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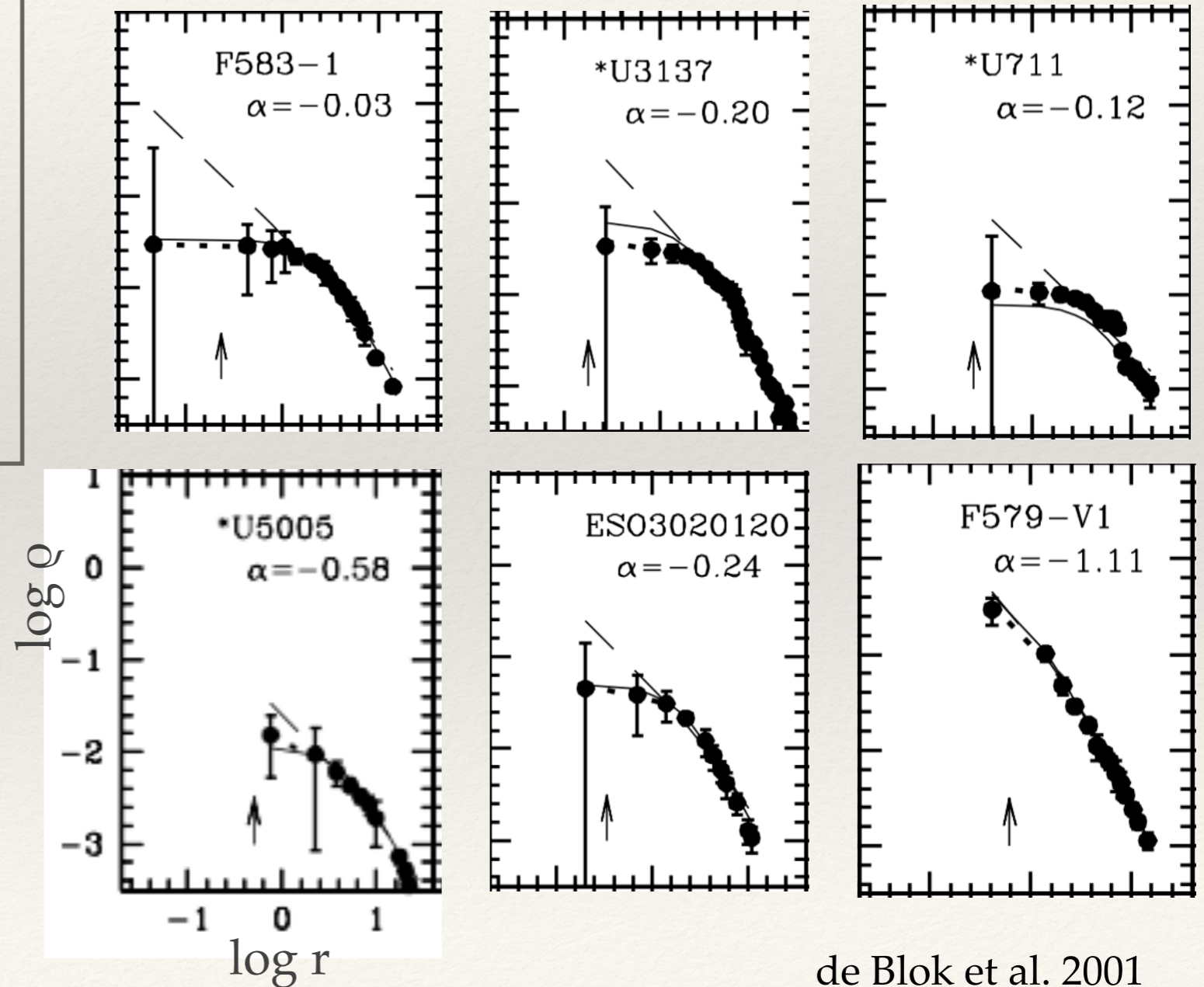
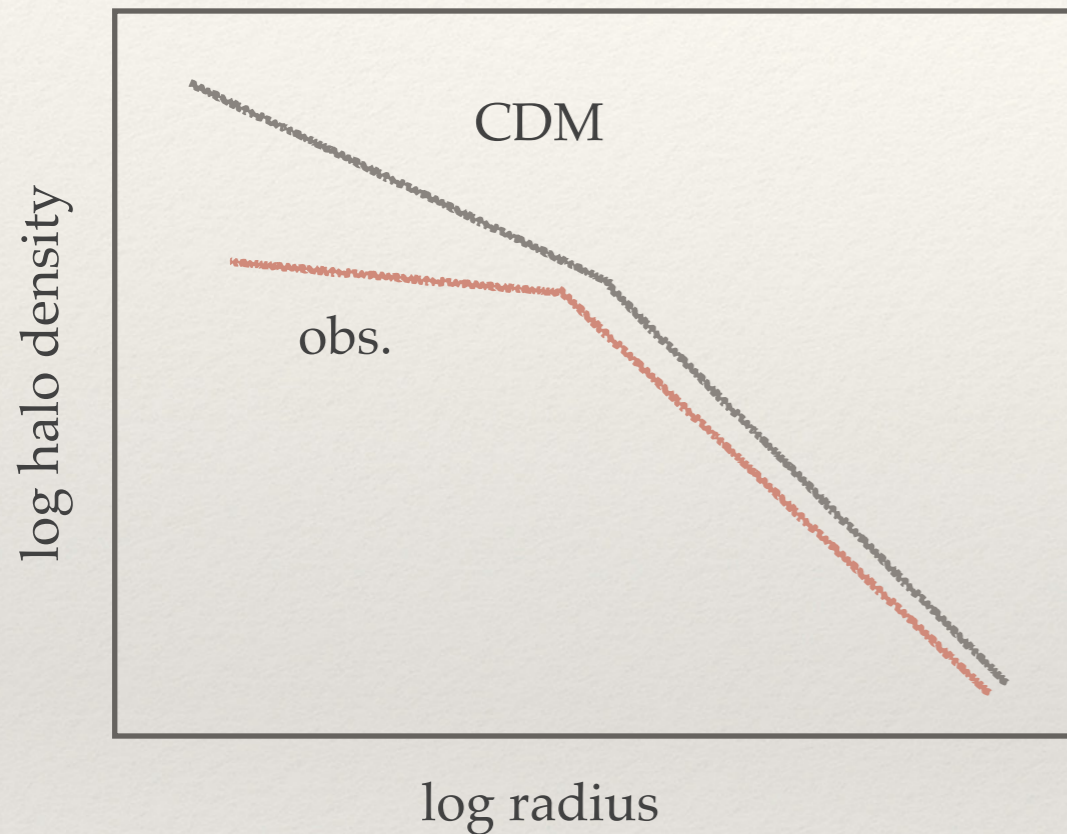
# Cosmology of flavor-mixed dark matter

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M. Medvedev, KU & MIT

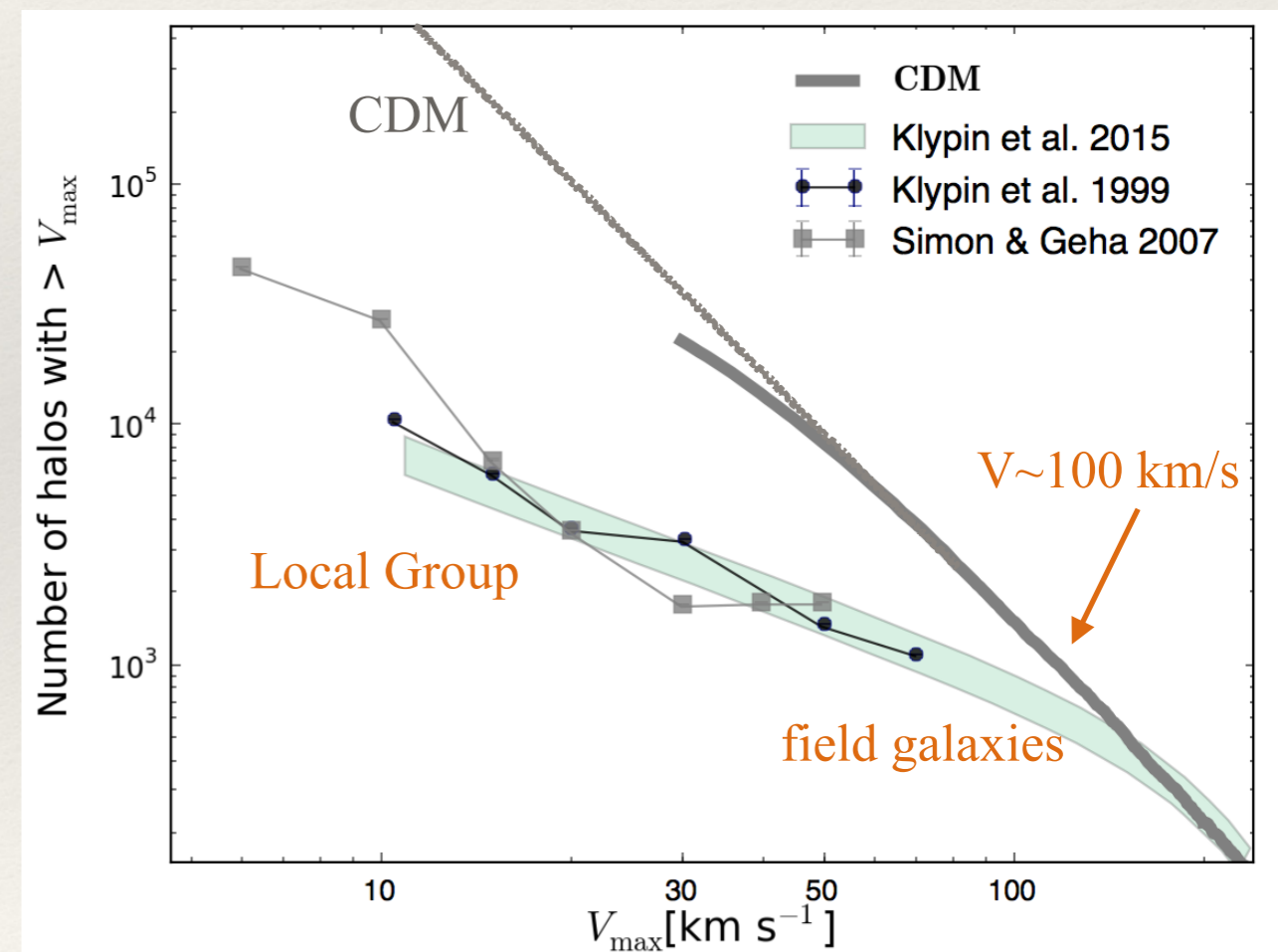
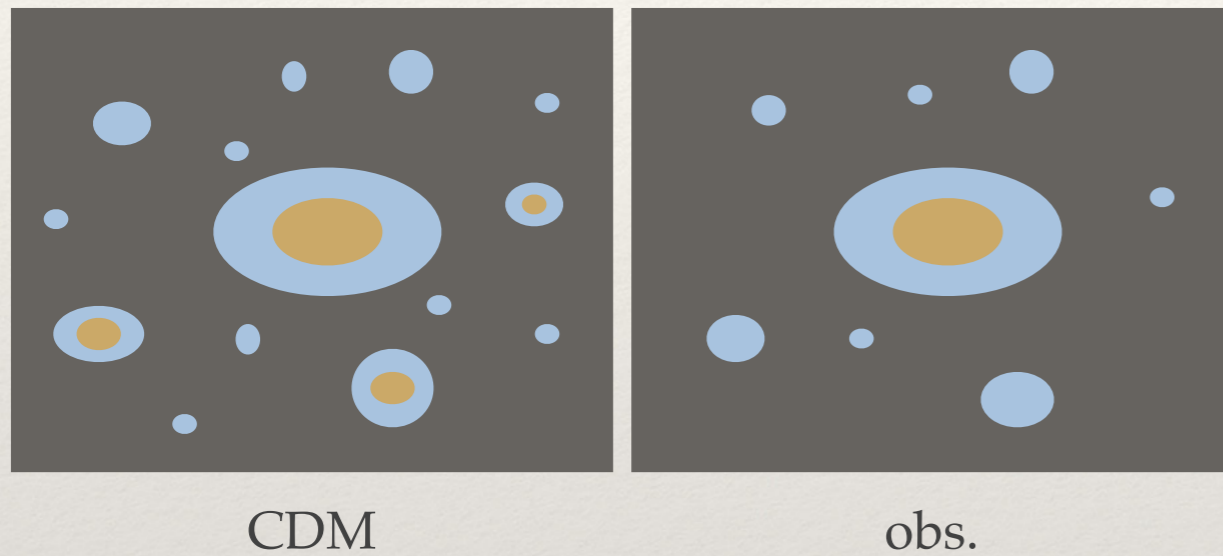
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- core / cusp problem



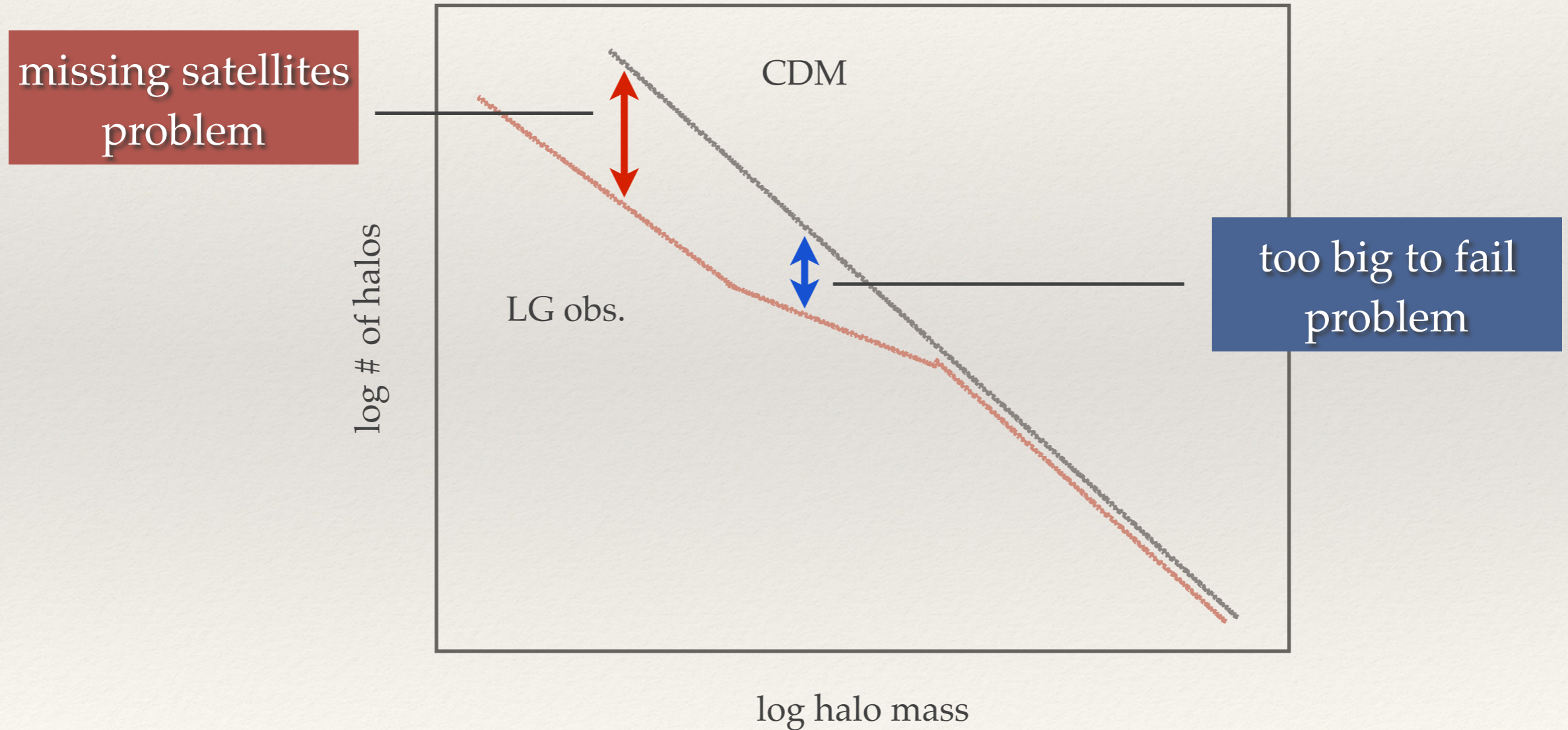
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- substructure problem  
(missing satellites)



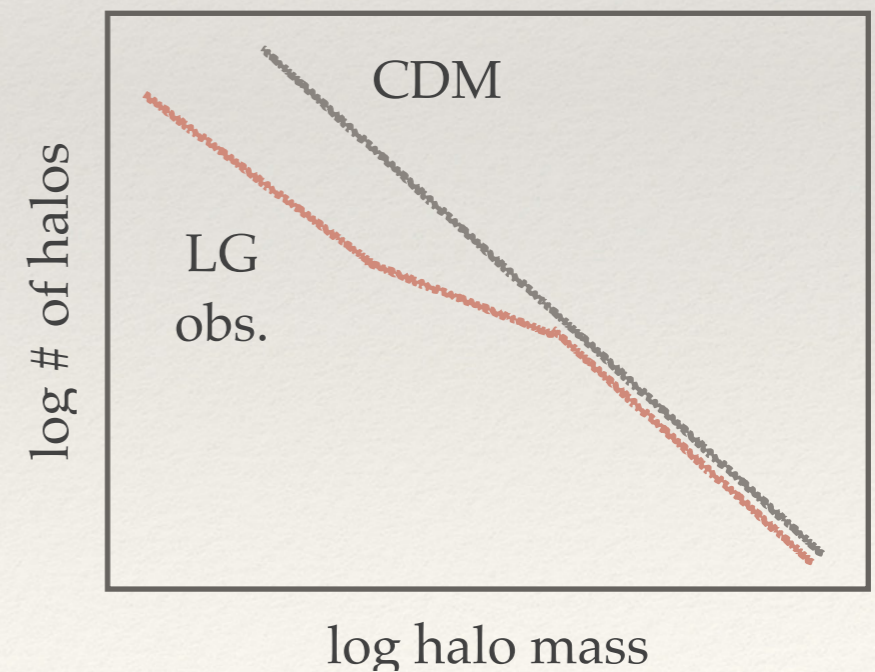
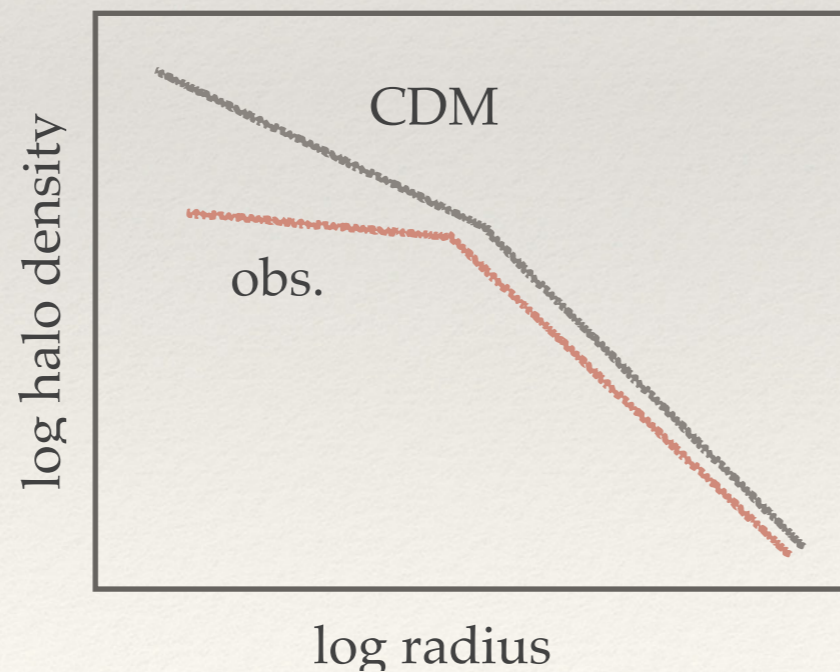
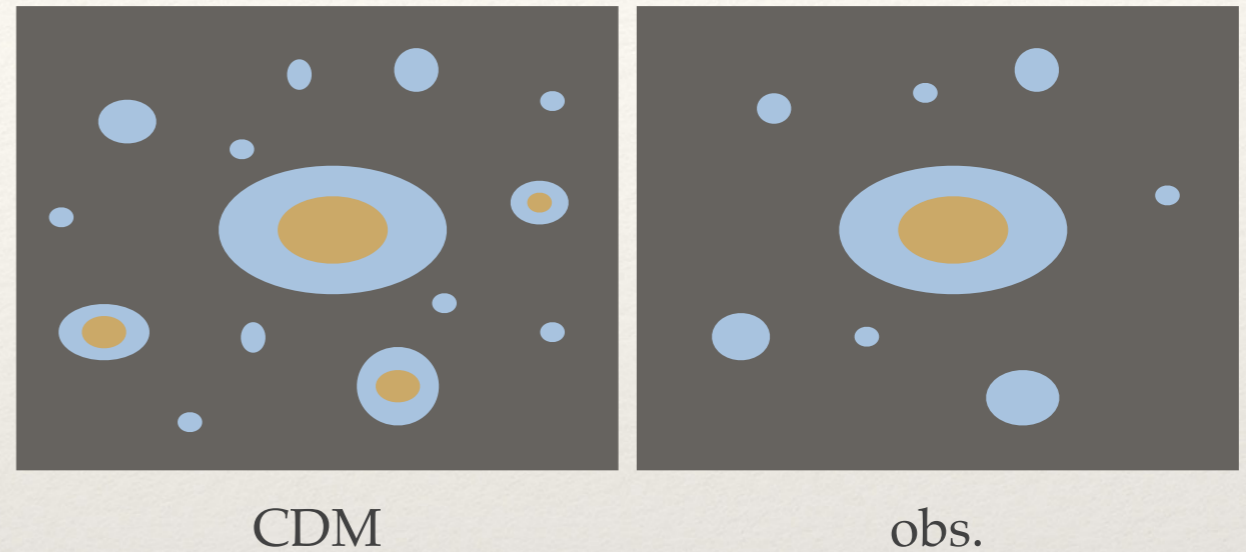
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- too-big-to-fail problem



