

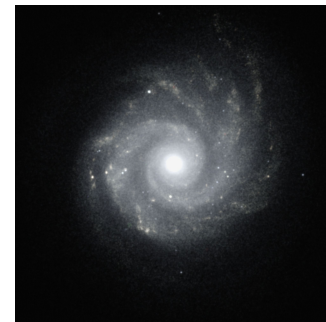
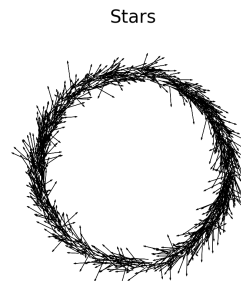


# Dark matter capture by the Sun: revisiting velocity distribution uncertainties

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# DM capture by the Sun



The number of captured WIMPs evolved as

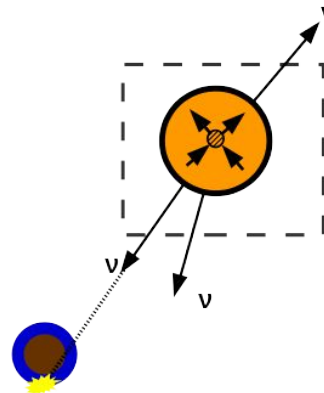
$$\frac{dN_\chi}{dt} = C - 2\Gamma_A = C - C_A N_\chi^2$$

Once you solve it, it can be proved that

$$\Gamma_A = \frac{1}{2}C \tanh^2(t/\tau)$$

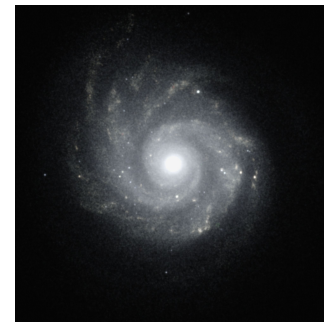
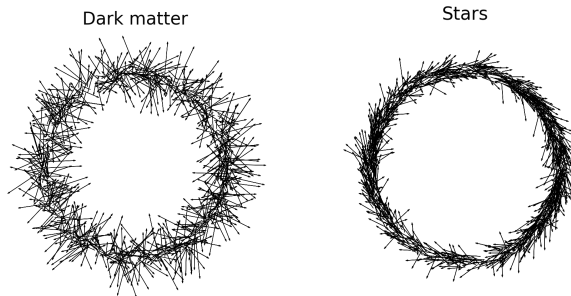
(A. Gould 1987)

(Jungman, Kamionkowski 1996)



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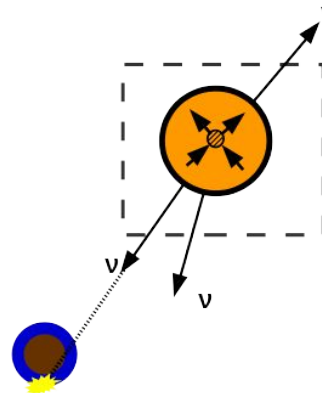
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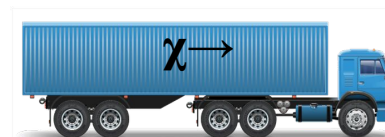
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Astrophysics and Particle Physics come together

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(A. Gould 1987)  
(Garani & Palomares-Ruiz 2017)



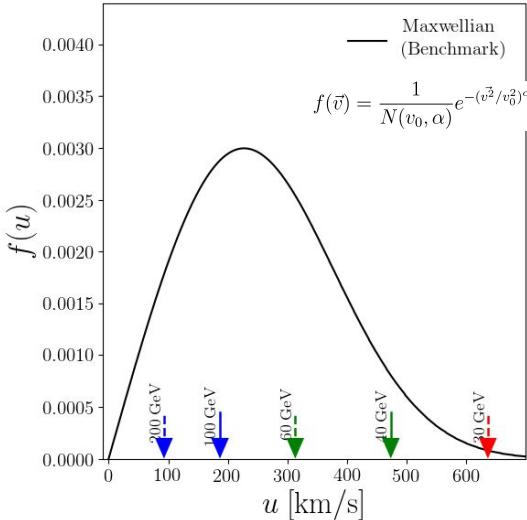
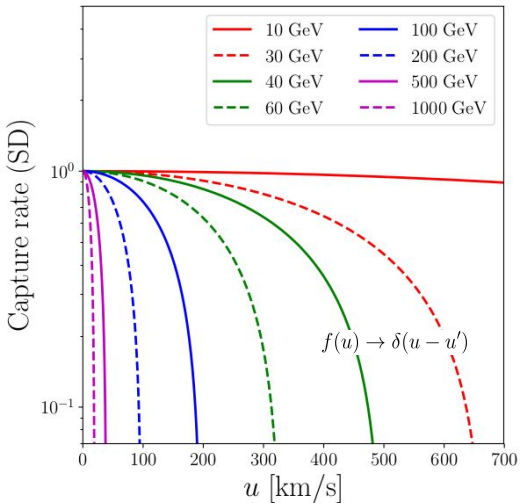
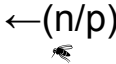
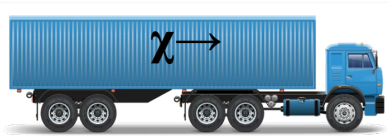
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Capture in Sun: Low velocity part  
 Direct Detection: High velocity tail



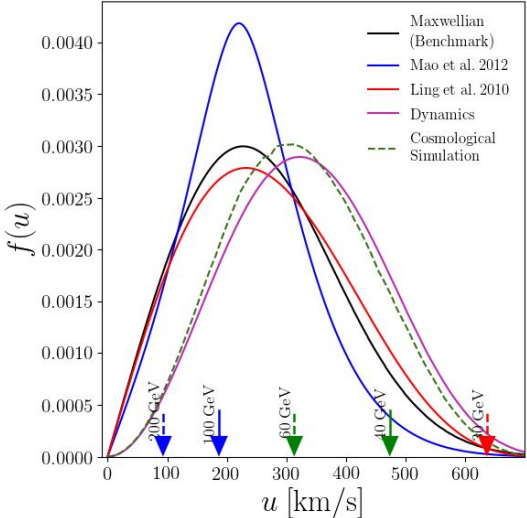
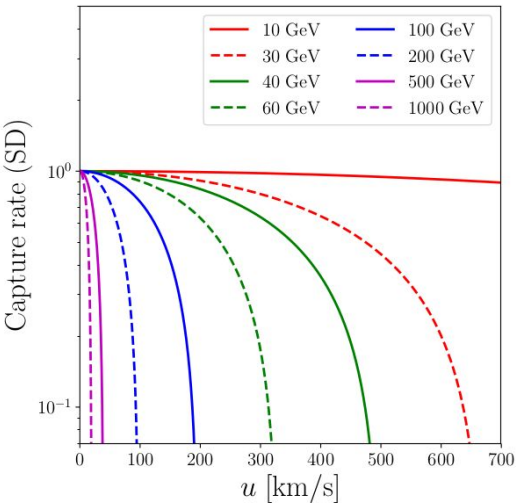
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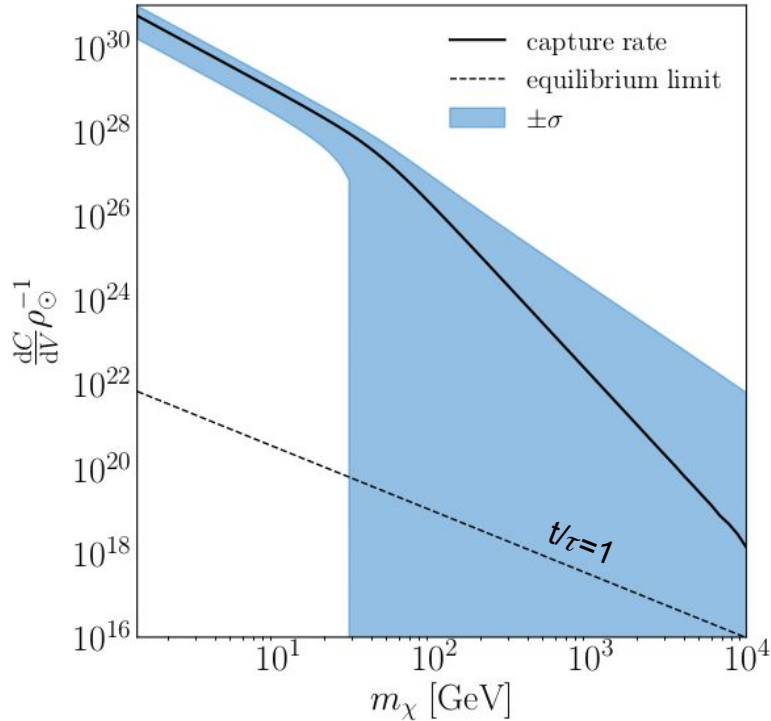
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**Astrophysical Uncertainties:**

