

Simulations of a disk galaxy falling into a cluster

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Research Purpose

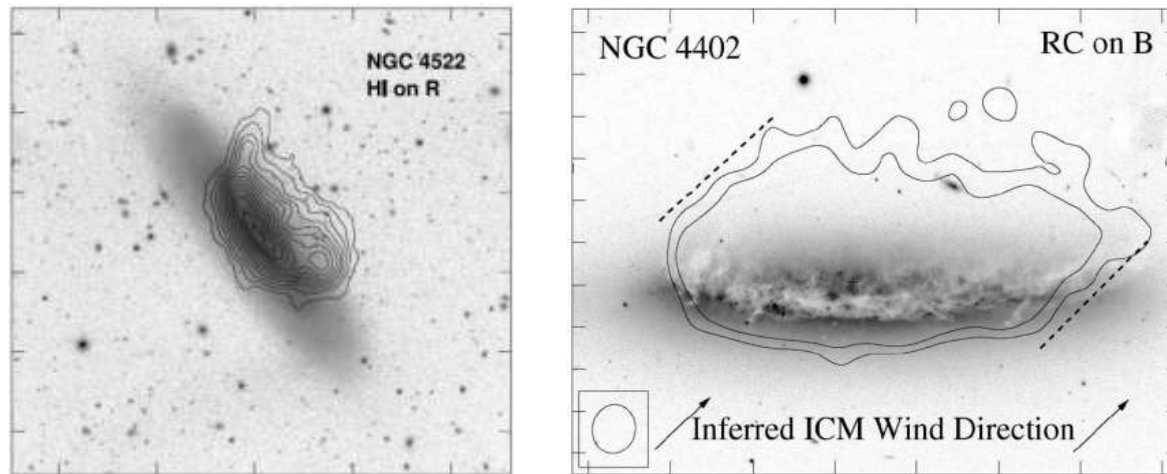


Fig. 1 Two examples of galaxies affected by ram-pressure stripping in the Virgo cluster. Top: HI gas (contours) and stellar light (grey scale, R-band) of NGC 4522. While the stellar distribution looks undisturbed the gas is bent back due to ram-pressure stripping (1.4 GHz radio continuum contours on B-band, from Kenney et al. 2004). Bottom: Similar features in NGC 4402 (from Crawl et al. 2005).

[Schindler & Diaferio 2008, SSRv]

- To understand the mechanisms that drive the evolution of galaxies in clusters
 - cold gas depletion,
 - star formation quenching, &
 - morphology transformation of the disk galaxies
- Hot Cluster Gas vs. Hot Halo Gas of the elliptical galaxies

Research Background

Motivated by Park & Hwang 2009 “Interactions of Galaxies in the Cluster Environment”

- using the SDSS galaxies associated with the Abell clusters
- the galaxy–galaxy encounters are very important in a cluster environment

Central region of clusters is dominated by elliptical galaxies

Galaxy morphology changes with clustercentric radius or local density

- morphology–radius relation (MRR) or morphology–density relation (MDR)

Physical mechanisms to explain the MRR or MDR:

- Galaxy–galaxy tidal interaction
- Galaxy–cluster potential interaction
- Harassment
- Ram pressure stripping due to ICM
- Galaxy–galaxy hydrodynamic interaction
- Viscous stripping, thermal evaporation,...etc

Numerical Codes

ZENO software package

- To generate initial galaxy models (ICs)
- Allows one to build multiple components in mutual equilibrium with user-specified density profiles in collisionless or gaseous form.
- Developed by Joshua Barnes

Gadget3 simulation code

- To evolve the galaxy models
- *N*-body/SPH (Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics) code
- Implemented physics:
 - Radiative cooling, Star formation, SN feedback,
 - Sub-resolution model of multiphase ISM (Springel & Hernquist 2003)
- Provided by Volker Springel

Gadget Code

Radiative cooling:

- Compute cooling function for a gas of primordial composition (H, He)
(Katz et al. 1996; Springel & Hernquist 2003)
- The abundances of the various ionization states of H and He,
assuming ionization equilibrium in the presence of an external UV background field
(Haardt & Madau 1996)

Star formation:

- Conditions: $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} < 0$
 $\rho_{\text{gas}} > \rho_{\text{th}}$
Jeans unstable ($\tau_{\text{sound}} = h/c_s > \tau_{\text{dyn}} = 1/\sqrt{4\pi G\rho}$)
 $T < T_{\text{th}}$
- Star formation : $d \rho_{\text{stars}}/dt = (1-\beta) \rho_{\text{cold}} / t_{\text{star}}$
 β = mass fraction of the massive stars ; m =mass of an SPH particle
- t_{star} is chosen to match observation (Kennicutt 1998)

Supernova feedback:

- Massive stars ($> 8 M_{\odot}$, $\beta=0.1$) die instantly, releasing 10^{51} erg/SN to the ambient gas
- The energy heats the ISM and evaporates cold clouds \longrightarrow “self-regulated cycle” for SF

Initial Models

- Disk galaxy model: D ($M = 126 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$, $R_{\text{vir}} = 250 \text{ kpc}$)
- Elliptical galaxy model: EH ($M = 252 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$, $R_{\text{vir}} = 350 \text{ kpc}$)
- Cluster model: C ($M = 10000 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$, $R_{\text{vir}} = 1 \text{ Mpc}$)

$$D : M_{\text{halo,DM}} + M_{\text{bulge,*}} + M_{\text{disk,*}} + M_{\text{disk,gas}}$$

$$(120) + (1) + (4.4 + 0.6)$$

disk gas fraction = 0.12 (12%)

$$EH : M_{\text{halo,DM}} + M_{\text{halo,gas}} + M_{\text{bulge,*}}$$

$$(237.6 + 2.4) + (12)$$

halo gas fraction = 0.01 (1%)

