



Hunting for dark matter in the forest (astrophysical constraints on warm dark matter)

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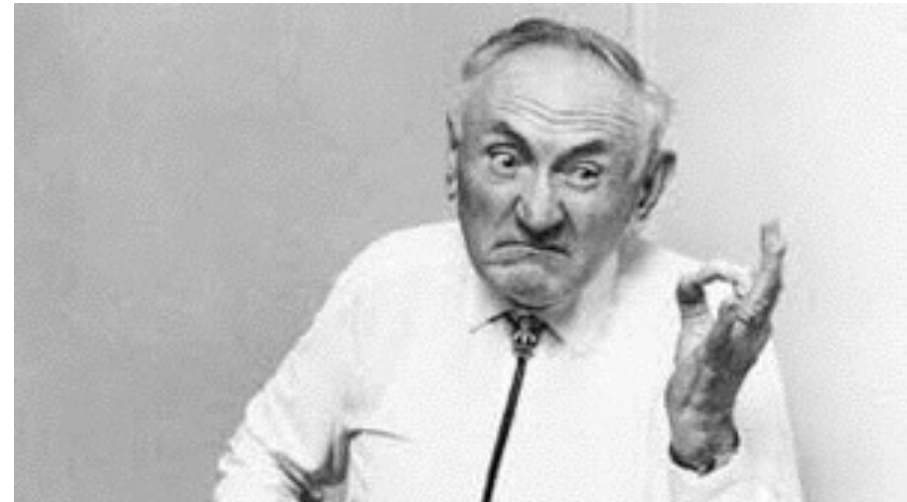
Dark matter: Do we need it? What is it? Where is it? How much?

The Dark Matter Rap: Cosmological History for the MTV Generation
by David Weinberg



My name is Fritz Zwicky,
I can be kind of prickly,
This song had better start
by giving me priority.
Whatever anybody says,
I said in 1933.

Observe the Coma cluster,
the redshifts of the galaxies
imply some big velocities.
They're moving so fast,
there must be missing mass!
Dark matter.



Dark matter: Do we need it? What is it? Where is it? How much?
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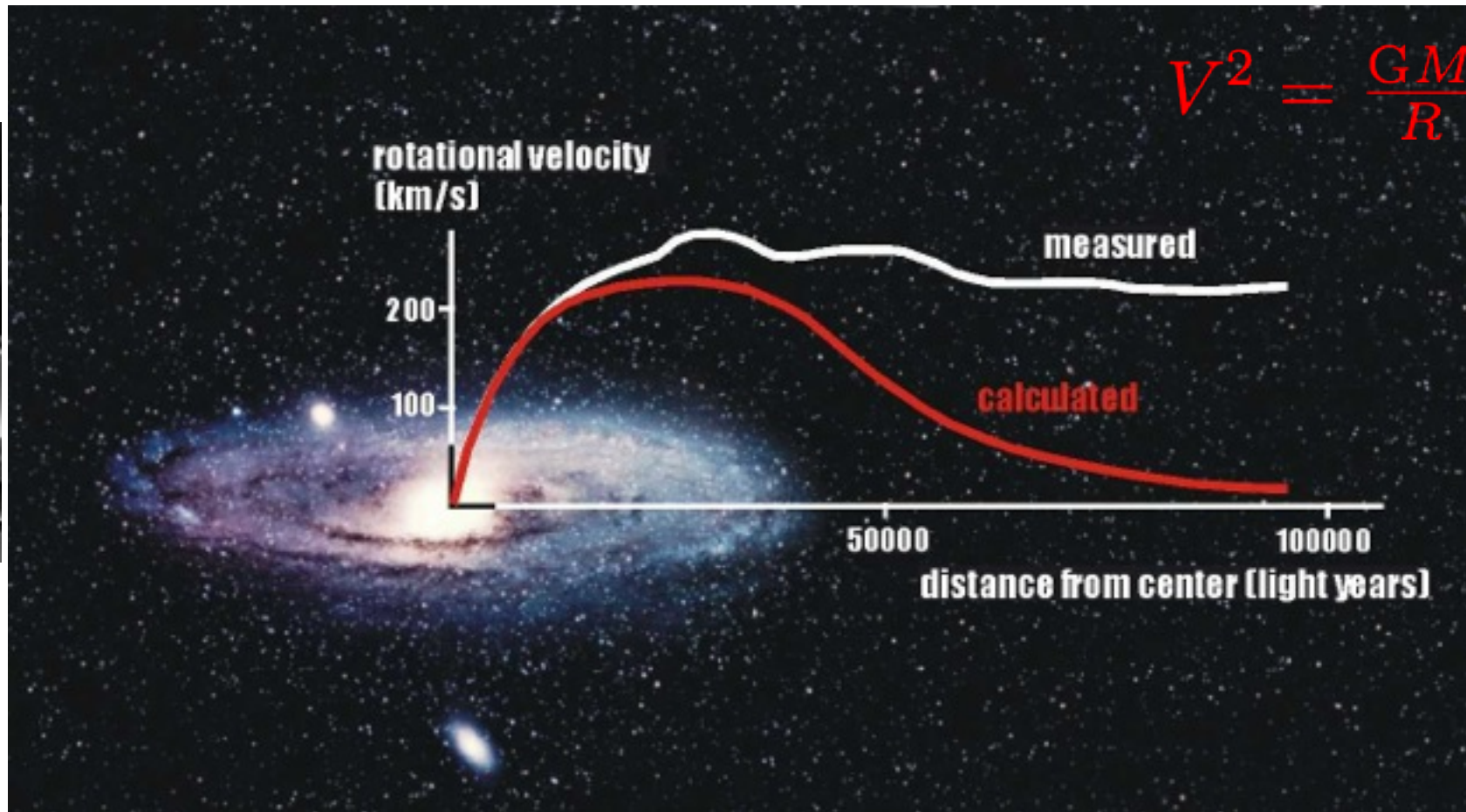
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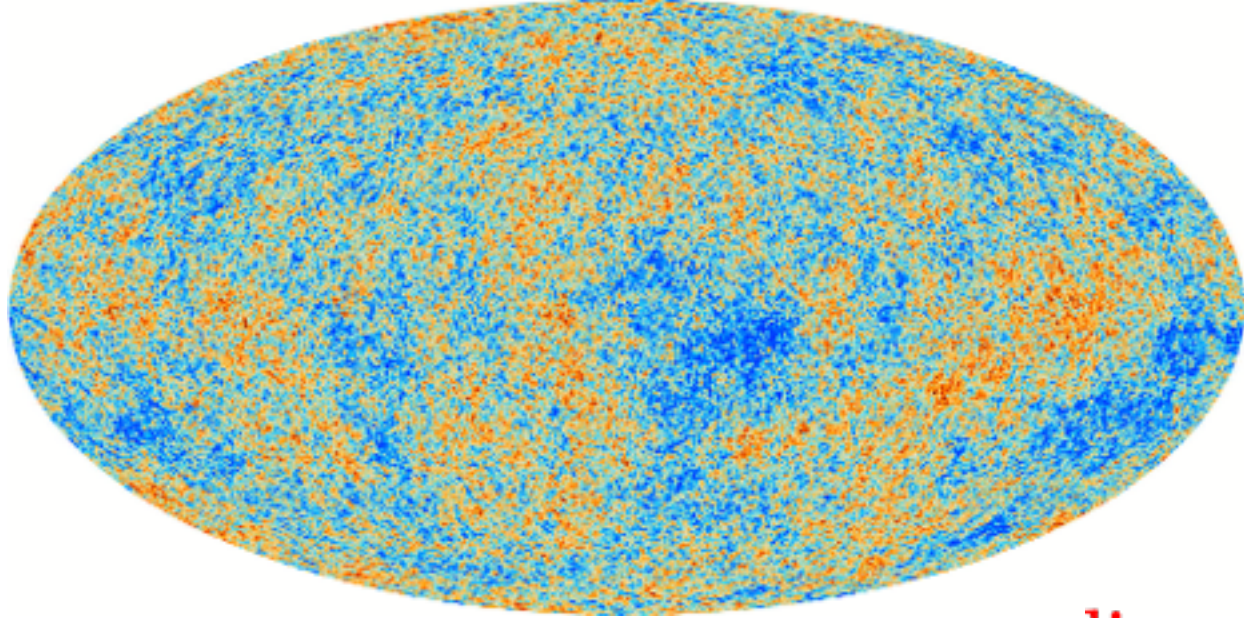
Cosmological History for the Twitter Generation

Galaxies and how they are distributed in the Universe require the existence of mass that does not shine. The nature of this dark matter is presently unknown.



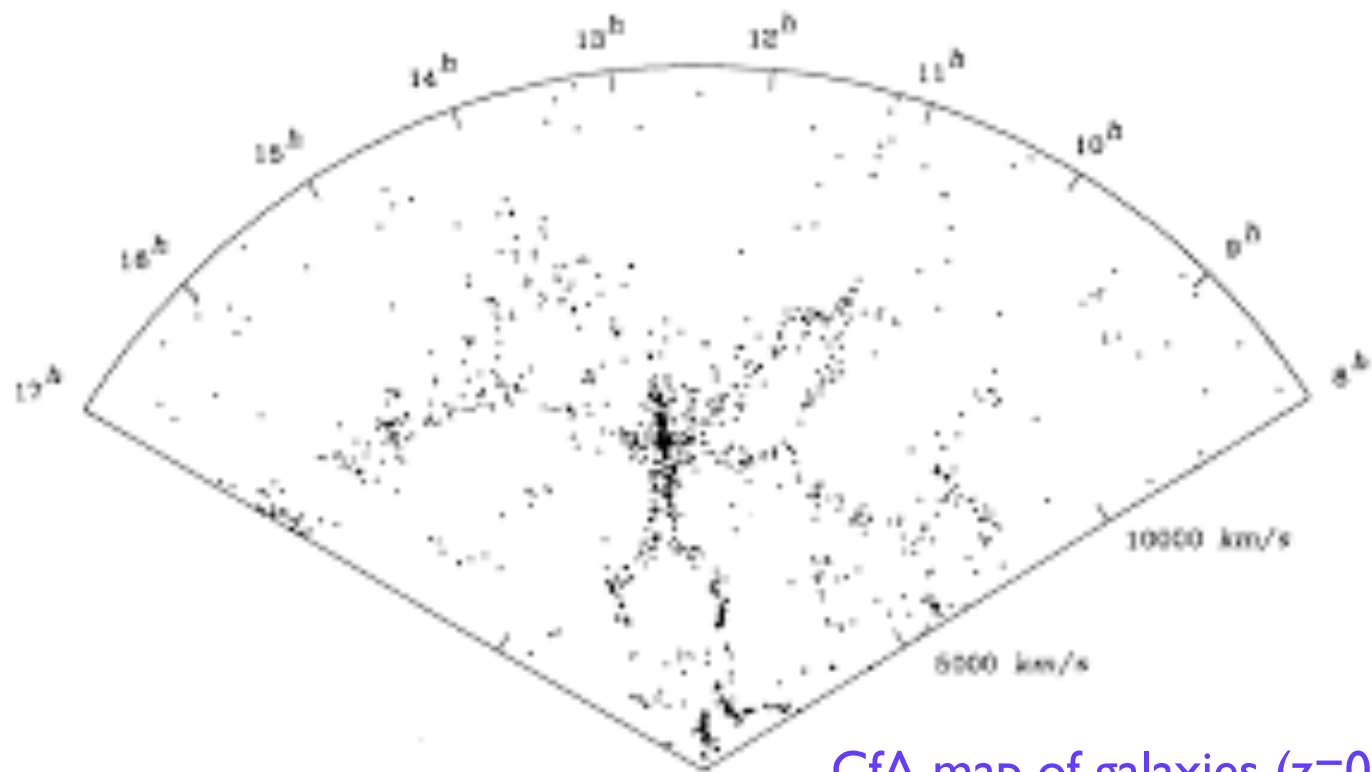
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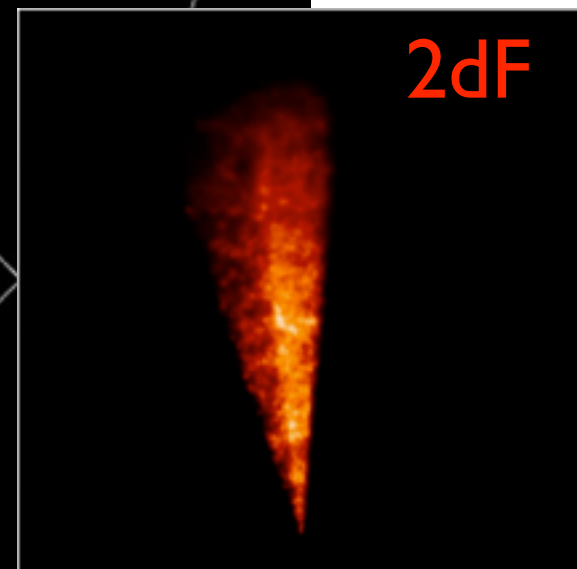
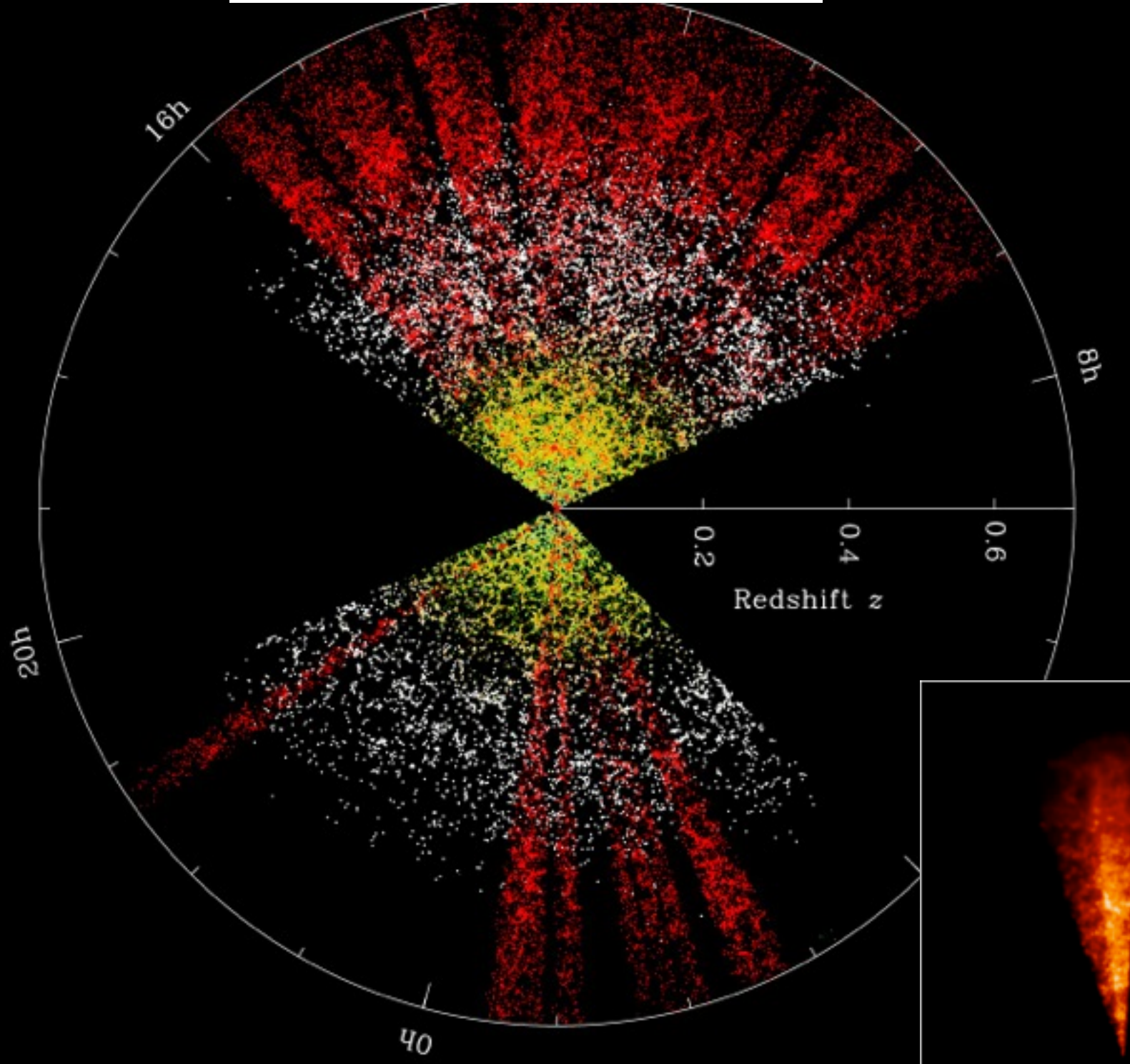
Planck CMB map (z=1000)

linear growth: $\delta \propto \frac{1}{1+z}$



CfA map of galaxies (z=0)

Galaxy clustering: SDSS



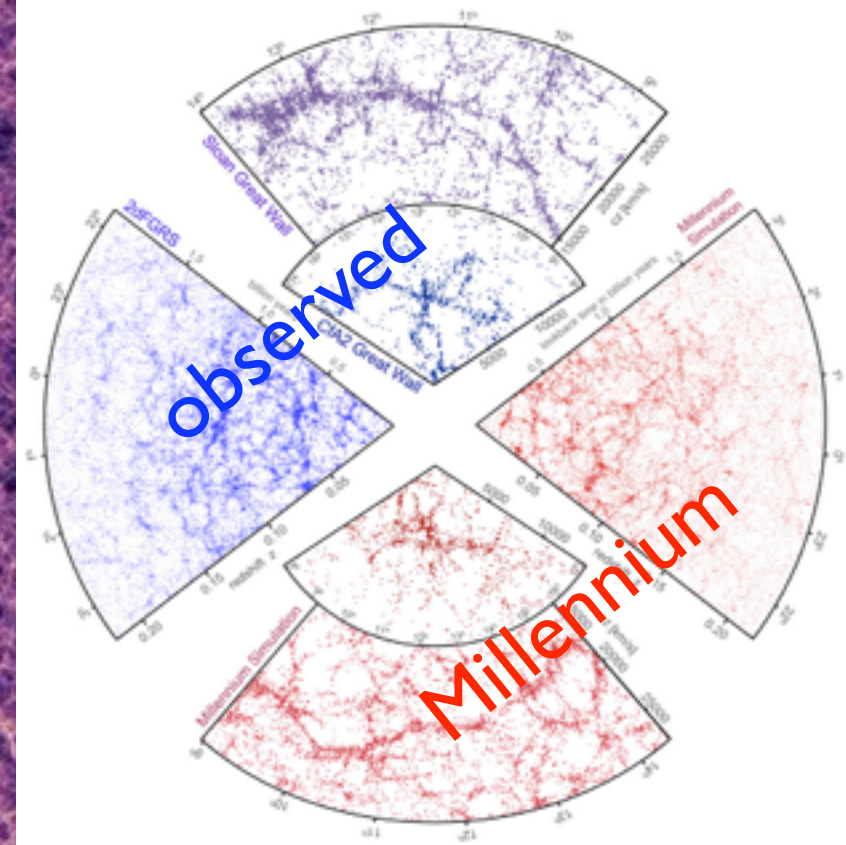
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1 Gpc/h

