

Formation and evolution of CDM halos and their substructure

- 1) cold dark matter and structures on all scales
- 2) via lactea, $z=0$ results
- 3) subhalo evolution
- 4) DM annihilation and GLAST

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CMB, LSS, SN Ia, BBN → LambdaCDM

WMAP-3yr (alone, flat prior):

$\Omega_m = 0.238$

of which Ω_b is only 0.042

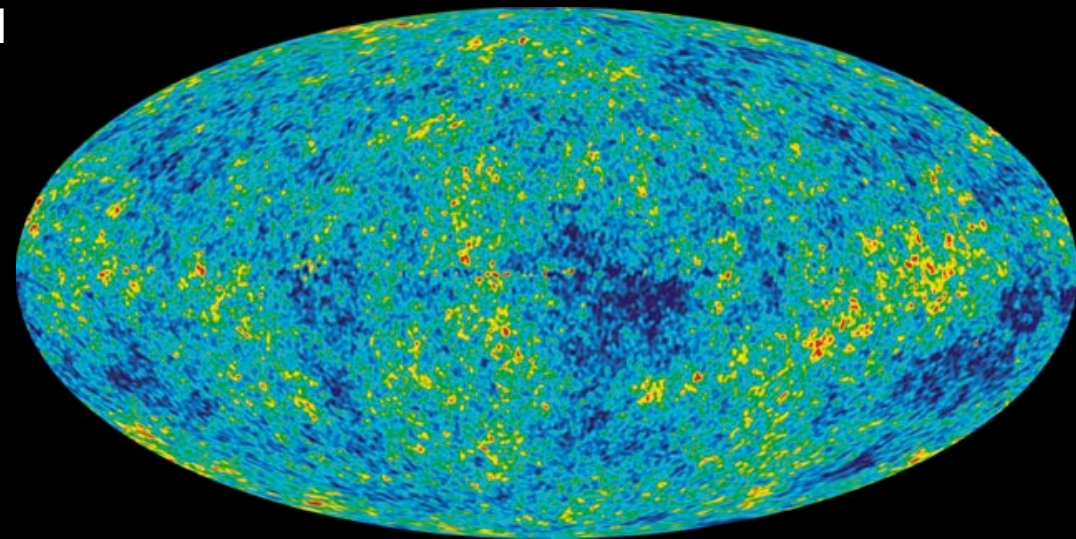
with small errors (less than 10%)

DM is “cold”, or at least “cool”:

Lyman-alpha forest, early reionisation



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Credit: NASA/WMAP

→ 83% of the clustering matter is some non-baryonic, very weakly interacting, “cold” dark matter

We don't know yet what the DM is, but we can still simulate its clustering ...

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complementary approach:

hydro-dynamical simulations

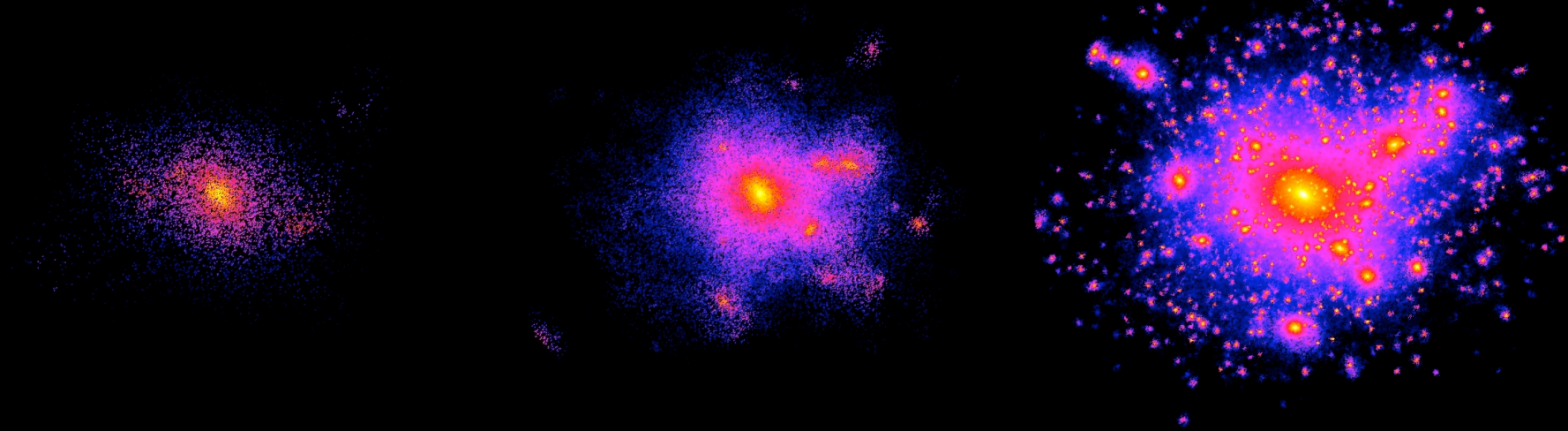
- computationally expensive, resolution relatively low
- hydro is not trivial (SPH and grid codes often disagree, e.g. Agertz et al 2006)
- important physical processes far below the resolved scales (star formation, SN, ... ?)
implemented through uncertain functions and free parameters

➡ approximate solution to the more realistic problem

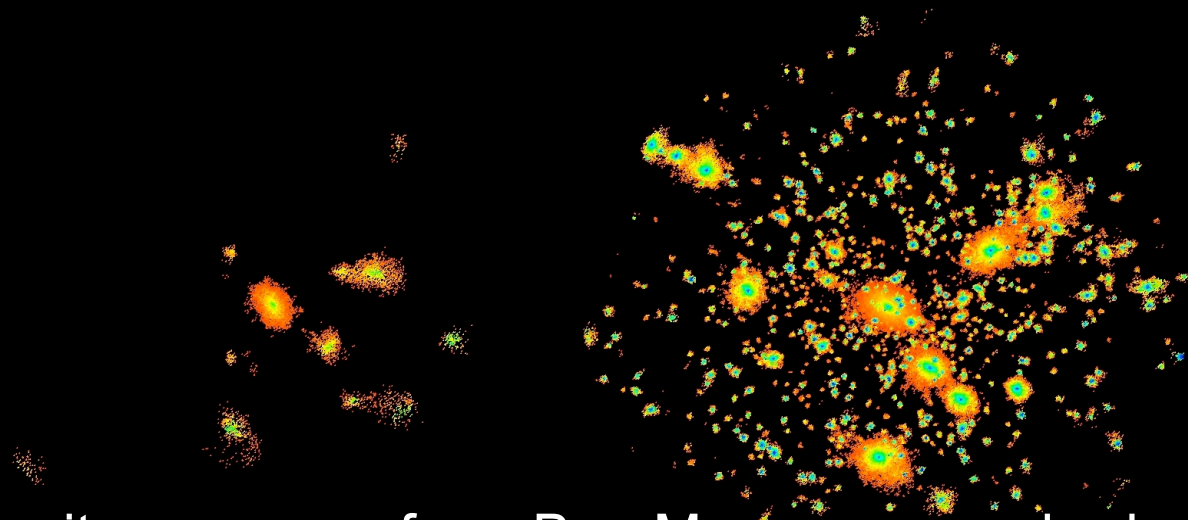
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N-body models approximating CDM halos (about 1995 to 2000)

log density

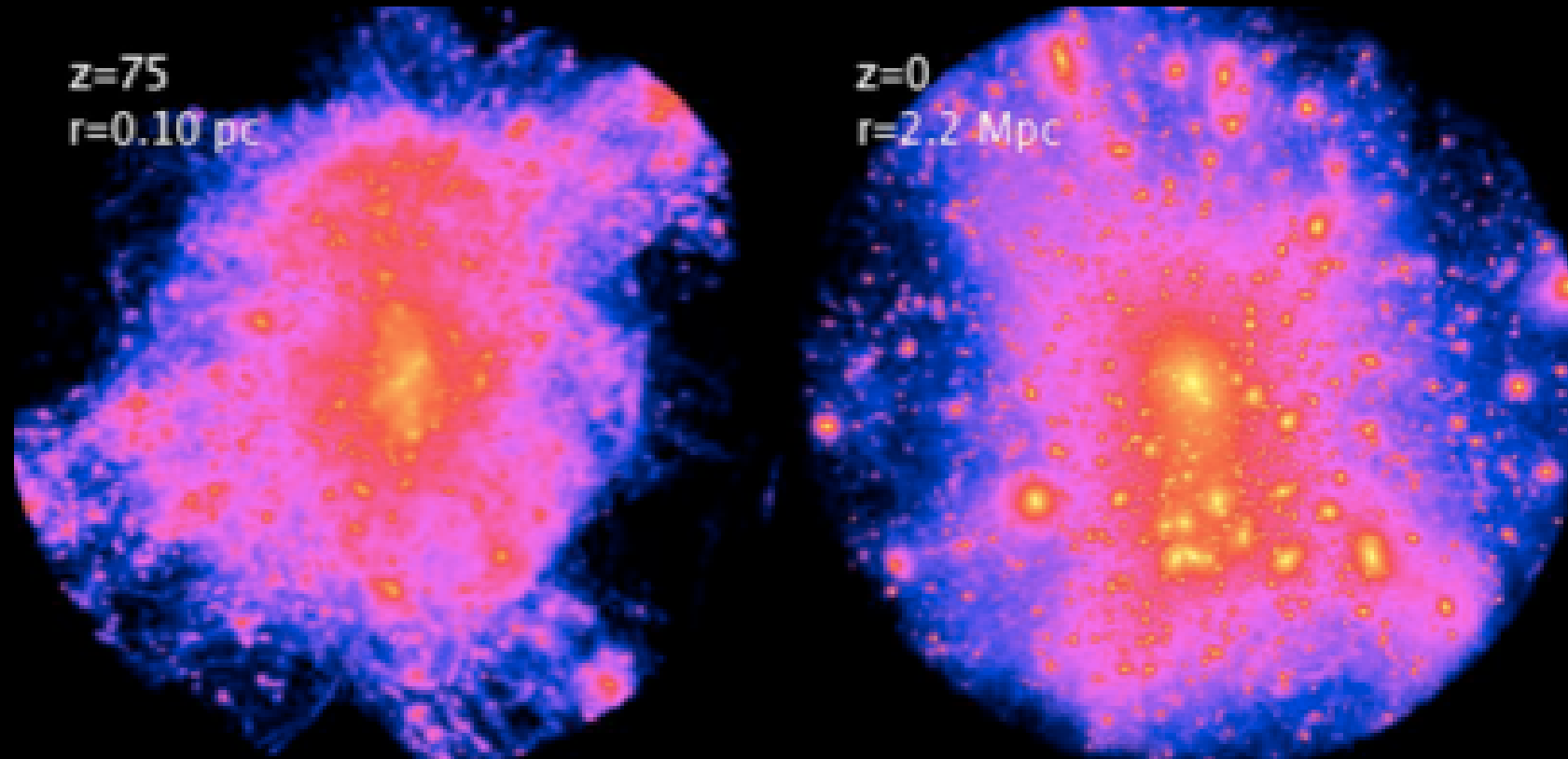


log phase space density

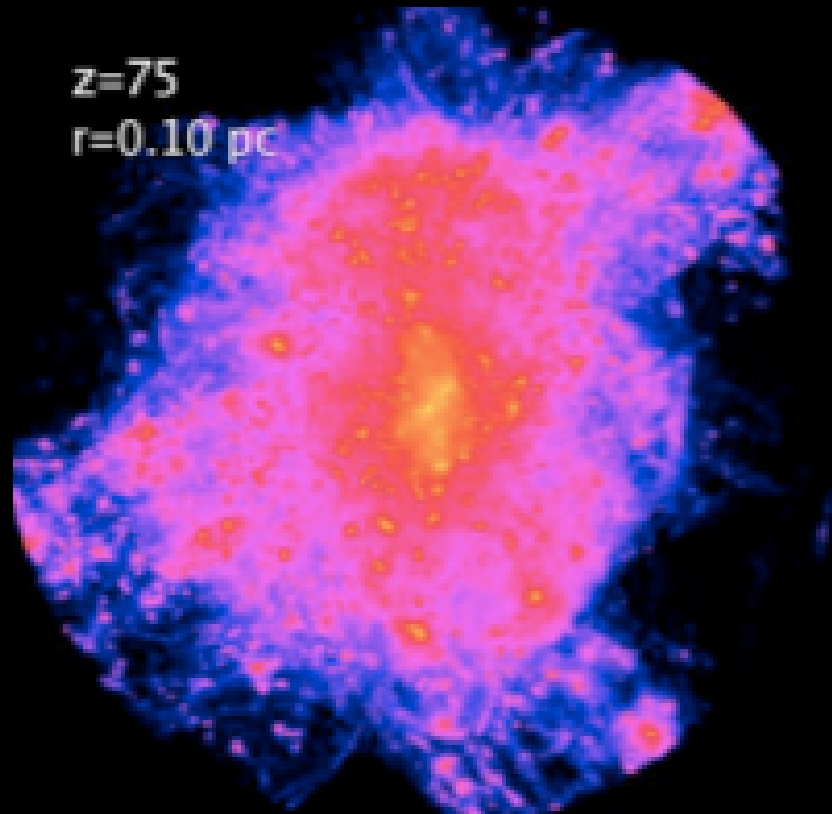


from Ben Moore : www.nbody.net

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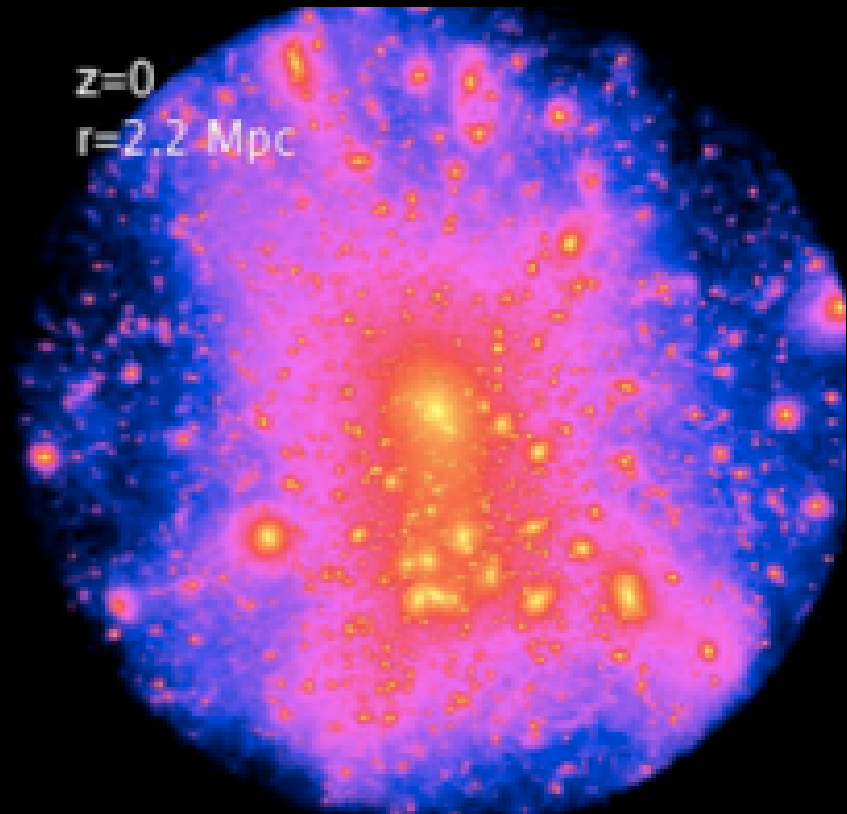
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$M \sim 0.01 M_{\text{sun}}$ microhalo



no baryons, dark DM structure, but relevant for DM annihilation signal:
extragalactic background, M31, Draco ... nearby dark subhalos



$M = 6 \times 10^{14} M_{\text{sun}}$ galaxy cluster

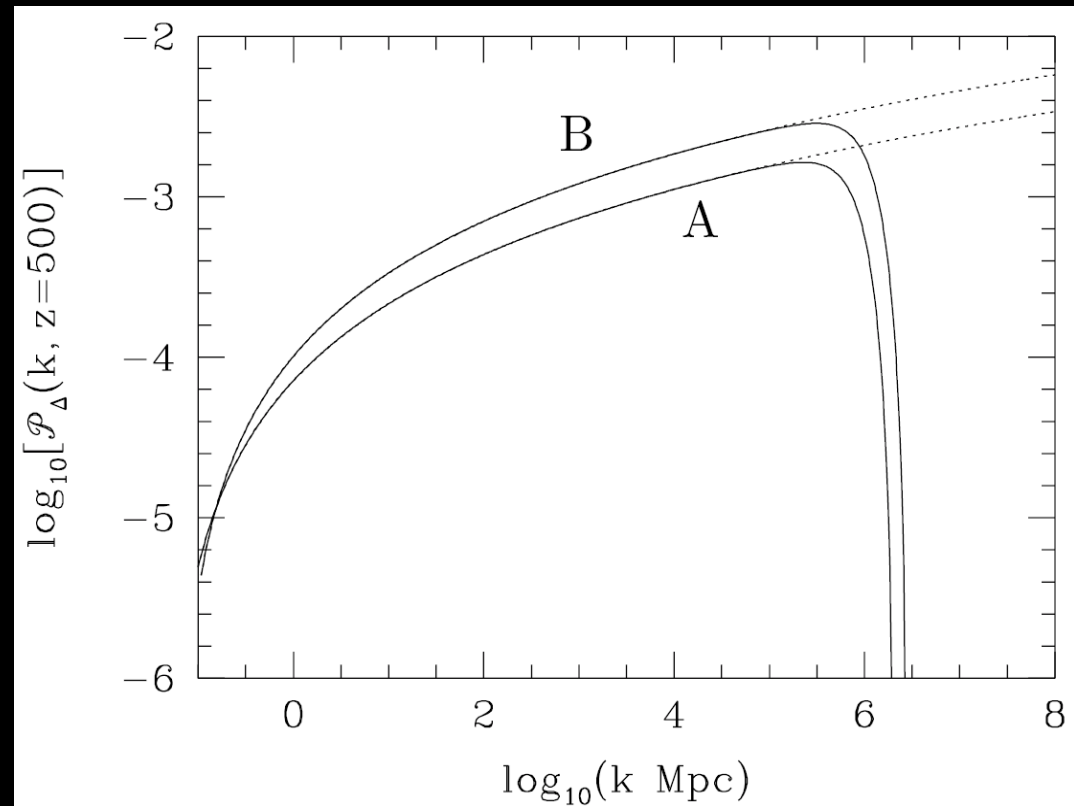
smallest scale CDM structures in the field

For a 100 GeV SUSY neutralino (a WIMP)
there is a cutoff at about 10^{-6} Msun
due to free streaming



small, “micro”-halos should forming
around $z=40$ are the first and smallest
CDM structures

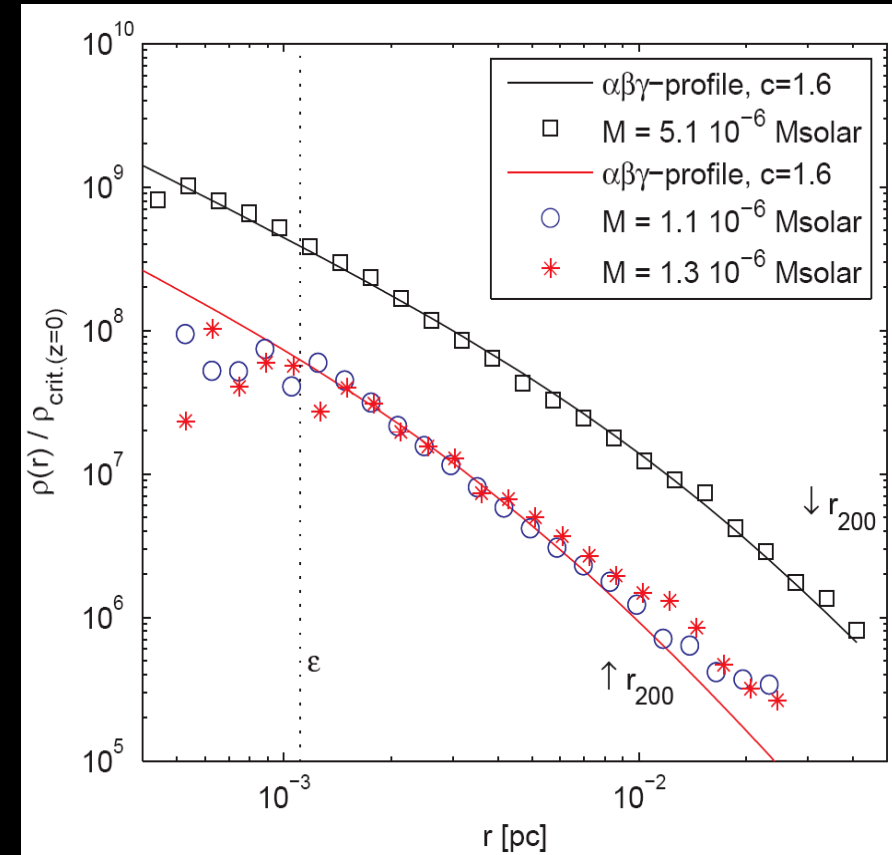
from Green, Hoffmann & Schwarz 2003



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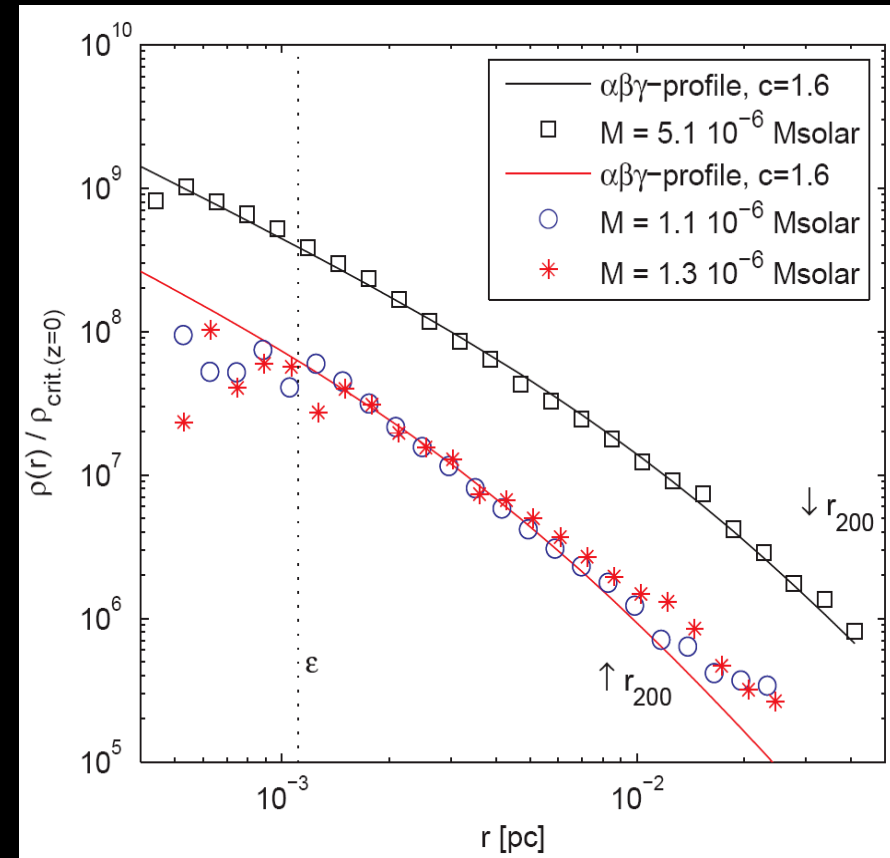
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-> they are stable against tides caused
by the MW potential if they live more
than about 3 kpc from the galactic center

i.e. a huge number $\sim 5 \times 10^{15}$ could be
orbiting in the MW halo today

