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- **Milky Way formation**
  - Halo Stars first
  - Disk Stars

# Galaxies and Modern Cosmology

Chapter 20

# Questions of the day

- What patterns do we find among the properties of the galaxies?
- Which are the different types of galaxies?

# Types of galaxies

- Three major types
  - Spiral/disk galaxies
  - Elliptical galaxies
  - and “Lenticular” galaxies: transition between disk and elliptical types
  - Irregular galaxies

# Spiral/disk Galaxies

- Flat disk (often with a bulge at center), like the Milky Way
- Size of bulge and prominence of spiral pattern varies
- Disk contains **interstellar medium** (ISM) of cool gas and dust

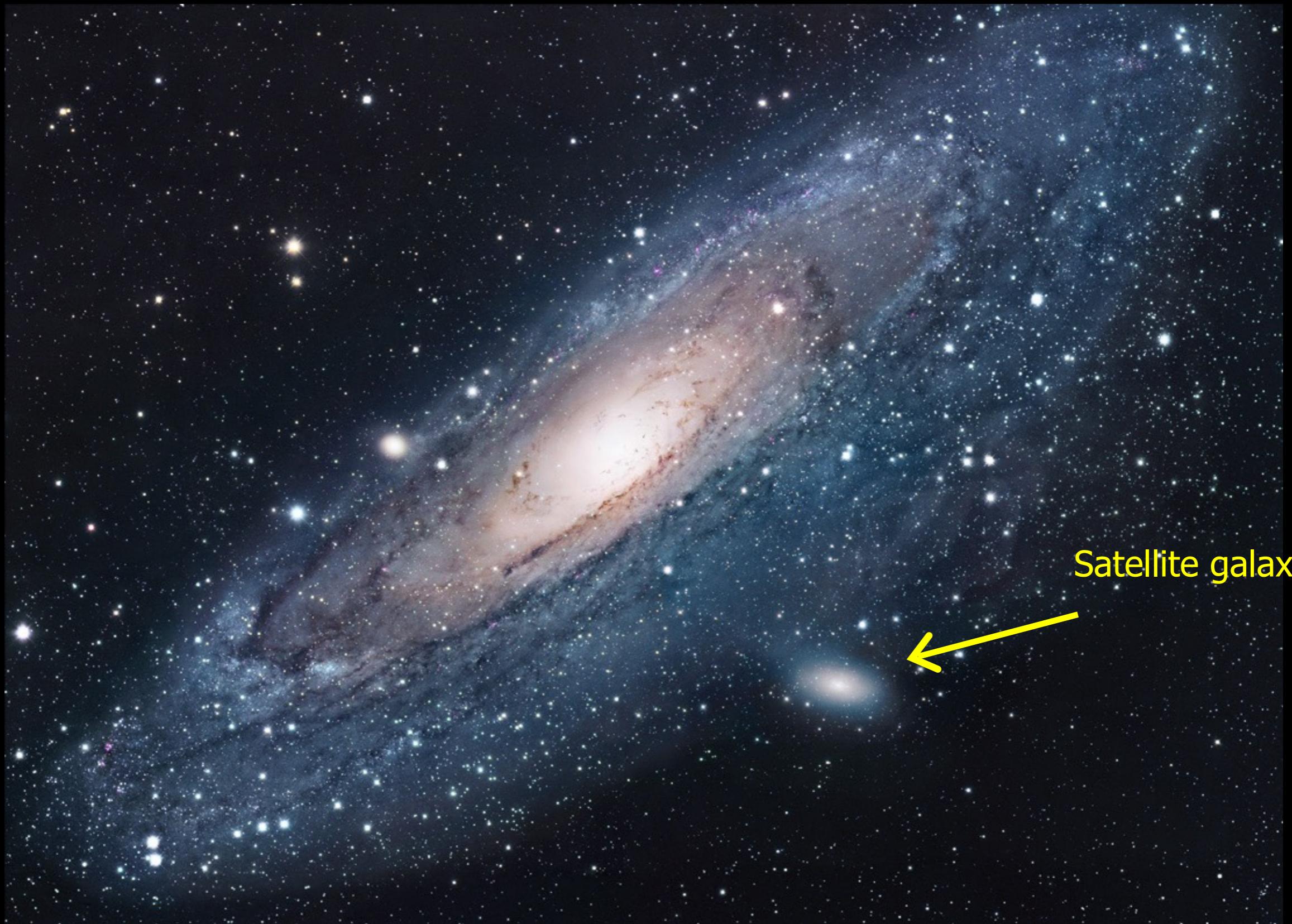
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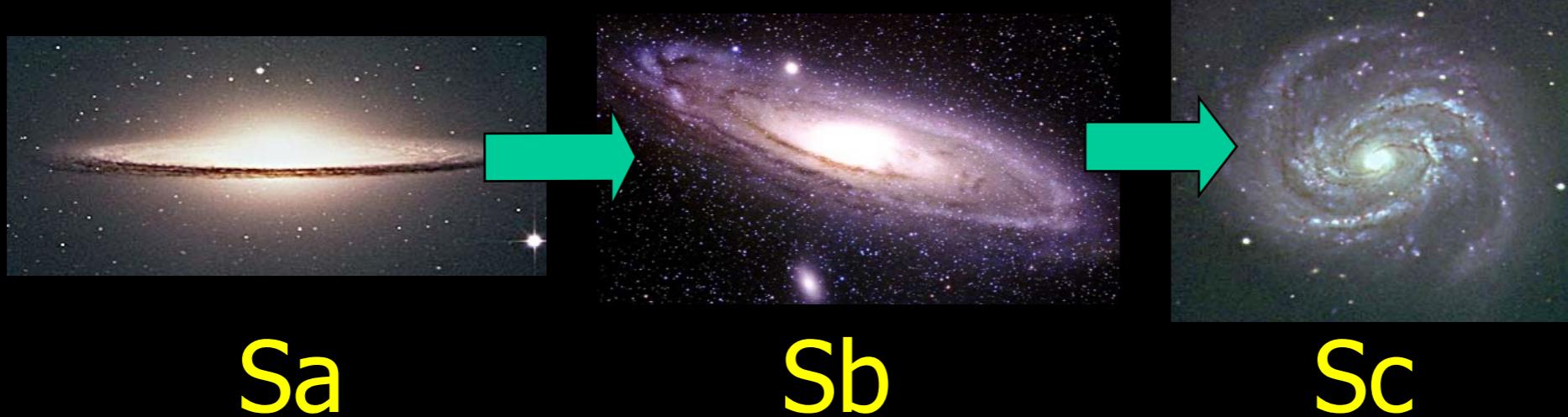


# Andromeda (M31) is also a spiral galaxy



# Classification of spirals

1. Lumpiness of the spiral arms (i.e. degree of resolution in knots, HII regions, etc)
2. “Bulge-to-Disk Ratio”
3. How tightly the spiral arms are wound



**Note: These are not exact trends. Galaxies are much more complex than stars. Features are often contradictory.**

# Classification of normal spirals:

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- **Sa:** Tightly wound spiral arms, small lumps, big bulge
- **Sb:** Smaller bulge, looser and lumpier arms (like M31)
- **Sc:** Lumpy arms, open arms, small bulge
- **Sd:** Lumpy spiral arms, but no (or minuscule) bulge

Many spiral galaxies have “bars” – linear arrangements of stars

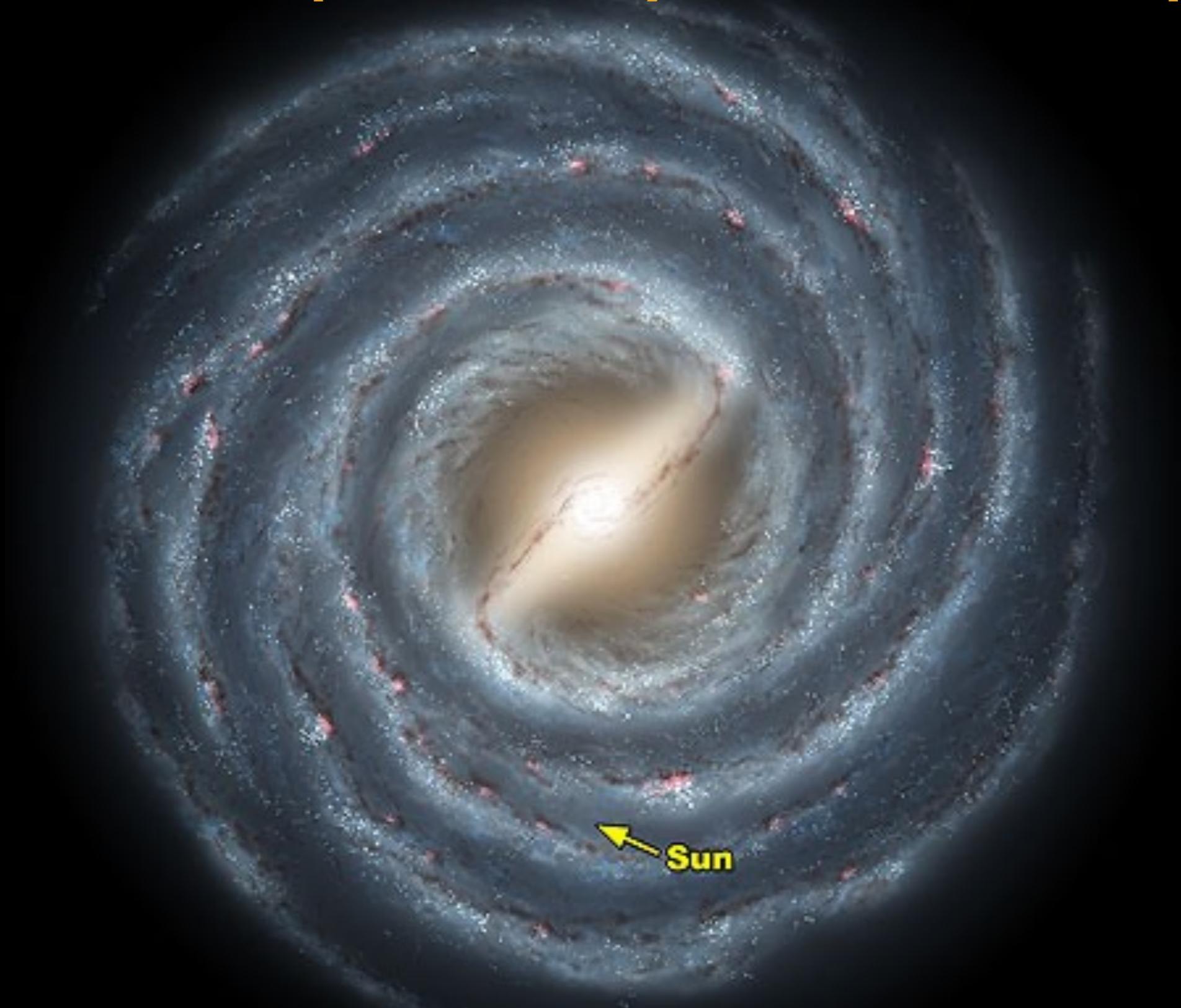
We classify these as SB\_



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NGC 1365

The MW is probably a barred spiral



# Elliptical galaxies



- All bulge (spheroid); no disk or spiral arms
- Little gas
- Probably old!

Evolved to the point where no gas is left for making new stars!

# Irregular galaxies

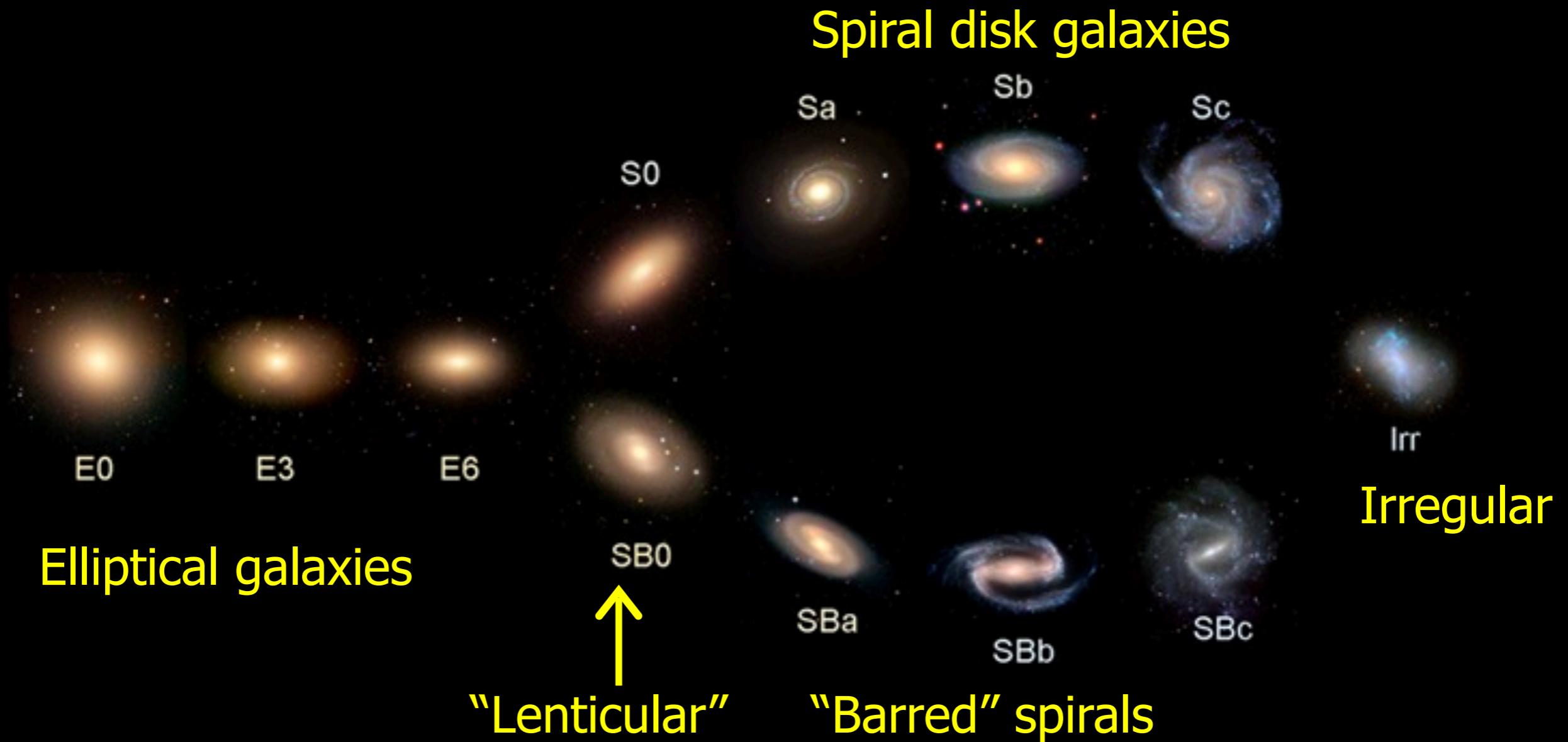


- Low mass
- No clear disk, spiral pattern, or nucleus
- Chaotic appearance
- Often have lots of star formation
- Often rich in gas
- Most common type of galaxy

