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Why the Bullet Cluster tells us less about
Self-Interacting Dark Matter than we
might have hoped...

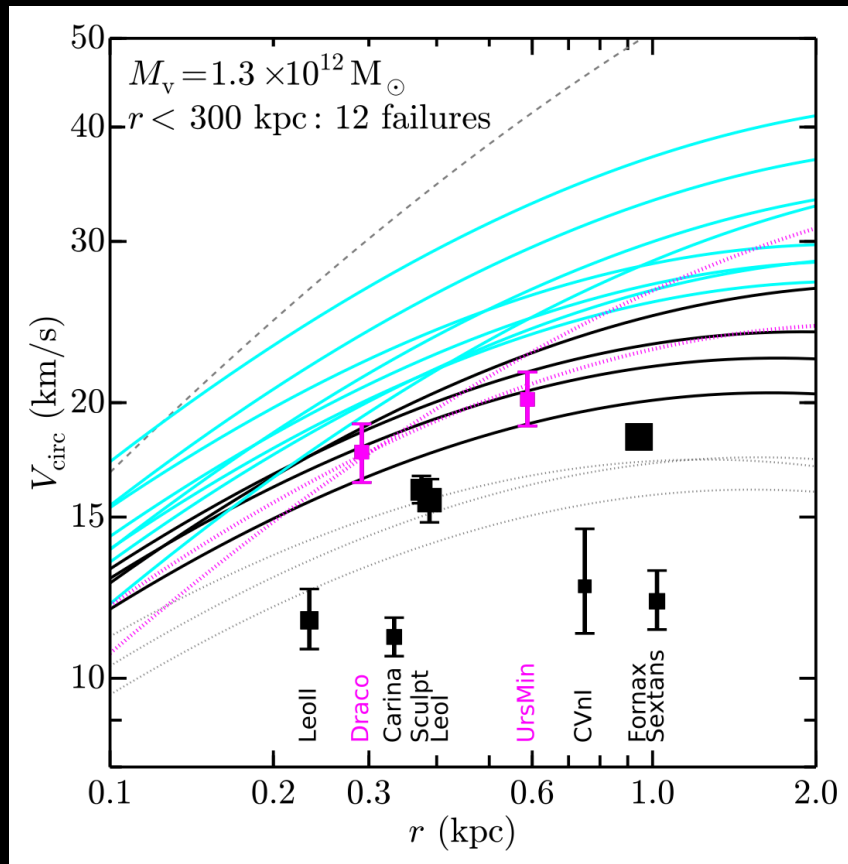
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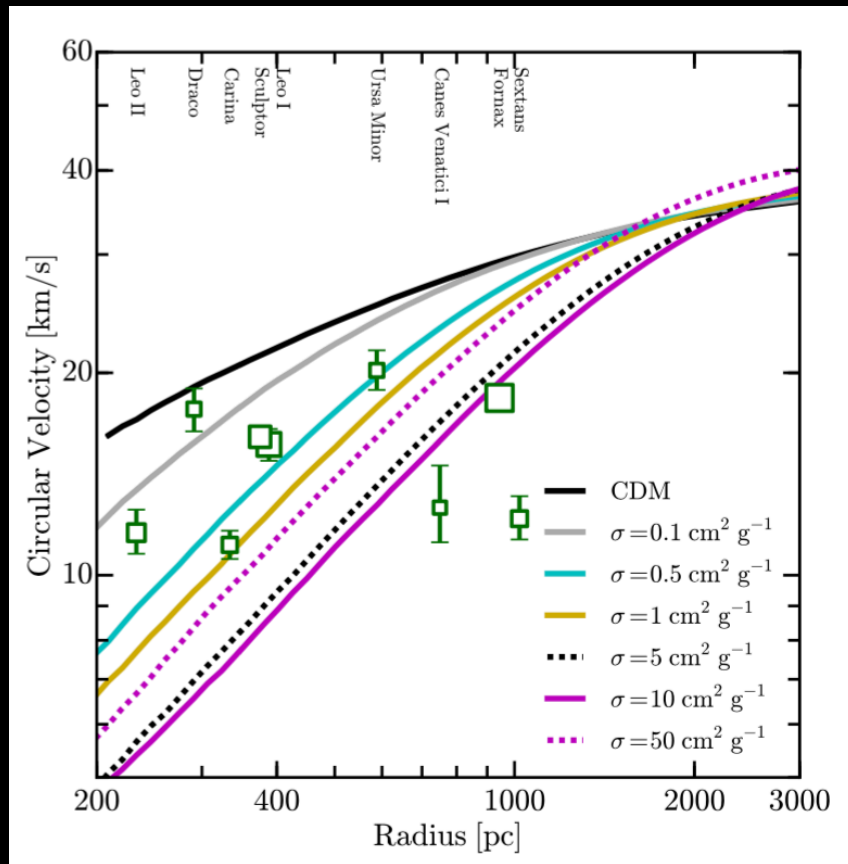
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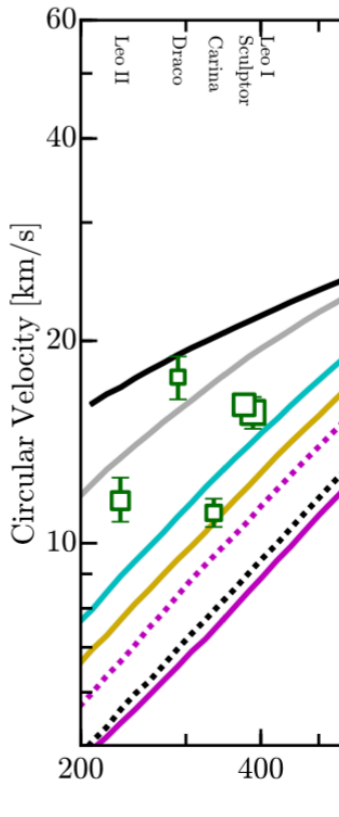
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Because particle physicists are interested!



Mirror matter as self-interacting dark matter

R. N. Mohapatra, S. Nussinov, and V. L. Teplitz

Hidden charged dark matter

Jonathan L. Feng, Manoj Kaplinghat, Huitzu Tu and Hai-Bo Yu

Q-Ball Candidates for Self-Interacting Dark Matter

Alexander Kusenko^{1,2} and Paul J. Steinhardt³

A Parallel World in the Dark

Tetsutaro Higaki^{a,*}, Kwang Sik Jeong^{b,*}, Fuminobu Takahashi^{b,†}

Higgs-portal Scalar Dark Matter: Scattering Cross Section and Observable Limits

Huayong Han and Sibozheng
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Direct detection portals for self-interacting dark matter

Manoj Kaplinghat, Sean Tulin, and Hai-Bo Yu

Composite strongly interacting dark matter

James M. Cline,¹ Zuowei Liu,¹ and Guy D. Moore¹

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Dark matter monopoles, vectors and photons

Valentin V. Khoze and Gunnar Ro
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Self-Interacting Dark Matter with Flavor Mixing

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Radius

Resonant Dark Forces and Small-Scale Structure

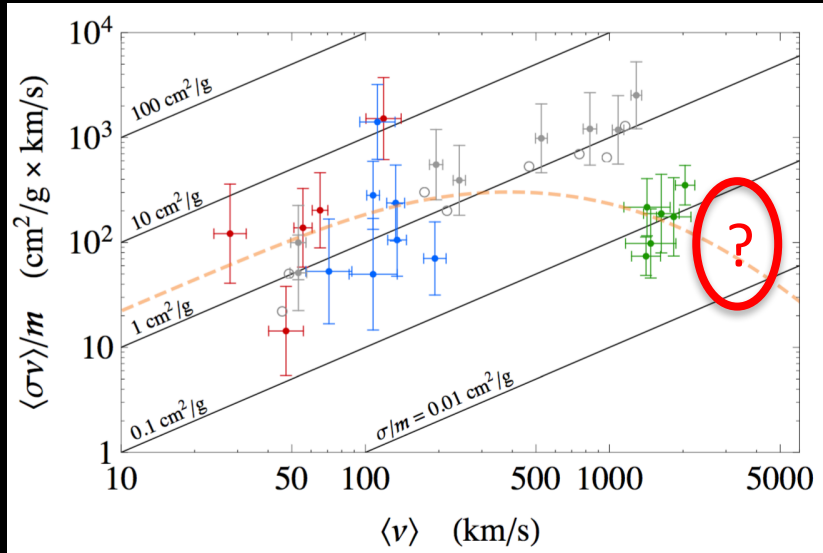
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WHY LOOK AT MERGING GALAXY CLUSTERS?

Higher DM-DM velocities than in isolated galaxy clusters



Kaplinghat+ 2016

If DM has a velocity dependent cross-section, then information on DM scattering at different velocities provides complementary information

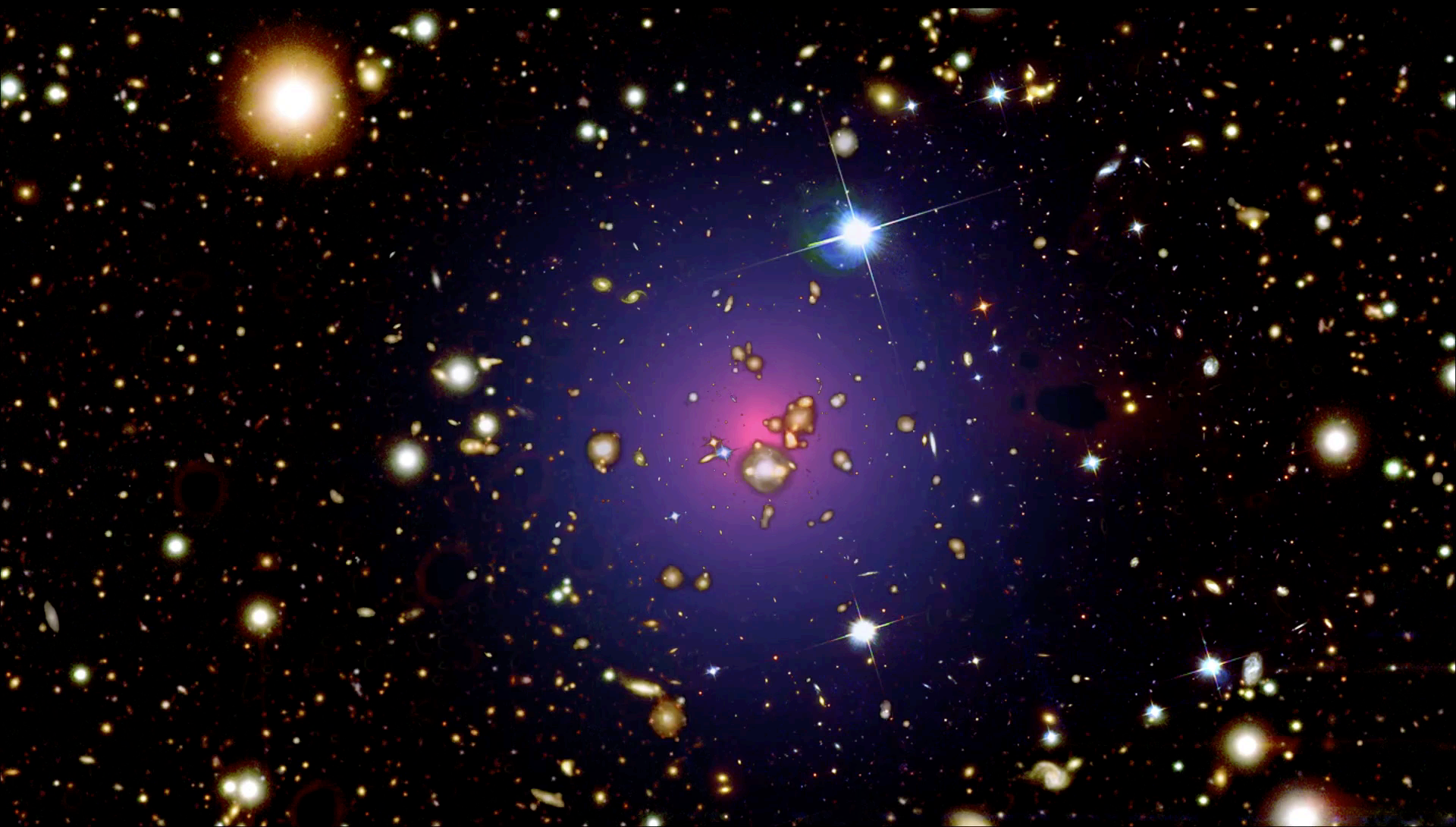
Particle Collider for Dark Matter!



