

Measuring the MW's gravity without dynamical models

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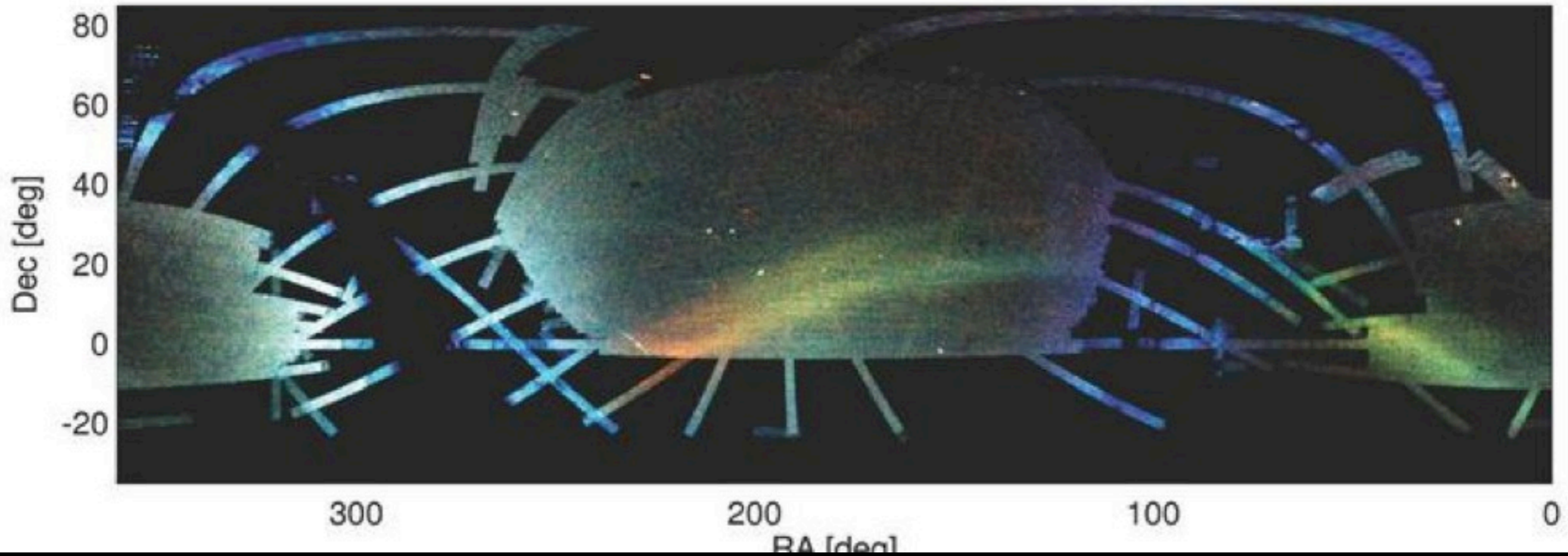
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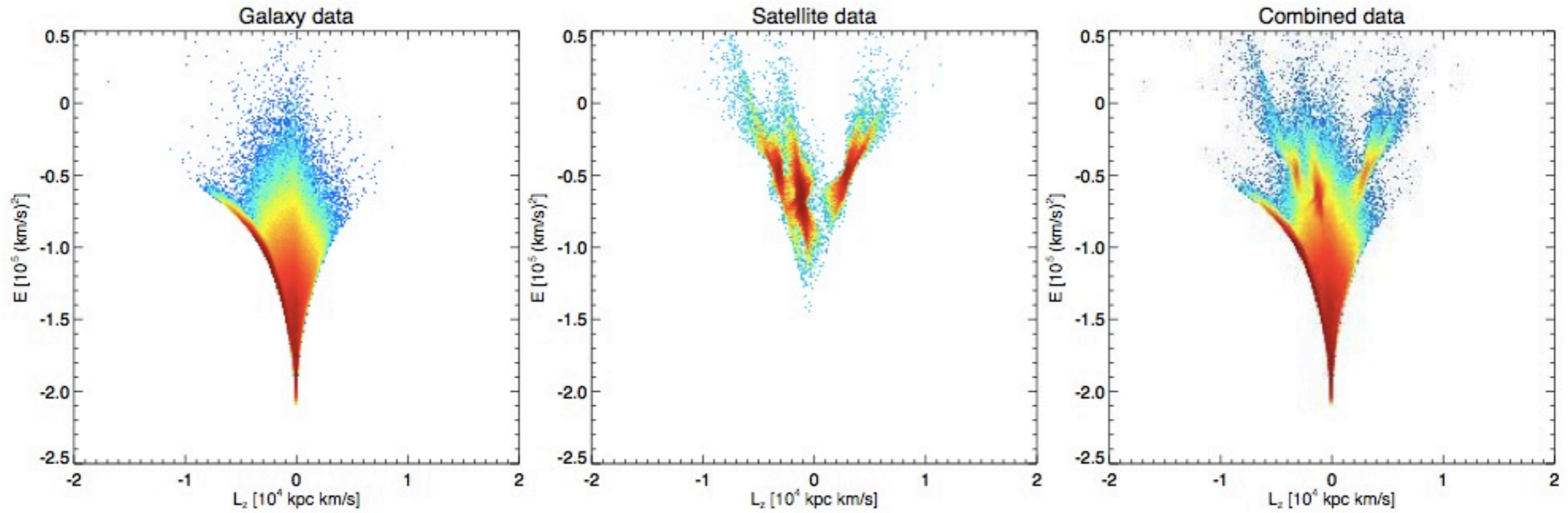
measure potential and test Gravity simultaneously *without* solving the eqs. of motion

Tidal streams!



Belokurov + 06

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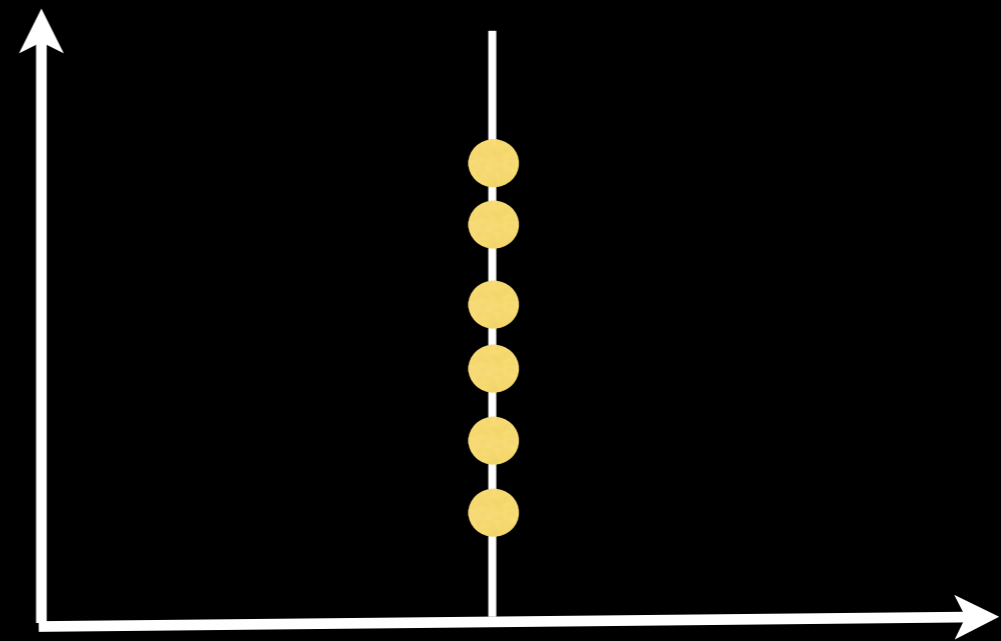
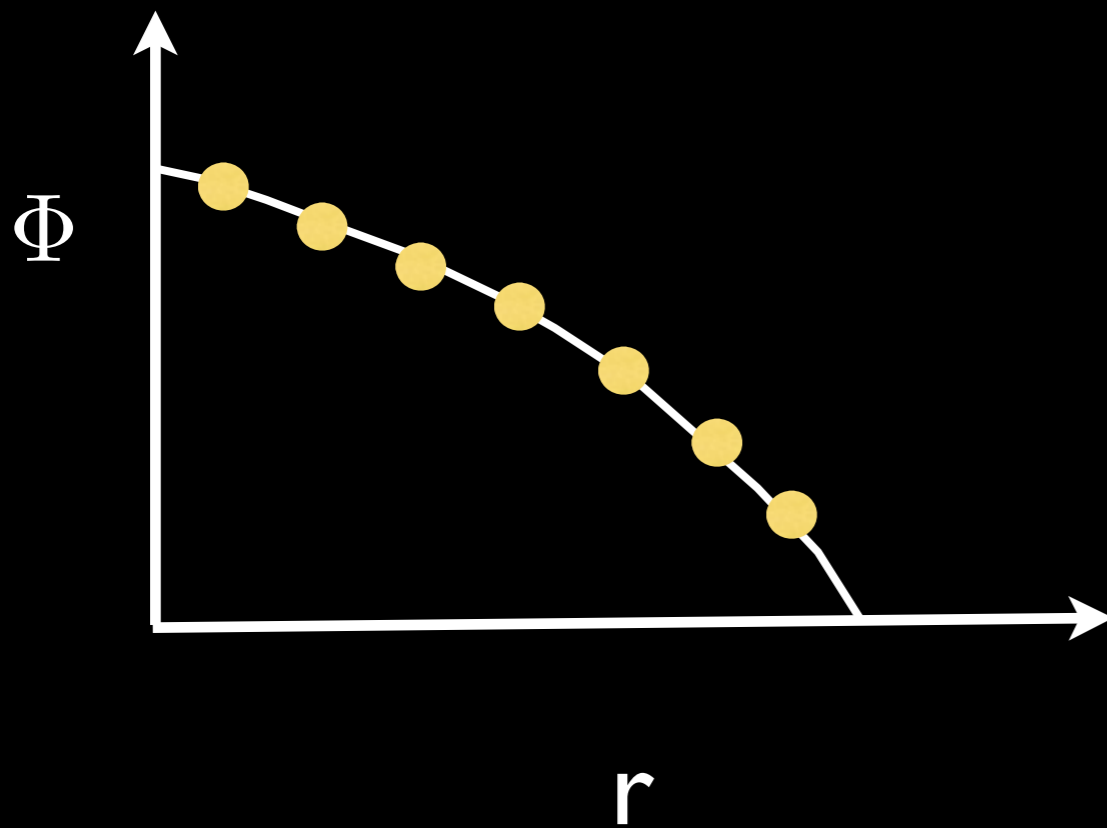
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Peñarrubia, Kopolov & Walker (2012)

