Dark matter, black holes, and gravitational waves

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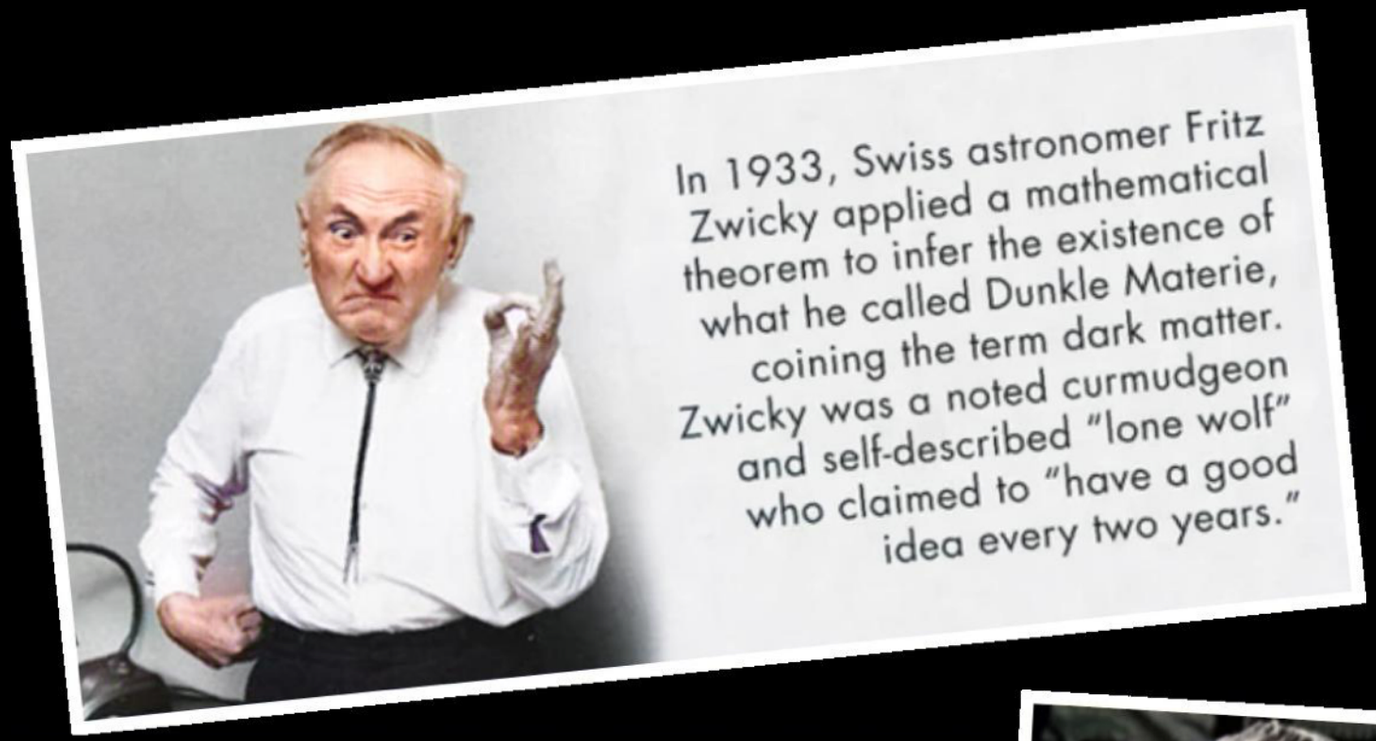
Plan of the talk:

Prologue: the dark universe *narrative*

Part I: What have we learnt?

Part II: DM — BH — GWs

Dark Matter "Mythology"

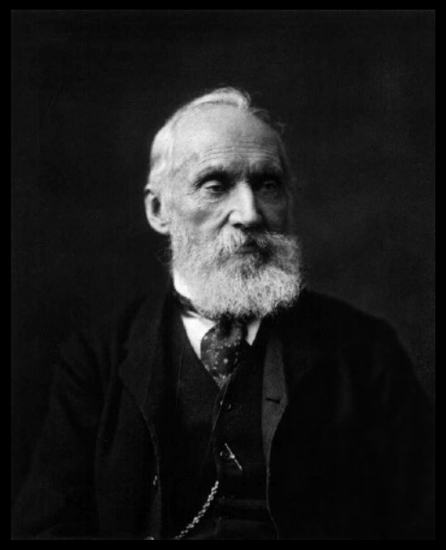


In 1933, Swiss astronomer Fritz Zwicky applied a mathematical theorem to infer the existence of what he called Dunkle Materie, coining the term dark matter. Zwicky was a noted curmudgeon and self-described "lone wolf" who claimed to "have a good idea every two years."

Grappling with the "galaxy rotation problem" (galaxies didn't have enough observable stuff in them to stop them from flying apart), Vera Rubin calculated that galaxies must contain at least six times more mass than what's observable.

Figures: Perimeter Institute

Dark matter: a problem with a long history..



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The term dark matter has been in use since early 1900s

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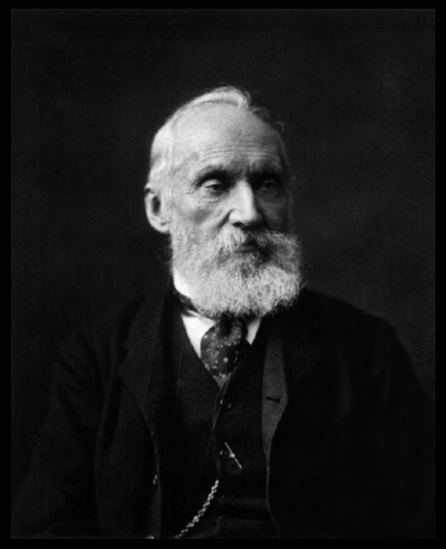

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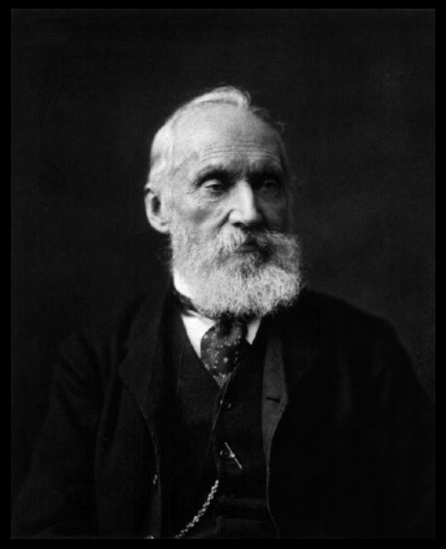

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"According to present estimates the average density of dark matter in our galaxy and throughout the rest of the universe are in the ratio 10^5*"*

"Dark matter" used by Zwicky before his Coma cluster paper…

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A History of Dark Matter

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(Dated: May 26, 2016)

Although dark matter is a central element of modern cosmology, the history of how it became accepted as part of the dominant paradigm is often ignored or condensed into a brief anecdotical account focused around the work of a few pioneering scientists. The aim of this review is to provide the reader with a broader historical perspective on the observational discoveries and the theoretical arguments that led the scientific community to adopt dark matter as an essential part of the standard cosmological model.

"A history of Dark Matter" GB & Hooper - RMP *1605.04909*

HOW DARK MATTER CAME TO MATTER

JACO DE SWART

Institute of Physics
University of Amsterdam

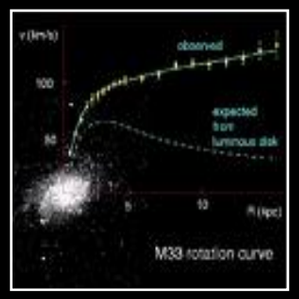
Ph.D. Thesis

October 2021 – version 2.0

"How dark matter came to matter" de Swart, GB, van Dongen - Nature Astronomy; *1703.00013*

What is the Universe made of?

OBSERVATIONS



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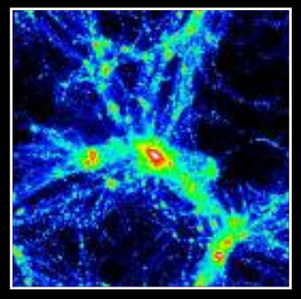
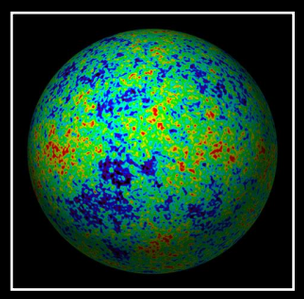


• Clusters of galaxies



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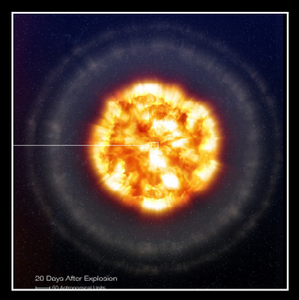

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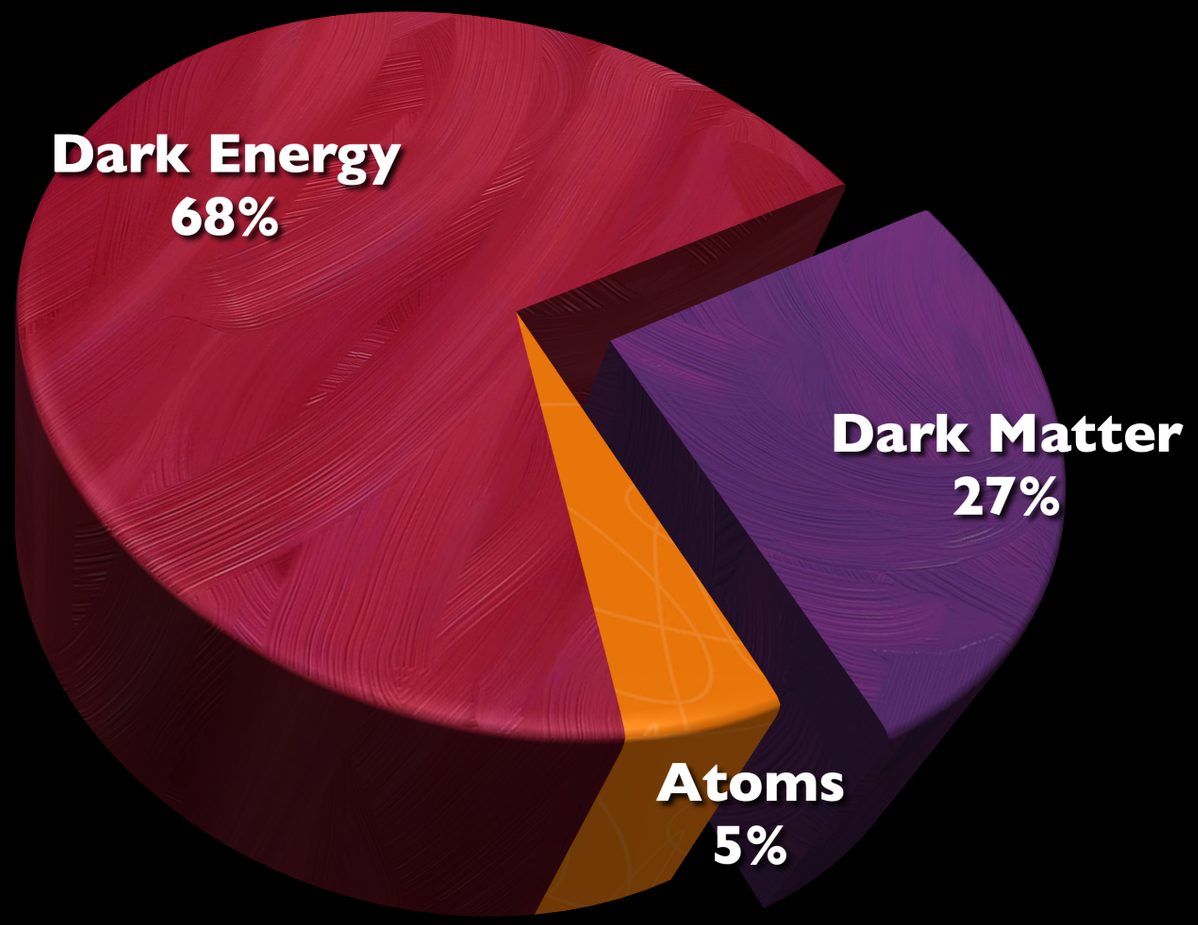

[statement valid *now*, and on *very large scales*]

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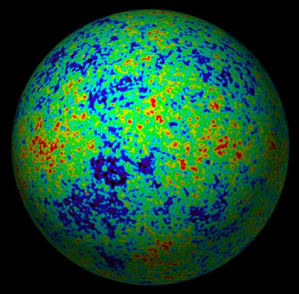
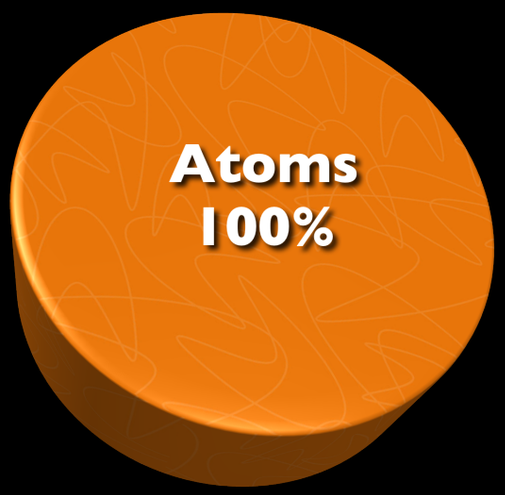
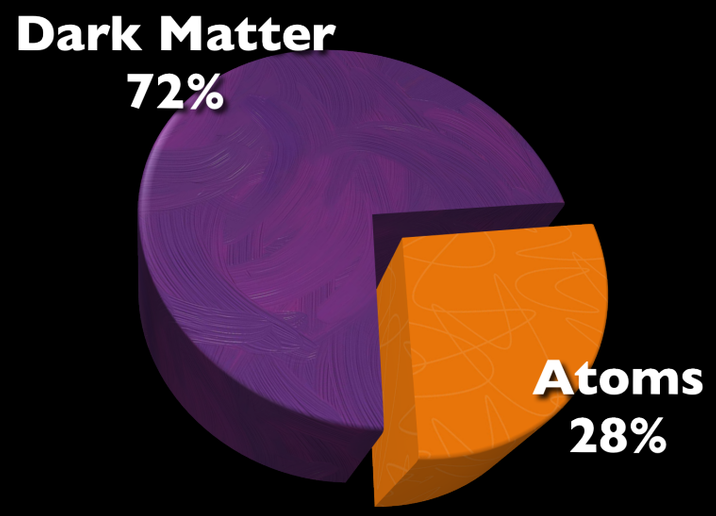
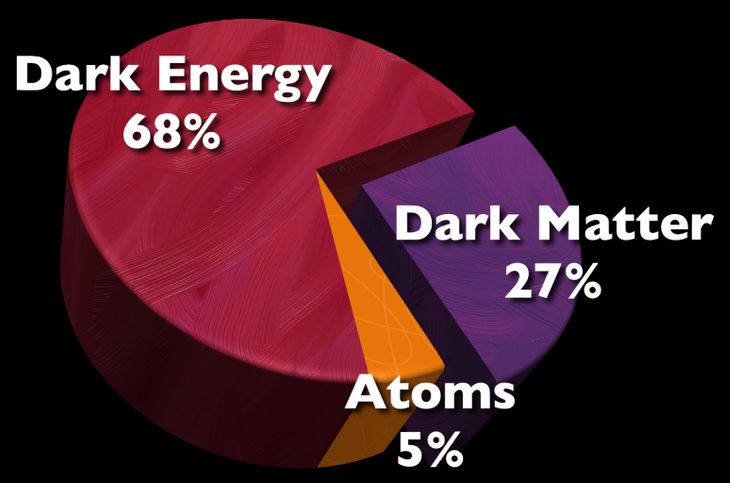


Posti & Helmi, A&A 621, A56 (2019)







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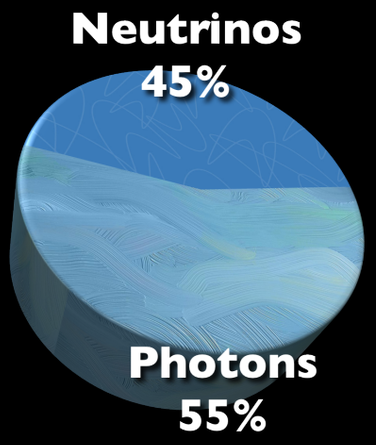

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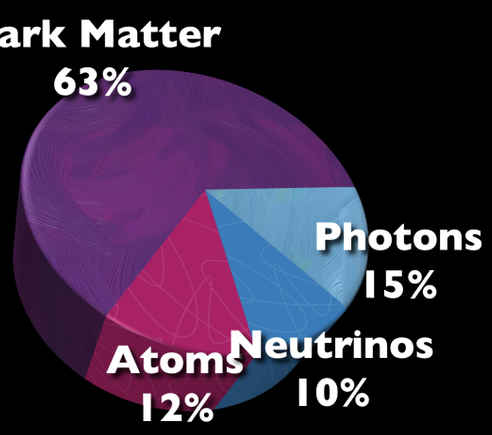

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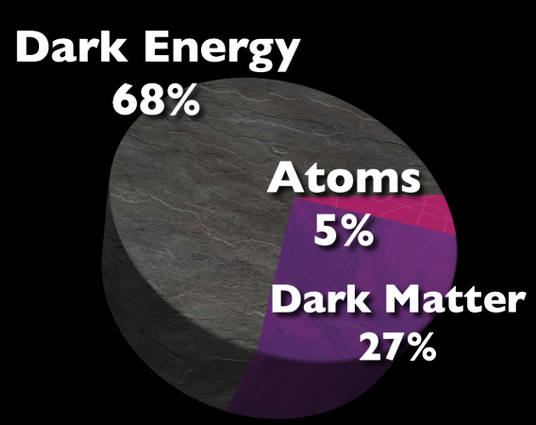

