

# Checking a dark matter origin of a spectral line

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## Dark matter decay signal

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- If the signal found in Willman 1 is due to DM decay – we expect **detectable** signals from other objects.

- Decay flux is proportional to average **DM column density** within the FoV:

$$S = \int_{\text{l.o.s.}} \rho_{\text{DM}}(r) dl$$

- Expected flux from another object:

$$F_X = F_{\text{Wil 1}} \times \frac{S_X}{S_{\text{Wil 1}}}$$

- (Signal/Noise)  $\propto S_X \times \sqrt{\text{Time} \cdot \text{Area} \cdot \Omega_{\text{fov}} \cdot \Delta E}$   
⇒ *XMM-Newton* usually provides an improvement in (Signal/Noise)  
Collection area of EPIC cameras  $\sim 4$  times larger; FoV  $\sim 13'$

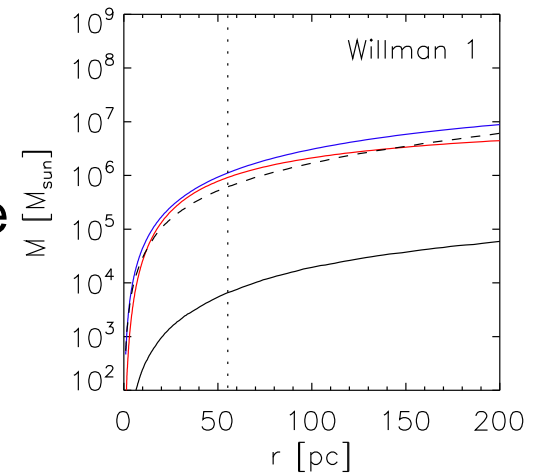
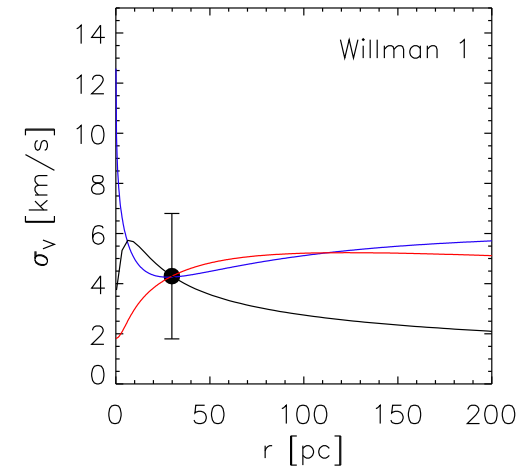
# Observational targets

$$\Delta(\text{Signal/Noise}) \propto \frac{\mathcal{S}_X}{\mathcal{S}_{\text{Wil 1}}} \times \sqrt{\text{Time} \times \text{Area} \times \Omega_{\text{fov}} \times \Delta E}$$

- DM content in Willman 1 (adopted in [Loewenstein & Kusenko'09])

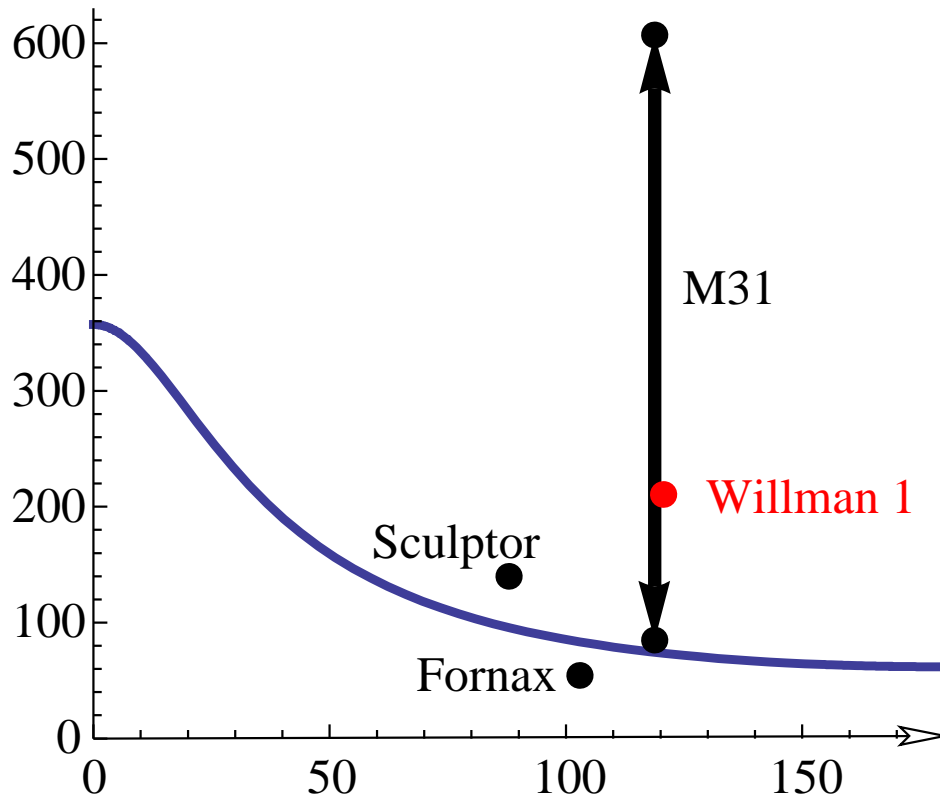
$$\mathcal{S}_{\text{Wil 1}} \simeq 210 M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}$$

- This estimate is based on [Strigari et al.'08]
- In [arXiv:1001.0644] we used this estimate to be conservative



# Observational targets

$S_{MW} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{pc}^2$



Objects for which archival data is available (used in [\[arXiv:1001.0644\]](#))

