## Bose-Einstein Condensation of Dark Matter Axions

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## Outline

- Bose-Einstein condensation of dark matter axions (axions are different)
- the inner caustics of galactic halos (axions are better
- axions and cosmological parameters

## Dark matter candidates

axion WIMP sterile  $\nu$  $10^{-5} \frac{\text{eV}}{c^2} \quad 100 \frac{\text{GeV}}{c^2} \quad 10 \frac{\text{keV}}{c^2}$ mmass velocity dispersion  $\delta v = 10^{-17}c = 10^{-12}c = 10^{-8}c$ coherence length  $\ell = \frac{\hbar}{m \ \delta v}$   $10^{17} \text{cm}$   $10^{-5} \text{cm}$   $10^{-1} \text{cm}$ 

## QFT has two classical limits:

limit of point particles (WIMPs, ...)  $\hbar \to 0 \qquad \omega, \vec{k} \to \infty$  $E = \hbar \omega \text{ and } \vec{p} = \hbar \vec{k} \text{ fixed}$ 

limit of classical fields (axions)  $\hbar \to 0 \qquad N \to \infty$  $E = N\hbar\omega \text{ and } \vec{p} = N\hbar\vec{k} \text{ fixed}$ 

## **Cold axion properties**

• number density

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$$n(t) \Box \frac{4 \cdot 10^{47}}{\text{cm}^3} \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \text{ GeV}}\right)^{\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{a(t_1)}{a(t)}\right)^3$$

- velocity dispersion  $\delta \mathbf{v}(t) \Box \frac{1}{m_a t_1} \frac{a(t_1)}{a(t)} \quad {}^{\text{if}}_{\text{decoupled}}$
- phase space density

$$\mathcal{N} \Box n(t) \frac{(2\pi)^3}{\frac{4\pi}{3} (m_a \,\delta \mathrm{v})^3} \Box 10^{61} \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{12} \,\mathrm{GeV}}\right)^{\frac{8}{3}}$$

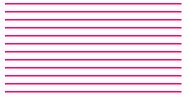
## **Bose-Einstein Condensation**

if identical bosonic particles
 are highly condensed in phase space
 and their total number is conserved
 and they thermalize

then most of them go to the lowest energy available state

why do they do that?

by yielding their energy to the non-condensed particles, the total entropy is increased.

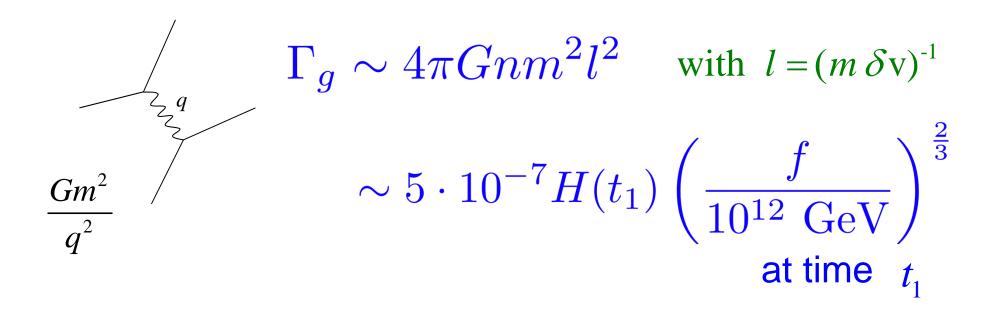






## Thermalization occurs due to gravitational interactions

PS + Q. Yang, PRL 103 (2009) 111301



$$\Gamma_g(t)/H(t) \propto t a(t)^{-1} \propto a(t)$$

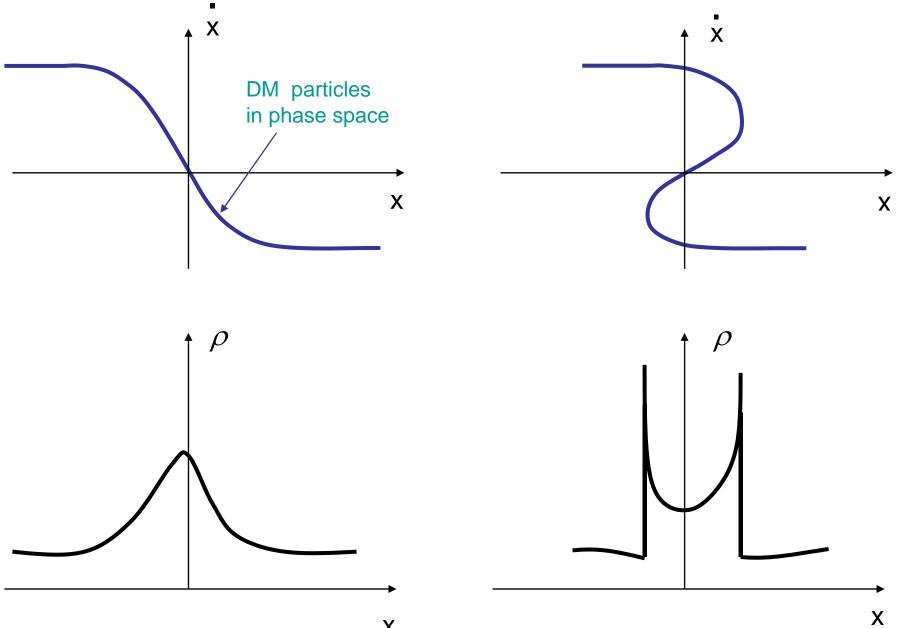
Gravitational interactions thermalize the axions and cause them to form a BEC when the photon temperature

$$T_{\gamma} \sim 500 \text{ eV} \left(\frac{f}{10^{12} \text{ GeV}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

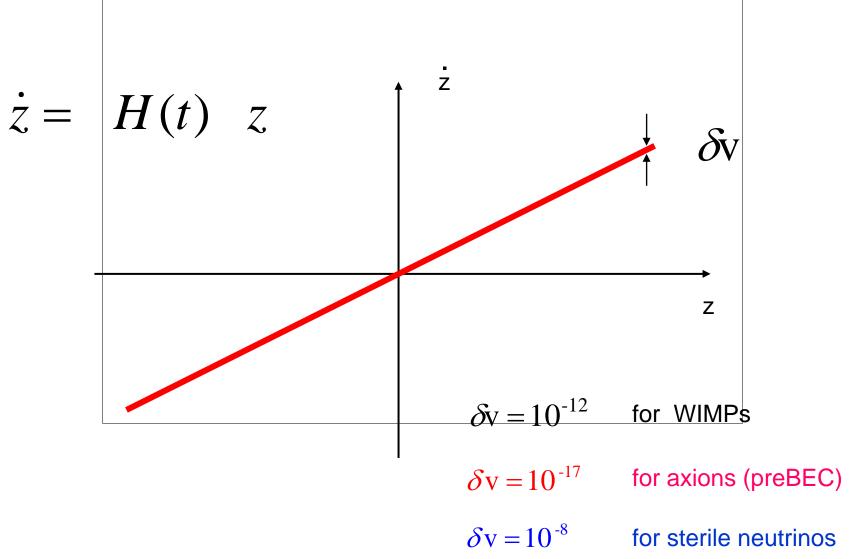
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After that  $\delta v \Box \frac{1}{mt}$  $\Gamma_g(t)/H(t) \propto t^3 a(t)^{-3}$ 

