

Warm DM Scenario for galaxy formation: constraining the WDM candidates

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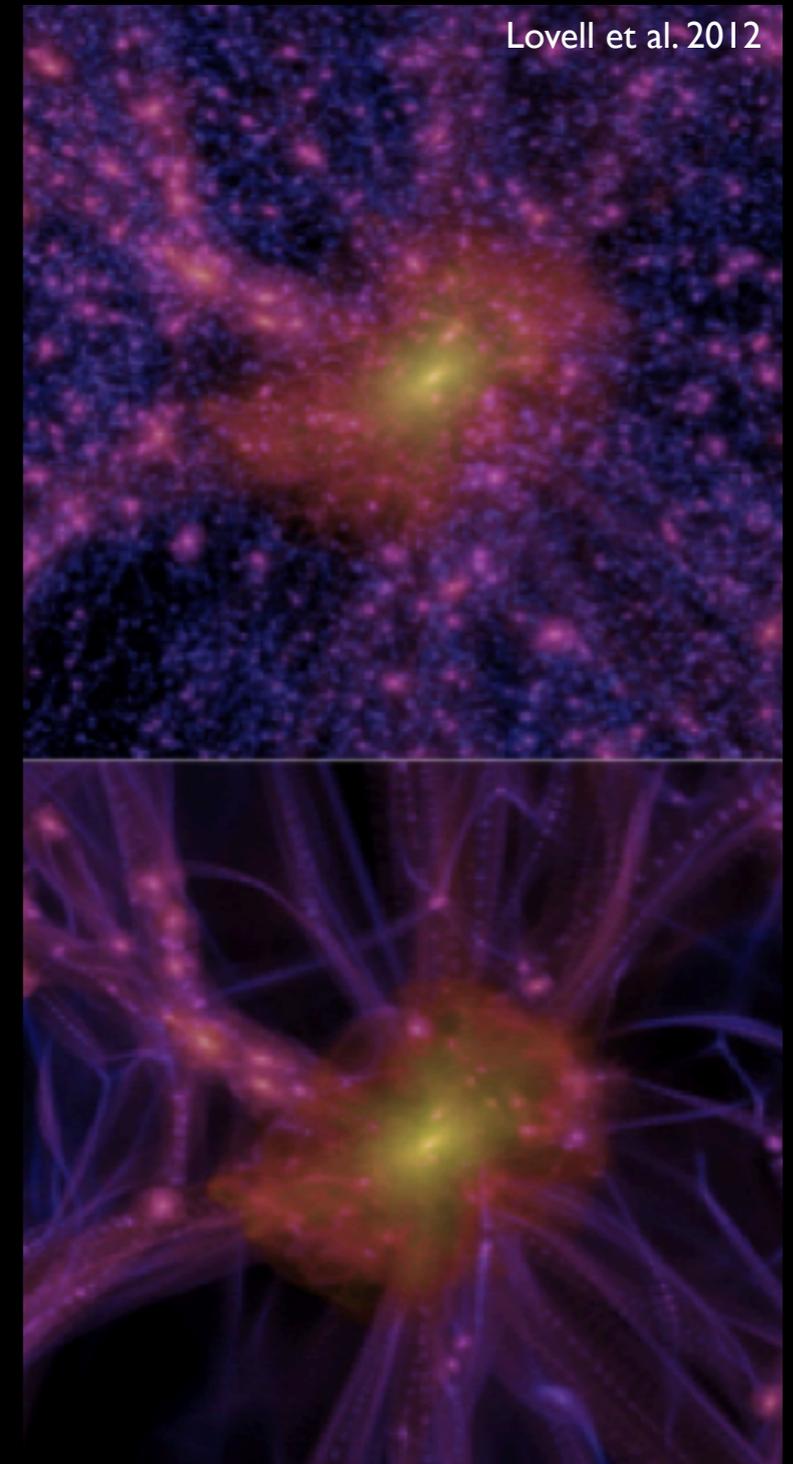
Outline

Unsolved issues in CDM on small scales

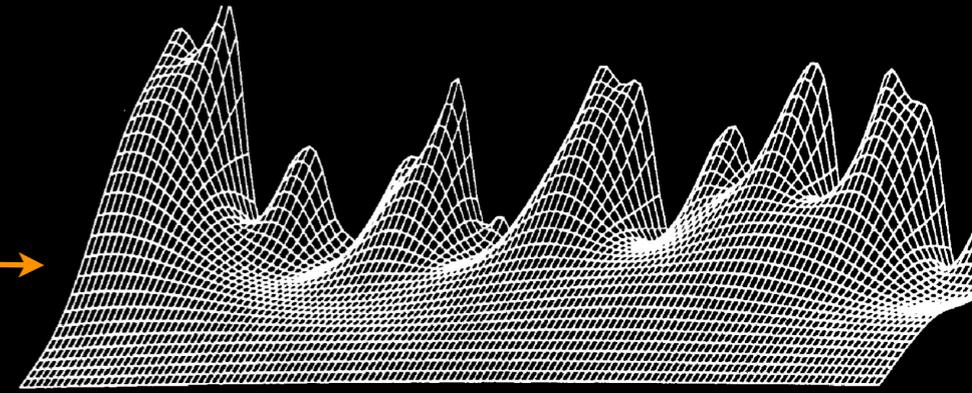
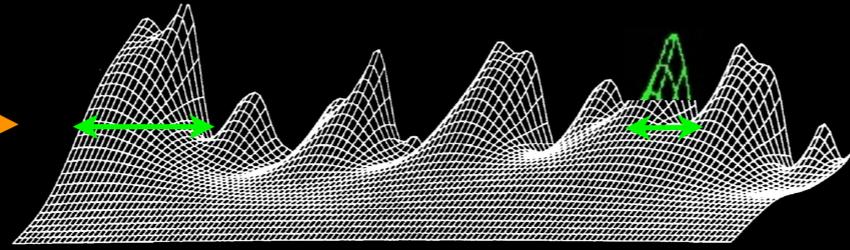
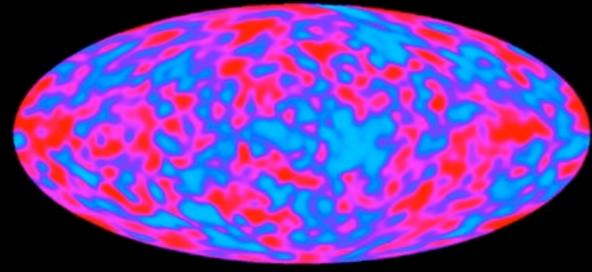
Solutions based on
Astrophysics
vs
Solutions based on
Warm Dark Matter

Some properties of WDM galaxy formation

Constraining the Warm Dark Matter particle mass:
getting rid of uncertainties due to
modelling of astrophysical processes



Cosmic Structures form from the collapse of overdense regions in the DM primordial density field, and grow by gravitational instability



Gaussian Random field

$$\delta = \frac{\delta\rho}{\rho}$$

$$p(\delta_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_k} e^{-\frac{\delta_k^2}{2\sigma_k^2}}$$

$$R = 2\pi/k$$

$$M = \frac{4\pi}{3} \rho R^3$$

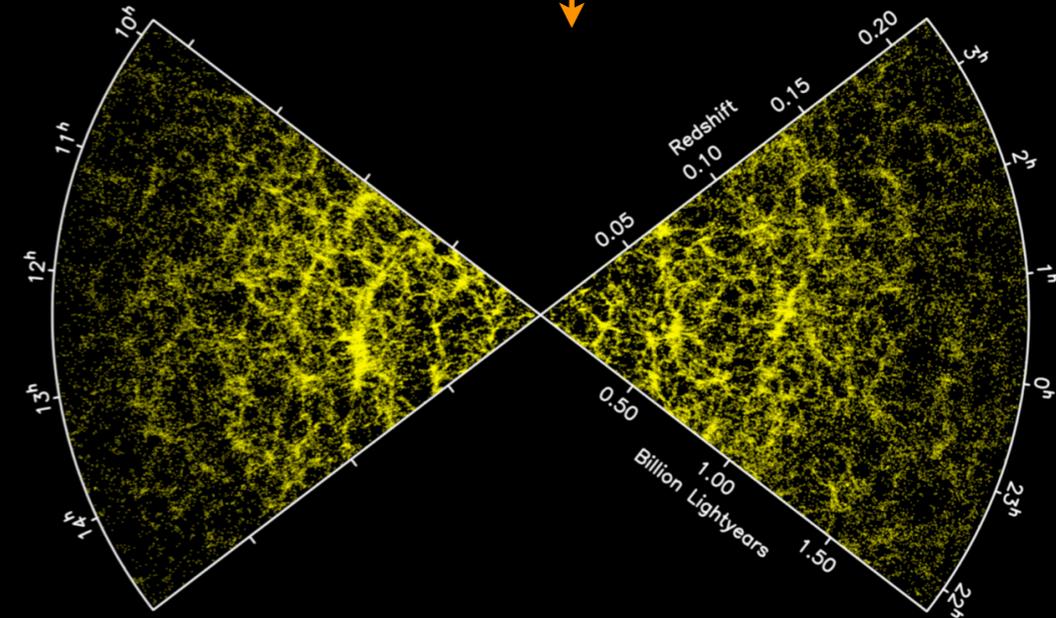
$$\langle \delta_M^2 \rangle = \sigma^2(M) g(t)$$

Mean (square) value of perturbations of size $R (\sim 1/k)$ enclosing a mass M

$$P(k) = \frac{1}{V} \langle |\delta_k|^2 \rangle$$

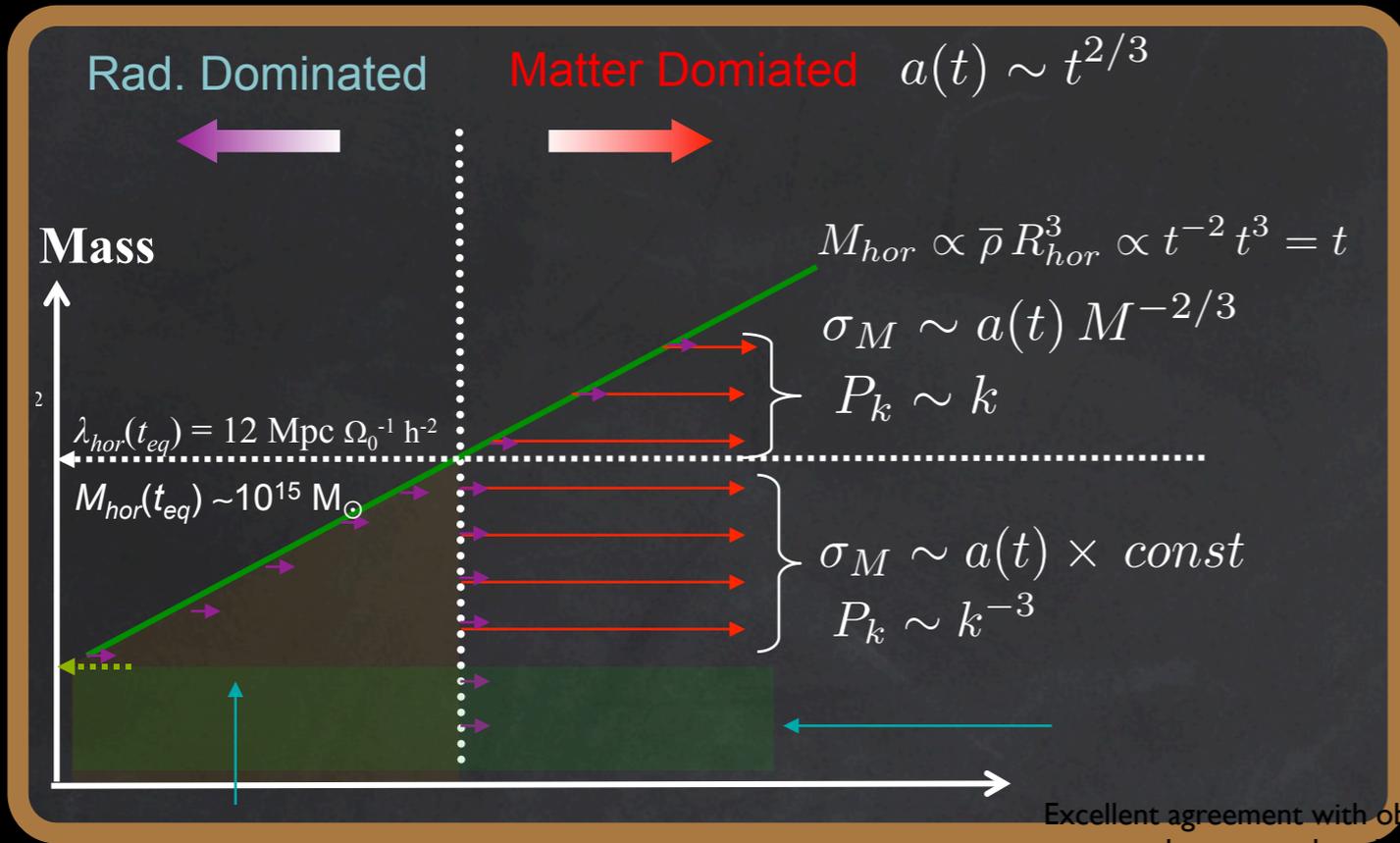
$$\sigma_M^2 = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3 V} \int^{M \leftrightarrow k} dk k^2 P(k)$$

$$\sigma_M^2 \leftrightarrow P(k)$$



Variance $\sigma(M)$ quantifies the typical amplitude of density perturbations on a given mass scale

The Variance of the perturbation field

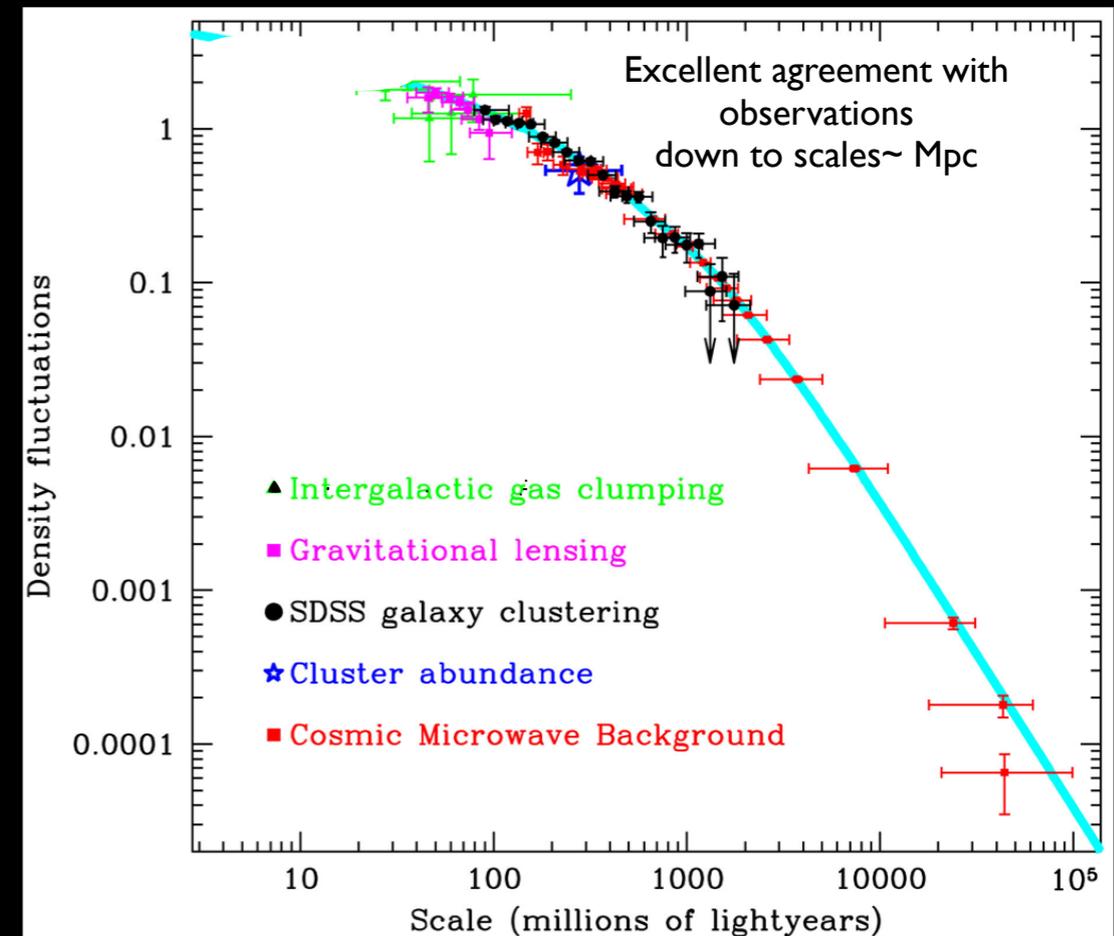
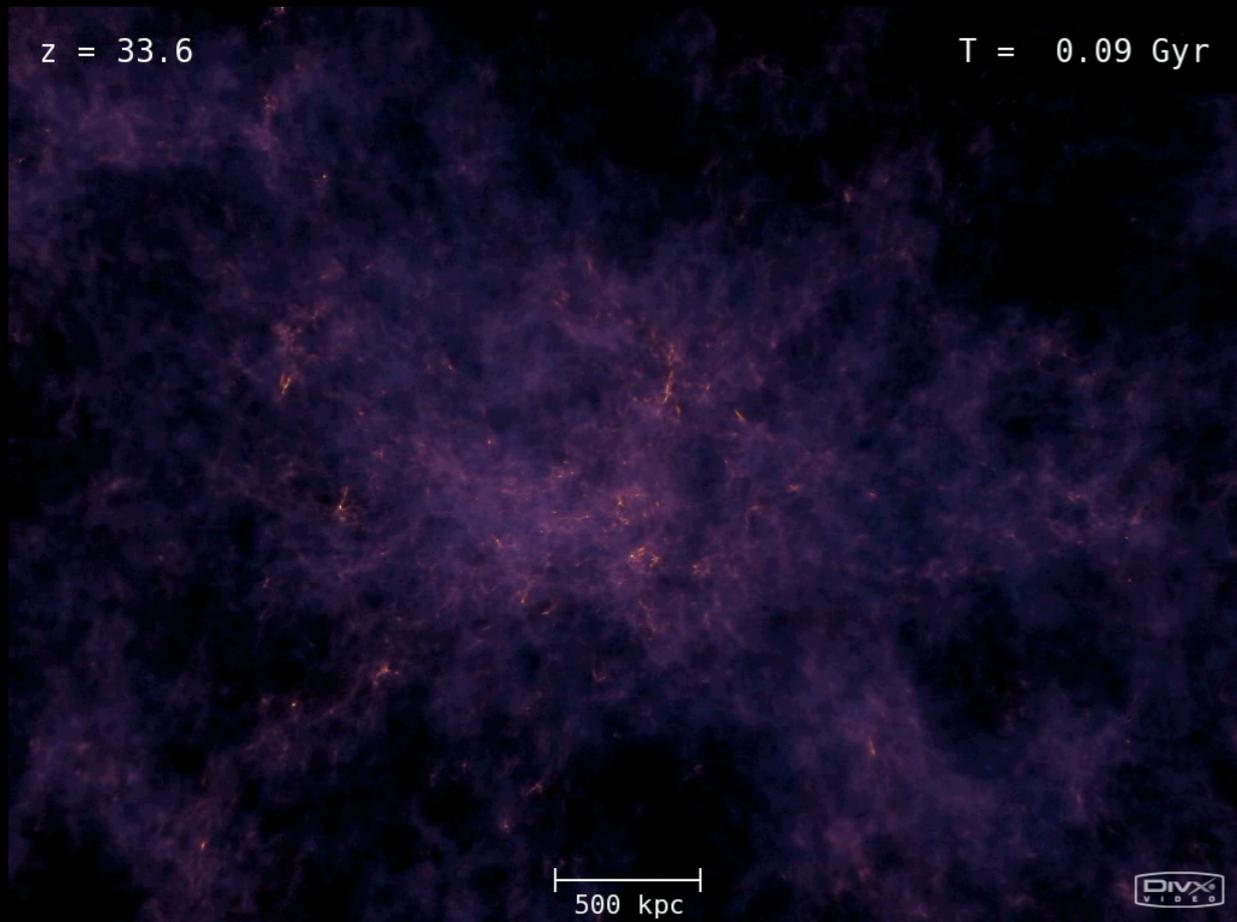


Cold Dark Matter

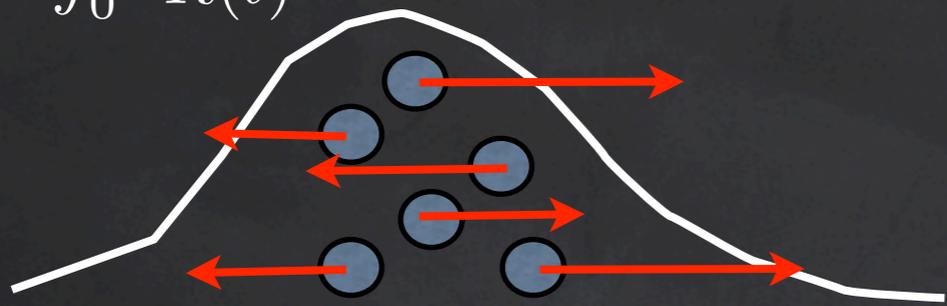
non relativistic at decoupling
no dissipation down to small scales $< 10^6 M_{\odot}$

Variance is an ever-increasing inverse function of the mass scale.

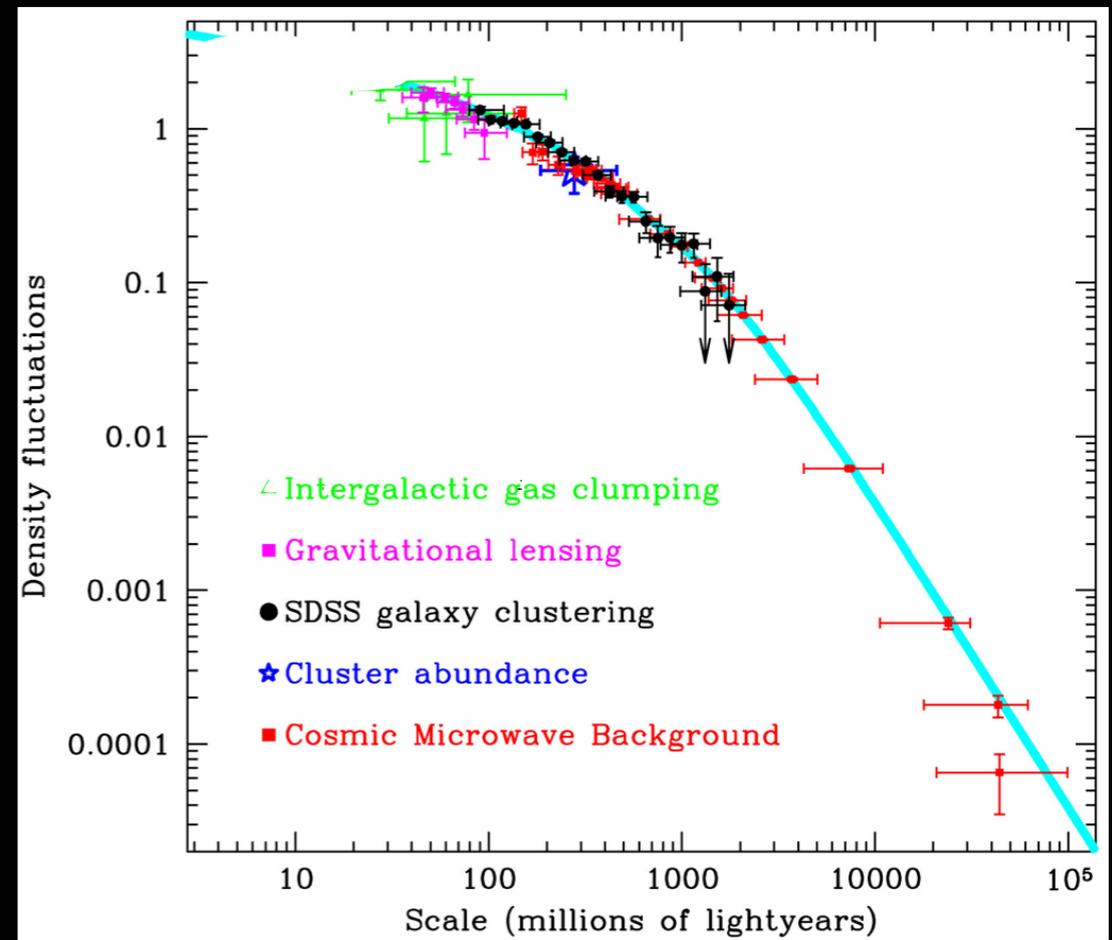
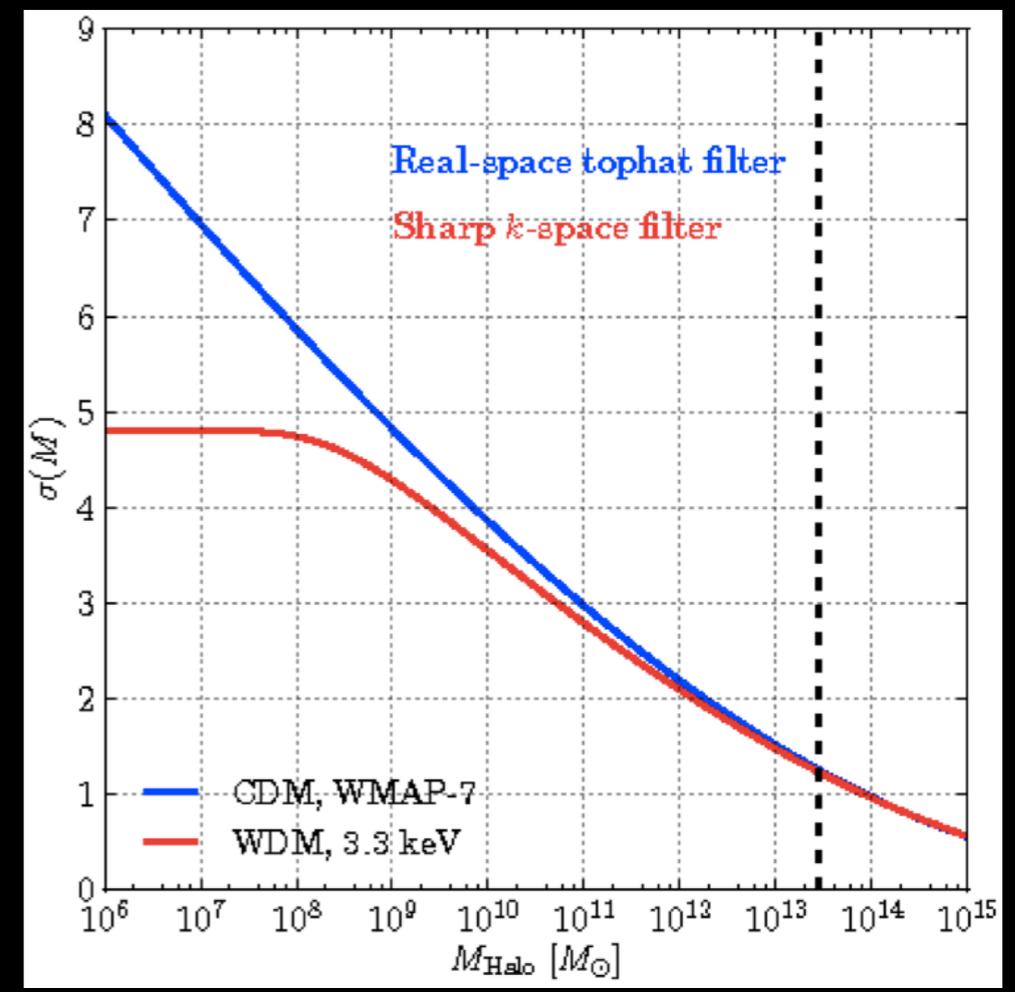
Huge number of small-scale structures



Dissipation, free-streaming scale

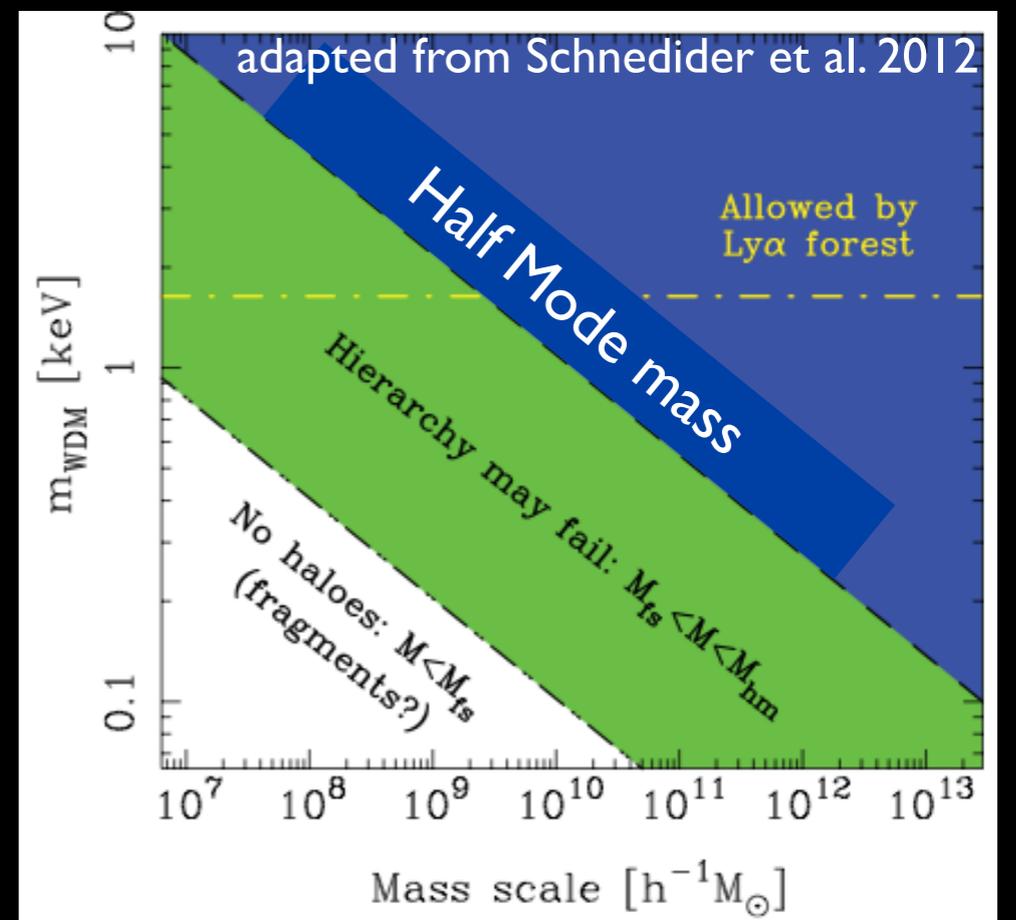
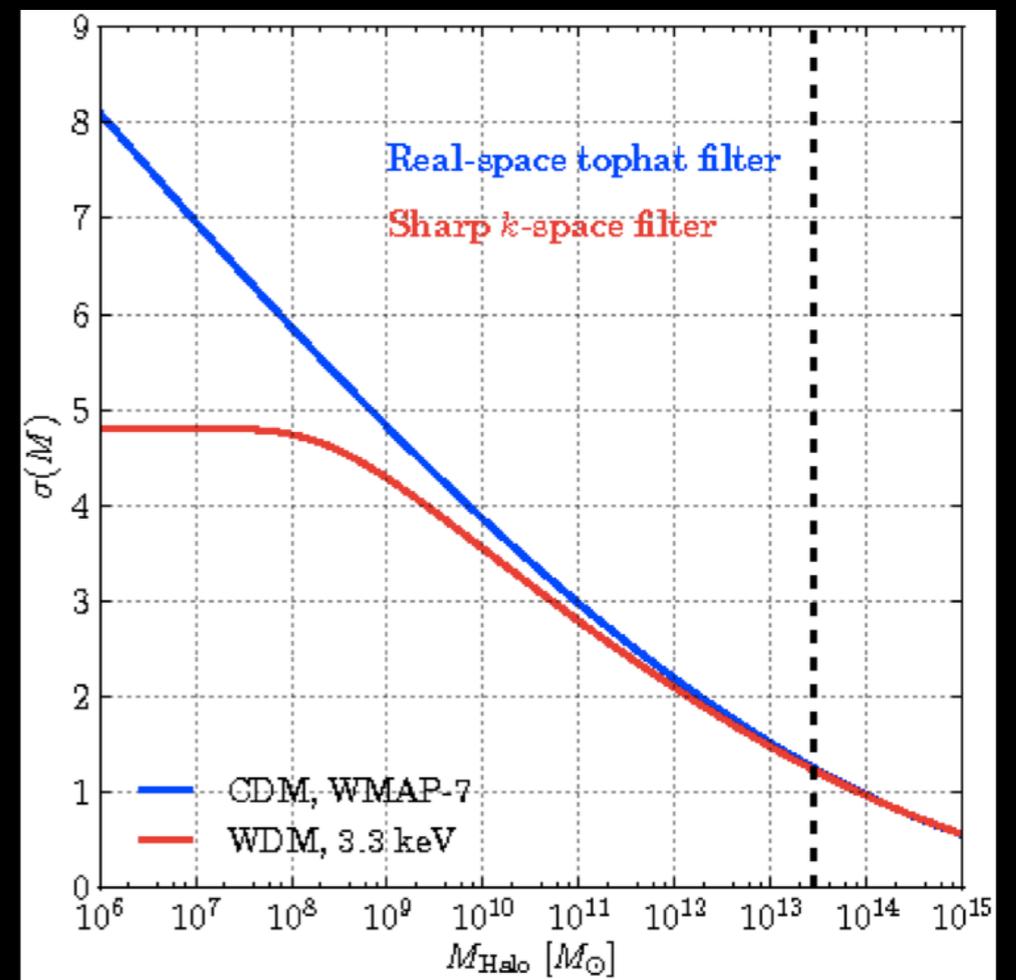
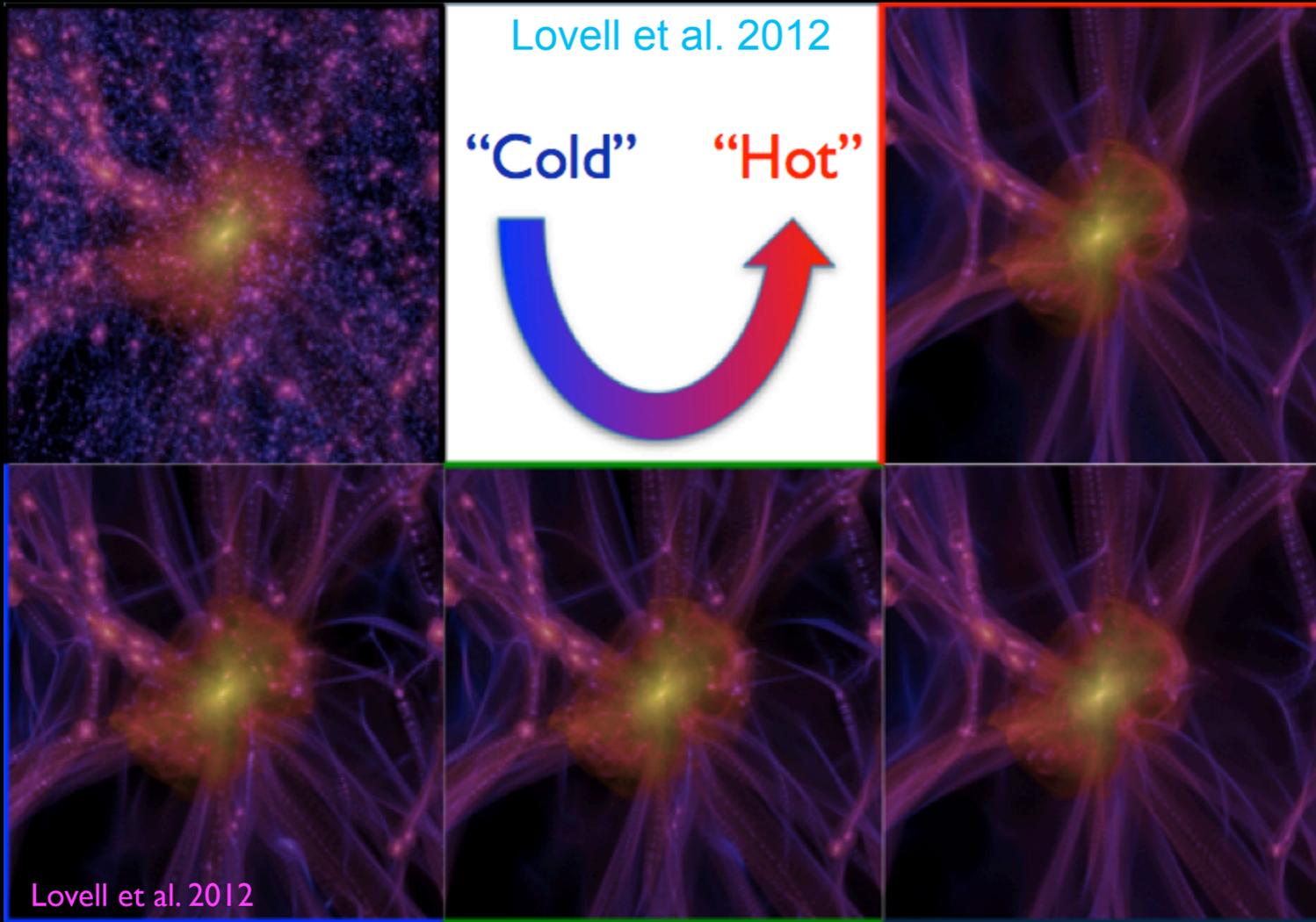
$$r_{fs} = \int_0^t \frac{v(t)}{R(t)} dt$$


$$\sigma_\chi \propto a^{-1} m_\chi^{-1/2}$$

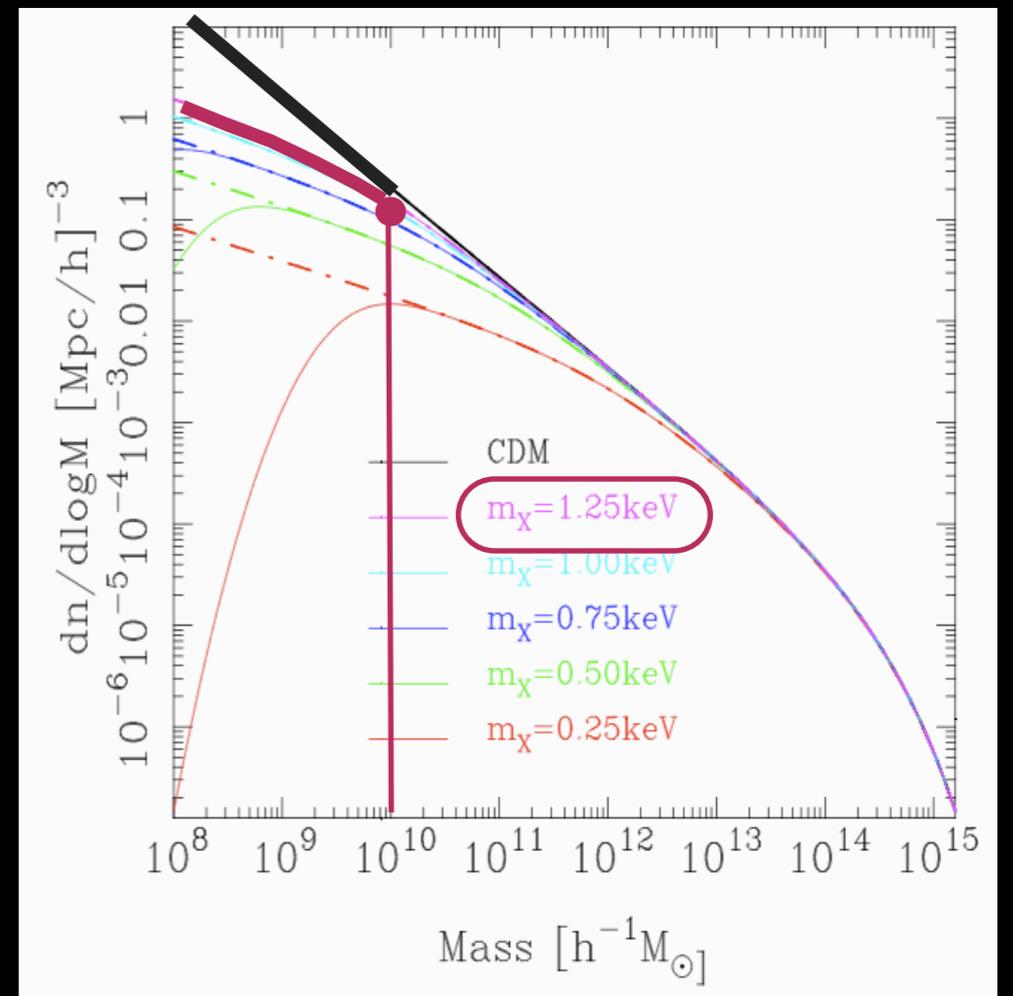
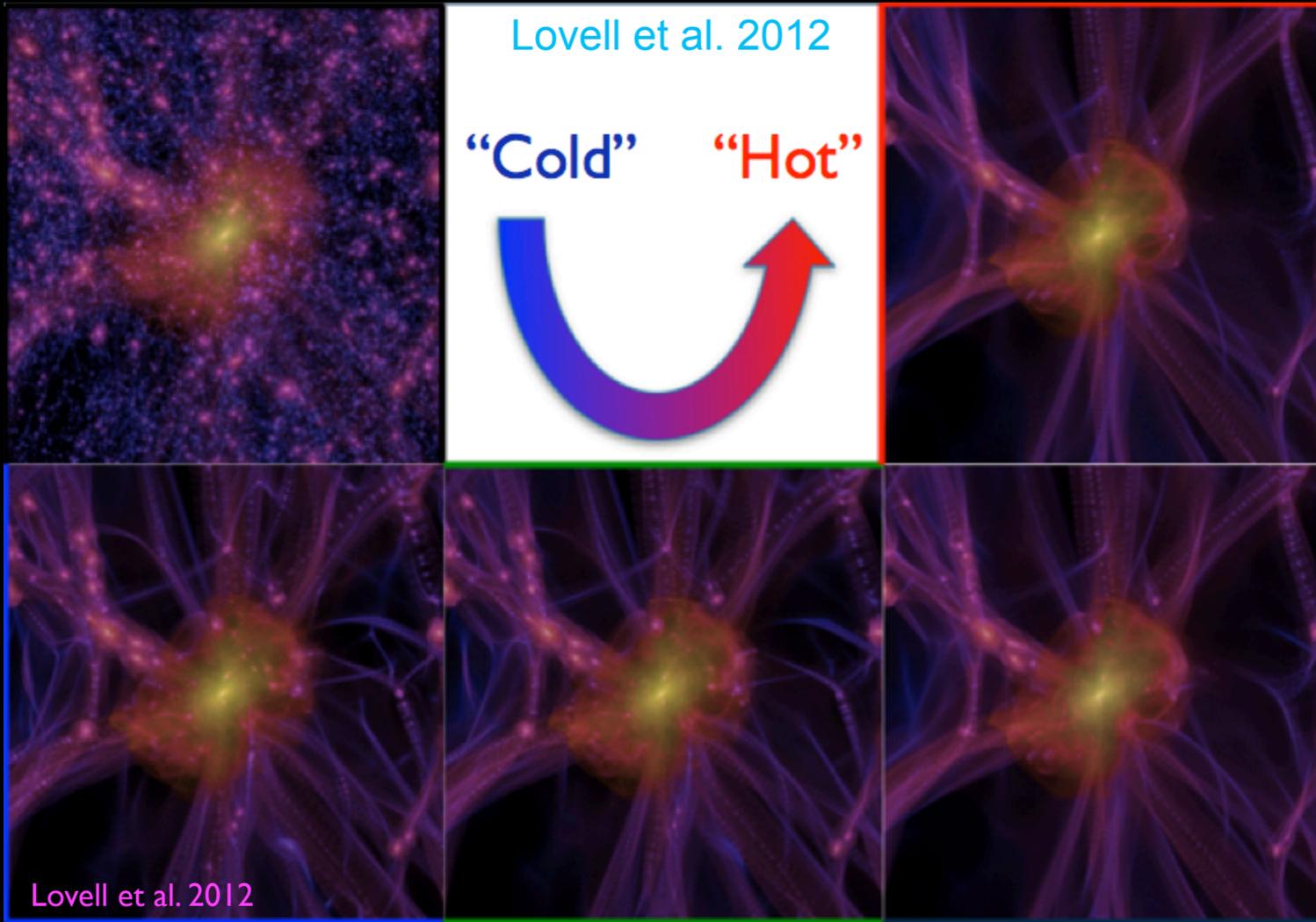
$$M_{fs} = 4 \times 10^{15} \left(\frac{m_\nu}{30 \text{ eV}} \right)^{-2} M_\odot$$