# Cosmic Web: Small Scale Structure (SSS) - problems

- core / cusp problem
- substructure problem (missing satellites)
- too-big-to-fail problem



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# WIMP miracle

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## Traditional Cold Dark Matter paradigm

*WIMP miracle*

-- mass ~ hundreds GeV - few TeV

-- weak cross-section ~  $10^{-37}$  cm<sup>2</sup>

$$\Omega \propto \frac{1}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \propto \left( \frac{g_h^4}{m_h^2} \right)^{-1}$$

*seems to fail*

*or, at least, many scenarios ruled out*

-- direct detection experiments push cross-section by orders of magnitude to  $< 10^{-44-45}$  cm<sup>2</sup>



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# Possible solutions

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- **Baryonic physics**
  - NS, BH feedback
  - outflows
  - star formation
  - CR, turbulence
  
- **Dark Matter physics**

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  - NS, BH feedback
  - outflows
  - star formation
  - CR, turbulence

inconclusive  
(or need too strong feedback)

- **Dark Matter physics**

- large  $\sigma$  in dark sector
- multi-flavor \*

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\* naturally,  $N$ -component flavor-mixed DM (named *a la* Pontecorvo model of neutrinos)

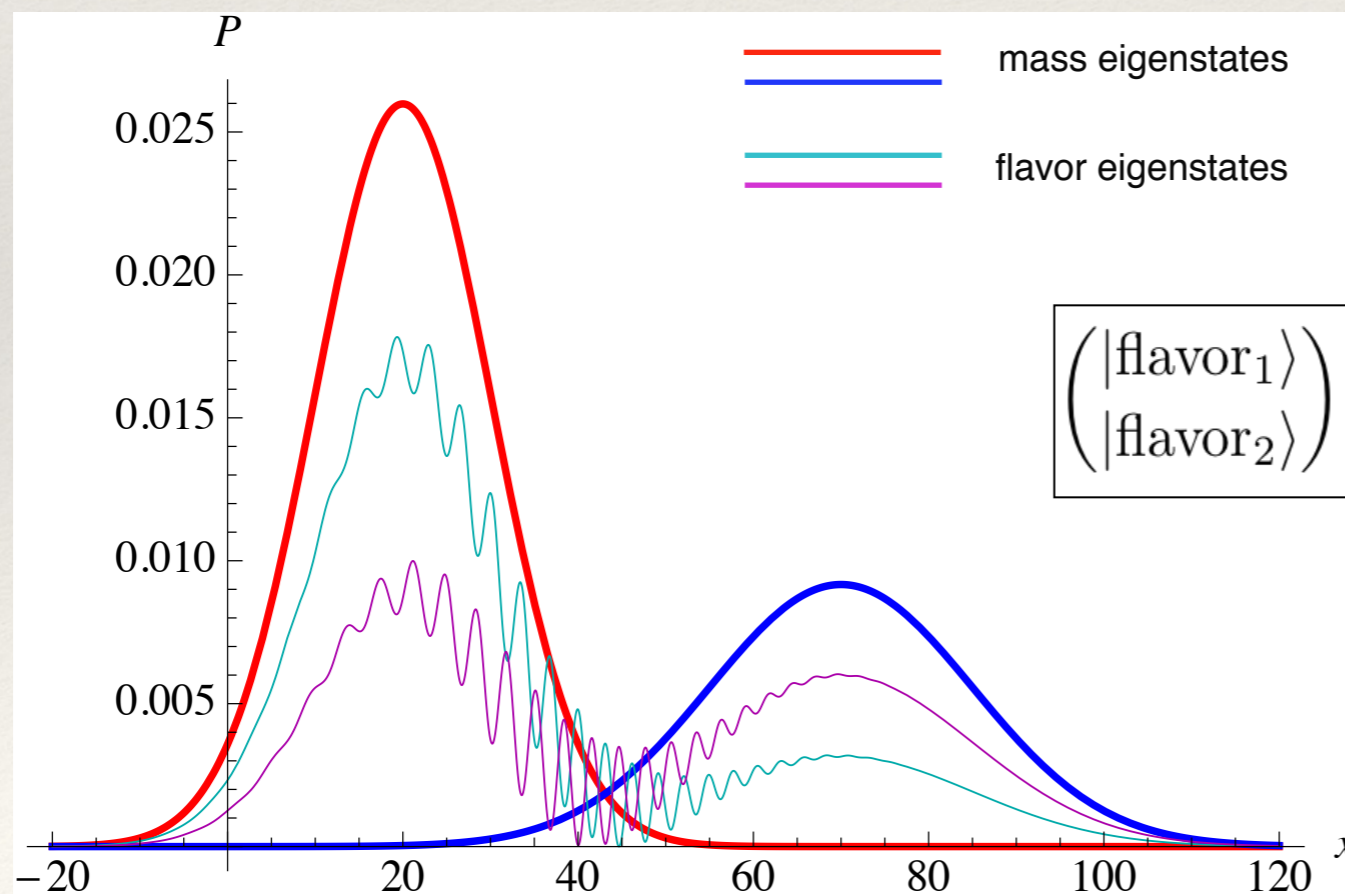


# 2-component mixed particle

B. Pontecorvo (1957)

Interactions do not care about propagation (mass) eigenstates;

Propagation does not care about interaction (flavor) eigenstates.



$$\begin{pmatrix} |\text{flavor}_1\rangle \\ |\text{flavor}_2\rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} |\text{mass}_{\text{heavy}}\rangle \\ |\text{mass}_{\text{light}}\rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

# Illustrative model

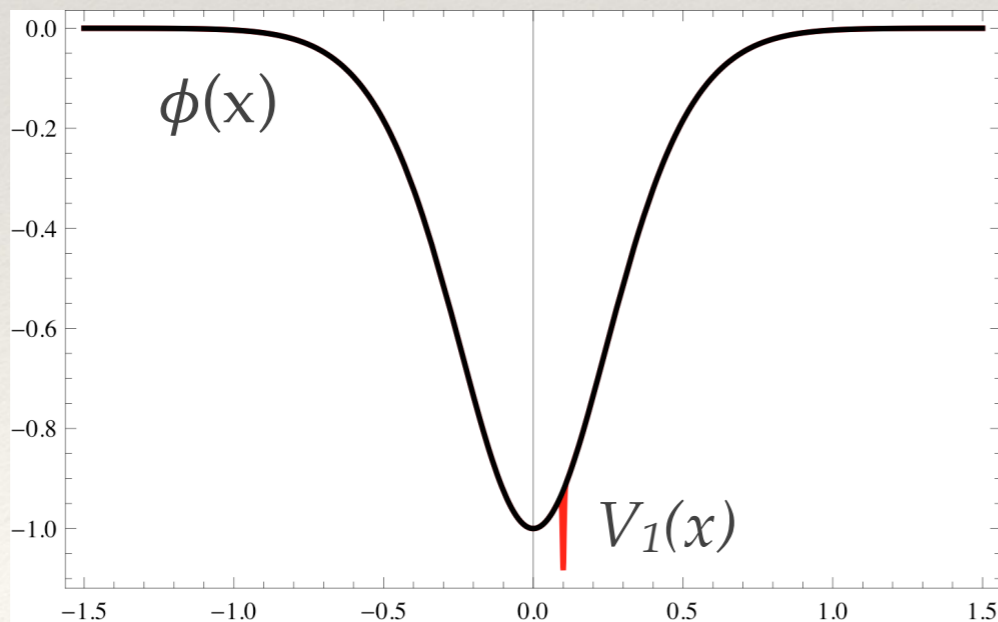
Schrödinger equation

$$i\partial_t \begin{pmatrix} m_h(x, t) \\ m_l(x, t) \end{pmatrix} = \left[ \begin{pmatrix} -\partial_{xx}^2/2m_h & 0 \\ 0 & -\partial_{xx}^2/2m_l - \Delta m \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} m_h\phi(x) & 0 \\ 0 & m_l\phi(x) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} V_{hh} & V_{hl} \\ V_{lh} & V_{ll} \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} m_h(x, t) \\ m_l(x, t) \end{pmatrix}$$

$H_{free}$

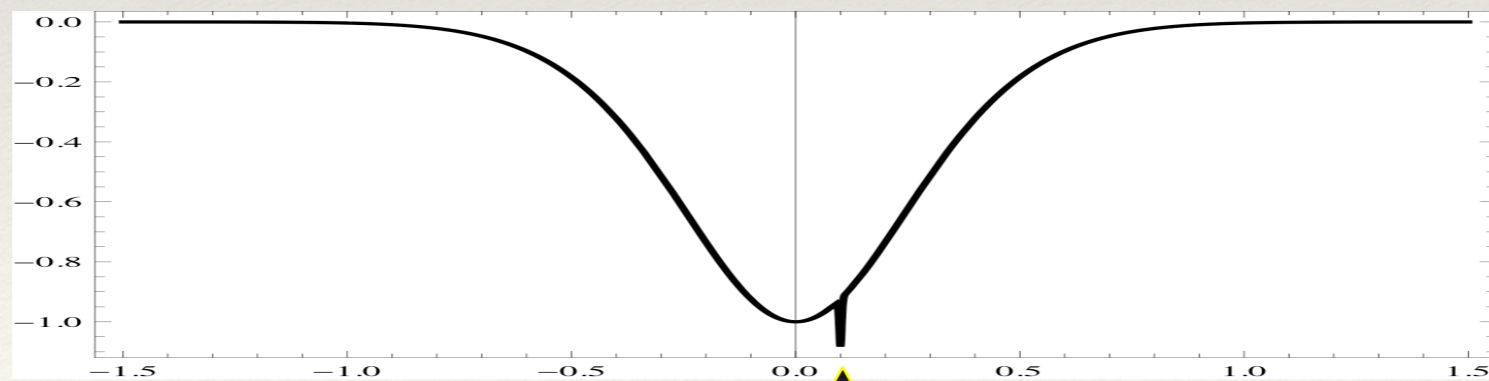
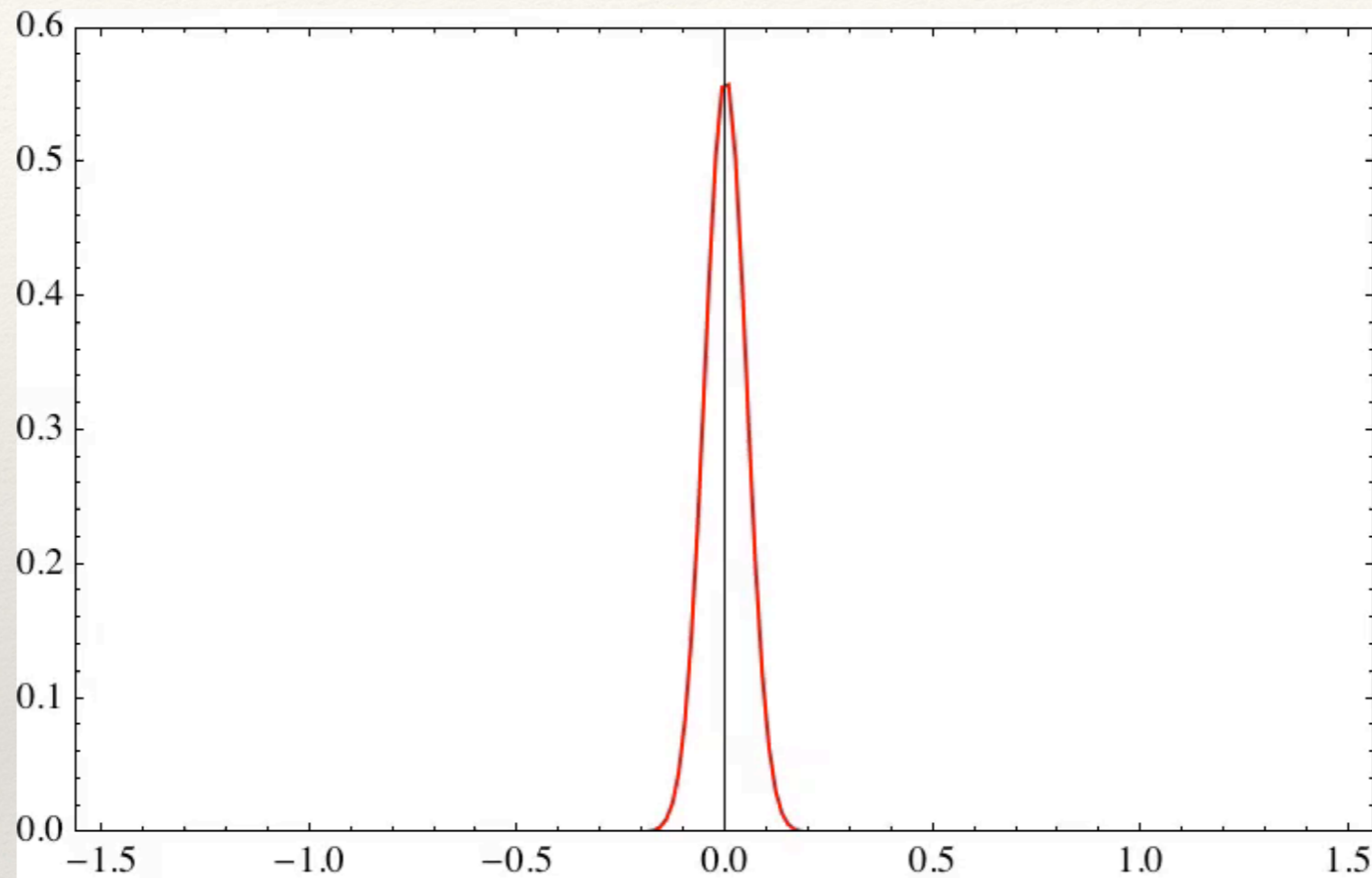
$H_{grav}$

$V$



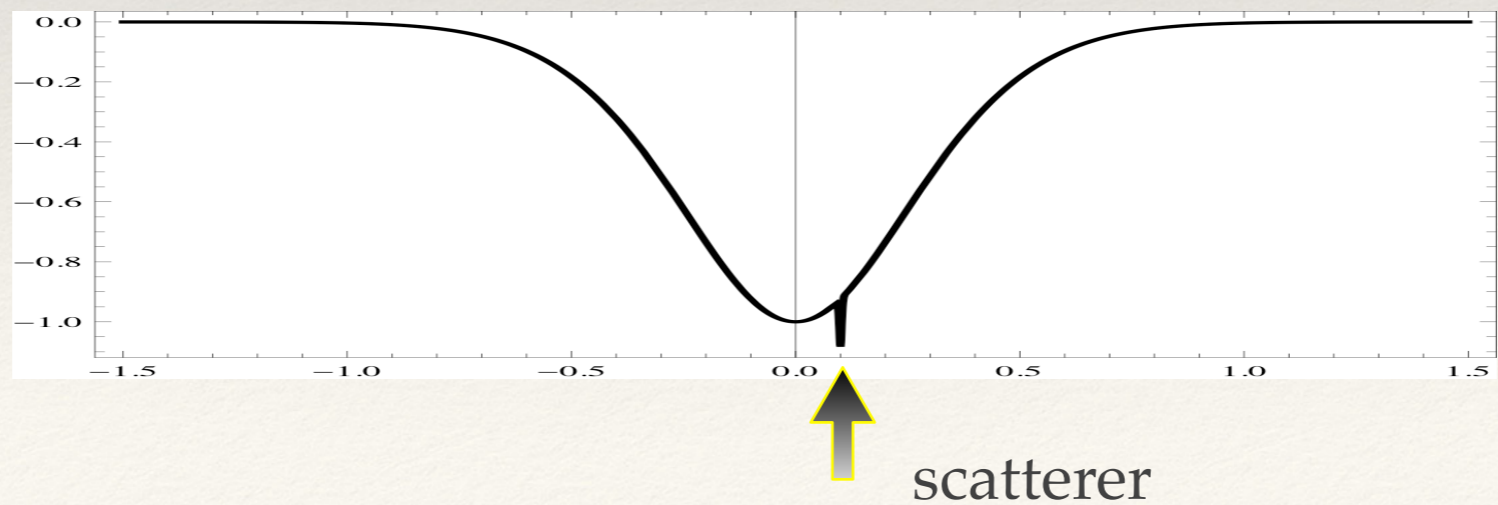
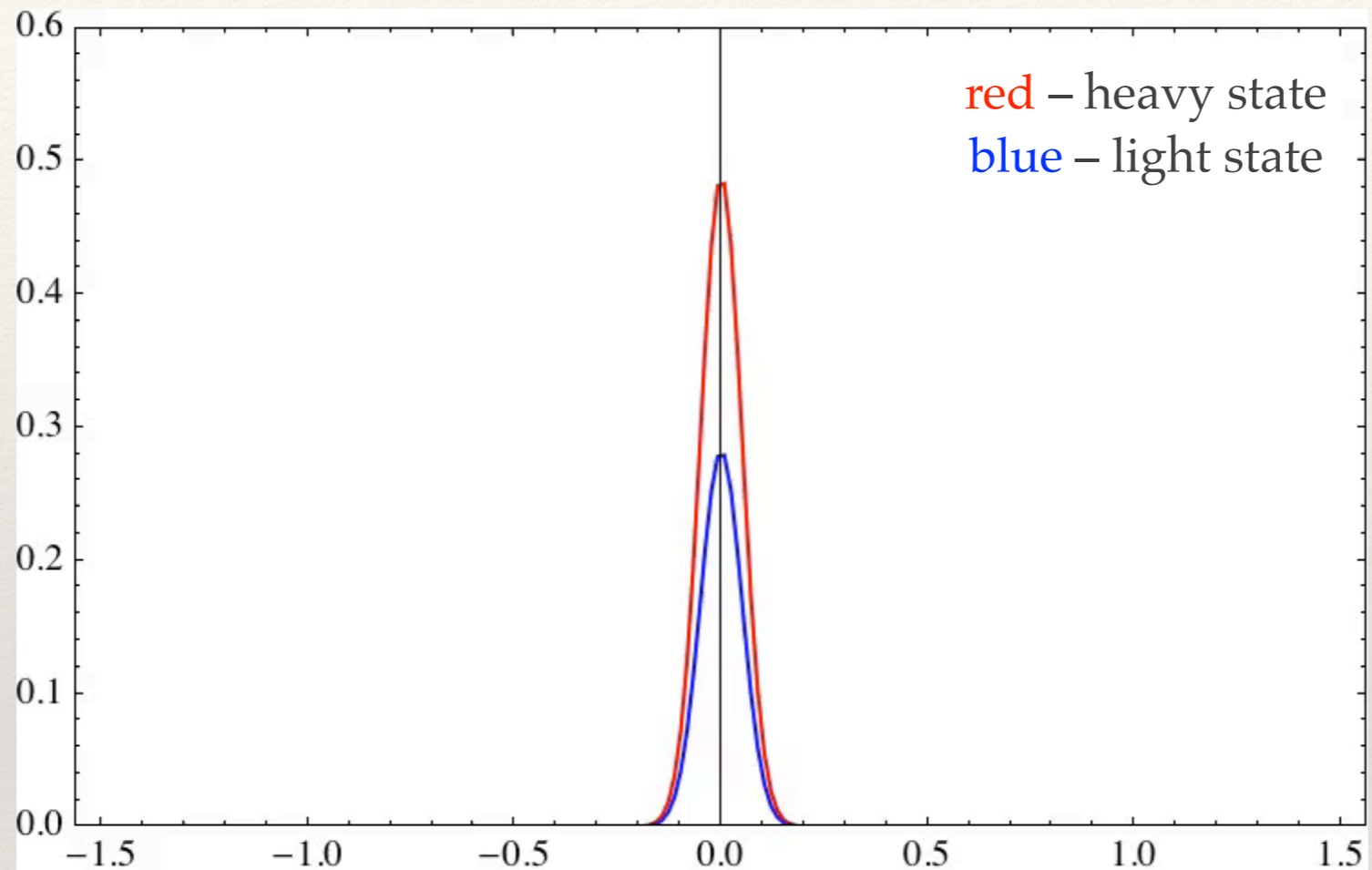
$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{hh} & V_{hl} \\ V_{lh} & V_{ll} \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} V_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} U^\dagger$$