#### DM forms caustics in the non-linear regime

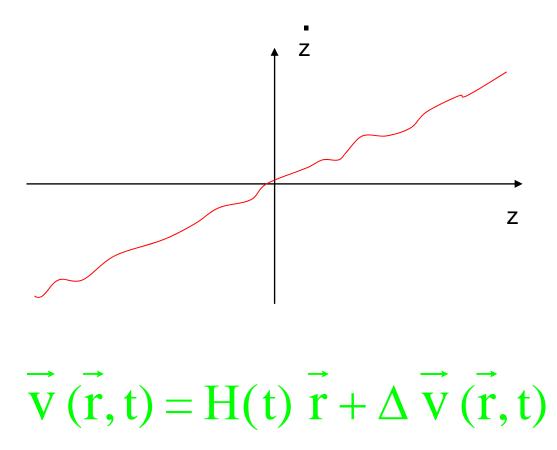


## Phase space distribution of DM in a homogeneous universe



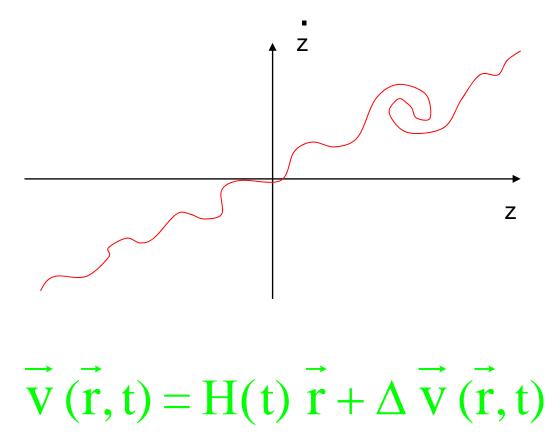
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the physical density is the projection of the phase space sheet onto position space

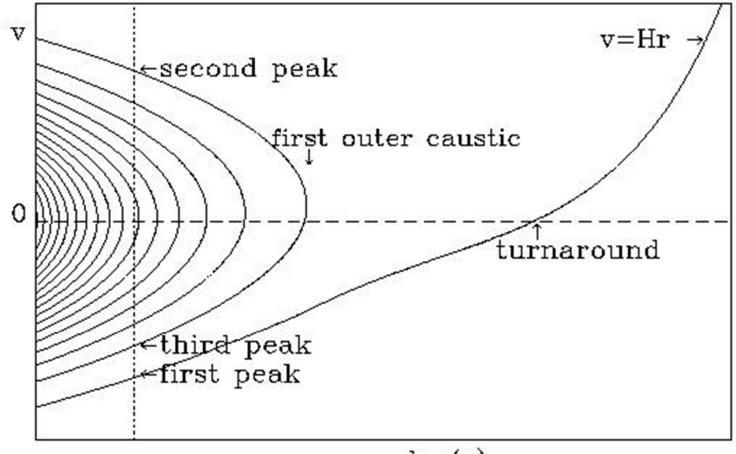


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# Phase space structure of spherically symmetric halos



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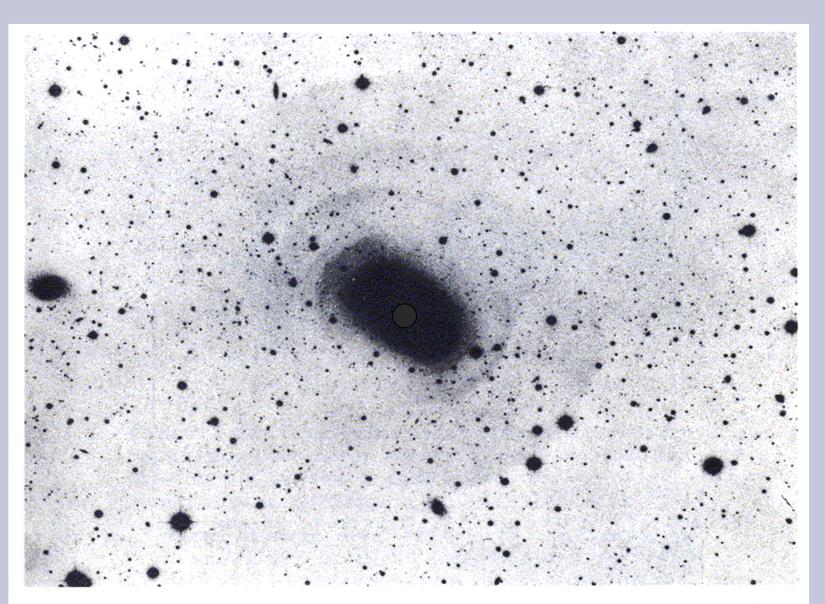


Figure 7-22. The giant elliptical galaxy NGC 3923 is surrounded by faint ripples of brightness. Courtesy of D. F. Malin and the Anglo-Australian Telescope Board. (from Binney and Tremaine's book)

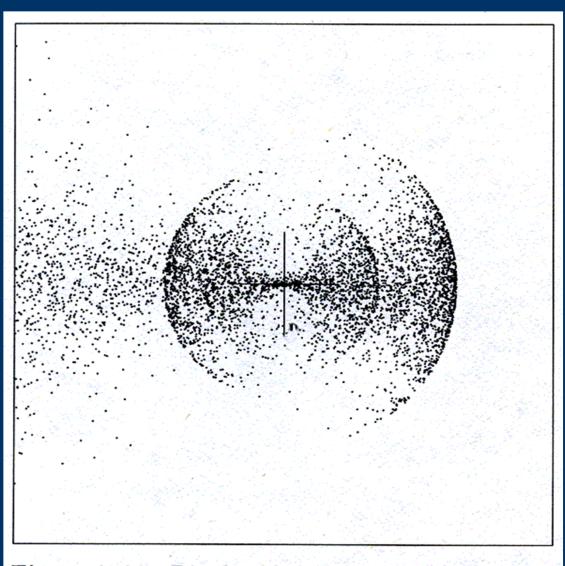
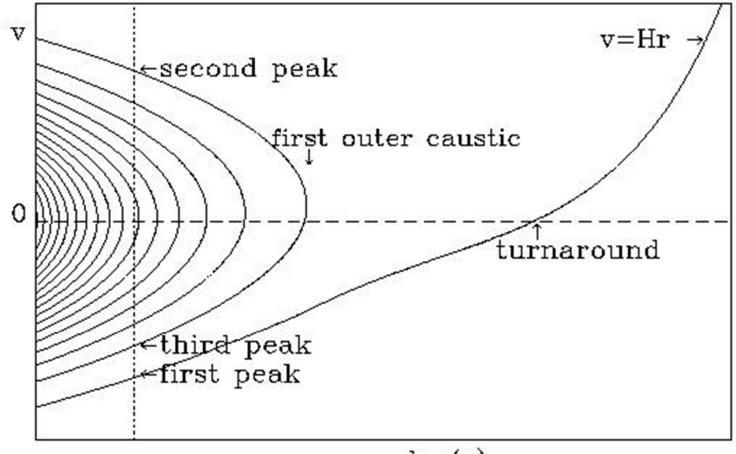


