

Simulating the Gas Cycle in Galaxies

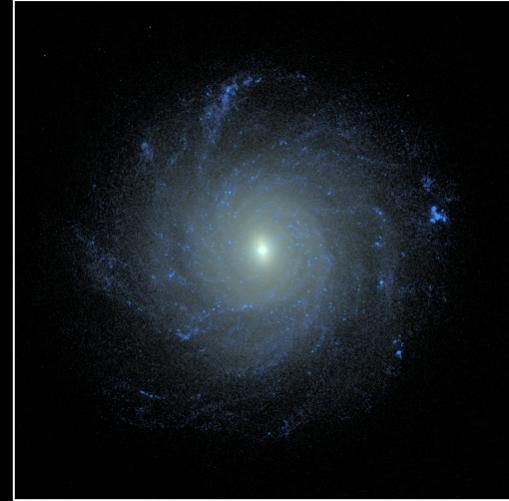
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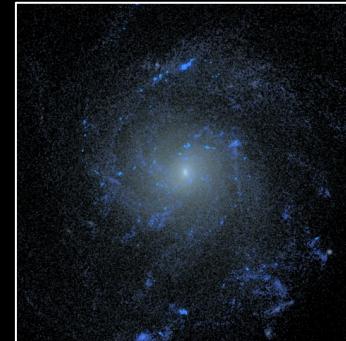
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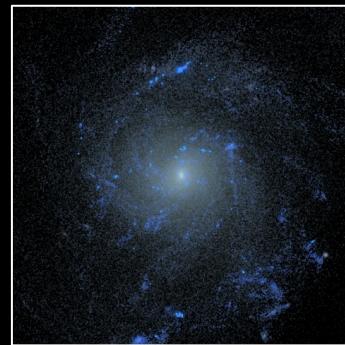


What are the accretion and outflow histories of baryons in galaxies, and what are the properties of the (re)accreting and outflowing gas?





Given a hydrodynamic code that produces galaxies with reasonably realistic properties, using a physically-motivated, tuned model for stellar feedback, let's back out *information about outflow & inflow properties*



Code: Gasoline

- SPH code (Wadsley+ 2004)
- Cosmic UV background radiation
- H & He ionization; non-equilibrium H₂ (Christensen+ 2012)
- Metal line cooling and metal diffusion. O and Fe abundances tracked. (Shen+ 2010)
- Probabilistic star formation based on free-fall time and H₂ abundance, $c^* = 0.1$ (Christensen+ 2012)
- Supernovae feedback (blastwave, $E_{\text{SN}} = 10^{51}$ ergs) (Stinson+ 2006)
 - Cooling is disabled for the period of time equal to the momentum-conserving (snowplow) phase of the blastwave
 - function of E, P and ρ (McKee and Ostriker 1977)
- No AGN feedback here . . .

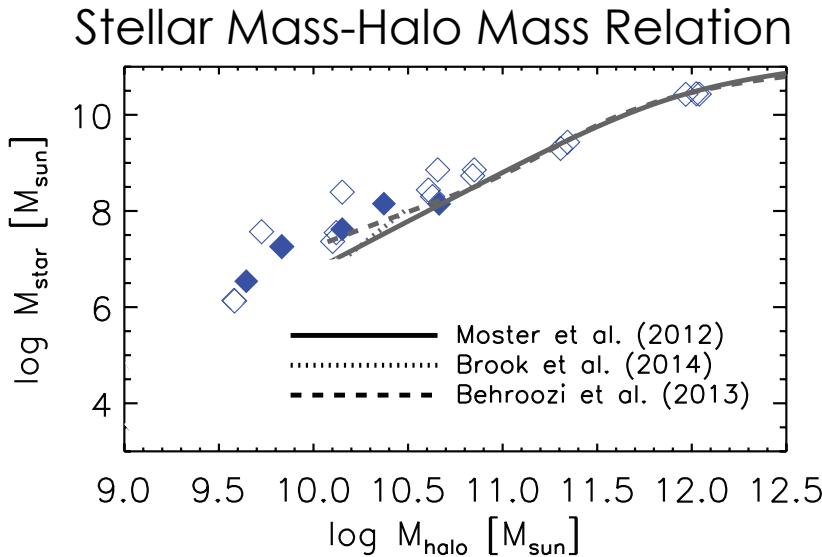
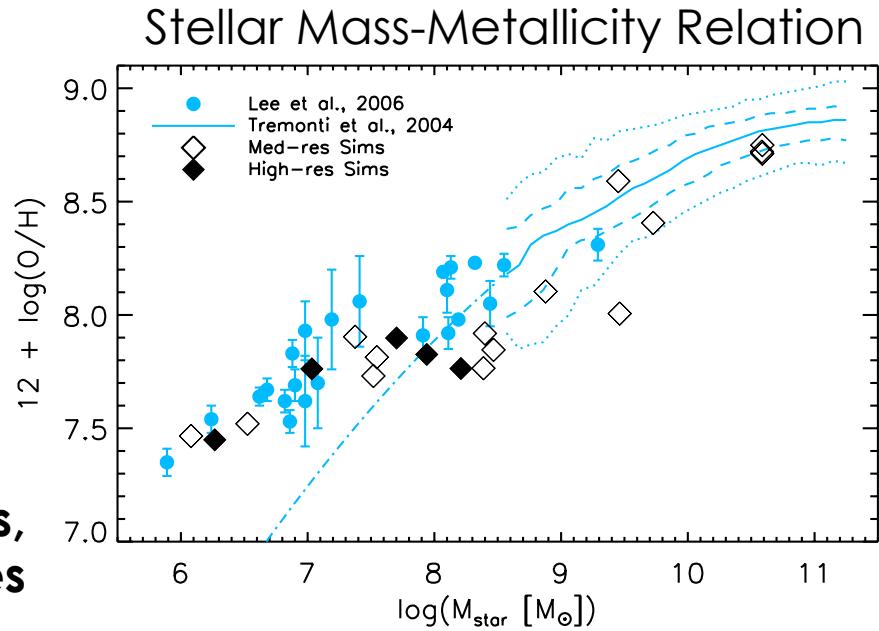
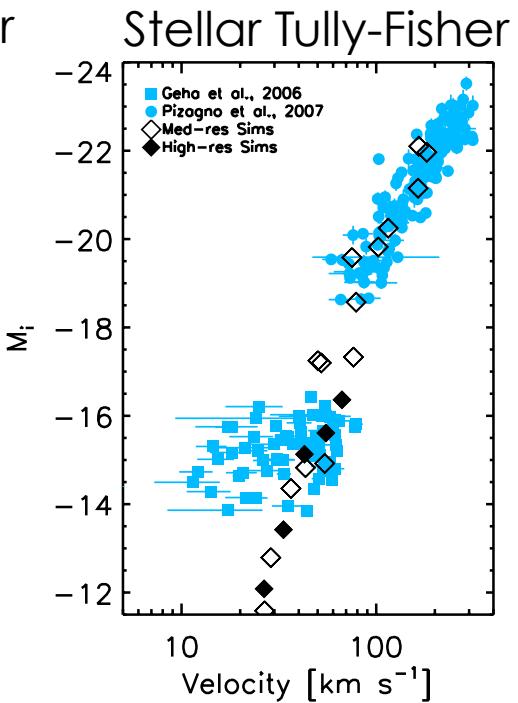
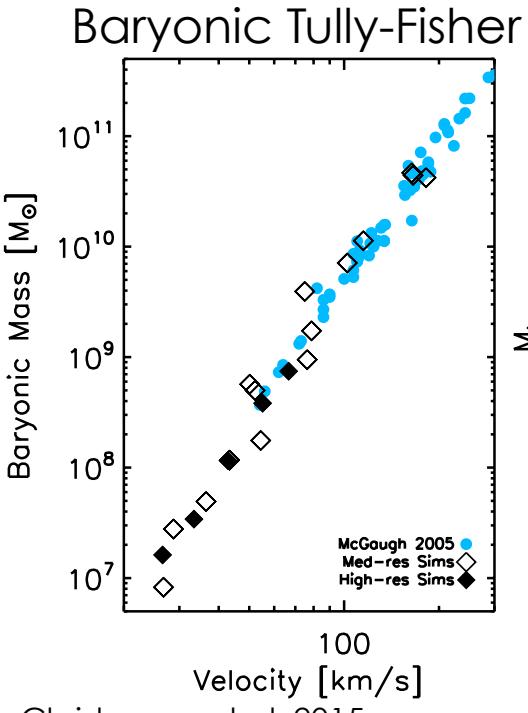
Simulations

- 20 central galaxies from zoom-in, cosmological simulations.
- Virial masses at $z = 0$ from $5 \times 10^9 - 10^{12} M_{\odot}$
- Gas particle masses: $3300 M_{\odot}$ or $25,000 M_{\odot}$
- Softening lengths: 87 or 170 pc, smoothing lengths > 0.1 softening



