

Some gravitational aspects of scalar field dark matter

P. Valageas

IPhT - CEA Saclay

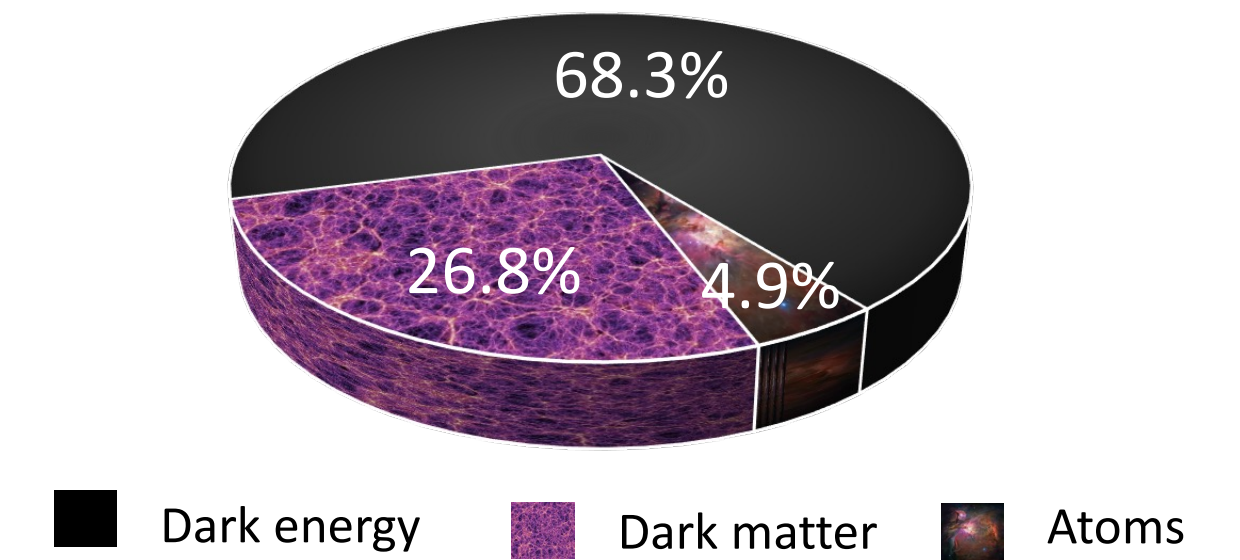
Collaboration with Ph. Brax, A. Boudon, R. Galazo-Garcia, J. Cembranos

I- DARK MATTER

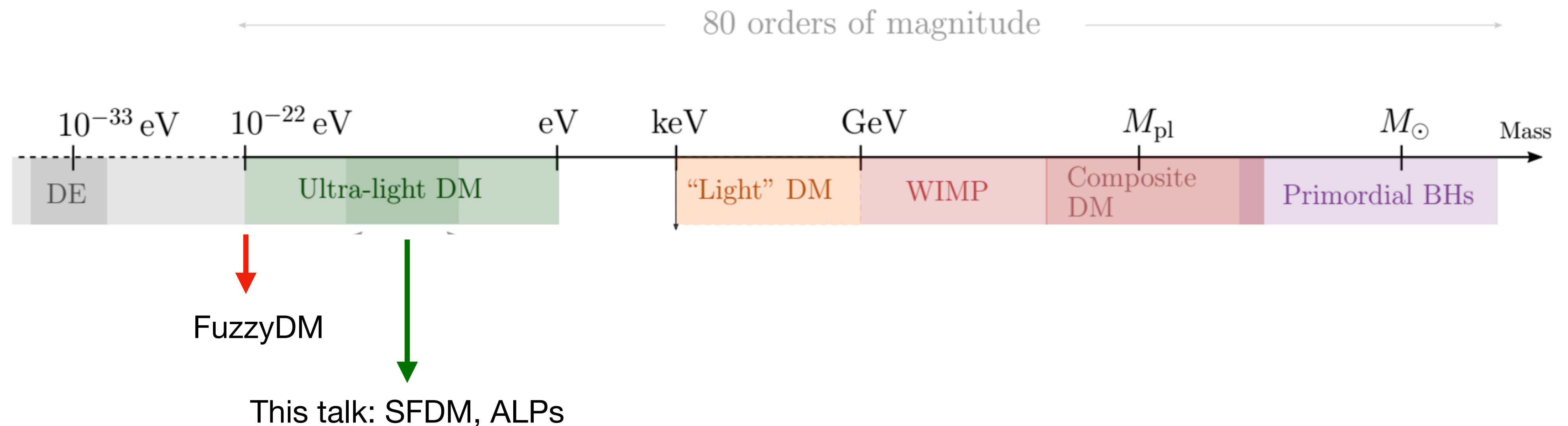
Known properties of DM:

- 27% of the energy density of the universe
- Cold (non-relativistic)
- Dark: small electromagnetic interactions
- Collisionless / pressureless: small self-interactions or interactions with baryons

Energy content of the Universe



However there remains a huge uncertainty on its mass and many scenarios exist, from elementary particles to macroscopic objects:



II- SCALAR-FIELD DARK MATTER

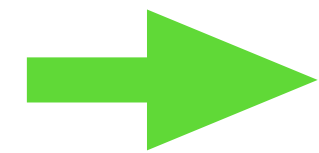
Fuzzy Dark Matter (FDM) + self-interactions

$$S_\phi = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi) \right]$$

$$V(\phi) = \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 + V_I(\phi) \quad \text{with} \quad V_I(\phi) = \frac{\lambda_4}{4} \phi^4, \quad \lambda_4 > 0$$

$$\rho \propto a^{-3}$$

Repulsive self-interaction \rightarrow Effective pressure



One characteristic density / length-scale:

$$\rho_a = \frac{4m^4}{3\lambda_4}, \quad r_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\mathcal{G}\rho_a}}$$

Relativistic regime -
strong self-interaction

Jeans length - Radius of solitons

Very large occupation numbers:

$$N \sim \frac{\rho}{mp^3} \gg 1 \quad m \ll 1 \text{ eV}$$

De Broglie wavelength:

$$\lambda_{\text{dB}} = \frac{2\pi}{mv} \lesssim 1 \text{ kpc} \quad m \gtrsim 10^{-22} \text{ eV}$$

Also, k-essence models:

$$S_\phi = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\Lambda^4 K(X) - \frac{m^2}{2} \phi^2 \right] \quad X = -\frac{1}{2\Lambda^4} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi \quad K(X) = X + K_I(X)$$

Galaxy-scale dynamics:

Formation of DM halos with a flat core

I- NON_RELATIVISTIC REGIME

From Klein-Gordon eq. to Schrödinger eq.:

$$\phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2m}} (e^{-imt}\psi + e^{imt}\psi^*) \quad \longrightarrow \quad i\dot{\psi} = -\frac{\nabla^2\psi}{2m} + m(\Phi_N + \Phi_I)\psi$$

$m \gg \partial$ keep only even terms

$$\nabla^2\Phi_N = 4\pi\mathcal{G}\rho \qquad \Phi_I = \frac{m|\psi|^2}{\rho_a}$$

From Schrödinger eq. to Hydrodynamical eqs (Madelung transformation):

$$\psi = \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{m}} e^{is} \qquad \dot{\rho} + \nabla \cdot (\rho\vec{v}) = 0, \qquad \Phi_I = \frac{\rho}{\rho_a}$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{\nabla s}{m} \qquad \dot{\vec{v}} + (\vec{v} \cdot \nabla)\vec{v} = -\nabla(\Phi_N + \Phi_I) \qquad \gamma = 2$$

effective pressure $P_{\text{eff}} \propto \rho^2$

Neglecting « quantum pressure » (which dominates for FDM):

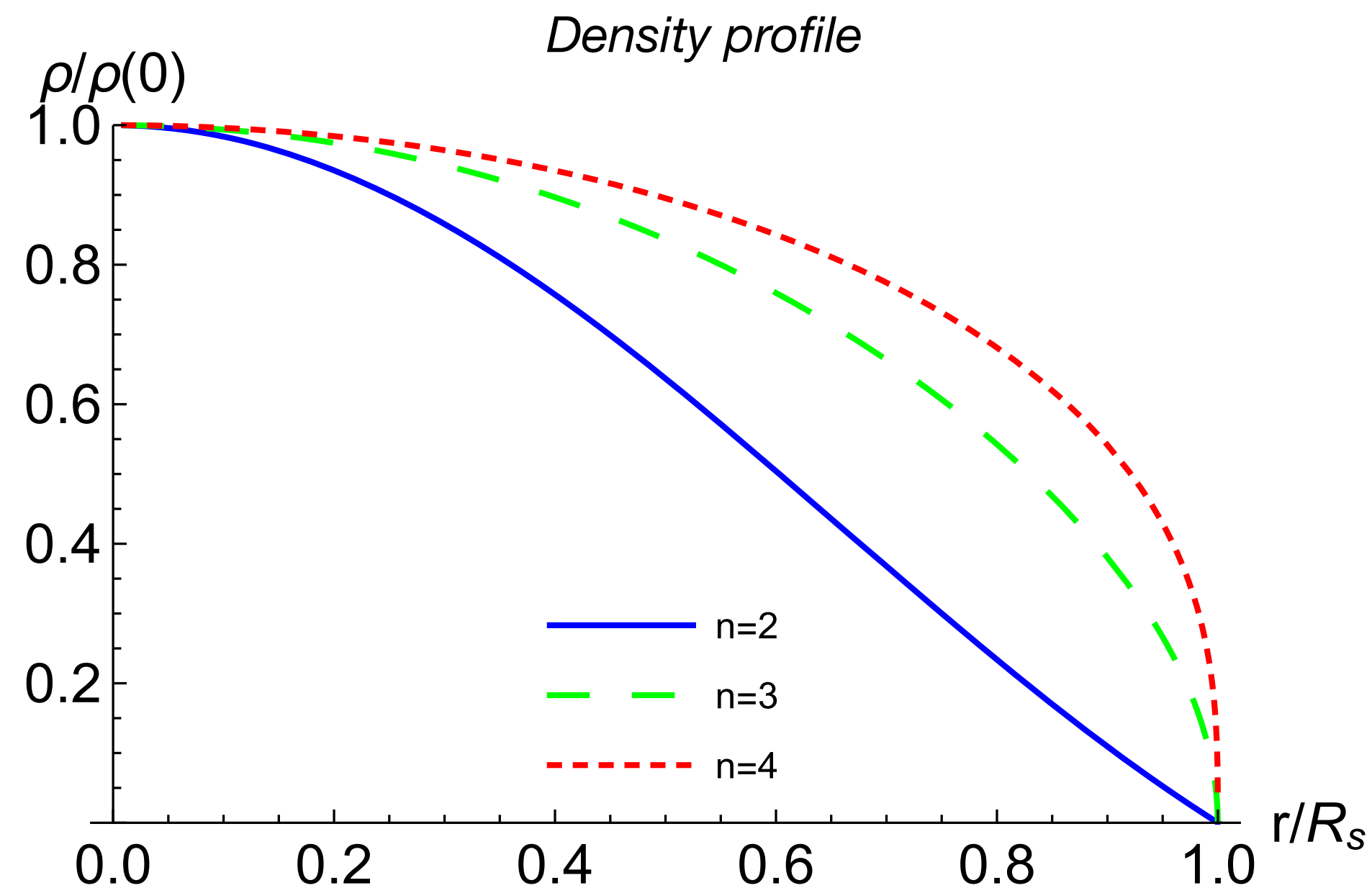
$$\Phi_Q = -\frac{\nabla^2\sqrt{\rho}}{2m^2\sqrt{\rho}} \qquad \text{large-}m \text{ limit}$$

II- SOLITON (ground state): HYDROSTATIC EQUILIBRIUM

As compared with CDM, the self-interactions allow the formation of **hydrostatic equilibrium** solutions, with a balance between gravity and the effective pressure:

$$\nabla(\Phi_N + \Phi_I) = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \rho(r) = \rho_0 \frac{\sin(r/r_a)}{(r/r_a)} \quad R_{\text{sol}} \simeq \pi r_a$$

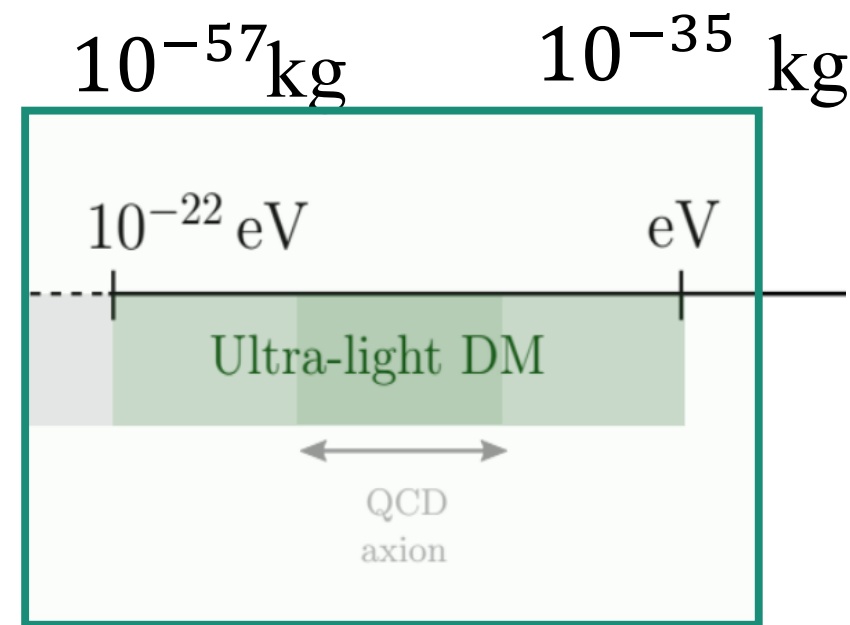
Finite-size halo, called « **soliton** » or « boson star »



