

# Solar Mass Black Holes and Dark Matter

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- GW detectors progress very fast; the number of detected merger events grows quickly.
- These observations will soon map out the mass spectrum of stellar-size BH with good accuracy, including the **low-mass region**  $\sim M_{\odot}$ .

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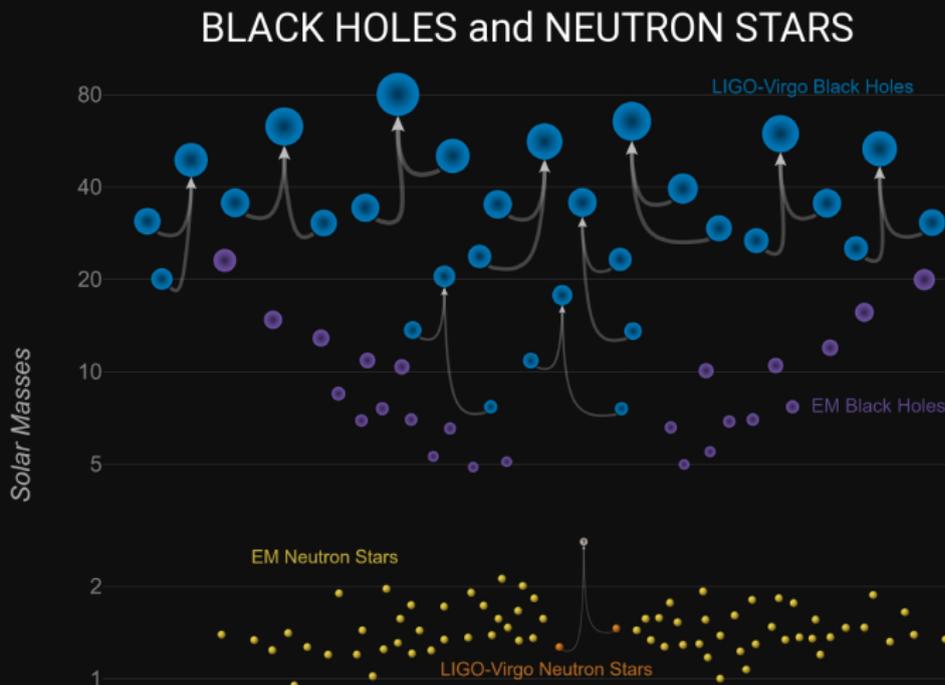
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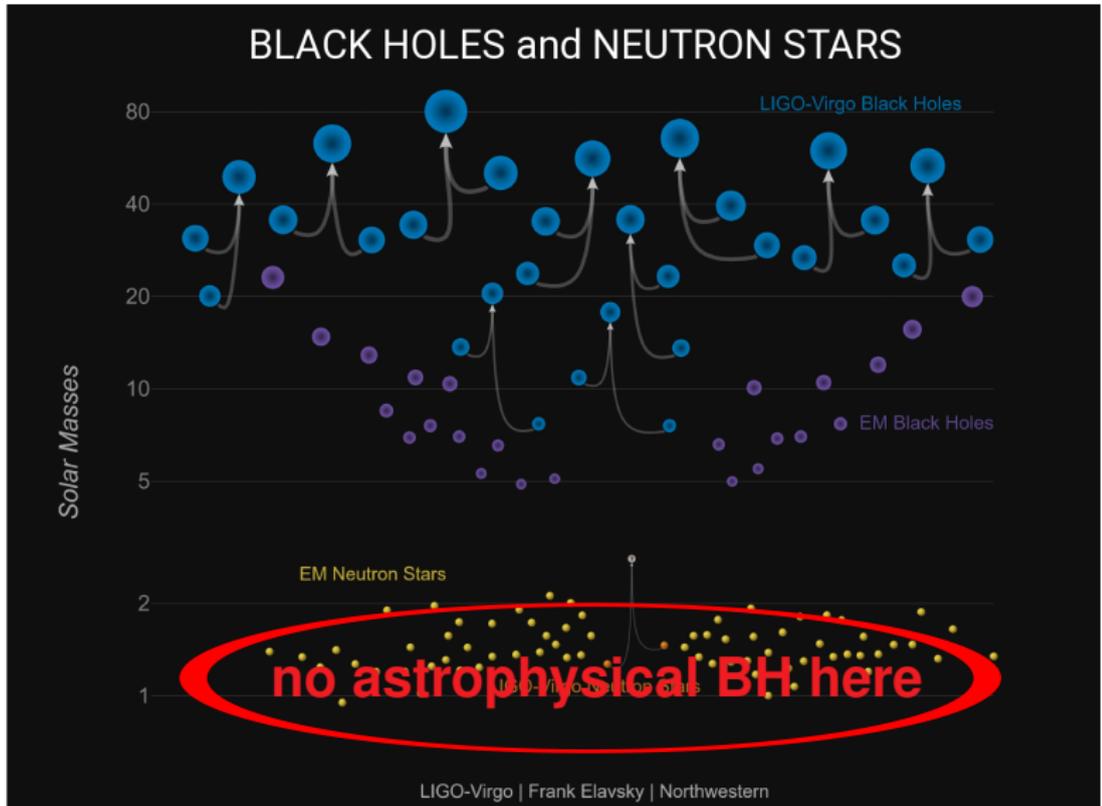
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- BH may be produced in the early Universe in collapse of large matter overdensities.
- For causality, their mass is limited by the **total mass within horizon** at the time of production:

$$M_{\text{BH}} \lesssim M_H \simeq 0.02 \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}^3}{T^2}$$

$T$	MeV	100 MeV	100 GeV	$10^8$ GeV
$M_H$	$3 \times 10^4 M_\odot$ $6 \times 10^{37}$ g	$3 M_\odot$ $6 \times 10^{33}$ g	$3 \times 10^{-6} M_\odot$ $6 \times 10^{27}$ g	$3 \times 10^{-18} M_\odot$ $6 \times 10^{15}$ g

- BH *relative* contribution into energy density **grows linearly with the scale factor  $a$**   $\implies$  easy to produce enough or even overproduce.

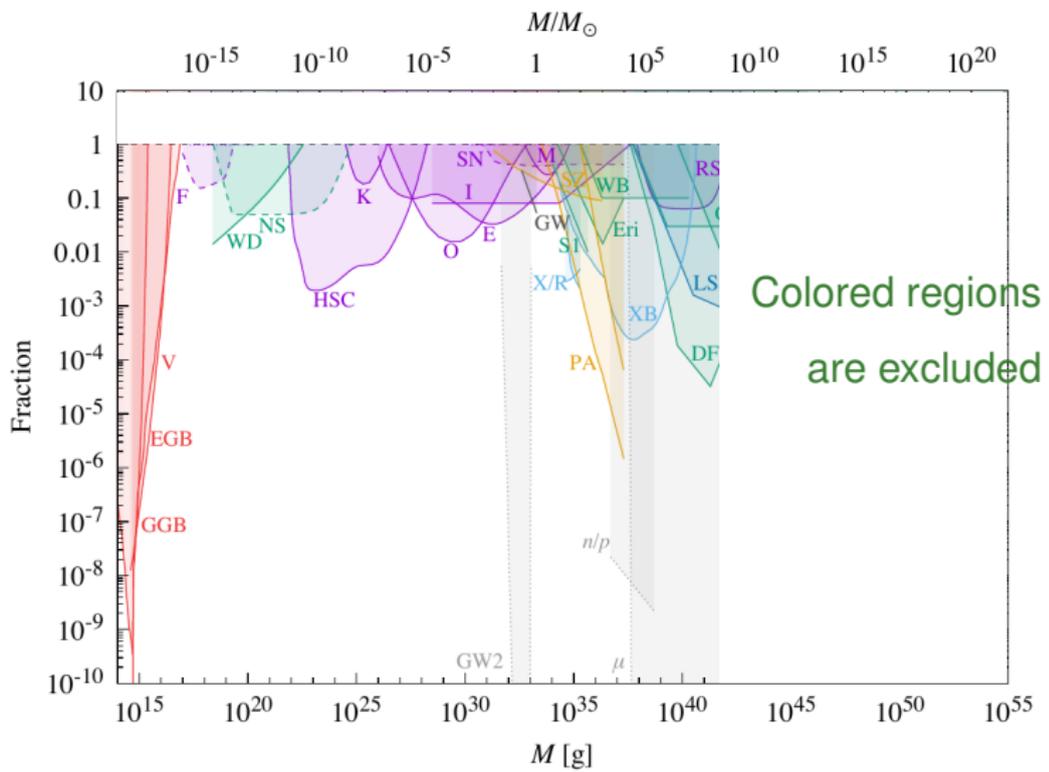
# Plenty of production mechanisms:

- Primordial density perturbations  
*Carr, ApJ 201(1975)1*
- Soft equation of state at some period of evolution  
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*Khlopov, Malomed, Zel'dovich, MNRAS 215 (1985) 575*
- Bubble collisions during phase transitions  
*Hall, Hsu, PRL64 (1990) 2848*  
*Jedamzik, PRD55 (1997) 5871*  
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- Collapse of cosmic strings  
*Hawking, Phys.Lett. B231 (1989) 237*  
*Polnarev, Zembowicz, PRD 61 (1991) 1106*
- Collapse of closed domain walls  
*Rubin, Khlopov, Sakharov, Grav.Cosmol. 6 (2001)*  
*Dokuchaev, Eroshenko, Rubin, Grav.Cosmol. 11 (2005) 99*
- At reheating  
*Suyama et al, PRD71 (2005) 063507*
- At preheating  
*Green, Malik, PRD64 (2001) 021301*
- During inflation  
*Garsia-Bellido, Linde, Wands PRD54 (1996) 6040*

# Experimental constraints

Numerous constraints from various arguments:

*Carr, talk at "Dark side of BH", 2019*



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# BH FROM COMPACT STARS AND DM

## BASIC PICTURE

- Stars do not collapse into BH if lighter than  $\sim 20M_{\odot}$  because the collapse is halted by the Fermi pressure of electrons and nucleons. Instead, they form neutron stars (NS) or white dwarfs if lighter than  $\sim 9M_{\odot}$ .
- However, stars may accumulate DM and concentrate it enough to make a small **seed BH inside the star** that would then grow by accretion and convert the star into a  $O(M_{\odot})$  BH.
- This can only work for **compact stars**, for two reasons:
  - They concentrate DM much better
  - They are dense enough to be eaten up in a short time
- This can only work for **non-annihilating** (e.g. asymmetric) DM

# DM IN COMPACT STARS

How does DM get into stars? Basically, two ways:

- Acquired at the formation of the progenitor
- Captured during the evolution of the progenitor and lifetime of the compact star

# Capture at star formation

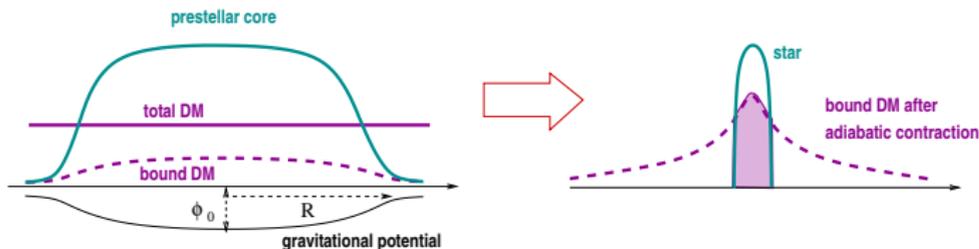
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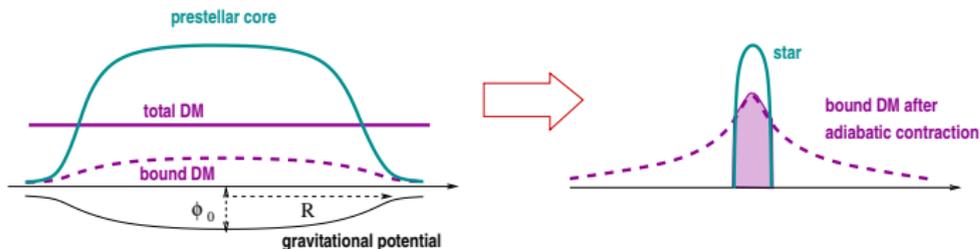