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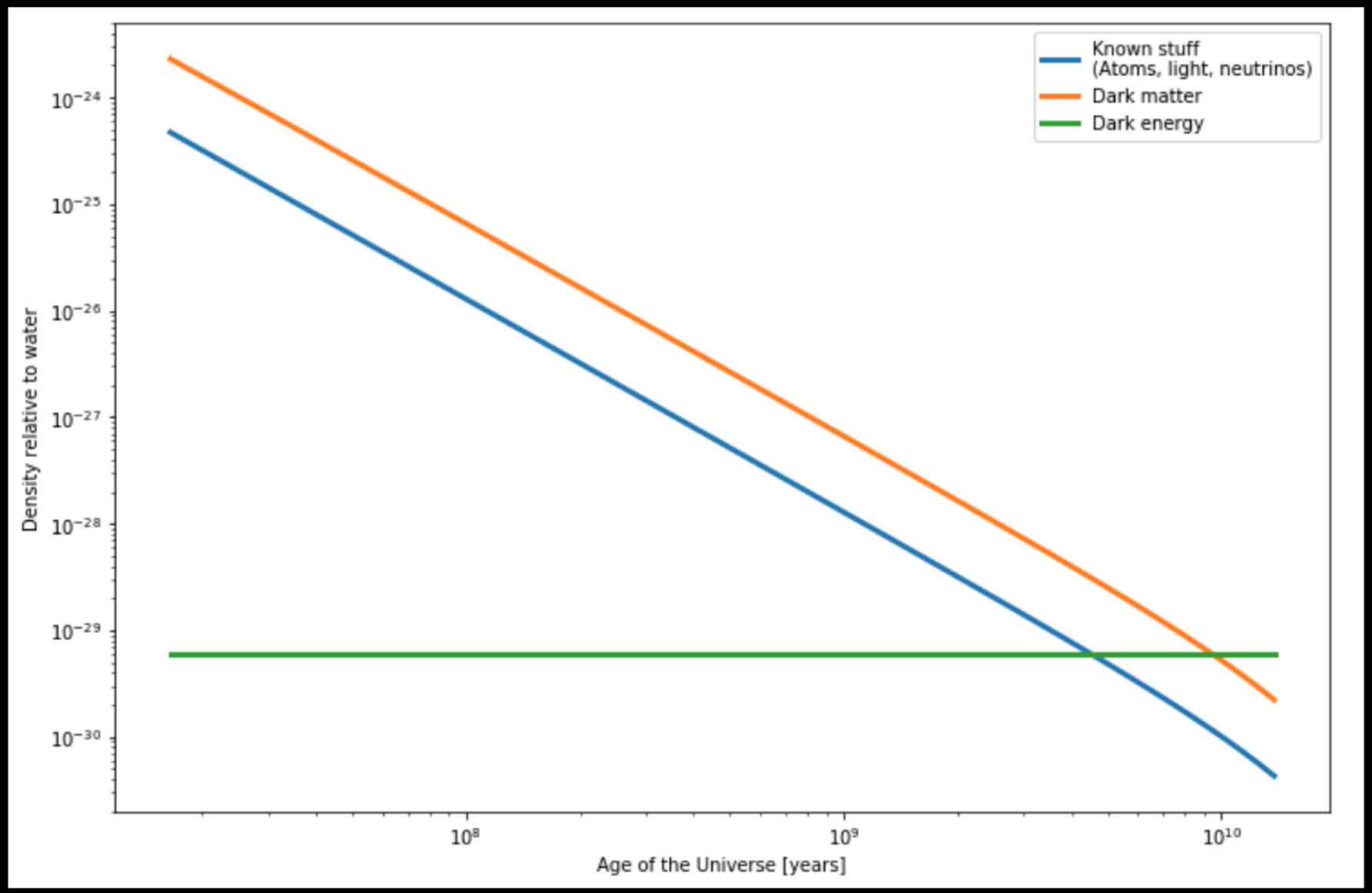
Evolution of matter/energy density



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Simulating Galaxy Formation

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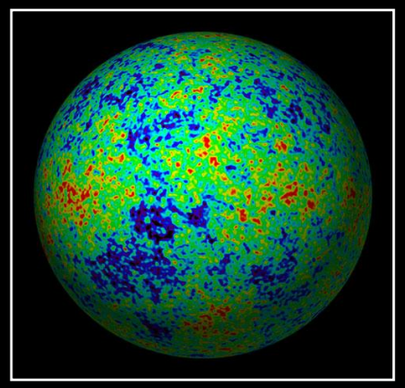

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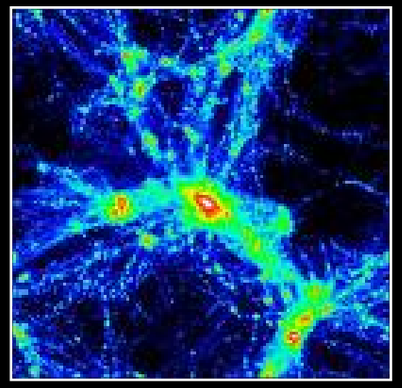

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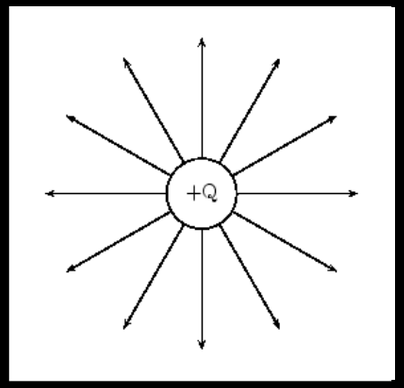

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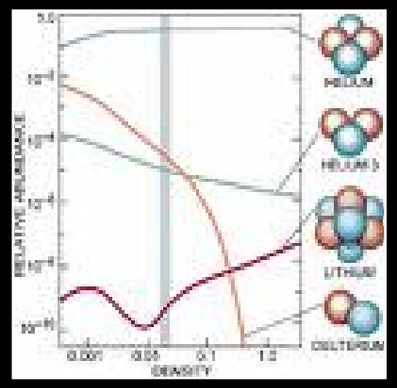

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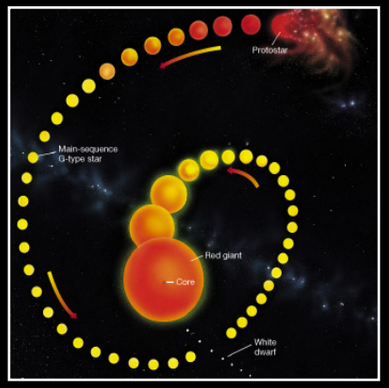

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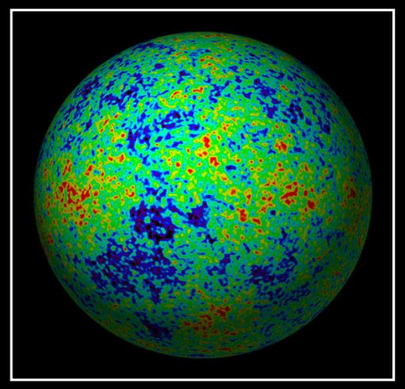

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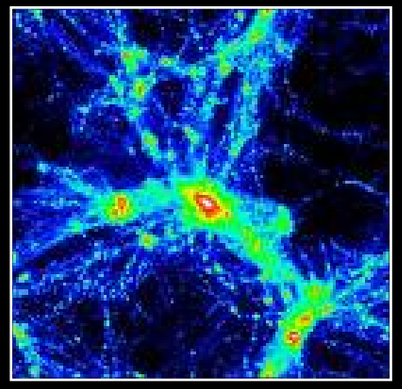

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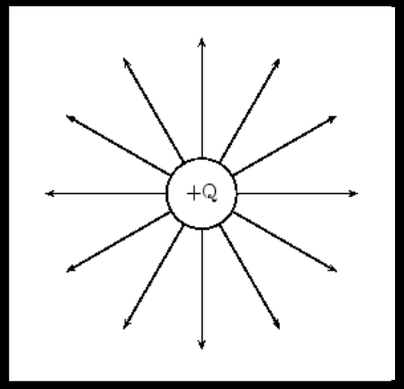

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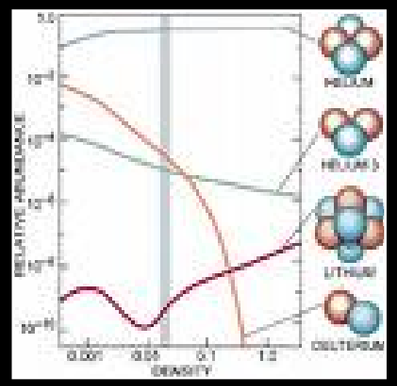

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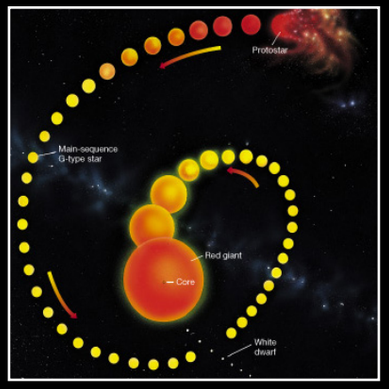
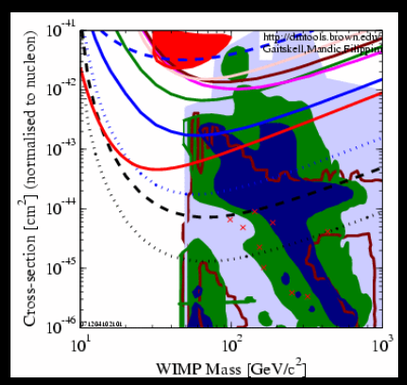
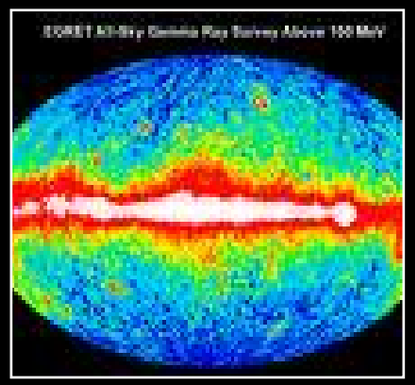


6) Collisionless?

7) Couplings OK?



8) γ-rays OK?

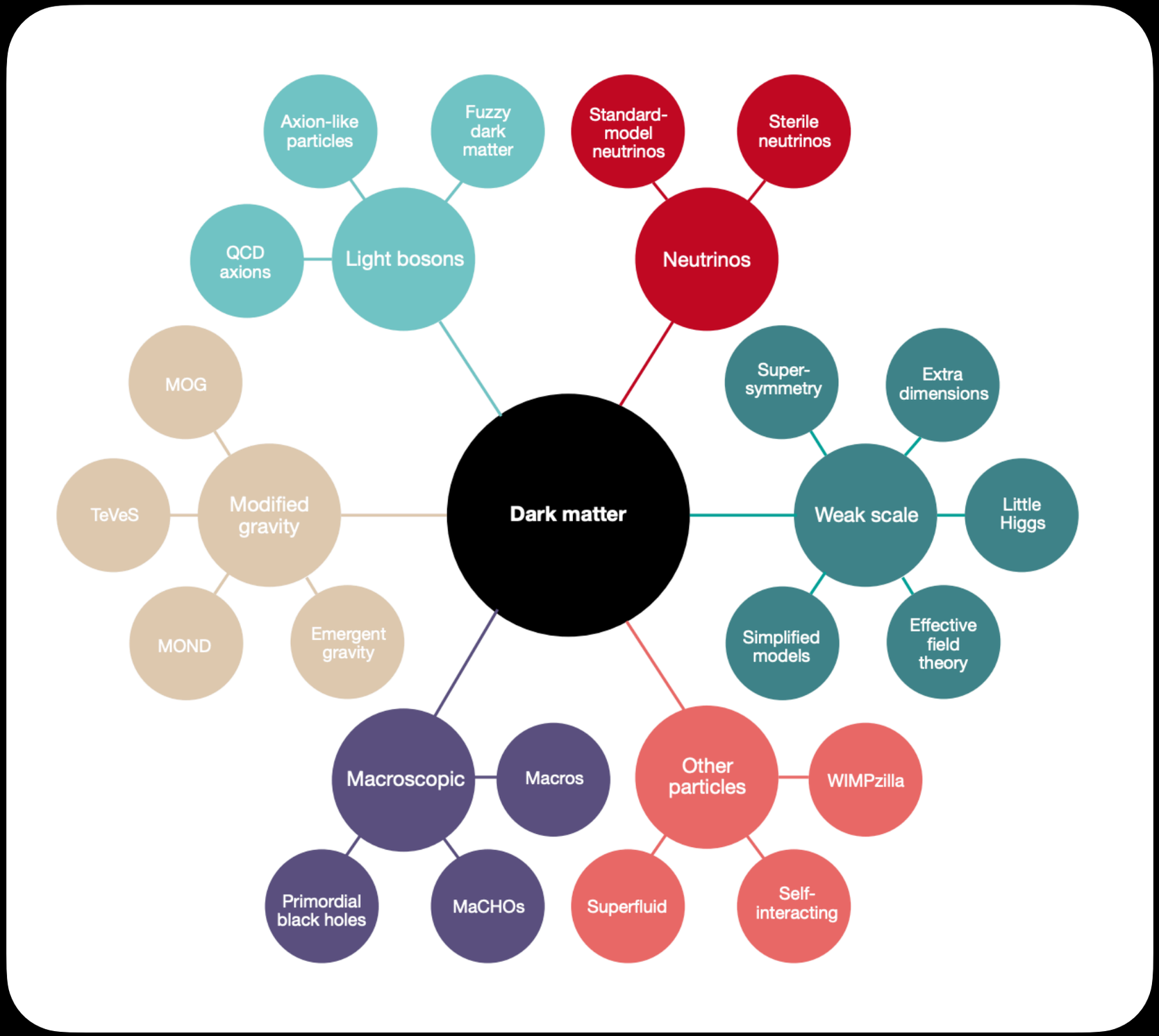


9) Astro bounds?

10) Can probe it?

Taoso, GB, Masiero 0711.4996

Candidates



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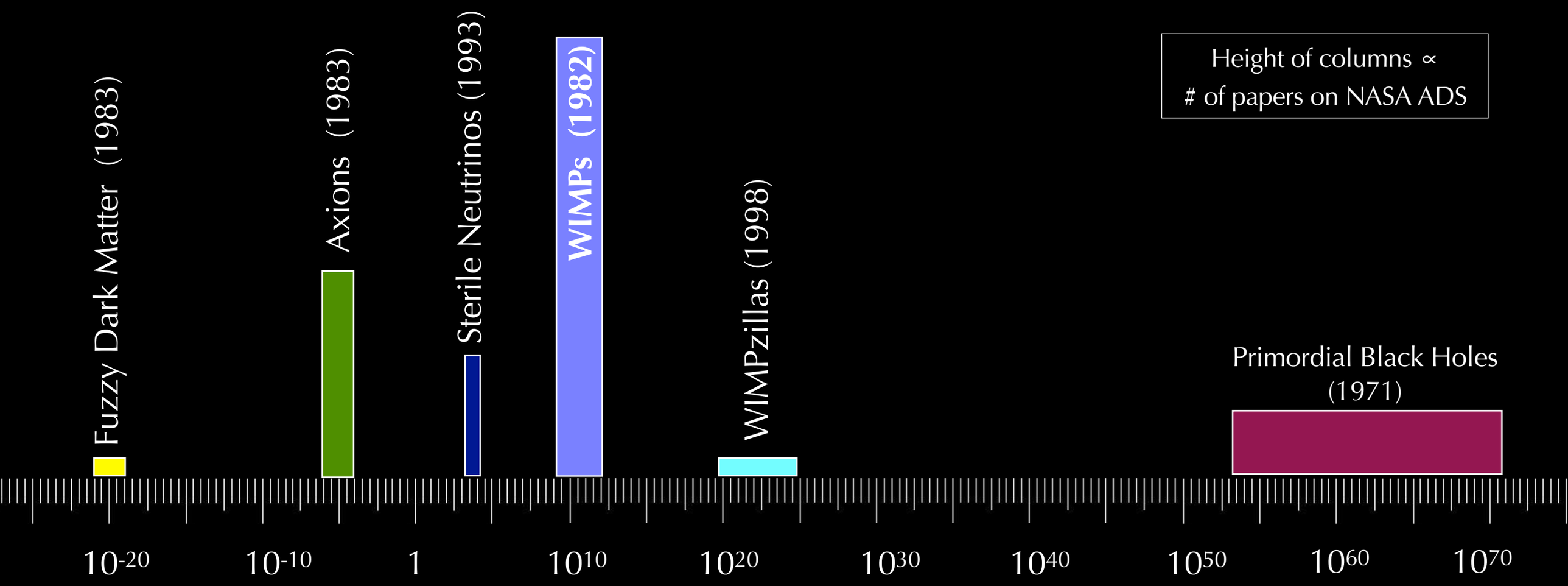
Candidates

- No shortage of ideas..
- Tens of dark matter models, each with its own phenomenology
- Models span 90 orders of magnitude in DM candidate mass!



