



# How to rule out cold dark matter

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# Non-baryonic dark matter candidates

From the 1980s:

| Type | example             | mass                                 |
|------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|
| hot  | neutrino            | few tens of eV                       |
| warm | sterile $\nu$       | keV-MeV                              |
| cold | axion<br>neutralino | $10^{-5}\text{eV} - 100 \text{ GeV}$ |

# The dark matter power spectrum

$k^3 P(k)$

The linear power spectrum (“power per octave”)

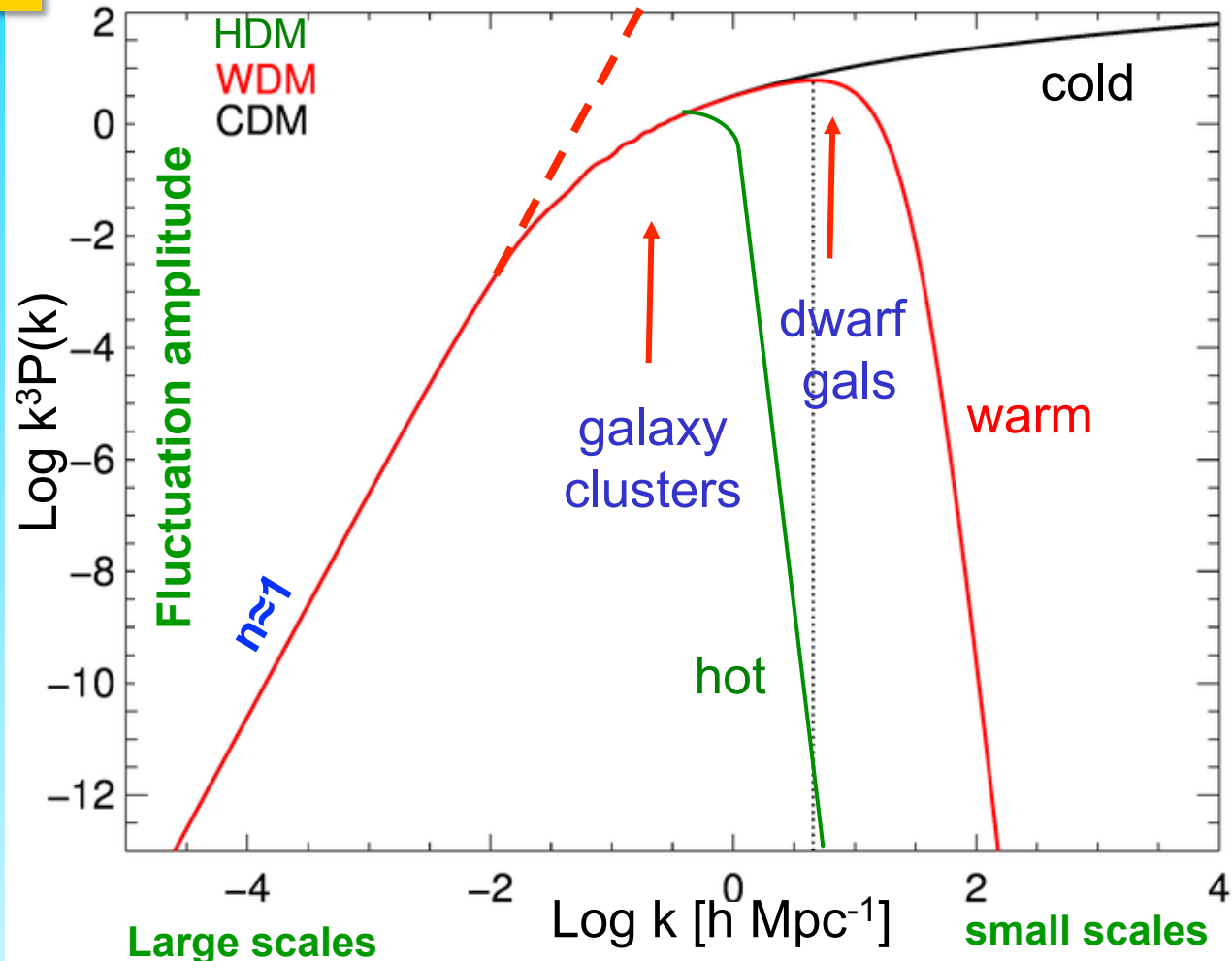
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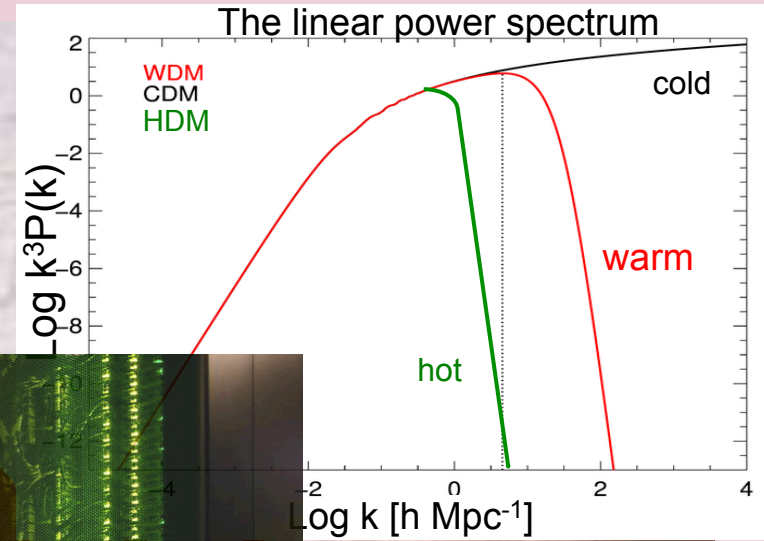
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$m_{\text{HDM}} \sim \text{few tens eV}$   
light  $\nu$ ;  $M_{\text{cut}} \sim 10^{15} M_{\odot}$





# Non-linear evolution



# Non-linear evolution: simulations

Initial conditions + assumption about content of Universe

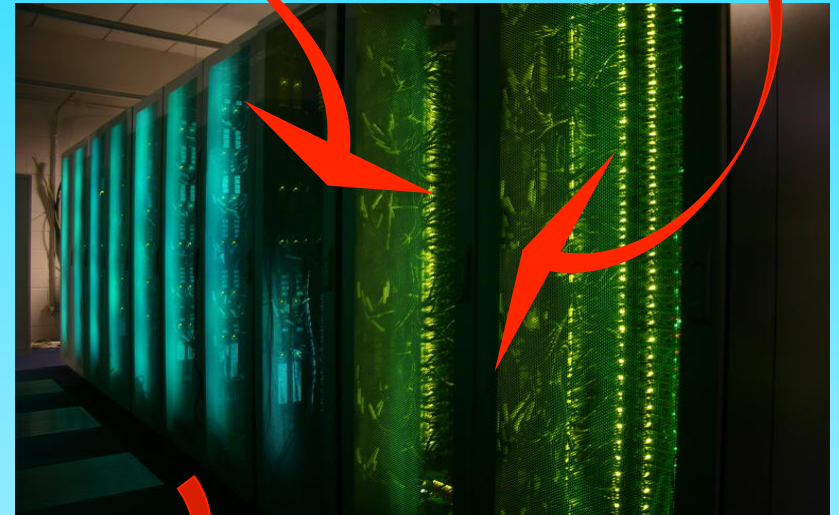
## Relevant equations:

Collisionless Boltzmann

Poisson, Friedmann

Radiative hydrodynamics

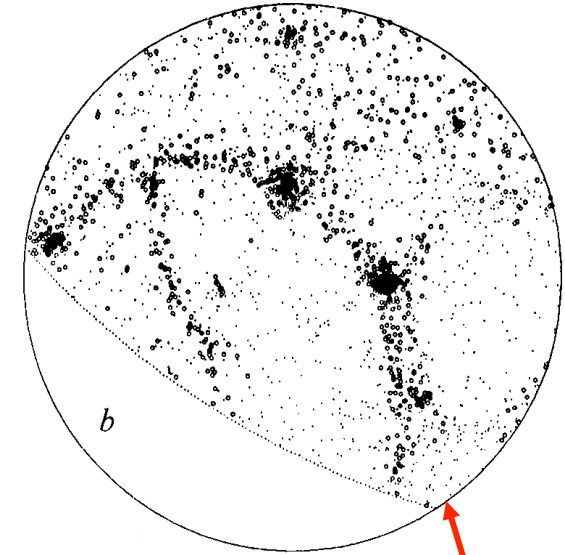
Subgrid astrophysics



How to make a virtual universe



# Non-baryonic dark matter cosmologies



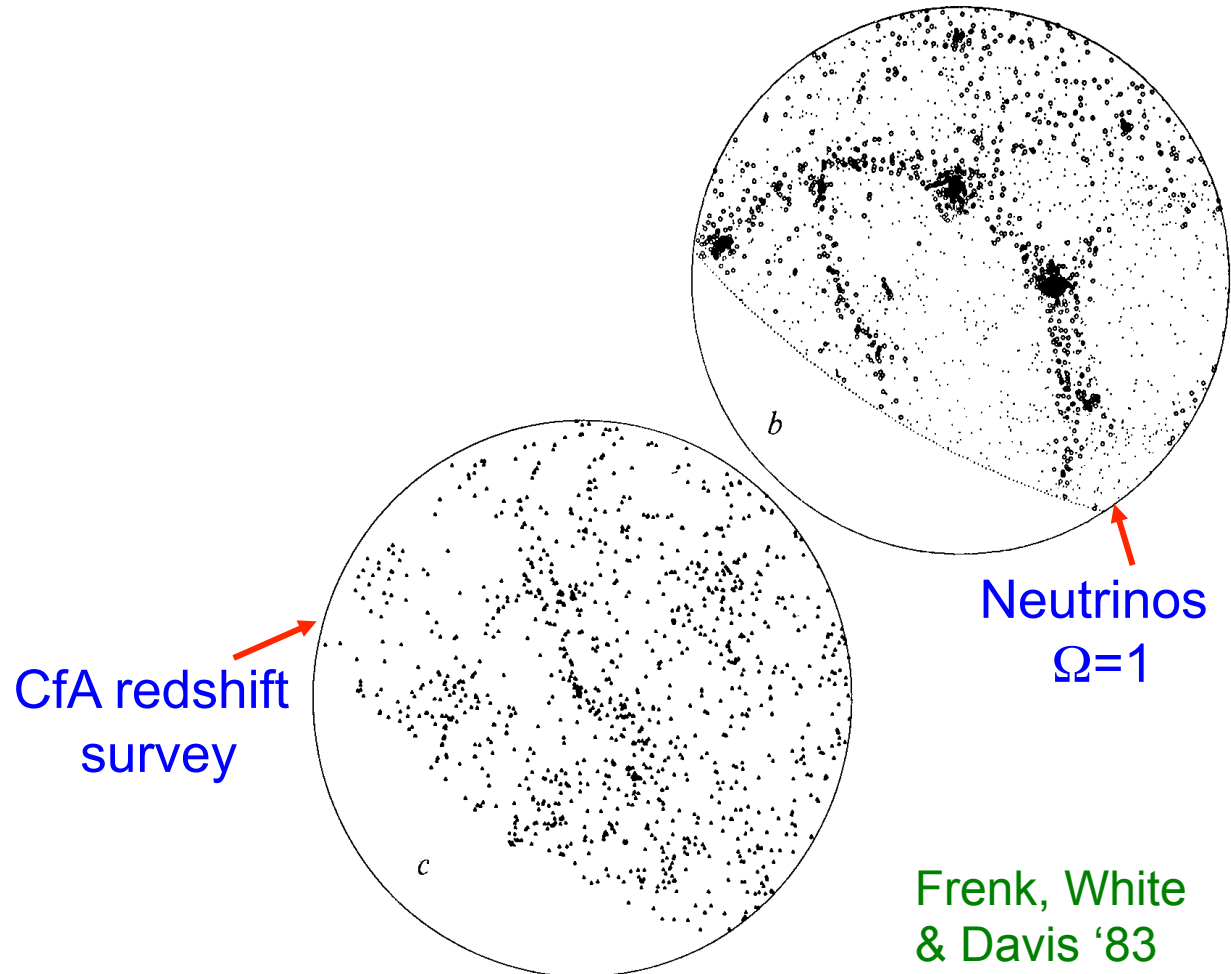
Neutrinos  
 $\Omega=1$

Frenk, White  
& Davis '83

# Non-baryonic dark matter cosmologies

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wrong clustering

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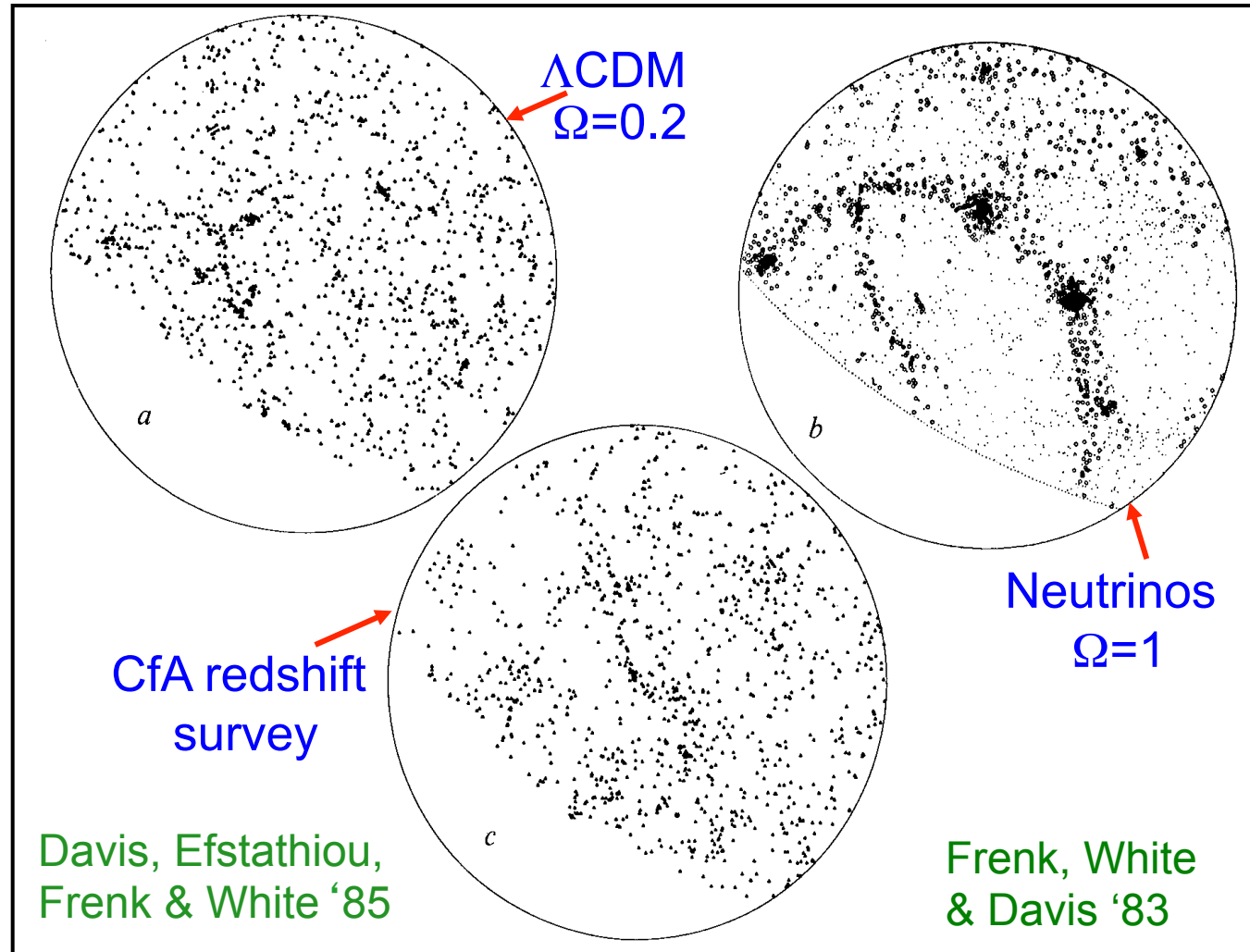
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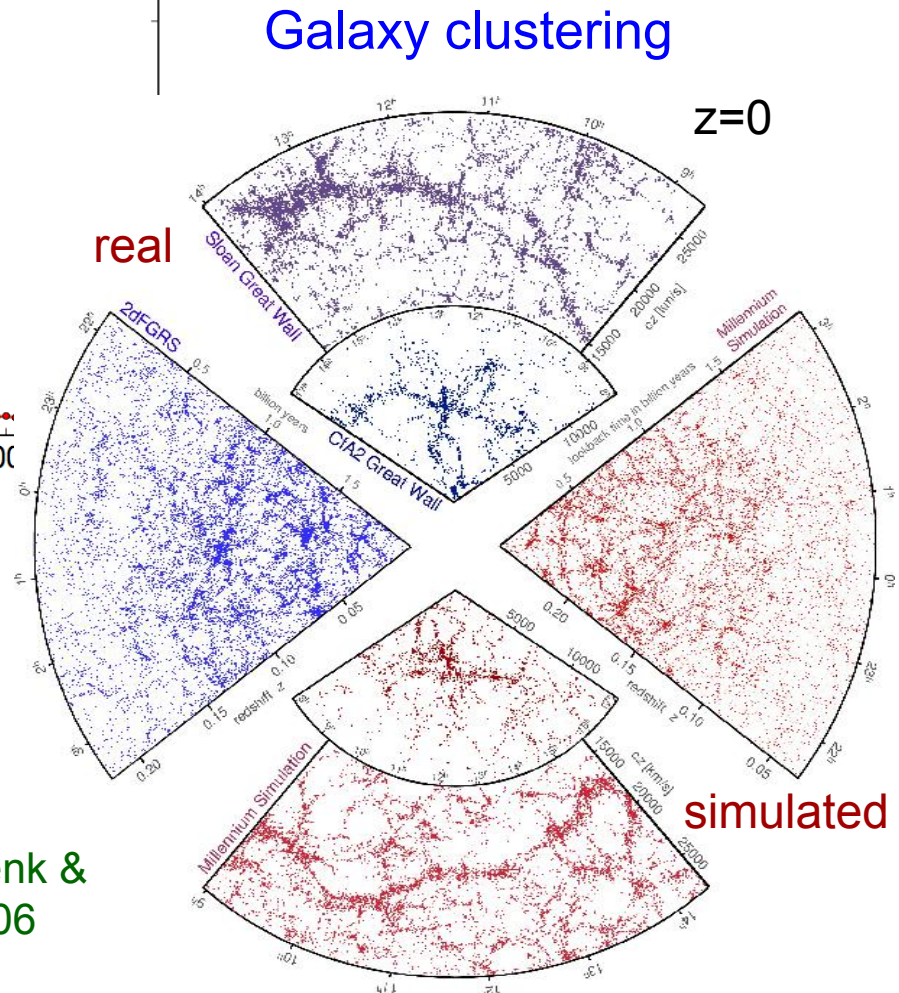
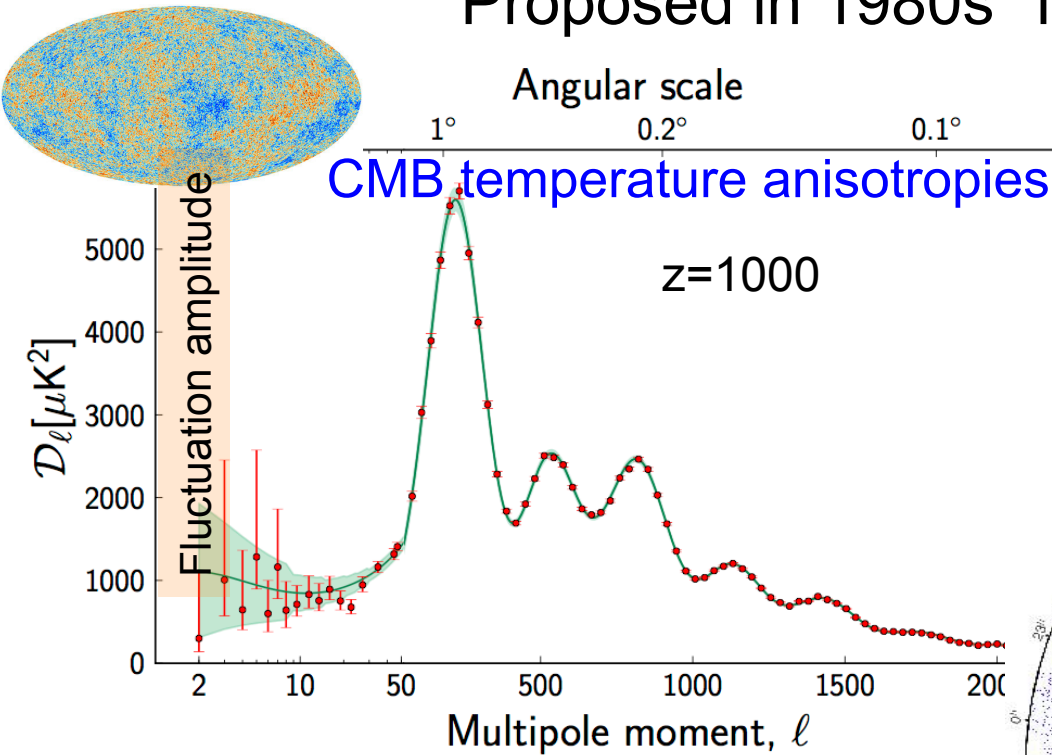
Early CDM N-body  
simulations gave  
promising results

In CDM structure  
forms hierarchically



# The $\Lambda$ CDM model of cosmogony

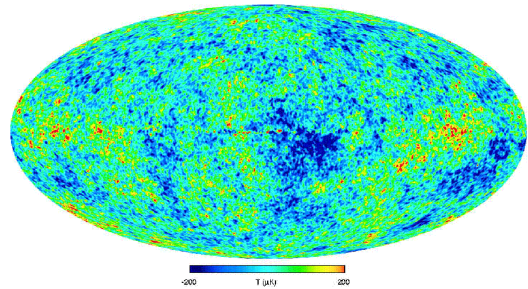
Proposed in 1980s Now empirically supported by:



Springel, Frenk &  
White 2006



# The cosmic power spectrum: from the CMB to the 2dFGRS

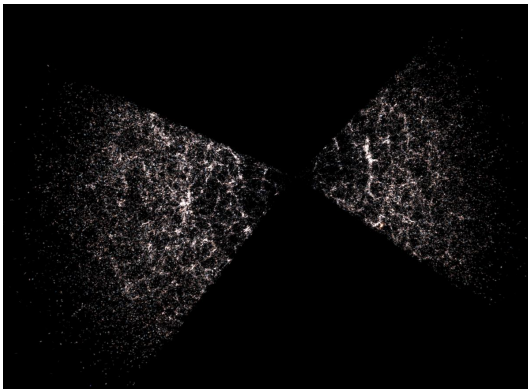


$z \sim 1000$

$\text{Log } k^3 P(k)$

wavelength  $k^{-1}$  (comoving  $h^{-1}$  Mpc)

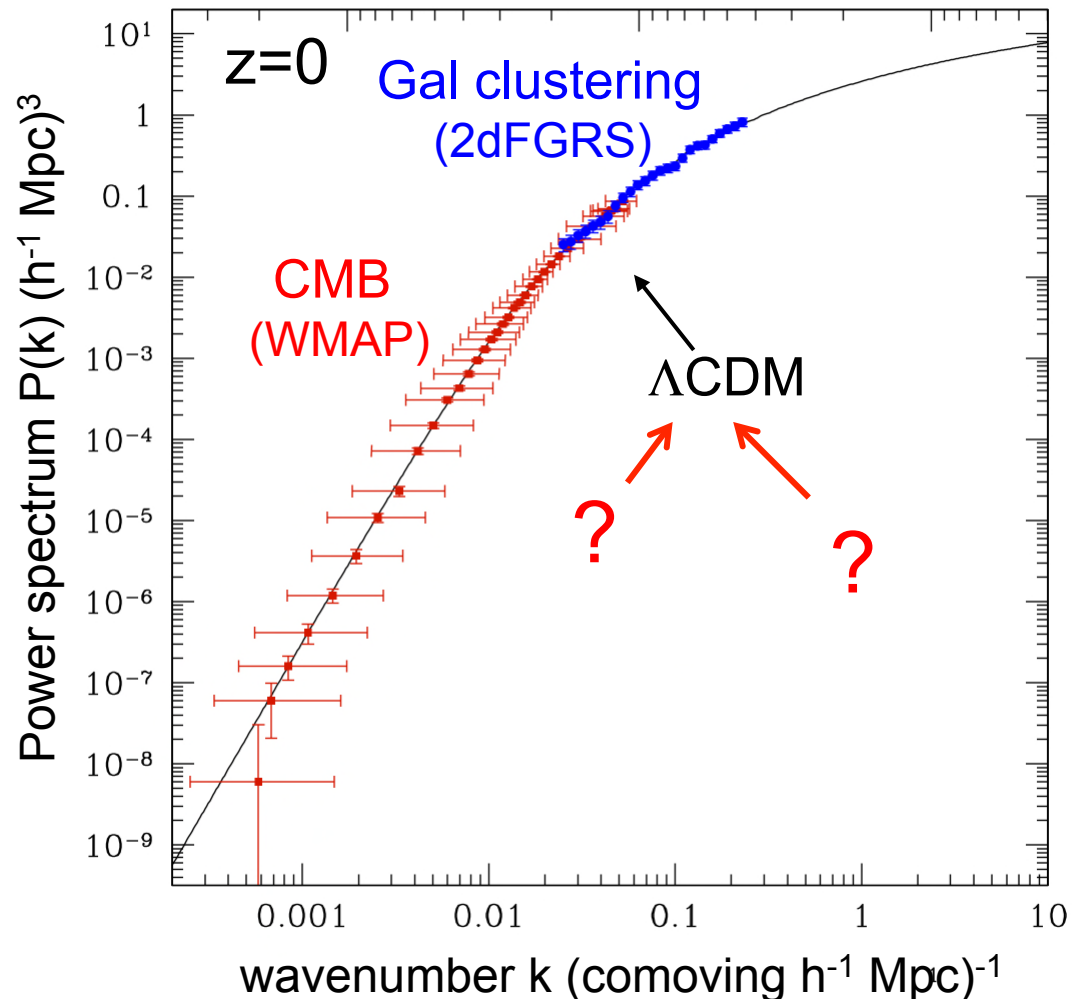
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$z \sim 0$

⇒  $\Lambda$ CDM provides an excellent description of mass power spectrum from 10-1000 Mpc

Sanchez et al 06



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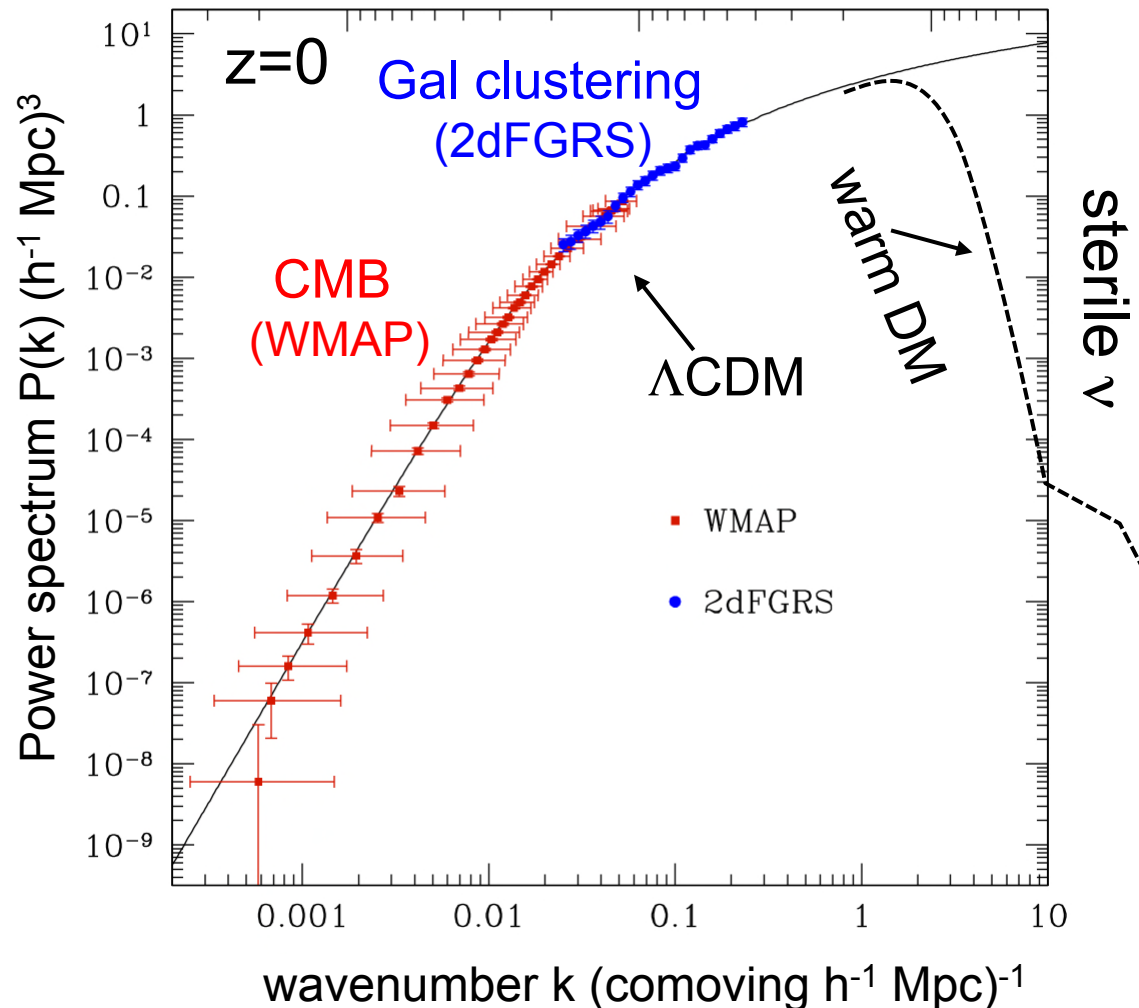
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Both CDM & WDM compatible with CMB & galaxy clustering

Claims that both types of DM have been discovered:

- ◆ CDM:  $\gamma$ -ray excess from Galactic Center
- ◆ WDM (sterile  $\nu$ ): 3.5 X-ray keV line in galaxies and clusters

Very unlikely that both are right!

