

# Constraining the cross section of dark matter with giant radial arcs in galaxy clusters

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# Summary

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1. Motivation
2. SIDM simulations of cluster-size halos
3. Gravitational lensing by galaxy clusters
4. Radial arcs statistics
5. Conclusions and future prospects

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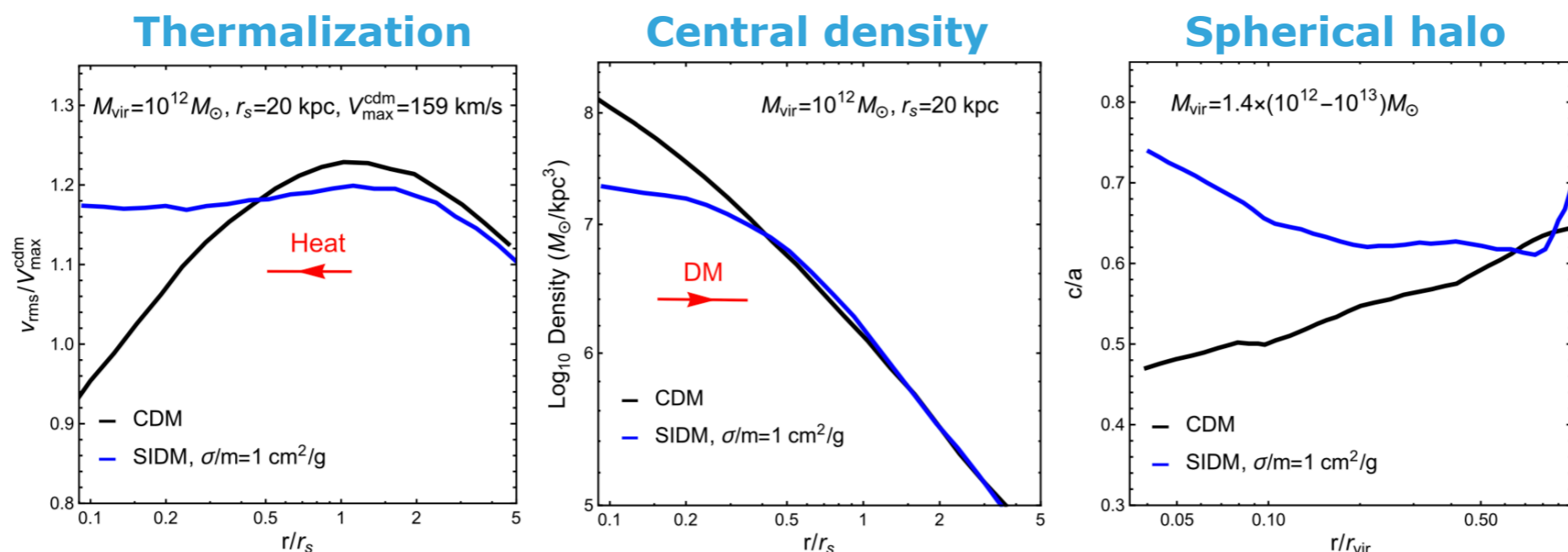
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- **Cluster scales**

- ▶ Bullet cluster:  $\sigma/m \lesssim \mathbf{0.1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}}$  (*Randall et al. 2008*)

- ▶ core clusters with  $\sigma/m \sim \mathbf{0.1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}}$  (*Yoshida et al. 2000, Rocha et al. 2013*)

- ▶ Diversity central densities with  $\sigma/m \sim \mathbf{1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}}$  (*Rocha et al. 2013*)

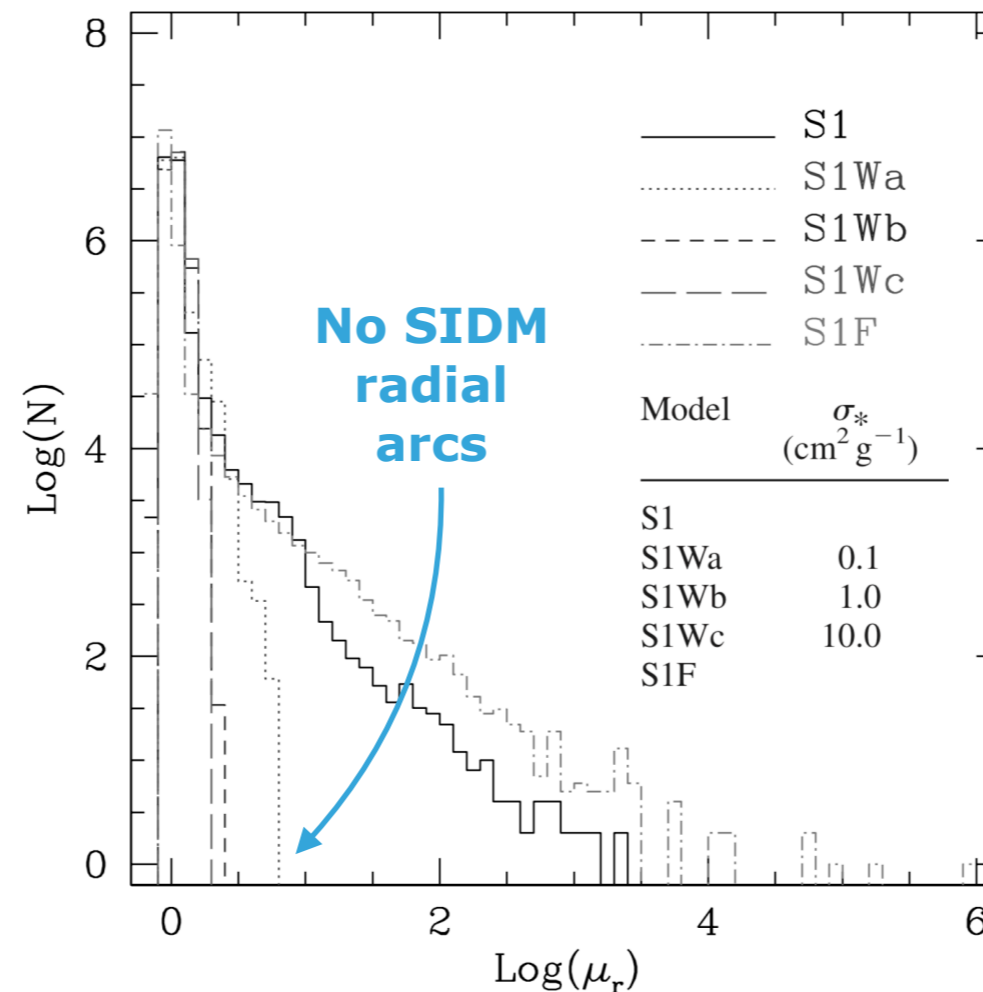
- ▶ Cluster ellipticity:  $\sigma/m \sim \mathbf{1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}}$  **not excluded** (*Peter et al. 2013*)

- ▶ **Strong lensing:  $\sigma/m < 0.1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$**  (*Meneghetti et al. 2001*)

