

# The chemistry of dwarf galaxies in simulated Milky Way-mass systems

and how it relates to merger histories

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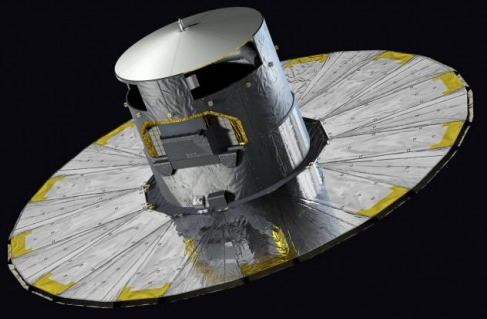
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# *How did the Milky Way form?*

*- Can we use the properties of **surviving** and/or **disrupted satellites** to understand the formation of our Galaxy?*



*ESA/Gaia/DPAC*



~10 Billion years ago

Gaia Enceladus

Milky Way Progenitor



## Gaia Discovery: The “Gaia-Enceladus” / “Sausage”

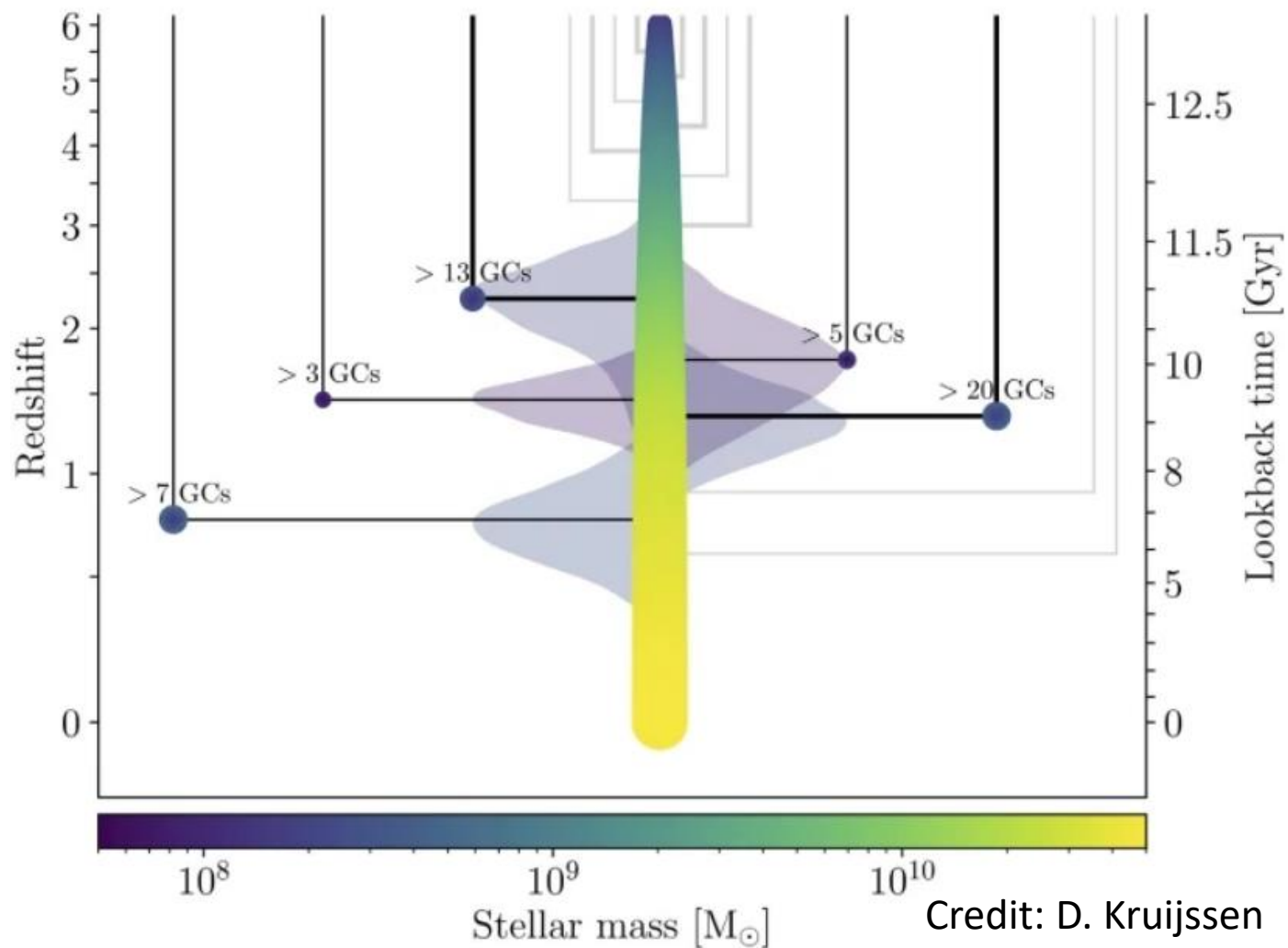
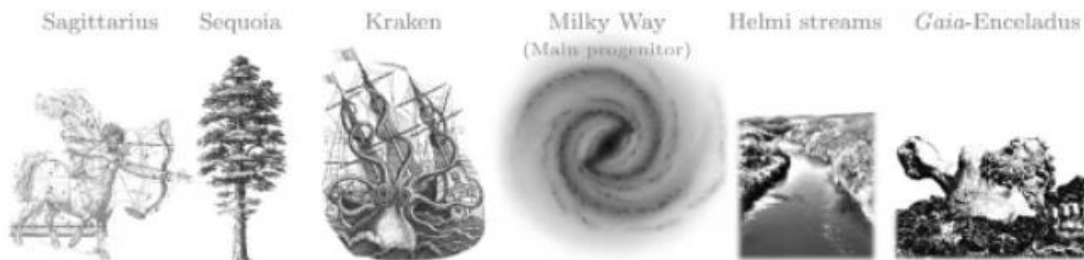
- an ancient merger with another galaxy of LMC-mass, ~ 9 Gyr ago.

Helmi et al (2018); Belokurov et al (2018).

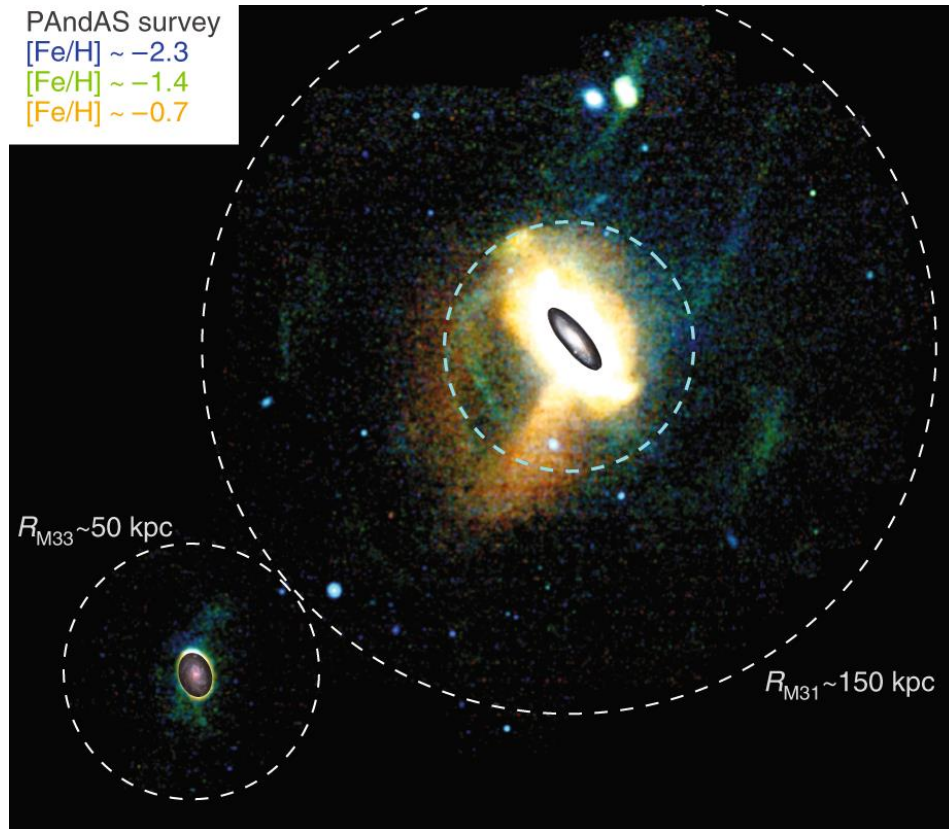


# Milky Way's 'family tree'

(i.e., the **merger tree**)