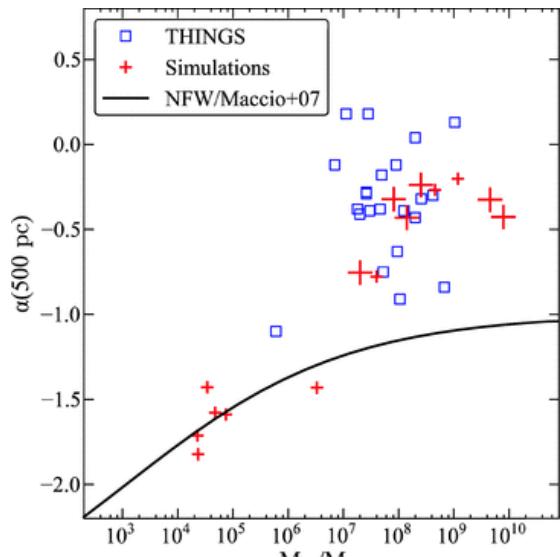
Observed relations of global properties at $z = 0$ (1st order galaxy formation)

Also: realistic sizes, velocity dispersions,
gas fractions, & HI disk sizes



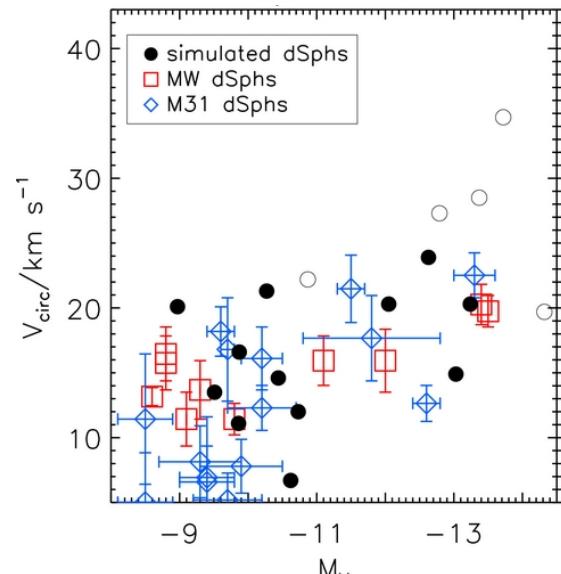
Matter Distribution within Galaxy

Cored Profiles



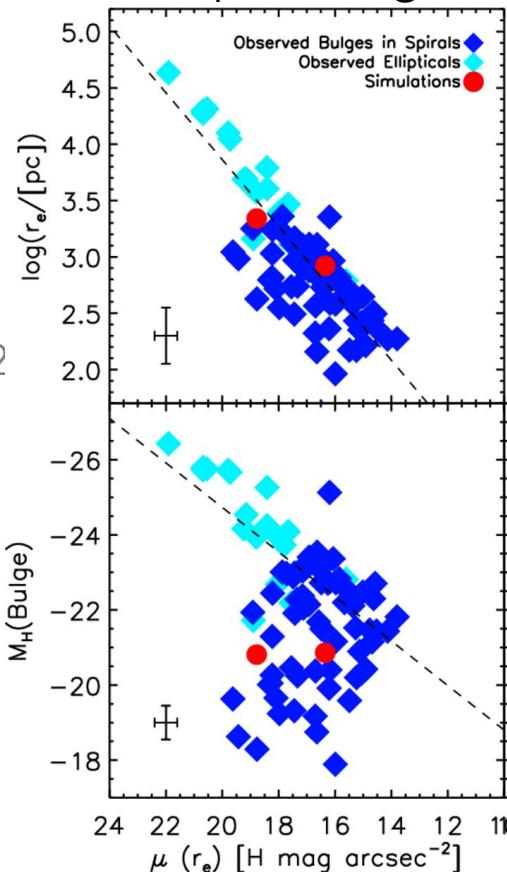
Governato+ 2012

Circular Velocity of Satellites



Brooks and Zolotov 2014

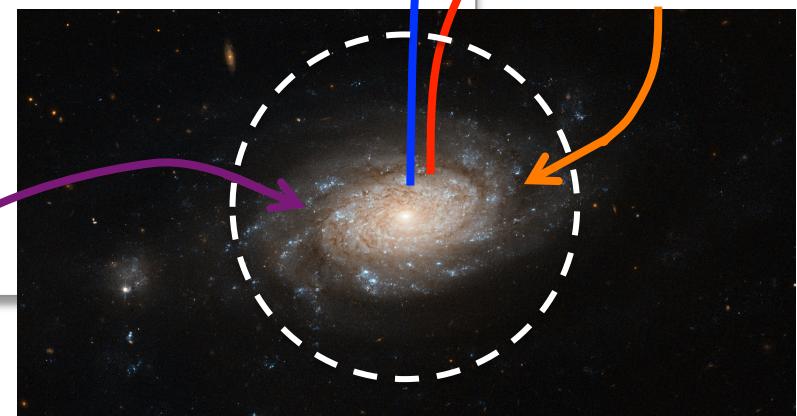
Appropriately Shaped Bulges



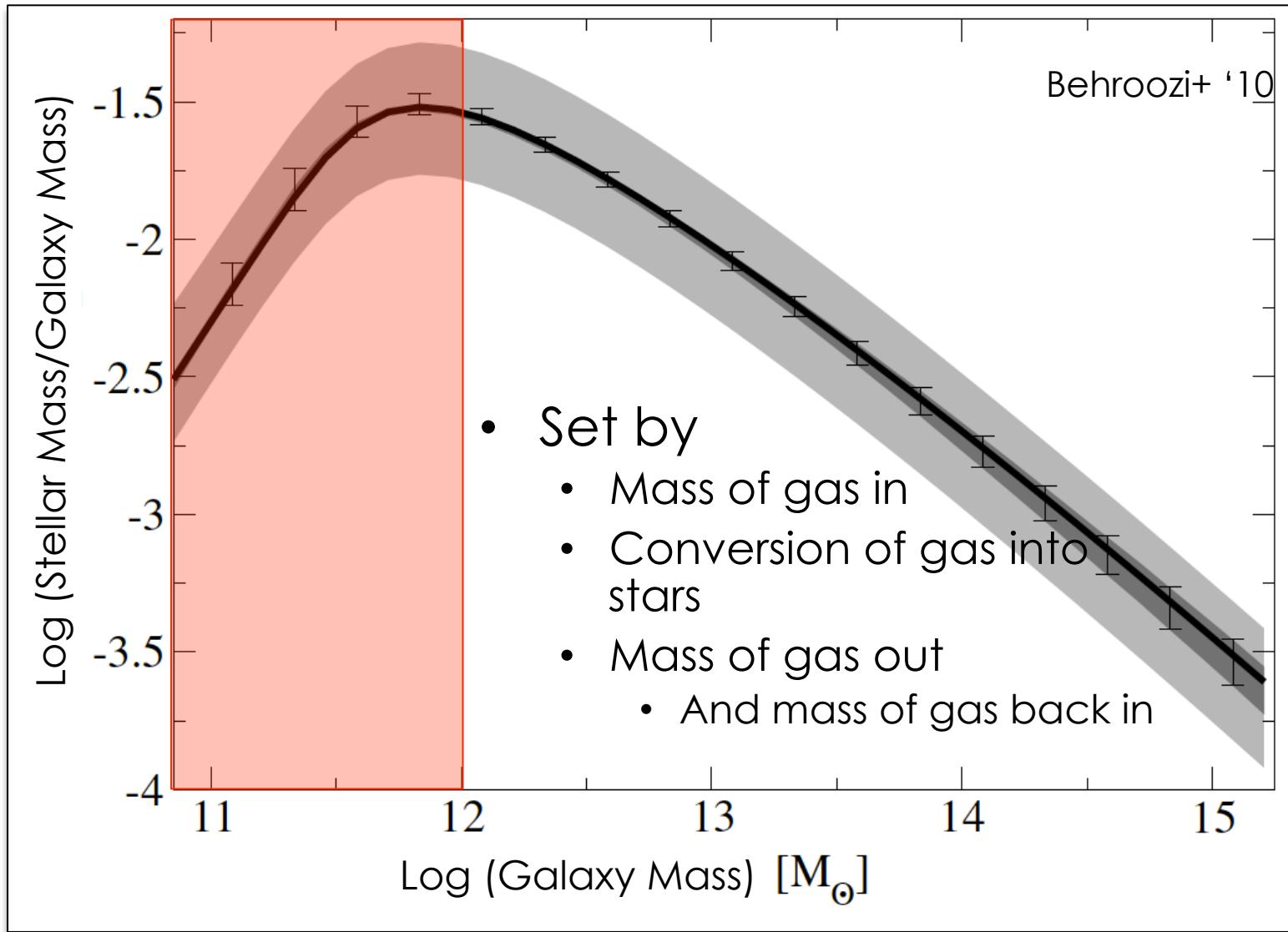
Christensen+ 2014

Particle Tracking

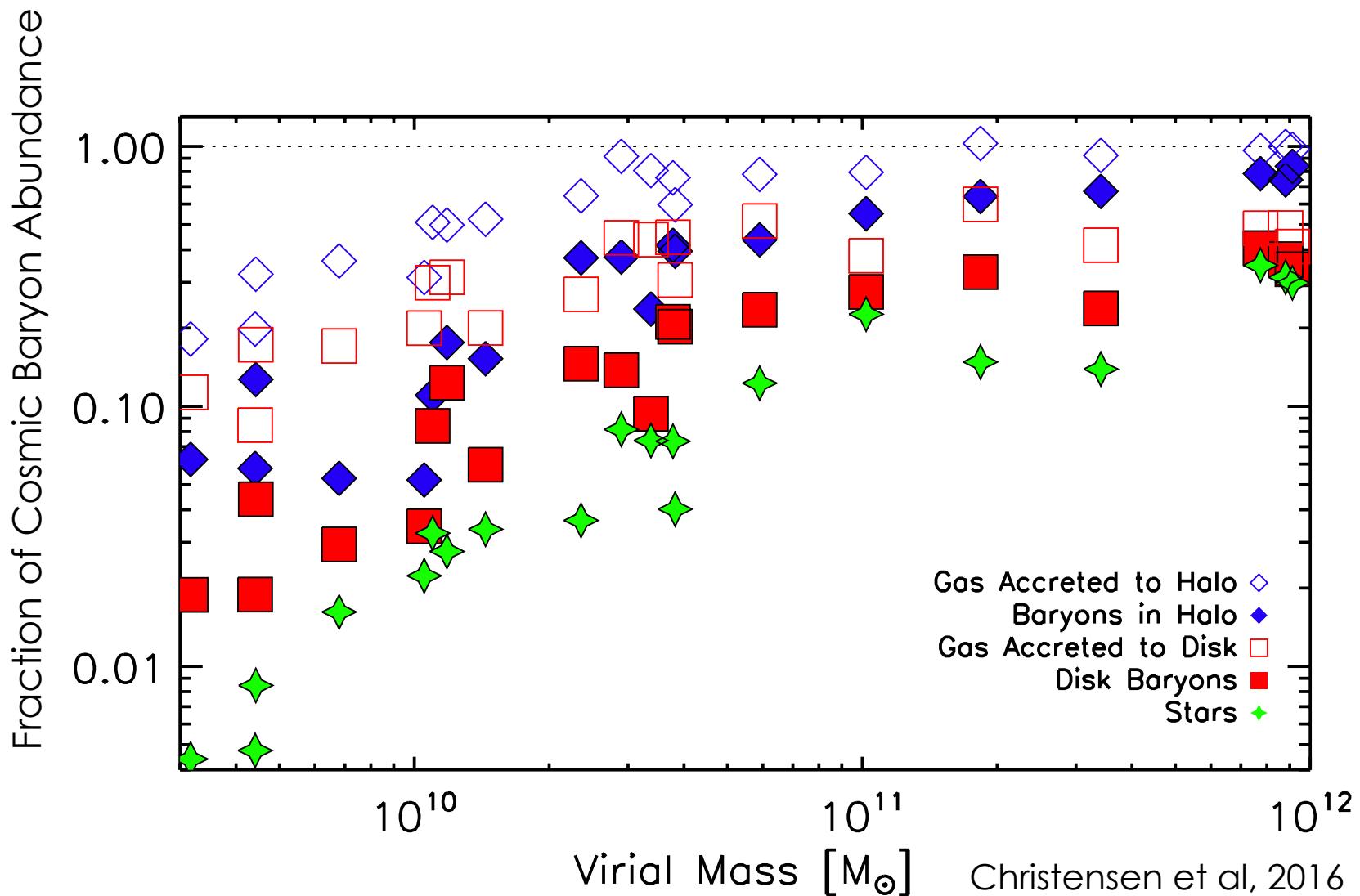
- Inflowing gas:
 - First step included in disk
- Outflowing gas:
 - Must have once been in the disk
 - **Ejected from disk:**
 - Outflowing gas which has kinetic energy greater than potential energy from the disk
- 100 Myr time resolution
- Start at $z = 3$



