

# The Dark Matter wake from the Large Magellanic Cloud.

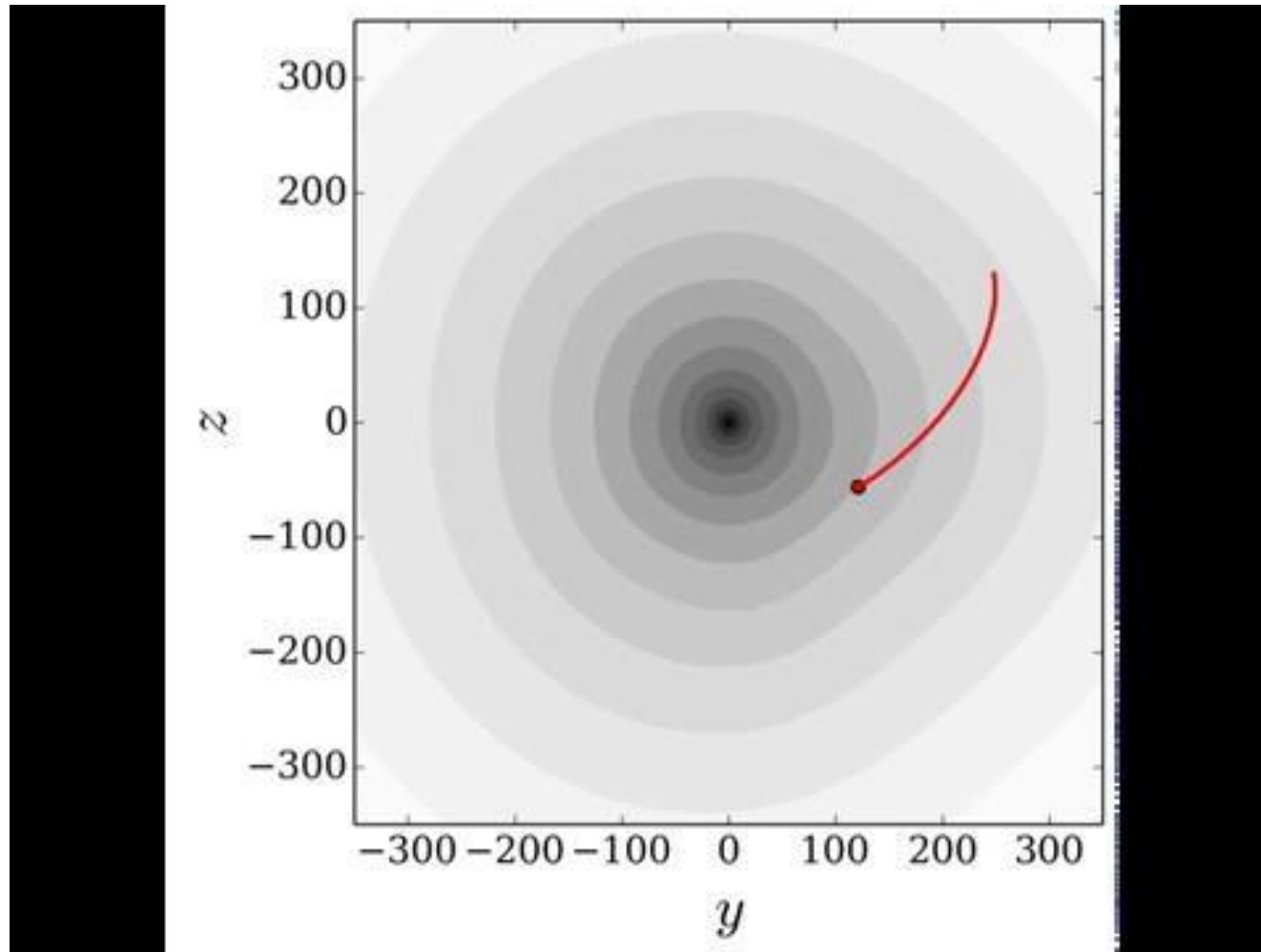
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# Satellite galaxies decay into host galaxies by transferring Energy and Angular Momentum to the DM halo of the host.



