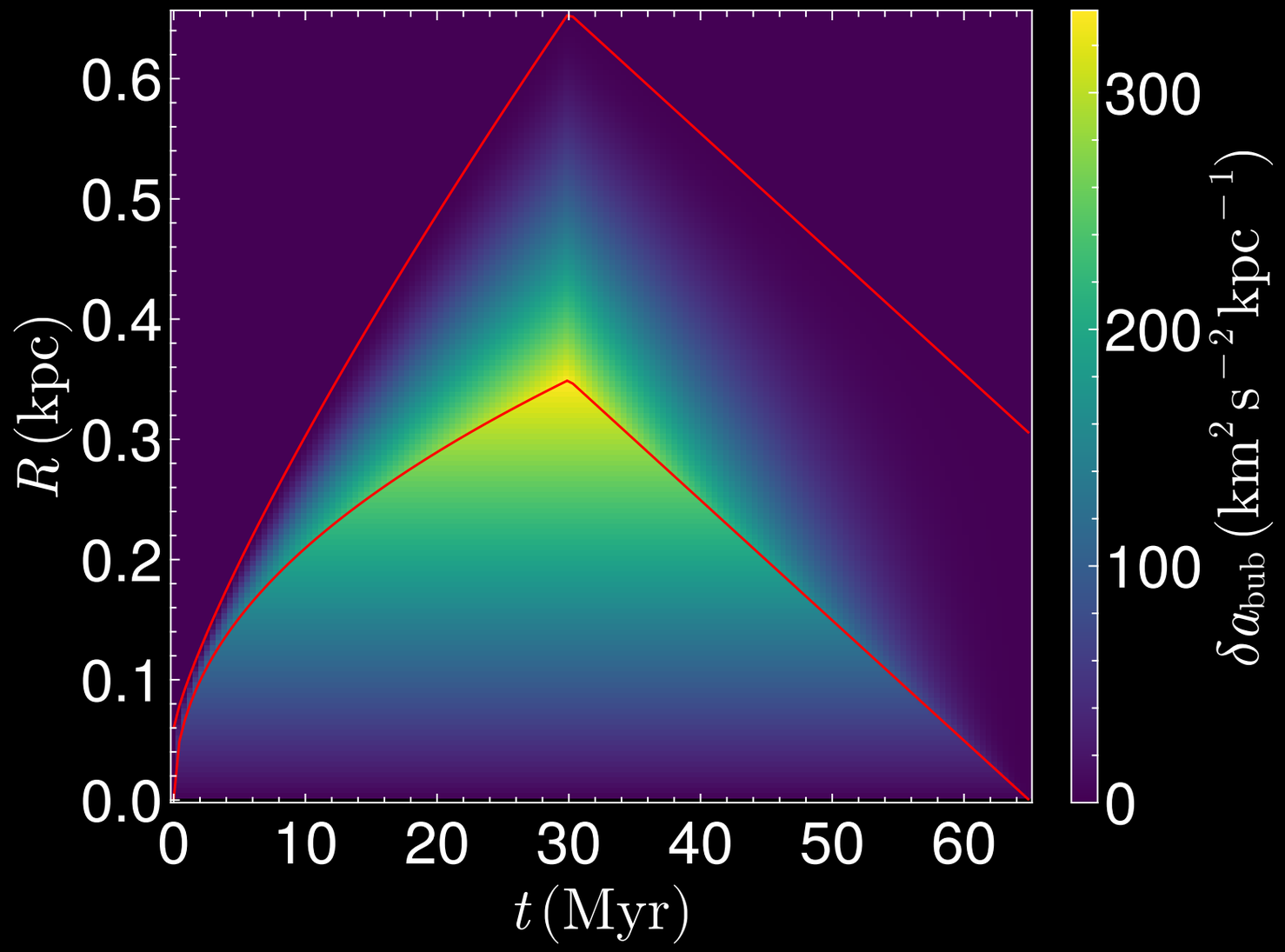
The density profile is inspired by Yadav et al. 2017 paper



Superbubbles

The unnatural aspects about superbubbles (SB):

- Acceleration of the SB has **no influence outside** of the SB
- SB changes relatively fast, comparable with $\sigma_\star$
- The acceleration correction is **directed outwards**

