Simple self-consistent prediction methods for the phase space of dark matter: from galactic dynamics to phenomenology

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Phase-space distribution of DM & theoretical uncertainties for direct and indirect searches

Direct searches

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}R}{\mathrm{d}E} \propto \rho_{\odot} \int_{v_{\mathrm{min}} \leqslant |\vec{v}| \leqslant v_{\mathrm{esc}}} \frac{f_{\odot}(\vec{v})}{|\vec{v}|} \, \mathrm{d}^{3}v$$

Impact at low masses

 $v_{\rm min} \sim v_{\rm esc}$

Speed-dependent annihilation

•
$$\langle \sigma v \rangle(r) \propto \langle v_{\rm r}^2 \rangle \, p$$
-wave
 $\sigma v = \sigma_1 v_{\rm r}^2 \Rightarrow \langle \sigma v \rangle \equiv \langle \sigma v \rangle(r)$

$$\langle \sigma v \rangle(r) = \sigma_1 \int d^3 v_1 d^3 v_2 f_r(\vec{v}_1) f_r(\vec{v}_2) v_r^2$$

•
$$\langle \sigma v \rangle(r) \propto \langle 1/v_r \rangle$$
 or $\langle 1/v_r^2 \rangle$
Sommerfeld enhancement

Primordial black holes

- Gravitational microlensing event rates (EROS, MACHO) $\frac{d\Gamma}{dt} \propto \rho(r) \int v f(\vec{v}, \vec{r}) d^3v$
- Merger rates (gravitational waves)

+ DM substructures (test masses), disruption of stellar binaries

Standard halo model (SHM)

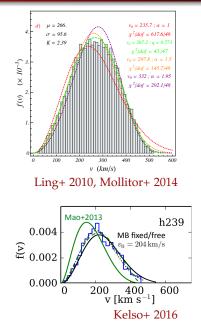
Maxwell-Boltzmann distribution

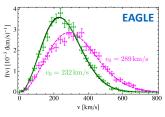
$$f(\vec{v}) = \frac{1}{v_{\rm c}^3 \pi^{3/2}} \,{\rm e}^{-\left(rac{\vec{v}}{v_{\rm c}}
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Oversimplification

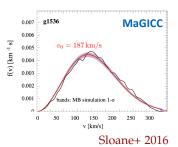
- Isothermal sphere
- Infinite system
- Ad hoc truncation at *v*_{esc}

Standard approaches 2: direct fits to simulations





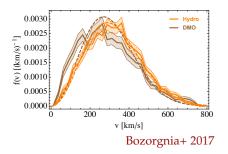
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Standard approaches 2: direct fits to simulations

General insight

Generic features found in simulations (e.g., cusp/cores)



But insufficient approach

- Extrapolations based on fits at 8 kpc
- Peak speed free parameter
 ⇒ not connected to circular
 speed
- MW one particular realization
- MW constrained system (e.g., Gaia)
- Subgrid physics

Self-consistent approach required

Eddington-like methods: next-to-minimal approach

Phase space of dark matter from first principles

Phase-space distribution $f(\vec{v}, \vec{r})$ **: closed system**

• Collisionless Boltzmann equation, steady state

$$\{f,H\} = \vec{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{r}} - \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \vec{r}} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{v}} = 0$$

 \longrightarrow Jeans' theorem: $f \equiv f(I_1, \ldots, I_N)$ where $\{I_i, H\} = 0$

Poisson equation

$$\Delta \Phi = 4\pi G \rho$$
 with $\rho = \int f(\vec{v}, \vec{r}) d^3 v$

Eddington's inversion formula (Eddington 1916)

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Velocity distribution

Central ingredient for observables

$$f_{\vec{v}}(\vec{v},r) \equiv rac{f(\mathcal{E},L)}{
ho_{\mathrm{DM}}(r)}$$

Speed distribution ($v = |\vec{v}|$)

$$f_v(v,r) \equiv v^2 \int \mathrm{d}\Omega_v f_{ec v}(ec v,r)$$

Encapsulates most of the dynamical information

For isotropic distribution

$$f_v(v,r) = rac{4\pi v^2}{
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m DM}(r)} f\left(\Psi(r) - rac{v^2}{2}
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Going beyond spherical symmetry

