

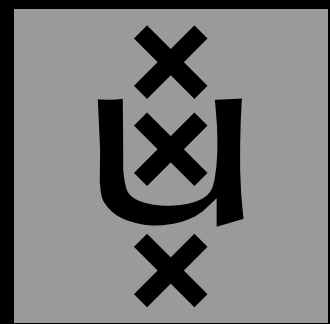
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# Warm dark matter searches from the Galactic halo

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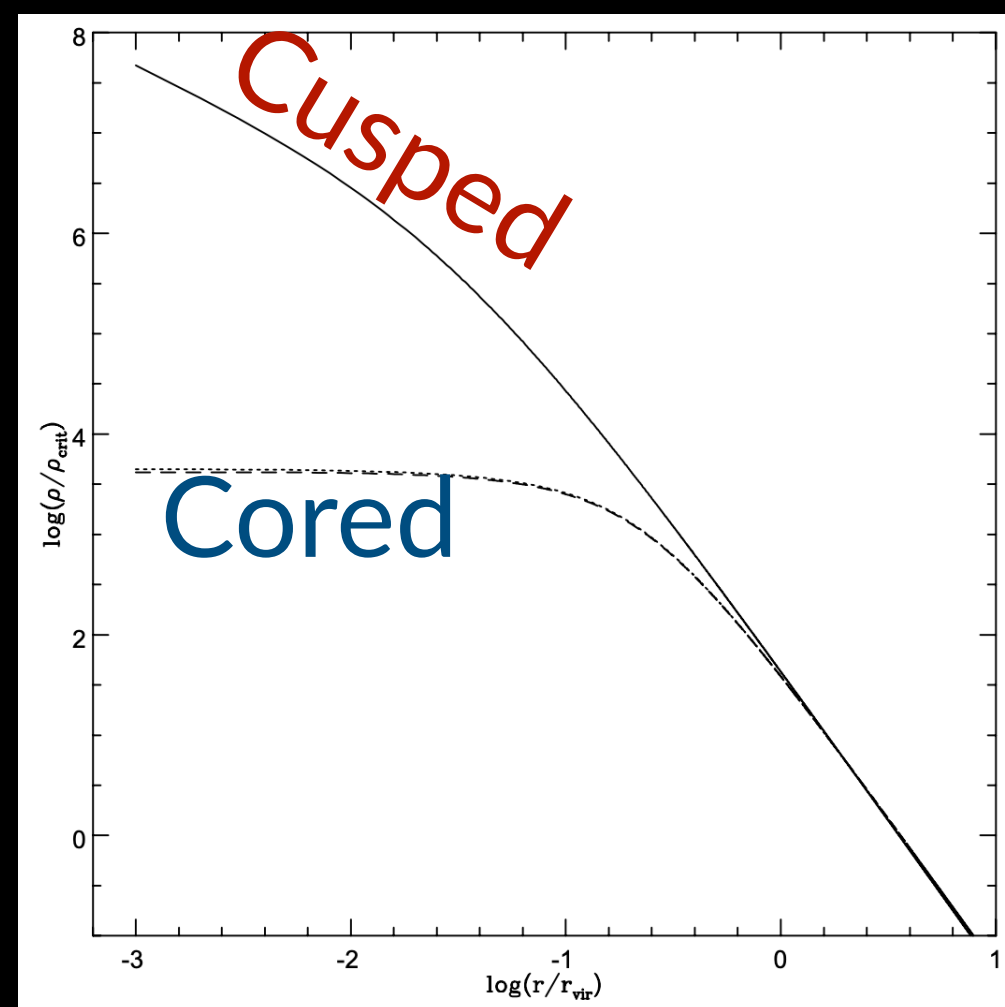


# Small scale observations

- ▶  $\Lambda$ CDM successful on reproducing the large scale structures in the Universe
- ▶ However, DM-only N-body simulations find discrepancies with observations at small scales (below  $\sim 1$  Mpc)

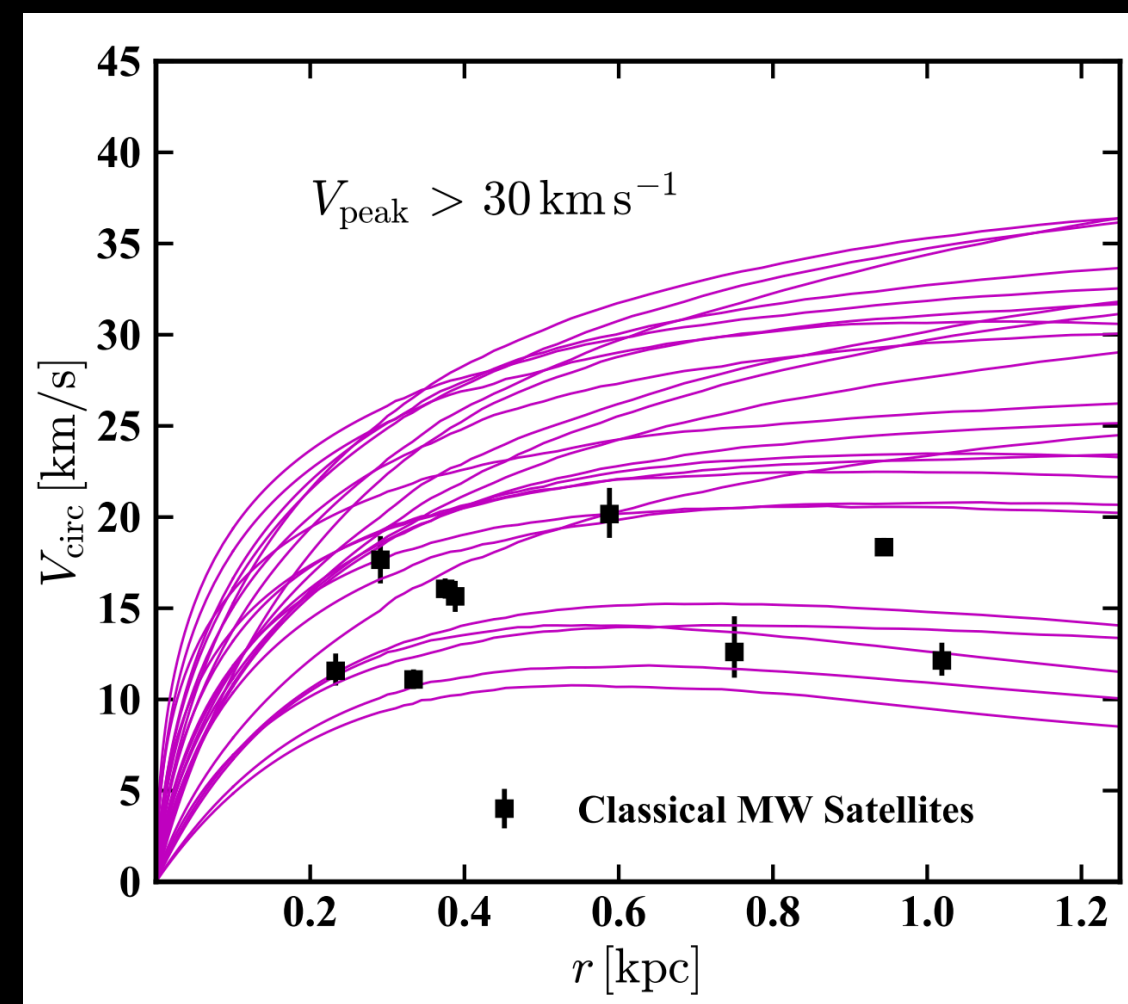
## Small scale discrepancies

### Cusp/core



Popolo et al. (2009)

### Too-big-to-fail



Bullock et al. (2017)

### Missing satellites



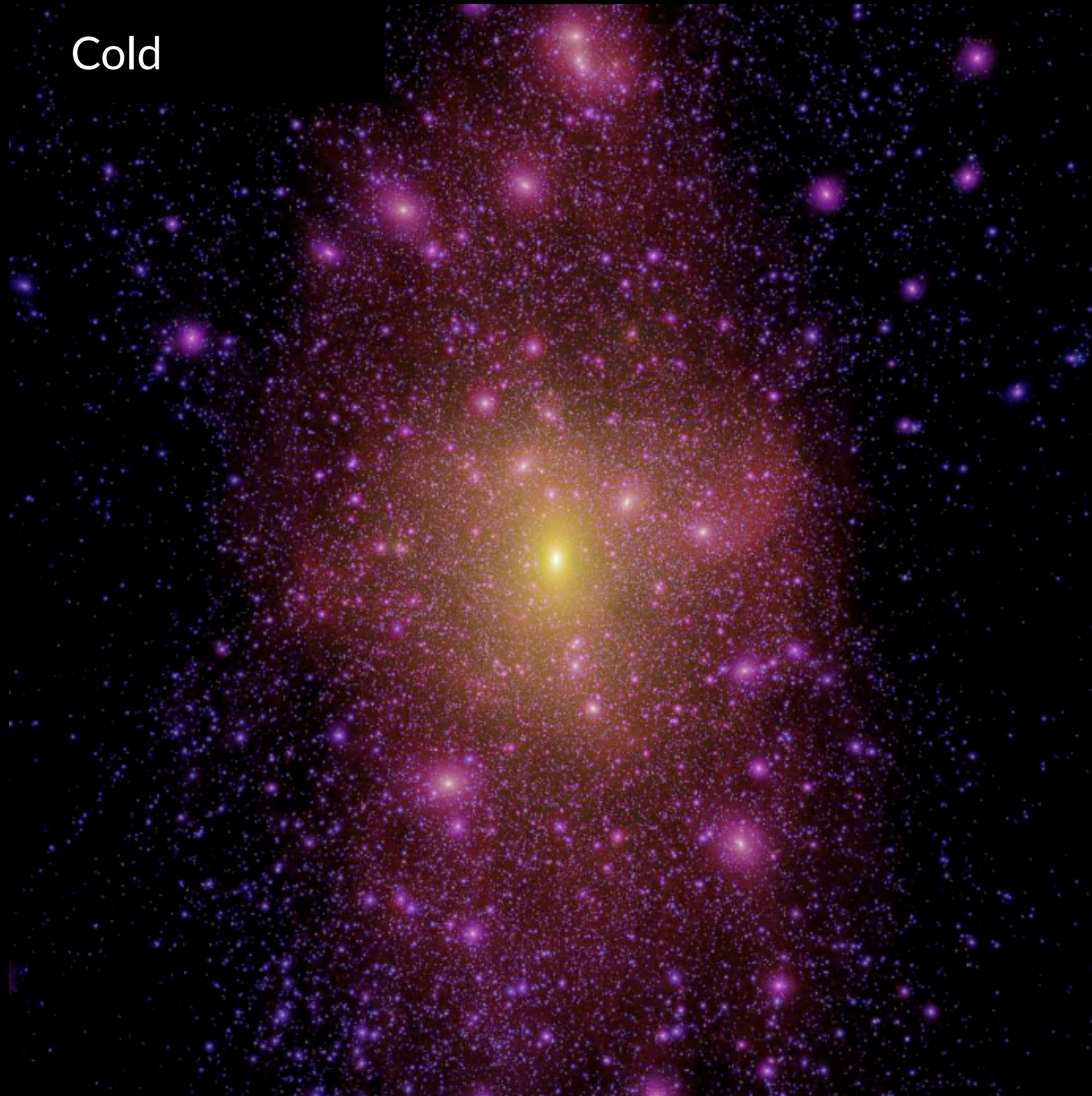
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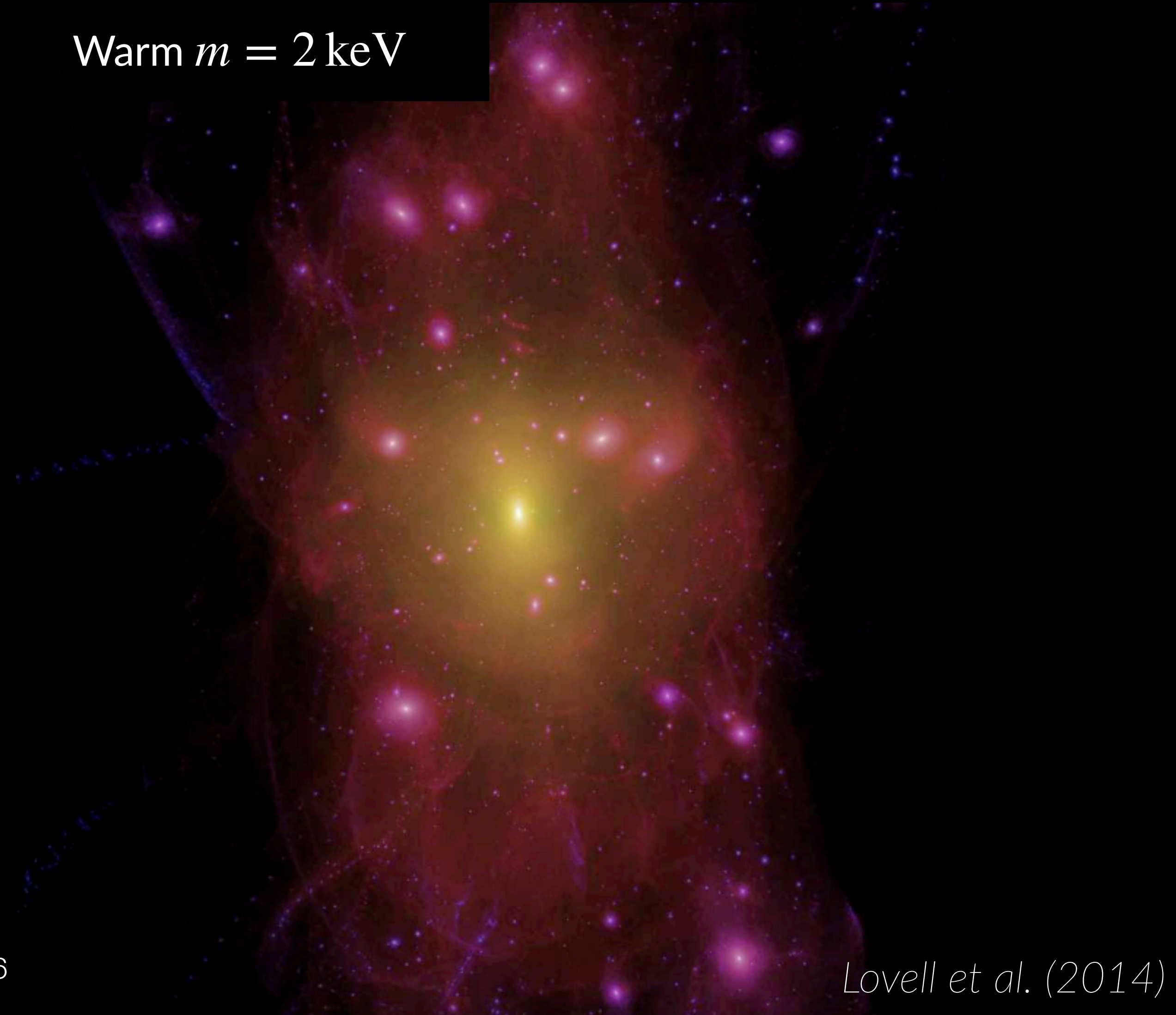
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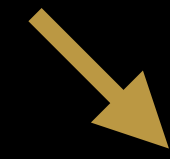
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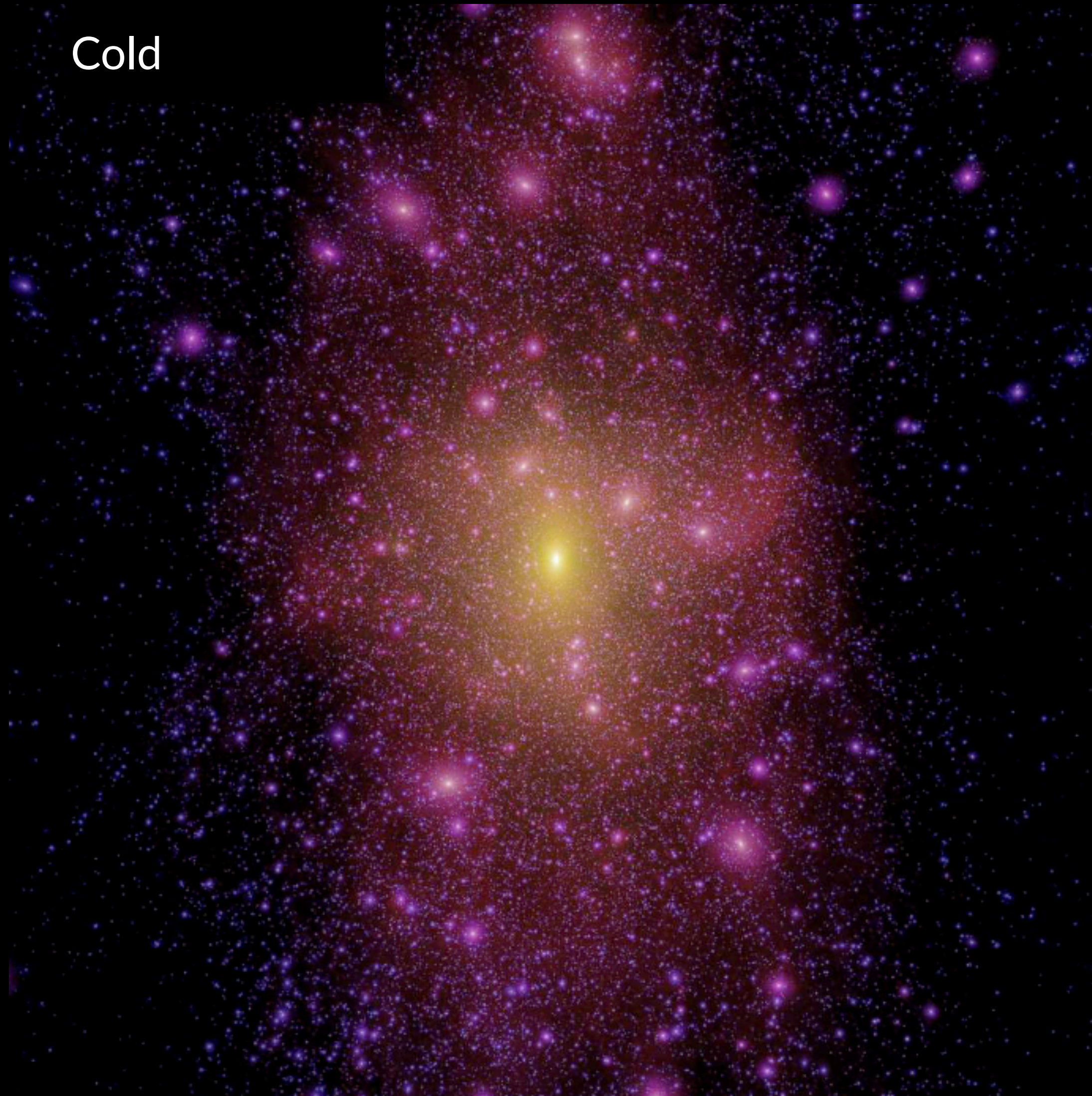
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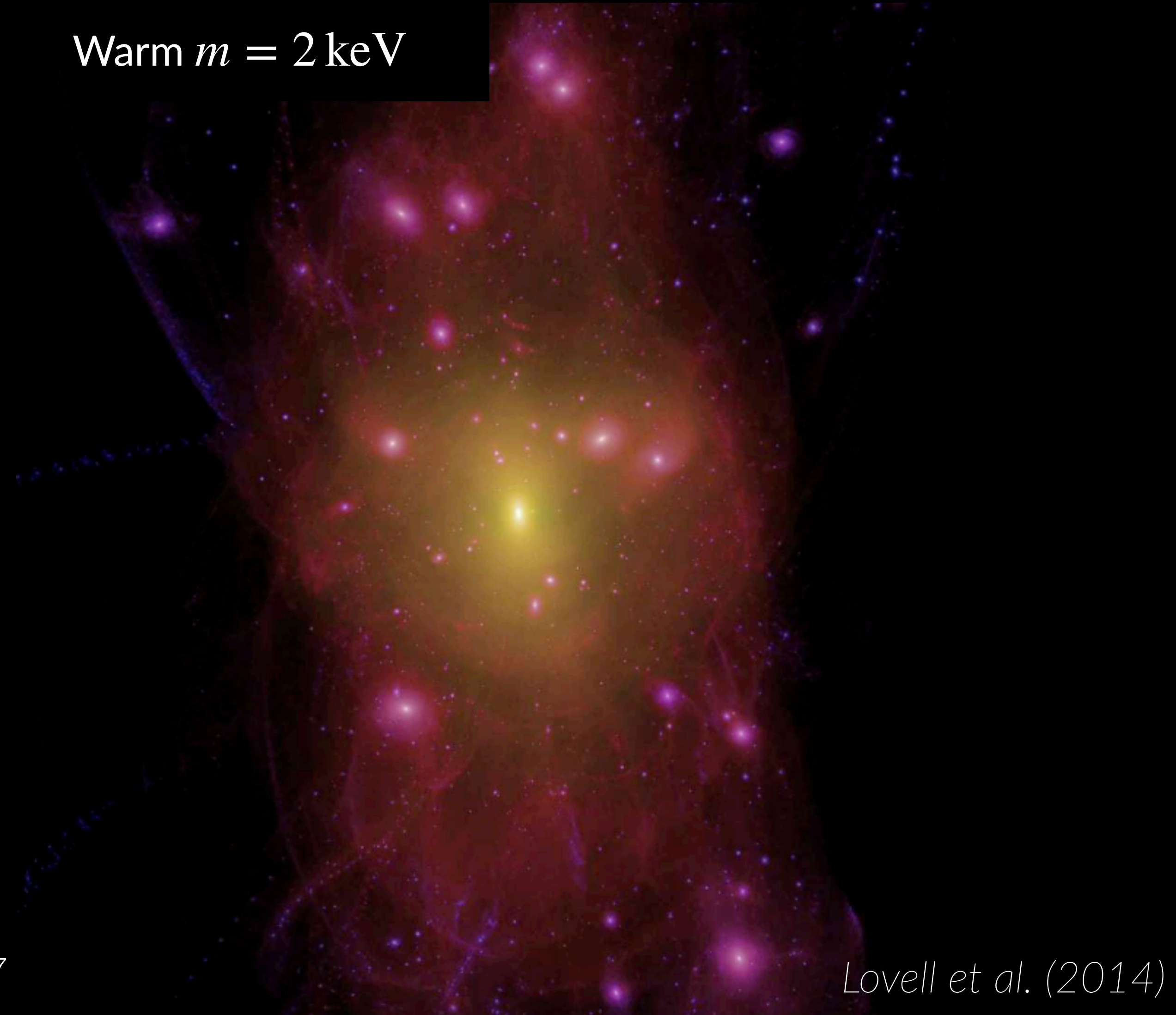