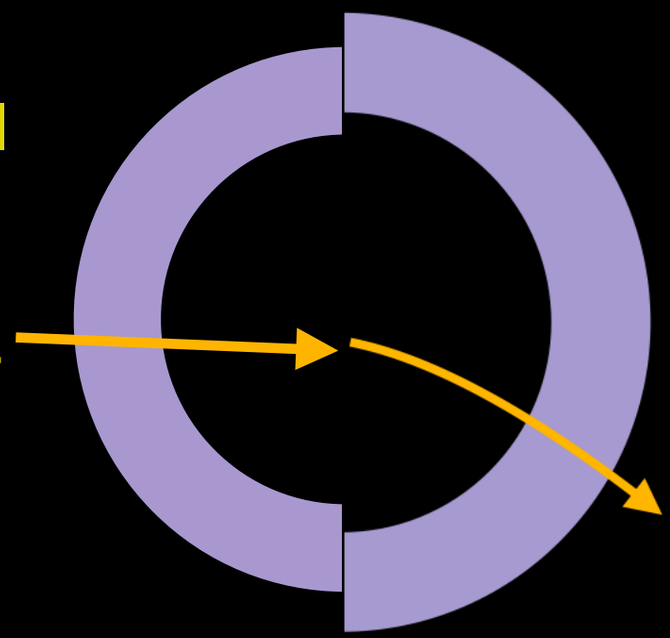


To apply the SB effects to the acceleration field we add it in the form of acceleration correction: $a = a_{\mathrm{host}} + \delta a_{\mathrm{bub}}$. The correction to acceleration originates from modelling simulation data:

$$\delta a_{\mathrm{bub}} = -\frac{G\delta M(r)}{r^2} = -\frac{G}{r^2}\int_0^r 4\pi R^2(\rho_{\mathrm{sim}}(R) - \rho_{\mathrm{env}}(R))\,\mathrm{d}R$$

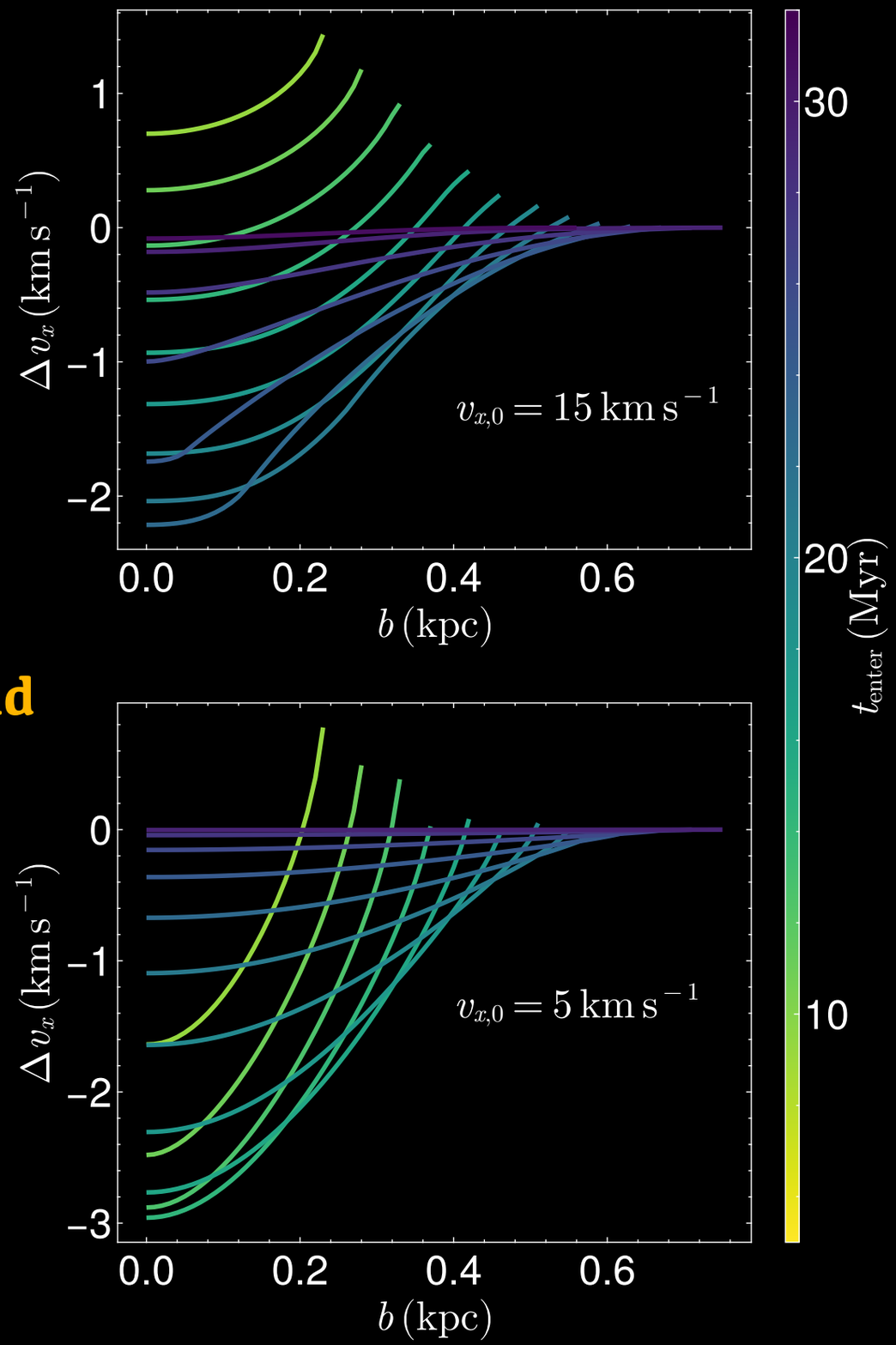
A star passing through a SB

- Star enters the SB
- It de-accelerates until reaches centre
- SB has expanded
- Star accelerates after crossing centre-line
- It accelerates until exiting SB