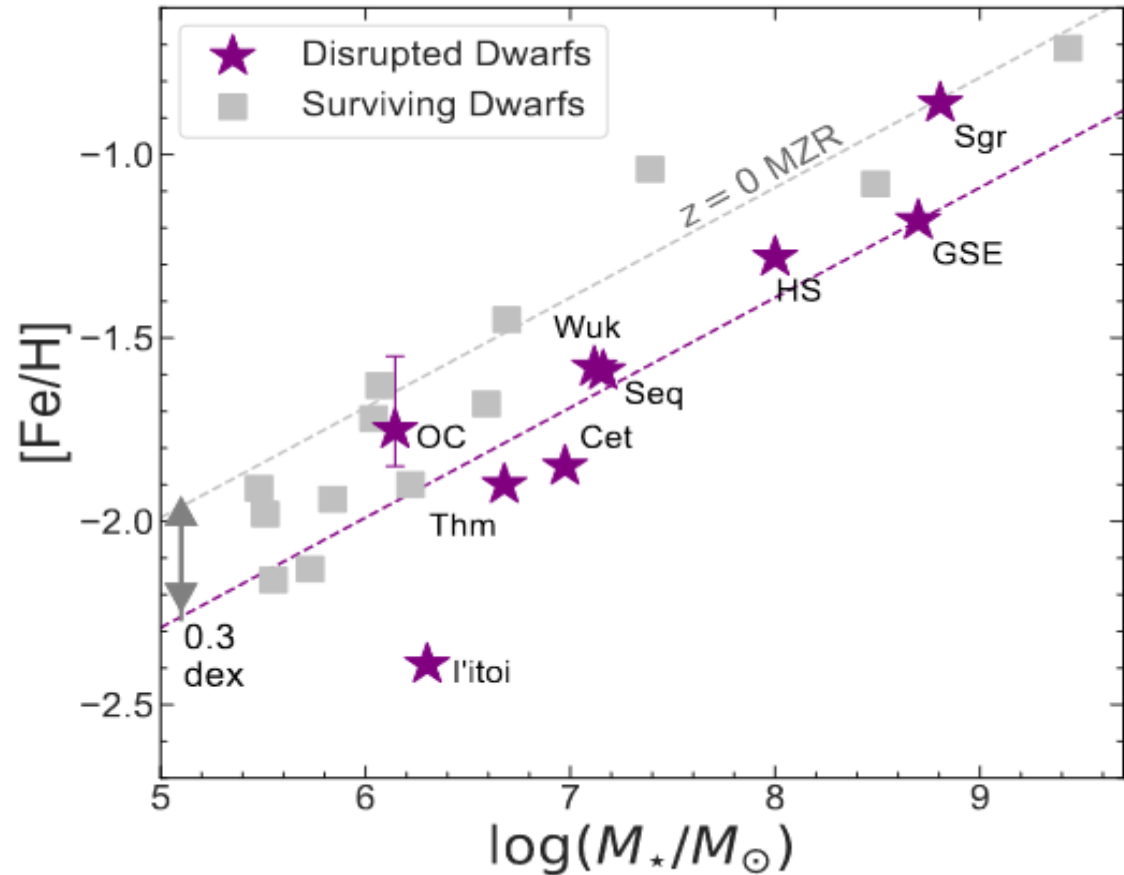


# Tidal debris from disrupted satellites can help constrain the **merger history** of the Galaxy.



## M31's stellar halo

PAndAS survey  
(Martin et al 2013)



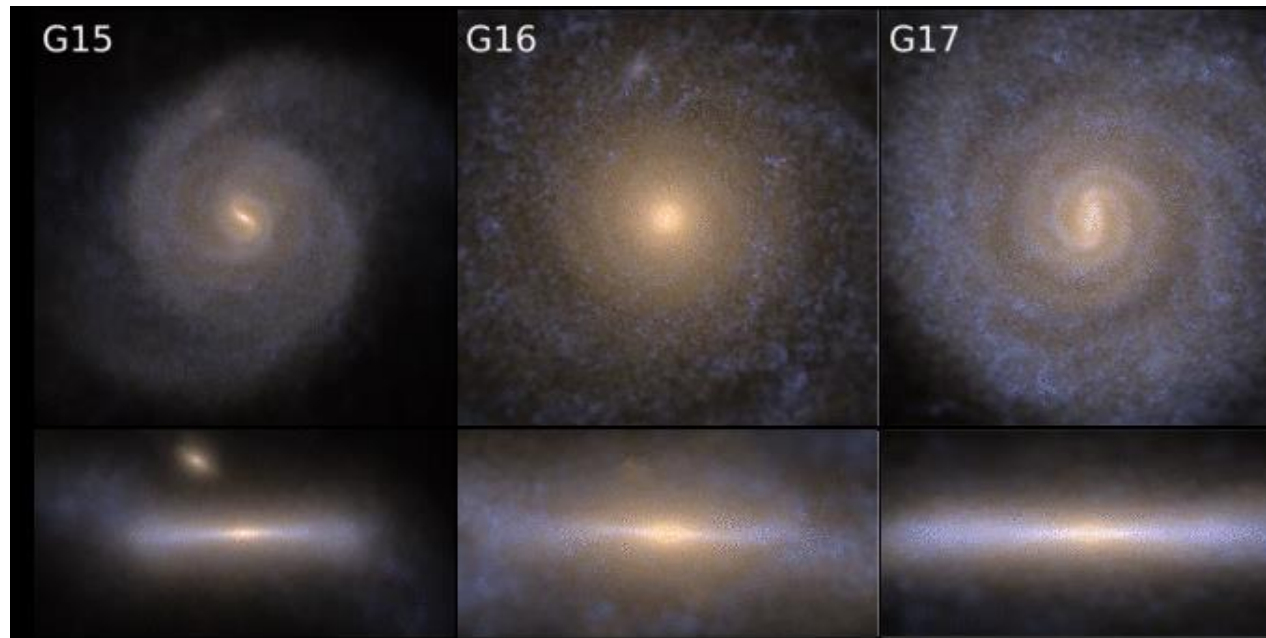
## MW satellites: mass – metallicity relation

Gaia DR2 + H3 survey + other obs  
(Fig 2 from Naidu et al 2022)