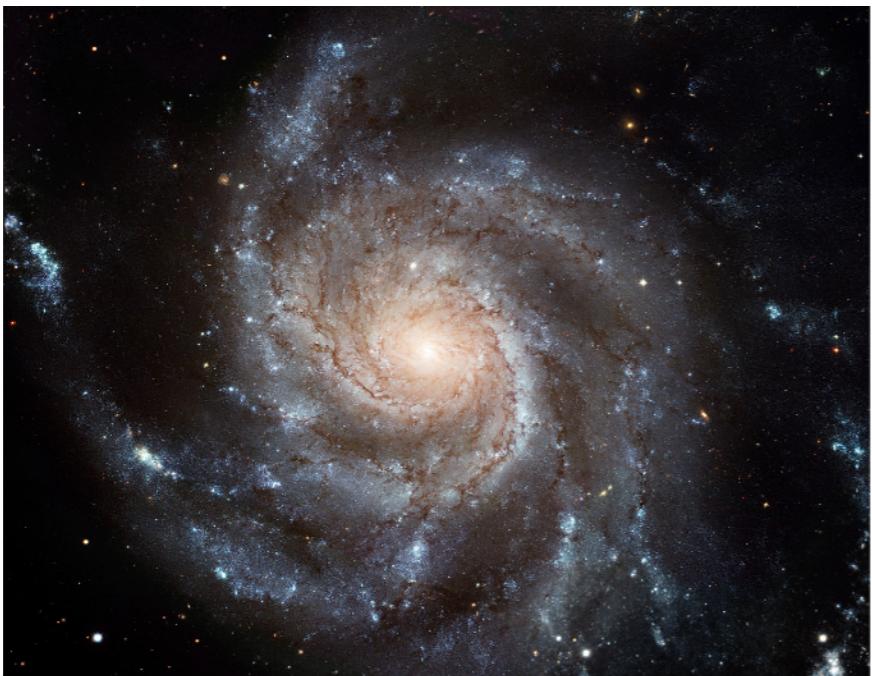
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Large  
Magellanic  
Cloud

# Galaxy Classes



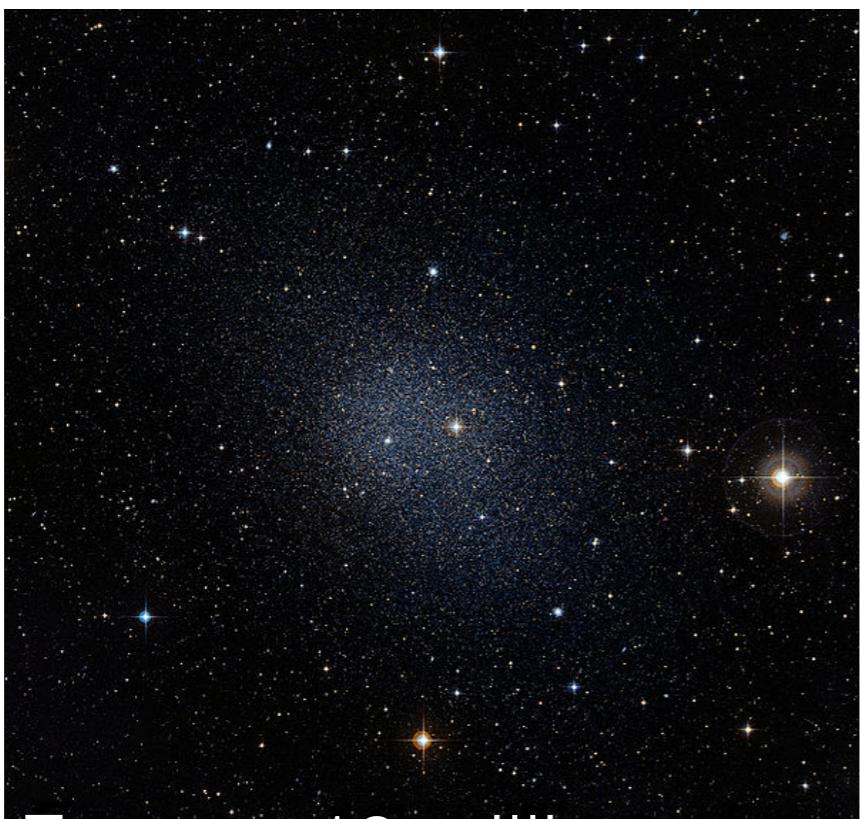
# Dwarf galaxies — small, very common, and hard to find



MW-like galaxy: 100 billion stars



Magellanic Clouds: 1 billion



Fornax: 10 million stars



# Recap: what have we learned?

- **What patterns do we find among galaxies?**
  - There are three main types of galaxies:
    - Spiral (disk)
    - Elliptical
    - Irregular
  - Gas, dust, and young stars are much more abundant in spiral and irregular galaxies

# Dark Matter (in the Milky Way and other galaxies)

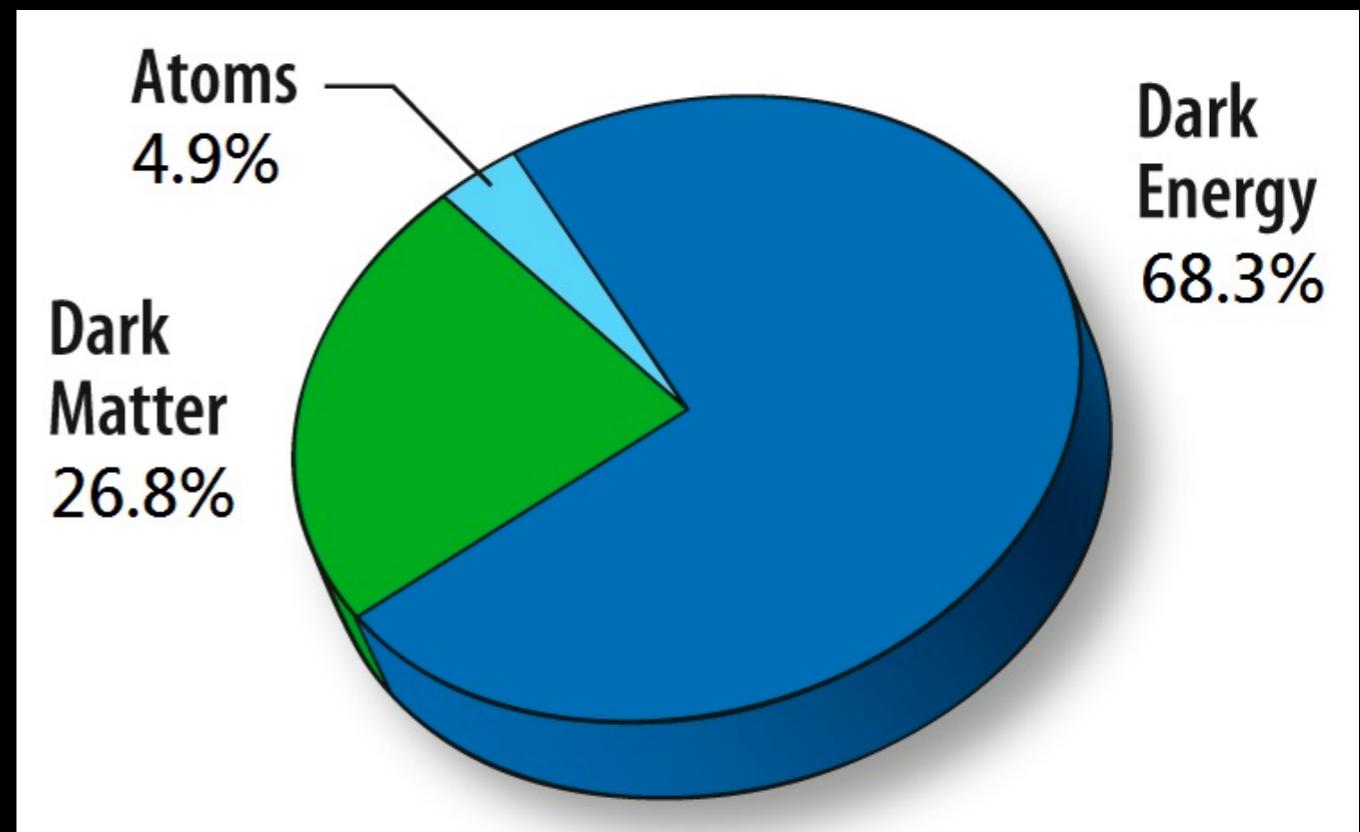
Chapter 23

# Further questions of the day

- What do we mean by “Dark Matter”?
- What is the evidence for dark matter in the Milky Way, and in other galaxies?
- What is the evidence for dark matter in clusters of galaxies?

# What is “Dark Matter”?

- **Dark Matter** is the name given to a form of **mass** that does not interact with light, but can be detected by its gravitational effects
- We think that ~80% of the total mass in the universe is some form of dark matter
  - The other ~20% is “normal” matter (mostly atoms)
- We know **where** the dark matter is, based on its gravity... but we do not know **what** it is!



**Atoms:** chapter 5  
**Dark matter:**  
chapter 23  
**Dark energy:** later!  
(also in chapter 23)

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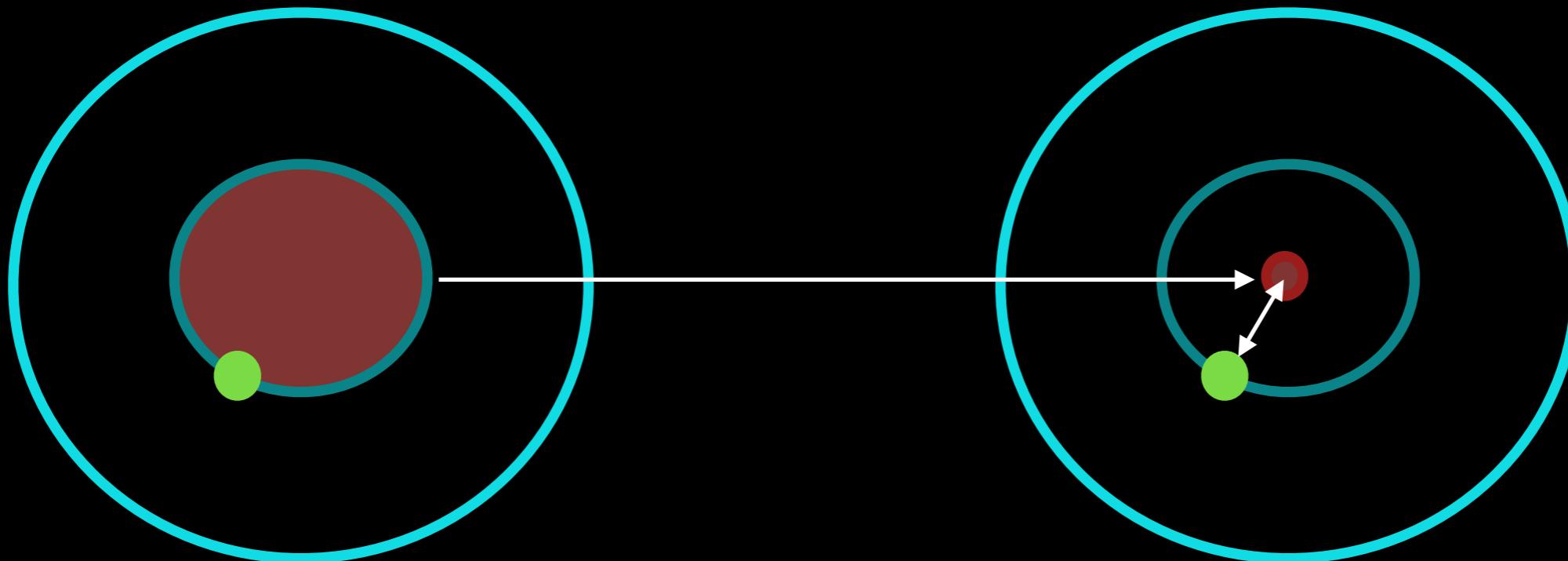
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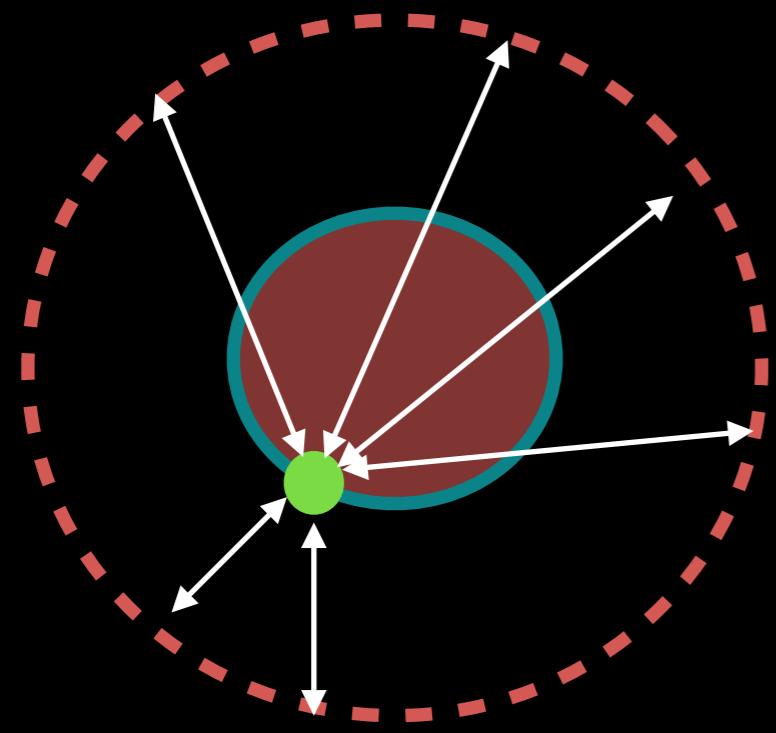
if you have a mass distribution on a sphere, you can consider all the **mass concentrated in its center of mass**