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Delta function

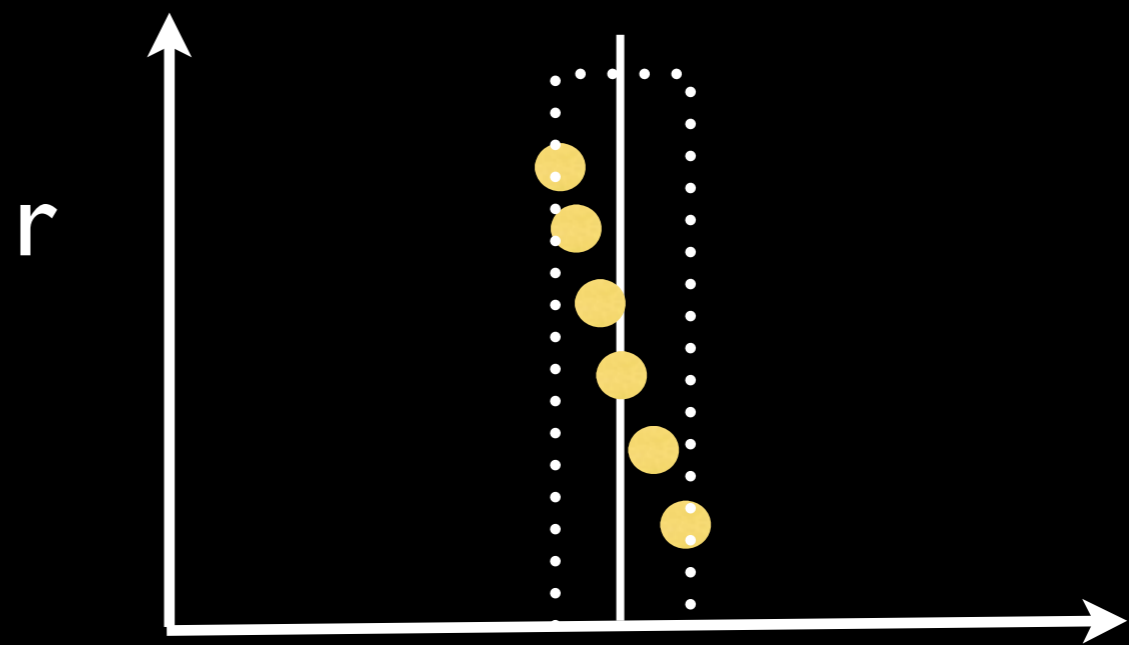
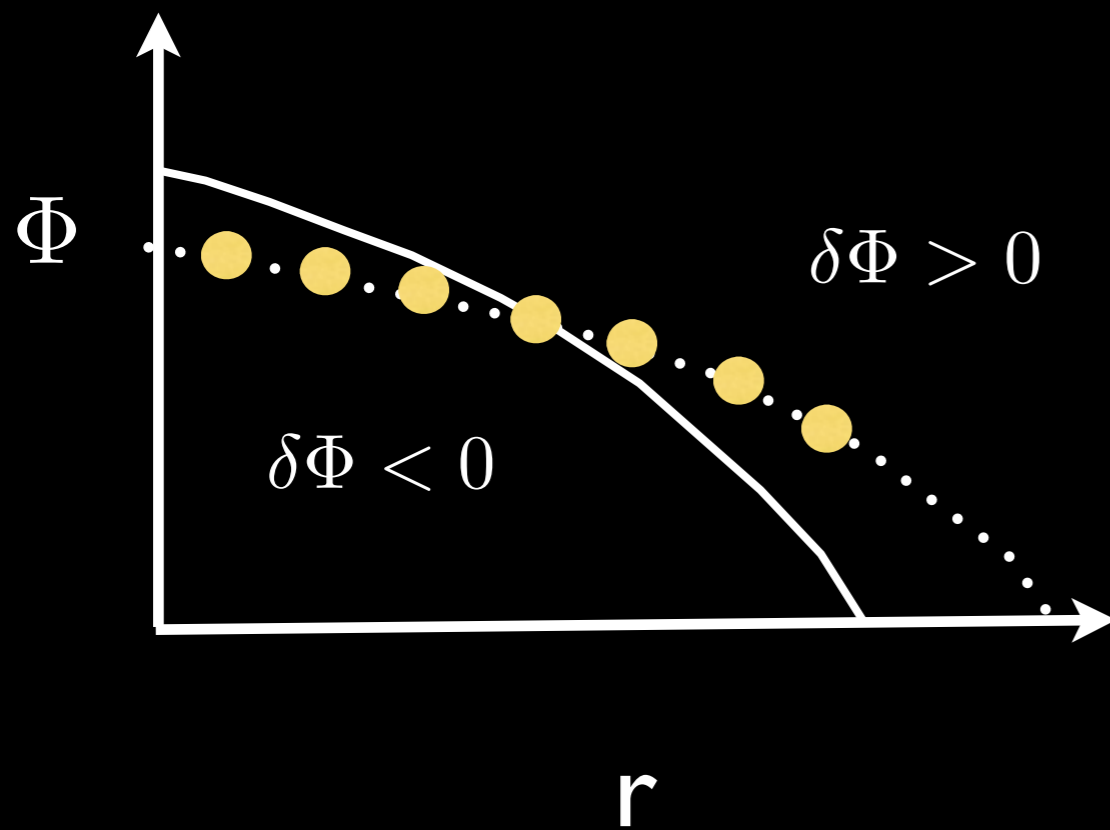