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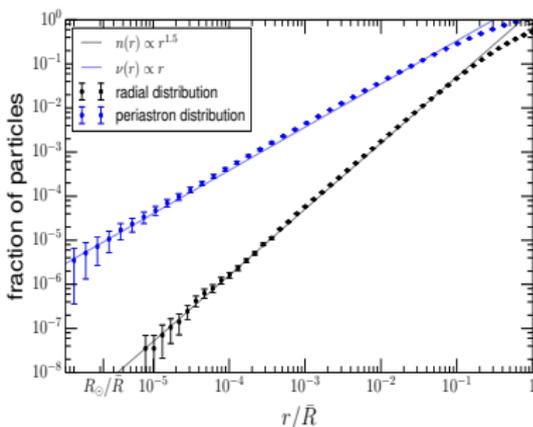


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- The density of bound DM, assuming Maxwellian parent distribution with  $\bar{v}$ :

$$\rho_{\text{bound}} \sim \bar{\rho}_{DM} \left( \frac{\phi_0}{\bar{v}^2} \right)^{3/2} = \text{const} \cdot \frac{\bar{\rho}_{DM}}{\bar{v}^3}$$

- DM after the adiabatic contraction:

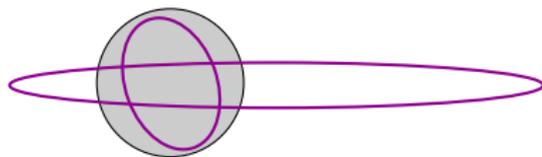


- Number of particles within  $r$ ,

$$n(r) \propto r^{3/2}$$

- Number of particles with periastron  $< r$ ,

$$\nu(r) \propto r$$



- How much gets captured? Depends on the progenitor mass and ambient DM density and velocity. For numbers typical of dwarf galaxies,  $\rho_{\text{DM}} = 200 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$  and  $v = 7 \text{ km/s}$ , one has

$M_*/M_\odot$	$M_{\text{dm}}$	$M_{\text{dm}}/M_\odot$
1	$9.9 \times 10^{44} \text{ GeV}$	$8.8 \times 10^{-13}$
5	$5.8 \times 10^{46} \text{ GeV}$	$5.2 \times 10^{-11}$
10	$3.6 \times 10^{47} \text{ GeV}$	$3.2 \times 10^{-10}$
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- In the MW halo with  $\rho_{\text{DM}} = 0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3$  and  $v = 220 \text{ km/s}$  they should be rescaled by a factor  $5 \times 10^{-8} (\propto \rho_{\text{DM}}/v^3)$ .

# CAPTURE DURING LIFETIME

*Press, Spergel, Astrophys.J. 296(1985)679*

- Start with cross section of the star crossing

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- Assume best case (no suppression), take lifetime 10 Gyr and calculate total DM mass accumulated by NS

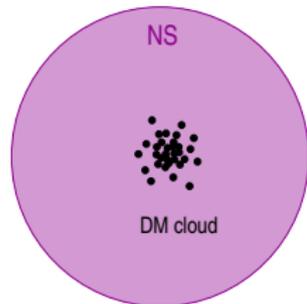
MW	$2.2 \times 10^{44} \text{ GeV} = 2 \times 10^{-13} M_{\odot}$
dwarf galaxies	$1.5 \times 10^{47} \text{ GeV} = 1.3 \times 10^{-10} M_{\odot}$

- Note: DM-to-nucleon cross section is strongly constrained by direct detection, so for Sun and WD there is typically **strong suppression** as compared to these numbers.

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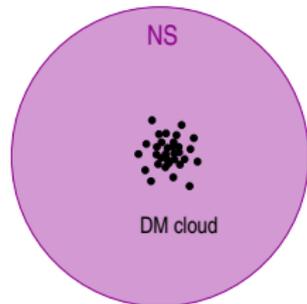
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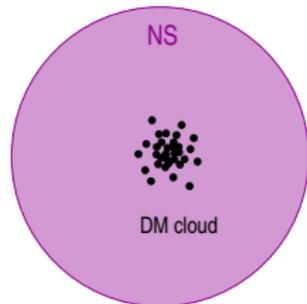
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*Kouvaris, PT, PRL 107(2011)091301*

