

# Astrophysical tests of the identity of the 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 neutralino	$10^{-5}$ eV - 100 GeV

# The dark matter power spectrum

Free streaming →

$$\lambda_{\text{cut}} \propto m_x^{-1}$$

for thermal relic

$$m_{\text{CDM}} \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$$

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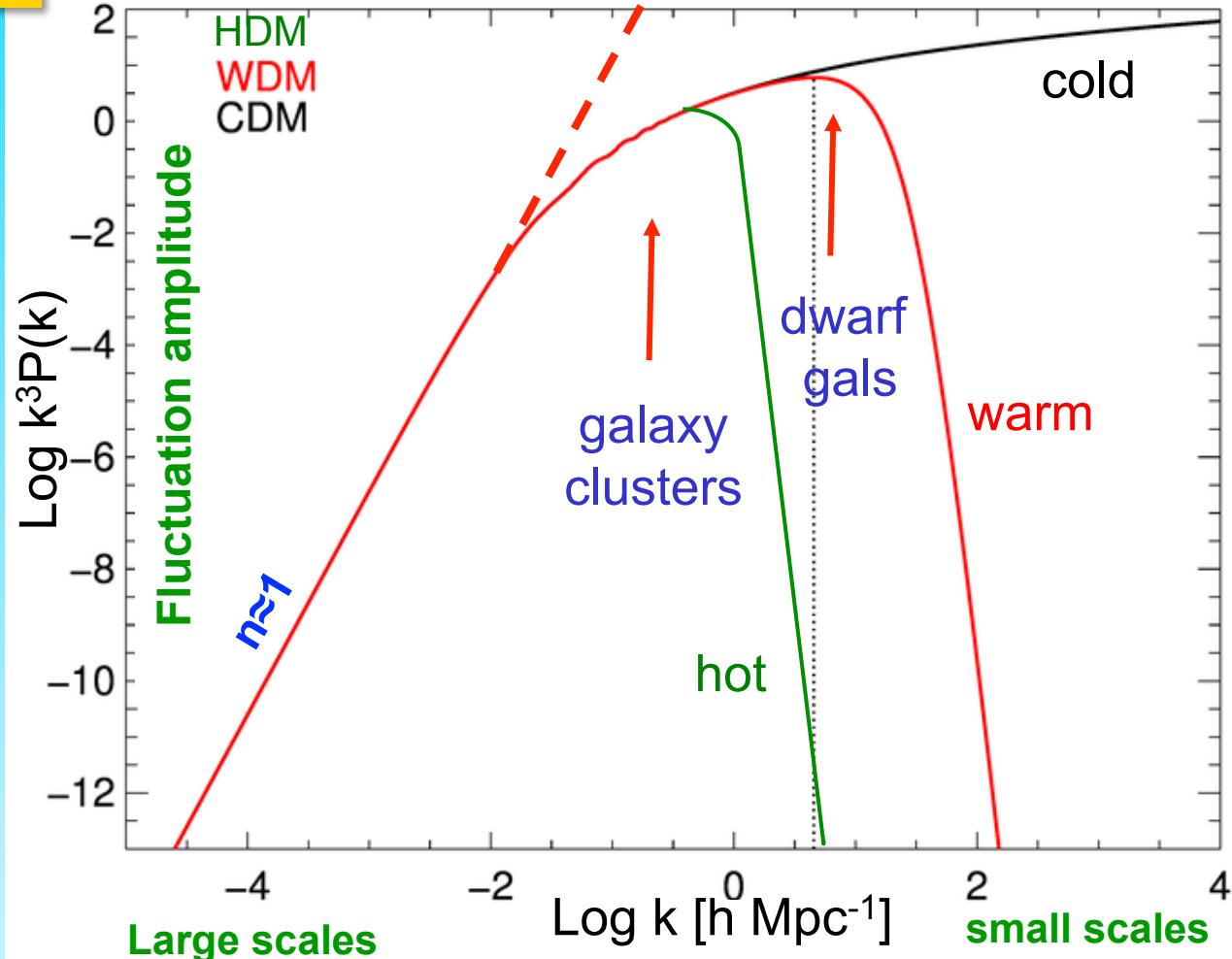
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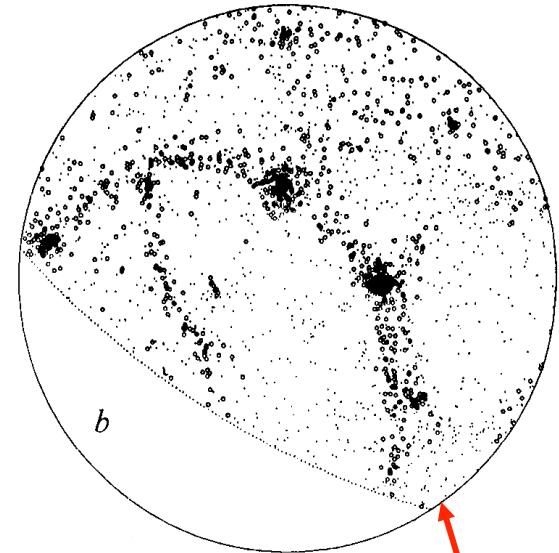
$$\text{light } \nu; M_{\text{cut}} \sim 10^{15} M_\odot$$

$$k^3 P(k)$$

The linear power spectrum (“power per octave”)



# Non-baryonic dark matter cosmologies



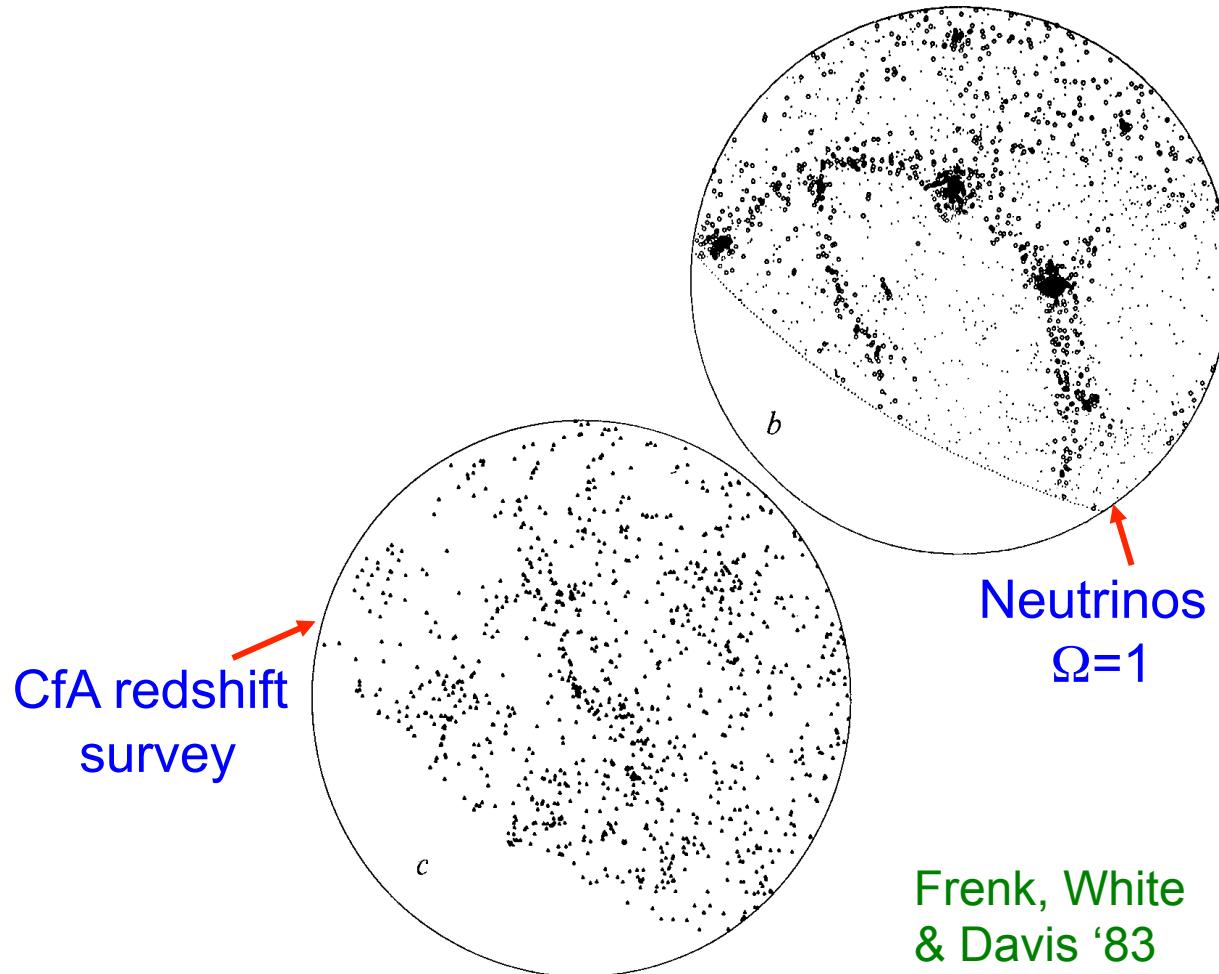
Neutrinos  
 $\Omega=1$

Frenk, White  
& Davis '83

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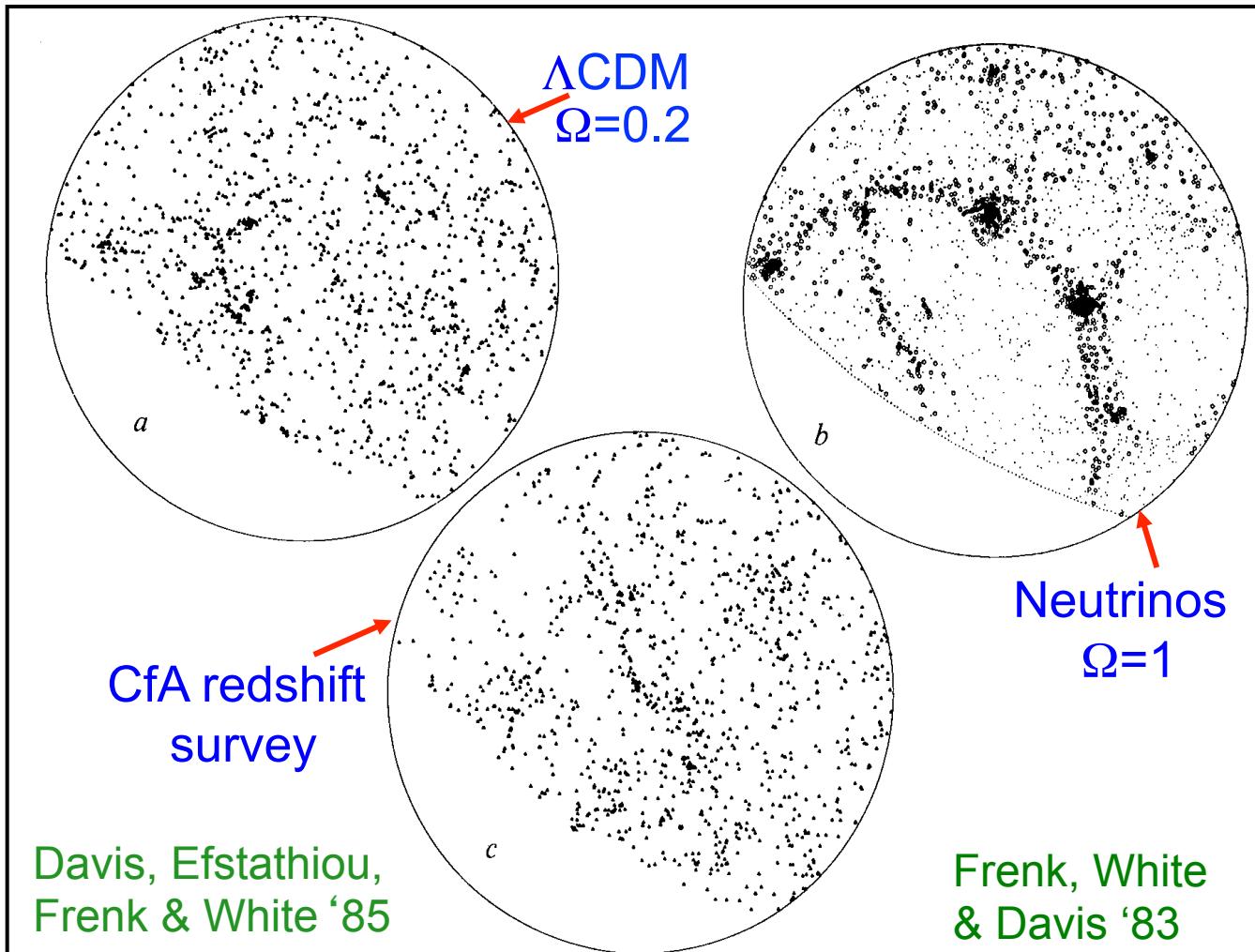
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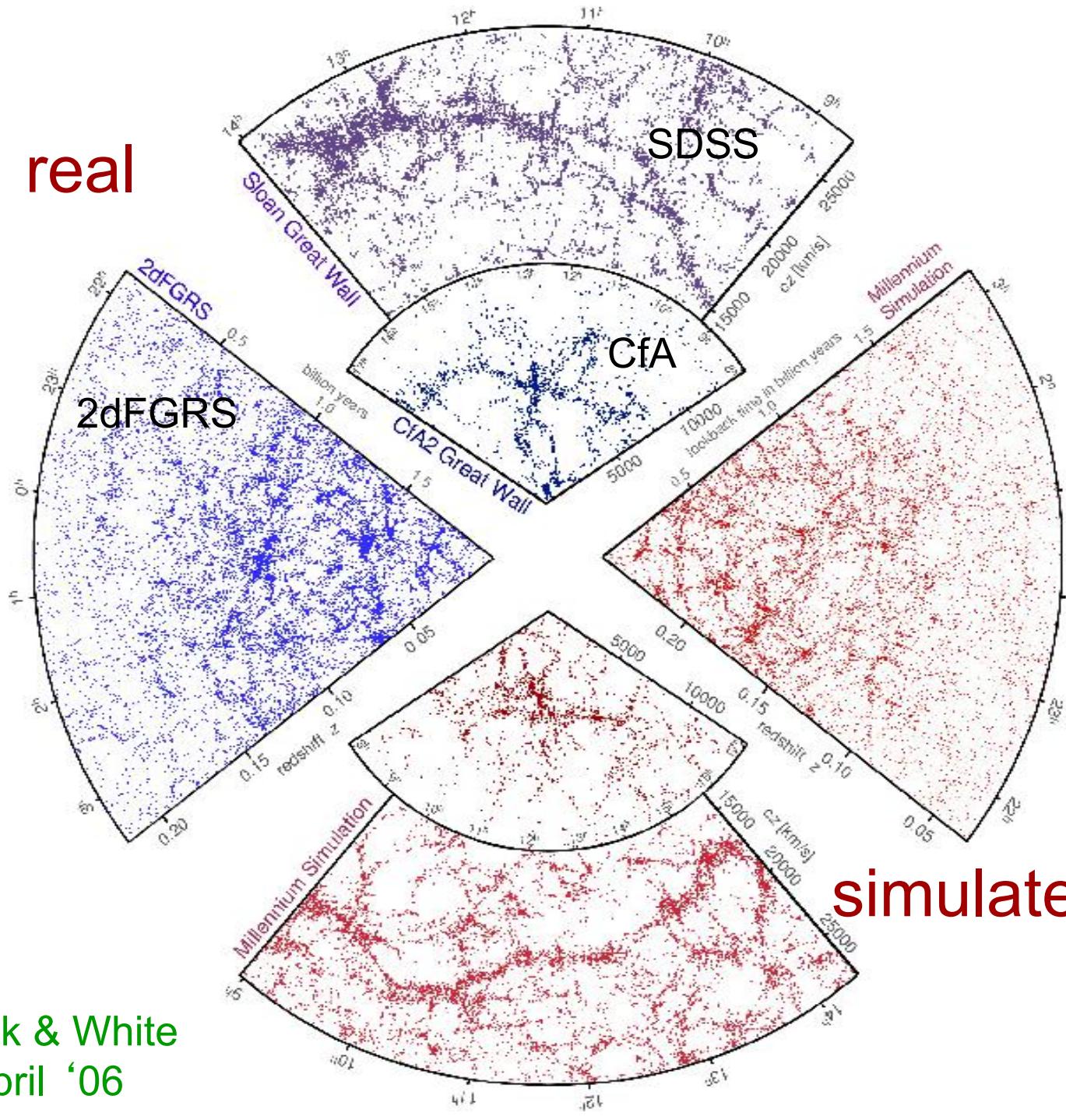
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Early CDM N-body  
simulations gave  
promising results