supernova feedback / ionisation processes

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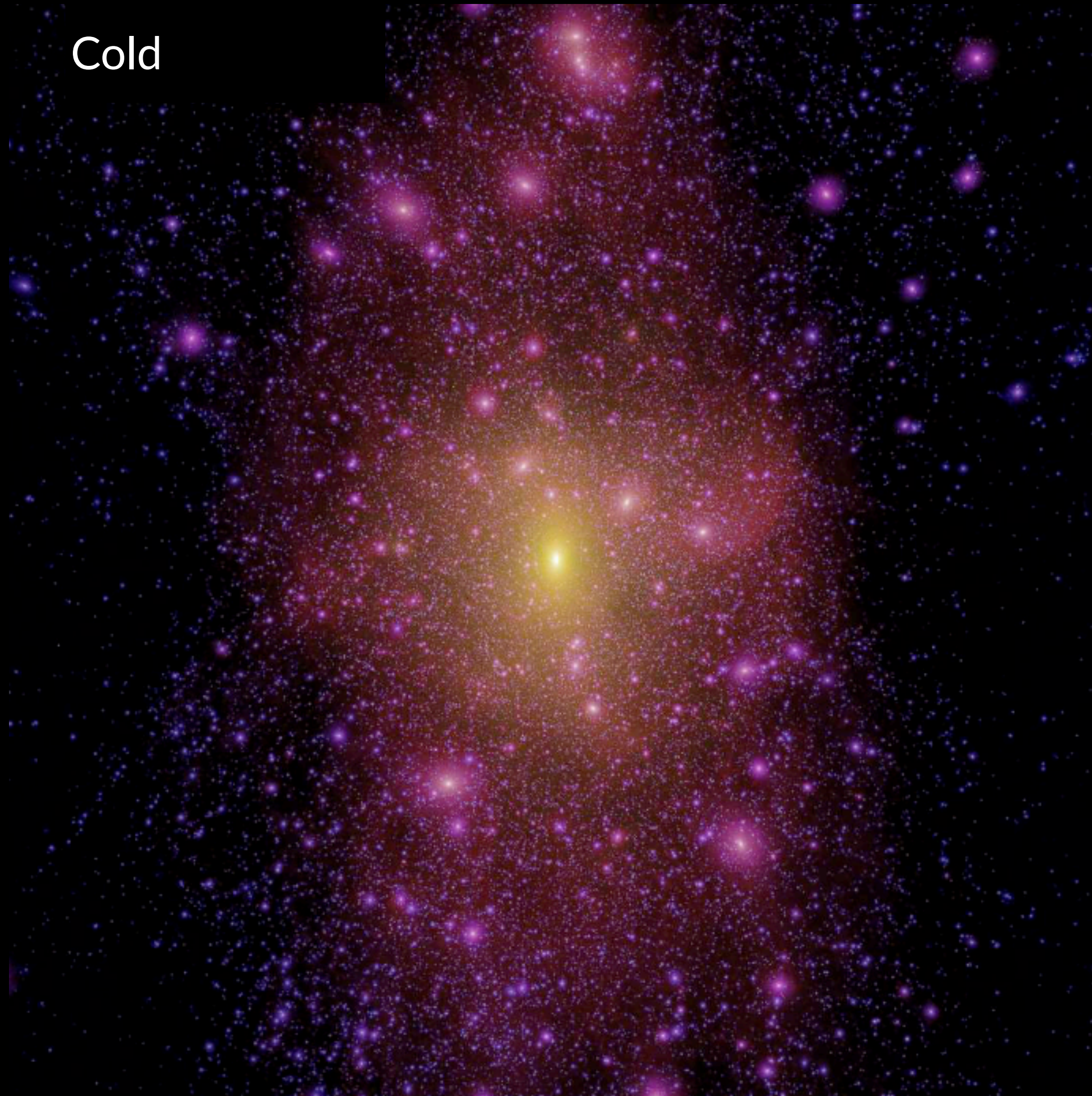


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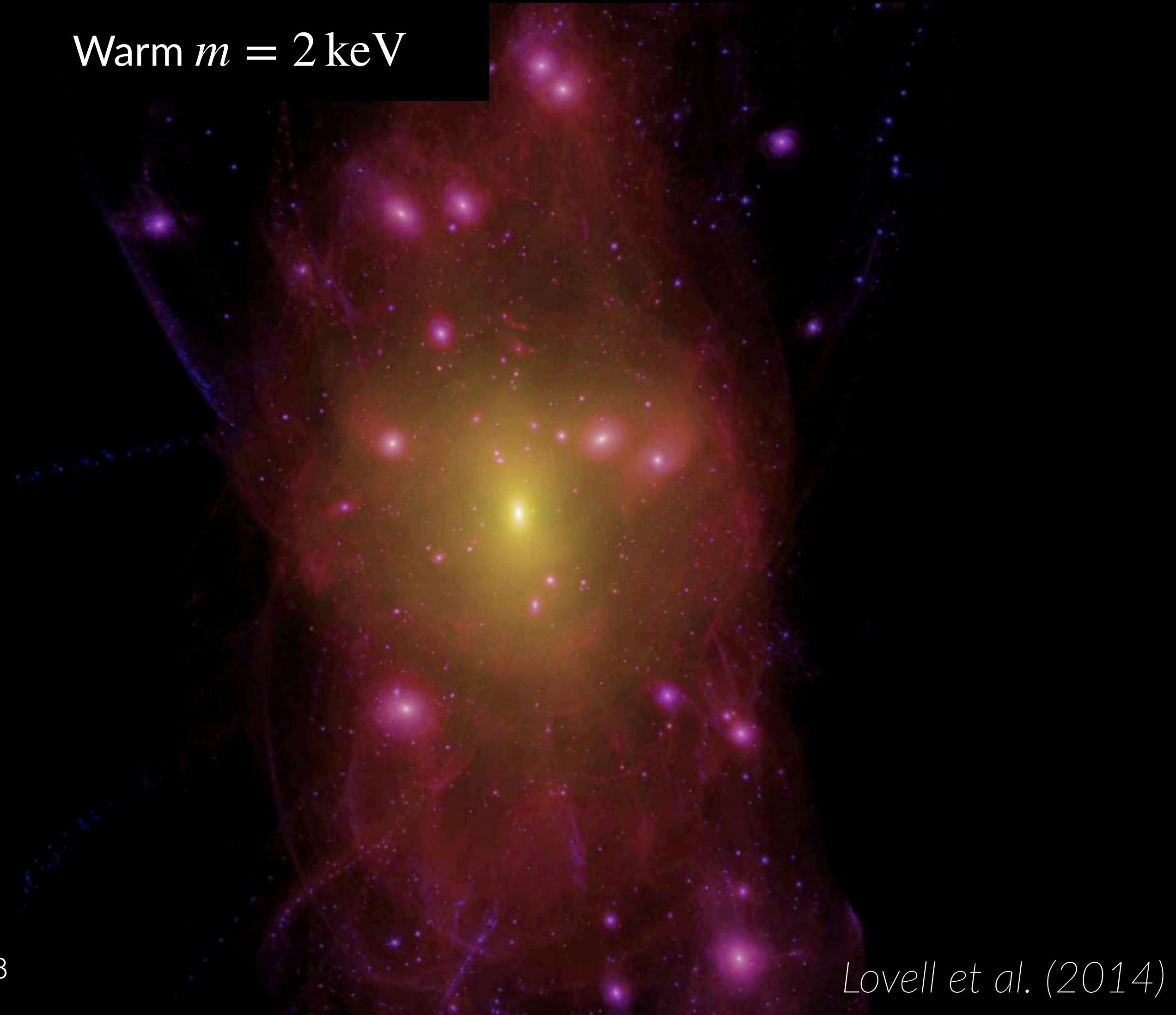
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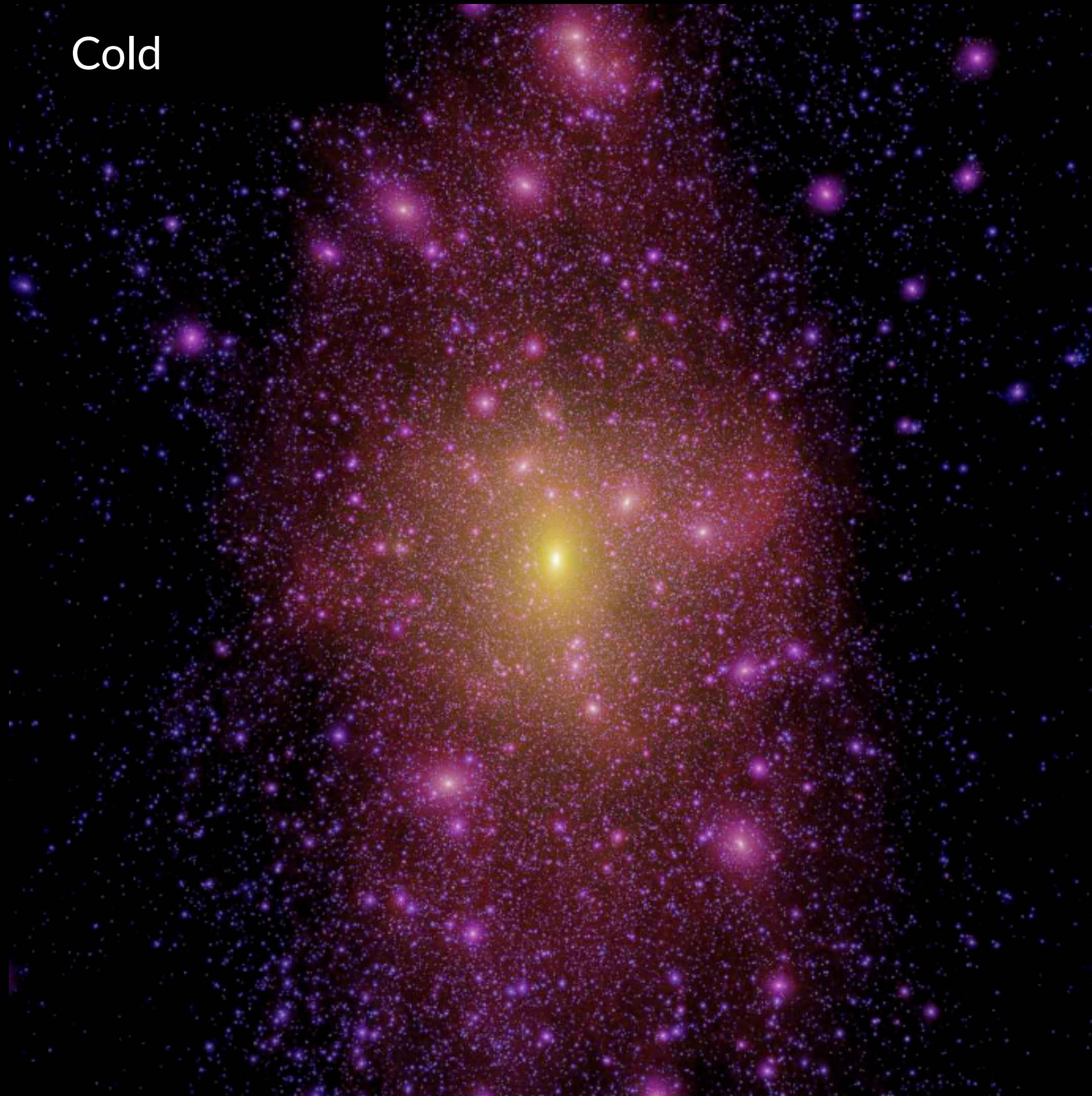
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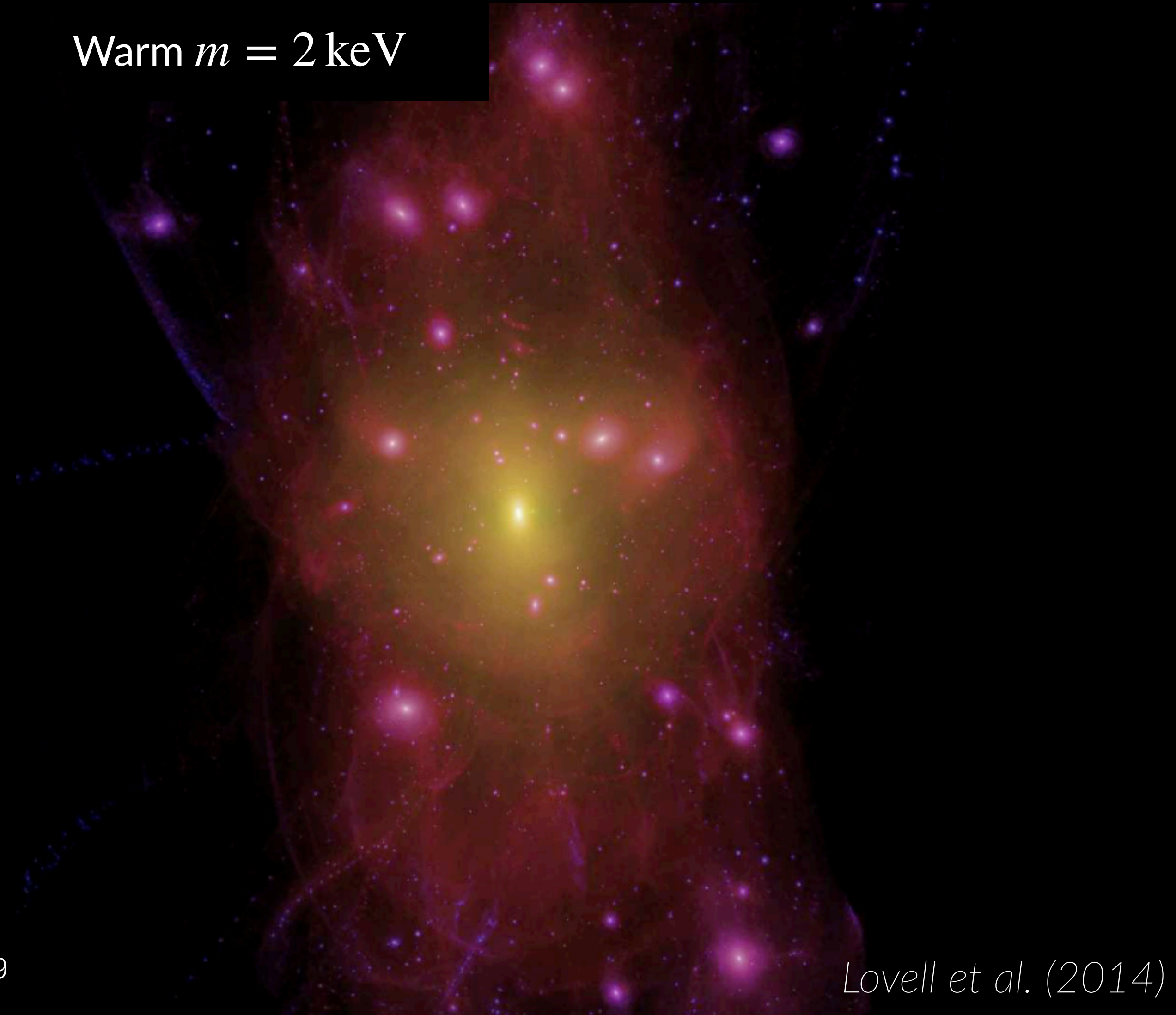