# ARTEMIS cosmological simulations

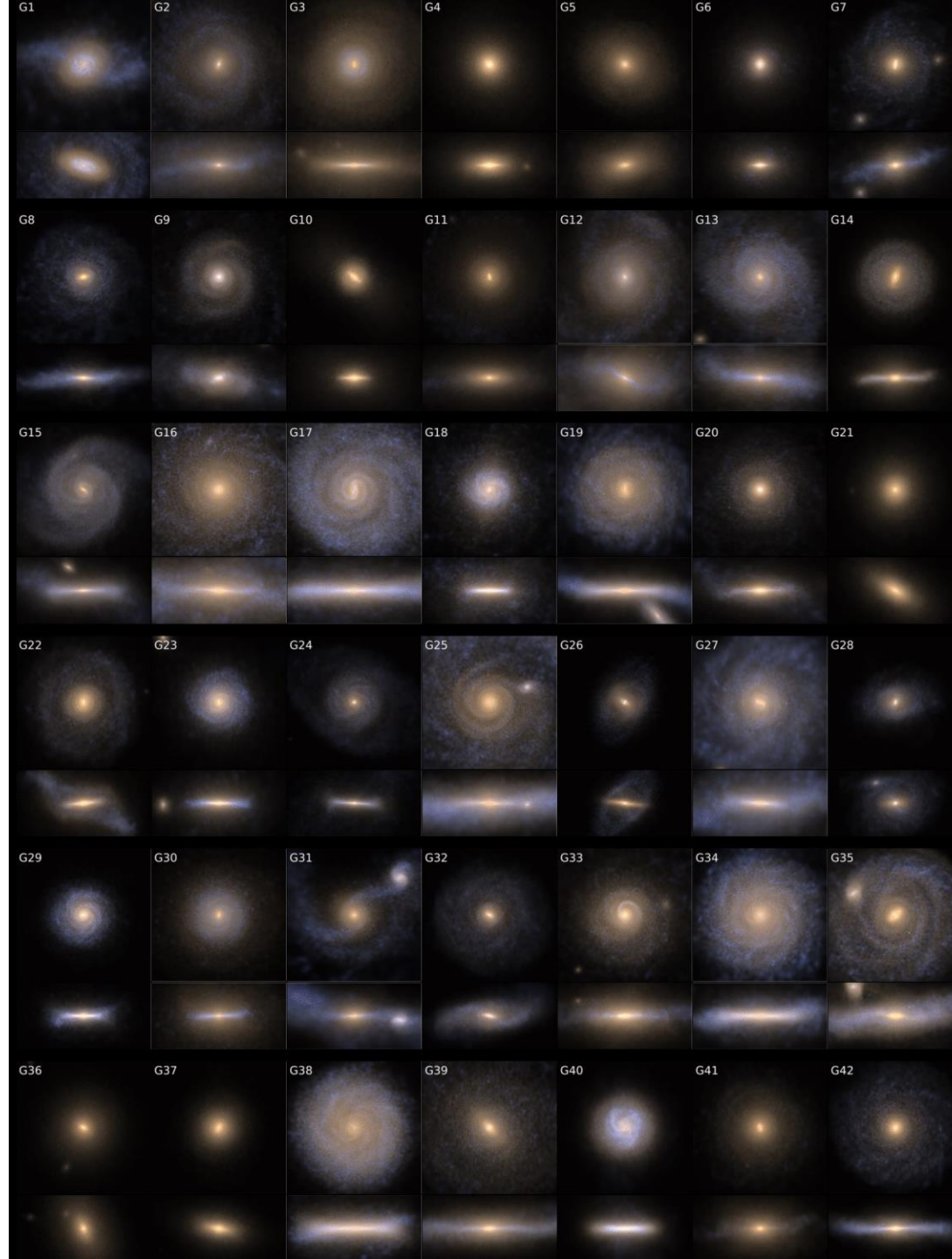
(Assembly of high-ResoluTion Eagle-simulations of Milky Way-type galaxieS)

- 45 MW analogues simulated in a  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology
- Milky Way mass range:  $M_{200} = 7 \times 10^{11} - 2 \times 10^{12} M_{\text{sun}}$
- High resolution:  $m_{\text{star}} \sim 10^4 M_{\text{Sun}}$ ,  $m_{\text{dm}} \sim 10^5 M_{\text{Sun}}$



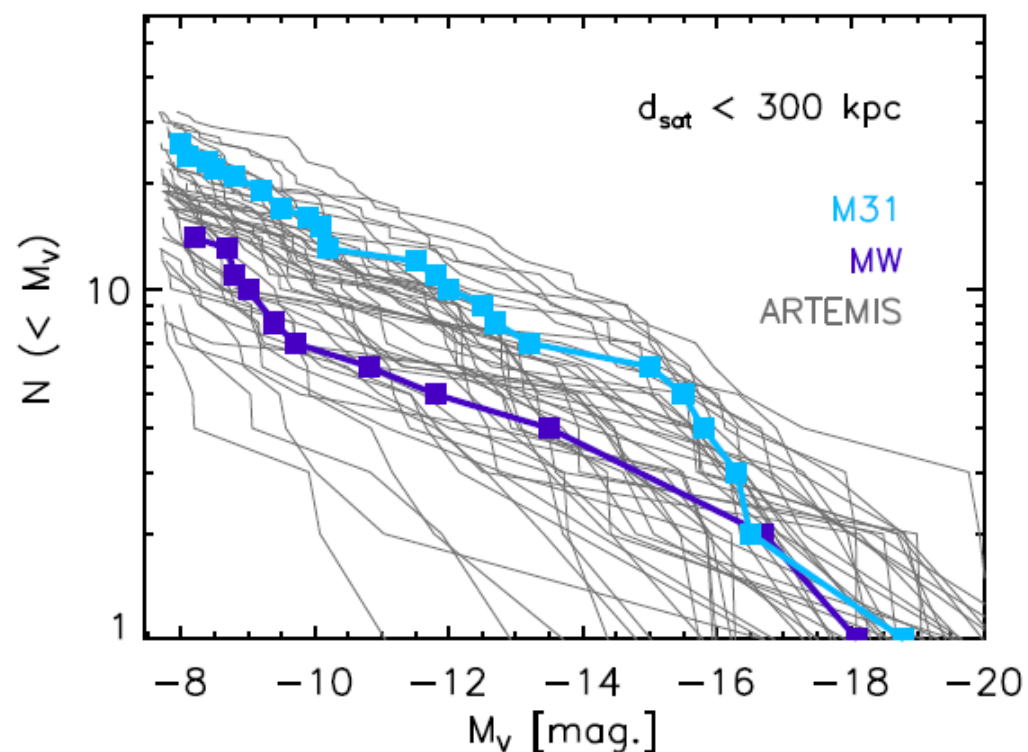
- ran with the 'EAGLE' hydrodynamical code (Schaye et al 2015)  
Include prescriptions for star formation, supernova feedback, stellar winds, reionization, AGN feedback, black hole growth.