JD, Moore, Stadel, astro-ph/0501589

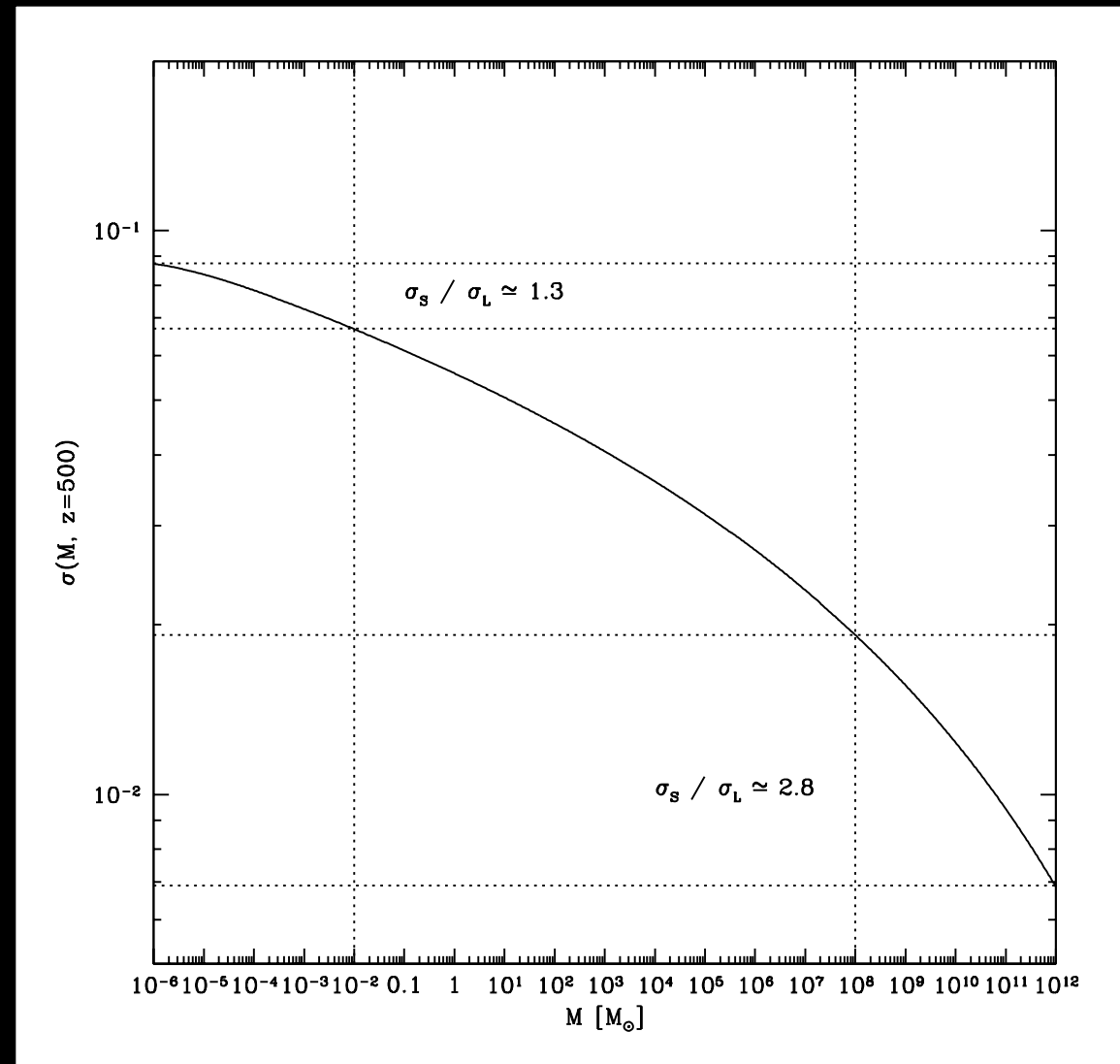
some tidal mass loss and disruption due to
encounters with stars (see Goerdt et al astro-ph/0608495)



smallest scale CDM substructures

since $P(k) \sim k^{-2.9}$
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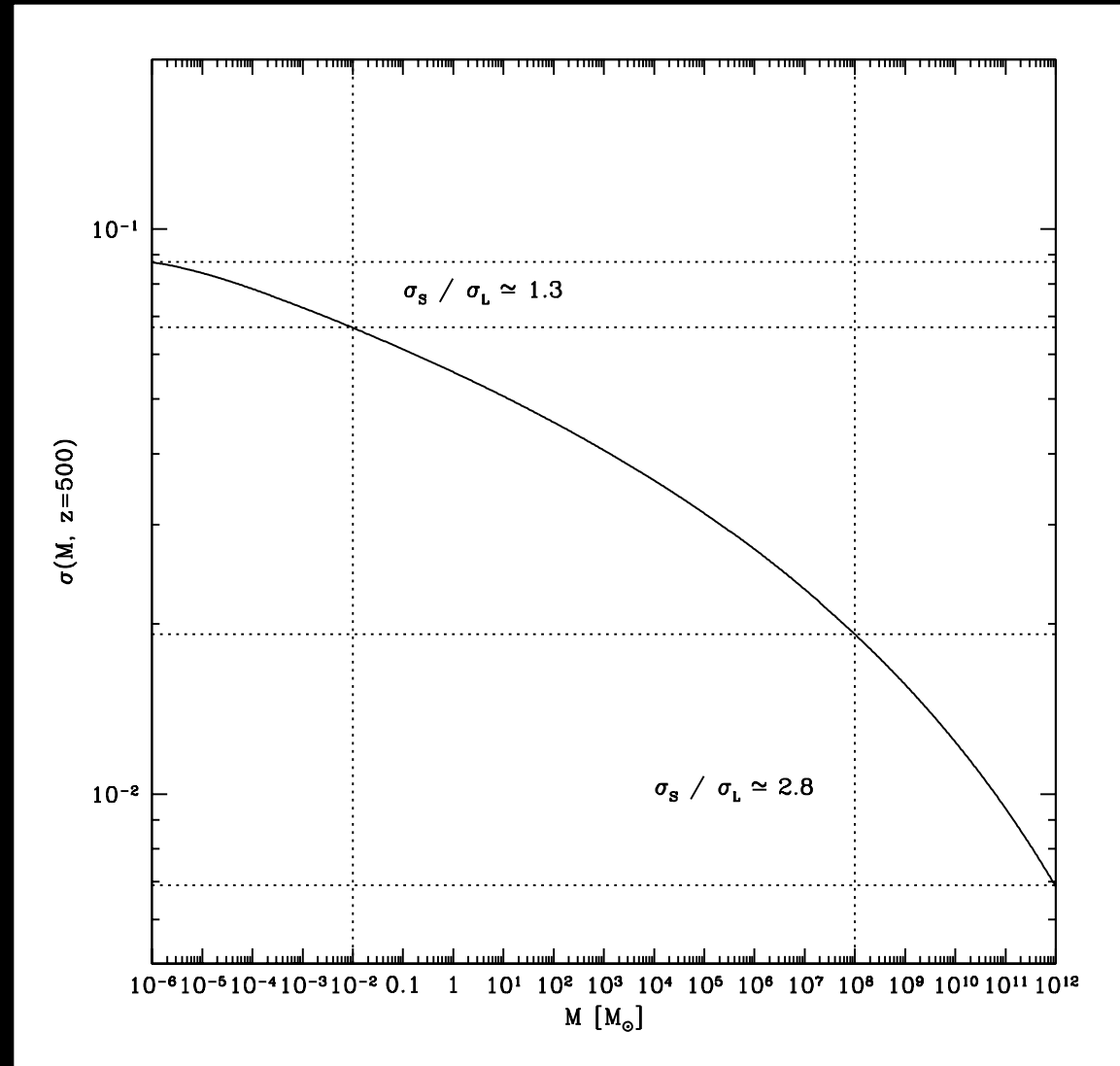
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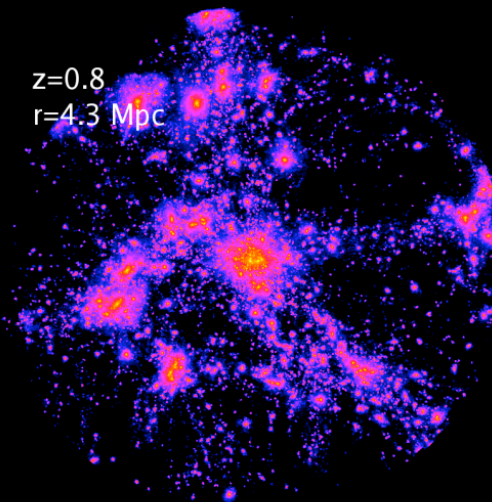
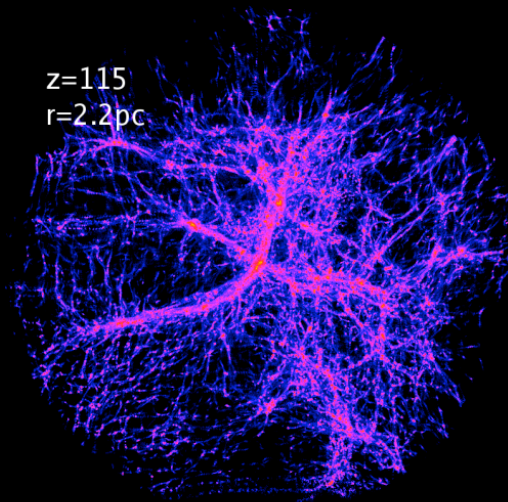
only true for the average field halo

not true for subhalos, they form on
top of a larger perturbation, and
therefore earlier

is there enough time for them to
virialize and survive accretion into
a larger host?



almost
simultaneous
collapse of a
0.01 Msun halo
at $z=75$

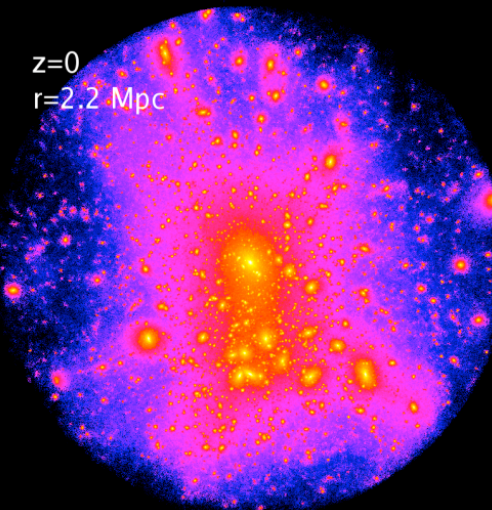
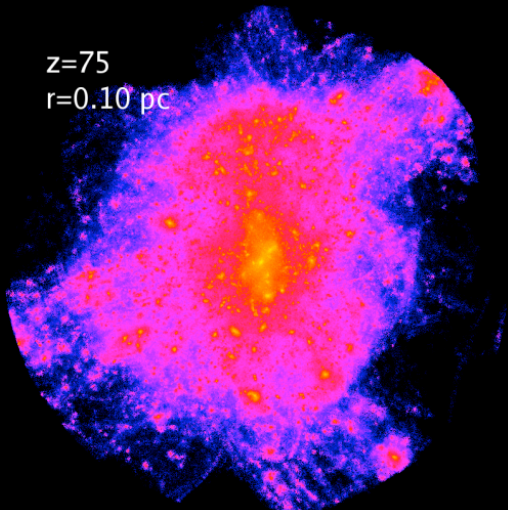
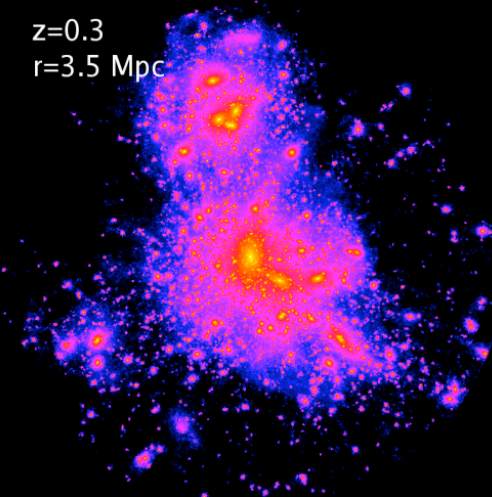
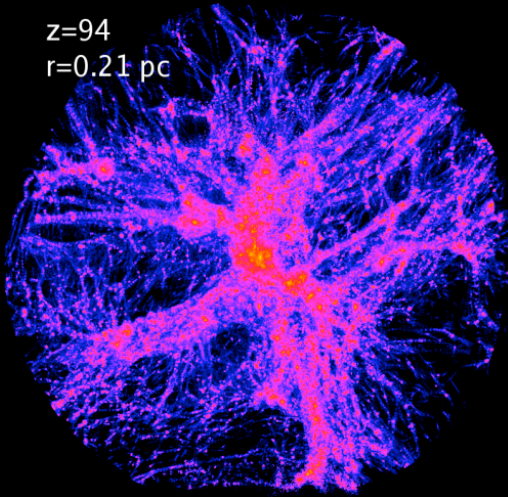


hierarchical
formation of a $z=0$
cluster

same comoving
DM density scale
from 10 to 10^6
times the critical
density

in each panel the
final $M_{\text{vir}} \sim 20$
million particles are
shown

lower density
contrast, but
similar subhalo
abundance as in
a $z=0$ cluster



2) $z=0$ results from “via lactea”

a Milky Way halo simulated with over 200 million particles

➤ JD, Kuhlen, Madau astro-ph/0611370

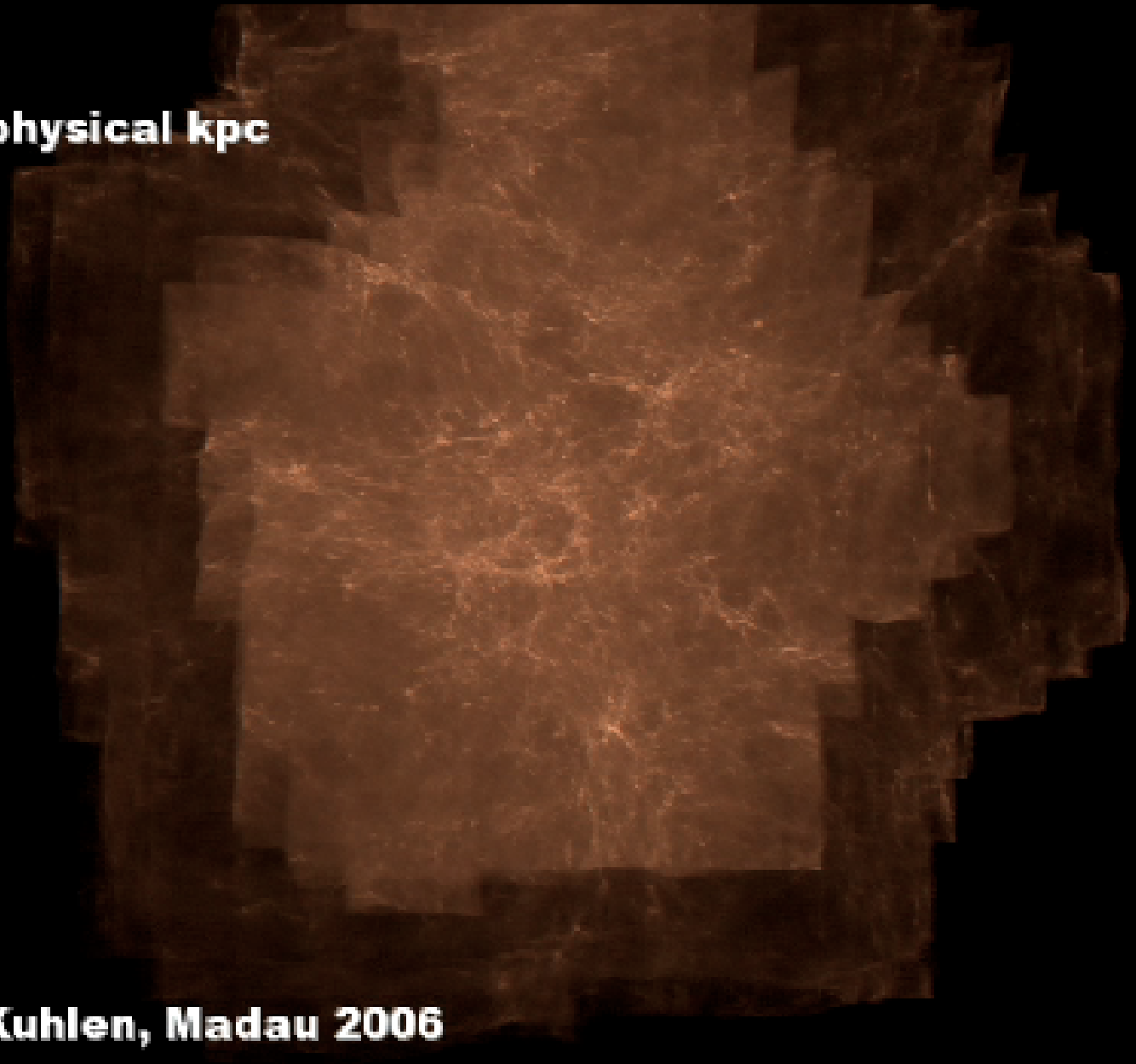
➤ largest DM simulation to date
320,000 cpu-hours on NASA's Project Columbia supercomputer.