$$V_I(\phi) = \Lambda^4 \frac{\lambda_{2n}}{2n} \frac{\phi^{2n}}{\Lambda^{2n}}$$

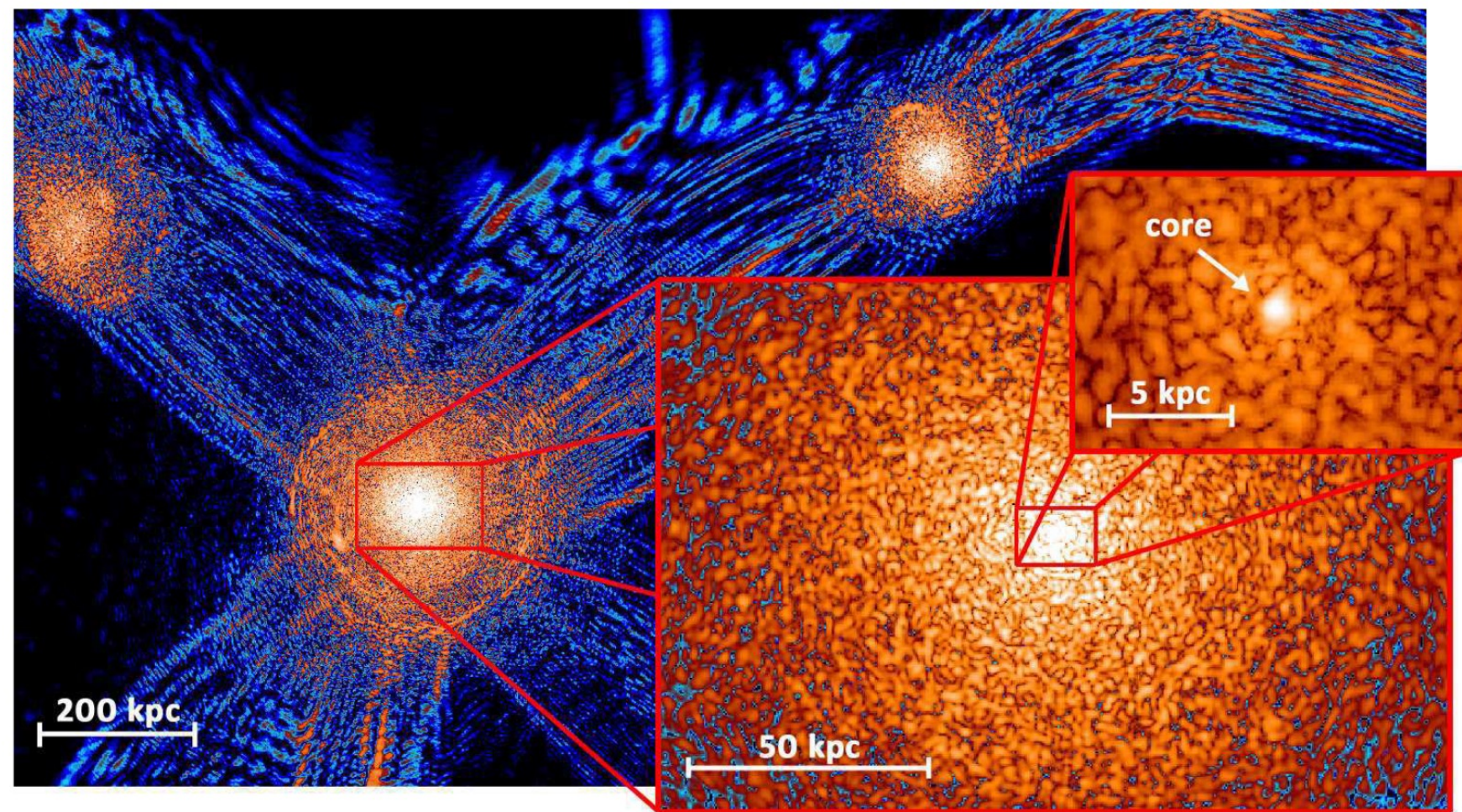
III- SOLITON FORMATION

A) Formation of a FDM soliton inside cosmological halos



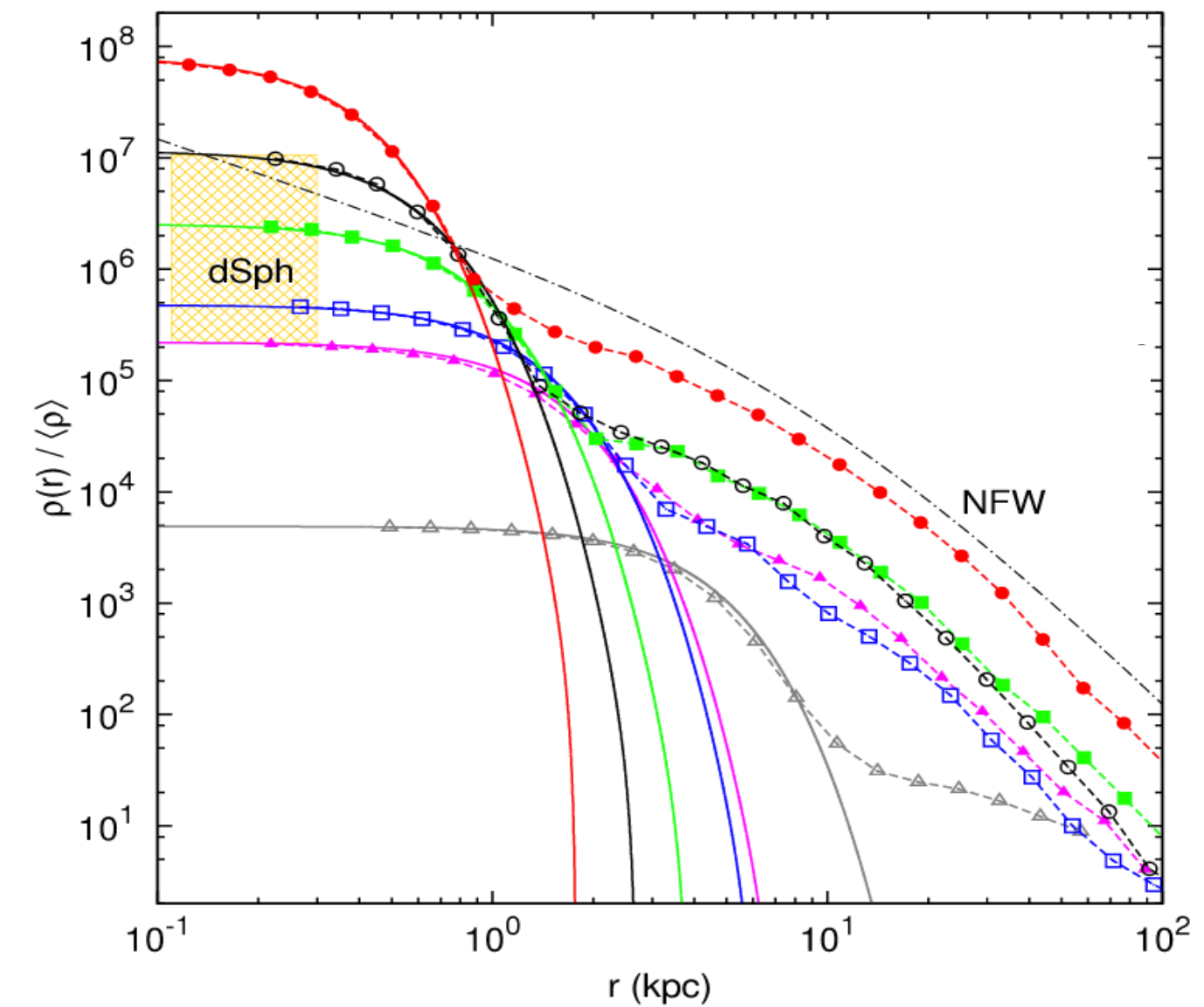
Because of its ultra-light mass \rightarrow Large de Broglie wavelength, $\lambda_{dB} \sim 1/mv$

- $\lambda_{dB} \sim \text{pc} - \text{kpc}$
- Small scales: wavelike behaviour.
- **Solitons:** stable equilibrium configurations \rightarrow **Flat density profile.**



A slice of density field of ψ DM simulation on various scales at $z=0.1$

Schive, Chiueh, and Broadhurst (2014)



Radial density profiles of haloes formed in the ψ DM model

B) Formation of a SFDM soliton inside halos

Initial conditions: halo (+ central soliton): $\psi_{\text{initial}} = \psi_{\text{sol}} + \psi_{\text{halo}}$

$$\rho_{\text{sol}}(r) = \rho_{0\text{sol}} \frac{\sin(\pi r / R_{\text{sol}})}{\pi r / R_{\text{sol}}}, \quad \hat{\psi}_{\text{sol}}(r) = \sqrt{\rho_{\text{sol}}(r)}.$$

Stochastic halo: sum over eigenmodes of the target gravitational potential with random coefficients

$$\psi_{\text{halo}}(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{nlm} a_{nlm} \hat{\psi}_{nlm}(\vec{x}) e^{-iE_{nl}t/\epsilon} \quad - \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \nabla^2 \hat{\psi}_E + \bar{\Phi} \hat{\psi}_E = E \hat{\psi}_E$$

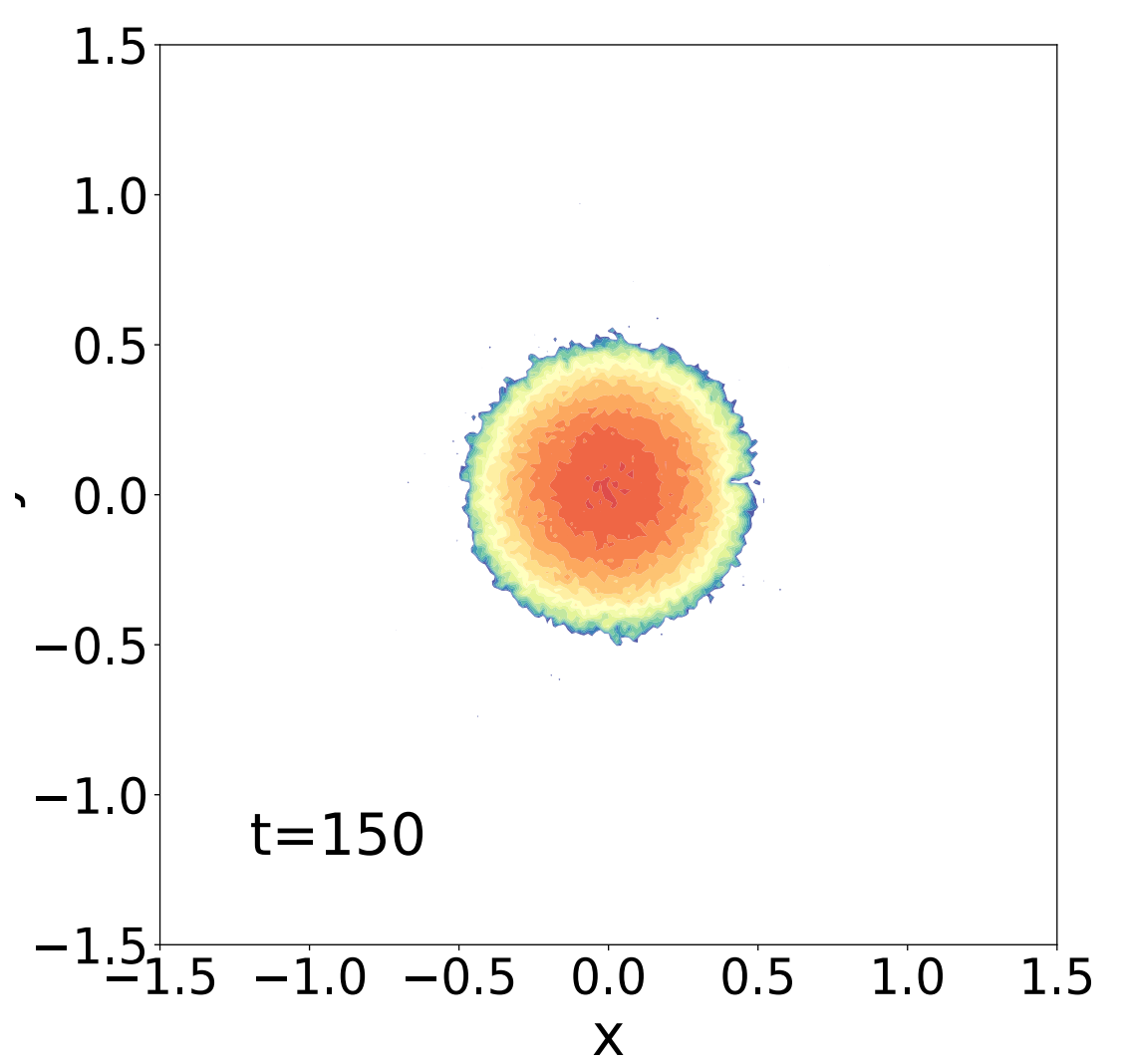
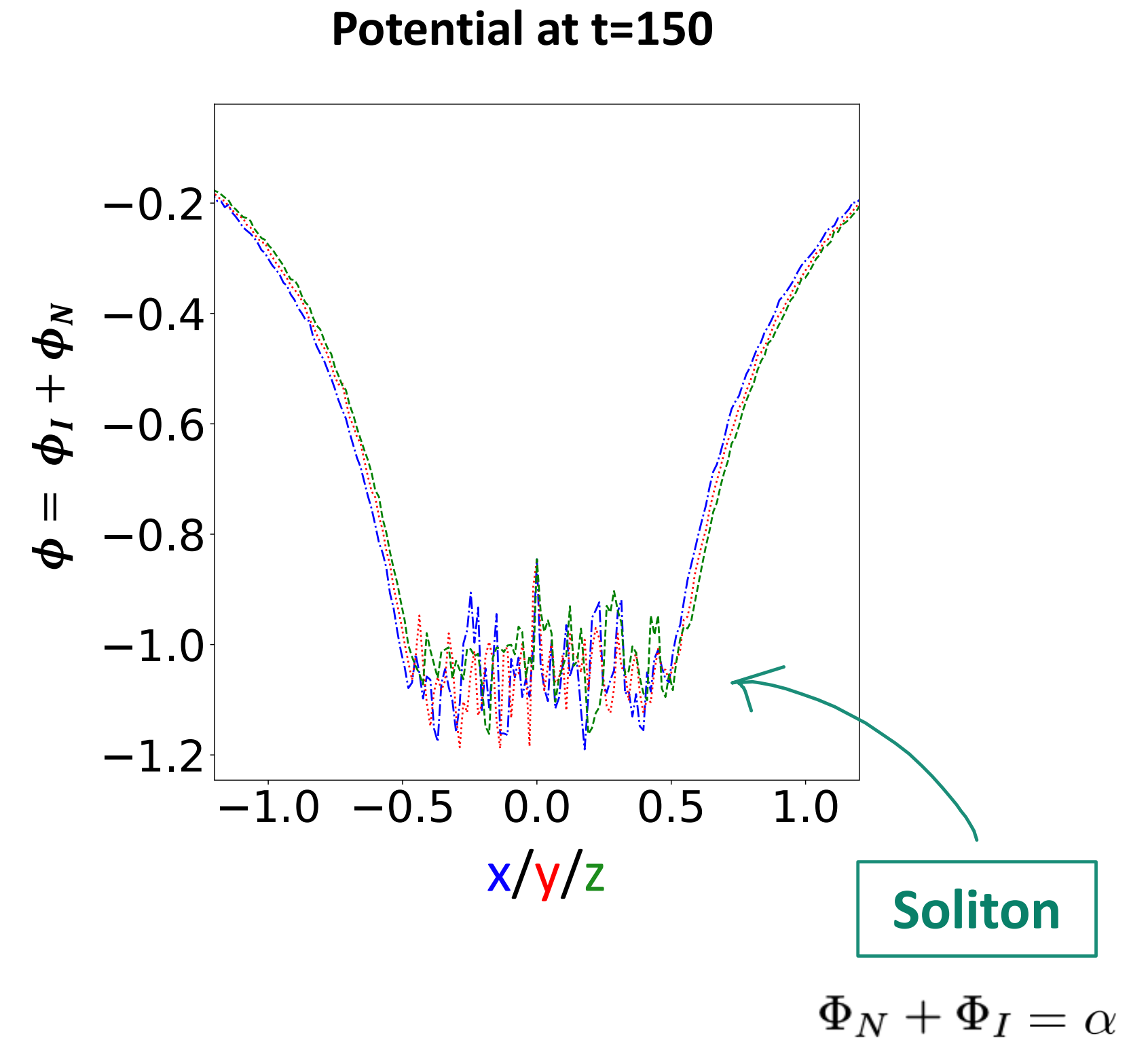
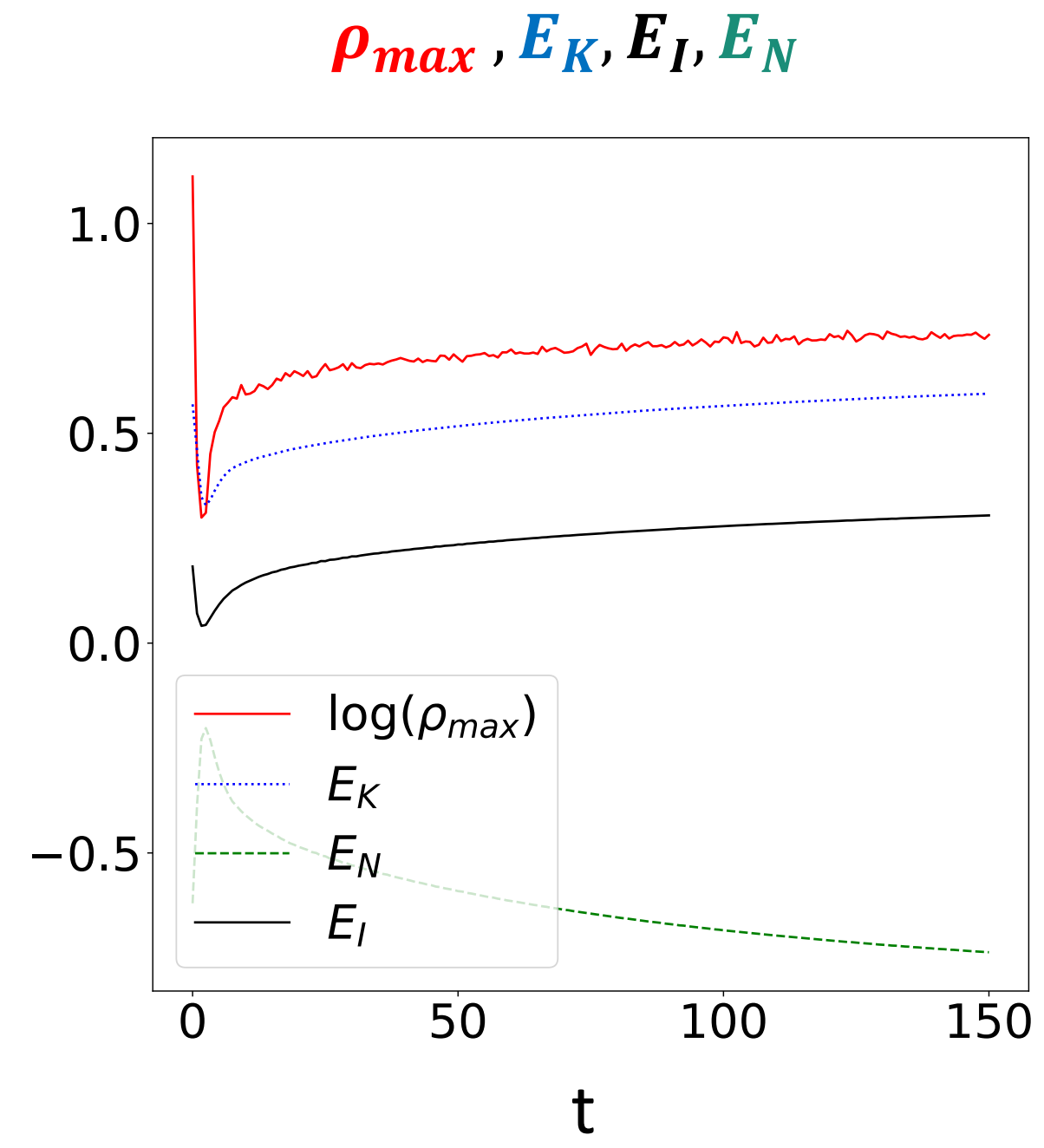
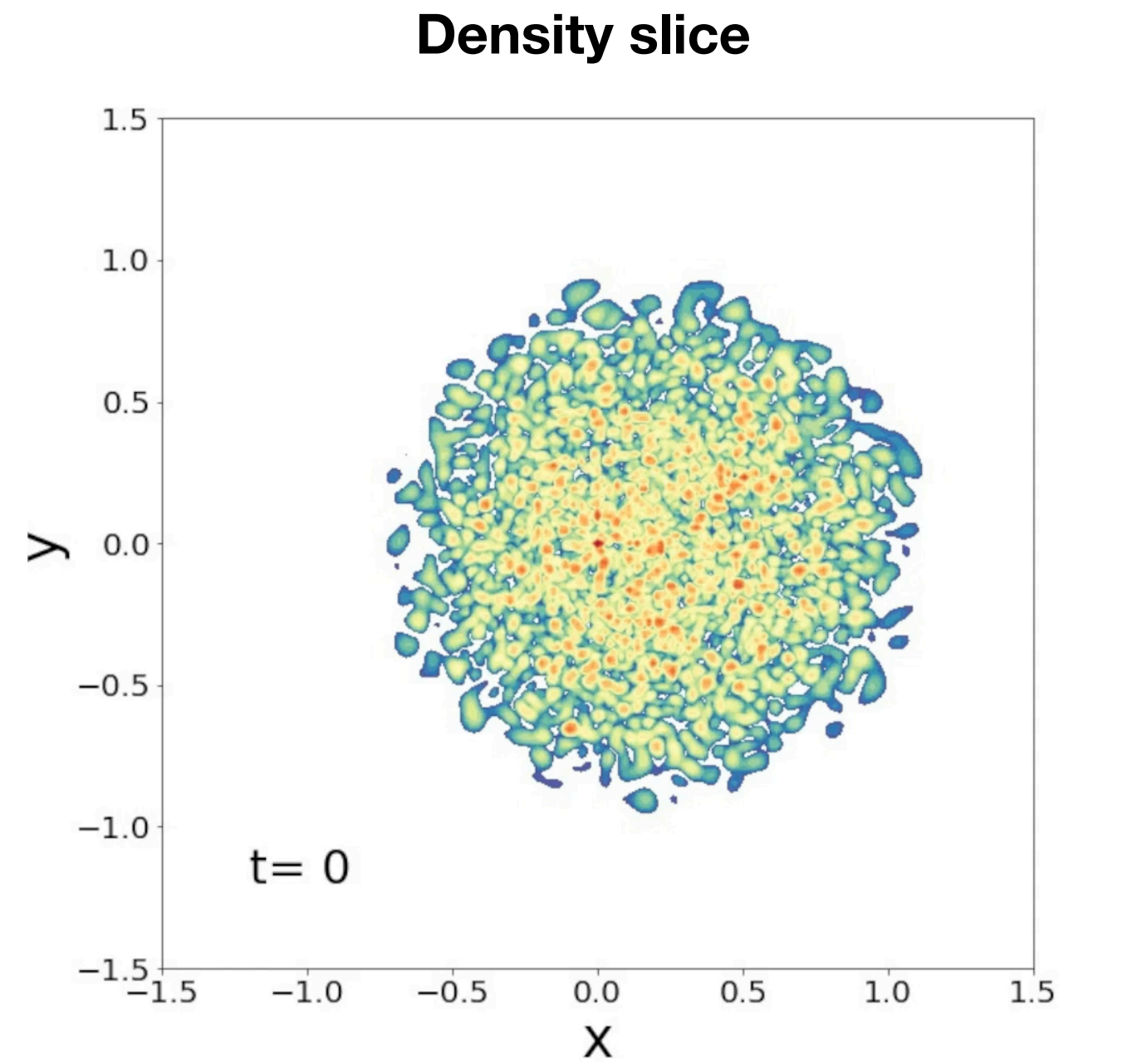
$$a_{nlm} = a(E_{nl}) e^{i\Theta_{nlm}} \quad \bar{\Phi}(r) = \bar{\Phi}_N(r), \quad \nabla^2 \bar{\Phi}_N = 4\pi\bar{\rho}.$$

random phase

$$\langle \rho_{\text{halo}} \rangle = \sum_{nlm} a(E_{nl})^2 |\hat{\psi}_{nlm}|^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad \text{sets } a(E)$$

