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# “Dark” RELHICs in the Local Group

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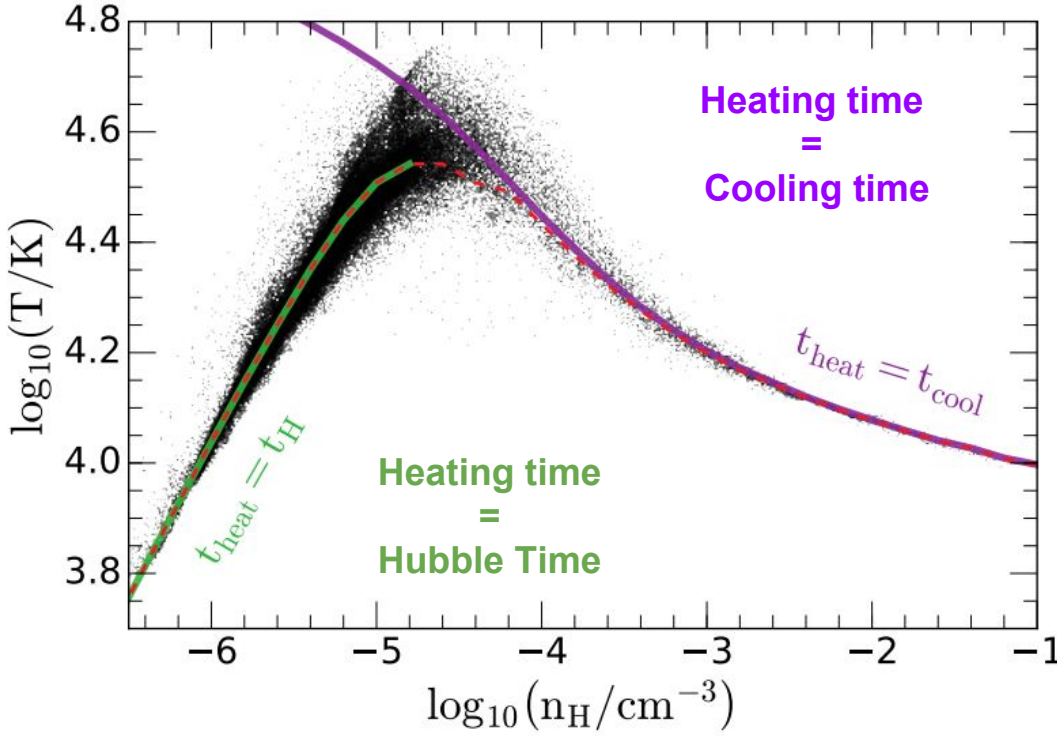
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# Motivation

- **A distinctive prediction of LCDM** is that the LG must be surrounded by low-mass systems (White 1974), which overwhelm the number of observed galaxies by orders of magnitude (Klypin 1999; Moore 1999).
- Reionization prevents low-mass halos ( $M_{200} < 10^9 M_{\odot}$ ) from forming stars, thus making them effectively “dark”. (Bullock et al. 2000, Benítez-Llambay et al. 2015; Sawala et al. 2016)
- The gas that remains in “dark” systems is in hydrostatic equilibrium with the dark matter halo (e.g, Rees 1986) --> **We need robust predictions.**