Lighter and faster Dark Matter particles stream out of density perturbations
 CDM: the free streaming length is much smaller than any scale involved in galaxy formation (\ll Mpc)

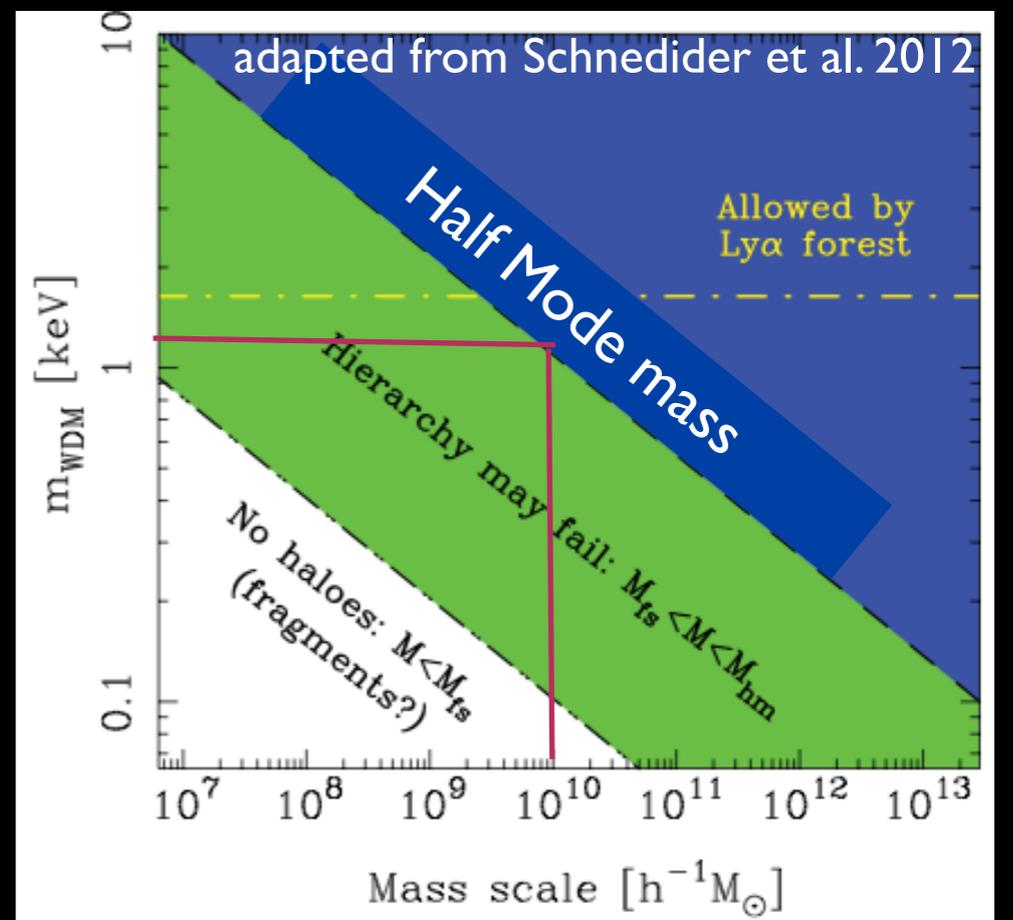
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Compared to CDM, in WDM models the abundance of low-mass structures is suppressed below the half mode mass

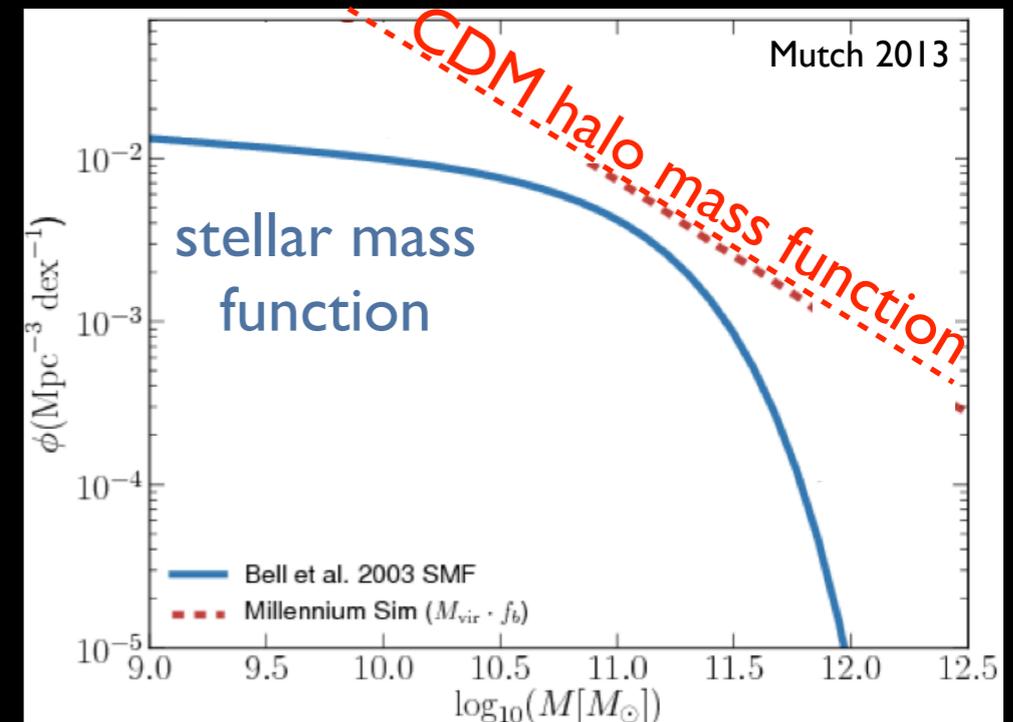
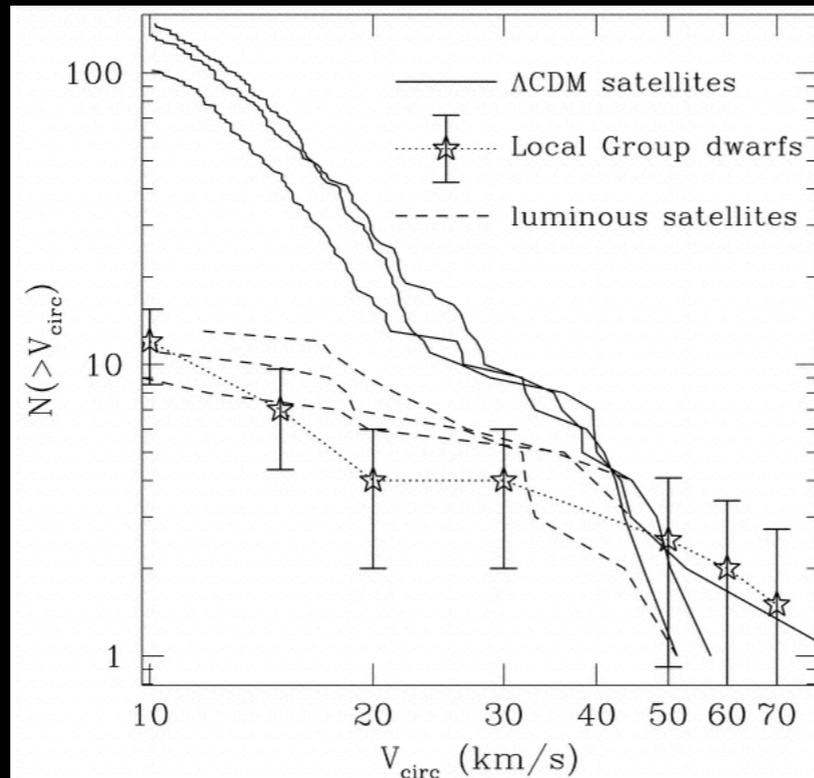
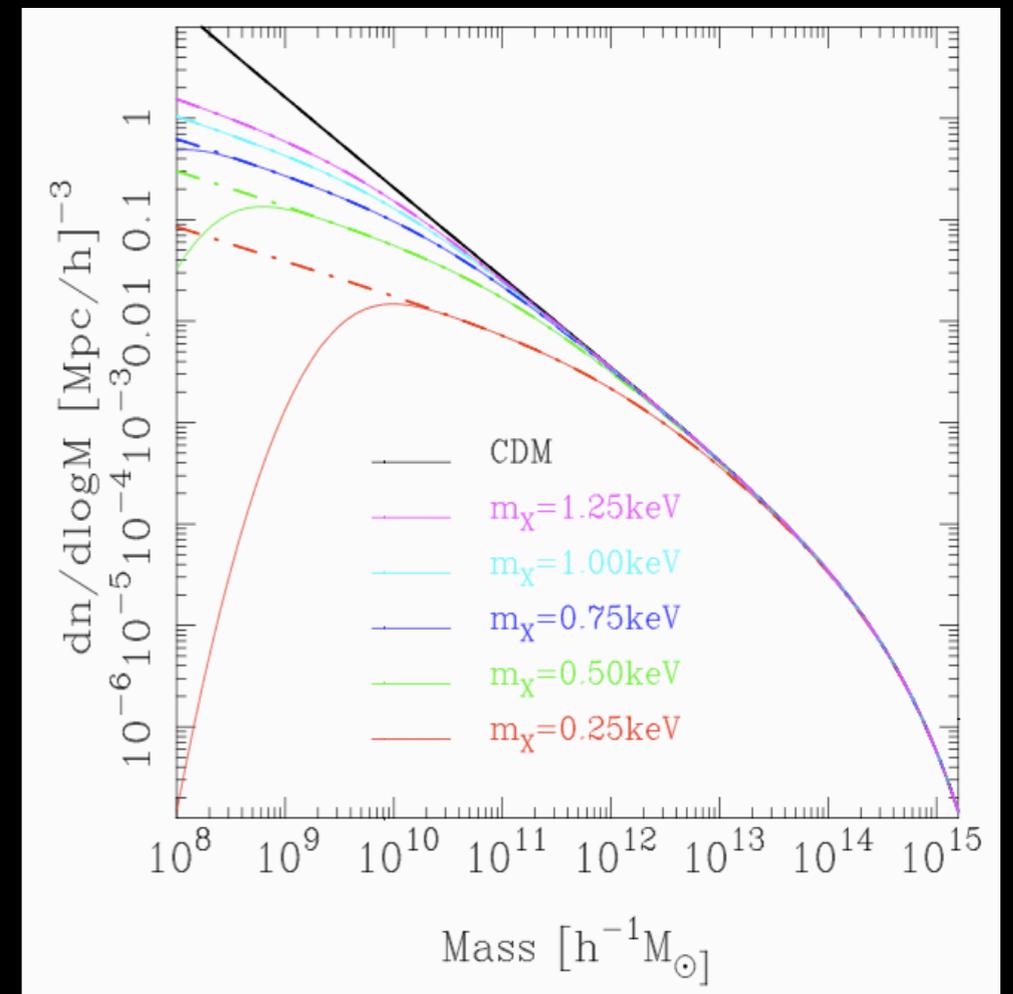


Critical Issues

(concerning structure formation)

Overabundance of low-mass objects

- i) abundance of faint galaxies
- ii) abundance of satellite DM haloes
- iii) density profiles
- iv) the M_*-M_{halo} relation
- v) star formation histories dwarfs



The DM-Feedback Degeneracy

The origin of the problem:

The CDM halo Mass function has a steep slope $N \sim M^{-1.8}$

The Observed Luminosity Function has a flatter slope $N \sim L^{-1.2}$

A Possible Solution:

Suppress luminosity (star formation) in low-mass haloes

$L/M \sim M^\beta$ $\beta = 1-3$

- Enhanced SN feedback

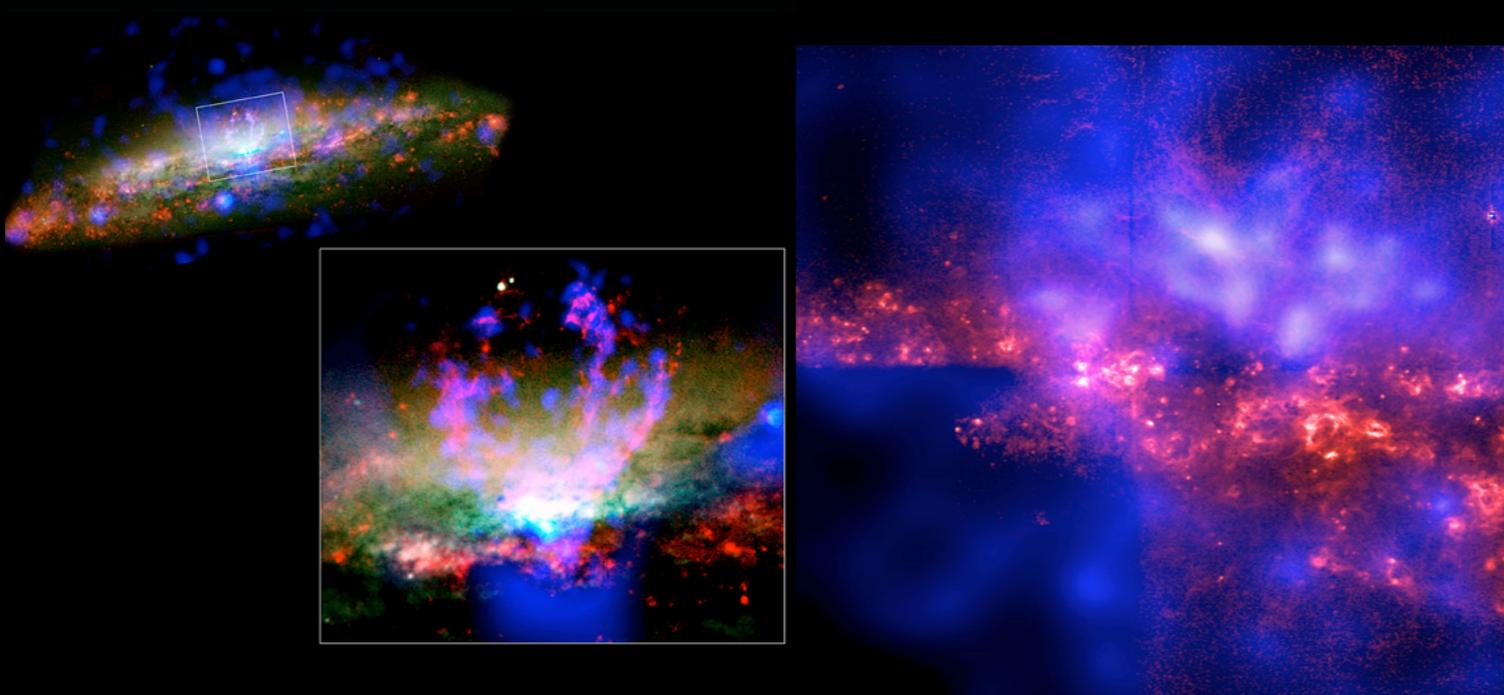
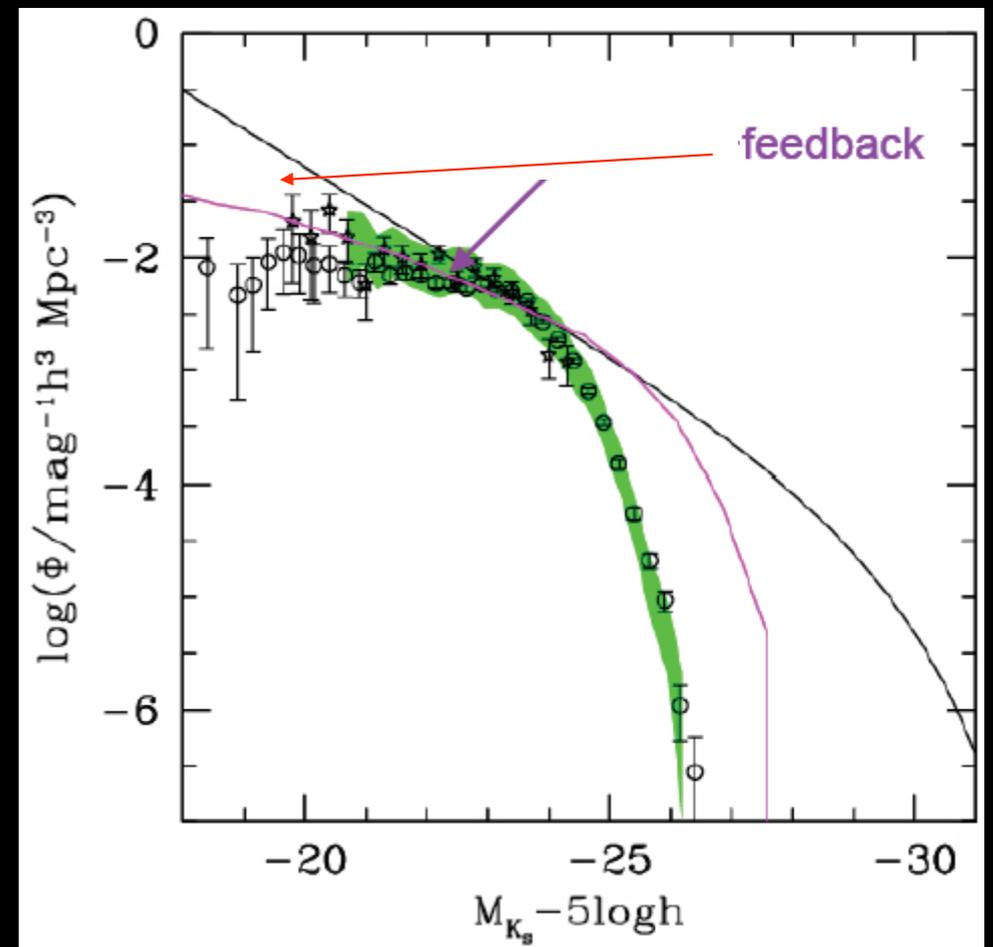
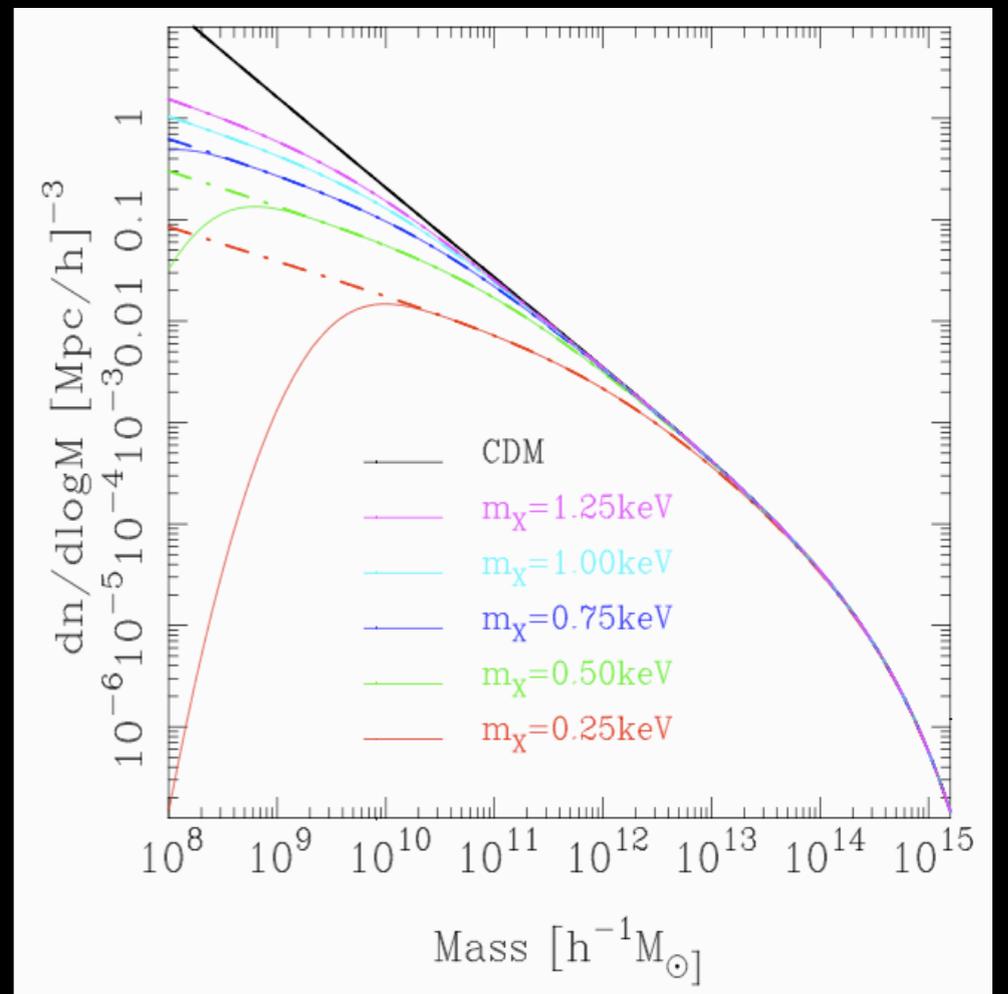
- UV background

Heat - Expell Gas from shallow potential wells

$$E_{SN} \approx 10^{51} \eta_0 \eta_{IMF} \Delta M_* \text{ erg/s}$$

$$v_{SN} = \sqrt{E_{SN}/M_{gas}} \approx 100 \text{ km/s}$$

At $Z=0$ the mass scale at which SN can effectively expell gas from DM potential wells $M_{SN} \sim 10^{10} M_\odot$



Galaxy Formation in a Cosmological Context

relating gas and star formation to the evolution of DM halos

Hydrodynamical N-body simulations

Pros

include hydrodynamics of gas
contain spatial information

Cons

numerically expensive
(limited exploration of parameter space)
requires sub-grid physics

Semi-Analytic Models

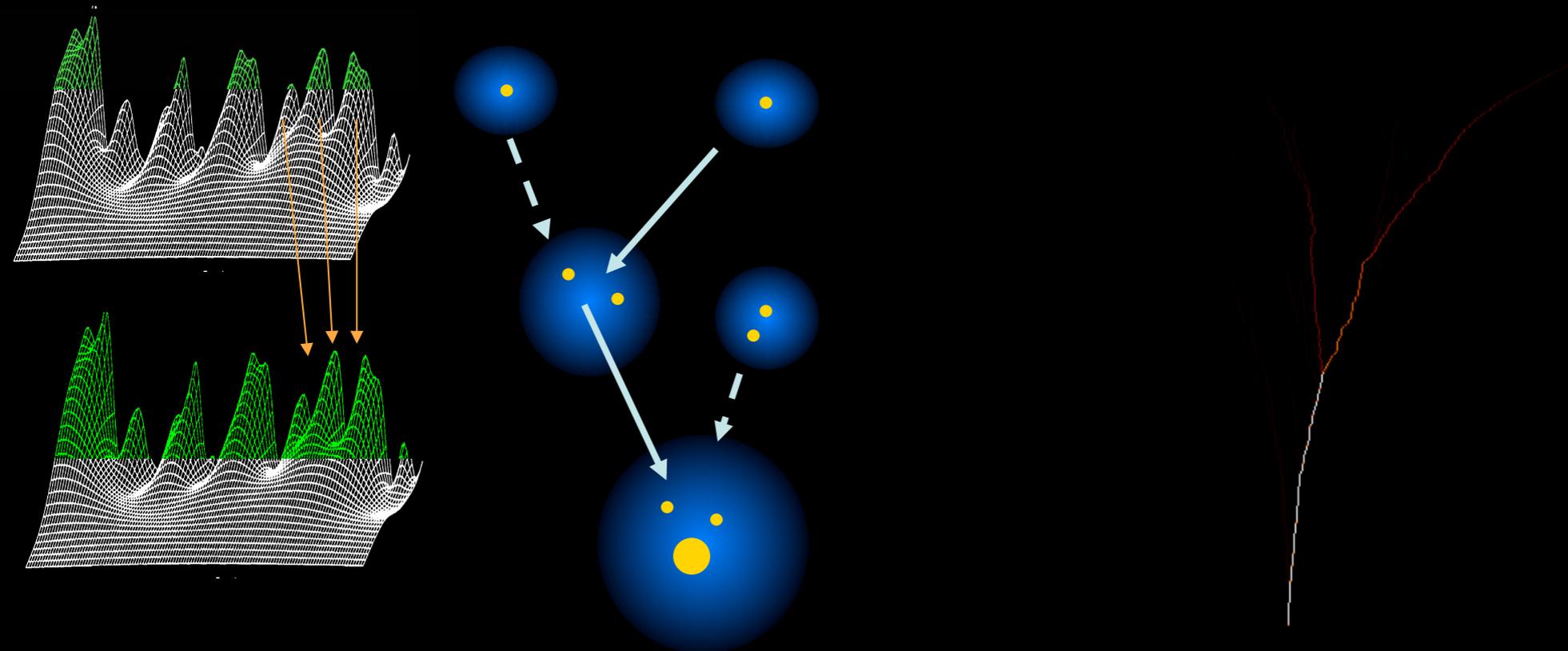
Monte-Carlo realization of collapse and merging histories

Pros

Physics of baryons linked to DM halos
through scaling laws, allows a fast spanning
of parameter space

Cons

Simplified description of gas physics
Do not contain spatial informations



Sub-Halo dynamics:
dynamical friction, binary
aggregation

Halo Properties
Density Profiles
Virial Temperature

Gas Properties
Profiles
Cooling - Heating Processes
Collapse, disk formation

Star Formation Rate

Gas Heating (feedback)
SNaE
UV background

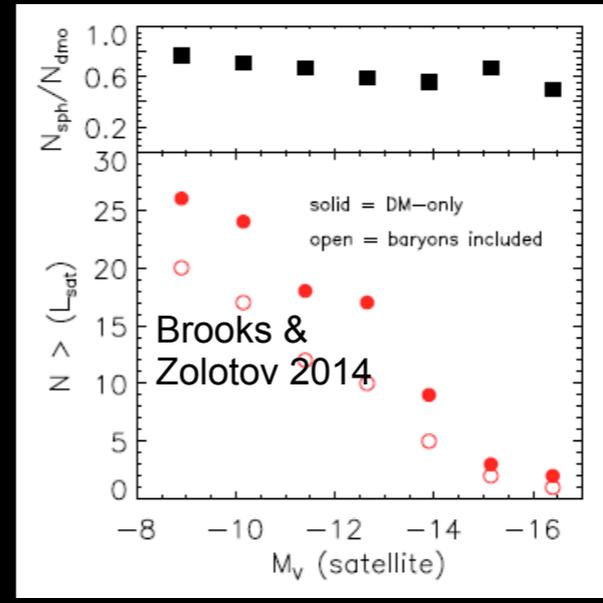
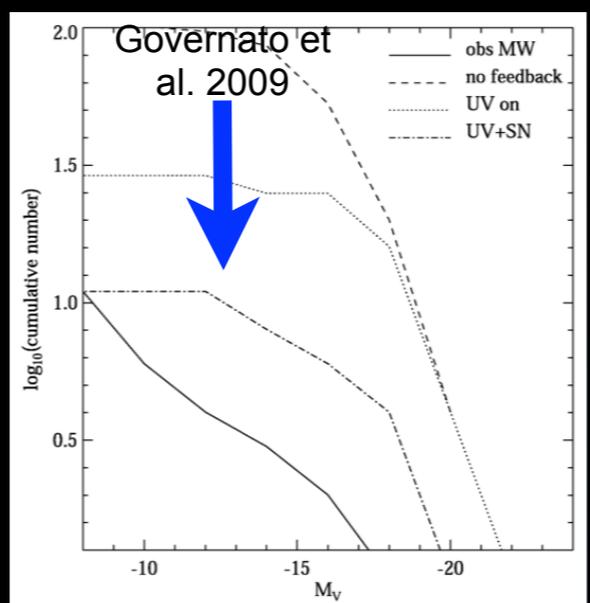
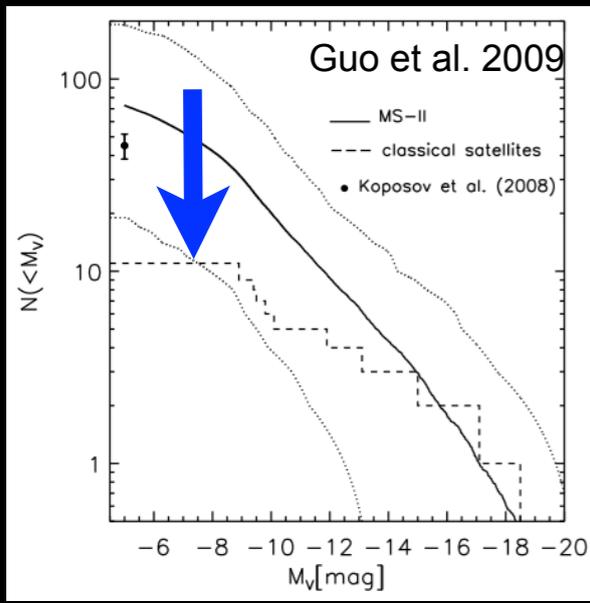
Evolution of stellar populations

Growth of Supermassive BHs
Evolution of AGNs

The DM-Feedback Degeneracy

Solutions from Feedback Processes

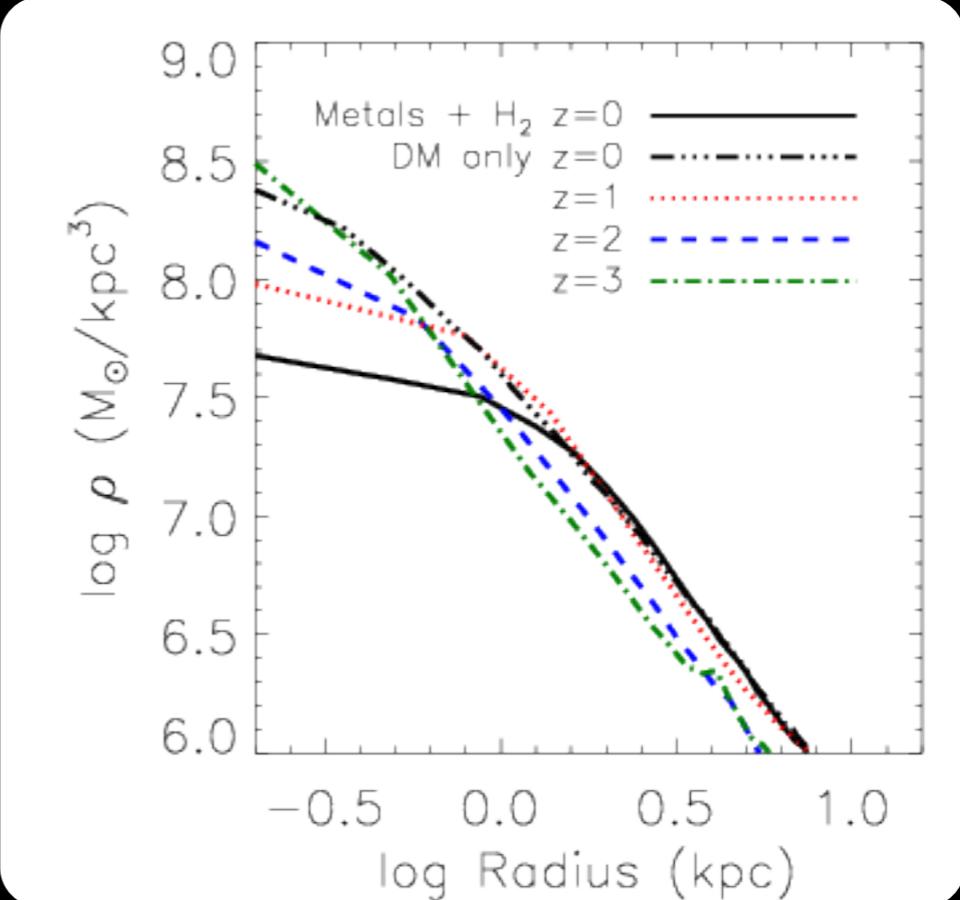
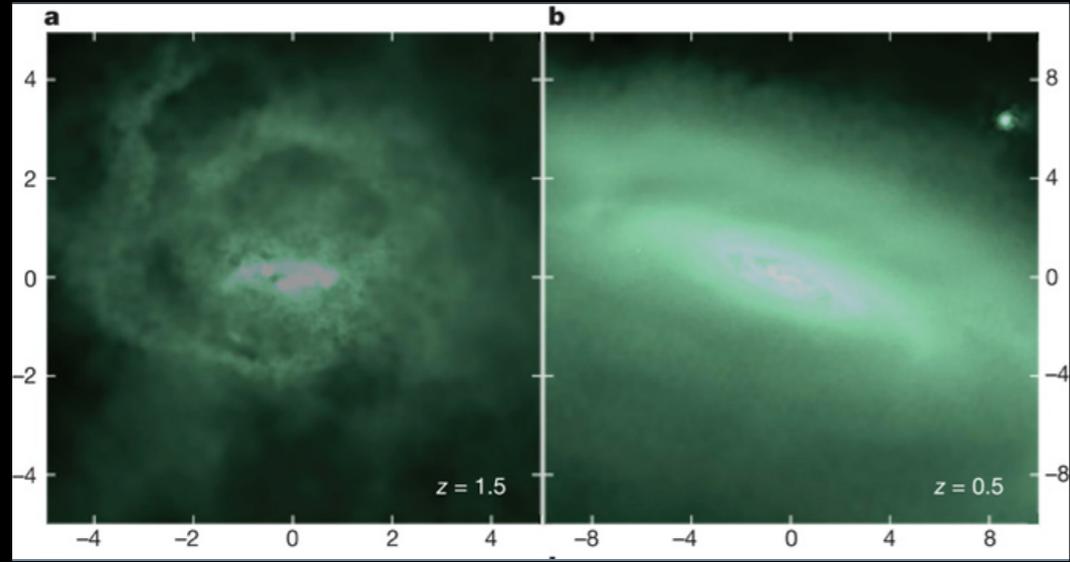
i) the abundance of satellite galaxies



ii) the density profiles

A proposed solution at low redshift

"... The rapid fluctuations caused by episodic feedback progressively pump energy into the DM particle orbits, so that they no longer penetrate to the centre of the halo" (Weinberg et al. 2013, Governato et al. 2012)



Breaking the DM-Feedback Degeneracy

I: Profiles and Abundances of low-mass galaxies at high redshifts

Velocities corresponding to
Supernovae Feedback

$$v_{SN} = \sqrt{E_{SN}/M_{gas}} \approx 100 \text{ km/s}$$

$$M \approx (v_{esc}^2/G) r$$

$$r \propto (M/\rho)^{1/3}$$

$$\rho = 180 \rho_u = 180 \rho_u (1+z)^3$$

$$A \equiv \sqrt{3/G^3 4\pi \rho_u}$$

$$M \approx A v_{esc}^3 (1+z)^{-3/2}$$

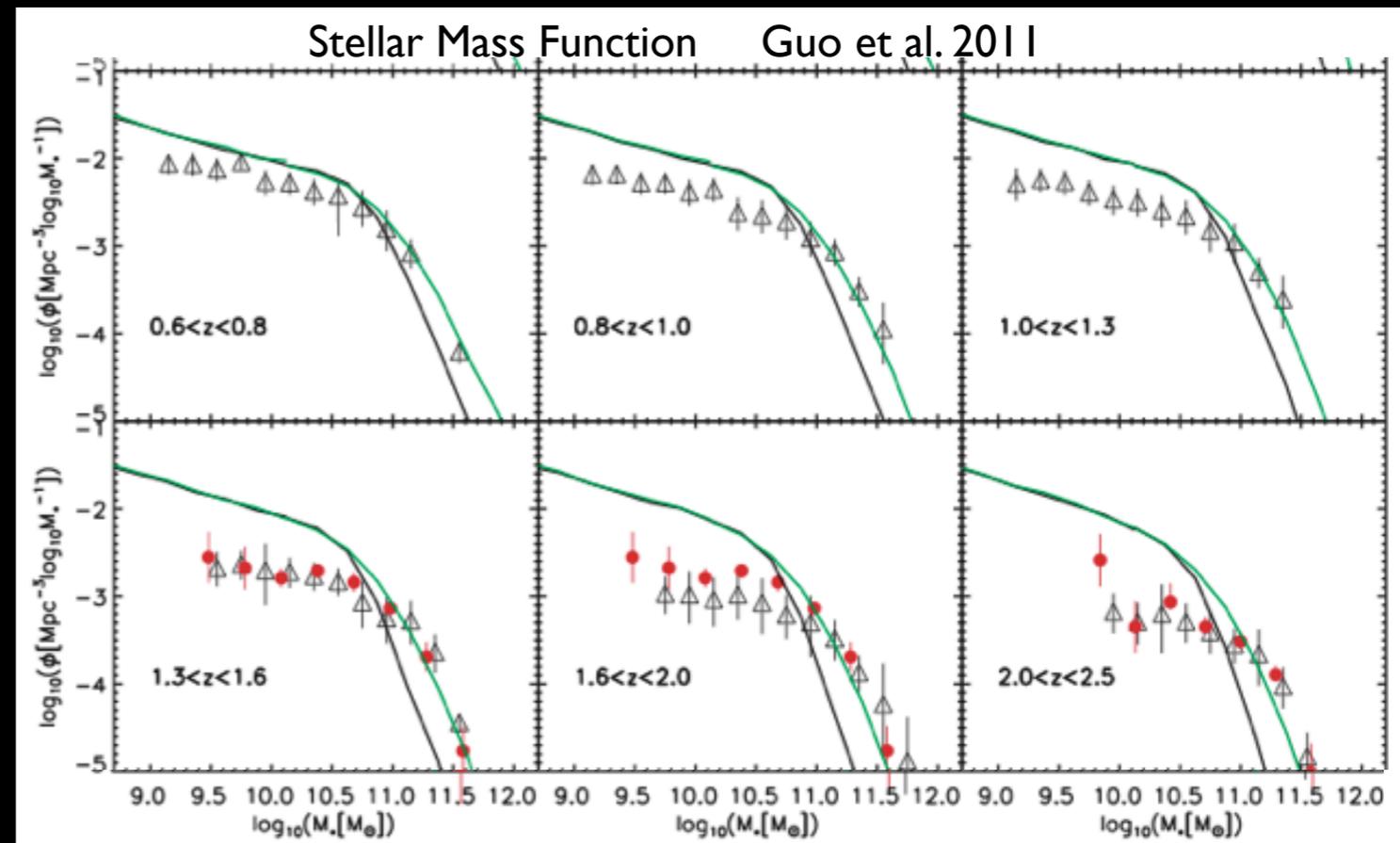
$$v_{esc} = v_{SN}$$

Mass scale at which SN can effectively expel gas
from DM halo decreases with redshift

$$M_{SN} \approx 10^{10} M_{\odot} (1+z)^{-3/2}$$

At high- z

larger densities imply larger escape velocity
even for low-mass galaxies:
feedback increasingly ineffective



Breaking the DM-Feedback Degeneracy

II: The L/M ratio of low-mass galaxies

Enhancing the feedback results into inefficient star formation for given DM halo (suppress L/M).