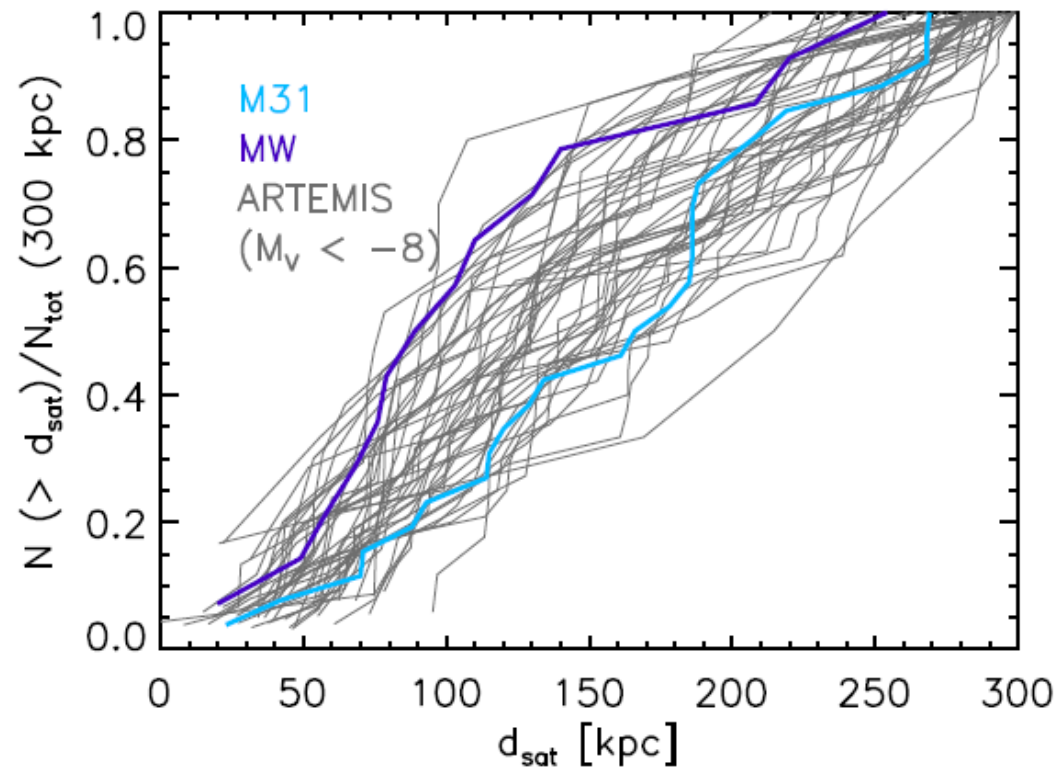


Font et al. 2020  
MNRAS, 498, 1765

# ARTEMIS: Luminosity functions (LFs) and radial distributions of surviving satellites



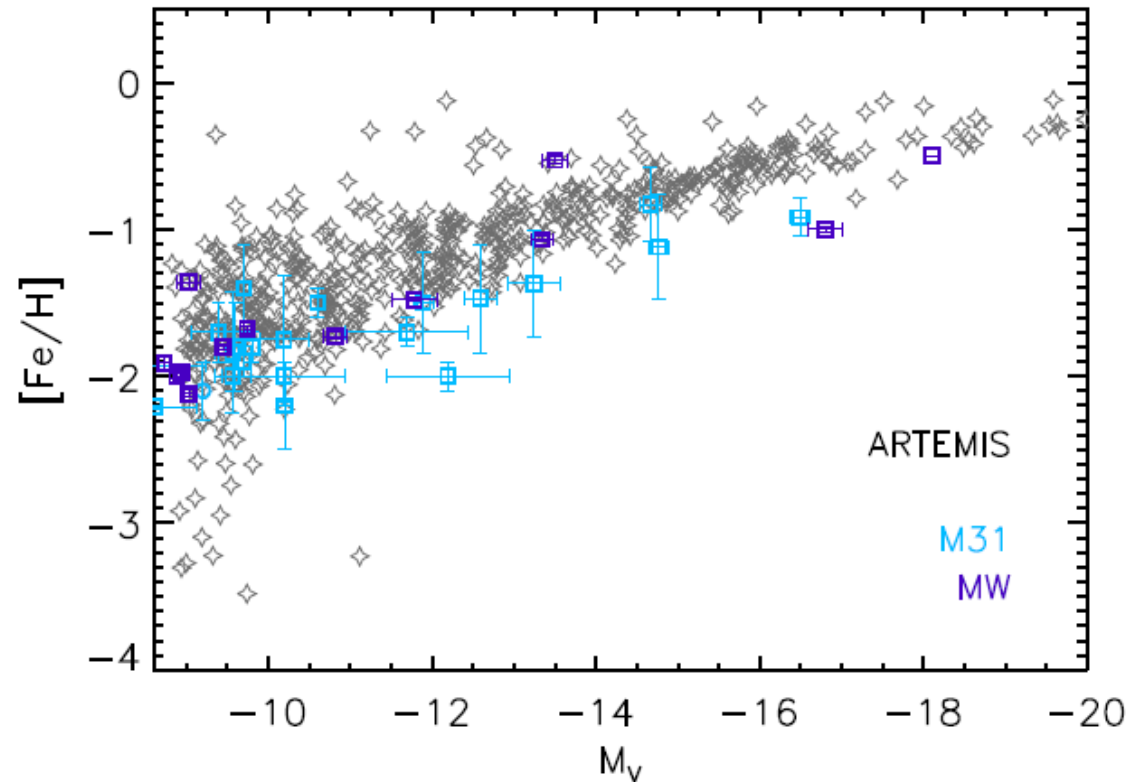
Observations:  
McConnachie 2012 + PAndAS survey.



Font, McCarthy & Belokurov (2021)



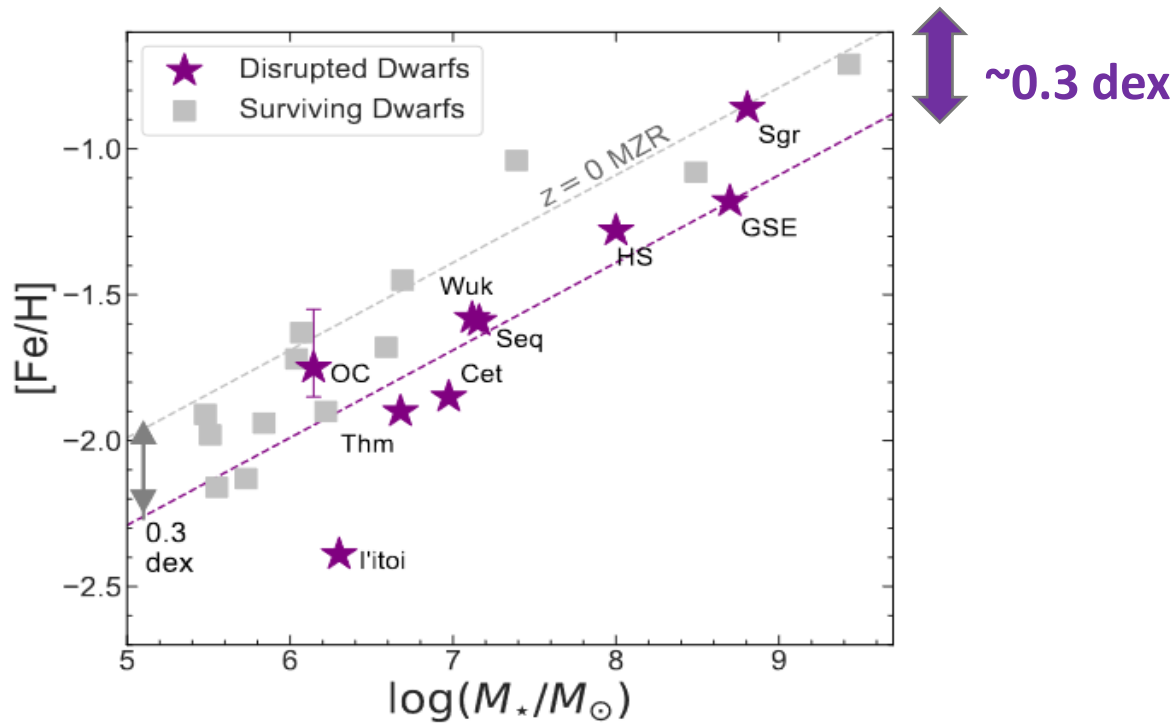
## Artemis: The $M_V - [\text{Fe}/\text{H}]$ relation of surviving satellites



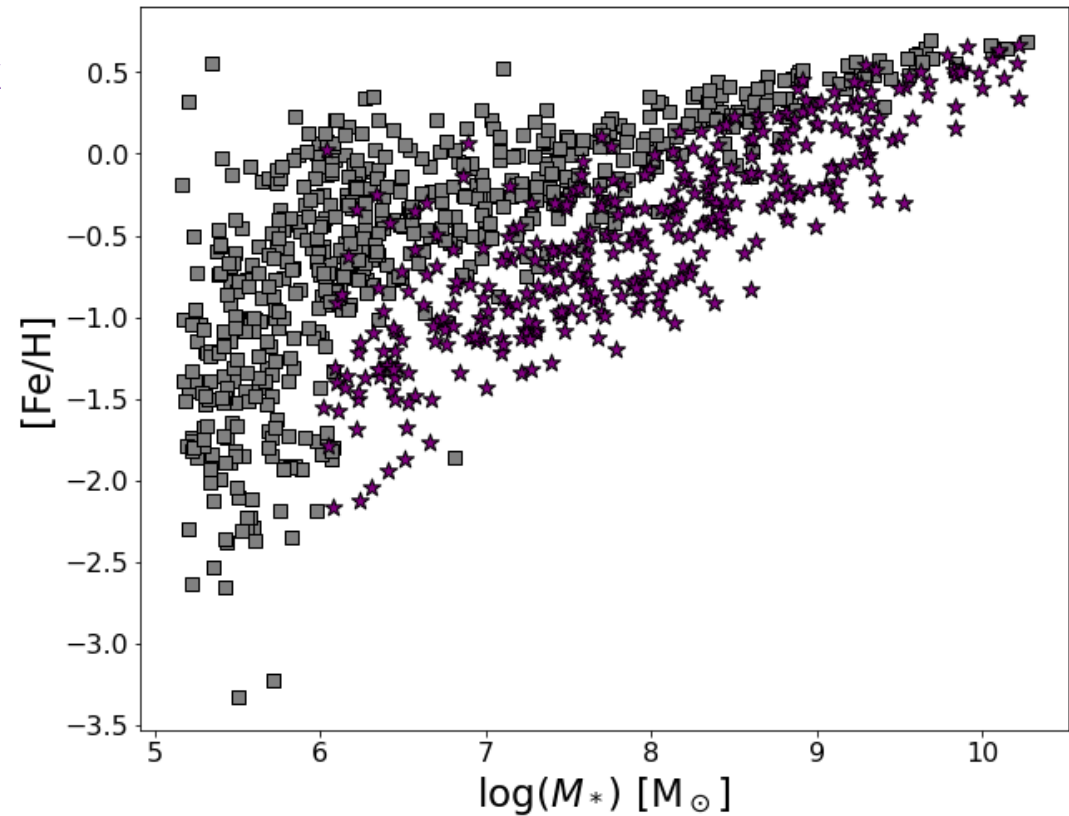
Simulated satellites vs the dwarf galaxies in the Local Group

Observations from Simon 2019, Kirby 2013, Collins et al 2014, Martin et al 2014, Kirby et al 2020.

