## **Simulating Collisional Dark Matter**

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#### **Collisional and Collisionless Dark Matter**



# **The Boltzmann Equation**



$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{r}} f + F \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{p}} = C[f]$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\vec{p}}{m} \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{r}} f + F \cdot \vec{\nabla}_{\vec{p}} = 0$$

# **Solving Boltzmann Equation**



#### **Lattice-Bolztmann and Automatas**





#### **Overview of the Algorithm**



#### **Some Equations**

$$\rho(x, v, t) = \sum_{V_{min}}^{V_{max}} f(x, v, t) \Delta v \qquad \nabla^2 \Phi(x) = 4\pi G \rho(x)$$
$$a(x) = -\frac{\mathrm{d}\Phi(x)}{\mathrm{d}x}$$

 $v_{n+1} = v_n + \lfloor a_n \ \delta t \rceil \qquad \qquad x_{n+1} = x_n + \lfloor v_n \ \delta t \rceil$ 

## **Streaming Step**



# **Collisional Term: the BGK Approximation**

$$C[f] = -\frac{1}{\tau}(f - f_{eq})$$

$$f(x + v\delta t, v, t + \delta t) - f(x, v, t) = -\frac{\delta t}{\tau} [f(x, v, t) - f_{eq}(x, v, t)]$$

# **Equilibrium Distribution**

$$\rho(x,v,t) = \sum_{V_{min}}^{V_{max}} f(x,v,t)\Delta v$$

$$\rho(x,t)u(x,t) = \sum_{V_{min}}^{V_{max}} vf(x,v,t)\Delta v$$

$$\rho(x,t)e(x,t) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{V_{min}}^{V_{max}} [v - u(x,t)]^2 f(x,v,t)\Delta v$$

$$f_{eq}(x,v,t) = \frac{\rho(x,t)}{m\sqrt{2\pi e(x,t)}} \exp\left[-\frac{[v - u(x,t)]^2}{2e(x,t)}\right]$$

## **Initial Conditions**



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#### **Density and Potential**



## **Collisionless examples**



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#### **Gaussian distribution**



#### **Results on phase-space**



## **Results on Density**



#### **Results on Potential**



## Jeans instability





$$f(x, v, 0) = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{v^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)\left(1 + A\cos(kx)\right)$$

#### **Relating Tau with the cross-section**

# $dim (\tau) = time \quad dim (\lambda) = length$

$$\left[\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{\lambda^3}\right]^{-1} \propto \tau \quad \lambda = \alpha [n \ d]^{-1}$$



#### It is possible to simulate the phase space of a dark matter fluid, whether it is collisional or not.

The toy models implemented suggests a relaxation time (Tau) with the same magnitude order as the age of the universe. Implying a very small collisional nature.