

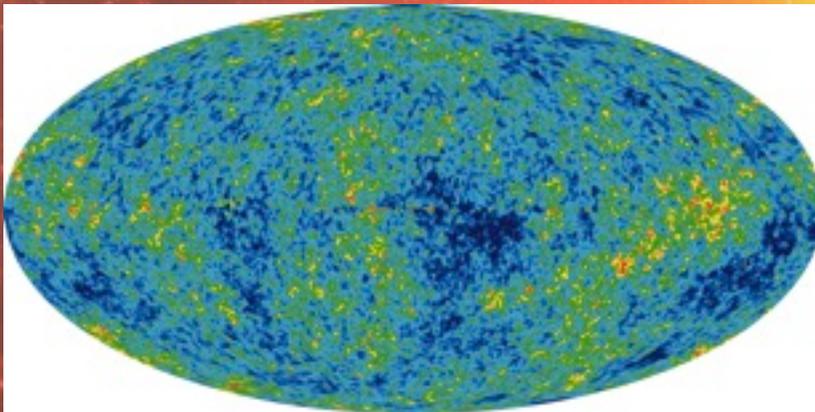
OBSERVATIONAL EVIDENCE FOR DARK MATTER

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OUTLINE

- Evidence for dark matter at very different scales
 - ▶ Galaxies
 - ▶ Clusters of galaxies
 - ▶ Universe



ZWICKY AND THE COMA CLUSTER

- The existence of dark matter was postulated by Zwicky in the 1930's to explain the dynamics of galaxies in the Coma galaxy cluster.
- (Clusters of galaxies are the largest gravitationally bound system known in the Universe. They contain ~10s to 1000s of galaxies.)
- Zwicky first inferred the total mass of the cluster by measuring the velocities of its galaxies



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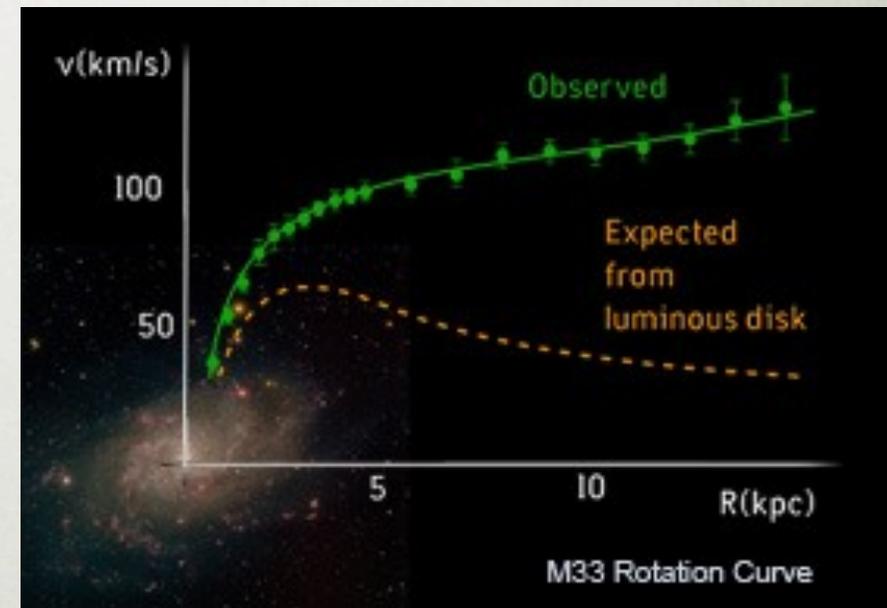
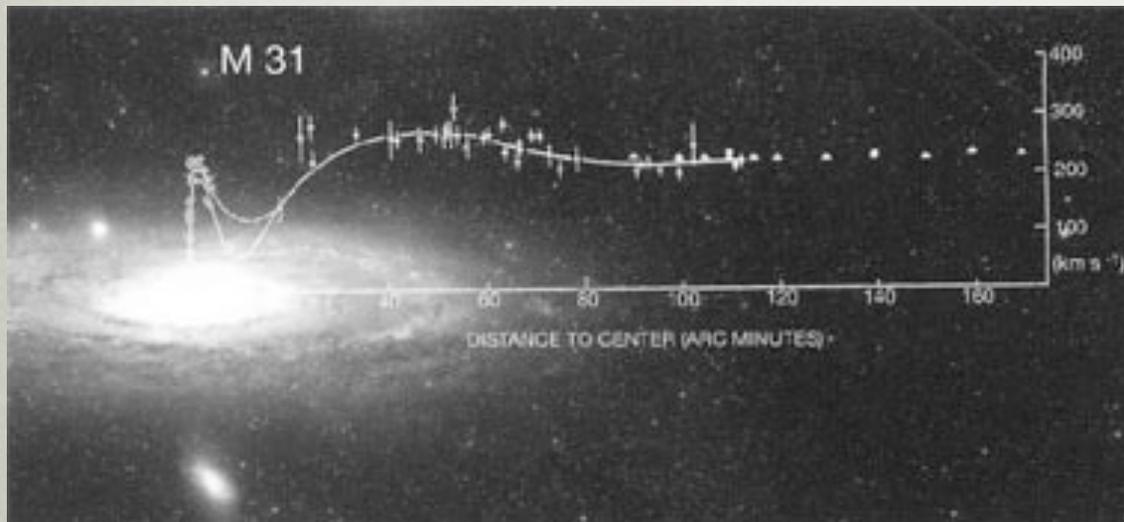
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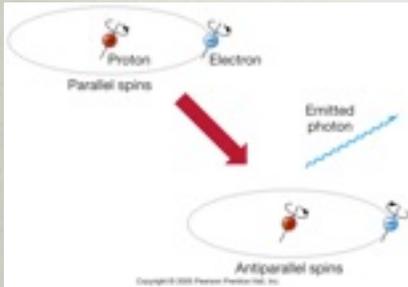
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- Departures from the predictions of newtonian gravity became apparent also at galactic scales with the measurement of rotation curves of galaxies (Rubin et al, 1970)

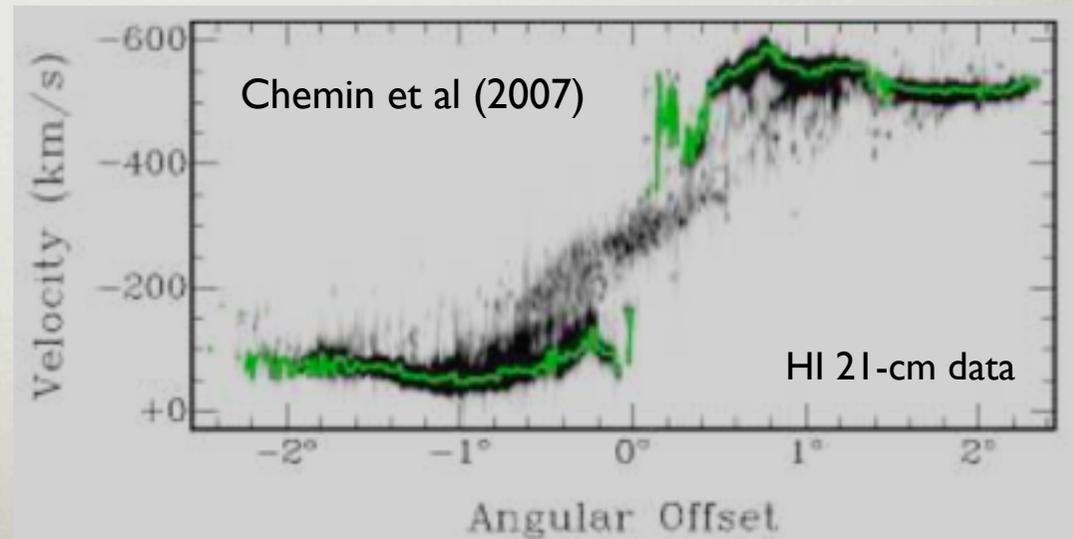
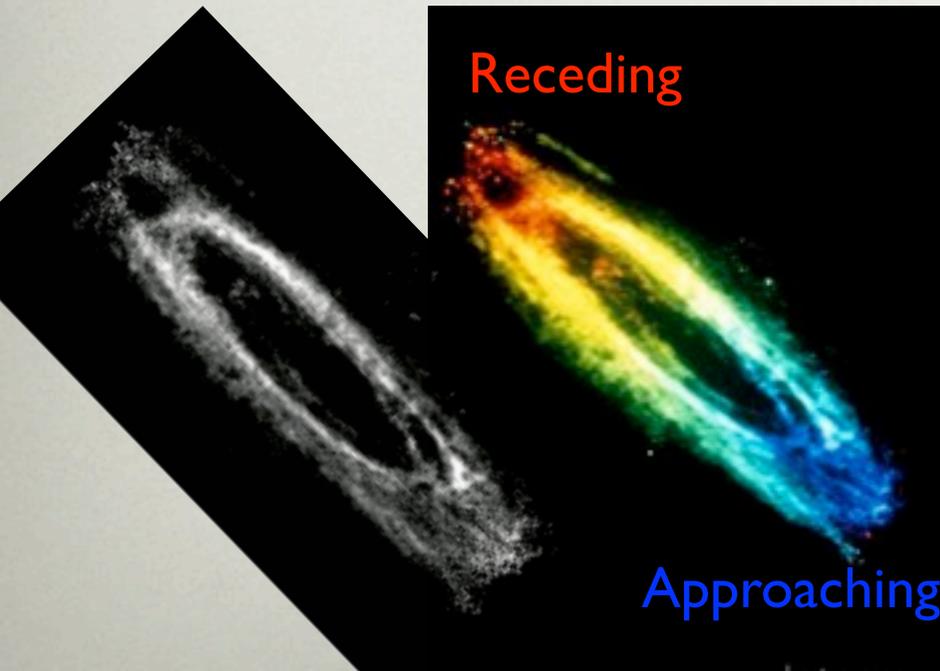


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Measure line of sight velocity of stars and gas via doppler shift (H α in optical and HI 21 cm line in radio)



M31 (Andromeda)

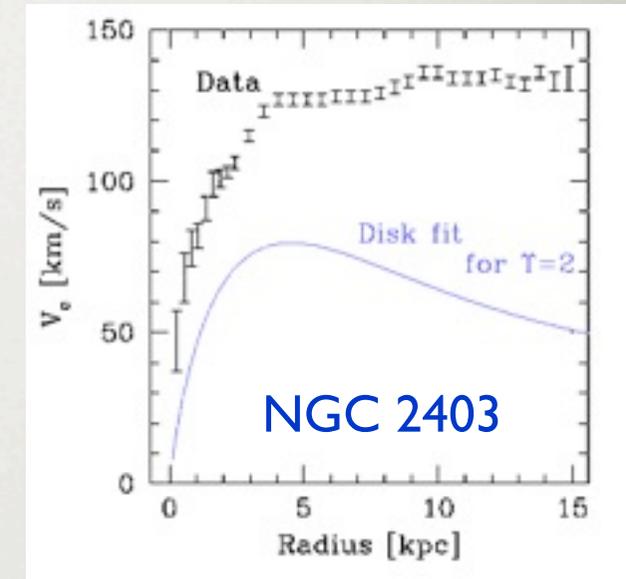


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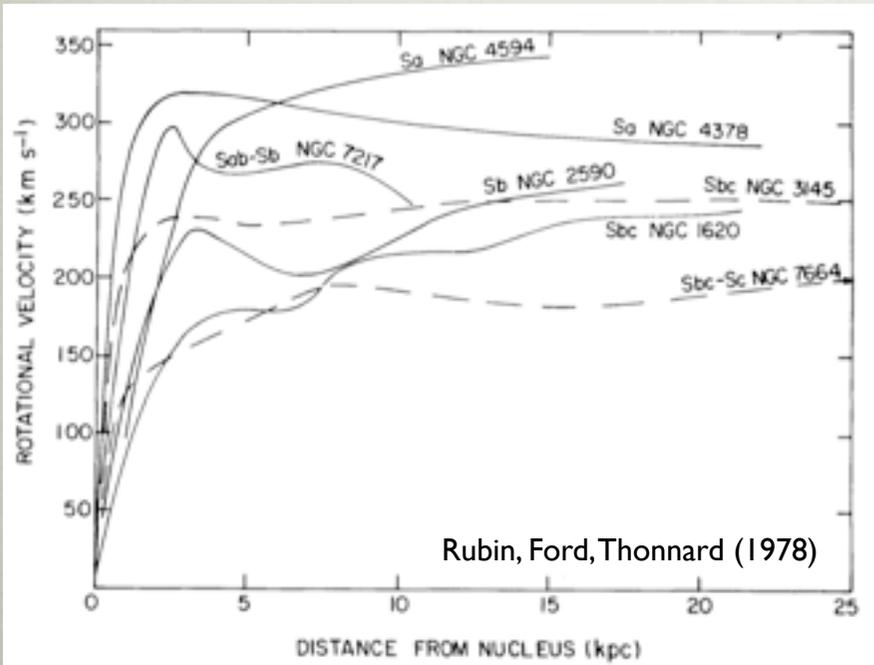
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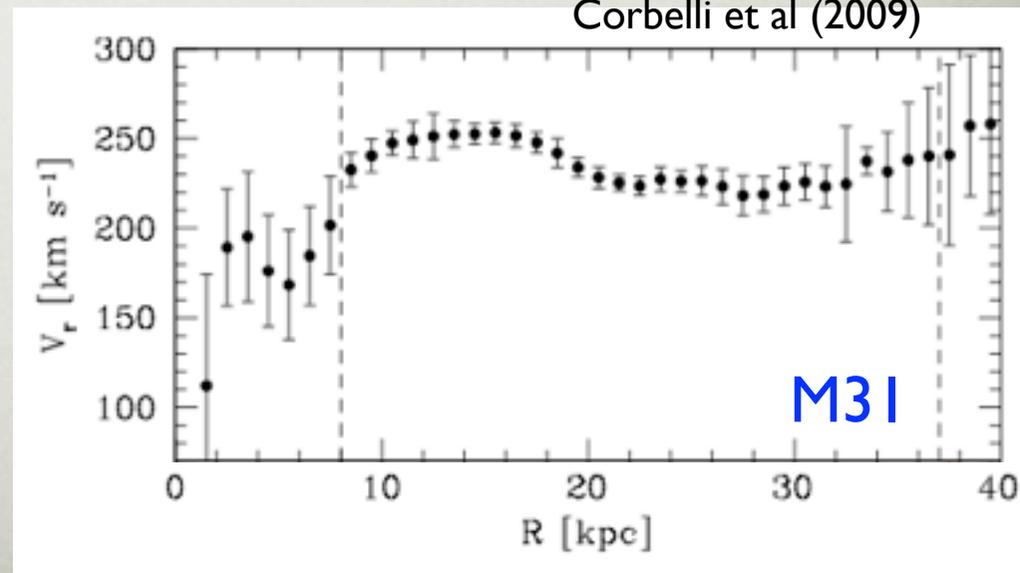
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Corbelli et al (2009)



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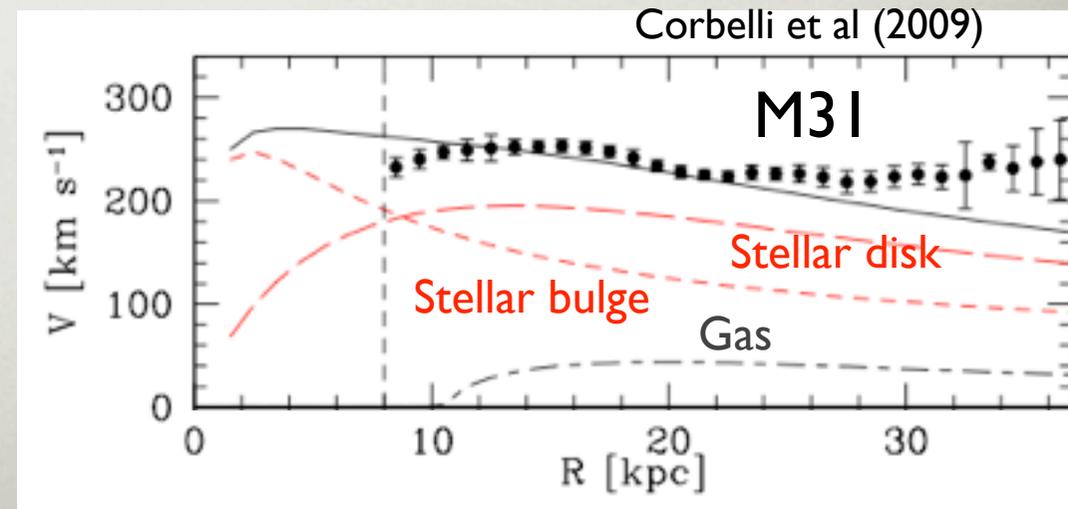
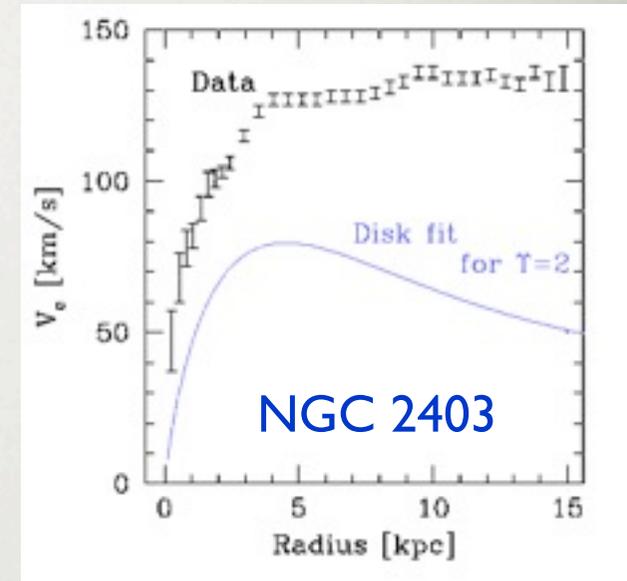
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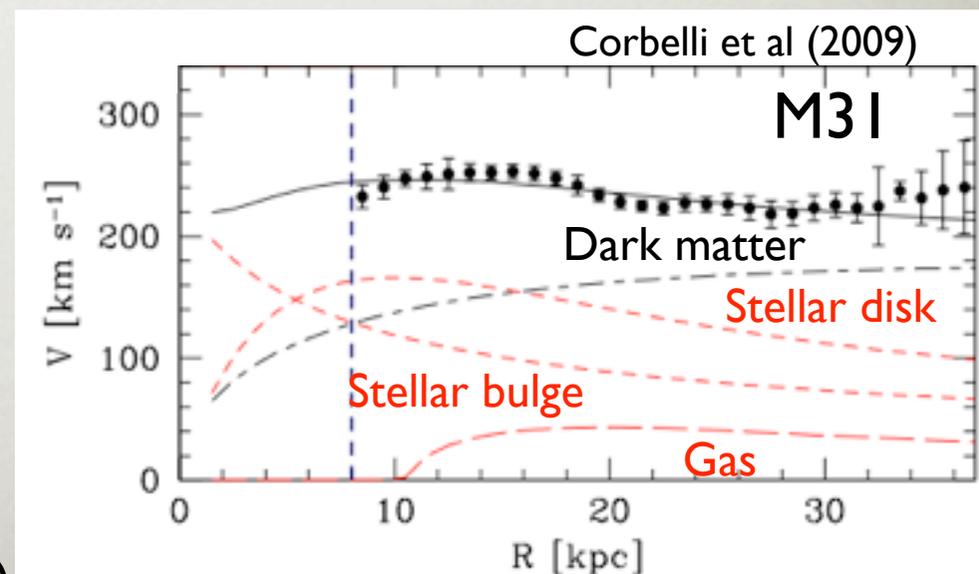
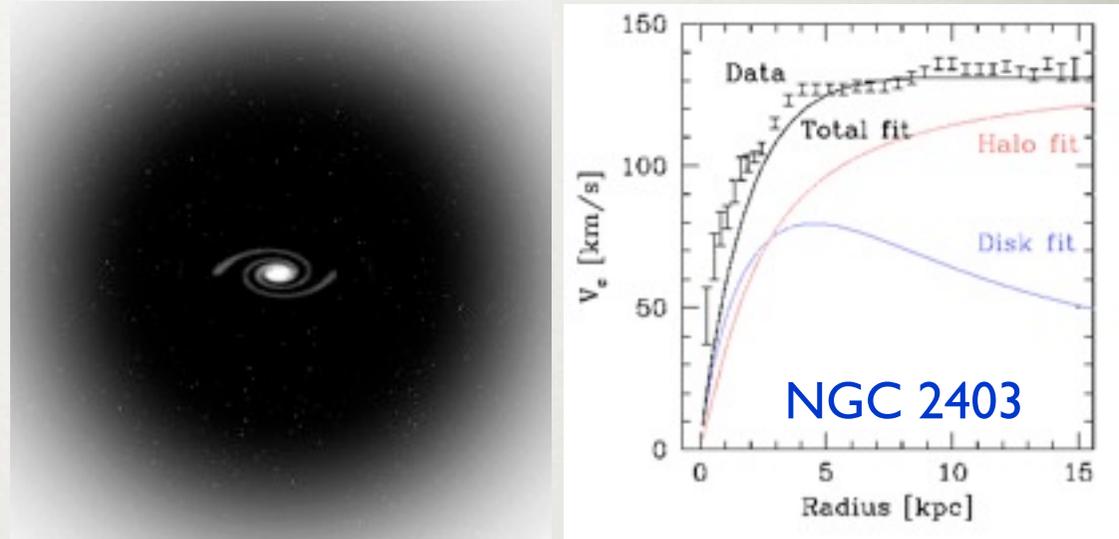
$$M(r) \propto r \quad \rho(r) \propto r^{-2}$$