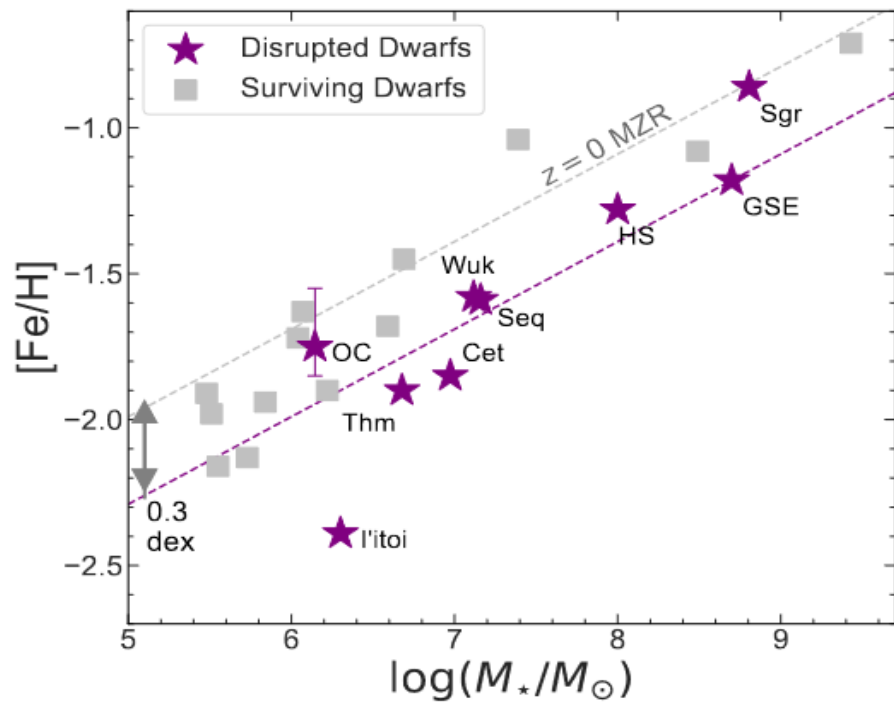
# Disrupted vs surviving dwarf galaxies: [Fe/H] – $M_*$ relation



In the Milky Way  
(Naidu et al 2022)



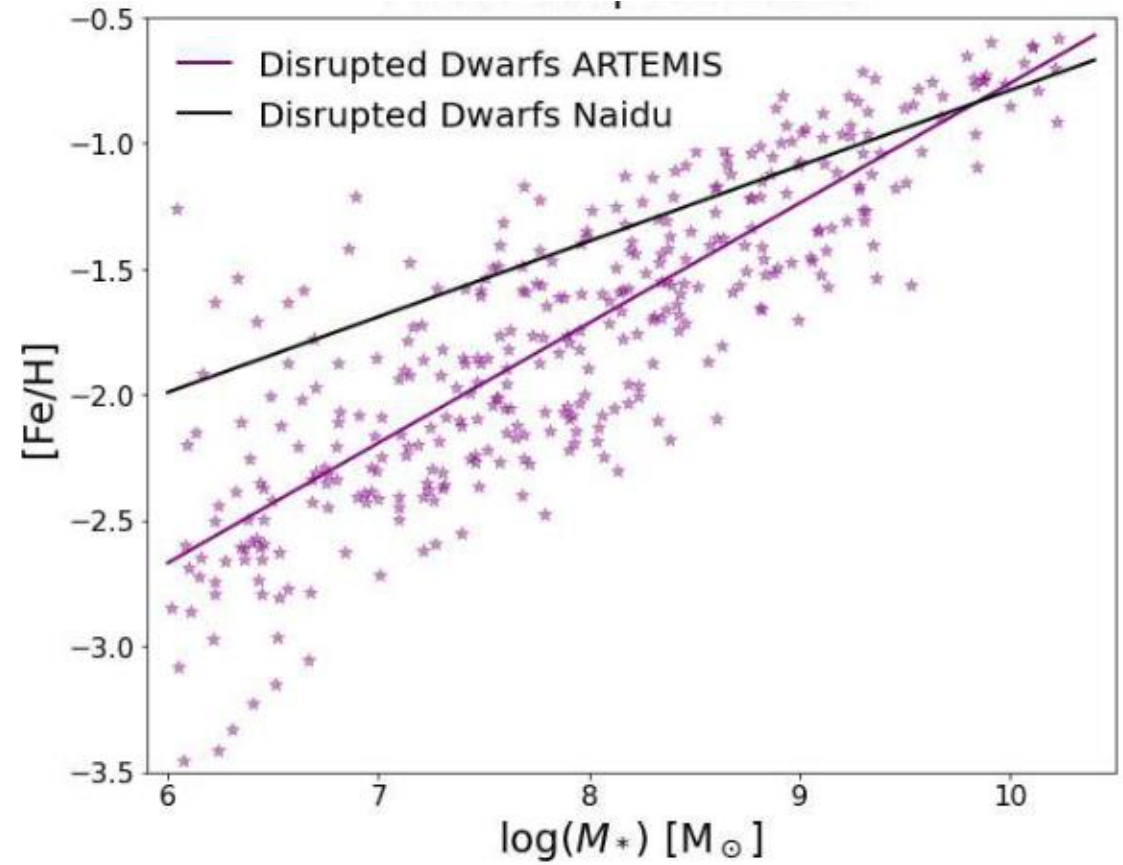
In the Artemis simulations; 45 MW-mass systems  
(Gramozzi, AF, de Rossi in prep)



Naidu et al 2022

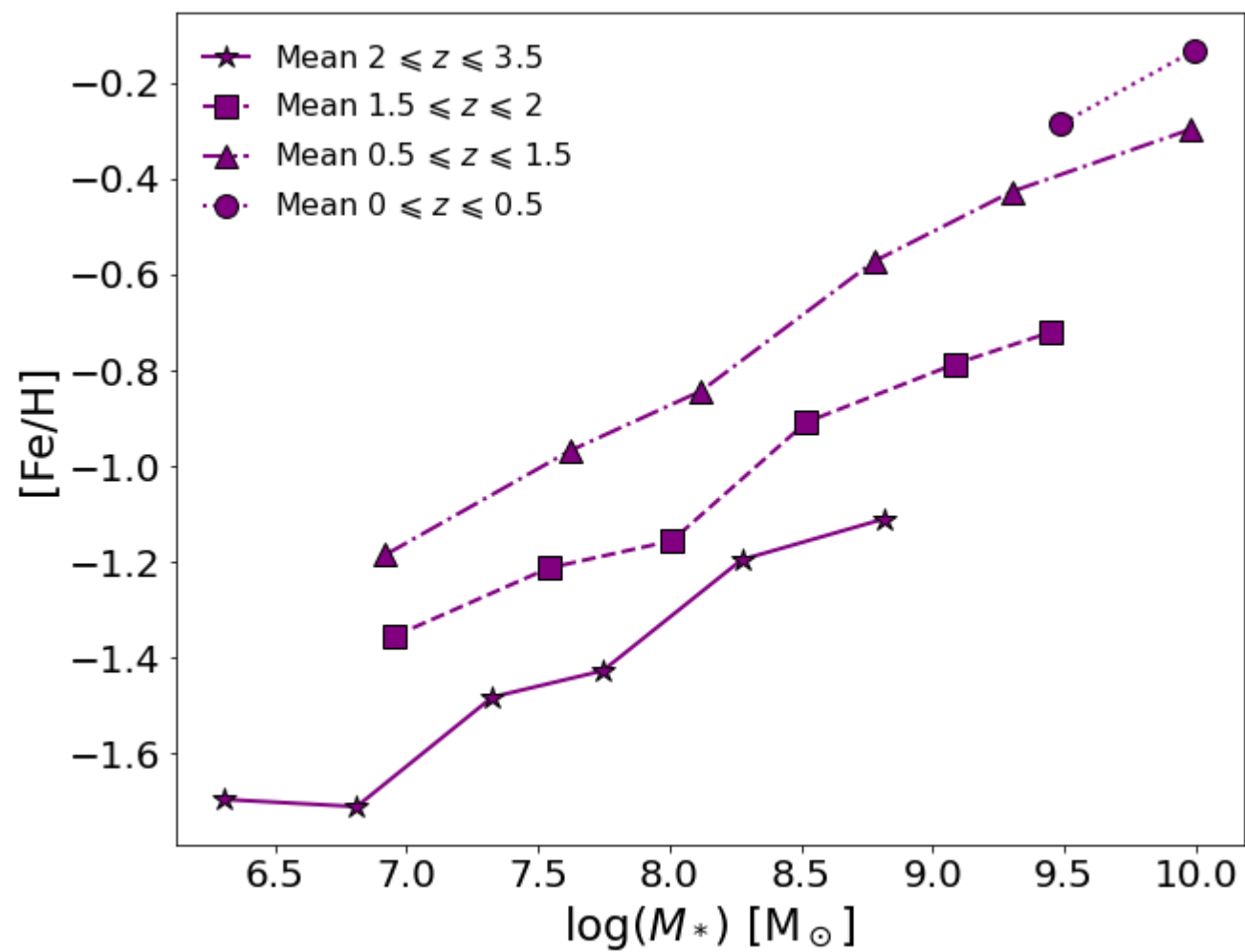
Simulations agree but predict a **different slope!** \*