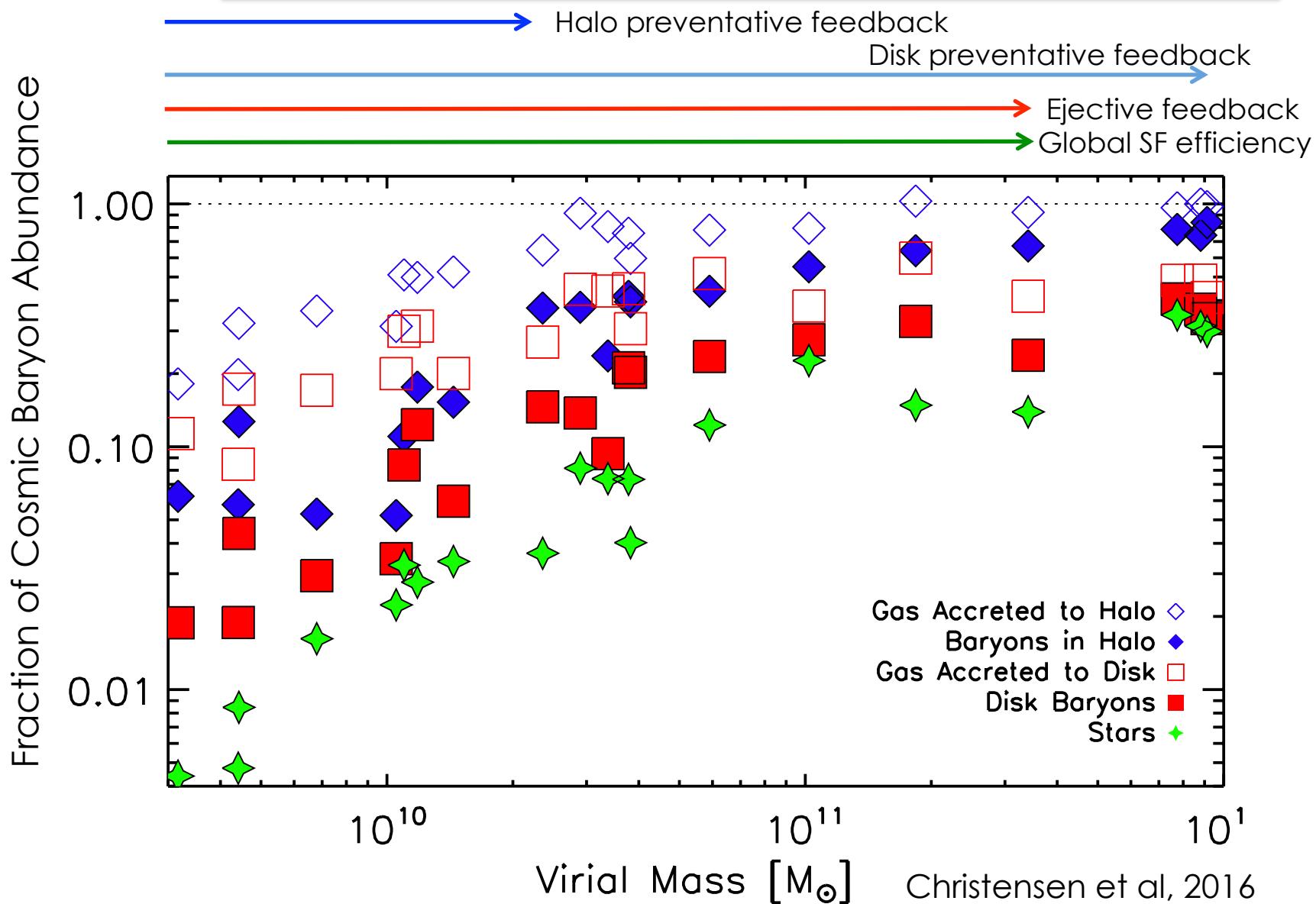
Stellar Mass Fraction vs. Halo Mass



Baryonic Fraction

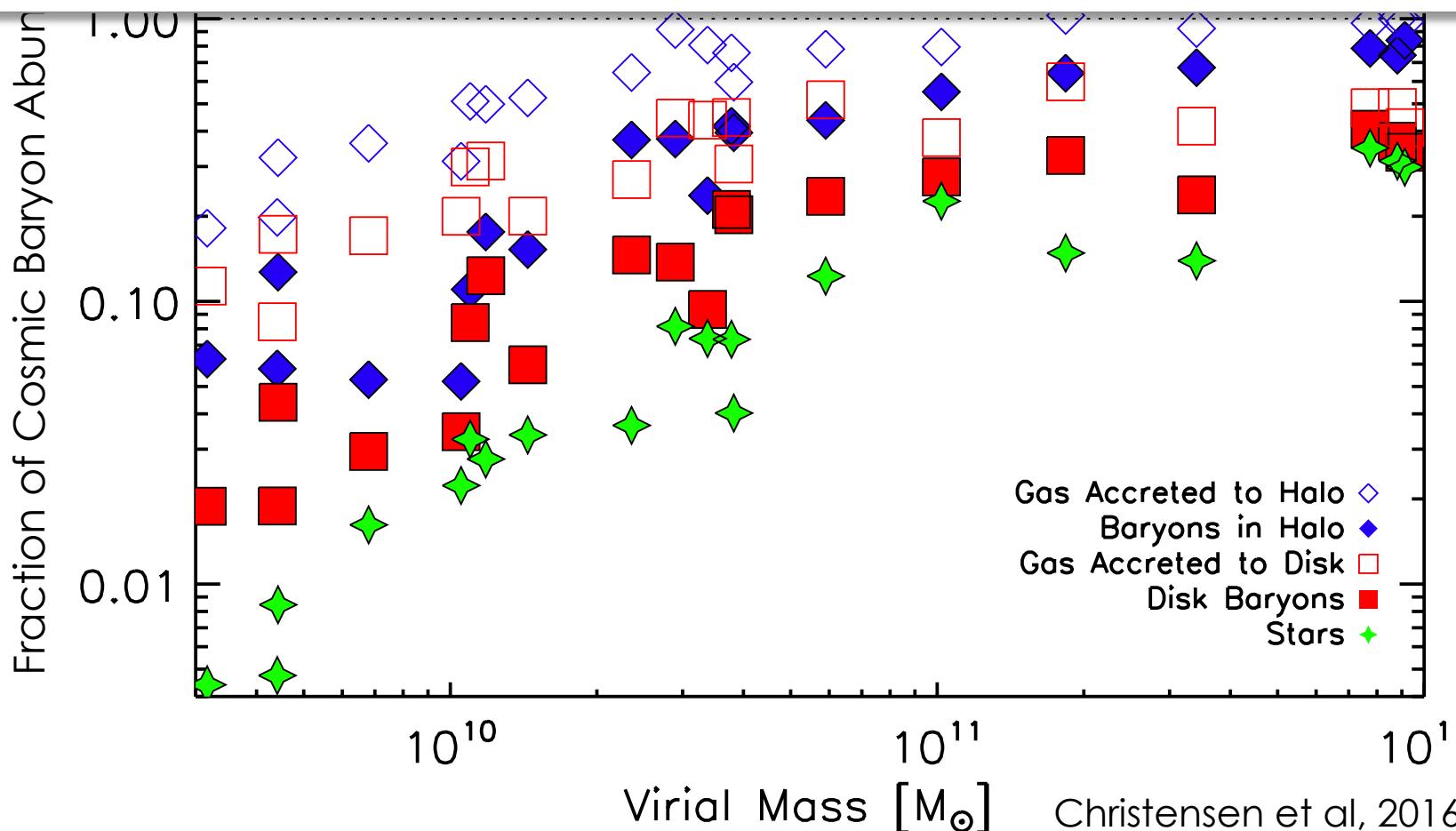


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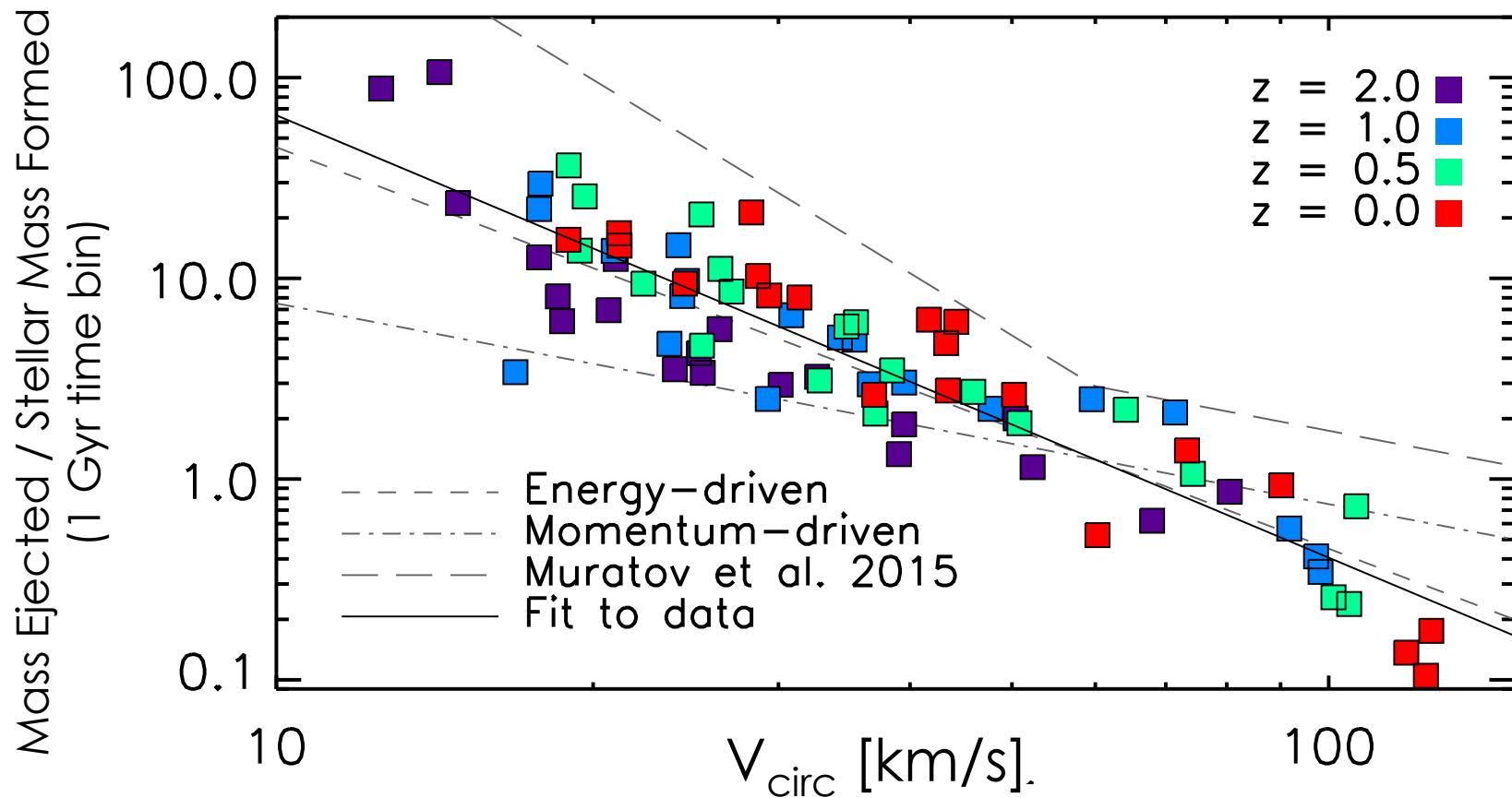


Baryonic Fraction

- Halo preventative feedback dominates at small masses
- Disk preventative feedback similar over all mass range studied
- Global star formation efficiency and ejective feedback are similarly effective and have decreasing efficiency with increasing galaxy mass