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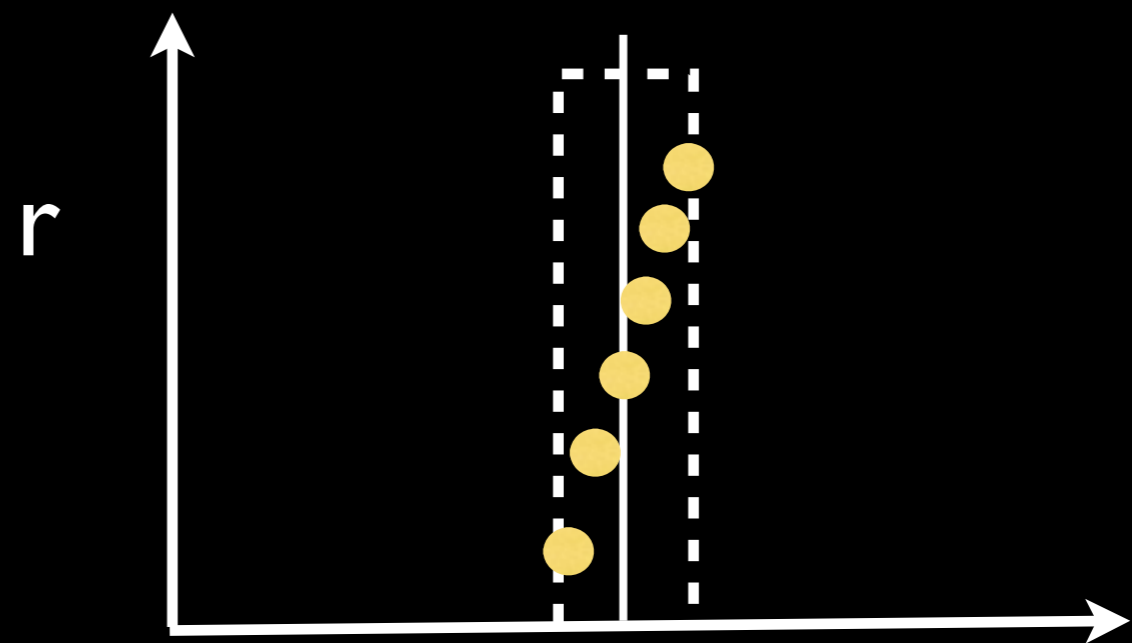
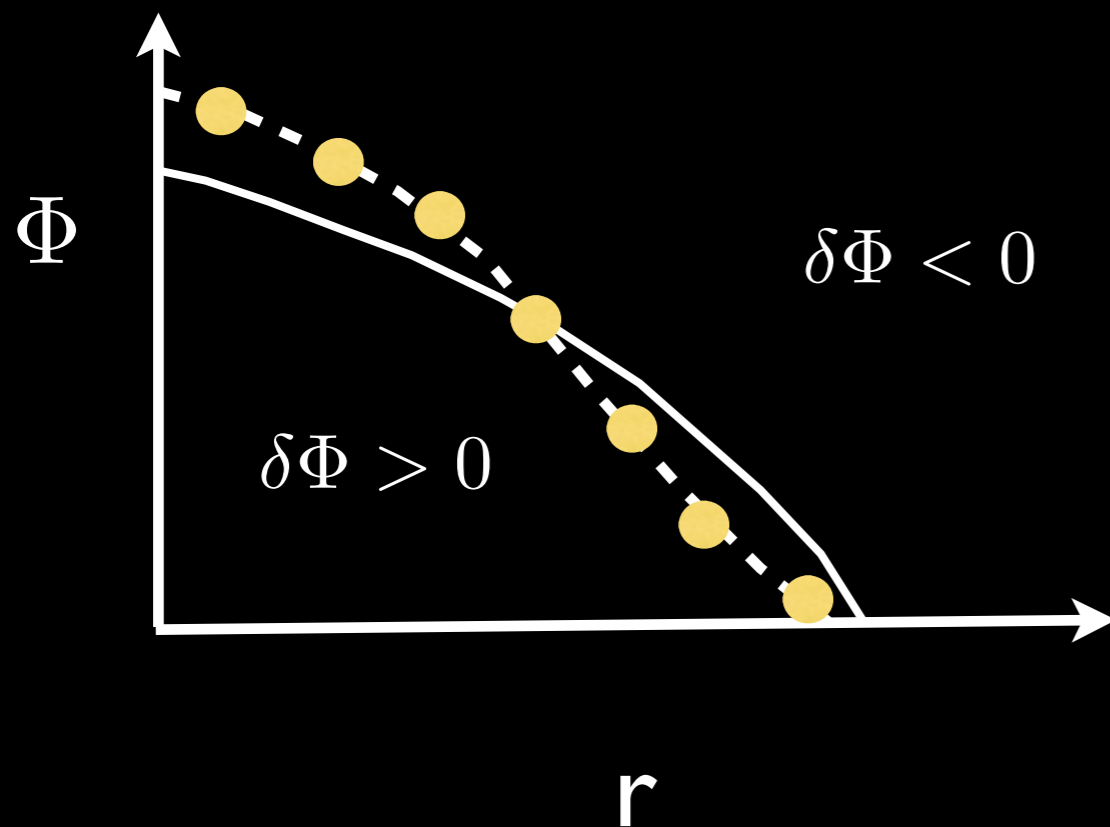
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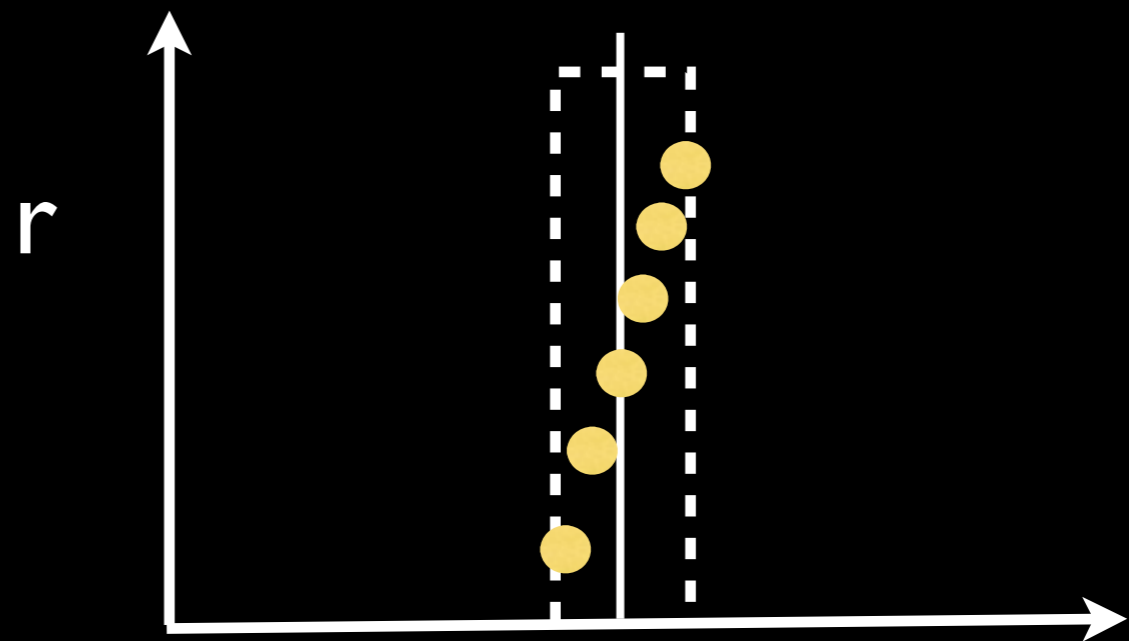
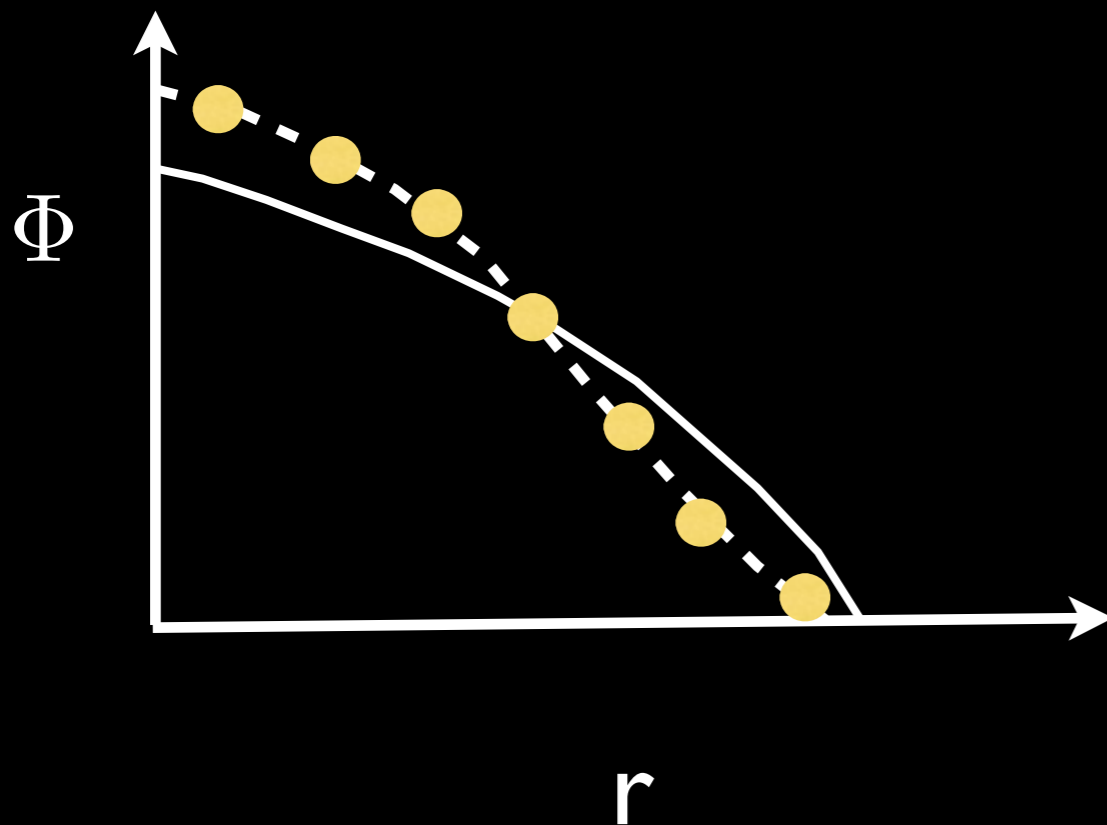
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$$H \equiv - \int f(E) \ln f(E) dE = 0$$

$$\tilde{f}(E) \rightarrow \Delta H > 0$$



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“Biases in the calculus of orbital energy yields and **increase** in the entropy of the energy distribution”

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$$\varepsilon = -E + \Phi_\infty$$

Relative energy

$$\tilde{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{r}) = \varepsilon(\mathbf{r}) + \delta\Phi(\mathbf{r})$$

Energy Bias

$$\tilde{f}(\varepsilon, \mathbf{r}) = f[\varepsilon - \delta\Phi(\mathbf{r}), \mathbf{r}] = f[\varepsilon - \delta\Phi(\mathbf{r})]g(\mathbf{r})$$