Figure 7-23. Ripples like those shown in Figure 7-22 are formed when a numerical disk galaxy is tidally disrupted by a fixed galaxy-like potential. (See Hernquist & Quinn 1987.)

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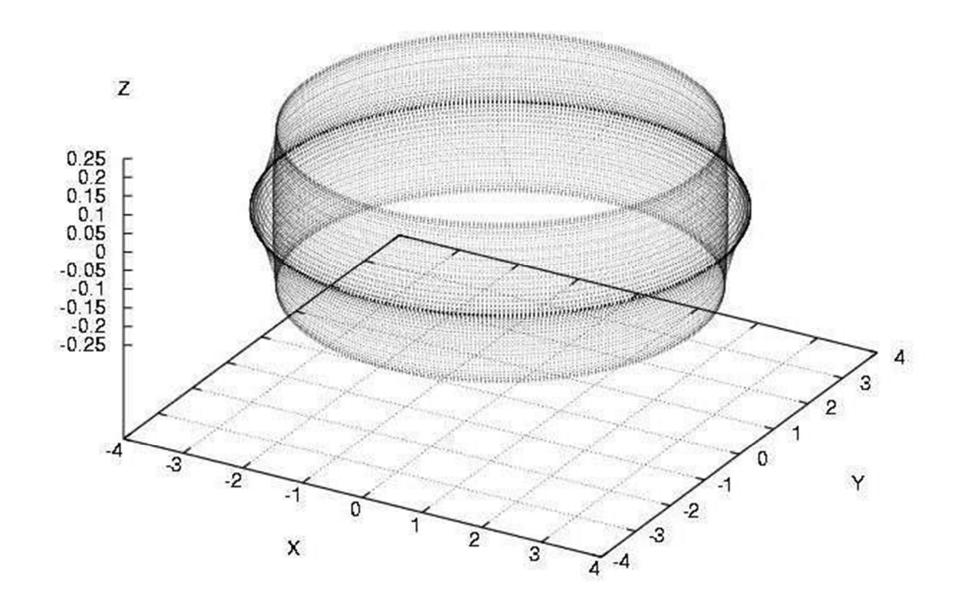
Galactic halos have inner caustics as well as outer caustics.

If the initial velocity field is dominated by net overall rotation, the inner caustic is a 'tricusp ring'.

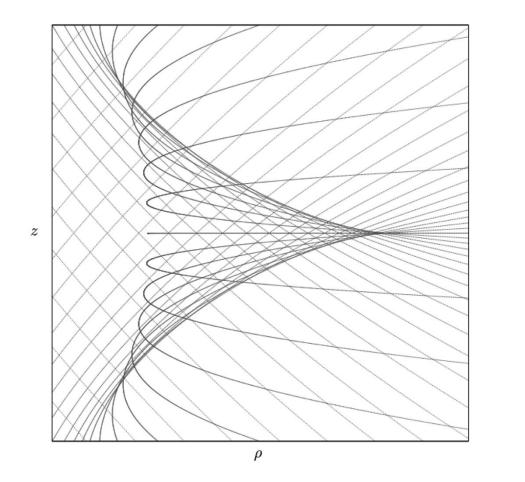
If the initial velocity field is irrotational, the inner caustic has a 'tent-like' structure.

(Arvind Natarajan and PS, 2005).

#### simulations by Arvind Natarajan

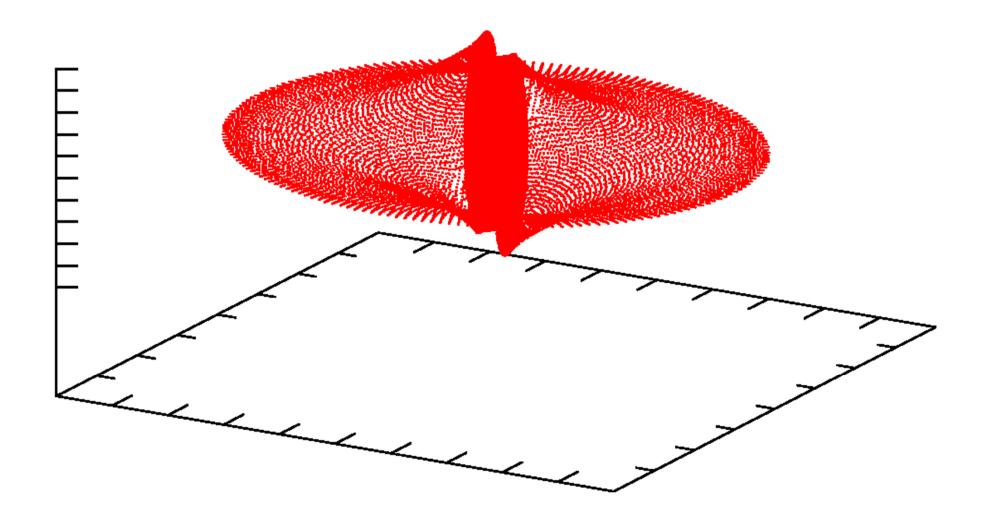


#### The caustic ring cross-section



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an elliptic umbilic catastrophe