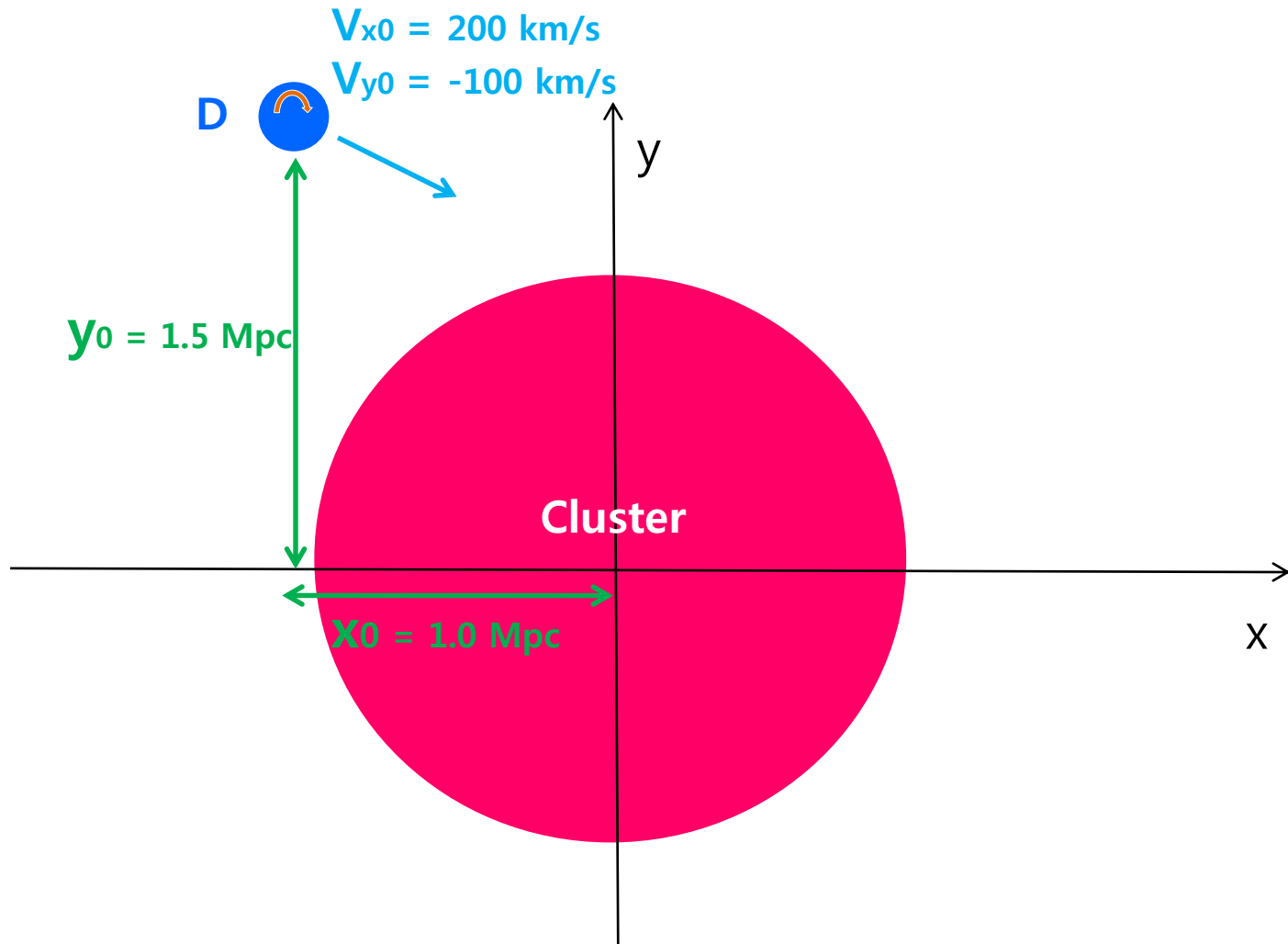
$$C : M_{\text{cl,DM}} + M_{\text{cl,gas}}$$

$$(9000 + 1000)$$

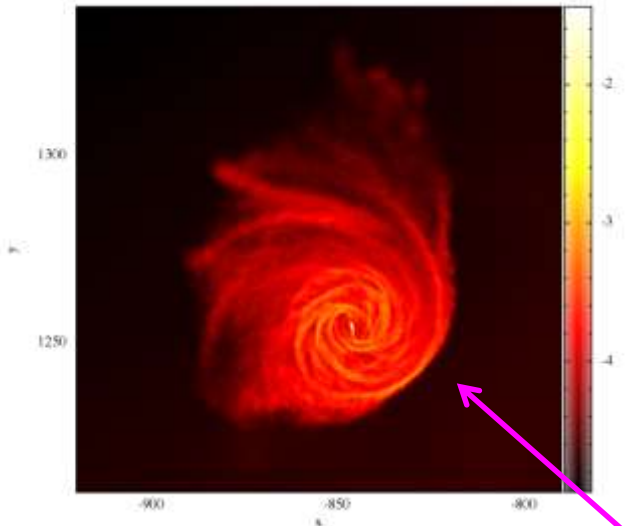
cluster gas fraction = 0.1 (10%)

- DM Halo: NFW profile
- Gas Halo: Isothermal profile
- Stellar Disk: Exponential profile
(radial scale length = 3.5 kpc)
- Gas disk: Exponential profile
(radial scale length = 8.75 kpc)
- Stellar bulge: Hernquist profile