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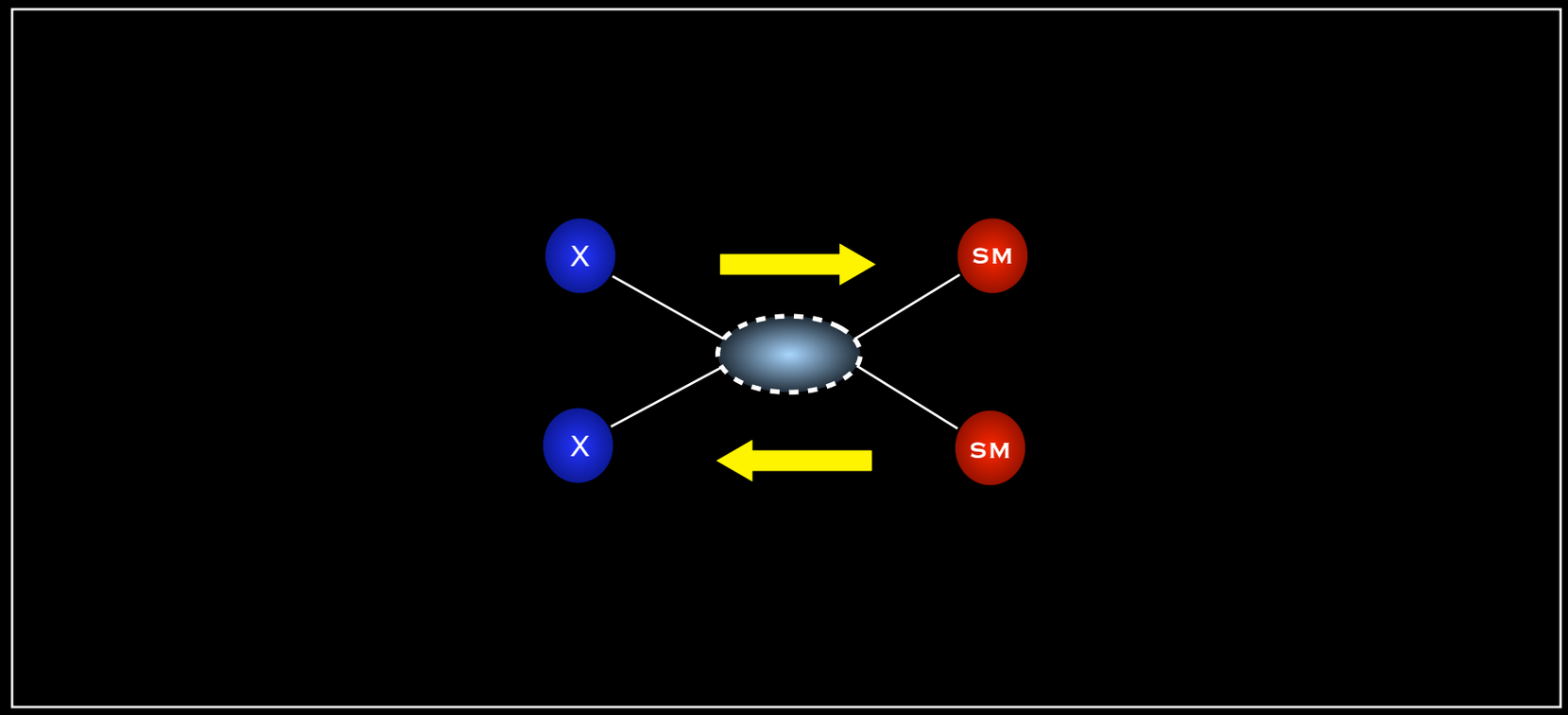

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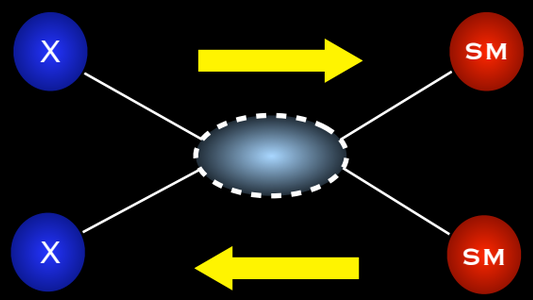


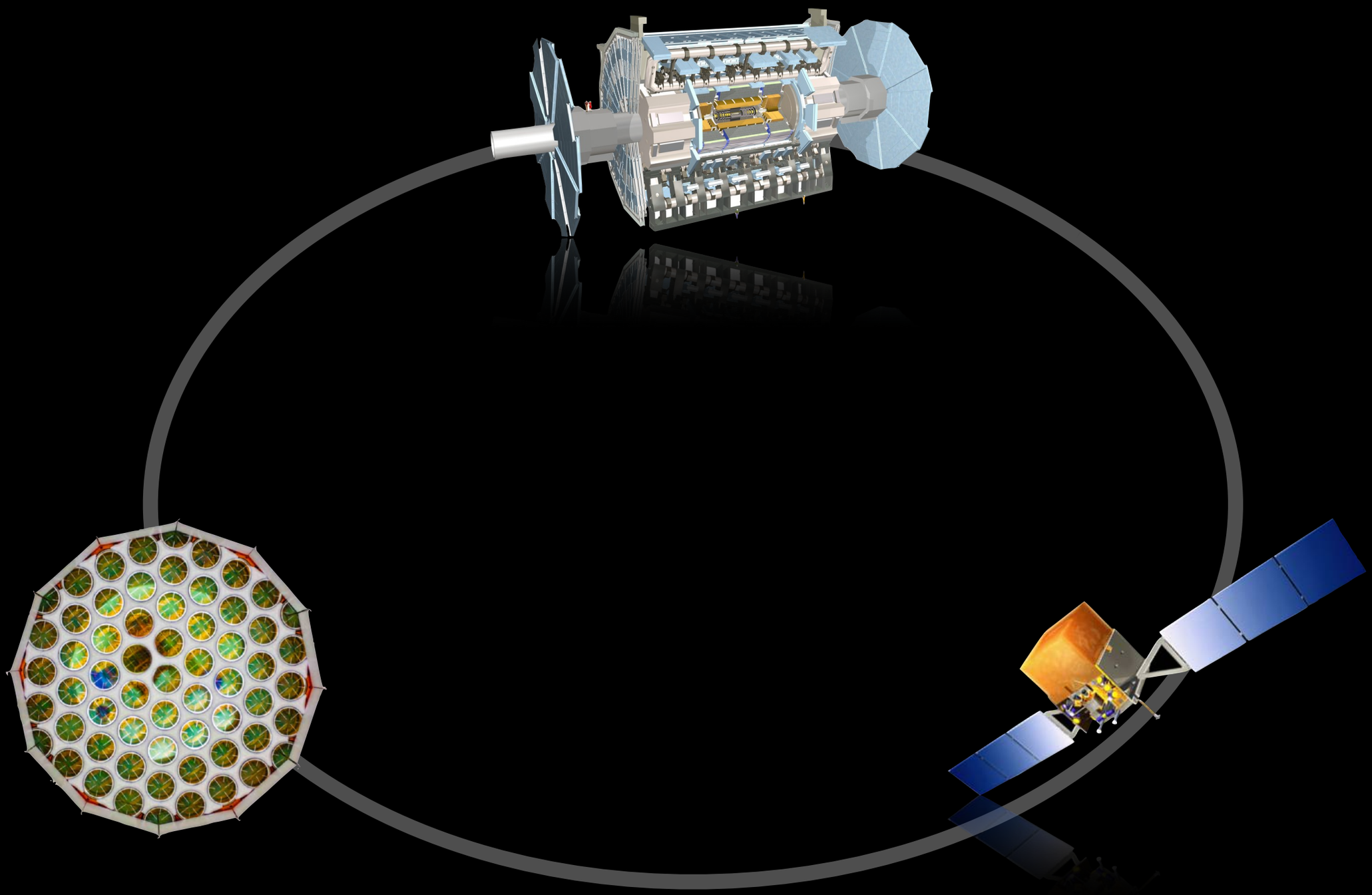
$$\frac{dn_\chi}{dt} - 3Hn_\chi = -\langle\sigma v\rangle\left[n_\chi^2 - (n_\chi^{eq})^2\right]$$

Weak-scale cross sections can reproduce observed relic density

$$\Omega h^2 \approx \frac{3\times 10^{-27}\,\mathrm{cm^3 s^{-1}}}{<\sigma v>}$$

'WIMP miracle': new physics at ~1 TeV solves at same time fundamental problems of particle physics (*hierarchy problem*) AND DM

WIMPs searches



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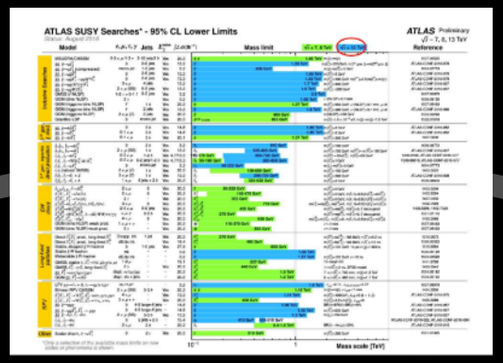

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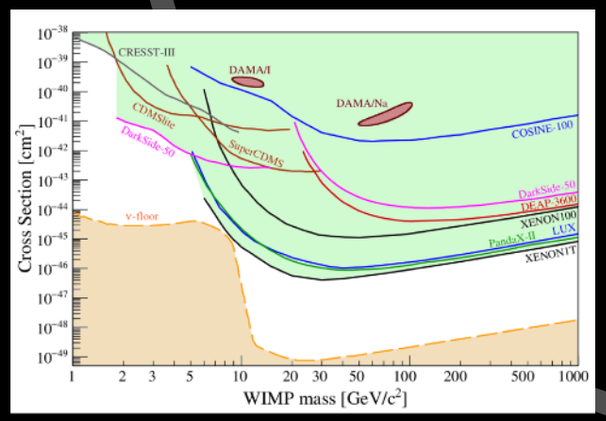

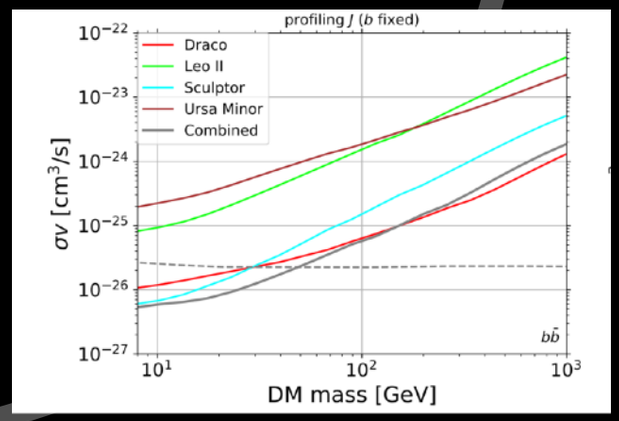

Are WIMPs ruled out?

NO

absence of evidence ≠ evidence of absence

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ATLAS/CMS searches do put pressure on SUSY, and in general on "naturalness" arguments (e.g. Giudice 1710.07663).

However:

I. Non-fine tuned SUSY DM scenarios still exist (Beekveld+ 1906.10706)

II. WIMP paradigm ≠ WIMP miracle: particles at ~ EW scale may exist irrespectively of naturalness + achieve right relic density, thus be = DM

III. Clear way forward: 15 years of LHC data + DD experiments all the way to "neutrino floor"

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A new era in the search for DM

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III. Exploit Gravitational Waves

Searching for dark matter substructures in the MW

The future of dark matter searches

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DM $\overset{?}{=}$ BHs

Primordial Black Holes

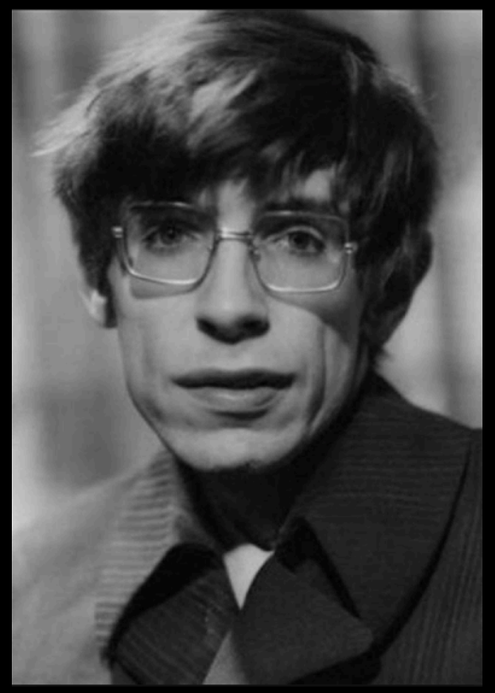
Mon. Not. R. astr. Soc. (1971) **152,** 75–78.

GRAVITATIONALLY COLLAPSED OBJECTS OF VERY LOW MASS

Stephen Hawking

(Communicated by M. J. Rees)

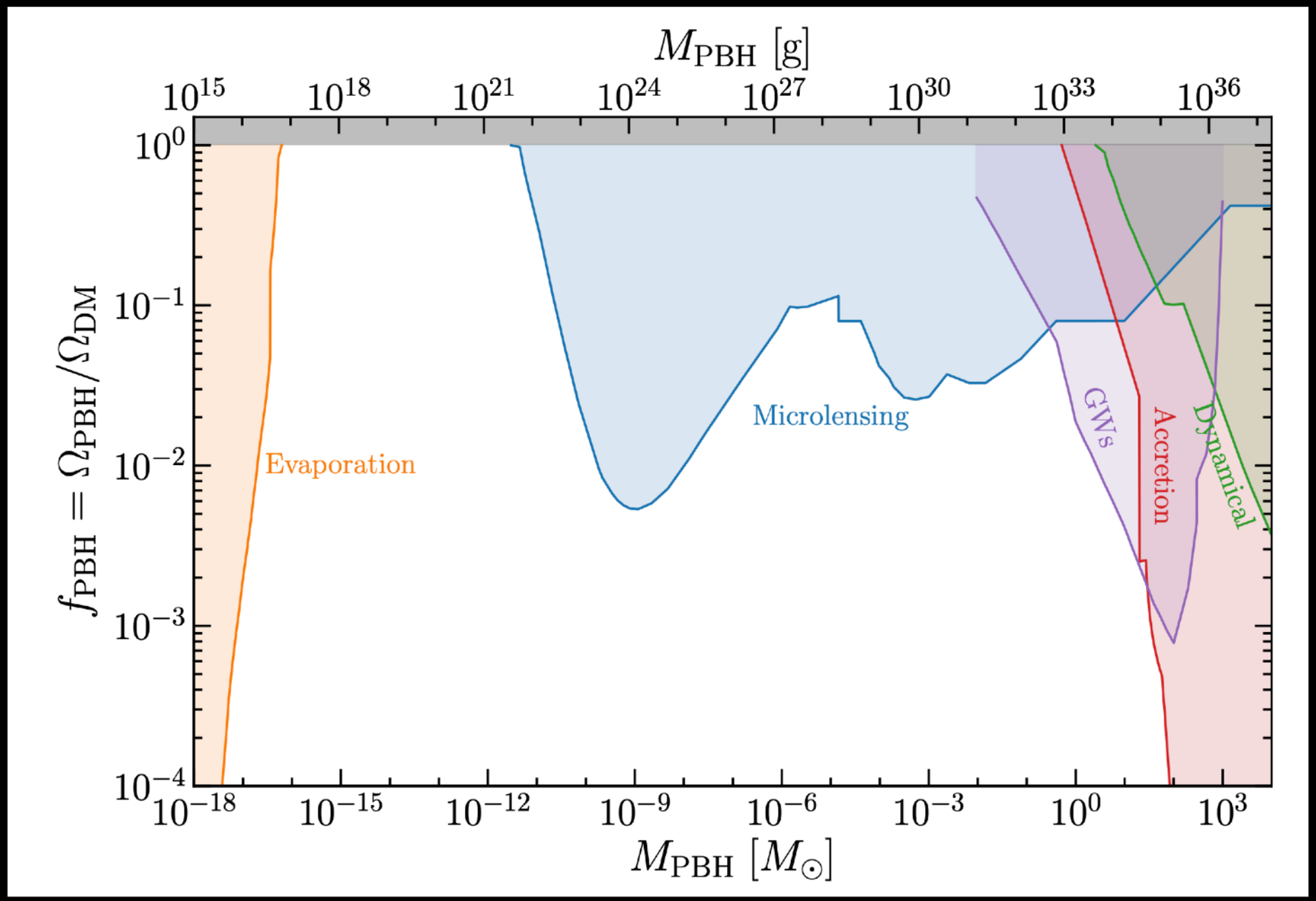
(Received 1970 November 9)



An upper bound on the number of these objects can be set from the measurements by Sandage (**7**) of the deceleration of the expansion of the Universe. These measurements indicate that the average density of the Universe cannot be greater than about 10^{-28} g cm^{-2}. Since the average density of visible matter is only about 10^{-31} g cm^{-2}, it is tempting to suppose that the major part of the mass of the Universe is in the form of collapsed objects. This extra density could stabilize clusters of galaxies which, otherwise, appear mostly not to be gravitationally bound.

DM $\stackrel{?}{=}$ BHs

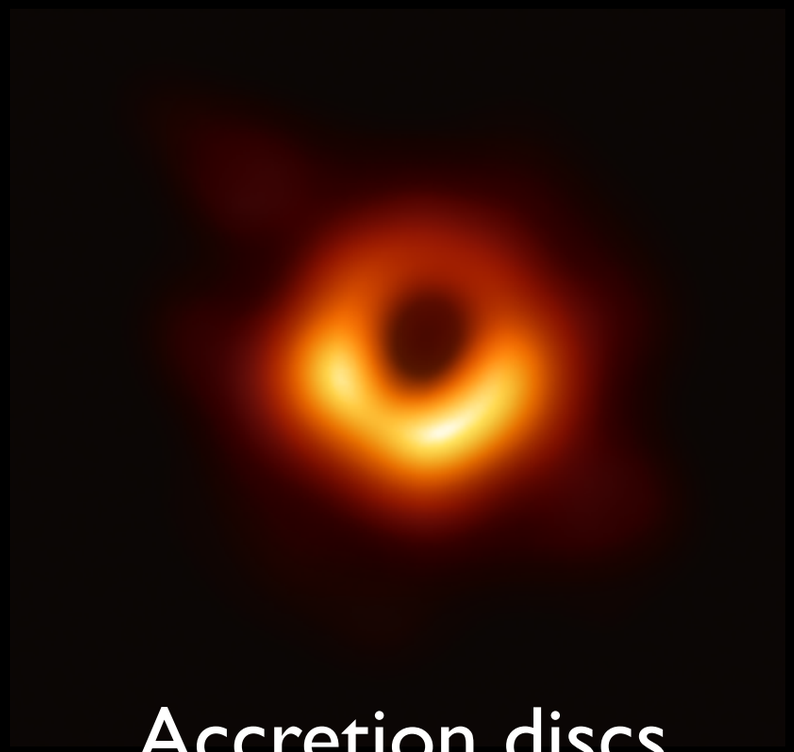
In principle possible if BHs are *primordial*, in order to satisfy BBN constraints, but…



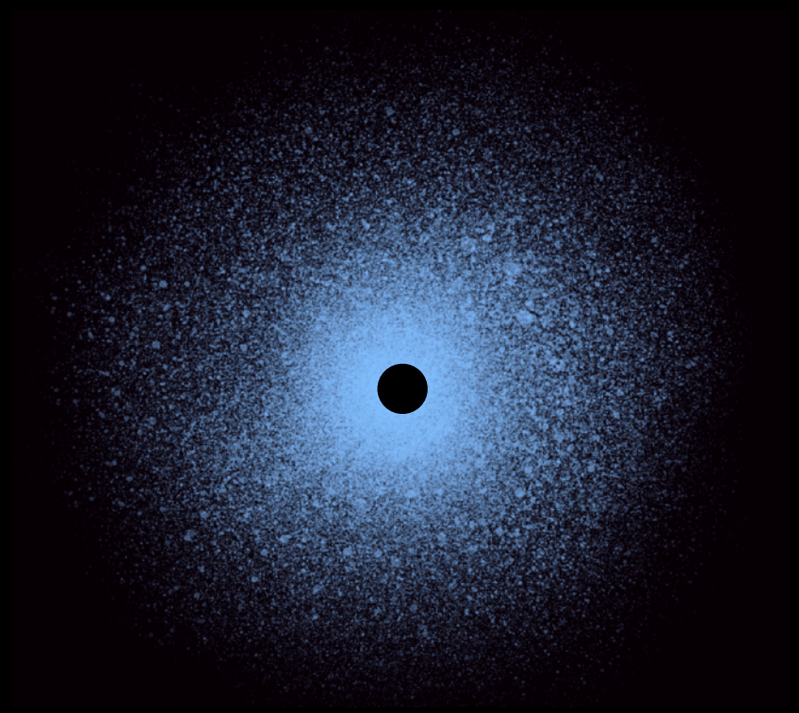
Green & Kavanagh 2007.10722

DM *around* BHs?