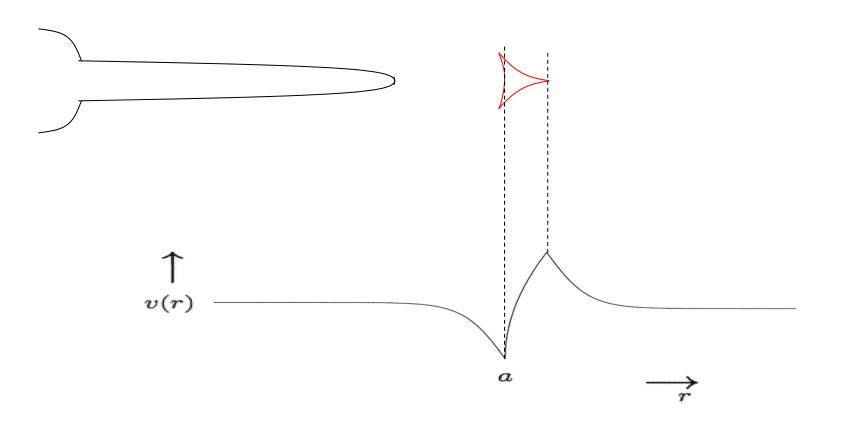
On the basis of the self-similar infall model (Filmore and Goldreich, Bertschinger) with angular momentum (Tkachev, Wang + PS), the caustic rings were predicted to be

in the galactic plane with radii (n = 1, 2, 3...)

$$a_n = \frac{40 \text{kpc}}{n} \left( \frac{\text{v}_{\text{rot}}}{220 \text{km/s}} \right) \left( \frac{\text{j}_{\text{max}}}{0.18} \right)$$

 $j_{max} \cong 0.18$  was expected for the Milky Way halo from the effect of angular momentum on the inner rotation curve.

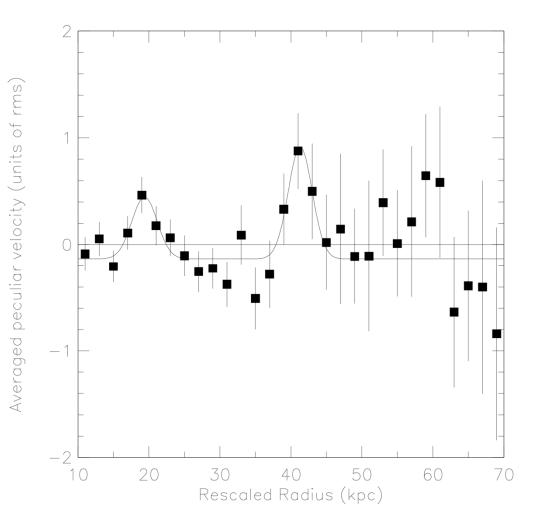
#### Effect of a caustic ring of dark matter upon the galactic rotation curve



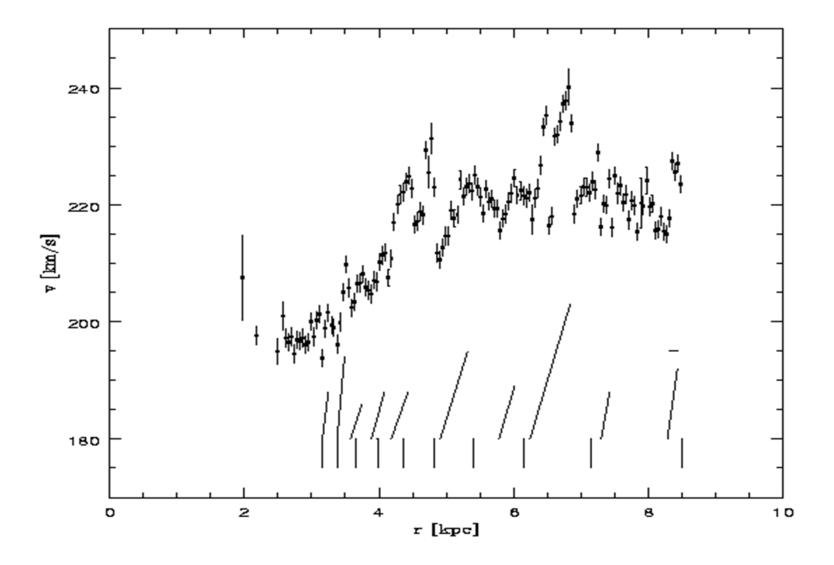
## Composite rotation curve

(W. Kinney and PS, astro-ph/9906049)

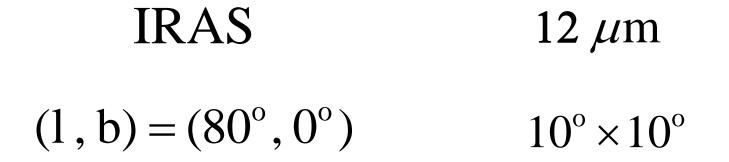
- combining data on 32 well measured extended external rotation curves
- scaled to our own galaxy

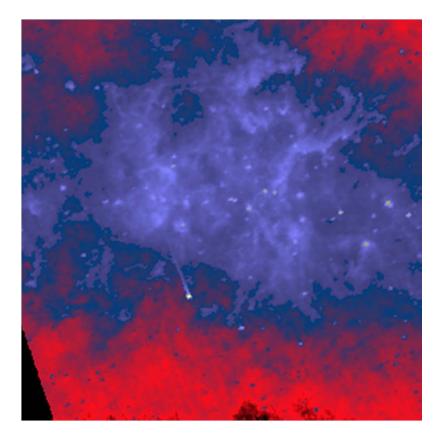


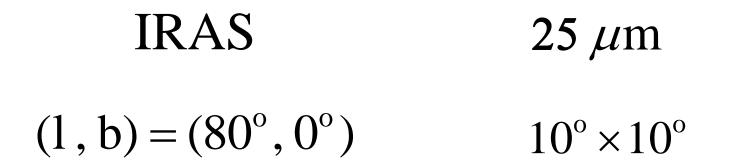
#### Inner Galactic rotation curve

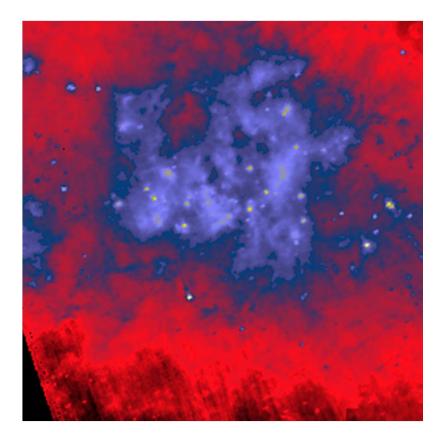


from Massachusetts-Stony Brook North Galactic Pane CO Survey (Clemens, 1985)