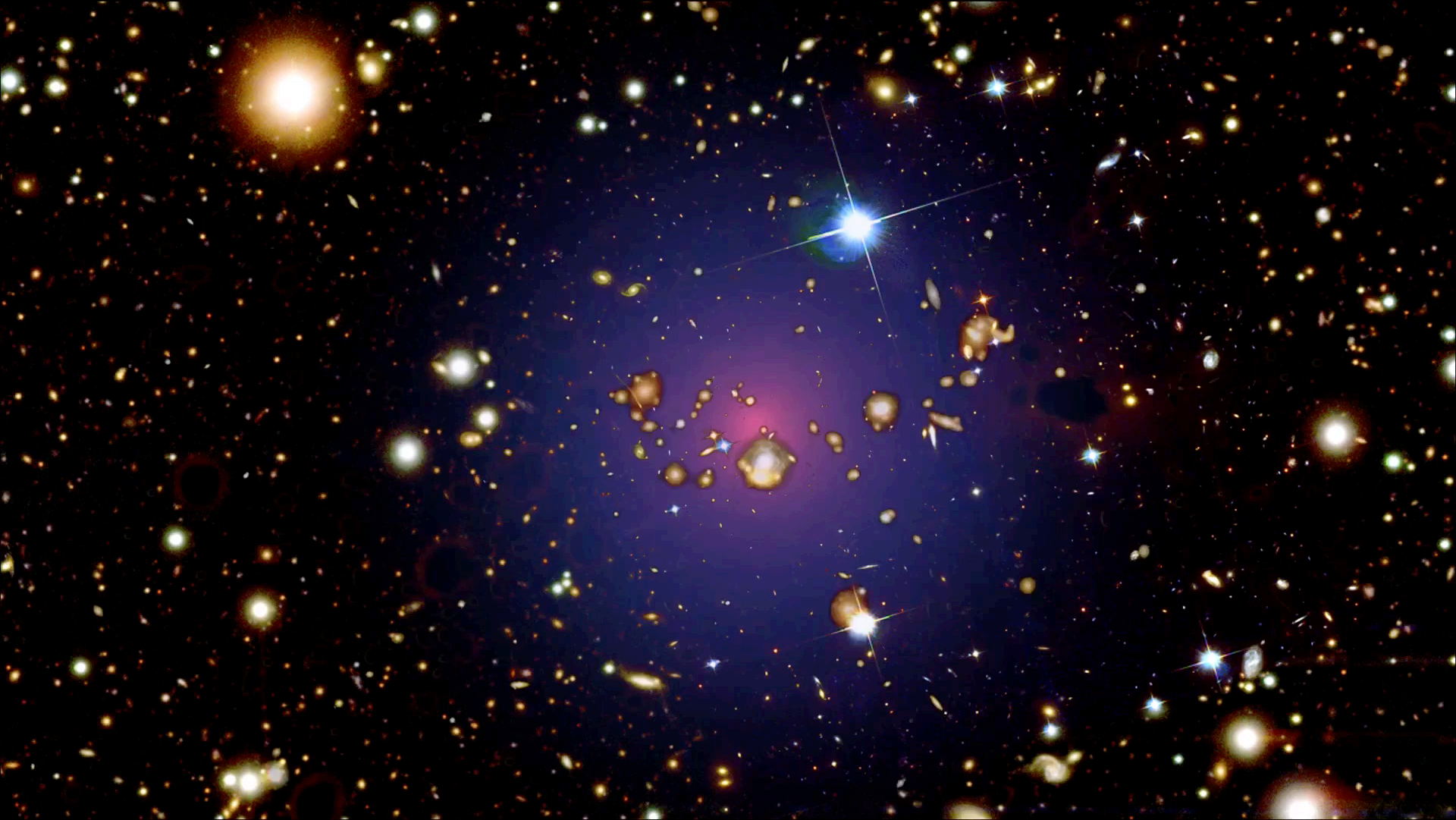
Dark Matter separated from main baryonic component



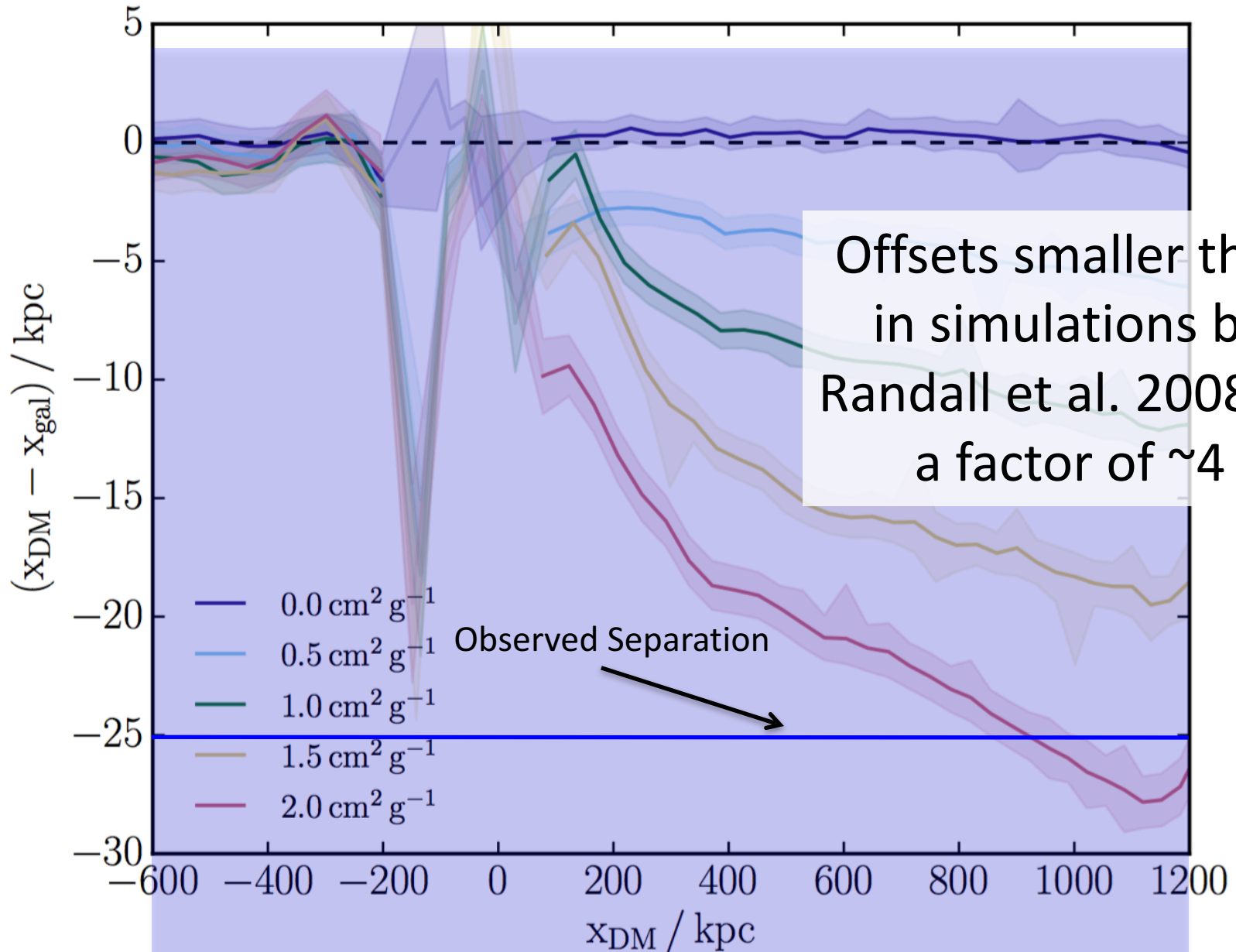
SMASHING CLUSTERS TOGETHER



INCLUDING SIDM WITH A LARGE CROSS-SECTION

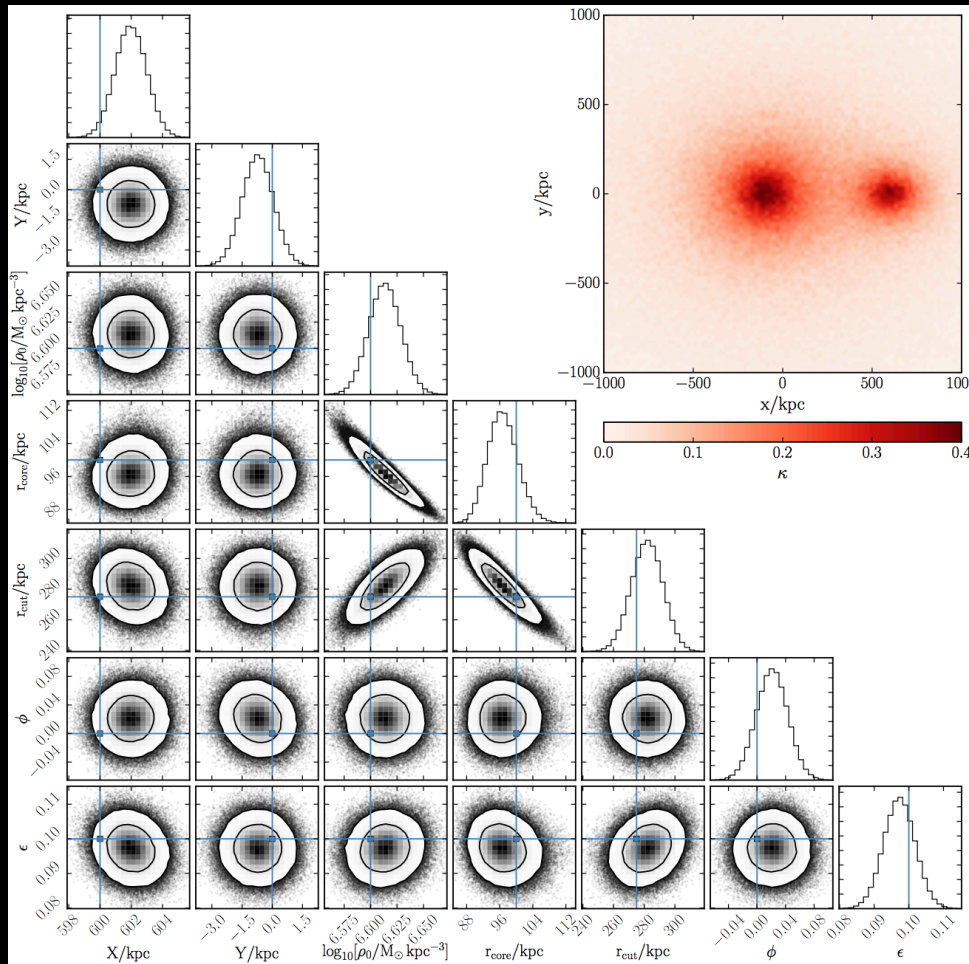


DM-GALAXY OFFSETS

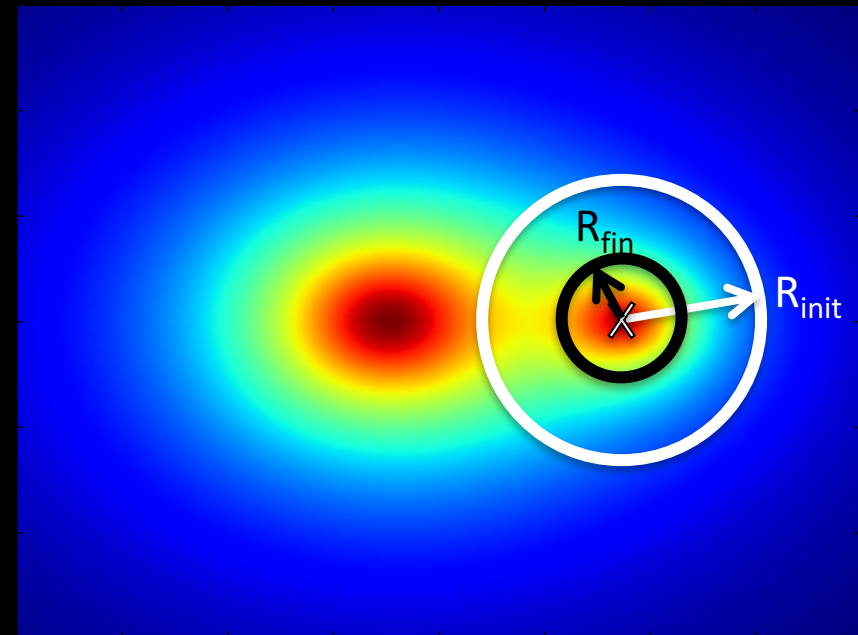


MEASURING HALO POSITIONS

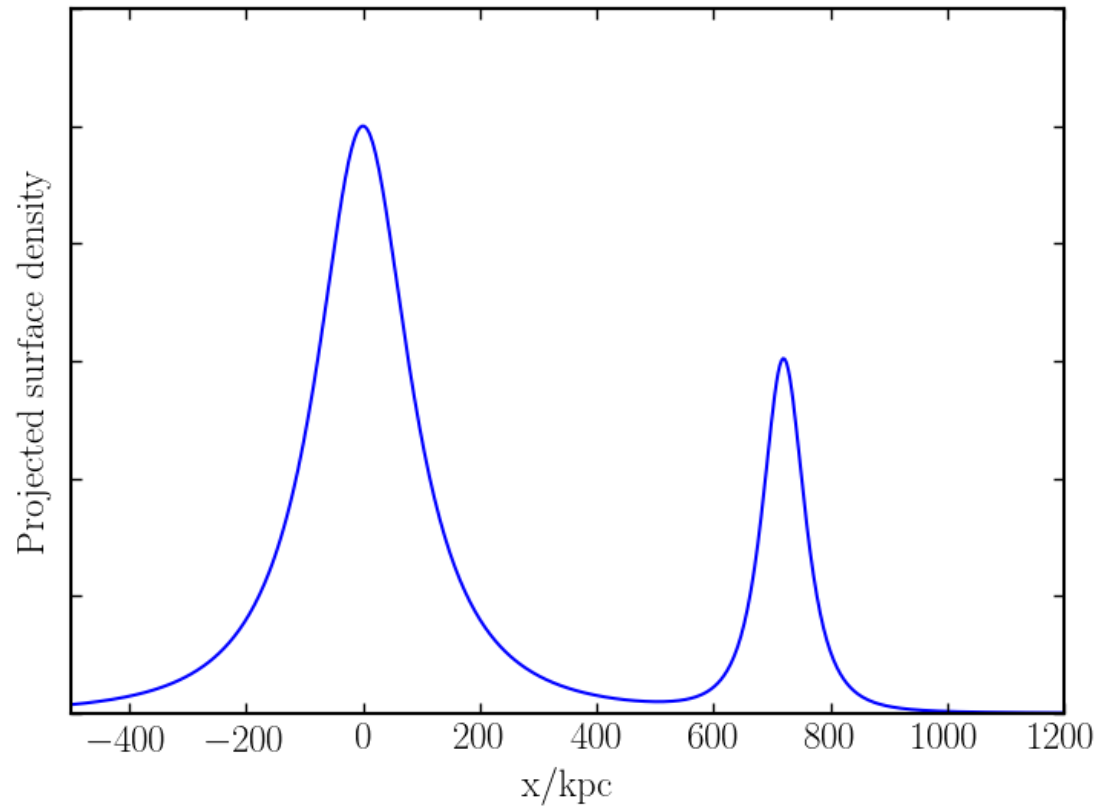
Parametric Model Fitting
(what I did)