# 1. Motivation

- *Meneghetti et al. 2001*

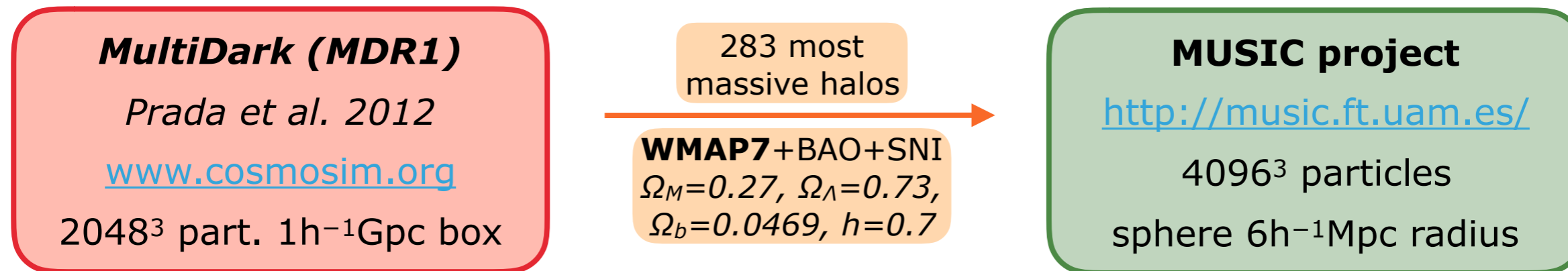
- **Extreme strong lensing arcs** in simulated SIDM cluster-size halo
- **1 halo with  $M_{\text{vir}} = 7.4 \times 10^{14} h^{-1} M_{\odot}$  at  $z = 0.278$**  (from *Yoshida et al. 2000a,b*)
- SIDM with  $\sigma/m < 0.1, 1, 10 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$ 
  - ▶ **NO Radial arcs  $\Rightarrow \sigma/m < 0.1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$**



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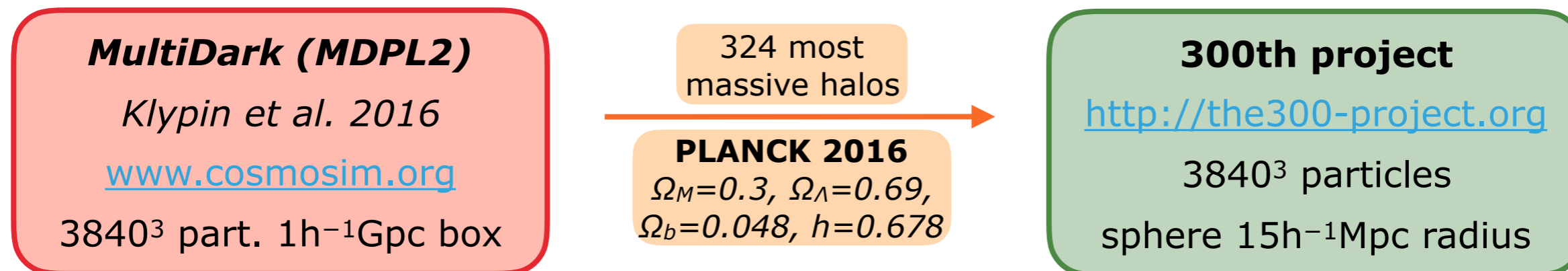
- 1 halo zoom simulations ( $M_{200c} \sim 10^{15} h^{-1} M_{\odot}$  at  $z=0$ )

Strongest lens and mayor merger at  $z \sim (0.250-0.333)$



- 5 halo zoom simulations ( $M_{200c} > 10^{15} h^{-1} M_{\odot}$  at  $z=0$ )

Strongest lenses at  $z \sim (0.250, 0.333, 0.429, 0.538)$



**Non-radiative runs (adiabatic): DM + GAS**

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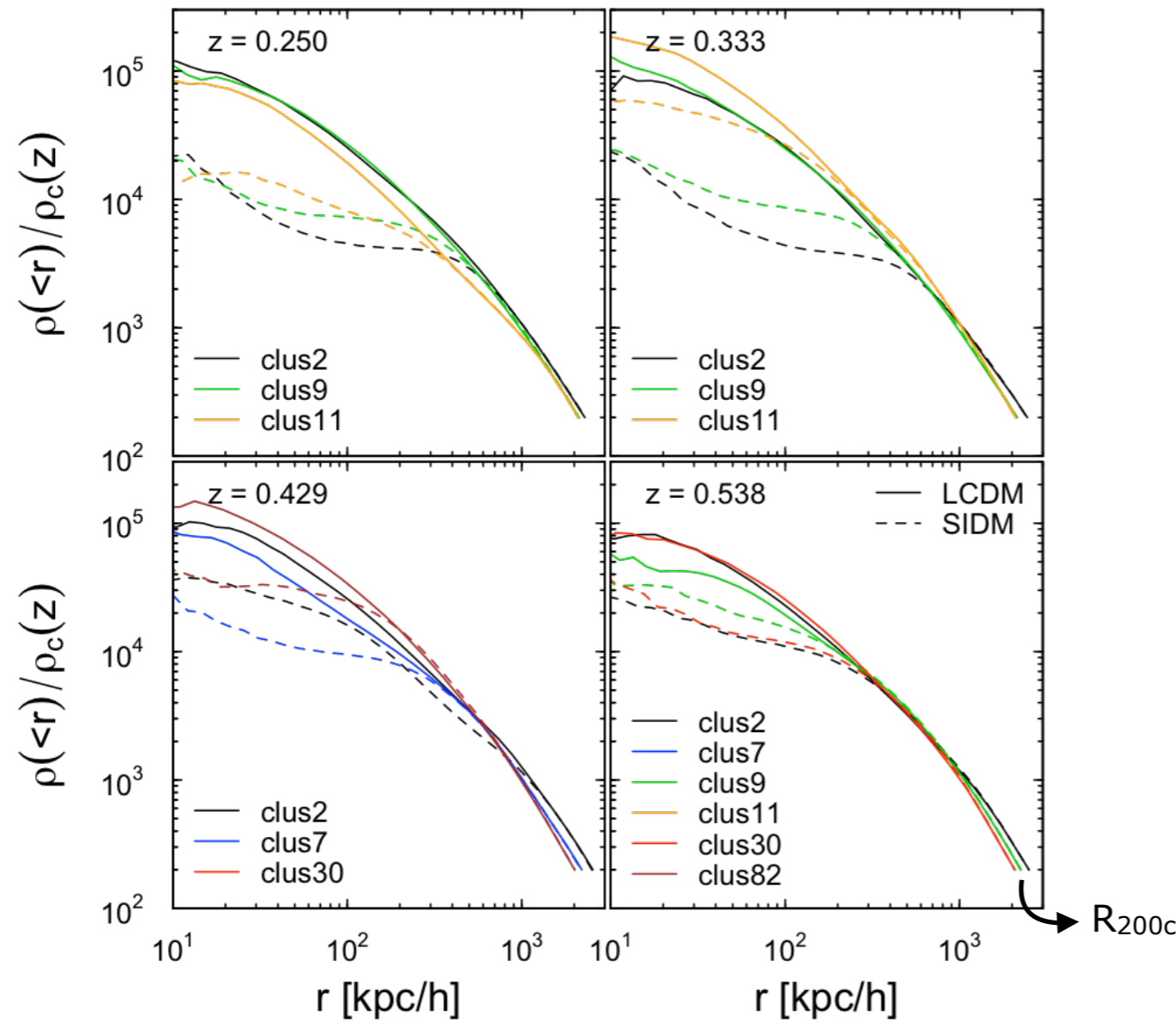
- 6 cluster-size halos with GIZMO (*Hopkins 2015, 2017*)
  - Based on P-GADGET and GADGET-2 (*Springel 2005*)
  - SPH + grid-based/AMR schemes
  - SIDM module (*Rocha et al. 2013*)
  - DM + GAS (non-radiative) particles
  - Same  $\Lambda$ CDM initial conditions
  - **SIDM cross-section** (velocity independent)