Mass density not as steeply falling as star density (exponential)!

➔ By adding extended dark matter halo get good fit to the data.

Similar exercise for the Milky Way yields local DM density:

$\rho(8.5 \text{ kpc}) \sim 0.2\text{-}0.5 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$ (direct detection)



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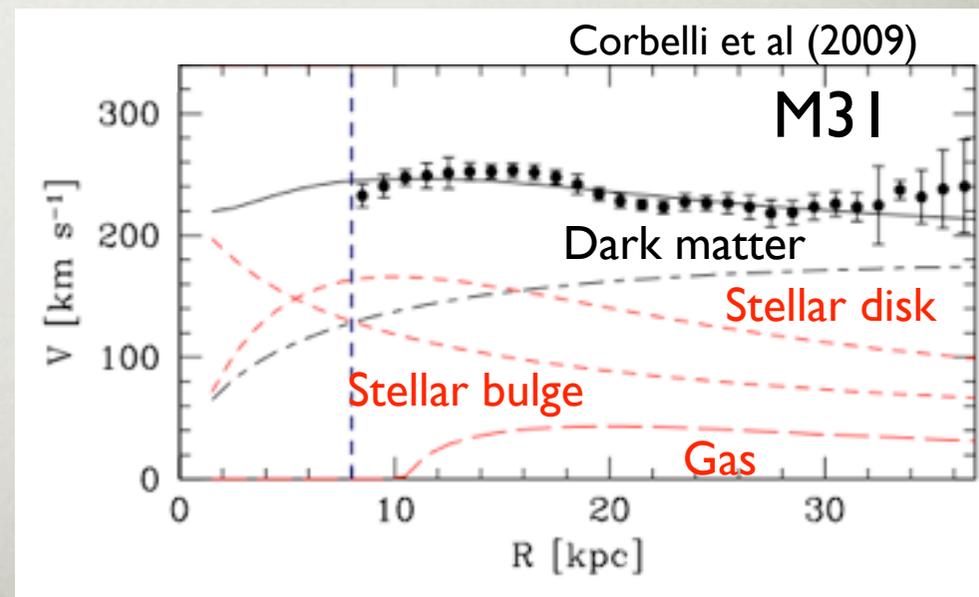
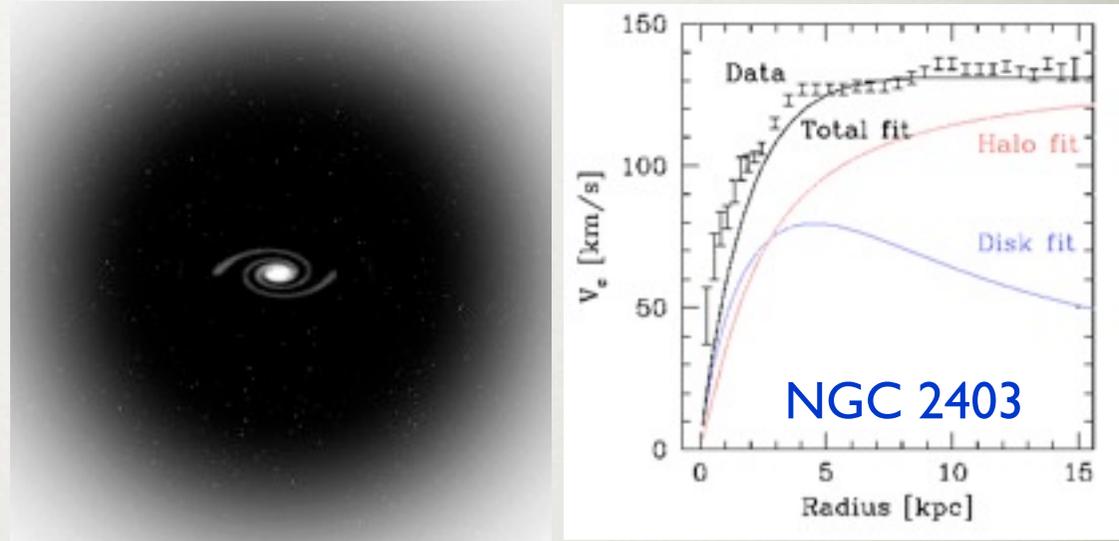
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Total mass: $1.3 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$

➔ $M_{\odot}/L_{\odot} \sim 10$



MASSES OF M31 AND MW

- By exploiting line of sight velocities and proper motion of satellite galaxies can determine the galactic halo mass out to large radii
- Halo mass within 300 kpc (stat error only):
 - Andromeda: $1.5 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$
 - Milky Way: $2.7 \pm 0.5 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$

Watkins et al, 2011

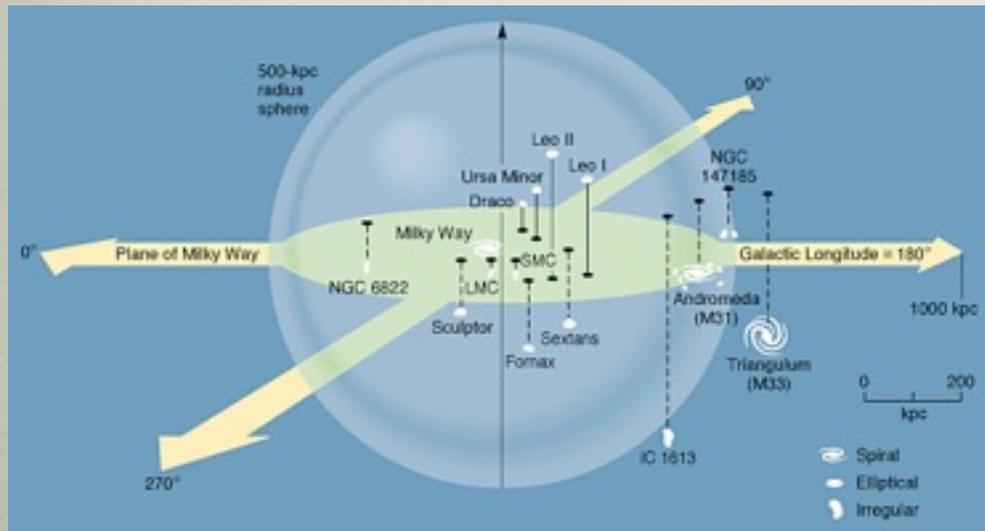


Table 1. Data table for the satellites of the Milky Way. Listed are Galactic coordinates (l, b) in degrees, Galactocentric distance r in kpc and corrected line-of-sight velocity in km s^{-1} .

Name	l (deg)	b (deg)	r (kpc)	v_{los} (km s^{-1})	Source
Bootes I	358.1	69.6	57	106.6	1,2
Bootes II	353.8	68.8	43	-115.6	3,4
Canes Venatici I	74.3	79.8	219	76.8	5,6
Canes Venatici II	113.6	82.7	150	-96.1	6,7
Carina	260.1	-22.2	102	14.3	8,9
Coma Berenices	241.9	83.6	45	82.6	6,7
Draco	86.4	34.7	92	-104.0	8,10,11
Fornax	237.3	-65.6	140	-33.6	8,12,13
Hercules	28.7	36.9	141	142.9	6,7
LMC	280.5	-32.9	49	73.8	8,14,15
Leo I	226.0	49.1	257	179.0	8,16,17
Leo II	220.2	67.2	235	26.5	8,18,19
Leo IV	265.4	56.5	154	13.9	6,7
Leo T	214.9	43.7	422	-56.0	6,20
Leo V	261.9	58.5	175	62.3	21
SMC	302.8	-44.3	60	9.0	8,22,23
Sagittarius	5.6	-14.1	16	166.3	8,24
Sculptor	287.5	-83.2	87	77.6	8,25,26
Segue 1	220.5	50.4	28	113.5	3,27
Segue 2	149.4	-38.1	41	39.7	28
Sextans	243.5	42.3	89	78.2	8,9,29
Ursa Major I	159.4	54.4	101	-8.8	3,6
Ursa Major II	152.5	37.4	36	-36.5	6,30
Ursa Minor	104.9	44.8	77	-89.8	8,10,11
Willman 1	158.6	56.8	42	33.7	2,3

Table 2. Data table for the satellites of M31. Listed are Galactic coordinates (l, b) in degrees, actual distance r from the centre of M31 in kpc, projected distance R from the centre of M31 in kpc and corrected line-of-sight velocity in km s^{-1} .

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M33	133.6	-31.3	809	206	74	1,2
M32	121.1	-22.0	785	5	95	2,3
IC 10	119.0	-3.3	660	261	-29	2,3,4
NGC 205	120.7	-21.1	824	39	58	1,2
NGC 185	120.8	-14.5	616	189	106	1,2
IC 1613	129.8	-60.6	715	510	-56	2,3,5
NGC 147	119.8	-14.2	675	144	117	1,2
Pegasus	94.8	-43.6	919	473	85	1,2
Pisces	126.7	-40.9	769	268	-37	1,2
And I	121.7	-24.8	745	59	-84	1,2
And II	128.9	-29.2	652	185	83	1,2
And III	119.4	-26.3	749	75	-57	1,2
And V	126.2	-15.1	774	109	-107	1,2
And VI	106.0	-36.3	775	267	-64	1,2
And VII	109.5	-9.9	763	218	21	1,2
And IX	123.2	-19.7	765	41	94	1,6,7
And X	125.8	-18.0	702	110	130	8,9
And XI	121.7	-29.1	785	102	-140	7,10
And XII	122.0	-28.5	830	107	-268	7,10,11
And XIII	123.0	-29.9	785	115	64	7,10
And XIV	123.0	-33.2	740	161	-204	12
And XV	127.9	-24.5	770	94	-57	13,14
And XVI	124.9	-30.5	525	280	-106	13,14
And XVII	120.2	-18.5	794	45	15	
And XVIII	113.9	-16.9	1355	589	16	
And XIX	115.6	-27.4	933	187	16	
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GALAXY CLUSTERS

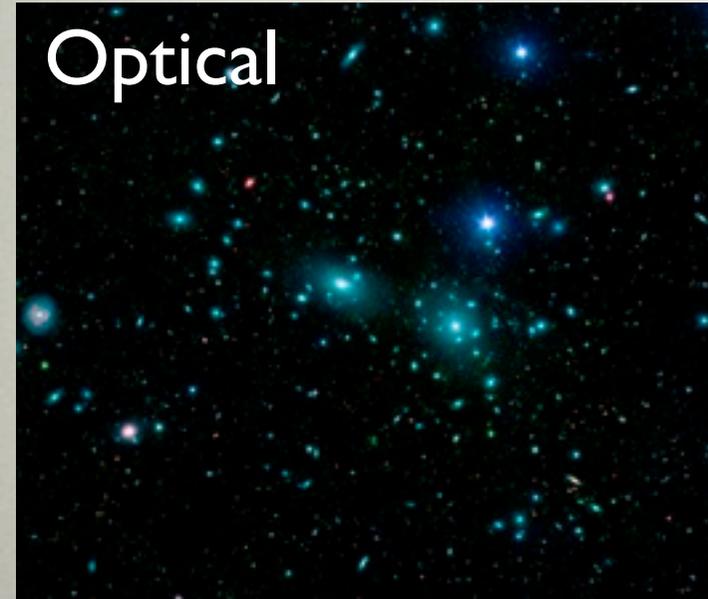
- X-ray emitted by very hot intracluster gas (10^7 - 10^8 K) through bremsstrahlung.
- Gas mass and total mass in galaxy clusters measured by X-ray (assuming thermal equilibrium), lensing
- Mass determination consistent with clusters being dark matter dominated

Galaxy cluster:

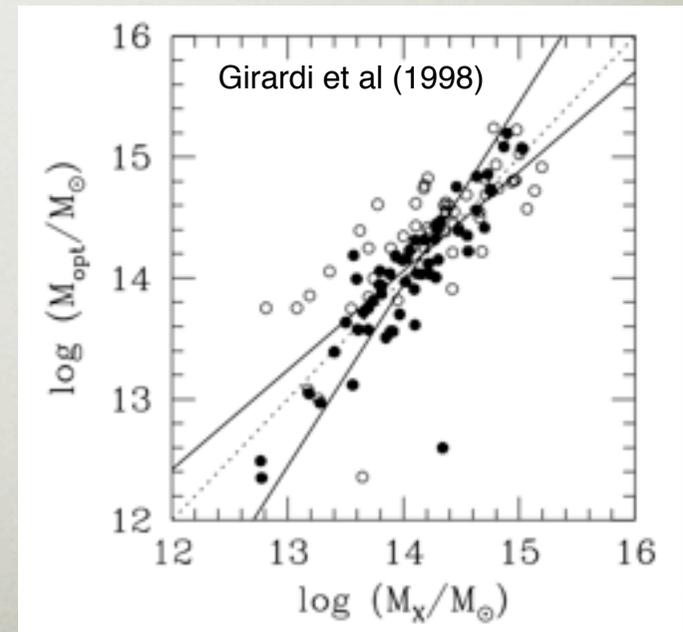
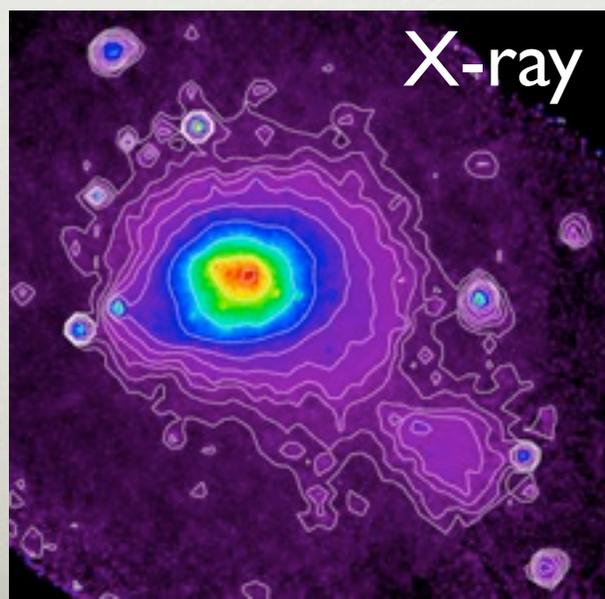
~1-2% stars, ~5-15% gas, remaining is dark matter