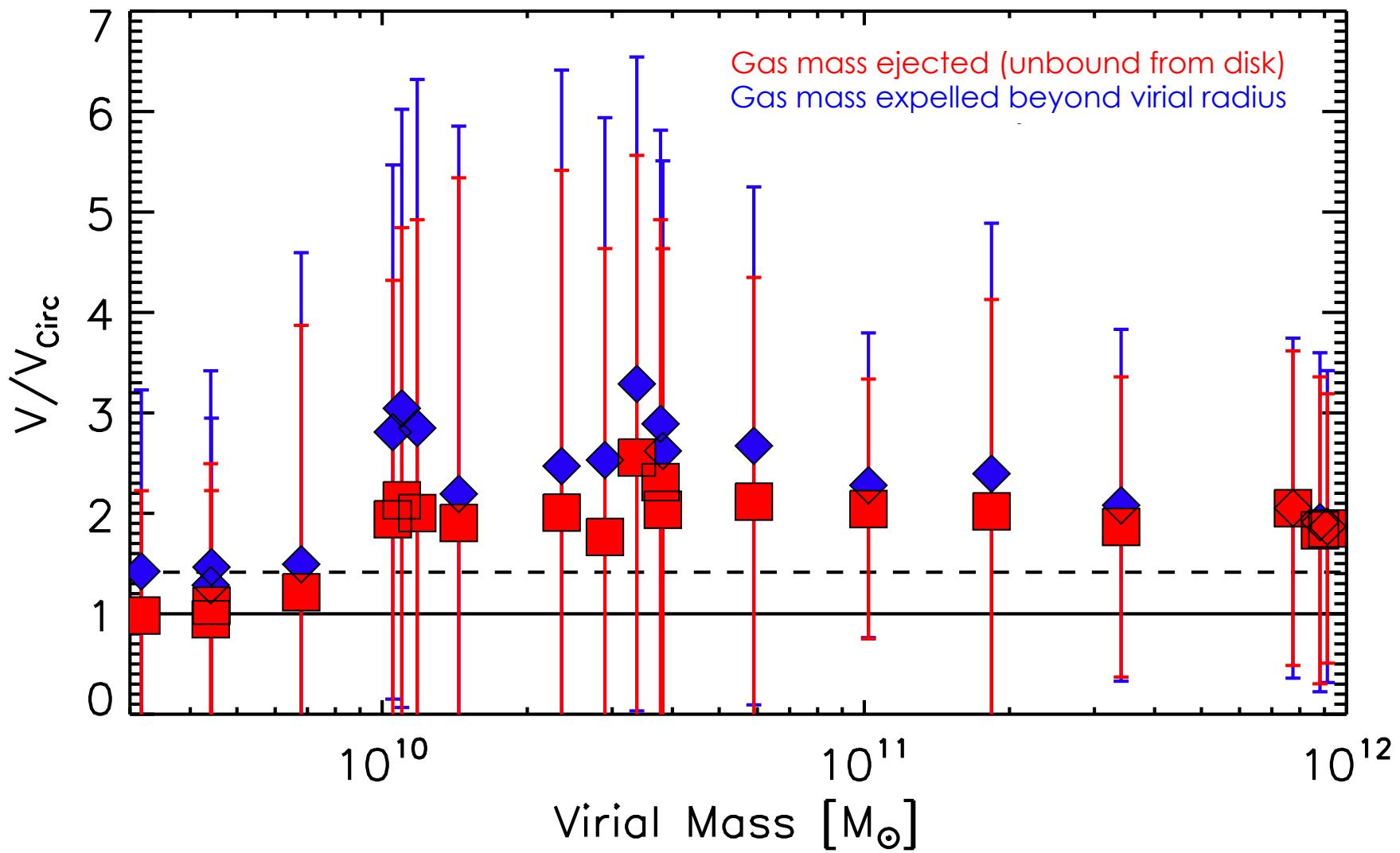


Mass Loading Factor for Ejected Material



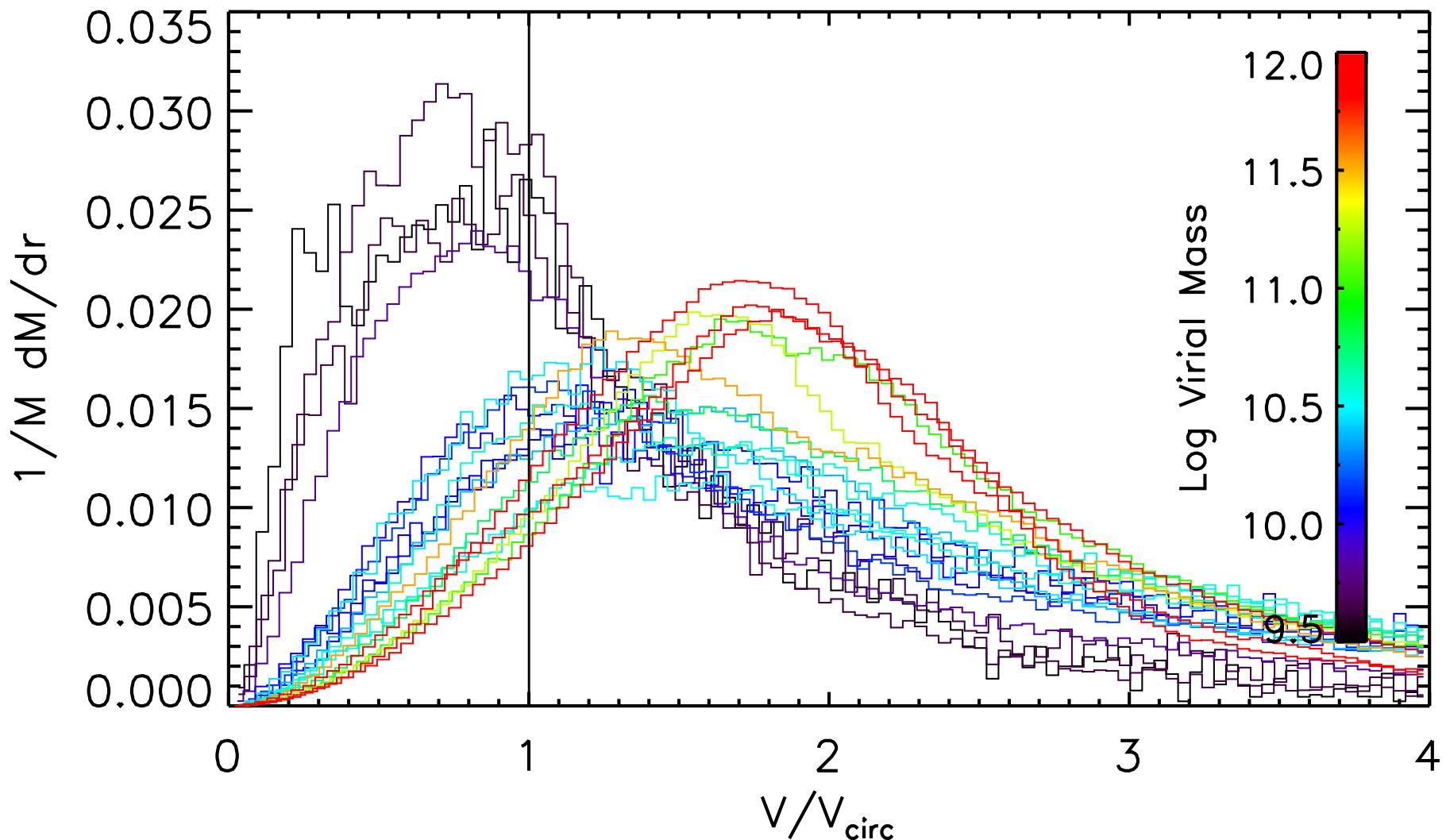
$\eta_{\text{ejected}} \propto V_{\text{circ}}^{-2.2}$, close to energy driven
No redshift evolution

Velocity of outflows



Christensen et al, 2016

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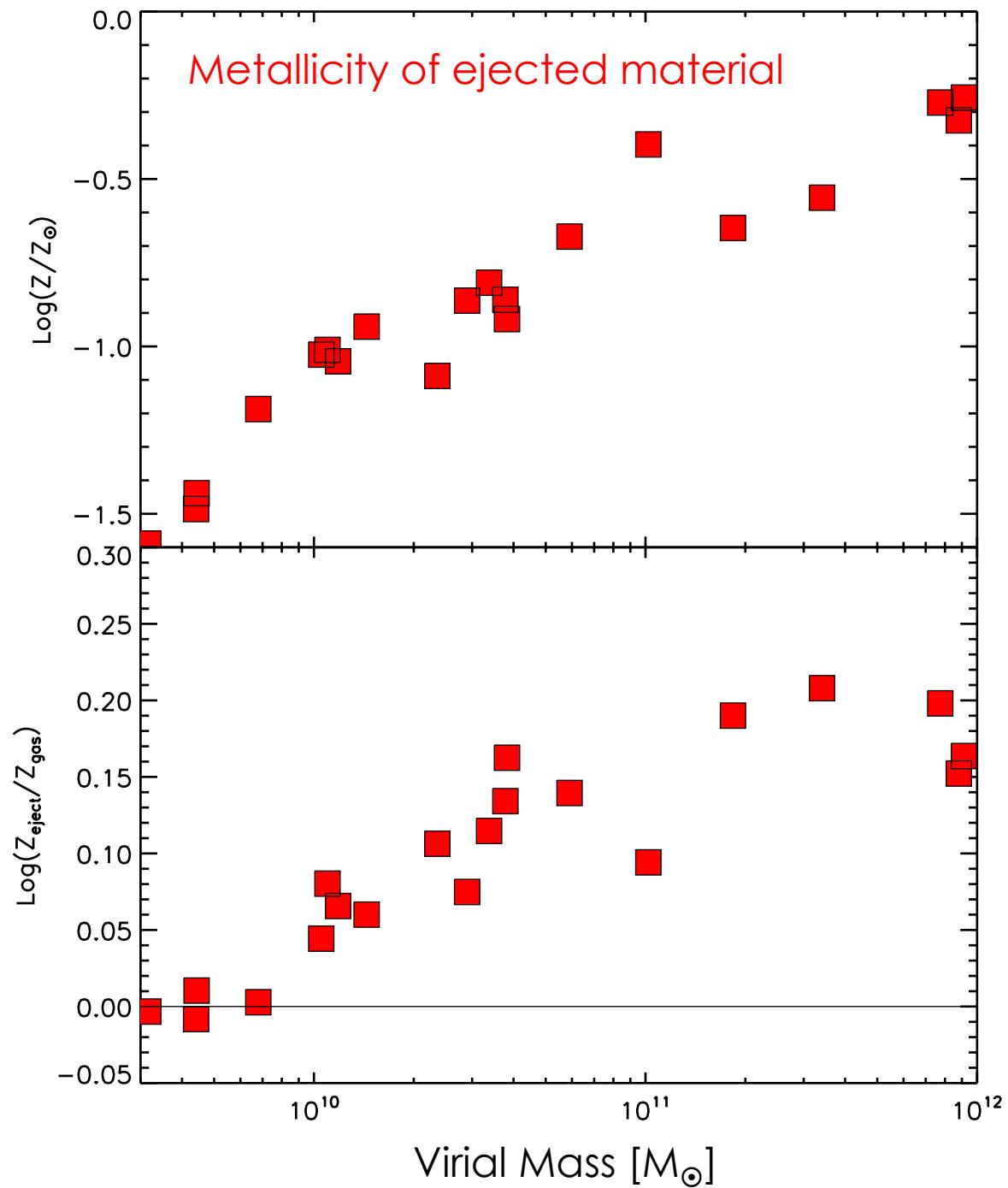