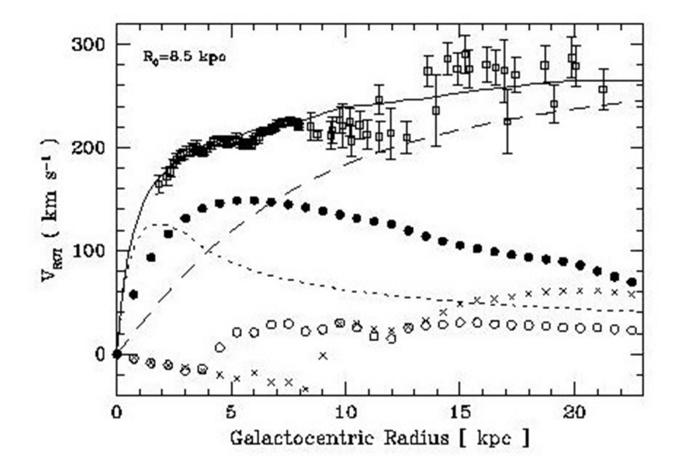








### Outer Galactic rotation curve



R.P. Olling and M.R. Merrifield, MNRAS 311 (2000) 361

### Monoceros Ring of stars

H. Newberg et al. 2002; B. Yanny et al., 2003; R.A. Ibata et al., 2003; H.J. Rocha-Pinto et al, 2003; J.D. Crane et al., 2003; N.F. Martin et al., 2005

in the Galactic plane at galactocentric distance  $r \Box 20 \text{ kpc}$ appears circular, actually seen for  $100^{\circ} < l < 270^{\circ}$ scale height of order 1 kpc velocity dispersion of order 20 km/s

may be caused by the n = 2 caustic ring of dark matter (A. Natarajan and P.S. '07)

#### Rotation curve of Andromeda Galaxy

from L. Chemin, C. Carignan & T. Foster, arXiv: 0909.3846

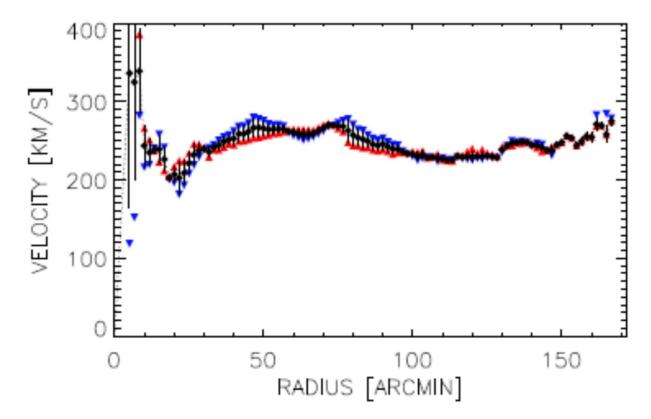
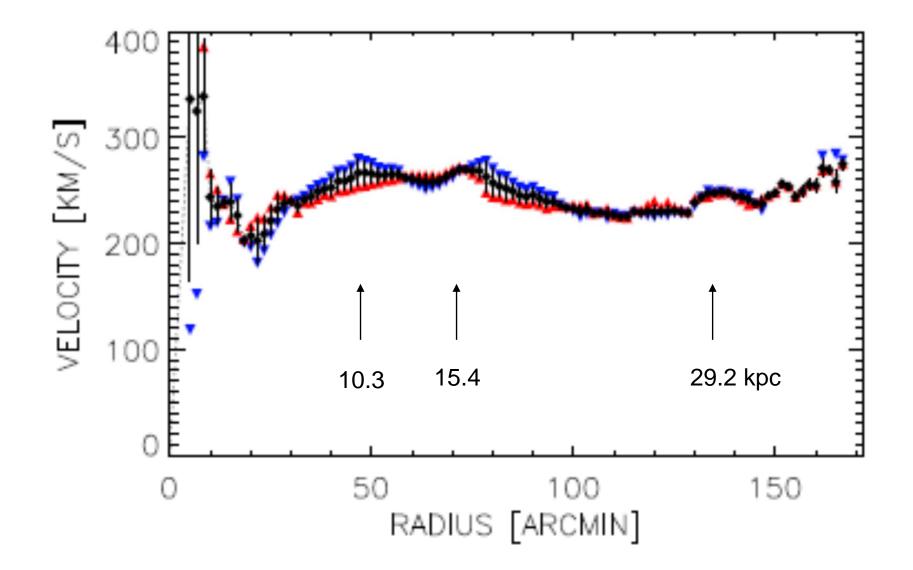


FIG. 10.— HI rotation curve of Messier 31. Filled diamonds are for both halves of the disc fitted simultaneously while blue downward/red upward triangles are for the approaching/receding sides fitted separately (respectively).



10 arcmin = 2.2 kpc

# The caustic ring halo model assumes

- net overall rotation
- axial symmetry
- self-similarity

## The specific angular momentum distribution on the turnaround sphere

$$\vec{\ell}(\hat{n},t) = j_{\max} \quad \hat{n} \times (\hat{z} \times \hat{n}) \quad \frac{R(t)^2}{t}$$

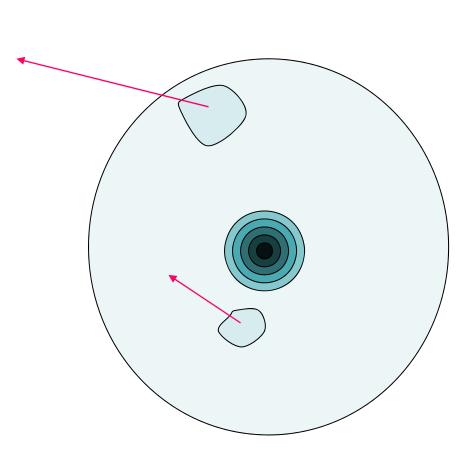
$$R(t) \propto t^{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{9\varepsilon}}$$

$$0.25 < \varepsilon < 0.35$$

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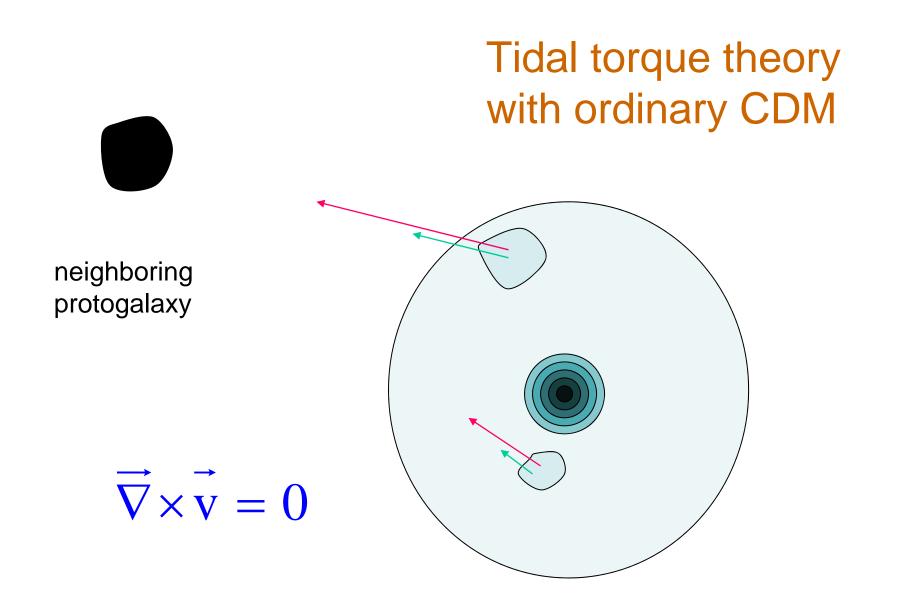
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### Tidal torque theory