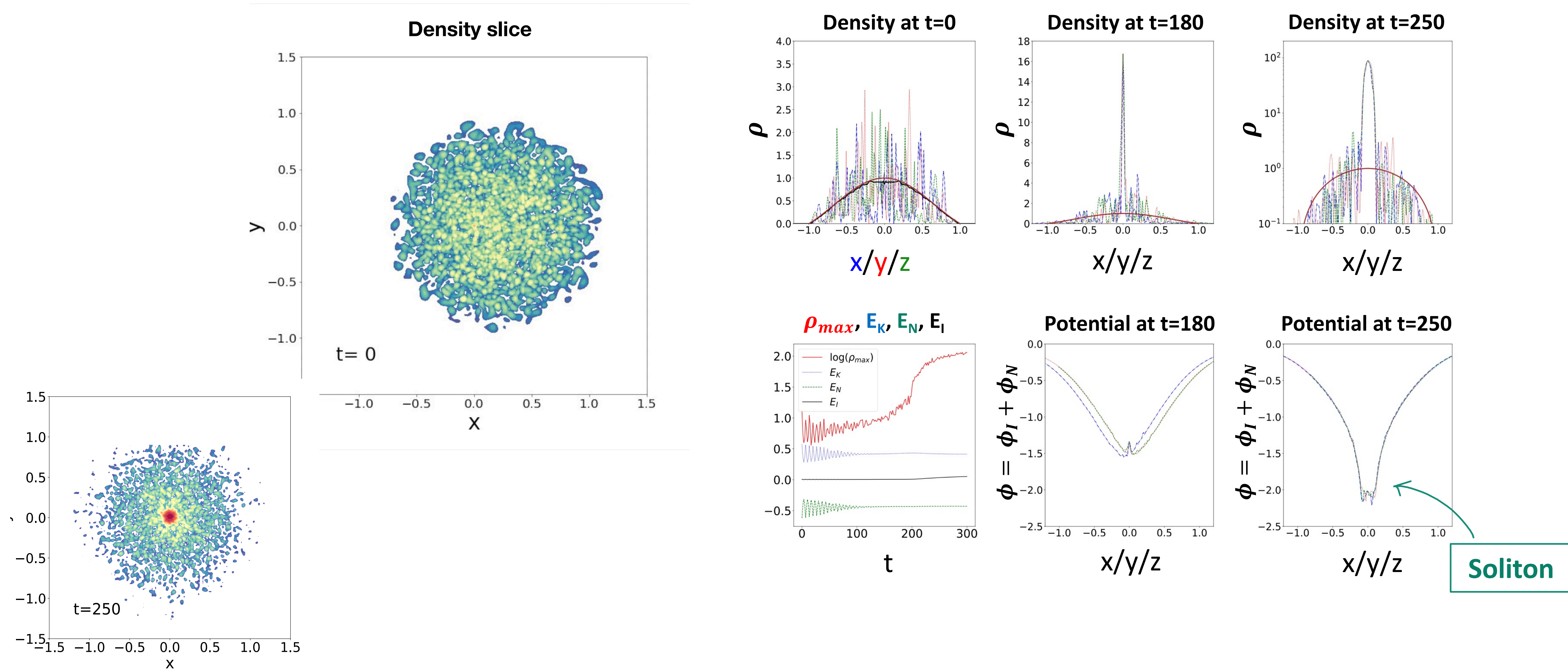
$$a(E)^2 = (2\pi\epsilon)^3 f(E) \quad f(E) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}\pi^2} \frac{d}{dE} \int_E^0 \frac{d\Phi_N}{\sqrt{\Phi_N - E}} \frac{d\rho_{\text{classical}}}{d\Phi_N} \quad (\text{Eddington formula})$$

I) Characteristic scale of the same order as the halo size



- At $t \sim 8$, the soliton is formed with $R_{sol} = 0.5$ and contains about 40% of the total mass.
- The system reaches a quasi-stationary state.
- Afterwards, ρ_{max} and the energies only show a slow evolution.

2) Characteristic scale much smaller than the halo size

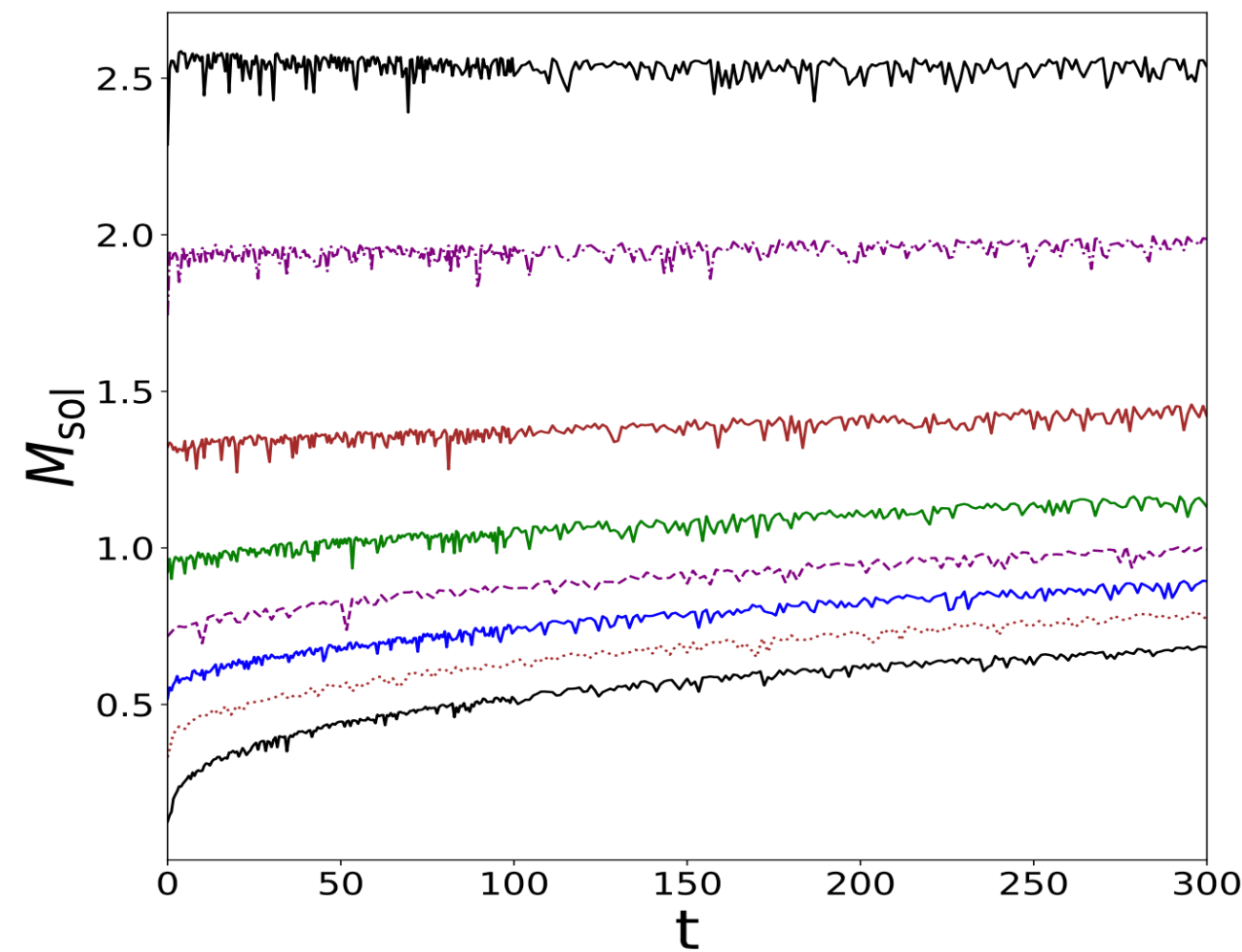


- By $t \sim 100$, the halo relaxes to a quasi-stationary state.
- At $t \sim 180$, FDM peak.
- At $t \sim 200$, self-interacting soliton forms, $R_{sol} = 0.1$.

Transition from a **FDM phase** to a **self-interacting phase**.

C) Dependence of the soliton mass on the formation history

Growth with time of the soliton $M_{\text{sol}}(t)$

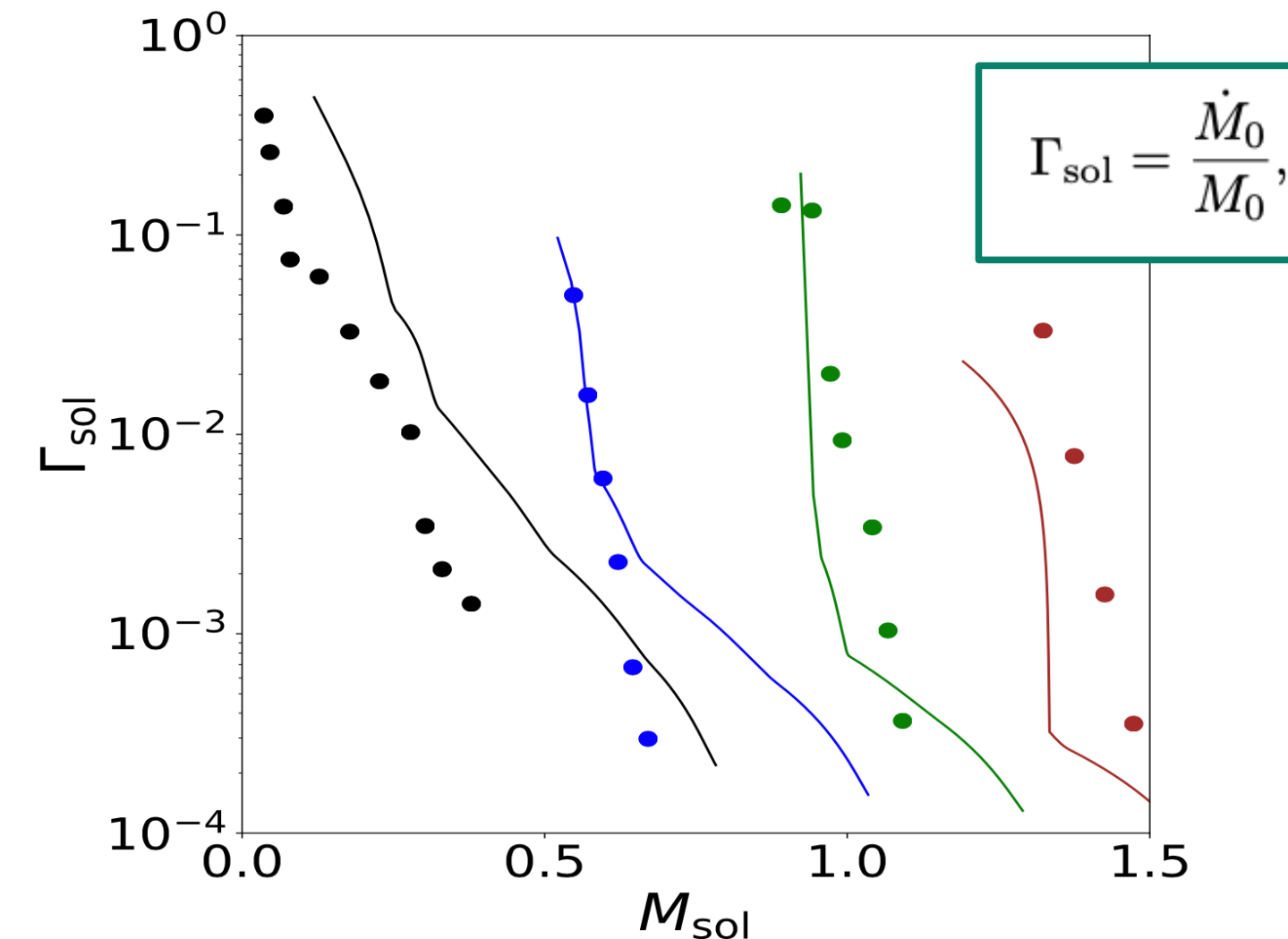


- **The soliton always grows**, with a growth rate that decreases with time.
- The numerical simulations suggest that the central soliton can slowly grow until it makes a large fraction of the total mass of the system, of the order of **40%**.



Probably no well-defined halo-mass/soliton mass relation

Growth rate as a function of M_{sol}



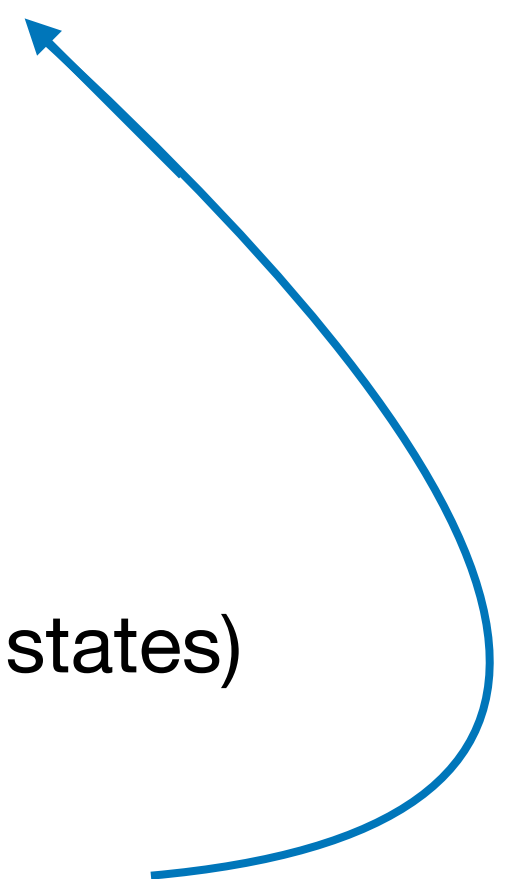
- There is **no clear sign of a scaling regime**, as the growth rate still depends on the initial conditions at late times.
- **Our ansatz underestimate Γ_{sol}** , which remains positive but steadily decreasing in the numerical simulations.

Kinetic theory



Eq. similar to 4-wave systems for the soliton (more complicated for higher states)

$$\dot{M}_0 = \frac{\pi}{\epsilon} \sum_{123} M_0 M_1 M_2 M_3 \delta_D(\omega_{01}^{23}) (V_{02;13} + V_{03;12})^2 \left(\frac{1}{M_0} + \frac{1}{M_1} - \frac{1}{M_2} - \frac{1}{M_3} \right)$$



BH dynamics inside DM solitons:

Accretion, dynamical friction, and GW

I- RADIAL INFALL ONTO A BH

Bondi problem $1 < \gamma < 5/3$

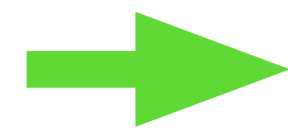
Here: $\gamma = 2$

Relativistic close to BH horizon \rightarrow Klein-Gordon

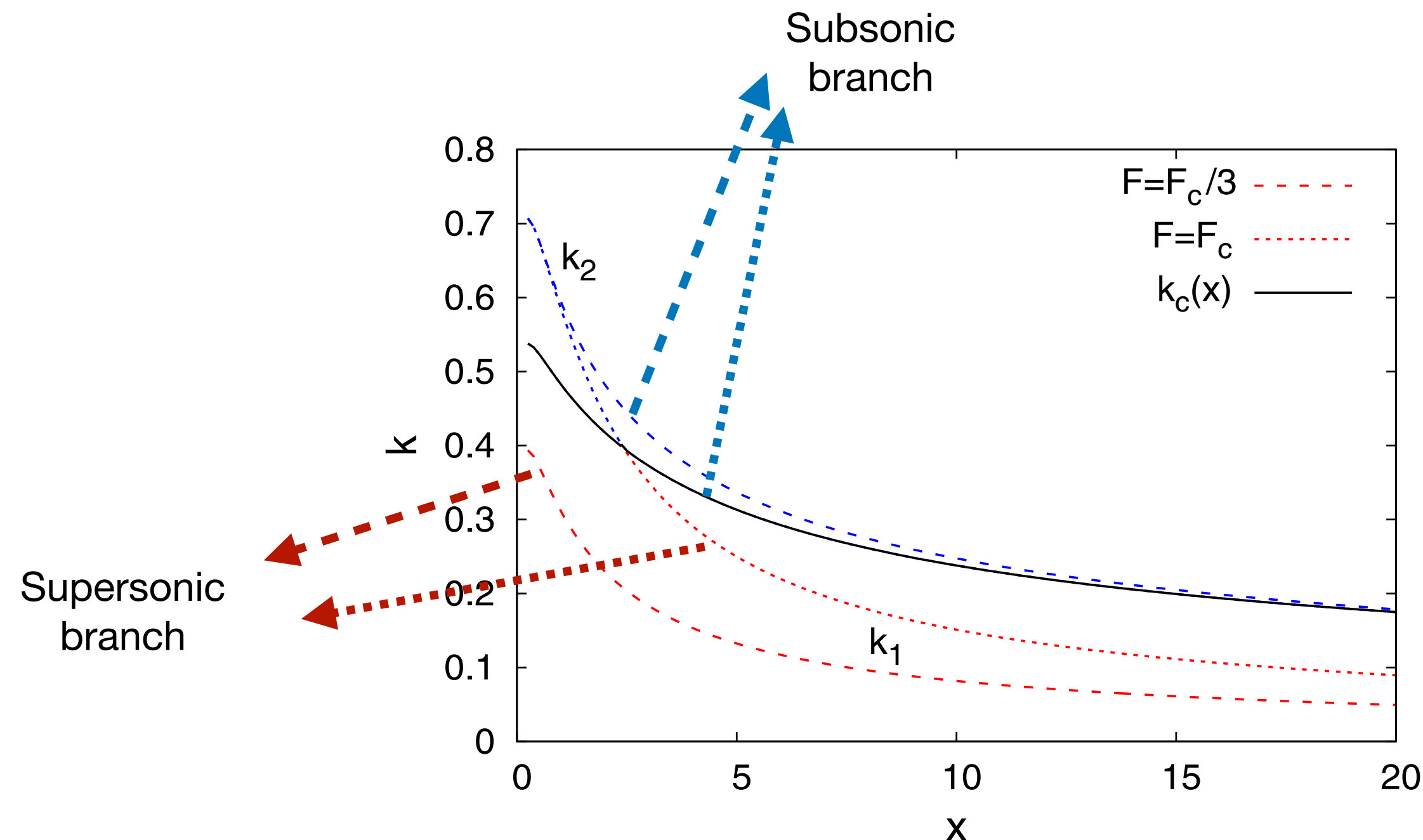
$$\frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2} - \sqrt{\frac{f}{h^3}} \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[\sqrt{f h r^2} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r} \right] + f m^2 \phi + f \lambda_4 \phi^3 = 0.$$

$$\phi = \phi_0(r) \text{cn}[\omega(r)t - \mathbf{K}(r)\beta(r), k(r)]$$

$$m \gg \nabla$$



As for Bondi problem, there is a critical flux where there is a **unique transsonic solution**



$$\dot{M}_{\text{Bondi-Hoyle}} = \frac{2\pi\rho_0\mathcal{G}^2 M_{\text{BH}}^2}{(c_s^2 + v_0^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\dot{m}_{\text{max}} = 3\pi F_\star \rho_a r_s^2 c = \frac{12\pi F_\star \rho_0 \mathcal{G}^2 m_{\text{BH}}^2}{c_s^2 c}$$

relativistic,
much smaller than Bondi

II- LARGE-DISTANCE DOMAIN

Far from the BH: hydrodynamical equations of an **isentropic gas** of effective adiabatic index $\gamma = 2$

Continuity eq. + Euler eq.