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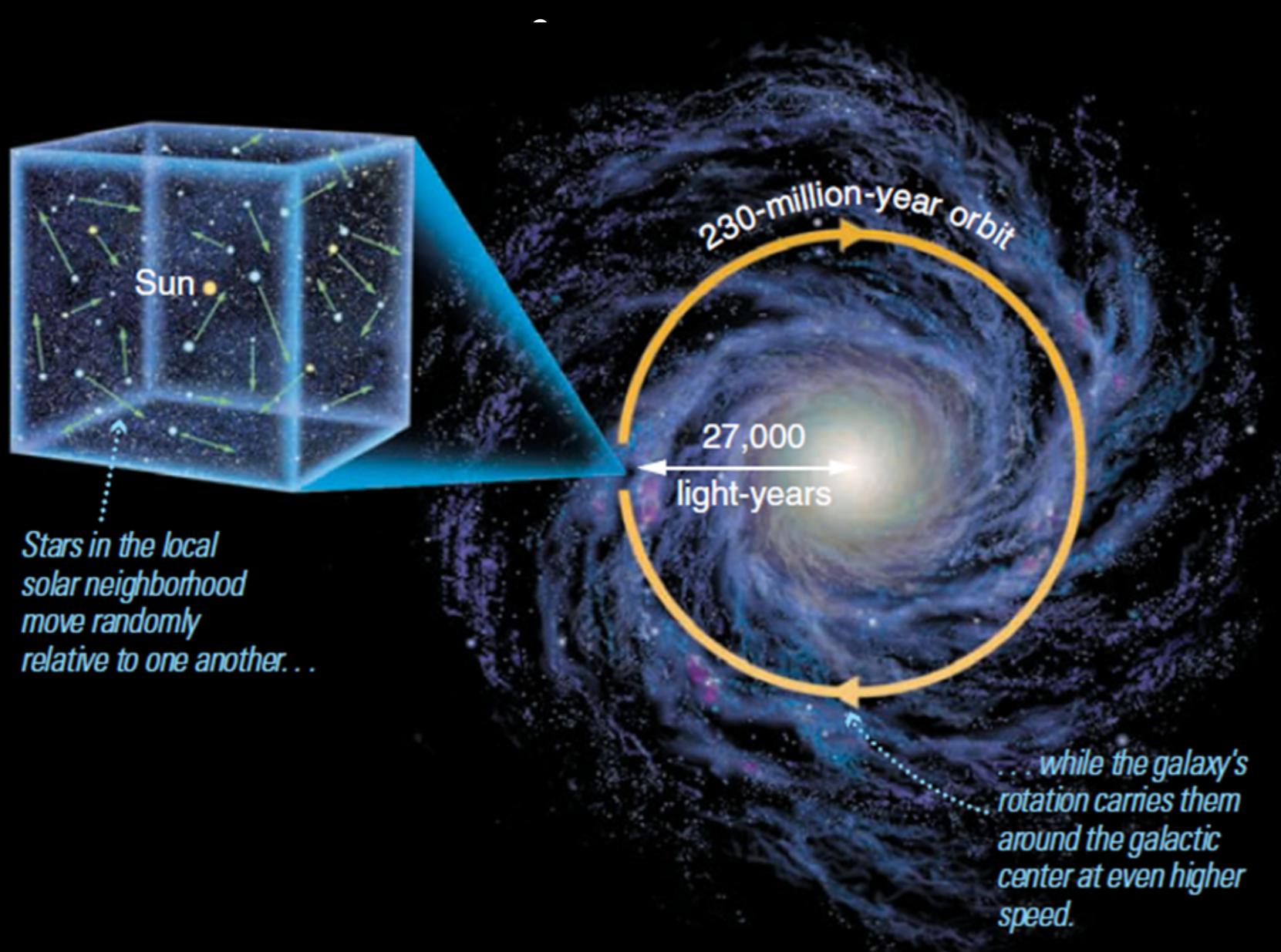
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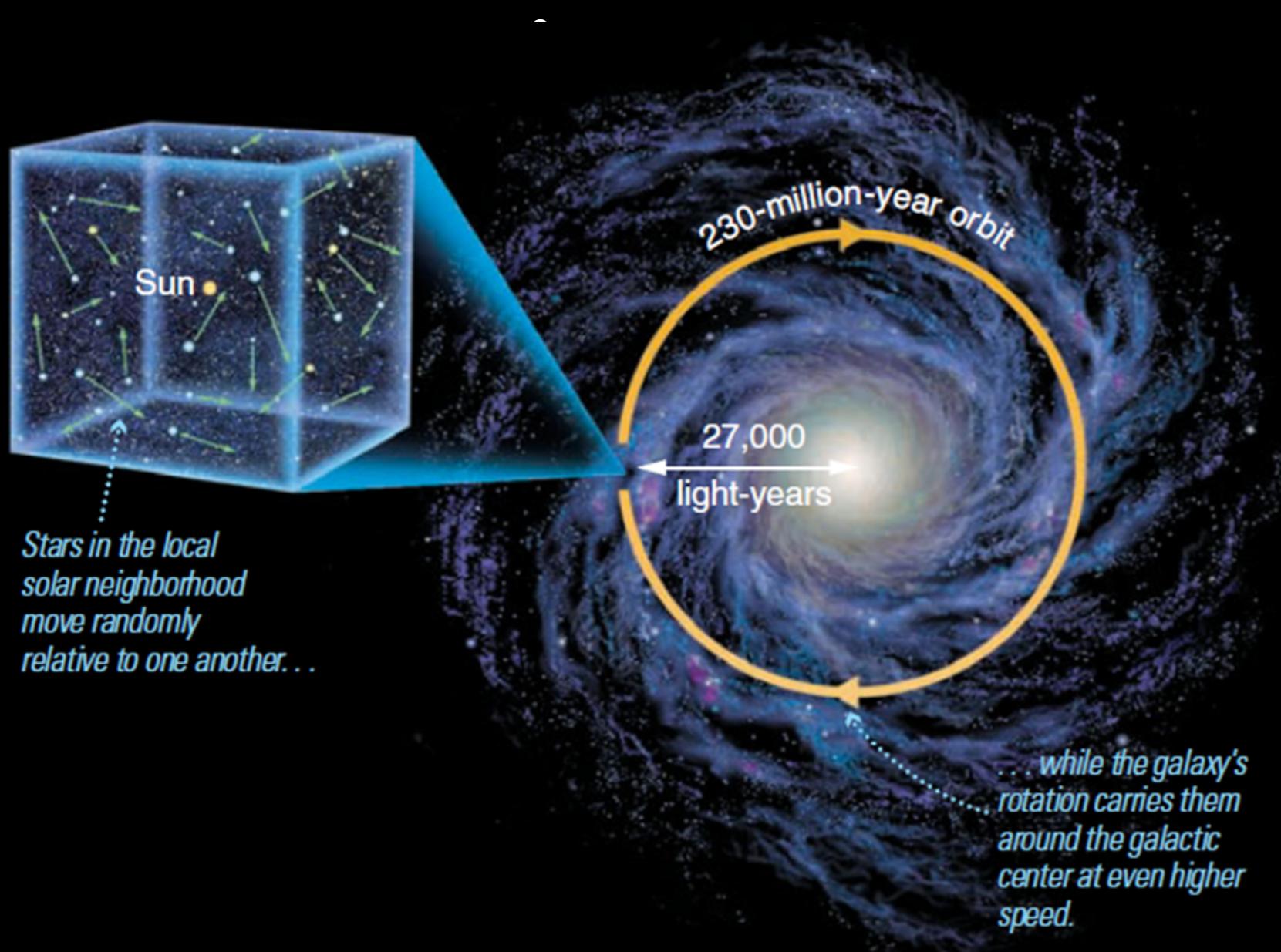


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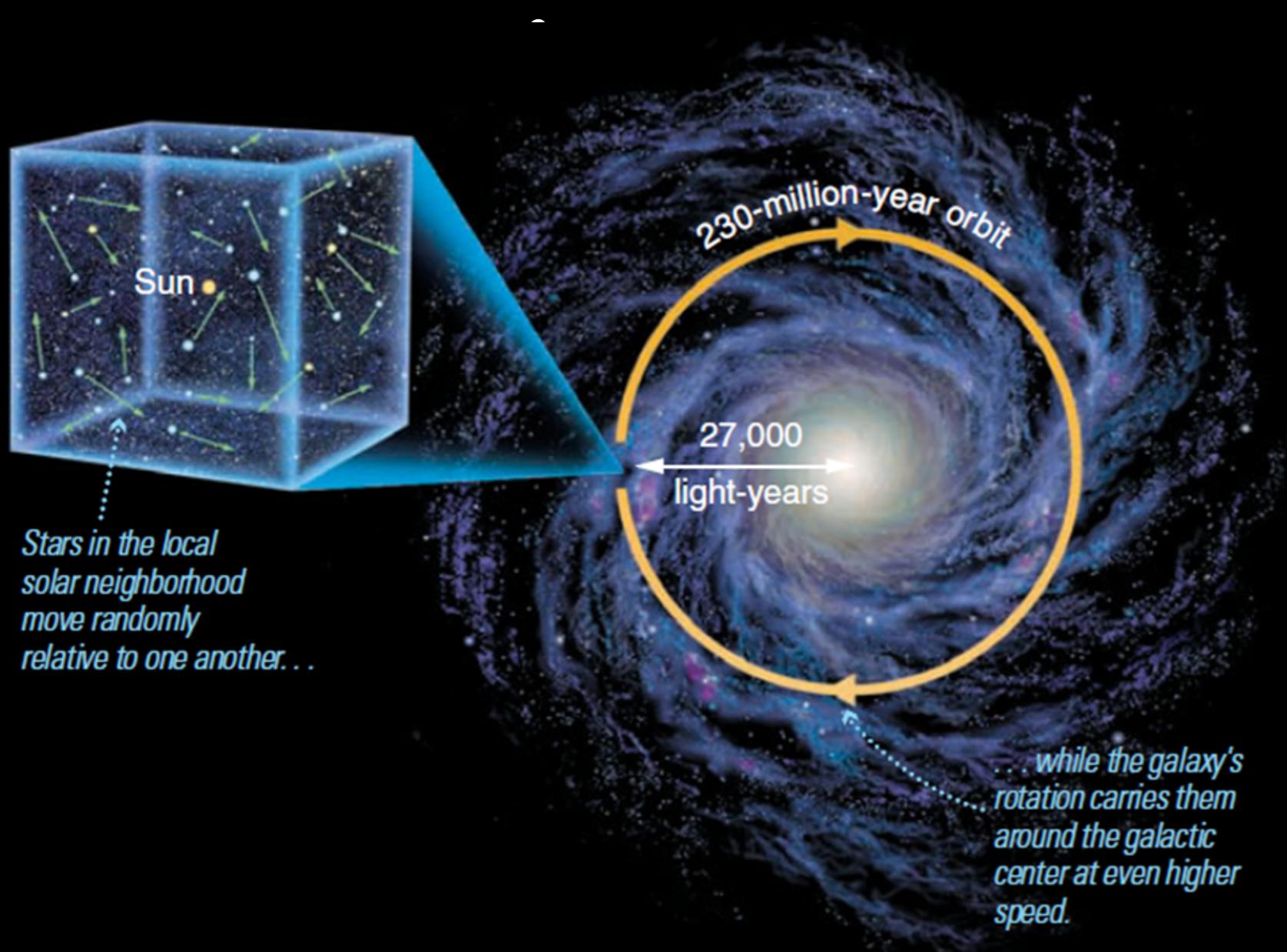
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Putting this together:

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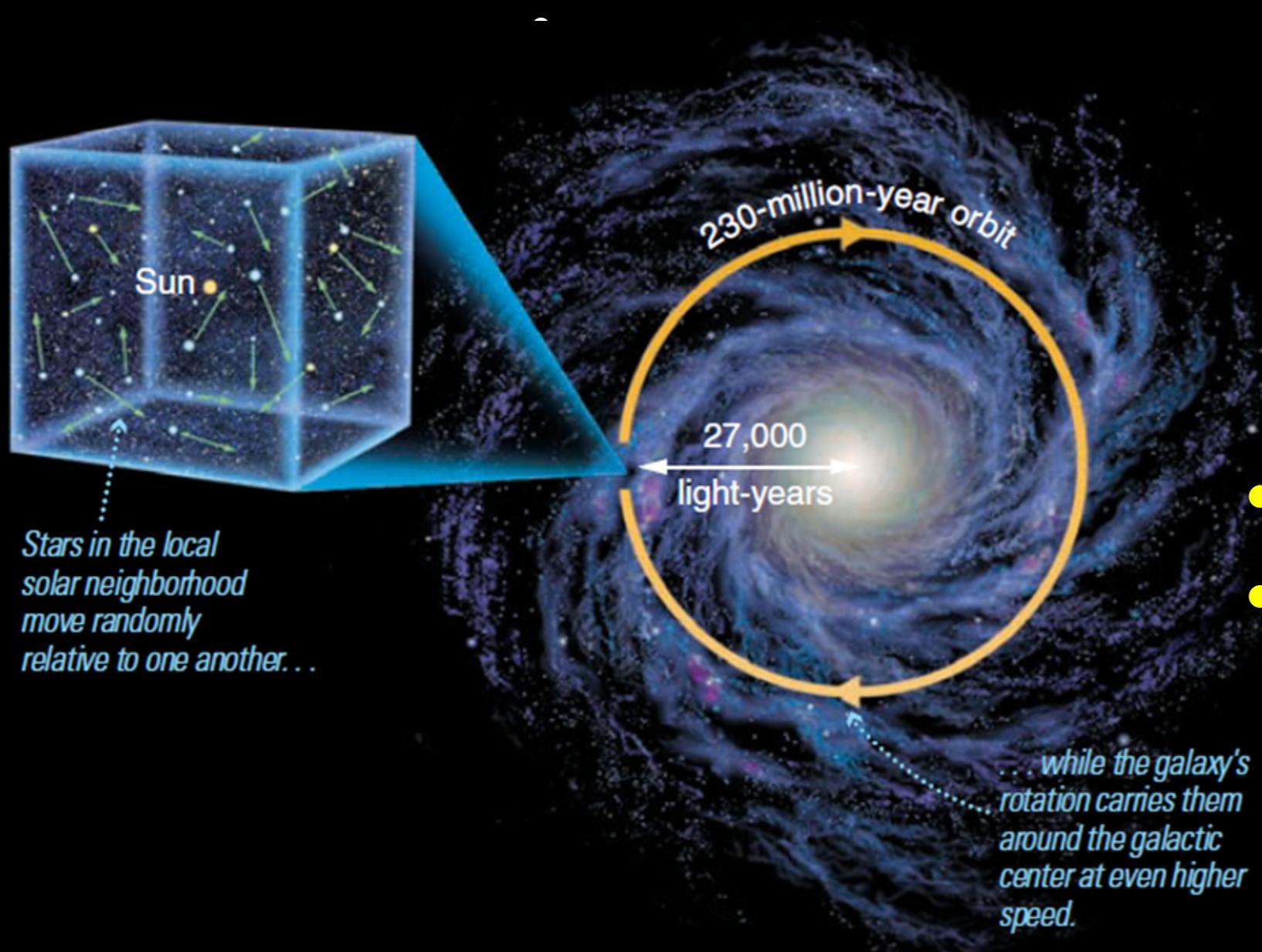
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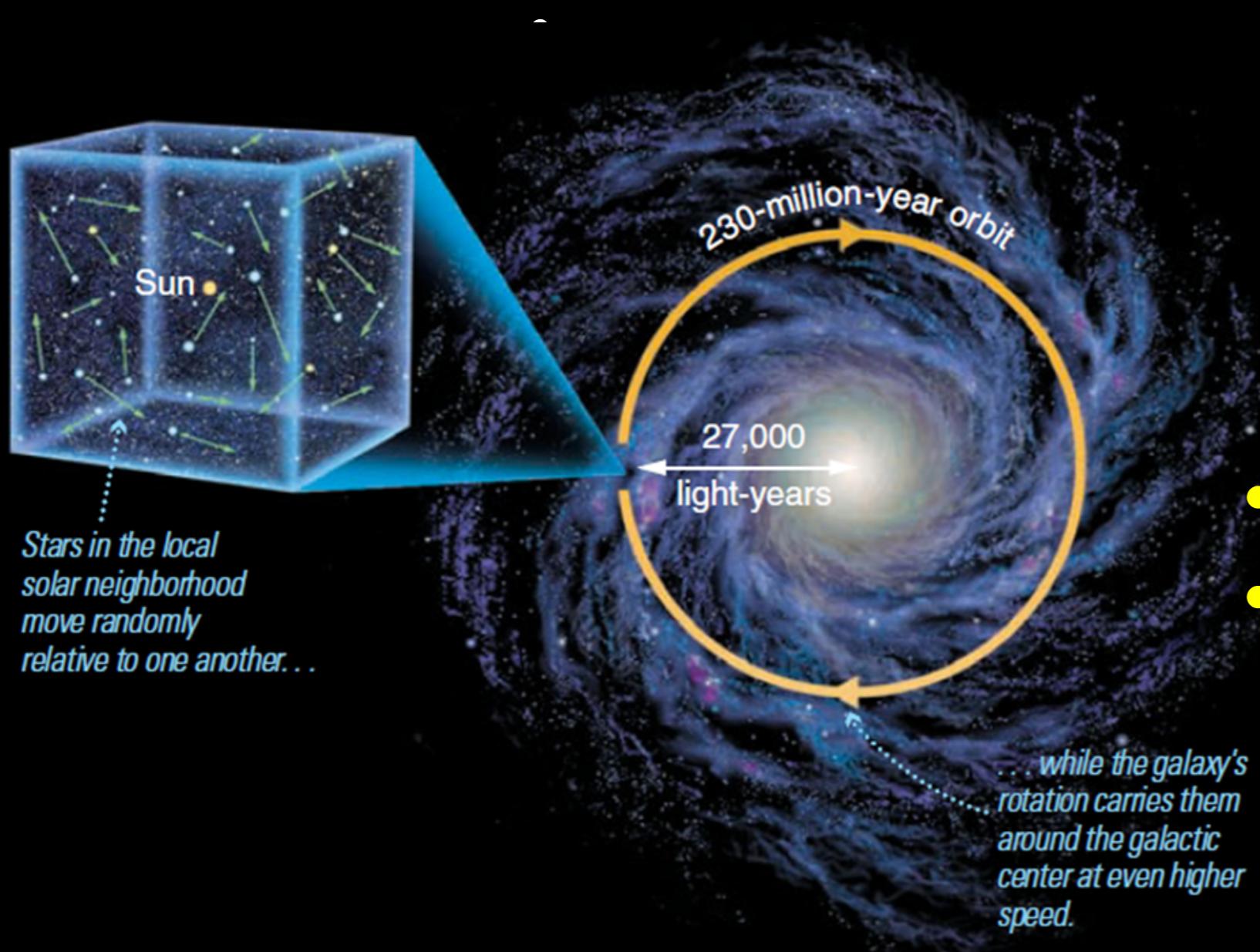
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- 100 billion times the mass of the Sun!

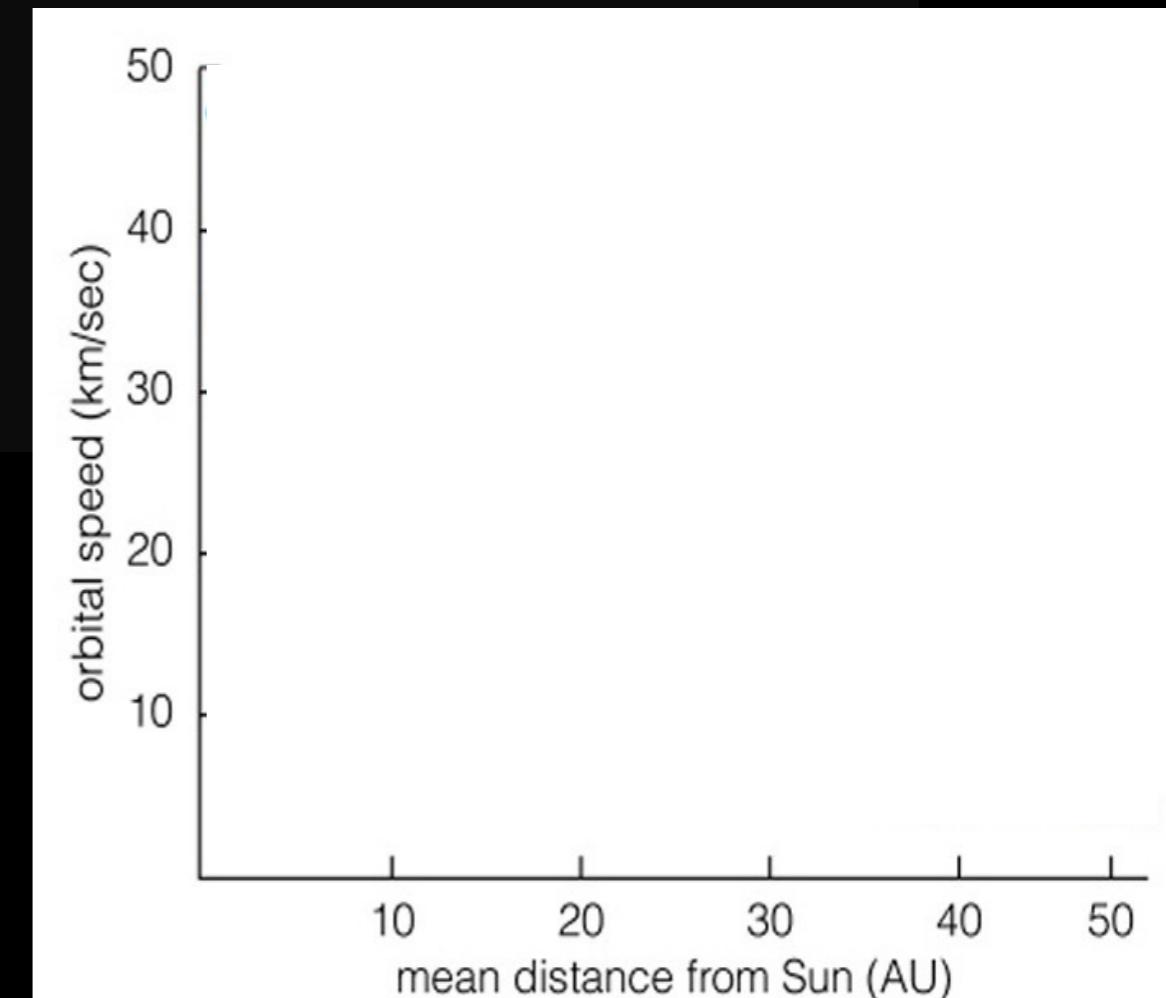
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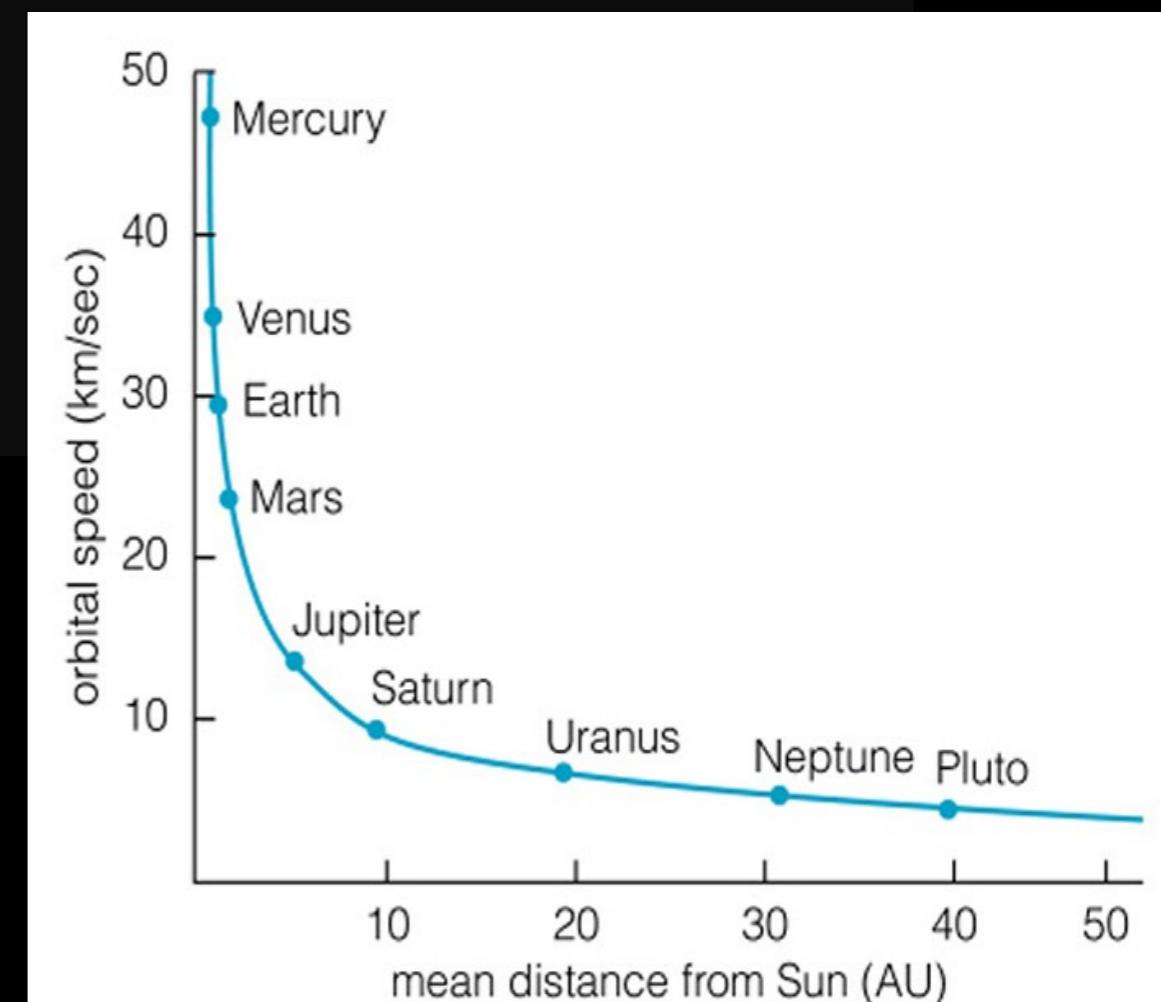
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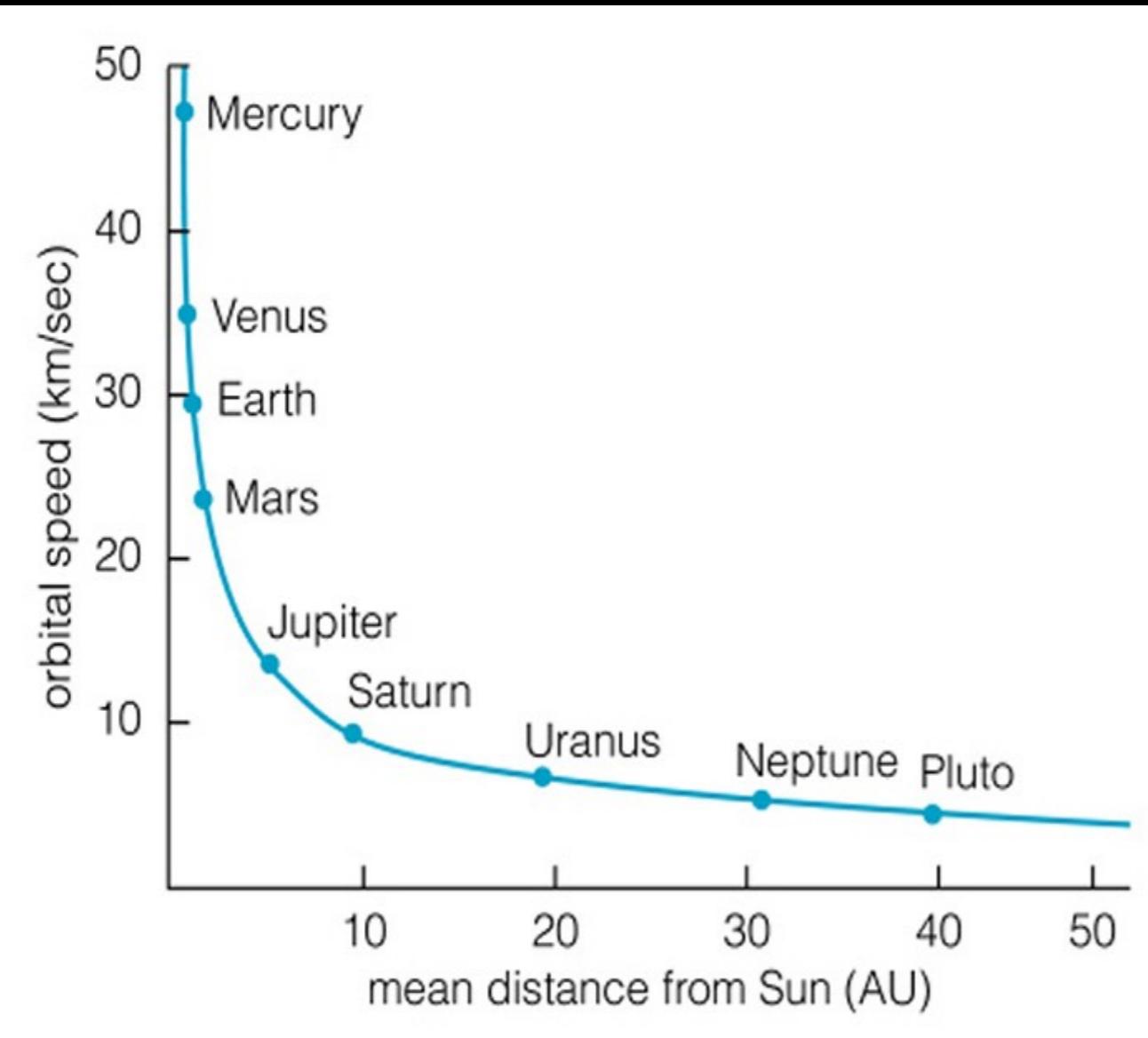