Angle-action coordinates

- More suitable coordinate system if no spherical symmetry Binney & Tremaine 1987
- Best way to account for complexity revealed by Gaia
- But very cumbersome calculations
- Ansatz for $f(\vec{r}, \vec{v}) \Rightarrow$ theoretical uncertainties
- Level of refinement not necessarily required for DM searches \rightarrow Evaluate astrophysical uncertainties

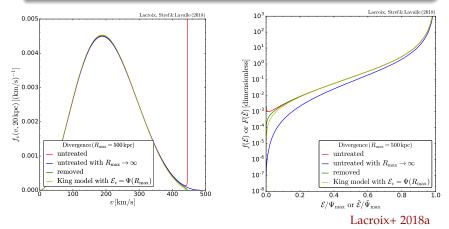
Eddington's formalism

- Lower level of technicalities to account for dynamical constraints
- Method applied blindly to direct searches so far
 - \rightarrow Timely to study validity range in detail

Theoretical consistency and radial boundary

Imposing a radial boundary

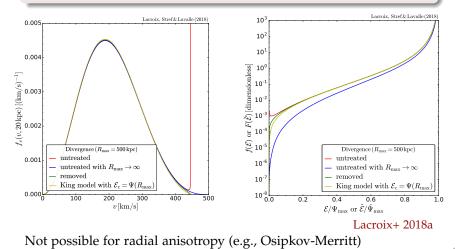
- Finite system $(R_{\text{max}}) \Rightarrow$ divergence of $f(\vec{r}, \vec{v})$ at v_{esc} (from $1/\sqrt{\mathcal{E}}$)
- Phase-space compression
- *v*_{esc} crucial (direct DM searches at low masses, stellar surveys)



Theoretical consistency and radial boundary

Regularization

- Modified profile, flat at *R*_{max}
- Energy cutoff (King)



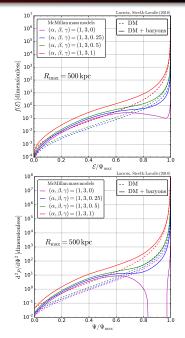
Theoretical consistency: instabilities

Validity range of the method

- Standard criterion:
 f ≥ 0
- Antonov instabilities for some DM-baryon configurations
- Stable solution if $\frac{df}{d\mathcal{E}} > 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{d^2\rho}{d\Psi^2} > 0$ Doremus+ 1971, Kandrup & Sygnet 1985
- Select mass models

Lacroix+ 2018a

For anisotropic systems criteria against radial perturbations only Doremus+ 1973



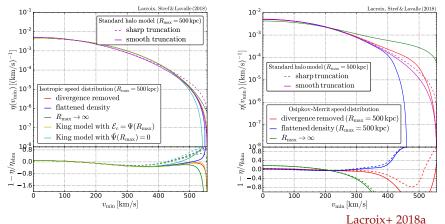
Impact on predictions for direct DM searches

Event rate proportional to

$$\eta(v_{\min}) = \int_{v_{\min} \leqslant v \leqslant v_{\oplus} + v_{esc}} \frac{f_{\vec{v},\oplus}(\vec{v})}{v} \, \mathrm{d}^3 v$$

Isotropic

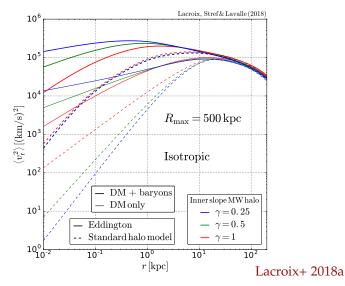
Osipkov-Merritt



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Impact on predictions for indirect DM searches