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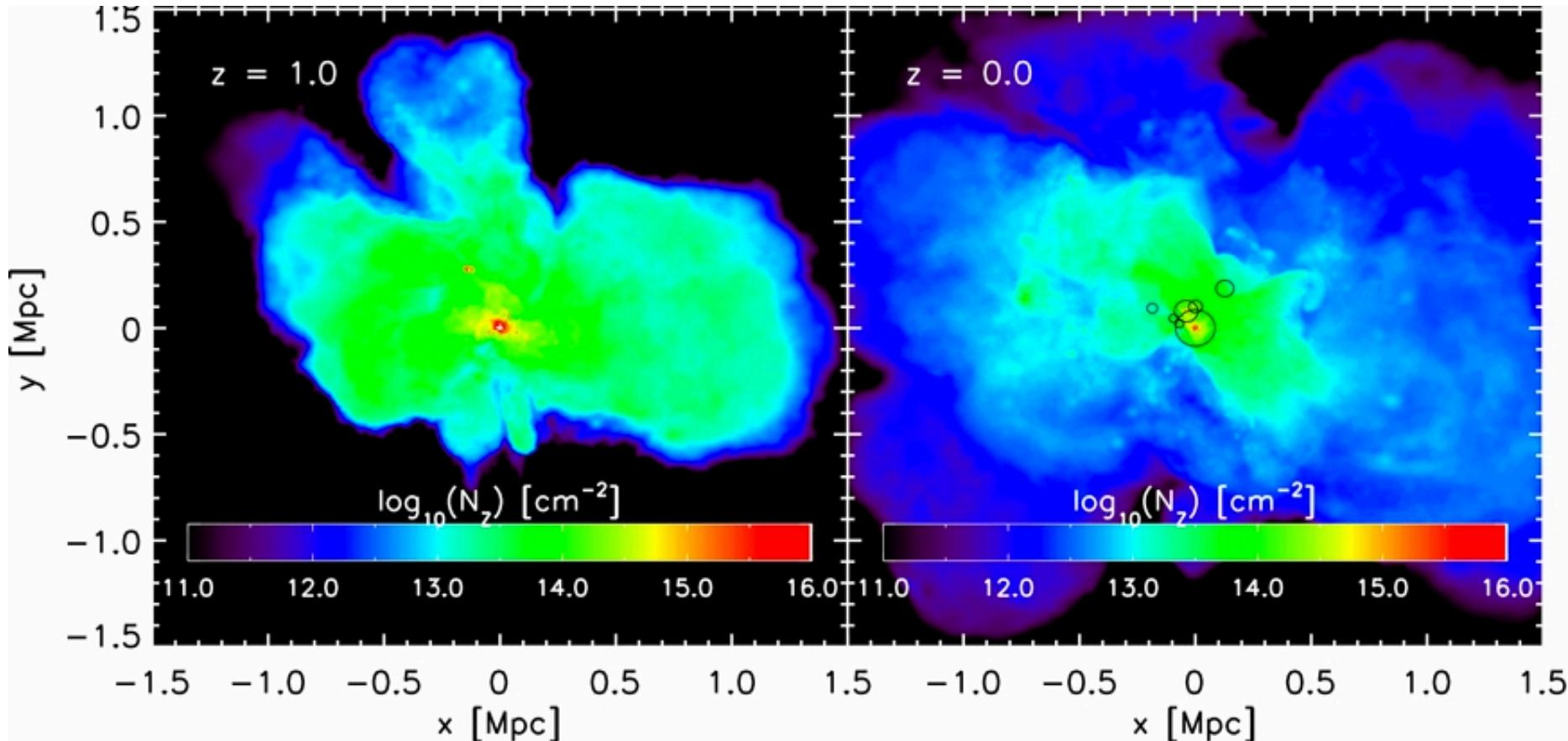
Metal Enrichment of Outflows

Outflows can be metal-enhanced compared to source ISM up to a factor of ~ 1.6 .

Less metal enhancement for dwarfs – because of greater mass loading? Greater entrainment?