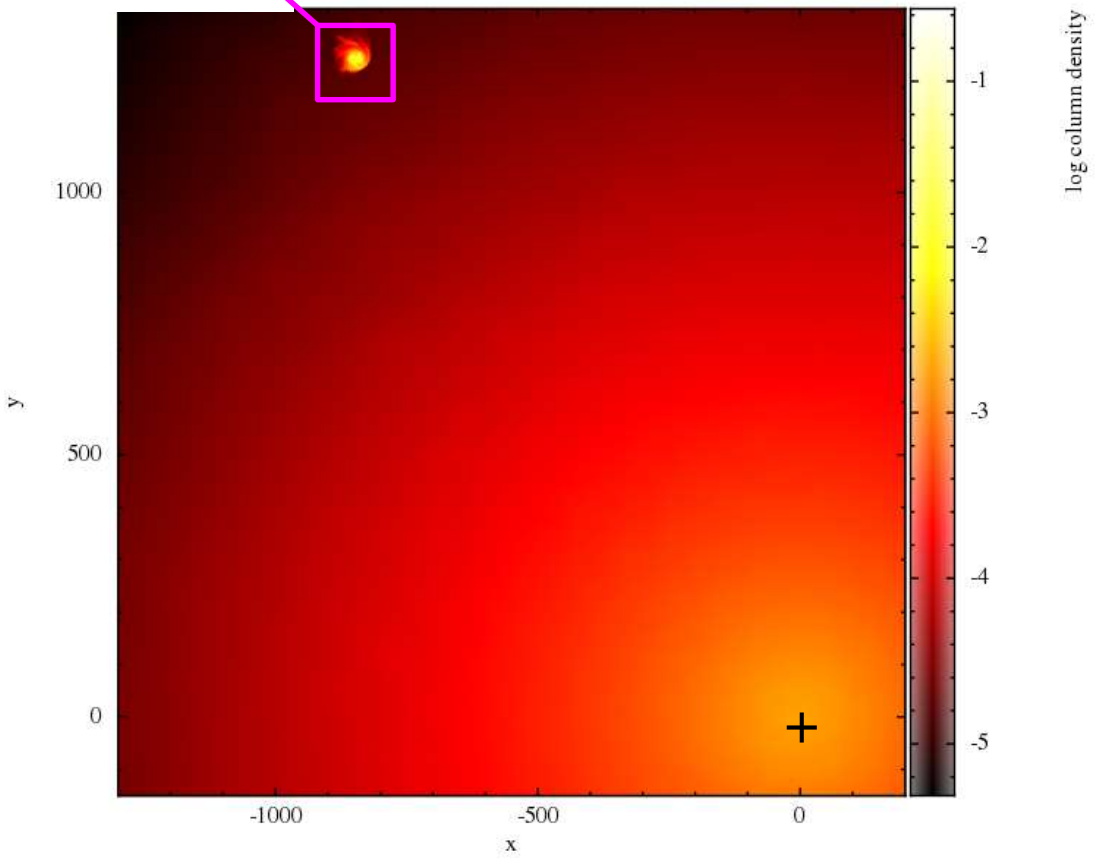
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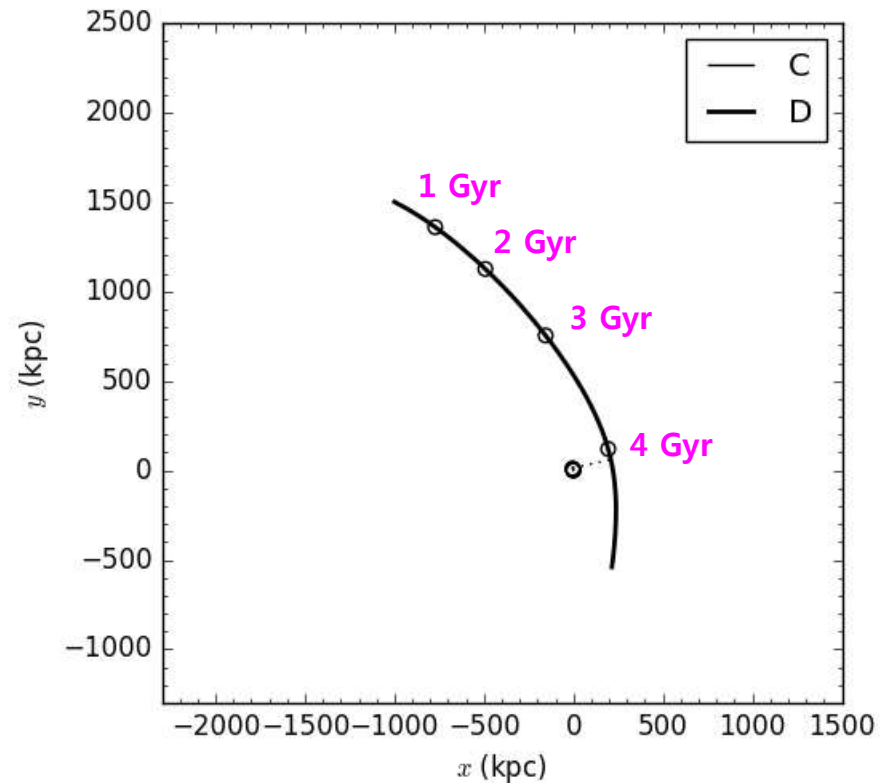
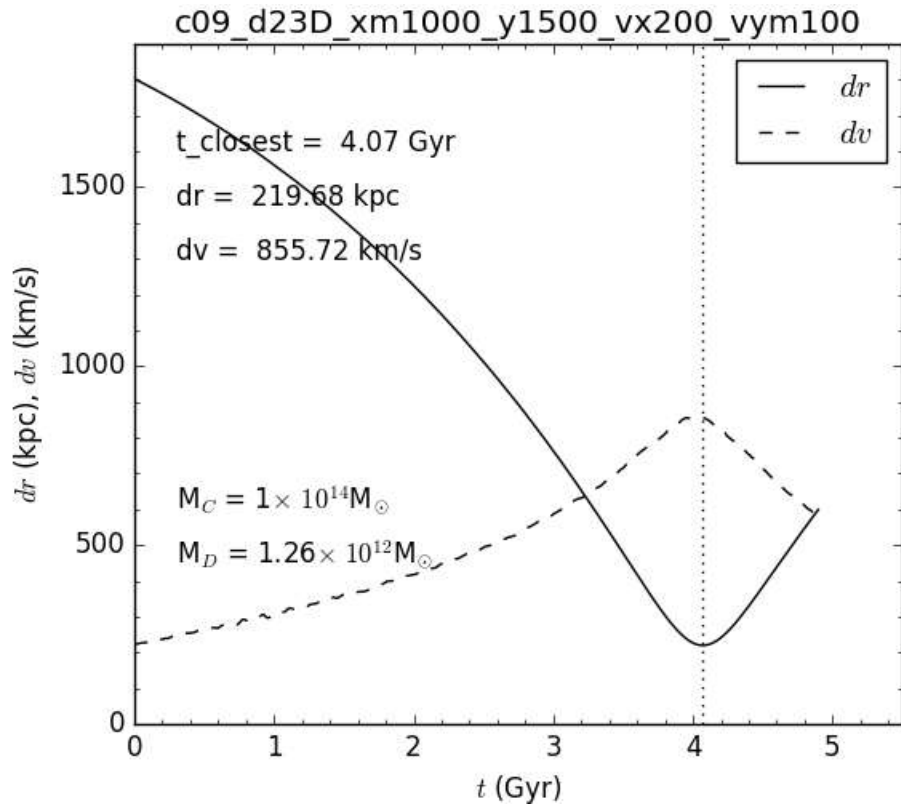
