

# A dark disc in the Milky Way

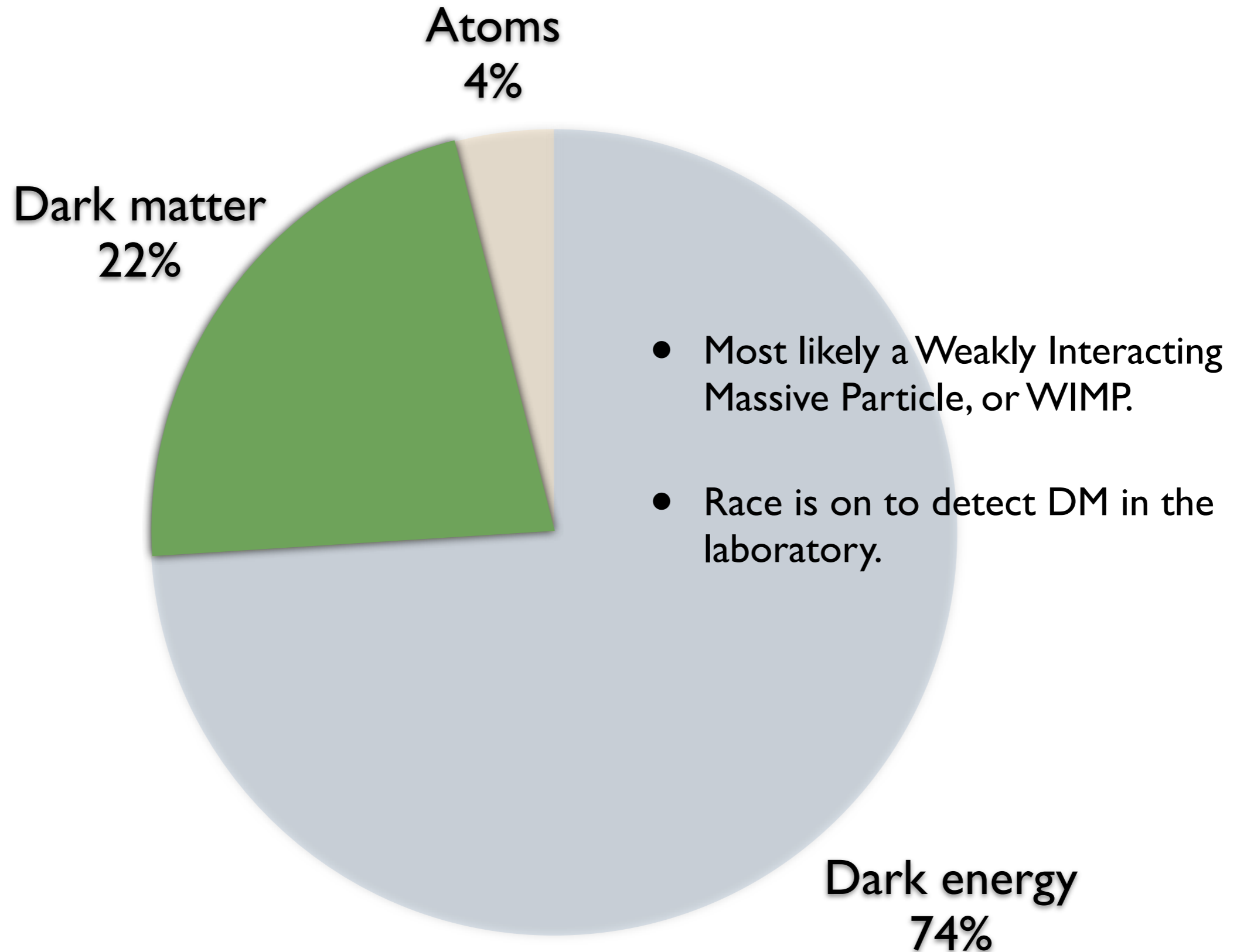
Cold Dark Matter by Cornelia Parker

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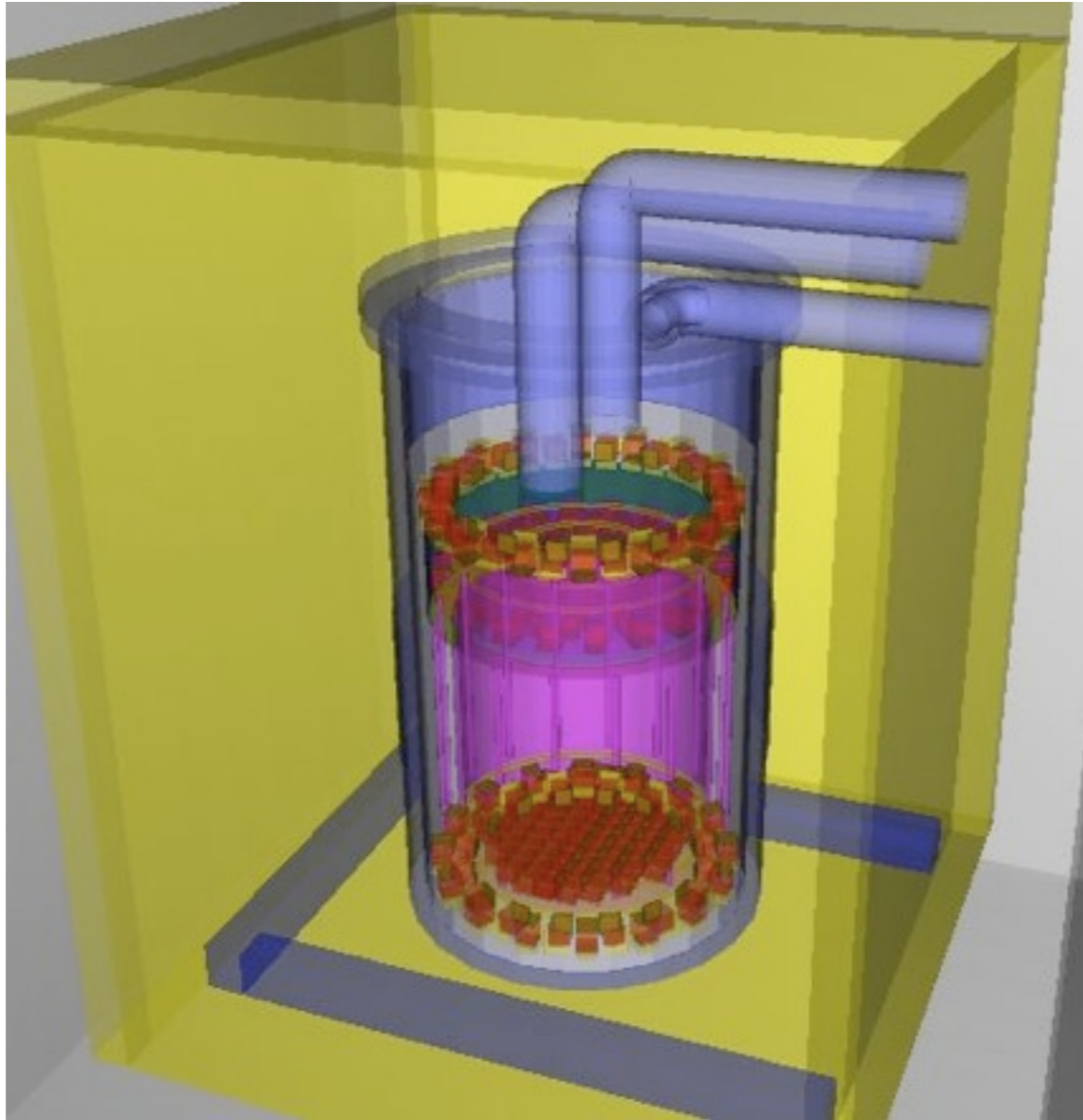
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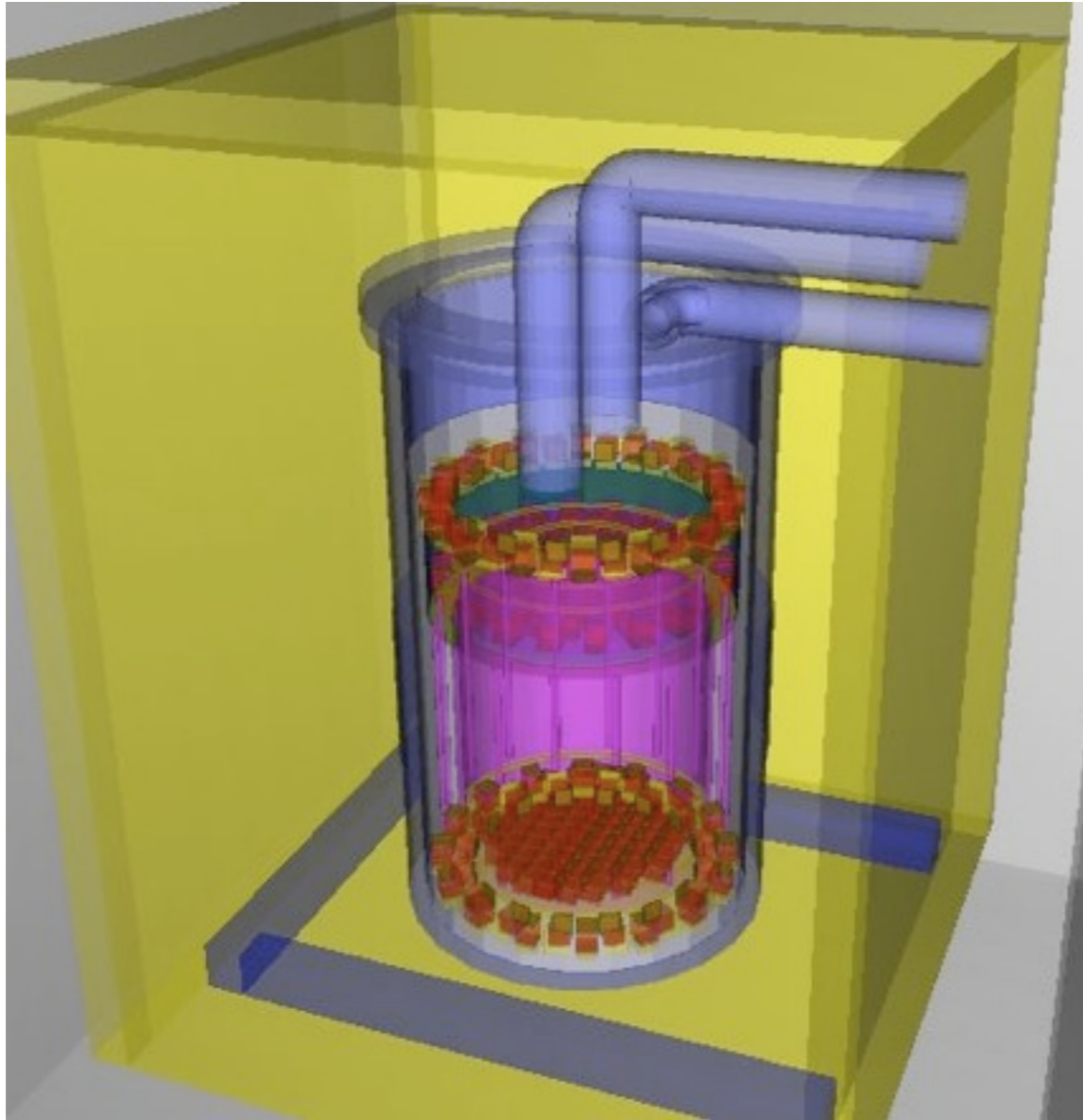


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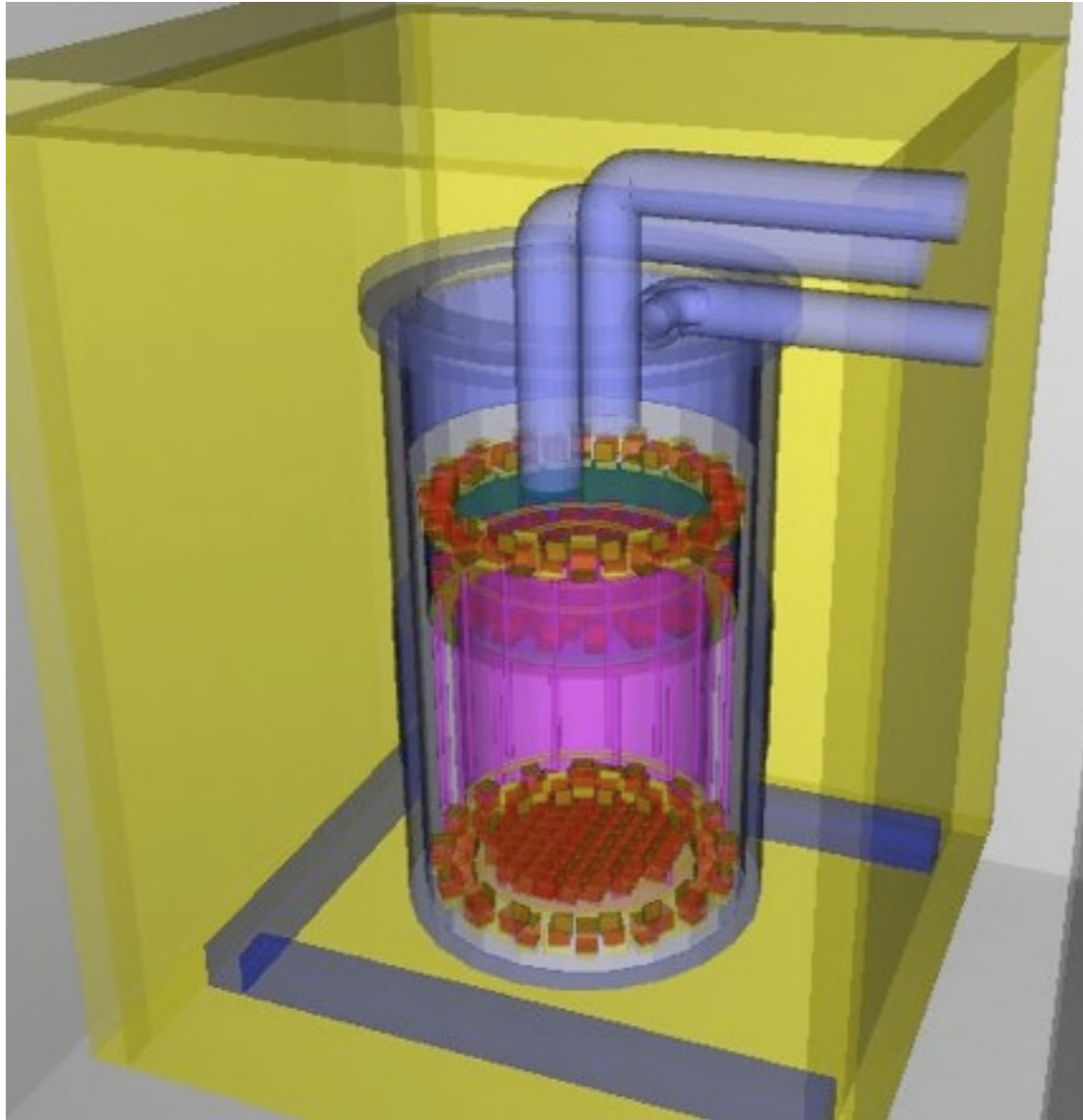


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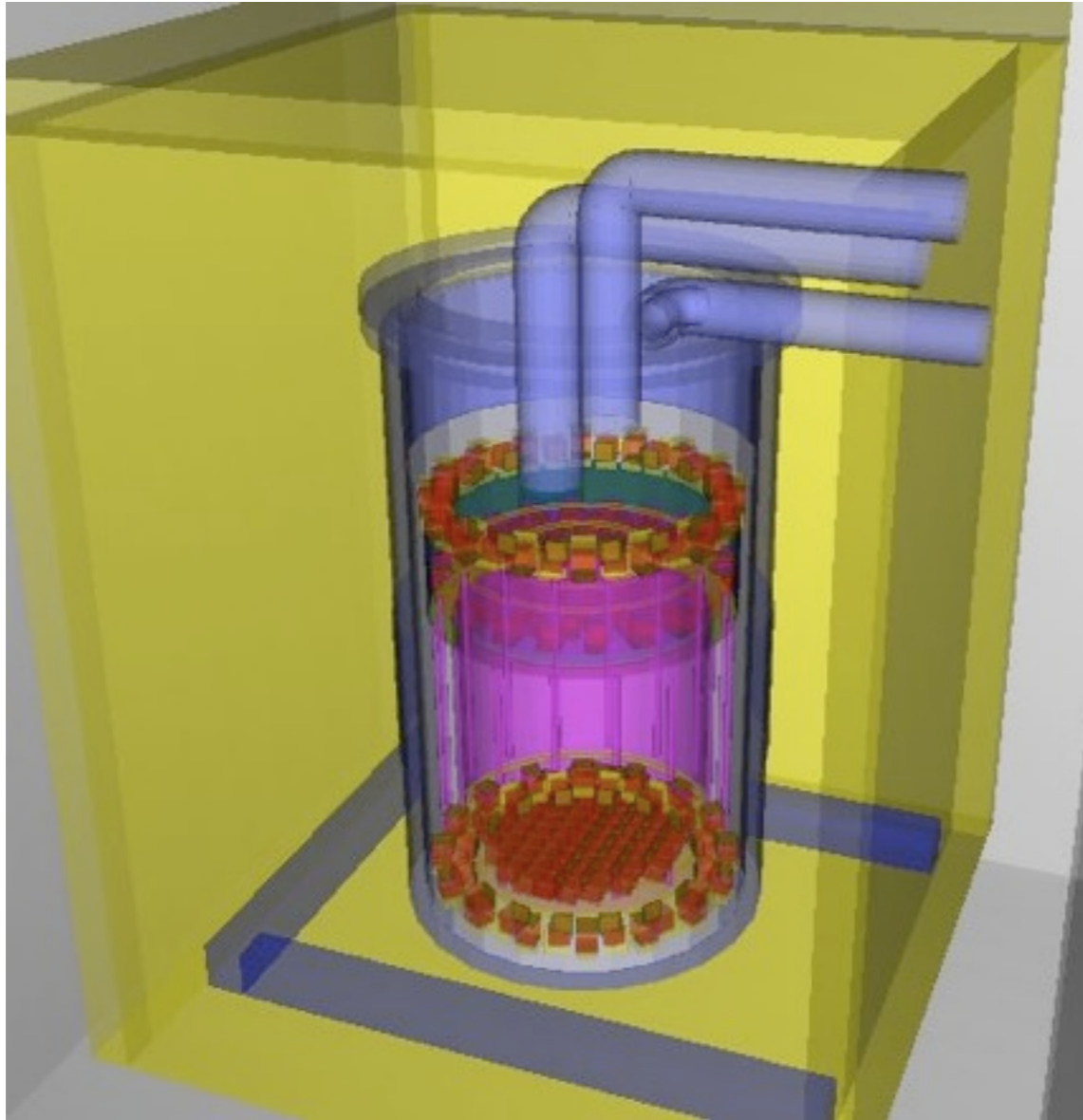
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**Silvia Garbari**, Read & Lake 2010; in prep.  
& see *Conf. Proc. arXiv:1001.1038*