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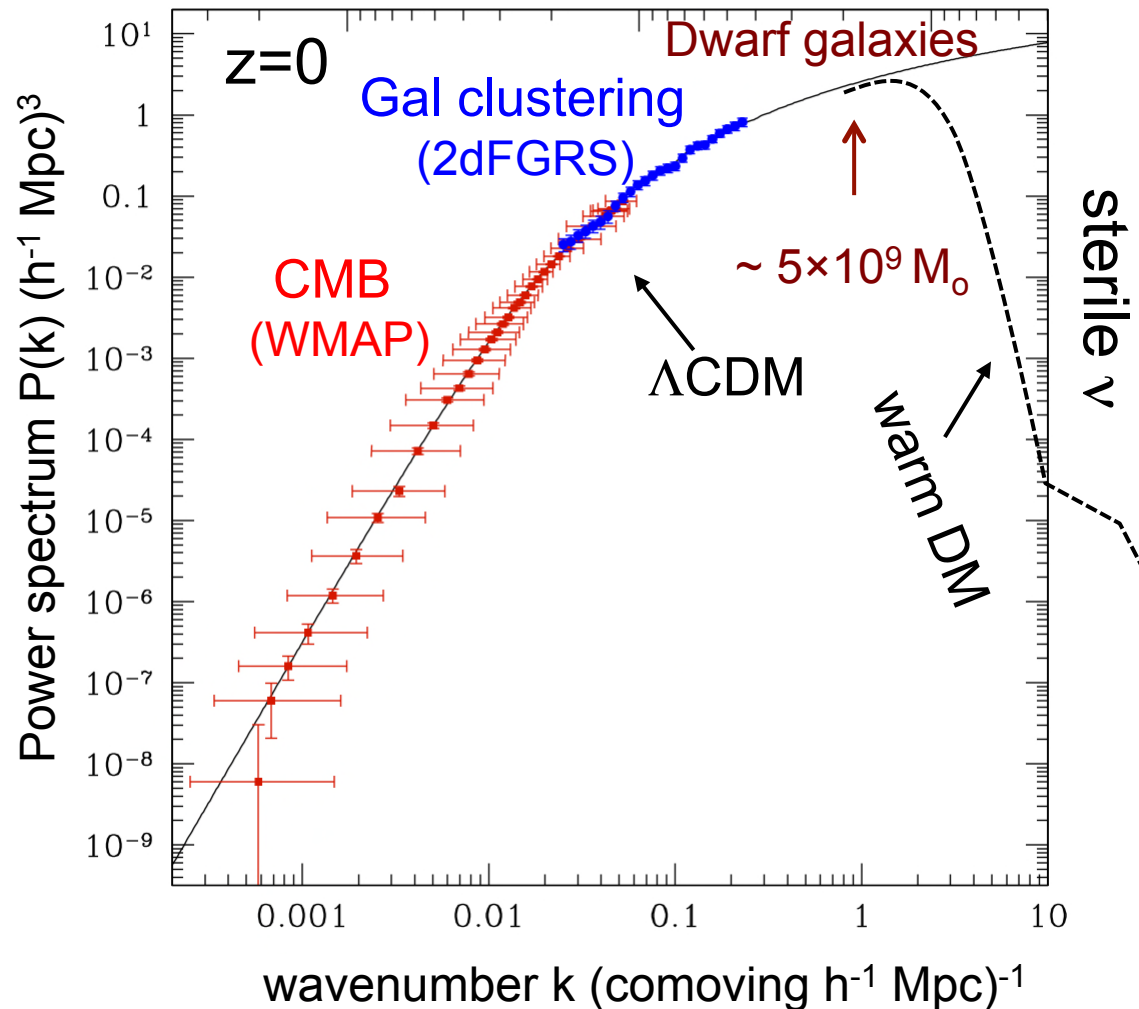
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# Sterile neutrinos

## Explain:

- Neutrino oscillations and masses
- Baryogenesis
- Absence of right-handed neutrinos in standard model
- Dark matter

## Sterile neutrino minimal standard model ( $\nu$ MSM; Boyarski+ 09):

- Extension of SM w. 3 sterile neutrinos: 2 of GeV; 1 of keV mass
- If  $\Omega_N = \Omega_{DM}$ , 2 parameters: mass, lepton asymmetry/mixing angle
- GeV particles may be detected at CERN (SHiP)
- Dark matter candidate can be detected by X-ray decay

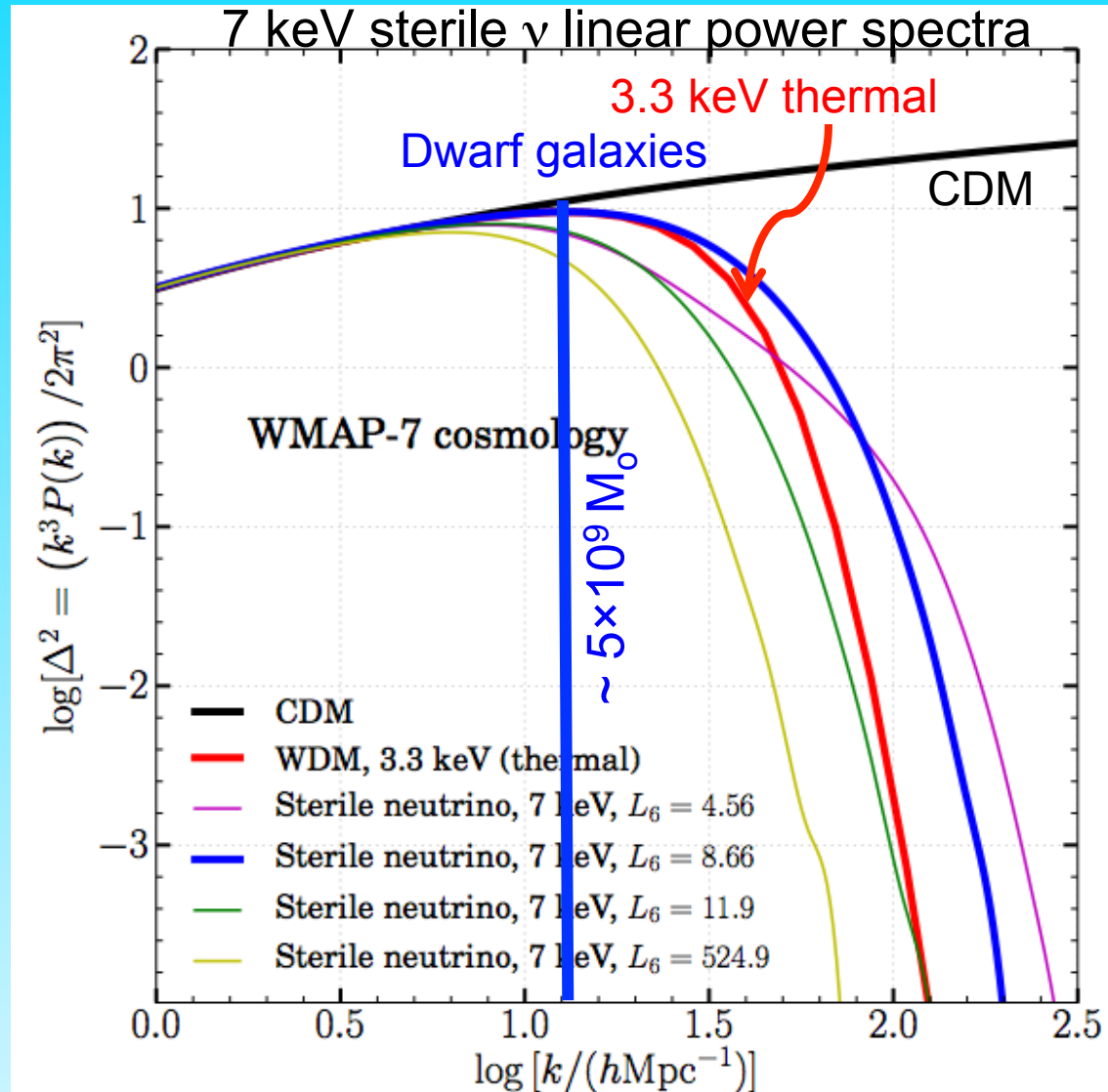


# Primordial $P(k)$ for 7 keV sterile neutrino models

- Thermal and resonant production mechanisms
- Resonant production depends on baryon asymmetry parameter,  $L_6$
- Linear PS varies **non-monotonically** with  $L_6$

Ly- $\alpha$  forest rules out thermal masses,  $m_\nu < 3.3$  keV (Viel + '13)

Lovell, Bose, CSF et al. 16





Cold Dark Matter

Warm Dark Matter

13.4 billion years ago

cold dark matter

warm dark matter

How can we distinguish between these?

Lovell, Eke, Frenk, Gao, Jenkins, Wang, White, Theuns,  
Boyarski & Ruchayskiy '12



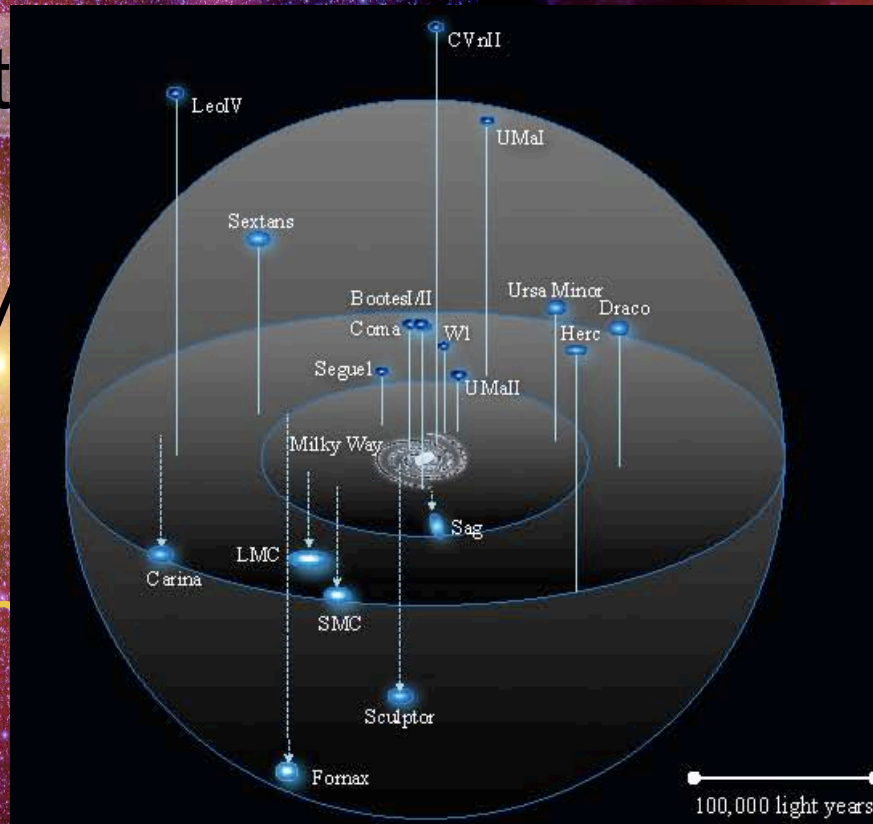
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Most subhalos never make a galaxy!

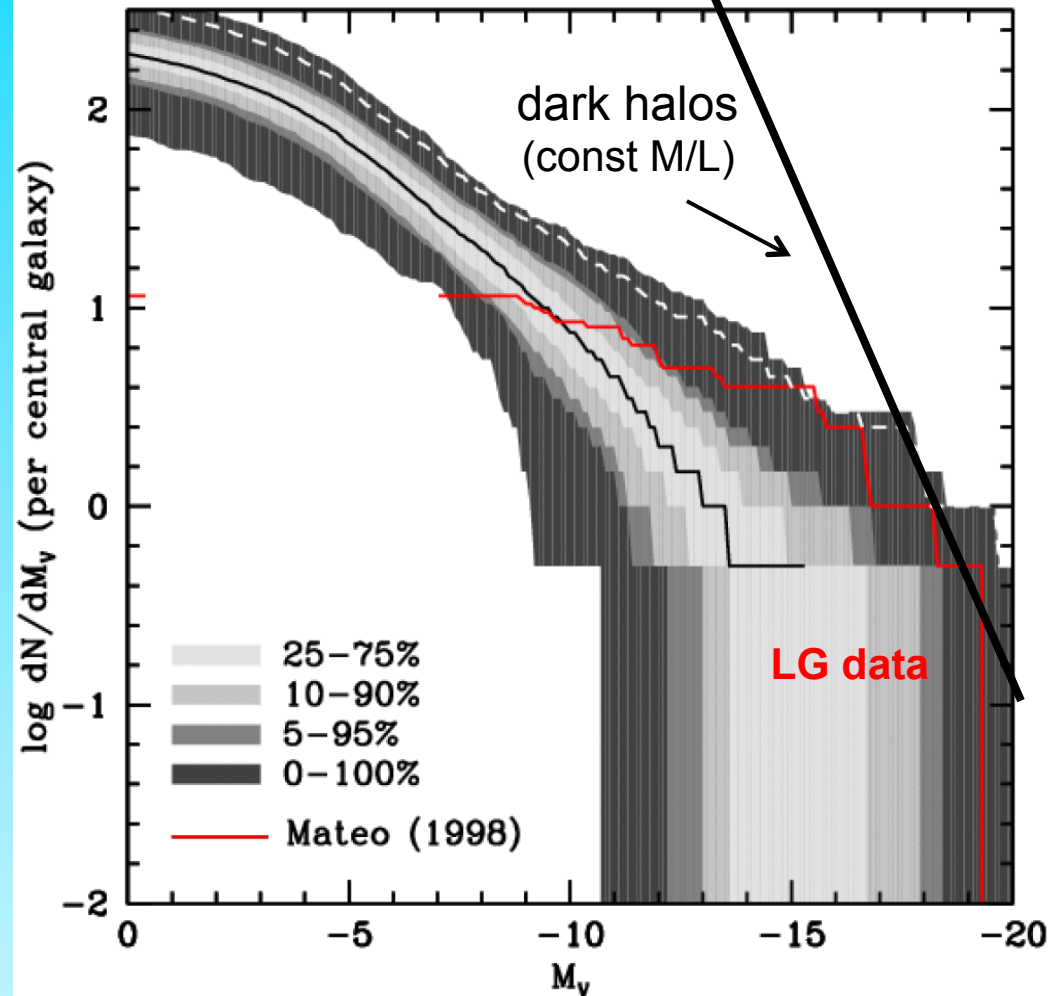
Because:

- Reionization heats gas to  $10^4\text{K}$ , preventing it from cooling and forming stars in small halos ( $T_{\text{vir}} < 10^4\text{K}$ )
- Supernovae feedback expels residual gas in slightly larger halos



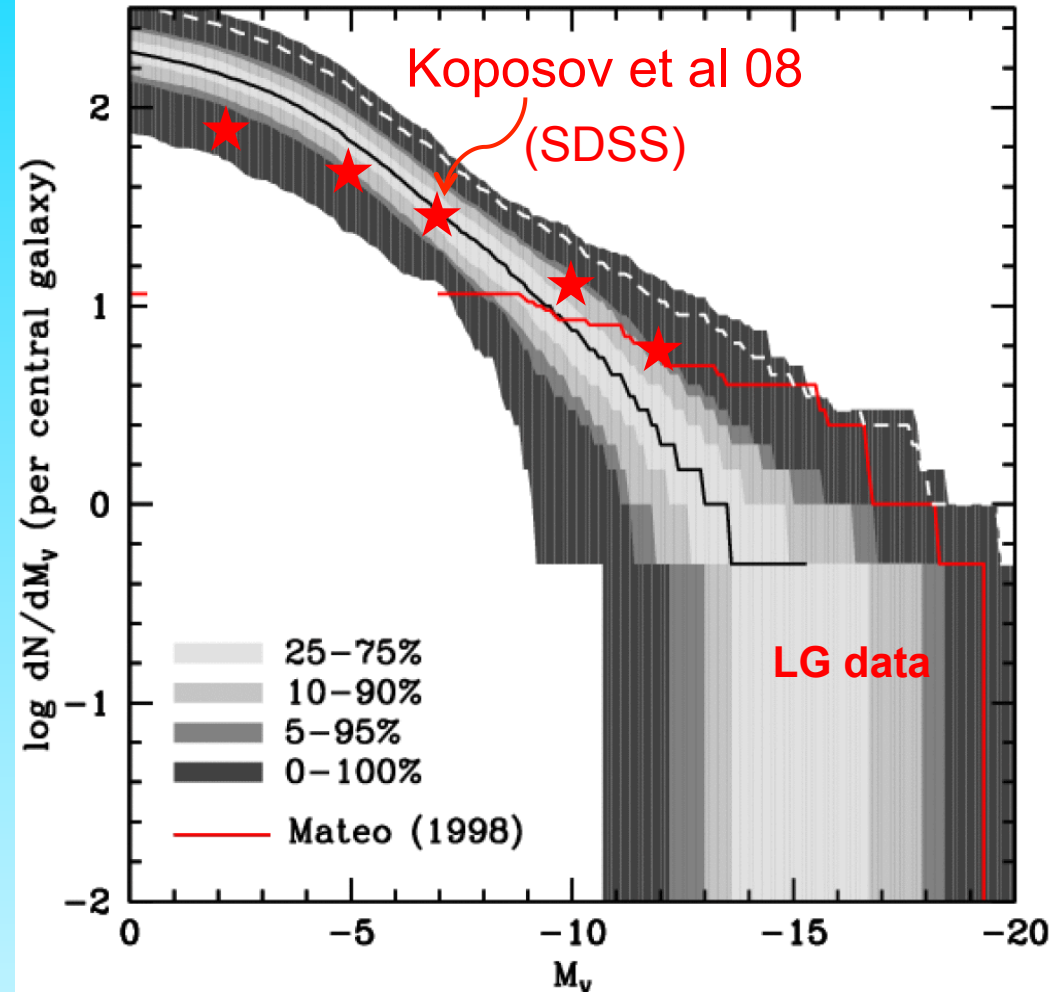
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Benson, Frenk, Lacey, Baugh & Cole '02  
(see also Kauffman+ '93, Bullock+ '00, Somerville '02)



VIRGO

[icc.dur.ac.uk/Eagle](http://icc.dur.ac.uk/Eagle)

“Evolution and assembly of galaxies and  
their environment”

# THE EAGLE PROJECT

## Virgo Consortium

**Durham:** Richard Bower, Michelle Furlong, Carlos Frenk, Matthieu Schaller, James Trayford, Yelti Rosas-Guevara, Tom Theuns, Yan Qu, John Helly, Adrian Jenkins.

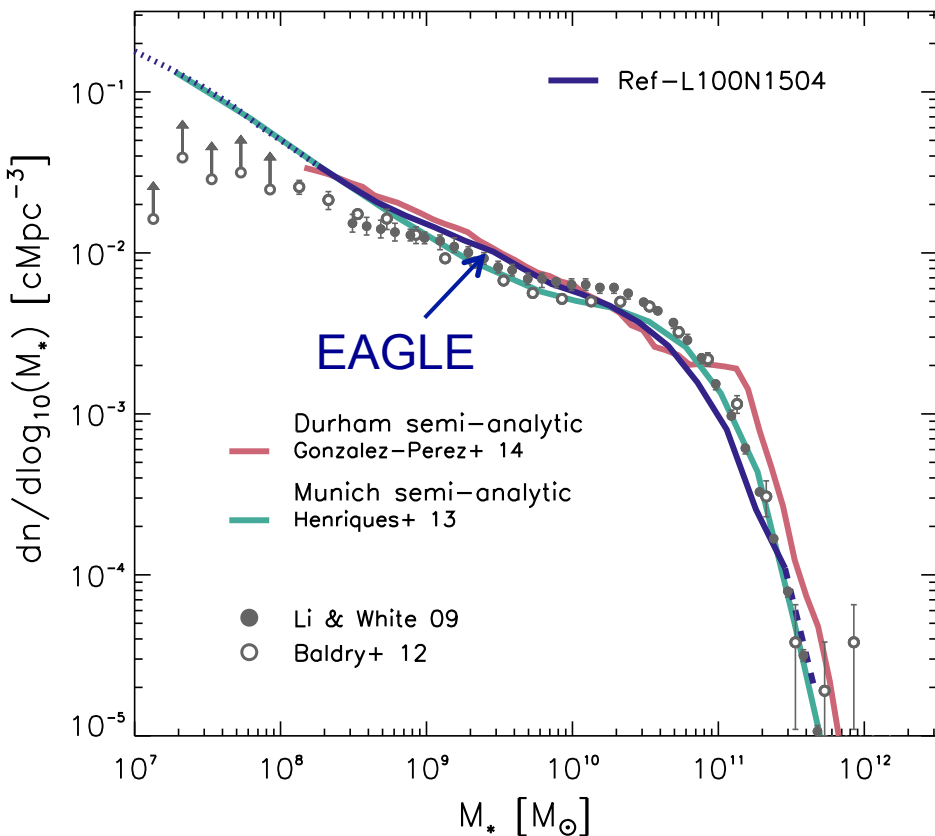
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**Other:** Claudio Dalla Vecchia, Ian McCarthy, Craig Booth...

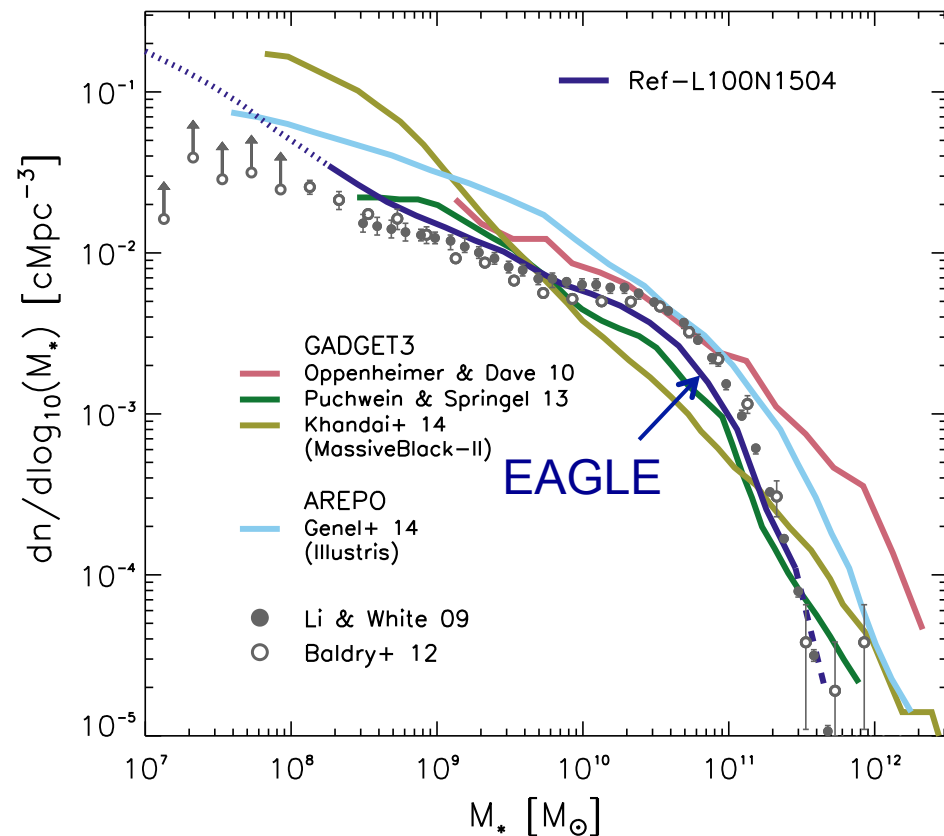


# Galaxy stellar mass function

Comparison to semi-analytic models



Comparison to other Hydro simulations





VIRG

Dark matter

APOSTLE  
EAGLE full  
hydro  
simulations

Local Group

CDM

Sawala et al '16



Stars

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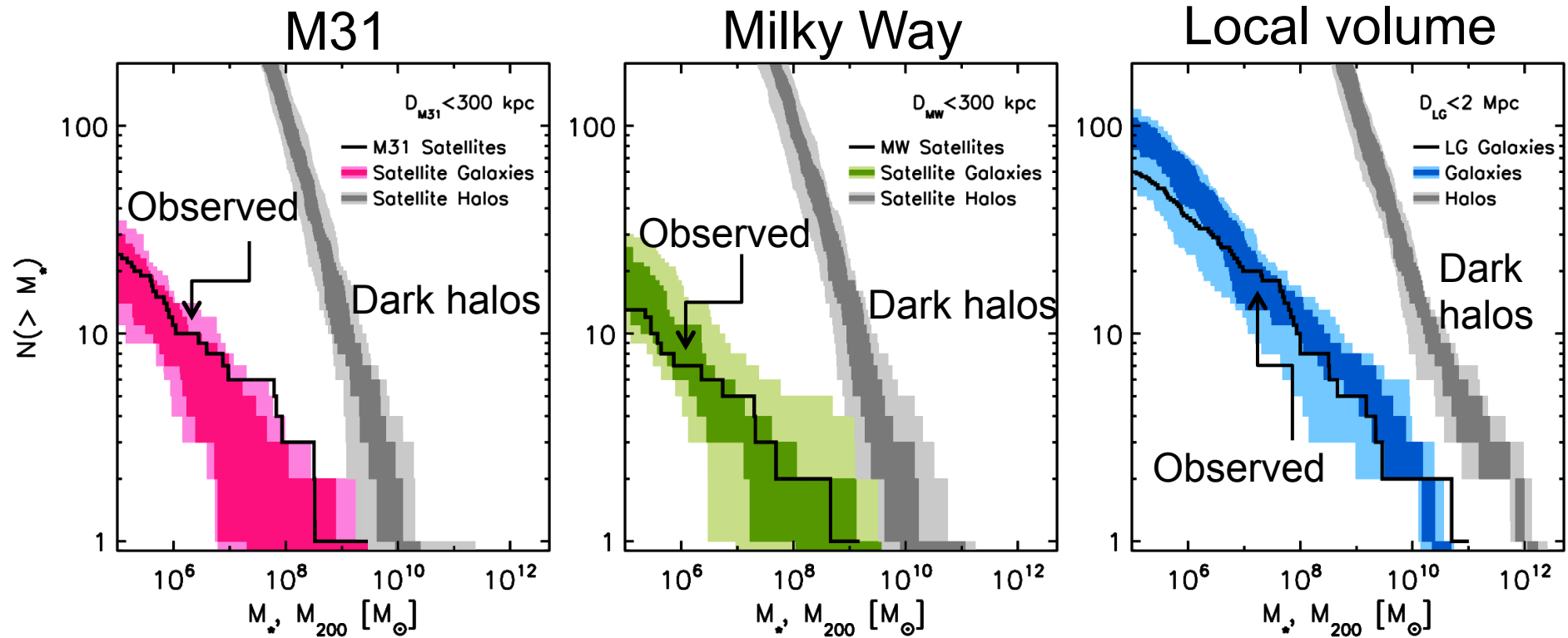
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Far fewer satellite galaxies than CDM halos