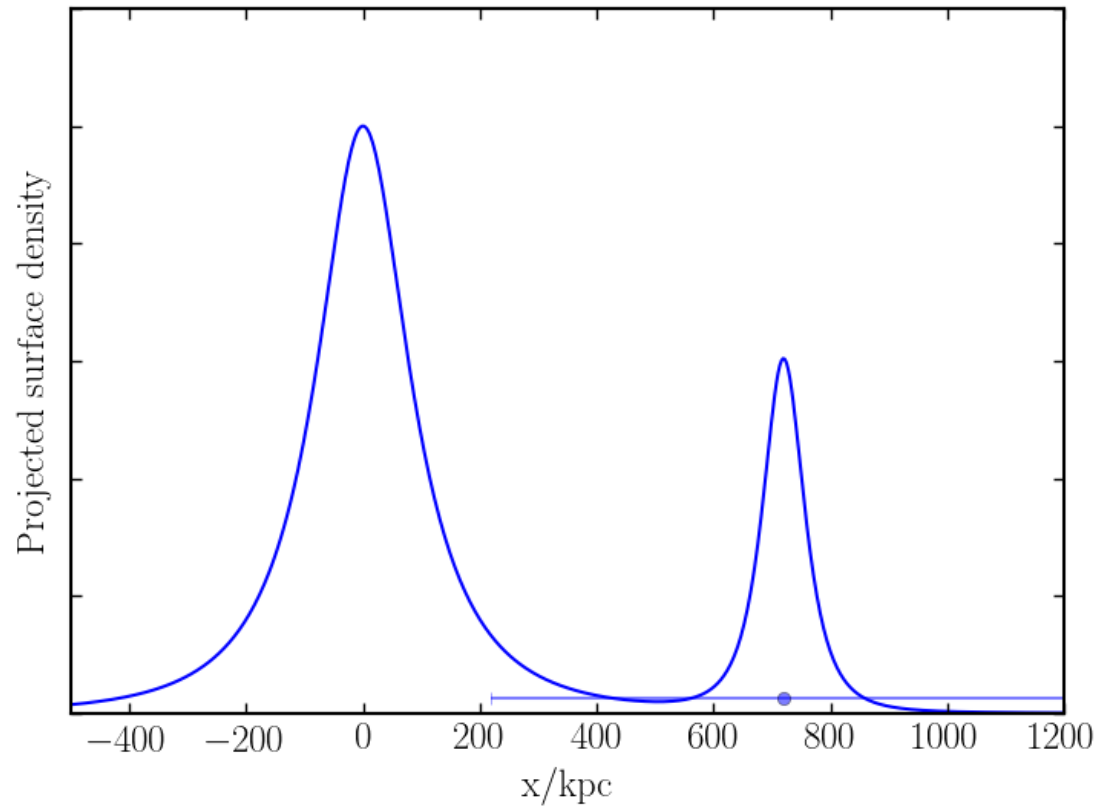
Shrinking Circles
(what Randall did)