In CDM structure  
forms hierarchically

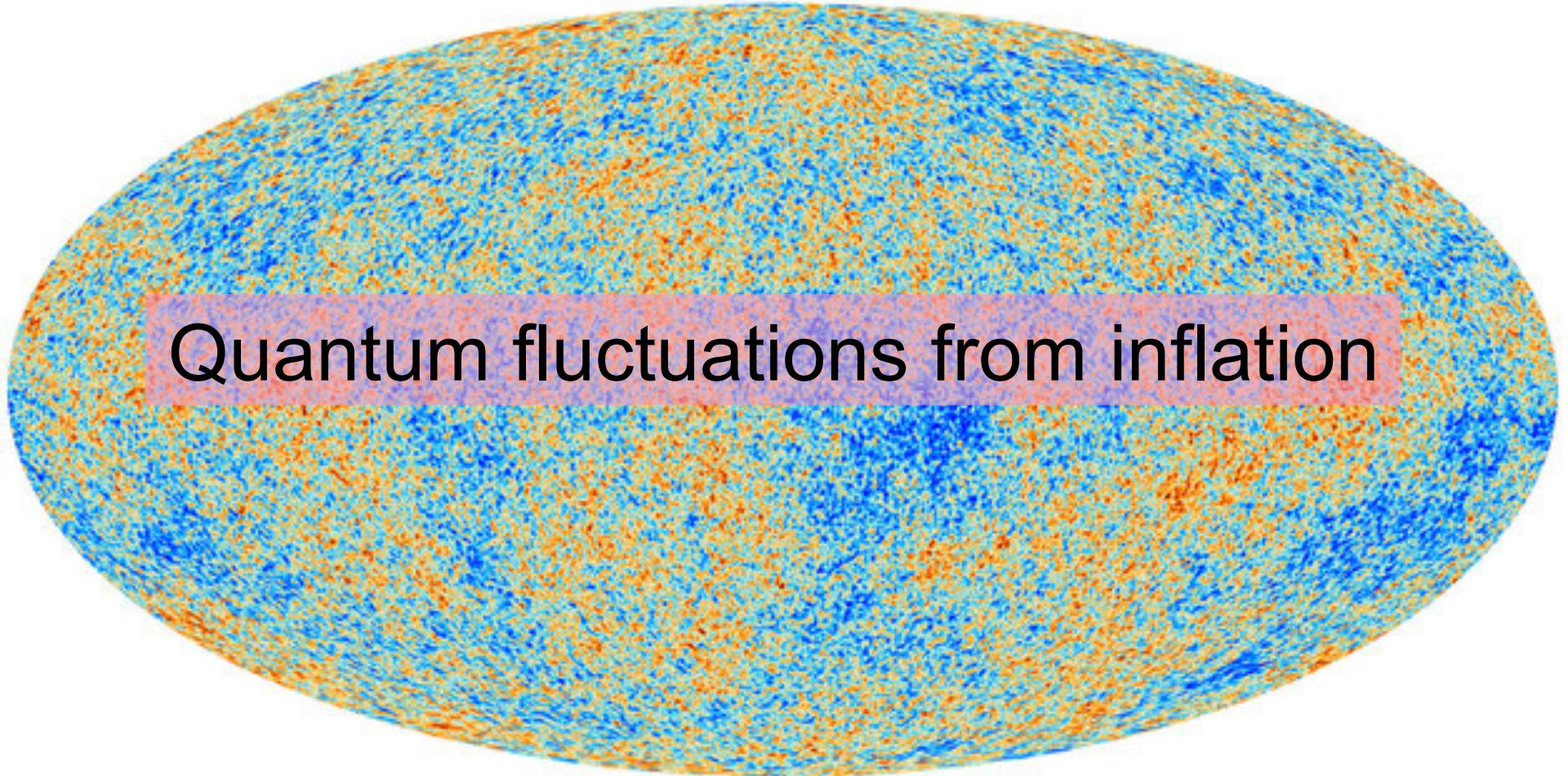


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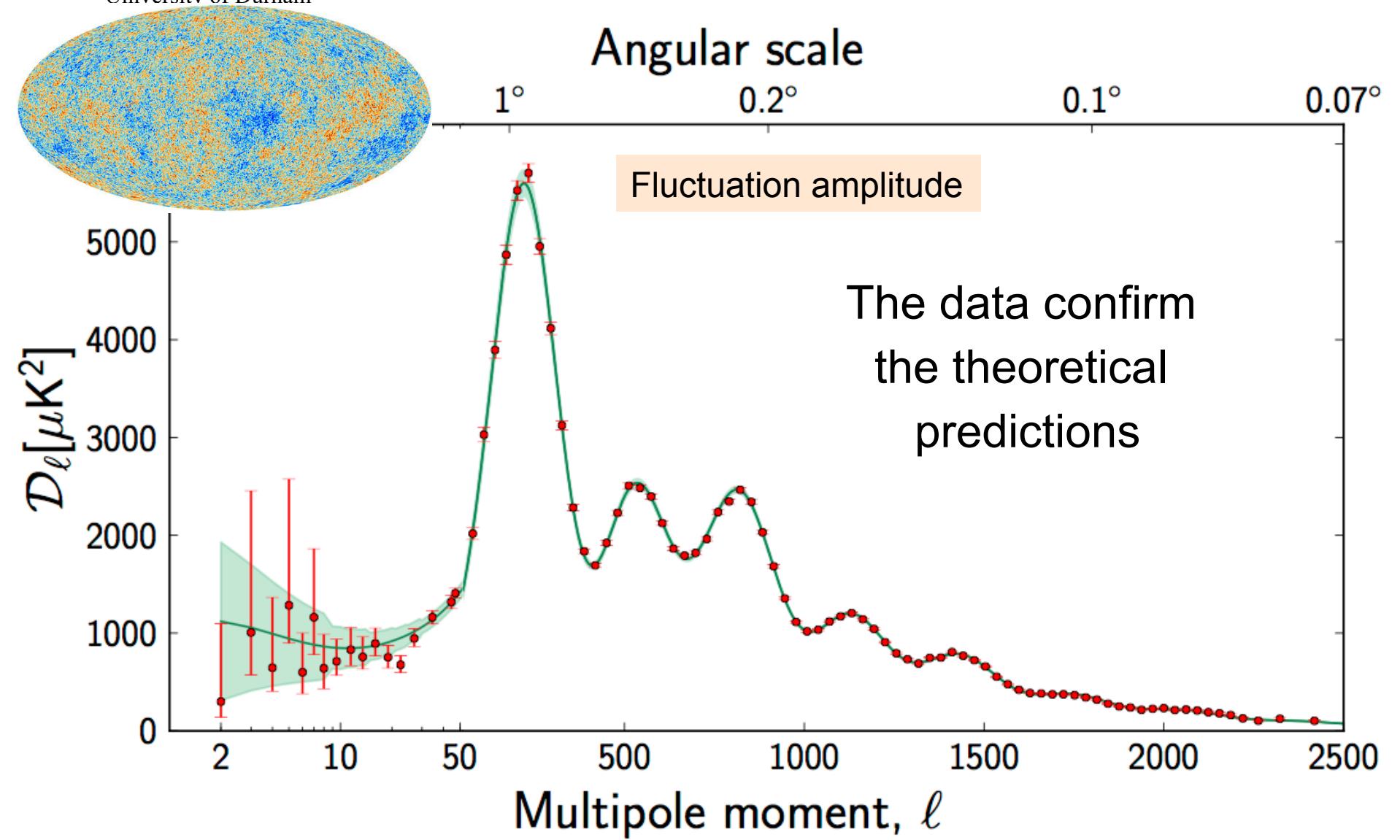
simulated

# The initial conditions for galaxy formation



Quantum fluctuations from inflation

# Planck: CMB temperature anisotropies



Planck coll. 2015

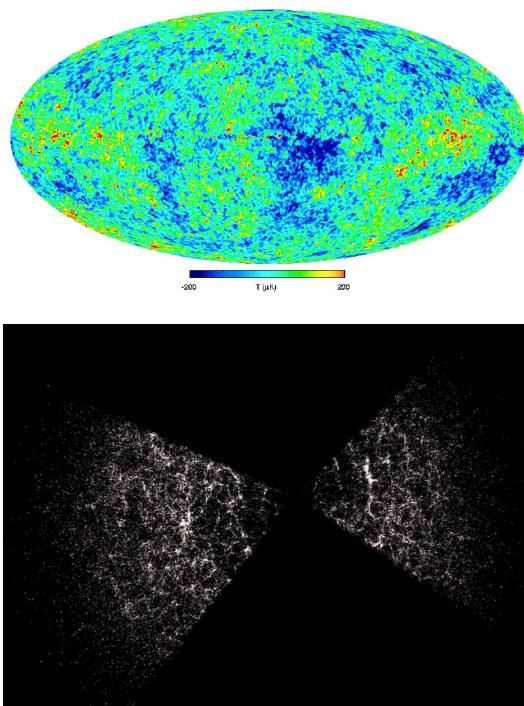
# The six parameters of minimal $\Lambda$ CDM model

*Planck+WP*

6 model parameters

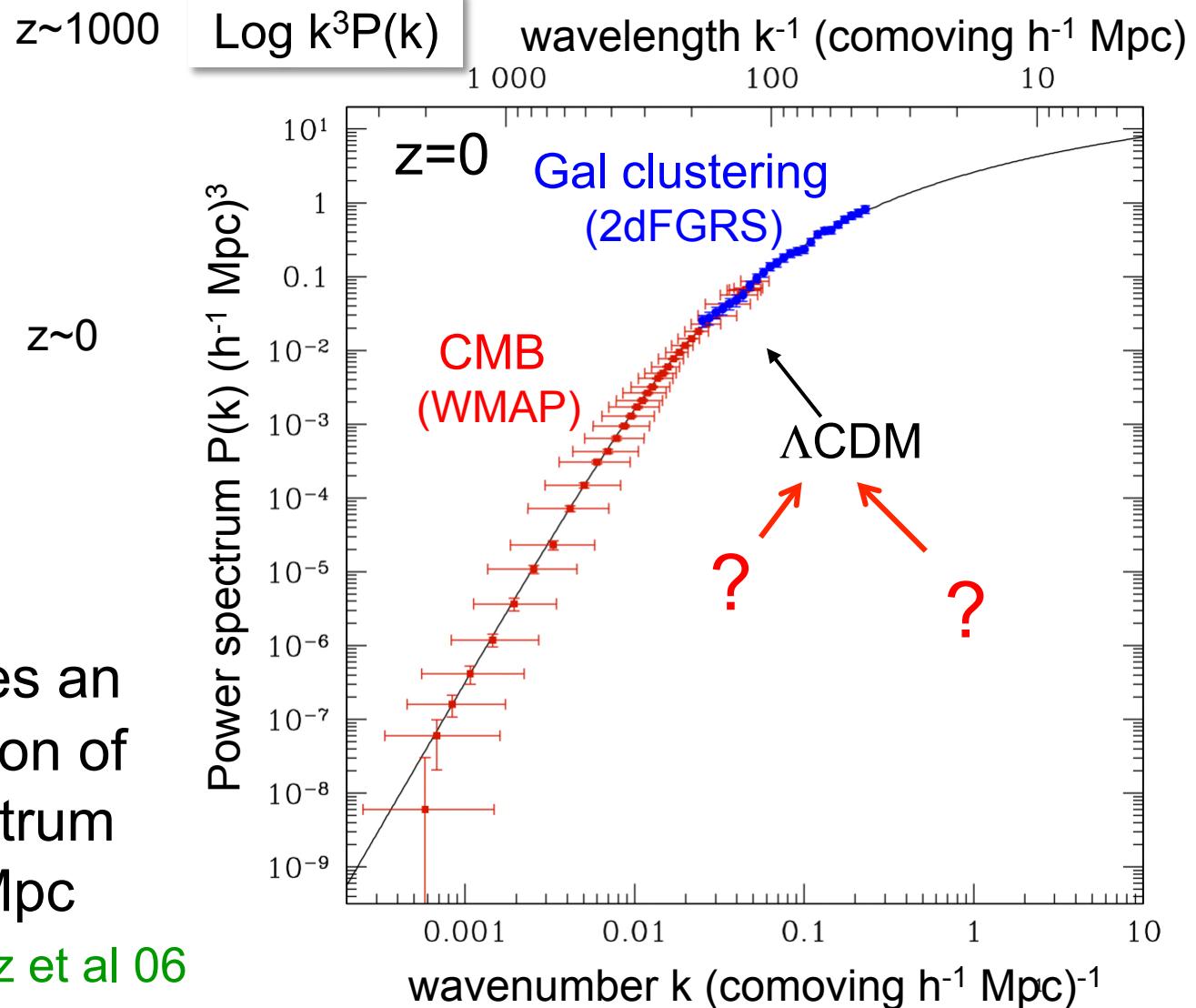
Parameter	Best fit	68% limits
$\Omega_b h^2$ . . . . .	0.022032	$0.02205 \pm 0.00028$
$\Omega_c h^2$ . . . . .	0.12038	$0.119 \pm 0.0027$
$100\theta_{\text{MC}}$ . . . . .	$1.0419$	$1.04131 \pm 0.00063$
$\tau$ . . . . .	0.0925	$0.089^{+0.012}_{-0.014}$
$n_s$ . . . . .	0.9619	$0.9603 \pm 0.0073$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$ . . . . .	3.0980	$3.089^{+0.024}_{-0.027}$

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



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

Sanchez et al 06



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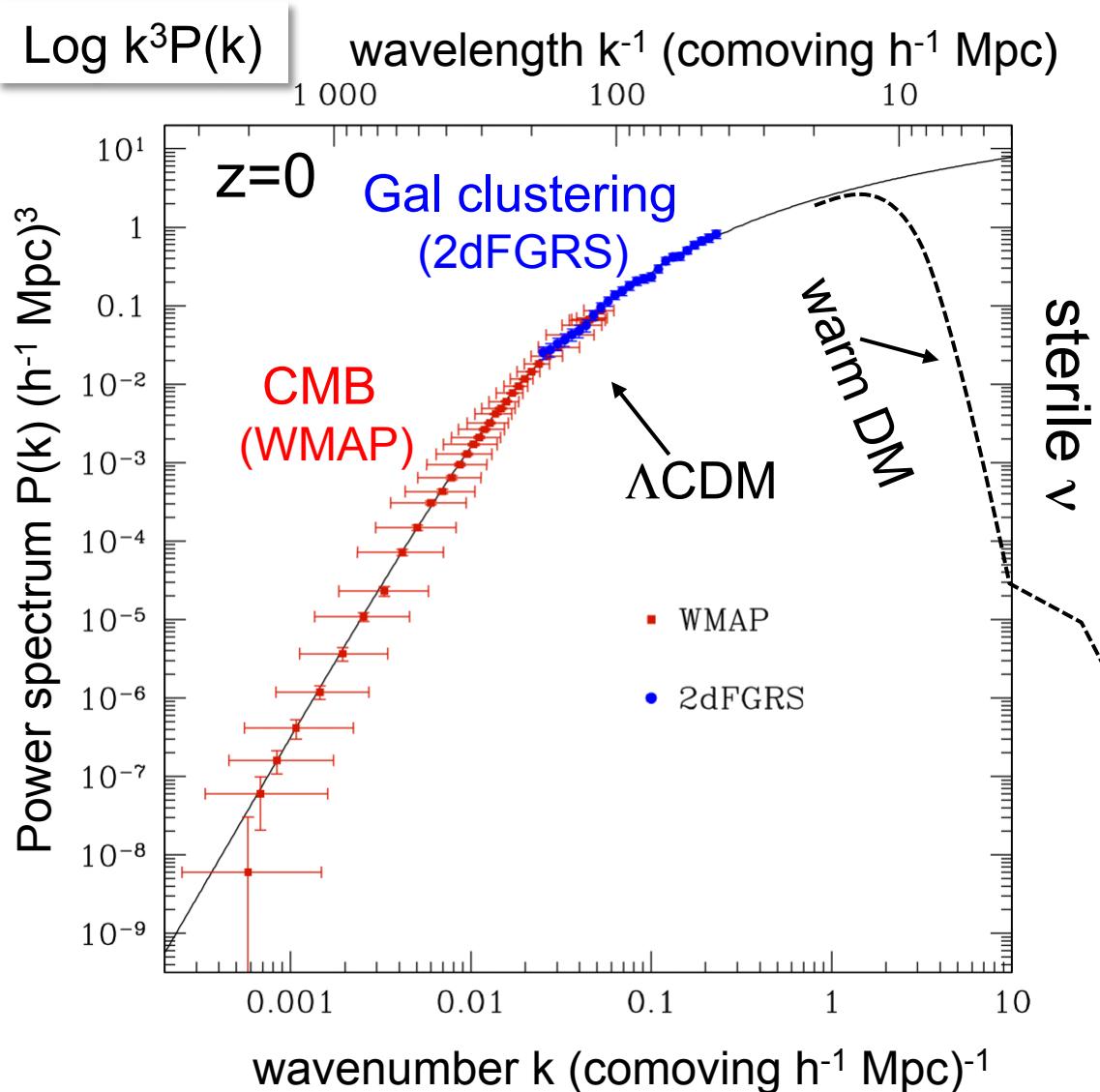
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Both CDM & WDM compatible with CMB & galaxy clustering

Claims that both types of DM have been discovered:

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

Very unlikely that both are right!

