# Self-Interacting Dark Matter

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#### SOLVAY WORKSHOP: THE DARK SIDE OF BLACK HOLES

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#### Dark Matter



Dark matter candidates: WIMPs, Axions, Black Holes...

### **CDM on Large Scales**

#### works very well, >O(100) kpc



#### **CDM Predictions on Small Scales**

#### • CDM on galactic scales <O(10-100) kpc



#### Aquarius Project, Springel+(2008)

### Universal Density Profile



Aquarius Project, Springel+ (2008)

 $\rho_s$  $r/r_{s}(1 + r/r_{s})^{2}$ 

the Navarro-Frenk-White (NFW) profile (1996)  $\rho_s$  and  $r_s$  are strong correlated "the concentration-mass relation"

Specify a halo with one parameter+scatter

CDM-only cosmological simulations

# Testing Ground



#### **Core vs Cusp Problem**

#### DM-dominated systems (dwarfs, LSBs)



#### The Diversity Problem



### The Diversity Problem



All galaxies have the same observed Vmax!

See also: McGaugh (PRL, 2005); Kuzio de Naray, Martinez, Bullock, Kaplinghat (ApJ, 2010)

### A Big Challenge



Reproduced from the data compiled in Oman, Navarro+(2015)

# The diversity is expected if dark matter has strong self-interactions



# Self-Interacting Dark Matter

Self-interactions thermalize the inner halo

Spergel & Steinhardt (PRL, 2000)



Review: Tulin & HBY (Physics Reports 2017)

# Modelling SIDM Halos



with Kaplinghat, Keeley, Linden (PRL 2014) with Kaplinghat, Linden (RPL 2015) with Kaplinghat, Tulin (PRL 2016) with Kamada, Kaplinghat, Pace (PRL 2017)



### Addressing the Diversity Problem

#### • DM self-interactions thermalize the inner halo



DM-dominated galaxies: Lower the central density and the circular velocity

Isothermal 
$$\rho_X \sim e^{-\Phi_{\rm tot}/\sigma_0^2} \sim e^{-\Phi_X/\sigma_0^2}$$
 distribution

# High Surface Brightness Galaxies

• DM self-interactions tie DM together with baryons



Thermalization leads to higher DM density due to the baryonic influence



$$\rho_X \sim e^{-\Phi_{\rm tot}/\sigma_0^2} \sim e^{-\Phi_{\rm B}/\sigma_0^2}$$

NO cored SIDM profile if the baryonic profile  $\sim 1/r^2$ 

with Kaplinghat, Keeley, Linden (PRL 2014)



- Intrinsic scatter in the halo concentration-mass relation
- Diverse baryon distributions
- SIDM thermalization ties DM and baryon distributions in the RIGHT way

with Kamada, Kaplinghat, Pace (PRL 2017) 30 galaxies  $\sigma/m=3 \text{ cm}^2/g$ 



#### **Tests with Controlled Simulations**



#### CDM w/Strong Feedback vs SIDM



# Hydro SIDM Simulations



With Robertson, Massey, Eke, Tulin+(MNRAS Letters, 2018)

- The SIDM distribution is sensitive to the final baryon distribution
- It is robust to formation history due to collisional thermalization

 $ho_0 e^{-\Phi_{\rm tot}/\sigma_0^2}$ 

Predicted in Kaplinghat, Keeley, Linden, Yu (PRL 2014)

#### A Much Larger Sample



See Appendix for detailed fits for all galaxies



with Ren, Kwa, Kaplinghat (2018)

The "worst" fit,  $\chi^2$ /d.o.f ~44

### But, they are also well-organized

Radial Acceleration Relation

![](_page_22_Figure_2.jpeg)

![](_page_22_Figure_3.jpeg)

$$g_{
m tot} pprox \sqrt{g_{
m bar}g_{\dagger}}$$
  
when  $g_{
m bar} < g_{\dagger}$ 

MOND, Milgrom's law (1983)

Reproduced, see McGaugh, Lelli, Schombert (PRL 2016)

135 galaxies "Uniformity"

### Uniformity in SIDM

![](_page_23_Figure_1.jpeg)

SIDM explains both the diversity and uniformity of galaxy rotation curves

### SIDM vs MOND

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

- Both SIDM and MOND fits have the disk mass-to-light ratio peaked around 0.5M  $_{\odot}/L_{\odot}$ .
- In both cases, we did NOT impose  $0.5M_{\odot}/L_{\odot}$  as a prior
- The SIDM fits are either comparable to or much better than the MOND fits. with Ren, Kwa, Kaplinghat (2018)

### Properties of the Host Halos

![](_page_25_Figure_1.jpeg)

with Ren, Kwa, Kaplinghat (2018)

 $(\rho_0, \sigma_0) \leftrightarrow (\rho_s, r_s) \leftrightarrow (V_{\max}, r_{\max})$ 

Gray: 20 band predicted in hierarchical structure formation Dutton & Maccio (2014)

 $r_{\rm max} = 27 \; {\rm kpc} (V_{\rm max}/100 \; {\rm km/s})^{1.\bar{4}}$ 

The origin of the acceleration scale:

$$a|_{r=0} = 2\pi V_{\max}^2 / (1.26r_{\max})$$
$$a|_{r=0} \approx 1.0 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}^2 \left(\frac{V_{\max}}{240 \text{ km/s}}\right)^{0.6}$$

Not a constant

g+ is the average over the sample

### SIDM from Dwarfs to Clusters

![](_page_26_Figure_1.jpeg)

### DM Models with a Light Mediator

#### Self-scattering kinematics determines SIDM mass

![](_page_27_Figure_2.jpeg)

The nightmare scenario is not hopeless!

#### SIDM is Natural

![](_page_28_Figure_1.jpeg)

Tulin & HBY (2017); data from Obloinsk+(2011)

![](_page_29_Picture_0.jpeg)

### Gravothermal Catastrophe

![](_page_30_Figure_1.jpeg)

Dissipative DM self-interactions could seed up "gravothermal catastrophe"

#### Issues

![](_page_31_Figure_1.jpeg)

With Essig, McDermott, Zhong (2018)

#### **Dissipative DM Self-Interactions**

![](_page_32_Figure_1.jpeg)

• Dissipative DM self-interactions could seed up "gravothermal catastrophe"

• The presence of the density cores constrain the interaction strength

With Essig, McDermott, Zhong (2018)

![](_page_33_Figure_0.jpeg)

- SIDM explains both the diversity and uniformity of galaxy rotation curves with only one more parameter (puzzled us for >20 years)
- Our results are robust to baryonic feedback/galaxy formation history due to collisional thermalization
- Novel signatures; "gravothermal catastrophe" (leading to the formation of black holes?)

### Dark Matter "Colliders"

#### Dwarf galaxies

![](_page_34_Figure_2.jpeg)

"B-factory" (v~30 km/s)

Observations on all scales

#### MW-size galaxies

![](_page_34_Picture_6.jpeg)

"LEP" (v~200 km/s) Self-scattering kinematics Clusters

![](_page_34_Picture_9.jpeg)

"LHC" (v~1000 km/s)

Measure particle physics parameters  $\sigma_X, m_X, m_{\phi}$ 

# Thank You!