- Assumptions on the Sun's composition (Wikström & Edjo 2009 )
- Assumptions on the galactic DM features ( Choi 2014 , A. Green 2017)
- DM velocity distribution. (Ling 2010, Mao 2012)
- Intrinsic uncertainty of capture ([arxiv:1906.11674])



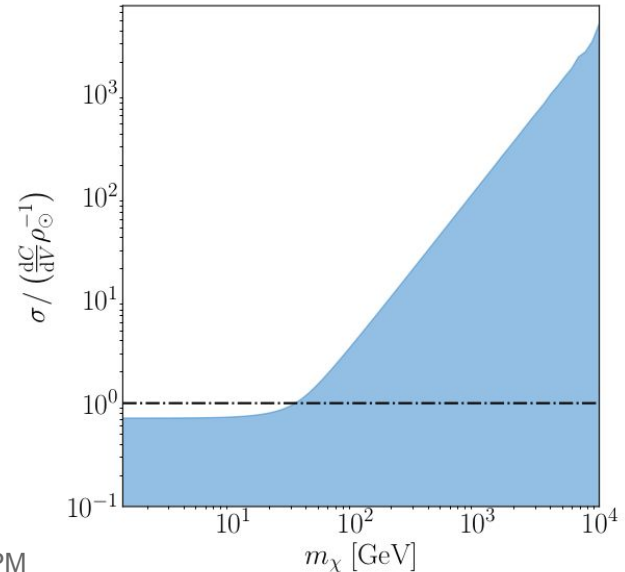
# Intrinsic uncertainty



Nunez-Castineyra, Nezri & Bertin  
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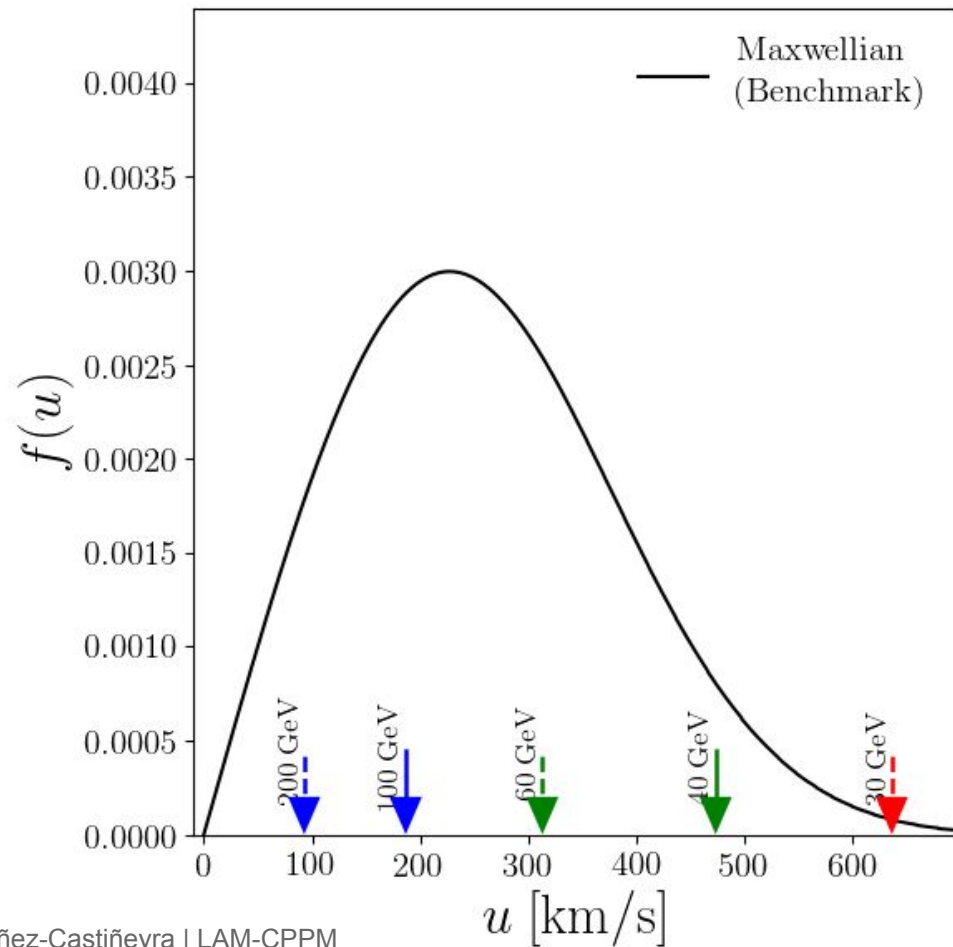
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# 1. SHM

Takes standard assumptions as they are and use them to generate the  $f(v)$





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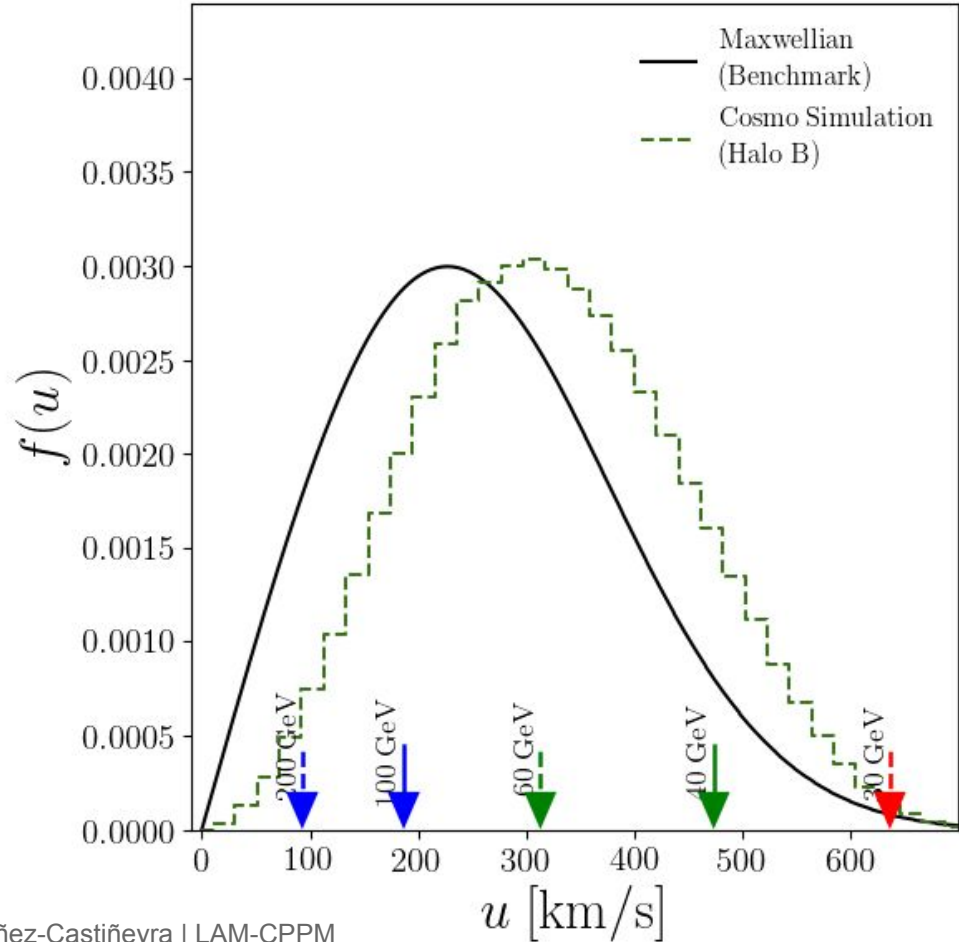
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## 2. Cosmological simulations

