

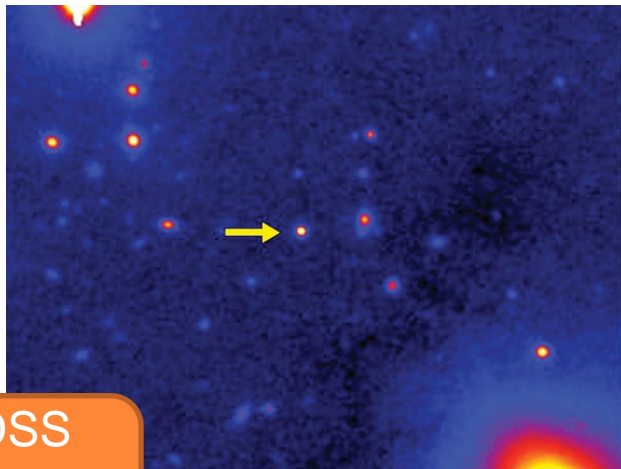
# **SPHERICAL ACCRETION OF SELF-GRAVITATING DARK MATTER ONTO A BLACK HOLE WITH BACK-REACTION**

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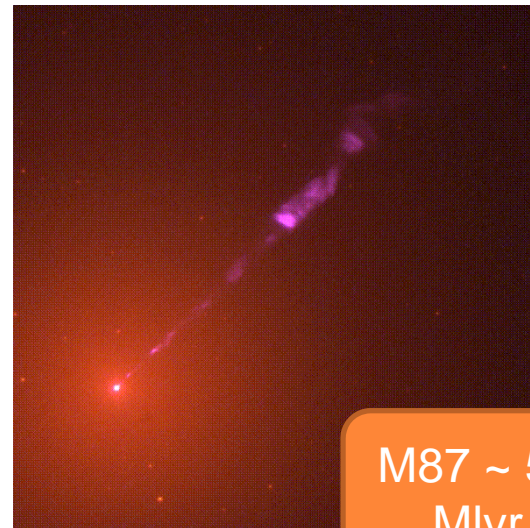
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# THE PROBLEM WITH SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES

- If accretion of baryonic matter can under the best circumstances produce BH the size of  $\sim 10^9$  solar masses in 1.6 Gyr, why do we see them at redshift values of  $z = 6.4$  or  $\sim 0.85$  Gyr?
- Anti-hierarchical appearance of these SMBH.
- Quasars observed today much closer to us don't get much bigger. So it's fair to assume that they haven't grown much since.



SDSS  
J1148+51  
52



M87 ~ 55  
Mlyr



## SYMBIOTIC SCENARIO TO THE RESCUE

- The fix to this problem was proposed by symbiotic scenario where large degenerate clouds of sterile neutrino dark matter were accreted by stellar mass seed BH

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- The timeframe problem and early maturation of the larger quasars can be explained with this classical picture as accretion time is reduced to



## REWORKING THE PROBLEM WITH GR

- Classical picture showed such a favourable explanation for the observed accretion timescale and hierarchy problem
  - Accretion of sterile neutrino ball of mass  $M = 3 \times 10^9$  solar masses shown to occur in  $\sim 840$  Myr
  - However, classical theory breaks down for such large masses!
- attempt the full-blown GR treatment



# THE ACCRETION PROCESS GOES A LITTLE SOMETHING LIKE THIS...

- The classical Bondi accretion picture has a large accreting BH surrounded by a thin shell of negligible mass → also called accretion of the “test fluid”
- This won't work, since for our picture we require a small seed BH at the center of a vast cloud of dark matter, which is subsequently accreted  
→ Schwarzschild metric isn't the complete picture
- The effect that the massive surrounding material has on the spacetime and hence the flow and accretion rate is called the **backreaction due to the selfgravity of the DM.**
- Since this backreaction has not been studied extensively, its effect on the physical aspects of the fluid flow are not well known.



# FOR THAT TO WORK, WE NEED EINSTEIN'S RECIPE

- Start with a the most general spherically symmetric line element

$$ds^2 = e^\nu dt^2 - e^\lambda dr^2 - r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2),$$

where  $\nu = \nu(r, t)$  and  $\lambda = \lambda(r, t)$  then start adding the particular constraints to our system.