$$\sigma/m = 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$$

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cluster	model	$z$	$M_{\text{SO}}$	$M_{\text{EO}}$	$b/c$	$a/c$
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.250	1.88	2.15	0.52	0.37
clus2	SIDM	0.250	1.91	2.13	0.54	0.42
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	2.04	2.21	0.58	0.38
clus2	SIDM	0.333	2.05	2.19	0.58	0.43
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	2.10	2.18	0.64	0.44
clus2	SIDM	0.429	2.07	2.16	0.65	0.47
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	1.82	1.92	0.67	0.47
clus2	SIDM	0.538	1.80	1.92	0.66	0.48
clus7	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	1.38	1.49	0.48	0.44
clus7	SIDM	0.429	1.36	1.48	0.49	0.45
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.250	1.48	1.54	0.70	0.47
clus9	SIDM	0.250	1.49	1.54	0.75	0.53
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	1.36	1.44	0.65	0.45
clus9	SIDM	0.333	1.37	1.43	0.73	0.53
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	1.31	1.34	0.65	0.50
clus9	SIDM	0.538	1.32	1.34	0.70	0.55
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.250	1.41	1.40	0.60	0.55
clus11	SIDM	0.250	1.40	1.39	0.63	0.58
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.300	1.31	1.32	0.61	0.57
clus11	SIDM	0.300	1.31	1.32	0.68	0.64
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	1.25	1.28	0.57	0.51
clus11	SIDM	0.333	1.24	1.27	0.58	0.54
clus30	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	1.03	1.10	0.59	0.45
clus30	SIDM	0.538	1.03	1.10	0.62	0.47
clus82	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	1.03	1.07	0.74	0.46
clus82	SIDM	0.429	1.04	1.07	0.74	0.48

$M_{200c}$   
 $[10^{15} h^{-1} M_{\odot}]$

Axis ratios



# 3. Gravitational lensing by galaxy clusters

- Deflection angle, convergence, shear and magnification

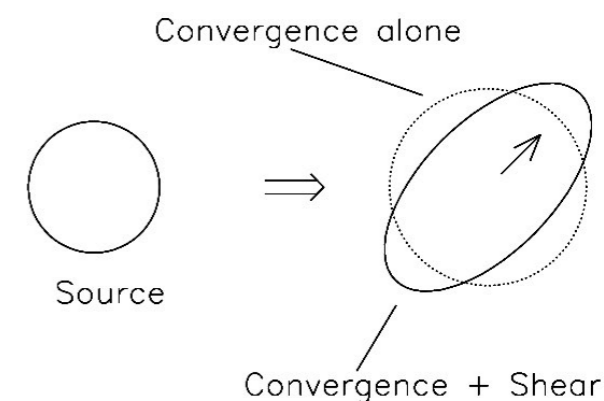
*Deflection angle*

$$\vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta}) \equiv \frac{D_{LS}}{D_S} \hat{\alpha}(\vec{\theta})$$

*Lens equation*

$$\vec{\beta} = \vec{\theta} - \vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta})$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \alpha_x}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial \alpha_y}{\partial y} \right) \\ \gamma_2 = \frac{\partial \alpha_x}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \alpha_y}{\partial x} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Shear} \\ \gamma = \sqrt{\gamma_1^2 + \gamma_2^2} \\ \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \kappa = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial \alpha_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \alpha_y}{\partial y} \right) \\ \kappa(\vec{x}) \equiv \frac{\Sigma(\vec{x})}{\Sigma_{cr}} \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{Convergence} \end{array} \right.$$

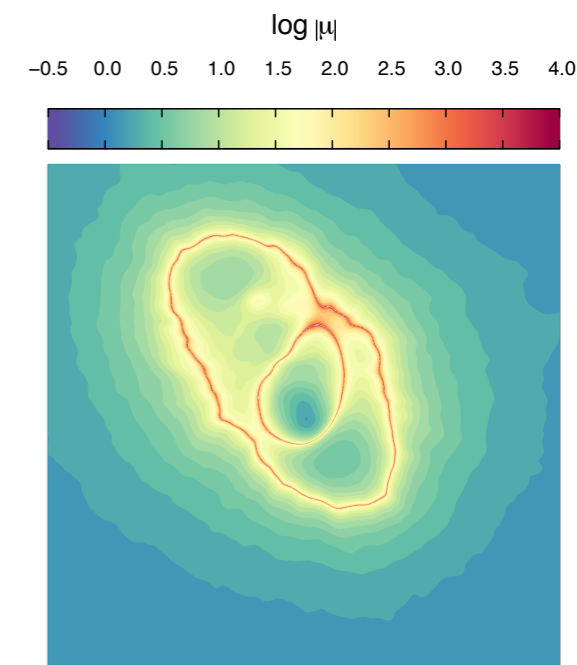


Critical density of the Universe  $\Sigma_{cr} = \frac{c^2}{4\pi G} \frac{D_S}{D_L D_{LS}}$

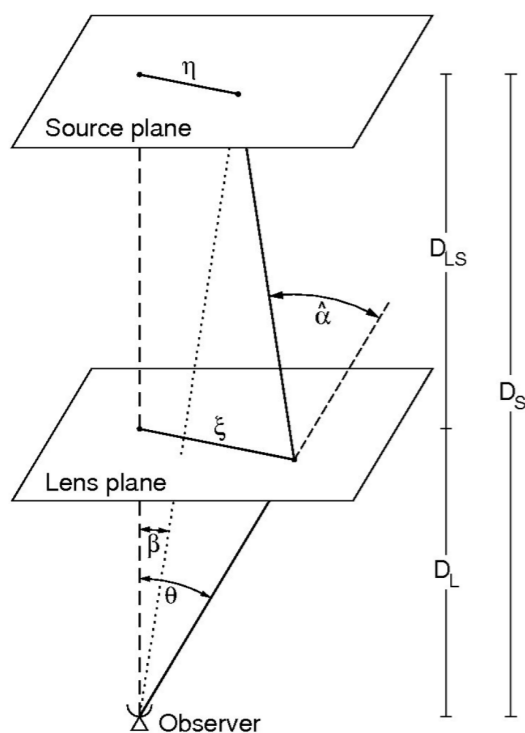
## Magnification

$$\mu = \mu_t \mu_r = \frac{1}{\underbrace{(1 - \kappa - \gamma)}_{=0} \underbrace{(1 - \kappa + \gamma)}_{=0}}$$