■ **Fornax dSph (XMM)**

$$S_F = 54.4 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$$

■ **Sculptor dSph (Chandra)**

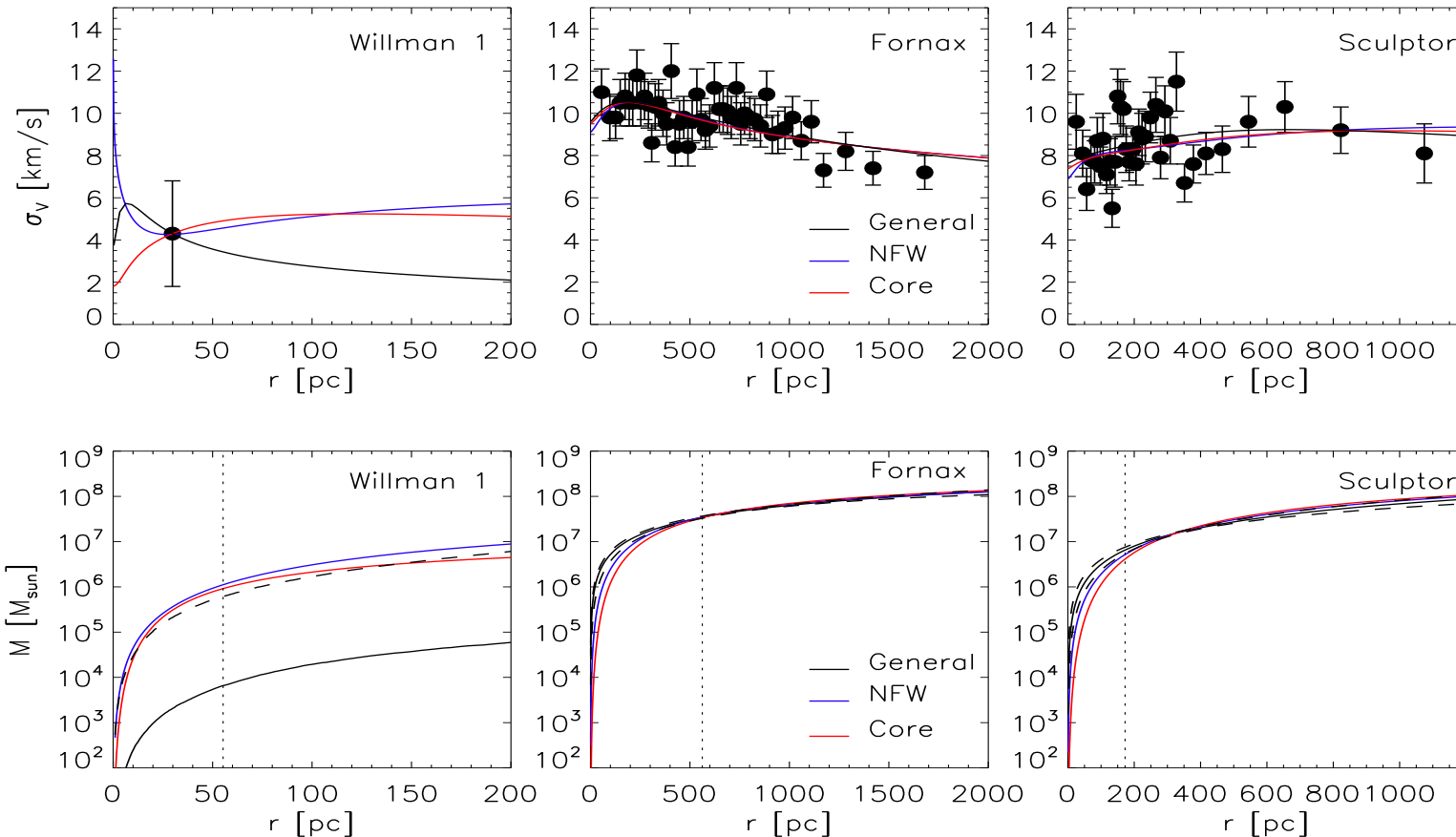
$$S_{Sc} = 140 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$$

■ **Andromeda galaxy (M31)** :  $90 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2} < S_{M31} < 600 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2}$

■ **Milky Way** :  $70 M_{\odot} \text{pc}^{-2} \lesssim S_{MW} \lesssim 95$

[\[Boyarisky et al. PRL'06; A&A'07\]](#)

# DM in Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies

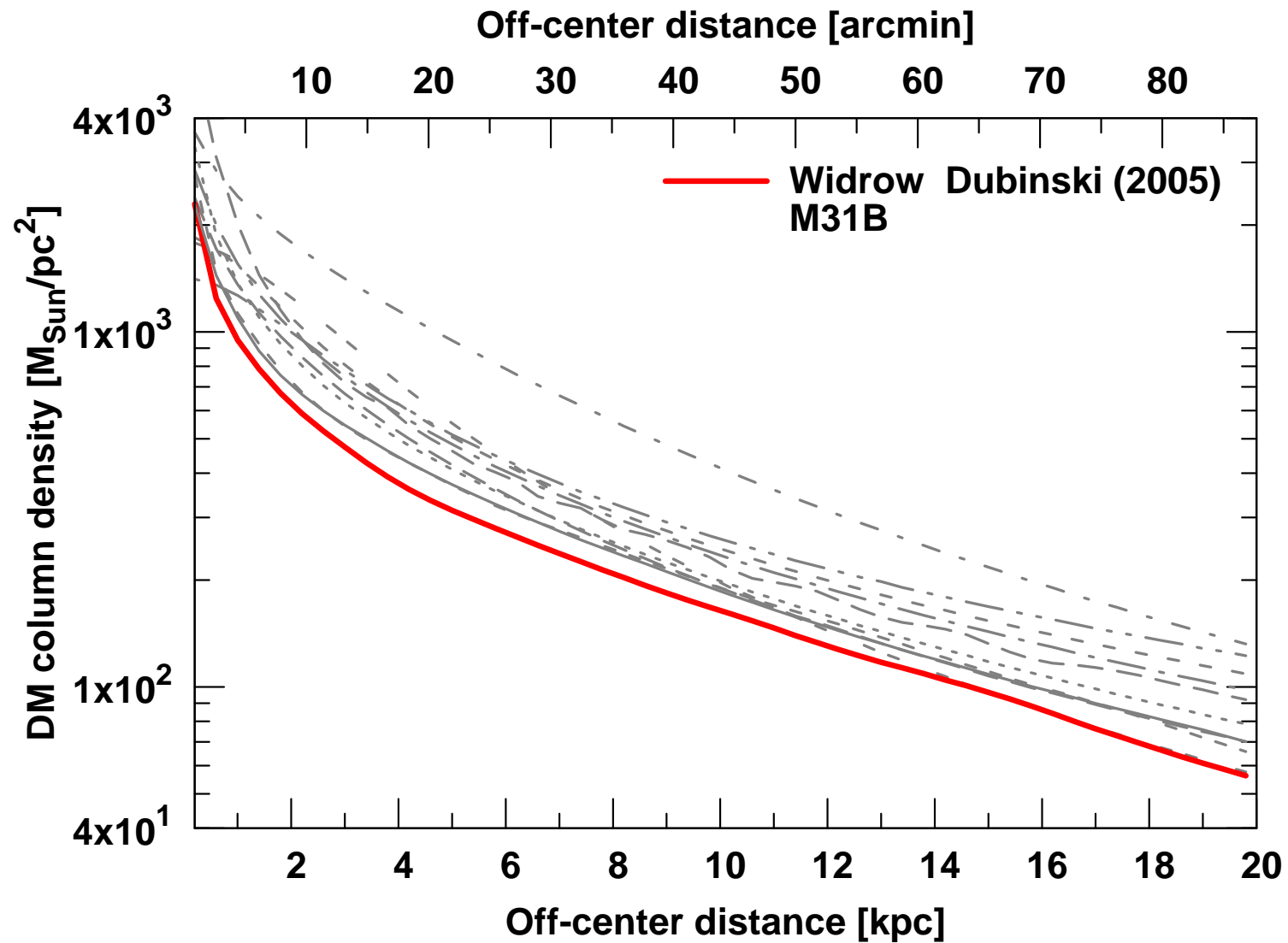


DM content in “classical” dSphs is much more certain. Very low diffuse emission in X-rays. Not much baryons. Classical dSphs – preferred observational targets.