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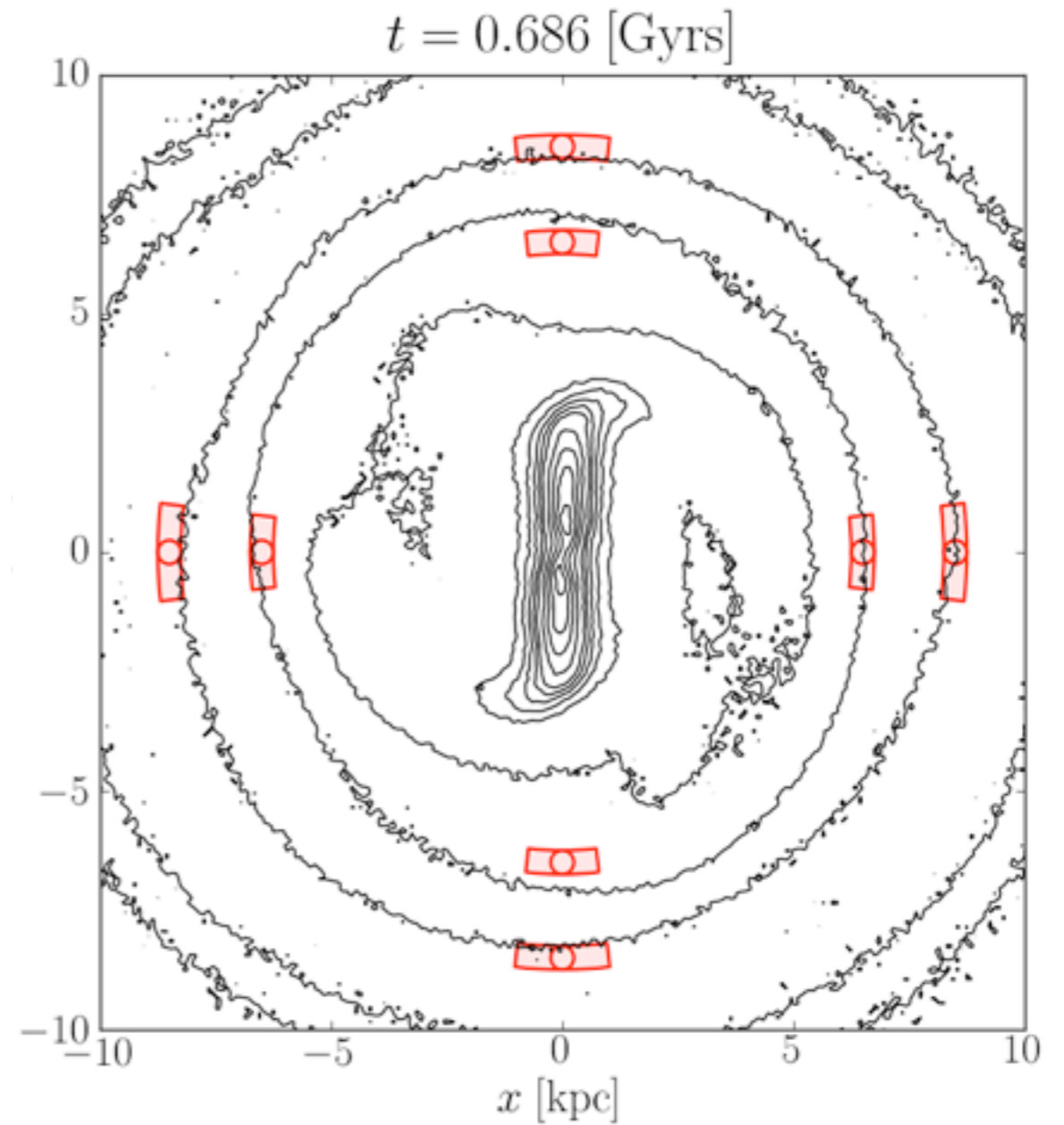
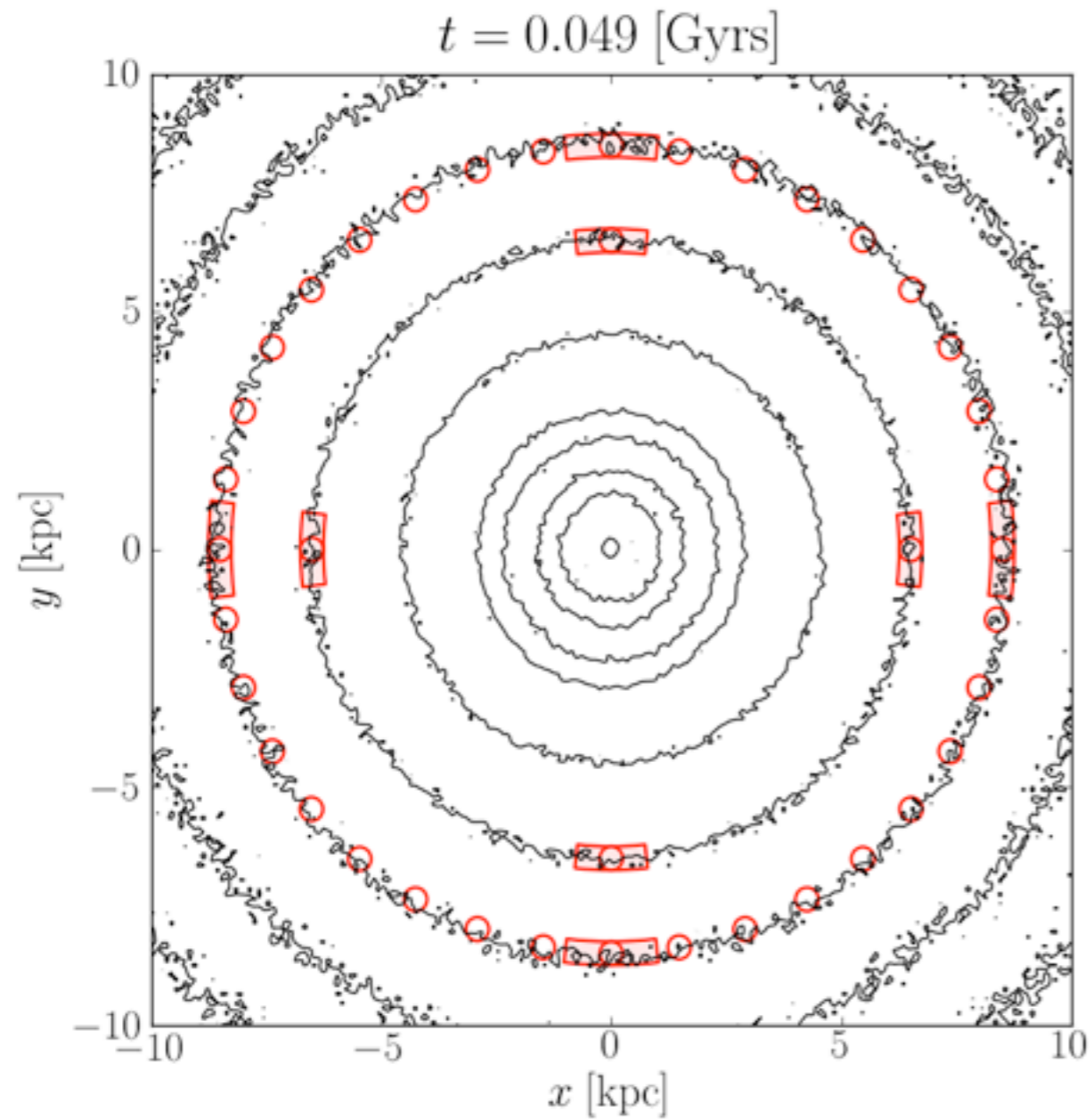
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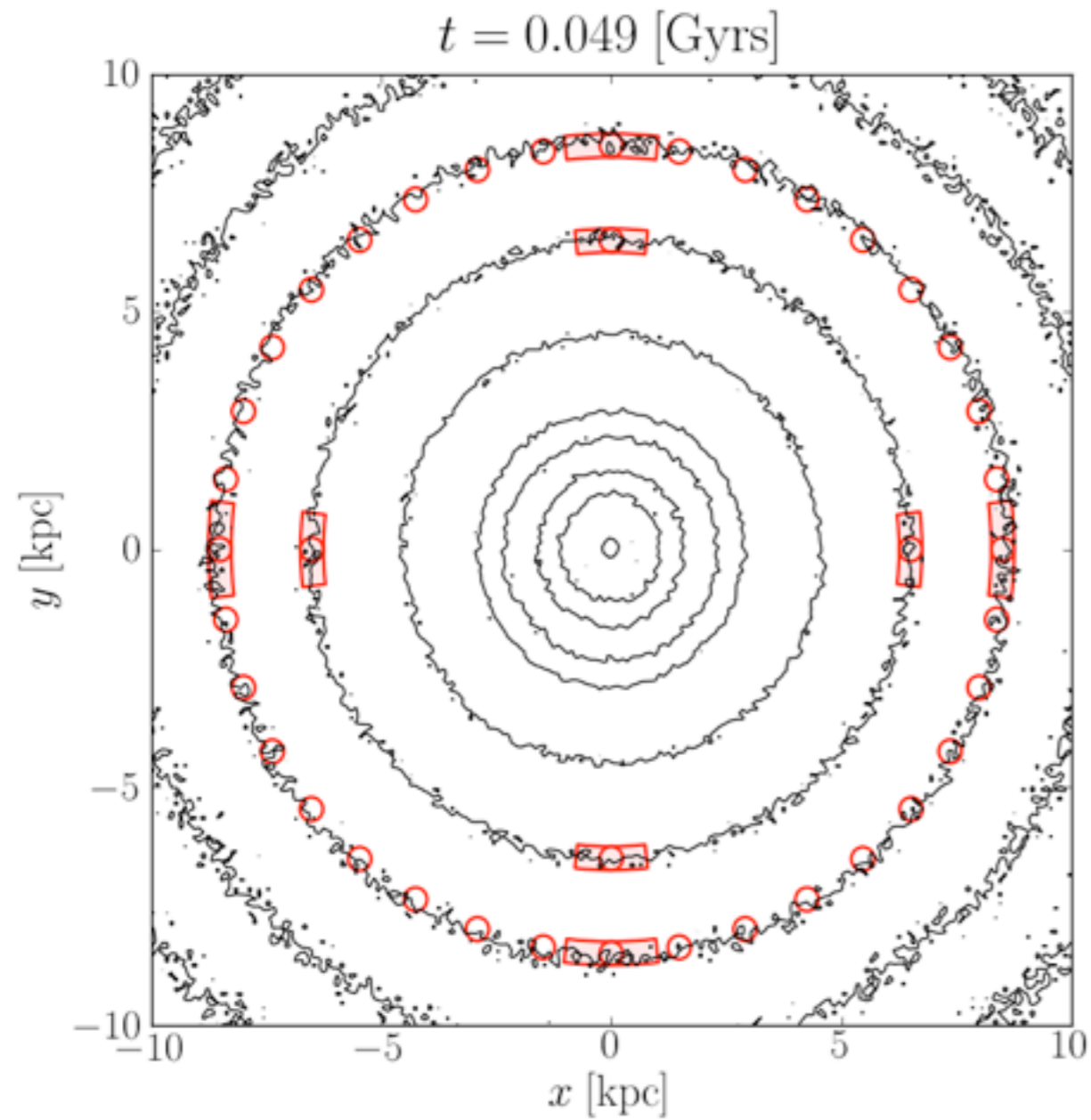
... & use MCMC

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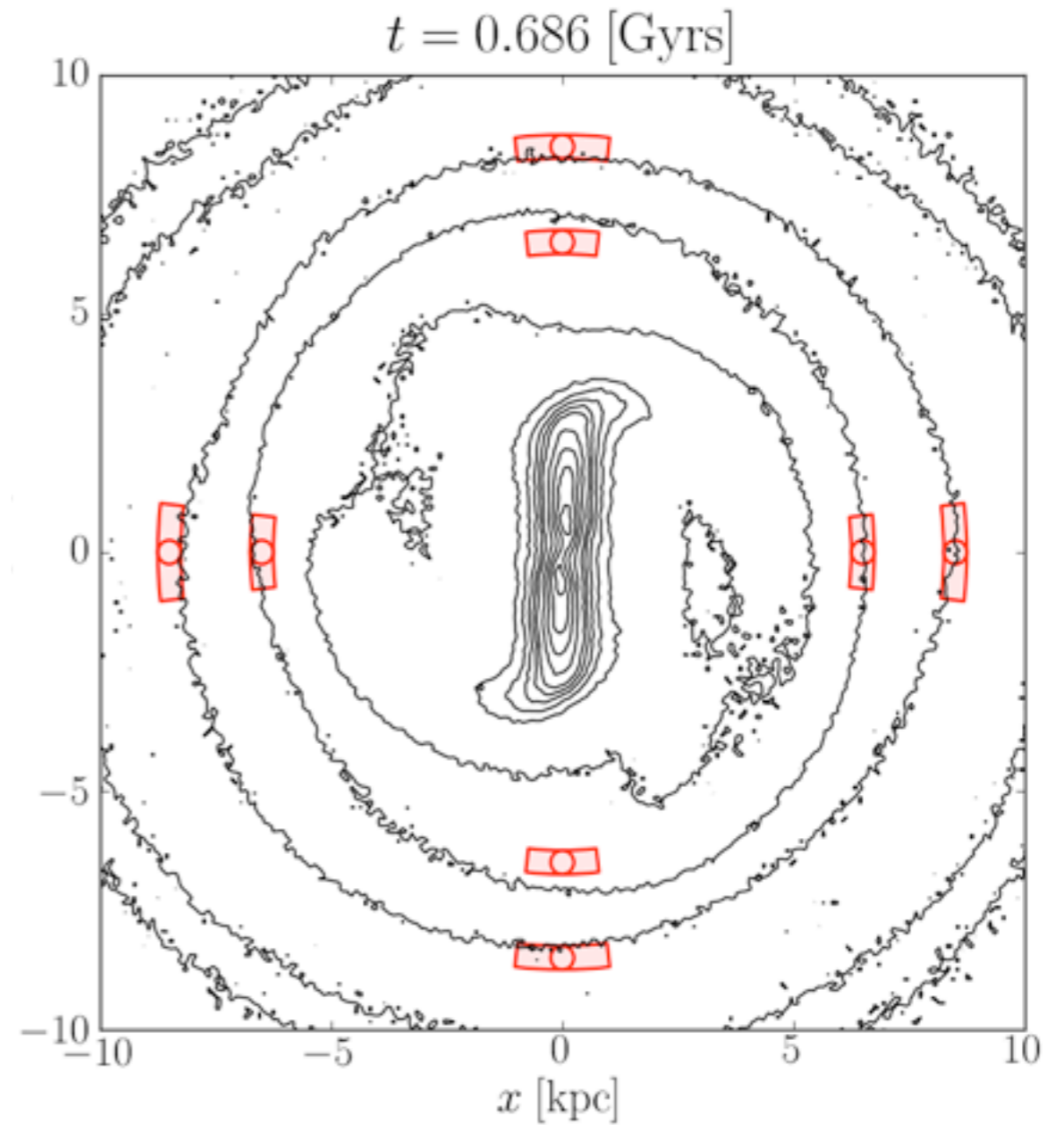


	$N$ [ $10^6$ ]	$M$ [ $10^{10} M_{\odot}$ ]	$\varepsilon$ [kpc]	$r_{1/2}$ [kpc]	$z_{1/2}$ [kpc]
Disc	30	5.30	0.015	4.99	0.17
Halo	15	45.40	0.045	-	-
Bulge	0.5	0.83	0.012	-	-

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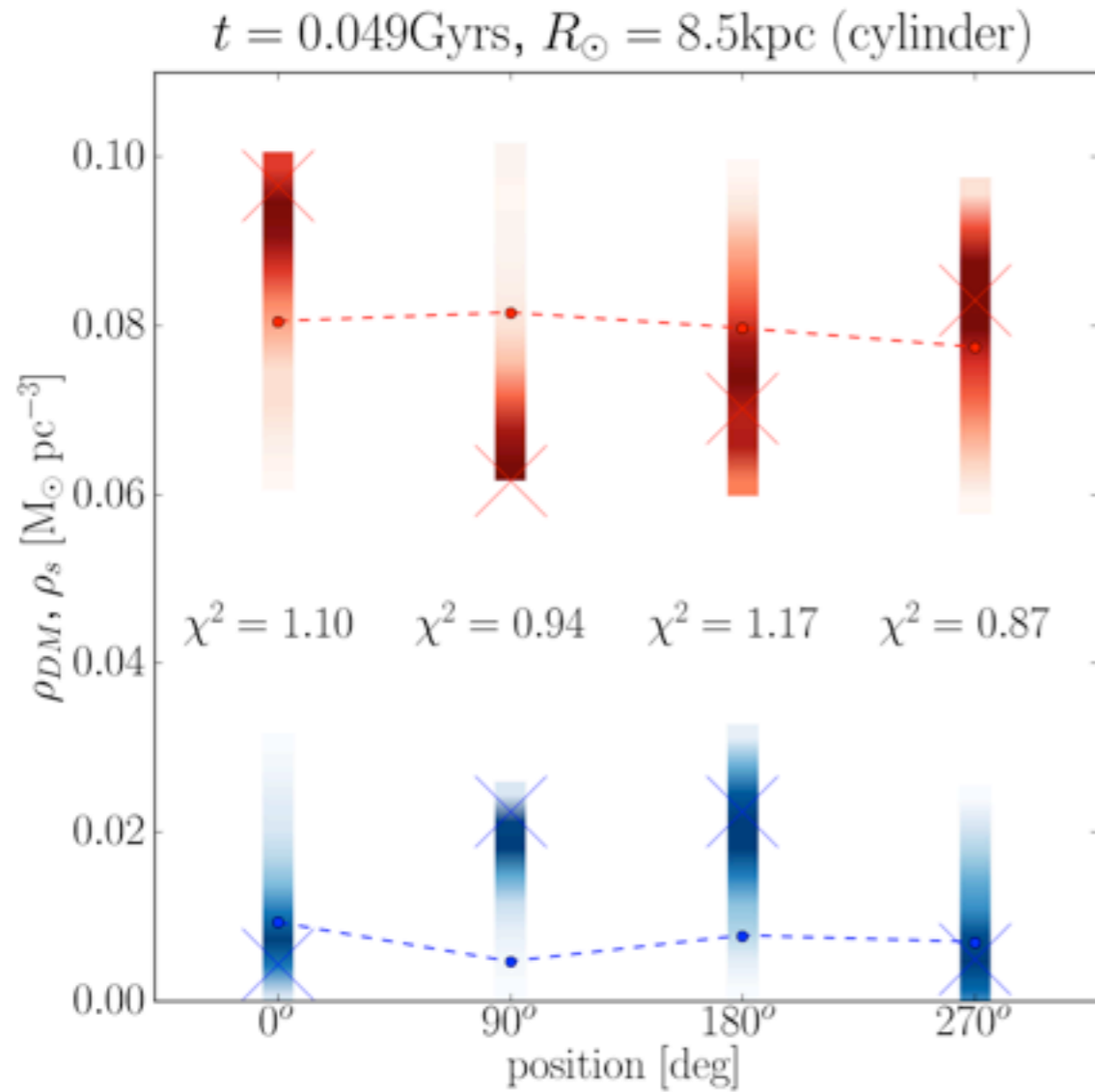