# No flavor mixing case



scatterer

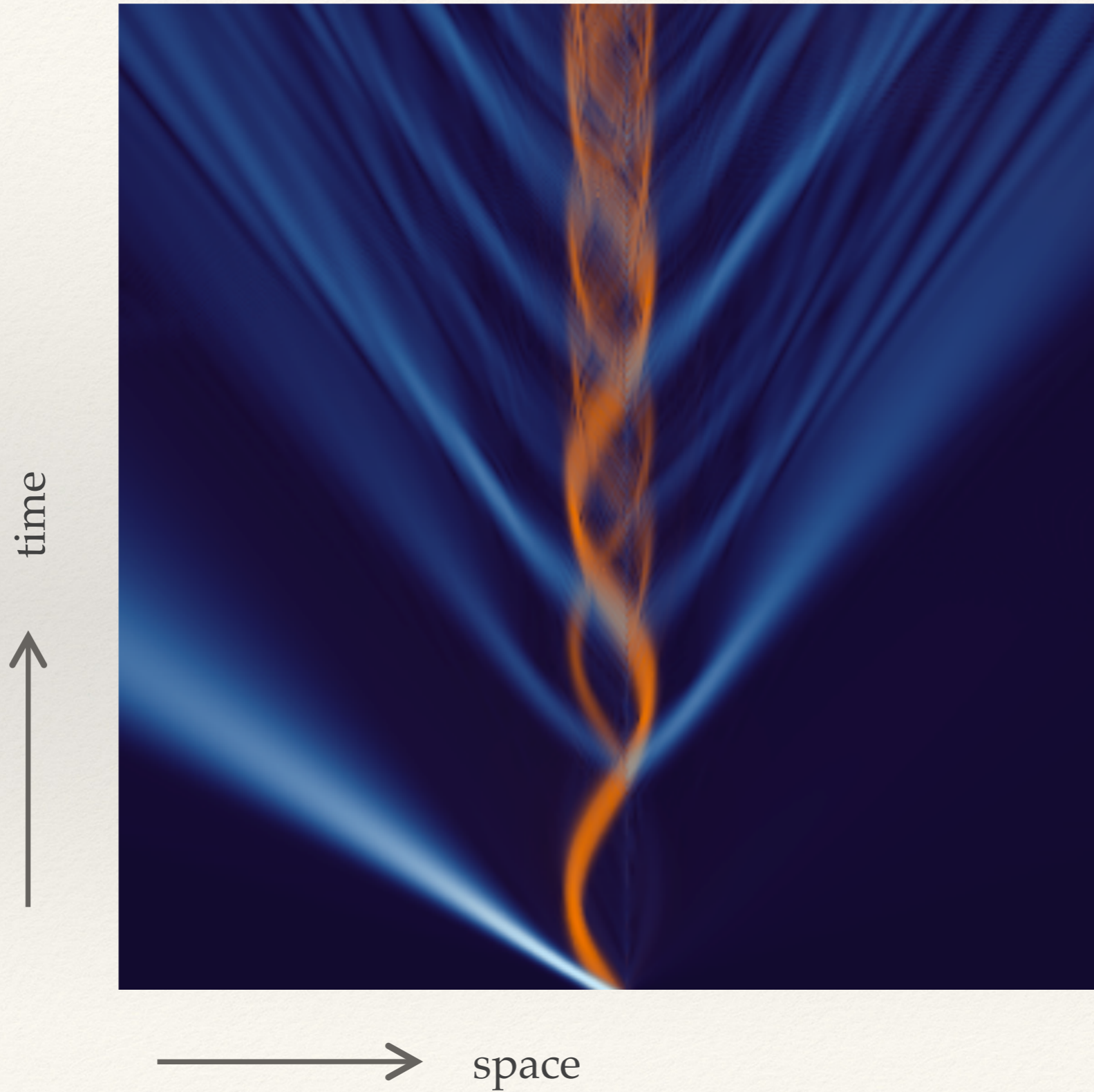
# With flavor mixing



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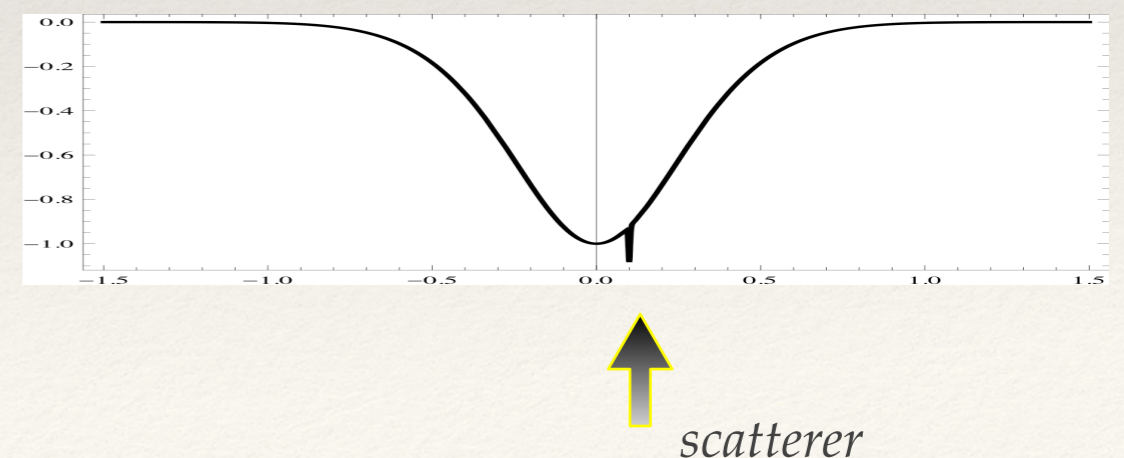
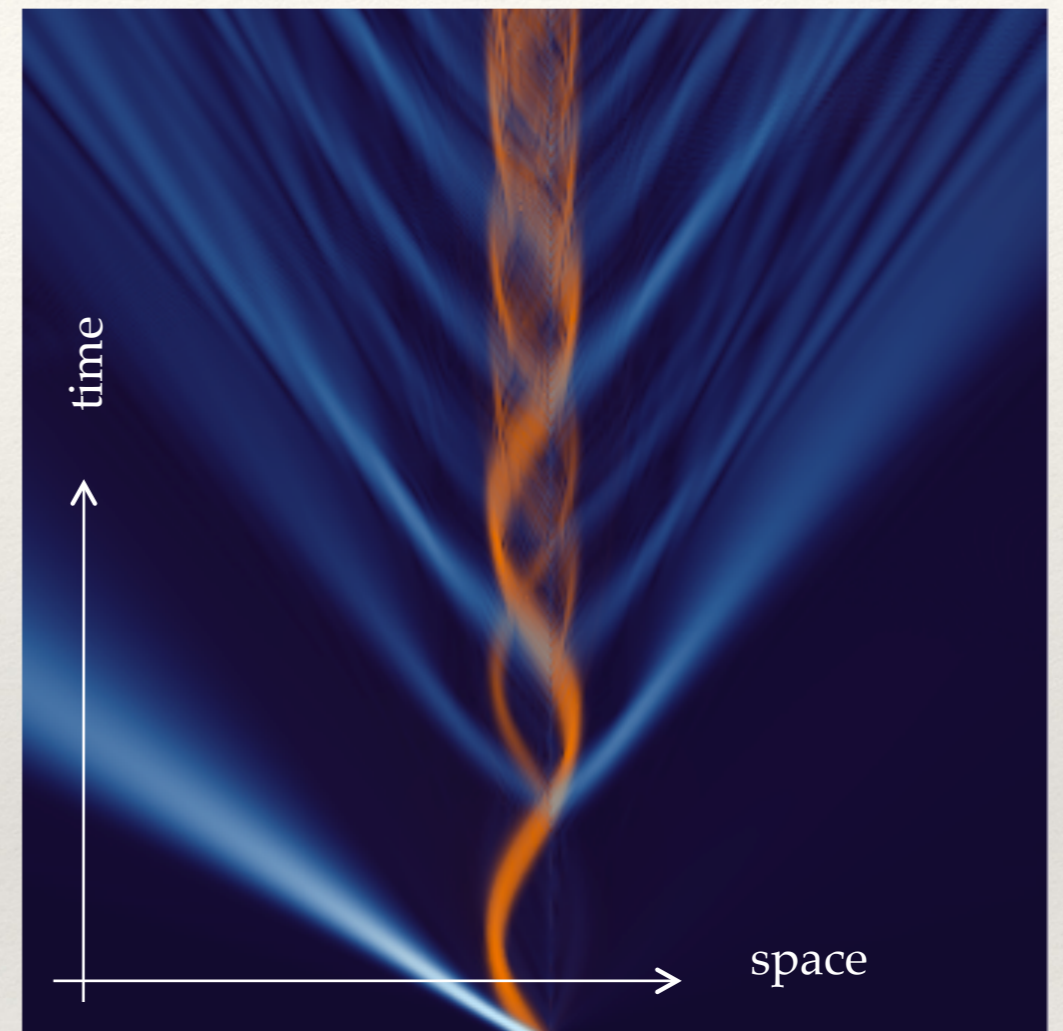
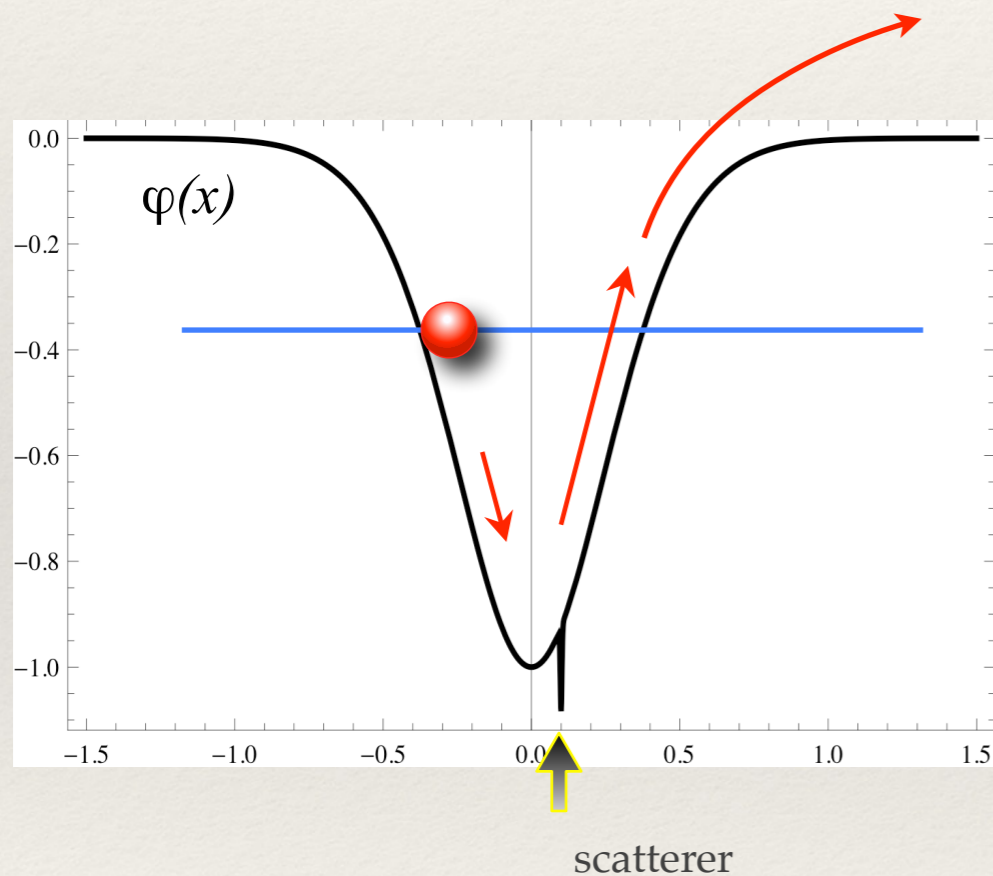
# Space-Time diagram

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# Quantum evaporation - the “Münchhausen effect”

Particle gradual escape from a gravitational potential (in "elastic" collisions) without changing particle's identity



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# “Münchhausen effect”

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Baron von Münchhausen lifted himself (and his horse) out of the mud by pulling on his own pigtail.

It is one of the “true” stories from *“The Surprising Adventures of Baron Munchhausen”* by R.E. Raspe

# Flavor-mixed $N$ cDM model (2cDM)

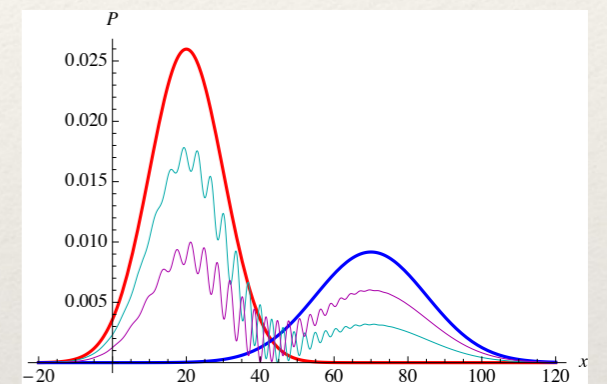
/  $N$ -component flavor-mixed DM with  $N=2$  (2cDM) - simplest /

## Postulates

(i) Dark Matter — stable  $N$ -component mixed particles

Neutralinos  
Sterile neutrinos  
Axion+photon

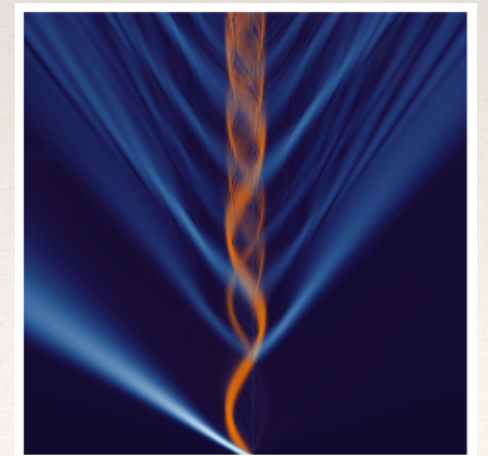
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(ii) DM halos — self-gravitating ensembles of mass eigenstates  $|h\rangle, |l\rangle$

(iii) Quantum evaporation of DM mass eigenstates

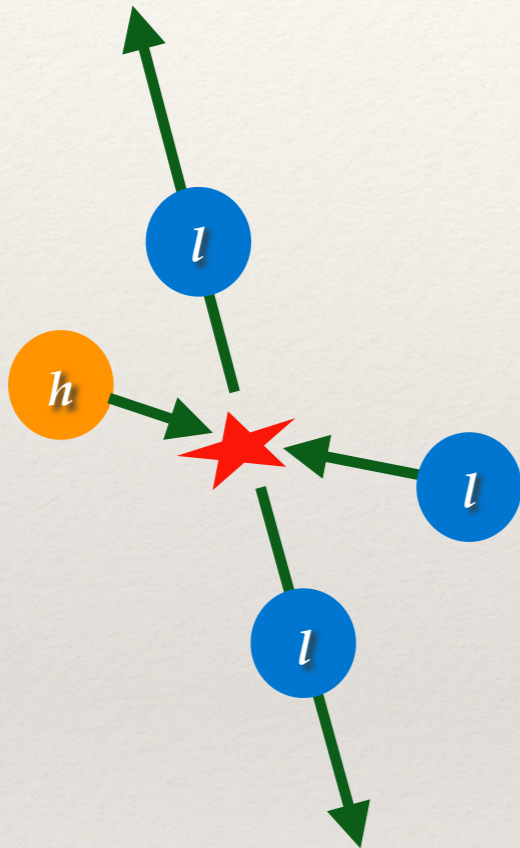
$$|h\rangle + |l\rangle \rightarrow |l\rangle + |l\rangle$$





# 2cDM kinematics

example:  $|h\rangle + |l\rangle \rightarrow |l\rangle + |l\rangle$



$$\left| \begin{aligned} p_h + p_l &= 0 = p'_l + p'_l \\ (m_h^2 c^4 + p_l^2 c^2)^{1/2} + (m_l^2 c^4 + p_l^2 c^2)^{1/2} &= 2(m_l^2 c^4 + p_l'^2 c^2)^{1/2} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$\Delta m/m \ll 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta v = v' - v &\simeq [(\Delta m/m)c^2 + v^2]^{1/2} - v \\ &\simeq \begin{cases} v_k, & \text{if } v \ll v_k, \\ \frac{1}{2}v_k^2/v, & \text{if } v \gg v_k, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

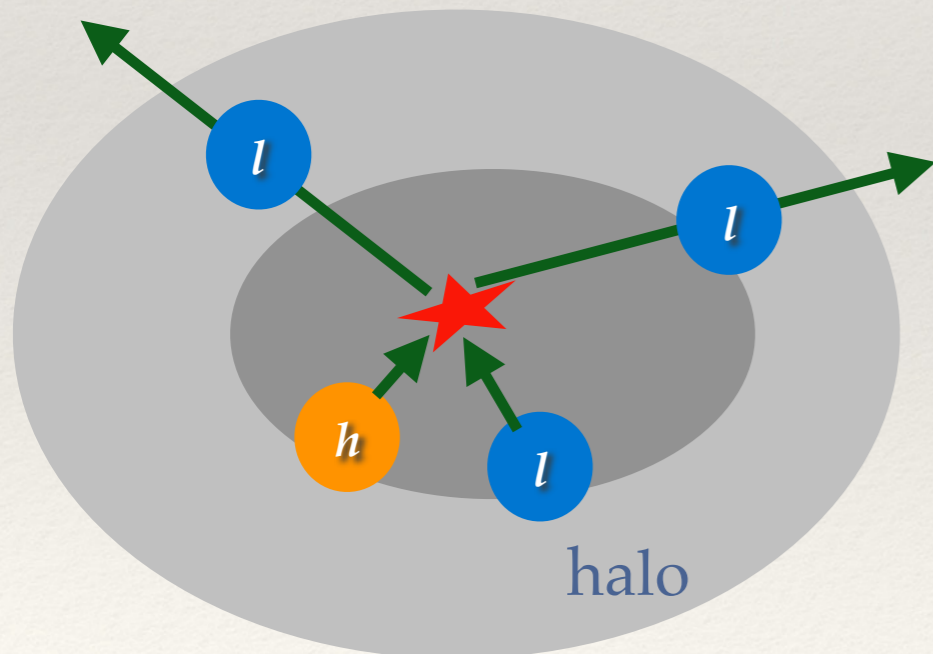
*"kick" velocity:  $v_k = c (\Delta m/m_l)^{1/2}$*

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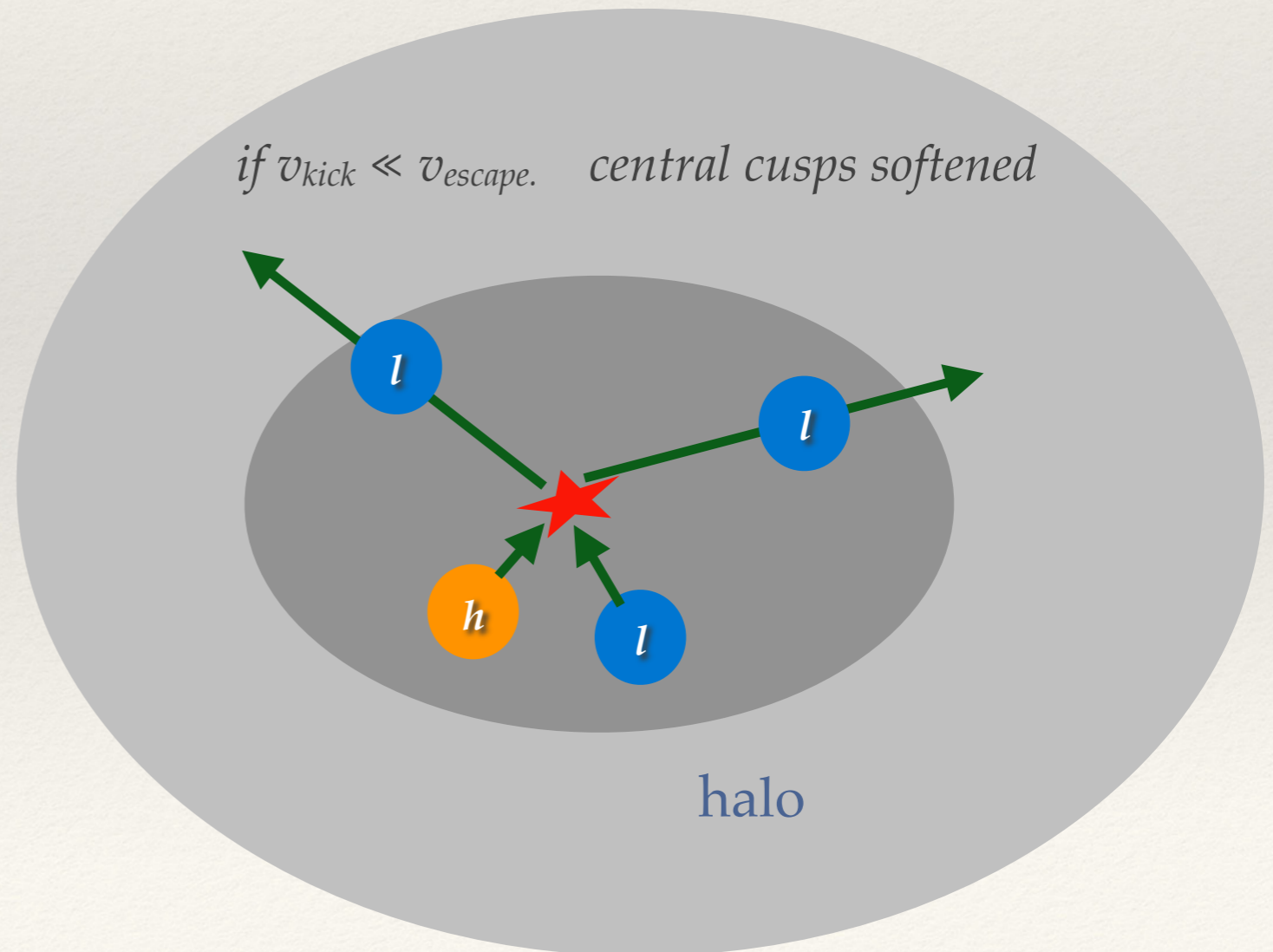
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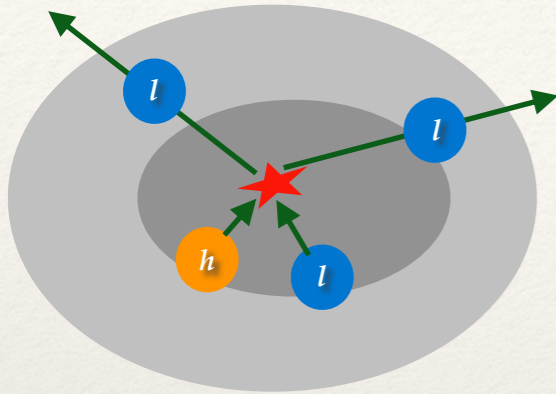
if  $v_{kick} \gg v_{escape}$ . dwarf halos destroyed



if  $v_{kick} \ll v_{escape}$ . central cusps softened



# Do halos evaporate completely?



abundance evolution eqns.  $\dot{n}_h = -(\sigma_{hh}v) n_h^2 - (\sigma_{hl}v) n_h n_l,$   
 $\dot{n}_l = -(\sigma_{hl}v) n_h n_l,$

then  $\frac{dn_h}{dn_l} = \frac{\sigma_{hh} n_h}{\sigma_{hl} n_l} + 1$

solution  $\frac{n_h(t)}{n_{h,0}} = \left( \frac{n_{l,0}/n_{h,0}}{1-R} \right) \left( \frac{n_l(t)}{n_{l,0}} \right) + \left( 1 - \frac{n_{l,0}/n_{h,0}}{1-R} \right) \left( \frac{n_l(t)}{n_{l,0}} \right)^R$