(\*for a typical MW-mass system in  $\Lambda$ CDM)



Grimozzi, AF, de Rossi + in prep

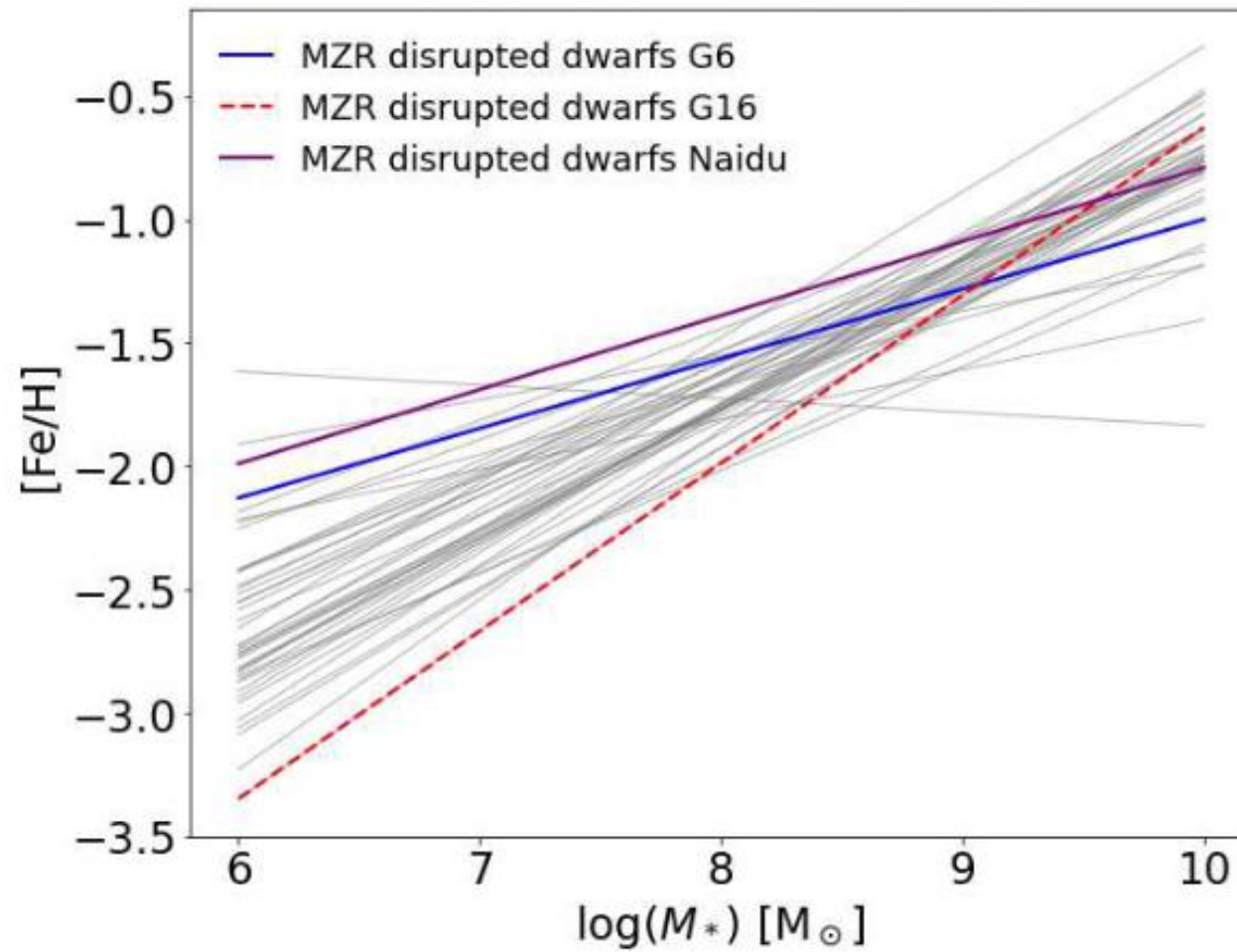




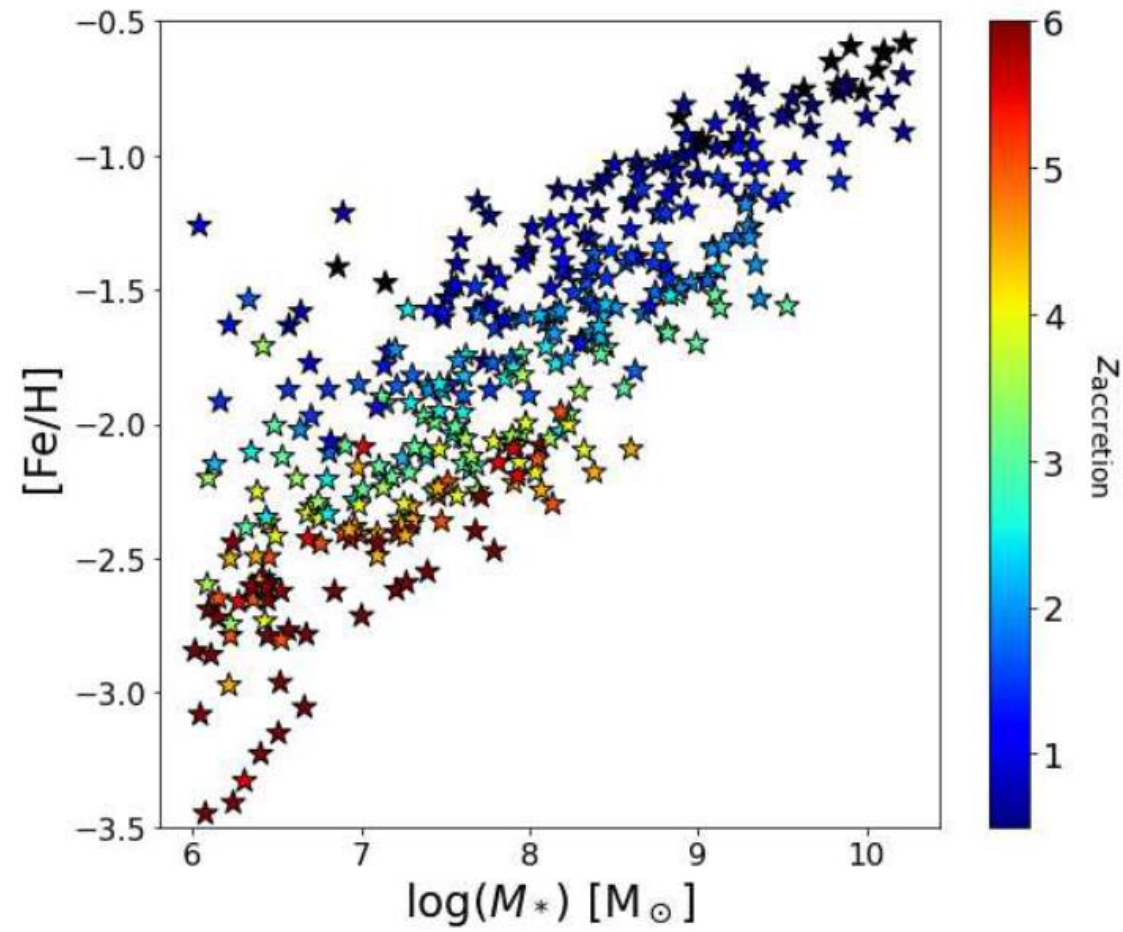
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Is Milky Way typical?