This seems at variance with observed $M_{\text{star}}-M$ relation

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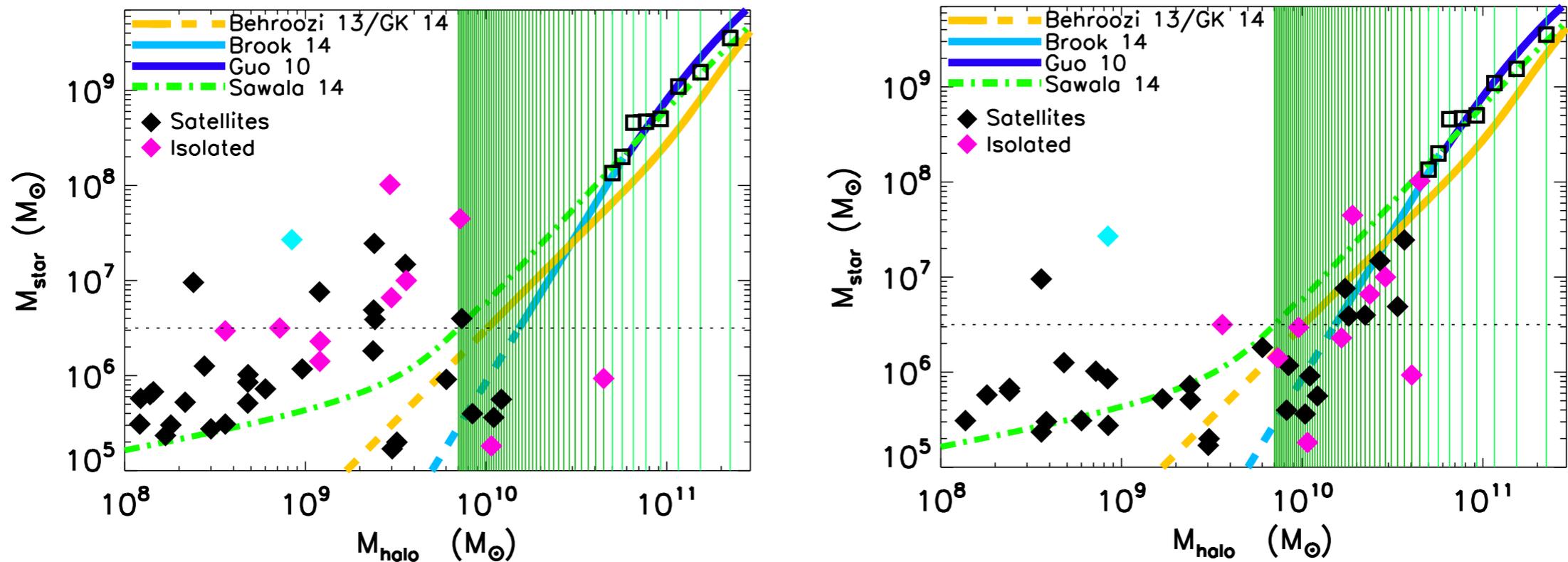


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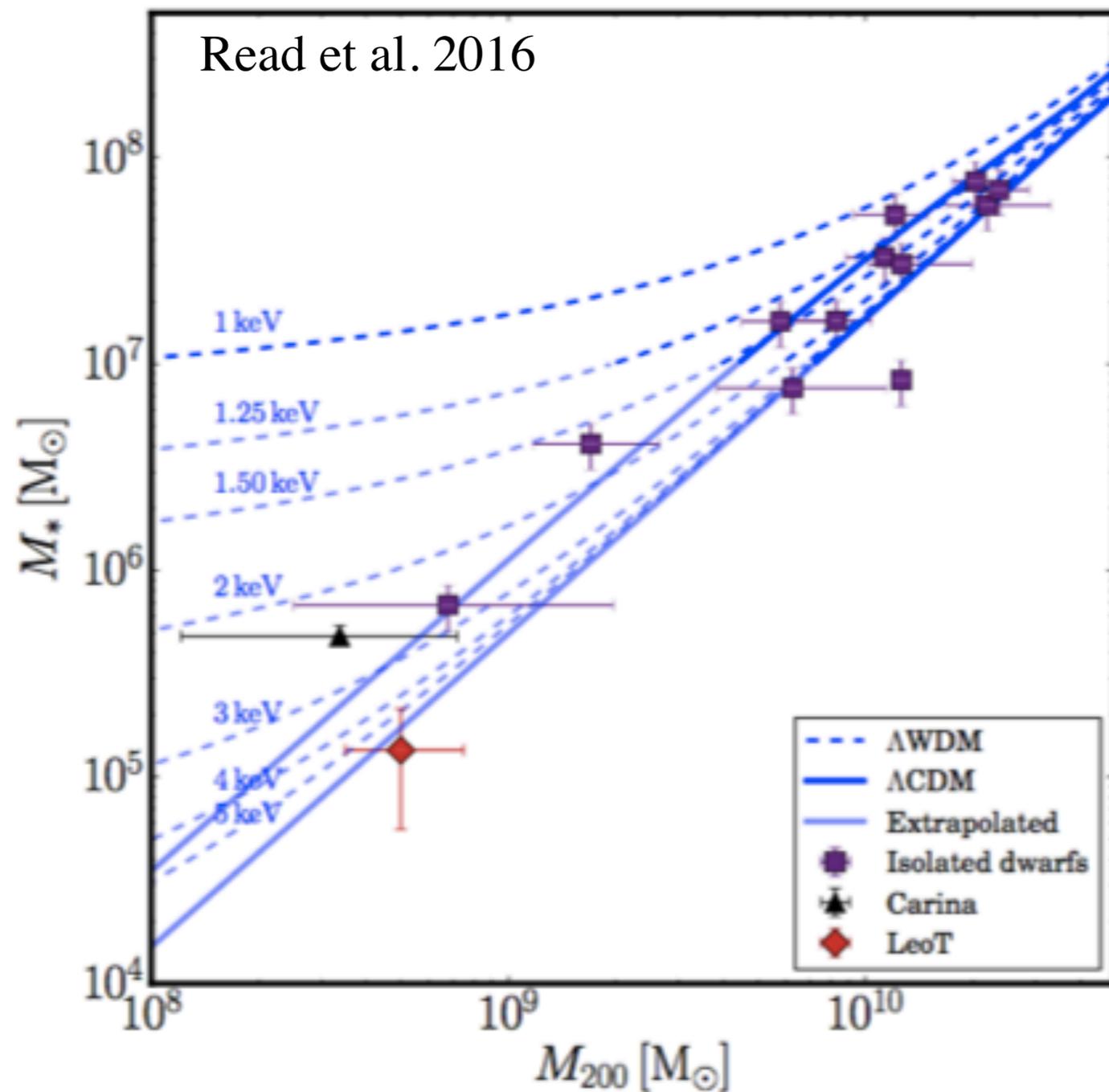
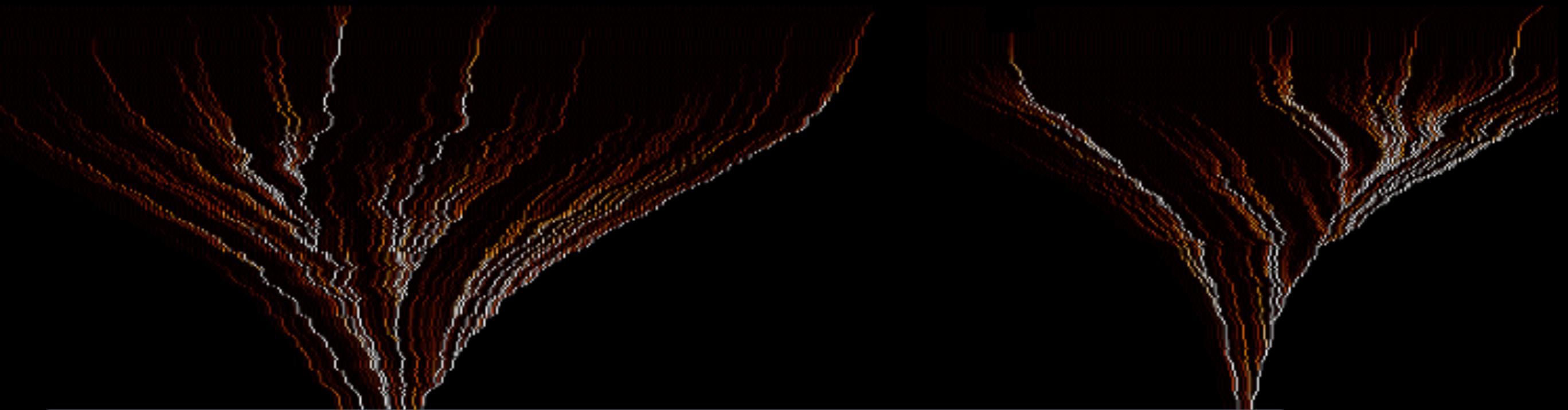


Figure 3. $M_* - M_{200}|_{\text{rot}}$ (purple data points) as compared to $M_* - M_{200}|_{\text{abund}}$ in Λ CDM (blue solid lines) and Λ WDM (blue dashed lines), using the SDSS field stellar mass function. The thermal relic mass m_{WDM} is marked on the curves in keV. The lines and symbols are as in Figure 2.

Implementing WDM power spectrum in the galaxy formation model



Halo Properties

Density Profiles

Virial Temperature

Gas Properties

Profiles

Cooling - Heating

Collapse

Disk formation

Star Formation

Gas Heating (feedback)

SNaE

UV background

Evolution of stellar

populations

WDM

Galaxy formation in WDM implies computing how modifications of the power spectrum propagate to the above processes

$$r_{fs} \approx 0.2 \left[\frac{\Omega_X h^2}{0.15} \right]^{1/3} \left[\frac{m_X}{rmkeV} \right]^{-4/3} \text{ Mpc} \quad \frac{P_{WDM}(k)}{P_{CDM}(k)} = \left[1 + (\alpha k)^{2\mu} \right]^{-5\mu}$$

$$\alpha = 0.049 \left[\frac{\Omega_X}{0.25} \right]^{0.11} \left[\frac{m_X}{keV} \right]^{-1.11} \left[\frac{h}{0.7} \right]^{1.22} h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$$

From Thermal Relics to Sterile Neutrinos

Suppression with respect to CDM

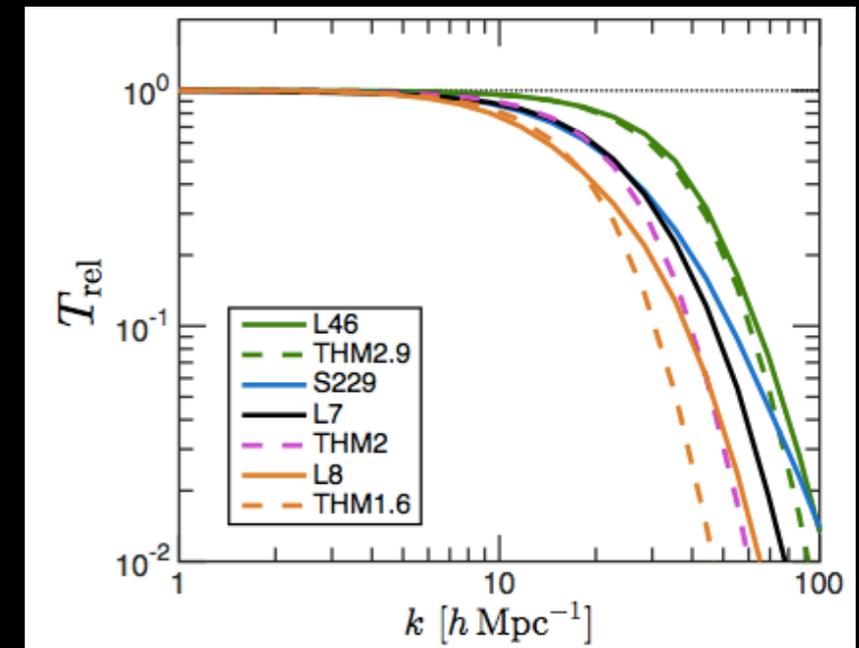
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A similar cutoff can be achieved through WDM sterile neutrinos assuming different production mechanisms

correspondence between thermal relic mass m_χ and sterile neutrino mass m_ν (yielding the same power spectrum) depends on the assumed production mechanism

E.g. for the Shi-Fuller mechanism $m_\nu \approx 2.5 m_\chi$

In the following we shall show the results in terms of the equivalent thermal relic mass



Bozek et al. 2015

Sterile Neutrinos

are produced in primordial plasma through

- off-resonance oscillations. [Dodelson, Widrow; Abazajian, Fuller; Dolgov, Hansen; Asaka, Laine, Shaposhnikov et al.](#)
- oscillations on resonance in presence of lepton asymmetry. [Shi Fuller](#)
- production mechanisms which do not involve oscillations
 - inflaton decays directly into sterile neutrinos [Shaposhnikov, Tkachev](#)
 - Higgs physics: both mass and production [Petraki](#)
 - decays of scalars in the early Universe [Merle & Totzauer](#)

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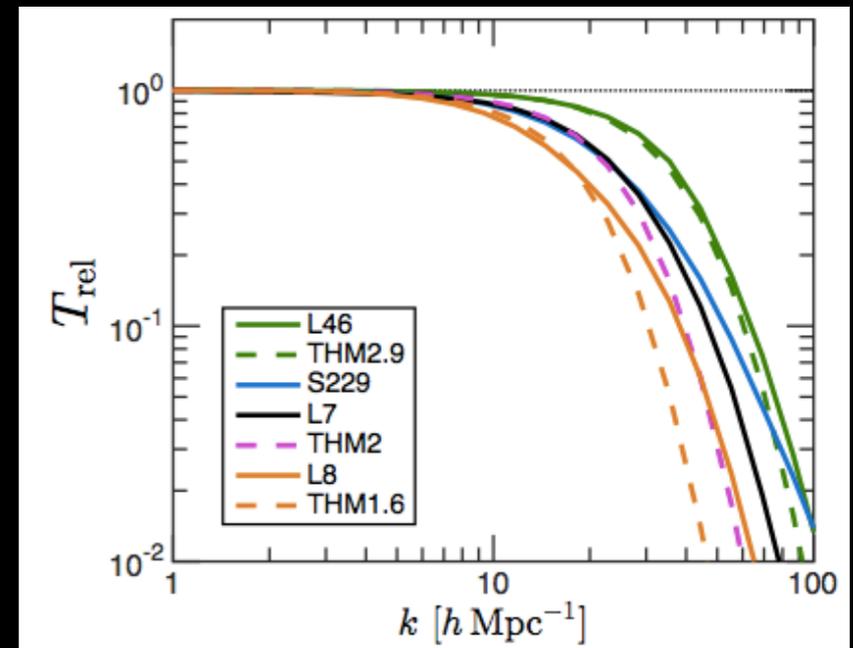
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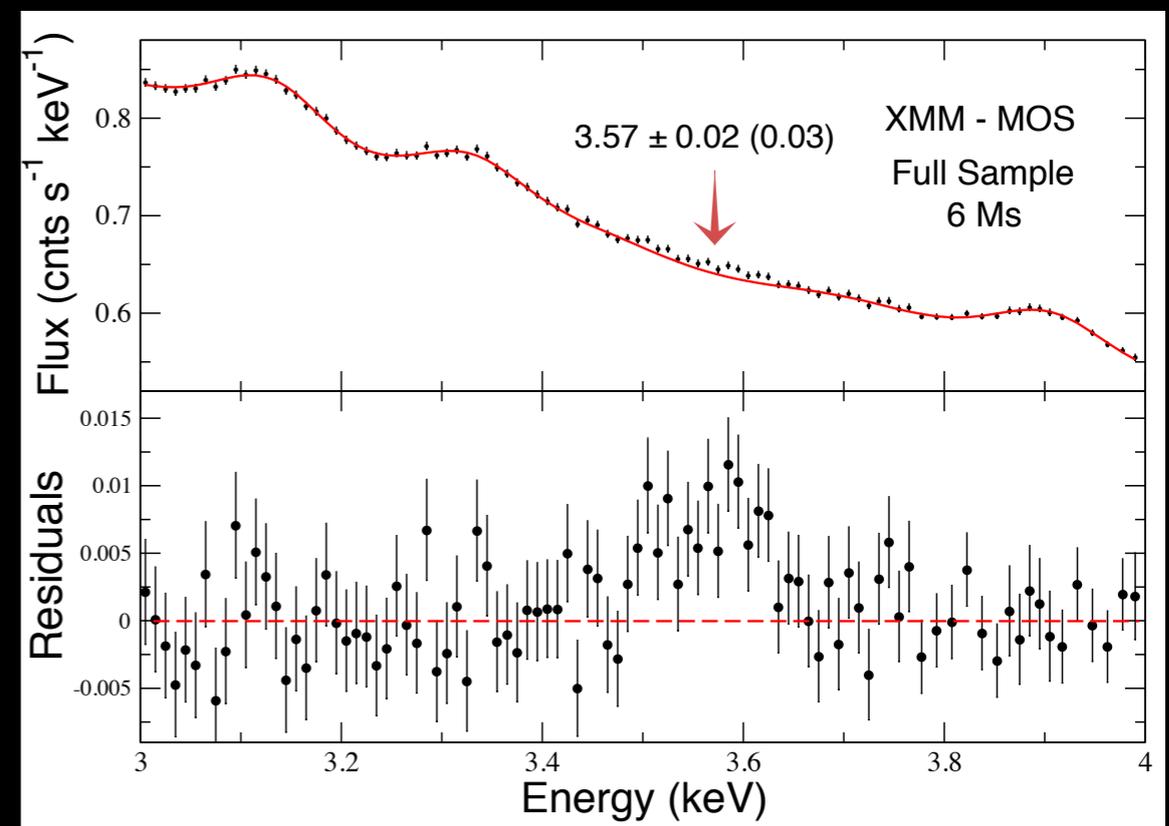
Stacked XMM spectra (MOS and PN) of 73 bright galaxy clusters, blue-shifted to the same cluster rest frame

Searched for any unidentified emission lines in 2–10 keV band

Detected a very weak line at $E = 3.55\text{--}3.57$ keV rest-frame energy: IF due to WDM corresponds to the decay of

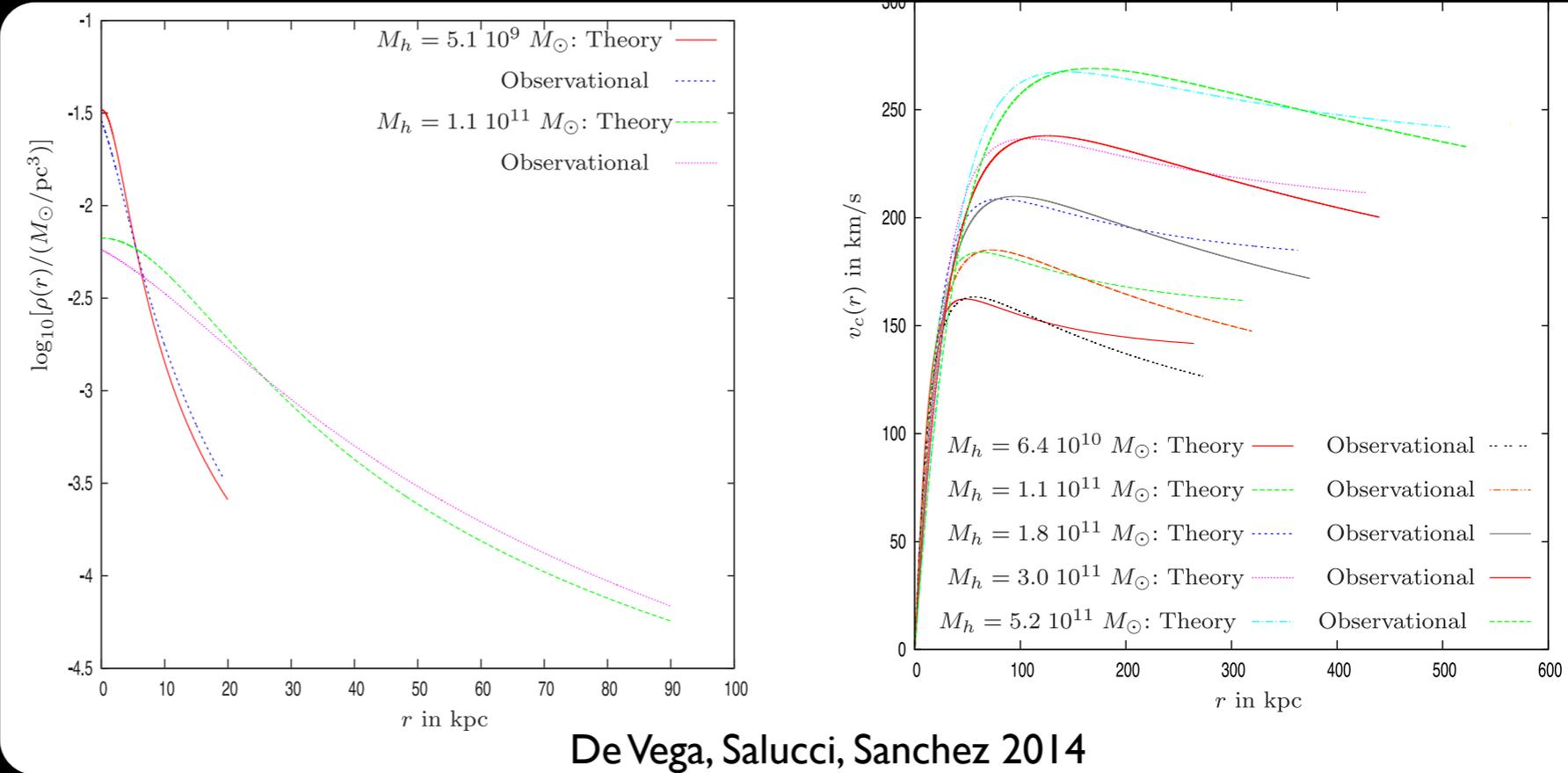
$m_\nu \approx 7$ keV $\rightarrow m_\chi \approx 2.5$ keV

X-ray line reported in stacked observations of X-ray clusters with the XMM-Newton X-ray Space telescope with both CCD instruments aboard the telescope, and the Perseus cluster with the Chandra X-ray Space Telescope (Bulbul et al. 2014; independent indications of a consistent line in XMM-Newton observations of M31 and the Perseus Cluster is reported in Boyarsky et al. 2014)

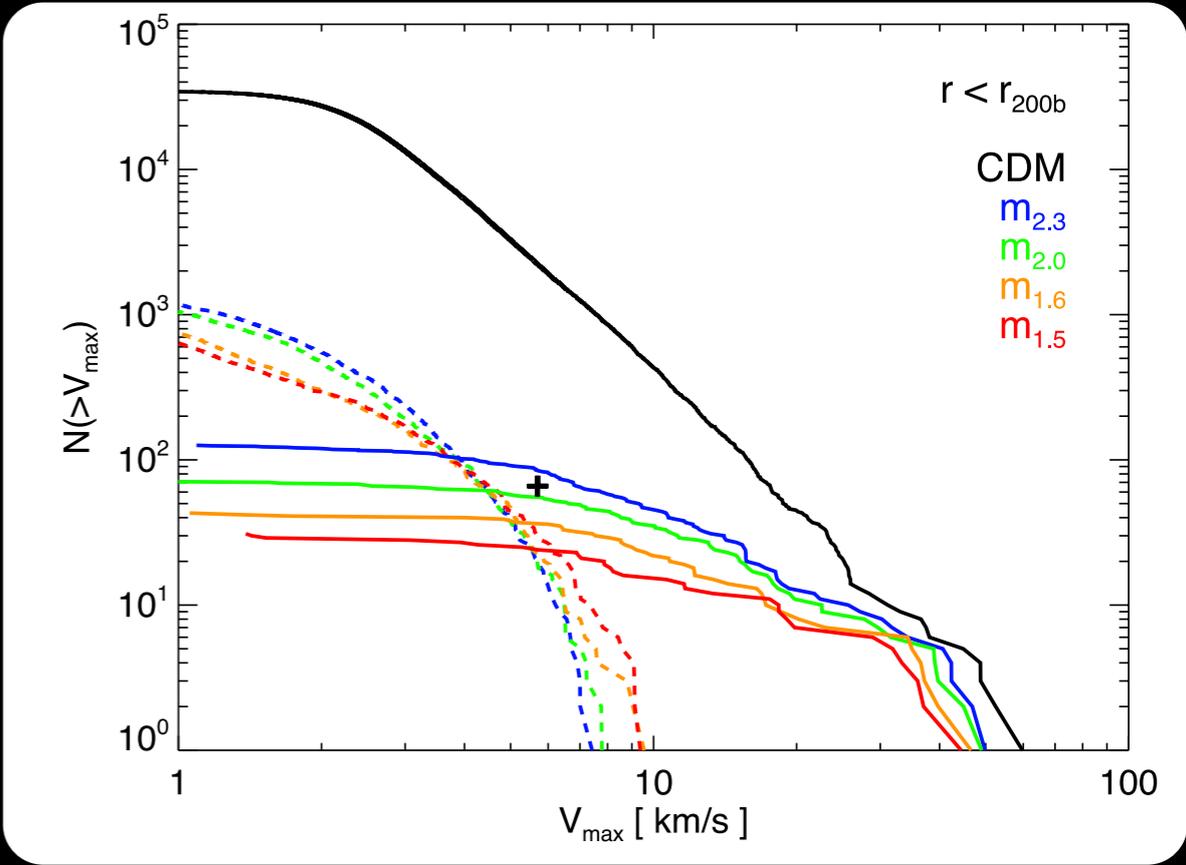
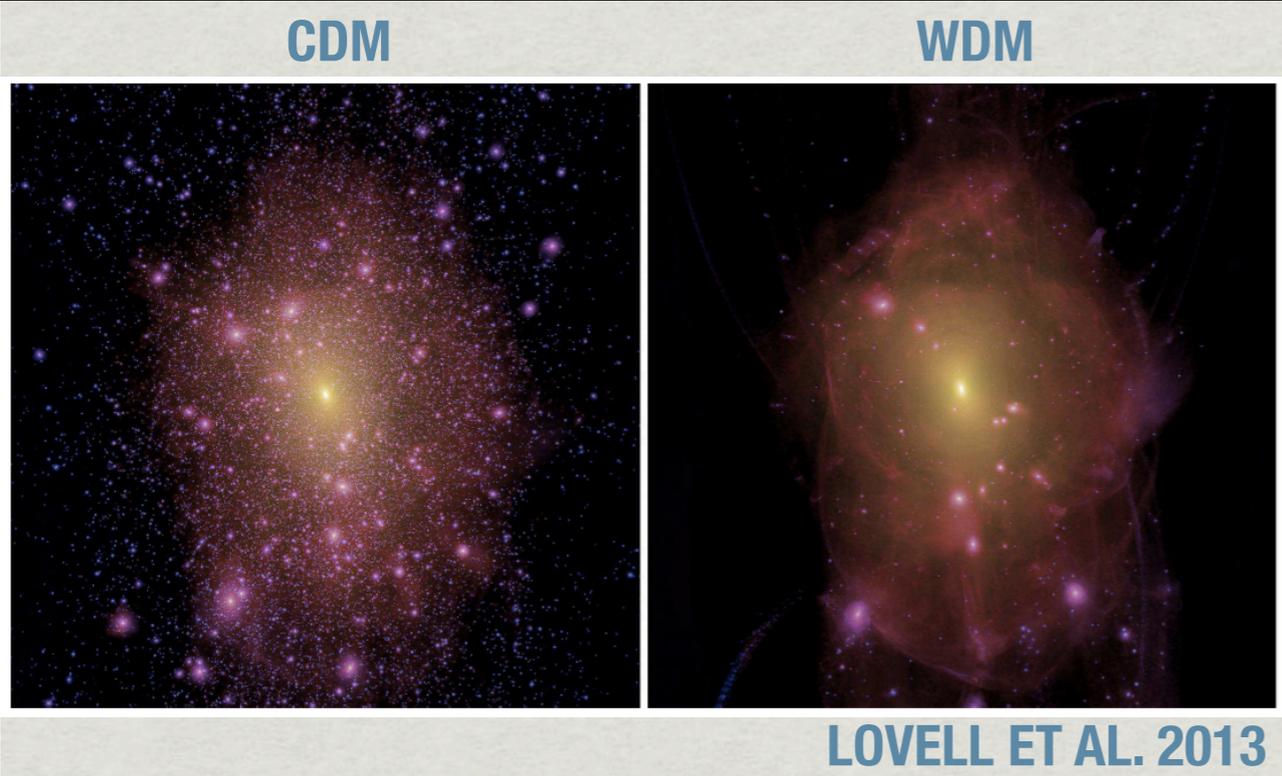


WDM models with $m_\chi=1-4$ can provide a solution to

Density profiles & Rotation curves in WDM



Abundance of low-mass satellites

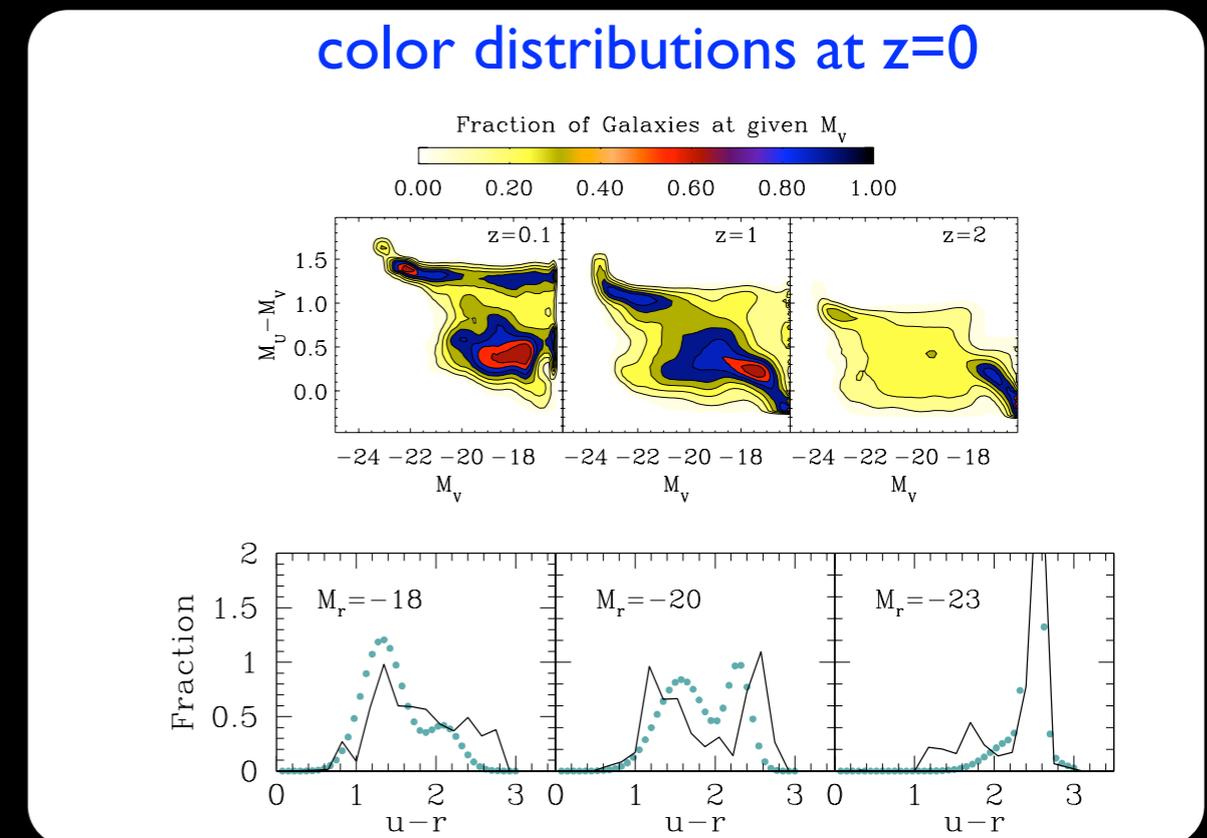
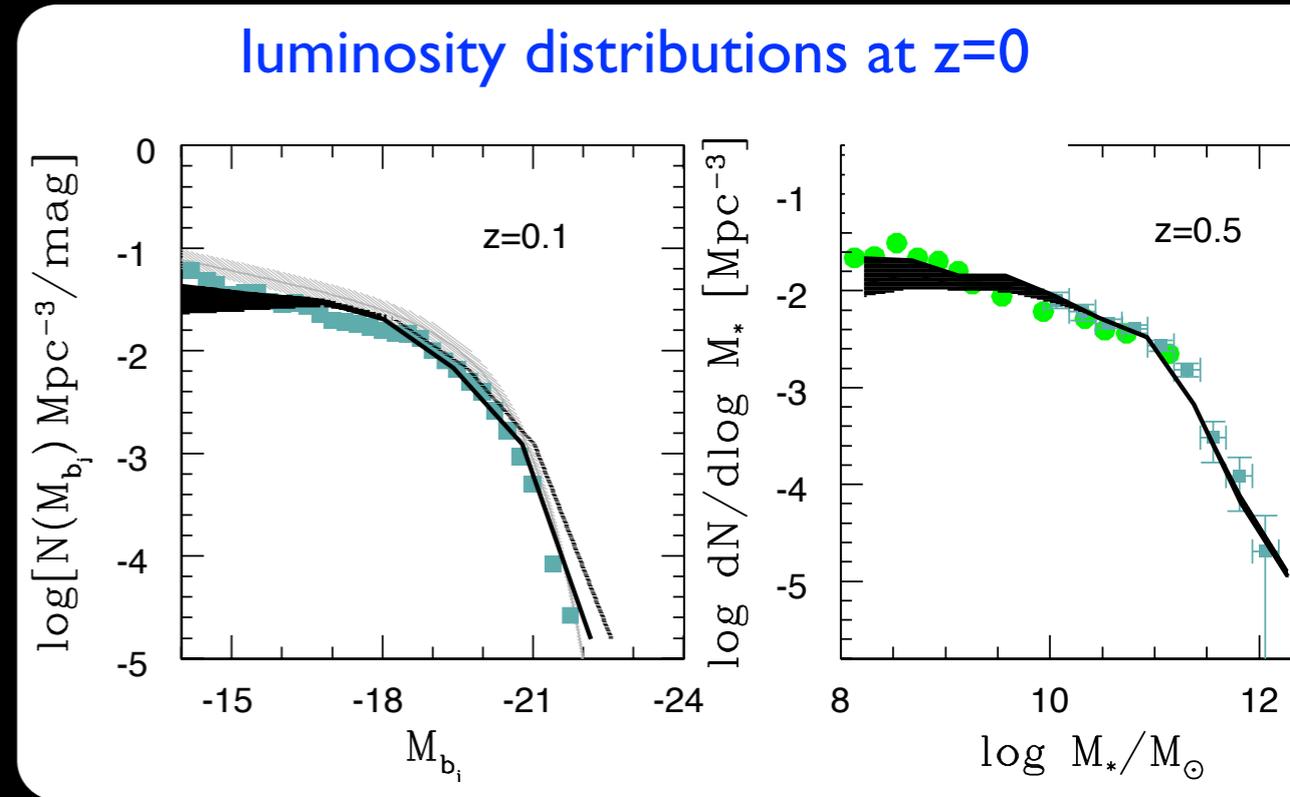
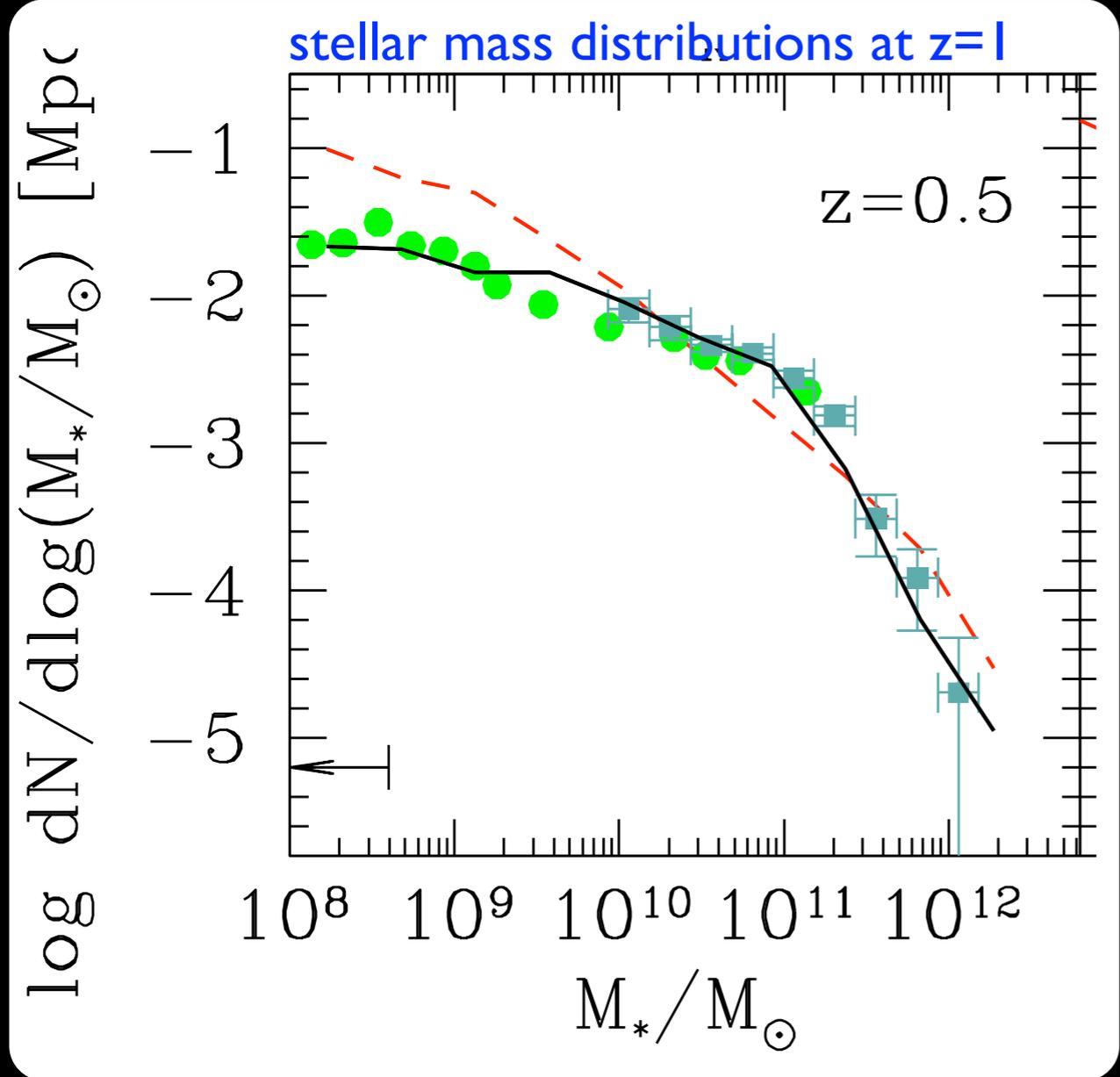