# Temperature-Density relation of RELHICs



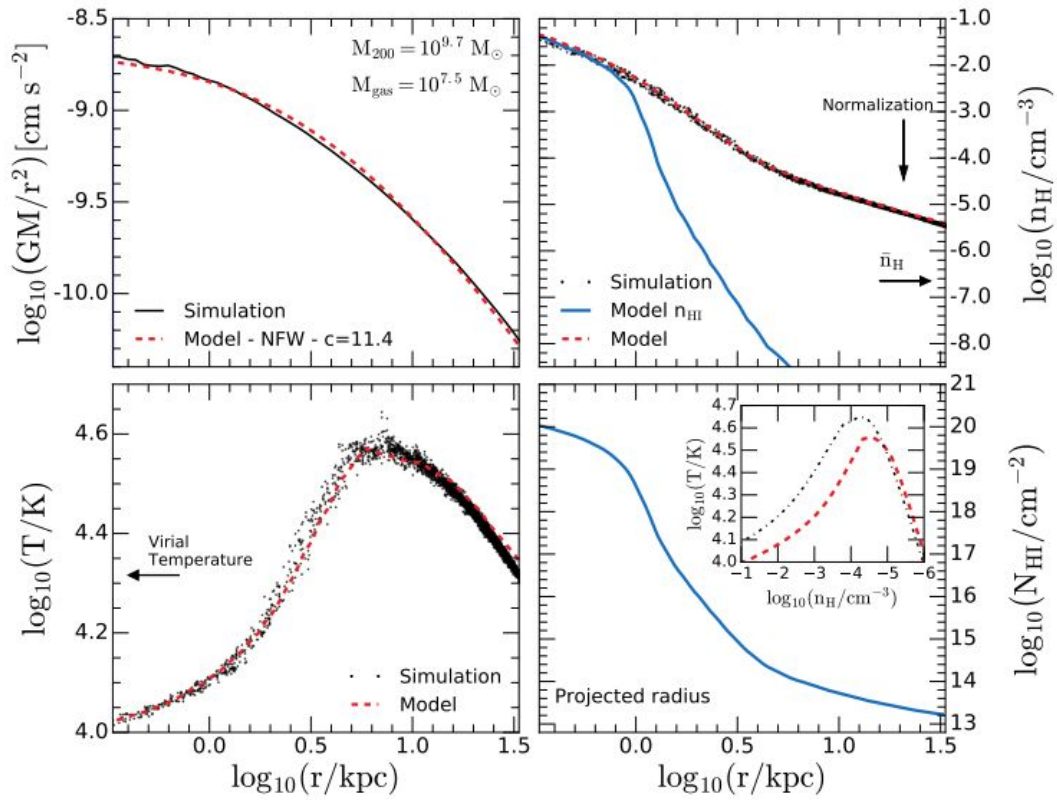
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Blue lines: HI density (top right) and HI column density (bottom left) calculated using fitting formula of Rahmati +13

# UCHVCs as RELHICs [arXiv:1609.01301](https://arxiv.org/abs/1609.01301)

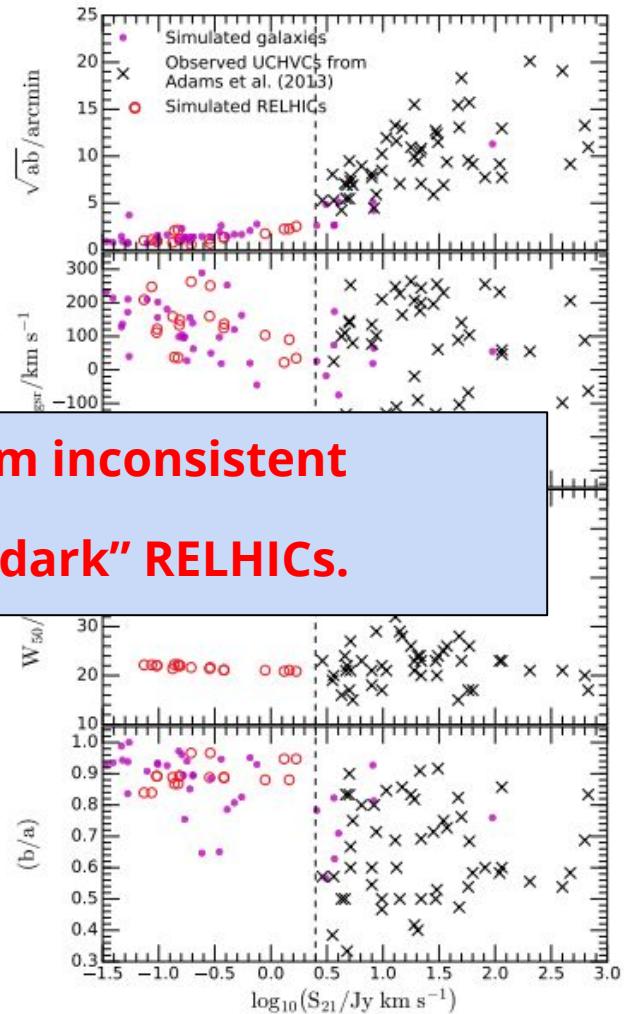
- We compared the properties of simulated RELHICs to those of UCHVCs from ALFALFA (Adams et al. 2013).

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- However, simulated low-mass galaxies have properties compatible with some UCHVCs. After all, Leo P was discovered as an UCHVCs.



# Conclusions

- LCDM + reionization predicts that the Local Group should be teemed by low-mass halos that failed to form a galaxy in their centres ( $M_{\text{vir}} < 3 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$ ).
- We developed an analytical model to predict their thermodynamics properties in detail. This model has proven to be successful in describing the properties of simulated RELHICs.
- We predict that RELCHIs should have **(i) positive galactocentric velocities, (ii) be round ( $a/b > 0.8$ ) , (iii) low HI fluxes, (iv) very small angular diameter and (v) a well-defined thermal broadening.**
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