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Basic Properties of Eri II

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$$M_V = -7.1 \pm 0.3$$

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$$r_{half} = 277 \pm 14 pc$$

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$$D = 366 \pm 17 \text{ kpc}$$

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$$v_{hel} = 75.6 \pm 1.3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

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$$\sigma = 6.9^{+1.2}_{-0.9} \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

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$$[Fe/H] = -2.38 \pm 0.14$$

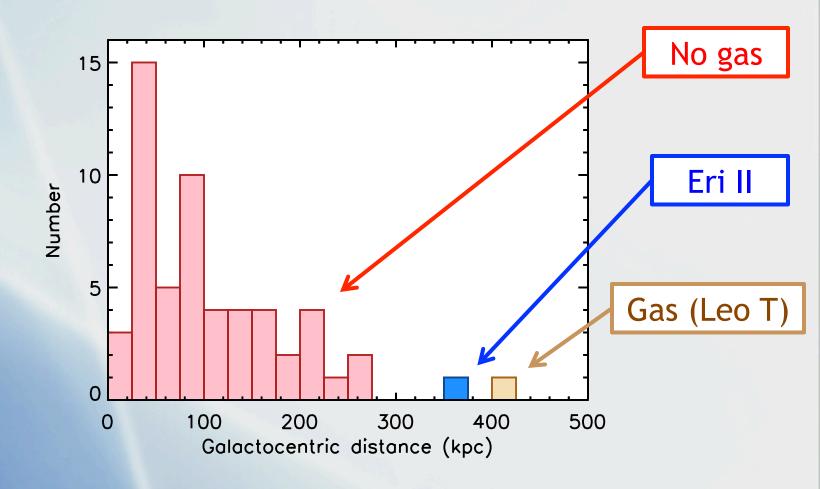
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$$\sigma_{\text{[Fe/H]}} = 0.47^{+0.12}_{-0.09} \text{ dex}$$

Crnojevic et al. (2016)

Li et al. (2017)

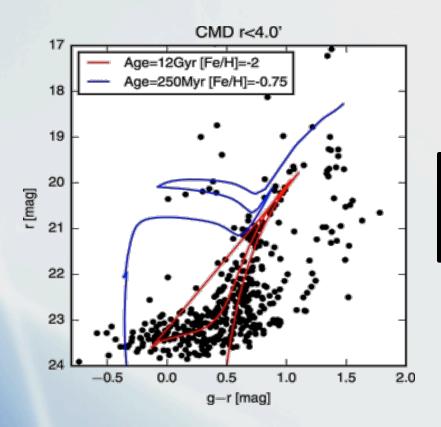
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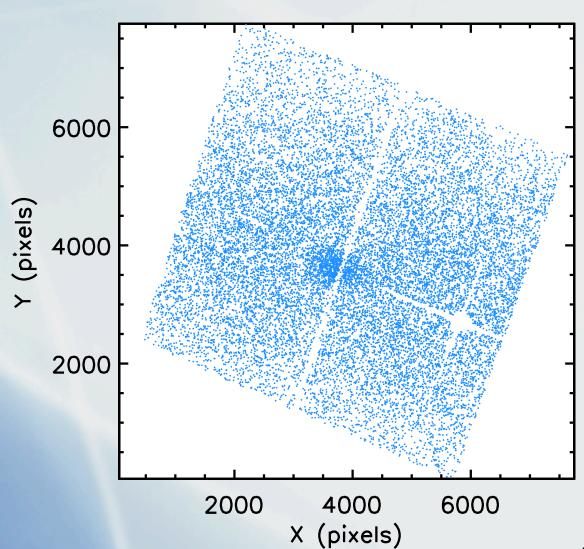