Potential flow $\vec{v} = \nabla\beta$

Bernoulli eq.: $\frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2r} + \frac{\rho}{2} = \text{constant}$



BH gravity

effective pressure

Isentropic potential flow eq.:

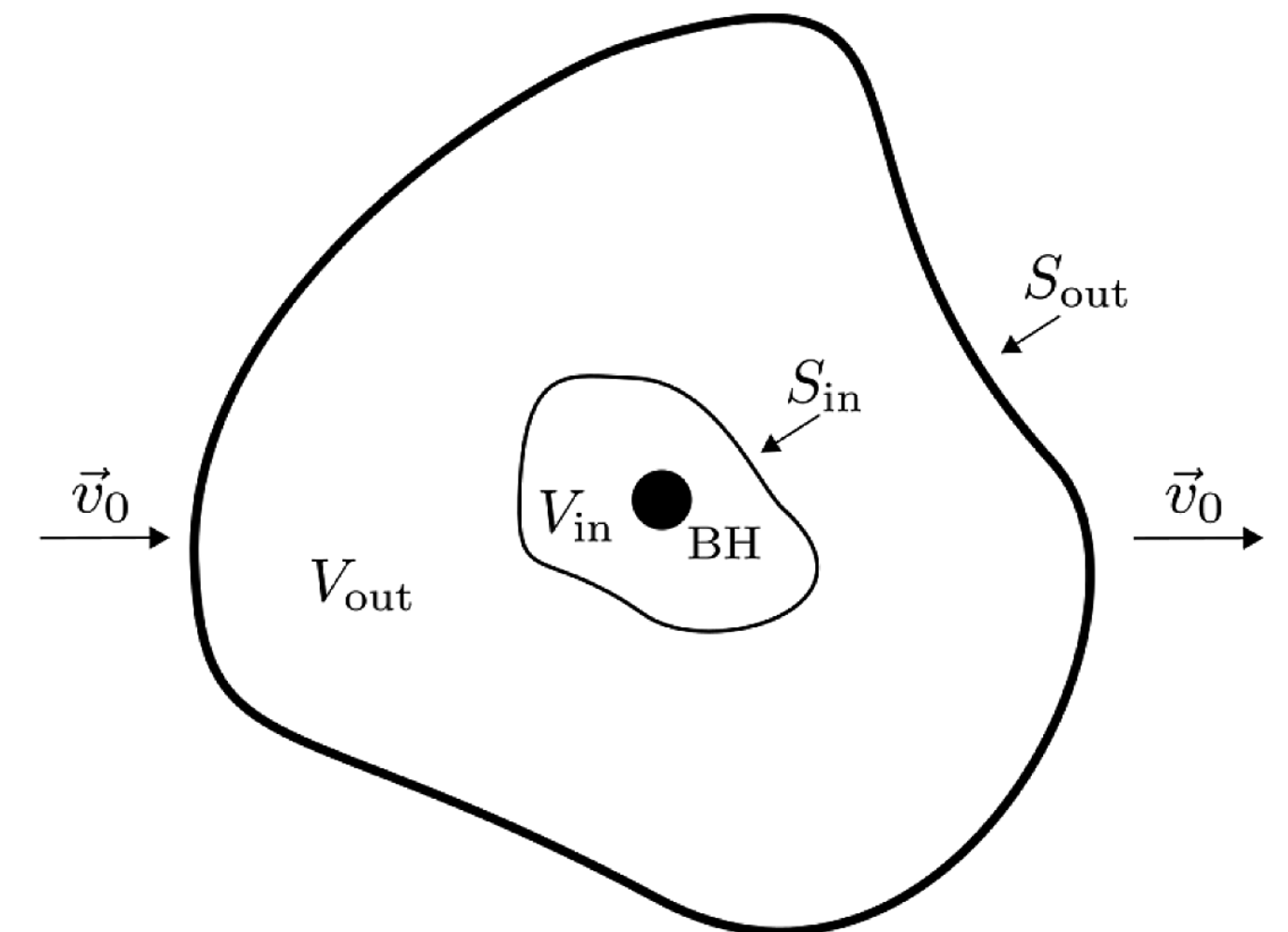
$$\hat{\nabla} \cdot \left[\left(\hat{\rho}_0 + \frac{1}{\hat{r}} + v_0^2 - (\hat{\nabla}\hat{\beta})^2 \right) \hat{\nabla}\hat{\beta} \right] = 0.$$

Steady state, in the BH frame

Conservation of mass and momentum allow us to obtain the mass and momentum flux through any **arbitrarily distant surface**:



Allows us to obtain analytical results from large-distance expansions



Linear deviation from uniform flow:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \delta\beta}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \delta\beta}{\partial y^2} + \left(1 - \frac{v_0^2}{c_{s0}^2}\right) \frac{\partial^2 \delta\beta}{\partial z^2} = \frac{v_0 z}{\rho_0 r^3}$$

subsonic / supersonic regimes

III- SUBSONIC REGIME

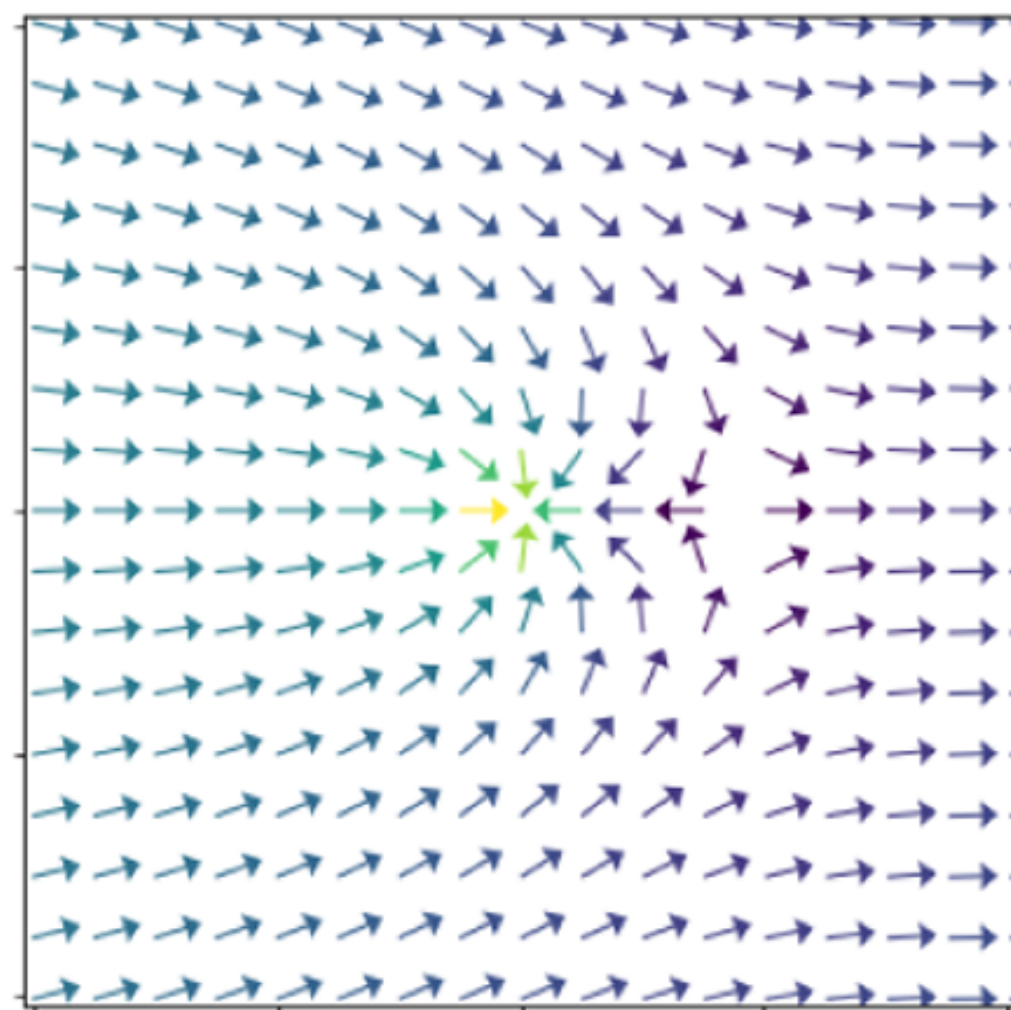
Exact analytical results using a large-distance expansion: $\hat{\beta} = \hat{\beta}_{-1} + \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 + \dots$, with $\hat{\beta}_n \sim \hat{r}^{-n}$

$$\rho_{\text{even}} = \rho_0 + \frac{\mathcal{G}M_{\text{BH}}\rho_0}{c_s \sqrt{(c_s^2 - v_0^2)r^2 + v_0^2 z^2}} + \dots,$$

$$\rho_{\text{odd}} = \frac{4B\rho_0 \mathcal{G}^2 M_{\text{BH}}^2 v_0 c_s z}{[(c_s^2 - v_0^2)r^2 + v_0^2 z^2]^{3/2}} + \dots$$

1 remaining integration constant B

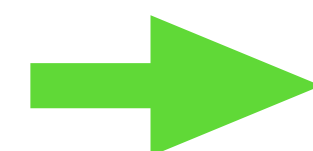
Velocity field (v)



Conservation of mass: B in terms of \dot{m}_{BH}

Conservation of momentum:

$$F_z = \frac{dp_z}{dt} = - \int_{S_{\text{out}}} \overrightarrow{dS} \cdot \rho \vec{v} v_z - \int_{S_{\text{out}}} \overrightarrow{dS} \cdot P \vec{e}_z$$



Accretion drag force, no dynamical friction

(d'Alembert paradox)

IV- SUPERSONIC REGIME

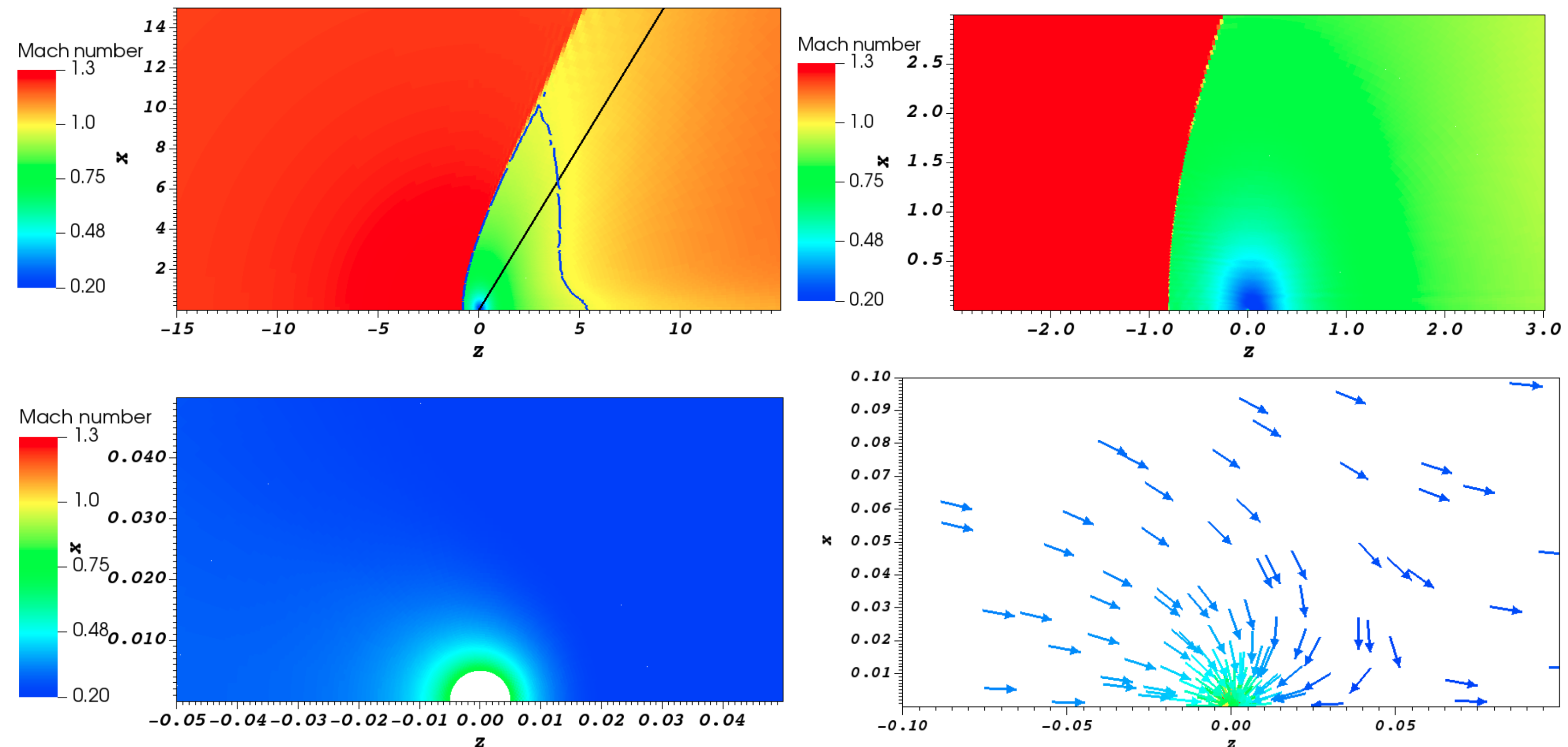
A) Moderate Mach numbers

$$v_0 < \frac{c_{s0}^{2/3}}{(3F_\star)^{1/3}} : \dot{M}_{\text{BH}} = \frac{12\pi F_\star \rho_0 \mathcal{G}^2 M_{\text{BH}}^2}{c_{s0}^2}$$

Max. radial accretion rate

Shock front upstream of the BH, radial accretion close to the BH

3 maps of the Mach number (3 zoom-in onto the BH) and 1 map of the velocity field



B) High Mach numbers

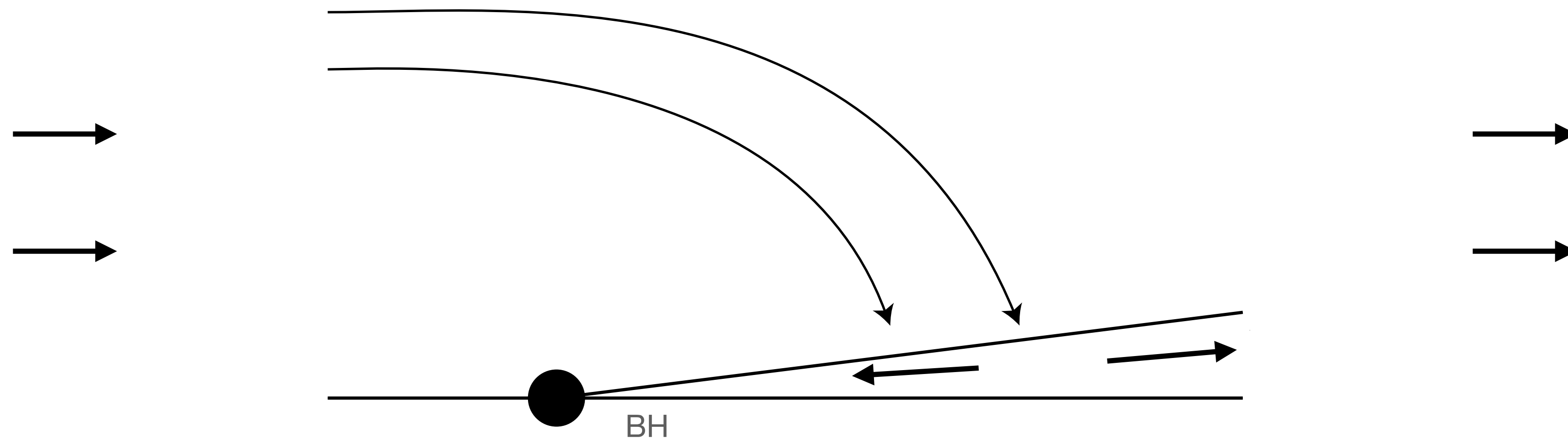
$$v_0 > \frac{c_{s0}^{2/3}}{(3F_\star)^{1/3}} : \dot{M}_{\text{BH}} = \frac{4\pi\rho_0\mathcal{G}^2 M_{\text{BH}}^2}{v_0^3}$$