- 213 million high resolution particles, embedded in a periodic 90 Mpc box sampled at lower resolution to account for tidal field.
- WMAP (year 3) cosmology:
 $\Omega_m=0.238$, $\Omega_L=0.762$, $H_0=73$ km/s/Mpc, $n_s=0.951$, $\sigma_8=0.74$.
- force resolution: 90 parsec
- time resolution: adaptive time steps as small as 68,500 years
- mass resolution: 20,900 $M_\odot$

$z=11.9$

800 x 600 physical kpc



Diemand, Kuhlen, Madau 2006

via lactea

a Milky Way dark matter halo simulated with 234 million particles on NASA's [Project Columbia](#) supercomputer

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data (full snapshots, subhalo properties, histories etc. will become available in summer 2007)

movies

These animations show the projected dark matter density-square maps of the simulated Milky Way-size halo Via Lactea. The logarithmic color scale covers the same 20 decades in projected density-square in physical units in each frame. All movies are encoded in MPEG format and some are available in different quality versions.

the formation of the Via Lactea halo

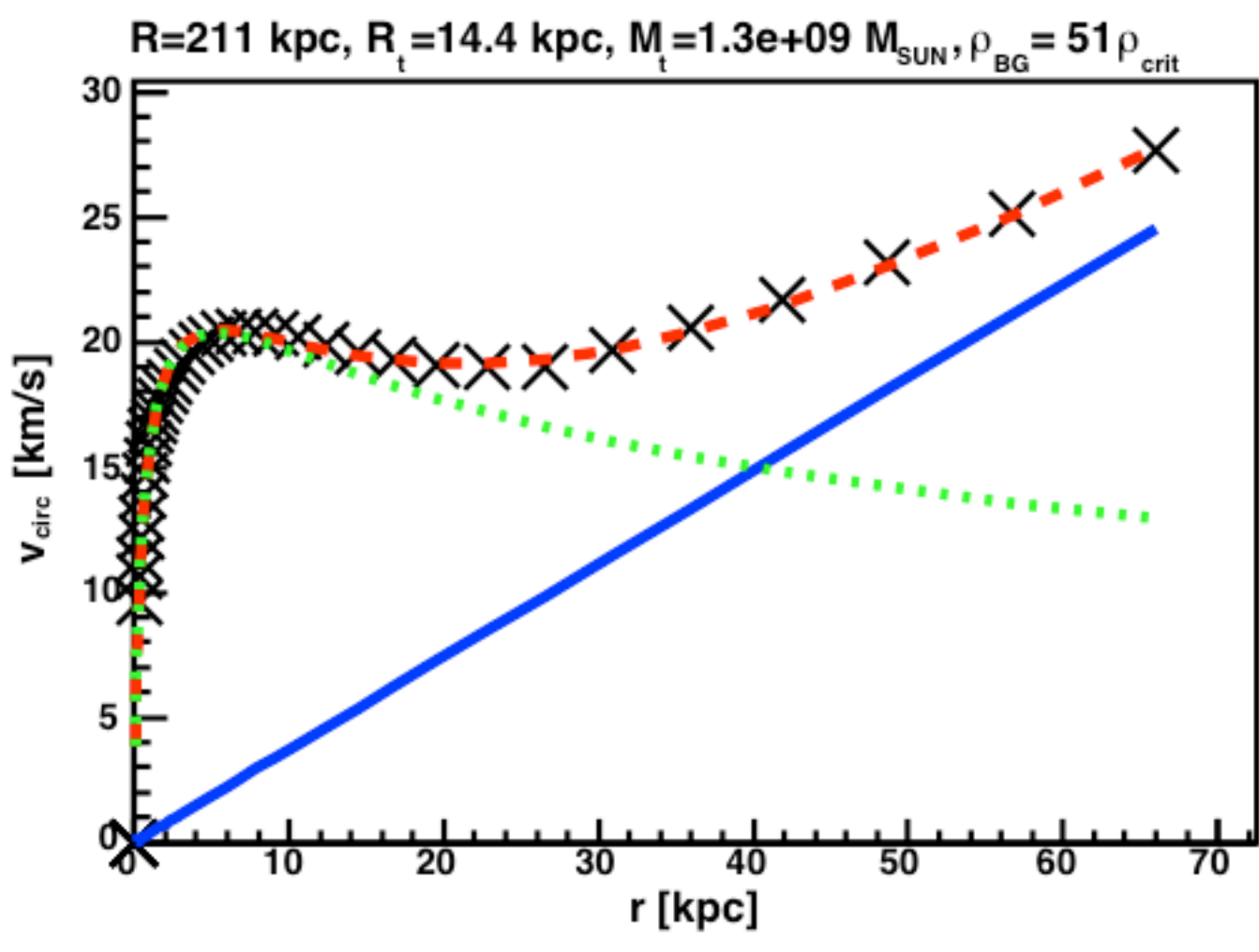


- entire formation history ($z=12$ to 0): [high quality \(218MB\)](#)
smaller frames, quality: [high\(55MB\)](#) [medium\(11MB\)](#)
[low\(4.7MB\)](#)
- entire formation history, plus rotation and zoom at $z=0$:
quality: [high\(433MB\)](#) [medium\(72MB\)](#)
- early, active phase of merging and mass assembly ($z=12$ to 1.3):
[\(81MB\)](#)
- late, passive and stationary phase ($z=1.3$ to 0): [\(137MB\)](#)

rotation and zoom into the Via Lactea halo at $z=0$ (today)



subhalo properties: definitions



$$V_c(r) = \sqrt{G M(<r) / r}$$

in spherical bins around
a peak in phase space density

fitted by a constant
background density plus
an NFW subhalo

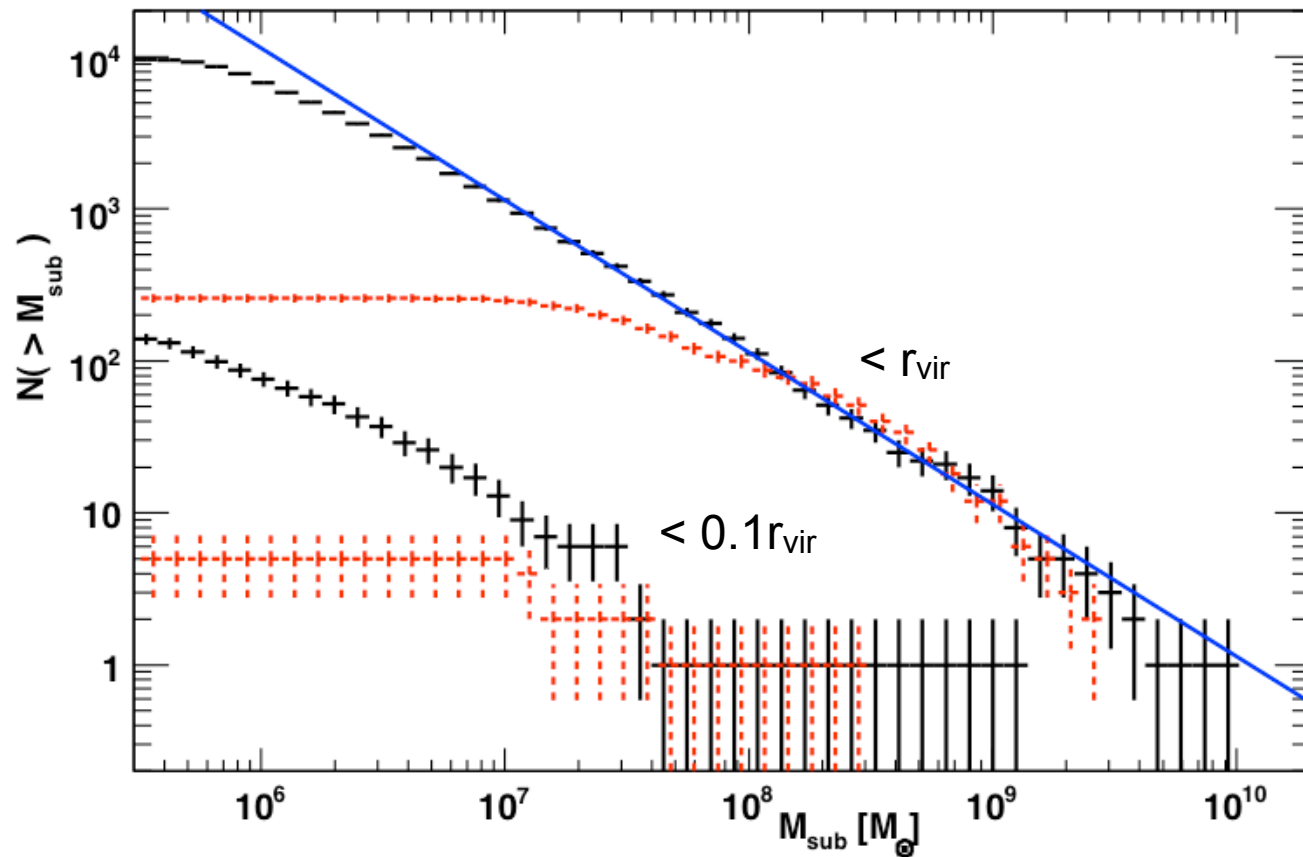
$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_s}{r/r_s (1 + r/r_s)^2}$$

$$r_{V_{\text{max}}} = 2.163 r_s$$

subhalo density (tidal radius) := 2 background density

subhalo tidal mass := total mass(< tidal radius) ~< bound mass

subhalo mass functions

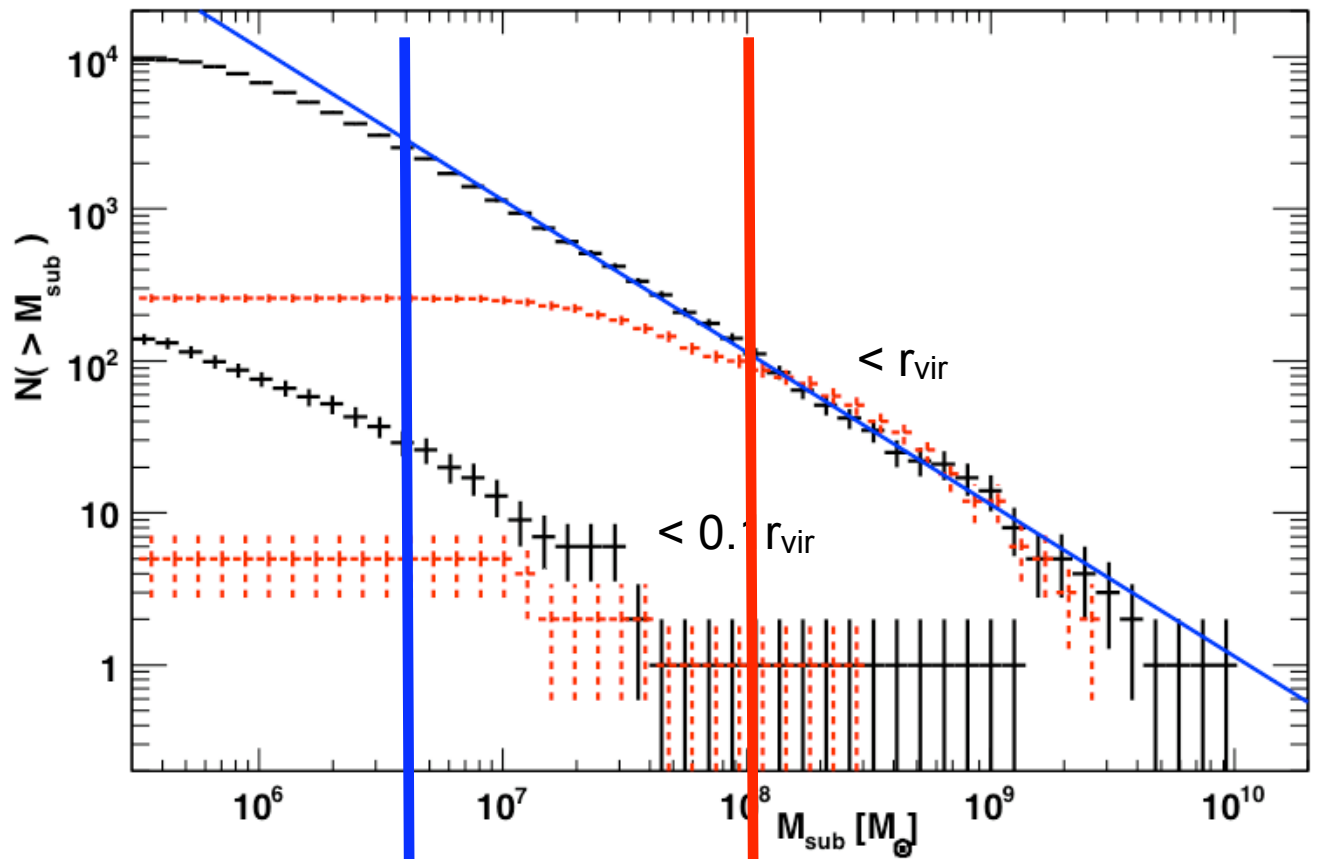


$$N(>M) \sim M^{-a}$$

with a between 0.9 and 1.1,
depending on mass range
used

steeper at high M
due to dynamical friction

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200 particle limits
via lactea lower resolution run

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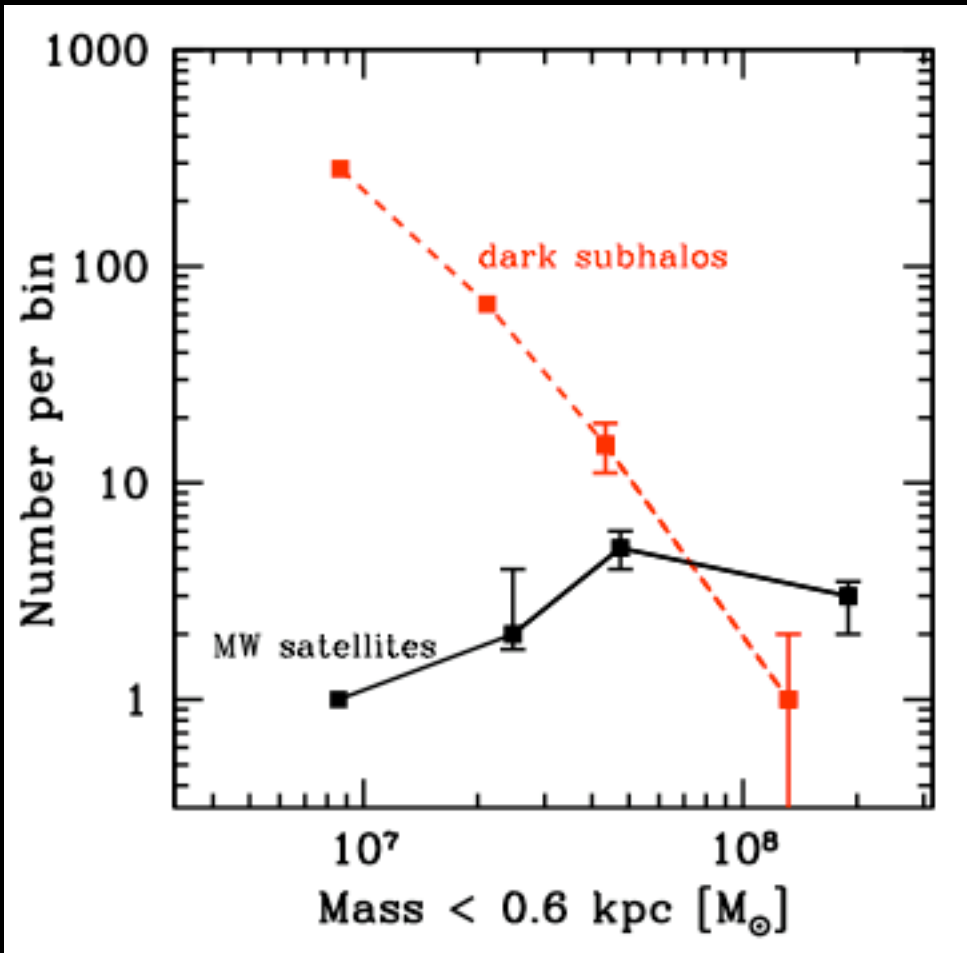
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Close to constant contribution
to mass in subhalos
per decade in subhalo mass

subhalo abundance vs Milky Way satellite galaxies

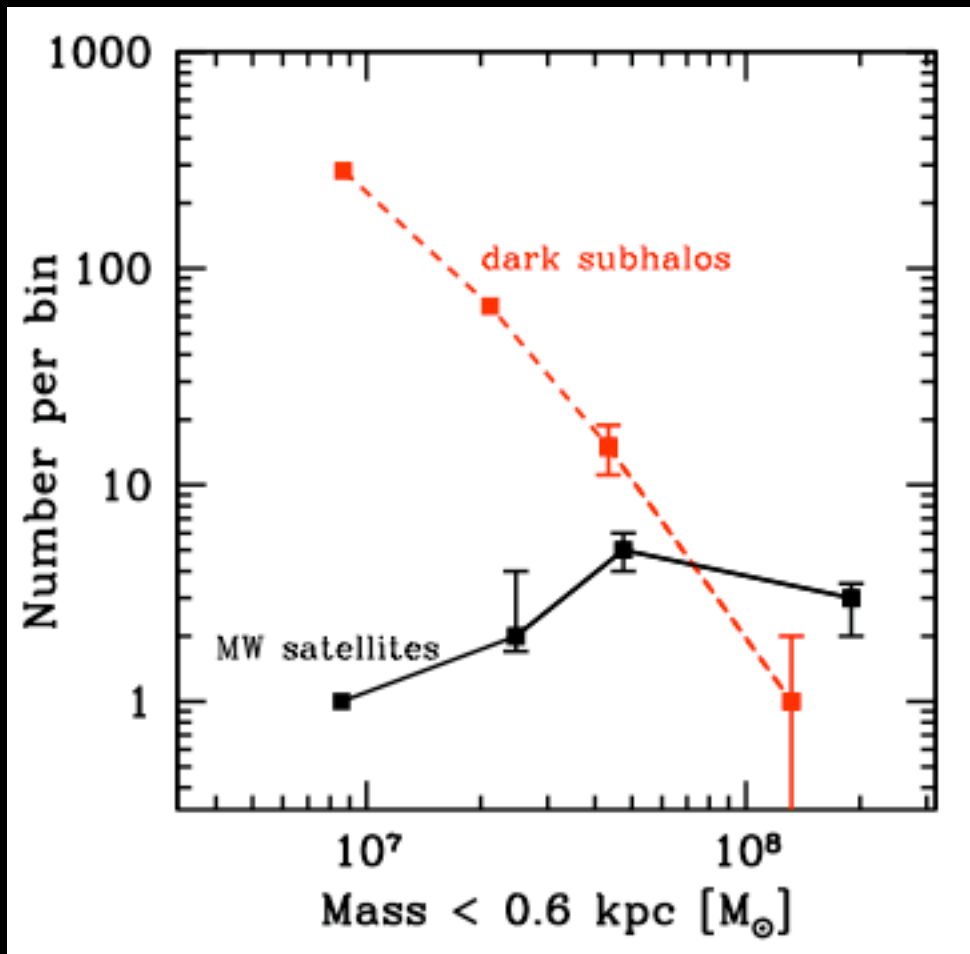


first direct comparison:

mass within 0.6 kpc is now well constrained from stellar kinematics

and this mass is now well resolved in via lactea

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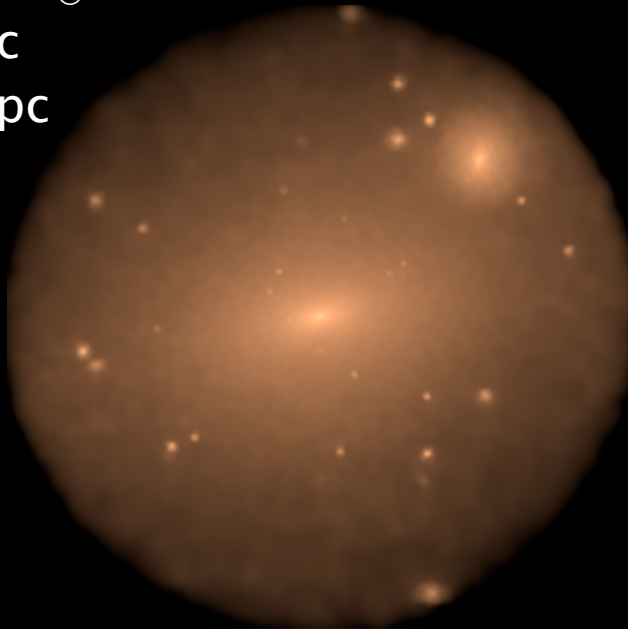
similar, but more accurate than the classic “missing satellites” figures in Moore et al 1999 and Klypin et al 1999 who assumed $\sqrt{3} \sigma^* = V_{\max}$