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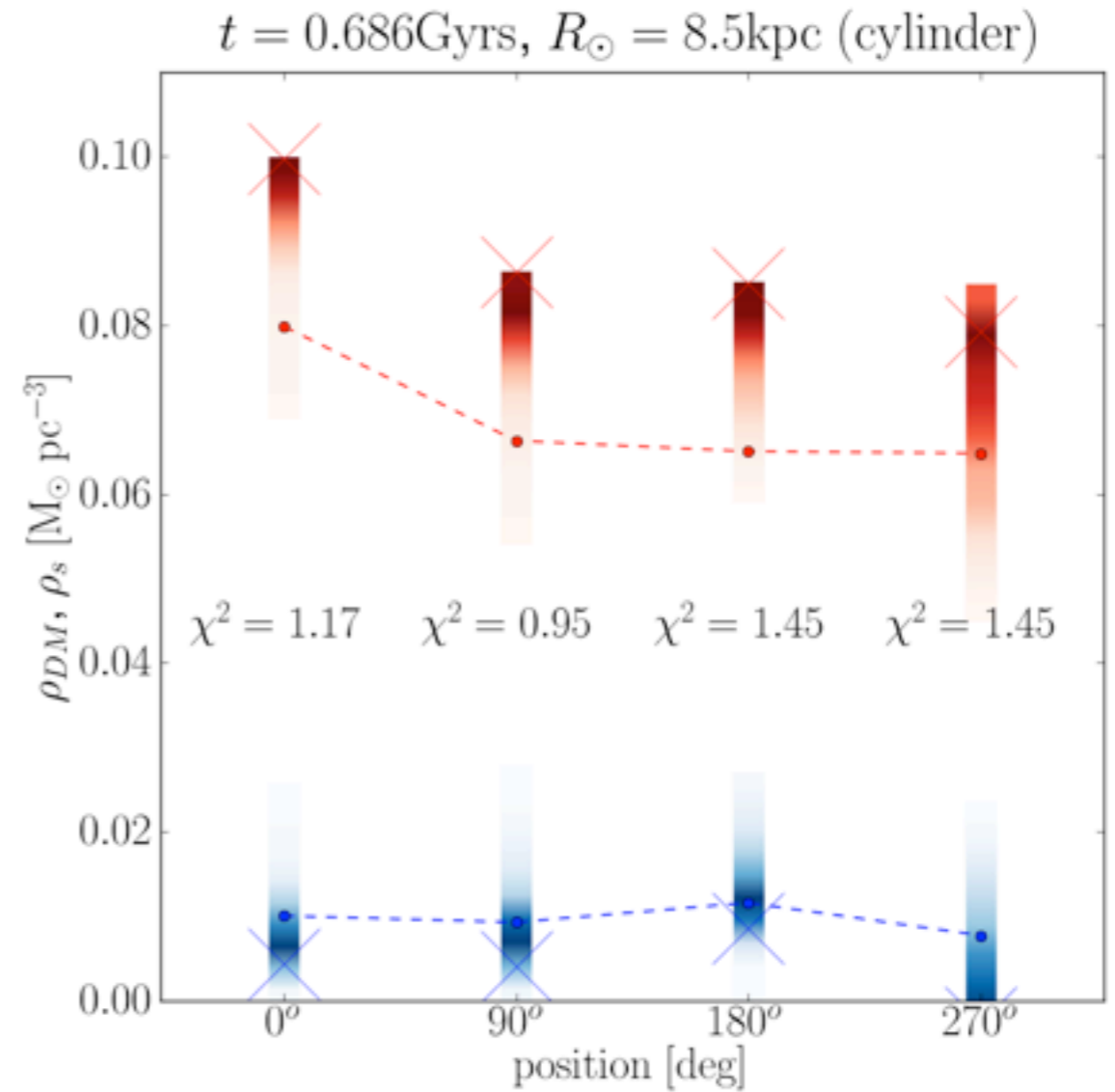


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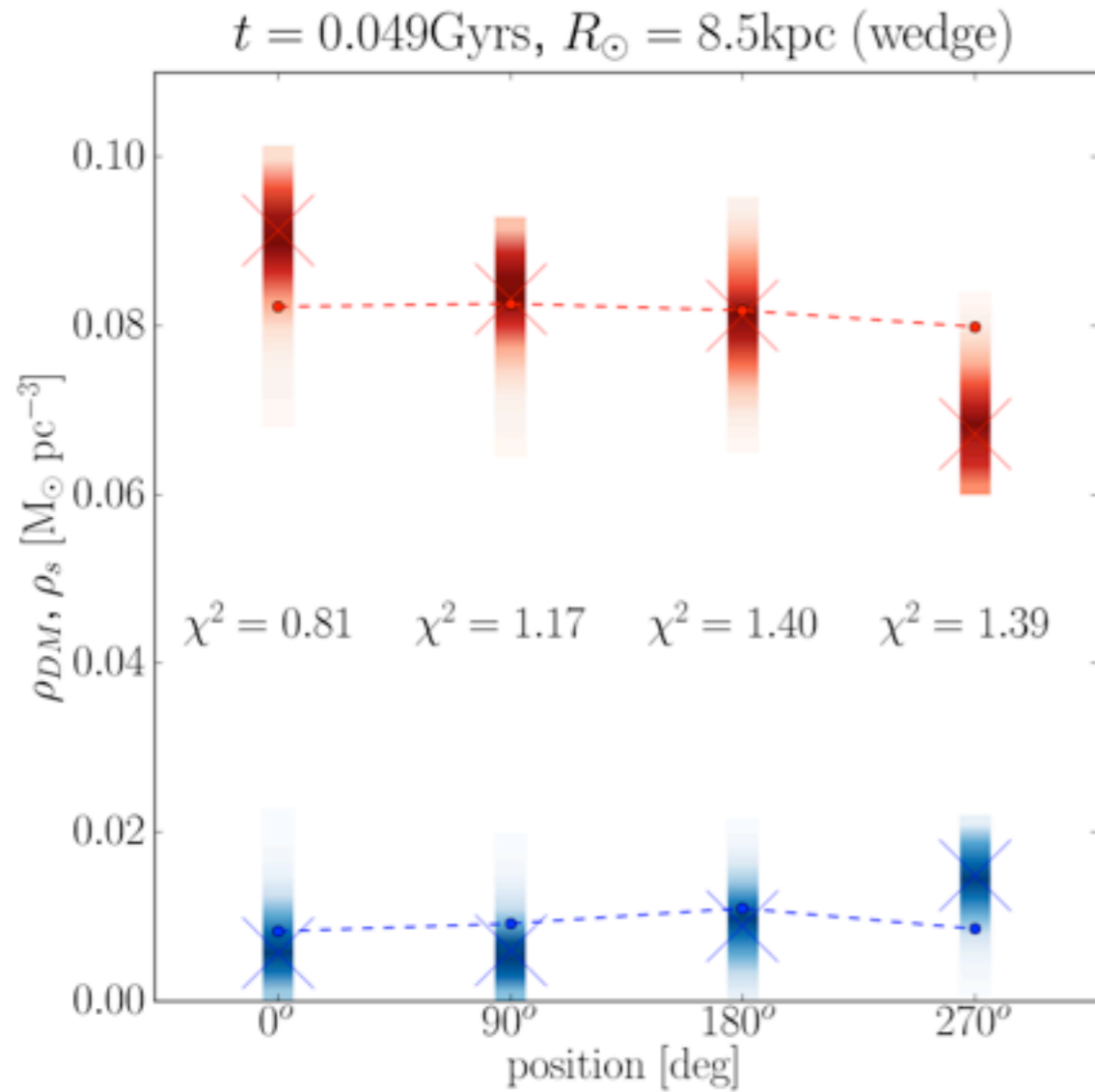


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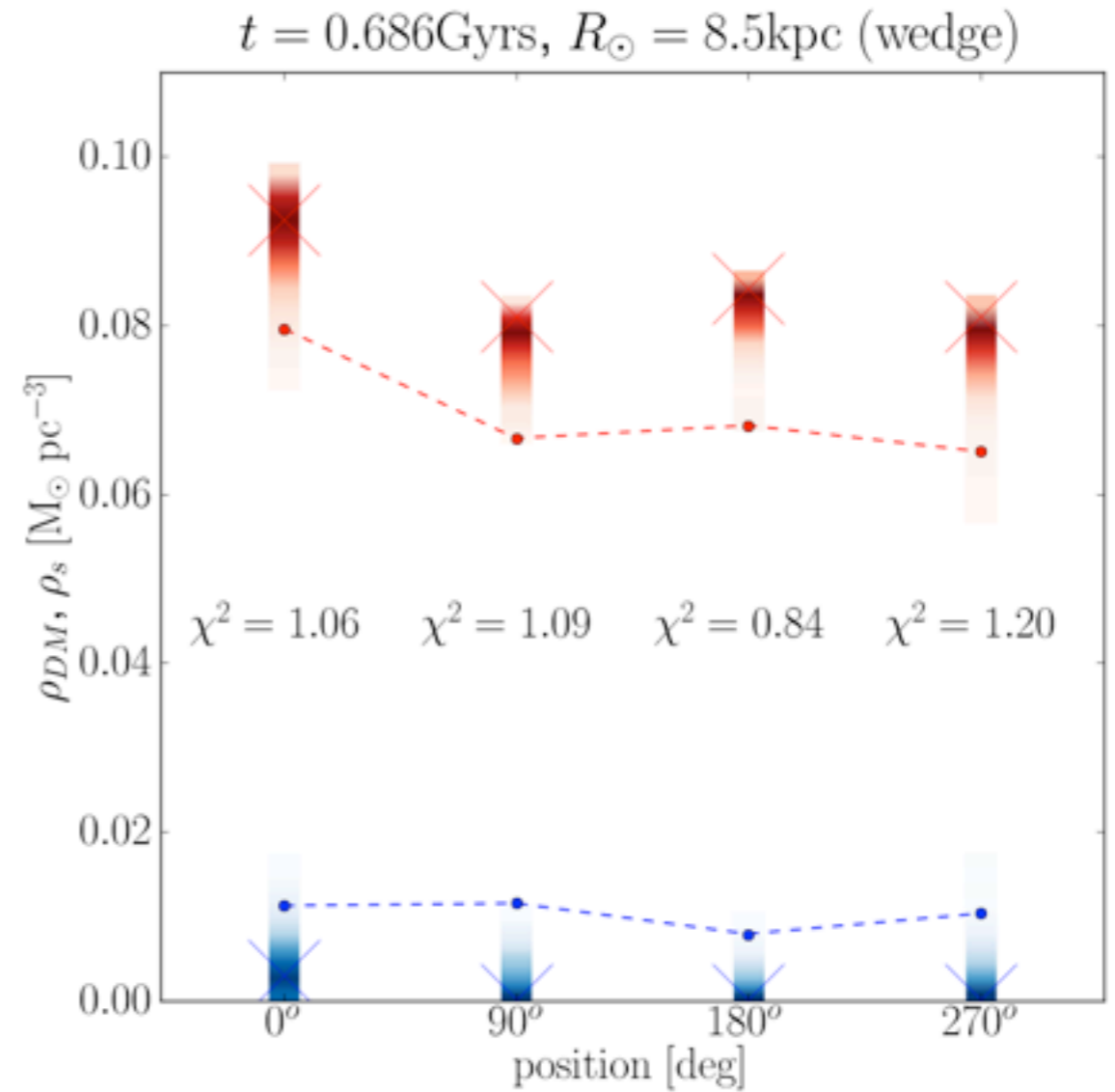


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# Measuring $\rho_{\text{dm}}$ local | Application to real data

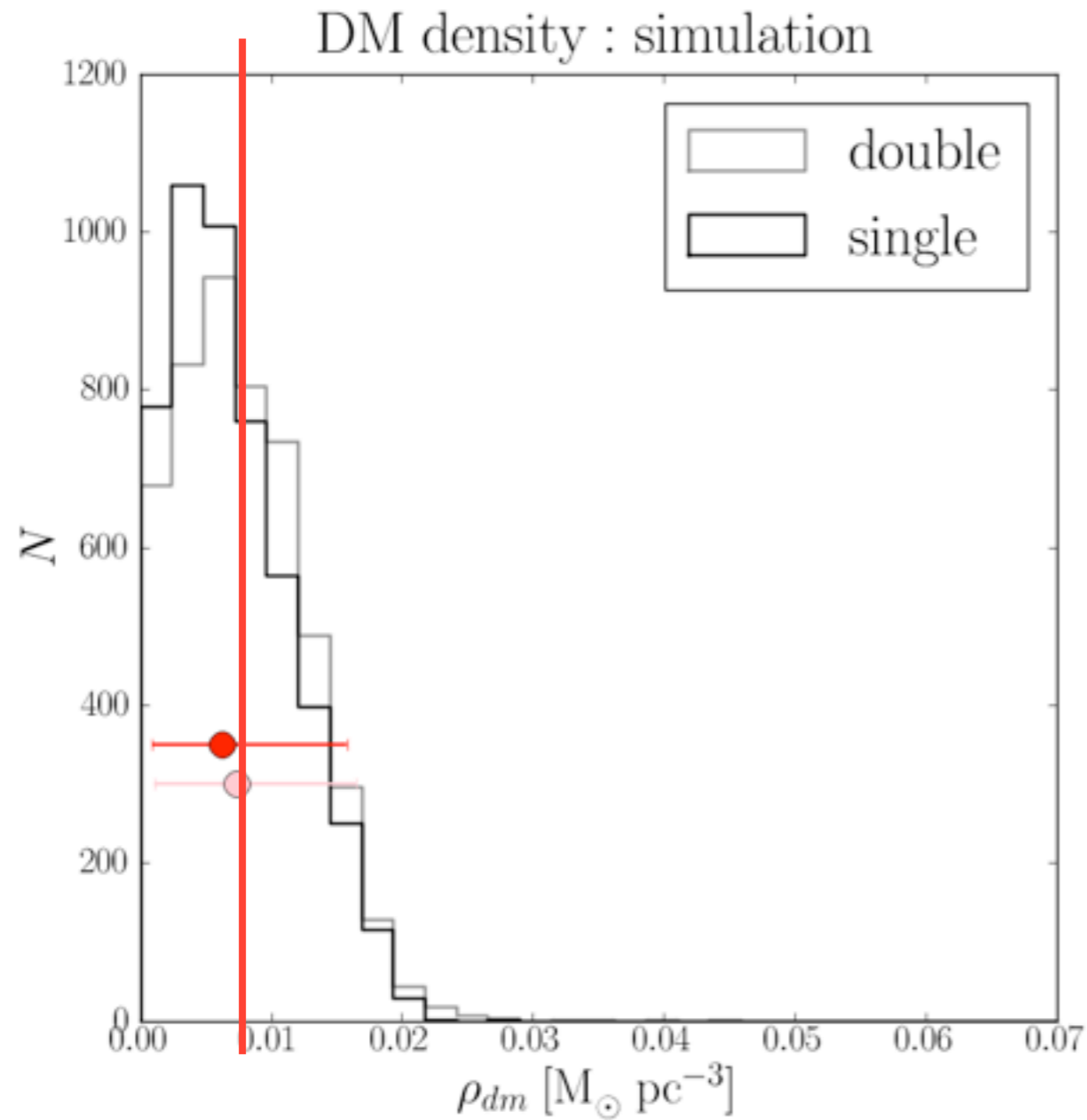
## Additional complications ...

- Tracers are magnitude limited, not volume limited
- Velocity distribution comes from same star **type** as tracer density distribution; but not same stars
- Multiple mass components in the disc
- Measurement errors

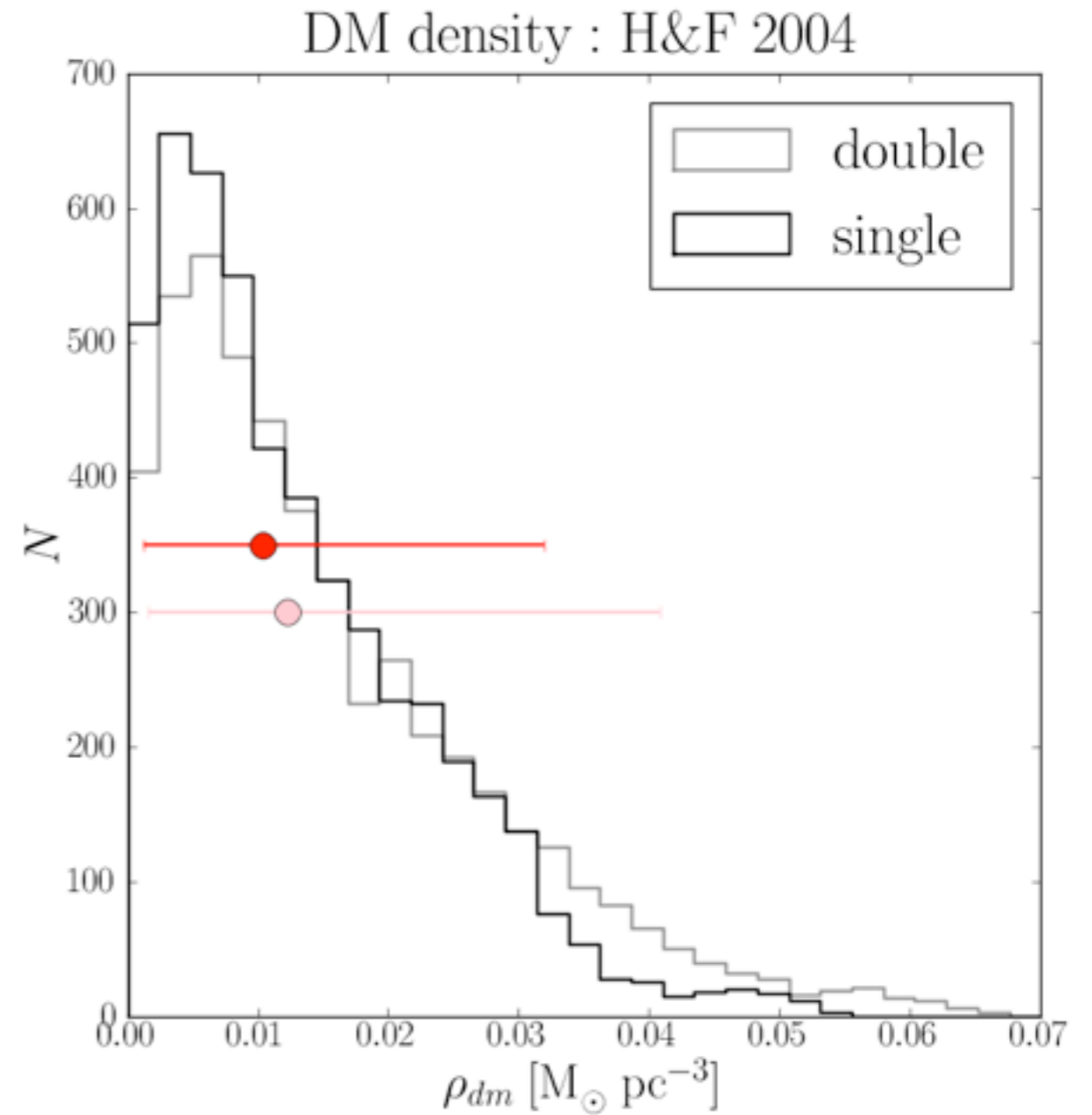
=> Marginalise over all of these in the MCMC!