WDM models with $m_\chi=1-4$ constitutes a viable framework for galaxy formation

NM+2012

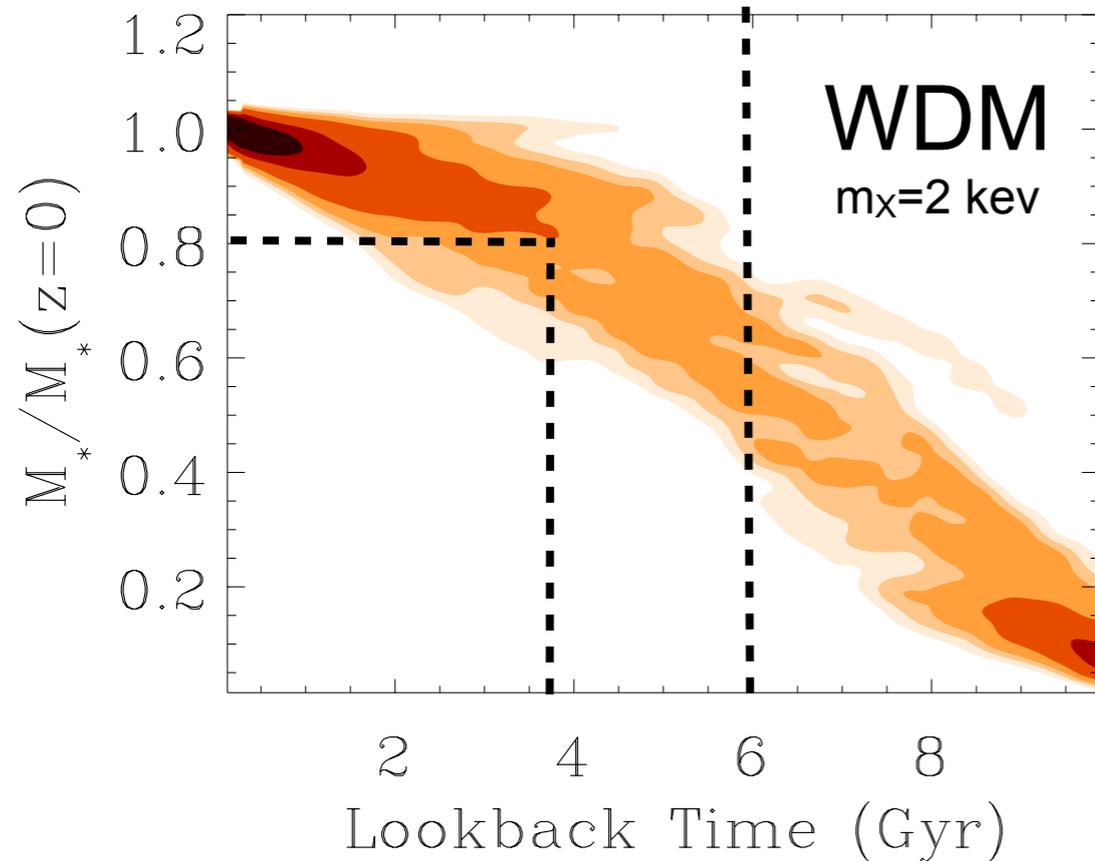
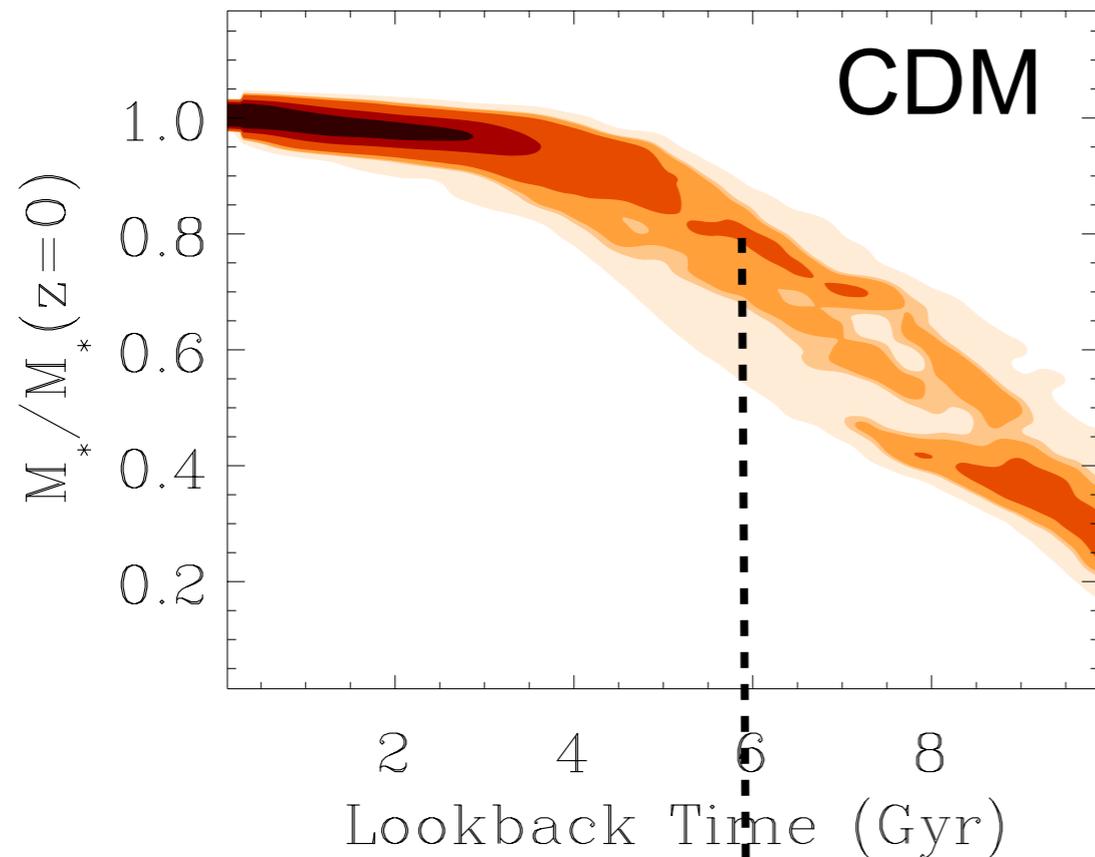
Are being investigated by several groups

Maccio et al. 2012, Benson et al. 2013,
 Dayal, Mesinger, Pacucci 2014, Herpich et al. 2014,
 Governato et al. 2014, Kennedy et al. 2015
 Bose et al. 2016, Chau, Mayer, Governato 2016



SOME PROPERTIES OF WDM GALAXY FORMATION

A Delayed Growth of Stellar Mass in WDM galaxy formation

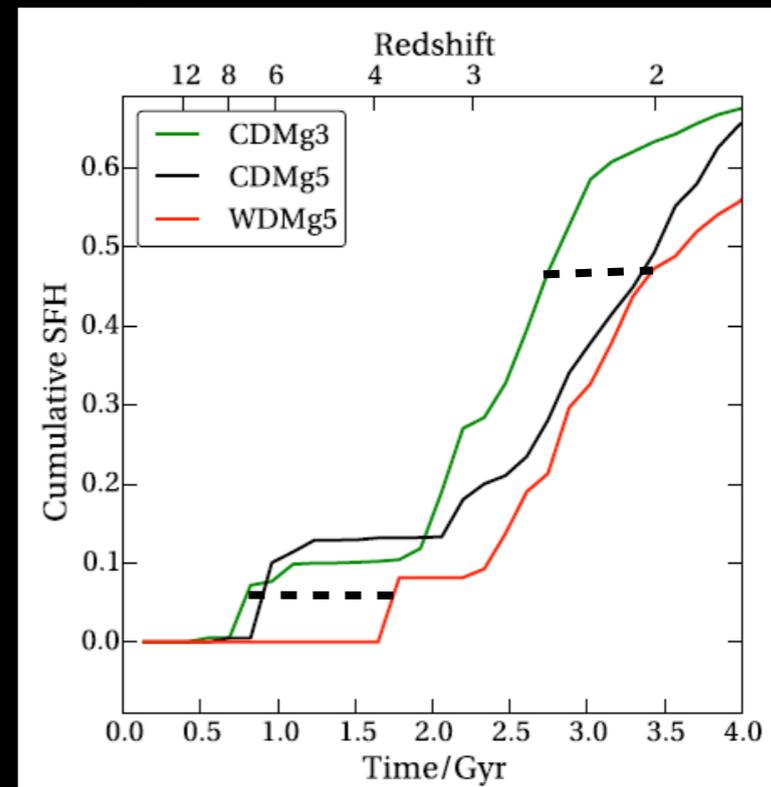


The suppression of progenitors of satellite galaxies with high SFR yields
Slower growth of stellar mass in WDM

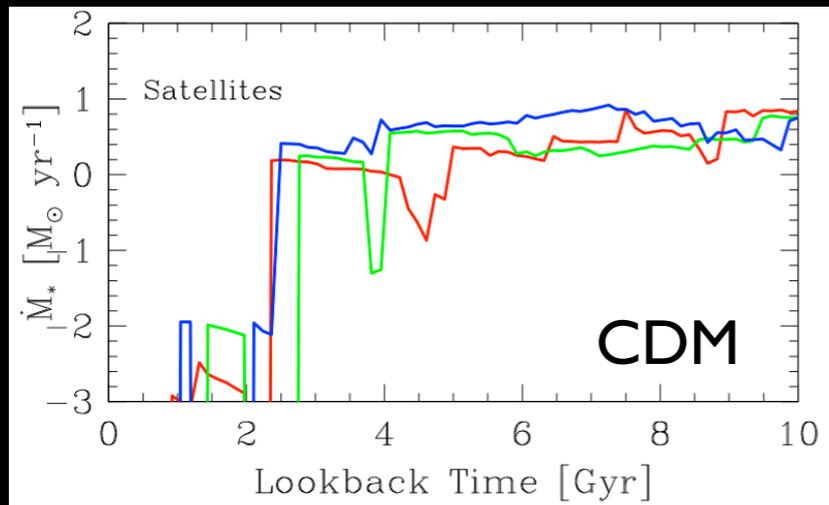
CDM: 80 % of mass formed 6 Gyr ago
WDM: 80 % of mass formed 4 Gyr ago

Approx. delay ~ 2 Gyr

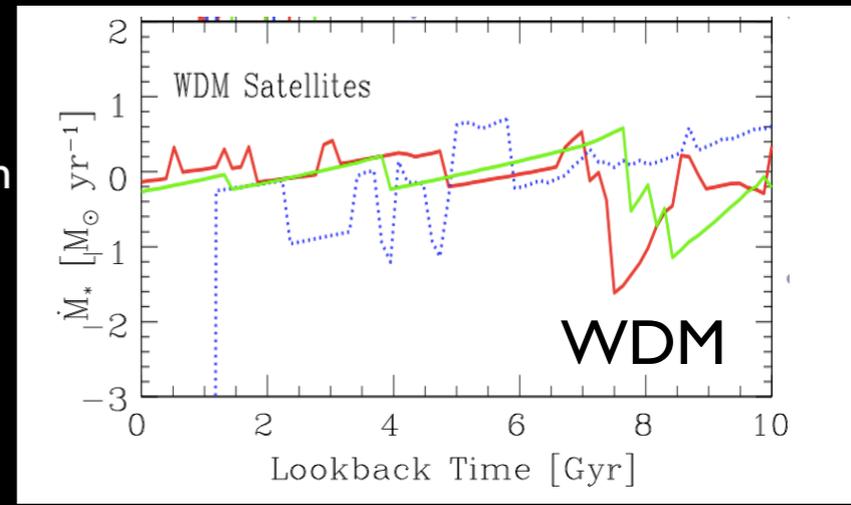
Independent works based on hydro-Nbody simulations confirm such a result (Governato et al. 2014); see also A. Fialkov's talk



THE FRACTION OF QUIESCENT SATELLITE GALAXIES



WDM delayed growth of stellar mass results into larger star formation at low redshifts

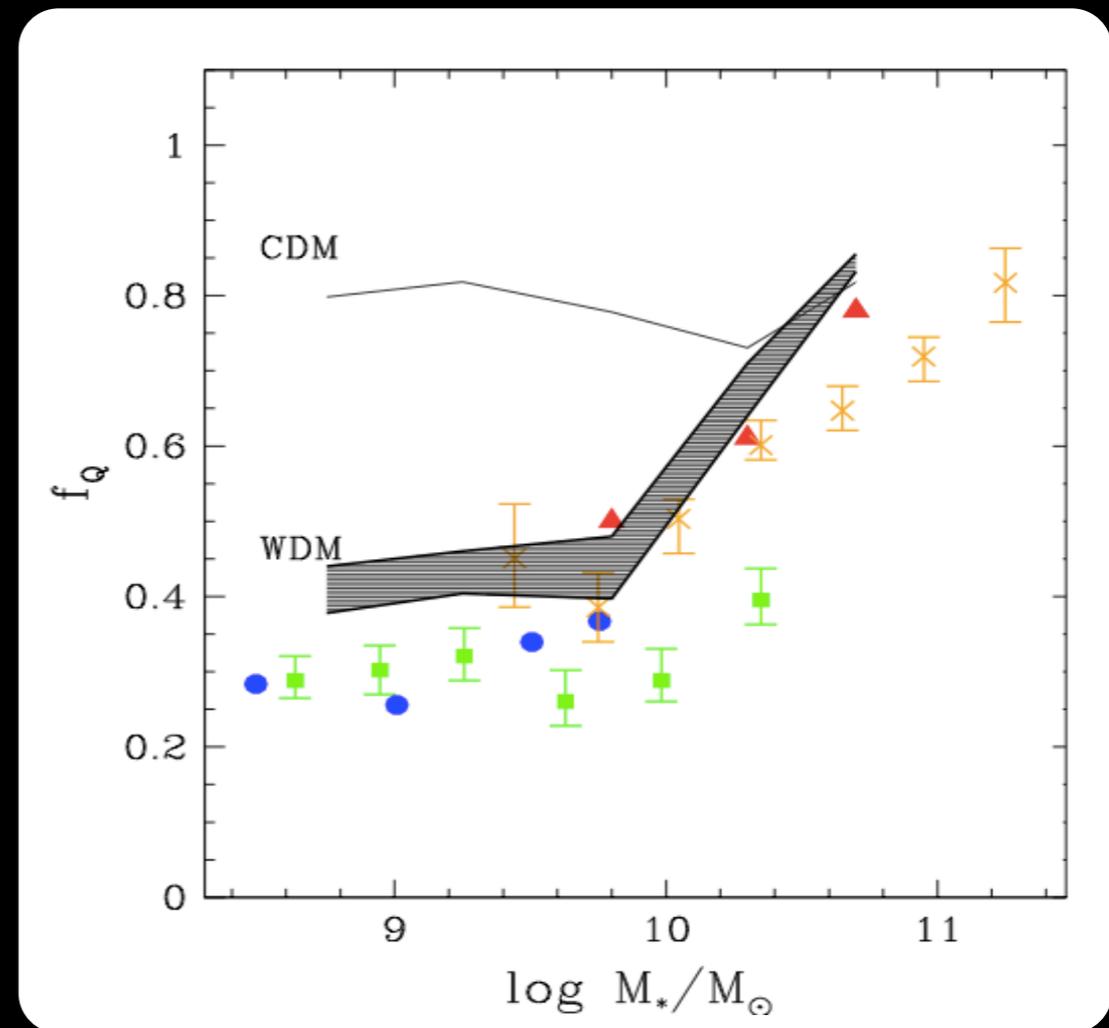
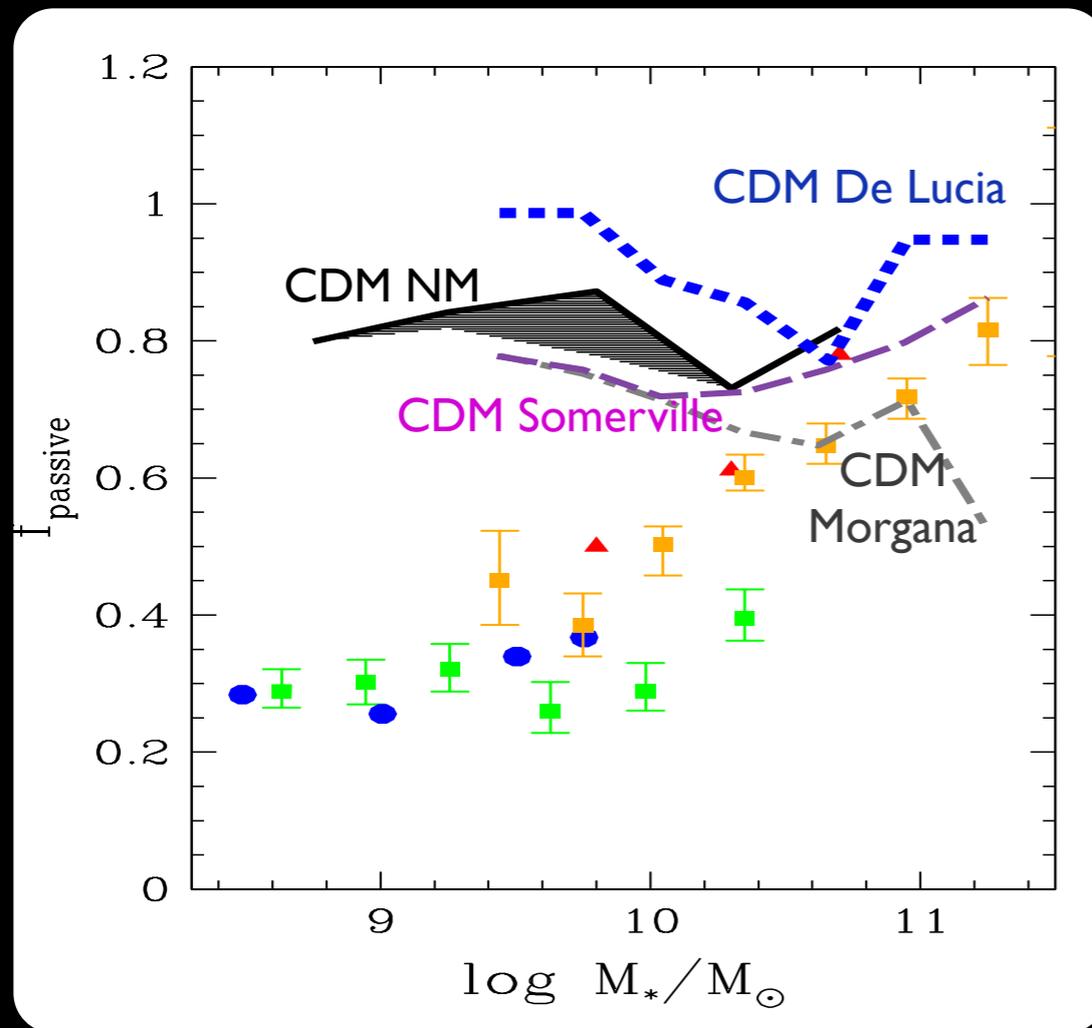


Specific Star Formation Rate

$$SSFR = \dot{M}_* / M_*$$

Quiescent Fraction = fraction of galaxies with $SSFR < 10^{-11} \text{ yrs}^{-1}$

corresponds to minimum in the SSFR distribution



The M_*/M_h relation for low-mass galaxies

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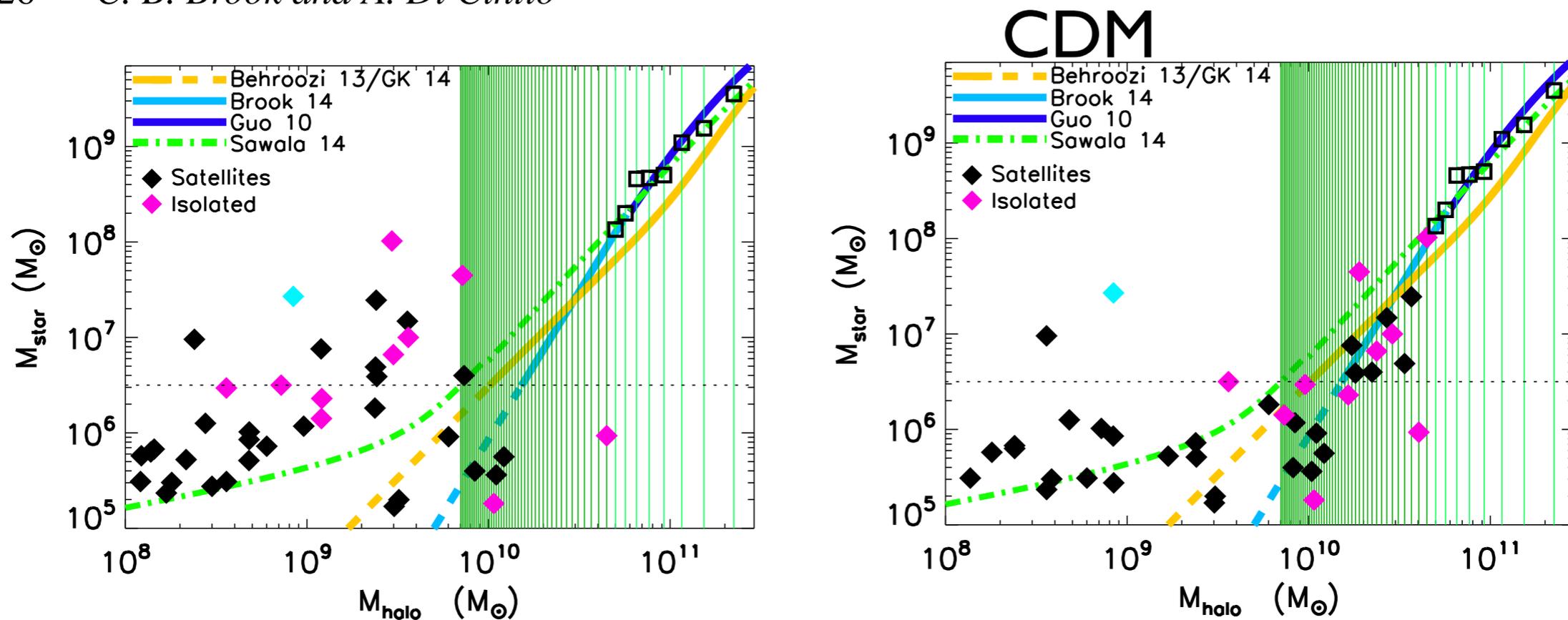
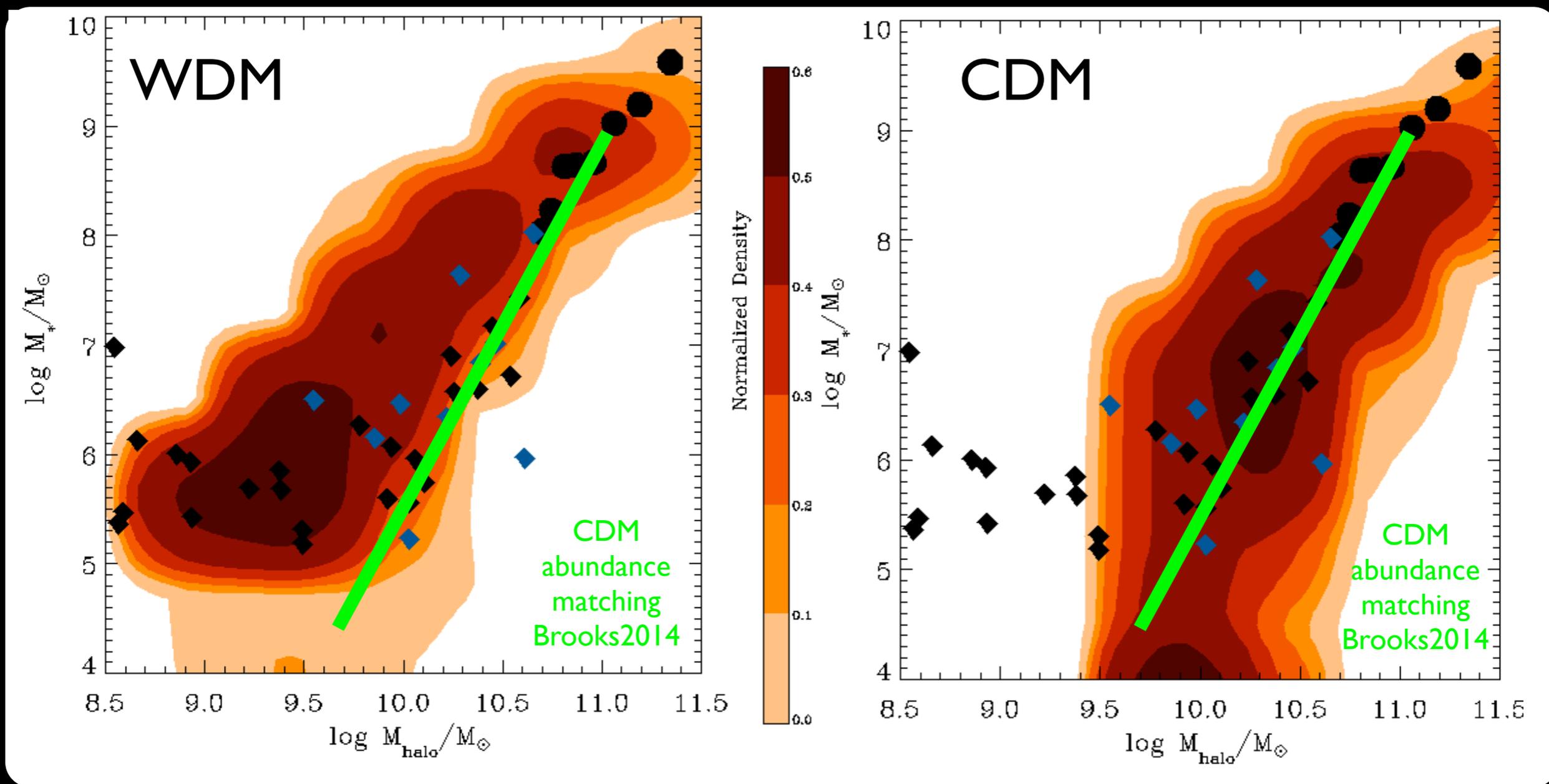


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In WDM the flatter shape of the LF allows for larger L/M ratios



CONSTRAINING THE WDM PARTICLE MASS

In terms of thermal relic mass m_χ
(conversion to sterile neutrino masses depends on
production mechanism)

E.g.

Dodelson-Widrow mechanism $m_\nu \approx 2.9 m_\chi$

Shi-Fuller mechanism $m_\nu \approx 2.5 m_\chi$

$m_\chi > 4$ keV is indistinguishable from CDM
from the point of view of galaxy formation

WDM particle mass: limits from the Ly- α forest vs. Hydro-Simulations

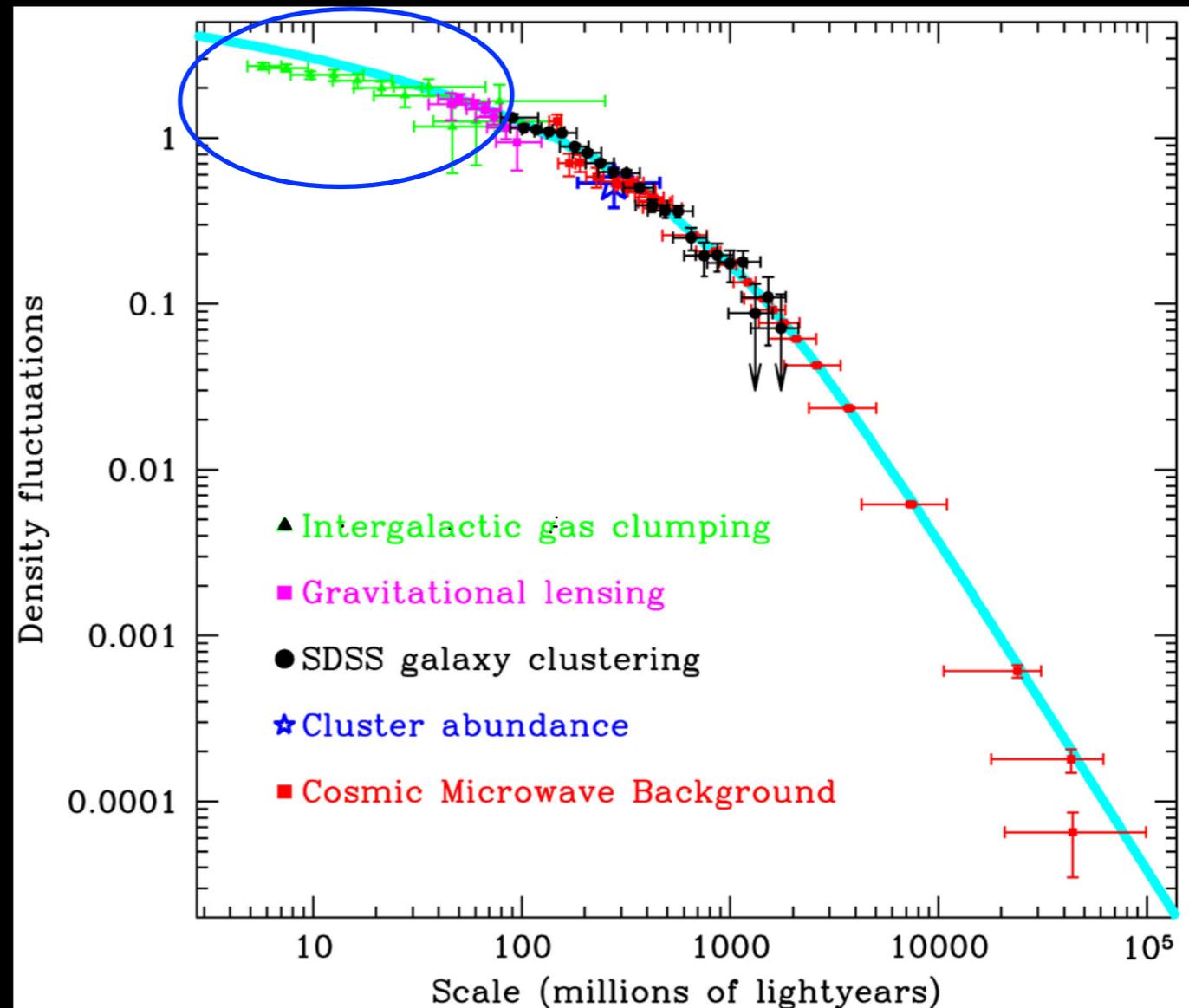
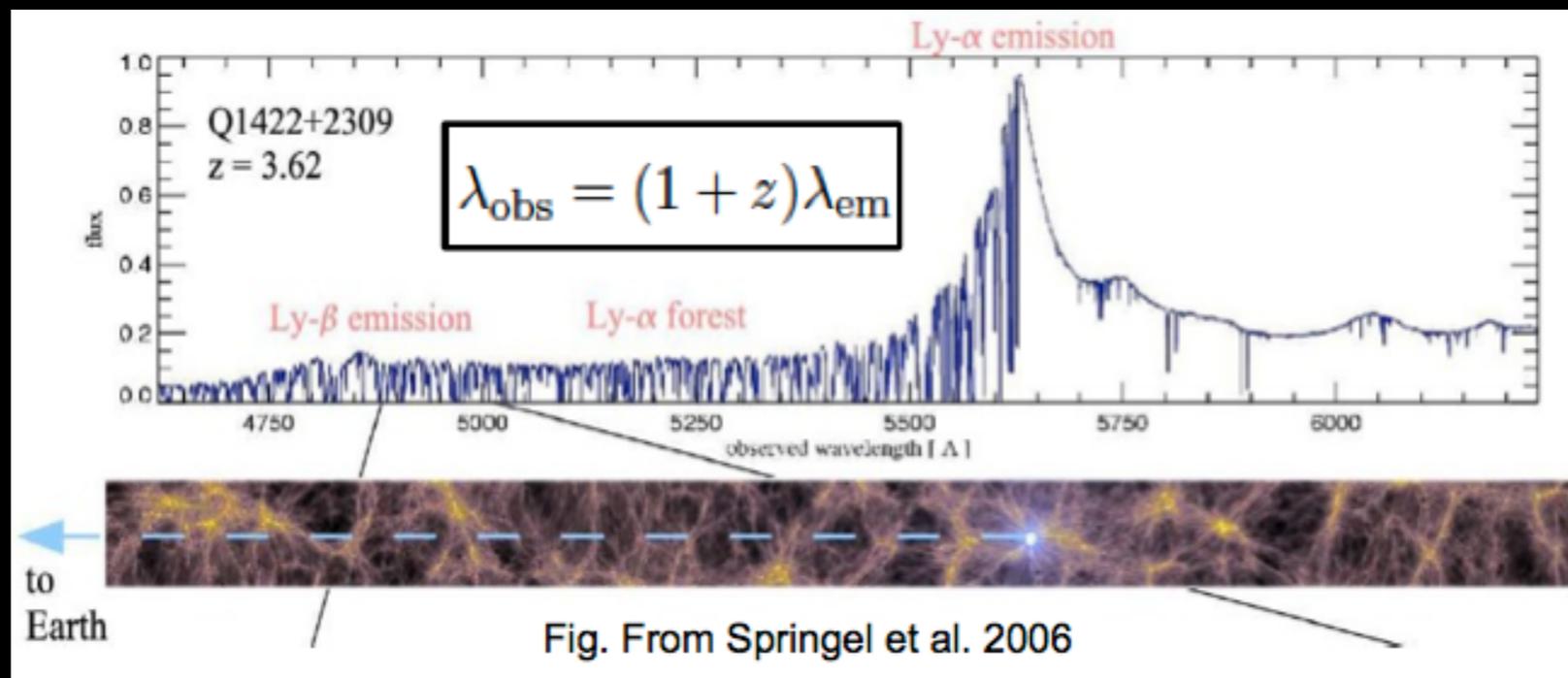
Viel et al. 2005-2013

$m_{\text{WDM}} > 3.3 \text{ keV}$ Thermal relics WDM
 $m_{\nu} > 12 \text{ keV}$ Sterile ν WDM (DW) Dodelson-Widrow

Results subject to further investigations

Still affected by the difficult-to-characterize physics of intergalactic gas. Degeneracy between WDM effects and Jeans and Doppler broadening of the absorption lines. These are affected by the IGM temperature

WDM particles are 10^{68} times heavier ($10^5 M_{\odot}$) than the real WDM particles. This makes difficult to infer the initial velocity distribution of the effective particles from the known initial velocity distribution of the real WDM particles (Lovell et al. 2012, 2014; Maccio` et al. 2012; Viel et al. 2013).



Constraining the WDM candidate mass through the abundance of low-mass galaxies

Structure formation in WDM models suppressed on small mass scales.

Small mass galaxies are the first to form.

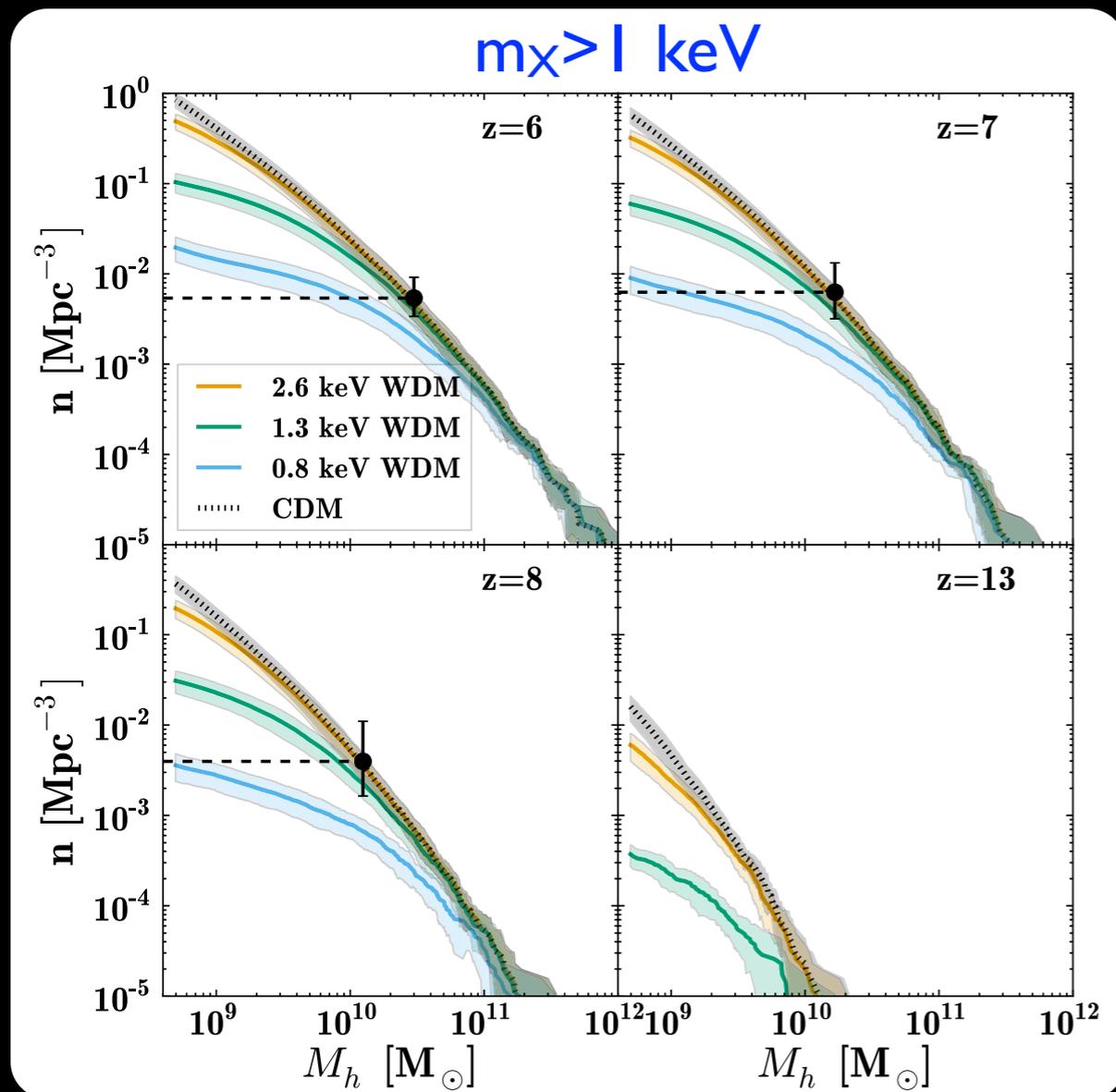
The most powerful probe for these scenarios is the abundance of high-redshift galaxies

Constraining the WDM candidate mass through the abundance of low-mass galaxies

Schultz et al. 2014 (see also Lapi & Danese 2015, Pacucci 2013)

Compare predicted abundance of low-mass DM halos at $z > 6$ with observed abundance of faint galaxies in the HUDF

Delicate issue: relate UV luminosity of observed galaxies to the mass of the host DM halo



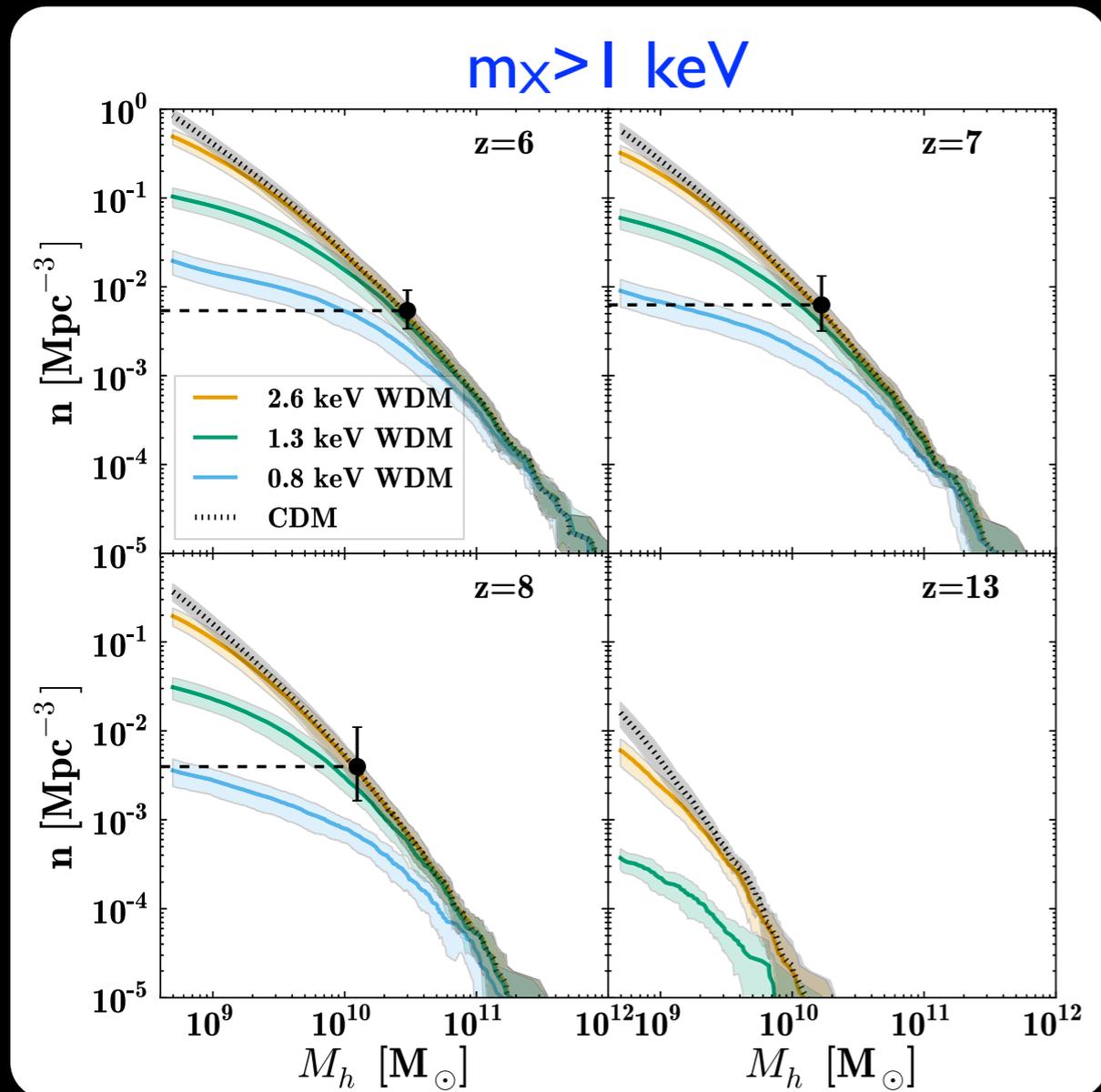
Magnitude limit $\text{mag}=30$
at $z=6$ this corresponds to $M_{\text{UV}}=-18$



