

(No) Correlation between the Spins of Galaxies and Host Halos

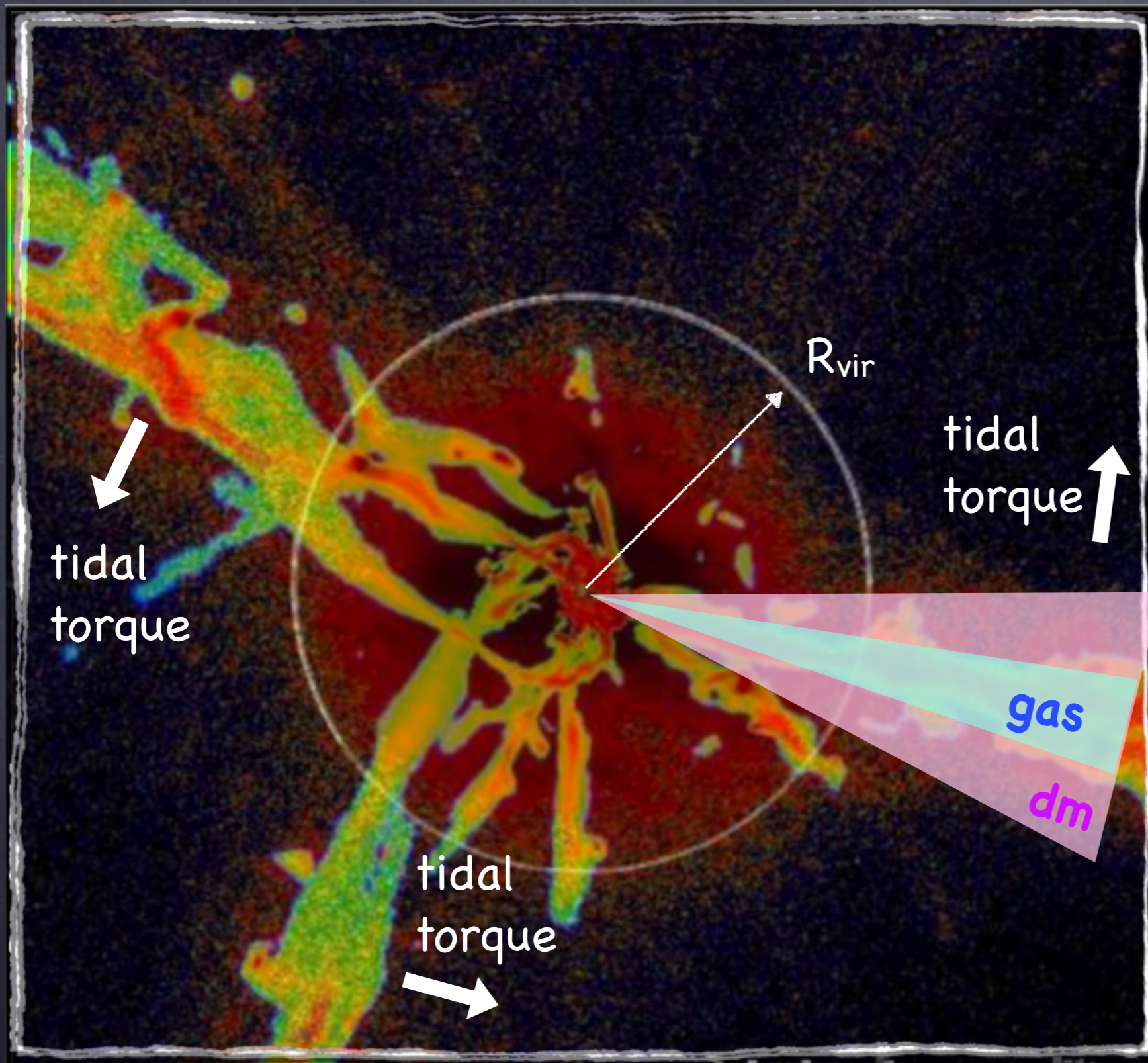
— Do galaxy sizes care about halo spin at all?

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see also **Andreas' talk**

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$$\dot{j}_{\text{gas}} \simeq \dot{j}_{\text{dm}}$$

Danovich+15 cold gas and DM maps co-added

background:

- long-standing assumption (Fall & Efstathiou80) in SAMs:

$$j_{gal} \simeq j_{halo}$$

- useful in predicting (disk) galaxy sizes R_g

$$j_g \simeq R_g V_{rot} \implies R_g \simeq \frac{j_g}{j_h} \frac{j_h}{R_{vir} V_{vir}} \frac{V_{vir}}{V_{rot}} R_{vir} \simeq \lambda_h R_{vir}$$

$V_{rot} \simeq V_{circ} \simeq V_{vir}$

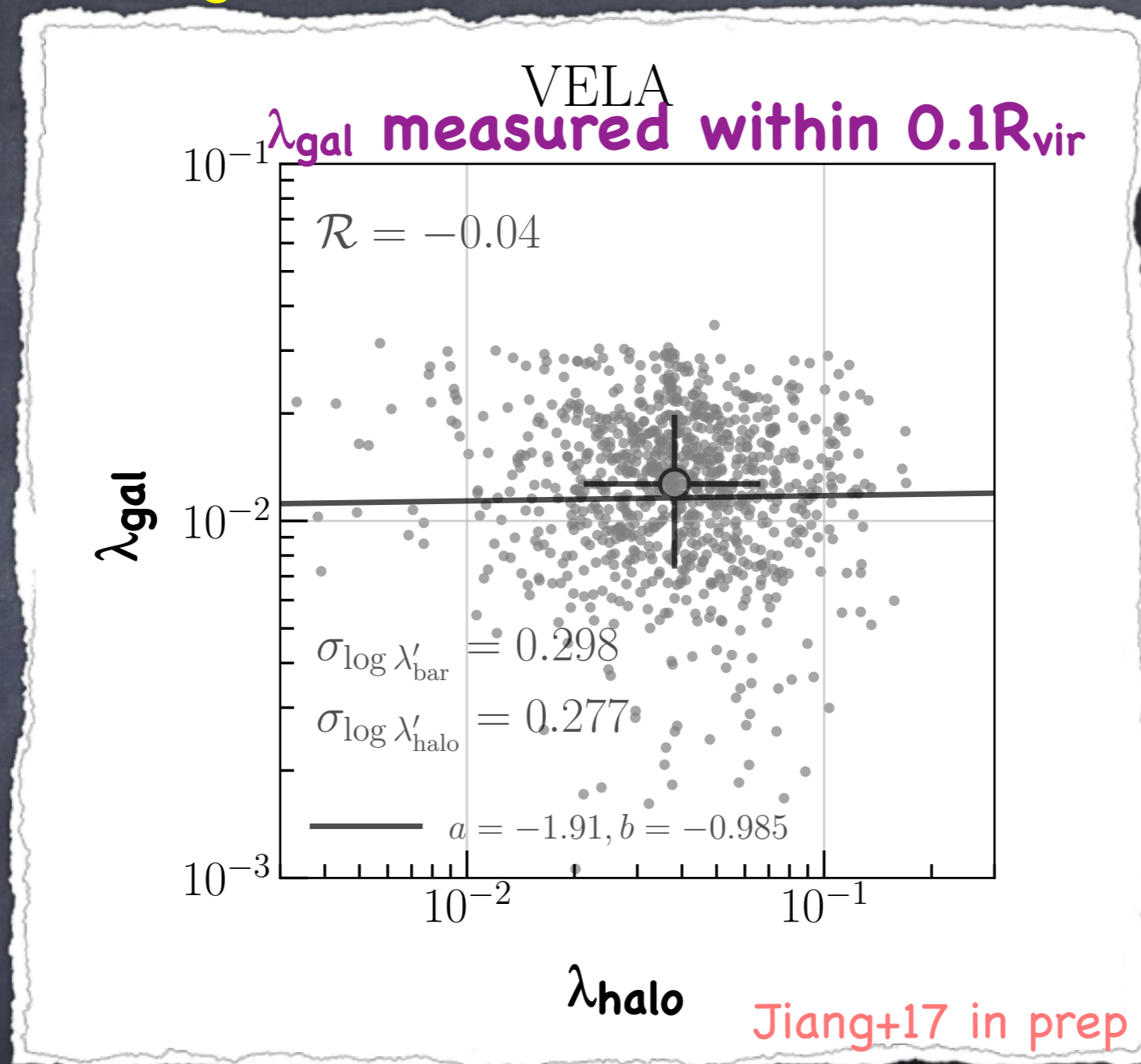
- evidence: 1) λ_g and λ_h ($\lambda_x \equiv j_x / \sqrt{2} R_{vir} V_{vir}$ (Bullock+01)) follow similar log-normal distributions (Burkert+16); 2) $P(0.5 \lambda_h R_{vir} | M_{star})$ agrees with observed R_e distribution (Somerville+17)

test $\lambda_g \stackrel{?}{\simeq} \lambda_h$ using zoom-in hydro simulations

- **VELA**: 34 gals, $z \geq 1$ (bracketing Milky Way if run to $z=0$), ART, $m_{cell} \approx 8.3 \times 10^4 M_{sun}$ (dm), $10^3 M_{sun}$ (gas), $\epsilon_{cell} \approx 25 pc$

- **NIHAO**: 13 Milky-Way-size gals, run to $z=0$, GASOLINE, $m_p \approx 1.7 \times 10^6 M_{sun}$ (dm), $3.2 \times 10^5 M_{sun}$ (gas), $\epsilon \approx 400 pc$, much higher density threshold for SF and much stronger fdbk than VELA

λ_{gal} - λ_{halo} correlation

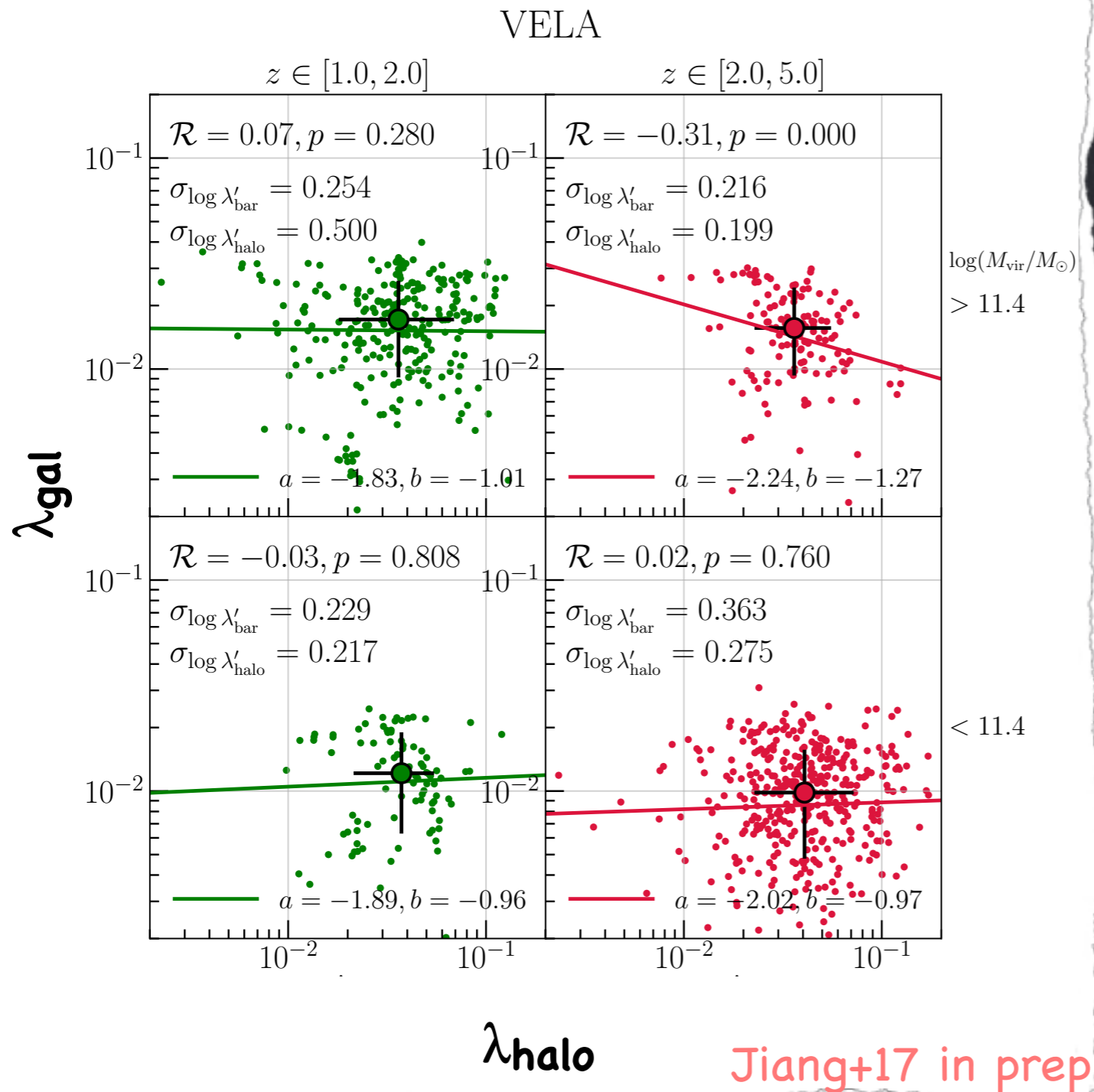


see also Teklu+15

regression line: $\log \lambda_g = a + (1 + b) \log \lambda_h$

At $z \geq 1$, no correlation between λ_g and λ_h ($b \approx -1$)

