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Dynamical constraints on dark matter in disc galaxies

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Abstract

The Lambda-CDM theory, while very successful at large scales, encounters difficulties on the scale of galaxies. I will review a number of these difficulties, and focus on two of them: 1. the distribution of dark matter in spiral galaxies, i.e. can we unambiguously say that the central parts of spiral galaxies are dominated by baryonic matter and which dynamical constraints can help settle this question?, and 2) the presence of cusps in the dark matter distribution of low surface brightness galaxies.

All are welcome! Tea, coffee, biscuits will be served at 2:45 P.M.

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