Title: The Mystery of Dark Matter

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Abstract: In the 1980's when Vera Rubin was analyzing how stars in galaxies revolve around the galactic core, she made an incredible discovery. The stars where moving much faster than anyone expected. This discovery helped open up a door in physics whose implications are far stranger than the best plot in any science fiction movie. Join us as we explore the mystery of dark matter.

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Not so Misterious

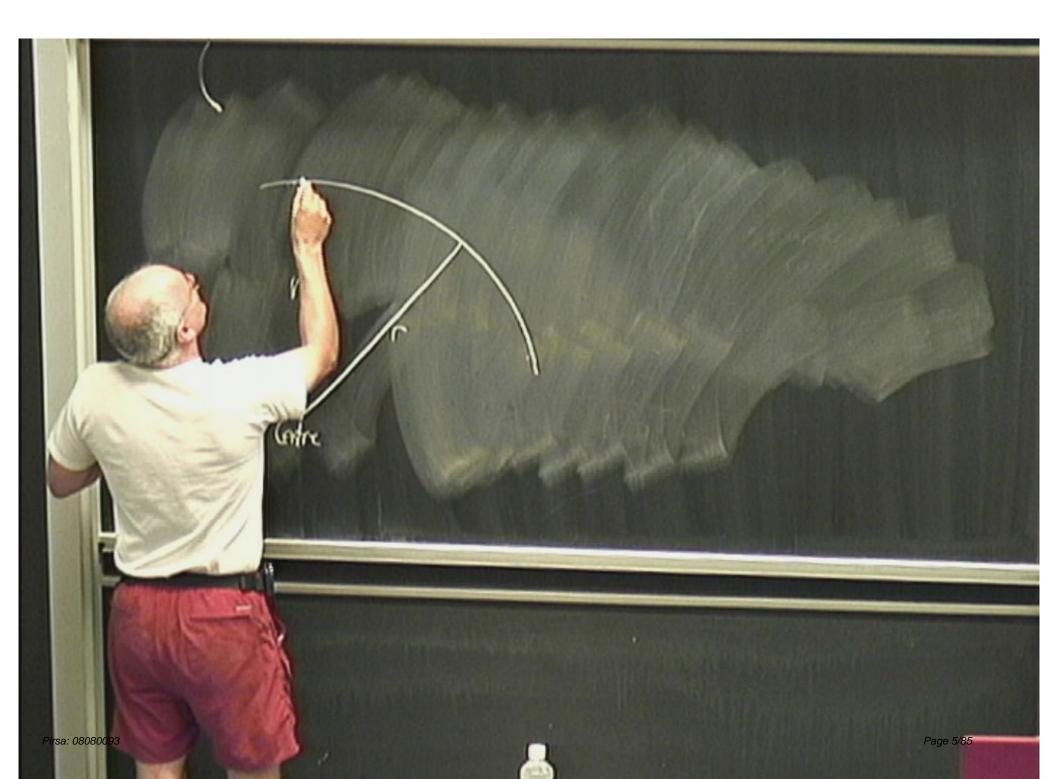
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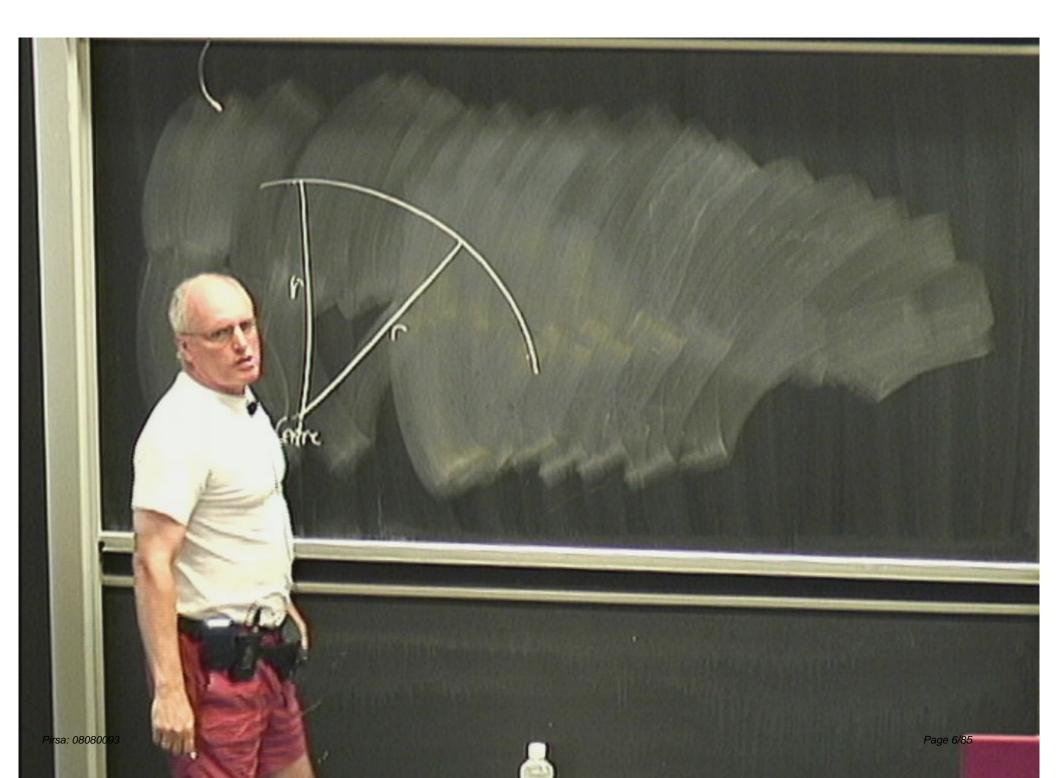
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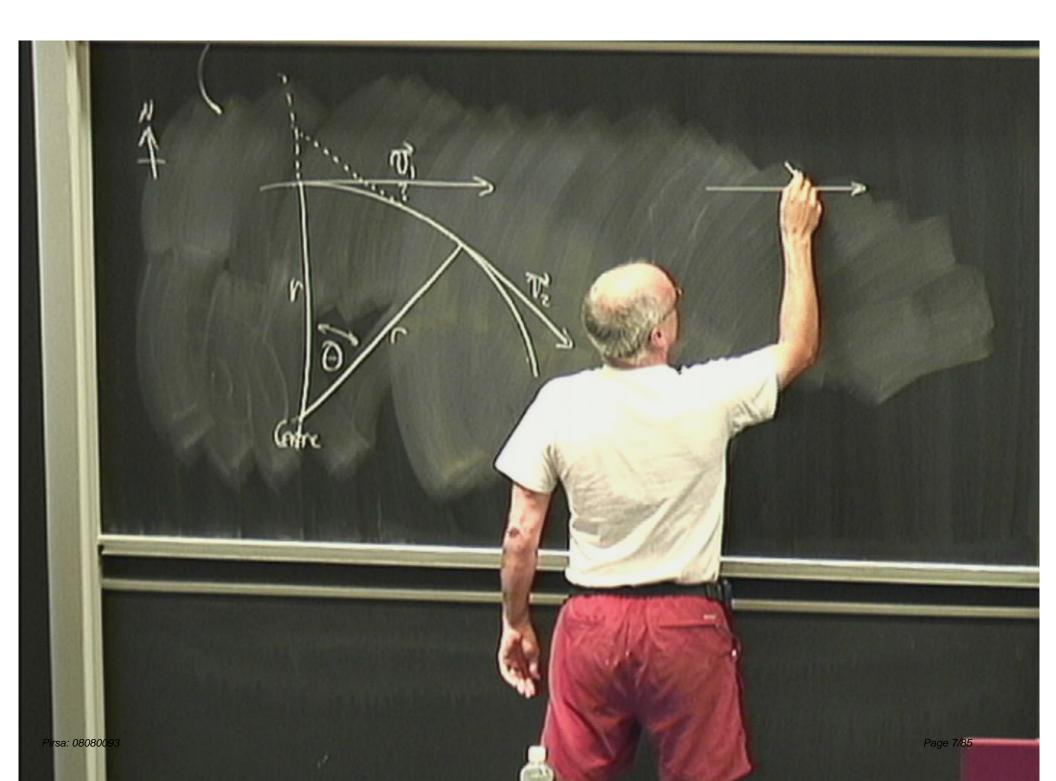
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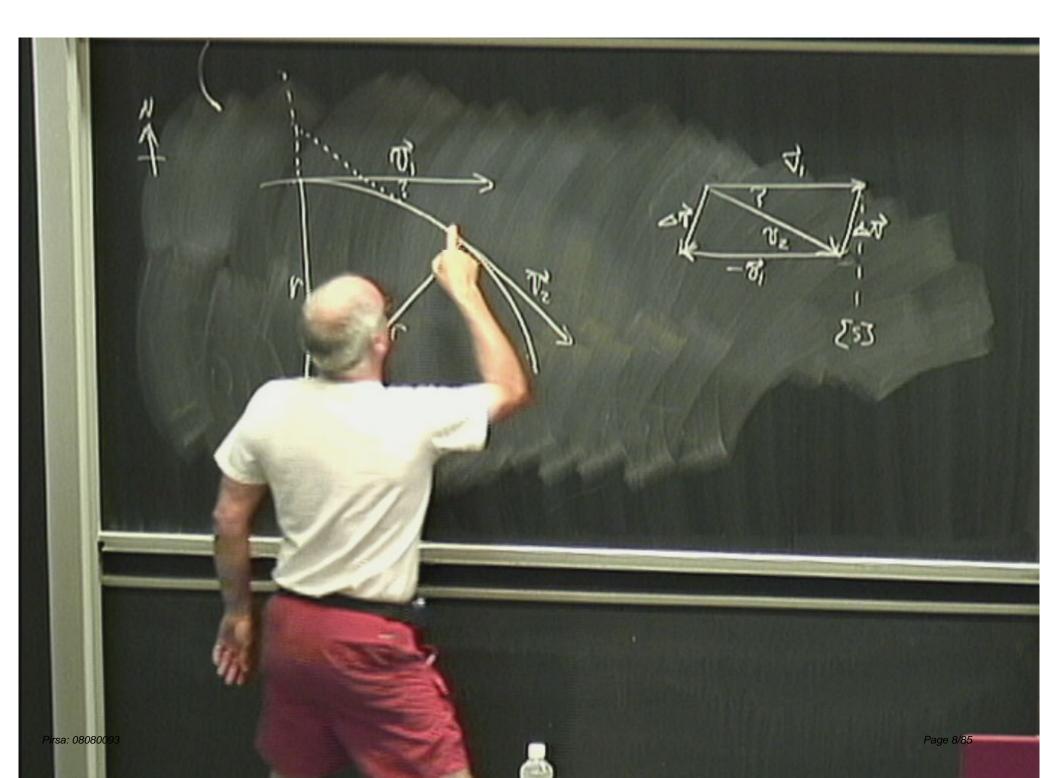
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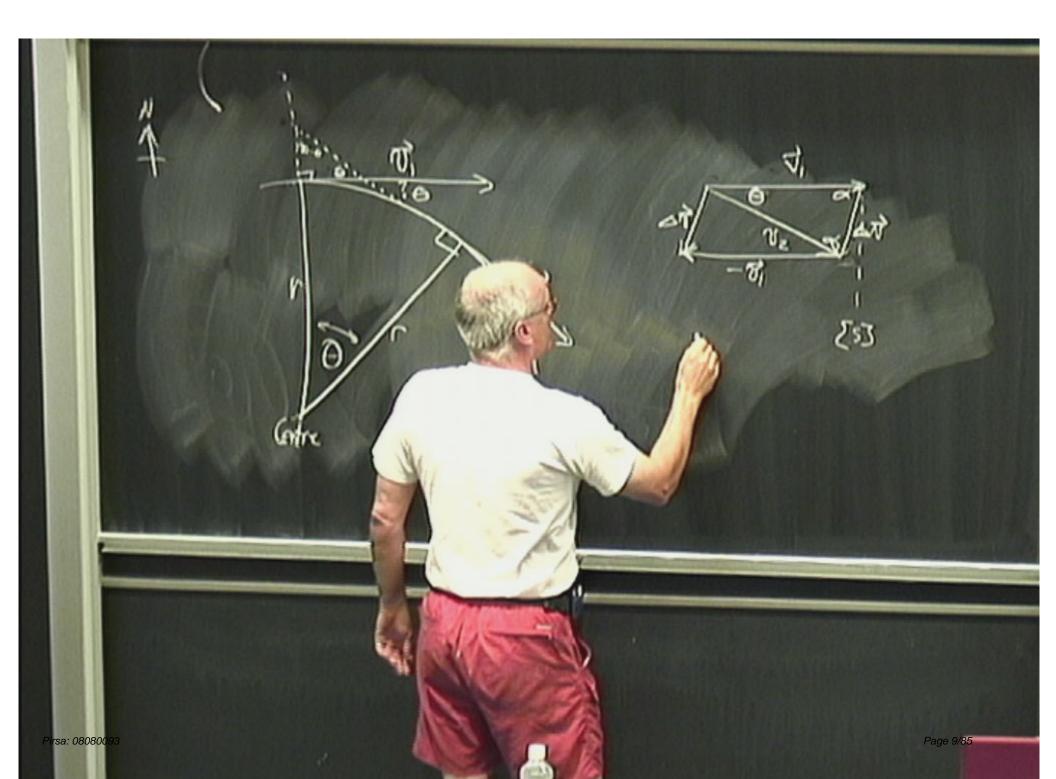
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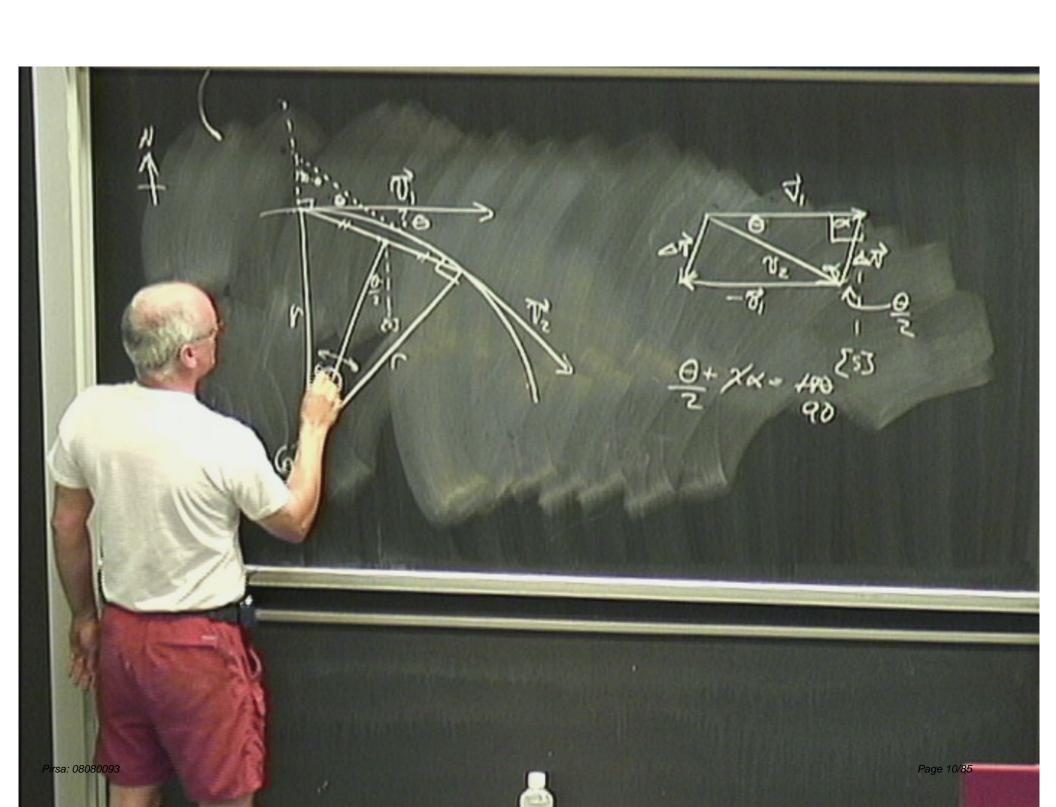