Prototypical case: p-wave annihilation $\langle \sigma v \rangle(r) \propto \langle v_{\rm r}^2 \rangle$



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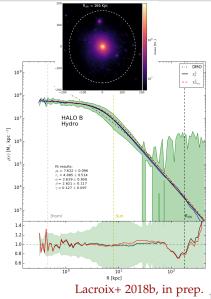
Actual predictivity of Eddington's formalism? Tests with cosmological simulations

Description

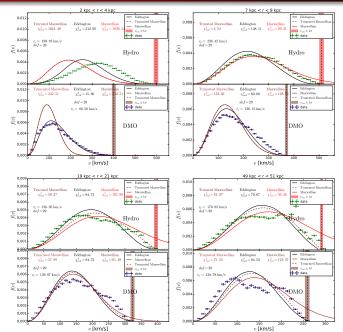
- 2 sets of simulations Mollitor+ 2015 $M_{DM} = 2.3 \times 10^5 M_{\odot}$, Hsml = 150 pc Núñez+ 2018, in prep. $M_{DM} = 1.9 \times 10^5 M_{\odot}$, Hsml = 280 pc
- 20 Mpc boxes + zoom-in
- DM-only + hydro

Procedure

- Fit mass model from simulation $\Rightarrow \rho_{DM}, \rho_B, \Psi = \Psi_{DM} + \Psi_B$
- Input for Eddington's method
- Comparison with simulation outputs

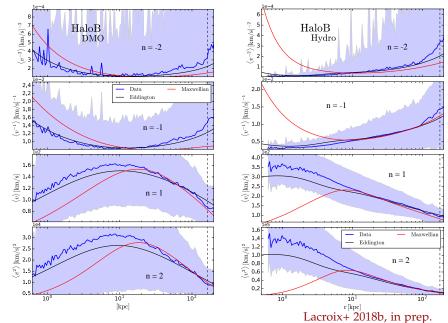


Speed distribution $f_v(v, r)$



Lacroix+ 2018b, in prep.

Moments of the speed distribution

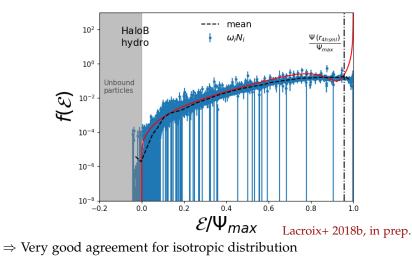


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Full phase-space distribution

Reconstruction from 2D bins *ij* in phase space (r_i, v_j)

$$f(\mathcal{E}) = m \frac{\mathrm{d}^6 N}{\mathrm{d}^3 x \mathrm{d}^3 v} \to f(\mathcal{E})_{ij} = \frac{m}{(4\pi r_i v_j)^2} \frac{N_{ij}}{\Delta r_i \Delta v_j}$$



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Application: constraints on sub-GeV DM from cosmic positrons - *p*-wave annihilation

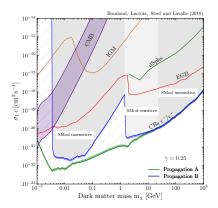
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$$\Rightarrow \psi_{\rm e} \neq \langle \sigma v \rangle \int \rho^2(r) \, {\rm d}^3 r$$

- Very strong *e*⁺ constraints (**Voyager 1**, AMS-02)
- Justifies focusing on Eddington's methods
- Robust w.r.t. uncertainties on anisotropy and propagation



Boudaud+ 2018

Summary

Eddington's inversion method

- A few physical assumptions
- Moderate level of technicalities
- Mass model direct input
- Better control astrophysical uncertainties for DM searches
- Dramatic changes wrt Maxwell-Boltzmann

Self-consistency: theoretical validity range

- Radial boundary (direct searches)
- Positive DF + stability

Actual predictivity?

- Testing the method against cosmological simulations
- Not direct fits!!!
- Preliminary results: Eddington method globally performs much better than SHM Lacroix+ 2018b, in prep.

Thank you for your attention!