Sawala et al '16



# EAGLE Local Group simulation







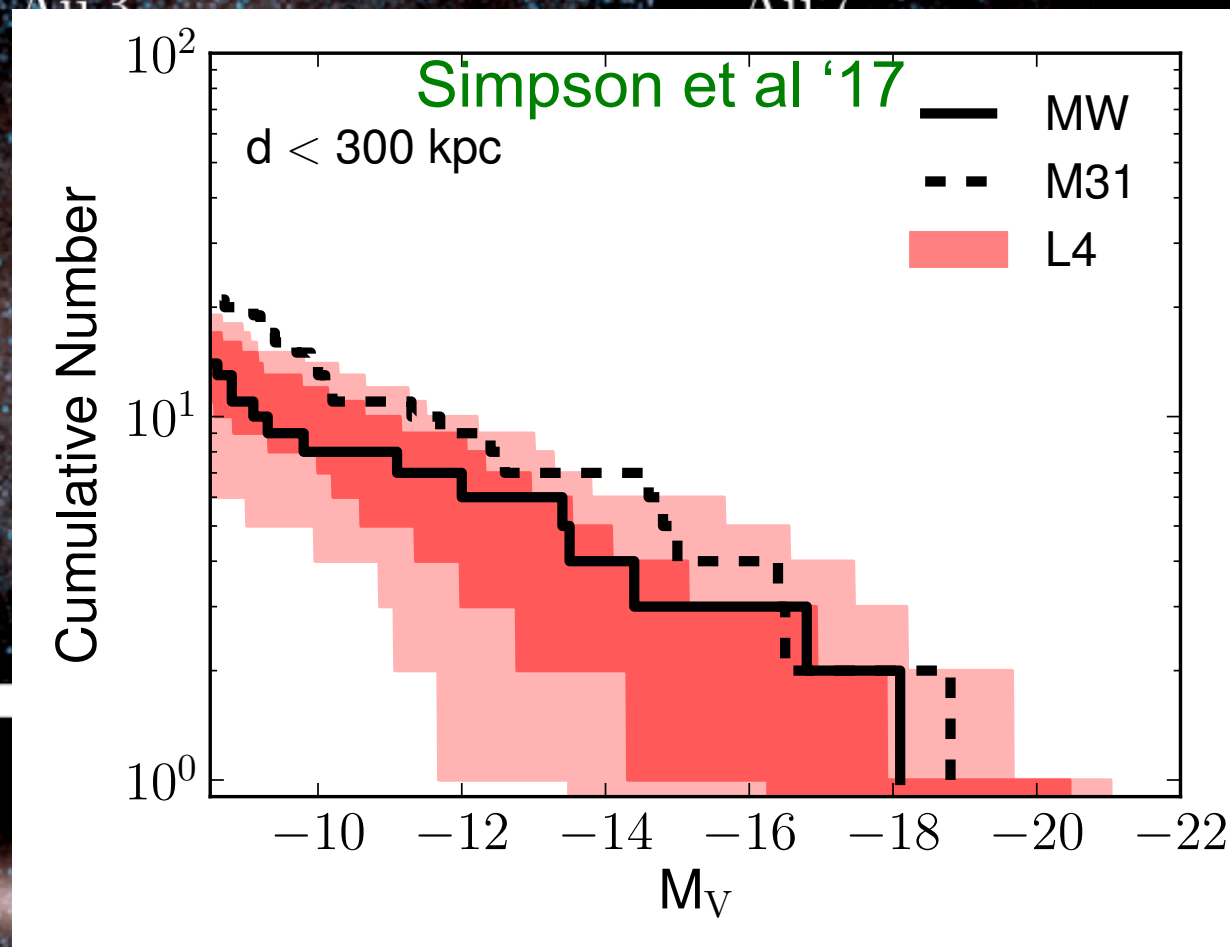
# The Auriga MW-like galaxies

Grand et al '16

30 very high res  
Aureo sims

6 even higher  
res sims

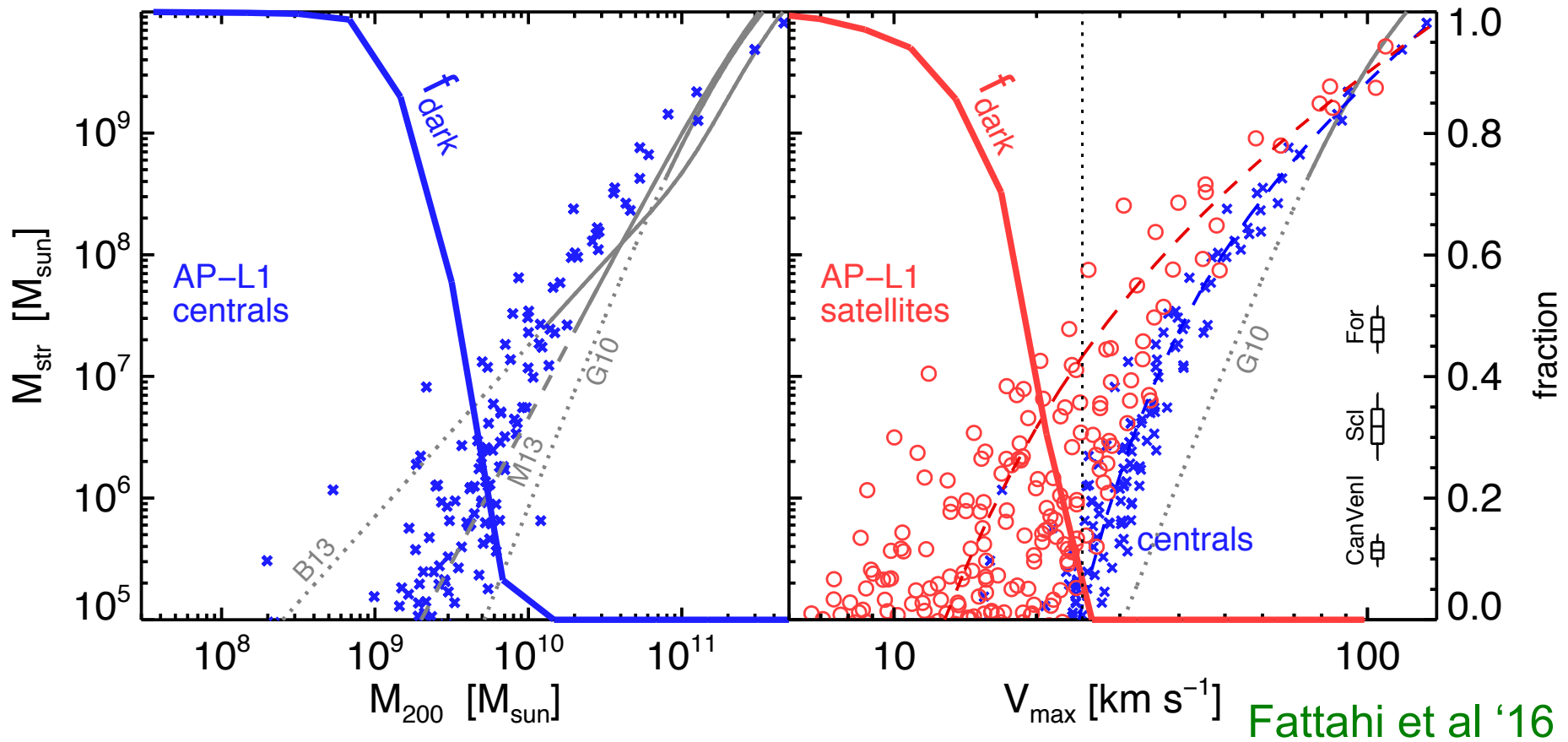
D. Campbell  
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F. Marinacci  
R. Pakmor  
V. Springel  
S. White





# Fraction of dark subhalos

$$V_c = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}} \quad V_{\max} = \max V_c$$



Fattahi et al '16

All halos of mass  $< 5 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}$  or  $V_{\max} < 7 \text{ km/s}$  are dark ( $m_* < 10^4 M_{\odot}$ )



(~50 discovered so far)



(a few tens)



# Warm DM: different $\nu$ mass

$z=3$

WDM

2.3 keV

2.0 keV

1.6 keV

1.4 keV

CDM

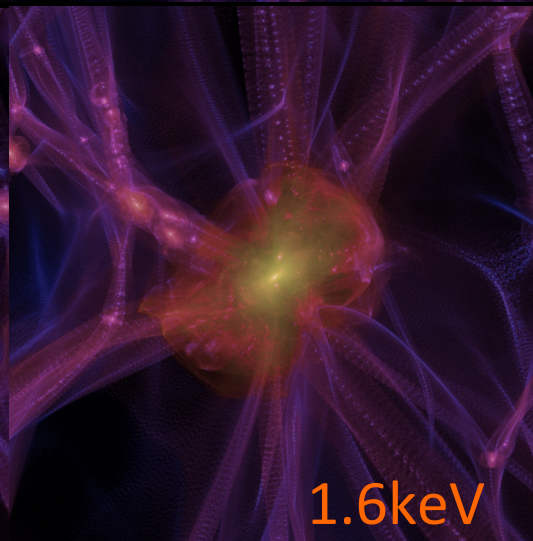
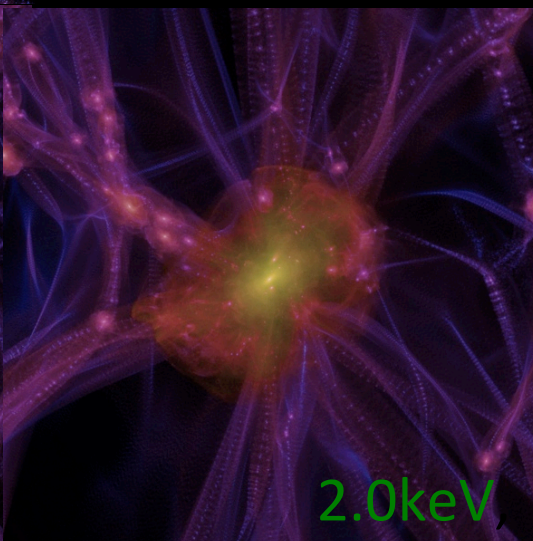
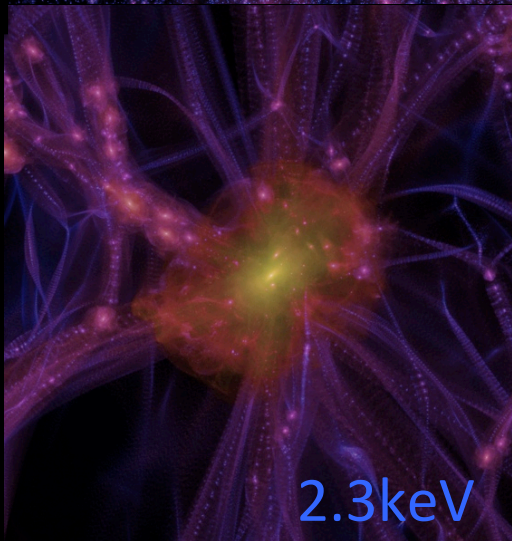
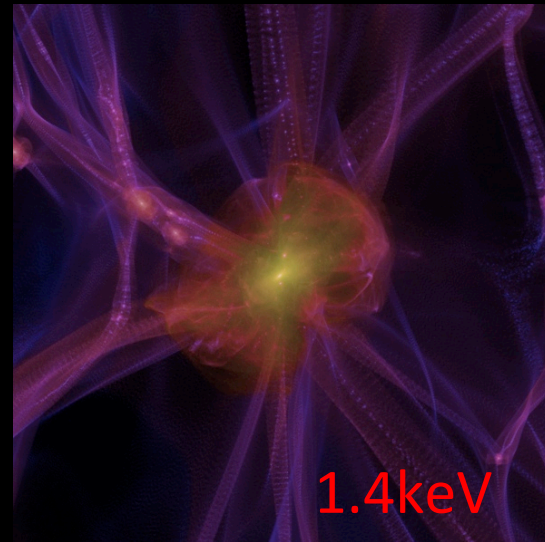
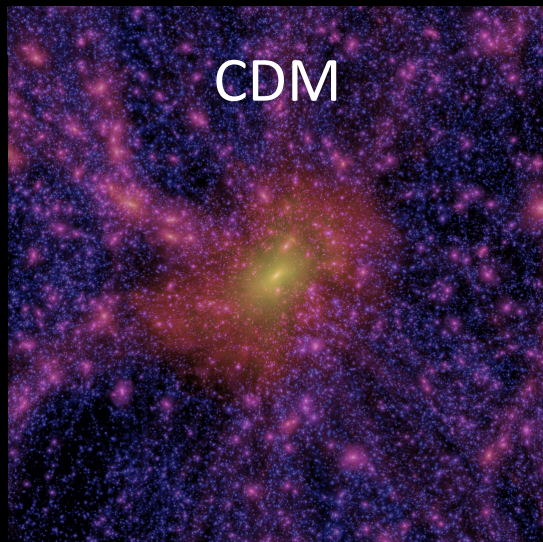
WDM

1.4keV

2.3keV

2.0keV

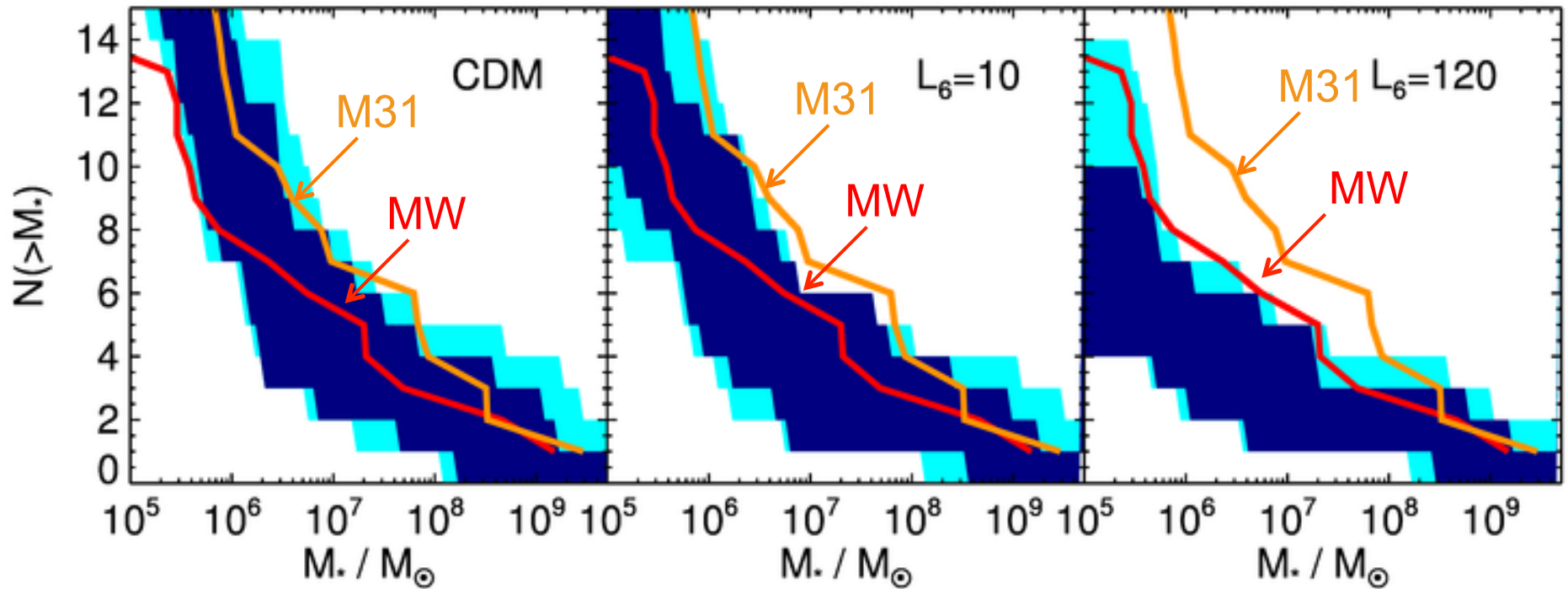
1.6keV





# Luminosity Function of Local Group Satellites in WDM

From “Warm Apostle:” 7keV sterile  $\nu$   $M_h \sim 10^{12} M_\odot$



Lovell et al. '16

When “baryon effects” are  
taken into account



Observed abundance of satellites  
is compatible with CDM but rules  
out some WDM models



There is no such thing as the  
“satellite problem” in CDM!