sub-subhalos in all well resolved subhalos

$$M_{\text{sub}} = 9.8 \cdot 10^9 M_{\odot}$$

$$r_{\text{tidal}} = 40.1 \text{ kpc}$$

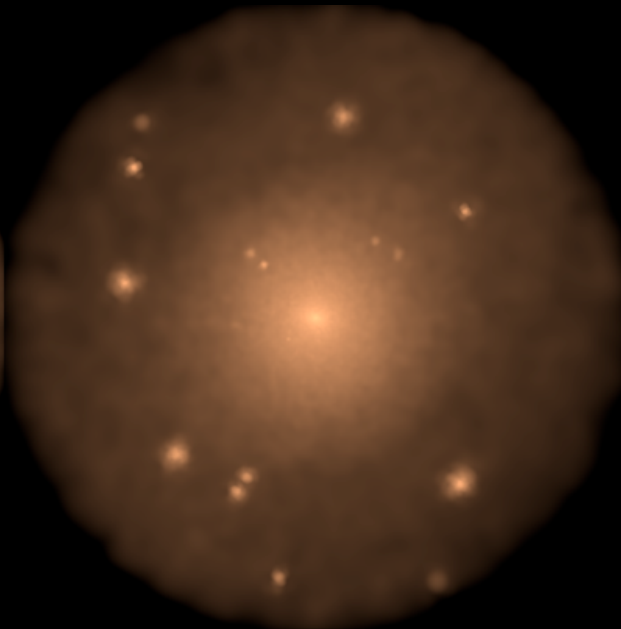
$$D_{\text{center}} = 345 \text{ kpc}$$



$$M_{\text{sub}} = 3.7 \cdot 10^9 M_{\odot}$$

$$r_{\text{tidal}} = 33.4 \text{ kpc}$$

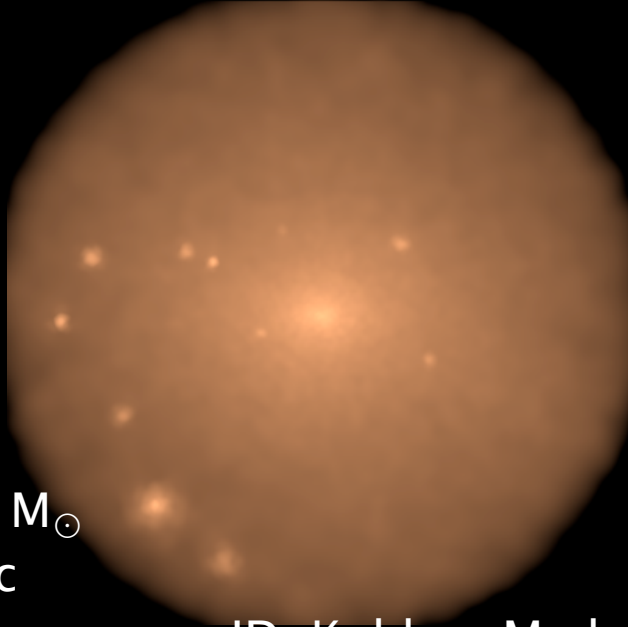
$$D_{\text{center}} = 374 \text{ kpc}$$



$$M_{\text{sub}} = 2.4 \cdot 10^9 M_{\odot}$$

$$r_{\text{tidal}} = 14.7 \text{ kpc}$$

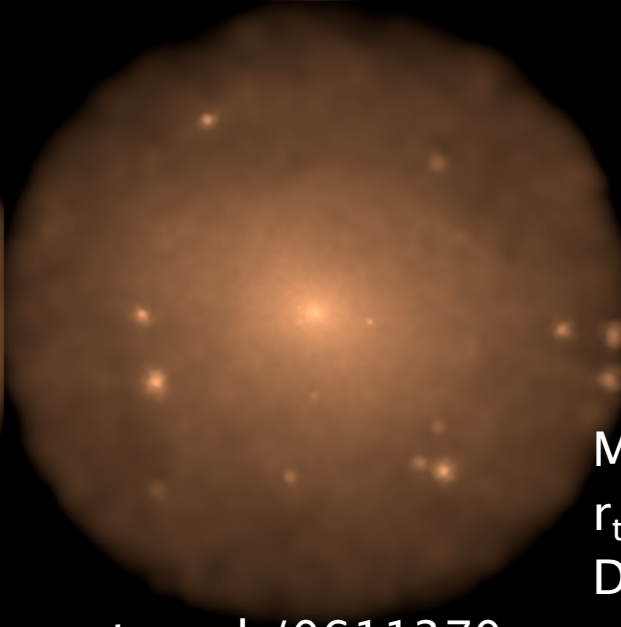
$$D_{\text{center}} = 185 \text{ kpc}$$



$$M_{\text{sub}} = 3.0 \cdot 10^9 M_{\odot}$$

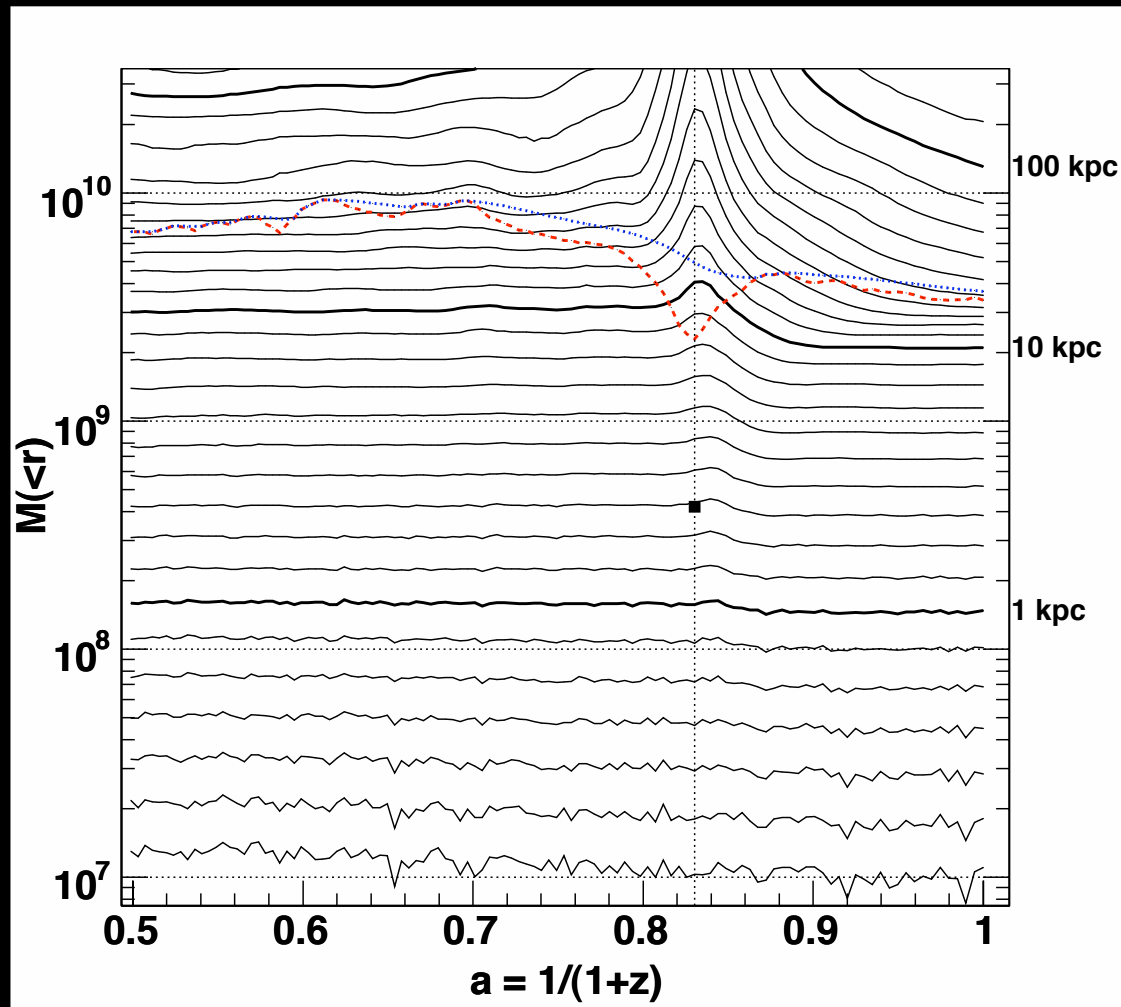
$$r_{\text{tidal}} = 28.0 \text{ kpc}$$

$$D_{\text{center}} = 280 \text{ kpc}$$



JD, Kuhlen, Madau, astro-ph/0611370

3) subhalo evolution



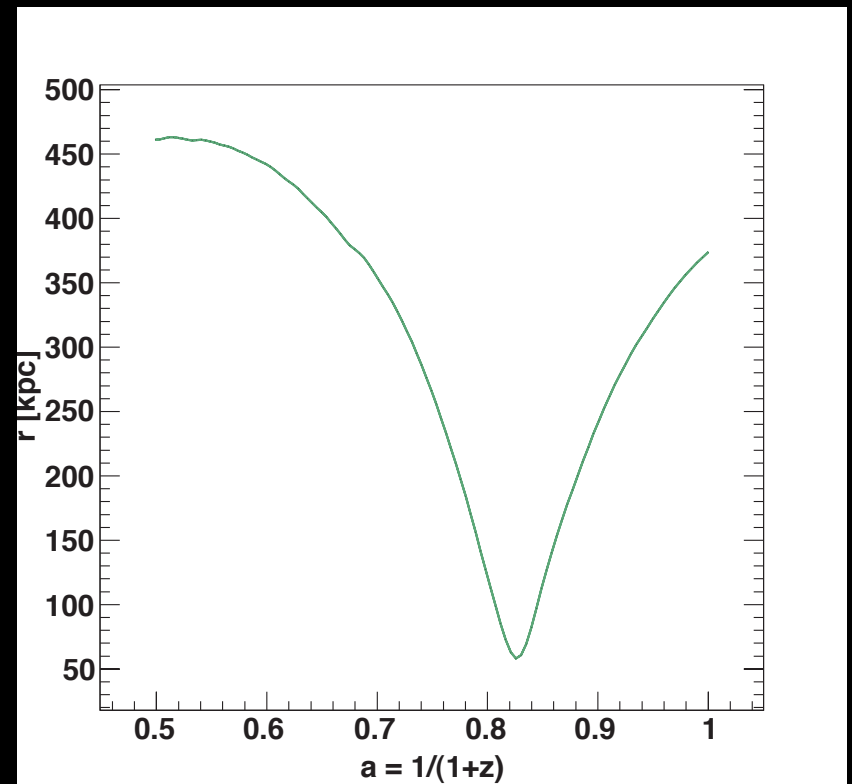
weak, long tidal shock

duration :

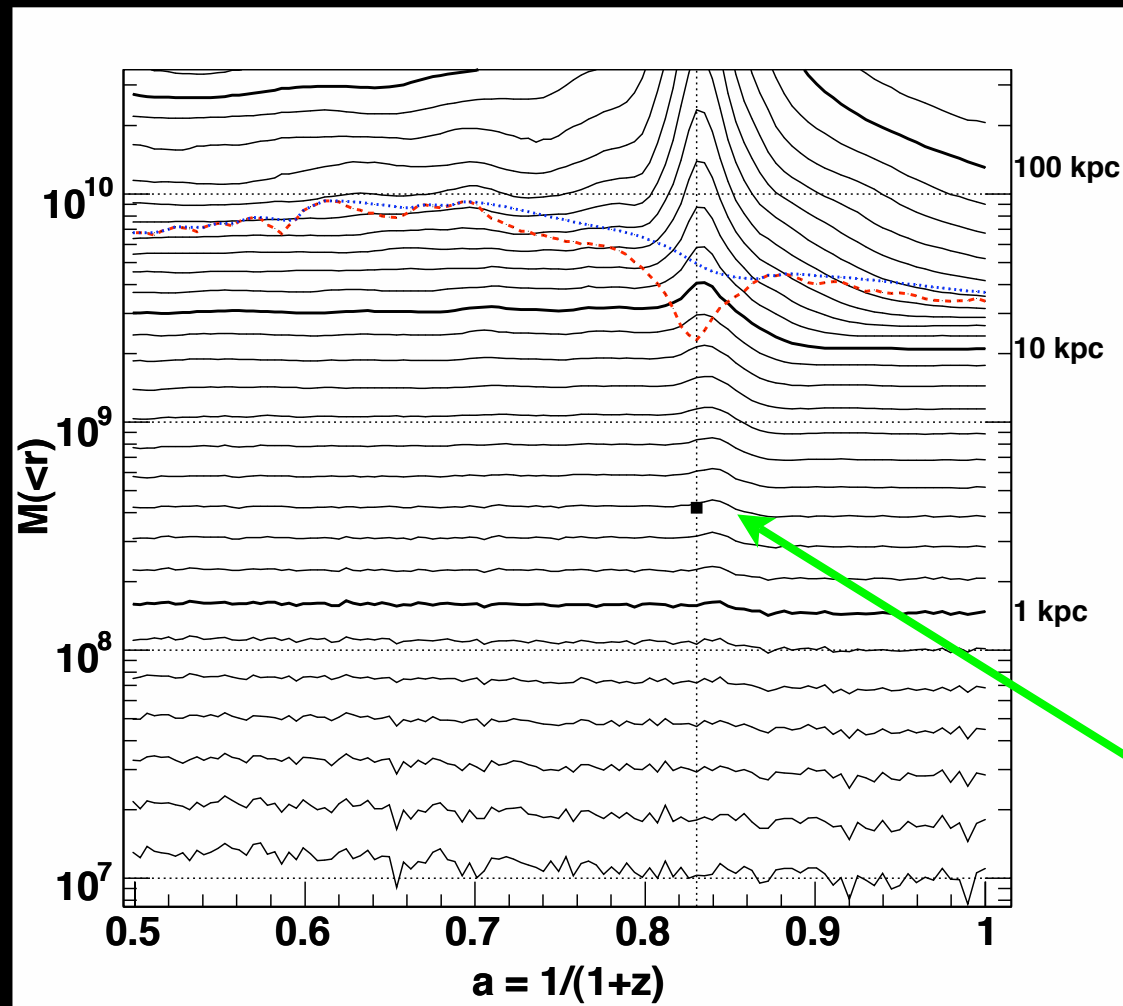
$$\tau = \pi(56 \text{ kpc}) / (423 \text{ km/s}) = 406 \text{ Myr}$$

total mass in spheres around subhalo center

this subhalo has one pericenter passage at 56 kpc



evolution of subhalo density profiles



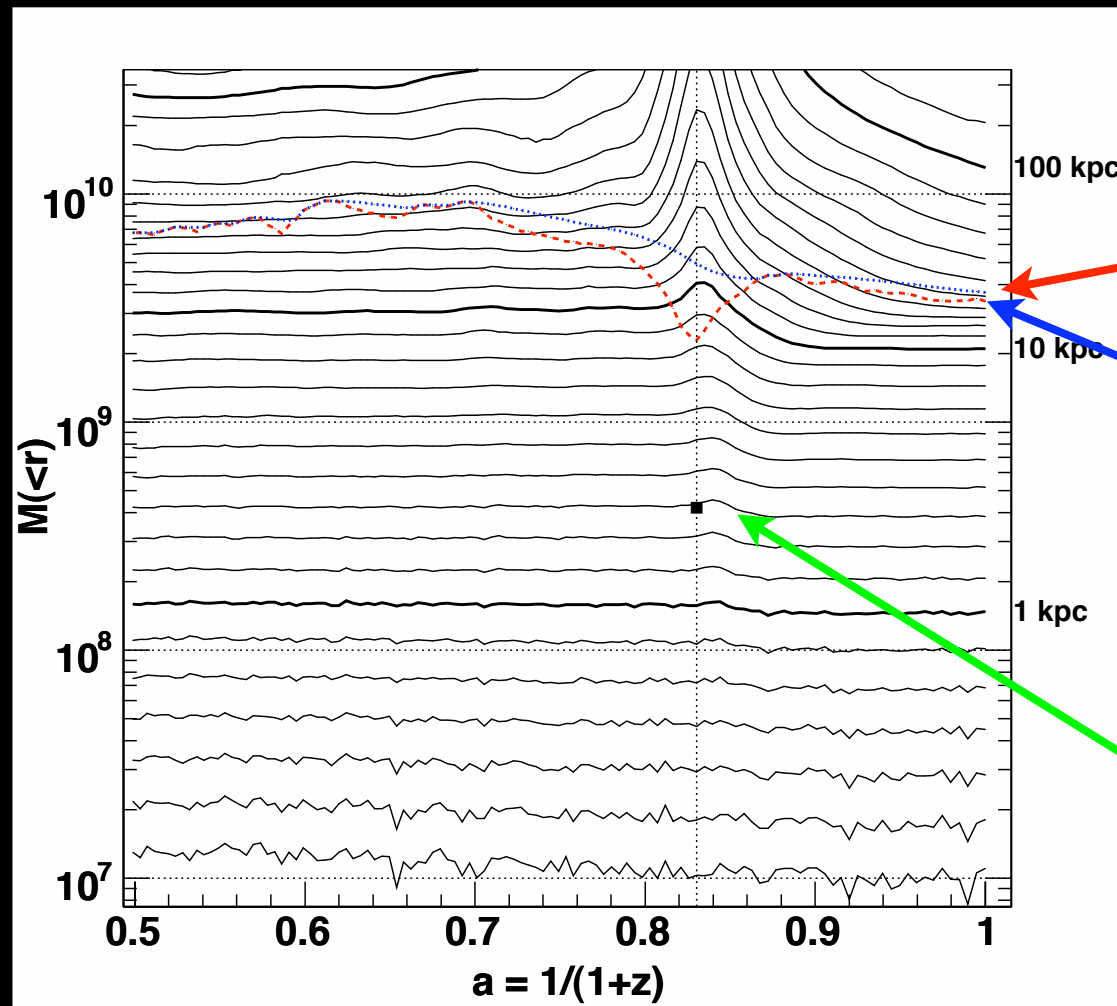
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mass loss is larger further out

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tidal mass, smaller than the bound mass at pericenter

“delayed” tidal mass

$$\Delta m = M(> r_t) \delta t / T_s$$

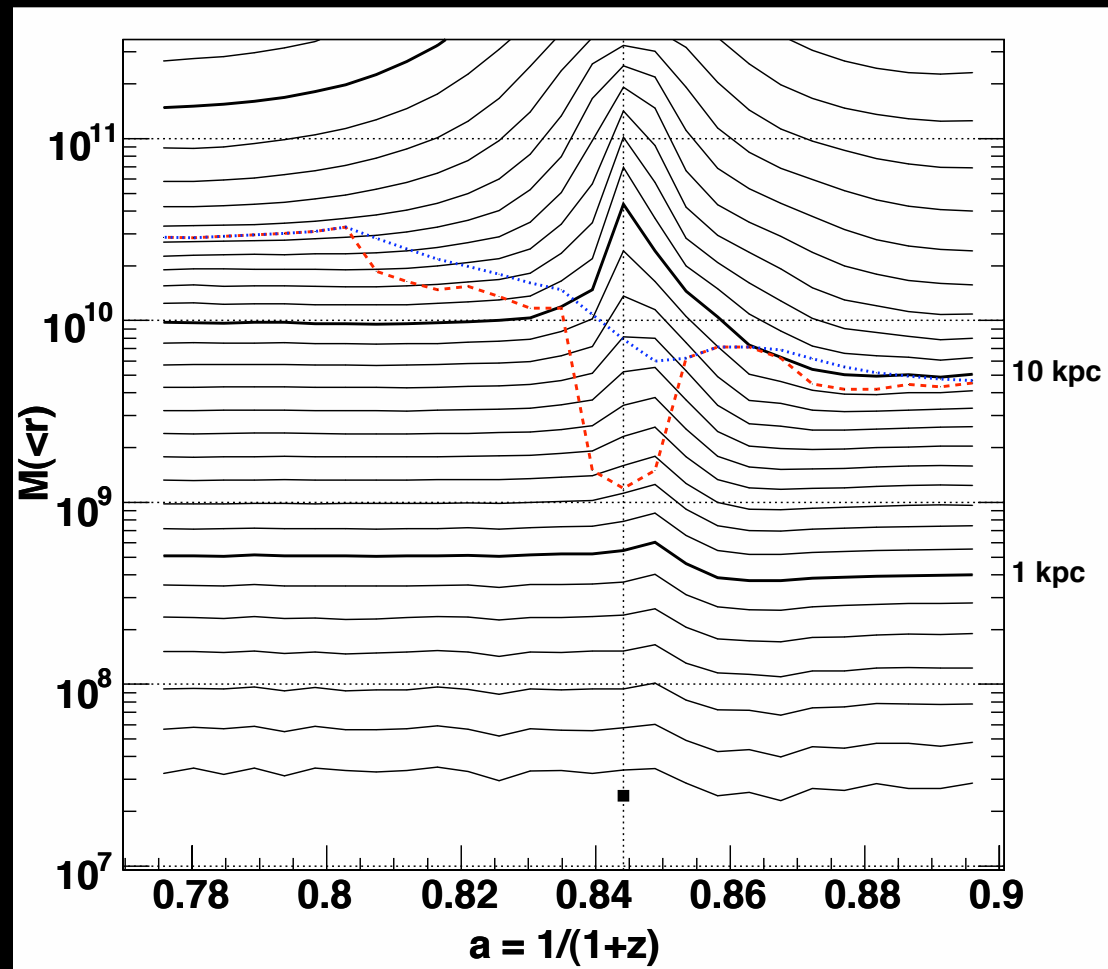
with $T_s = T_{\text{orbit}} / 6$

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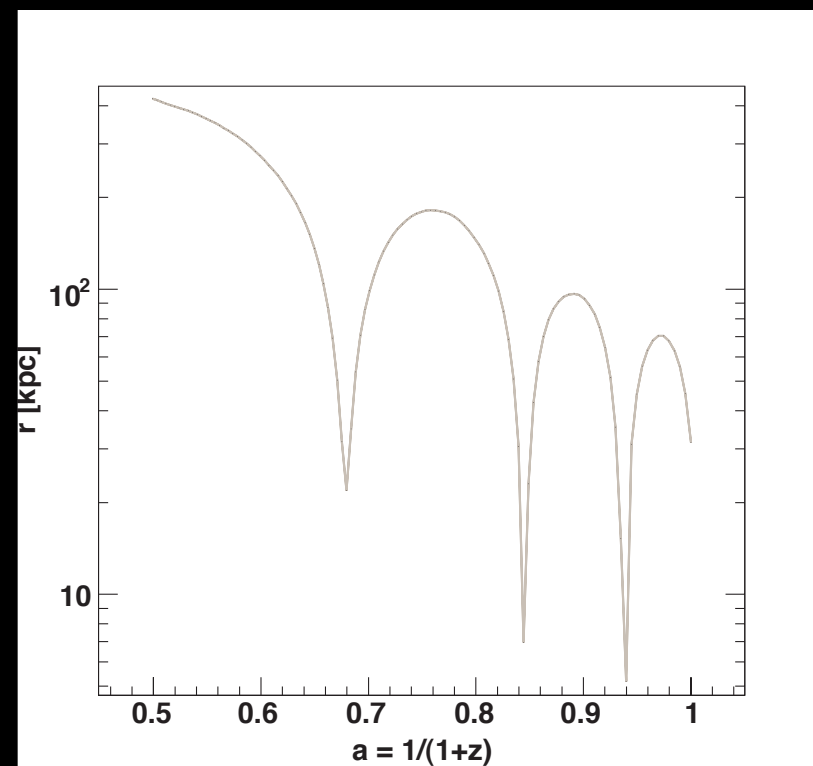
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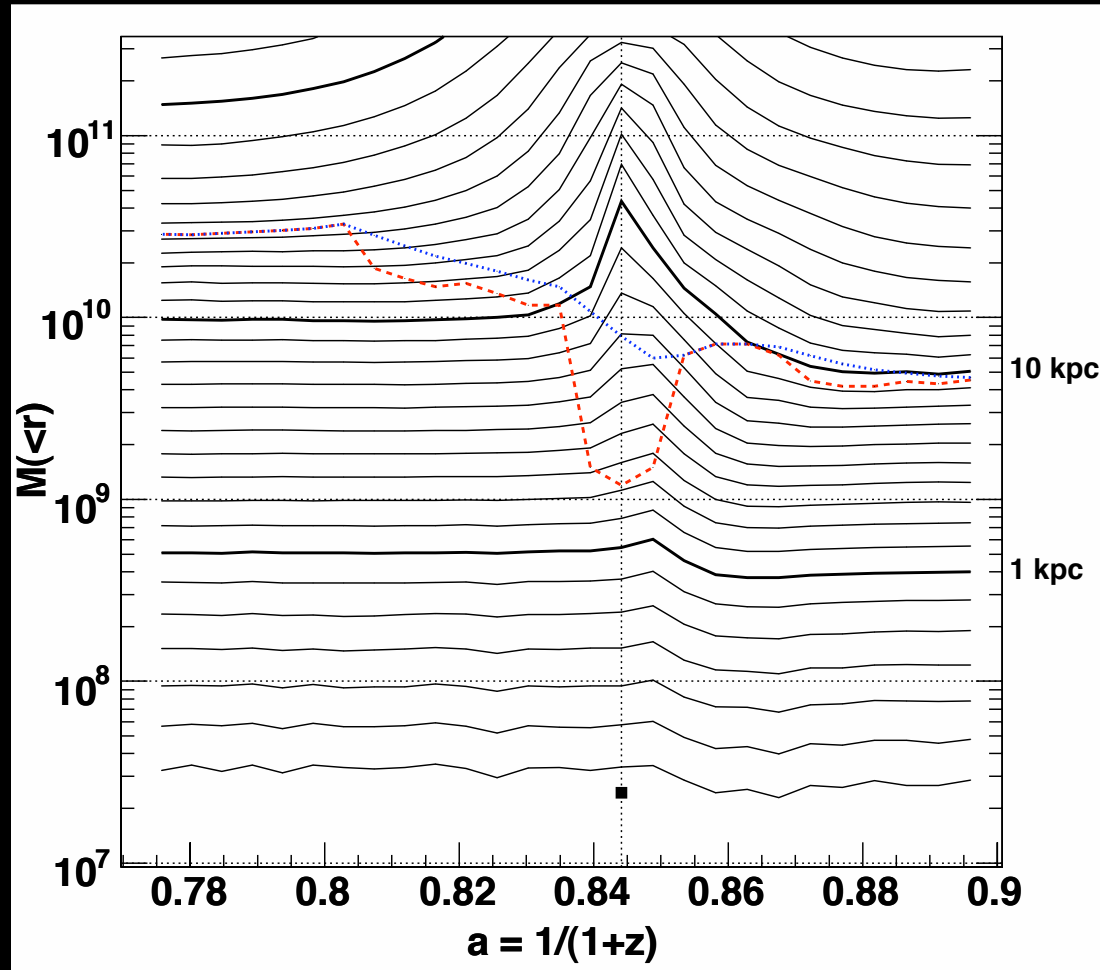