# 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):

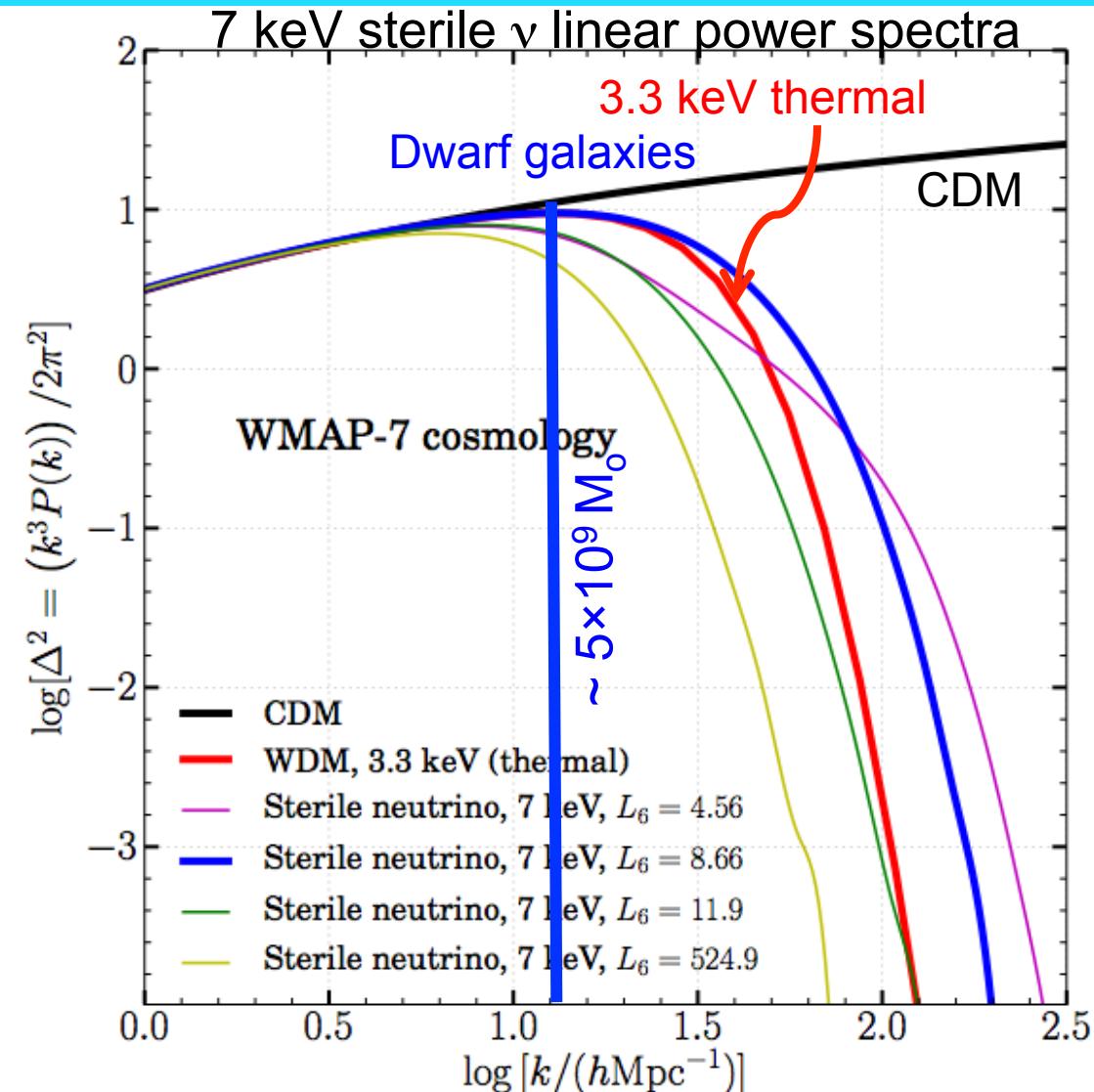
- Extension of SM w. 3 sterile neutrinos: 2 of GeV; 1 of keV mass
- If  $\Omega_N = \Omega_{DM}$ , 2 parameters: mass, lepton asymmetry/mixing angle
- GeV particles may be detected at CERN (SHiP)
- Dark matter candidate can be detected by X-rays decay

# 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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Obvious test: count satellites in MW or M31

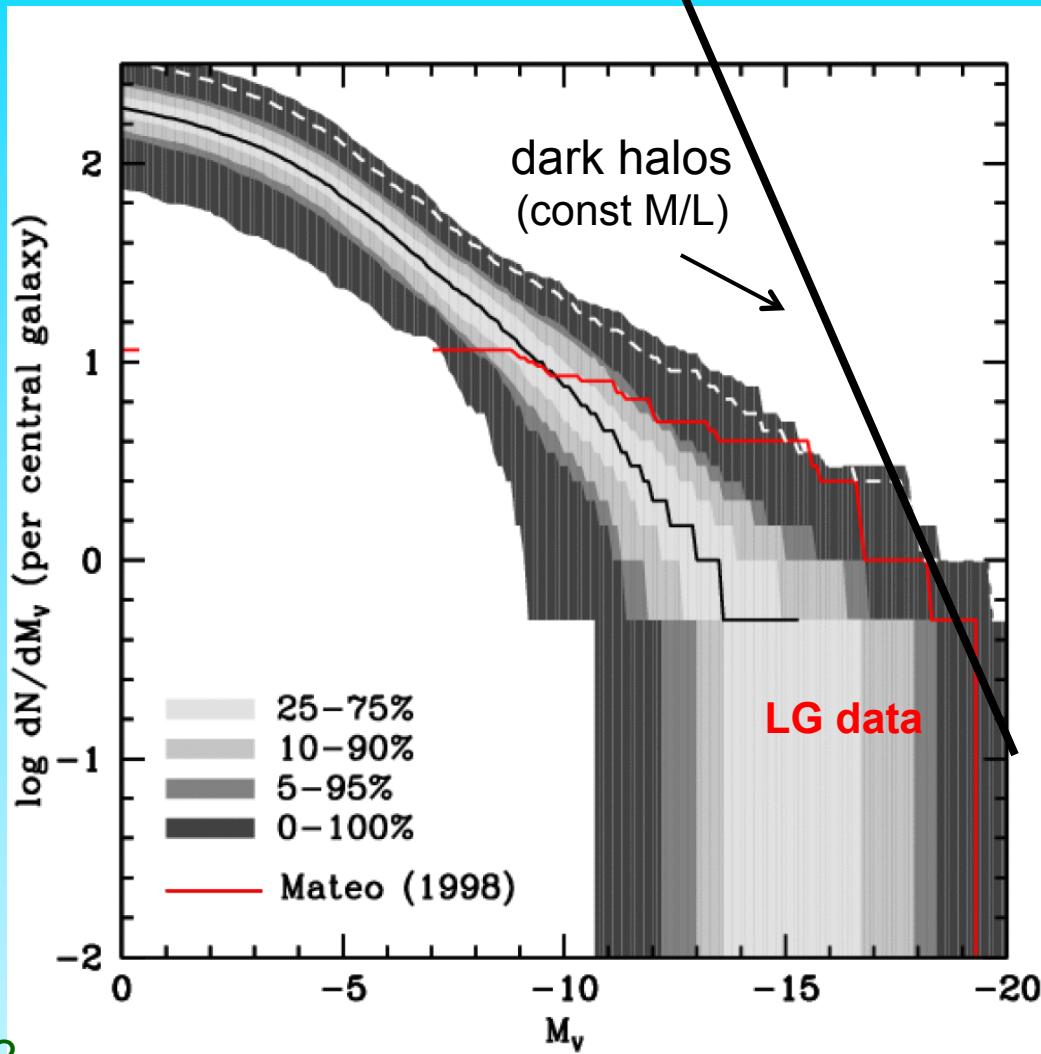
In the MW: ~50 satellites discovered so far

This argument is **WRONG!**

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# Luminosity Function of Local Group Satellites

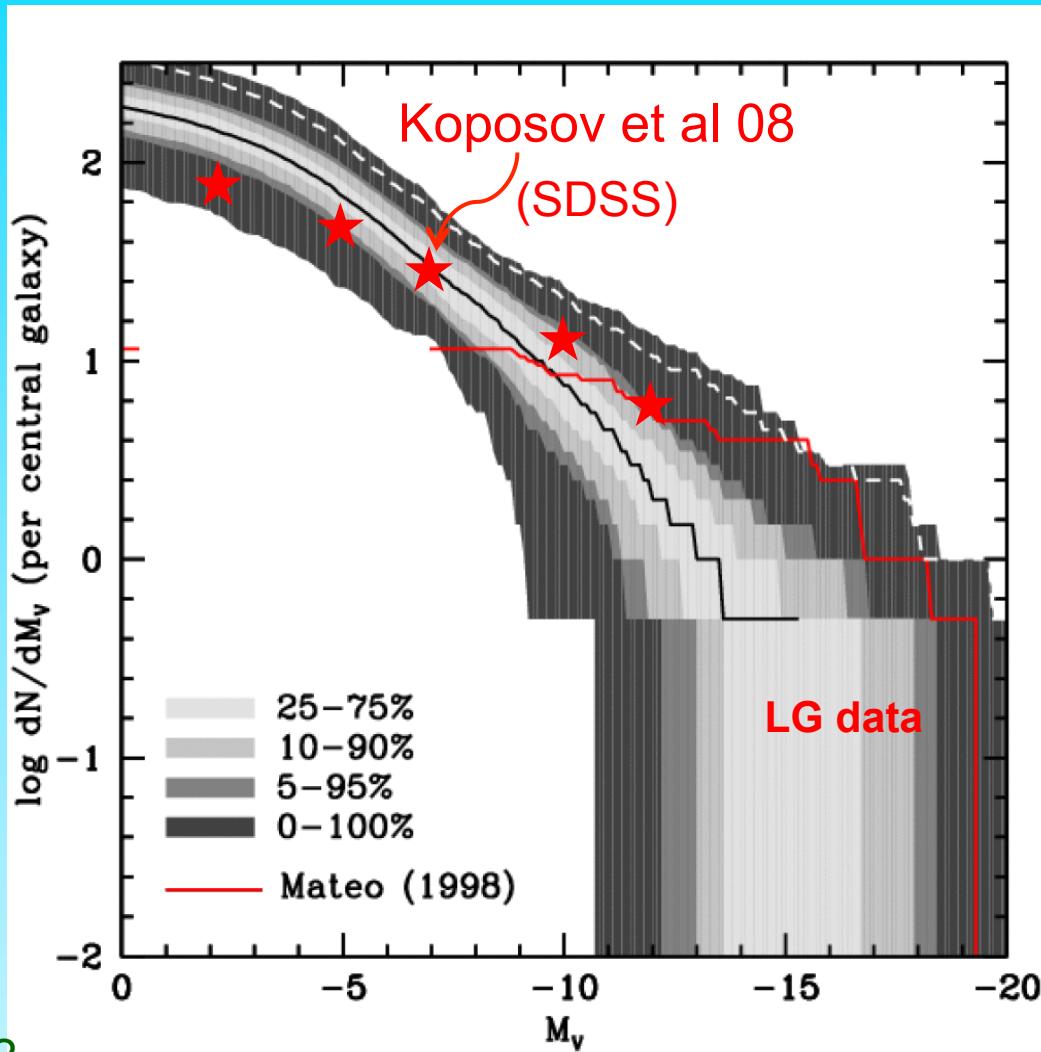
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 VIRGO

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“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.

**Leiden:** Rob Crain, Joop Schaye.

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

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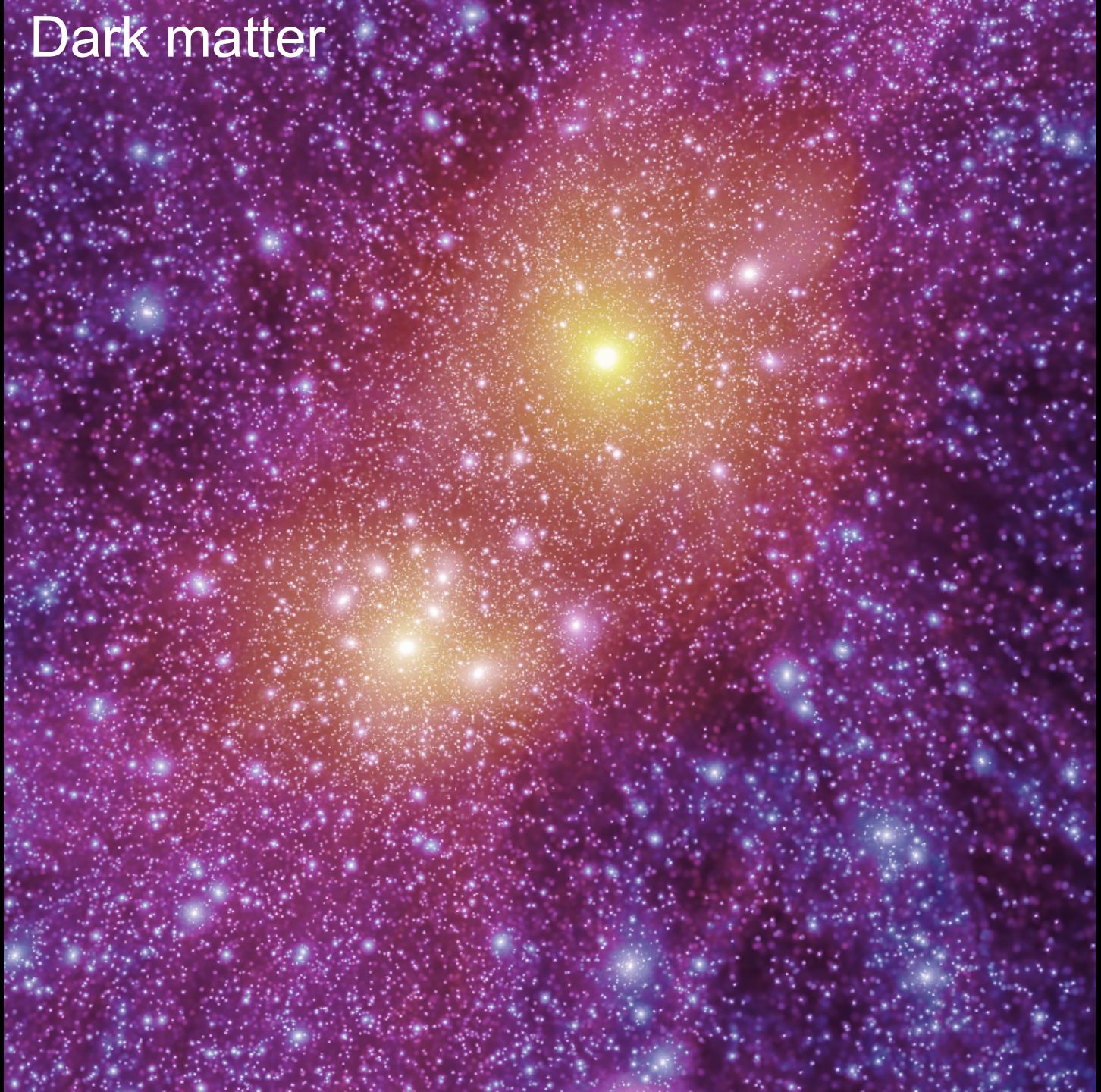
Dark matter