- **The SB size difference between entering and exiting determines net velocity gain**

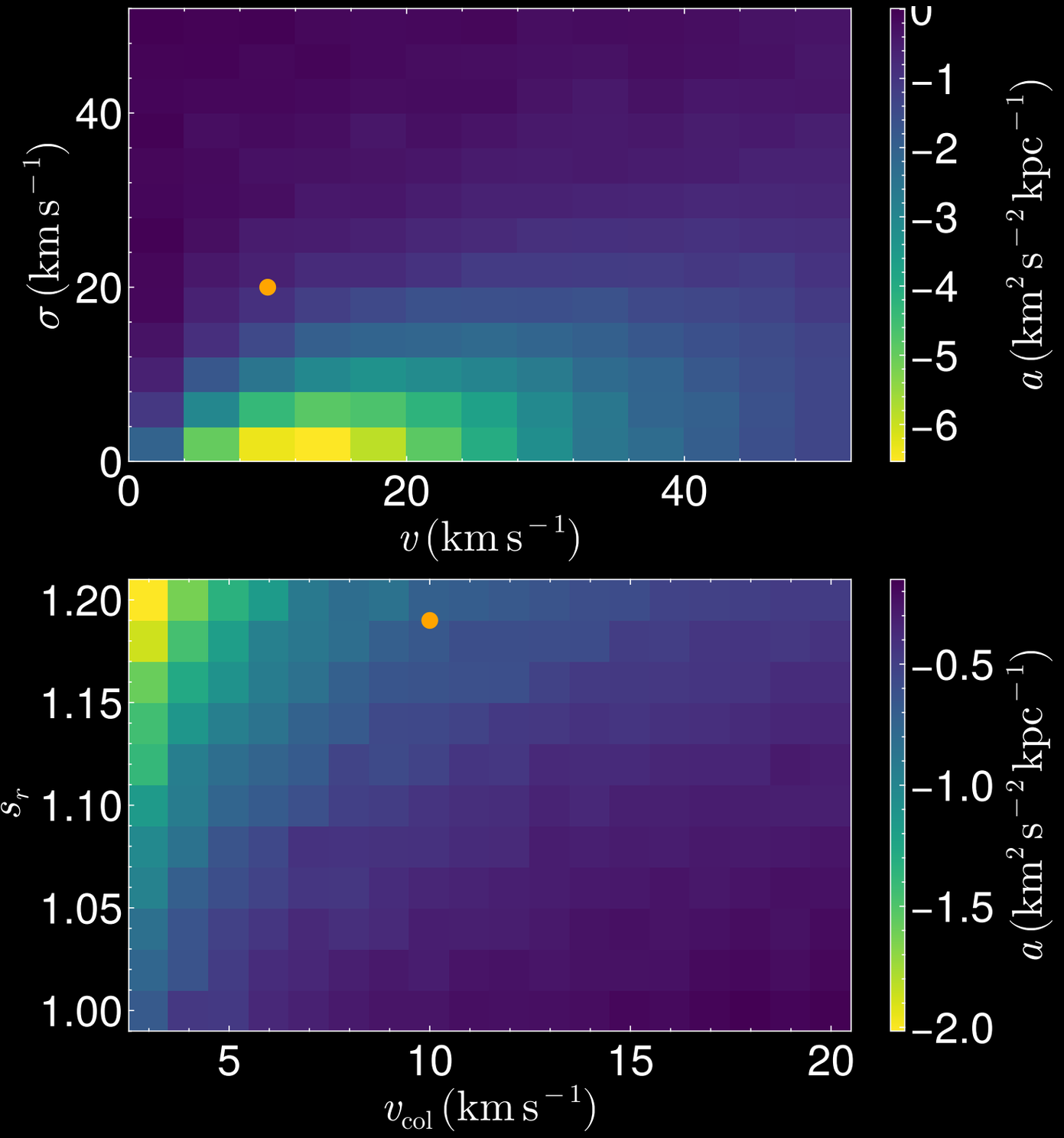
- Very slow stars get turned around before exiting the SB.
- Upon entering the collapsing phase, the star probably de-accelerates.
- Upon entering and exiting in the expanding phase, star probably accelerates.