# DM wakes: Predicted by Dark Matter models yet **not observed**

Chandrasekhar 43

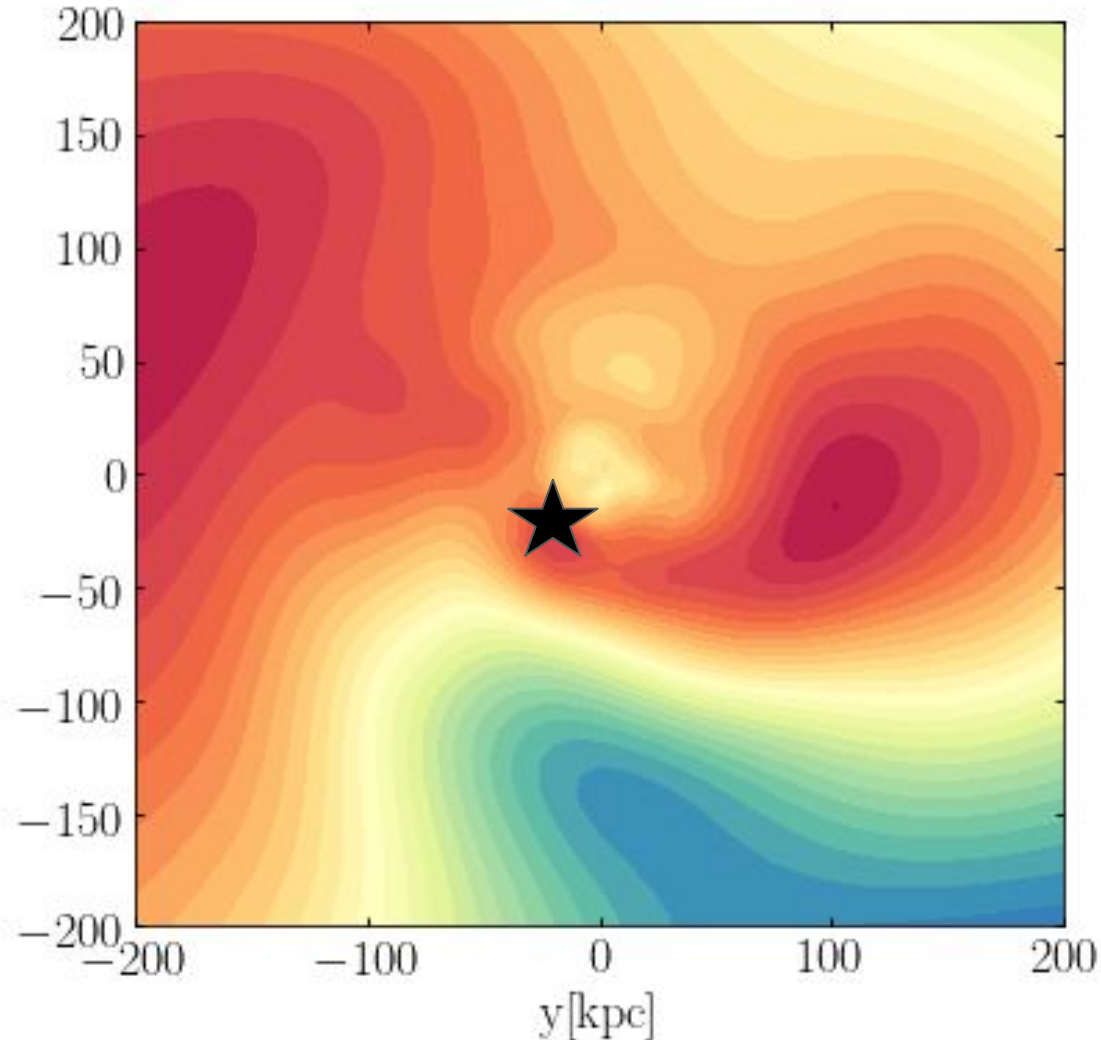
White 83

Tremaine &  
Weinberg 84

Weinberg 98

Choi 09

Ogiya+16



The Large Magellanic Cloud induces **the strongest Wake** in the MW's DM and stellar halo.

- It's the most massive satellite of the MW.  
~ $10^{11}M_{\odot}$  at infall
  - Rotation curve
  - Abundance Matching
  - Timing argument
- It is on its first passage around the MW.
  - Besla07, Kallavayalil+13
- It is at ~50 kpc  
(inside the stellar and DM halo of the MW).

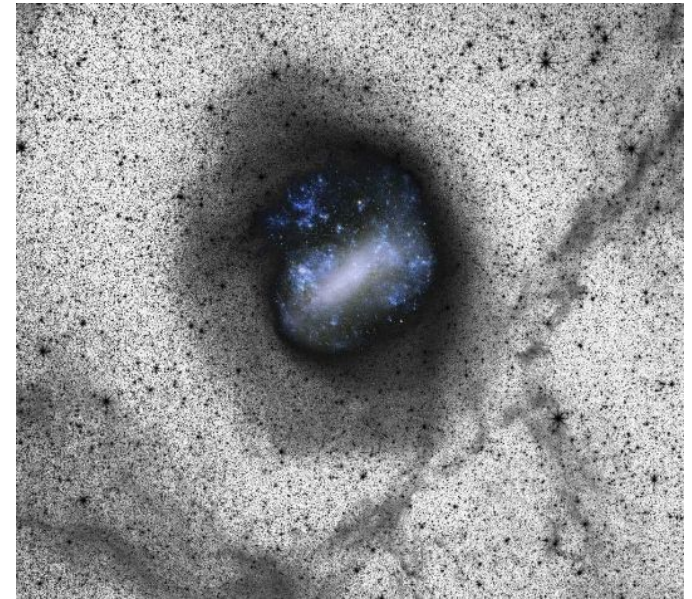


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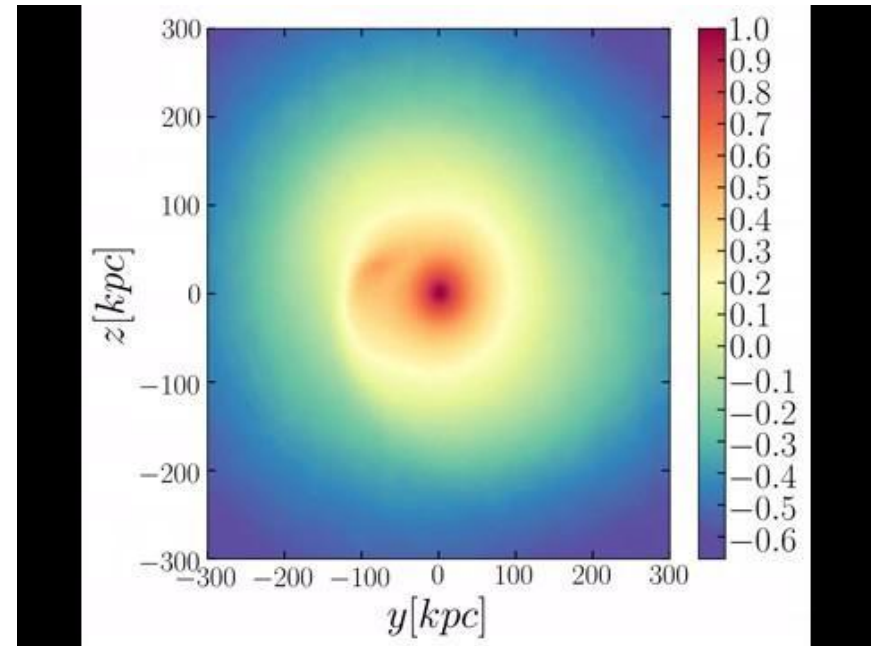
# N-body Simulations: of the MW & LMC.