Separability condition

Measured energy distribution:

$$\tilde{f}(\varepsilon) = \int f(\varepsilon - \delta\Phi(\mathbf{r}))g(\mathbf{r})d^3\mathbf{r} \approx$$

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$$1) \int d\varepsilon f'(1 + \ln f) = (f \ln f)_{\Phi_0}^{\Phi_\infty} = 0,$$

$$2) \int d\varepsilon f''(1 + \ln f) = - \int d\varepsilon f \left[\frac{f'}{f} \right]^2.$$

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- Entropy increases for $\delta\Phi = \delta\Phi(\mathbf{r}) \neq 0$
- Adding a constant value to the potential does not yield an increase in entropy
- Changes in entropy will be stronger for “cold” distributions

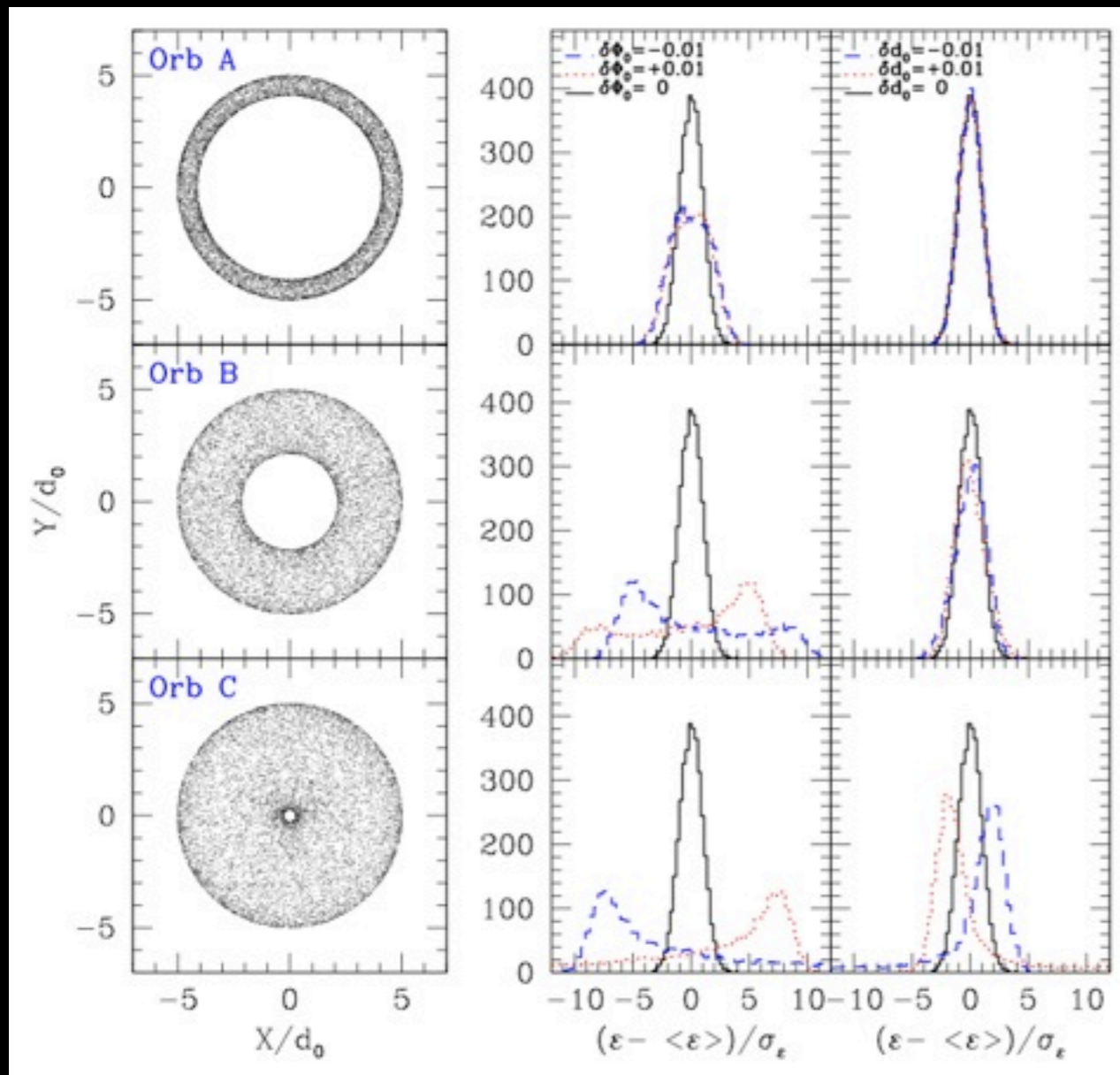
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$$f(\varepsilon) = 1/\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_\varepsilon^2} \exp[-(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{\text{orb}})^2/(2\sigma_\varepsilon^2)]$$