Millennium Simulation

10.077.696.000 particles



Springel +05



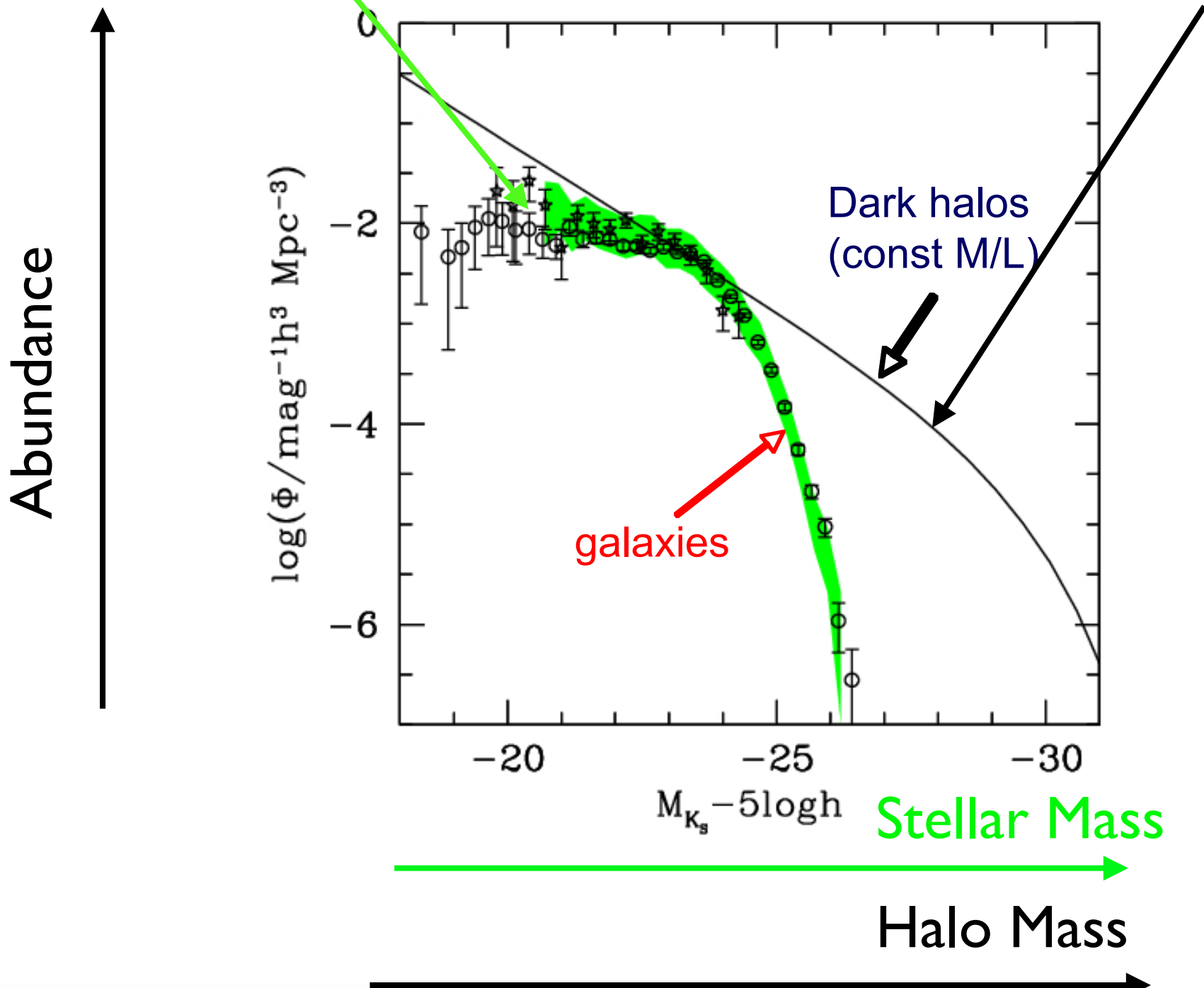
(z = 0) movie: Volker Springel

Millennium simulation + galaxy formation model

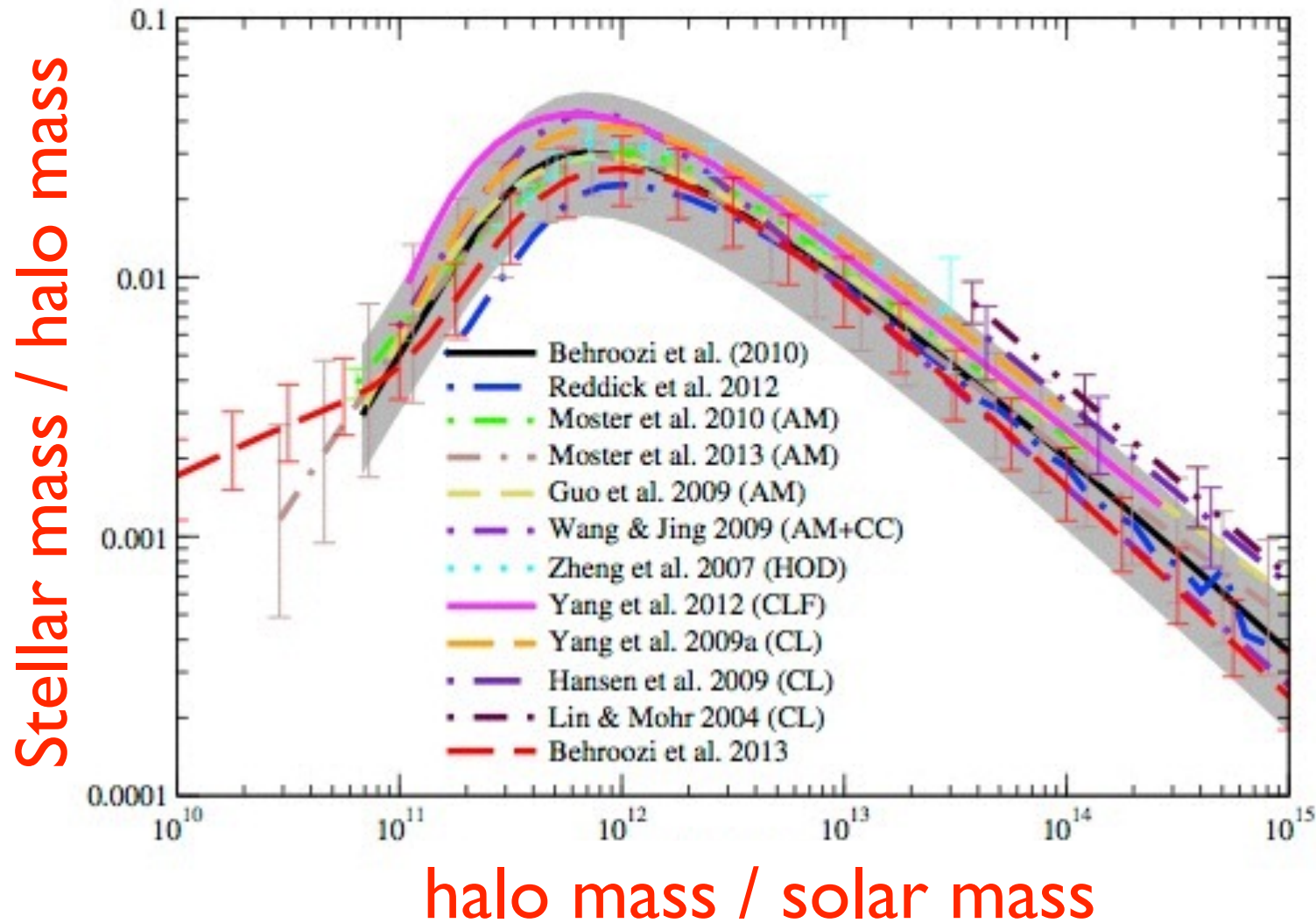


movie: John Helly (Durham)

Galaxy stellar mass function versus dark matter halo mass function



Galaxy formation efficiency



The EAGLE project: Simulating the evolution and assembly of galaxies and their environments

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- 1504^3 Gadget 3 simulation
- $(100 \text{ Mpc})^3$ volume
- baryonic mass $10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$
- Calibrated to $z=0$ stellar MF
- Local subgrid physics

The EAGLE simulations

EVOLUTION AND ASSEMBLY OF GALAXIES AND THEIR ENVIRONMENTS
A project of the Virgo consortium

$z = 19.9$
 $L = 25.0 \text{ cMpc}$

Visible components:
CDM

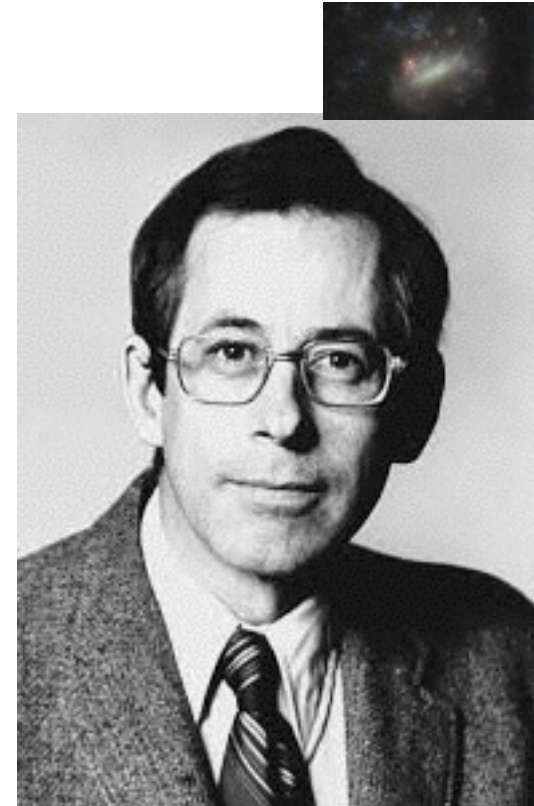
Dark matter: what do we need from it?

non-baryonic, small cross section, does not radiate (much): how about neutrinos?



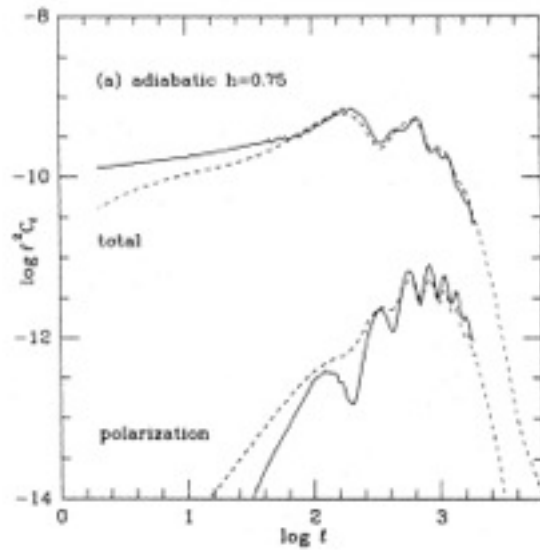
Zel'dovich

actually: that won't make galaxies!

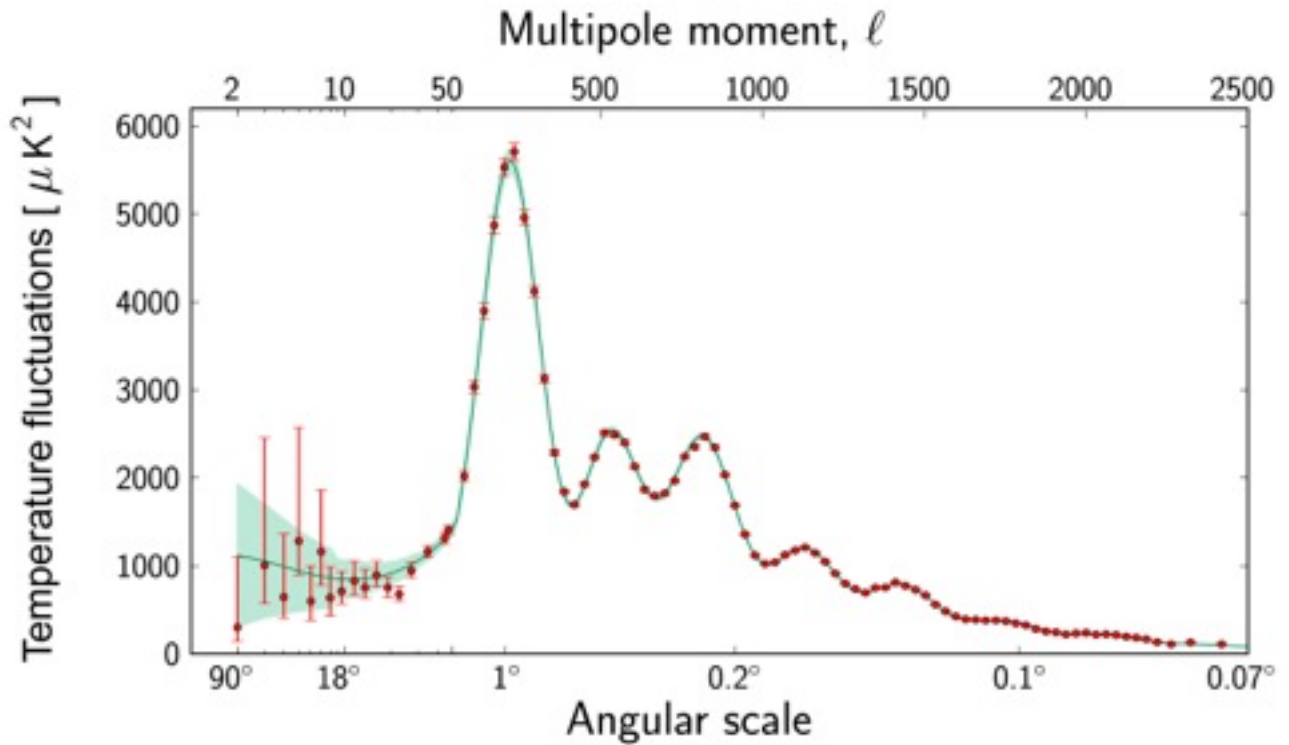


Peebles

The cold dark matter power spectrum



... as computed by Bond & Efstathiou '87

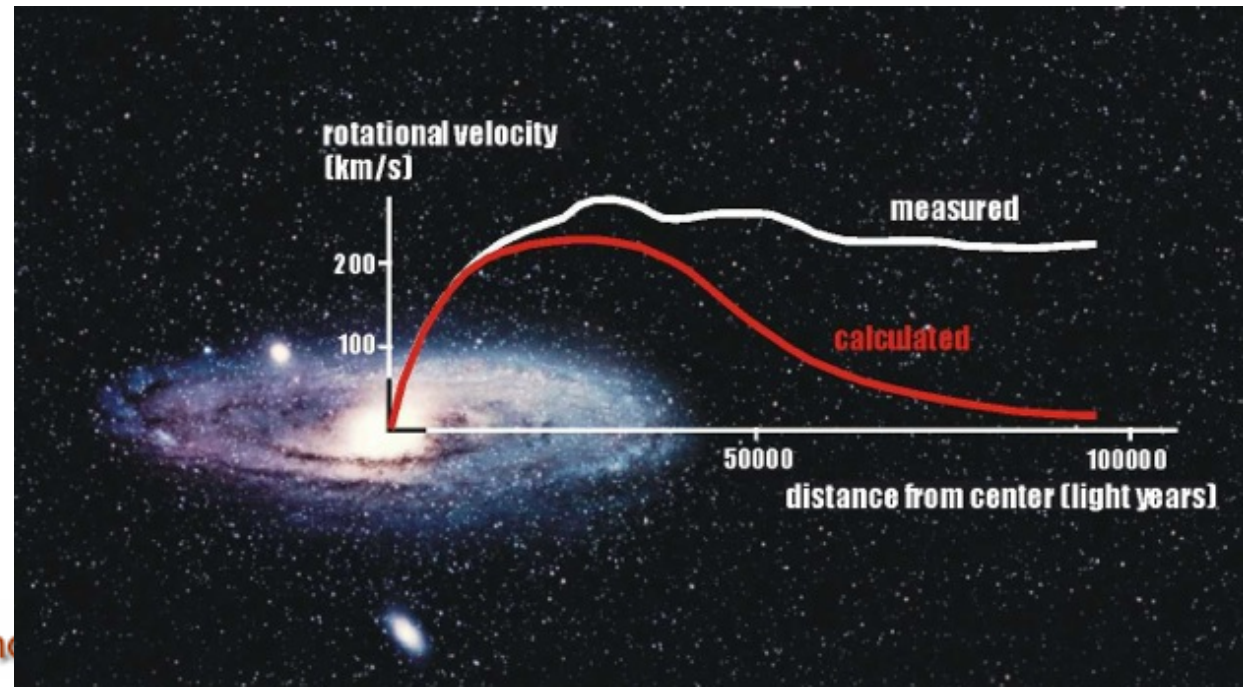


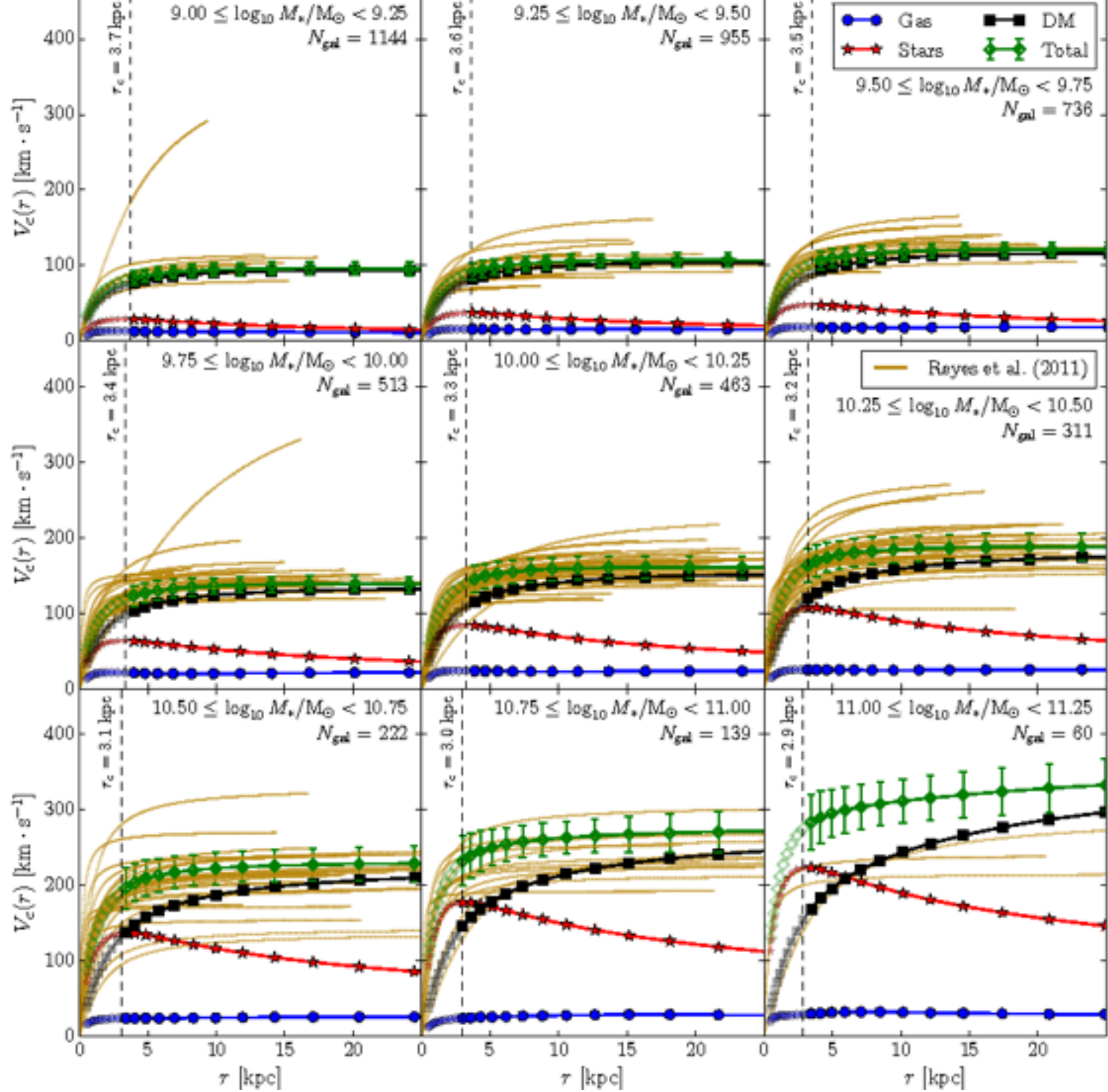
...and as measured by Planck

NFW in profile



NFW profile:
$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_s}{(r/r_s)(1 + r/r_s)^2},$$





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$z = 48.4$

$T = 0.05 \text{ Gyr}$

500 kpc

Aquarius: Springel+08

Three (four?) issues with CDM:

Discrepancies have emerged between the predictions of standard cold dark matter (CDM) theory and observations of clustering on subgalactic scales. Warm dark matter (WDM) is a simple modification of CDM in which the dark matter particles have initial velocities due either to their having decoupled as thermal relics or to their having been formed via nonequilibrium decay. We investigate the nonlinear gravitational clustering of WDM with a high-resolution N -body code and identify a number of distinctive observational signatures. Relative to CDM, halo concentrations and core densities are lowered, core radii are increased, and large halos emerge with far fewer low-mass satellites. The number of small halos is suppressed, and those present are formed by “top-down” fragmentation of caustics, as part of a “cosmic web” connecting massive halos. Few small halos form outside this web. If we identify small halos with dwarf galaxies, then their number, spatial distribution, and formation epoch appear in better agreement with the observations for WDM than they are for CDM.