- Live MW DM halo, stellar disk & bulge
- MW smooth stellar halo
- Live LMC DM halo.
- 4 LMC mass models  $[0.8, 1.0, 1.8, 2.5] \times 10^{11} M_{\odot}$
- 2 MW models  $M_{\text{vir}} 1.2 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$

Different halo kinematics:

*Isotropic and Radially biased.*

- Total: 8 N-body simulations.
- Realistic orbits of the LMC. within  $2\sigma$  of HST measurements of Kallivayalil+13
- Mass resolution:  $m_p = 1 \times 10^4 M_{\odot}$
- Run with P-gadget3



(Garavito-Camargo, Besla, Laporte+19)

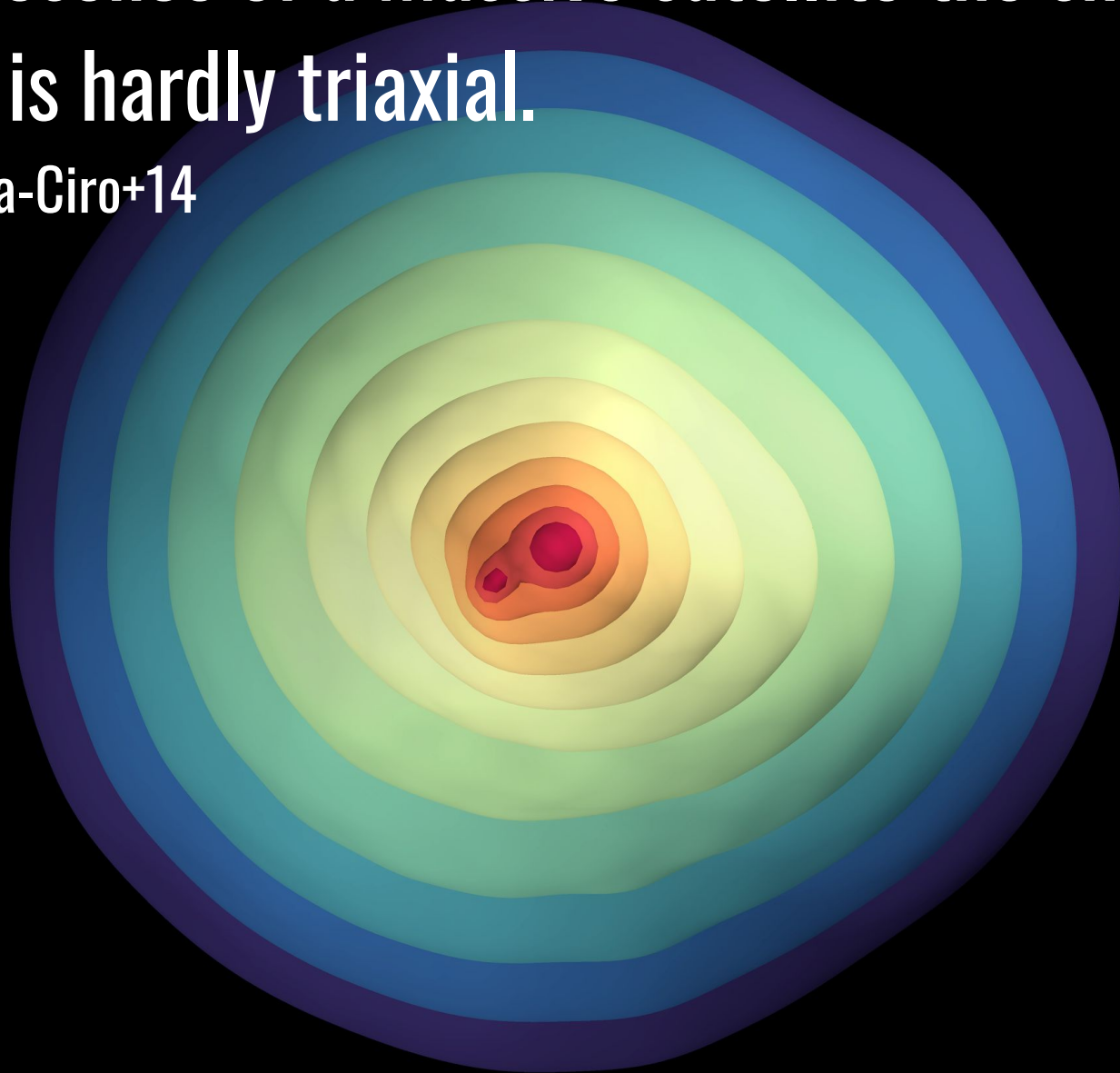
Similar sims used in Laporte 18a effect of the LMC on the MW's disk

**MW Halo Shape is not triaxial it's shape changes with radii.**

In the presence of a massive satellite the shape of the halo is hardly triaxial.