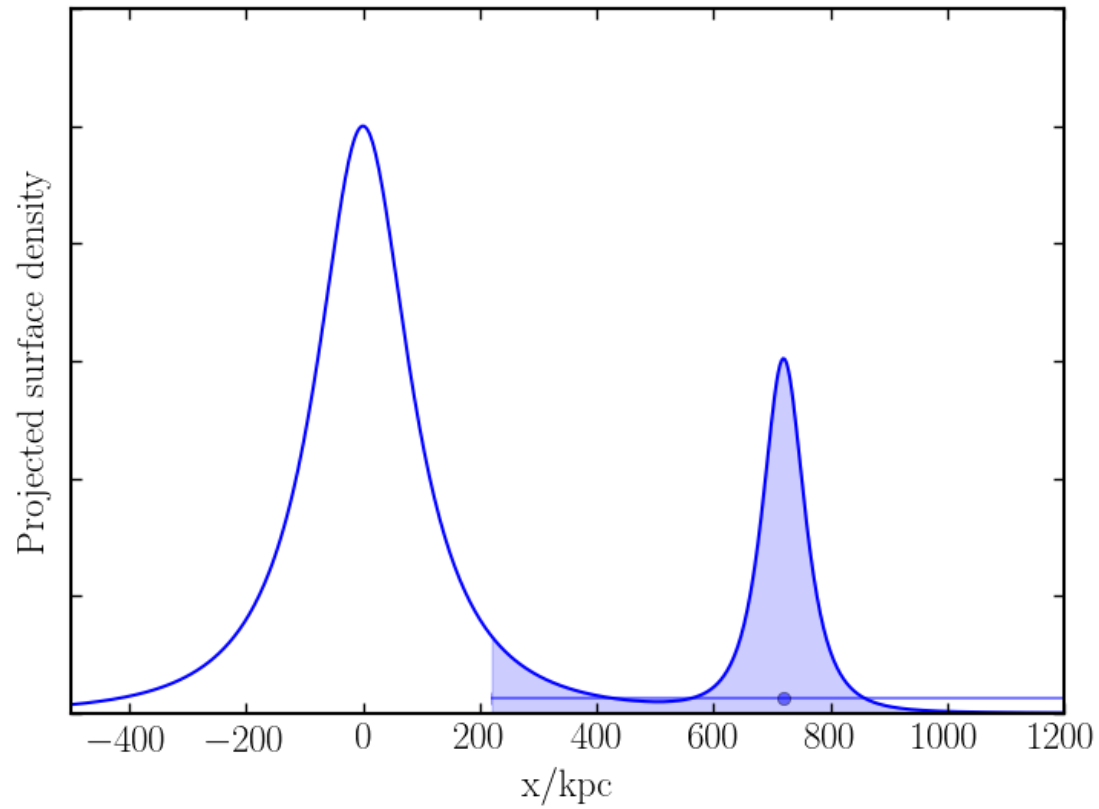
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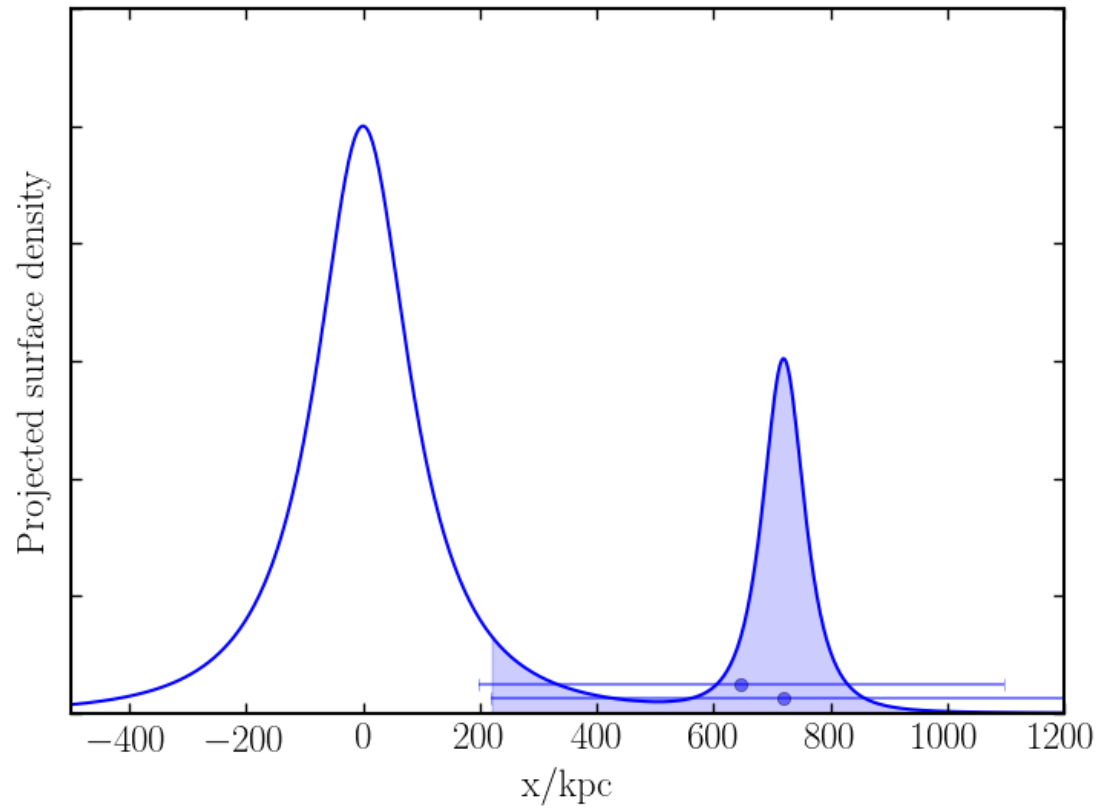
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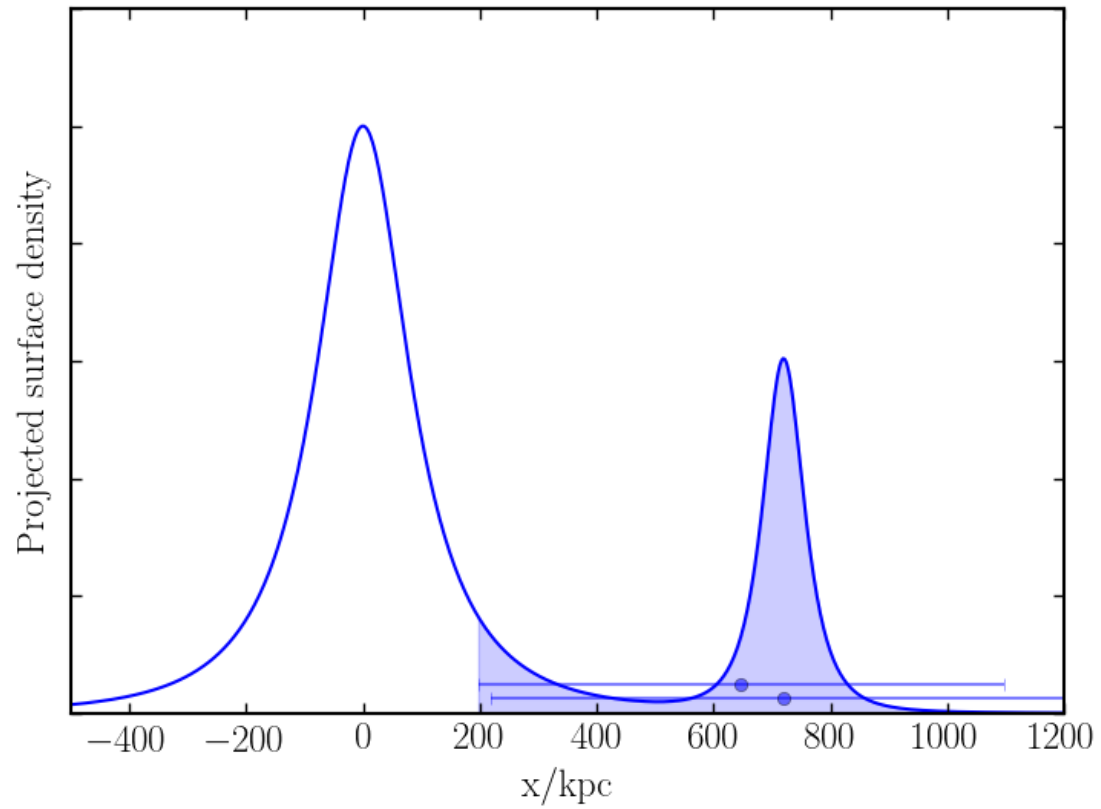
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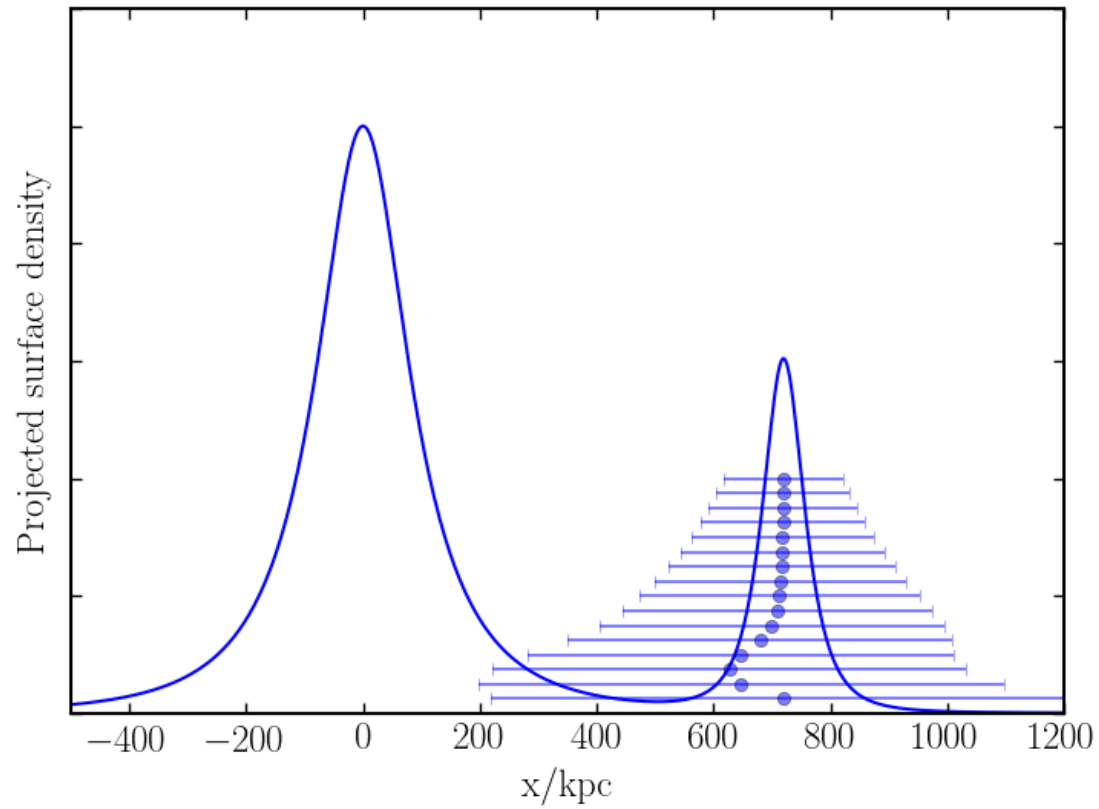
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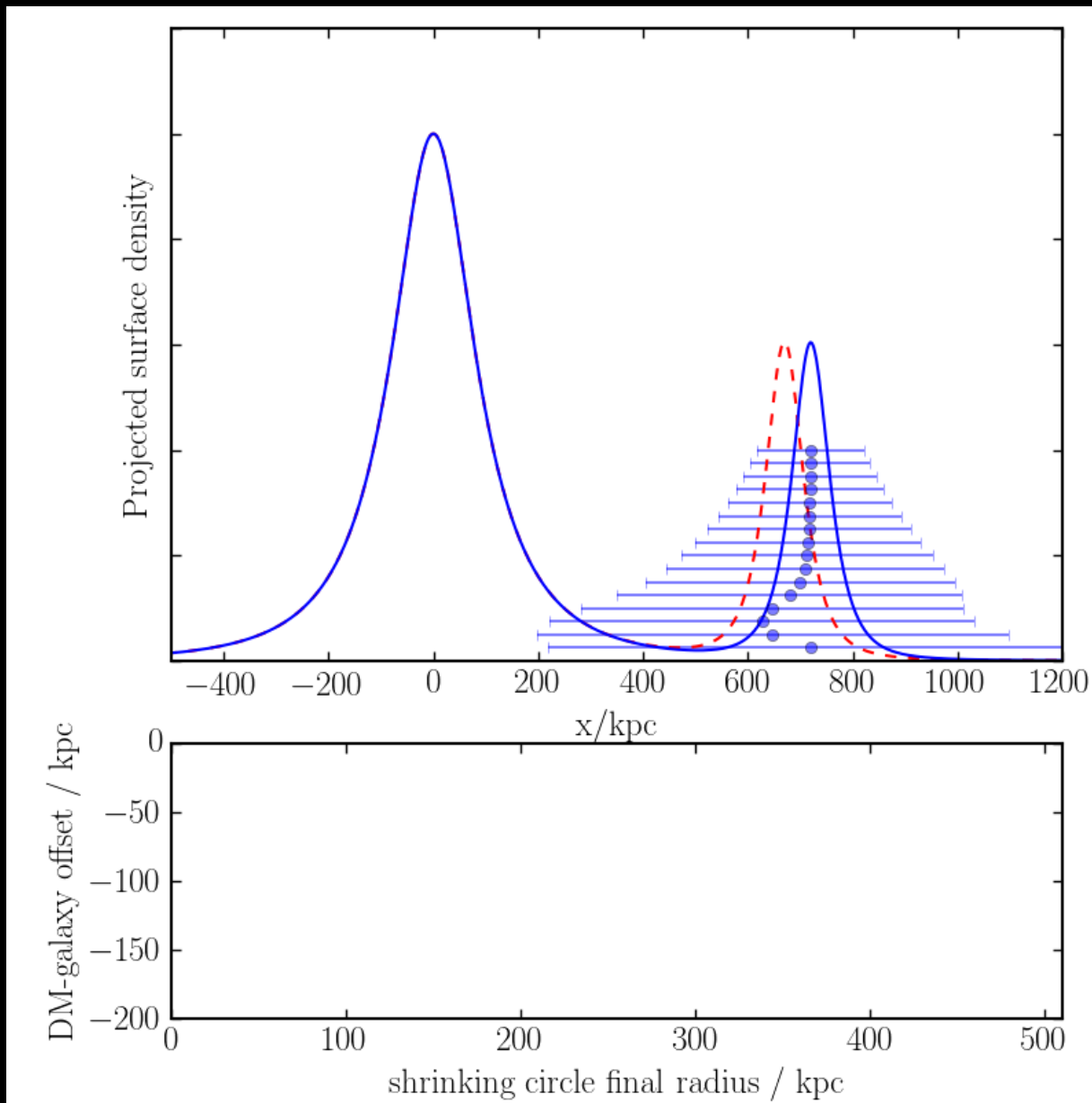
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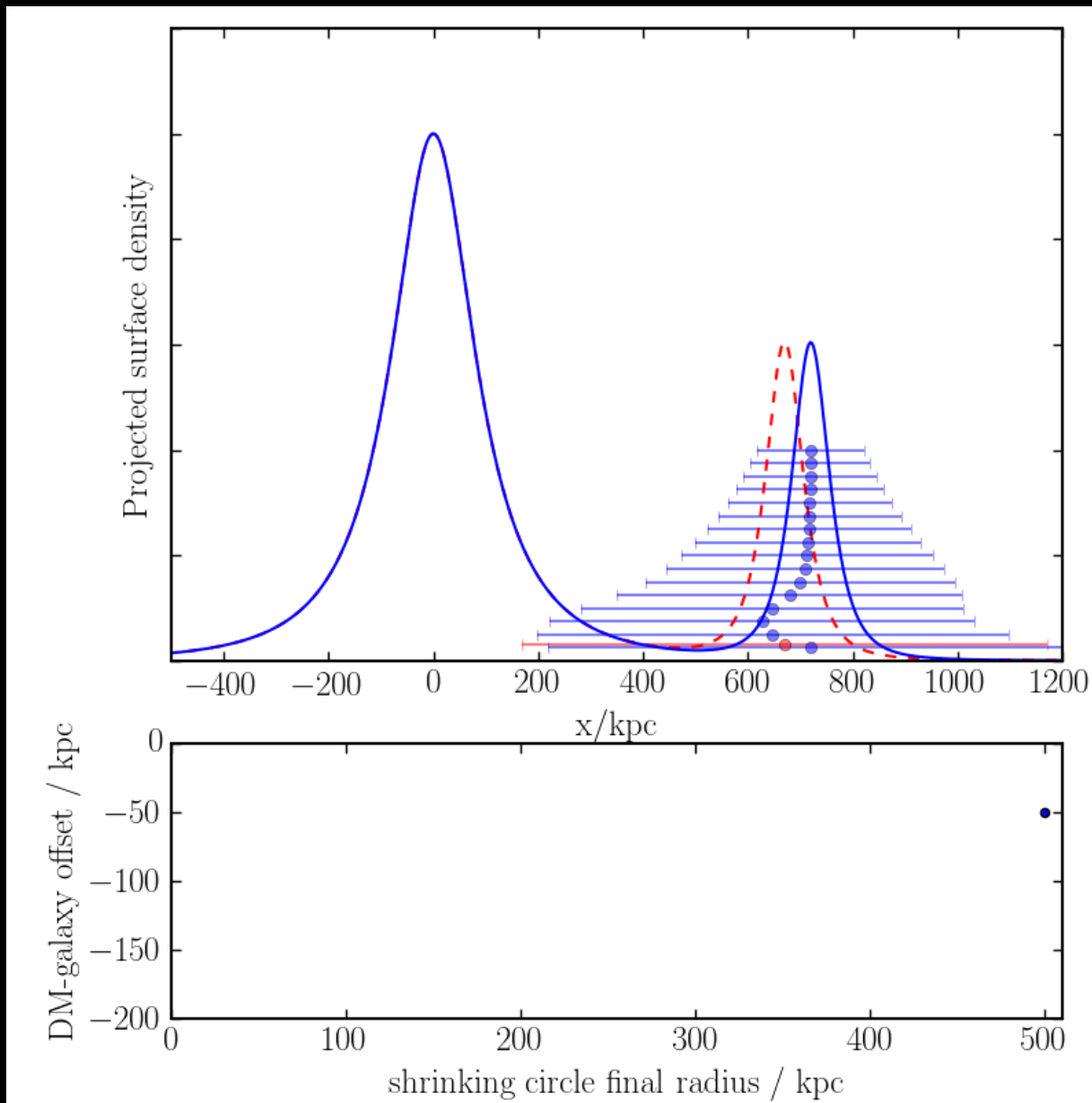