$R = \sigma_{hh}/\sigma_{hl}$

asymptotically  $n_h(\infty) \rightarrow 0, n_l(\infty) \rightarrow n_{l,\infty}$

$$\frac{n_{l,\infty}}{n_{l,0}} = \left[ 1 - \frac{n_{h,0}}{n_{l,0}}(1-R) \right]^{\frac{1}{1-R}}$$

complete evaporation is possible when

$$\frac{n_{l,0}}{n_{h,0}} \leq 1 - \frac{\sigma_{hh}}{\sigma_{hl}}$$

# N-body simulations

- ❖ GADGET, 50 Mpc/h box, standard  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology
- ❖ At each step:
  - ◆ Pairs of nearest neighbors are identified
  - ◆ Densities of each species are found at each particle location
  - ◆ Conversion probabilities are calculated
  - ◆ Monte-Carlo module is used for conversions
  - ◆ Energy-momentum is manifestly conserved in every interaction
- ❖ 2 free parameters:  $\sigma(v)/m$  [with  $\sigma \propto (v/v_k)^{-1}$ ] and  $\Delta m/m$  [or  $v_k = c(2\Delta m/m)^{1/2}$ ]

$$P_{s_i t_i \rightarrow s_f t_f} = (\rho_{t_i}/m_{t_i}) \sigma_{s_i t_i \rightarrow s_f t_f} |\mathbf{v}_{t_i} - \mathbf{v}_{s_i}| \Delta t \Theta(E_{s_f t_f})$$

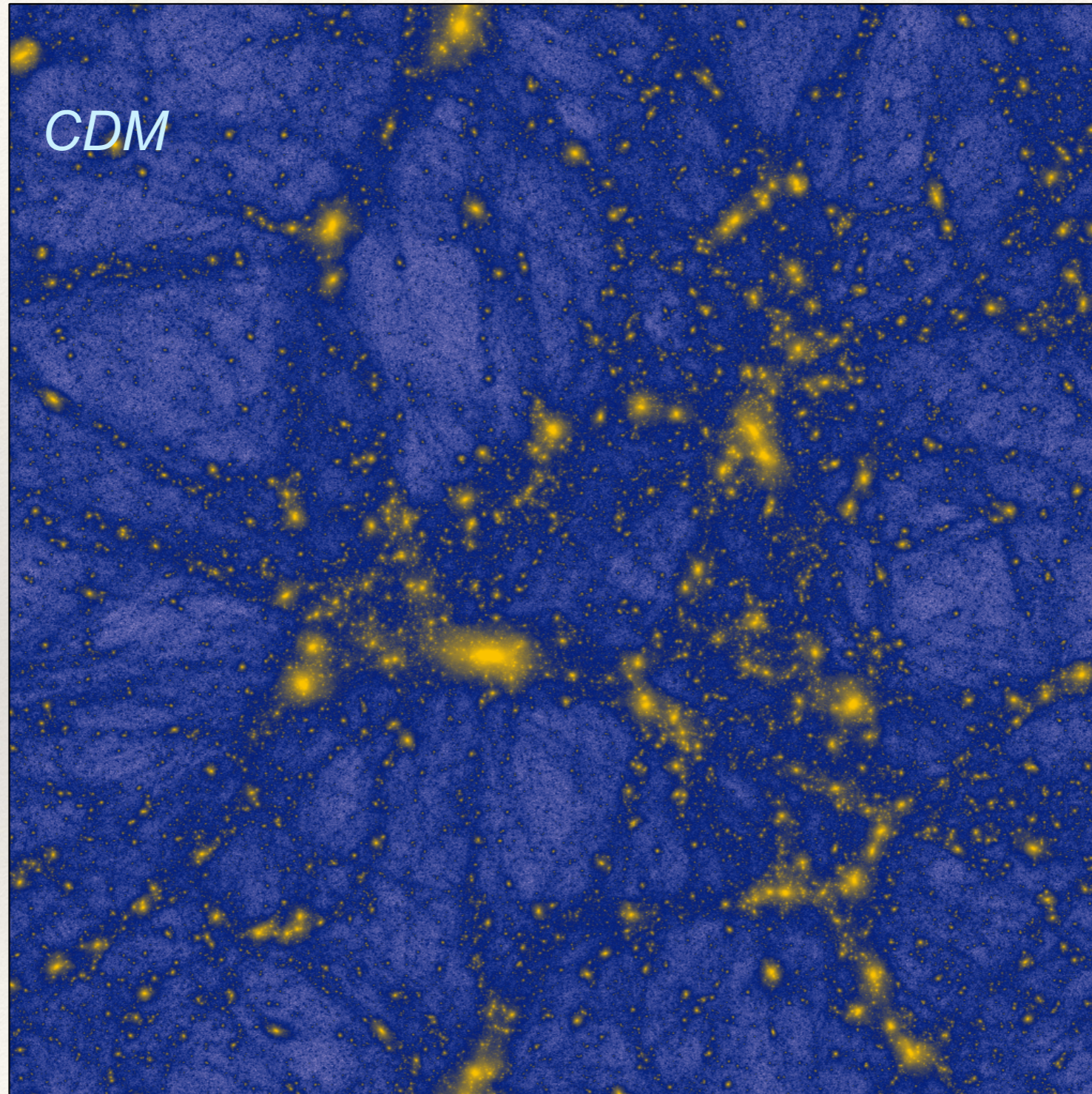
$$\sigma_{s_i t_i \rightarrow s_f t_f} = \sigma_{s_i}(v) = \sigma (v/v_0)^{-a}$$

$a = 1$

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# No change on large scales

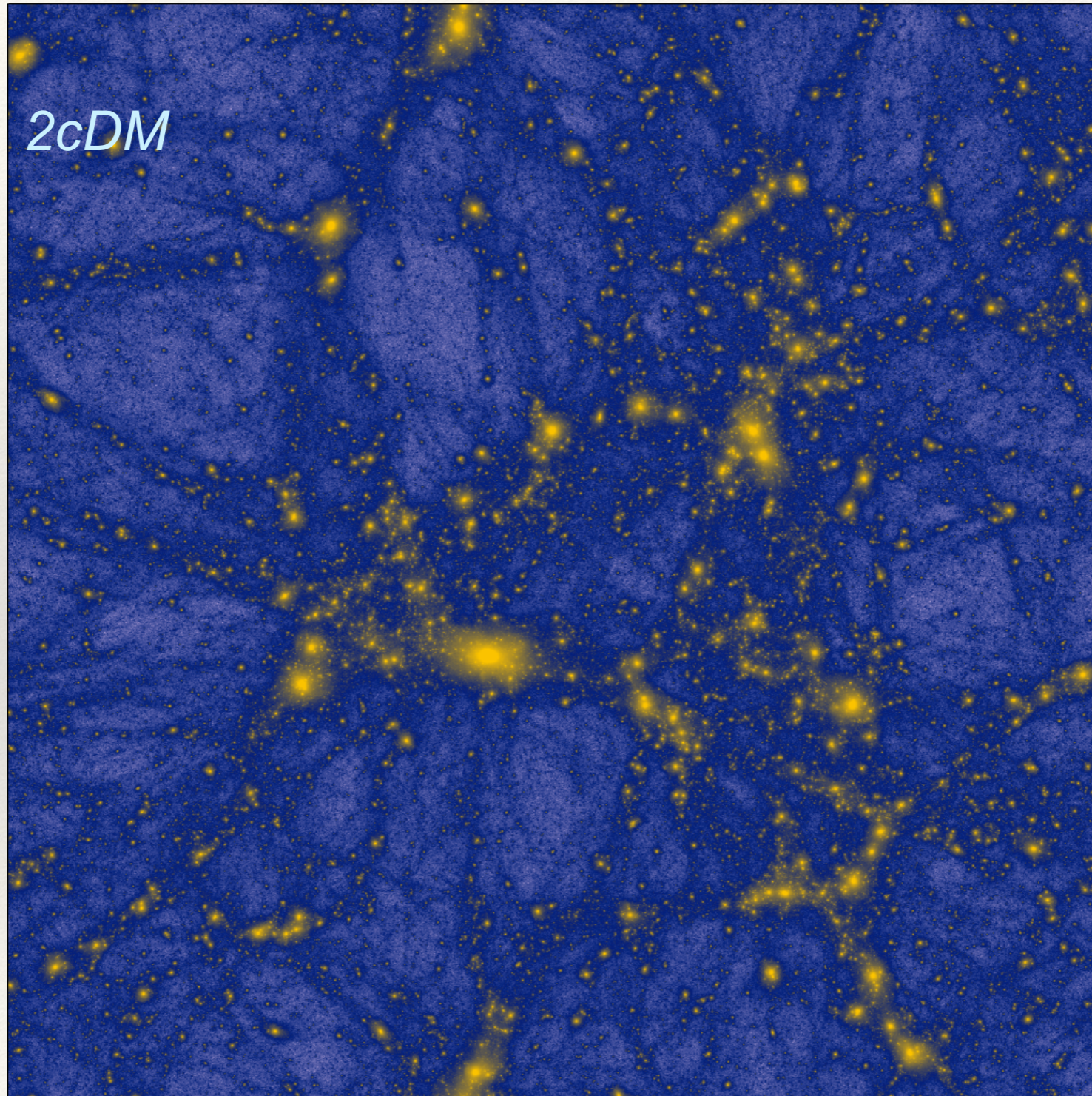
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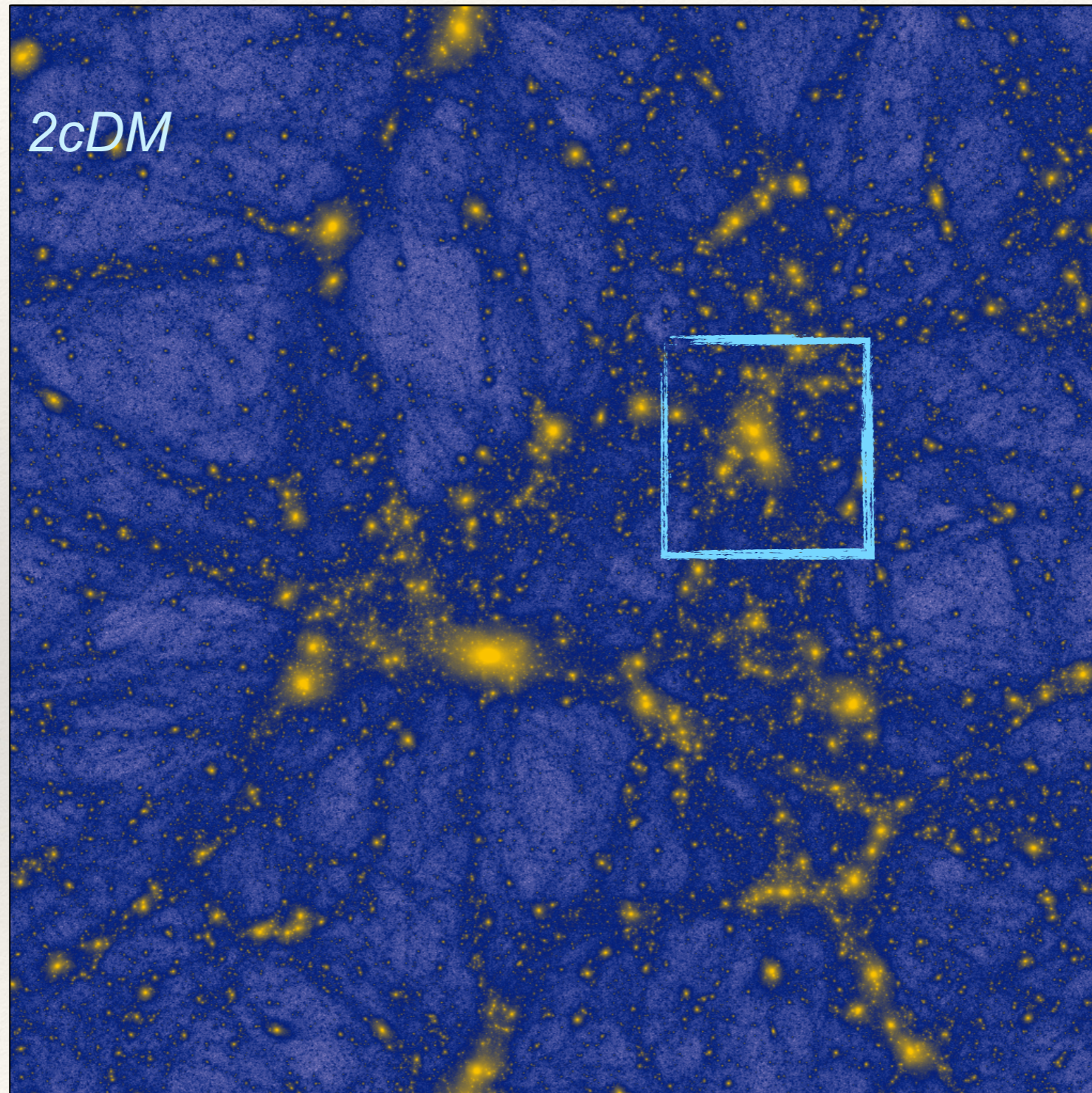
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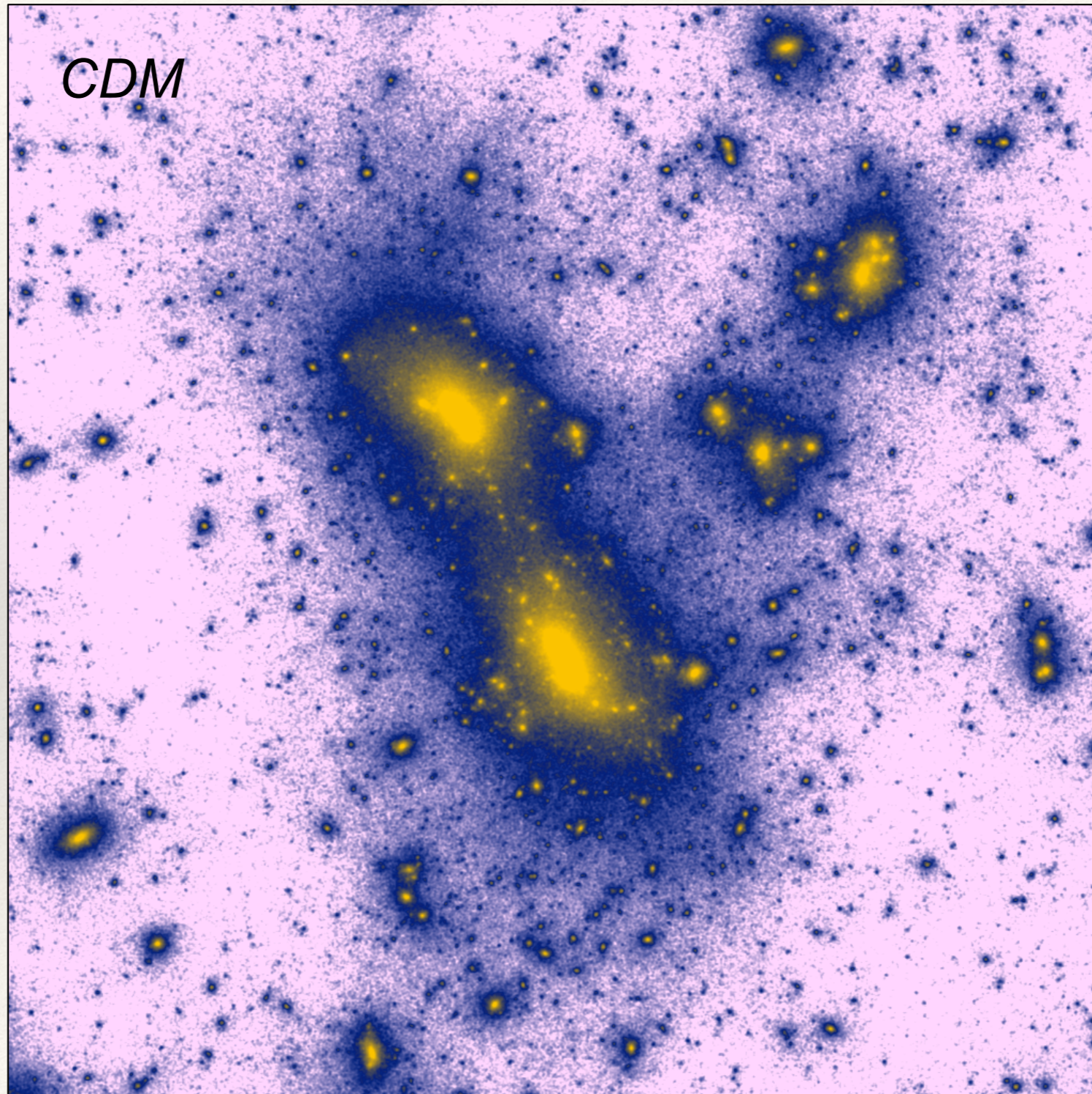
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# Less substructure on small scales

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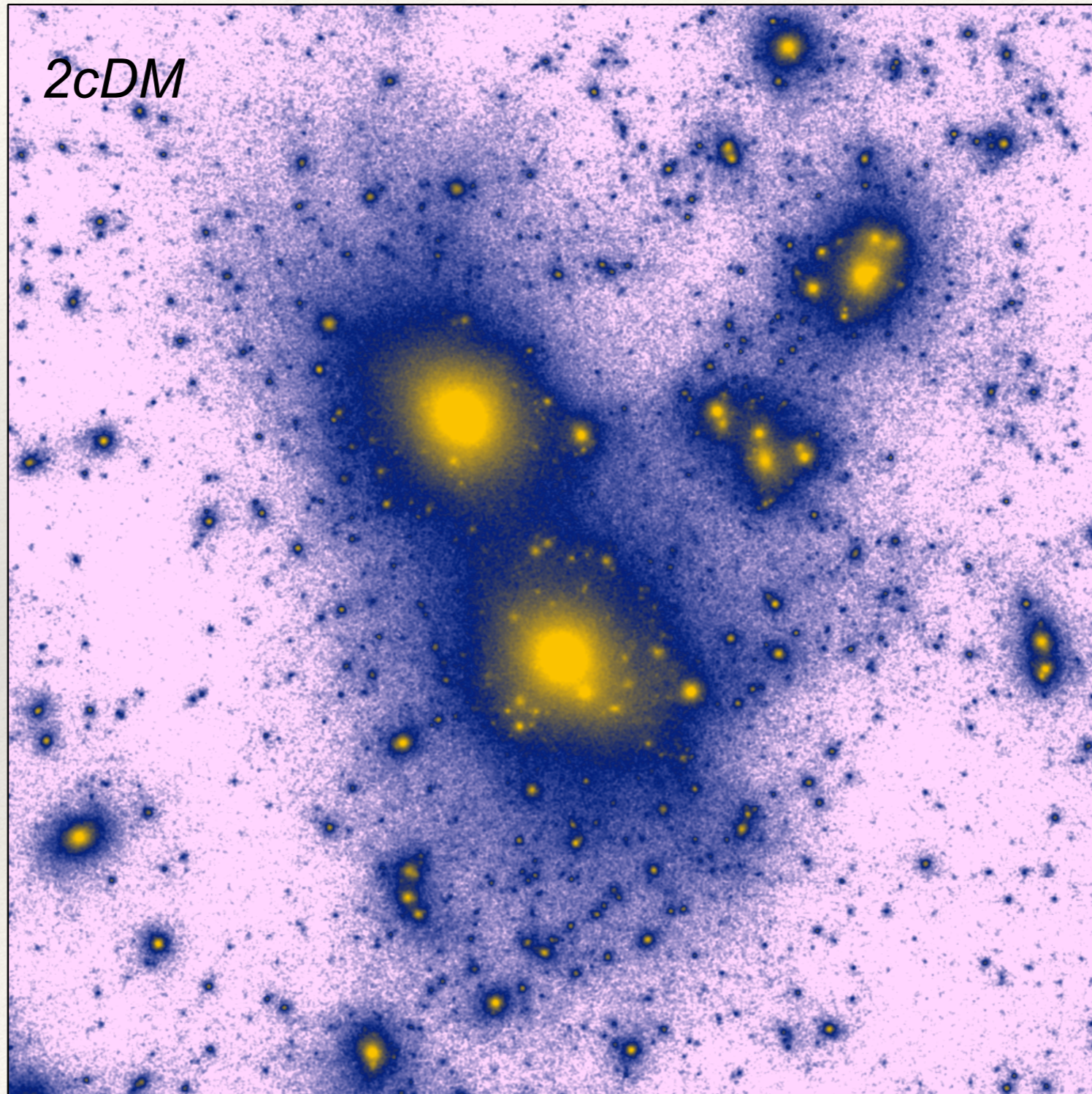