λ_{gal} - λ_{halo} correlation



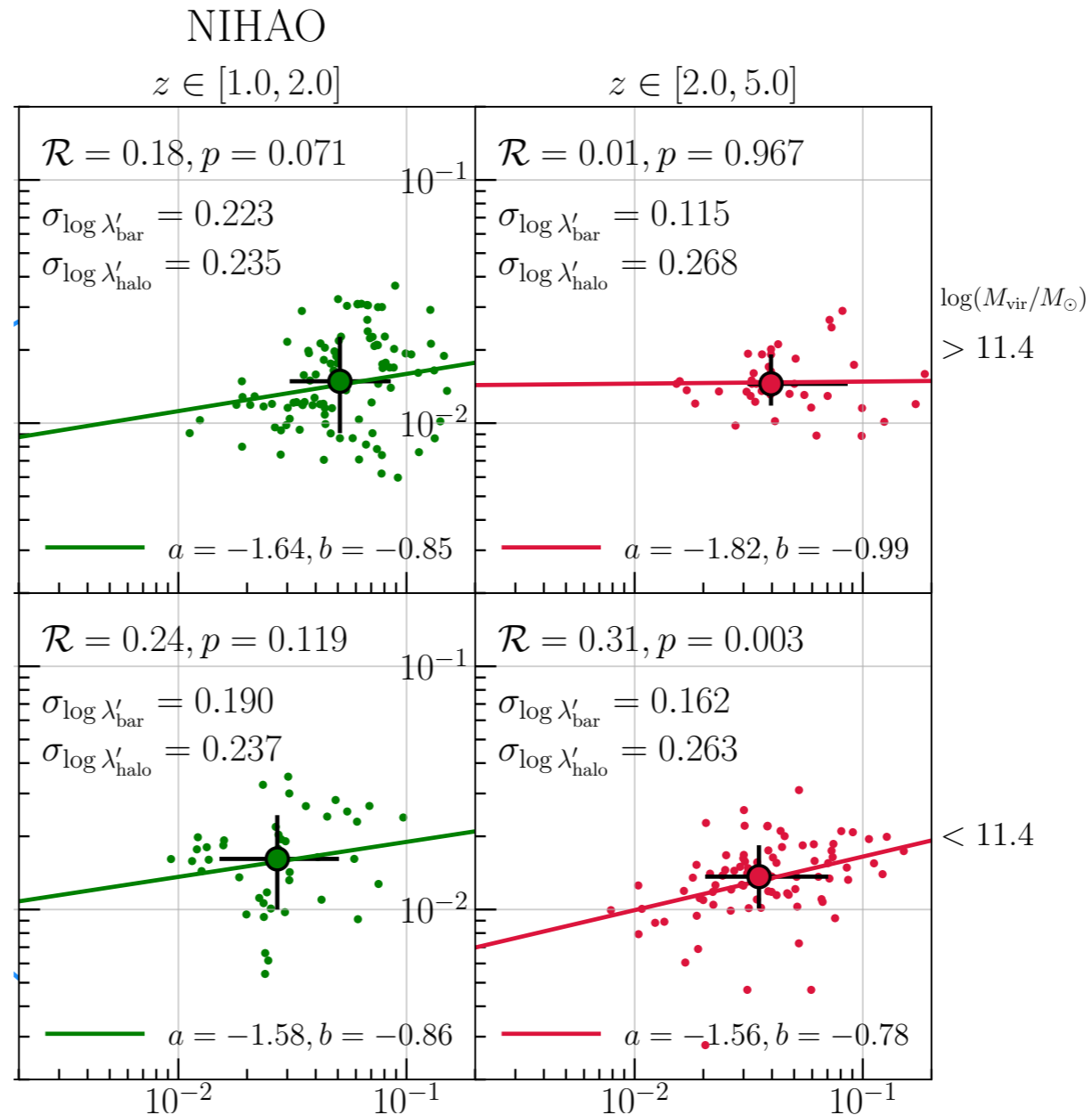
$M_{vir} \approx 10^{11.4} M_{sun}$:
characteristic mass
at which galaxies
compactify to form
blue nuggets (BN)

regression line:
 $\log \lambda_g = a + (1 + b) \log \lambda_h$

- No correlation b/w λ_{gal} and λ_{halo} at $z \geq 1$ in different M_{vir} , z bins
- λ_{gal} is higher in higher- M_{vir} (post-compactation) systems

λ_{gal} - λ_{halo} correlation

λ_{gal}



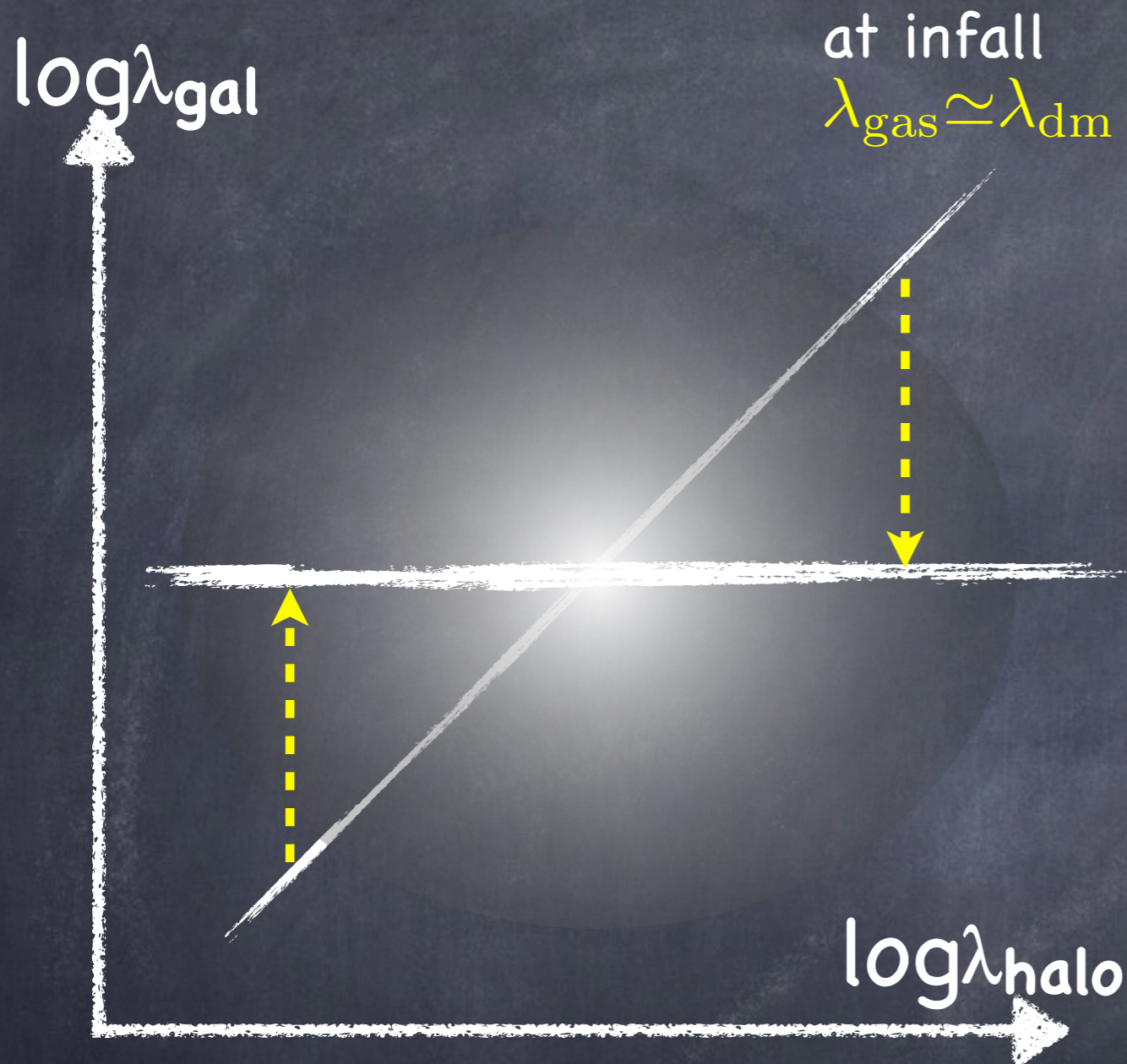
λ_{halo}

Jiang+17 in prep

regression line: $\log \lambda_g = a + (1 + b) \log \lambda_h$

- the same, lack of correlation at $z \geq 1$
- a correlation develops towards lower z ($-1 < b < 0$)

$\lambda_{gal} - \lambda_{halo}$ non-correlation



$$\lambda_g = \lambda_h \frac{\lambda_g}{\lambda_h}$$

- change of baryon's spin wrt that at infall
- may depend systematically on λ_h
- assume $\langle \frac{\lambda_g}{\lambda_h} \rangle \propto \lambda_h^b$

regression line:

$$\log \lambda_g = a + (1 + b) \log \lambda_h$$

$b \approx -1$ at high- z

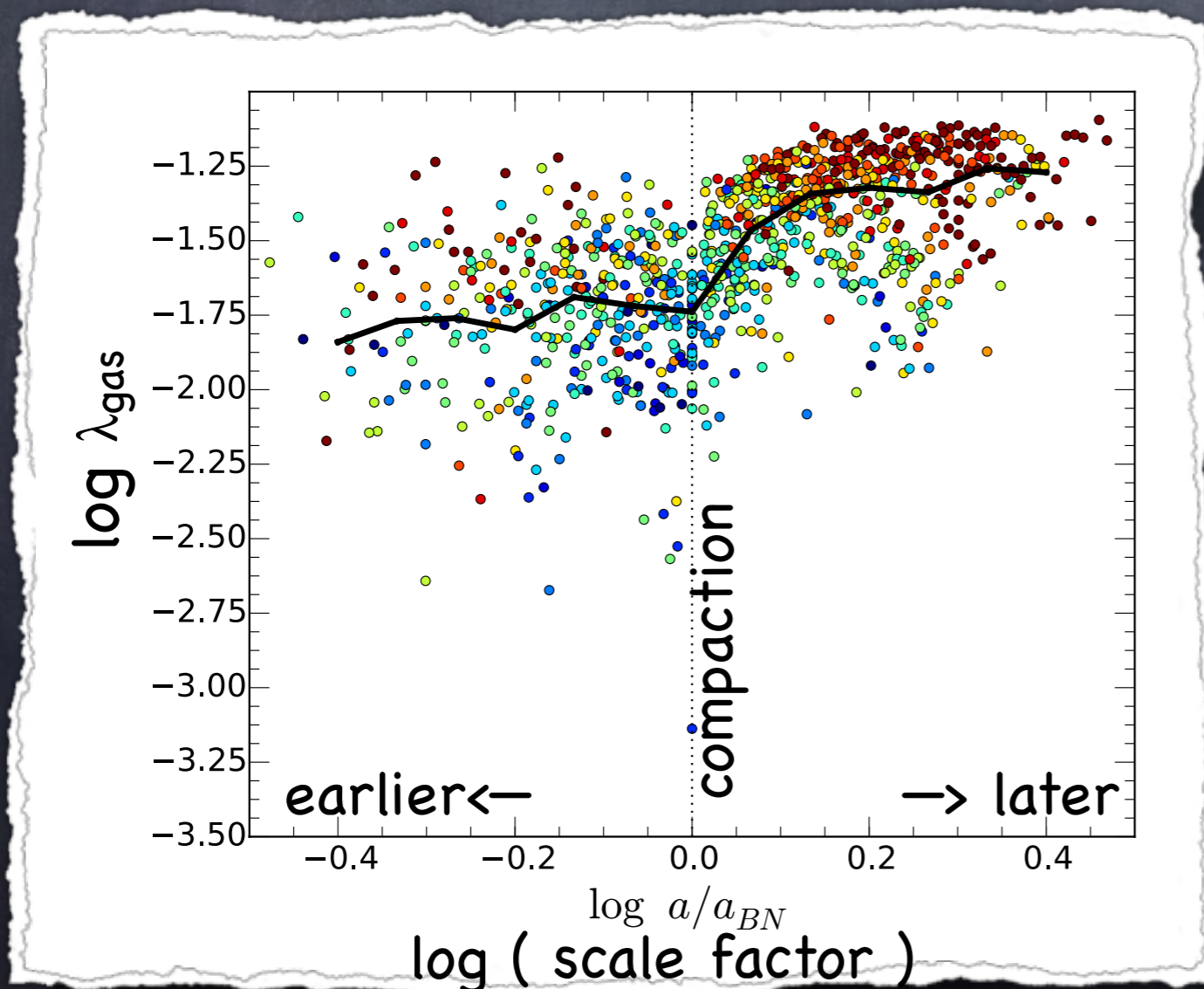
$-1 < b < 0$ at low- z

To explain the non-correlation requires mechanisms for initially high- λ_h systems to lose sAM in baryons and low- λ_h system to gain sAM in baryons

possible reasons for a $\lambda_g/\lambda_h - \lambda_h$ anti-correlation

galaxy compaction (Dekel & Burkert 14)

- a system starts with low λ_h and thus low λ_{gas}
- low λ_{gas} \rightarrow high Σ_{1kpc} (compaction)
- "Blue Nugget" (BN) forms \rightarrow high central SFR, gas depletion
- freshly accreted gas with high λ_{gas} forms a ring



compaction happens at a characteristic mass scale

$$M_{\text{star}} \approx 10^{9.8} M_{\text{sun}}$$

$$M_{\text{vir}} \approx 10^{11.4} M_{\text{sun}}$$

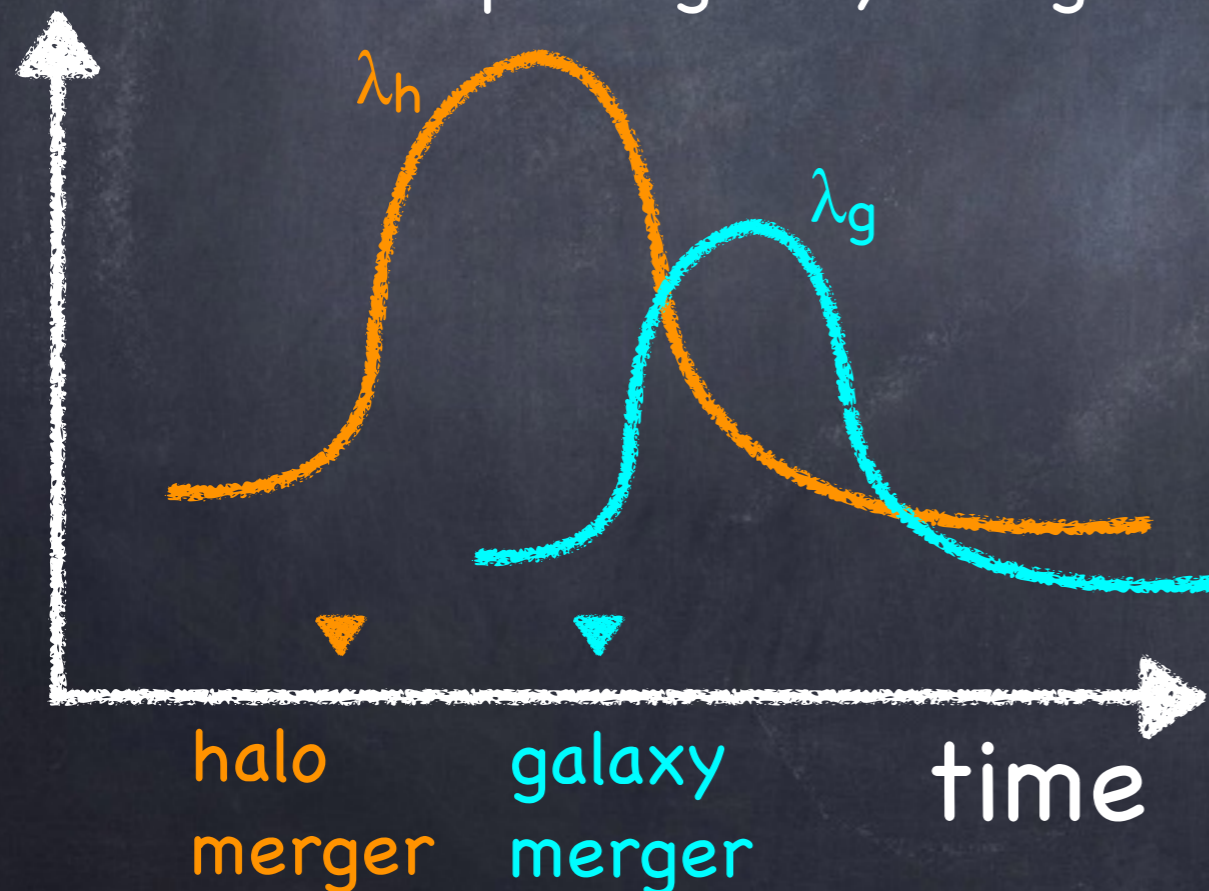
(which depends on SF, fdbk etc)

Dekel+17 in prep

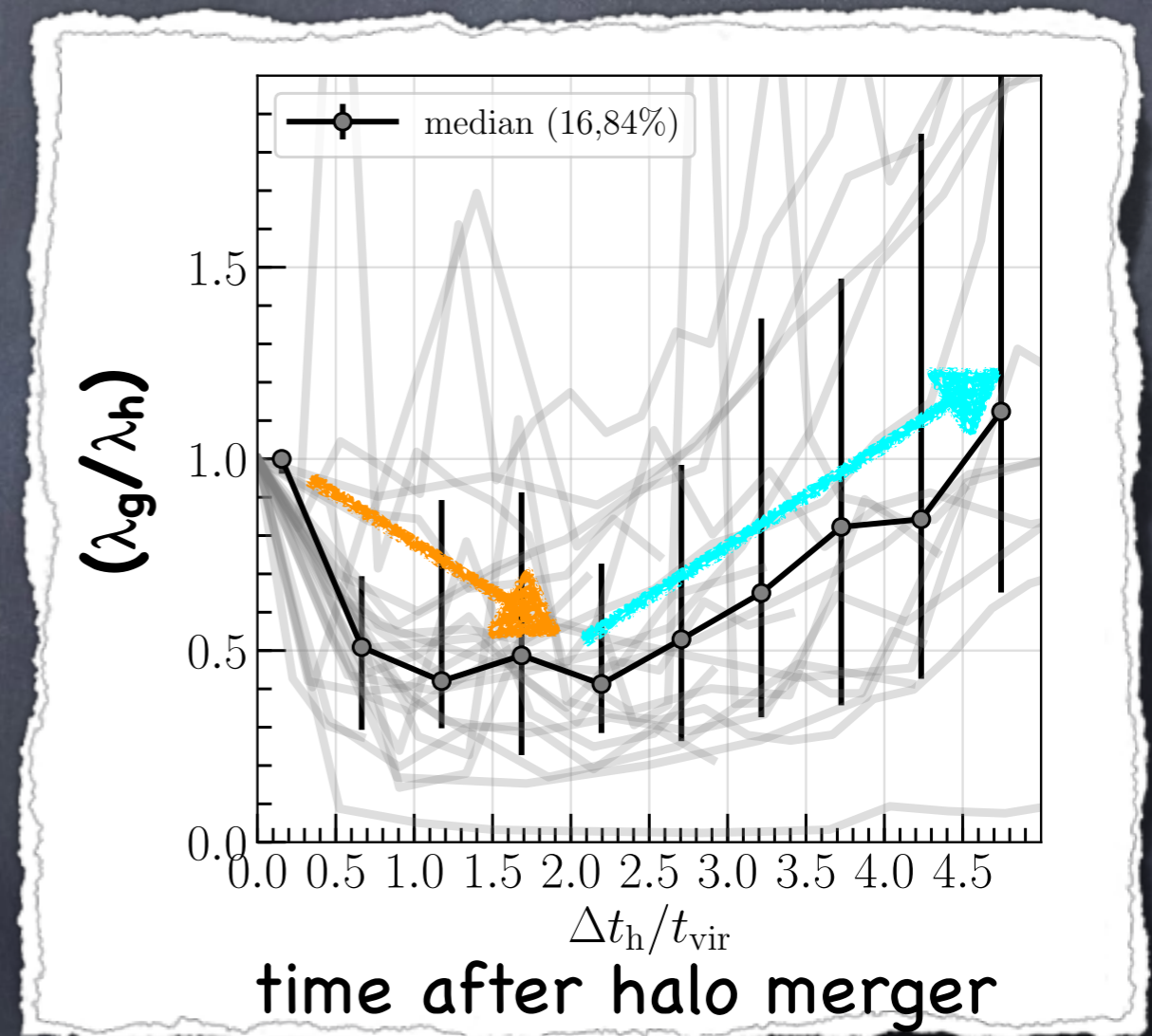
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mergers