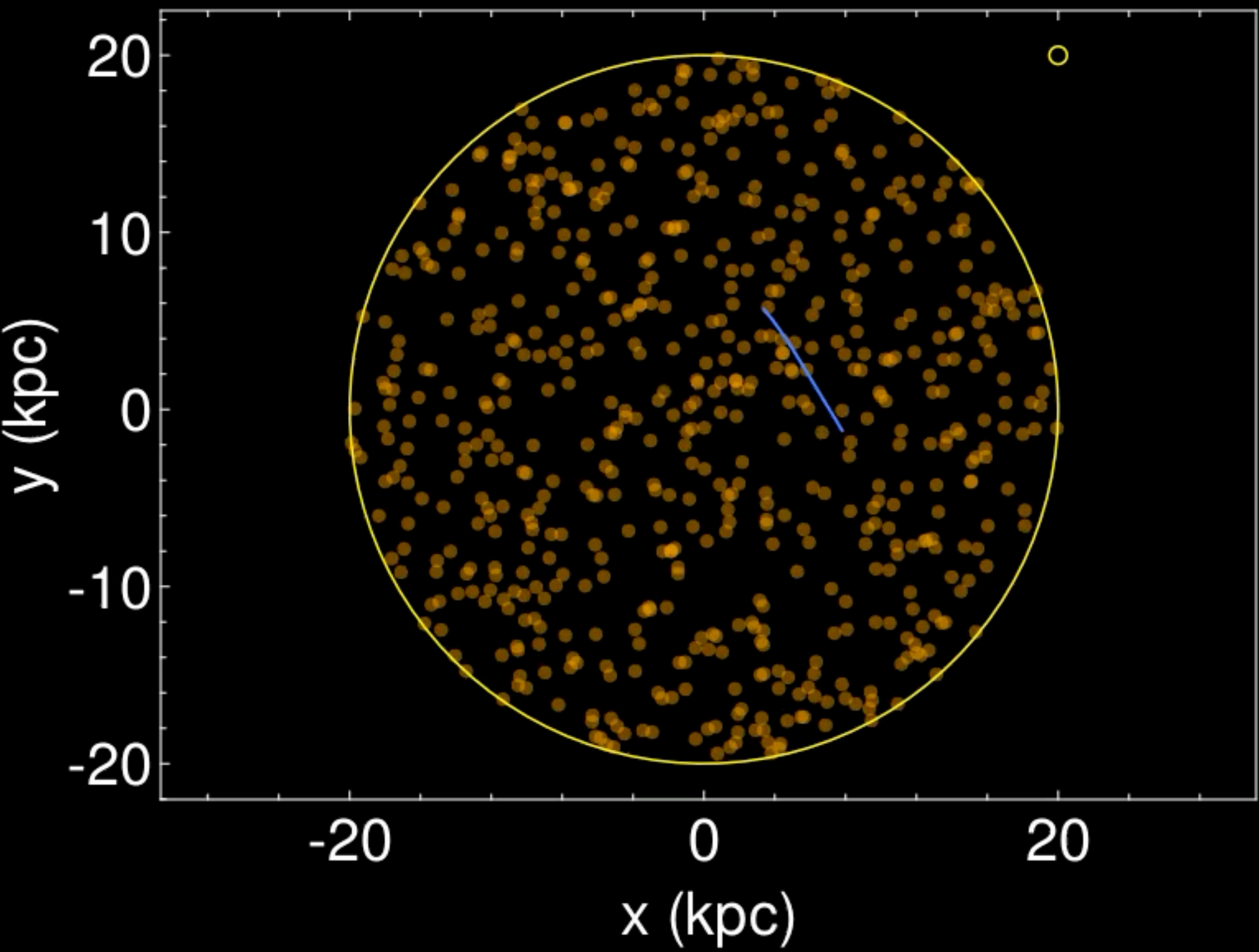
Superbubbles and gas disc

If the superbubbles appear and disappear continously, then there is a smooth transfer of angular momentum between stellar disc (or DM halo) and gas disc.