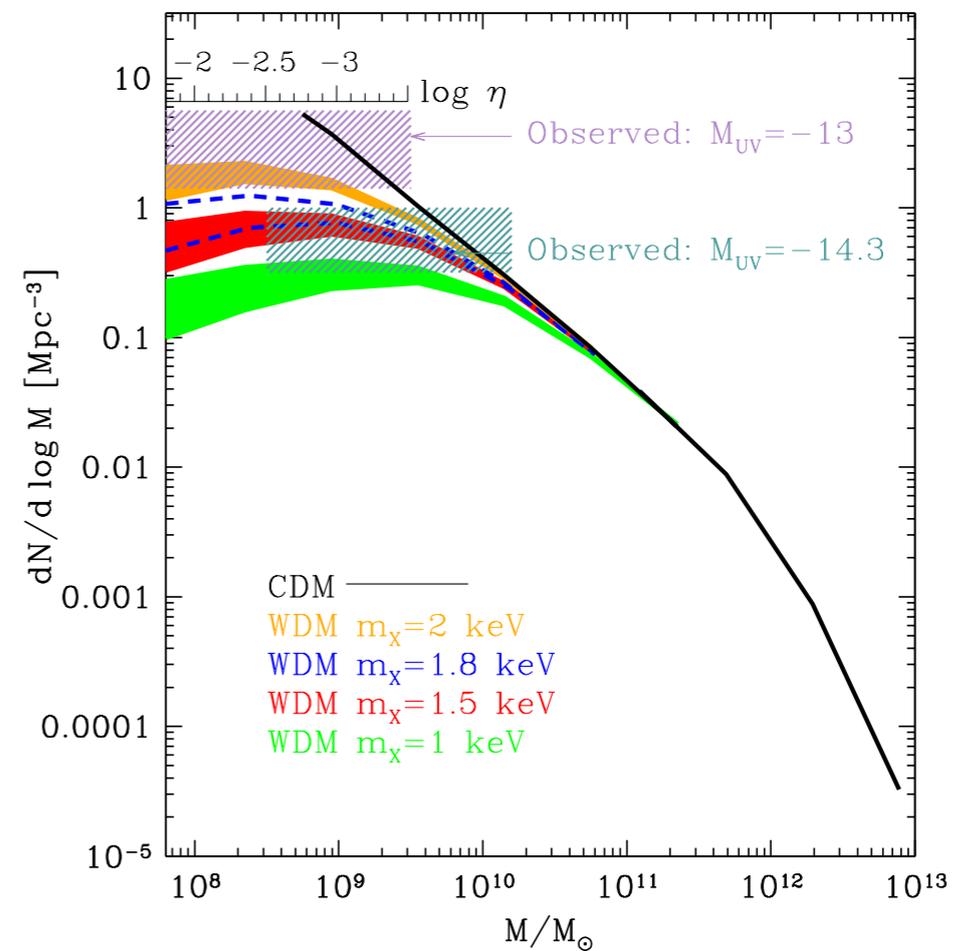
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Observed galaxy densities larger than the maximum predicted abundance of a given WDM model would rule out the corresponding WDM particle mass independently of L/M relation



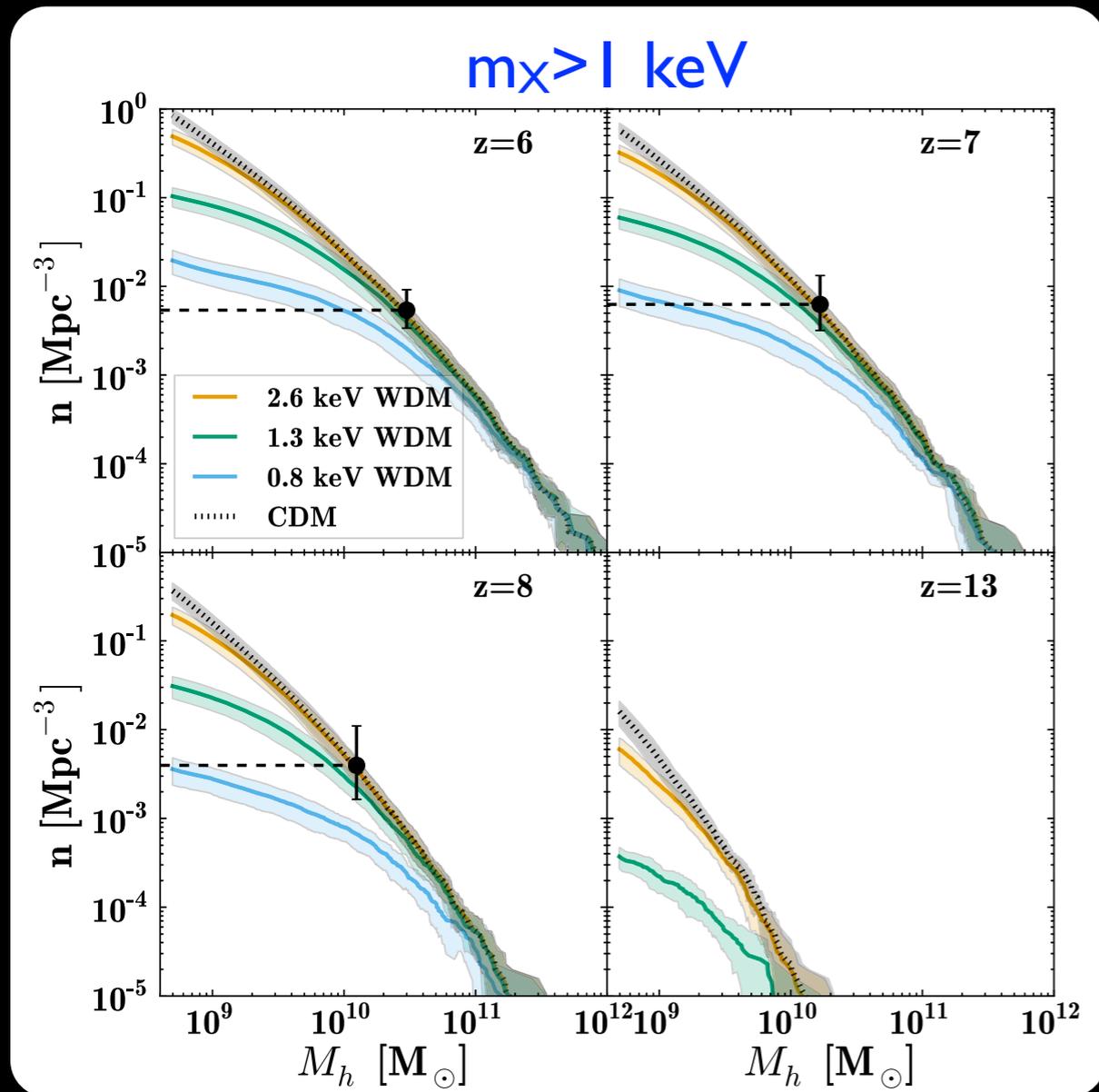
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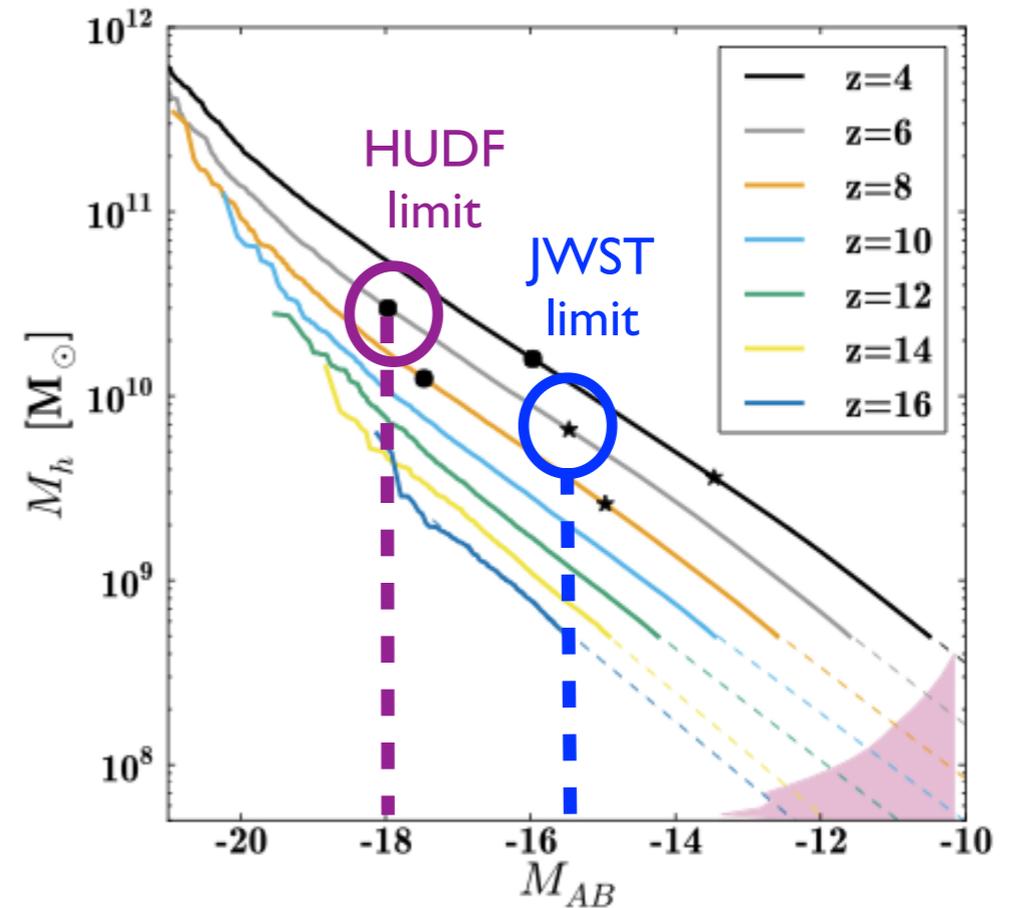
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Probing the Half-mode mass of ~ 2 keV WDM models requires reaching $M_{UV} \approx -13$ much, much deeper than present limit of HST



Hubble Frontier Field

The Frontier Fields Goals

Using Director's Discretionary (DD) observing time, HST is undertaking a revolutionary deep field observing program to peer deeper into the Universe than ever before and provide a first glimpse of JWST's universe.

These Frontier Fields will combine the power of HST with the natural gravitational telescopes of high-magnification clusters of galaxies. Using both the Wide Field Camera 3 and Advanced Camera for Surveys in parallel, HST will produce the deepest observations of clusters and their lensed galaxies ever obtained, and the second-deepest observations of blank fields (located near the clusters). These images will reveal distant galaxy populations ~10-100 times fainter than any previously observed, improve our statistical understanding of galaxies during the epoch of reionization, and provide unprecedented measurements of the dark matter within massive clusters.

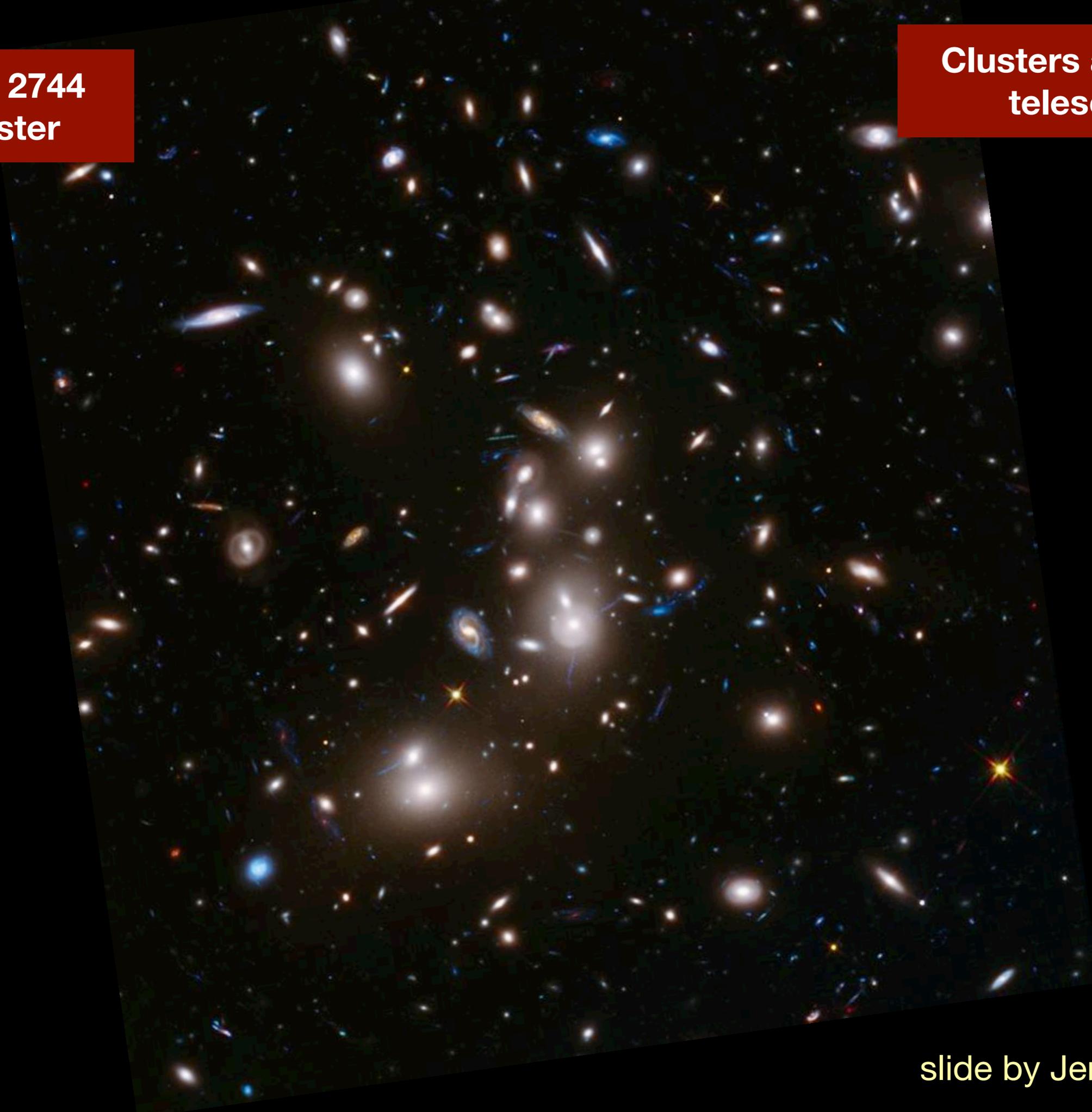
This program is based upon the 2012 recommendations from the Hubble Deep Fields Initiative Science Working group: [SWG Report 2012](#) 

Six Frontier Fields

Cluster Name	z	Cluster		Parallel Field	
		RA	Dec	RA	Dec
Year 1:					
Abell 2744	0.308	00:14:21.2	-30:23:50.1	00:13:53.6	-30:22:54.3
MACSJ0416.1-2403	0.396	04:16:08.9	-24:04:28.7	04:16:33.1	-24:06:48.7
Year 2:					
MACSJ0717.5+3745	0.545	07:17:34.0	+37:44:49.0	07:17:17.0	+37:49:47.3
MACSJ1149.5+2223	0.543	11:49:36.3	+22:23:58.1	11:49:40.5	+22:18:02.3
Year 3:					
Abell S1063 (RXCJ2248.7-4431)	0.348	22:48:44.4	-44:31:48.5	22:49:17.7	-44:32:43.8
Abell 370	0.375	02:39:52.9	-01:34:36.5	02:40:13.4	-01:37:32.8

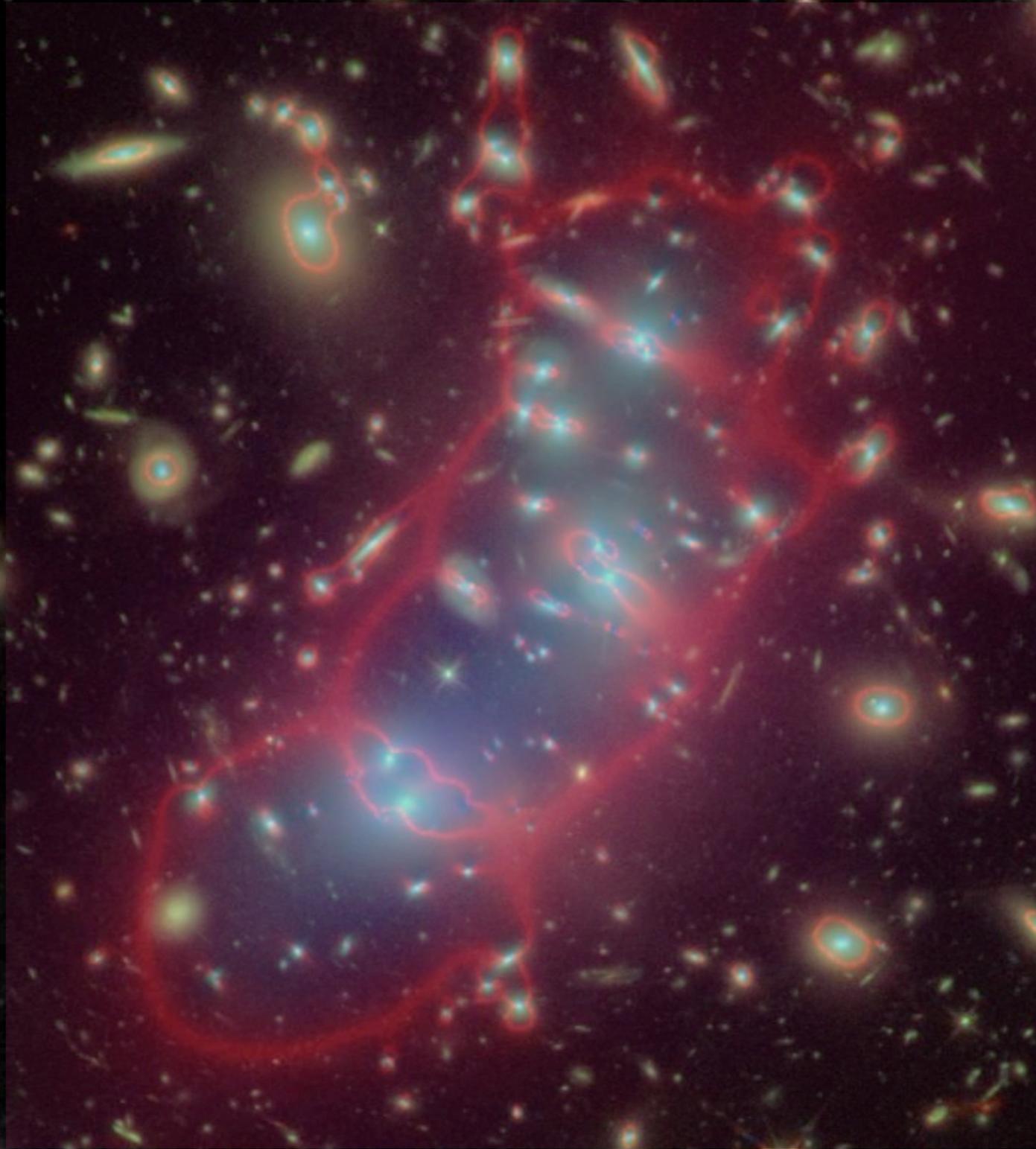
**Abell 2744
Cluster**

**Clusters as lensing
telescopes**

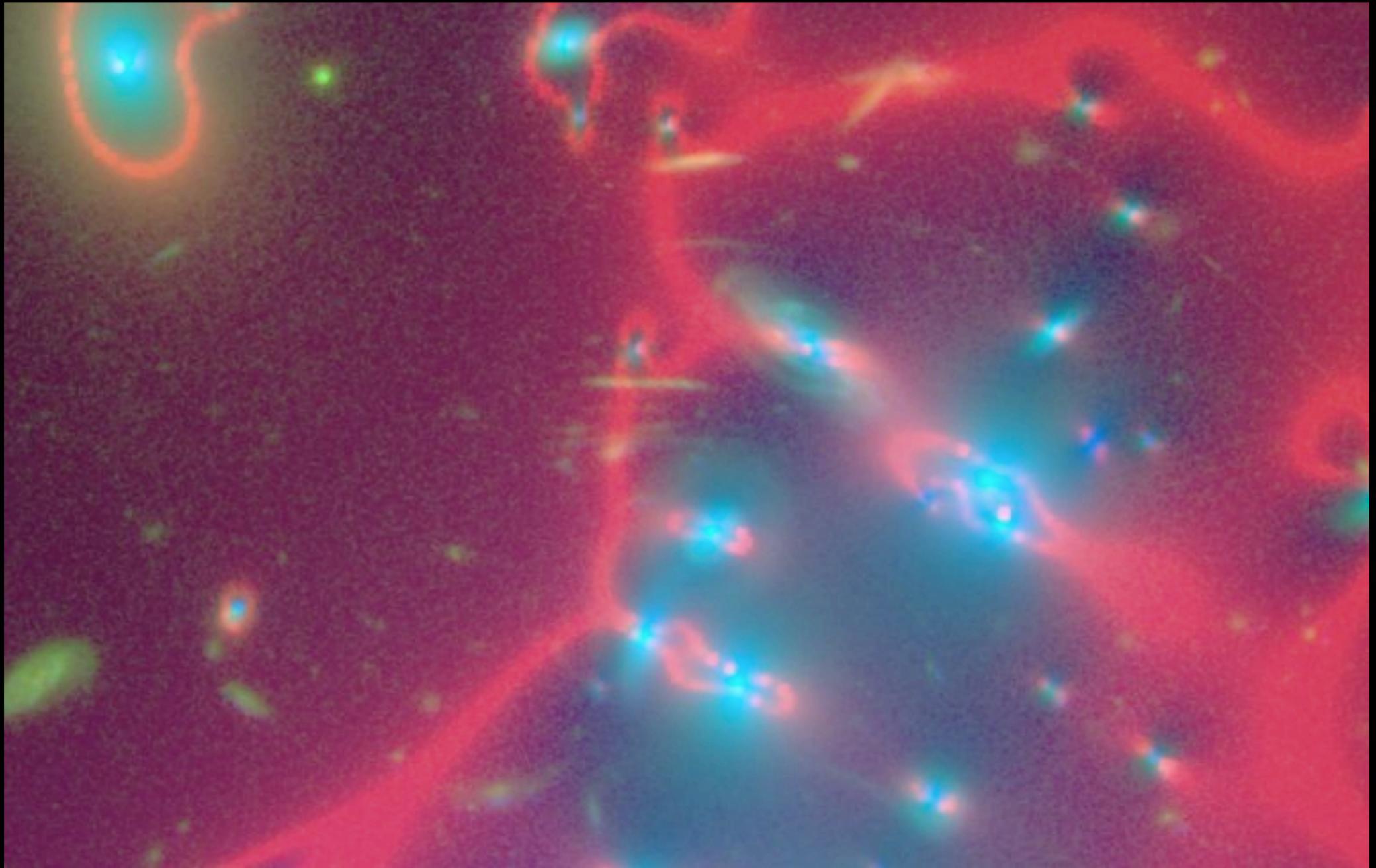


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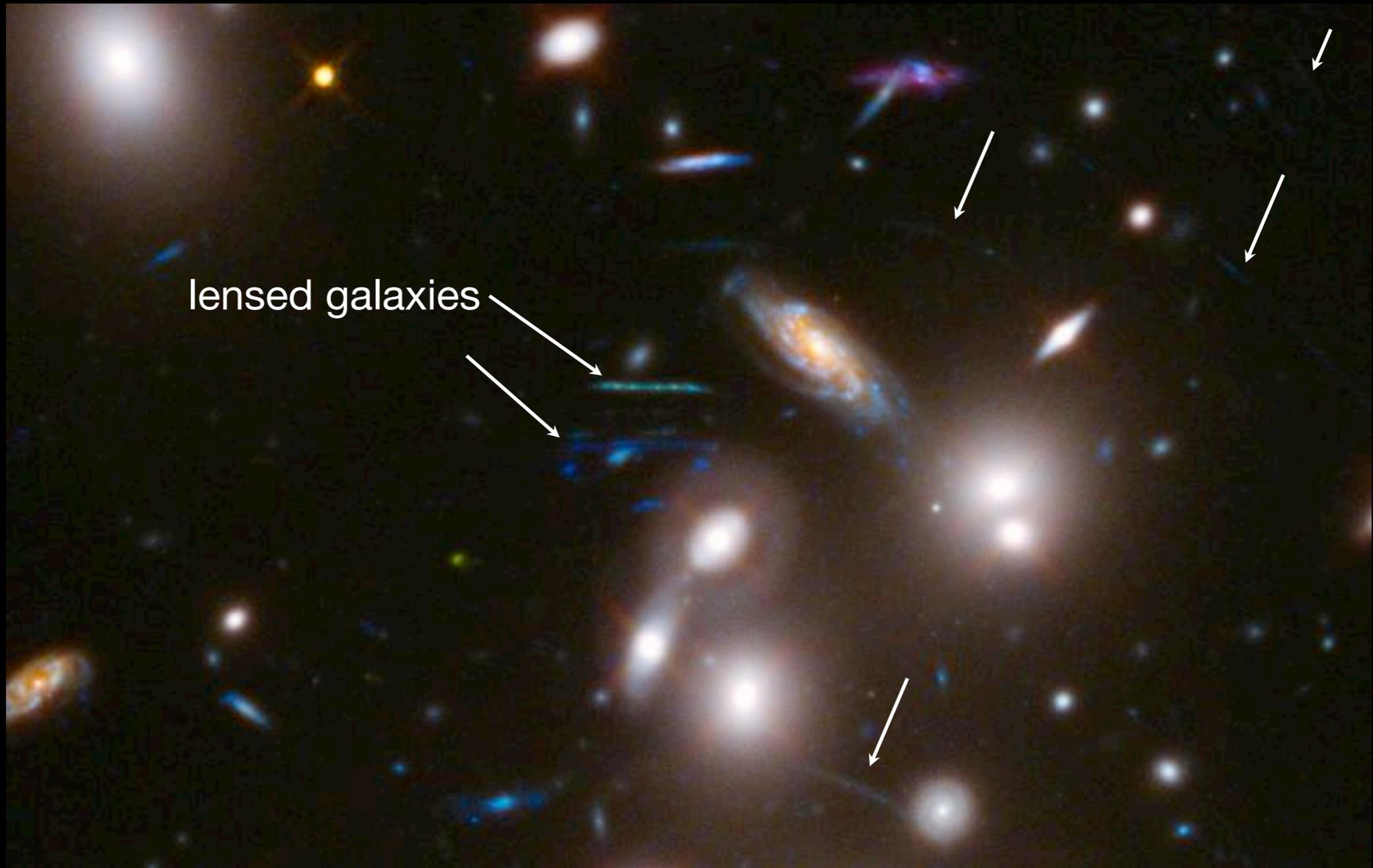


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background galaxies are magnified by factors up to $\sim 10-20$,
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lensed galaxies

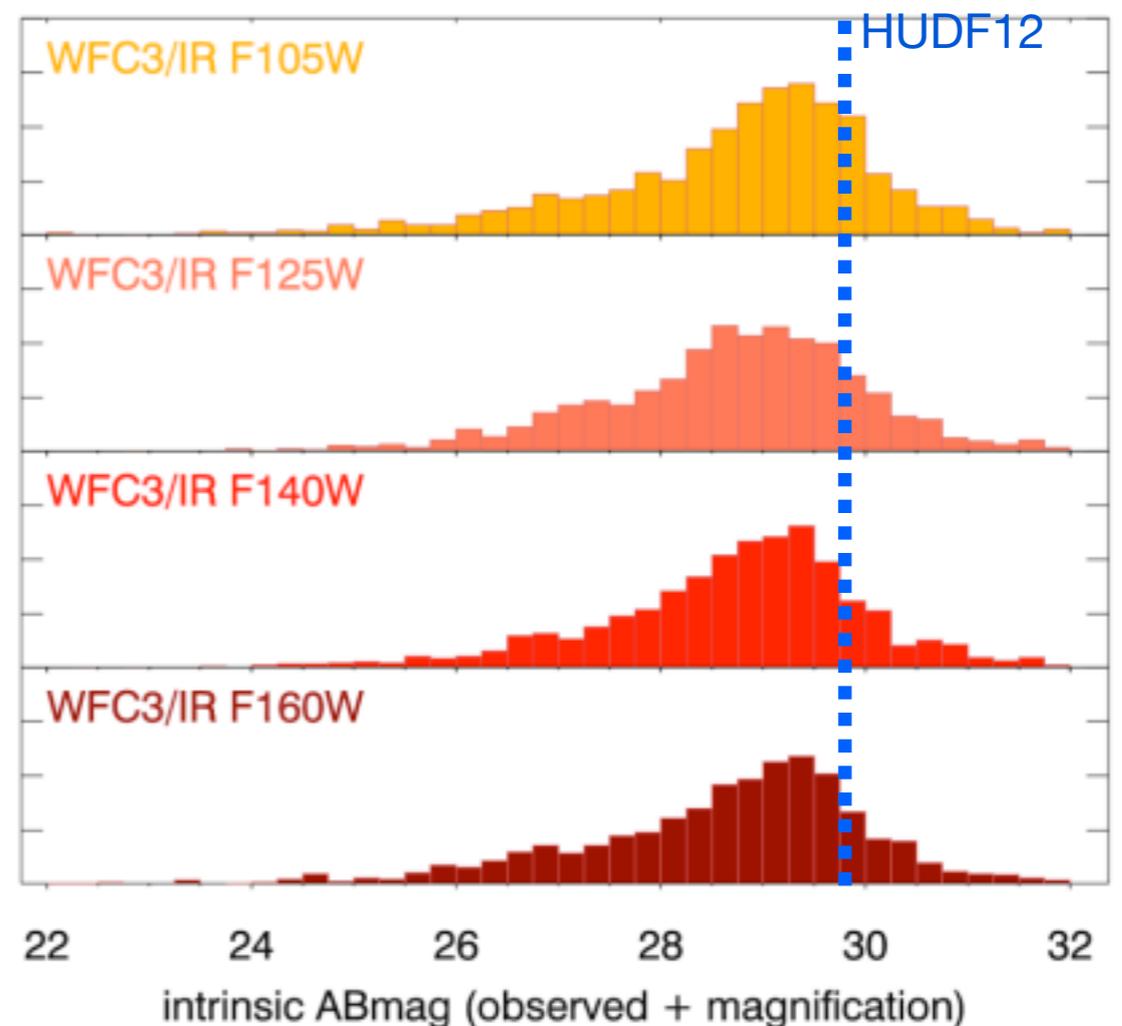
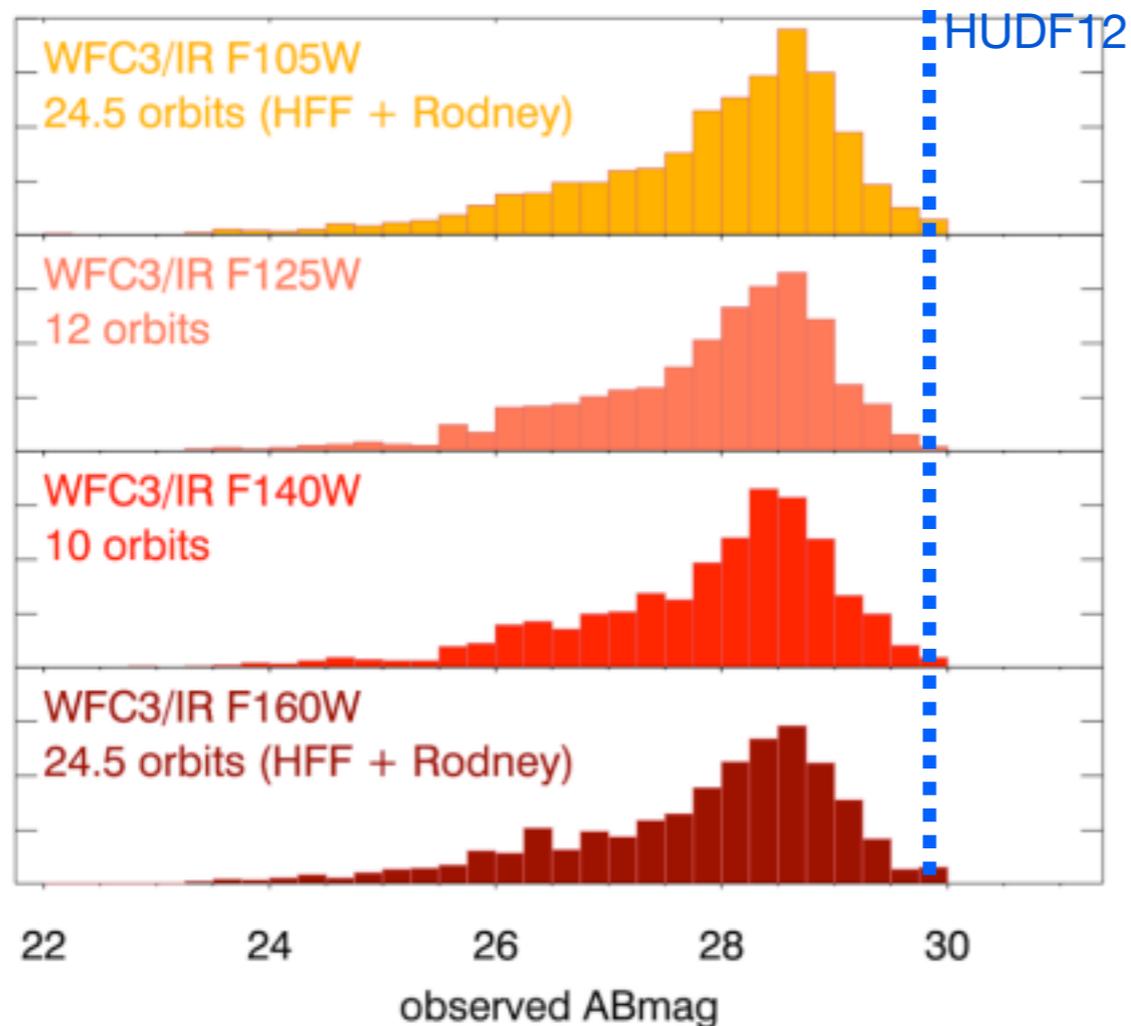
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Deepest view yet into the distant universe:

Observed Fainter →

Intrinsically Fainter →

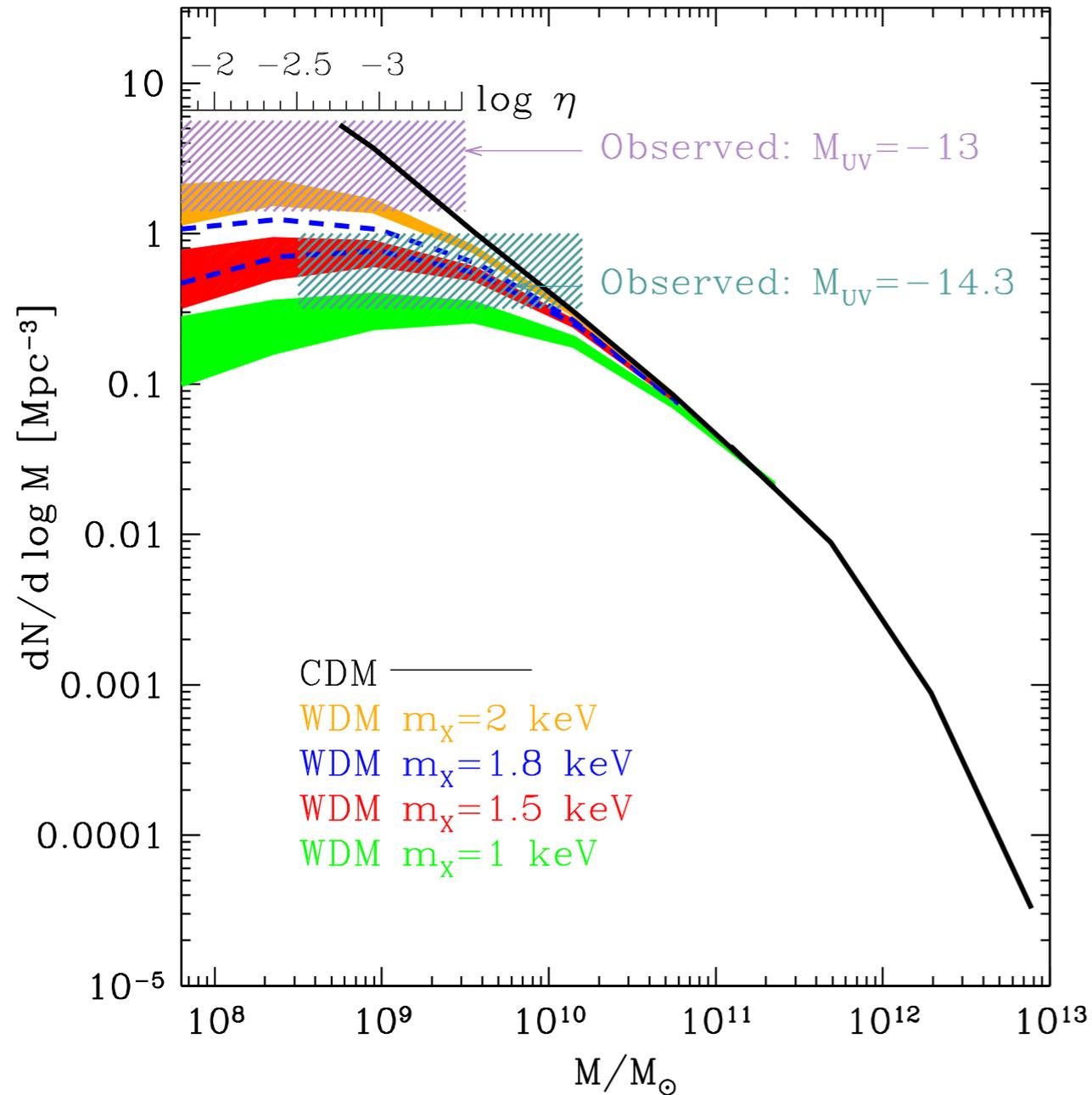


Take observed fluxes \times lensing magnifications (average $\sim 1.8x$, max $\sim 80x$)

\Rightarrow intrinsically faintest Frontier Fields galaxies ~ 2.5 magnitudes (10x) fainter than Ultra Deep Field (blue dashed line)

A single cluster lens provided $m_{\chi} > 1.8$ keV (thermal relic mass)

NM, Sanchez, Grazian, Castellano 2015



lower m_{χ} do not provide the observed abundance. Note: baryonic processes can make the LF flatter but not steeper !

The result is robust with respect to

The effect of baryonic processes included in η . Observations probe the mass function in the mass range around the half-mode mass where the DM mass functions are characterized by a maximum value.

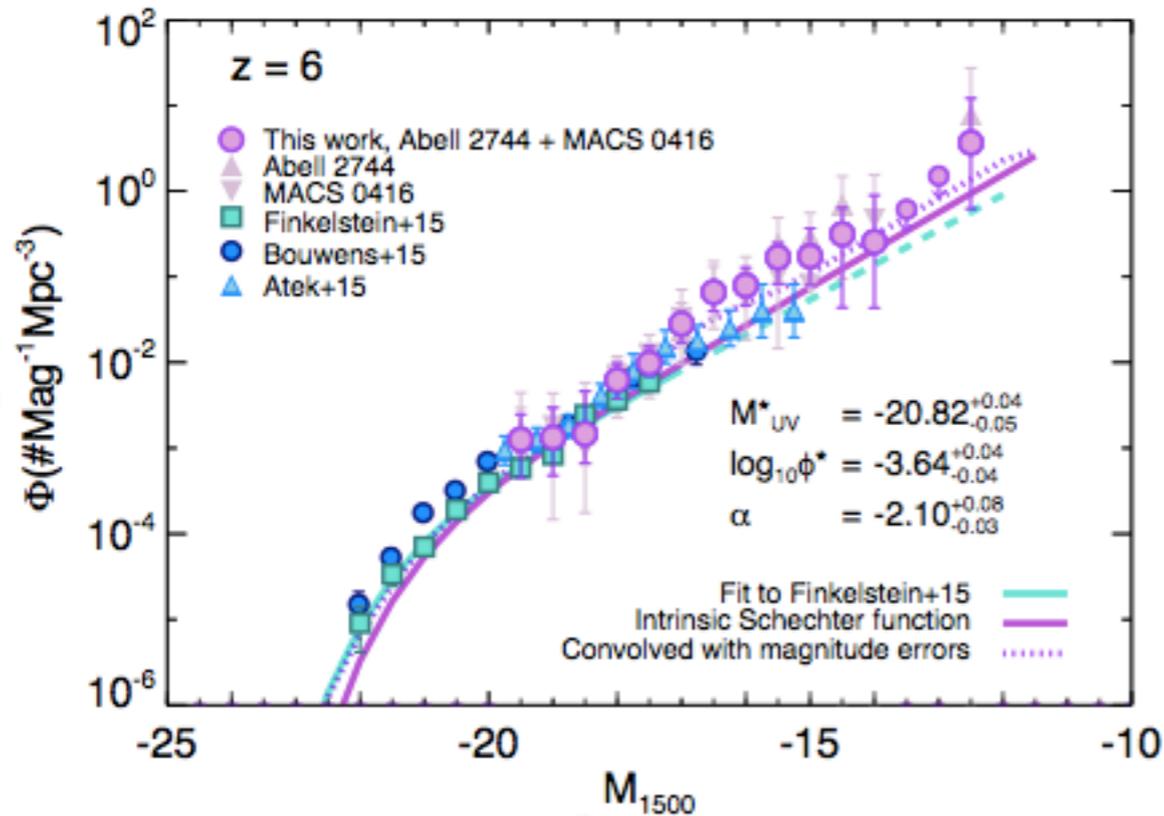
The modeling of residual DM dispersion velocities. Their would yield a sharper decrease of the mass function at small masses (see, e.g., Benson et al. 2013), thus yielding tighter constraints.