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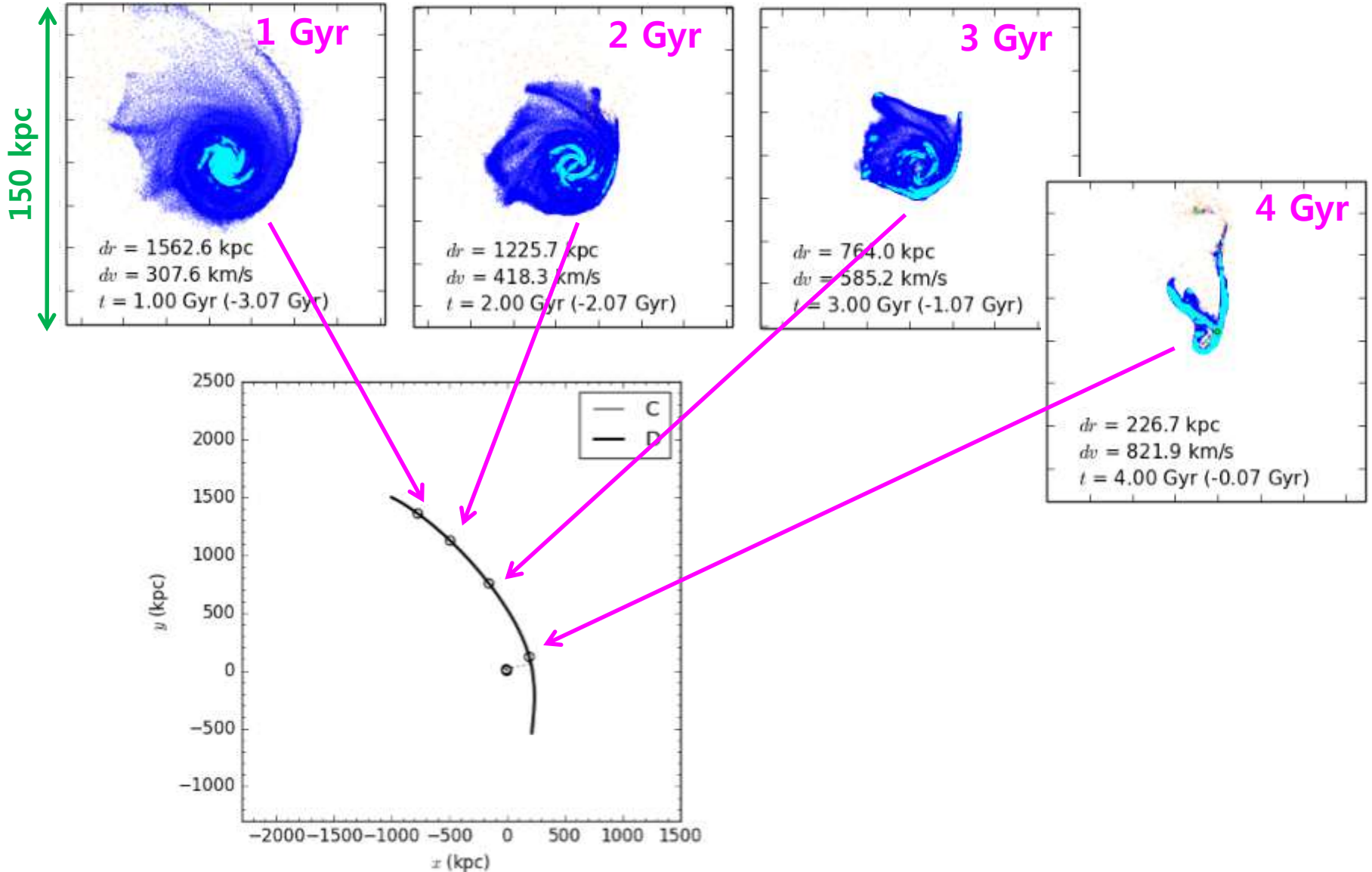
Color-bar: Log column density of gas
(disk gas + cluster gas)