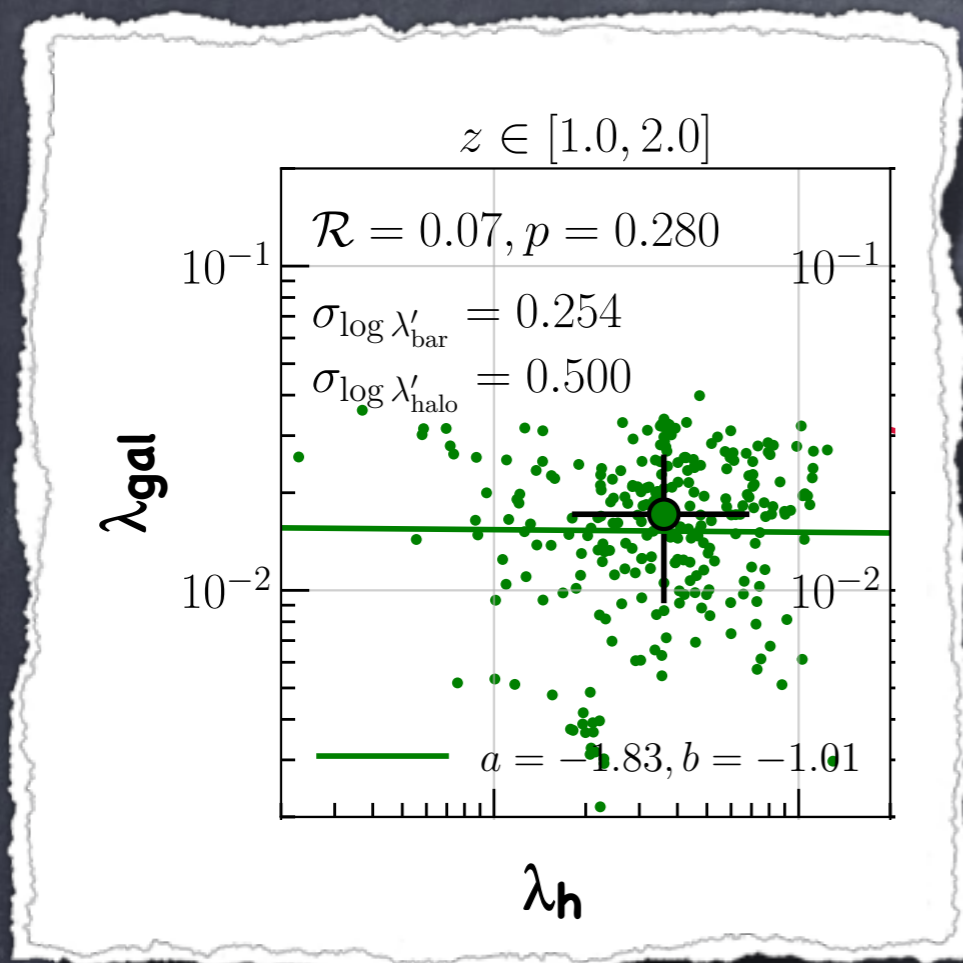
- halo mergers cause λ_h to rise (orbital AM dominating λ_h), while λ_g is untouched yet
- halo re-virializes $\rightarrow \lambda_h$ drops, while λ_g temporarily rises due to the subsequent galaxy merger



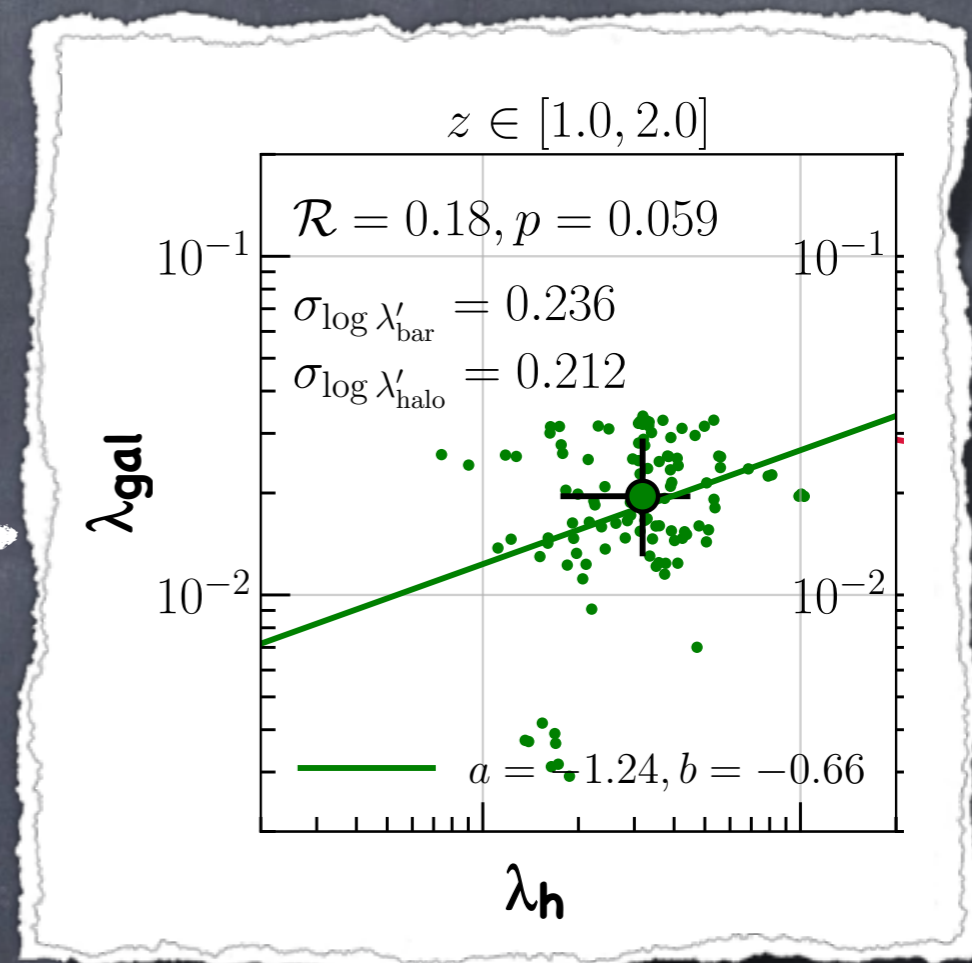
(see also [Lee+17](#))



Jiang+17 in prep



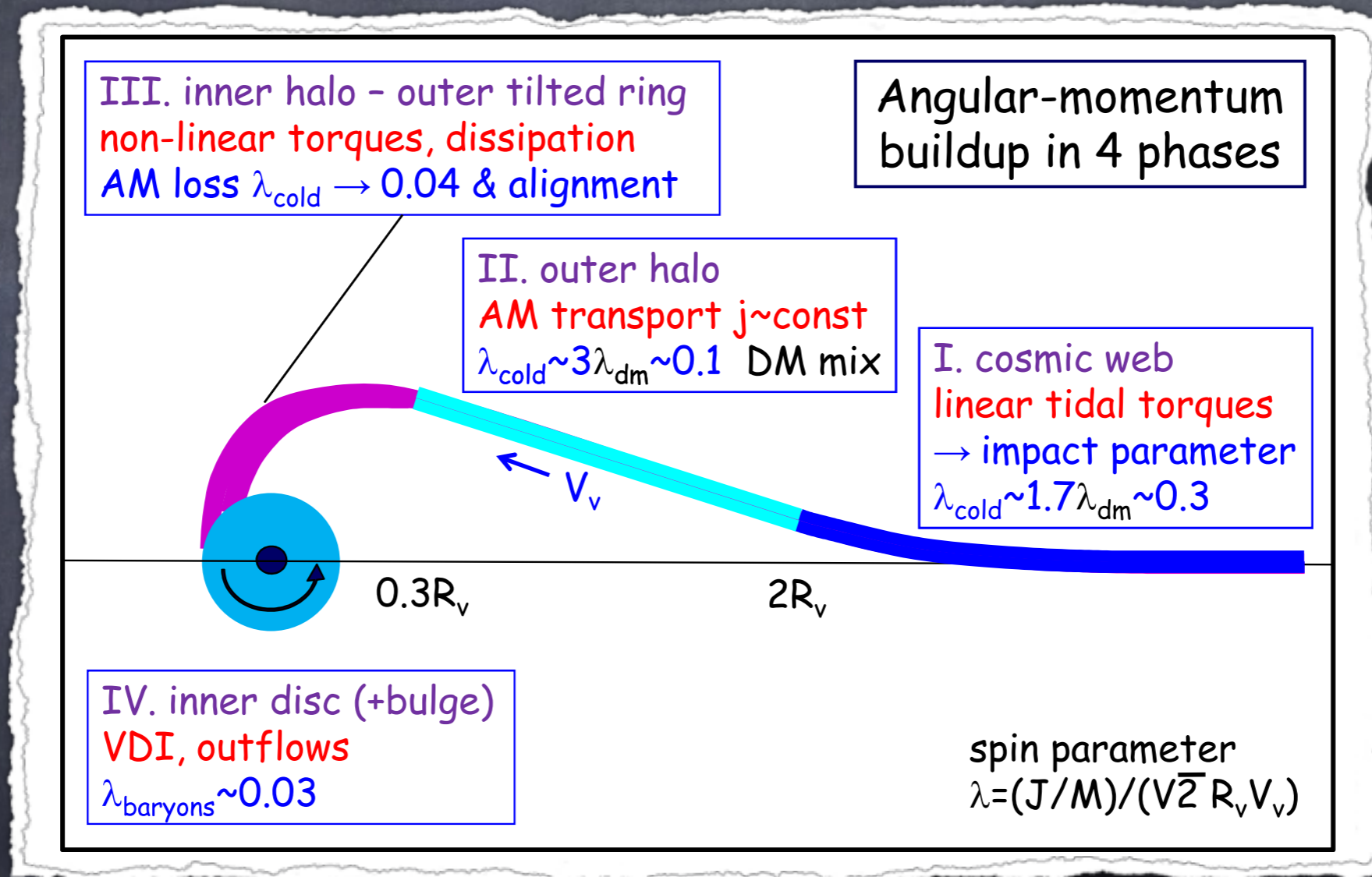
remove
post-halo-
merger
snapshots



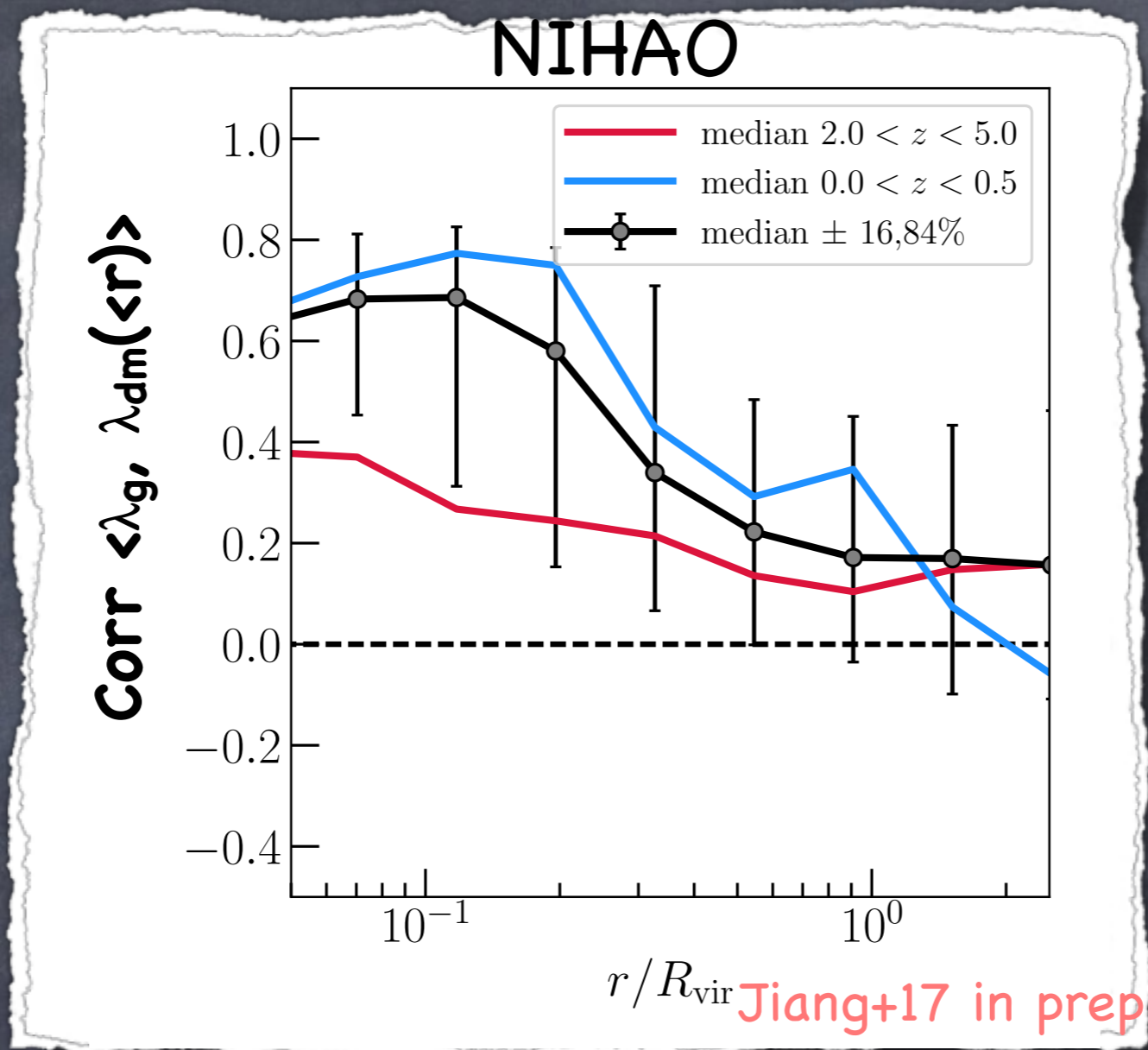
- removing post-halo-merger steps gives a weak correlation,
- mergers alone cannot explain the non-correlation between λ_g and λ_h

