

A vast field of galaxies, each appearing as a small, colorful object against a dark background. The galaxies are scattered across the frame, showing a variety of colors including blue, orange, yellow, and white. Some galaxies are clearly defined with spiral or elliptical shapes, while others are more diffuse or point-like. The overall appearance is that of a rich, multi-colored galaxy population.

Other Galaxies!

Galaxies

- A galaxy is a gravitationally bound collection of stars, gas and dust
 - e.g. our Galaxy contains of order 10^{11} stars
- Usually isolated in space, although can interact with near neighbours
- The main visible component of the Universe

Galaxy Types

- Galaxies are seen in three major types
 - Spirals
 - Ellipticals
 - Irregulars

Spiral Galaxies

- Rotating *disc* dominated by spiral arms
- Spiral Arms are
 - rich in young, hot, blue stars, i.e. Population I
 - rich in gas and dust
 - where formation of new stars takes place



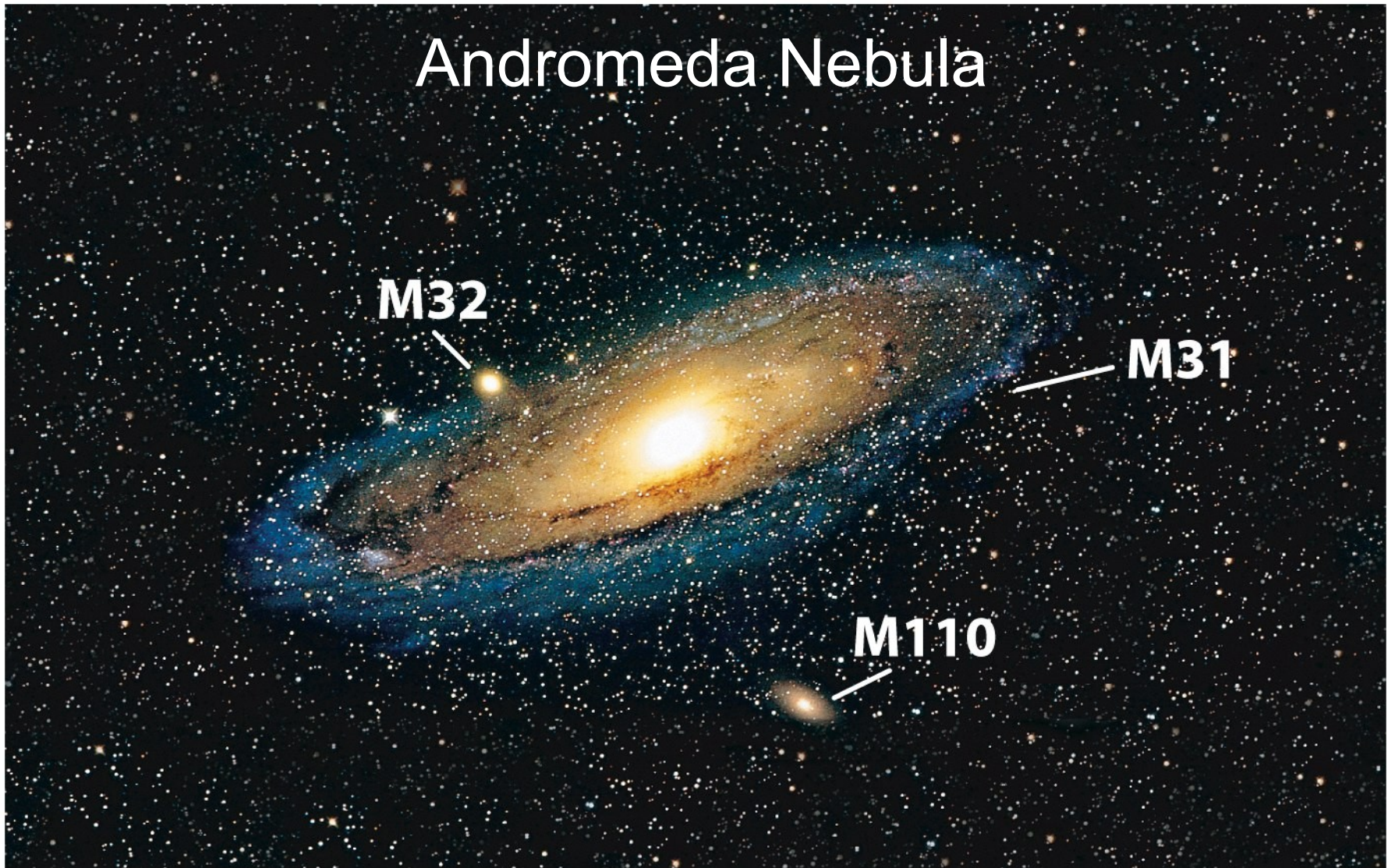
Credit: Gemini Observatory, GMOS Team

- Also come in *barred* form where the two arms originate from the ends of a central linear feature of bulge-like stars



Credit: NASA, ESA, and The Hubble Heritage Team (STScI/AURA)

Andromeda Nebula



Elliptical Galaxies

- Elliptical collections of red stars – Population II and old Population I
- Smooth variation in intensity
- Very little gas & dust
- Little organized rotation
- Come in both giant and dwarf forms





Leo I
Dwarf
Elliptical

Irregular Galaxies

- No regular structure
- Contain plenty of gas and dust and blue stars
- Mixture of Population I and II
- Usually relatively small



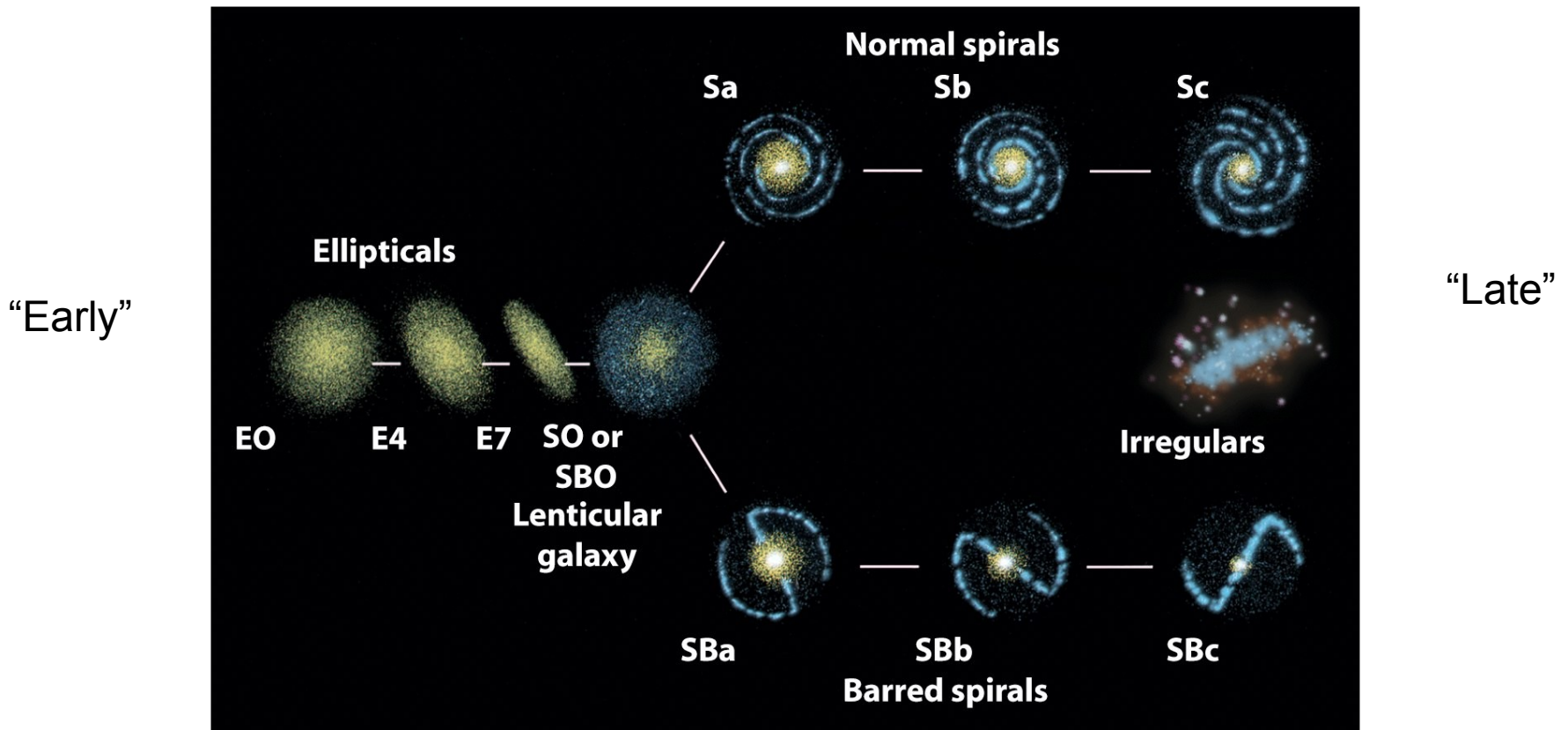
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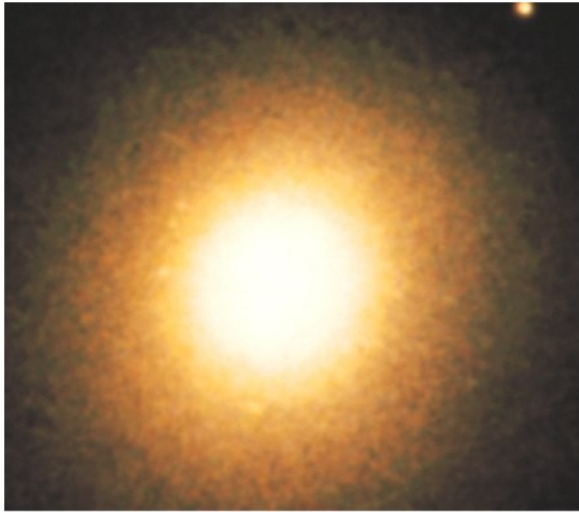
Irregular galaxy NGC 4214. Credit NASA HST

Galaxy Morphological Classification

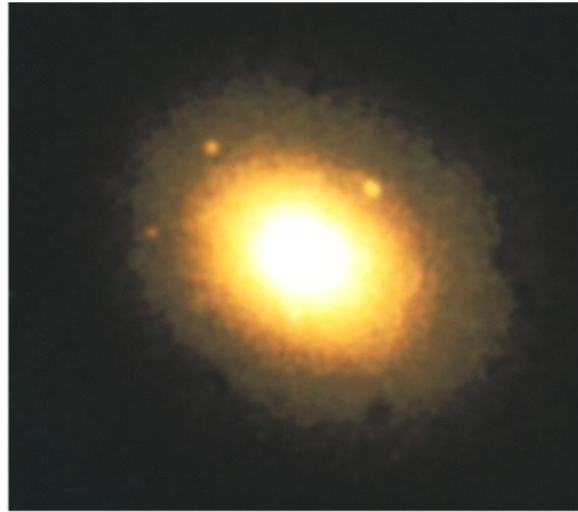
- Galaxies are classified according to Hubble's tuning fork diagram (Hubble sequence)



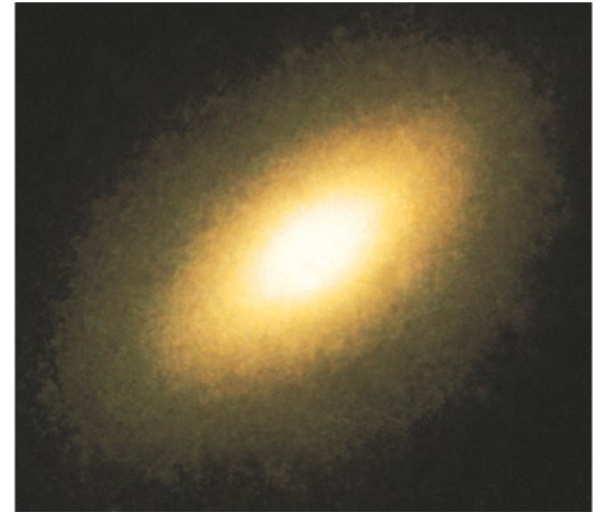
Elliptical galaxies



(a) E0 (M105)



(b) E3 (NGC 4365)