So, we can't distinguish  
CDM from WDM by  
counting satellite galaxies

There is no need for  
despair: there is a way  
to distinguish them





# Can we distinguish CDM/WDM?

cold dark matter

warm dark matter

Rather than counting faint galaxies,  
count the number of dark halos



# The subhalo mass function

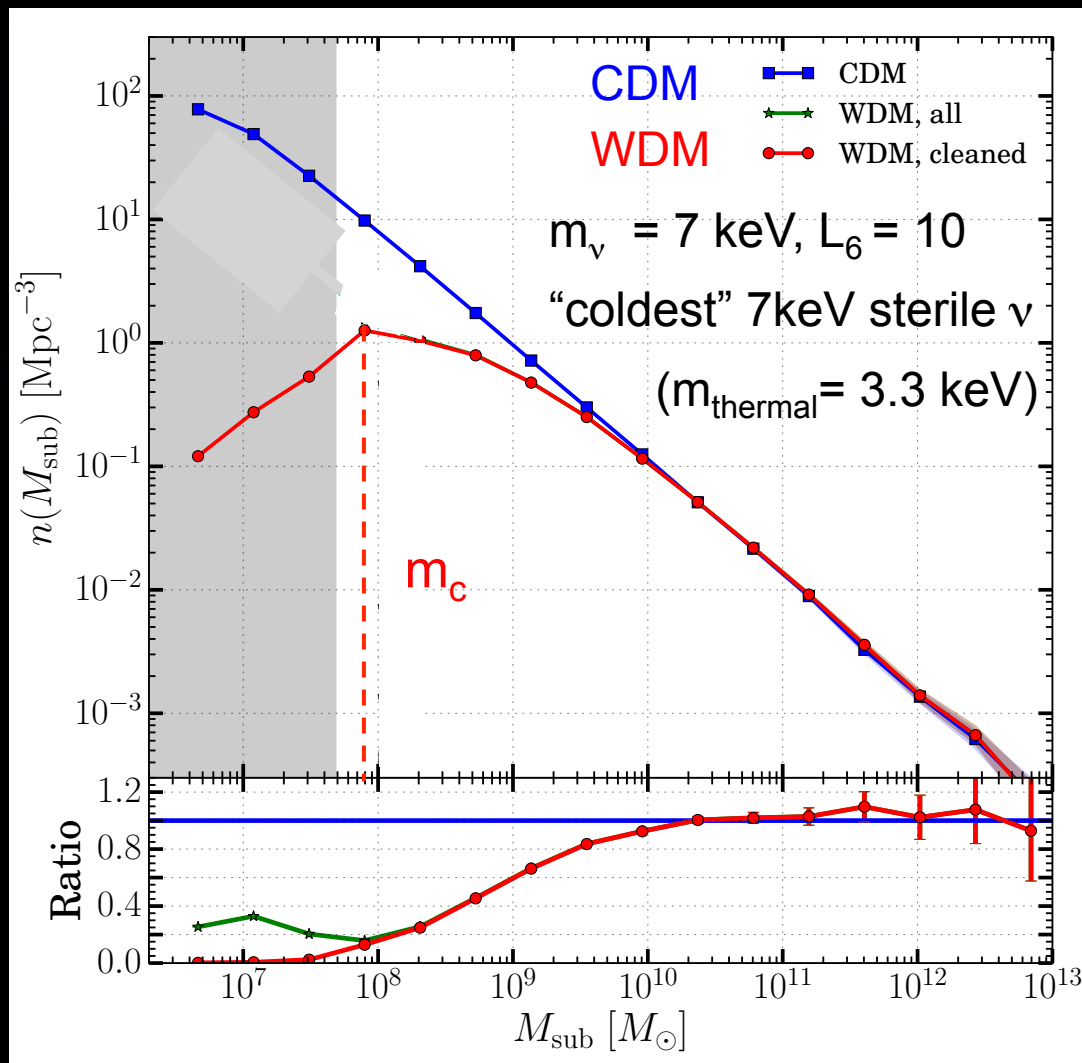


CDM

WDM

3 x fewer WDM subhalos at  $3 \times 10^9 M_\odot$

10 x fewer at  $10^8 M_\odot$





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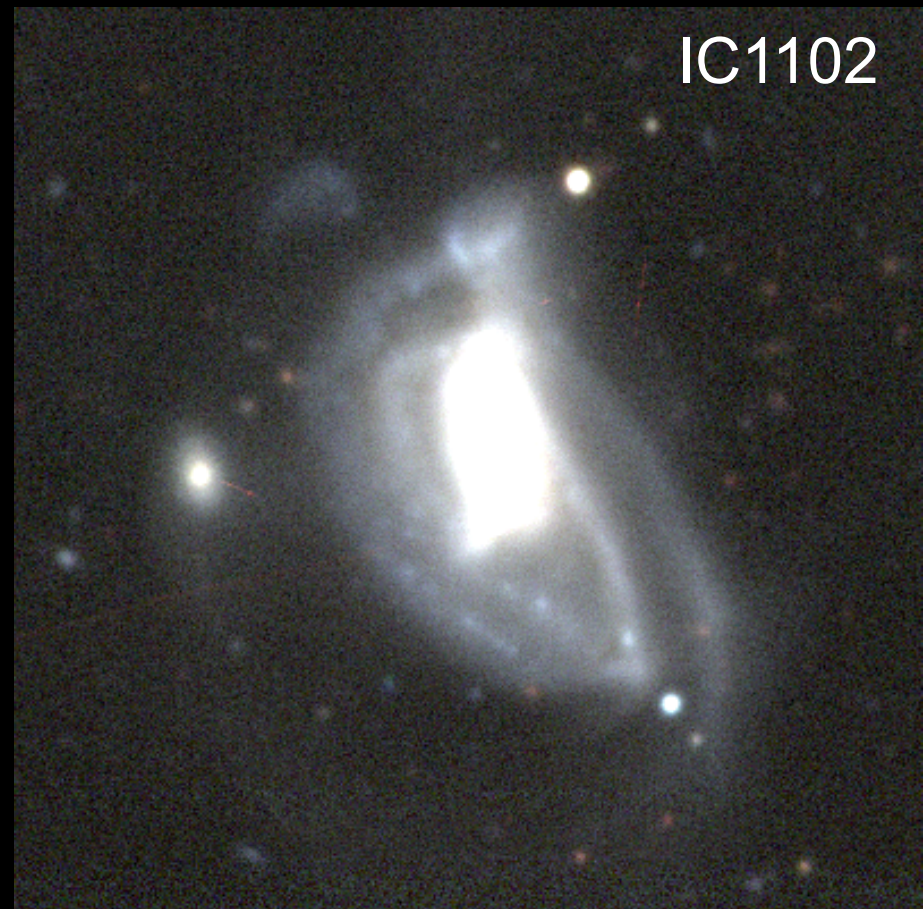
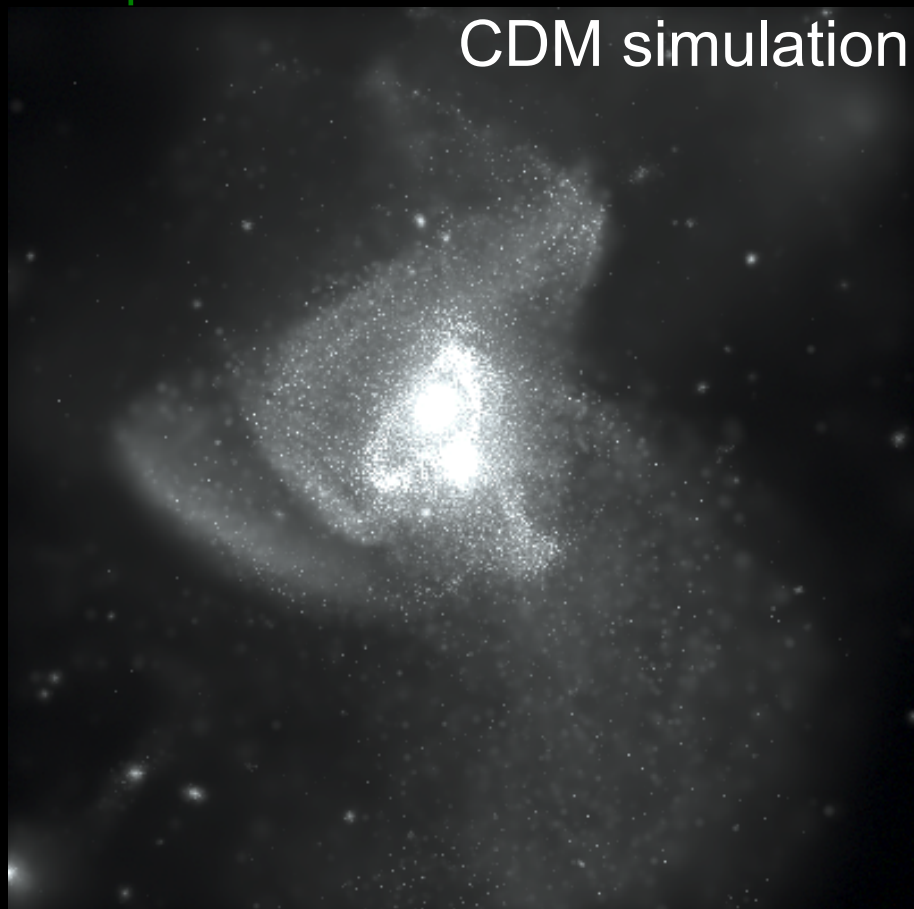
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Cooper et al '16



Subhalos crossing a cold tidal stream can produce a gap

Globular cluster streams (e.g. Pal 5) may be best



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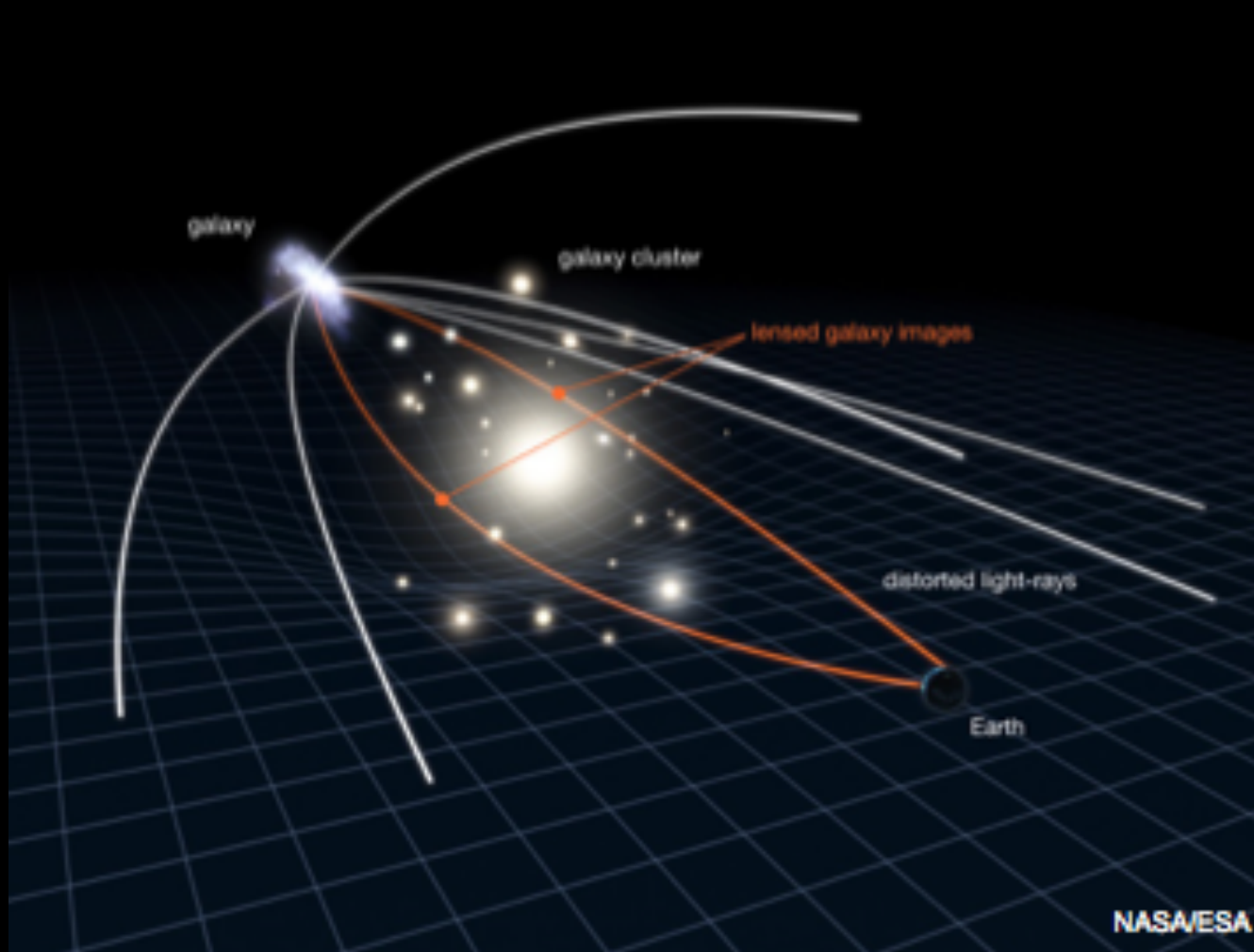


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How to rule out CDM



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When the source and the lens are well aligned → strong arc or an Einstein ring