BH environments



Accretion discs



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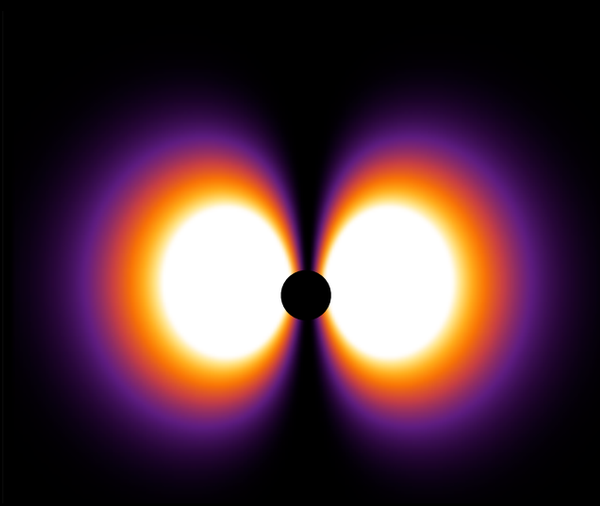
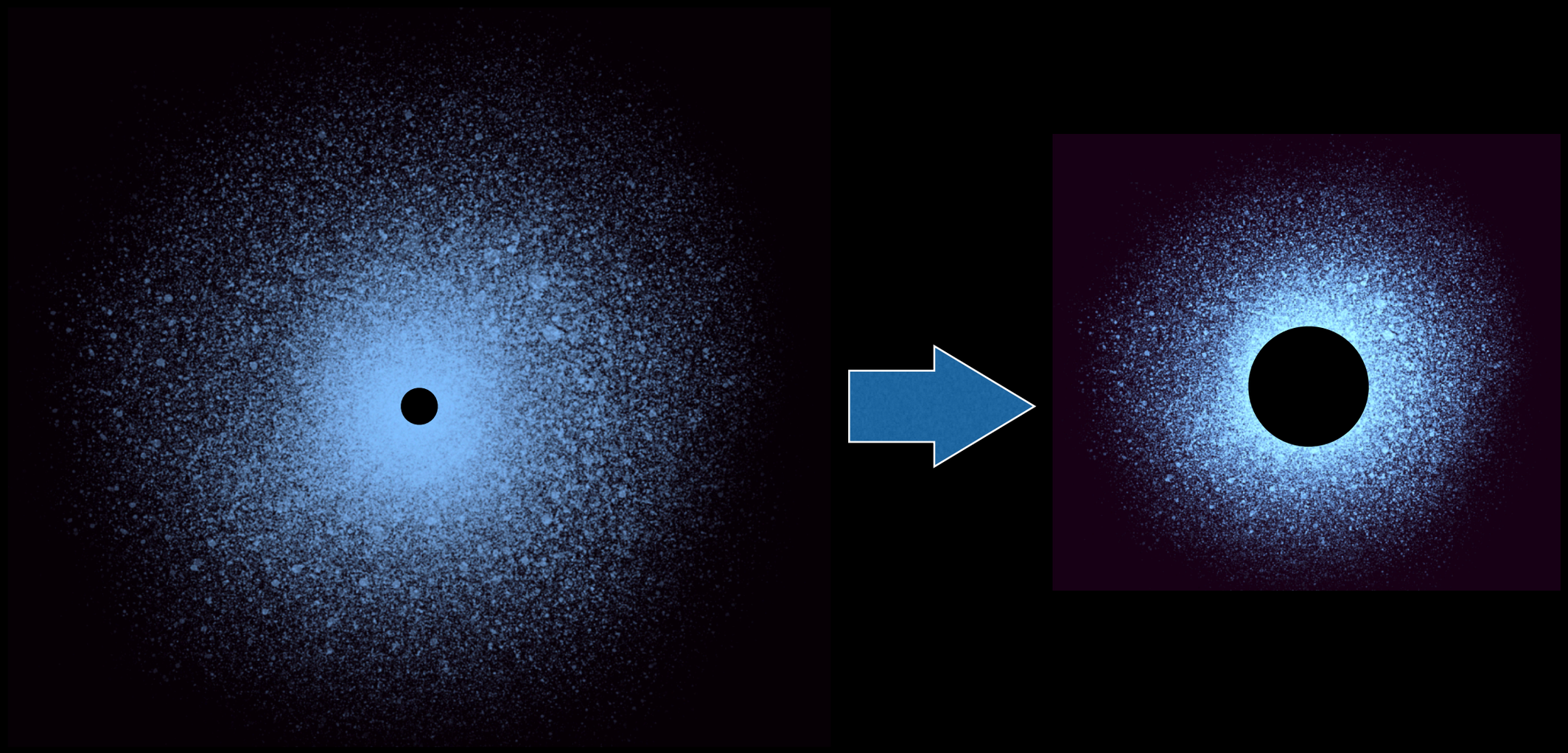


Gravitational atoms

Accretion discs

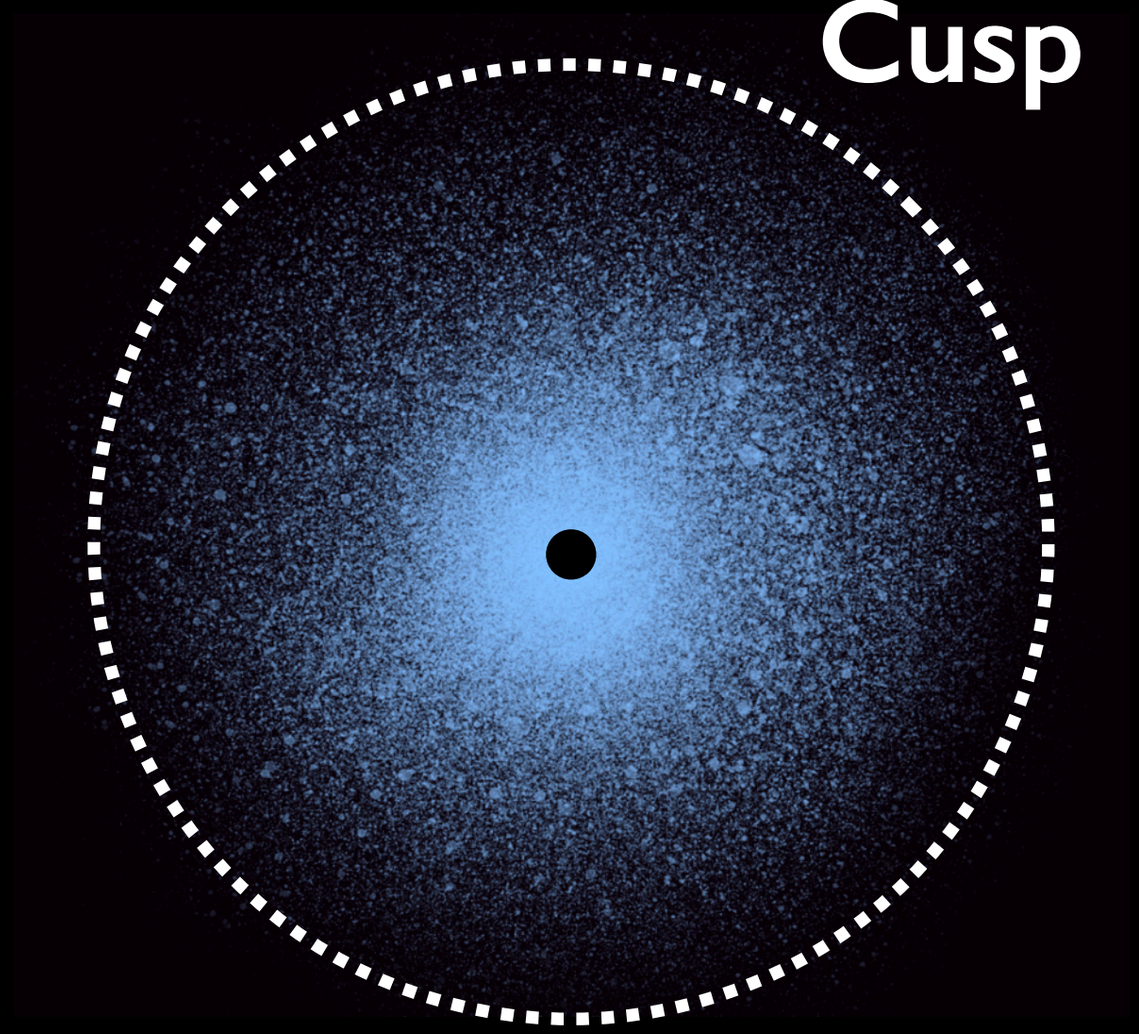
Event Horizon Telescope 2019

DM ‘spikes’ around Astrophysical BHs



DM ‘spikes’ around SMBH and IMBH

Cusp



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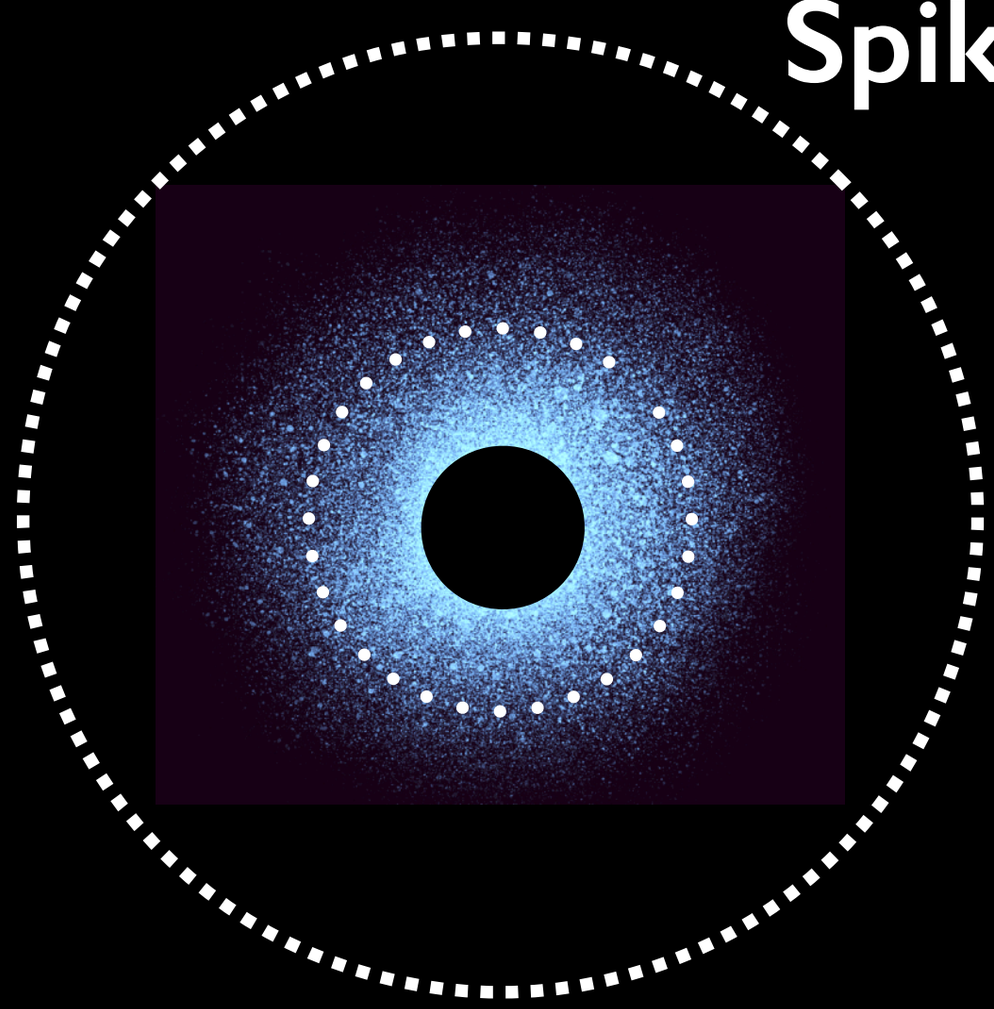

$$\rho_{\rm cusp}(r) \sim r^{-\gamma}$$

$$\rho_{\rm spike}(r) \sim r^{-\gamma_{\rm sp}}\ ,\ \gamma_{\rm sp} = \frac{9-2\gamma}{4-\gamma}$$

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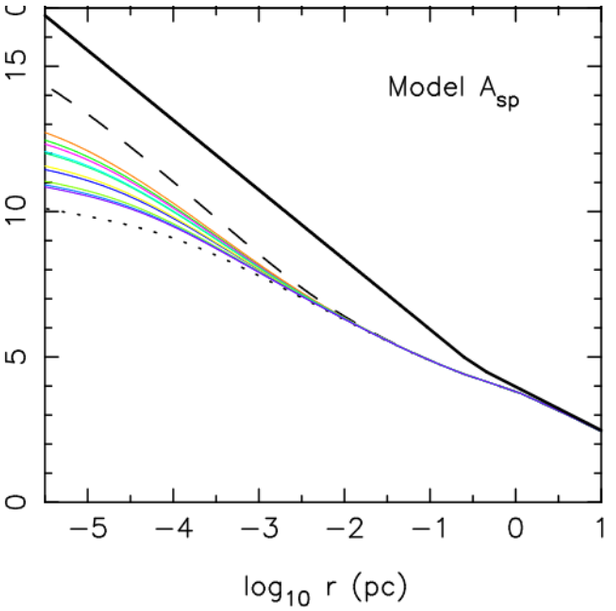

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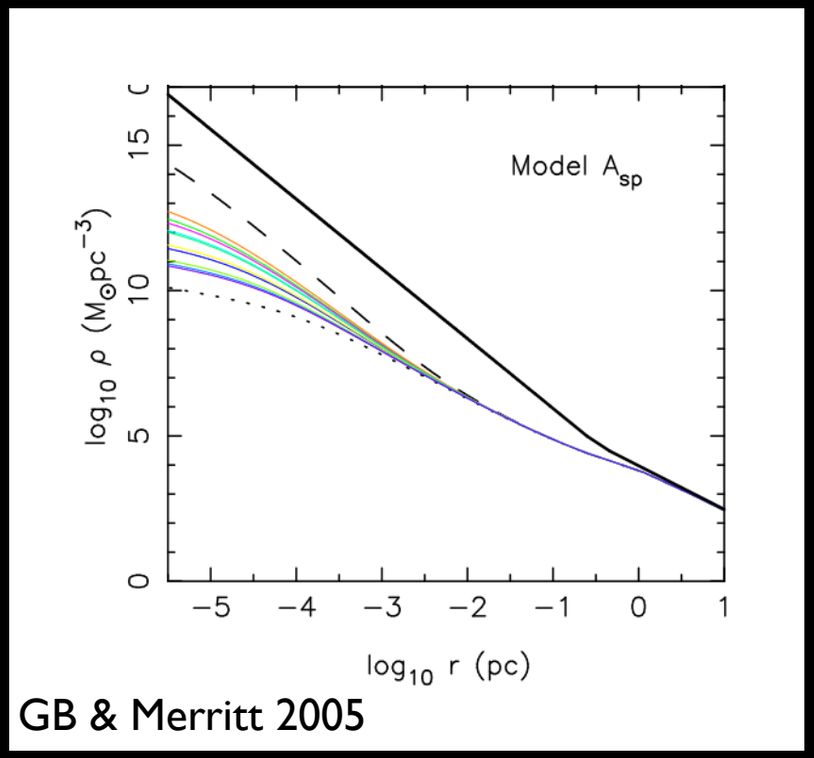