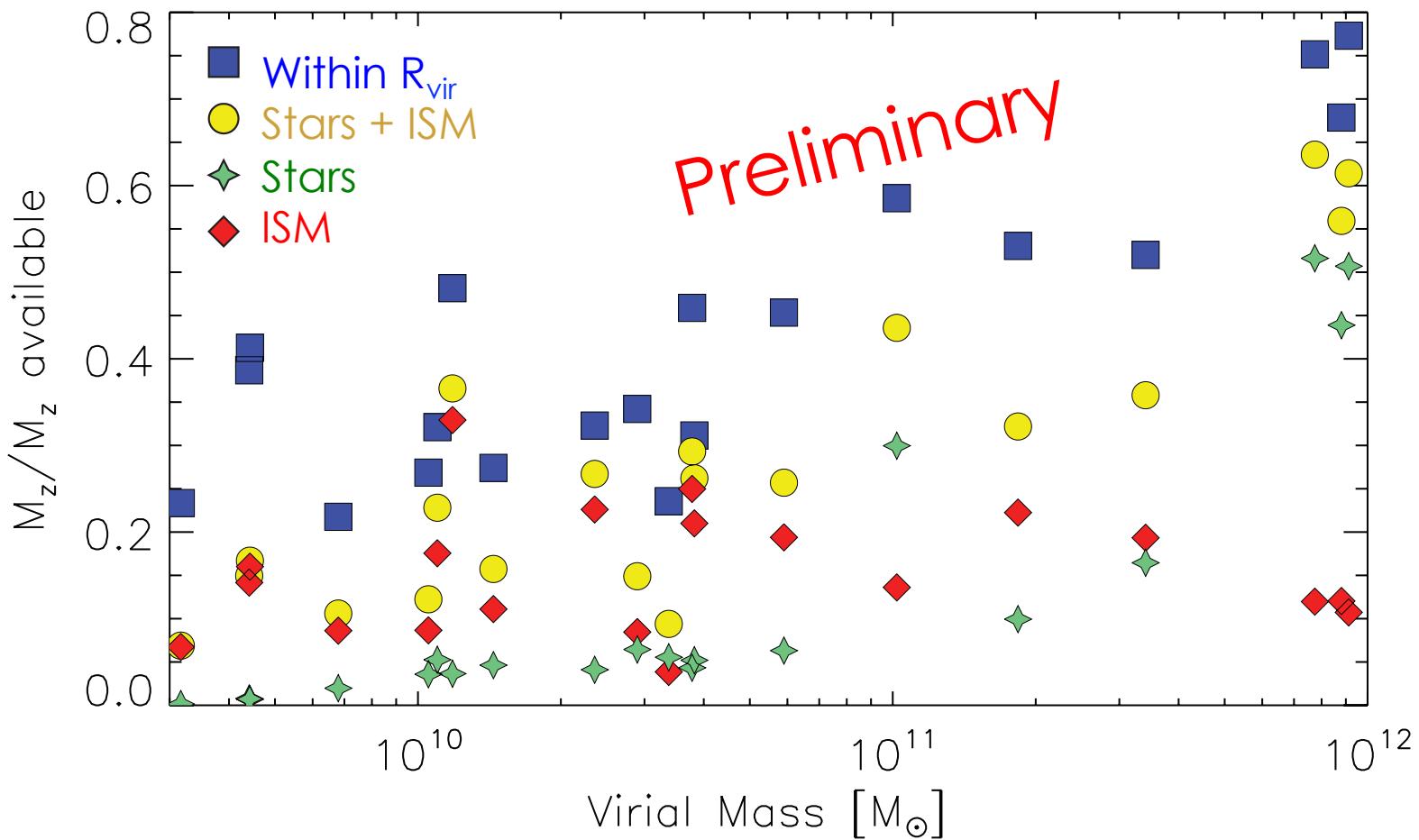


Metal enrichment around simulated dwarfs

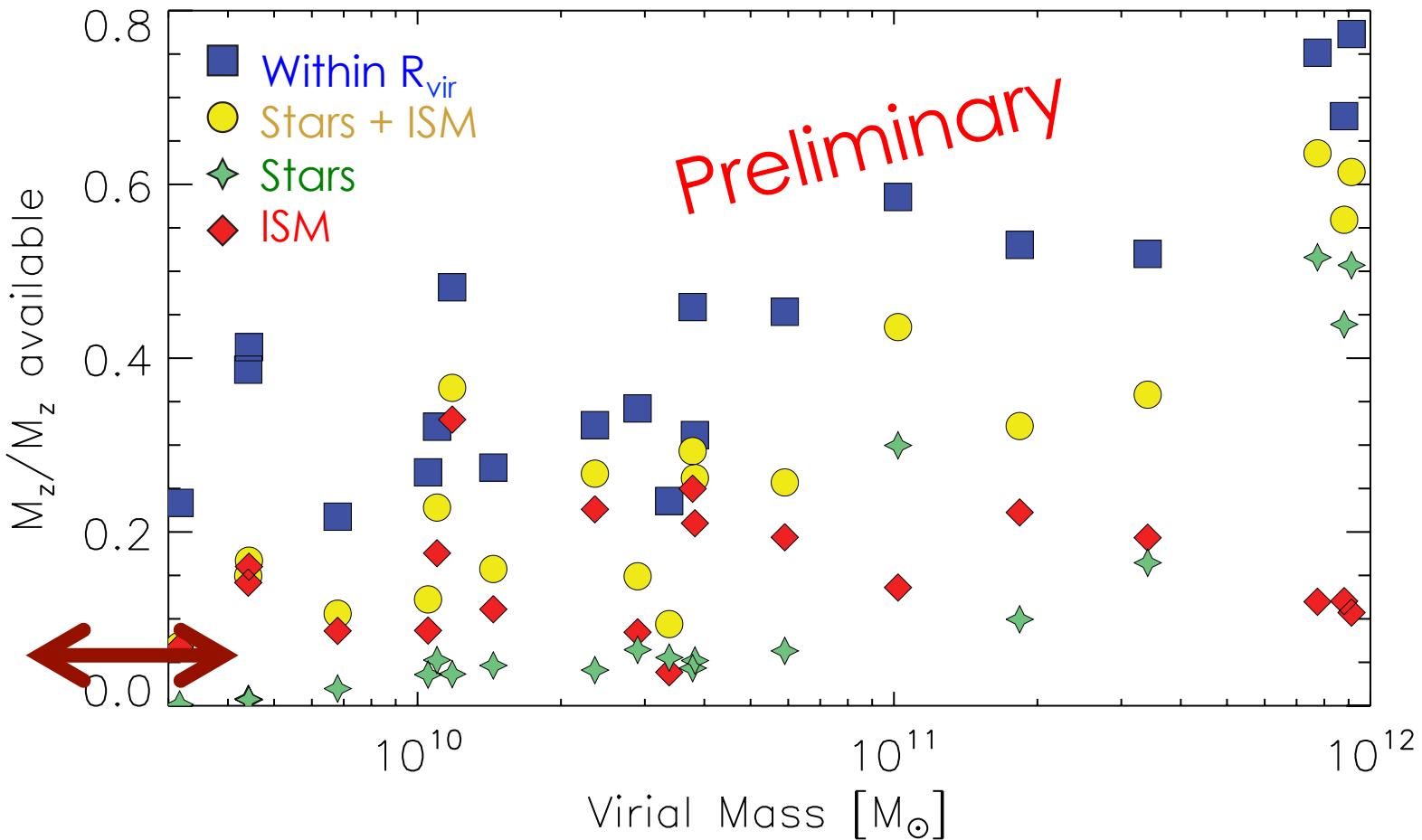


"By $z = 0$, >87% of all the metals produced are spread over a region of 3 comoving Mpc across" Shen et al., 2014

Eventual Location of Metals