Tangential CC (total mass)    Radial CC (slope mass)

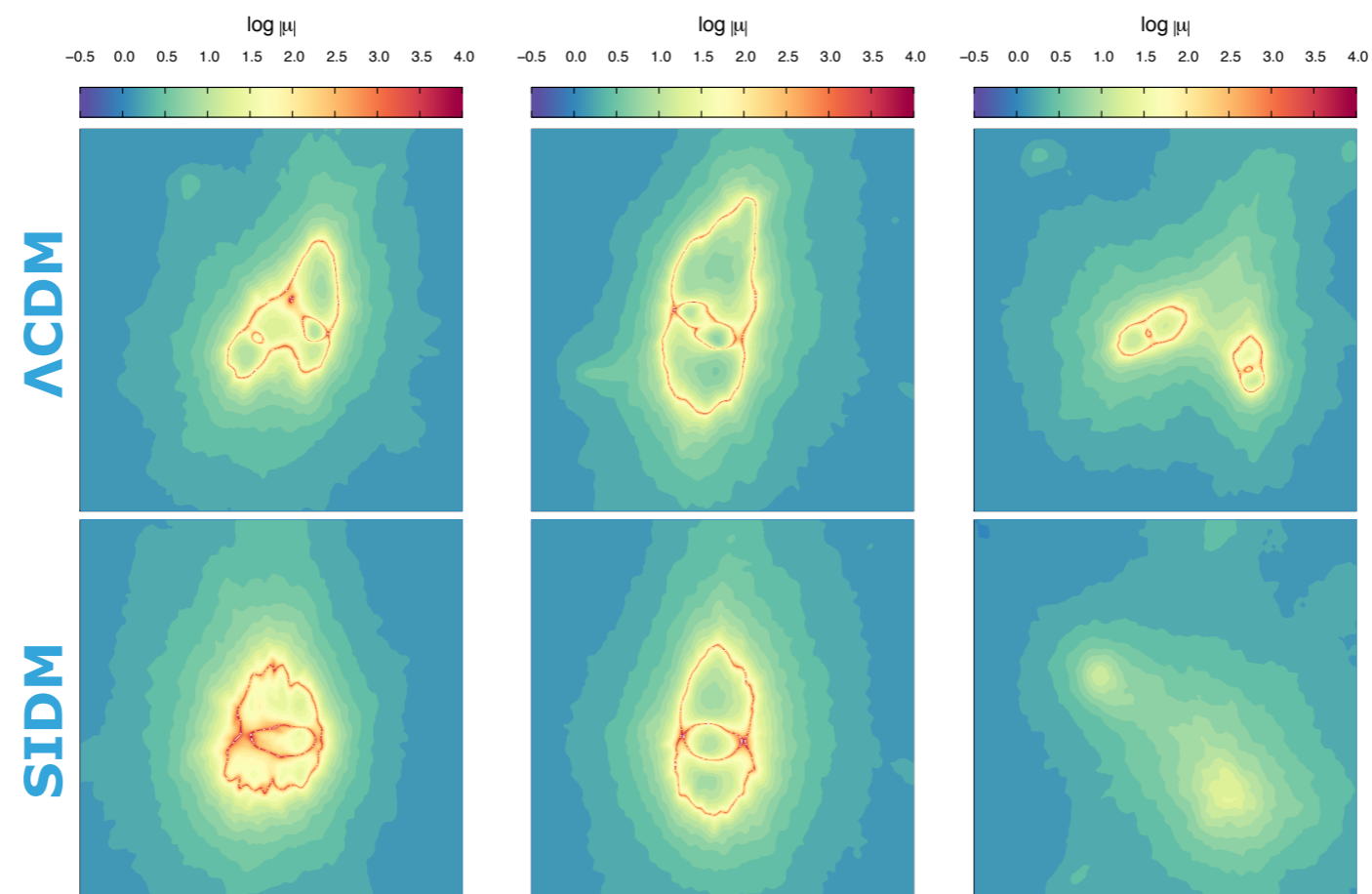


Lens plane  $z = 0.3$  ( $z_s = 2.0$ )



# 3. Gravitational lensing by galaxy clusters

- Ray-shooting (*Meneghetti et al. 2008, 2010*)
  - Project halo particles (DM+GAS) within  $4.3h^{-1}\text{Mpc}$  side box
  - Light-rays through a regular grid of  $512 \times 512$  pix ( $250'' \times 250''$ )
  - **1,000 random projections** on the lens plane
  - Select **super-critical projections** with  $\mu_r > 1,000$



Clus2  
 $z = 0.429$   
 $z_s = 2.0$

# 3. Gravitational lensing by galaxy clusters

- Super-critical projections ( $\mu_r > 1,000$ )

**Strong lensing comparison  $\Lambda$ CDM/SIDM**  
6 halos  
4 redshifts

Cluster	$z$	$\Lambda$ CDM	SIDM
clus2	0.250	✓	✗
clus9	0.250	✓	✗
clus11	0.250	✓	✗
clus11	0.300	✓	✓
clus2	0.333	✓	✗
clus9	0.333	✓	✓
clus11	0.333	✓	✓
clus2	0.429	✓	✓
clus7	0.429	✓	✓
clus82	0.429	✓	✓
clus2	0.538	✓	✓
clus9	0.538	✓	✓
clus30	0.538	✓	✓

**SIDM clusters at low redshift are not supercritical**

↑  
Cores with  $\Sigma < \Sigma_c$   
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DM self-interactions in mergers

# 3. Gravitational lensing by galaxy clusters

- Super-critical projections ( $\mu_r > 1,000$ )