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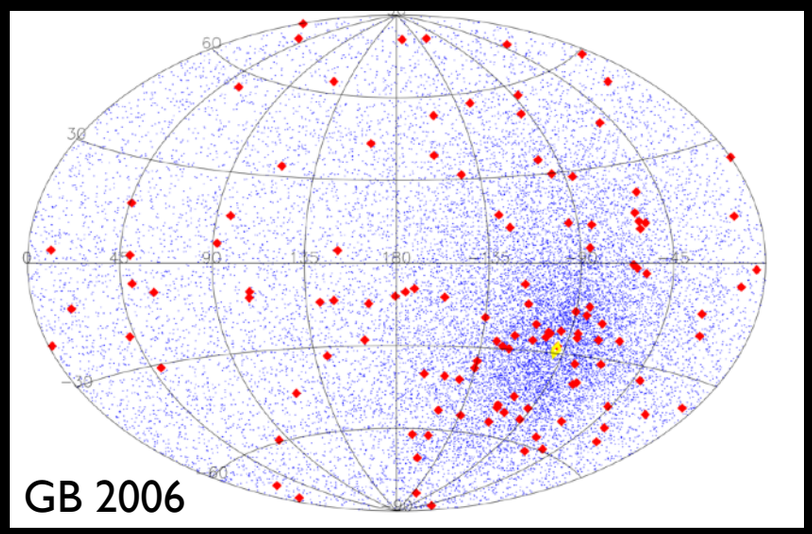
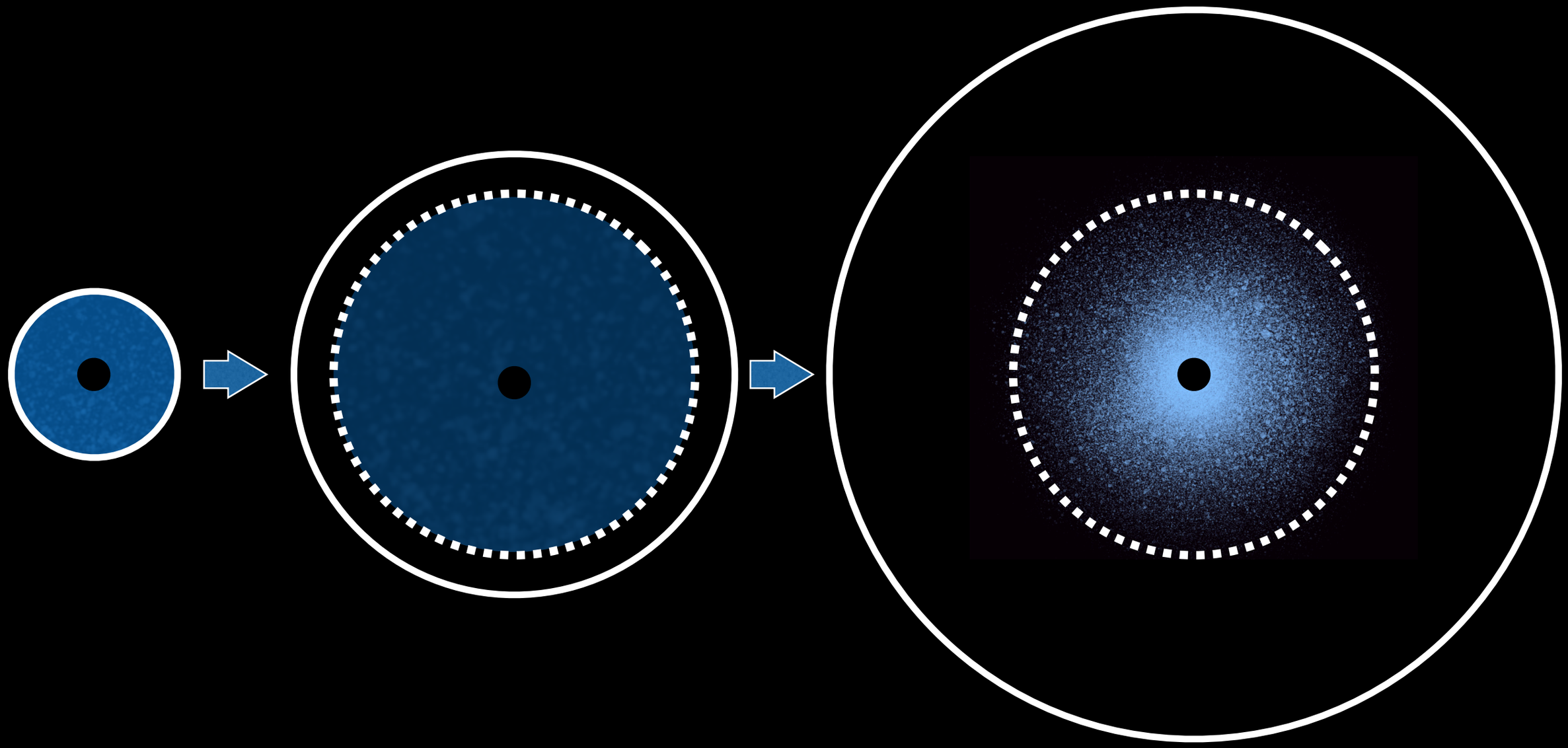

GB 2006

- ‘Mini-spikes’ around IMBHs! (GB, Zentner, Silk astro-ph/0509565)
- Targets for indirect detection (eg with neutrino telescopes GB astro-ph/0603148, Freese+ 2202.01126)

DM overdensities around PBHs



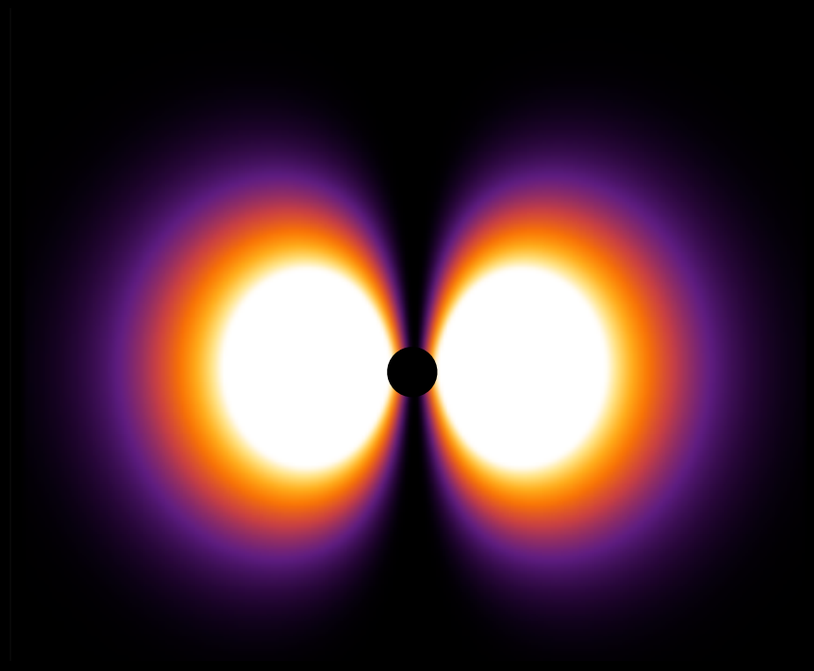
PBH

‘Turnaround’ point, when particles decouple from expansion

$$\rho_{\rm DM}(r) \sim r^{-9/4}$$

Adamek+ 1901.08528, Boudaud+ 2106.07480, ..

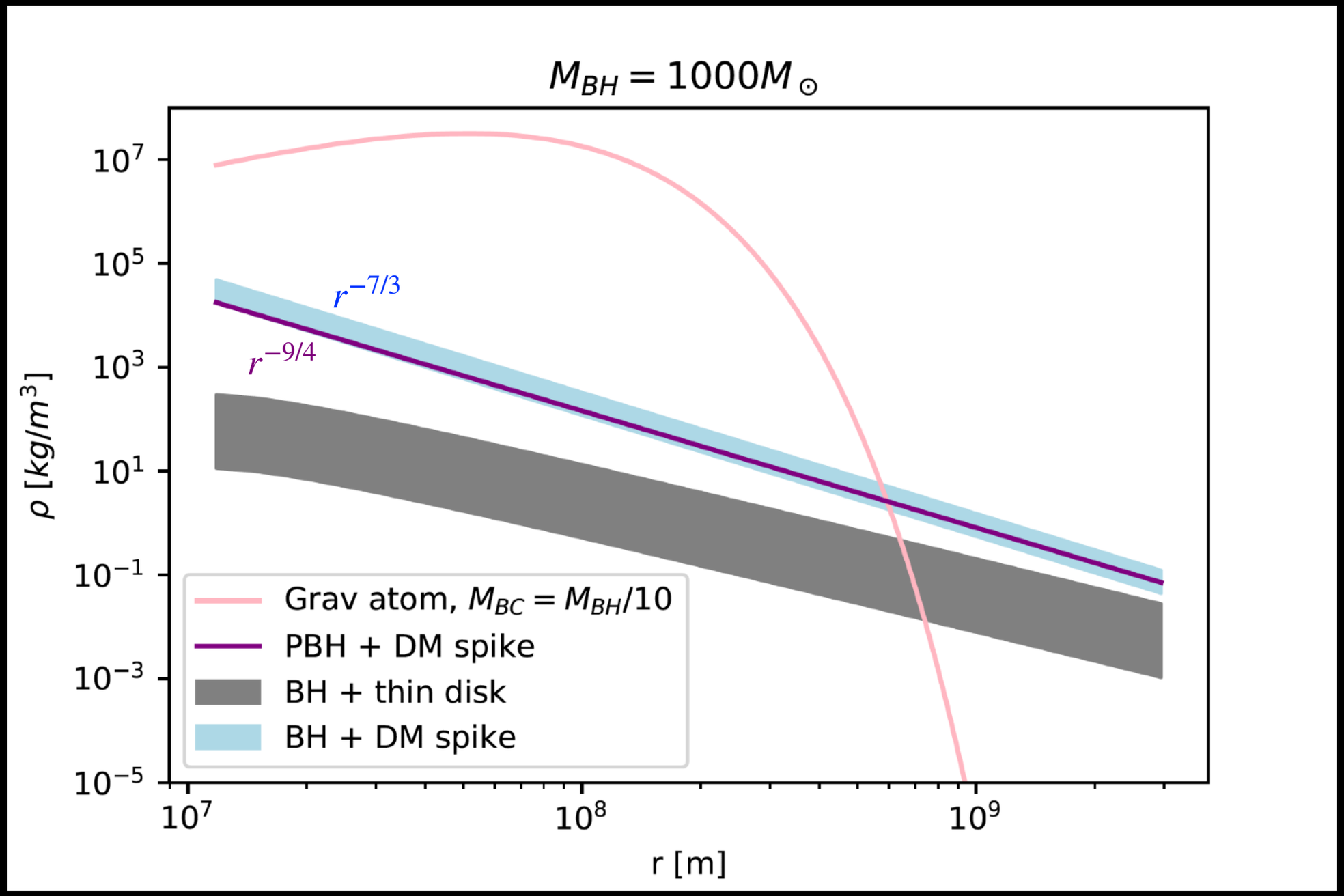
Gravitational atoms



Y. Zel'Dovich (1971,1972); C. Misner (1972); A. Starobinsky (1973); W. East and F. Pretorius (2017); R. Brito, V. Cardoso, and P. Pani (2015) …

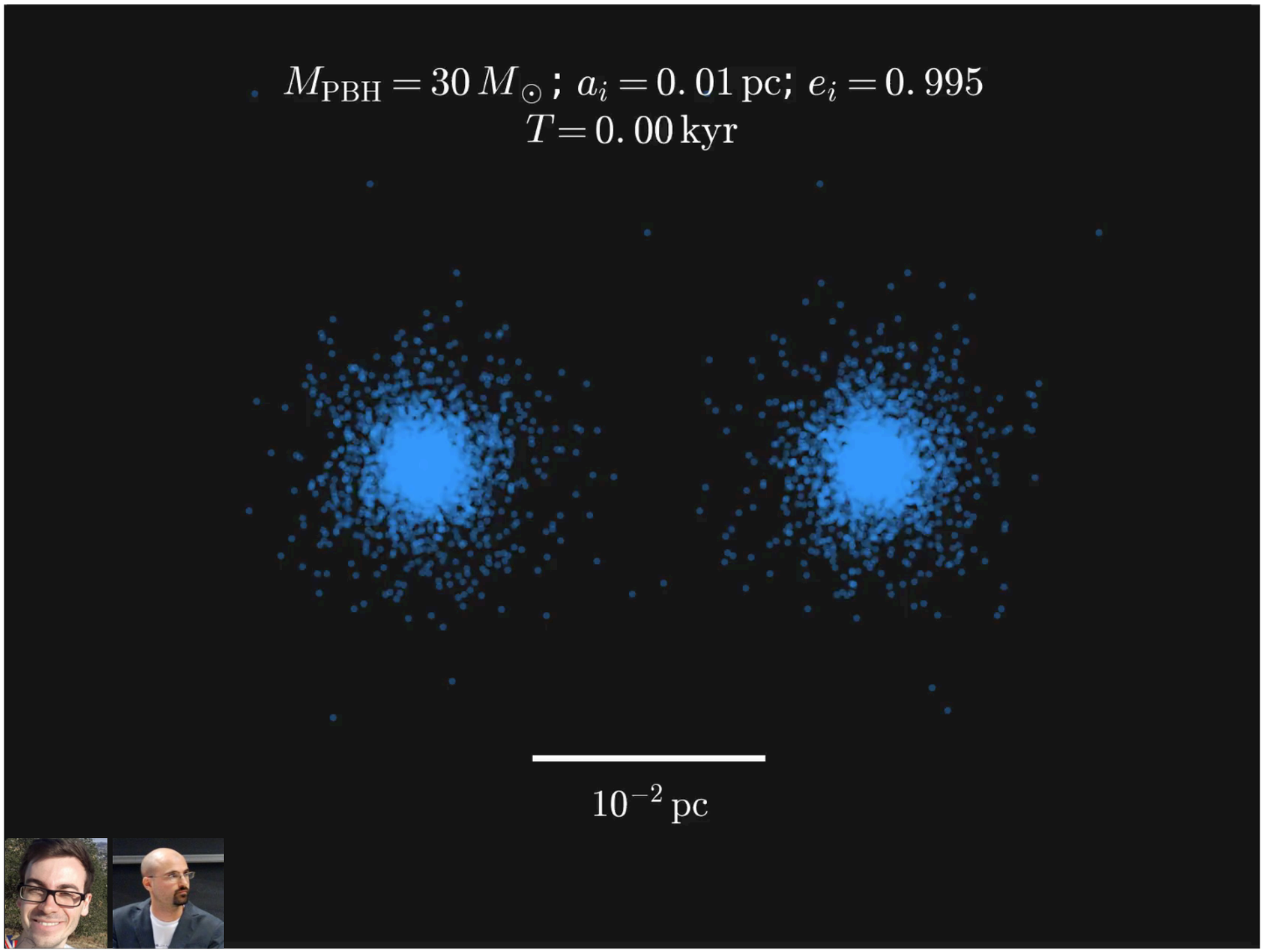
- If ultra-light bosons exist, they can be produced around rotating black holes through a process called **superradiance**
- This effect can extract enough mass and angular momentum to form large **cloud** of **condensate** of the bosonic field
- BH + boson cloud = **gravitational atom,** in analogy with proton-electron structure in H atom

BH environments



Pippa Cole, GB, + *in preparation*

‘Dressed’ BH-BH merger



Kavanagh, Gaggero & GB, arXiv:1805.09034

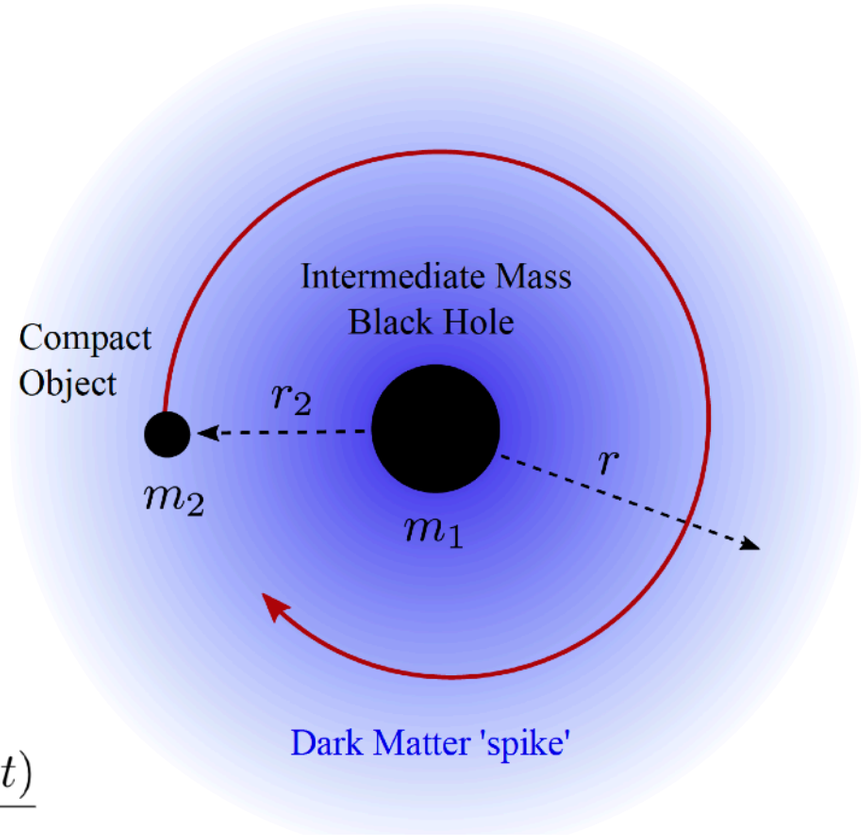
EMRIs in presence of spikes

Energy losses:

$$\dot{E}_{\rm orb} = -\dot{E}_{\rm GW} - \dot{E}_{\rm DF}$$

Separation:

$$\dot{r}_2 = -\frac{64\,G^3\,M\,m_1\,m_2}{5\,c^5\,(r_2)^3} - \frac{8\pi\,G^{1/2}\,m_2\,\log\Lambda r_2^{5/2}\,\rho_{\rm DM}(r_2,t)\,\xi(r_2,t)}{\sqrt{M}m_1}$$

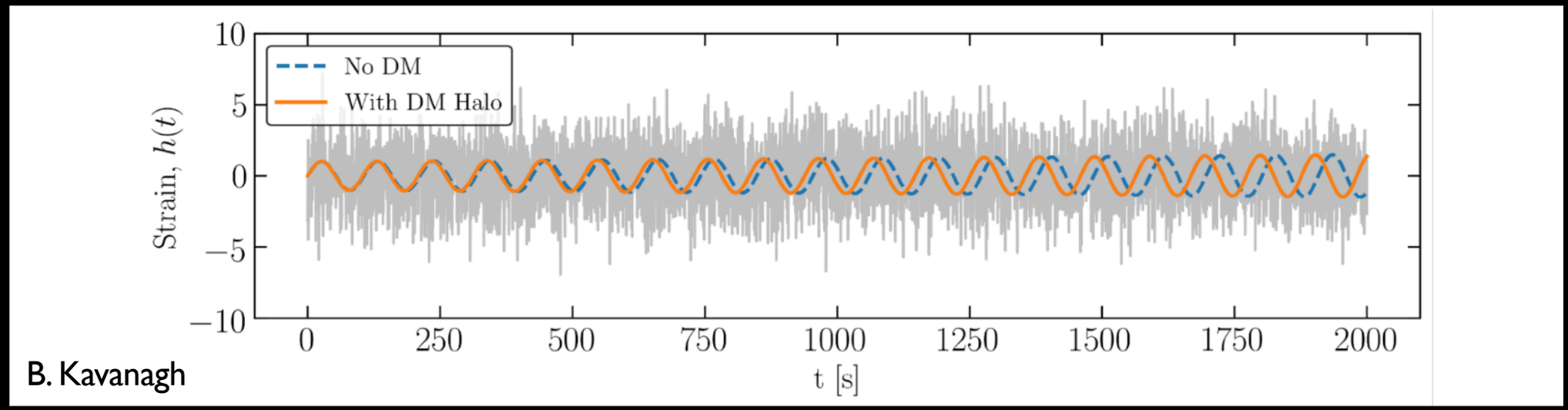


Time-dependent dark matter profile:

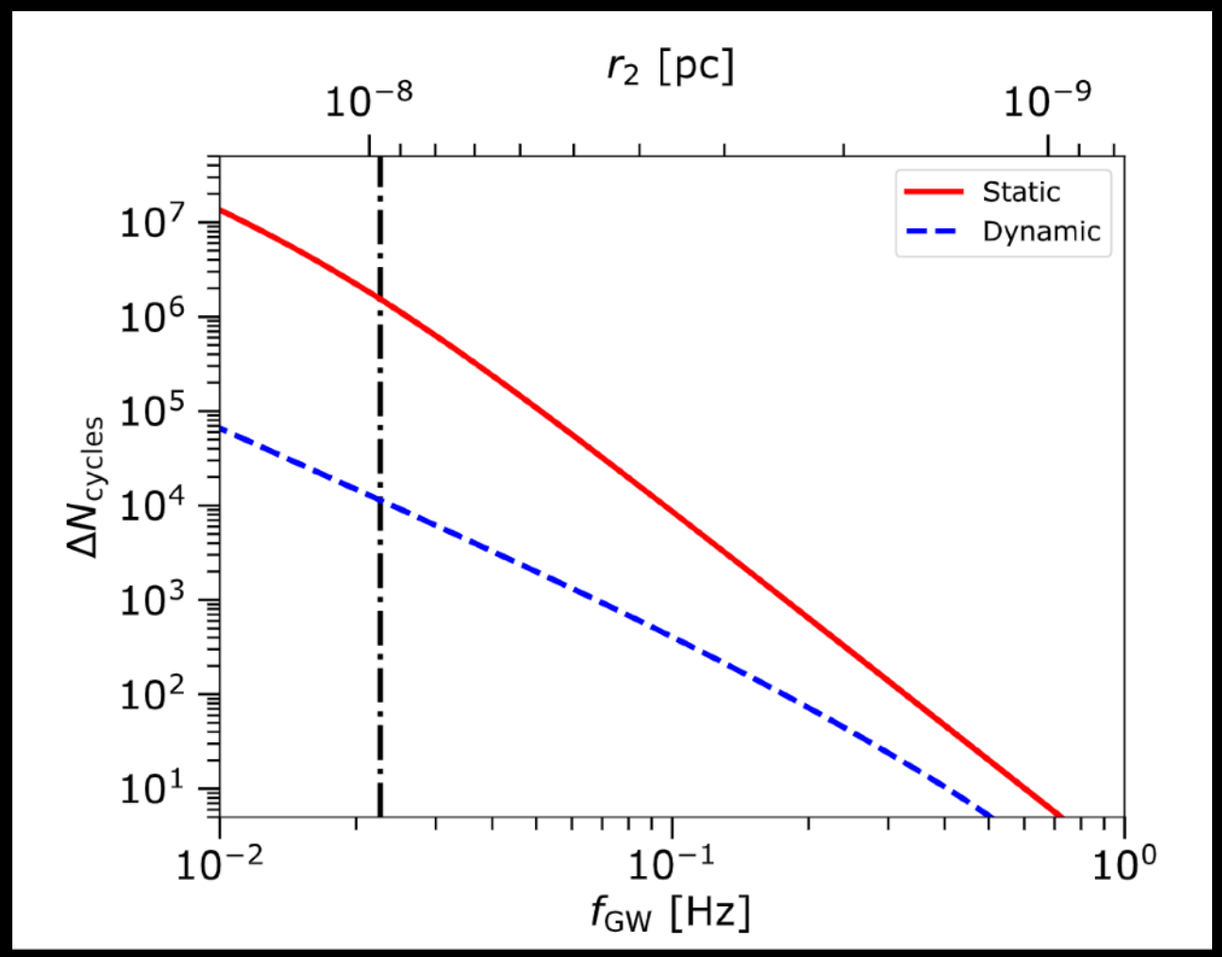
$$T_{\rm orb}\frac{\partial f(\mathcal{E},t)}{\partial t} = -p_{\mathcal{E}}\,f(\mathcal{E},t) + \int\left(\frac{\mathcal{E}}{\mathcal{E}-\Delta\mathcal{E}}\right)^{5/2} f(\mathcal{E}-\Delta\mathcal{E},t)P_{\mathcal{E}-\Delta\mathcal{E}}(\Delta\mathcal{E})\,{\rm d}\Delta\mathcal{E}$$

Kavanagh, GB et al. 2002.12811

Gravitational Waveform dephasing



B. Kavanagh



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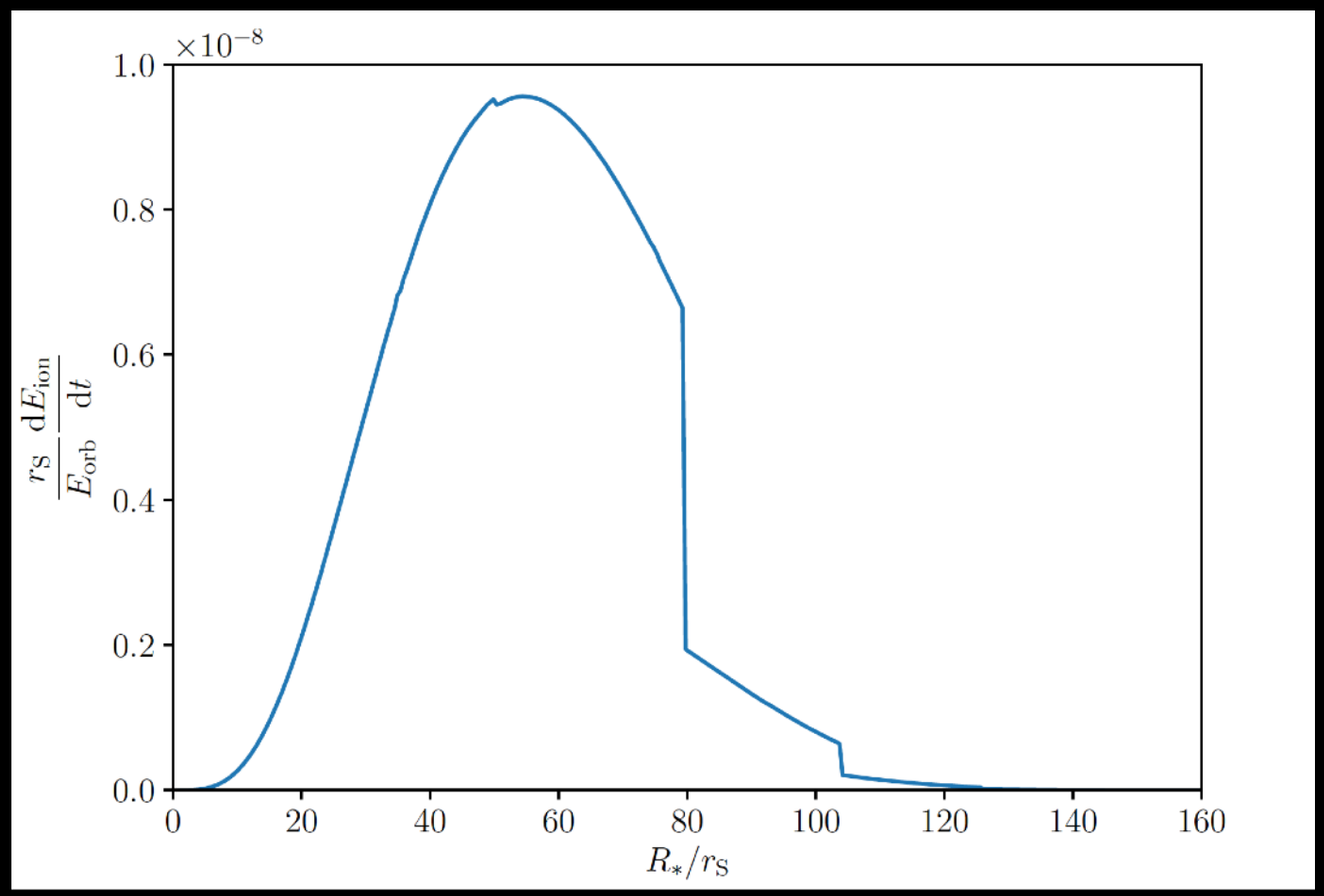
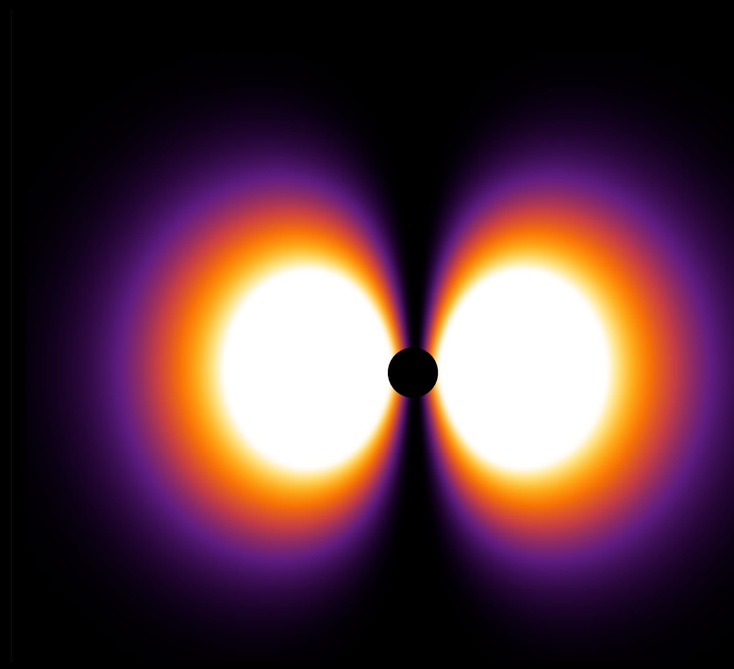
- Dark matter modifies binary dynamics via dynamical friction (Eda+ 2013, 2014)
- Binary modifies DM phase space via dynamical friction (2002.12811)
- This induces a dephasing of the waveform, potentially detectable e.g. with LISA

EMRIs in presence of Gravitational Atoms

Energy lost by the binary due to 'ionisation'





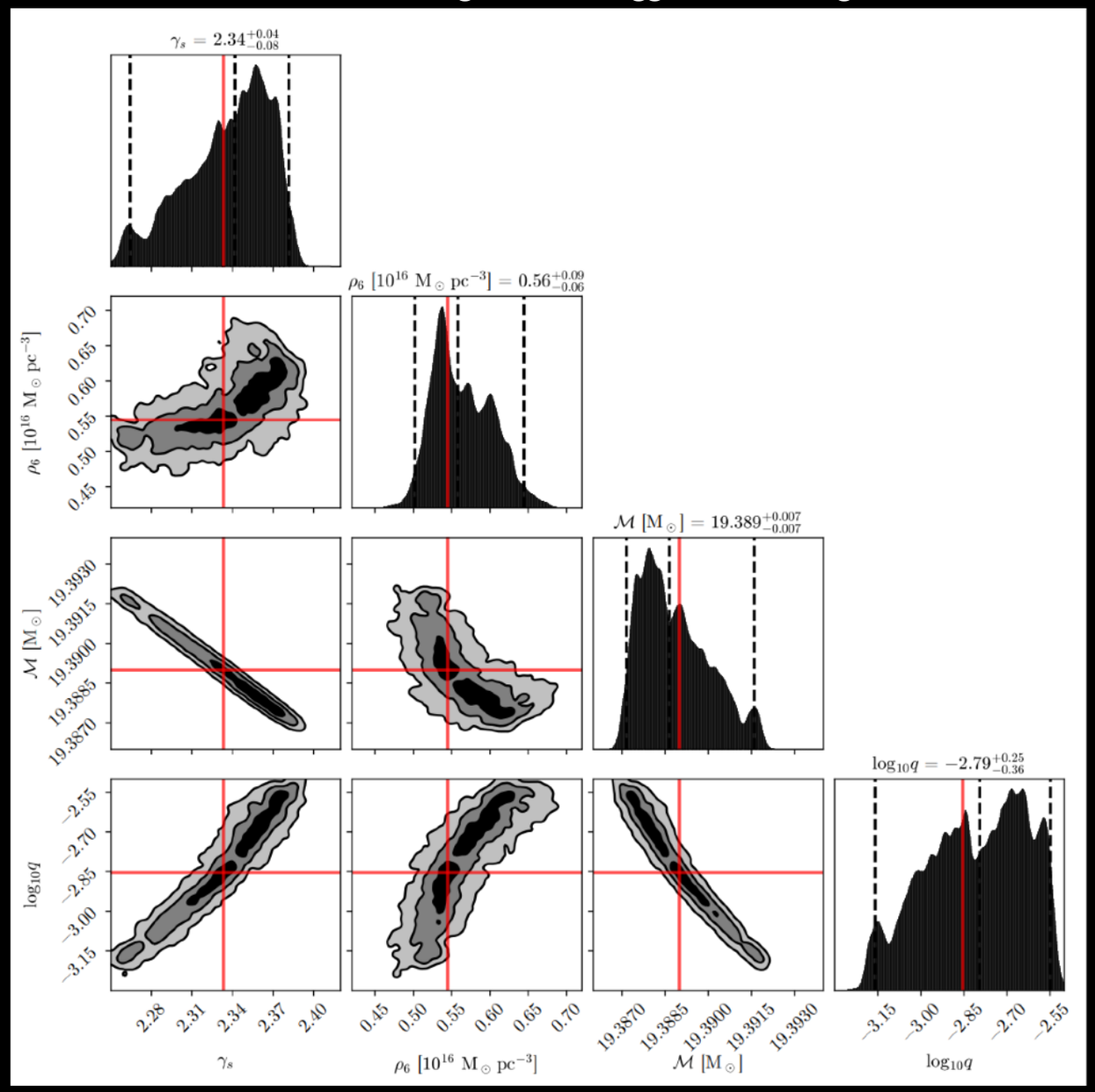
- 'Resonances' due to transitions between bound states $< a \,|\, V_*(t) \,|\, b >$
  Baumann, Chia, Porto, arXiv:1804.03208

- 'Ionization', i.e. transitions to continuum $< a \,|\, V_*(t) \,|\, klm >$
  Baumann, GB, Stout, Tomaselli Phys.Rev.Lett. 128 (2022) 22, 221102

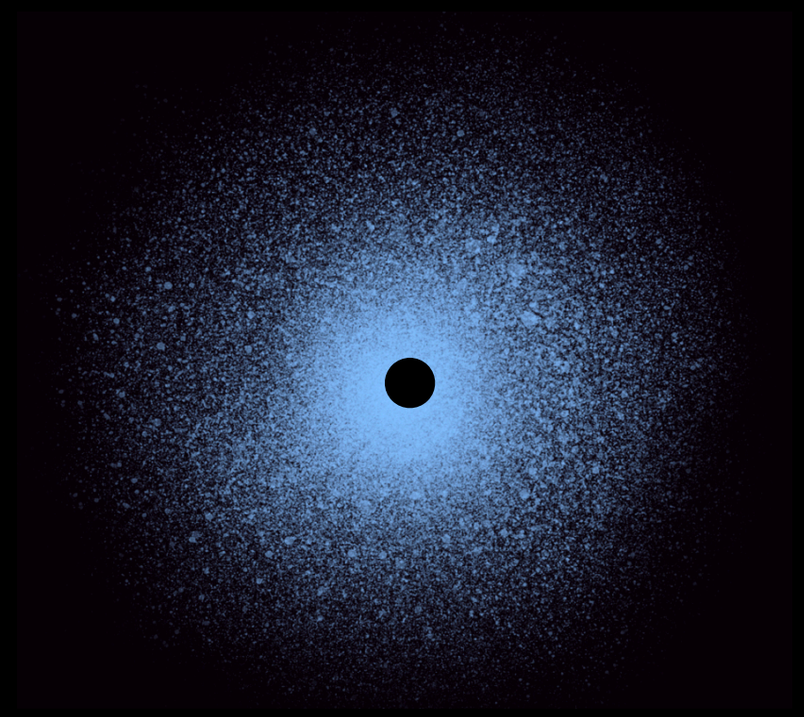
- New: important role of accretion, leading to time dependent mass ratio q(t)
  Baumann, GB, Stout, Tomaselli 2112.14777 + PRL

Signature of DM in EMRI waveforms

Coogan, GB, Gaggero, Kavanagh Nichols 2021



Spike Slope | Normalisation | Chirp Mass | Mass ratio



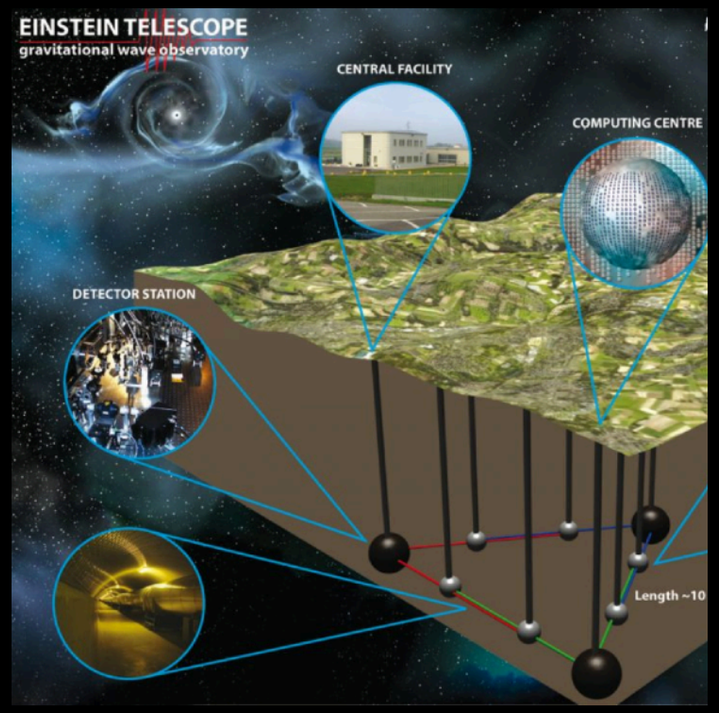
- Dark dresses within ~100 Mpc are detectable with Lisa
- Can discover that fiducial systems are not GR-in-vacuum (in terms of Bayes factor)
- Can measure DM density profile normalization, slope and even mass ratio

Can we convincingly discover *primordial* BHs?