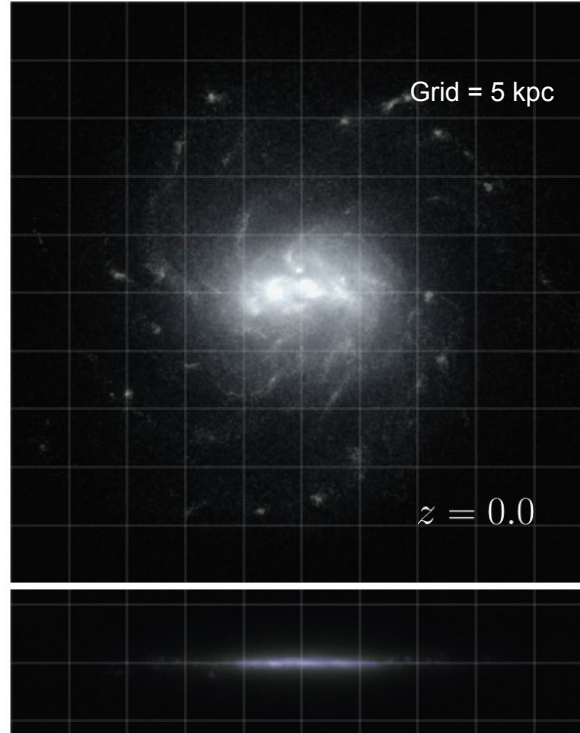
Extrapolate data or use fits on  $f(v)$  obtain in simulations of "MW-like galaxy" \*\*

\*\* : how MW-like can a simulation be?



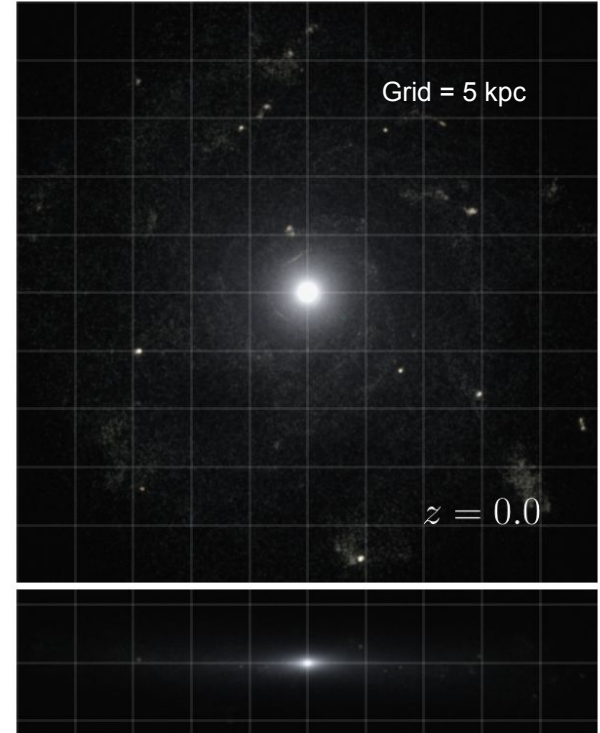
We use **2 cosmological simulations** of spiral galaxies in a **MW size halo**

- Simulated with AMR code RAMSES
- Similar baryonic physics implementation
  - **Star formation**
  - **SN feedback**
- **Ingredients:**
  - Dark Matter
  - Gas
  - Stars
- Usual comparisons with MW are done in their respective publications: RC, TF, SHMR, SFR.. **we present here extra checks**



### Halo B

Boxsize = 20 Mpc  
 $M_{\text{DM}} = 0.6 \times 10^{12} M_{\text{star}} = 7 \times 10^{10}$   
Resolution = 150 pc  
Mollitor et al [[arXiv:1405.4318](https://arxiv.org/abs/1405.4318)]



### Mochima

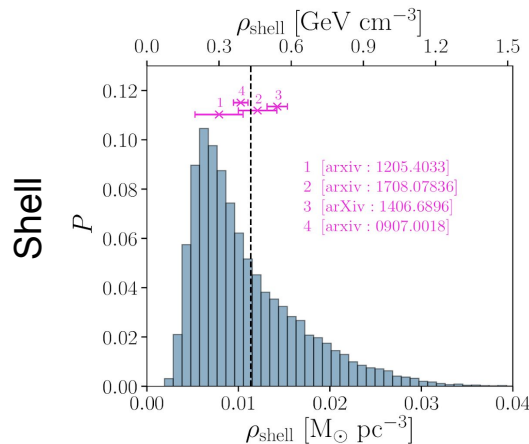
Boxsize = 36 Mpc  
 $M_{\text{DM}} = 0.9 \times 10^{12} M_{\text{star}} = 3 \times 10^{10}$   
Resolution = 35 pc  
Nunez-Castineyra et al. [in prep](#)

# Local DM density

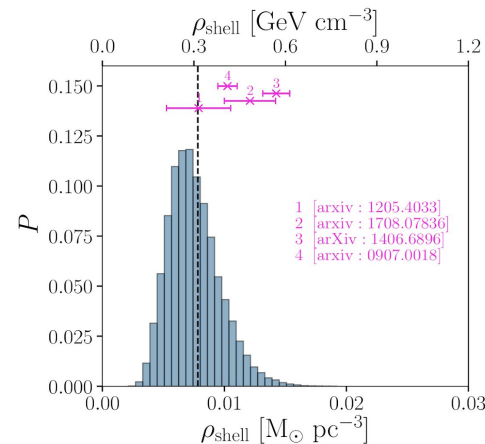
Check of the **local density value** in the **simulation** with analytical **predictions** and **observations** in **two volumetric selection**

- Ring
- Shell

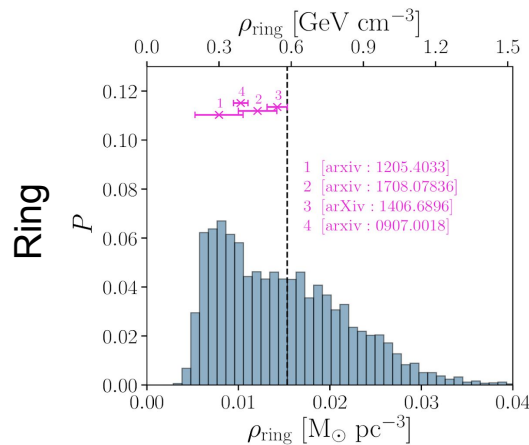
Centered at  $r = 8$  kpc and a thickness of 2 kpc