Coma galaxy cluster

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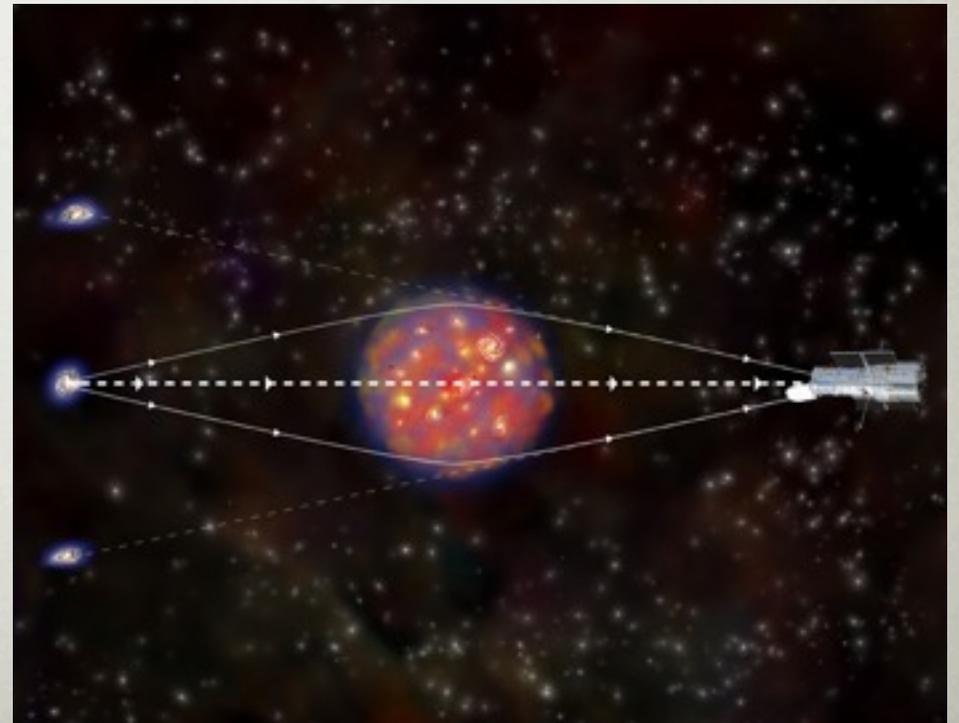
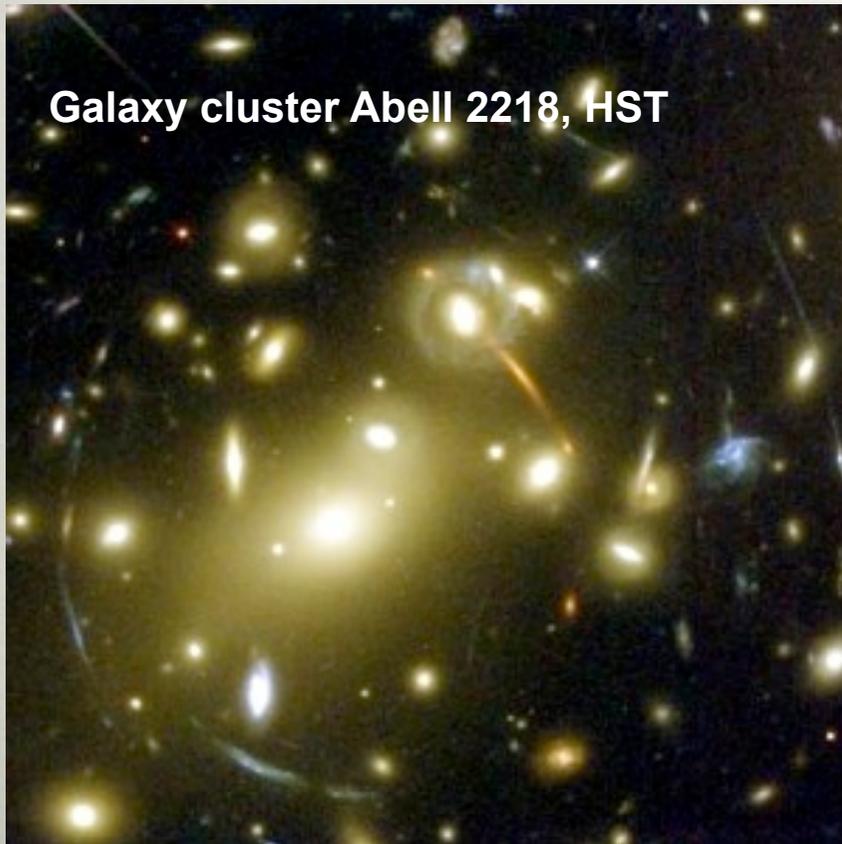


X-ray



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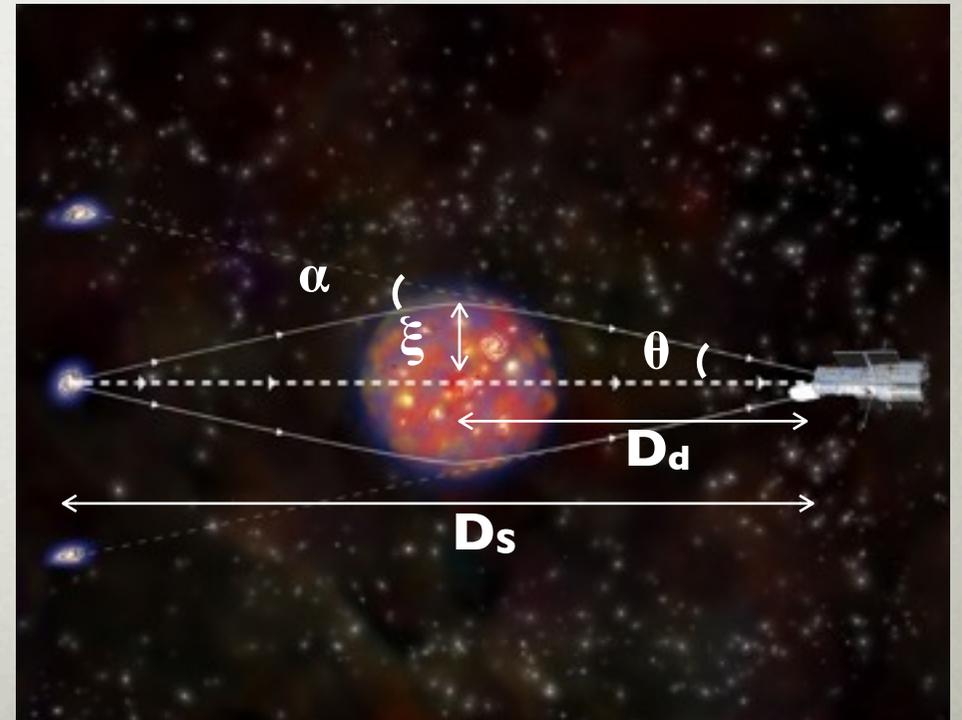
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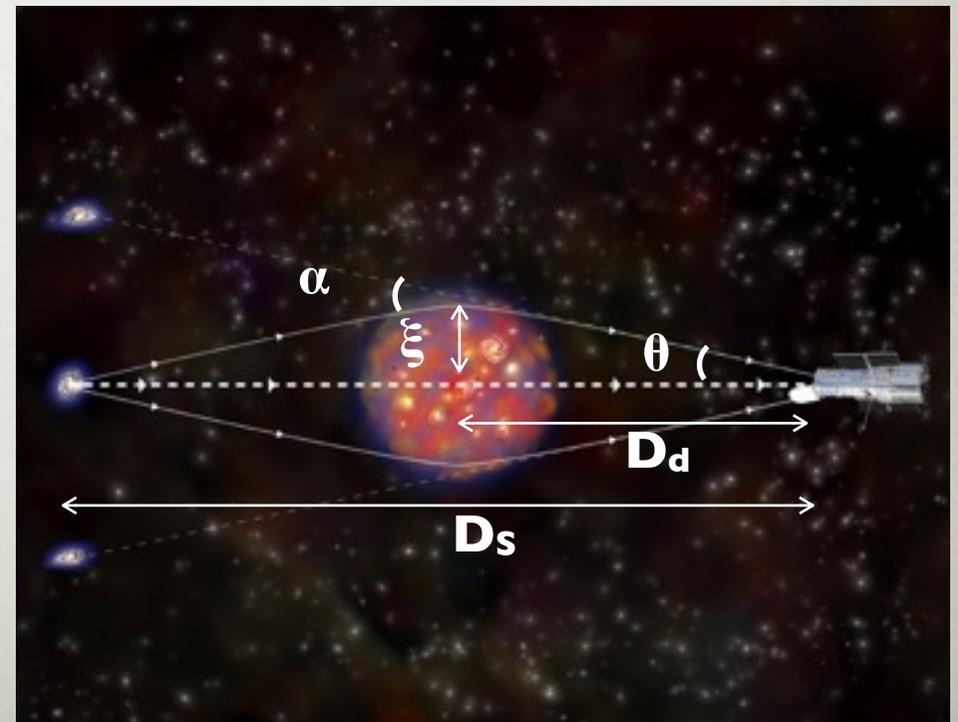


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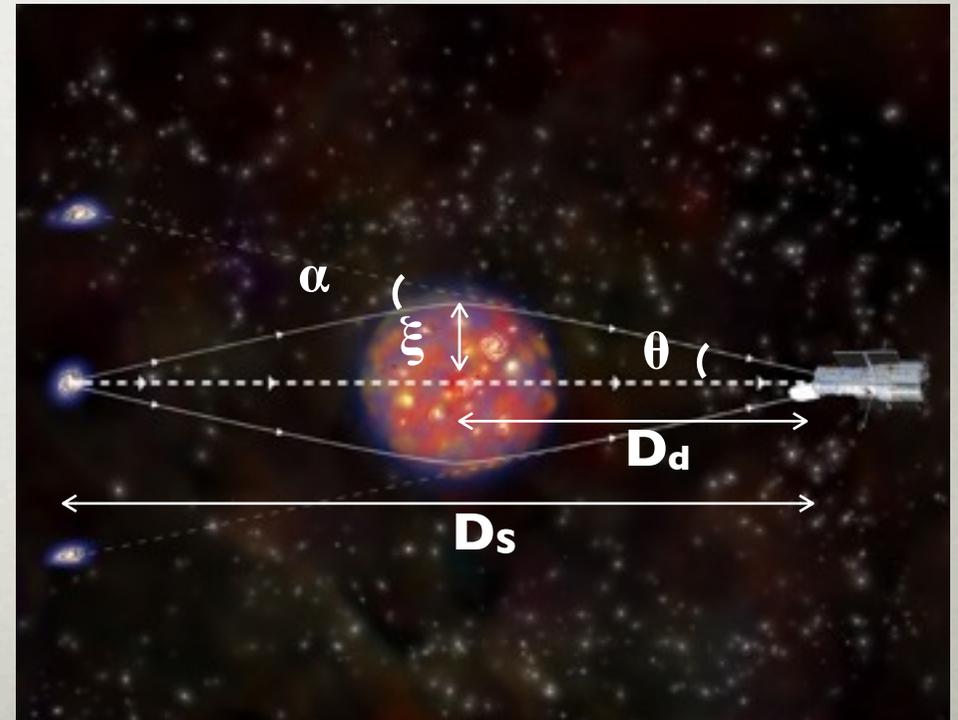


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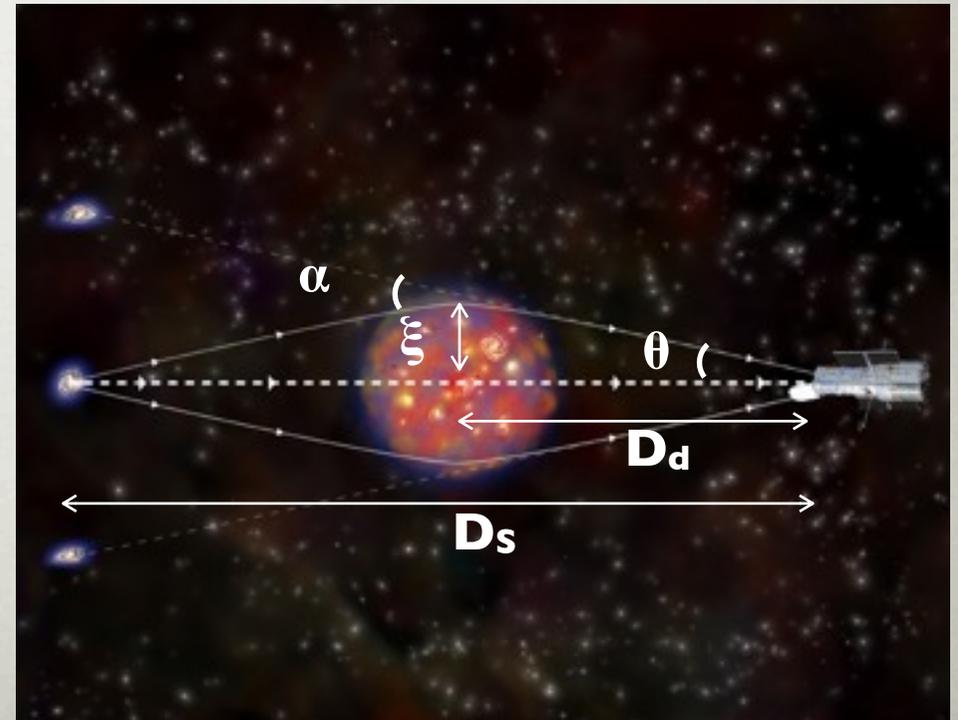
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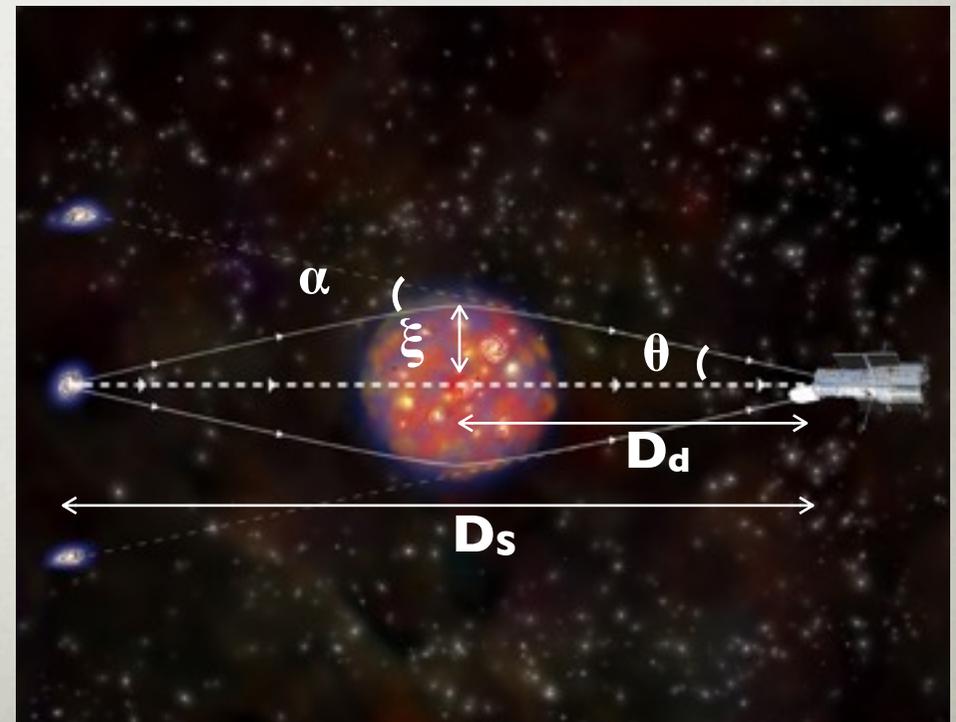
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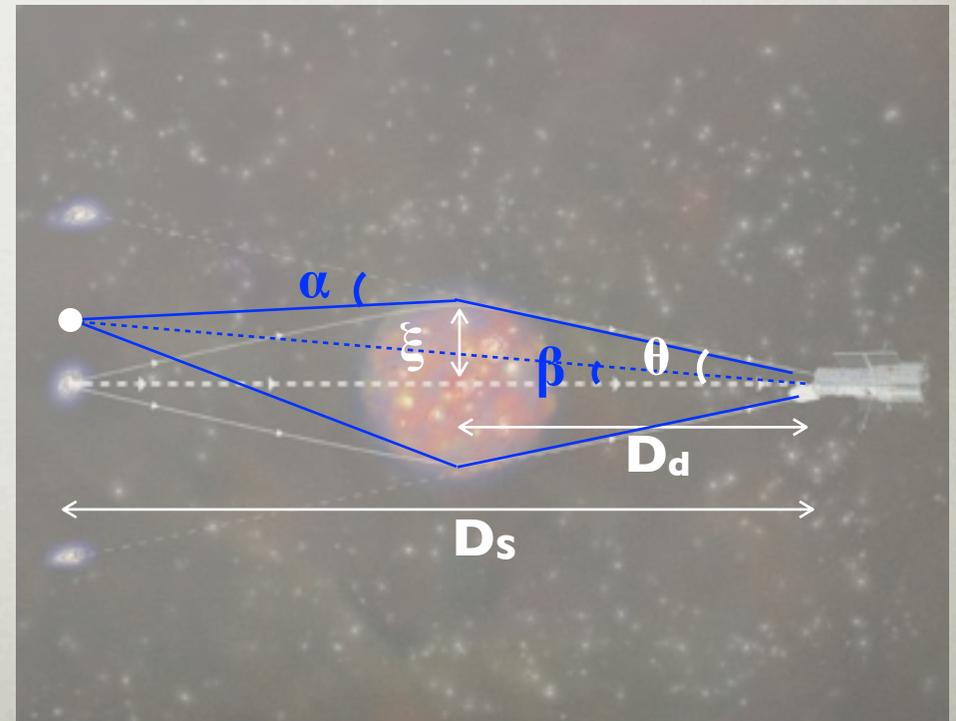
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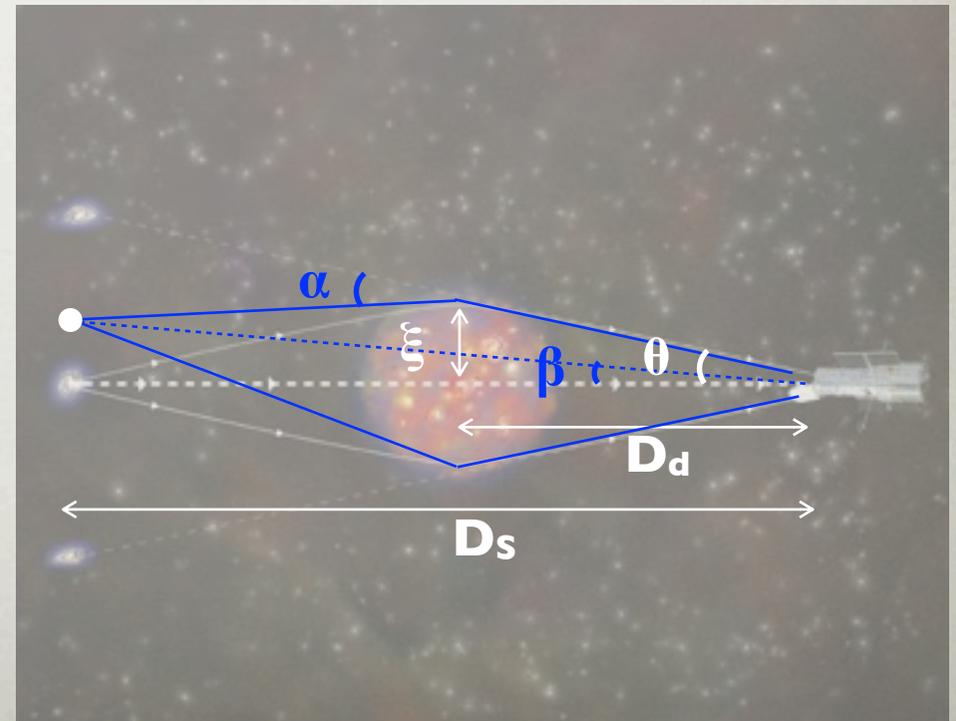
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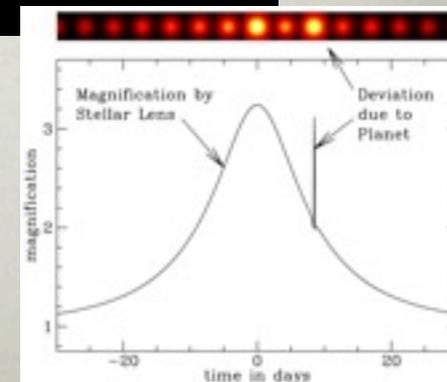
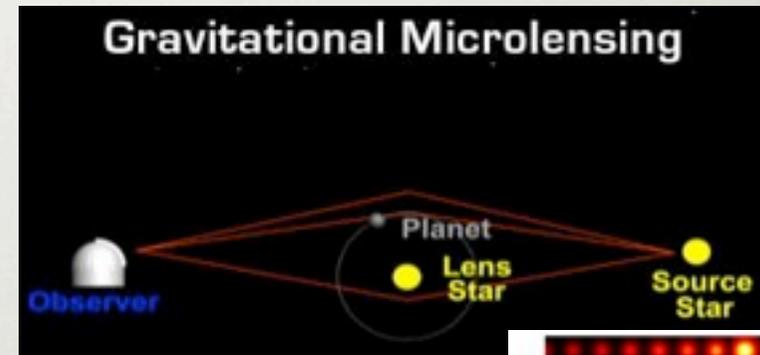
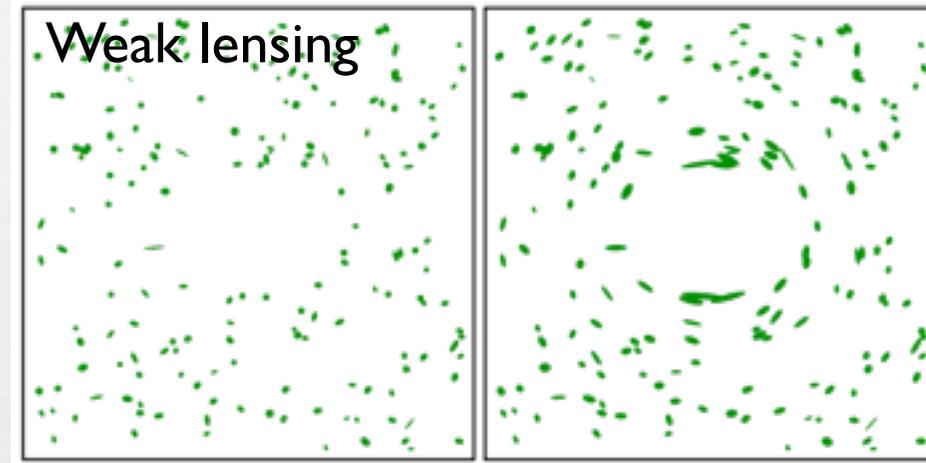
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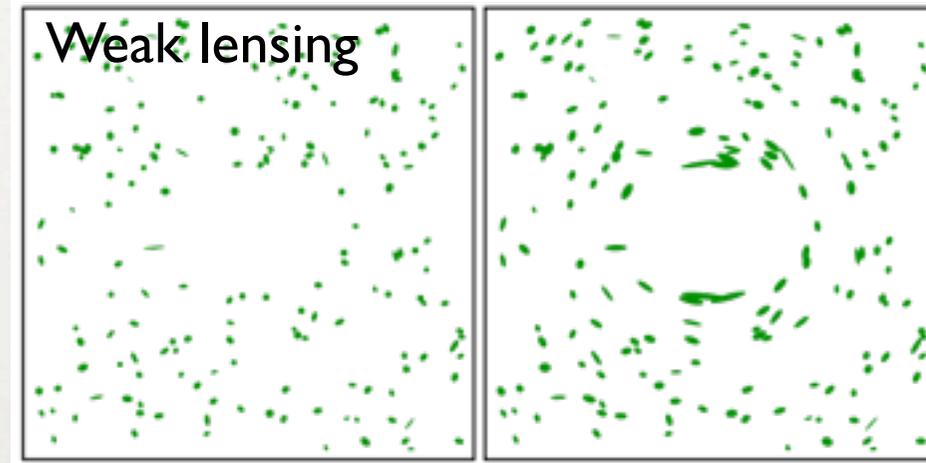
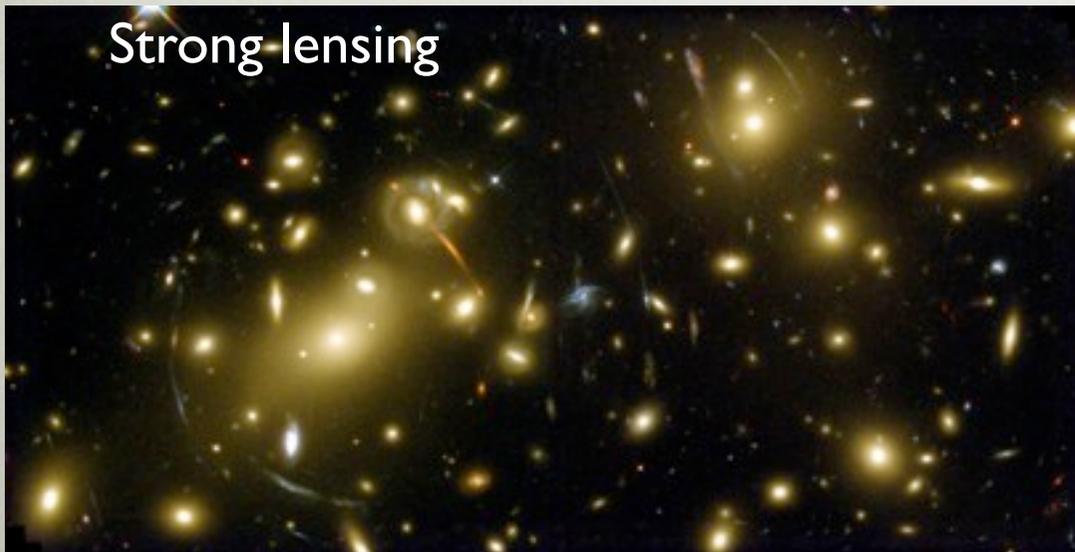
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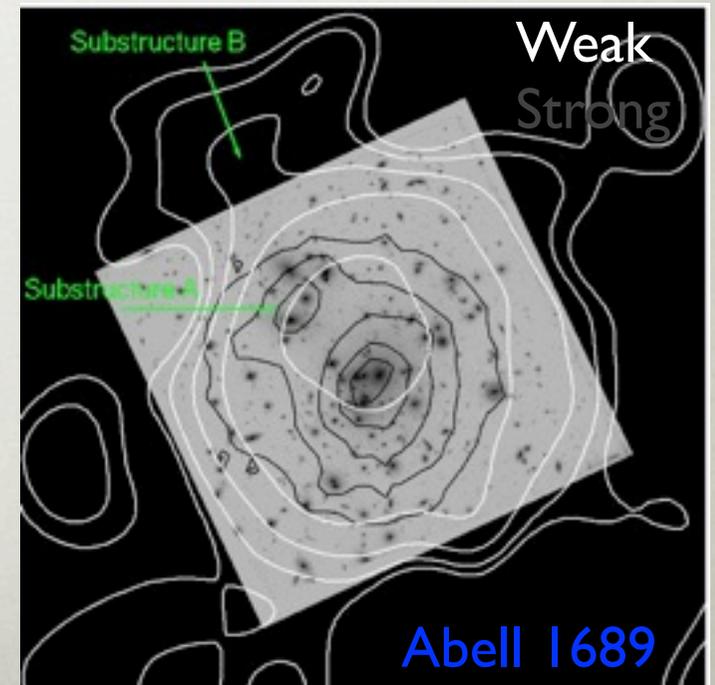
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S. Riemer-Sørensen et al, 2009