Yes, e.g. if we:

I. Detect sub-solar mass BHs with current interferometers

(e.g. 2109.12197)



II. Detect O(100)$M_\odot$ BHs at $z > 40$ with Einstein Telescope

(e.g. 1708.07380)

III. Discover 'unique' radio signature with Square Kilometre Array

(e.g. 1810.02680)

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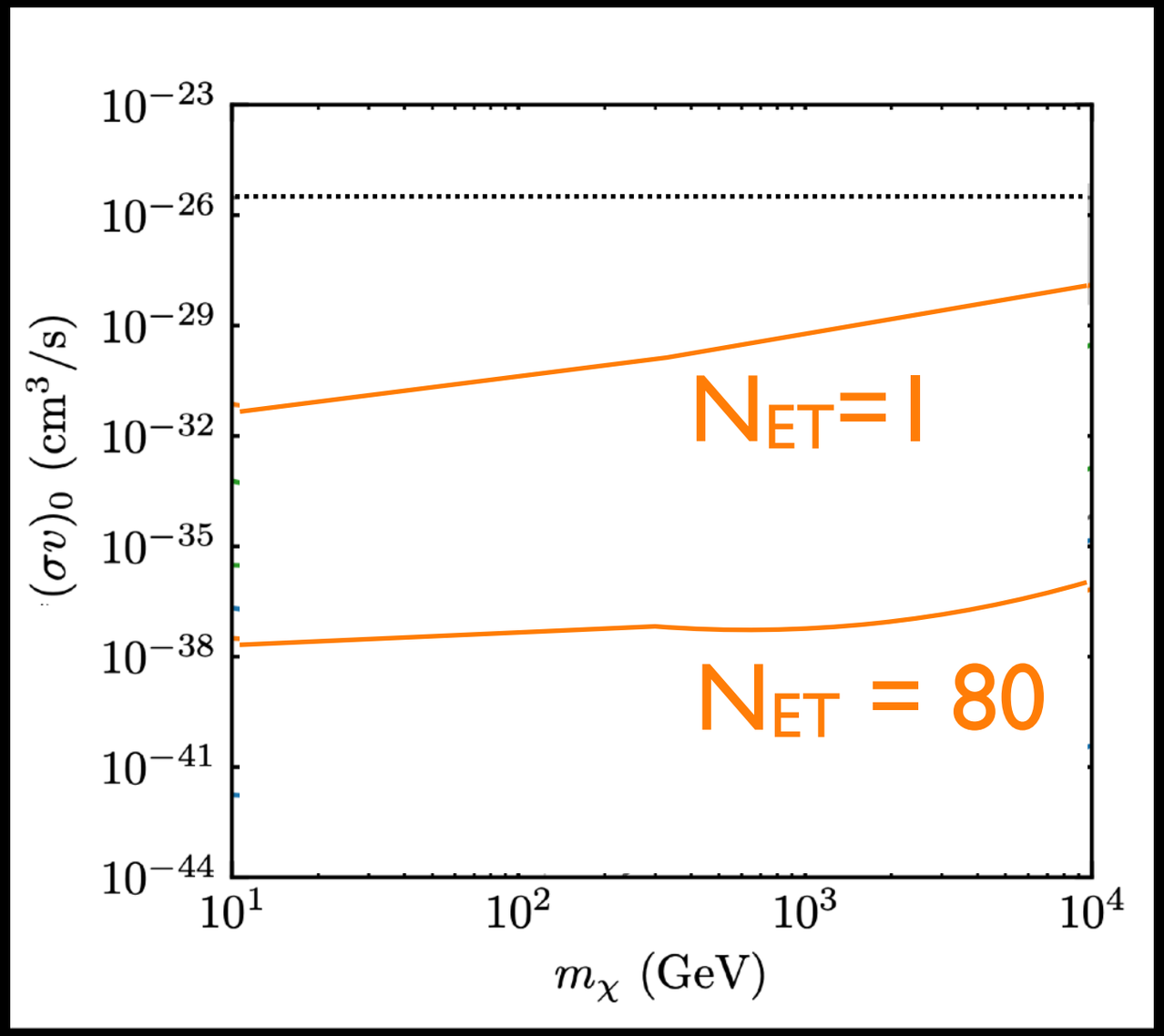

GB, Coogan, Gaggero, Kavanagh, Weniger 1905.01238

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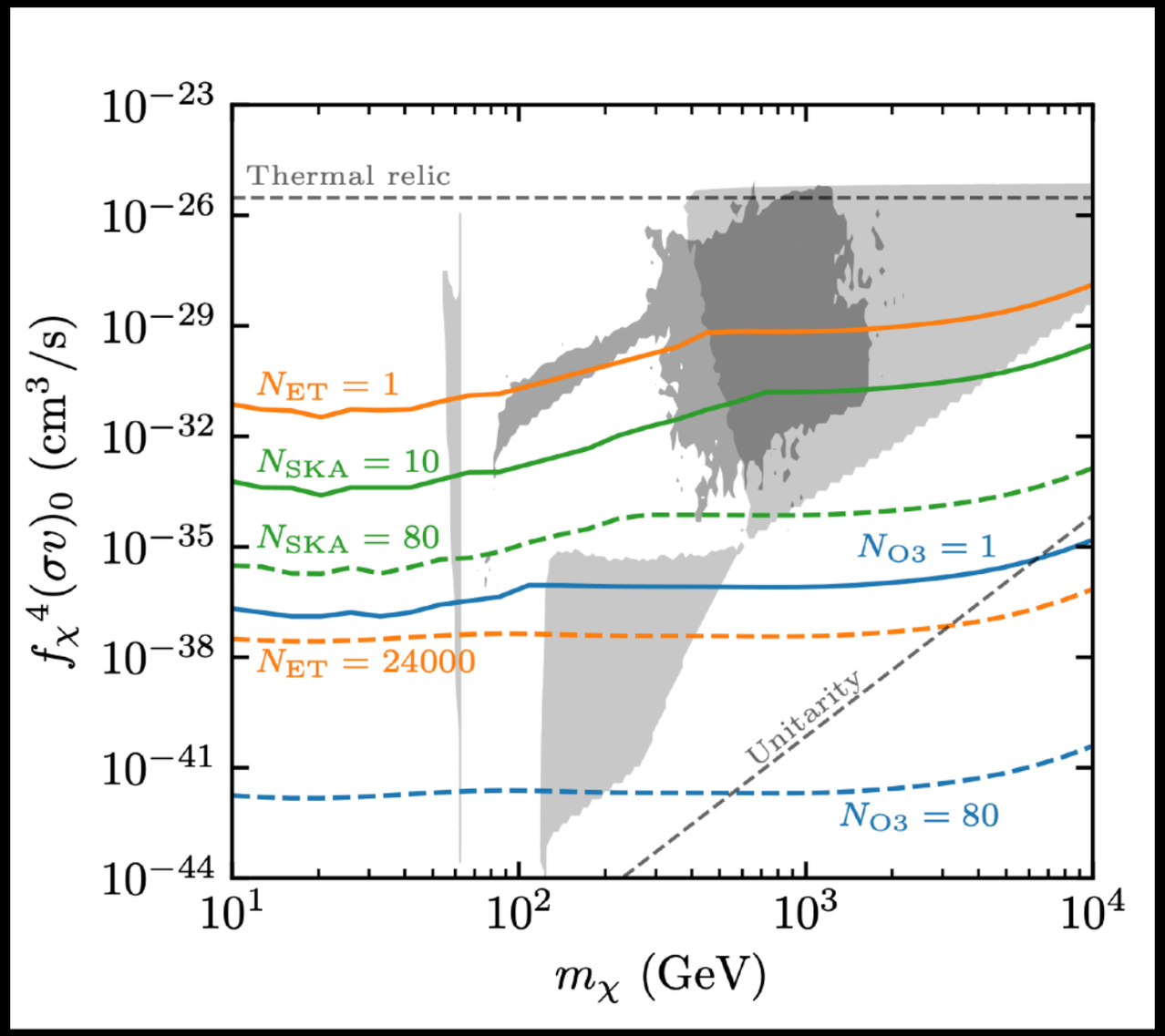

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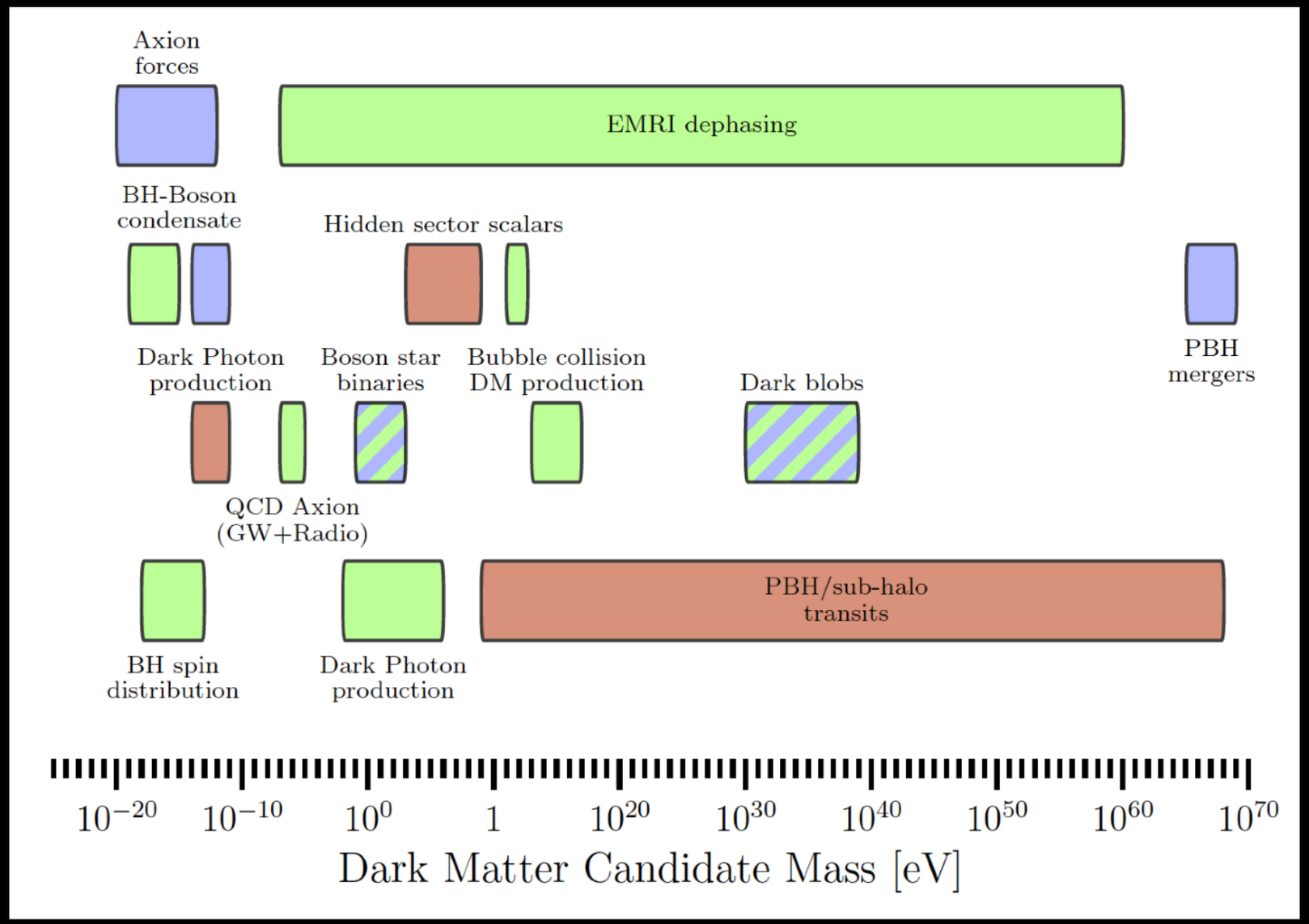
- Detecting a subdominant PBHs with the Einstein Telescope would essentially rule out not only WIMPs, but entire classes of BSM models (even those leading to subdominant DM!)

Further GW-DM connections:



"Gravitational wave probes of dark matter: challenges and opportunities"
GB, Croon, et al. 1907.10610

Conclusions

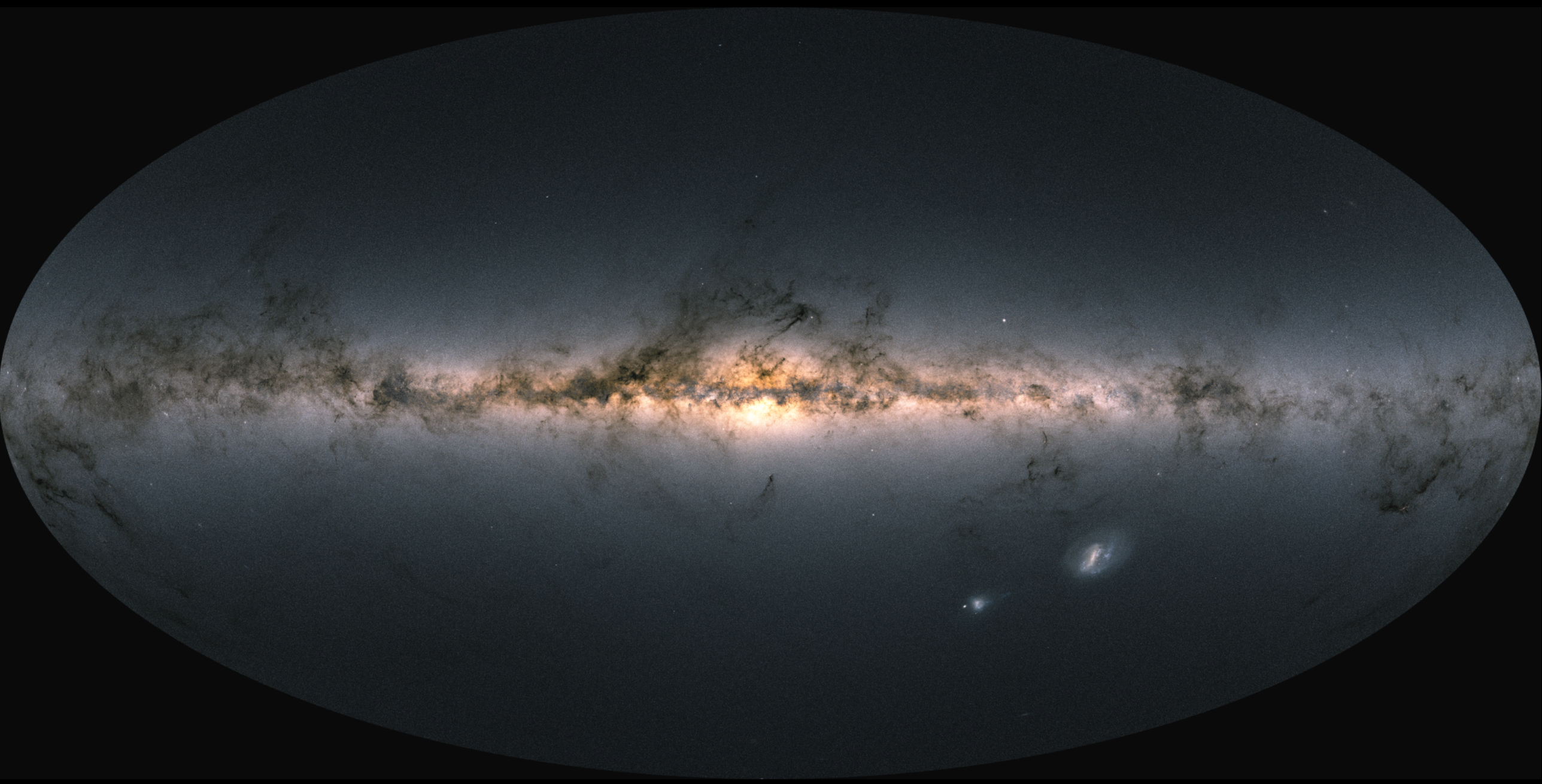
- This is a time of profound transformation for dark matter studies, in view of the absence of evidence (though NOT evidence of absence) of popular candidates

- LHC, ID and DD experiments may still reserve surprises!

- At the same time, it is urgent to:
    - Diversify dark matter searches
    - Exploit astronomical observations
    - Exploit gravitational waves

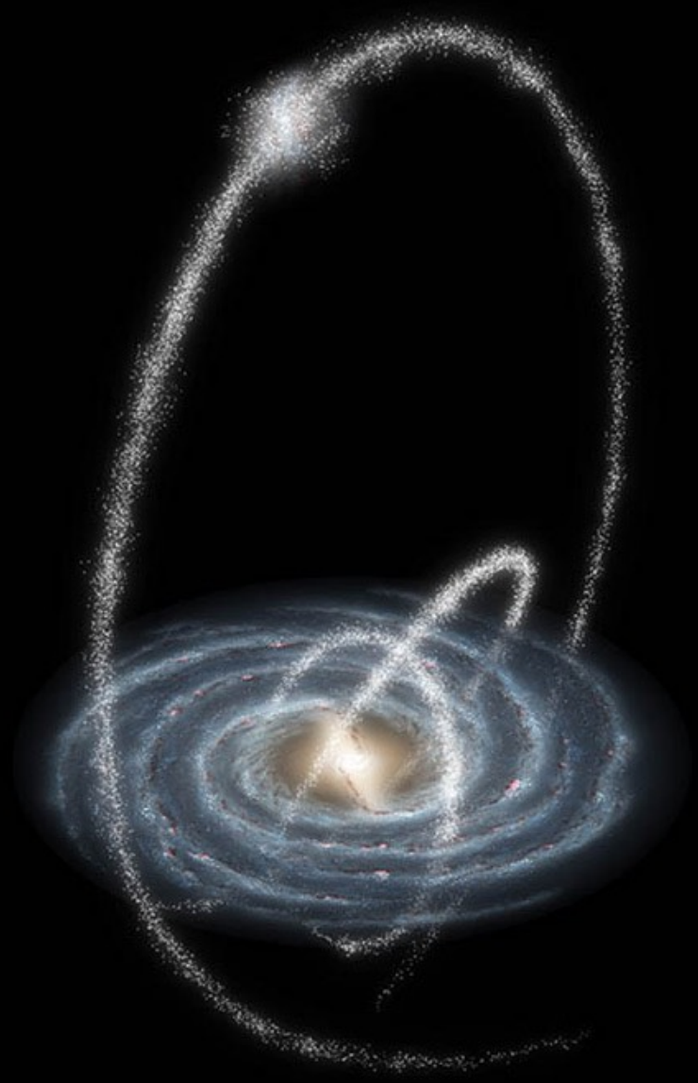
- The field is completely open: extraordinary opportunity for new generation to come up with new ideas and discoveries

GAIA'S SKY



Total brightness and colour of stars observed by ESA's Gaia satellite and released as part of Gaia's Early Data Release 3