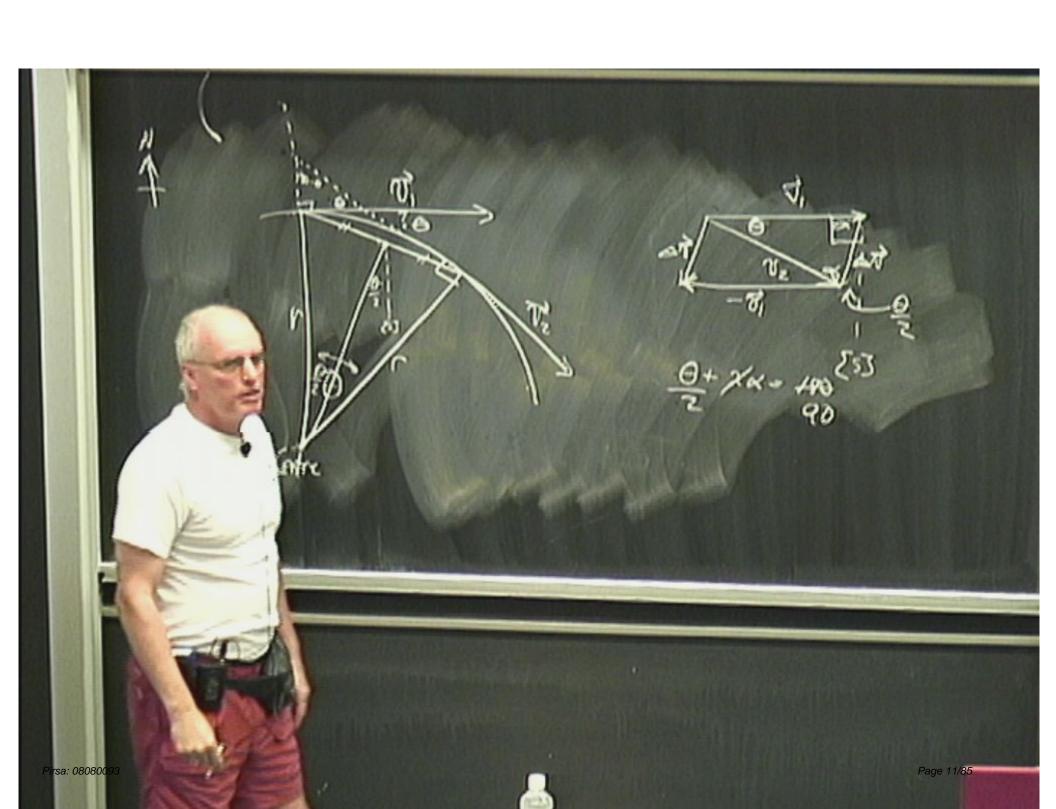


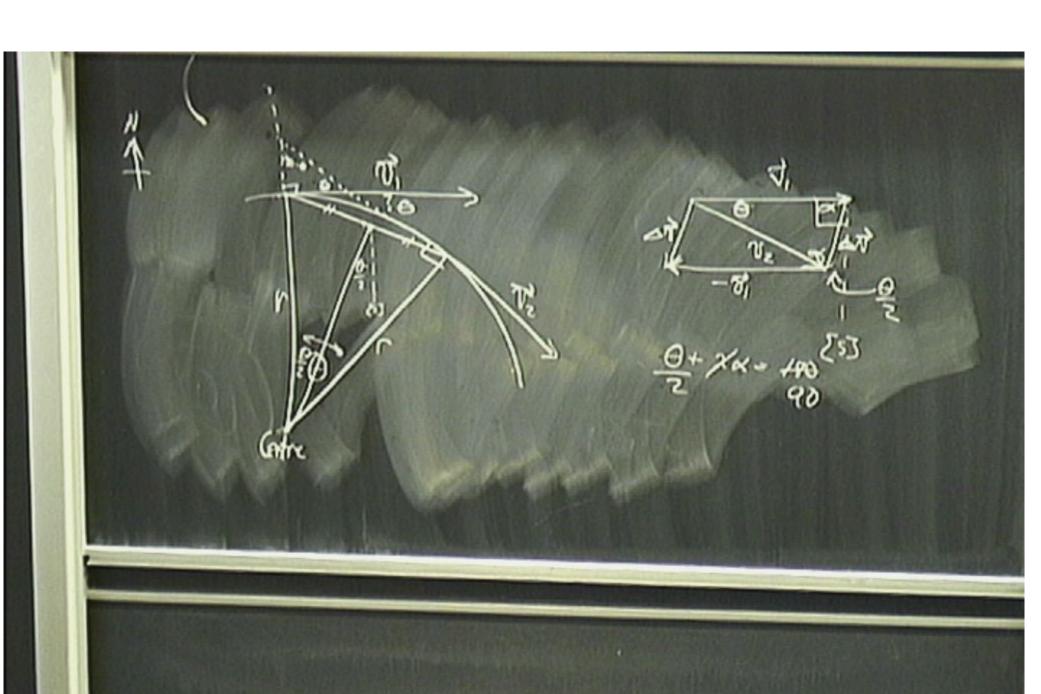


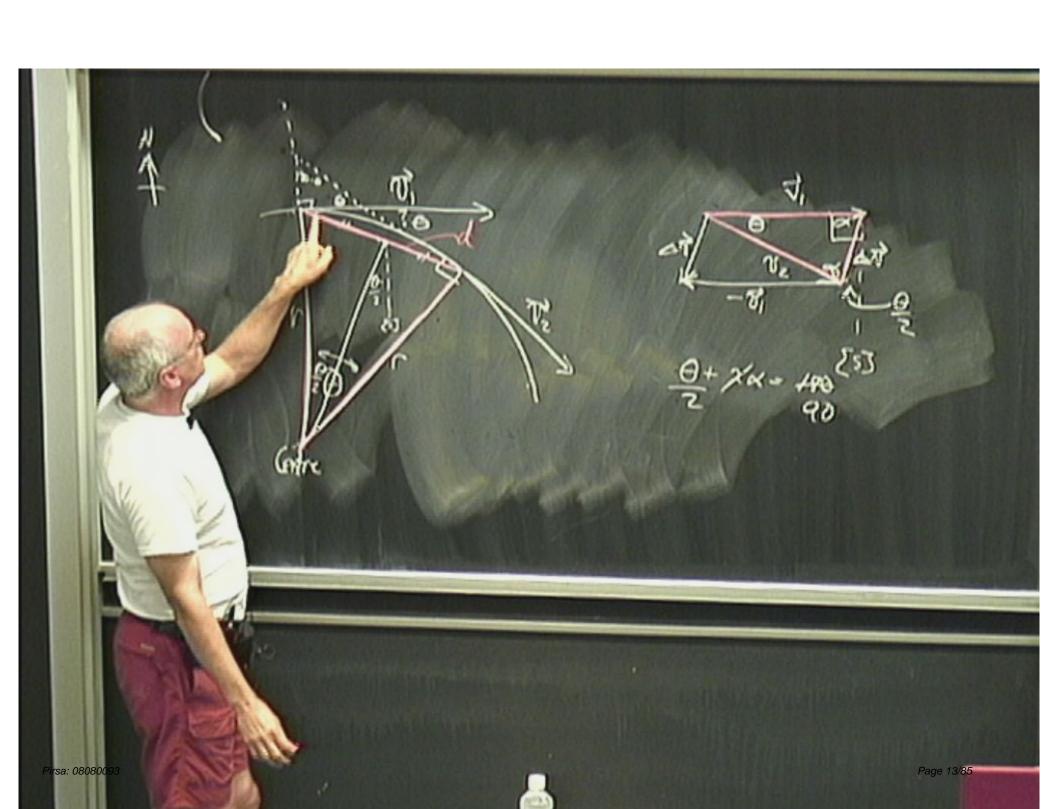


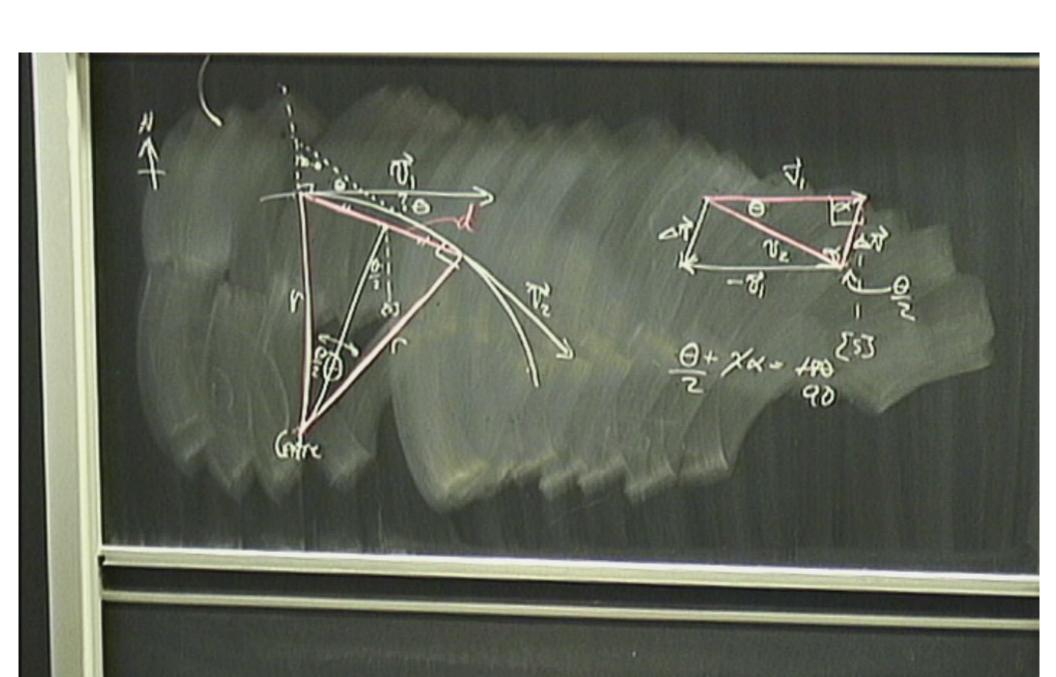


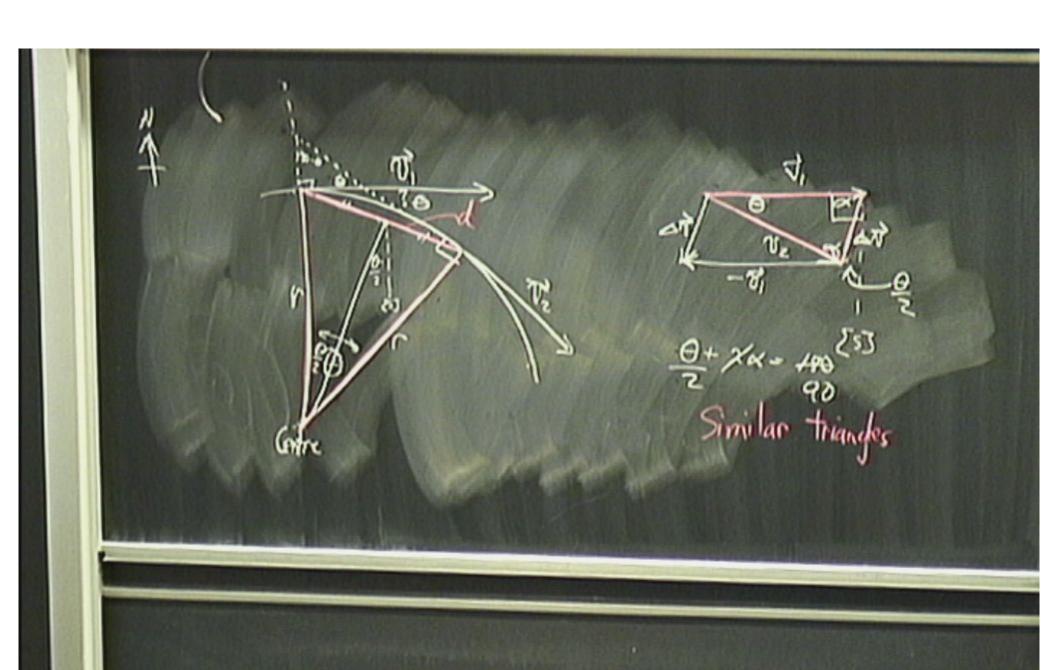


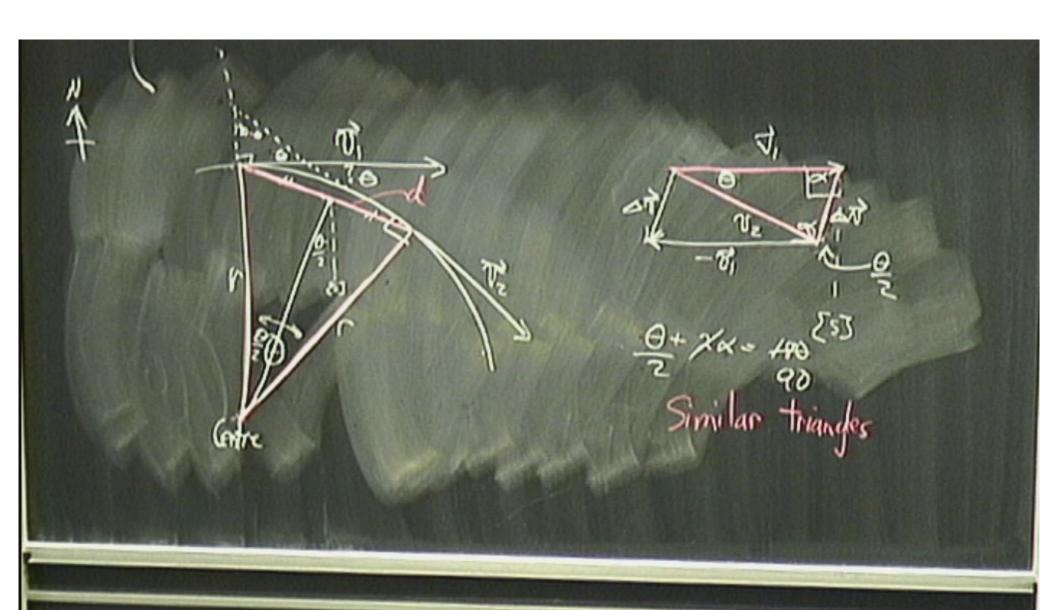


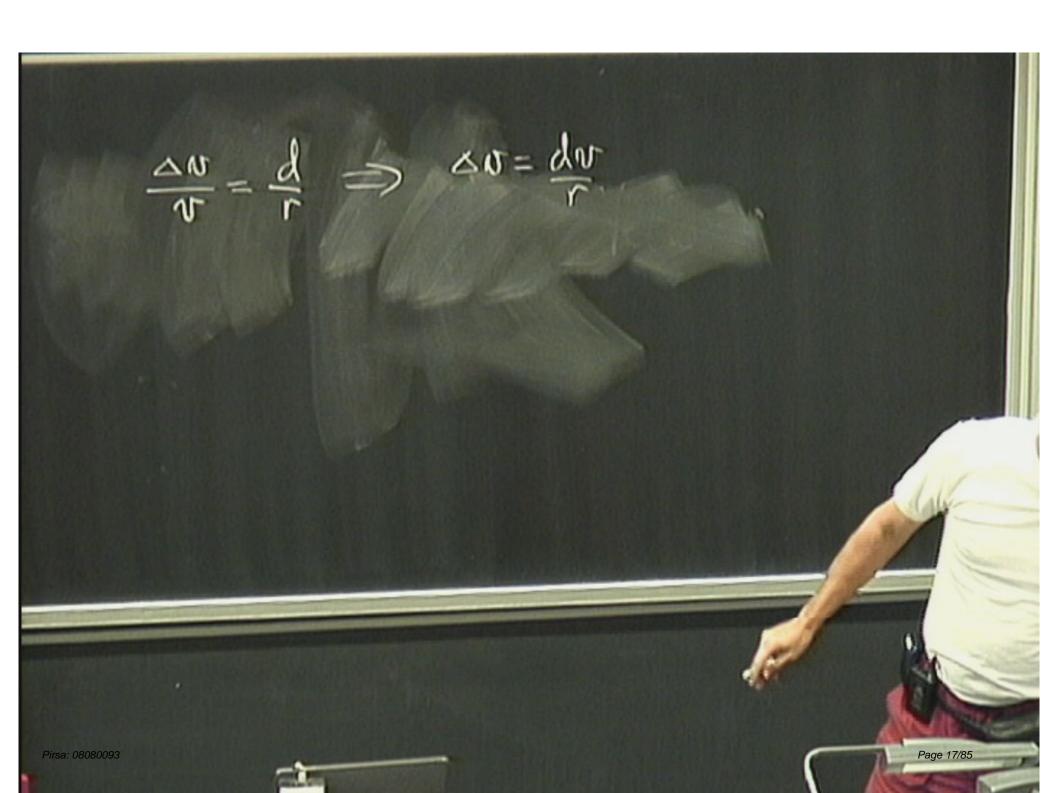


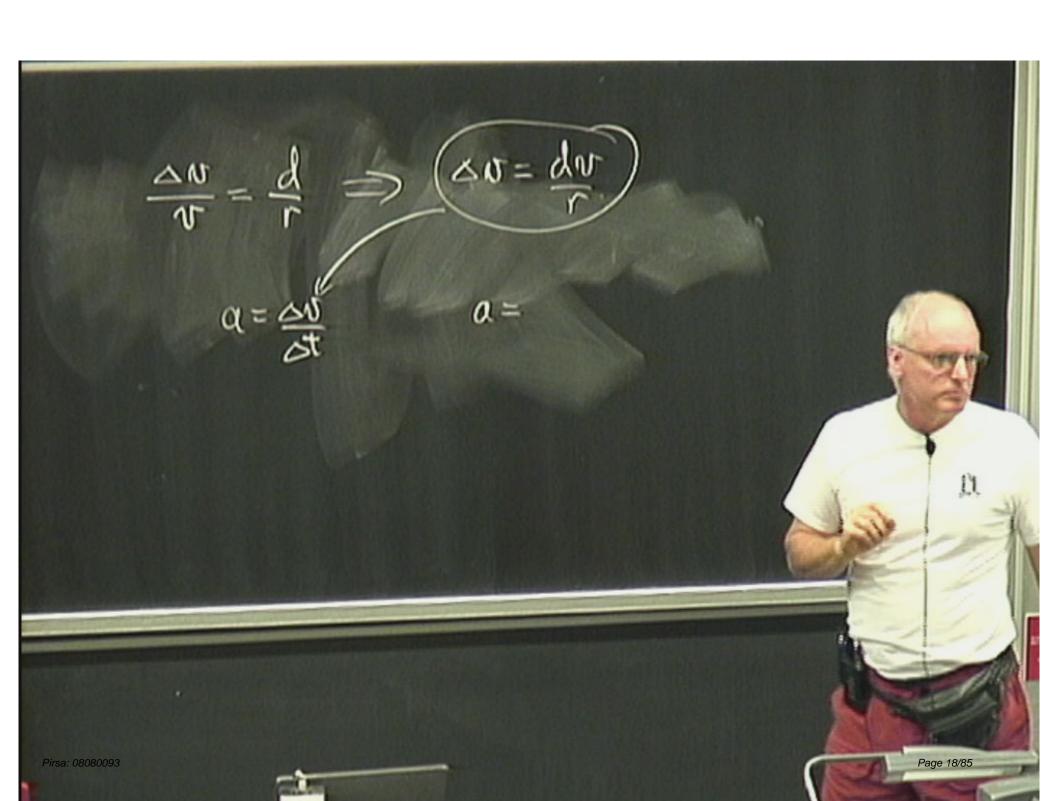