BHL accretion rate

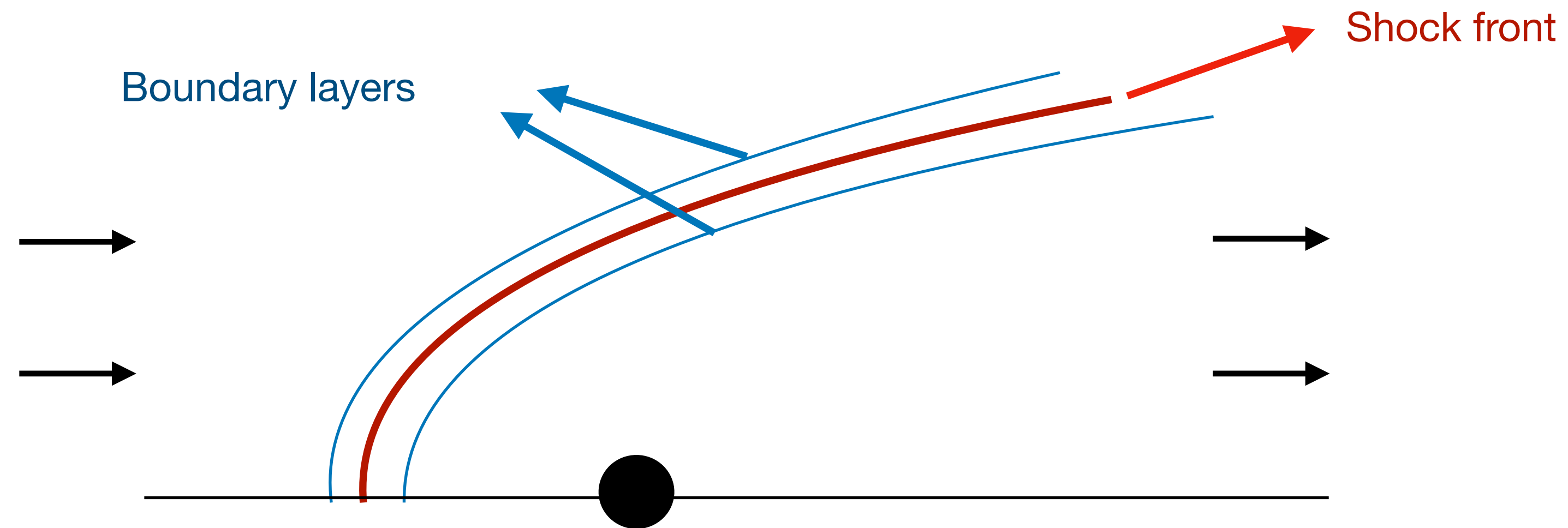
Bondi-Hoyle-Lyttleton accretion mode

Edgar (2004)

BH frame: incoming dark matter fluid, accretion column at the rear



C) Exact analytical results using large-distance expansions:



$$u = \cos \theta$$

In the bulk, upstream: $\hat{\beta} = v_0 r u + a \ln(r) + f_0(u) + \frac{f_1(u)}{r} + \dots$

In the bulk, downstream: $\hat{\beta} = v_0 r u + a \ln(r) + f_0(u) + \frac{f_1(u) + g_1(u) \ln(r)}{r} + \dots$

In the boundary layers: $\hat{\beta} = v_0 \hat{r} u - \frac{1}{2v_0} \ln[\hat{r}(1 - u_c)] + \frac{F_1(U)}{\hat{r}^{1/3}} + \frac{F_2(U)}{\hat{r}^{2/3}} + \frac{F_3(U) + \mathcal{F}_3(U) \ln \hat{r}}{\hat{r}} + \dots$

$$U = \hat{r}^{2/3} [u - u_s(\hat{r})]$$

D) Dynamical friction

Again, use **conservation of mass and momentum**:

$$F_z = \dot{M}_{\text{BH}} v_0 + \frac{8\pi\rho_0\mathcal{G}^2 M_{\text{BH}}^2}{3v_0^2} \ln\left(\frac{r_a}{r_{\text{UV}}}\right)$$

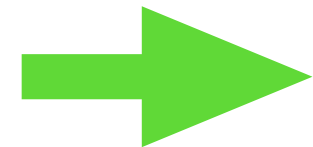
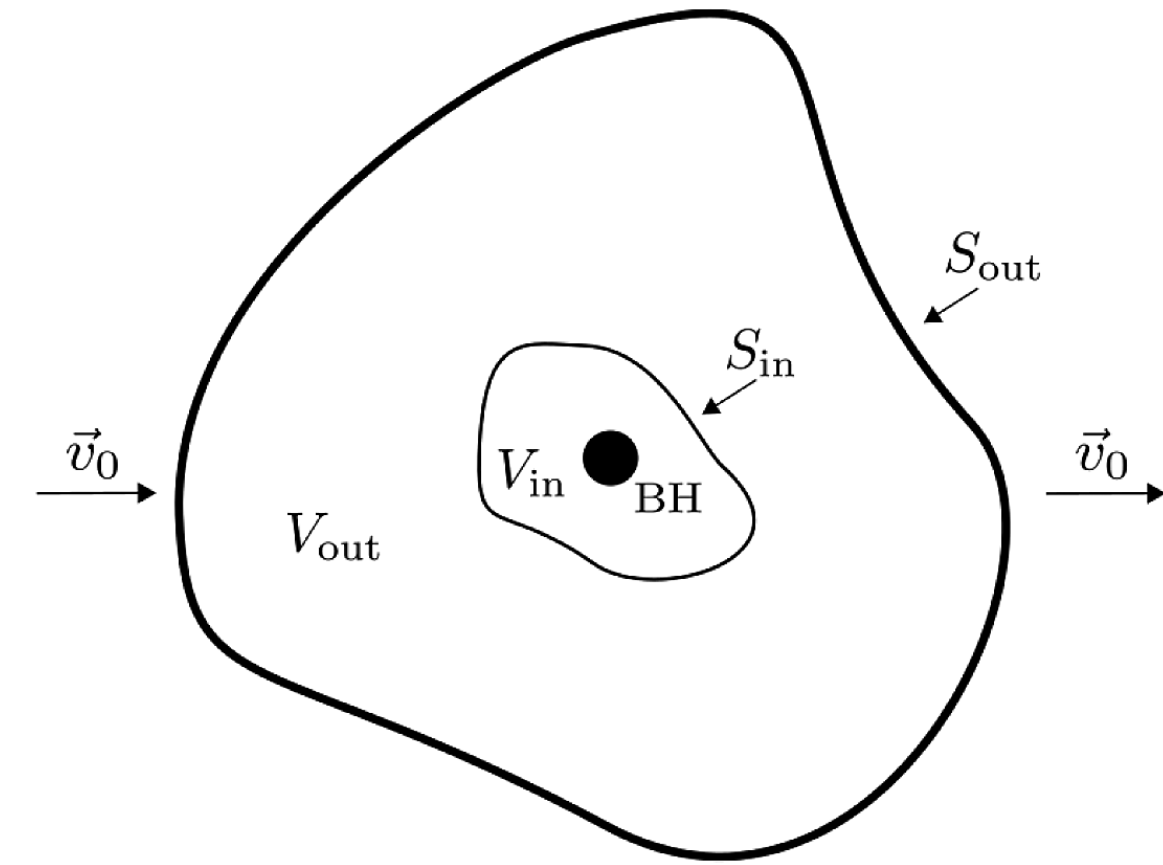
↓
Accretion
drag

↓
Dynamical
friction

2/3 **smaller than Chandrasekhar's** expression

UV cutoff greater than b_{min} and set by the self-interactions:

$$r_{\text{UV}} = 6\sqrt{\frac{2}{e}} \frac{\mathcal{G}m_{\text{BH}}}{c_s^2} \left(\frac{c_s}{v_{\text{BH}}}\right)^{3/2}$$



$$r_{\text{UV}} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{18}{e}} r_{\text{sg}} \mathcal{M}_0^{-3/2}$$

$$r_{\text{sg}} = \frac{r_s}{c_{s0}^2}, \quad c_{s0}^2 = \frac{\rho_0}{\rho_a}$$

V- GRAVITATIONAL WAVES EMITTED BY A BH BINARY INSIDE A SCALAR CLOUD

A) Additional forces on the BHs due to the dark matter environment

Gravity of the dark matter cloud:

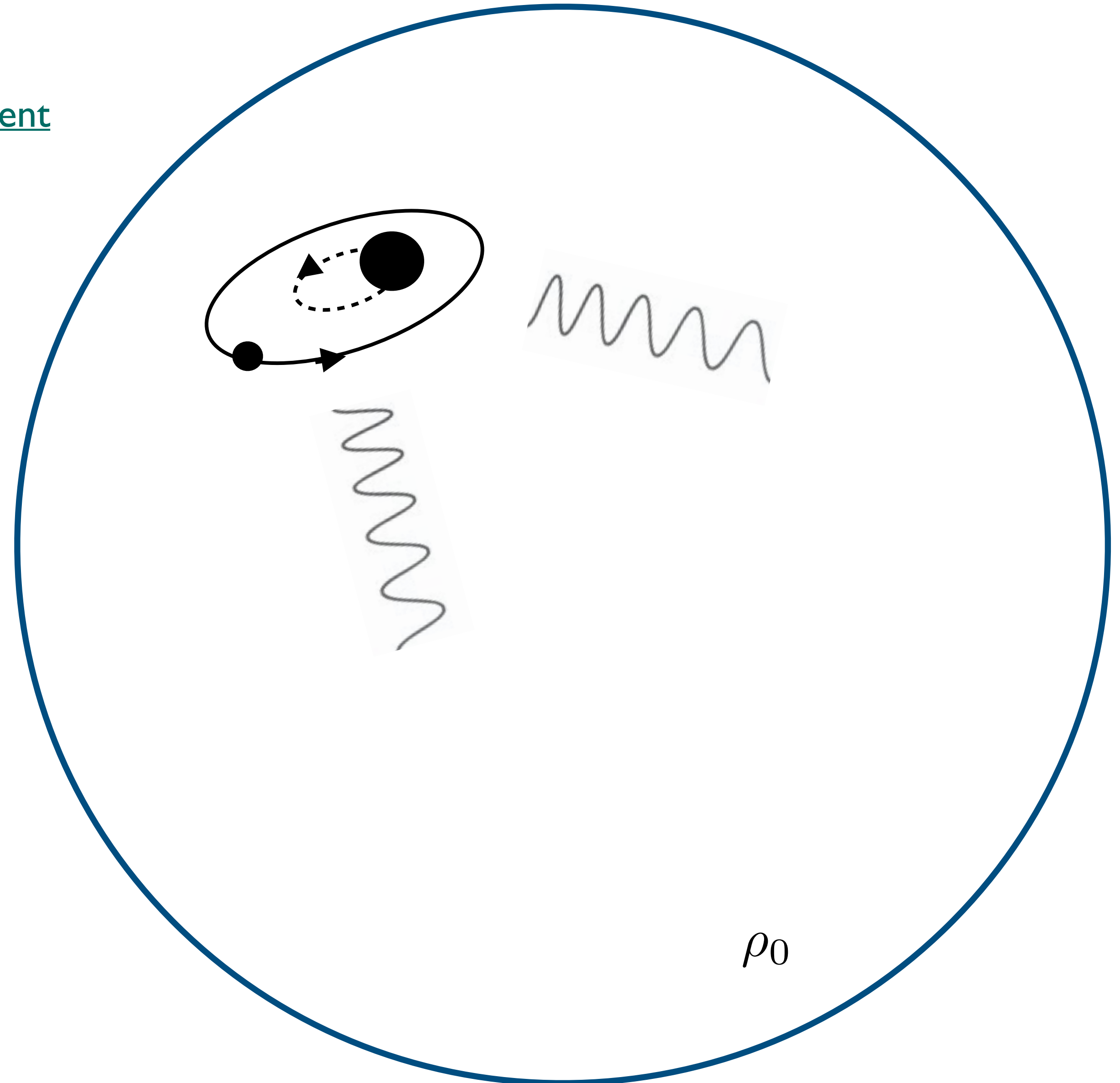
$$m_{\text{BH}} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\text{BH}}|_{\text{halo}} = -\frac{4\pi}{3} \mathcal{G} m_{\text{BH}} \rho_0 (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$$

Accretion drag:

$$m_{\text{BH}} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\text{BH}}|_{\text{acc}} = -\dot{m}_{\text{BH}} \mathbf{v}_{\text{BH}}$$

Dynamical friction:

$$m_{\text{BH}} \dot{\mathbf{v}}_{\text{BH}}|_{\text{df}} = -\frac{8\pi \mathcal{G}^2 m_{\text{BH}}^2 \rho_0}{3v_{\text{BH}}^3} \ln \left(\frac{r_{\text{IR}}}{r_{\text{UV}}} \right) \mathbf{v}_{\text{BH}}$$



B) Decay of the orbital radius

$$\langle \dot{a} \rangle = \langle \dot{a} \rangle_{\text{acc}} + \langle \dot{a} \rangle_{\text{df}} + \langle \dot{a} \rangle_{\text{gw}}$$

$$\langle \dot{a} \rangle_{\text{gw}} = -\frac{64\nu\mathcal{G}^3 m^3}{5c^5 a^3} \left(1 - \frac{4\pi\rho_0 a^3}{3m} \right)$$

Correction due to the halo bulk gravity

$$\langle \dot{a} \rangle_{\text{acc}} = -aA_{\text{acc}} - a \left(\frac{a}{\mathcal{G}m} \right)^{3/2} B_{\text{acc}}$$

Accretion drag

$$\langle \dot{a} \rangle_{\text{df}} = -a \left(\frac{a}{\mathcal{G}m} \right)^{3/2} \left[B_{\text{df}} + C_{\text{df}} \ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{G}m}{a}} \frac{1}{c_s} \right) \right]$$

Dynamical friction

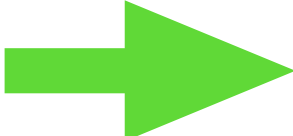
C) Phase of the gravitational waveform

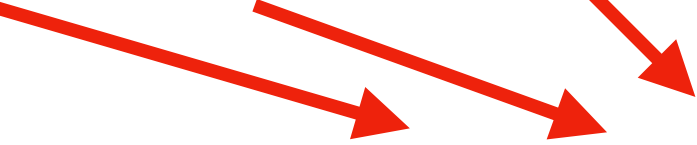
GW frequency:
$$\dot{f} = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{G}m}{a^3}} \left(1 + \frac{2\pi\rho_0 a^3}{3m} \right)$$

Frequency drift:
$$\dot{\dot{f}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{G}m}{a^3}} \left(\frac{\dot{m}}{2m} - \frac{3\dot{a}}{2a} \right) + \mathcal{G}\rho_0 \left(\frac{a^3}{\mathcal{G}m} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$$

Phase: $\Phi(t) = 2\pi \int d\dot{f} (f/\dot{f})$ Time: $t = \int d\dot{f} (1/\dot{f})$

Fourier transform of the GW signal: $\tilde{h}(f) = \mathcal{A}(f) e^{i\Psi(f)}$


 Phase: $\Psi(f) = 2\pi f t_c - \Phi_c - \frac{\pi}{4} + \Psi_{\text{gw}} + \Psi_{\text{halo}} + \Psi_{\text{acc}} + \Psi_{\text{df}}$


 DM corrections

$$\Psi_{\text{gw}} = \frac{3}{128} \left(\frac{\pi \mathcal{G} M f}{c^3} \right)^{-5/3} \left[1 + \frac{20}{9} \left(\frac{743}{336} + \frac{11}{4} \nu \right) \left(\frac{\pi \mathcal{G} m f}{c^3} \right)^{2/3} \right] \quad \text{O} + 1 \text{ PN}$$