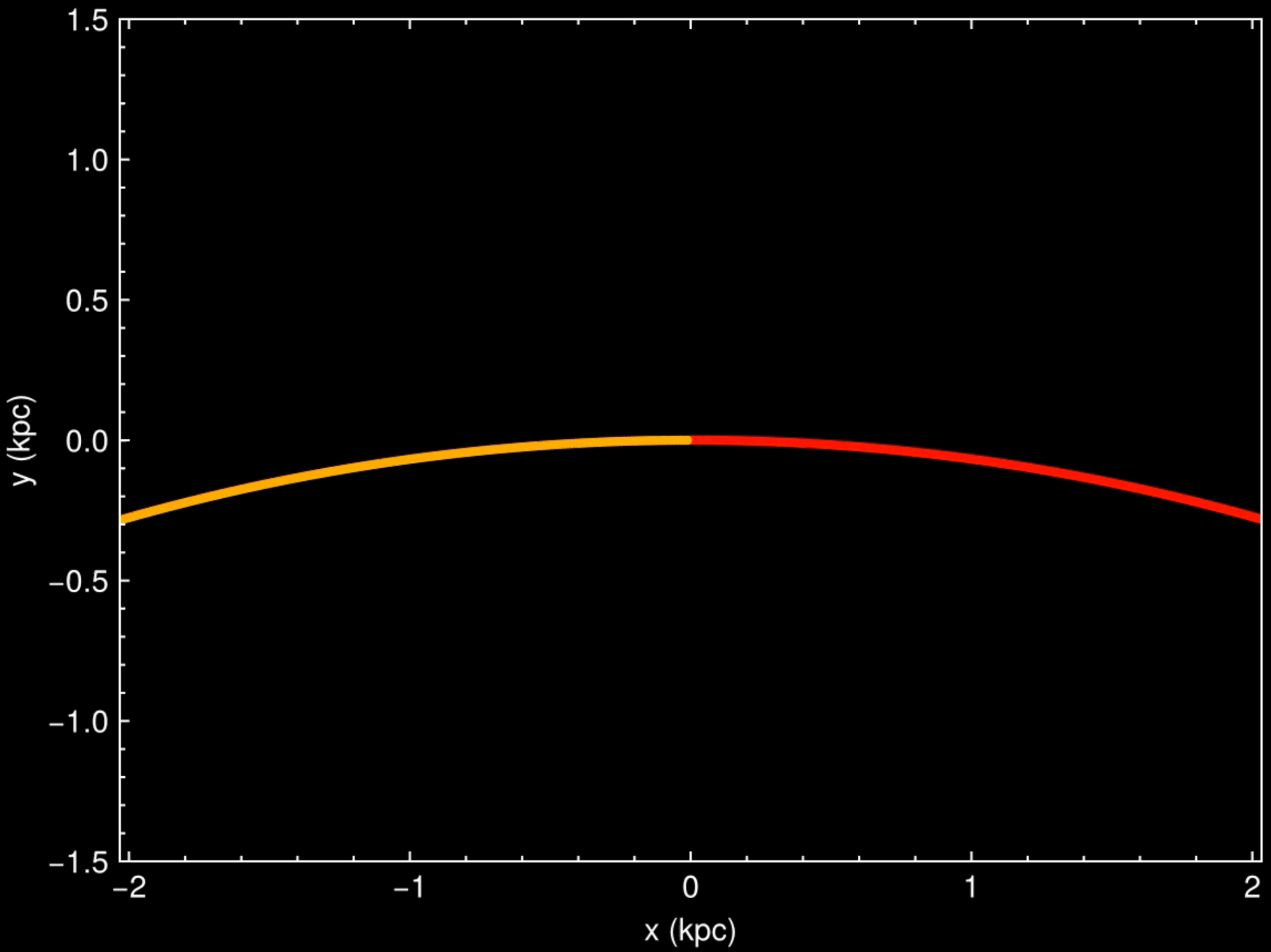
The precise amount depends on specifics on the galaxy, but friction on superbubbles may remove $\lesssim 40\,\%$ of the angular momentum throughout the age of galaxy. Turbulences are much more effective on driving gas disc evolution.



How would SB influence a stream?

