

On constraining the spin of the MBH the GC via star orbits: the effects of stellar perturbations



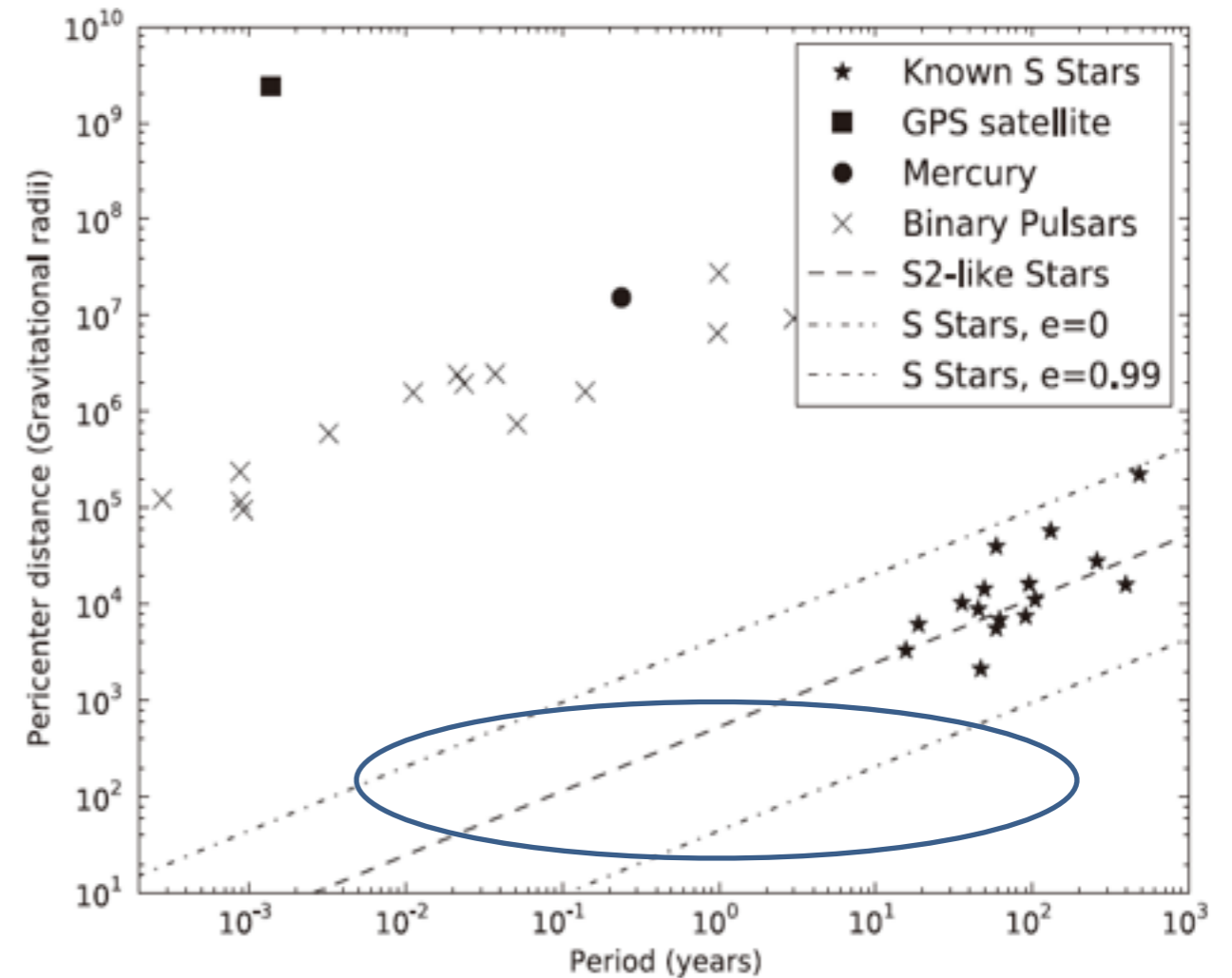
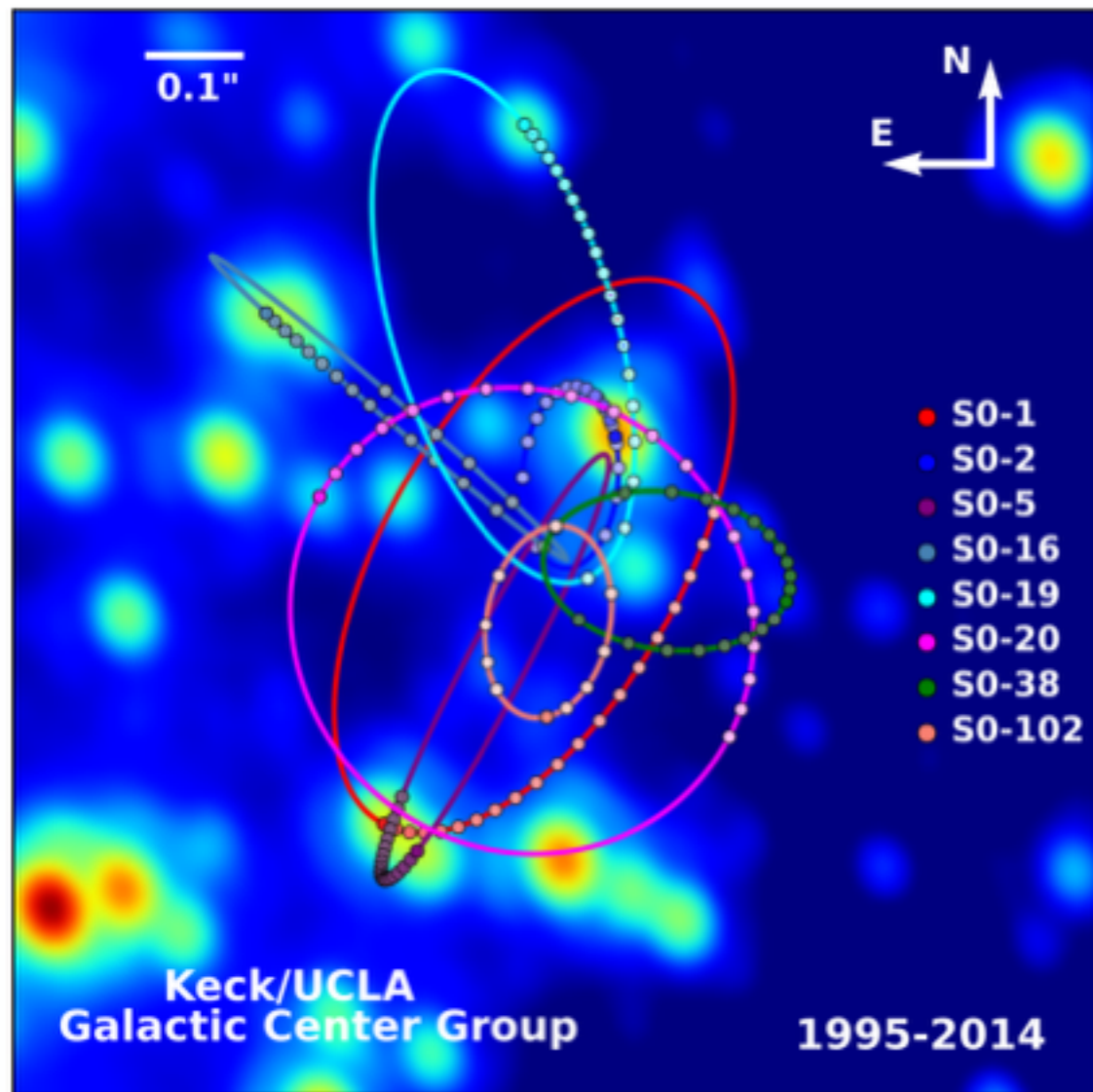
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Strong field GR test and the GC S-stars

- Clusters of young stars in the GC
- Provide a unique environment of testing GC by stellar orbits



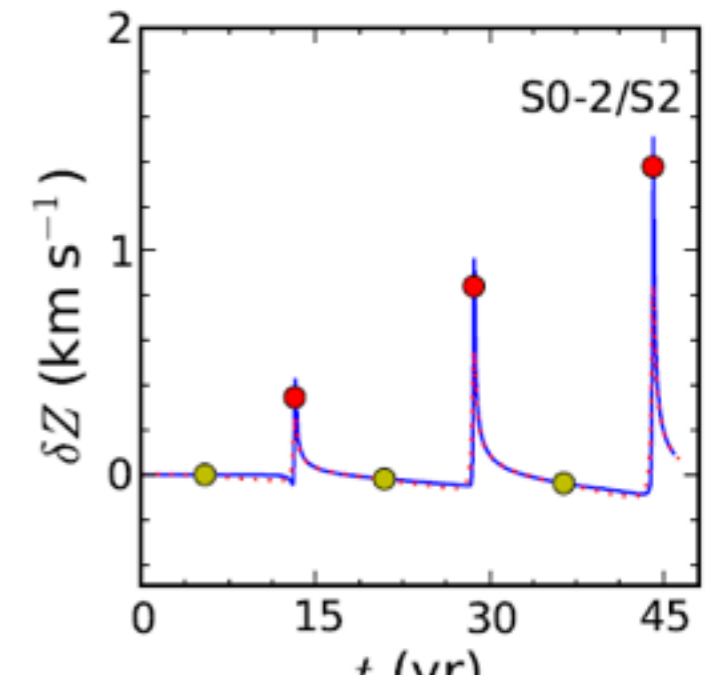
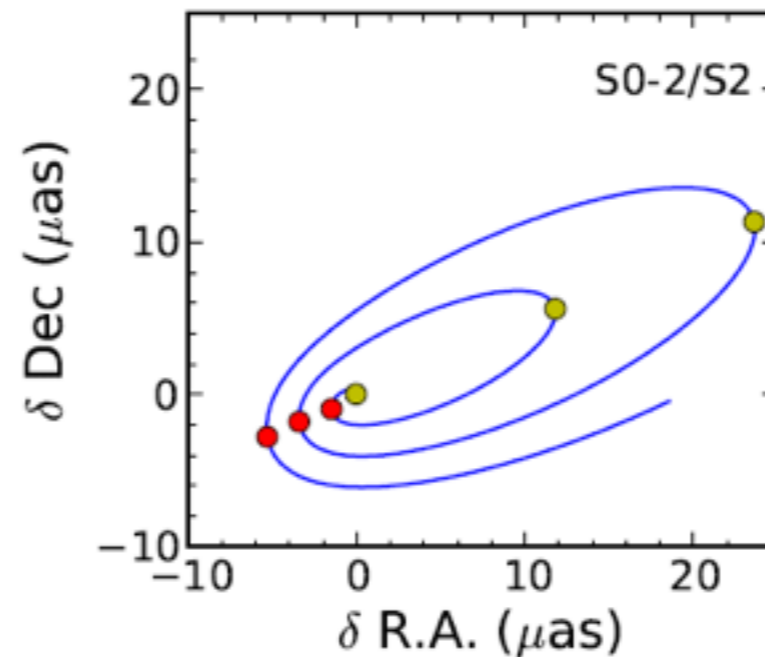
Our previous works

- The constraints of the spin parameters by observing the trajectories and the redshifts of the S-stars by future facilities (Zhang, Lu, & Yu 2015; Yu, Zhang, & Lu, submitted)

- Full GR treatment

- MCMC fitting

- Magnitude and direction of spin, 6 orbital elements, MBH and R_{GC}

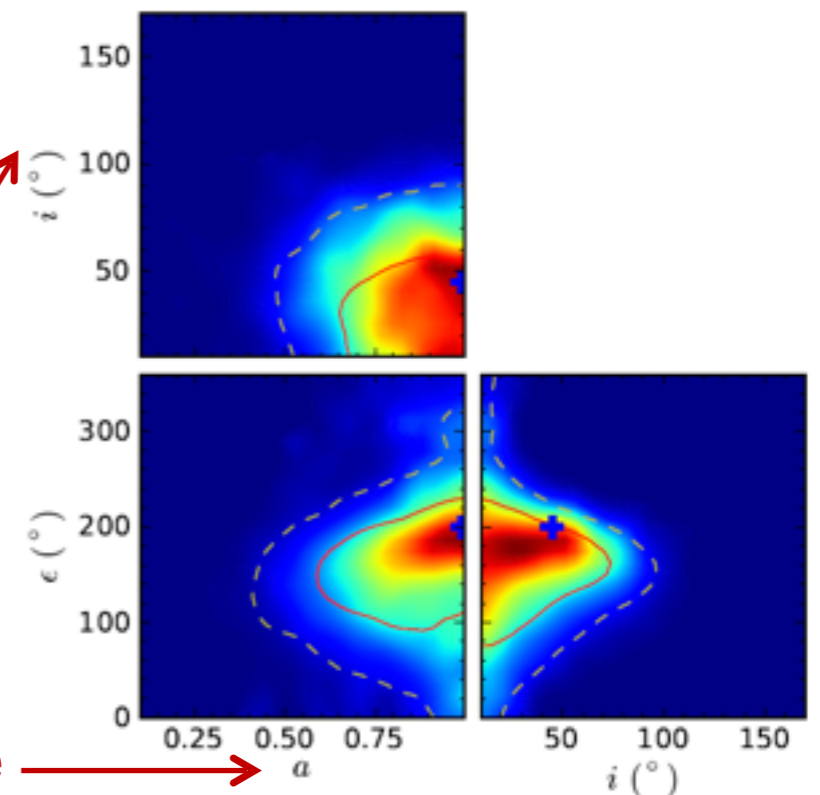


- We can constraint the spin by observing the orbits of S2 or other inner S-stars

- But stellar perturbations are not considered

Spin orientation

Spin magnitude



Perturbations

- **Stars**: Early and late type stars (Bartko, et, al. 2010)
- **Stellar remnants**
 - Stellar mass black holes: Mass segregation (Freitag, et, al. 2006)
 - Neutron stars, pulsars, white dwarfs: (Morris 1993)
- **Intermediate mass black hole(s)**: 100-1000 solar mass, distance >200 AU (Yu & Tremaine 2003, Gualandris & Merritt 2009; etc)
- **Dark matter**

- **Distinguish**
 - Gravitational perturbations from background sources

 - Spin-induced perturbations

 - Different predictions from other gravity theories (e.g., $f(R)$ theory)