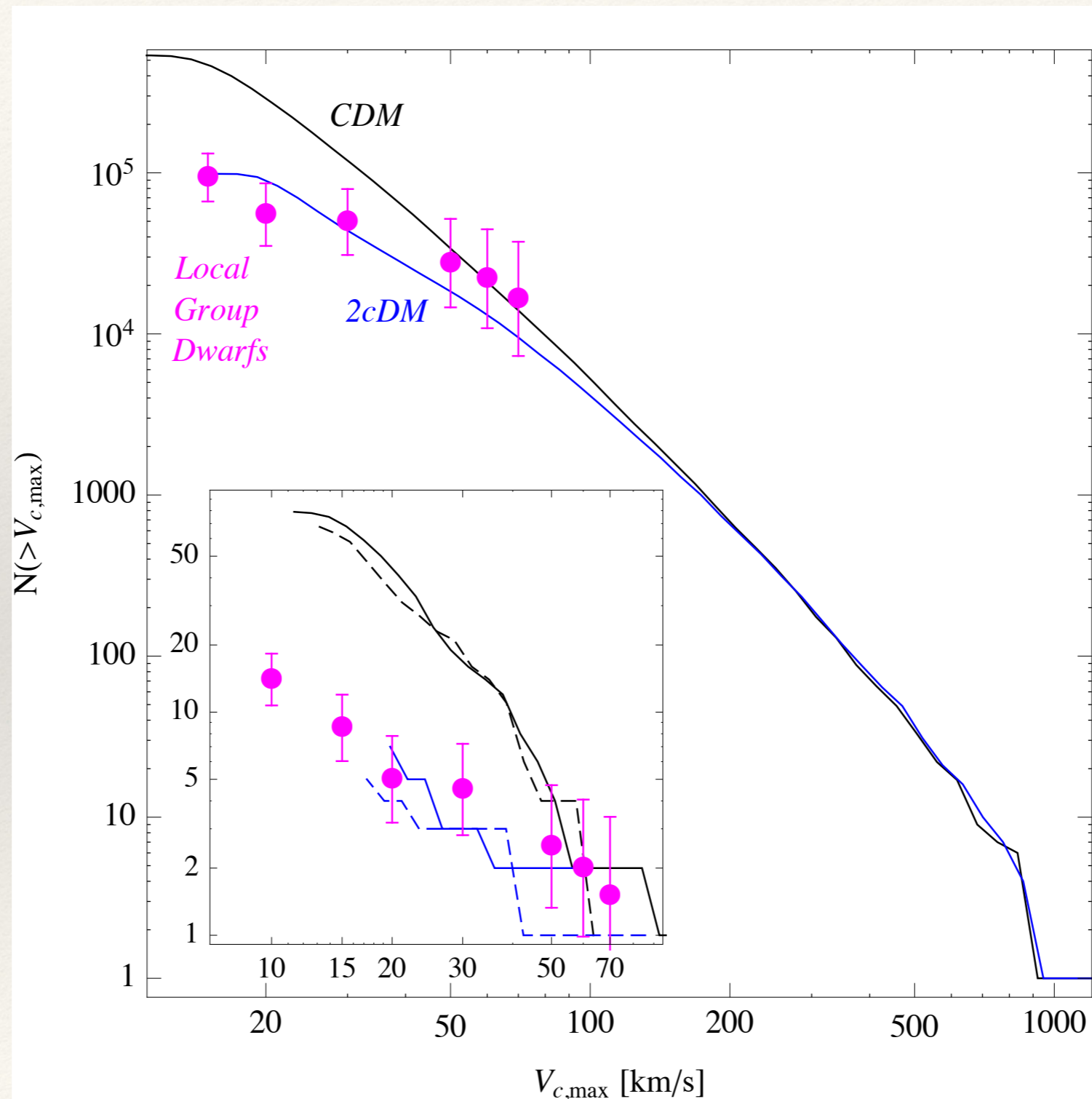
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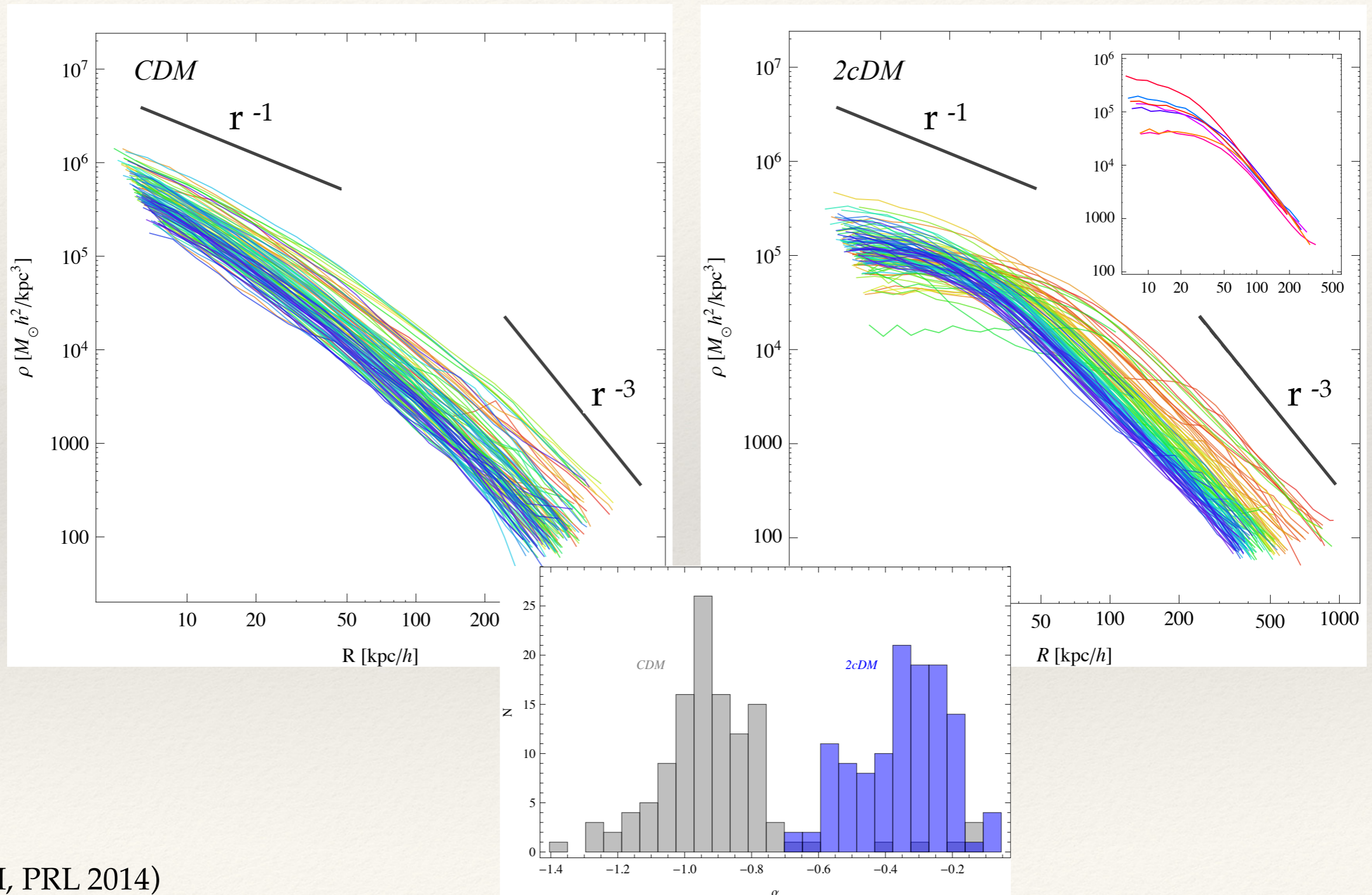


# Velocity function



$\sigma_* = 0.75 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$   
 $v_k = 50 \text{ km/s}$   
 $\Delta m/m = 10^{-8}$

# Density profiles



# Key: cross-sections

cross-sections

$$\sigma_{(s_i t_i) \rightarrow (s_i t_i)} = \frac{\pi}{k_i^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l + 1) \left| 1 - S_{(s_i t_i)(s_i t_i)}^{(l)} \right|^2,$$
$$\sigma_{(s_i t_i) \rightarrow (s_f t_f)} = \frac{\pi}{k_i^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (2l + 1) \left| S_{(s_i t_i)(s_f t_f)}^{(l)} \right|^2,$$

parameterize

$$\sigma_{i \rightarrow f}(v) = \begin{cases} \sigma_0 (v/v_0)^{a_s} & \text{for scattering,} \\ \sigma_0 (p_f/p_i) (v/v_0)^{a_c} & \text{for conversion} \end{cases}$$

natural:  $a_s = a_c$

examples:

$$a_s = a_c = 0$$

"hard spheres" ( $s$ -wave scattering)

$$a_s = a_c = -1$$

annihilation-like

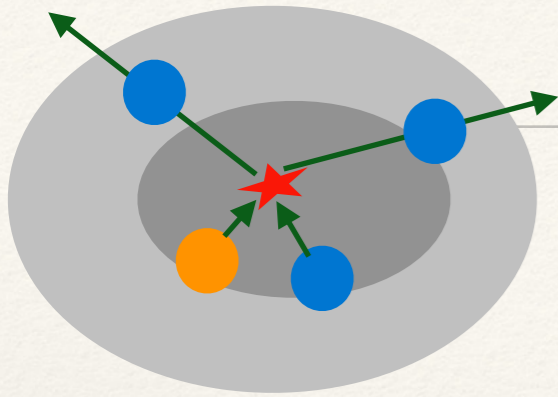
$$a_s = a_c = -2$$

maximum conversion probability

$$a_s = -4$$

Rutherford-like

# Substructure evaporation



assume profile

$$\rho(r) = \rho_0 \left( \frac{r}{R} \right)^{-\beta}$$

hydrostatic balance yields

$$v_{th}^2 = \frac{4\pi G \rho_0 R^\beta}{\beta(3-\beta)} r^{2-\beta}$$

mass-loss per radius

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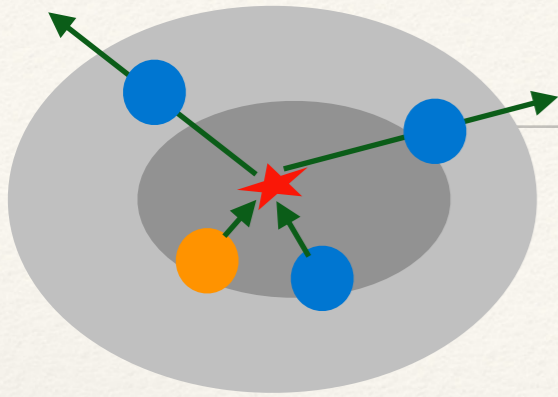
integrate to yield the total halo mass-loss

$$\dot{M} = \frac{3-\beta}{\lambda+3} \frac{\sigma_0 v_0}{m} \left[ \frac{G}{v_0 \beta} \left( \frac{4\pi \rho_0}{3-\beta} \right)^{1/3} \right]^{a+1} \left( \frac{r_c}{R} \right)^{\lambda+3} M^{1+\frac{2}{3}(a+1)}$$

*just a constant*

*approximately constant*

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$$\dot{M} = -|A|M^\xi$$

solution

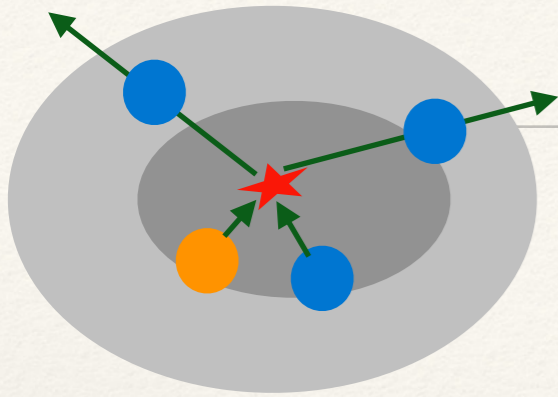
$$M_0 = \left[ (1-\xi)At + M^{1-\xi} \right]^{1/(1-\xi)}$$

*initial halo mass*

*final halo mass*

*indep. of halo shape (beta)*

# Substructure evaporation



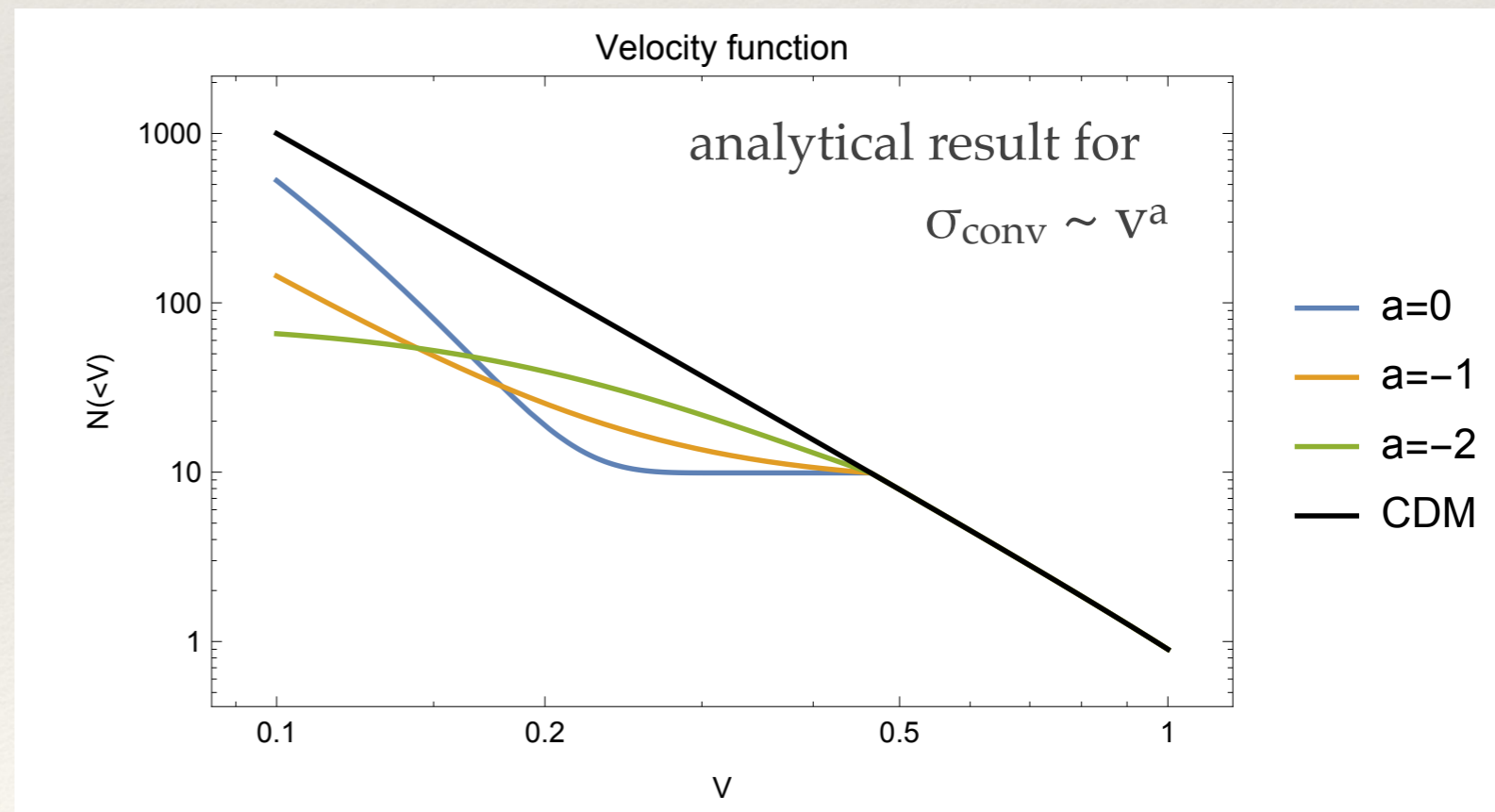
mapping of old to new

$$M_0 = \begin{cases} \left(M^{-2/3} - \frac{2}{3}At\right)^{-3/2}, & a = 0 \\ Me^{At}, & a = -1 \\ \left(M^{2/3} + \frac{2}{3}At\right)^{3/2}, & a = -2 \end{cases}$$

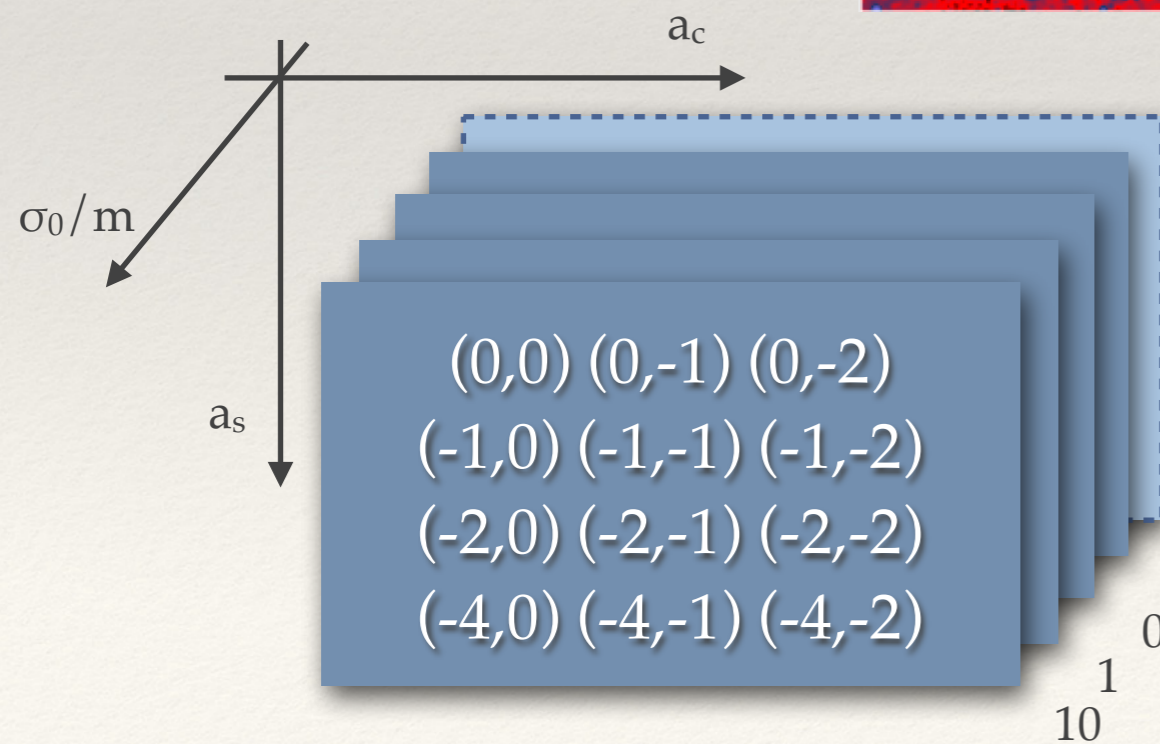
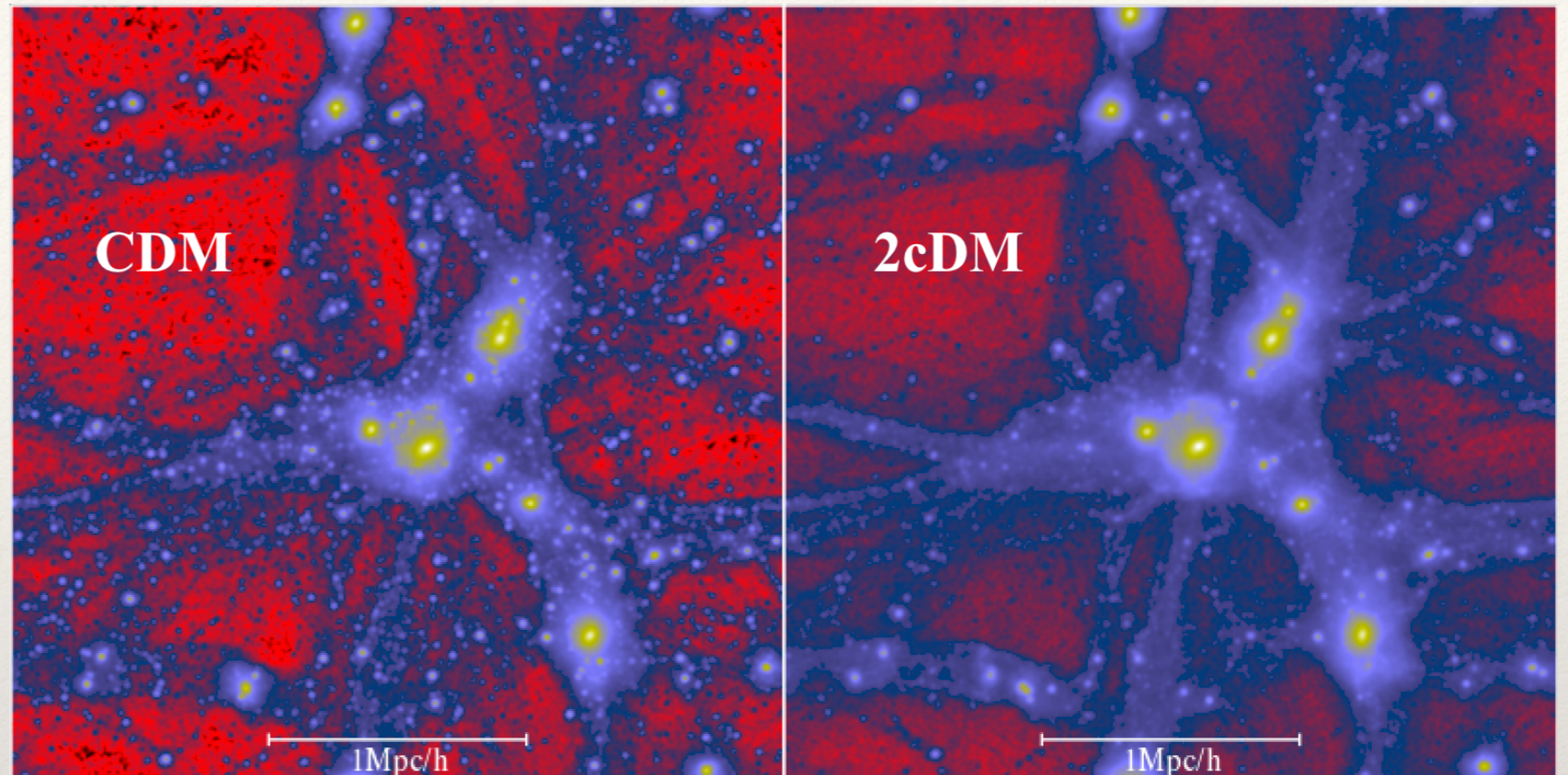
New mass function given the old one  $f(M_0)$  is  $f(M_0) = f(M_0(M, t)) \equiv f(M, t)$

and similarly for the velocity function

Evaporation resolves  
substructure & TBTF problems  
Shape of mass function tells:  
index  $a_c$  (conversion)  
and  $\sigma_0/m$



