

Constraining Mixed Warm Dark Matter with Milky Way Satellite Galaxies

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Matter Power Spectrum - Small Scales

However, smaller scales allow alternate dark matter models



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Warm Dark Matter (WDM) subhaloes

• WDM models have free streaming effects that suppress small scale structure





Warm Dark Matter (WDM)

Lovell+14 (1308.1399)

Cold Dark Matter (CDM)

Mixed Warm Dark Matter (WDM+CDM)



- Observations have placed strict constraints on scenarios composed of 100% warm dark matter.
- We consider a situation where dark matter is made from 2 different species:

 f_{WDM} : Warm dark matter
 1 - f_{WDM} : Cold dark matter
- Mixed scenario also considered by Anderhalden+12, Parimbelli+21

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• However, we cannot see the DM subhaloes





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• Warm dark matter suppresses the number of Milky Way satellites!





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Connecting WDM haloes to Milky Way satellites

• We start with the known satellites found in Dark Energy Survey (DES) and Pan-STARRS-1 (PS1)



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Generating Mixed Warm Dark Matter subhalos

- We need to generate subhalo populations for the Mixed WDM models
- Start with the Matter Power Spectrum from CLASS (Lesgourgues+11)







• We generate the subhalo suppression function using the extended Press-Schechter Formalism with the semi-analytical *sashimi* (Dekker+21)



Mixed WDM satellite galaxy populations

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Subhalo Suppression function

Satellite Luminosity Function

Generating satellite galaxy populations

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 - DES & PS1 survey selection function
 - Subhalo disruption due to baryonic effects
 - Impact of the Large Magellanic Cloud



Constraints on WDM Fractions



- Exclude regions with posterior odds compared to CDM < 1:20
- Ruled out 100% Pure WDM at mass limit of ~6.5 keV
 - Consistent with constraints from Nadler+21
- Constraints converges to *f*_{WDM} ≤ 0.45 for low WDM masses.
 - Uncertainty in subhalo-satellite connection parameters
 - Incomplete survey coverage at low masses

Constraints of 7 keV Sterile Neutrinos Fractions

• Excluded ≥45% of dark matter being composed of 7 keV sterile neutrinos produced from Shi-Fuller mechanism



Increasing Satellite Galaxy Survey Volume

• Our constraints are limited by Survey Volume (Survey Area x Survey Depth)



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- Many new MW satellite systems have already been discovered in DELVE
 - Recently Found Leo VI !

Summary (arXiv:2409.XXXXX)



- Obtained subhalo mass function for MWDM scenarios with semi-analytical models
- Used Milky Way satellite galaxies counts to place on MWDM scenarios.
 - Exclude $m_{WDM} \lesssim 6.5$ keV at f_{WDM} = 1
 - \circ ~ Plateau at $~f_{_{WDM}} \lesssim 0.45~for~m_{_{WDM}} \lesssim 1~keV$
- Excluded >45% of dark matter composed of resonantly-produced 7 keV Sterile Neutrino