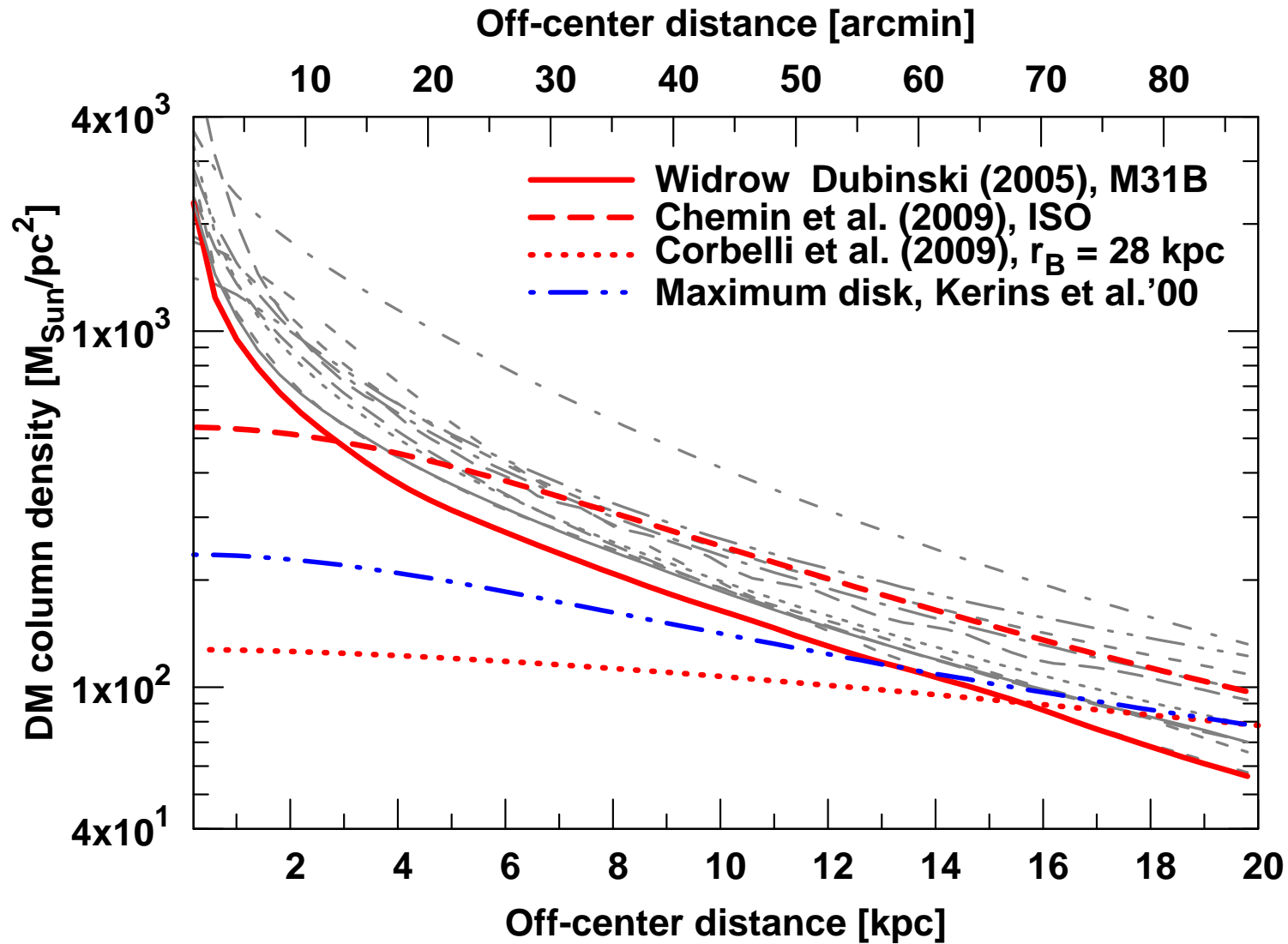
[Boyarsky, O.R. et al. PRL'06]

# DM in Andromeda galaxy (2008)

Boyarsky,  
O.R. et al.  
MNRAS'08



# DM in Andromeda galaxy (2010)



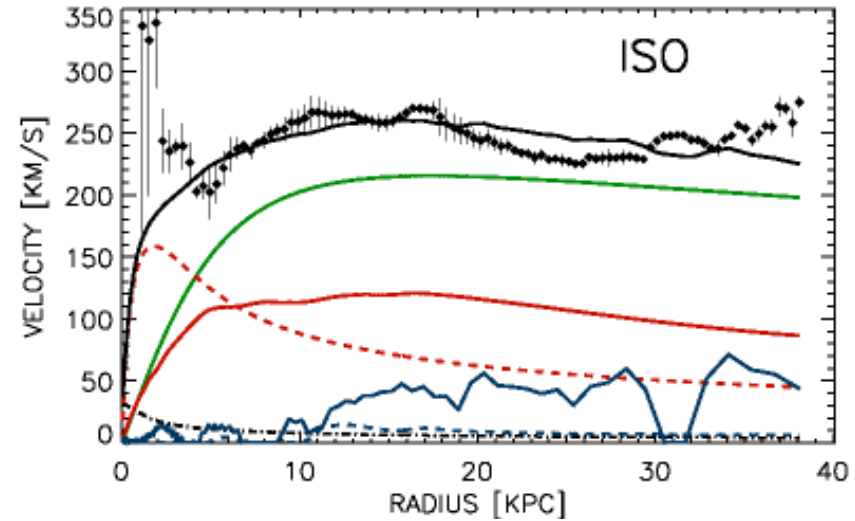
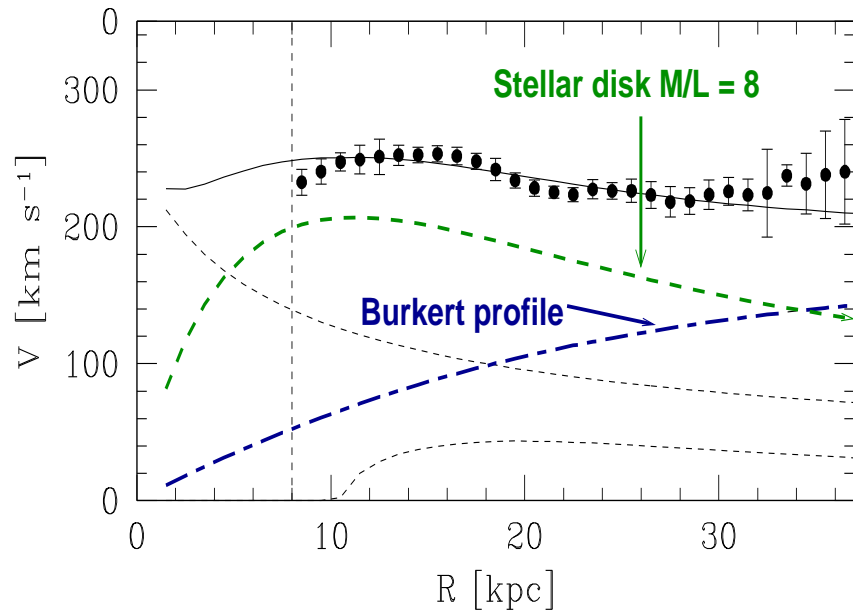
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Chemin et al.  
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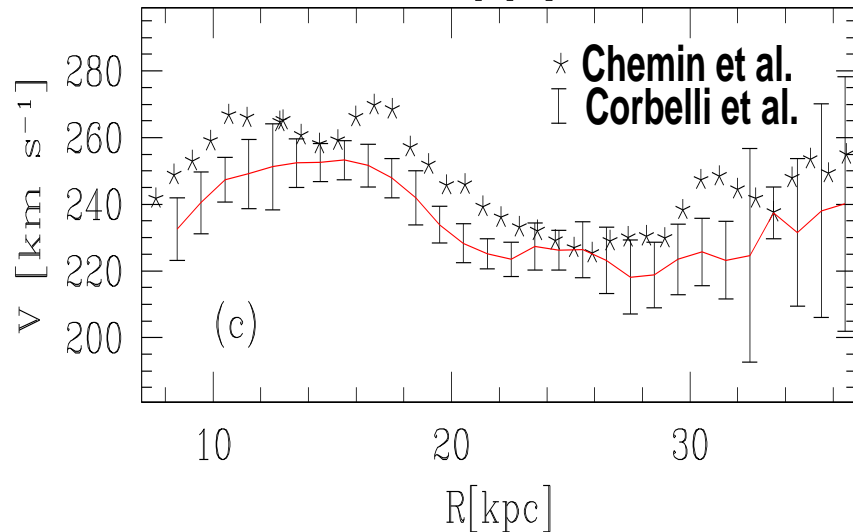
Corbelli et al.  
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Kusenko &  
Loewenstein  
1001.4055