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- Galaxy cluster mergers



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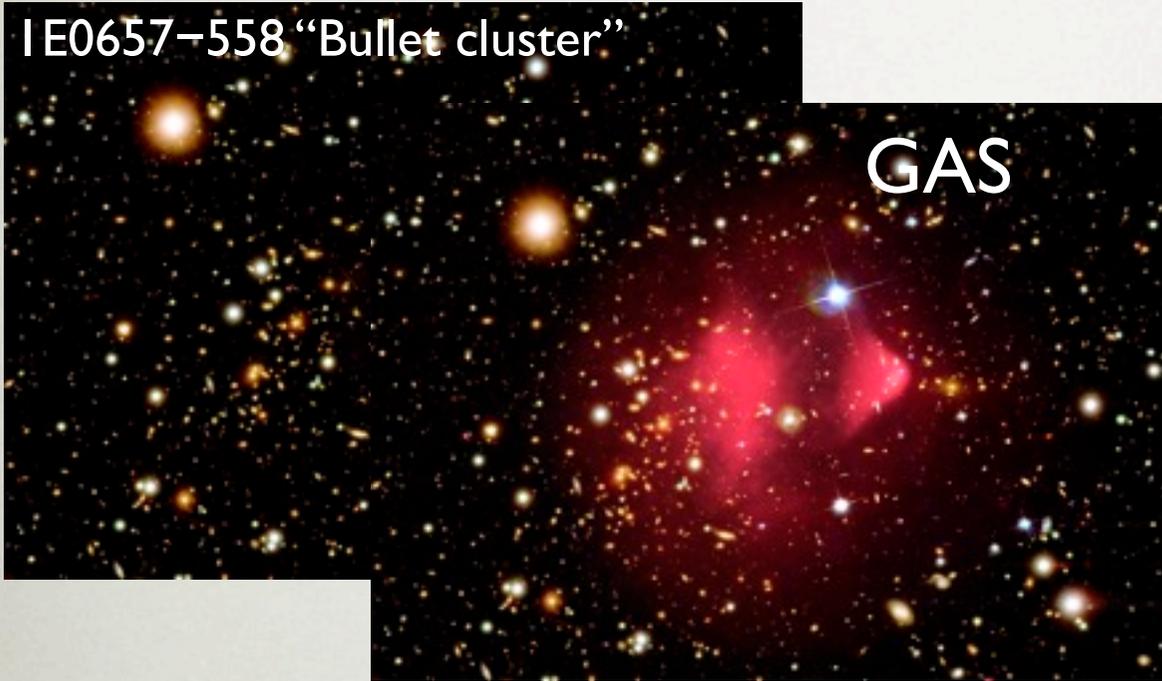
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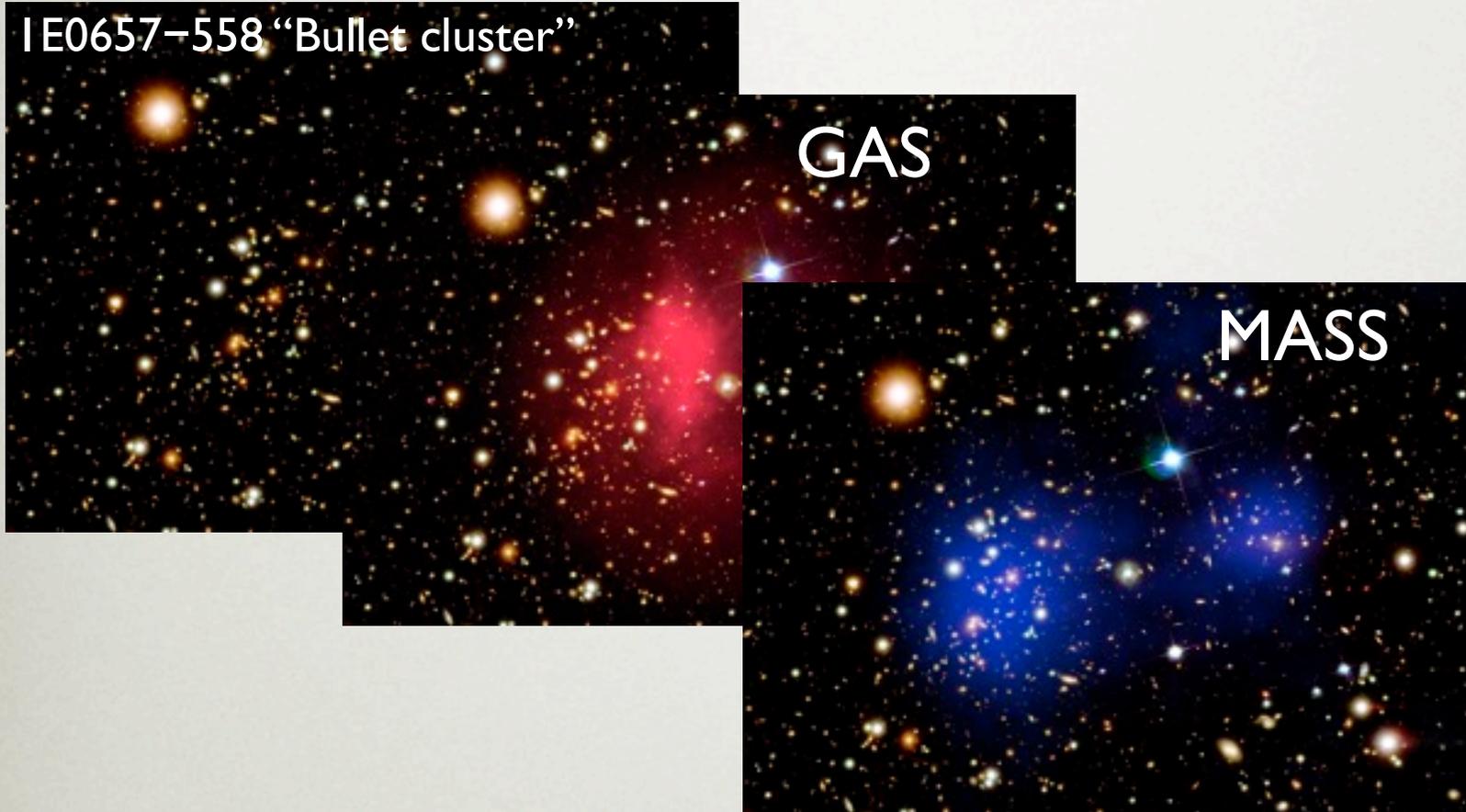


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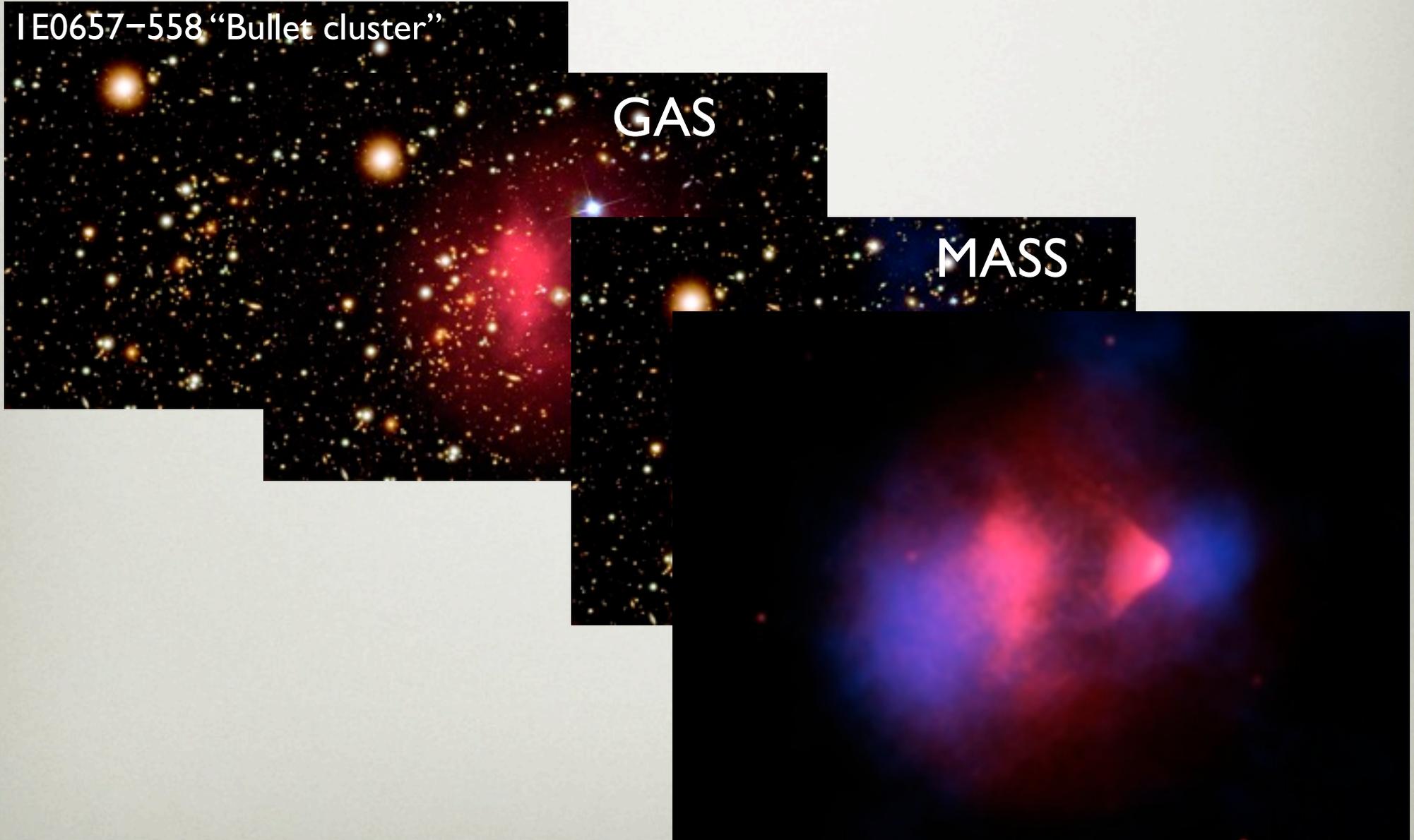