Previous studies

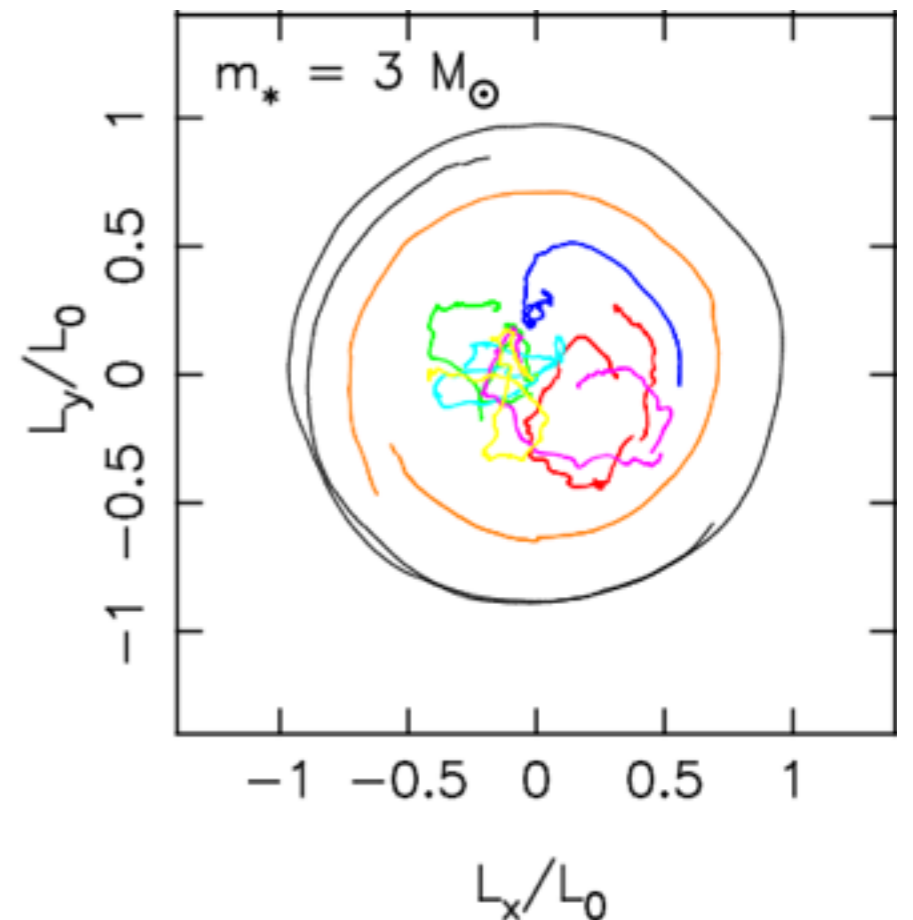
- **Post-NW approximation** (Merritt et al. 2010)
 - Frame-dragging obscured beyond 0.5 mpc

$$\mathbf{a}_{J,1} = -\frac{3G^2 M_\bullet}{c^3} \sum_{j \neq 1} \frac{m_j}{r_{1j}^3} \left\{ [\mathbf{v}_{1j} - (\mathbf{n}_{1j} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{1j}) \mathbf{n}_{1j}] \times \boldsymbol{\chi} - 2\mathbf{n}_{1j} (\mathbf{n}_{1j} \times \mathbf{v}_{1j}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\chi} \right\},$$

$$\mathbf{a}_{J,j} = \frac{2G^2 M_\bullet^2}{c^3 r_{1j}^3} \left\{ [2\mathbf{v}_{1j} - 3(\mathbf{n}_{1j} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{1j}) \mathbf{n}_{1j}] \times \boldsymbol{\chi} - 3\mathbf{n}_{1j} (\mathbf{n}_{1j} \times \mathbf{v}_{1j}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\chi} \right\},$$

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\chi}} = \frac{G}{2c^2} \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{m_j}{r_{ij}^2} [\mathbf{n}_{1j} \times (3\mathbf{v}_1 - 4\mathbf{v}_j)] \times \boldsymbol{\chi},$$

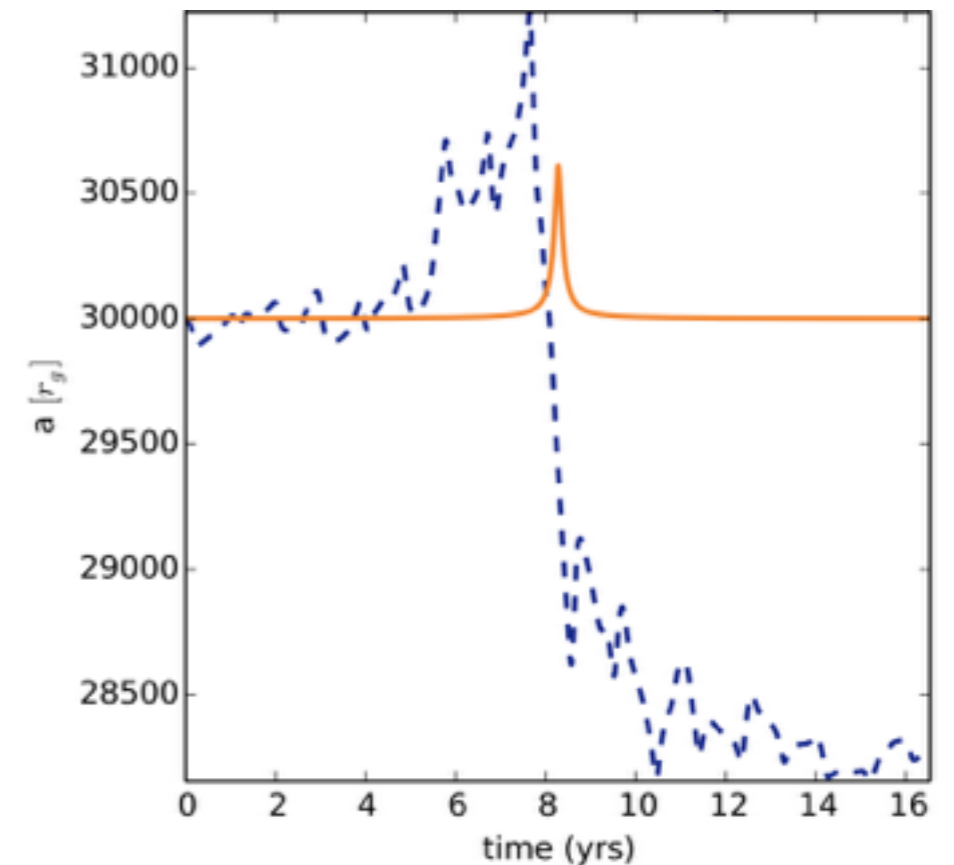
$r_{ij} \equiv |\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j|$, $\mathbf{x}_{ij} \equiv \mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j$, $\mathbf{n}_{ij} = \mathbf{x}_{ij}/r_{ij}$, $\mathbf{v}_{ij} \equiv \mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}_j$.



Merritt et al. 2011

- **Hamiltonian perturbation** (Angelil & Saha 2014)
 - Frame-Wavelet decomposition

$$H_{\text{stellar}} = \sum_j \frac{m_j}{M} \left(\frac{\mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{x}_j}{|\mathbf{x}_j|^3} - \frac{1}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_j|} \right),$$



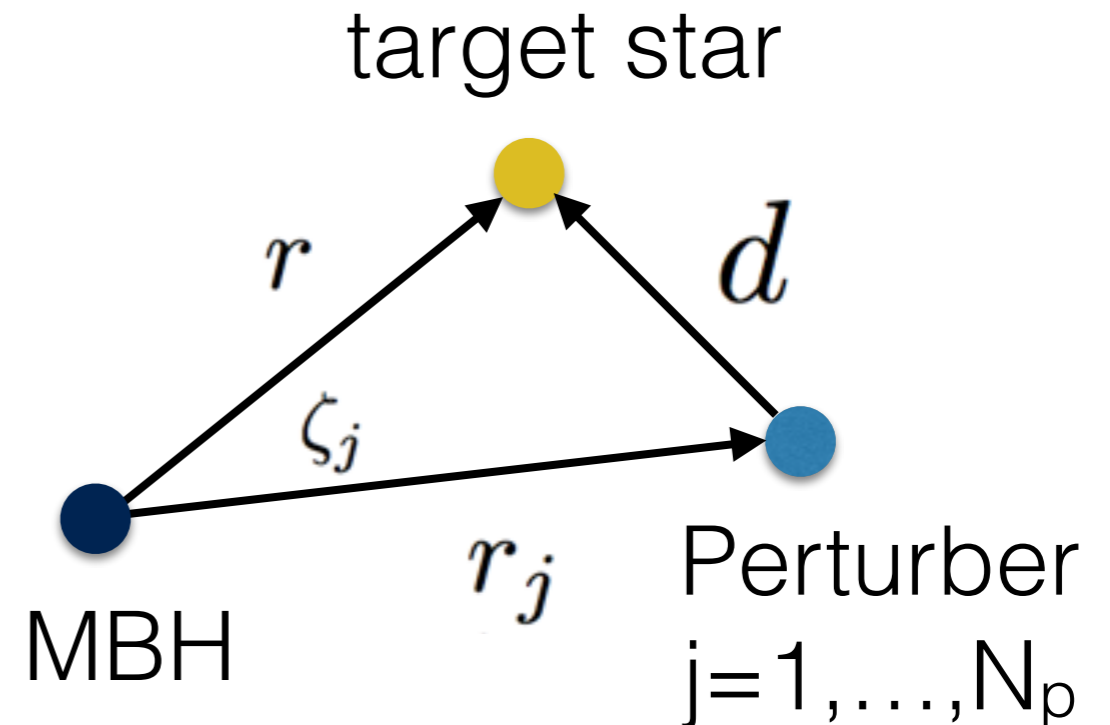
Angelil & Saha 2014

- **Orbital perturbation theories**
Sadeghian & Will 2011; Iorio 2011; etc

Motion of the perturbed target star

- Hamiltonian contributed by perturbation (Angelil & Saha 2014, Wisdom & Holman 1991)


$$H_p = \sum_j^{N_p} m_{p,j} \left(\frac{r}{r_j^2} \cos \zeta - \frac{1}{d} \right)$$



- **Simplification**
 - The multiple interactions between perturber are ignored
 - The target star is a test particle (mass=0)
- Motions of the perturbers follows the unperturbed motion equation