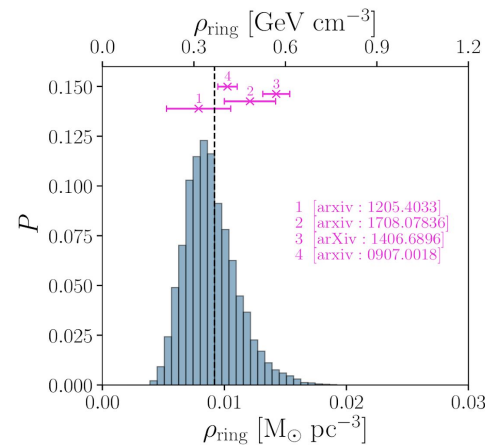
(a) Halo B shell



(b) Mochima shell



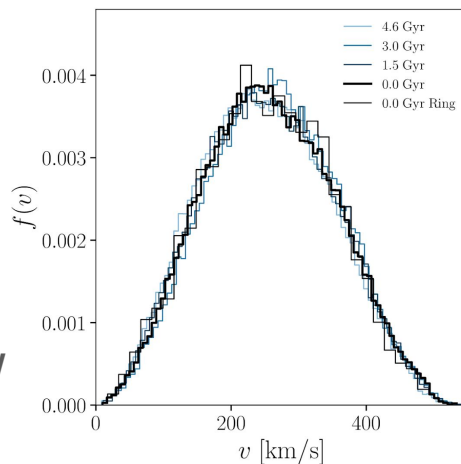
(c) Halo B ring



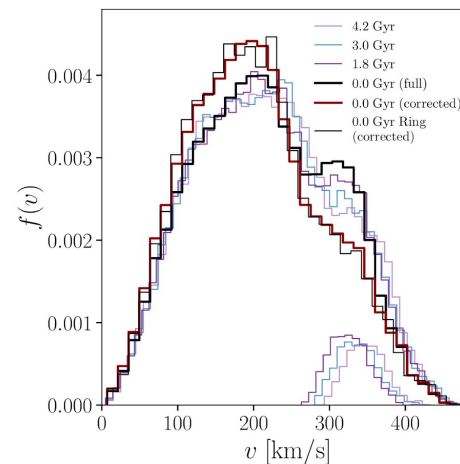
(d) Mochima ring

# Check for equilibrium

Usually assumed for the MW



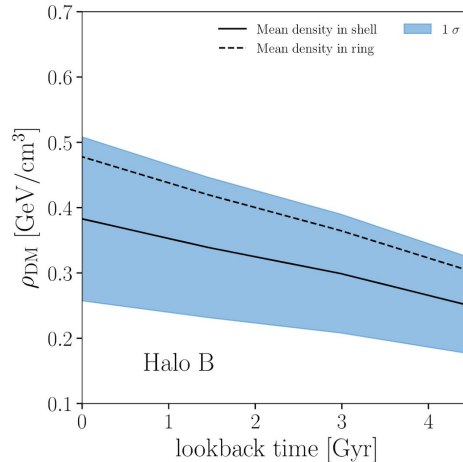
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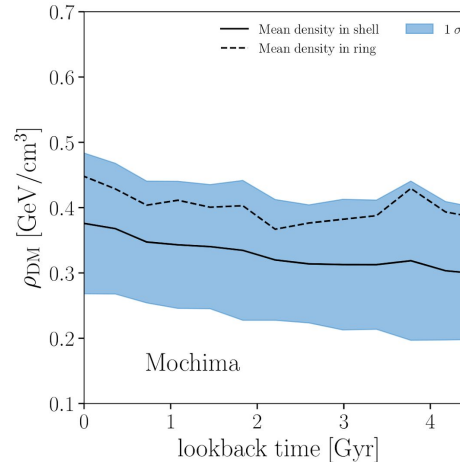
(b) Mochima shell

- Local density over time

- $f(v)$  over time

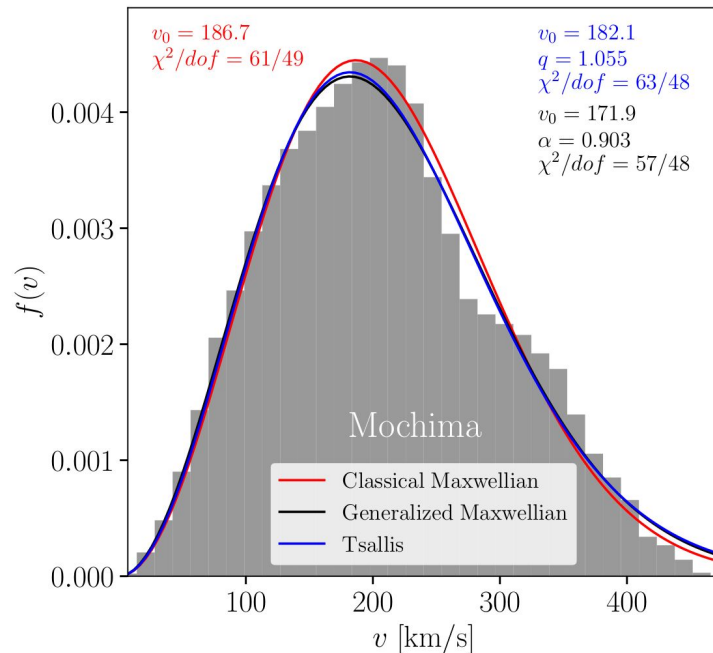
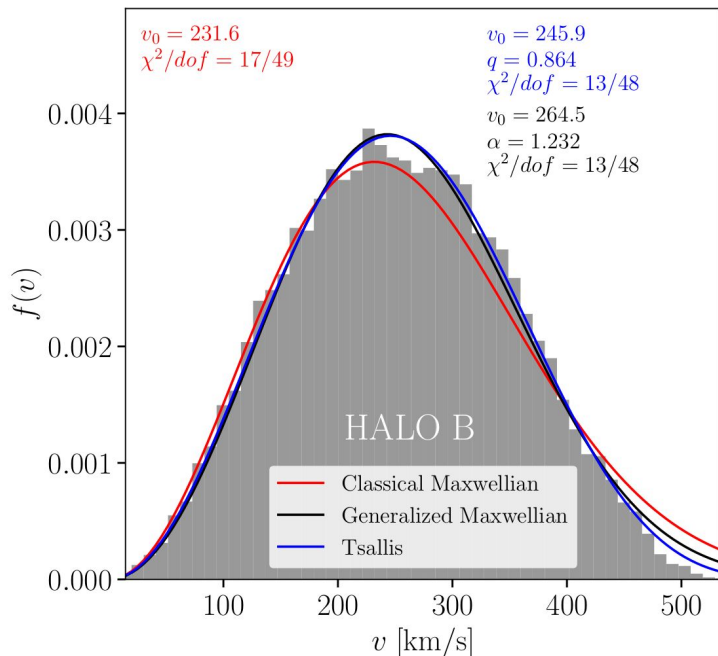


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Then we  
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Take your favorite fitting formula and go ahead...

$$f(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{N} e^{-(\vec{v}^2/v_0^2)}$$