The collapse threshold: conservatively assume spherical collapse model. elliptical collapse yields even stronger limits

Recently Livermore, Finkelstein, Lotz 2016 obtained LFs of $z=6$ galaxies down to $M_{UV}=-12.5$

Based on 2 HFF lensing clusters Abell 2744 and MACS 0416

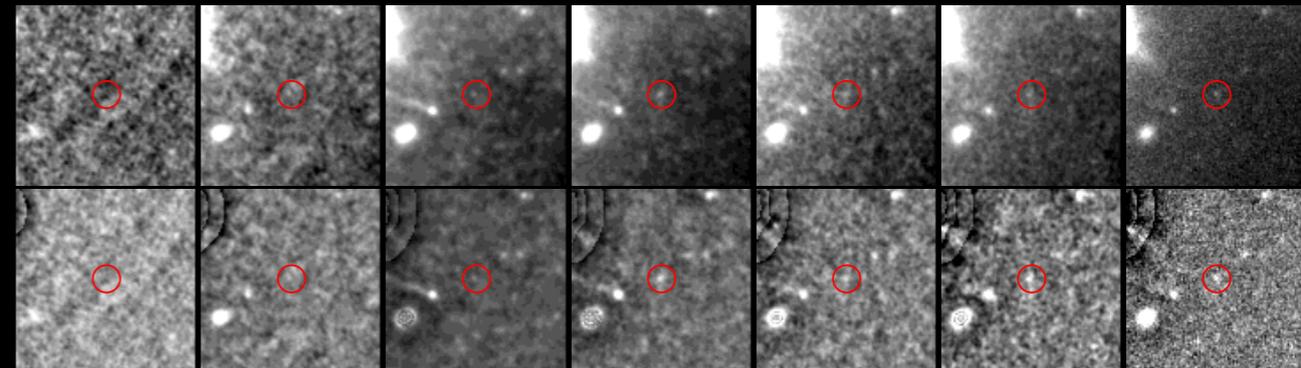
164 galaxies at $z>6$



Such measurements have been shown to provide important constraints on the contribution to reionization, and on the star formation and feedback processes of primeval galaxies.

Lensing magnifications $>50X$

Magnifications have been derived by adopting the full range of possible lens models produced for the HFF by seven independent groups who used different assumptions and methodologies.

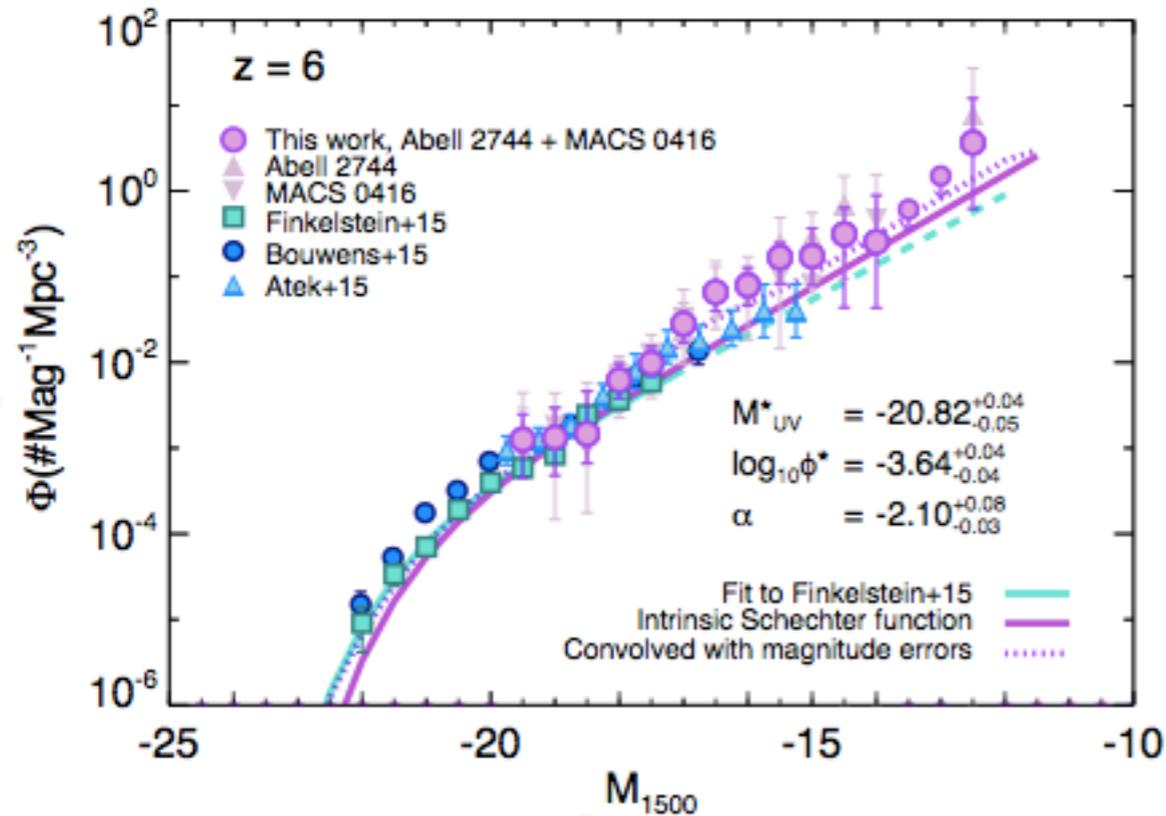


Postage stamp image of a2744 z6 3341, from the $z \sim 6$ sample detected in the Abell 2744 cluster field. The circle shows a 0.4'' aperture. This galaxy is magnified by a factor $\sim 20\times$, giving it an intrinsic UV magnitude of $M_{UV} = -14.54$, but was not detected in previous studies due to the bright foreground object close to the line of sight (top row). It is easily detected in the wavelet-subtracted images (lower row)

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NM, Grazian Castellano Sanchez 2016

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2. Compute the total number density of galaxies down to the faintest magn bin:
of galaxies/ Mpc^3
at different confidence levels:

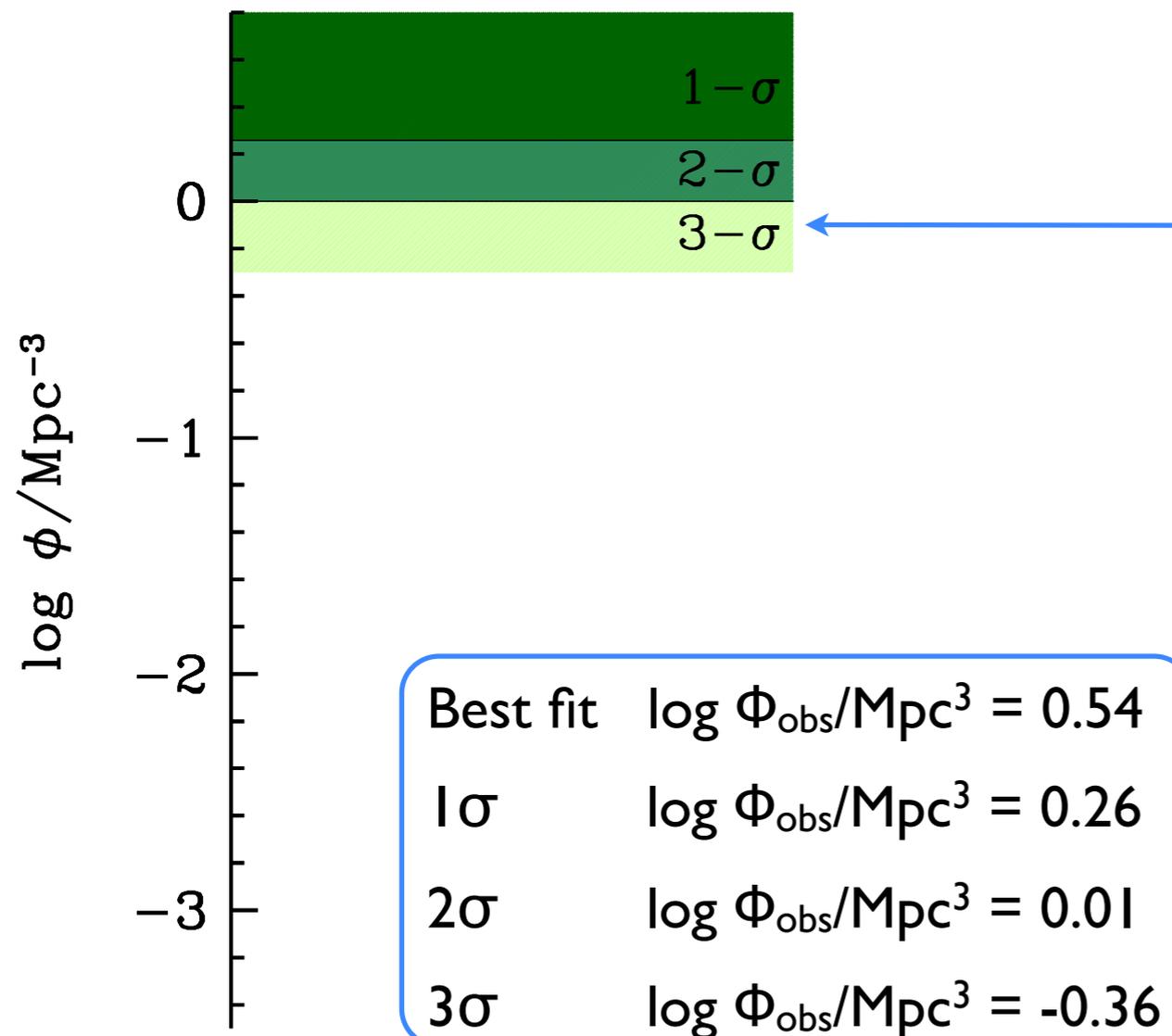
Best fit	$\log \Phi_{\text{obs}}/Mpc^3 = 0.54$
1σ	$\log \Phi_{\text{obs}}/Mpc^3 = 0.26$
2σ	$\log \Phi_{\text{obs}}/Mpc^3 = 0.01$
3σ	$\log \Phi_{\text{obs}}/Mpc^3 = -0.36$

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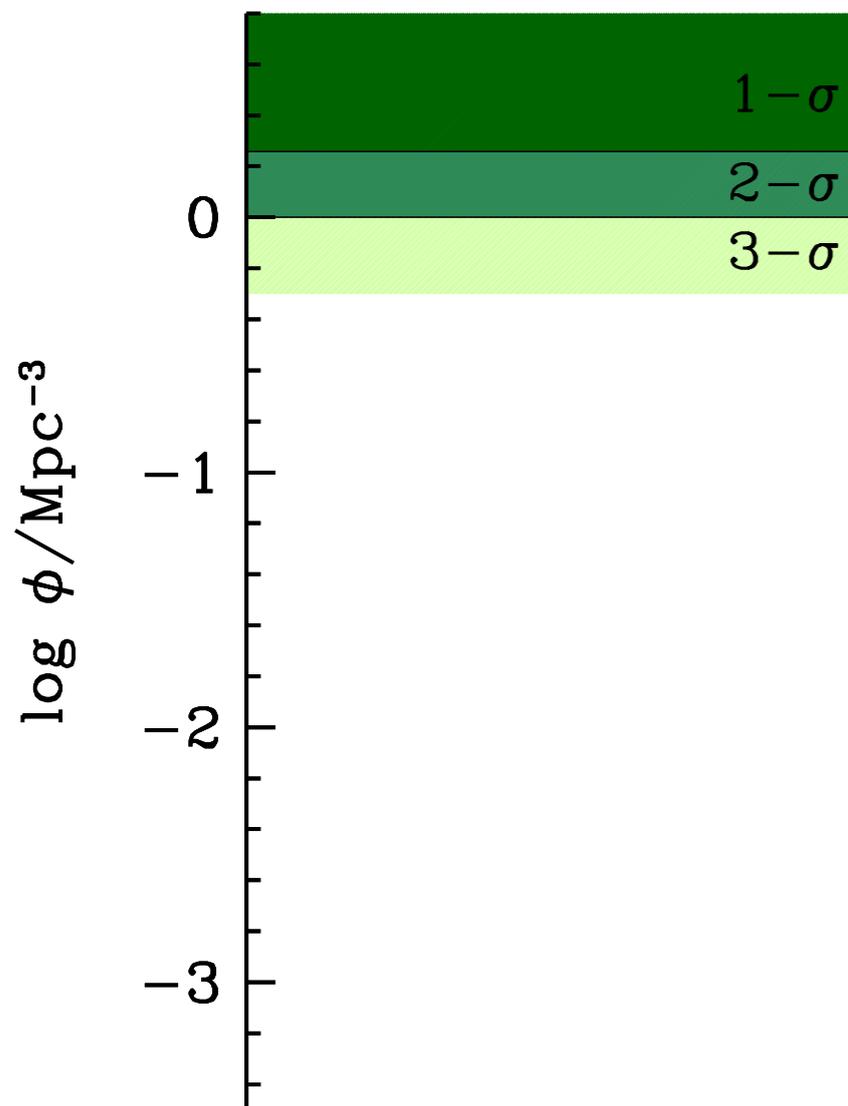
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thermal relics

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$m_\chi=1.5 \text{ keV}$

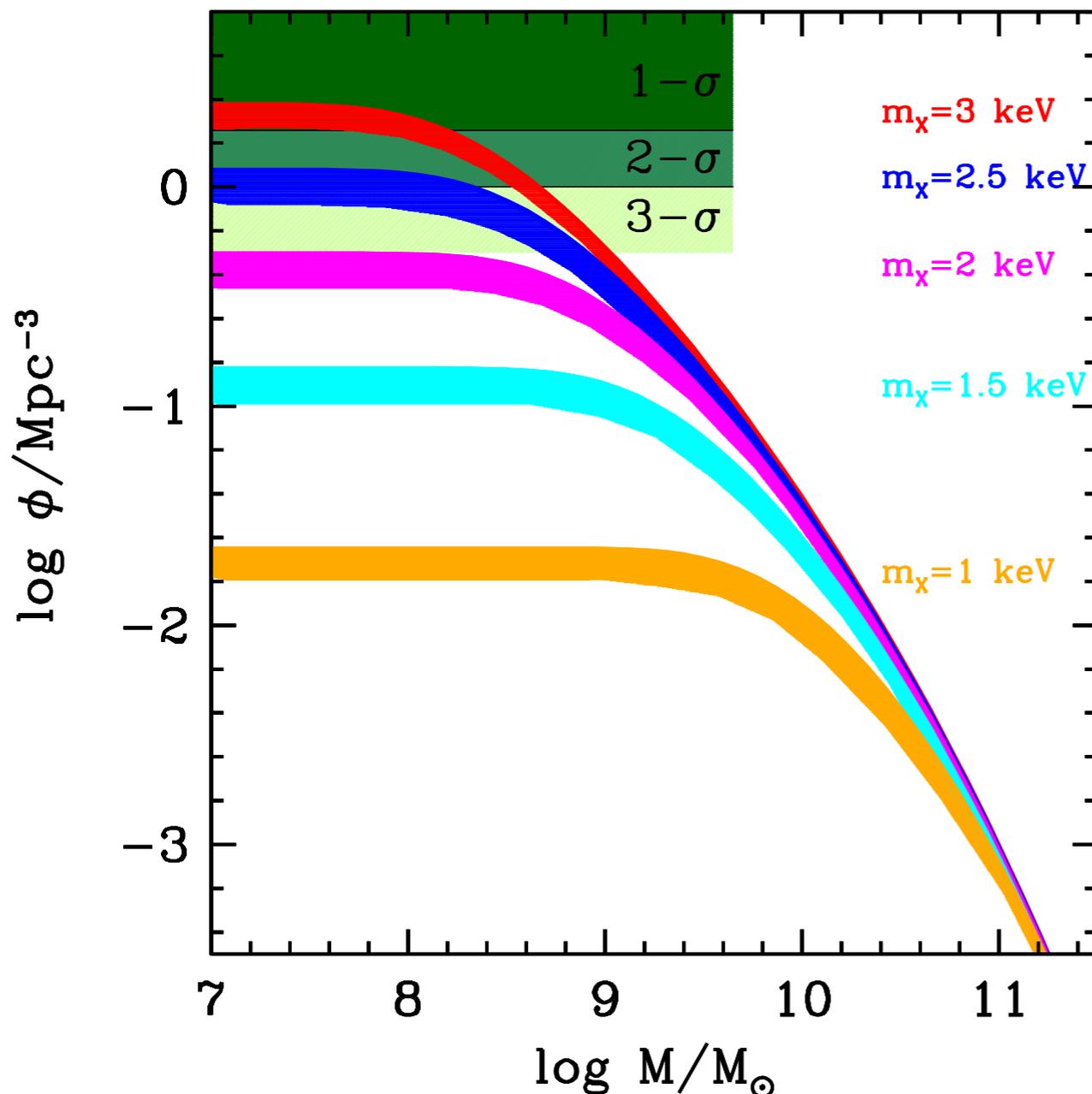
$m_\chi=1 \text{ keV}$

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4. Compute the associated WDM cumulative mass function and the corresponding maximum number density $\tilde{\Phi}(m_\chi, \text{production model})$

5. Allowed WDM models are those with $\Phi_{\text{obs}} \leq \tilde{\Phi}(m_\chi, \text{production model})$
observed galaxies cannot outnumber the DM halos

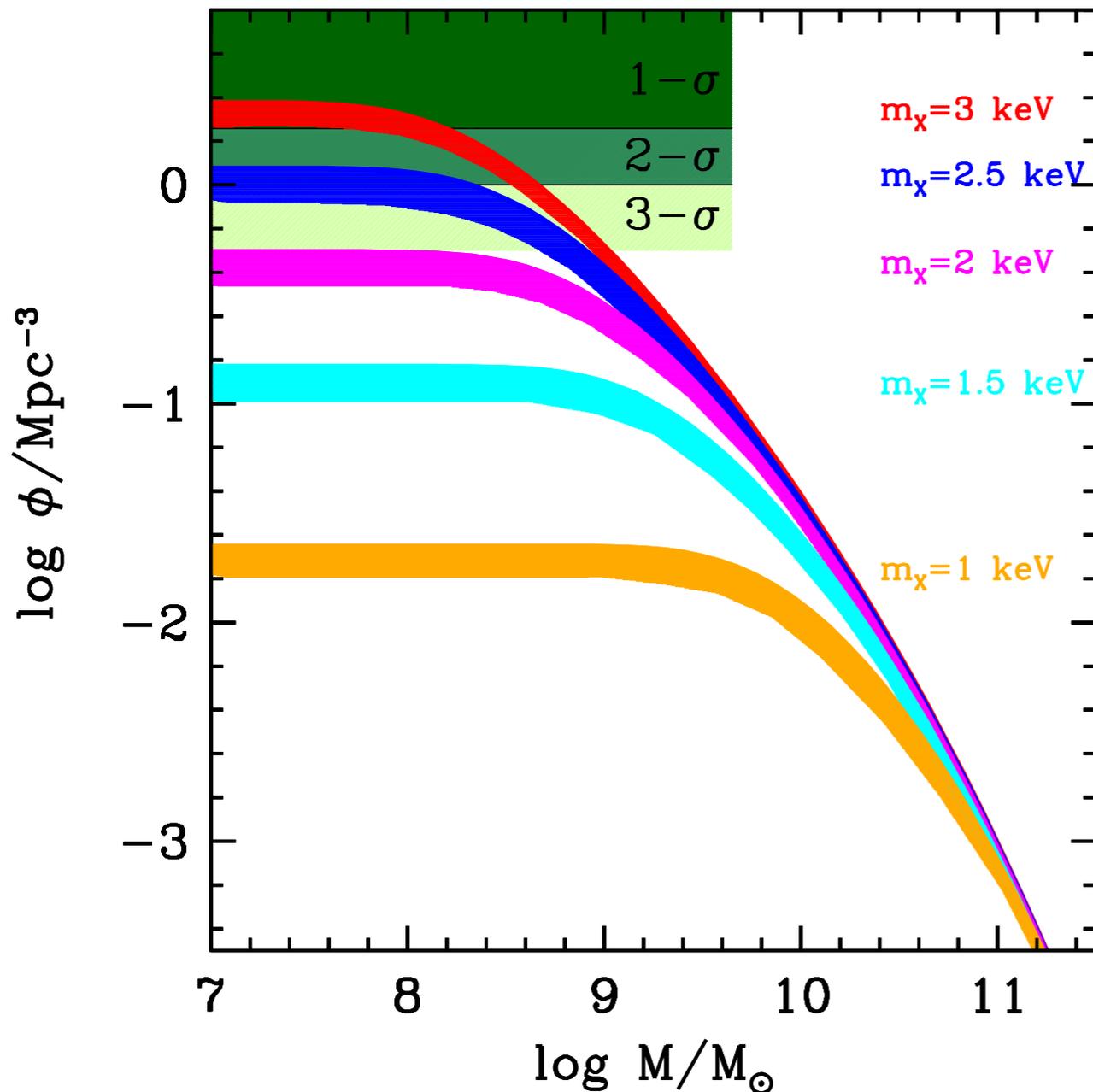
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When compared with maximum number density of DM halos in WDM models

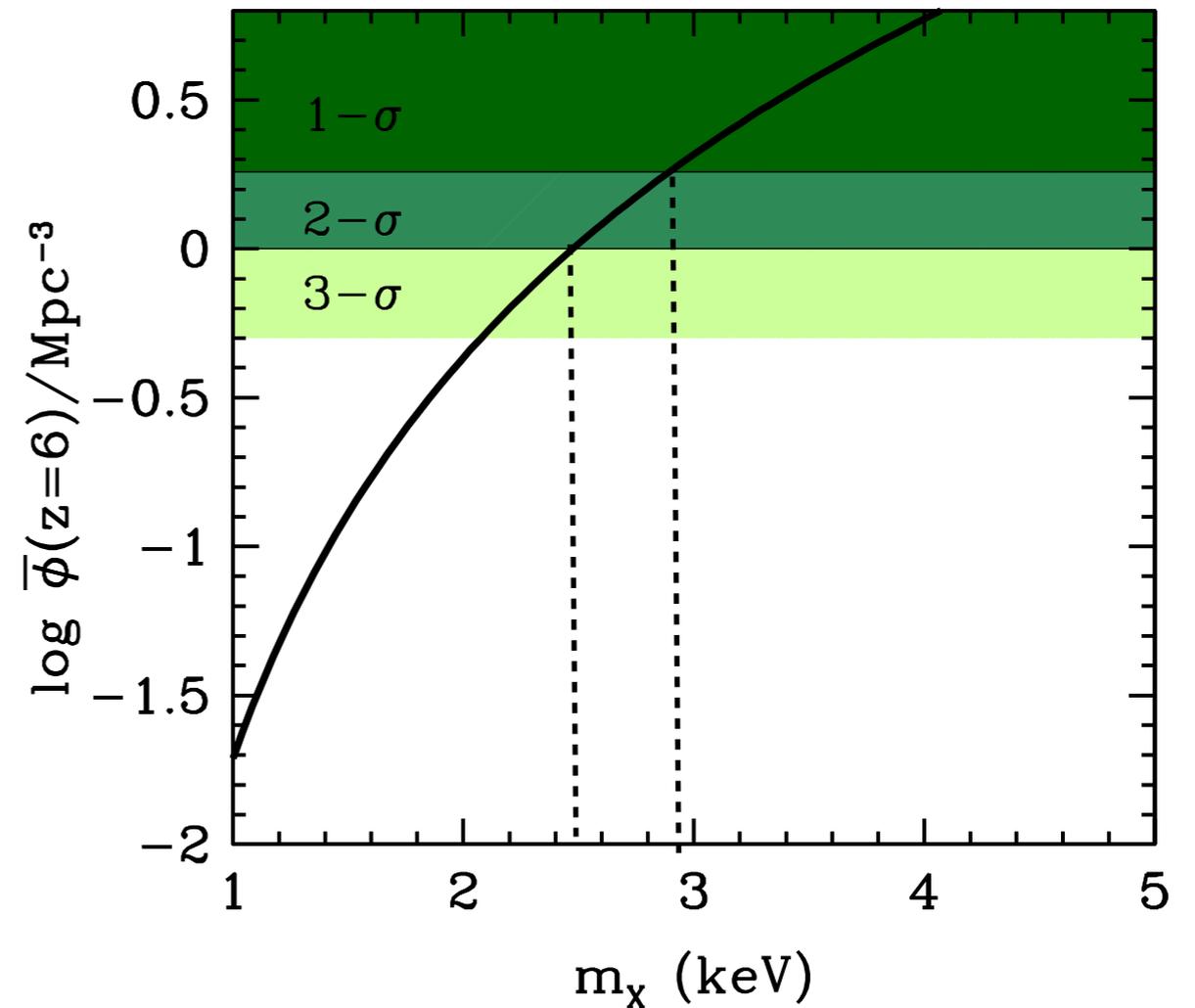
we find a limit $m_X > 3$ keV (1σ), $m_X > 2.4$ keV (2σ) thermal relics

The tighter limits on m_X derived so far independently of astrophysical processes

NM, Grazian, Castellano, Sanchez 2016

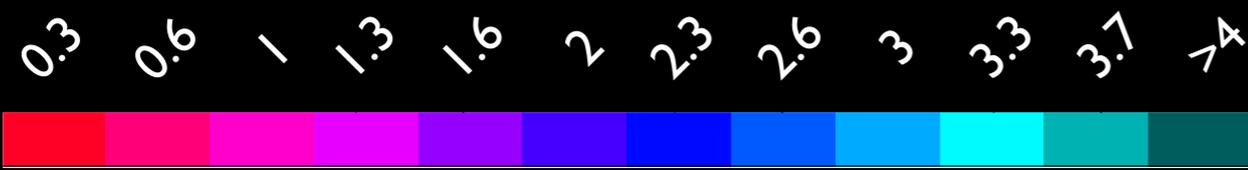


No matter what are the gas and star formation processes involved in galaxy formation visible galaxies cannot outnumber their host DM haloes

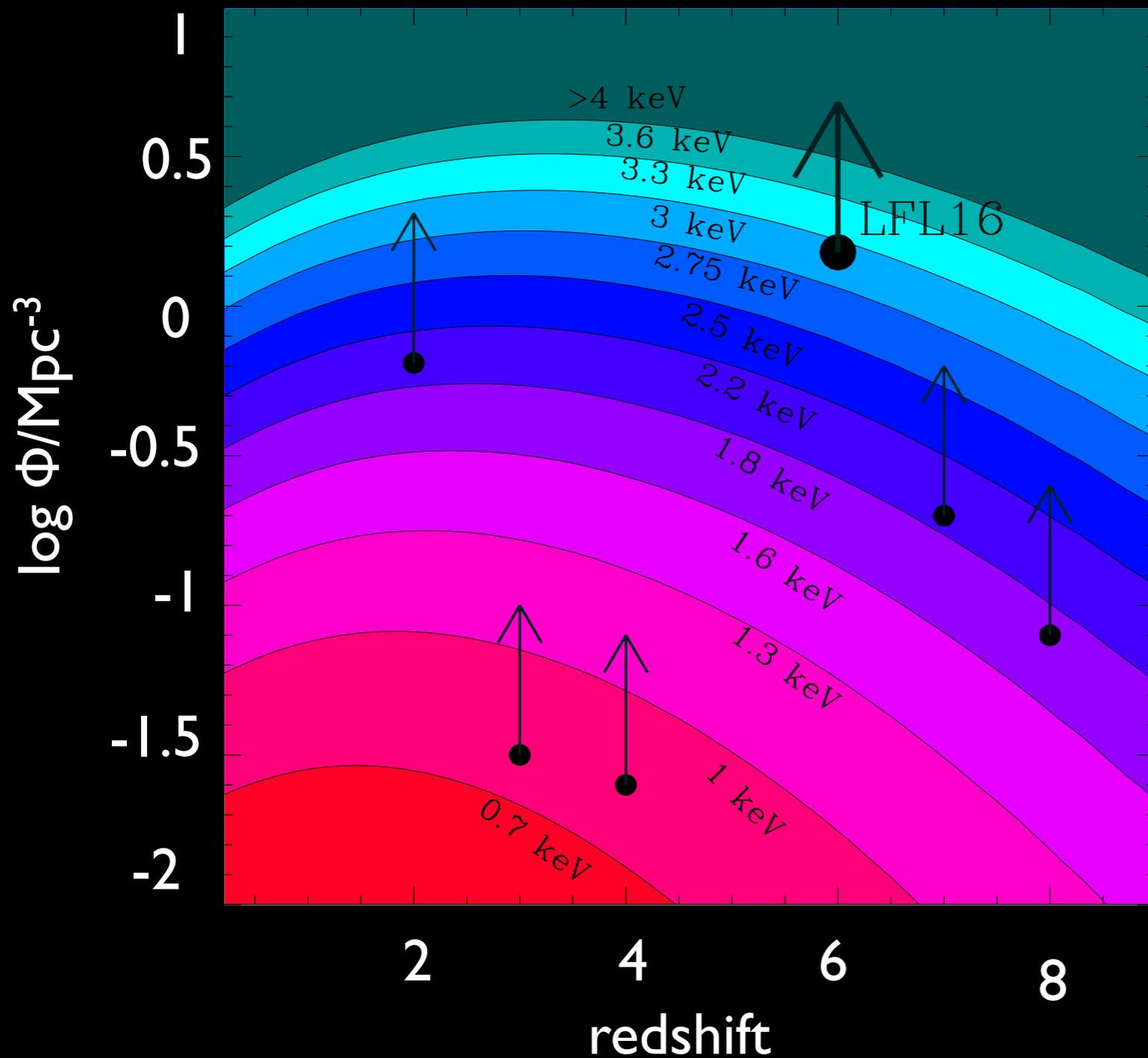


Comparison with previous limits based on galaxy abundances

NM+2016



m_χ (keV)



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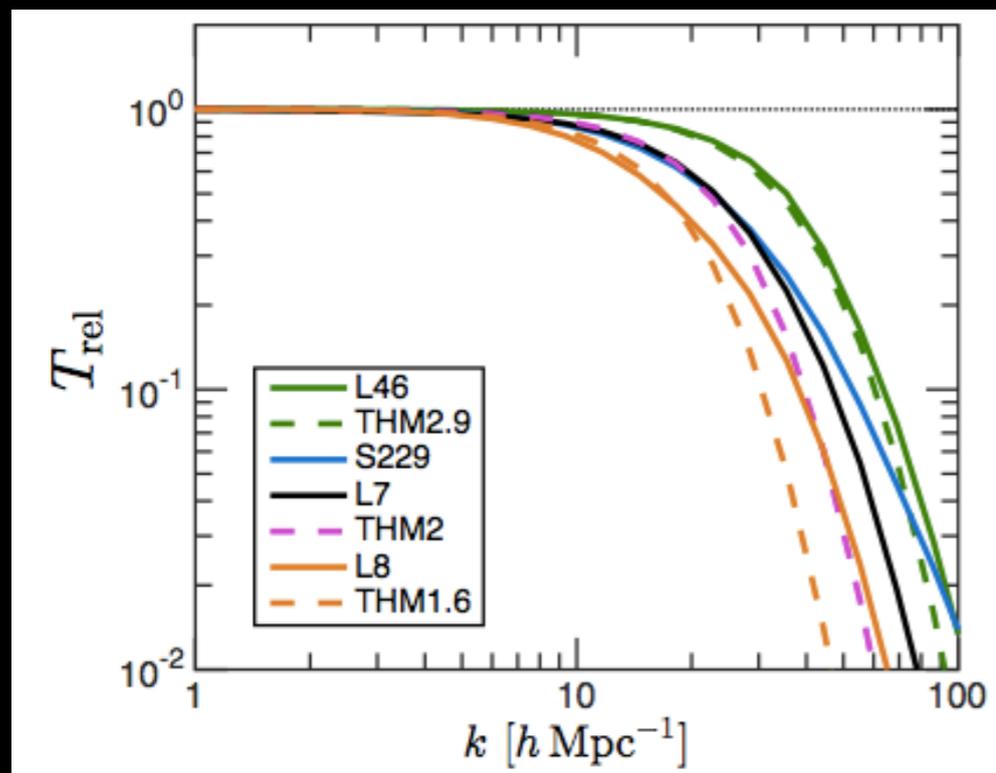
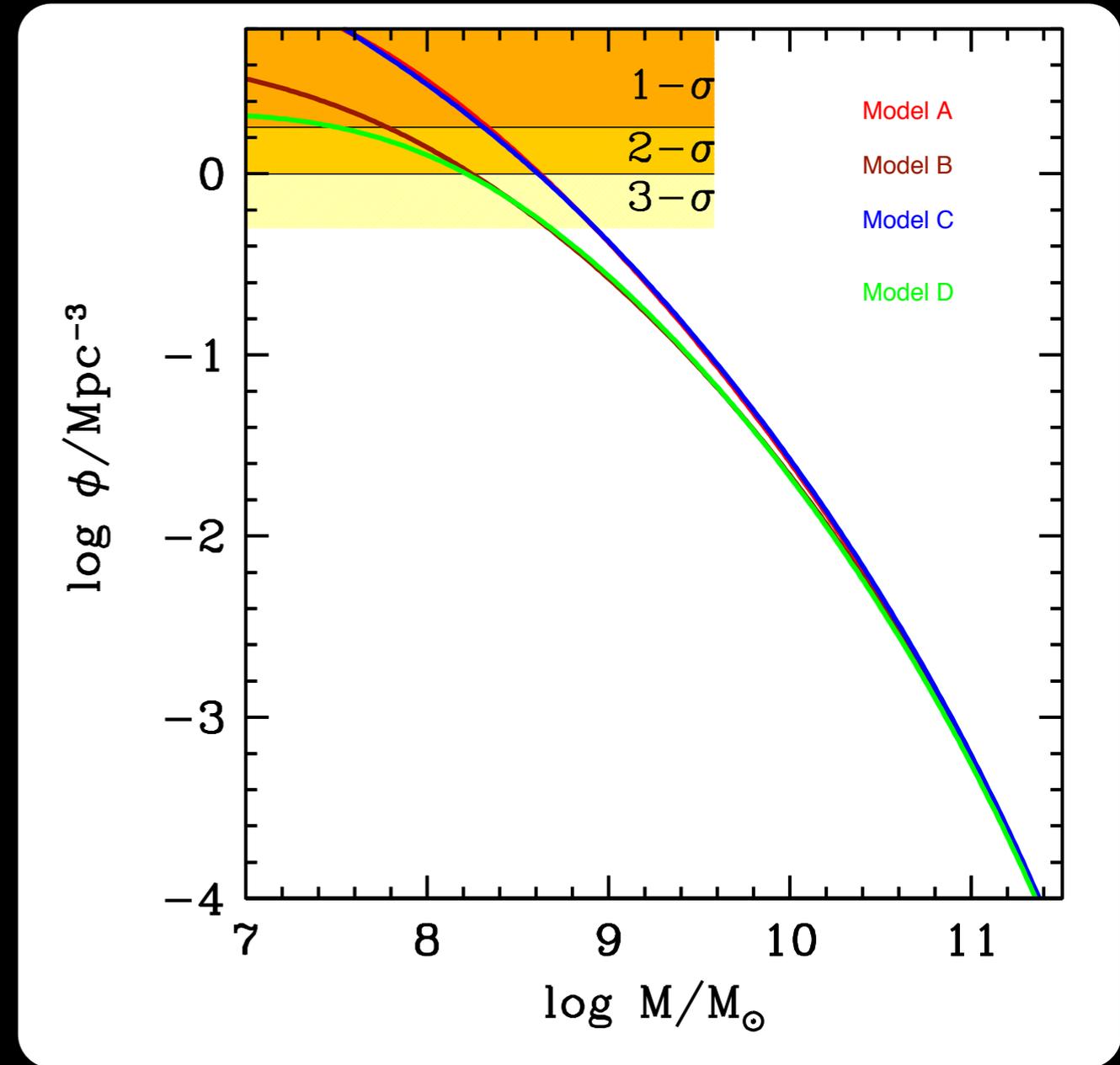
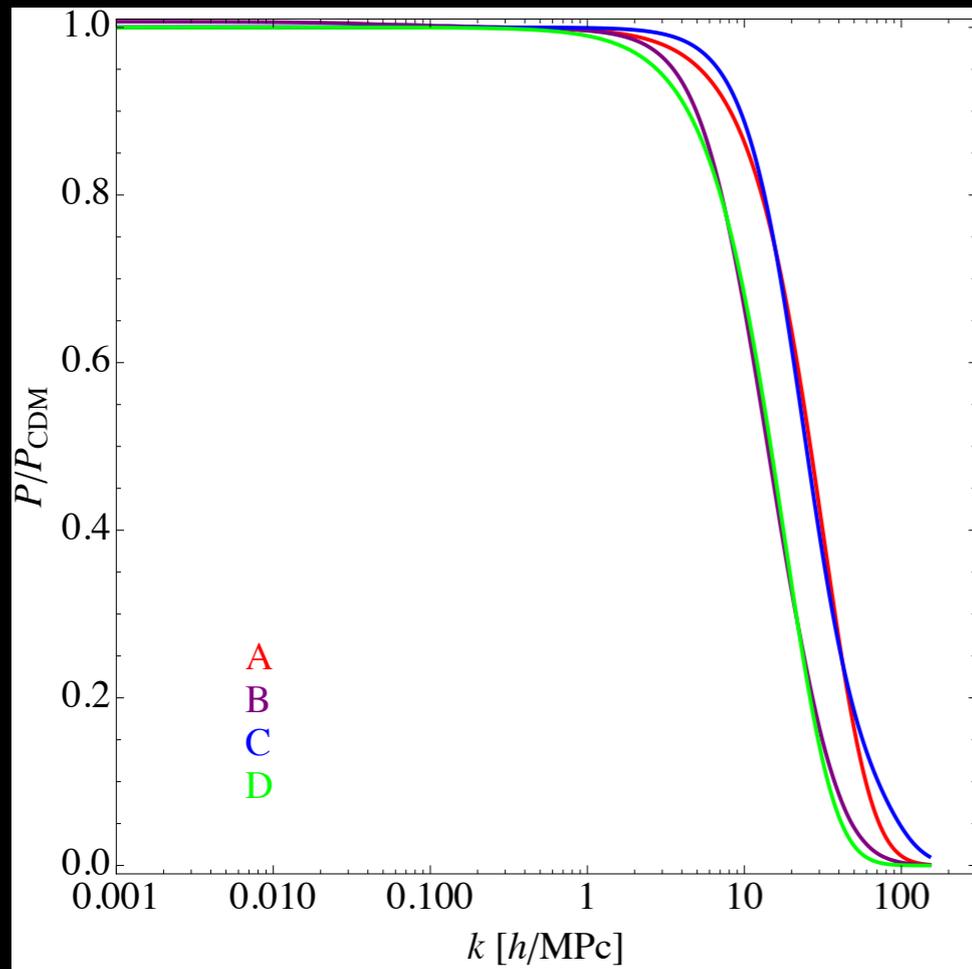
Alavi et al. 2015 $z=2$

Parsa et al. 2015 $z=3-4$

Livermore et al. 2016 $z>6$

The ultra-deep LF at $z=6$ constitute an extremely powerful probe

courtesy A. Merle



Bozek et al. 2015

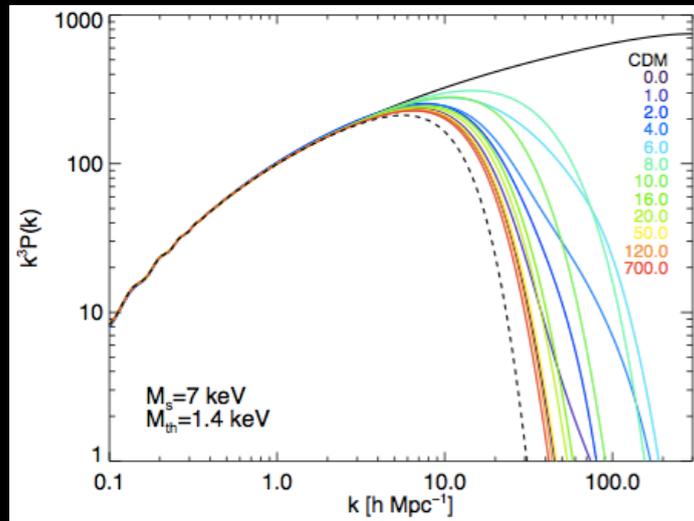
Non-Thermal Relics: Resonant Production of sterile neutrinos (Shi Fuller 1999)

NM, Merle Schneider, Toutzer, Sanchez Cstellano, Grazian in progress

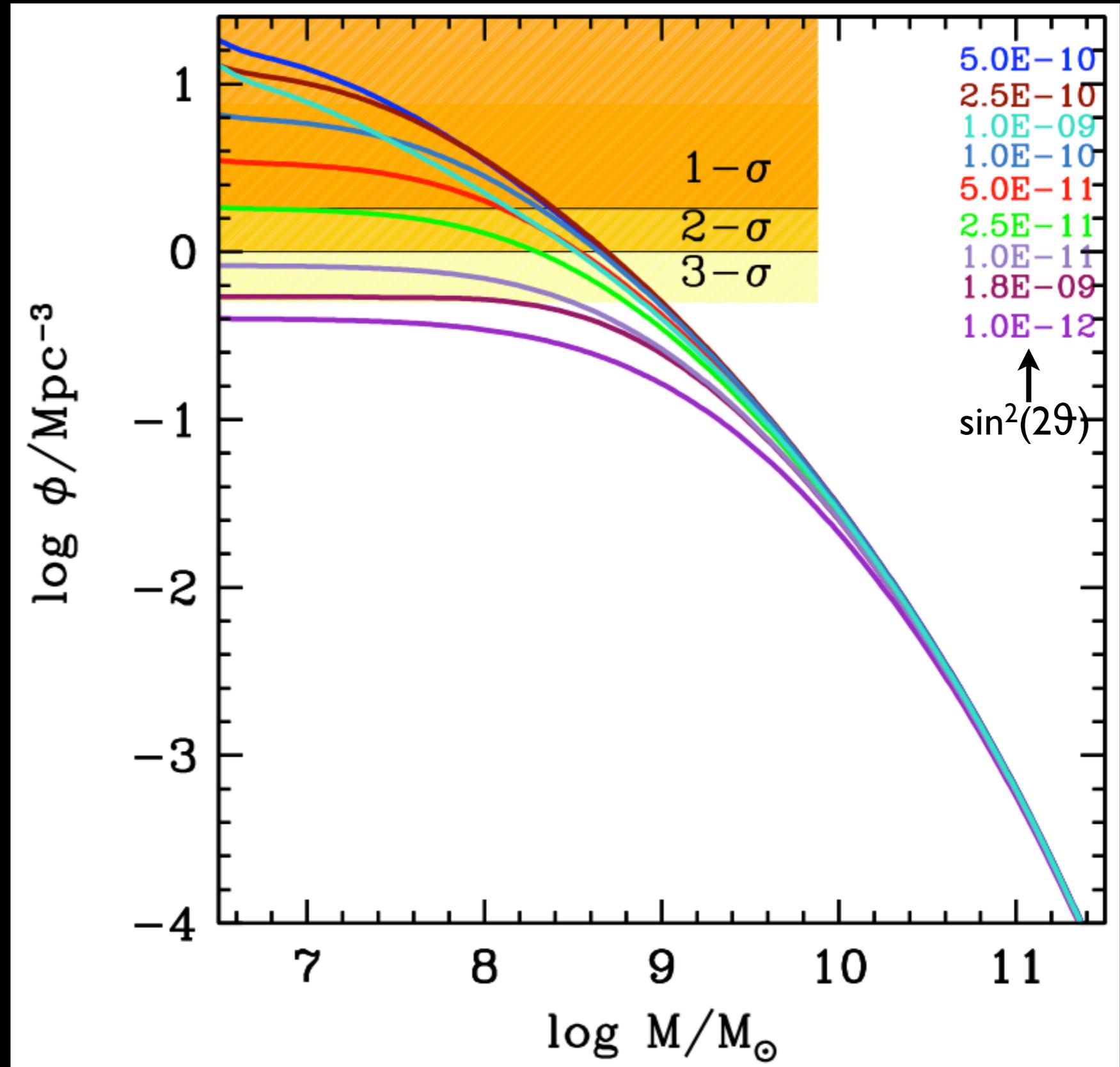
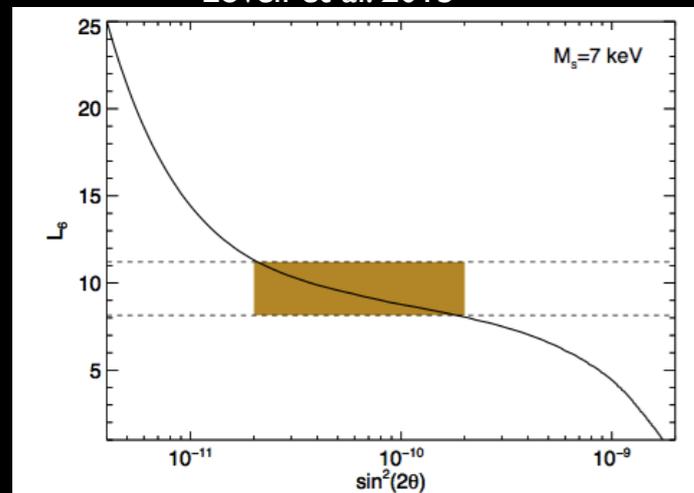
Off resonance with negligible lepton asymmetry: Dodelson Widrow scenario: mixing angles too large (conflicts with bounds from X-ray observations)

Sterile neutrinos could be produced from neutrino oscillations: for a given lepton asymmetry, oscillations on Mikheev–Smirnov–Wolfenstein (MSW) resonance generate a relic sterile neutrinos with a lower average momentum than in the DW case.