In fact, choose

$$e^\lambda = \frac{1}{1 - \frac{2GM}{r}},$$

where  $M = M(r, t)$ .

choosing our observer at infinity

$$T_\mu^\nu = (\rho + P)U_\mu U^\nu - \delta_\mu^\nu P.$$

$$U^0 = \frac{e^{-\nu/2}}{\sqrt{1-v^2}}, \quad U^r = -\frac{ve^{-\lambda/2}}{\sqrt{1-v^2}}.$$

equations

$$\dot{\rho} = \dot{P} = 0$$

$$\dot{v} = 0$$

mix in a little bit of perfect fluid

require a stationary flow model



# MORE DETAIL...

- Leads to the generalised accretion equations

Analogue of gravitational potential

$$\frac{dM}{dr} = 4\pi r^2 \left( \frac{\rho + v^2 P}{1 - v^2} \right),$$

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = 4\pi r^2 (\rho + P) \frac{v}{1 - v^2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{2GM}{r}} e^{v/2},$$

has similarities to Bondi models

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{dv}{dr} = \frac{G}{r^2} \left[ \frac{M + 4\pi r^3 \left( \frac{P + v^2 \rho}{1 - v^2} \right)}{1 - \frac{2GM}{r}} \right],$$

generalised TOV equation

$$\frac{vv'}{1 - v^2} + \frac{P'}{\rho + P} + \frac{G}{r^2} \left( \frac{M + 4\pi r^3 P}{1 - \frac{2GM}{r}} \right) = 0.$$

- Can be solved numerically once an equation of state is chosen



## EQUATION OF STATE “MENU”

- Polytropic equations of state:

$$P = w\rho$$

Speed of sound in the fluid  $c_s^2$

where  $w = 1$  (stiff matter) or  $w = 1/3$  (radiation).

- Relativistic Fermi Gas:

$$P = k \left\{ x(1+x^2)^{1/2} (2x^2/3 - 1) + \ln \left[ x + (1+x^2)^{1/2} \right] \right\},$$

$$\rho = \frac{k}{c^2} \left\{ x(1+x^2)^{1/2} (2x^2 + 1) - \ln \left[ x + (1+x^2)^{1/2} \right] \right\}$$