- In case of bosons this constraint should be reconsidered because bosons may form **Bose-Einstein condensate** which is much more compact and may self-gravitate at smaller total accumulated mass.
- For a NS, the size of BEC state is

$$r_{\text{BEC}} = \left(G\rho_* m^2\right)^{-1/4} \sim 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm } (\text{GeV}/m)^{1/2}$$

- For a given temperature, there is a critical density of particles above which BEC is formed:

$$n \gtrsim 5 \times 10^{28} \text{ cm}^{-3} \left(\frac{mT_c}{\text{GeV} \cdot 10^5 \text{ K}}\right)^{3/2}$$

## BOSONIC DM

- For BEC the self-gravitation condition reads

$$M_{\text{BEC}} > 7 \times 10^{-30} M_{\odot} (m/\text{GeV})^{-3/2}$$

⇒ much easier to satisfy than for the whole cloud

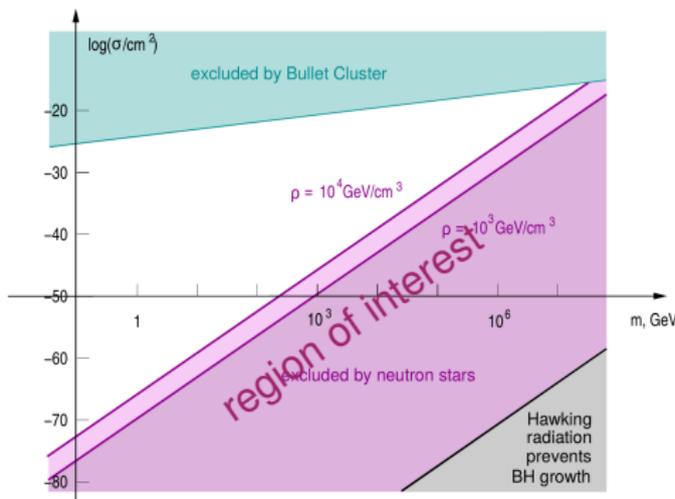
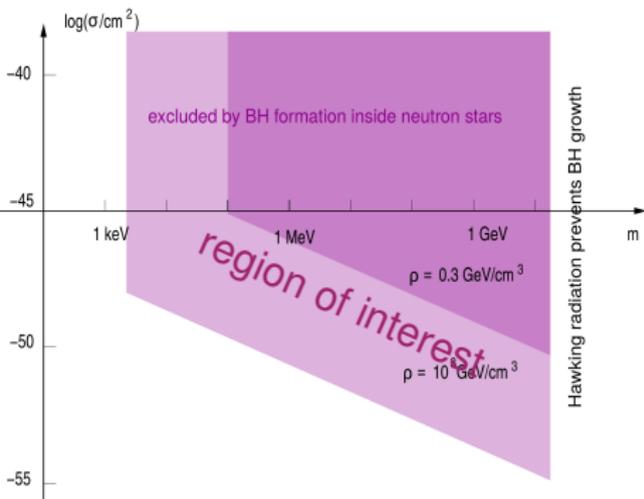
- Once self gravitating, BEC collapses provided the uncertainty principle does not stop the collapse

$$N_{\text{BEC}} \gtrsim \left( \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m} \right)^2 \sim 10^{38} \left( \frac{m}{\text{GeV}} \right)^{-2}$$

Note: this condition is more restrictive than self-gravitation of BEC.

# BOSONIC DM

- Thus one gets constraints on bosonic DM together with parameter range where some NS can be converted into light BH:



# FERMIONIC DM

*Kouvaris, PT, Tytgat, PRL 121(2018)221102*

- For fermions **Pauli principle** prevents collapse unless the number of particles is big enough (Chandrasekhar limit),

$$N \gtrsim \left( \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m} \right)^3 \sim 10^{57} (\text{GeV}/m)^3$$

- $\implies$  Accumulated DM mass must satisfy

$$M \gtrsim m \left( \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m} \right)^3 \sim 10^{57} \text{ GeV} (\text{GeV}/m)^2$$

- Two ways out:
  - Assume very high masses  $m \gtrsim 1000 \text{ TeV}$  — not very attractive
  - **Add attractive self-interactions** — obviously, more attractive

