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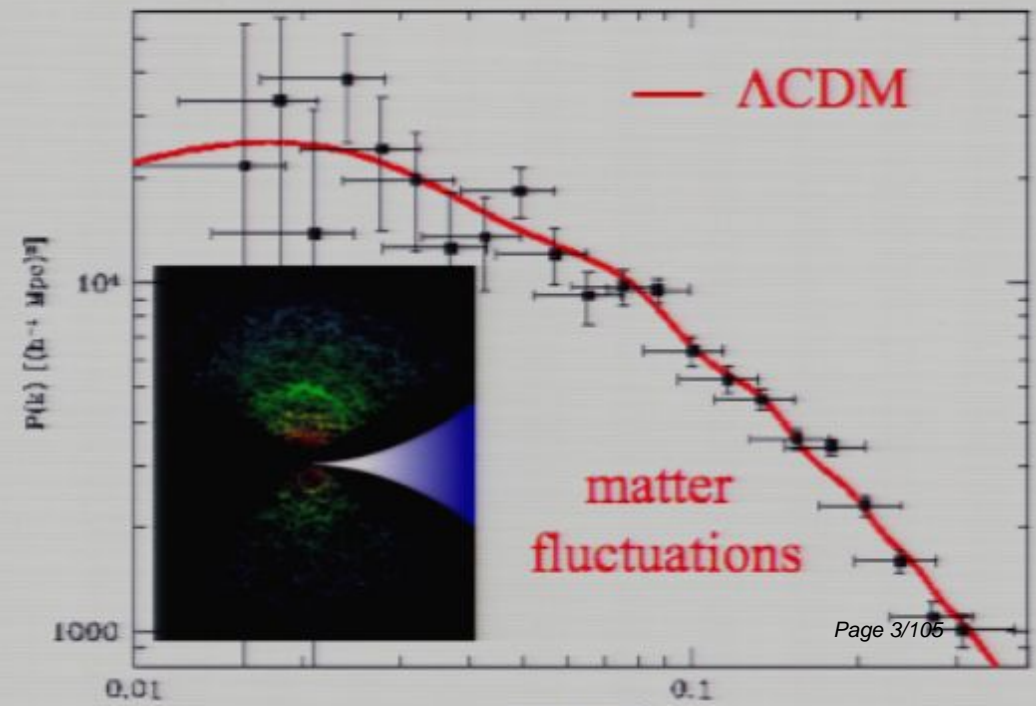
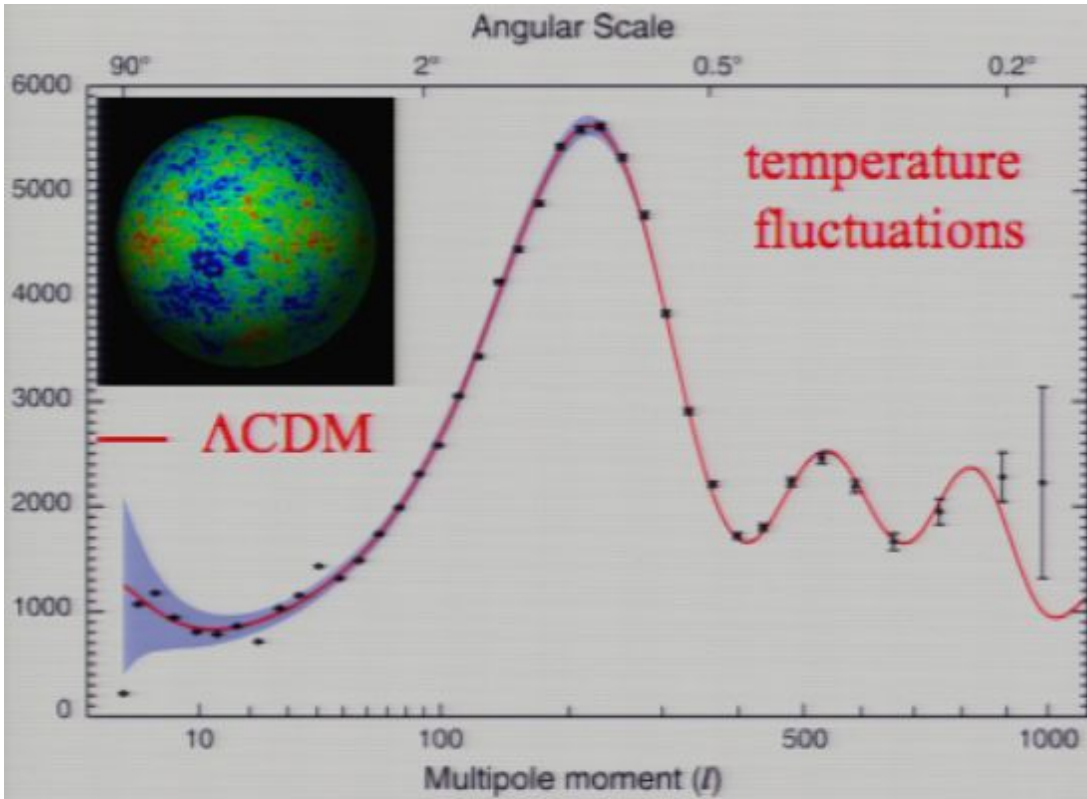
# Probing dark matter and the expansion history of the Universe with Ly $\alpha$ in absorption

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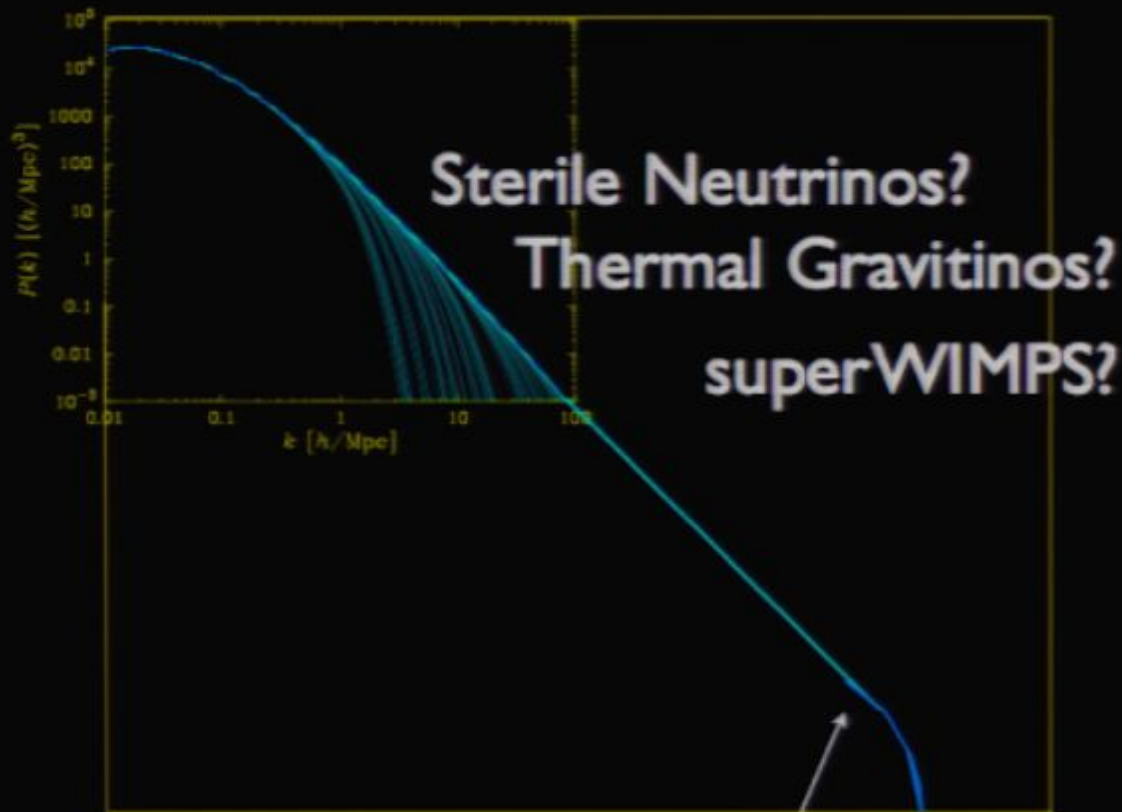




# How cold is dark matter?



# How far into the small-scale regime can we measure?



Sterile Neutrinos?  
Thermal Gravitinos?  
superWIMPS?

WIMP CDM

$k_c \sim 10^6 h/Mpc$

(Zaldarriaga & Loeb 2006)

Aberzajan

**cold dark matter:** free streaming scale so small that it is astrophysically irrelevant

**warm dark matter:** free streaming on galaxy scales

**hot dark matter:** free streaming on galaxy cluster or larger scales



## Potential problems with CDM aka “The small scale crisis”

- CDM may predict too many small mass objects
- CDM may predict DM haloes with profiles which are too cuspy at the centre



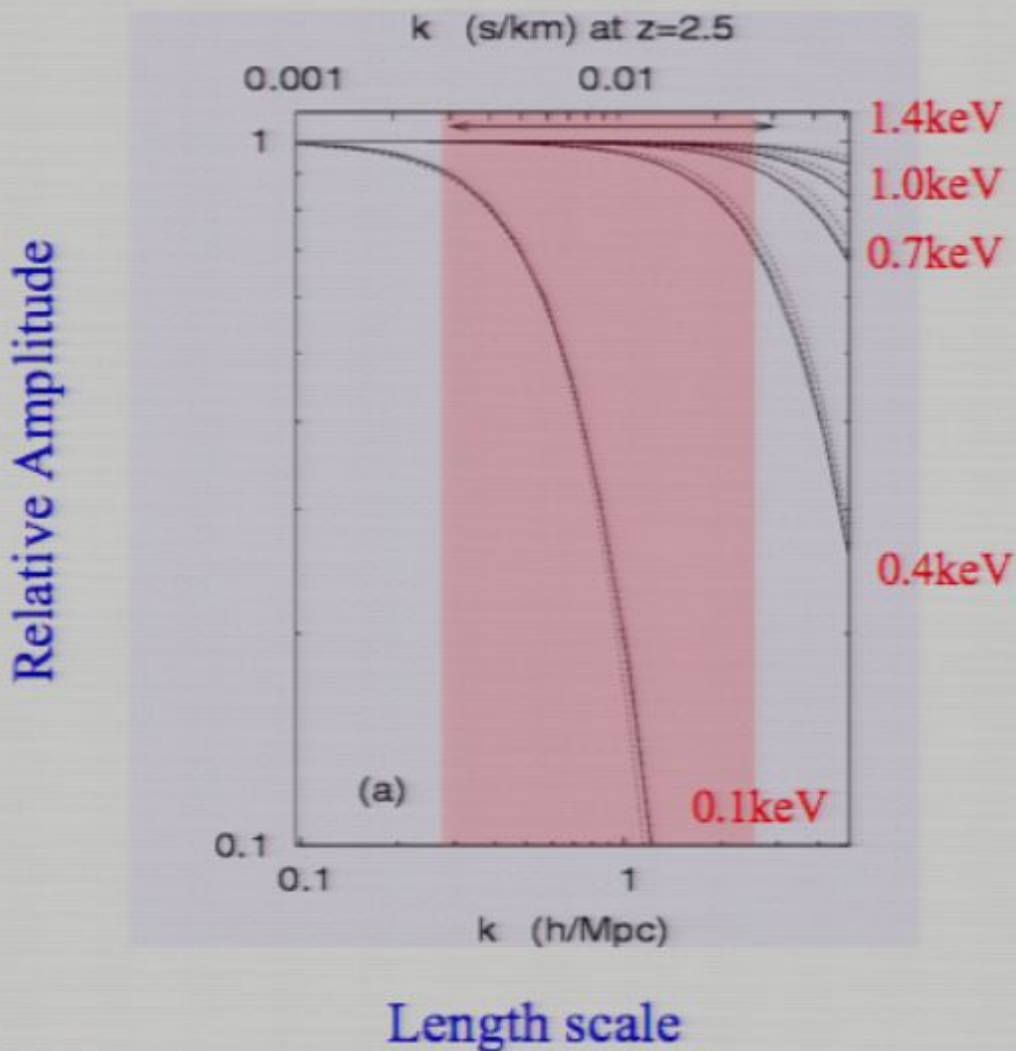
## Warm Dark Matter candidates

- early decoupling thermal relics
- sterile neutrinos
- gravitinos
- and many more





# Warm Dark Matter

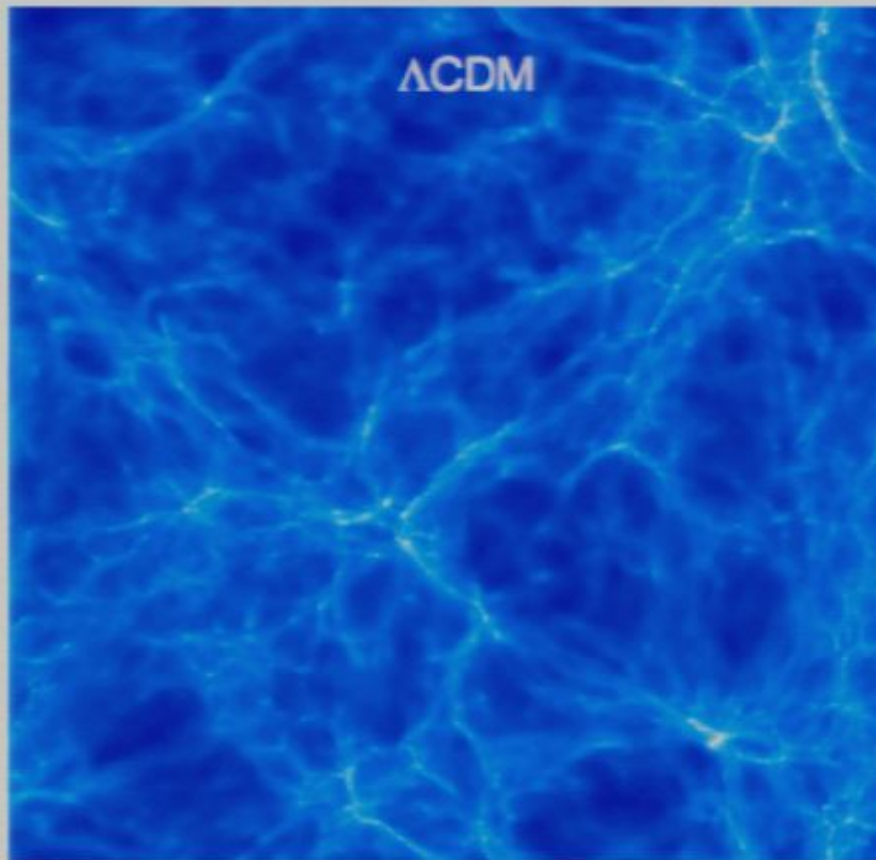


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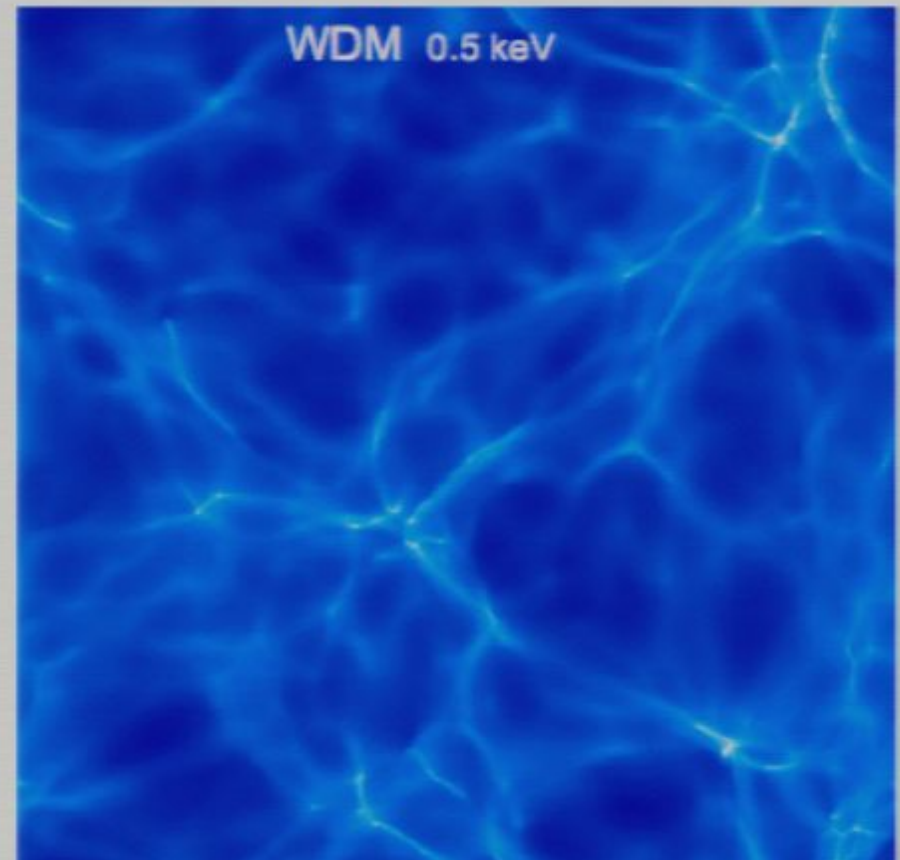


# Free-streaming erases structure

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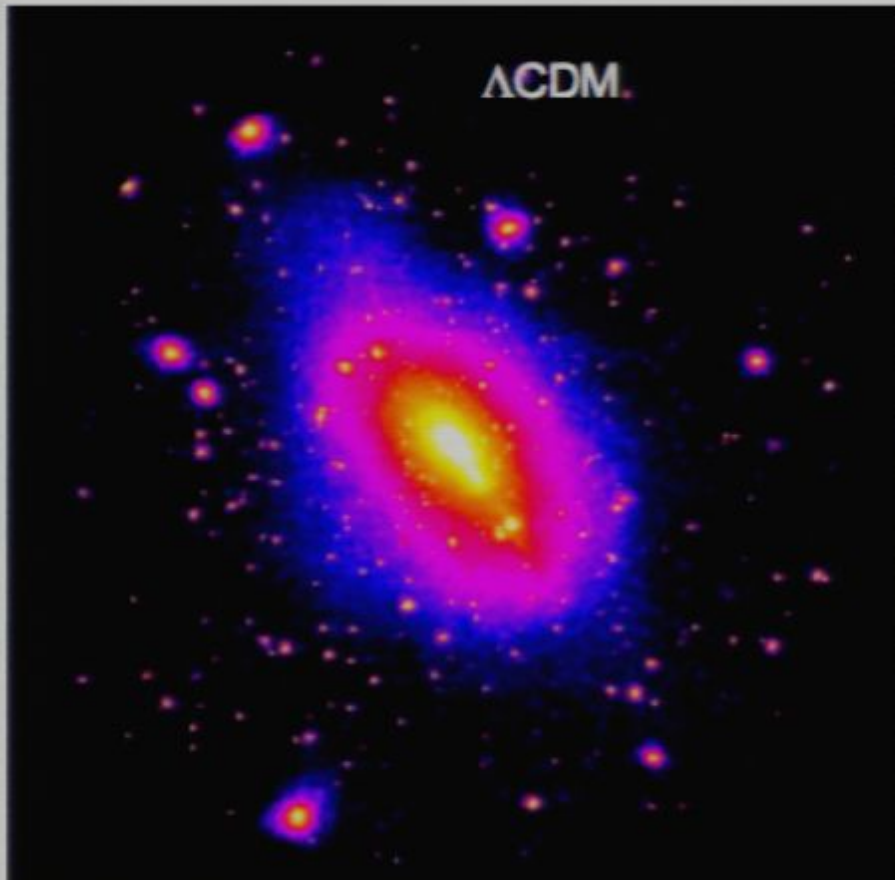


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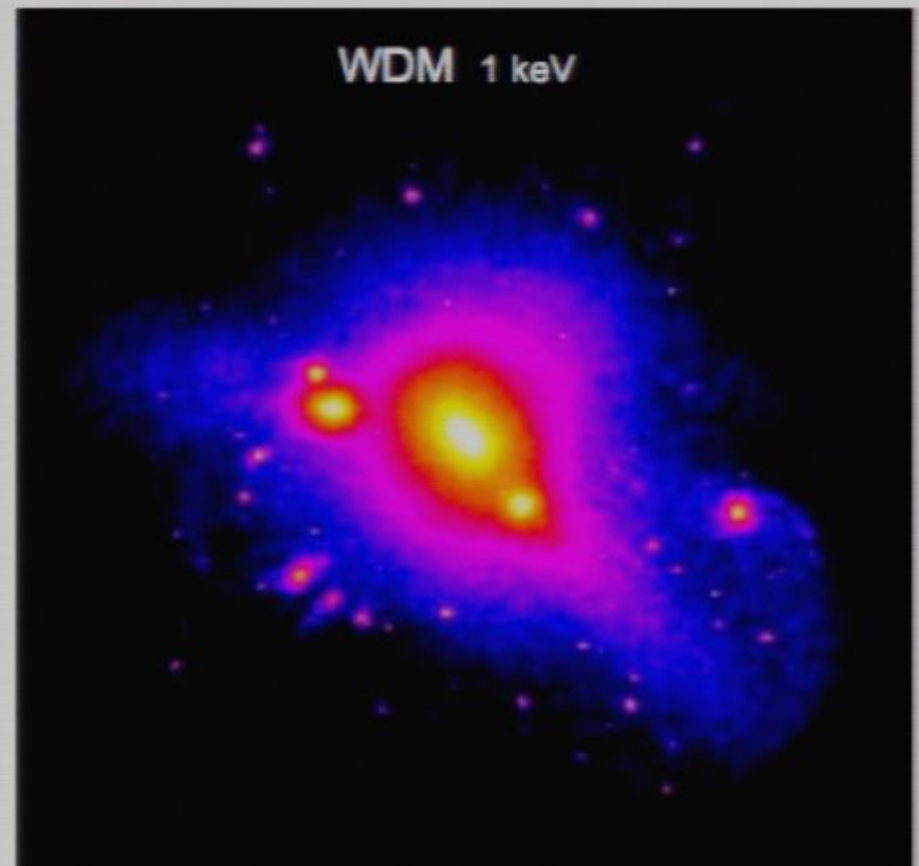


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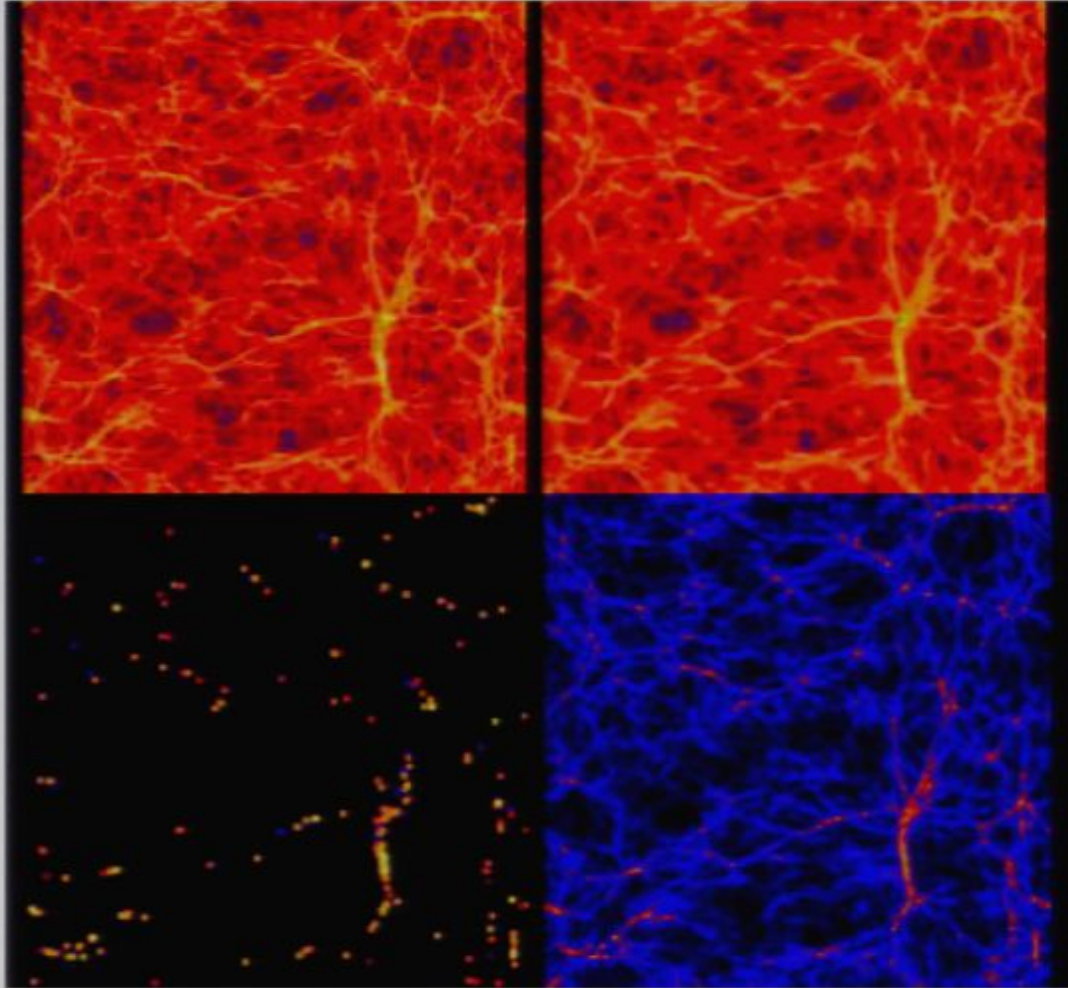


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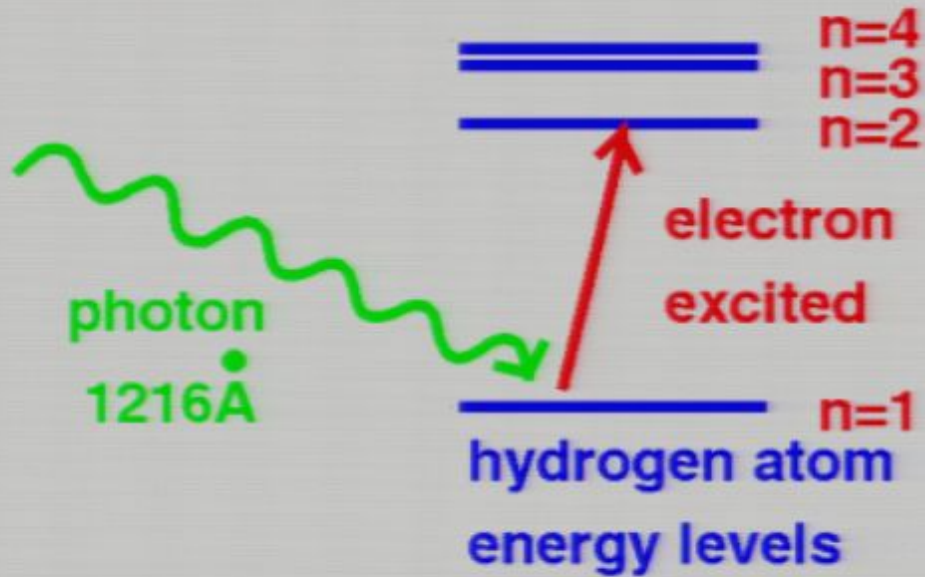
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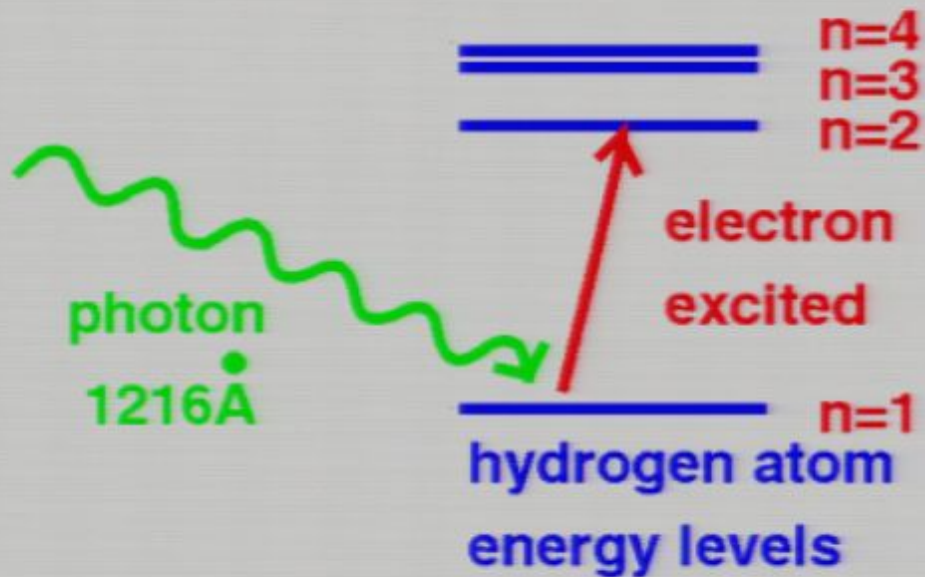
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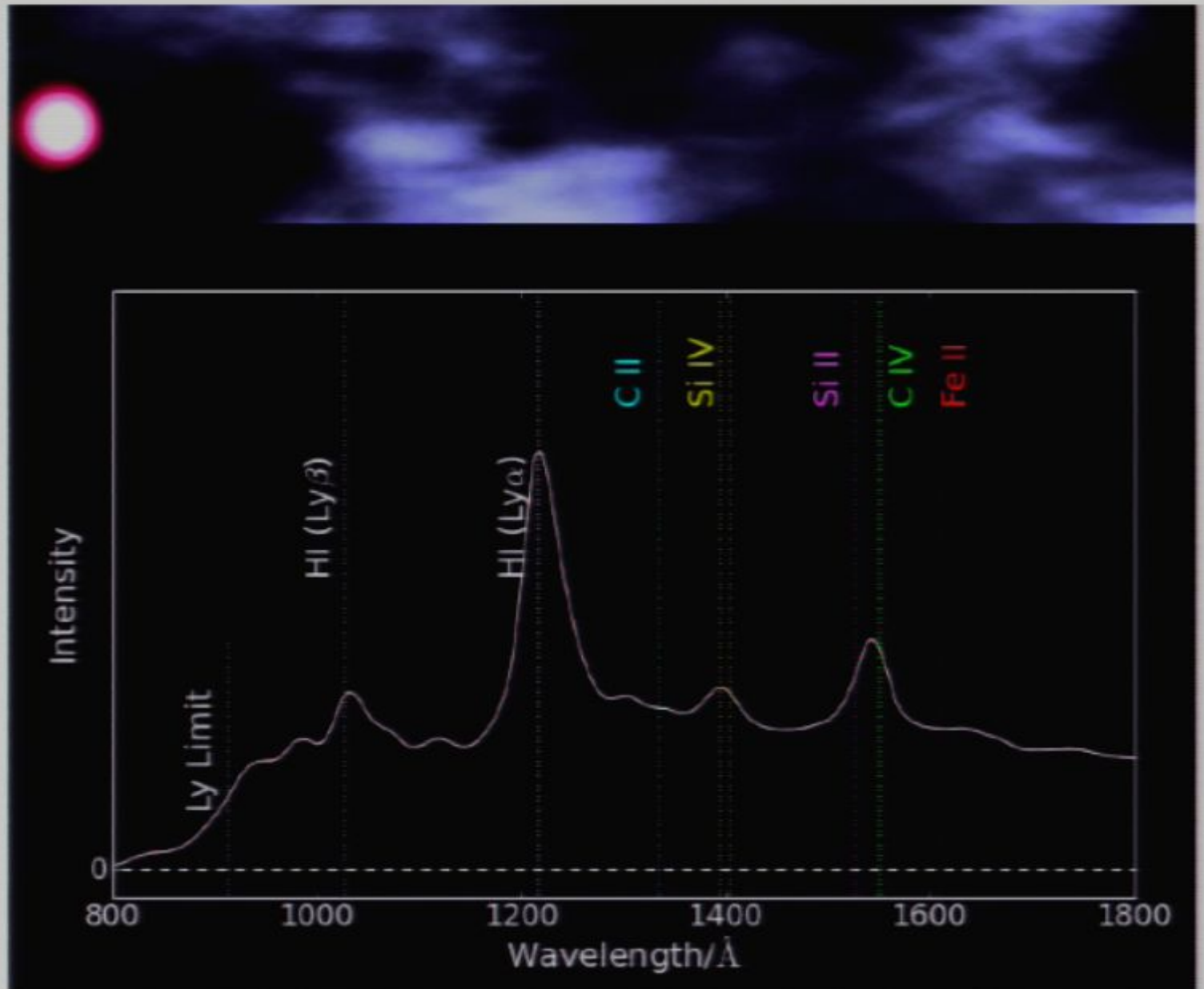
Hydrogen in the IGM is photoionized:

**Recombination**

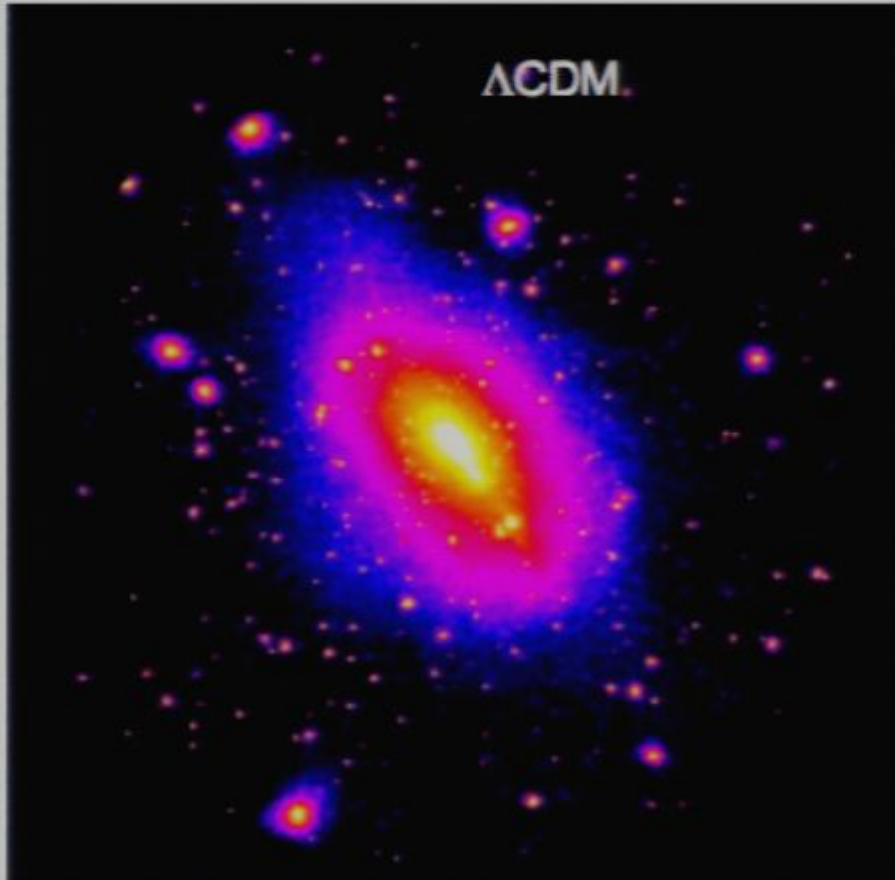
**Photoionization**

$$\alpha n_{\text{HII}} n_e = \Gamma n_{\text{HI}}$$

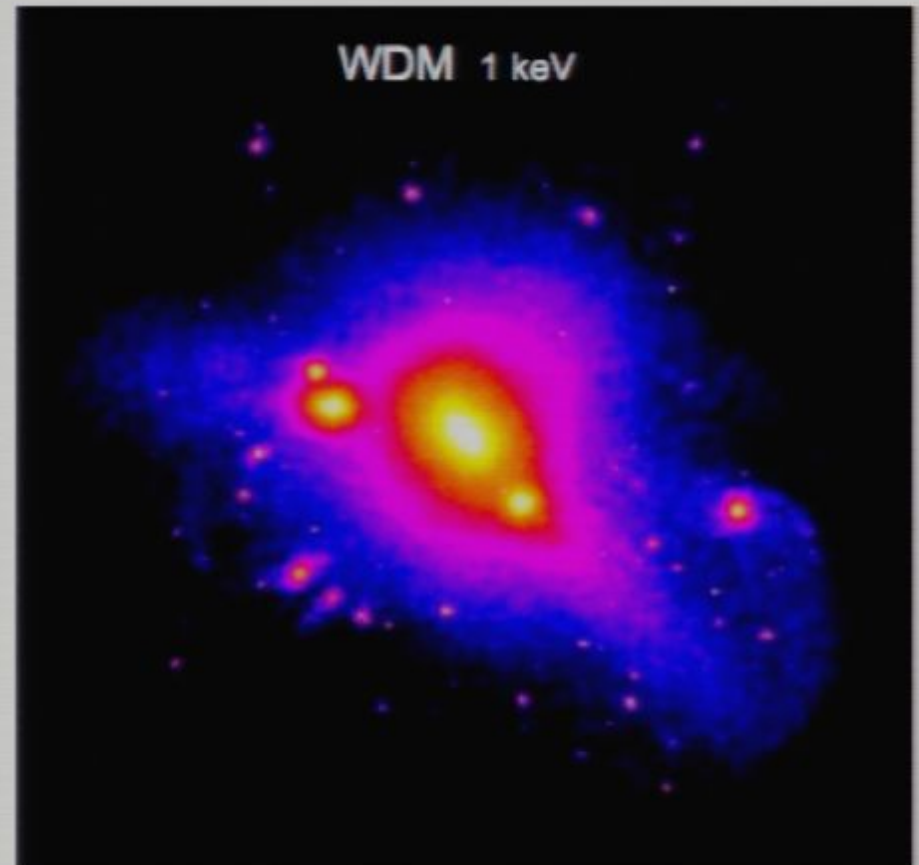




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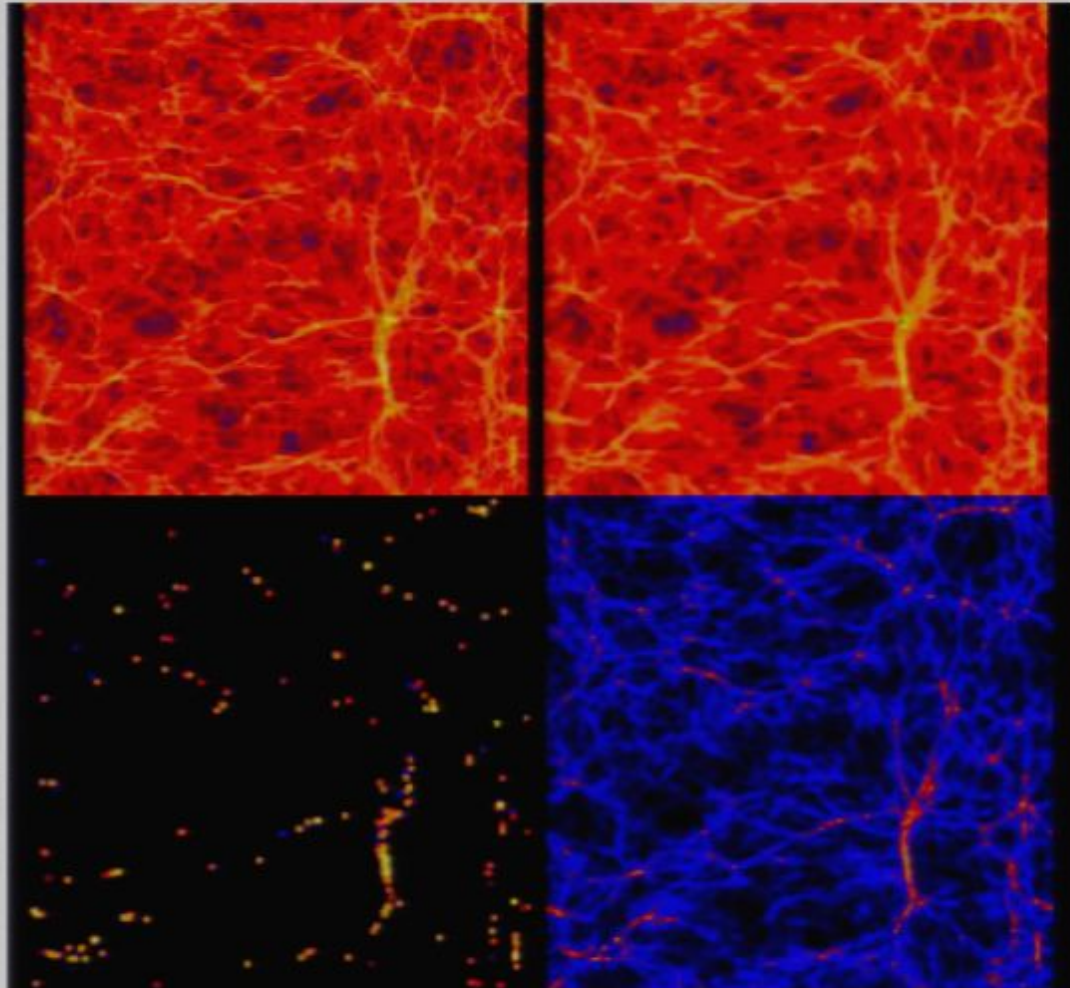
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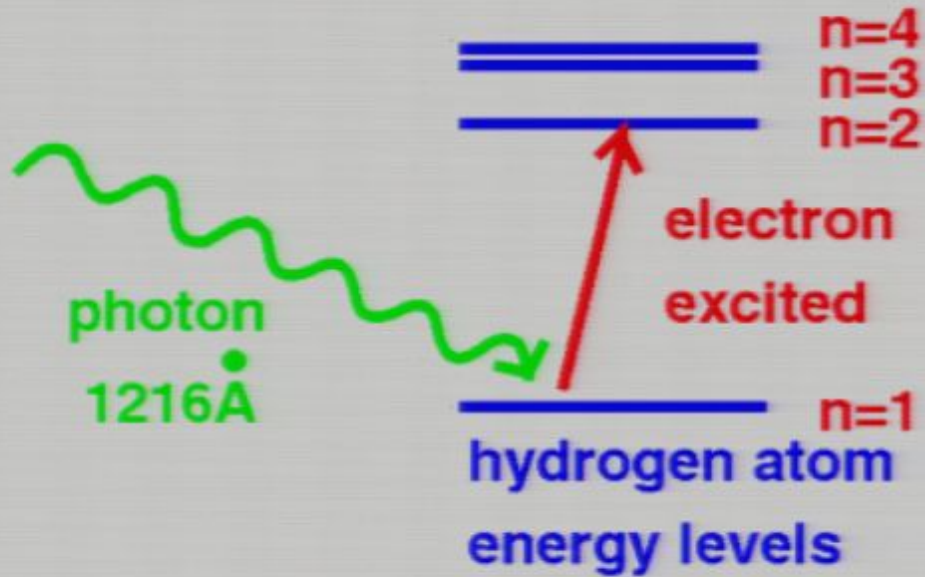
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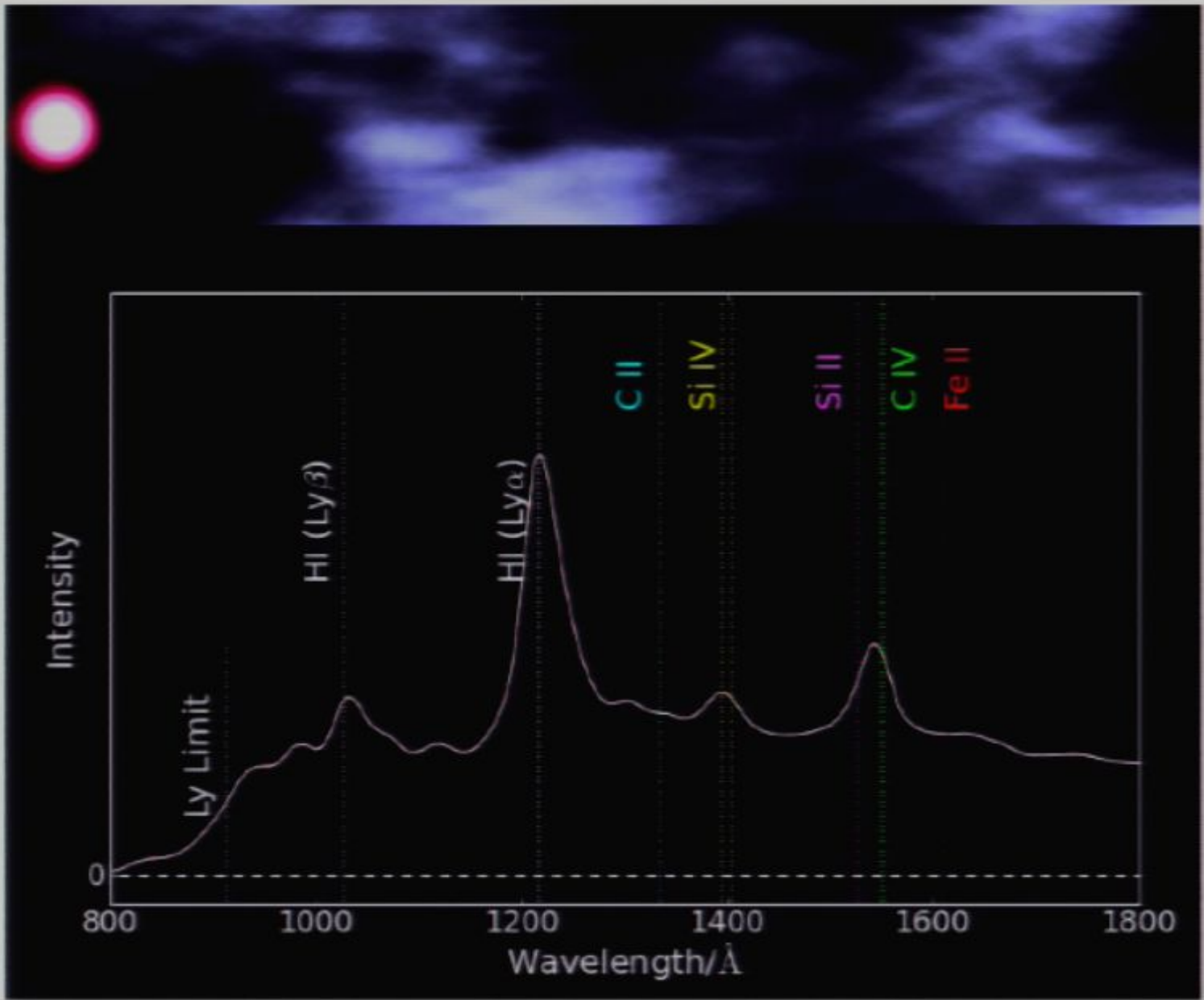


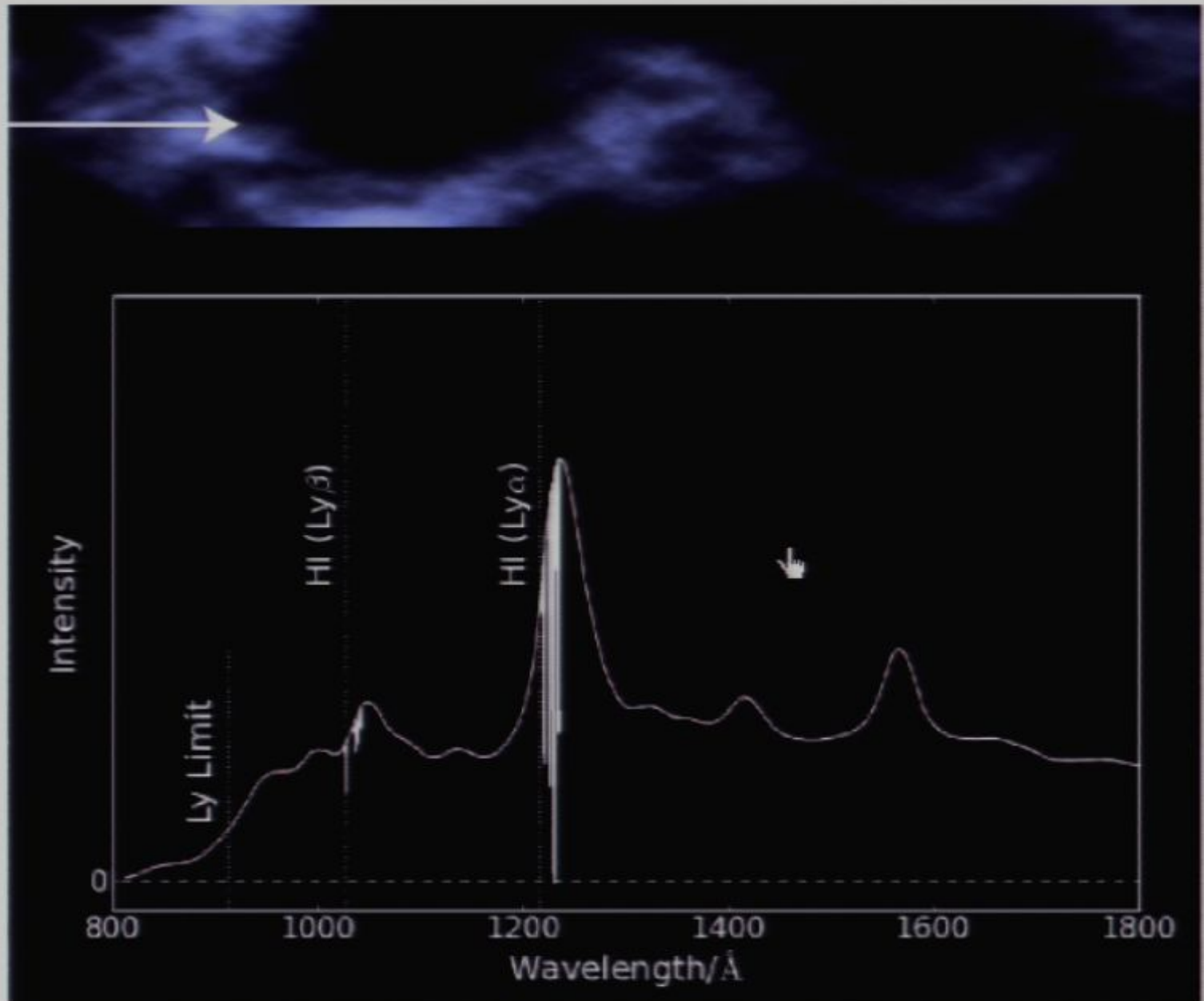
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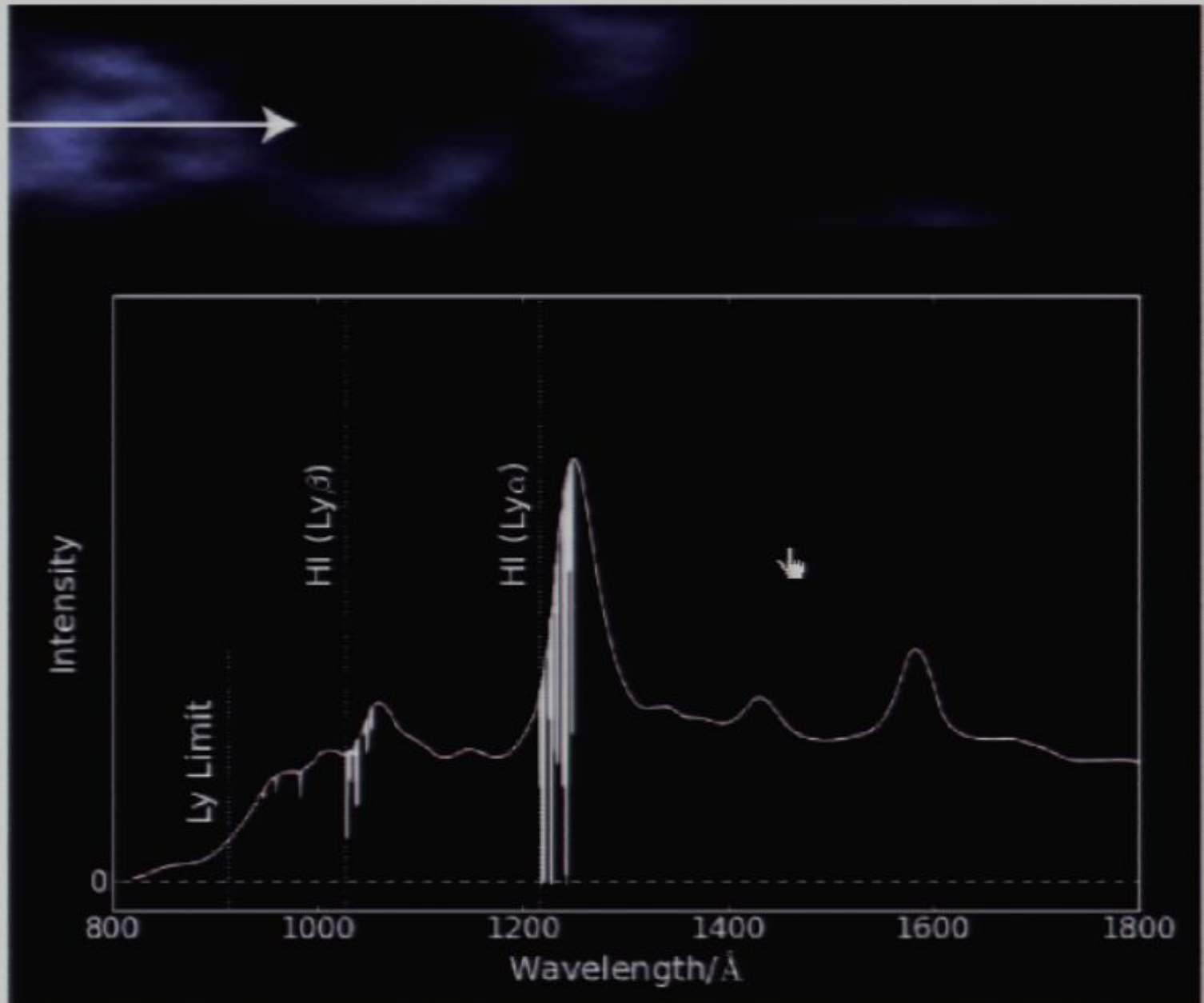


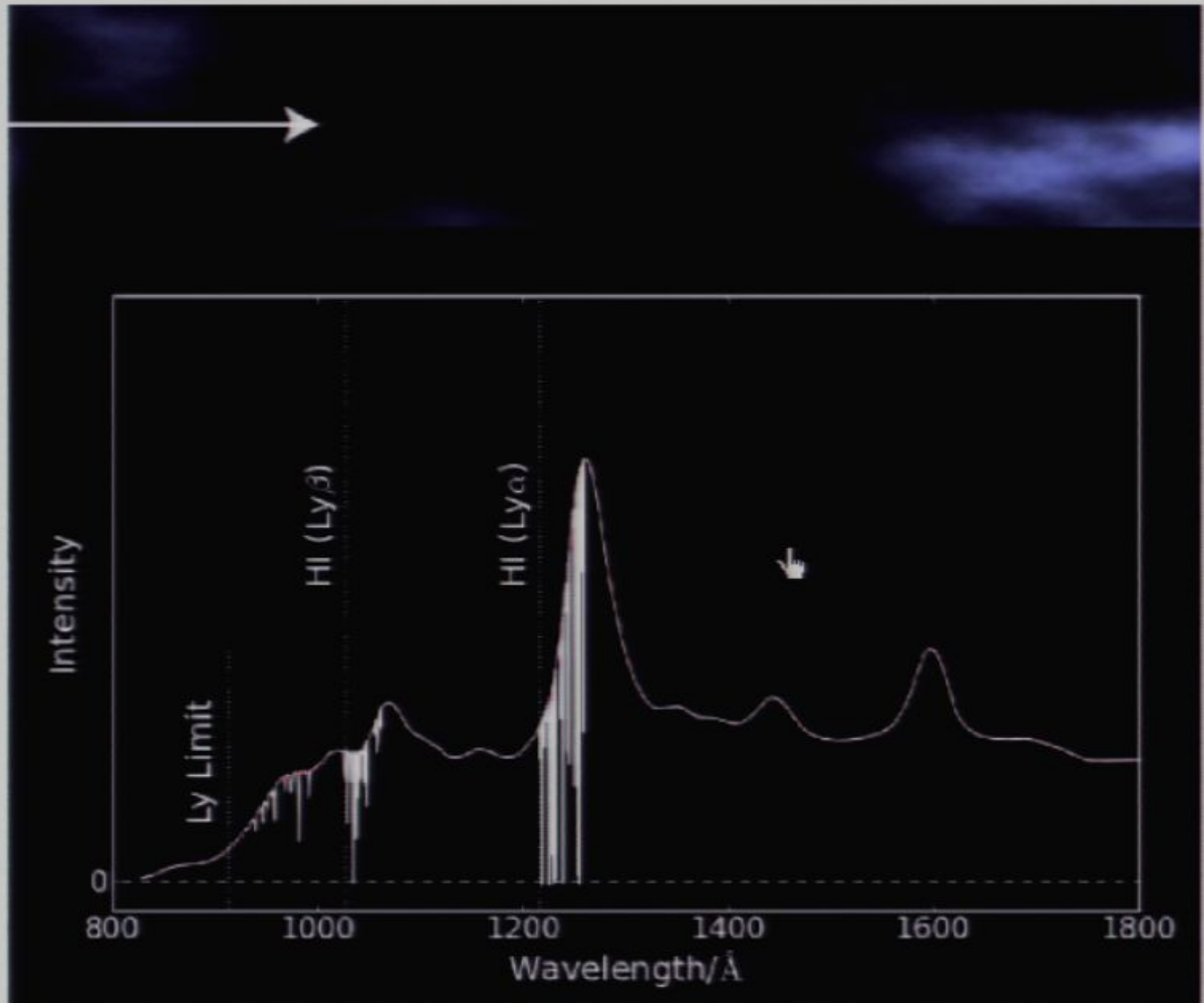
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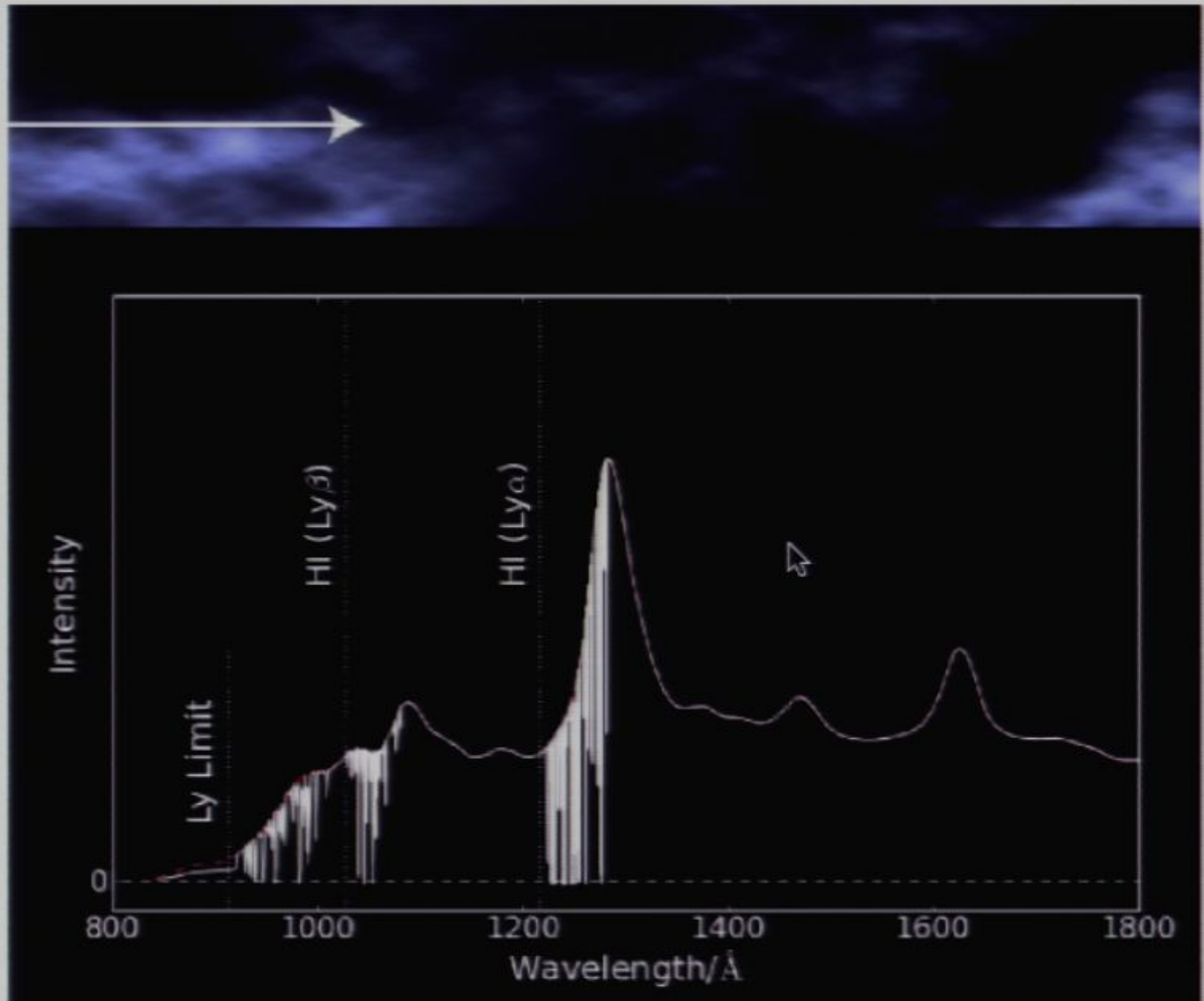