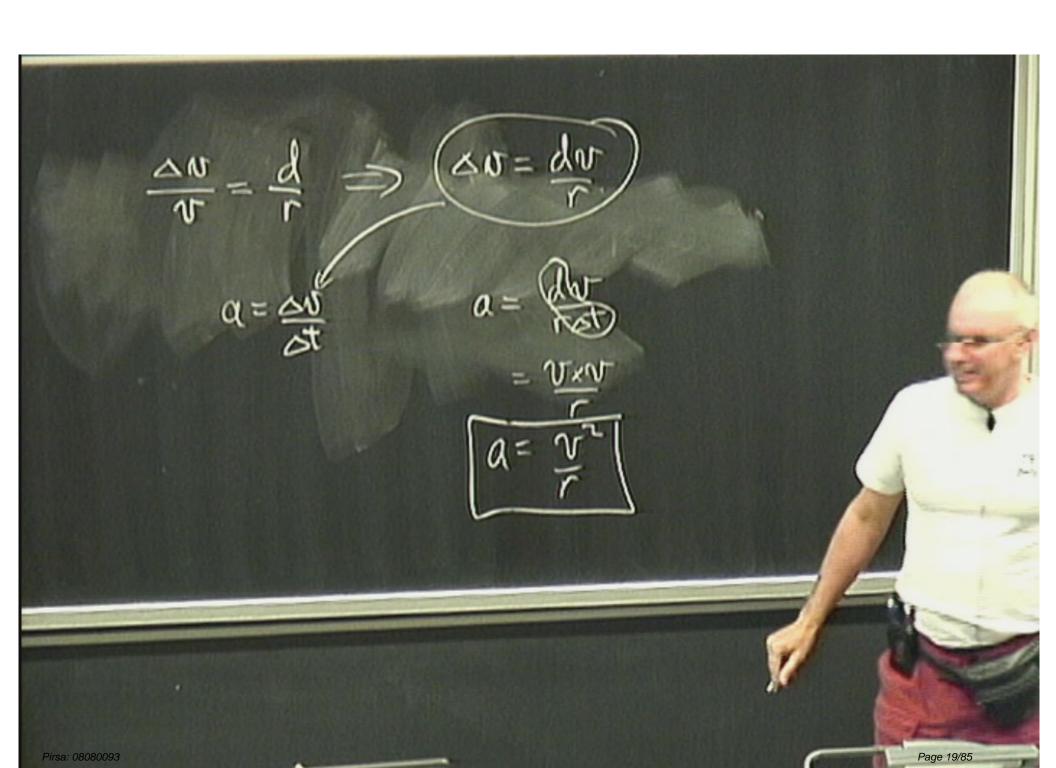


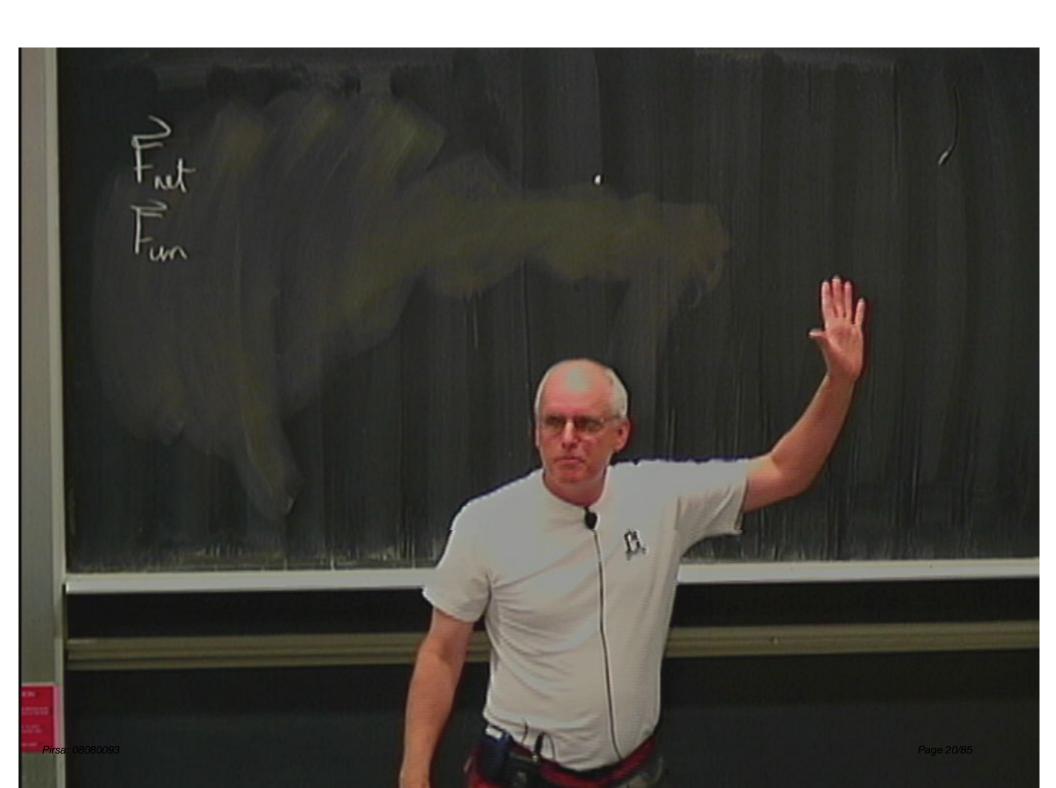


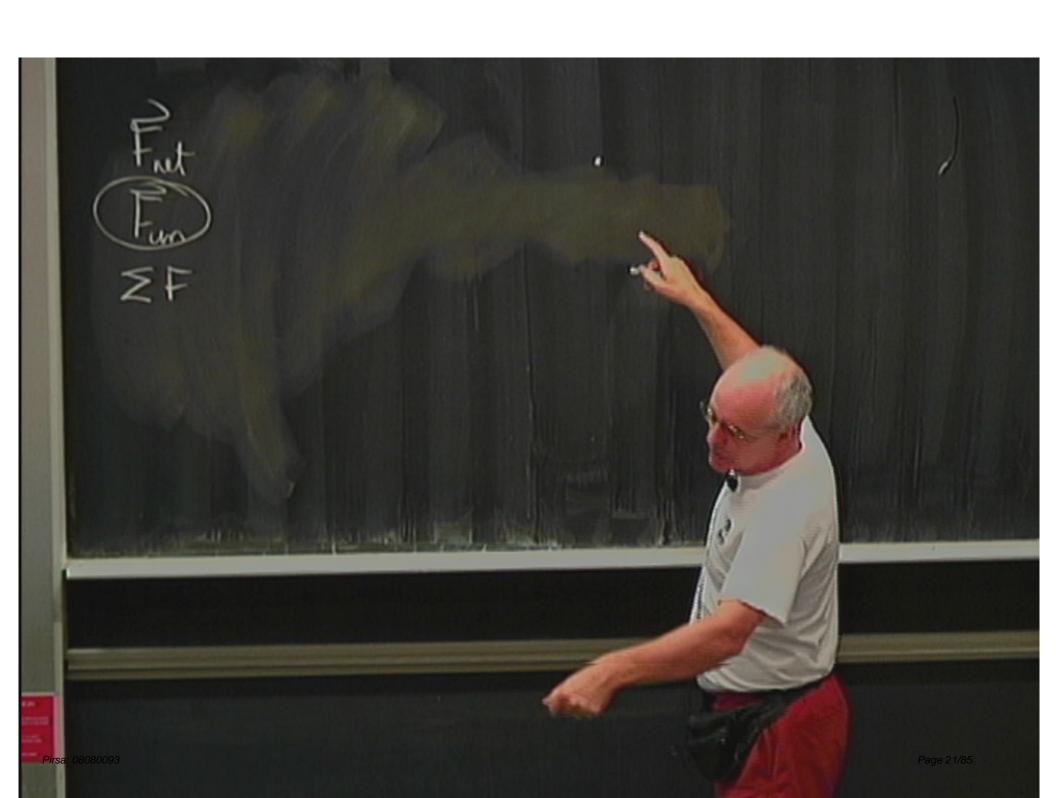


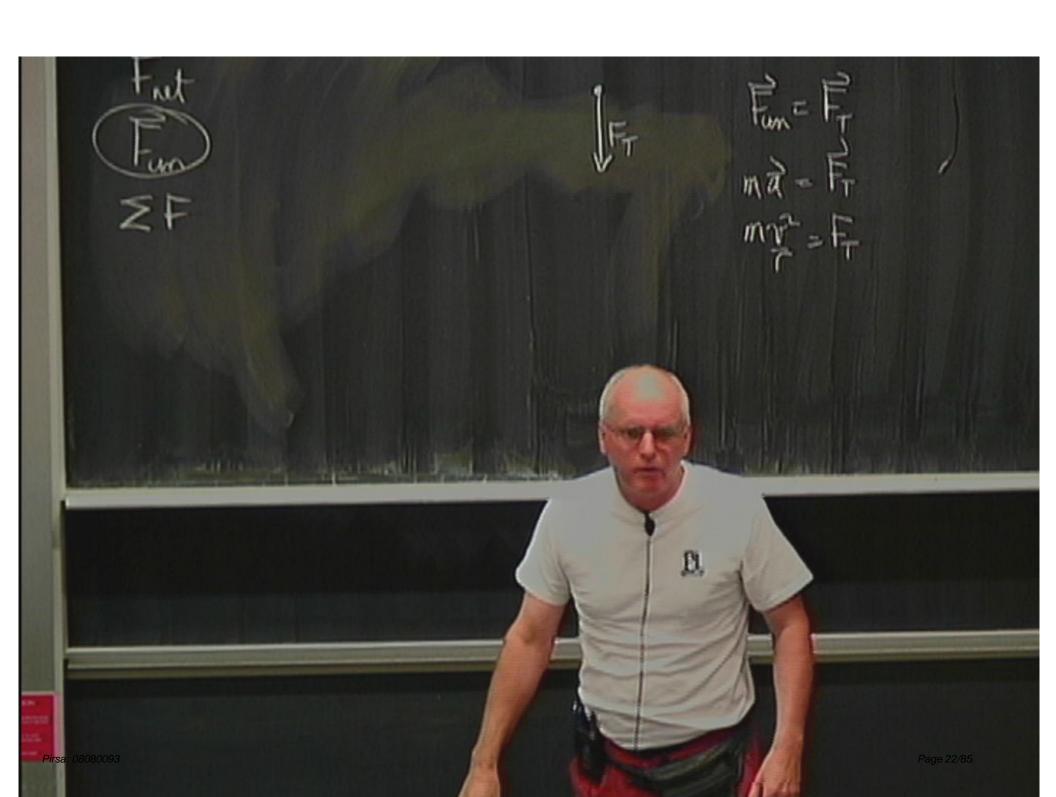






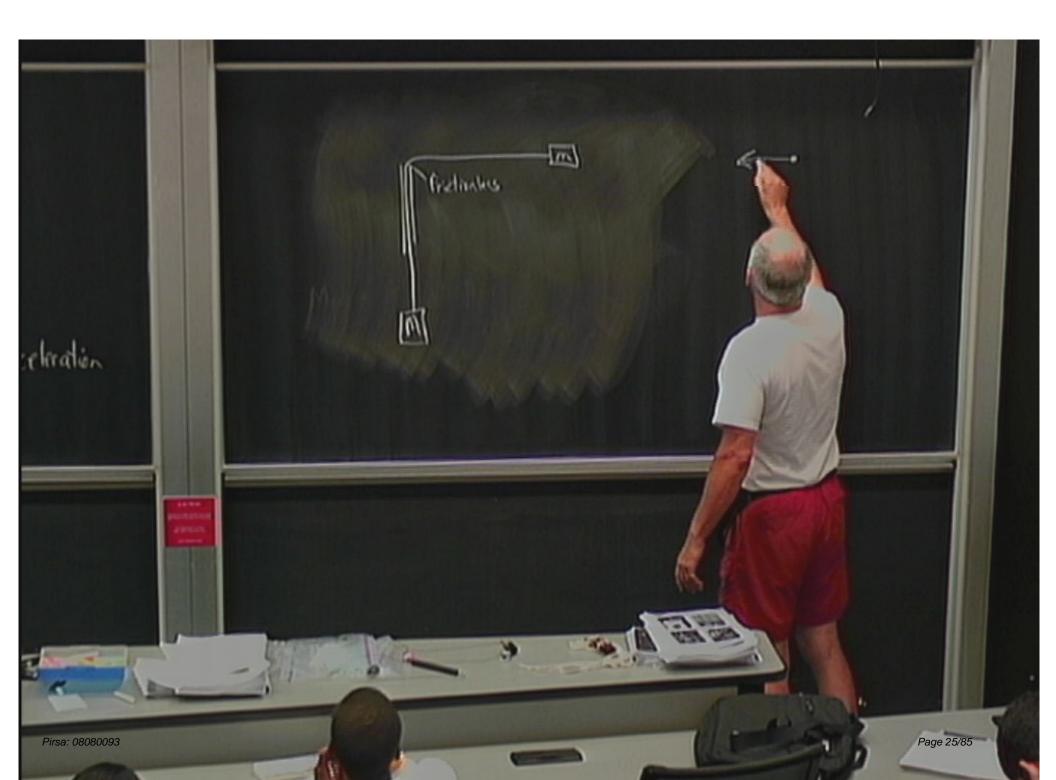


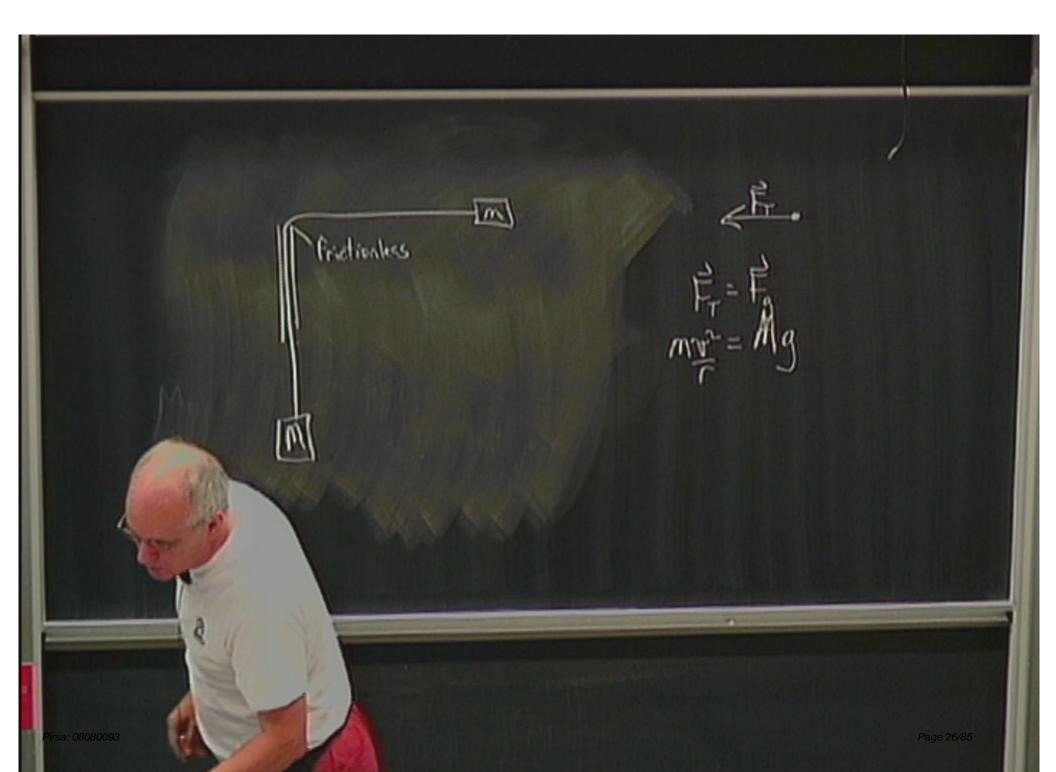


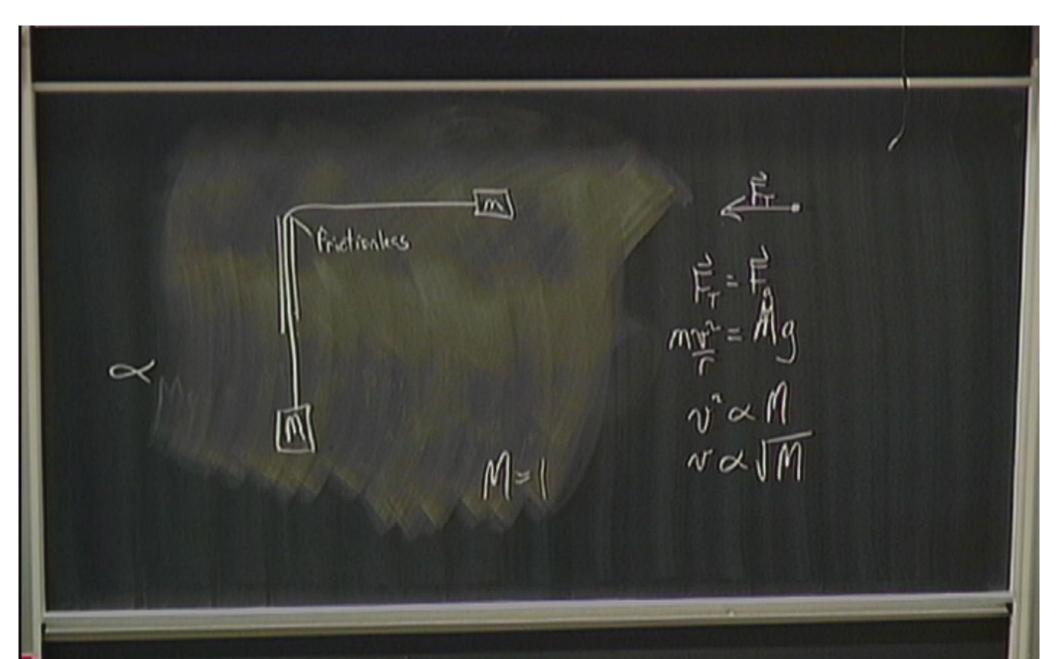