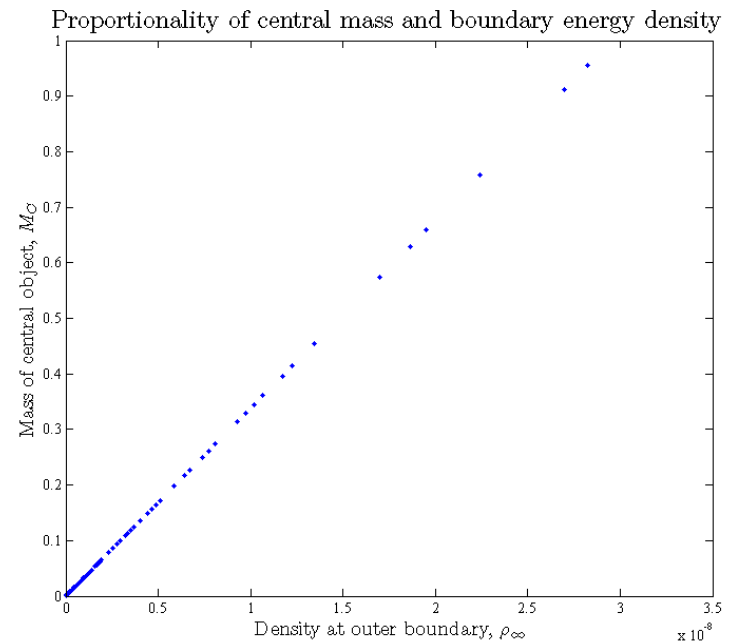
Non-dimensional Fermi Momentum





# CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ACCRETION

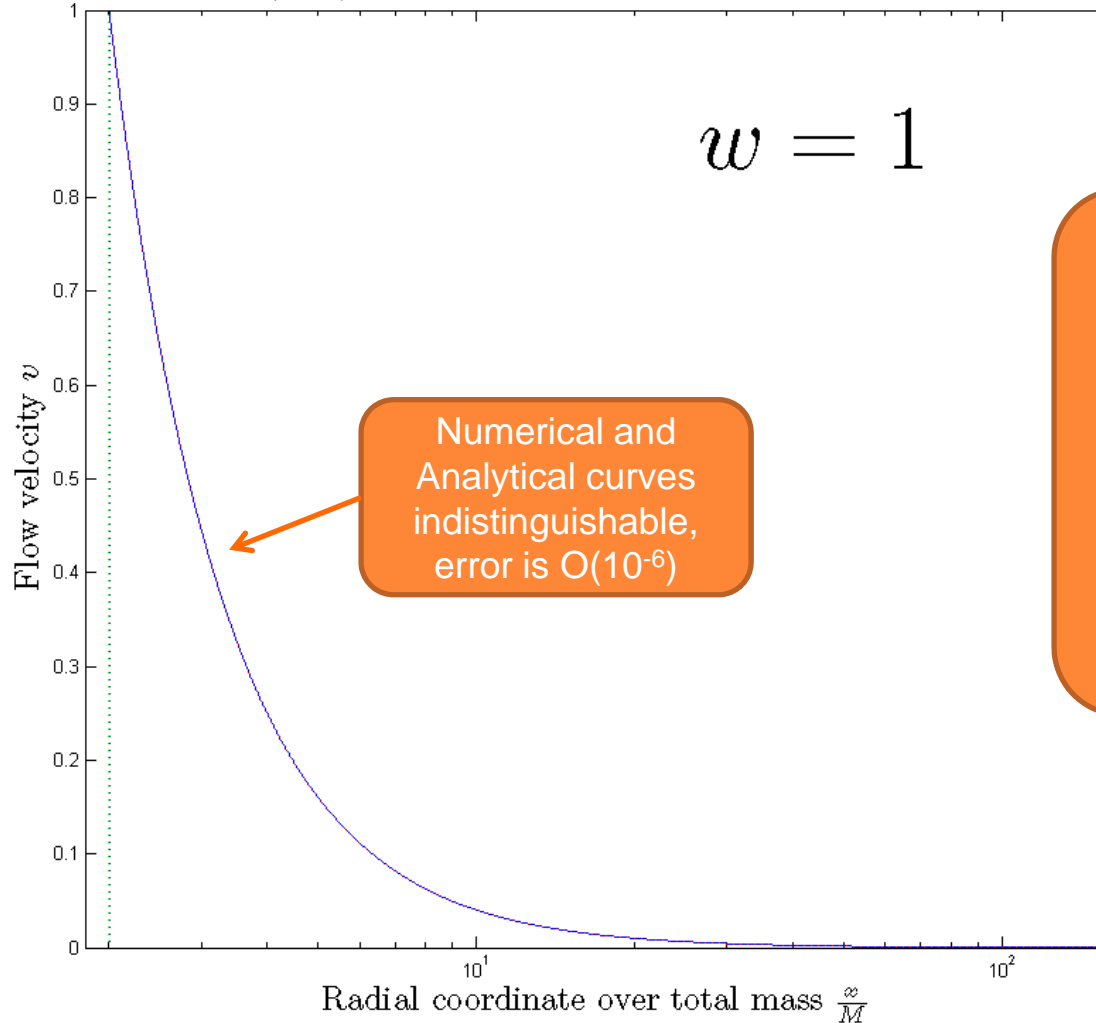
- The stiff matter case agrees well with analytical solutions  
→ shows no transonicity ( $c_s^2 = c$ ), hence no shock in the flow.
- For the polytrope  $w = 1/3$ , we see shock in the flow around the critical point that is consistent with transonic flow analysis (such as F.C. Michel and S.L. Shapiro and S.A. Teukolsky)
- Mass of central object determined by IC density at the outer boundary



# SERVING THIS NUMERICALLY

- Stiff matter EoS

Flow velocity  $v$  (blue) of accretion process alongside Babichev solution (red).