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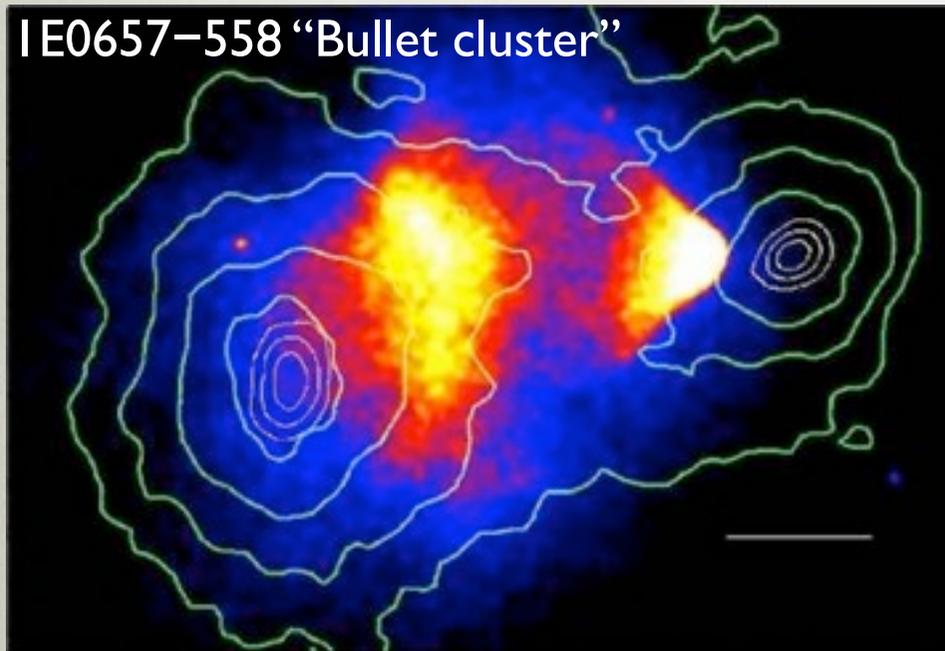
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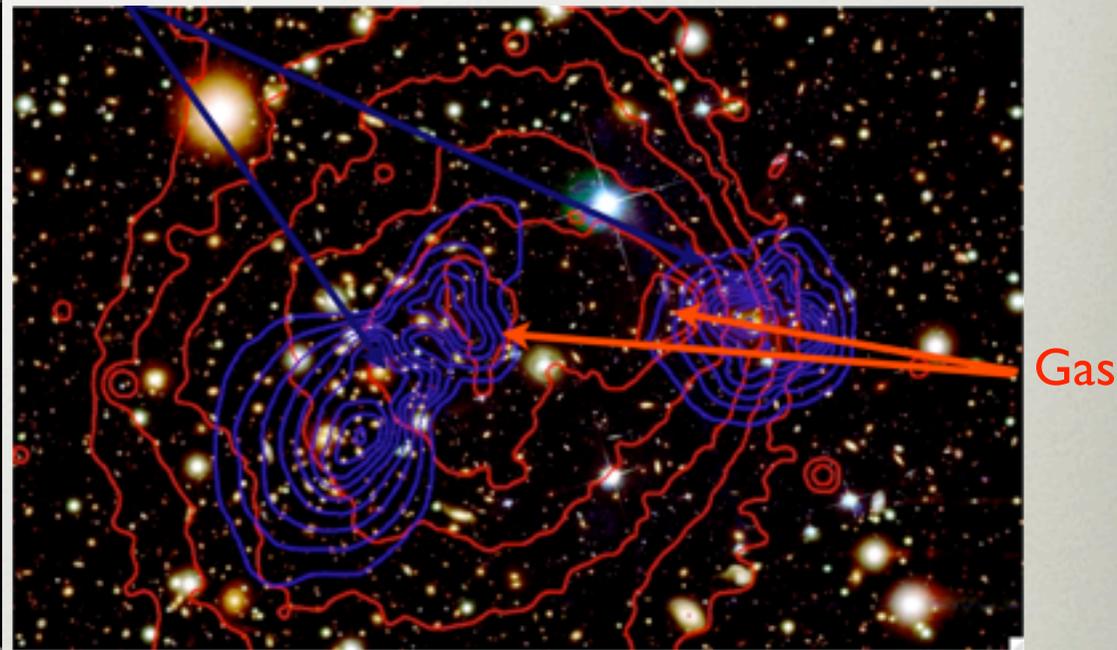
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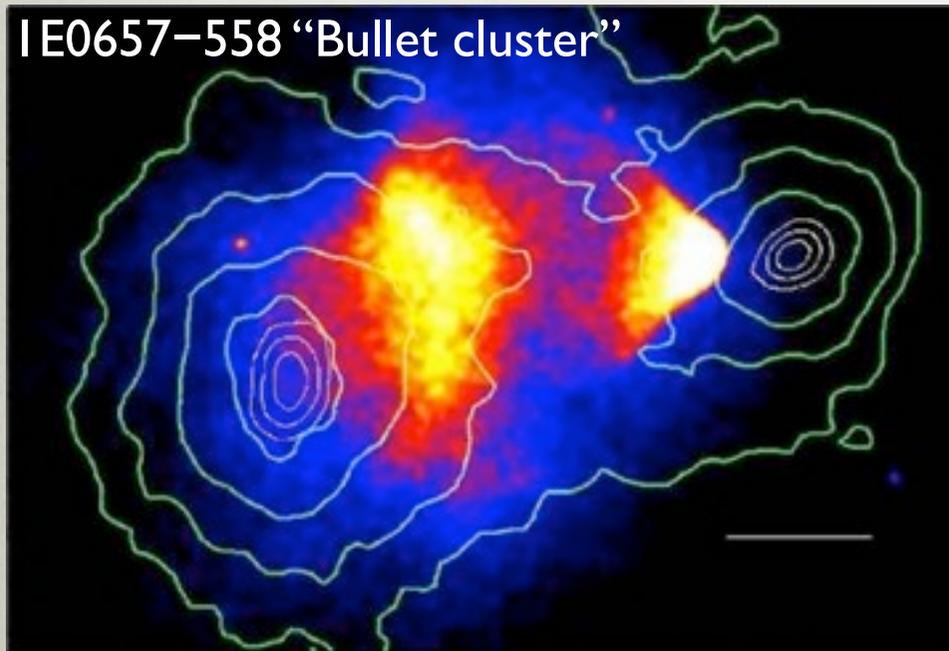


Most of the matter in the system is collisionless* and dark

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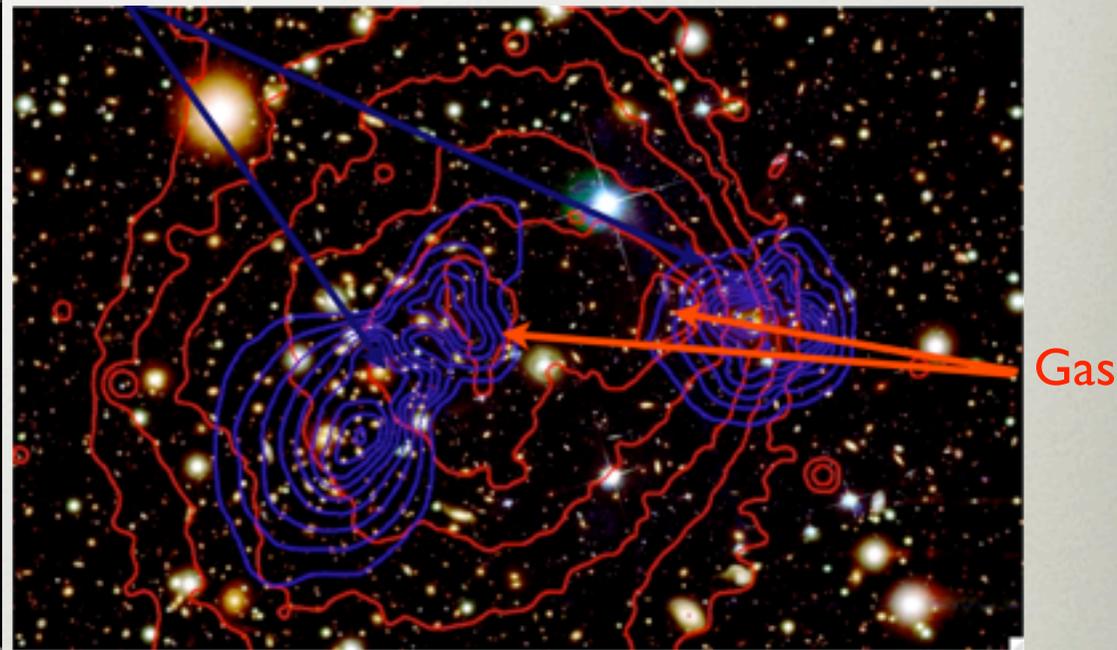
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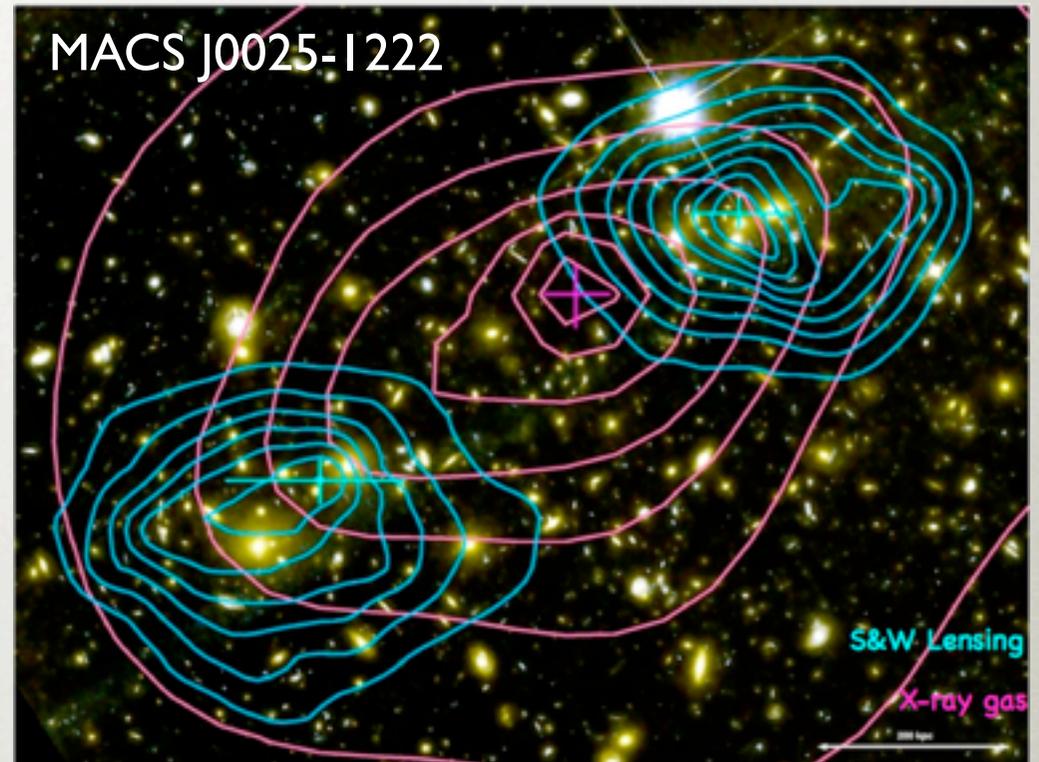
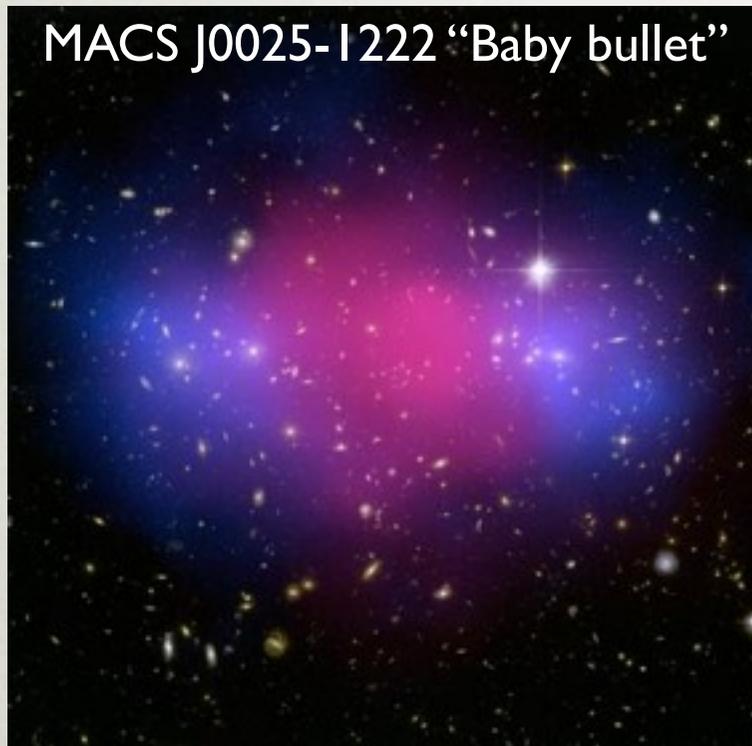
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(*) Constraints on the self-interaction cross section: $\sigma/m < 1.3$ barn/GeV
(Randall et al 2008)

MORE COSMIC SUPERCOLLIDERS

Bradac et al 2008b



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Mahdavi et al 2007



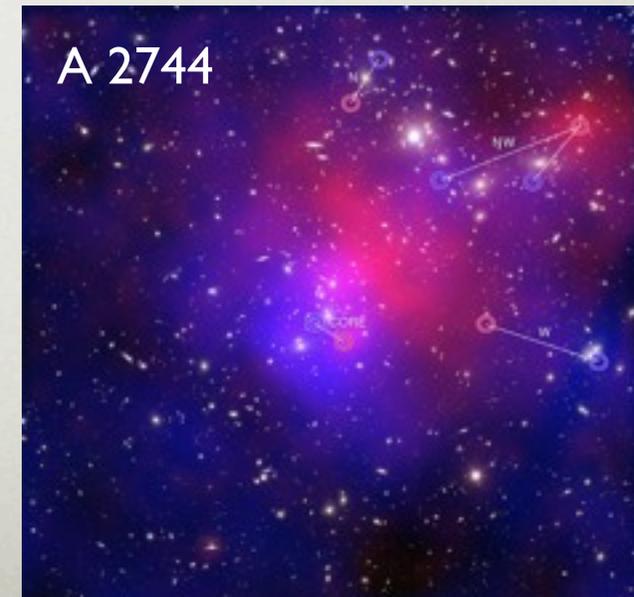
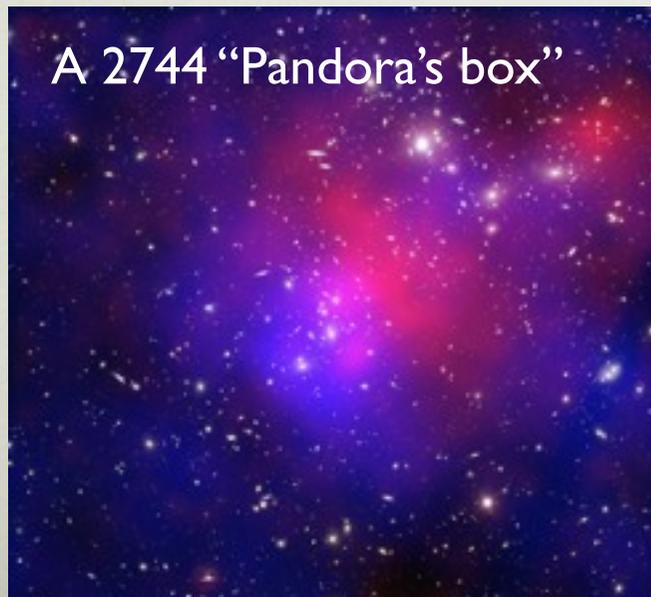
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More of these systems have been found and more data is coming. As we better understand them, we'll gain better insight on dark matter!

GALAXY CLUSTERS

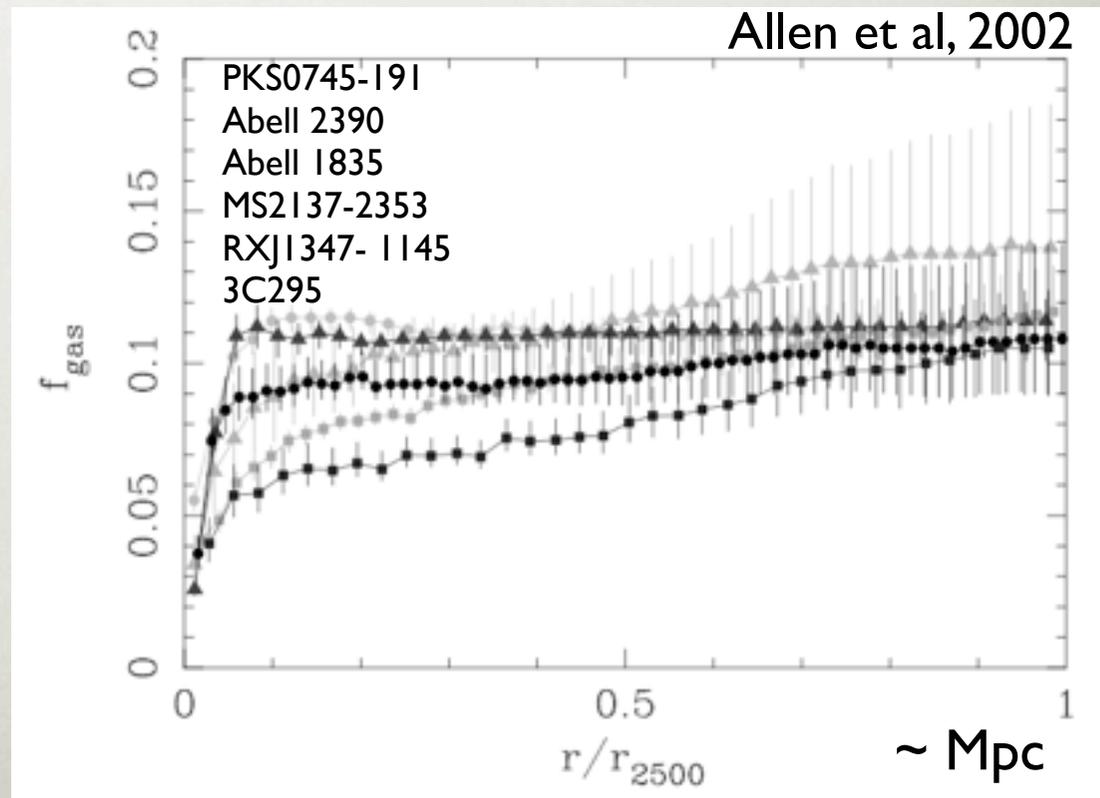
- Gas mass and total mass in galaxy clusters measured by X-ray, lensing
- Assume the matter content in galaxy clusters is representative of the Universe
⇒ constrain the Universe total matter density!