# New data and mass-to-light ratio in M31



**Chemin et al. ApJ 2009 [0909.3846]**

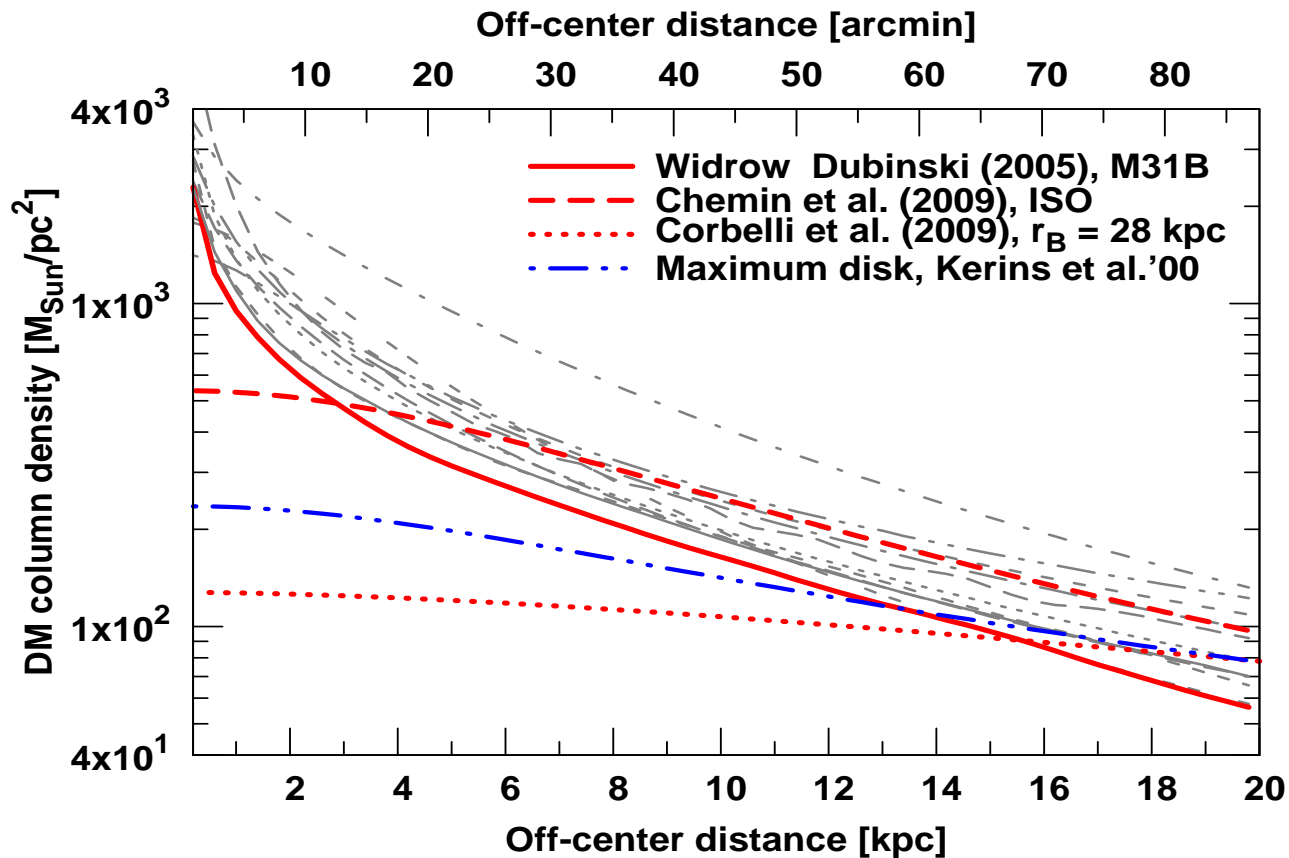


- New precise HI data resolve features within inner 5–8 kps
- **Chemin et al.** model this region
- **Corbelli et al.** exclude this region from the analysis

**Corbelli et al. A&A 2009 [0912.4133]**



# DM in Andromeda galaxy



- Bounds in [\[arXiv:1001.0644v1\]](#) are from 1–3 kpc and 2–8 kpc (based on the model by [\[Widrow & Dubinski'05\]](#))
- To be conservative in the final version we repeat the analysis for [\[Corbelli et al.'09\]](#) and added data from 10-20 kpc.



## Checking for DM line in M31

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Exclusion from Fornax + Sculptor dSph:	$2.44 - 2.58 \text{ keV}$ $5.9\sigma$	$2.30 - 2.72 \text{ keV}$ $4.1\sigma$
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### Andromeda galaxy

- Diffuse spectrum above 2 keV is a featureless power law

MNRAS'08  
[0709.2301]

	$2.44 - 2.58 \text{ keV}$	$2.30 - 2.72 \text{ keV}$
M31, $1 \text{ kpc} < R < 3 \text{ kpc}$ :	$22.7\sigma$	$20.1\sigma$
M31, 5 kpc off-center: circle radius 3 kpc	$10.4\sigma$	$10.4\sigma$
M31, both regions	$24.9\sigma$	$23.3\sigma$

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- Extremely significant exclusion from central 8 kpc of Andromeda!
- All bounds are based on the conservative DM estimate from [Widrow & Dubinski'05]!

