

## Astrophysical Constraints on Dark Matter



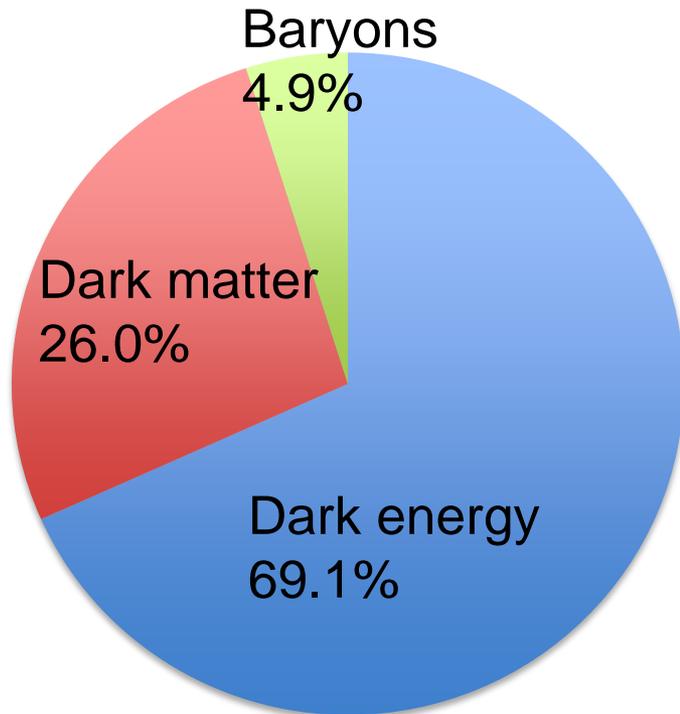
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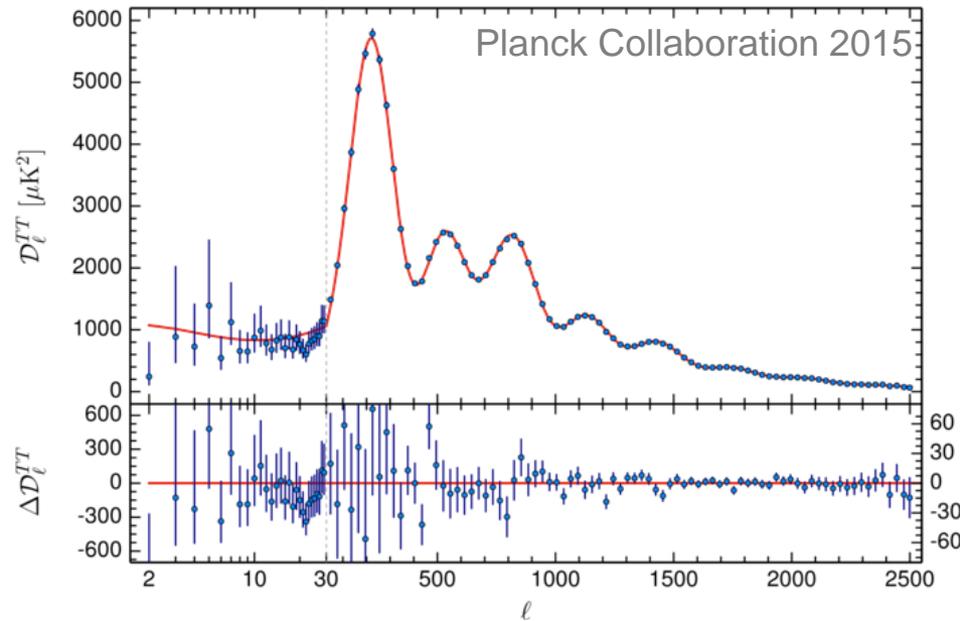
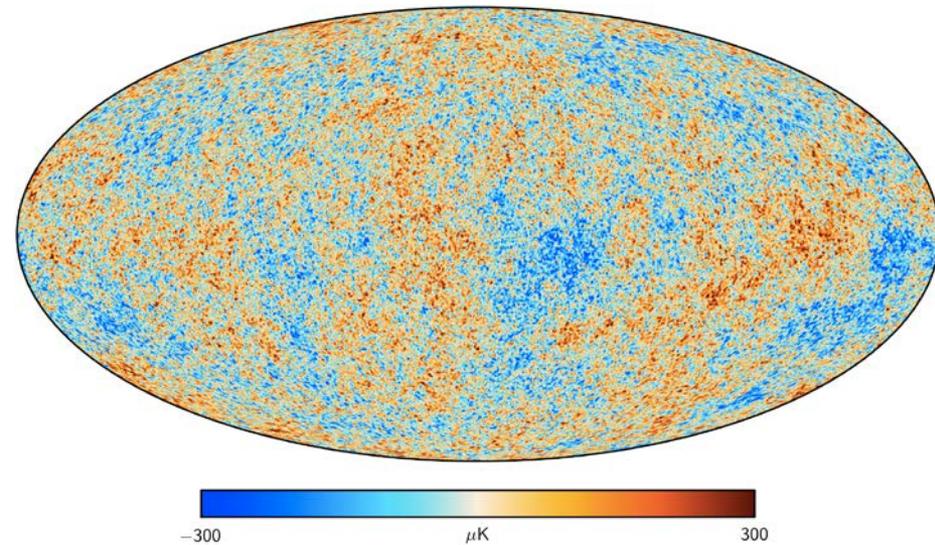
# “Vanilla” CDM model from astronomers’ POV

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- Dark matter is “cold”
  - Non-relativistic at decoupling
  - Negligible velocities
- It interacts only gravitationally
  - Collisionless
  - No decays