APOSTLE  
EAGLE full  
hydro  
simulations

Local Group

CDM

Sawala et al '15



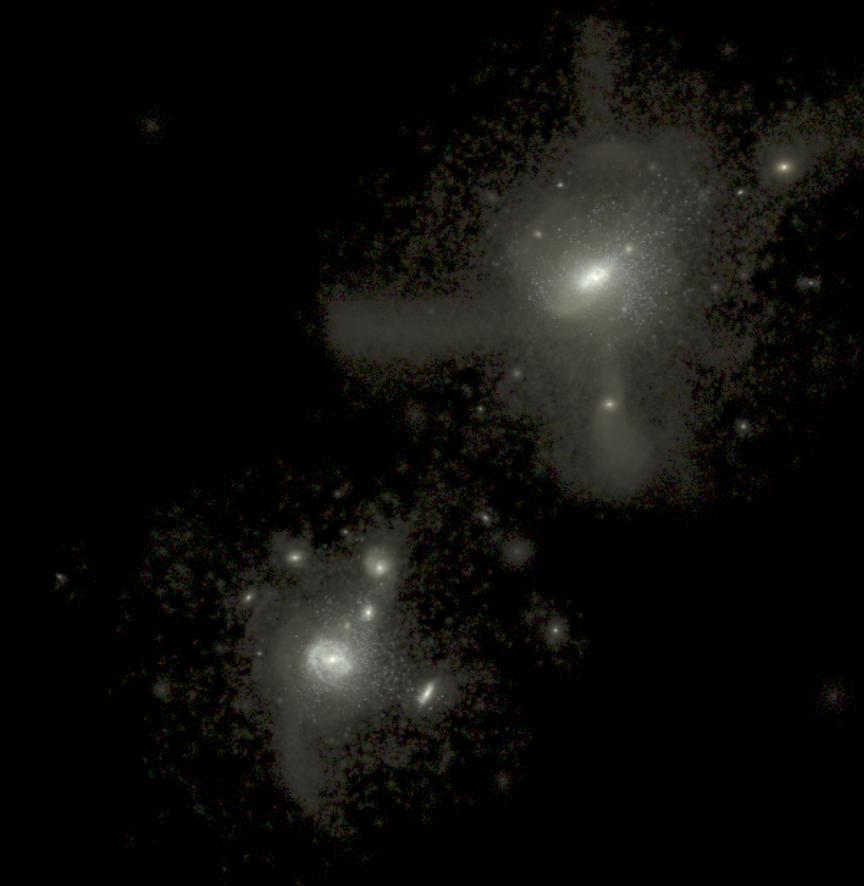


Stars

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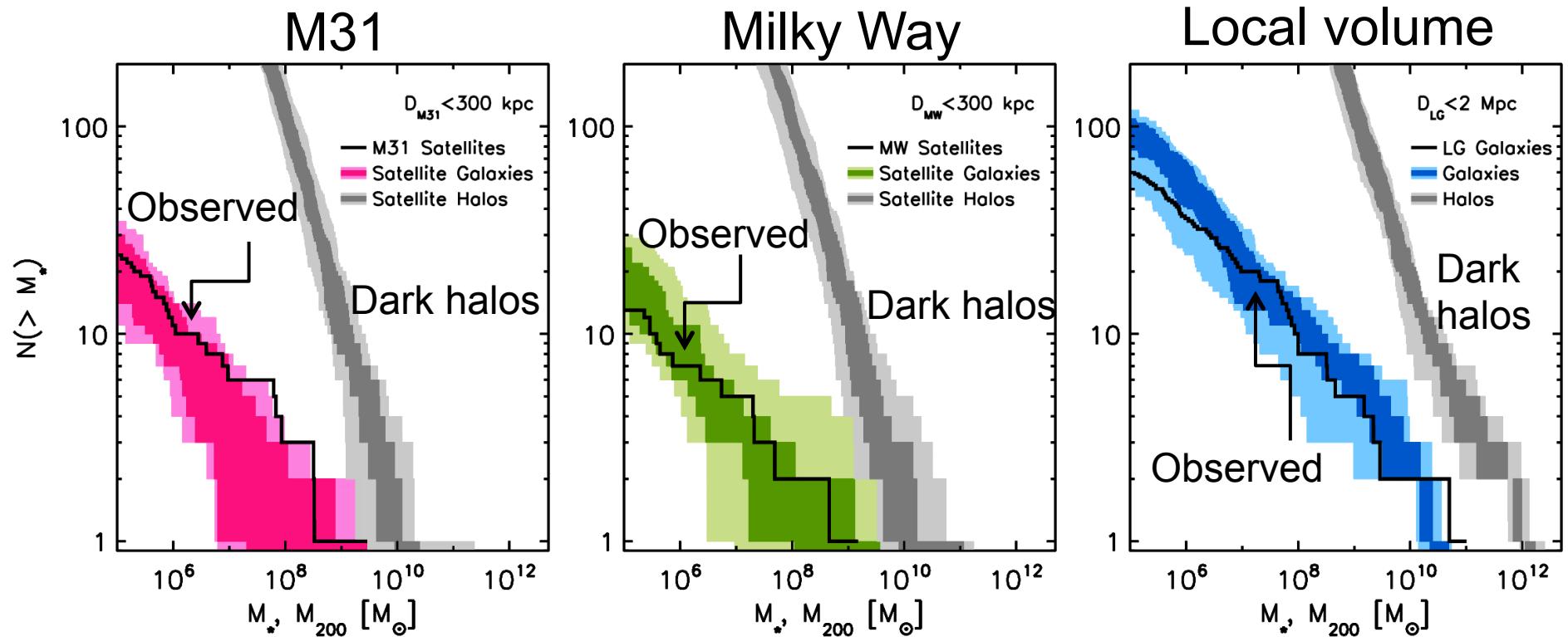
Local Group



Far fewer satellite galaxies than CDM halos

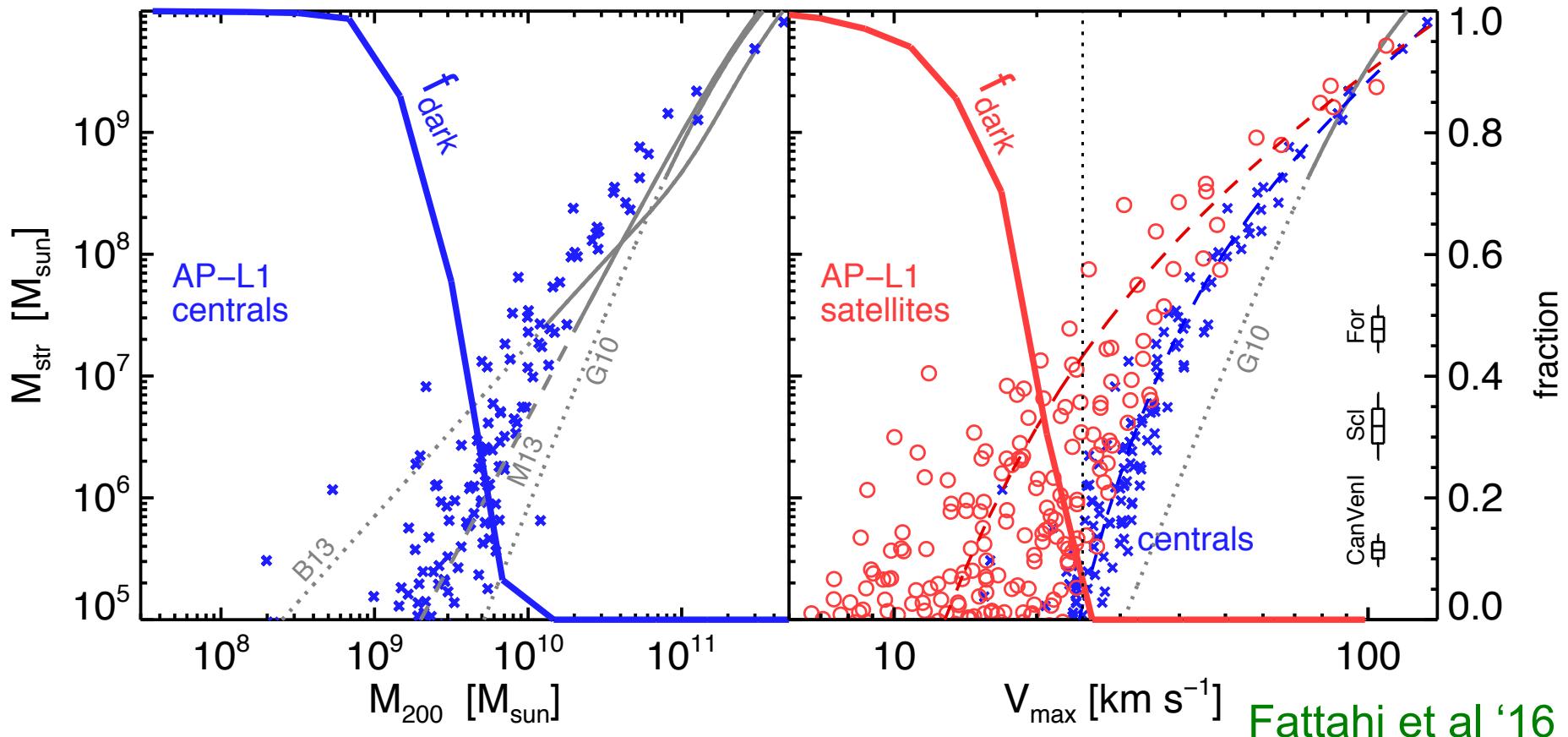
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# EAGLE Local Group simulation



# Fraction of dark subhalos

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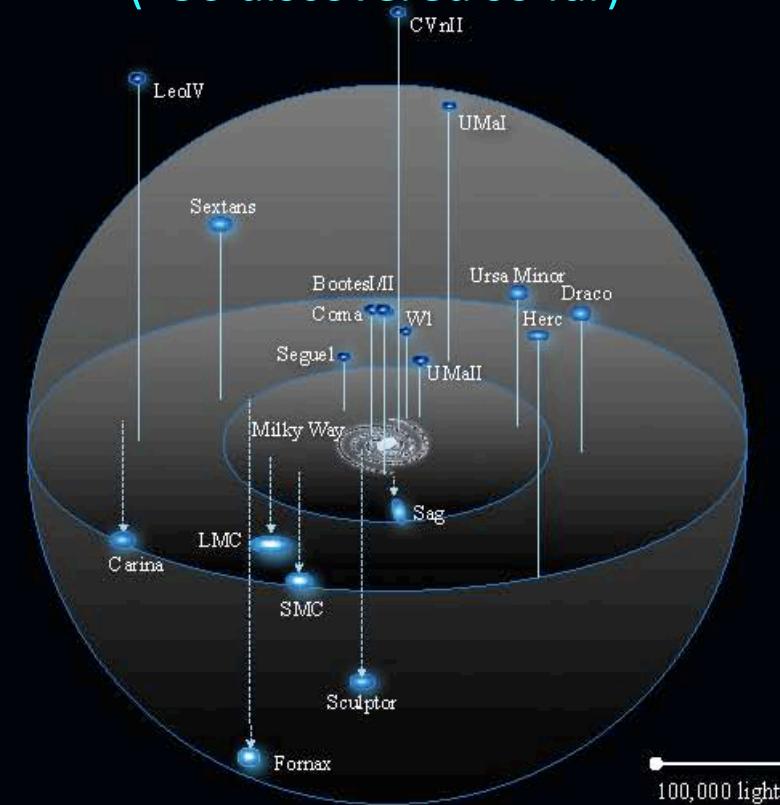


All halos of mass  $< 10^9 M_{\odot}$  or  $V_{\max} < 7 \text{ km/s}$  are dark

# How about in WDM?

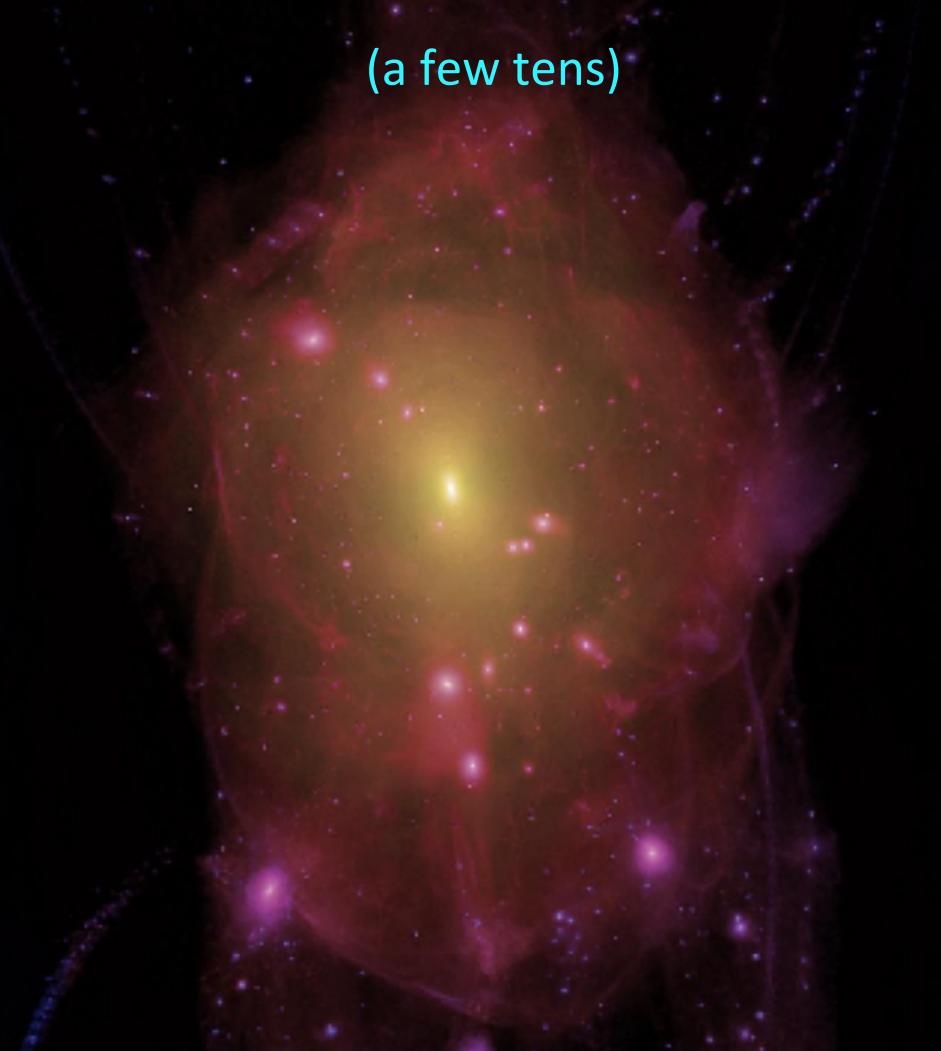
The satellites of the MW

(~50 discovered so far)



Dark matter subhalos in WDM

(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

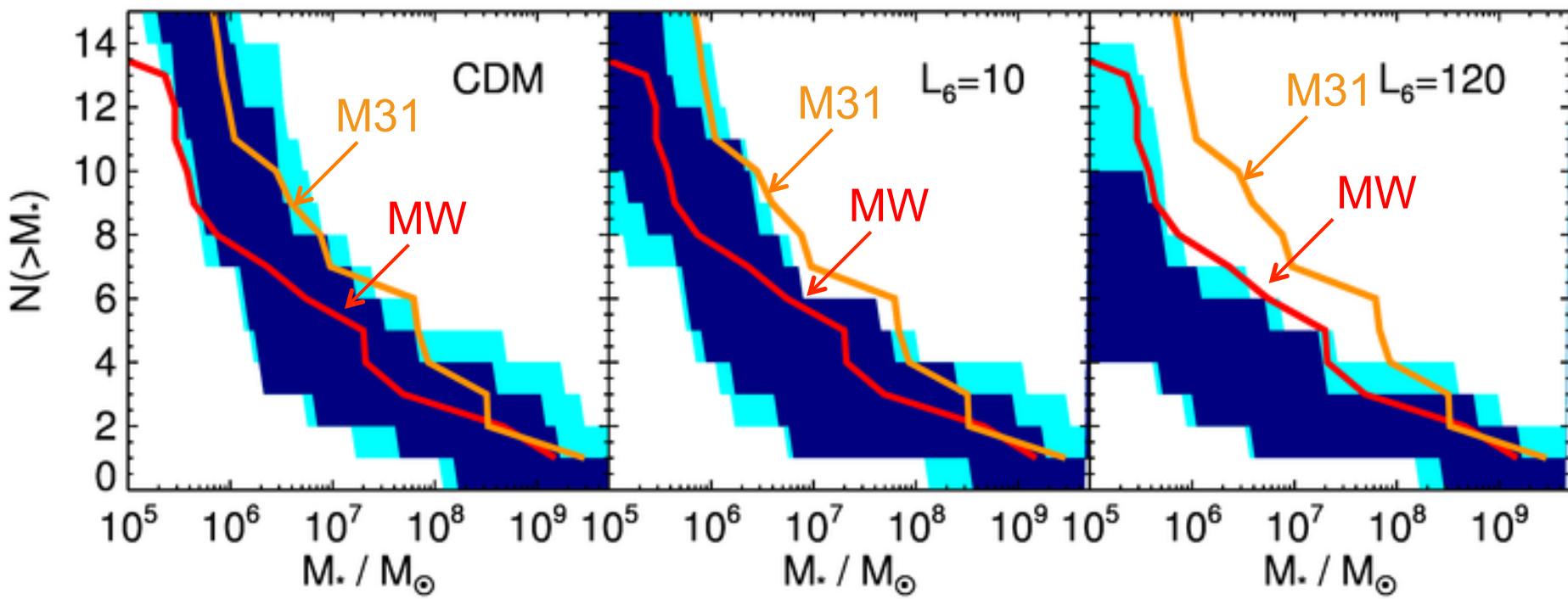
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# Luminosity Function of Local Group Satellites in WDM

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



Lovell et al. '16

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

“Too-big-to-fail” problem in CDM:

N-body CDM sims produce too many massive subhalos  
(e.g. >10 with  $V_{\max} > 30$  km/s)

BUT: Milky Way has only 3 sats with  $V_{\max} > 30$  km/s

Why did the big subhalos  
not make a galaxy?