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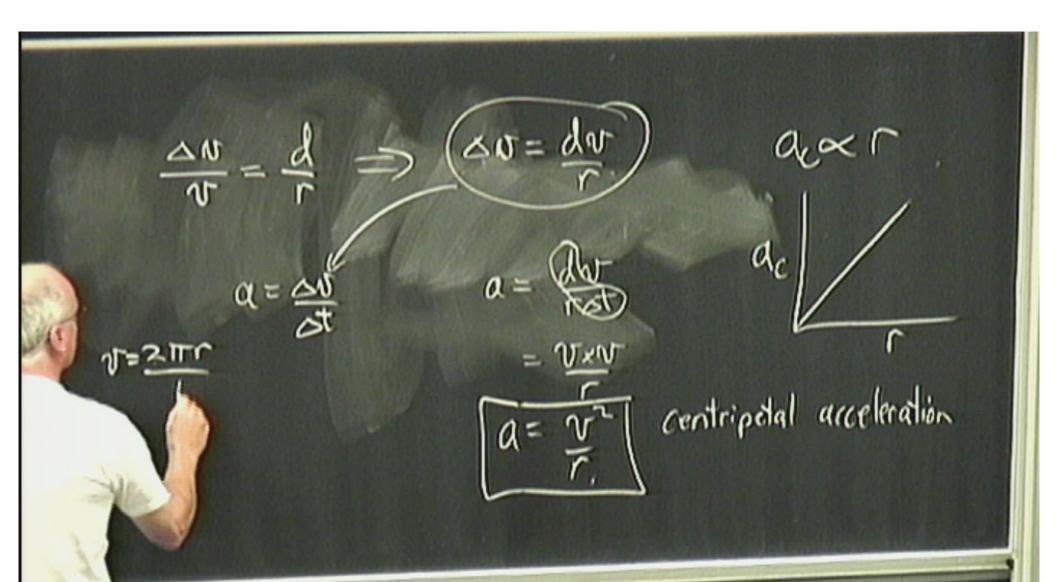
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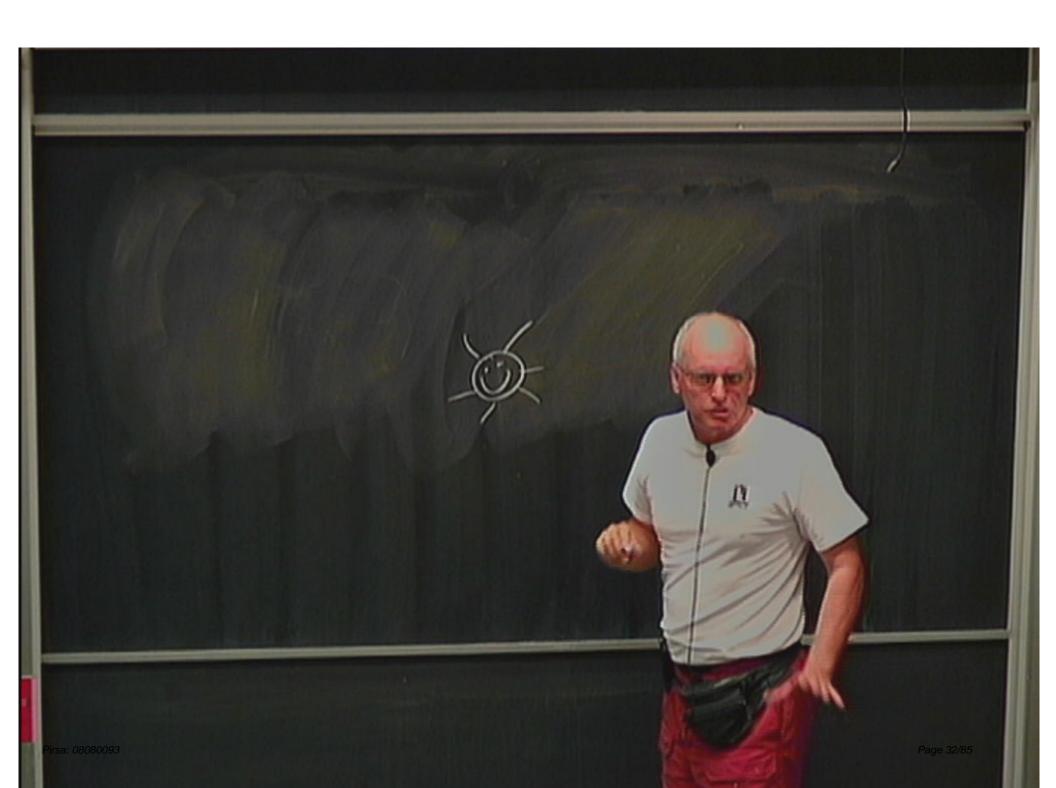


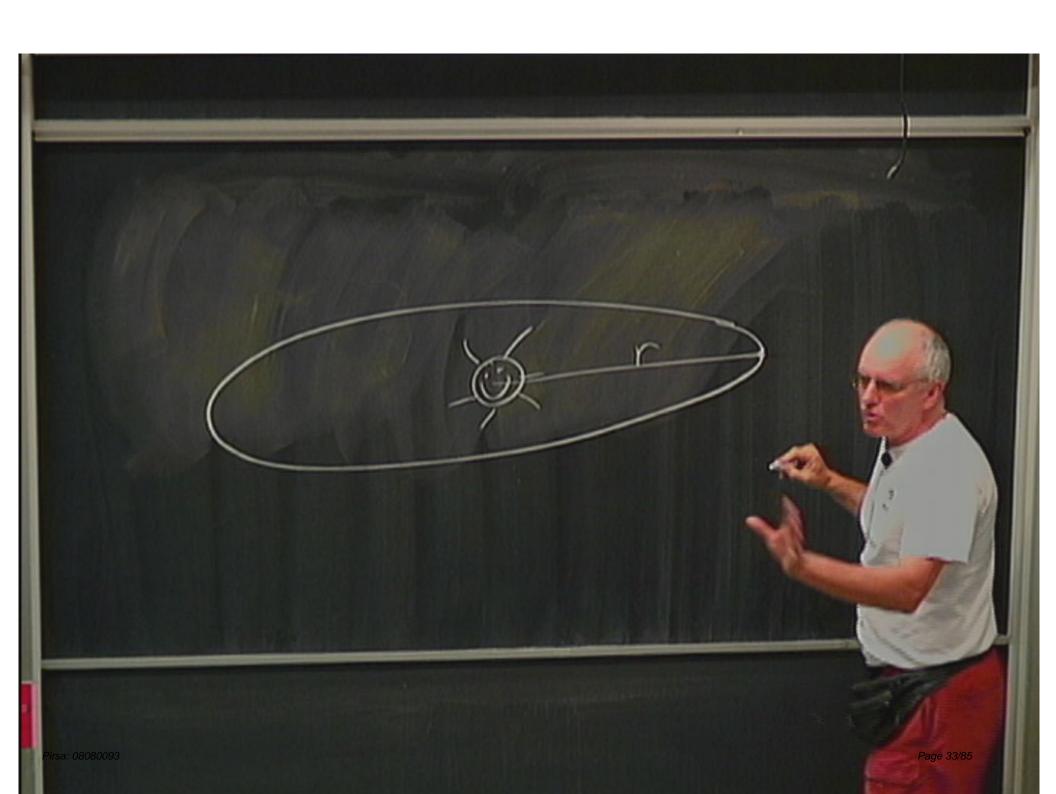
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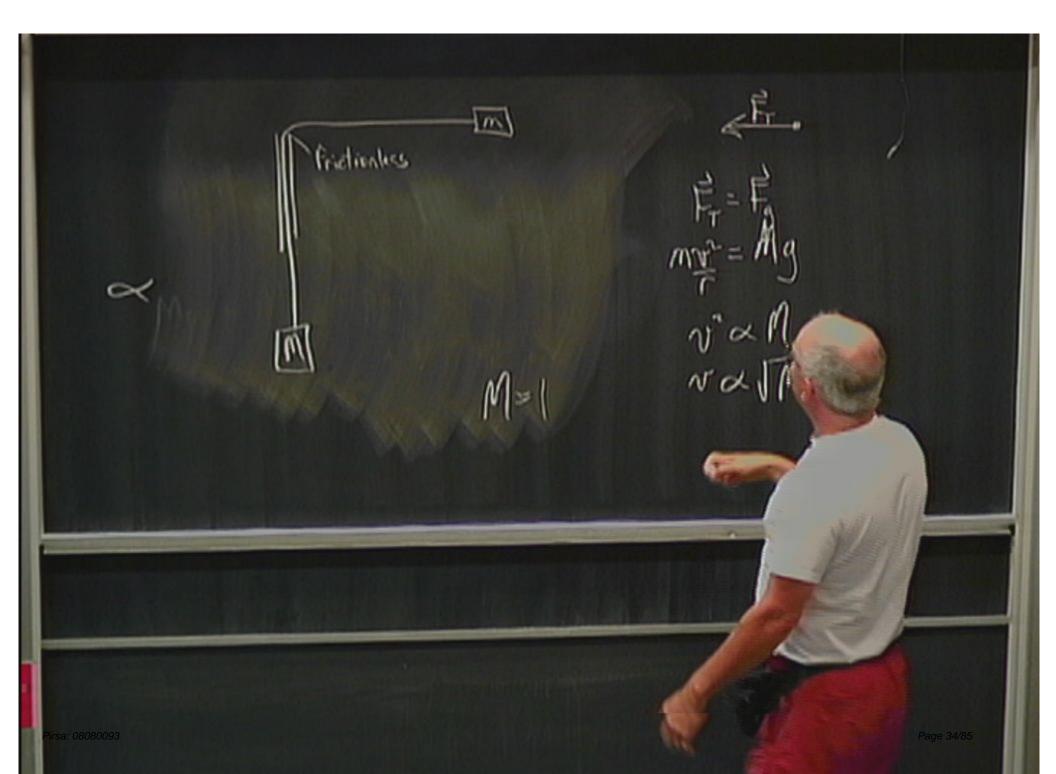