... not necessarily

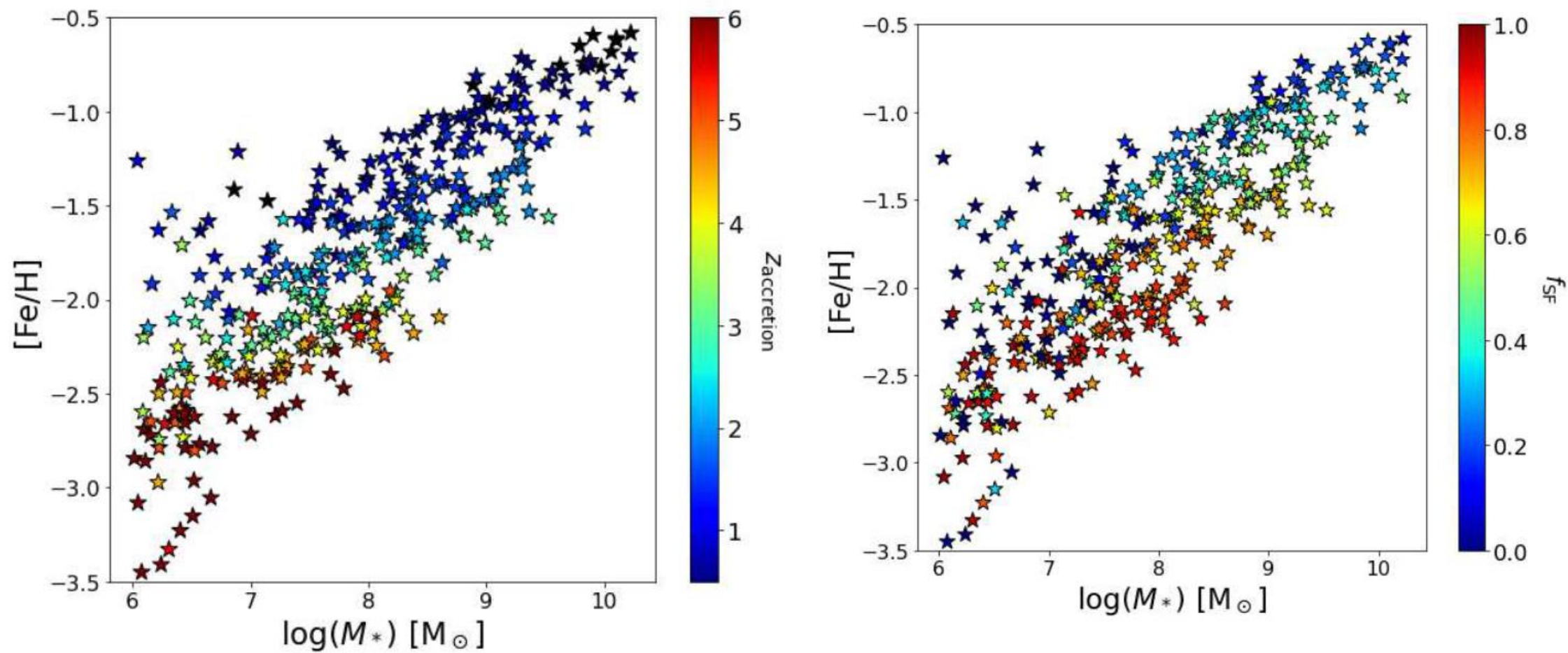


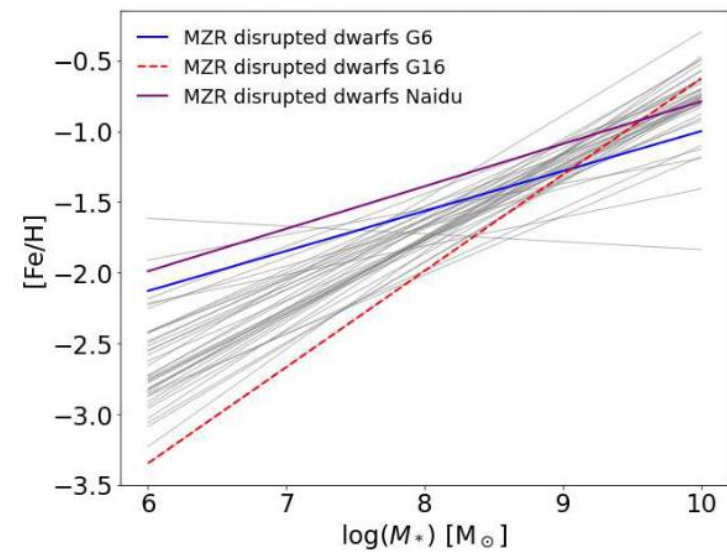
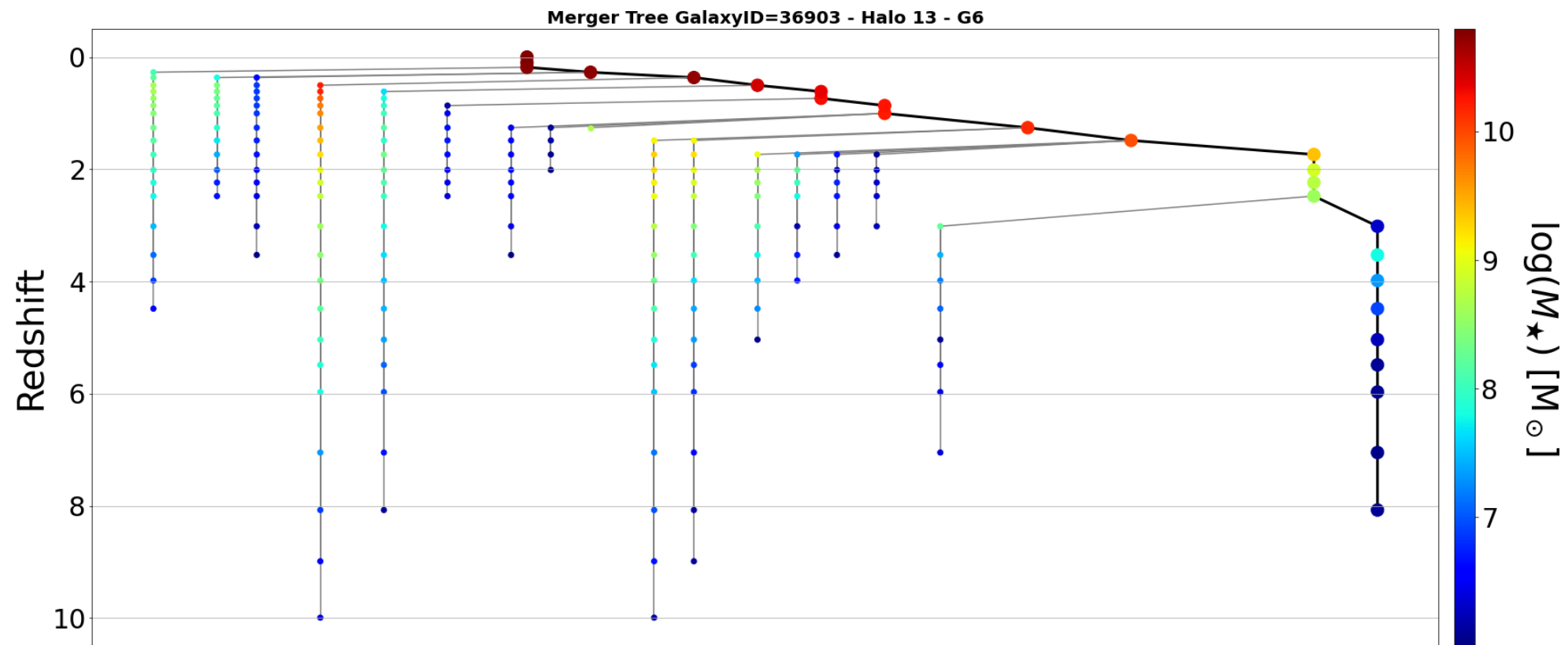
## The scatter in the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] - M^*$ relation