# Checking for DM line in M31

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- Exclusion from Fornax and Sculptor dSphs:

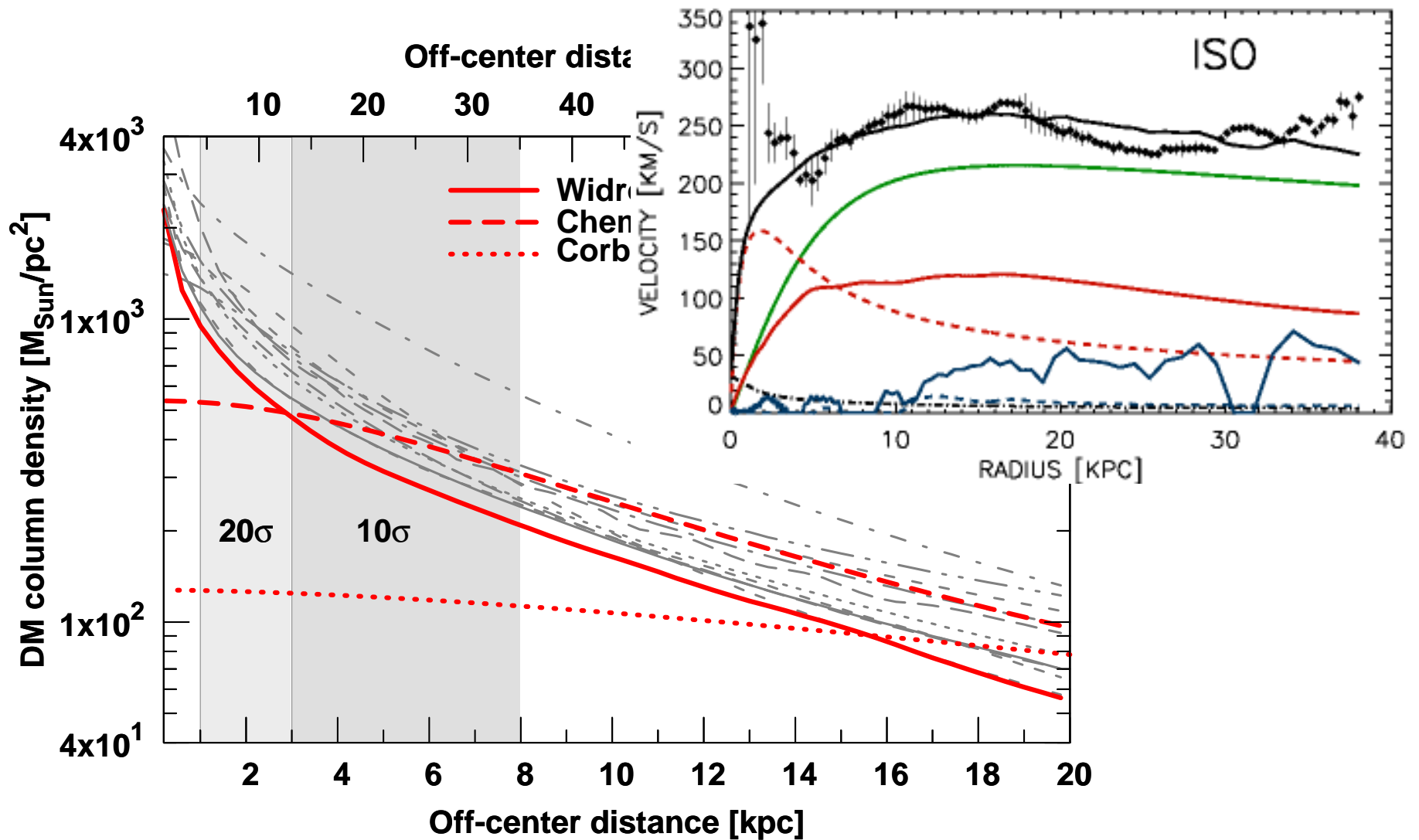
2.44 – 2.58 keV	2.30 – 2.72 keV
$5.9\sigma$	$4.1\sigma$

- Exclusion from **central 8 kpc of Andromeda**:

2.44 – 2.58 keV	2.30 – 2.72 keV	DM model
$24.9\sigma$	$23.3\sigma$	[Widrow & Dubinski'05]
$7.9\sigma$	$6.9\sigma$	[Corbelli et al.'09]

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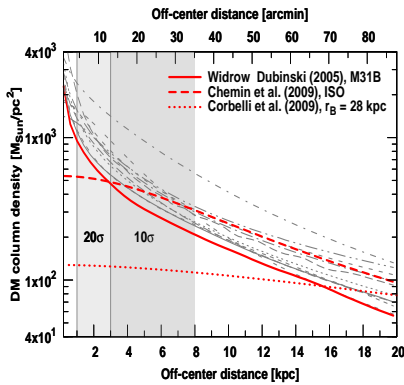
# Checking for DM line in M31



In the final version of the paper we processed observations in the region 10 – 20 kpc

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# Summary of exclusions



“Consensus model”  
(Widrow & Dubinski, M31B)

Minimal DM amount  
(Corbelli et al., Burkert  
profile,  $r_B = 28$  kpc,  
 $M/L = 8$ )

68% CL:  
2.44 keV –  
2.58 keV

99%CL:  
2.30 keV –  
2.72 keV

	68%CL	99%CL	68%CL	99%CL
M31 within 8 central kpc	$24.9\sigma$	$23.3\sigma$	$7.9\sigma$	$6.9\sigma$
M31 10–20 kpc off-center	$12.0\sigma$	$10.7\sigma$	$11.7\sigma$	$10.6\sigma$
All M31 obs.	$28.2\sigma$	$26.2\sigma$	$13.6\sigma$	$13.2\sigma$
All M31 + Fornax	$29.0\sigma$	$26.7\sigma$	$15.2\sigma$	$14.0\sigma$

- The DM origin of the spectral feature in Willman 1 at  $\sim 2.5$  keV is **excluded with  $14\sigma$  significance!**

## Future searches for the DM decay line

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- Decaying DM would **provide a comparable decay signal from many objects**. This allows to check the DM origin of any “suspicious” line
- XMM will probably not find DM in Willman 1
- This should not stop us from further searching! Classical dSphs remain the best observational targets. To really push down the exclusion one needs **prolonged** ( $\sim 1$  Msec) **dedicated observations** of classical dSph with X-ray observatories
- Real improvement would come from the new generation of X-ray spectrometers with the excellent spectra resolution and large FoV.
- **EDGE/XENIA** proposed for NASA’s *Cosmic Origins* and to ESA’s *Fundamental Physics Roadmap*