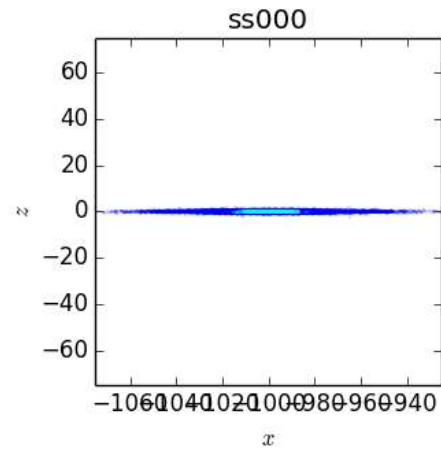
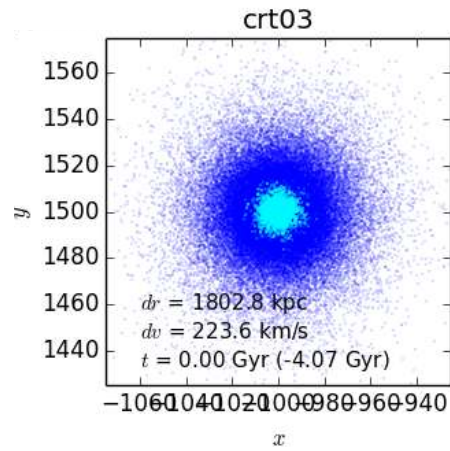
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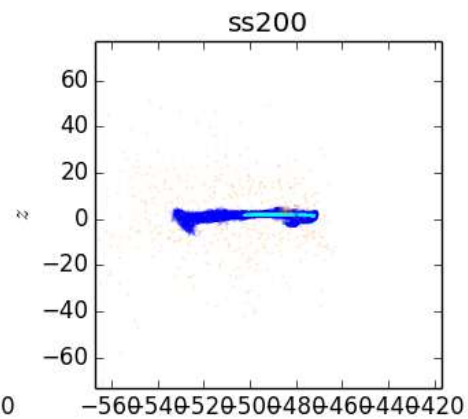
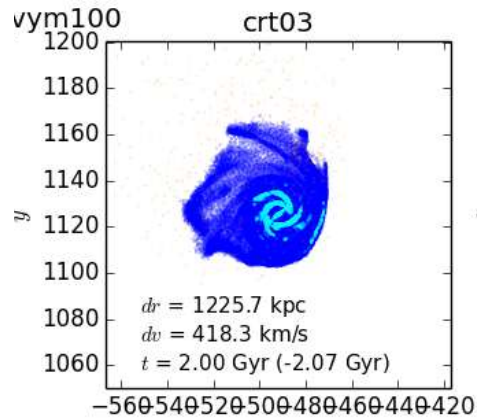
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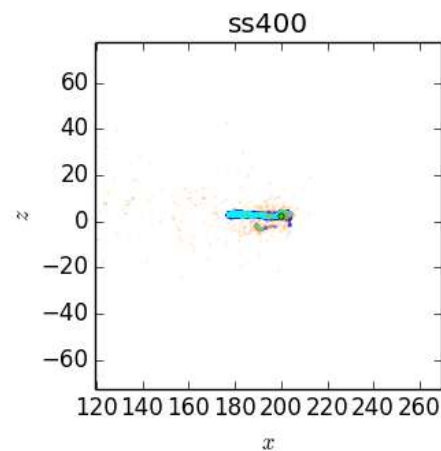
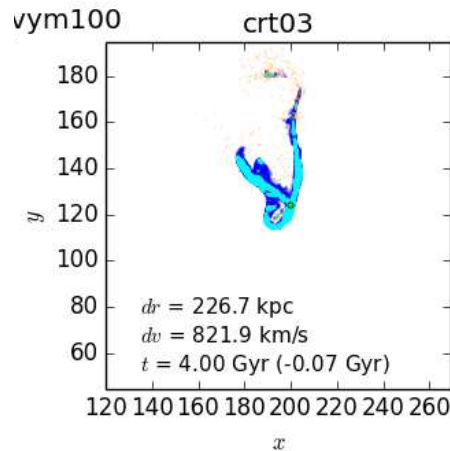
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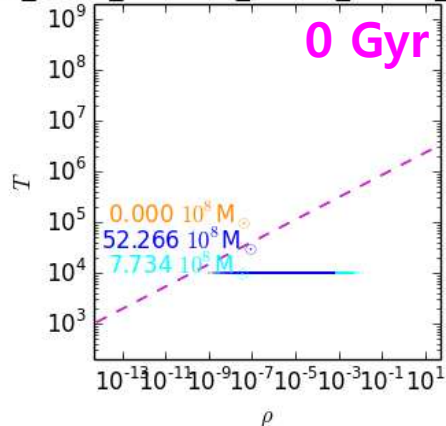
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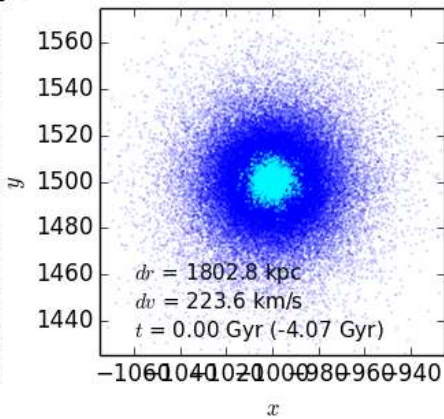
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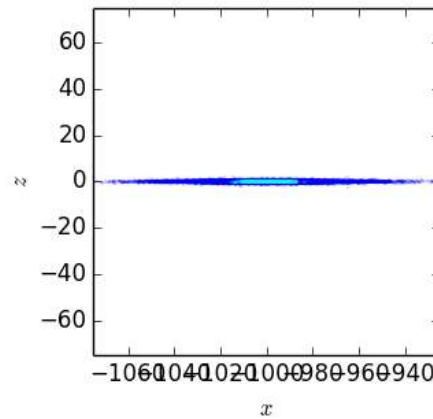
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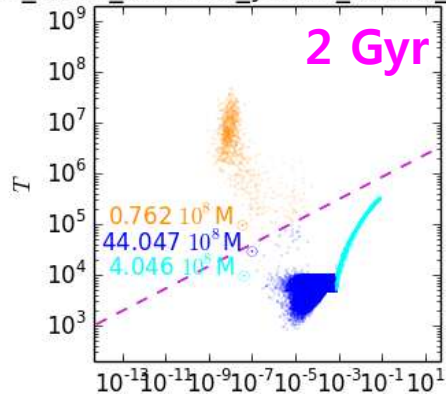
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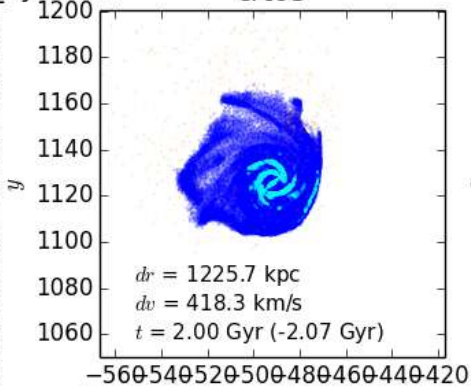
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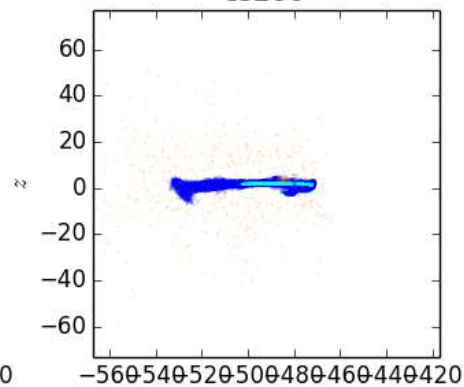
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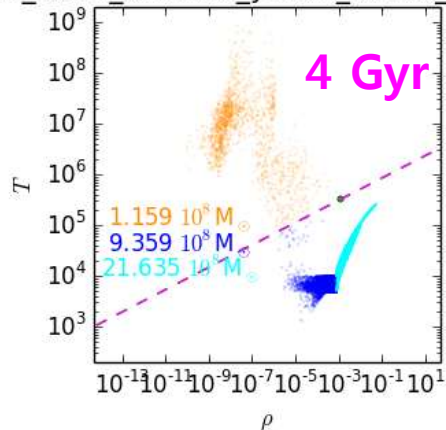
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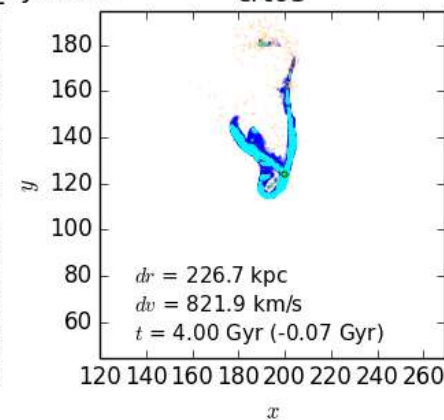
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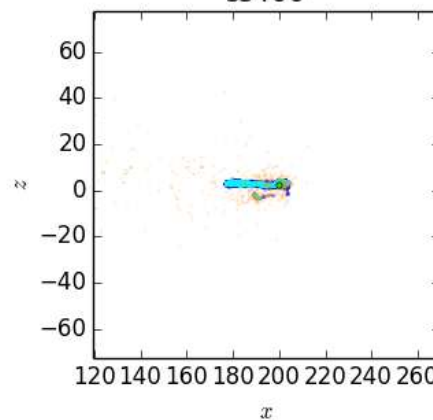
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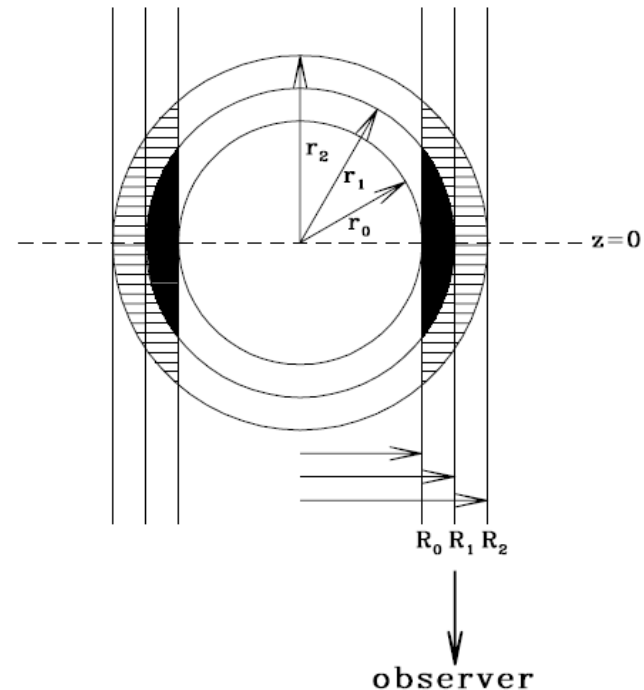
Coma Cluster Catalog