HALO FORMATION IN WARM DARK MATTER MODELS

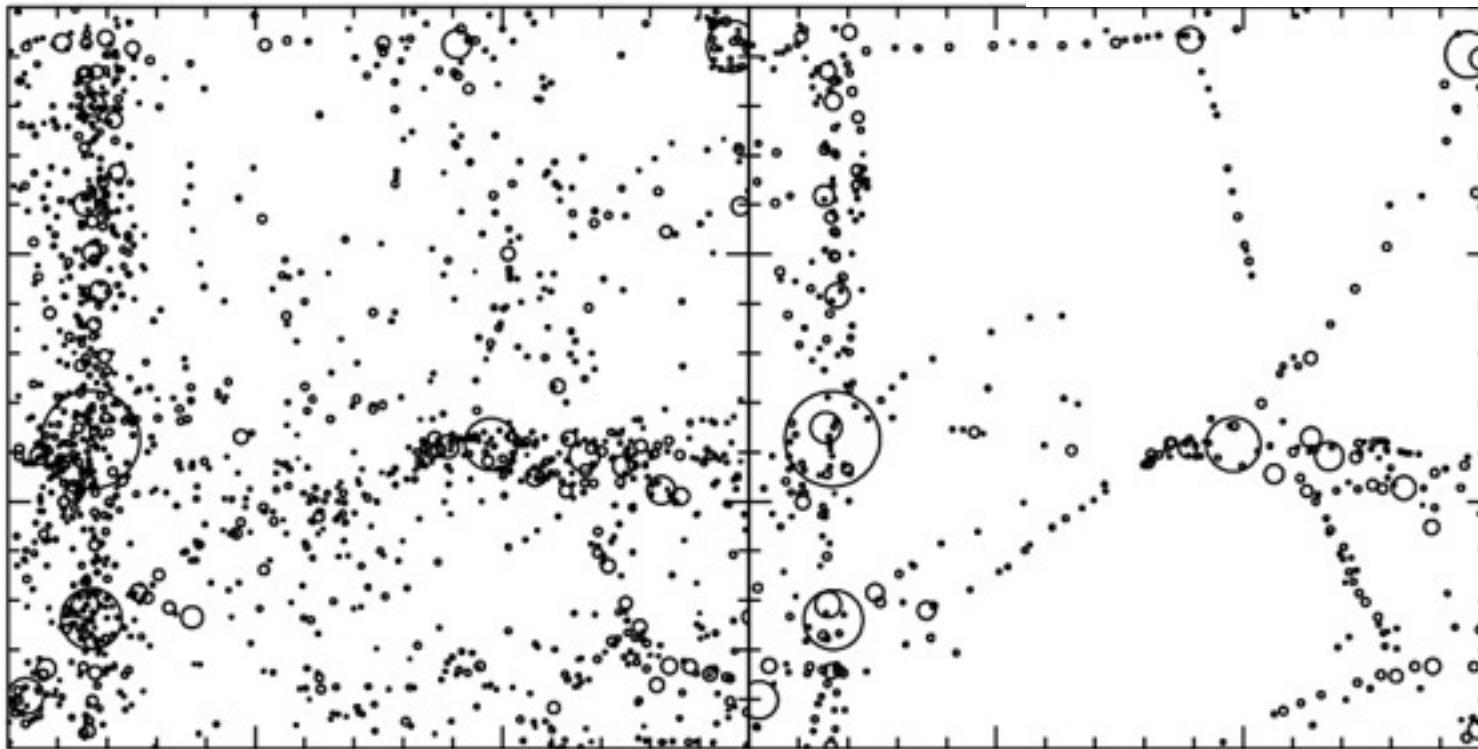
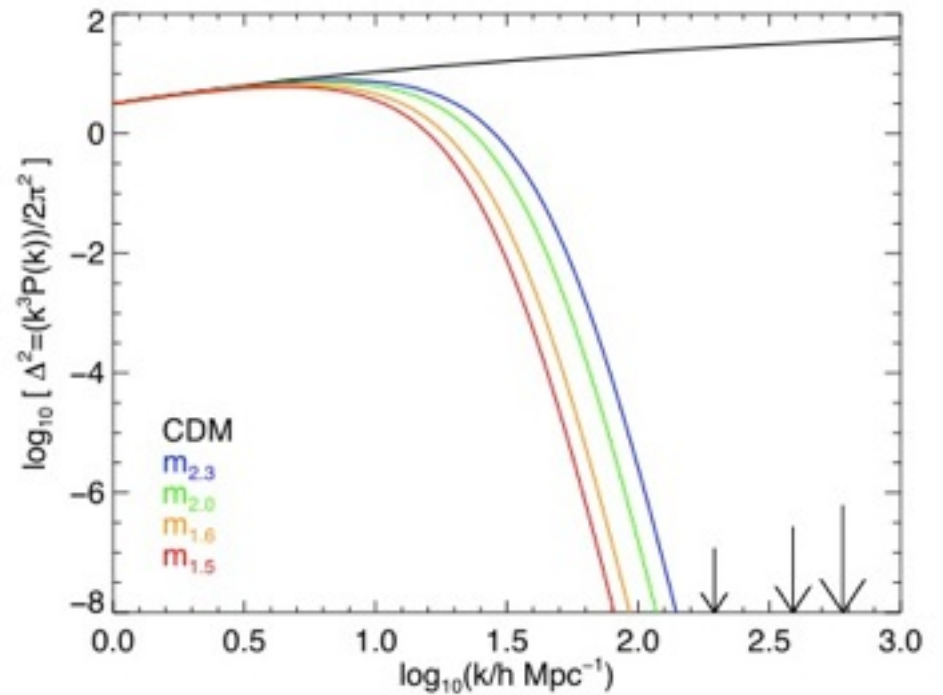
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All these can be solved by warm dark matter

CDM

WDM



LCDM

m = 1.5 keV

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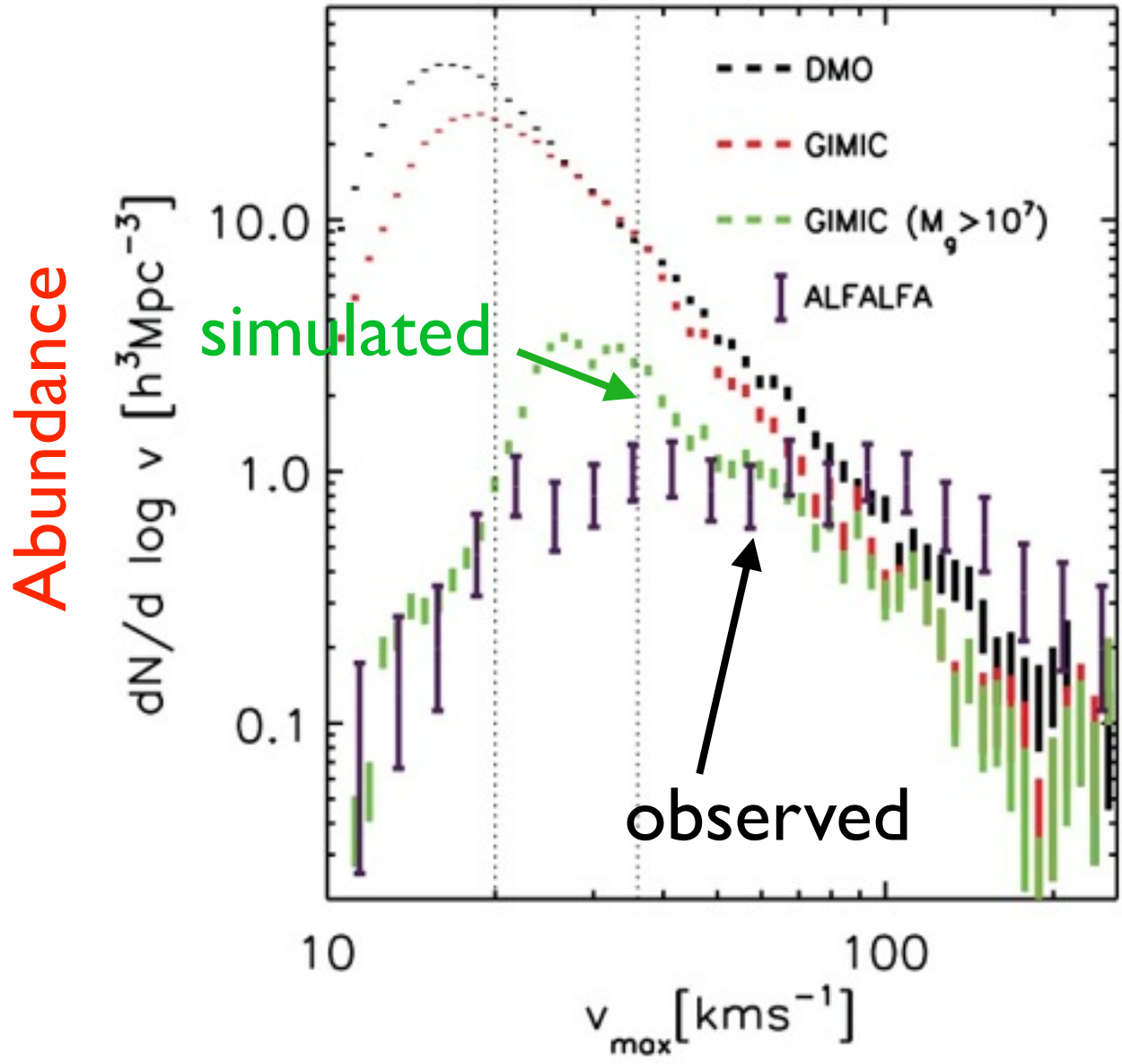
I “Observed voids are more empty than in cold dark matter”

(Peebles)



Which dark matter halos are “observable”?

halos observable in neutral hydrogen



2: “Cold dark matter predicts too many satellites”

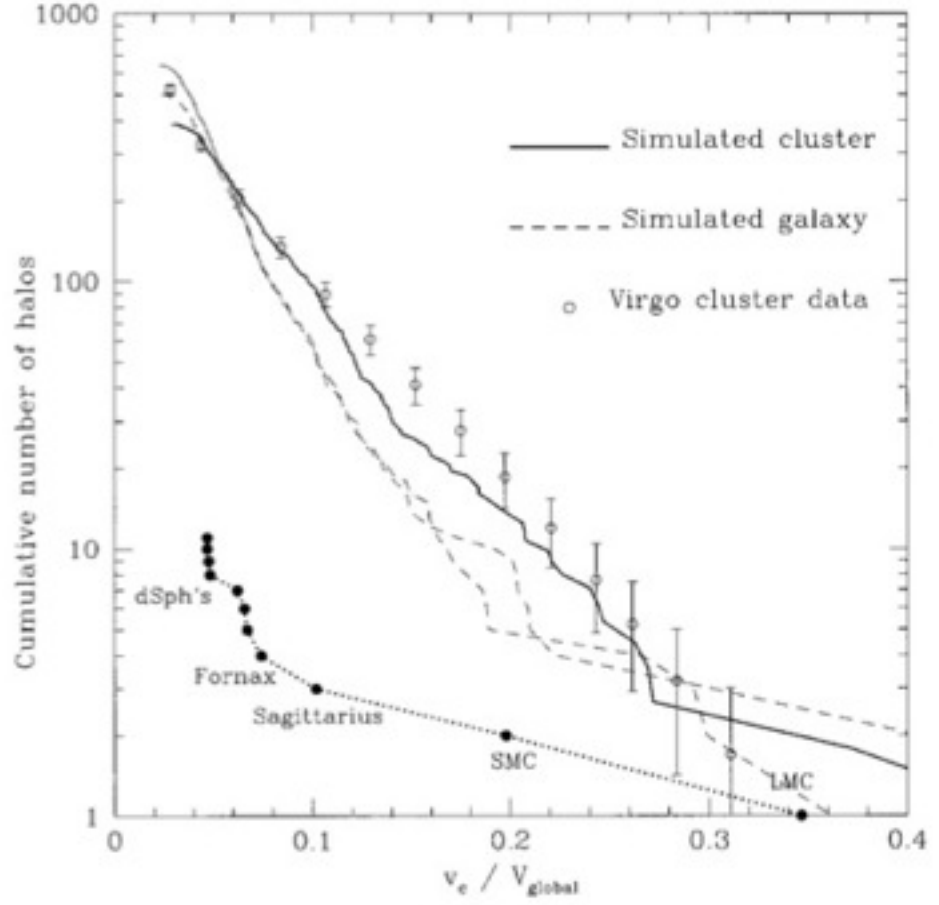
DARK MATTER SUBSTRUCTURE WITHIN GALACTIC HALOS

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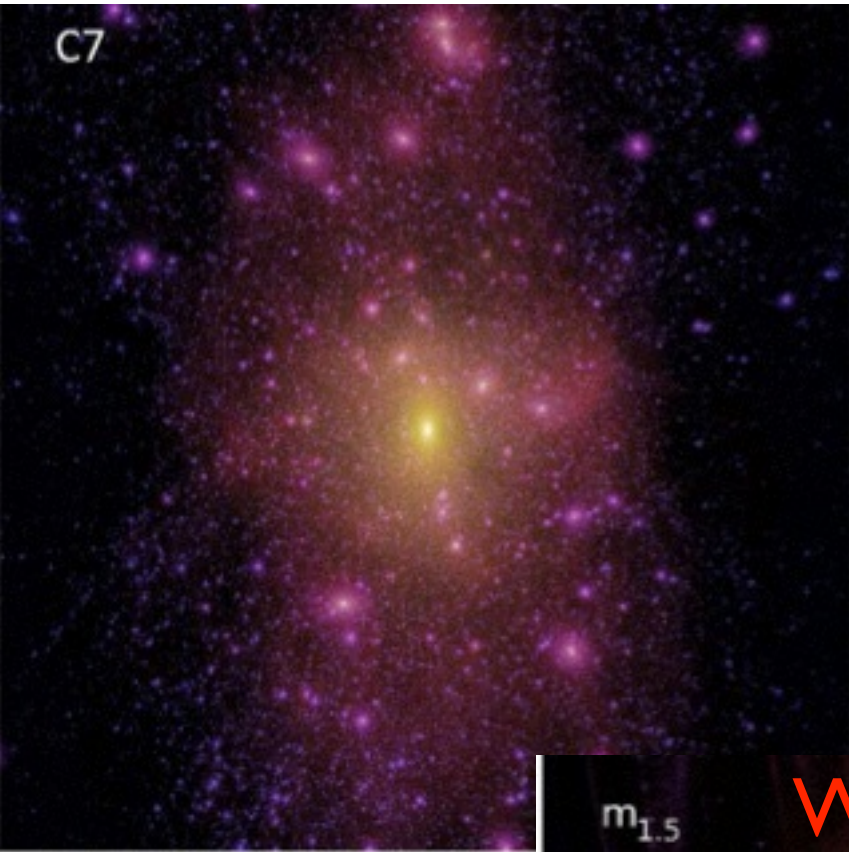
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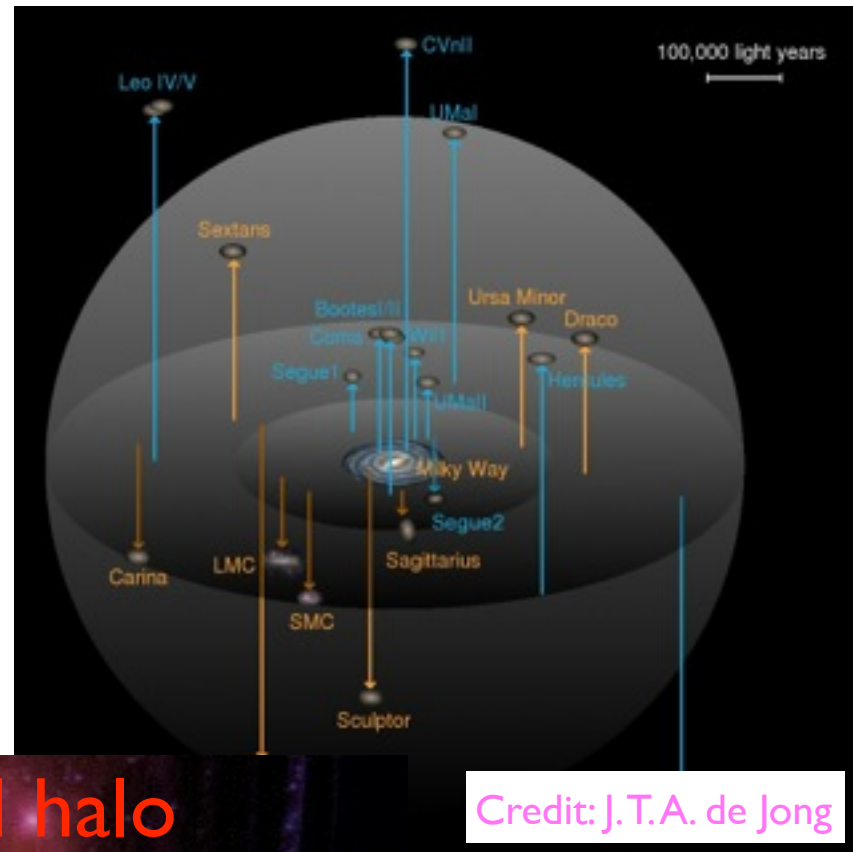
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CDM halo



Milky Way's satellites



Credit: J.T.A. de Jong

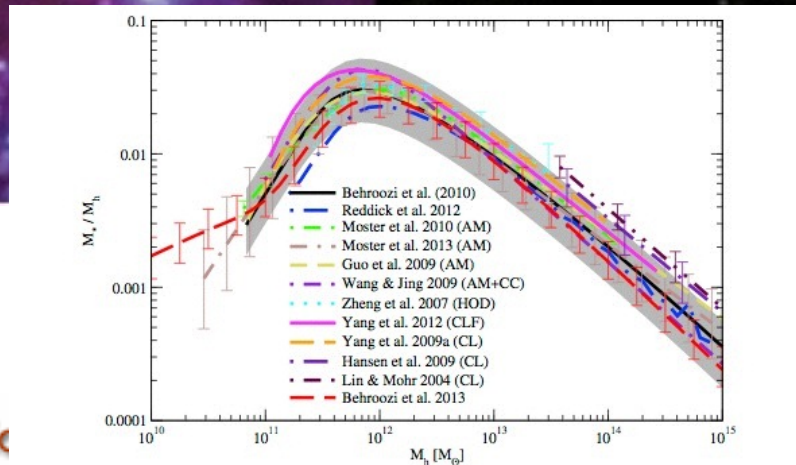
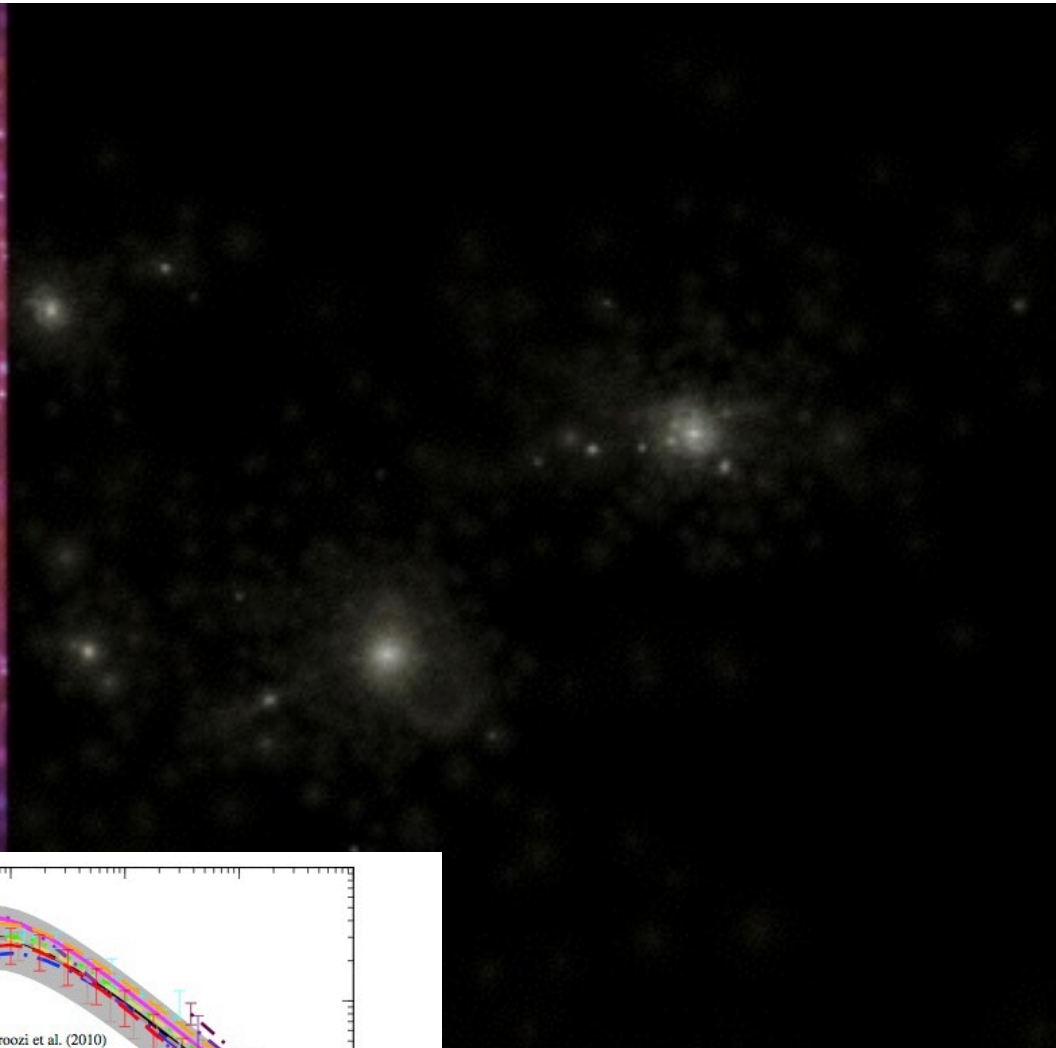
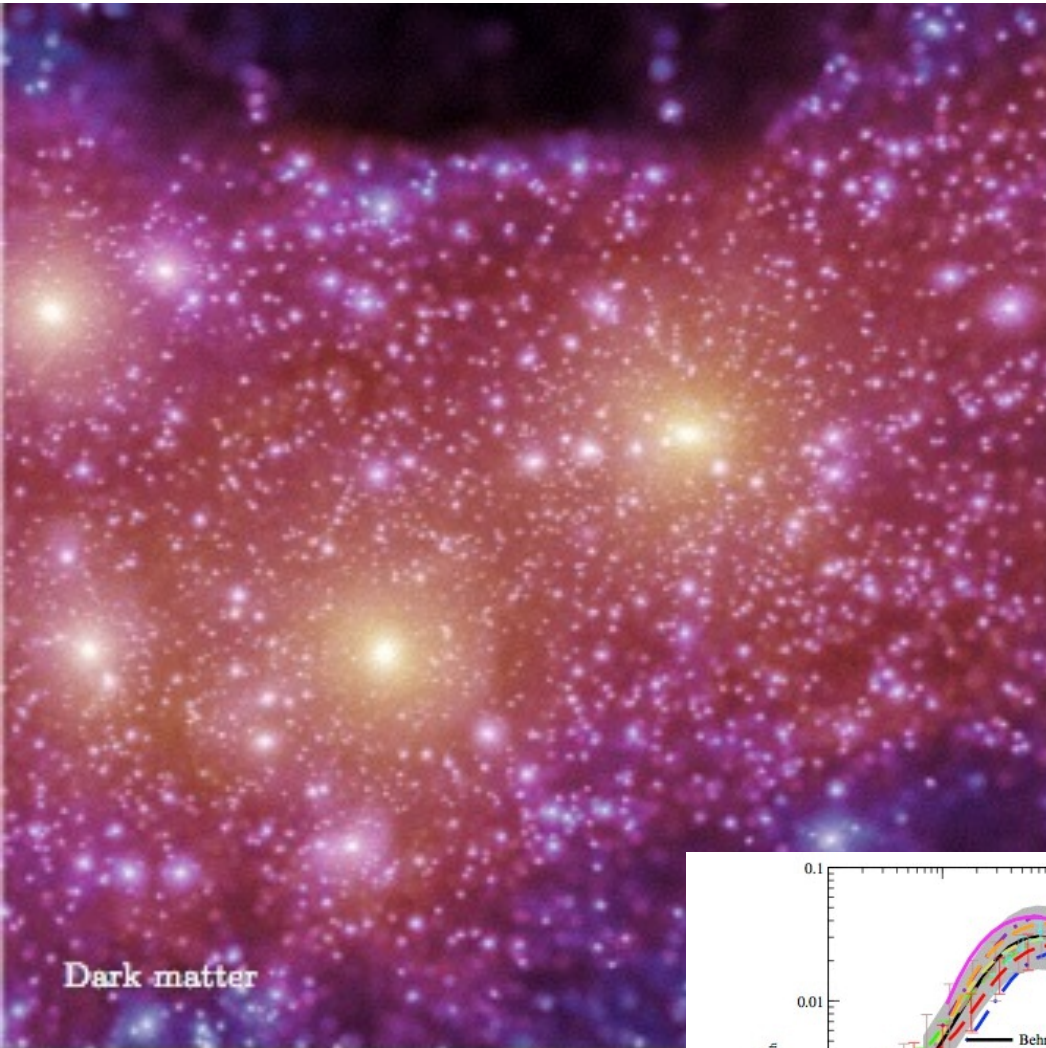
WDM halo