See also Vera-Ciro+14

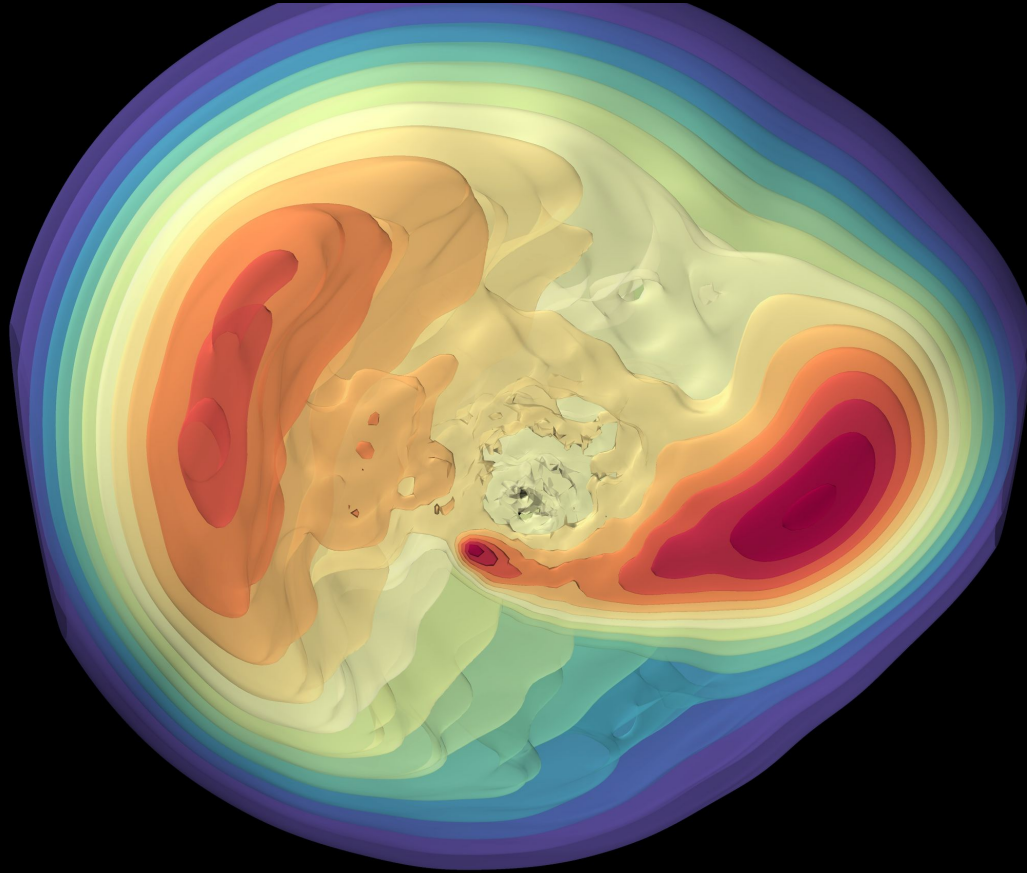
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The LMC produces a **Wake** in the DM distribution and stellar halo of the MW



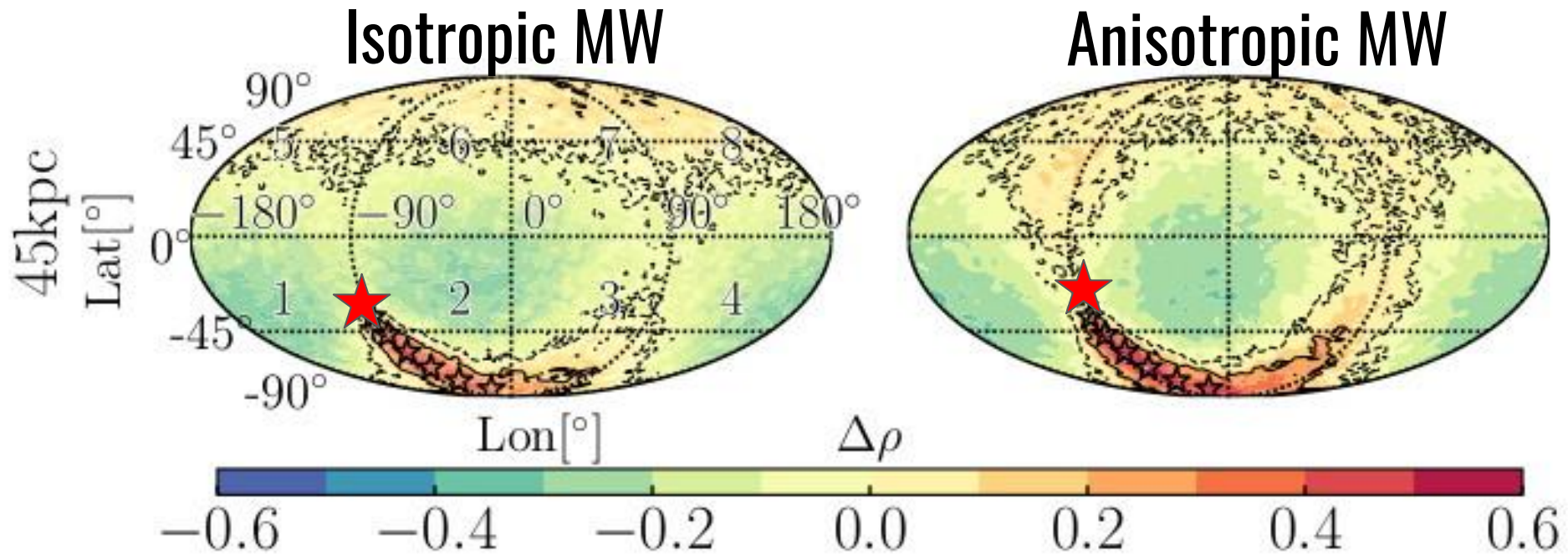
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What are the observable signature of  
the Wake in a *smooth* stellar halo