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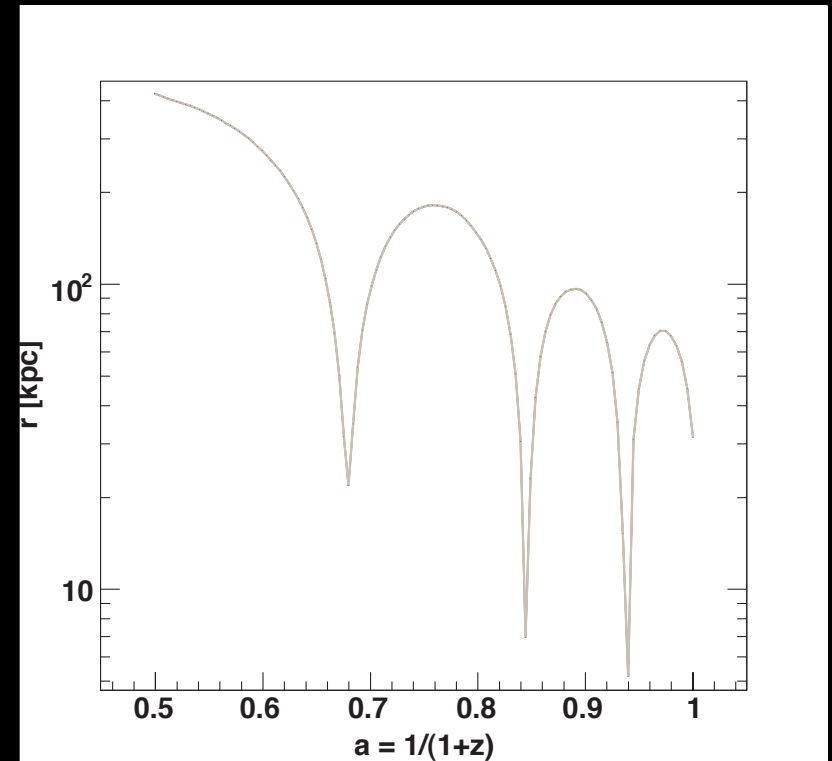


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strong, short tidal shock

short duration : 43 Myr → also affects inner halo, but mass loss still grows with radius
 at pericenter $r_{\text{tidal}} = 0.2 r_{\text{Vmax}}$, but the subhalo survives this and even the next pericenter

subhalo survival and merging

out of 1542 well resolved ($V_{\text{max}} > 5 \text{ km/s}$)
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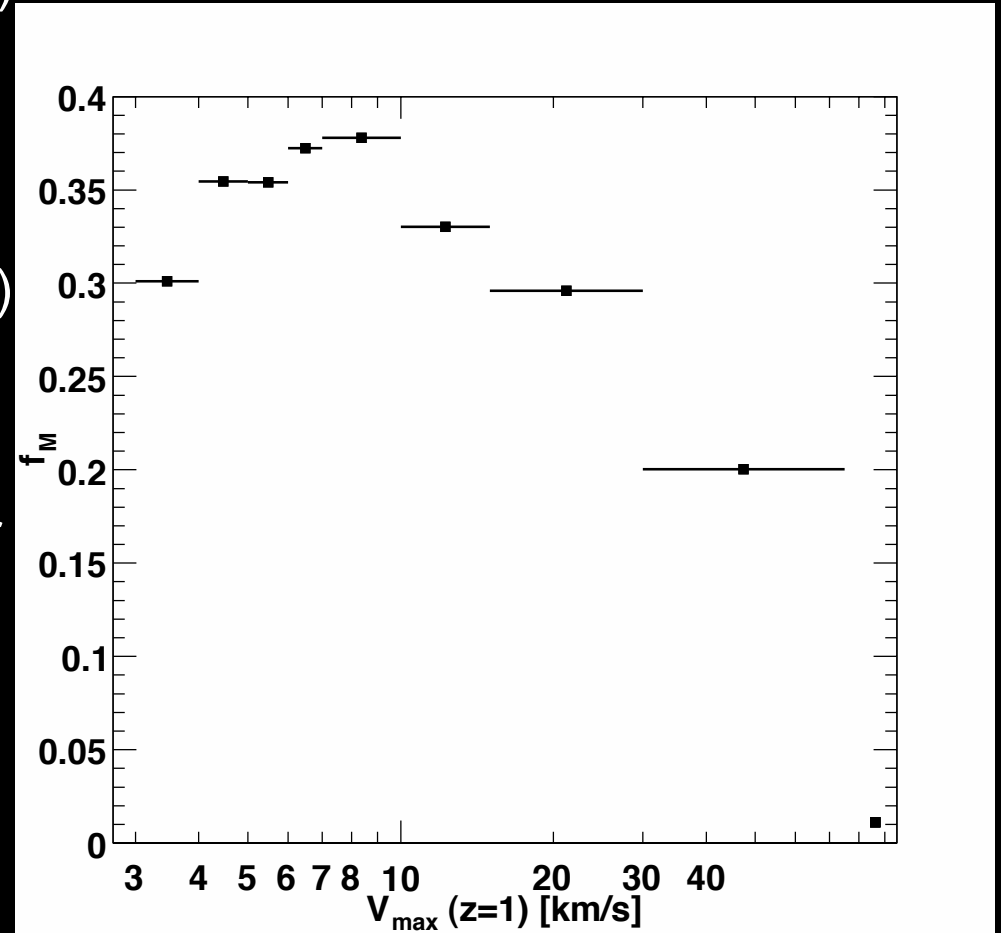
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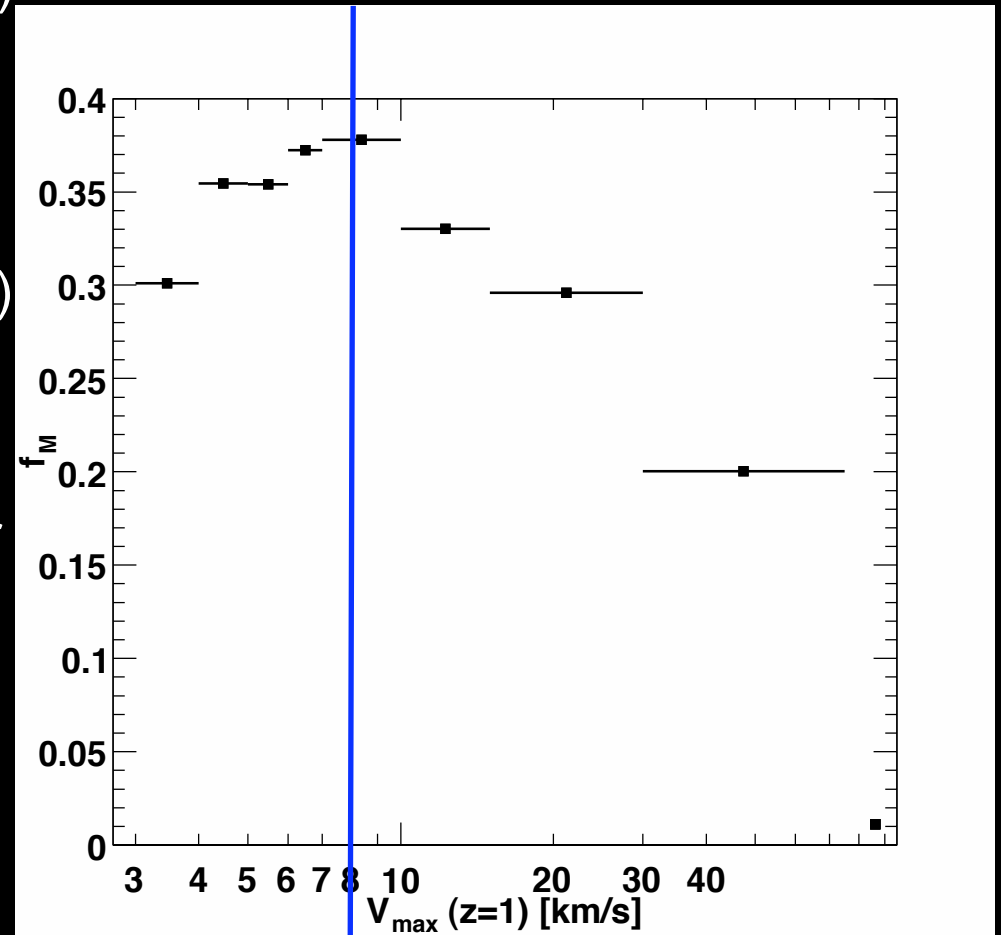
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affected by
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stronger dynamical
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EF and LBA have 6 common objects, out of 10

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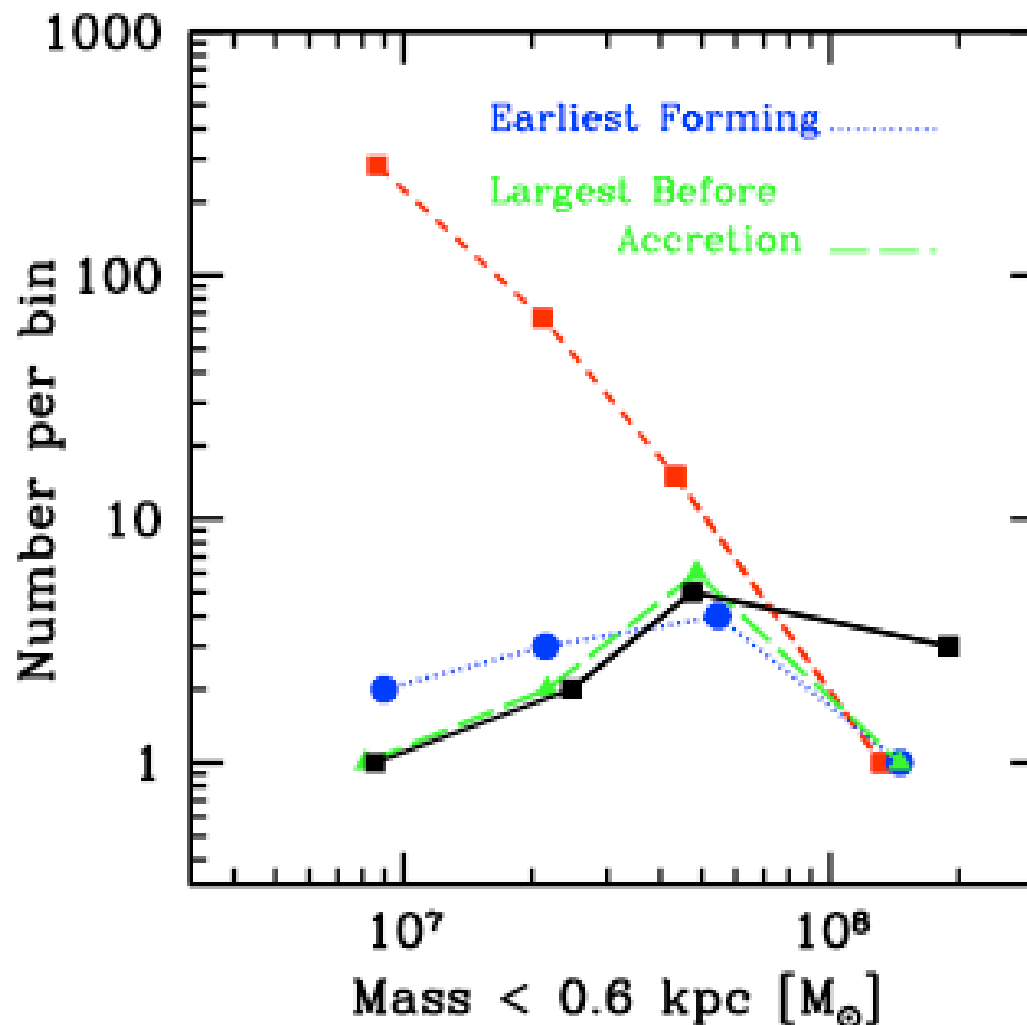
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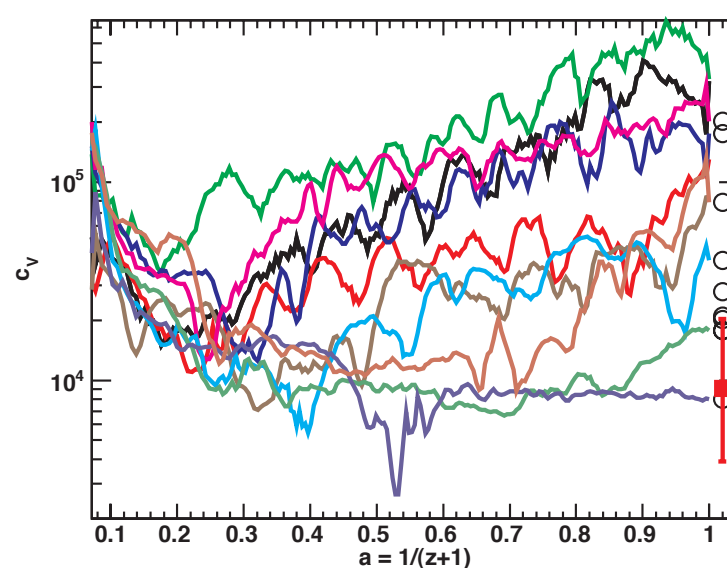
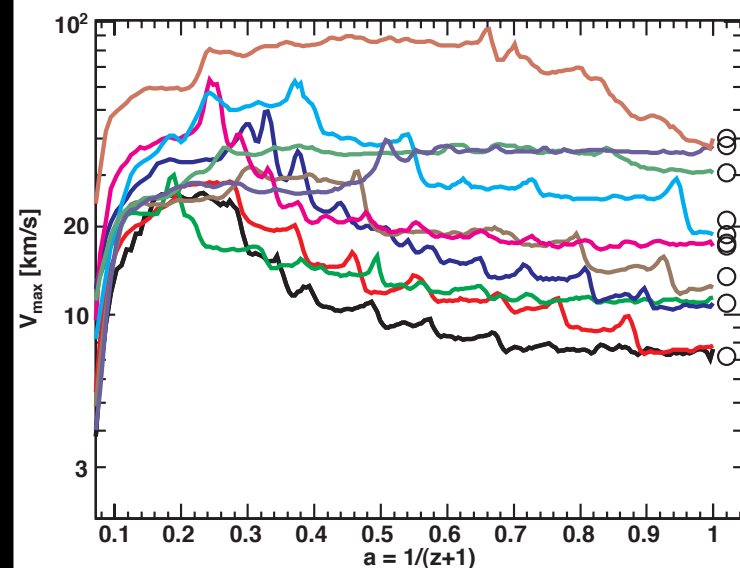
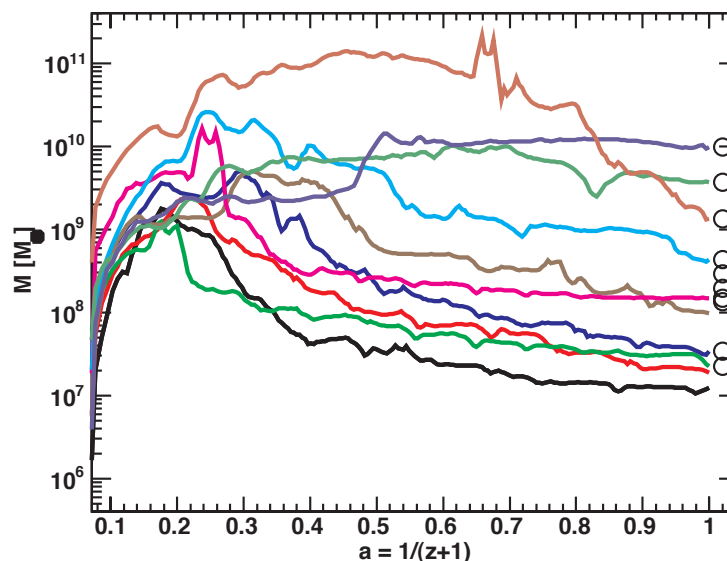
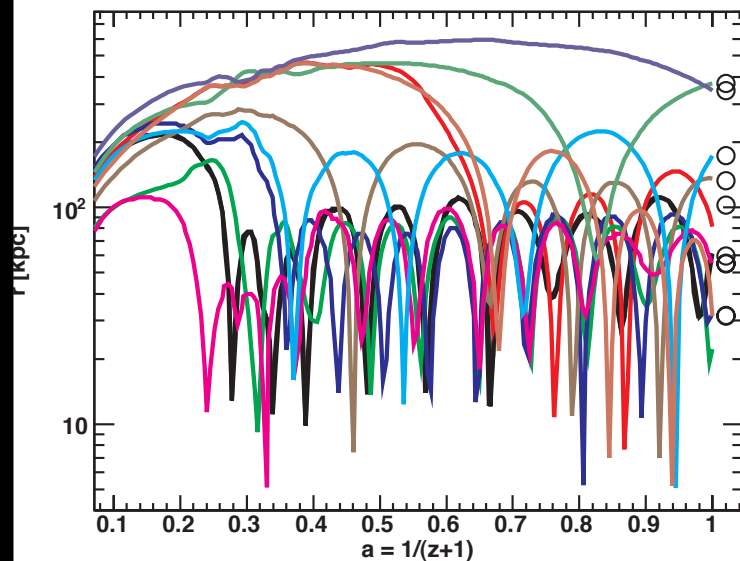