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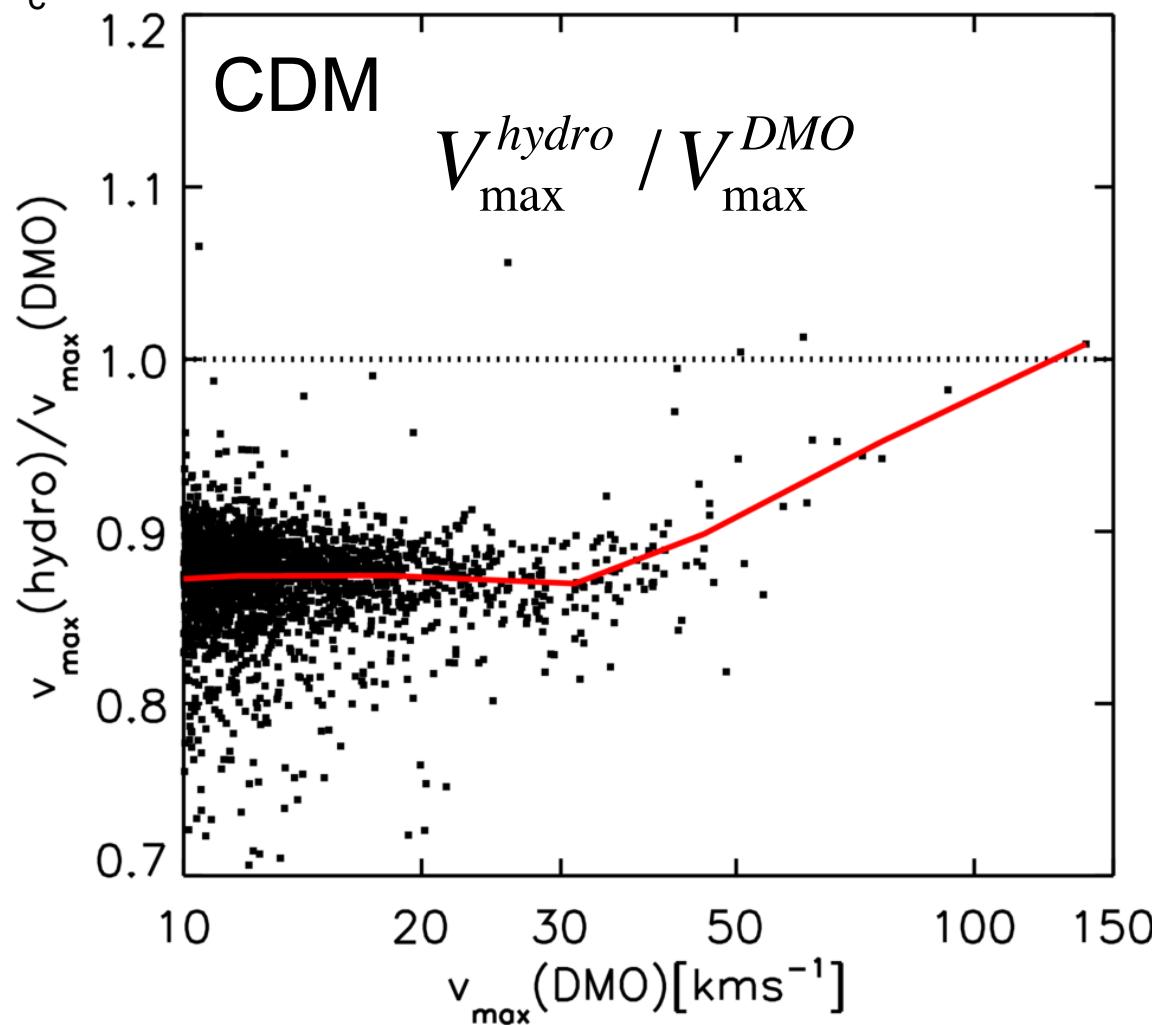
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Reduction in  $V_{\max}$  due to  
SN feedback:

→ Lowers halo mass &  
thus halo growth rate

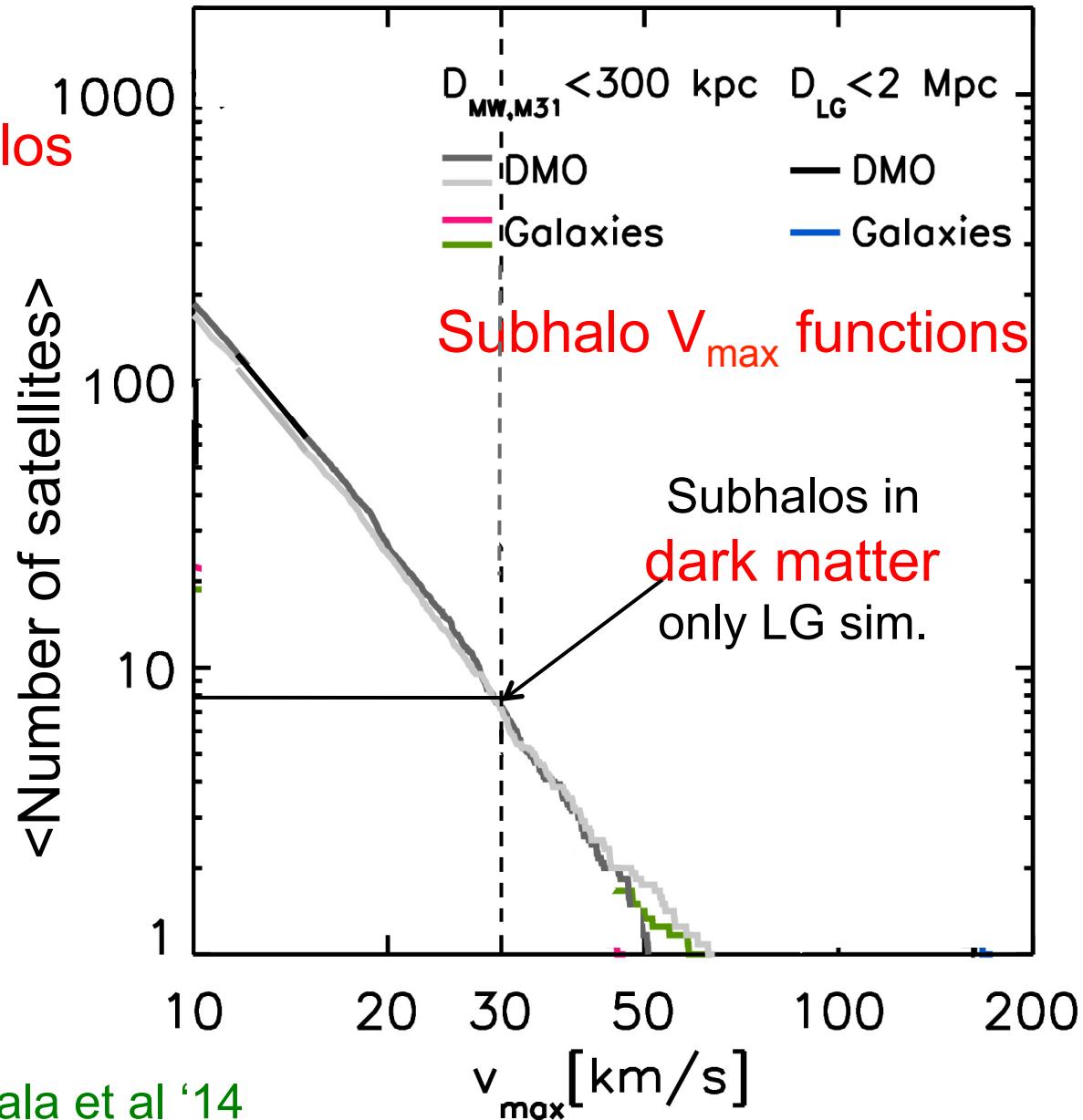


# To-big-to-fail in CDM: baryon effects



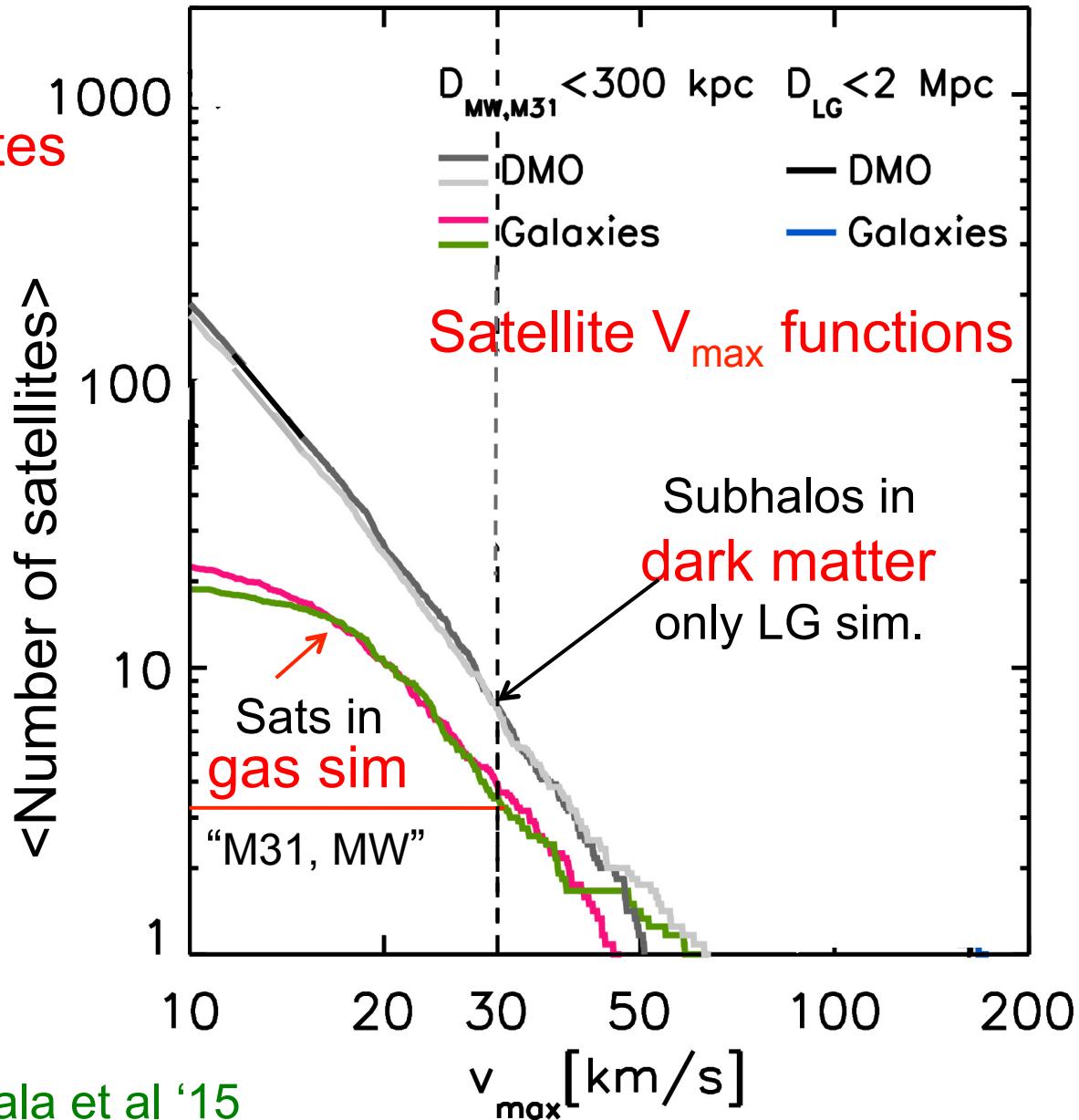
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DM only sims  $\rightarrow \sim 10$  halos  
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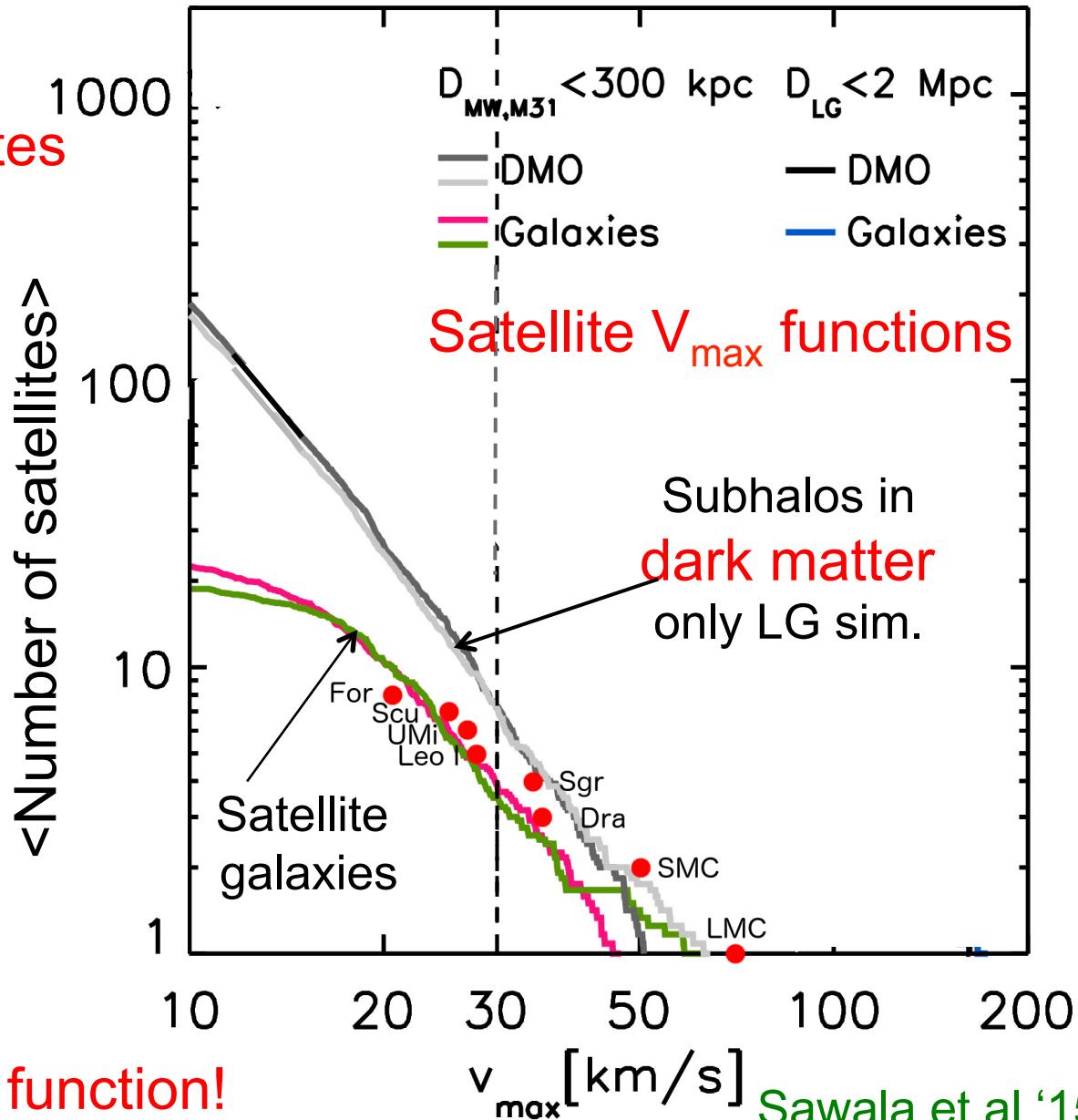
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No too-big-to-fail problem in CDM