$\Psi_{\text{halo}} \quad -3 \text{ PN}$

$\Psi_{\text{acc}} \quad -4.5 / -5.5 \text{ PN}$

$\Psi_{\text{df}} \quad -5.5 \text{ PN}$

D) Region in the parameter space that can be detected

ρ_0 halo bulk density

$$\rho_a = \frac{4m^4}{3\lambda_4}$$

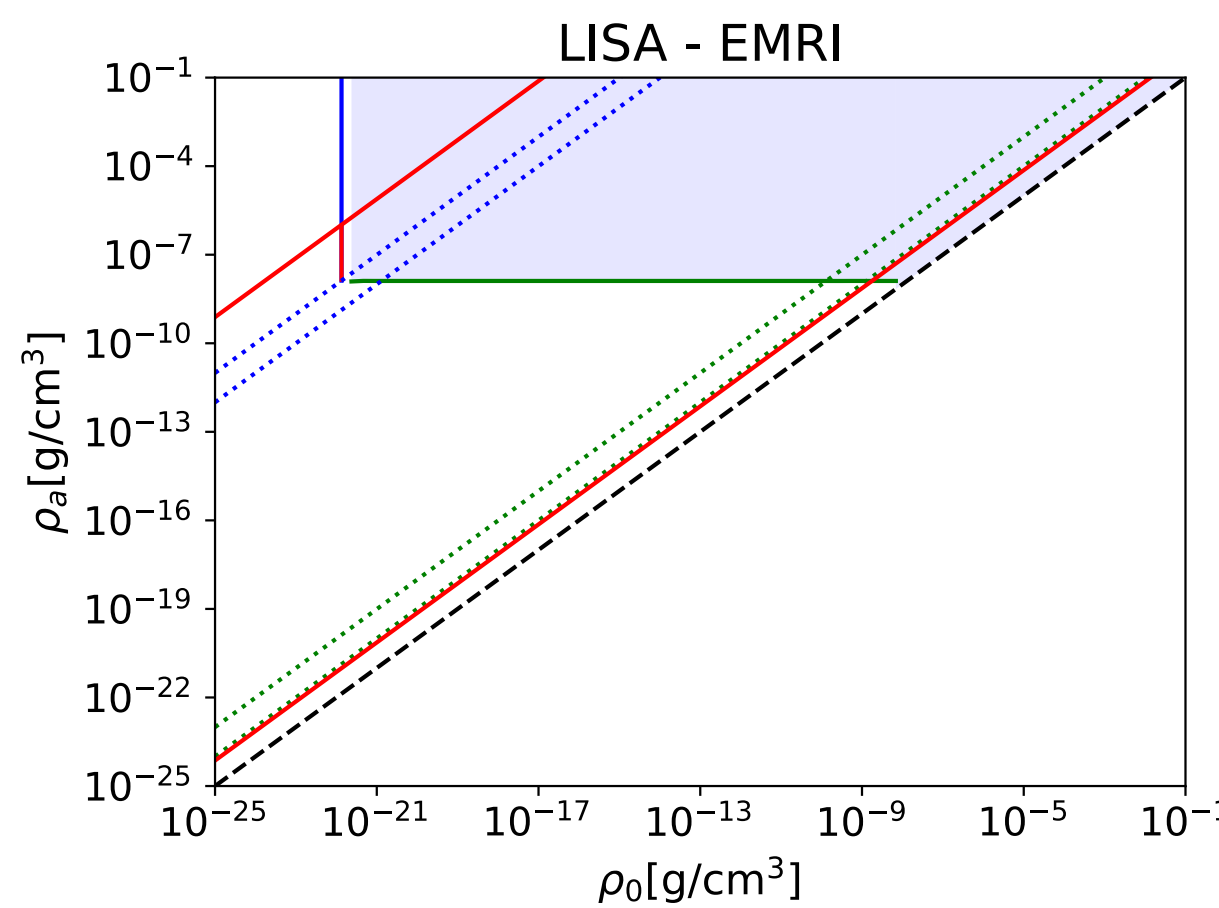
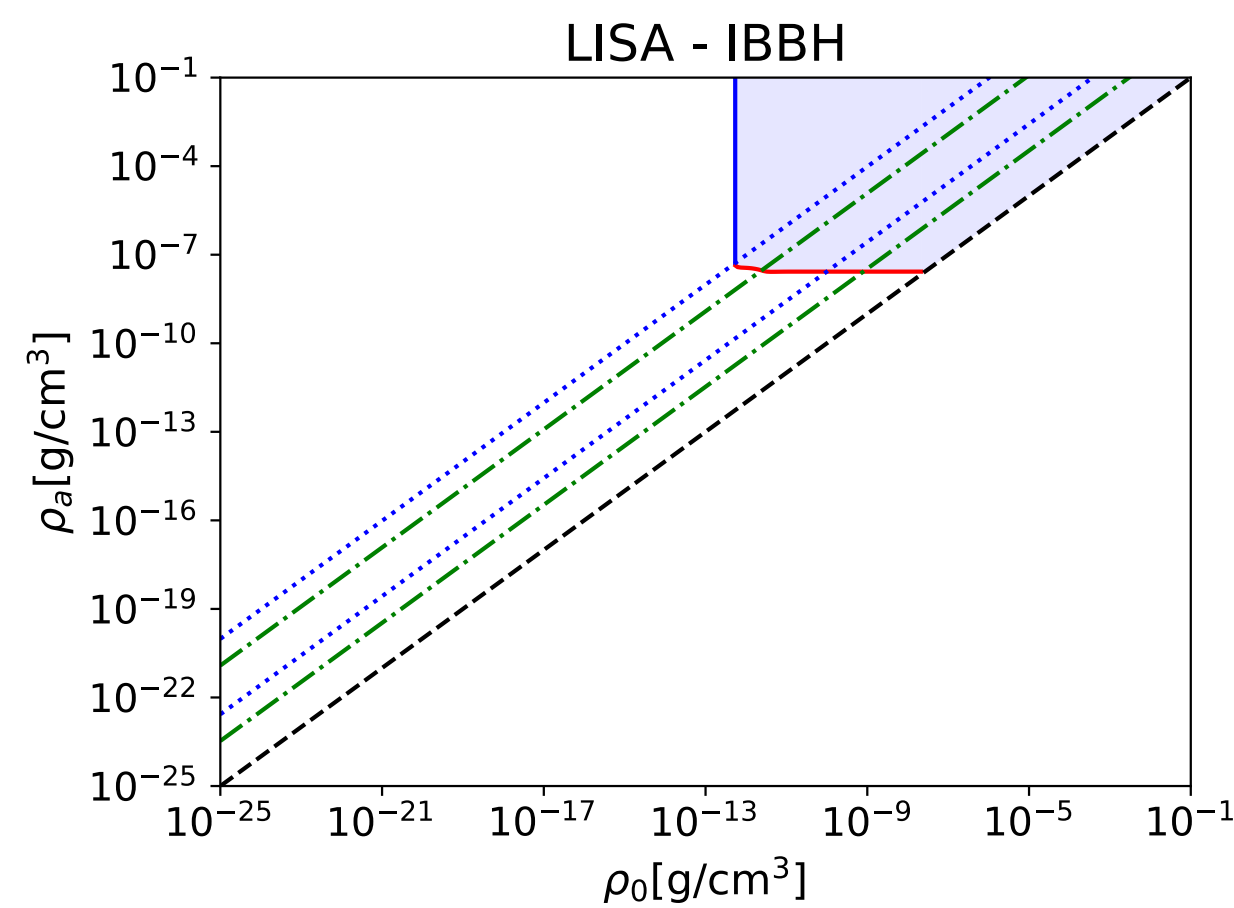
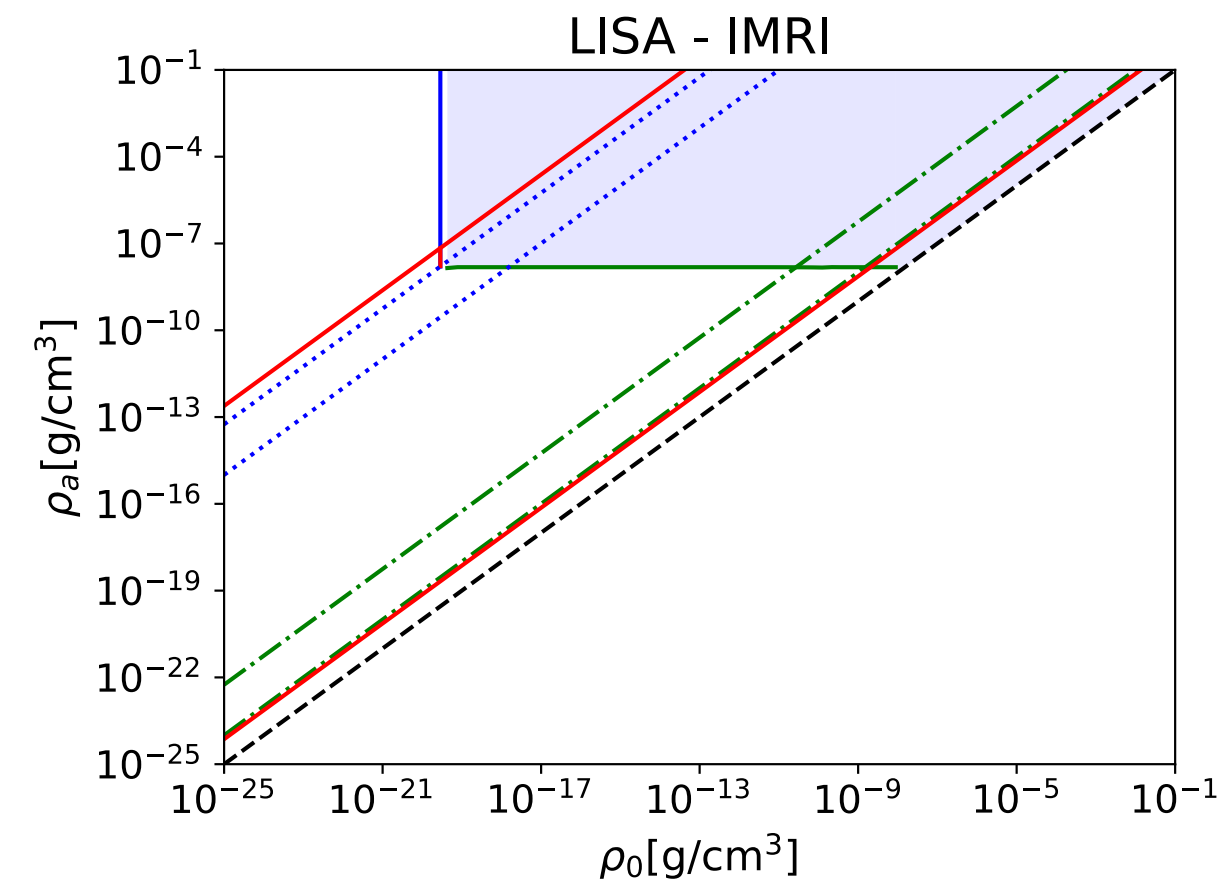
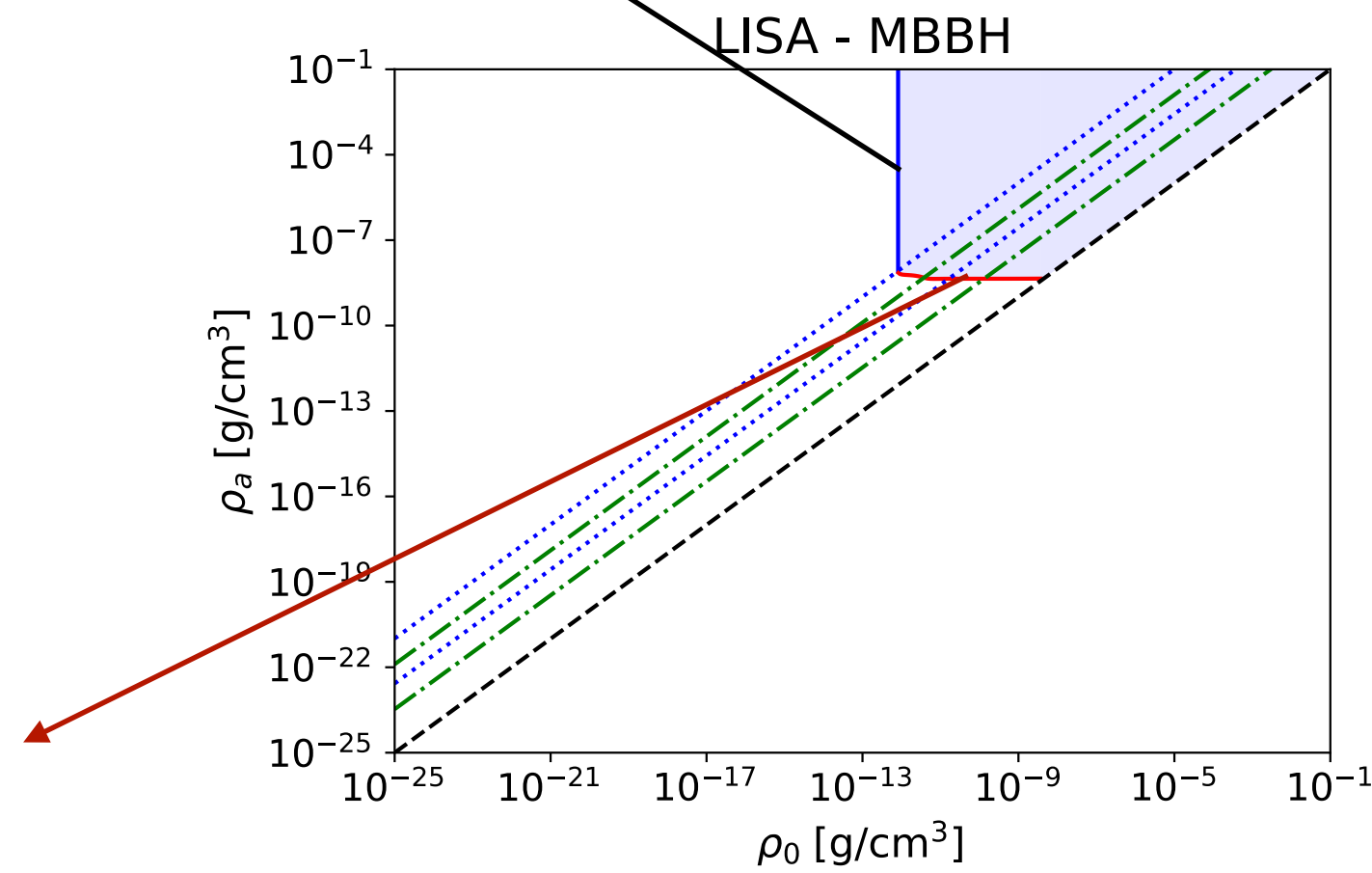
$$\frac{\rho_a}{\rho_0} = \frac{c^2}{c_s^2} \geq 1$$

LISA:

BHL accretion mode

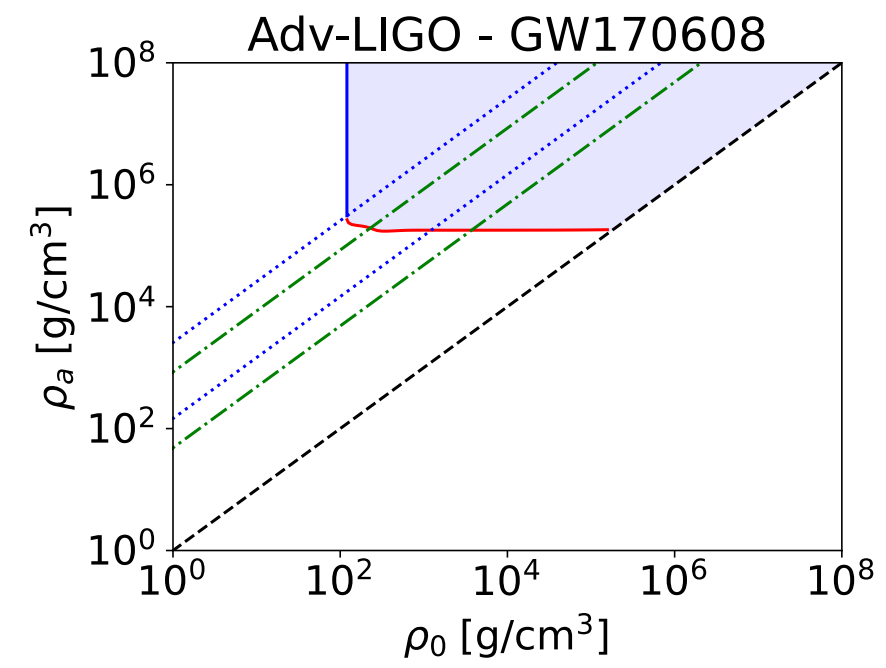
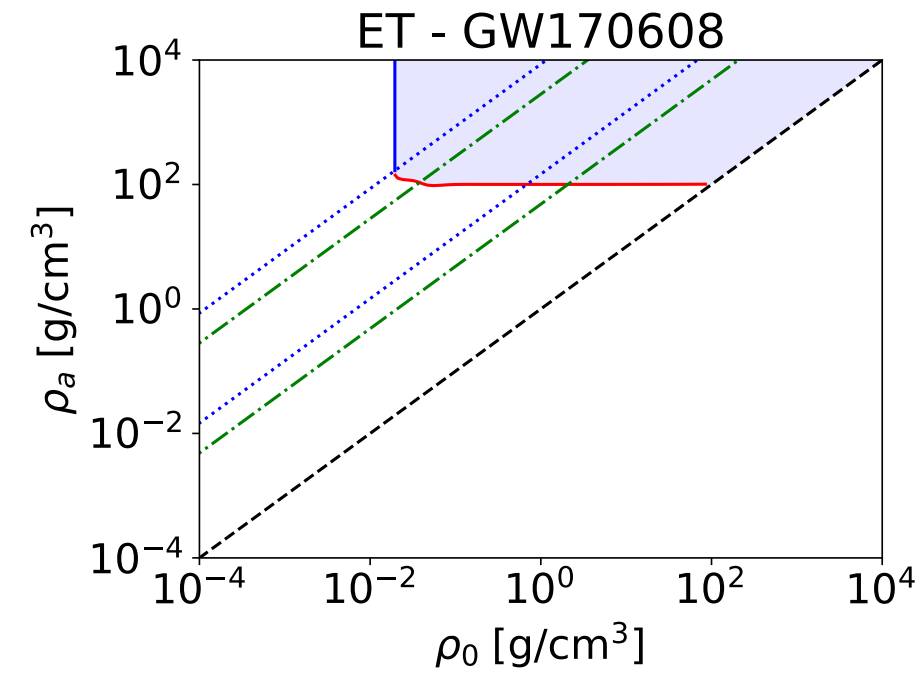
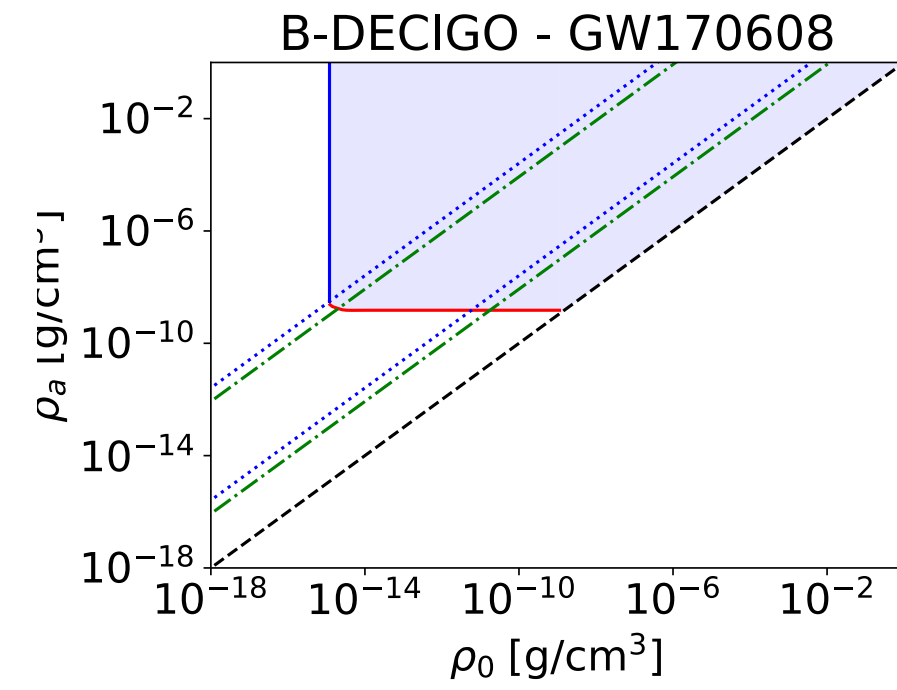
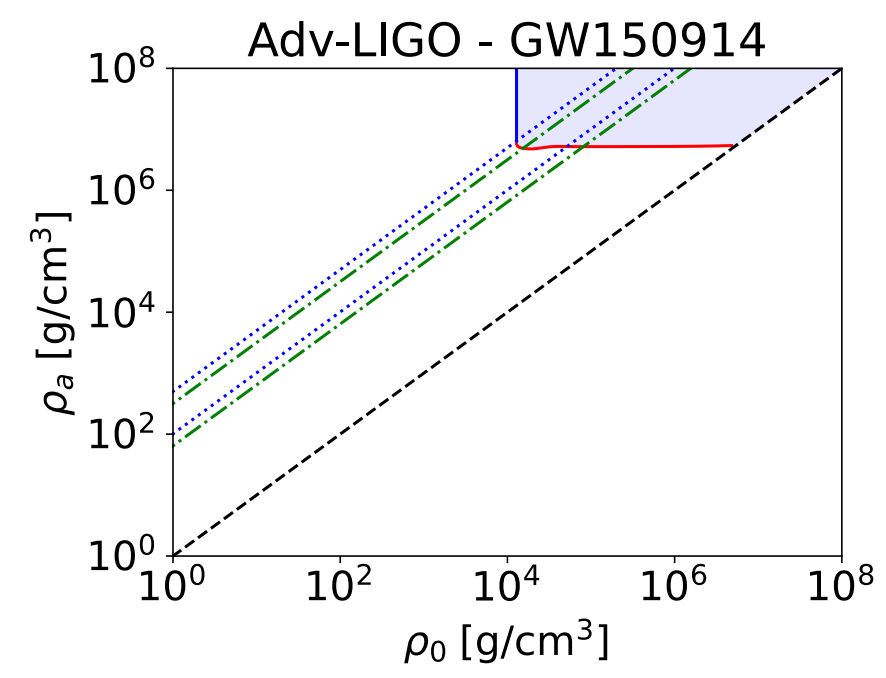
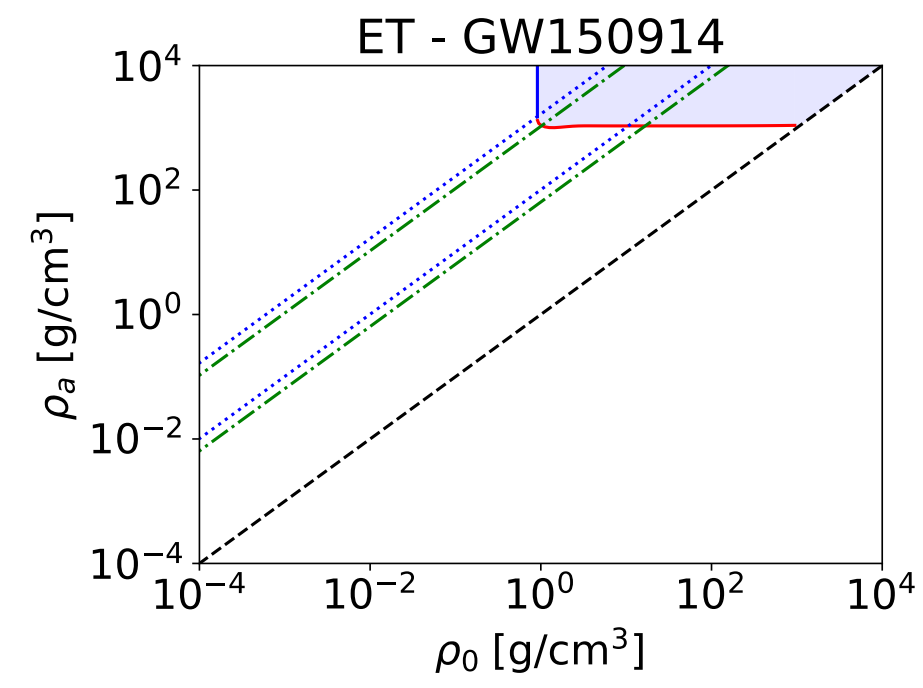
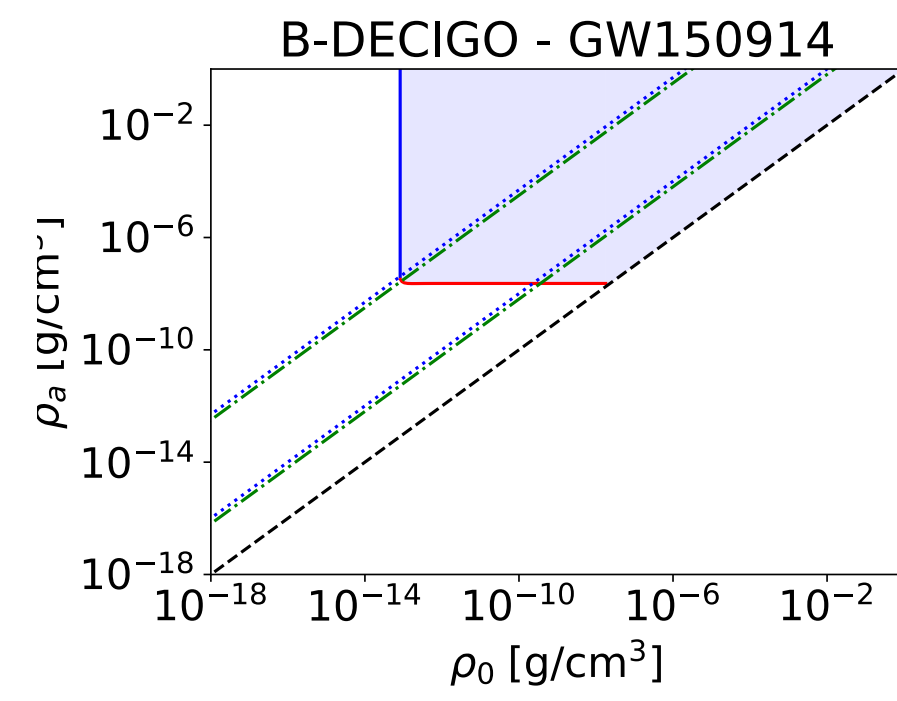
Plane (ρ_0, ρ_a)