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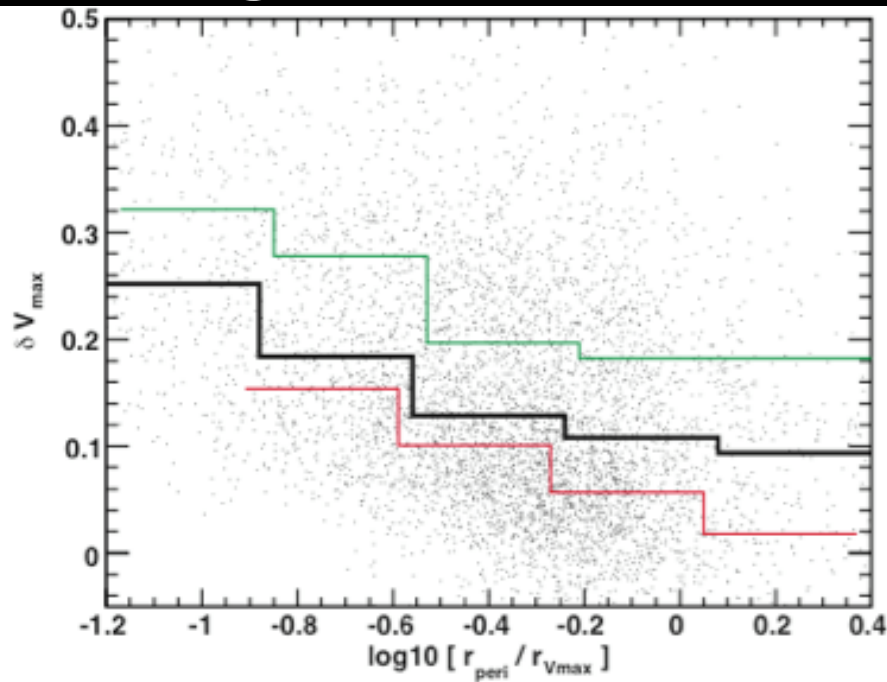
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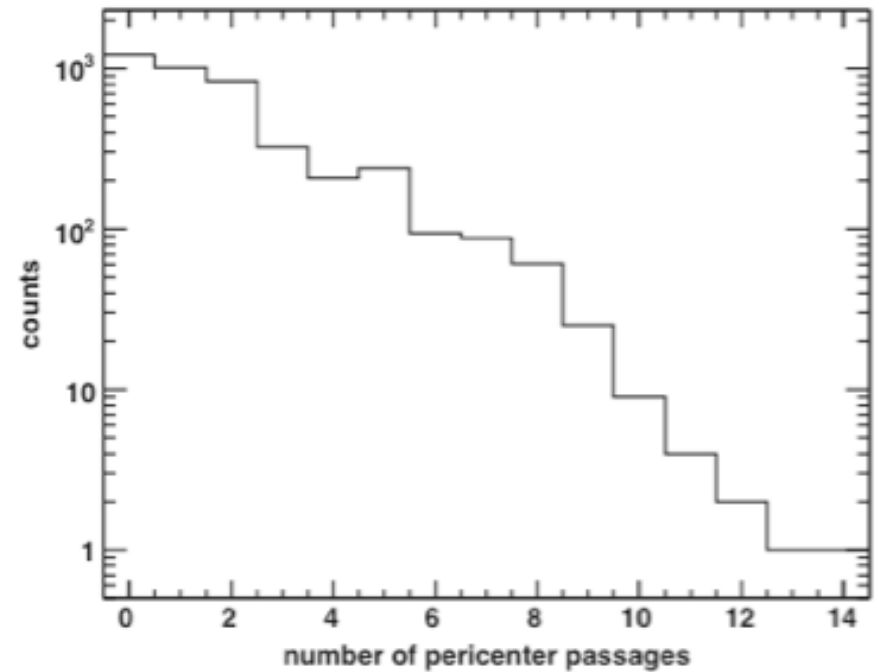
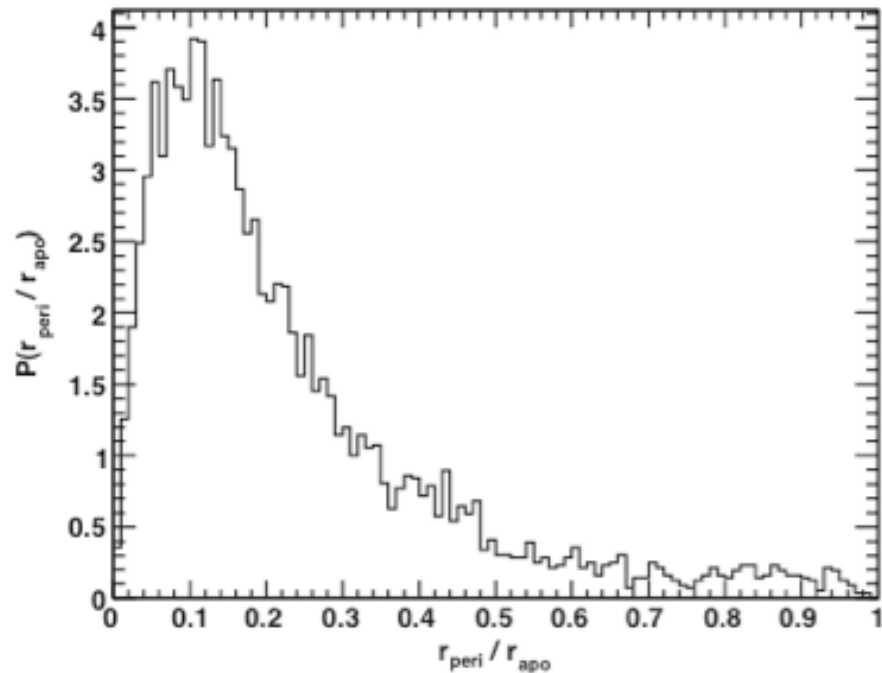
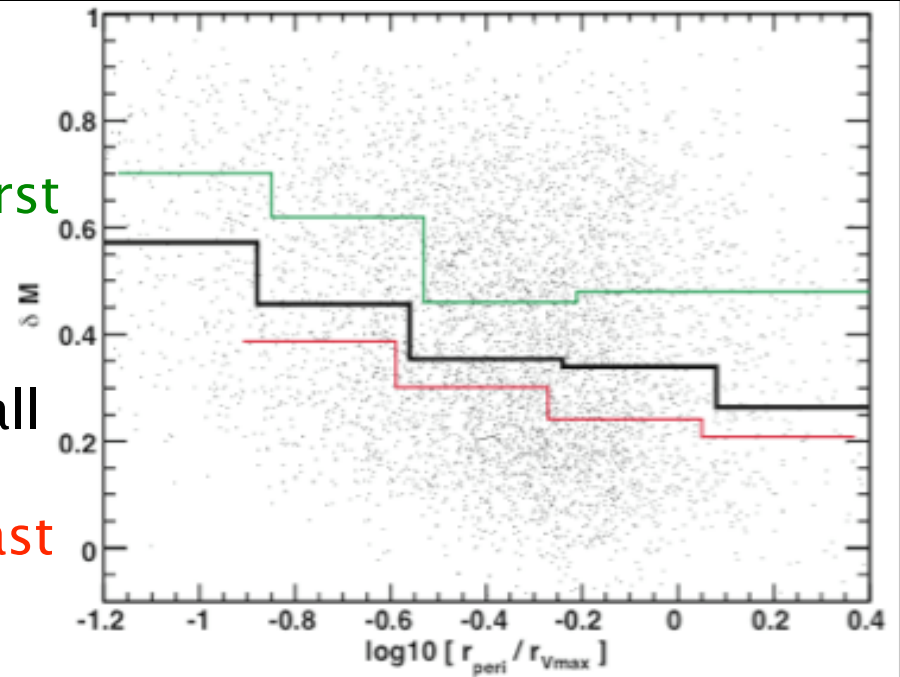
larger mass loss at first pericenter



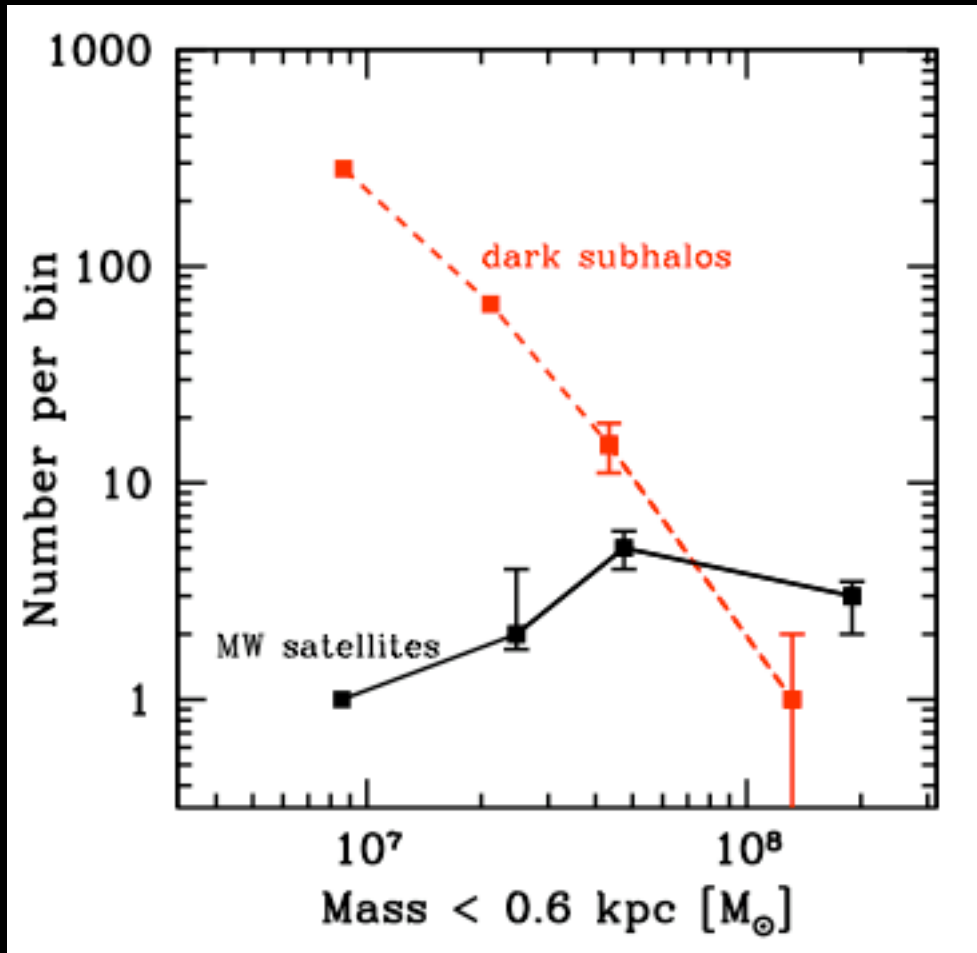
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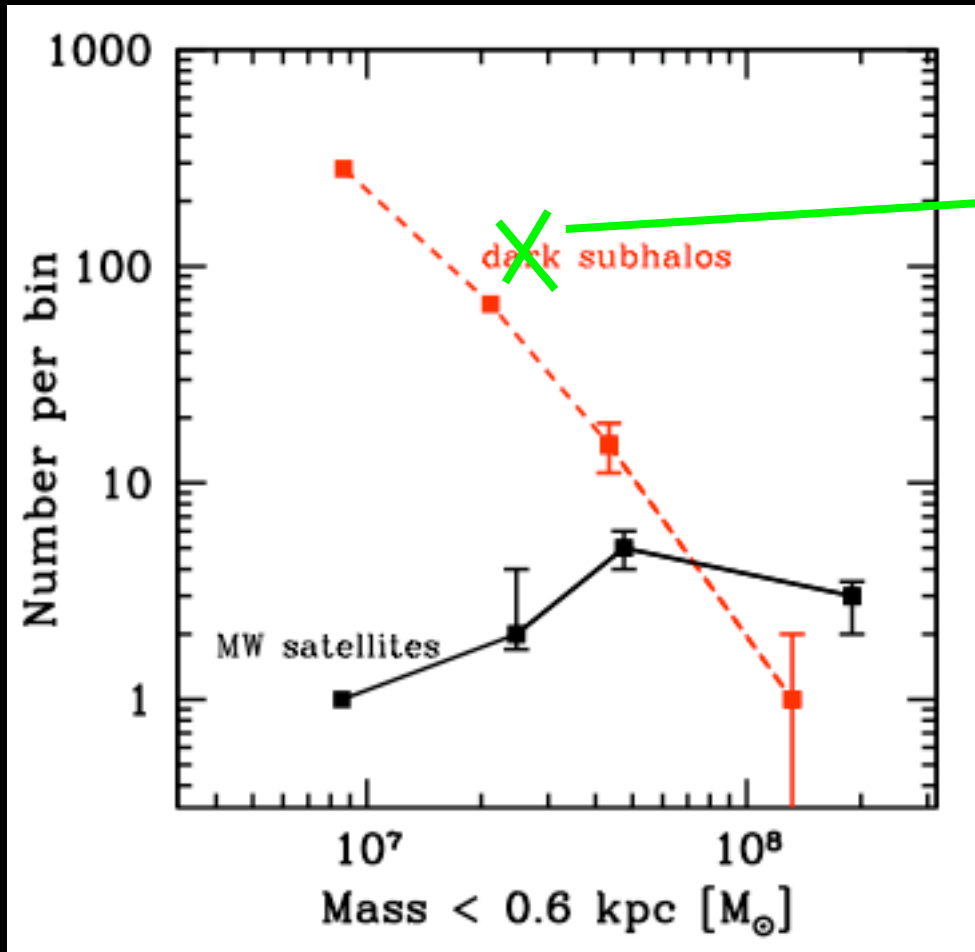
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maybe we just need a
different telescope???



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see Mike Kuhlen et al, 1st GLAST Symposium 2007, astro-ph/0704.0944

Q: Will GLAST detect γ -ray photons from dark matter annihilation?

(Bergström et al. 1999; Calcanéo-Roldán & Moore 2000; Stoehr et al. 2003; Taylor & Silk 2003; Tasitsiomi et al. 2004; Koushiappas et al. 2004; Baltz & Wai 2004; etc., etc.)

A: It depends. It depends on a lot of things:

- 1) DM particle properties: type, mass, cross section of particle
- 2) Backgrounds: extra-galactic and Galactic; how well can we subtract them?
- 3) DM distribution: how clumpy? subhalo spatial distribution? mass function?
Internal density profile?

Numerical simulations of DM structure can help address 3).

- Run very high resolution simulation of a Milky Way scale DM halo.
- Run subhalo finder and determine subhalo abundance, distribution, and internal properties.
- Calculate annihilation fluxes and angular sizes, estimate boost factors.
- Pick a particular particle physics model, and create simulated GLAST allsky maps.

[Colafrancesco 2006 (astro-ph/0610521)]

The diagram illustrates the following processes and observations:

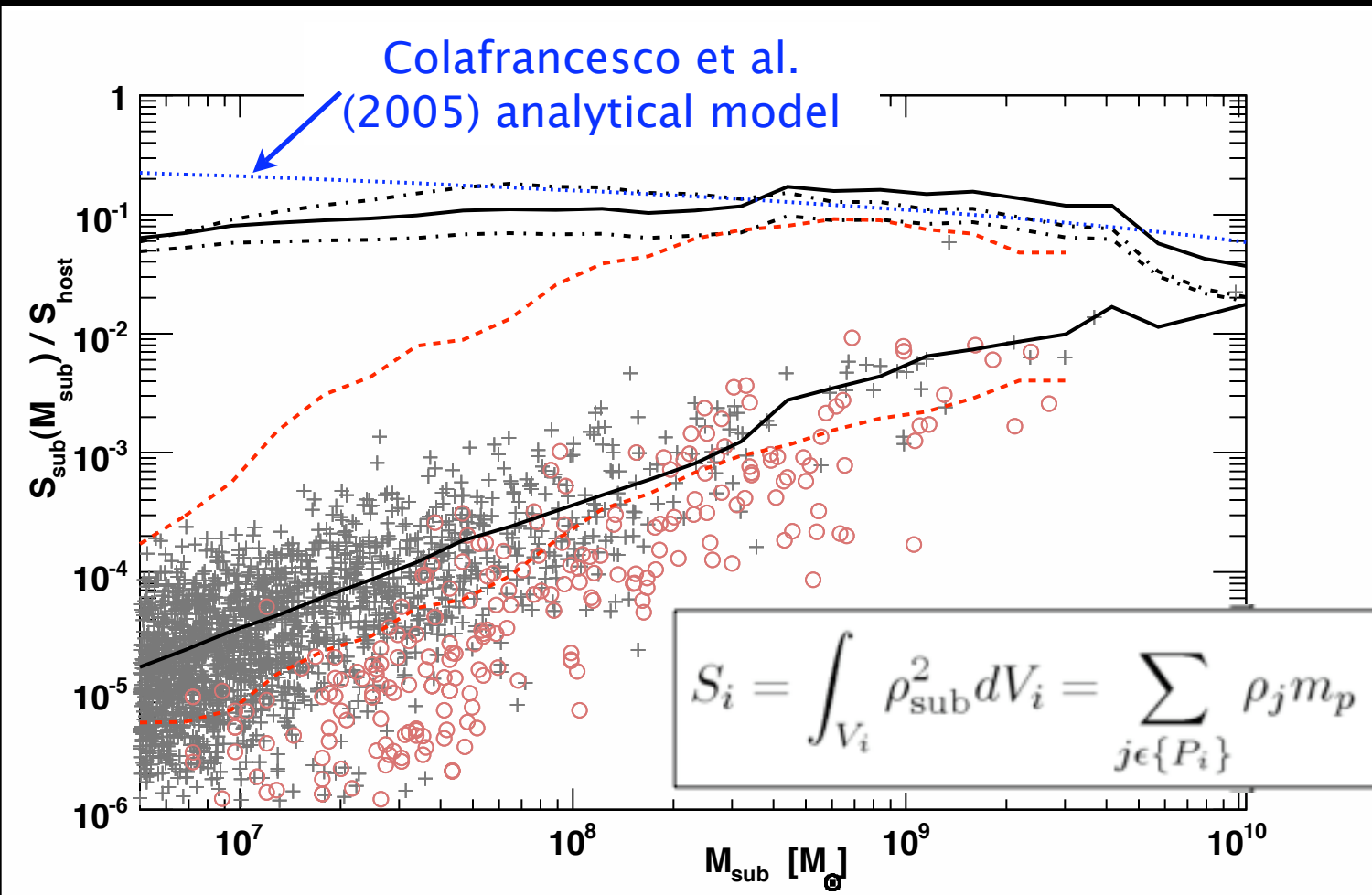
- Central Interaction:** A proton (p) and an electron/positron ($e^\pm$) interact to produce pions ($\pi^\pm$) and a photon (γ).
- Pion Decay:**
 - $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$ (producing gamma rays)
 - $\pi^\pm \rightarrow \gamma + e^\pm + \nu$ (producing gamma rays, electrons/positrons, and neutrinos)
- Other Processes:**
 - $\chi + \chi \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$ (photon-photon annihilation)
 - $\chi + e^\pm \rightarrow \chi + e^\pm + \gamma$ (Compton scattering)
 - $\gamma_{CMB} + e^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm + \gamma$ (inverse Compton scattering)
- Observational Signatures:**
 - X-rays (bremsstrahlung/CS):** Produced by electrons/positrons interacting with protons.
 - Gamma rays (bremsstrahlung/CS):** Produced by electrons/positrons interacting with protons.
 - Gamma rays (π^0 decay continuum and monochromatic lines):** Produced by the decay of neutral pions.
 - Radio emission (synchrotron):** Produced by electrons/positrons moving in a magnetic field (B).
 - SZ effect (CS):** Produced by Compton scattering of CMB photons by high-energy electrons/positrons.

In the following: DM = lightest SUSY particle (neutralino)

- a) $\chi\chi \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- b) $\chi\chi \rightarrow \gamma Z^0$
- c) $\chi\chi \rightarrow \{WW, Z^0 Z^0, b\bar{b}, t\bar{t}, u\bar{u}\}$

- a)+b) spectral line, lower $\langle\sigma v\rangle$
- c) photon continuum from π^0 decay, higher $\langle\sigma v\rangle$, more ambiguous signal

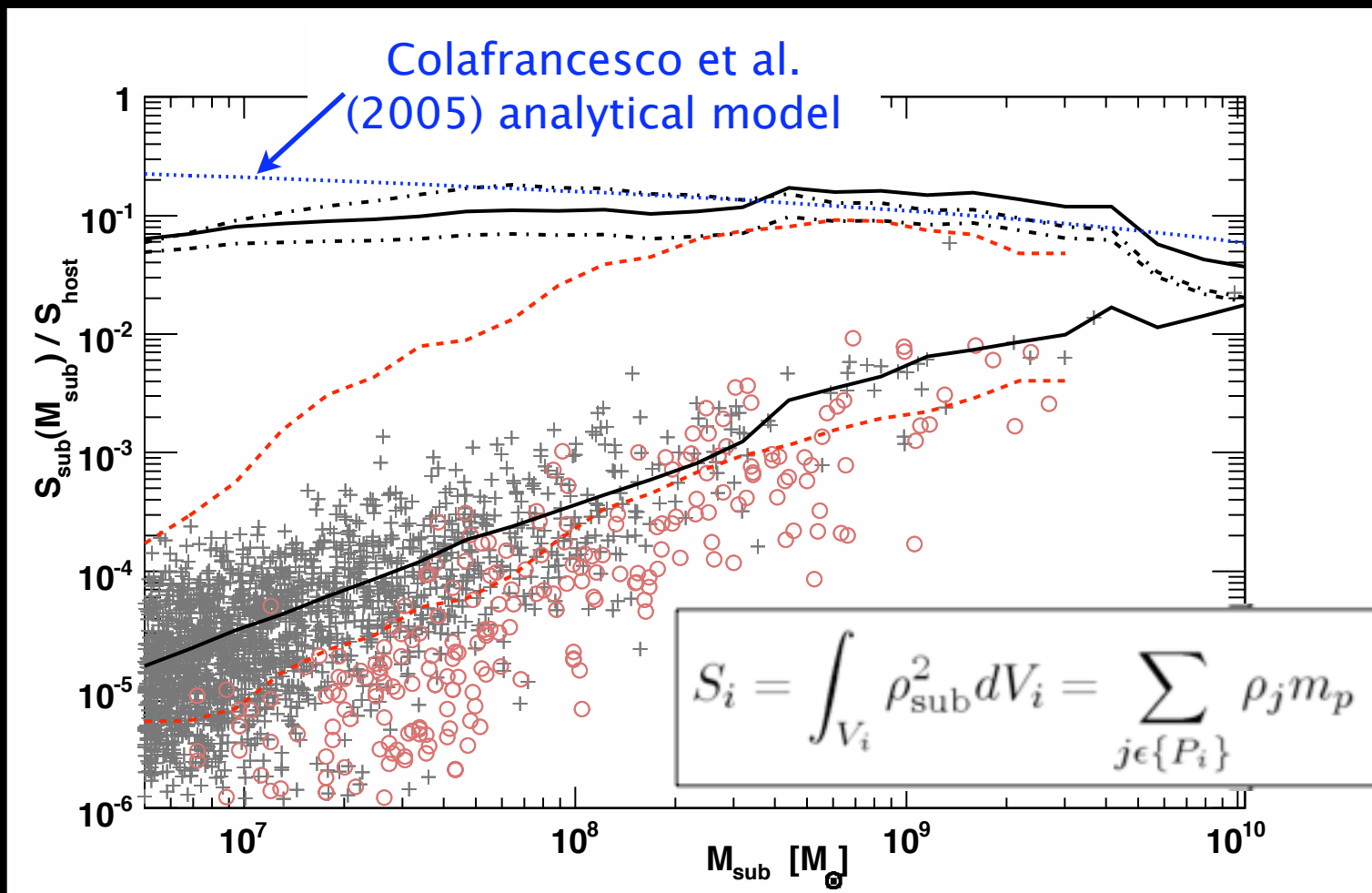
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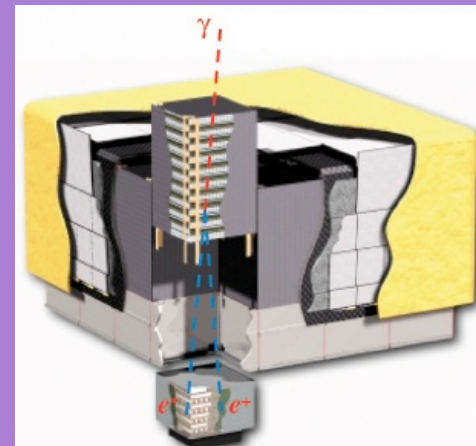
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total boost factor from subhalos: between 3 (constant) and 8 (more from small subs)

total boost factor including sub-sub-....-halos: between 13 (constant) and about 80