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_0 + \mathbf{H}_p$$

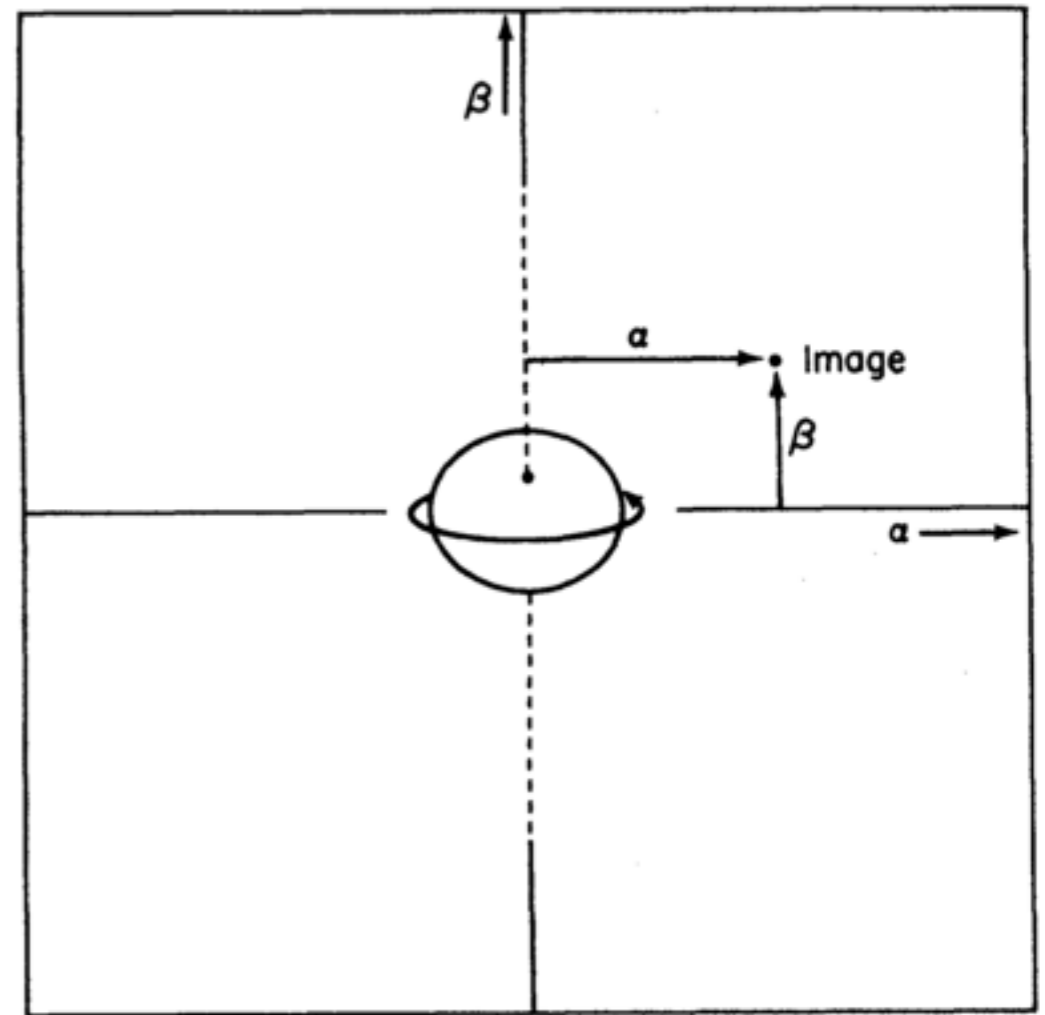
Light Tracing technique



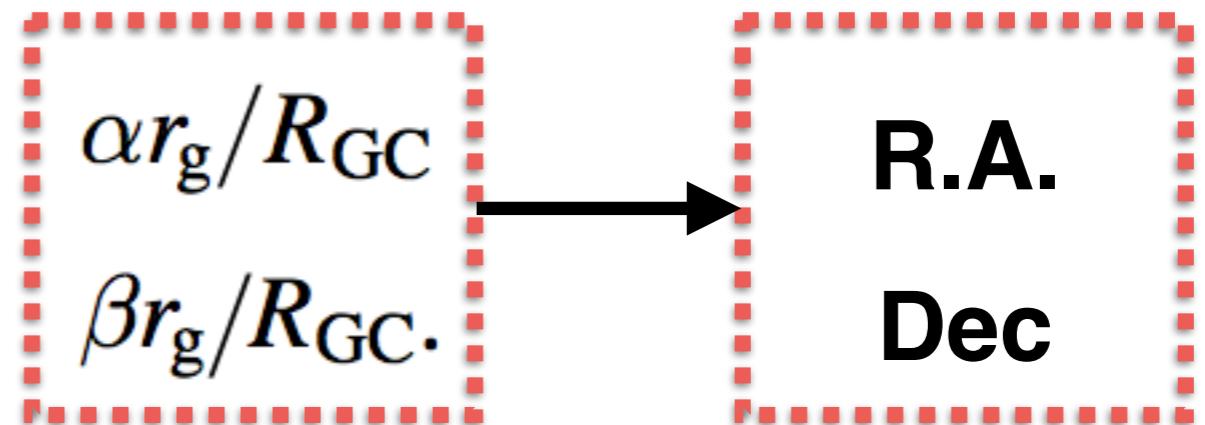
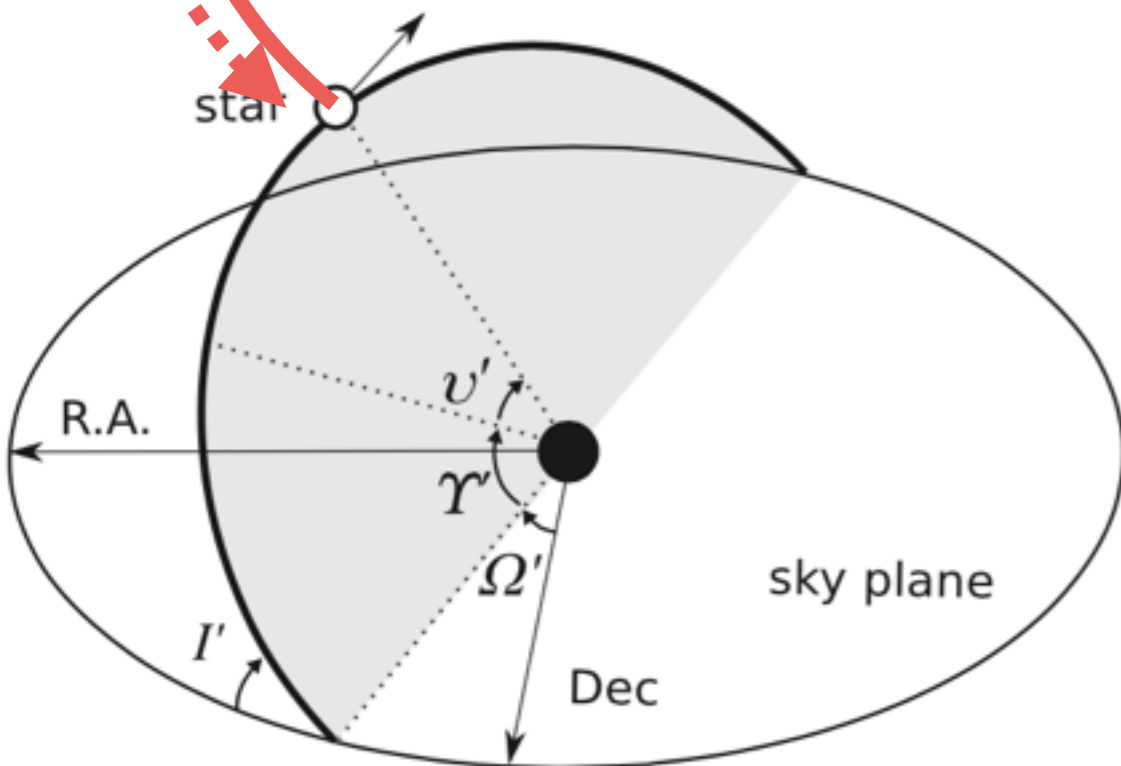
$$\int_{r_0}^{r_{\text{hit}}} \frac{dr}{\sqrt{R}} = \pm \int_{\mu_0}^{\mu_*} \frac{d\mu}{\sqrt{\Theta_\mu}}, \dots$$

$$\lambda = -\alpha \sin i,$$

$$q^2 = \beta^2 + (\alpha^2 - a^2) \cos^2 i.$$



Cunningham & Bardeen 1972



$$Z = \frac{\mathbf{p}_{\text{hit}} \cdot \mathbf{u}_*}{\mathbf{p}_0 \cdot \mathbf{u}_0} - 1 = -\frac{\mathbf{p}_{\text{hit}} \cdot \mathbf{u}_*}{E_0} - 1.$$

- **Perturbations on the observational quantities**

- Positions of the star in the sky at time t

$$\delta R.A. \quad \delta Dec \quad \delta R(t) = \sqrt{\delta R.A.^2 + \delta Dec^2}$$

- Redshift at time t

$$\delta Z(t)$$

- **Root mean square value (in three orbits)**

$$\delta R_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T_{\text{ob}}} \int_0^{T_{\text{ob}}} \delta R(t)^2 dt}$$

$$\delta Z_{\text{rms}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{T_{\text{ob}}} \int_0^{T_{\text{ob}}} \delta Z(t)^2 dt},$$

- **Spin-induced effects:**

unperturbed target star, $a=0.99$



unperturbed target star, $a=0.0$

- **Stellar perturbations:**

perturbed target star, $a=0.0$



unperturbed target star, $a=0.0$

- **Total perturbations:**

perturbed target star, $a=0.99$



unperturbed target star, $a=0.0$

Results: Single Perturber

S2/S0-2 and S0-102

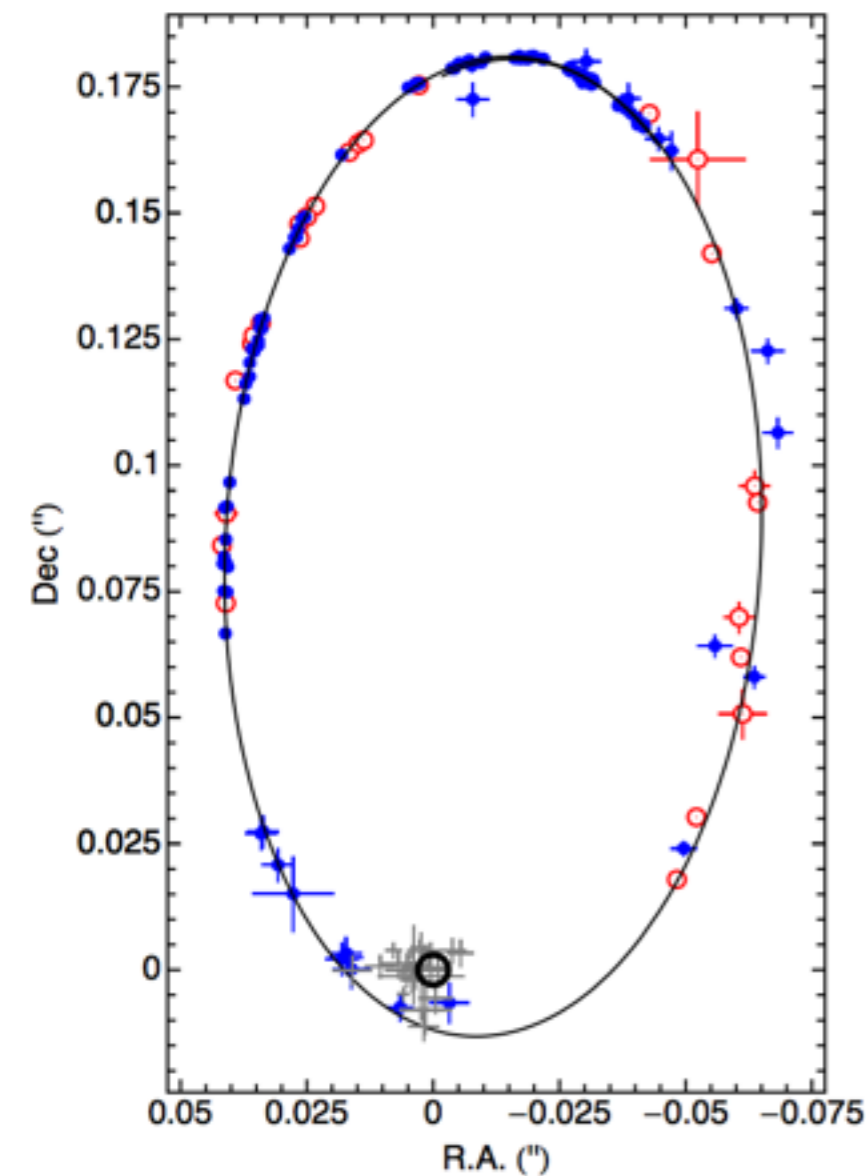
- **S2/S0-2**

- Orbital period of 15 years
- Pericenter distance of 100AU

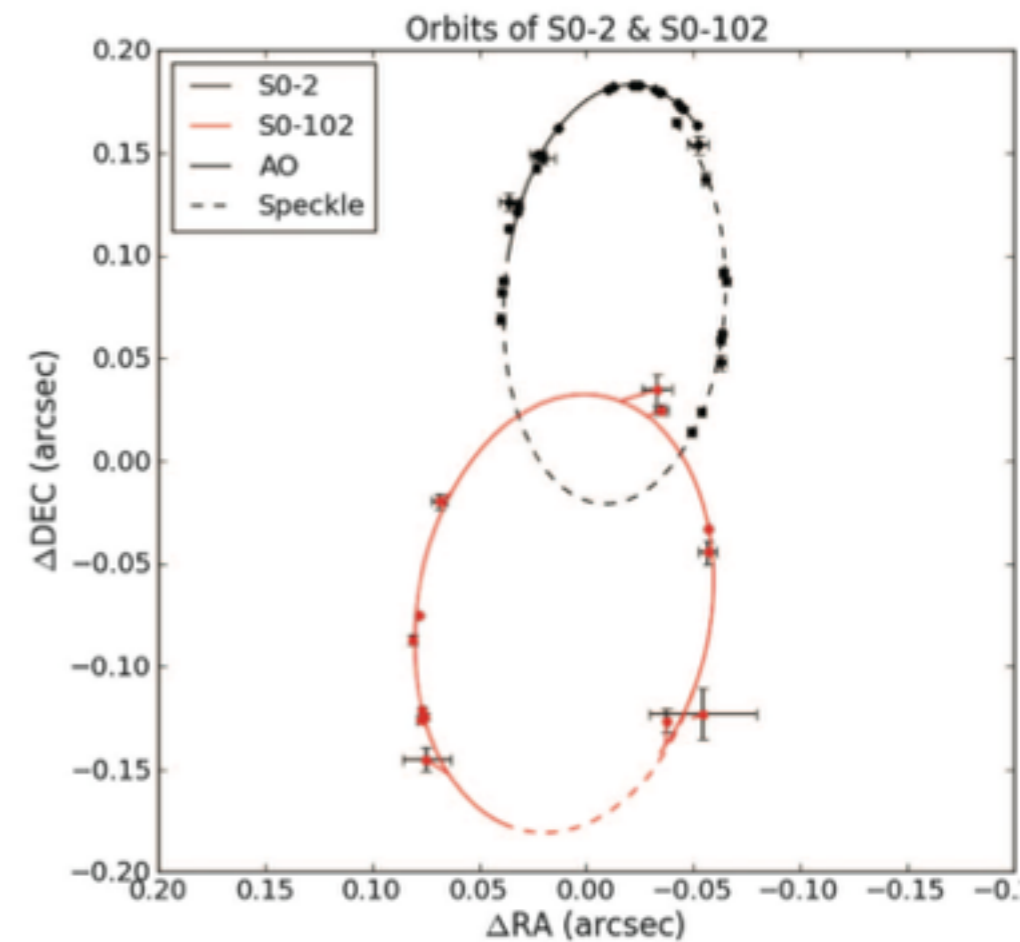
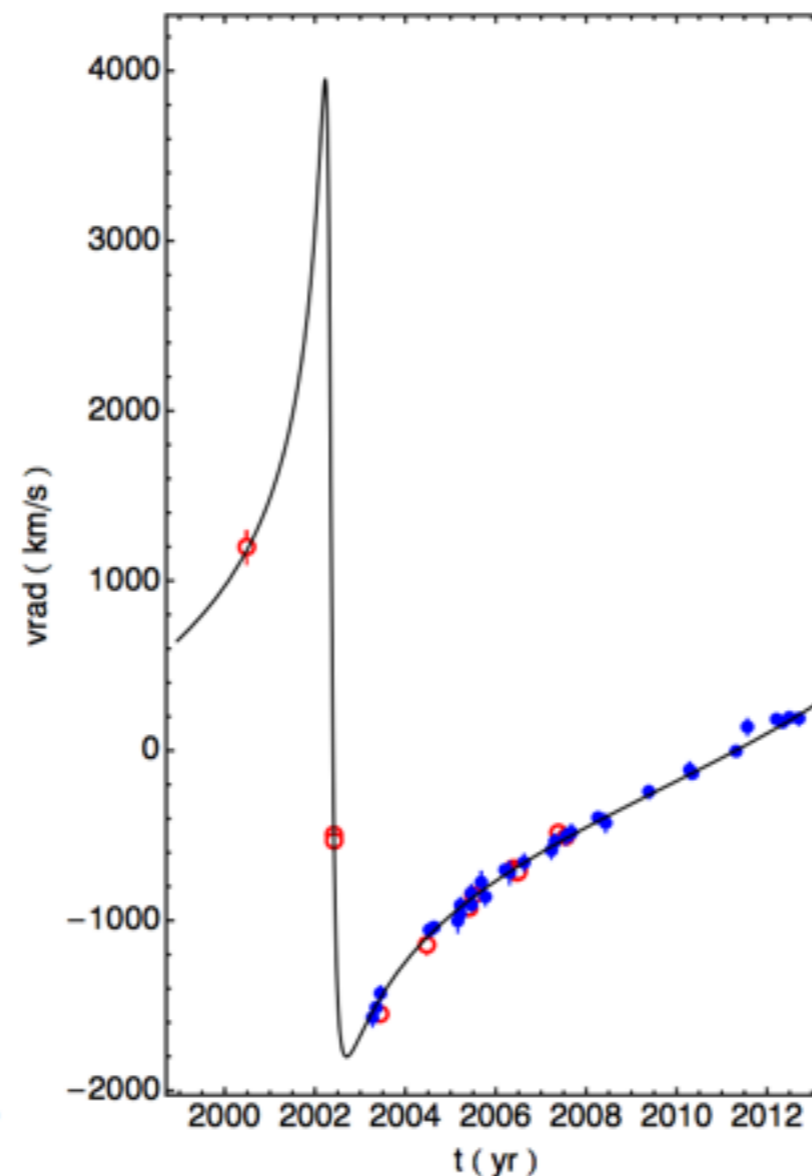
- **S0-102**

- Orbital period of 11 years
- $e \sim 0.68$

How S0-102 affects the orbital motion of S2?