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**PRELIMINARY!!** Results ...



simulation



real data



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Isotropic Gaussian in the Galactic frame:

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## Dynamical friction plane dragging

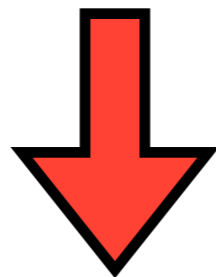
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## Measuring $f_{\text{dm}}(\mathbf{v})$ | A simulator's wish list

- Resolve star formation in molecular clouds ( $\sim 10\text{pc}$ )
- Full cosmological box to  $z=0$  ( $\sim 50\text{Mpc}$ )
- Cooling physics & non-equilibrium chemistry
- Feedback from supernovae & ionising radiation



$\Rightarrow$  Spatial dynamic range of  $5 \times 10^6$

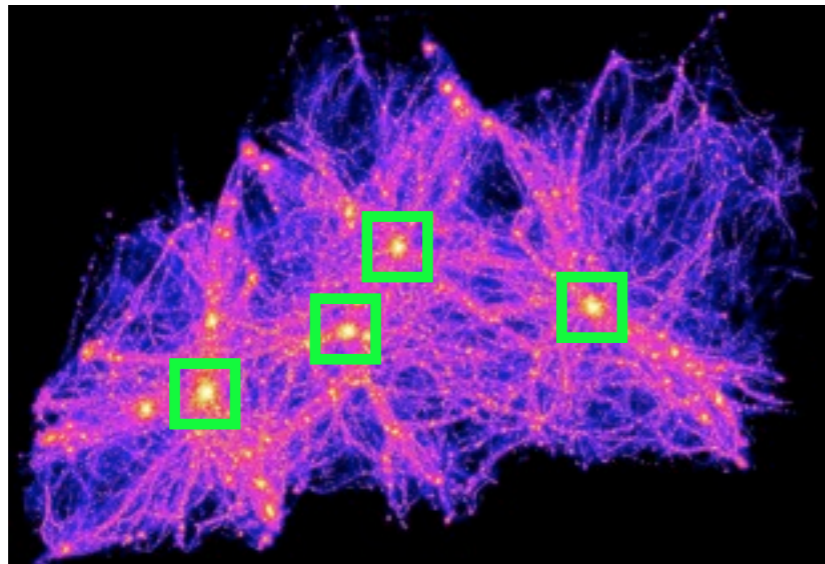
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$\Rightarrow$   $O(10^9)$  particles

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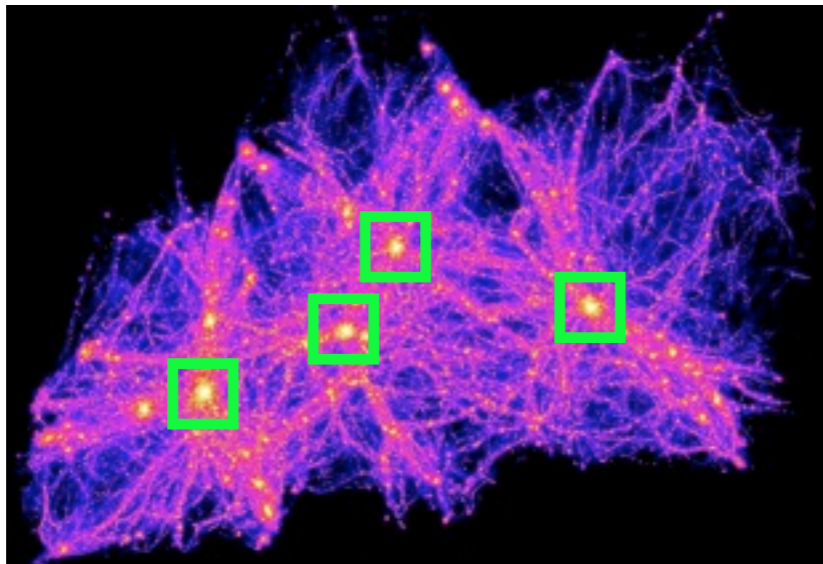


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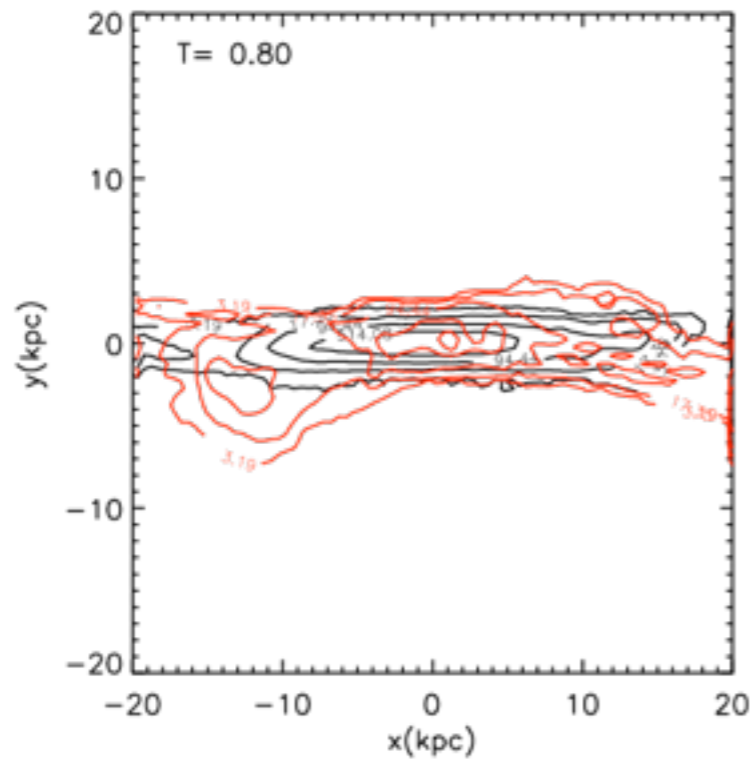
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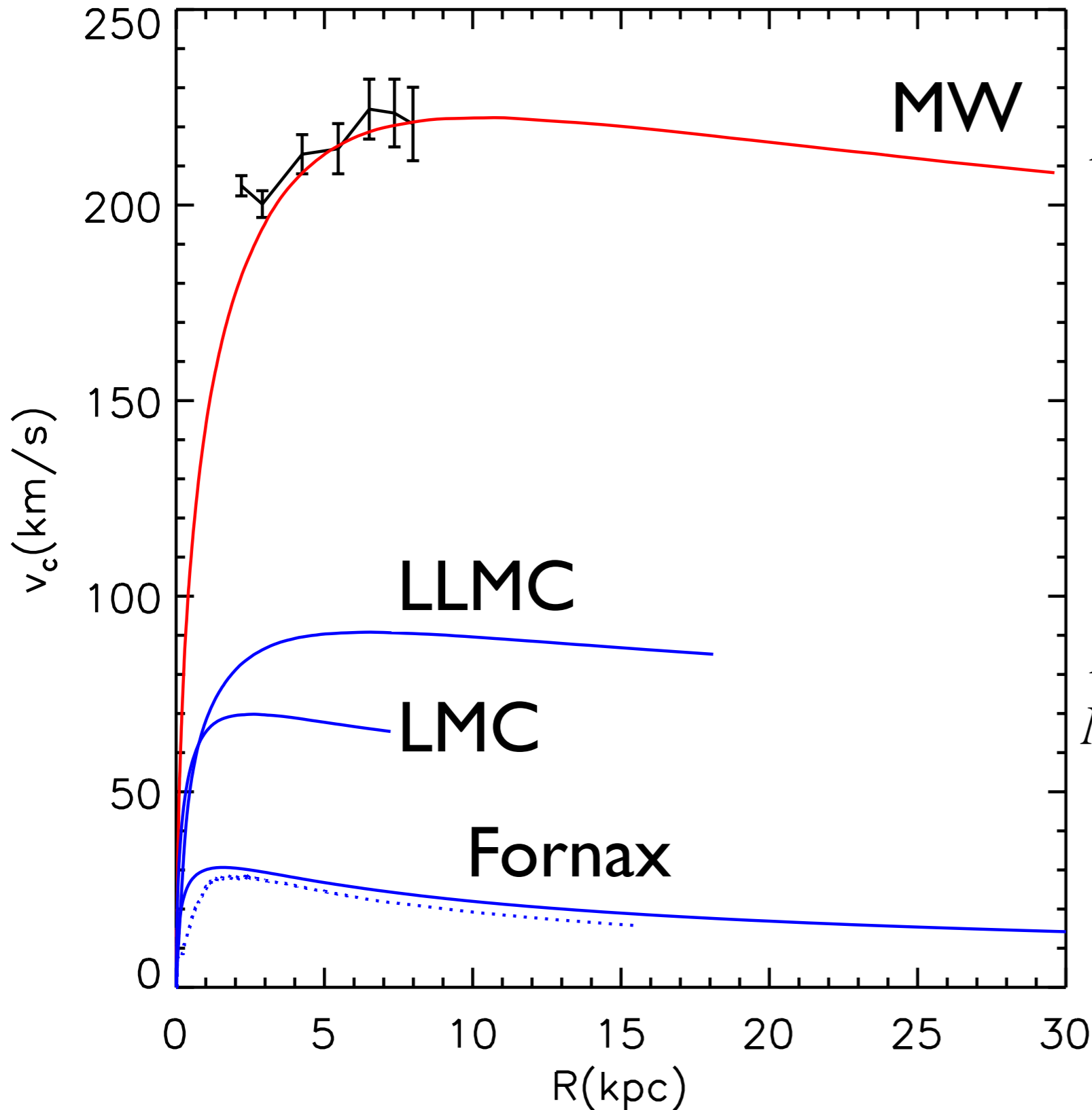
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Effect of dissipationless  
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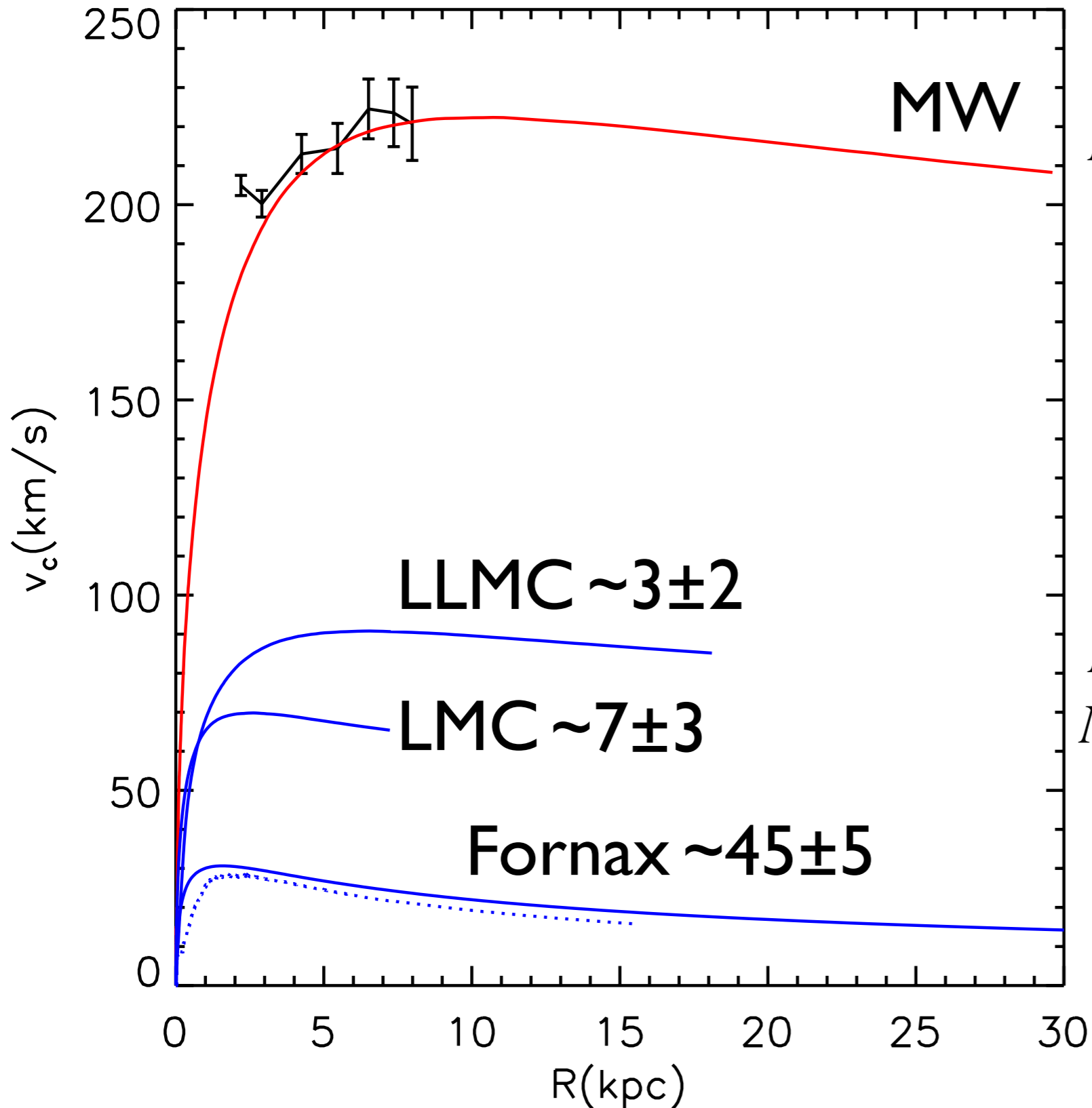
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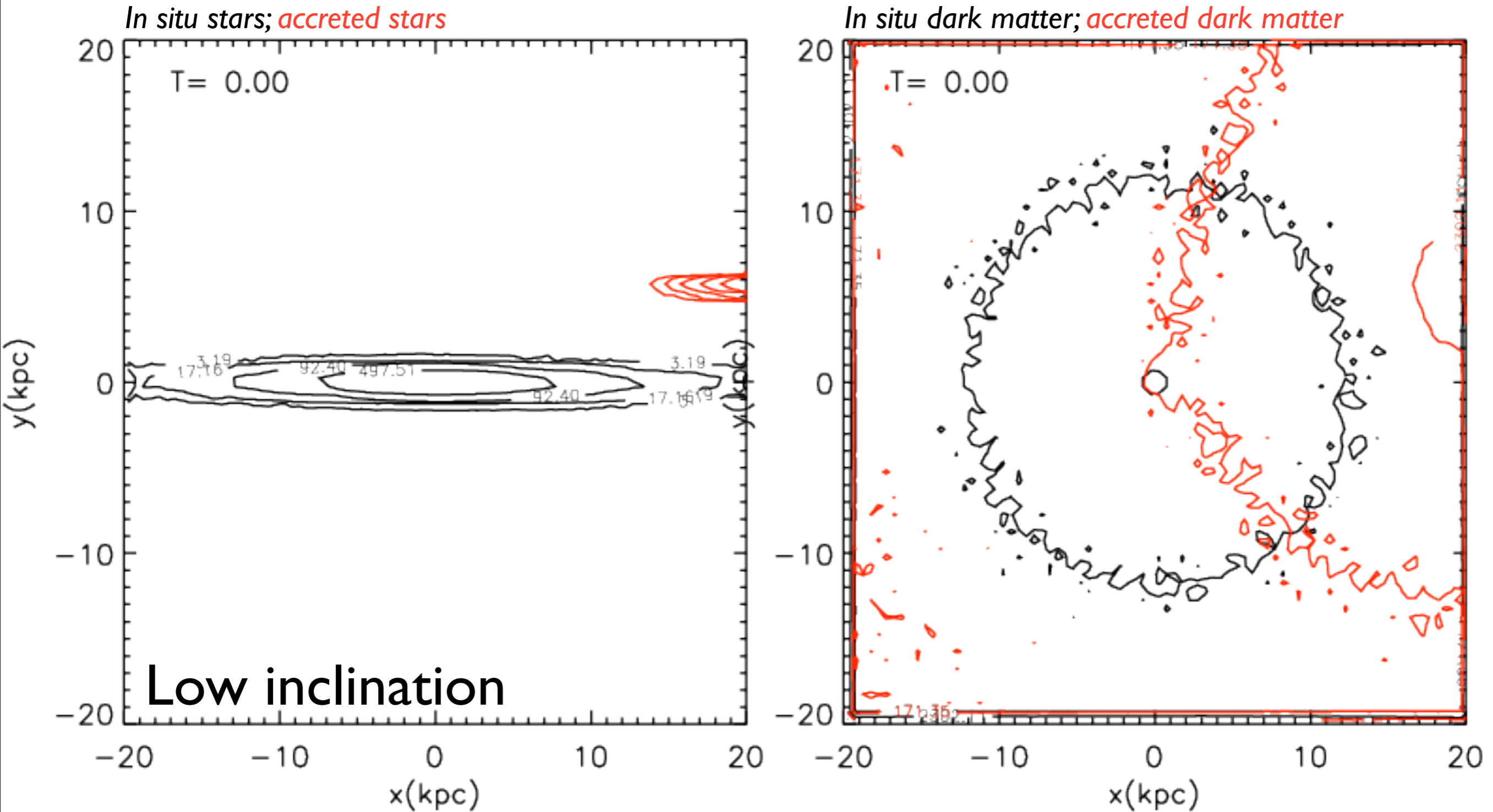
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*In situ stars; accreted stars*