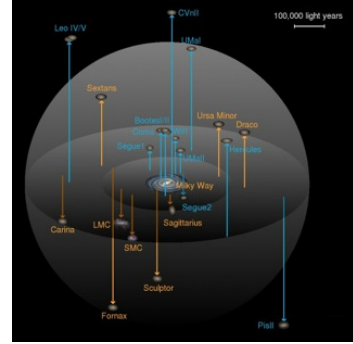


Eagle

Dark matter view (halos)

Observable view (galaxies)

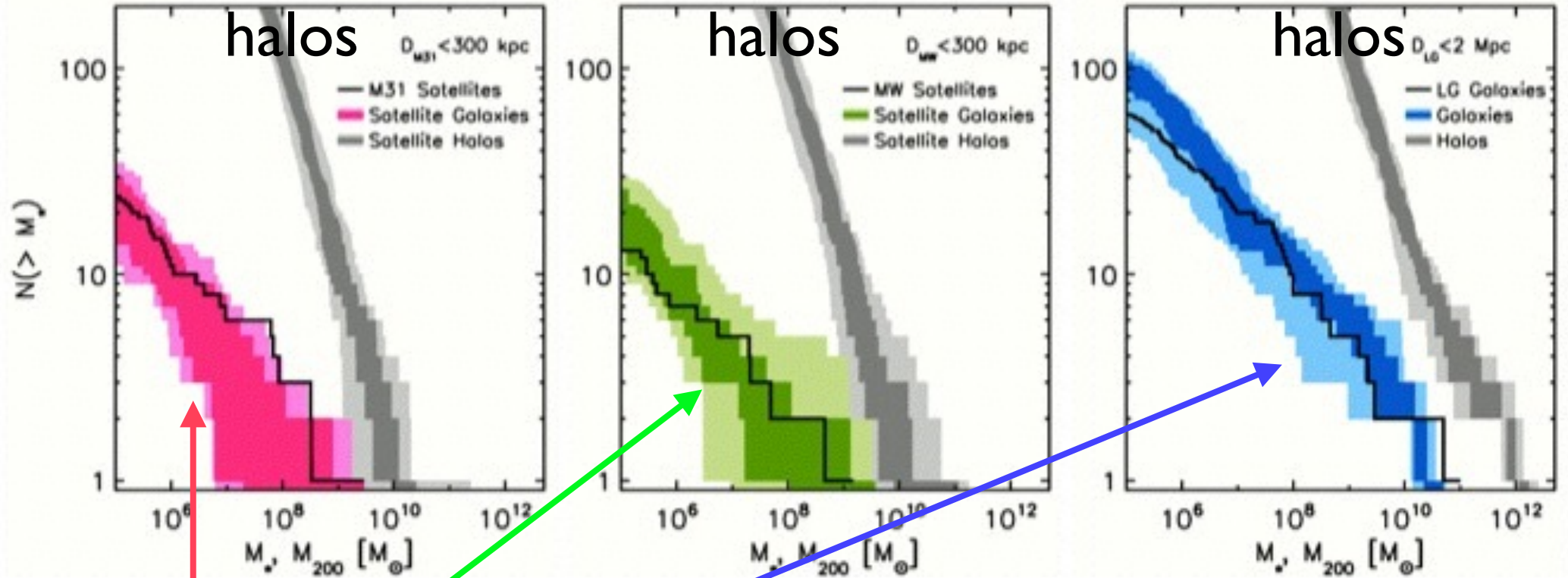




M31

MW

LG

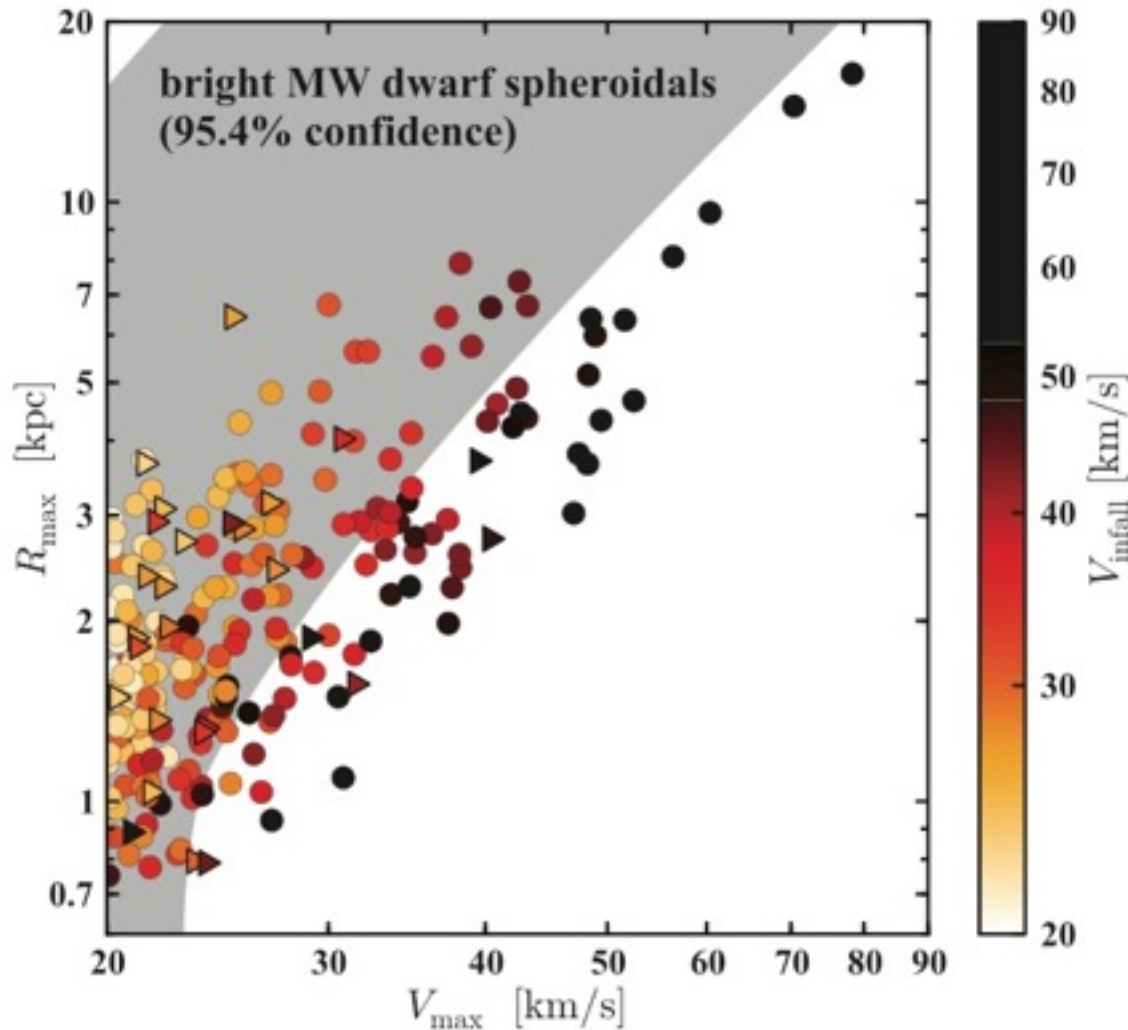


Galaxies

3 “Massive substructures are too big not to host satellite”

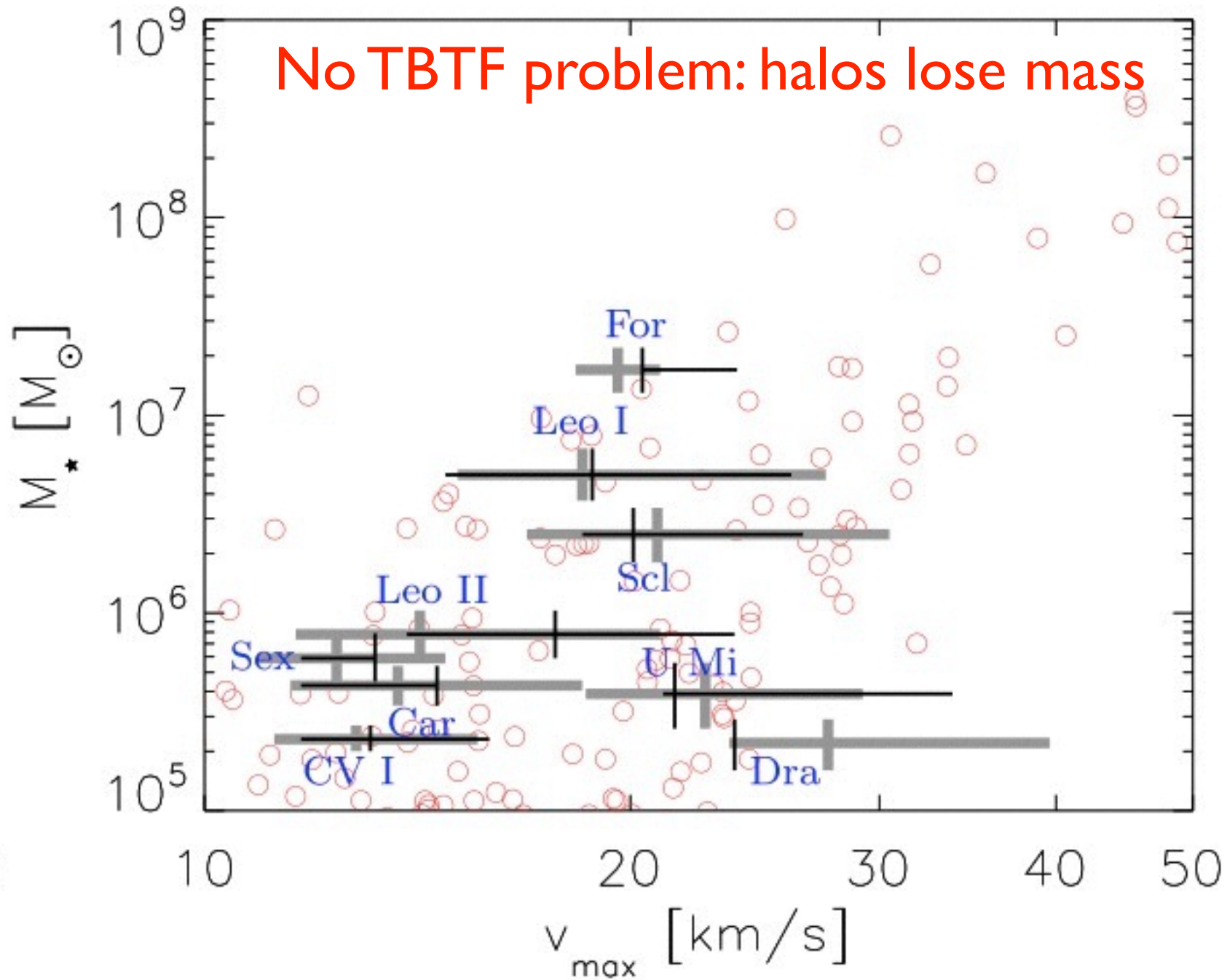
Too big to fail? The puzzling darkness of massive Milky Way subhaloes

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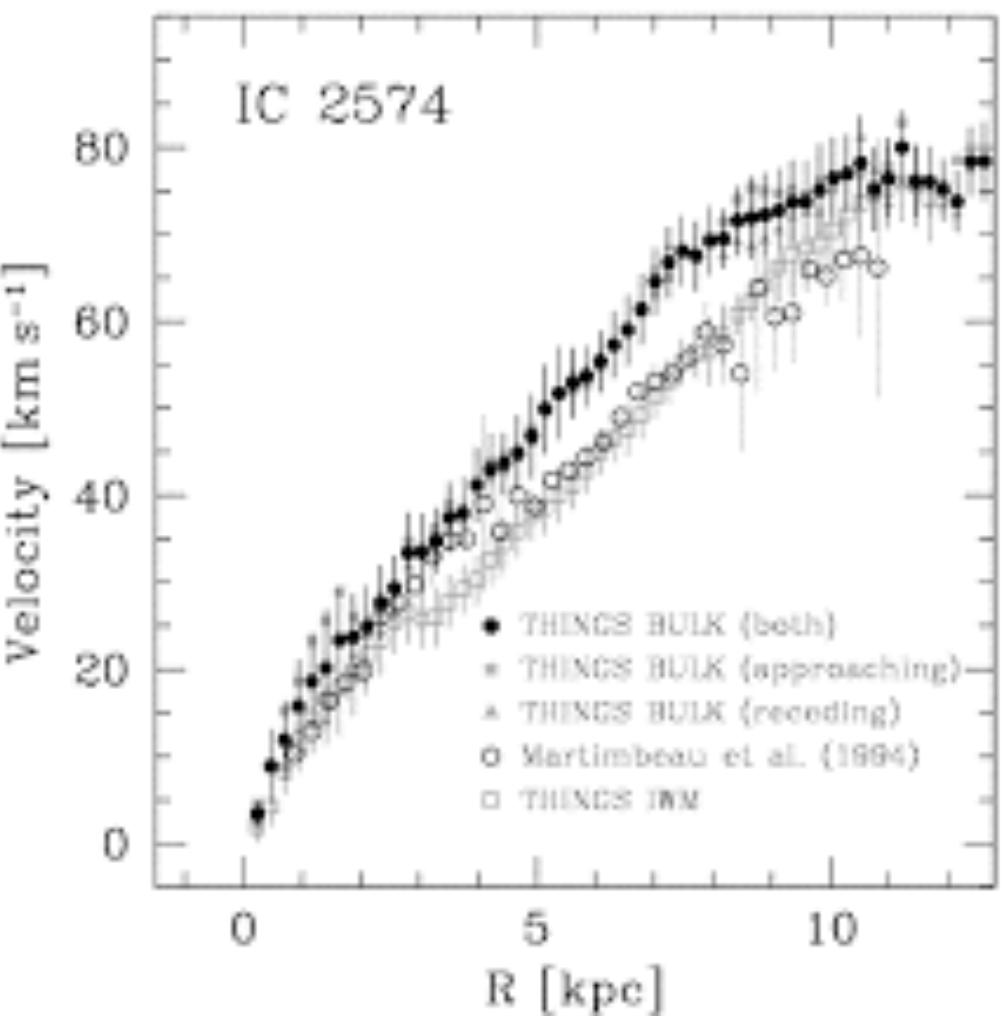


Measure halo mass of
observed satellites

$$V^2 = \frac{GM}{R}$$



4: “Cold dark matter halos are cusped, observed haloes have cores.”



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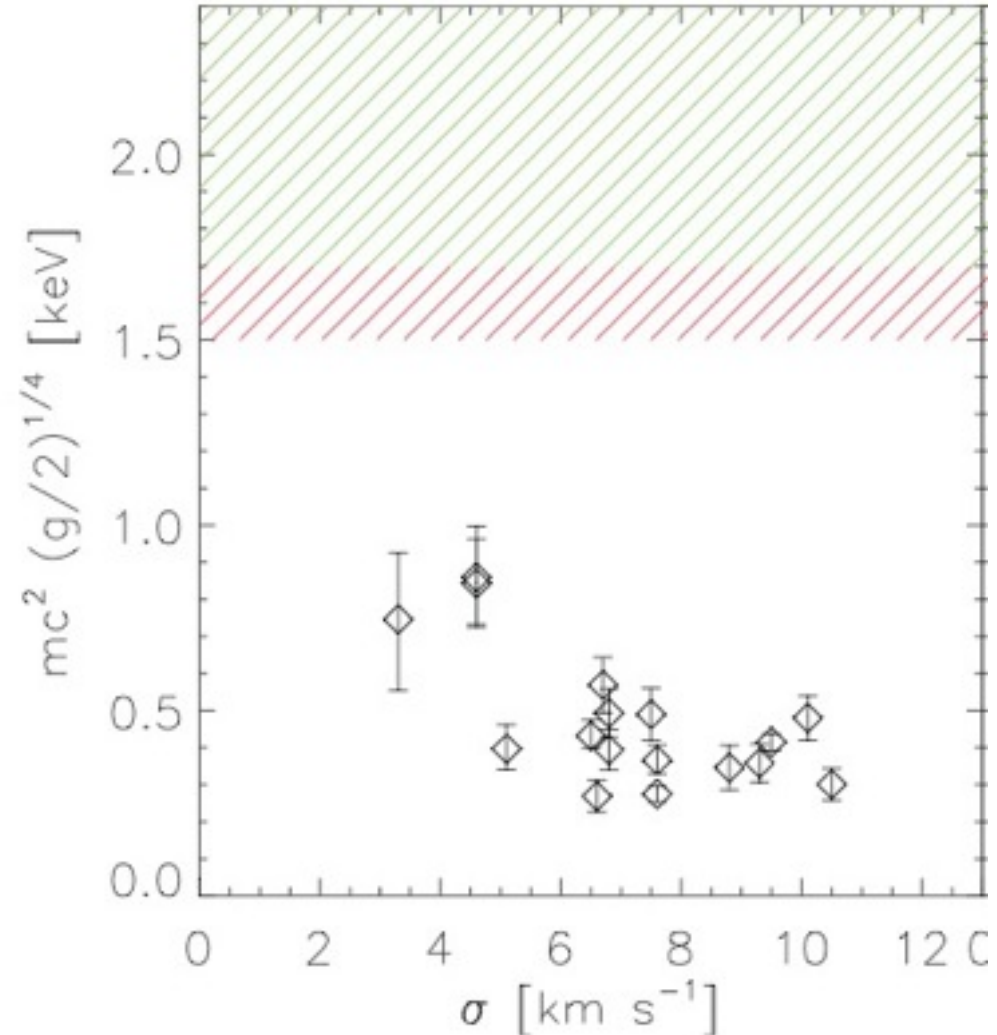
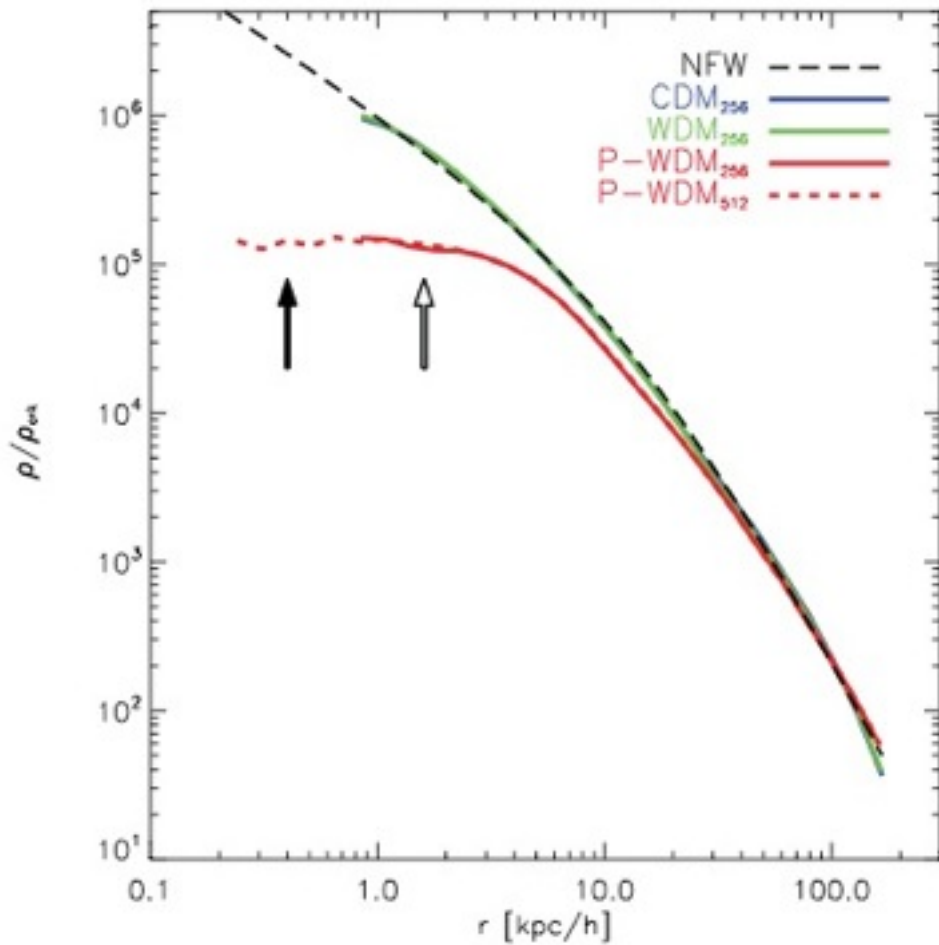
$$V_c \propto R \rightarrow \rho(R) = \text{const}$$

Oh +, 08

Does WDM generate cores?