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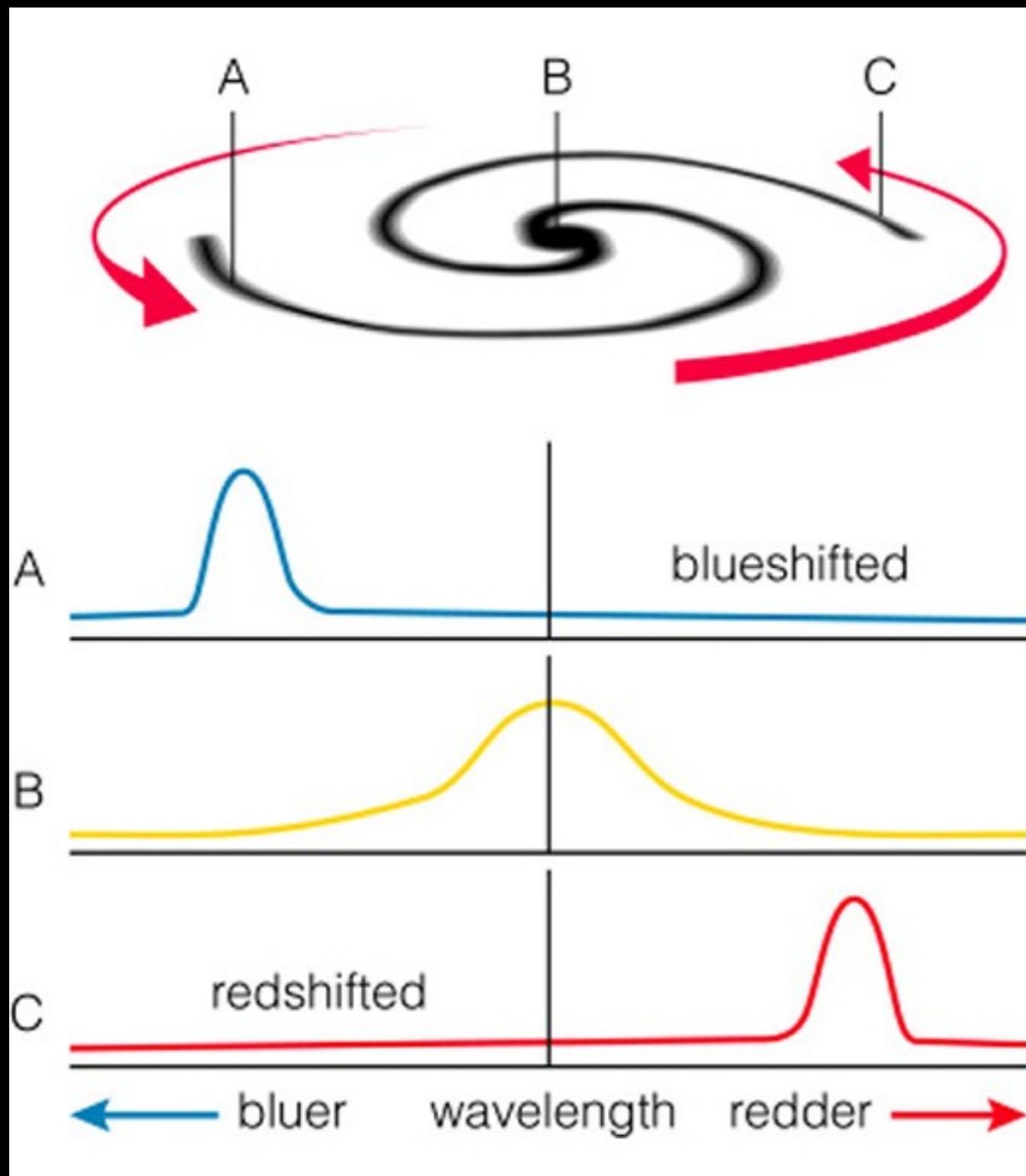


- The planets are on nearly circular orbits around the Sun
  - Radius and velocity vary
  - In all cases, the total mass within each orbit is nearly the same:  $\sim$  mass of Sun

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Result: Mass  $\approx 1 M_\odot$  within each planet's orbit

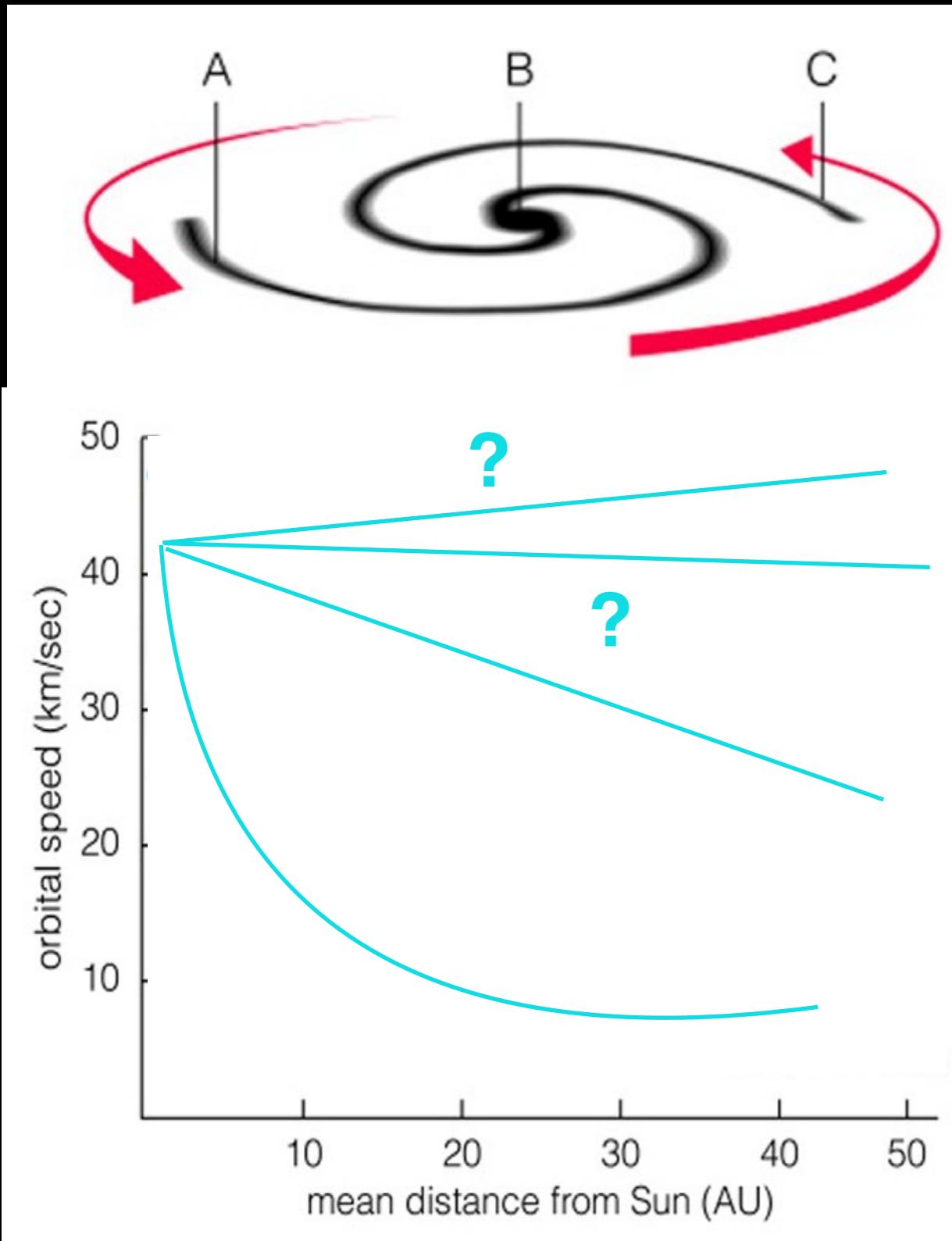
# Mass versus radius: Rotation Curves



- We can measure velocities using the Doppler shift
  - $v = c \times \frac{\Delta\lambda}{\lambda}$
- We can measure velocity in a disk, at different radii  $R$ 
  - Use orbital velocity equation to calculate mass as a function of radius
  - Determine **where** the mass is!

$$\frac{M_R}{v^2} = \frac{1}{G} \times R$$

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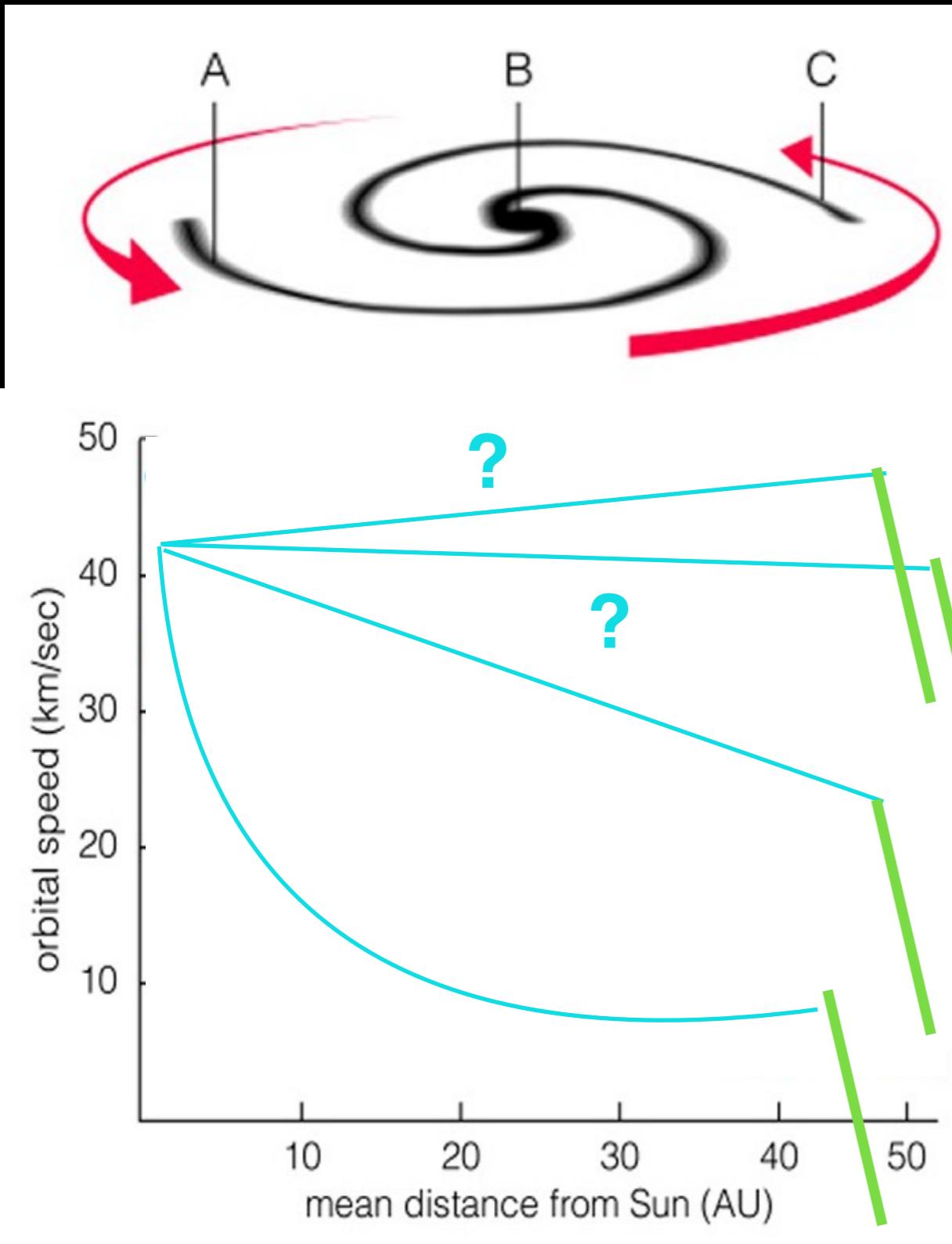