# 2cDM $\sigma(v)$ -simulations



+ across halo mass scales: dwarfs -- clusters

$10^7$        $10^{15}$

over 120 different simulations



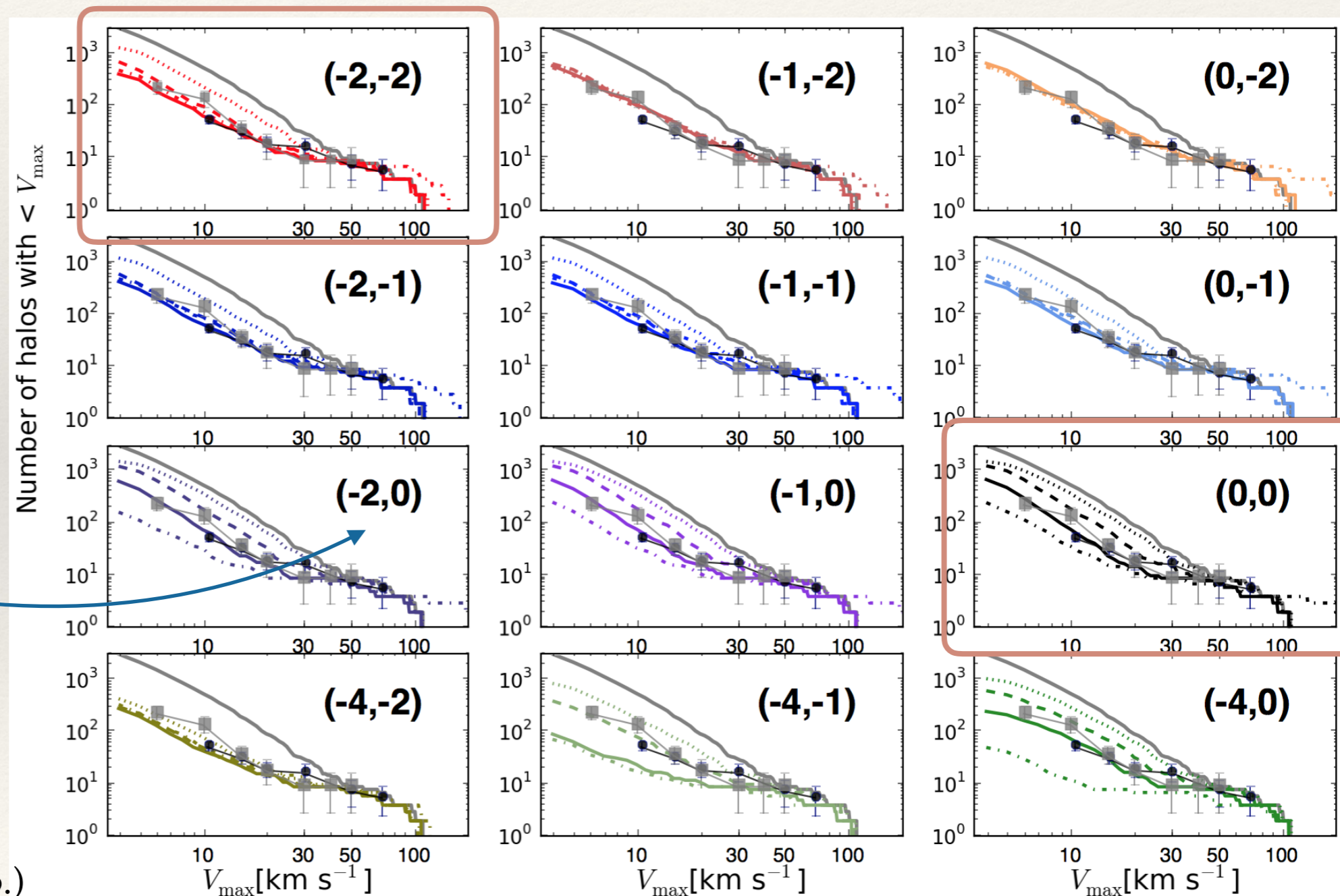
# 2cDM- $\sigma(v)$ -- Substructure

$$\sigma(v) = \begin{cases} \sigma(v/v_0)^{a_s} & \text{for scattering} \\ \sigma(v/v_0)^{a_c} & \text{for conversion} \end{cases}$$

$\sigma = (0.01, 0.1, 1)$  and 10,

*consistent with observations*

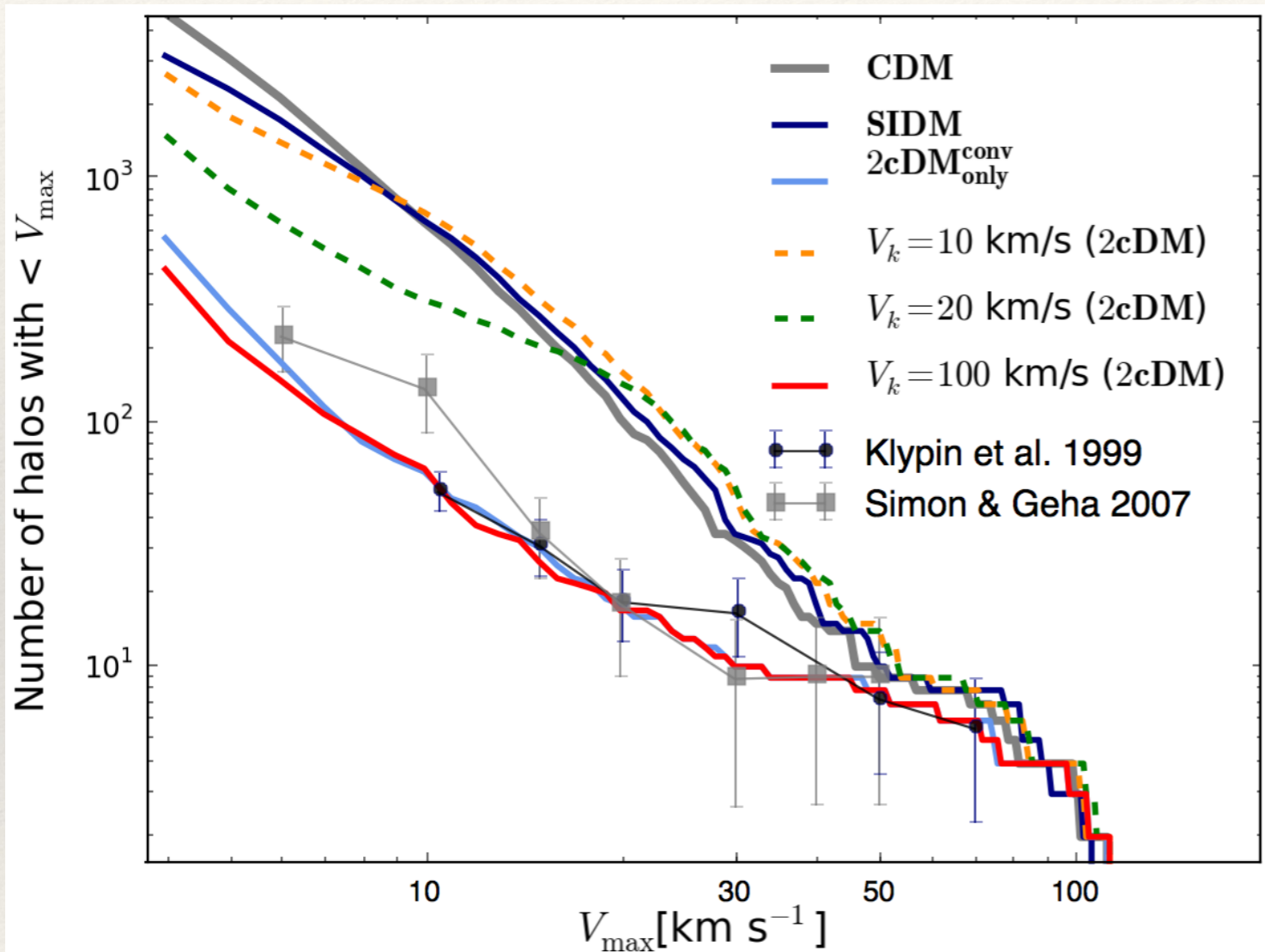
$(a_s, a_c)$



(Todoroki & MM, in prep.)

# Message 1

## SUBSTRUCTURE



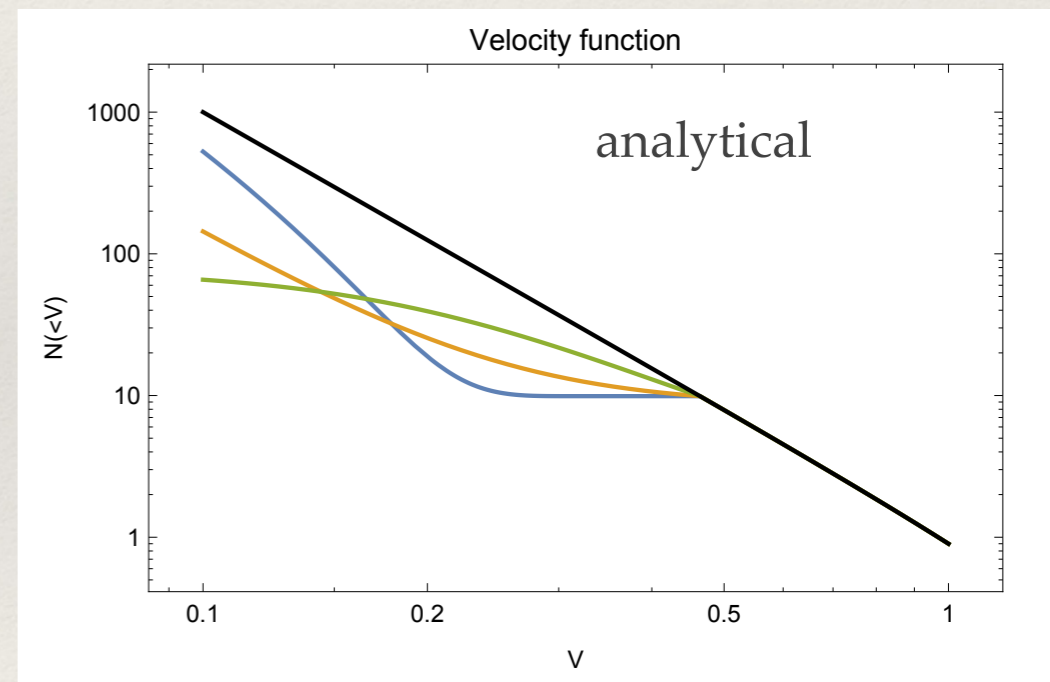
2cDM: Resolves substructure & TBTF problems.

Position of break tells:

$$\Delta m / m \Leftrightarrow v_k$$

Shape of mass function tells:

$$\text{index } a_c \text{ (conversion) and } \sigma_0 / m$$

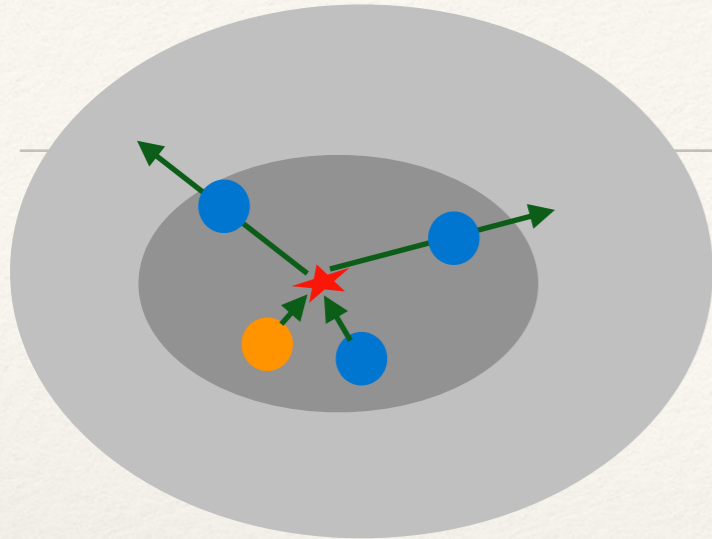


Wide parameter region allowed:

$\sigma(v) \sim 1 \dots 0.1 \dots 0.01$  – consistent with all constraints

$\Delta m / m \sim 10^{-8} \Leftrightarrow v_k \sim 50\text{-}100 \text{ km/s}$

# Cusp softening



number of interactions per particle

$$N_{int} = n\sigma v t_H = \rho_{vir} \frac{\sigma_0}{m} t_H v_0 \left(\frac{V_{vir}}{v_0}\right)^{a+1} \left(\frac{r_c}{R_{vir}}\right)^{a+1-\frac{\beta}{2}(a+3)}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \rho_{vir} = \frac{(3-\beta)M_{vir}}{4\pi R_{vir}^3} \\ V_{vir}^2 = GM_{vir}/R_{vir} \\ N_{vir} \equiv \rho_{vir} \frac{\sigma_0}{m} V_{vir} t_H \end{array} \right.$$

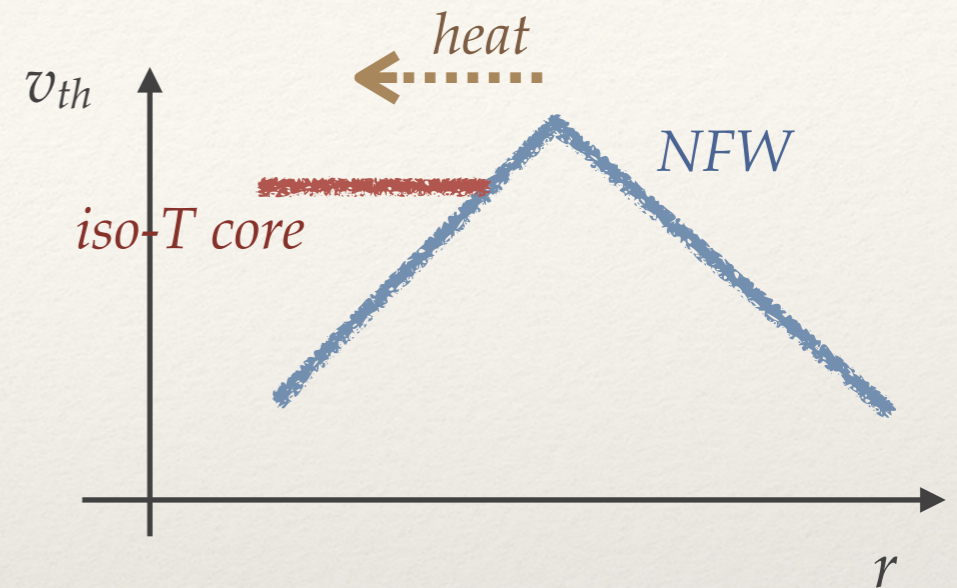
core radius

$$\frac{r_c}{R_{vir}} \simeq \left[ \left( \frac{\text{a few}}{N_{vir}} \right) \left( \frac{V_{vir}}{v_0} \right)^{-a} \right]^{-\xi} \propto \sigma_0^\xi$$

Scattering resolves core-cusp problem

Core size tells:

$\sigma_0/m$  and index  $a_s$  (scattering)



$$\xi = \frac{2}{\beta(a+3) - 2(a+1)}$$

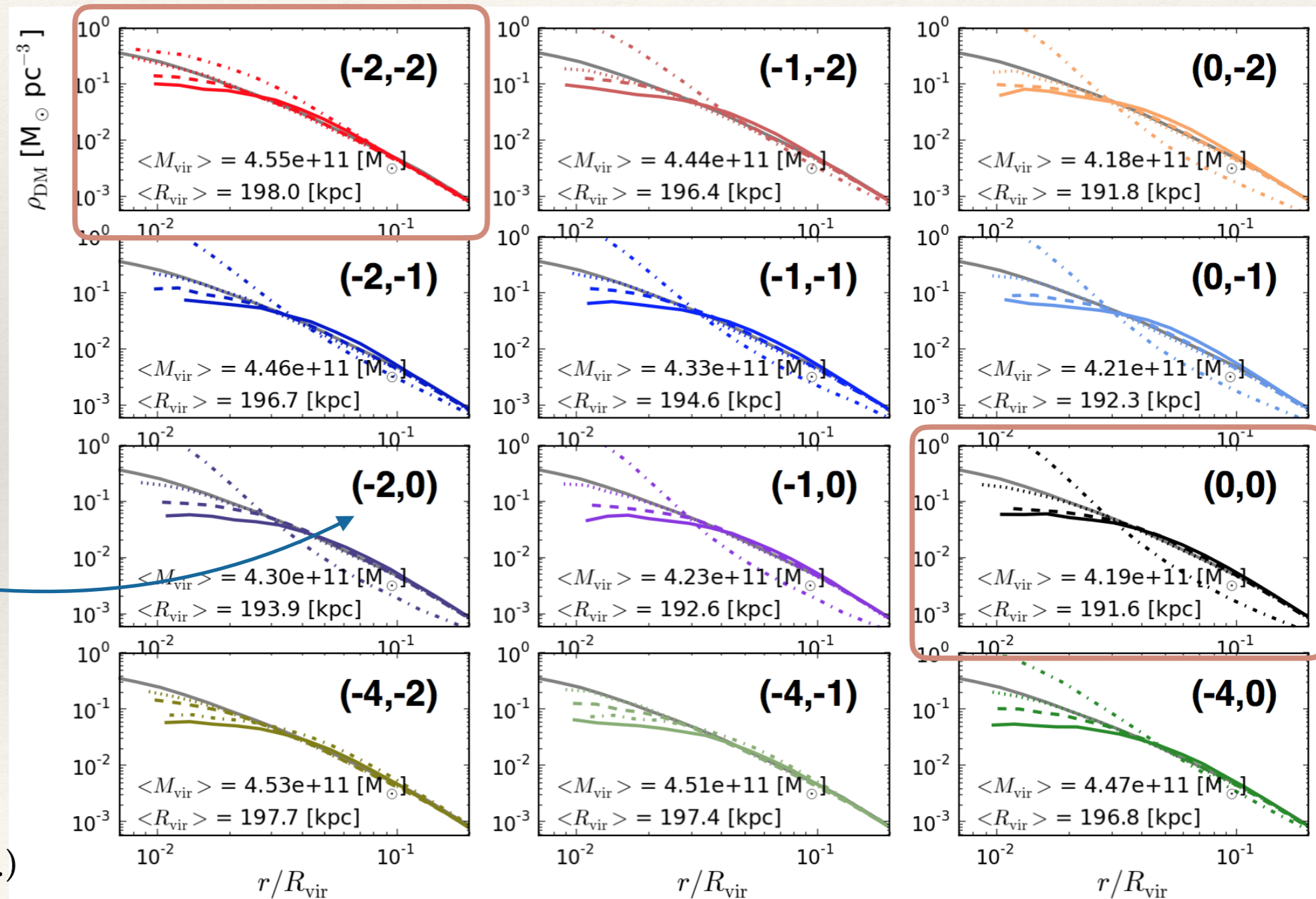
# 2cDM- $\sigma(v)$ – Profiles (MW-like)

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(Todoroki & MM, in prep.)