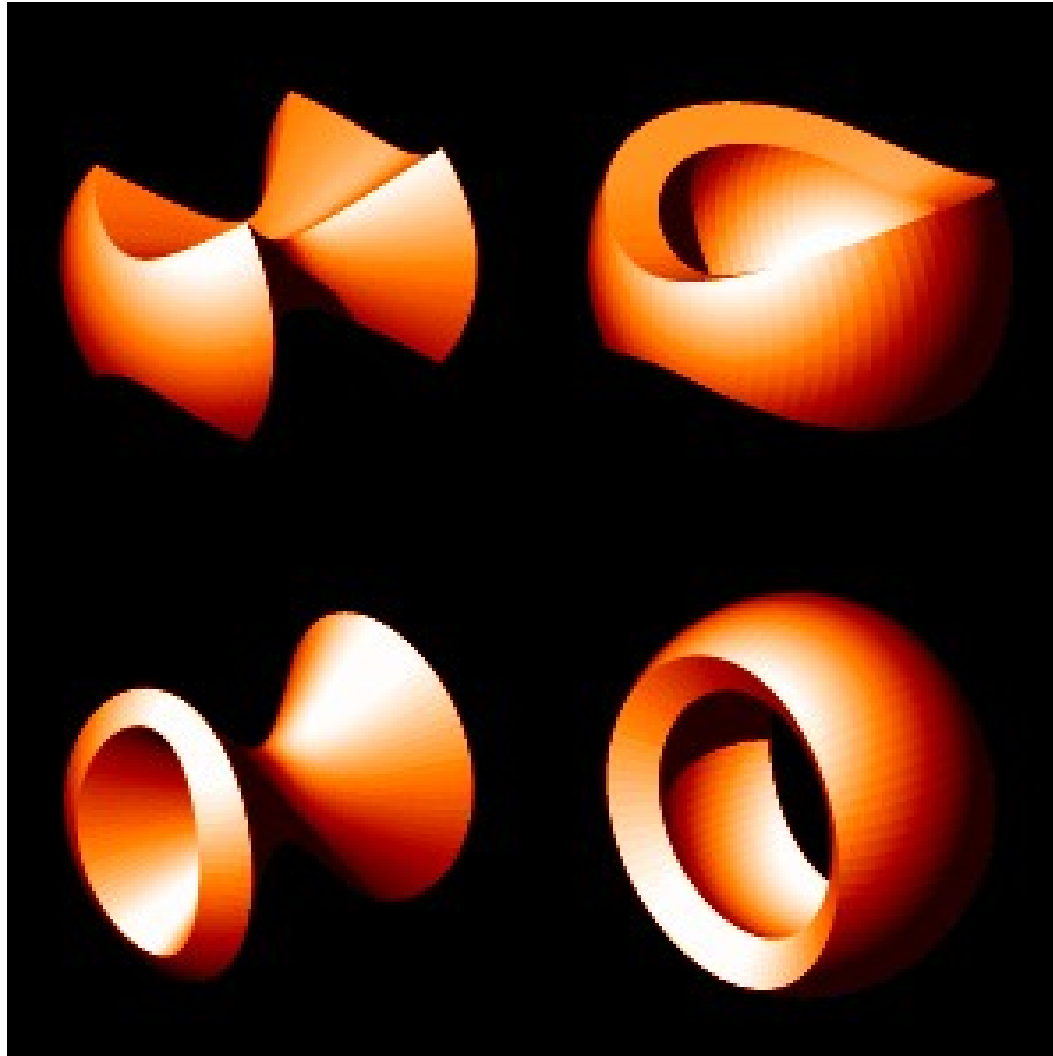
(c) E6 (NGC 3377)

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Ellipticity $e=1-b/a$, a =semi-major axis, b =semi-minor axis
 $e=0.7$ denoted by E7

- Ellipticals are not oblate, rotationally flattened objects
- Slowly rotating bodies, with shape maintained by structure of orbits of individual stars, (anisotropic velocity dispersion)
- Visible part \sim all stars, visible to dark ratio $\sim 5-10$
- Contain hot, x-ray emitting gas
- Surface brightness empirically $\sim \exp(-kR)^{1/4}$
(deVaucouleurs law)

Stellar orbits in elliptical galaxies



Masses of elliptical galaxies

- The Virial theorem
 - Gravitationally bound - in dynamic equilibrium under gravity
 - Gravitational PE of system Ω related to KE U
 - $U = 1/2 |\Omega|$
 - Assuming velocity dispersion isotropic
 - Total KE $= (1/2) \sum_i m_i v_i^2 = 3/2 M_{\text{total}} \langle v_{\text{radial}}^2 \rangle$
 - $|\Omega| = GM_{\text{total}}^2 / R_{\text{cluster}}$
 - So $M = 3 \langle v_{\text{radial}}^2 \rangle R_{\text{cluster}} / G$
 - **Total** mass, visible plus dark matter

Spectrum of Elliptical galaxy

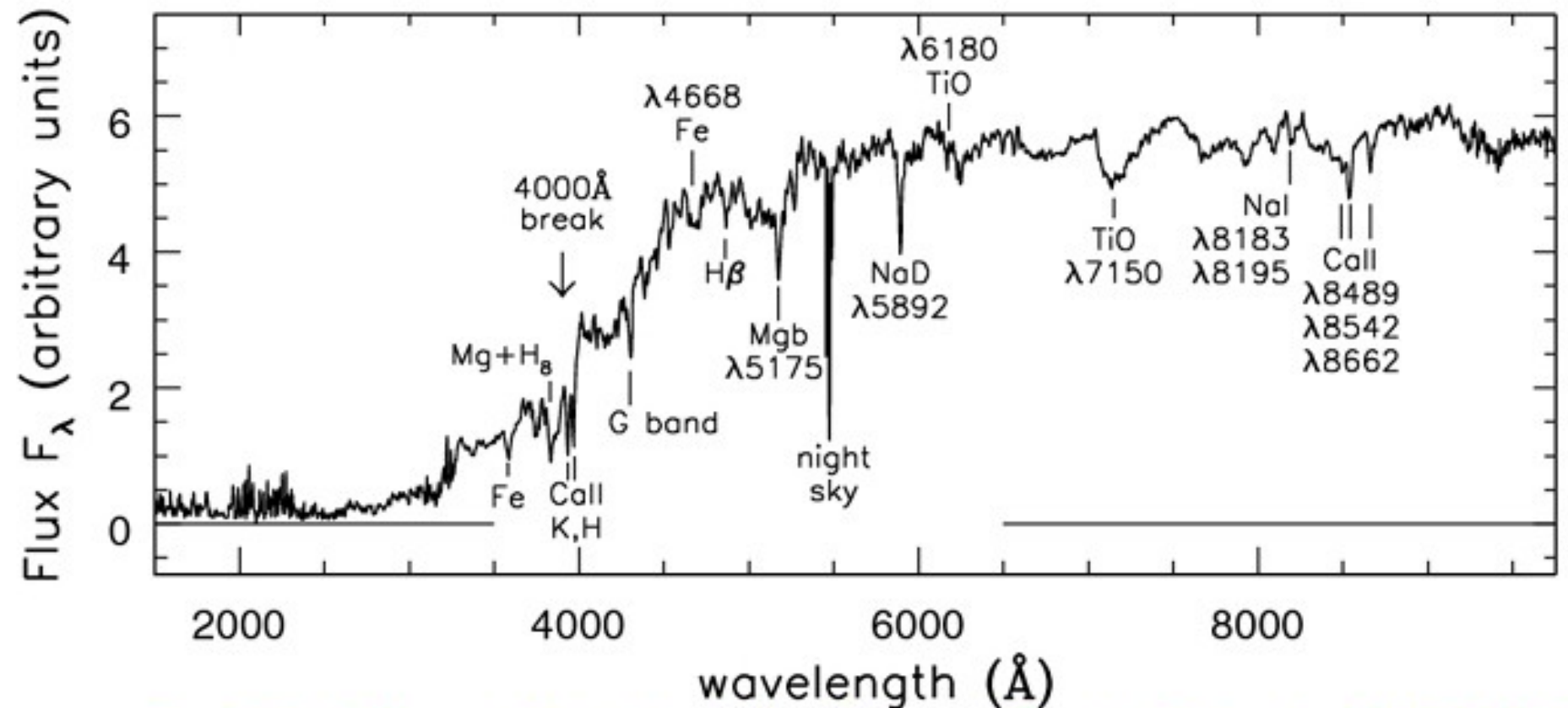
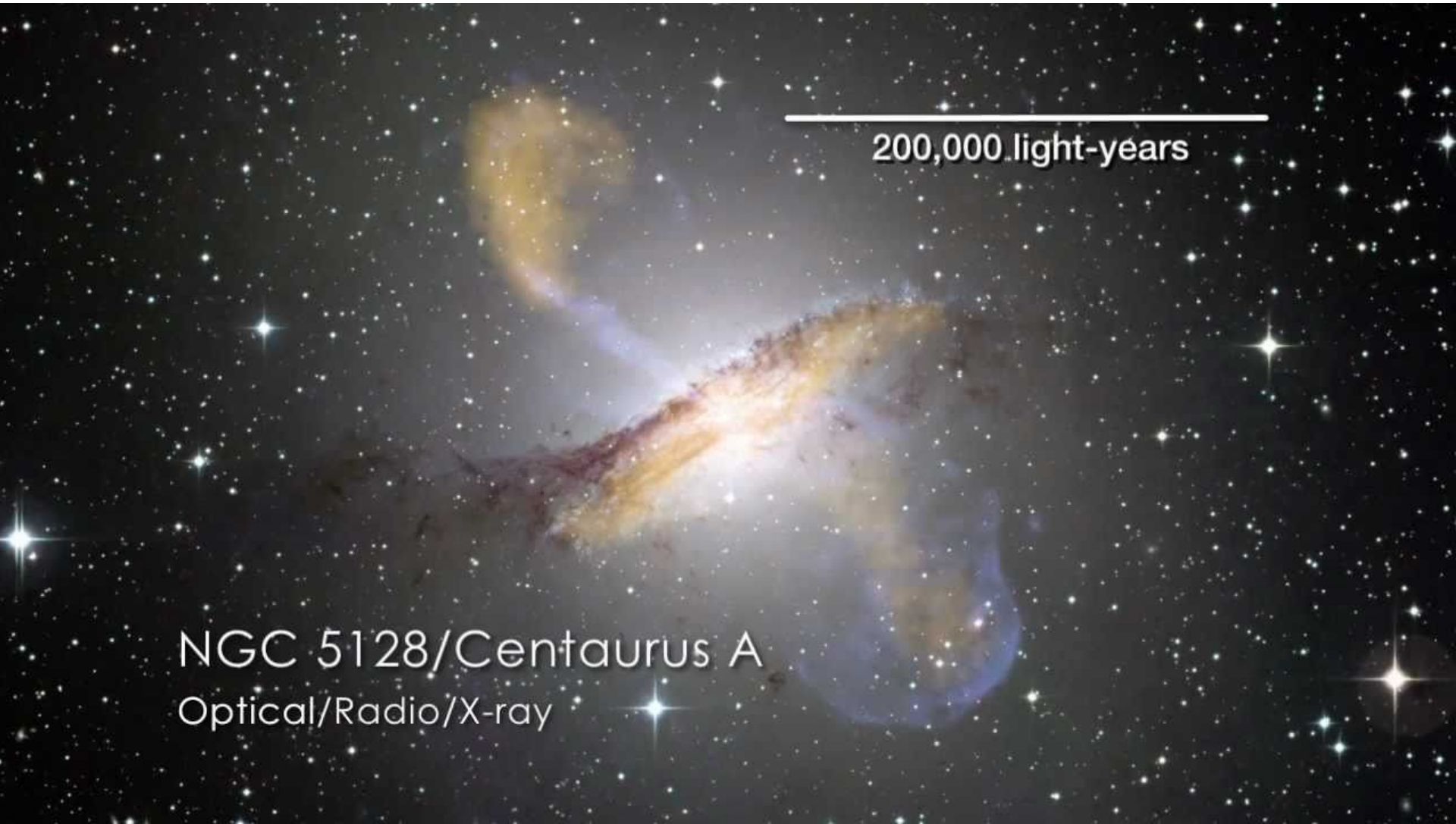


Fig 6.17 (A. Kinney) 'Galaxies in the Universe' Sparke/Gallagher CUP 2007

Elliptical galaxies can be complicated!