Max. radial accretion mode



Event	Properties				
	$m_1 (M_\odot)$	$m_2 (M_\odot)$	χ_1	χ_2	χ_{eff}
MBBH	10^6	5×10^5	0.9	0.8	0.87
IBBH	10^4	5×10^3	0.3	0.4	0.33
IMRI	10^4	10	0.8	0.5	0.80
EMRI	10^5	10	0.8	0.5	0.80

$$1 M_\odot/\text{pc}^3 = 6.7 \times 10^{-23} \text{ g/cm}^3$$



ρ_0 halo bulk density

$$\rho_a = \frac{4m^4}{3\lambda_4}$$

Critical density:

$$\rho_c \sim 10^{-29} \text{g/cm}^3 \sim 10^{-7} M_\odot/\text{pc}^3$$

Solar neighborhood:

$$\rho_{\text{DM}} \sim 1 M_\odot/\text{pc}^3 \sim 7 \times 10^{-23} \text{g/cm}^3$$

Baryonic density in thick disks:

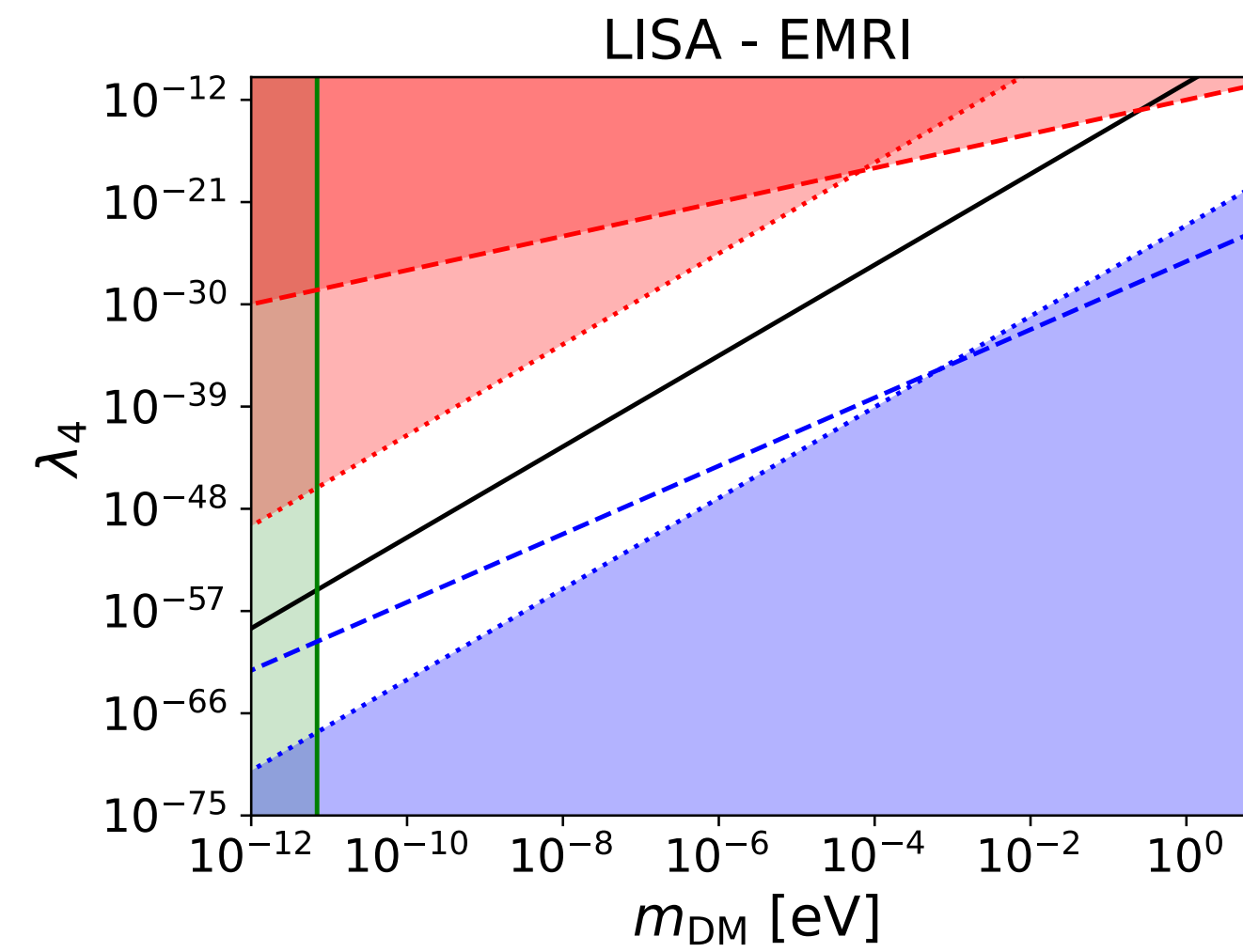
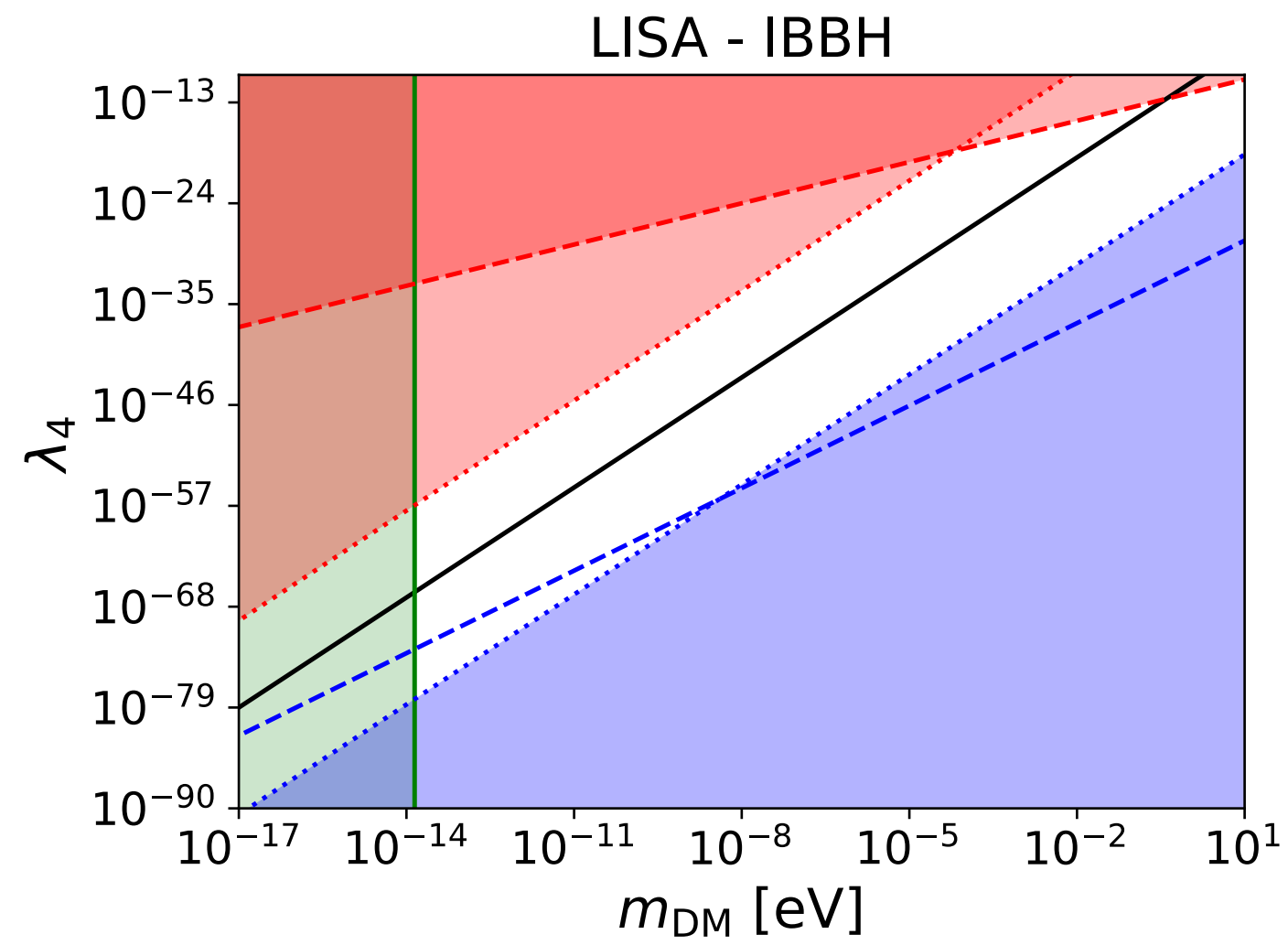
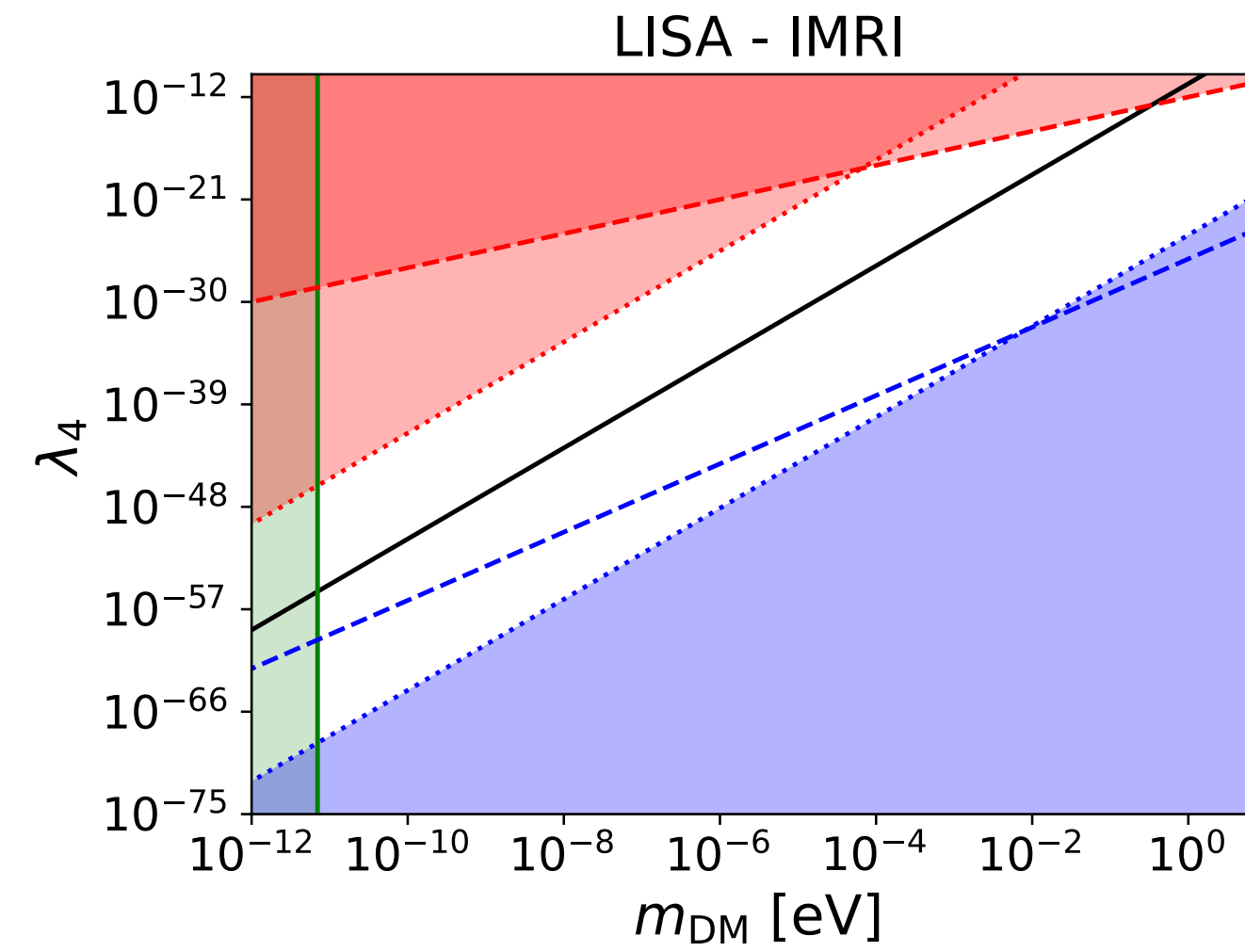
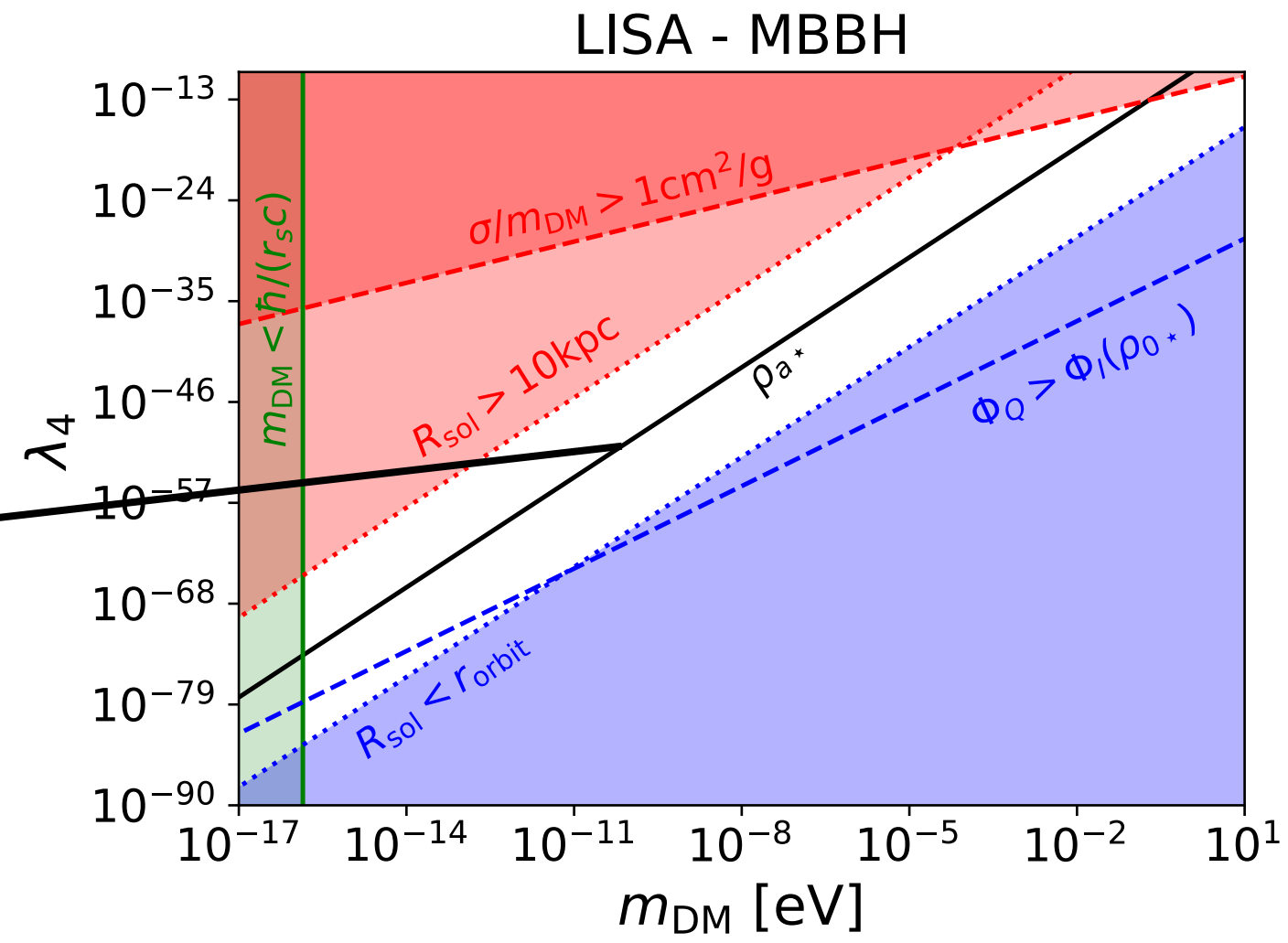
$$\rho_b \lesssim 10^{-7} \text{g/cm}^3$$