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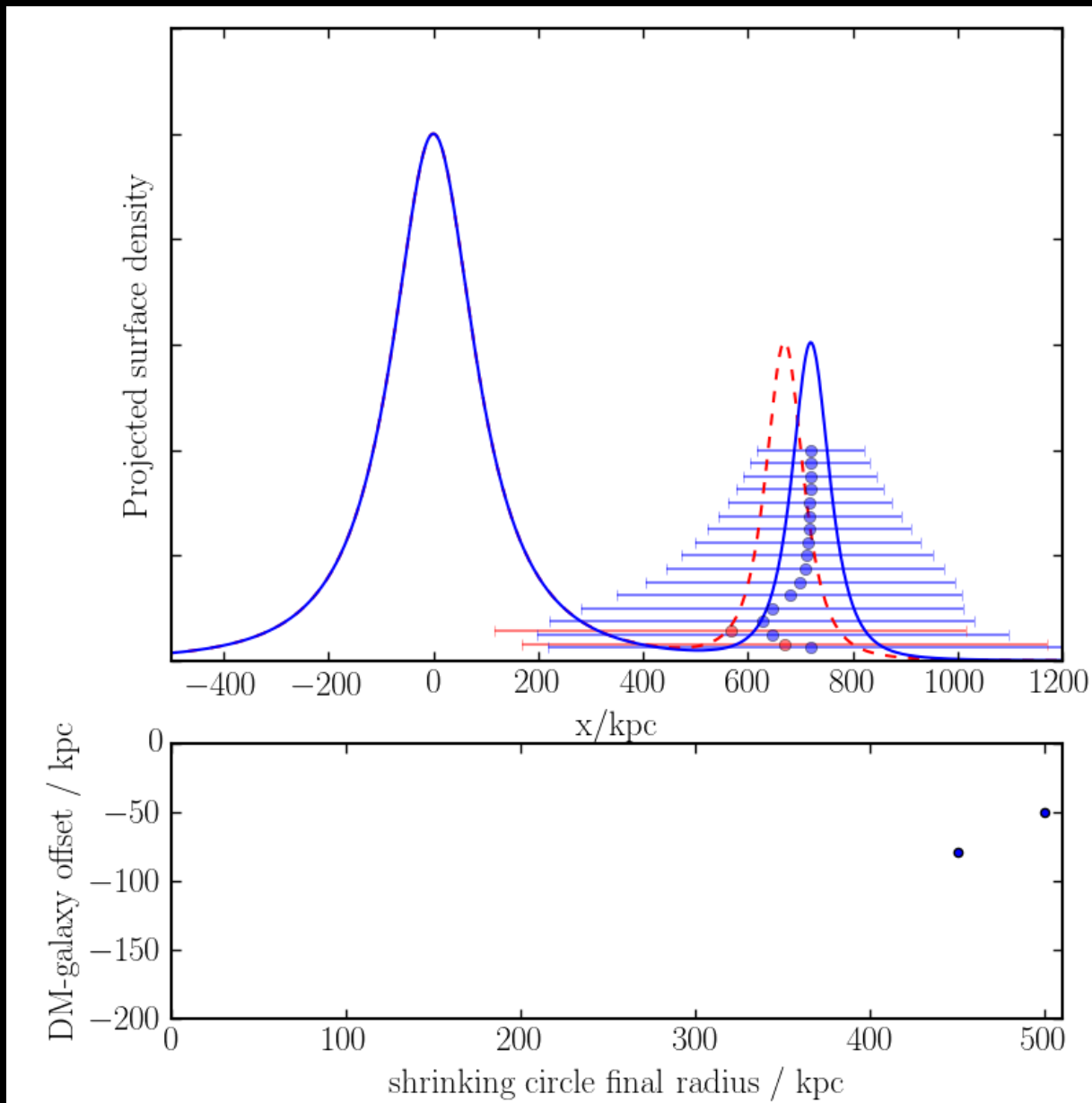
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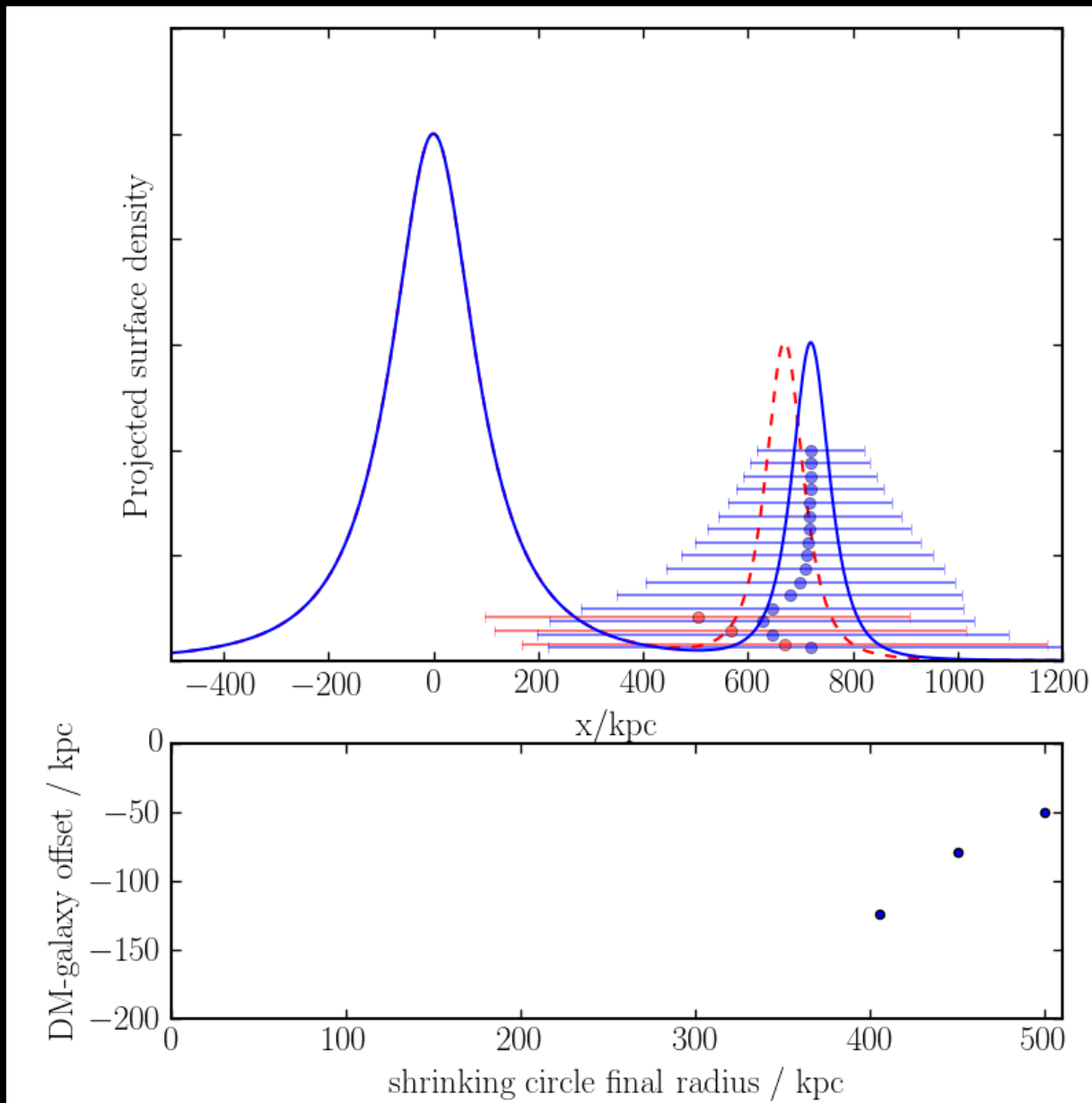
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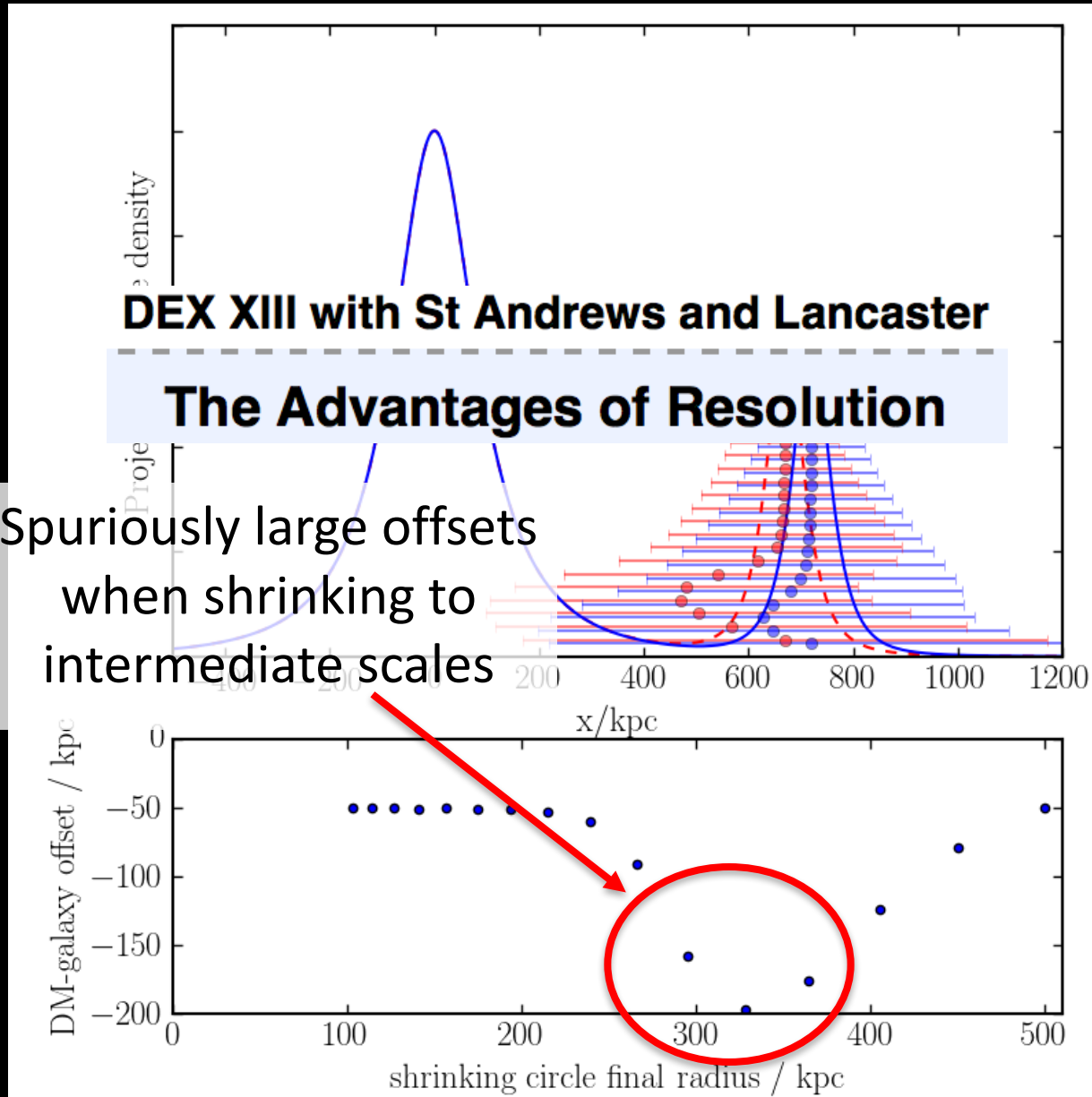
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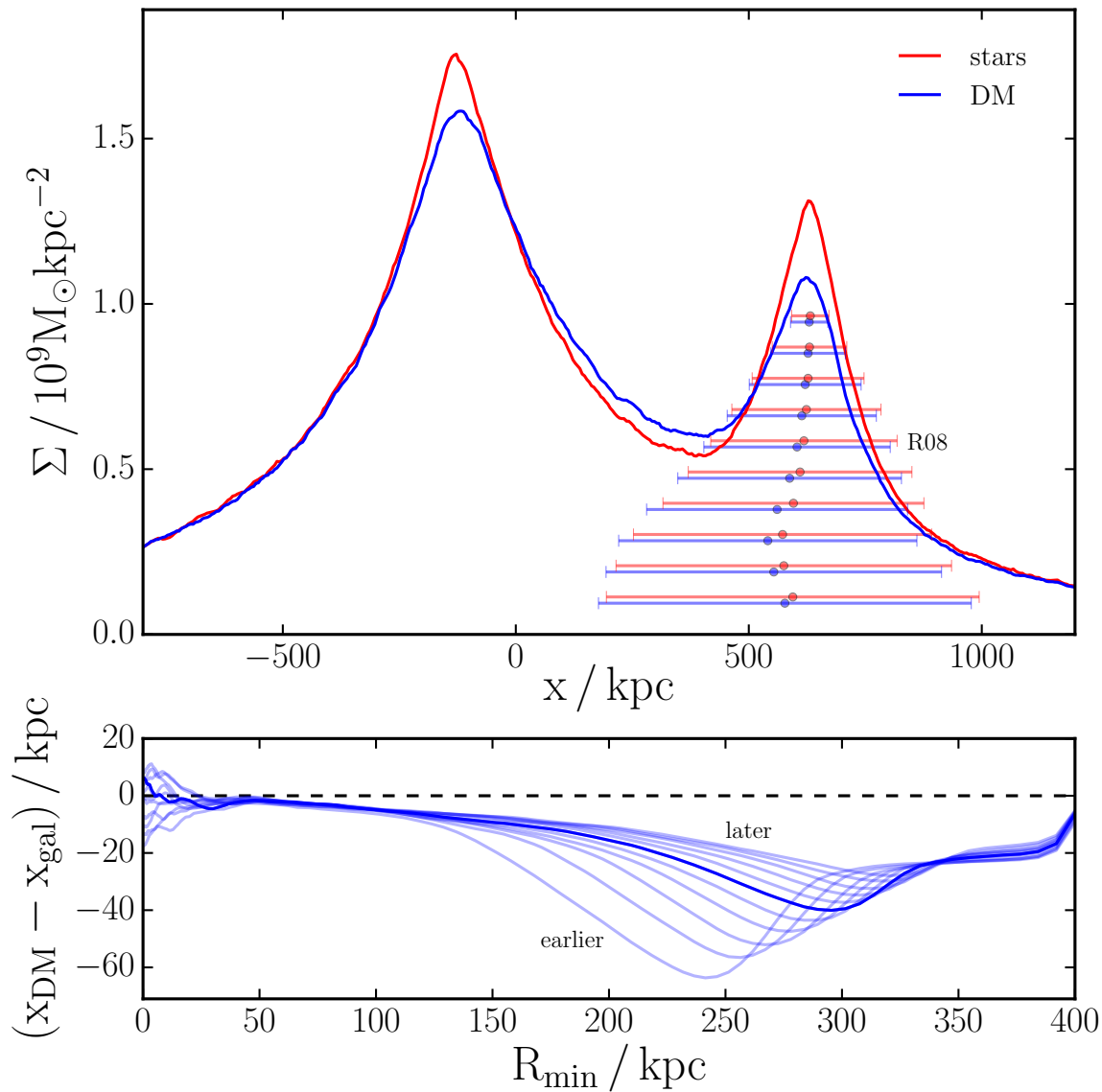
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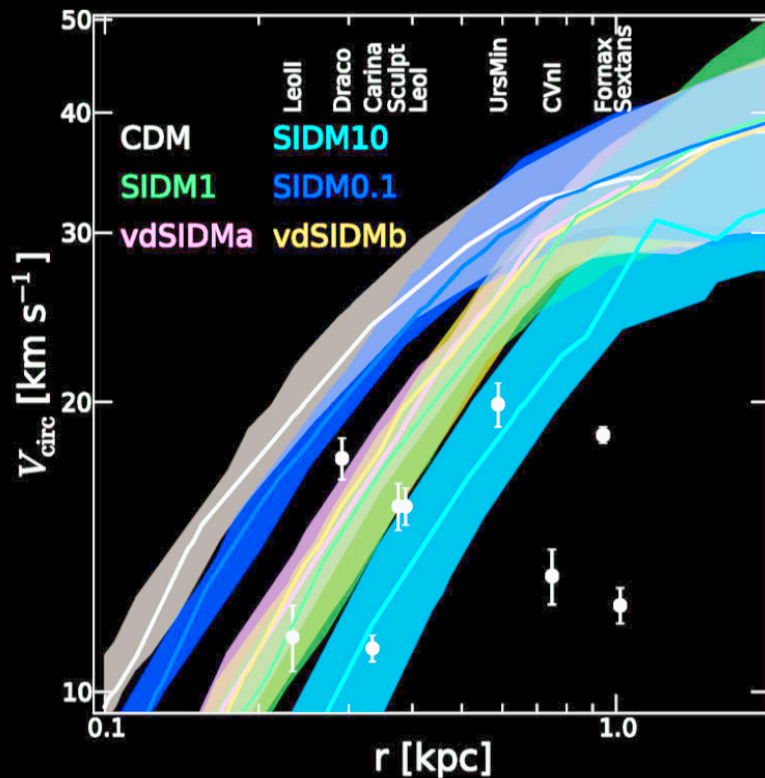
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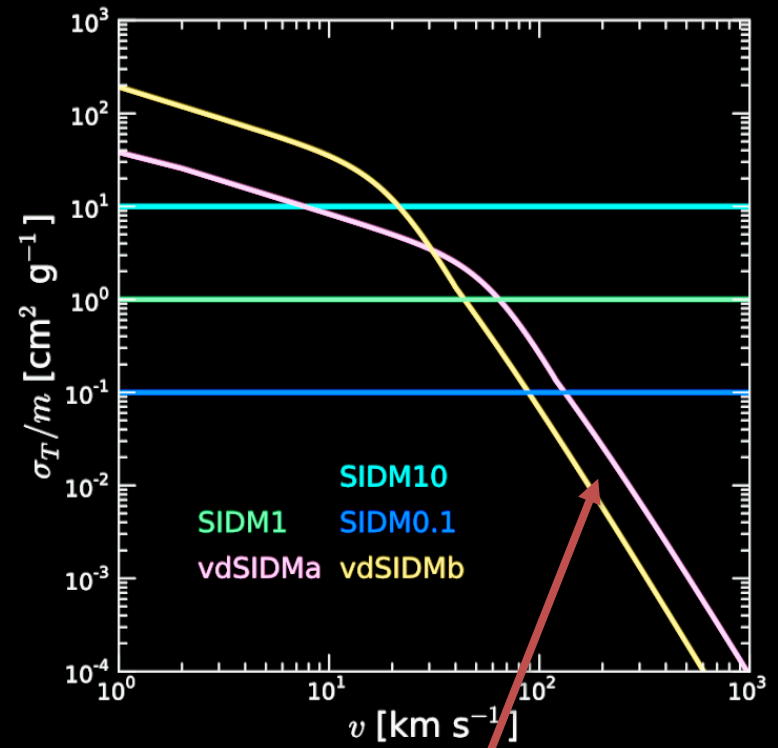
VELOCITY DEPENDENT SIDM