200,000 light-years

NGC 5128/Centaurus A
Optical/Radio/X-ray

Spiral galaxies

Sombrero Galaxy M104 Sa



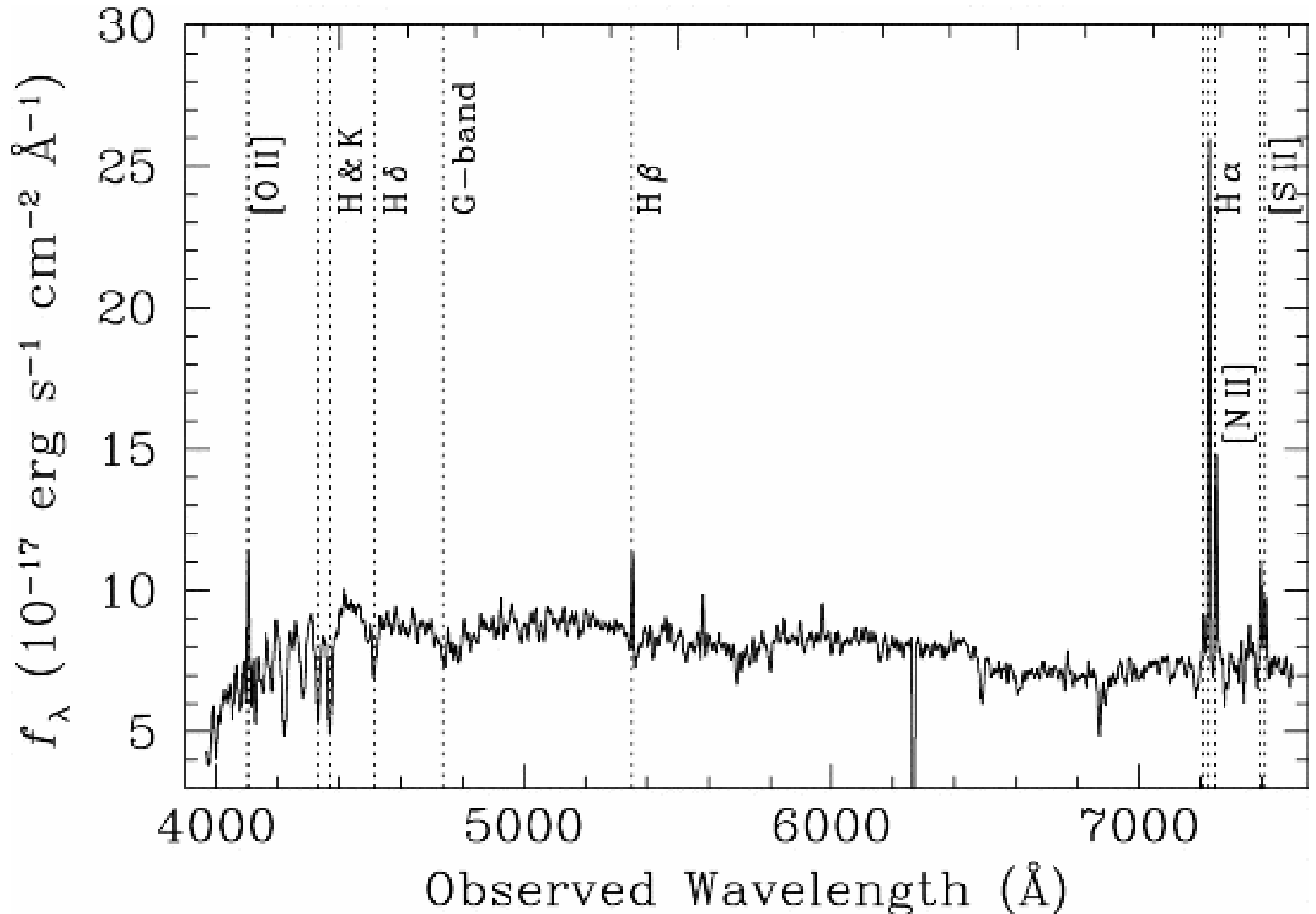
M81 Sb



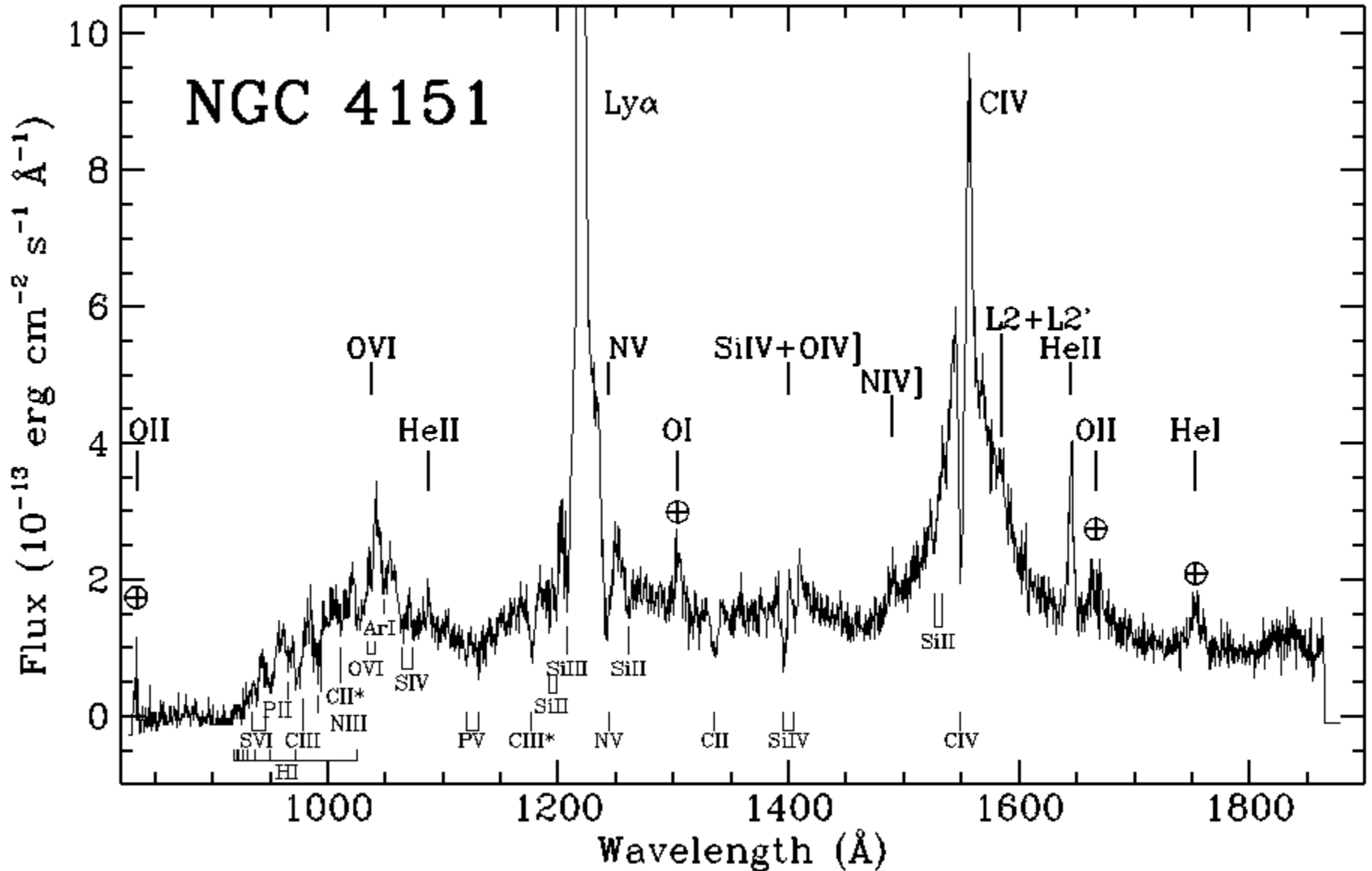
M100 NGC 4321 Sc



Spectrum of a spiral galaxy



Spectrum of an active galaxy



NGC 4650 SBa

Barred
Spiral
Galaxies

30''

The image shows a barred spiral galaxy, NGC 4650, centered in the field. The galaxy has a bright, diffuse central bar and several distinct spiral arms. The background is filled with numerous stars of various colors, including white, yellow, and red. Two prominent bright stars with diffraction spikes are visible, one near the top center and one near the bottom center. A white scale bar in the bottom right corner indicates a length of 30 arcseconds.



M58
SBb
Intermediate
barred spiral

NGC 1365 SBc





Lenticular galaxy M102: Credit: AURA/NOAO/NSF

Light distribution

- Light distribution in spiral and lenticular galaxies
 - Bulge - de Vaucouleurs $r^{1/4}$ law
 - Disk – exponential $I(r)=I_0 \exp(-r/h)$, where h is the disk scale length (~ 3 kpc for our galaxy) and I_0 is the central surface brightness
 - These two can be combined to give disk or bulge dominated profiles