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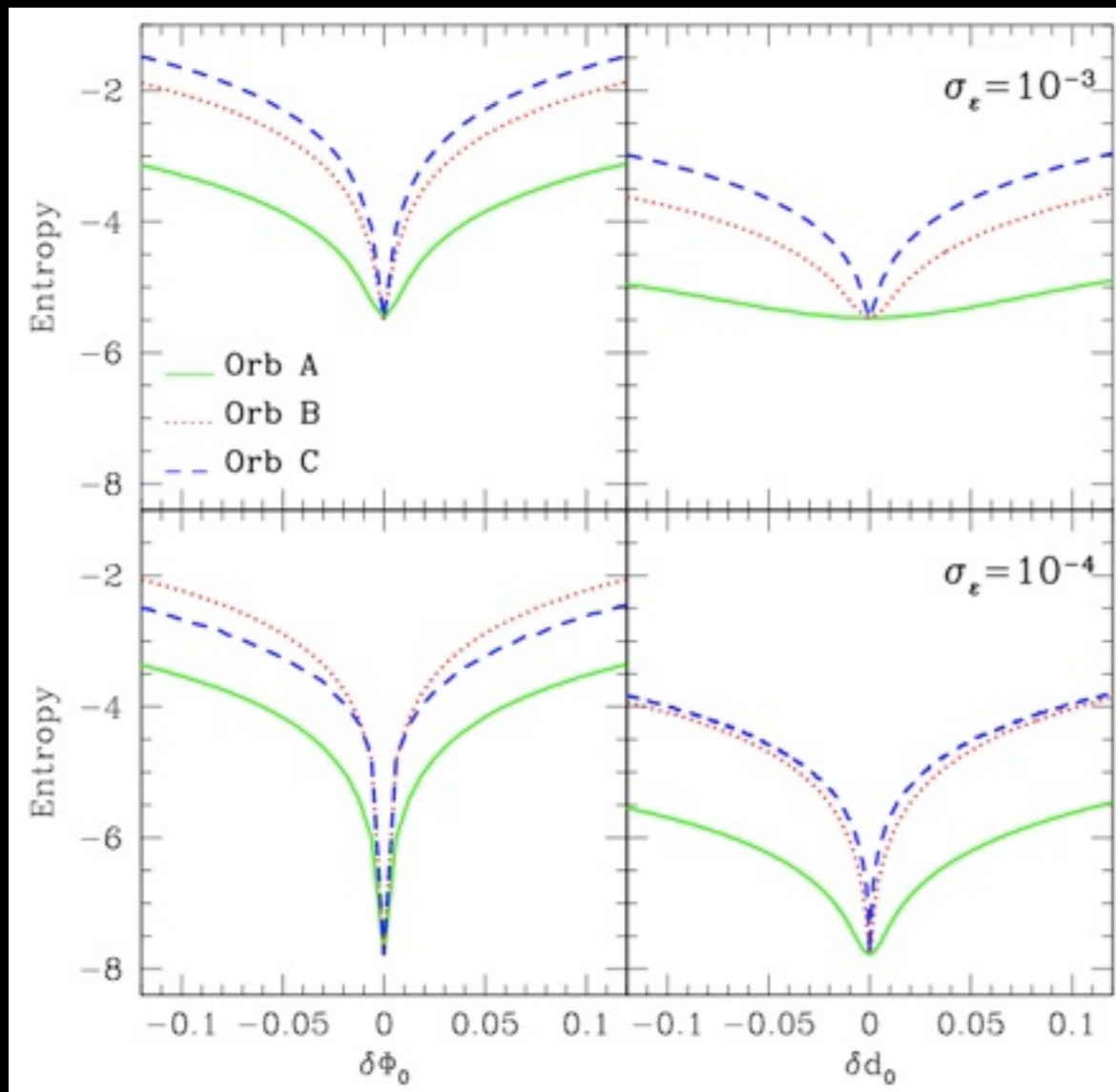
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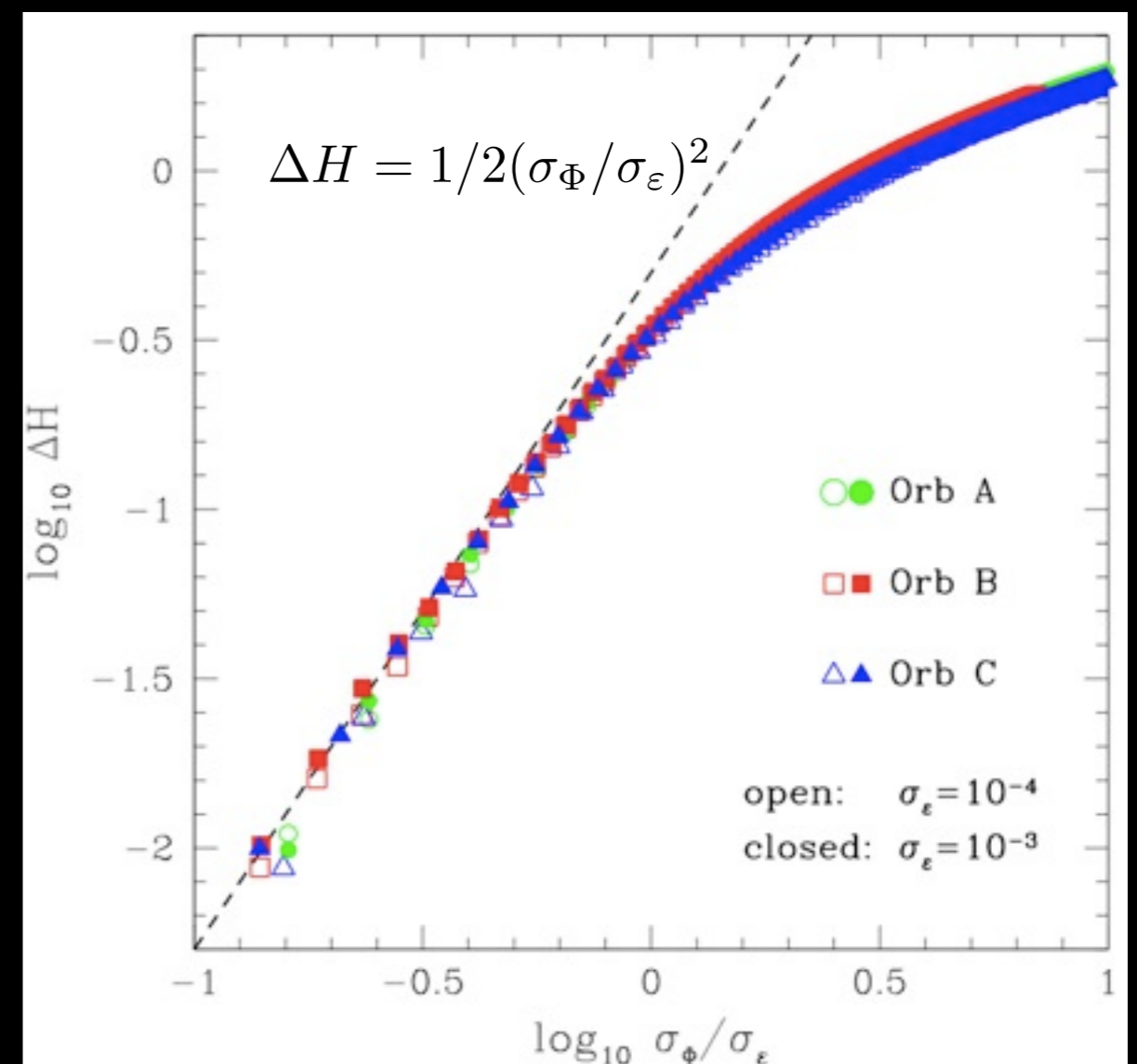
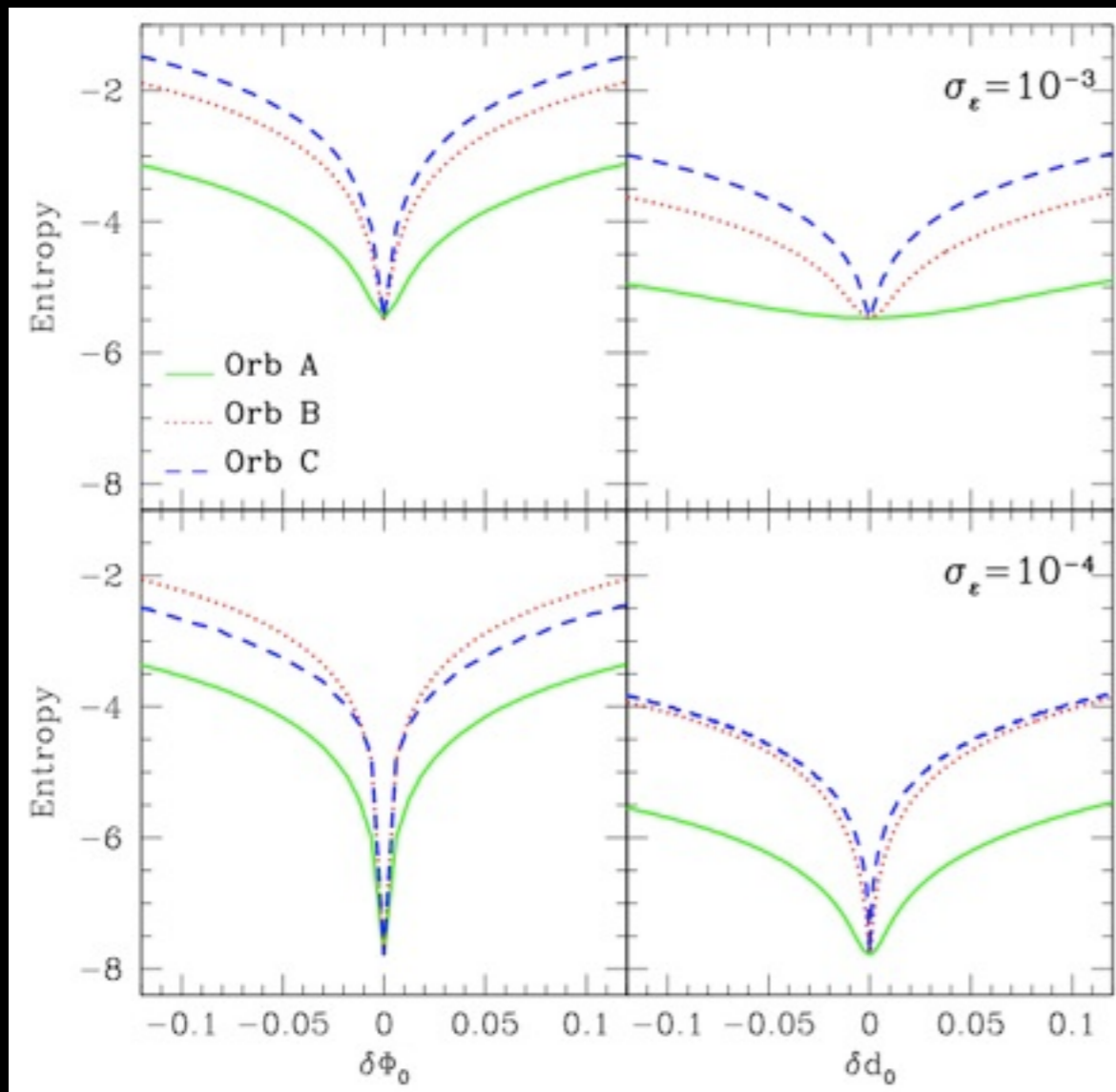
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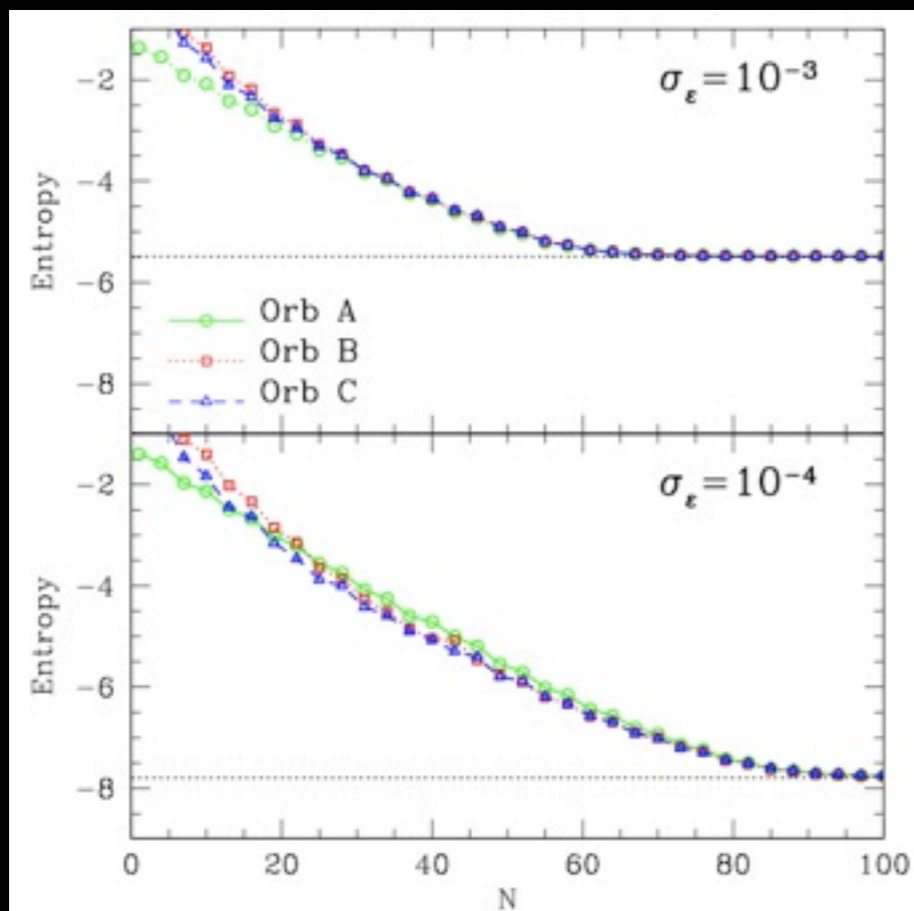
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Entropy can be used to distinguish between different potential parametrizations