Lepton asymmetry related to mixing angle to reproduce observed DM density



Lovell et al. 2015

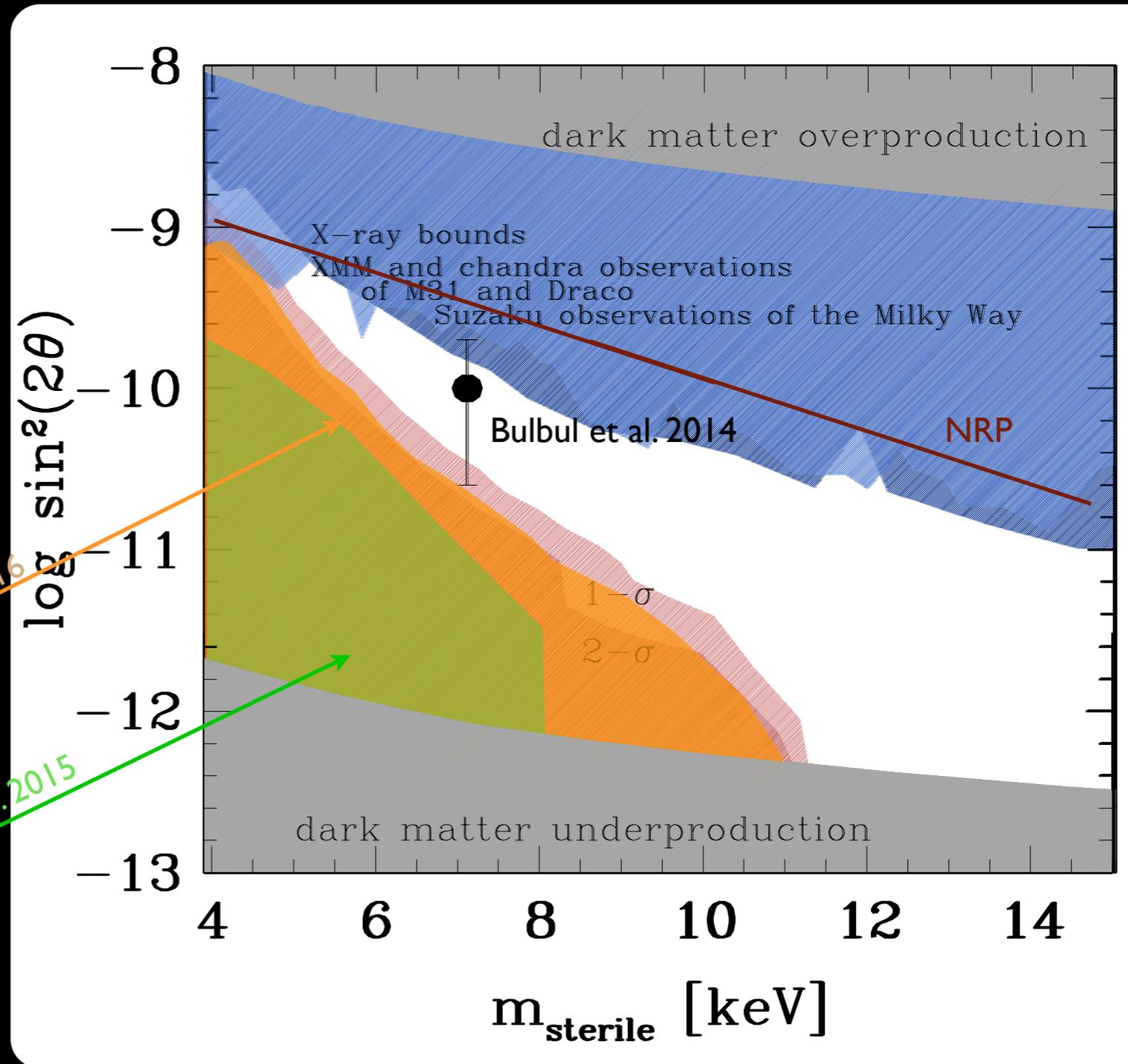


Resonant Production of sterile neutrinos: constraints on the $\sin^2(2\theta)$ - m_{sterile} plane

X-ray Bounds

$$\Gamma_{\nu_s \rightarrow \gamma \nu} \simeq 1.38 \times 10^{-22} \sin^2 2\theta \left(\frac{m_{\text{sn}}}{\text{keV}} \right)^5 s^{-1}$$

$$F_\gamma = \frac{\Gamma_{\nu_s \rightarrow \gamma \nu} \Omega_{\text{fov}}}{8\pi} \int_{\text{los}} dx \rho_{\text{DM}}(x)$$



Schneider et al. 2016

Lovell et al. 2015

Limits from Milky Way satellites: depend on

- assumed upper limit for MW mass
- assumed lower limit for satellite masses
- assumed isotropic distribution to correct SDSS observations for limited sky coverage
- assumed halo-to-halo variance

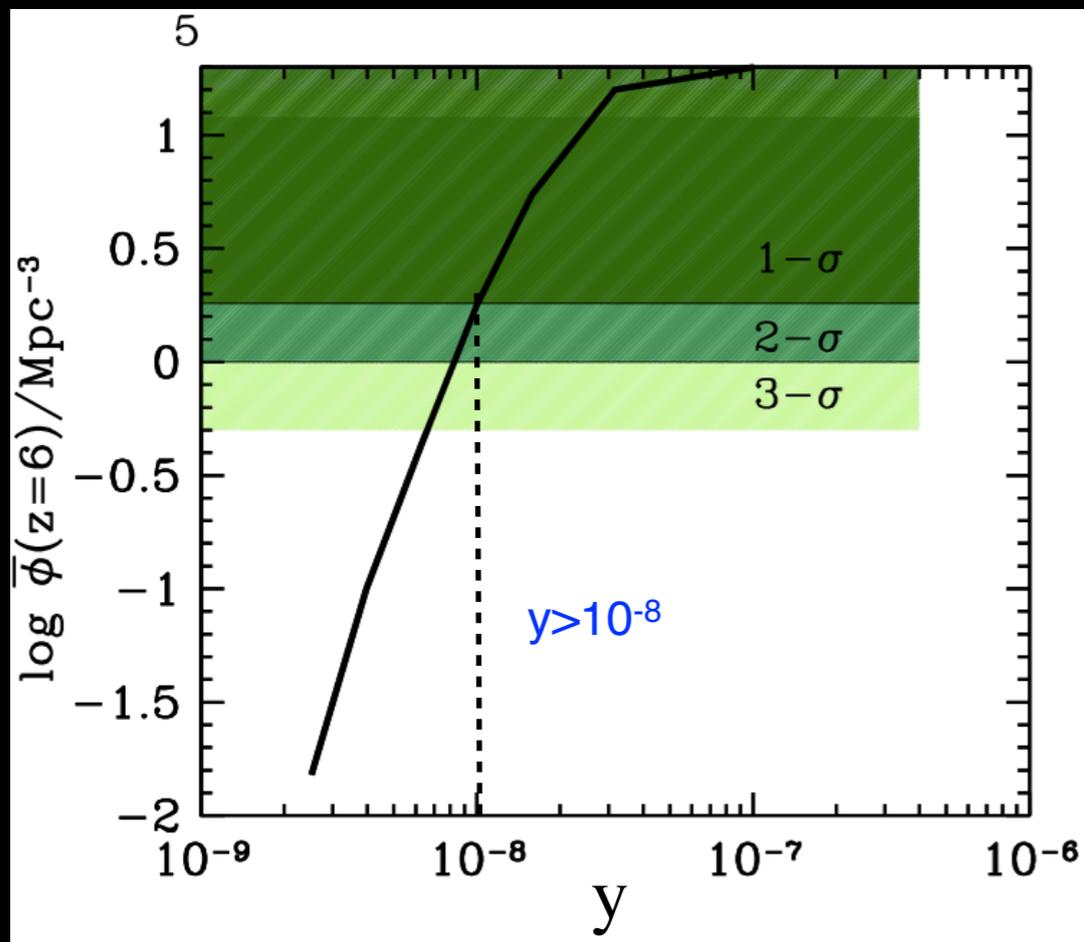
Sterile neutrinos from scalar decay (Merle et al. 2013)

Scalar field S coupled to the right-handed neutrino fields N . The most generic coupling is a Yukawa term with coupling strength y which, if the scalar develops a non-zero vacuum expectation value $\langle S \rangle$, leads to a Majorana mass $m_N = y\langle S \rangle$. If $\langle S \rangle \approx \text{GeV} - \text{TeV} \rightarrow y \sim 10^{-9} - 10^{-5}$ in order for the mass of the sterile neutrino to be in the keV-range.

y determines the decay time of the scalar.

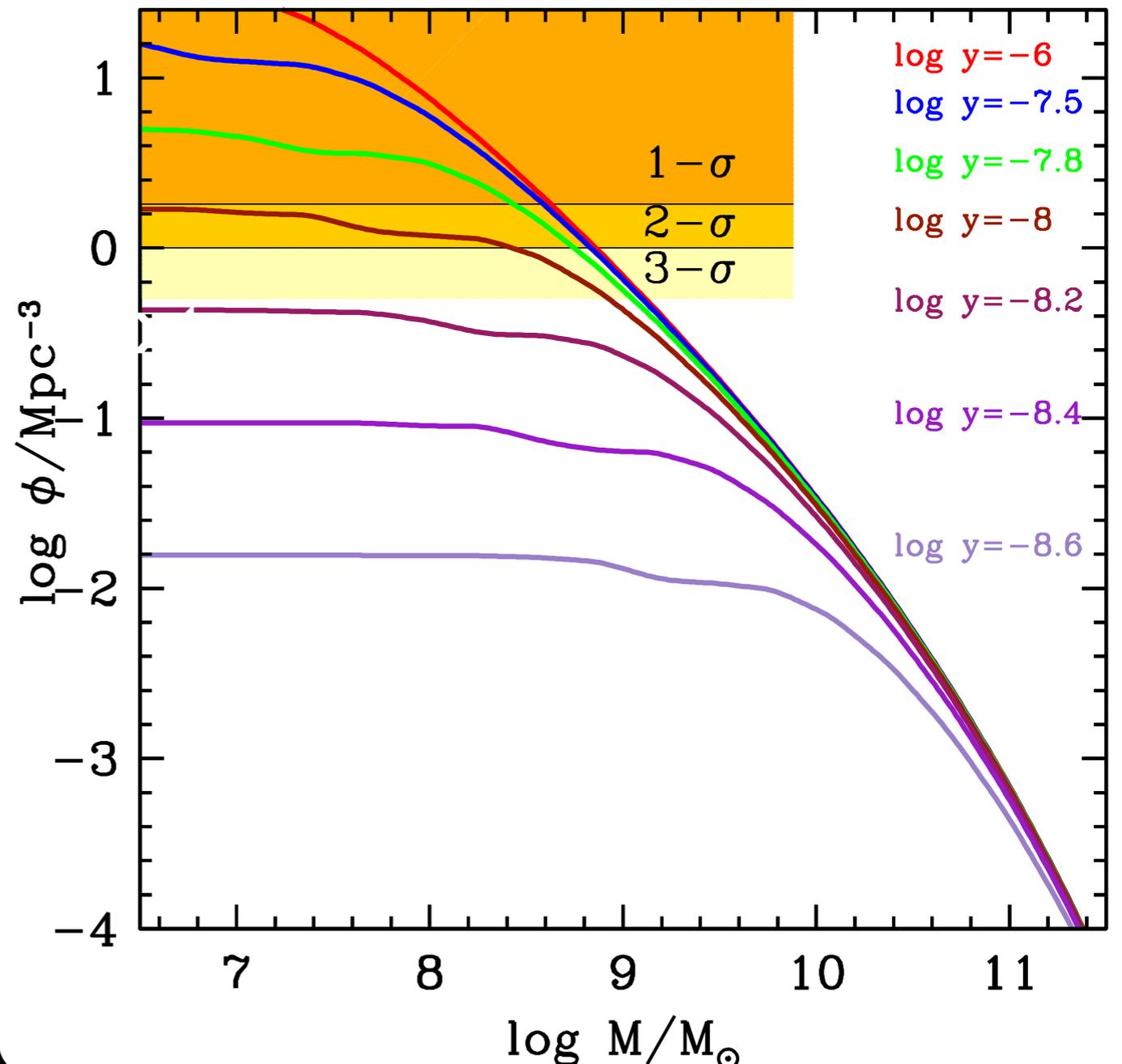
For a given sterile neutrino mass, matching the observed DM density leaves y as the only free parameter (for small Higgs portal coupling $\lambda \ll 10^{-6}$).

$y > 10^{-8}$ at 2- σ level for $m_{\text{sterile}} = 7 \text{ keV}$



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Scalar Decay FIMP $m_{\text{sterile}} = 7.1 \text{ keV}$

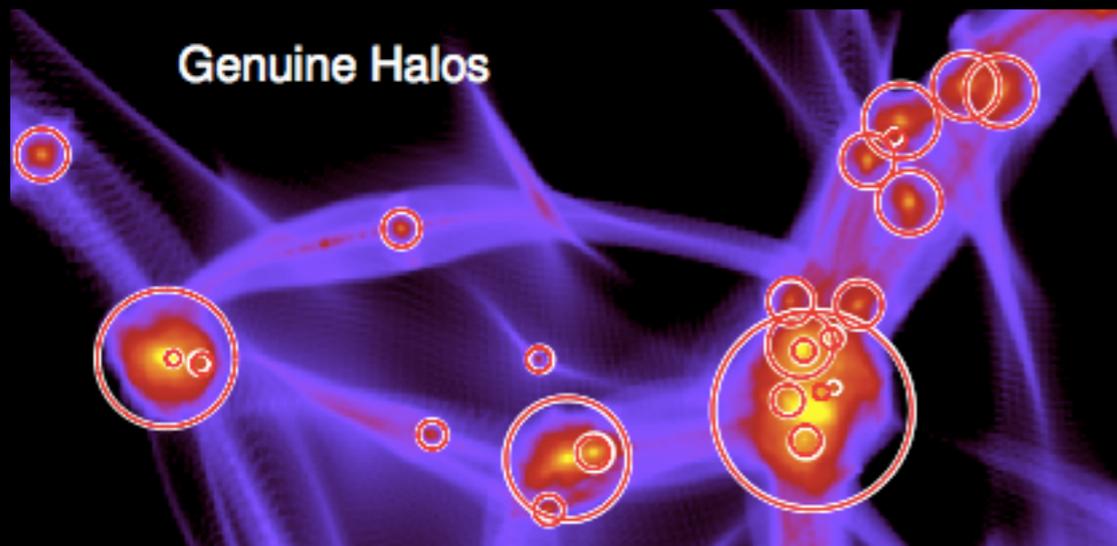


Wave DM - Fuzzy Dm: Bose condensate of ultra-light axion $m_\chi \sim 10^{-22}$ eV.

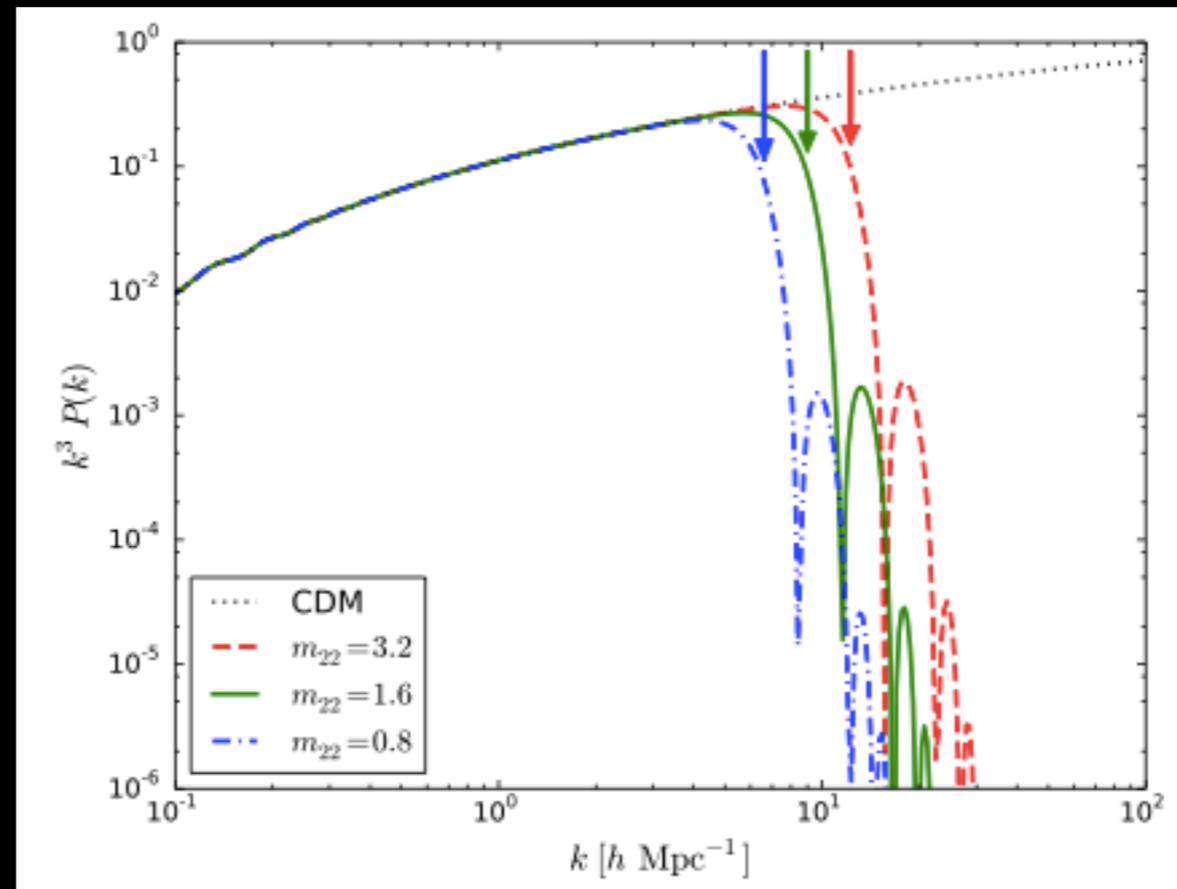
wavelike dark matter composed of a non-relativistic Bose-Einstein condensate, so the uncertainty principle counters gravity below a Jeans scale (see Hu et al. 2000)

coupling Schrodinger's equation to gravity via Poisson's equation: a new form of stress tensor from quantum uncertainty, giving rise to a comoving Jeans length $\lambda_J \propto (1+z)^{1/4} m_B^{-1/2}$

A distinct gravitationally self-bound solitonic core is found at the center of every halo, with a profile quite different from cores modeled in the warm or self-interacting dark matter scenarios.



Schive, Chiueh, Broadhurst 2014

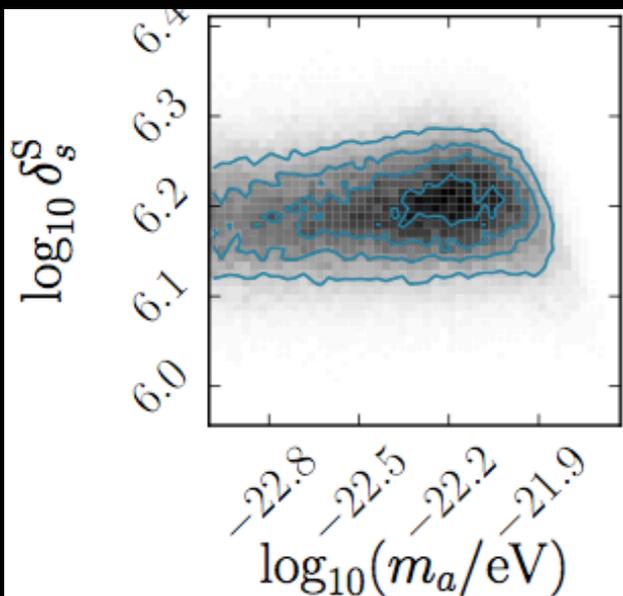
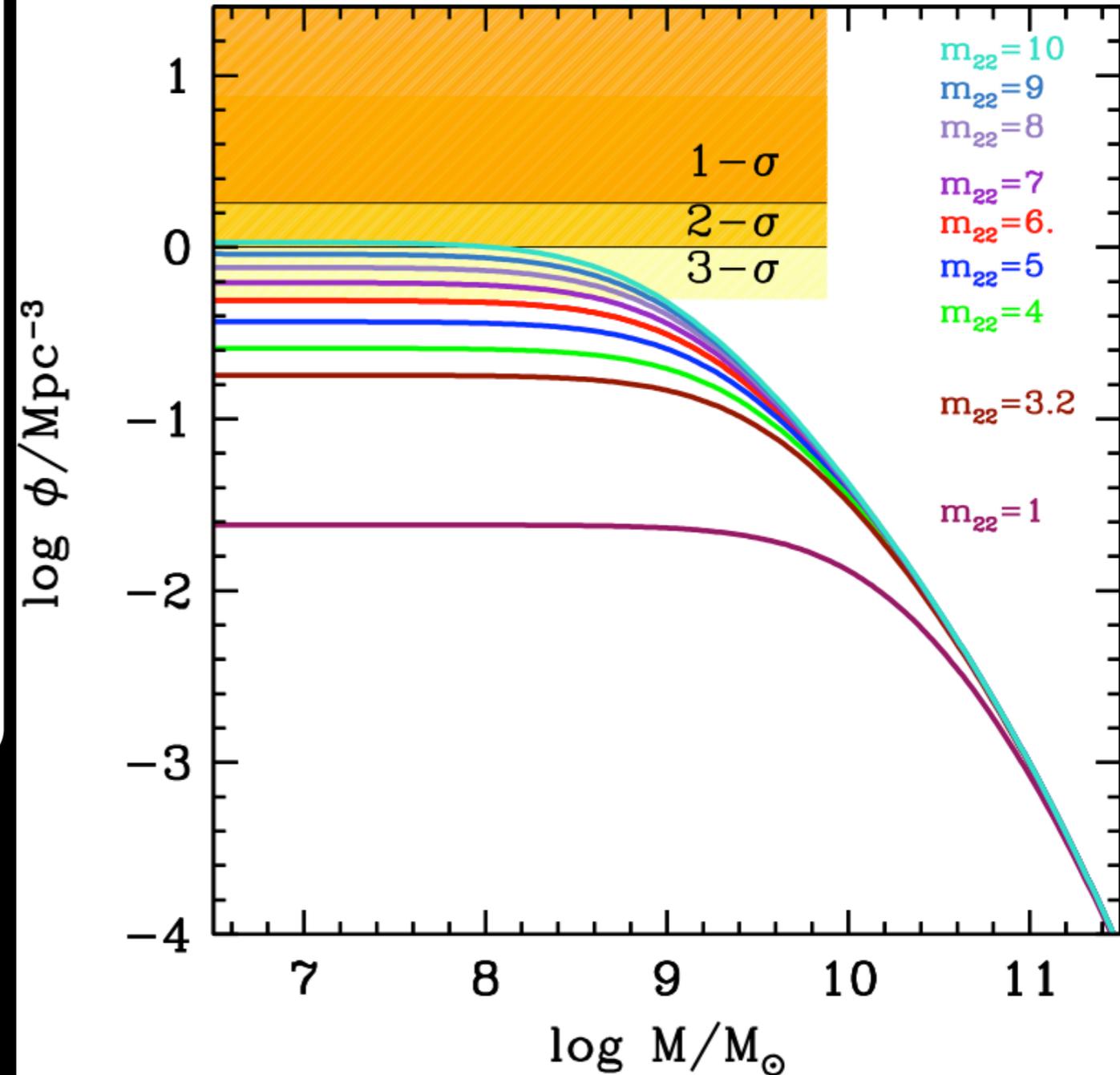
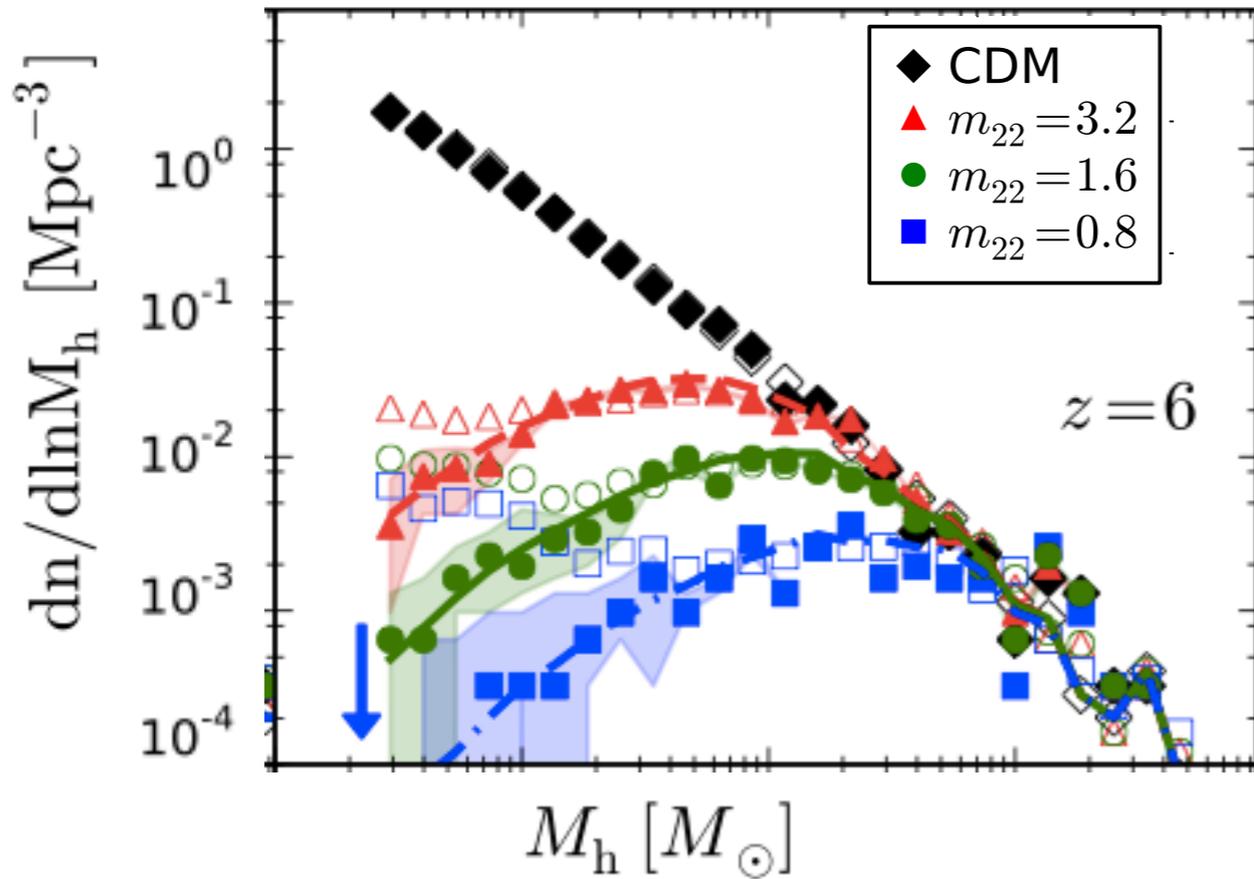


Wave DM - Fuzzy Dm: Bose condensate of ultra-light axion $m_\chi \sim 10^{-22}$ ev. Such class of models is ruled out

matching observed abundance of $z=6$ galaxies requires $m_{22} > 10$

Matching the dwarf profiles requires $m_{22} < 1.2$

Schive et al. 2016



Marsch et al. 2015

Conclusions

WDM models with spectra corresponding to thermal relic mass $m_\chi \sim \text{keV}$ constitute viable solutions provided $m_\chi < 4 \text{ keV}$ (models with larger m_χ are indistinguishable from CDM as far as galaxy formation is concerned)

The tremendous improvement in the observations of faint galaxies at high redshift through WFC3+lensing (HFF) allows to measure the abundance of $z=6$ galaxies down to $M_{UV}=-12.5$. This allows to set strong constraints on **DM models with suppressed power spectra**

independent of the modeling of astrophysical processes involving baryons

- **Thermal relics:** $m_\chi > 2.4 \text{ keV}$ at $2\text{-}\sigma$ level

- **Sterile neutrinos**

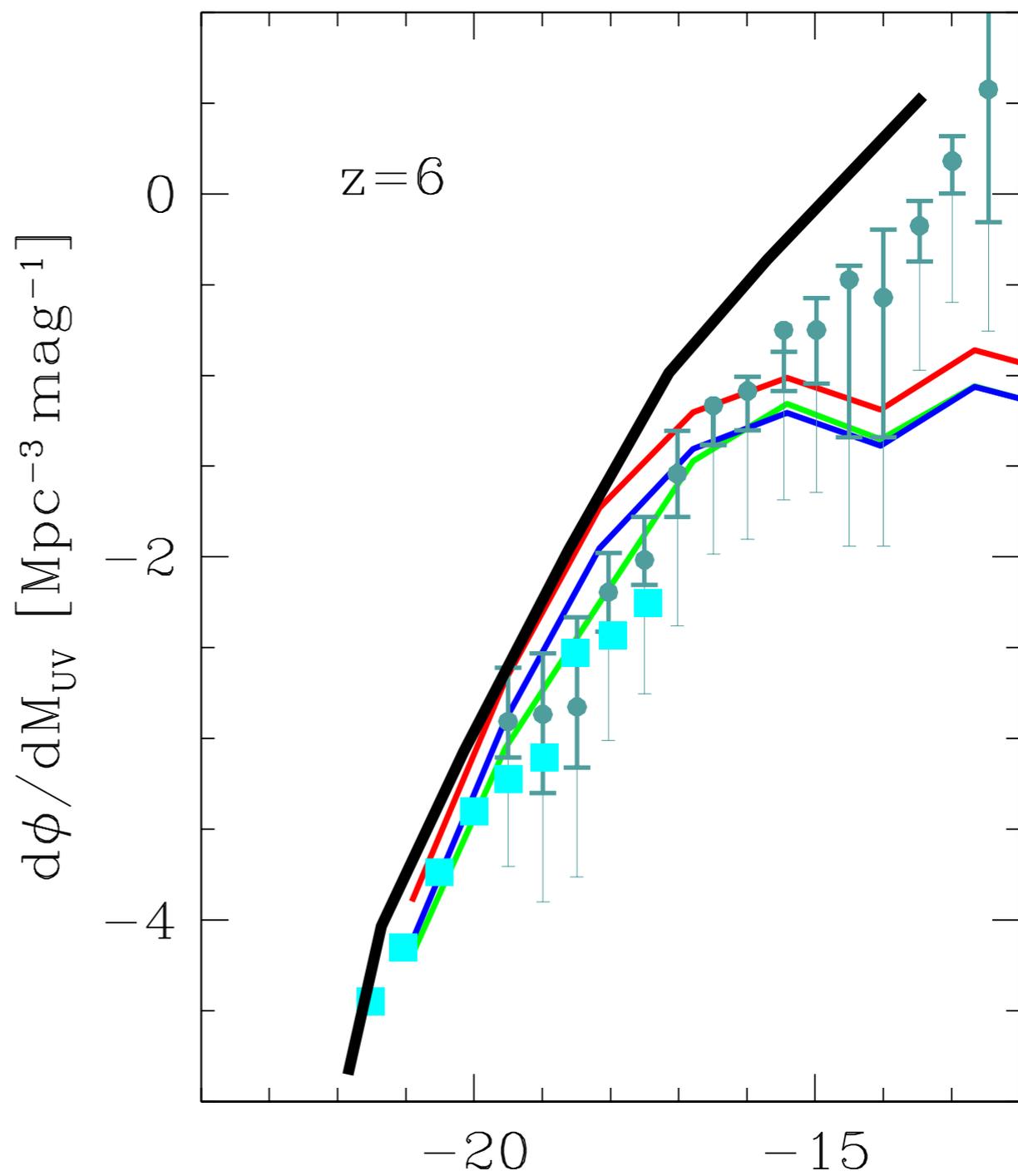
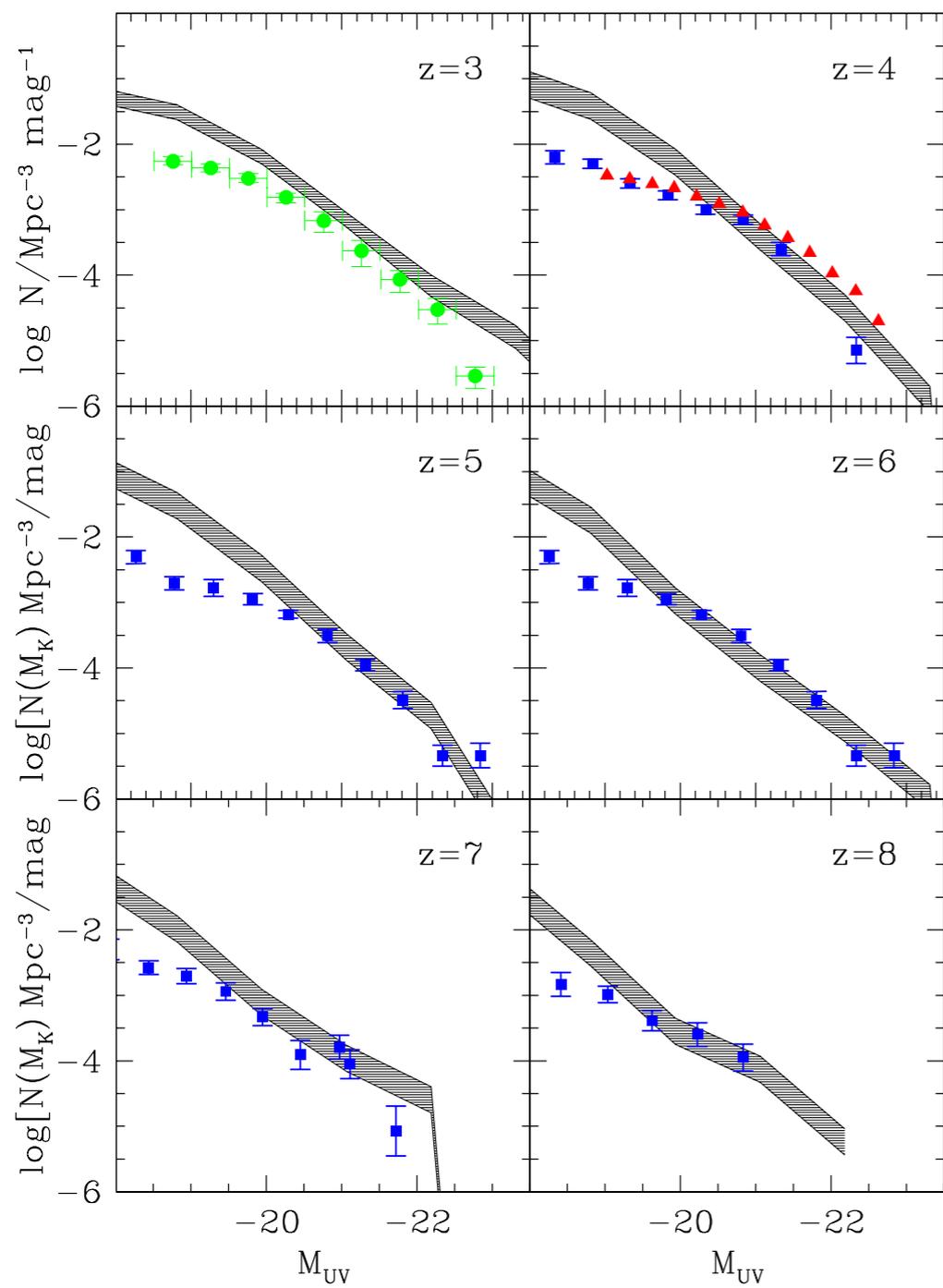
produced through Shi-Fuller: unprecedented lower limits for $\sin^2(2\theta)$ as a function of m_{sterile} .