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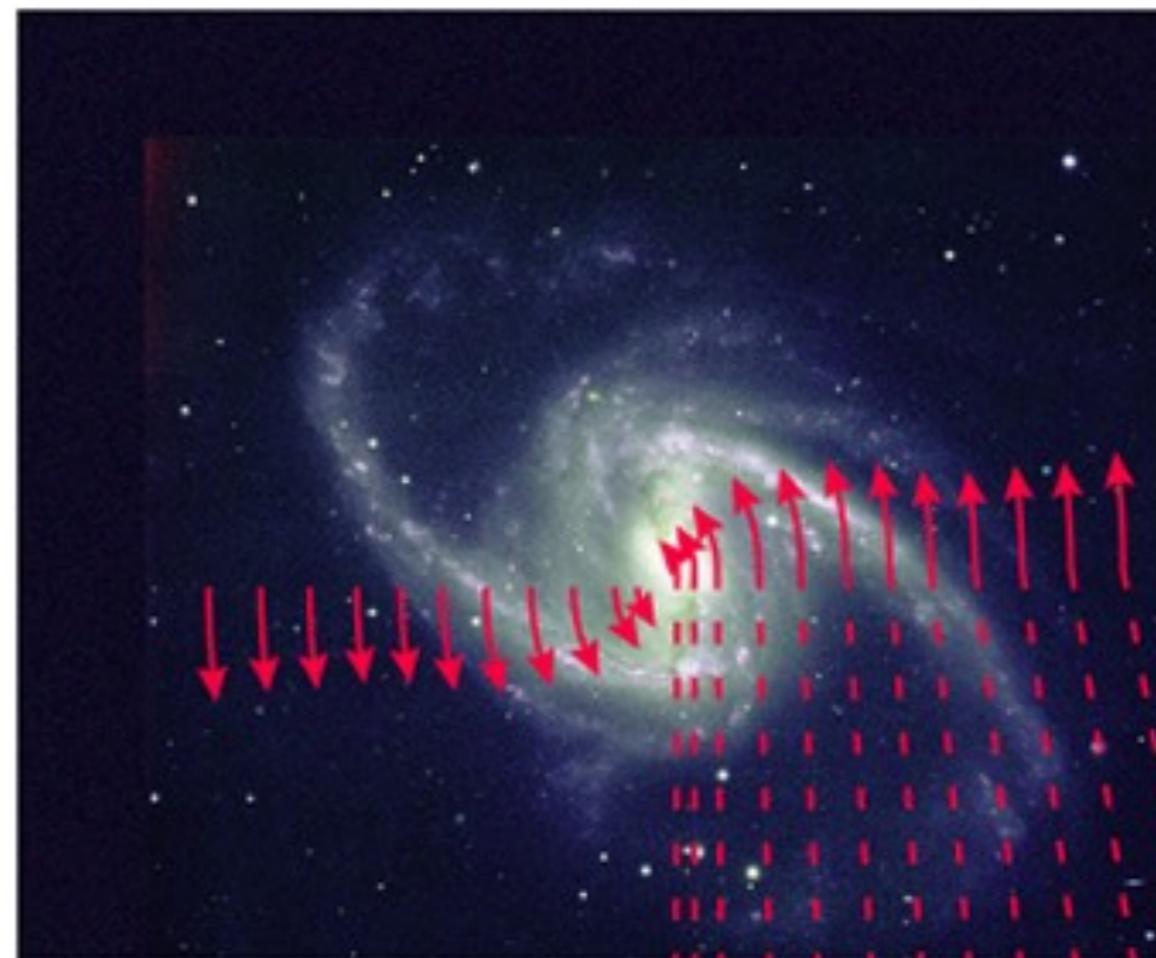
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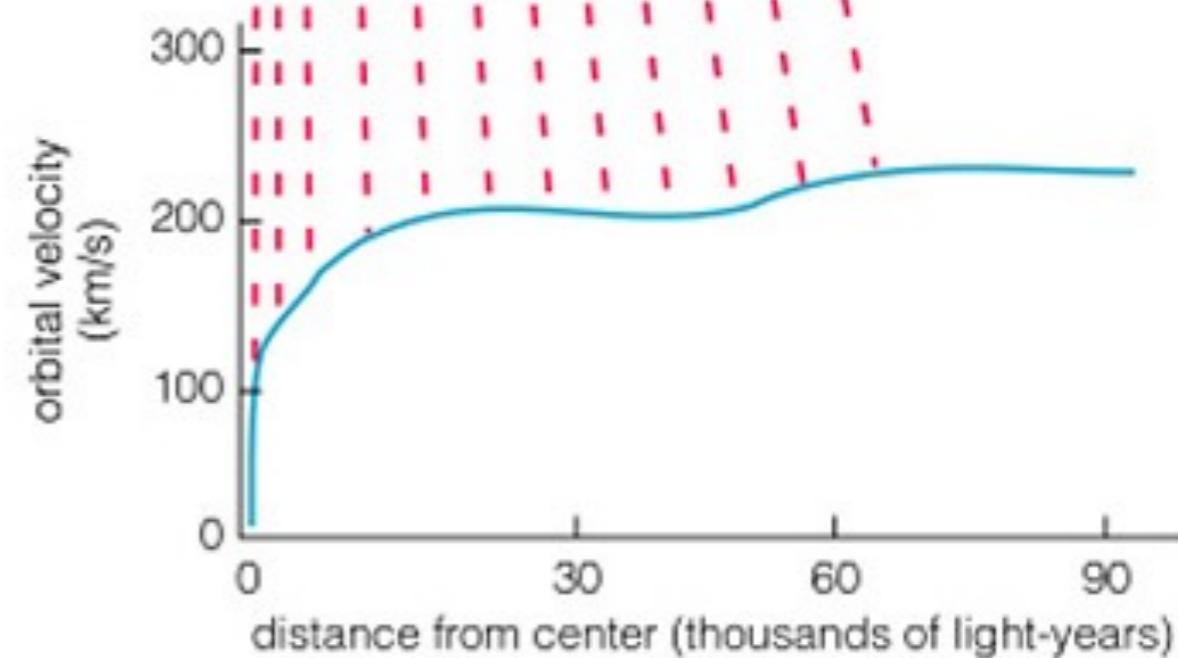
Most spiral galaxies have nearly constant rotational velocities, outside of the center

If  $\mathbf{v}$  is the same, then total mass increases with radius:

$$M_R = \frac{R \times v^2}{G}$$



Longer arrows represent larger orbital velocities.

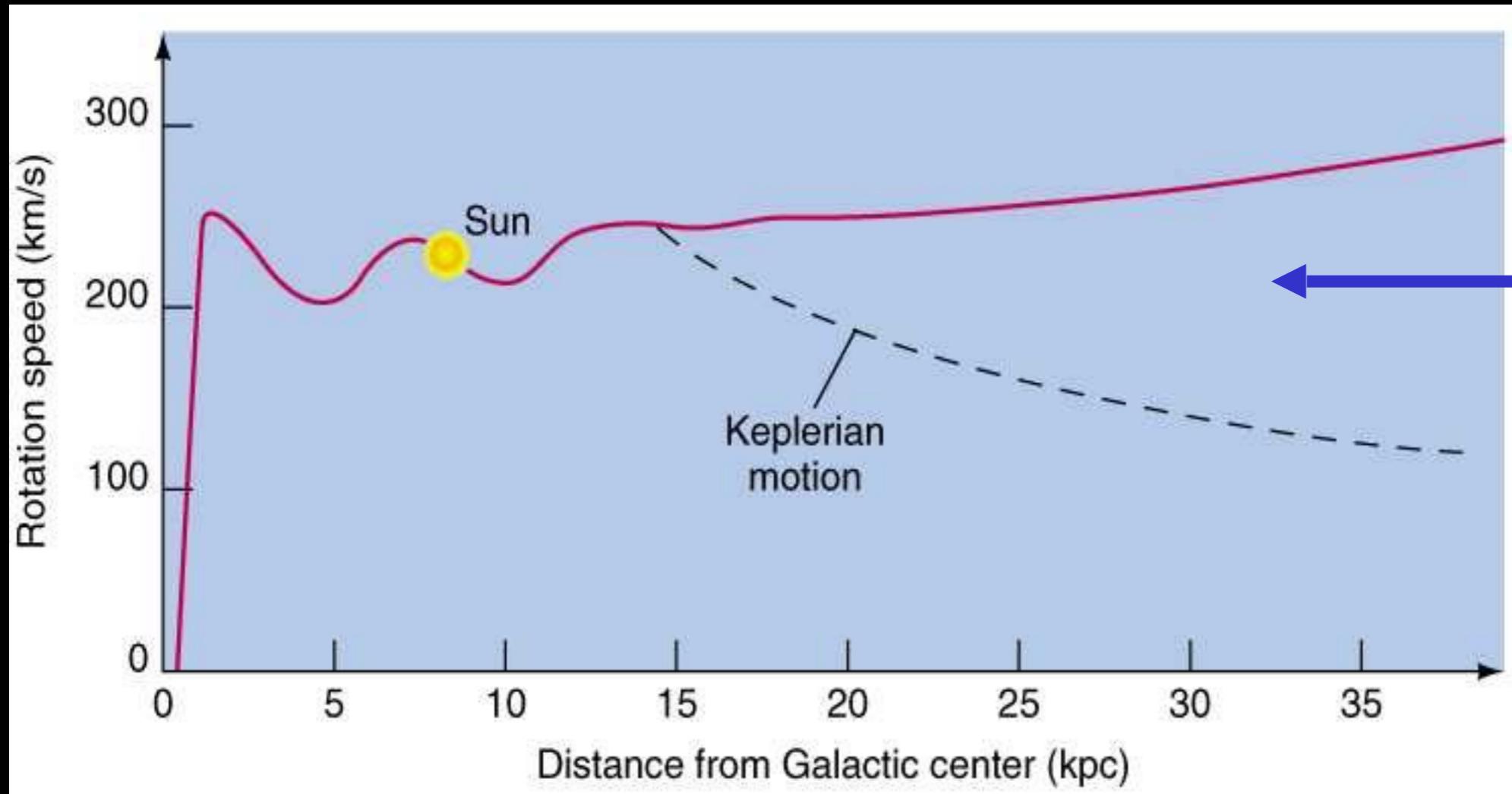


# This may not bother you at first...



- Stars and gas in galaxies are extended, so of course there is mass far outside of the center
- However, there is less and less normal matter (stars & gas) at large radii

# Problem: the Milky Way's rotation does not slow down where it should!

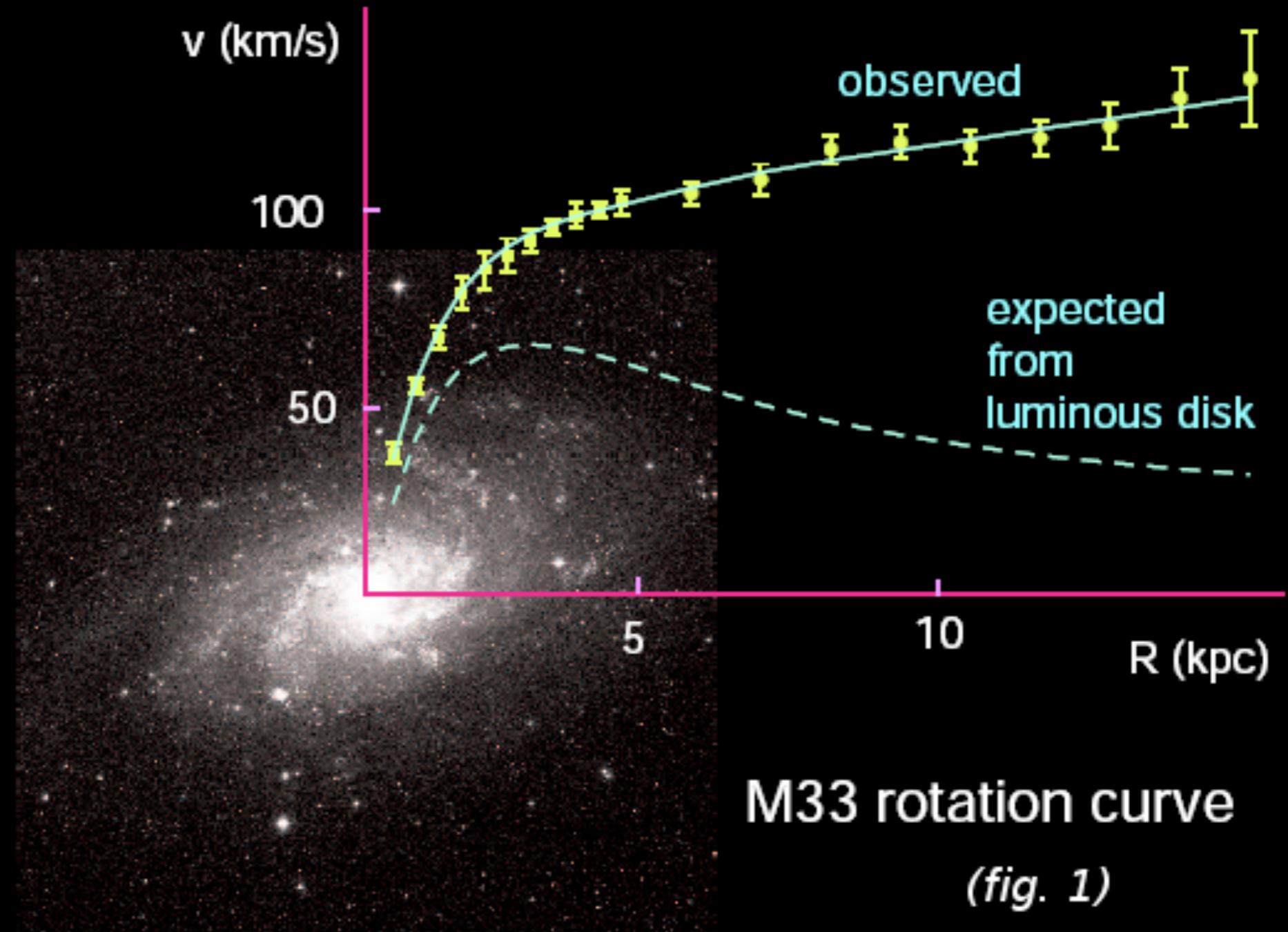


There must be **invisible** mass out here!