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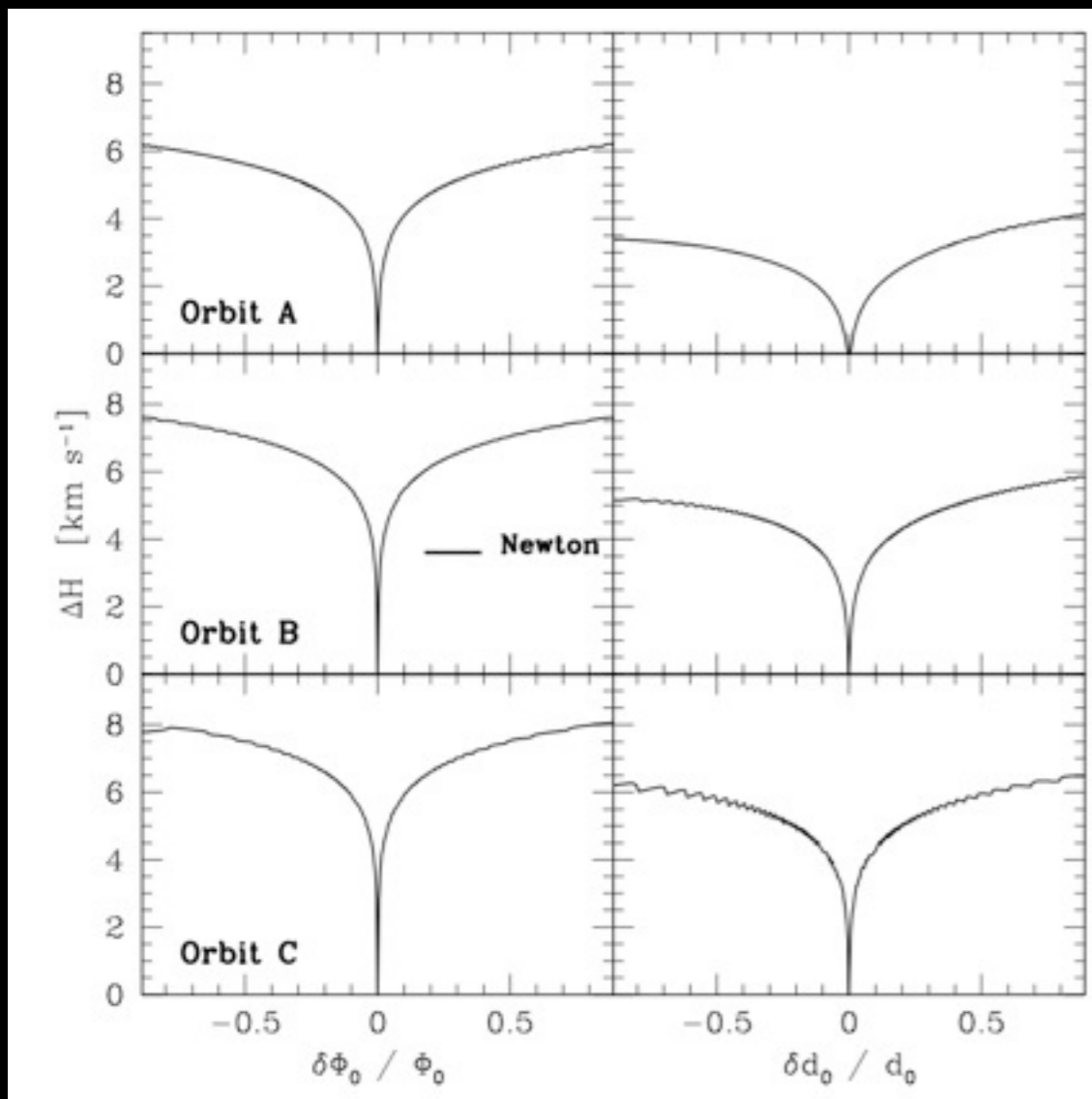
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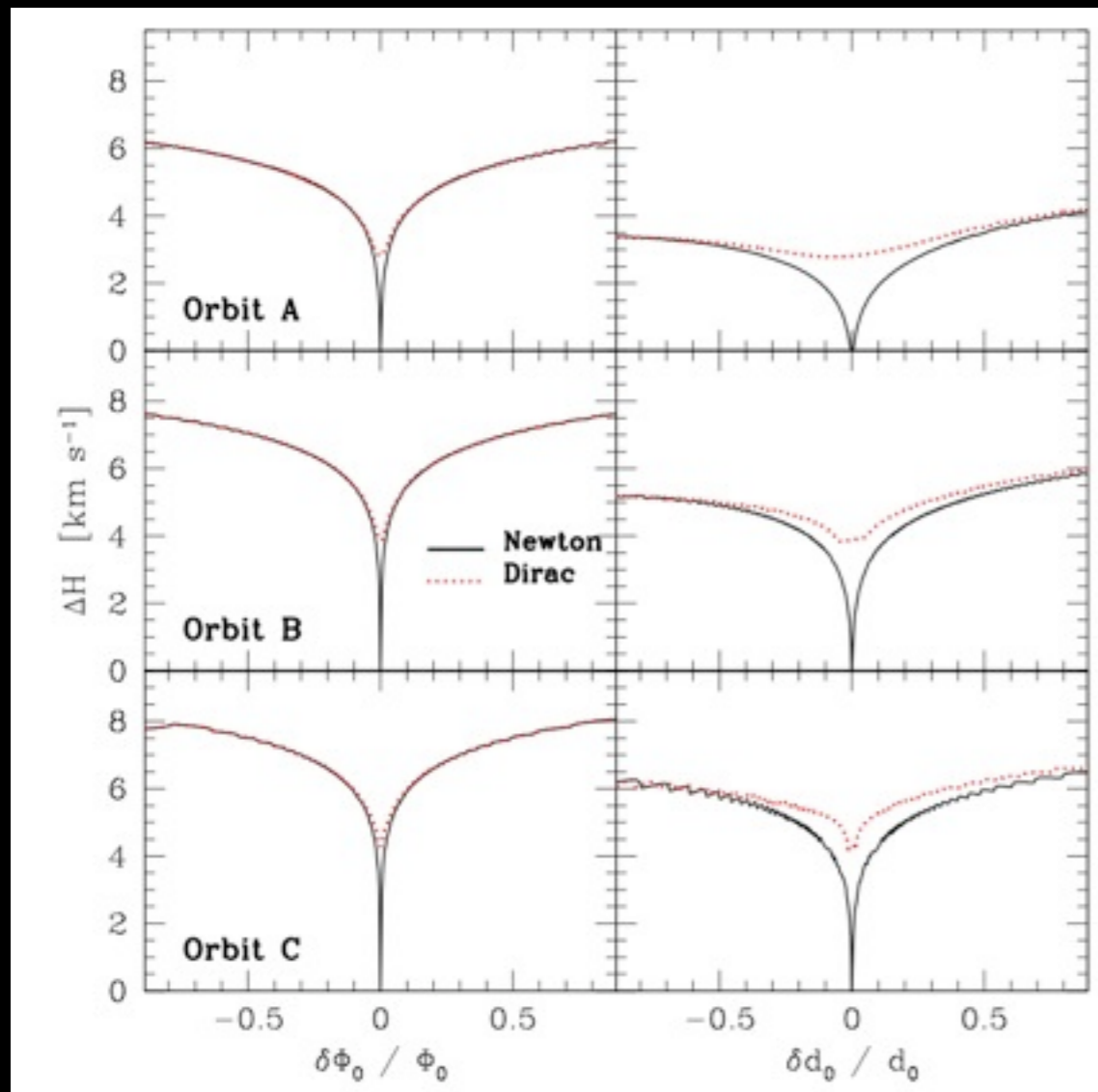
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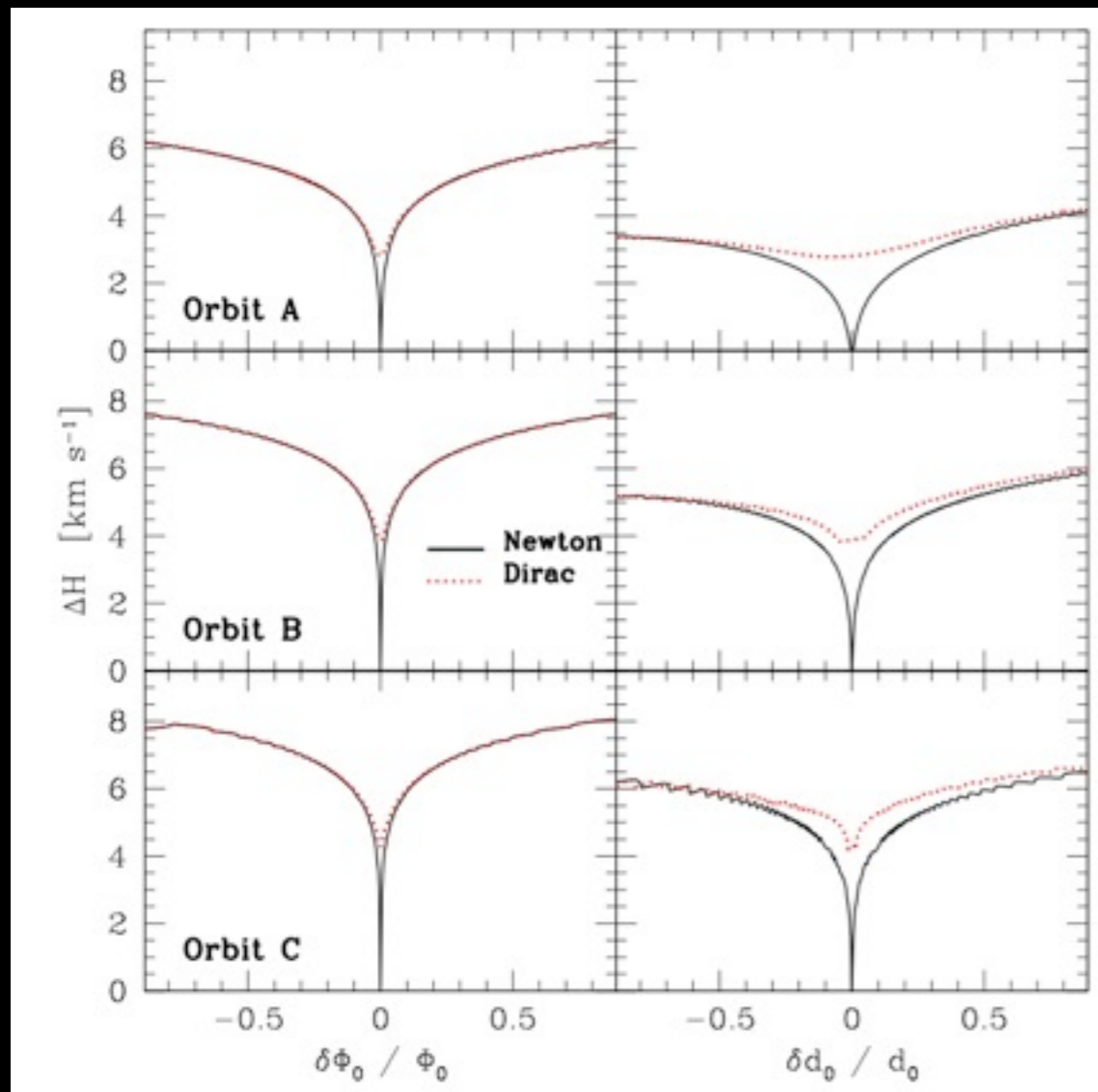