Detector properties



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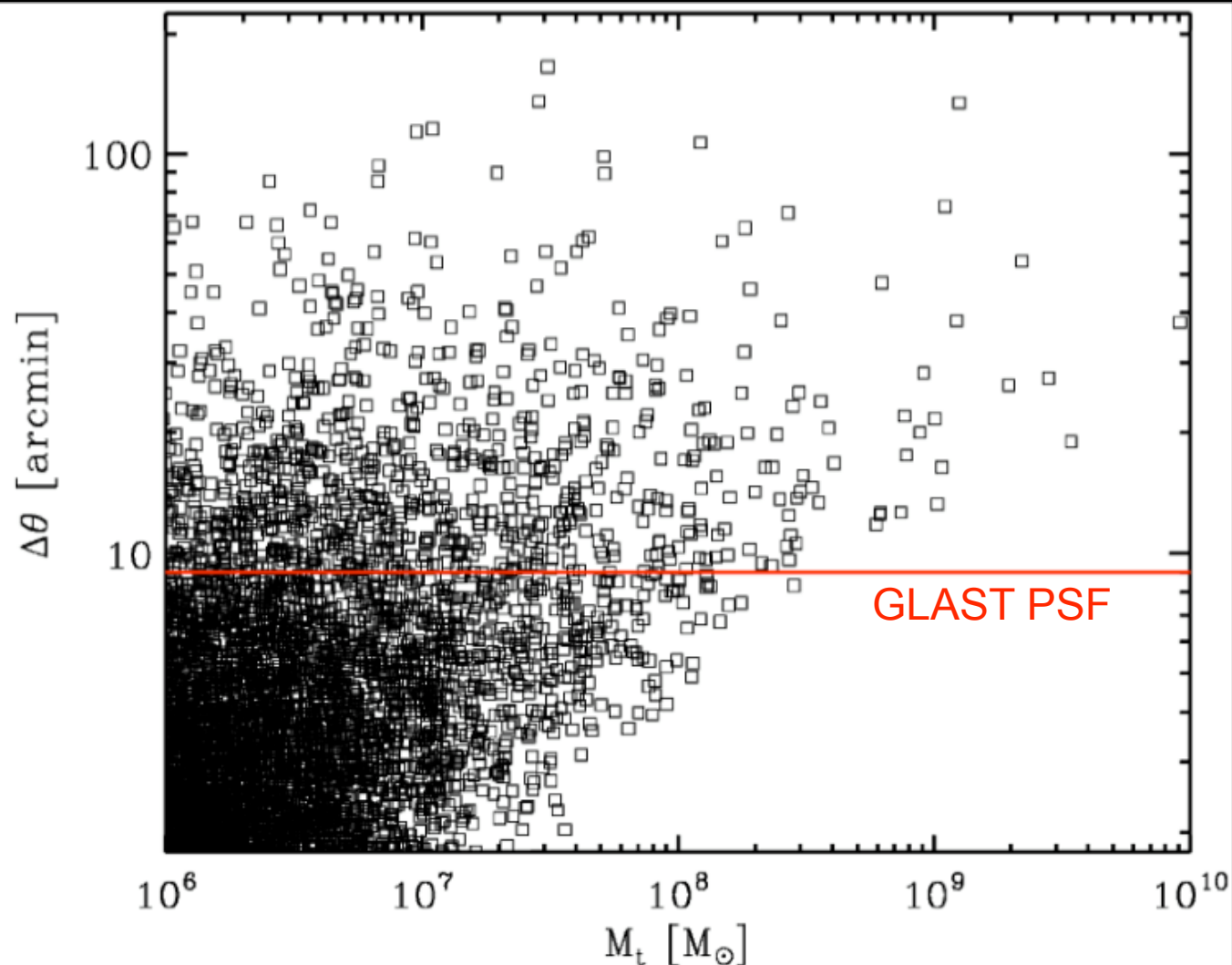
DOE/NASA Baseline-Preliminary Design Review, January 8, 2002

Science Performance Requirements Summary

From the SRD:

Parameter	SRD Value	Present Design Value
Peak Effective Area (in range 1-10 GeV)	>8000 cm ²	10,000 cm ² at 10 GeV
Energy Resolution 100 MeV on-axis	<10%	9%
Energy Resolution 10 GeV on-axis	<10%	8%
Energy Resolution 10-300 GeV on-axis	<20%	<15%
Energy Resolution 10-300 GeV off-axis (>60°)	<6%	<4.5%
PSF 68% 100 MeV on-axis	<3.5°	3.37° (front), 4.64° (total)
PSF 68% 10 GeV on-axis	<0.15°	0.086° (front), 0.115° (total)
PSF 95/68 ratio	<3	2.1 front, 2.6 back (100 MeV)
PSF 55°/normal ratio	<1.7	1.6
Field of View	>2sr	2.4 sr
Background rejection (E>100 MeV)	<10% diffuse	6% diffuse (adjustable)
Point Source Sensitivity(>100MeV)	<6x10 ⁻⁹ cm ⁻² s ⁻¹	3x10 ⁻⁹ cm ⁻² s ⁻¹
Source Location Determination	<0.5 arcmin	<0.4 arcmin (ignoring BACK info)
GRB localization	<10 arcmin	5 arcmin (ignoring BACK info)

angular size vs. mass



$\Delta\theta$ = angle subtended
by twice the subhalo's
scale radius r_s .

For an NFW profile 90%
of the flux originates
from within r_s .

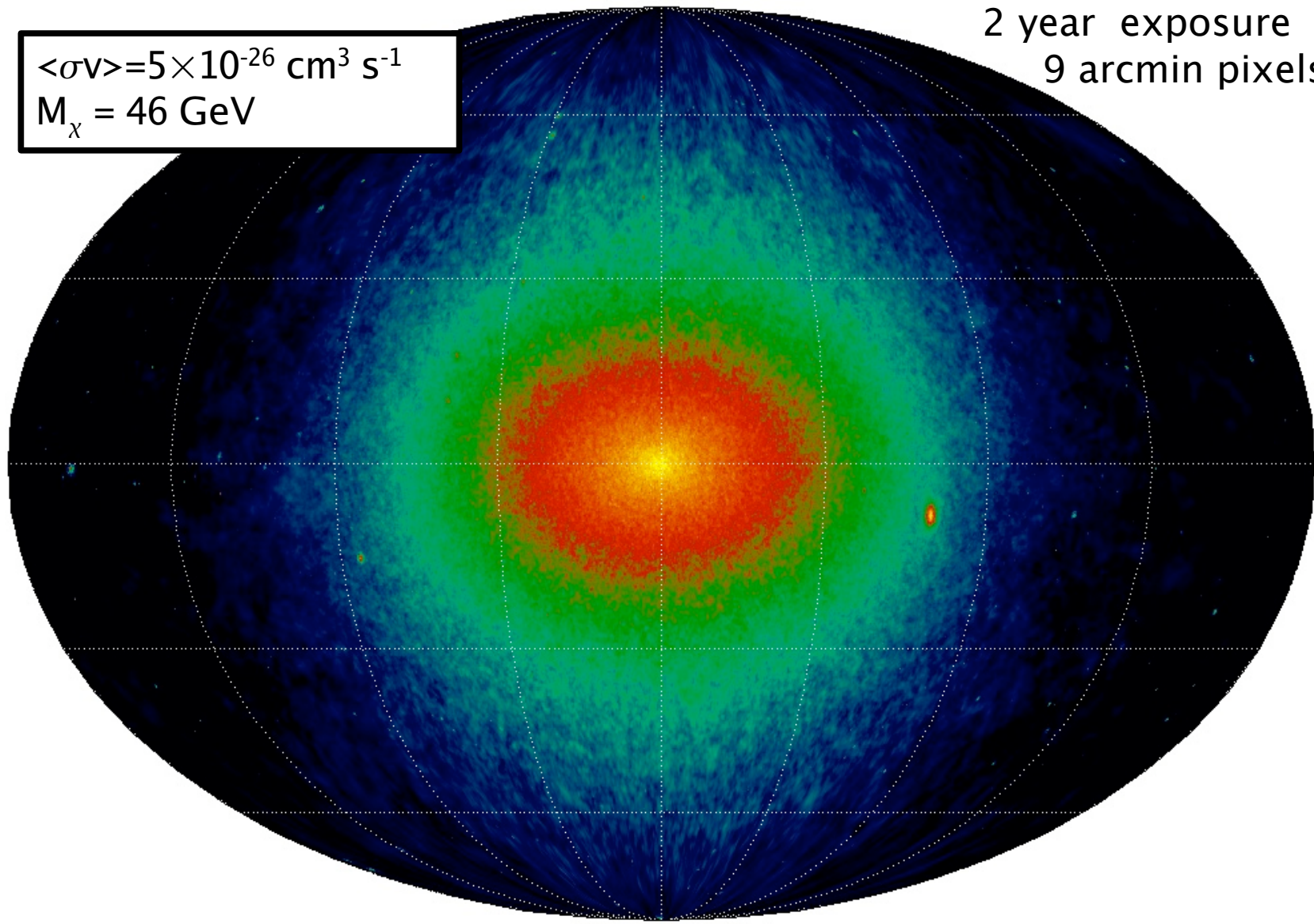
the brightest subhalos would be extended sources for GLAST
(PSF 9 arcmin at 10 GeV)

Simulated Maps

Observer along host halo's **intermediate** ellipsoidal axis

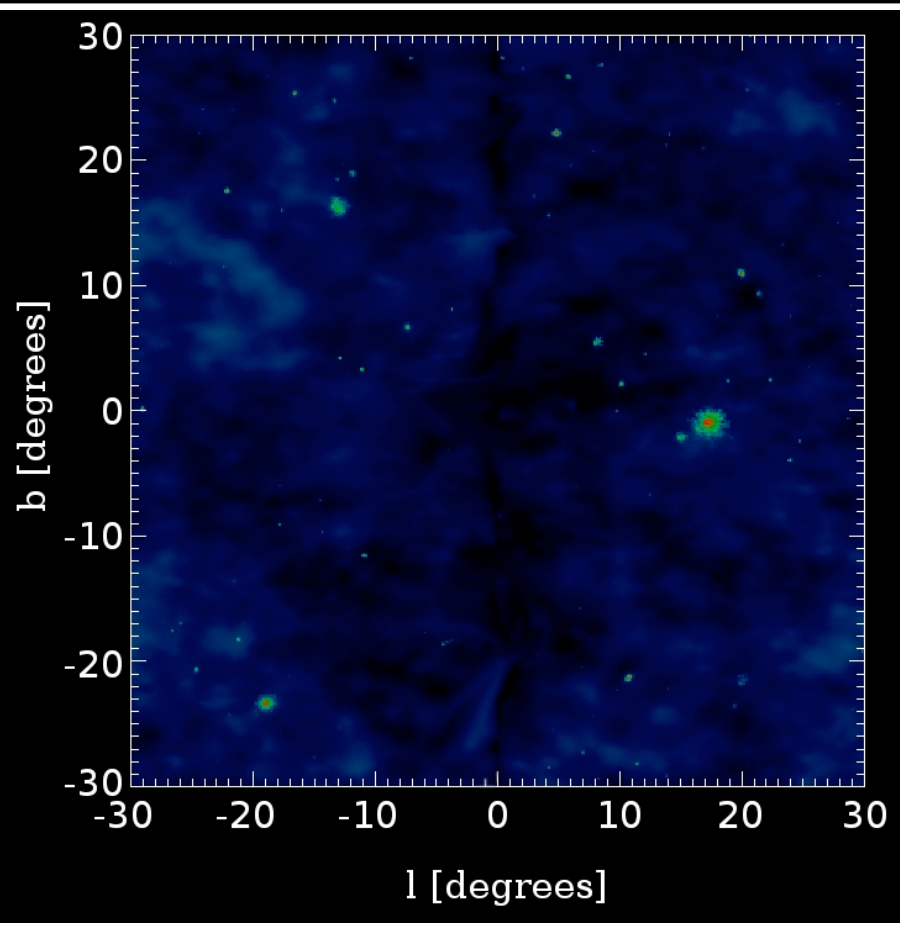
$$\langle\sigma v\rangle = 5 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$$
$$M_\chi = 46 \text{ GeV}$$

2 year exposure
9 arcmin pixels

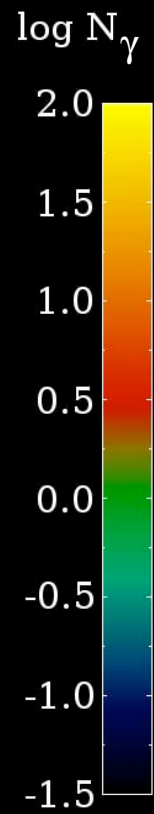
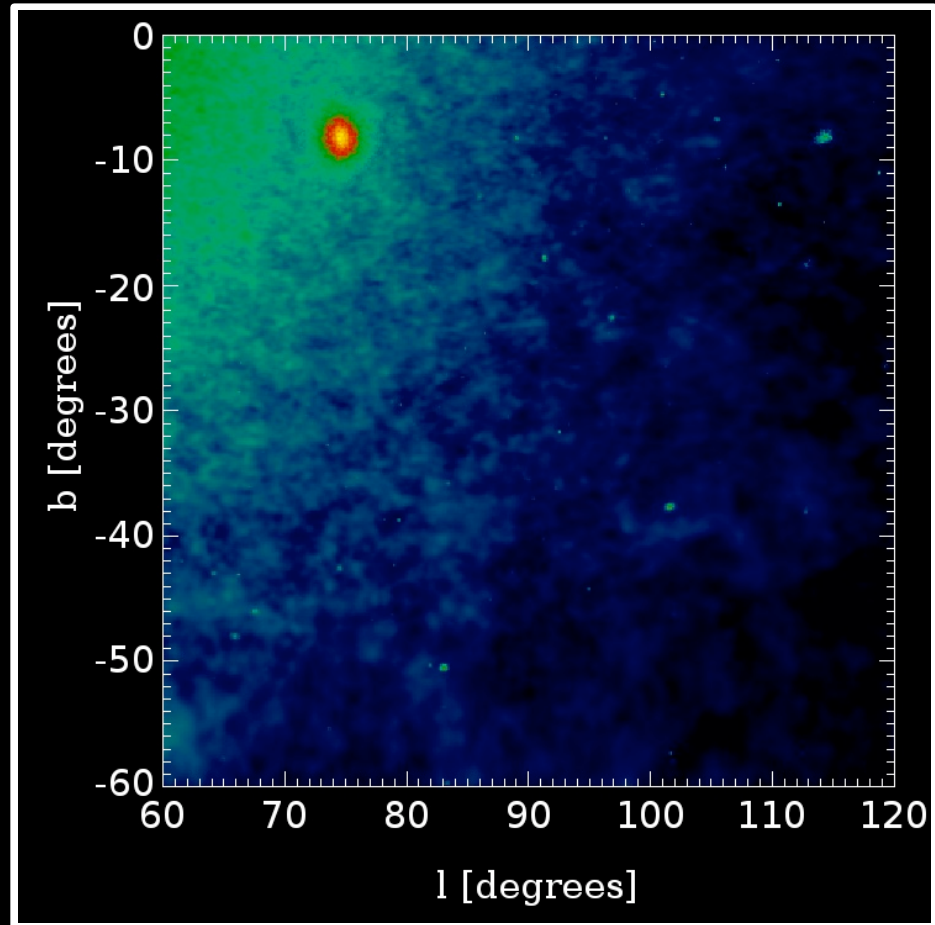


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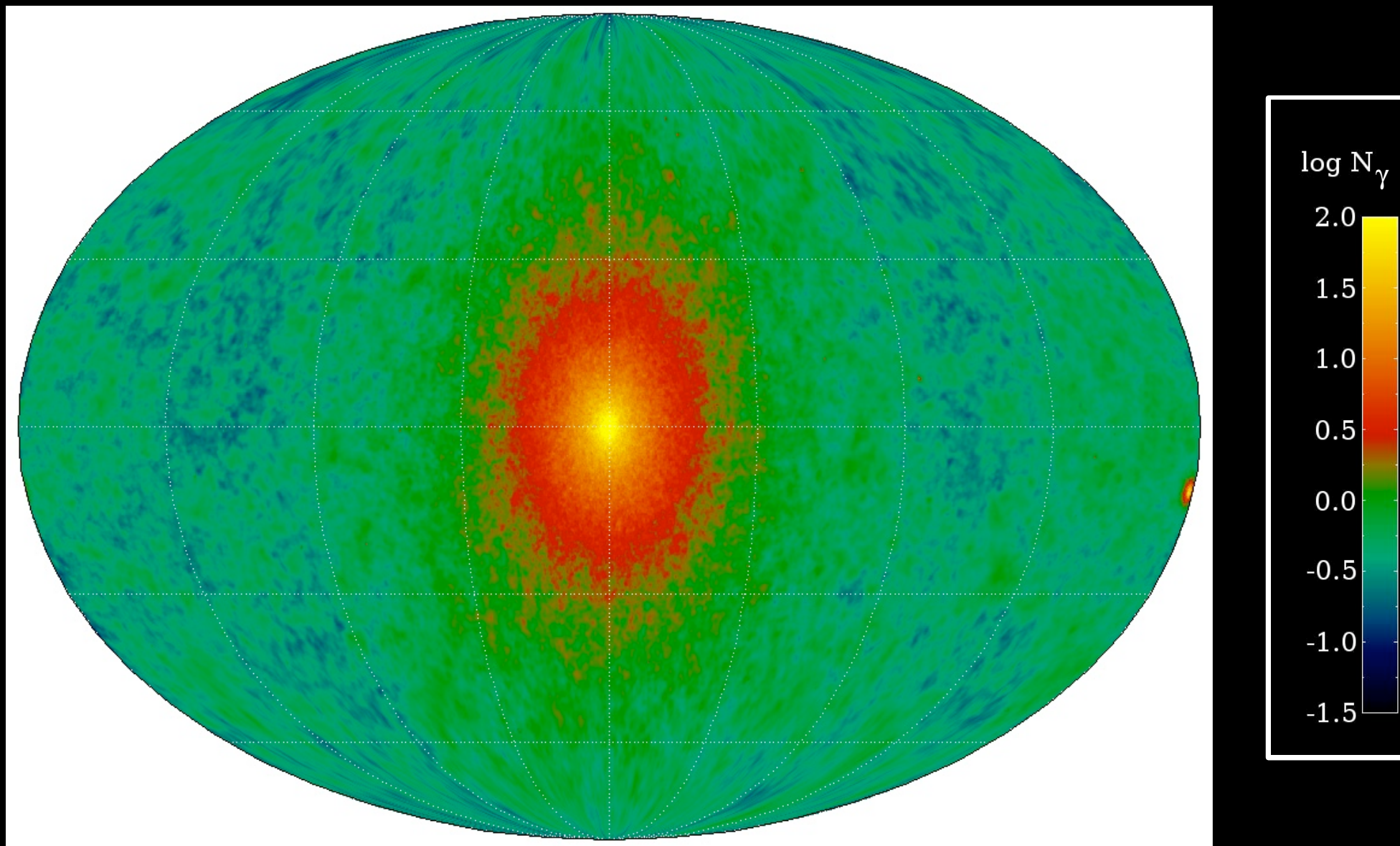