Stromberg 1934; Hoyle 1947; Peebles 1969, 1971

neighboring protogalaxy



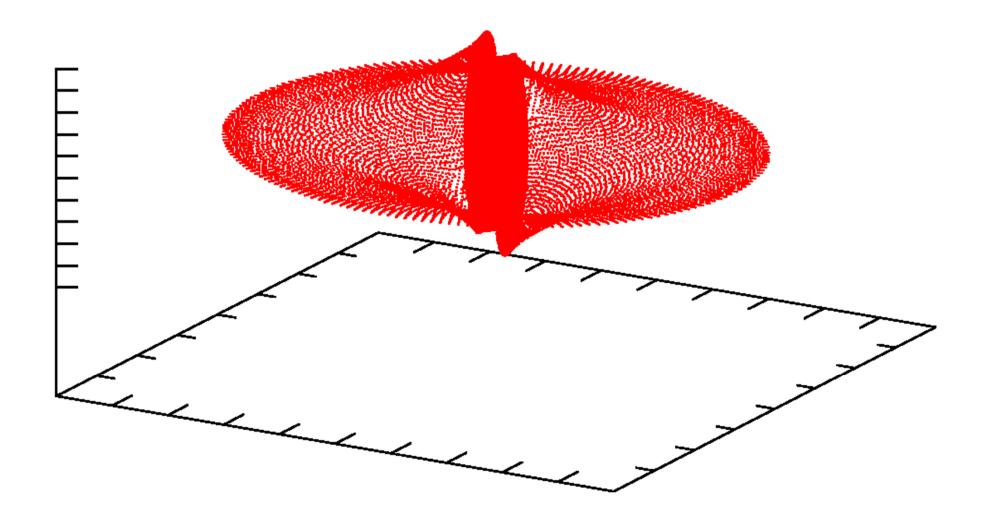
#### the velocity field remains irrotational

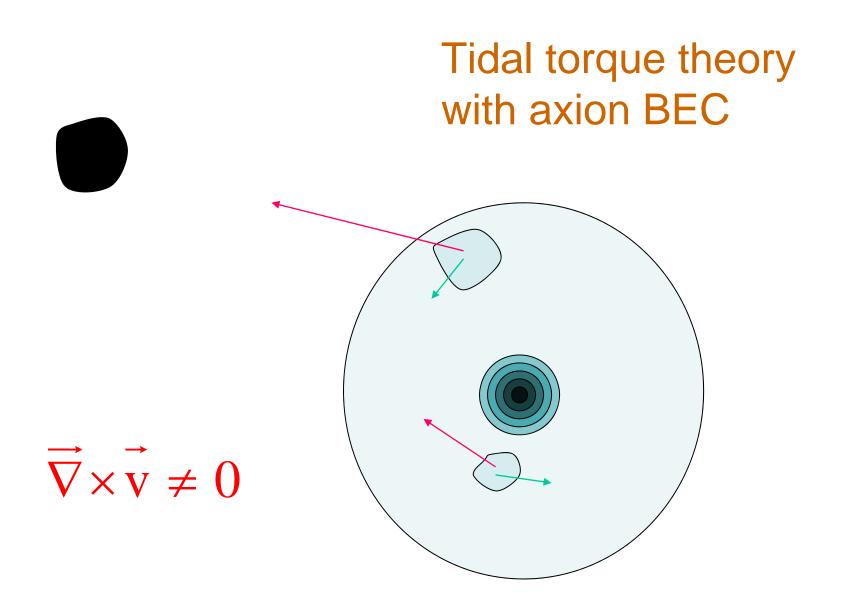
### For collisionless particles

$$\frac{d \vec{v}}{dt}(\vec{r},t) = \frac{\partial \vec{v}}{\partial t}(\vec{r},t) + \left(\vec{v}(\vec{r},t)\cdot\vec{\nabla}\right)\vec{v}(\vec{r},t)$$
$$= -\vec{\nabla}\Phi(\vec{r},t)$$

If  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{0}$  initially,

then  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{v} = 0$  for ever after.





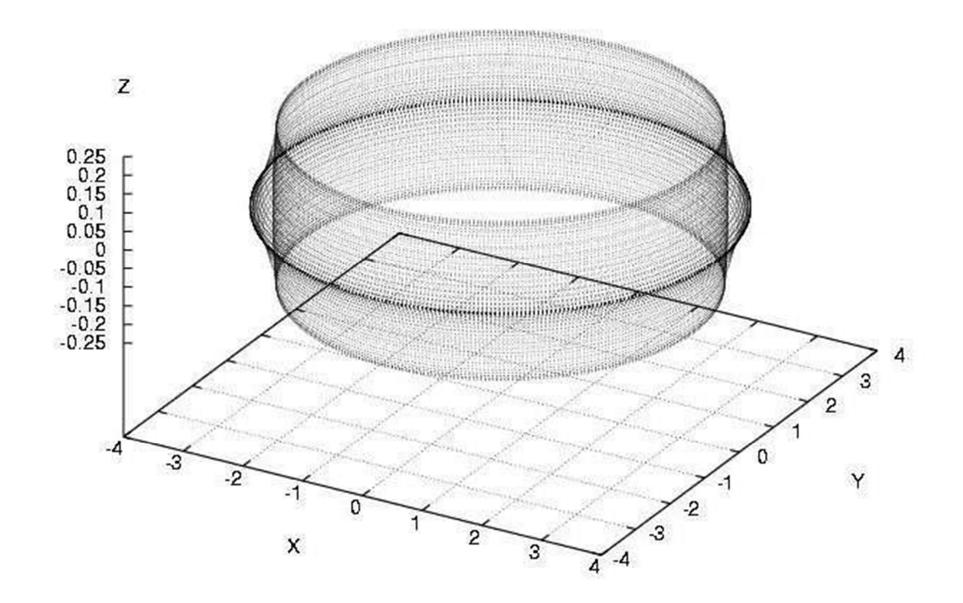
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### For axion BEC