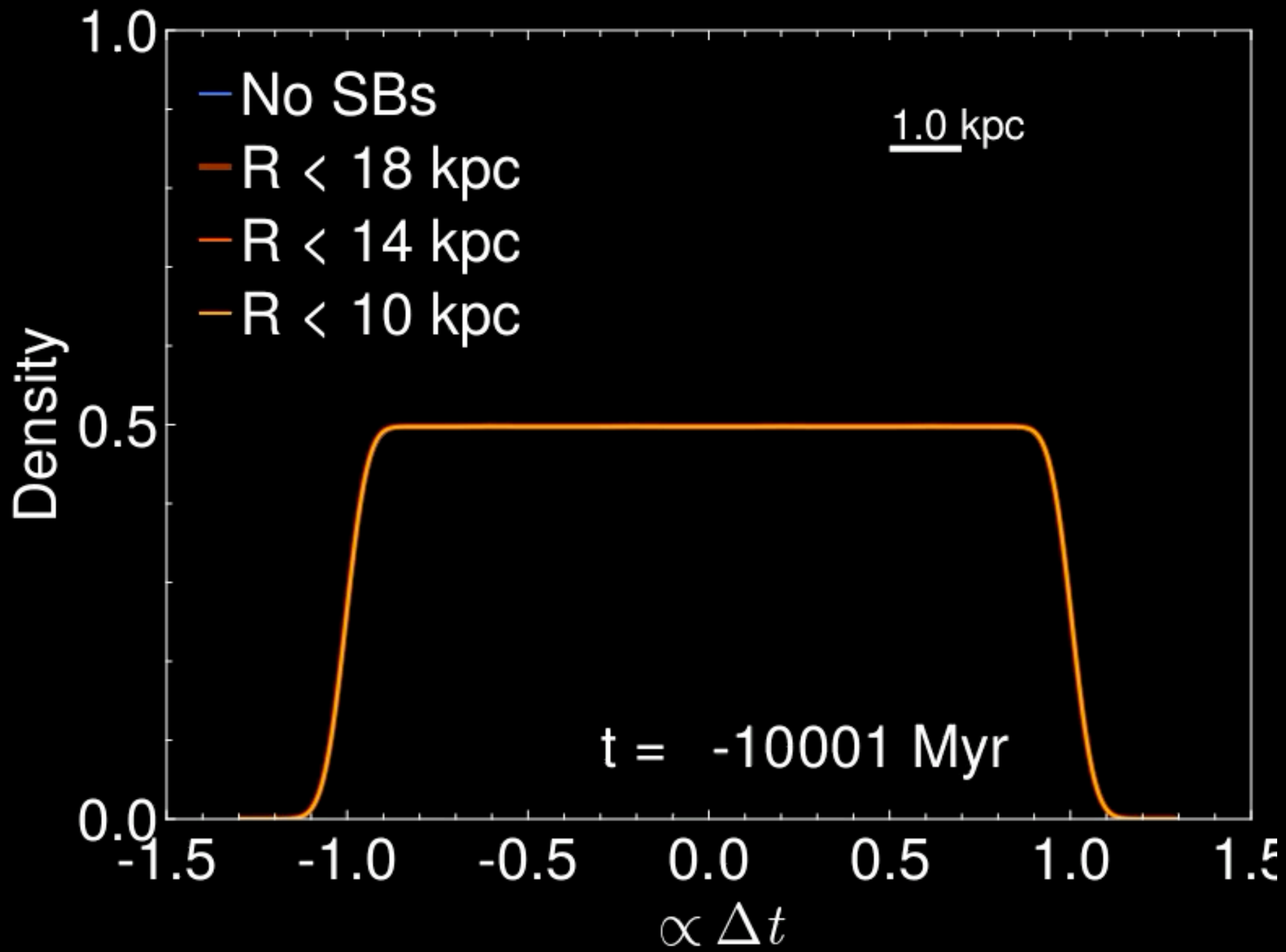


An encounter: stream and 1 SB

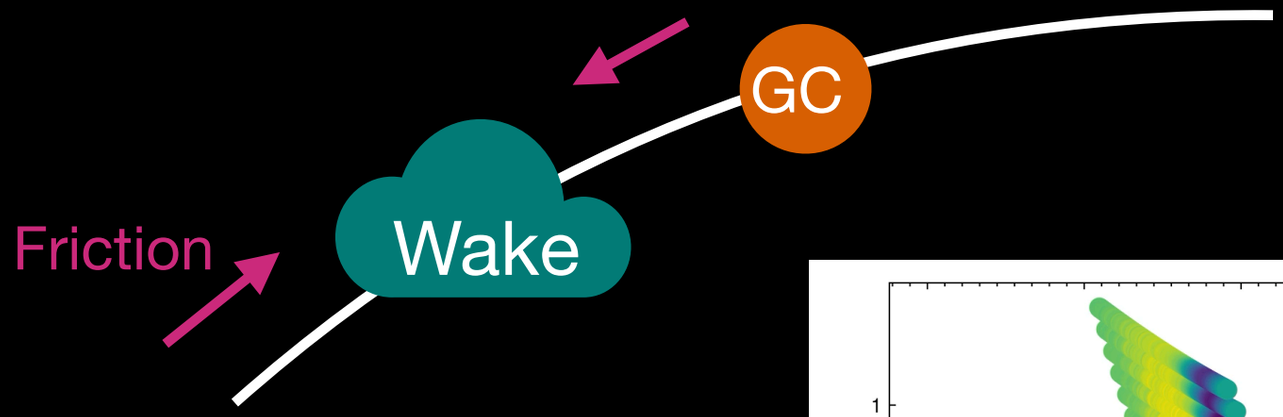