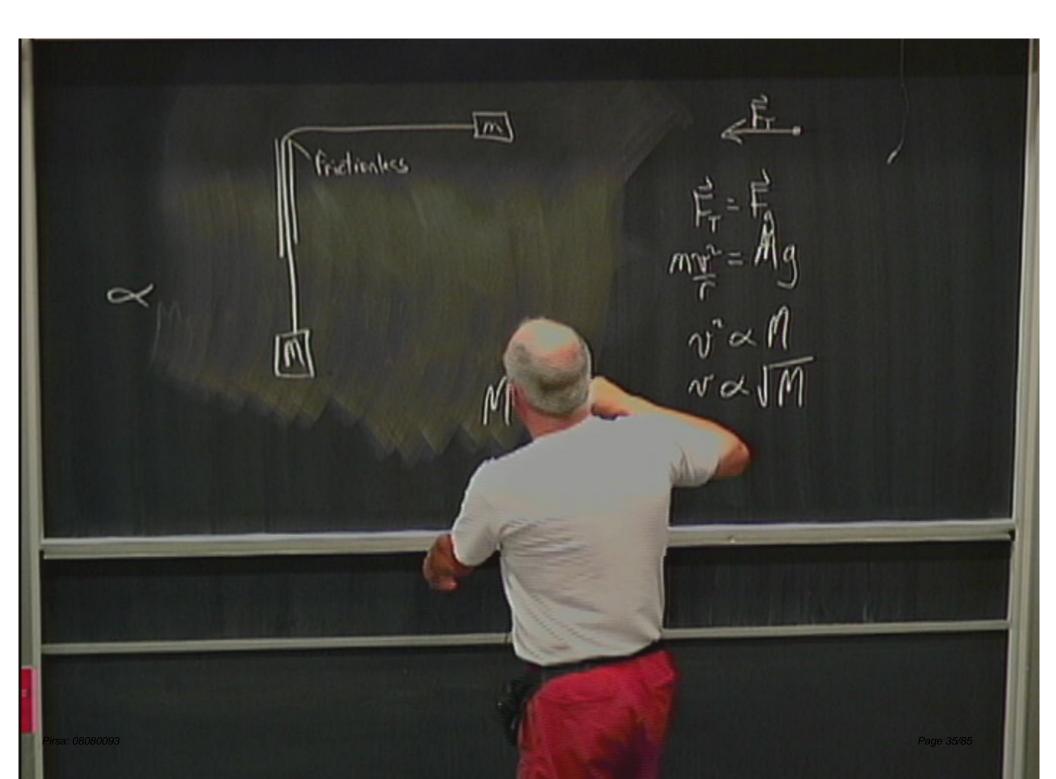
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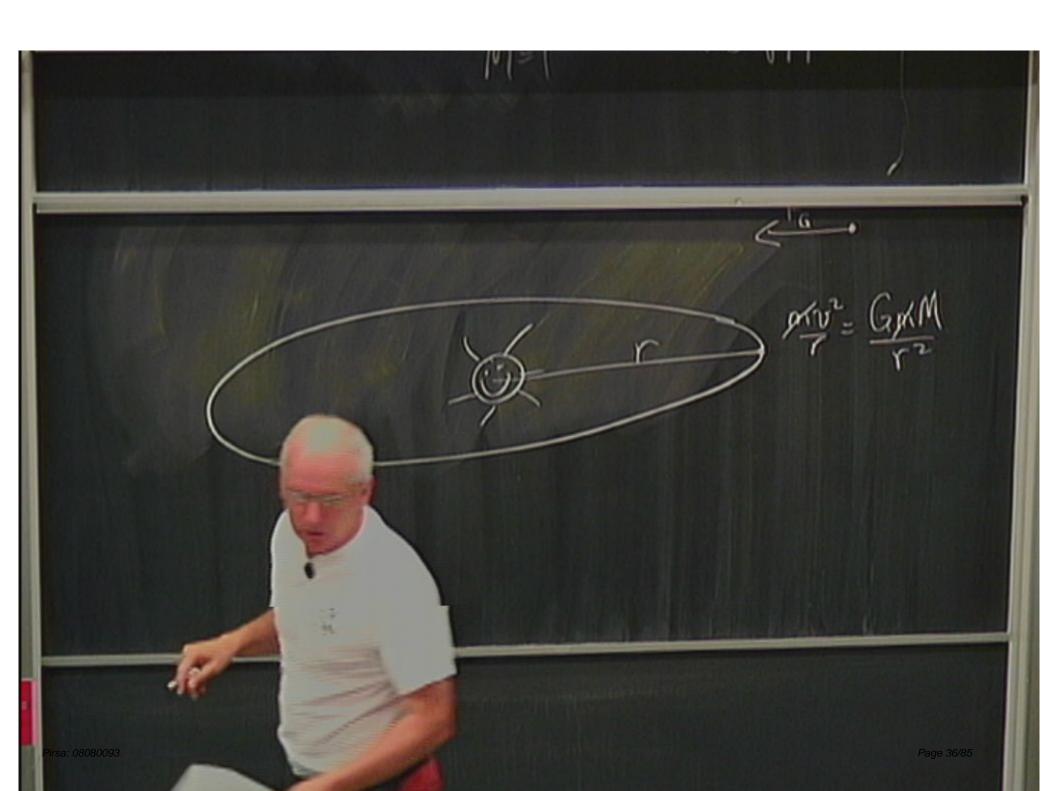
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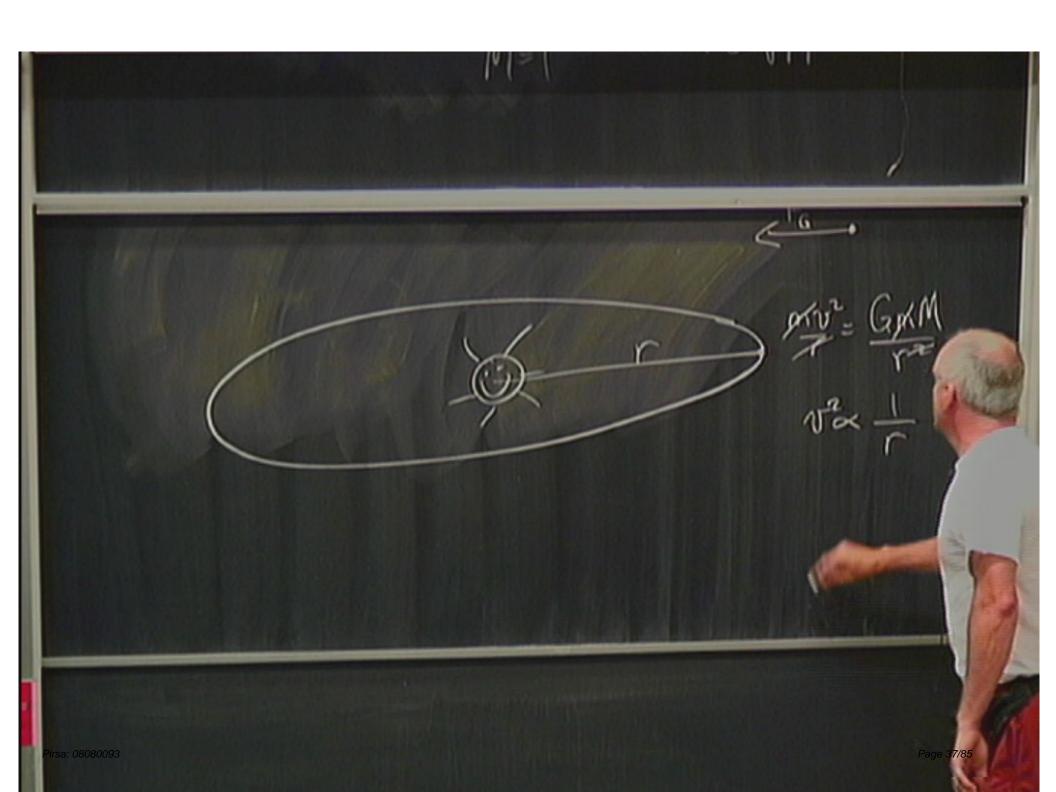