- Einstein radius slightly larger in  $\Lambda$ CDM than SIDM

$$\theta_E \propto \sqrt{\Sigma(< R_E)}$$

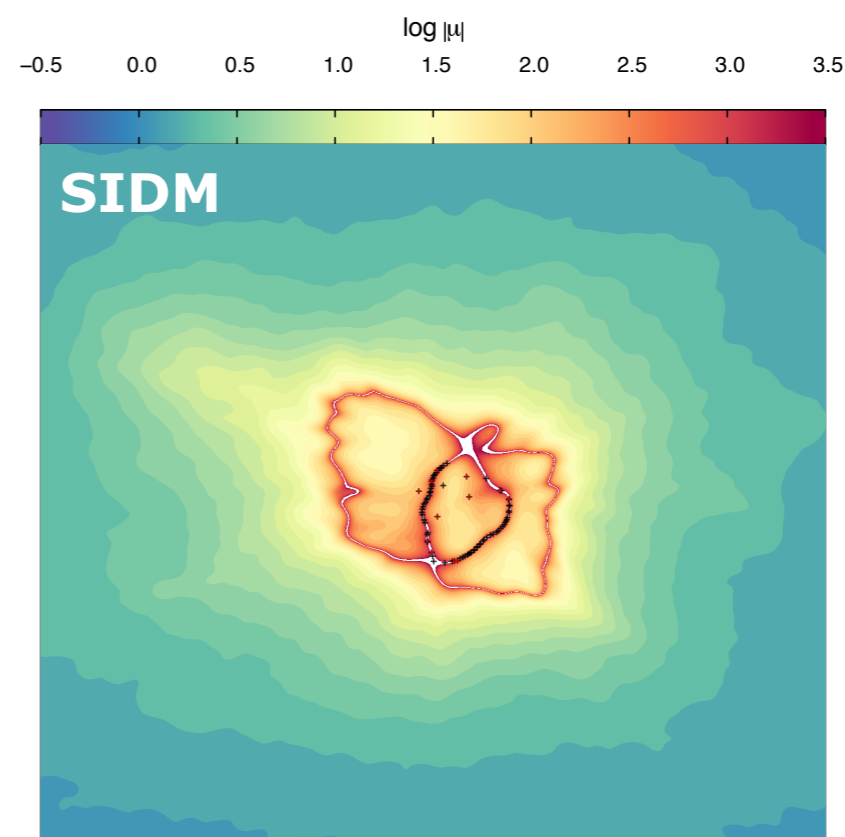
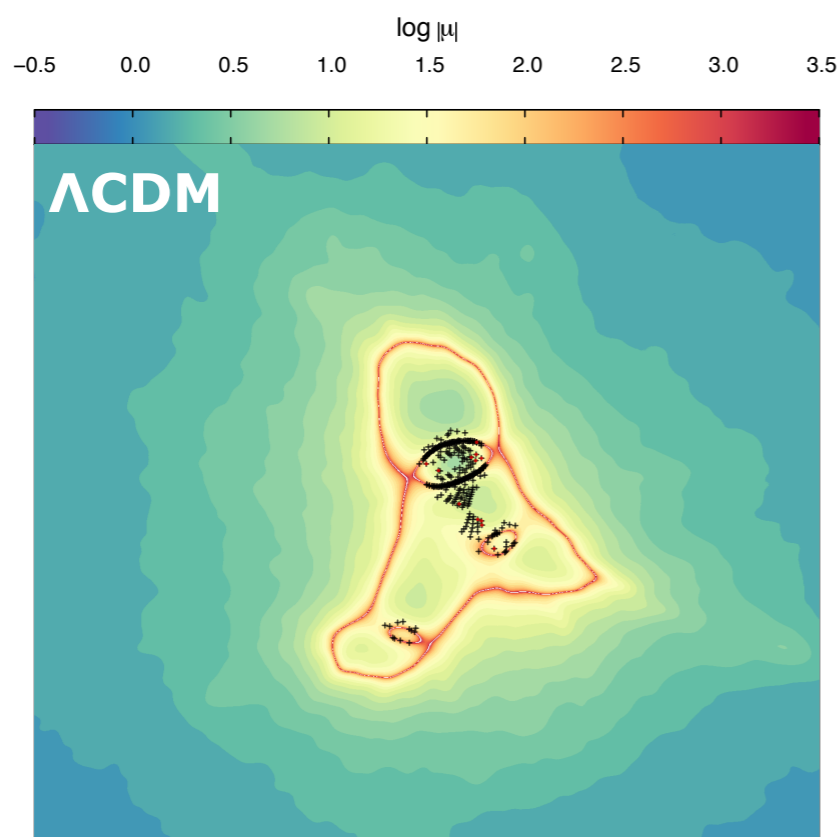
- Number of projections with tangential CC larger in  $\Lambda$ CDM than SIDM

- Number of projections with radial CC larger in  $\Lambda$ CDM than SIDM

cluster	model	z	$\theta_E(\prime\prime)$	max( $\theta_E$ )	$n_t$	$n_r$
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.300	$35.9^{+5.9}_{-12.1}$	62.6	1000	238
clus11	SIDM	0.300	$31.5^{+6.9}_{-12.4}$	58.2	1000	163
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	$35.3^{+3.6}_{-3.4}$	56.0	1000	580
clus11	SIDM	0.333	$20.4^{+13.2}_{-5.5}$	50.7	1000	194
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	$20.3^{+3.9}_{-3.2}$	41.7	966	213
clus9	SIDM	0.333	$16.8^{+1.1}_{-2.7}$	20.2	60	37
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	$21.3^{+14.5}_{-5.5}$	52.8	1000	361
clus2	SIDM	0.429	$33.2^{+2.2}_{-3.8}$	49.1	297	77
clus7	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	$19.5^{+7.9}_{-4.9}$	49.4	802	148
clus7	SIDM	0.429	$18.0^{+2.6}_{-5.5}$	41.4	335	40
clus82	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	$33.2^{+4.7}_{-5.5}$	45.0	1000	771
clus82	SIDM	0.429	$30.4^{+4.6}_{-4.7}$	43.6	1000	449
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	$18.8^{+4.6}_{-2.8}$	32.3	733	411
clus2	SIDM	0.538	$18.4^{+3.6}_{-3.4}$	29.5	160	14
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	$27.2^{+2.1}_{-4.1}$	40.5	943	497
clus9	SIDM	0.538	$23.0^{+2.1}_{-4.8}$	33.7	869	301
clus30	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	$21.1^{+3.7}_{-3.5}$	37.2	1000	272
clus30	SIDM	0.538	$17.3^{+5.6}_{-4.7}$	33.9	602	427