When “baryon effects” are included

# The core-cusp problem

cold dark matter

warm dark matter

Halos and subhalos in CDM & WDM have  
cuspy NFW profiles

$$\frac{\rho(r)}{\rho_{crit}} = \frac{\delta_c}{(r/r_s)(1+r/r_s)^2}$$

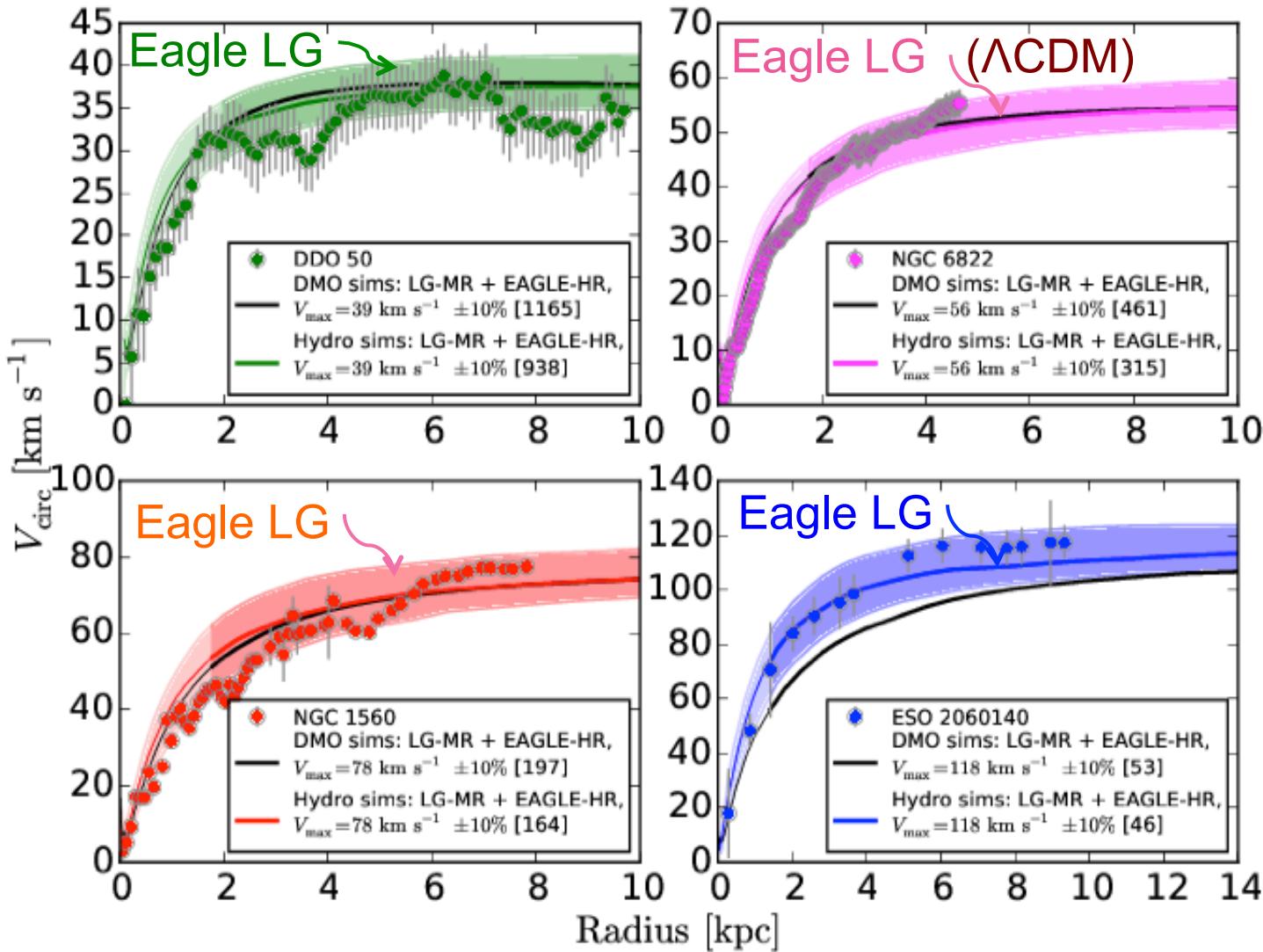
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# The diversity of gal rotation curves

Four rotation curves that are well fit by  $\Lambda$ CDM

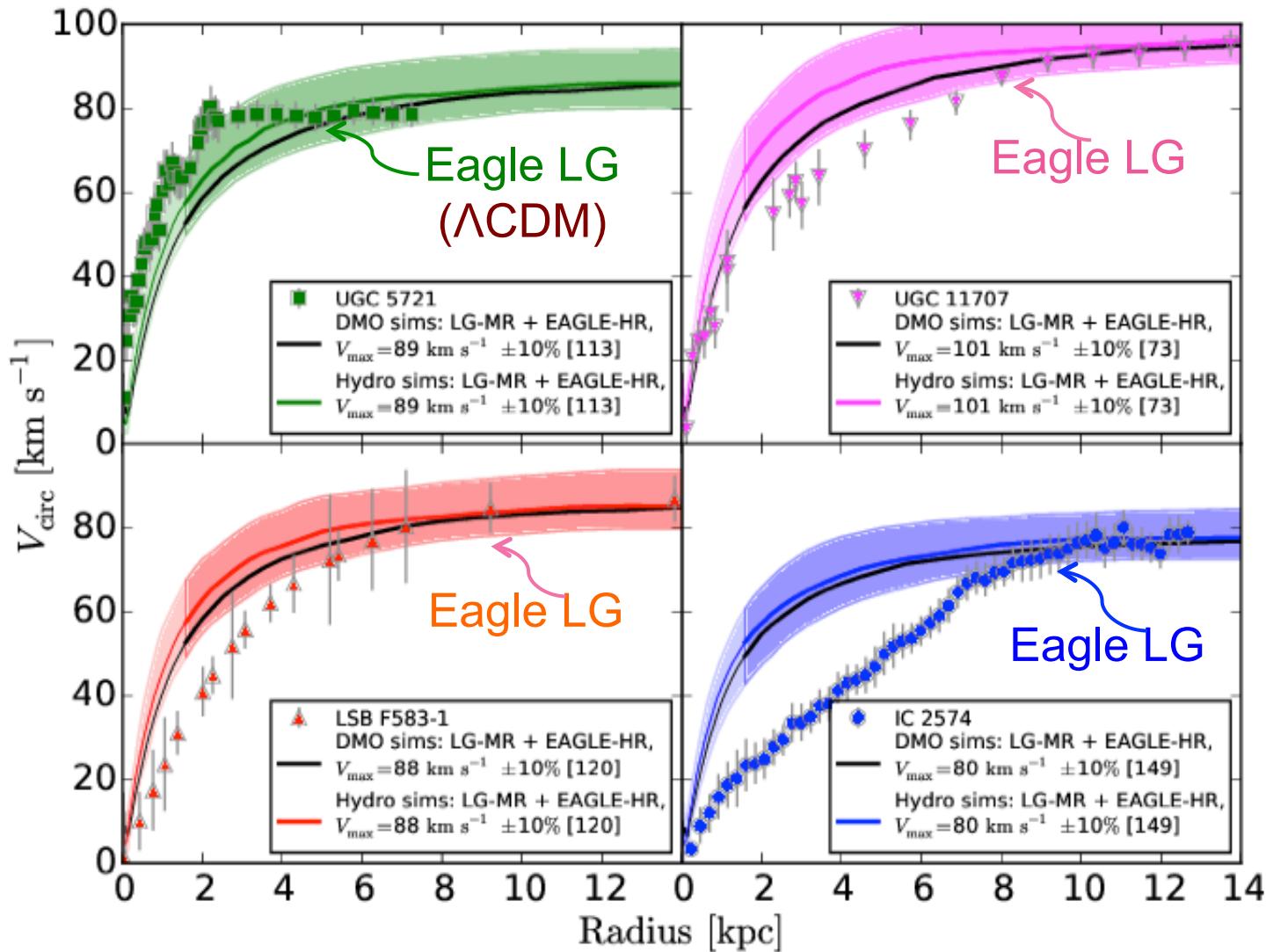
(from dwarfs to  $\sim L_*$ )



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# Cores or cusps?

Core are generally thought to exist in some galaxies

But, do they???

# The cores of dwarf galaxy haloes

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## ABSTRACT

We use  $N$ -body simulations to examine the effects of mass outflows on the density profiles of cold dark matter (CDM) haloes surrounding dwarf galaxies. In particular, we investigate the consequences of supernova-driven winds that expel a large fraction of the baryonic component from a dwarf galaxy disc after a vigorous episode of star formation. We show that this sudden loss of mass leads to the formation of a core in the dark matter density profile, although the original halo is modelled by a coreless (Hernquist) profile. The core radius thus created is a sensitive function of the mass and radius of the baryonic disc being blown up. The loss of a disc with mass and size consistent with primordial nucleosynthesis constraints and angular momentum considerations imprints a core radius that is only a small fraction of the original scalelength of the halo. These small perturbations are, however, enough to reconcile the rotation curves of dwarf irregulars with the density profiles of haloes formed in the standard CDM scenario.

# Baryon effects in the MW satellites

Let gas cool and condense to the galactic centre

- gas self-gravitating
- star formation/burst

Rapid ejection of gas during starburst → a core in the halo dark matter density profile

Navarro, Eke, Frenk '96

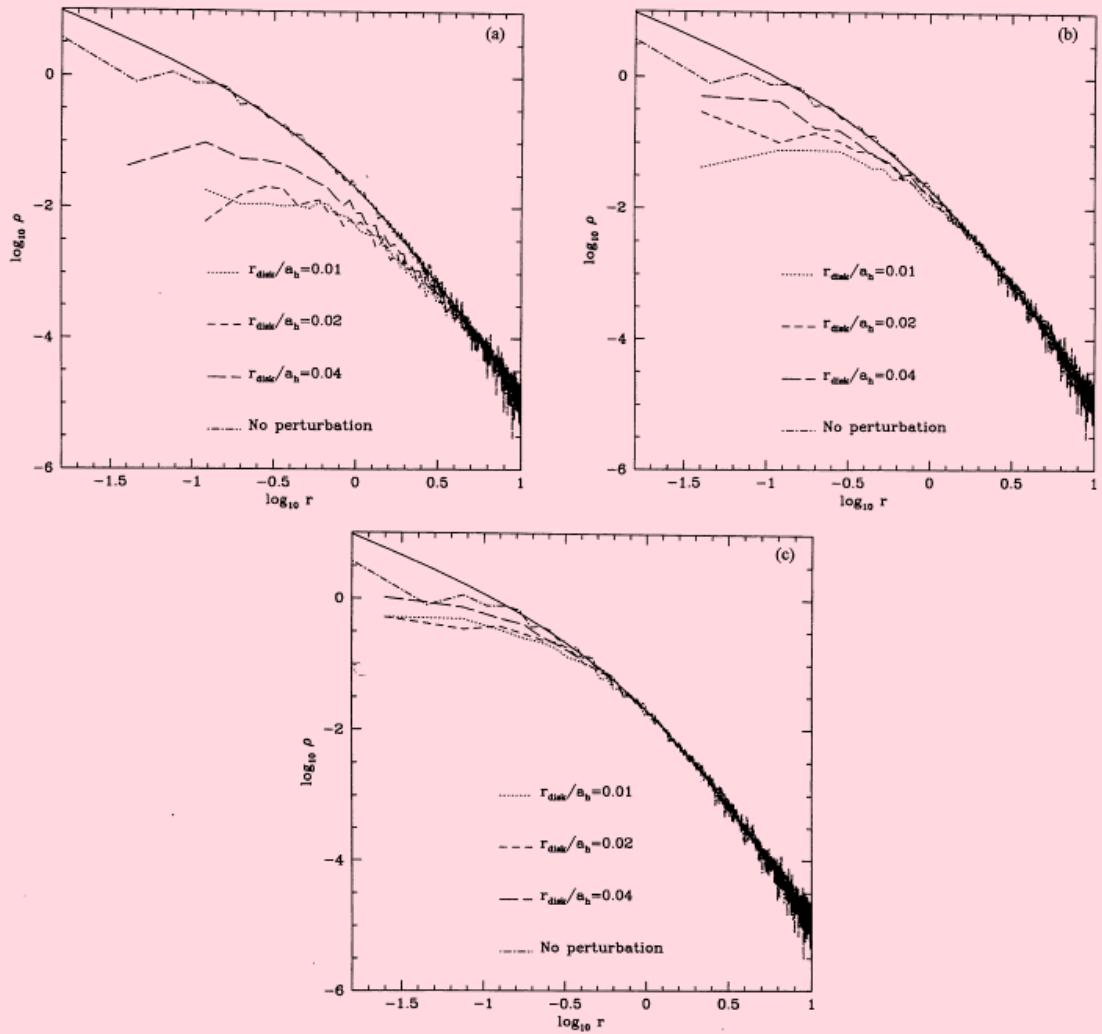
Governato et al. '12

Pontzen & Governato '12

Brooks et al. '12

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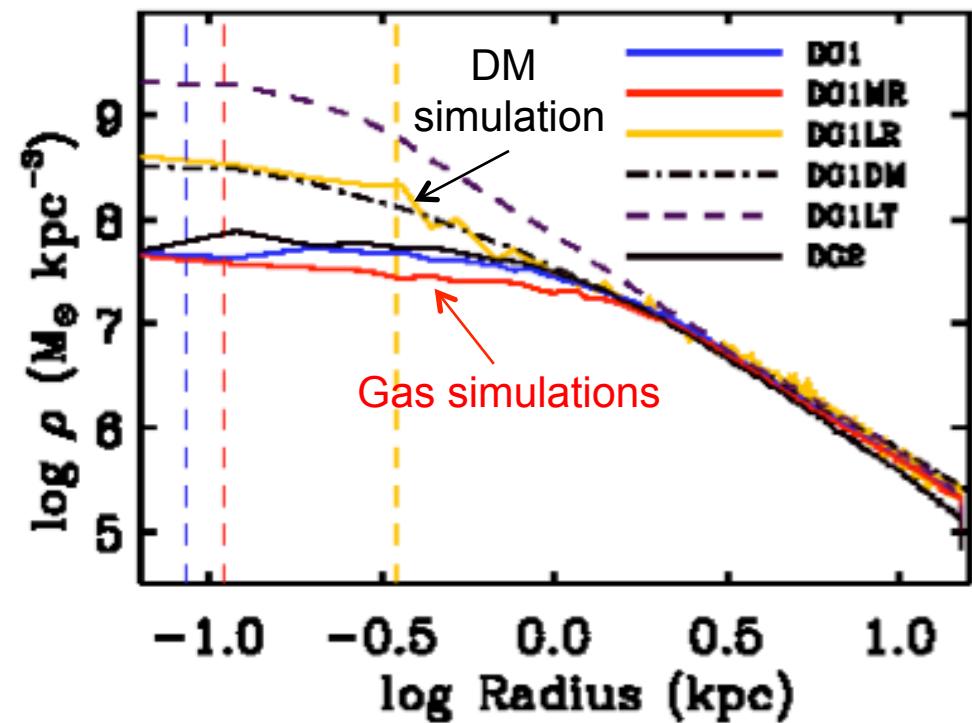


**Figure 3.** Equilibrium density profiles of haloes after removal of the disc. The solid line is the original Hernquist profile, common to all cases. The dot-dashed line is the equilibrium profile of the 10 000-particle realization of the Hernquist model run in isolation at  $t=200$ . (a)  $M_{\text{disc}}=0.2$ . (b)  $M_{\text{disc}}=0.1$ . (c)  $M_{\text{disc}}=0.05$ .

# Cores in dwarf galaxy simulations

Governato et al. assume high density threshold for star formation

- EAGLE does not
- High threshold allows large gas mass to accumulate in centre
- Sudden repeated removal of gas transfers binding energy



Governato et al. '10  
Pontzen et al. '11



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

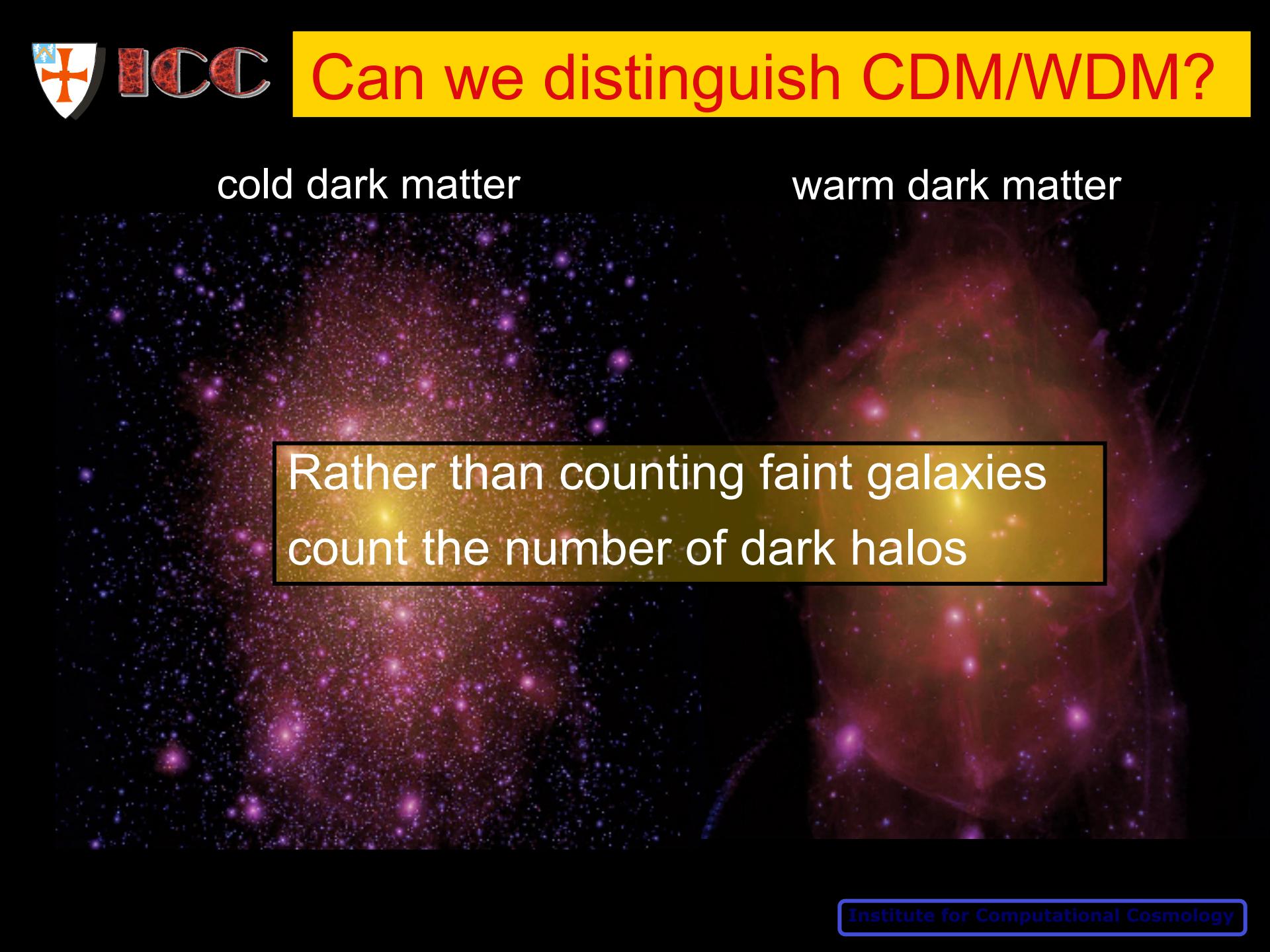
There is no need for  
despair: there is a way  
to distinguish them