other possible reasons for smearing out $\lambda_g - \lambda_h$ correlation

see Danovich+15

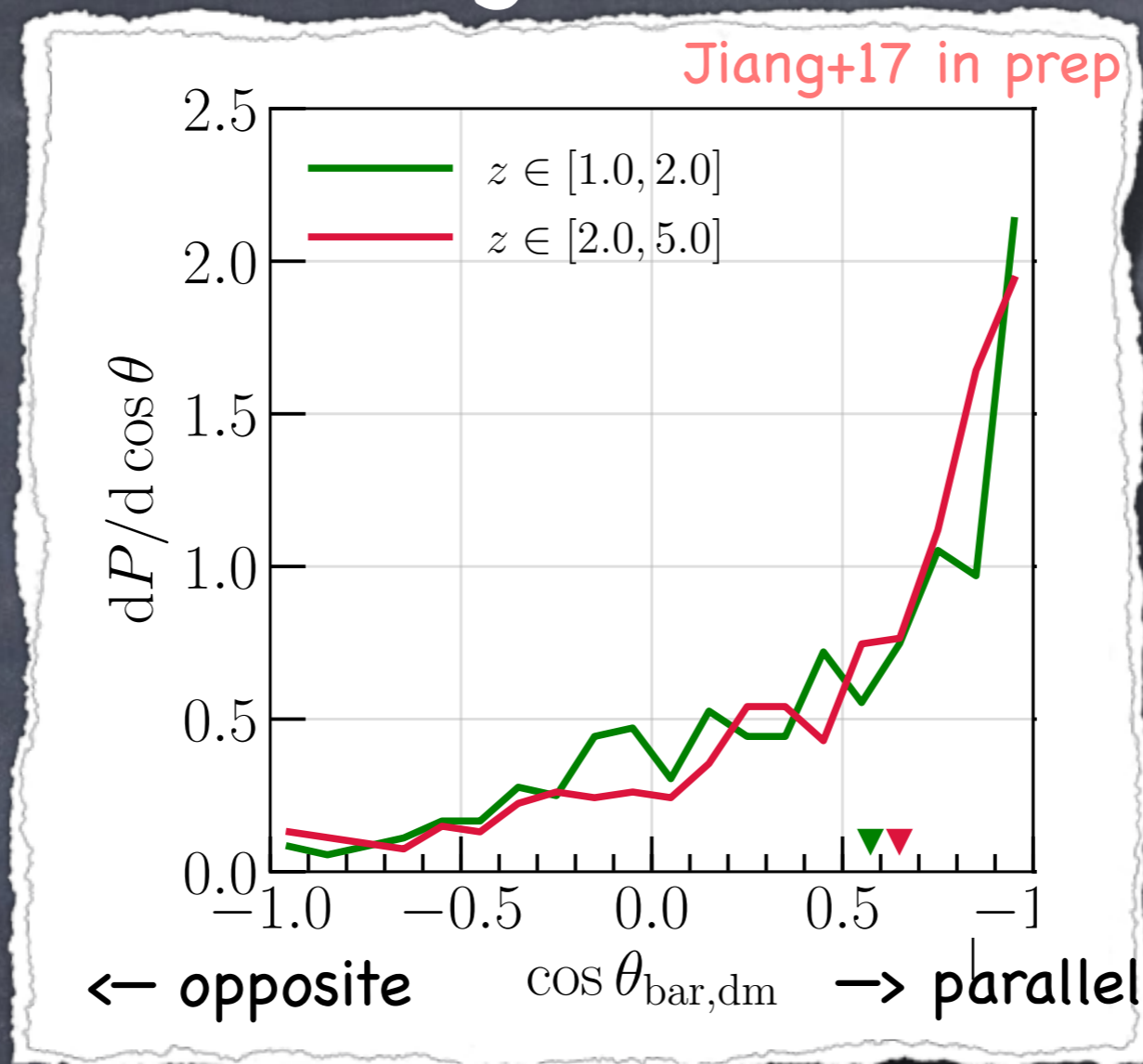


λ_{gal} and $\lambda_{inner\ halo}$?



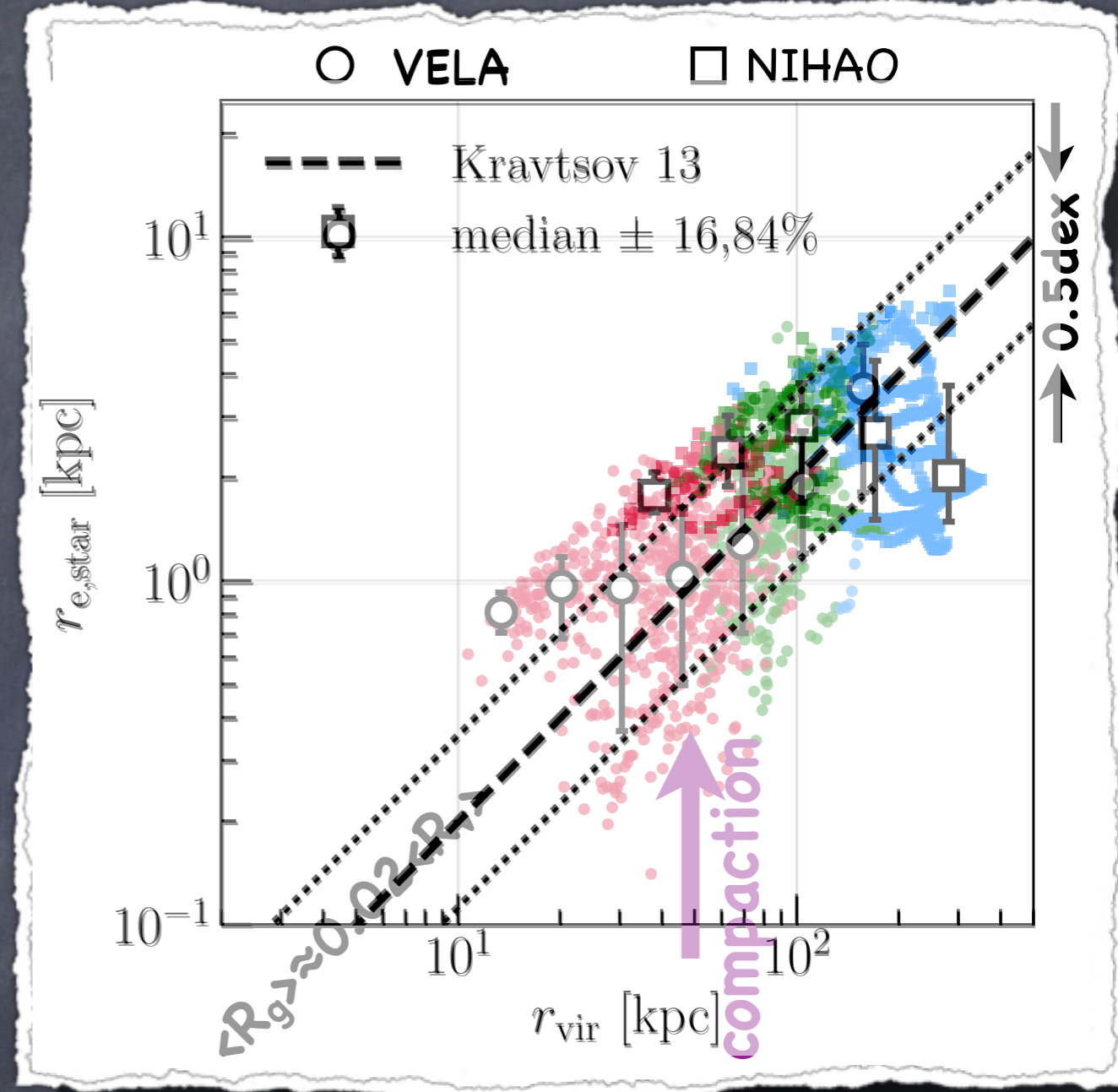
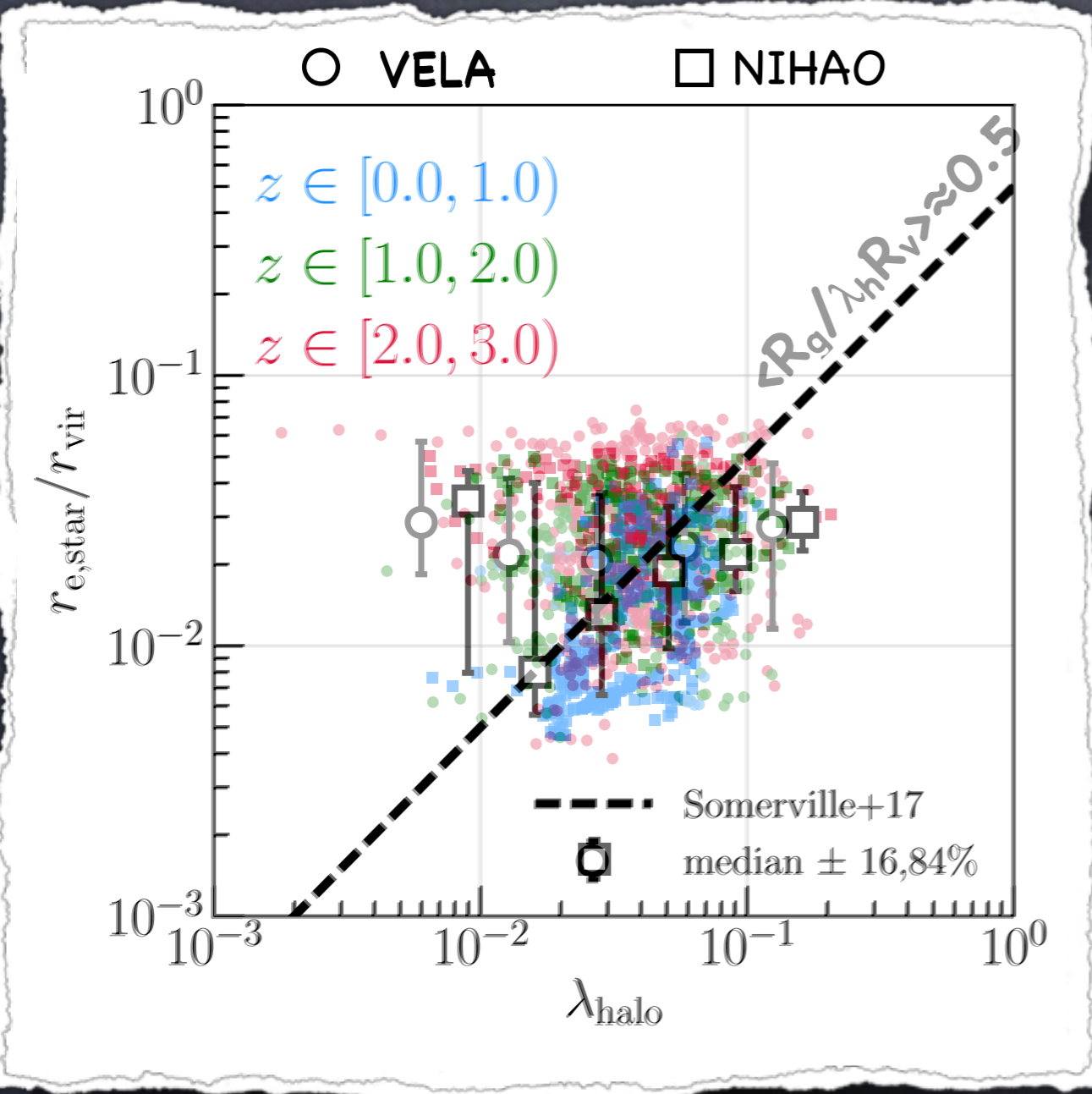
- strong correlation between λ_g and $\lambda_{dm}(\langle r \rangle)$ out to $0.2R_{vir}$, esp. low- z
- consistent with EAGLE (Zavala+16):
 - tight correlation between the loss of sAM of the inner ($0.1R_{vir}$) DM and that of the baryons, by following Lagrangian volumes

Alignment



- good alignment despite non-correlation in values:
 $\langle \cos \theta \rangle = 0.72$ (gas-DM), 0.61 (stars-DM)
- mechanisms smearing out the $\lambda_g - \lambda_h$ correlation should NOT randomize the alignment too much
- alignment weakens slightly towards low- z , also seen in Illustris (Zjupa & Springel 2017)

Is λ_h relevant for galaxy size?