## ATTRACTIVE FERMIONIC DM

- Self-interactions modify both the **self-gravitation** and **Chandrasekhar** conditions
- Assume scalar exchange  $\implies$  2 parameters: coupling  $\alpha$  and mediator mass  $\mu$

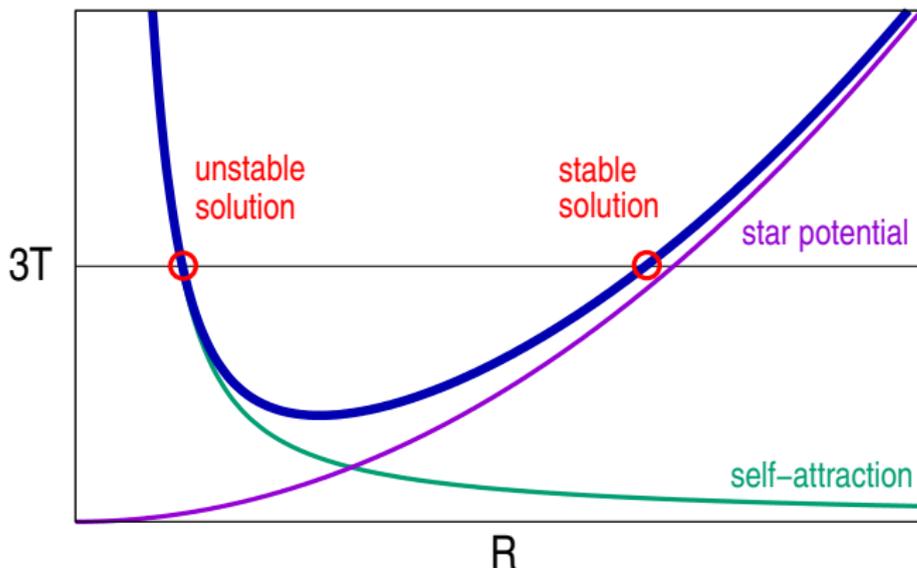
$$V(r) = \alpha e^{-\mu r} / r$$

- **Self-gravitation condition:** assume uniform sphere of radius  $r$  and use the virial theorem. In the limit when the range of the potential  $1/\mu$  is larger than interparticle distance  $r_0$  but smaller than the size of DM sphere  $R$  this gives

$$2\langle E_k \rangle = G\rho_* mR^2 + \frac{GNm^2}{R} + \frac{N\alpha e^{-\mu r_0}}{\mu^2 R^3} (3 + 3\mu r_0 + \mu^2 r_0^2)$$

- In thermal equilibrium  $2\langle E_k \rangle = 3T$ .

- At small  $N$  the solution for  $R$  always exists, but at some critical value  $N_{cr}$  it disappears.

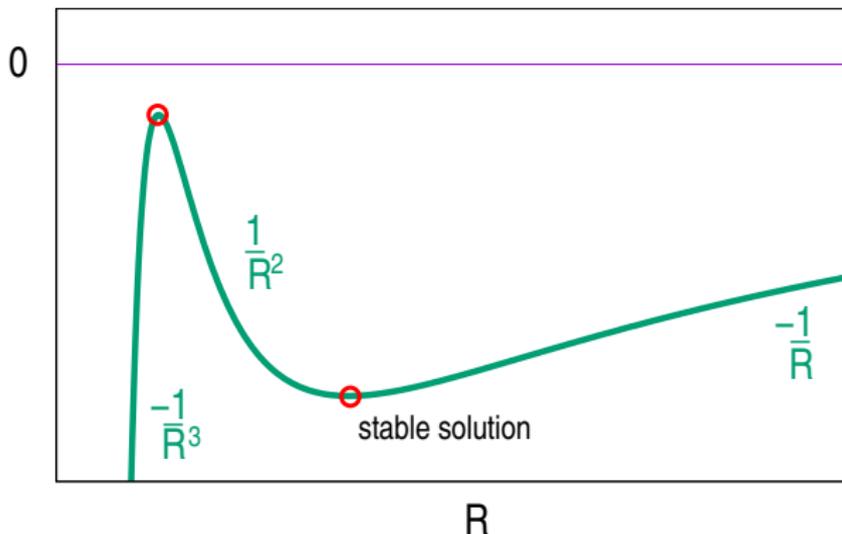


- This critical  $N$  is calculated numerically.