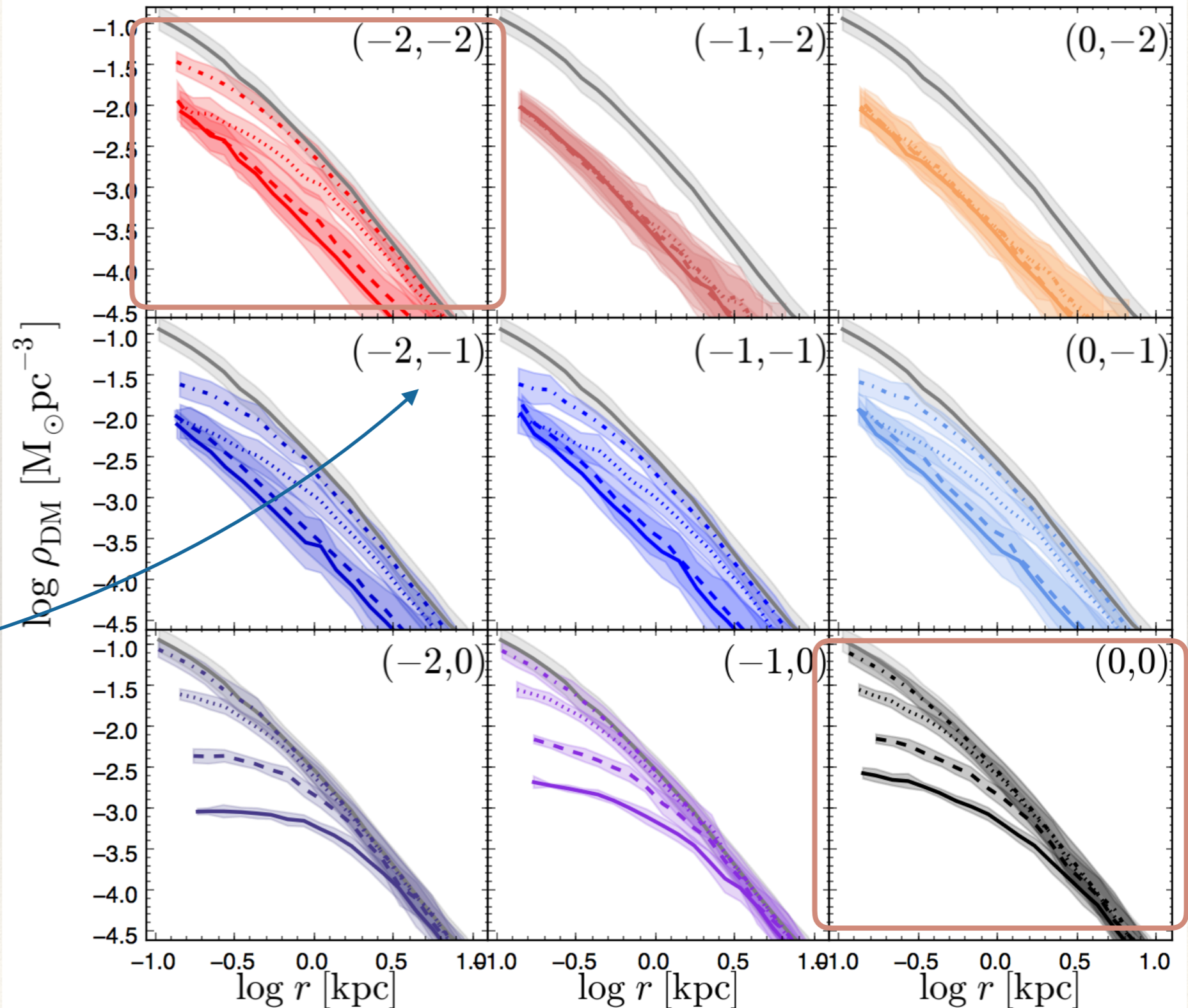
# 2cDM- $\sigma(v)$ -- Profiles (Dwarfs)

$$\sigma(v) = \begin{cases} \sigma(v/v_0)^{a_s} \\ \sigma(v/v_0)^{a_c} \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma = (0.01, 0.1, 1)$$

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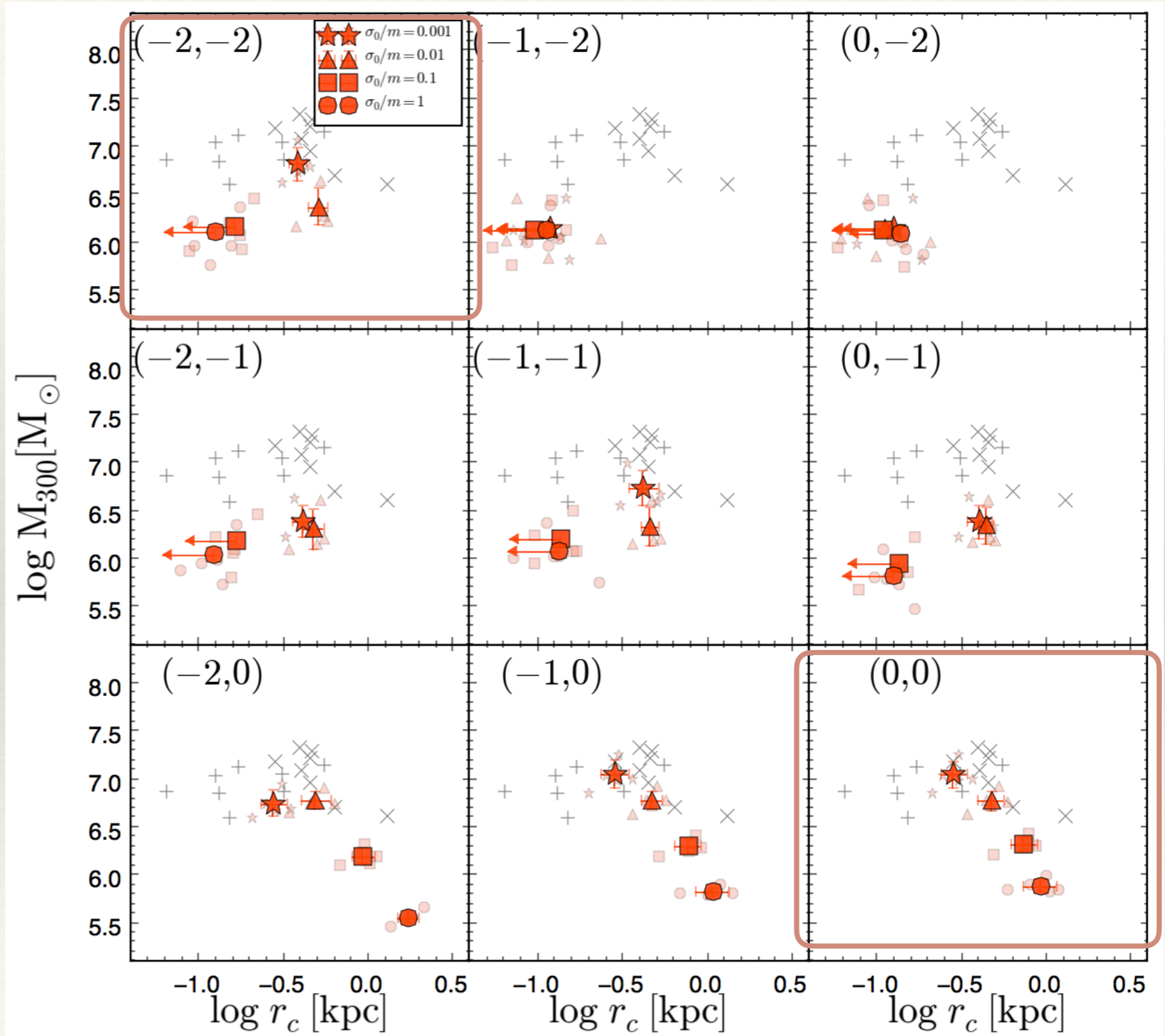
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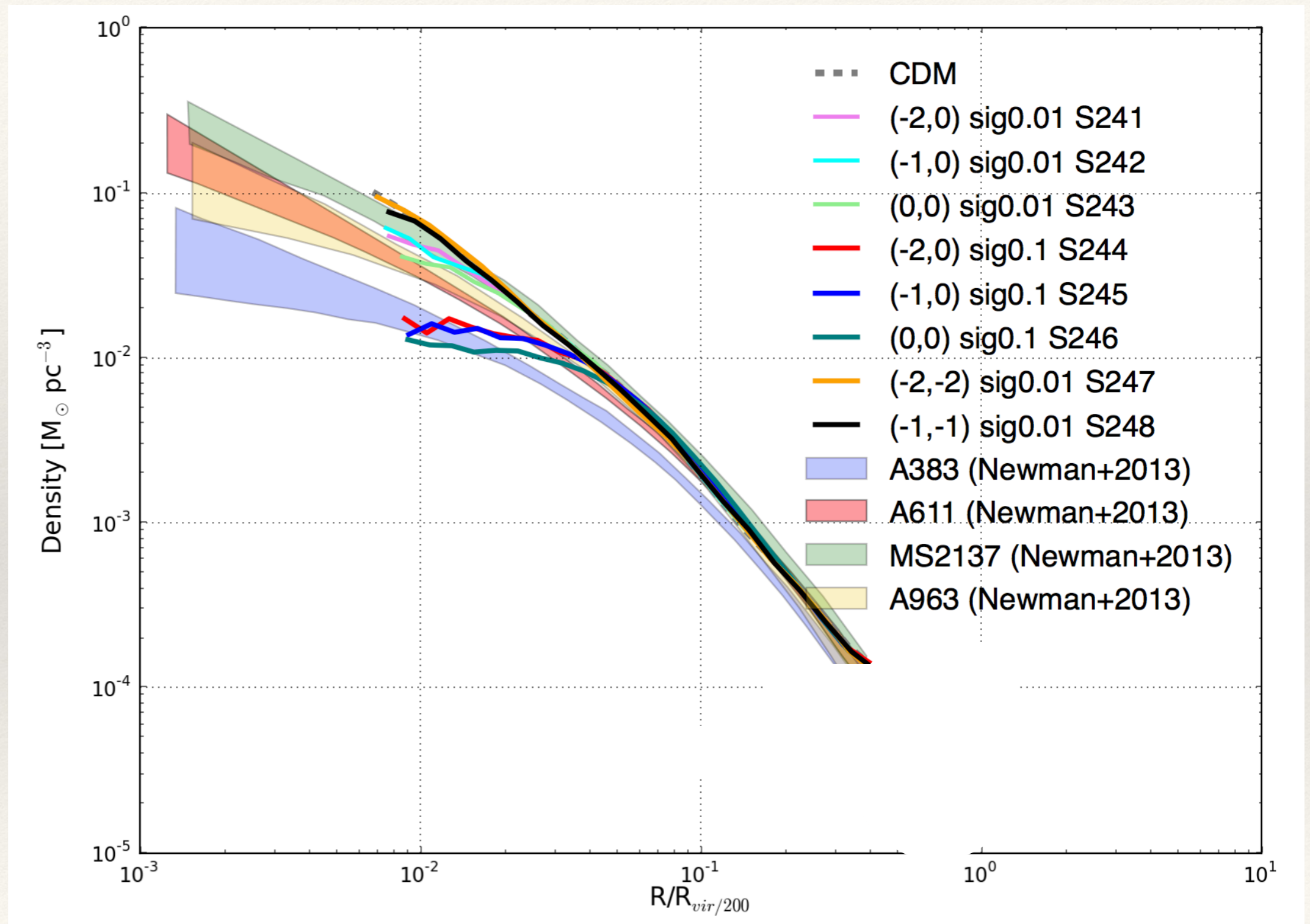
# 2cDM- $\sigma(v)$ – Core relations (obs vs sim)

Red symbols - simulations  
Gray crosses - MW sSph



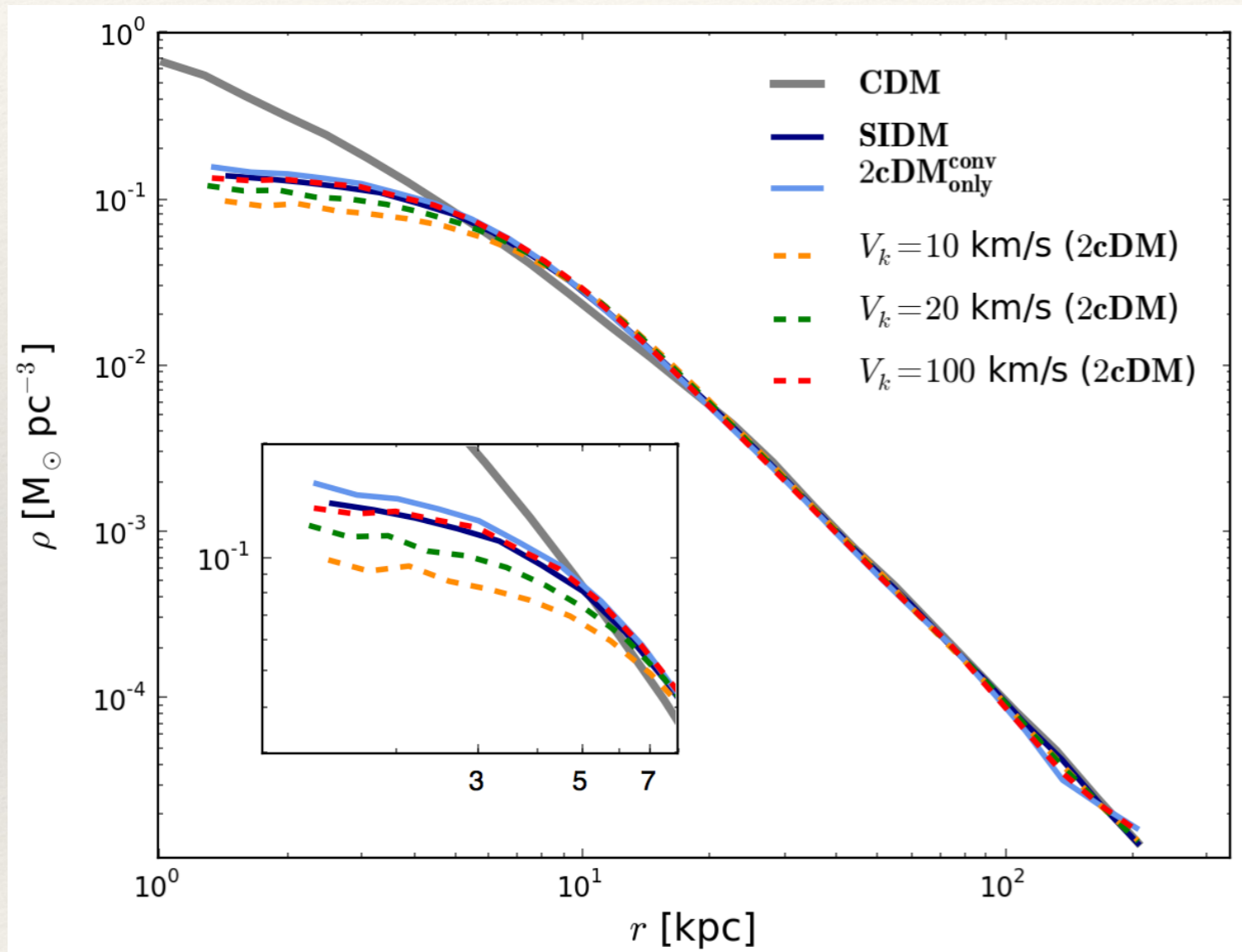
(Data:  
Strigari et al. 2008;  
Burkert 2015 )

# 2cDM- $\sigma(v)$ -- Profiles (Clusters)



# Message 2

## PROFILES



Wide parameter region allowed:

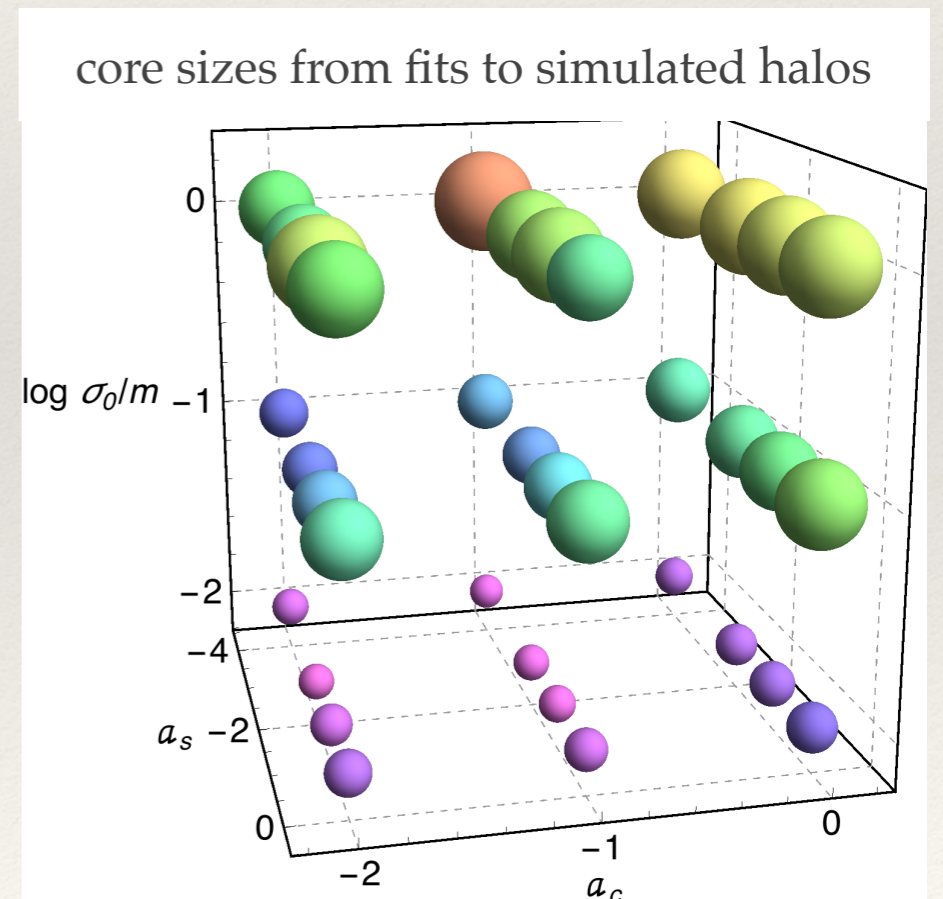
$\sigma(v) \sim 1 \dots 0.1 \dots 0.01$  – consistent with all constraints

$\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-8} \Leftrightarrow v_k \sim 50\text{-}100 \text{ km/s}$

2cDM: Resolves core-cusp problem.

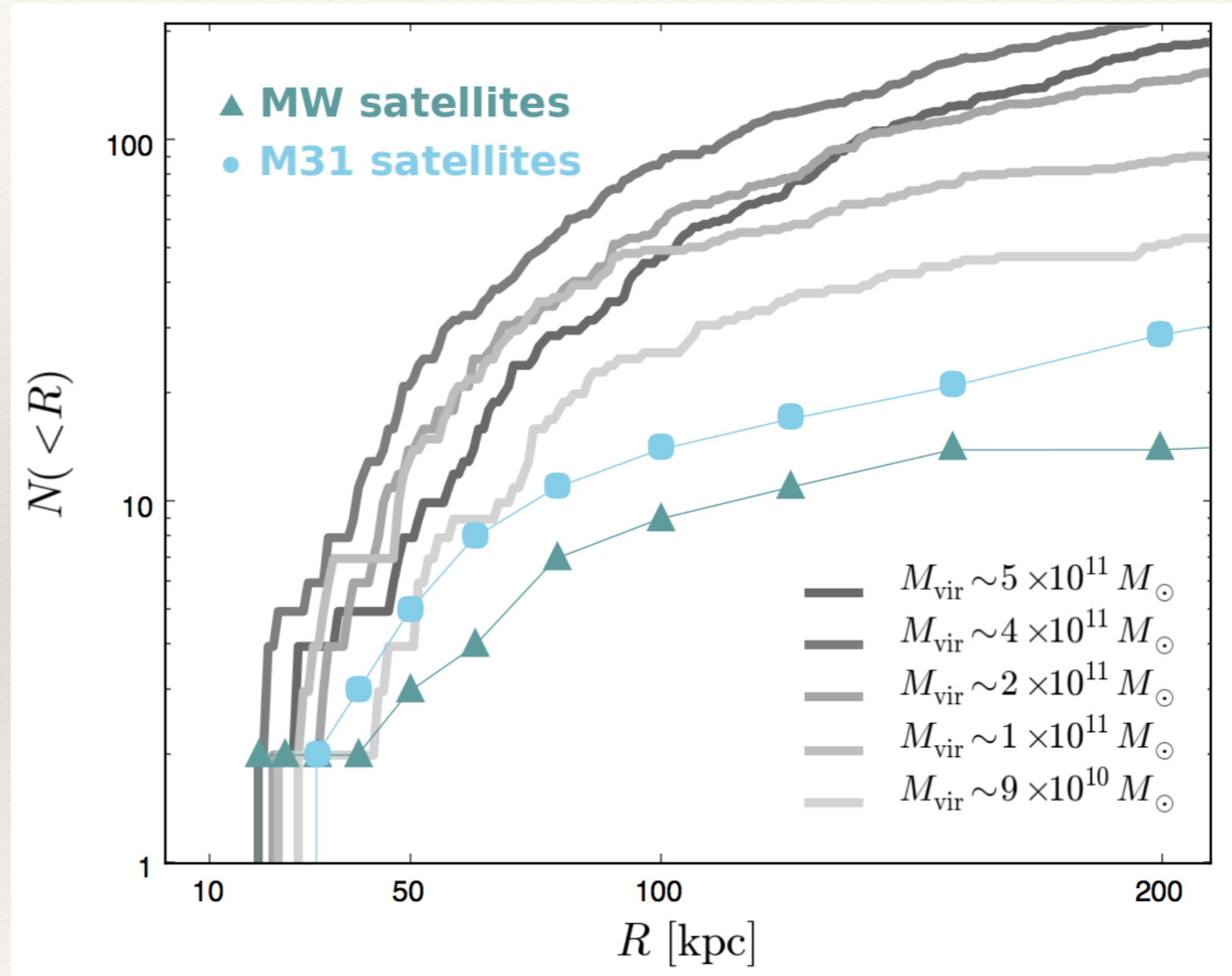
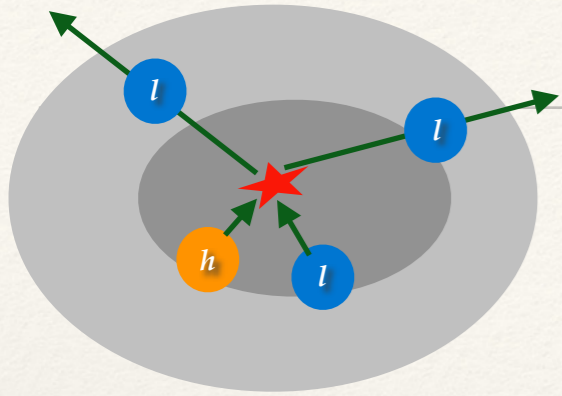
Core size tells:

$\sigma_0/m$  and index  $a_s$  (scattering)