Can have large cross-sections in dwarf galaxies while evading constraints from galaxy clusters

A natural outcome of some SIDM candidate models (e.g. mirror DM or atomic DM)



Zavala+ 2013

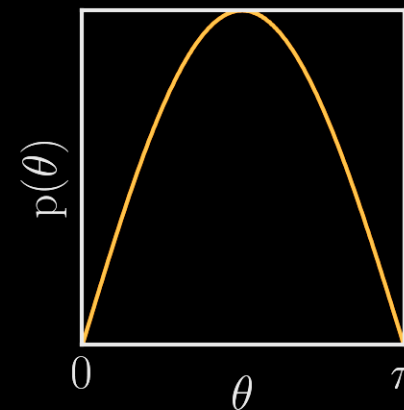


Scattering in this regime should be angularly-dependent

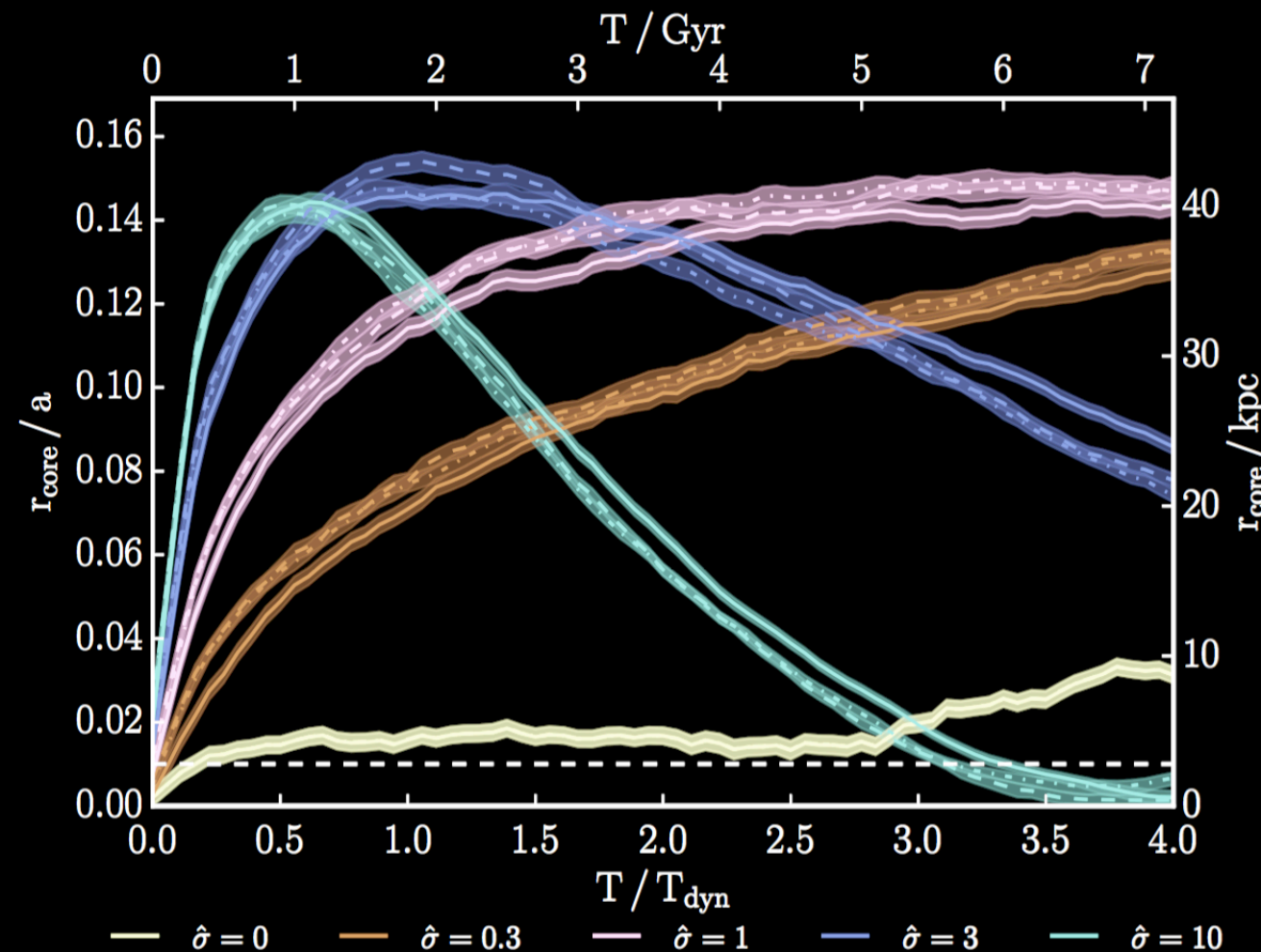
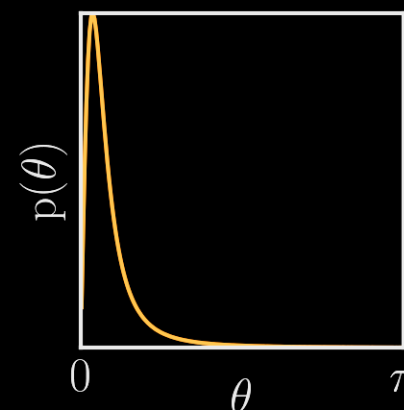
CORE GROWTH IN ISOLATED HALOES

$$\sigma \equiv \int \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega \quad \sigma_T \equiv \int (1 - \cos \theta) \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} d\Omega$$