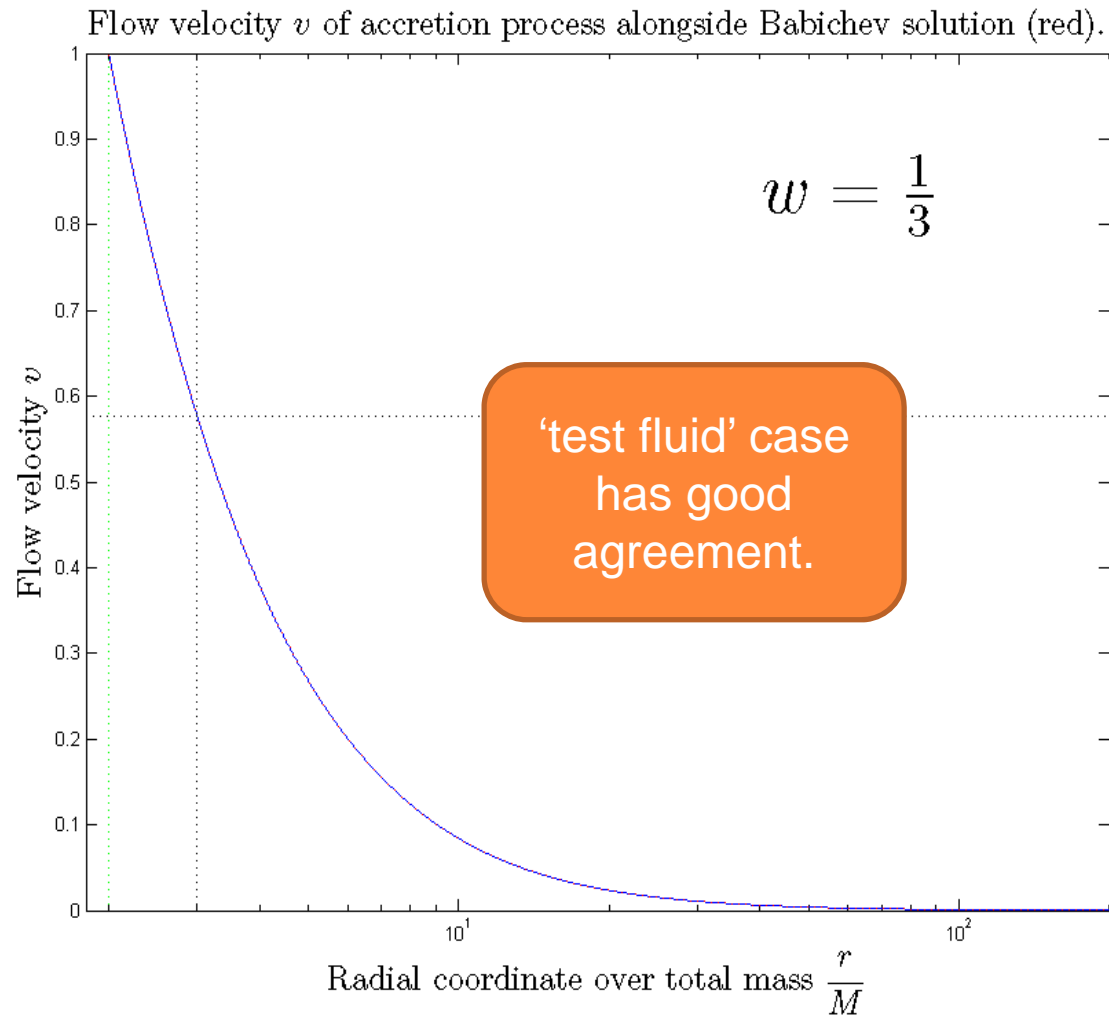
Numerical and Analytical curves indistinguishable, error is  $O(10^{-6})$

Analytical Solution by Babichev et al (2004) takes into account the Bondi type test fluid accretion