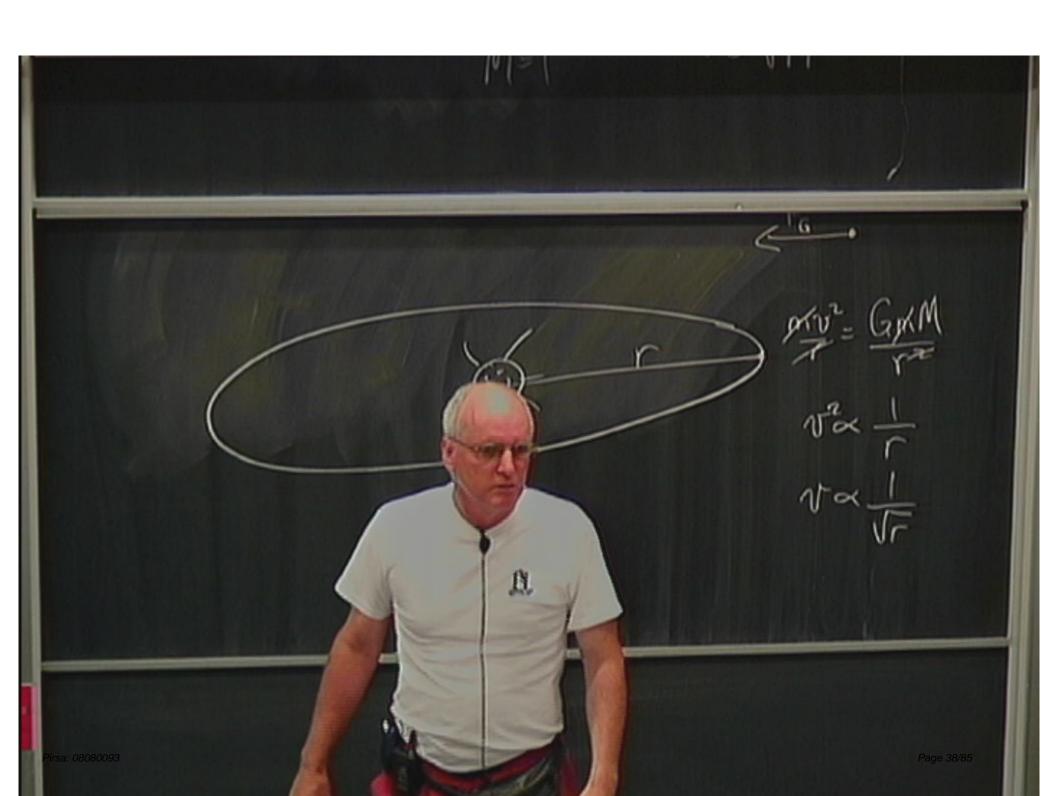


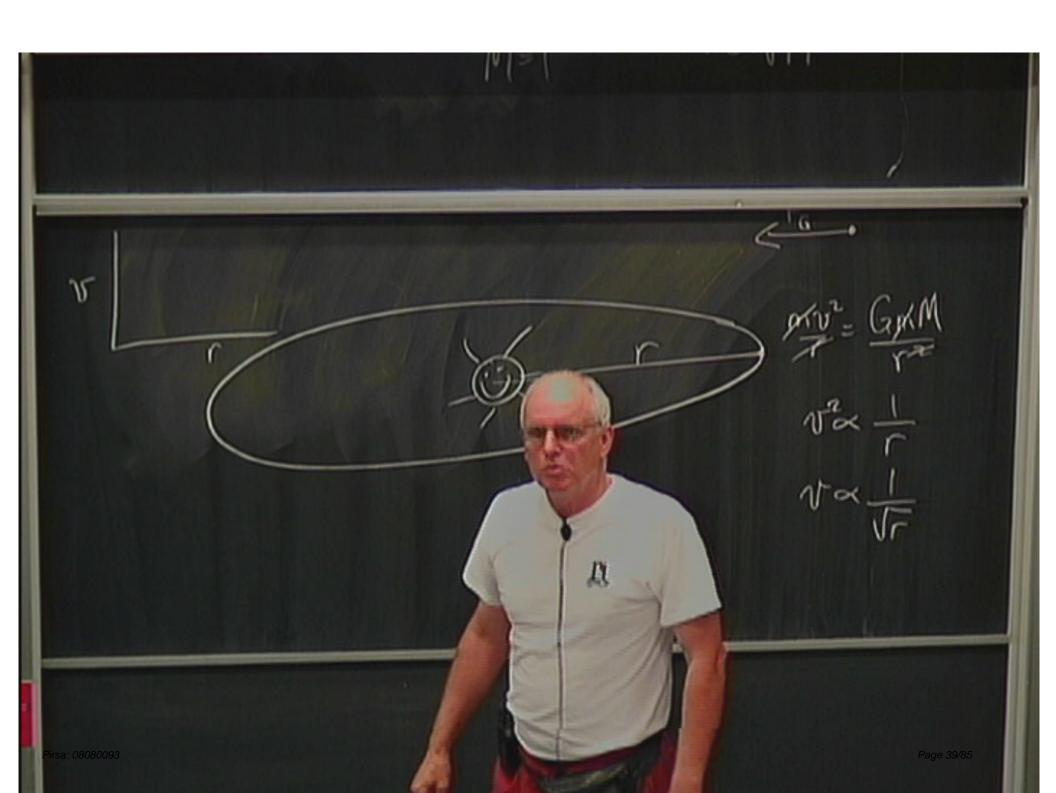




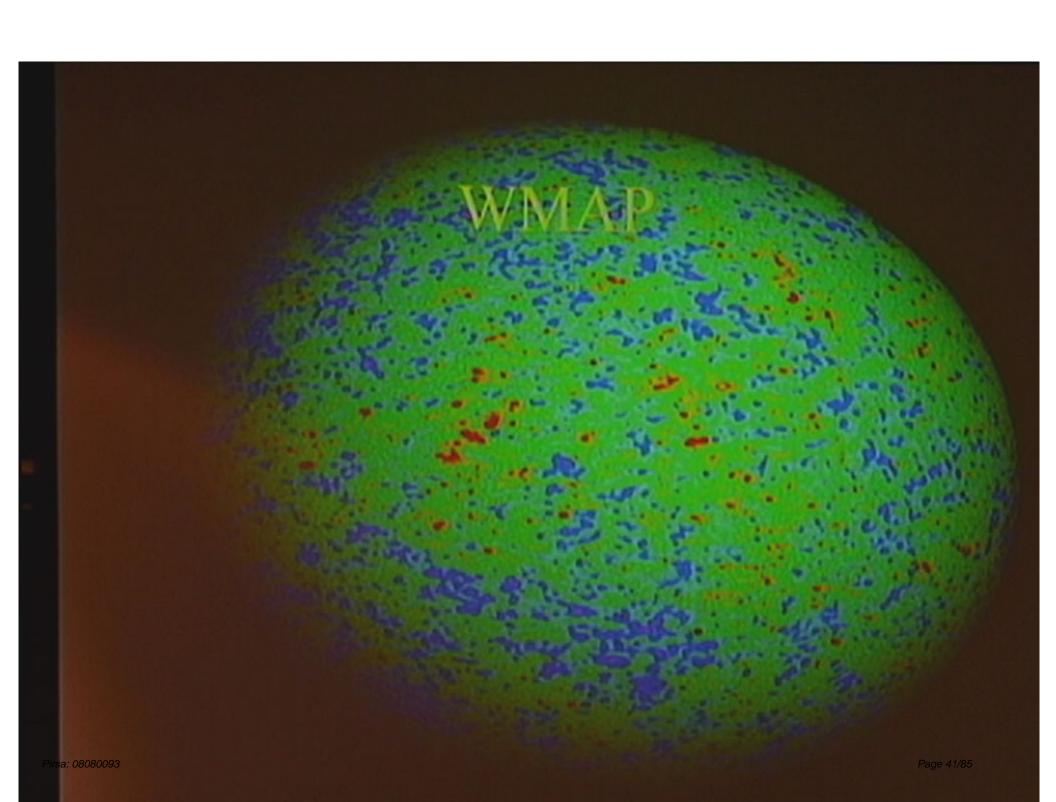


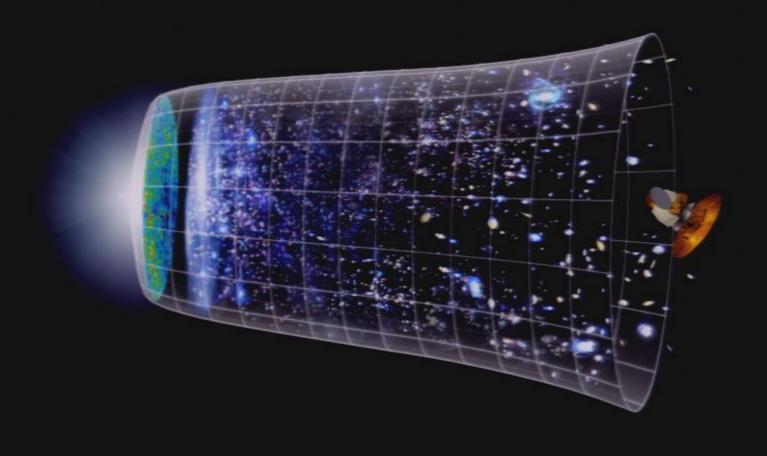




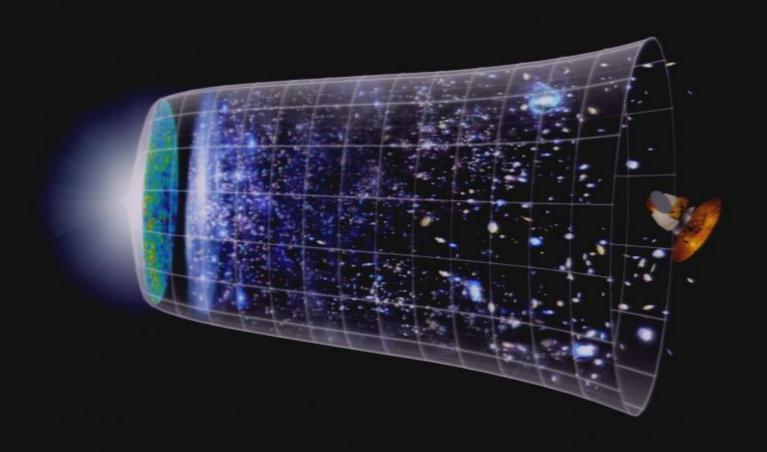




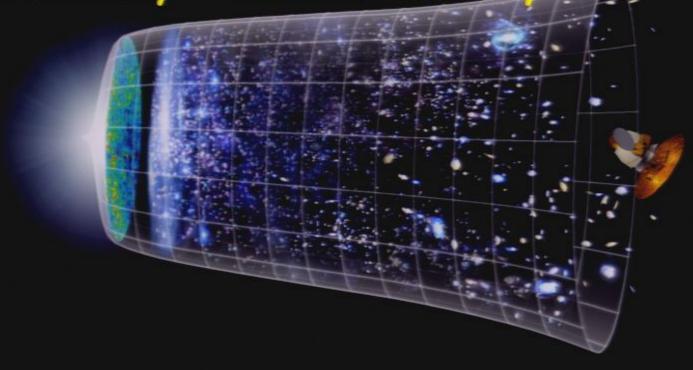




Baryons = you, me, cows, planets, stuff...



Total Density ~ Critical Density



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Theory of inflation, measurement of microwave background: $\Omega_{\text{Tot}} = 21$

Total Density ~ Critical Density

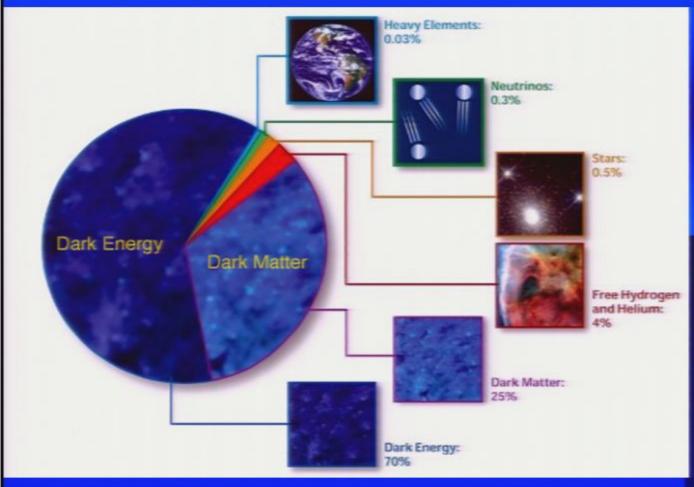
Theory of inflation, measurement of microwave

background: $\Omega_{Tot} = -1$

Baryon Density small

Ω_{Barvons} ~ 5 %

The Density Budget of the Universe



Hubble witnesses a cosmic tug of war

Hubble has detected the presence of dark energy in the young Universe, it appears that the cosmic "tug of war" between the pull of dark matter and the push of dark energy began at least 9 billion years ago, well before dark energy gained the upper hand and began accelerating the expansion of the Universe.









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The Dark Side of the Universe

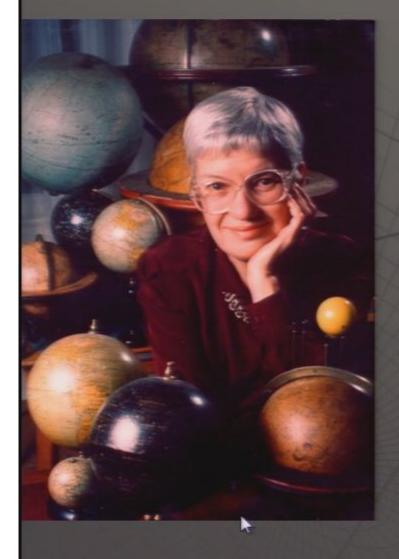
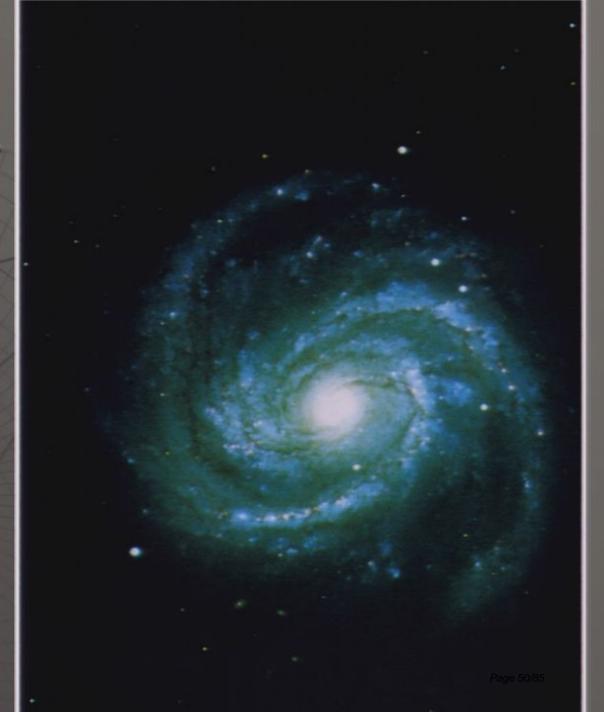


Photo credit: Mark Godfres

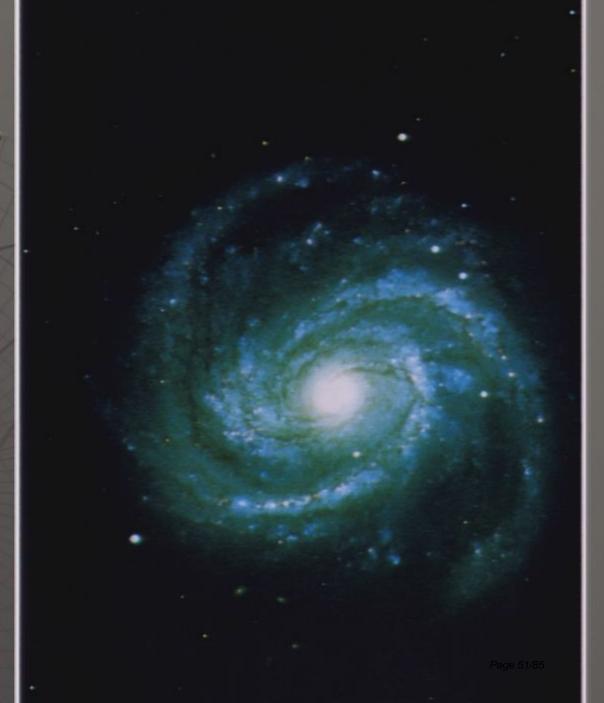
Vera Rubin determined the velocities as a function of distance from the galactic center of clouds of ionized hydrogen (in astrophysical terminology, HII regions). This was done by measurement of the Doppler shift of their Halpha emission lines. The hydrogen clouds move with the stars and other visible matter in the galaxies. Their velocities are more easily and directly measured than other visible matter.

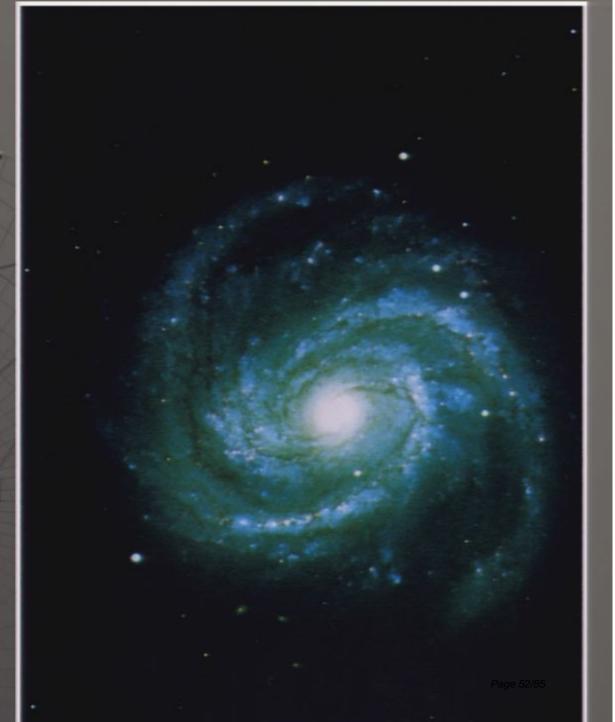
Rubin found that the velocities of the clouds did not decrease with increasing distance from the galactic center, and in some cases even increased a little. This is in striking contrast to the decrease in velocity with radius predicted by Keplerian motion, which would occur if all the mass of the galaxy were concentrated in the center of the galaxy.

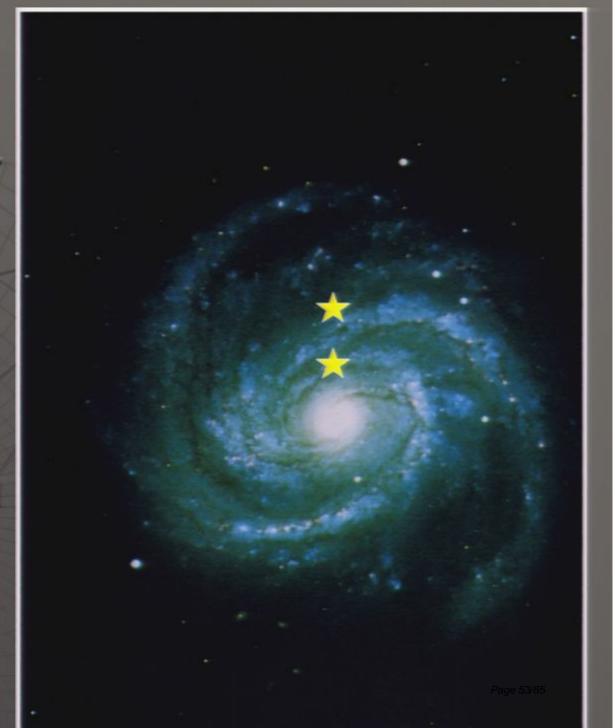
Detailed observations were first made by Rubin and W.K. Ford of the Andromeda galaxy and published in "Rotation of the Andromeda Nebula from a Spectroscopic Survey of Emission Regions," Astrophysical Journal 159, 379 (1970). They then made observations of over 60 other spiral galaxies which apparently confirmed that the presence of dark matter was a general phenomenon ["Rotation Velocities of 16 Sa Galaxies and a Comparison of Sa, Sb, and Sc Rotation Properties," Astrophys. J. 289, 81 (1985), with D. Burstein, W. K. Ford, Jr., and N. Thonnard



Which way does it rotate?