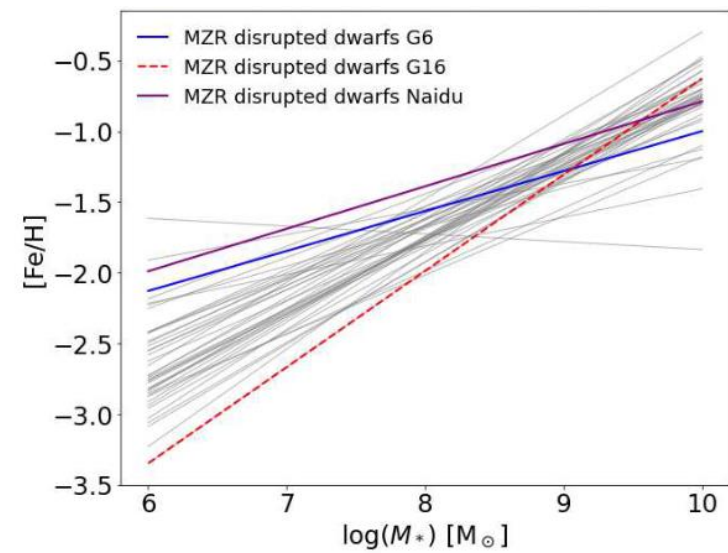
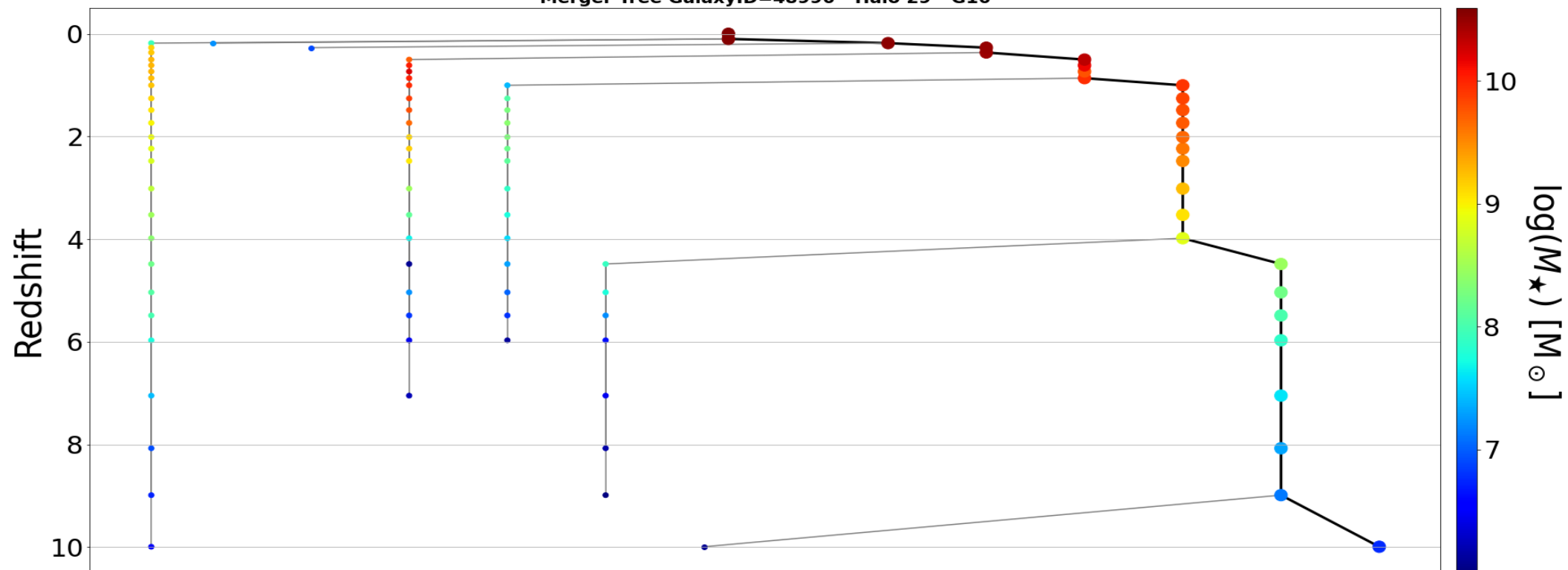


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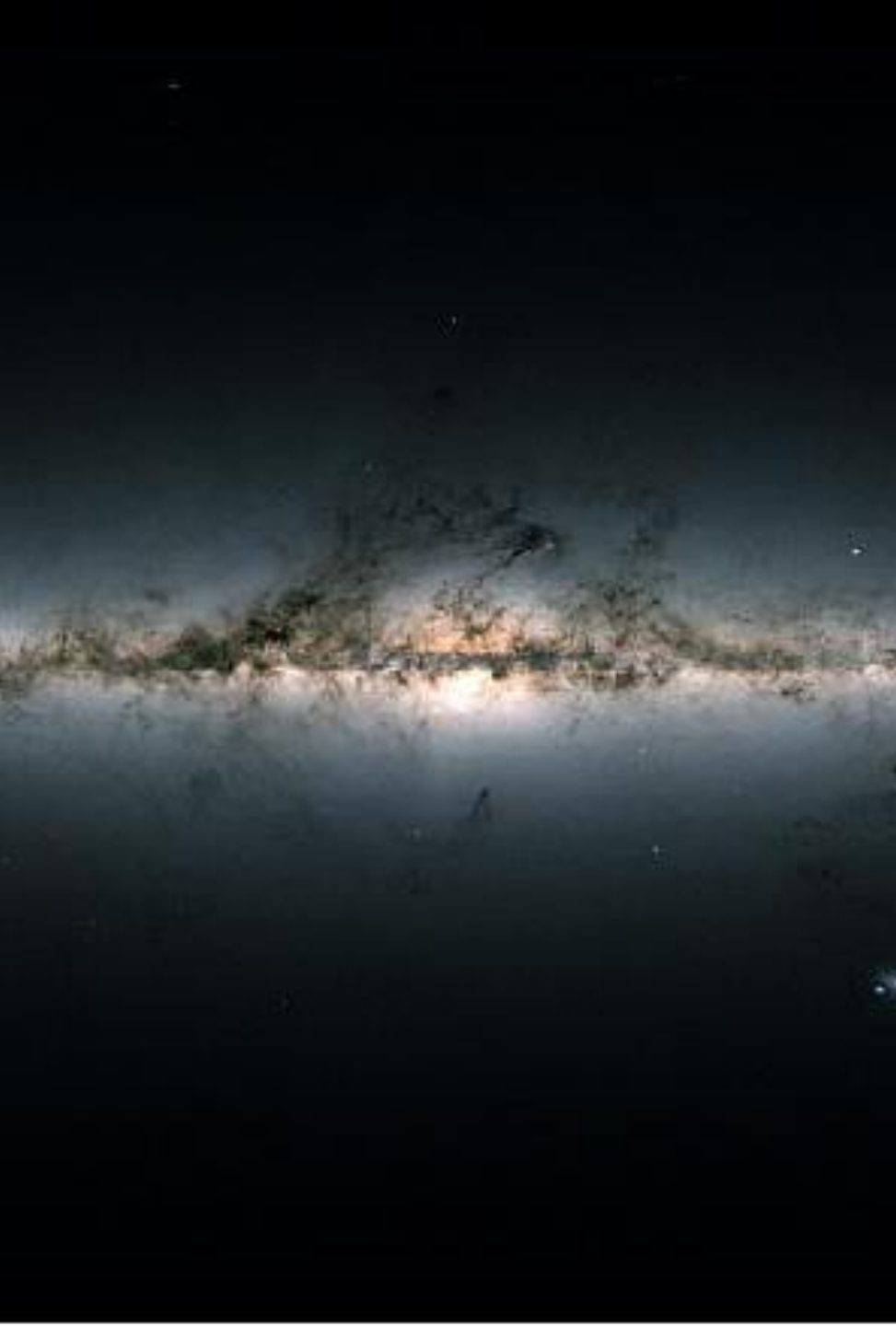




Merger Tree GalaxyID=48996 - Halo 29 - G16







# Conclusions

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- $\Lambda$ CDM models predictions for **surviving dwarf** satellite galaxies agree well with observations  
i.e., LFs, radial distributions,  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] - M^*$  relation.
- The  $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] - M^*$  relation for **disrupted satellites** in  $\Lambda$ CDM is offset compared with the relation for surviving satellites, in agreement with observations. However, the slope depends on the merger history of the MW-mass system.
- The MW is **not quite typical** for a galaxy for its mass: **Recent merging history is less active than for a typical galaxy of its mass.**