$$E = \sum_{i=1}^{N} \frac{L_i^2}{2I}$$

is minimized for given  $L = \sum_{i=1}^{N} L_i$ 

when 
$$L_1 = L_2 = L_3 = \dots = L_N$$
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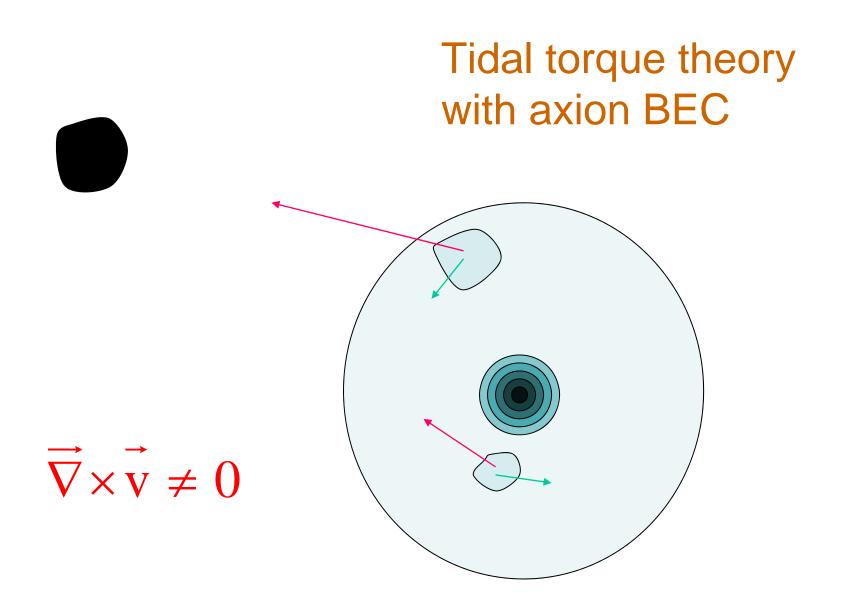
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### Magnitude of angular momentum

$$\lambda = \frac{L|E|^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{6}{5-3\varepsilon}} \frac{8}{10+3\varepsilon} \frac{1}{\pi} j_{\max}$$

 $\lambda \approx 0.05$ 

 $j_{\rm max} \square 0.18$ 

G. Efstathiou et al. 1979, 1987

from caustic rings

fits perfectly ( $0.25 < \varepsilon < 0.35$ )

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### **Self-Similarity**

$$\vec{\tau}(t) = \int_{V(t)} d^{3}r \, \delta\rho(\vec{r},t) \, \vec{r} \times (-\vec{\nabla}\phi(\vec{r},t))$$
a comoving volume

 $\vec{r} = a(t)\vec{x}$   $\phi(\vec{r} = a(t)\vec{x}, t) = \phi(\vec{x})$ 

 $\delta(\vec{r},t) \equiv \frac{\delta\rho(\vec{r},t)}{\rho_0(t)} \qquad \qquad \delta(\vec{r}=a(t)\,\vec{x},\,t) \,=\, a(t)\,\delta(\vec{x})$ 

$$\vec{\tau}(t) = \rho_0(t) a(t)^4 \int_V d^3 x \ \delta(\vec{x}) \ \vec{x} \times (-\vec{\nabla}_x \phi(\vec{x}))$$

## Self-Similarity (yes!) $\vec{\tau}(t) \propto \hat{z} a(t) \propto \hat{z} t^{\frac{2}{3}}$ $\vec{L}(t) \propto \hat{z} t^{\frac{5}{3}}$

time-independent axis of rotation

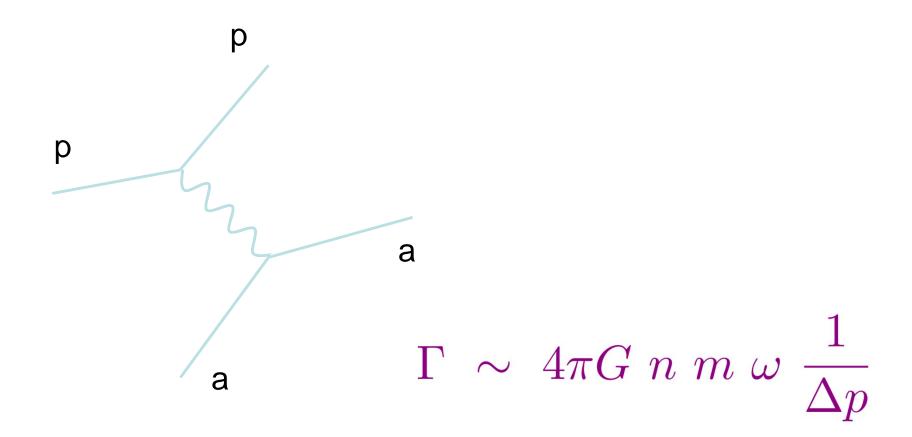
$$\vec{\ell}(\hat{n},t) \propto \frac{R(t)^2}{t} \propto t^{\frac{1}{3}+\frac{4}{9\varepsilon}} = t^{\frac{5}{3}}$$

provided  $\varepsilon = 0.33$ 

#### Conclusion:

#### The dark matter looks like axions

# Baryons and photons enter into thermal contact with the axion BEC



O. Erken, PS, H.Tam and Q. Yang - arXiv:1104.4507

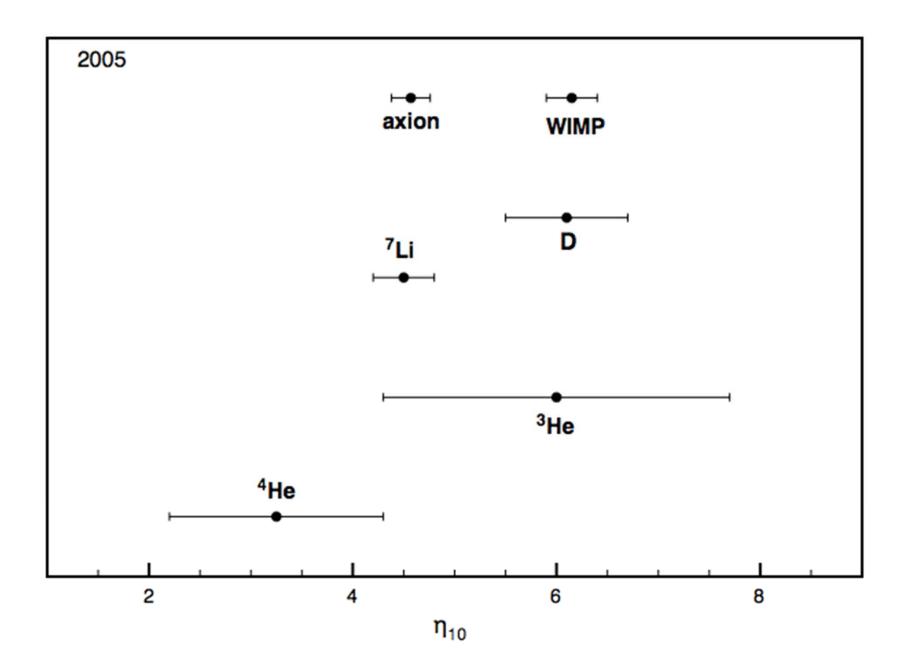
Photons, baryons and axions all reach the same temperature before decoupling

