# CONSTRAINING DARK MATTER WITH STRONG GRAVITATIONAL LENSING

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$$P_{WDM}(k) = T^{2}P_{CDM}(k)$$

$$\frac{n_{WDM}}{n_{CDM}} = (1 + \gamma M_{hm}M^{-1})^{\beta}$$

$$\int_{10^{-1}}^{10^{-2}} \int_{0.10^{-1}}^{0^{-1}} \int_{0.10^{-$$

(2/L)





the dark matter model shapes the formation of structures in the universe

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DM particles interact with each other and scatter

small object and the shape of density peaks are affected

Warm Dark Matter:

- thermal relics
- sterile neutrinos
- m~ keV

(Garrison-Kimmel et al 2014) "too big to fail" and "missing satellites" problems

small-scale perturbations are destroyed

lighter and with higher

velocities than CDM

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explain DM distribution

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# WDM & SIDM

### INTRODUCTION

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subhalo counts from sterile neutrino WDM
 subhalo profiles and distribution

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> impact of SIDM on the main halo propertie> different distribution of Einstein rings?

# **STRONG LENSING**

### INTRODUCTION

- the shape of the image is heavily affected by the lensing
- <u>small</u> angular separation between the source and the lens position, i.e. almost aligned
- occurs in the central regions of galaxies and galaxy clusters where the density is "critical"
- multiple images of background sources, such as bright QSO
- extended sources may be heavily distorted in gravitational arcs

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# **STRONG LENSING & DM**

#### INTRODUCTION

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#### **OBSERVATIONAL TECHNIQUE**

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# **GRAVITATIONAL IMAGING**

**OBSERVA** 

#### (Vegetti et al. 2012)

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**DENSITY CORRECTION** 

### SIRUNG LENSING AS A DARK MATTER PROBE

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## **COSMOLOGICAL BOXES**

#### ILLUSTRIS

#### (Vogelsberger et al 2014)

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(Genel et al. 2014, Sijacki et al. 2015, Pillepich et al. 2014, Nelson et al. 2015, Zhu et al. 2016, etc) very similar, but with different baryonic physics

#### SIMULATIONS

#### EAGLE

#### (Schaye et al 2015)

![](_page_17_Picture_9.jpeg)

(Crain et al. 2014, Schaller et al. 2014 - 2015, Trayford et al. 2014 - 2015, Velliscig et al. 2015, etc)

# **ZOOM-IN SIMULATIONS**

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## **EXPECTED NUMBER OF PERTURBERS**

(Despali et al. 2018, Li et al. 2017) SIMULATIONS

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## **EXPECTED NUMBER OF PERTURBERS**

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#### SIMULATIONS

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## NUMBER OF DETECTABLE HALOES: OBSERVATIONS

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### **CURRENT CONSTRAINTS ON WDM**

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## **MOCK DATA FOR ACCURATE PREDICTIONS**

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#### **QUESTION 2:**

what is the best observational strategy

to achieve this goal?

**QUESTION 3**:

what lens/source properties can

influence detections?

(Despali et al. 2021)

## VARYING SIGNAL-TO-NOISE RATIO

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the number of predicted detections linearly increases with SNR

(Despali et al. 2021)

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## **VARYING ANGULAR RESOLUTION**

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## **VARYING SOURCE PROPERTIES**

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(Despali et al. 2021)

## **TESTING COLD DARK MATTER**

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### **RADIO INTERFEROMETRY**

- highest angular resolution imaging of extended gravitational arcs from a gravitational lens
- we can measure astrometric anomalies of the order of
   <u>1mas</u>
- price to pay: huge data and more complex analysis

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Powell et al 2022. in prep

## **RADIO INTERFEROMETRY**

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Powell et al 2022. in prep

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Vegetti et al. in prep

(Despali et al. 2019)

- 10 ETG-analogues selected from the Illustris simulation
- resimulated with SIDM + baryons

depending on the SIDM cross-section, DM particles scatter in high-density regions

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Vogelsberger et al. 2014

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*Mastromarino et al. in prep* -> extension to a bigger box

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## **SUMMARY**

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