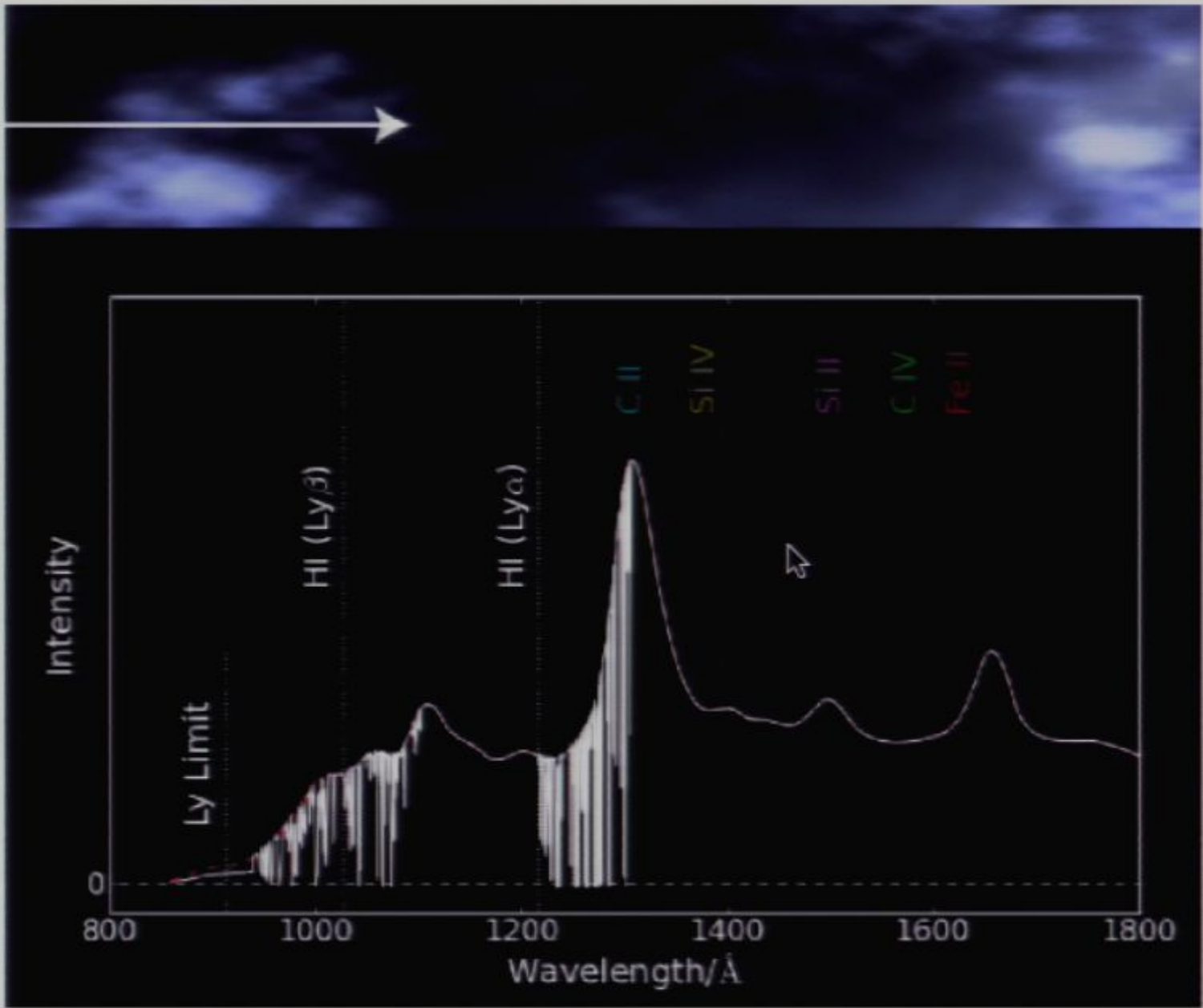




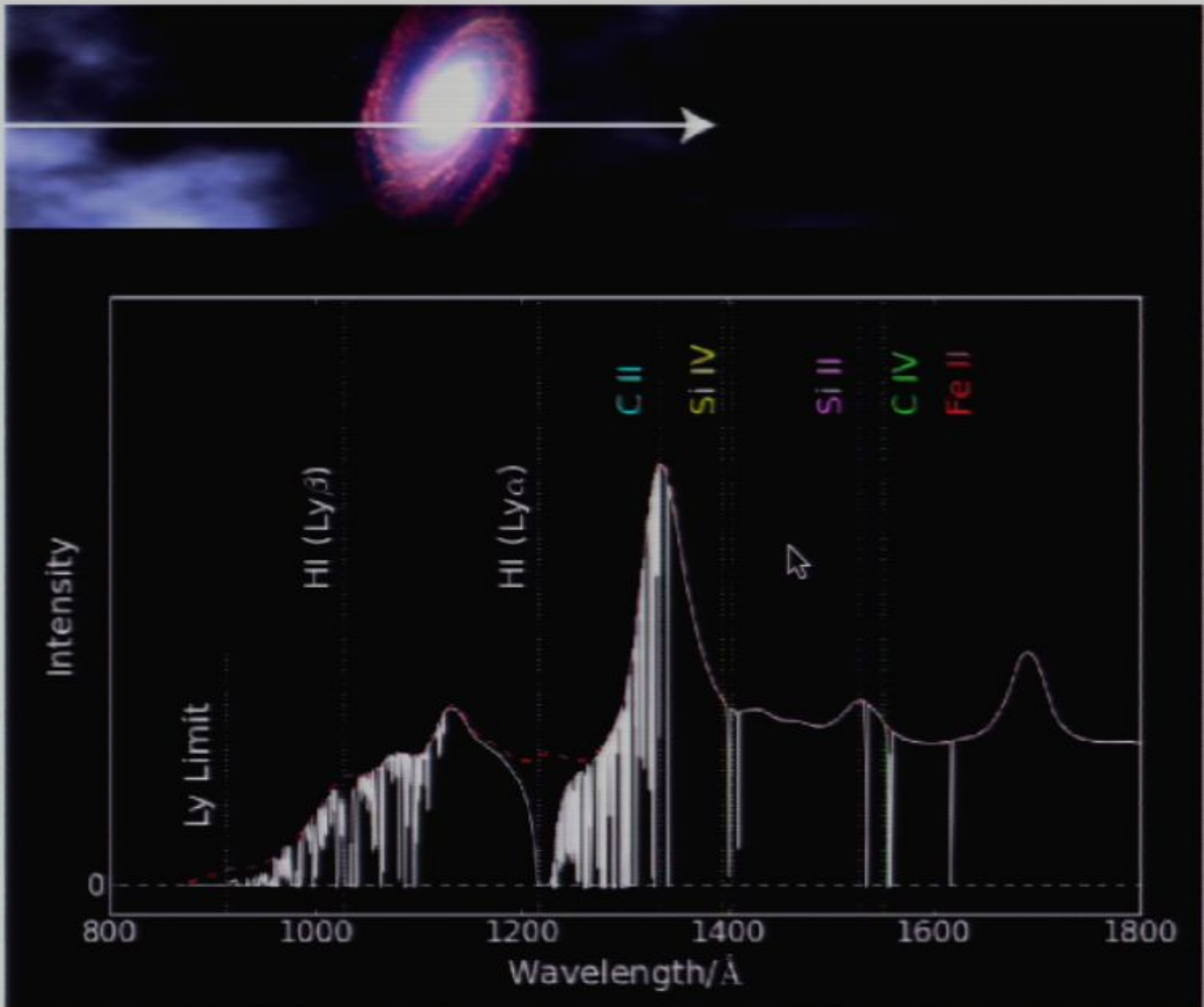


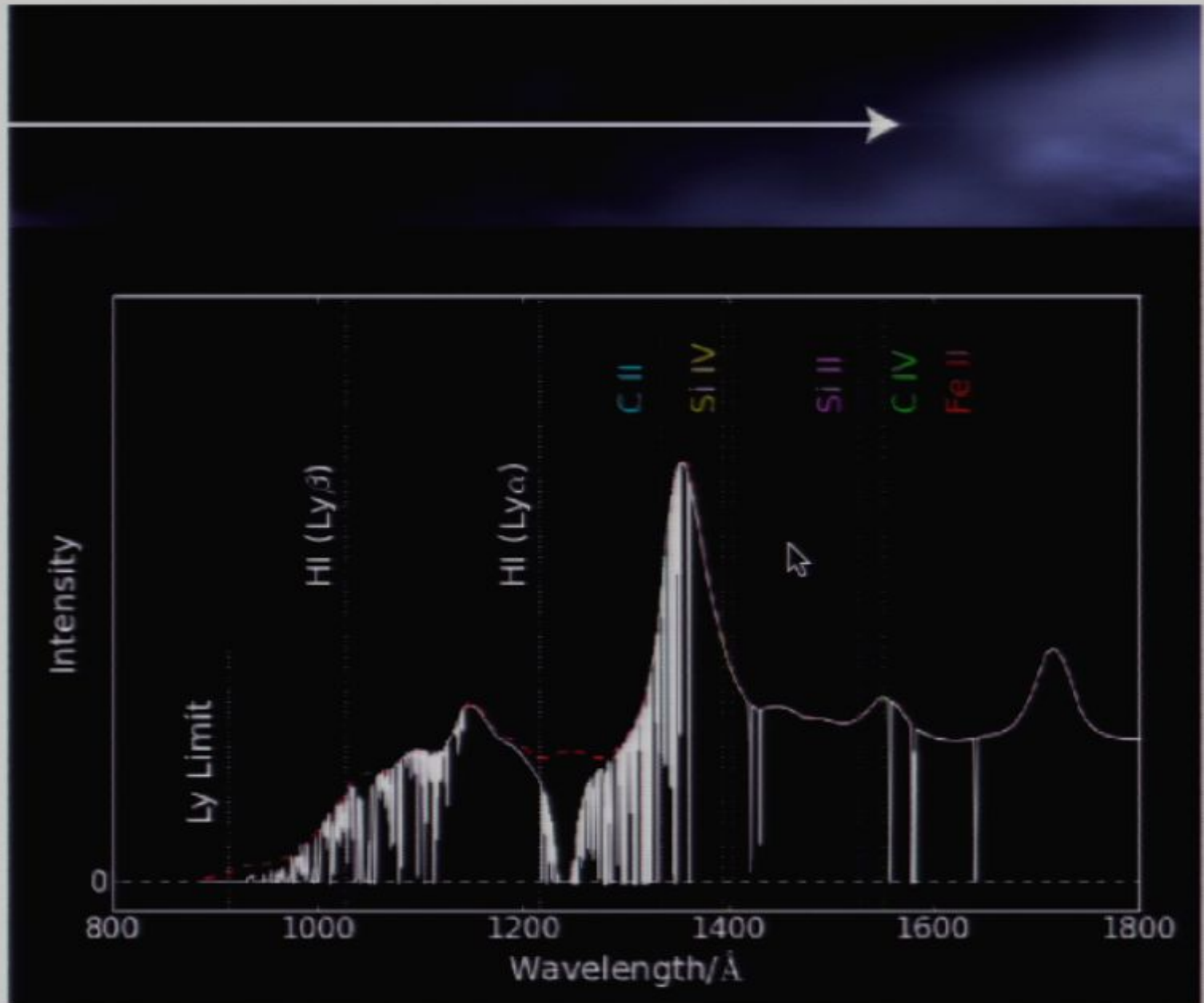


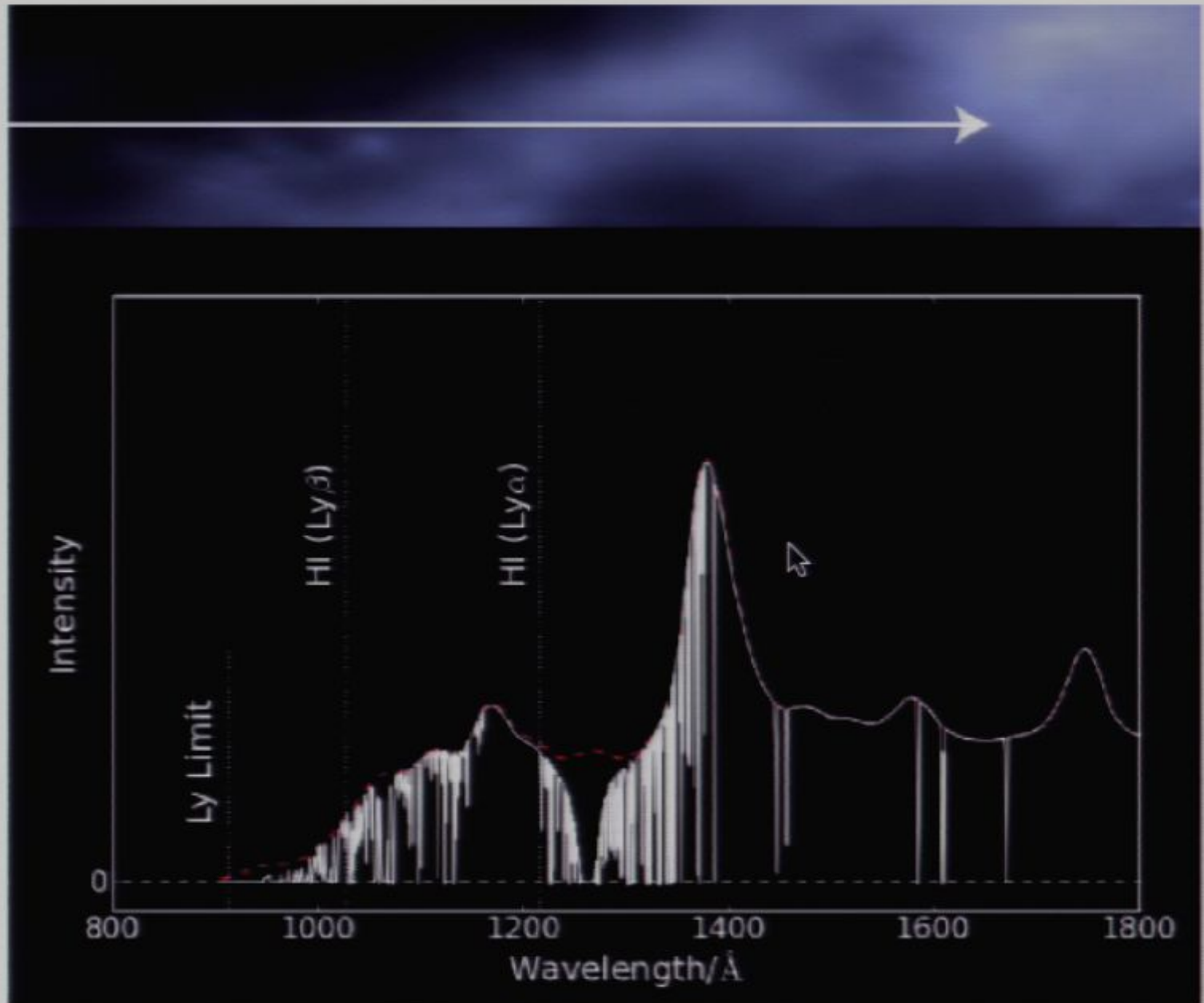








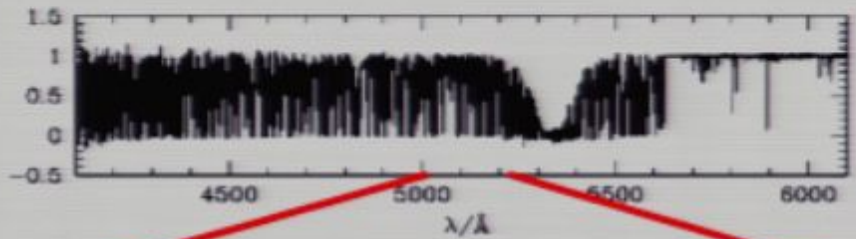




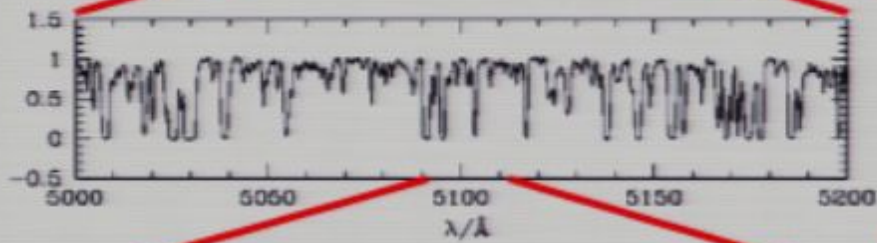
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- redshift drift?
- (high-redshift galaxies)
- (metal enrichment)
- (ionization state of the IGM)
- (thermal history of the IGM)
- (reionization)



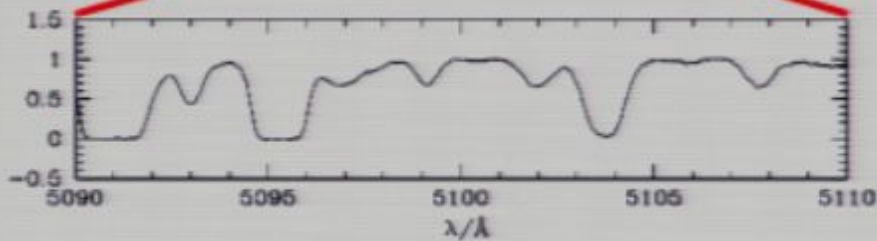
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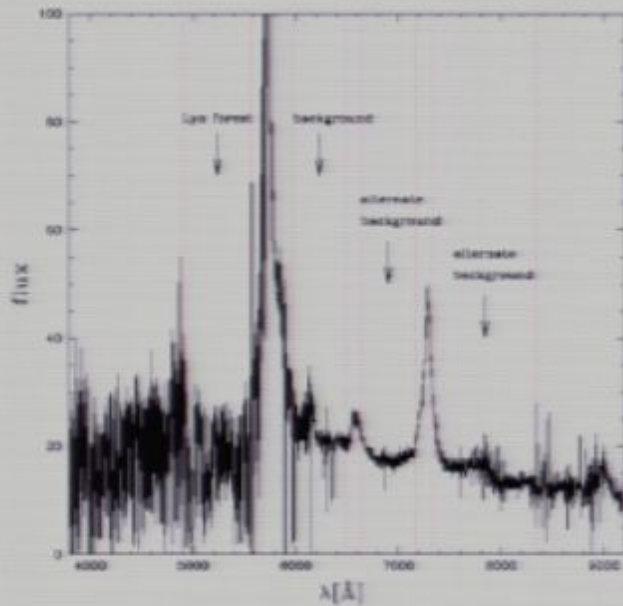
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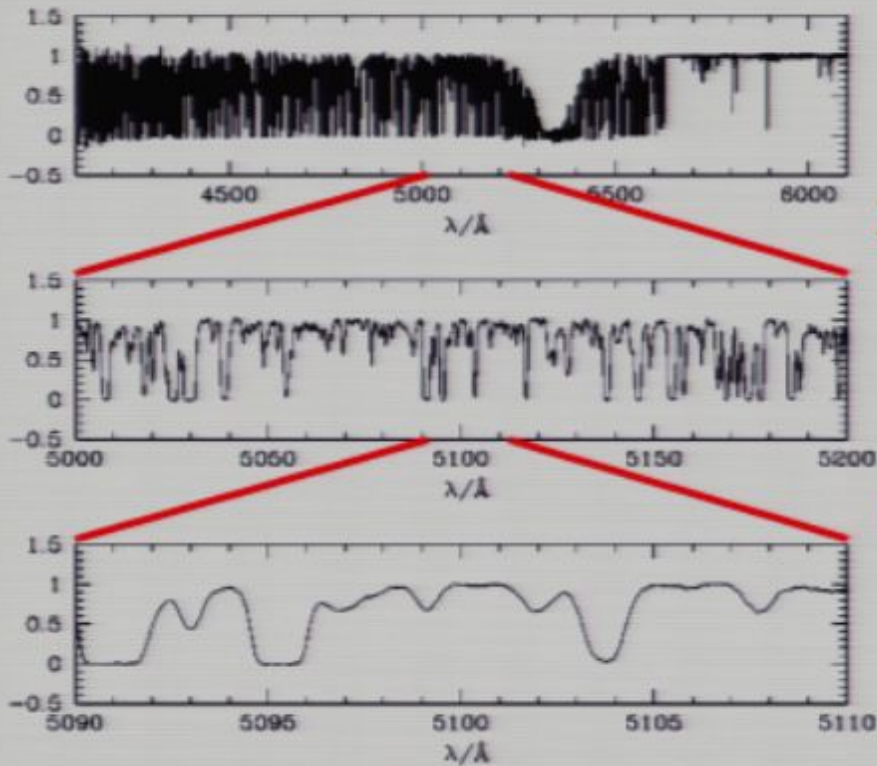


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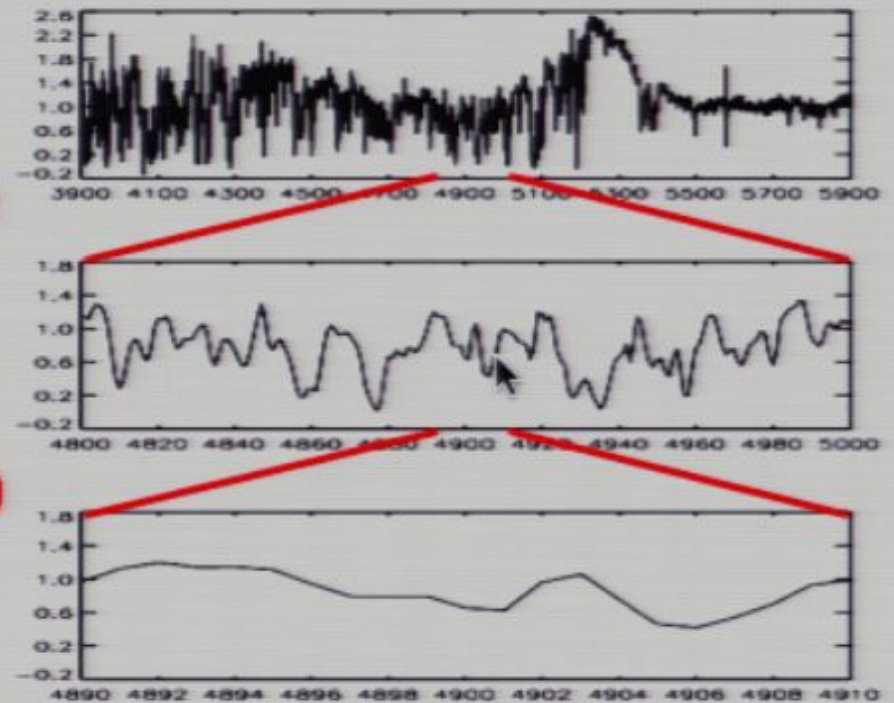


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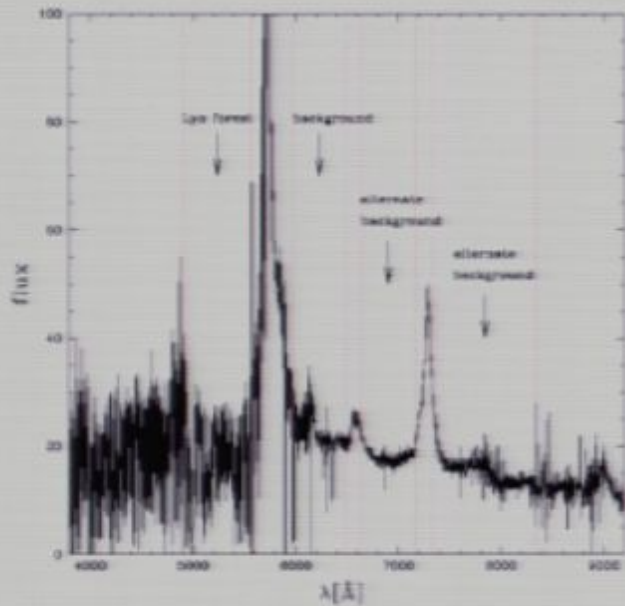
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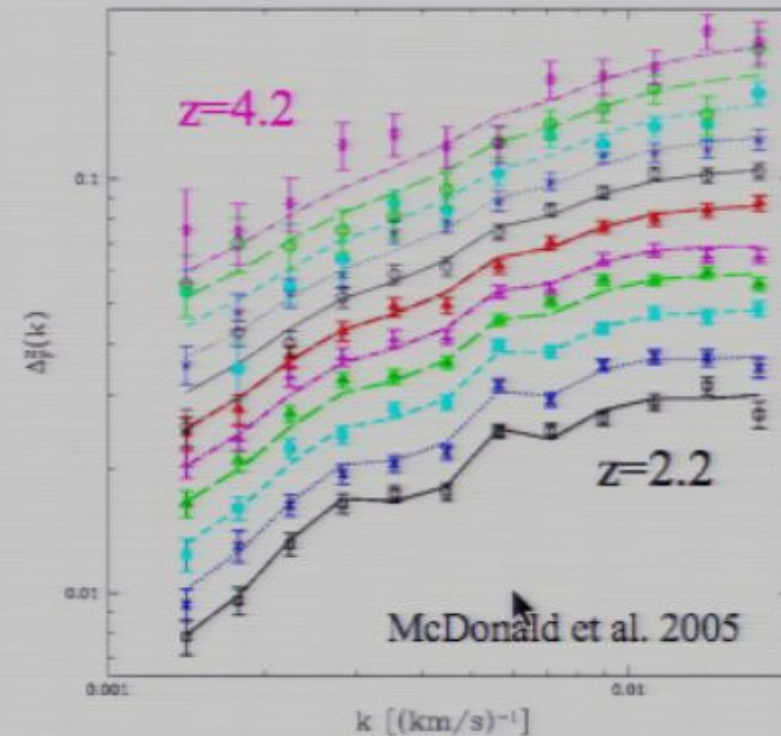
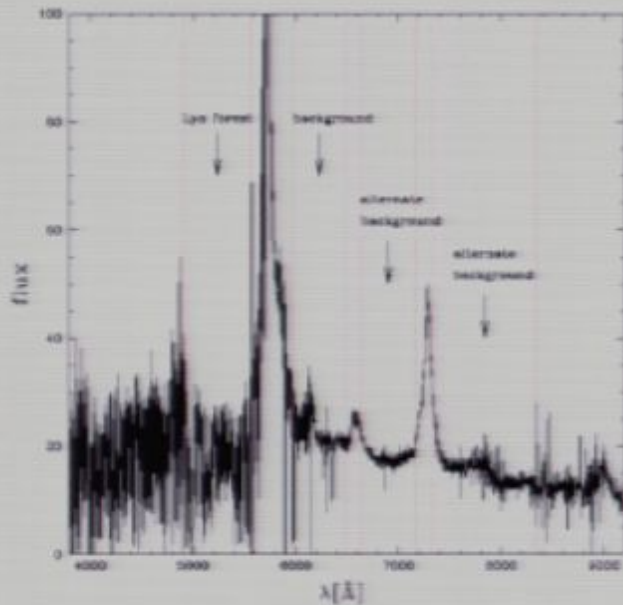
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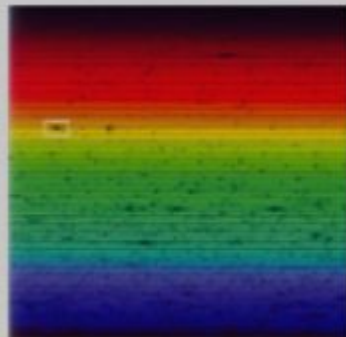
### Pros:

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- split in many redshift bins over a wide redshift range

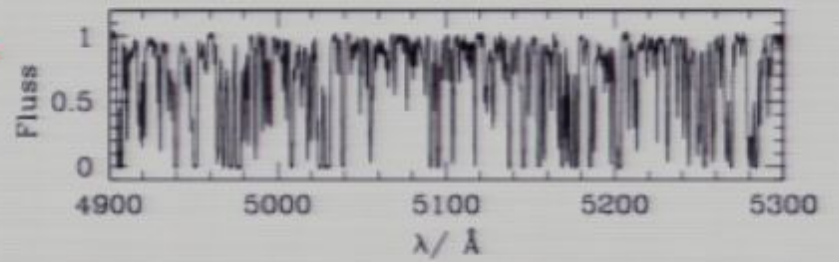
### Cons:

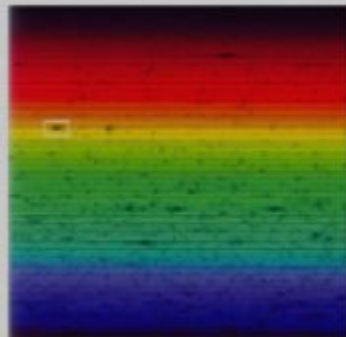
- rather large corrections for noise and resolution



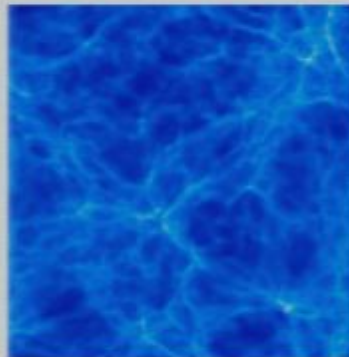
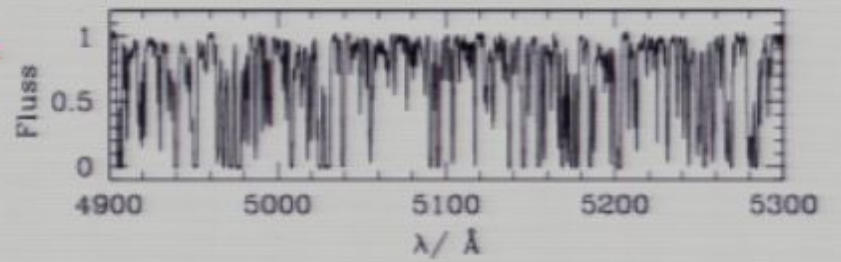


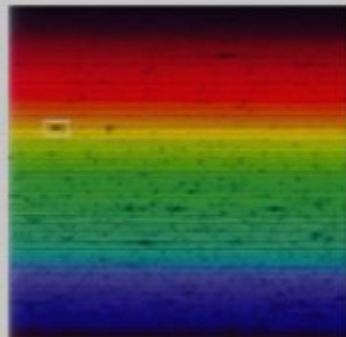
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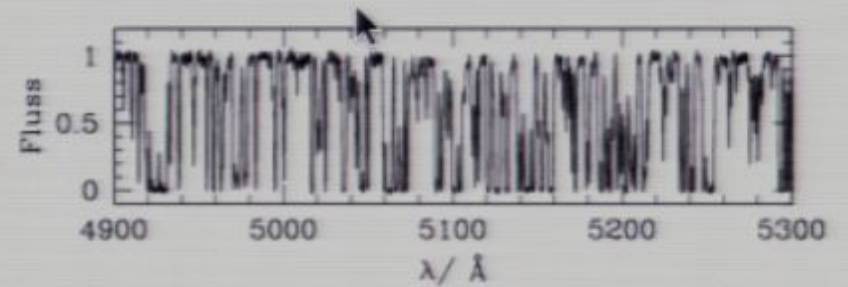
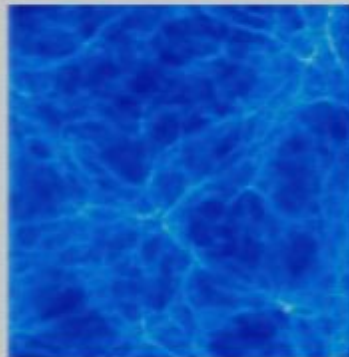
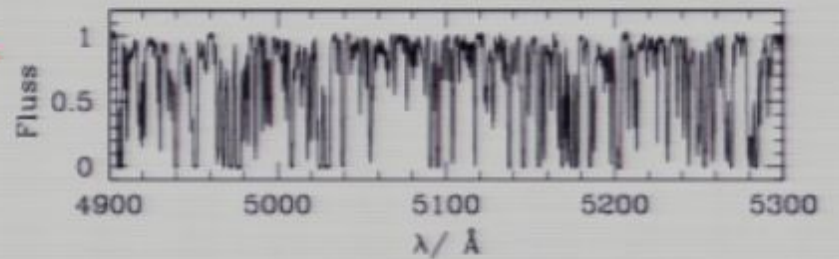


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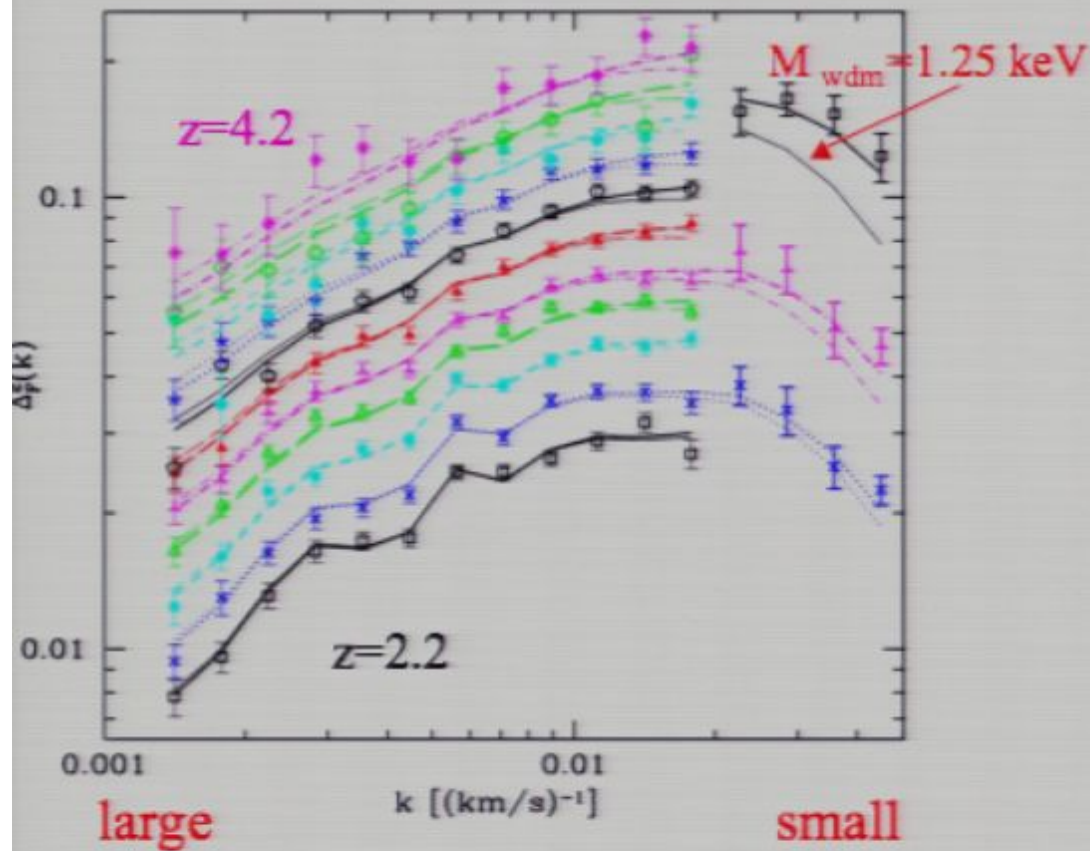