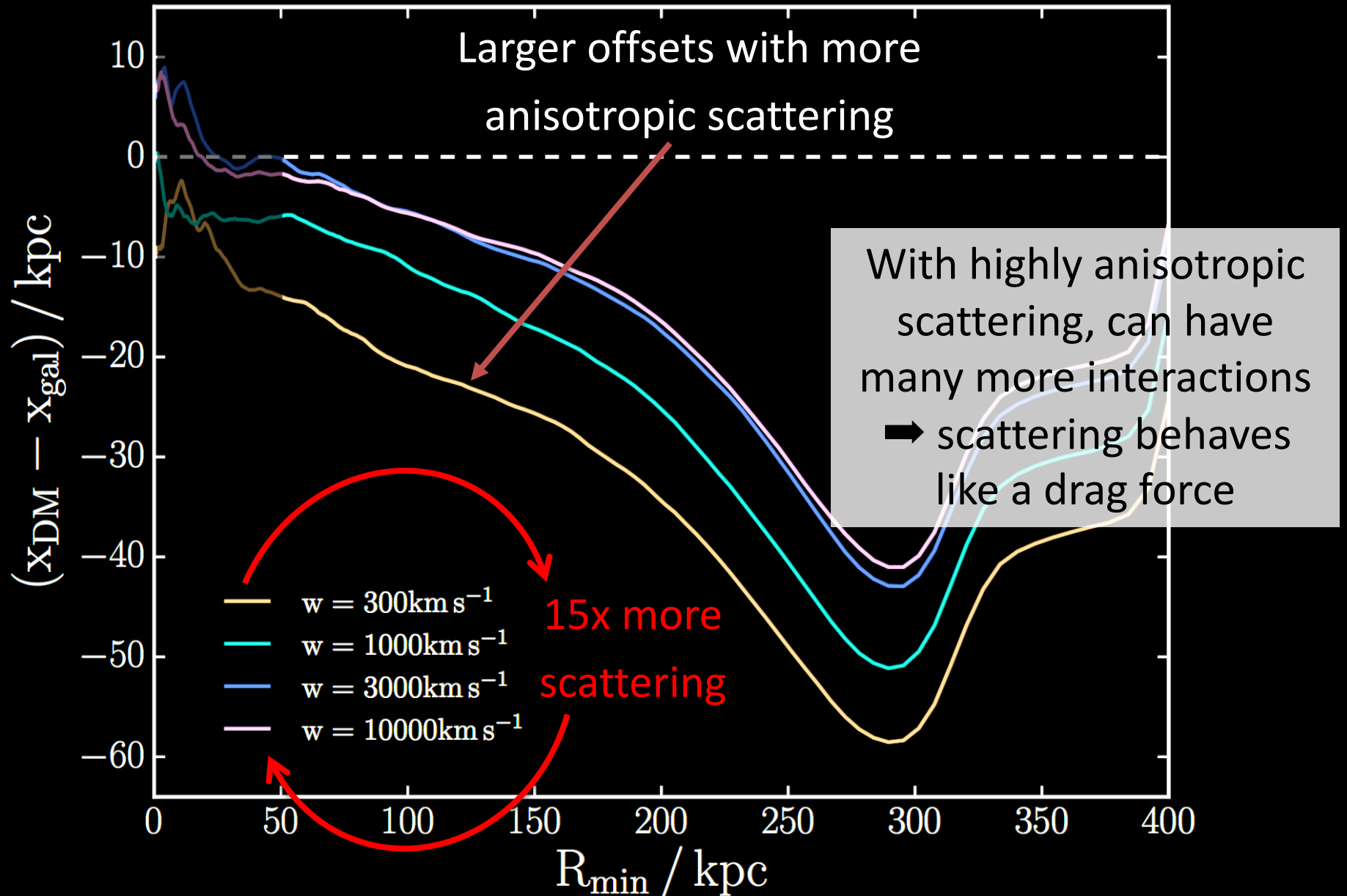
—— Isotropic scattering



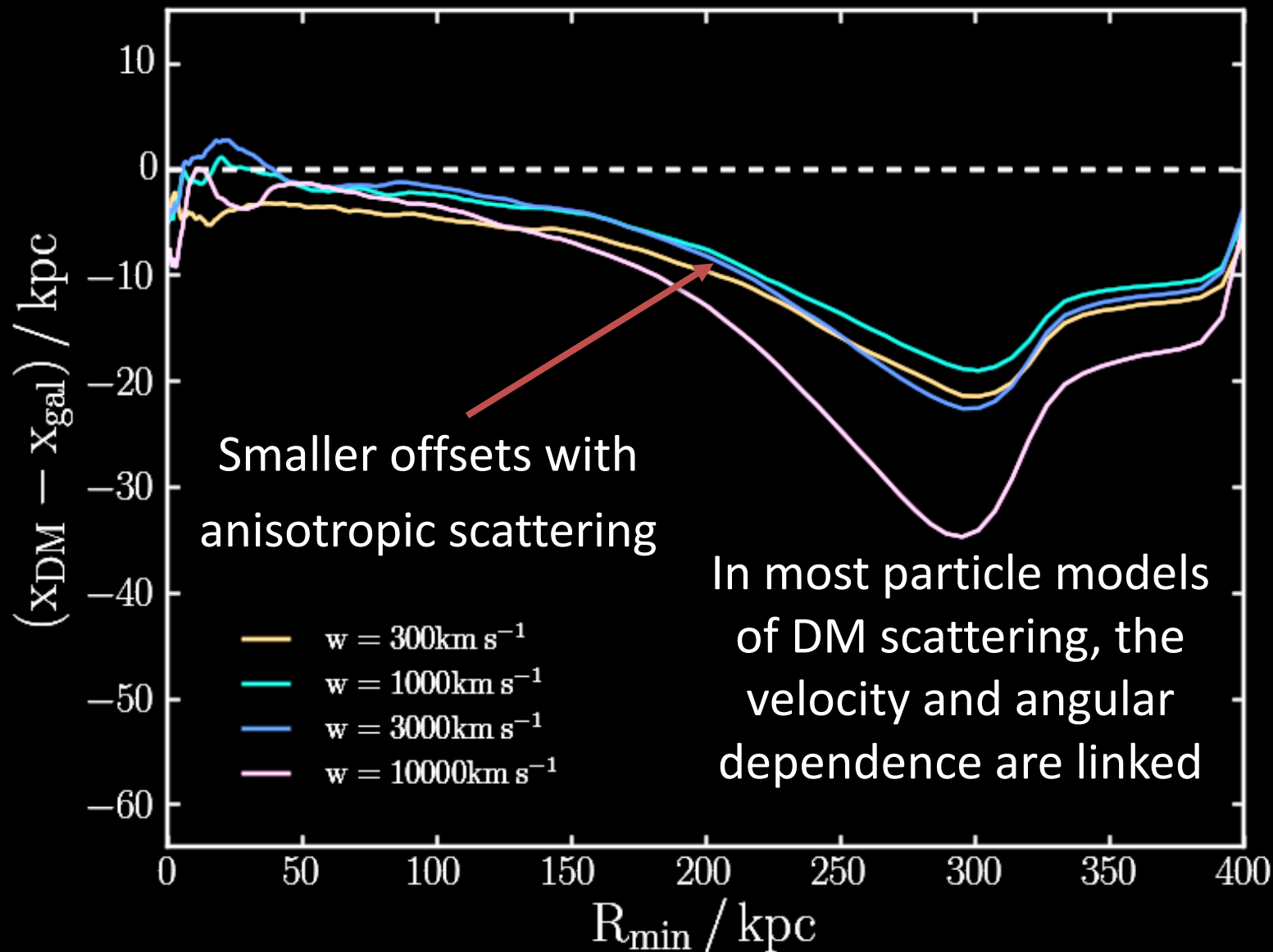
- - - Anisotropic DM
5x more scattering



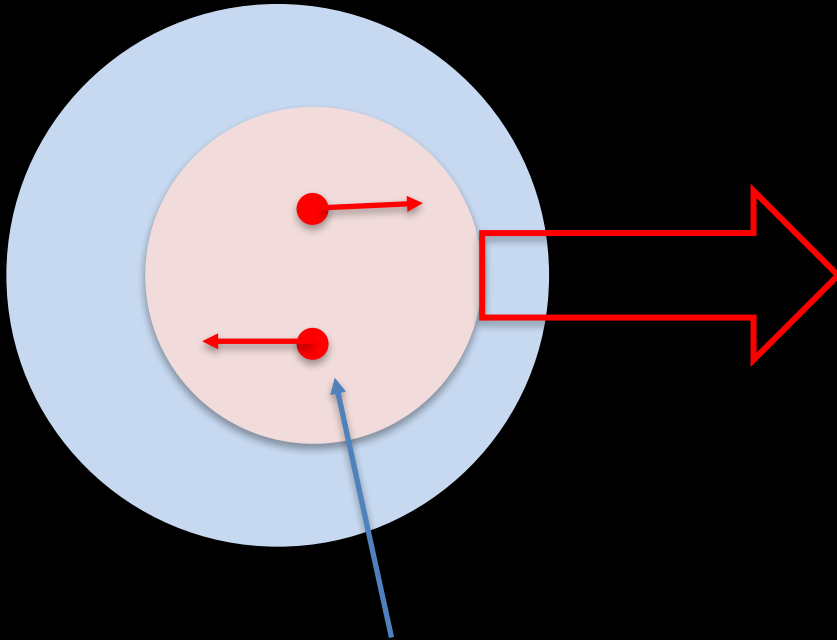
DM-GALAXY OFFSETS WITH ANGULARLY-DEPENDENT SCATTERING



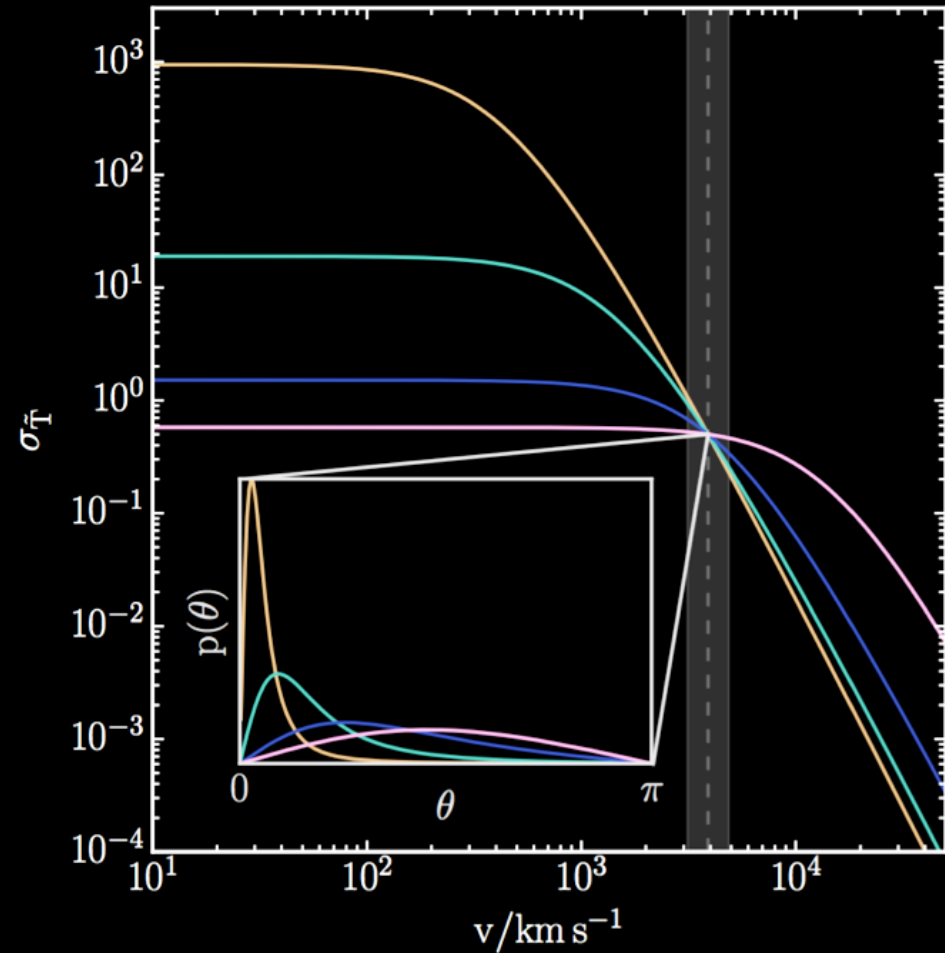
DM-GALAXY OFFSETS WITH REALISTIC (YUKAWA) PARTICLE SCATTERING



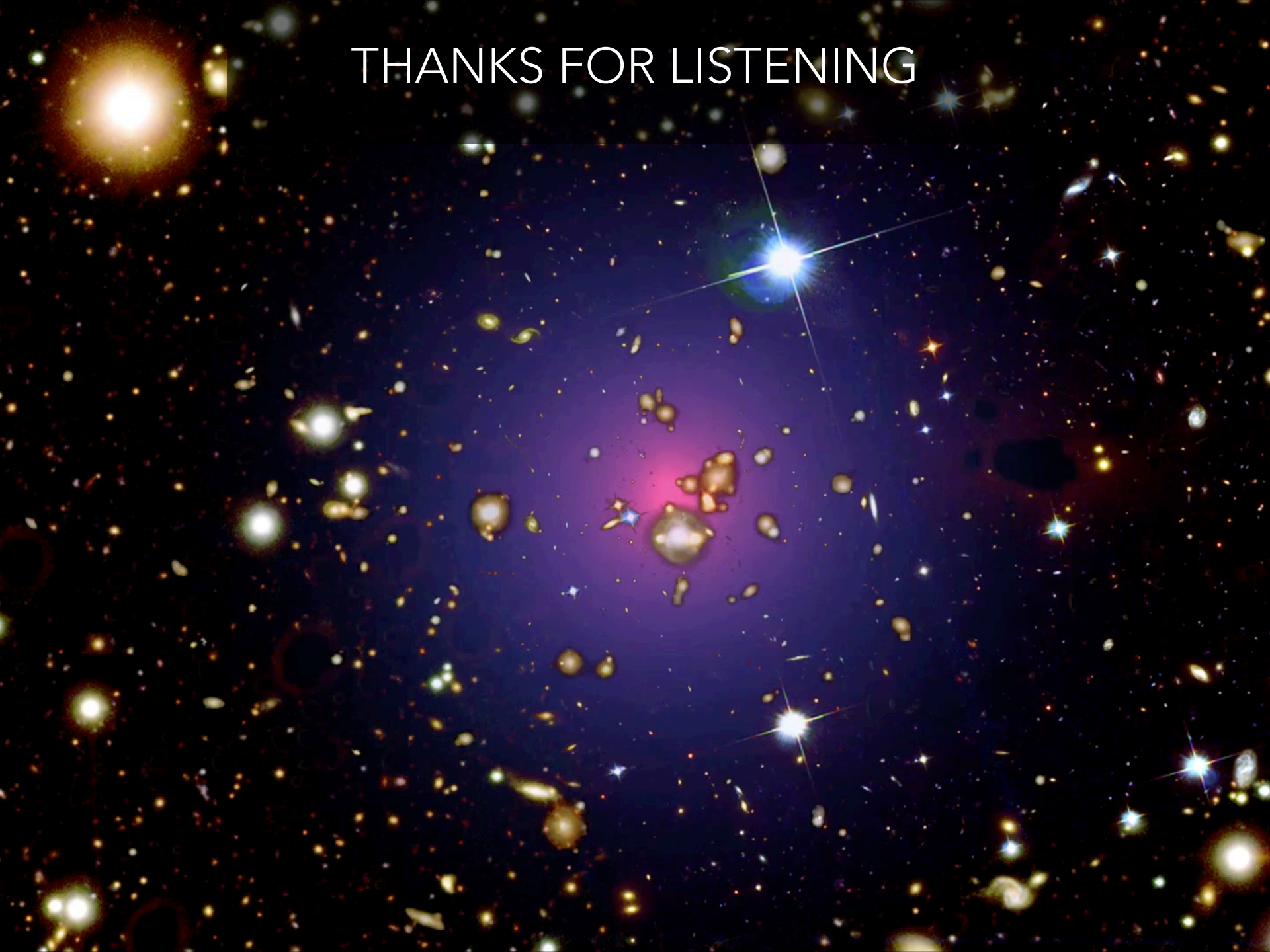
VELOCITY DEPENDENCE REDUCES OFFSETS



Particles moving 'backwards' with respect to their halo's direction of motion have a lower relative velocity with respect to the main halo – more likely to scatter



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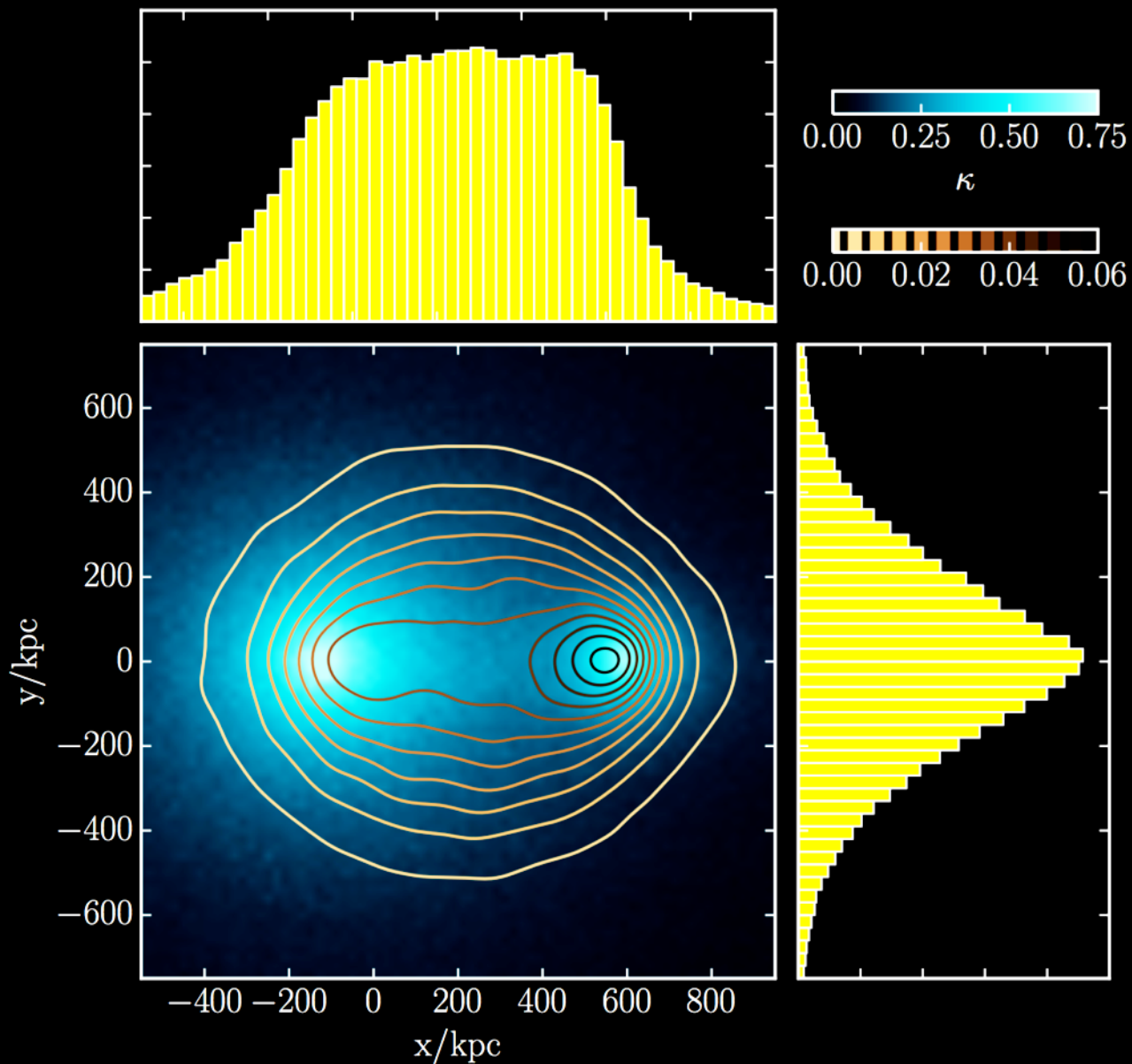


SUMMARY

- Colliding galaxy clusters are an interesting place to look for non-gravitational DM interactions
- Current constraints on SIDM cross-section from offsets in merging clusters have been over-stated
- For the simplest well-motivated velocity-dependent SIDM, expect only small offsets in merging galaxy clusters

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THE DISTRIBUTION OF SCATTERED PARTICLES



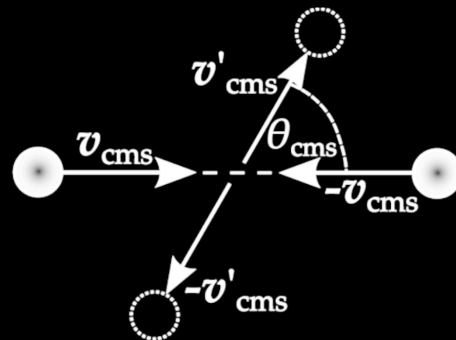
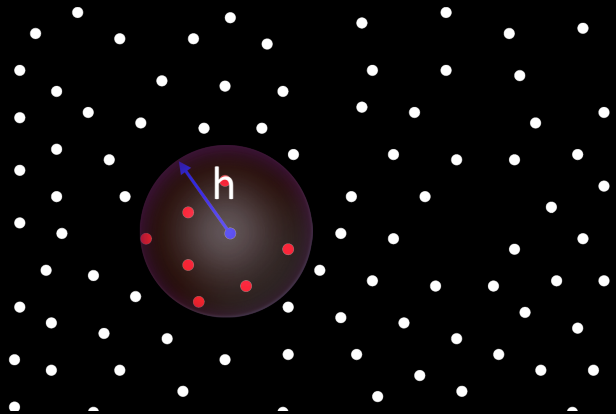
SCATTERING WITH A GENERAL DIFFERENTIAL

CROSS-SECTION

Tulin+ 2013

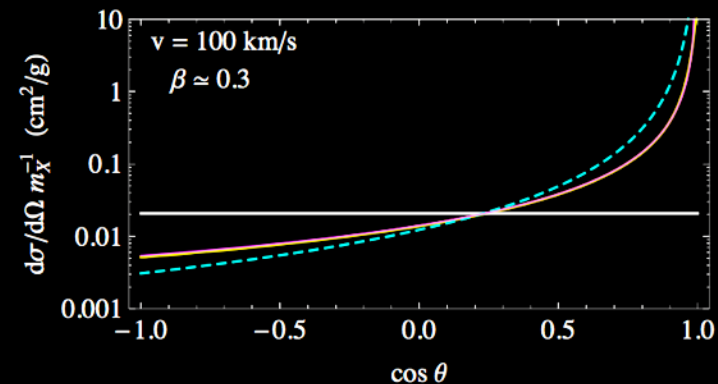
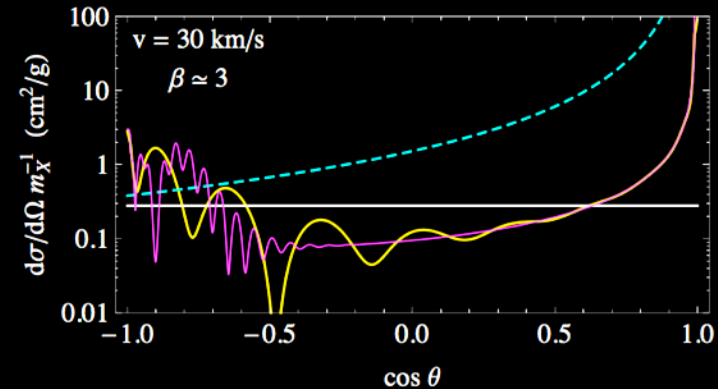
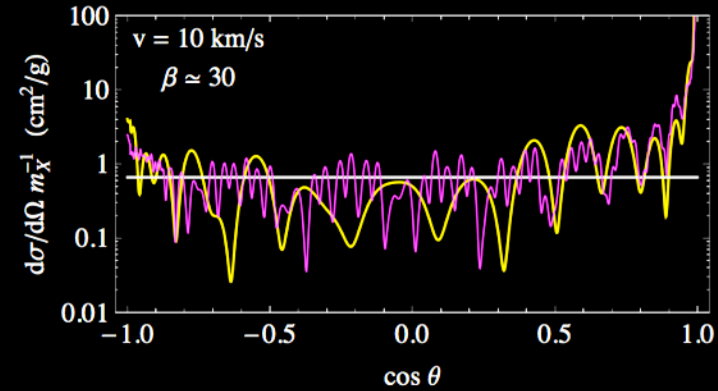
$$\Gamma = \frac{dn}{dt} = \int f(\mathbf{v}_1) \frac{\rho \sigma_\chi}{m_\chi} |\mathbf{v}_0 - \mathbf{v}_1| d^3 \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$P_{ij} = \frac{\sigma_p |\mathbf{v}_i - \mathbf{v}_j| \Delta t}{\frac{4\pi}{3} h^3}$$