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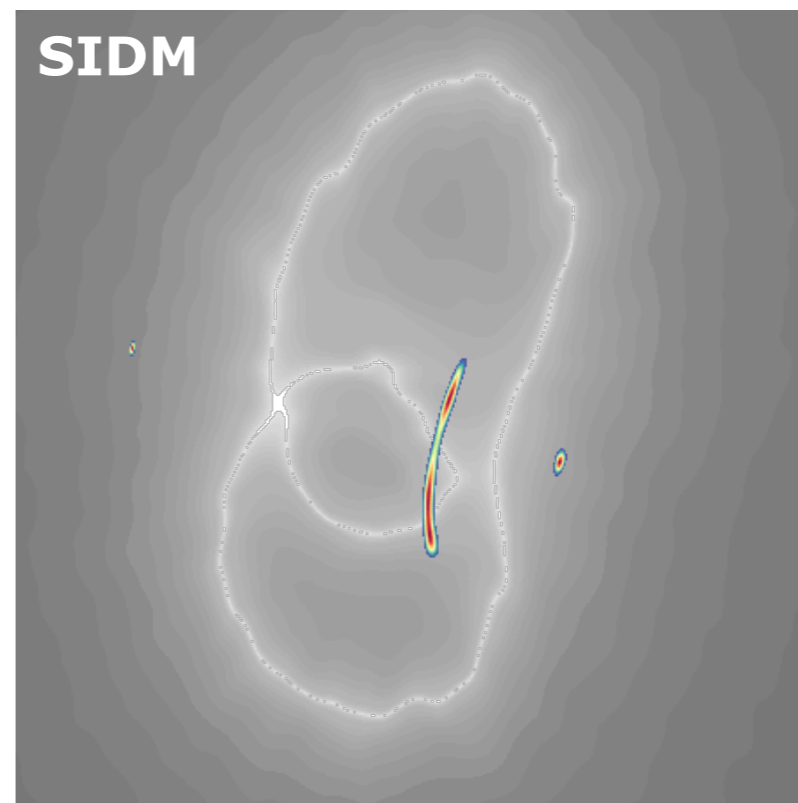
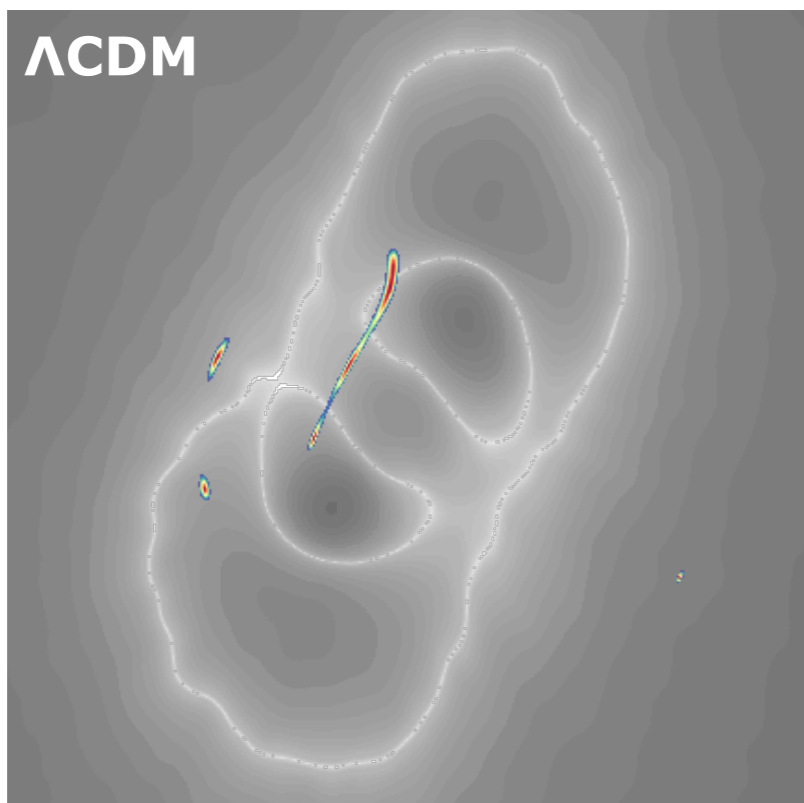
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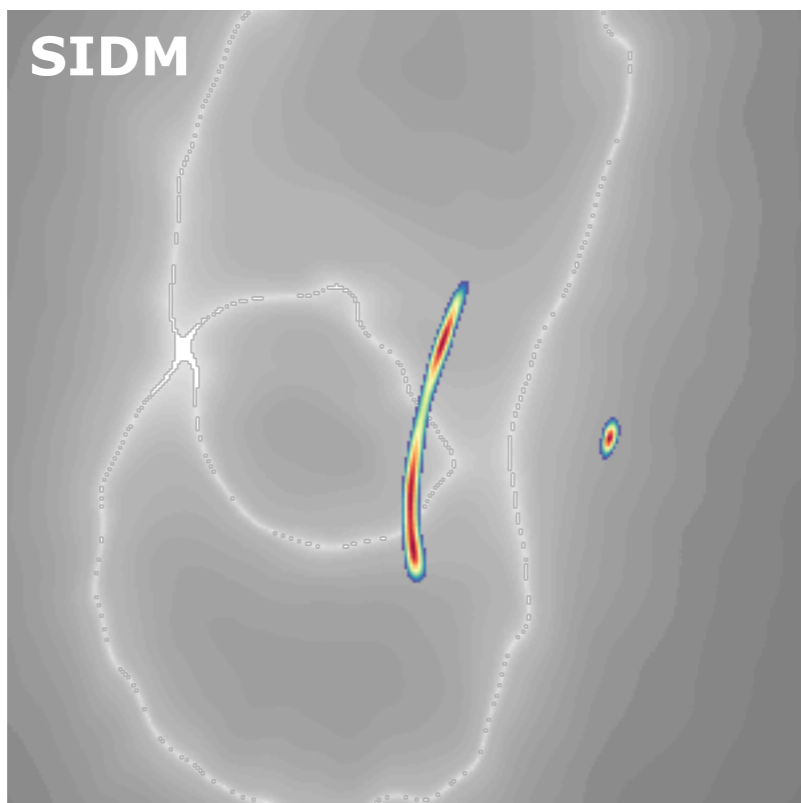
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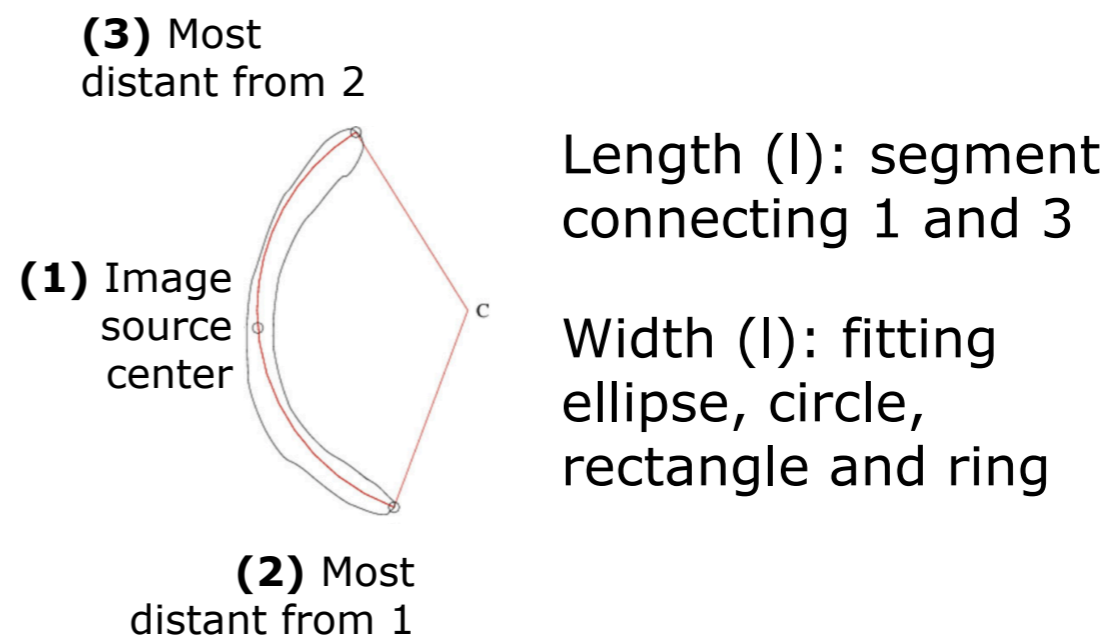