Constrain matter density:

$$\Omega_M (\Omega_B \rho_M / \rho_B \sim \Omega_B / f_{\text{gas}}) \sim \mathbf{0.3}$$

$$\Omega = \frac{\rho}{\rho_c}$$

ρ_c : Critical energy density of the Universe (flat)



BIG BANG NUCLEOSYNTHESIS

- As the Universe cools down (~ 100 s sec after Big Bang, \sim MeV), light elements form (deuterium, helium, lithium). E.g.:



- (Much longer timescales for heavier elements to form, e.g. C, N, O)

Constrains baryon density:

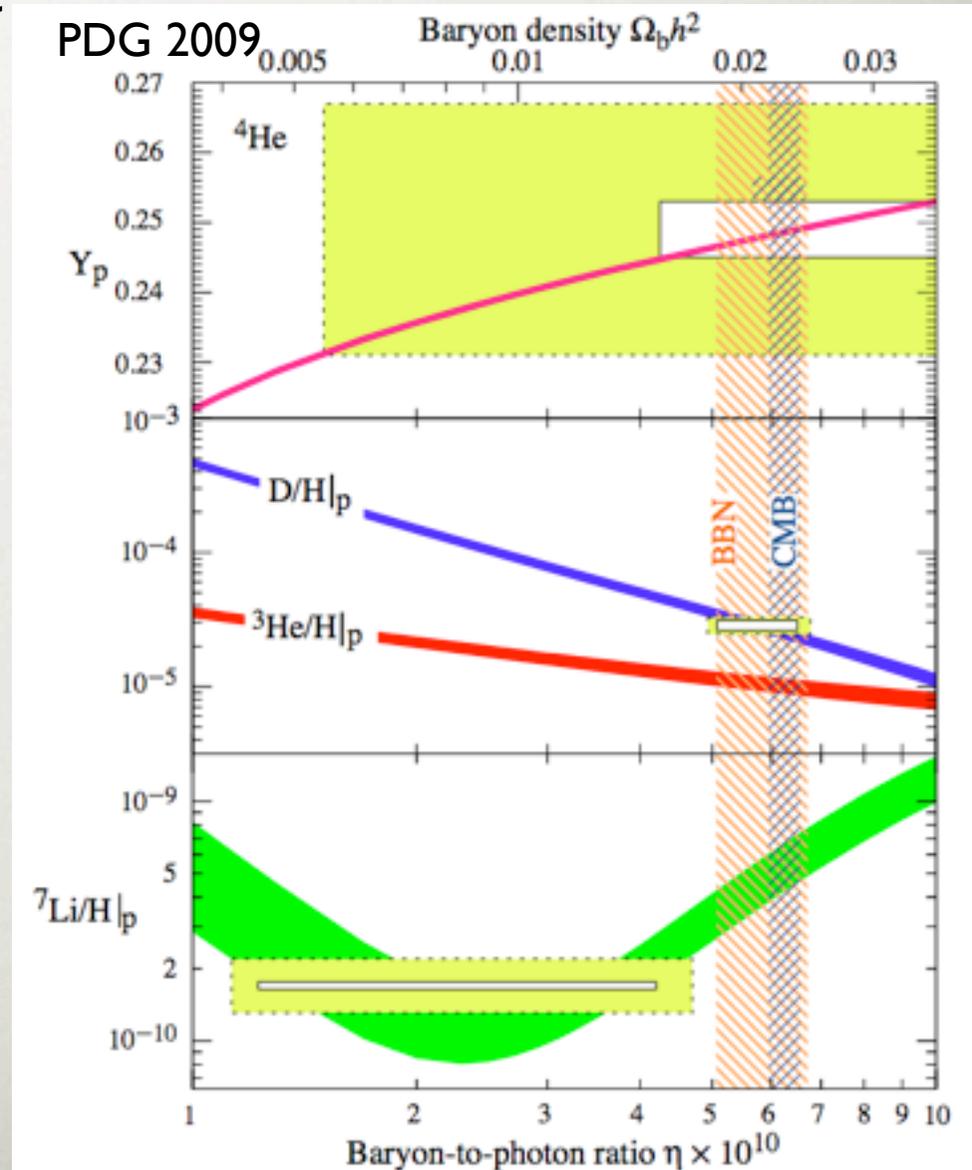
$\Omega_B \sim$ few %

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- ➔ Most matter in the Universe is non-baryonic

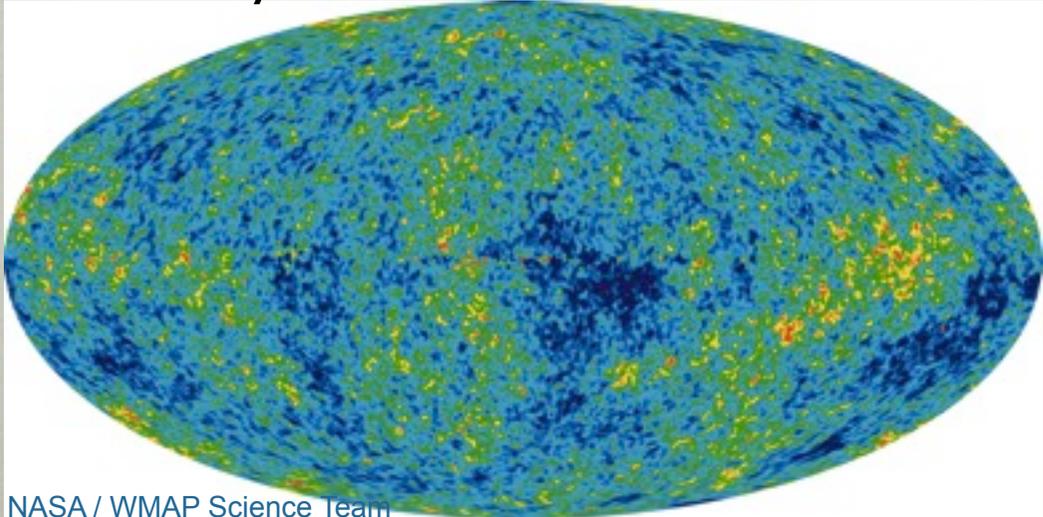
- Remarkable agreement with CMB estimate of baryon density (more later)



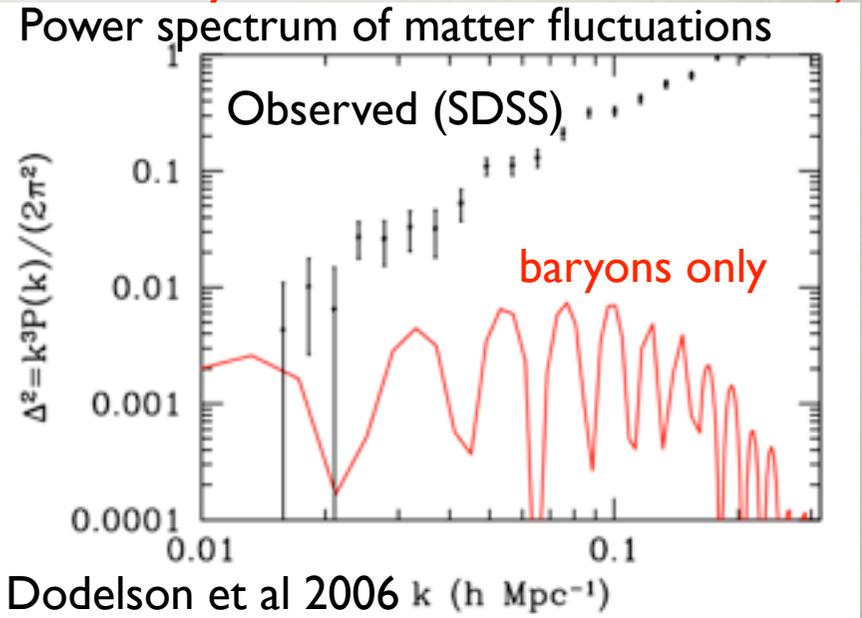
COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND

- Relic of a time in the early Universe when matter and radiation decoupled (protons and electron form neutral hydrogen and become transparent to photons, ~100,000s years after Big Bang, ~ eV)
- Universe was isotropic and homogeneous at large scales
- Very small temperature fluctuations, too small to evolve into structure observed today
T = 2.725 K ➔ Require additional matter to start forming structure earlier (decoupled from baryons and radiation, neutral)
ΔT ~ 200 μK

WMAP 7 year data



NASA / WMAP Science Team



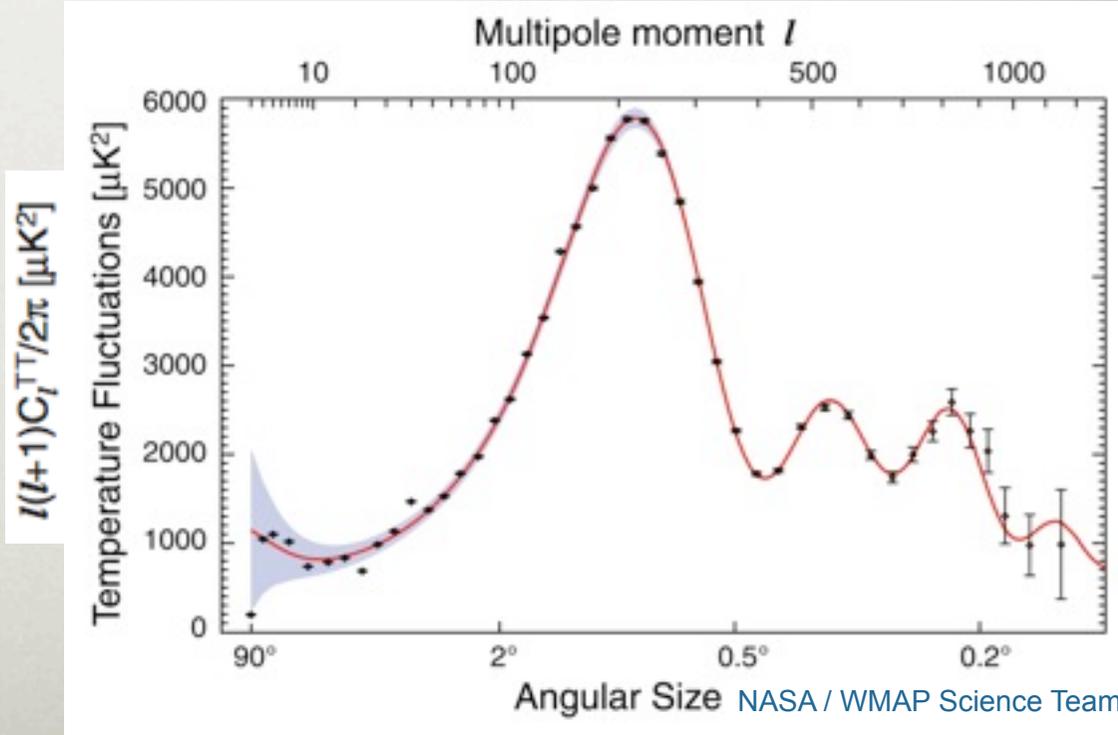
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- The CMB angular power spectrum depends on several parameters, including $\Omega_B, \Omega_M, \Omega_\Lambda$ (Ω_Λ is the vacuum density)
- Decompose temperature field into spherical harmonics

$$T(\hat{n}) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l a_{T,lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$

$$C_l^{TT} = \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_{m=-l}^l a_{T,lm} a_{T,lm}^*$$

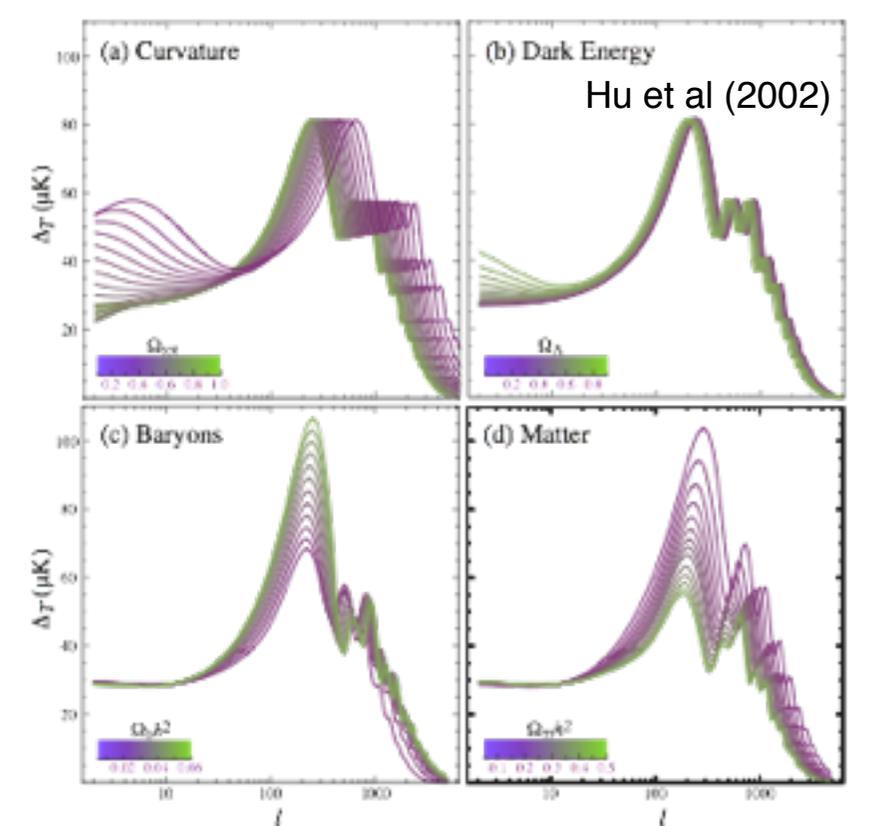
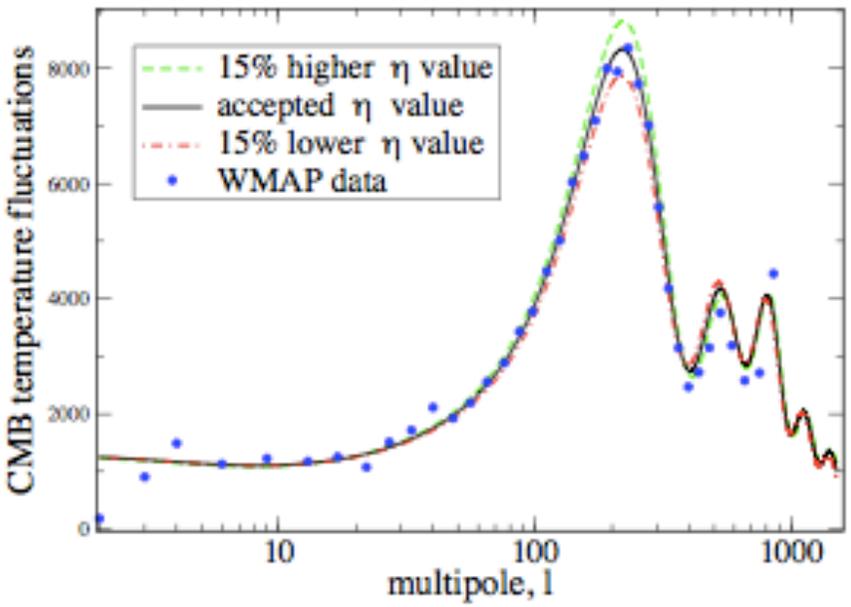
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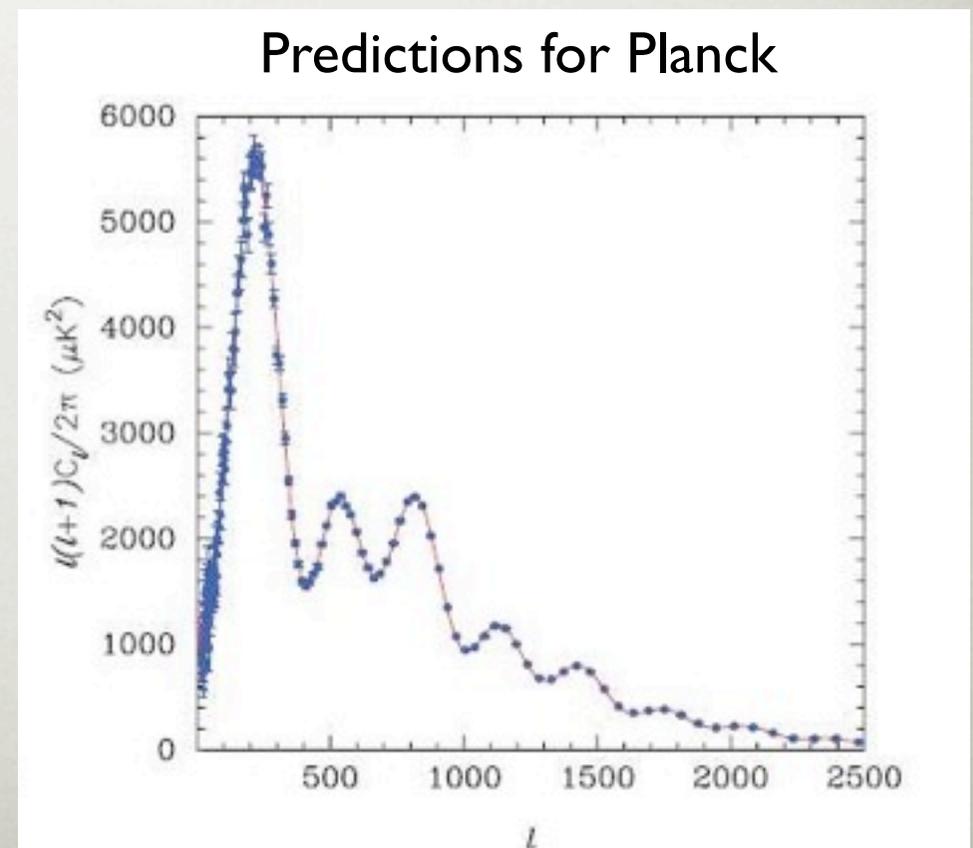
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Ω_B 0.0449 ± 0.0028 Jarosik et al. 2011
DM density 0.222 ± 0.026
 Ω_Λ 0.734 ± 0.029