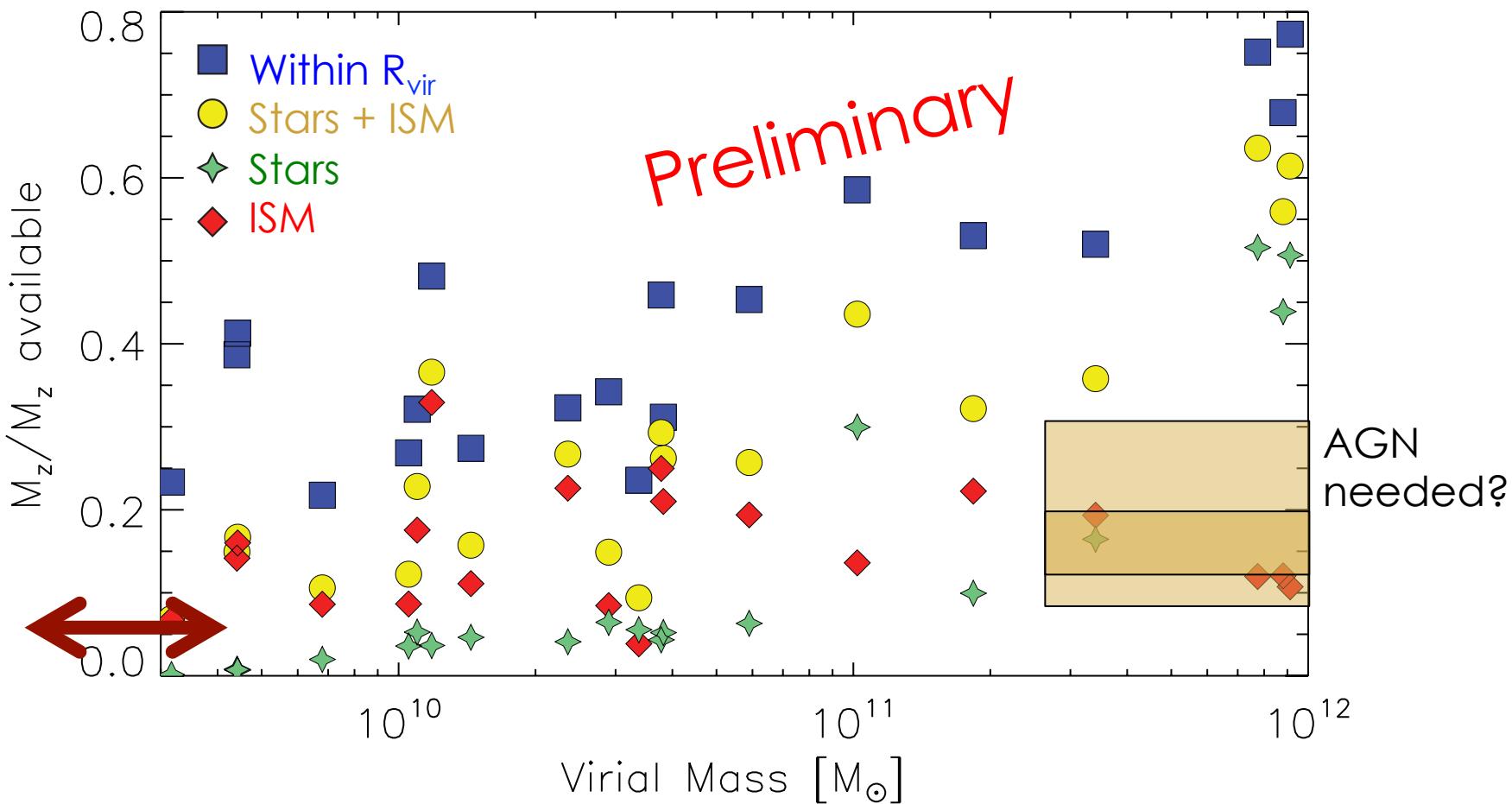


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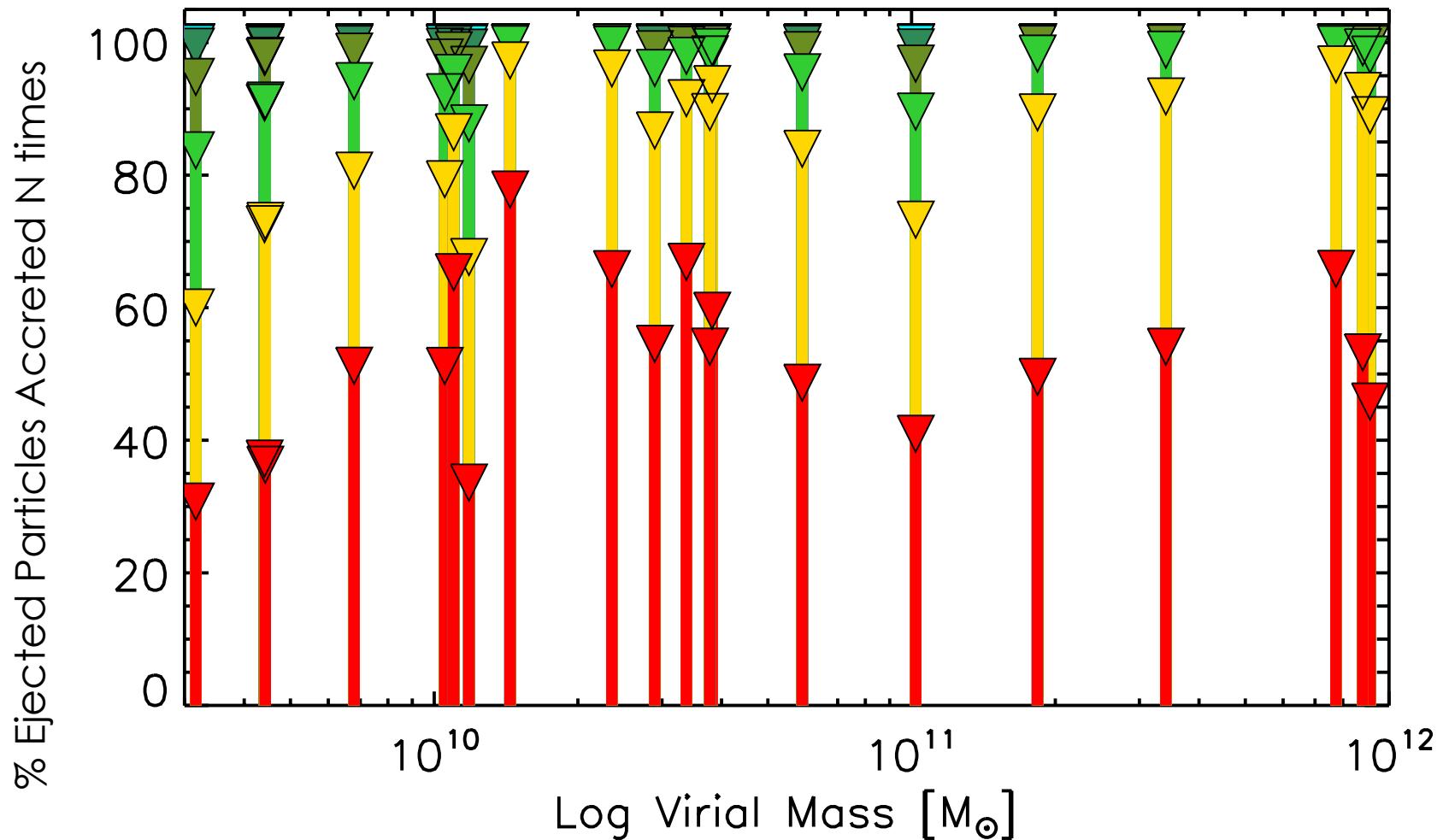
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$M_* \geq 10^{9.3} M_\odot$: 15 – 30 % of metals
remain in disk gas or stars
(Peeples+ 2014)