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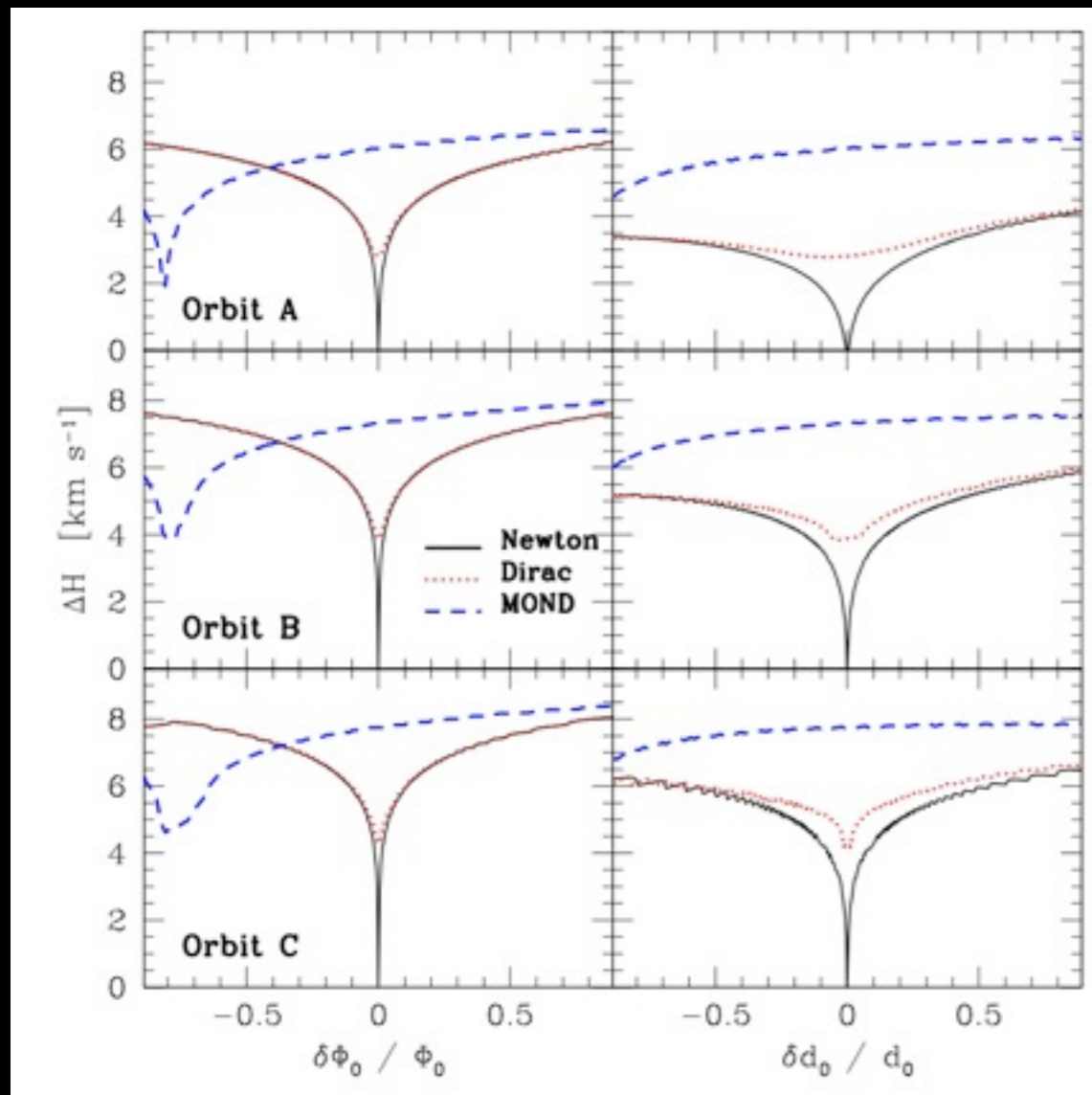
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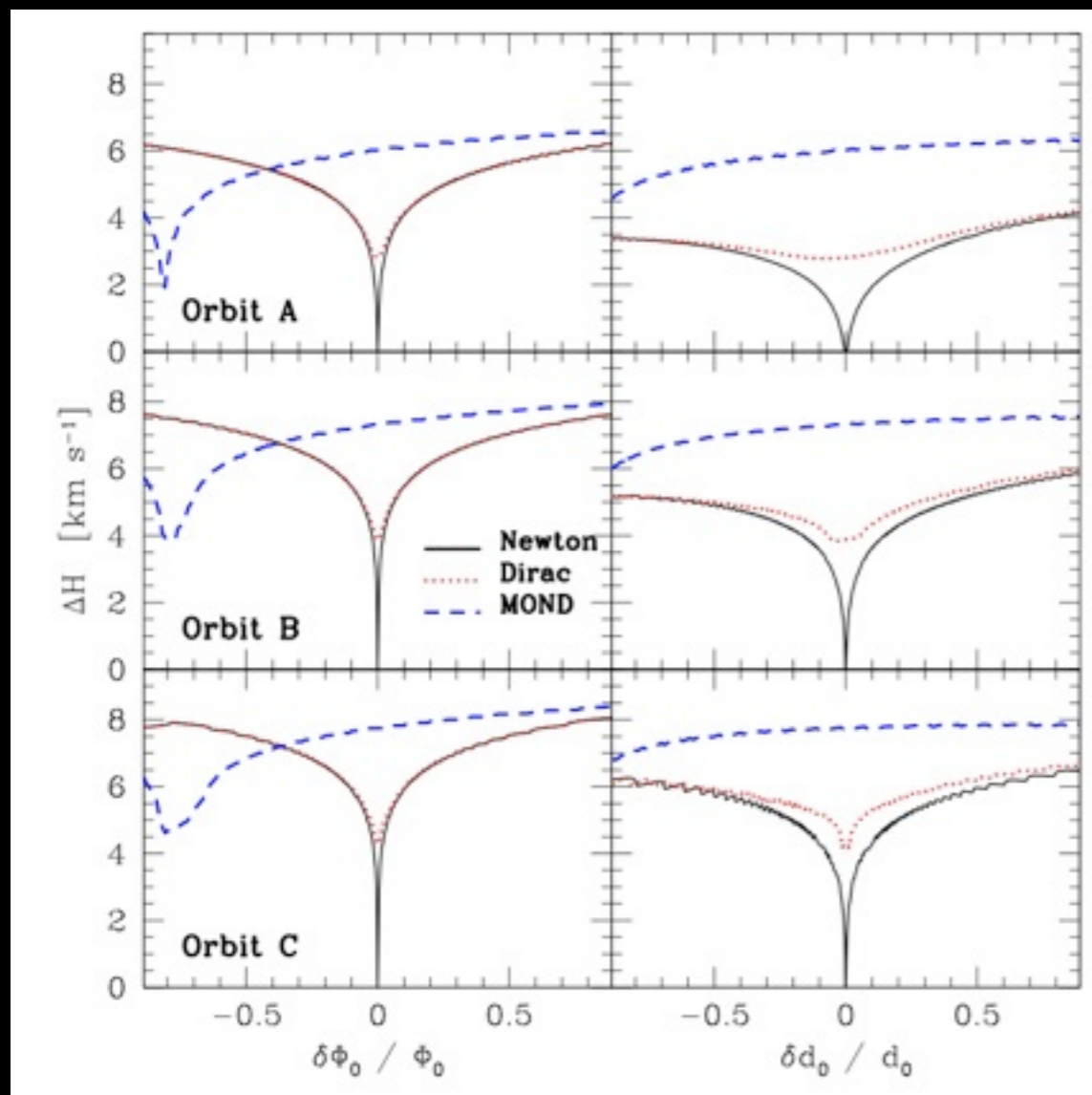
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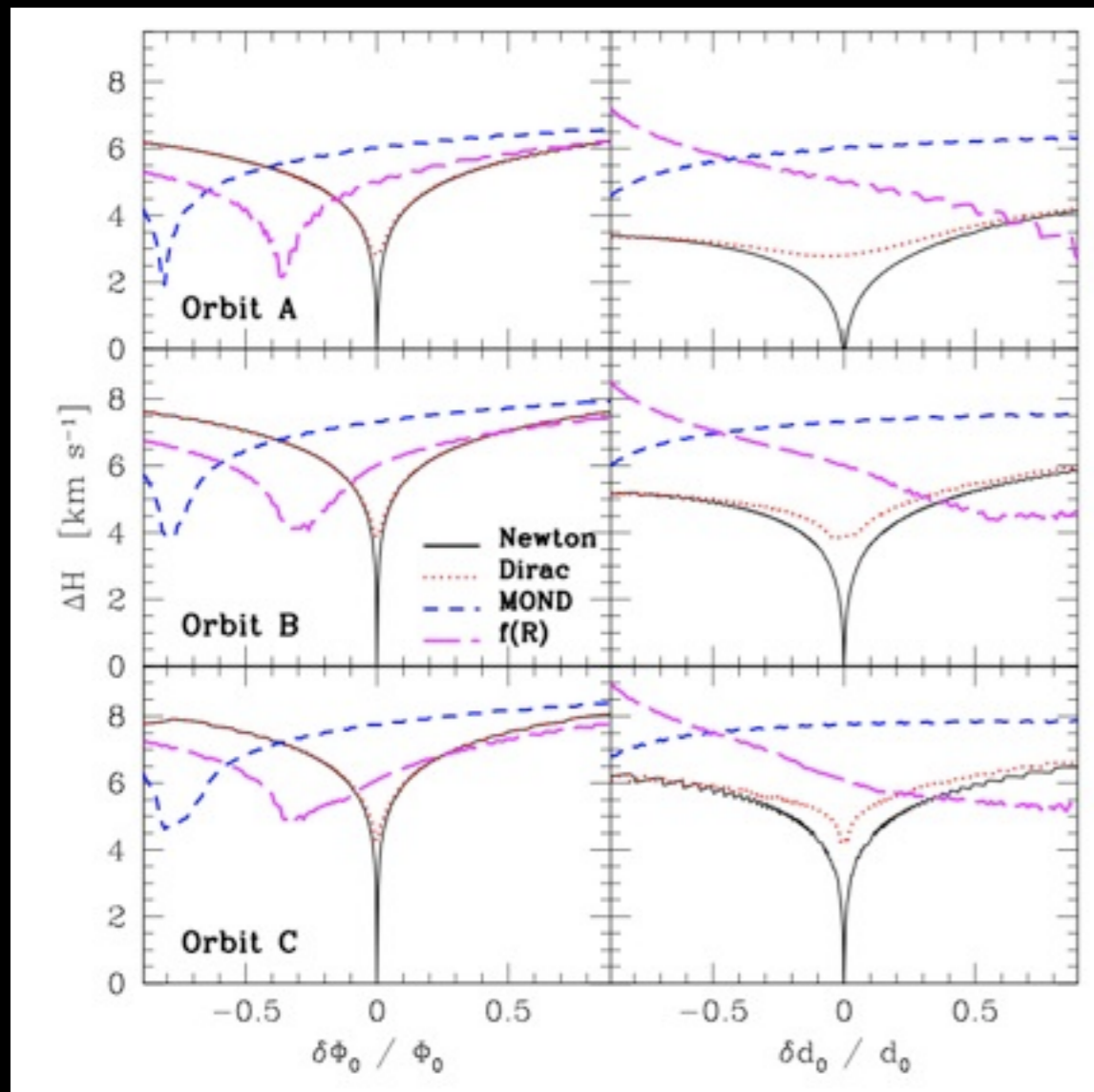
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The Minimum Entropy Method