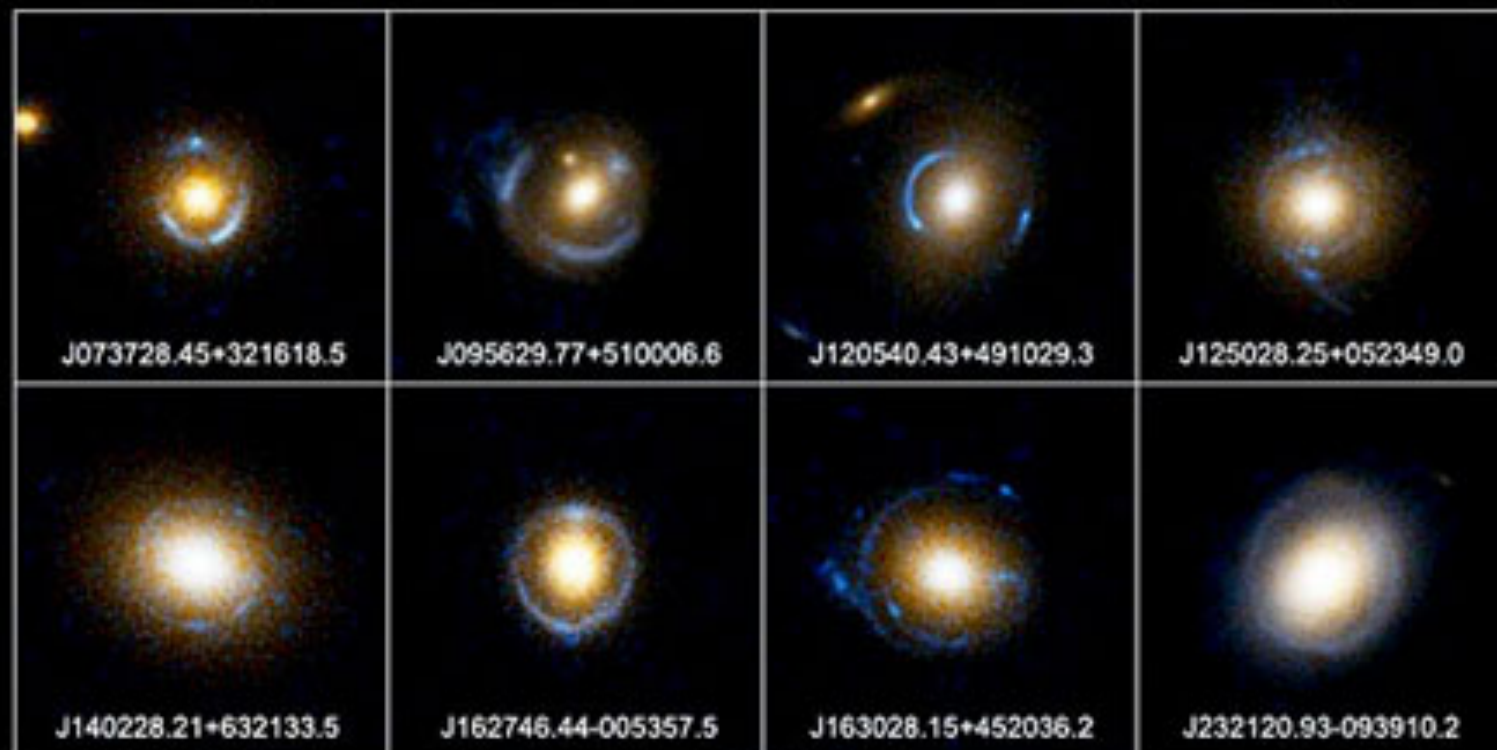




# SLAC sample of strong lenses

**Einstein Ring Gravitational Lenses**

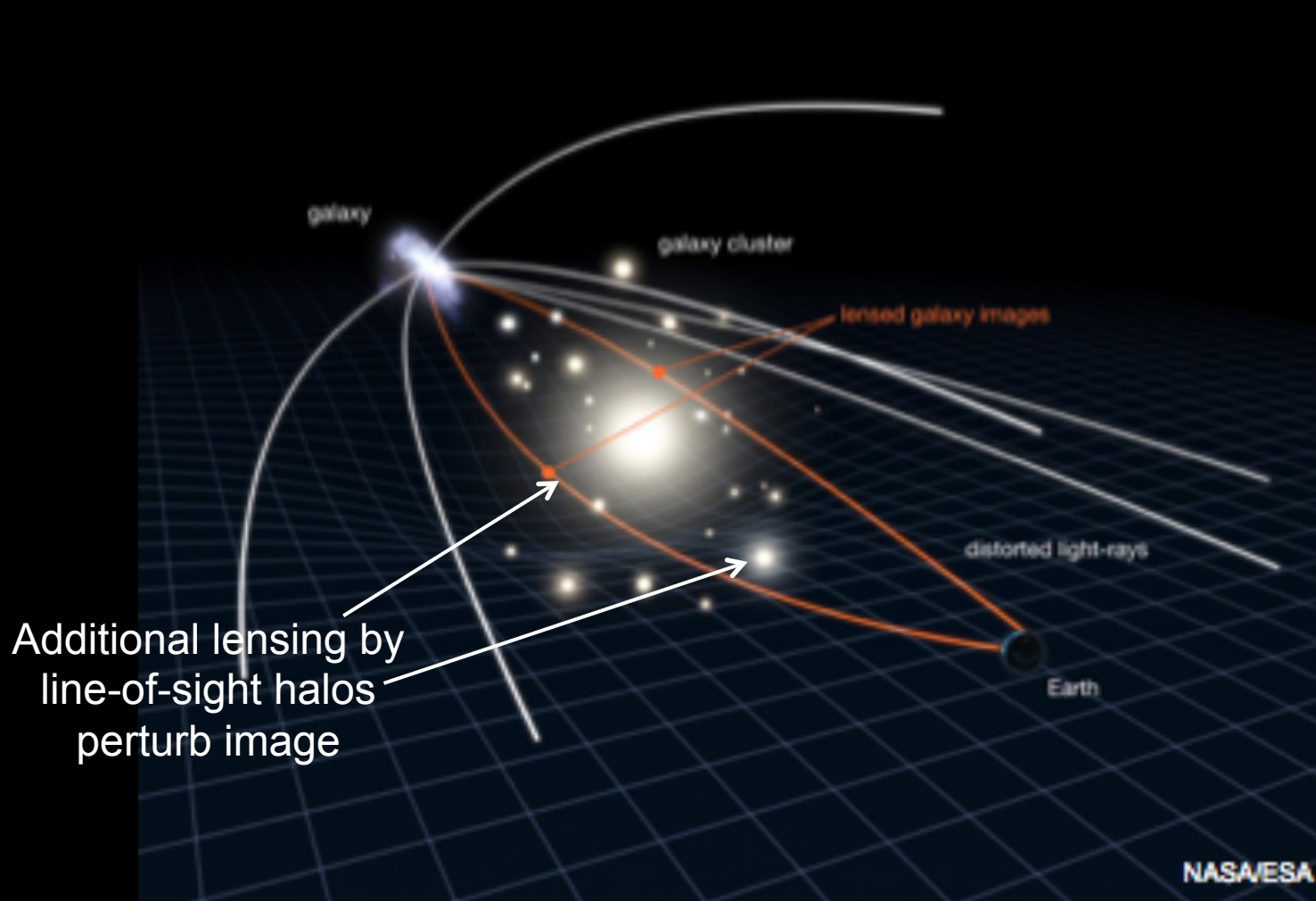
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Halos projected onto an Einstein ring distort the image

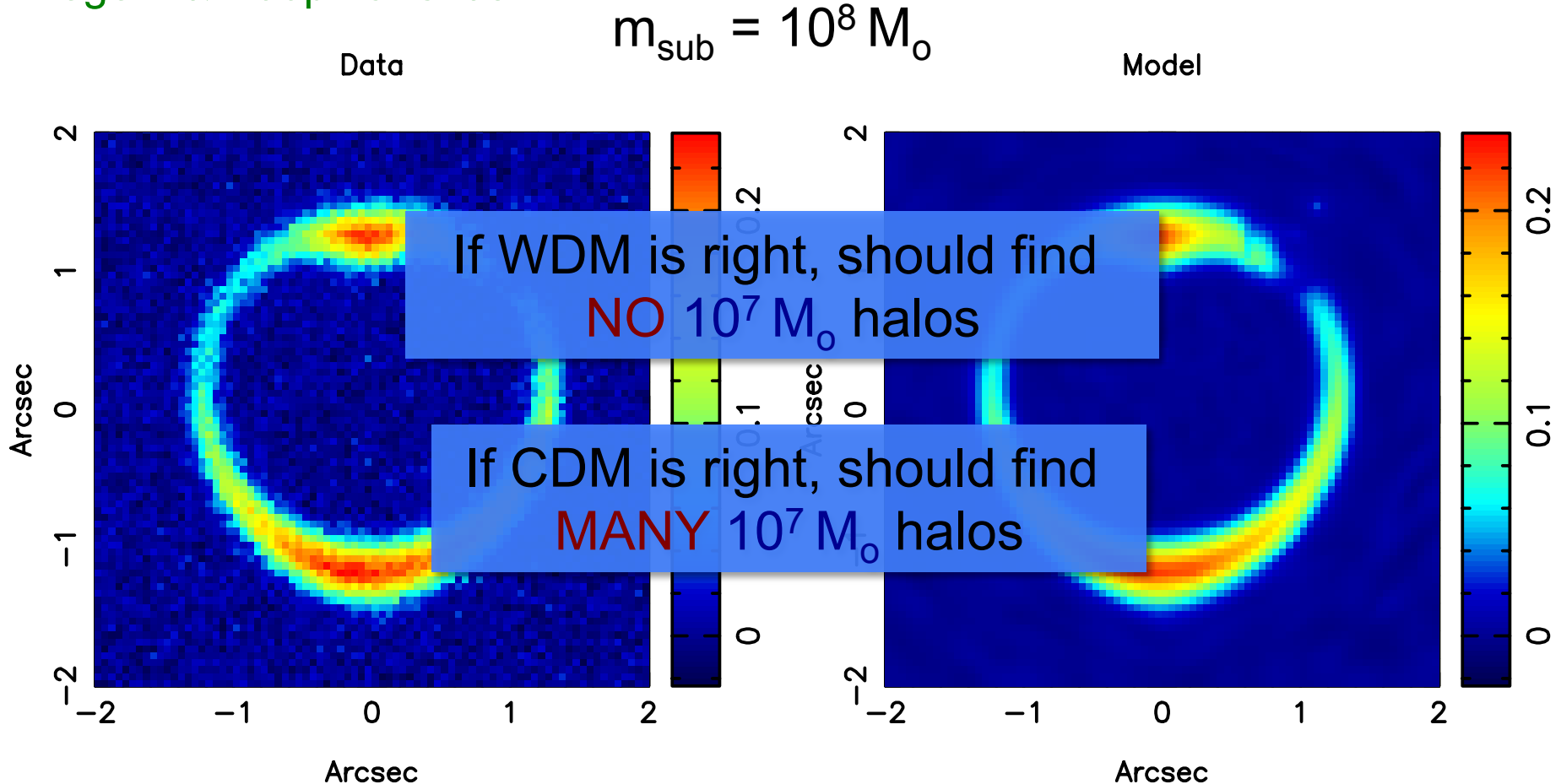


Vegetti & Koopmans '09



# Detecting substructures with strong lensing

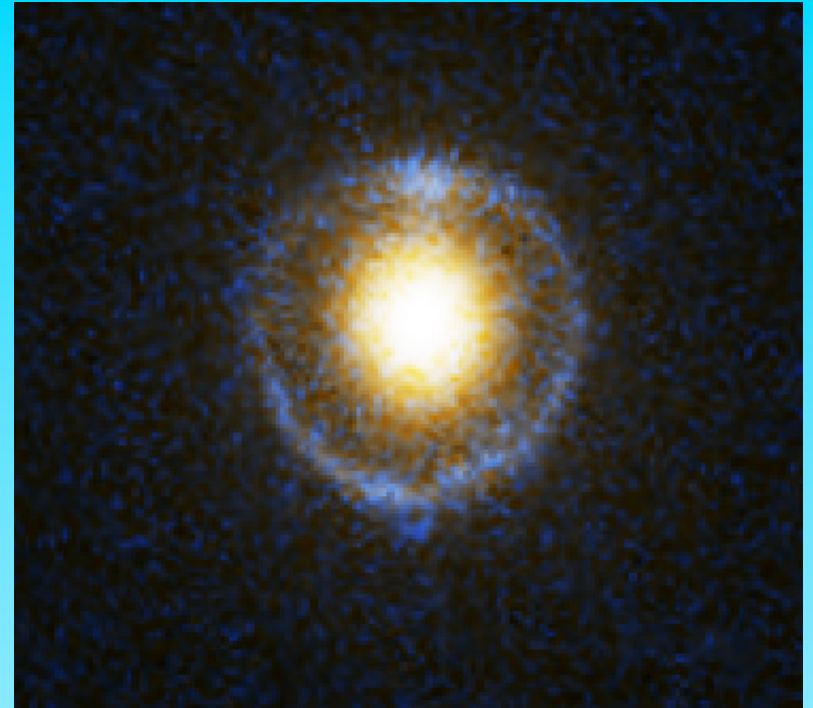
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Can detect subhalos as small as  $10^7 M_{\odot}$

Two important considerations:

- The central galaxy can destroy subhalos
- Both subhalos and line-of-sight projected halos lens

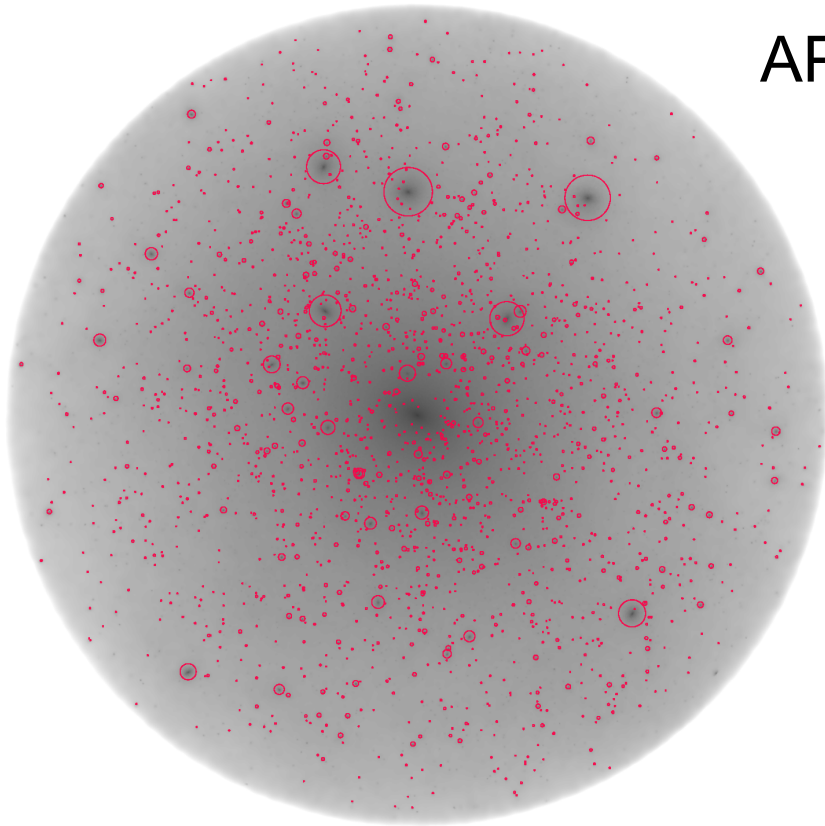


Sawala et al '17

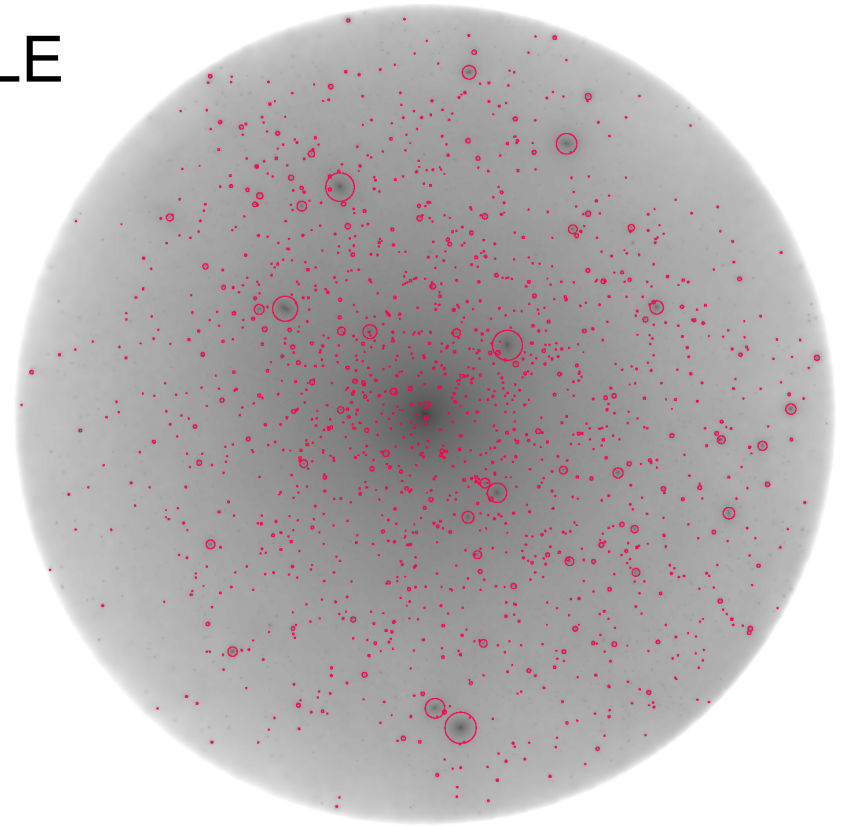
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# Destruction of dark substructures by galactic baryons