Irregular galaxies

NGC 4650a

Evidence of a galaxy merger





Interacting
galaxies NGC
4038 and
NGC 4039

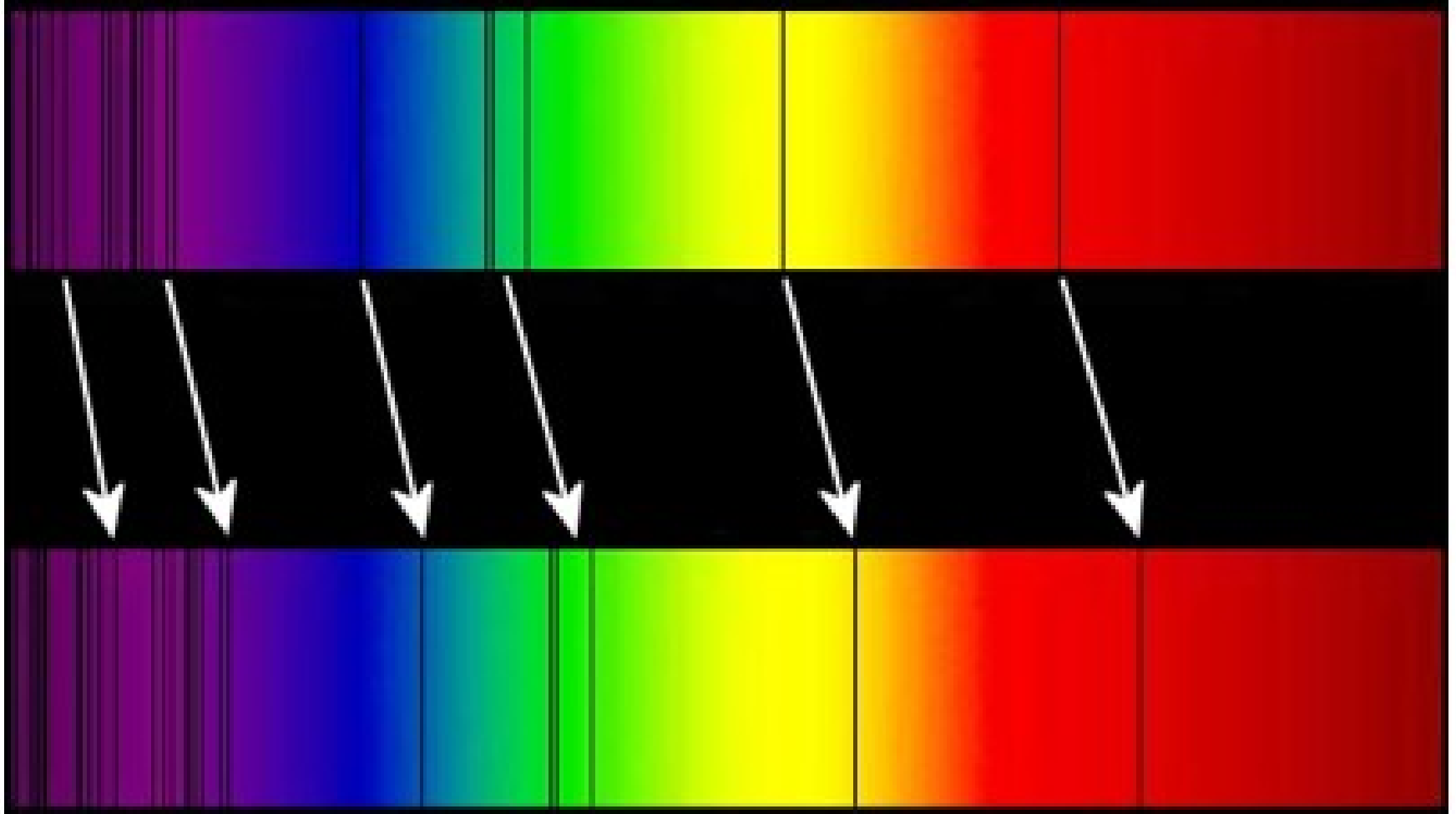


Shell galaxies
NGC 474

Shell galaxies can even contain colliding neutron stars!
NGC 4493



How we measure velocities



Redshift

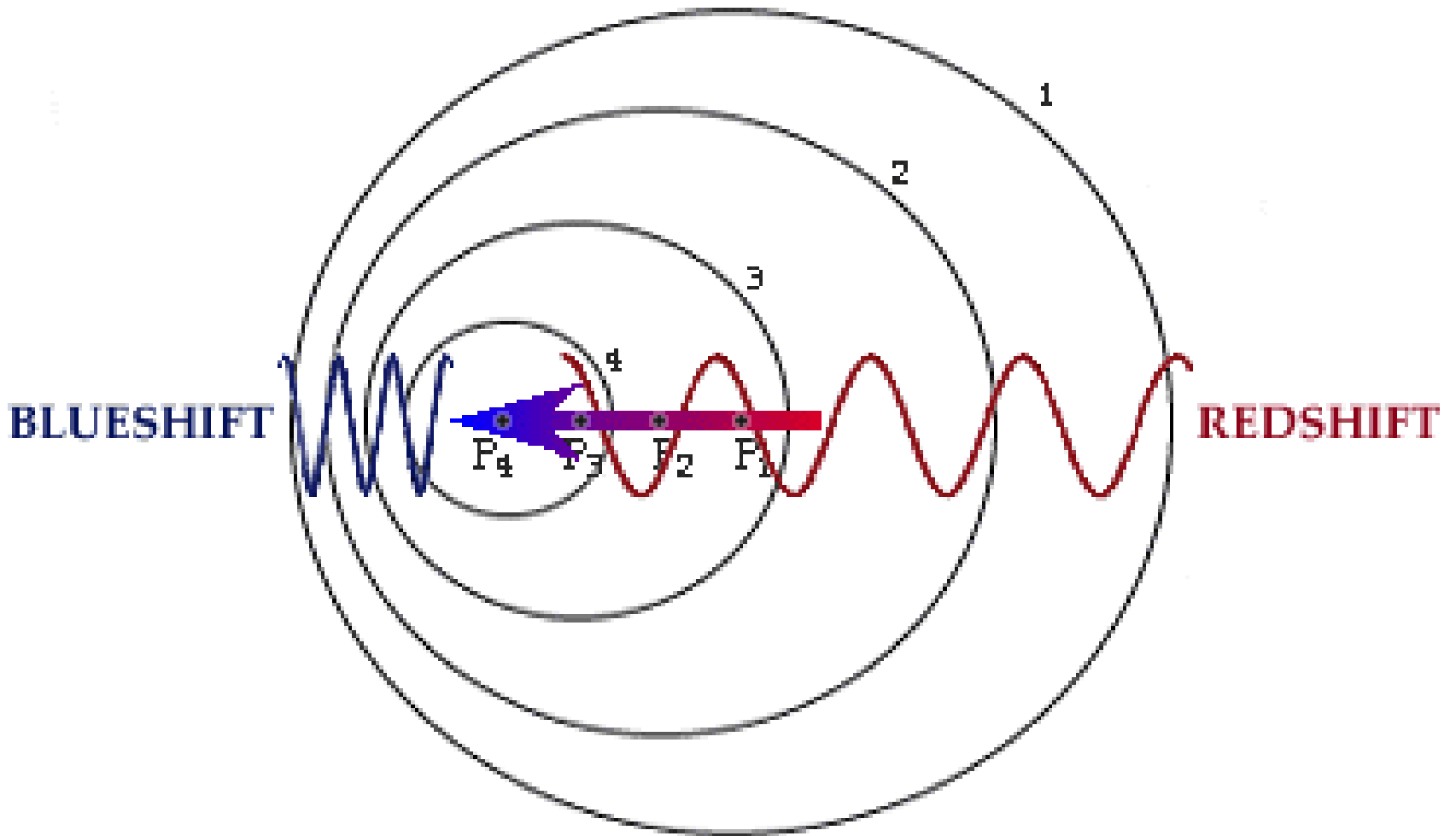
- Doppler shift due to relative motion of source or observer

- $$z = \frac{\lambda_{observed} - \lambda_{emitted}}{\lambda_{emitted}}$$

- $$1 + z = \frac{\lambda_{observed}}{\lambda_{emitted}} = \frac{f_{emitted}}{f_{observed}}$$

For small redshifts $V(\text{recession}) = cz$

Doppler shift



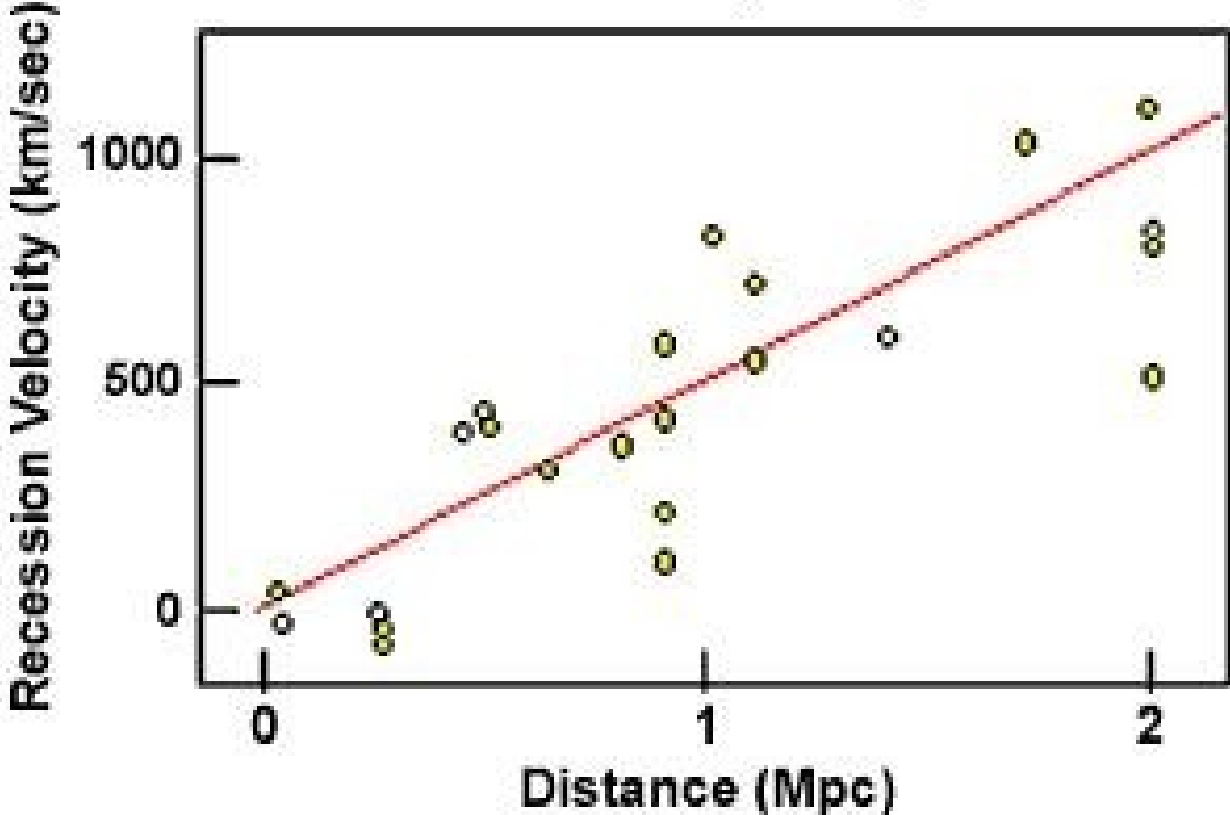
Distances - Recession of galaxies

Hubble's Law



$$V = H_0 d$$

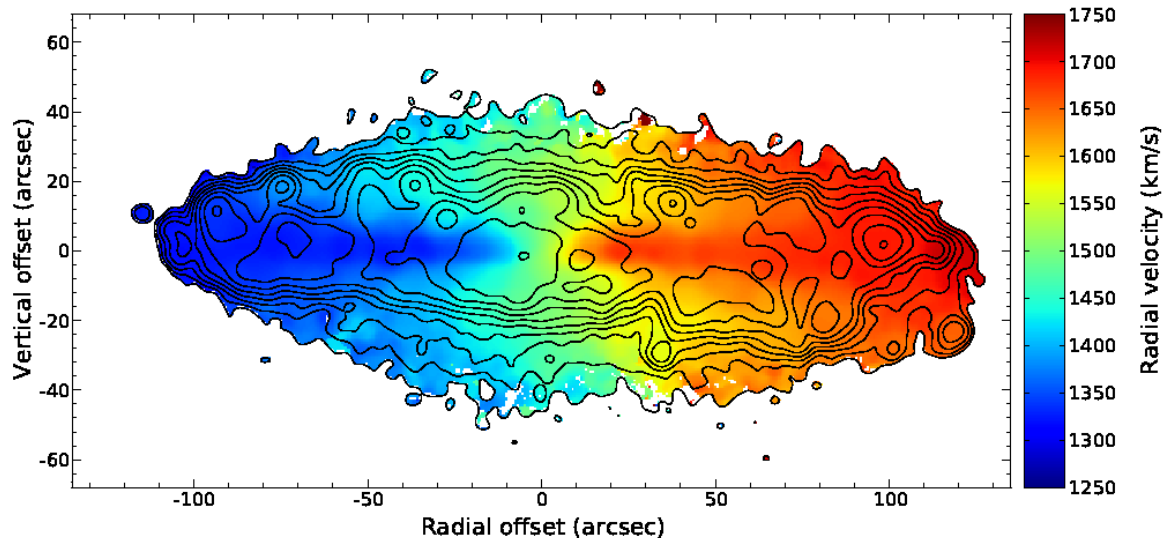
Hubble's Data (1929)



Evidence for dark matter

- The rotation curves of spiral galaxies suggest an invisible dark halo
- Velocities within galaxy clusters suggest a lot more mass than we can see is needed to bind the galaxies together
- Velocity dispersions – broadening of spectral lines
- Mass/Light ratio (M/L) >1