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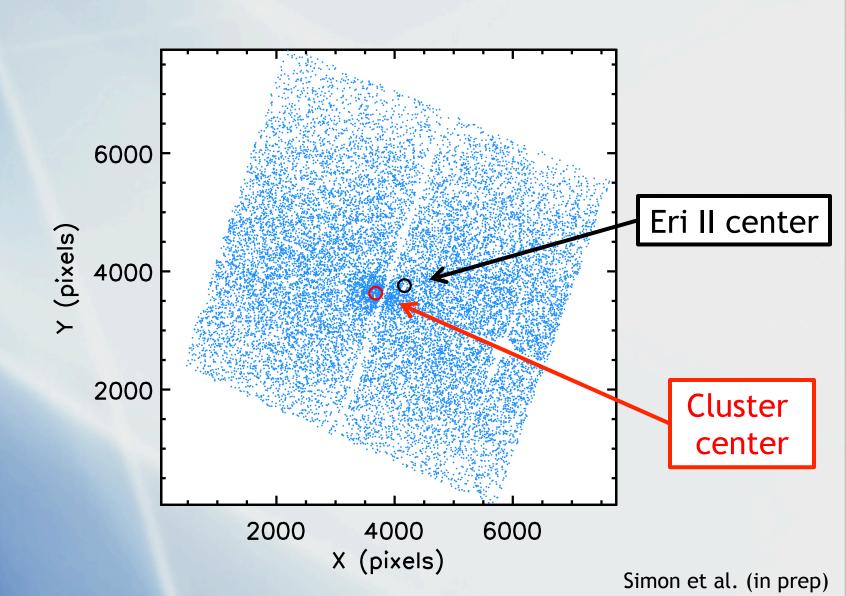
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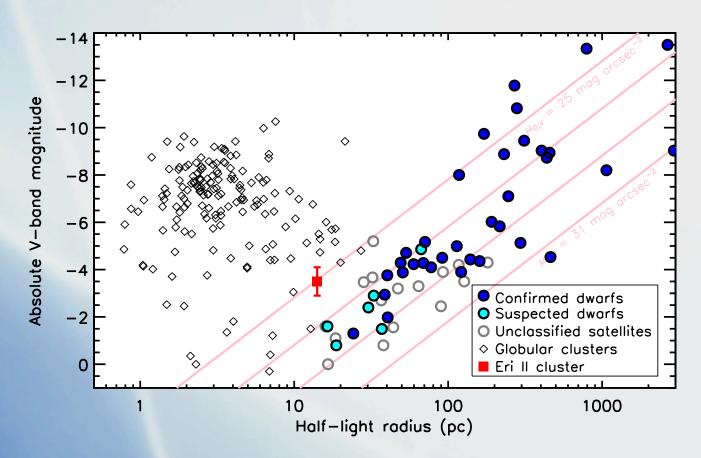


Structural Fit Results

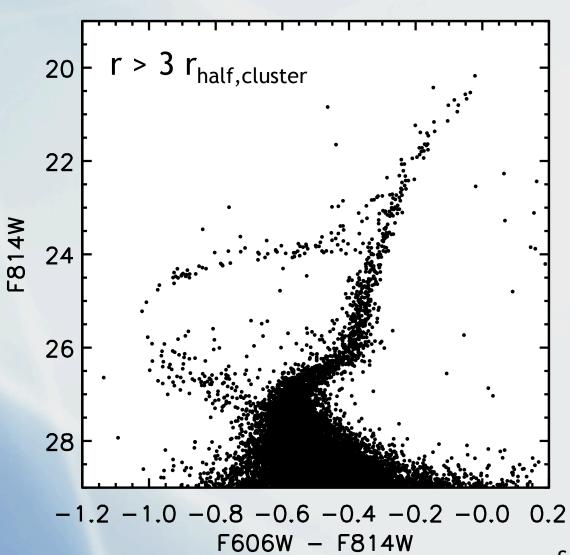
- Cluster is located 13.8 ± 1.1 arcsec
 (24 ± 2 pc) away from center of Eri II
- Cluster and galaxy are aligned to within 2 degrees