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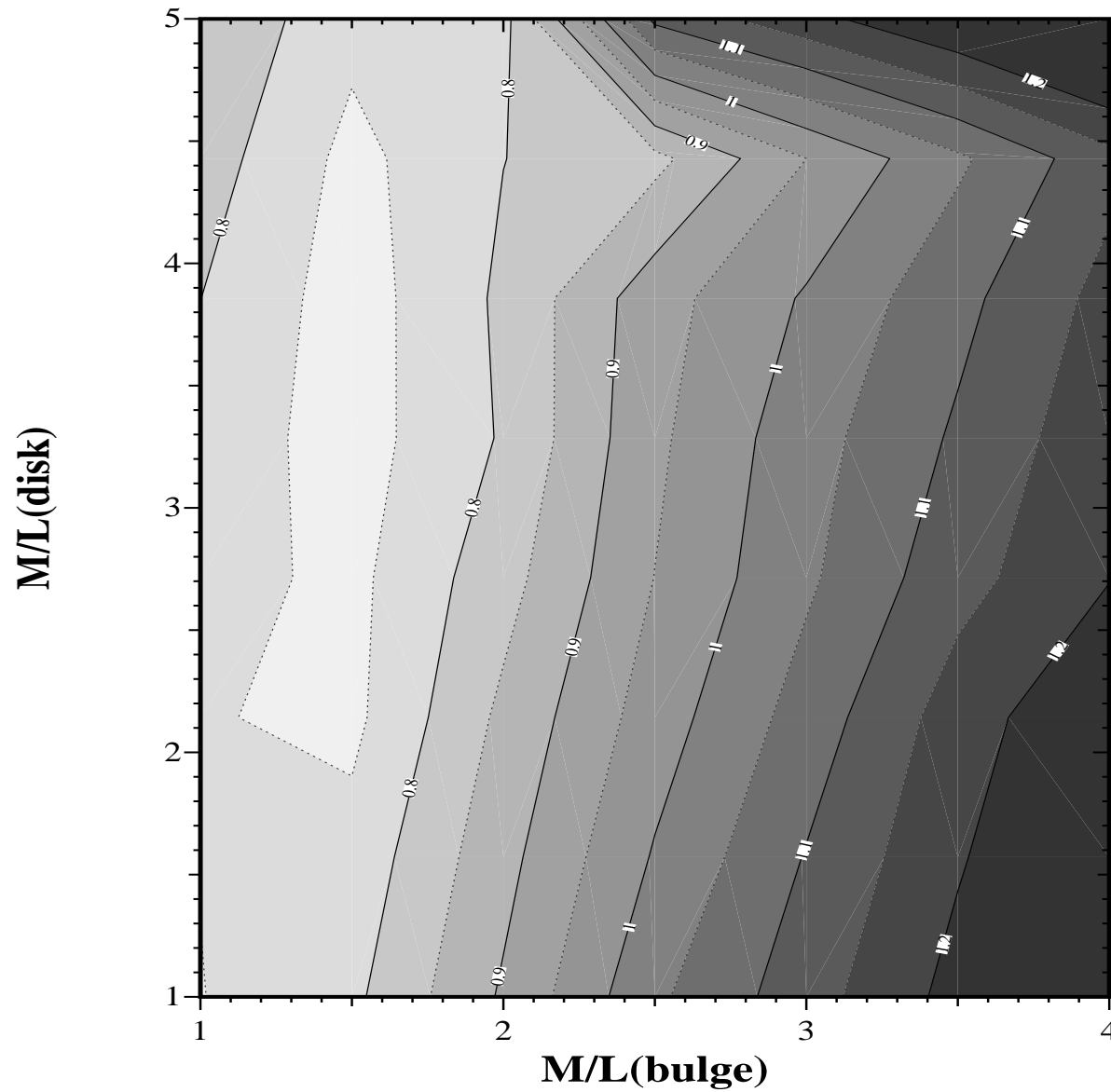
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ATTENTION**