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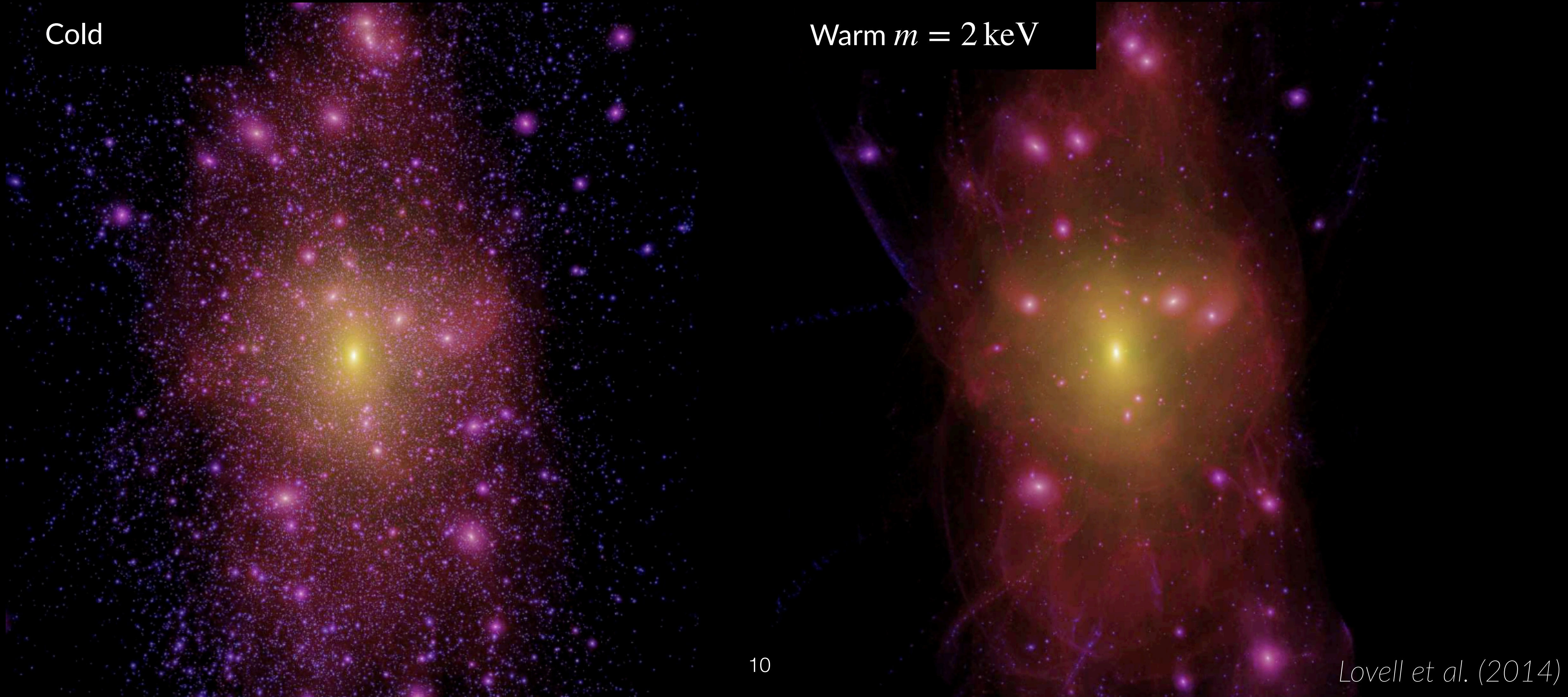





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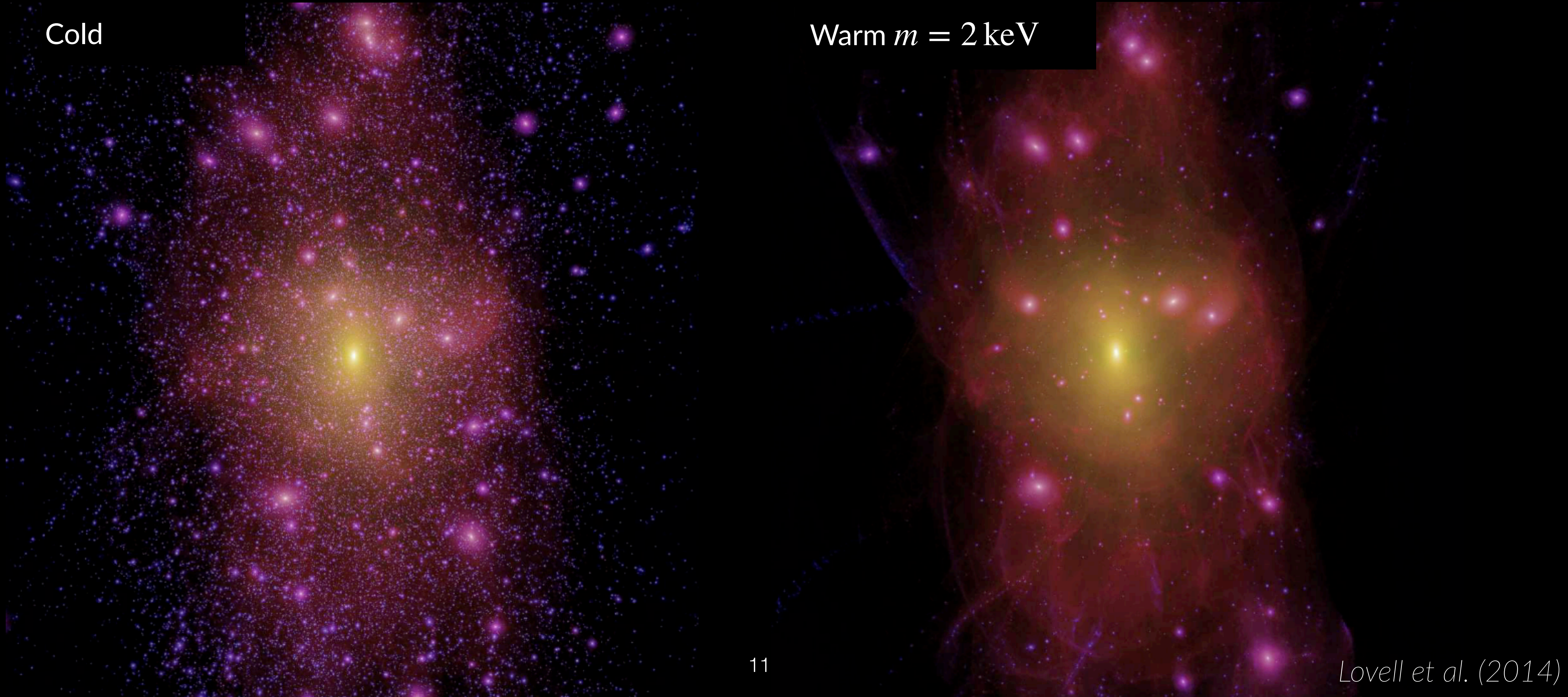




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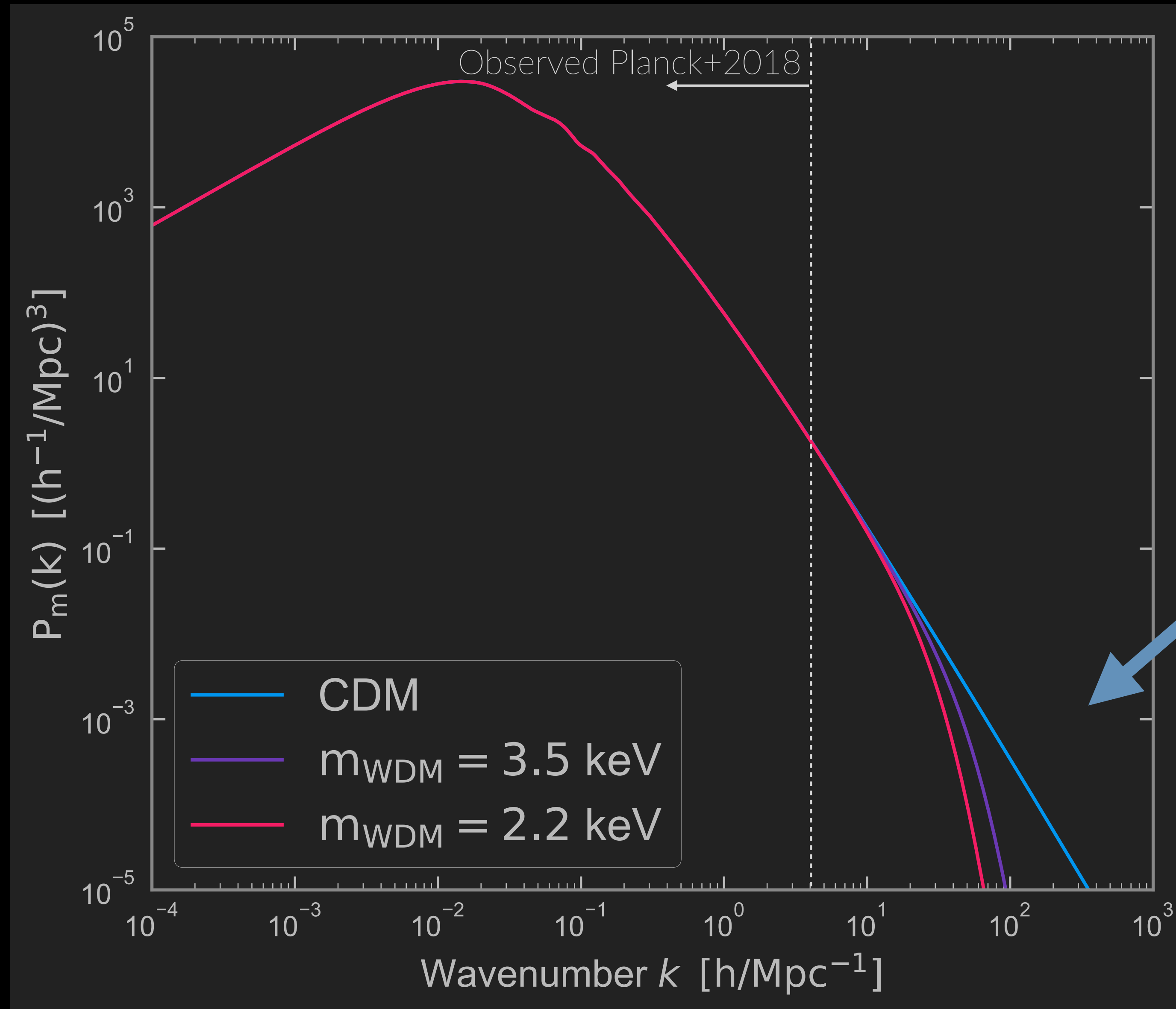
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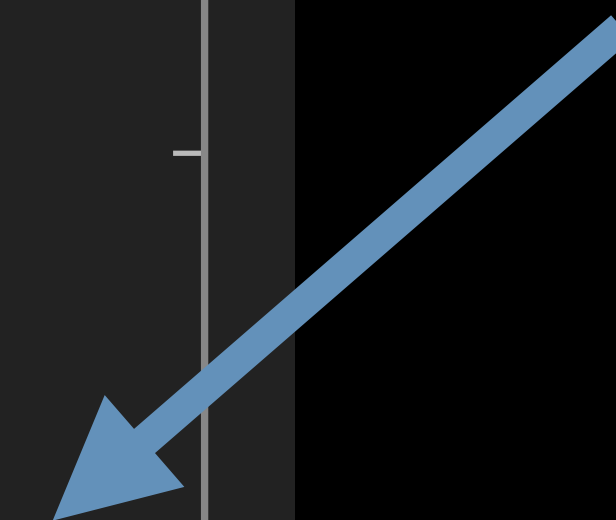
Semi-Analytical SubHalo Inference Modeling



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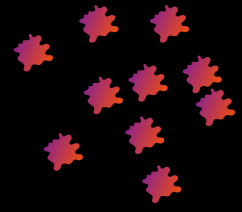
Warm particles  
suppress small scale  
perturbations



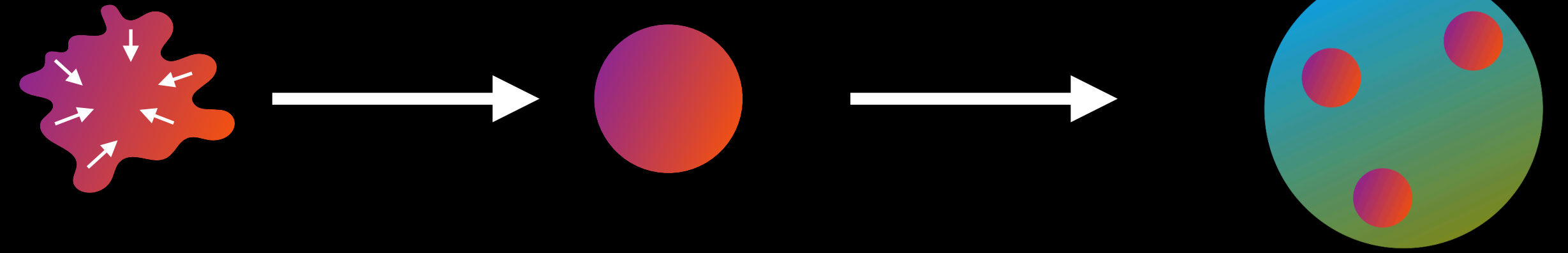
Thermal WDM (Viel+2011)



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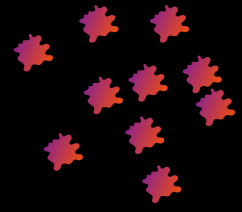


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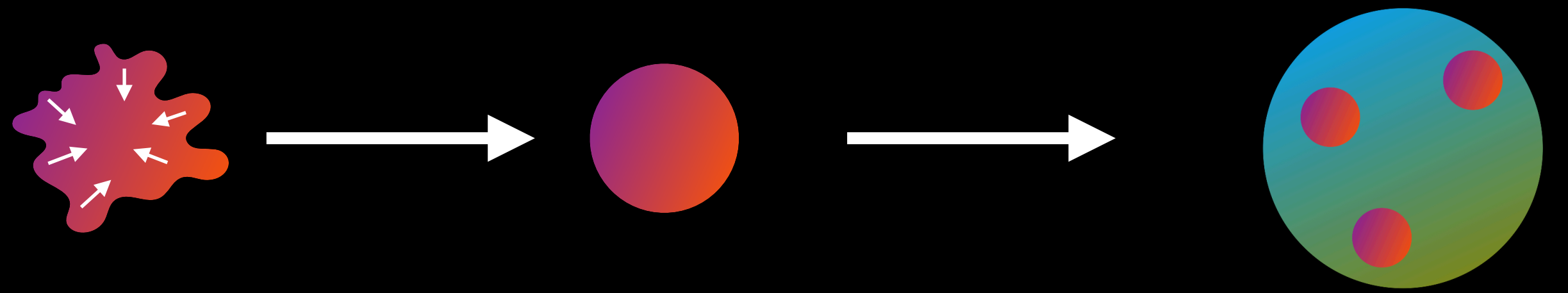


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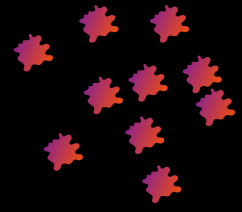


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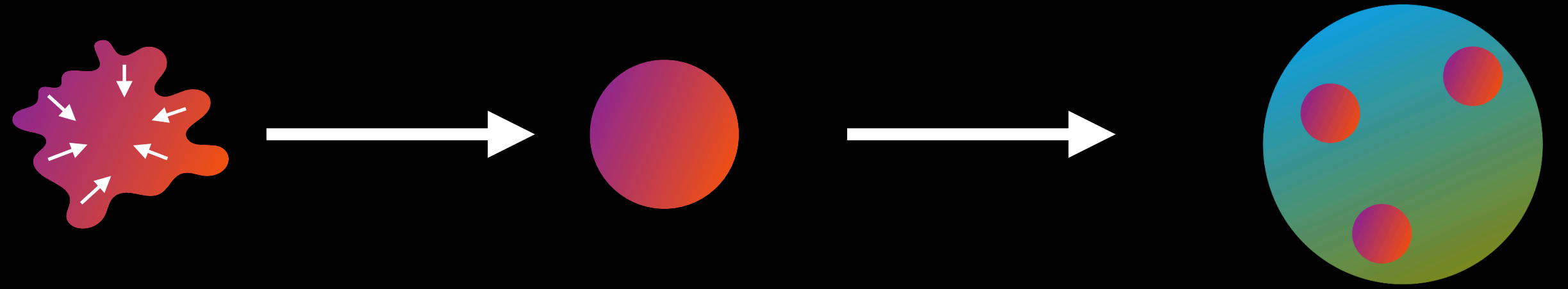
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Number of subhaloes with  $(m, z)$   
at accretion within host  $M$





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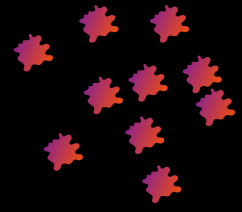


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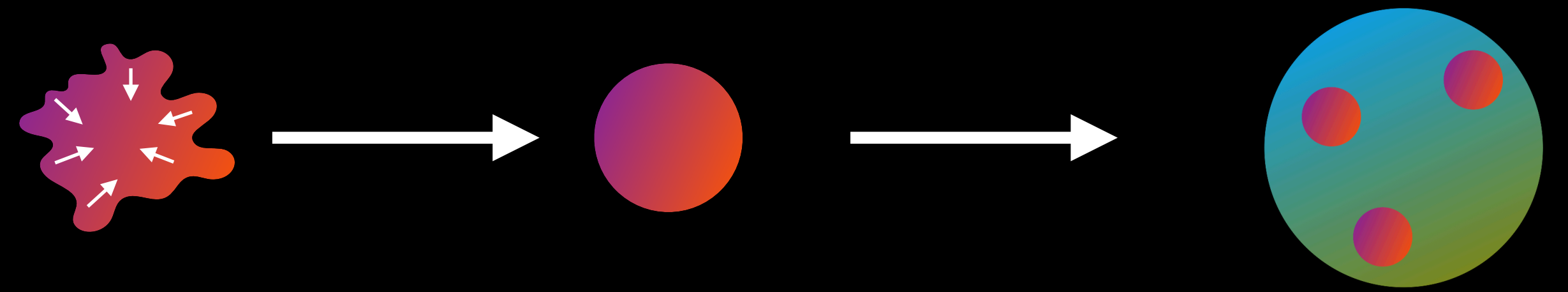
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Mass fraction of subhalos  
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on EPS, Yang+ 2011)





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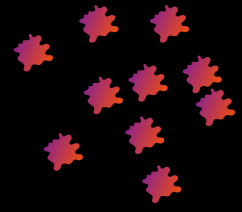
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Main branch of host halo evolves



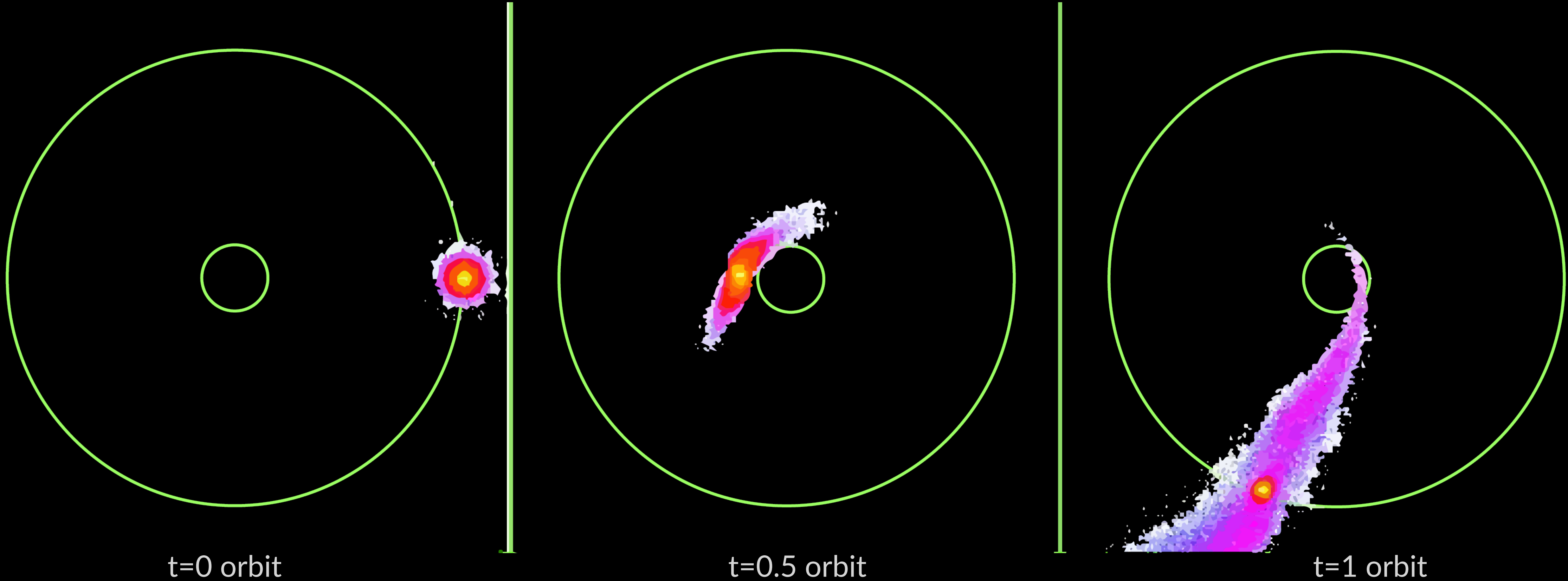
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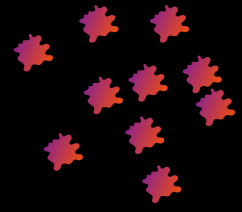
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- ▶ Incorporate average mass-loss due to tidal stripping (Hiroshima+ 2018, Van den Bosch+ 2005)