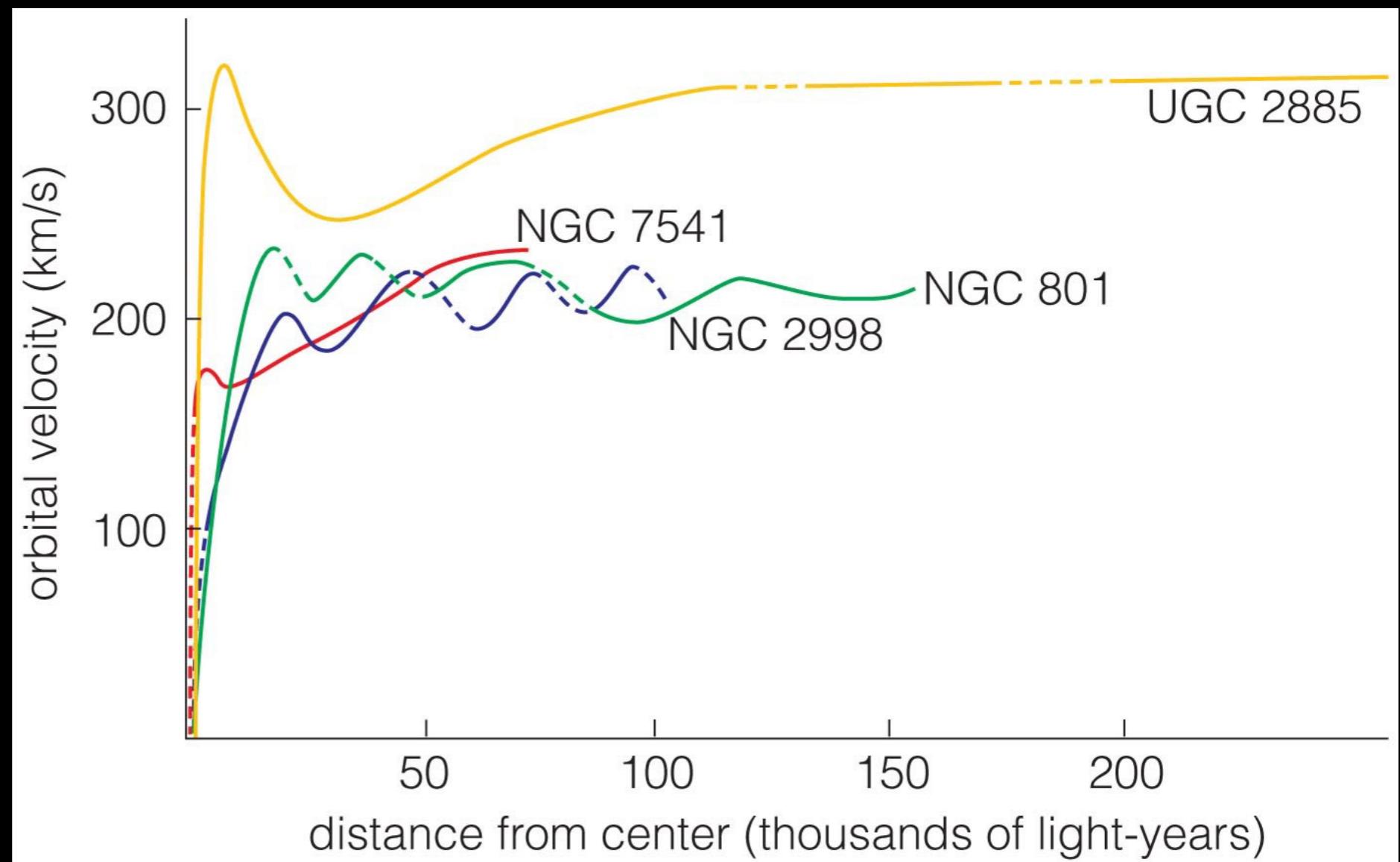
There is little **visible** matter in the Milky Way beyond 15 kpc (only trace amounts of Hydrogen gas).

We would expect the rotation velocity to decrease beyond this point, but it actually increases!

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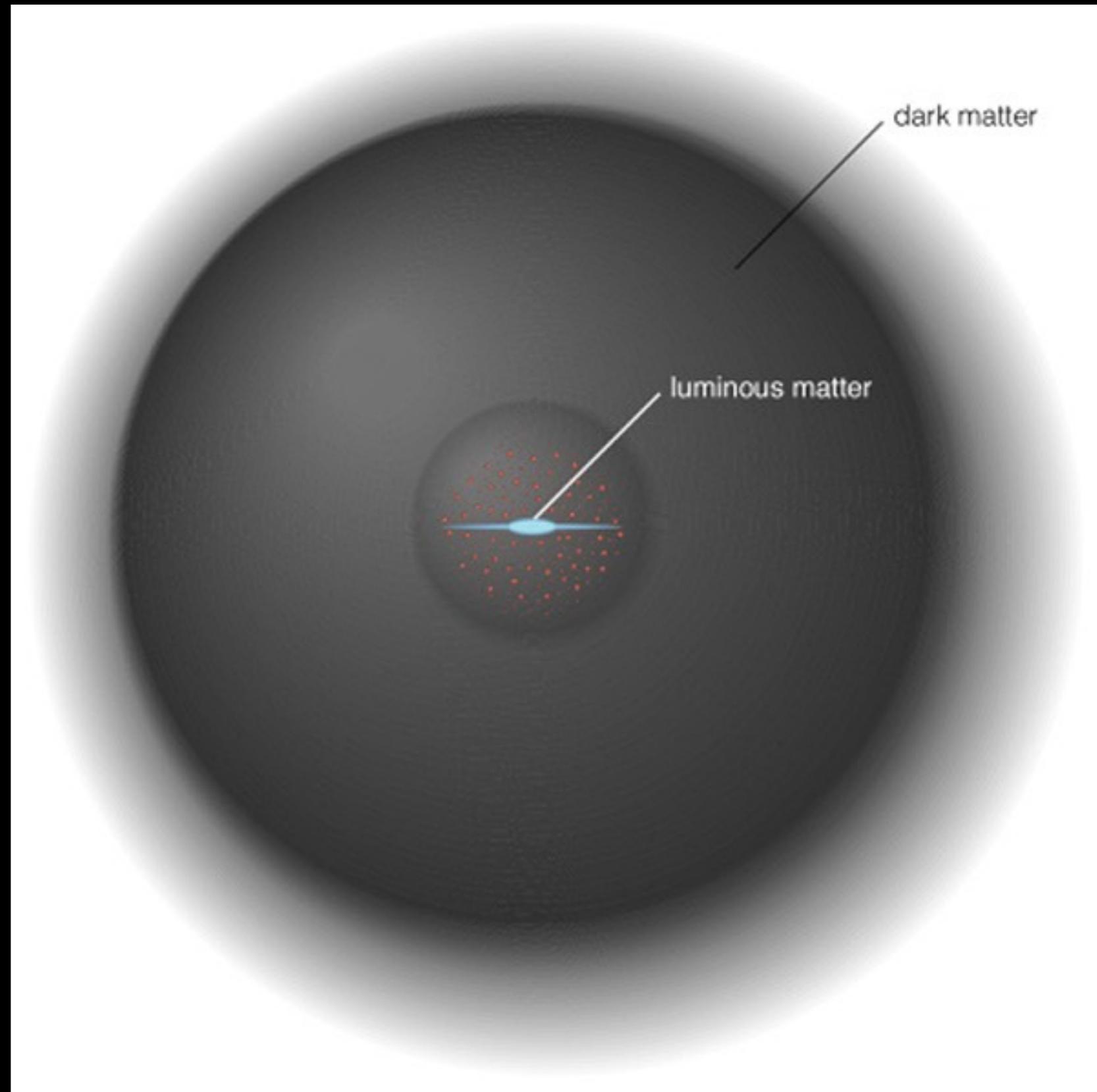


Rotation curves are usually “flat”.

All galaxies appear to have large amounts of mass well beyond the visible extent of the stars and gas!

# **ALL** galaxies are embedded within a “halo” of Dark Matter!

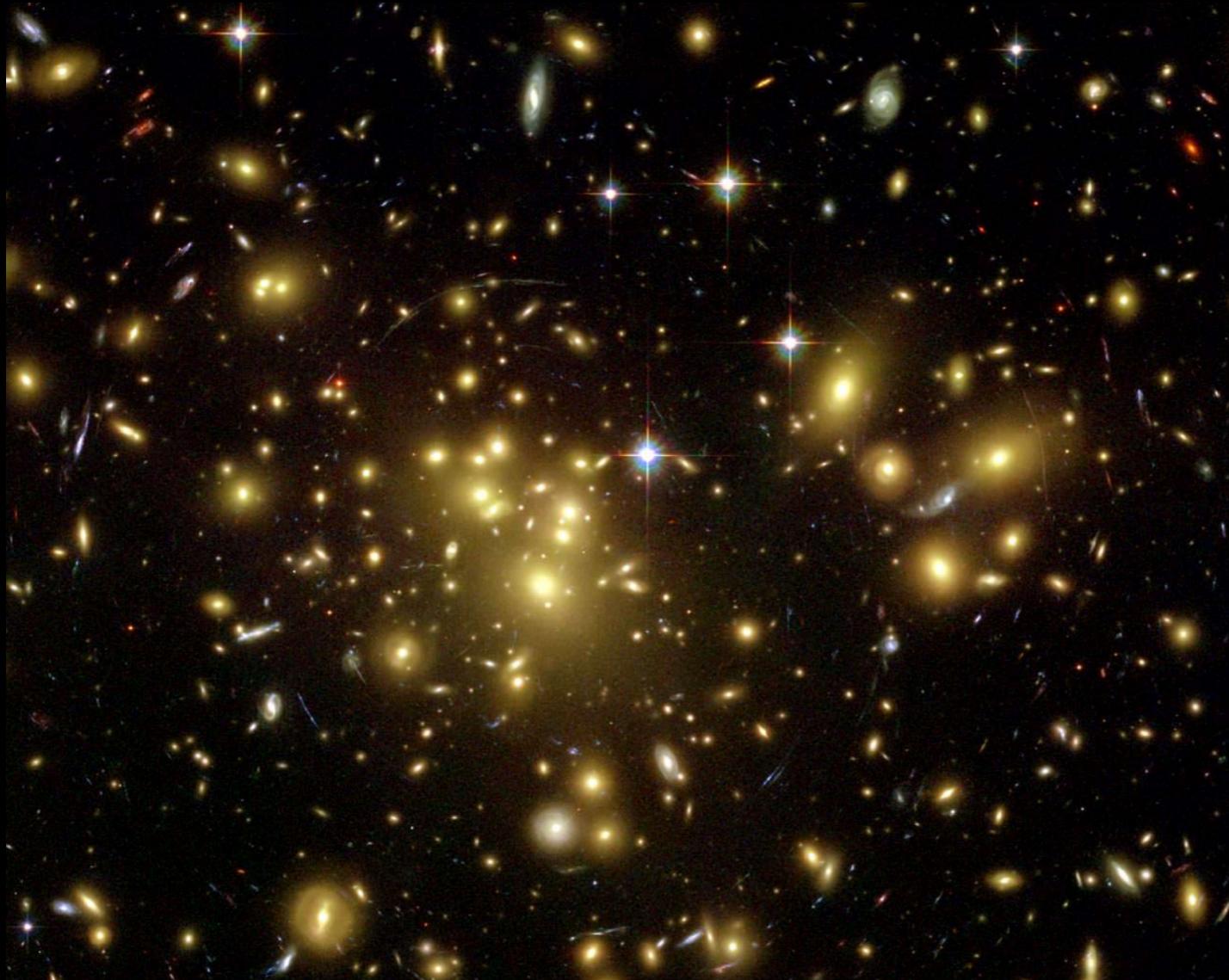
- We cannot see it!
- Much larger than the luminous galaxy
- Has most of the total mass of the galaxy (~90%)!
- We do not know what it is made of



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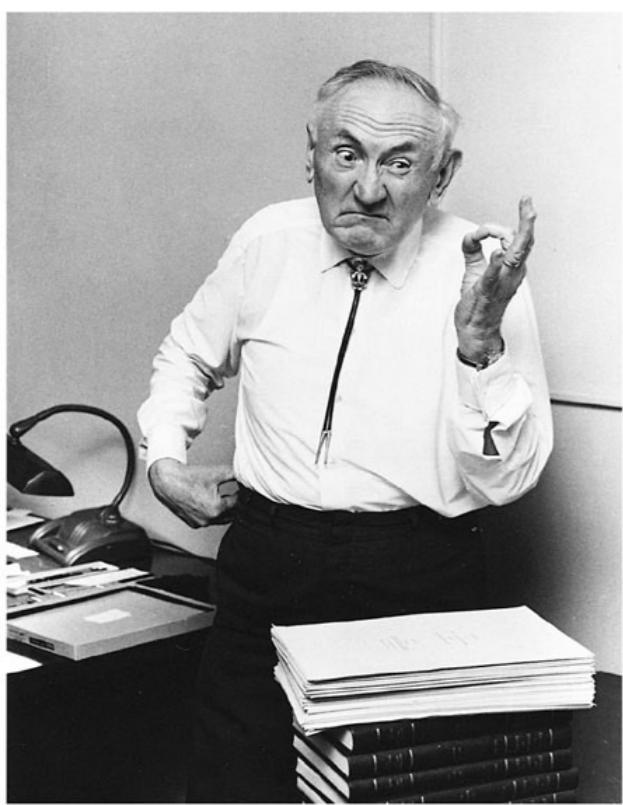
# What about clusters of galaxies?