• VELA and NIHAO gives different answer

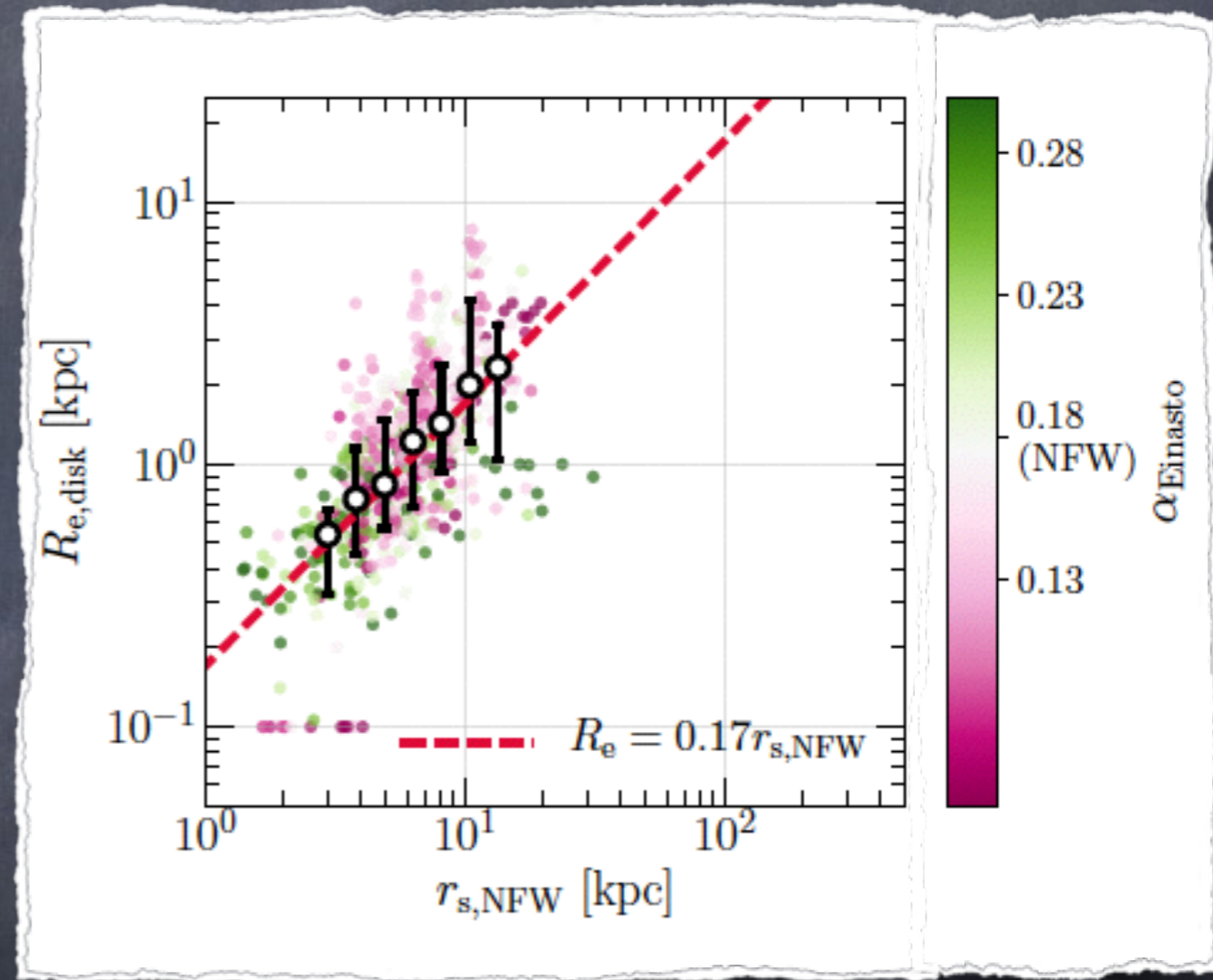
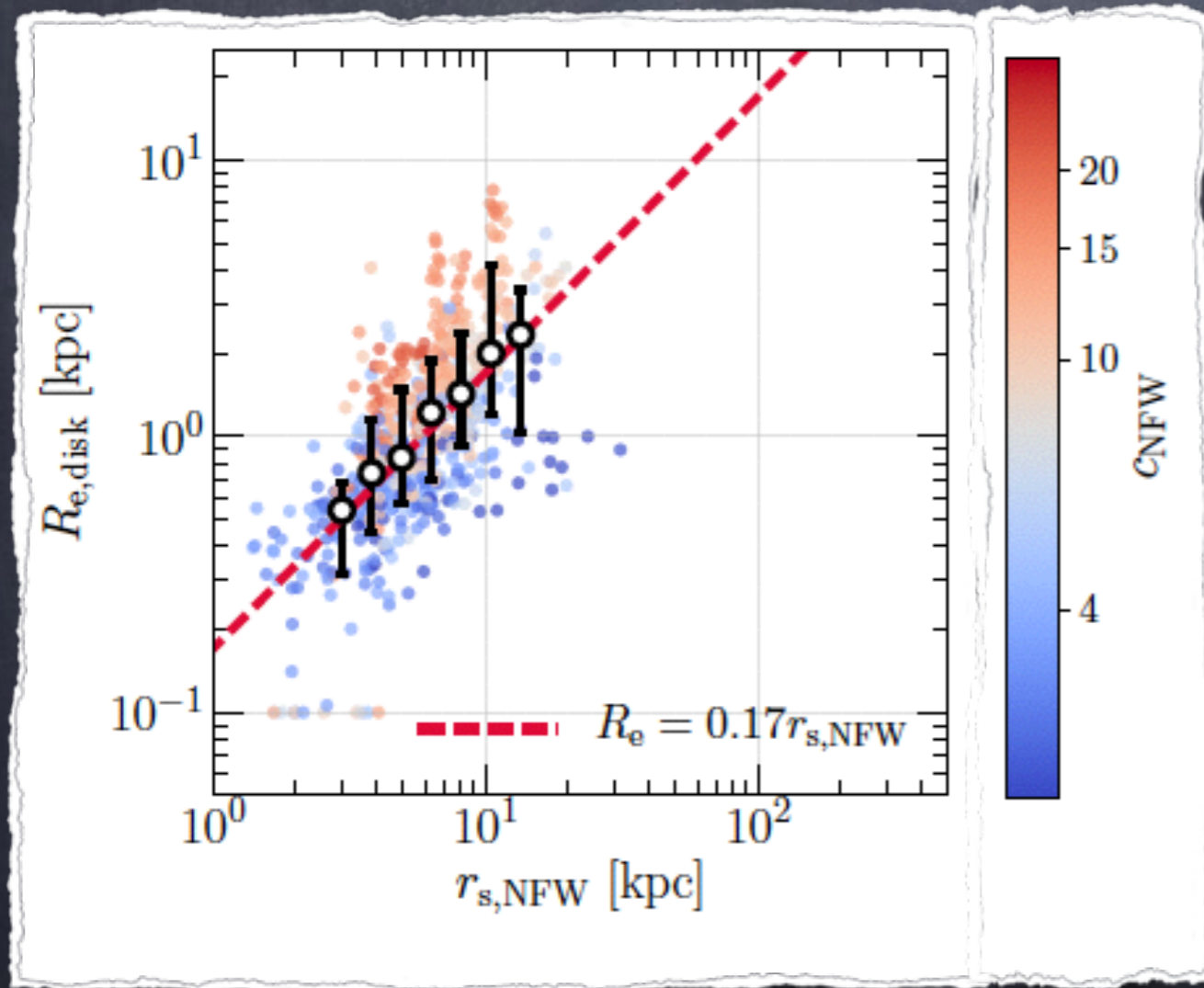
$$j_g \simeq R_g V_{rot} \implies R_g \simeq \frac{j_g}{j_h} \frac{j_h}{R_{vir} V_{vir}} \frac{V_{vir}}{V_{rot}} R_{vir} \quad ? \quad \lambda_h R_{vir}$$

random

$$V_{rot}^2 = V_{circ}^2 - \alpha \sigma^2$$

λ_{halo} irrelevant, but ...