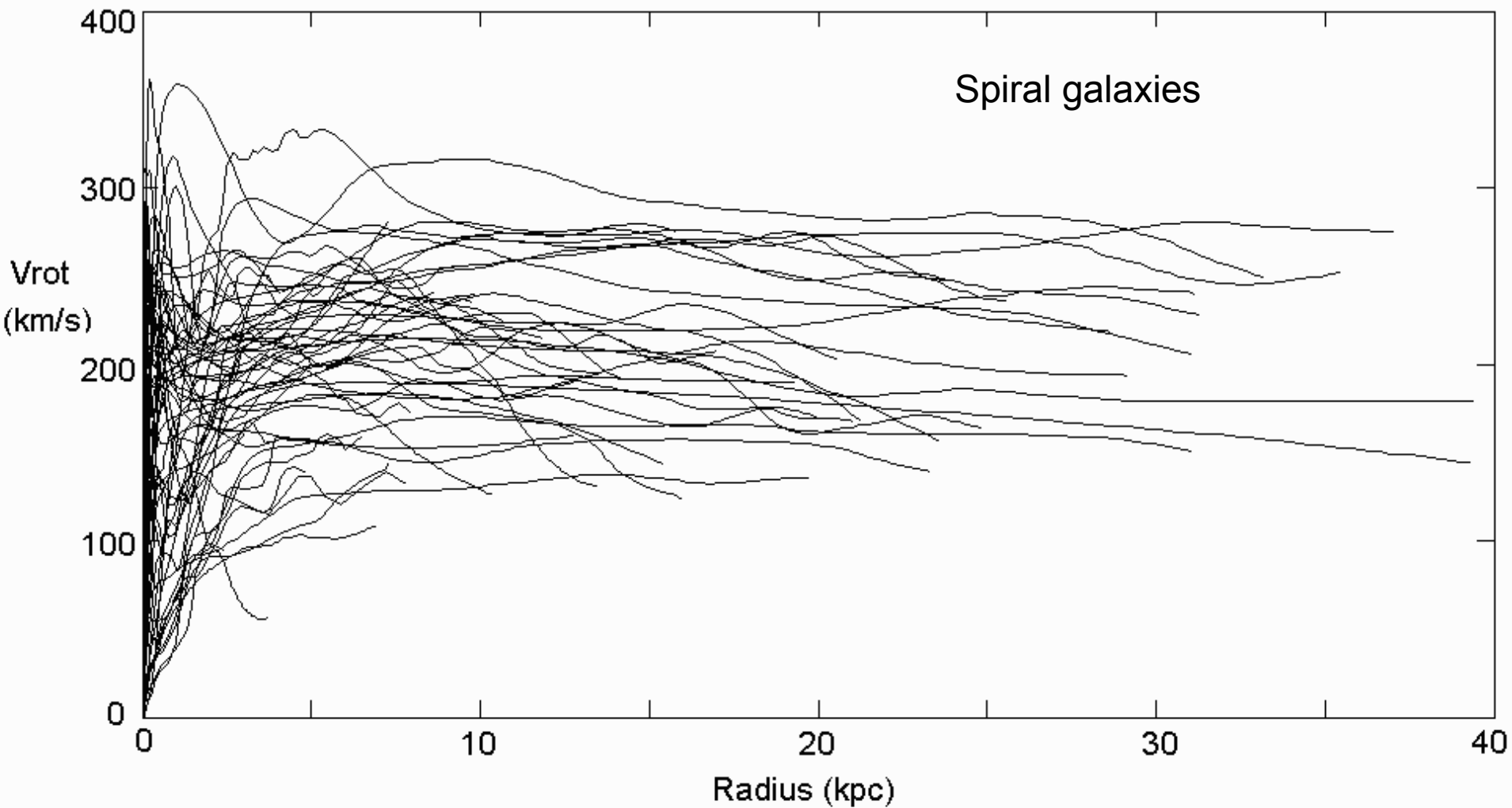
Velocity map



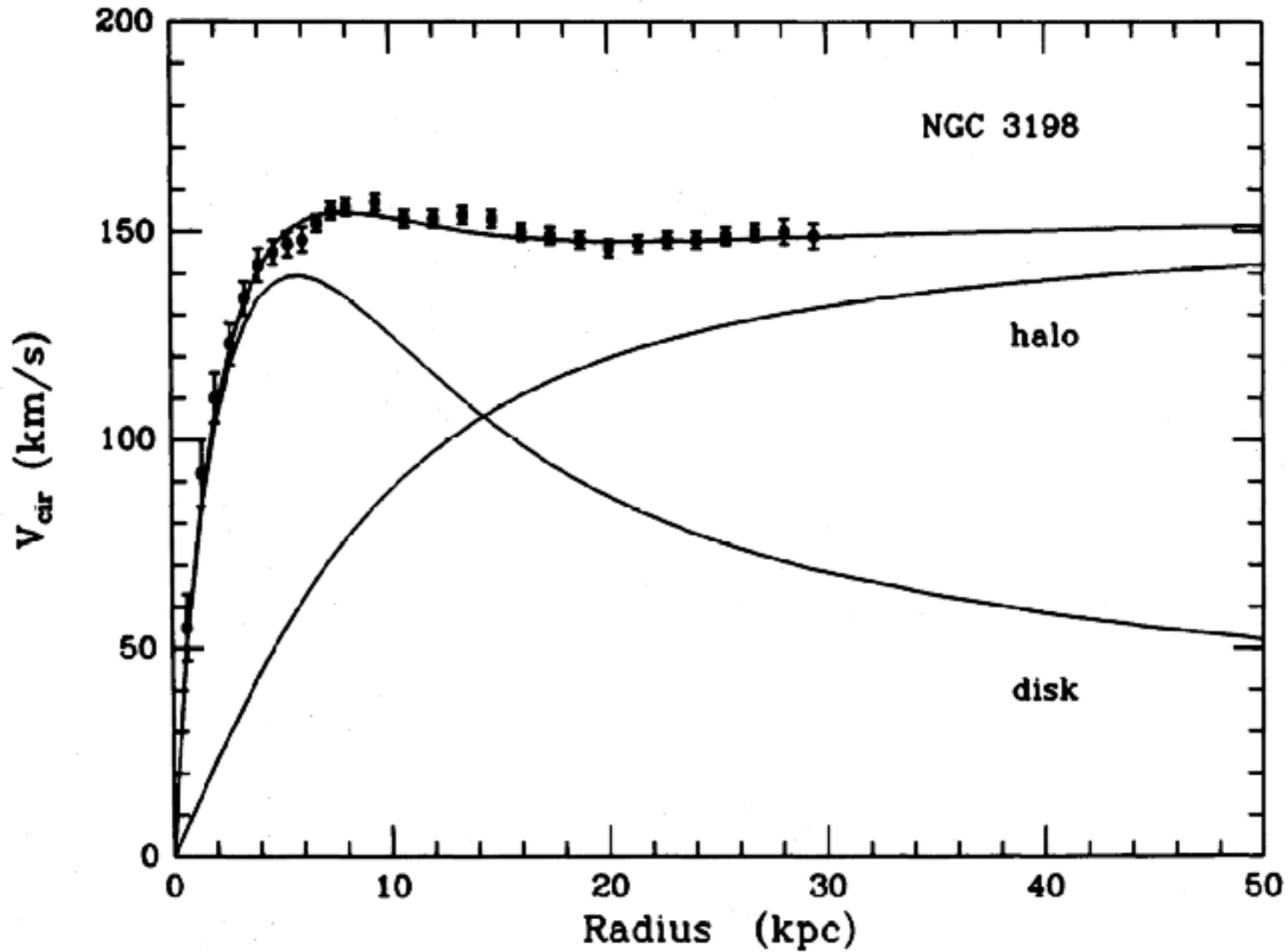
- Velocity map, ionized gas in NGC 4666
- Left hand side coming towards us, right away

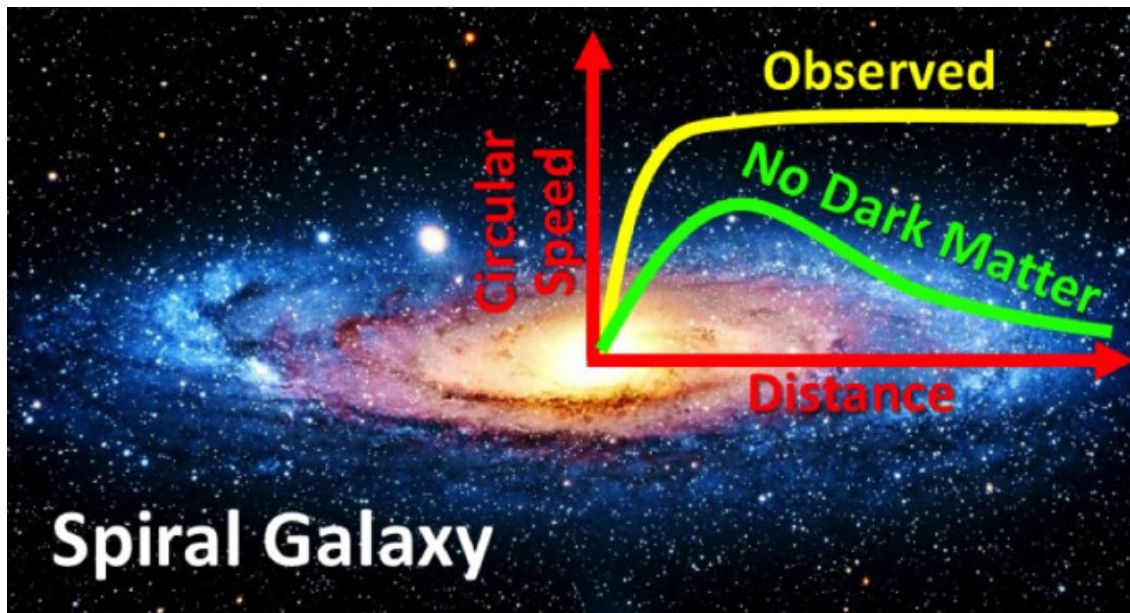
[Voigtländer, Pierre et al. Astron.Astrophys. 554 \(2013\)](#)

Evidence for dark matter - Rotation curves

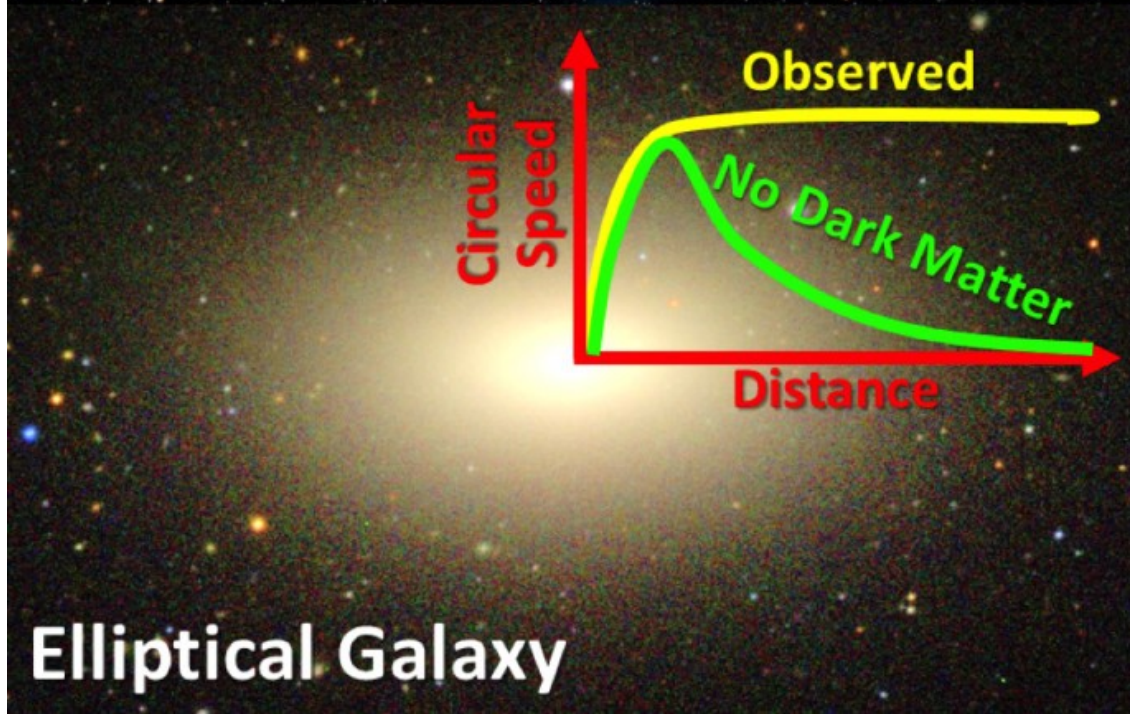


DISTRIBUTION OF DARK MATTER IN NGC 3198





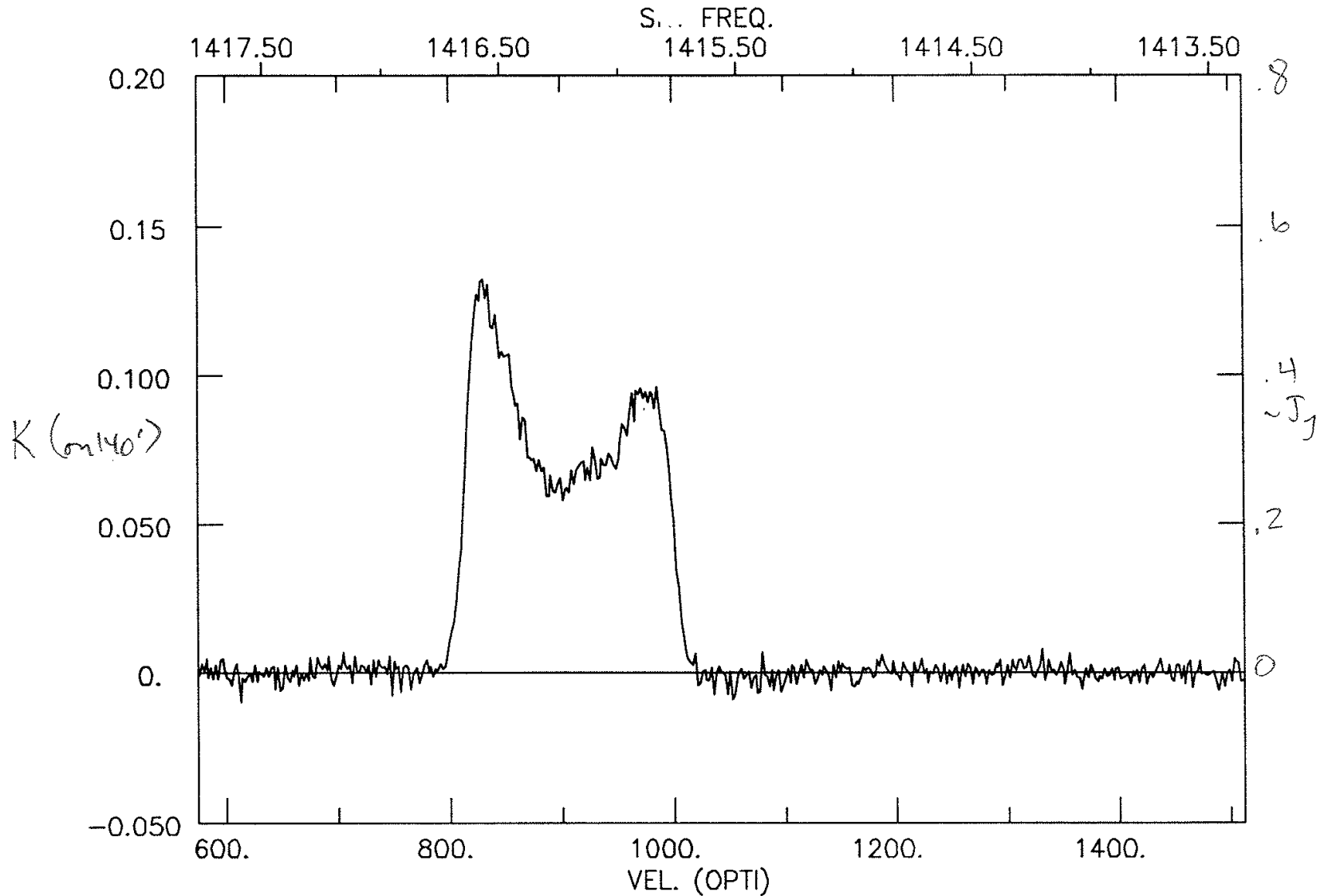
Spiral Galaxy



Elliptical Galaxy

True for all galaxy types?