**Classical Maxwellian**

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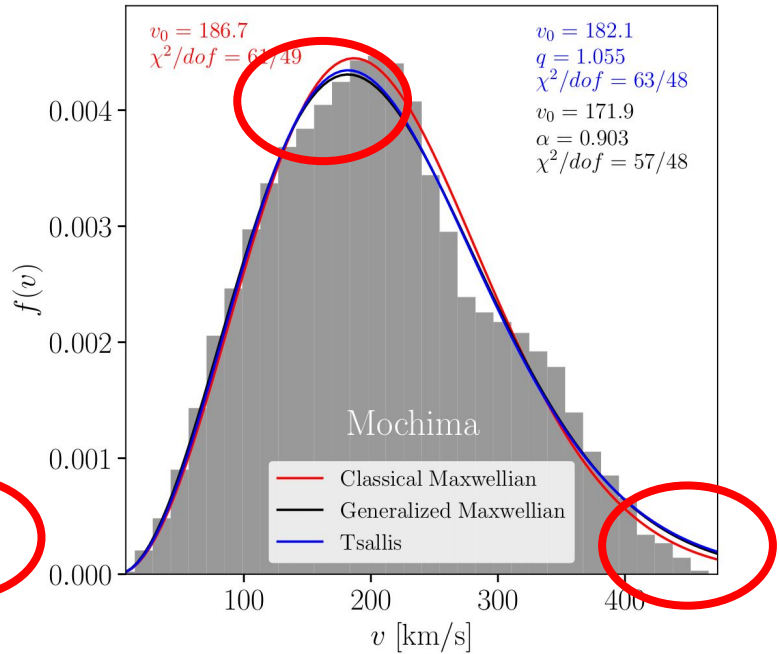
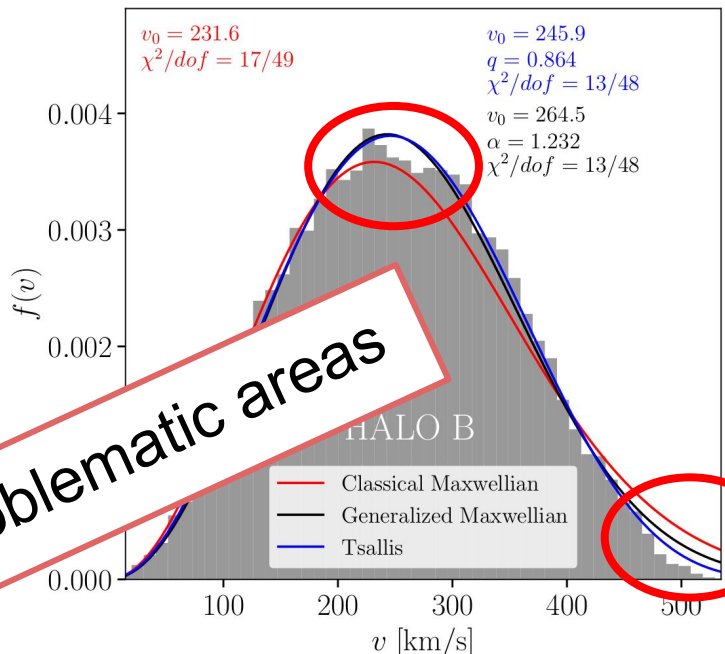
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**Tsallis**

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Two problematic areas



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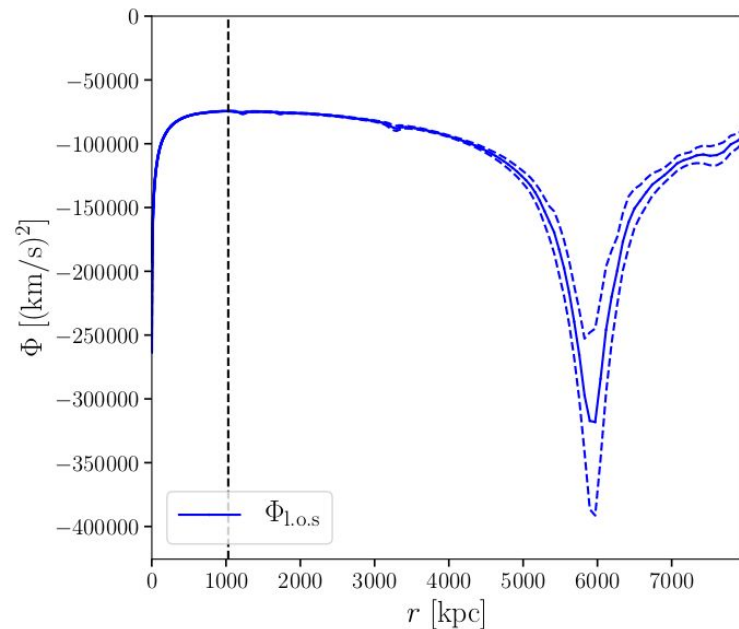
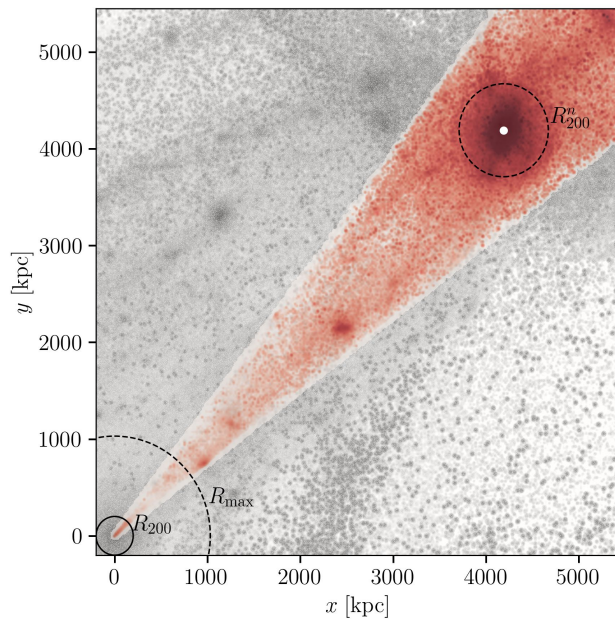
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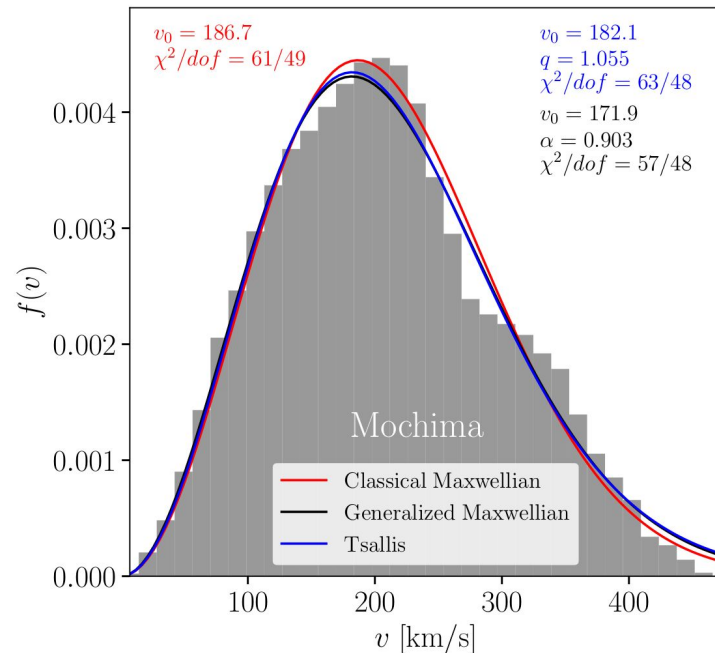
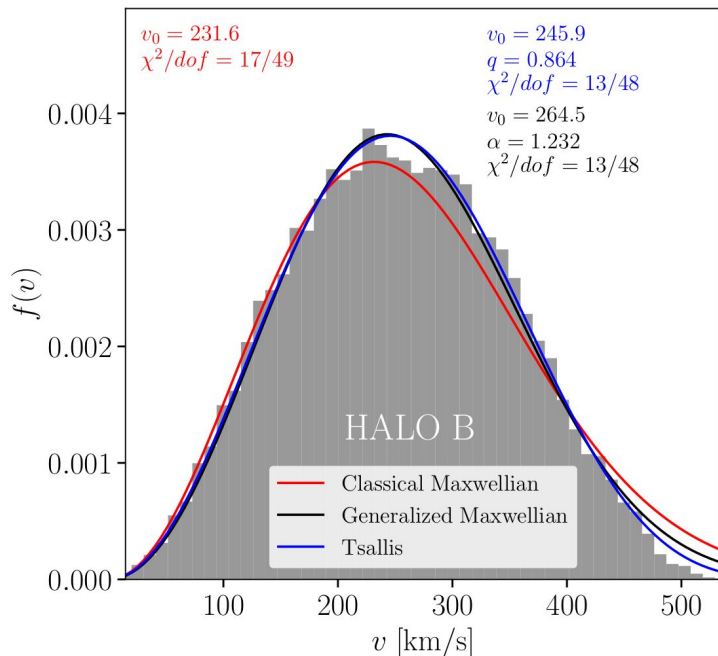
Radius at the point where  
the potential in the line  
between the halo and the  
biggest neighbour reach a  
maximum