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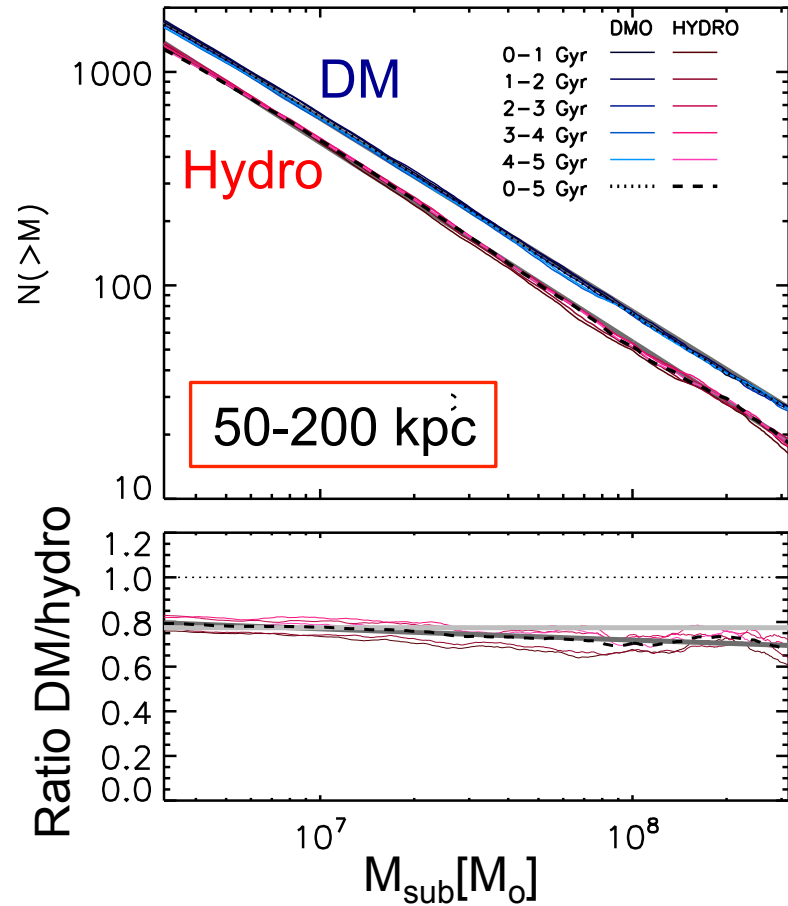
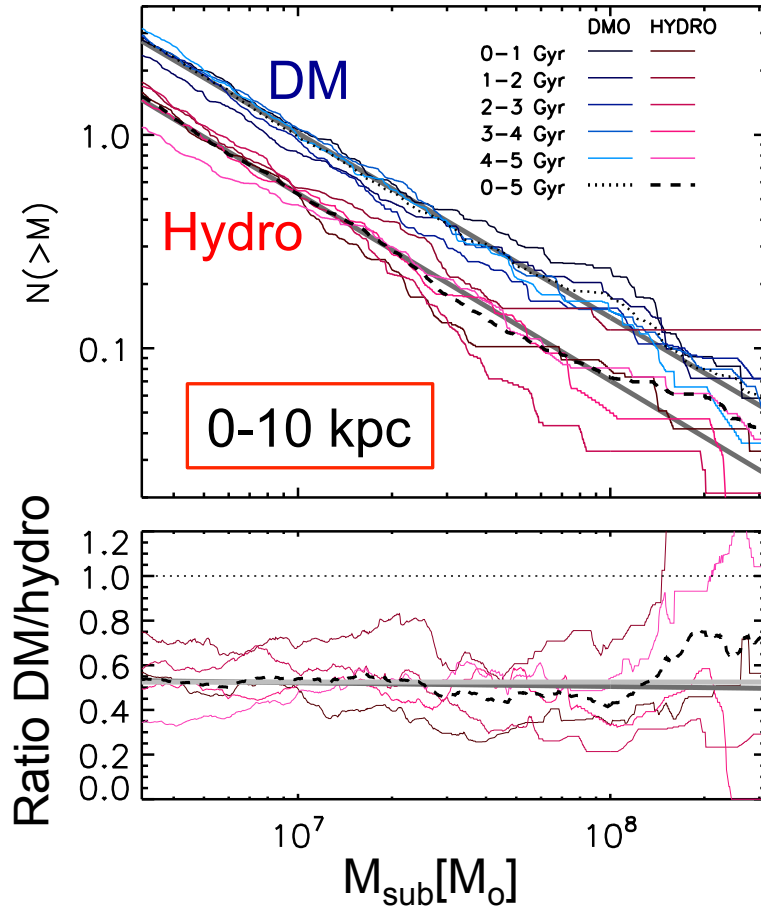
Dark matter only simulation



Hydrodynamic simulation



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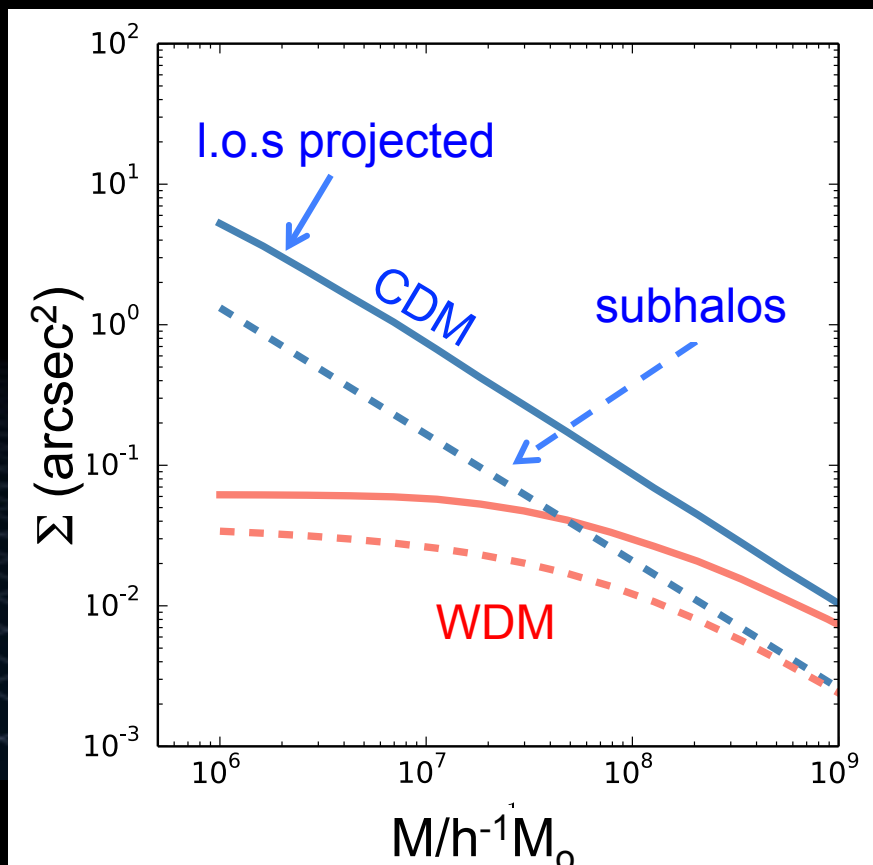
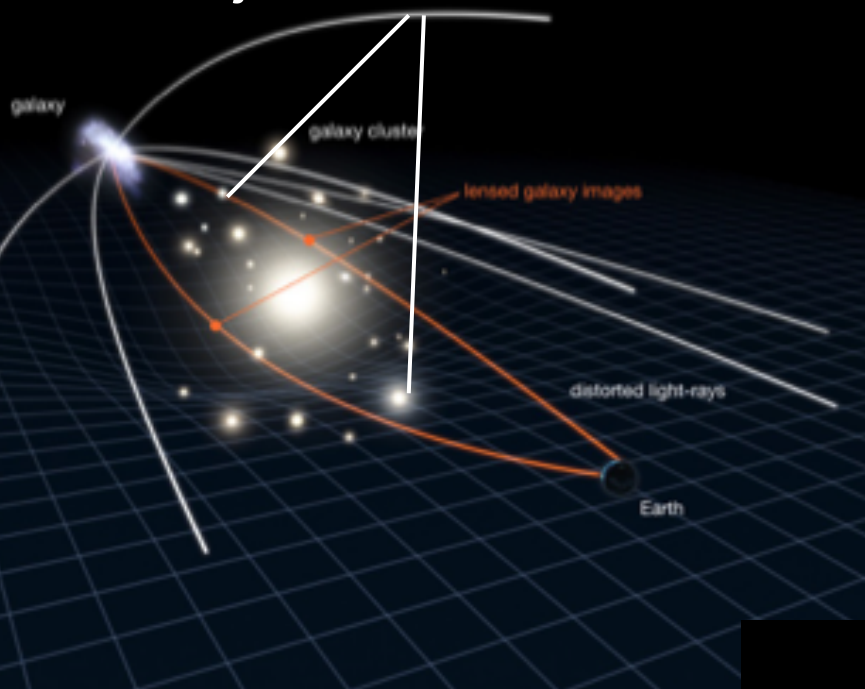


- 40% of subhalos in 0-10 kpc destroyed by interaction w. galaxy
- 20% “ 50-200 kpc

# Substructures vs interlopers

Subhalos & halos projected along the l.o.s both lens: who wins?

Projected l.o.s halos

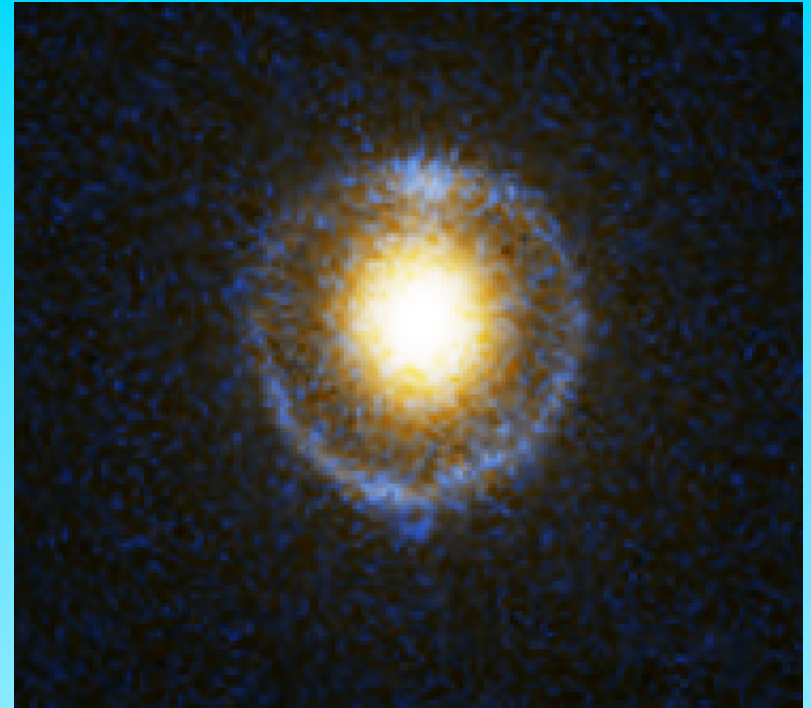


The number of line-of-sight haloes is larger than that of subhaloes

Two key considerations:

- The central galaxy can destroy subhalos
- Line-of-sight projected halos also lens

Answer:



- Central galaxy destroys ~40% of halos within Einstein ring (Sawala et al. '17)
- Projected halos dominate the strong lensing signal (Li et al '16)



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→ This is the **cleanest** possible **test**: it depends **ONLY** on the small-mass end of the “field” halo mass function which we know how to calculate and is **unaffected** by **baryons**

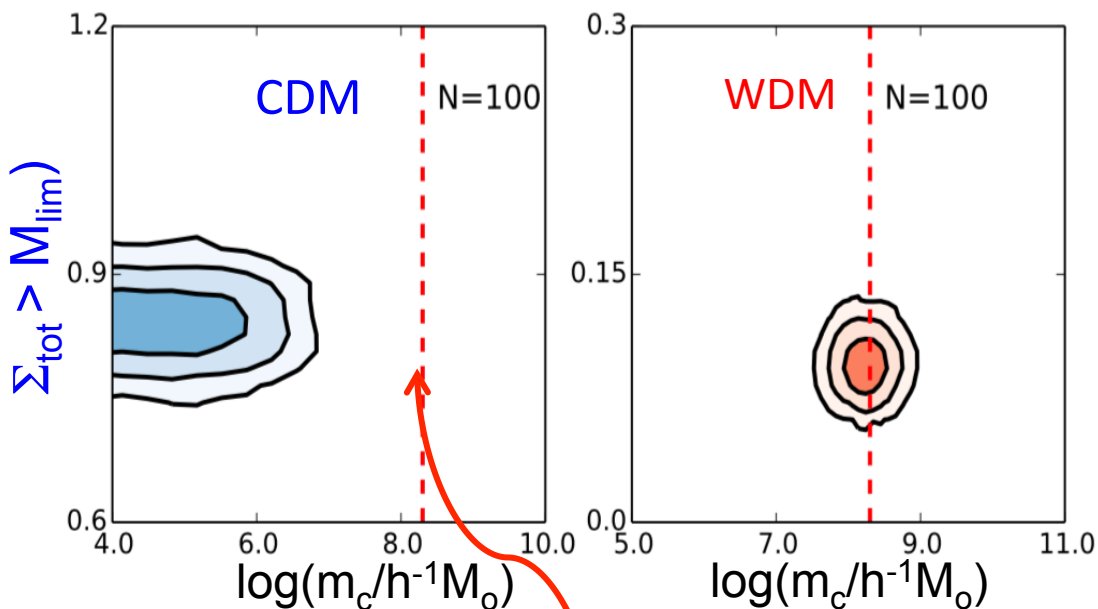
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$\Sigma_{\text{tot}}$  = projected halo number density within Einstein ring

$m_c$  = halo cutoff mass

100 Einstein ring systems and detection limit:  $m_{\text{low}} = 10^7 h^{-1} M_\odot$

Detection limit =  $10^7 h^{-1} M_\odot$



- If DM is 7 keV sterile  $\nu \rightarrow$  **exclude** CDM at  $\gg \sigma$ !
- If DM is CDM  $\rightarrow$  **exclude** 7 keV sterile  $\nu$  at  $\gg \sigma$

$m_c$  = halo cutoff mass

$m_c = 1.3 \times 10^8 h^{-1} M_\odot$  for coldest 7 keV sterile neutrino



# Conclusions

- $\Lambda$ CDM: great **success** on scales  $> 1\text{Mpc}$ : CMB, LSS, gal evolution
- But on these scales  **$\Lambda$ CDM** cannot be distinguished from **WDM**
- The **identity** of the DM makes a big difference on **small scales**

1. Counting faint galaxies **cannot** distinguish CDM/WDM
2. Halos  $< \sim 5 \cdot 10^8 M_\odot$  are dark; halos  $> 10^{10} M_\odot$  are bright  
(abundance matching fails for halos  $< 10^{10} M_\odot$ )
3. Distortions of **strong** gravitational **lenses** offer a **clean test** of CDM vs WDM  $\rightarrow$  and can potentially **rule out** CDM!