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**Length (l) and width (w) of radial arcs**  
(Miralda-Escudé 1993, Bartlemann & Weiss 1994)

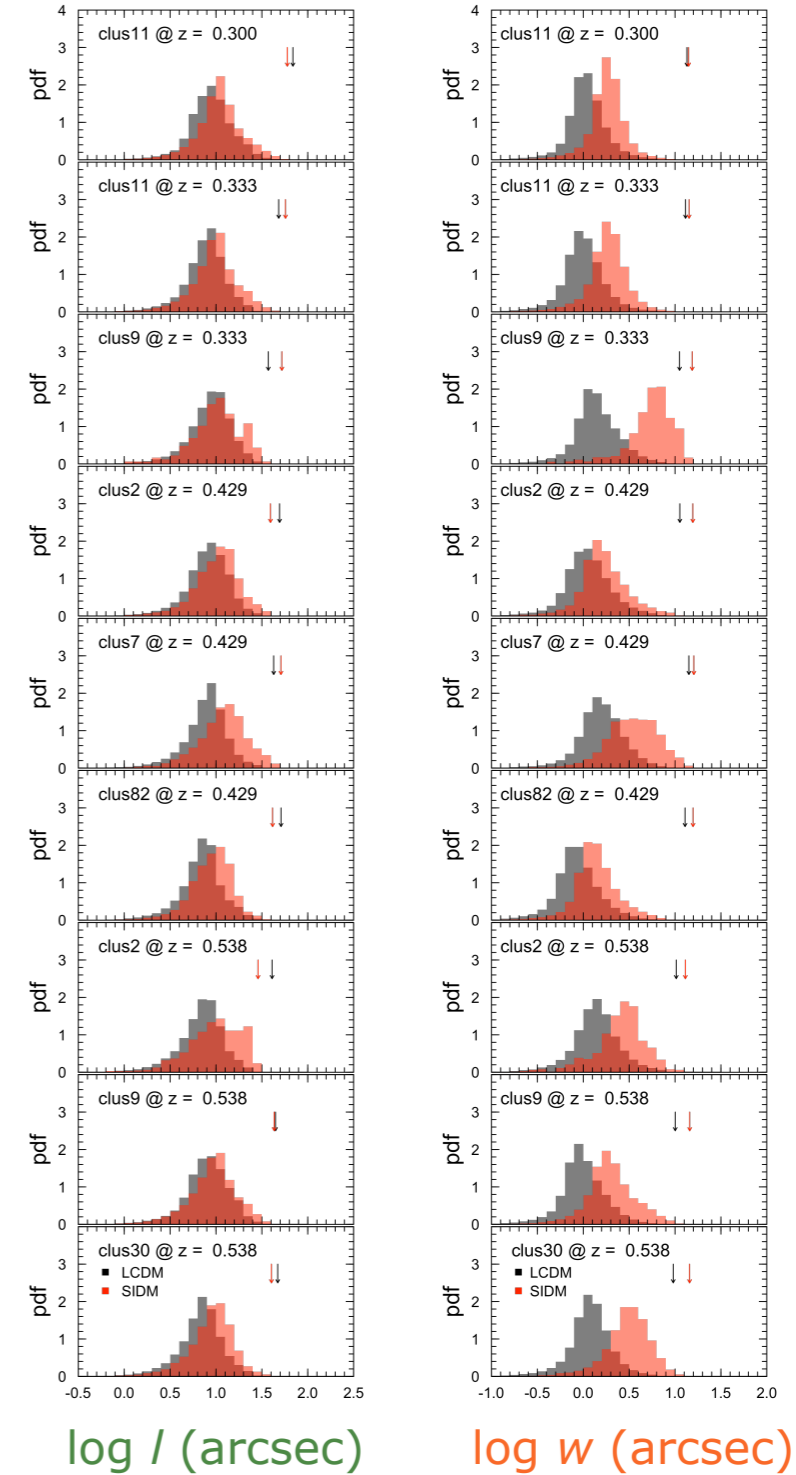




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cluster	model	z	n <sub>t</sub>	n <sub>r</sub>	Log l (")		Log w (")		Number of radial arcs
					log l (")	max(log l)	log w (")	max(log w)	
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.300	1000	238	0.94 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.84	0.03 <sup>+0.12</sup> <sub>-0.11</sub>	1.13	212219
clus11	SIDM	0.300	1000	163	1.04 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.13</sub>	1.78	0.27 <sup>+0.10</sup> <sub>-0.10</sub>	1.15	93961
clus11	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	1000	580	0.90 <sup>+0.11</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.68	-0.01 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.12</sub>	1.11	343837
clus11	SIDM	0.333	1000	194	1.00 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.76	0.27 <sup>+0.11</sup> <sub>-0.11</sub>	1.15	67274
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.333	966	213	0.96 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>	1.57	0.13 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.12</sub>	1.05	62213
clus9	SIDM	0.333	60	37	1.03 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.17</sub>	1.72	0.77 <sup>+0.12</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>	1.19	707
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	1000	361	0.92 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>	1.69	0.04 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.05	135897
clus2	SIDM	0.429	297	77	1.04 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.17</sub>	1.59	0.21 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.12</sub>	1.19	19173
clus7	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	802	148	0.91 <sup>+0.11</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.63	0.19 <sup>+0.15</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.15	37496
clus7	SIDM	0.429	335	40	1.09 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.17</sub>	1.71	0.55 <sup>+0.19</sup> <sub>-0.19</sub>	1.20	3291
clus82	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.429	1000	771	0.86 <sup>+0.11</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.71	-0.07 <sup>+0.15</sup> <sub>-0.13</sub>	1.11	437454
clus82	SIDM	0.429	1000	449	0.97 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.16</sub>	1.62	0.13 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.12</sub>	1.20	206500
clus2	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	733	411	0.86 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>	1.61	0.14 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.01	69457
clus2	SIDM	0.538	160	14	1.01 <sup>+0.19</sup> <sub>-0.21</sub>	1.46	0.44 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.17</sub>	1.11	619
clus9	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	943	497	0.91 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.15</sub>	1.65	-0.02 <sup>+0.15</sup> <sub>-0.12</sub>	1.00	166090
clus9	SIDM	0.538	869	301	0.99 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.16</sub>	1.63	0.29 <sup>+0.16</sup> <sub>-0.13</sub>	1.16	42223
clus30	$\Lambda$ CDM	0.538	1000	272	0.85 <sup>+0.12</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.67	0.08 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.12</sub>	0.98	100856
clus30	SIDM	0.538	602	427	0.98 <sup>+0.13</sup> <sub>-0.16</sub>	1.60	0.50 <sup>+0.14</sup> <sub>-0.14</sub>	1.16	19179