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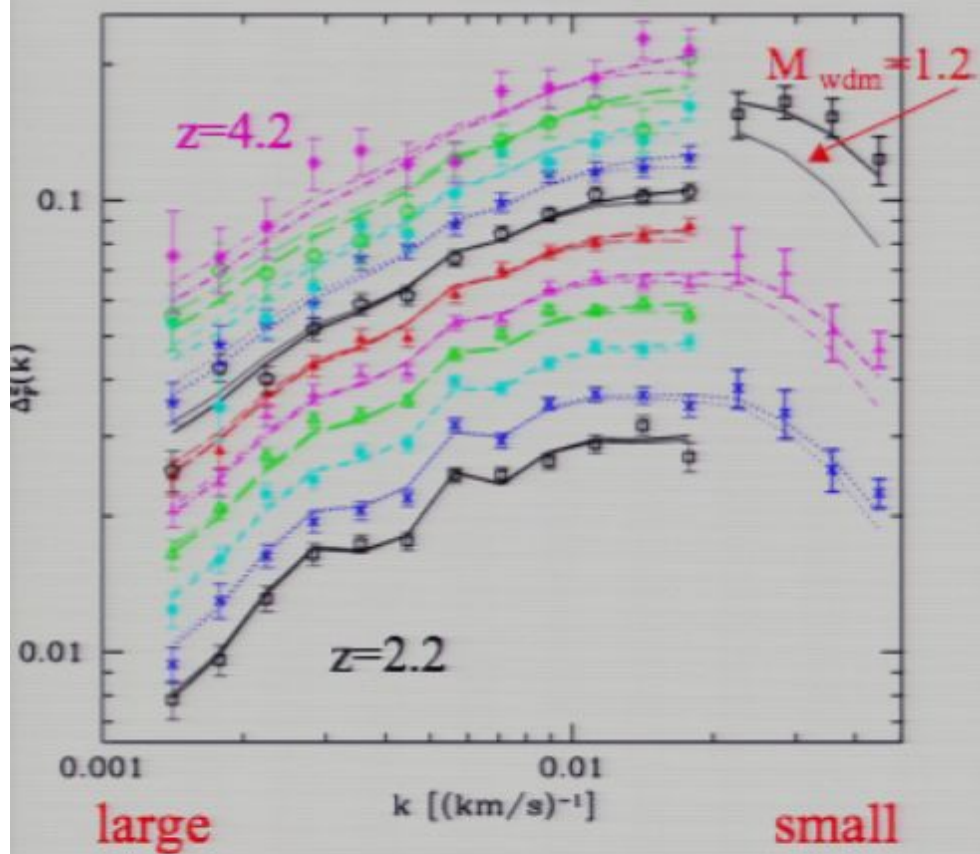
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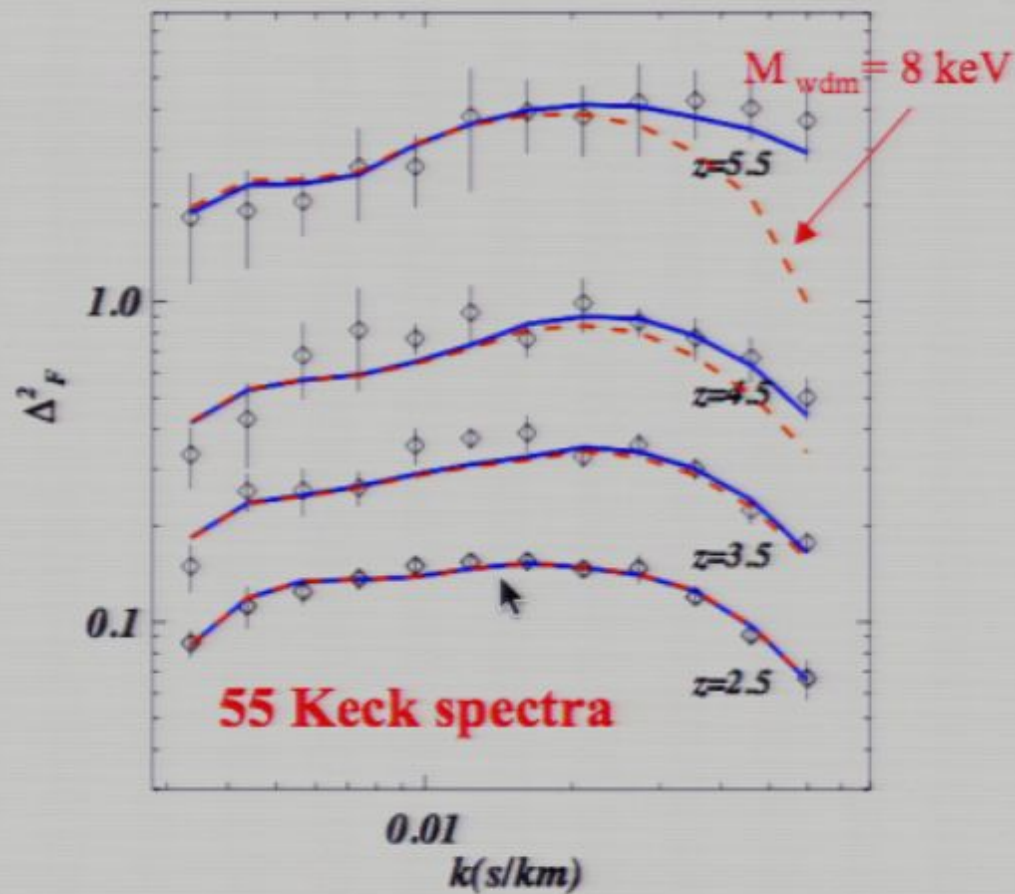
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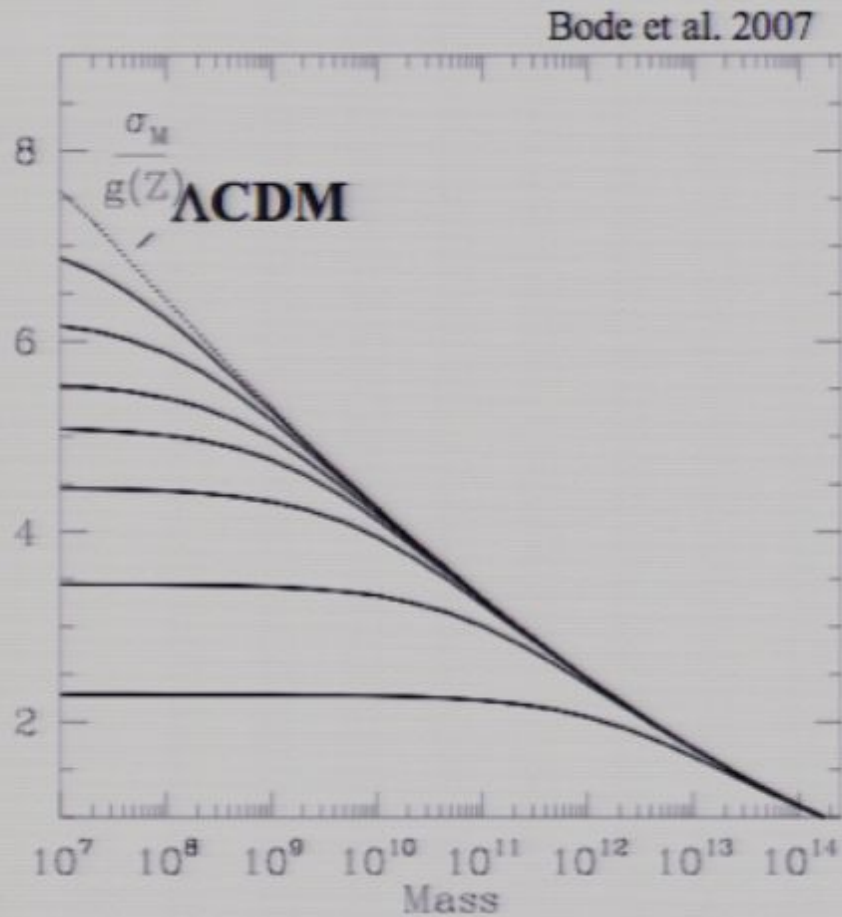
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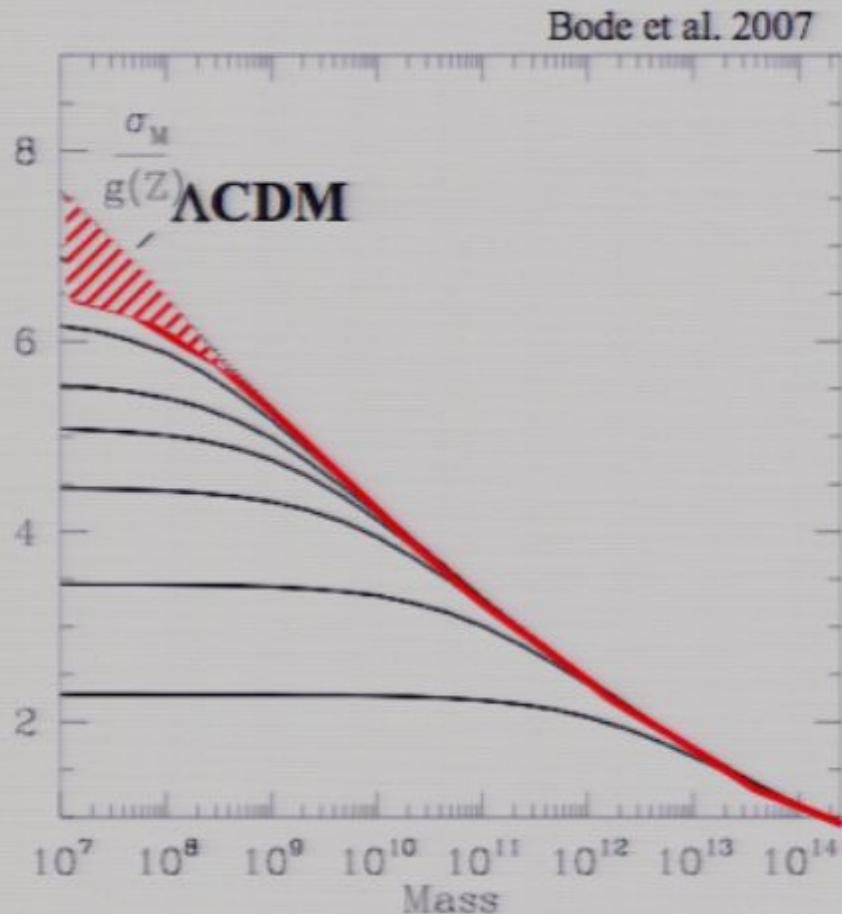
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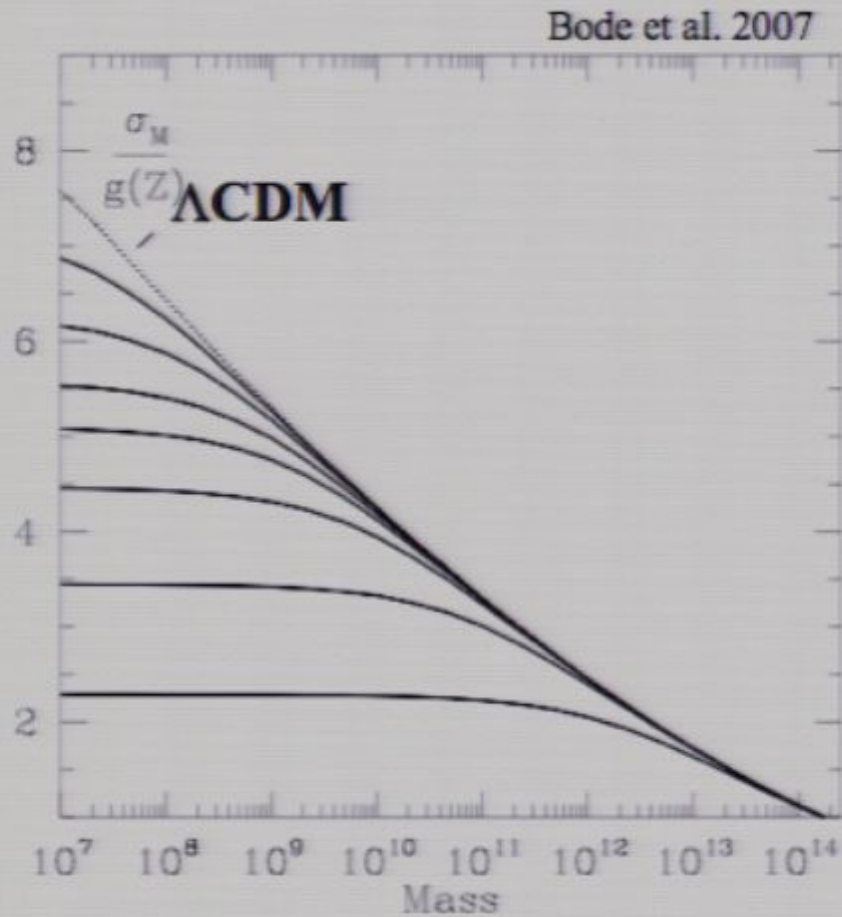
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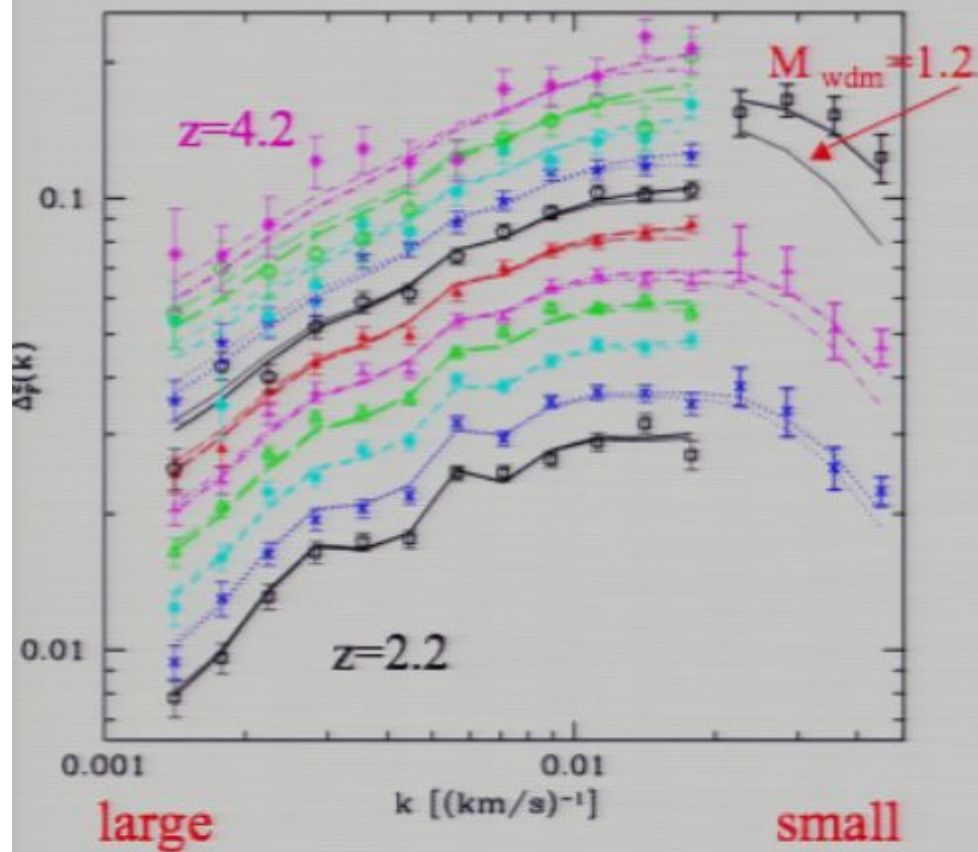
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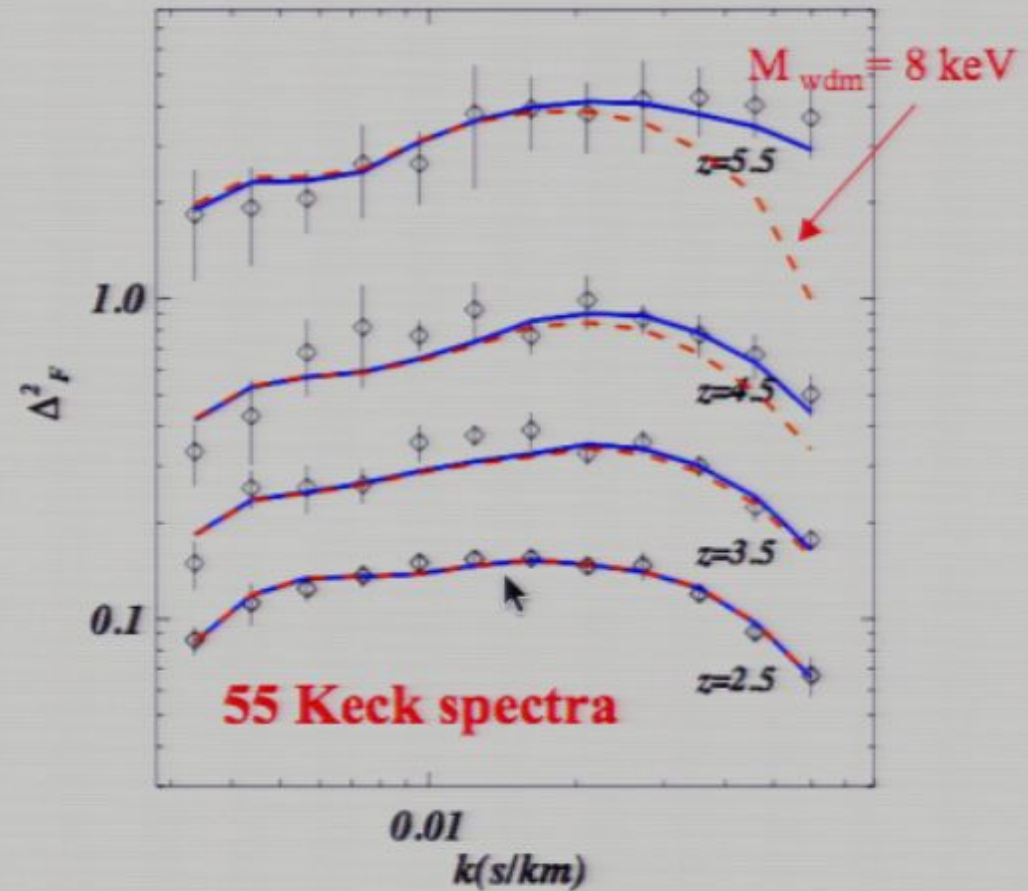


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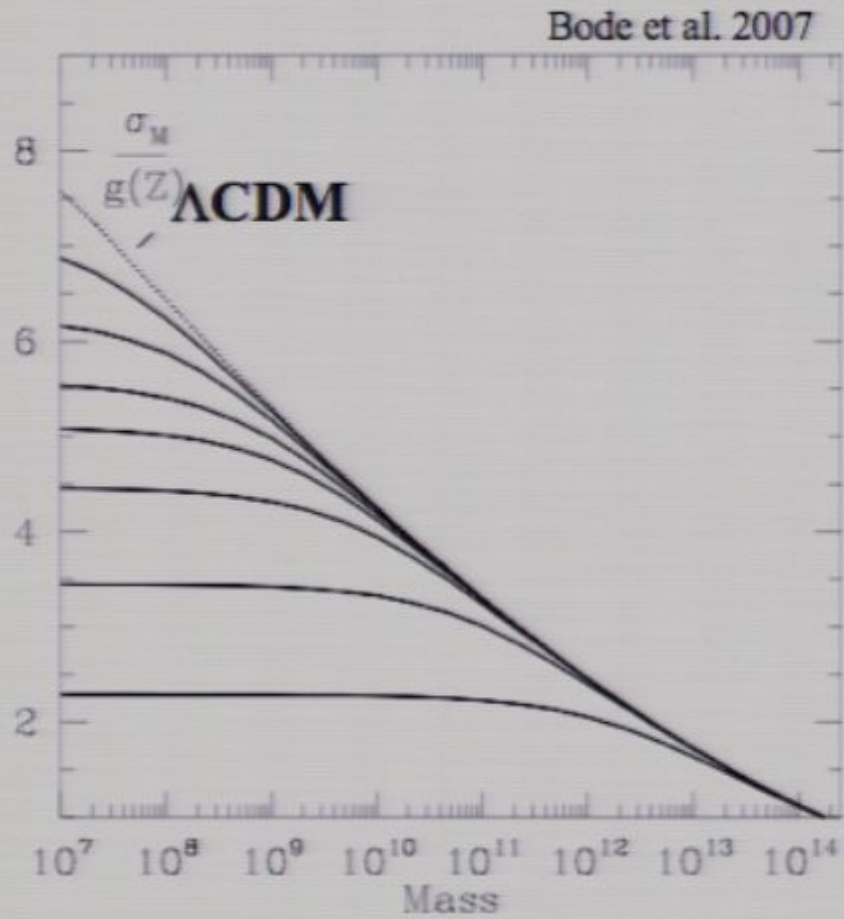
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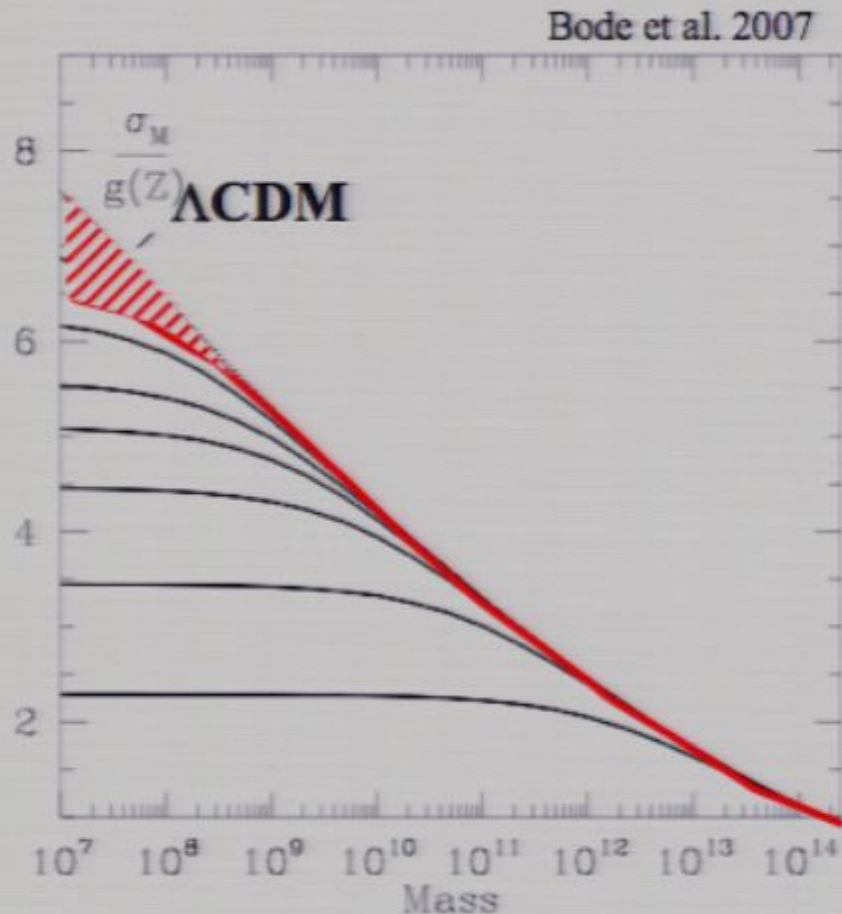
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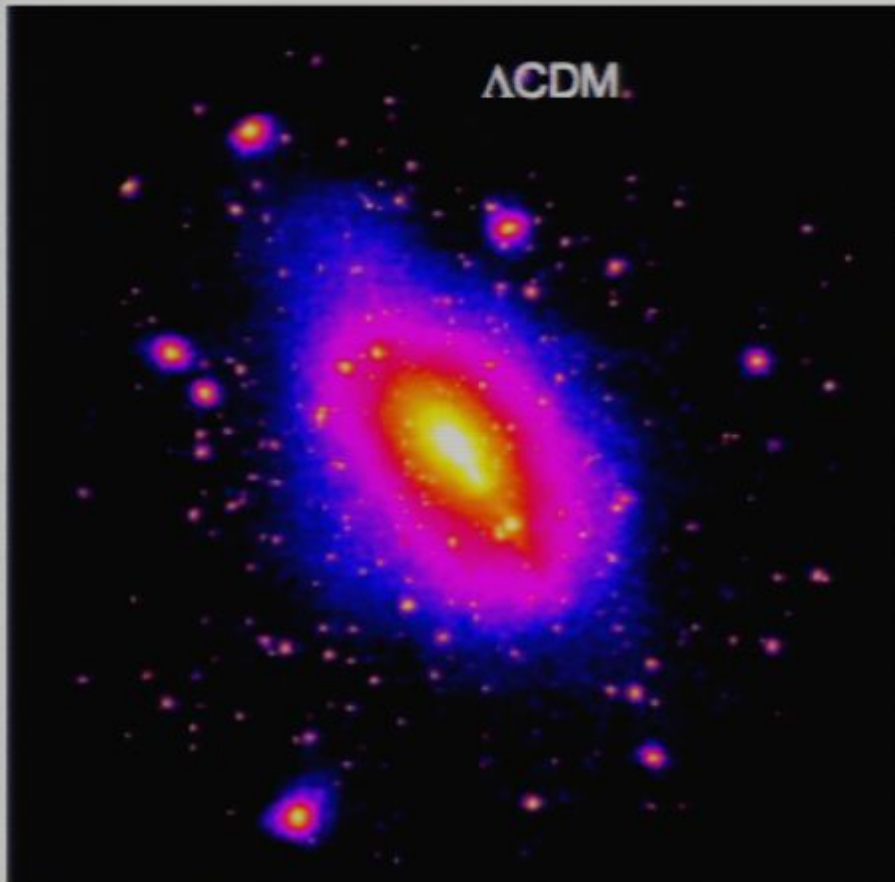
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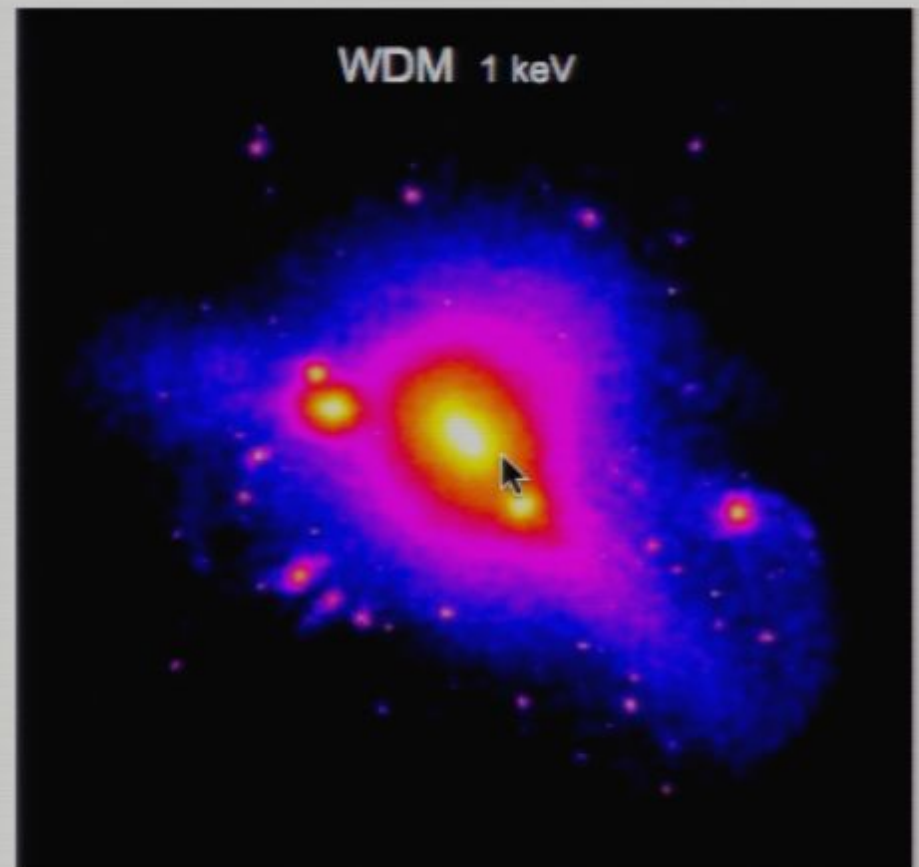
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**The CDM paradigm predicts many low mass objects**

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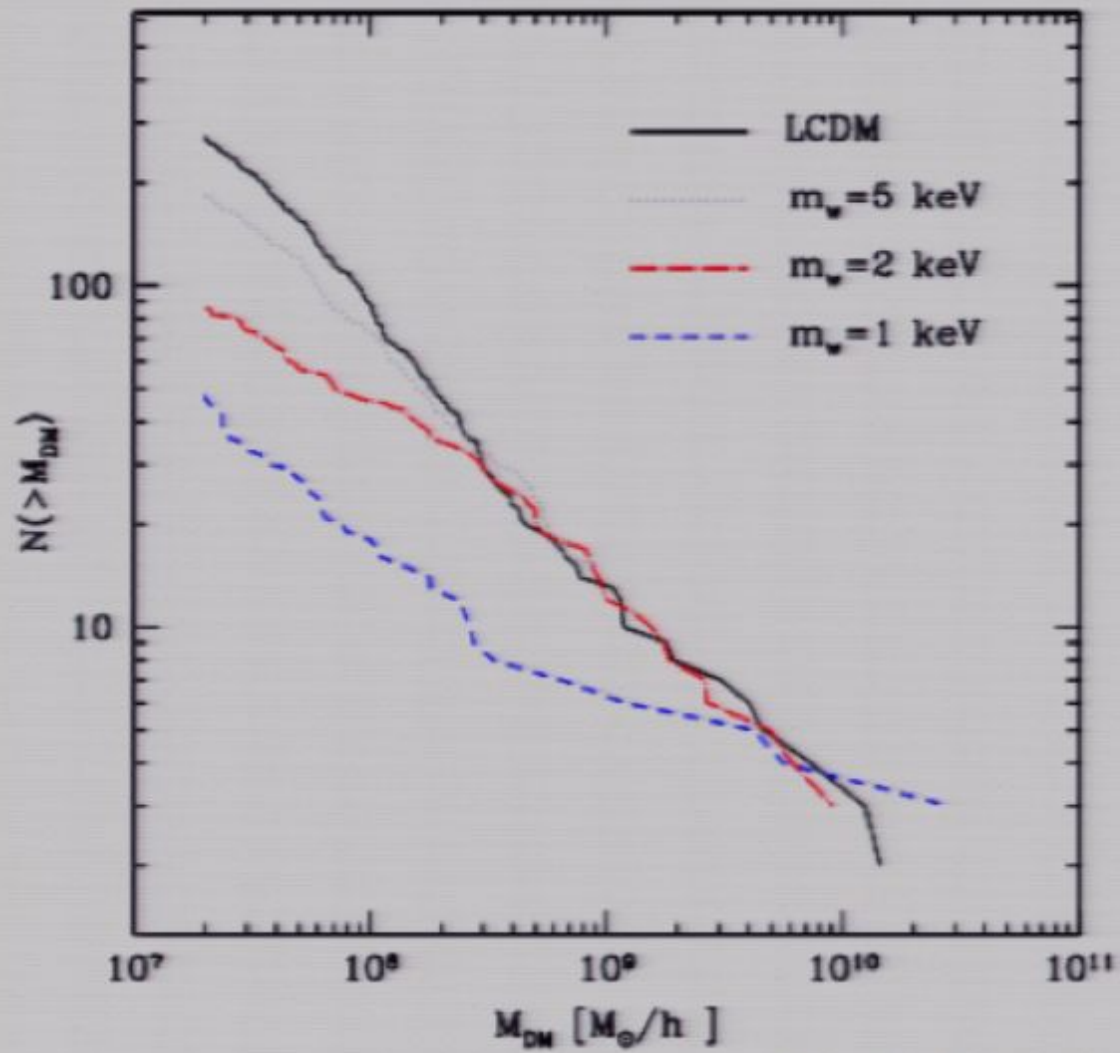
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# The halo mass function



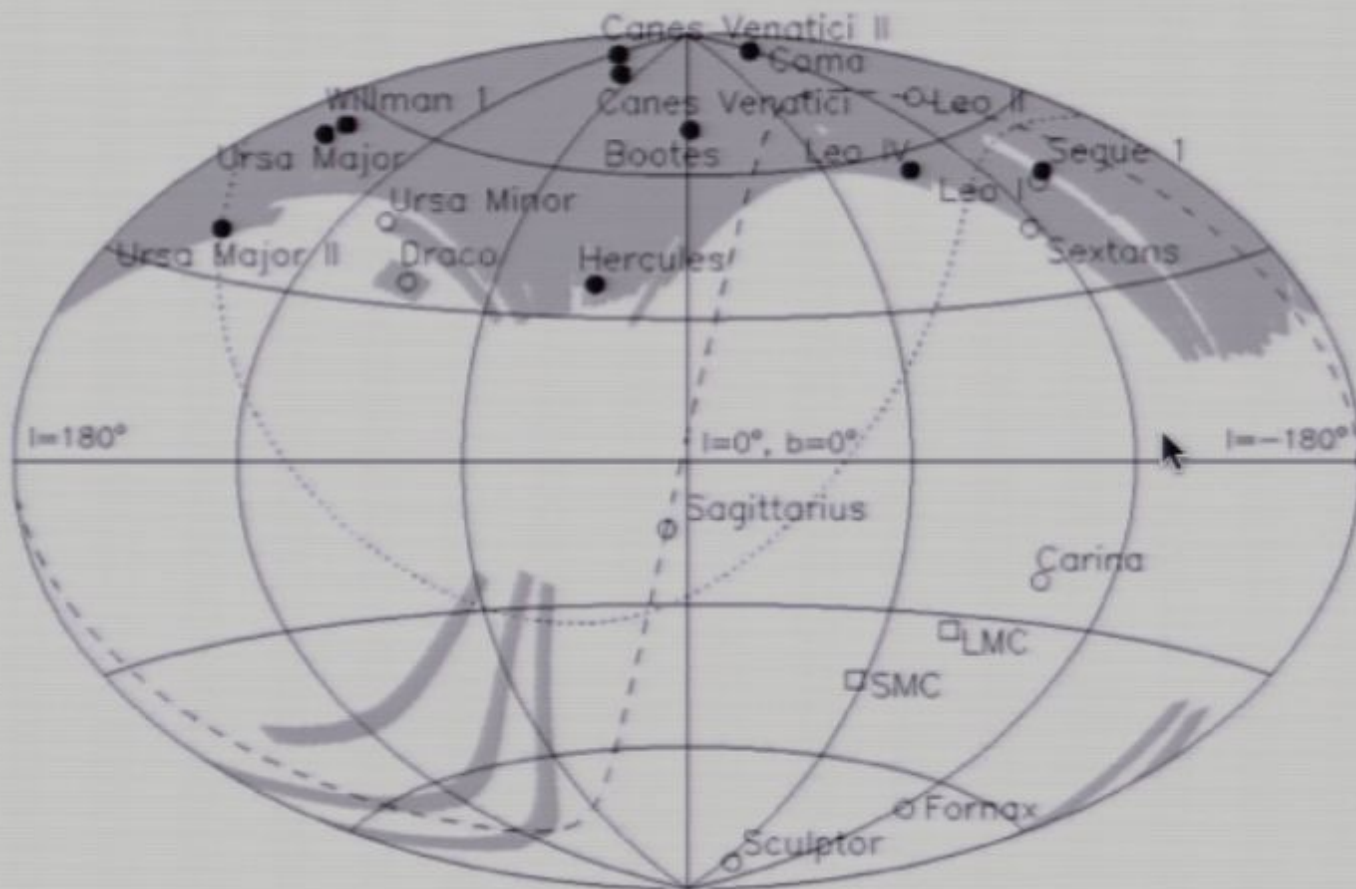
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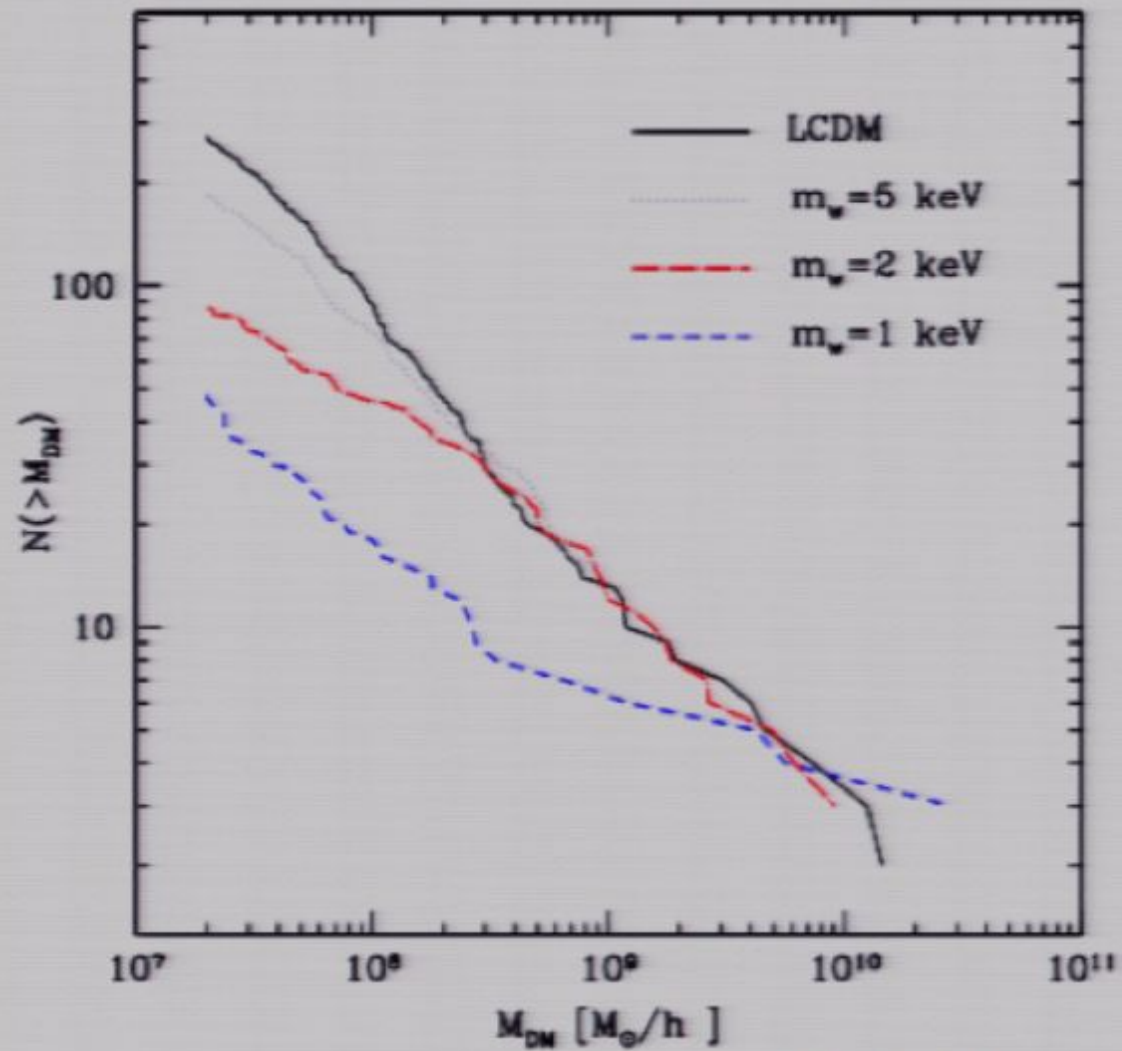
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SDSS has substantially increased the number of satellite galaxies in the  
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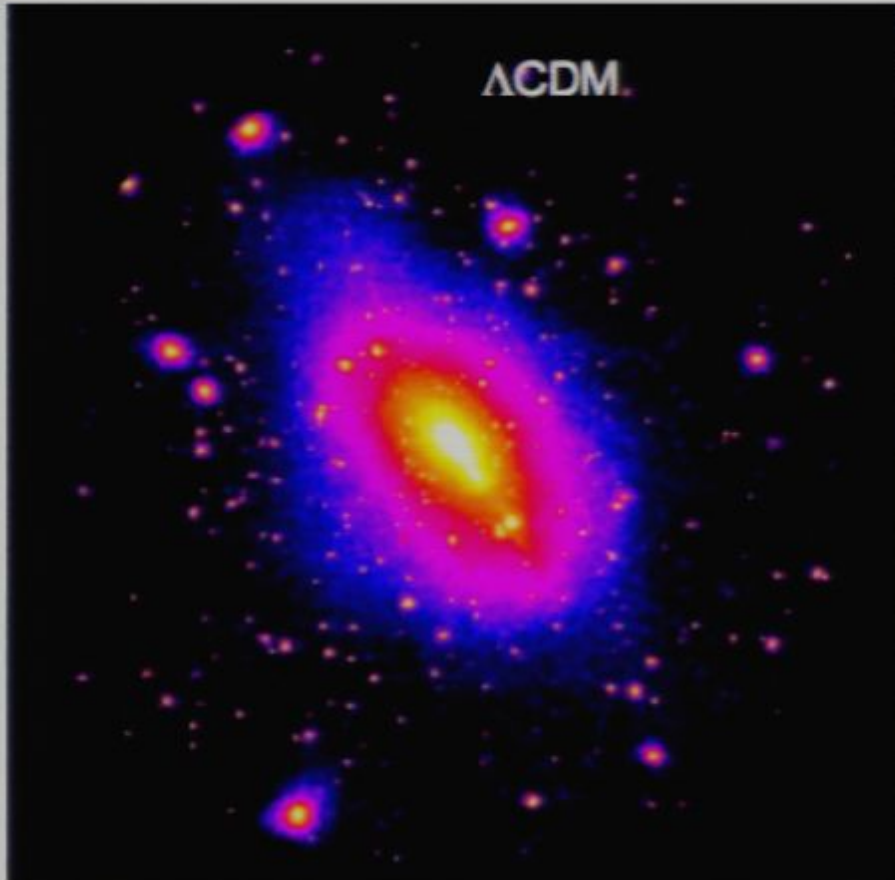
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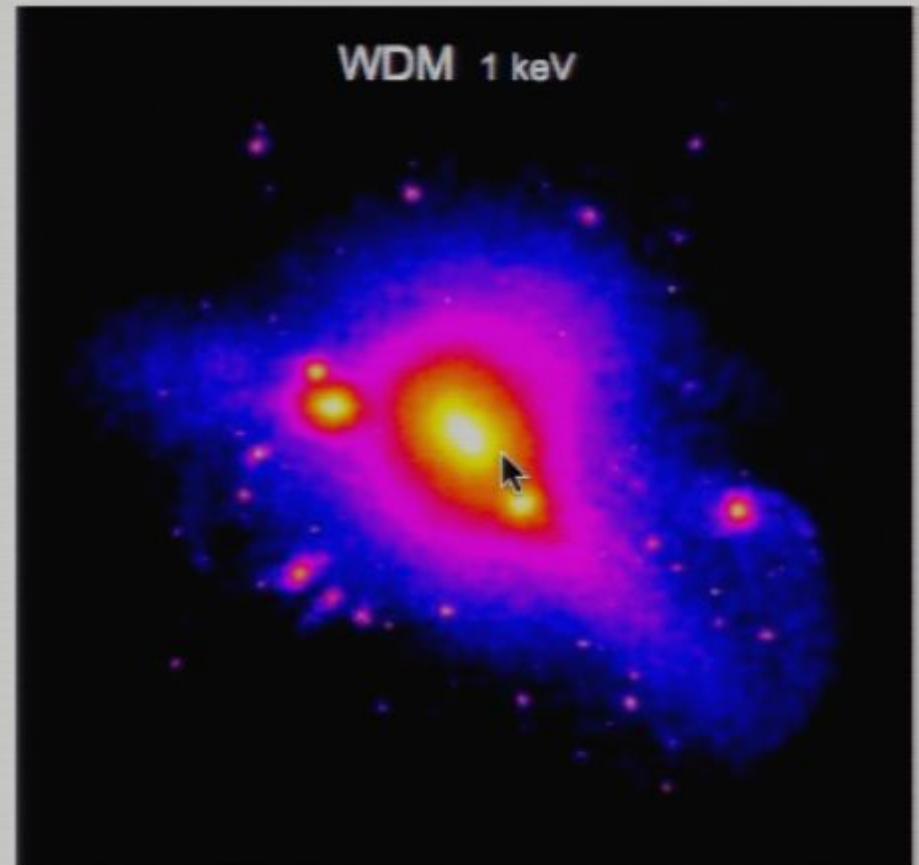
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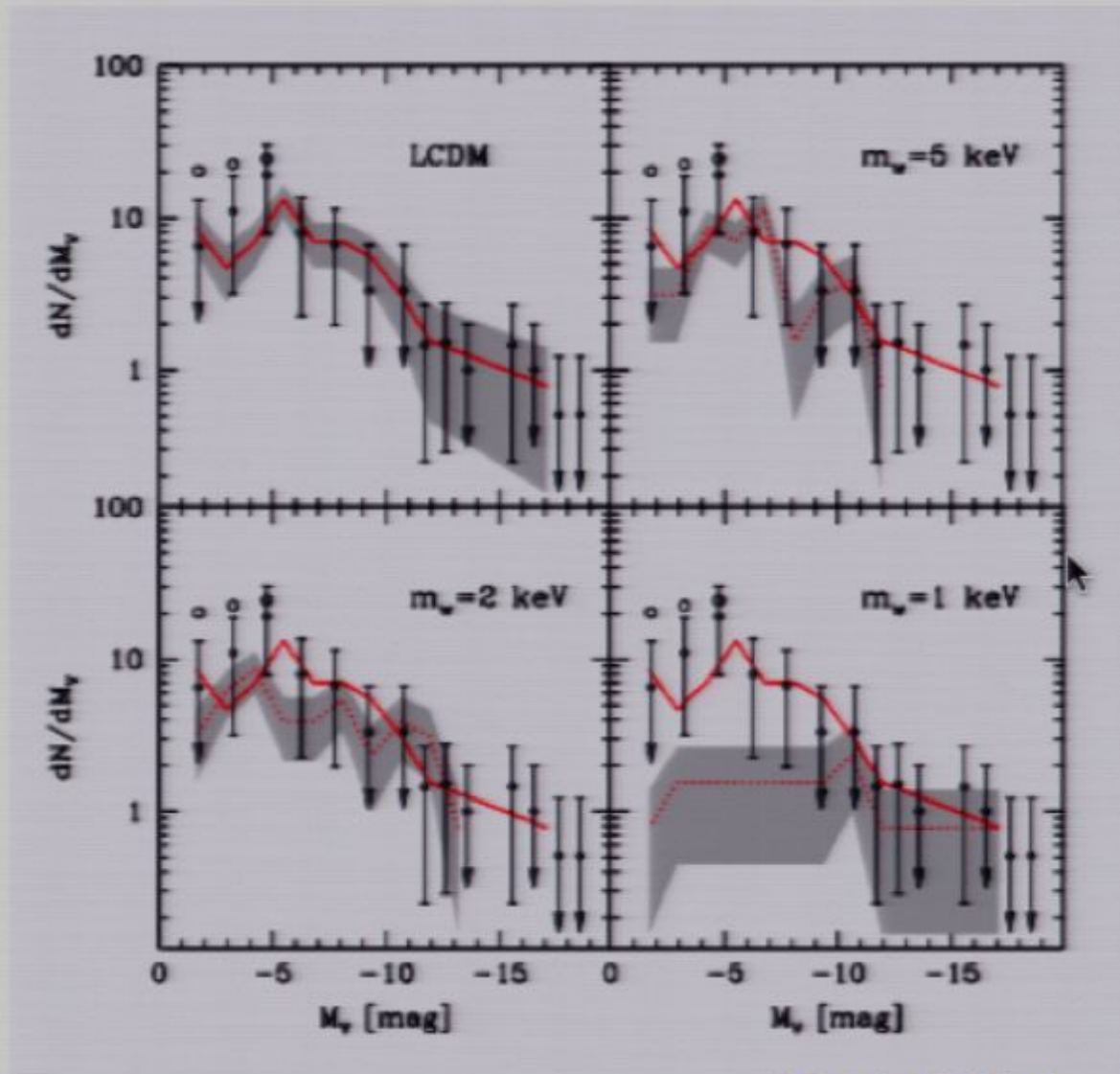
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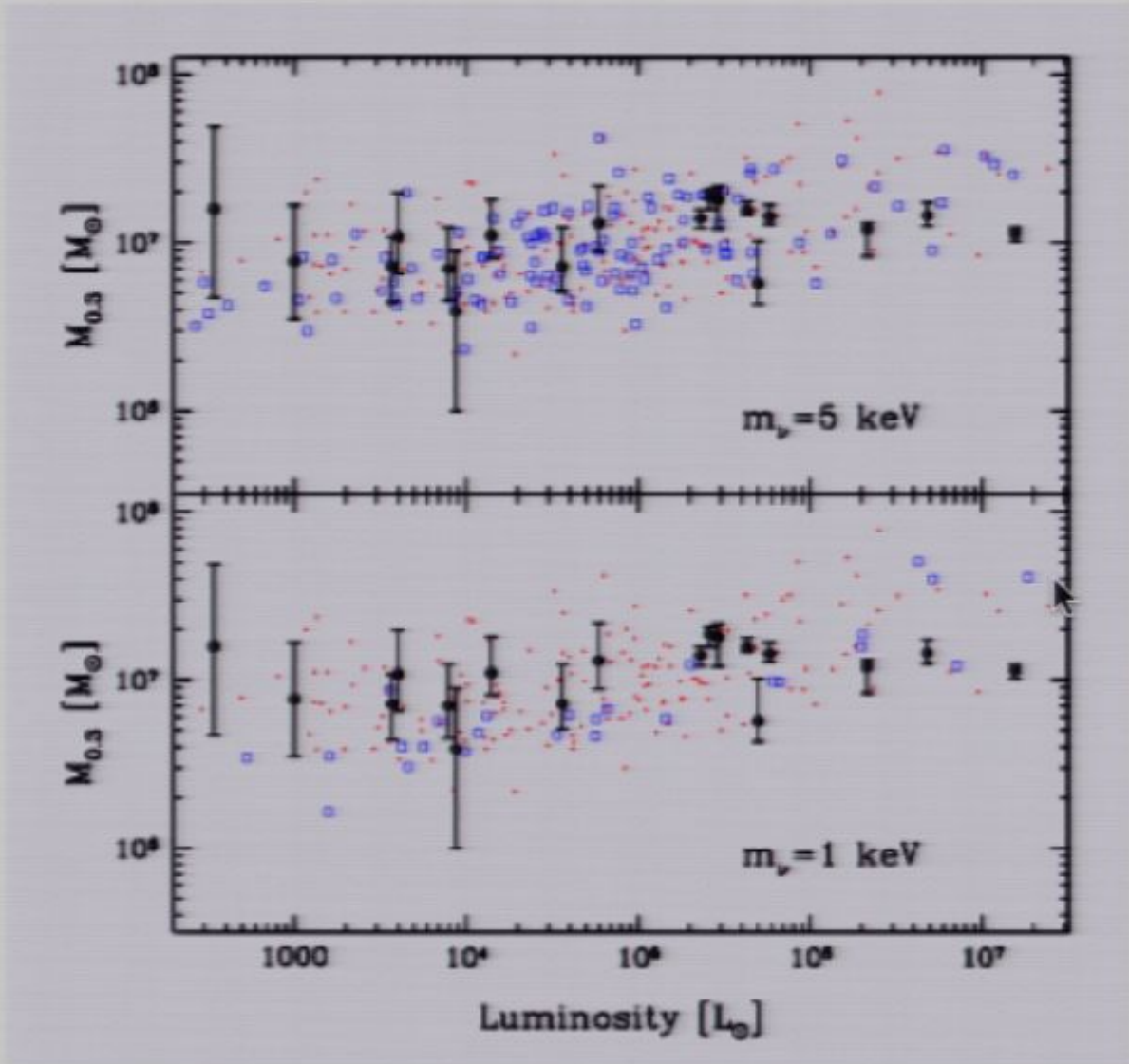
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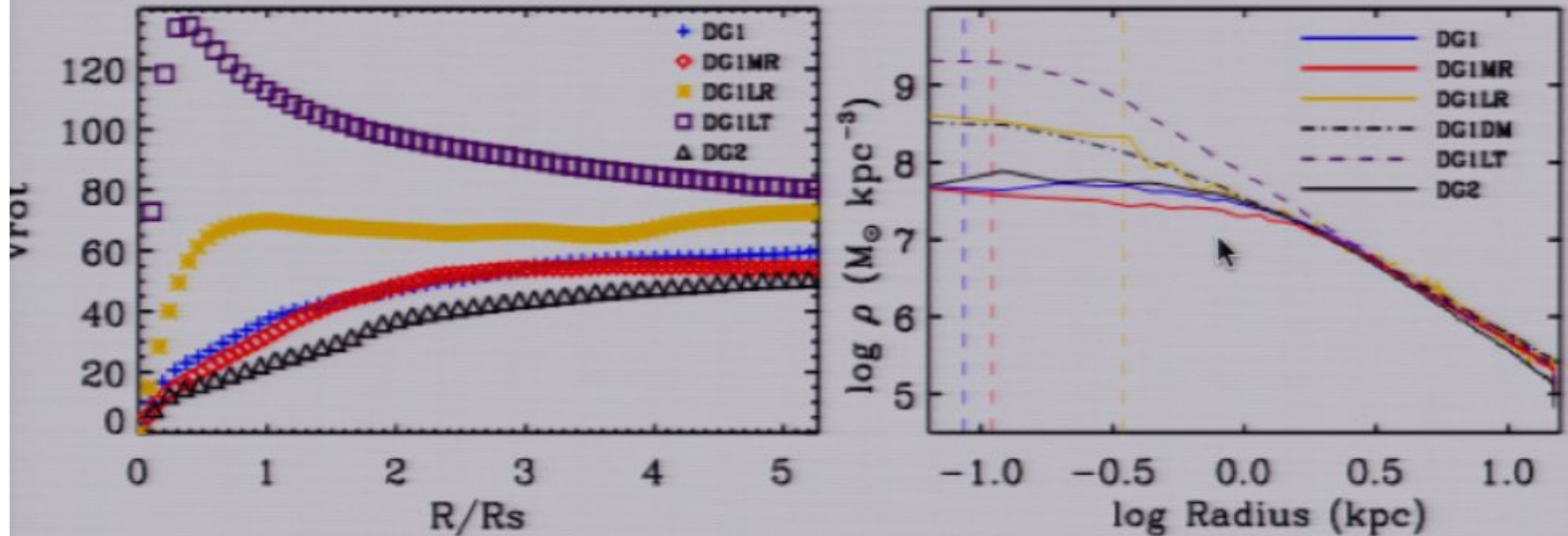