$$r_e \approx 0.17 r_{s,\text{NFW}}$$

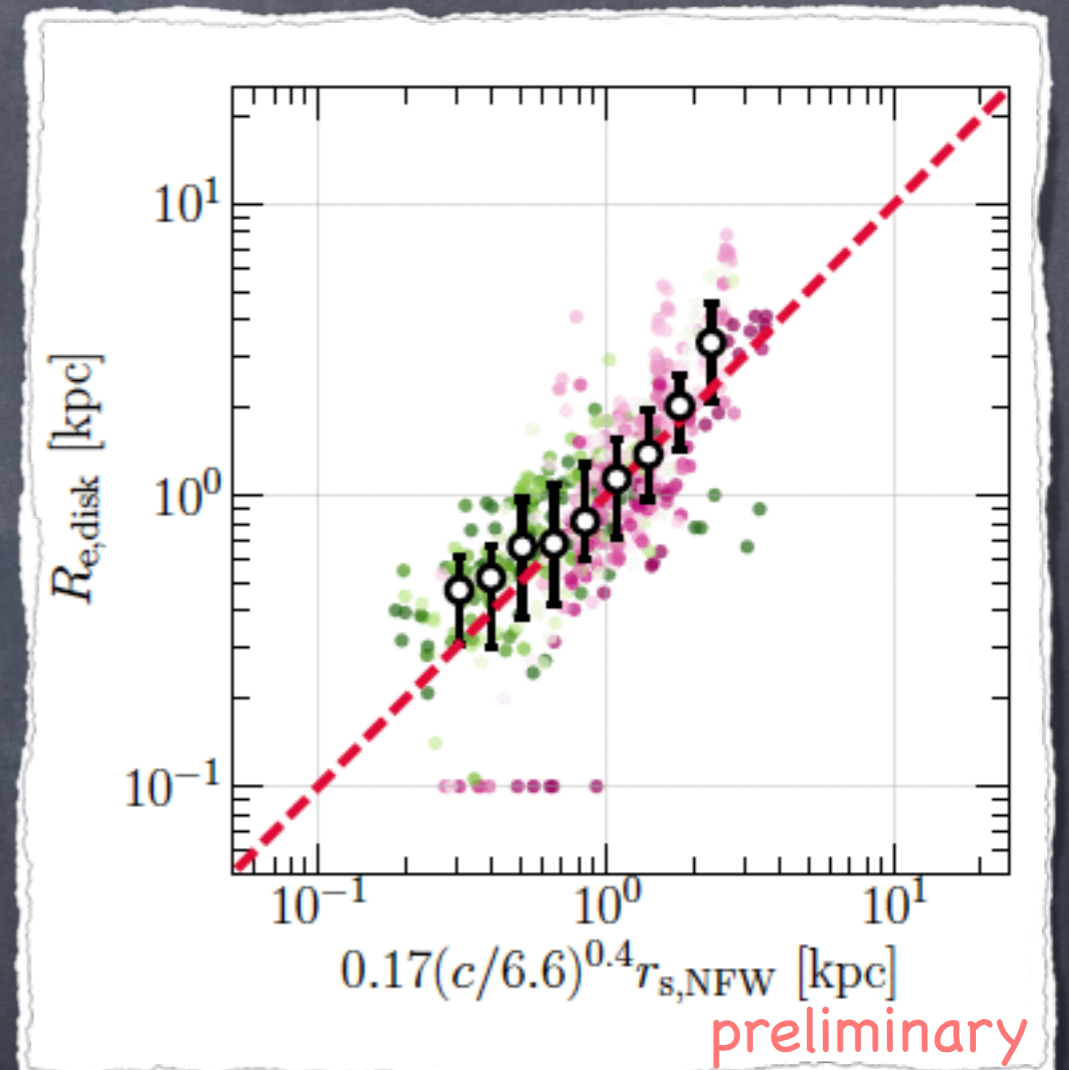
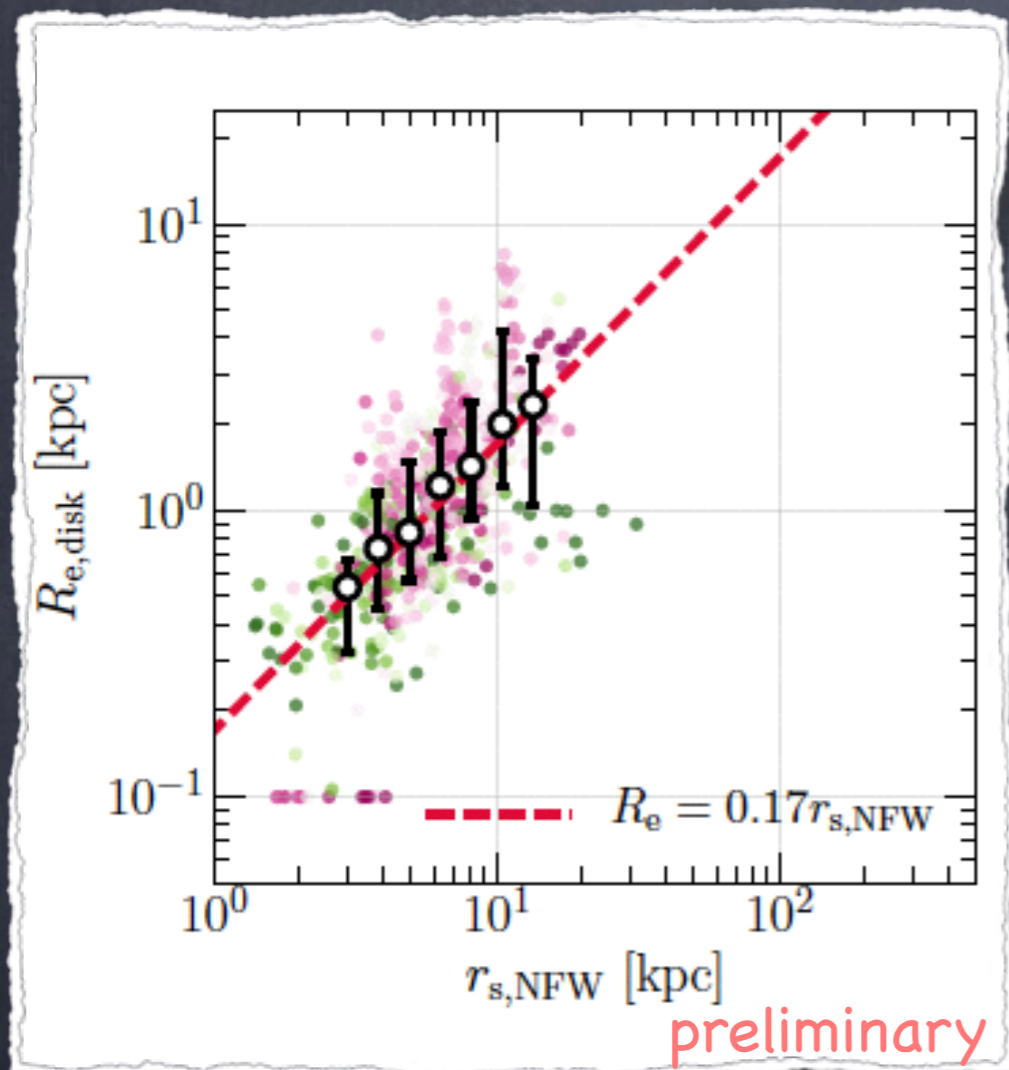


secondary halo parameters may tighten $r_e - r_x$ relation ?

halo concentration C_{NFW} ?

halo density profile shape α_{Ein} ?

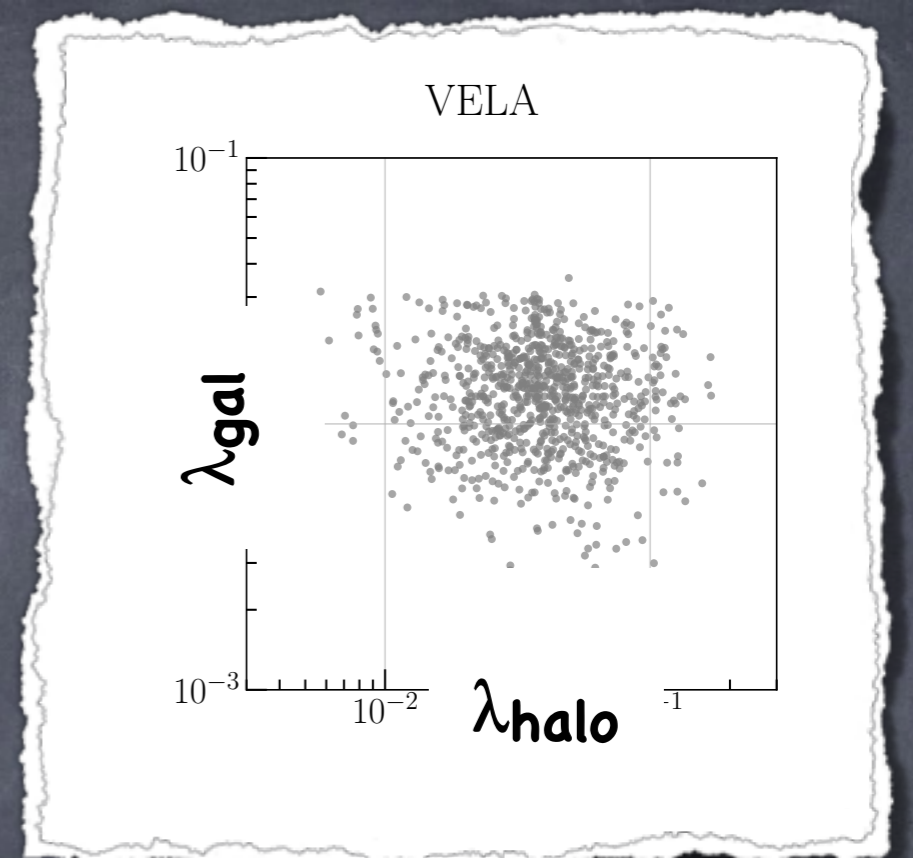
a simple galaxy size indicator



$$R_e = 0.17 \times \left(\frac{c}{c_0} \right)^{0.4} r_{s,NFW}$$

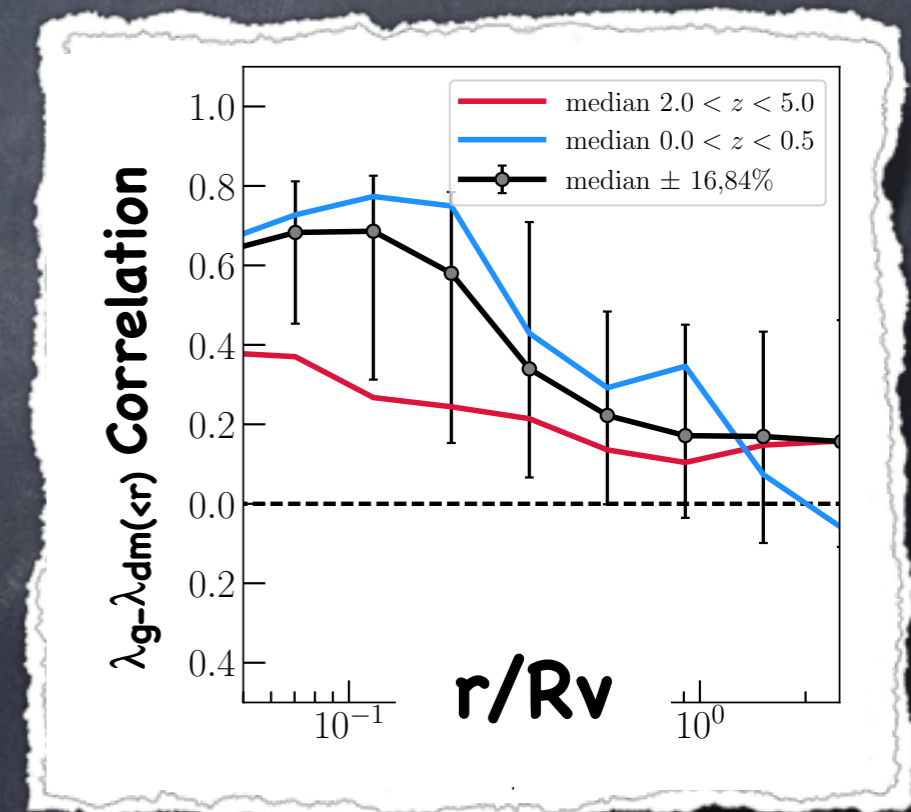
Summary

- no $\lambda_g - \lambda_h$ correlation at $z > 1$
 - a weak correlation may develop at $z < 1$
 - λ_g and $\lambda_{dm(<0.2R_v)}$ still correlated
 - $\lambda_g - \lambda_h$ alignment always good
 - λ_g is higher in post-compact halos

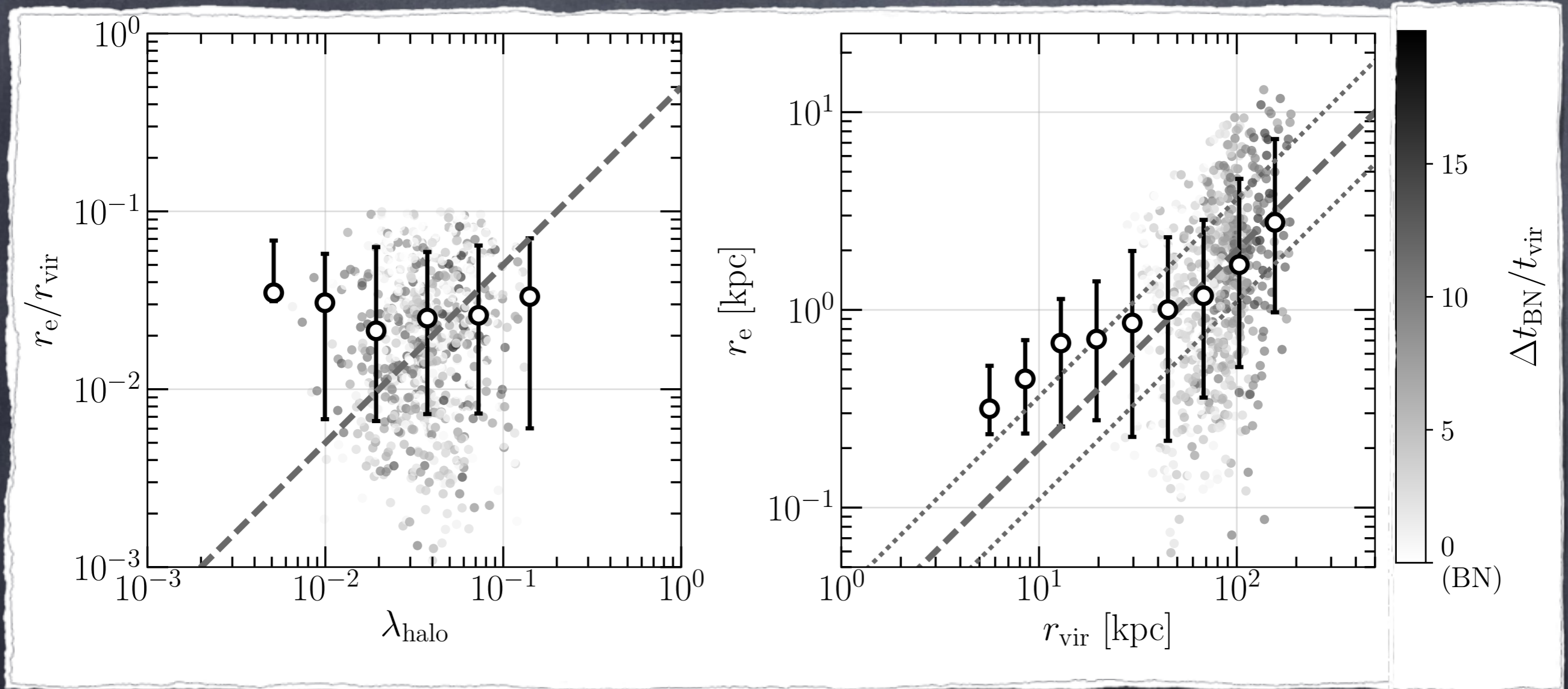


- mechanisms that smear out the $\lambda_g - \lambda_h$ correlation which must exist at infall need to
 - cause an anti-correlation between λ_g/λ_h and λ_h
 - be less effective at low- z
 - not randomize the orientation