Most Massive Subhalo



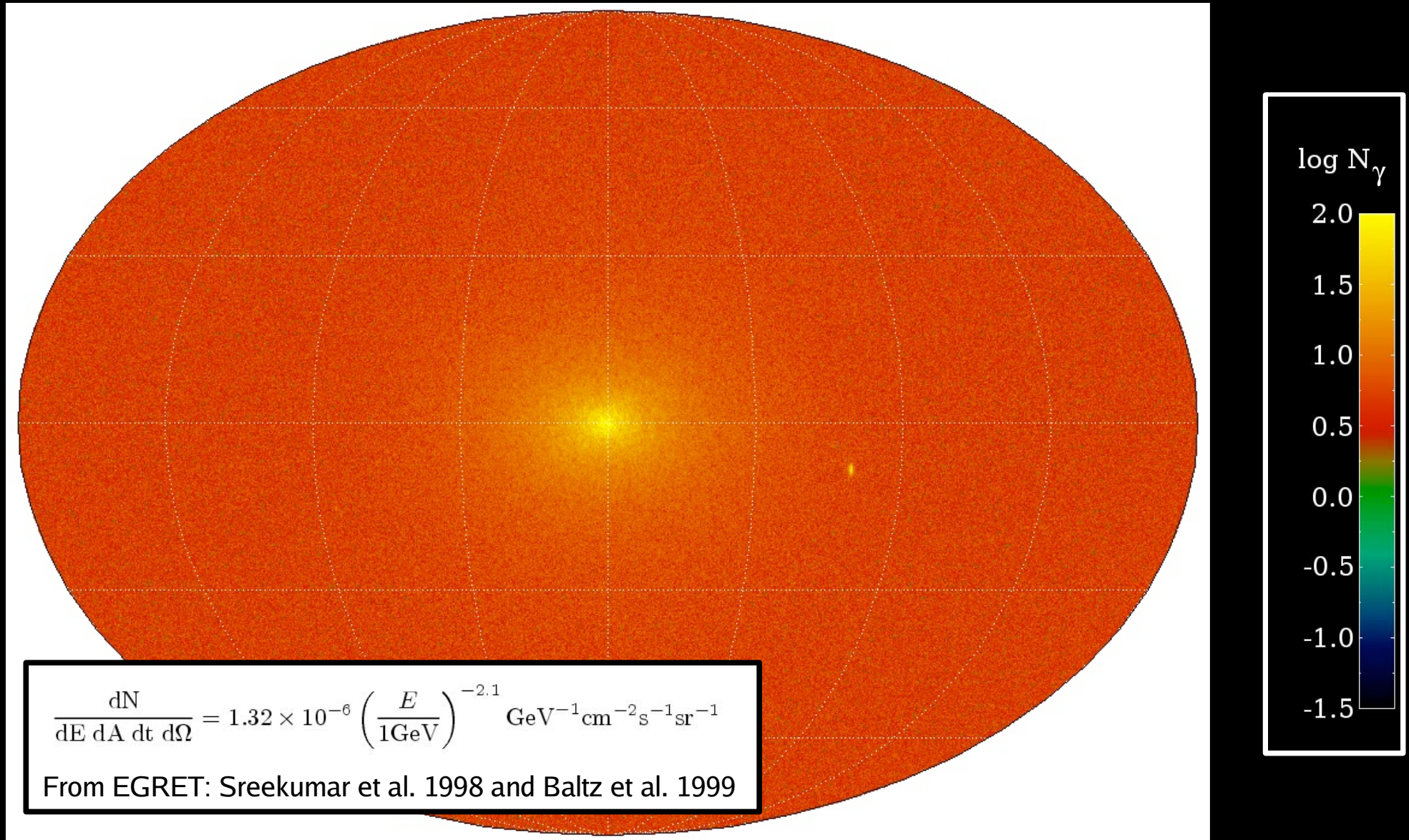
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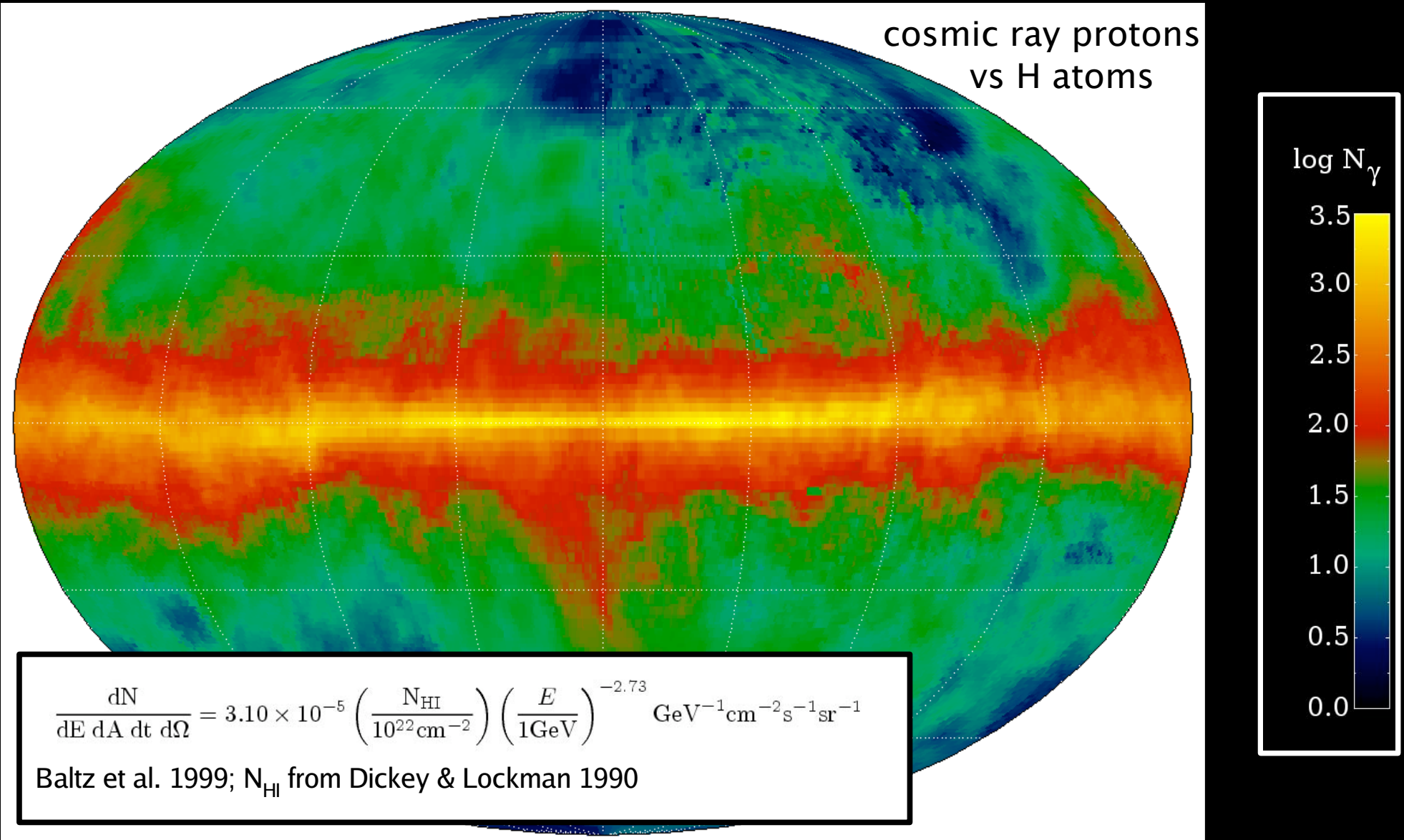
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Including a Poisson realization of the extra-galactic background.



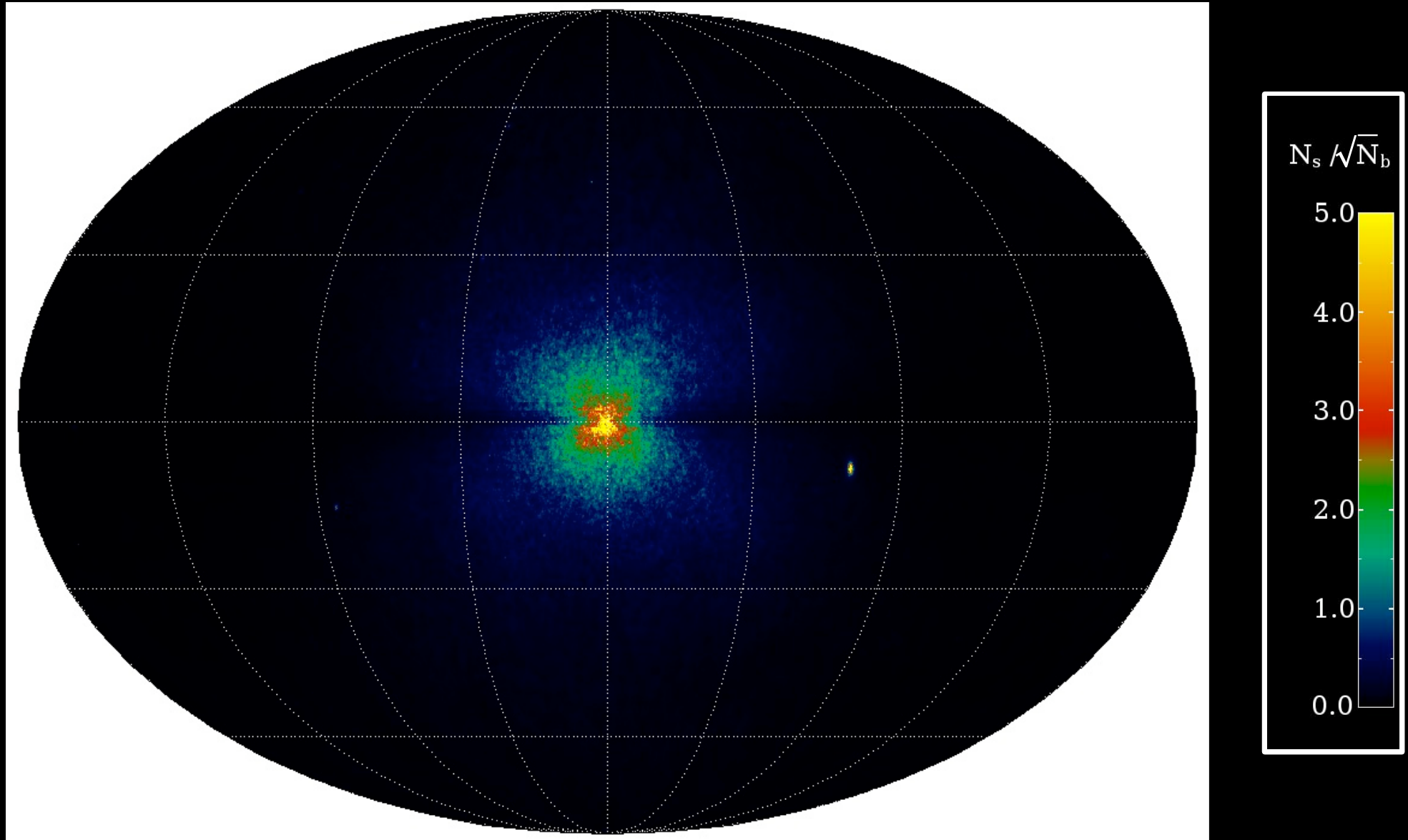
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The Galactic background ($\propto N_{\text{HI}}$) dominates the annihilation signal.



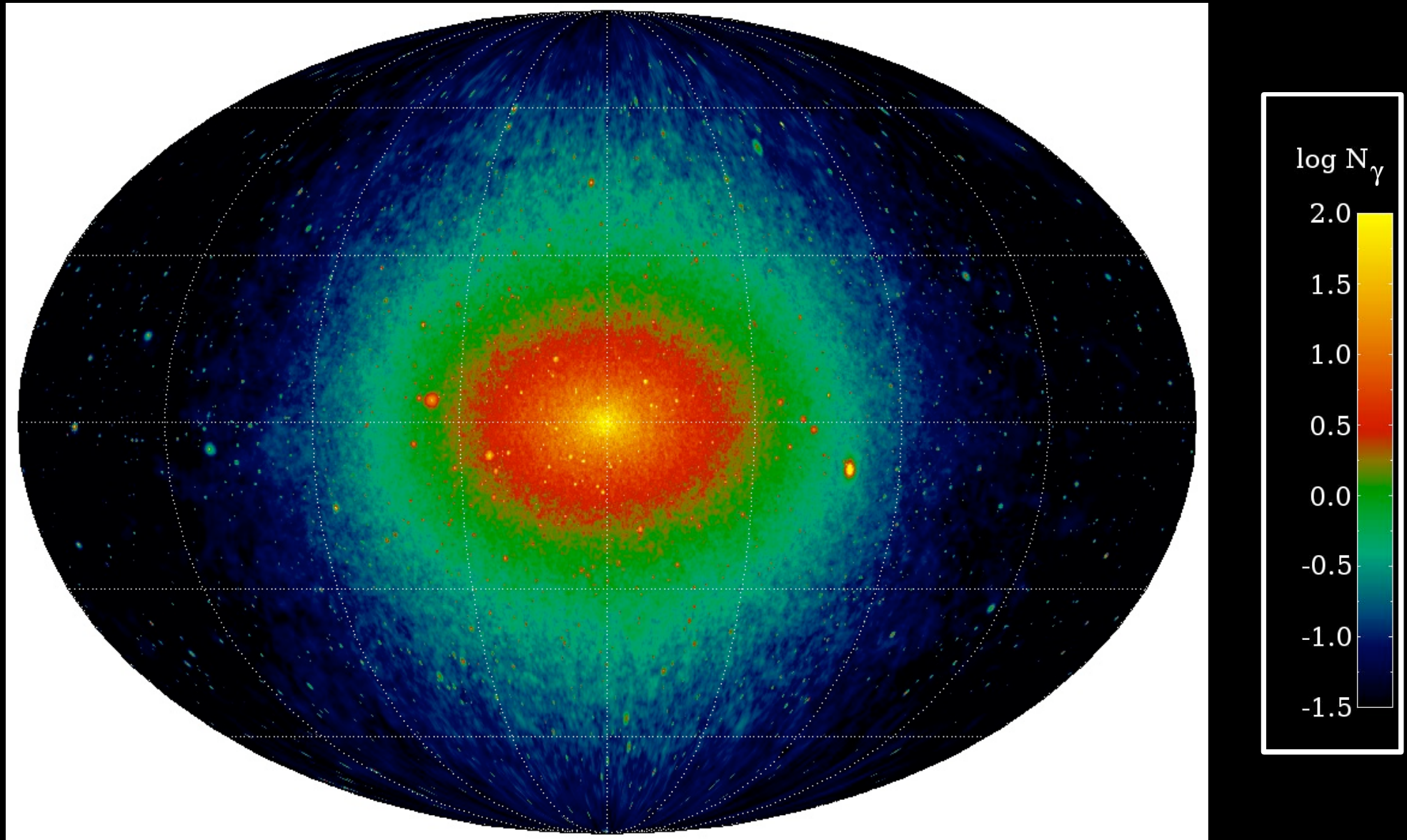
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The detection significance exceeds 5 in the Galactic center and in one subhalo.



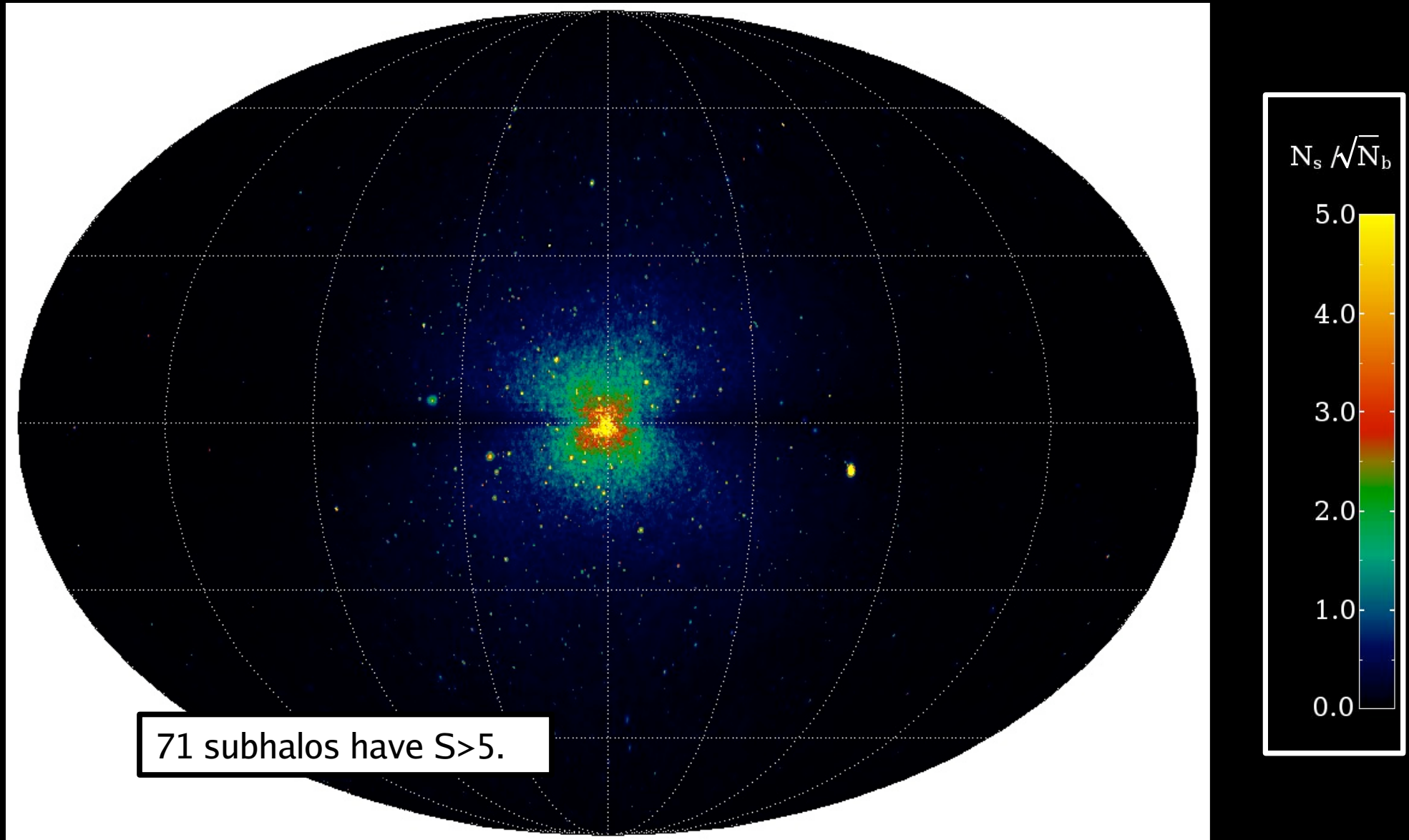
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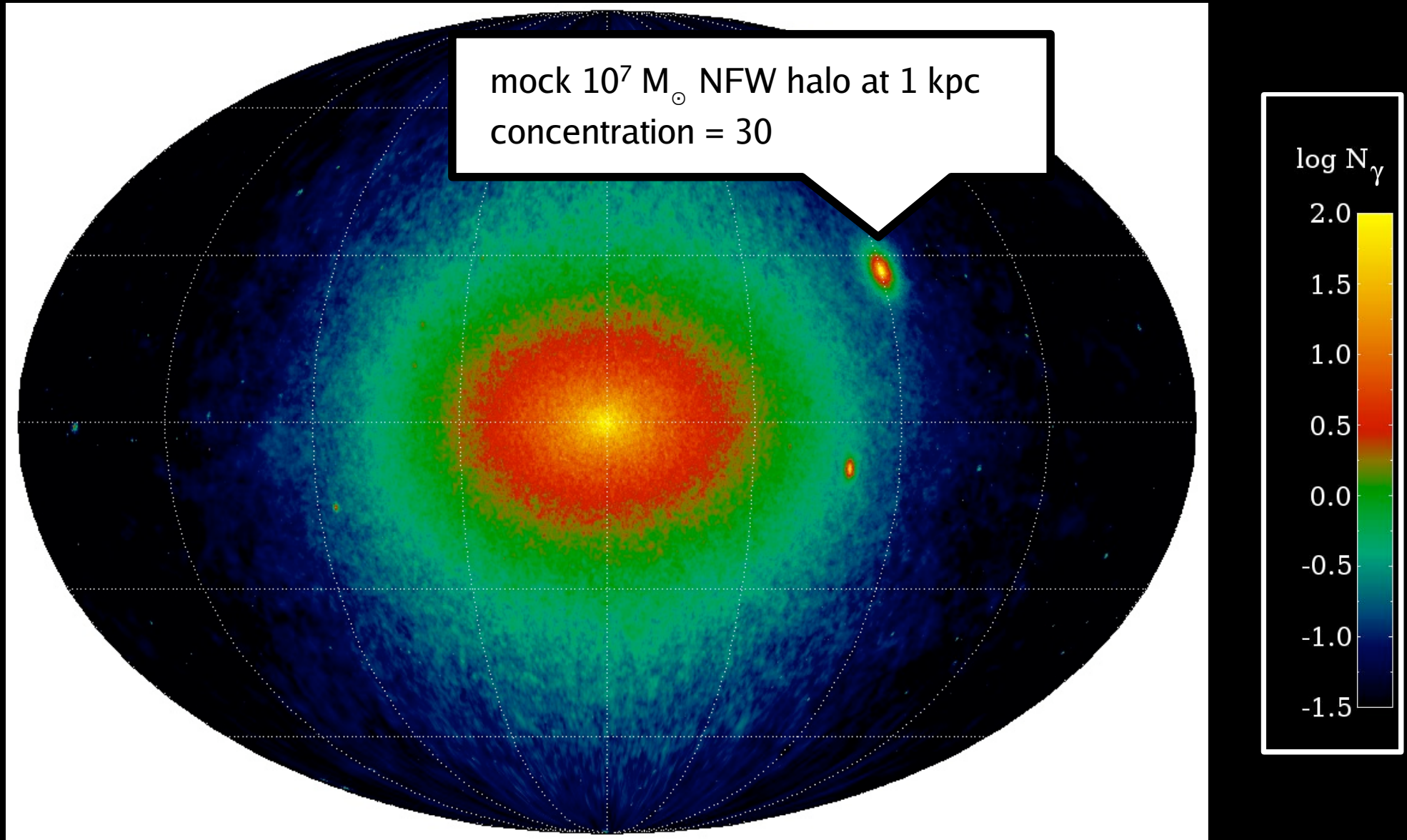
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What if we happen to be sitting close to a dark halo?



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future work

higher resolution runs on INCITE (DOE), NASA and local (Plejades) supercomputers using improved time steps based on dynamical times (Zemp etal2006)

cosmological gamma ray background from DM annihilation (+ absorption by the EBL)

phase space distribution of DM in the solar neighborhood