$$v_{\text{esc}} \equiv \sqrt{2\Psi(r)} \quad \Psi(r) = \Phi(R_{\text{max}}) - \Phi(r)$$



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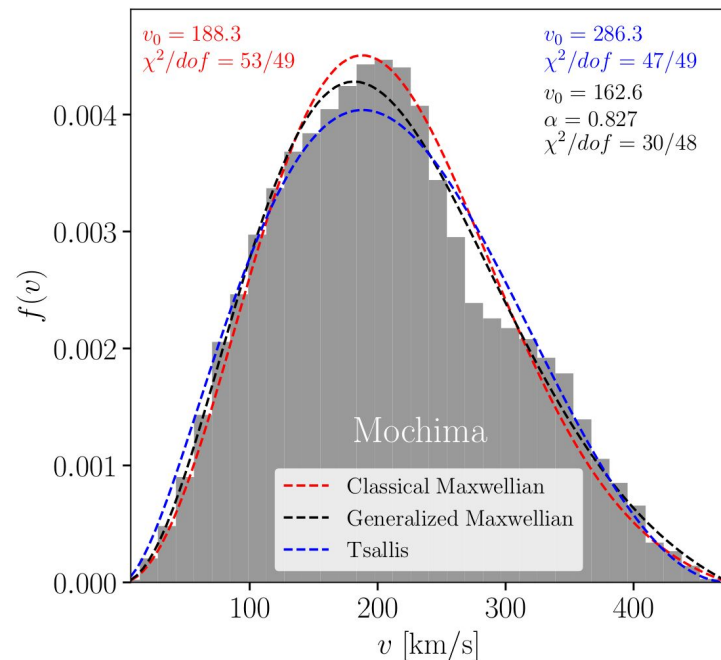
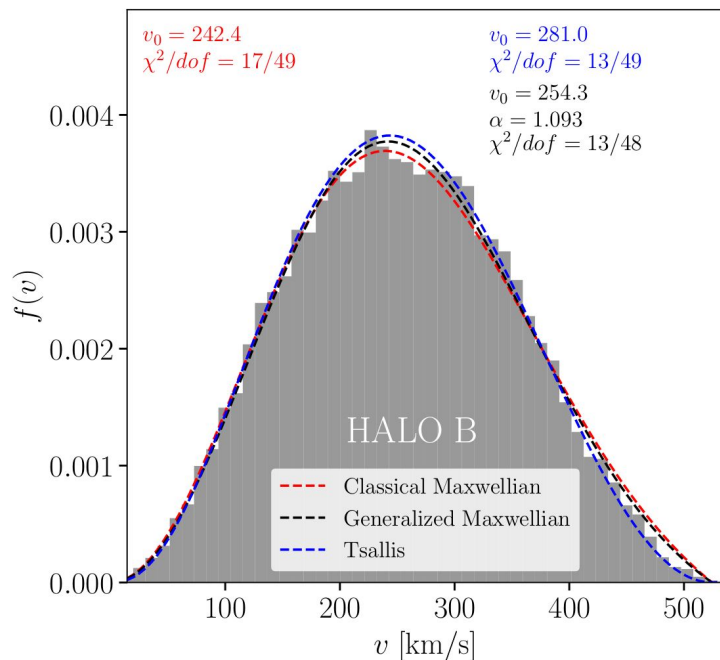
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# Then we can fit



Take your favorite fitting formula and go ahead... now including  $v_{esc}$

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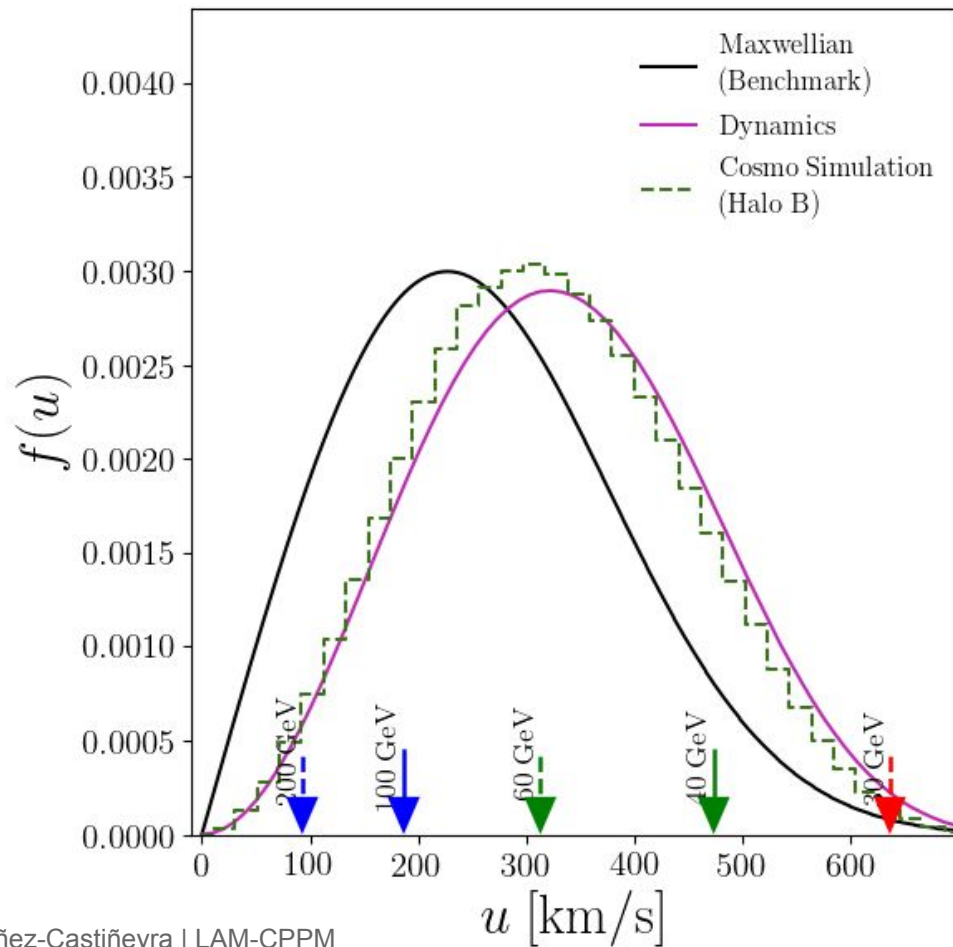
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## 2. Predictions from dynamics