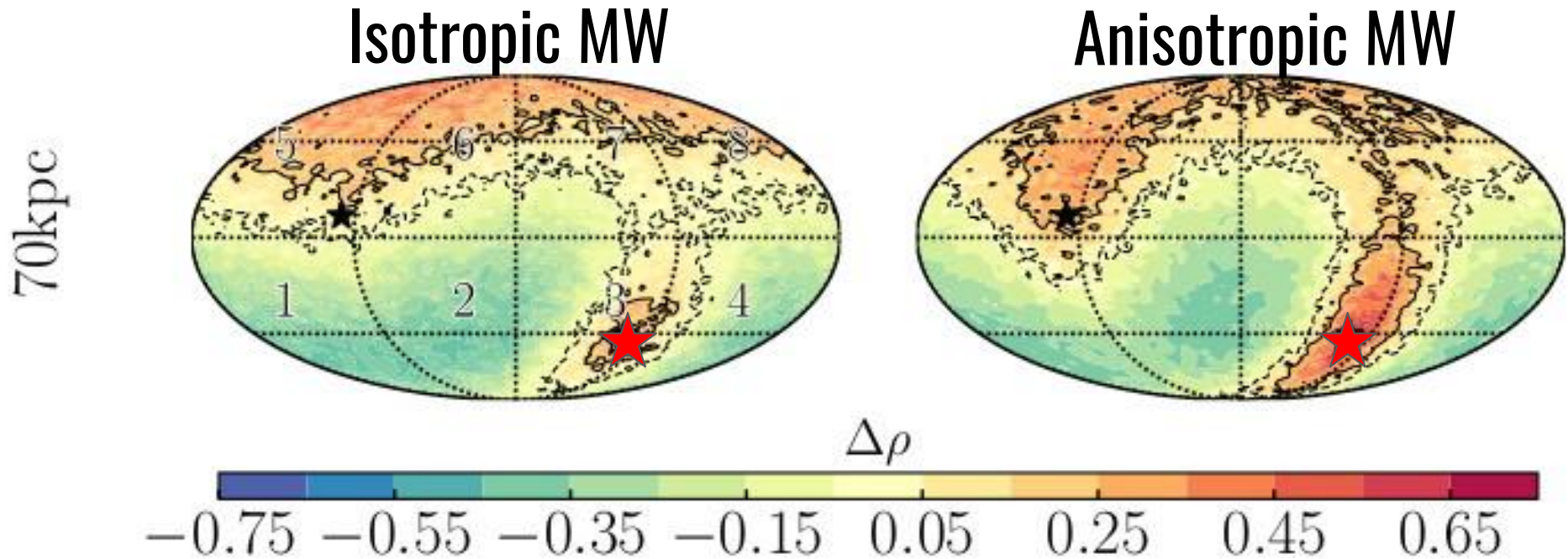
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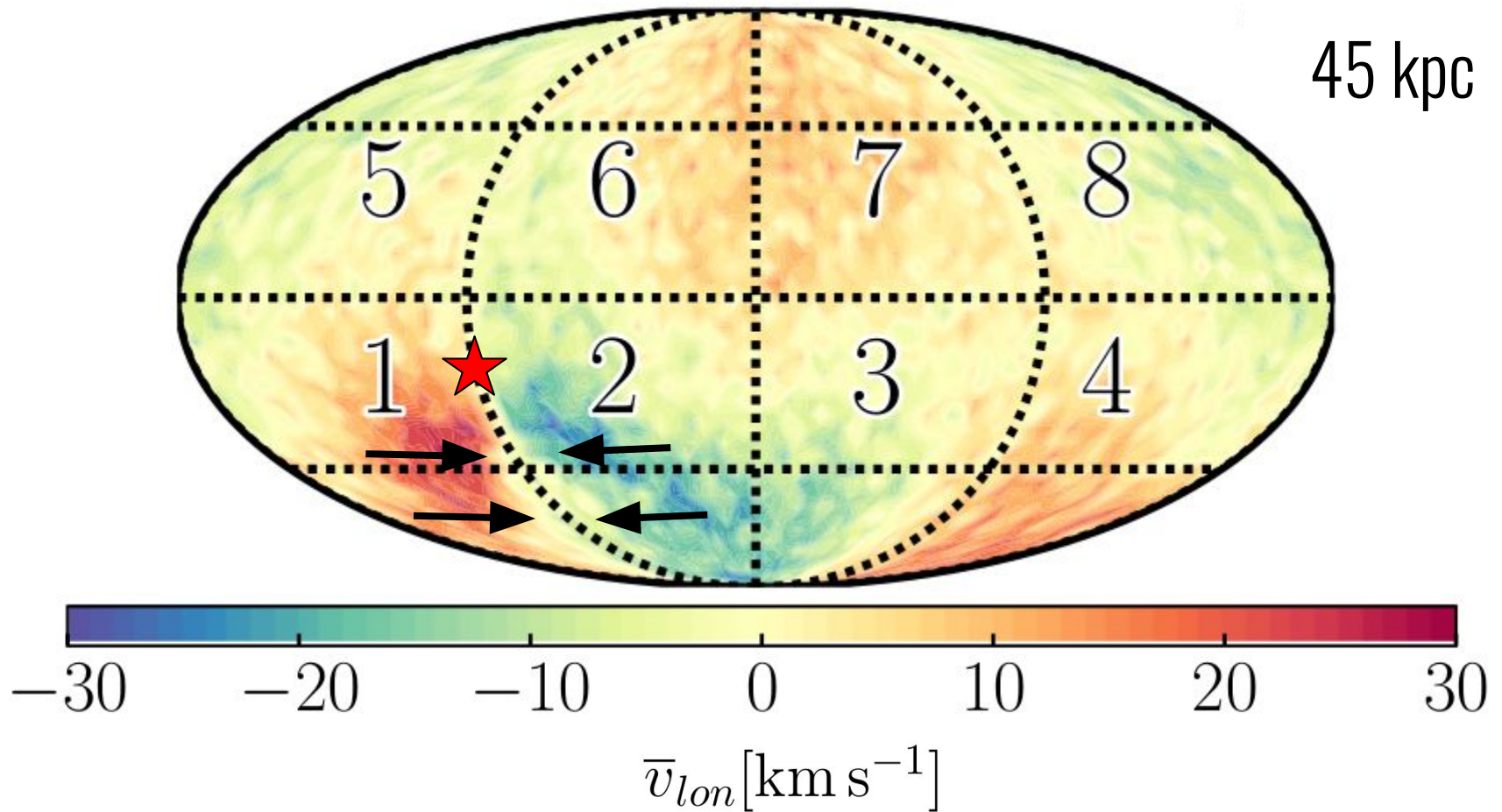
# The Wake in the stellar halo morphology in galactocentric coordinates:



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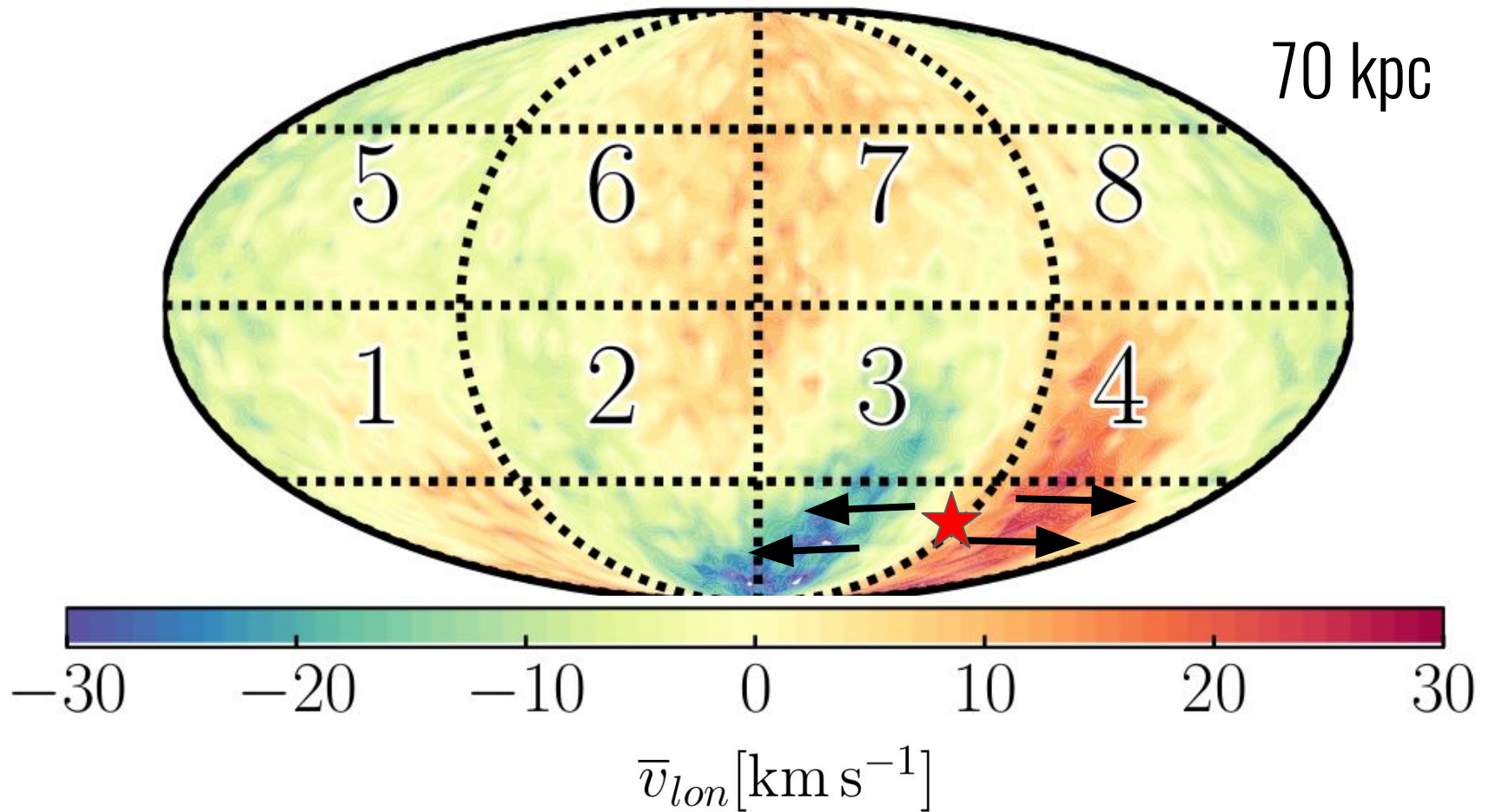
# Kinematic signature of the Wake: Flow of particles around the wake at 45 kpc.



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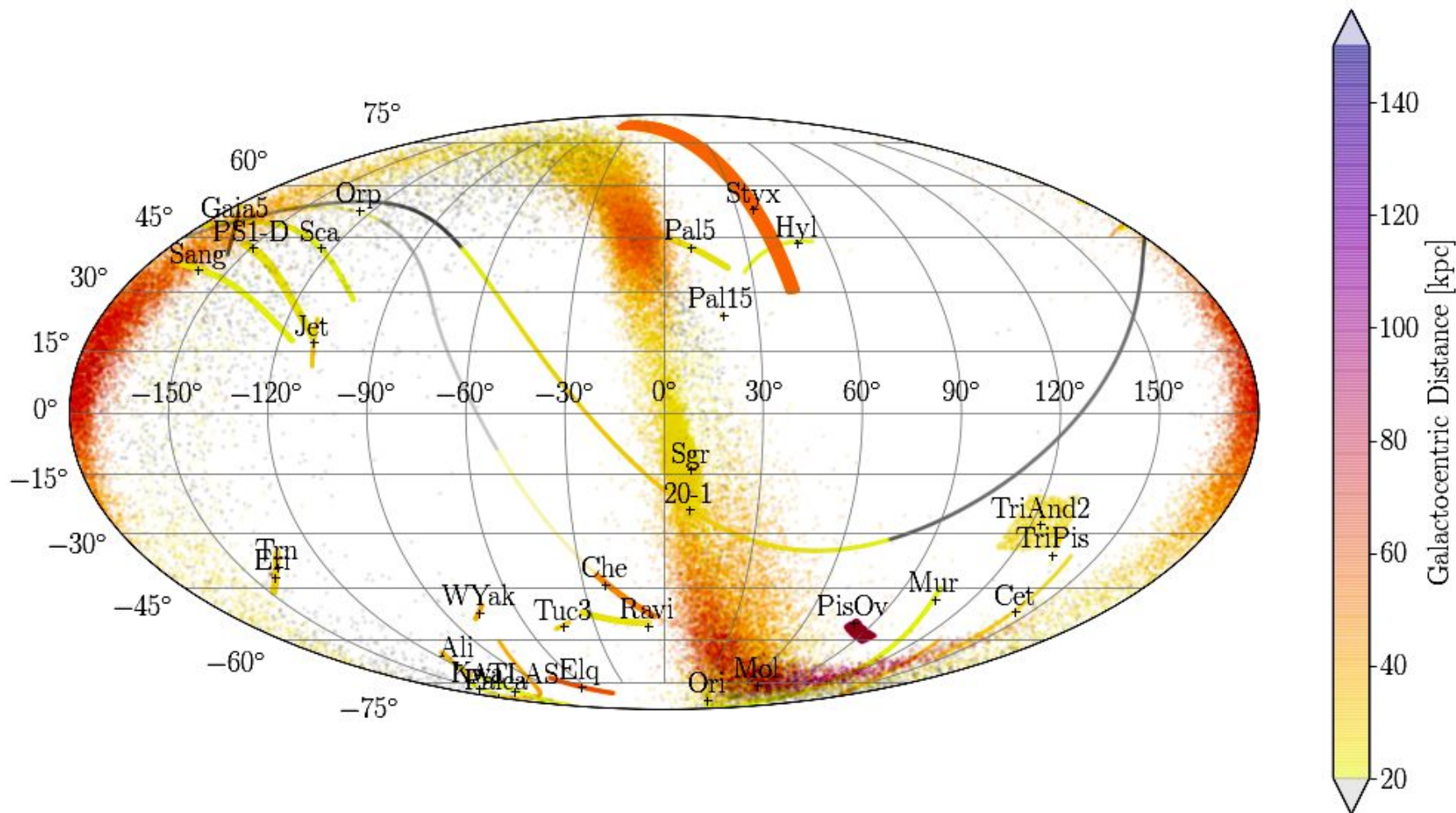
# Kinematic signature of the Wake: Outflow of particles around the Wake at 70 kpc.