- λ_h irrelevant for galaxy size, while, at least in VELA,
 $R_e \approx 0.17 r_s (c/7)^{0.4}$

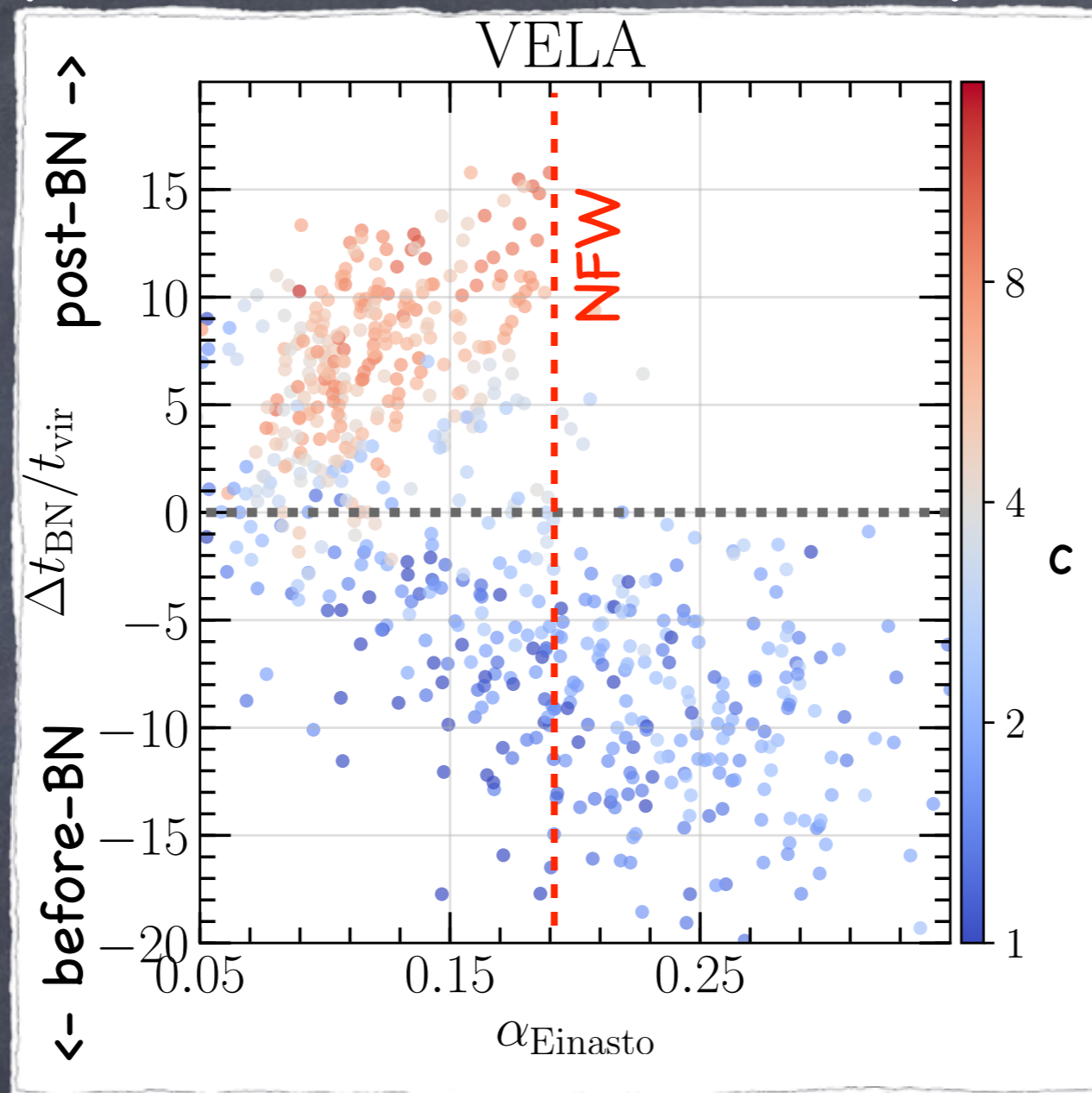


λ_{halo} irrelevant, but compaction matters ...



- **post-compaction r_e-r_{vir}** approaches the local empirical relation (Kravtsov13,17)
- which halo characteristic radius r_x gives a universal r_e-r_x relation?
- which halo parameters capture / manifest compaction?

compaction and halo structural parameters



- before compaction: uniform α
- after compaction: $\alpha < 0.2$, post-compaction time scales with α
- just halo response? or maybe c and α can predict compaction?

Ad: **SatGen** — a poor(wise) man's satellite galaxy population factory

EPS merger trees

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orbit integration

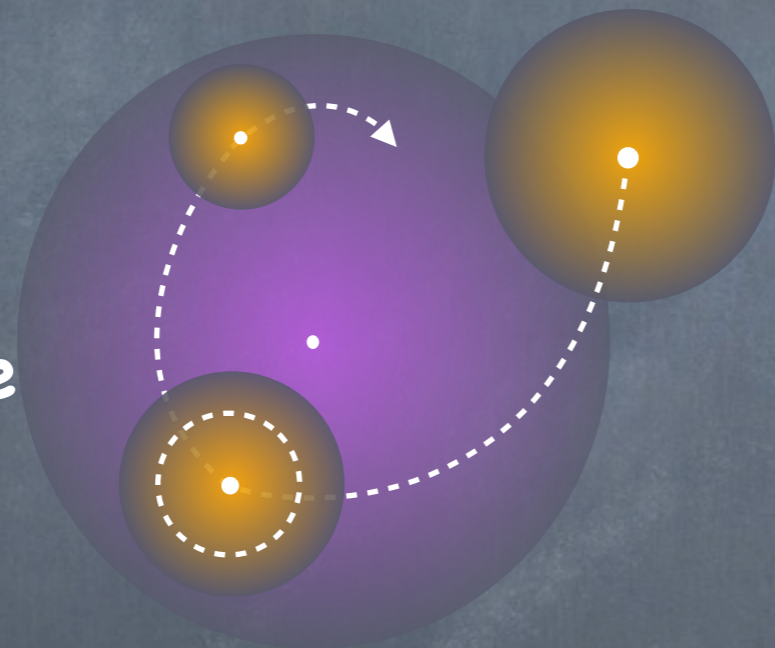
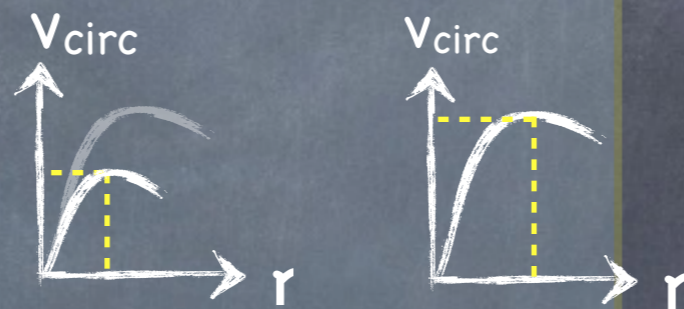
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(sub)halo response

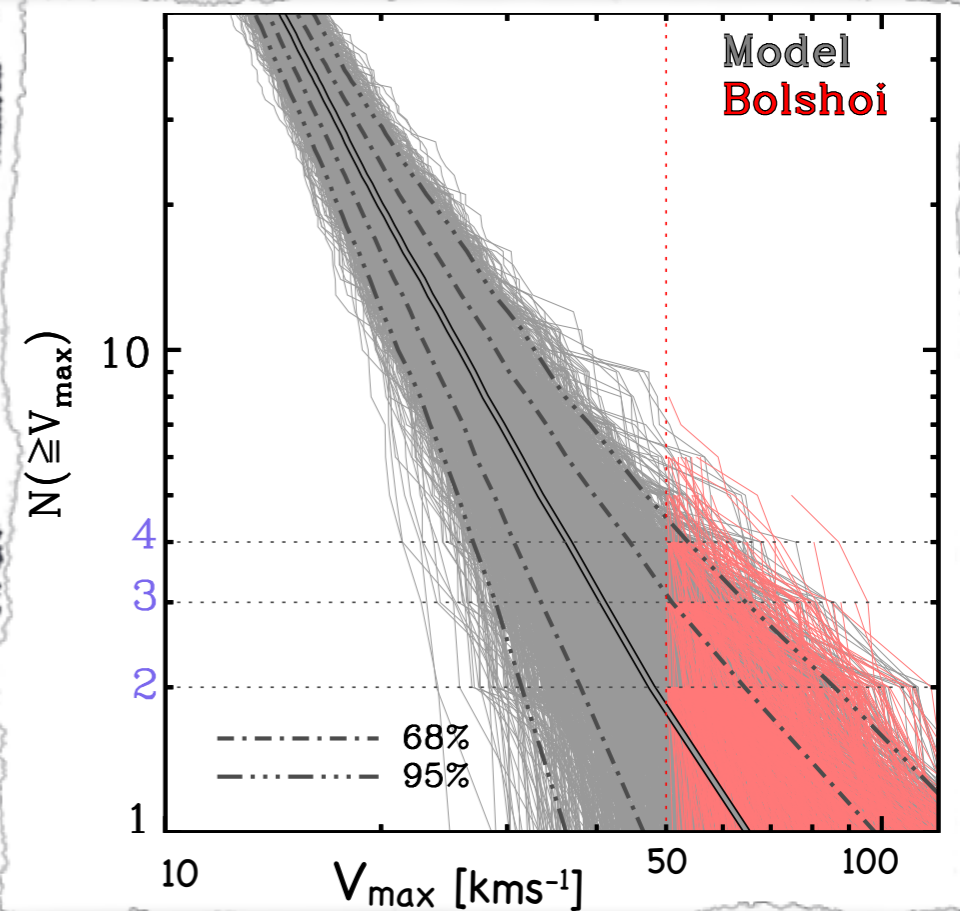
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SHAM+

based on Jiang & van den Bosch 15,16



w/o the disk, we can simulate / outperform N-body simulations ...



Goal: to simulate hydro simulations (why feasible? see Garrison-Kimmel+17), we need a correct way to assign disks to halos !

$$\frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}}{dt^2} = - \frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{halo} + \text{disk}}(r)}{\partial r} \frac{\mathbf{r}}{r} + \mathbf{F}_{\text{df}}$$