- Chandrasekhar limit: consider  $E(R)$

$$E(R) = \frac{N^{2/3}}{mR^2} - \frac{GNm^2}{R} - \frac{N\alpha}{\mu^2 R^3}$$

and look for extrema  $\partial E/\partial R = 0$ . At small  $N$  there are two; at some large  $N = N_{\text{Ch}}$  they merge and disappear.



- Parametrically

$$N_{\text{Ch}} = \left( \frac{\mu}{m\sqrt{\alpha}} \right)^3 \left( \frac{M_{\text{Pl}}}{m} \right)^3$$

- Note: the parameter  $(\mu/m\sqrt{\alpha})$  also controls non-relativistic approximation.
- Examples when this picture works:

#	$\alpha$	$\frac{\mu}{\text{MeV}}$	$\frac{m}{\text{TeV}}$	$N_{\text{cr}}$	$N_{\text{Ch}}$	$\frac{M_{\text{Ch}}}{M_{\odot}}$
1	$10^{-3}$	10	1	$5 \cdot 10^{35}$	$2 \cdot 10^{37}$	$10^{-17}$
2	$10^{-4}$	2	0.2	$2 \cdot 10^{35}$	$7 \cdot 10^{40}$	$10^{-14}$
3	$10^{-4}$	1	1	$3 \cdot 10^{33}$	$6 \cdot 10^{35}$	$10^{-18}$
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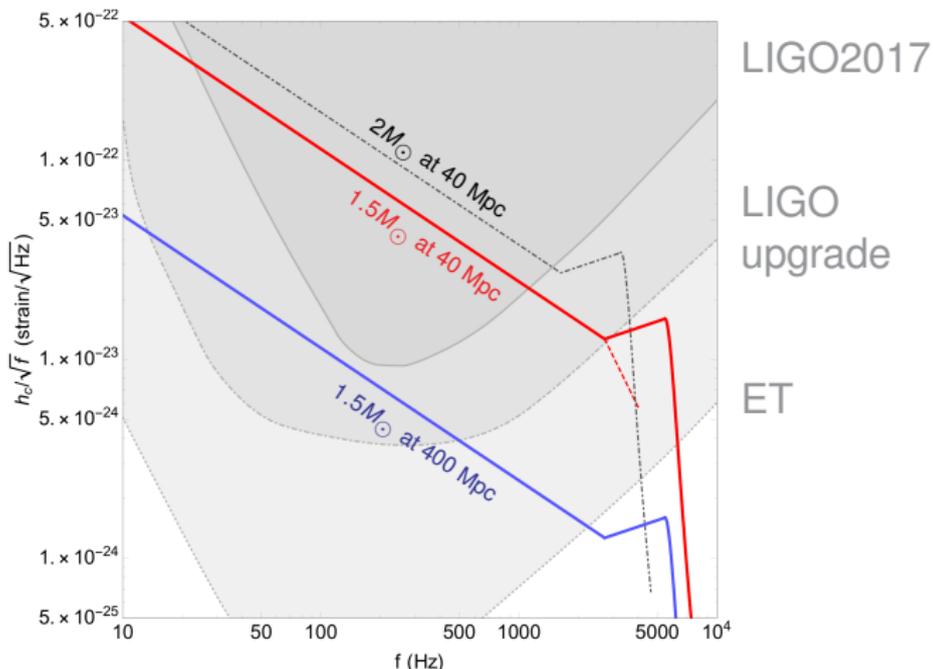
# POTENTIAL CAVEAT

*Gresham, Zurek, arXiv:1809.08254*

- When the DM cloud collapses under gravity and self-interaction, the non-relativistic approximation breaks
- For **relativistic** fermions, the source of scalar field  $\bar{\psi}\psi$  is no longer equal to the number of fermions  $\psi^\dagger\psi$ , so the self-attraction may be dumped
- $\implies$  there might exist another stable phase before the Schwarzschild radius is reached
- However, the situation is far from clear as in this regime many condensates may develop. **The question is under study.**

# DETECTION PROSPECTS

- Can light BH mergers be detected and distinguished from NS mergers?



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