# Can we distinguish CDM/WDM?

cold dark matter

warm dark matter

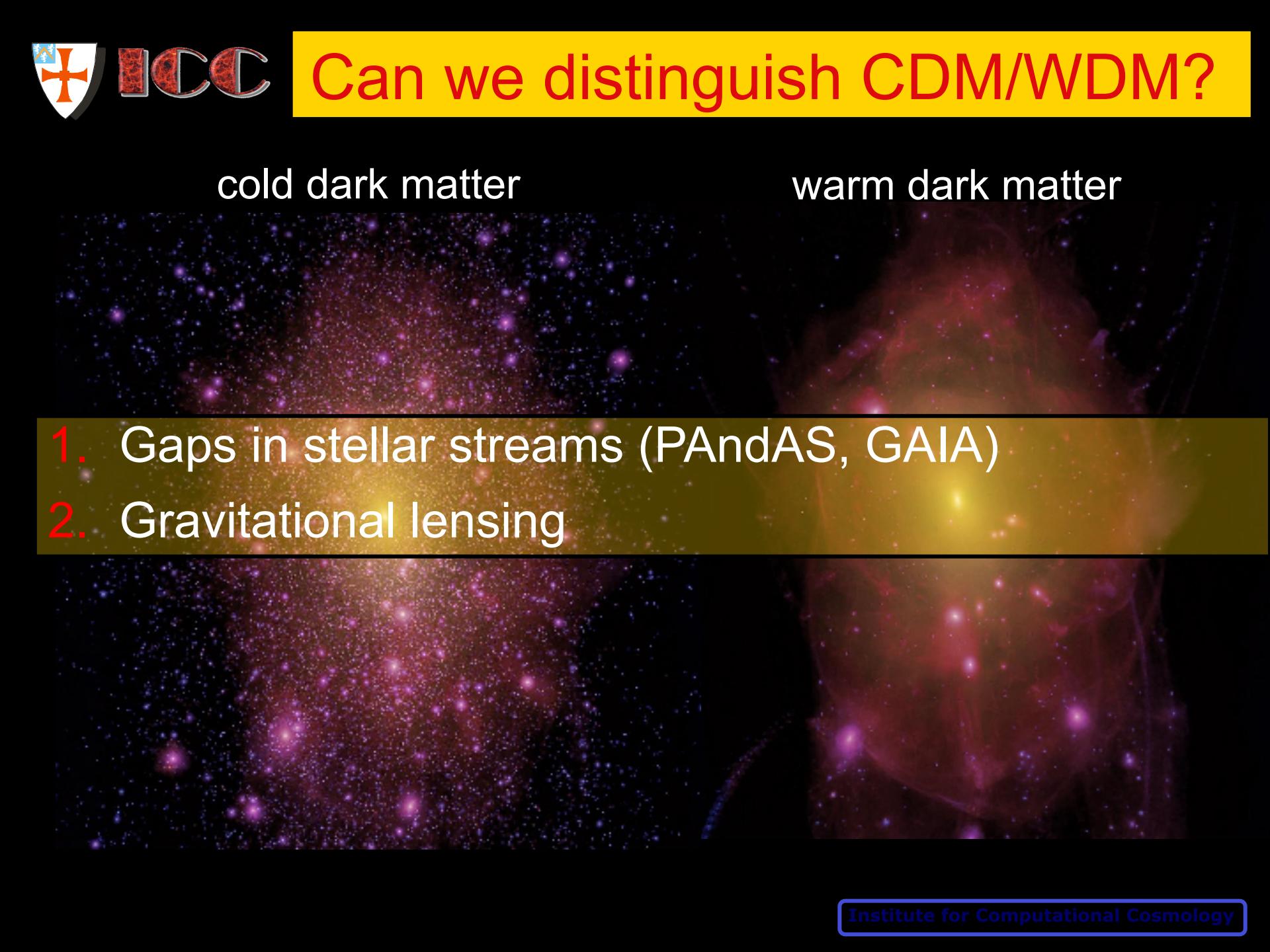
A detailed simulation of a galaxy cluster, showing numerous galaxies of varying sizes and colors (blue, white, yellow, red) against a dark background. A prominent central elliptical galaxy is visible.

Rather than counting faint galaxies  
count the number of dark halos

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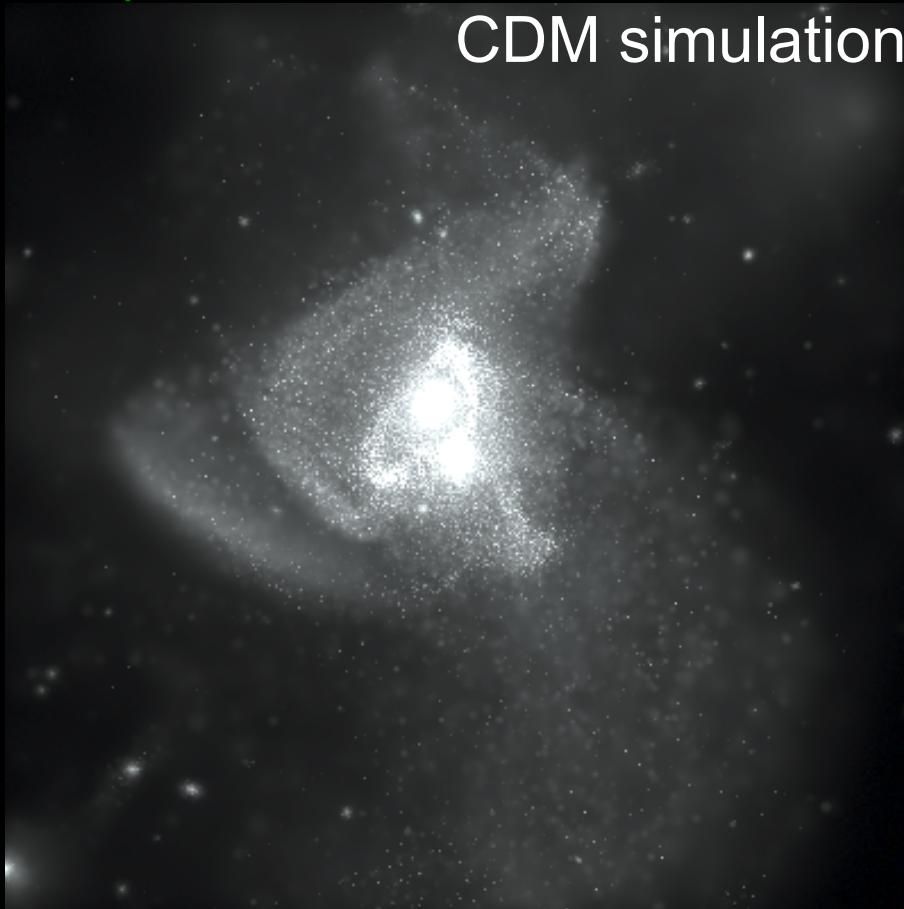
warm dark matter

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- A vibrant, multi-colored background image of a star field, showing clusters of stars in shades of purple, blue, and yellow against a dark black void.
1. Gaps in stellar streams (PAndAS, GAIA)
  2. Gravitational lensing

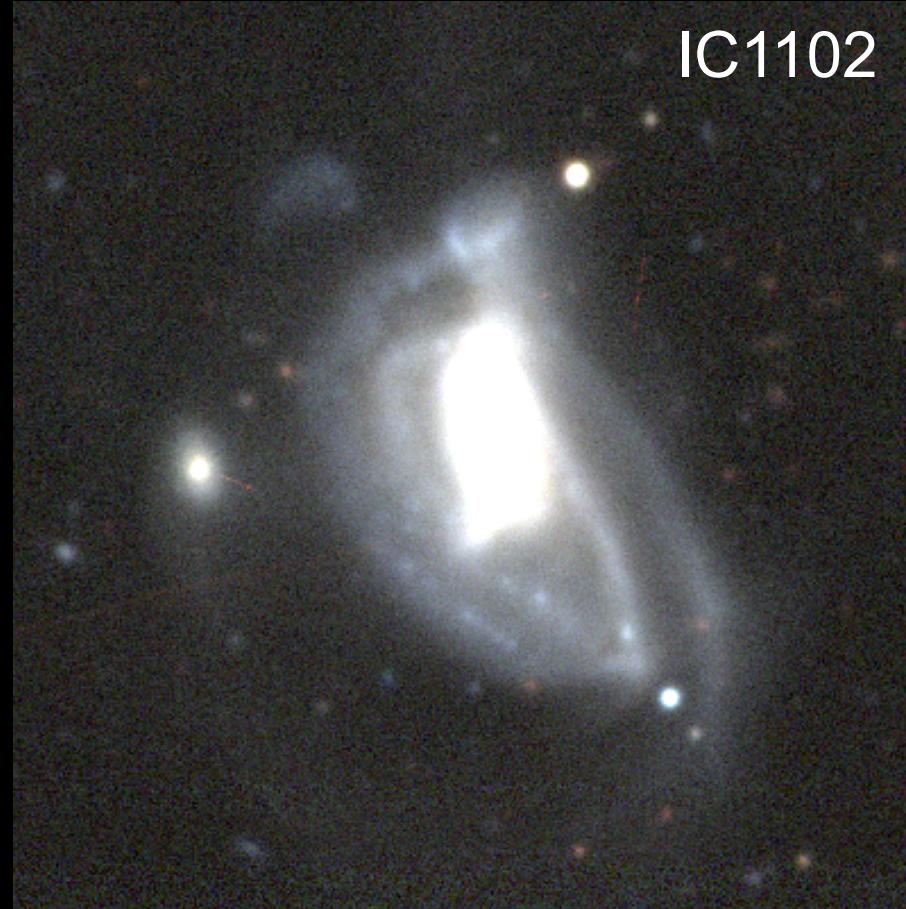
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Cooper et al '16

CDM simulation



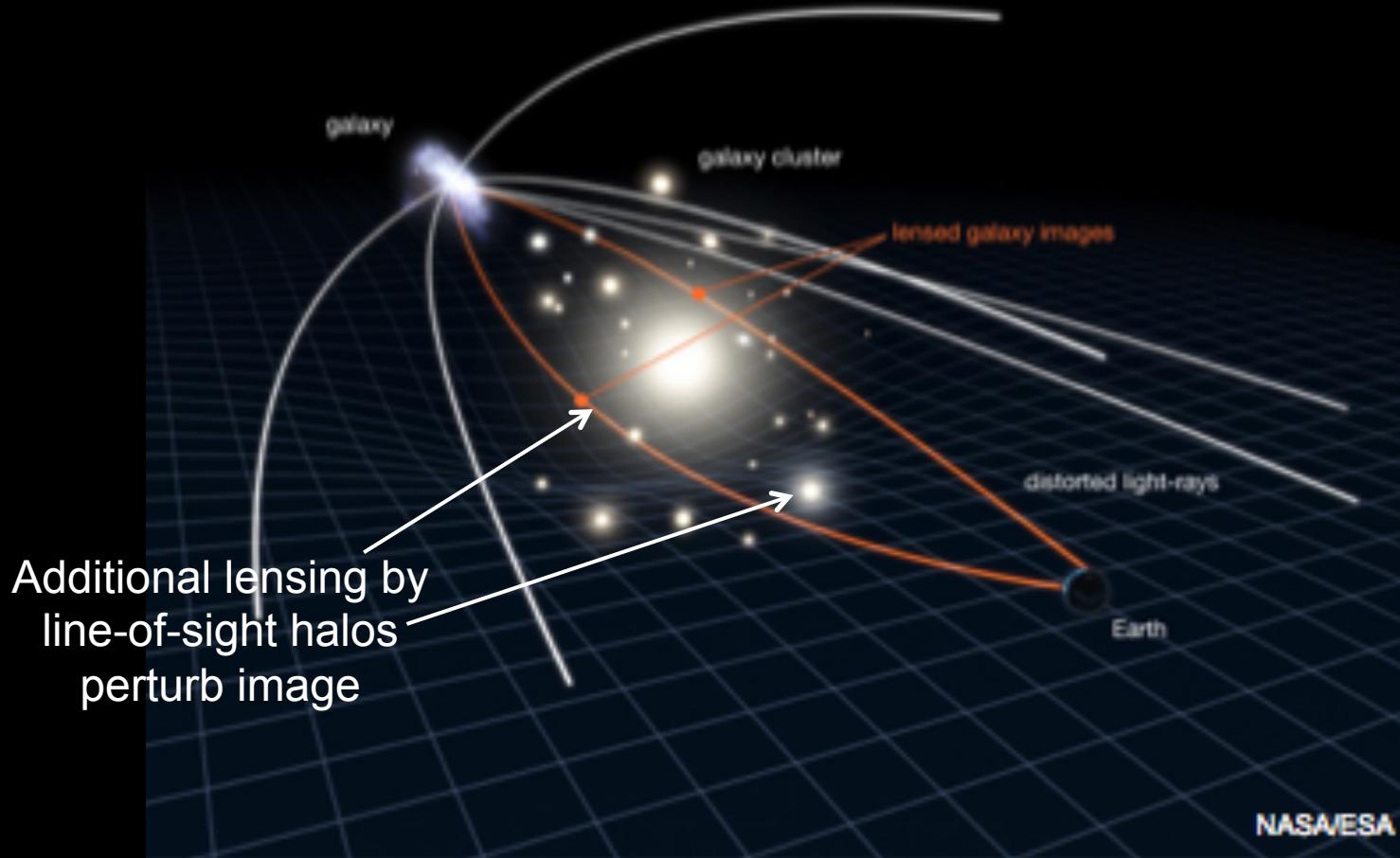
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Subhalos crossing a cold tidal stream can produce a gap