# Cosmic microwave background

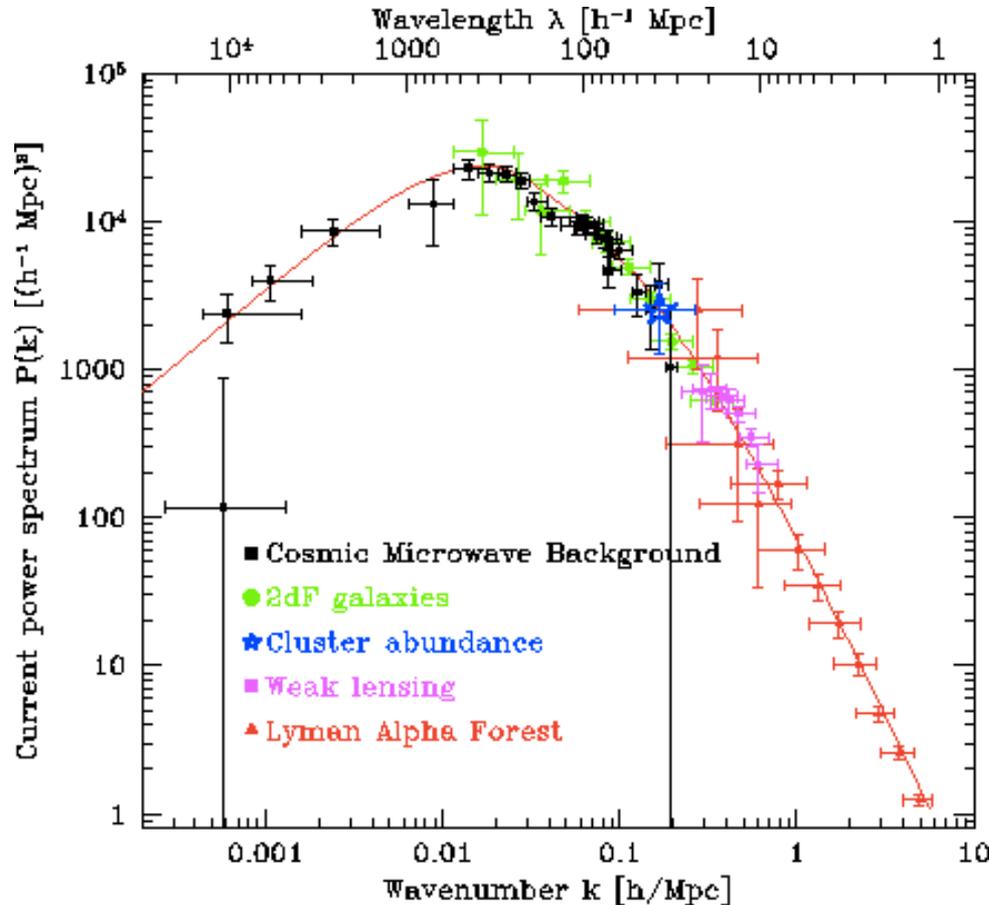


“Vanilla”  $\Lambda$ CDM cosmology adequate to fit exquisite *Planck* data

No extensions clearly demanded by CMB data

$\Omega_m = 0.309$  with 2% uncertainty

# Matter power spectrum

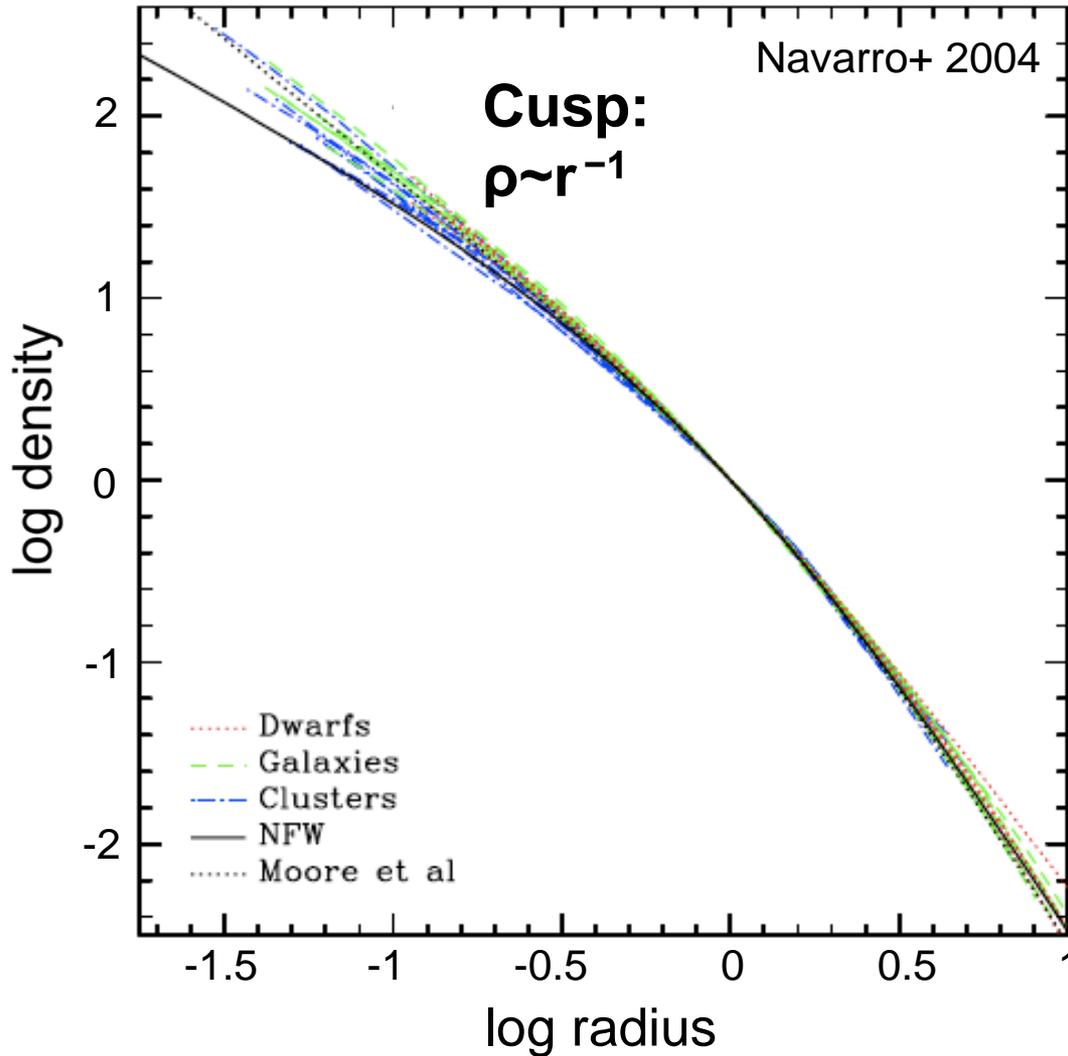


Tegmark 2003

Matter power spectrum agrees excellently with diverse observations spanning scales  $\sim 10$  Gpc – 1 Mpc

→ Dark matter must look a lot like vanilla LCDM on  $> 1$  Mpc scales

# Structure of collapsed objects (“halos”)



Collisionless CDM predicts a self-similar (“universal”) density structure for collapsed halos

Navarro, Frenk & White 1996

*Key feature:*  
Cold center with density cusp  $\rho_{\text{DM}} \sim 1 / r$

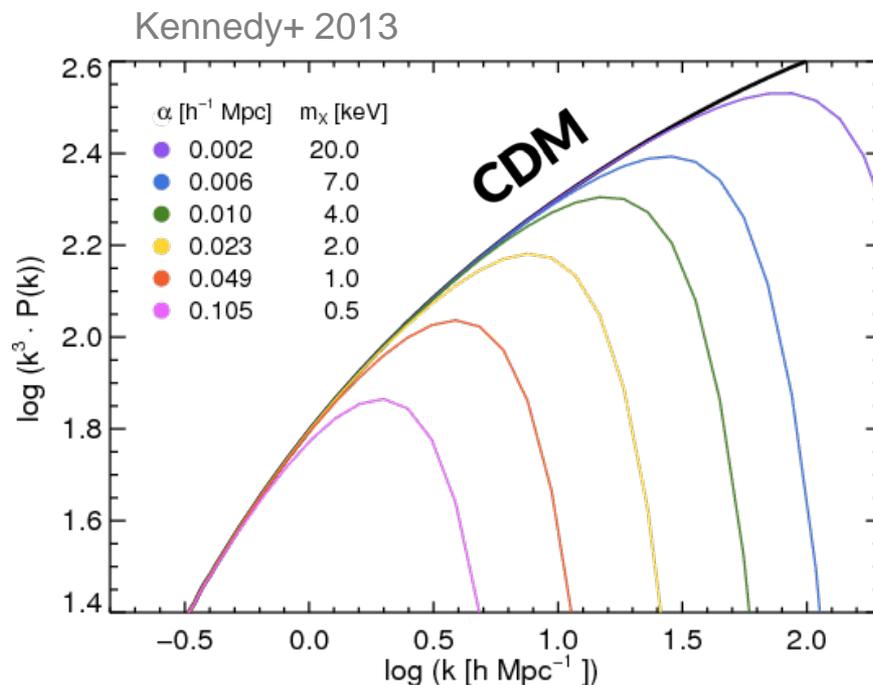
# Outline

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- What observations of the *small-scale distribution* of DM can constrain its properties?
- Where/how can effects of galaxy formation (“baryonic physics”) mimic non-standard DM signatures
- What parameter spaces are allowed, specifically for warm or self-interacting models

# Warm dark matter

Linear matter power spectrum



Small scales  $\rightarrow$

Structures below free-streaming mass cannot form

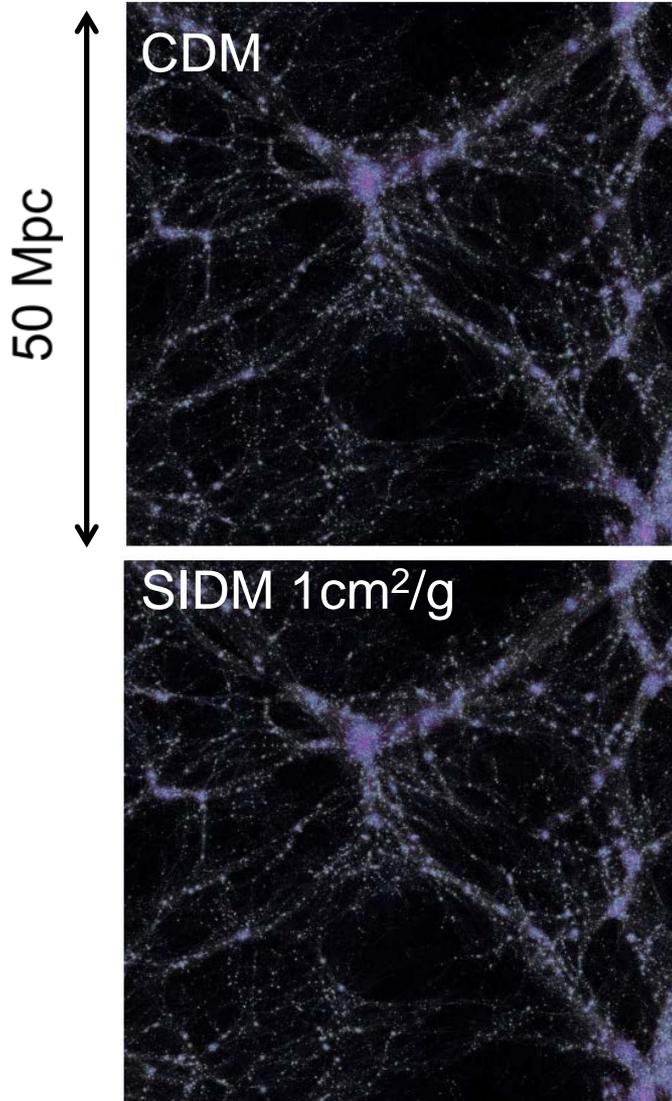
Structures that do form collapse later and have lower density

Typical to quote constraints on  $m_{\text{WDM}}$  for a *thermal relic* for which relevant masses are  $\sim$ keV

Same observations  $\rightarrow$  different mass constraints for non-thermal production

# Self-interacting dark matter

Carlson 1992; Spergel & Steinhardt 2000



Rocha+ 2013

Introduce DM-DM elastic scattering

Cross-sections of interest have  
 $\sigma / m \sim 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g} \sim 1 \text{ barn}/\text{GeV}$

May or may not be velocity- (scale-  
) dependent

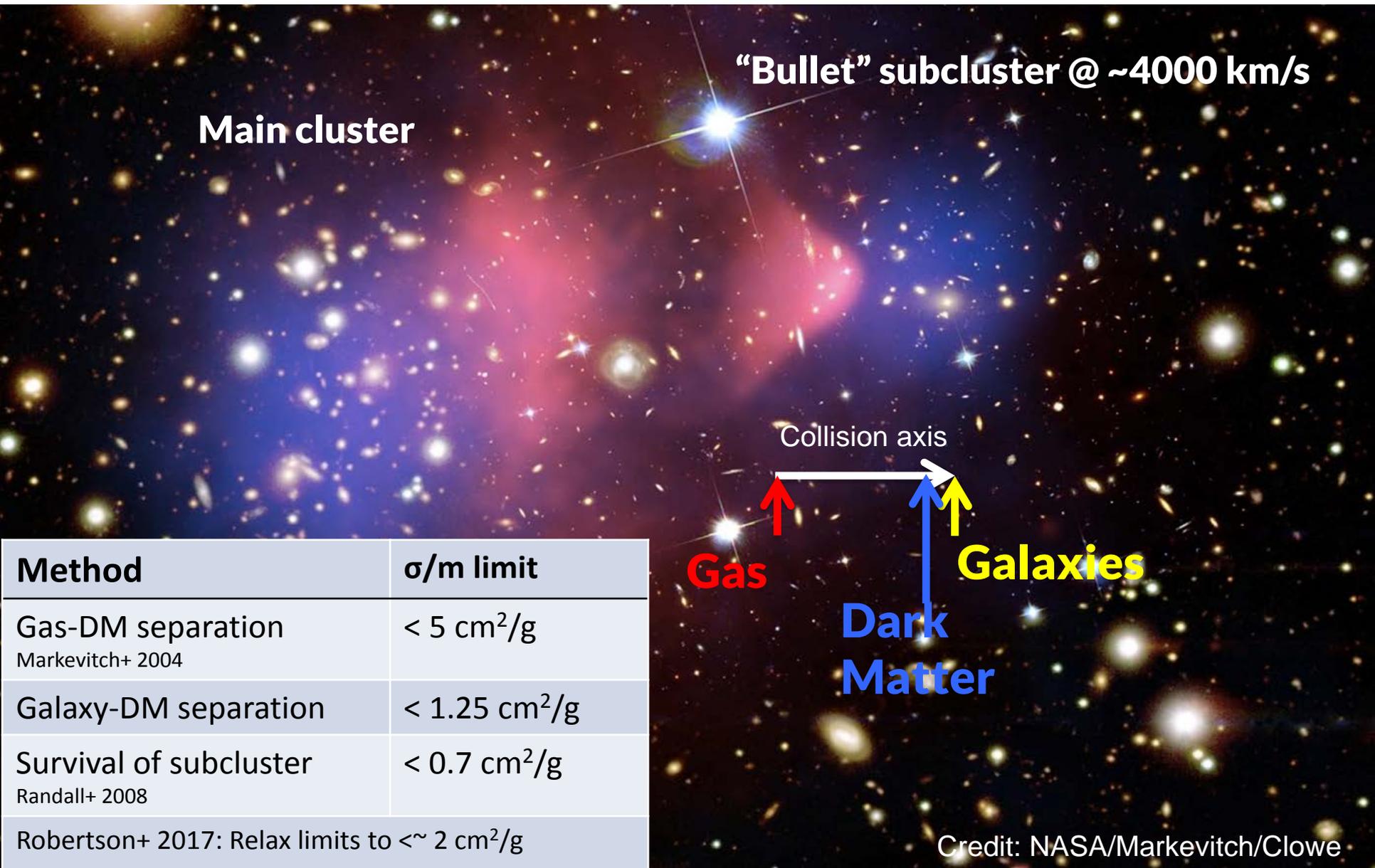
Looks just like collisionless CDM  
on large scales  $\rightarrow$  preserve  
successes