# SOLVING THIS NUMERICALLY

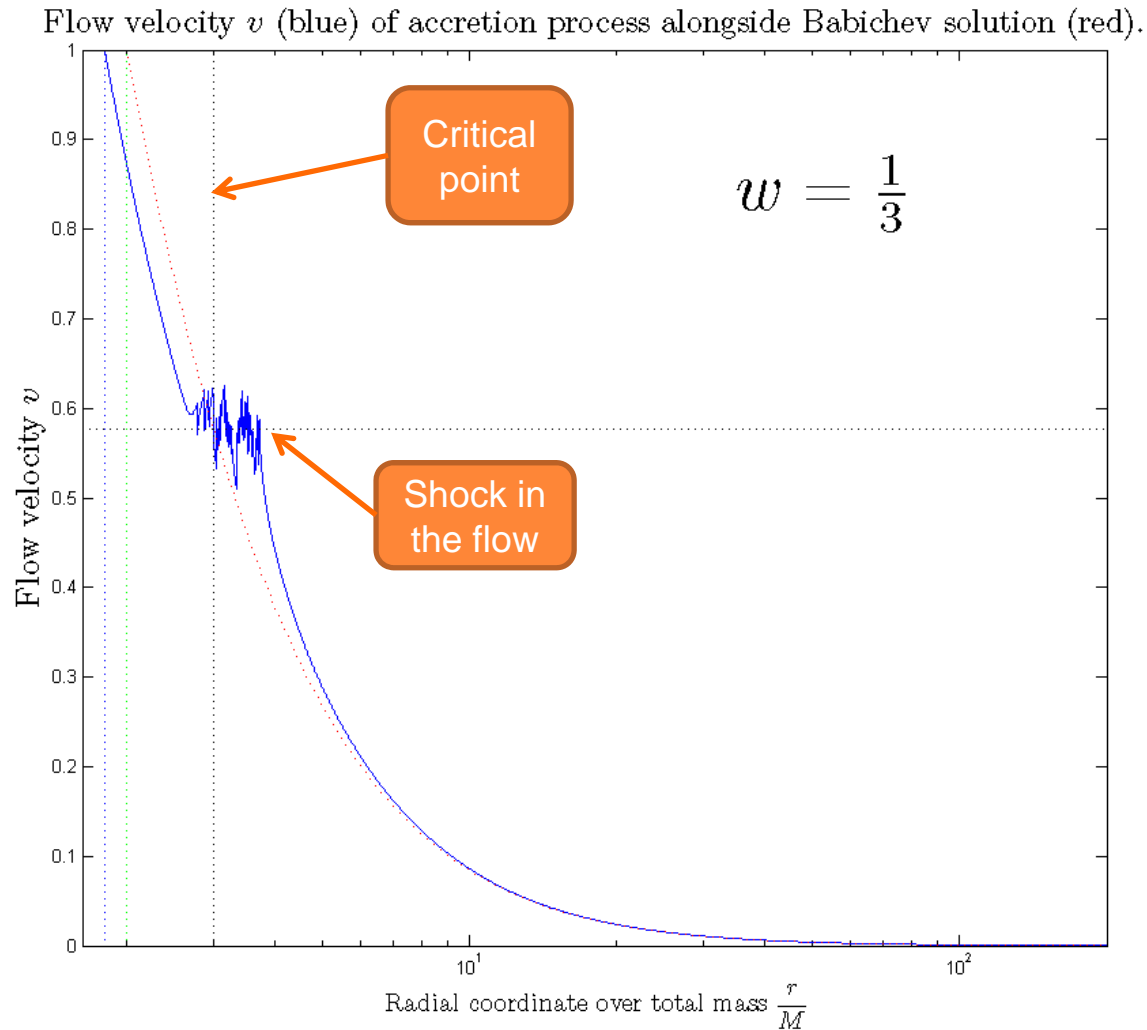
- Radiation EoS