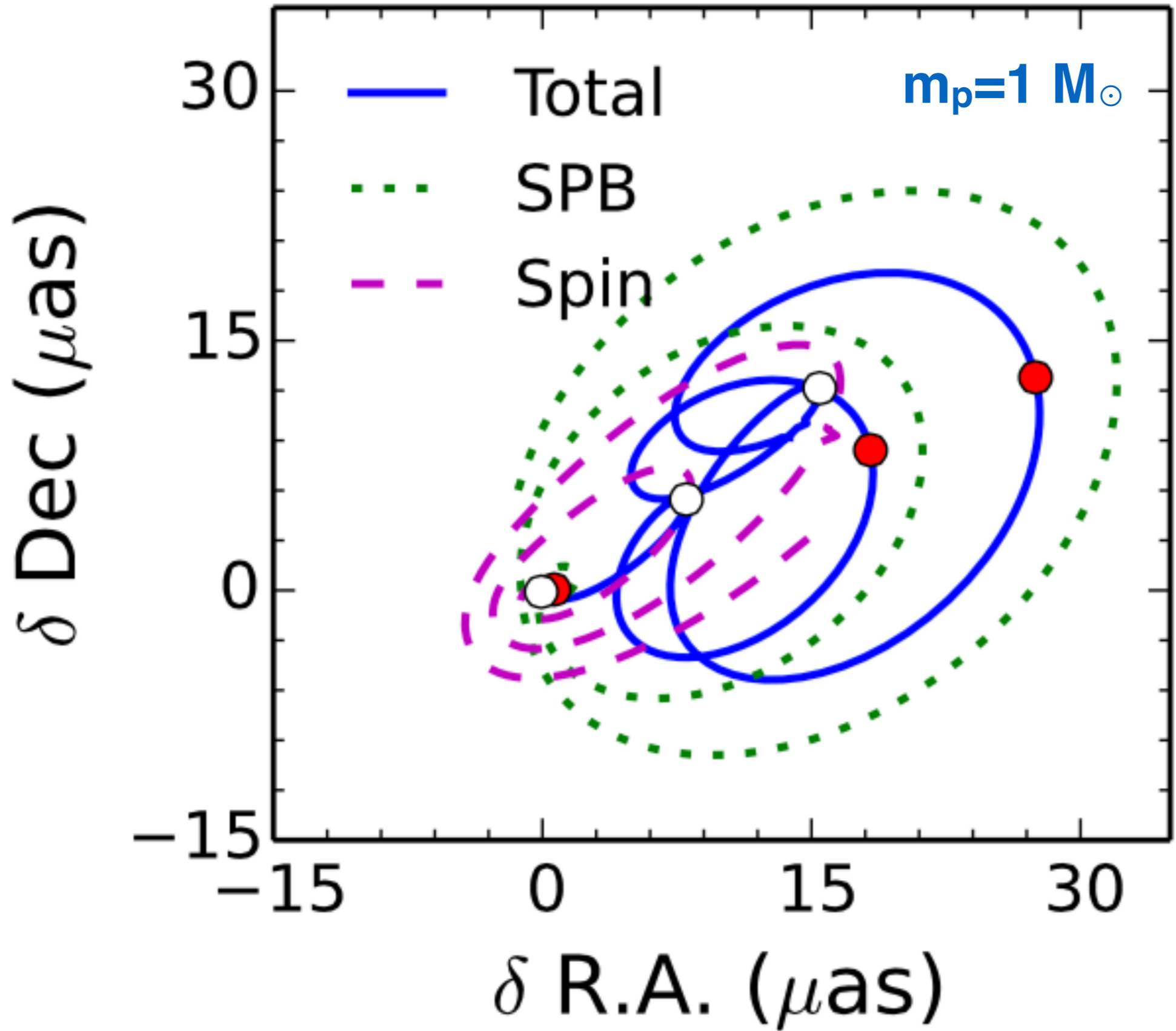


Gillessen et al. 2013

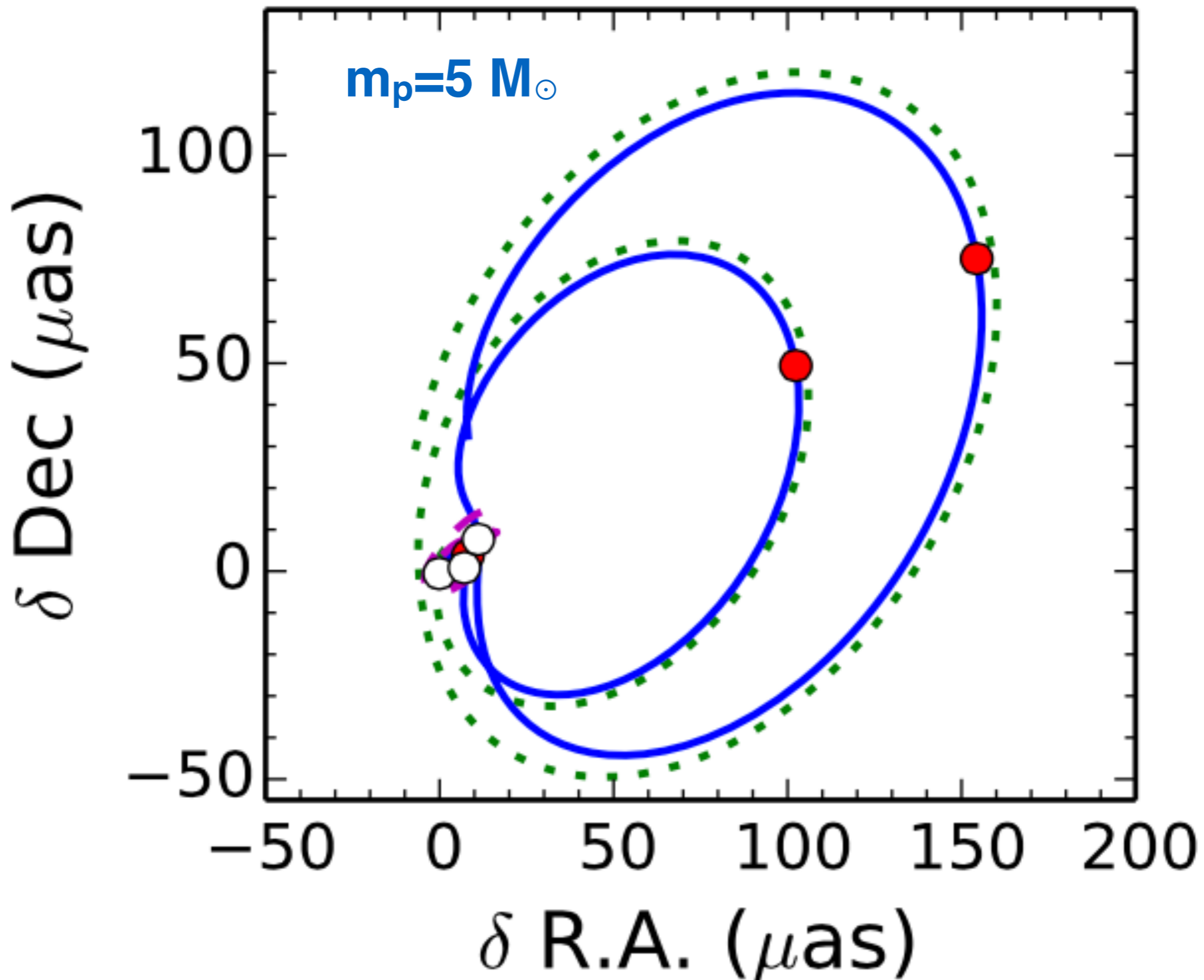


Meyer et al. 2012

S2 perturbed by S0-102



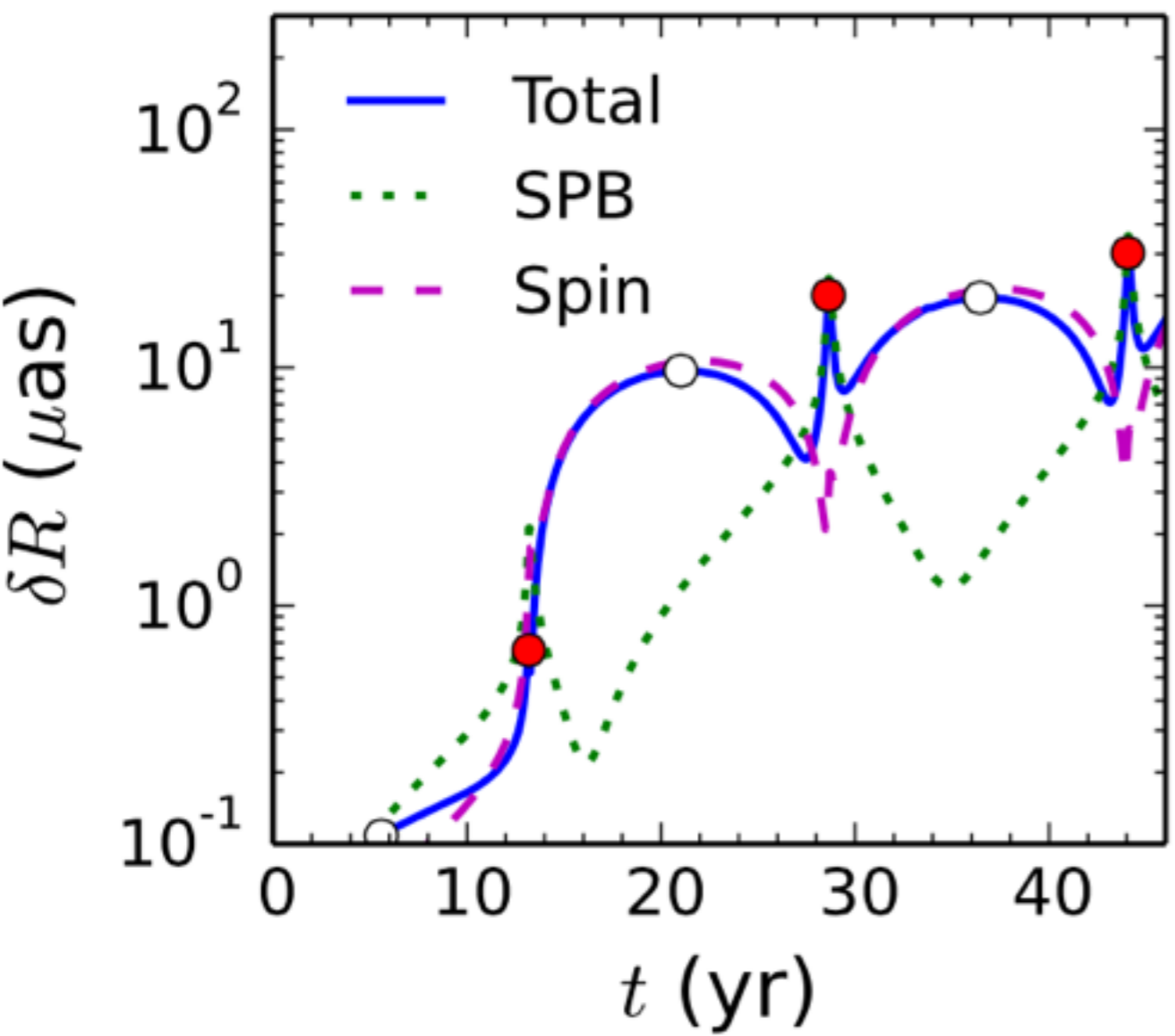
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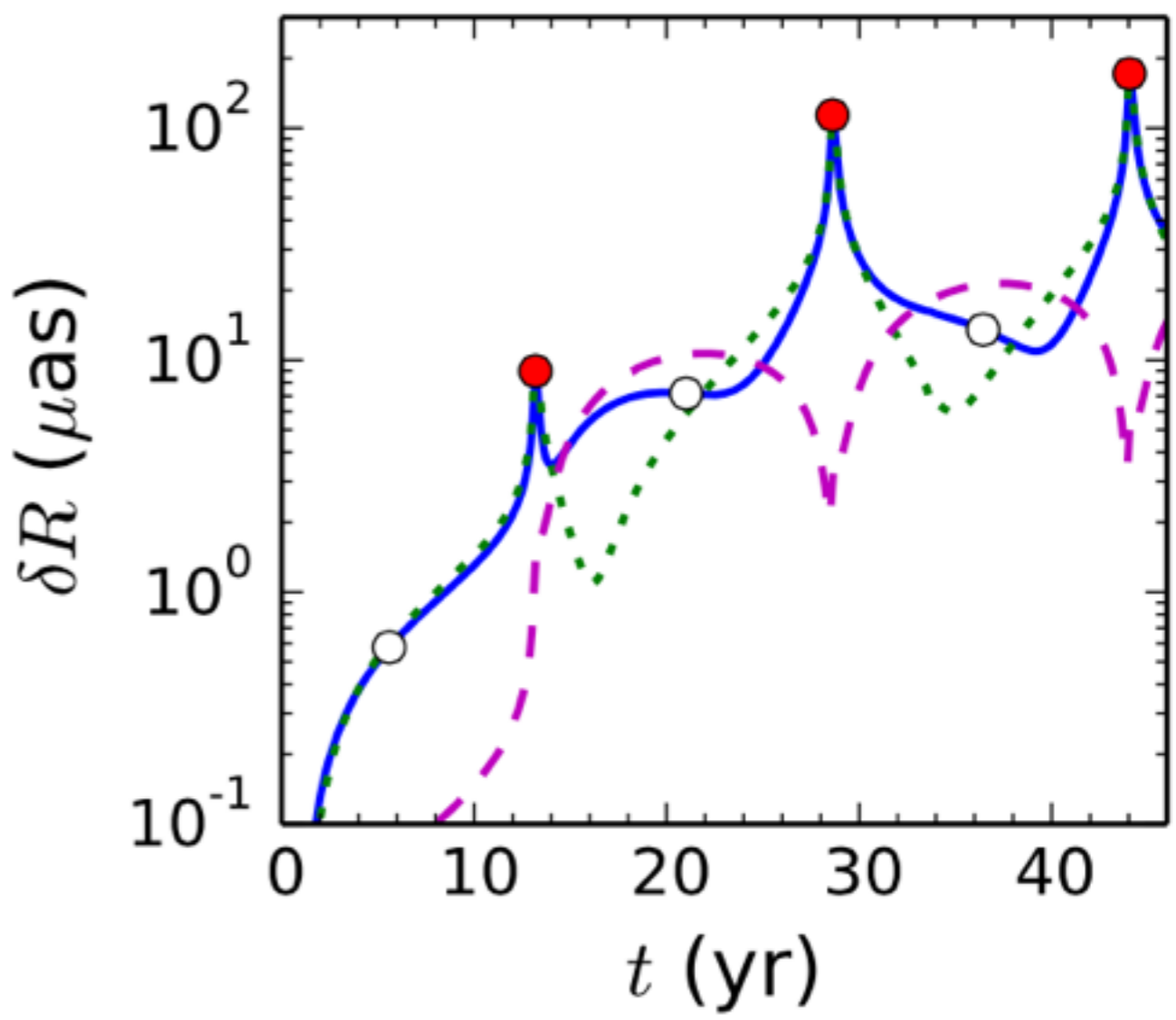
Orbits of S2 perturbed by S0-102