The phase-space density of fermionic dark matter haloes

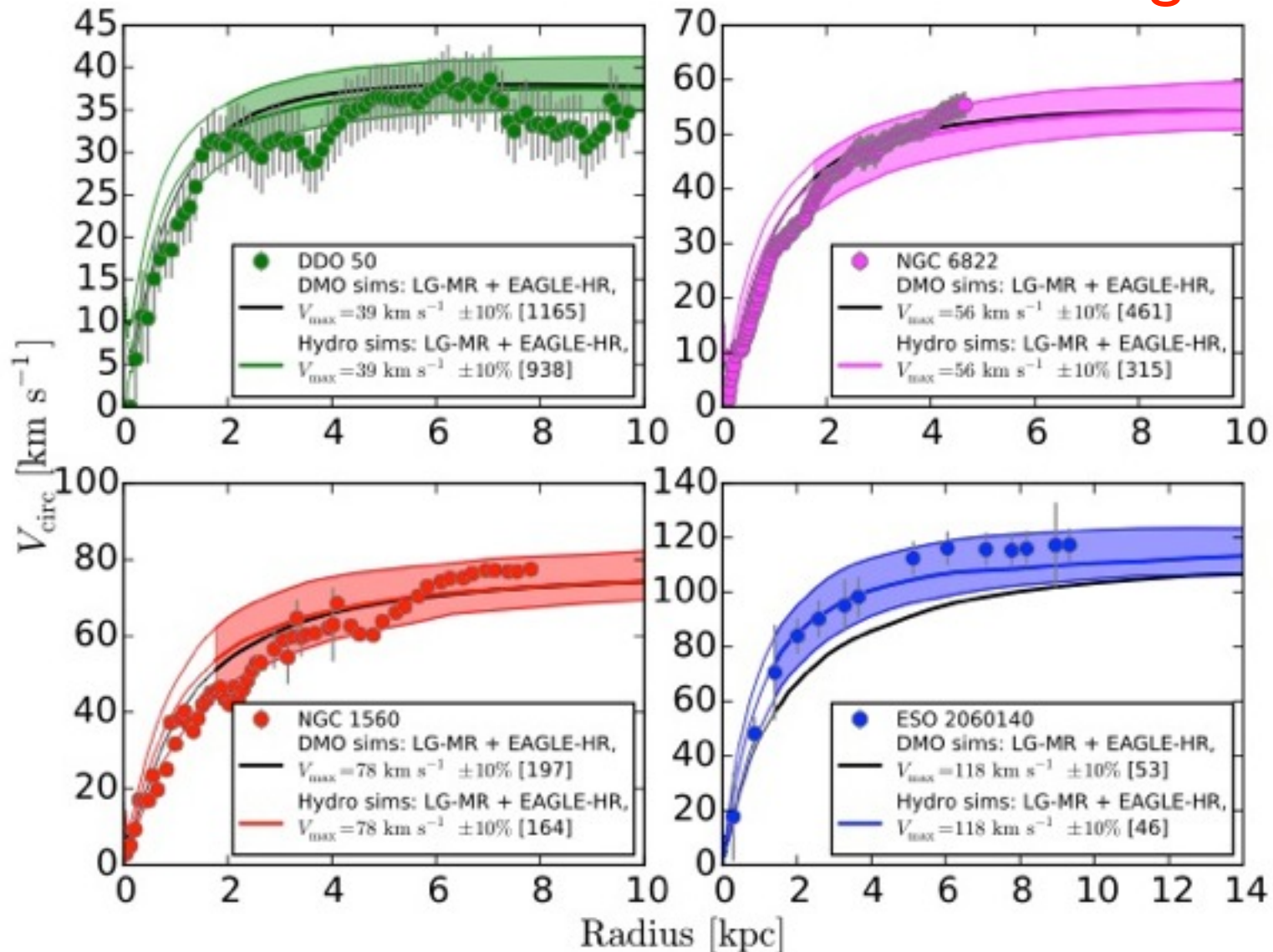
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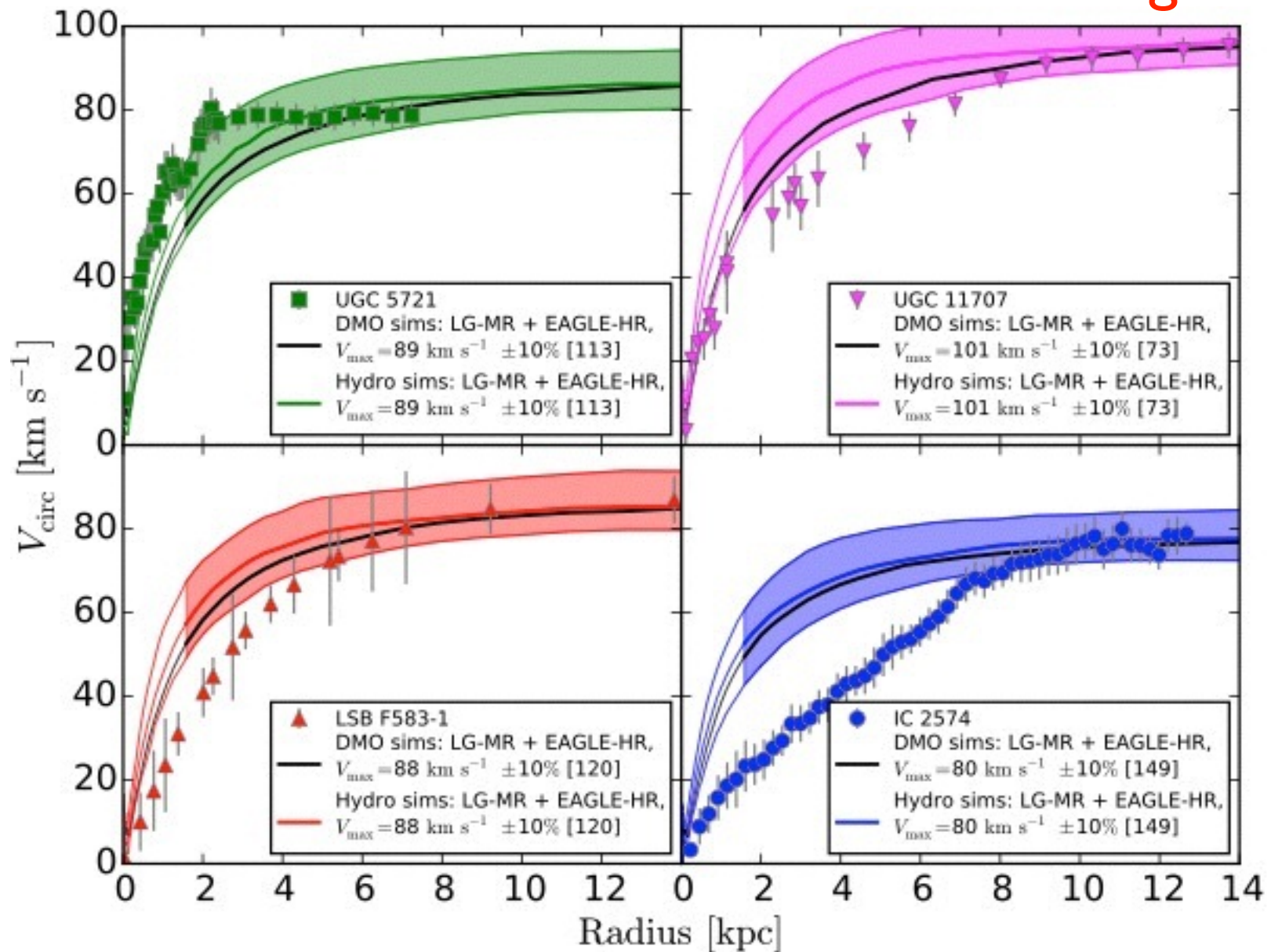
The unexpected diversity of dwarf galaxy rotation curves

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Eagle

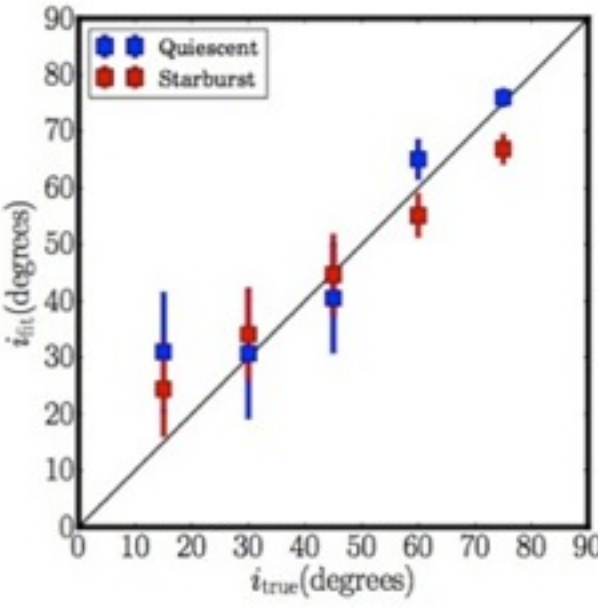
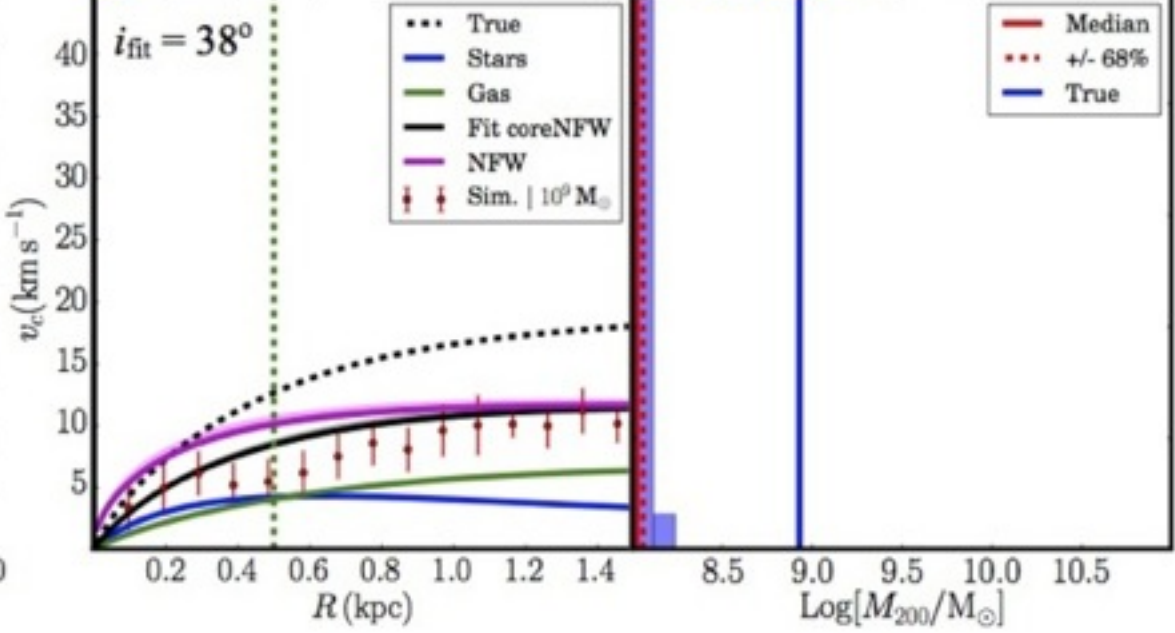
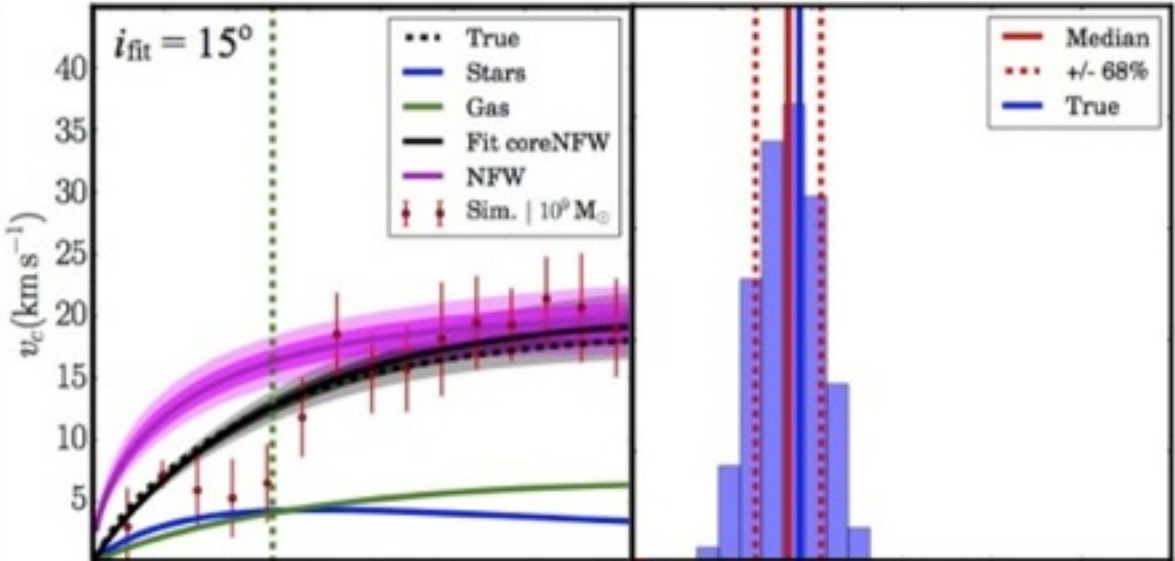
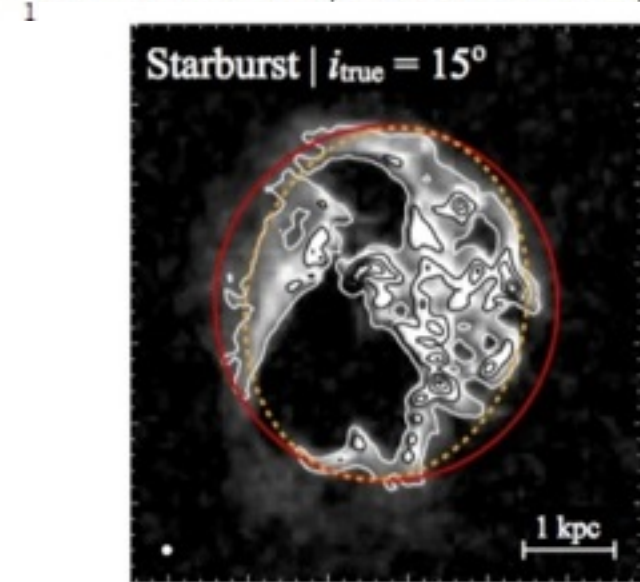


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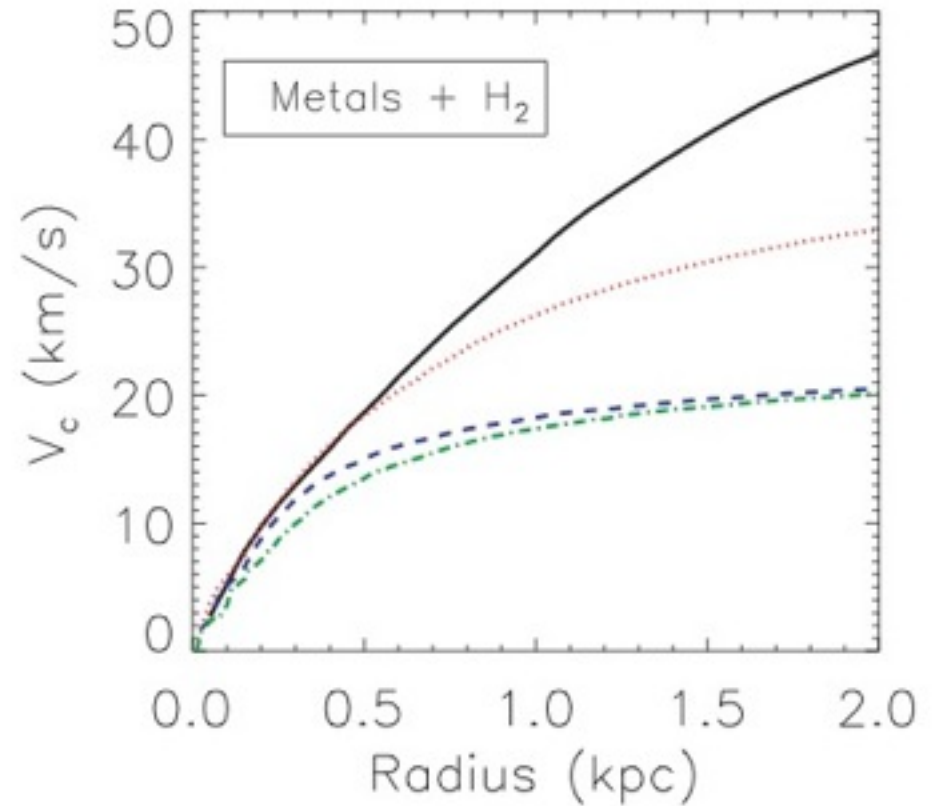
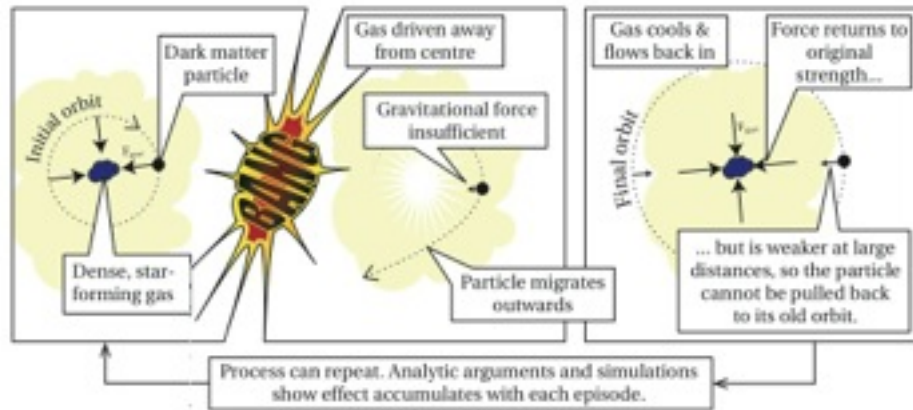


Understanding the shape and diversity of dwarf galaxy rotation curves in Λ CDM

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Feedback can generate cores



Pontzen & Governato 13

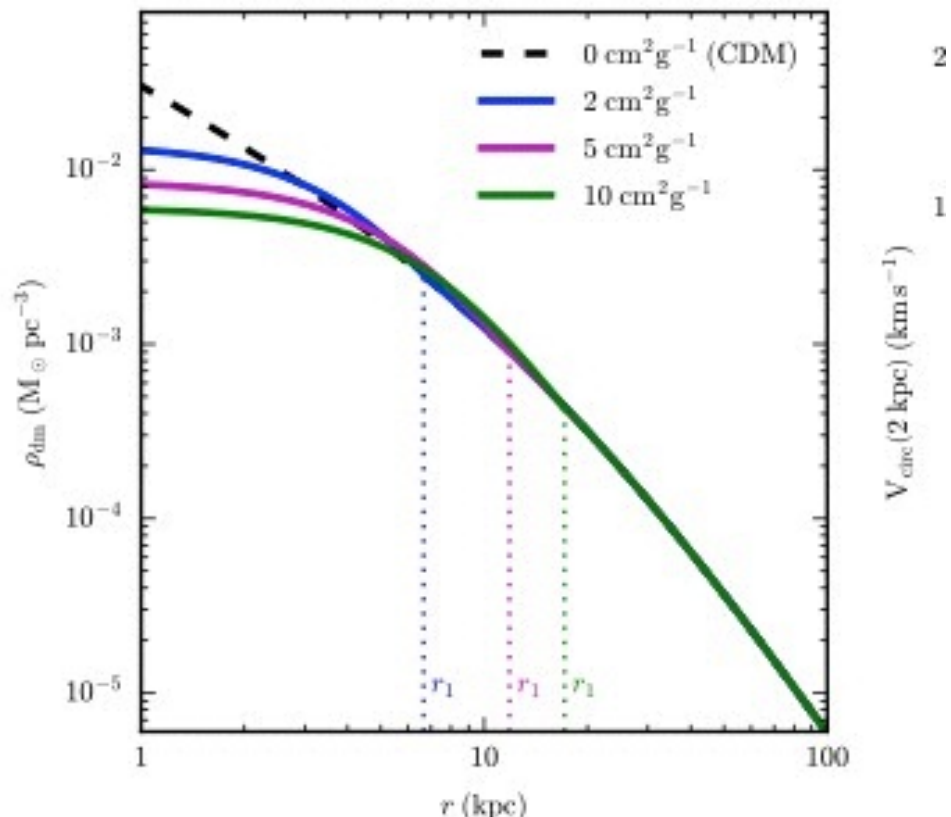
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Self-interacting dark matter scattering rates through cosmic time