# ADDITIONAL SLIDES

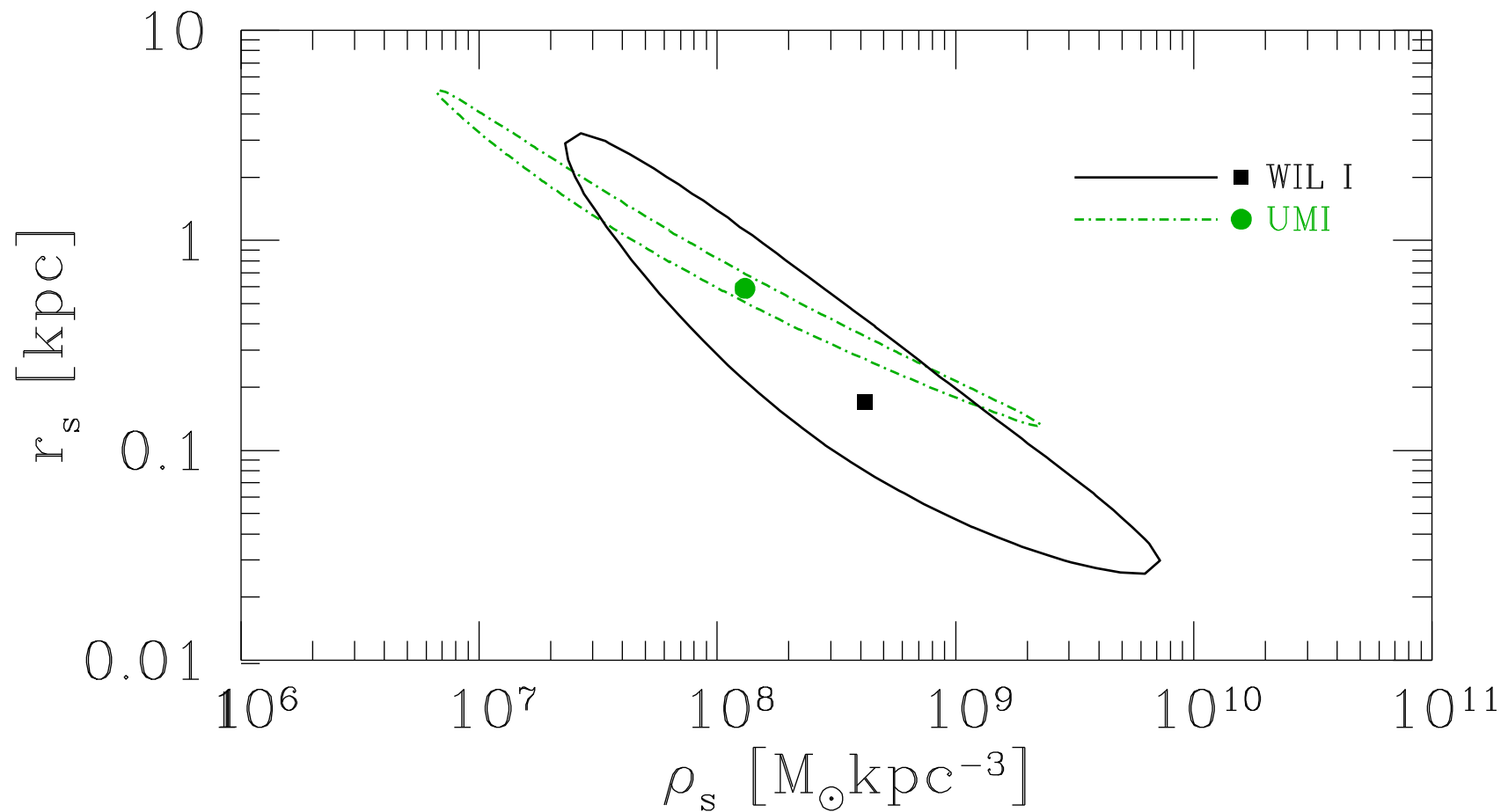
# Mass-to-light ratio in M31

Widrow &  
Dubinski'05



# DM in Willman 1

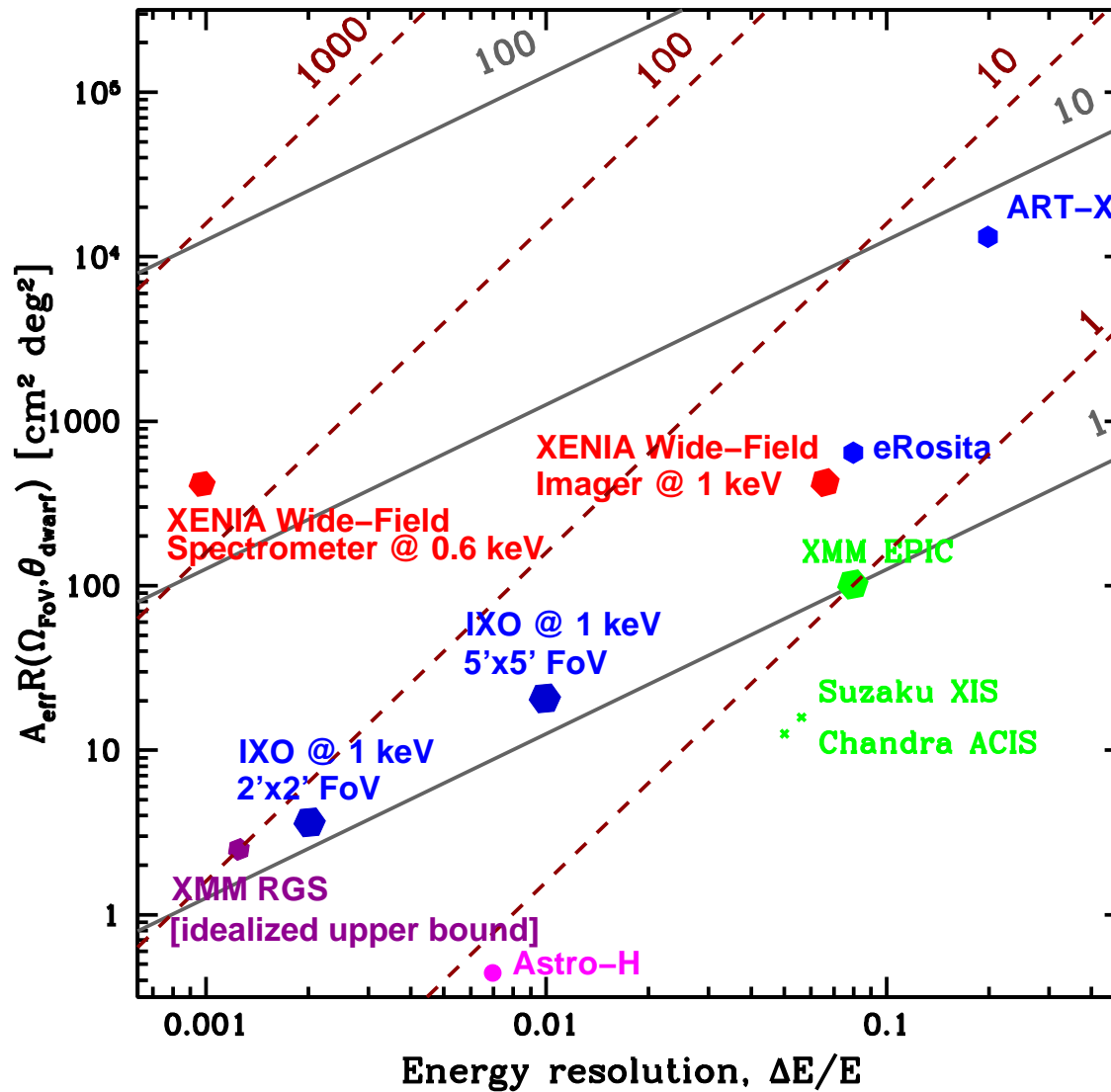
Strigari et al.'08



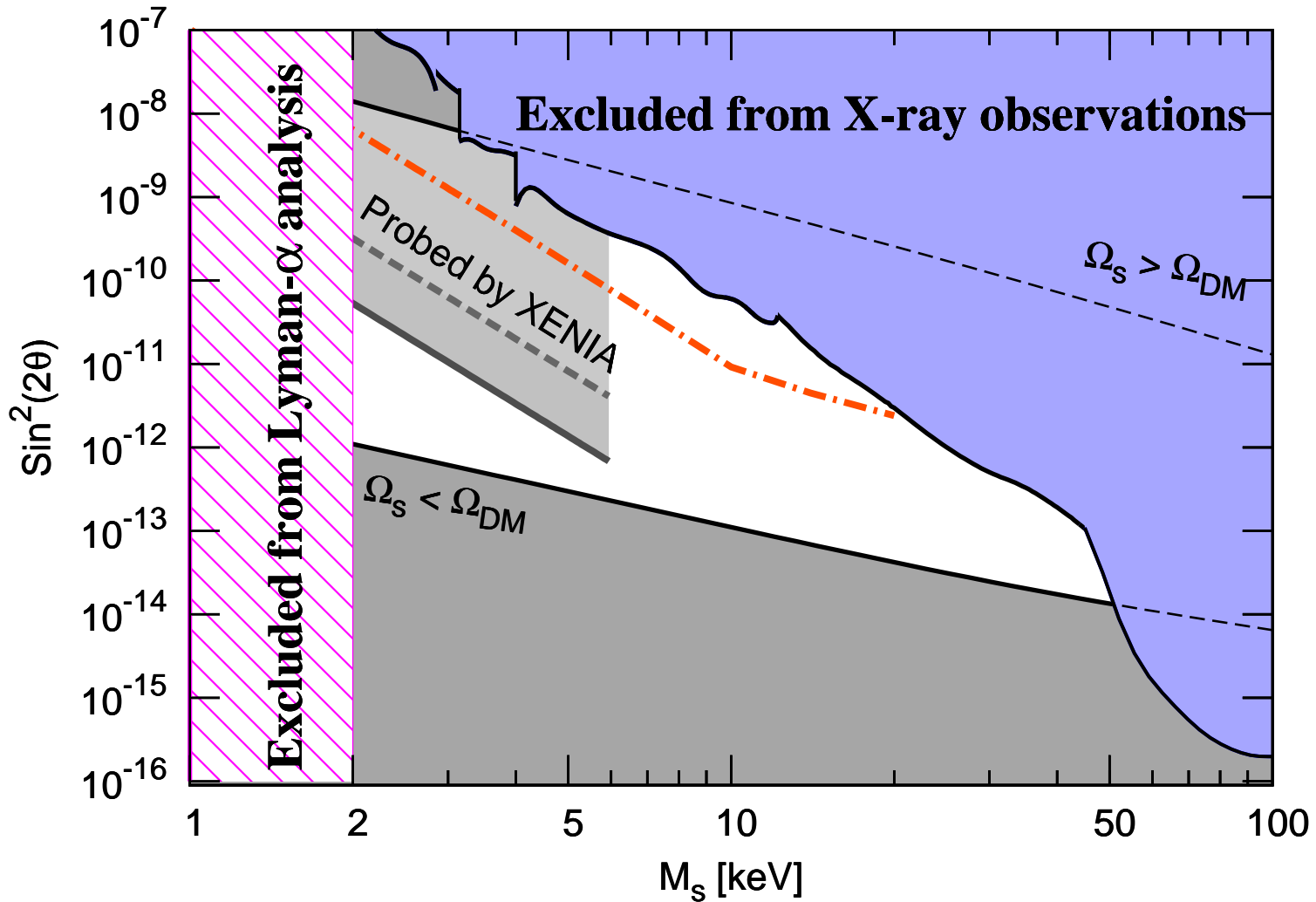
Uncertainty in  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{Wil 1}}$  is factor 2-3; for Ursa Minor  $\mathcal{S}_{\text{UMi}}$  changes by about 50% (within 90%CL).