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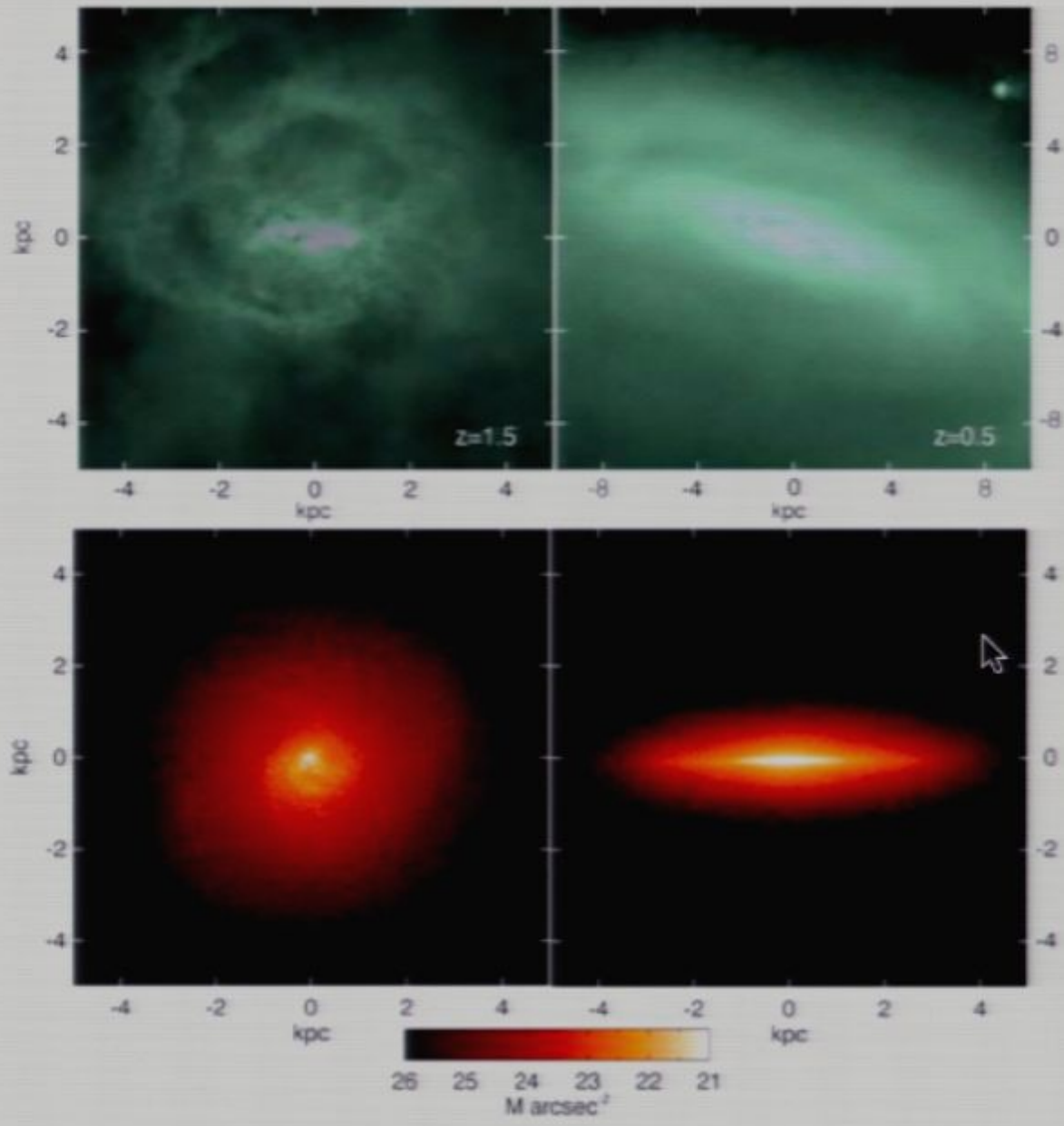


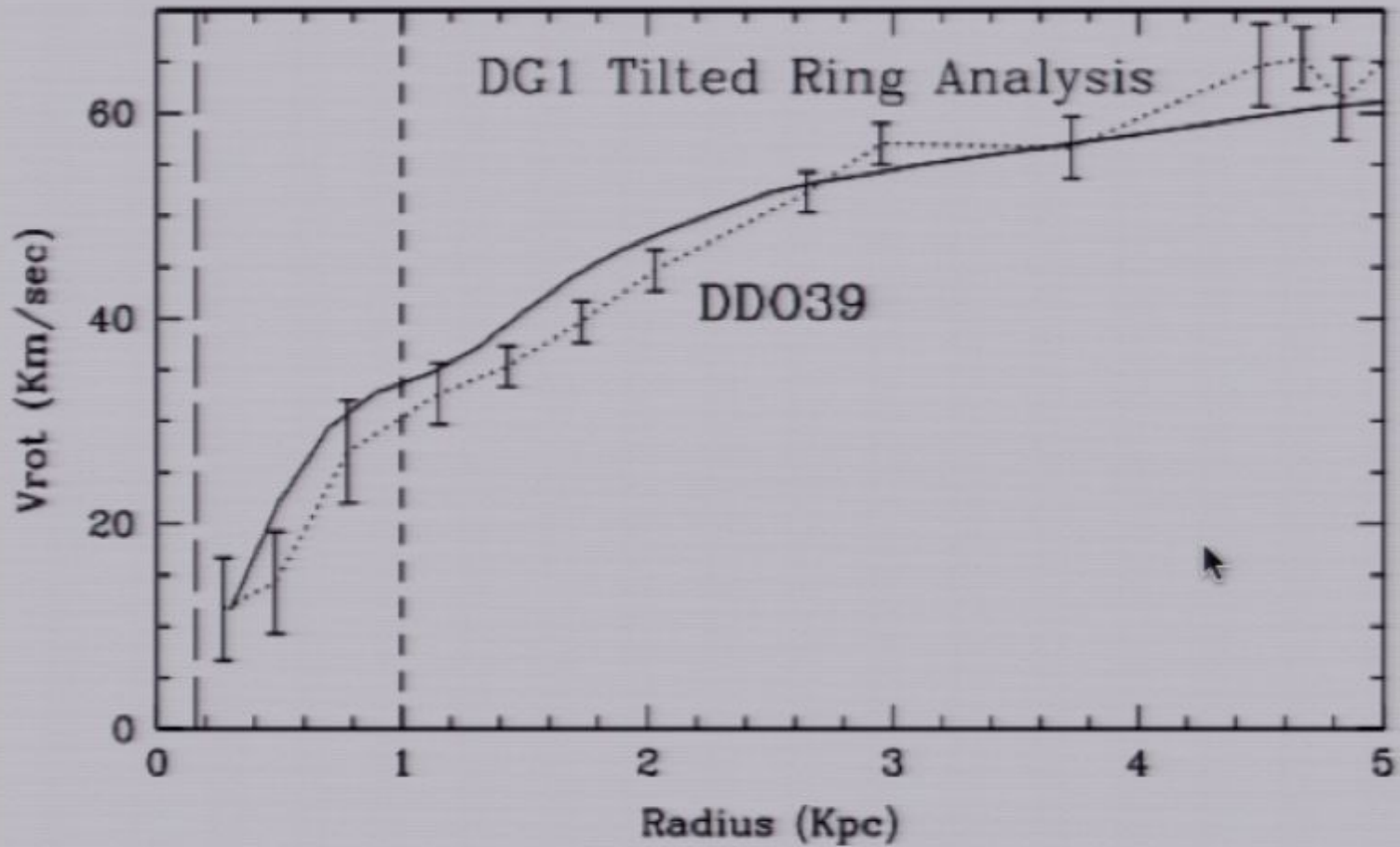
# At the heart of the matter: the origin of bulgeless dwarf galaxies and Dark Matter cores

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The inner density profile of dwarf galaxies depends strongly on resolution and the way star formation is implemented.



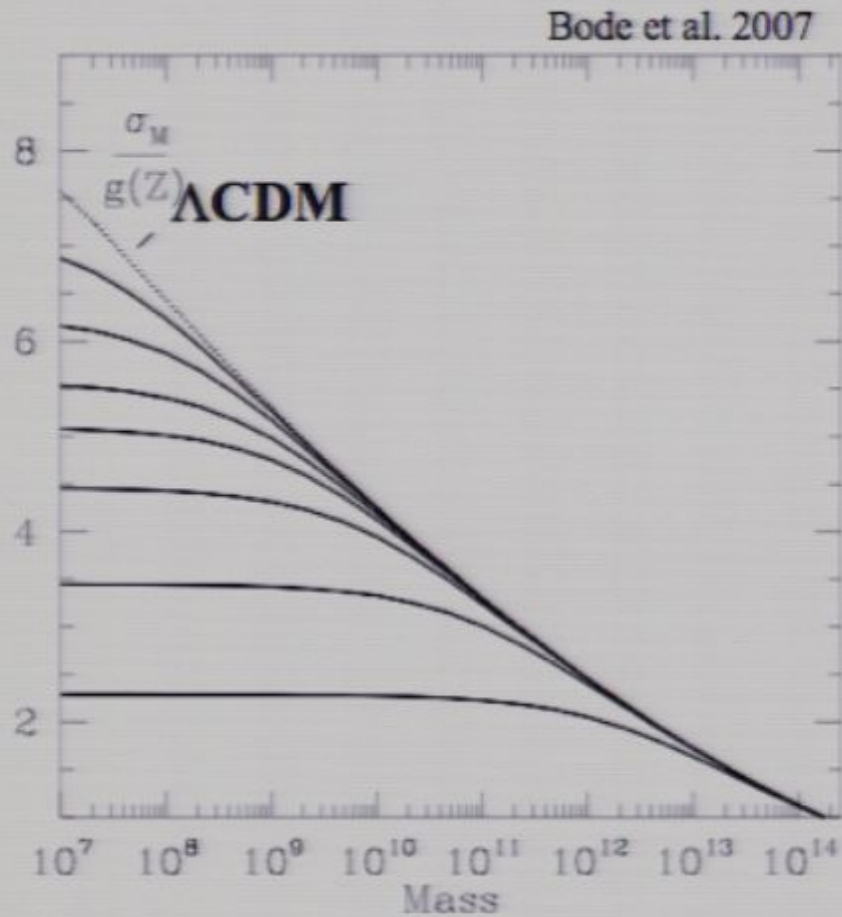


This appears to solve the cuspsiness problem of CDM

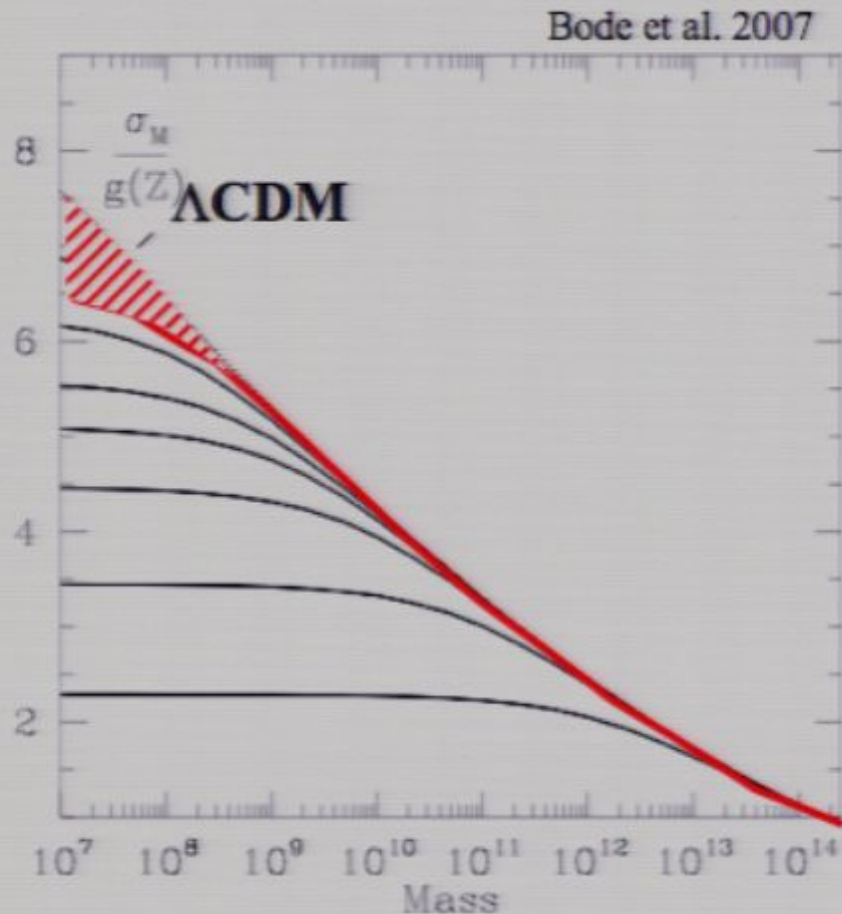




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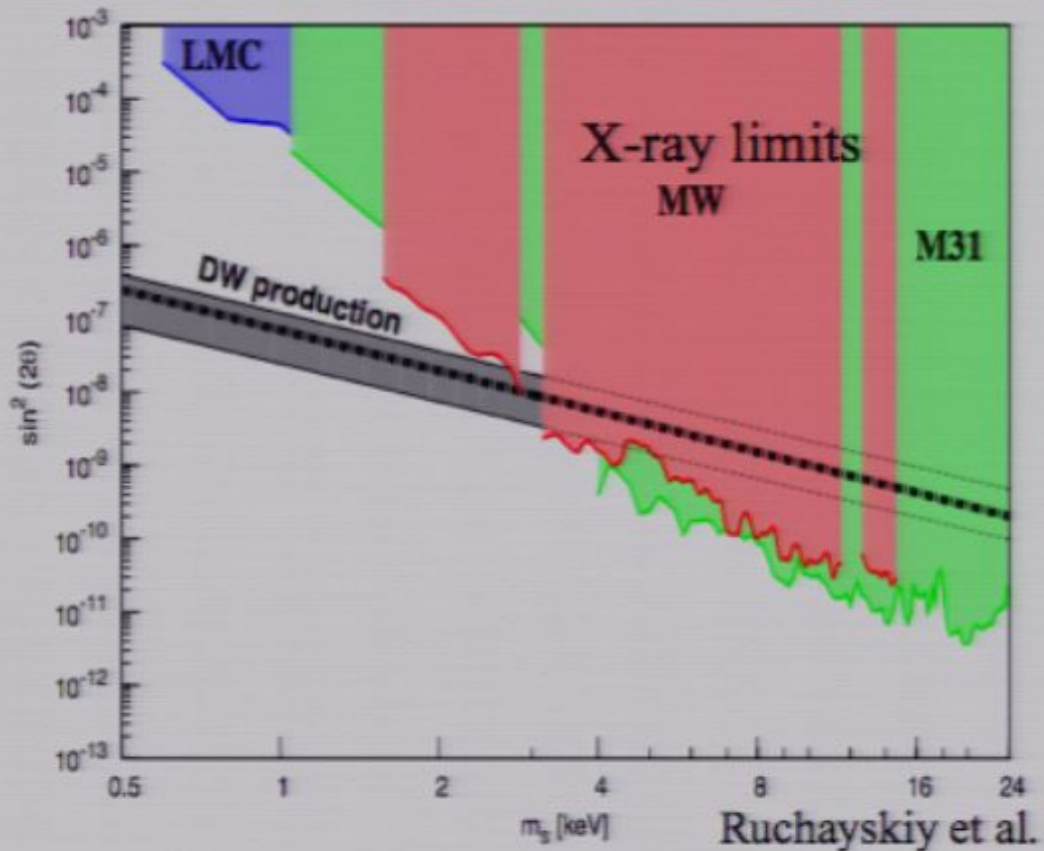
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## Limits for sterile neutrinos produced by the Dodelson-Widrow (DW) mechanism



Our Ly $\alpha$  limit translates into  $M_S > 28$  keV and completely closes the window for DM made up by sterile neutrinos produced by the DW mechanism. For  $\nu$ MSM the free-streaming and therefore the limits depend on the uncertain production mechanism.

# Dark Matter Search Using *Chandra* Observations of Willman 1, and a Spectral Feature Consistent with a Decay Line of a 5 keV Sterile Neutrino

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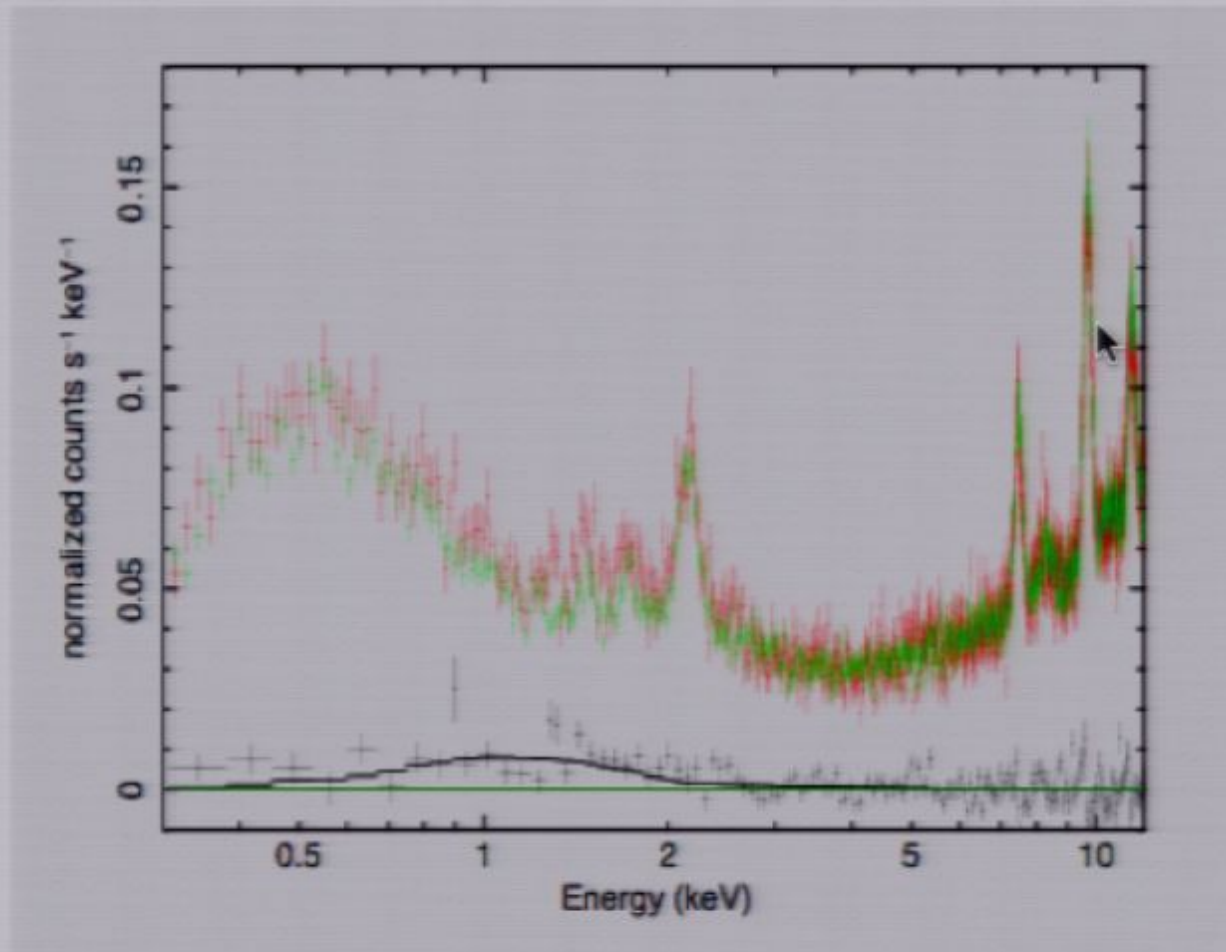
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# Masses of active neutrinos



# Cosmological redshift drift



$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - R^2(t) \left[ \frac{dr^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2 (d\Theta^2 + \sin^2 \Theta d\Phi^2) \right]$$

$$1 + z = \frac{R(t_0)}{R(t_e)}$$





# Measuring $\dot{z}$

$$dz = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t_0} dt_0 + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t_e} dt_e$$

$$\dot{z} = \frac{dz}{dt_0} = \frac{\partial z}{\partial t_0} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial t_e} \frac{dt_e}{dt_0} = \frac{\dot{a}(t_0)}{a(t_e)} - \frac{\dot{a}(t_e) a(t_0)}{a(t_e) a(t_e) (1+z)}$$

$$\dot{z} = (1+z)H_0 - H(t_e).$$



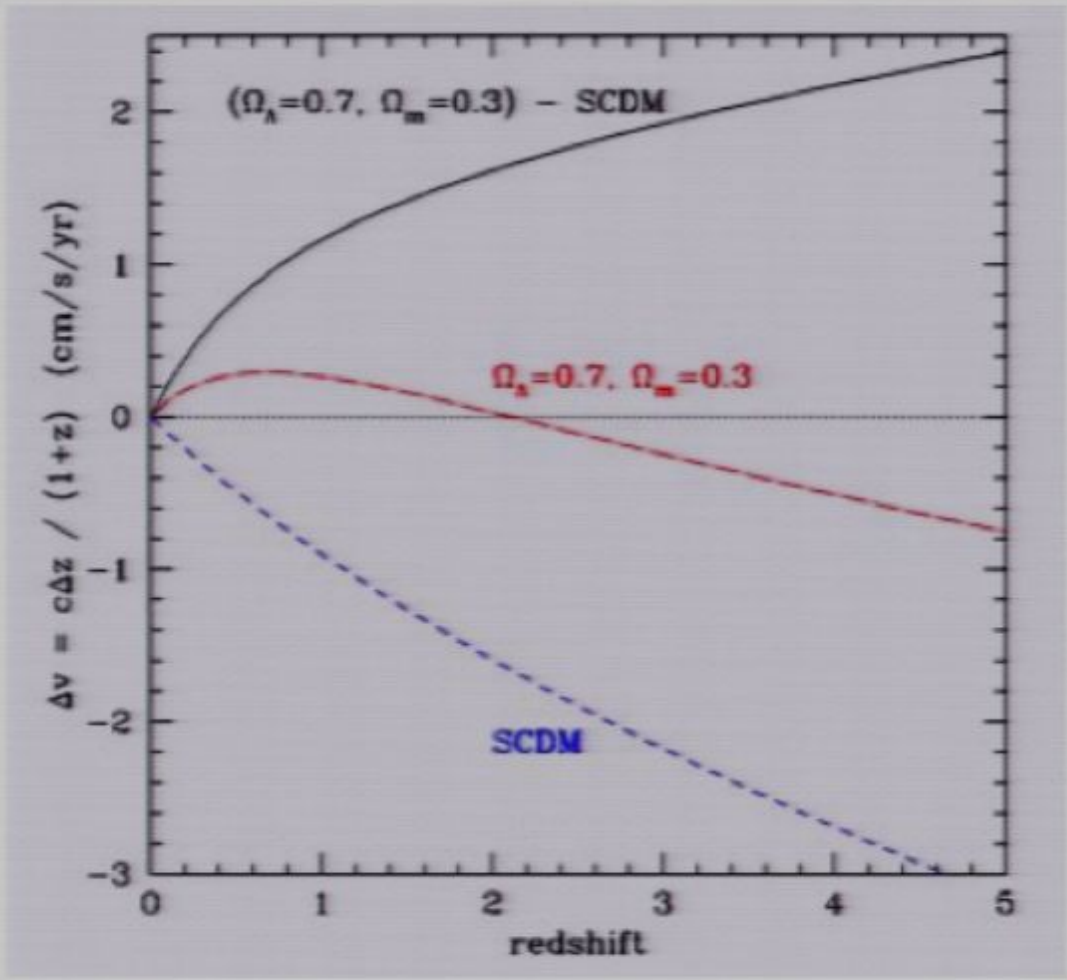
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**“It should be possible to choose between various models of the expanding universe if the deceleration of a given galaxy could be measured. Precise predictions of the expected change in  $z=d\lambda/\lambda_0$  for reasonable observing times (say 100 years) is exceedingly small. Nevertheless, the predictions are interesting, since they form part of the available theory for the evolution of the universe”**



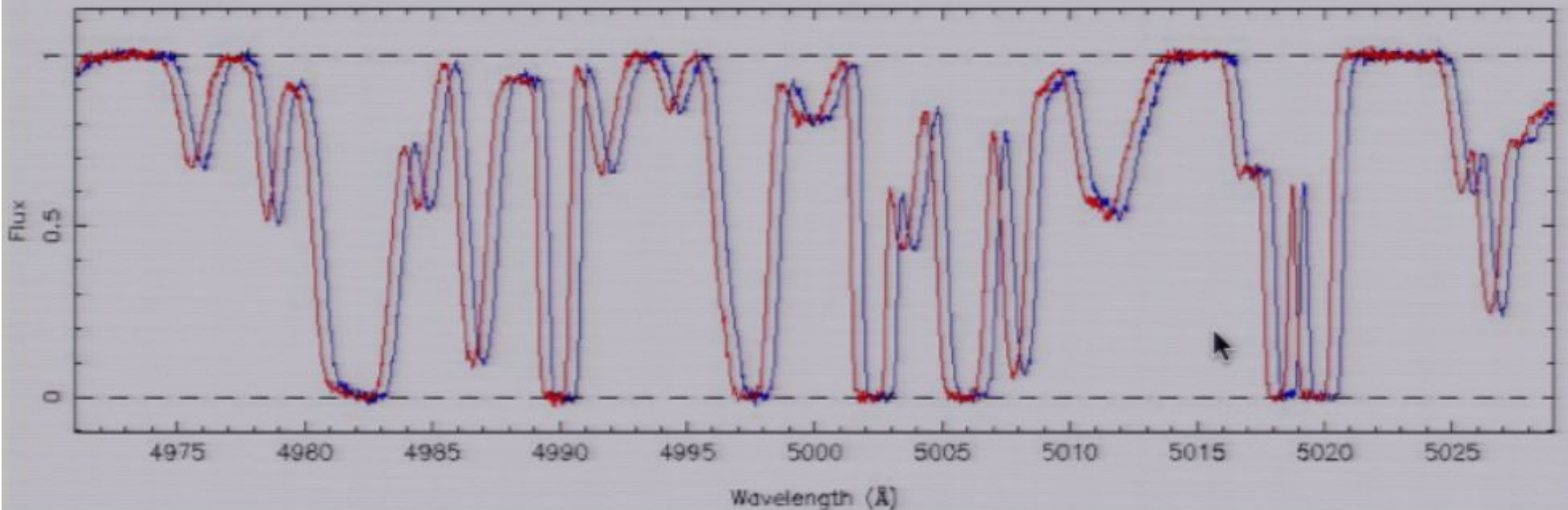
**Sandage 1962 ApJ 136,319**



The signal is small!