Event \ Detector	LISA	B-DECIGO	ET	Adv-LIGO
MBBH	$\rho_0 > 8 \times 10^{-13} \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 5 \times 10^{-9} \text{g/cm}^3$	×	×	×
IBBH	$\rho_0 > 5 \times 10^{-13} \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 3 \times 10^{-8} \text{g/cm}^3$	×	×	×
IMRI	$\rho_0 > 3 \times 10^{-20} \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 2 \times 10^{-8} \text{g/cm}^3$	×	×	×
EMRI	$\rho_0 > 10^{-22} \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 10^{-8} \text{g/cm}^3$	×	×	×
GW150914	×	$\rho_0 > 8 \times 10^{-14} \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 2 \times 10^{-8} \text{g/cm}^3$	$\rho_0 > 0.9 \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 10^3 \text{g/cm}^3$	$\rho_0 > 10^4 \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 5 \times 10^6 \text{g/cm}^3$
GW170608	×	$\rho_0 > 10^{-15} \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 2 \times 10^{-9} \text{g/cm}^3$	$\rho_0 > 0.02 \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 101 \text{g/cm}^3$	$\rho_0 > 120 \text{g/cm}^3$ $\rho_a > 2 \times 10^5 \text{g/cm}^3$

E) Region in the parameter space that can be detected

Plane $(m_{\text{DM}}, \lambda_4)$

Models with coupling below this line can be detected



F) Region in the parameter space that can be detected

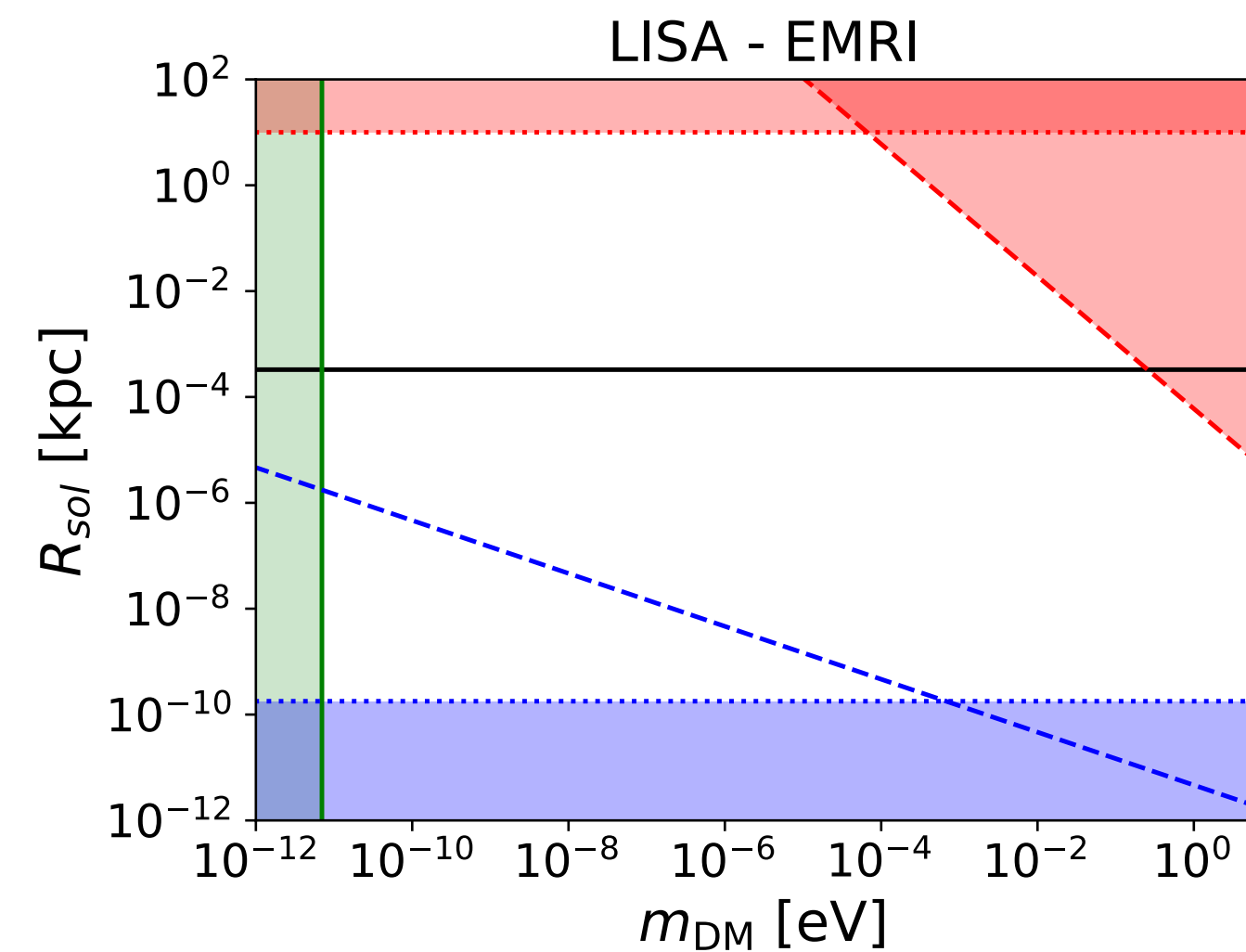
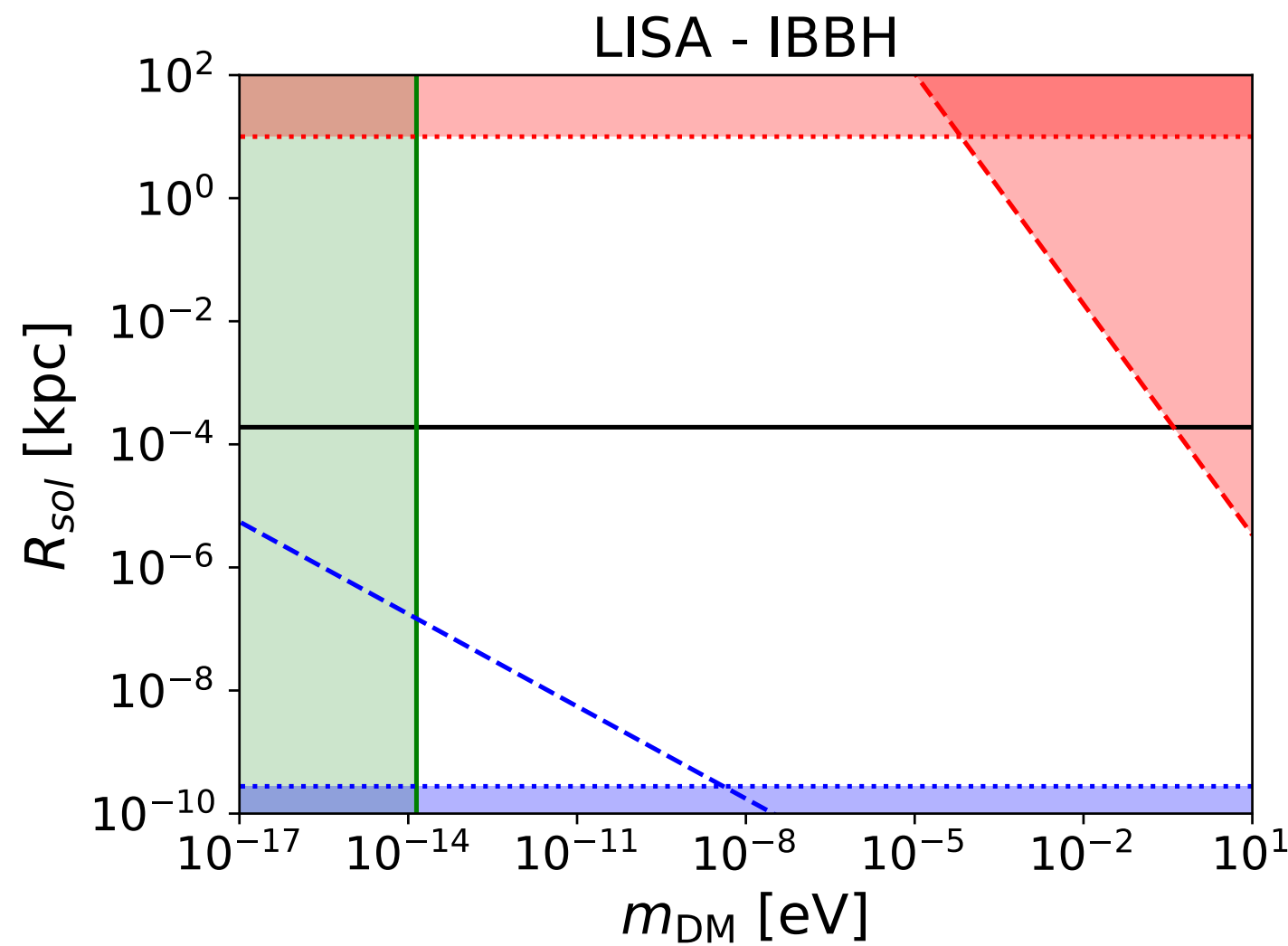
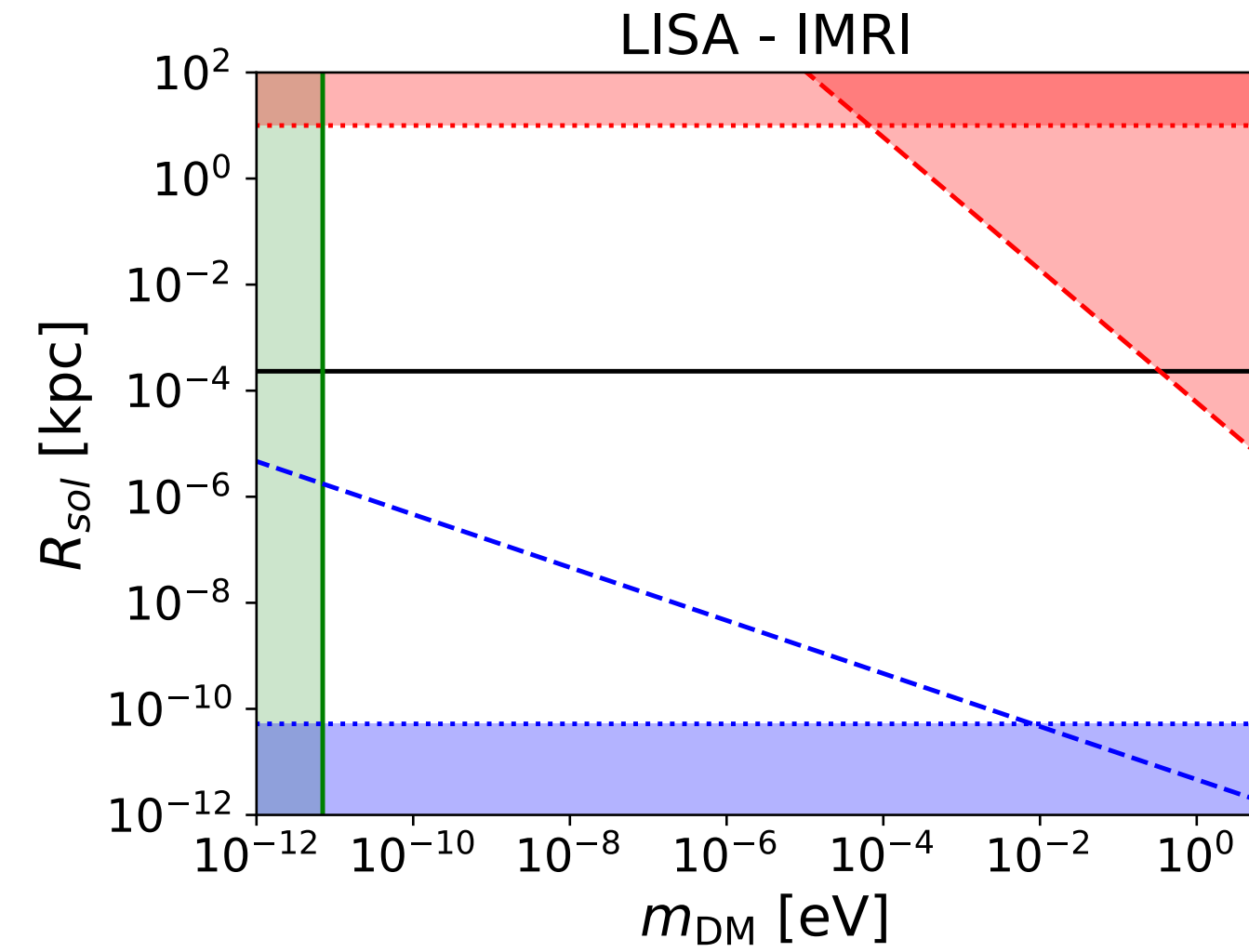
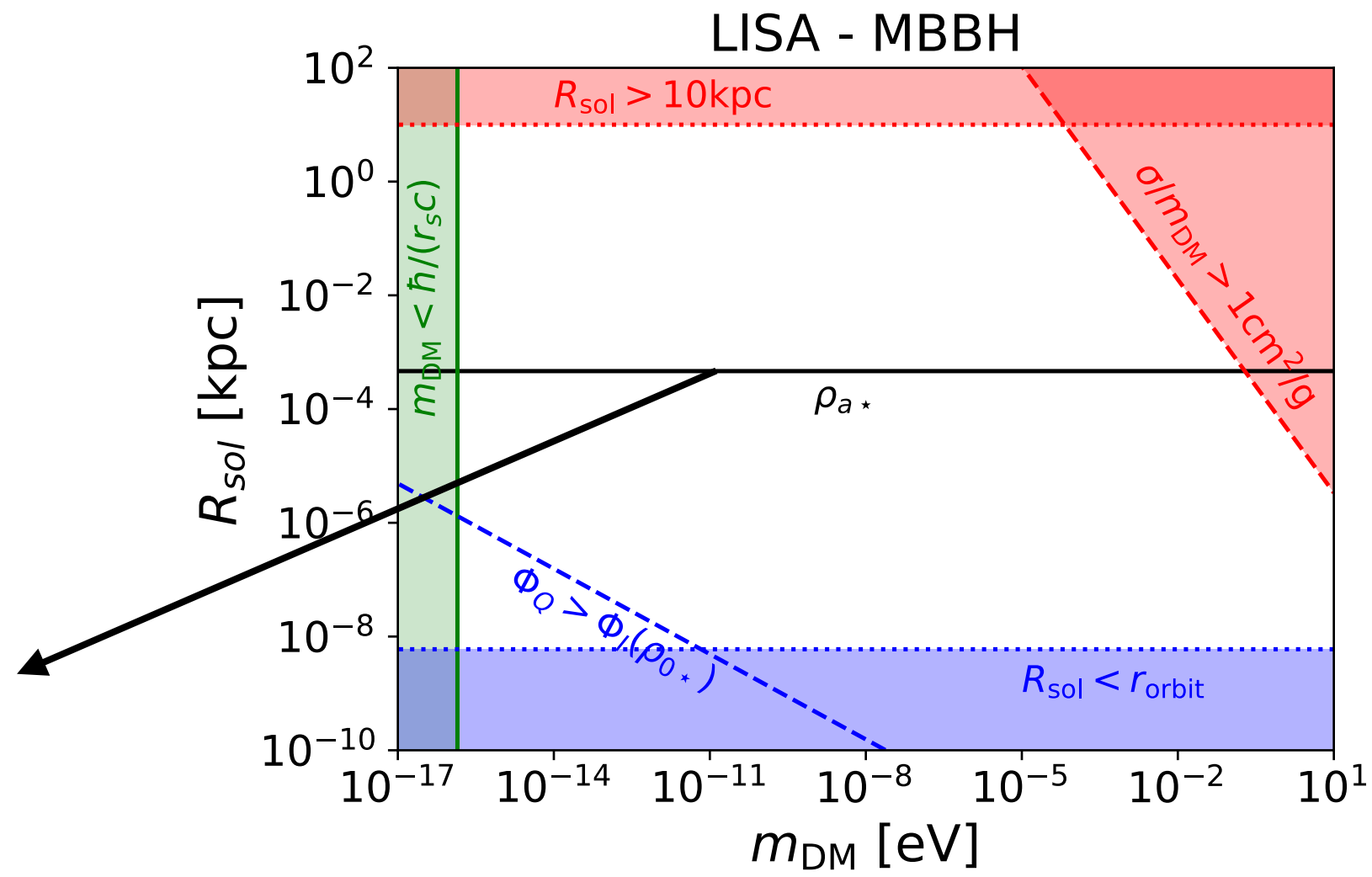
Plane $(m_{\text{DM}}, R_{\text{sol}})$

$$R_{\text{sol}} = \pi \sqrt{\frac{3\lambda_4}{2} \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m^2}}$$

$$R_{\text{sol}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4\mathcal{G}\rho_a}}$$

Radius of the scalar cloud (soliton)

Models with soliton radius below this line can be detected



CONCLUSIONS

- Scalar dark matter models with self-interactions allow detailed analysis in the large scalar-mass limit
- Hydrodynamical picture in the non-relativistic regime (but does not always hold: mapping can be singular)

- Solitons (flat cores) appear at the center of virialized halos
- They do not seem to converge to a scaling regime → expect of large diversity of profiles
- Transitions between different regime could take place for some models

- Radial accretion onto a BH similar to Bondi problem, with unique transsonic solution, but much smaller accretion rate, self-regulated by a bottleneck in the relativistic regime

- Such a dark matter environment could be detected by LISA and B-DECIGO, if it contains BH binaries.
- They would see scalar clouds that are smaller than 0.1 pc: difficult to detect by other probes

Other topics: vorticity, gravitational atoms (superradiance),

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !