CENTRALLY ENHANCED MASS-TO-LIGHT RATIOS IN LOW-MASS EARLY TYPE GALAXIES

EVIDENCE FOR BLACK HOLES?



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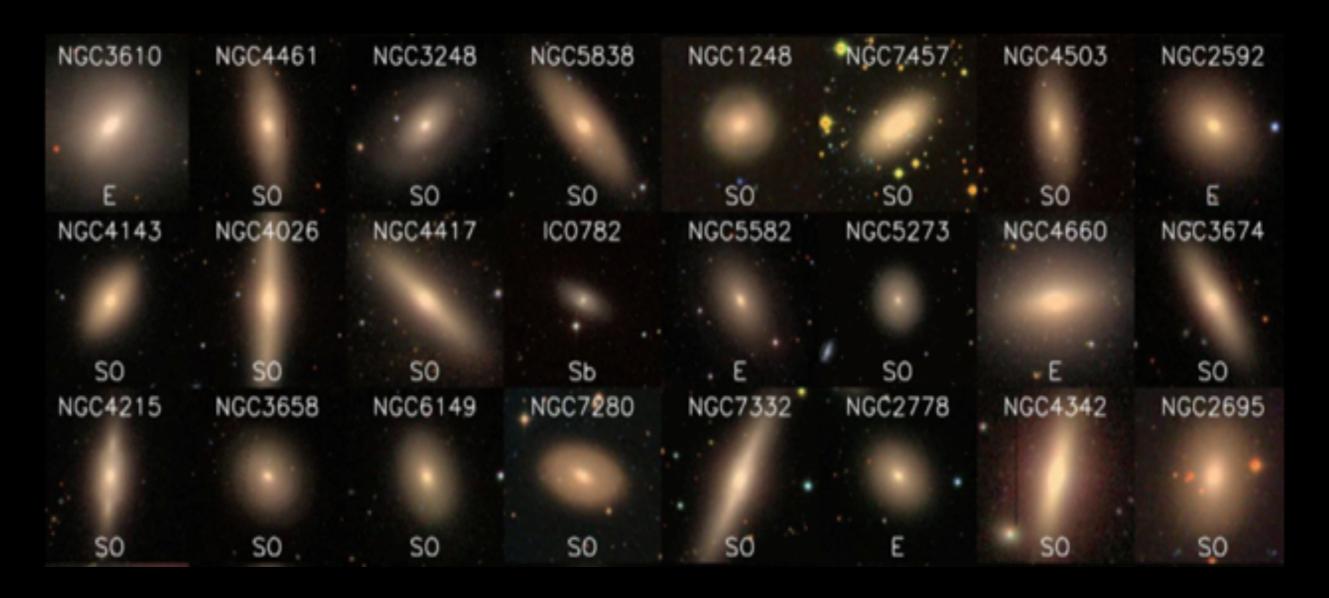
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Elliptical galaxies

Early type galaxies (ETGs) - E and S0 type, Red and Old

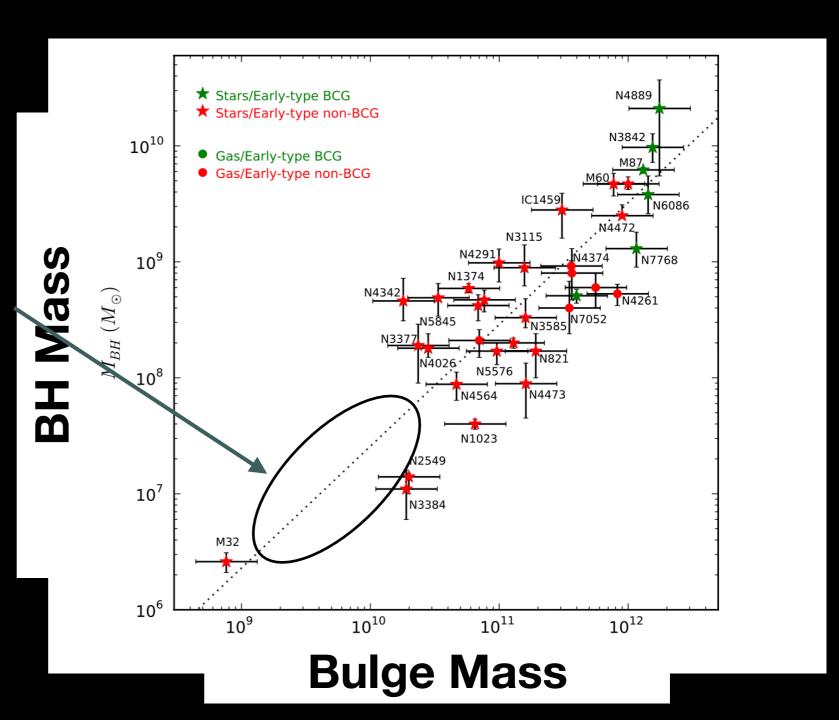




Importance of low-mass ellipticals

Few BH mass estimates on low-mass ellipticals $(3x10^9 \, M_{\odot} - 3x10^{10} \, M_{\odot})$