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{m - m(r_t)}{T_r}$$

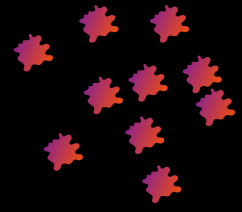


Mass stripped at pericenter after first orbital period  $T_r$  beyond  $r_t$

- ▶ Internal properties change:  $(\rho_s, r_s, r_t)$  before and after tidal stripping
- ▶ Remove completely disrupted subhalos ( $r_t < 0.77r_s$ )



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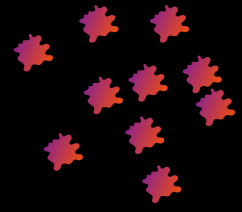
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**Extended Press-Schechter formalism**



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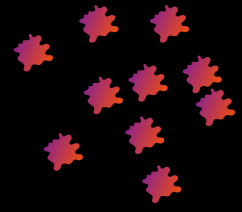
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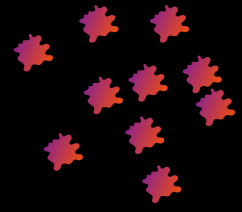
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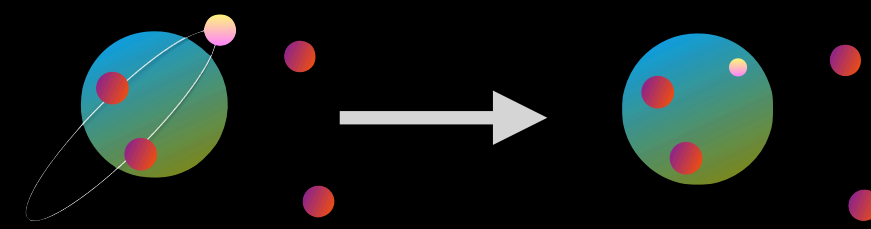
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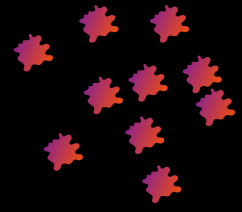
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Galaxy formation physics is model-dependent

- ▶ All subhalos host satellites (canonical)
- ▶ Galaxy formation threshold (mass, circular velocity)



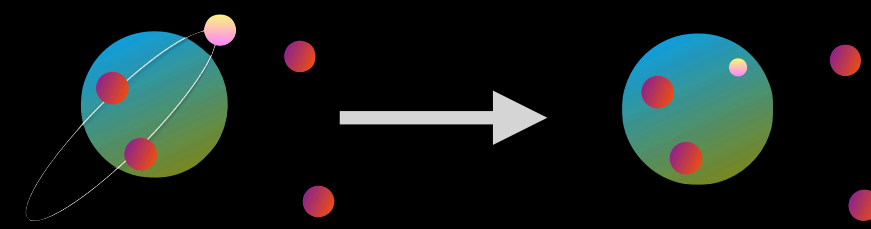
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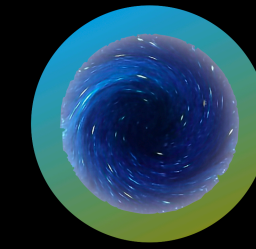
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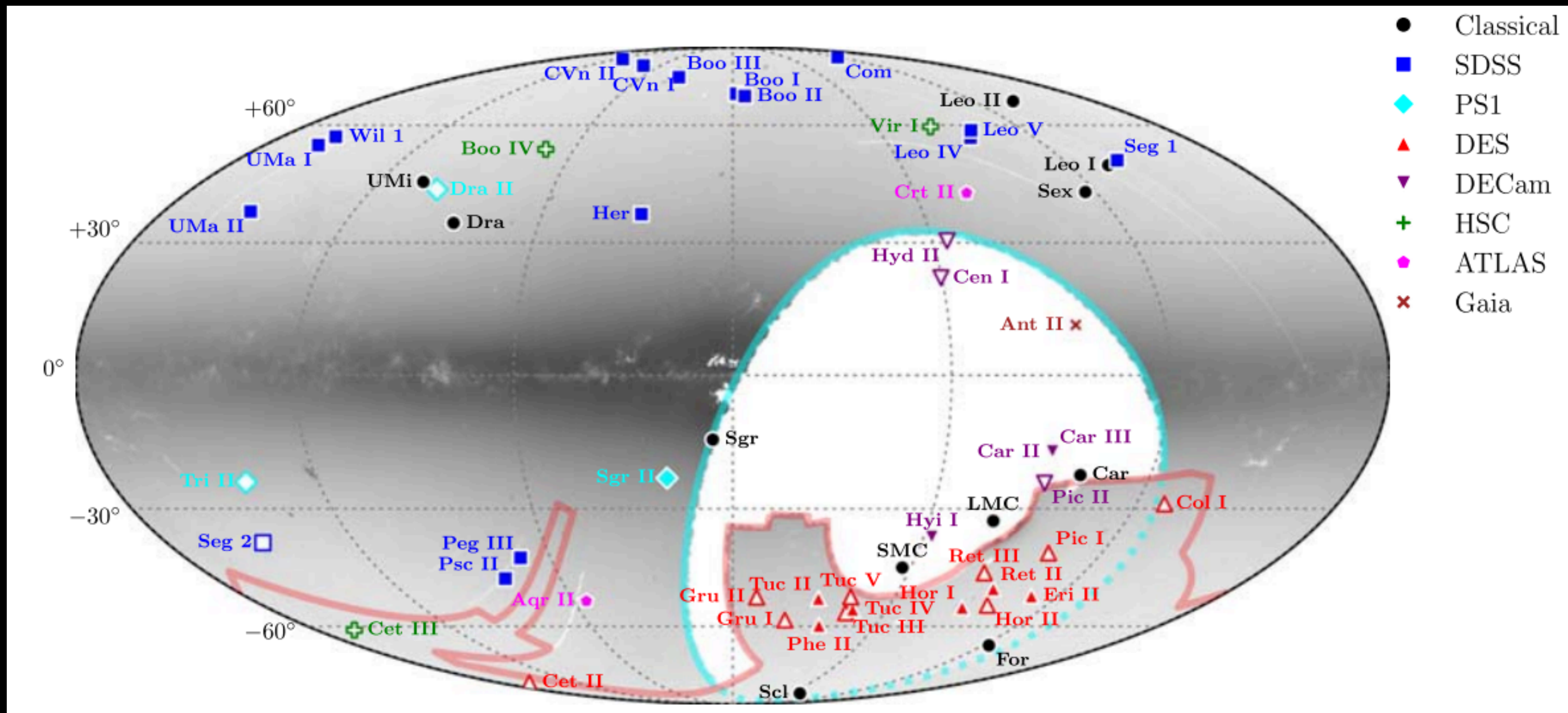


## 5. Obtain total number of satellites in the Milky-Way

- ▶ Integrate evolved subhalo mass function



# Observed satellites in the Milky Way



DES & Pan-STARRS1 observe ultra-faint satellite galaxies with ~80% sky coverage.

270 satellites after completeness correction

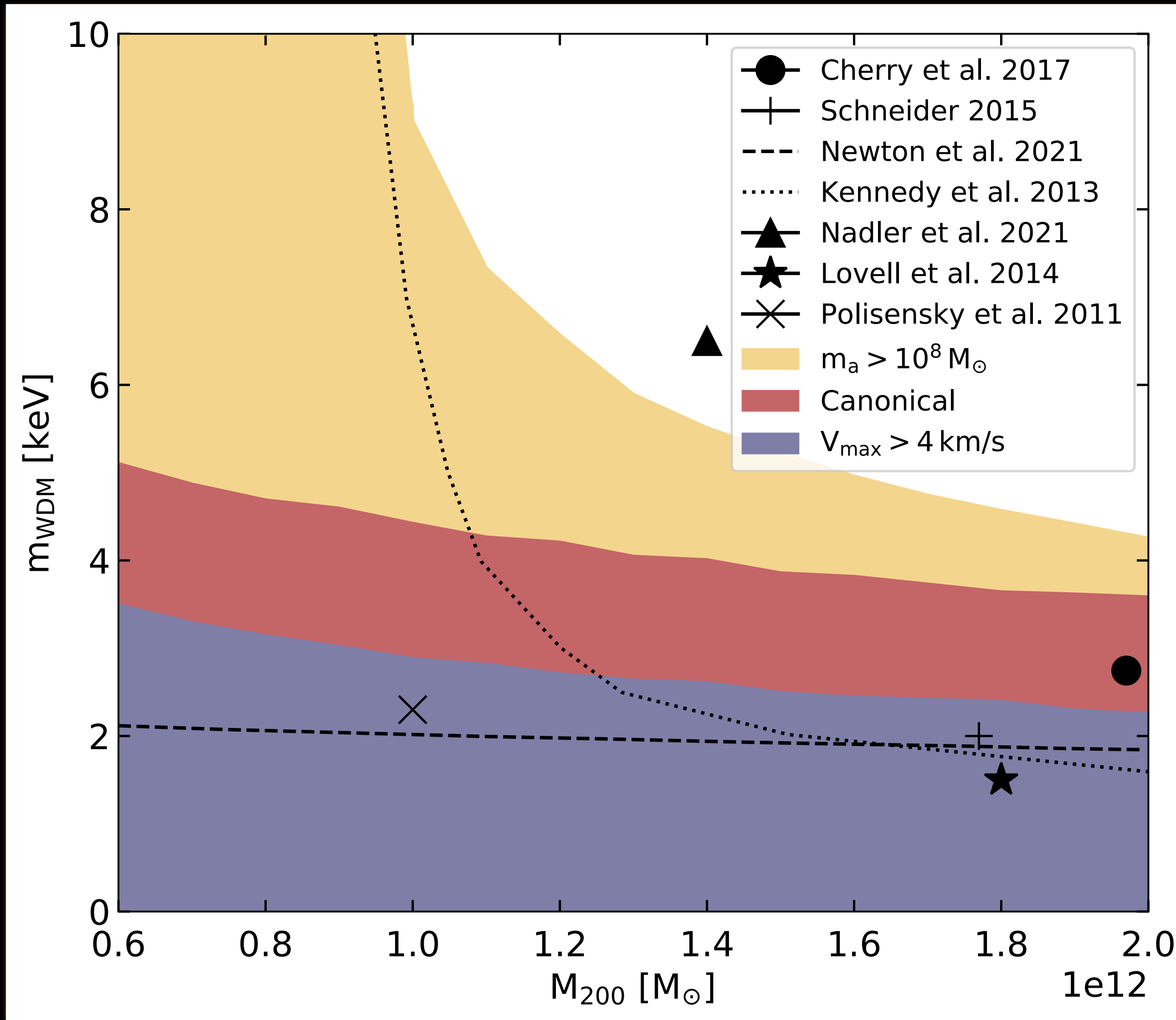
Drlica-Wagner et al. (2020)



We **exclude warm dark matter models** that produce too few satellites with SASHIMI at 95% confidence level.



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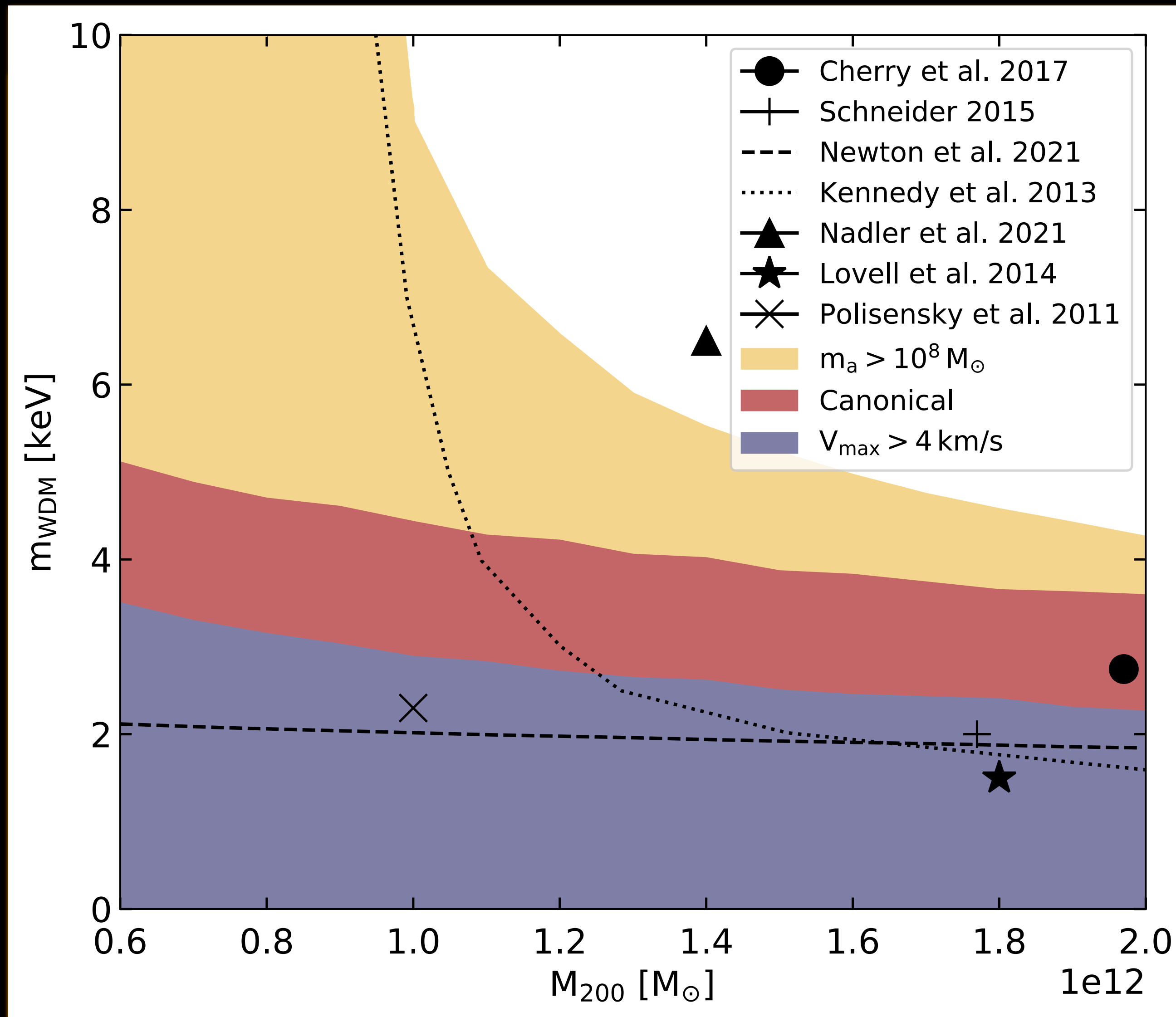
▶ Exclude WDM mass at 95% CL

$$m_{\text{WDM}} > 3.5 - 5 \text{ keV}$$

▶ Model-independent constraints



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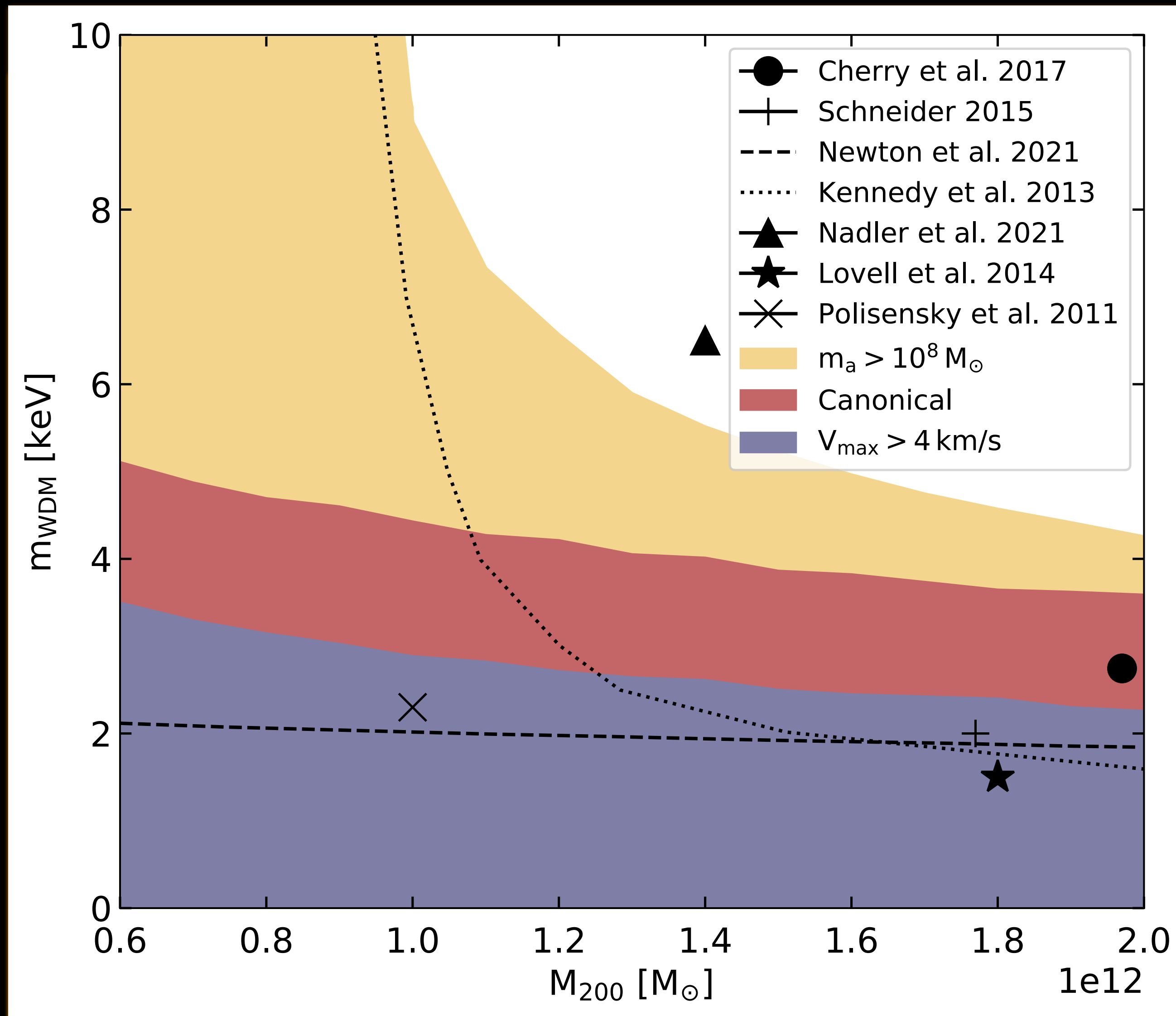


Galaxy formation threshold on mass

$$M_{sh} > 10^8 M_{\odot}$$



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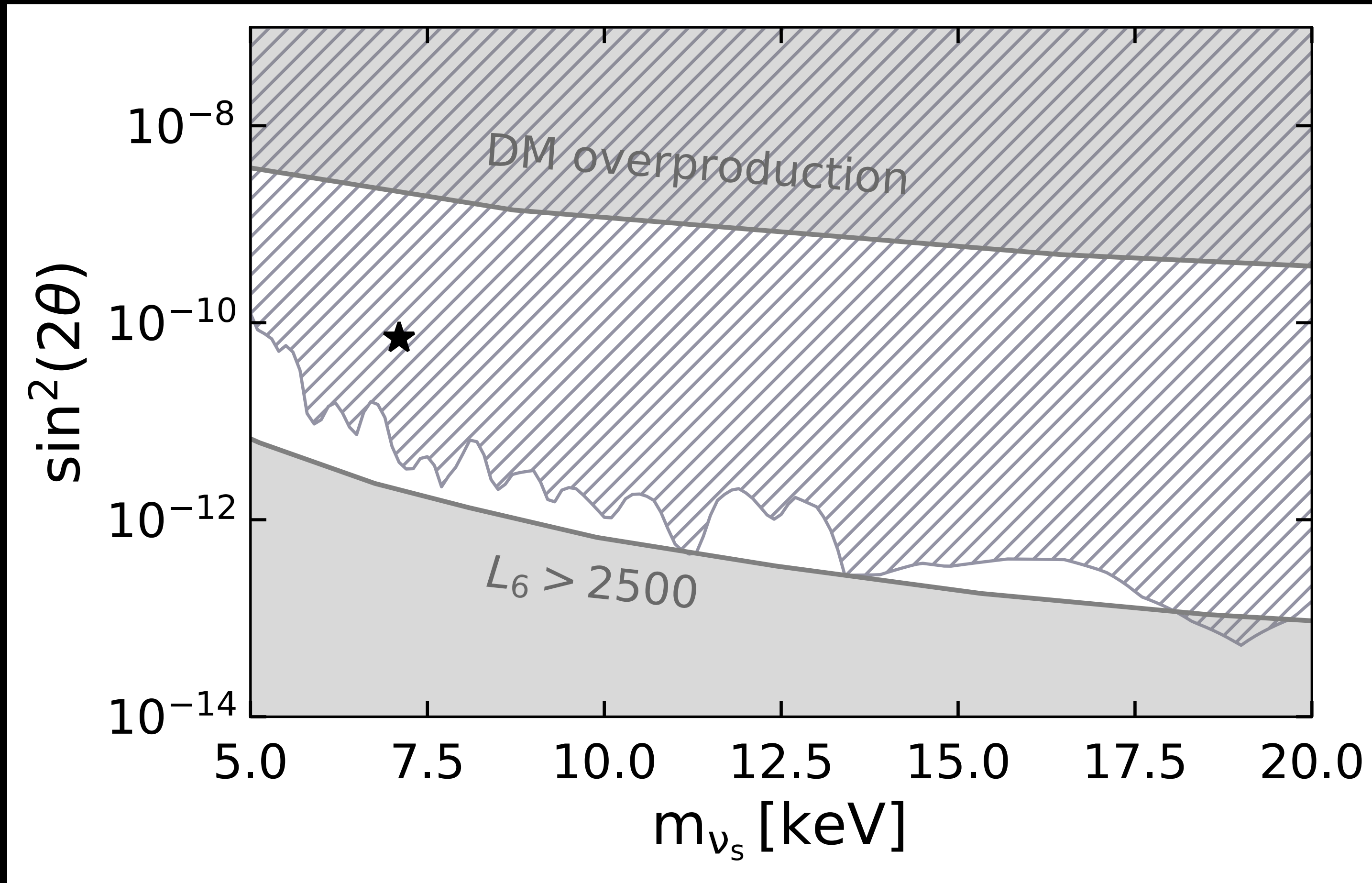
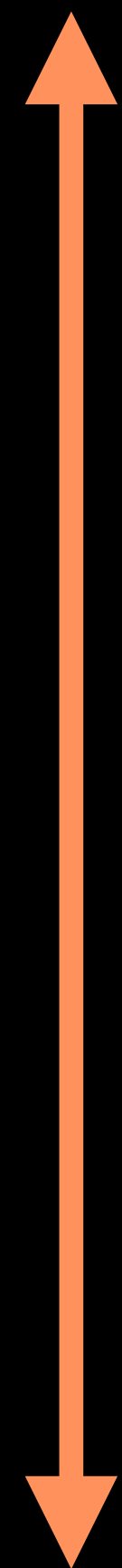
Galaxy formation threshold on maximum circular velocity

▶ Subset of 94 satellites with kinematic data (Simon 2019)

▶  $v_{\text{max}} > 4 \text{ km/s}$  (Leo V)

# Sterile Neutrino: Current constraints

More mixing with  $\nu$



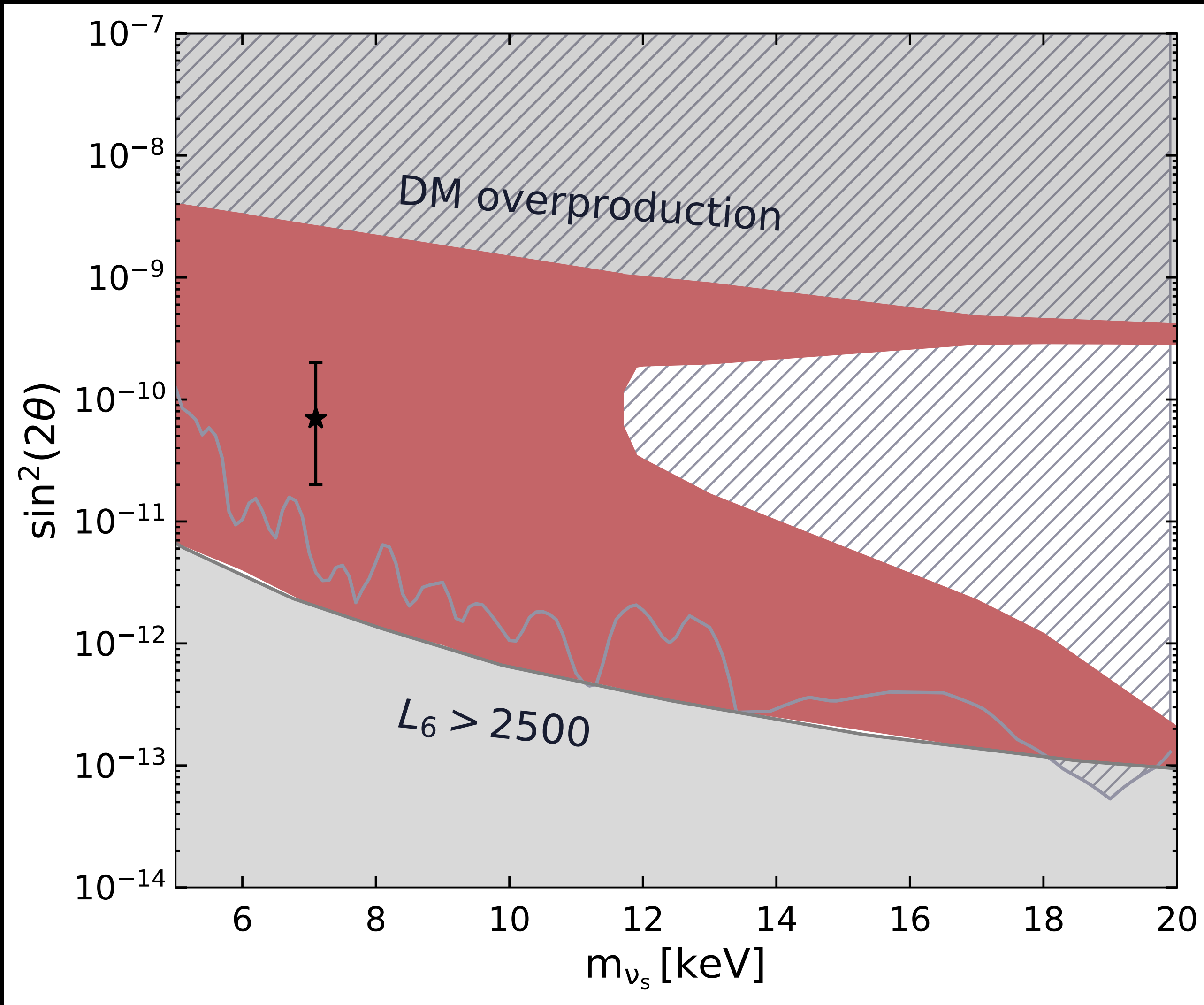
- ▶ Well-motivated WDM candidate
- ▶ Produced through mixing  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  with neutrinos
- ▶ Enhanced by lepton asymmetry (Shi&Fuller 1999)



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# Sterile Neutrino Constraints



$$M_{\text{MW}} = 10^{12} M_{\odot}$$

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■ Constraints at 95% CL

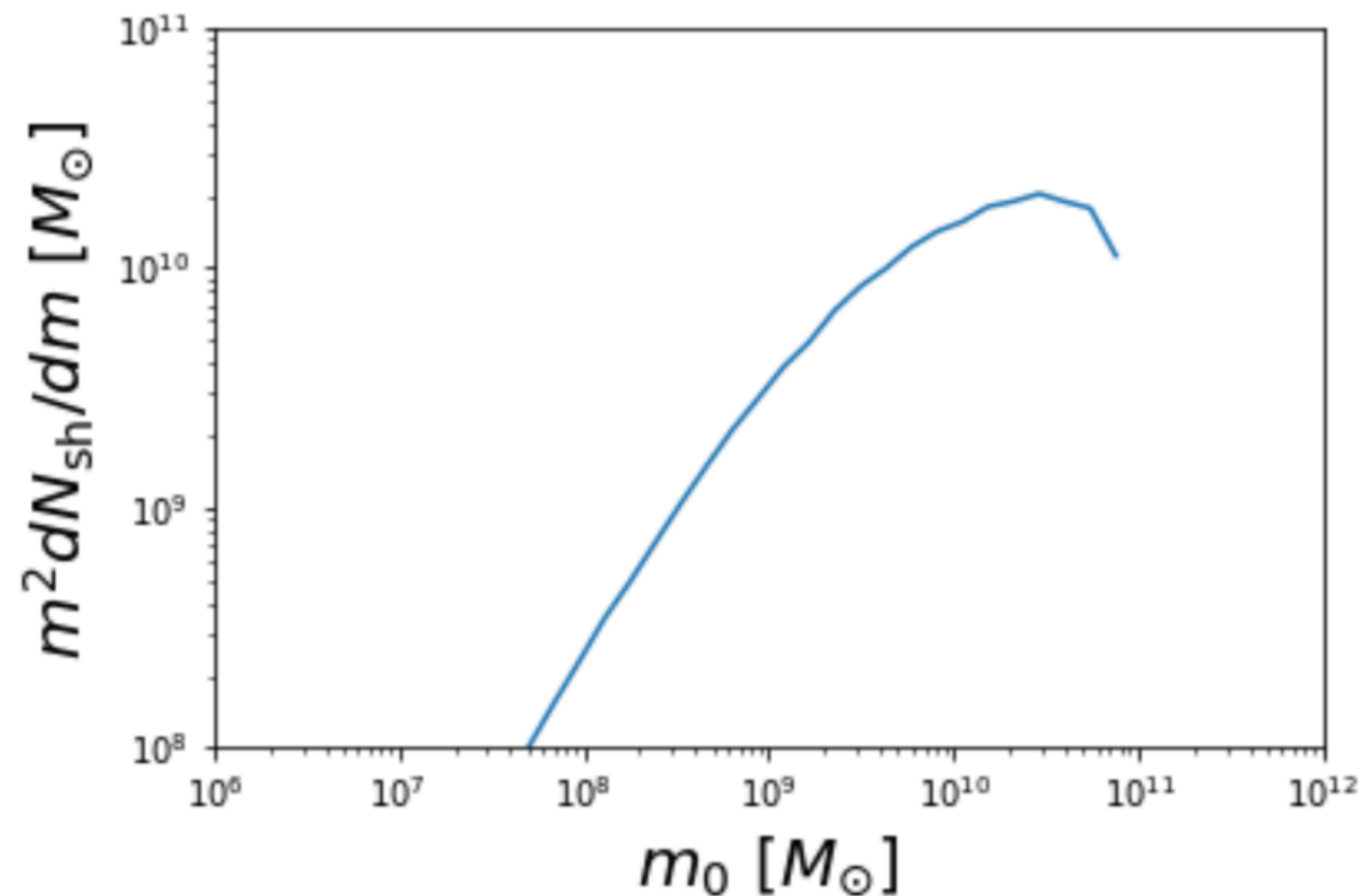
Exclude sterile neutrino mass  $< 12$  keV

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Codes **SASHIMI** publicly available on GitHub\*

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m, dNdm = sh.subhalo_distr(Mhost_0)

plt.loglog(m, m**2*dNdm)
plt.xlim(1e6, 1e12)
plt.ylim(1e8, 1e11)
plt.xlabel(r'$m_0$ [$M_{\odot}]$', fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel(r'$m^2$ dN_{\rm sh}/dm [$M_{\odot}]$', fontsize=20)
plt.show()
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\* <https://github.com/shinichiroando/sashimi-w>  
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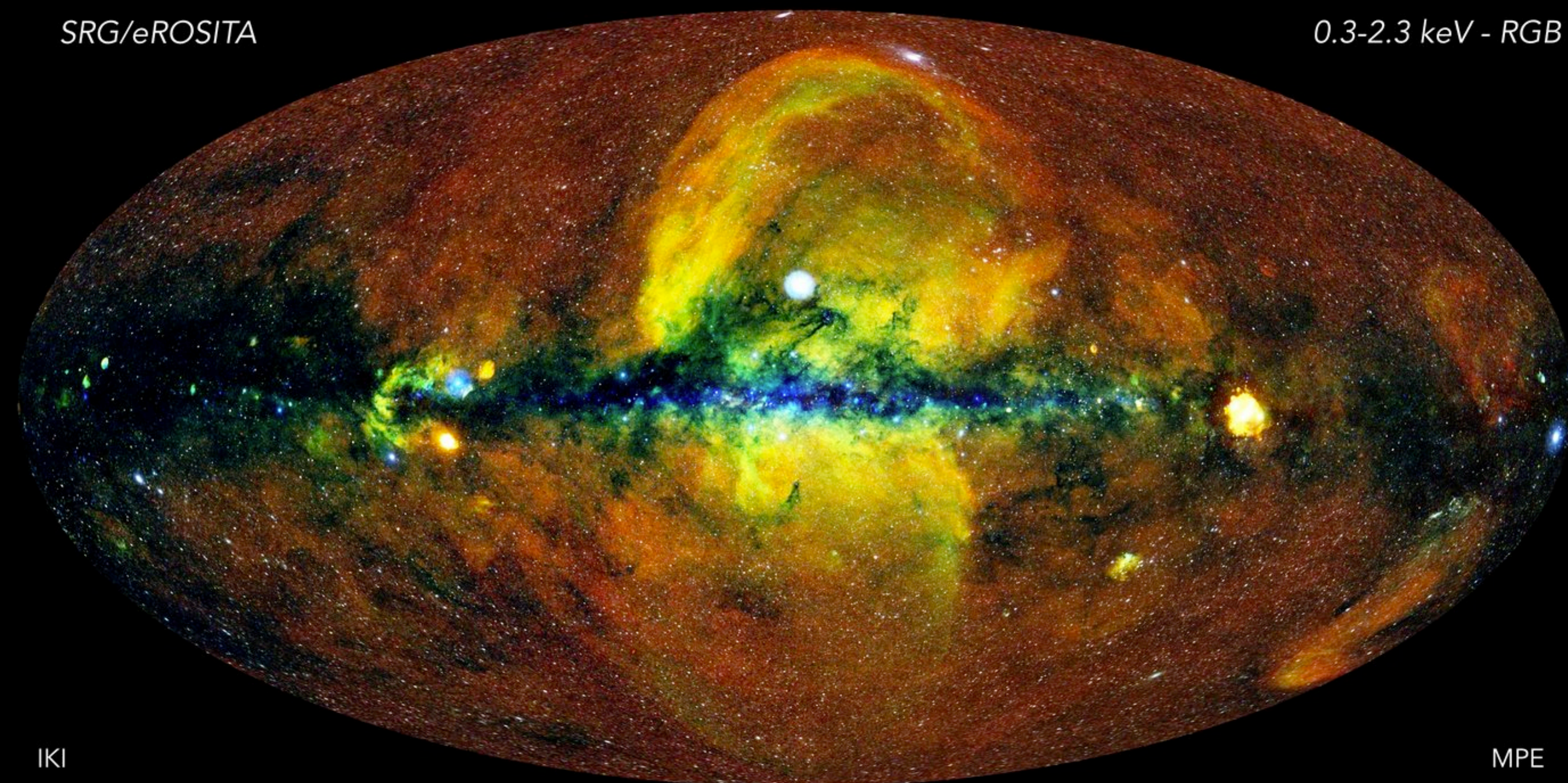
## 2) Indirect searches

Complementary searches for sterile neutrinos through  
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# Sterile neutrino: Indirect searches with X-rays

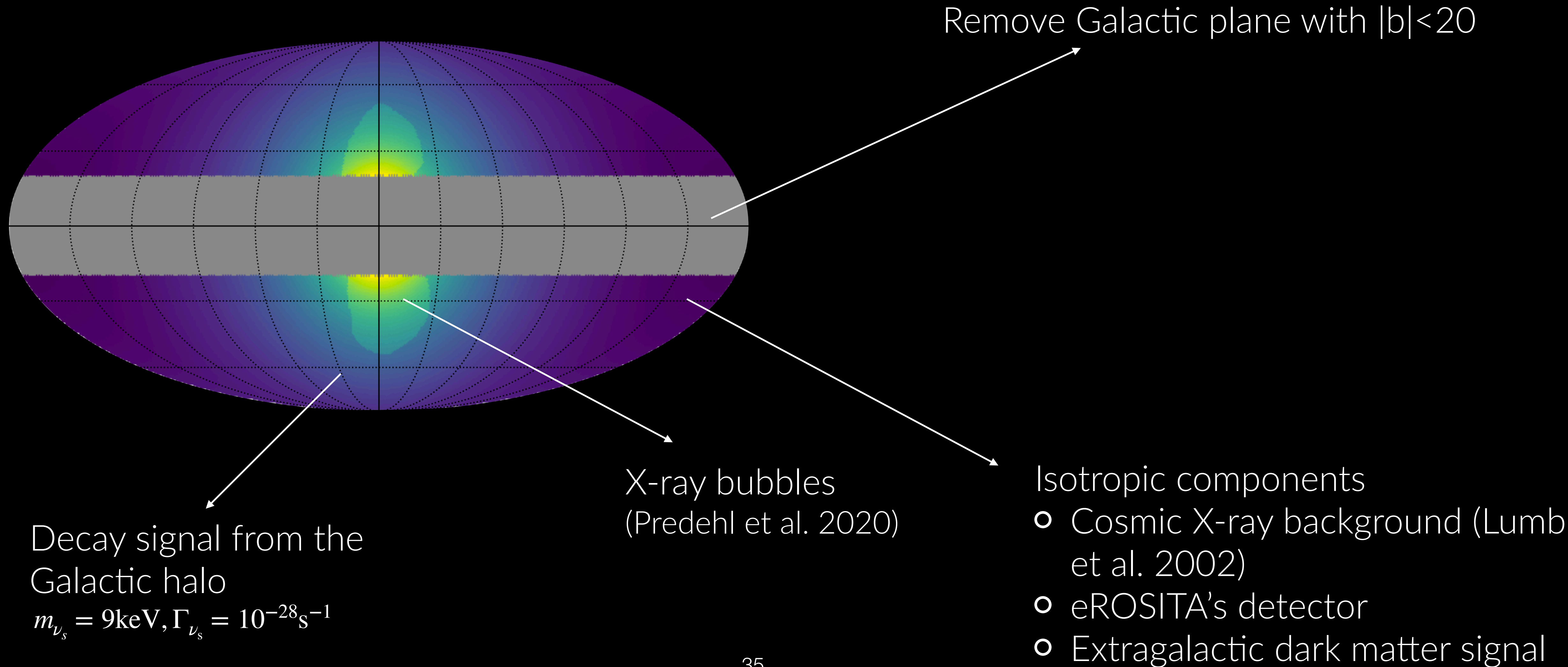
- ▶ Sterile neutrino decays into monochromatic X-ray line  $\nu_s \rightarrow \nu_a + \gamma$
- ▶ eROSITA: All-sky X-ray survey (4 years)
- ▶ Studied diffuse emission from Galactic halo





# X-ray count sky maps

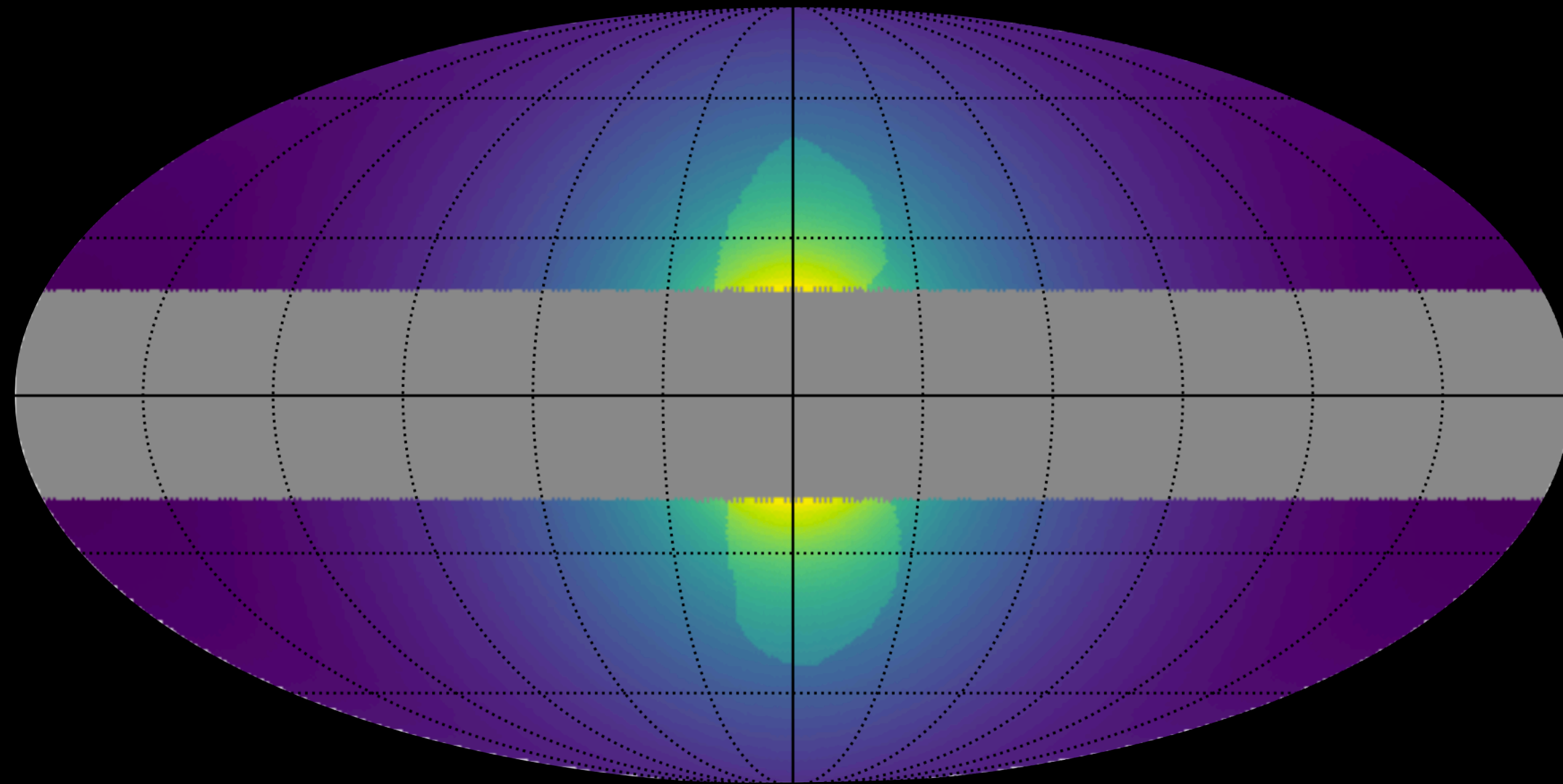
2.5 ks eROSITA exposure



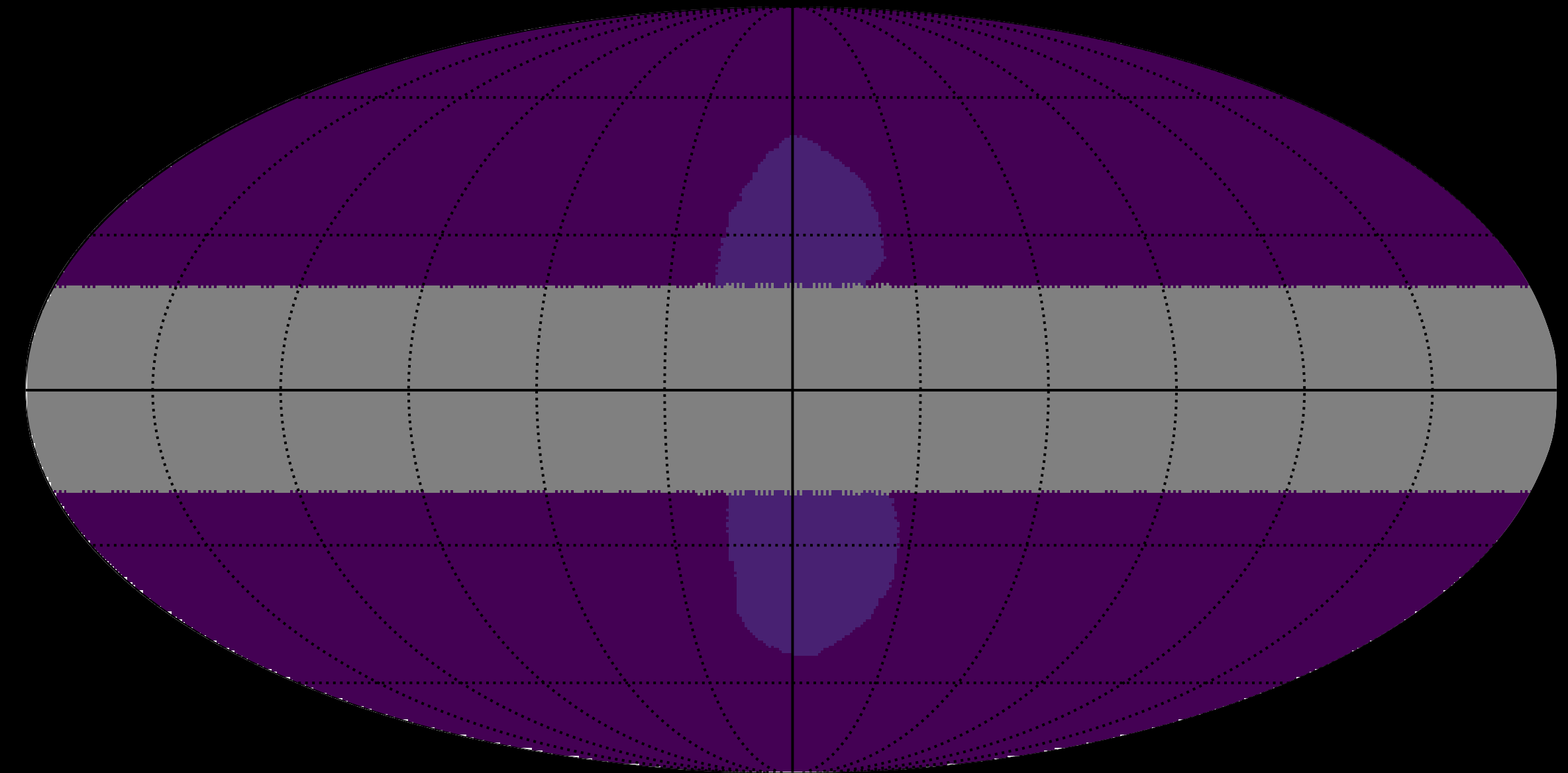
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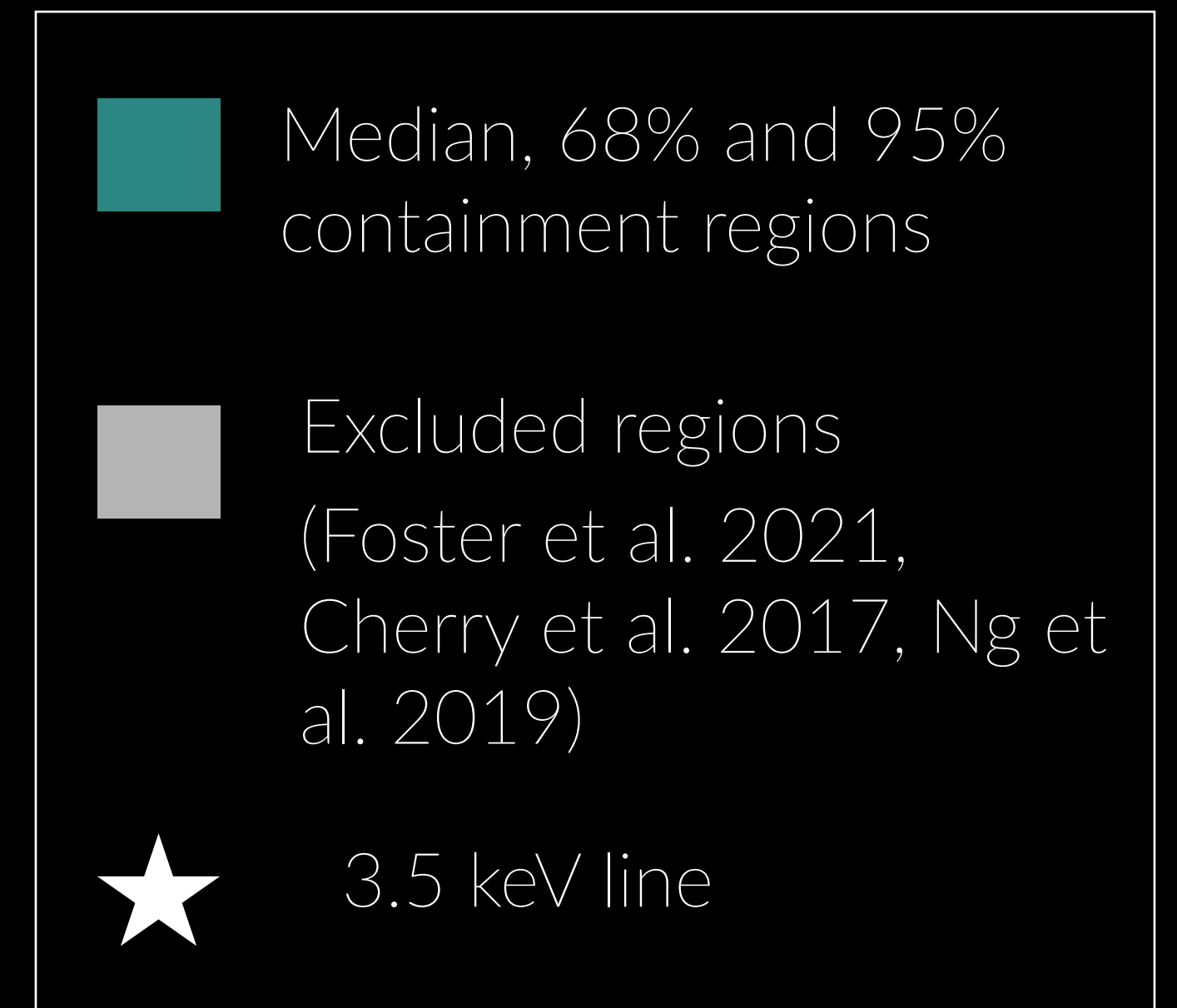
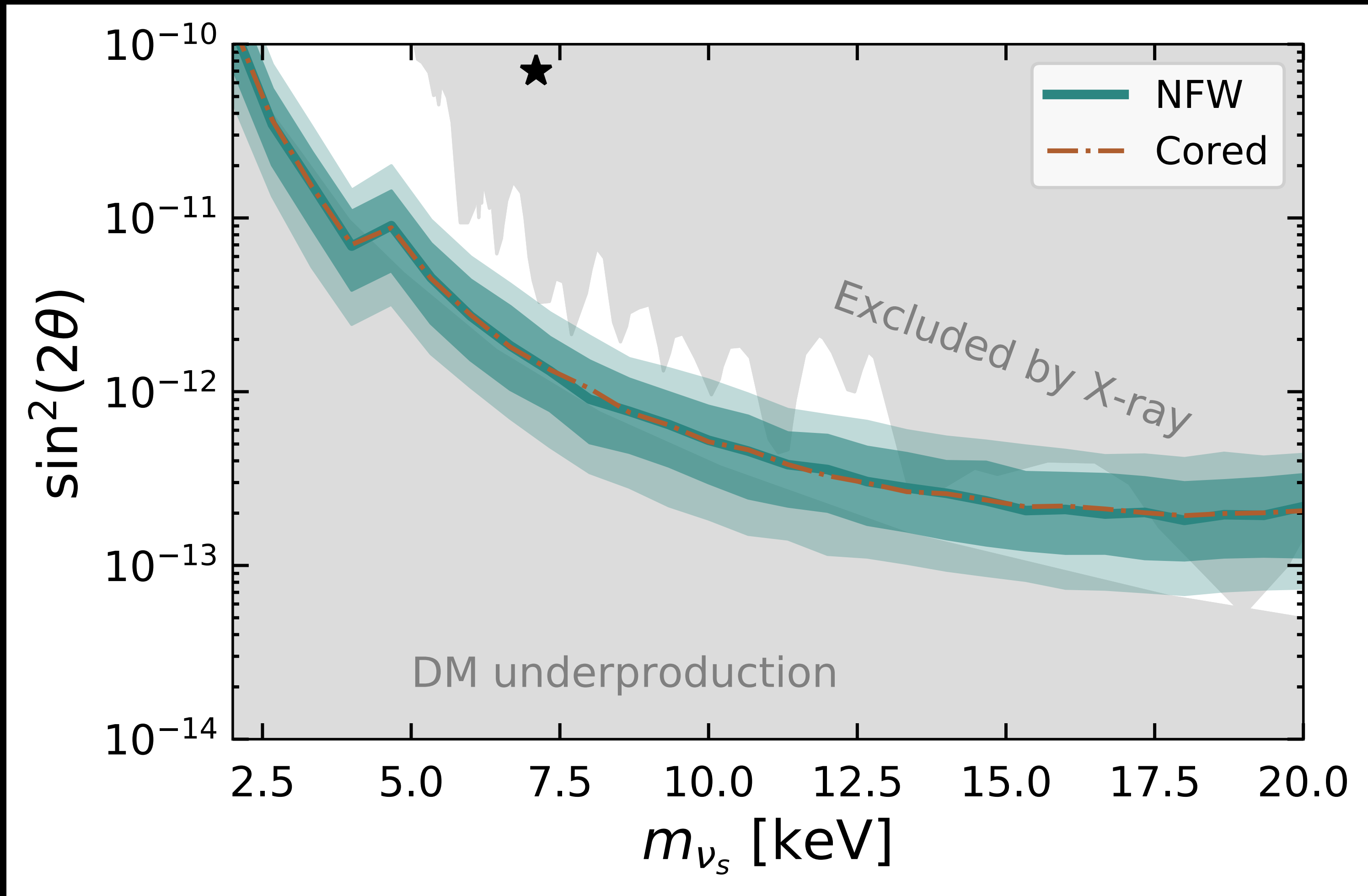
Mock data sets



Generate mock data sets  
Joint likelihood analysis – Obtain upper limits at 95% CL

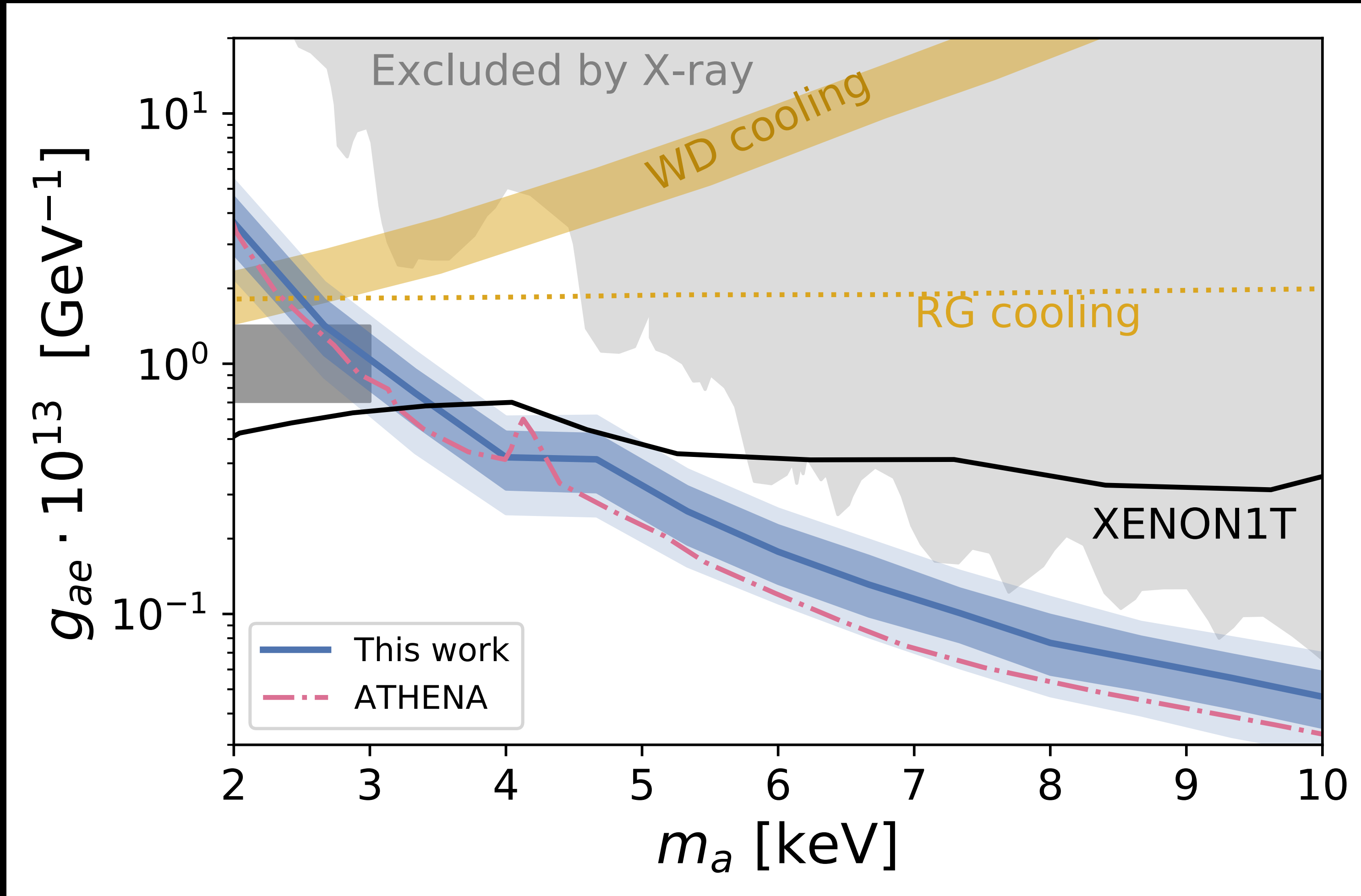


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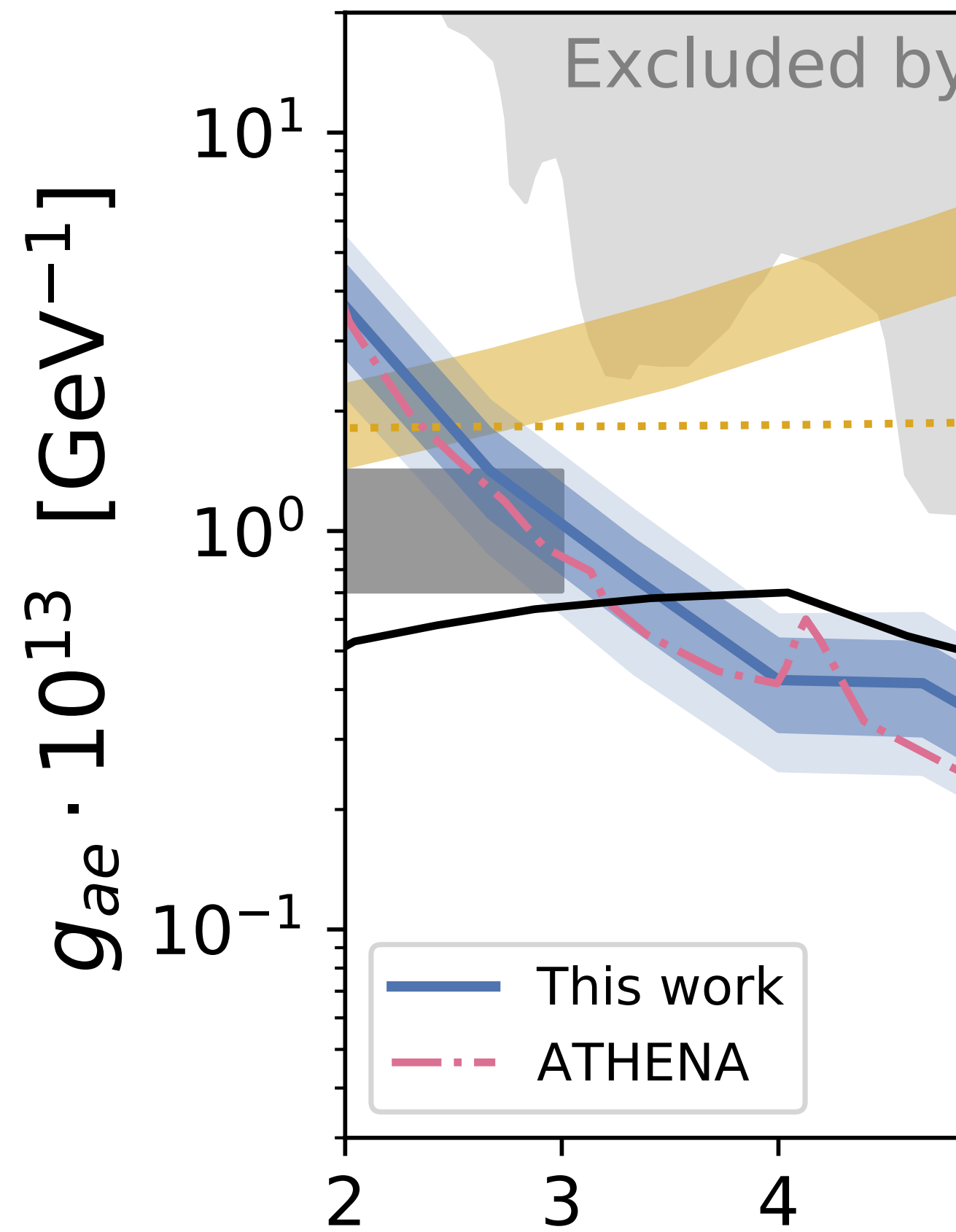
XENON1T excess explained by ALP at  $3\sigma$  (Aprile et al. 2020) ??

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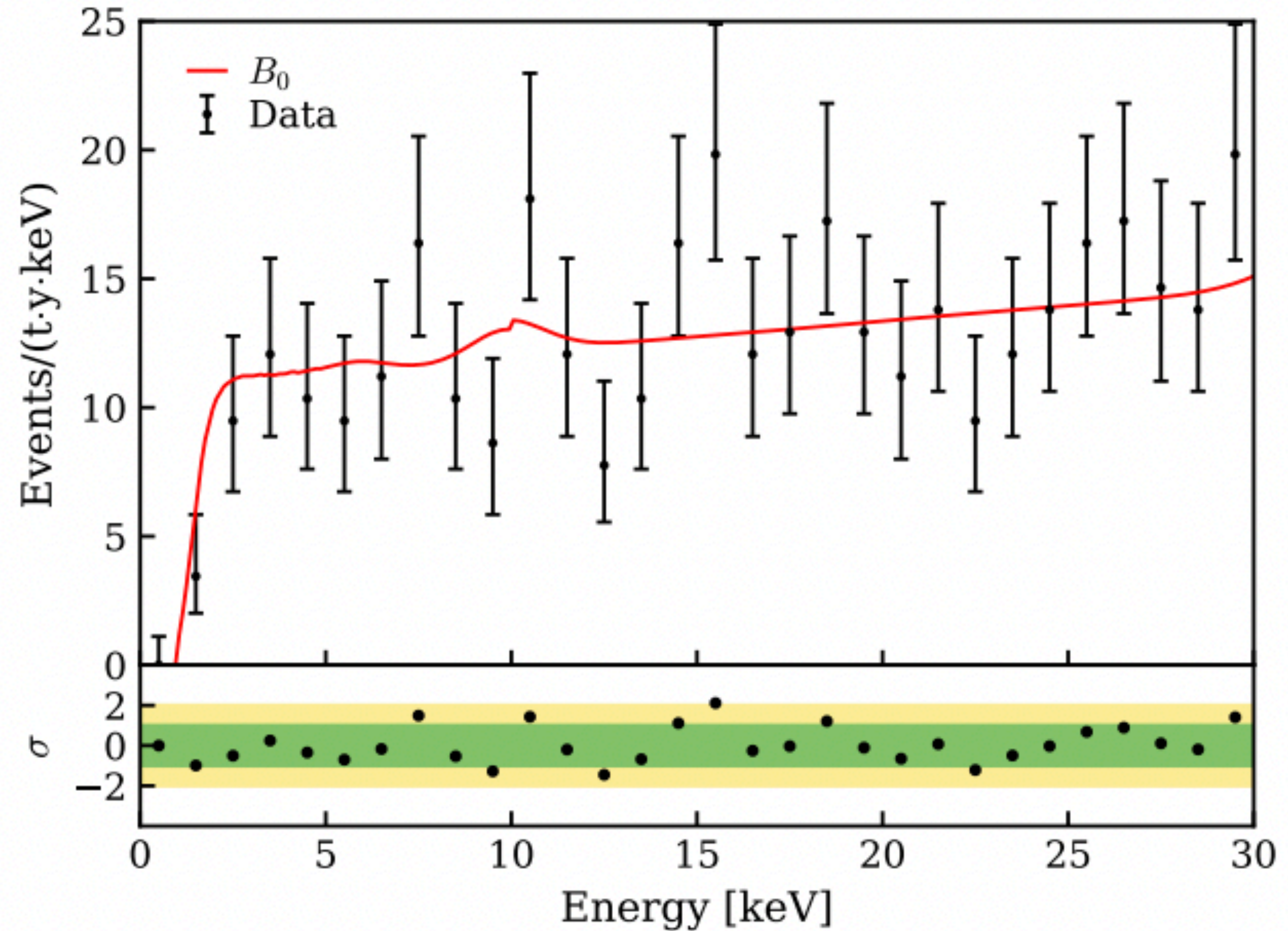


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Knut Moraa presented at IDM2022 excess gone!

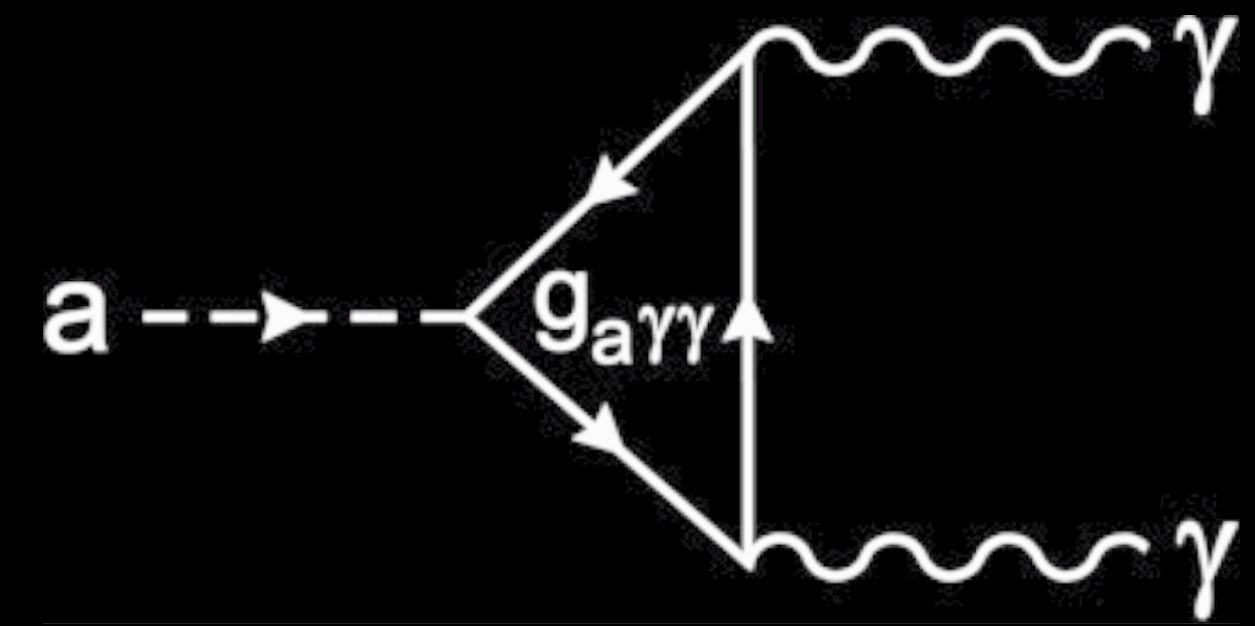
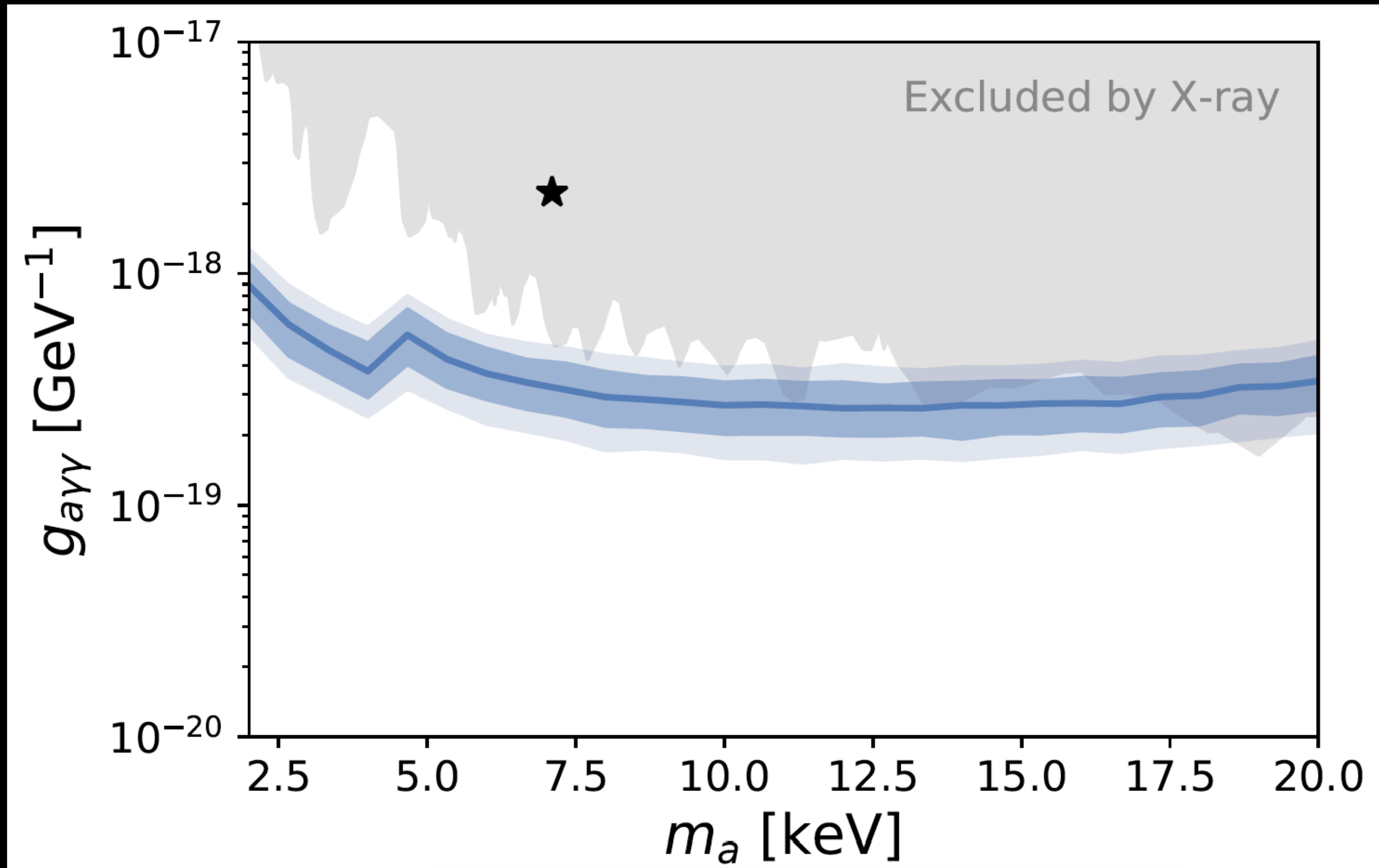


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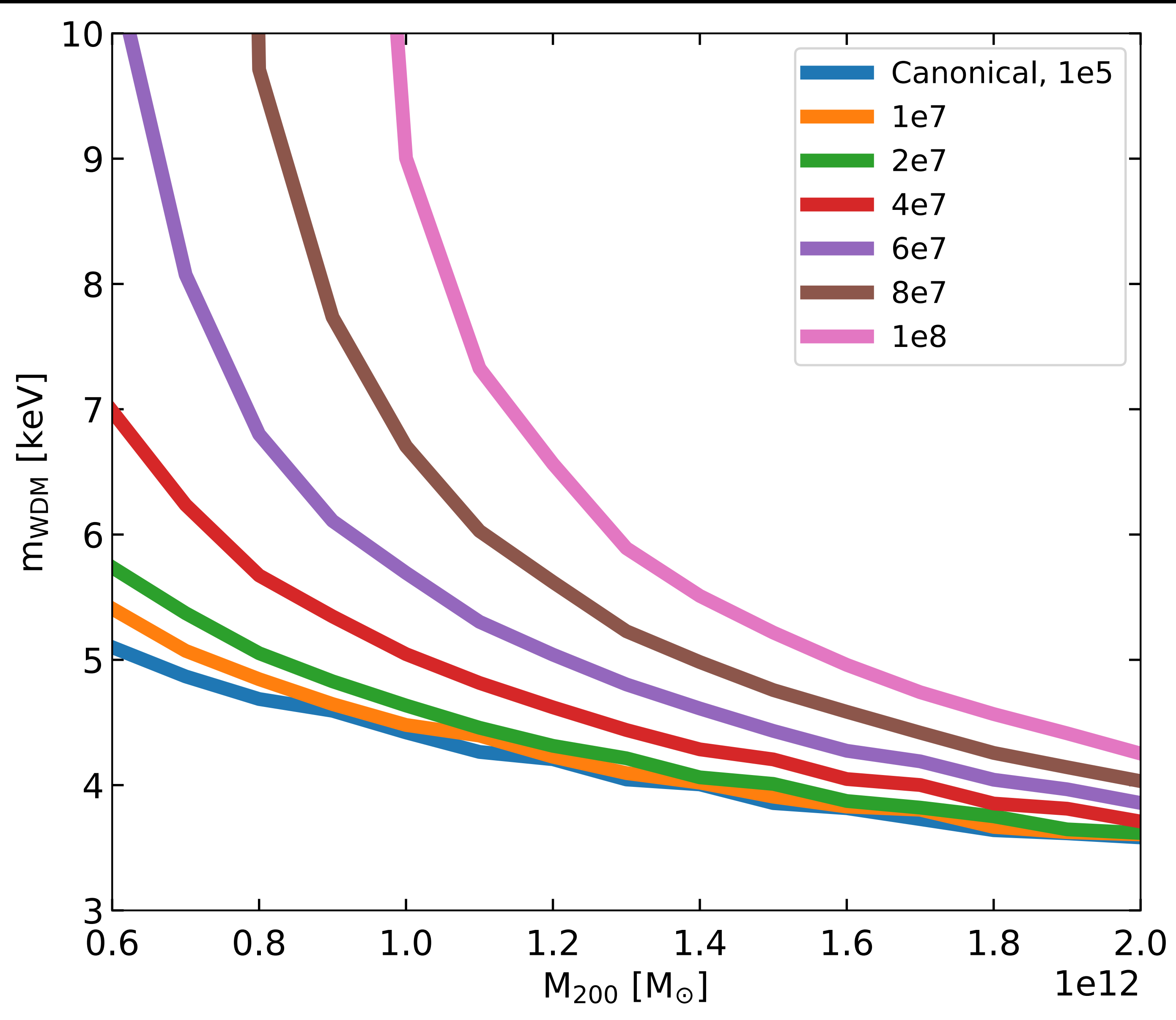
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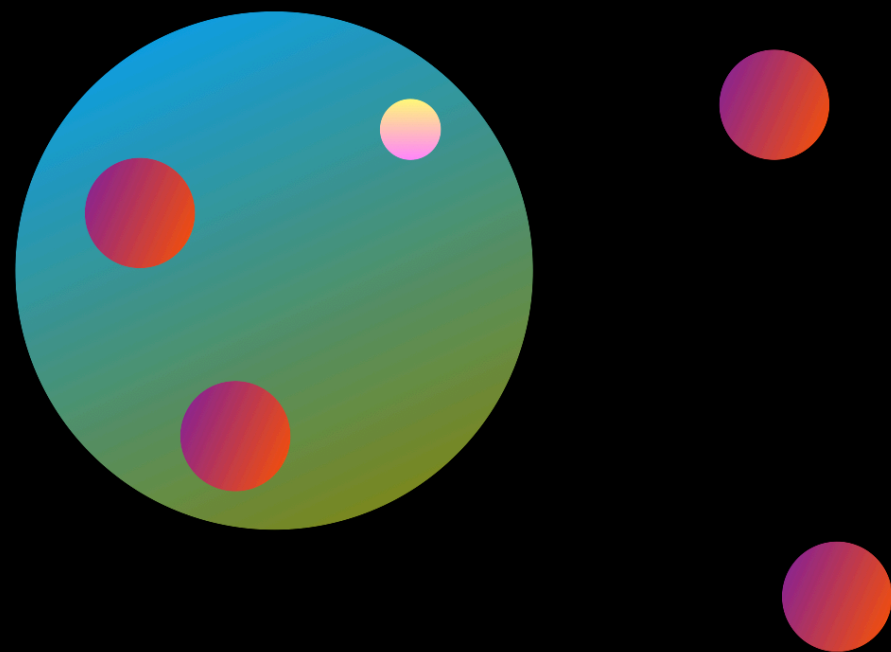
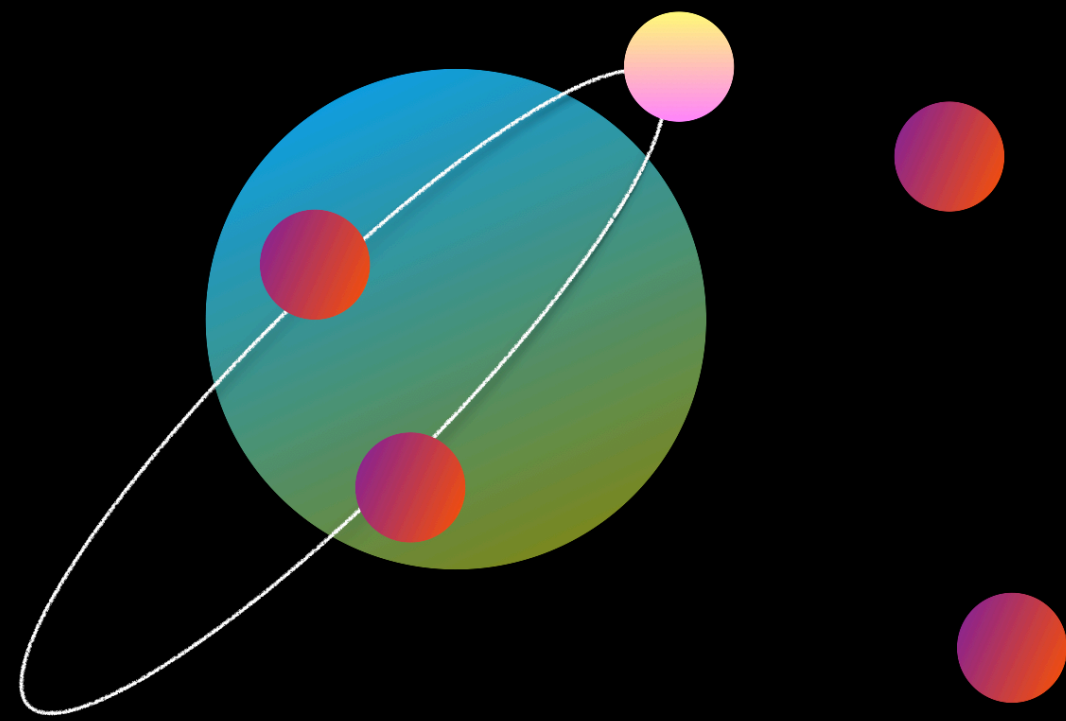