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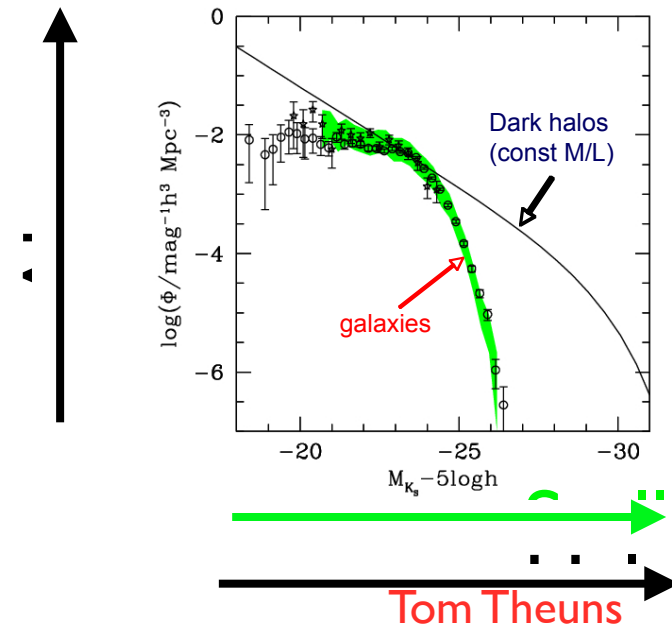
Spreading out and staying sharp - Creating diverse rotation curves via baryonic and self-interaction effects

Peter Creasey^{1*}, Omid Sameie¹, Laura V. Sales¹, Hai-Bo Yu^{1†}, Mark Vogelsberger^{2‡} and Jesús Zavala³



1. Voids
2. Number of satellites
3. Too big to fail (massive substructures)
4. cores vs cusps

No (?) issues with CDM when including galaxy formation physics



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Probing dark matter with quasars



3C 273 : A STAR-LIKE OBJECT WITH LARGE RED-SHIFT

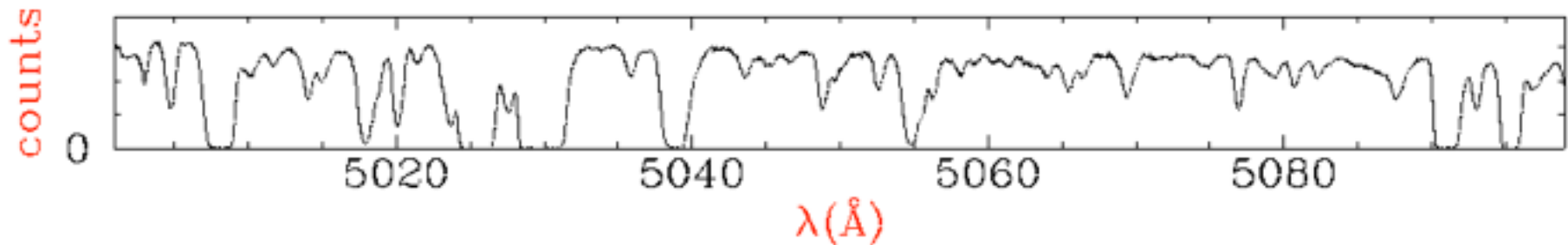
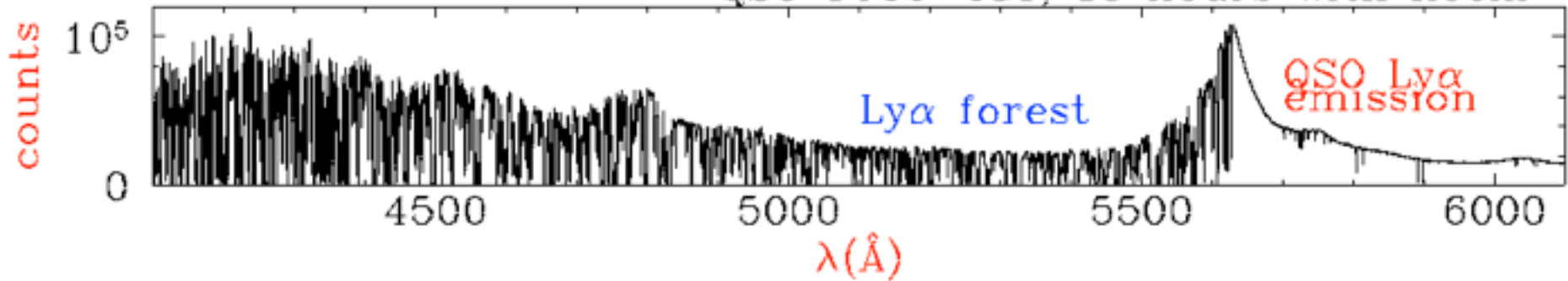
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Mount Wilson and Palomar Observatories, Carnegie Institution of Washington, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena

Nature, '63

$z=7.1$ ULAS J1120+064
Mortlock +, Nature 11

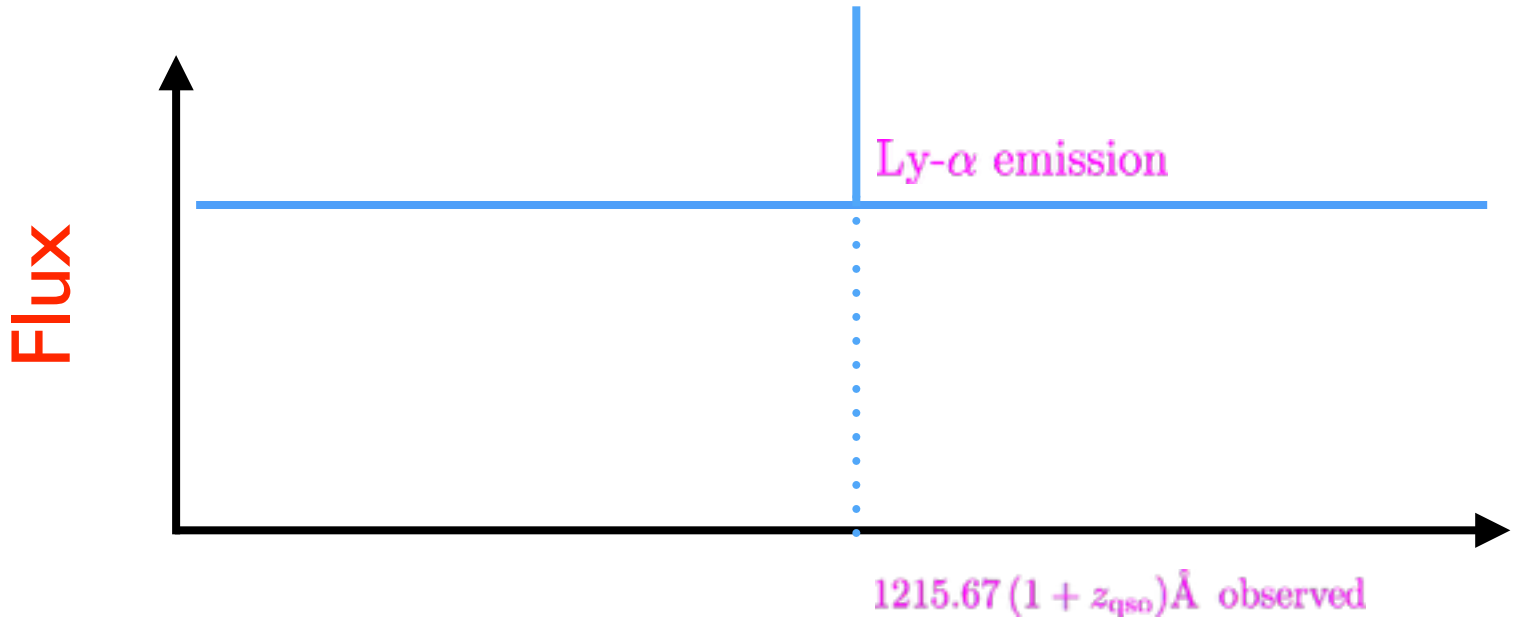
QSO 1422+231, 18 hours with KeckI



Intervening absorption in quasar spectra

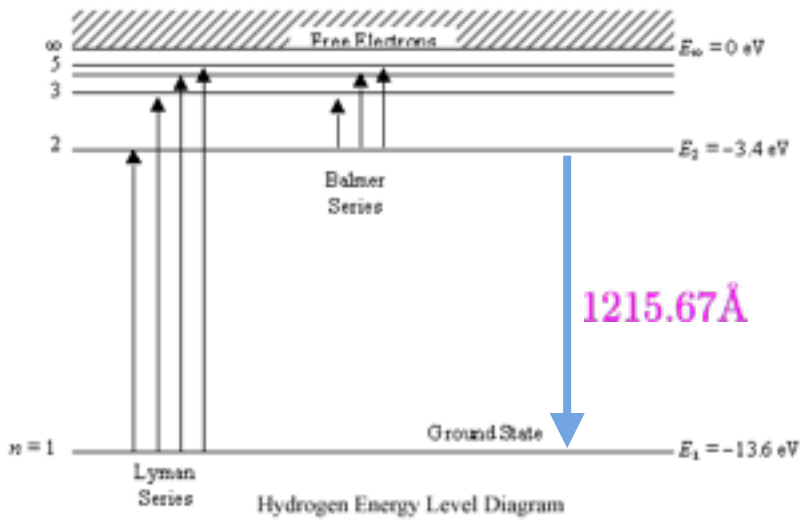


A (very simple) intrinsic quasar spectrum

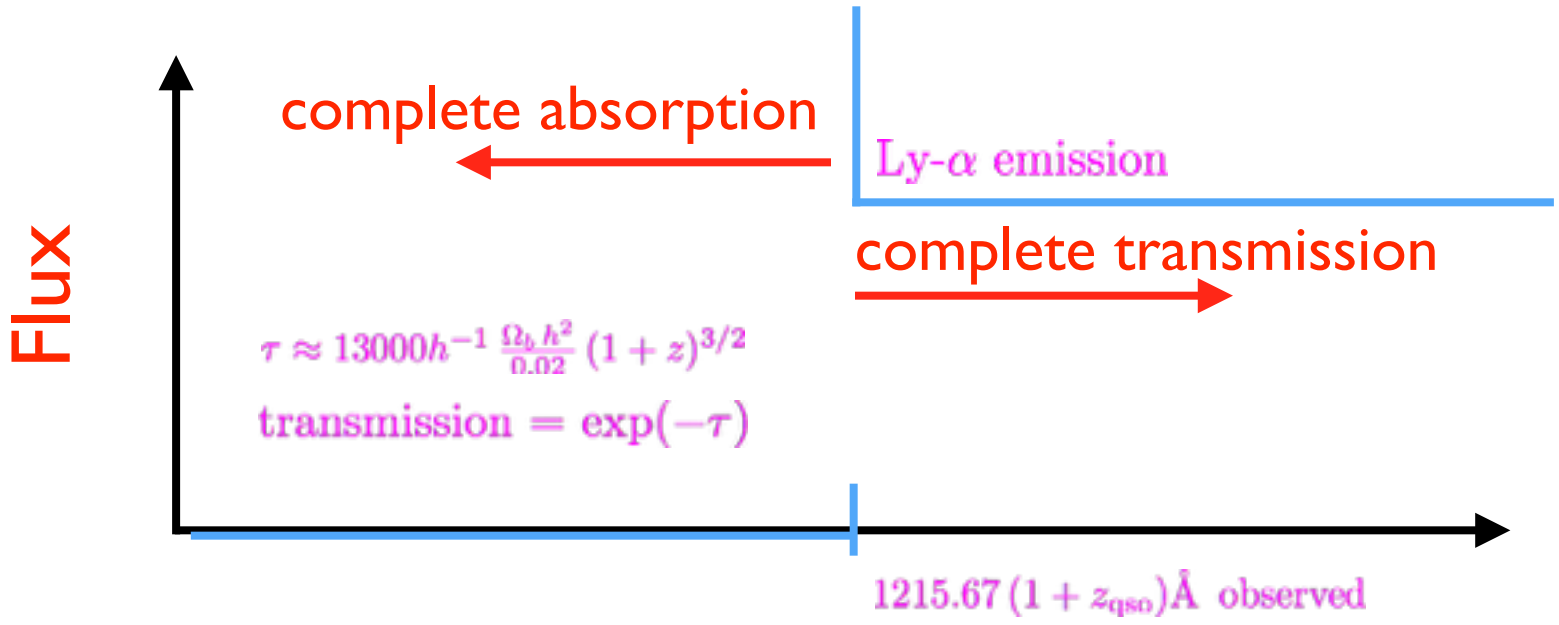


observed wavelength

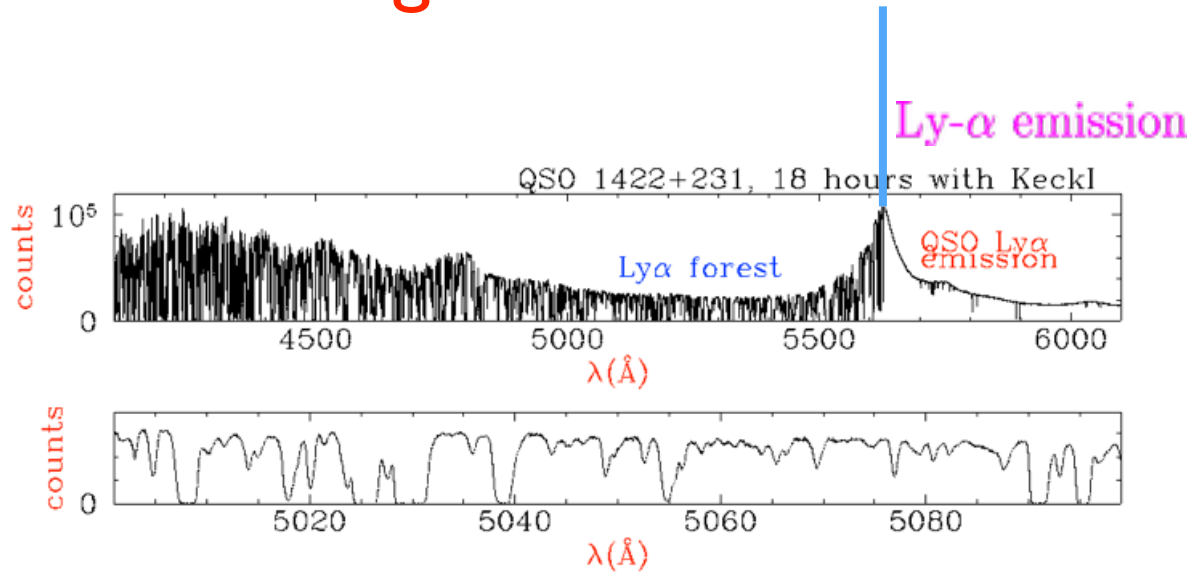
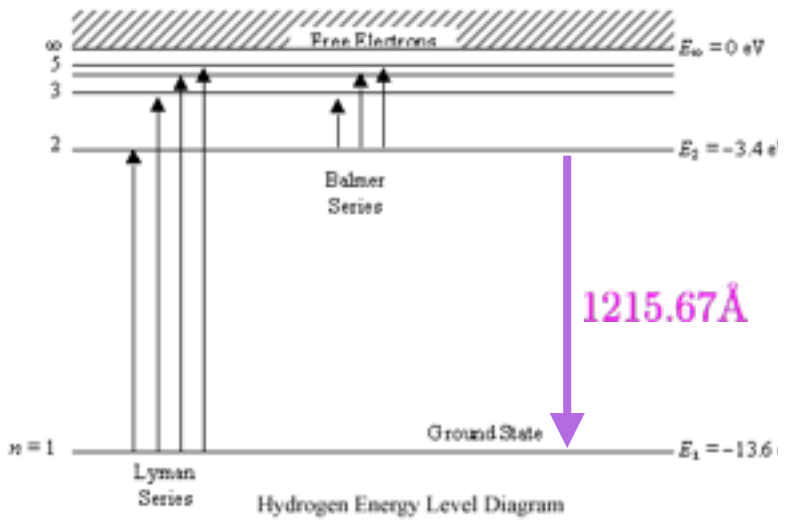
Hydrogen atom



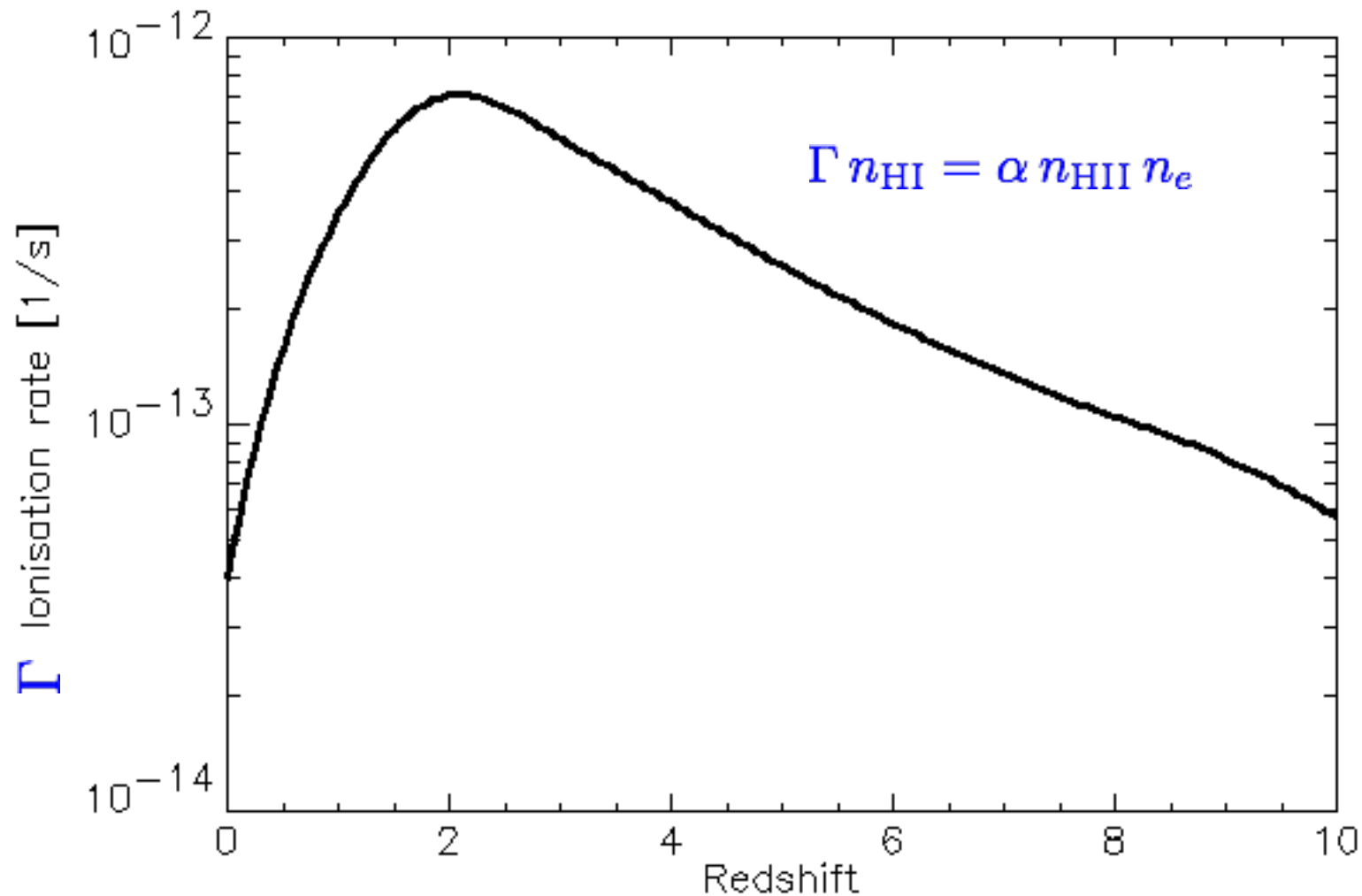
Expected observed spectrum due to intervening absorption