More measurements of BH masses are needed



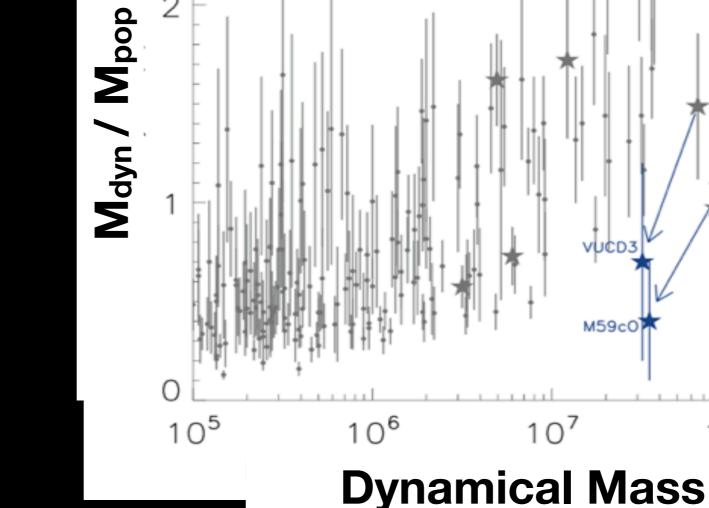
McConnell & Ma (2013)



Stripped ETGs

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Possibility of detection of BHs



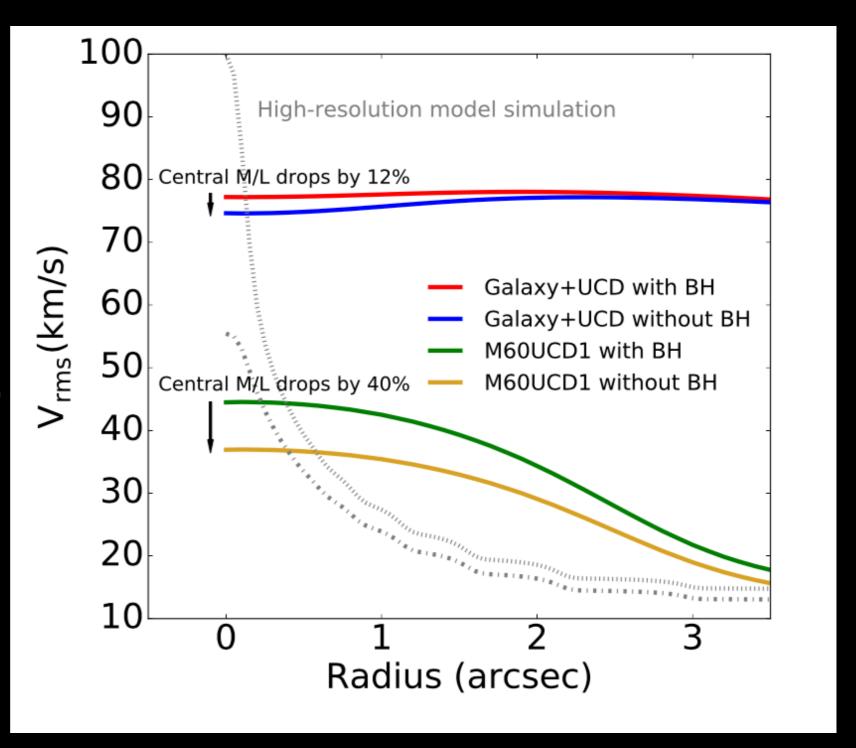
Mieske + 2013 Seth + 2014 Ahn + 2017



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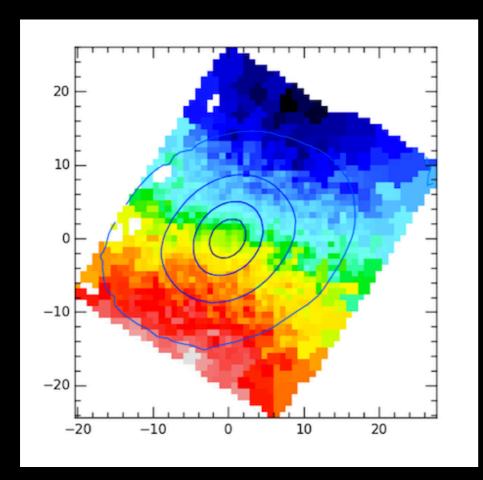
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Determining central M/L



Sample of 27 low mass ETGs

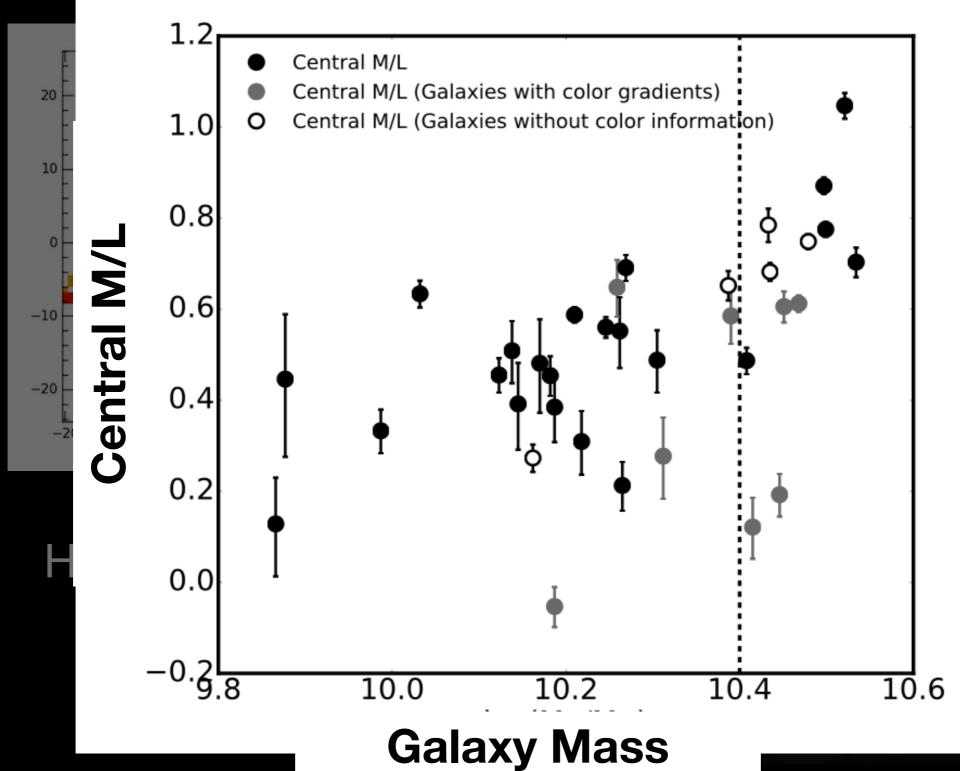
ATLAS^{3D} kinematic data (central velocity dispersion)

High resolution HST data





Determining central M/L



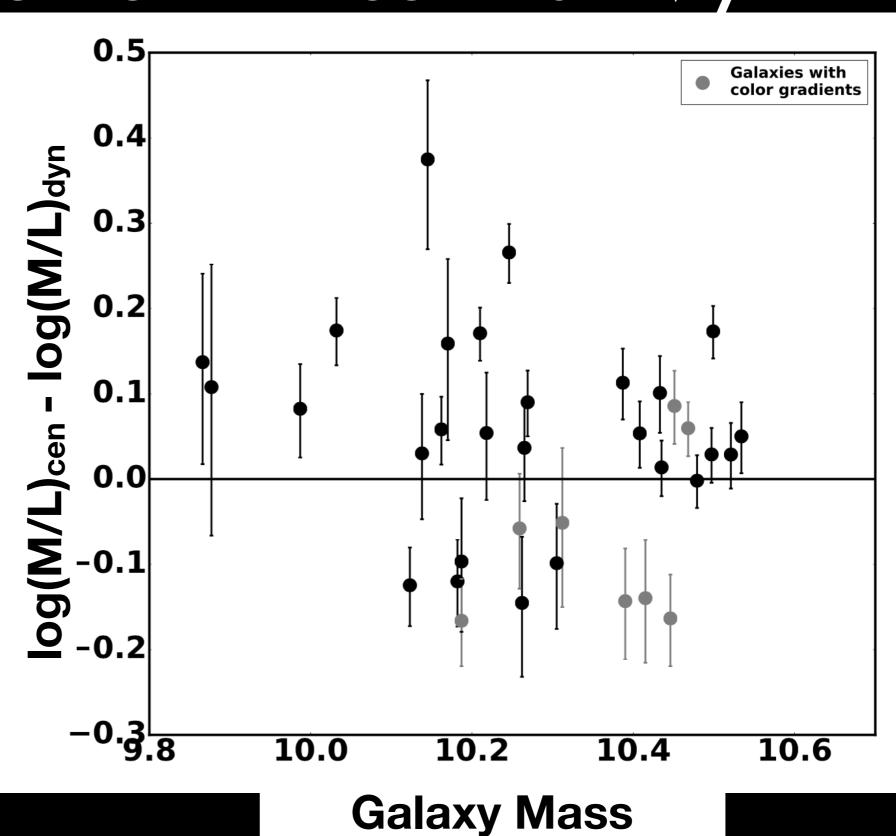
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Enhancement in central M/L