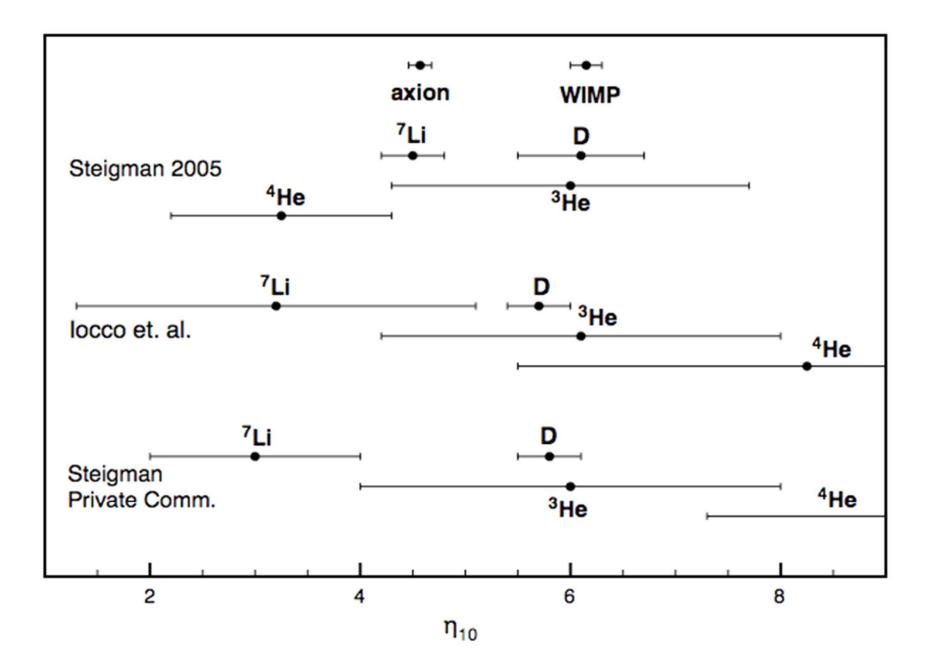
photons cool 
$$T_{\gamma,{
m f}}~=~0.904~T_{\gamma,{
m i}}$$

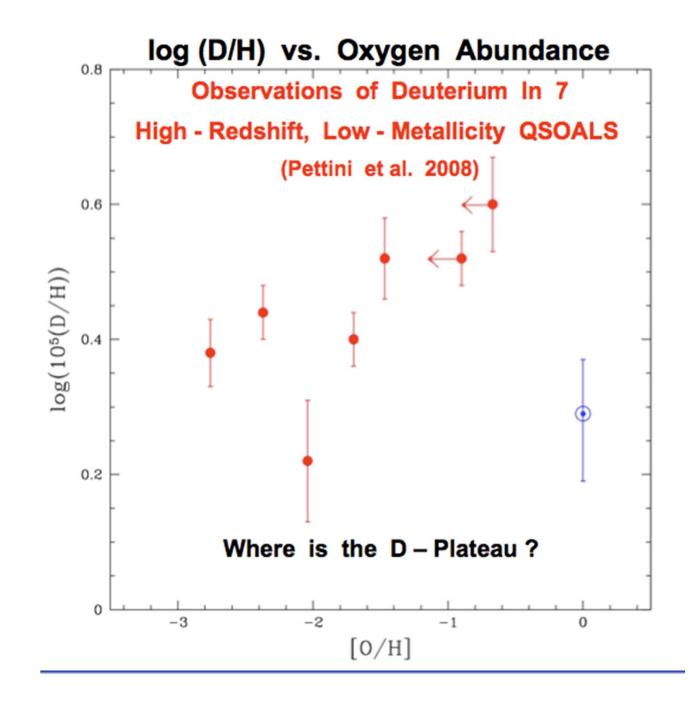
baryon to photon ratio  $\eta_{\rm BBN}~=~0.738~\eta_{\rm WMAP}$ 

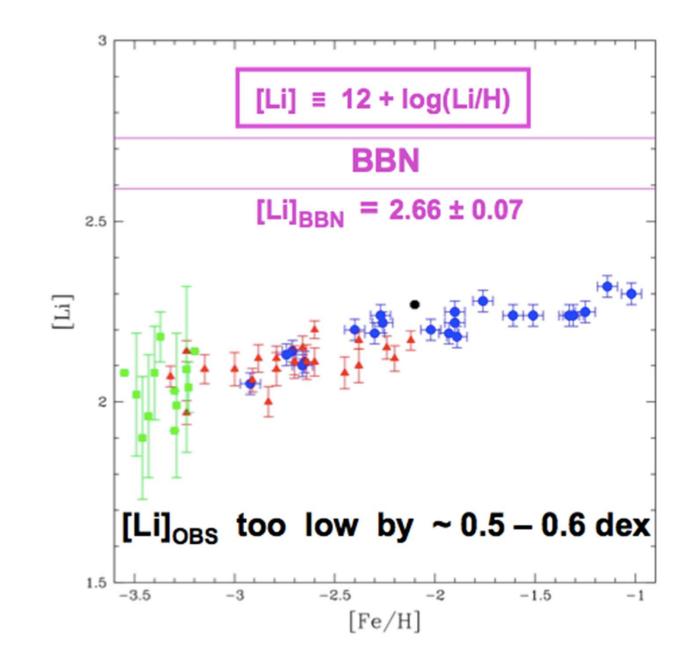
effective number of neutrinos

 $N_{\nu, \text{eff}} = 6.7$ 









#### Effective number of neutrinos

$$\rho_{\rm rad} = \rho_{\gamma} + \rho_a + \rho_{\nu}$$

$$= \rho_{\gamma} \left[ 1 + N_{\rm eff} \frac{7}{8} \left( \frac{4}{11} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} \right]$$
 $N_{\rm eff} = 6.7$ 

WMAP 7 year: $4.34 \pm 0.87$  (68% CL)J. Hamann et al. (SDSS): $4.8 \pm 2.0$  (95% CL)Atacama Cosmology Telescope: $5.3 \pm 1.3$  (68% CL)

we will see ...