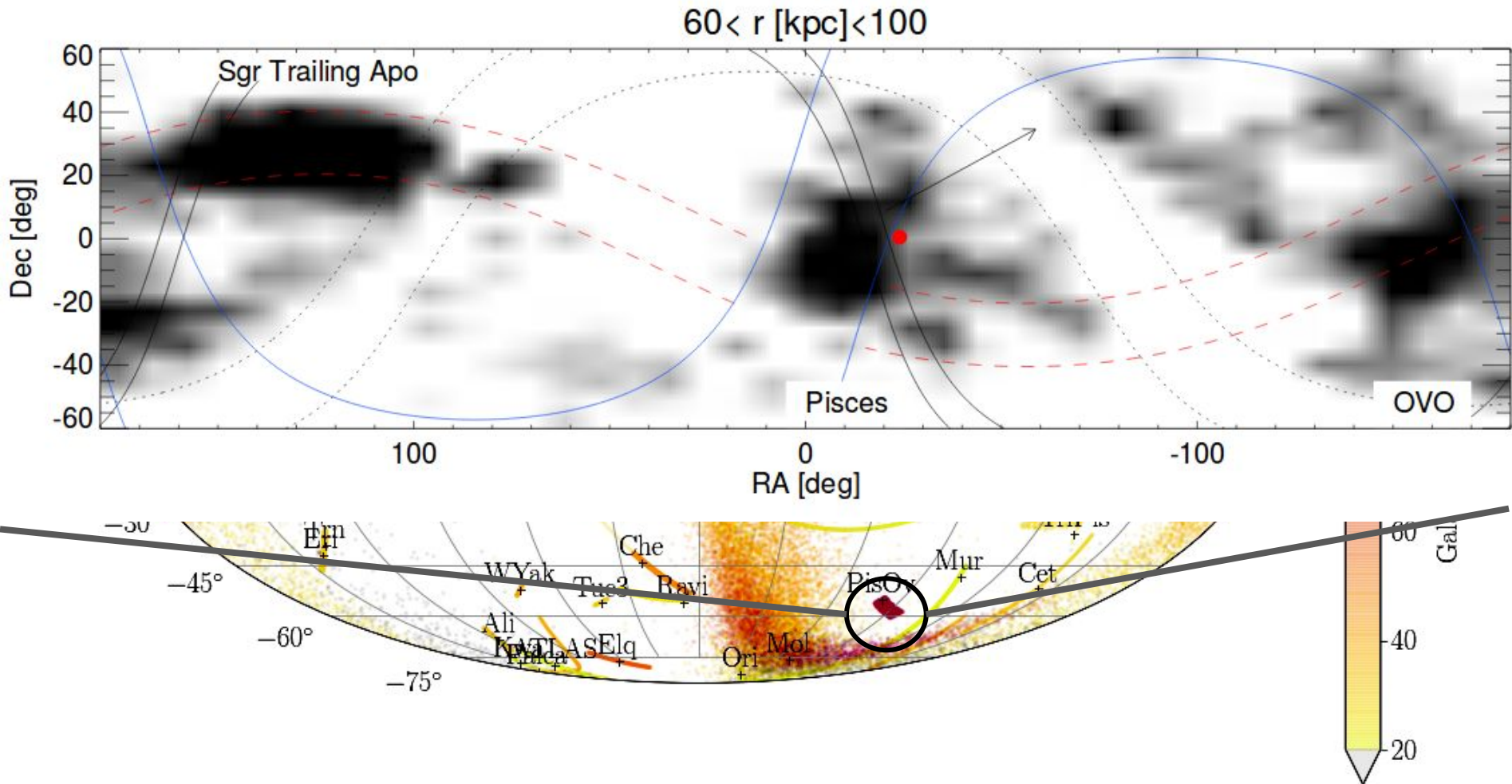
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# However, the MW's stellar halo is not smooth



# The Pisces Plume: An extended structure 60-100 kpc w/ LOS velocities consistent to those for the Wake.



**Belokurov, Deason +19.**

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- 2. How to distinguish the gravitational potential from the LMC, LMC DM debris and the Wake?**