# Eddington inversion



Predictions from [the Eddington method](#) as studied by Lacroix et al. ( [Binney - Tremaine](#)) of  $f(v)$

vs

fully consistent objects build in a **Zoom-in Cosmological Simulation**.

$$f(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) = f(\mathcal{E}, L)$$

Density profile  $\rightarrow$  Eddington inversion  $\rightarrow f(\mathcal{E}) \rightarrow f(v)$

$$\rho_{DM}(r) + \rho_{baryons}(r)$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \Psi(r) - \frac{v^2}{2}$$

$$\Psi = \Phi(r) - \Phi(r_{max})$$

Assuming spherical symmetry and isotropy

$$\frac{d\rho}{d\Psi}$$

$$f(\mathcal{E}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi^2}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mathcal{E}}} \left[ \frac{d\rho}{d\Psi} \right]_{\Psi=0} + \int_0^{\mathcal{E}} \frac{d\Psi}{\sqrt{\mathcal{E} - \Psi}} \frac{d^3\rho}{d\Psi^3} \right)$$

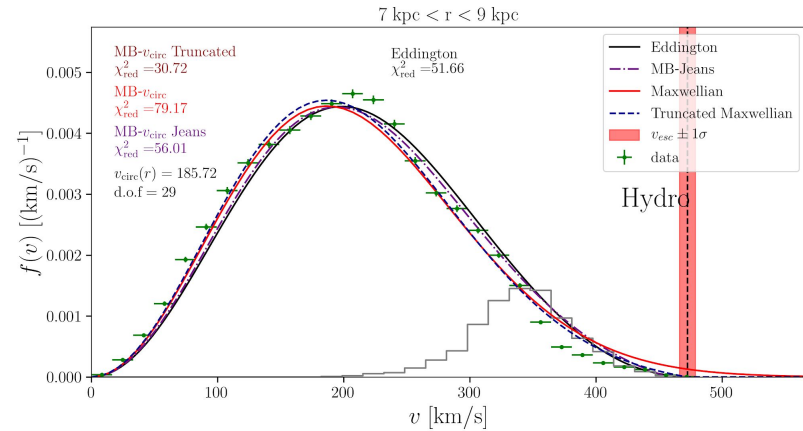
# Eddington prediction vs Maxwellian approach

Two ways of building the mean of maxwellian  $f(v)$

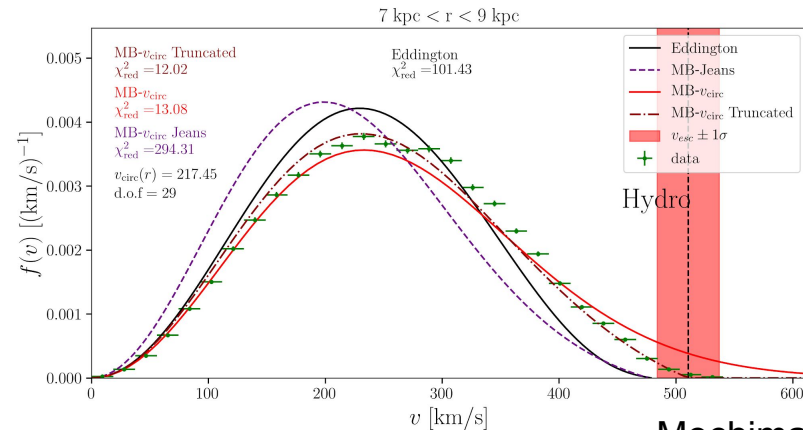
- 1) From the contained mass as

$$v_0 = v_c(r) = \sqrt{\frac{GM(r)}{r}}$$

- 2) By solving the **Jeans equation** for the velocity using the contain mass again.

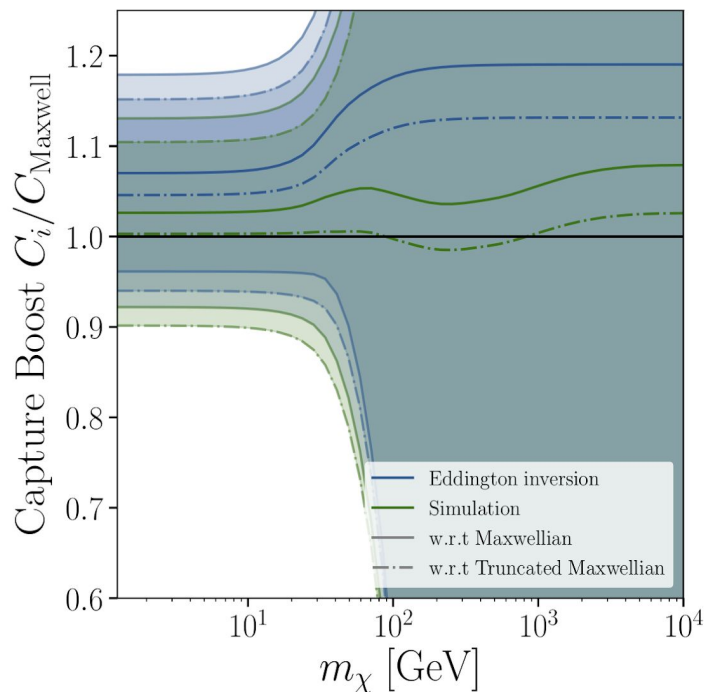


HALO B

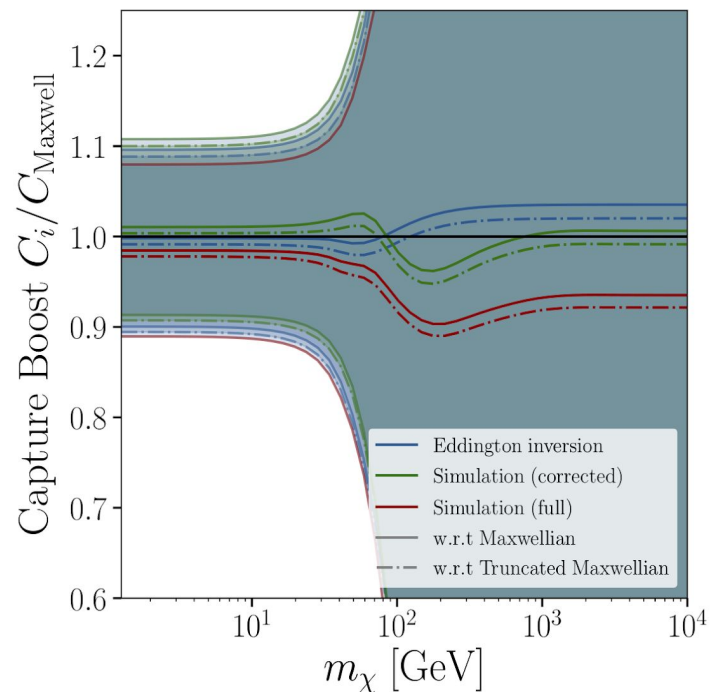


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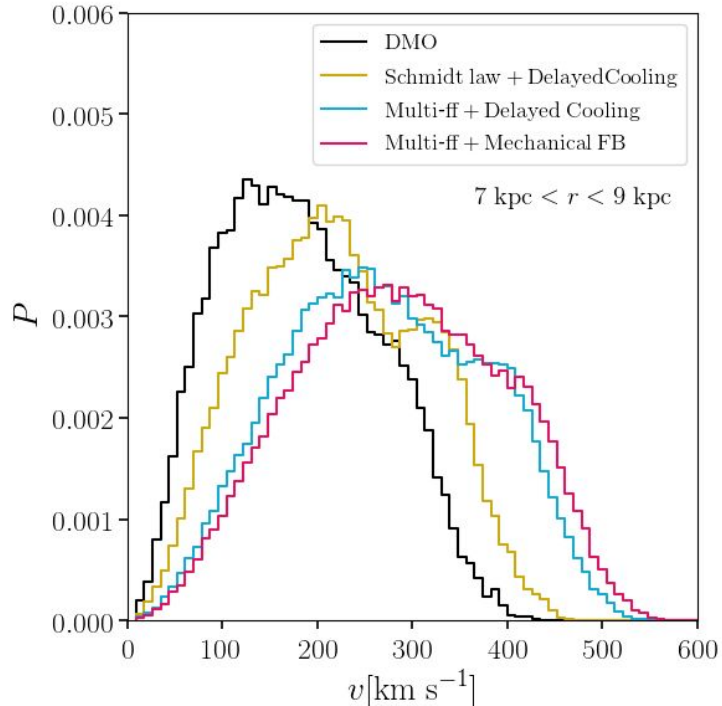