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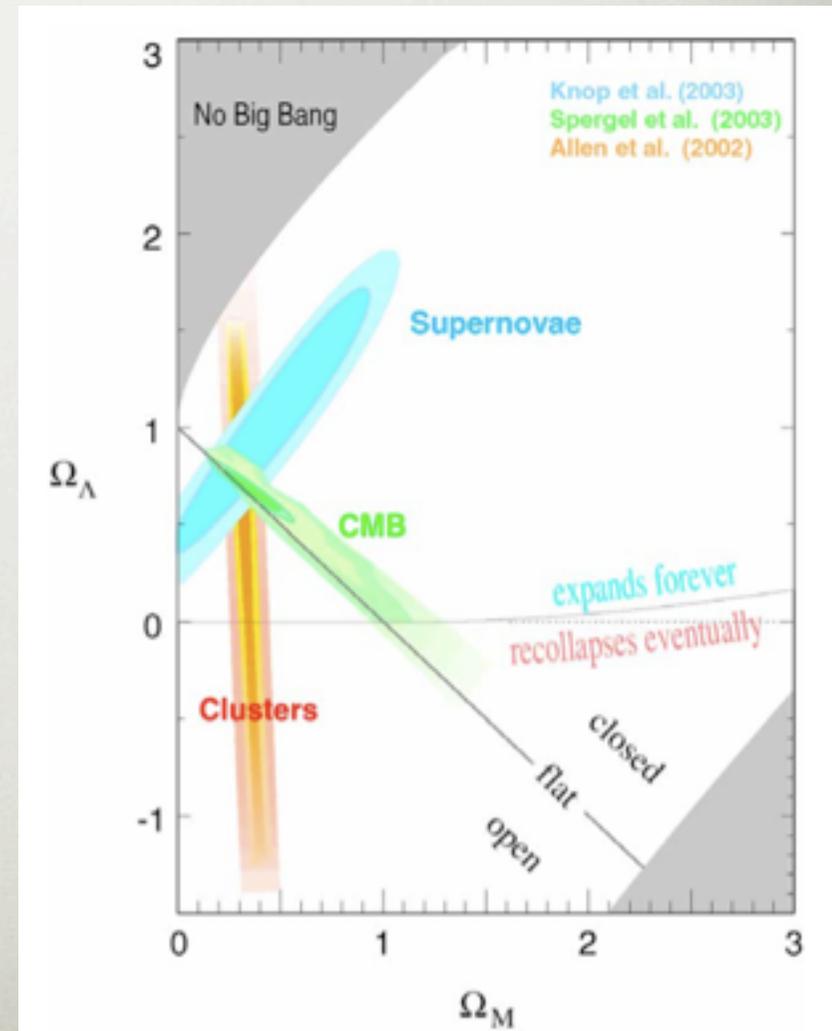
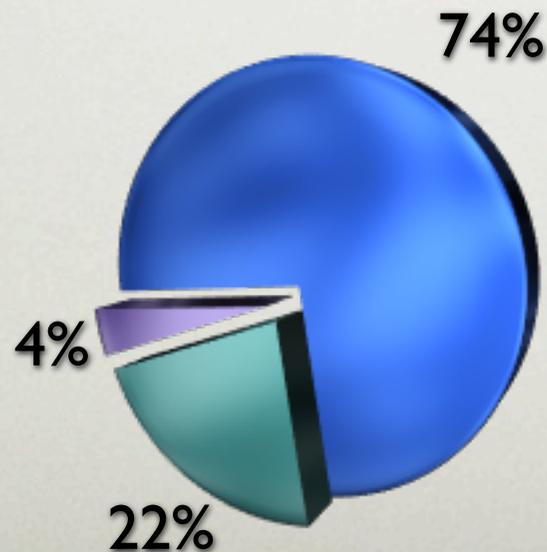
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CONCORDANCE

- Extraordinary agreement in precision cosmology
 - Present Universe mostly made out of dark energy, dark matter, and small contribution from baryonic matter
- ➔ Λ CDM (Lambda Cold Dark Matter), standard model of cosmology

- DARK ENERGY
- DARK MATTER
- ORDINARY MATTER



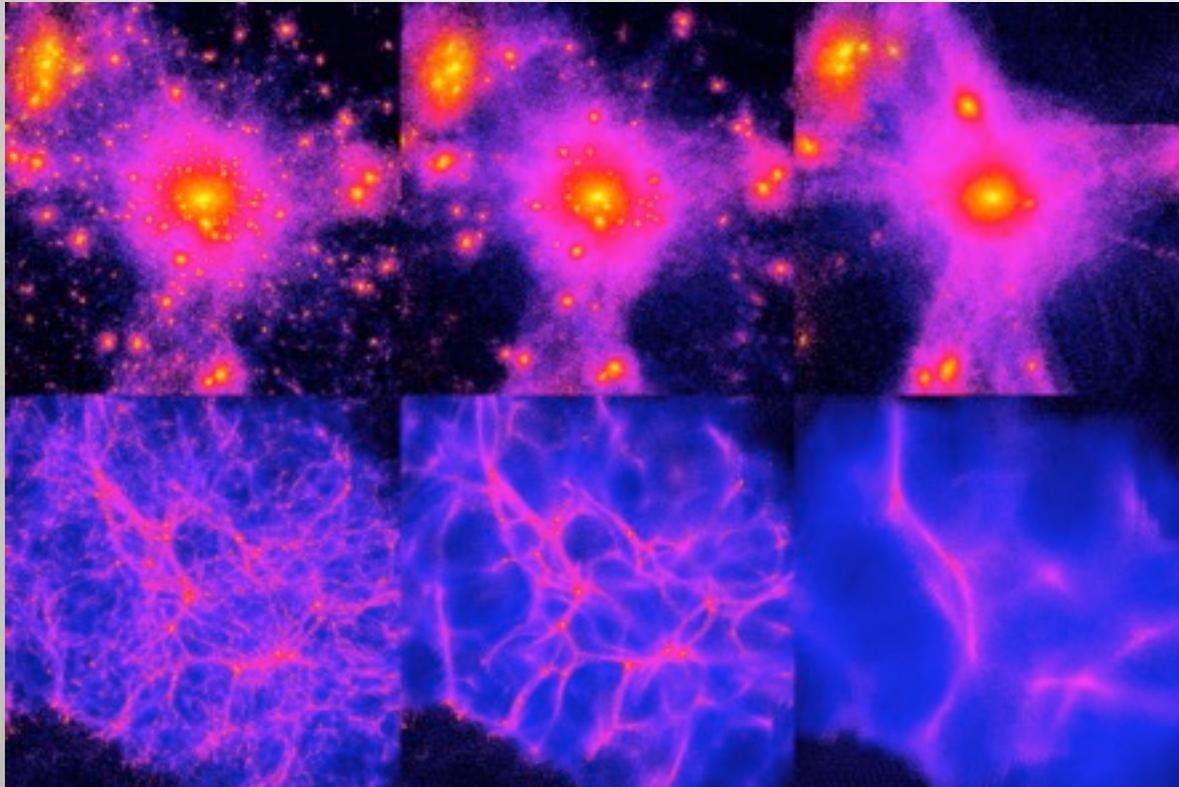
CDM

- CDM (Cold Dark Matter), i.e. non relativistic, consistent with observations
- Hot dark matter excluded (smooths out structure)

COLD

WARM

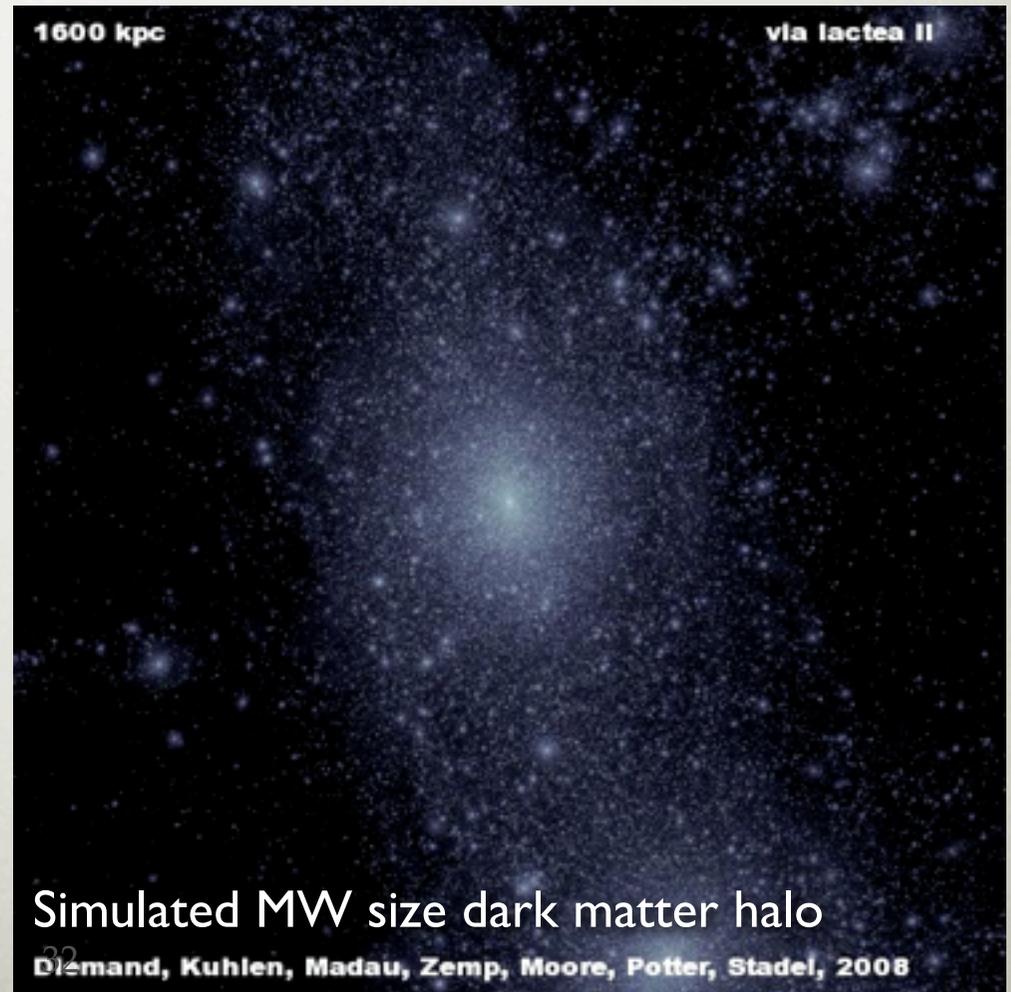
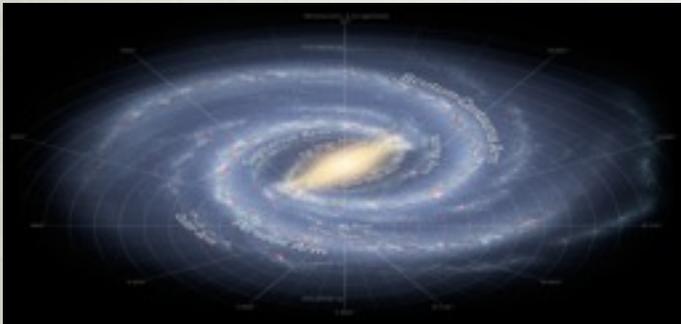
HOT



DARK MATTER DISTRIBUTION

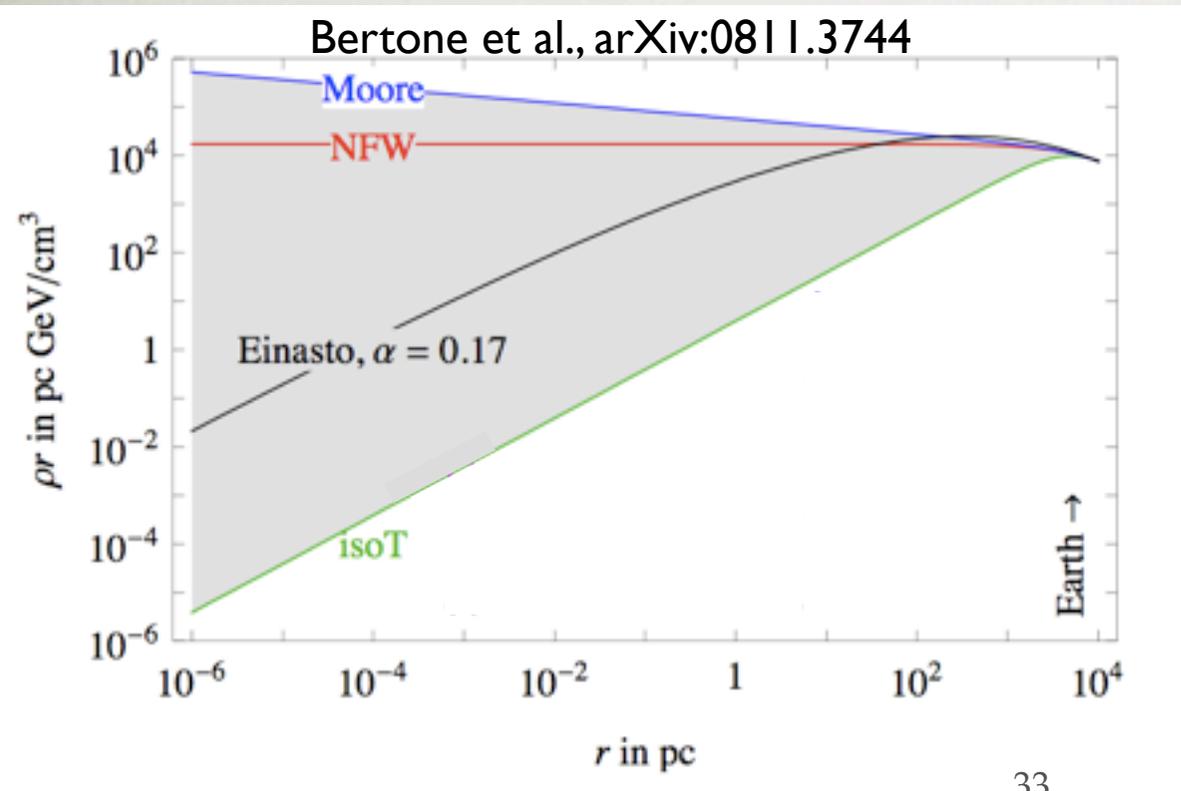
- Milky Way galaxy stellar disk: approx. 30 kpc diameter and 300 pc thick
- The dark matter halo is predicted to extend far past the luminous matter

← 30 kpc →



DARK MATTER DISTRIBUTION

- Cuspy dark matter profile
- Lots of substructure



NFW profile

Navarro, Frenk, and White 1997

$$\rho(r) = \rho_0 \frac{r_0}{r} \frac{1 + (r_0/a_0)^2}{1 + (r/a_0)^2}$$

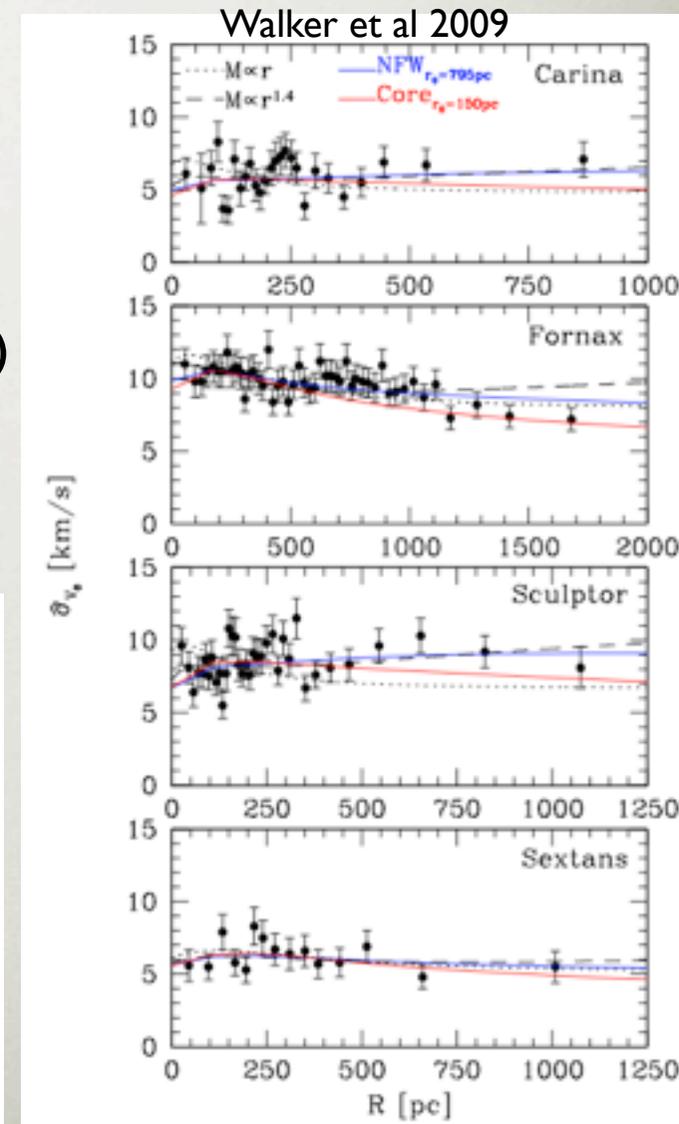
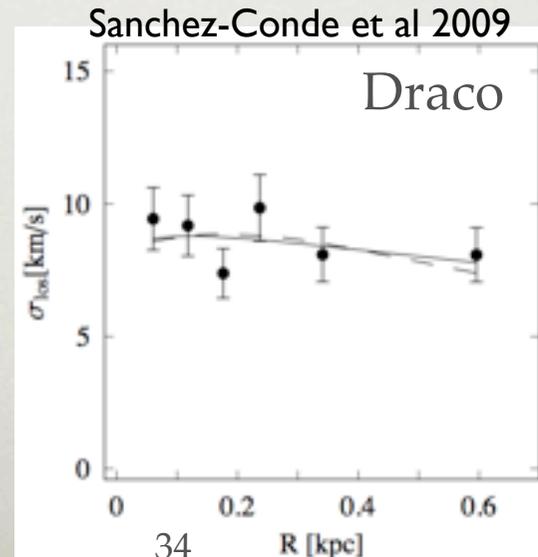
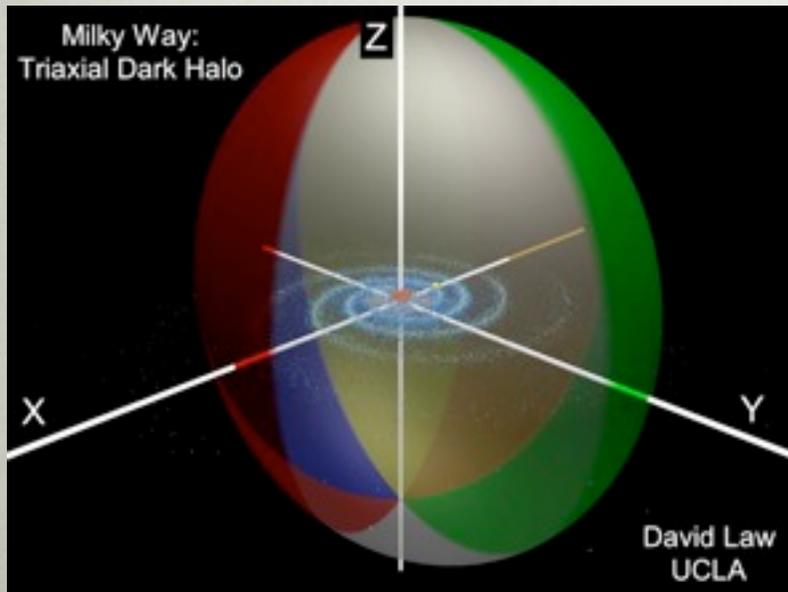
$$\rho_0 = 0.3 \text{ GeV}/\text{cm}^3$$

$$a_0 = 20 \text{ kpc}, r_0 = 8.5 \text{ kpc}$$

- ✓ Via Lactea II (Diemand et al 2008) predicts a cuspy profile, $\rho(r) \propto r^{-1.2}$
- ✓ Aquarius (Springel et al 2008) predicts a shallower than r^{-1} innermost profile

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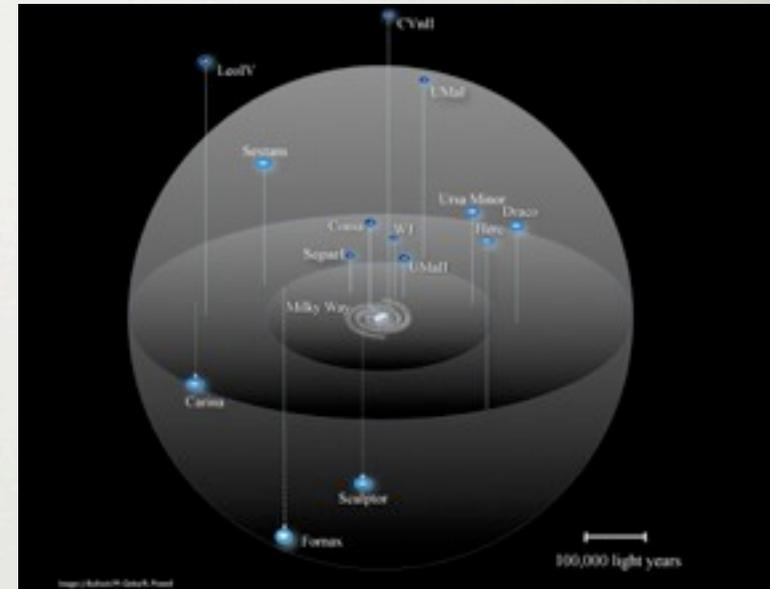
- Strong predictions from Λ CDM on how DM is distributed
- ... but much is still unknown, e.g.:
 - ▶ cuspsiness of the profile
 - ▶ halo shape (spherical, prolate, oblate, triaxial, dark disk, ...)
 - ▶ substructure



DM SUBSTRUCTURES

Optically observed dwarf spheroidal galaxies (dSph): largest clumps predicted by N-body simulation.