To estimate the number of interactions between D and other galaxies in the cluster

Coma Cluster catalog (provided by Ho Seong Hwang)

- 1088 member galaxies with 1.9 Mpc/h
- 2D projected positions ----> 3D positions,
using a geometrical deprojection algorithm [McLaughlin 1999]

- Assumption: spherical symmetry
- Projected radius: R_0, R_1, R_2, \dots
- Bands $R_1 \leq R \leq R_2, R_0 \leq R \leq R_1$
axial cross sections of cylinders
- 3D radius: r_0, r_1, r_2, \dots
- Shells are chosen such that
 $r_0 = R_0, r_1 = R_1, r_2 = R_2, \dots$



- If $r_2=R_2$ is the outer edge of the cluster, all galaxies seen in the outermost cylinder come from the outer shell (i.e., hatched regions between R_1 & R_2)

- Average volume number density of the outer shell:

$$n_{\text{cl}}(r_1, r_2) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\text{cl}}(R_1, R_2) \leftarrow \text{given}}{V_{\text{int}}(r_1, r_2; R_1, R_2)}$$

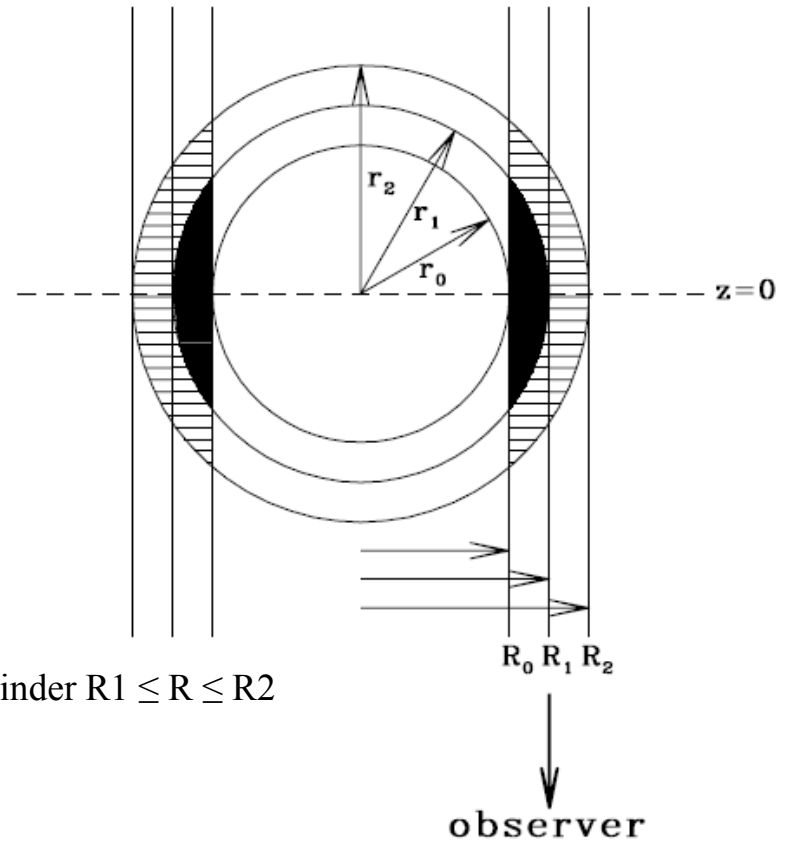
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volume of the shell $r_1 \leq r \leq r_2$ which is intersected by the cylinder $R_1 \leq R \leq R_2$