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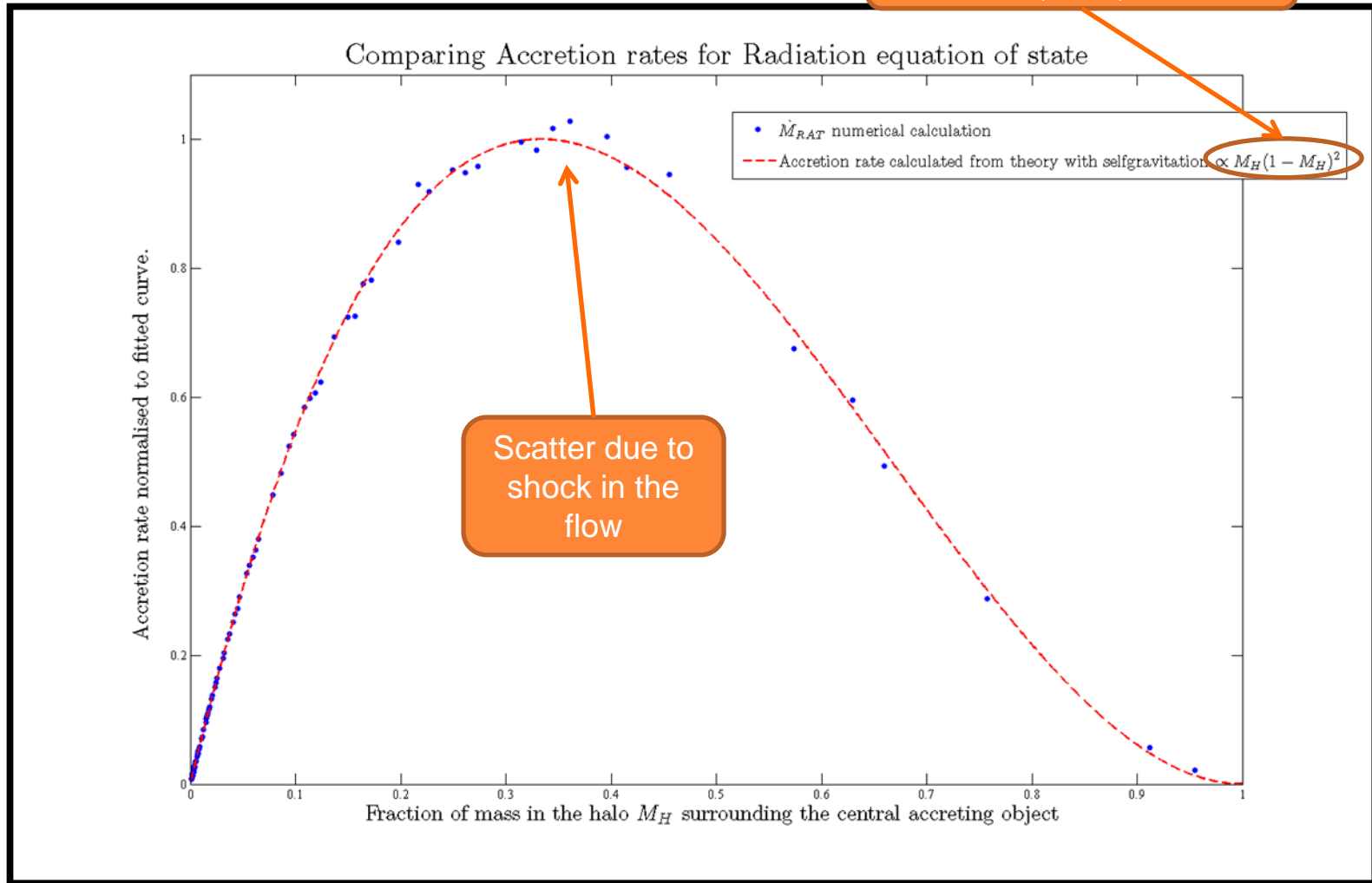
When we move away from small halo case.