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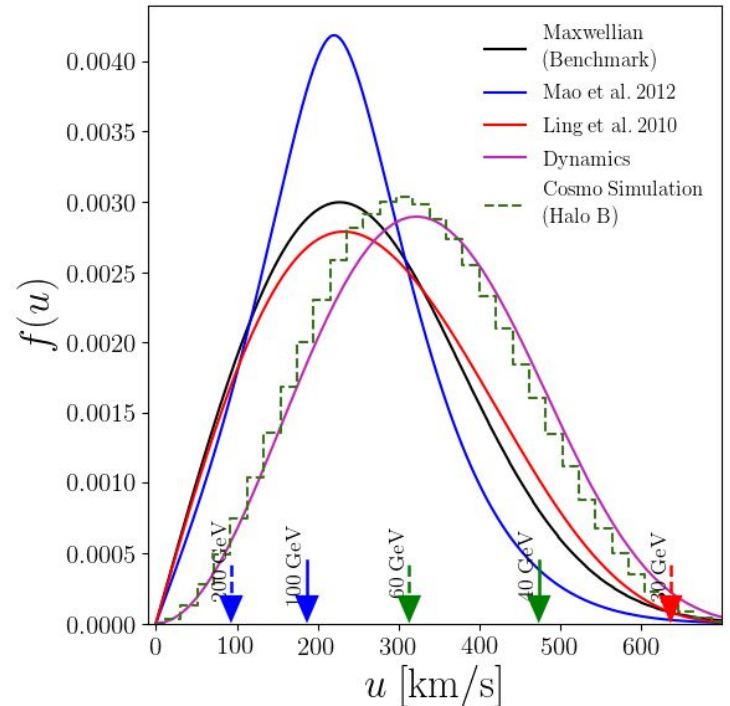
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# Point of emphasis on the variability of the $f(v)$



In simulations the implementation of baryonic physics will have an effect on the final distribution.

[Nunez-Castineyra et al. in prep](#)



The discussed cases + some extra from the literature



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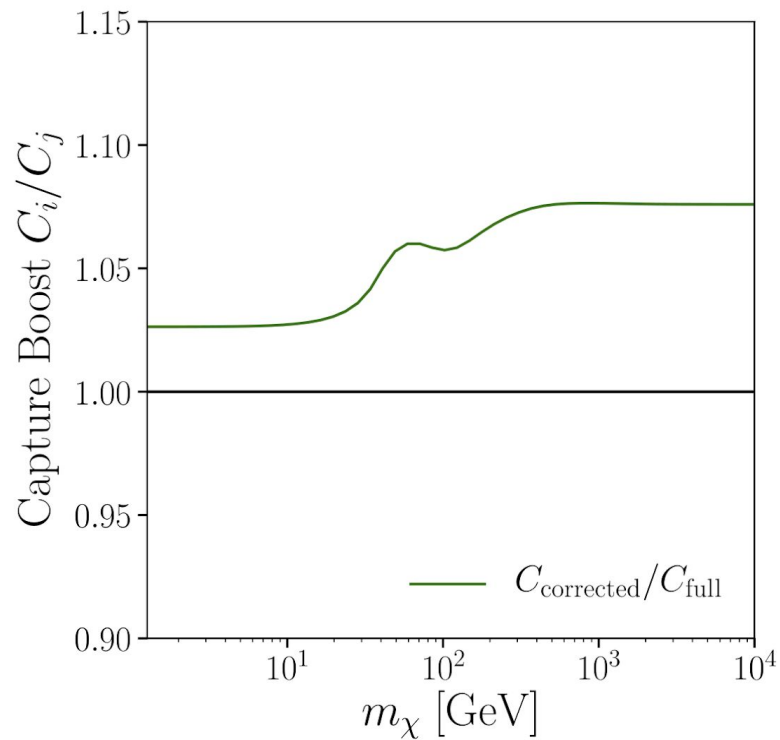
- Requires validation from simulations. Lacroix et al in prep

# Conclusions

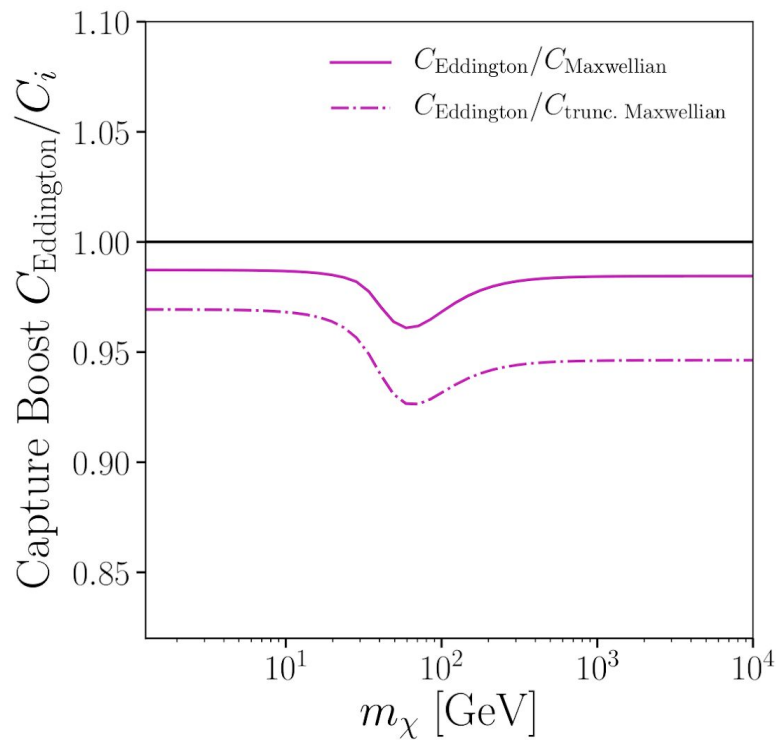
- Departure from **capture/annihilation equilibrium** during periods of low capture is an unlikely scenario. **The Sun is** safely in **equilibrium** for WIMPs with  $m_\chi$  . few TeV.
- The **peak/hat and the tail** of the simulations  $f(v)$  are usually hard to fit. Adding the **escape velocity** in the fits improves the consistency with the tail of the distribution.
- The  $f(v)$ s obtained with the **Eddington approach** bring additional information on the possible distributions that can be assumed. (have better agreement with simulations data than the standard Maxwellian VDF)
- **The merger history** of the halo could leave specific features in the  $f(v)$  that **out of reach for usual functions**.
- The level of **variability** on the capture rate can reach up to **20%** depending on the assumptions  $f(v)$
- The intrinsic errors, **the variance**, of the capture rate leads to **dramatic uncertainties**, especially for  **$m_\chi > 30$  GeV**.

Thank you

# Capture boost



(c) Mochima



(d) Milky Way mass model

# Some more Eddington results