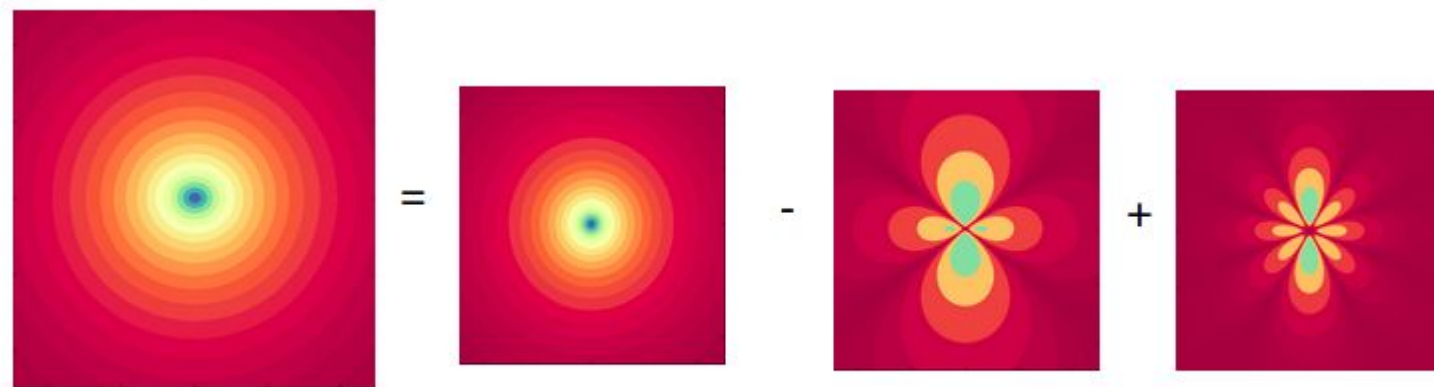
# Basis Field Expansions: An alternative method of gravity solvers

Sample the phase space by approximating density and potential function expansion rather than sampling it with particles as traditional N-body methods.

If the zeroth order term of the expansion is a good approximation of the DM halo, the expansion converge with low number of terms.

**Perfect tool to simulate the MW**

Clutton-Brock 73 (Plummer), Hernquist & Ostriker 92 (Hernquist), Lilley et al 2018a, 2018b (NFW, family of profiles), Weinberg, M 99 (Model free), **Applied to N-body snapshots Lowing + 11**

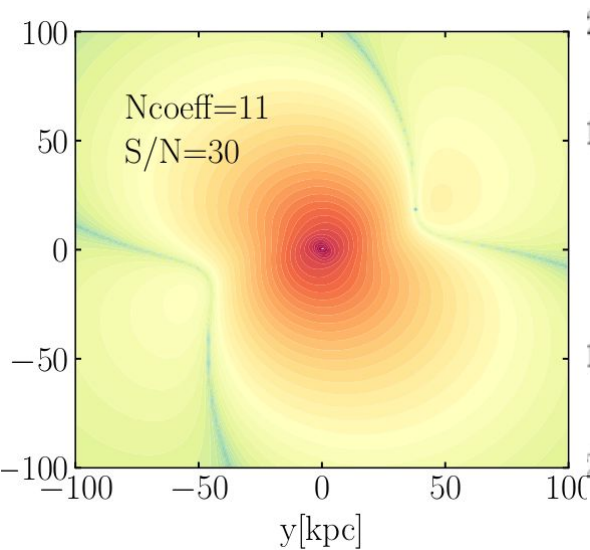


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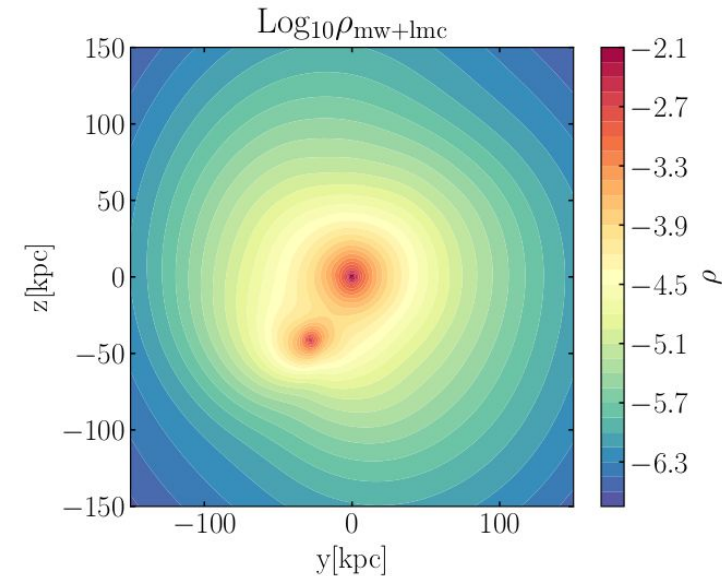
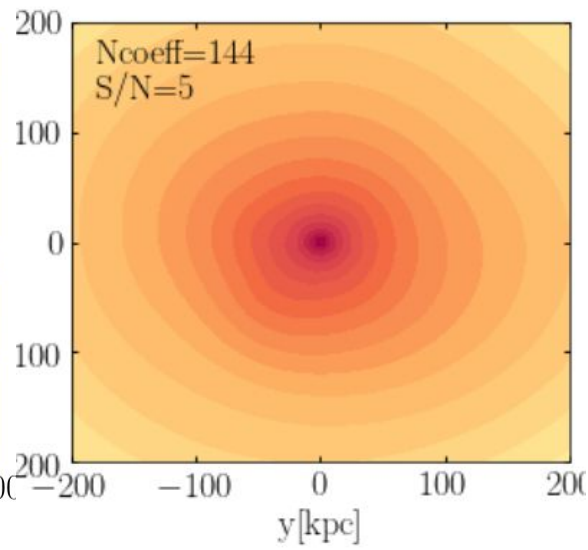
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# A BFE for the MW and LMC simulations.

1. BFE on bound particles of the LMC



2. BFE on MW + unbound particles of the LMC



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**~150 terms in the expansion to describe one snapshot of the simulation.  
Finding the terms that contribute to the expansion is not trivial  
(Weinberg 98).**

# Conclusions:

- DM Wakes are a prediction of CDM, yet not observed.
- The LMC is creating the largest and strongest DM wake in the MW and hence the most likely to be observed.
- Density enhancements up to  $\sim 50\%$  are expected in the stellar halo.
- Stars surrounding the Wake are moving either towards or outwards the Wake.
- BFE are a powerful tool to decompose the gravitational potential of the MW, the LMC, and the Wake. Also, to simulate known substructure in the stellar halo.