$$\delta R(t) = \sqrt{\delta R.A.^2 + \delta Dec^2}$$

• $m_p = 1 M_\odot$

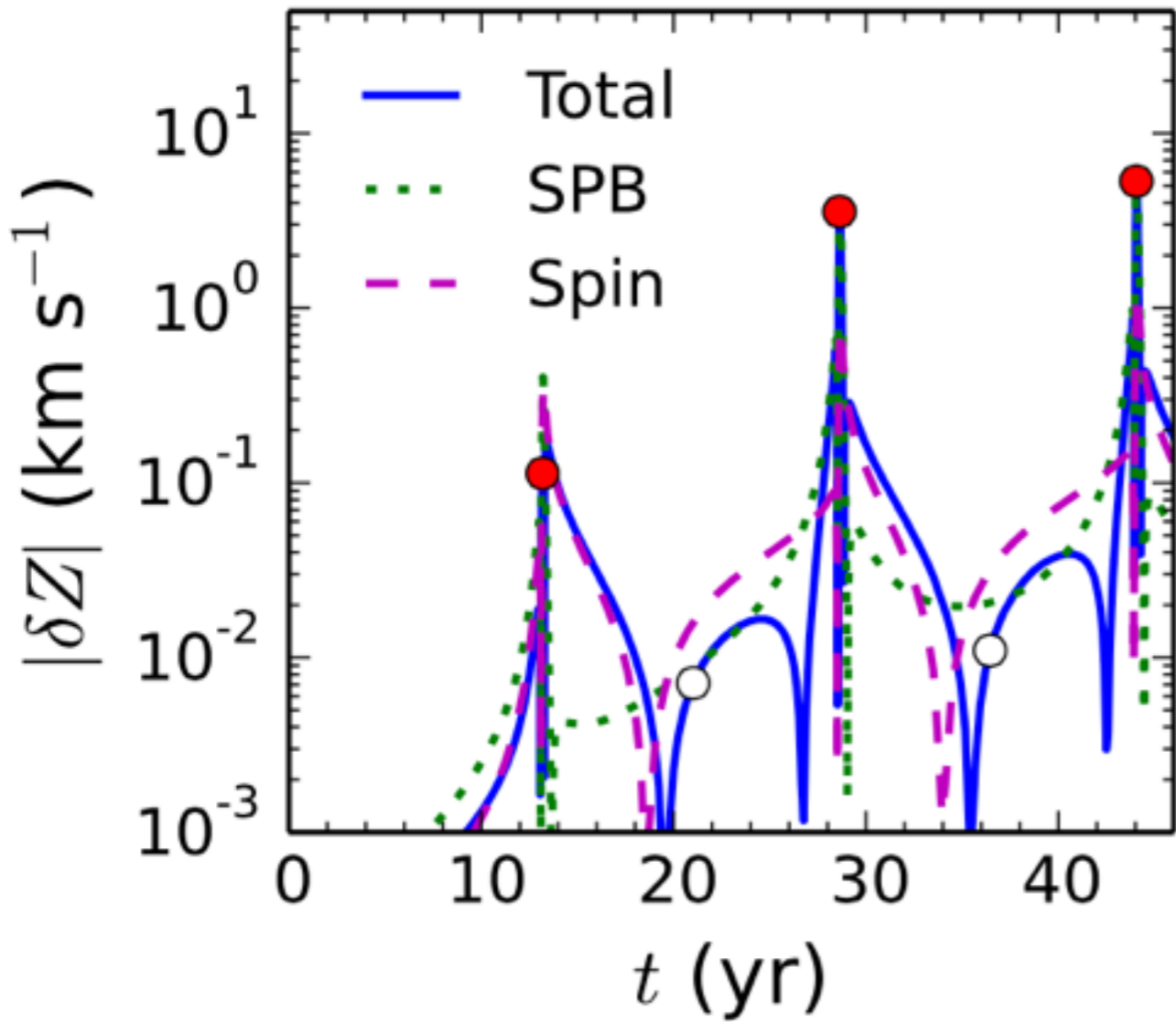


• $m_p = 5 M_\odot$

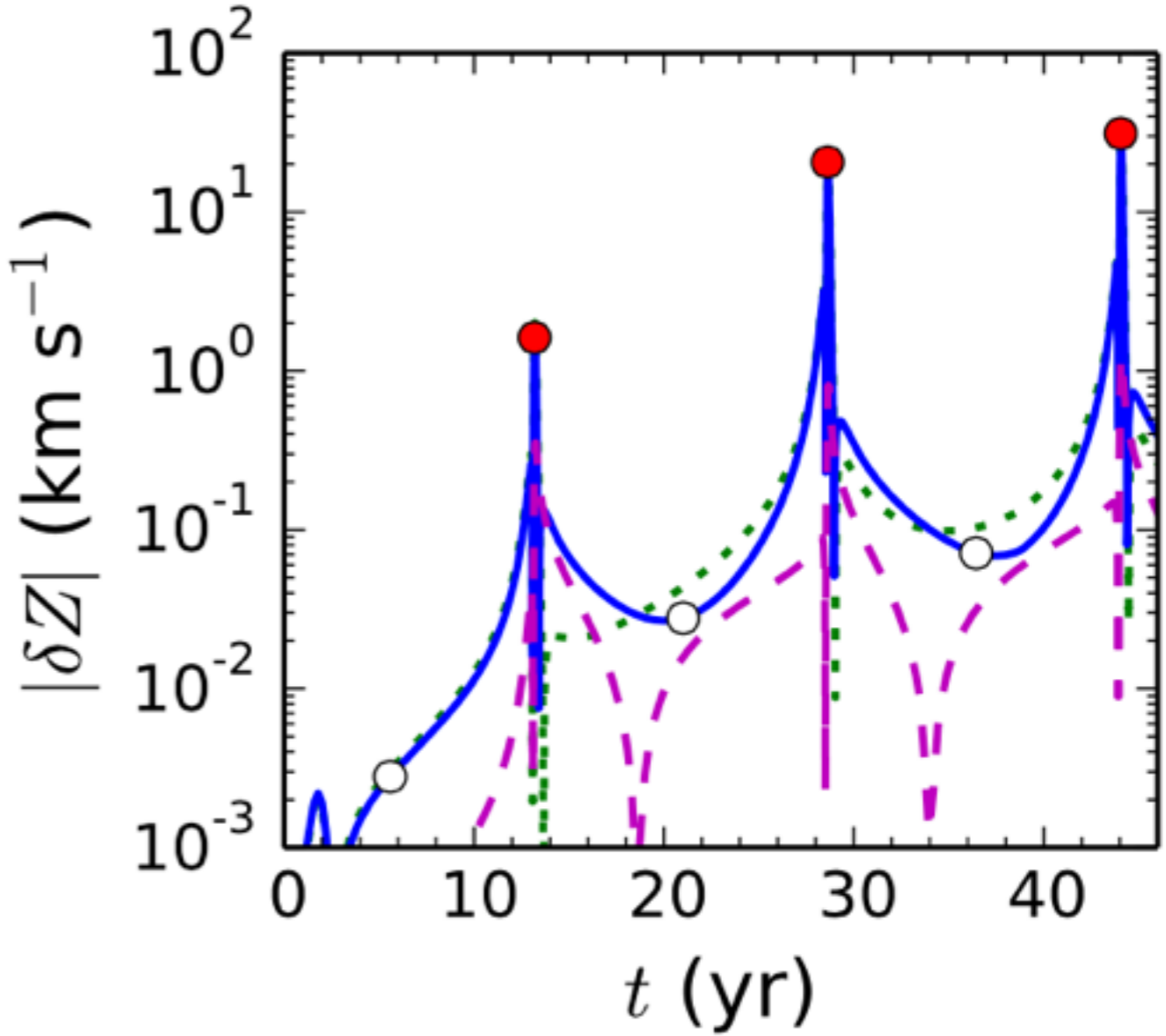


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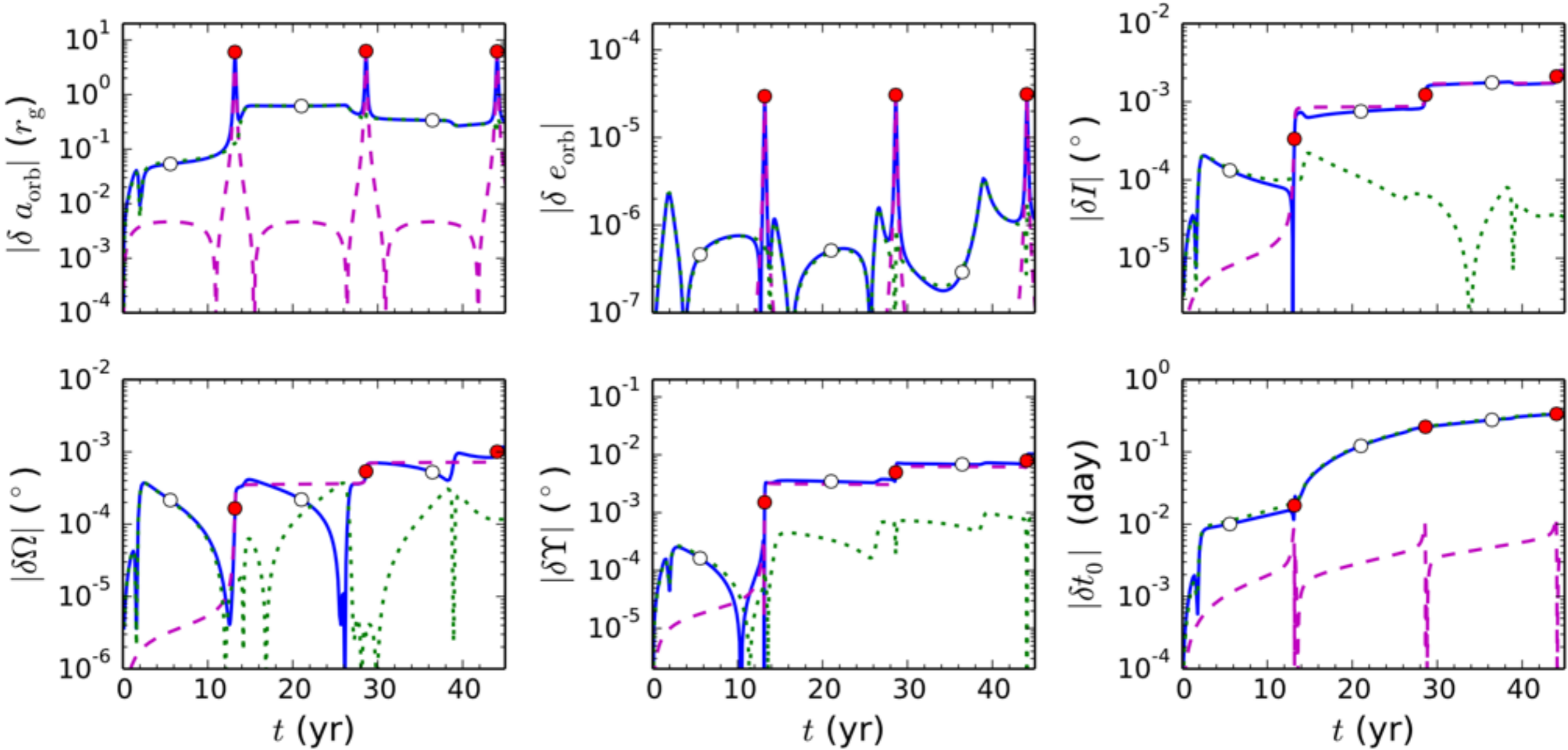


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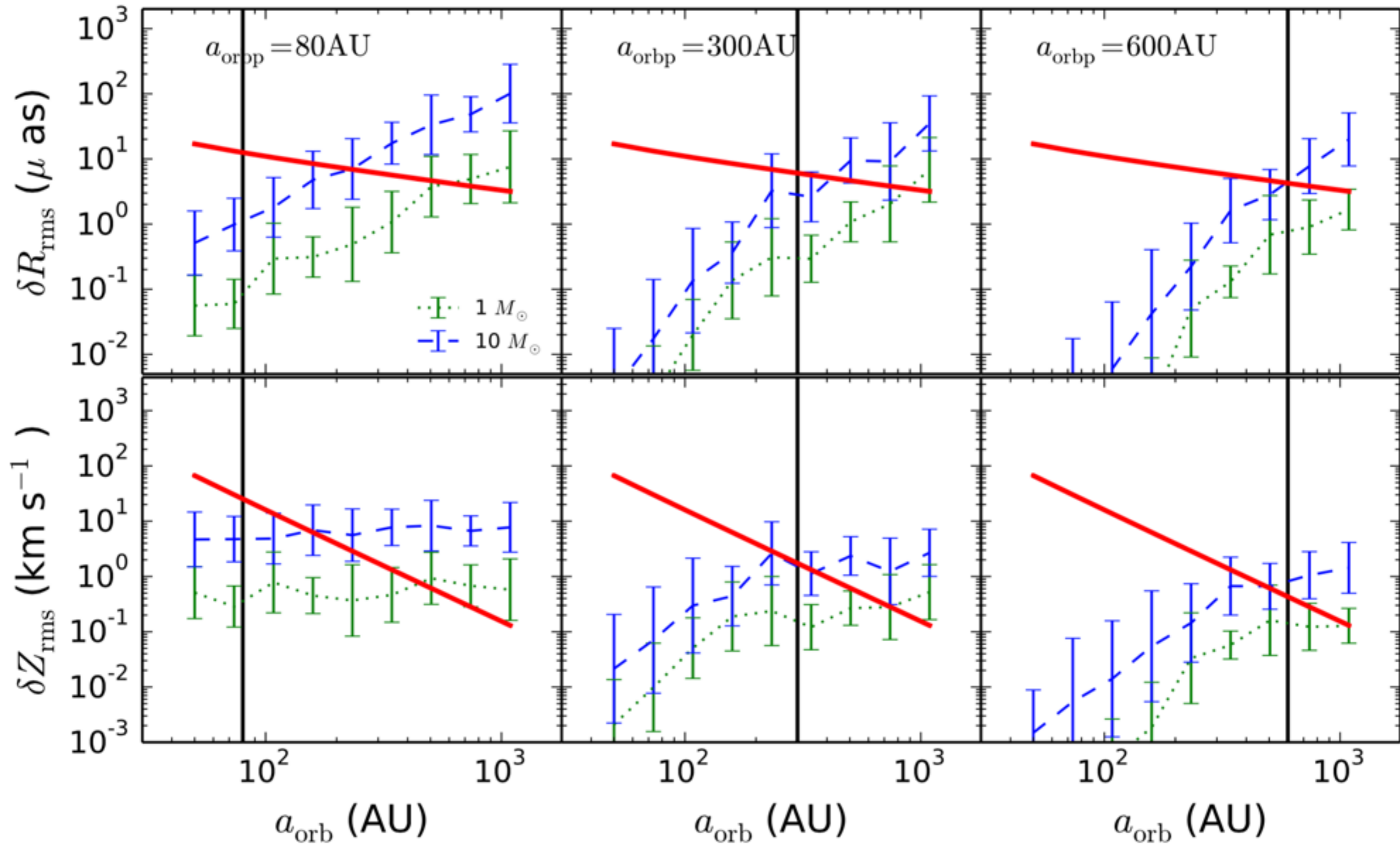
Orbits of S2 perturbed by S0-102