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**You can measure the mass of clusters of galaxies  
measuring the velocity dispersion of galaxies within  
the cluster!**

# Galaxies in clusters move very fast...



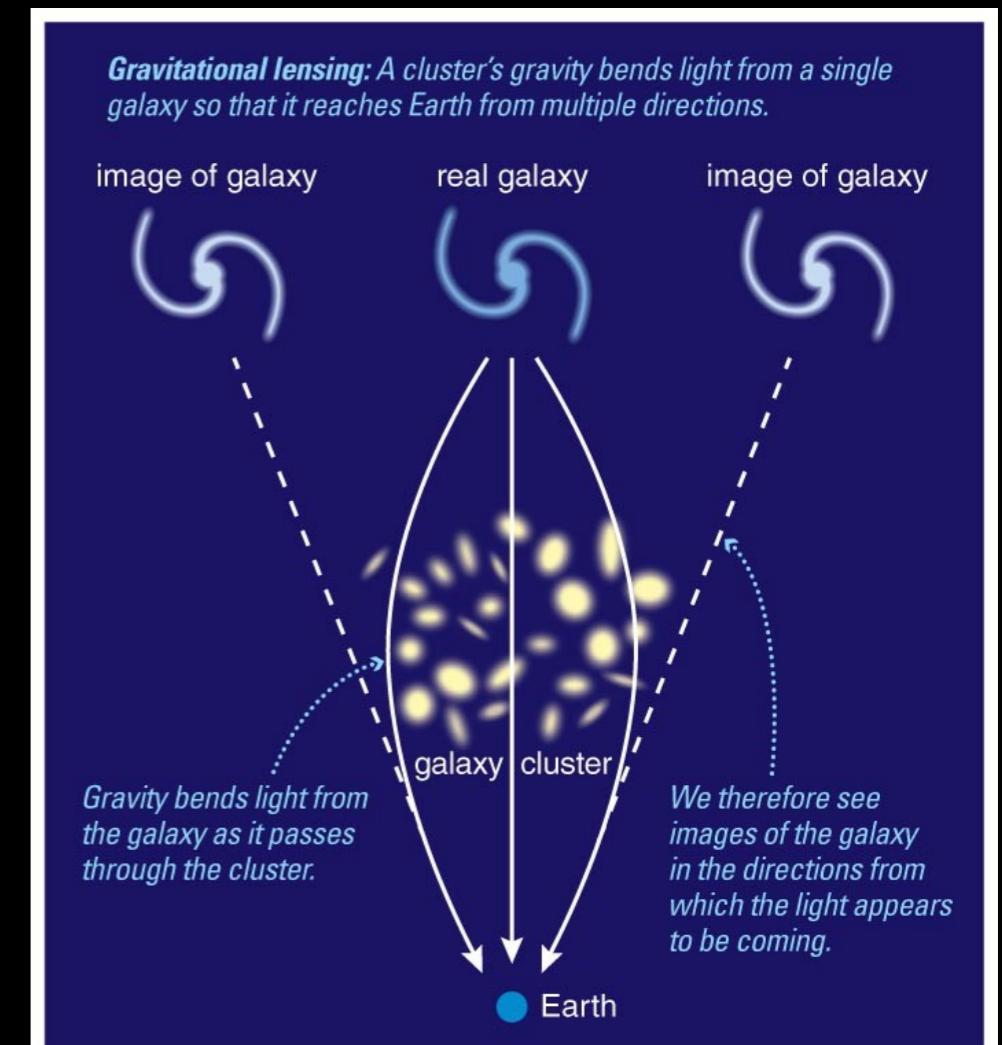
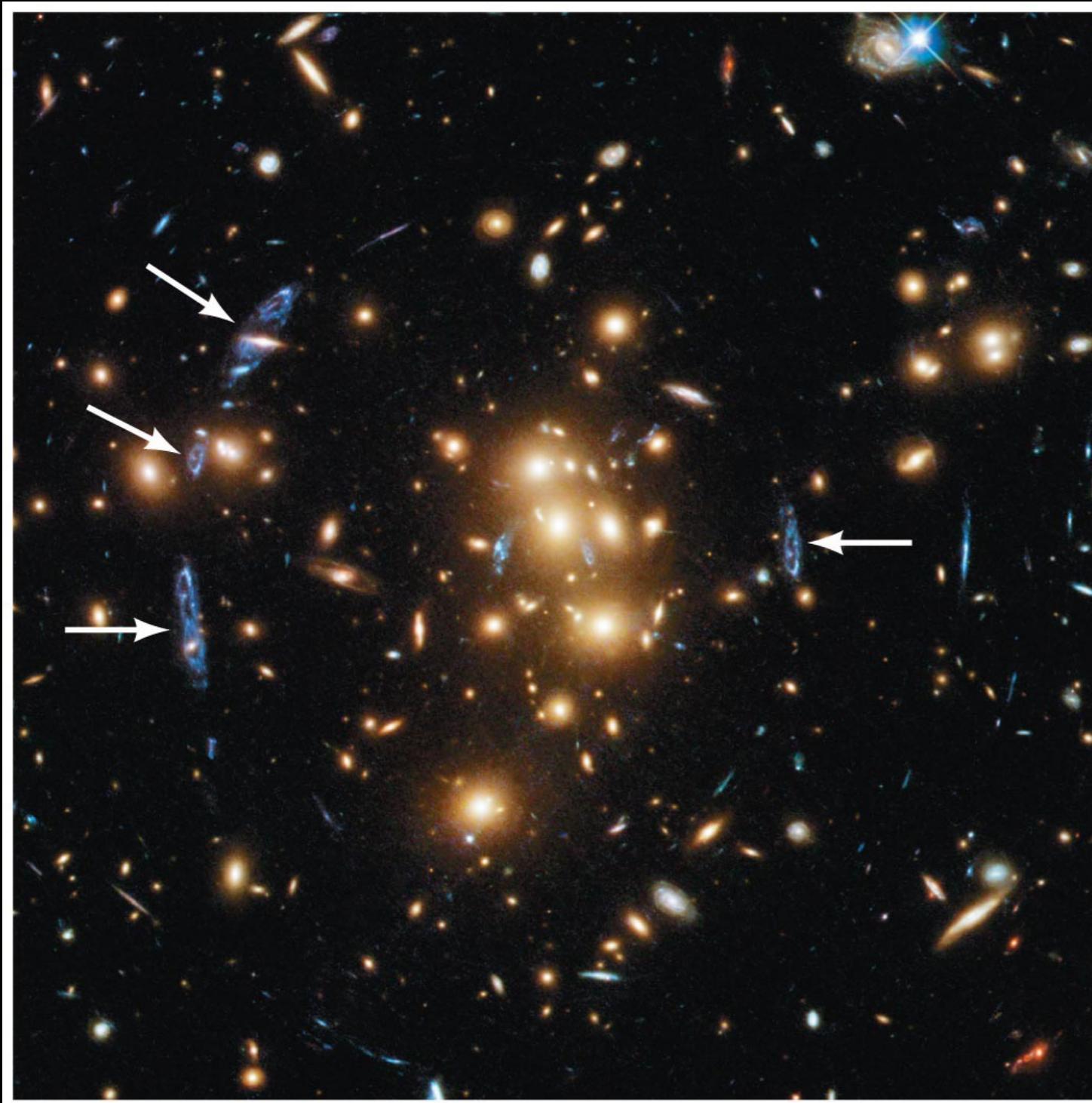
- Galaxies in clusters move at velocities of  $\sim$ 1000 km/s
- Based on the mass of the visible stars and gas, they should move at  $\sim$ 100 km/s
- There must be “extra” mass between them to accelerate them gravitationally
  - **Dark matter!**

# Galaxy clusters masses



- The Coma cluster: nearest example of a galaxy cluster
- 1000's of galaxies!
- Typical galaxy velocities of  $\sim$ 1000 km/s
- Massive! ( $>10^{14} M_{\odot}$ !)

# Galaxy clusters also act as gravitational lenses!



Recall from general relativity: mass causes a deflection of light.  
The amount of deflection tells us the mass!

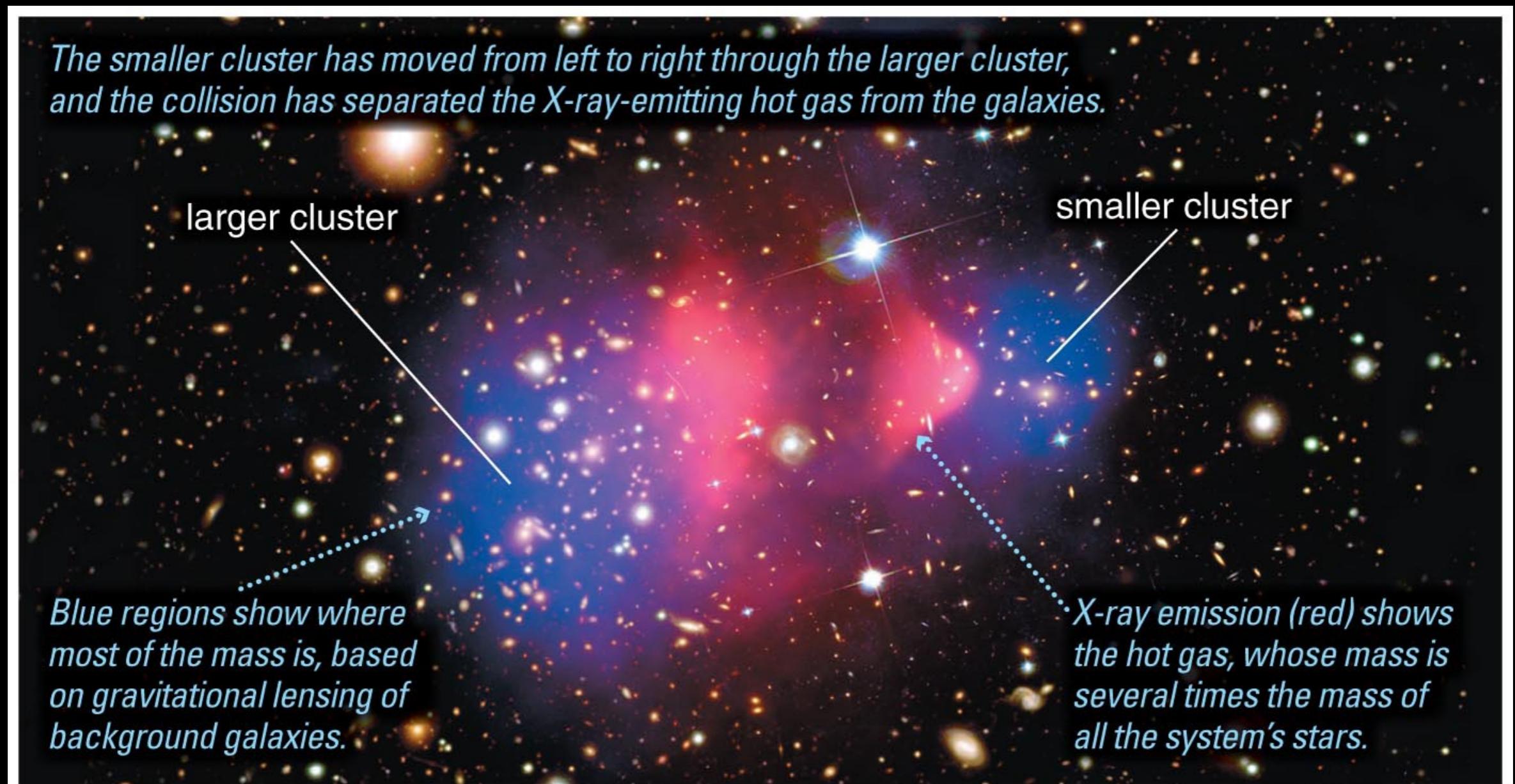
# Masses of galaxy clusters

- We have 3 different ways to measure the masses of galaxy clusters
  - The velocities of galaxies in the cluster
    - $M = v^2 r / G$
  - The temperature of the gas (thermal radiation)
    - Kinetic energy (temperature) is directly related to gravitational potential energy (mass)
  - Gravitational lensing
    - Independent method; does not rely on motion!
- All 3 methods say that galaxy clusters are dominated by dark matter
  - Dark matter in galaxy clusters has **50 times more mass** than the stars within the galaxies

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  - Masses measured from galaxy motions, temperature of hot gas, and gravitational lensing all indicate that the vast majority of matter in clusters is dark

# More fun with dark matter: the “Bullet Cluster”



Ordinary gas in galaxy clusters (red): collides & heats up  
Dark matter in galaxy clusters (blue): passes straight through!