observed wavelength

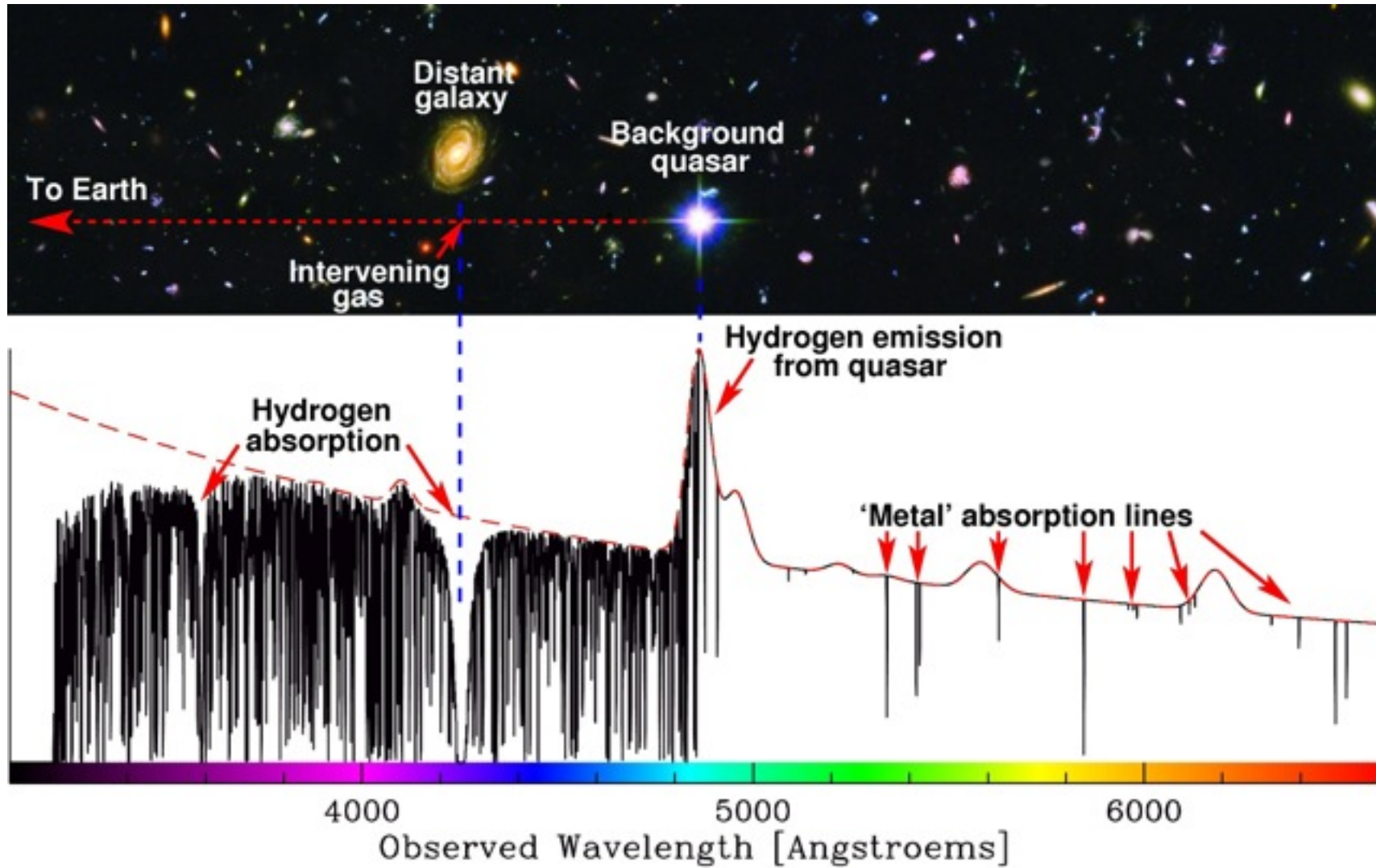


Conclusion: the Universe is highly ionised



Ionization rate from galaxies & quasars
as computed by Haardt & Madau

Intervening absorption

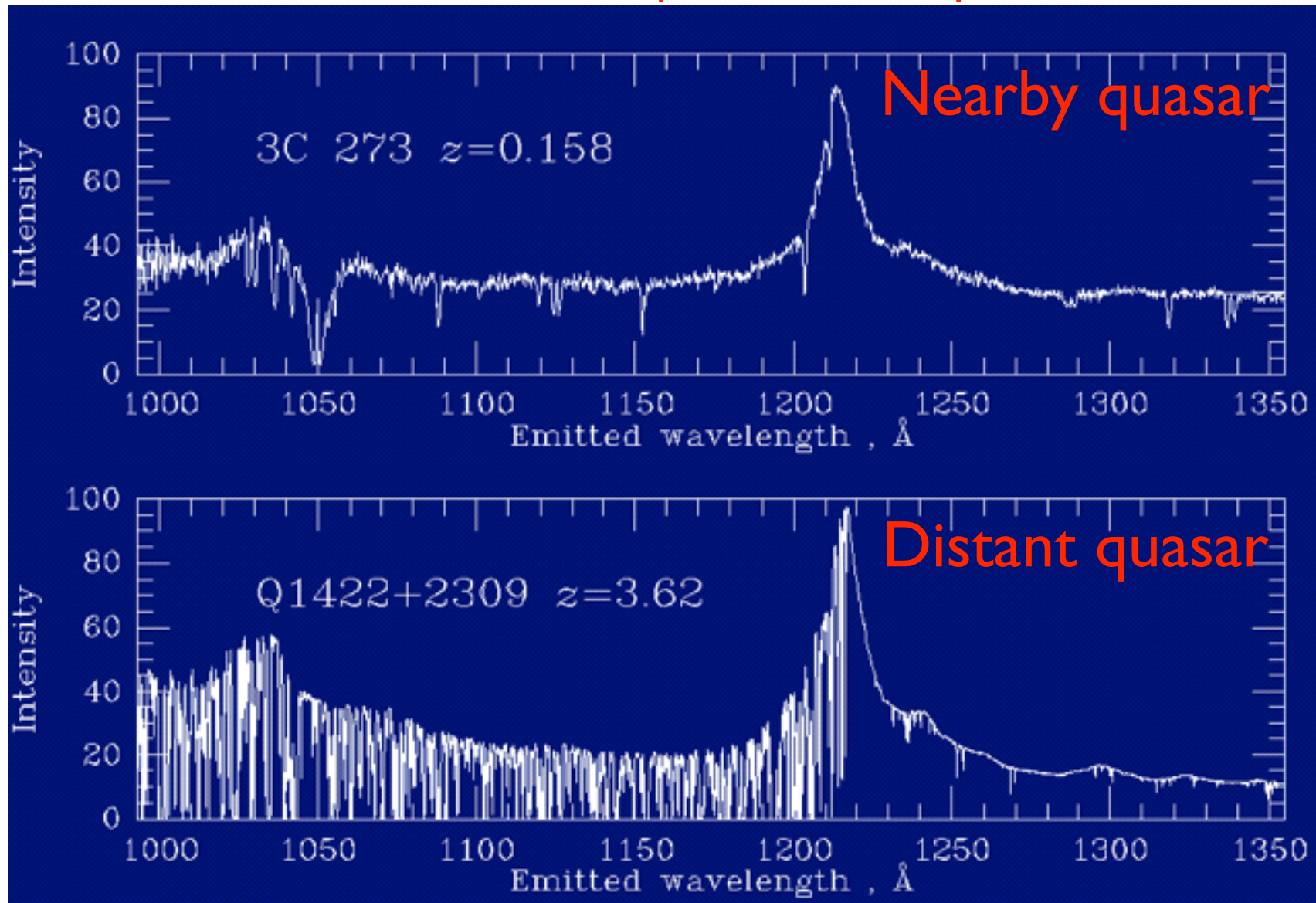


Fan+03

Much more absorption at higher redshifts

← a lot of absorption

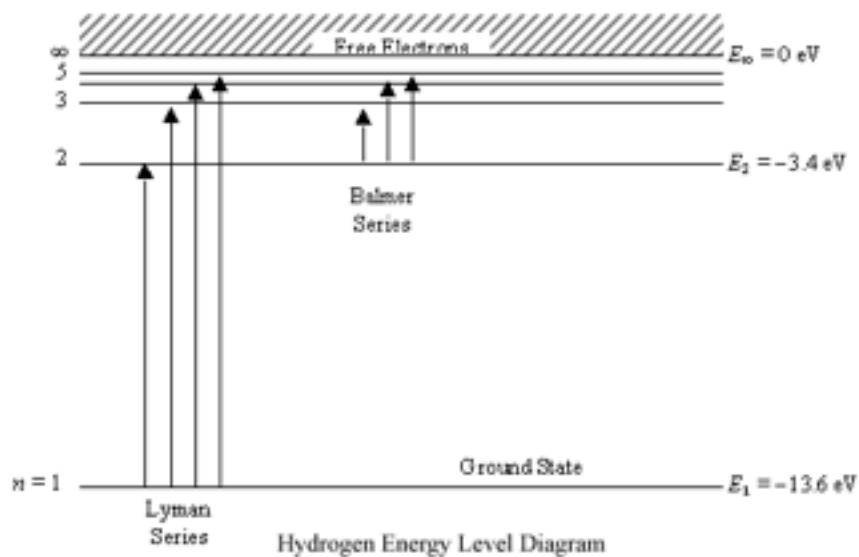
→ complete transmission



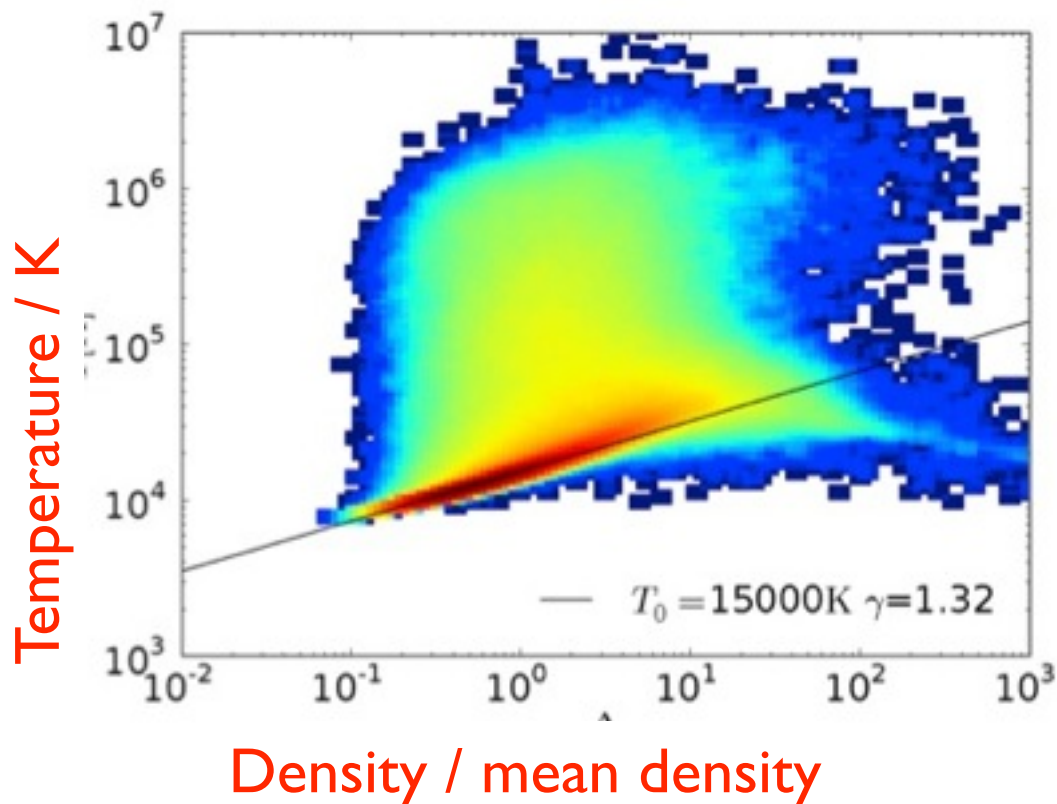
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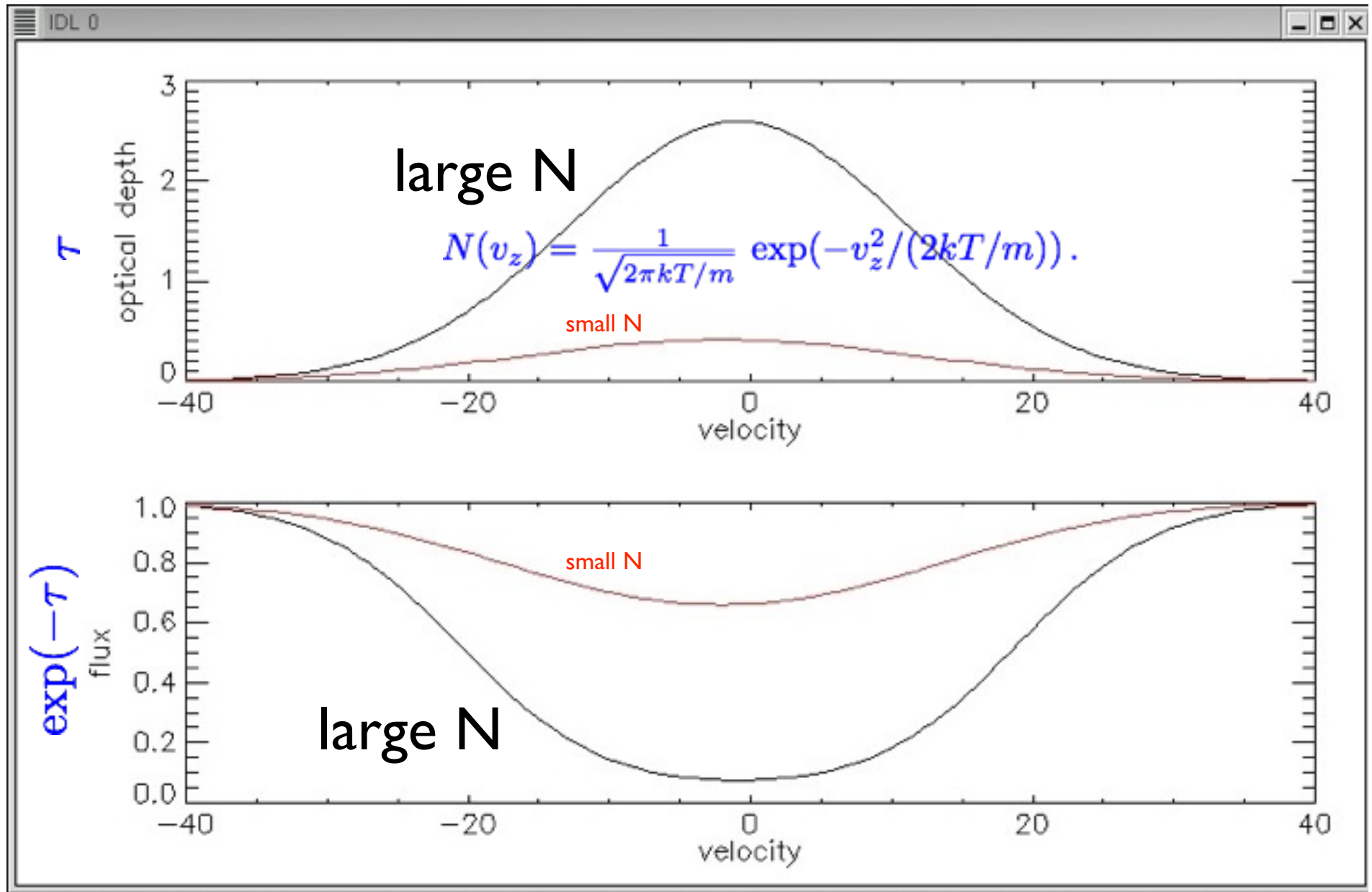
Photo-ionisation also heats gas: photo-heating