Number of Times a Particle is Reaccreted



Never Reaccreted

Reaccreted once

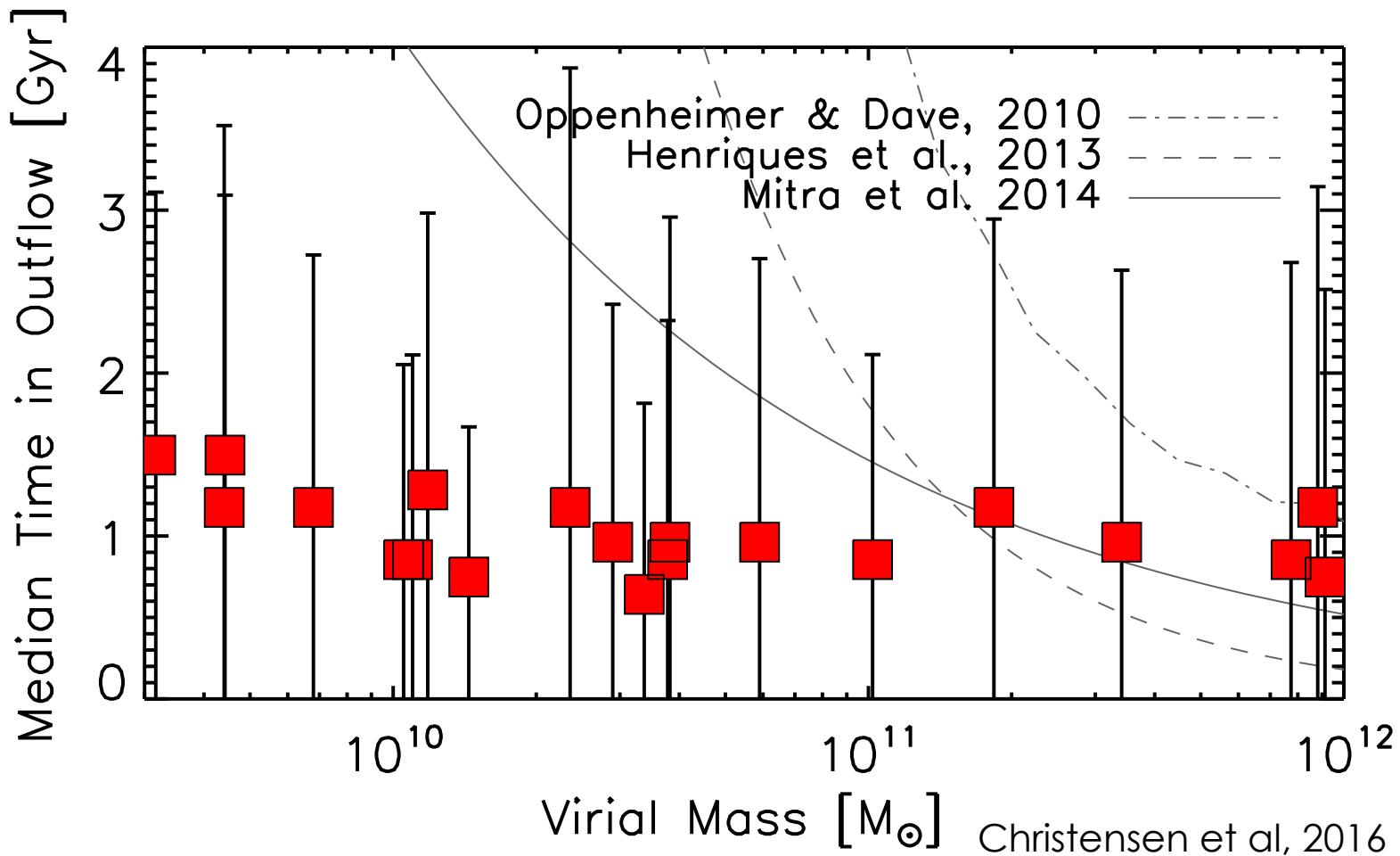
Reaccreted twice . . .

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Amount of Time Before Reaccretion

Very little mass-dependency in reaccretion time: $\propto M_{\text{halo}}^{-0.1}$

Similar to previous models at high mass, much lower at low mass

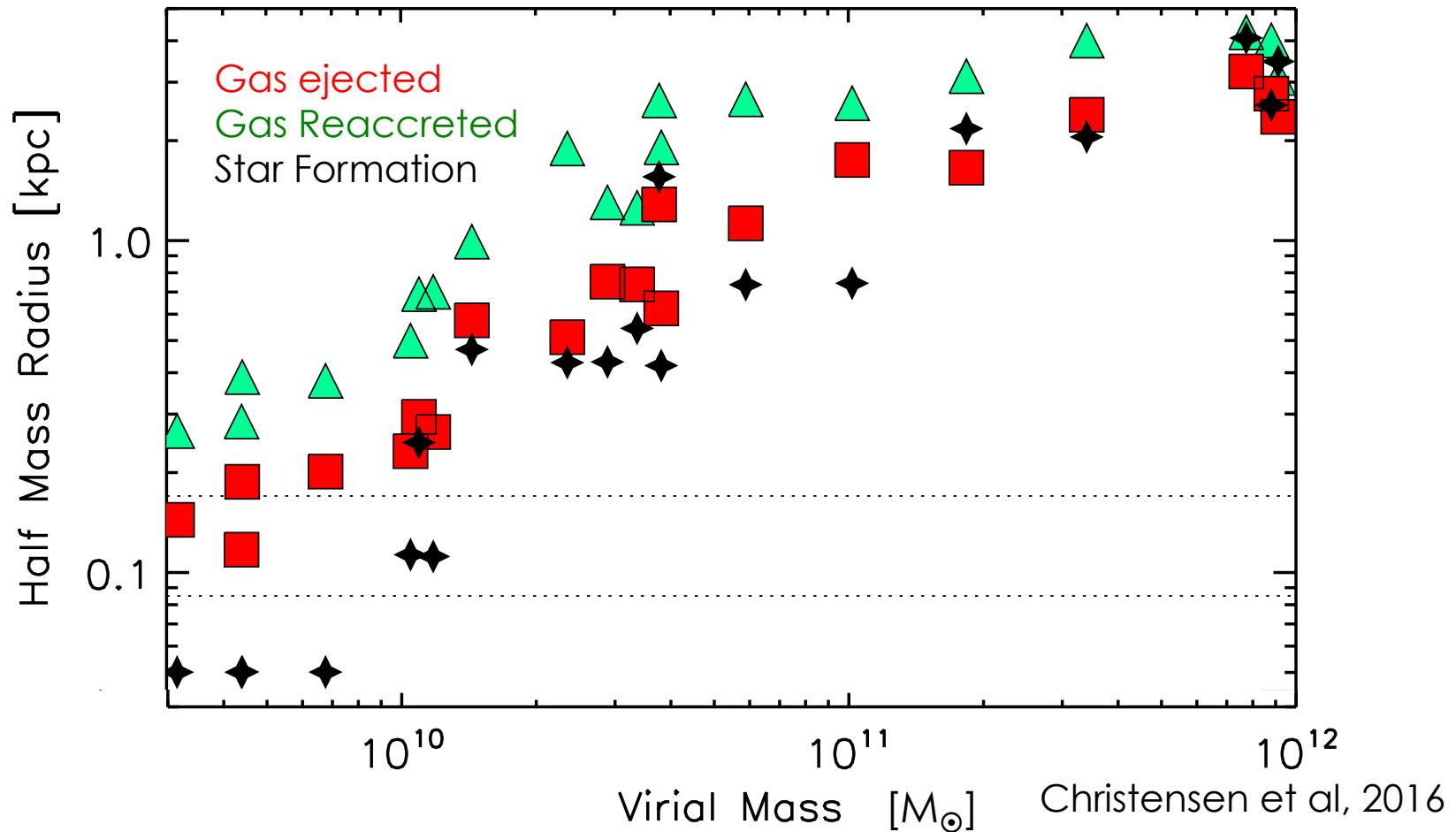


Source of ejected material/location of Reaccreted material

Outflows originate where stars form

Low-mass galaxies eject from slightly broader region

Reaccreted at systematically higher radii



Christensen et al, 2016

Summary

- Ejective feedback comparable to global SF efficiency in regulating SF
 - Mass loading consistent with energy driven analytic scaling produces realistic galaxies
 - Metals extremely efficiently removed from galaxies
 - Feedback preferentially removes matter from center; capable of limiting bulge growth
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- Scaling of mass loading at high gas surface densities and the amount and time scale of recycling are heavily model dependent in simulations
 - Need for comprehensive model of winds
 - CGM and ISM may be way to distinguish between wind models