# Dynamical Tracing of the Outskirts of Galaxies

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## Technical advantages that TMT is expected to offer for studies of nearby galaxies

- Going beyond the tip of the iceberg: statistical studies with larger sample sizes than currently possible
- Expanding the survey volume: sampling a wider range of galaxy environments than currently possible
- Making measurements of individual objects without having to co-add samples
- Spectroscopy at low surface brightness levels: outskirts of galaxies, faint tidal streams, etc.
- Synergy with JWST, LSST, HSC, WFIRST, Euclid, etc.

#### A few examples of what TMT can do for Local Group / Local Volume science

- Dwarf elliptical galaxies: dark matter content; nature of their nuclei; origin of their kinematic anomalies
- Finding, measuring the masses of, and characterizing ultrafaint dwarf galaxies in the Local Group – the smallest dark matter sub-halos and constraints on baryonic physics
- Co-added spectroscopy of partially resolved starlight at low surface brightness levels
- Heating/settling of the disk of M31 and other disk galaxies: stellar velocity dispersion versus stellar age
- ✤ Accretion history and mass of the Milky Way

# Characterizing dwarf satellites in the Local Group and Local Volume

 Chemical abundance measurements of old stars are very challenging with Keck

 Metallicity distribution functions of dwarf satellites from spectra of *individual* stars versus mean metallicities of dwarf satellites from *co-added* spectra Andromeda satellites resemble their Milky Way counterparts



*Lucy Cheng* (SIP 2011/2012; Harker School / Harvard Univ)

Kirby et al. (2013)

#### And II's unusual internal stellar kinematics



Ho et al (2012, ApJ)

#### Coadded spectroscopy of <u>blends</u> in the NGC 4449 stellar stream



Toloba, PG, et al. (2015, ApJ submitted)

# **Co-added spectra**

Call Triplet



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H - Alpha



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# Accretion history and mass of the Milky Way

- Leveraging the remarkable *astrometric* potential of deep, multi-epoch HST images (and ultimately JWST images?)
- Need TMT to measure radial velocties of faint blue main sequence turnoff stars in the MW outer halo

## "7D" mapping of the Milky Way halo: Accretion history and mass estimate

- Proper motions from multi-epoch HST imaging and, in the future, Gaia
- Need TMT/WFOS to measure radial velocities (and especially chemical abundances) of faint MSTO stars
- Very long integrations required with Keck/DEIMOS (8 to 32 hours per mask!)

HALO7D Collaboration HSTPROMO: The HST Proper Motion Collaboration Alis Deason, Emily Cunningham, Connie Rockosi, PG (UCSC), Evan Kirby (Caltech) Roeland van der Marel, Jay Anderson, Tony Sohn (STScI) 16

## HALO7D survey

Looking at and through the Milky Way

#### <u>HST archival legacy program</u>

- Deep multi-epoch HST imaging
- Use distant galaxies as "wall paper"
- Proper motion of  $\sim 1000$  MSTO stars in the MW halo

#### <u>Keck/DEIMOS spectroscopy program</u>

- 8- to 32-hour integrations of ~ 350 MW halo MSTO stars in three northern CANDELS fields
- Radial velocities
- Chemical abundances and LOS distances
- Fillers: exquisite quality spectra of  $\sim 1500$  distant galaxies
- Future extensions: M31 foreground fields; Fronter Fields?

Anderson, <u>Barro</u>, Brown, Conroy, <u>Cheung</u>, <u>Choi</u>, <u>Cunningham</u>, <u>Deason</u>, Faber, <u>Guo</u>, Koo, Rockosi, <u>Sohn</u>, <u>Toloba</u>, van der Marel, <u>Yesuf</u>

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## Typical S/N ratio at 6500Å based on ~ 6 hours of integration in the EGS







Color coding of RGB stars corresponds to CaT-based proxy for metallicity [Fe/H]

> Vargas et al. (2014a, ApJ) Vargas et al. (2014b, ApJL)

Gilbert et al. (2014, ApJ) Ho et al. (2015, ApJ)

#### Detailed chemical abundances of M31 RGB stars



Number of direct [Fe/H] and  $[\alpha/Fe]$  measurements will go from *four* M31 field halo stars and *few tens* of members of luminous satellites to *few hundred* RGB stars in the spheroid, outer disk, and giant stream

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• 828 orbits, 4 years

• 6 Filters (UV-NIR)

PHAT PI: Julianne Dalcanton Keck/DEIMOS spectroscopy led by UCSC



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