# Radial distribution of satellites (CDM)



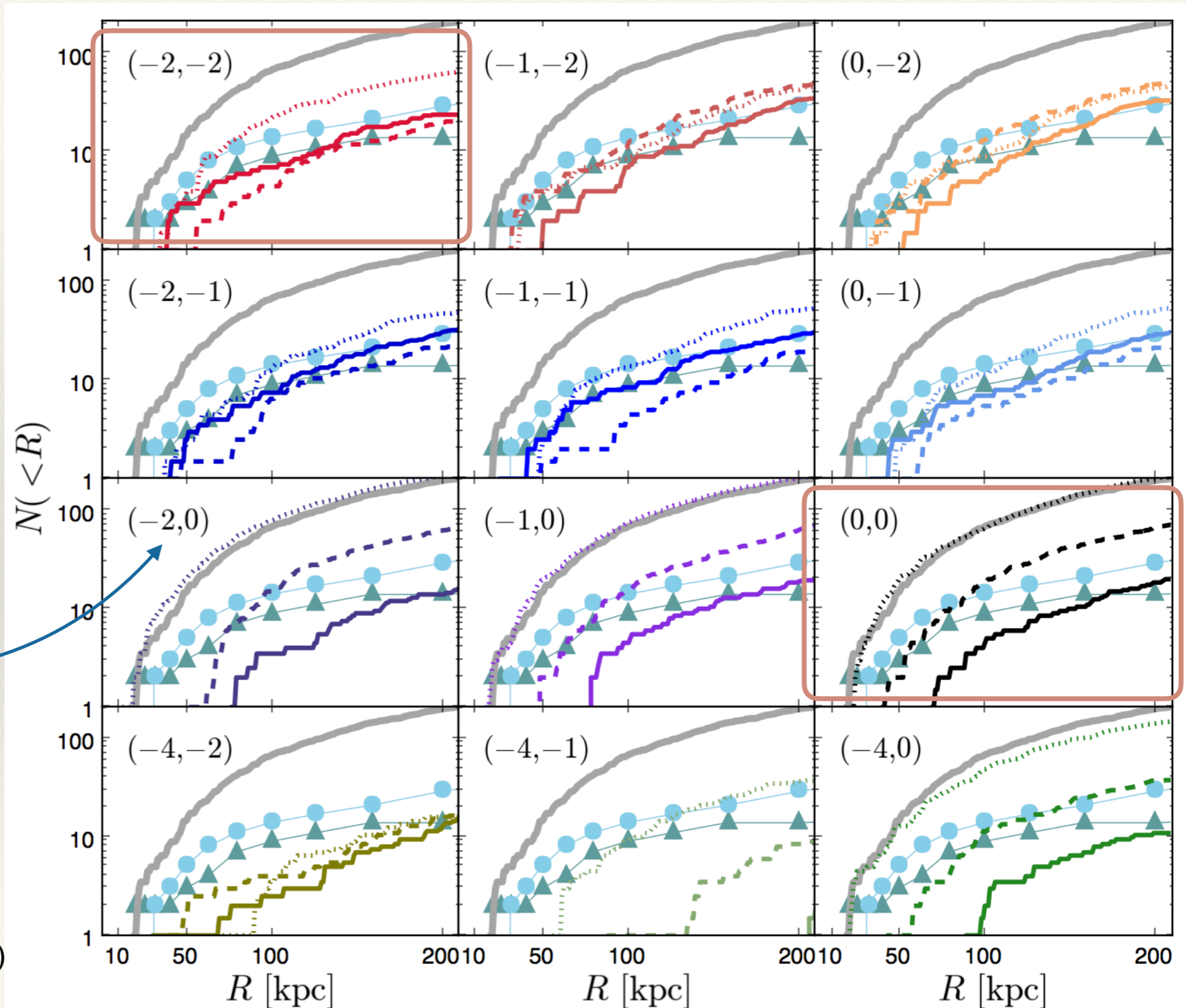
# 2cDM- $\sigma(v)$ -- dwarf distribution

$$\sigma(v) = \begin{cases} \sigma(v/v_0)^{a_s} \\ \sigma(v/v_0)^{a_c} \end{cases}$$

$$\sigma = (0.01, 0.1, 1)$$

*consistent with observations*

$(a_s, a_c)$

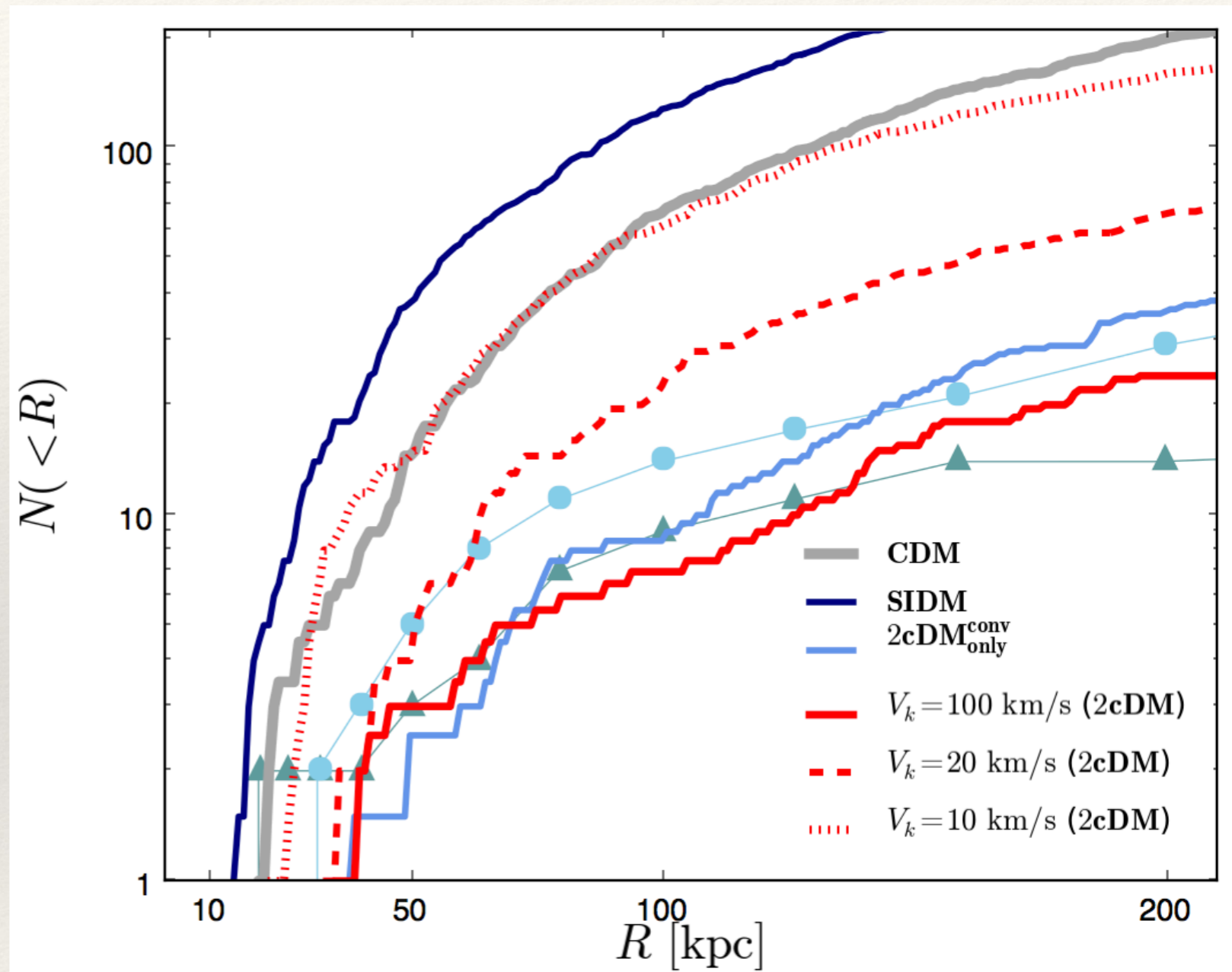


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# Message 3

## *DISTRIBUTION of SATELLITES*

2cDM: Resolves substructure radial distribution.  
Shape of function depends on all parameters



Wide parameter region allowed:

$\sigma(v) \sim 1 \dots 0.1 \dots 0.01$  – consistent with all constraints

$\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-8} \Leftrightarrow v_k \sim 50-100$  km/s

# 2cDM model summary

Model	$\sigma_0/m$	MW			Dwarf	GC			Theoretical preference
		Density profile	VF	RHDF	Density Profile	Density Profile	$\beta-r_s$	$c-M$ relation	
(-2, -2)	0.001	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
	0.01	Baryon	Baryon	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	0.1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
	1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
	10	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
(-1, -2)	0.001	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.01	Baryon	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	10	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
(0, -2)	0.001	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.01	Baryon	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	10	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
(-2, -1)	0.001	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.01	Baryon	Baryon	YES	YES	-	-	-	
	0.1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
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	10	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
(-1, -1)	0.001	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
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	1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
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	0.01	Baryon	Baryon	YES	YES	-	-	-	
	0.1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	1	YES	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	10	NO	YES	YES	NO	-	-	-	
(-2, 0)	0.001	NO	NO	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.01	Baryon	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	
	0.1	YES	Baryon	YES	YES	?	YES	YES	
	1	YES	YES	NO	NO	-	-	-	
	10	NO	NO	YES	NO	-	-	-	
(-1, 0)	0.001	NO	NO	YES	NO	-	-	-	
	0.01	Baryon	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	
	0.1	YES	Baryon	YES	YES	?	YES	YES	
	1	YES	YES	NO	NO	-	-	-	
	10	YES	NO	YES	NO	-	-	-	
(0, 0)	0.001	NO	NO	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
	0.01	YES	NO	NO	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	0.1	YES	Baryon	YES	YES	?	YES	YES	YES
	1	YES	YES	NO	NO	-	-	-	YES
	10	NO	NO	YES	NO	-	-	-	YES
SIDM	0.001	YES	NO	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.01	YES	NO	-	-	-	-	-	
	0.1	YES	NO	-	-	-	-	-	
	1	YES	NO	-	-	-	-	-	
	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
CDM	-	NO	NO	NO	NO	?	YES	?	

$\sigma(v) \sim 1(?)...0.1...0.01$

$(a_s, a_c) = (0,0), (-2,-2)$  -- natural

$\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-8} \Leftrightarrow v_k \sim 50-100 \text{ km/s}$

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# Typical constraints

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"Bullet cluster"  $\sigma/m < 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$

2cDM cross-sections  $\sigma/m \sim 1 \dots 0.1$ , even  $\dots 0.01$

Stability to decay "mass-eigenstates must decay to leave the lightest only"

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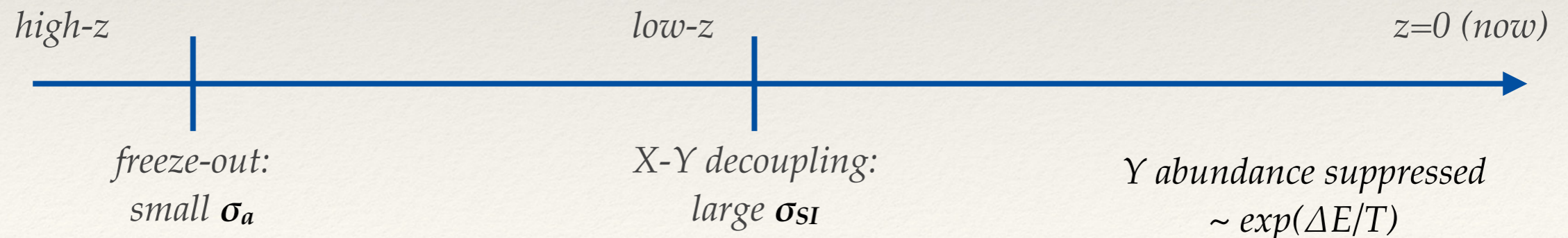
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Early universe "catastrophe"

2cDM looks like any multi-species / composite DM -- allows rapid "reactions"  $Y \rightarrow X$   
 $\Rightarrow$  abundance of heavy states must be exponentially suppressed

excited,  
inelastic,  
exothermal DM,...



# Typical constraints

if wave packets overlap, particles interact coherently (as flavor states) - *no conversions*

time-dependent wave packet of a mass eigenstate

$$\psi_j(x, t) = \left[ 2\pi \left( \Delta_0 + \frac{i\hbar t}{2m_j\Delta_0} \right)^2 \right]^{-1/4} \exp \left[ -\frac{(x - x_0 - v_j t)^2}{4\Delta_0^2 + 2i\hbar t/m_j} + \frac{i}{\hbar} \left( m_j v_j x - \frac{m_j v_j^2}{2} t \right) \right]$$

wave packet width

$$\Delta_j^2(t) = \Delta_0^2 + \left( \frac{\hbar}{2m_j\Delta_0} \right)^2 t^2$$

*packet spreads as fast as it propagates*

interaction amplitude  $\sim$  overlap of two mass states

$$I(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_h(x, t) A_l(x, t) dx \quad I(\infty) \simeq 1 - \left( \frac{\Delta m}{m} \right)^2 \xi + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{\Delta m^3}{m^3} \right)$$

$$\xi = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{p^2 \Delta_0^2}{2\hbar^2} \sim \frac{1}{4} + \frac{p^2}{2(\Delta p)^2} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

Catastrophe isn't a problem for 2cDM: conversions do not occur before structure formation starts (needed to separate mass states)

$$\sigma_{\text{conv}}^{\text{fst}} \sim (\Delta m/m)^4 \sigma_{\text{conv}}$$

before structure formation after structure formation

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# Caveats

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some fine tuning of  $\sigma$  to Hubble time

$$0.001 < \sigma/m < 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$$

too few collisions  
- uninteresting

too many collisions  
- collapse

large  $\sigma \sim 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g} \sim 1 \text{ barn}/\text{GeV}$

not very natural in particle physics

high degeneracy  $\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-8}$

not very natural in particle physics -  
possibly needs light mediator

*small mass splitting:*

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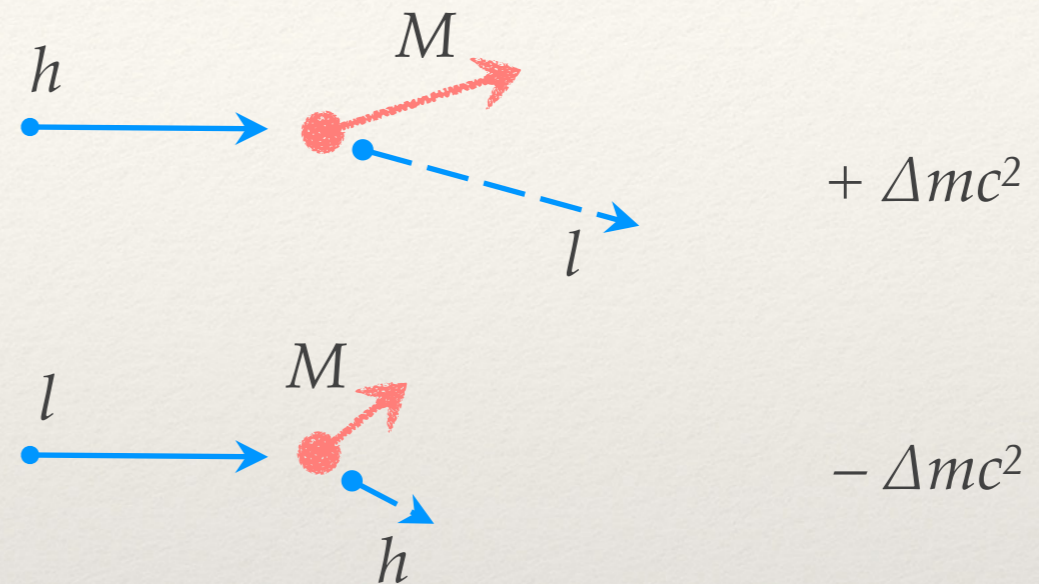




# 2cDM predictions

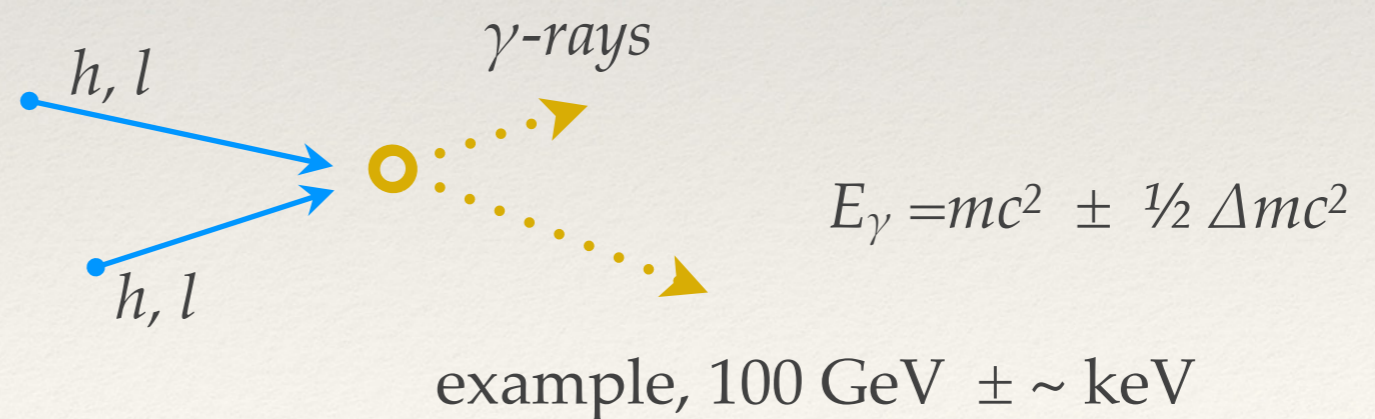
## direct detection

“inelastic recoil”



## indirect detection

“ $\gamma$ -ray annihilation line triplet”



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# Conclusions

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## **flavor-mixed DM – just works**

- ♦ resolves small-scale problems simultaneously across many scales
- ♦ cosmologically interesting ( $v \sim 100$  km/s)
- ♦  $\sigma(v)/m \sim 1 \dots 0.1 \dots 0.01$  – consistent with all obs. constraints
- ♦  $\Delta m/m \sim 10^{-8}$  – can be naturally stable
- ♦ passes the "early universe catastrophe" challenge
- ♦ makes predictions for DM detection experiments: inelastic recoil, gamma triplet

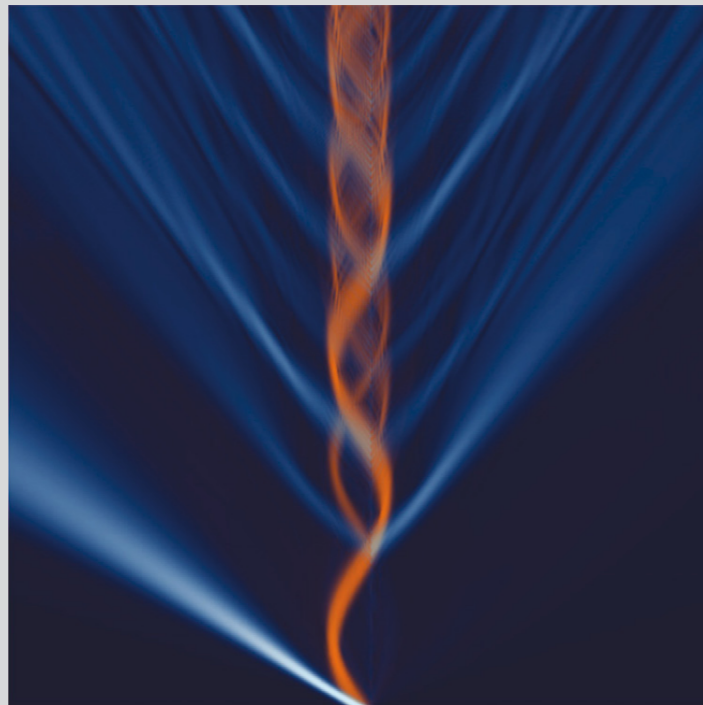
**further study – "realistic" simulations with star formation, baryons, feedback,...**

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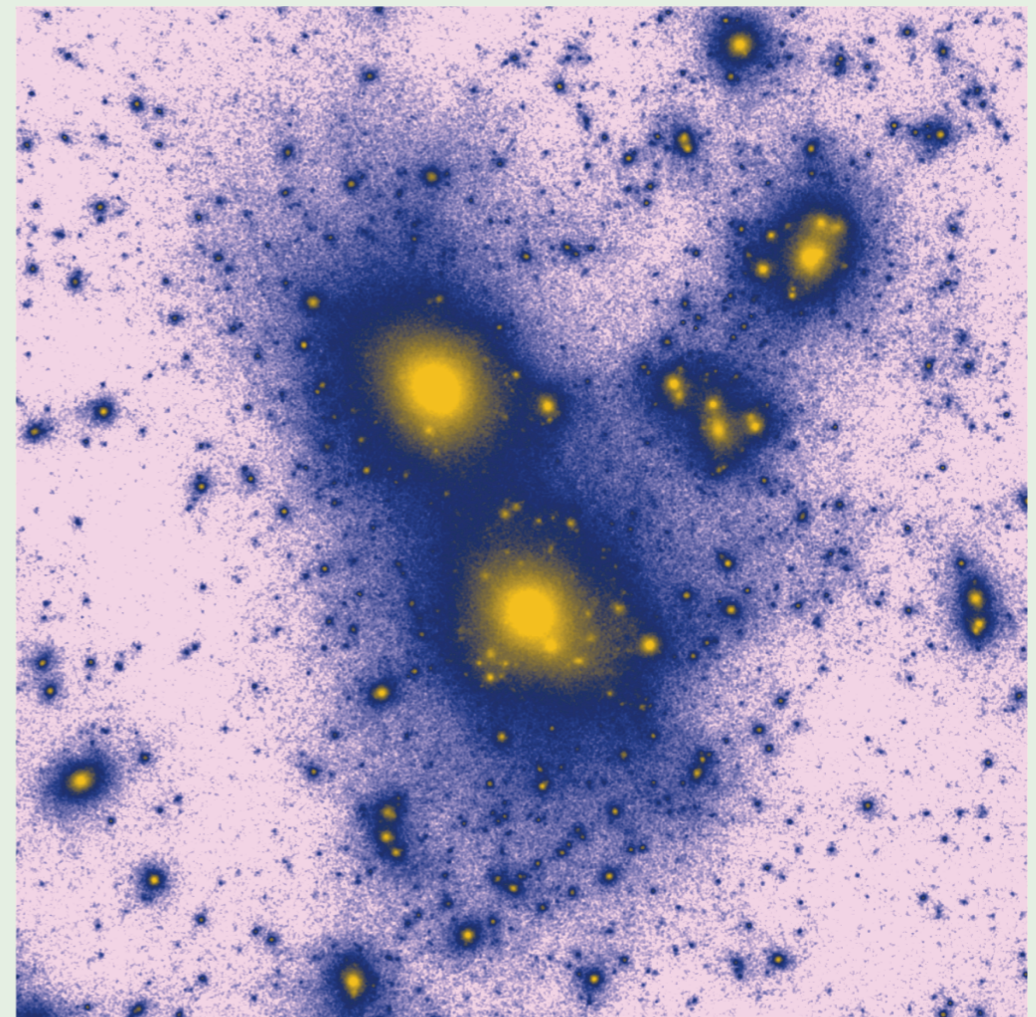
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