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

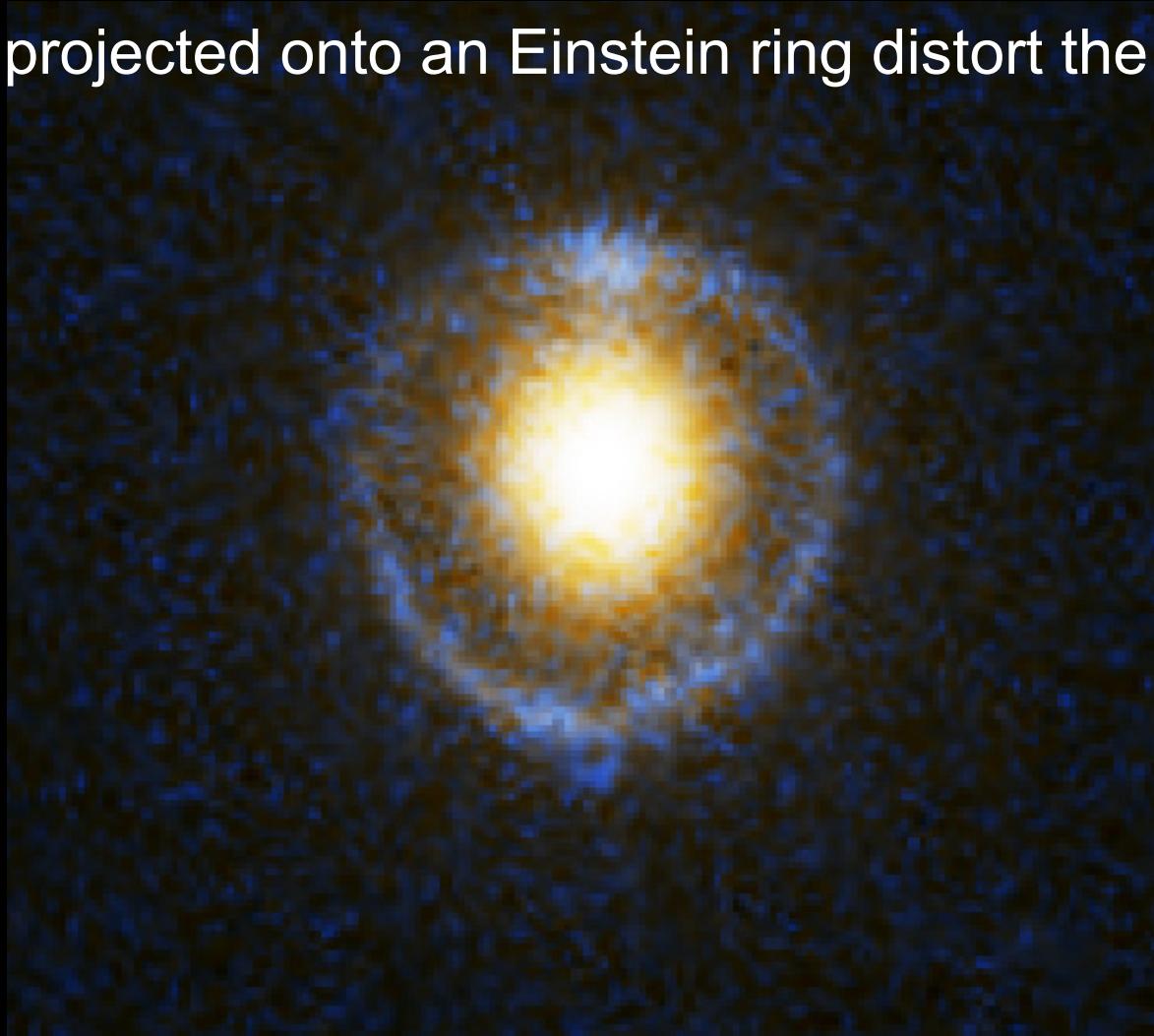
# Gravitational lensing: Einstein rings



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

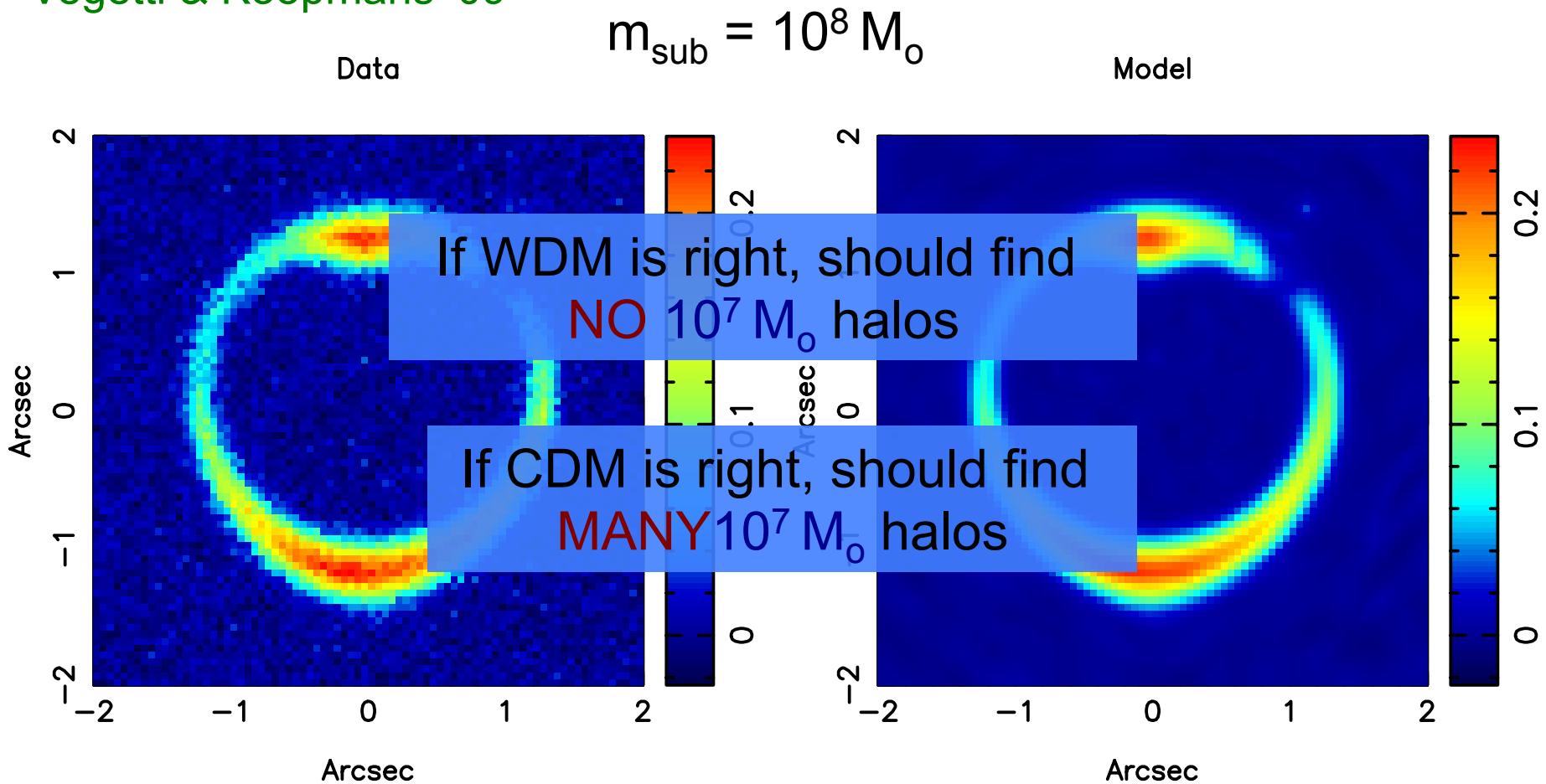
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Halos projected onto an Einstein ring distort the image



# Detecting substructures with strong lensing

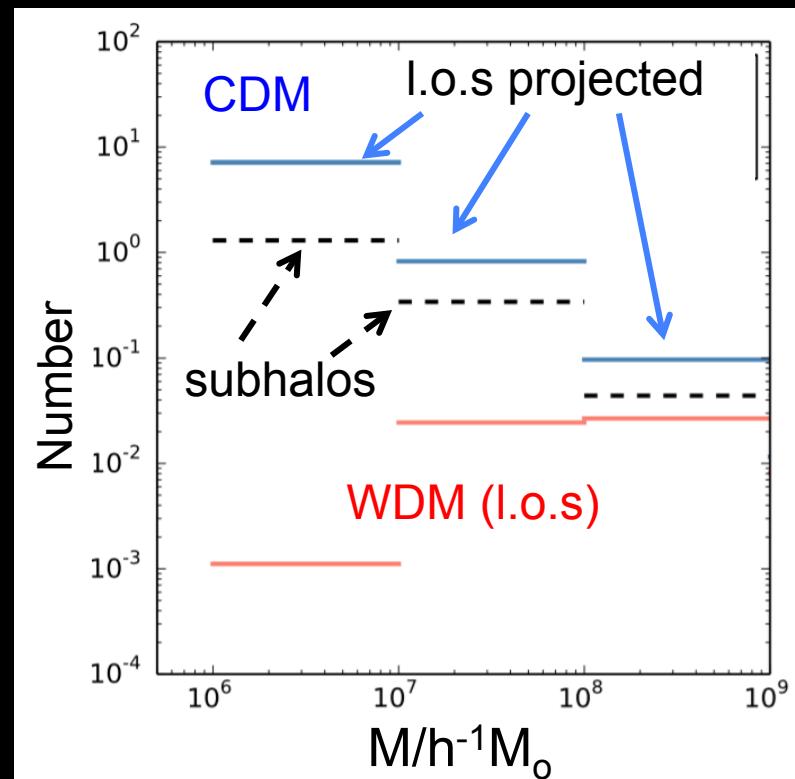
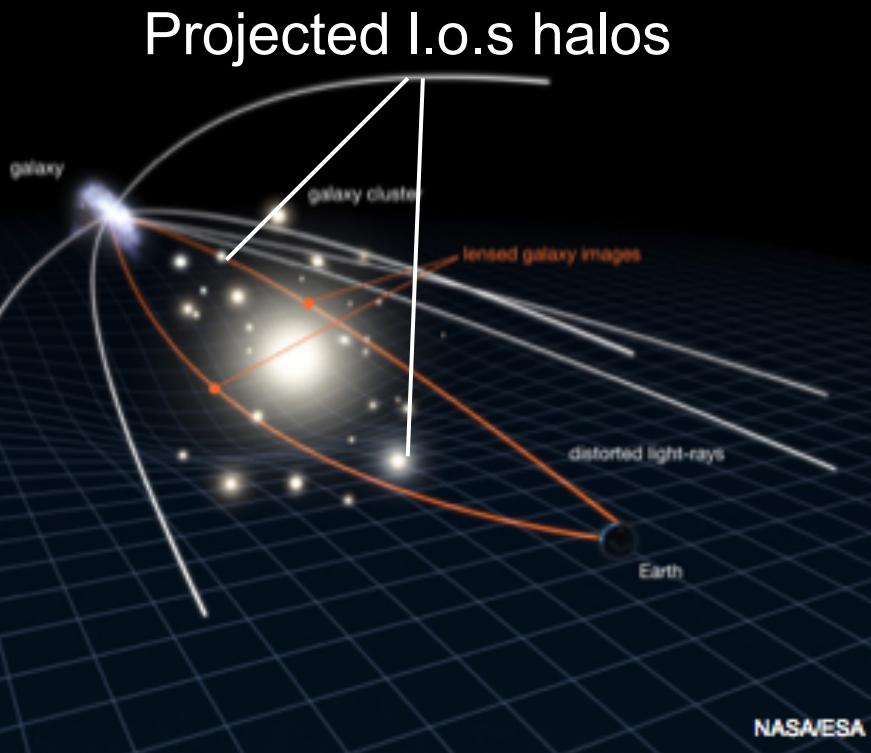
Vegetti & Koopmans '09



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

# Substructures vs interlopers

Subhalos & halos projected along the l.o.s both lens



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

# The halo mass function

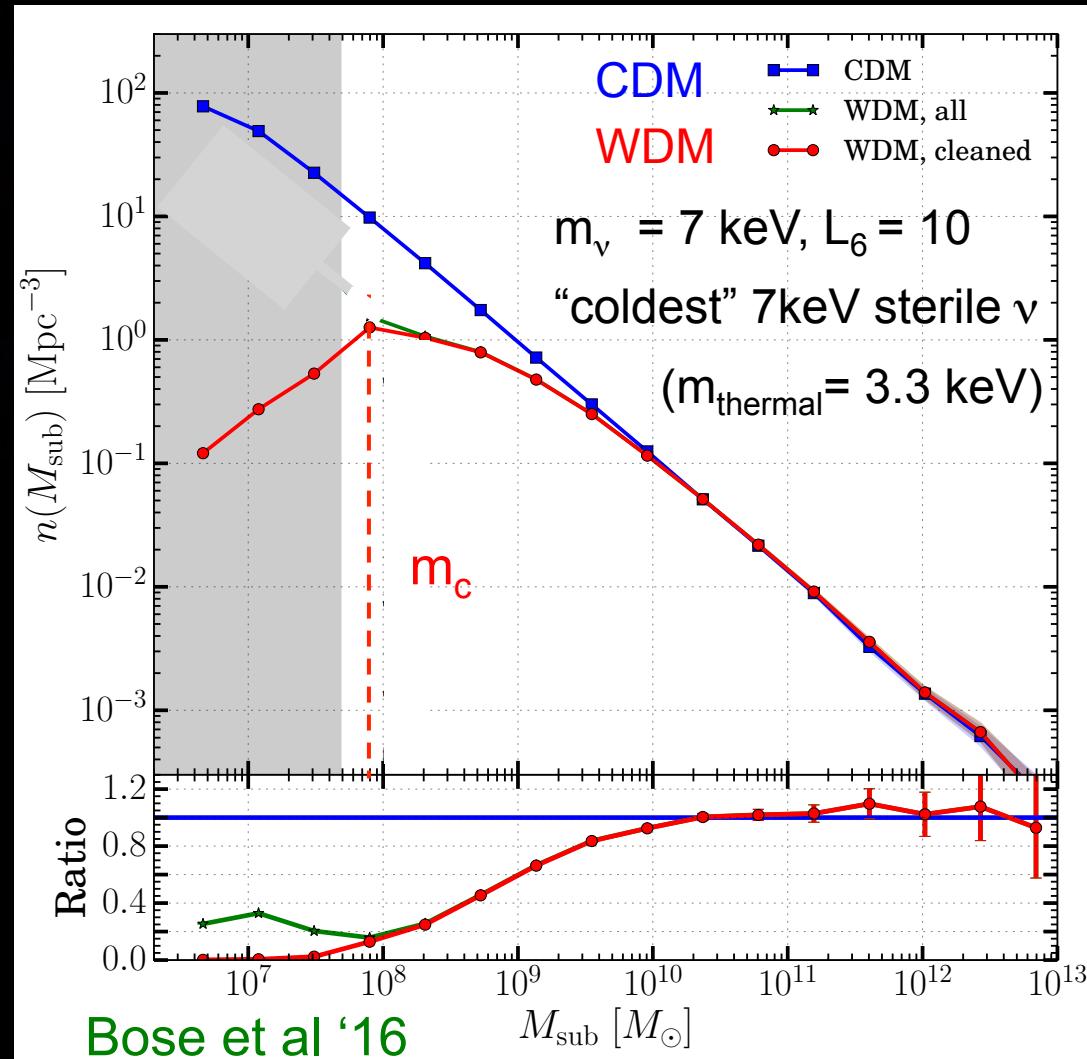


CDM

WDM

Already fewer WDM halos at  
 $3 \times 10^9 M_\odot$

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



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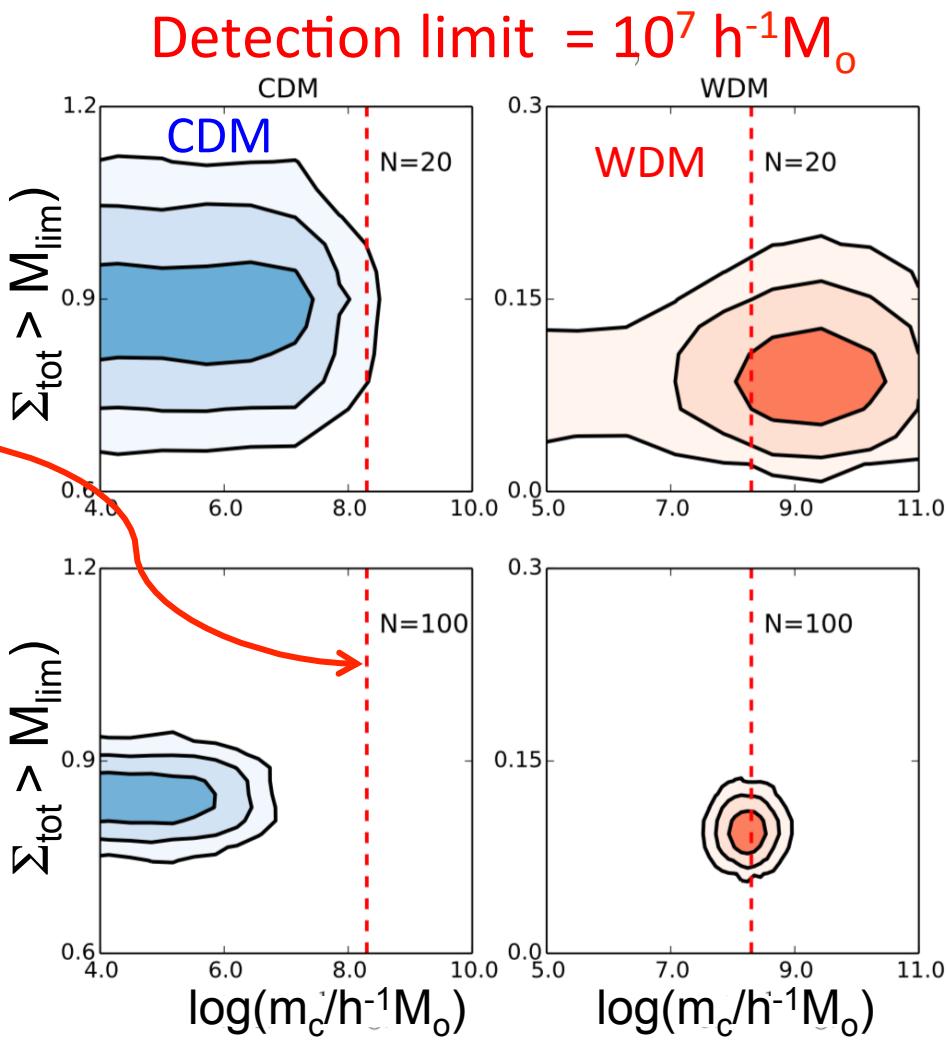
$\Sigma_{\text{tot}}$ = projected halo number density within Einstein ring

$m_c$ = halo cutoff mass

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

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

- If DM is CDM → rule out 7 keV sterile  $\nu$  at many  $\sigma$
- If DM is 7 keV sterile  $\nu$  → rule out CDM at 3 $\sigma$ !



# 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**
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1. Counting faint galaxies **cannot** distinguish **CDM/WDM**
  2. No **too-big-to-fail** when **baryon** effects are included
  3. Cores can be easily produced by **baryon** effects
  4. Strong **gravitational lensing** can distinguish **CDM/WDM**  
(and could **rule out** CDM!)