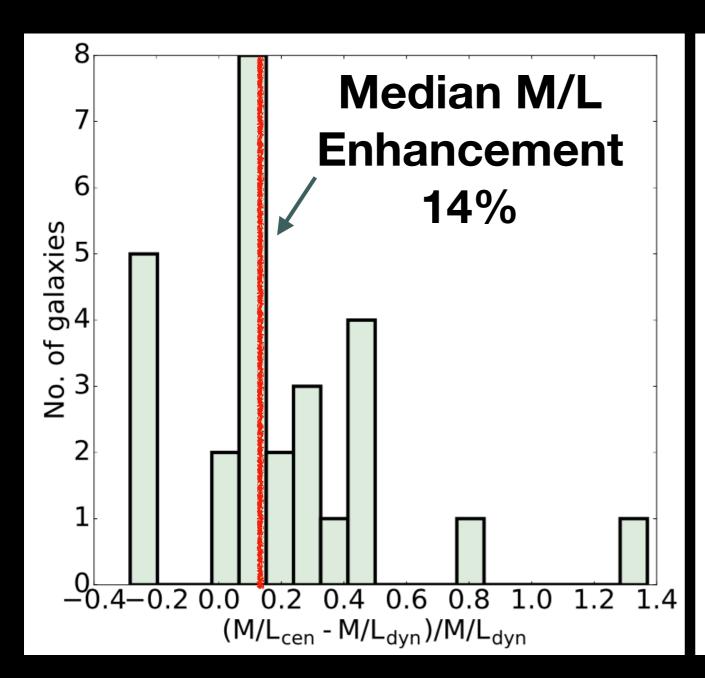
Comparing the central M/L with M/L derived by fitting the outer parts of the galaxy

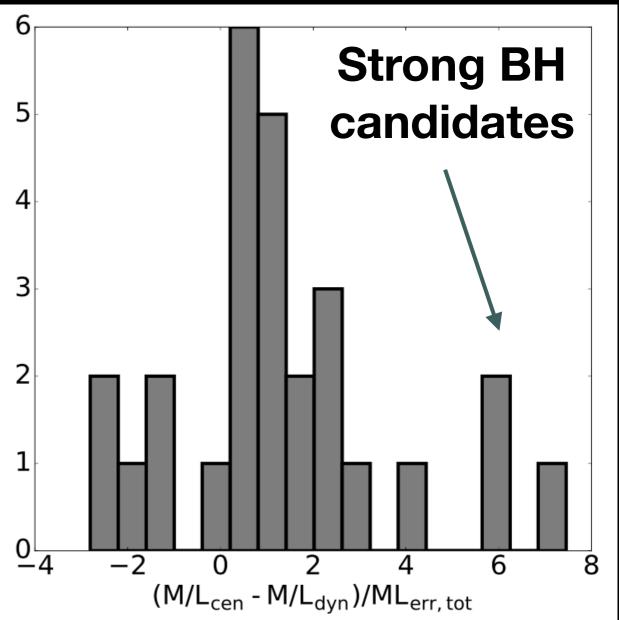
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Enhancement in central M/L







Conclusion

A central M/L enhancement of ~14 % is observed in the centers of these low mass elliptical galaxies

A strong possibility for the enhancement is the presence of BHs in these galaxies or Radial IMF variations?

Any questions, just shoot



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