# Future missions

Boyarsky, den  
Herder, O.R.  
et al.  
Astropart.'08;  
white paper  
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# Improved bounds on DM decay



## M31 observations

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ObsID	Cleaned exposure [ksec] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)	FoV [arcmin <sup>2</sup> ] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)
0109270101	16.8 / 16.7 / 15.3	335.4/ 336.0 / 283.6
0112570101	39.8 / 40.0 / 36.0	332.9/ 333.1 / 285.9
0112570401	29.8 / 29.9 / 23.5	335.6/ 336.1 / 289.5

Table 1: Cleaned exposures and FoV after the removal of point sources and OOT events (calculated using BACKSCAL keyword) of three M31<sub>on</sub> observations.

ObsID	Cleaned exposure [ksec] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)	FoV [arcmin <sup>2</sup> ] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)
0402560301	41.9 / 42.2 / 35.2	405.6/ 495.4 / 433.3

Table 2: Cleaned exposures and FoV (calculated using BACKSCAL keyword) of the observation M31<sub>off</sub> (obsID 0402560301). The significant difference in FoVs between MOS1 and MOS2 cameras is due to the loss CCD6 in MOS1 camera.

## M31 observations

ObsID	R [kpc]	Cleaned exposure [ksec] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)	FoV [arcmin <sup>2</sup> ] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)
0511380101	17.4	44.3 / 44.5 / 37.6	356.2 / 400.4 / 333.3
0109270401	17.2	38.5 / 38.4 / 33.5	387.8 / 384.1 / 366.7
0505760401	13.8	26.0 / 26.0 / 21.7	330.5 / 374.1 / 325.0
0505760501	13.2	23.8 / 23.8 / 19.8	344.8 / 395.2 / 313.2
0402561301	13.0	22.7 / 22.7 / 20.1	367.2 / 419.5 / 382.6
0402561401	13.0	39.3 / 39.3 / 33.7	349.9 / 408.3 / 343.6
0402560801	11.8	42.6 / 42.6 / 36.6	373.6 / 435.8 / 393.7
0402561501	11.0	38.5 / 38.5 / 34.0	369.3 / 421.0 / 407.5
0109270301	11.0	24.4 / 24.6 / 22.2	443.4 / 439.6 / 405.0

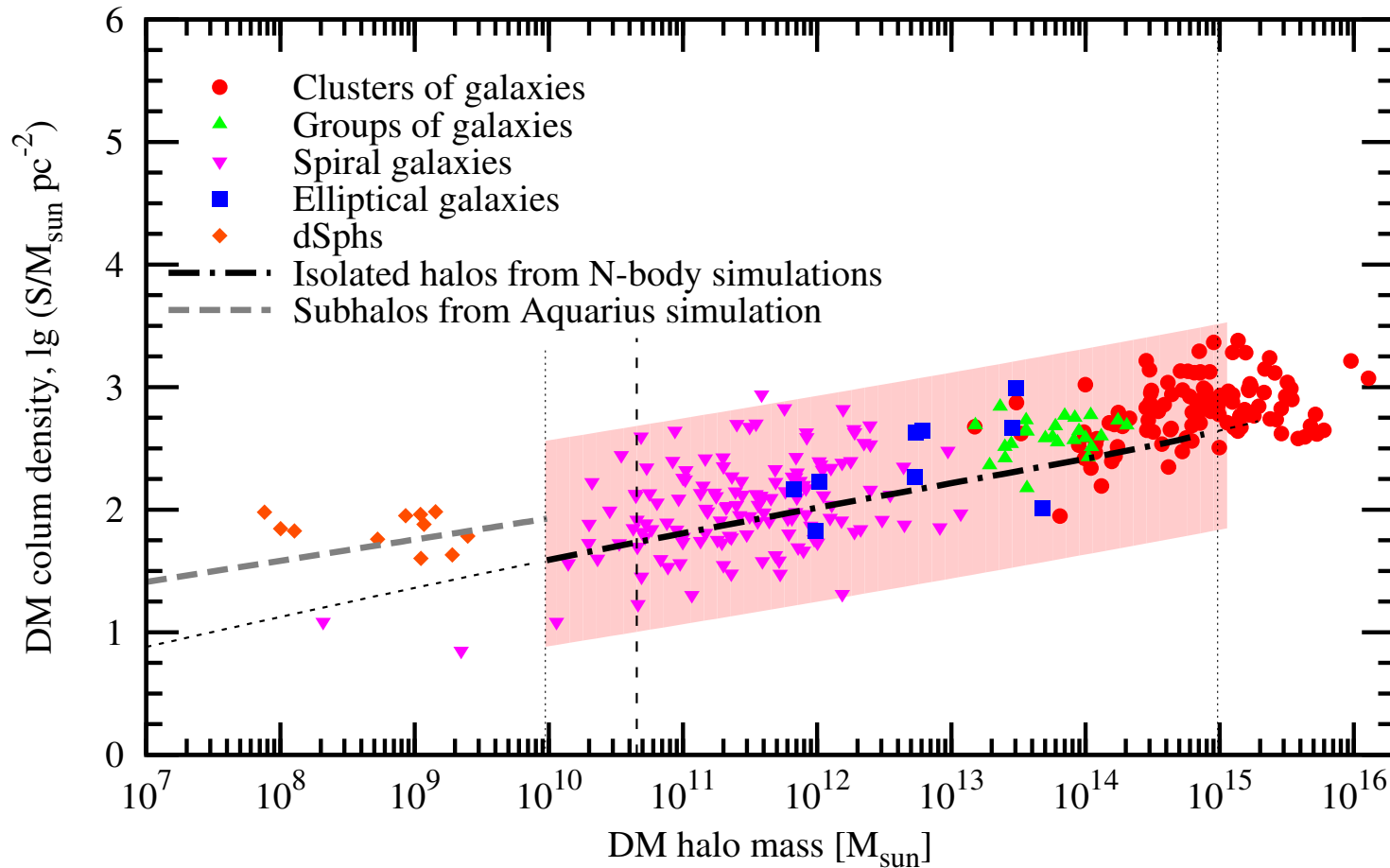
Table 3: Results of M31out observations.

XMM ObsID	Cleaned exposure [ksec] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)	FoV [arcmin <sup>2</sup> ] (MOS1 / MOS2 / PN)
0302500101	53.8 / 53.9 / 48.2	459.1 / 548.5 / 424.9

Table 4: Cleaned exposures of Fornax dSph observations

# DM column density

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$$S \sim (M_{\text{halo}})^{\approx 0.2}$$



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