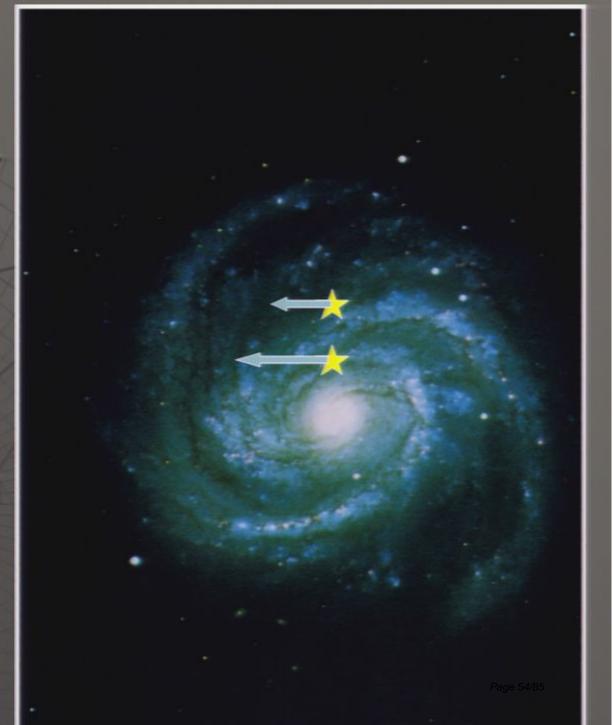




How does it rotate? i.e. what is rotation curve?

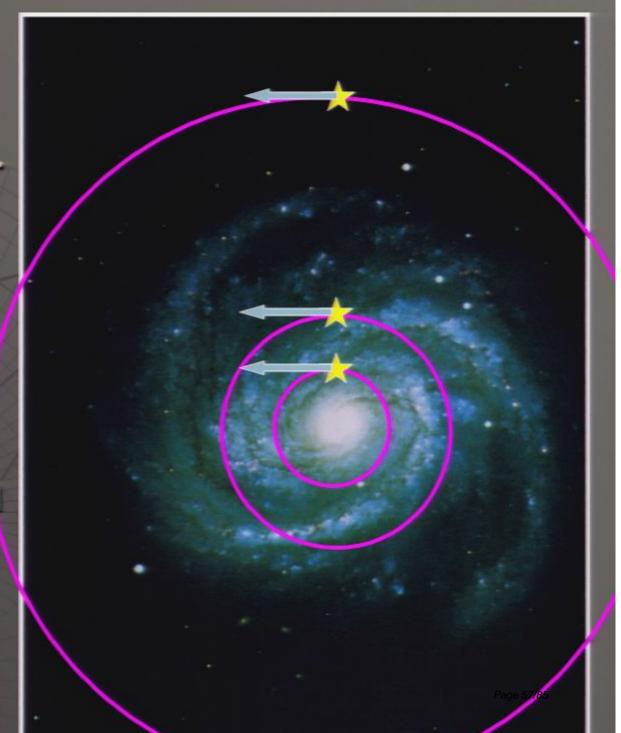
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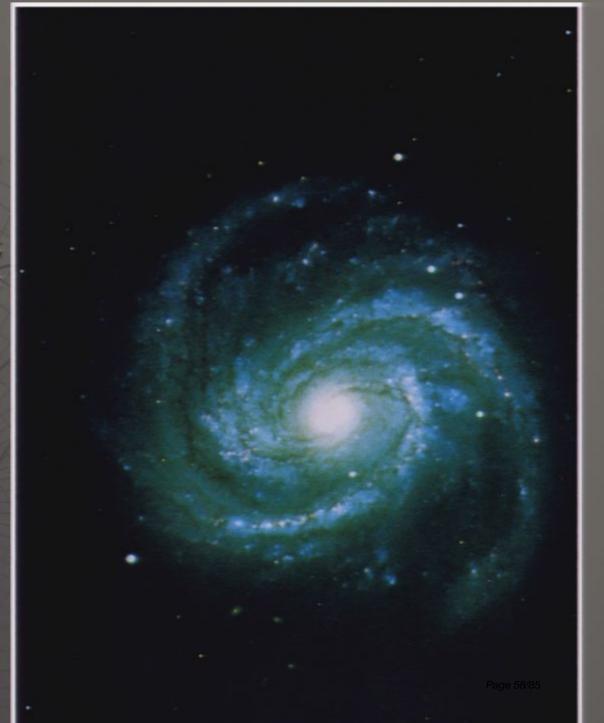








We believe that only 10% of the mass of this object is baryonic matter (in the form of stars, stellar remnants, interstellar gas, interstellar dust) and the other 90% is "dark matter"

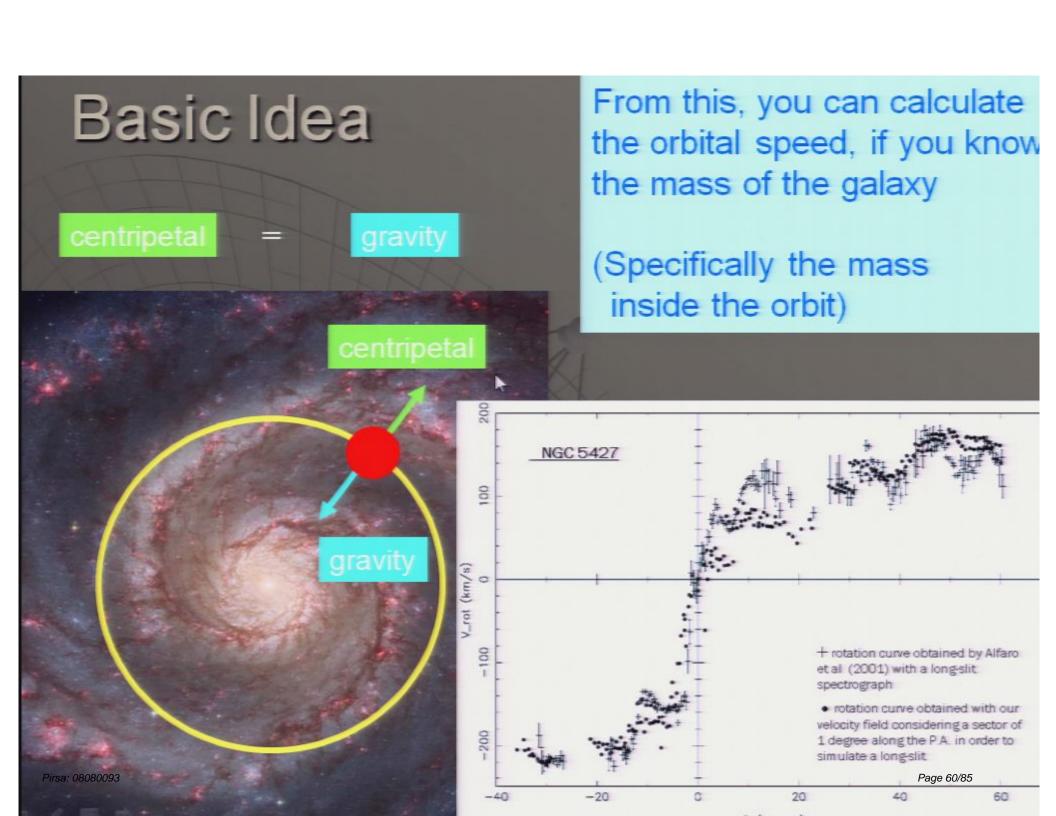


Vera Rubin

showed that 90% of a typical galaxy's mass is "dark matter"



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Keeping the Math Weenies Happy

Newton's Law of Gravity

$$F_G = G \frac{Mm_{\text{star}}}{r_{\text{orbit}}^2}$$

Do

Orbital Force

$$F_{\text{orbital}} = \frac{m_{\text{star}} v^2}{r_{\text{orbit}}}$$

"Relevant" Mass

$$M = M_{\text{galaxy}} \frac{r_{\text{orbit}}^3}{r_{\text{sphere}}^3}$$

 $M_{
m galaxy}$ outside

Approach

$$F_G = F_{\text{orbital}}$$

Answer (inside)

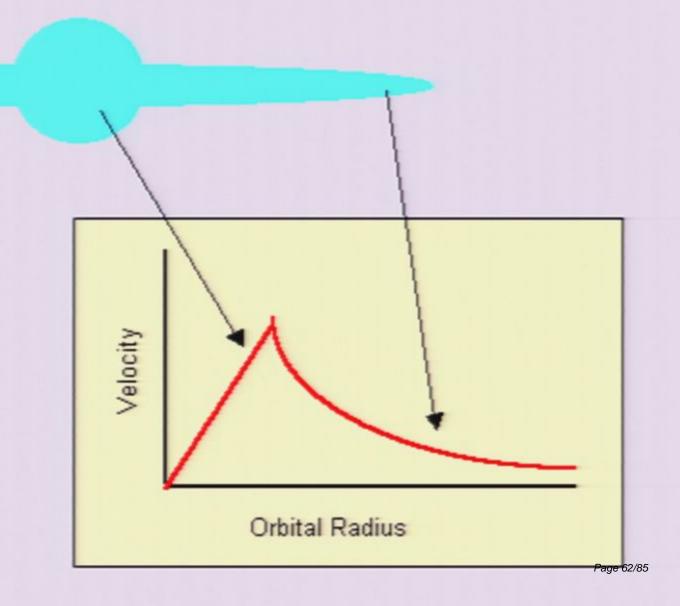
$$v = \frac{\sqrt{GM_{\rm galaxy}}}{r_{\rm sphere}^3} r_{orbit} \propto r_{orbit}$$

Answer (outside)

$$v = \frac{\sqrt{GM_{\rm galaxy}}}{\sqrt{r_{\rm orbit}}} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{r_{\rm orbit}}}$$

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"Expected" Galactic Rotation Speeds



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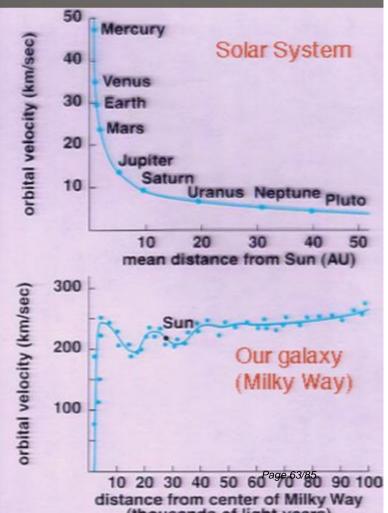
Evidence for "dark matter"

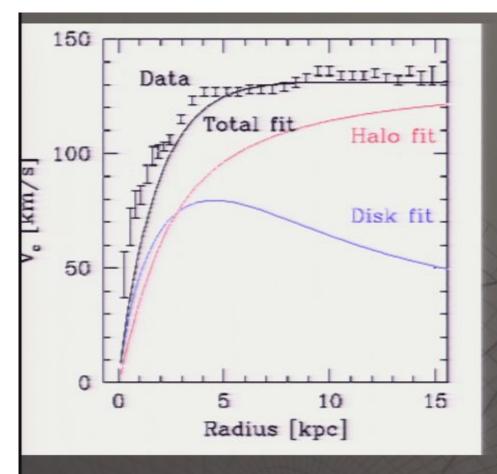


By Newton's law: density drops like r⁻² at large radii and mass interior M(r) is proportional to r at large radii. When r becomes greater then the extent of mass the velocities should drop like r^{-1/2} (as in solar System Graph). The problem what we observe is in the graph below..

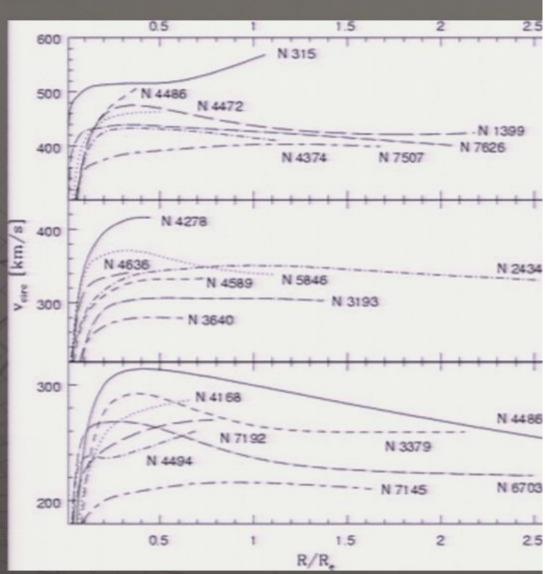
Galactic rotation curves

(velocity of stars in periphery far is too high)

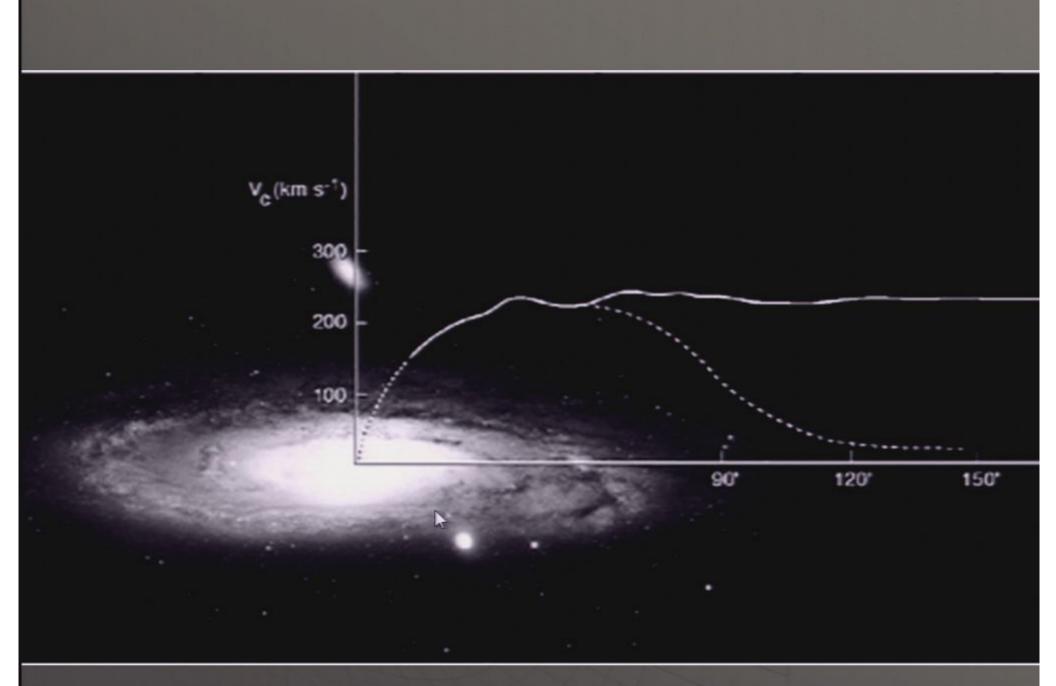




GC 2403: rotation velocity as a function of distance from center. The rotation curve s fitted well by a disk of luminous matter and a halo of dark matter.



Rotation curves for 21 elliptical galaxies.