Differences appear in centers of  
halos where scattering occurs

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# Galaxy Clusters

# Probing DM-DM Interactions with Colliding Clusters



Main cluster

“Bullet” subcluster @ ~4000 km/s

Collision axis

Gas

Dark  
Matter

Galaxies

Method	$\sigma/m$ limit
Gas-DM separation Markevitch+ 2004	$< 5 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$
Galaxy-DM separation	$< 1.25 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$
Survival of subcluster Randall+ 2008	$< 0.7 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$
Robertson+ 2017: Relax limits to $< \sim 2 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$	

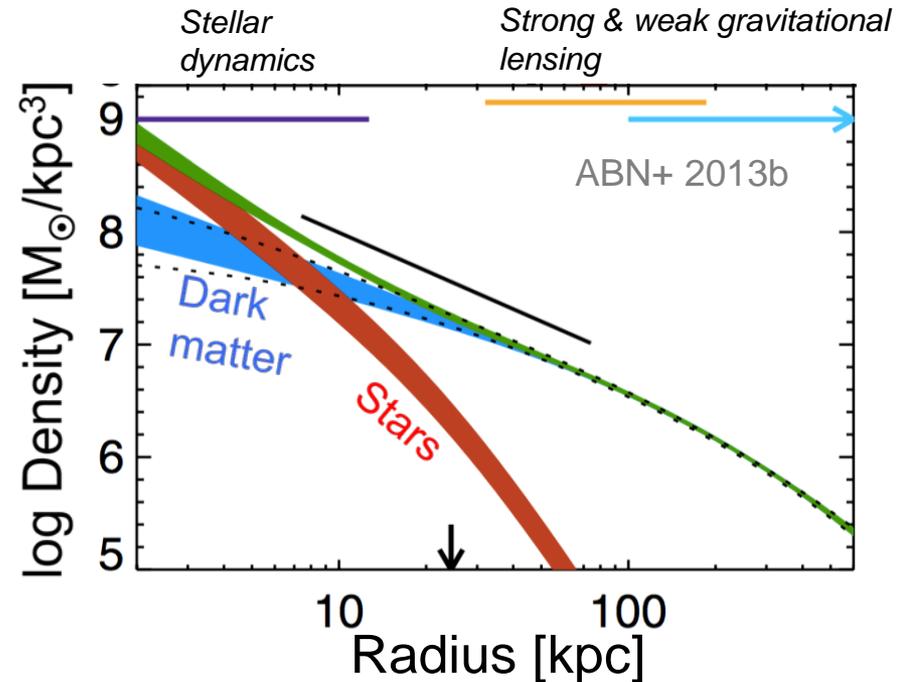
# Constraints from Galaxy-DM Separation in Merging Clusters

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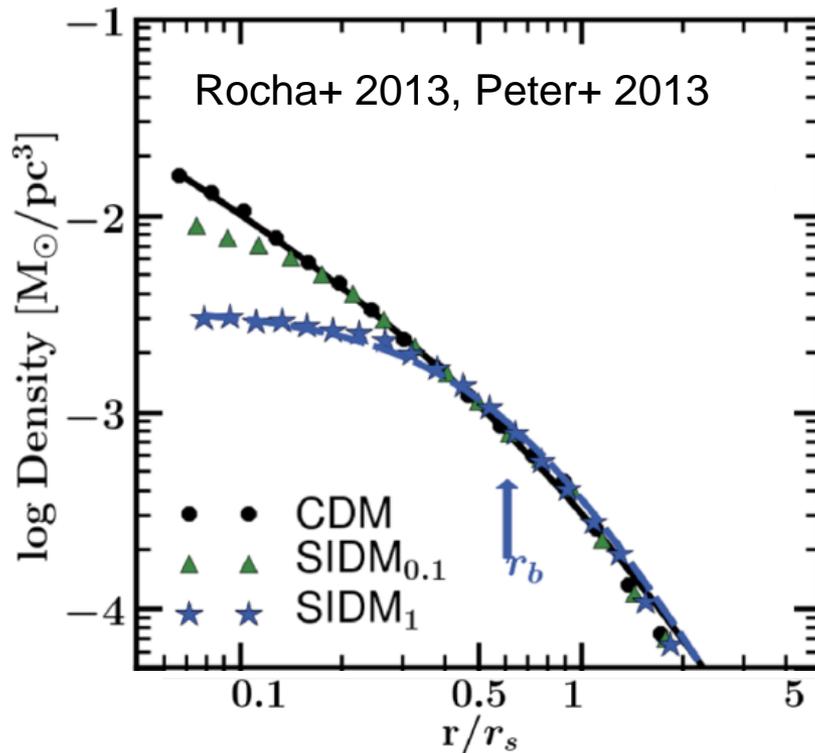
- Expect ~50-150 kpc stochastic offsets between galaxies and *collisionless* DM
- This is similar to or larger than expected SIDM signals  
(Kim et al 2017)
- ~7 systems analyzed so far  
(Randall et al 2008; Bradac et al 2008; Dawson 2013; Clowe et al 2012; Williams & Saha 2011; Jee et al 2014, 2015, Massey+ 2017)
- Some tantalizing hints, but overall galaxy-DM offset distribution consistent with collisionless CDM (Ng et al 2017)

# Galaxy cluster density profiles



- Remarkable agreement with CDM over 98% of radial range (e.g. Umetsu+ 2011)
- But evidence for *shallower* density profile in inner tens of kpc (Sand+ 2004, 2008, Zappacosta+ 2006, ABN+ 2011, 2013a,b)
- $\langle Y \rangle = 0.50 \pm 0.17$  (ABN+ 2013b) [where  $\rho_{\text{DM}} \sim r^{-Y}$ ]  
c.f.  $Y=1$  for collisionless CDM

# Galaxy cluster density profiles



- Main uncertainty: precise separation of baryons/dark matter
- SIDM with  $\sigma/m \sim 0.1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$  would produce appropriate cores (Rocha+ 2013)
- Or, CDM heated via baryonic effects:
  - Dynamical friction from infalling galaxies (Laporte+ 2012)
  - Gas outflows driven by supermassive black hole (Martizzi+ 2012)

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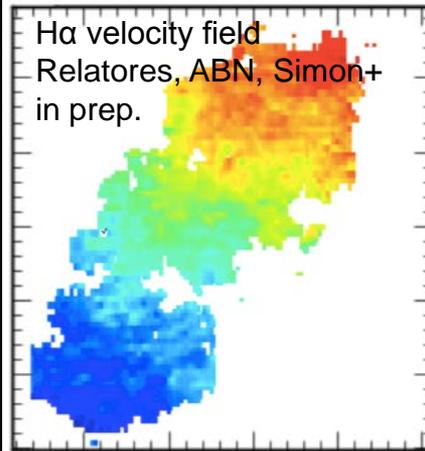
# Low-mass disk galaxies



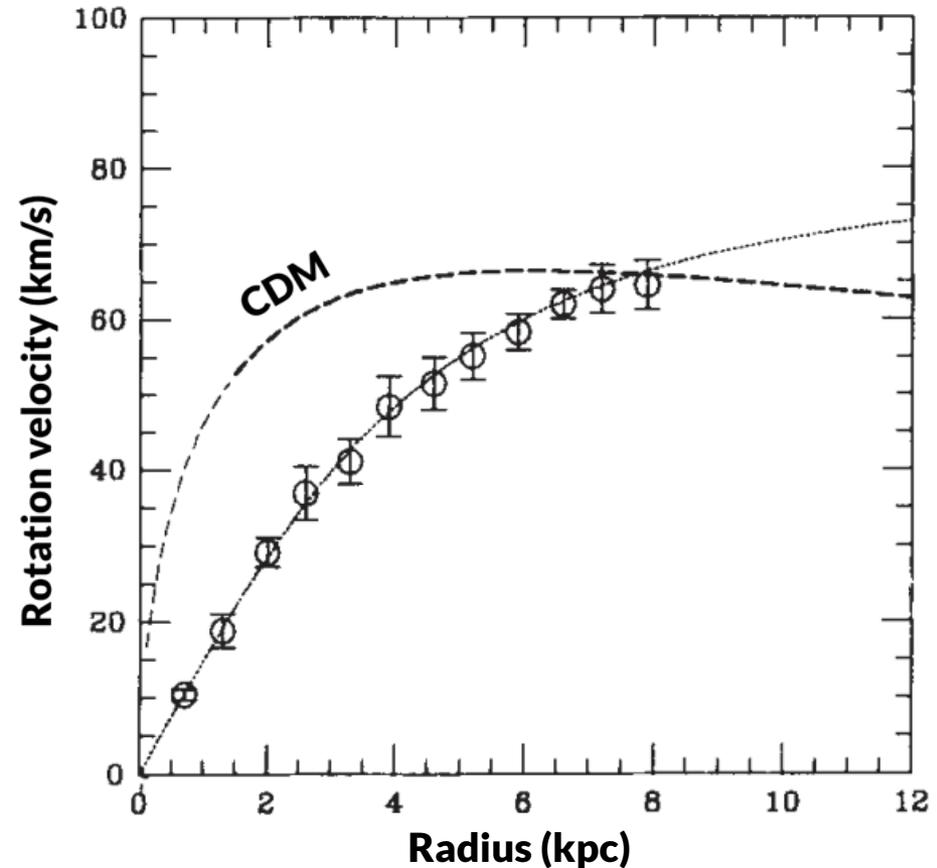
$10^{-2} - 10^{-1}$  x stellar  
mass of Milky Way

More dark matter  
dominated

# Low-mass disk galaxies: “Cores” vs “Cusps”

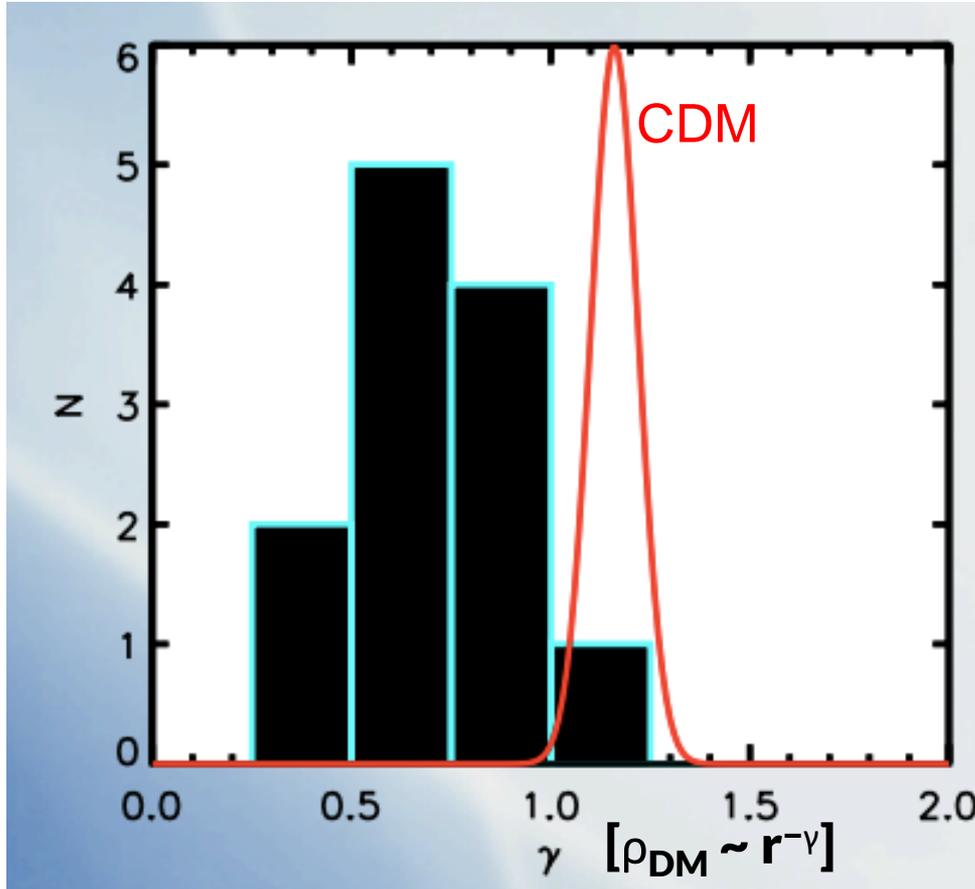


- Low-mass disk galaxies are increasingly DM-dominated
- Their mass distribution can be inferred from gas (or stellar) rotation curve
- Many are slowly rising, more consistent with a constant-density “core” than the “cusp” ( $\rho \sim r^{-1}$ ) expected for CDM



Moore 1994

# Better data – still shallow DM profiles



Compilation of galaxies from Adams+ 2014, Oh+ 2011, Simon+ 2005 (figure J. Simon)

## History of gradually improving observations

de Blok+ 2001, 2008, Swaters+ 2003, Simon+ 2003, 2005, Oh+ 2008, 2011, Kuzio de Naray + 2006, 2008, ...

Uncertainties in interpretation:  
Non-circular motion  
Subtraction of baryon mass

...

Cleanest cases with best data cases DM profiles normally shallower than CDM:

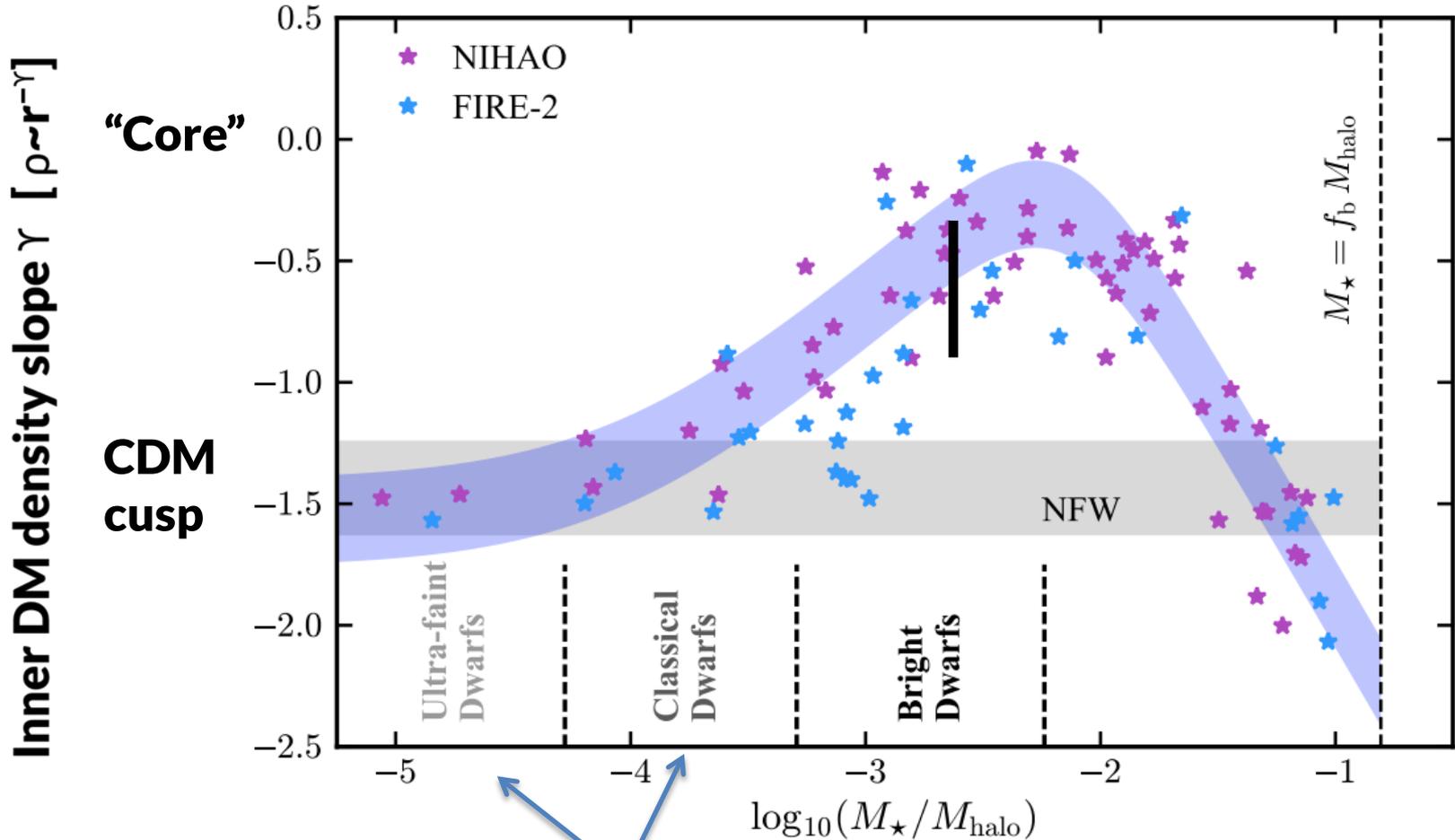
$\langle \gamma \rangle = 0.63 \pm 0.28$  (left panel)

# Dark matter cores from supernova feedback

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**Lower-mass galaxies  
should retain cusps!**

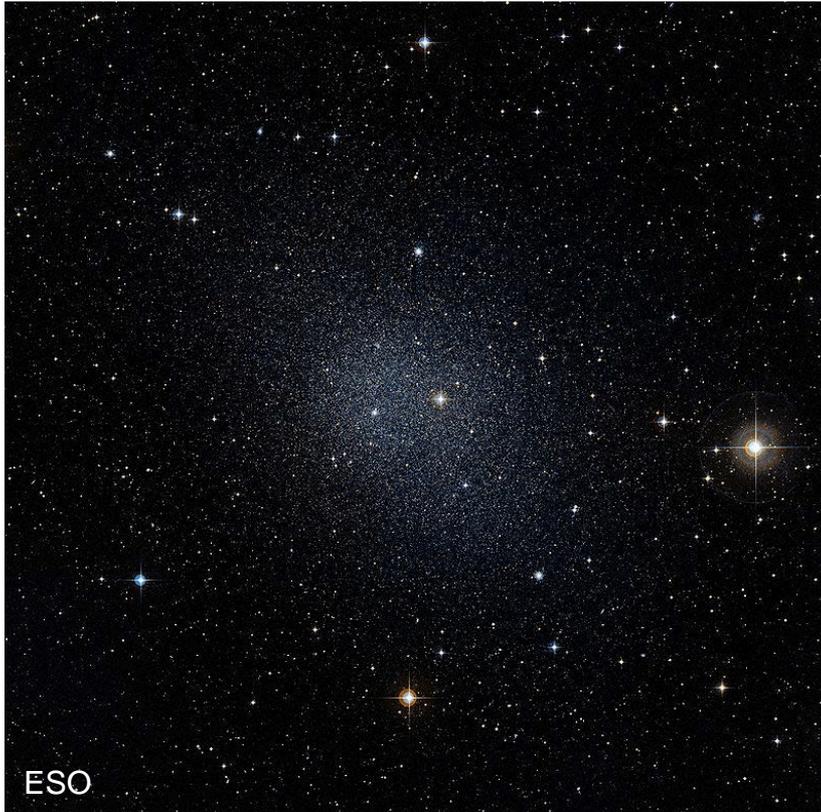
# Non-LCDM solutions

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- Warm dark matter
  - Lower densities, but still cuspy on observationally relevant scales (e.g. Macciò+ 2012)
- SIDM
  - Creates cores
  - Coupling with baryons in SIDM might explain diversity of rotation curves shapes observed  
(Kamada+2016, talk by Hai-Bo Yu)

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# Dwarf Spheroidals around Milky Way & Local Group



$10^{-3} - 10^{-8}$  x stellar  
mass of Milky Way

Most dark matter  
dominated galaxies

# Missing satellites / Excess substructure?

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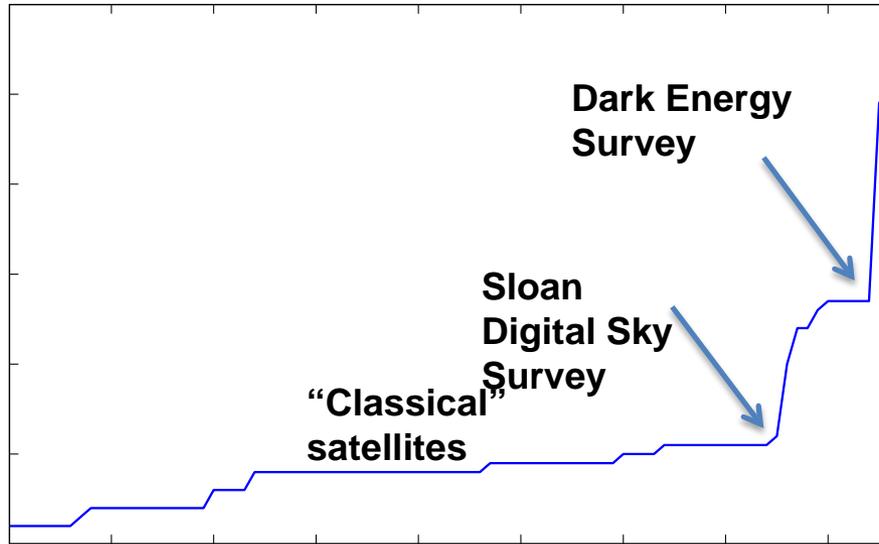


CDM predicts 1000s of subhalos around Milky Way-mass galaxies  
Before 2005 only 9 “classical” satellite galaxies known (excluding MCs)

Are the subhalos not there?

Or do they contain very dim galaxies—or remain dark?

# A plethora of new dwarfs



- Explosion in number of Milky Way satellites

~Doubled since 2015

Koposov+ 2015, Bechtol+ 2015, Drlica-Wagner+ 2015, Laevens+ 2015, Simon+ 2015, 2017, Kirby+ 2014, 2015, 2017, Walker+ 2015, 2016, Martin+ 2016, Li+ 2017, ...

- “Ultrafaint” galaxies extending to luminosities  $\sim 10^4$ x smaller than classical dwarfs ( $\sim 100$ s of stellar masses)

- $\sim 100$ - $1000$  dwarfs expected all-sky

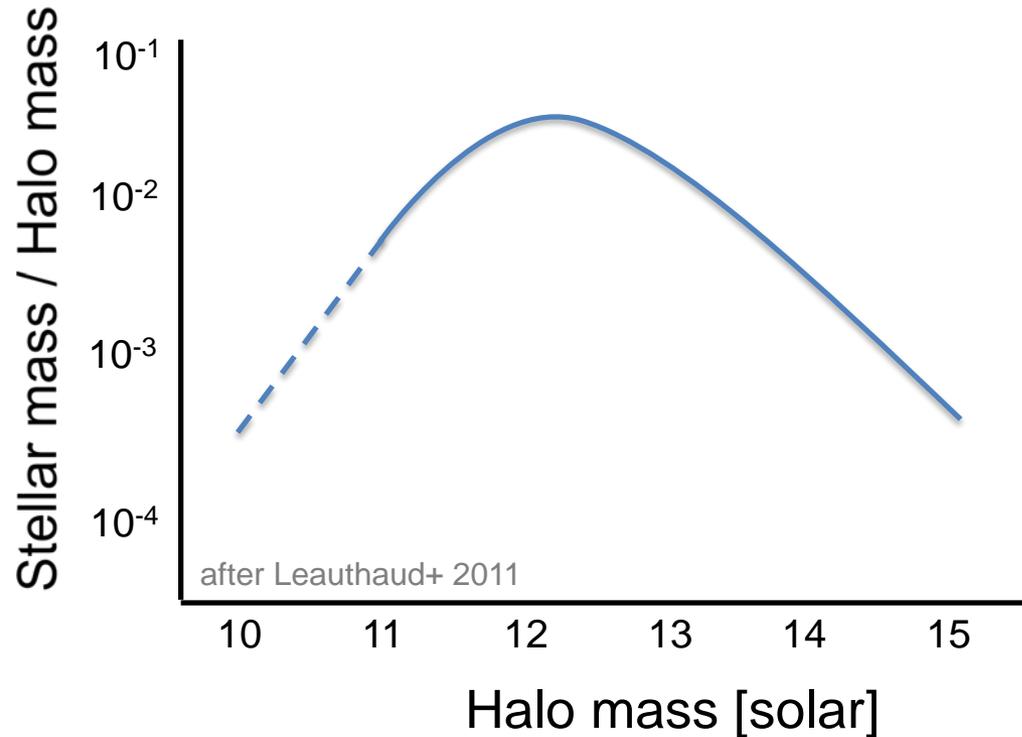
( $R < \sim 400$  kpc,  $M_V < 0$ )

(Tollerud+ 2008, Newton+ 2017)



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# Why low-mass halos should be dim



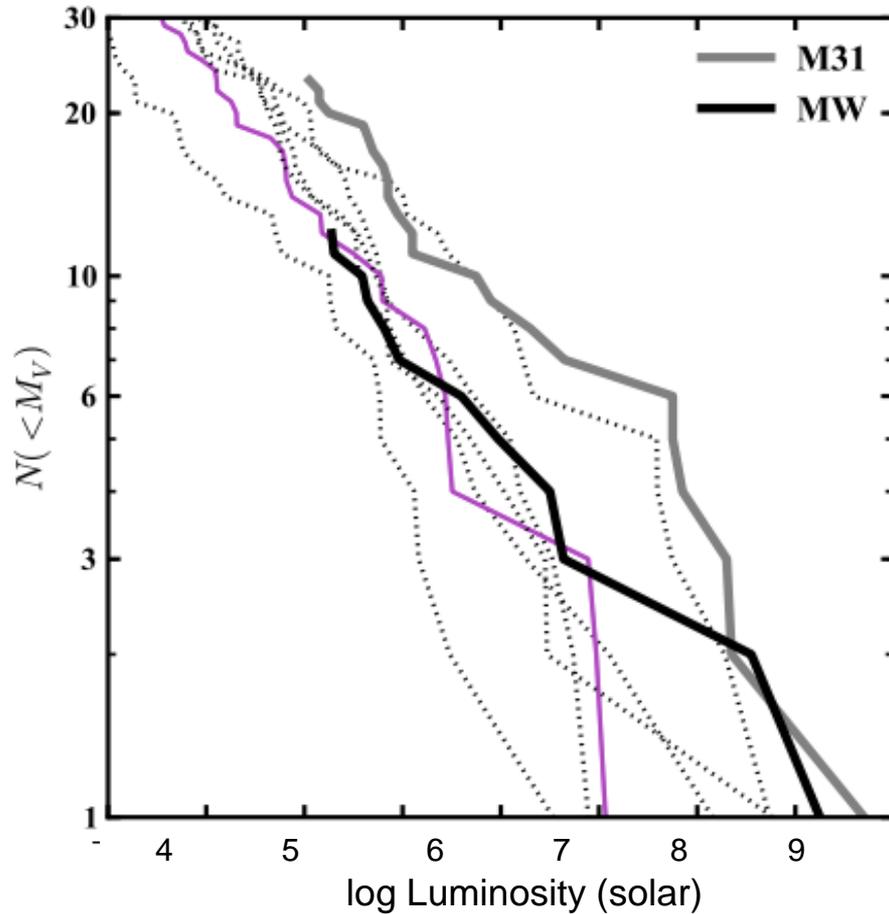
- **Reionization**

Suppresses galaxy formation in subhalos smaller than  $\sim 10^{10} M_{\odot}$   
Benson+ 2002, Okamoto+ 2008

- **Supernova feedback**

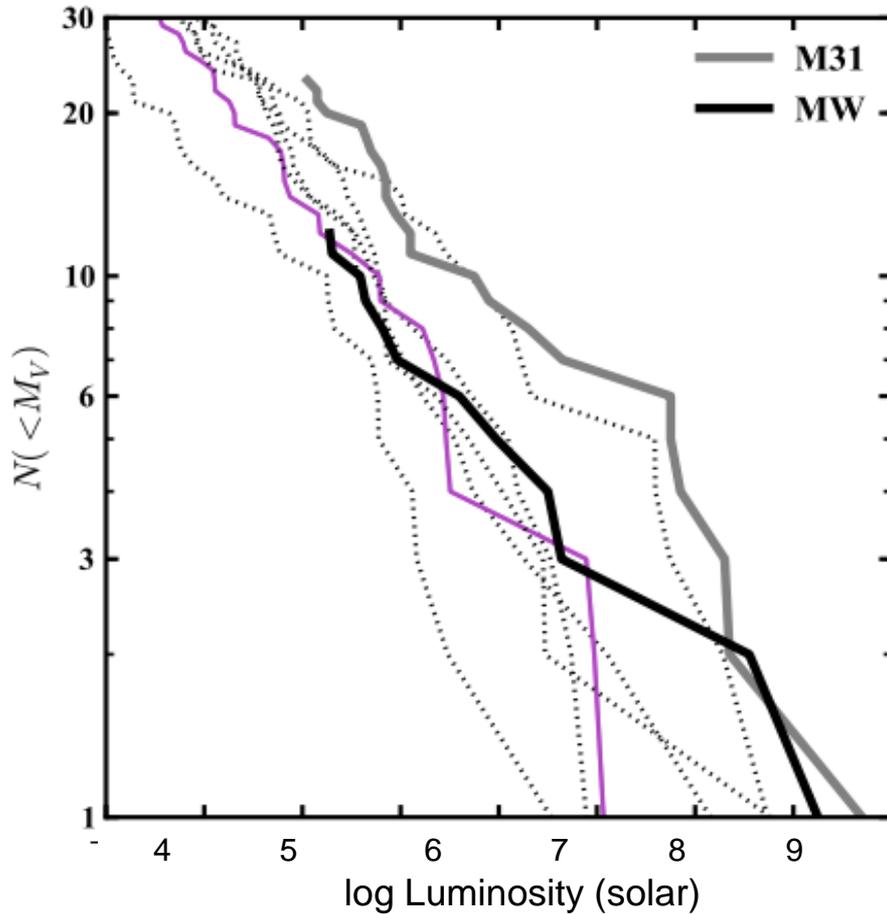
<2% of gas ultimately forms stars; increasingly effective at lower masses

# Right number of satellites...

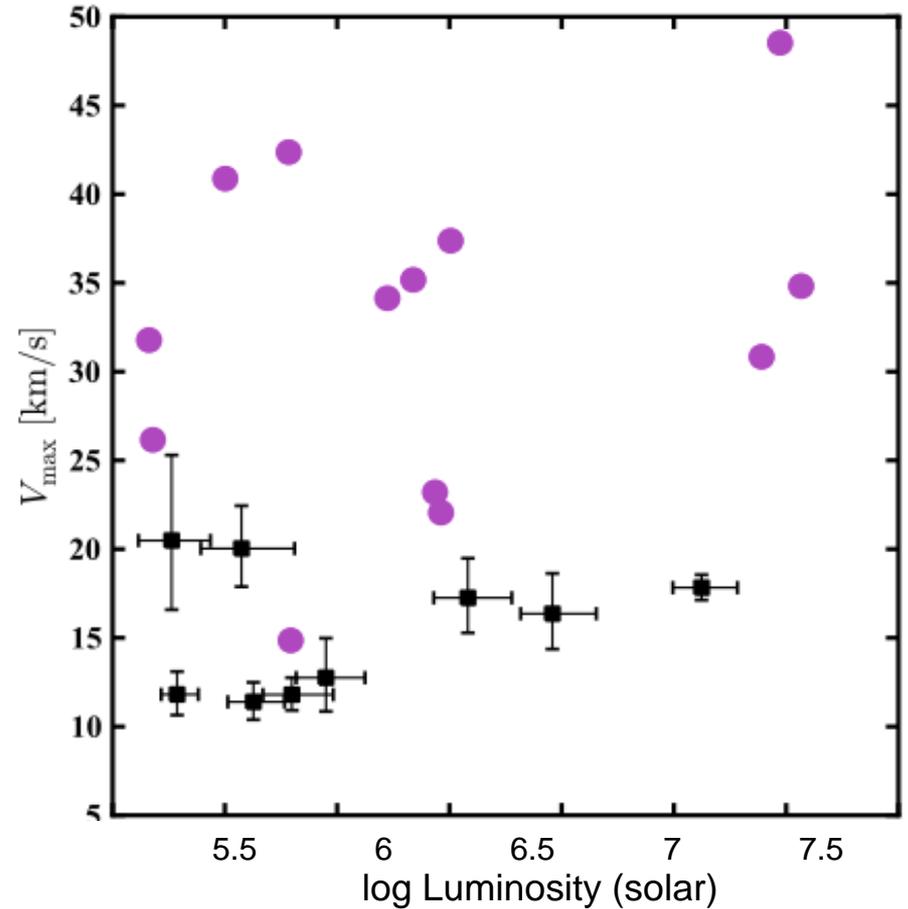


Luminosities assigned to subhalos then agree with classical dwarfs (no “missing satellites”)...

# ... but wrong densities (“Too big to fail” problem)

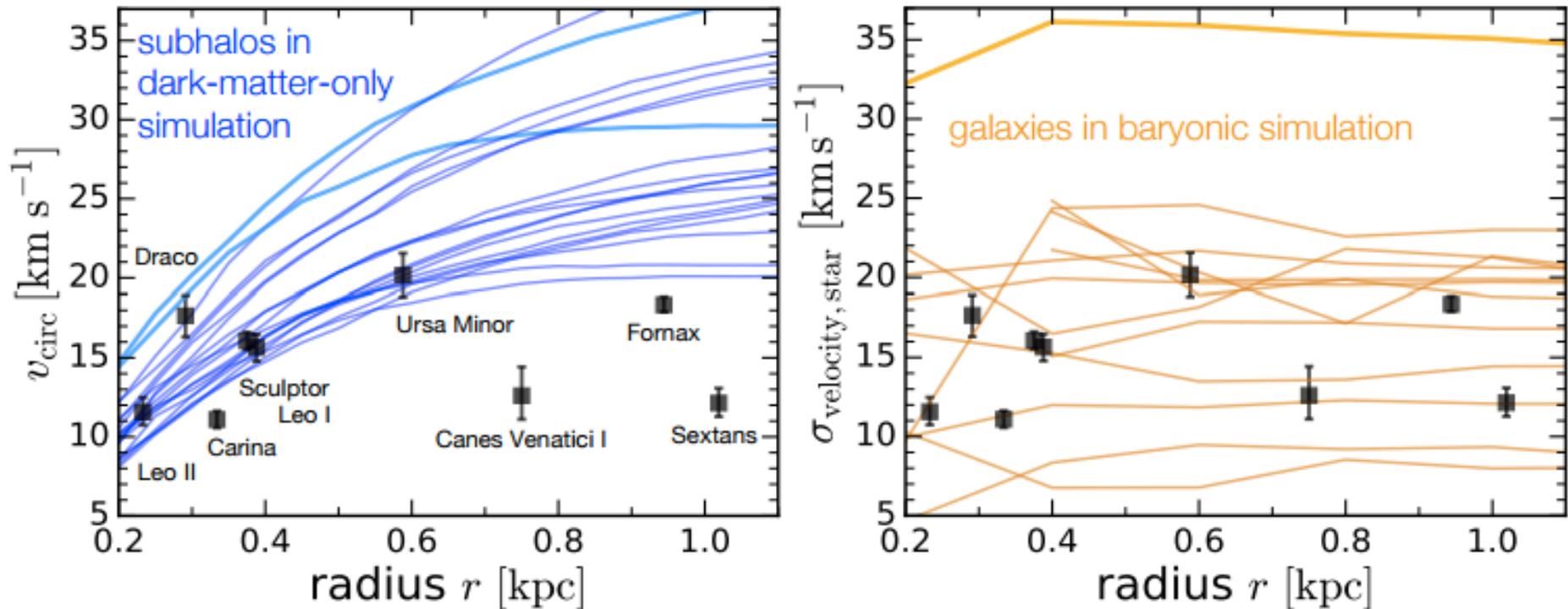


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but the classical dwarfs have much lower central densities than the most massive subhalos (“too big to fail” problem).

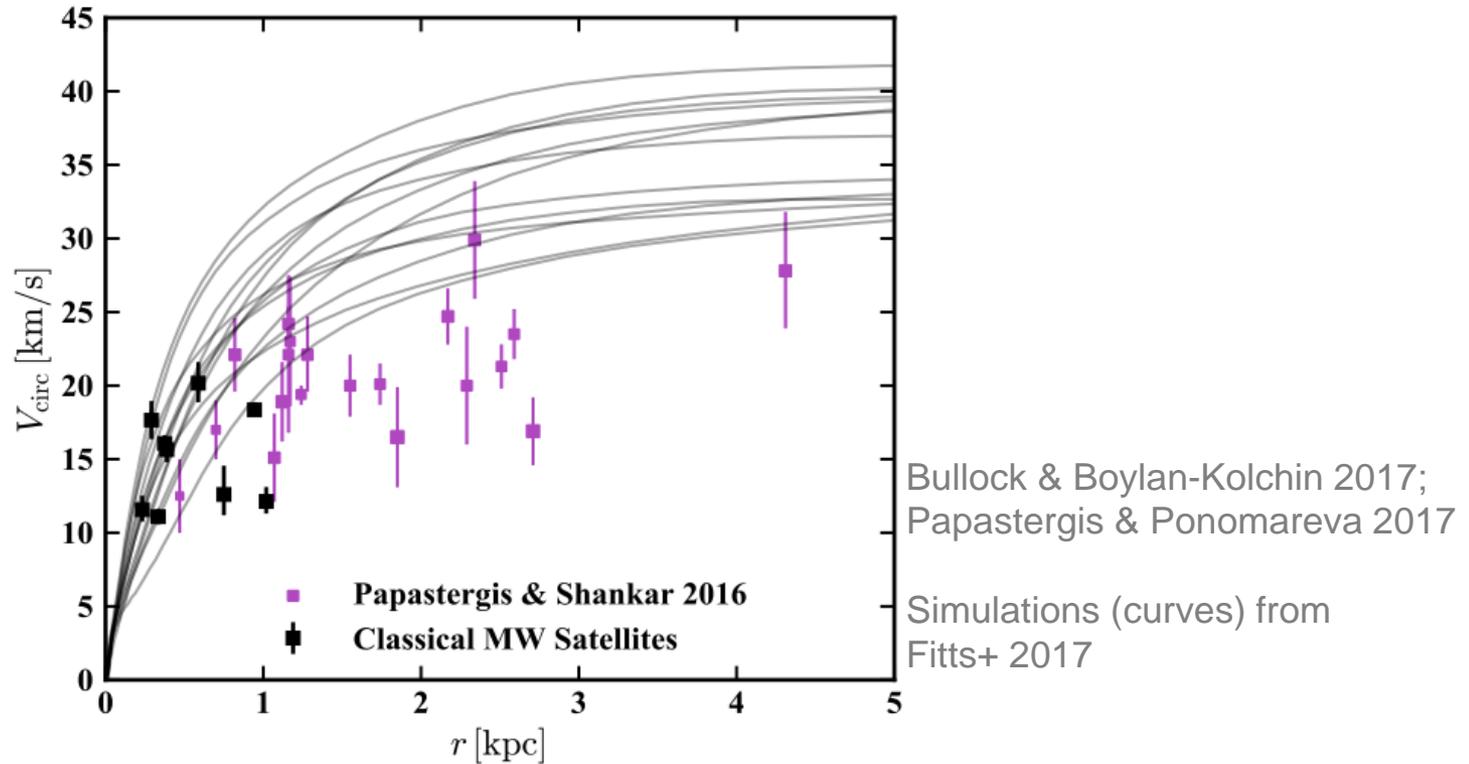
# “Too big to fail”: Solutions within LCDM?



Wetzel+ 2016 and see Madau+ 2014, Sawala+ 2015, Dutton+ 2015

Central densities of massive subhalos are reduced due to supernova feedback

# “Too big to fail”: Still a problem in the field?



But simulations that solve TBTF in Milky Way satellites do *not* necessarily agree with kinematics of similar field galaxies measured at larger radii (via HI interferometry).



# “Too big to fail”: Non-ΛCDM solutions

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- Warm DM

- Need  $m \sim 1\text{-}2$  keV for a thermal particle

Papastergis+ 2015, Lovell+ 2012, Schneider+ 2014

- Inconsistent with Ly $\alpha$  forest (later) and possibly with # of satellites of Galaxy & M31

Kennedy+ 2014, Polisensky & Ricotti 2010, Lovell+ 2014, Horiuchi+ 2014

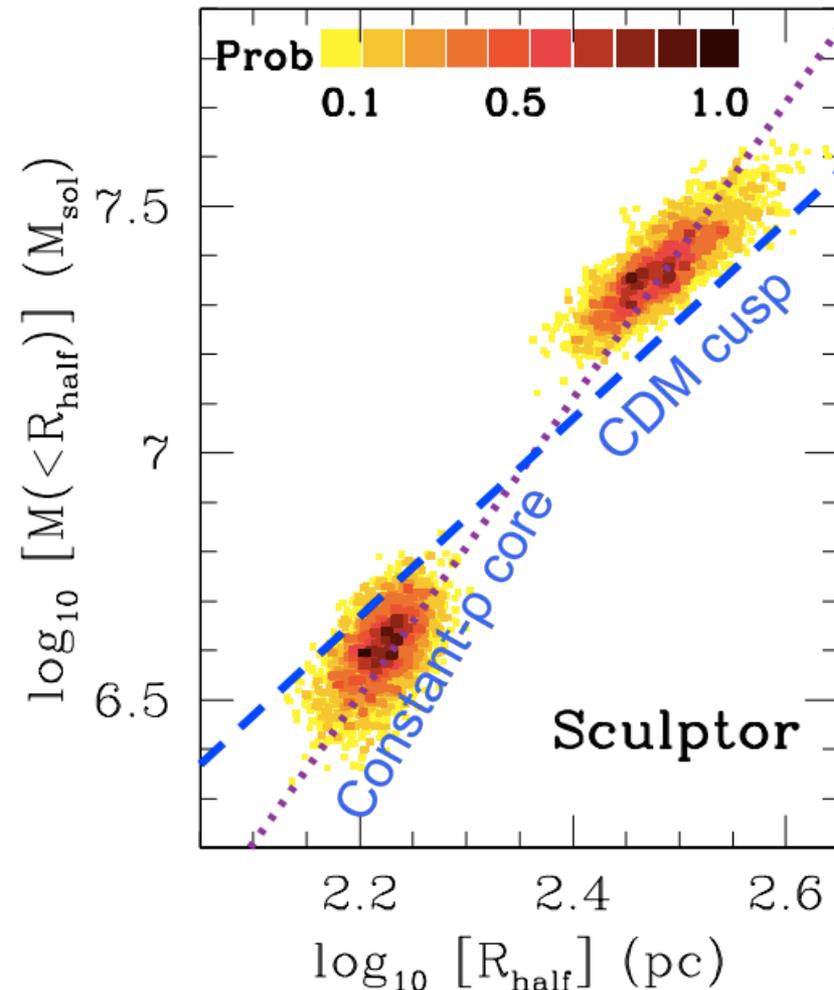
- More room for “mixed” WDM or more gradual cutoff to power spectrum

- Self-interacting DM

- $\sigma / m \sim 0.5 - 50$  cm<sup>2</sup>/g on dwarf galaxy scales

Vogelsberger+ 2012, Zavala+ 2013, Elbert+ 2015

# Density profiles in classical MW satellites



Walker & Peñarrubia 2011

- Two chemically distinguishable sub-population of stars exist in Fornax & Sculptor
- Robustly determine mass at two radii, hence slope  
Walker & Peñarrubia 2011

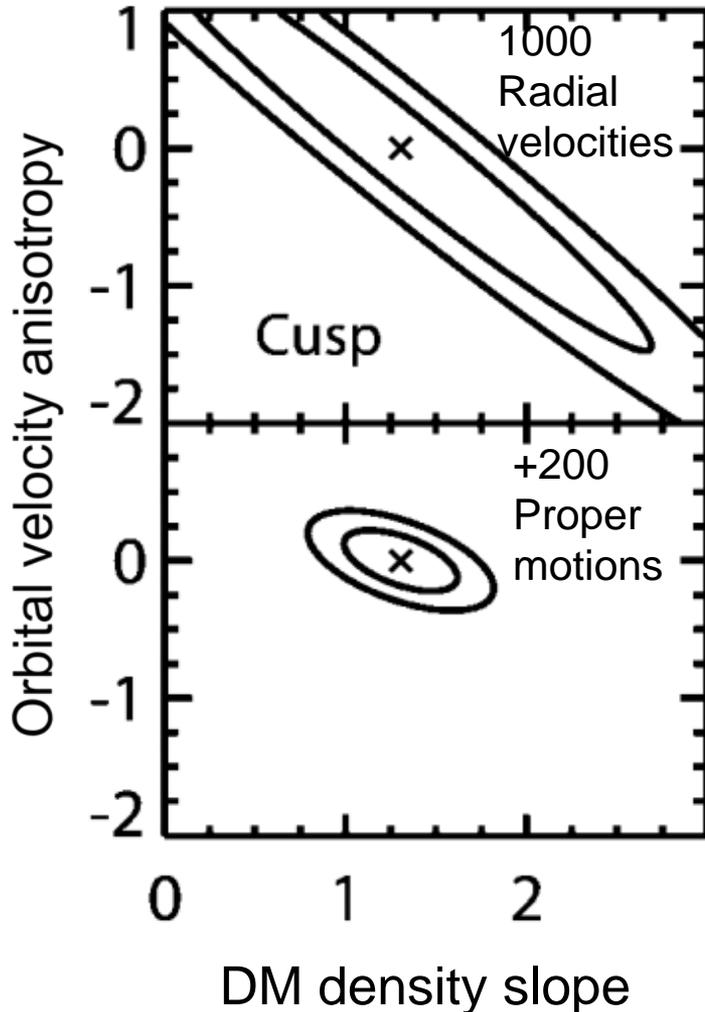
- Find shallow density profiles, getting close to masses where supernovae should be ineffective:

$$\gamma = 0.39^{+0.43}_{-0.37} \quad \text{Fornax}$$

$$\gamma = 0.05^{+0.51}_{-0.39} \quad \text{Sculptor}$$

$$[\rho \propto r^{-\gamma}]$$

# Future constraints from MW satellites



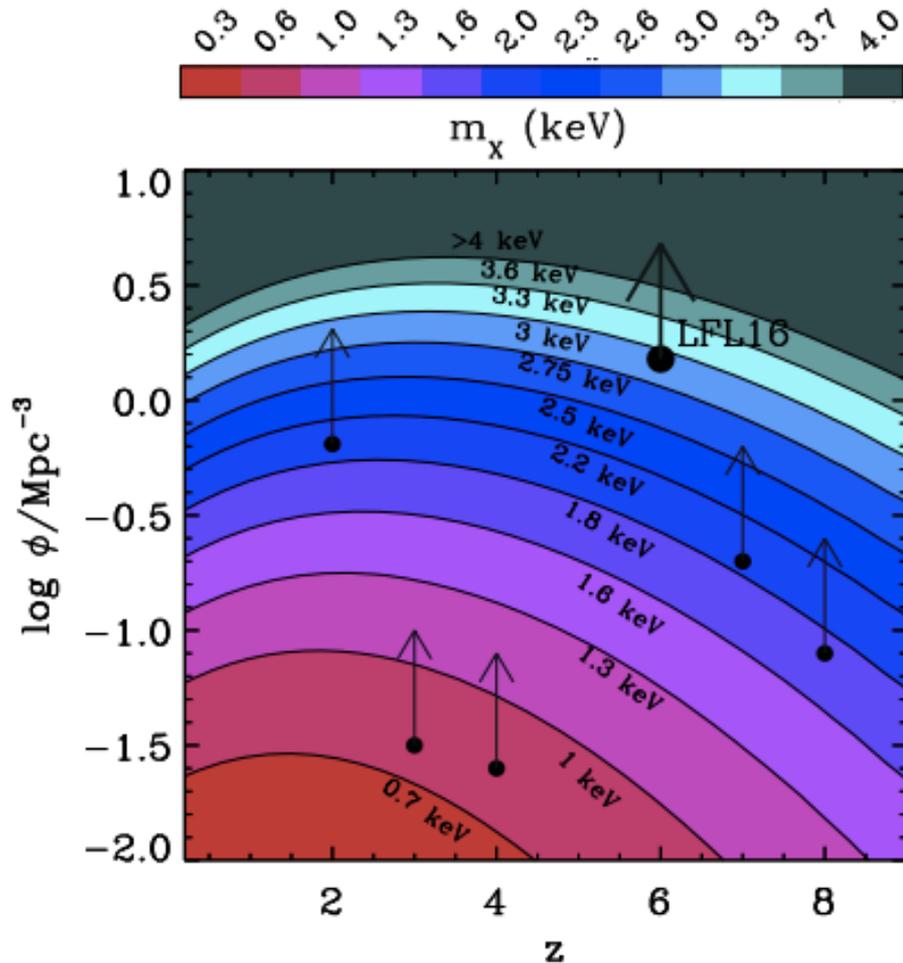
Strigari+ 2007

- 30m-class telescopes will enable observations of 3D velocity vectors
  - $10^4$  radial velocities
  - Proper motions via  $\sim 30\mu\text{as}$  astrometry
- Expect precision of 0.2 on log slope of density profile  
Strigari+ 2007, Evslin+ 2015
- For  $M_{\star} < \sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$  cusps should survive feedback  
Fitts+ 2017

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# Low-Mass Structures Beyond the Local Volume

# Constraints on WDM from early galaxies



Menci et al 2016; Livermore et al 2017

WDM models erase small halos and delay growth of larger ones.

*Shultz et al 2014:*

**$m > 1.3 \text{ keV}$  ( $2\sigma$ )** from redshift  $z=6-8$  galaxies in Hubble Ultradeep Field

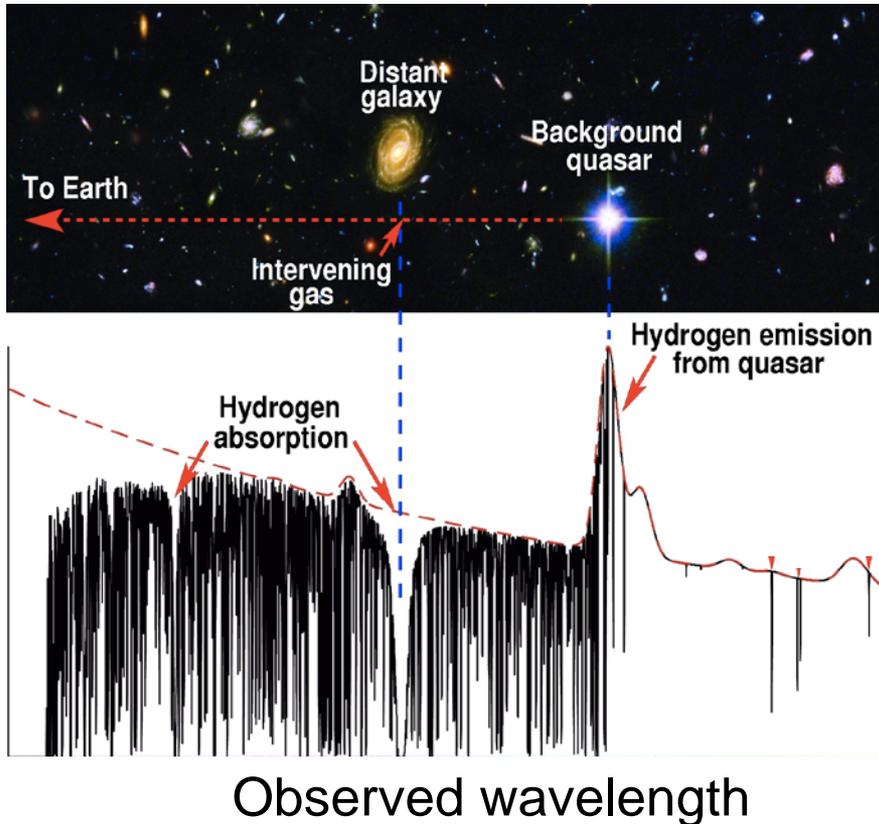
*Menci et al 2016:*

From faintest lensed galaxies ( $M = -12.5$ ) at  $z=6$ , find  **$m > 2.4 \text{ keV}$  ( $2\sigma$ )**

*James Webb Space Telescope* launches next year!

# Ly $\alpha$ Forest

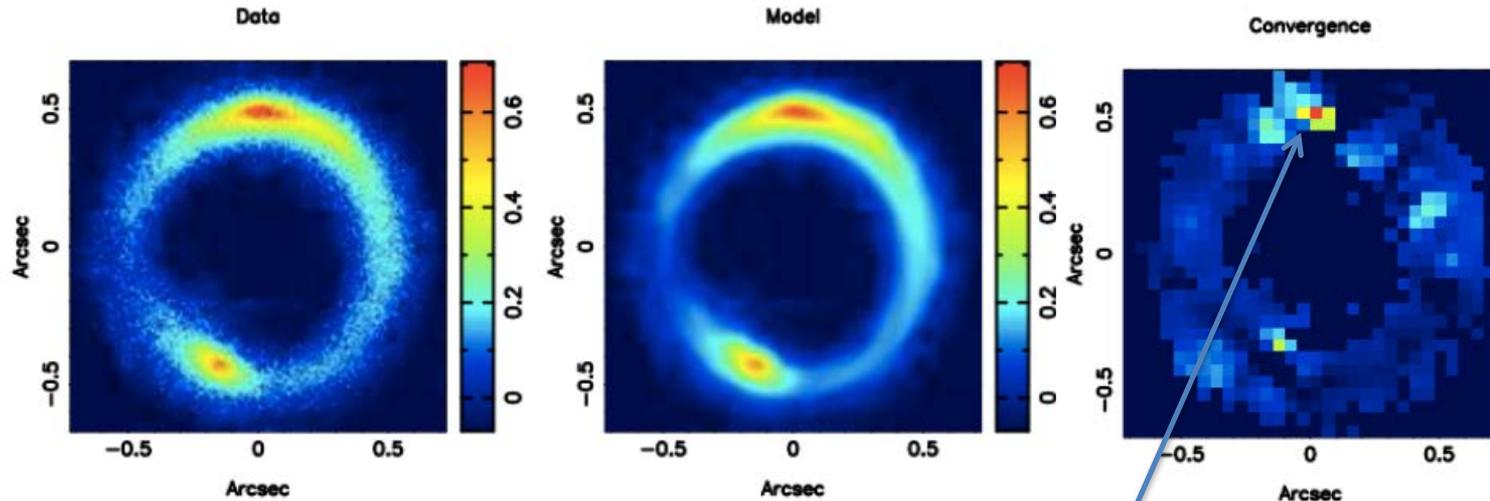
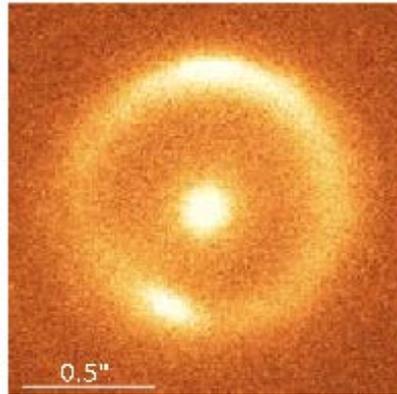
Image J. Liske



- Statistics of spectrum can be related to matter power spectrum
- Strongest claimed constraints on WDM:
  - Viel et al (2013):  
 $m_{\text{WDM}} > 3.3 \text{ keV}$  ( $2\sigma$ , thermal)
  - Iršič et al (2017):  
 $m_{\text{WDM}} > 5.3 \text{ keV}$  ( $2\sigma$ , thermal)
- Uncertainties: equation of state of intergalactic gas, effect of galactic winds on gas distribution & thermal state

# Substructure “Imaging” with Strong Lensing

SHARP collaboration



Vegetti+ 2012

Mass  $2 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}$   
within 600 pc

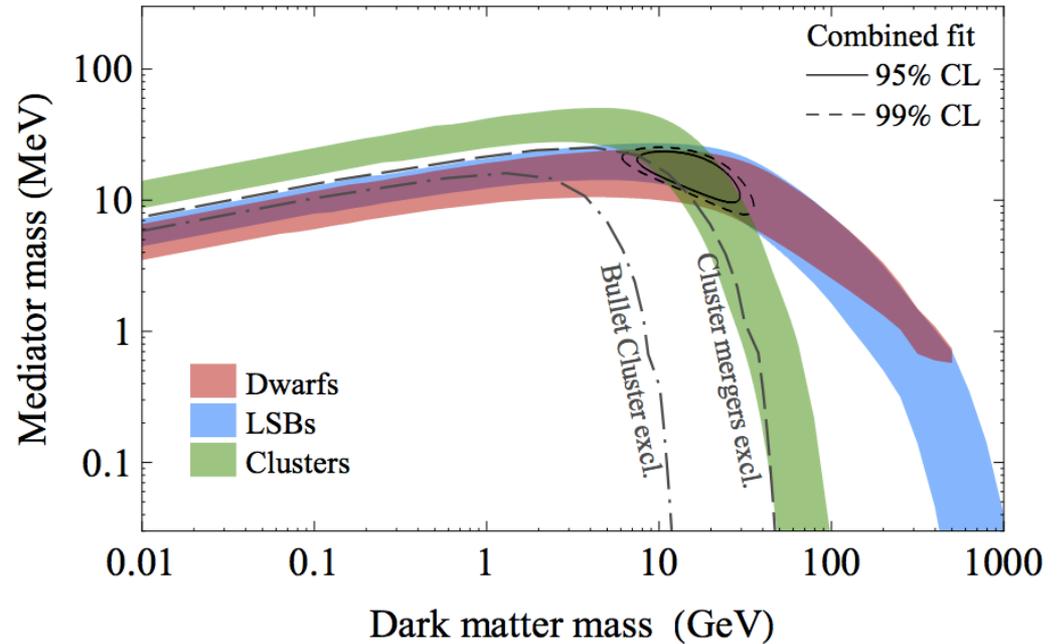
- Images of gravitationally lensed sources are very sensitive to foreground mass ‘clumps’ near the images
- *Possible to detect dark substructures!*
- See S. Birrer talk

# The current state

Observations from dwarf galaxy to clusters scales are suggestive of DM physics beyond “vanilla CDM”

Unified modeling can constrain specific particle models (right panel)

(Multiple) baryonic/galaxy formation effects within “vanilla CDM” are also a viable explanation



Kaplinghat, Tulin & Yu 2016  
Constraints on SIDM dark photon model

# Some exciting future directions

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- Density profiles of low-mass disk galaxies
  - Testing supernova feedback scenarios
- Density profiles of dwarf spheroidals
  - 30 m-class telescopes
- Detection and characterization of dark low-mass substructures
  - Must be present if DM is cold
  - Gravitational lensing very promising; see S. Birrer talk