- Average volume number density of the inner shell:

$$n_{\text{cl}}(r_0, r_1) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\text{cl}}(R_0, R_1) - n_{\text{cl}}(r_1, r_2)V_{\text{int}}(r_1, r_2; R_0, R_1)}{V_{\text{int}}(r_0, r_1; R_0, R_1)}$$

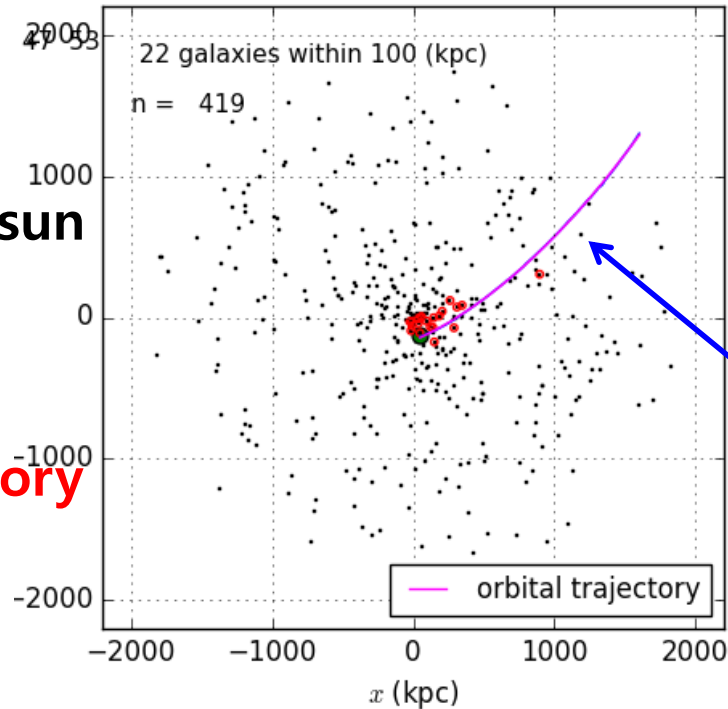
$$n'_{\text{cl}}(R_{i-1}, R_i) = \frac{\mathcal{N}_{\text{cl}}(R_{i-1}, R_i) - \sum_{j=i+1}^m [n_{\text{cl}}(R_{j-1}, R_j)V_{\text{int}}(R_{j-1}, R_j; R_{i-1}, R_i)]}{V_{\text{int}}(R_{i-1}, R_i; R_{i-1}, R_i)}$$



Coma Cluster Catalog & D-C Simulation

Black dots (419):
galaxies in the catalog
with $M^* > 1.0 \times 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$

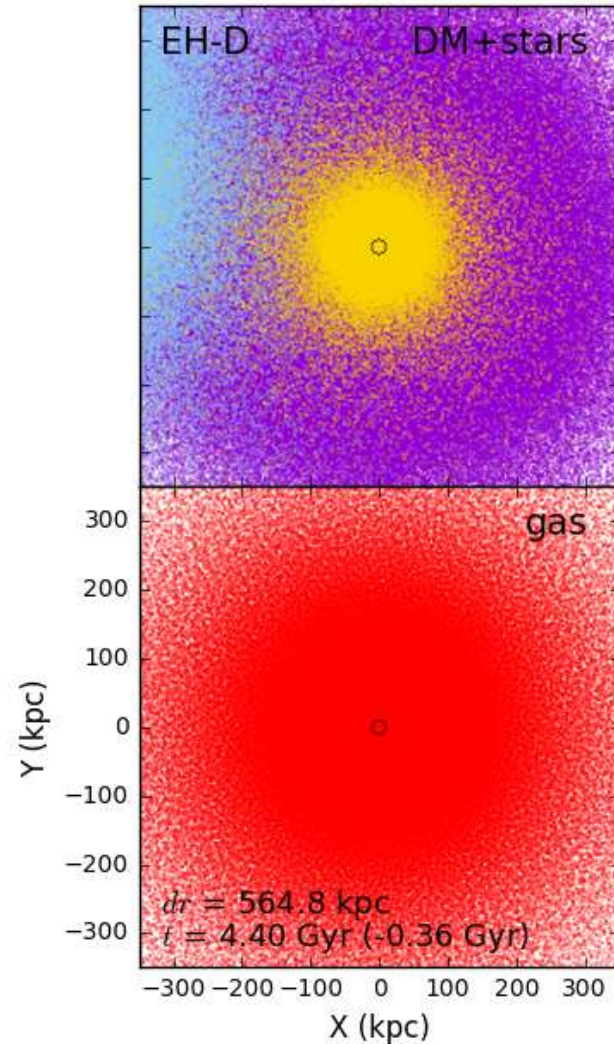
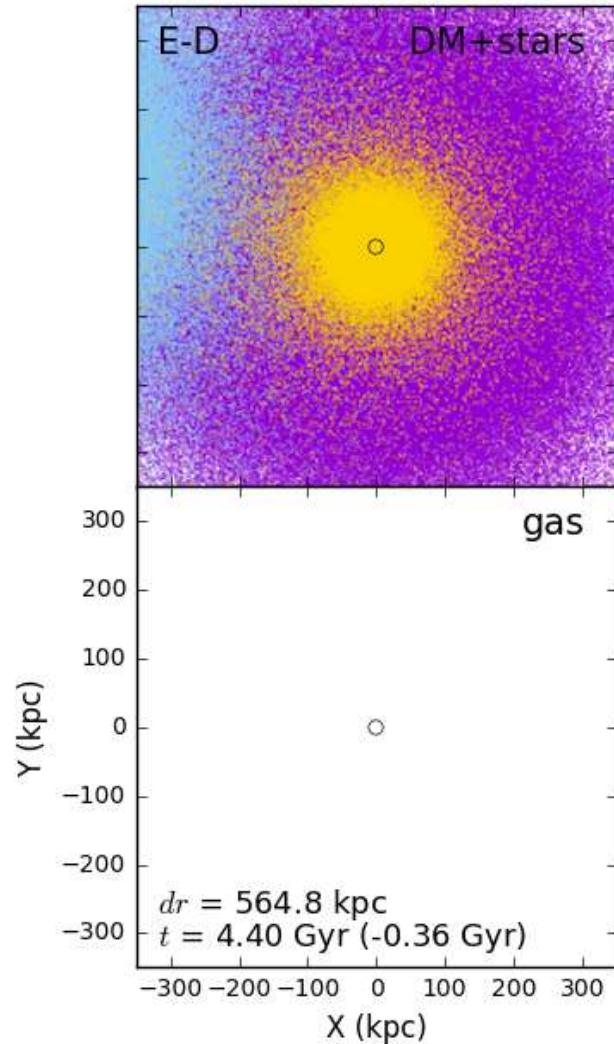
Red dots (22):
galaxies within 100 kpc
from the magenta trajectory