Stellar streams

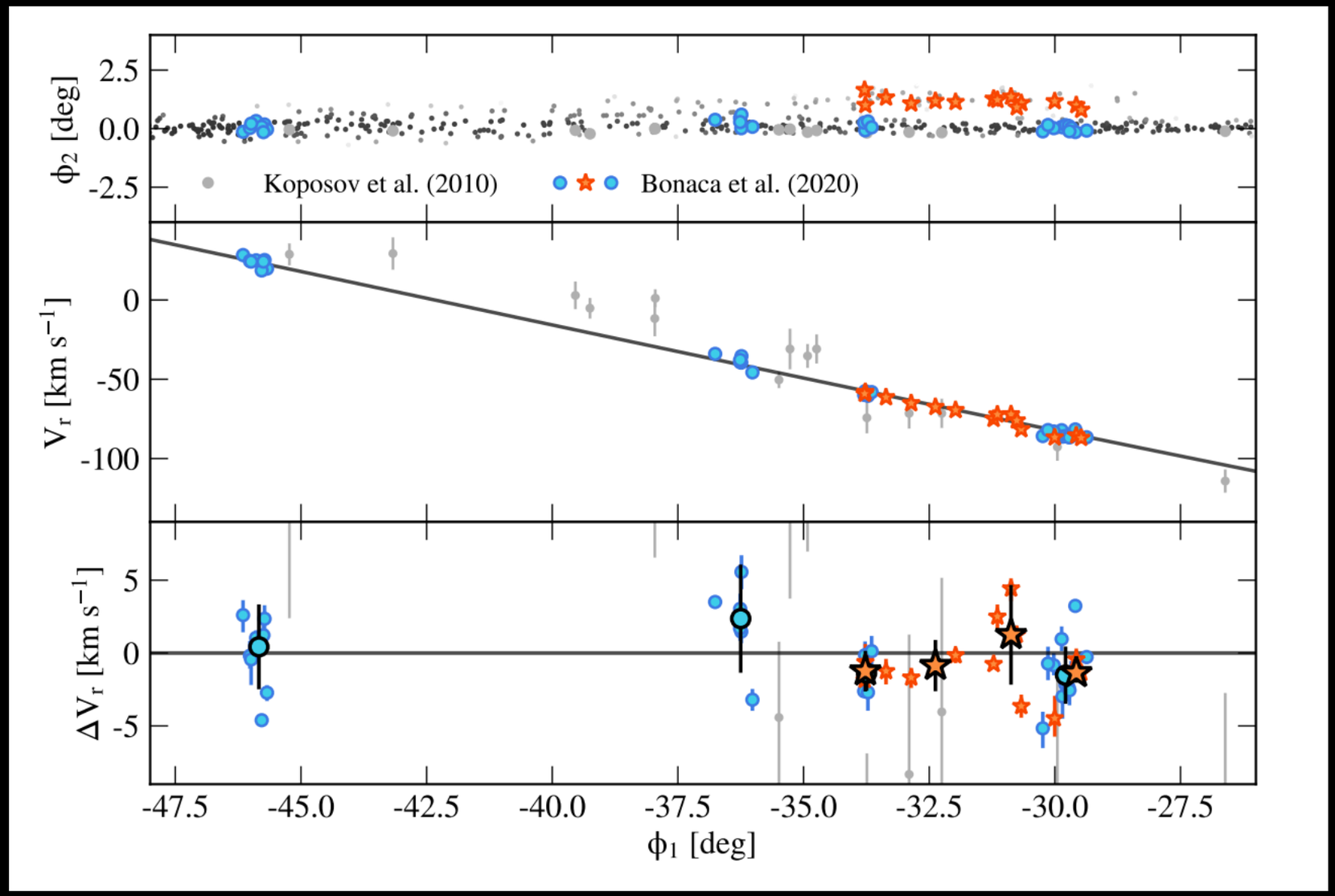


Searching for dark matter substructures in the MW

Gaia GD1 stream data!

New map of stars in GD1 stream (longest cold stream in the MW) with *Gaia* second data release combined with *Pan-STARRS*.

Stream appears to be perturbed, with several 'gaps' and a 'spur'



Bonaca et al. 2001.07215

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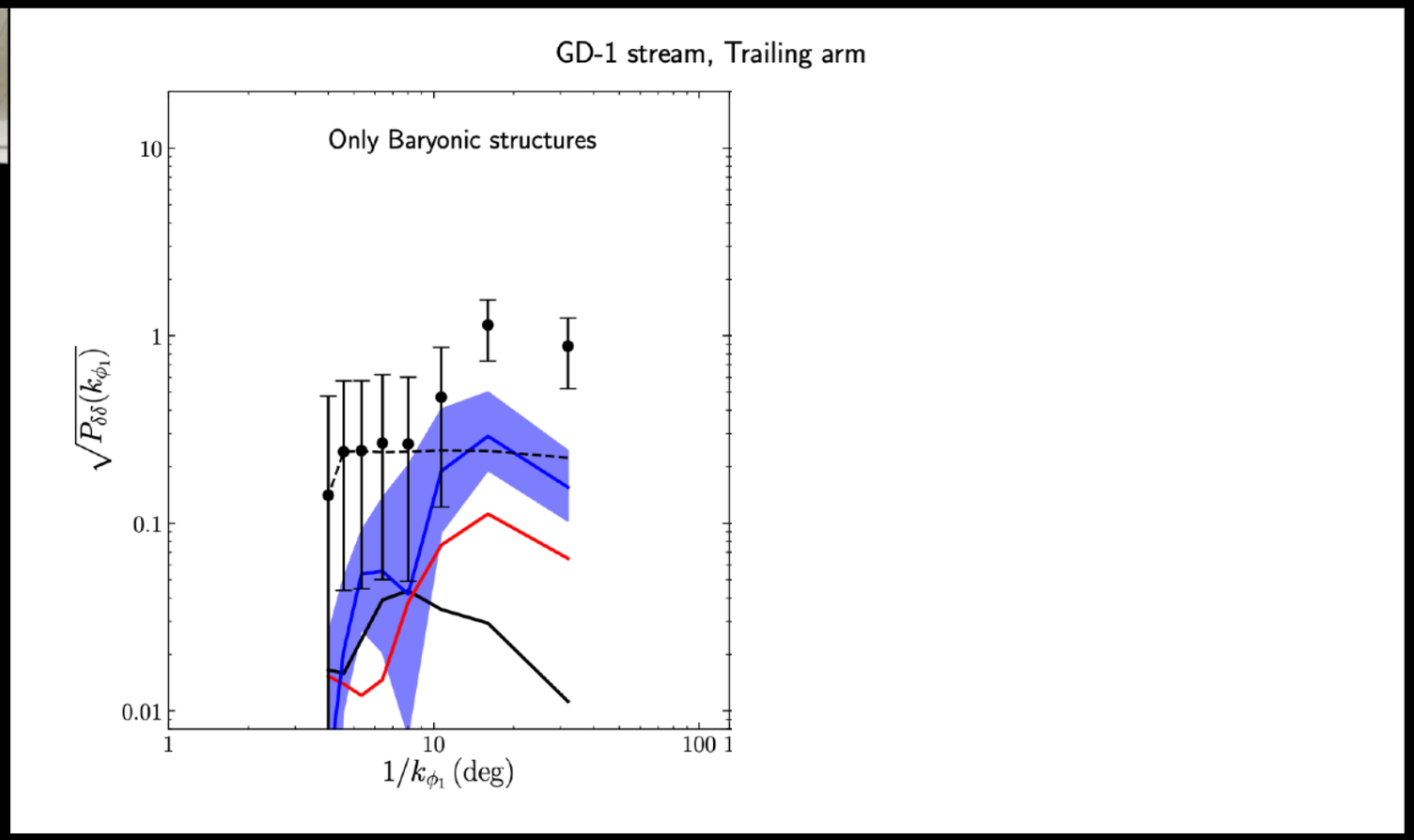

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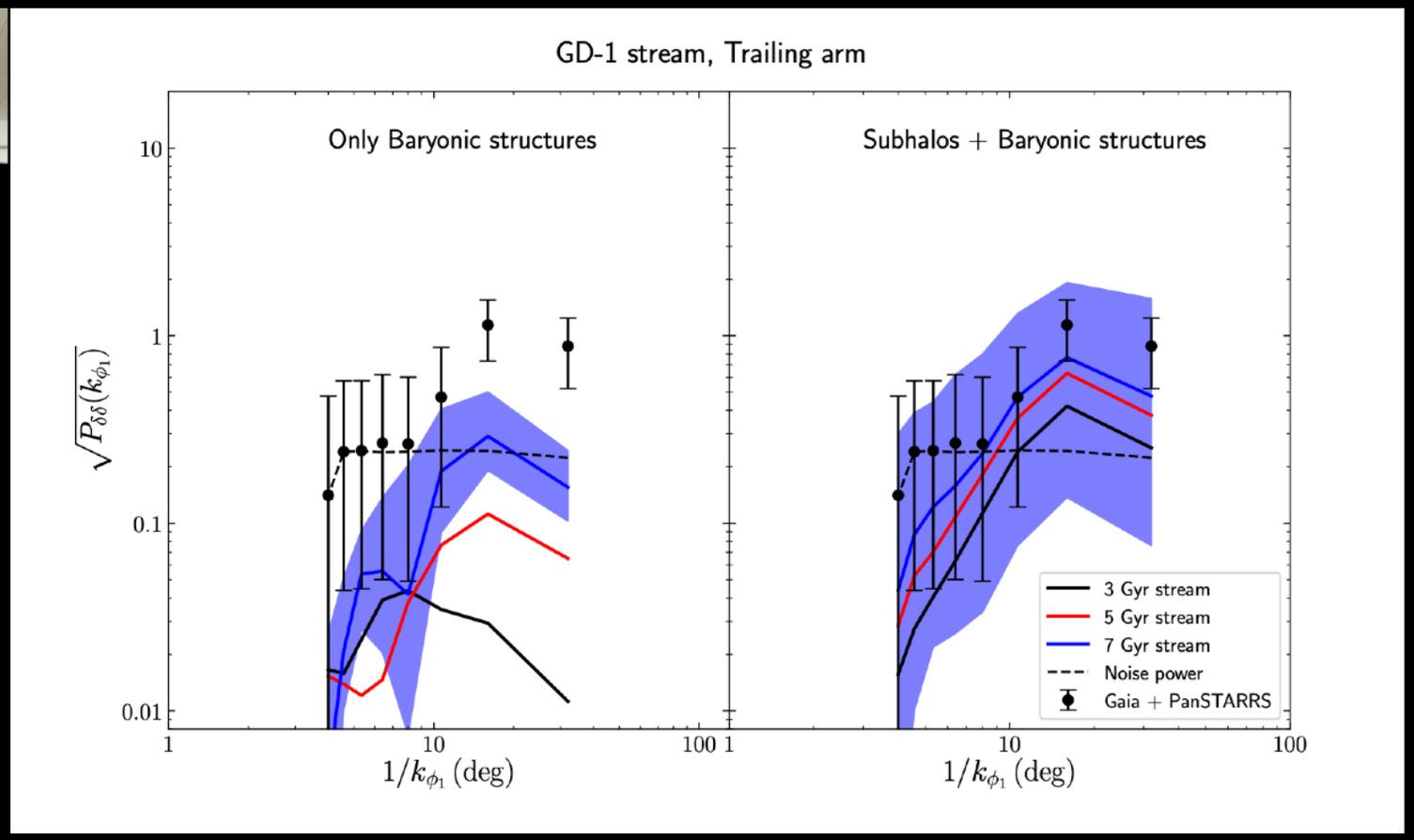

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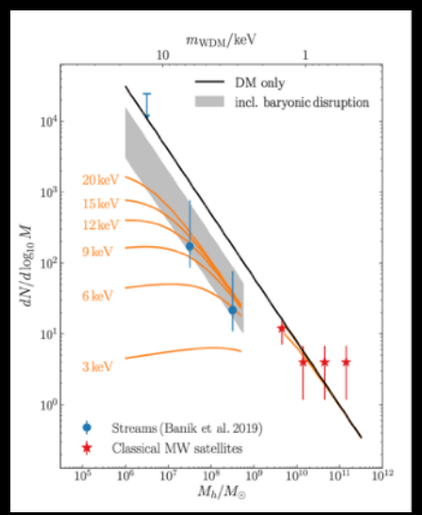
Statistical analysis of perturbations: Stringent constraints on the nature of DM



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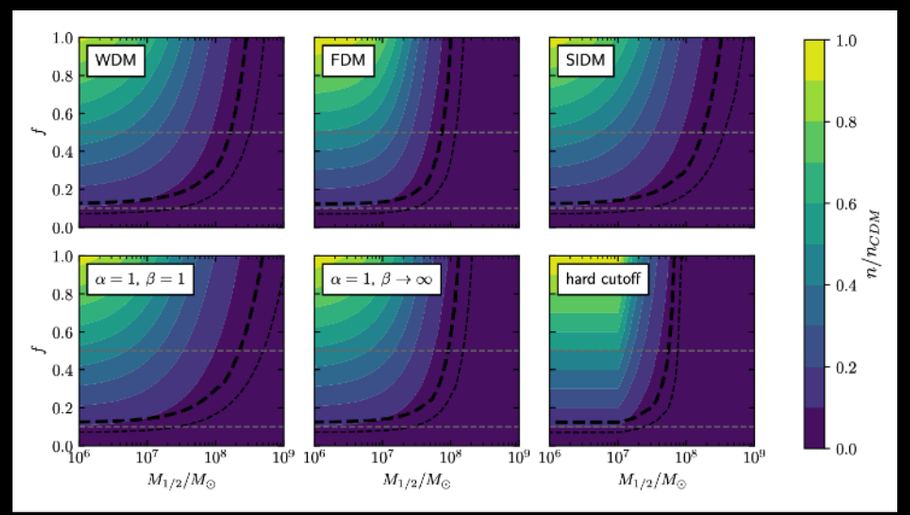

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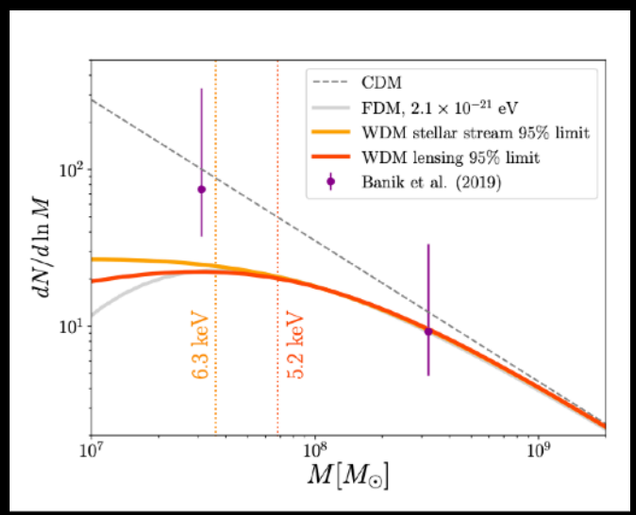

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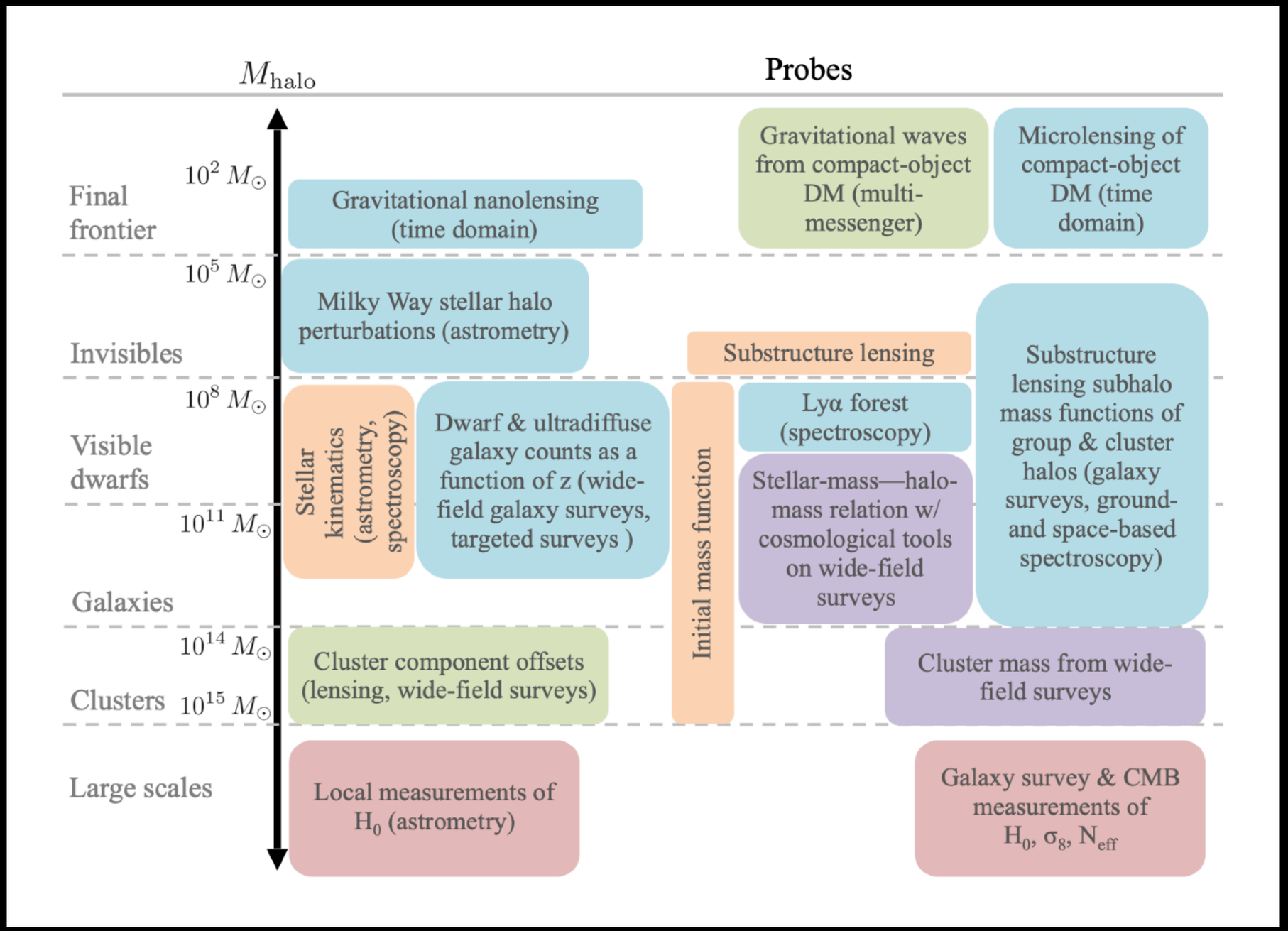
Constraints on the particle mass of dark matter candidates such as warm, fuzzy, and self-interacting dark matter.

Gravitational probes of dark matter physics



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