Eri II Cluster in Context

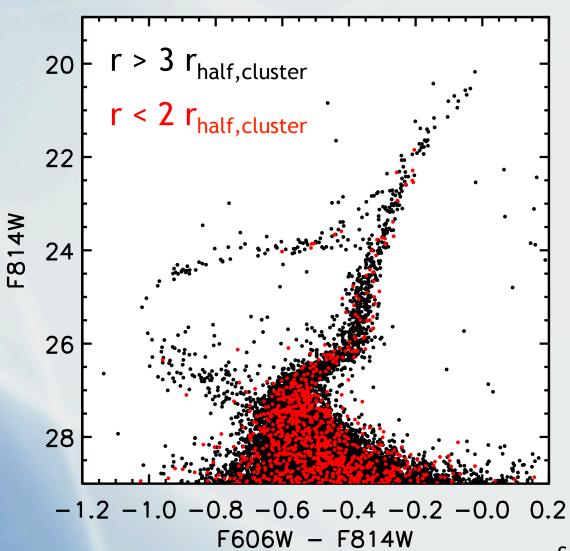
 Cluster is similar to the most diffuse known globulars



Eri II CMD

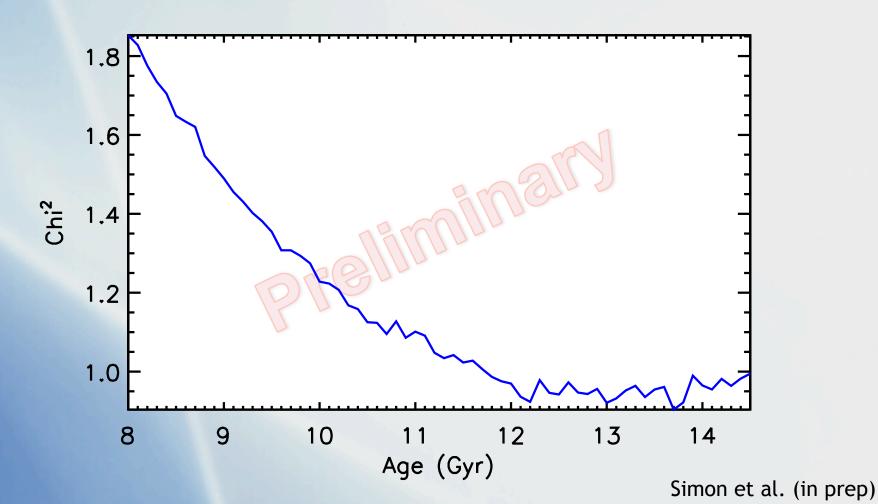


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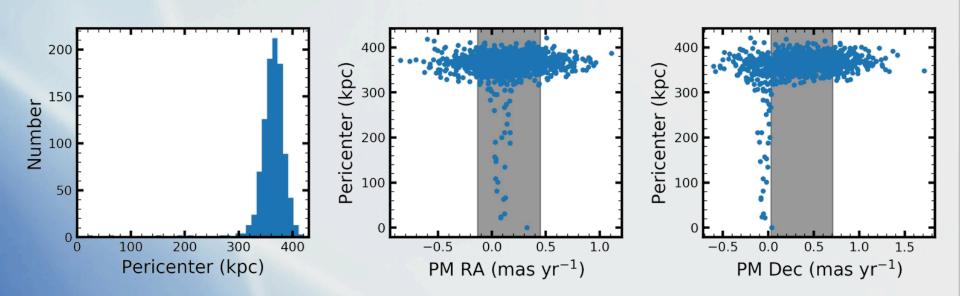
How Old Is Eri II?

Best-fit age for Eri II is ~13 ± 1 Gyr



The Orbit of Eri II

- Eri II is making its first (only?) approach to the Milky Way
- Likely quenched by reionization



RV from Li et al. (2017) PM from Fritz et al. (2018) Distance from Crnojevic et al. (2016)

Summary

- HST imaging of Eridanus II down to the MSTO shows:
 - 1) Cluster is offset by 24 ± 2 pc from center of Eri II
 - 2) Both cluster and dwarf are uniformly old
 - 3) Age is consistent with time of reionization
 - 4) Orbit suggests Eri II is on its first approach to MW

Eri II likely formed as an isolated UFD that was quenched by reionization