E.g., for $m_{\text{sterile}}=7 \text{ keV}$ we obtain $-10.4 < \log \sin^2(2\theta) < -9.8$ at $2\text{-}\sigma$ level

produced through scalar decay (for small Higgs portal coupling $\lambda \ll 10^{-6}$)

$y > 10^{-8}$ at $2\text{-}\sigma$ level for $m_{\text{sterile}}=7 \text{ keV}$

- **Bose condensate of ultra-light axion $m_\chi \sim 10^{-22} \text{ eV}$ are ruled out: $m_\chi > 10^{-21} \text{ eV}$**



Mikheev–Smirnov–Wolfenstein

Constraints from X-ray emission from clusters and galaxies

if $m_s > m_\alpha$ the radiative decay $\nu_s \rightarrow \nu_\alpha + \gamma$ becomes allowed

$$E_\gamma = \frac{1}{2} m_s \left(1 - \frac{m_\alpha^2}{m_s^2} \right).$$

Emission lines in X-rays from DM concentrations:

- clusters (large signal but also large background)
- galaxies

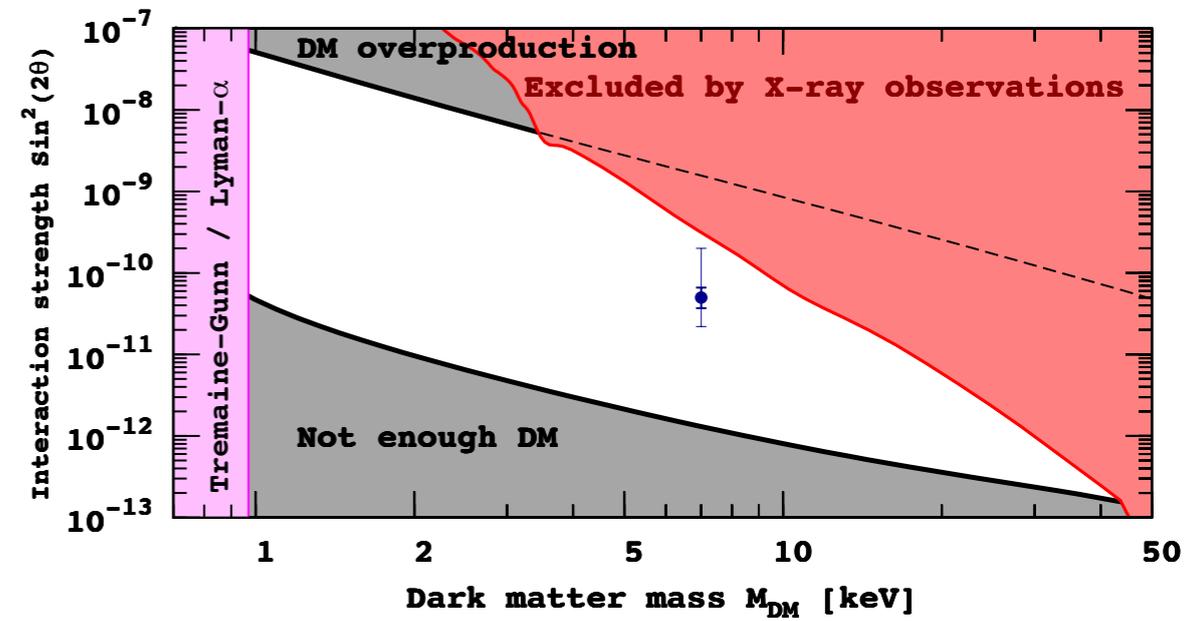
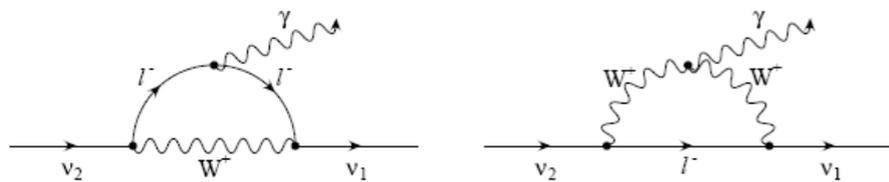
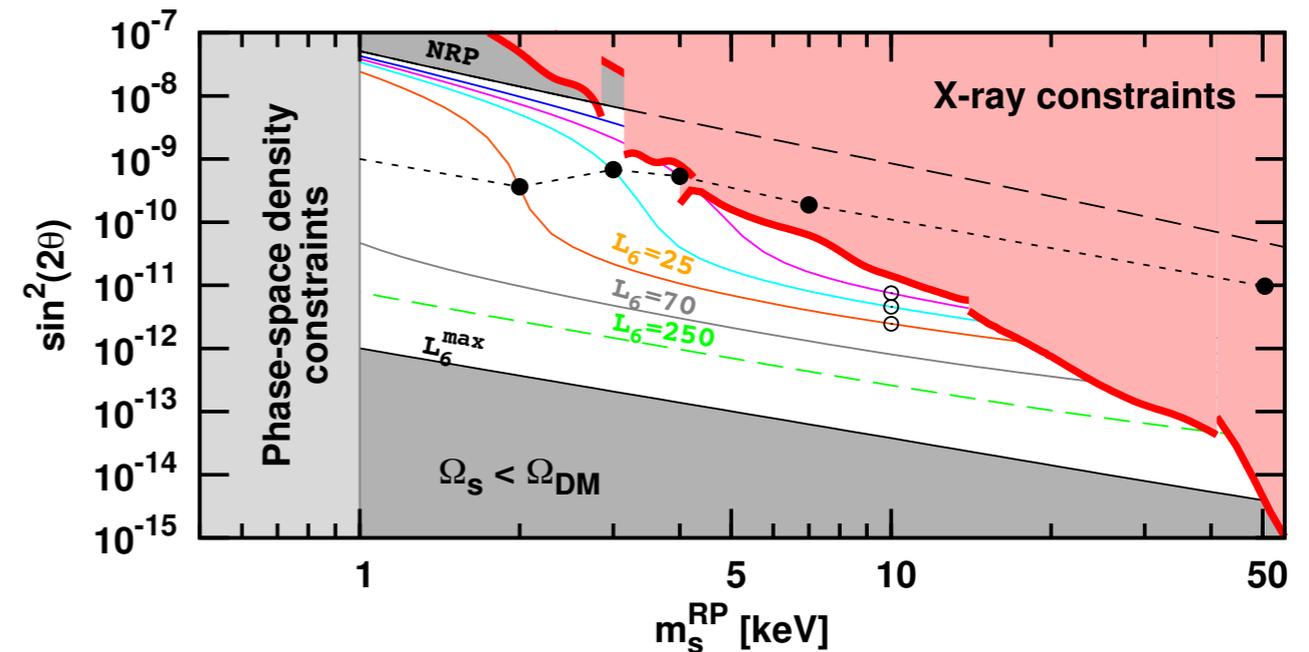


FIG. 4: Constraints on sterile neutrino DM within ν MSM [4]. The blue point would correspond to the best-fit value from M31 if the line comes from DM decay. Thick errorbars are $\pm 1\sigma$ limits on the flux. Thin errorbars correspond to the uncertainty in the DM distribution in the center of M31.

Boyarsky et al. 2014



Abazajian et al. 2001-2005



4.3 DM production in the ν MSM

In the ν MSM DM sterile neutrinos are produced in the early Universe due to their coupling to active neutrinos. An estimate of the rate of DM sterile neutrino production Γ_N at temperatures below the electroweak scale is given by [55]

$$\Gamma_N \sim \Gamma_\nu \theta_M^2(T), \quad (24)$$

where $\Gamma_\nu \sim G_F^2 T^5$ is the rate of active neutrino production, and where $\theta_M(T)$ is a temperature- (and momentum-) dependent mixing angle:

$$\theta_1^2 \rightarrow \theta_M^2(T) \simeq \frac{\theta_1^2}{\left(1 + \frac{2p}{M_1^2} (b(p, T) \pm c(T))\right)^2 + \theta_1^2}. \quad (25)$$

Here [56]

$$b(p, T) = \frac{16G_F^2}{\pi\alpha_W} p(2 + \cos^2 \theta_W) \frac{7\pi^2 T^4}{360}, \quad c(T) = 3\sqrt{2}G_F \left(1 + \sin^2 \theta_W\right) (n_{\nu_e} - n_{\bar{\nu}_e}), \quad (26)$$

where θ_W is the weak mixing angle, α_W is the weak coupling constant, and $p \sim$ few T is the typical momentum of created DM neutrinos. The term $c(T)$ in (25) is proportional to the *lepton asymmetry* and contributes with the opposite sign to the mixing of N_1 with active neutrinos and antineutrinos.

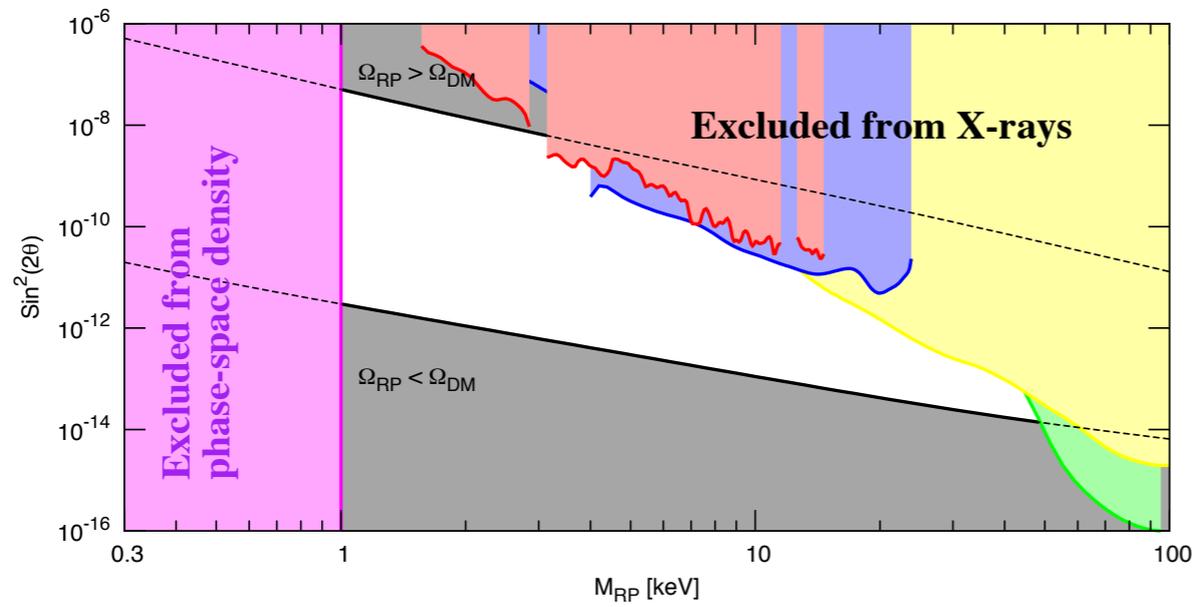
If the term $b(p, T)$ dominates $c(T)$ for $p \sim (2 - 3)T$ [which we refer to as non-resonant production *NRP*], the production rate (24) is strongly suppressed at temperatures above a few hundred MeV and peaks roughly at [28]

$$T_{peak} \sim 130 \left(\frac{M_1}{1 \text{ keV}}\right)^{1/3} \text{ MeV}, \quad (27)$$

The production of sterile neutrino DM may substantially change in the presence of lepton asymmetry. If the denominator in Eq. (25) is small,

$$1 + 2p \frac{b(p, T) \pm c(T)}{M_1^2} = 0, \quad (29)$$

then resonant production (*RP*) of sterile neutrinos [29] occurs, analogous to the



Window corresponds to resonant production
 Upper boundary - zero lepton asymmetry
 Lower boundary - maximal lepton asymmetry

Boyarsky et al 2009



6 – Sterile neutrino resonant production

In presence of a large lepton asymmetry, $\mathcal{L} \equiv (n_\nu - n_{\bar{\nu}})/n_\gamma$, matter effects become important and the mixing angle can be resonantly enhanced. [Shi,

Fuller, 1998; Abazajian et al., 2001

$$\sin^2 2\theta_m = \frac{\Delta^2(p) \sin^2 2\theta}{\Delta^2(p) \sin^2 2\theta + D^2 + (\Delta(p) \cos 2\theta - \frac{2\sqrt{2}\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} G_F T^3 \mathcal{L} + |V_T|)^2}$$

The mixing angle is maximal $\sin^2 2\theta_m = 1$ when the **resonant condition** is satisfied (with $\Delta(p) \equiv m_4^2/(2p)$)

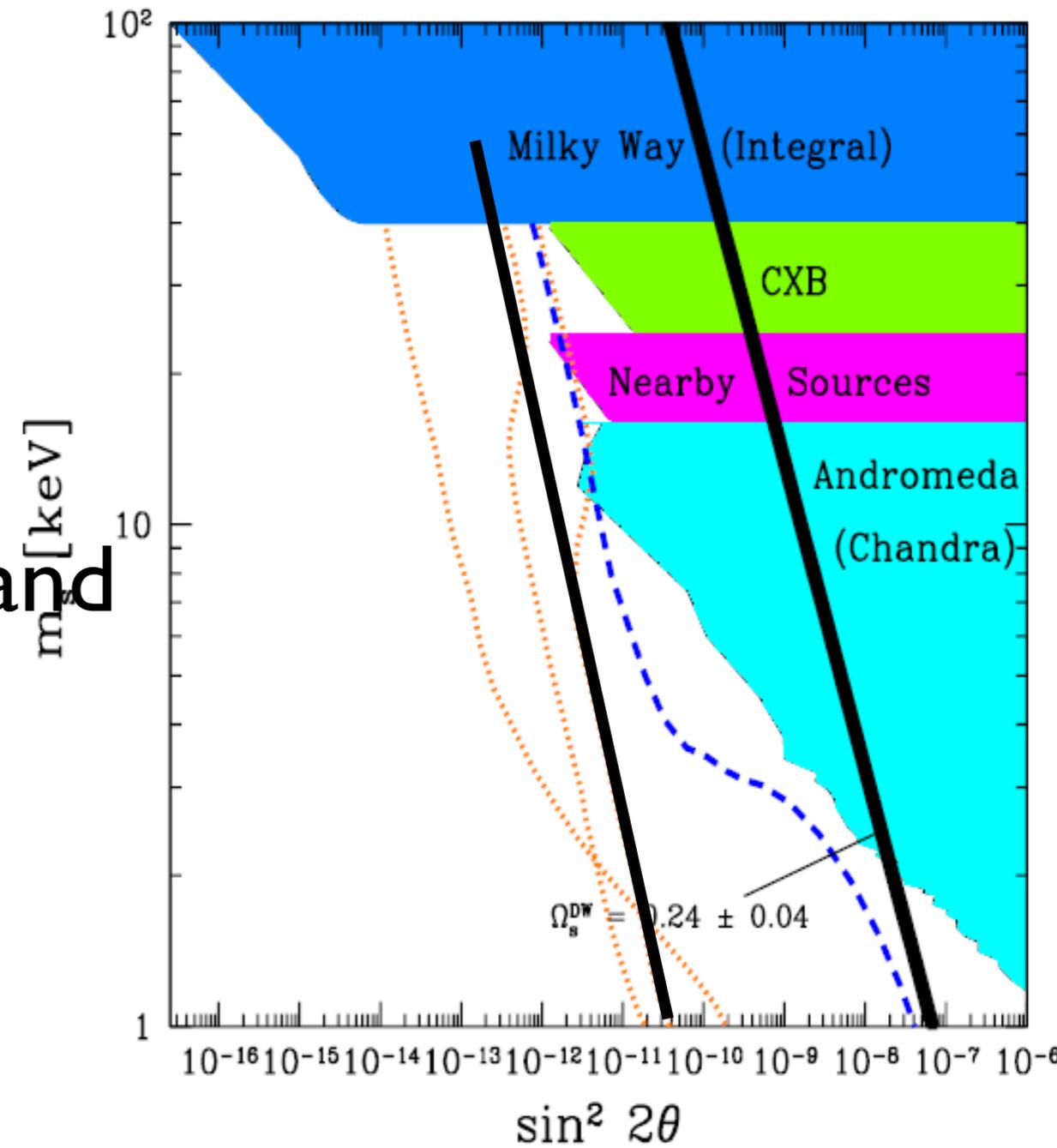
$$\Delta(p) \cos 2\theta - \frac{2\sqrt{2}\zeta(3)}{\pi^2} G_F T^3 \mathcal{L} + |V_T| = 0$$

$$\left(\frac{m_4}{1\text{keV}}\right)^2 \simeq 0.08 \frac{p}{T} \frac{\mathcal{L}}{10^{-4}} \left(\frac{T}{100\text{MeV}}\right)^4 + 2 \left(\frac{p}{T}\right)^2 \frac{B}{\text{keV}} \left(\frac{T}{100\text{MeV}}\right)^6$$

Sterile neutrinos are produced in primordial plasma through

- off-resonance oscillations. [Dodelson, Widrow; Abazajian, Fuller; Dolgov, Hansen; Asaka, Laine, Shaposhnikov et al.]
- oscillations on resonance, if the lepton asymmetry is non-negligible [Fuller, Shi]
- production mechanisms which do not involve oscillations
 - inflaton decays directly into sterile neutrinos [Shaposhnikov, Tkachev] – Higgs physics: both mass and production [AK, Petraki]

Limits from the X-ray emission from clusters and galaxies



Very small mixing ($\sin^2 2\theta \lesssim 10^{-7}$) **between**

mass $|\nu_{1,2}\rangle$ **&**

flavor $|\nu_{\alpha,s}\rangle$ **states:**

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \cos\theta|\nu_1\rangle + \sin\theta|\nu_2\rangle$$

$$|\nu_s\rangle = -\sin\theta|\nu_1\rangle + \cos\theta|\nu_2\rangle$$

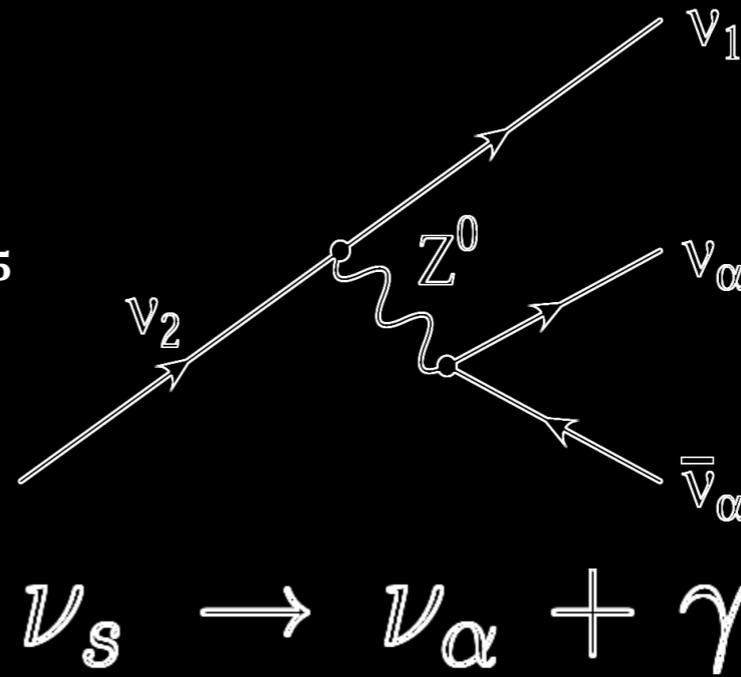
For $m_s < m_e$,

3ν Decay Mode Dominates:

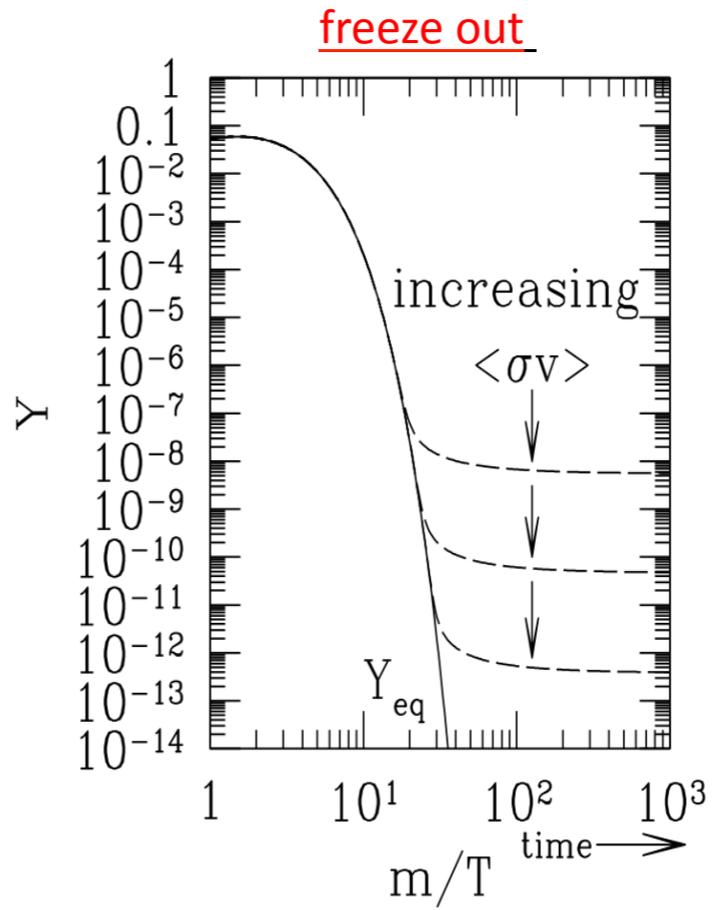
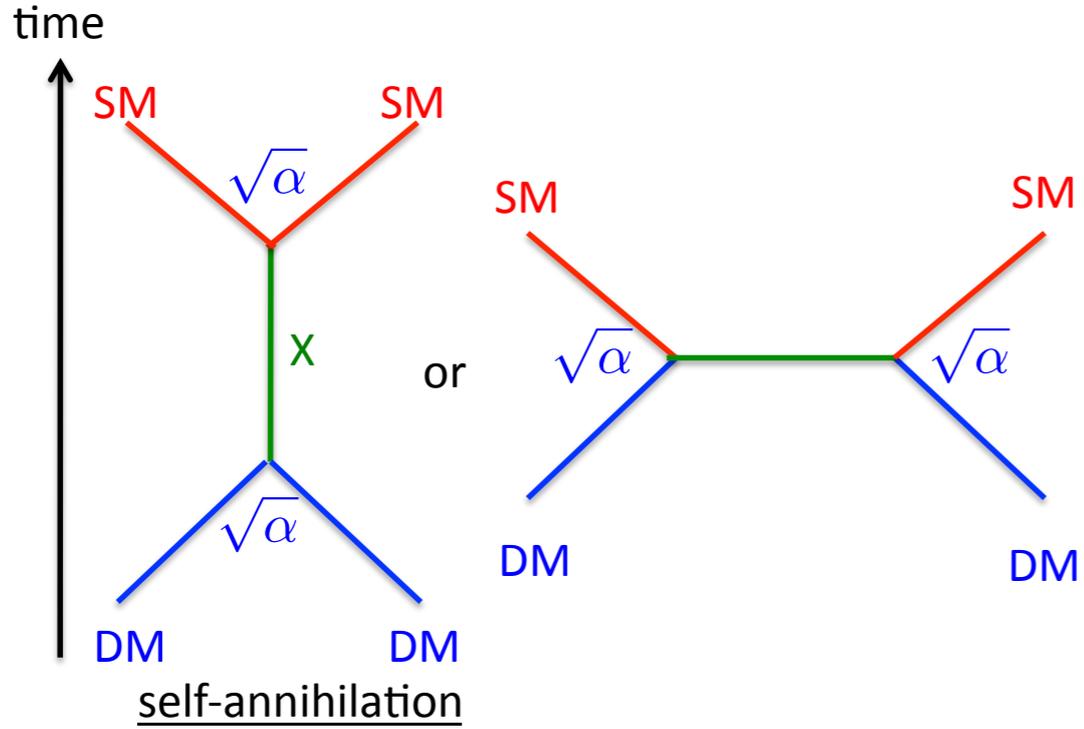
$$\Gamma_{3\nu} \simeq 1.74 \times 10^{-30} s^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{10^{-10}} \right) \left(\frac{m_s}{\text{keV}} \right)^5$$

Radiative Decay Rate is:

$$\Gamma_s \simeq 1.36 \times 10^{-32} s^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin^2 2\theta}{10^{-10}} \right) \left(\frac{m_s}{\text{keV}} \right)^5$$



WIMP



$$\Omega h^2 \approx \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle\sigma_{ann} v\rangle}$$

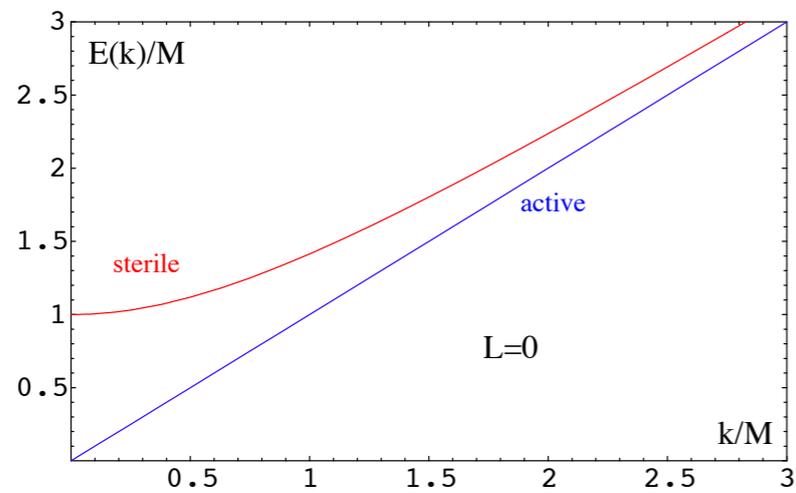
$$\langle\sigma_{ann} v\rangle \sim 10^{-25} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1} \left(\frac{\alpha}{10^{-2}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_X}\right)^2$$



Electro Weak Scale ($\sim 100 \text{ GeV}$) WIMP naturally explains the relic abundance.

TeV scale SUSY & neutralino dark matter

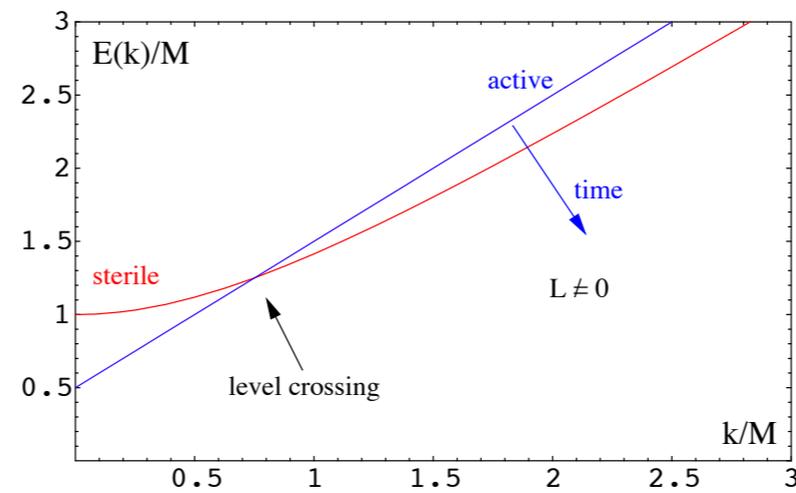
Dispersional relations for active and sterile neutrinos (from real part)



Transitions $\nu \rightarrow N_1$

Dodelson-Widrow

Zero lepton asymmetry



Resonant transitions

Shi-Fuller

Lepton asymmetry
created in $N_{2,3}$ decays

Dark matter and the Lyman- α forest.

The bounds depend on the production mechanism.

$$\lambda_{FS} \approx 1 \text{ Mpc} \left(\frac{\text{keV}}{m_s} \right) \left(\frac{\langle p_s \rangle}{3.15 T} \right)_{T \approx 1 \text{ keV}}$$

The ratio

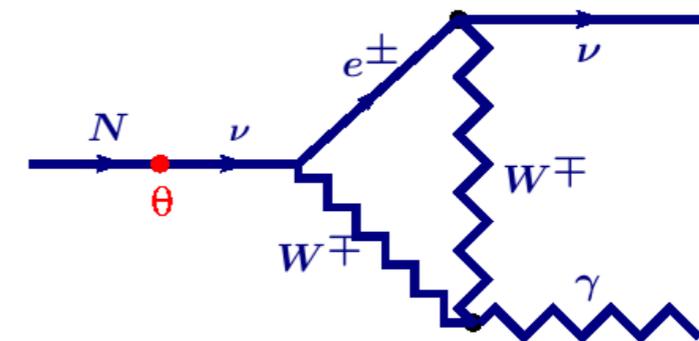
$$\left(\frac{\langle p_s \rangle}{3.15 T} \right)_{T \approx 1 \text{ keV}} = \begin{cases} 0.9 & \text{for production off - resonance} \\ 0.6 & \text{for MSW resonance (depends on } L) \\ 0.2 & \text{for production at } T > 100 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$$

- Photon energy:

$$E_\gamma = \frac{M_1}{2}$$

- Radiative decay width

$$\Gamma = \frac{9\alpha_{EM} G_F^2}{256\pi^4} \theta^2 M_1^5$$



Dark matter made of sterile neutrino is not completely dark

Where to look for DM decay line?

- Extragalactic diffuse X-ray background (XRB) Dolgov & Hansen, 2000; Abazajian et al., 2001
Mapelli & Ferrara, 2005; **Boyarsky et al. 2005**

- Clusters of galaxies Abazajian et al., 2001
Boyarsky et al. astro-ph/0603368

- DM halo of the Milky Way.
Signal increases as we increase FoV! **Boyarsky et al. astro-ph/0603660**
Riemer-Sørense et al. astro-ph/0603661
Boyarsky, Nevalainen, O.R. (in preparation)

- Local Group galaxies **Boyarsky et al. astro-ph/0603660**
Watson et al. astro-ph/0605424

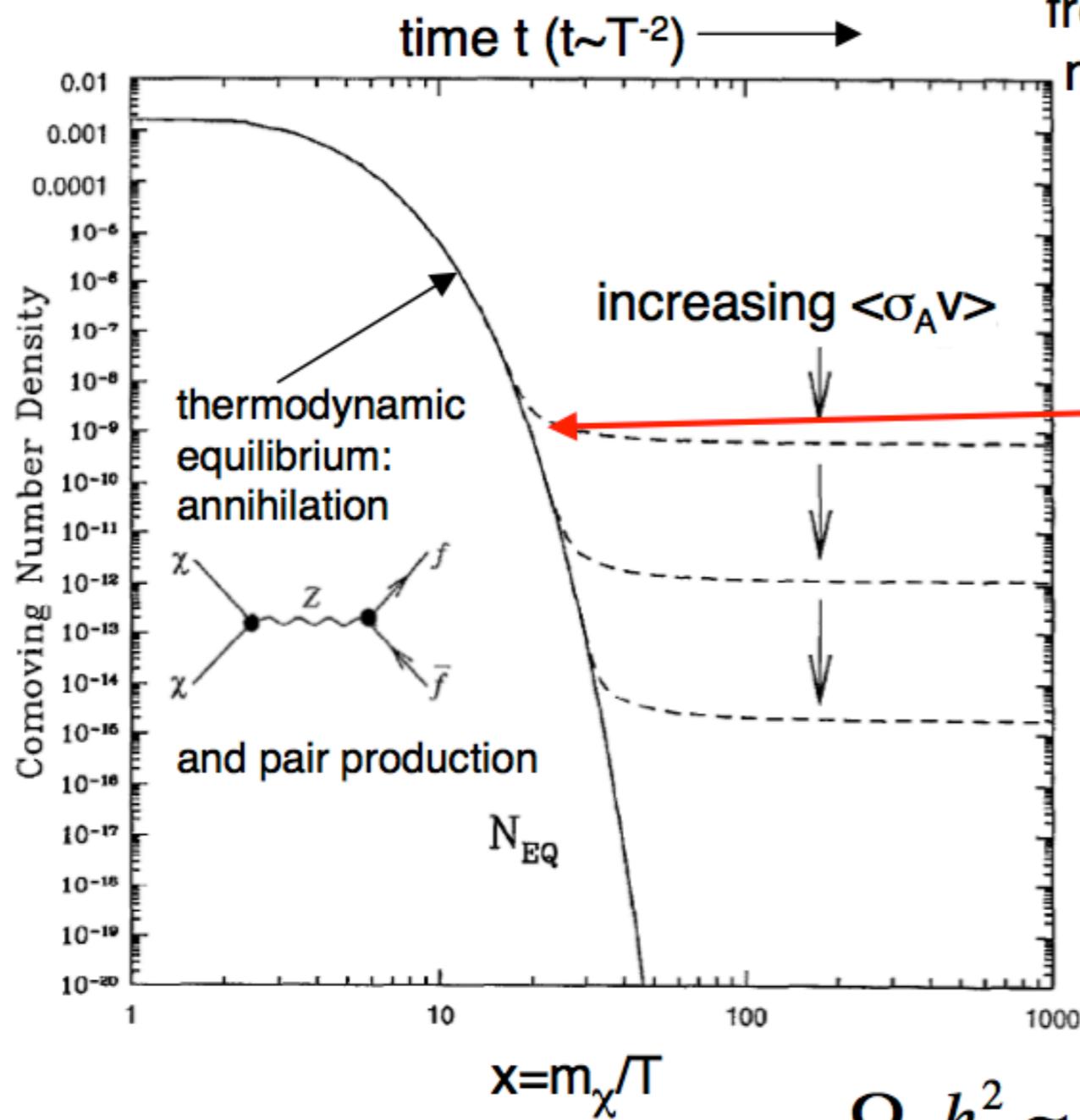
- “Bullet” cluster 1E 0657-56 **Boyarsky, Markevitch, O.R.** (in preparation)

- Cold nearby clusters **Boyarsky, Vikhlinin, O.R.** (in preparation)

- Soft XRB **Boyarsky, Neronov, O.R.** (in preparation)

Need to find the best ratio between the DM decay *signal* and object's X-ray emission

CDM as particle Dark Matter



freeze-out of a weakly interacting massive particle (WIMP χ) when reaction rate drops below expansion rate

$$T_{\text{freeze-out}} \sim 1/20 \times m(\text{WIMP})$$

Cold Dark Matter:
 \triangleright non-relativistic

“survival of the weakest”

At or below the weak scale

$$\Omega_\chi h^2 \approx \frac{m_\chi n_\chi}{\rho_c} \approx \frac{3 \times 10^{-27} \text{ cm}^3 / \text{sec}}{\langle\sigma_A v\rangle}$$

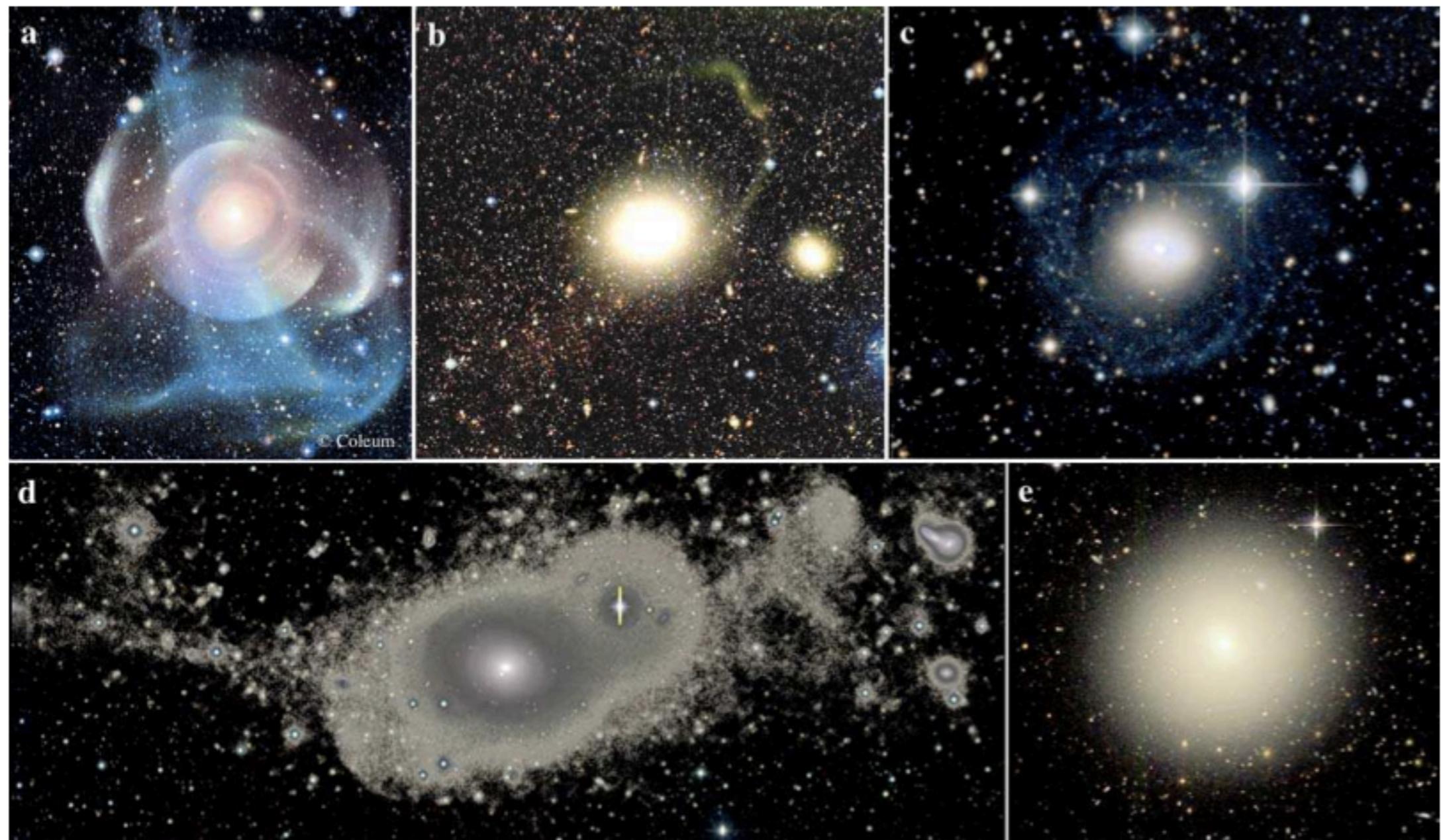


Figure 1. Deep optical images of a sub-sample of nearby Early-Type Galaxies obtained with MegaCam on the CFHT as part of the ATLAS^{3D} and Next Generation Virgo Cluster Survey. The figure illustrates the variety of low surface brightness structures that show up around these galaxies: long tidal tails and shells, telling us about past major mergers (a,d); narrow stellar filaments associated with disrupted dwarf satellites, revealing future minor mergers (b); regular low surface brightness star-forming disks (c); extended featureless stellar halos (e).

The Next Generation Virgo Cluster Survey. IV. NGC 4216: A Bombarded Spiral in the Virgo Cluster Paudel et al. 2014

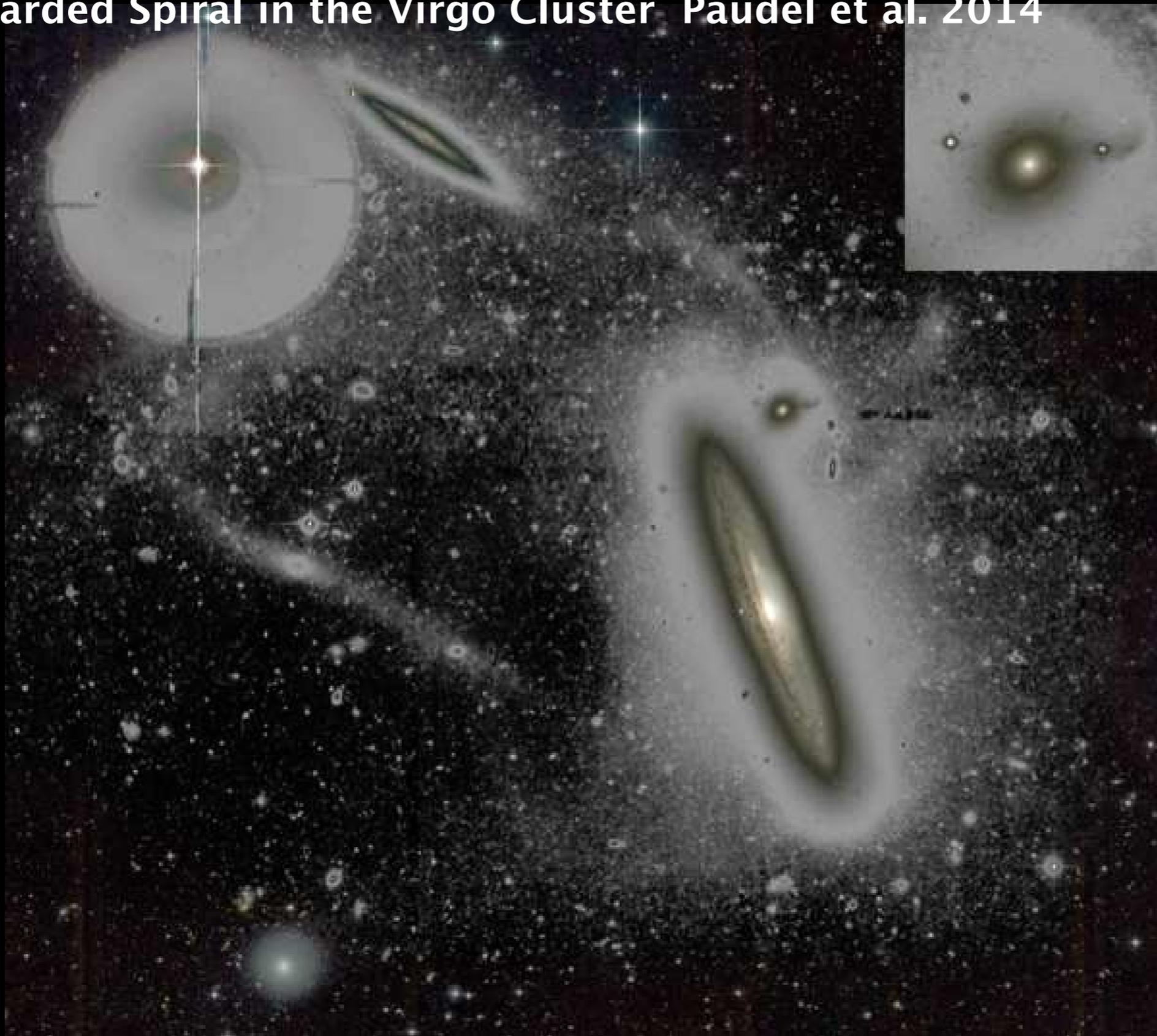


FIG. 1.— Composite NGVS image of the field around NGC 4216. A monochromatic g -band image for which the faintest point-like stars have been subtracted is shown with a grey scale. For regions above a surface brightness level ~ 24 mag arcsec $^{-2}$, and in empty sky regions far from the main galaxy, a true color image (composite of g , i , z -band images) is superimposed. North is up, East is left and the field of view is 20×17 arcmin. The image in the inset on the upper right corner is a zoom towards VCC 165, the closest companion of NGC 4216.