

### Near-field Cosmology with Isolated Dwarf Galaxies

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## Background [LCDM, successes, small scale puzzles]

#### Background | The 'cusp-core' problem



Flores & Primack 1994; Moore 1994; Read et al. 2017



### Pure Dark Matter → Observed Universe





## Predictive Simulations with baryons [Getting feedback right for one isolated dwarf]



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Read et al. 2016; and see Navarro 1996; Read & Gilmore 2005; Pontzen & Governato 2012

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Read et al. 2016; and see di Cintio et al. 2014; Onorbe et al. 2015; Munshi et al. 2017

## Isolated dwarfs

[rotation curves + abundance matching]

#### Measurement | Rotation curves



LCDM; no baryons

Read et al. 2016a,b; Read et al. 2017

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LCDM+baryons

Read et al. 2016a,b; Read et al. 2017



# The stellar mass-halo mass relation

















# Cosmological simulations

# E.D.G.E.

Engineering Dwarfs at Galaxy formation's Edge



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#### Cosmological simulations | E.D.G.E.



 $M_{\rm DM} = 960 \,{\rm M}_{\odot} \,({\rm fiducial}), 120 \,{\rm M}_{\odot} \,({\rm high}) \mid M_{\rm bar} = 160 \,{\rm M}_{\odot}$ 

Agertz, Pontzen & Read in prep. 2017

#### Cosmological simulations | Cores & cusps in an ultra-faint



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# A DM core in the ultrafaint dwarf Eridanus II

#### A DM core in an ultra faint | Eridanus II and its lone cluster



Contenta et al. 2017; Koposov et al. 2015; Crnojevic et al. 2016; Amorisco 2017

#### A DM core in an ultra faint | Cusped models

Age: 0.0 Gyrs





#### A DM core in an ultra faint | Cored models

Age: 0.0 Gyrs





#### A DM core in an ultra faint | Results



#### Conclusions

- Isolated dwarf simulations at ~4pc resolution predict dark matter cores of size ~R<sub>1/2</sub>, if SF not truncated
- Abundance matching isolated dwarfs  $\rightarrow m_{\rm dm} > 2 \, \rm keV$
- Even 'ultra-faints' can form DM cores; evidence for one in Eridanus II.
- Evidence for a dark matter cusp in Draco  $\rightarrow$  evidence for "dark matter heating"; SIDM  $\rightarrow \sigma/m < 1 \, {\rm cm}^2/{\rm g}$
- Dark matter likely a cold(ish) & collisionsless particle