*In situ dark matter; accreted dark matter*

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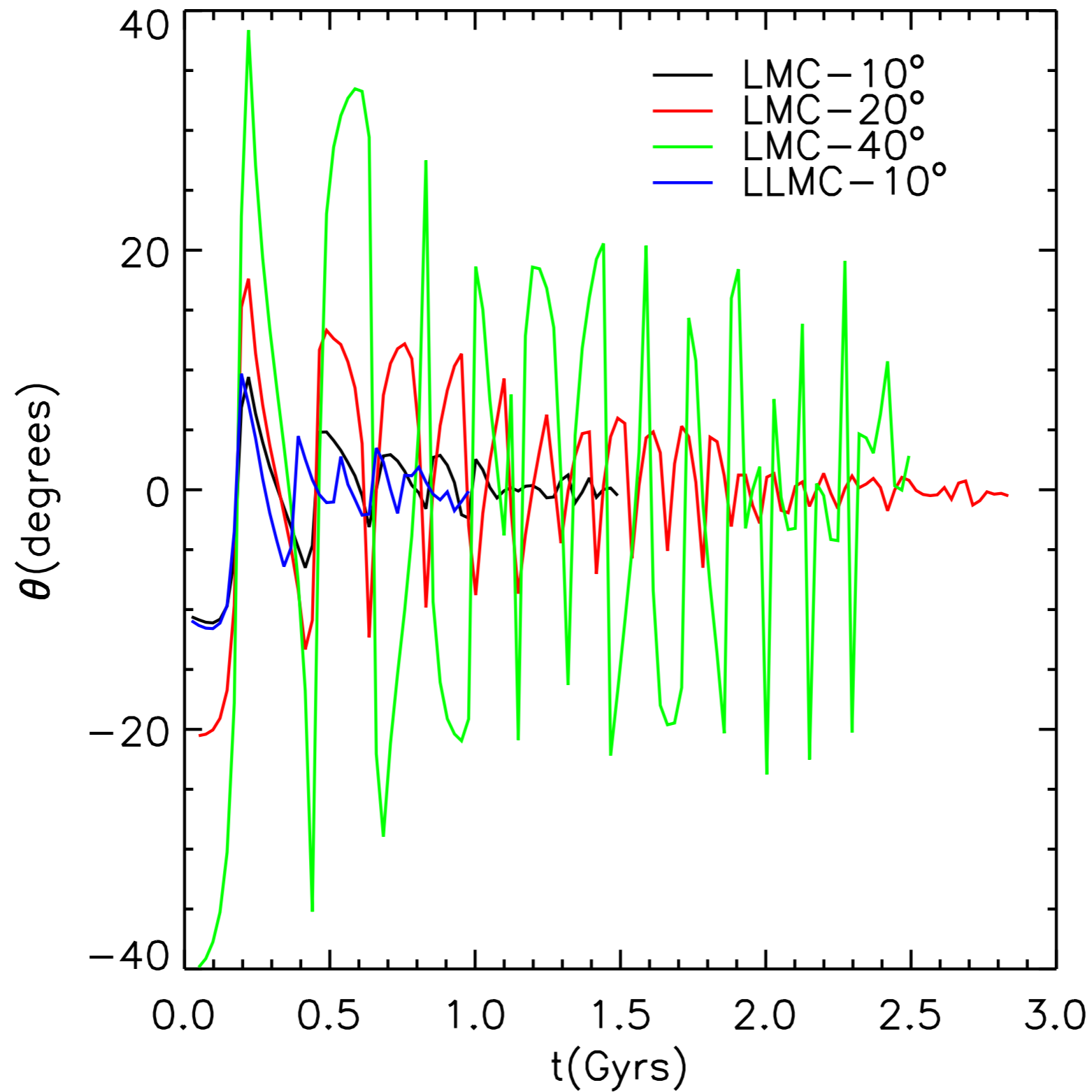
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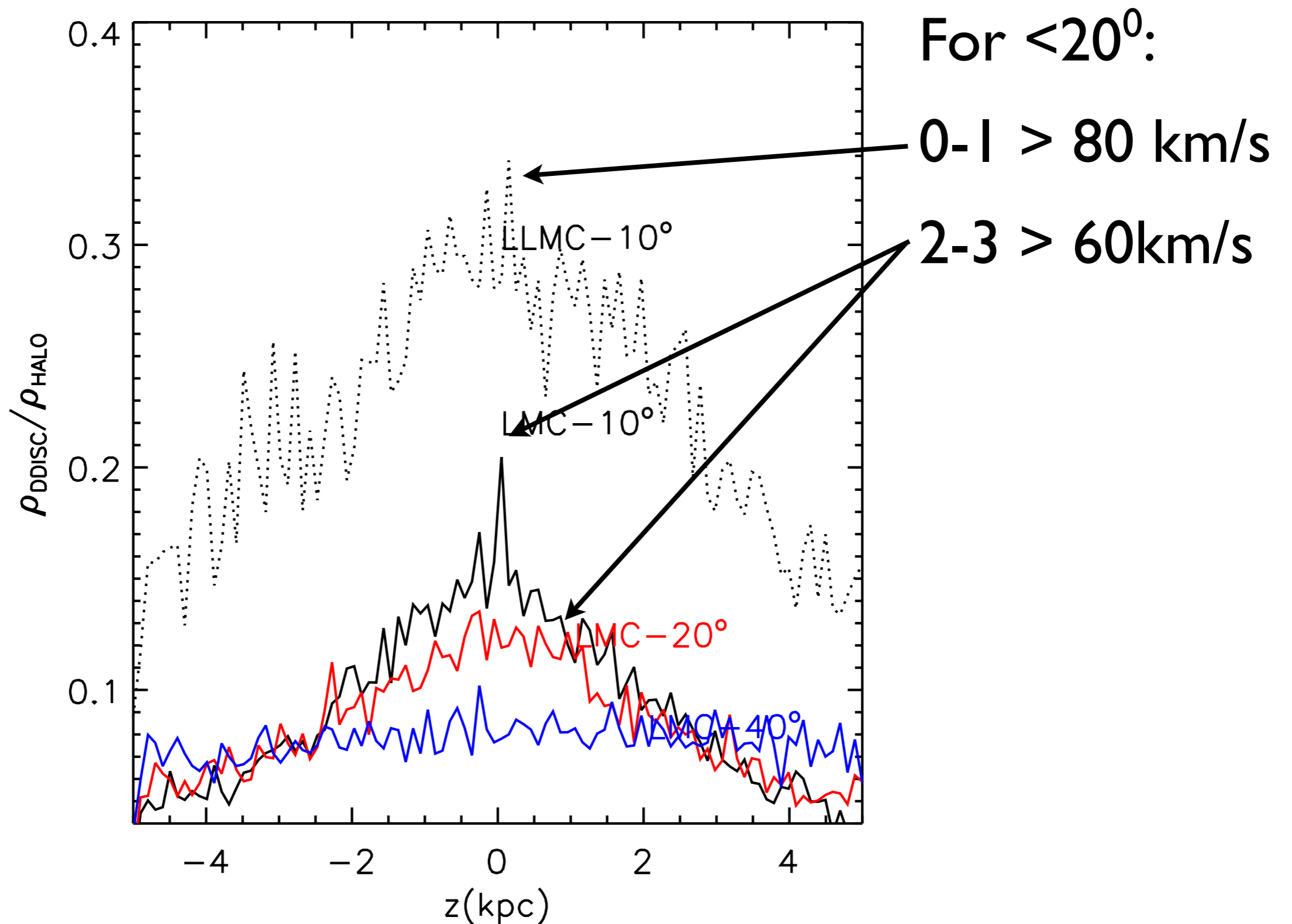
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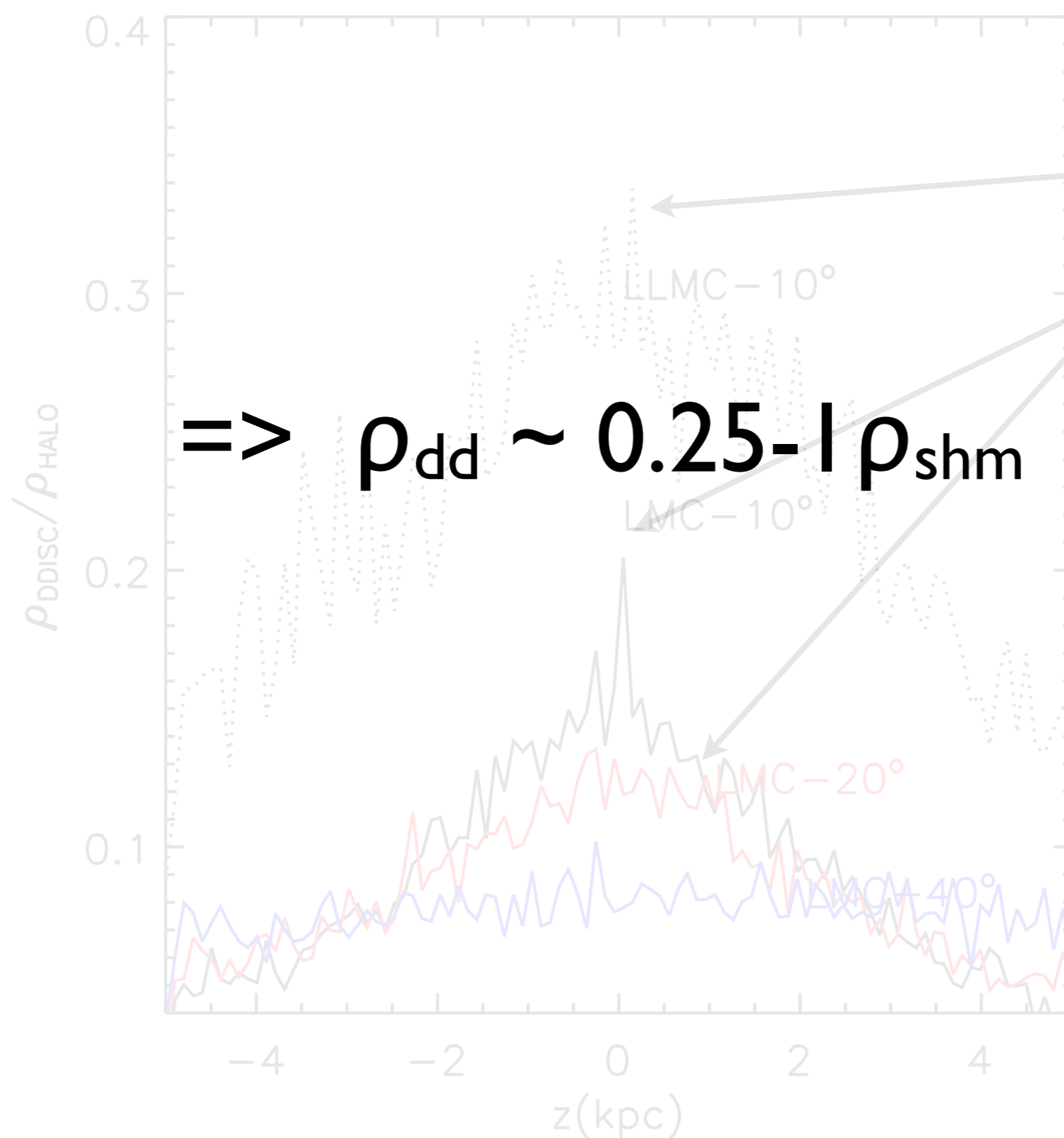
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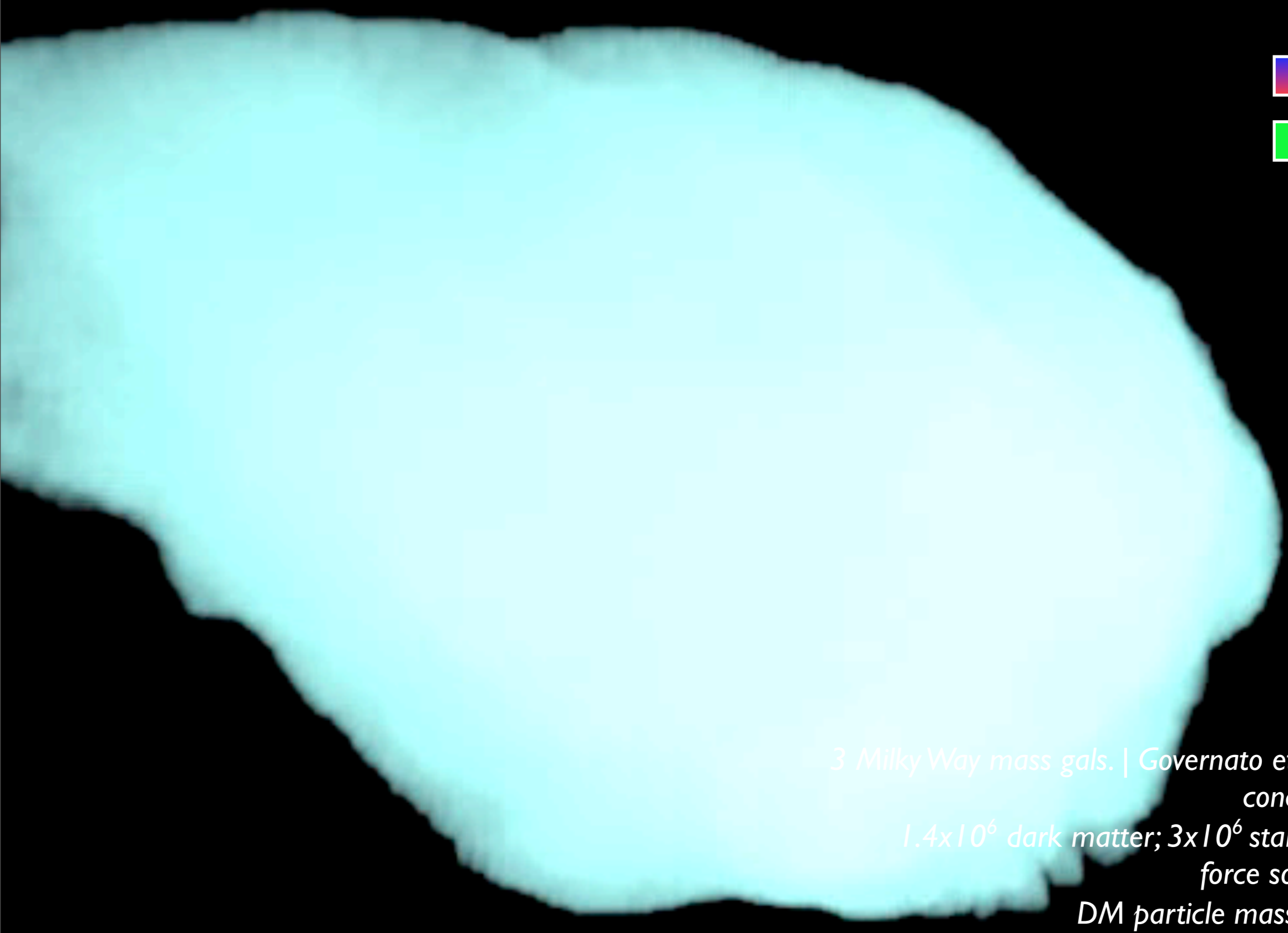
For  $<20^\circ$ :  
0-1  $> 80$  km/s  
2-3  $> 60$  km/s

$\Rightarrow \rho_{dd} \sim 0.25-1 \rho_{shm}$



# Approach II | Cosmological hydrodynamical simulations

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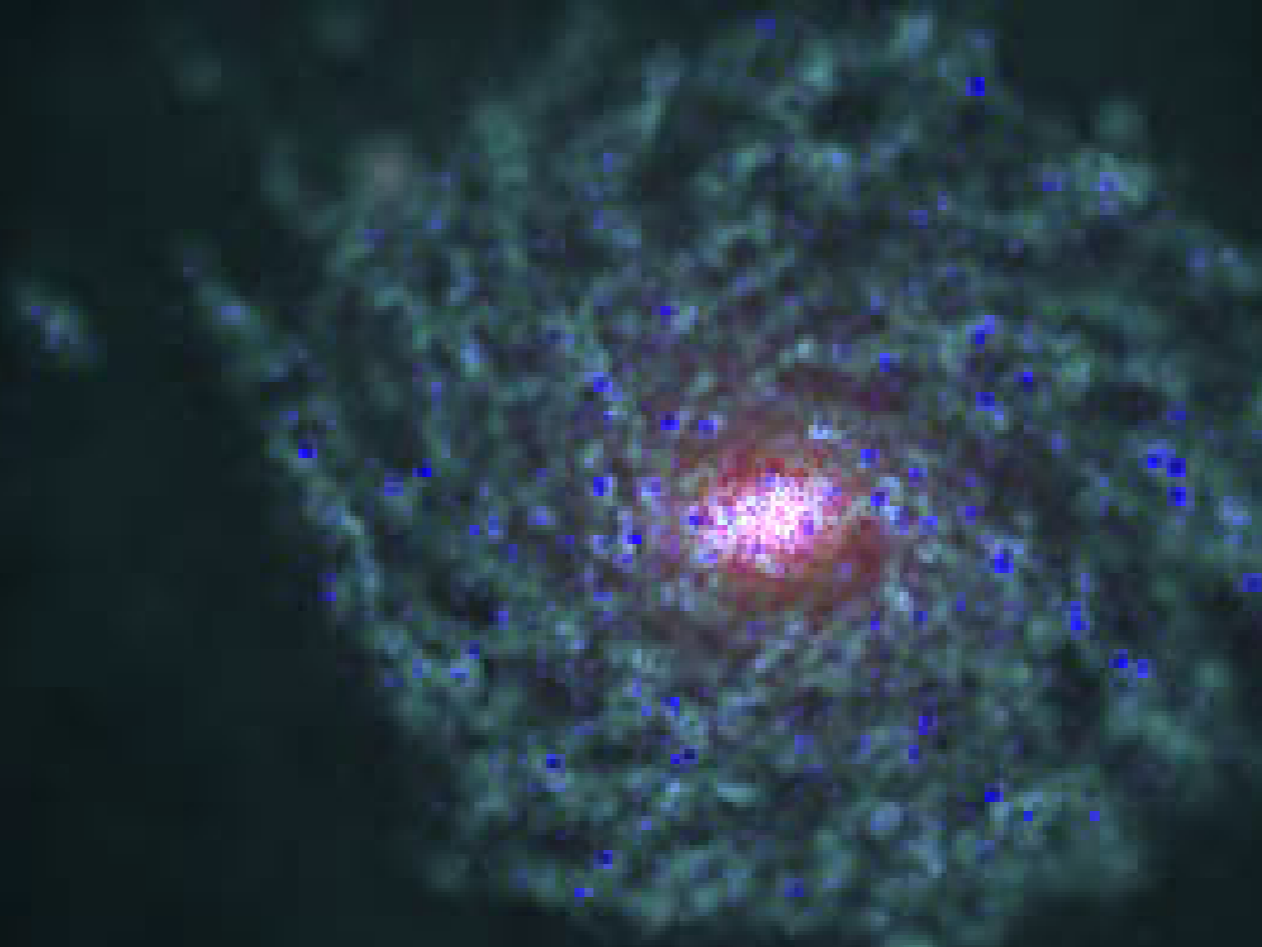
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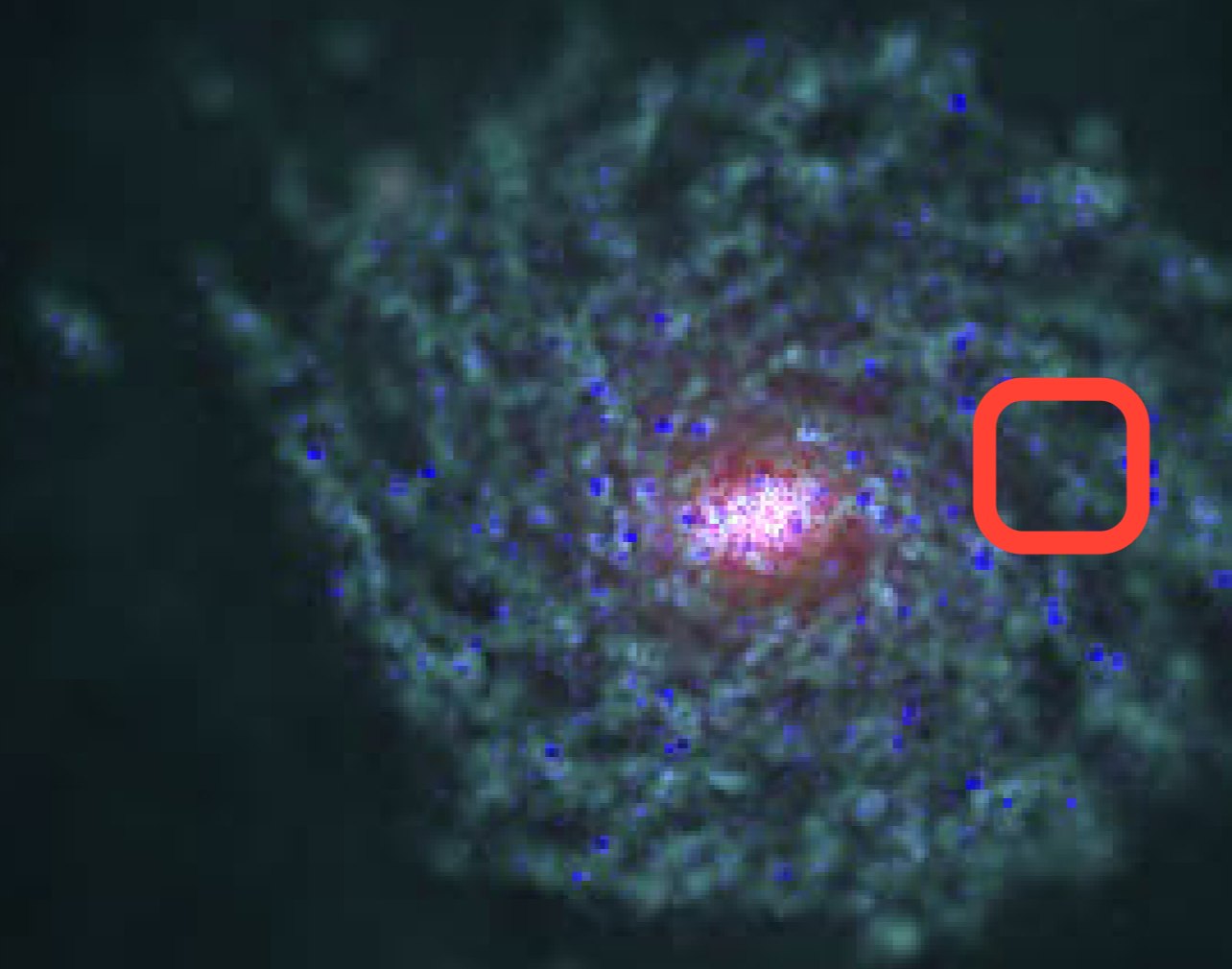
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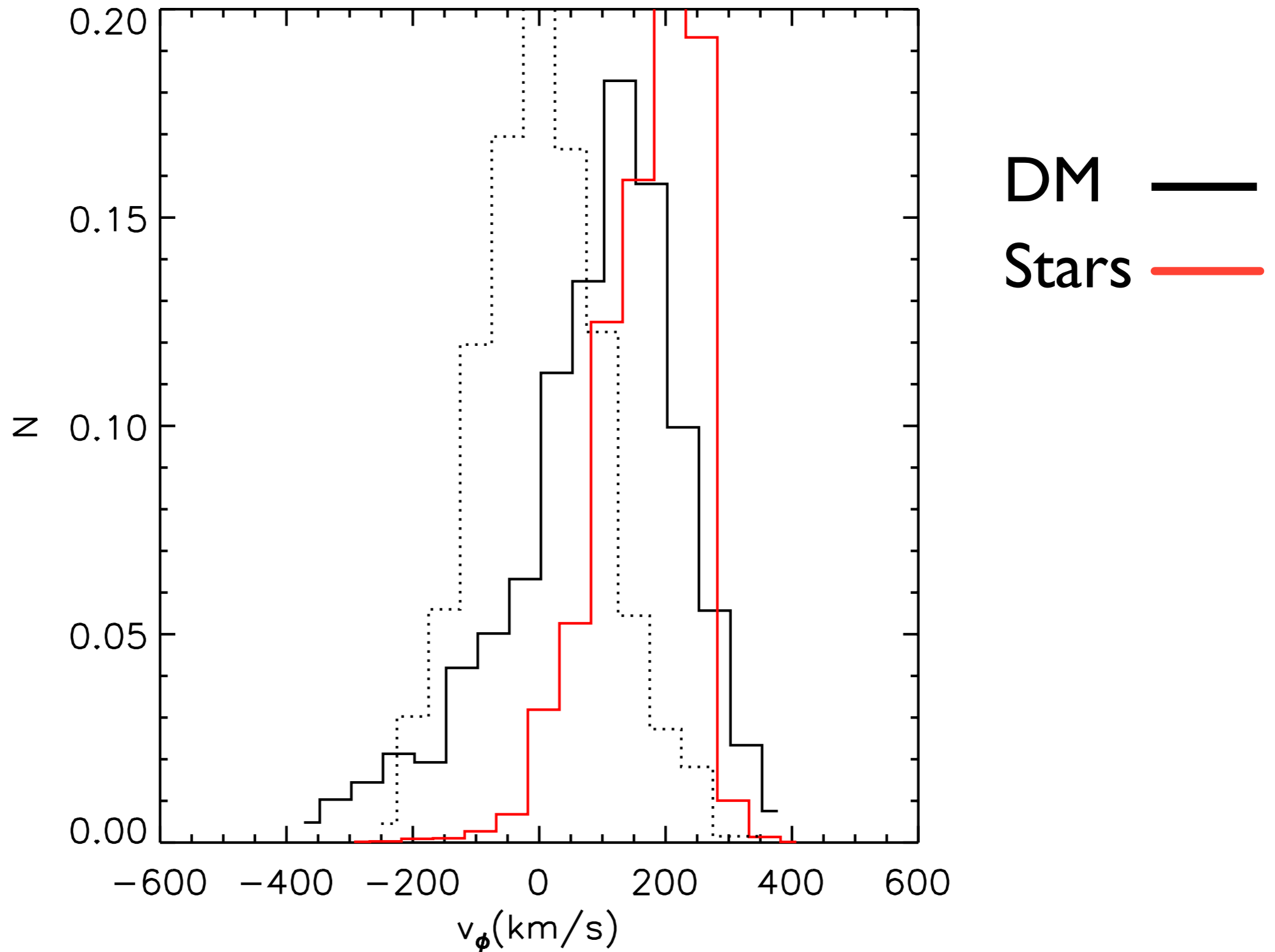
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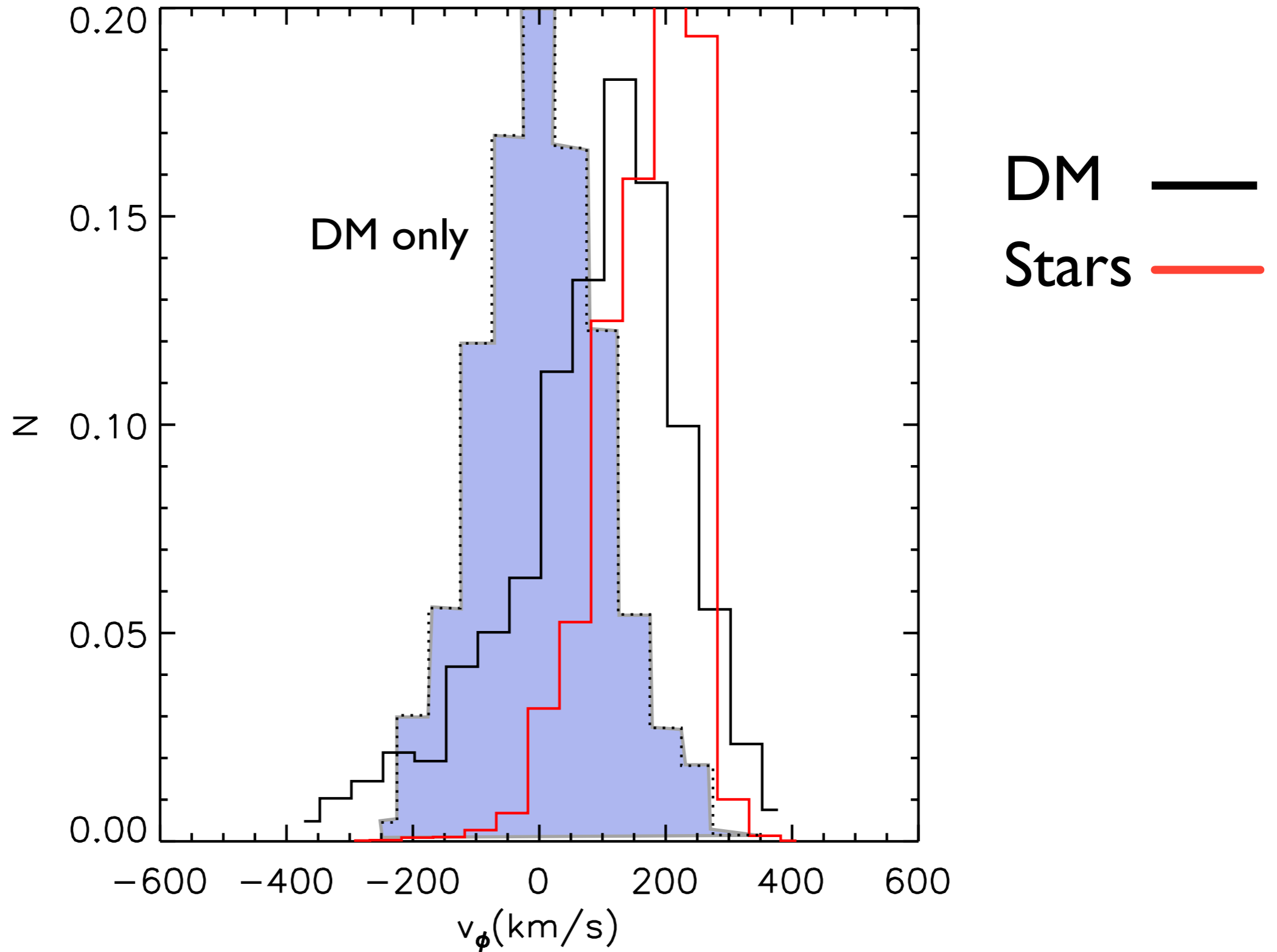
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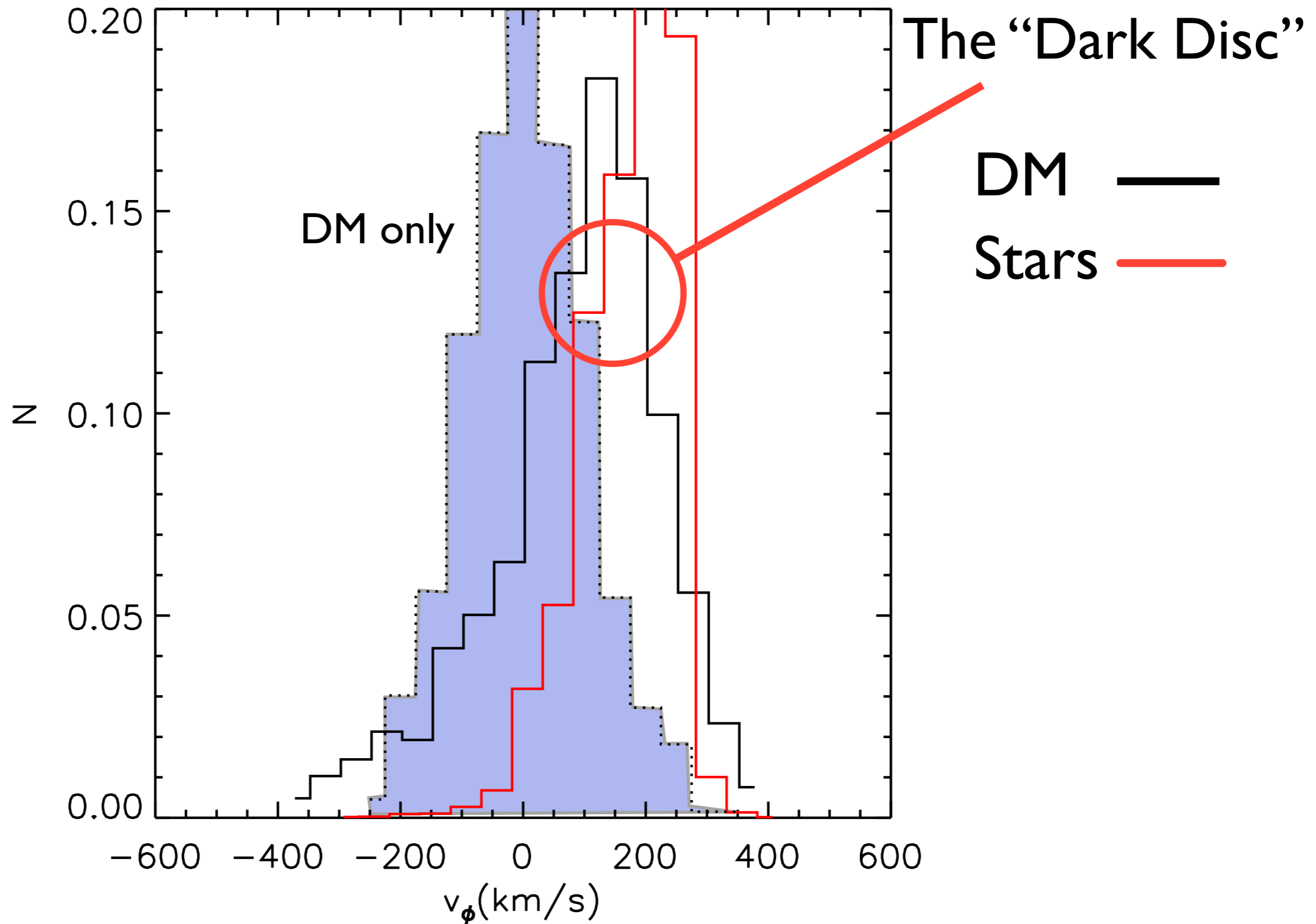
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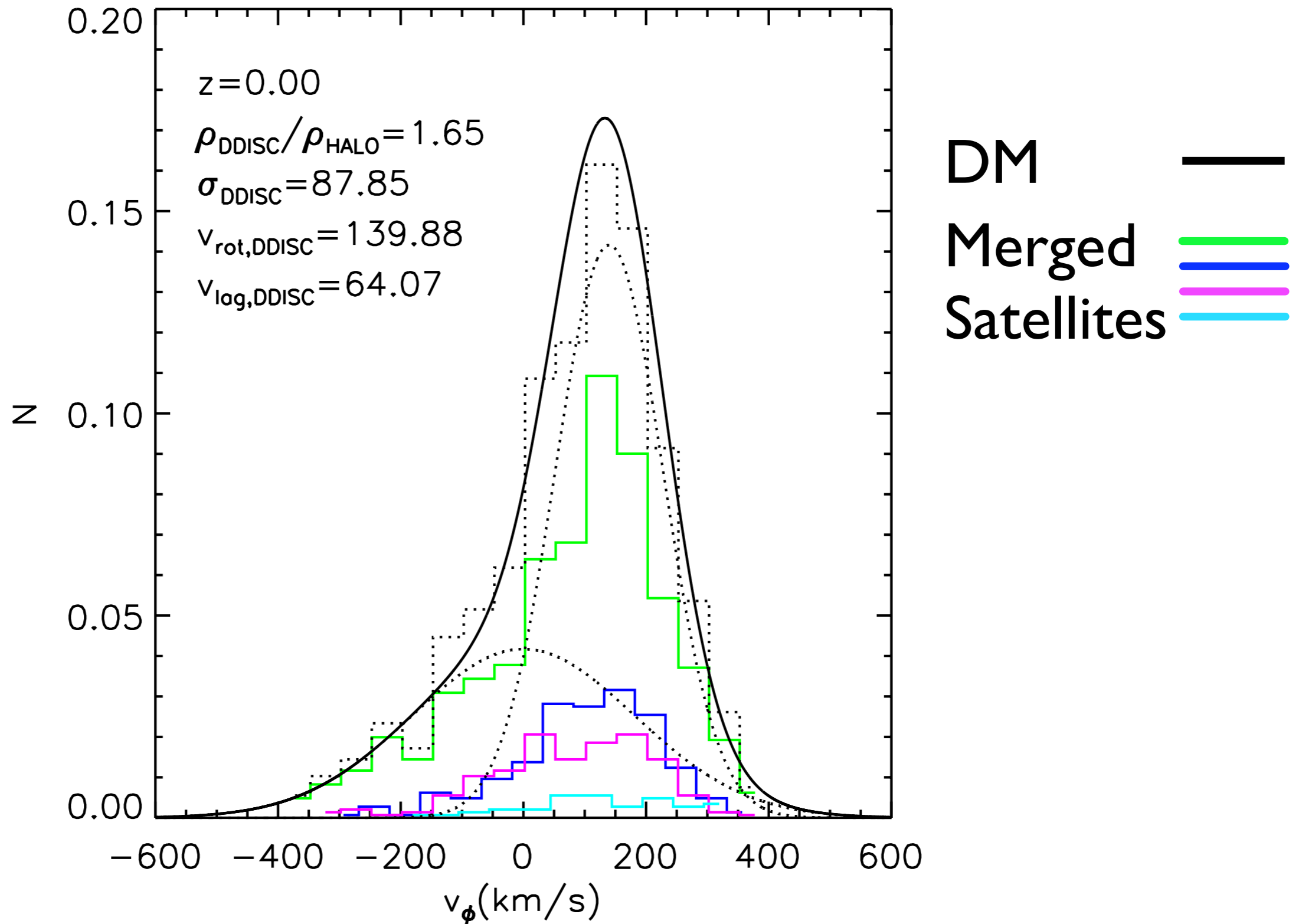
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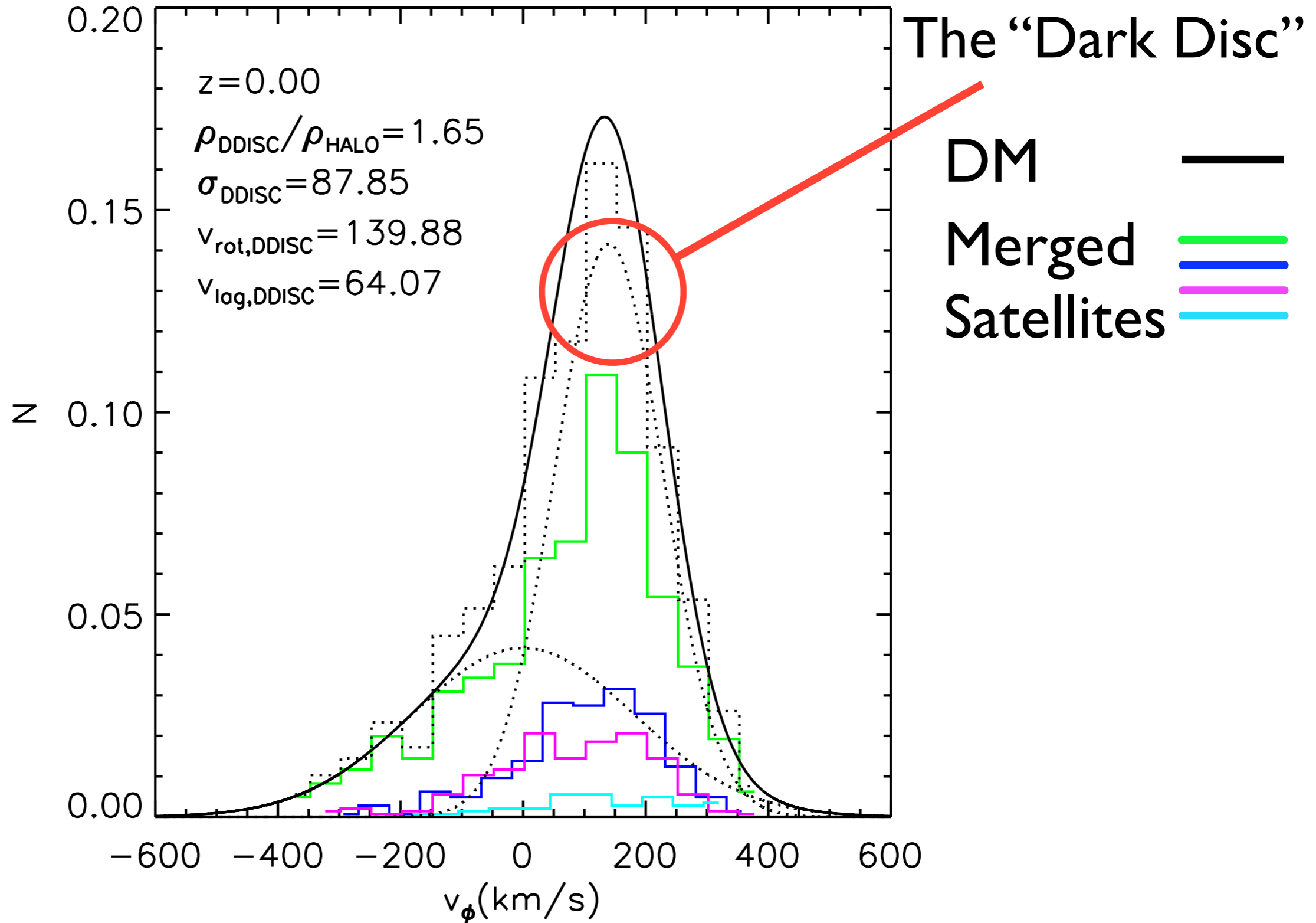
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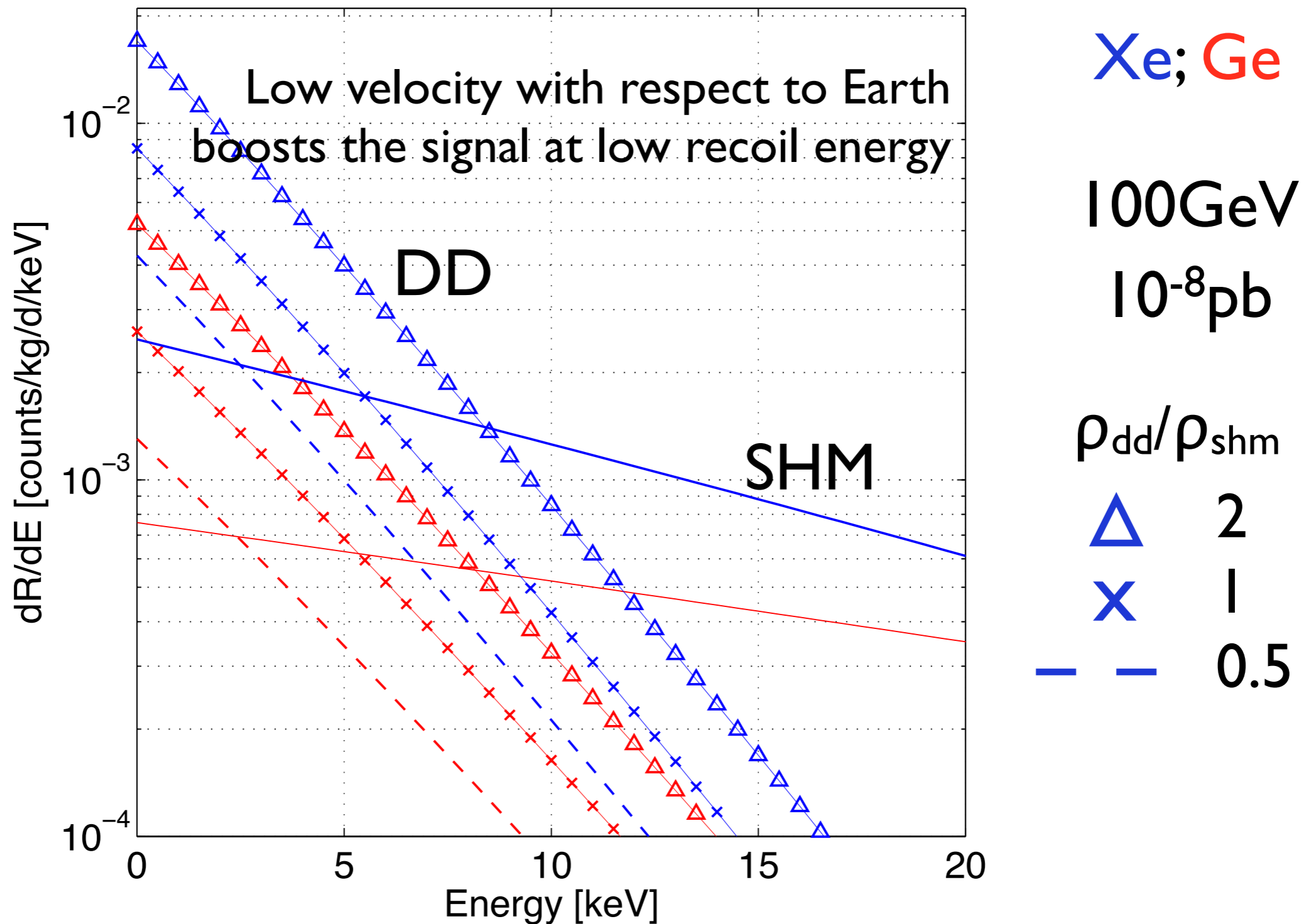
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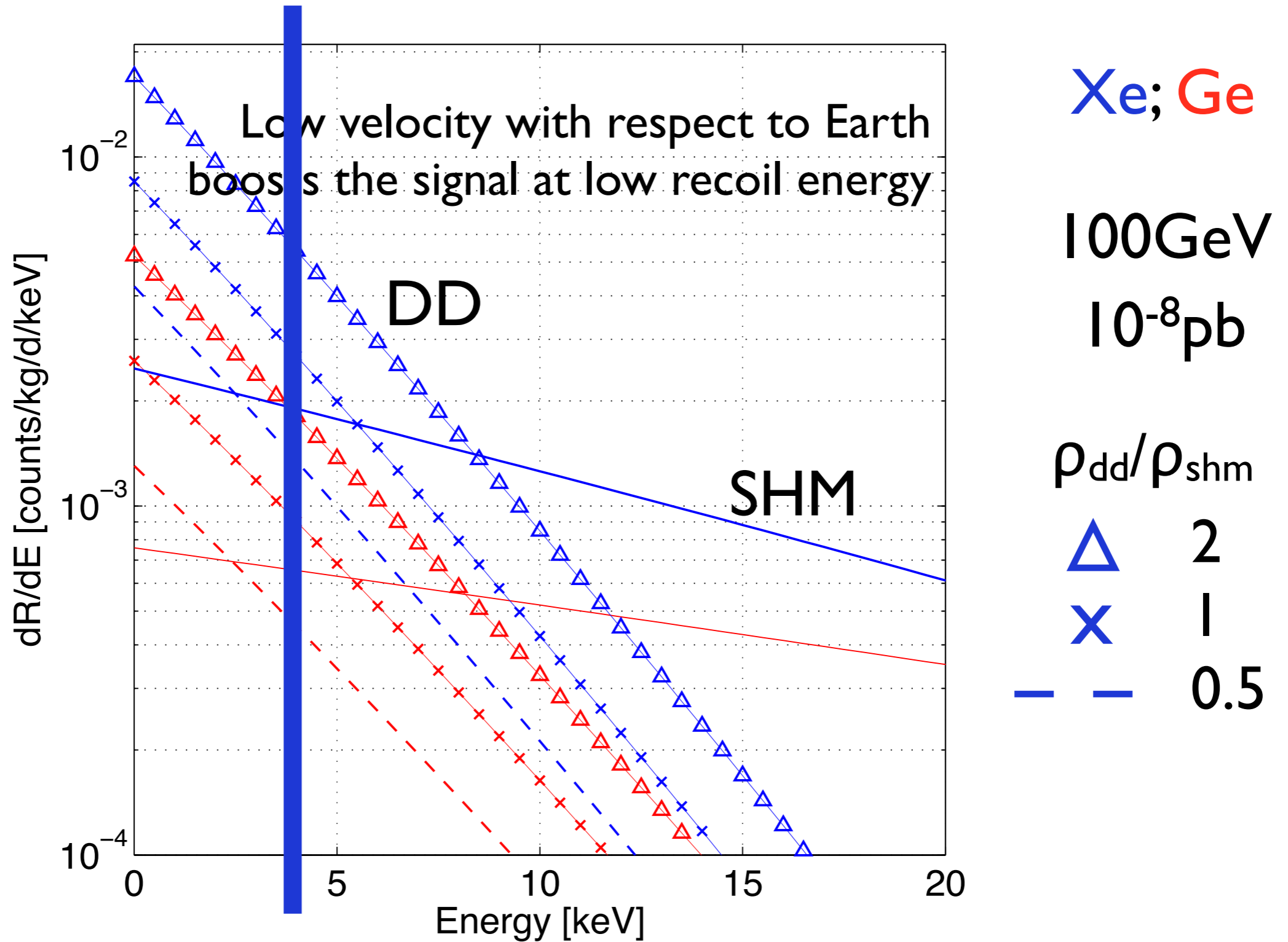
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- Shifts the phase of the annual modulation signal allowing the WIMP mass to be determined,
- Significantly boosts WIMP capture in the Sun and Earth by factors of  $\sim 10$  and  $\sim 1000$ , respectively,
- Increases the possibility of detecting dark matter in the near future.

# Dark disc implications | Direct dark matter detection

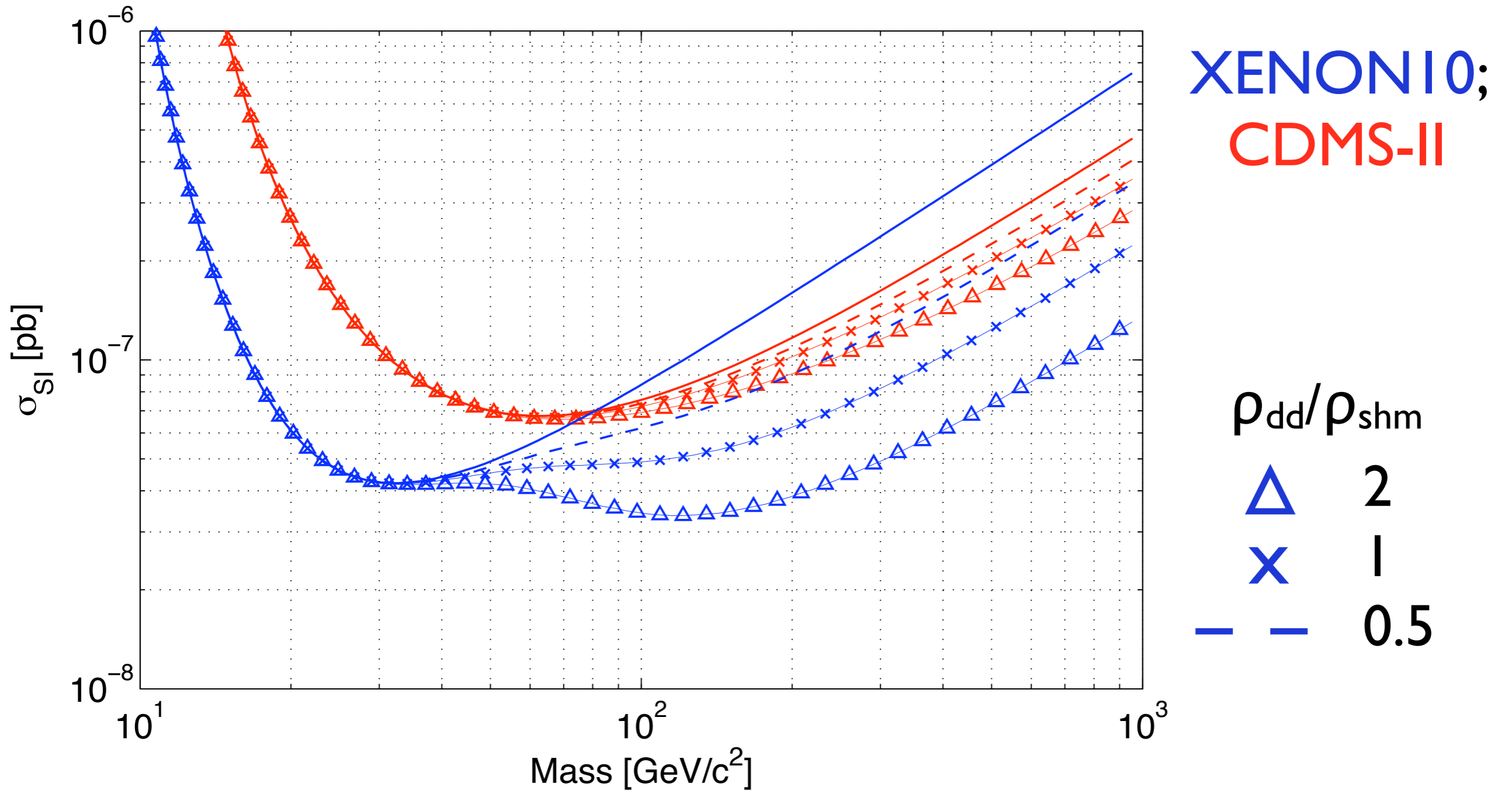


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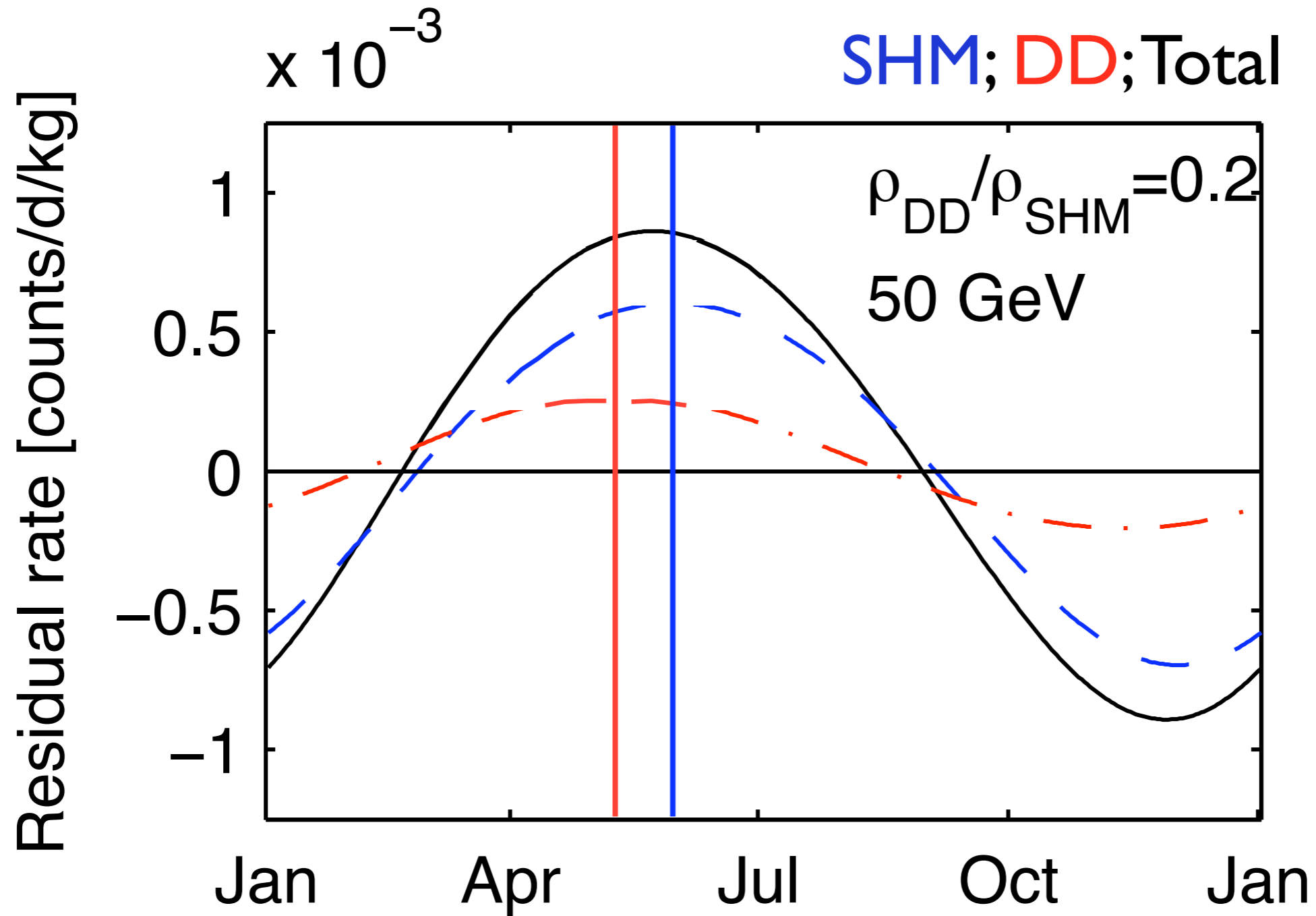


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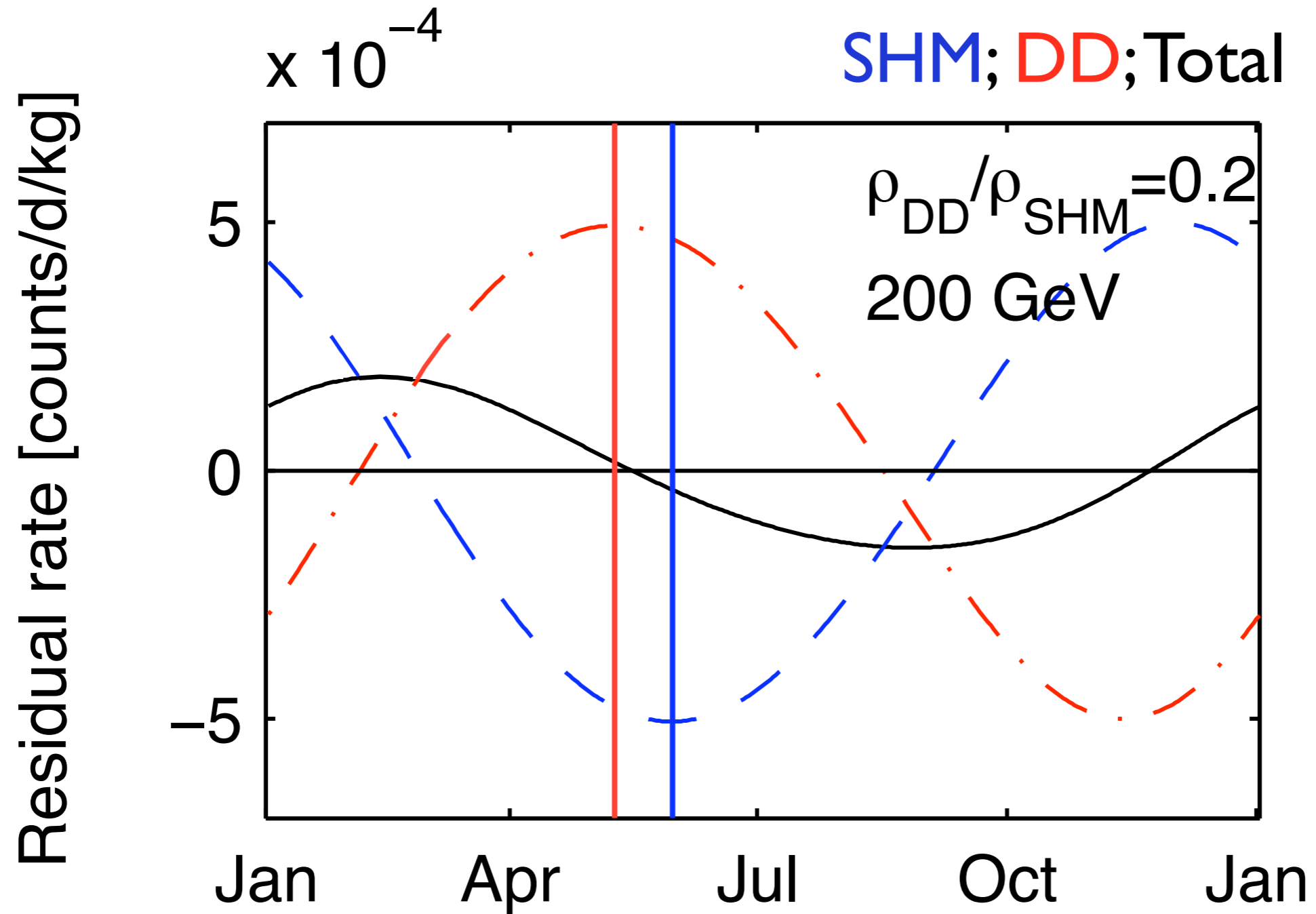
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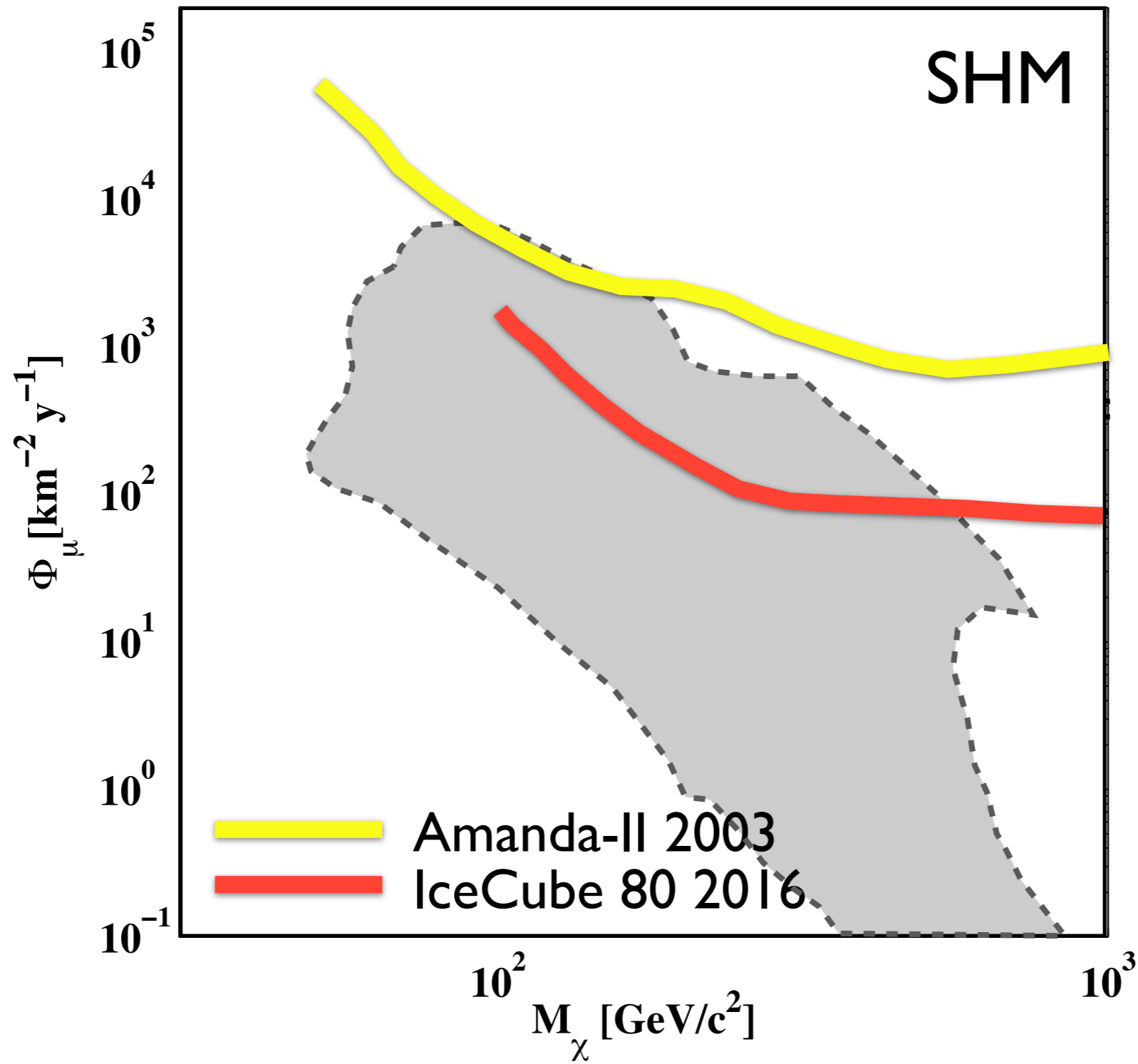




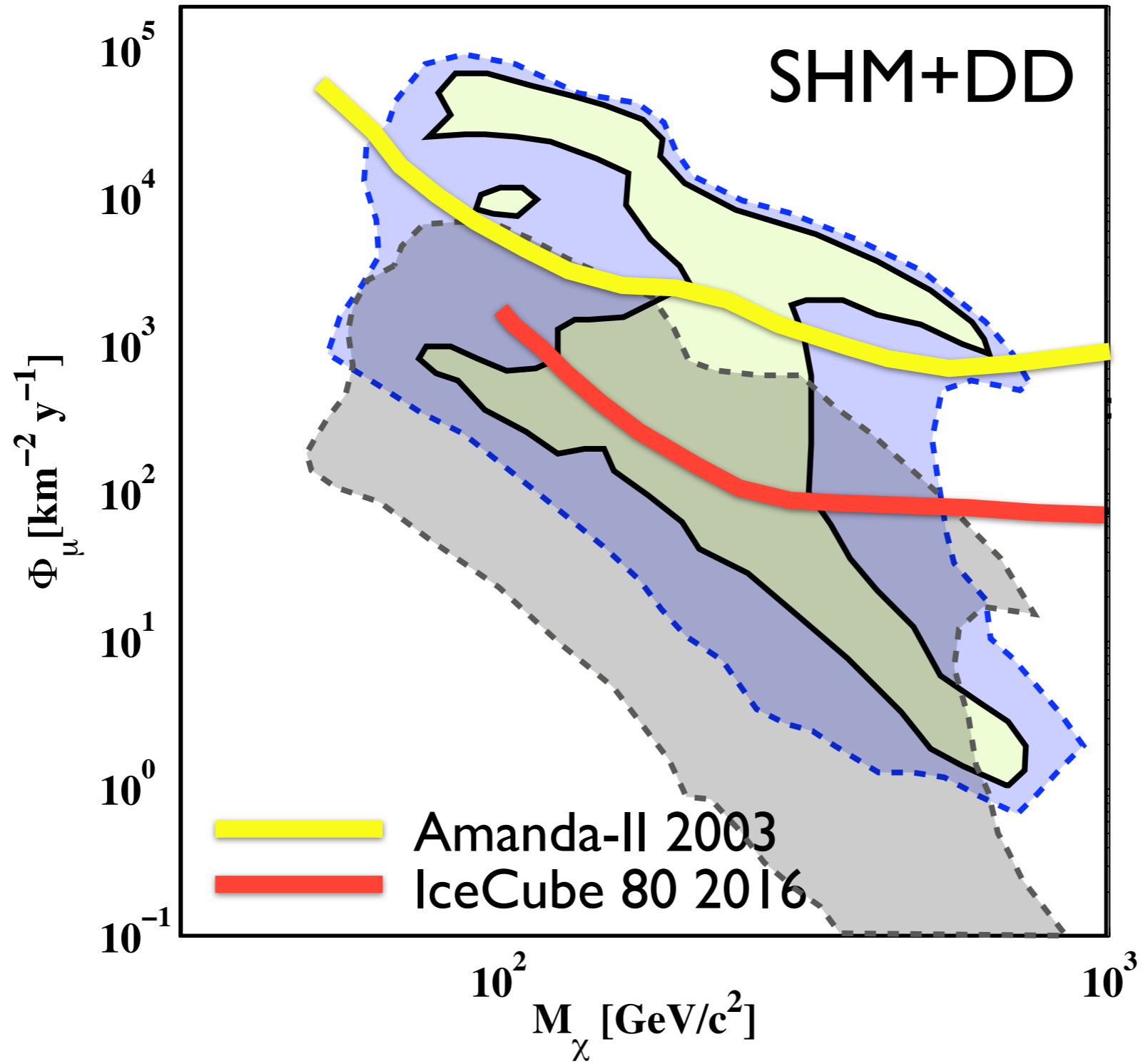
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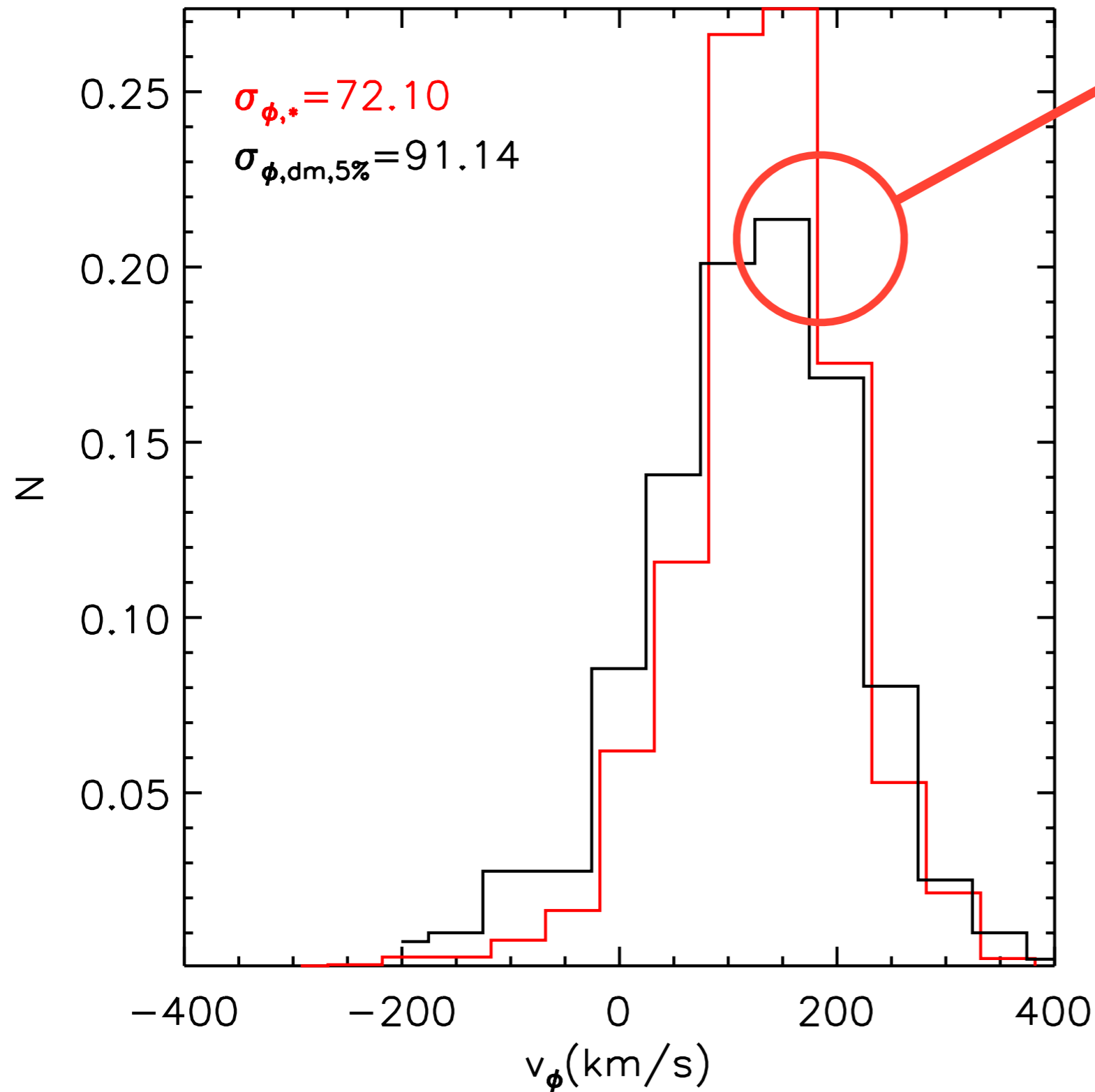
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- **C. Liu et al. 2010** (in prep.): evidence for accreted stars above the Milky Way disc plane?
- **Klement et al. 2009**: streams in the Solar neighbourhood with disc-like kinematics - an accreted disc(s)?
- **Carollo et al. 2010**: 'metal weak' thick disc - an accreted disc?
- Could one or all of these be the 'smoking gun' for a dark disc?

# Conclusions

- The race is on to detect WIMPs in the laboratory. For this we need to know the local dark matter density  $\rho_{\text{dm}}$  and velocity distribution  $f_{\text{dm}}$ .
- Using kinematics of Solar Neigh. stars, we obtain a [preliminary] estimate of  $\rho_{\text{dm}}$
- To measure  $f_{\text{dm}}$ , we require numerical simulations. These must include baryonic physics. Doing so leads to a **disc of dark matter** in our Galaxy.
- The **dark disc**: boosts the direct detection signal at low recoil energy by a factor  $\sim 3$  in the 5-20keV range; shifts the phase of the annual modulation signal allowing the WIMP mass to be determined; and boosts WIMP capture in the Sun and Earth by factors of  $\sim 10$  and  $\sim 1000$ , respectively.
- We find tentative evidence for several accreted discs of stars in the Milky Way. This is the smoking gun for a dark disc.