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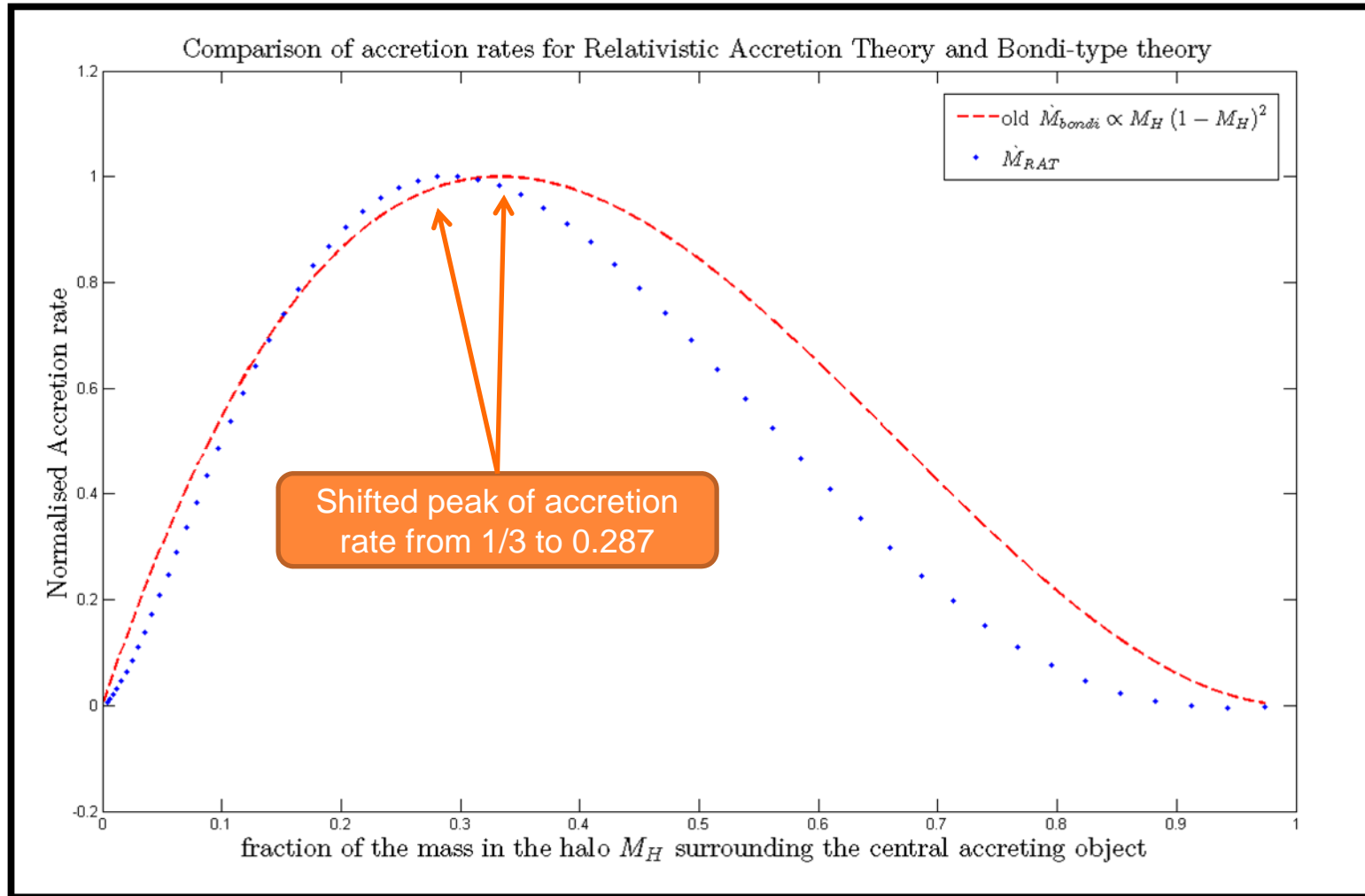
- Radiation test case

shown by Malec et al  
(2006)



# SOLVING THIS NUMERICALLY

- Relativistic Fermi Gas



# IN CONCLUSION

- The model agrees with analytical solutions of Bondi-type accretion in the “test-fluid” limiting case as set out by Babichev et al (2004), while giving a feasible picture for accretion with back-reaction.
- Model with the polytropic EoS also agrees with other selfgravitating models of accretion such as Malec et al (2006).
- Easily accommodates the case of relativistic Fermi gas accretion to accurately describe sterile neutrino dark matter accretion including the effect of selfgravitation.  
→ warrants further calculations

Thank You!