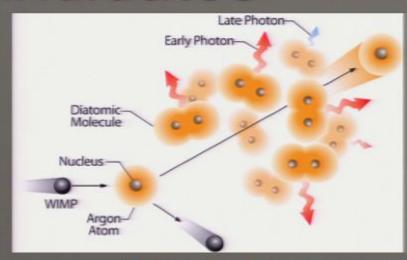
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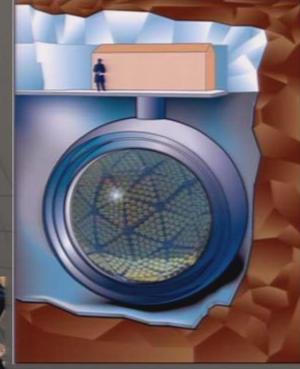
W.I.M.P: Weakly interacting massive particle, Specifically the neutralino.

Neutralino from standard model it is the lightest of the hypothesized WIMPs, yet still it is up to 100 times more massive than a proton.

Its interactions are not electromagnetic, so we cannot see them at any wavelength.

They also don't feel the strong nuclear force, meaning that they rarely interact with atomic nuclei (rarely indicates that they sometimes do, and that is what WIMP observatories are looking for.



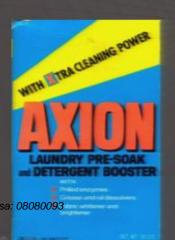


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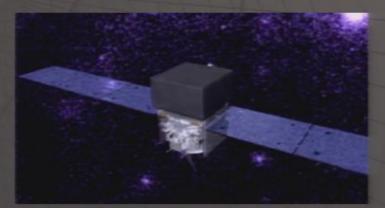
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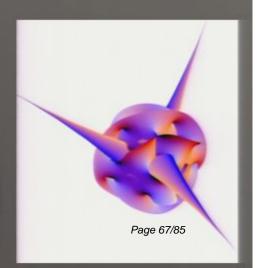
Axion

- This is a hypothetical particle that would solve an inconsistency within the Standard Model.
- It has barely a trillionth the mass of the electron.
- This particle would interact with a magnetic field, producing a signal strength of at most 10⁻²³ watt (the frequency is uncertain).



GLAST (Gamma-ray Large Area Space Telescope)





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Dark Matter not only Solution

Yes, Humond, there are other theories.

Kap-pla (excuse me)



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Mordehai Milgrom 1983



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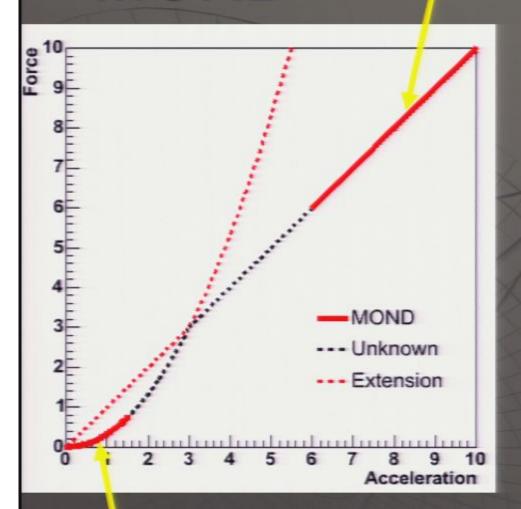




Newton was right for large accelerations, but for small accelerations, his formula breaks down?

MOND

Newton's Law



Comments and Thoughts:

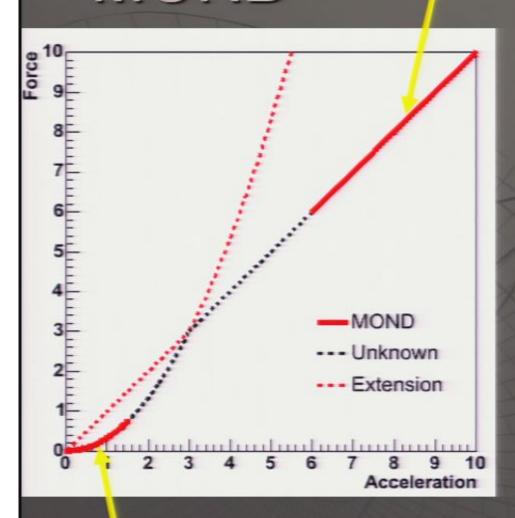
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Why hasn't anyone else seen this modification of Newton's laws?

MOND Modification

MOND

Newton's Law



Comments and Thoughts:

How does MOND go from one behavior to the other?

No Idea....

Why hasn't anyone else seen this modification of Newton's laws?

We're talking very small accelerations here...
1/10,000,000,000 ×
Earth's gravity.....
(10-9 m/s²)

MOND Modification

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MOND: Modification of Newtonian Dynamics

What if Newton was wrong?

$$F = ma$$

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$$F = \begin{cases} ma & a >> a_o \\ \frac{m}{a}a^2 & a << a_o \\ a \end{cases}$$

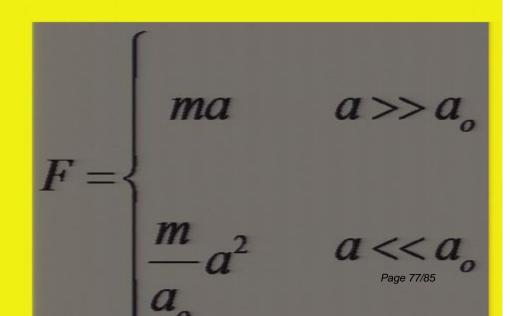
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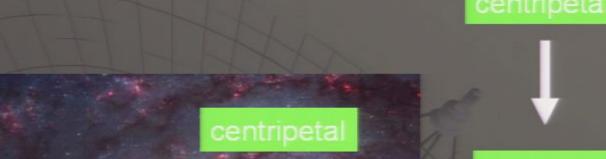
What is the characteristic scale of a_o ?

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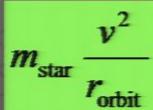
 $10^{-9} \, \text{m/s}^2$





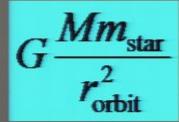


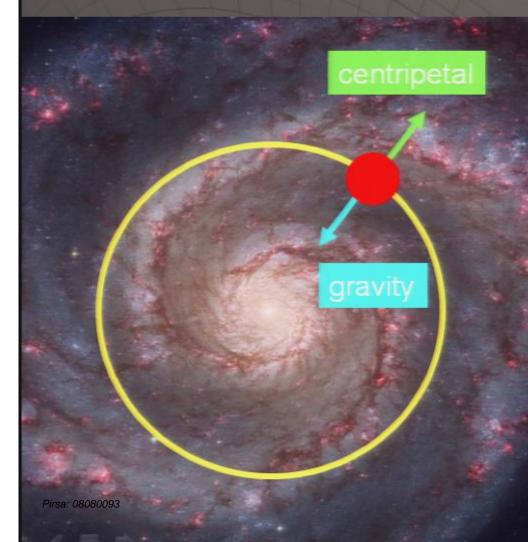






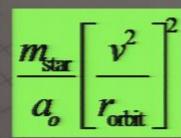






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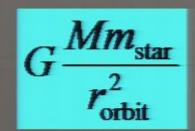


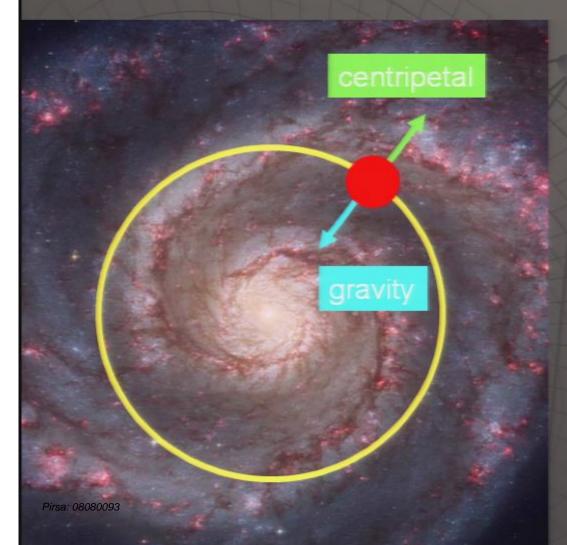




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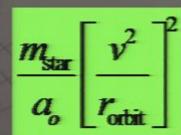












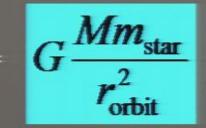






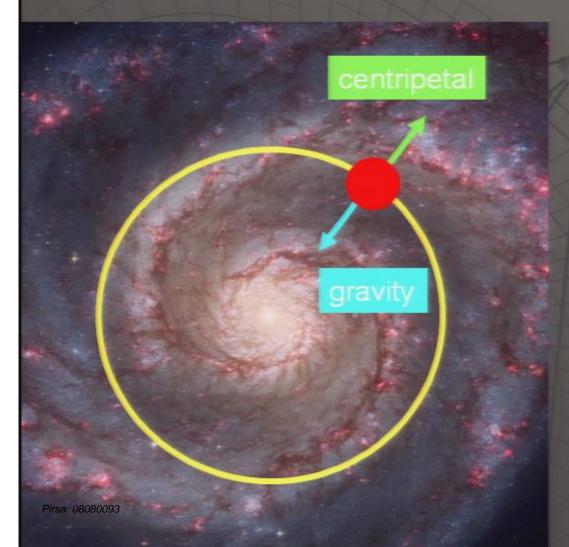
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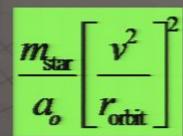












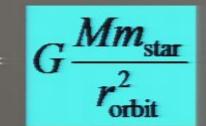






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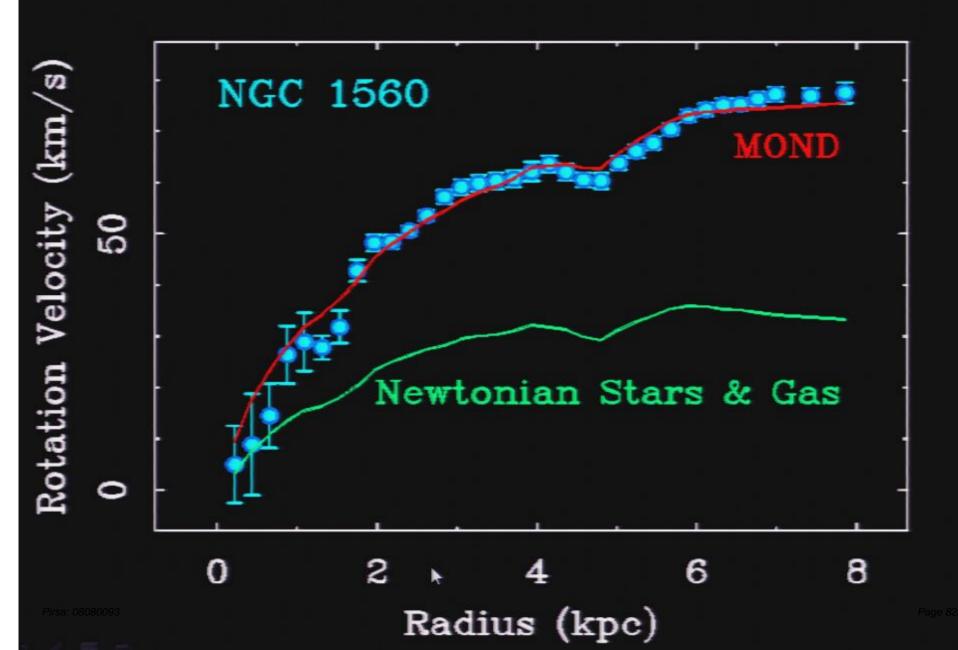




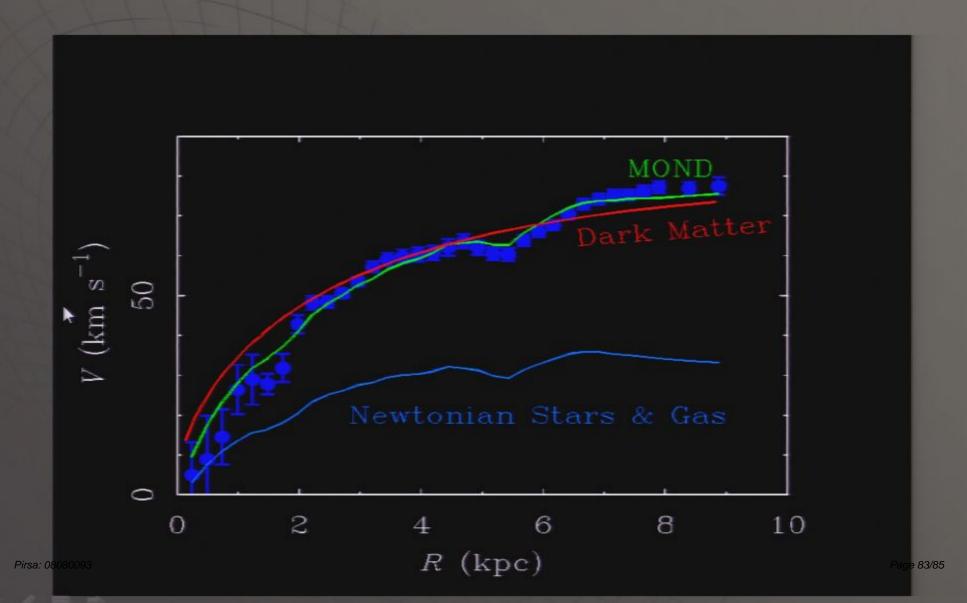




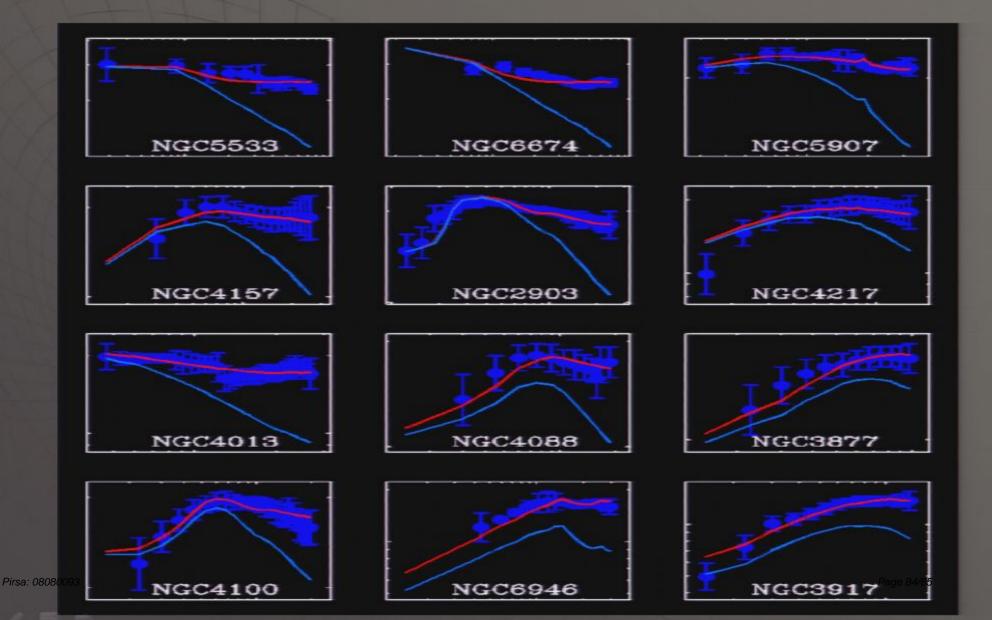
But does it week?



How about MOND vs DM



Lots of Data Fits



Blue is DM detected only by its Gravity (The one picture that changed it all)



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