Masses of spiral galaxies – HI spectrum of UGC 11707 (NRAO 140 ft)



Kinematic measurement of the mass of a spiral galaxy

- Use $GMm/r^2 = mv^2/r$
- Hence $M=rv^2/G$
- Need to know rotation velocity v
 - Comes from HI spectrum of galaxy, corrected for inclination
- Need r , galaxy radius
 - comes from $r=d\theta$, where d =distance to galaxy and θ =size in arcsec
- Measures **total** mass

Statistical properties

Correlations along the Hubble sequence

- Elliptical galaxies red, spirals blue
 - Different types of star and rates of star formation in different galaxy types
- Ellipticals have little neutral hydrogen while spirals show a monotonic increase along the Hubble sequence
 - Spirals will have high star formation in future

Statistical properties

The Luminosity Function

- Frequency with which galaxies of different luminosity found in a given sample of galaxies
- $\phi(L)$ = space density of galaxies in luminosity range to
- where S = flux density ($W/(m \text{ Hz})$)
- $L = 4\pi r^2 S$ W/Hz where S = flux density ($W/(m \text{ Hz})$)

Luminosity functions

- **Luminosity functions** are used to study the properties of large groups or classes of objects, such as the stars in clusters or the galaxies in the Local Group.
- Not totally general
- Varies with environment
- Brightest CD galaxies in clusters don't fit
- SKA will do a “1 Billion galaxy” survey!

Statistical properties

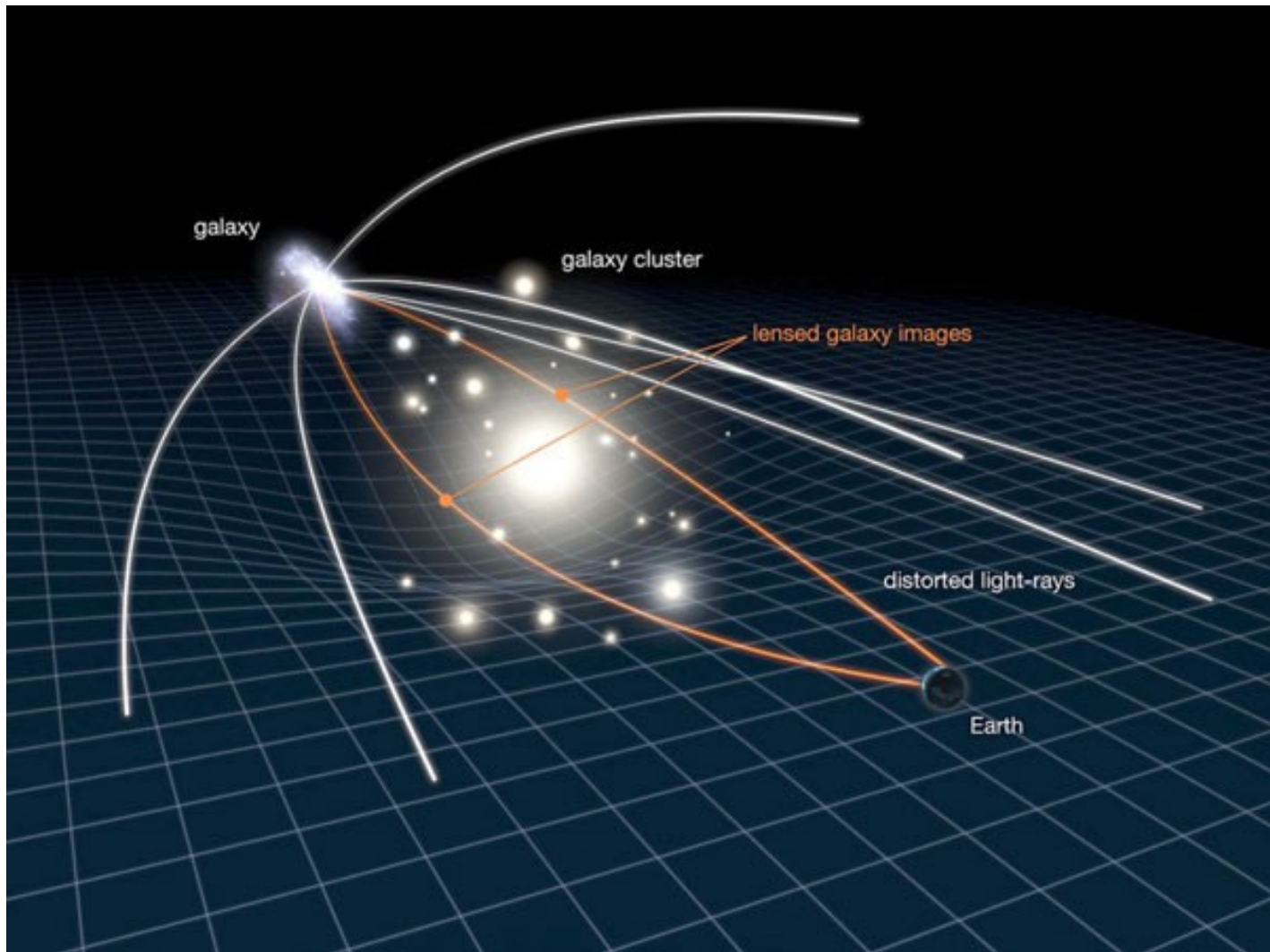
Mass-to-light ratio

- How does the mass differ from that expected from the number of stars?
- Integrate luminosity function over a cluster
- Add up the masses of the various types of galaxies (spectral synthesis)
- $M/L \sim 5$ in galaxies, $M/L \sim 100$ virial mass $\sim 100-500+$ in clusters
- Universe ~ 1600 , ie need more mass to close the universe.

2017 Updates

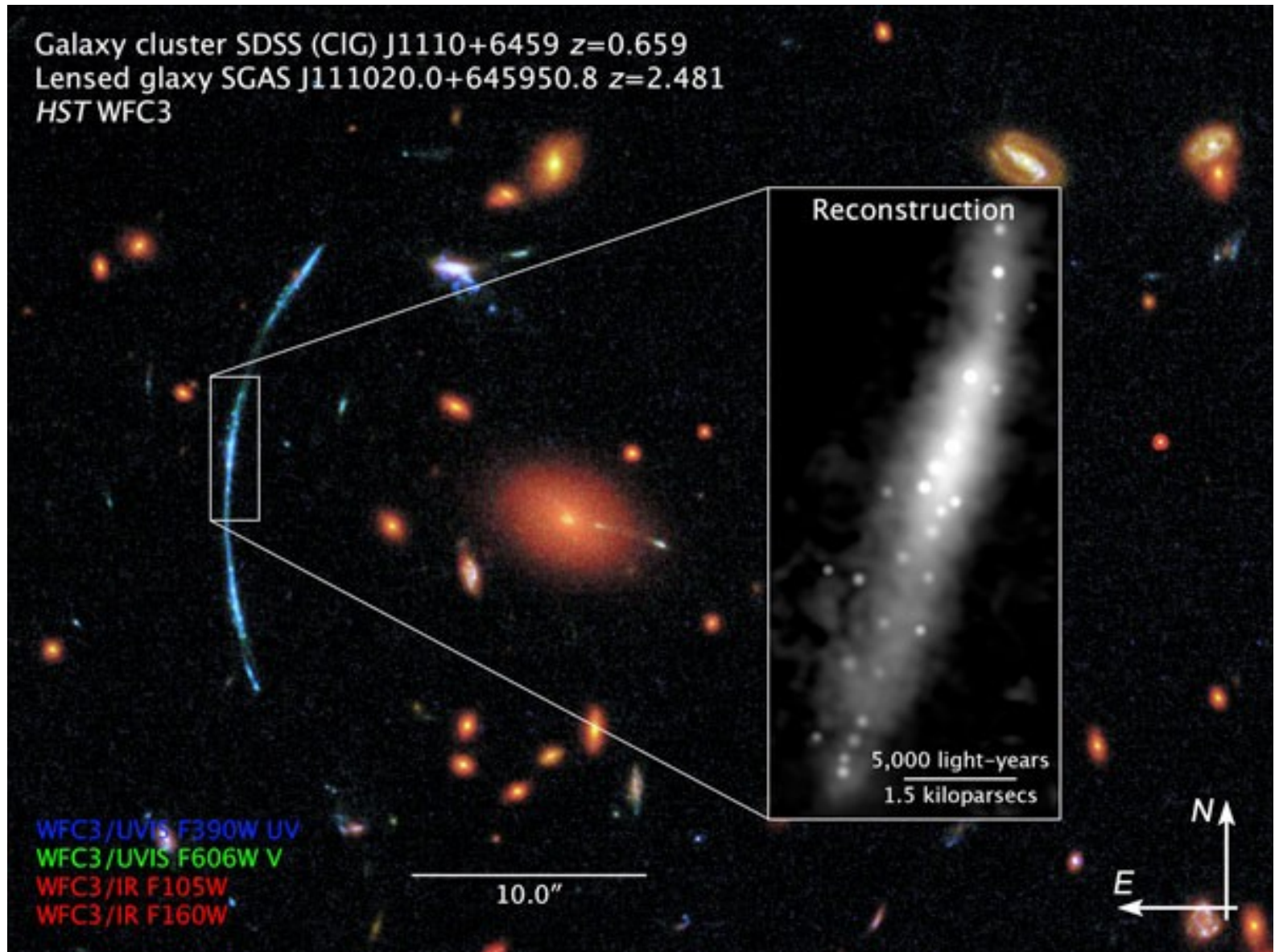
- Using gravitational lensing to see very distant galaxies
 - Details in closer ones
 - Detecting more distant ones
- Which galaxies have black holes?

How to see more in distant galaxies



http://hubblesite.org/news_release/news/2017-27

Galaxy cluster SDSS (CIG) J1110+6459 $z=0.659$
Lensed galaxy SGAS J111020.0+645950.8 $z=2.481$
HST WFC3