# Minimum peak mass



# Tidal stripping



- Van den Bosch et al. (2005) present analytical description for the average mass loss rate of dark matter haloes

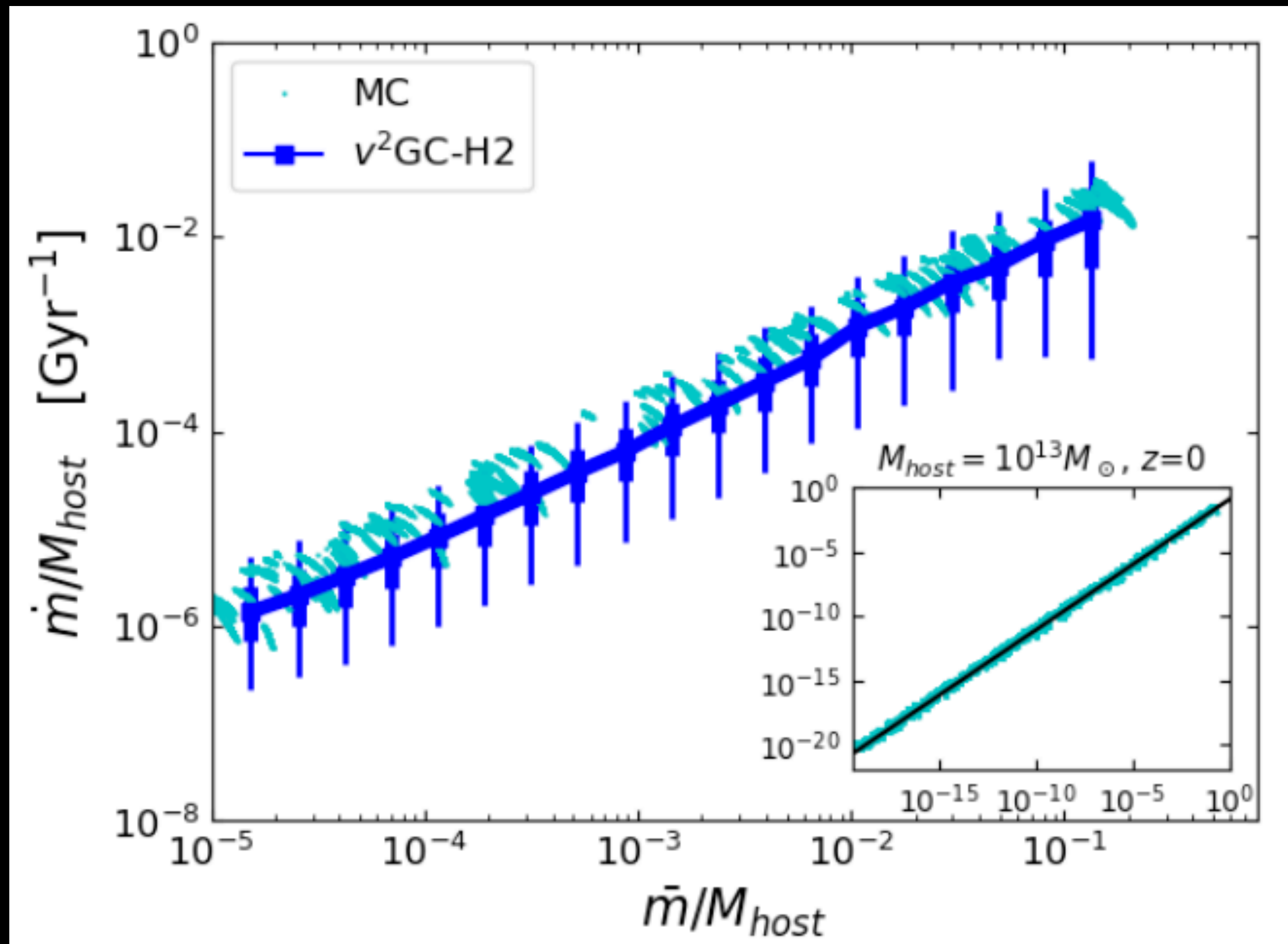
$$\frac{dm(z)}{dt} = -A \frac{m(z)}{\tau_{\text{dyn}}} \left( \frac{m}{M_{\text{host}}} \right)^{\zeta}$$

- Hiroshima et al. (2018) consider toy model for the average mass loss of a subhalo

$$\frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{m - m(r_t)}{T_r}$$



# Tidal stripping



Agreement for CDM with numerical simulations



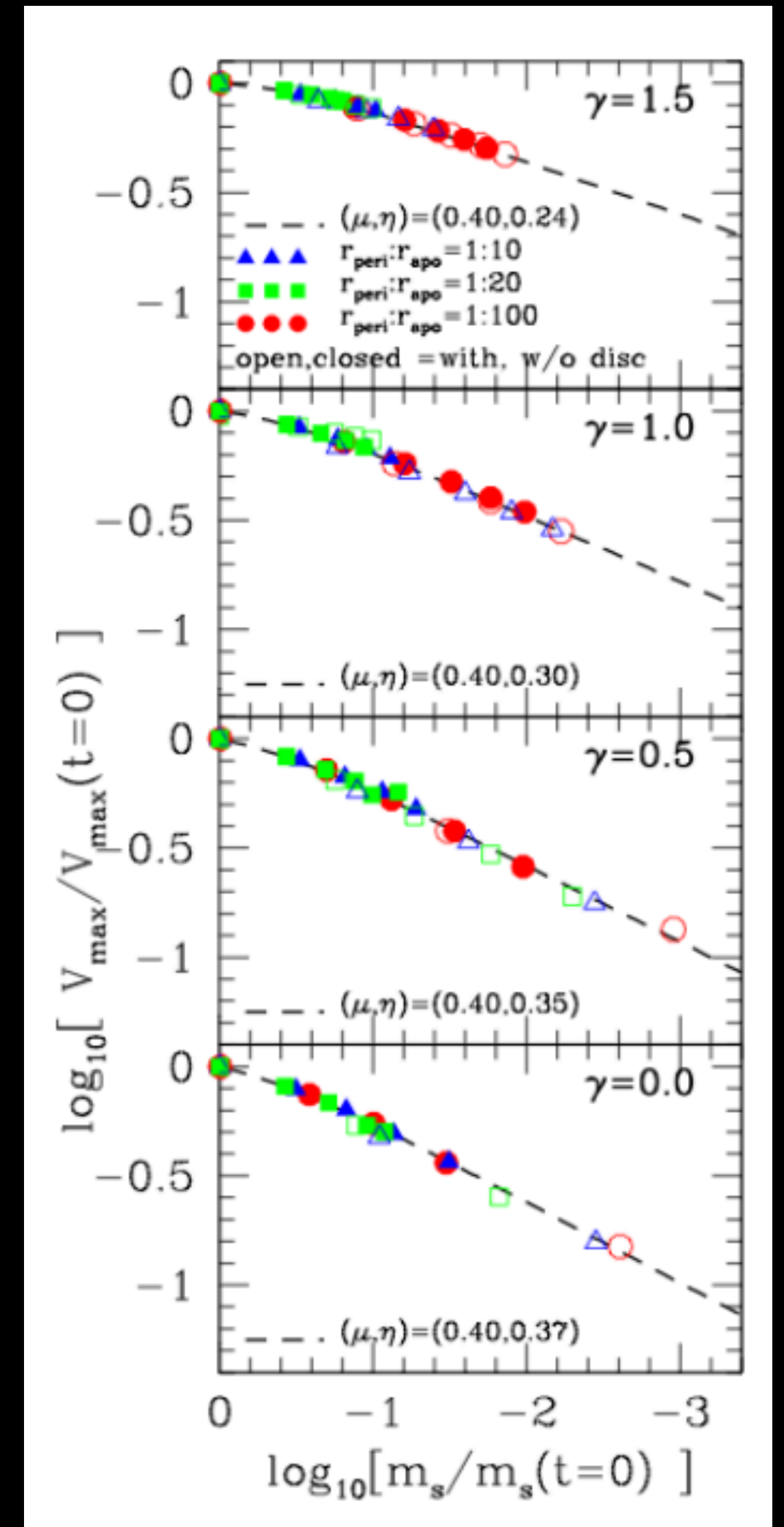
Adopt toy model to get  $(A, \zeta)$  for WDM

Hiroshima et al. (2018)

# Evolved subhalo mass function

- After tidal stripping the internal structure of a subhalo changes
- Determine  $(\rho_s, r_s, r_t)$  at accretion for given  $(c, m, z)$
- Obtain  $(\rho_s, r_s, r_t)$  after tidal stripping
- Subhalos with  $r_t < 0.77 r_s$  are completely disrupted

Evolution of  $V_{max}$  and  $r_{max}$  as a function of mass loss fraction

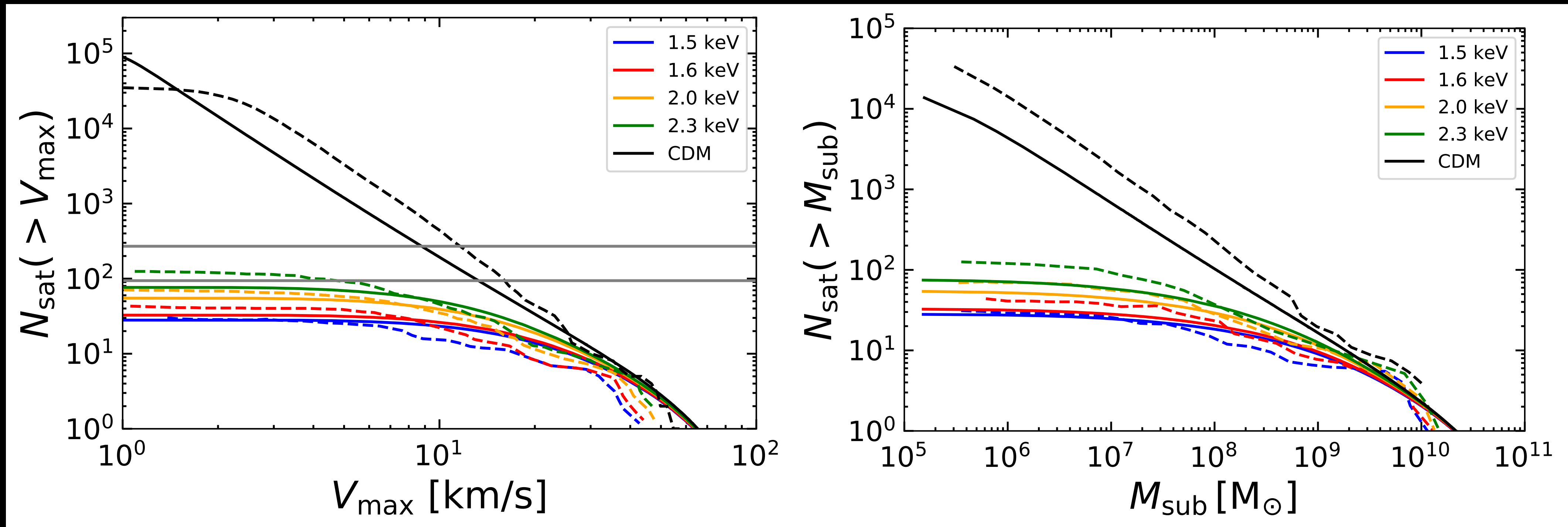


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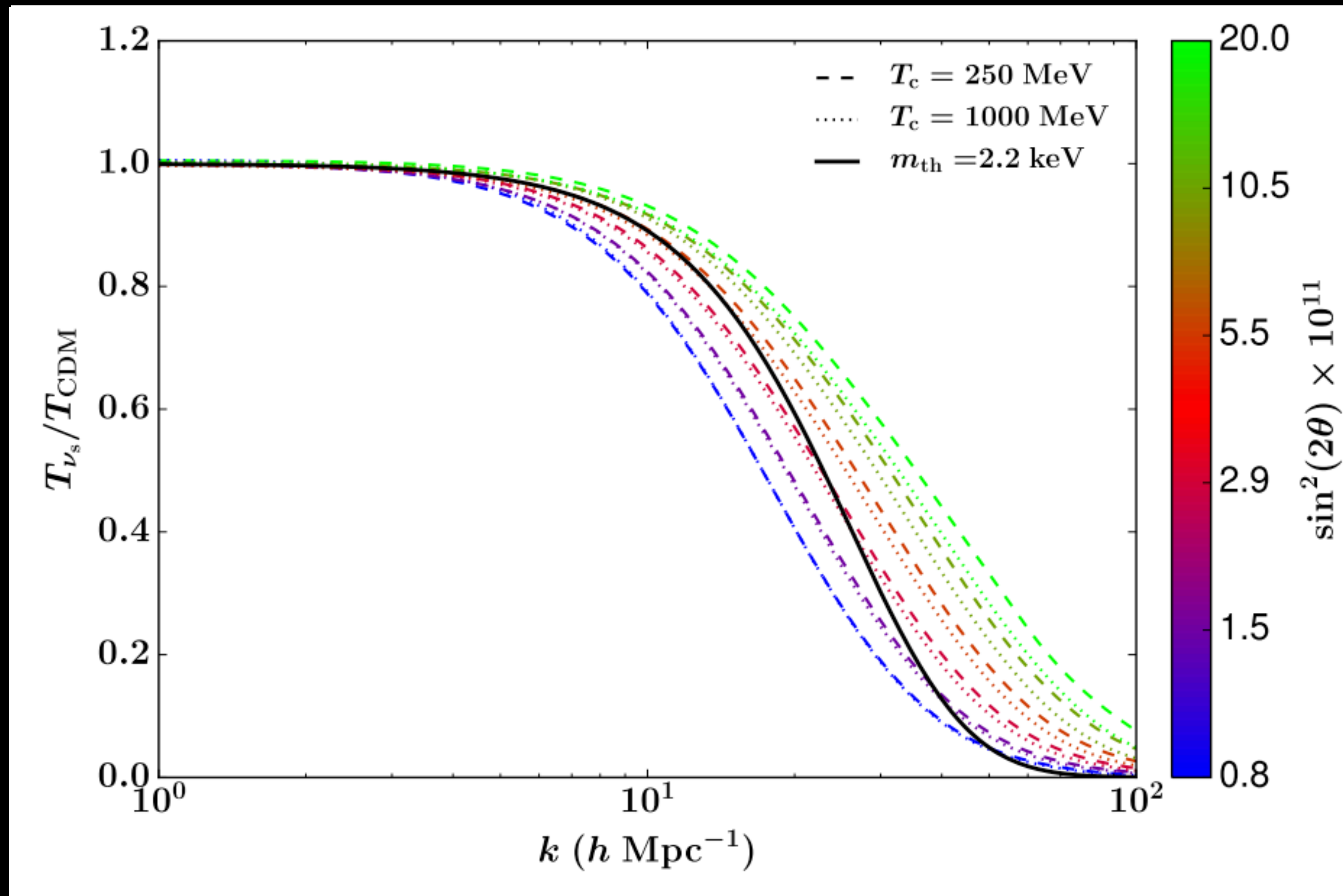
# Comparison with numerical simulation

$$M_{host} = 1.8 \times 10^{12} M_{\odot}$$



# Matter Power Spectrum

Sterile neutrino (Venumadhav et al. (2015))



- Produced through mixing  $\sin^2(2\theta)$  with neutrinos (non-thermal)
- Lepton asymmetry enhances resonant oscillations  $\nu_{e,\mu,\tau} \rightarrow \nu_s$  (Shi & Fuller 1999)



# Structure formation

Dark matter haloes are formed by perturbations in the matter density field  $\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \rho(\mathbf{x})/\bar{\rho} - 1$

Spherical collapse model:  $\delta(\mathbf{z}) > \delta_c \approx 1.686$

## Press-Schechter formalism

$\delta$  follows a random walk over  $\mathbf{x}$

Positions that cross  $\delta_c$  form a halo

$N_r$  density of haloes with mass  $M = N_r$   
density of peaks above  $\delta_c$  smoothed  
over  $M$



# Structure formation

## Extended Press-Schechter formalism

$\delta$  follows a random walk in  $(S, \delta_S)$ -space for fixed  $x$

Each trajectory starts at (0,0): Largest possible halo mass

Obtain the fraction of mass inside a halo of mass  $M$  at redshift  $z$