■  $\Lambda$ CDM    ■ SIDM



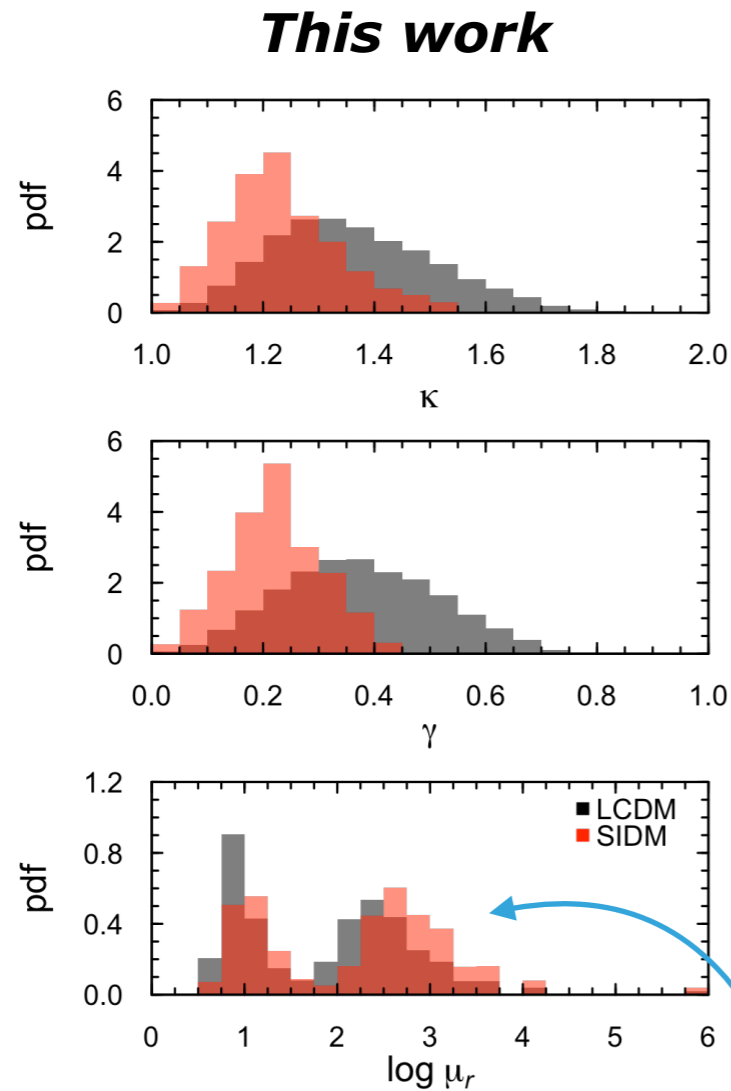
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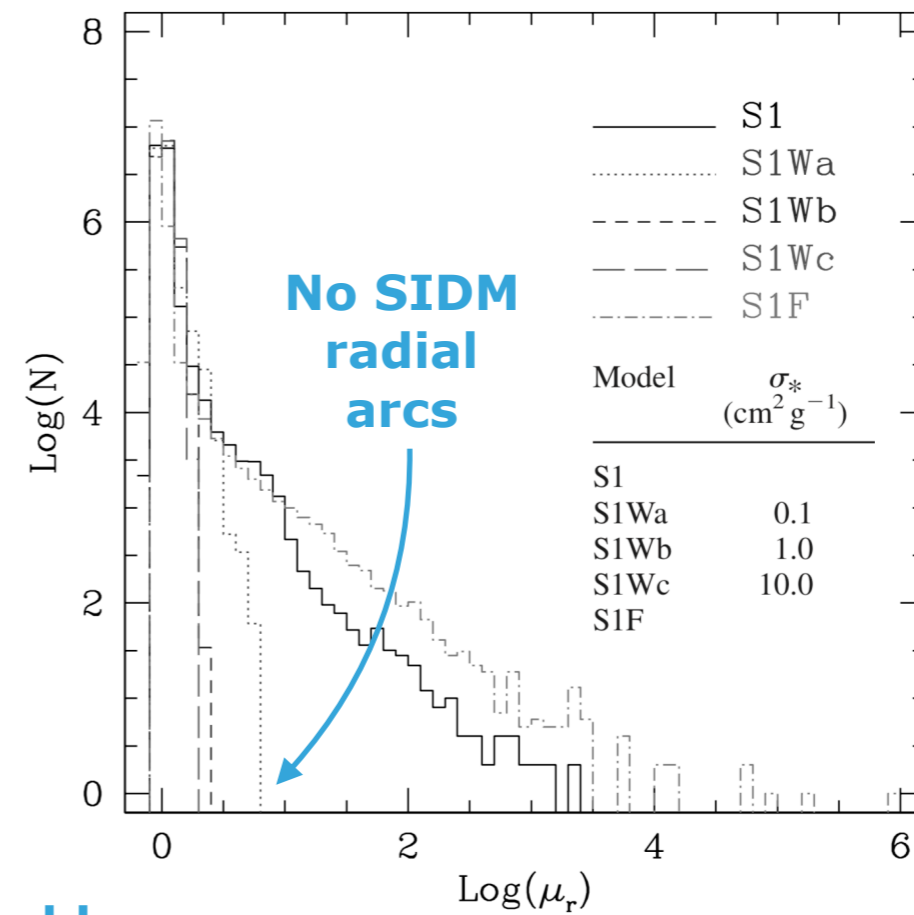
- All radial arcs found



Comparable  $\mu_r$

■ LCDM   ■ SIDM

*Meneghetti et al. 2001*



## 5. Conclusions and future prospects

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- 6 cluster-size DM halos @  $z \sim (0.250, 0.300, 0.333, 0.429, 0.538)$
- LCDM and SIDM ( $\sigma/m = 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$ ) cosmological models
- **1,000 different projections** on the lens plane
- **High-resolution** lensing maps (0.12 arcsec/pix)
- **No supercritical SIDM halo for  $z < 0.3$**
- Length of radial arcs:
  - **$mean(l_{\text{SIDM}}) \gtrsim mean(l_{\text{LCDM}})$**
  - **$max(l_{\text{SIDM}}) \sim 60'', max(l_{\text{LCDM}}) \sim 69''$**
- Width of radial arcs:  **$mean(w_{\text{SIDM}}) > mean(w_{\text{LCDM}})$**
- Radial arcs in SIDM in regions with **smaller convergence and shear**
- **Comparable radial magnifications**

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**SIDM with  $\sigma/m = 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$  cannot be ruled out based on strong lensing by galaxy clusters**

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To do list:

- **Lensing probability in  $\Lambda\text{CDM/SIDM}$**  (both tangential and radial)
- Increase number of halos (variation in density profiles)
- Velocity-dependence of DM interactions in GIZMO
- **Baryonic effects in SIDM** simulations (*Brinckmann et al. 2018*)

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**Thank you!**

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