The net effect of the superbubbles

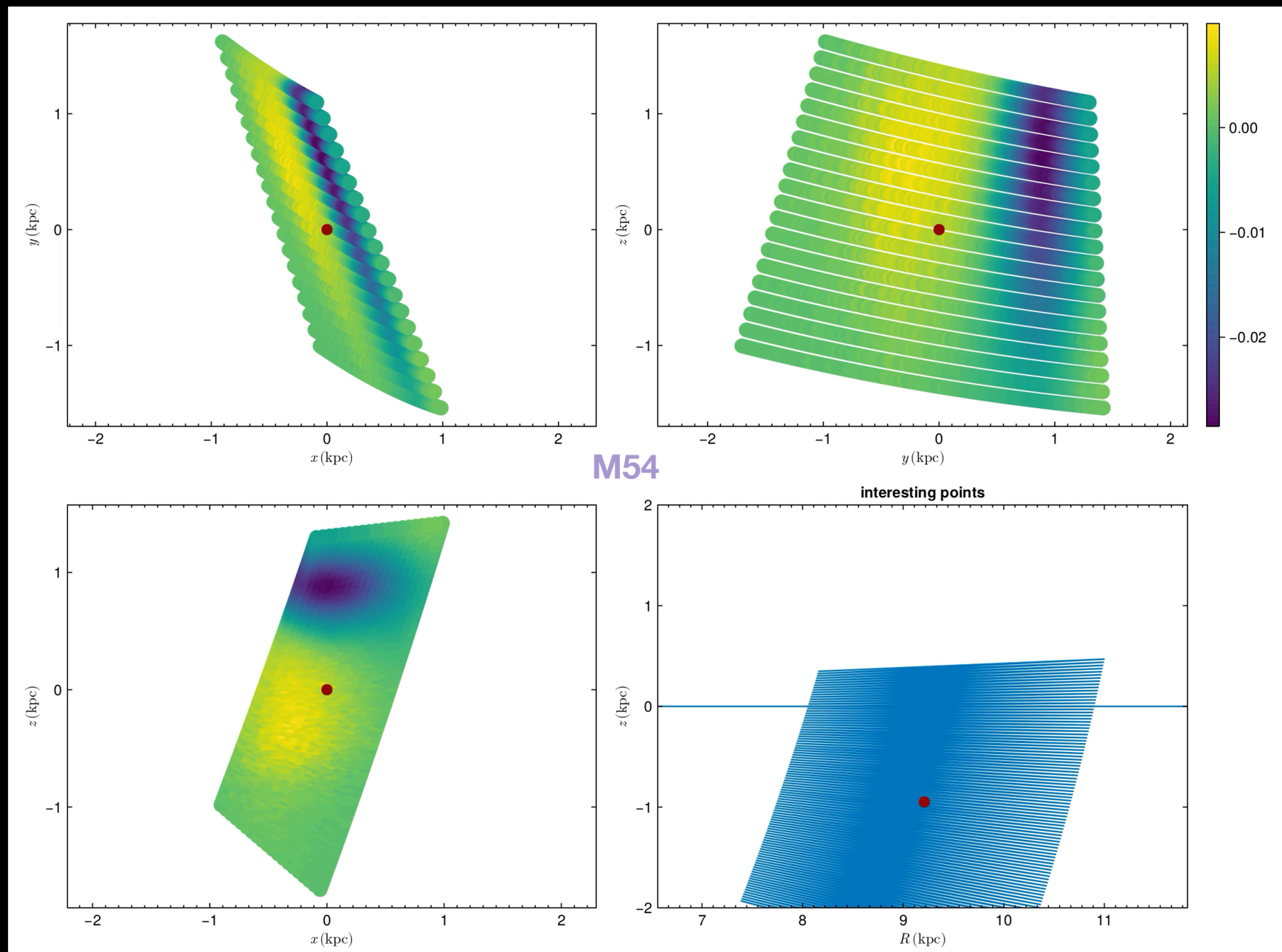
The cumulative effect of the superbubbles on the stream.