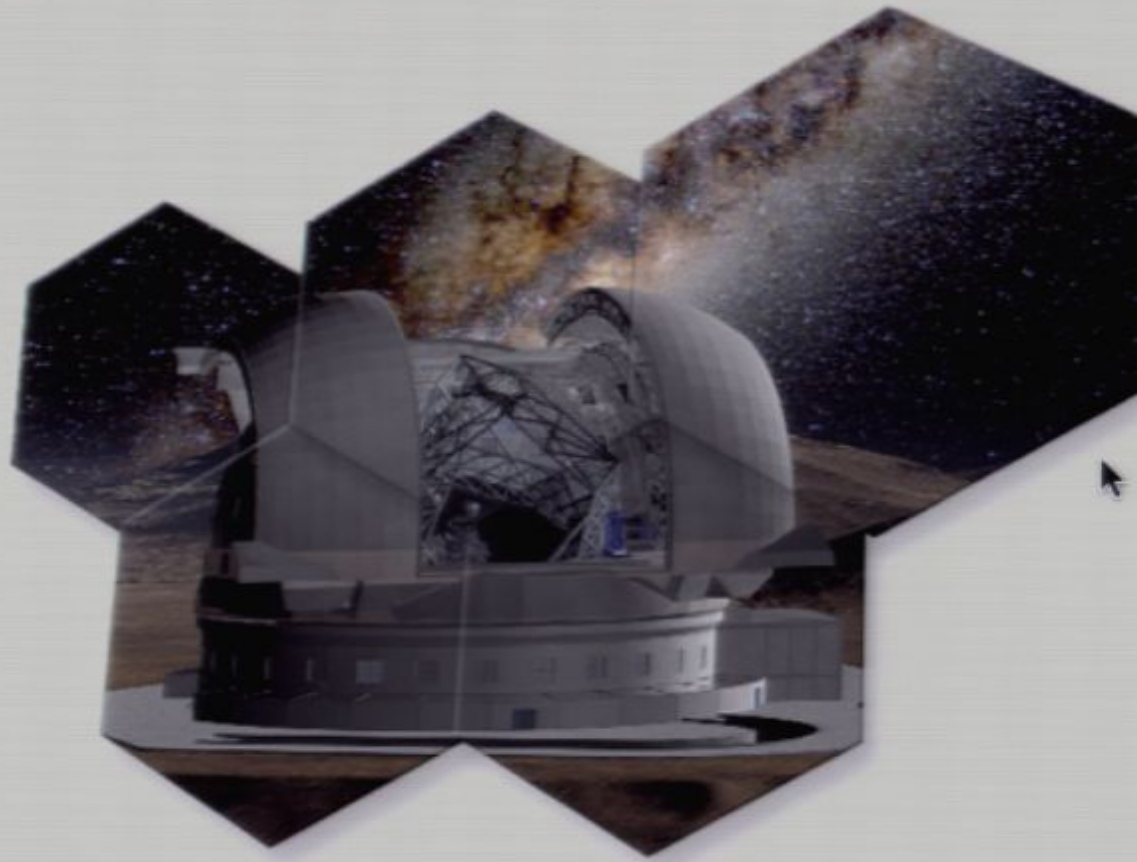


## The Ly $\alpha$ forest is the best bet



But this is for  $10^7$  years... Having somewhat less time at our disposal the shift is much smaller..

# The E-ELT



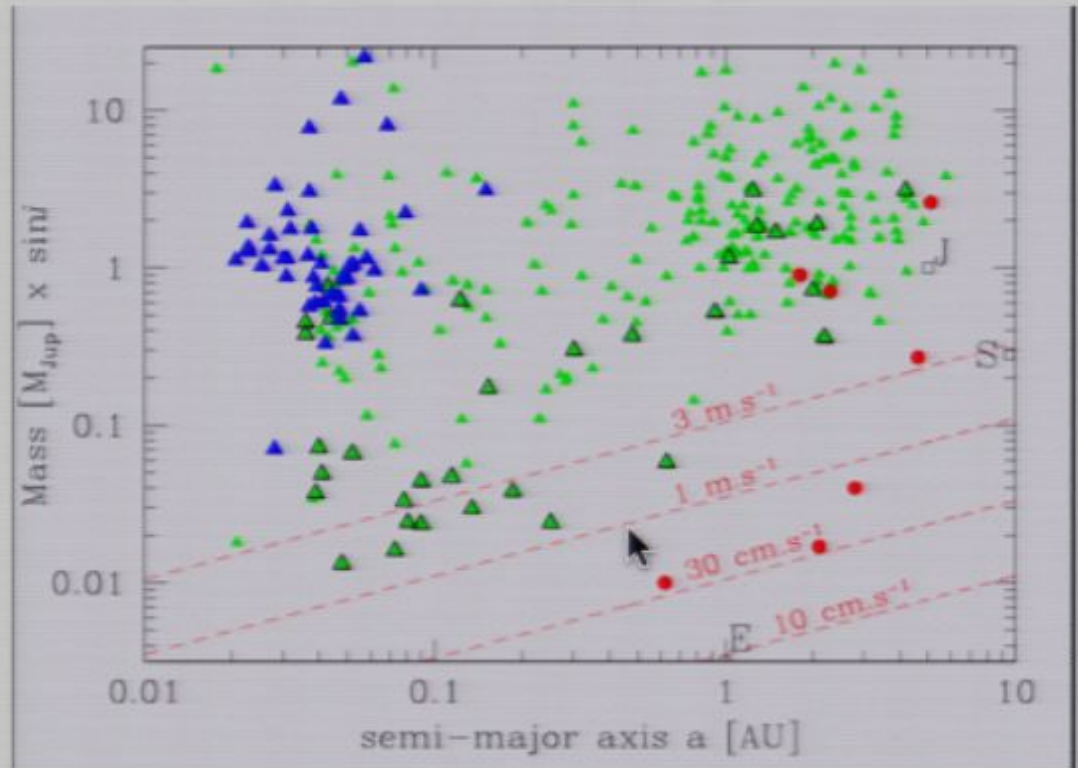
# The HARPS experience



The HARPS Spectrograph and the 3.6m Telescope

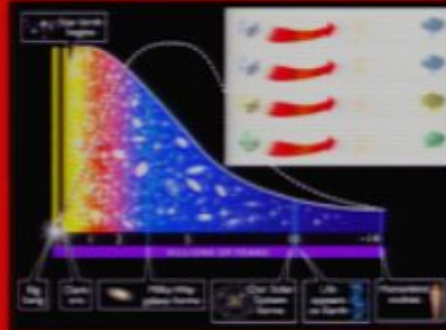
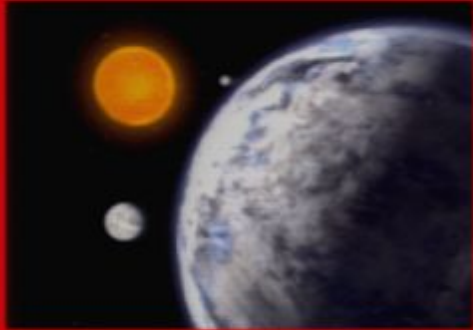
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The number of known exoplanets approaches 300.

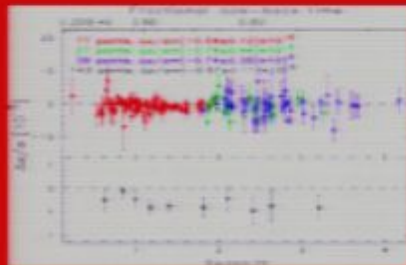
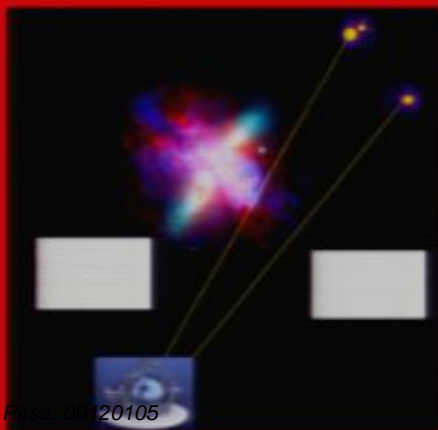
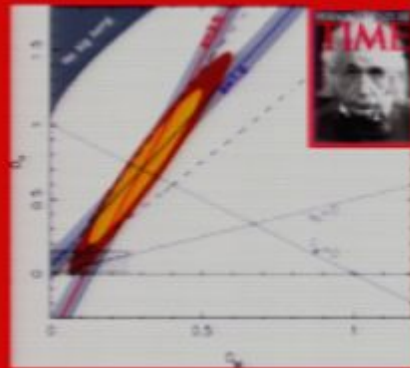




The science case  
for

## CODEX

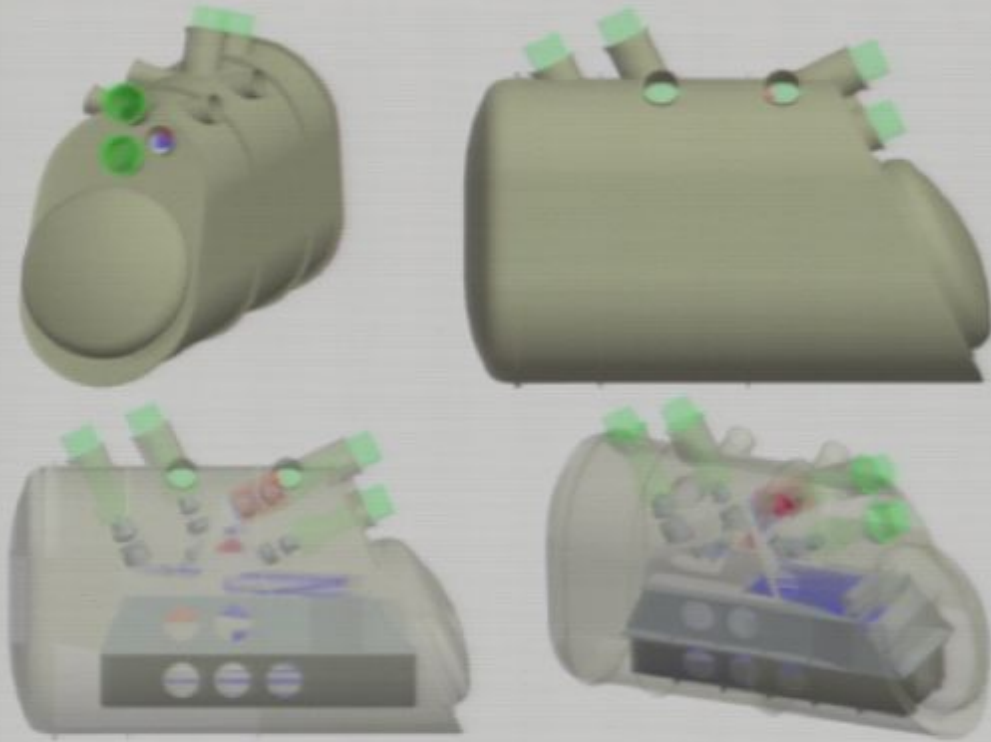
an ultra-stable  
high-resolution  
spectrograph  
for the E-ELT



## Show Cases

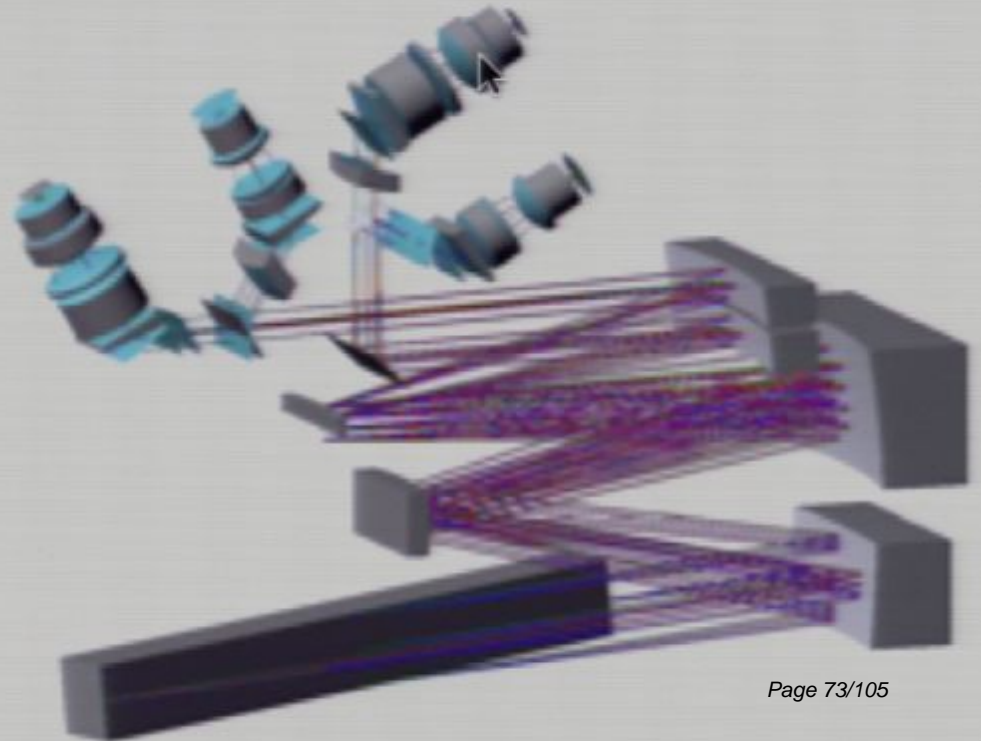
1. Cosmological redshift drift
2. Detecting Earth twins
3. Radioactive dating of stars in the Milky Way
4. Metals in the low-density IGM
5. Stability of fundamental constants



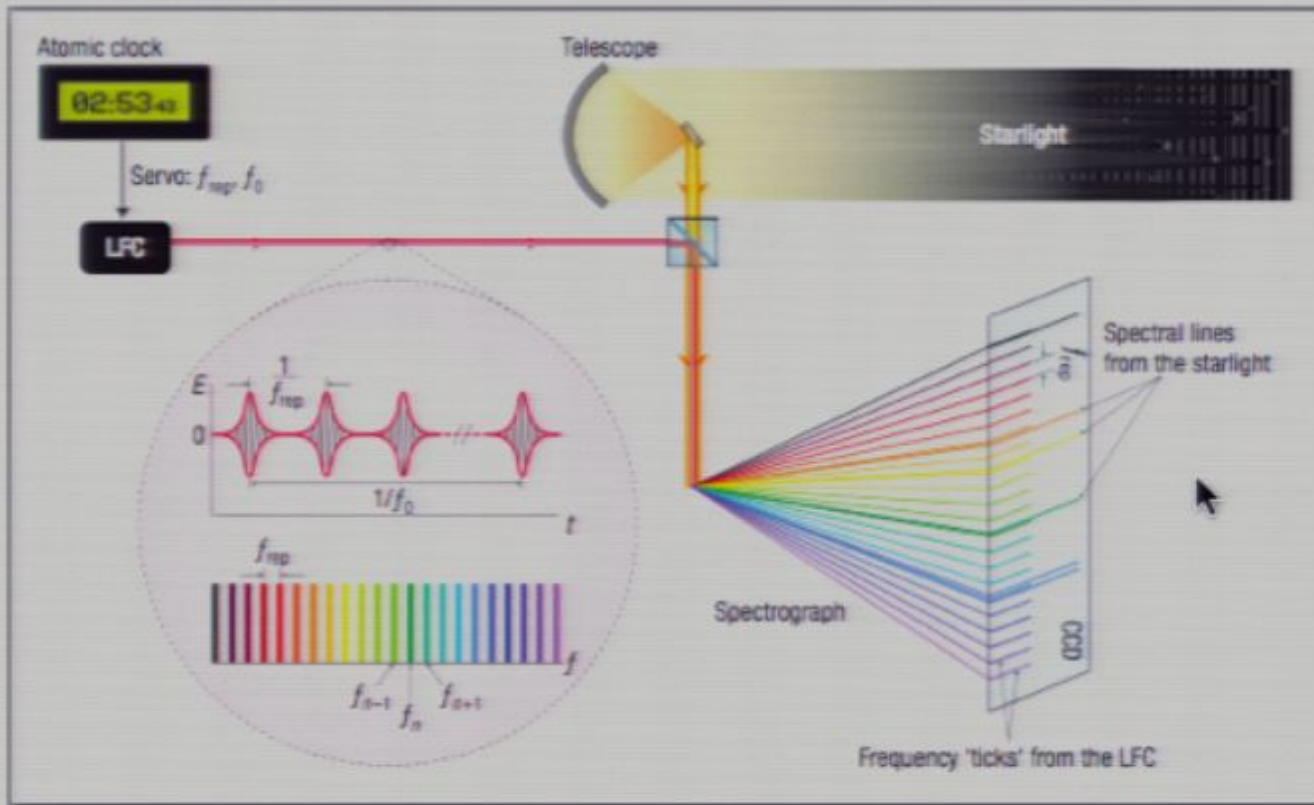


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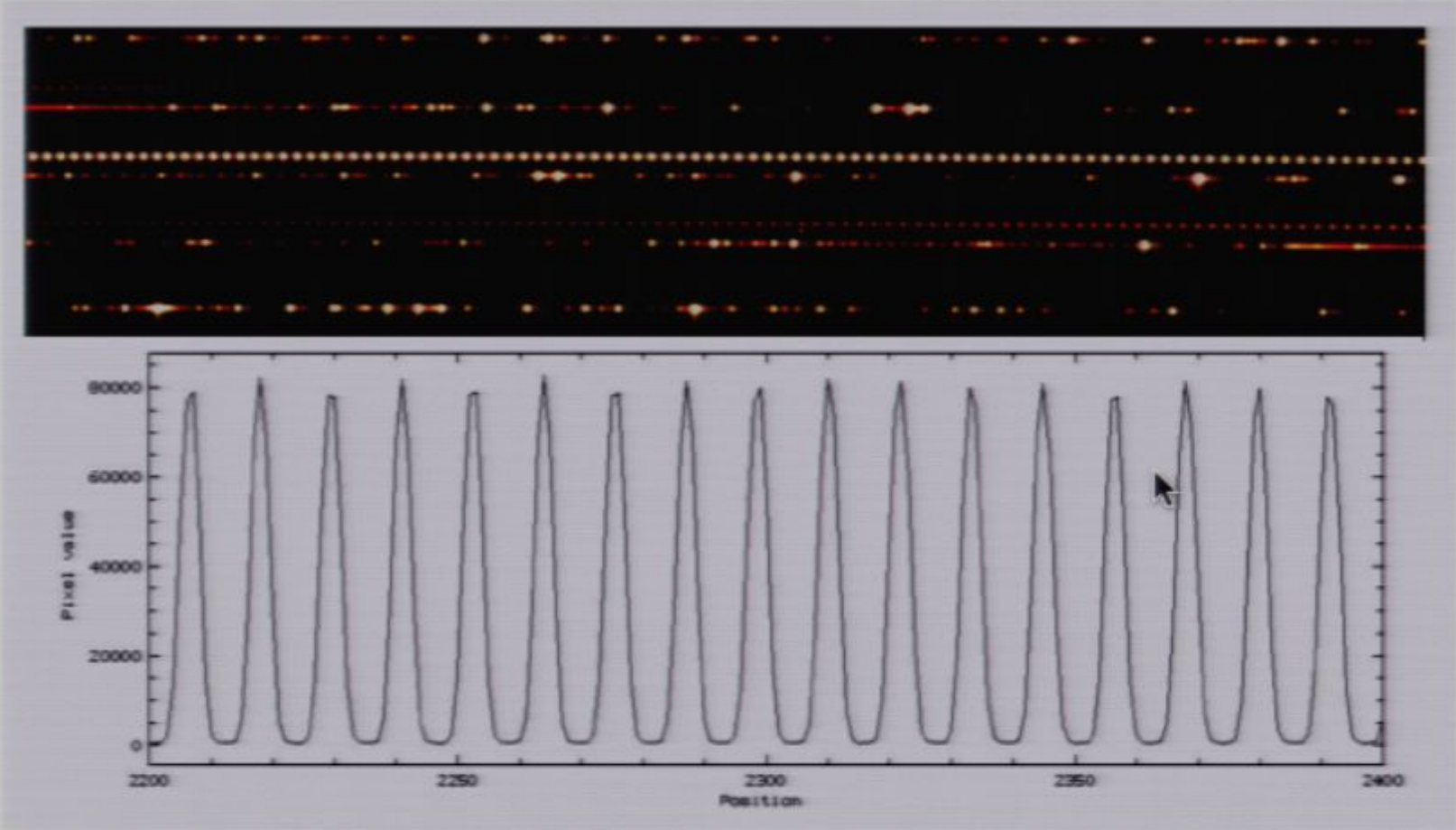


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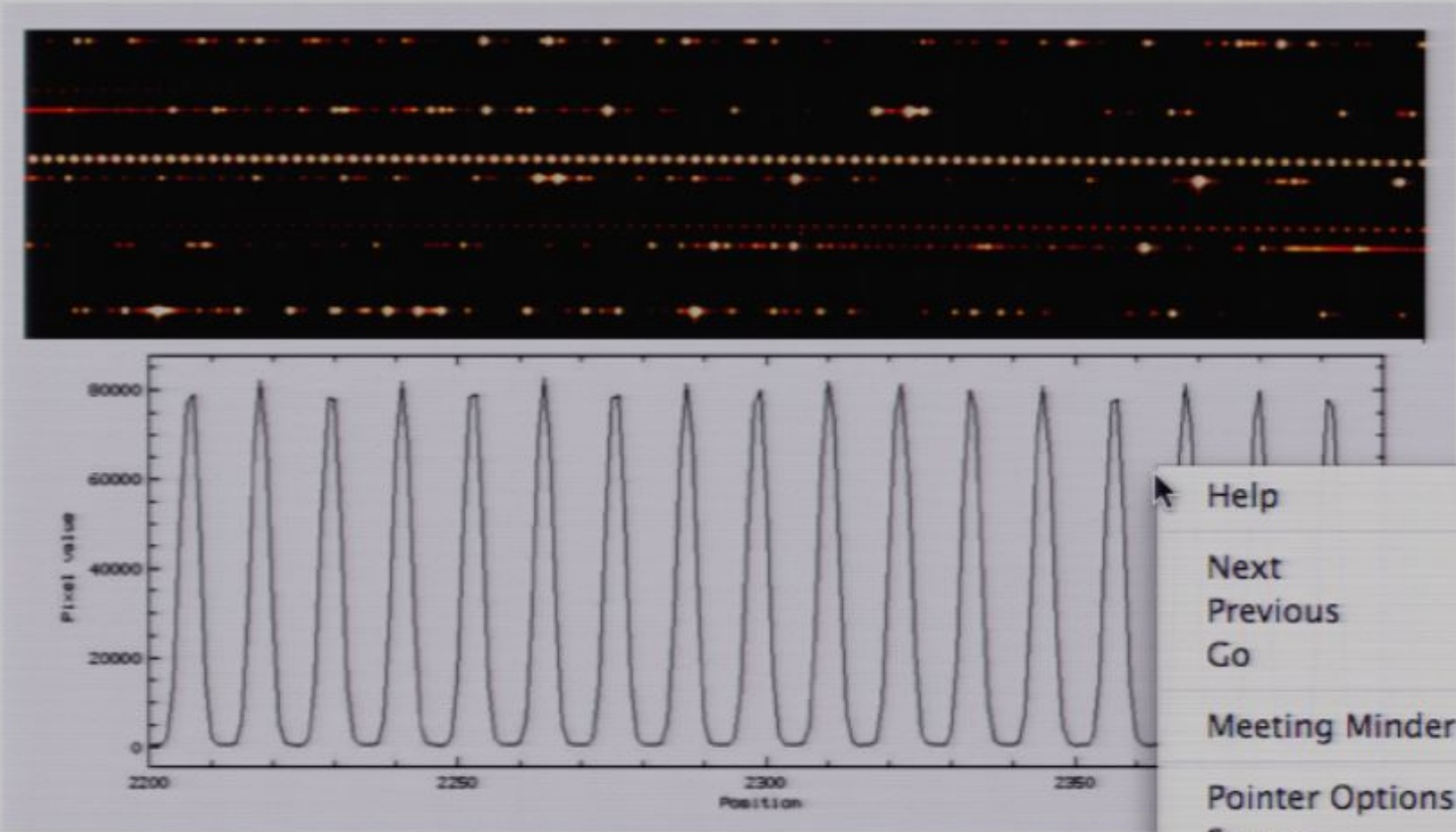
And it works



Successful implementation at HARPS

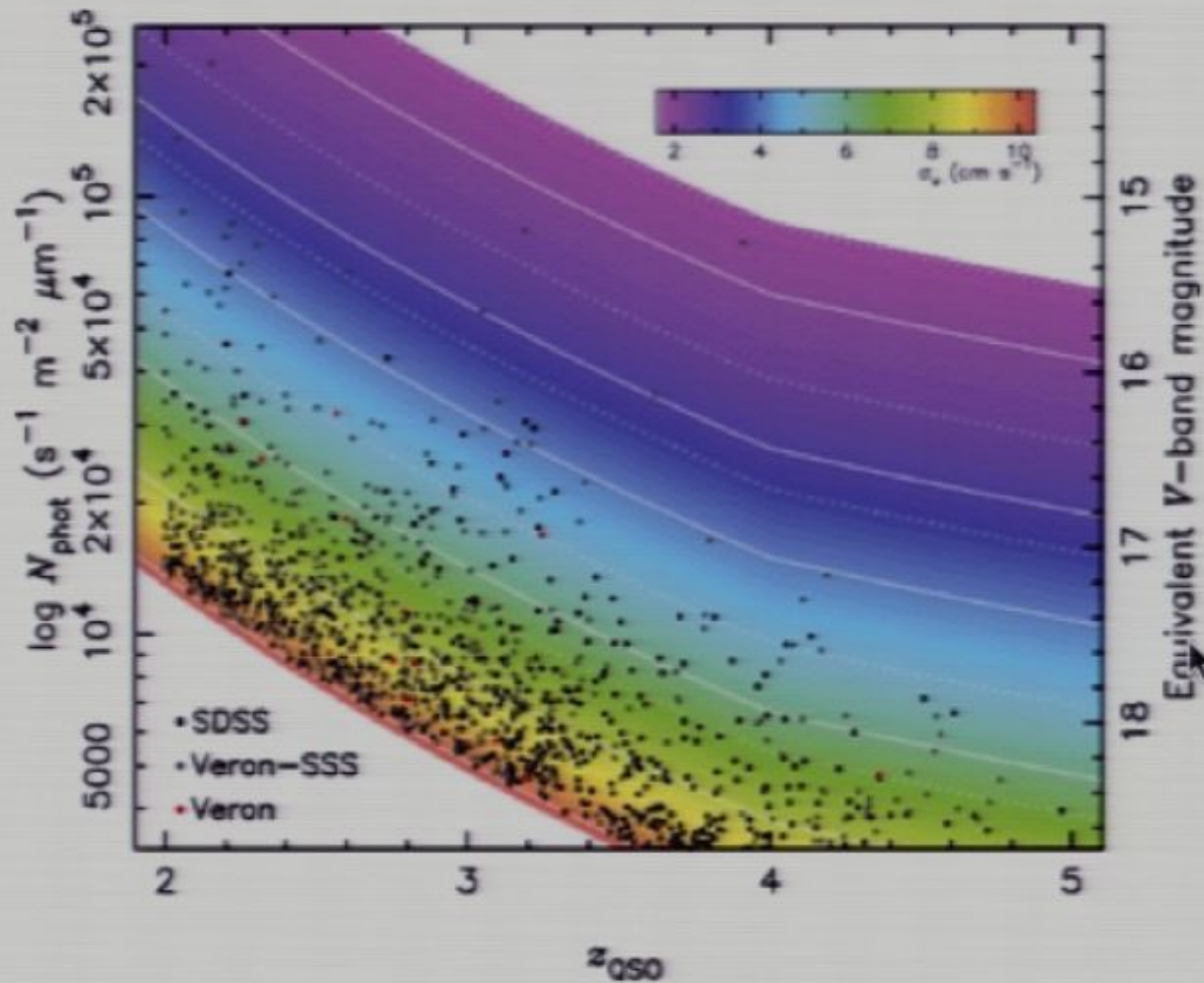


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The expected velocity accuracy for known QSOs.

# Design Reference Mission Proposal

1. Title Category: **A-8**  
 Monitoring the redshift-drift of the Lyman-alpha forest – a direct measurement of the dynamical evolution of the Universe

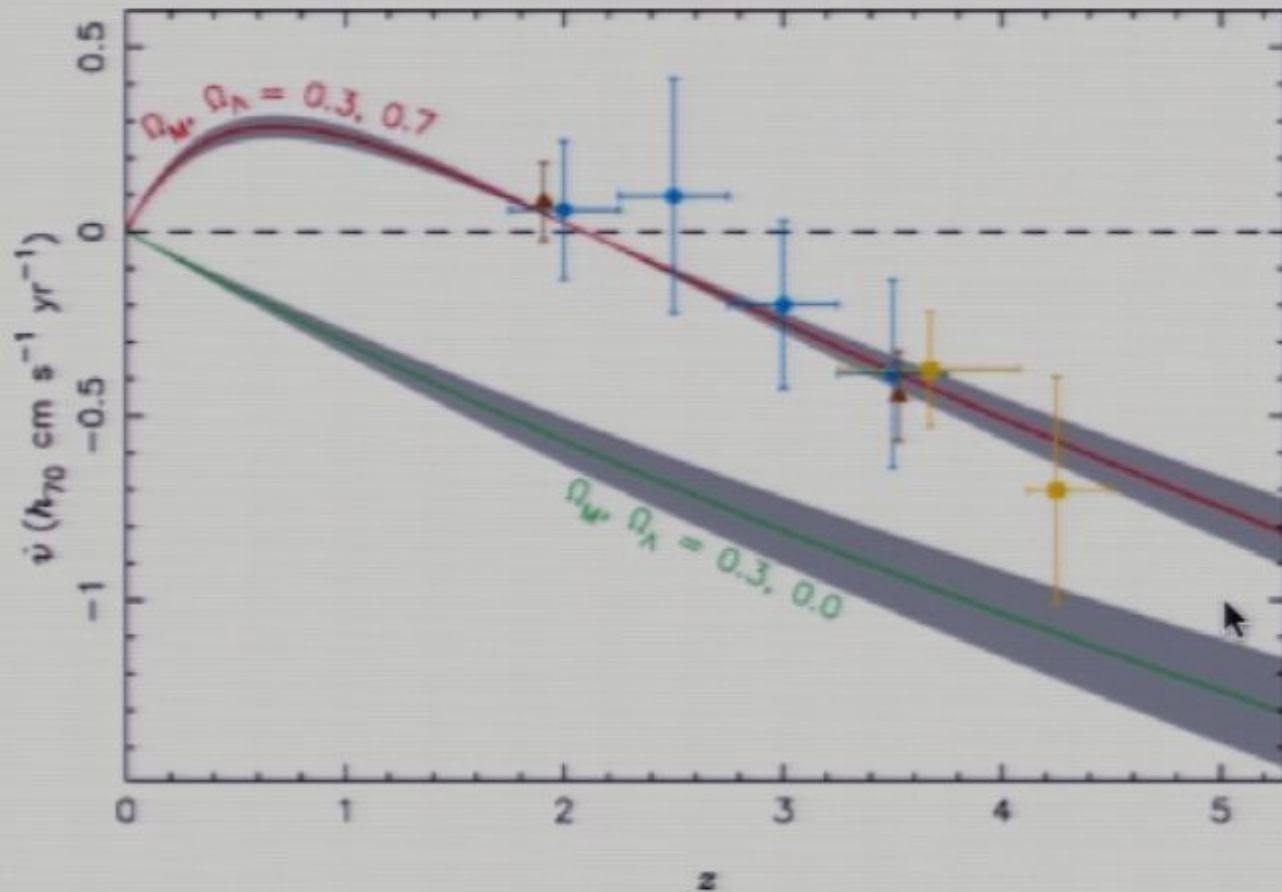
2. Abstract / Total Time Requested  
 Total Amount of Time: 3660h Total Number of Semesters: 30  
 We propose to monitor the redshift drift of the Ly $\alpha$  forest and associated metal lines of a sample of high (1000-3300) S/N spectra of 30 very bright QSOs in the redshift range  $2 < z < 4.5$  with the ultra-stable high resolution optical spectrograph on the E-ELT for a period of 15 yrs. The redshift drift is sensitive to the difference of the expansion rate today and the expansion rate at the redshift of the absorbing structures and is directly related to the acceleration of the Universe. With the proposed observations we can achieve an overall measurement accuracy of 3.2 cm/s. By monitoring the drift of the Ly $\alpha$  forest over a wide redshift range we will measure the instantaneous expansion rate of the Universe today and the expansion rate at high redshift. The measurement of the expansion rate and its evolution at high redshift will be an important test of General Relativity. The measurement of the instantaneous expansion rate will test whether the Universe expands today at the rate expected from other astronomical measurements which generally constitute measurements of the expansion rate averaged over hundred Myrs or more. The observations proposed can be used as a first epoch measurement for more accurate measurements by future generation of astronomers and will thus leave a long lasting legacy. The acquired spectra will represent a unique resource for a wide range of QSO absorption line studies.