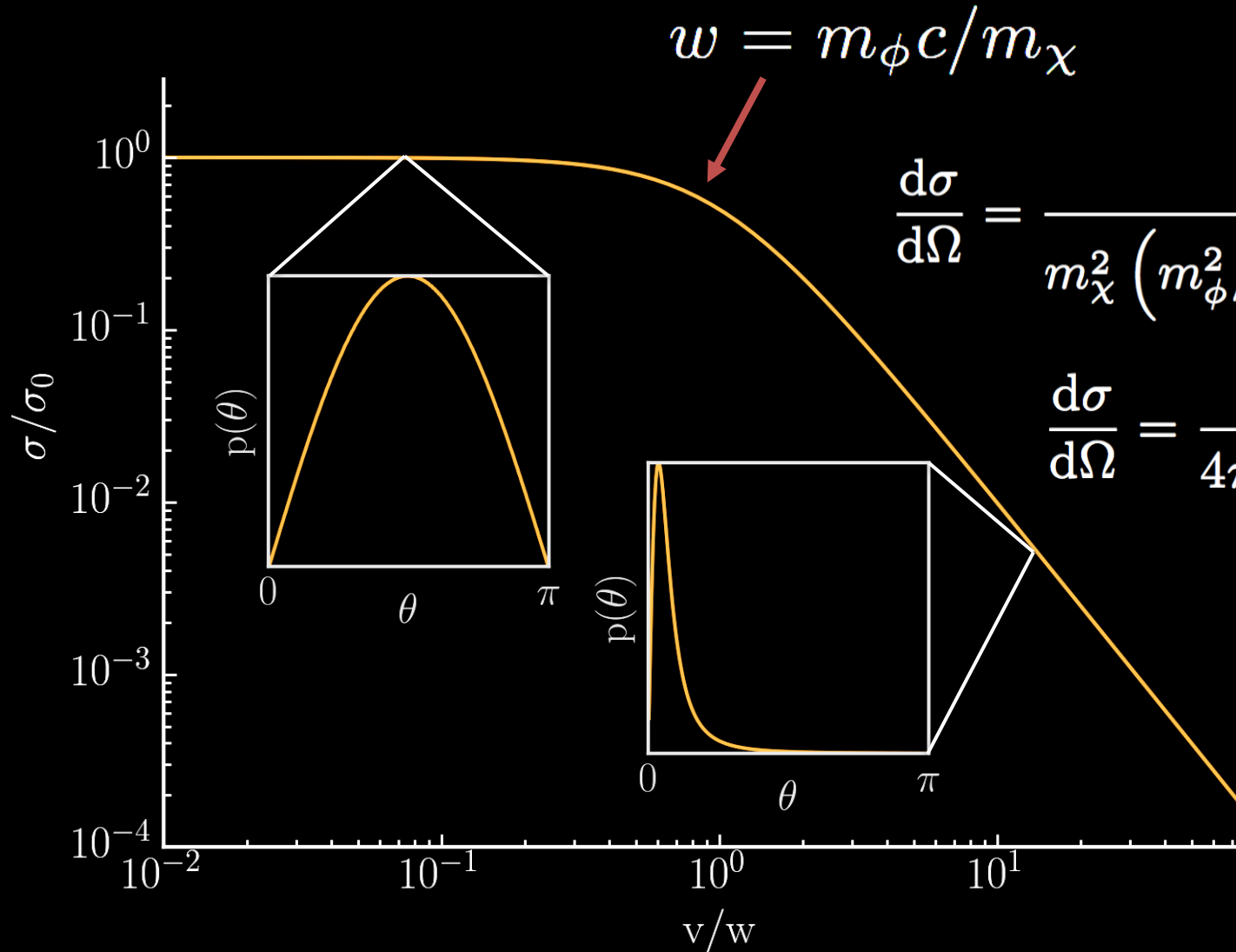


Kahlhoefer+ 2014

When two particles scatter, draw θ from the relevant probability distribution (which can change with collision velocity)



YUKAWA SCATTERING WITH THE BORN-APPROXIMATION

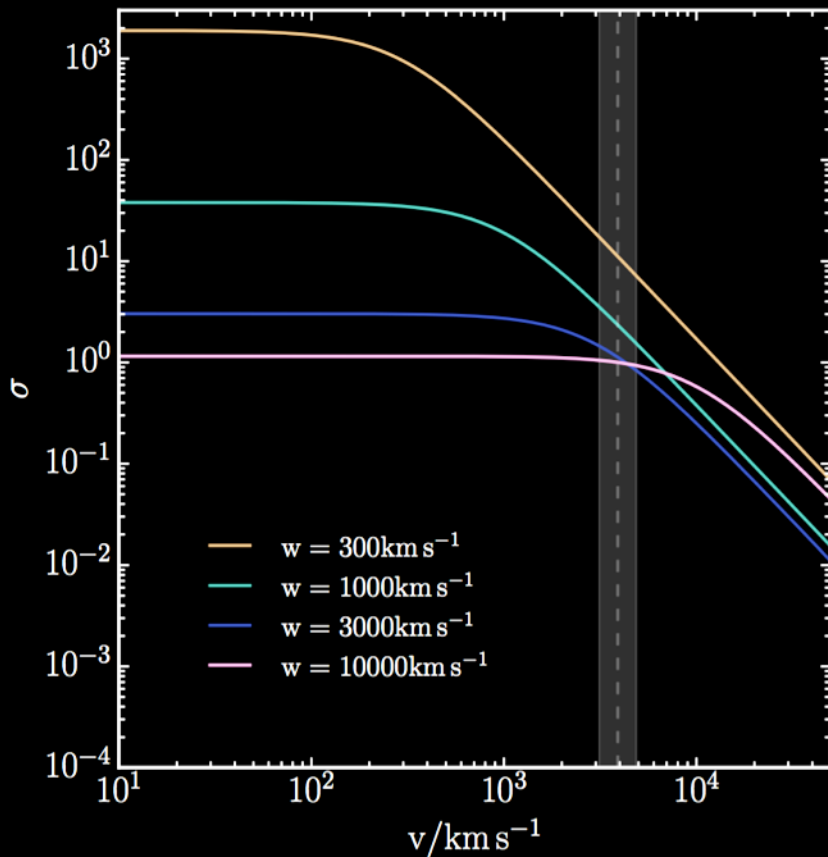


$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\alpha_\chi^2}{m_\chi^2 \left(m_\phi^2 / m_\chi^2 + v^2 \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^2}$$

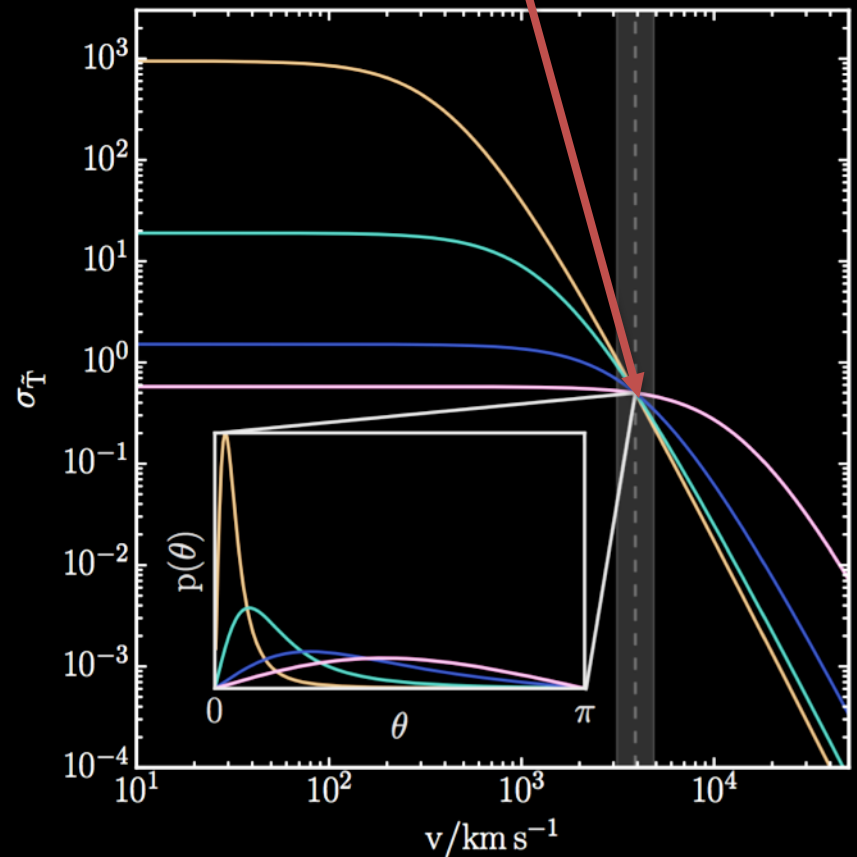
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{\sigma_0}{4\pi \left(1 + \frac{v^2}{w^2} \sin^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \right)^2}$$

YUKAWA CROSS-SECTIONS FOR BULLET CLUSTER SIMULATIONS

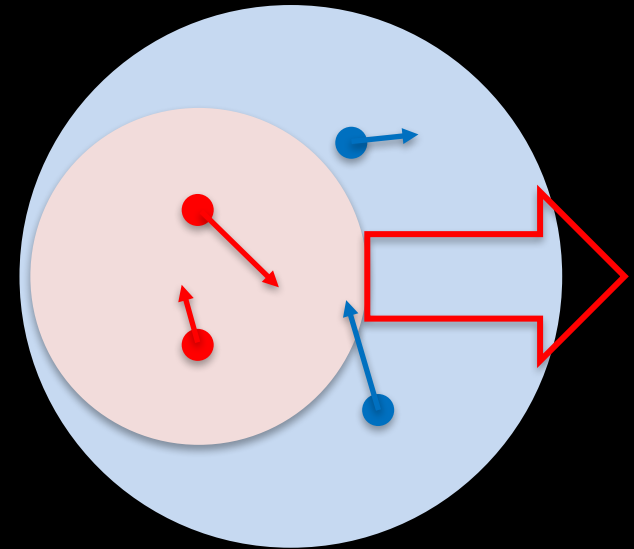
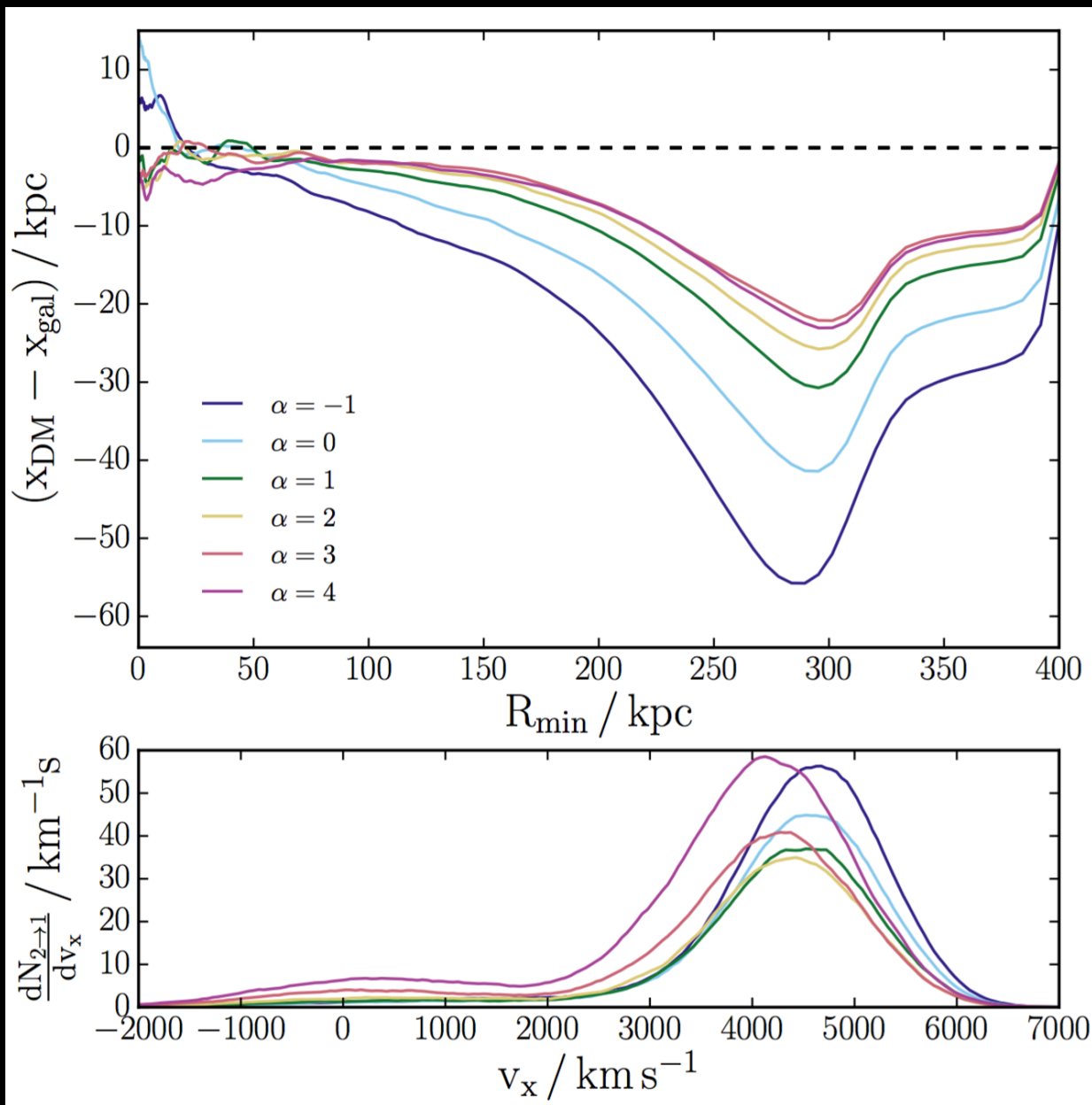
Four different cross-sections, with different 'turn-over' velocities



Matched to have same σ_{\dagger} at 3900 km/s



THE EFFECTS OF VELOCITY DEPENDENCE



The motion of particles within their halos has a component transverse to the collision axis, which increases the average pairwise velocity of particles above the collision velocity of the two haloes

$$\frac{\sigma(v)}{m} = \left(\frac{v}{4350 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{-\alpha} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$$