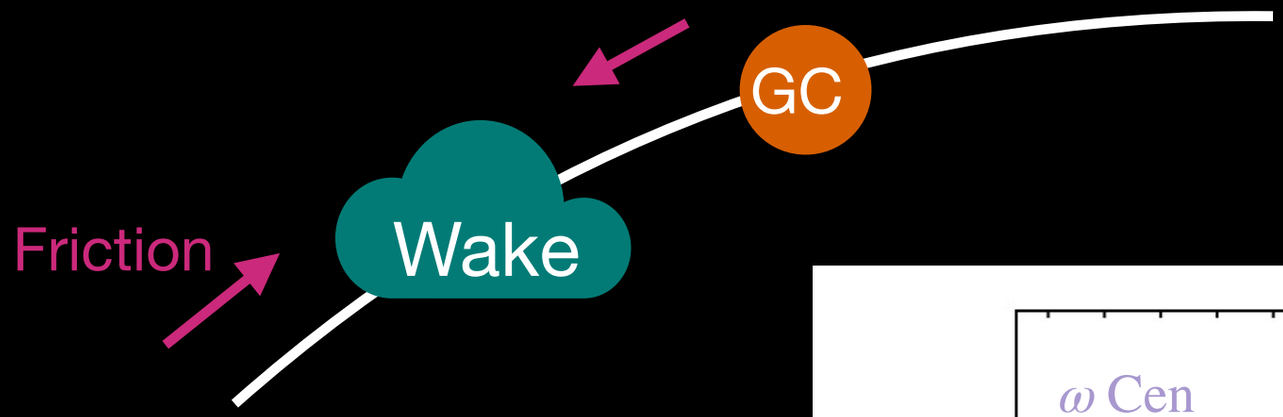
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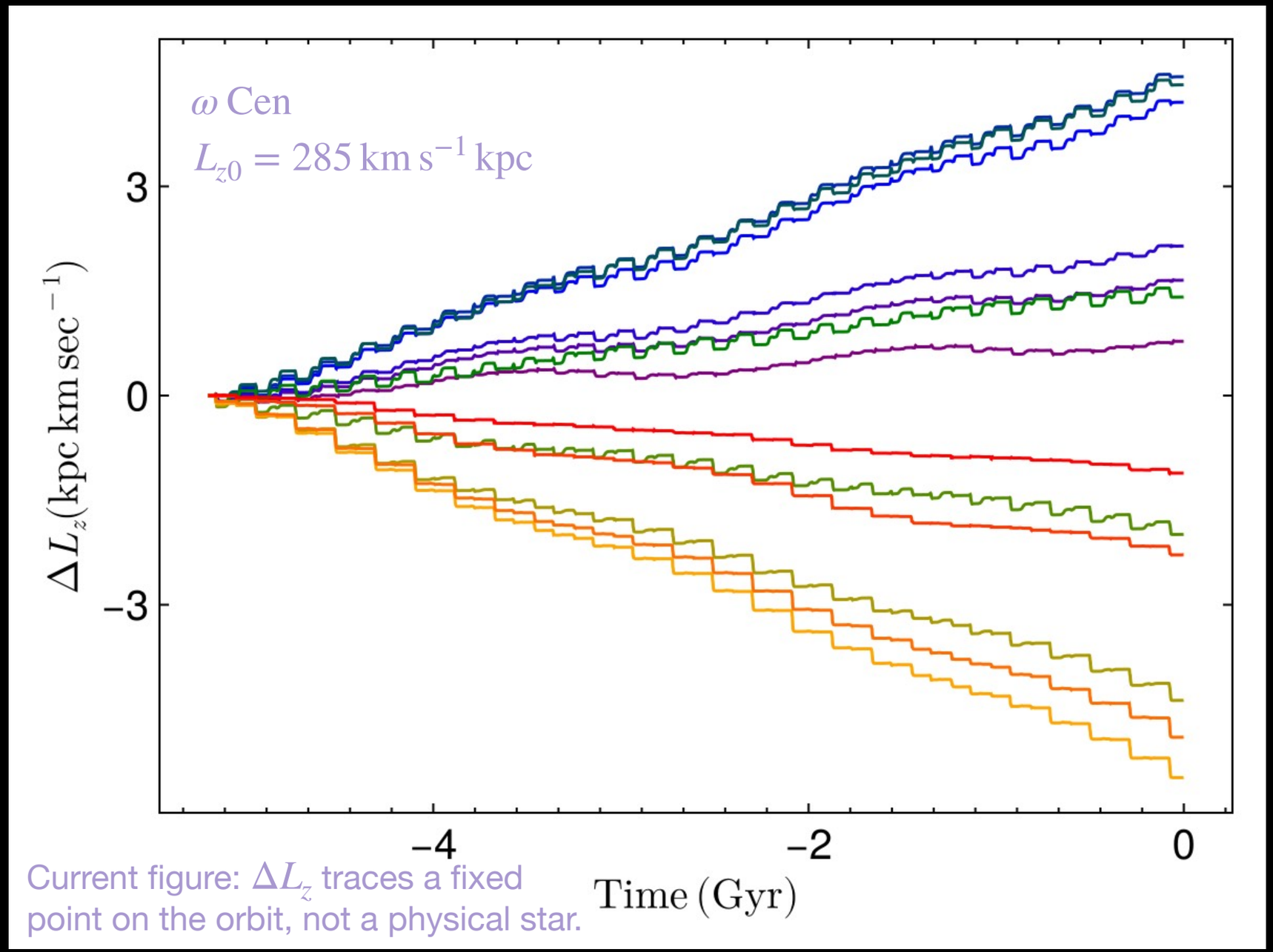


The wake that is caused by the DM does not influence the stream significantly, but passing stellar disc does it more.



Stellar streams - friction





Current figure: ΔL_z traces a fixed point on the orbit, not a physical star.

Conclusions

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- The tidal effects of dynamical friction may be calculated by integrating orbits back and forth.

- The friction from black holes is highly sensitive to noise and sampling, and even the physical density of Solar Neighbourhood leaves some scattering in the acceleration.

- The friction can somewhat change the outlook of the stream, where the wake is staying on.

- Superbubbles can create gaps and ridges in the stellar streams

- Superbubbles can cause minimal, but still existent secular evoution of the gas disc.