3. Run	Period	Instrument	Time	Month	Moon	Seeing	Sky Trans.	Obs.Mode
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4. Principal Investigator: **L. Pasquini** (ESO, D, lpasquin@eso.org)  
 Col(s): M. Haehnelt (IoA, UK), on behalf of the CODEX team (OTHER, OTHER), and the ESO-ELT SWG (OTHER, OTHER)



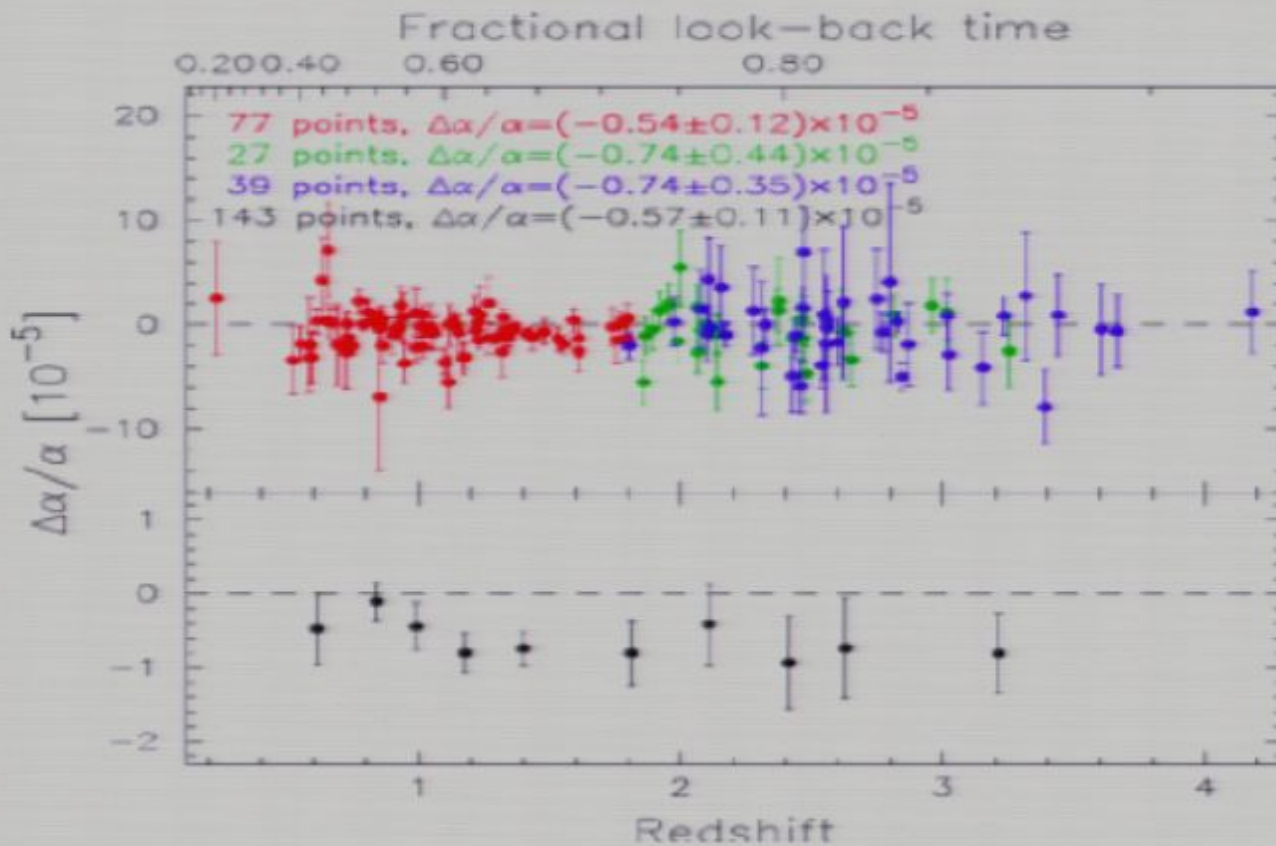


This is what we can expect for a realistic observing campaign.

# Stability of fundamental constants



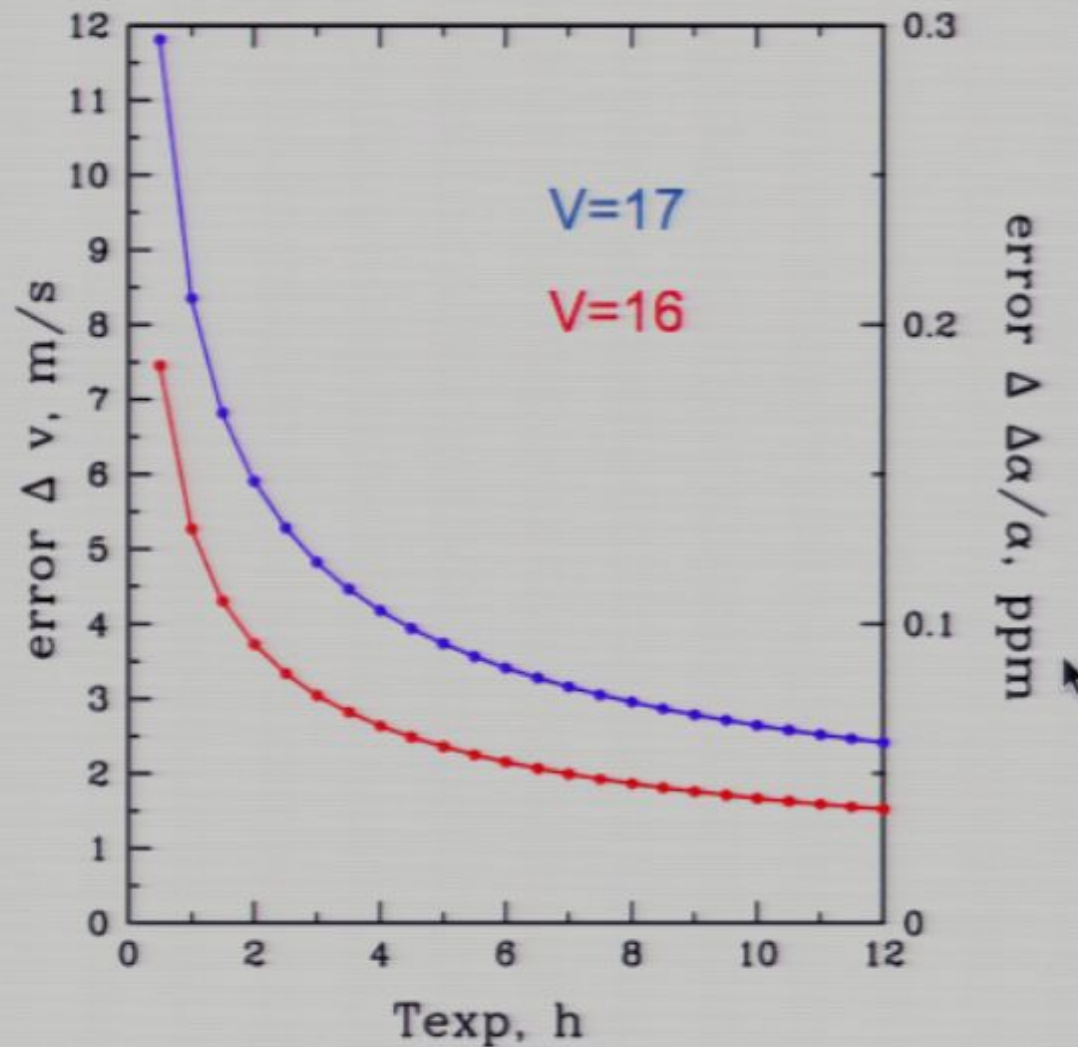




Wavelength  
calibration?

Murphy et al. 2004

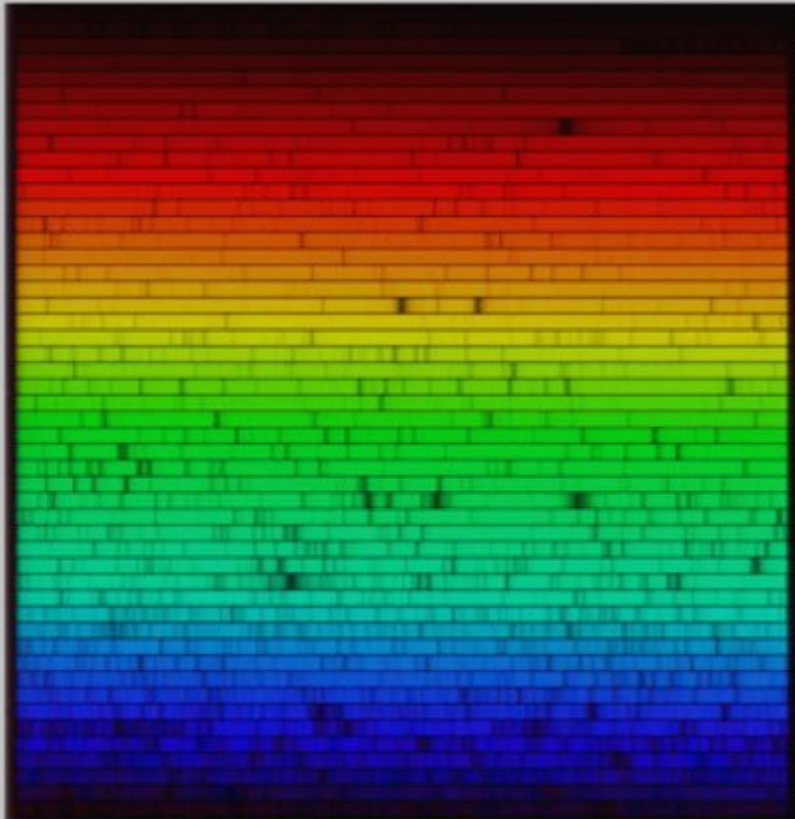
$$\frac{\Delta\alpha}{\alpha} = (-5.7 \pm 1.1) \times 10^{-6} \quad ?$$



With Codex the errors will be photon-noise limited and the limits will improve by two orders of magnitude or more.



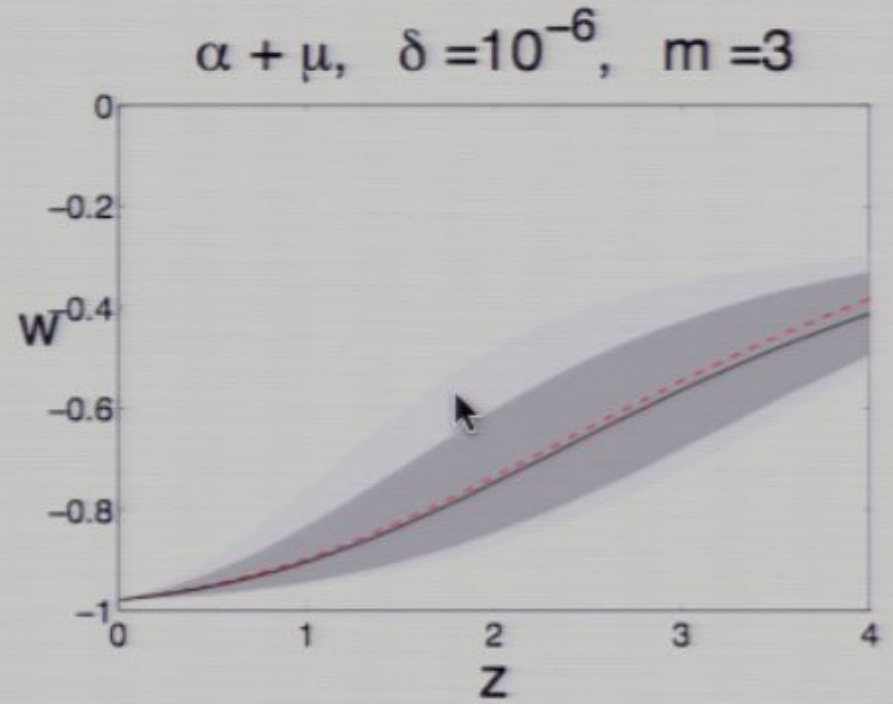
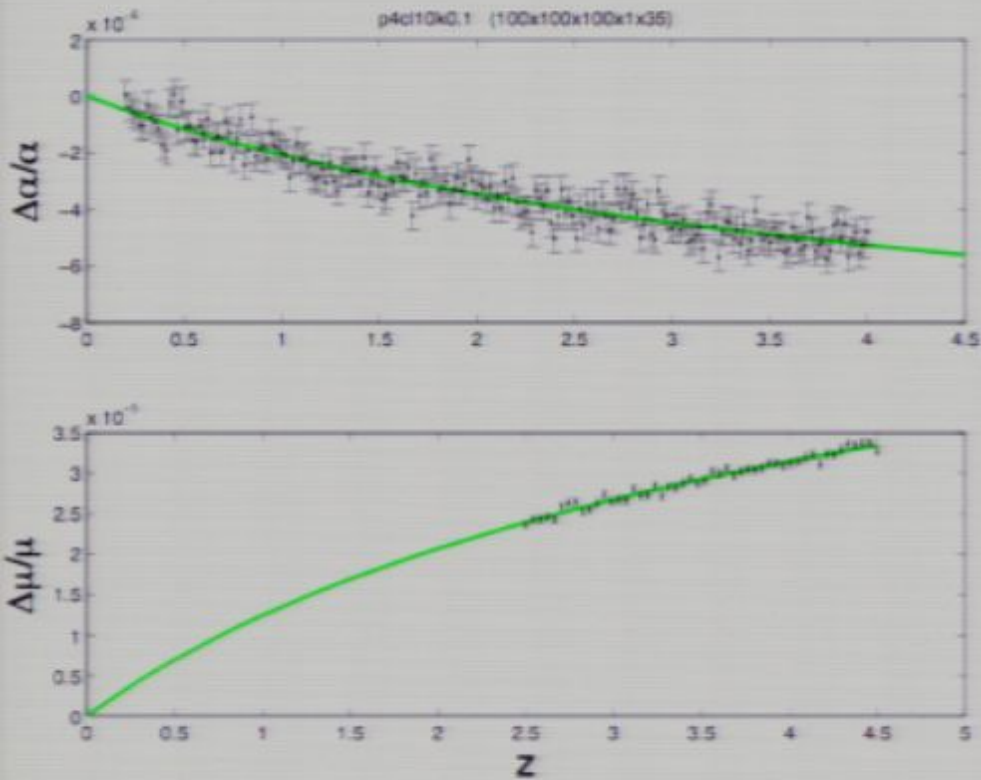
Be prepared for the unexpected



$$i\hbar \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t) = \hat{H} \Psi(\mathbf{r}, t)$$

The development of quantum mechanics built on astrophysical spectroscopy.

Perhaps the dark energy couples to electro-magnetic fields?



Avelino et al. 2006, Nunes

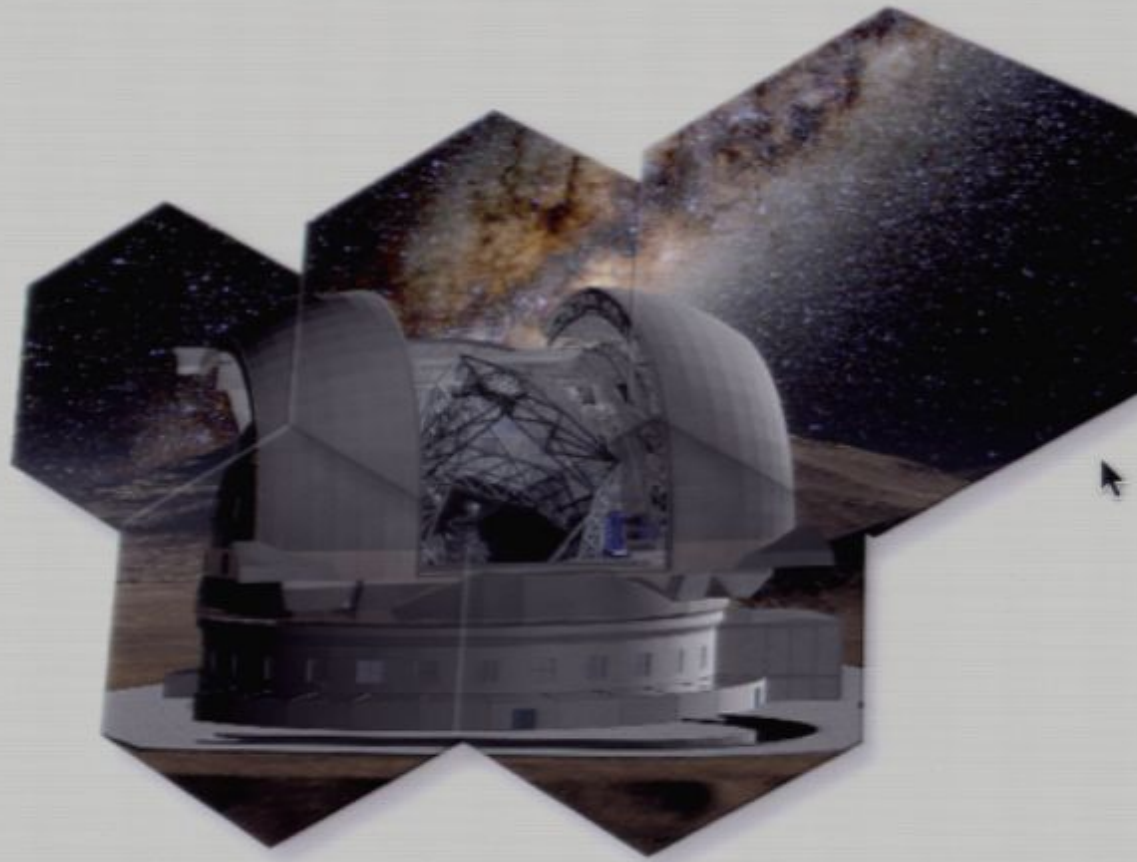


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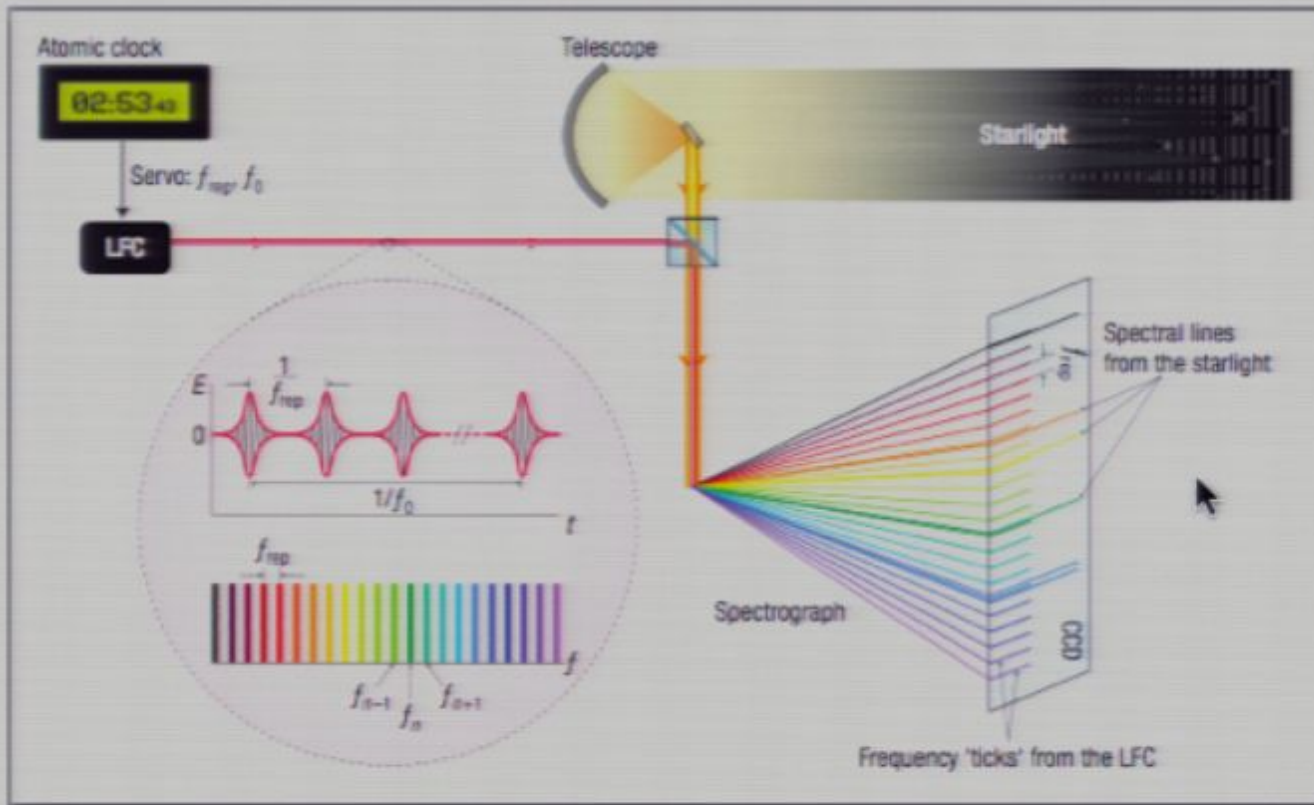
- for astrophysical (galaxies) purposes DM is cold
- interesting but production mechanism dependent constraints on sterile neutrinos
- cm/s spectroscopic accuracy in reach with ELTs



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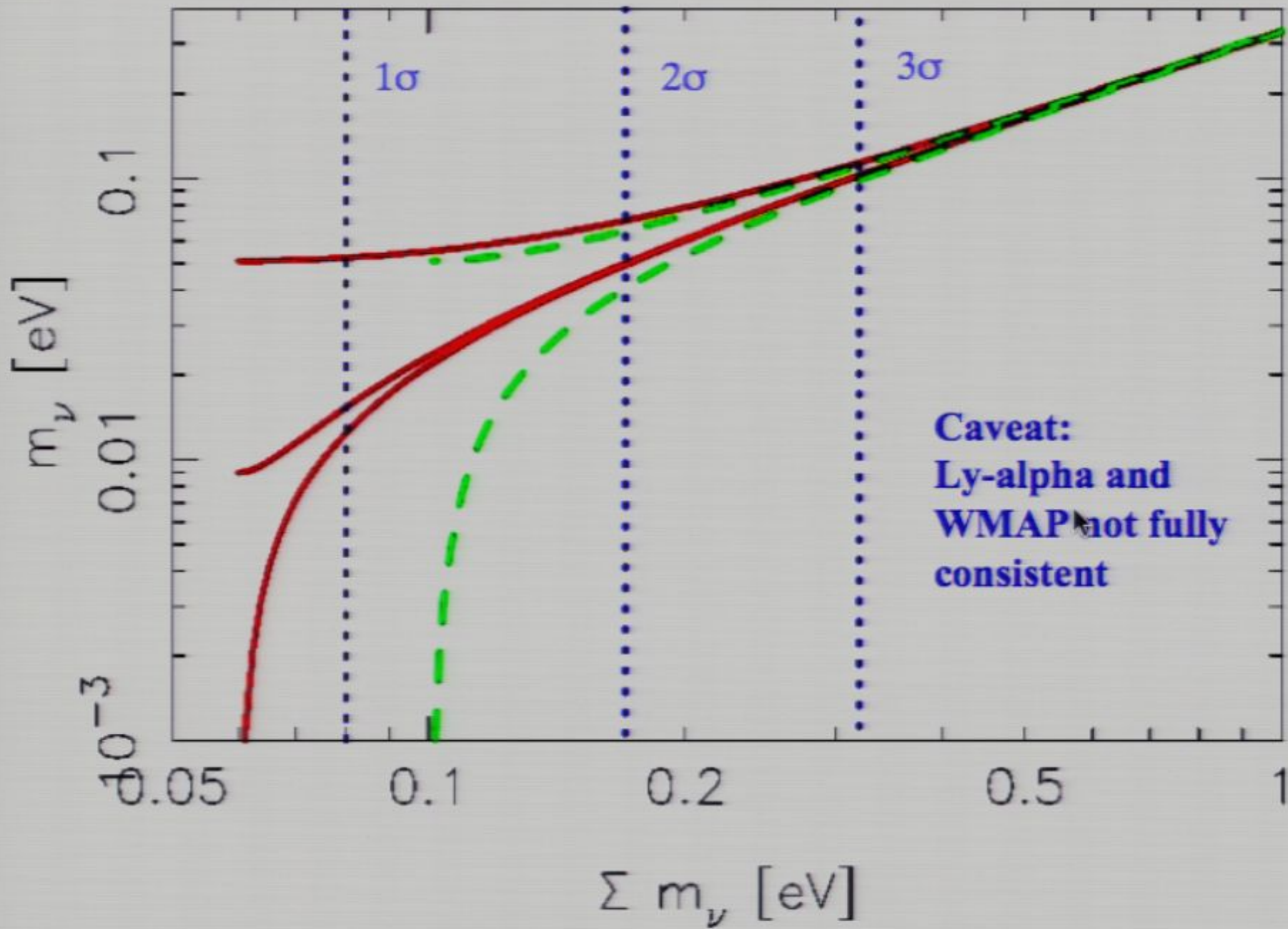




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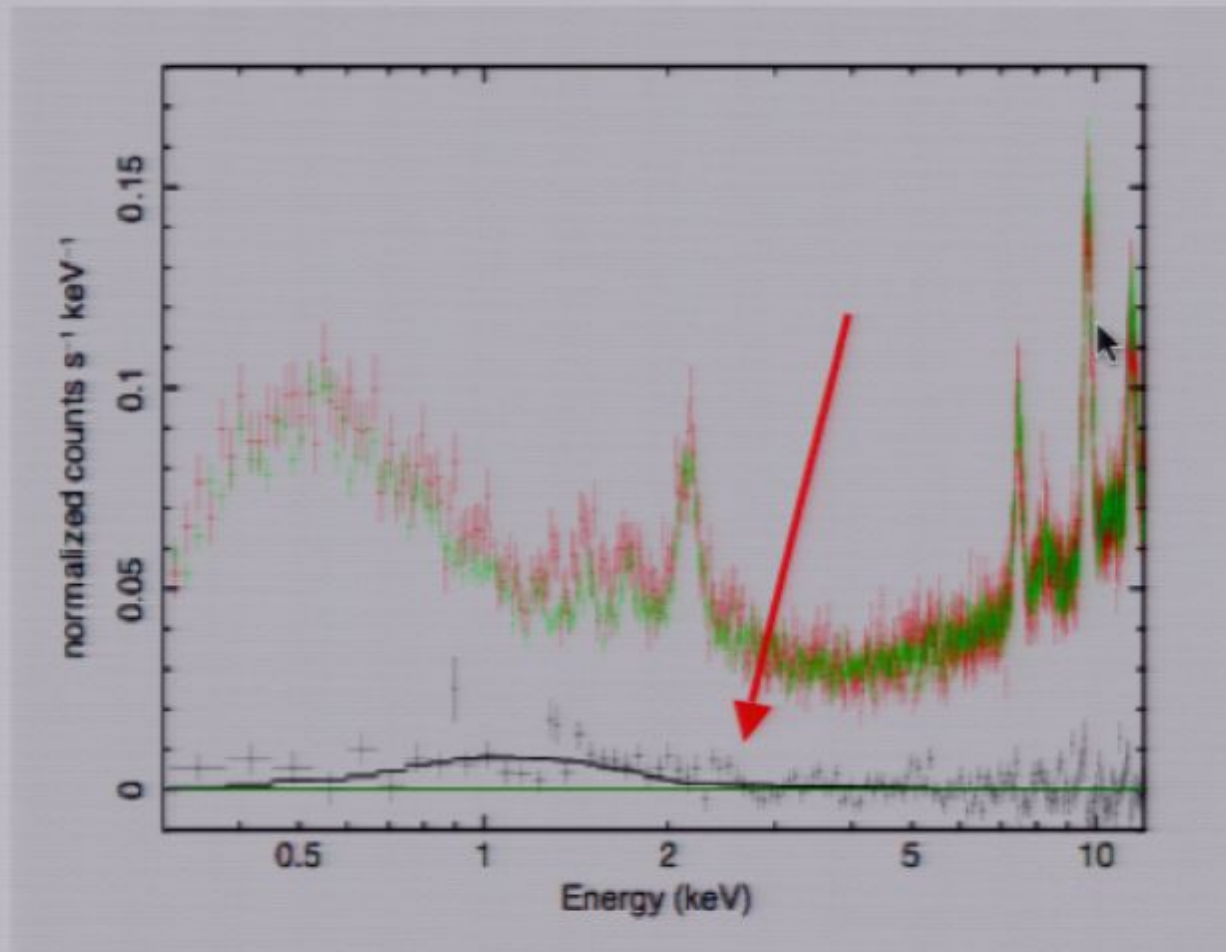




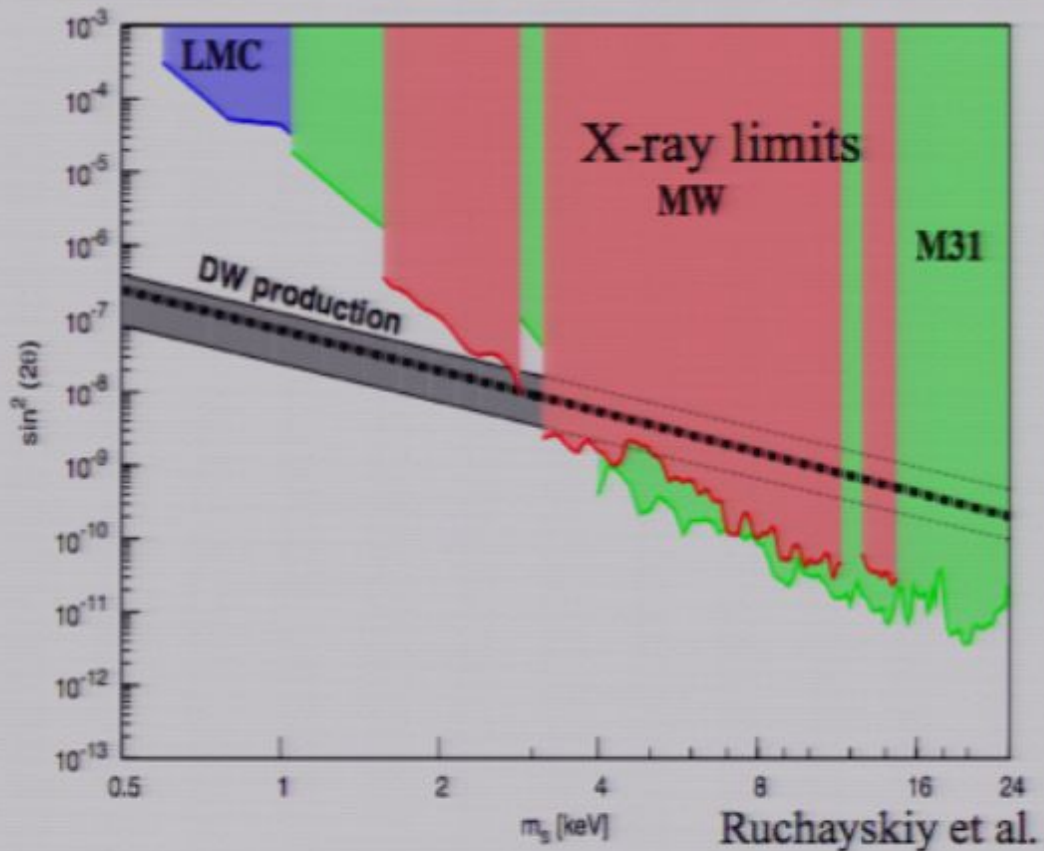
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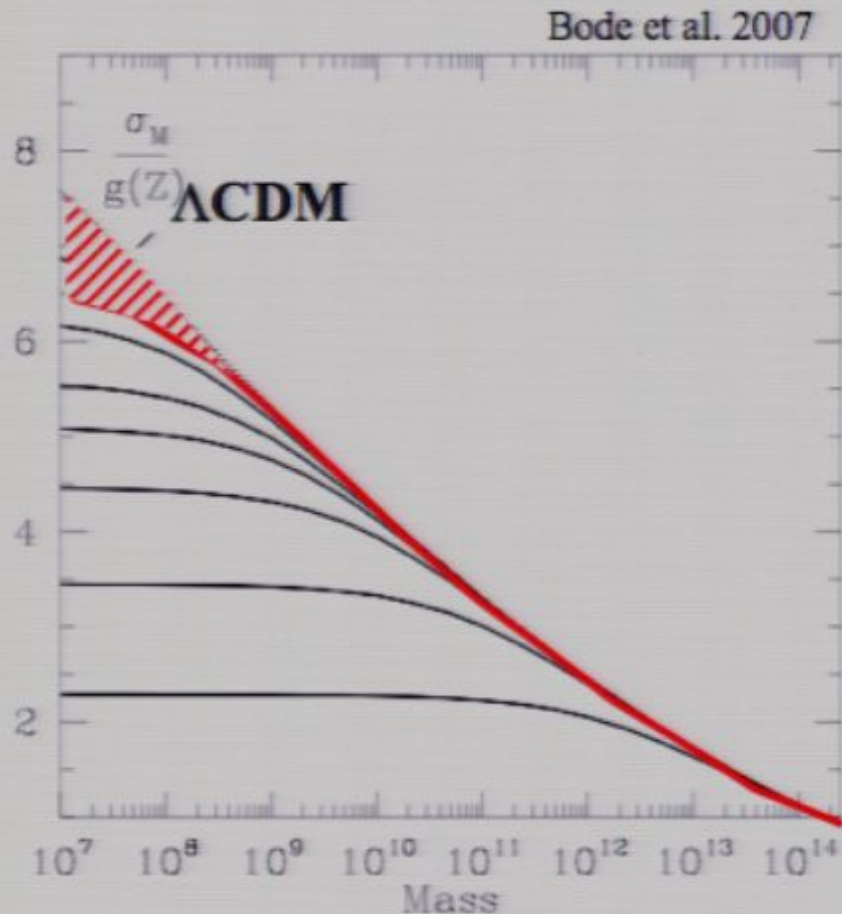


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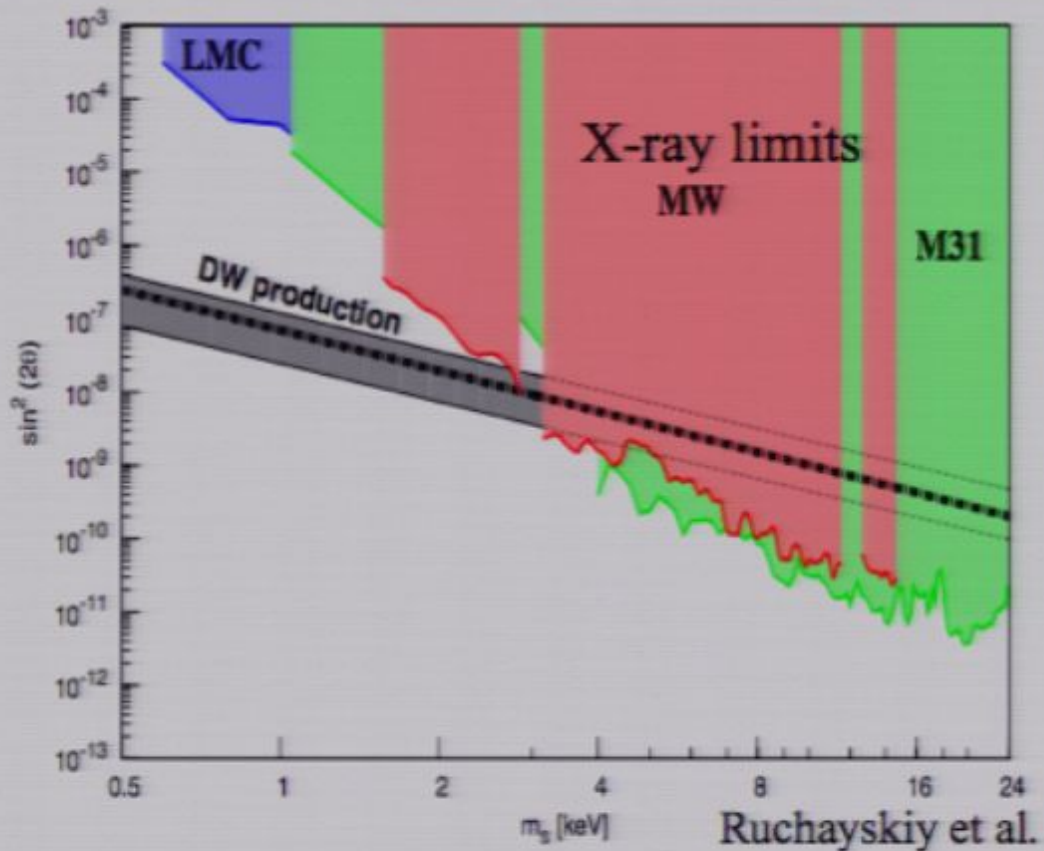
# DM is pretty cold



There is little room left for the effect of warm DM on the DM halo mass function (or DM halo profiles).