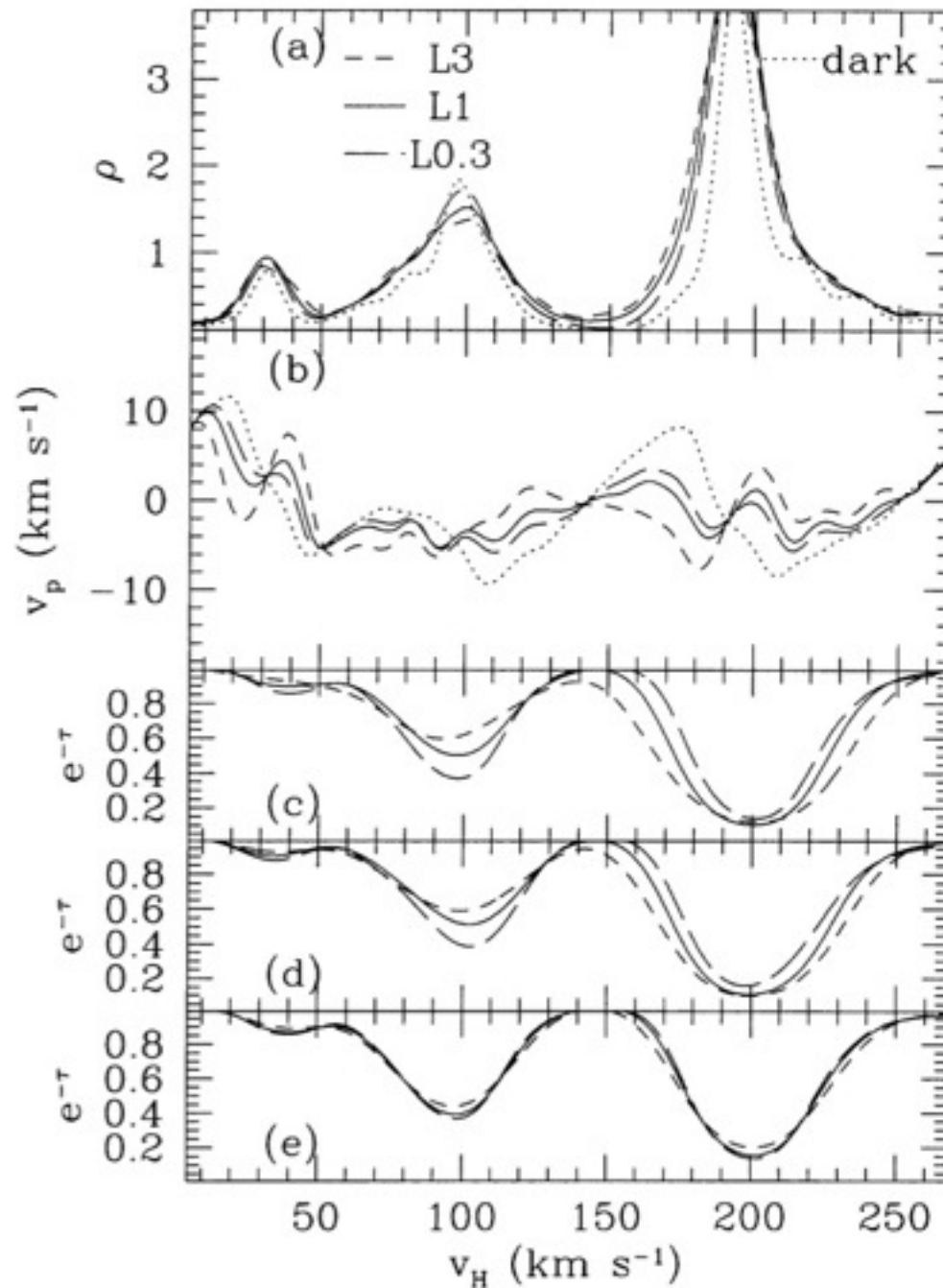
Resulting temperature-density relation



Line broadening: thermal broadening

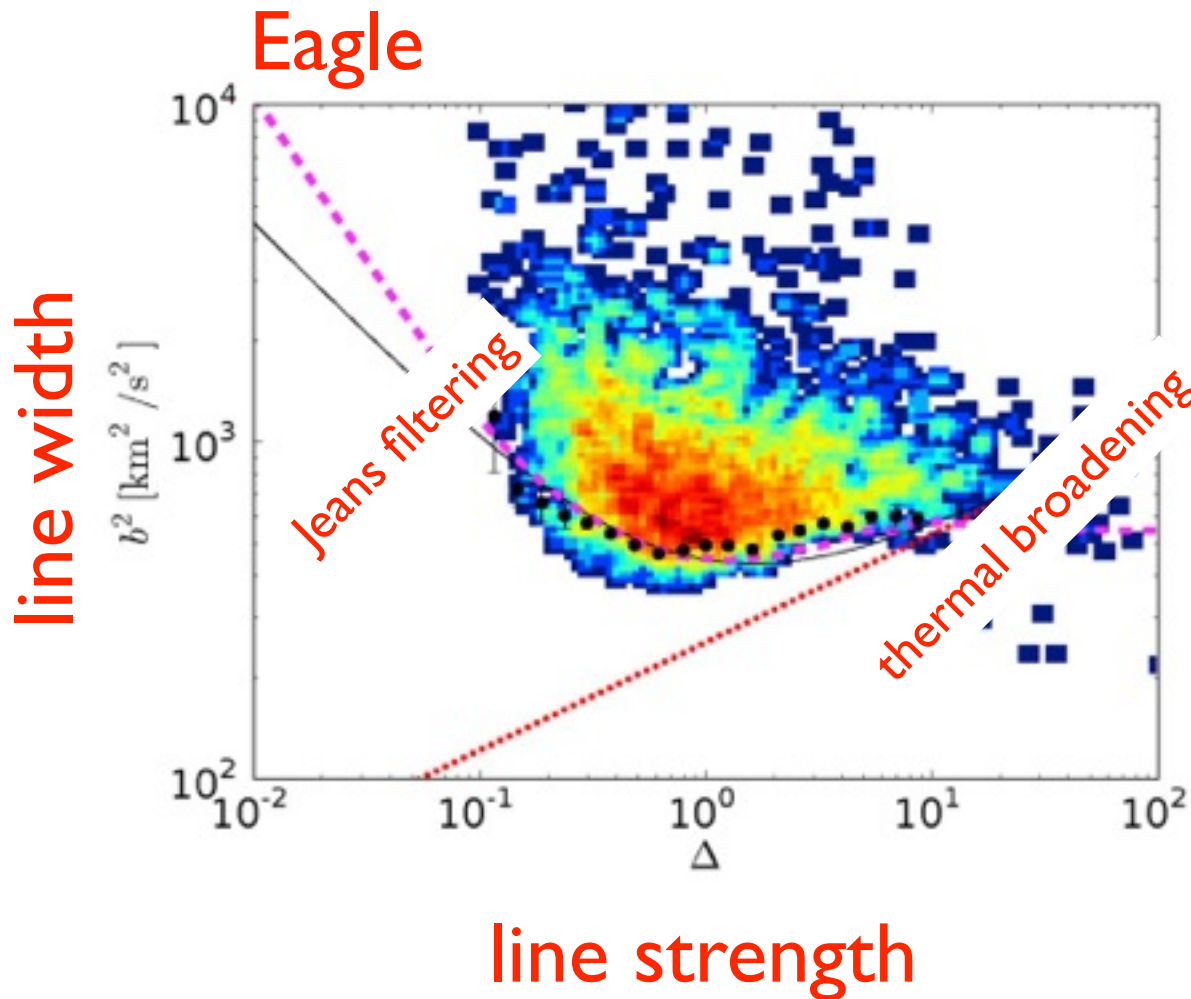


Line broadening: Jeans filtering

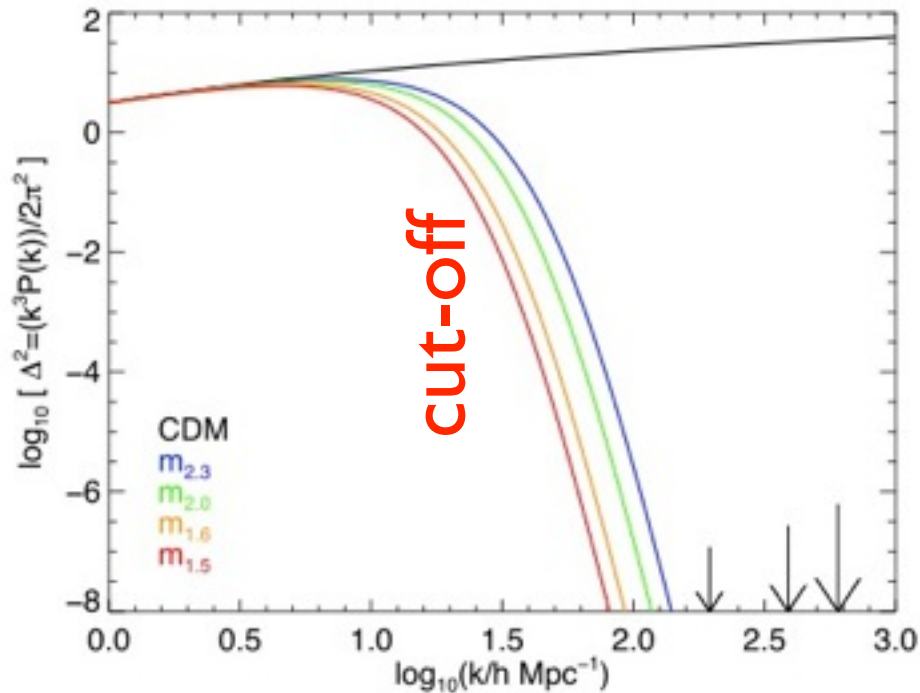


Line broadening = smoothing operation
introduces a cut-off in the power spectrum

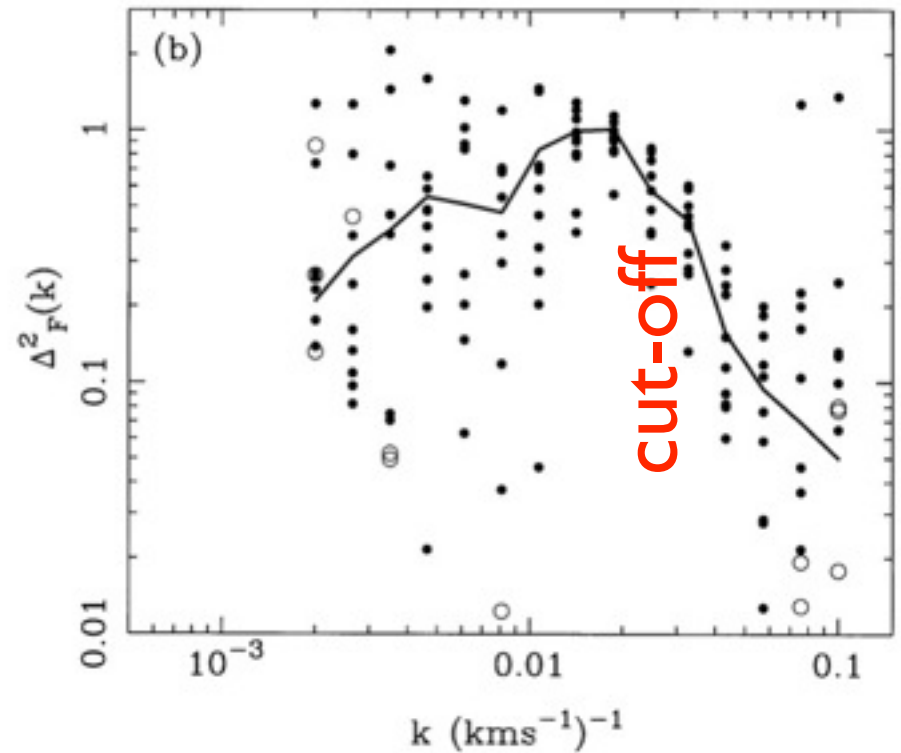
$$b^2 = b_T^2 + b_p^2$$



linear transfer function



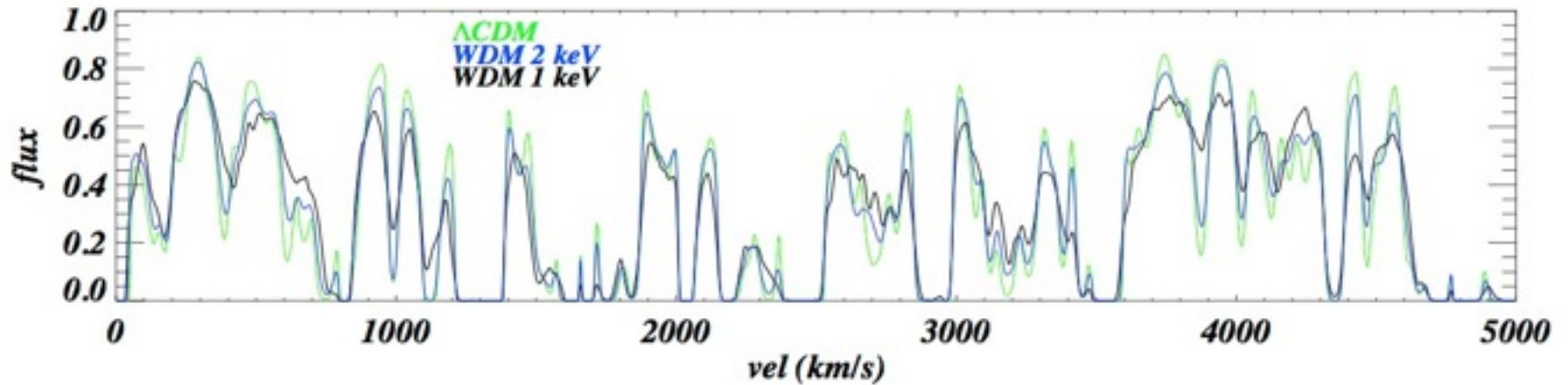
Flux power spectrum



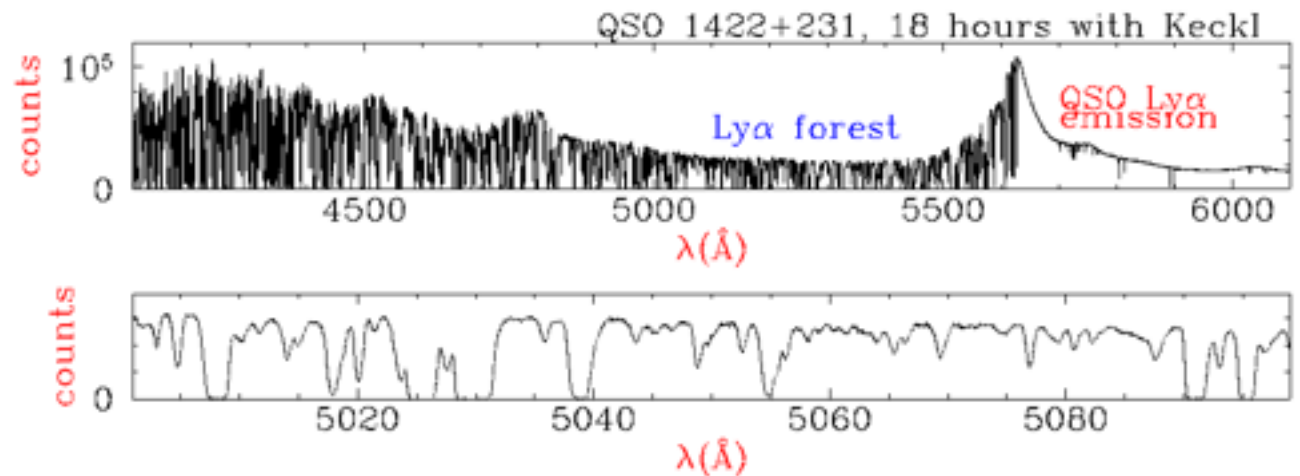
Croft +99

Is the observed cut-off due to WDM?
Or due to the temperature of the gas?

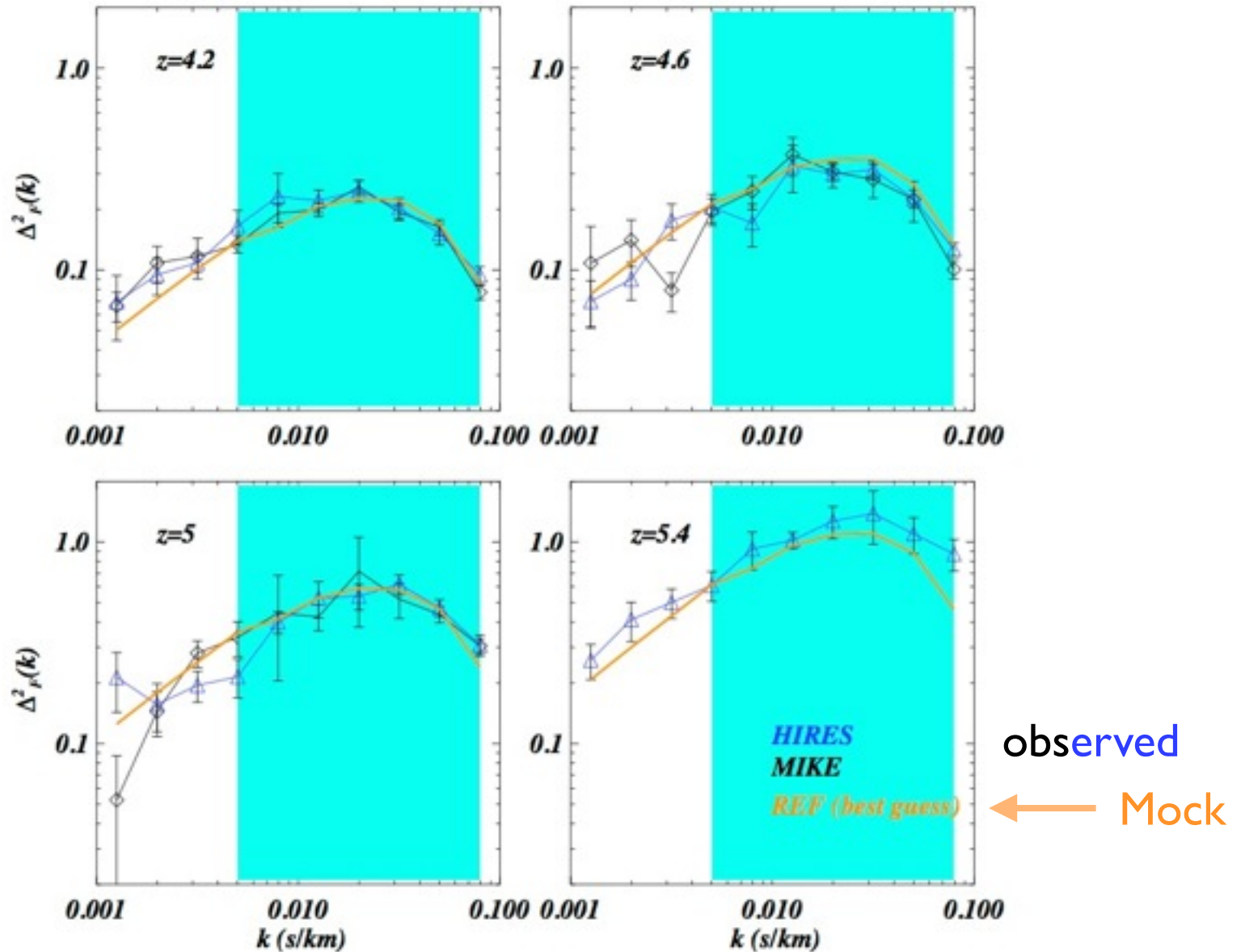
Mock quasar spectrum



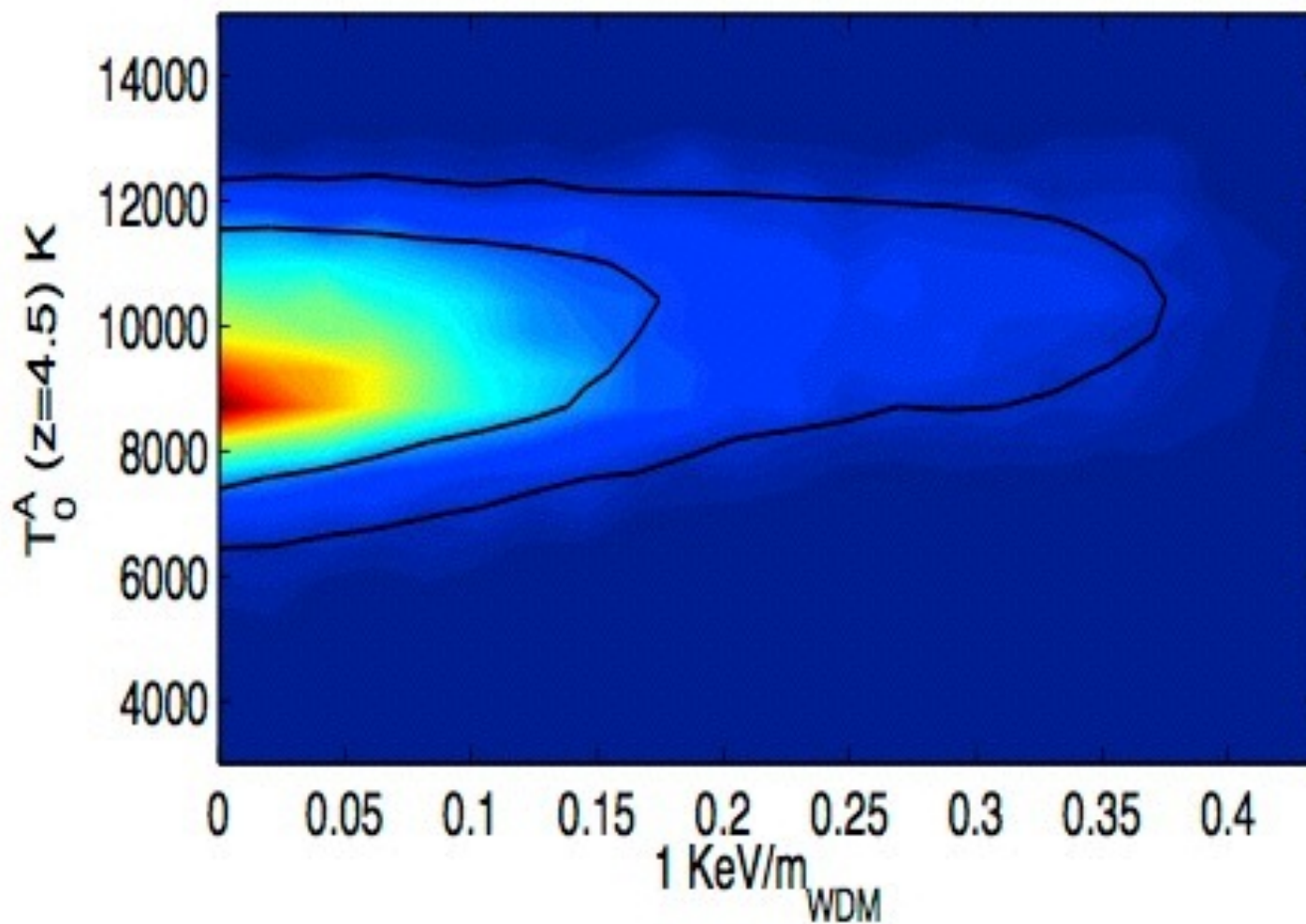
Viel+I3



Flux power spectra at different redshifts



(Lack of) degeneracy between thermal and WDM cut-off



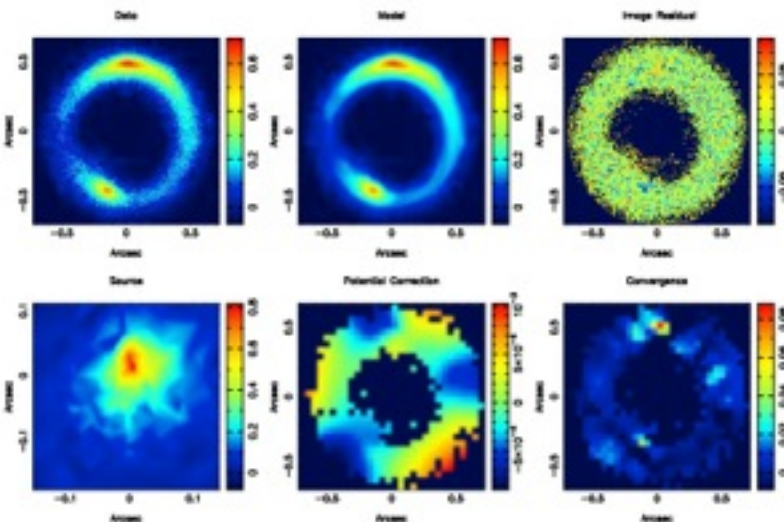
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- Dark matter: what is it, where is it, do we need it? How much?
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Future:

- gravitational lensing - astro-ph 1512.06507
- satellites (again)
- stellar streams
- Relhics

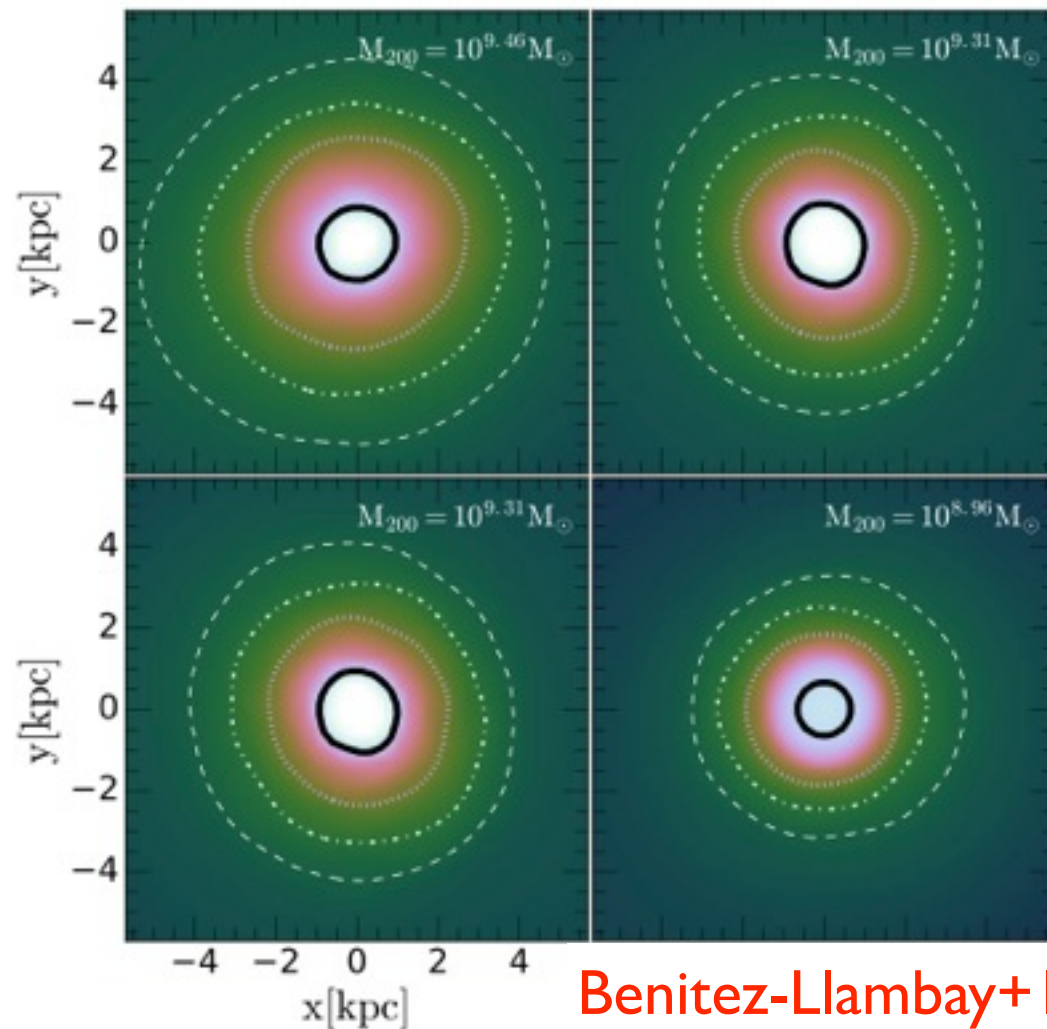
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Welcome to the EAGLE Project

What is the EAGLE project?

EAGLE (Evolution and Assembly of GaLaxies and their Environments) is a simulation aimed at understanding how galaxies form and evolve. This computer calculation models the formation of structures in a cosmological volume, 100 Megaparsecs on a side (over 300 million light-years). This is large enough to contain 10,000 galaxies of the size of the Milky Way or bigger, enabling a comparison with the whole zoo of galaxies visible in the Hubble Deep field for example. This website contains downloadable images and movies, many of which are located in [Highlights](#) or [Downloads](#).

The simulation starts when the Universe is still very uniform - no stars nor galaxies had formed yet - with cosmological parameters motivated by observations by the Planck satellite of the cosmic microwave background. Crucial parameters are the density of dark matter - which allows structures to grow, baryonic matter - the gas from which stars form, and the cosmological constant - responsible for cosmic acceleration.

Dark matter enables structures like galaxies to form, even while the Universe is expanding

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Supermassive black holes could be revealed by gravitational waves





Hunting for dark matter in the forest (astrophysical constraints on warm dark matter)

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