- Variations of the orbital elements of S2



- The orbital period of S2 is perturbed: $|\delta t_0| \sim 0.3$ day after 45 years \rightarrow ~ 40 uas difference in sky position ($>$ spin : 10 uas)

Inner S-stars perturbed by a single perturber



- The stellar perturbations are dominated by perturbers inside the target star

Results:
**Perturbations due to a star
cluster**

Star clusters

- Density profile

$$n(r) \propto r^{-\gamma}$$

- Bahcall-Wolf Cusp (Bahcall & Wolf 1976) $\gamma = 1.75$
- Core-like profile (Do et al. 2009) $\gamma = 0.5$

- Initial conditions (Merritt et al. 2011)

$$f(a_{\text{orbp}}) \propto a_{\text{orbp}}^{2-\gamma} \quad f(e_{\text{orbp}}^2) \propto (1 - e_{\text{orbp}}^2)^{-\beta} \quad \beta \leq \gamma - 1/2$$

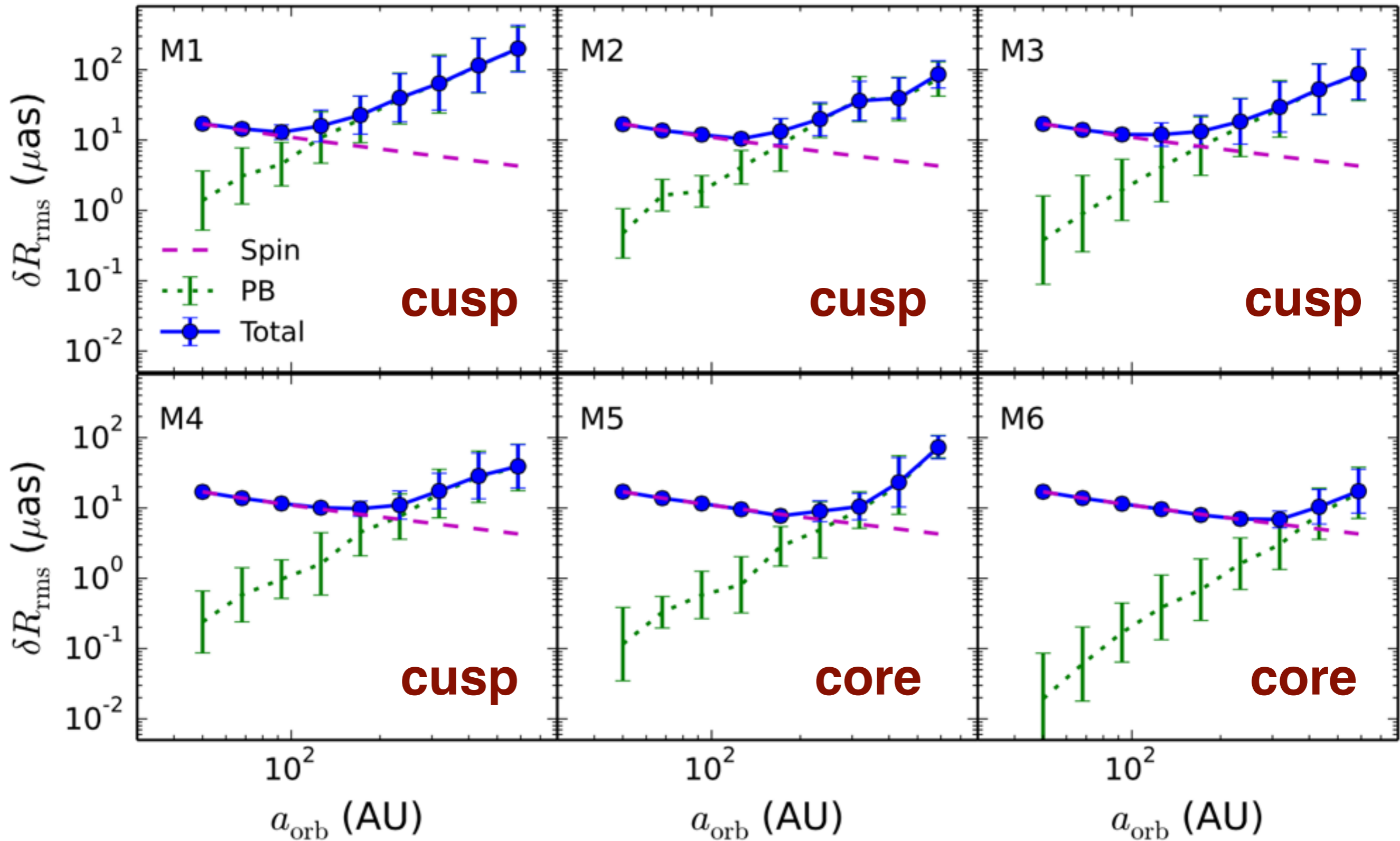
name	M_{10}^{a} (M_{\odot})	M_1^{b} (M_{\odot})	γ	β	m (M_{\odot})	N_p^{c}	N_{cluster}
M1	1780	100	1.75	0.5	10	178	80
M2	1780	100	1.75	0.5	1	1780	8
M3	530	30	1.75	0.5	10	53	280
M4	530	30	1.75	0.5	1	530	28
M5	1581	5	0.5	-0.5	1	1581	10
M6	316	1	0.5	-0.5	1	316	48

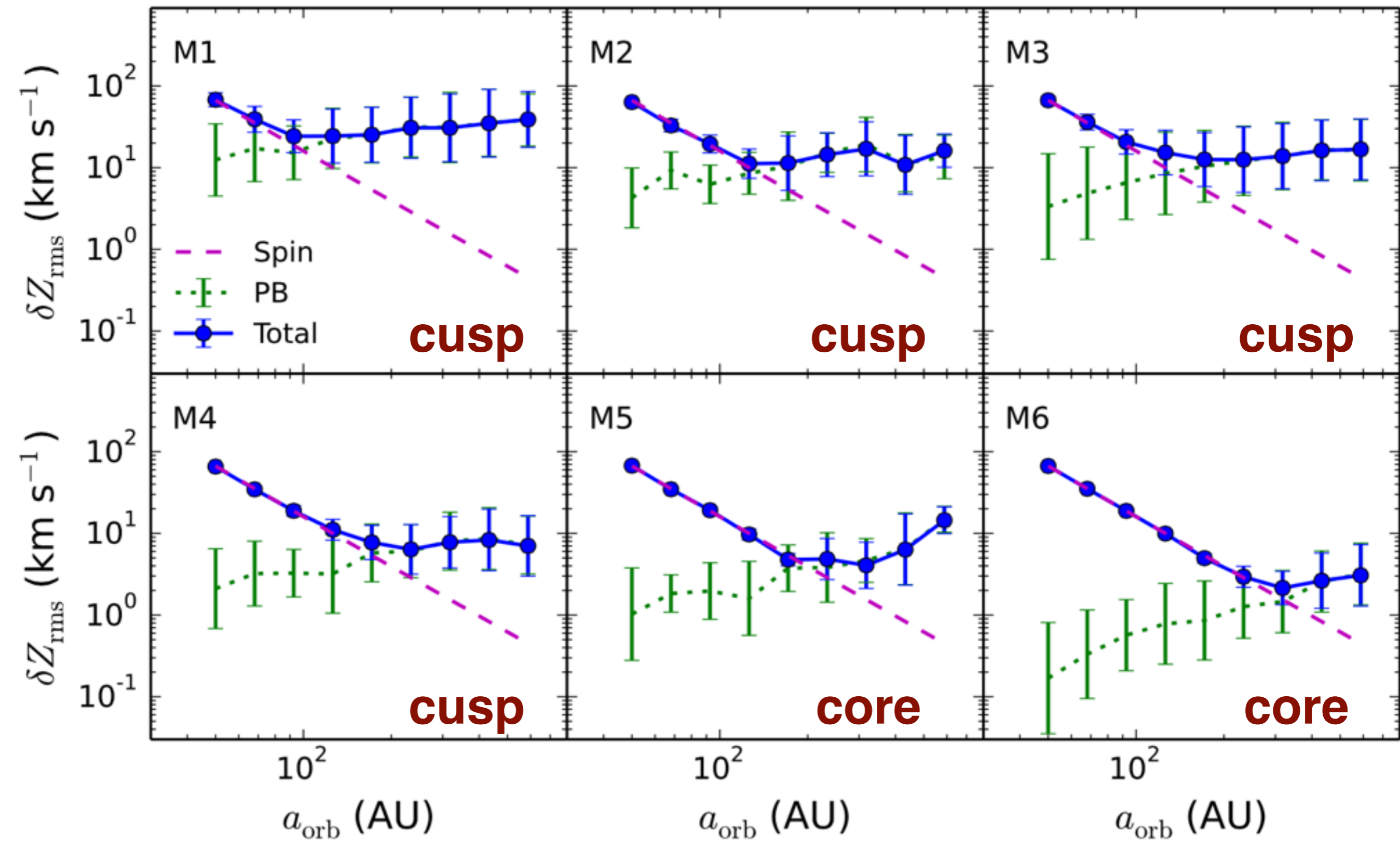
^a The total mass of the stars with $a_{\text{orb}} < 10\text{mpc}$ (~ 2062 AU or ~ 0.26 mas).

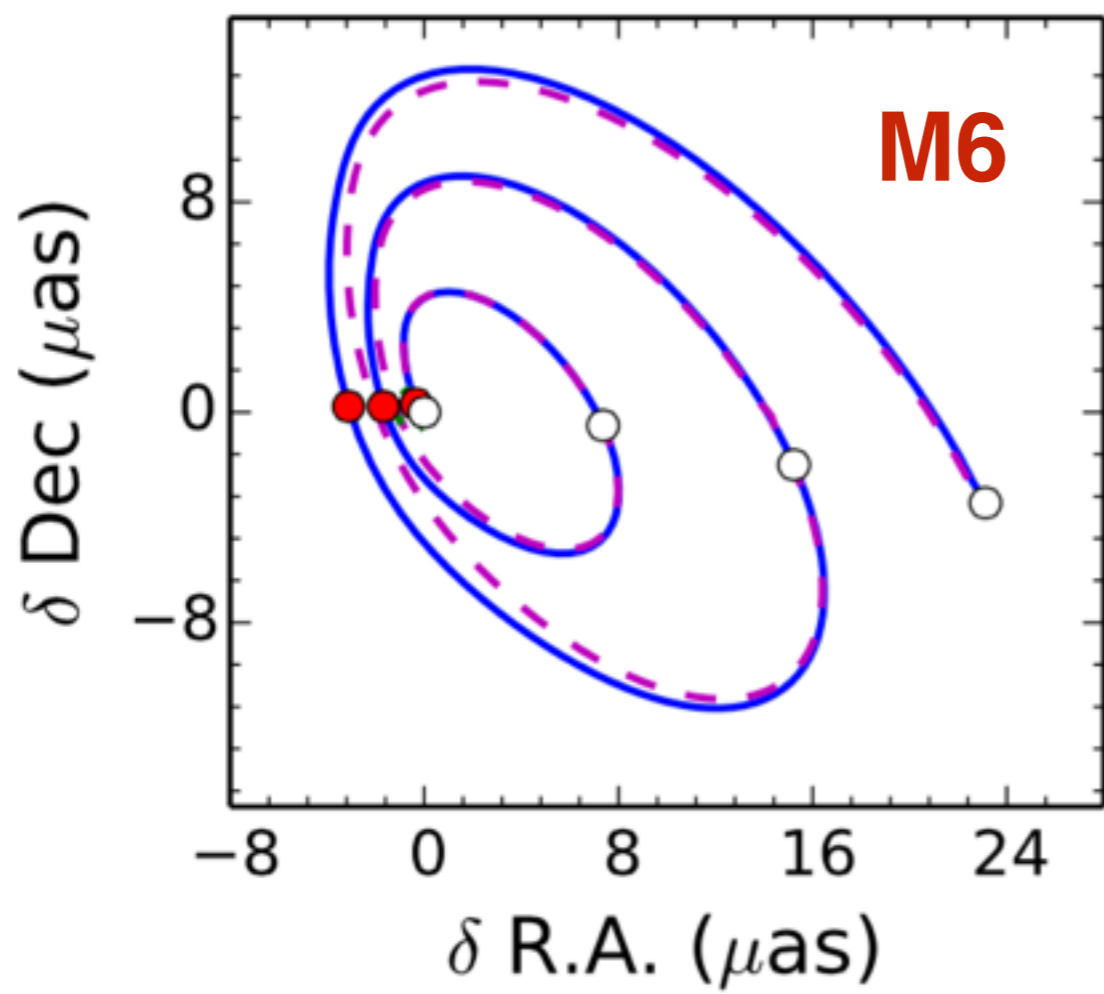
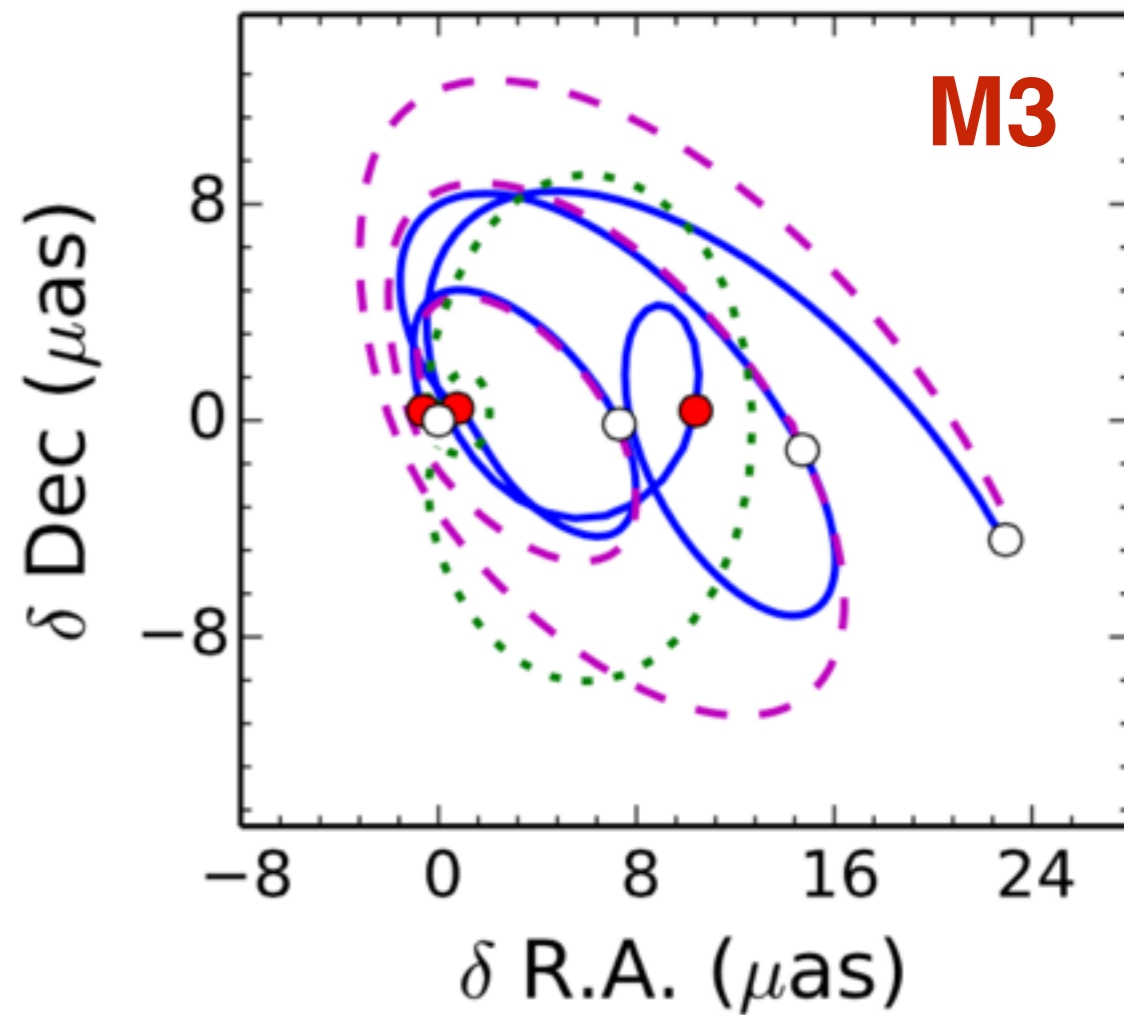
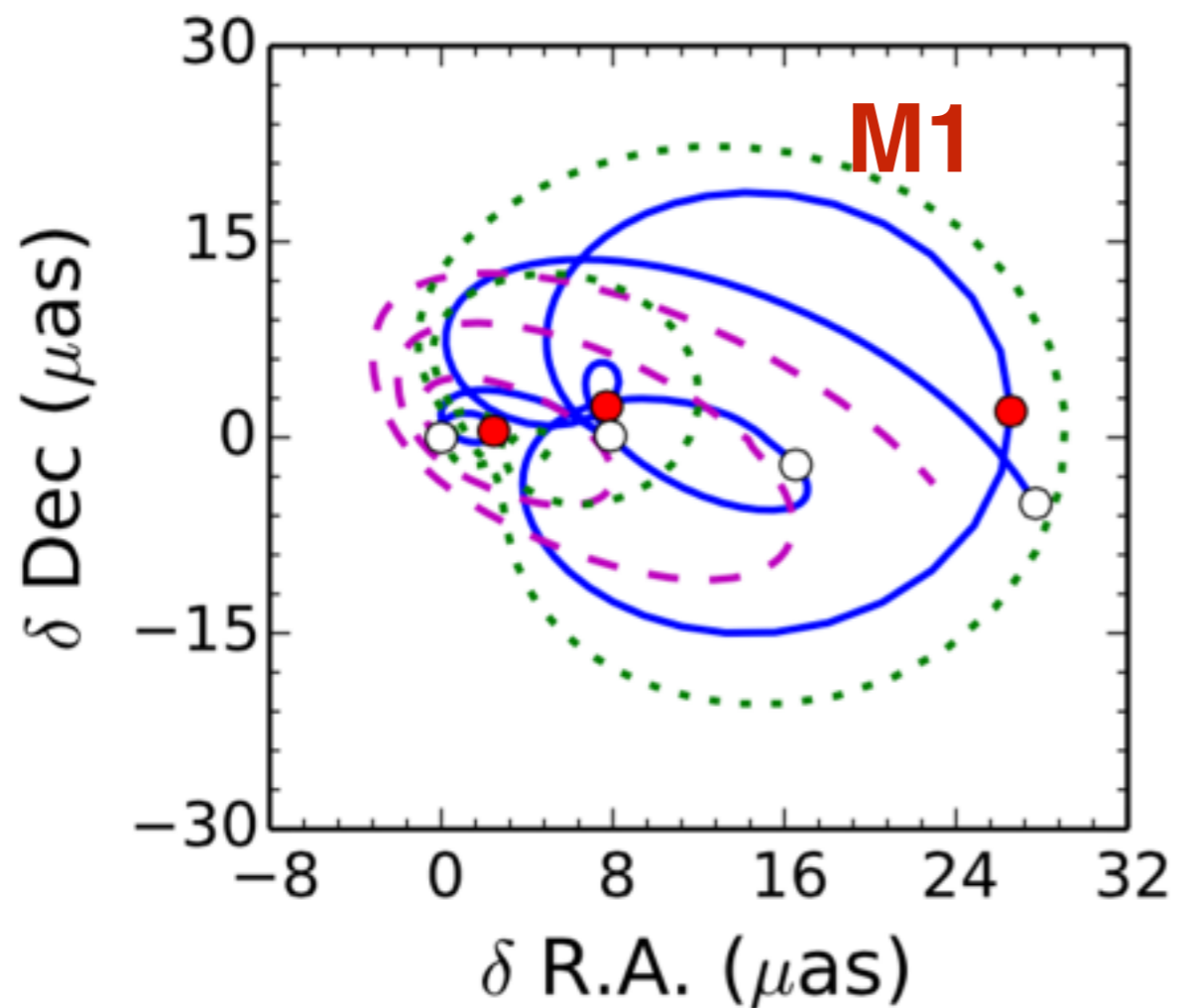
^b The total mass of the stars with $a_{\text{orb}} < 1\text{mpc}$ (~ 206 AU or ~ 0.026 mas).

^c The total number of the stars with $a_{\text{orb}} < 10\text{mpc}$.

Stellar perturbation due to a star cluster

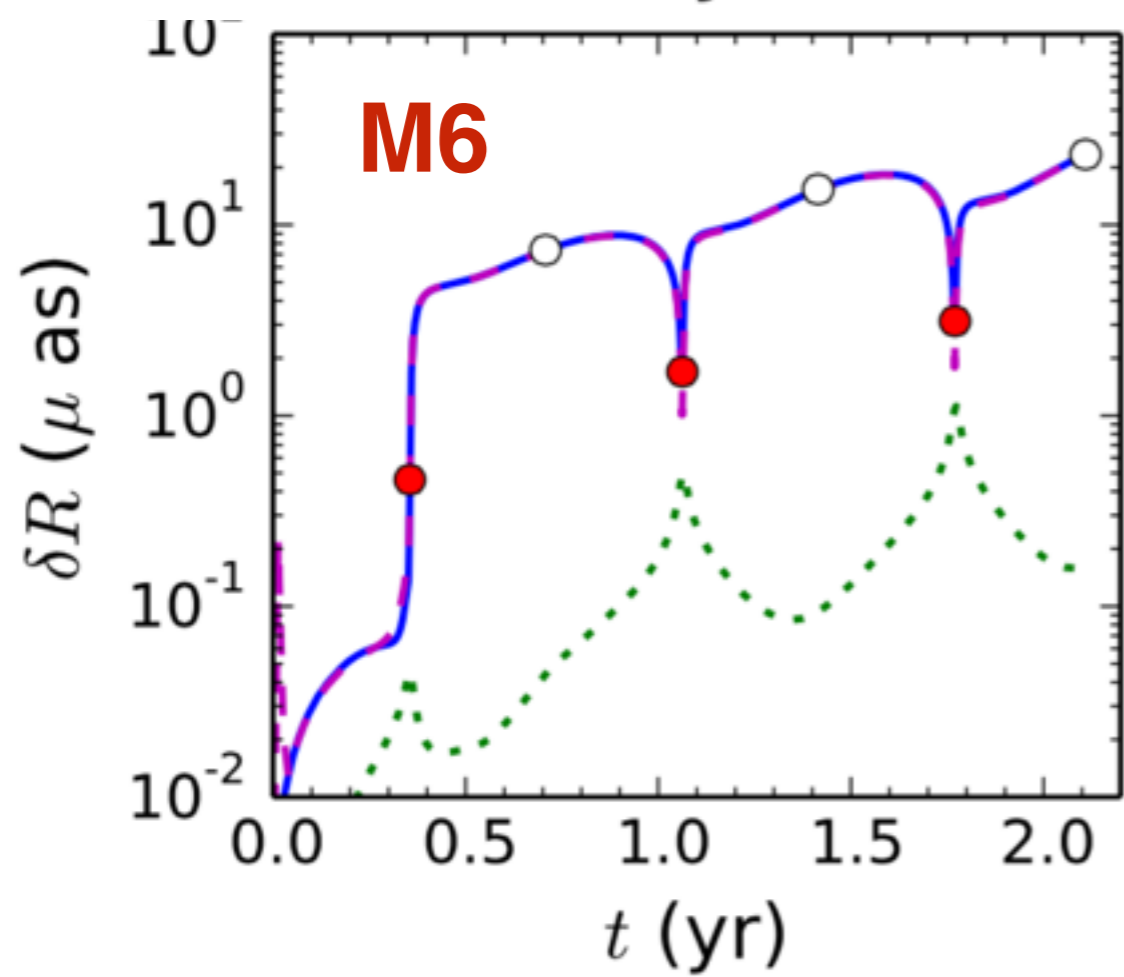
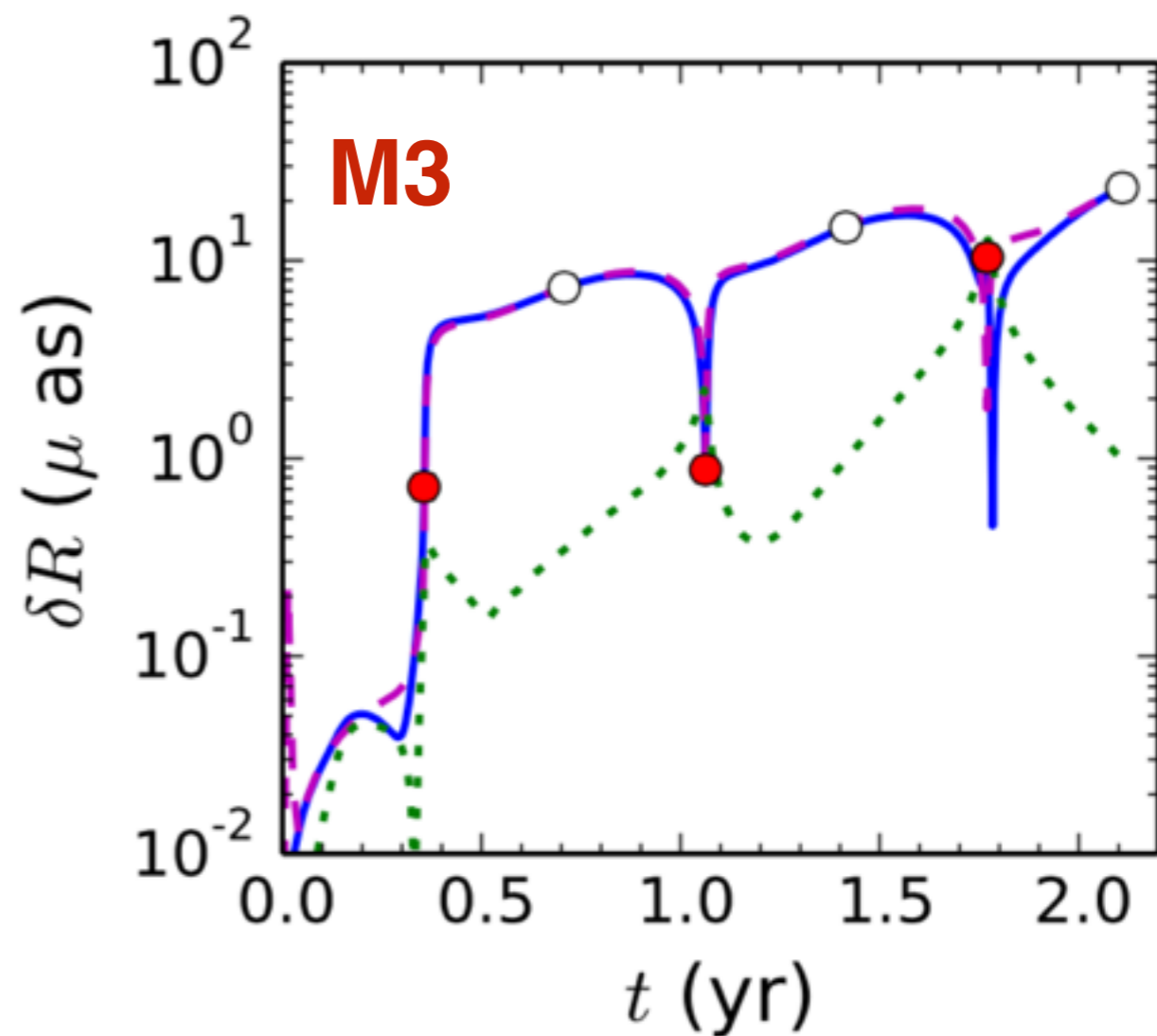
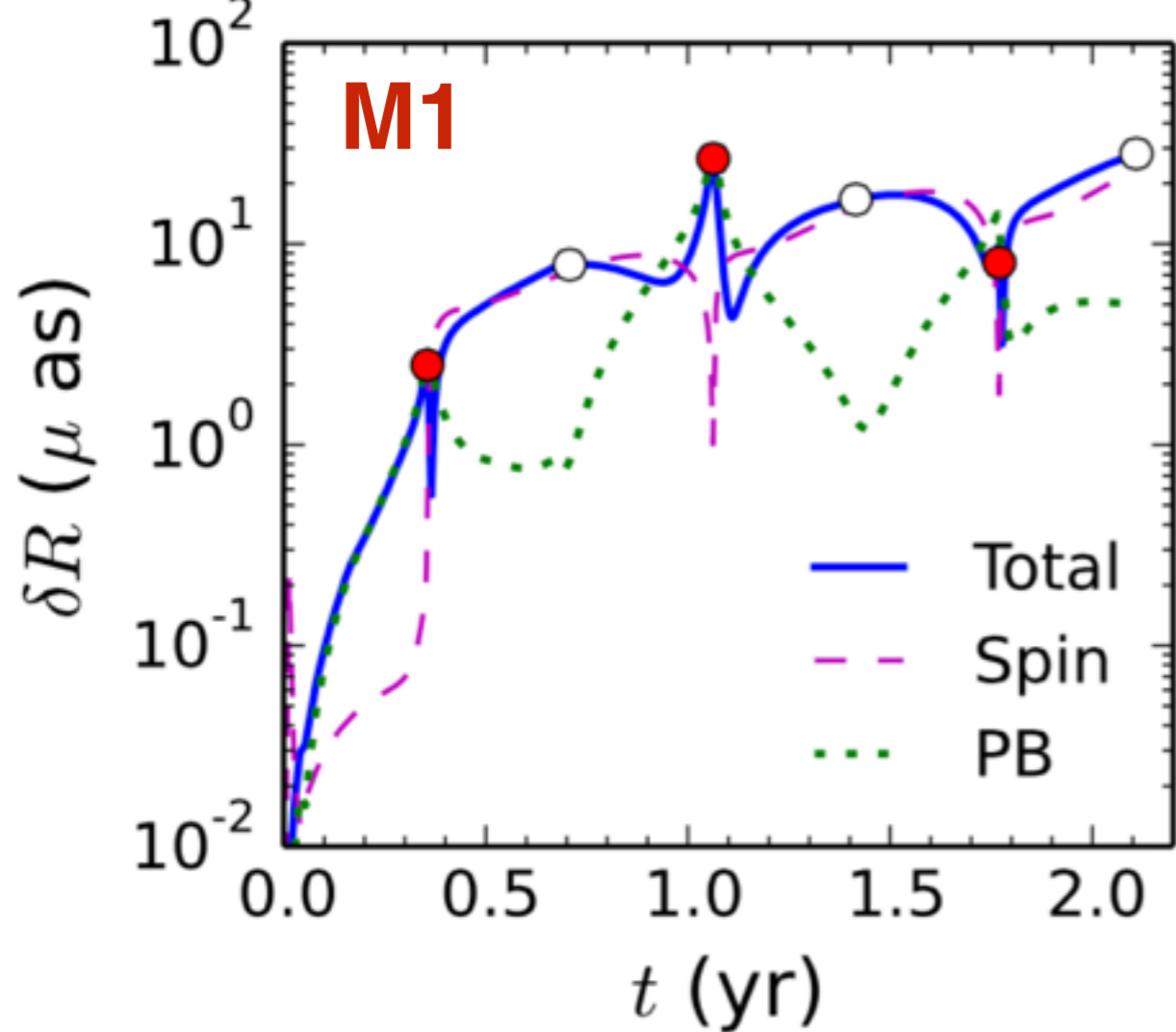






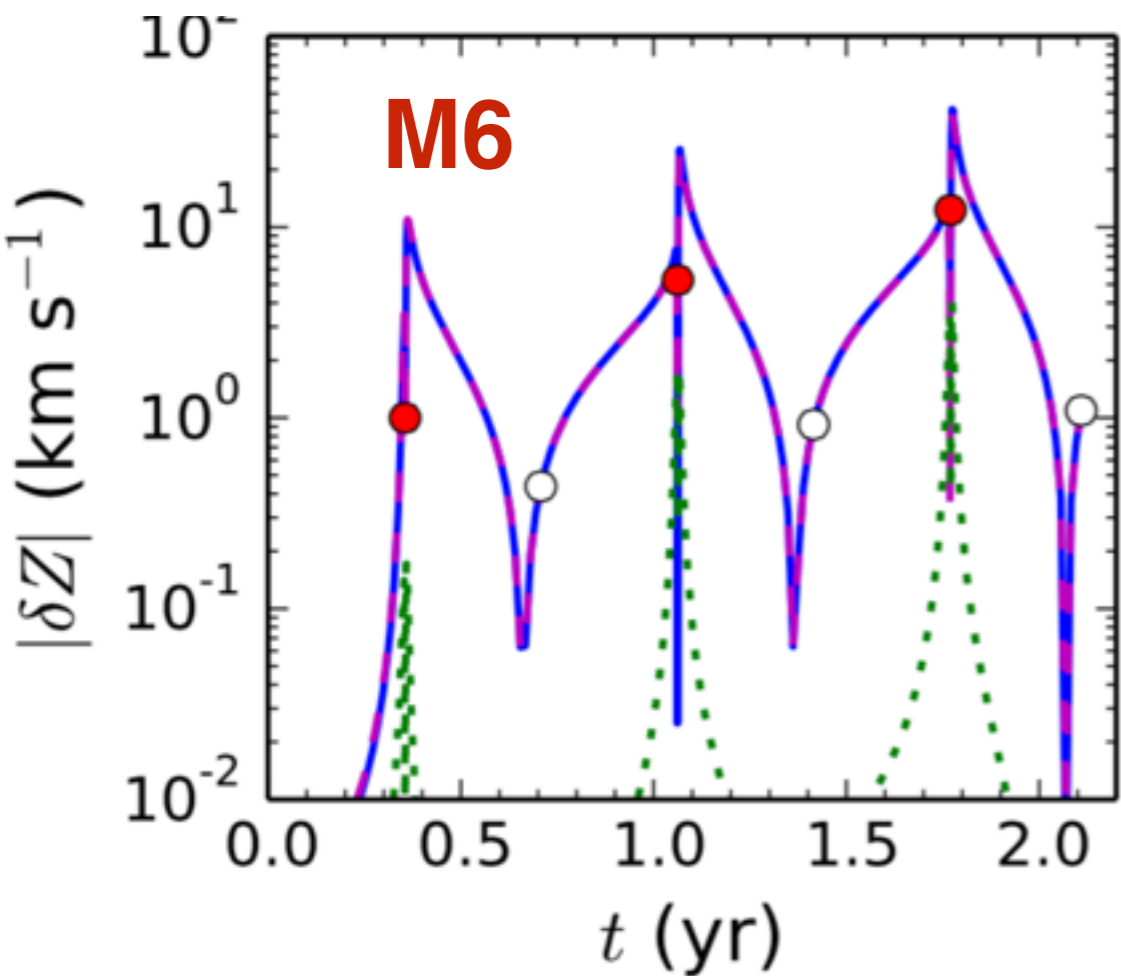
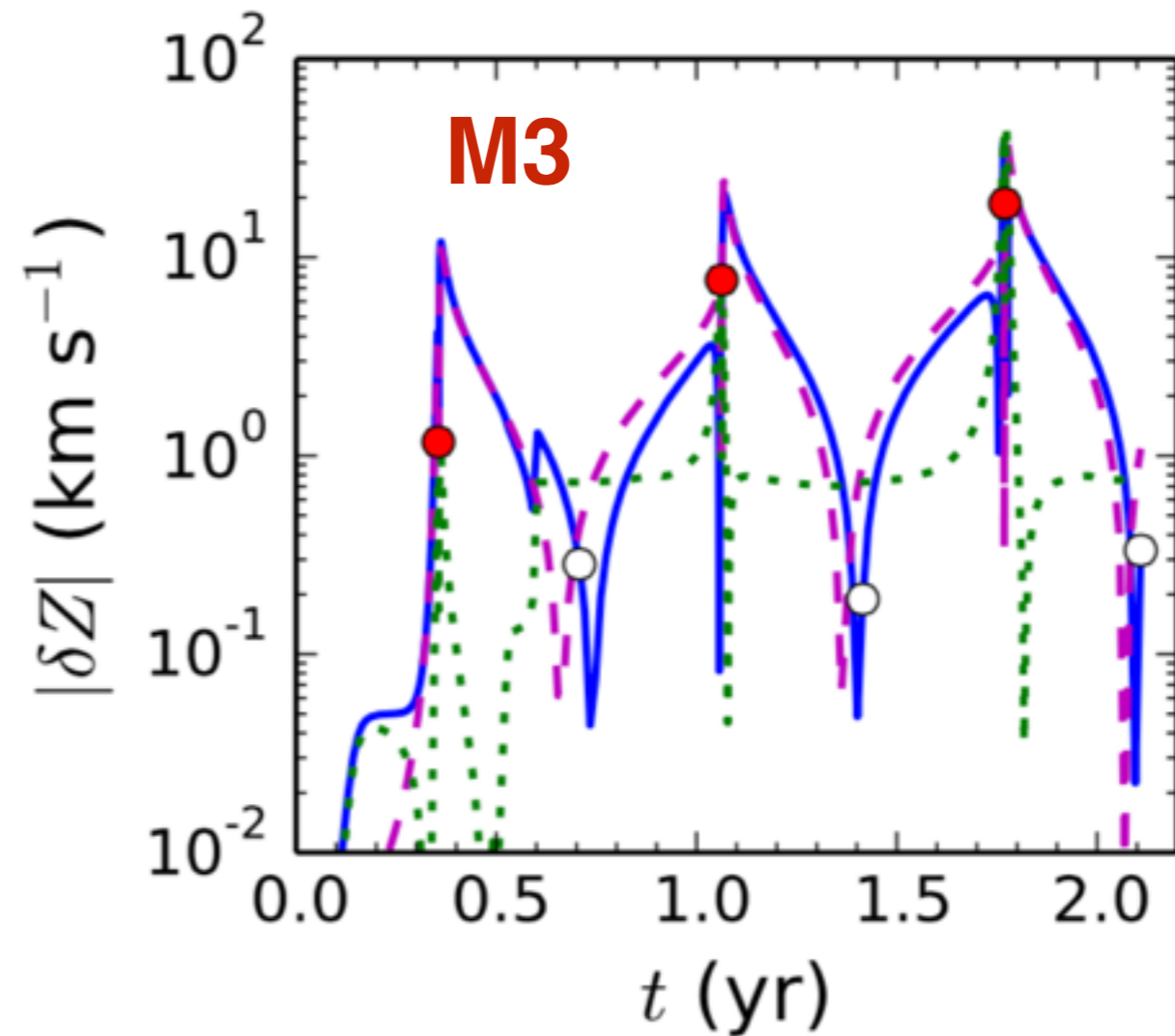
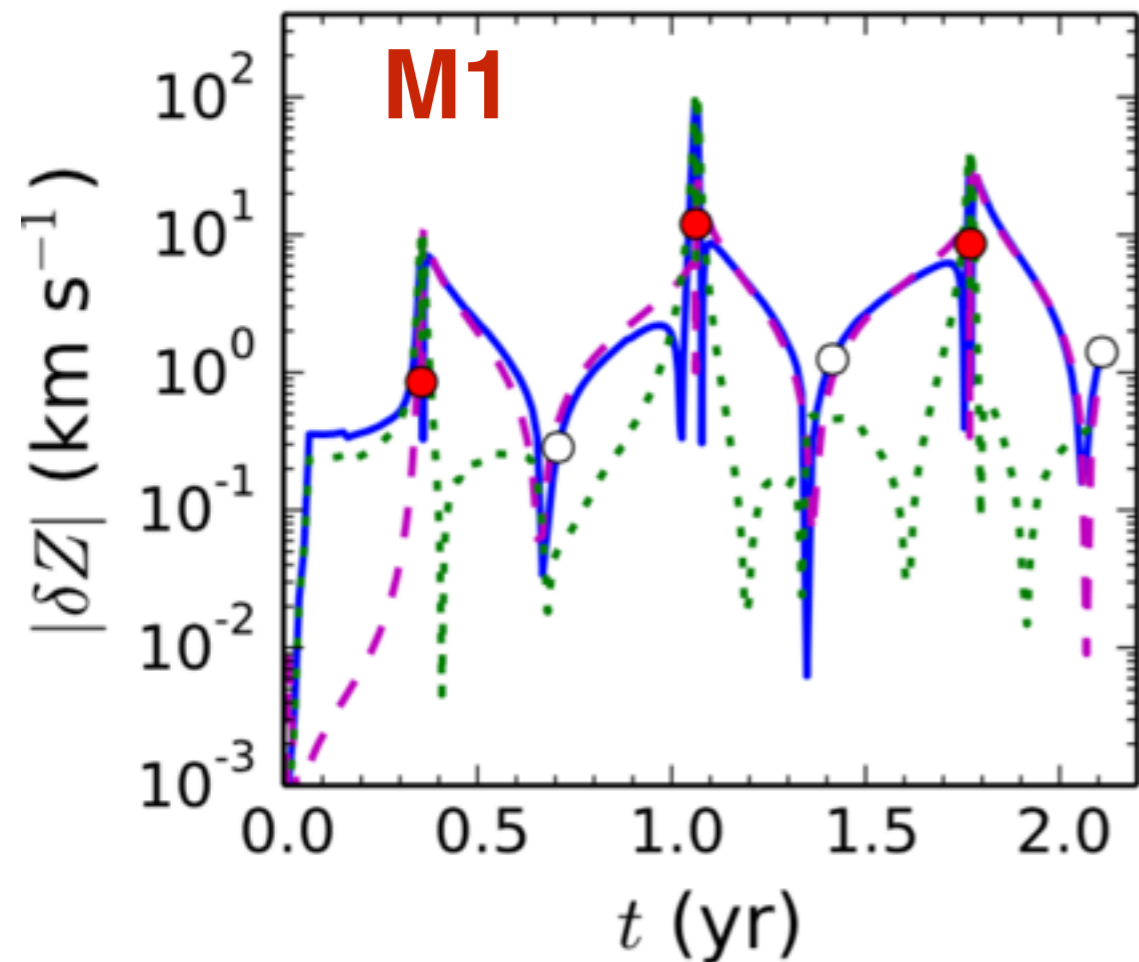
**Position difference in
sky position**

**Target star
 $a_{\text{orb}}=126\text{AU}$**



**Position difference in
sky plane**

**Target star
 $a_{\text{orb}}=126\text{AU}$**



Redshift difference

Target star
 $a_{\text{orb}}=126\text{AU}$

Summary and discussion

- The spin-induced effects of S2/S0-2 are very likely obscured by the stellar perturbations from the S0-102.
- The stellar perturbations are dominated by perturbers inside the target star
- The stellar perturbations peaks around pericenter.
- Perturbed orbital period of stars
- The spin-induced effects dominates the signal for target stars inside 100-200AU if a clusters of stars exists around the MBH. But in principle the stellar perturbations are separable

Thank you!~~~