1. Phase-space catalogue: $\{X, Y, Z, V_x, V_y, V_z\}_i ; i=1, 2, \dots, N^*$
2. *Identify clumps in integrals-of-motion space* (Luis' talk!)
3. Calculate $E_i = 1/2(V_x^2 + V_y^2 + V_z^2)_i + \Phi(X_i, Y_i, Z_i)$
4. Calculate $f(E), H$
5. Look for Φ that minimizes H
6. Repeat for alternative gravity theories

Summary

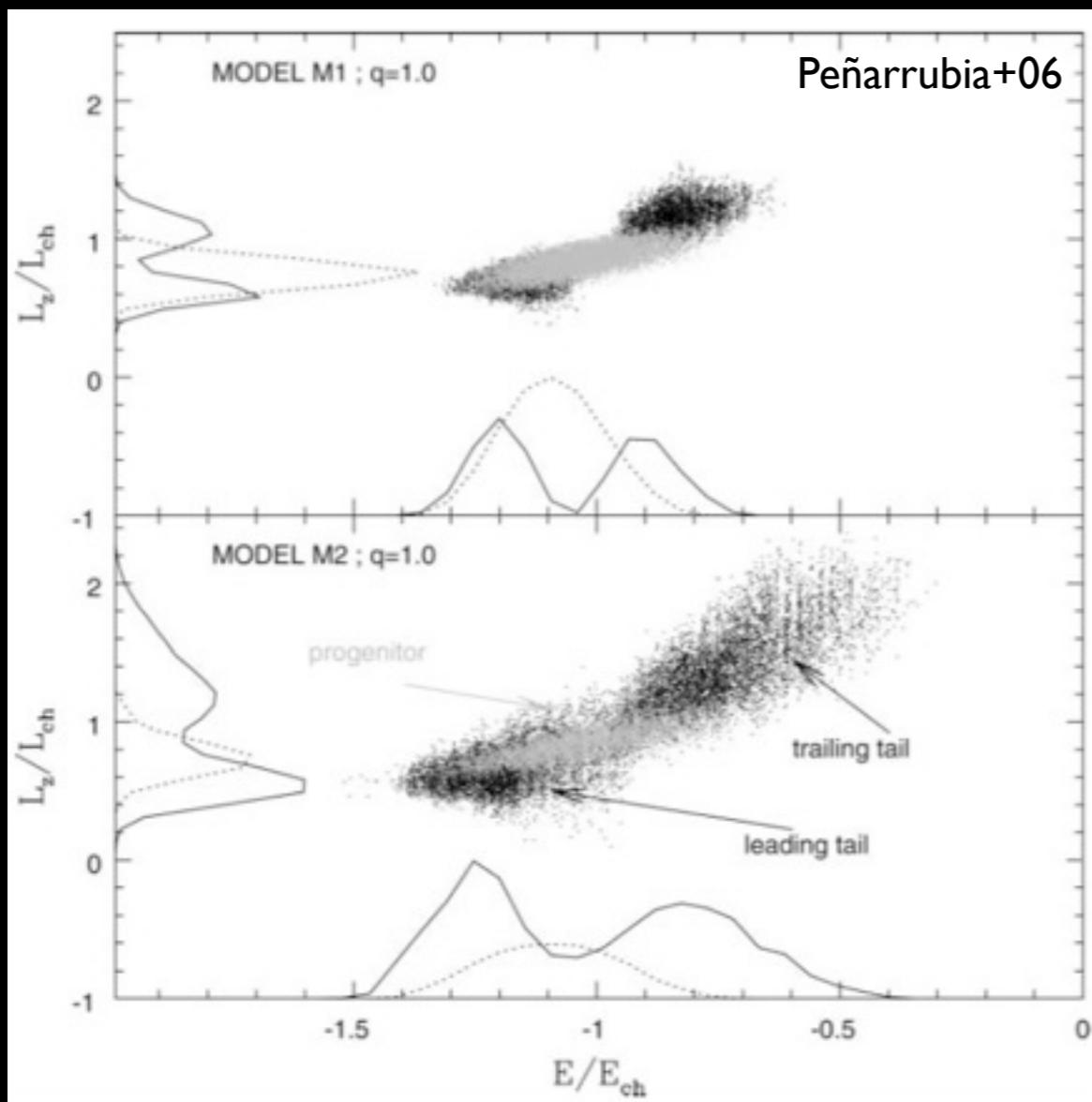
- **“The true Milky Way potential is that that minimizes the entropy measured for stellar systems with separable energy distributions”**
- **Best targets: Tidal debris of satellites/clusters with low dynamical masses**
- **Future work: Gaia errors? MW background?**

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Is the energy distribution of tidal debris separable?



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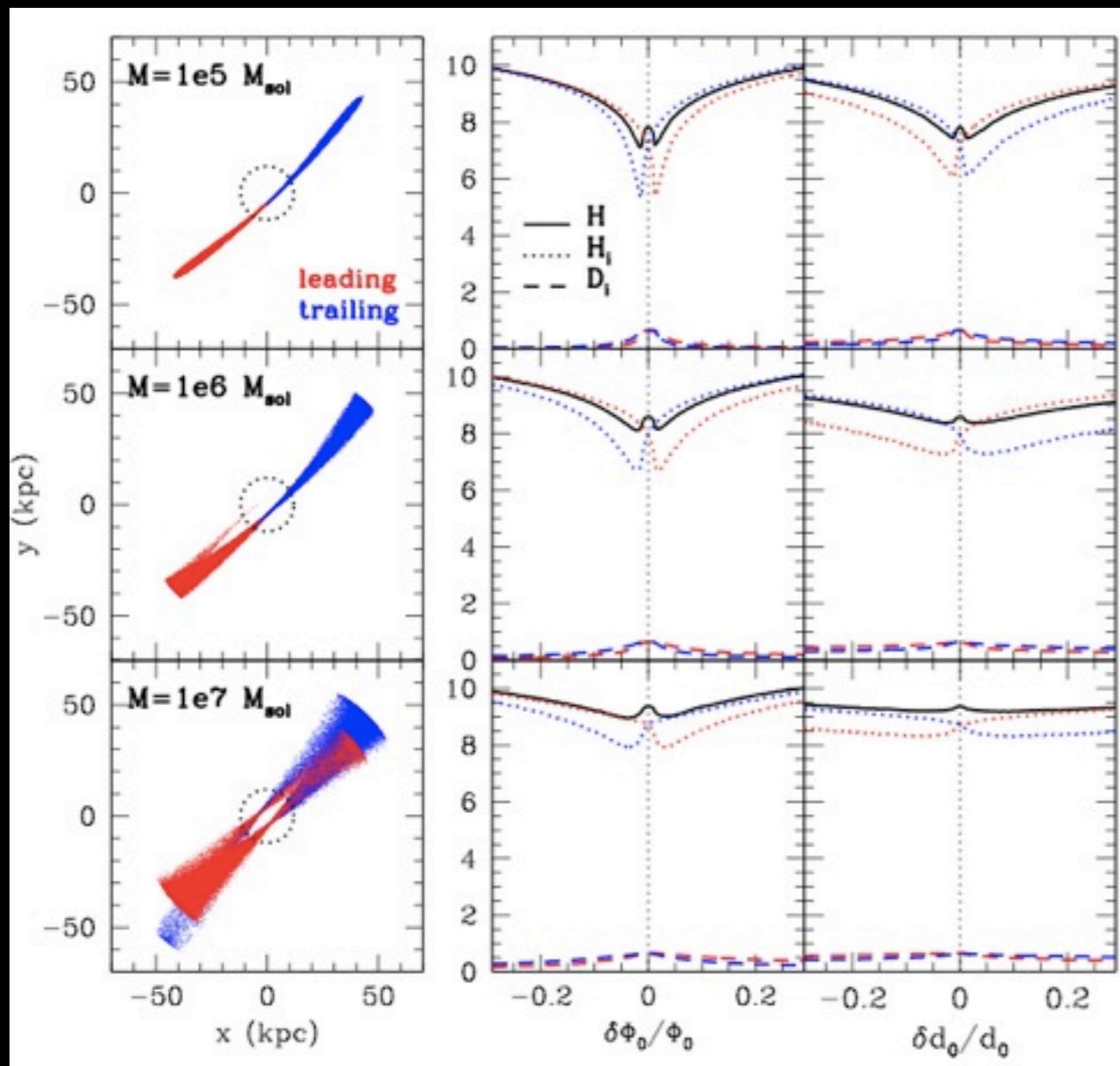
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maximum if $\delta\Phi=0$

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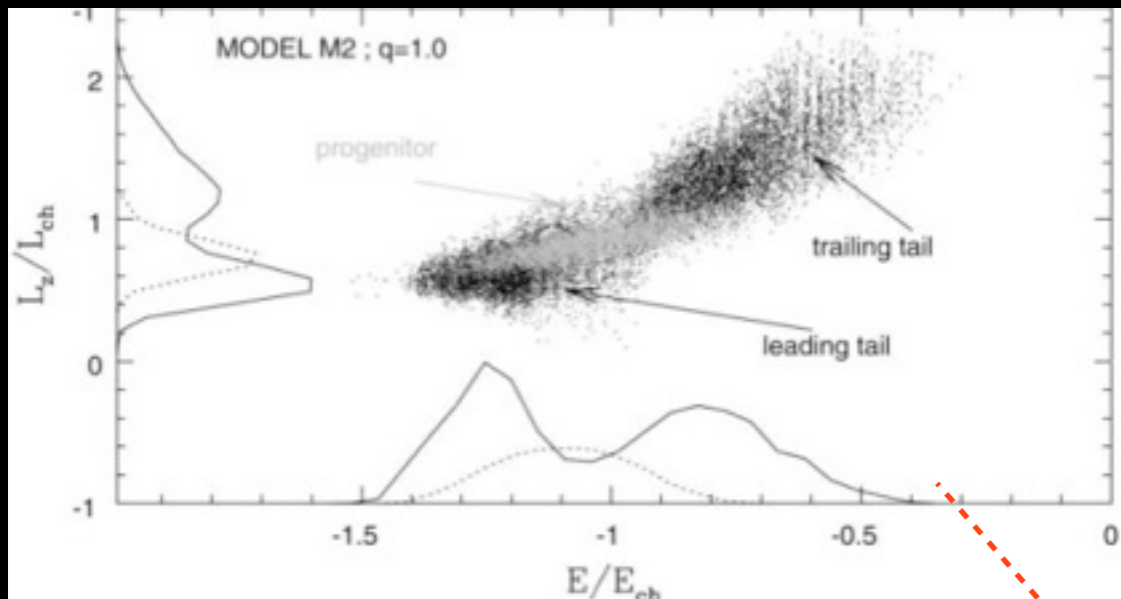
$$\langle H \rangle'_l = \langle D \rangle'_l = 0$$

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“Modeling Tidal Streams in Evolving Dark Matter Halos”



$t=t_{\text{now}}$