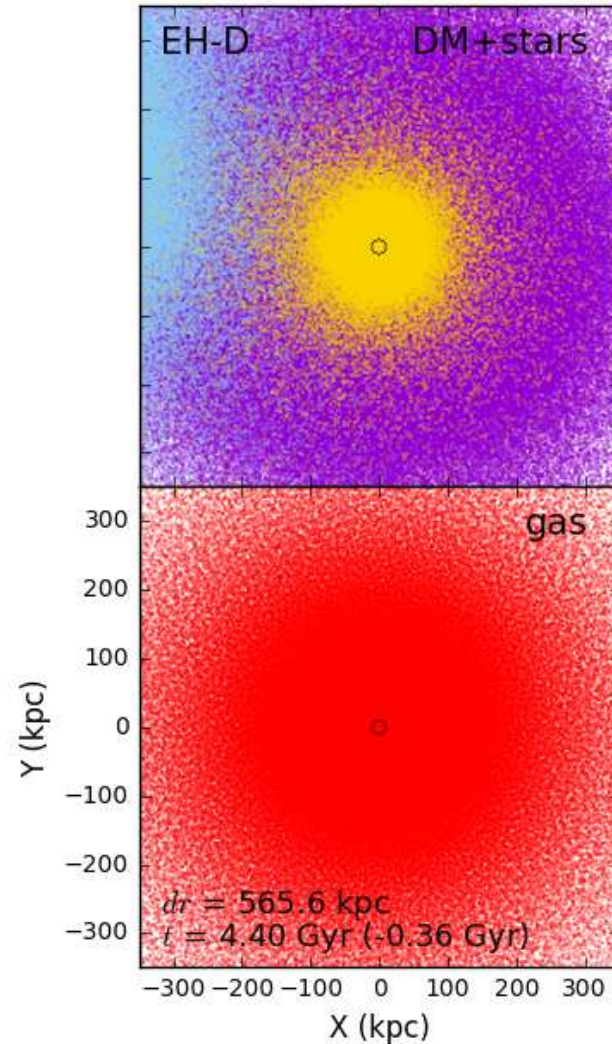
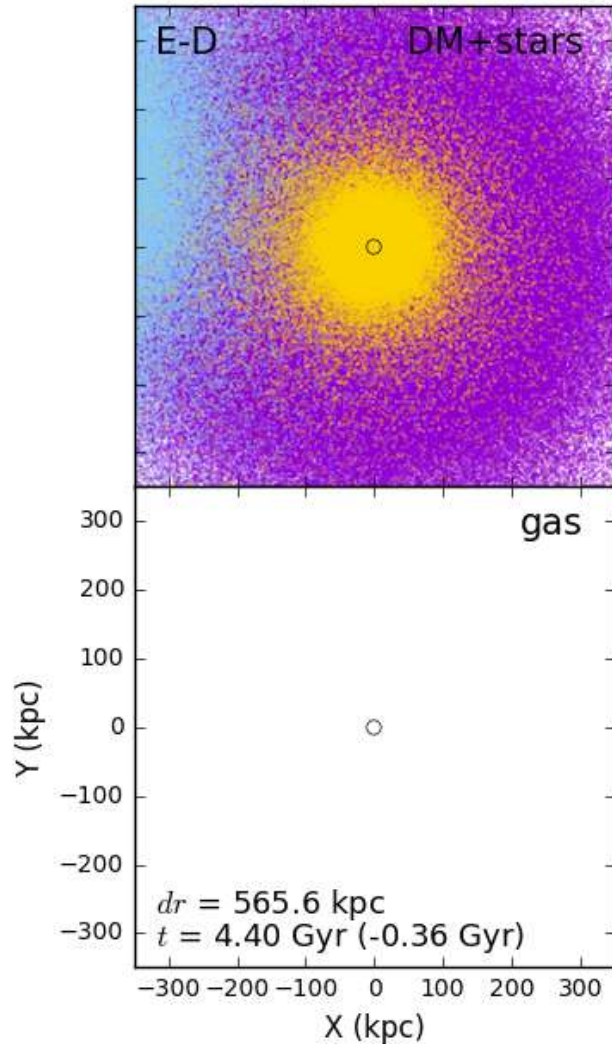
22 closest approach distances:

30.0, 39.6, 40.6, 50.2, 63.5,
68.2, 72.4, 73.3, 74.1, 74.3,
77.0, 85.5, 87.2, 88.3, 89.8,
91.0, 92.2, 92.3, 94.0, 95.1,
95.2, 96.2

Galaxy-Galaxy fast flyby (face on)



Galaxy-Galaxy fast flyby (edge on)



Thank you! :-)