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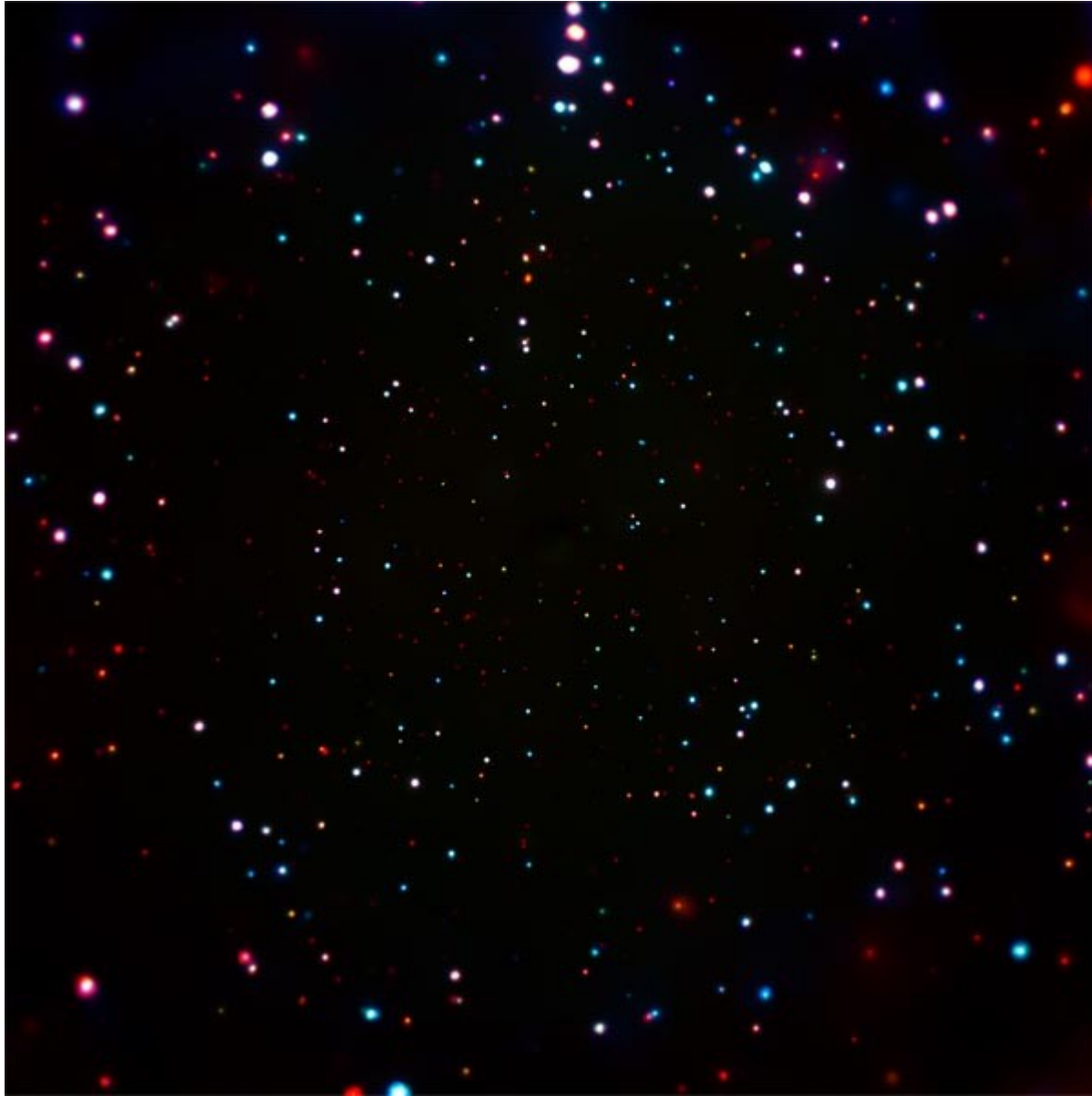
www.skyandtelescope.com/astronomy-news/incredible-resolution-reconstructed-galaxy-pushes-hubbles-limits

Behind Galaxy Cluster MACS 0416 $z=0.397$



167 galaxies, redshifts 5.3 to 8.8 (to 1.31×10^9 years ago!) *STScI / NASA / CATS Team / R. Livermore (UT Austin)*

1,008 Black Holes in Deepest-Ever X-ray Image (Chandra composite)



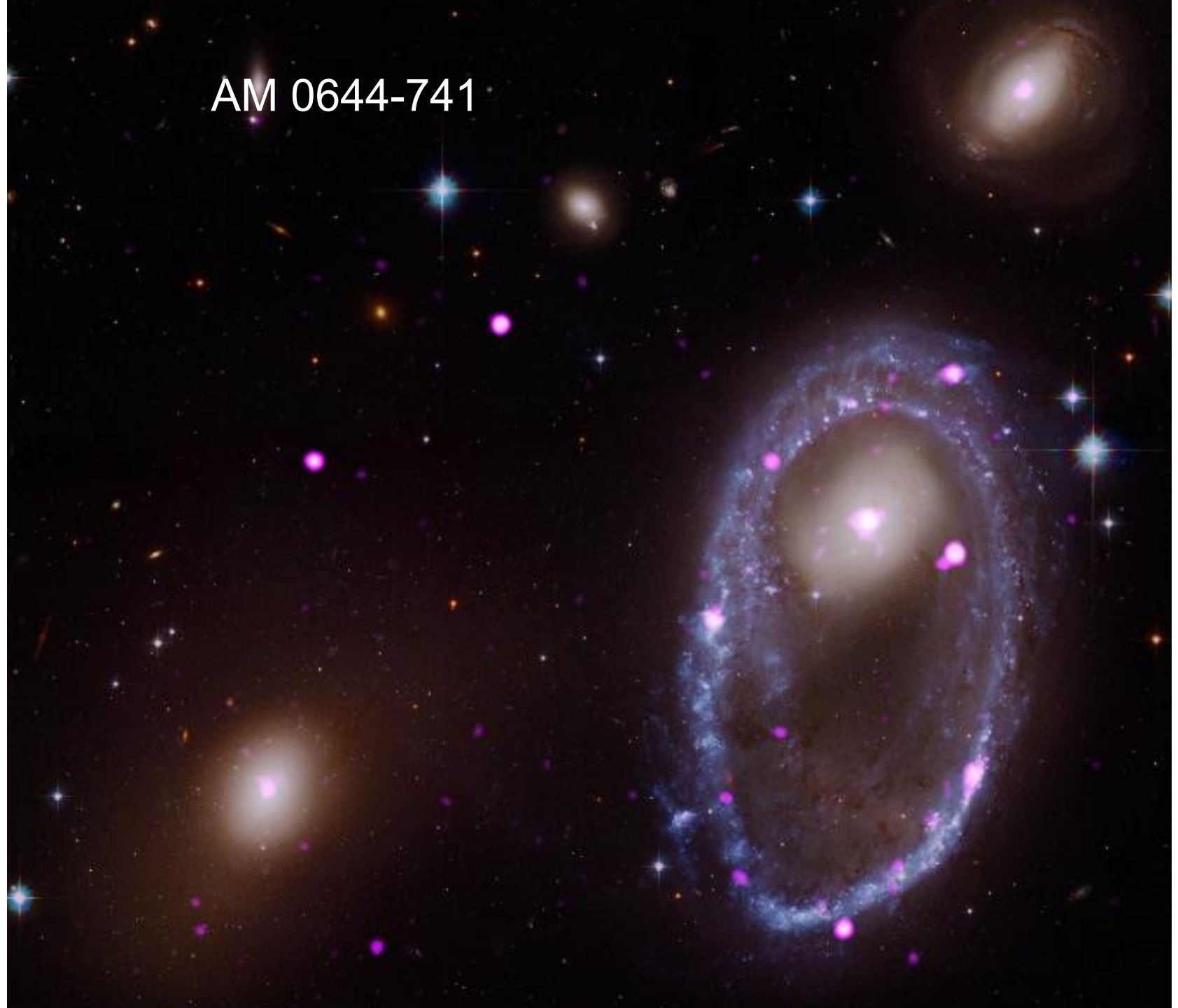
- 7 million seconds observing over 17 years
- Hubble UDF in middle of this field

NASA / CXC / Penn State Univ. / B. Luo et al

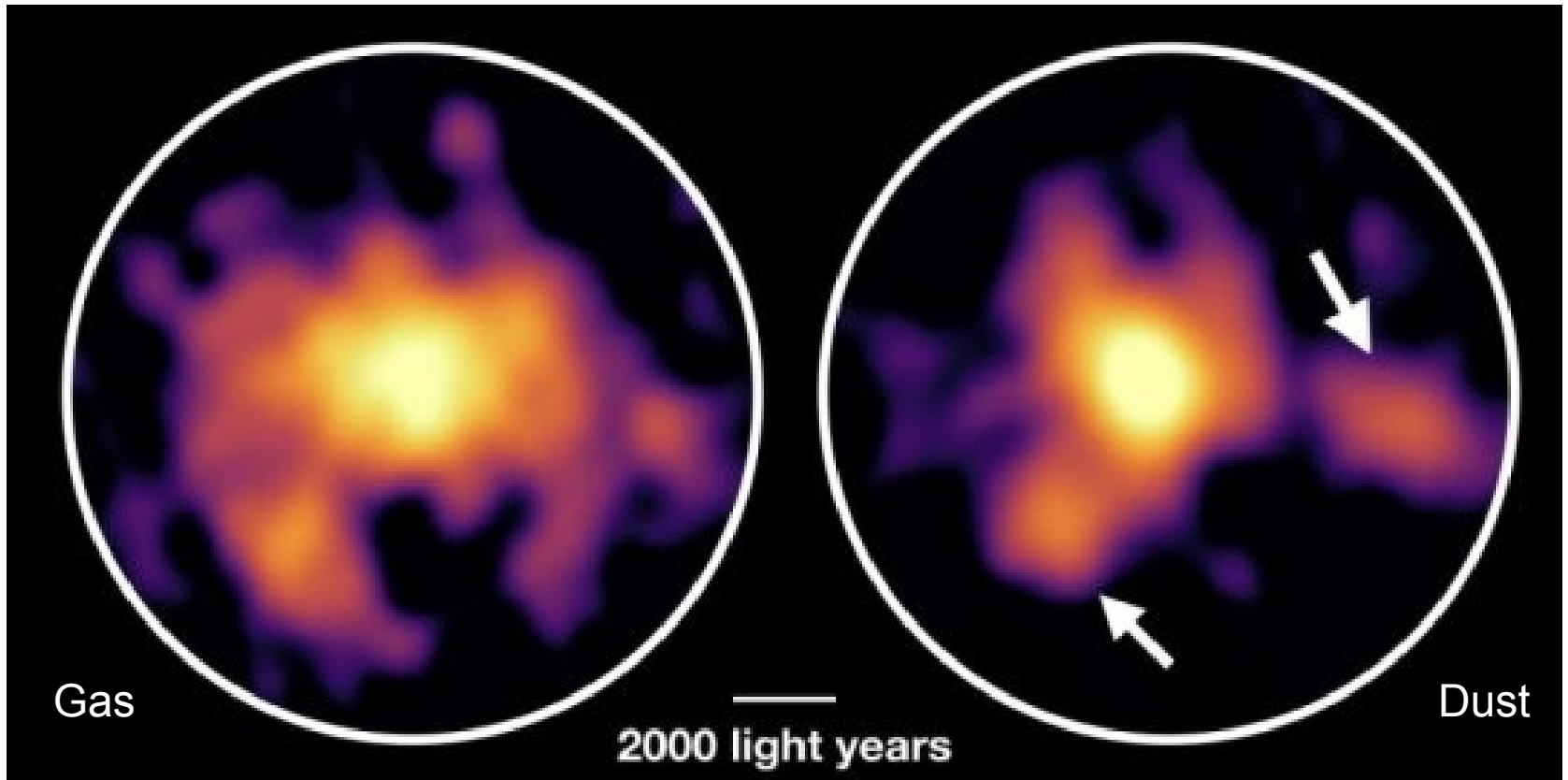
2018 updates

- Galactic collisions can cause rings of black holes (CHANDRA)
- GAIA is radically altering our perception of galaxies – almost all show evidence of interaction if look carefully
- Forerunners of E galaxies found by ALMA?
- All distant galaxies surrounded by atomic hydrogen (Lyman α) (VLT+ MUSE)

AM 0644-741



Unstable molecular clouds in distant “monster” galaxy (ALMA)



- Monster galaxy 12.4 billion ly away
- Runaway star formation – E galaxy precursor



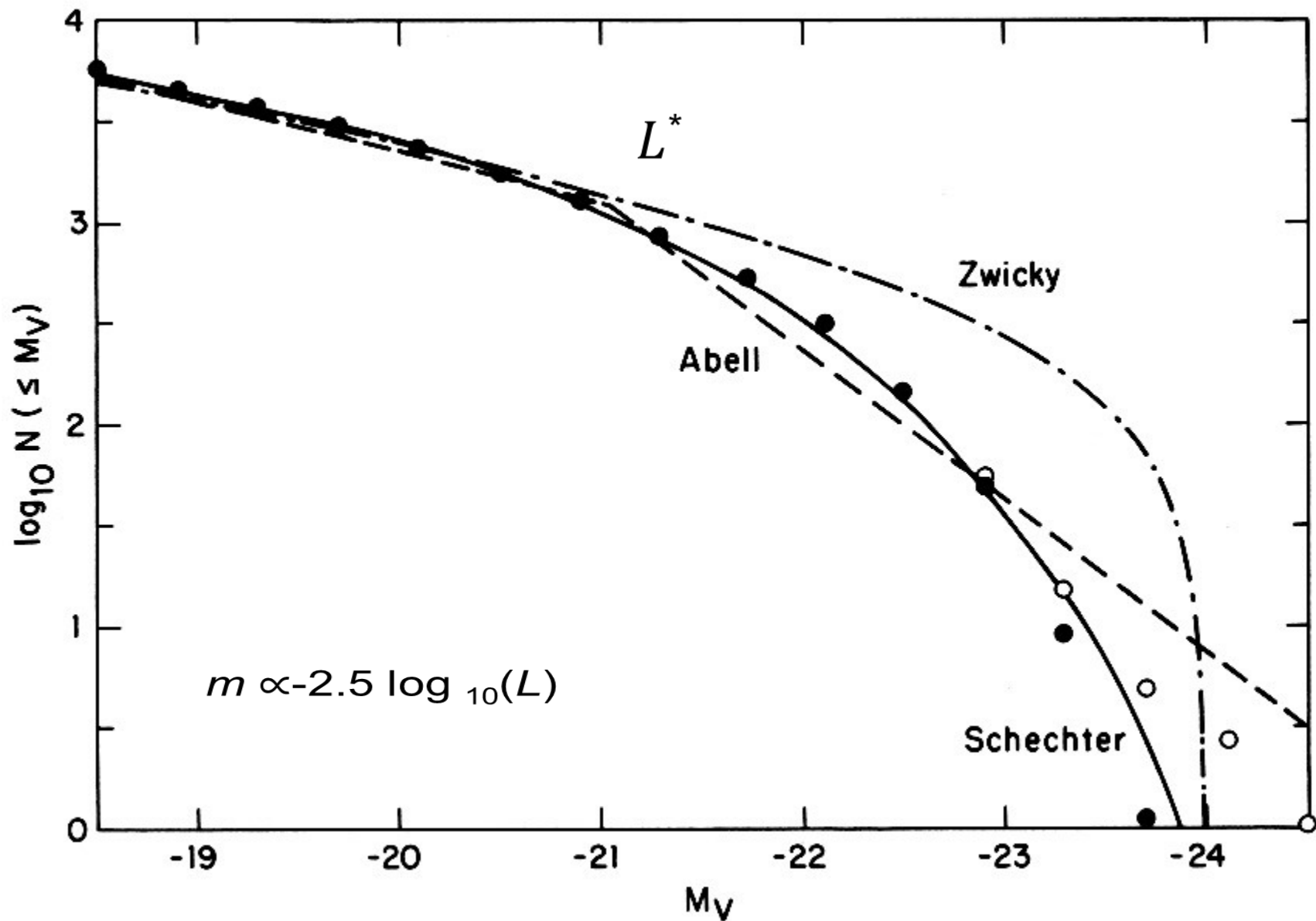
ESA/Hubble & NASA, ESO/Lutz Wisotzki et al.

Galaxies-review

- Galaxy Types
- Hubble's Tuning Fork Diagram
- Peculiar and interacting galaxies
- Light distributions
- Masses
- General (statistical) properties of galaxies
- The Luminosity function
- Mass-to-Light ratios

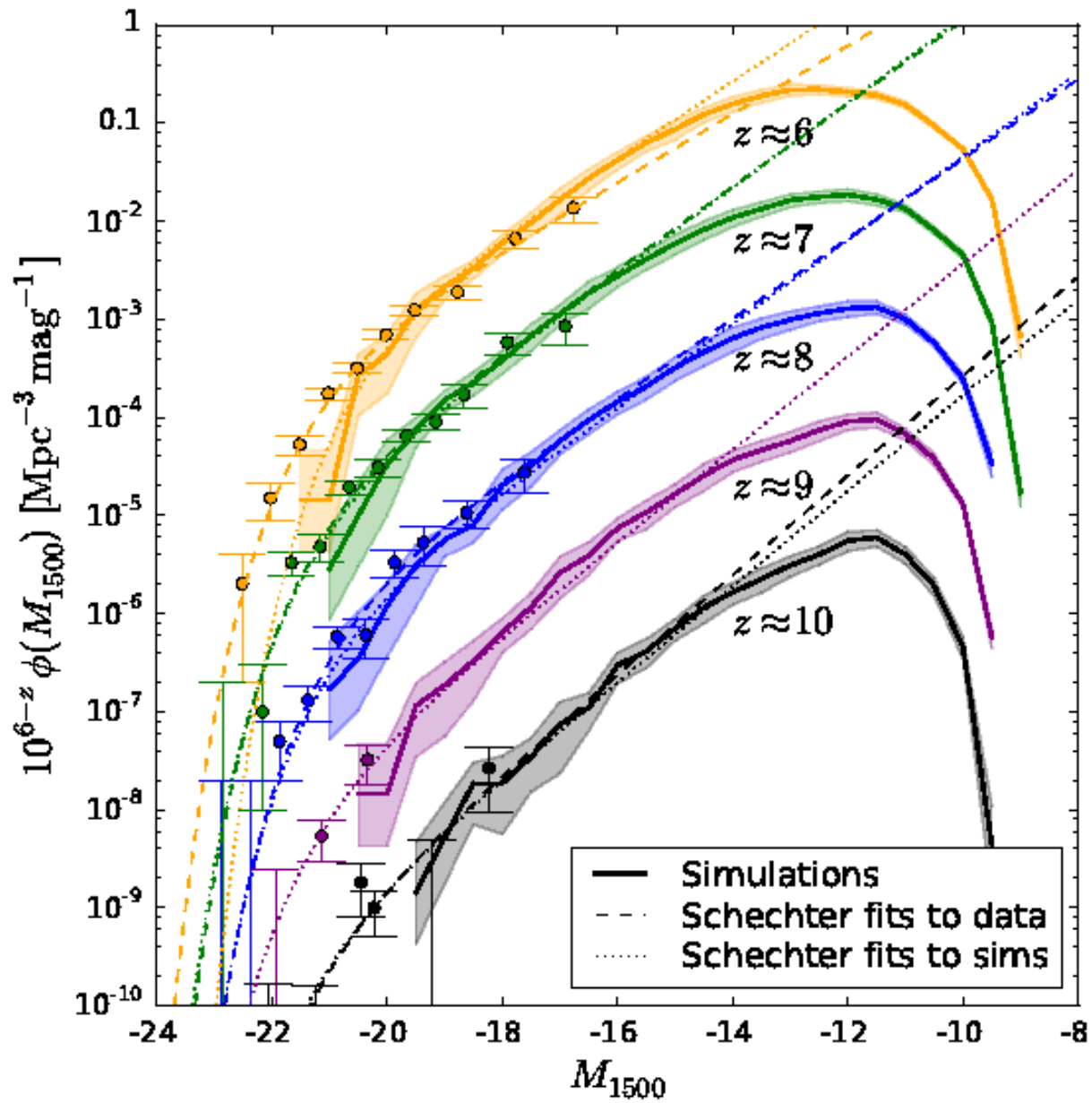
End

- $M_{\text{star}} - M_{\text{sun}} = -2.5 \log_{10} (L_{\text{star}} / L_{\text{sun}})$



• ~~Schechter law~~ $\varphi(x)dx = \varphi^* x^\alpha e^{-x} dx$

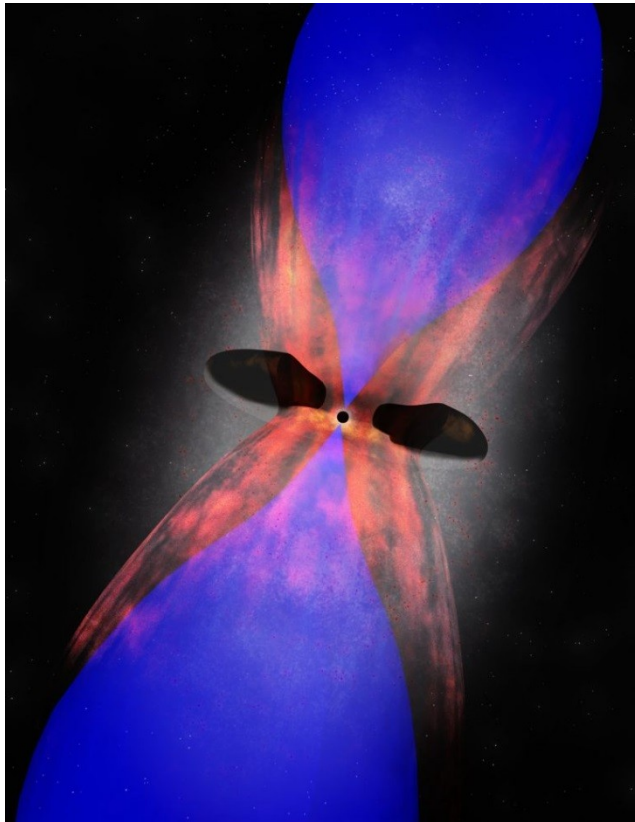
- $x = \frac{L}{L^*}$
- Power law (slope α)
- High luminosity exponential cutoff at L^* , "break"



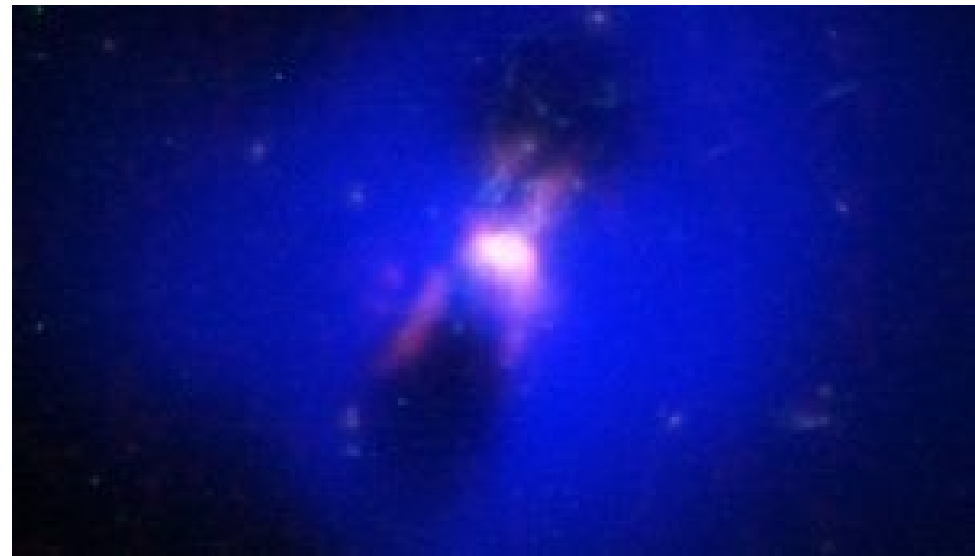
. - [Gnedin, Nickolay Y.](#), *Astrophys.J.* 825 (2016)

Central galaxy, Phoenix cluster

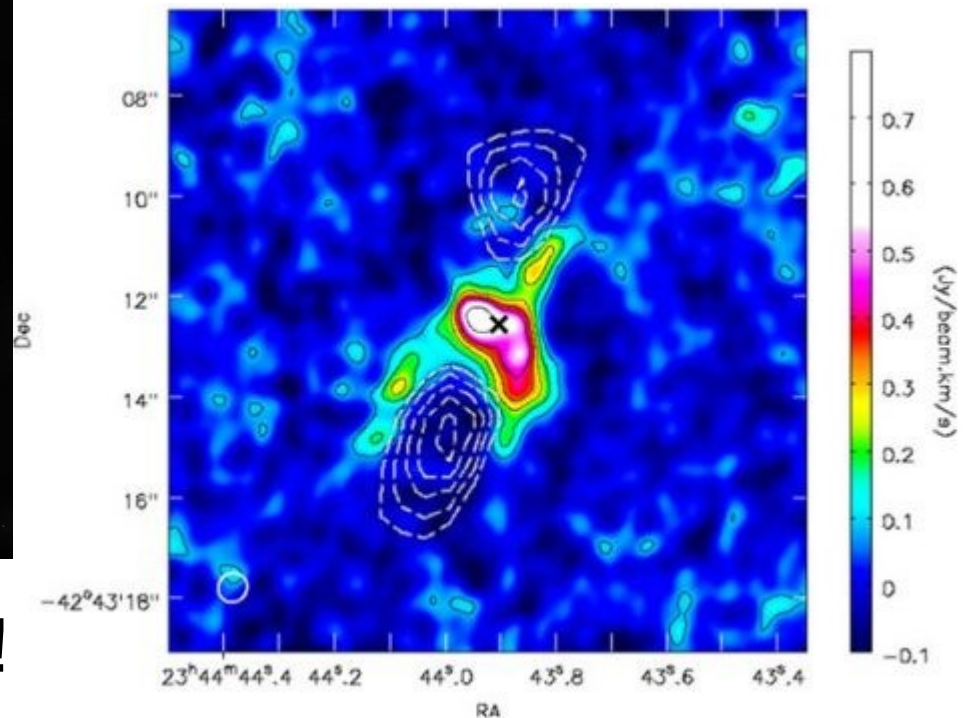
X-ray, ALMA (mm)
and radio (VLA)



Not red and dead!



700 Solar masses per year!



- An elliptical concentration of stars at the centre is called the *bulge*
- Bulge is rich in red stars – Population II and old Population I





Barred spiral galaxies



(a) SBa (NGC 4650)



(b) SBb (M83)



(c) SBc (NGC 1365)