Our best bet to push this further is probably looking at neutral hydrogen before reionization with 21cm emission.

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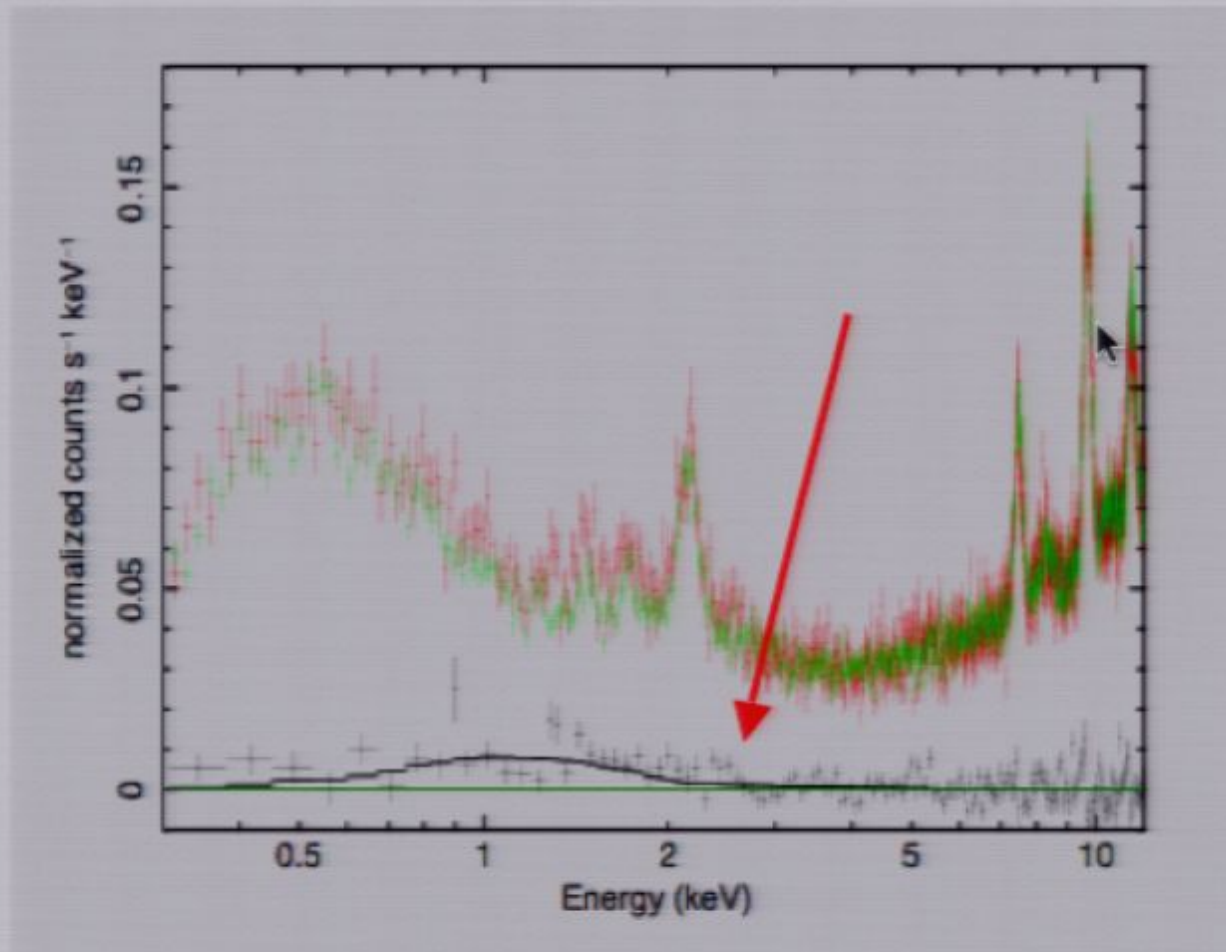
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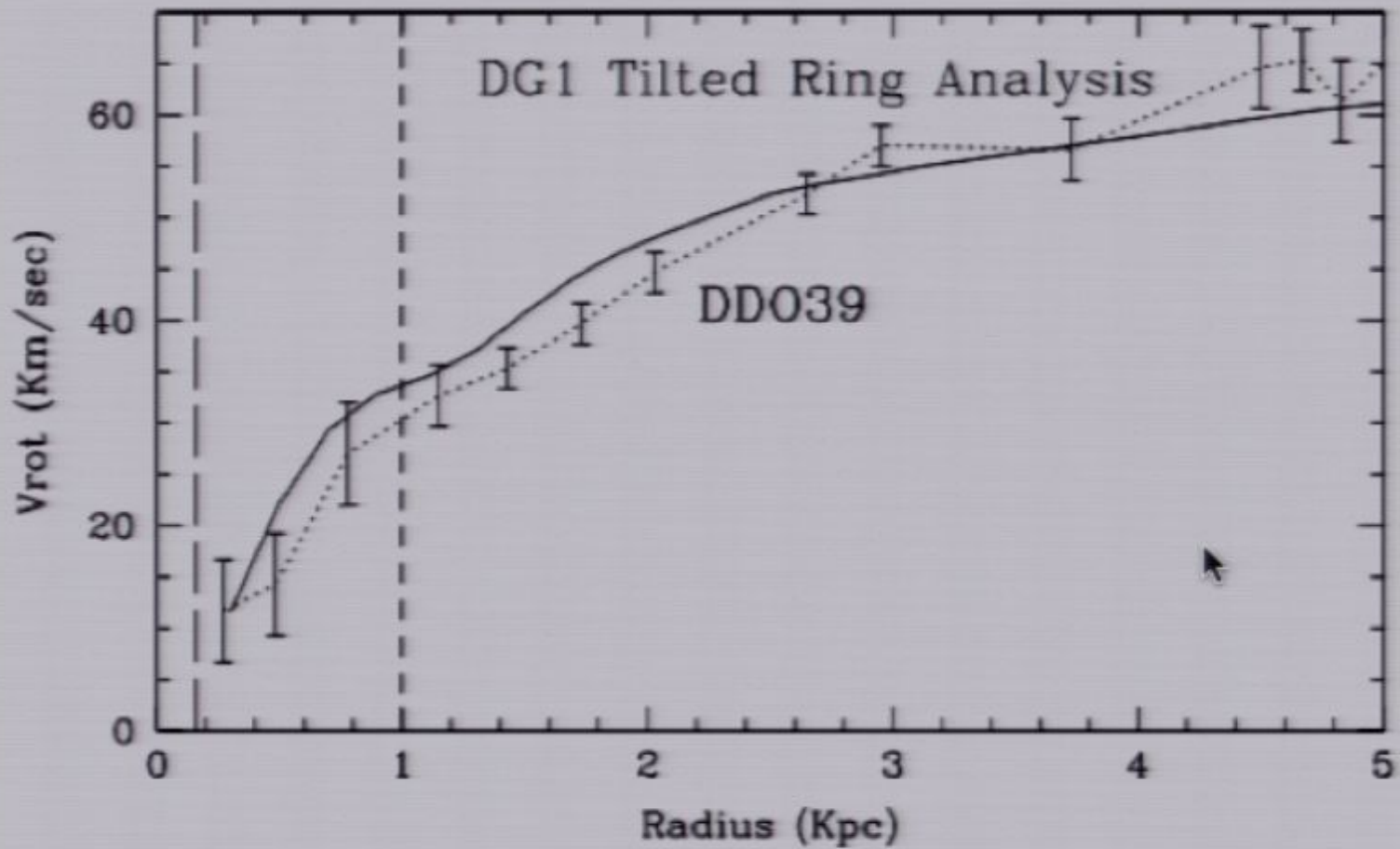
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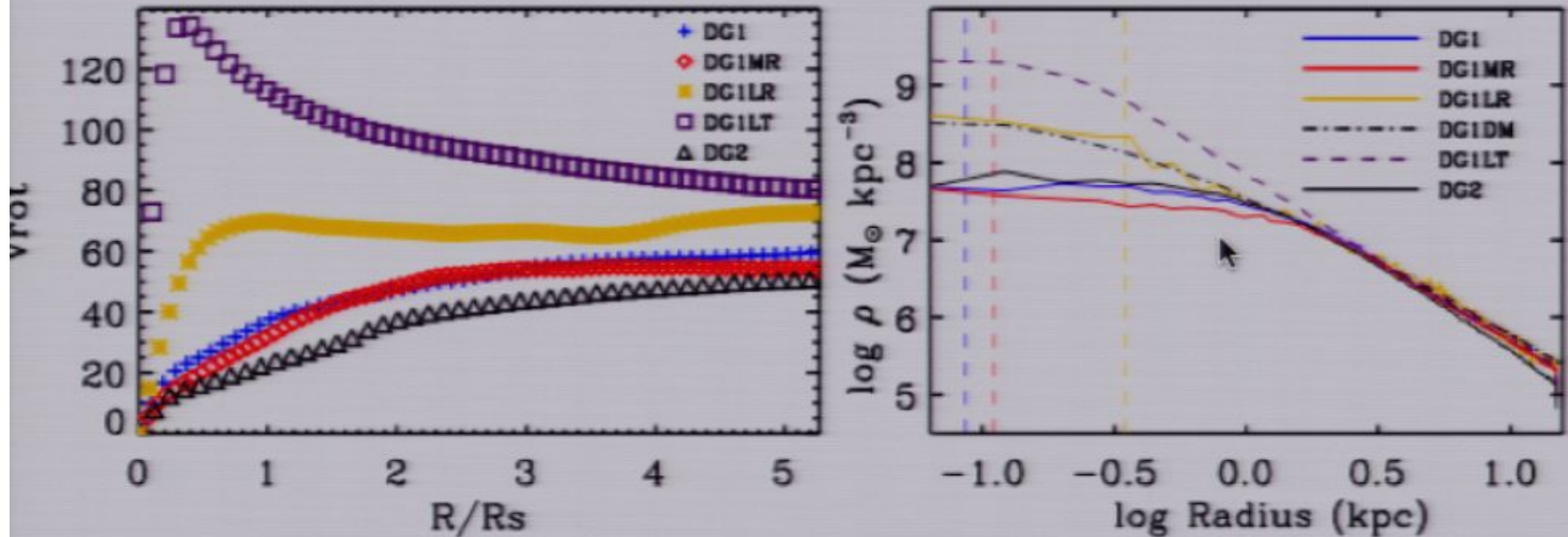


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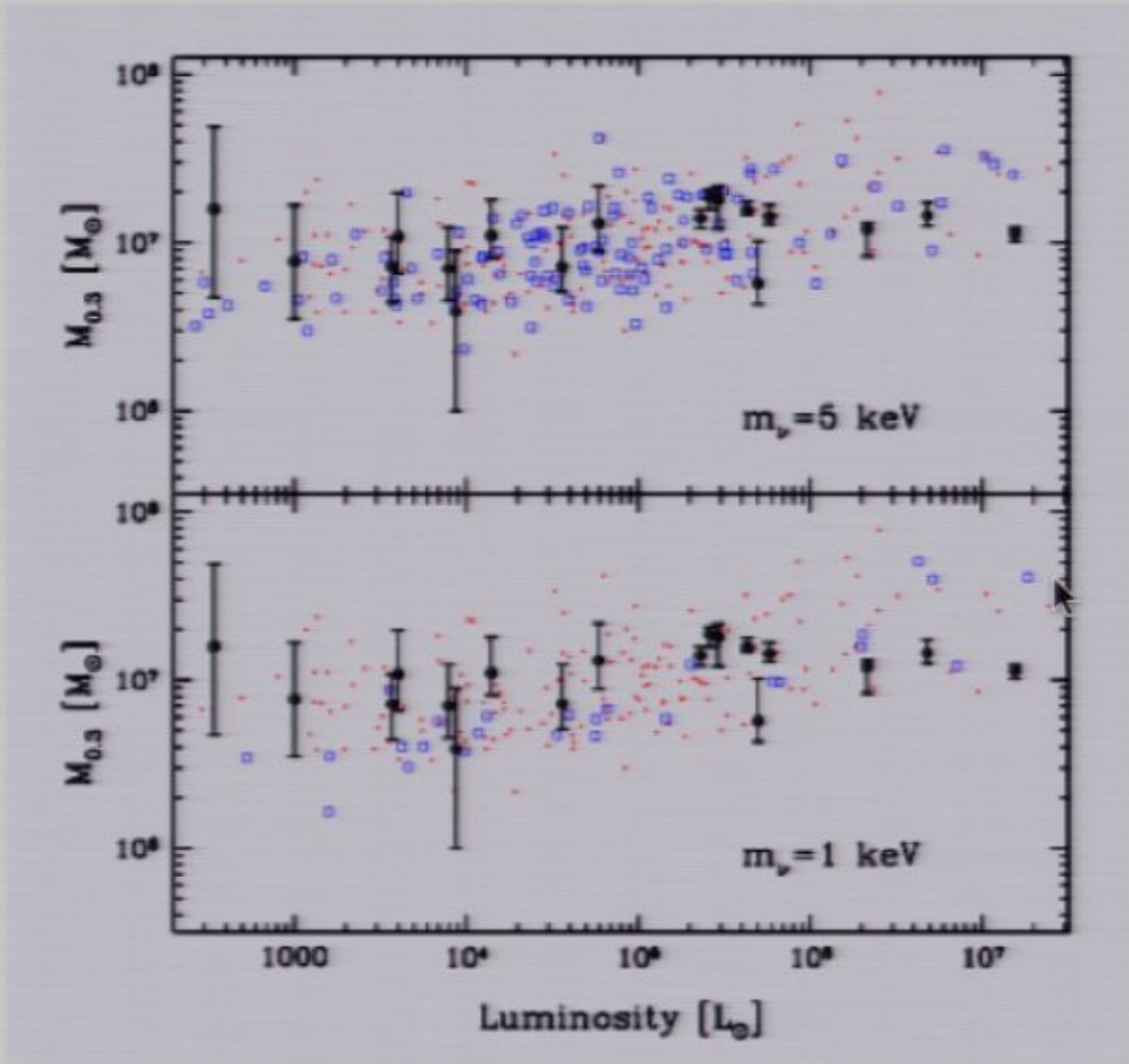


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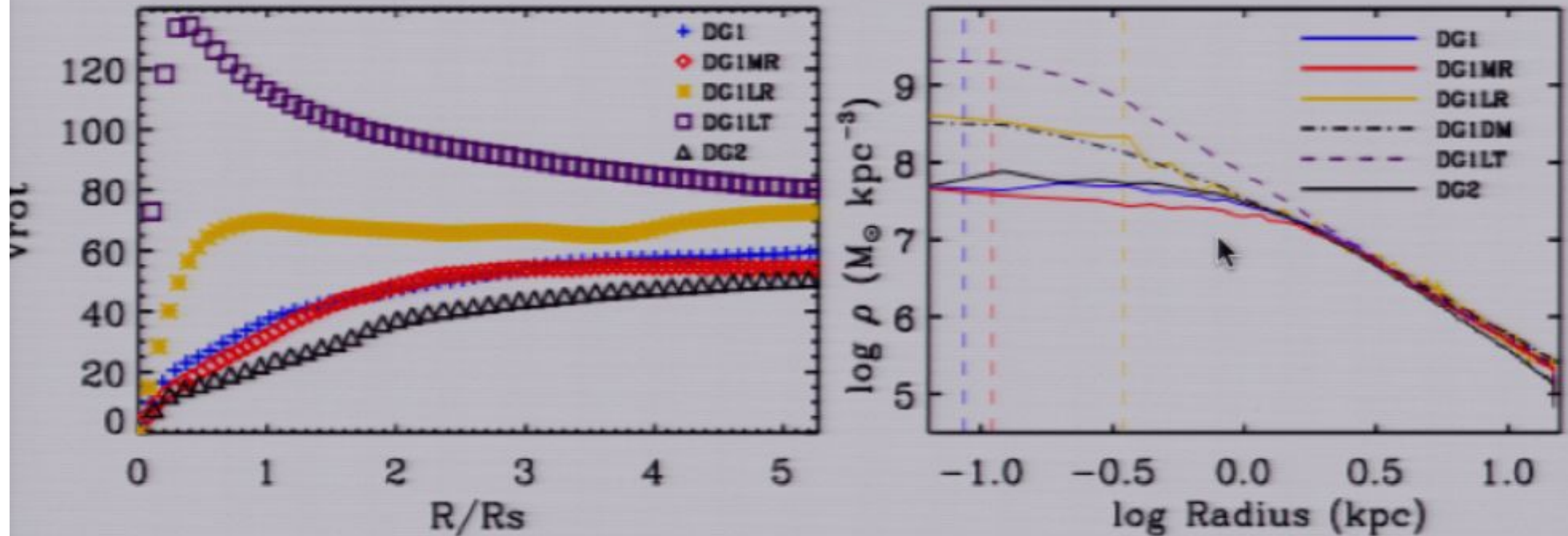


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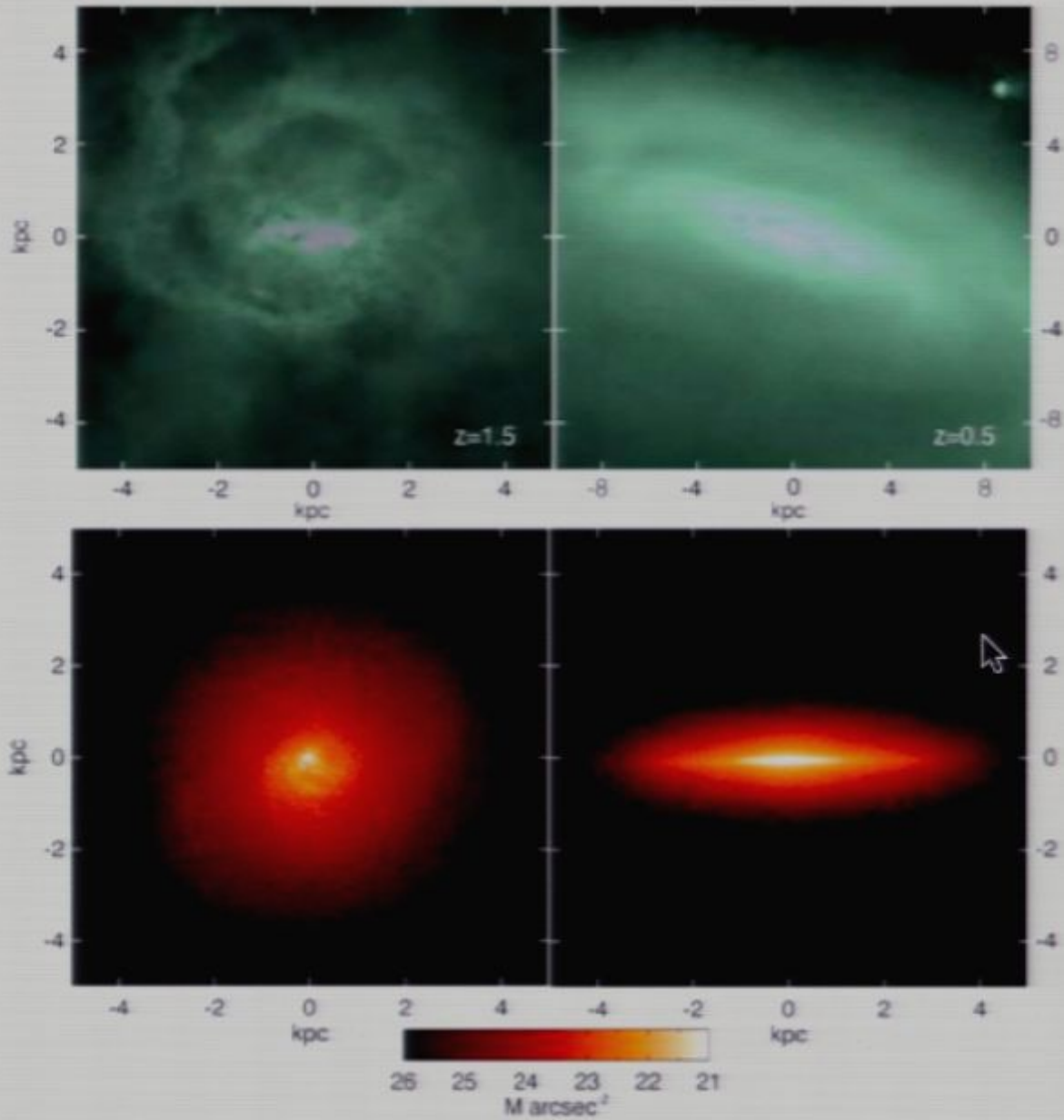


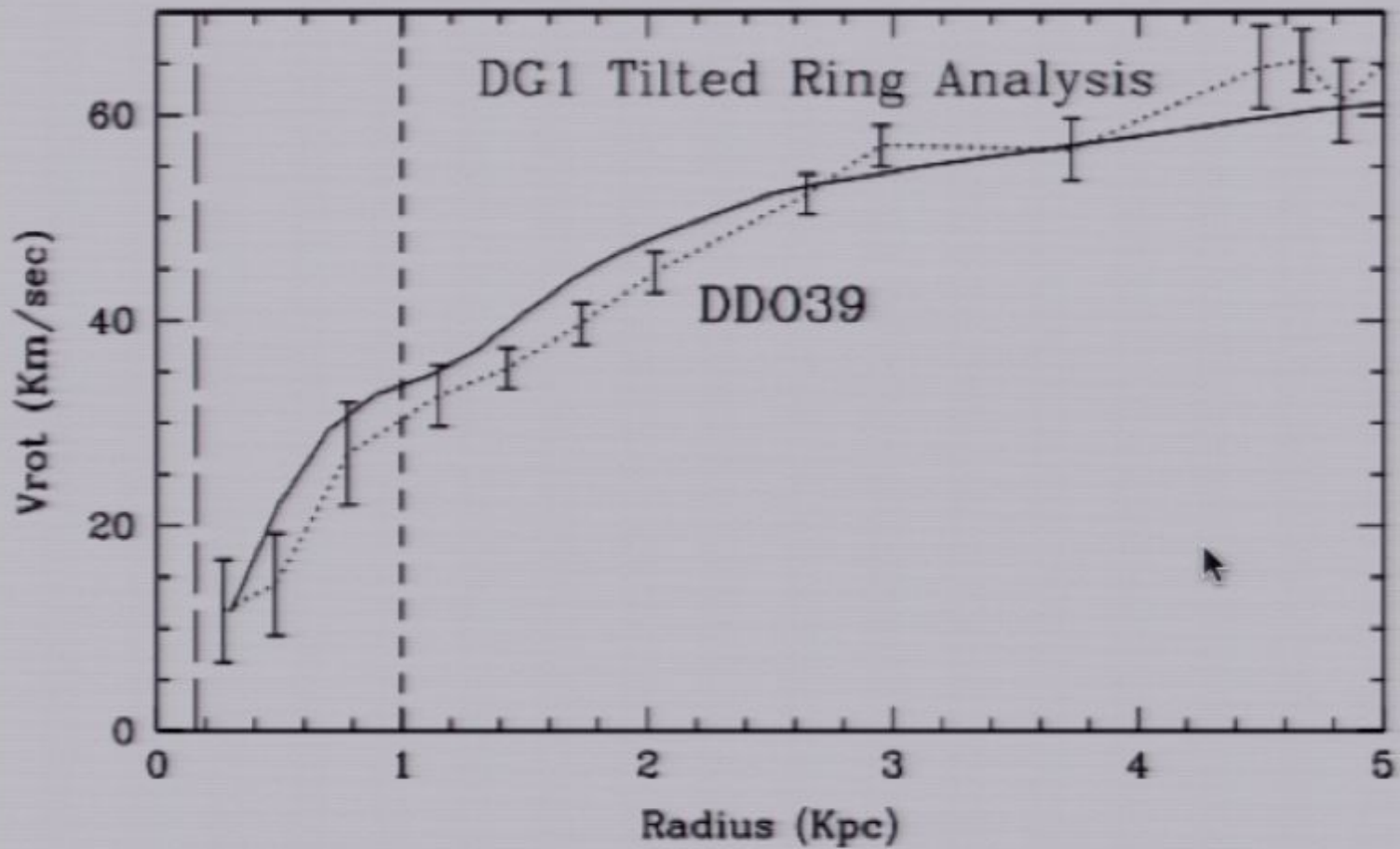
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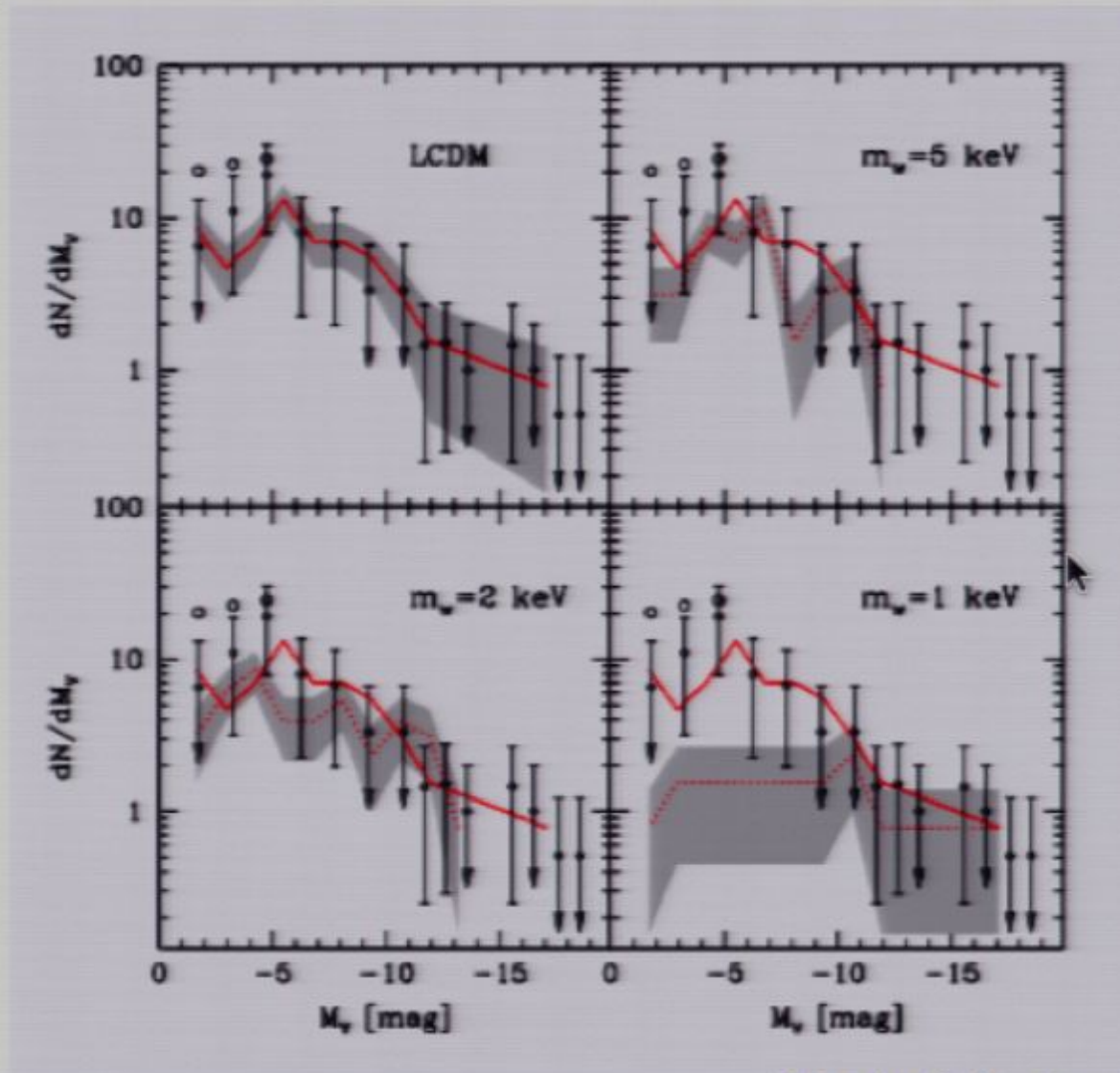


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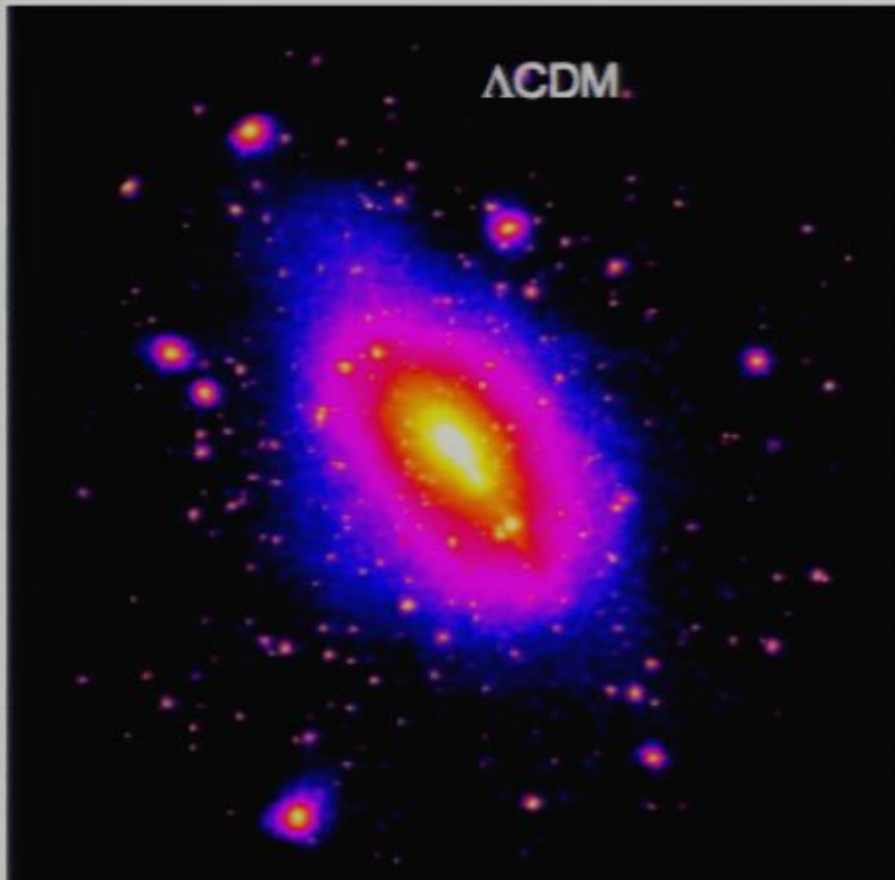


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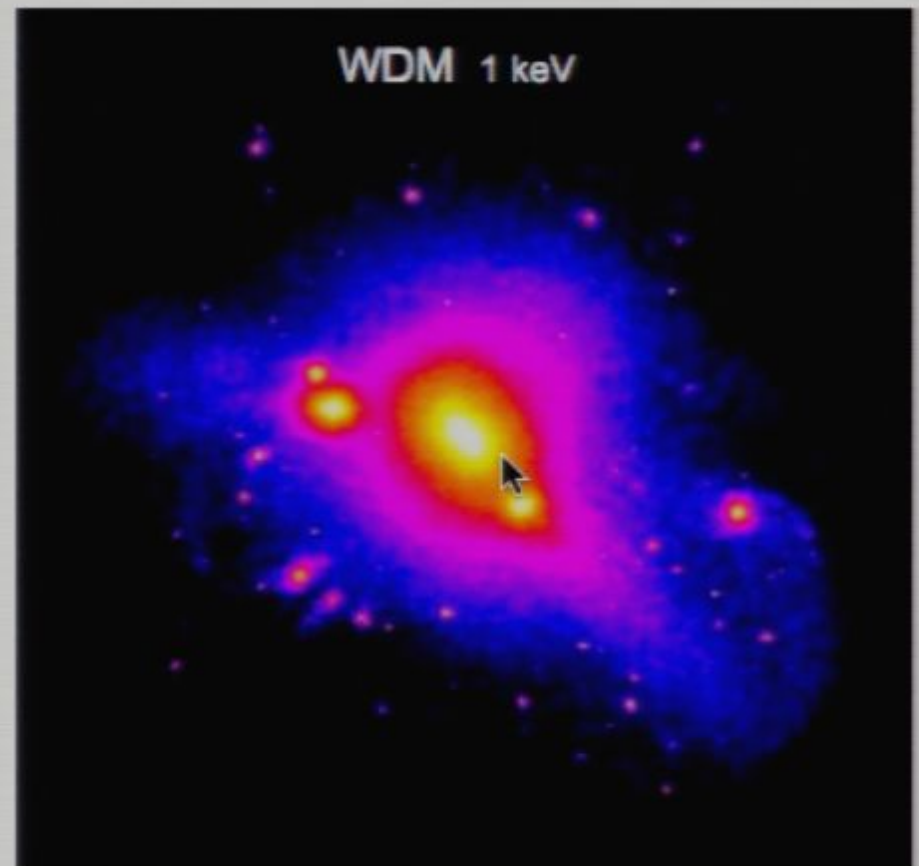


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cold dark matter



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