- ▶ Very large M/L ratio: 10 to $\sim > 1000$ (M/L ~ 10 for Milky Way)
- ▶ More promising targets could be discovered by current and upcoming experiments! (SDSS, DES, PanSTARRS, ...)



➔ DM density inferred from the stellar data!



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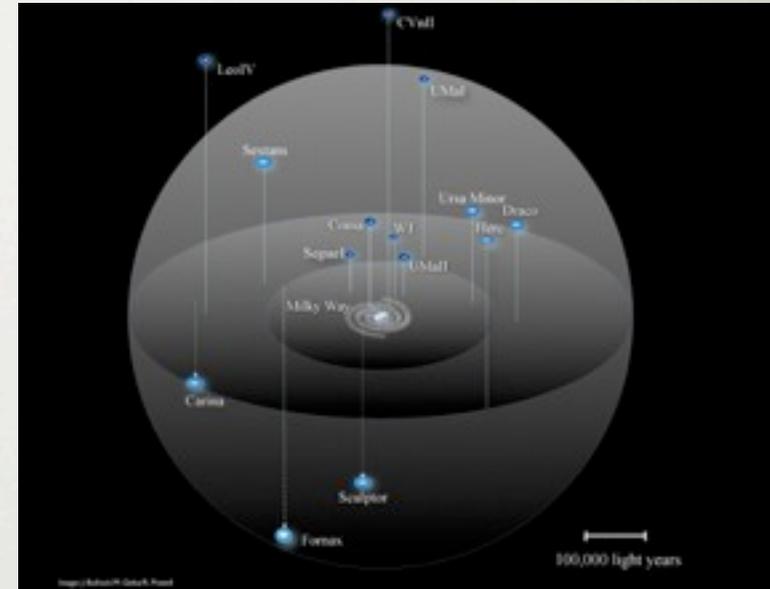
➔ DM substructures: excellent targets for indirect DM searches!

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Never before observed DM substructures:

- ▶ Would significantly shine only in radiation produced by DM annihilation/decay
- ▶ But we don't know where they are!

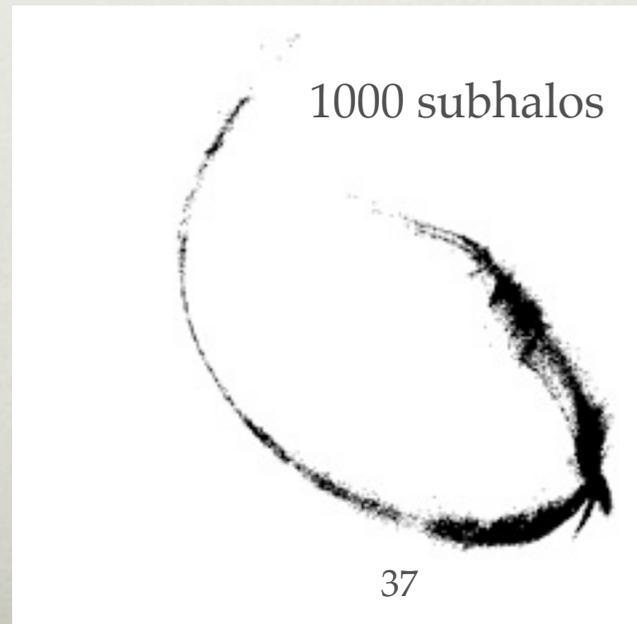


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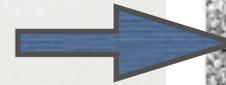
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Star stream north-west
of M31 (Andromeda)

Measurements seem to be
consistent with lumpy!



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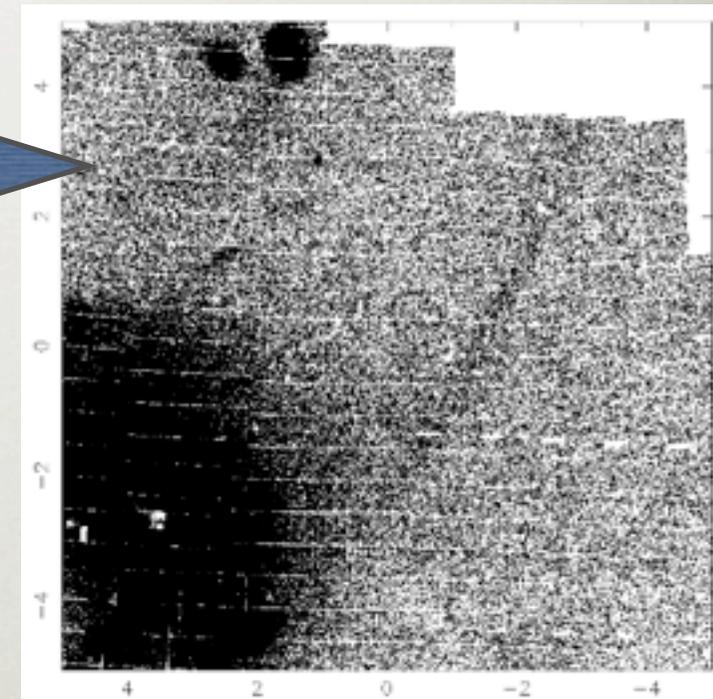
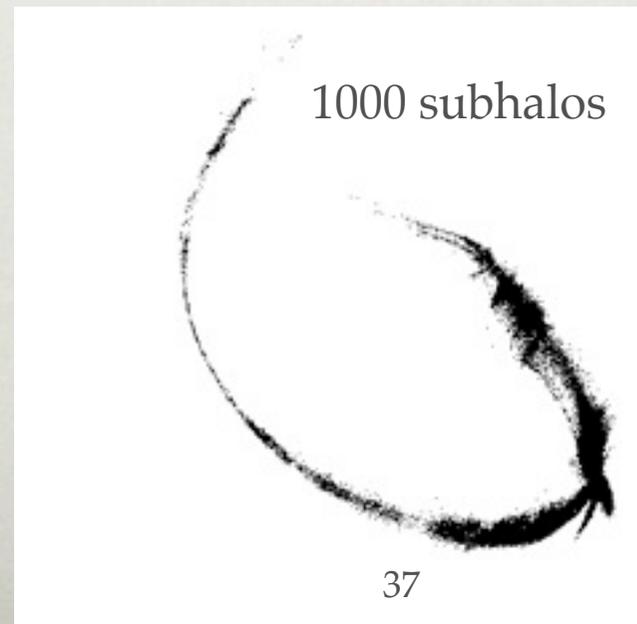
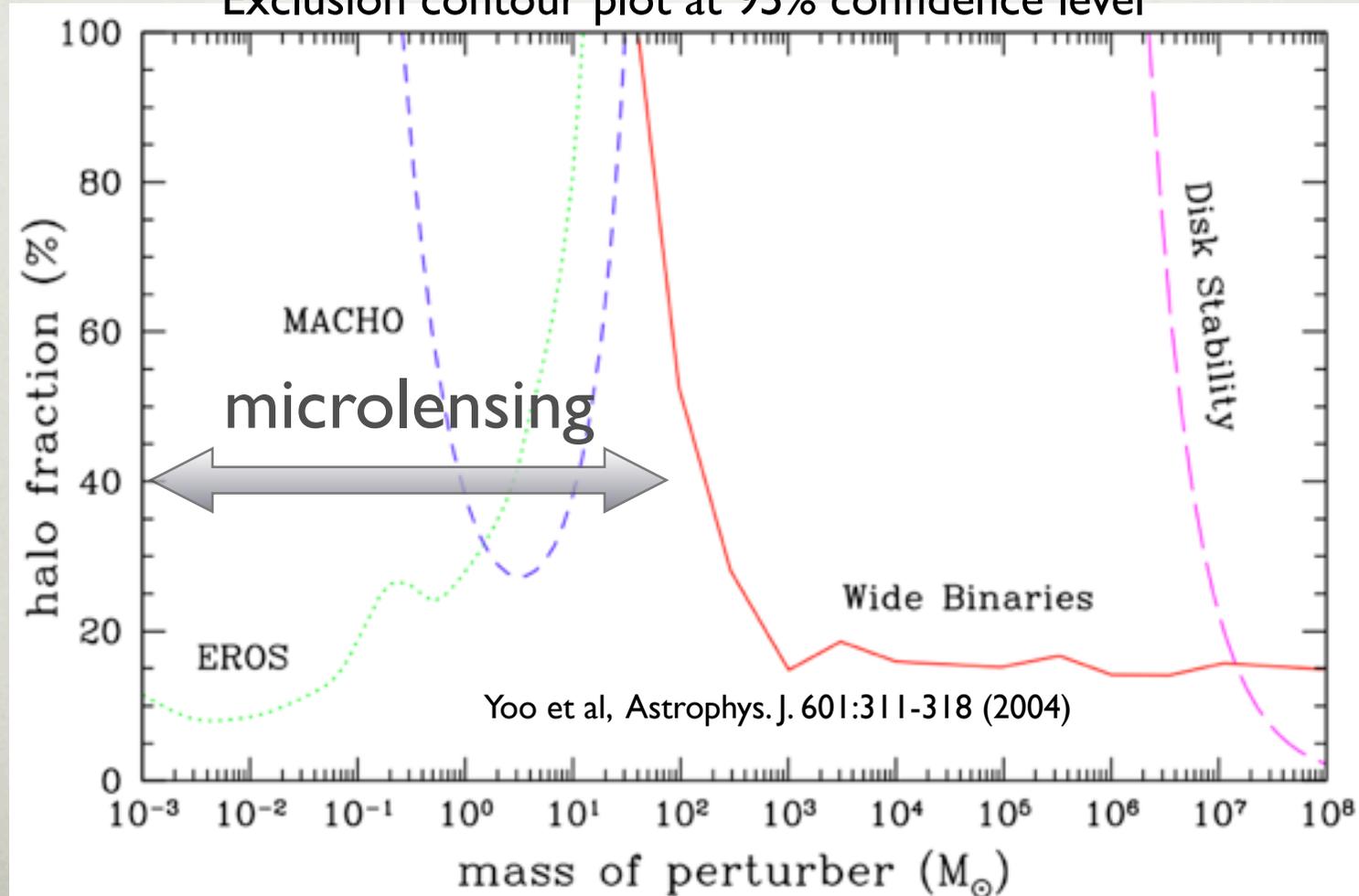


FIG. 1.— The spatial distribution of the $[\text{Fe}/\text{H}] = [-0.6, -2.4]$ red giant stars in the NW region of M31. A full field version is presented in Richardson et al. (2011). The image is 10° across in the tangent projection co-ordinates, which are centered in the exact middle of this map.

MACHOs

- MACHOs (MASSive Compact Halo Objects) are strongly disfavored as an explanation for dark matter
- E.g. low luminosity stars, planets, black holes

Exclusion contour plot at 95% confidence level



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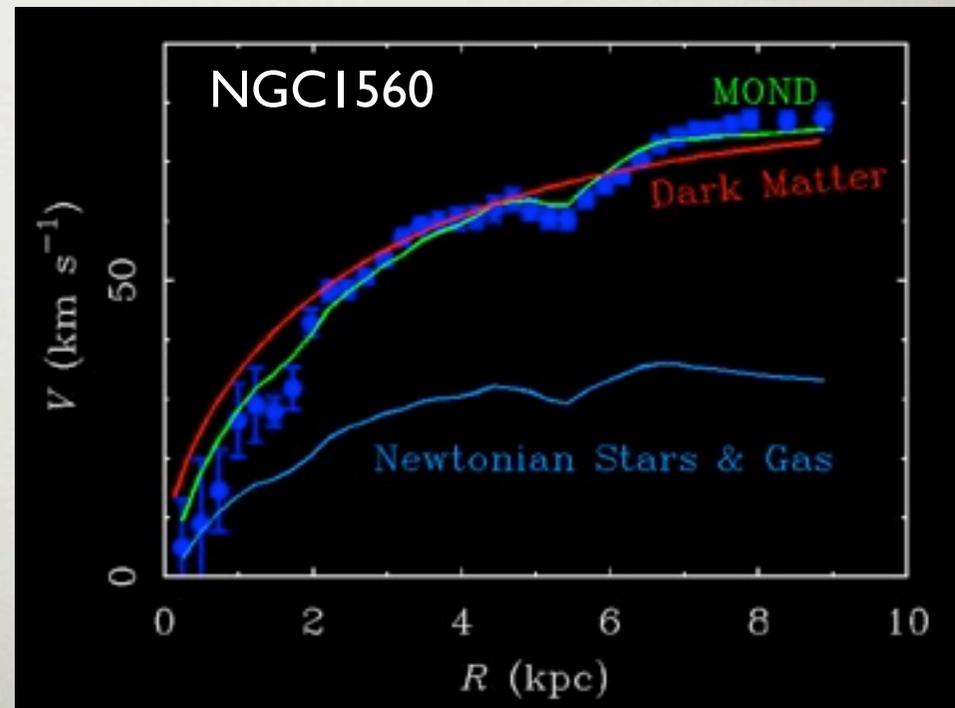
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Begeman et al 1991
Sellwood et al 2005

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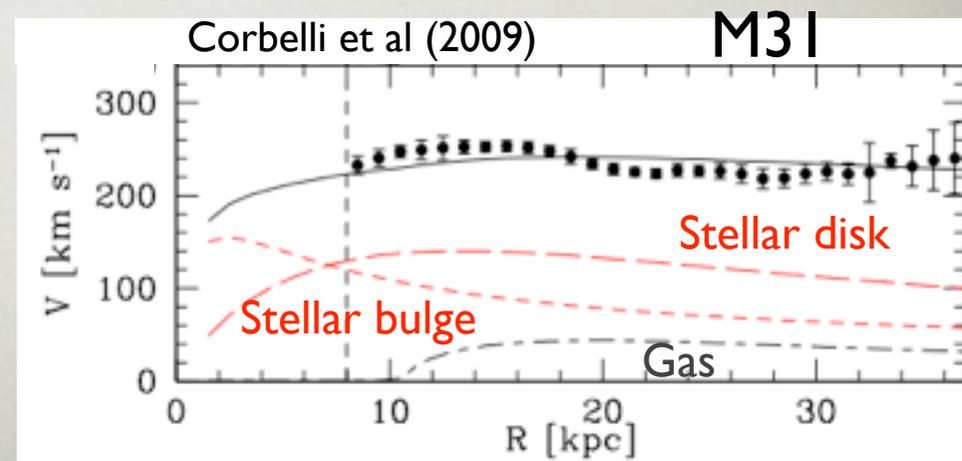
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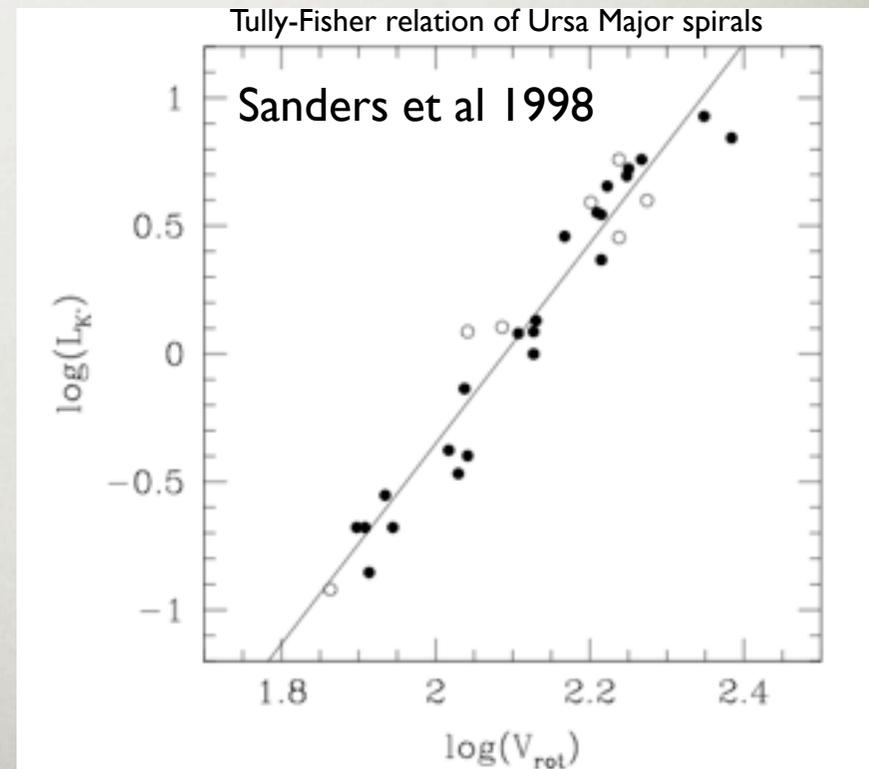
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SUMMARY

- Evidence for dark matter is overwhelming, e.g.:
 - ▶ Rotation curves
 - ▶ Gravitational lensing
 - ▶ Structure formation
- What data tells us about dark matter:
 - ▶ it makes up almost all of the matter in the Universe
 - ▶ it interacts very weakly, and at least gravitationally, with ordinary matter
 - ▶ it is cold, i.e. non-relativistic
 - ▶ it is neutral
 - ▶ it is stable (or it is very long-lived)

➡ But doesn't tell us what it is...