Cluster Halo Shapes and Substructure

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Millennium Run Cluster Halos



• 100 galaxy cluster-sized dark matter halos from Millennium Run simulation (Springel et al 2005)

• $3 \times 10^{14} < M_{200} < 3 \times 10^{15} M_{\odot}/h$ ($m_{part} = 8.6 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}/h$)

• highly resolved structure and substructure

• unbiased sample of cluster halos in a large volume (L_{box}=500 Mpc/h)

Some Open Questions



- 1) What is the spatial distribution of subhalos with respect to shape of host halos?
- 2) What is the distribution of shapes of subhalos compared to that of field halos?
- 3) How do the shapes of isodensity and isopotential surfaces of halos differ?
- 4) Is the distribution of projected shapes of halos consistent with gravitational lensing observations?

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Cluster Halo Substructure Properties



- total mass in substructure within R_{200} ranges from 2% to 20% of M_{200} (avg ~8%)
- most massive subhalo is at most 3% M_{200}

Substructure Identification



• substructures in Millennium run identified with SubFind (Springel et al 2001)

• identifies locally overdense, self-bound particles in subhalos and main background halo



Characterizing Shape I

• calculate axis ratios of halo by diagonalizing inertia momentum tensor

$$M_{ij} = \Sigma x_i x_j/a^2$$

where $a = (x^2 + y^2/q^2 + z^2/s^2)^{1/2}$ and axial ratios $s \le q \le 1$

• determine unknown axial ratios by initially setting s = q = 1 and recalculating M_{ij} until axial ratio values converge (Katz 1991, Dubinski 1991)

Main Halo Shape and Subhalo Distribution



Millennium Run Cluster Halos



- major axis of satellite distribution is well-aligned with major axis of main halo and perpendicular to intermediate-minor axis plane
- angular momentum vector of halo is well-aligned with minor axis of halo in most cases, but can also be aligned with intermediate or minor axes

Shapes of Subhalos vs. Field Halos



• comparison of shapes for a sample of 3000 subhalos and equal number of field halos

- slight tendency toward rounder shapes for subhalos
- possibly the result of tidal heating by potential of cluster halo

Characterizing Shape II



- shapes of isodensity shells a la Jing & Suto 2001:
- ➢ remove substructure and isolate main halo

compute local density of particles

➢ identify concentric shells of particles with equal local densities

calculate intertia momentum tensor for particles in shells

Characterizing Shape II (cont'd)



shapes of isopotential surfaces a la Springel, White & Hernquist 2004:

compute gravitational potential on 3 orthogonal planes through centre of halo

fit 3D ellipsoid to isopotential contours on the planes

Comparison of Shape Measurements



- both methods give shape as a function of radius so compare shapes at some fiducial radius (e.g. scale radius r_s from NFW fits to density profile)
- isopotential surfaces are significantly more spherical than isodensity shells (Springel, White & Hernquist 2004)

Comparison of Shape Measurements



- shapes of isopotential surfaces are more stable with radius (halos are more spherical at large radii)
- some contours are not well fit by ellipses due to subhalos

Comparison with Lensing Observations



• compare simulated cluster halo shapes with reconstructed mass models of clusters from lensing observations

• e.g. nonparametric mass model of Abell 1689 of Diego, Sandvik et al (2005)

• are shapes of isodensity contours consistent with simulated halos?

Projected Density of Cluster Halos



- compare halo shapes with projected mass models from gravitational lensing observations
- project density of cluster halos along different lines of sight and fit isodensity contours with ellipses
- contours often poorly approximated by ellipses due to substructure
- compare statistics of peaks in surface density instead?

Projected Potential of Cluster Halos



- shapes of projected potential much better approximated by ellipses
- ellipticity of contours is well-defined as function of radius

Projection Effects



- quantify scatter in ellipticity with viewing angle
- to do: use full halo sample to calculate expected distribution of ellipticities

Comparison with A1689



• will need large homogeneous sample of lensing clusters to compare with distribution of projected shapes predicted by simulations

Future Work

•Investigate origin of halo shapes and evolution with redshift

•Investigate correlations between shape and large scale structure, orientation of halos with respect to filamentary structure

•Comparison with analytic model for distribution of triaxialities of Lee, Jing & Suto 2005

•Quantify correlations between projected satellite galaxy distribution and projected density/potential contours

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Giant Arc Statistics in the New Millennium

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Testing CDM with Strong Lensing

- Two approaches:
 - 1) Using strongly lensed images to reconstruct the mass profile of individual clusters,

i.e., Can CDM halos reproduce observed pattern of arcs in a given cluster?

2) Using cluster surveys to estimate the total number of observed strongly lensed images,

i.e., Does CDM predict the correct number of strongly lensed images?

- Problem first noticed by various authors in early 1990's (Kochanek 1990, Hammer 1991, Miralda-Escude 1991):
 - Observed number of giant arcs may exceed number expected in CDM
- Investigated by Bartelmann in a series of papers
- Bartelmann & Weiss (1994) present initial method for calculating giant arcs produced by CDM galaxy cluster halo taken from cosmological N-body simulation
- For each simulated cluster halo, three surface density fields generated by projecting halo onto planes perpendicular to the principal axes of the inertial tensor of the halo

- Deflection angle $\alpha(\mathbf{x})$ calculated on a regular grid on each lens plane
- Corresponding position on source plane defined by
 y = x α(x)
- Image points defined as all image-plane positions x which map to source plane positions y within a source radius r_s of source centre y_c
- Continguous sets of image points define strongly lensed images (arcs)
- Dimensions of arc determined by fitting ellipses to image points (giant arcs defined by I/w ≥ 10)

- Bartelmann et al (1998) perform calculation for numerous cluster halos from simulations of three different cosmologies
- Conclude that the expected number of giant arcs in LCDM is an order of magnitude less than the number of observed arcs on the whole sky based on the EMSS cluster survey
- Meneghetti, Bartelmann et al (2000) investigate the effect of cluster galaxies on arc statistics
- Cluster galaxies added "by hand" since their simulated halos had insufficient resolution to resolve substructure
- Use observed luminosity function to constrain distribution of galaxies, and assume light traces mass for spatial distribution

• Find that cluster galaxies increase the length and curvature of critical curves



Figure 6. Example of critical curves and arcs obtained in a DM (left panel) and GAL simulations (right panel). The angular dimensions of the plot correspond to \approx 333 arcsec. It can be noticed that the presence of galaxies acting as gravitational lenses can split long arcs in several arclets, and increases the length of the critical curves.

Conclude that cluster galaxies have overall an insignificant effect on arc statistics



Figure 4. The cumulative distributions for the lengths *I* (in units of arcsec) and the widths *w* (in units of the source equivalent diameter $d_s = 2$ arcsec) are presented in the left and right panels, respectively. Results for the DM and GAL simulations are shown by solid and dashed lines, respectively. Typical bootstrap errors of the curves shown here grow from ~5 per cent for small arcs to ~15 per cent for large arcs.

- Meneghetti, Bartelmann et al (2003) investigate the effect of a central cD galaxy on strong lensing properties of a galaxy cluster
- cD galaxies with masses between 5 x 10¹² Msol/h and 5 x 10¹³ Msol/h added to simulated clusters with masses between 3 x 10¹⁴ Msol/h and 10¹⁵ Msol/h
- Find relative enhancements of large-arc cross-sections of up to a factor of two, but only by 50% in realistic cases
- Conclude that the presence of a cD galaxy is unable to account for the discrepancy between predicted and observed numbers of giant arcs

- Dalal, Holder & Hennawi (2004) repeat calculation using methods similar to Bartelmann et al but find no discrepancy between predicted and observed number of giant arcs!
- Three factors of two combine to resolve the discrepancy:
 - Use an estimate of source number density as a function of redshift based on Hubble Deep Field (vs. z_s=1 assumed by Bartelmann et al)
 - 2) Use an updated EMSS sample (38 clusters vs. 16 used in Bartelmann estimate)
 - 3) Find a higher lensing cross section for their simulated clusters than Bartelmann et al (not well understood)

- Wambsganss, Bode & Ostriker (2004) also conclude that no discrepancy exists between observations and LCDM predictions
- Use multiplane lens equation instead of thin lens approximation
- But use magnification as a proxy for length-to-width ratio (i.e., assume I/w = μ)
- Find that probability of highly magnified images increases significantly for as redshift of source plane is increased



FIG. 1.—Probability for the occurrence of gravitationally lensed arcs with length-to-width ratios r (\approx magnifications μ_i) of \geq 5 (*triangles*), \geq 10 (*squares*), \geq 15 (*pentagons*), \geq 20 (*circles*), and \geq 25 (*stars*) as a function of galaxy redshift z_s for the LCDM model. For comparison, the probability as determined by B98 is indicated as a horizontal bar; they had assumed that all galaxies are at $z_s = 1$ and evaluated arcs with $r \geq$ 10. [See the electronic edition of the Journal for a color version of this figure.]

- Oguri et al (2004) use semianalytic methods to predict arc statistics for LCDM
- Conclude that triaxiality and a steep halo cusp (r^{-1.5}) required to reconcile theoretical predictions with observations
- Latest N-body simulations do not support such a steep halo cusp (Hayashi et al 2004, Navarro et al 2004)



FIG. 12.—Number of arcs in the 38 EMSS cluster sample (eq. [64]) as a function of *B*-band limiting magnitude $m_{\rm lim}$. The threshold axis ratio is $\epsilon_{\rm th} = 10$. The observed number of arcs taking account of several uncertainties, which is shown by the shaded region, is discussed in § 5.2. [See the electronic edition of the Journal for a color version of this figure.]

- Millennium Run cosmological ٠ N-body simulation
- N=10¹⁰ •

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- L_{box} =500 Mpc/h m_{part} = 8 x 10⁸ Msol/h •



- Simulation contains

 large sample of massive clusters, ideal for
 investigating strong
 lensing properties as
 function of halo shape,
 concentration,
 substructure, etc.
- Can graft galaxies onto dark matter halos using semi-analytic codes to model baryonic component and investigate source distribution

FoF Group 1/17709121, R₂₀₀=2.164 Mpc/h


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Reconstructed Mass Map of CL 0024



Fig. 1.—The reconstructed total mass density in CL 0024 is shown as a color-coded mass image. The DM is shown in orange. The mass associated with visible galaxies is shown in blue. The contours are at 0.5, 1, and 1.5 times the critical lensing density (4497 h $d_{0.27}^{-1} M_{\odot} pc^{-2}$), with heavier contour at the critical lensing density. This image is 336 h⁻¹ kpc across. North is up, and east is left.

TYSON, KOCHANSEI, & DELL'ANTONIO (see 496, L108)



Broadhurst et al (2000)



- Spectroscopic redshift for source galaxy
- Cluster mass profile consistent with NFW
- Significant substructure required

Diego, Sandvik, Protopas, Tegmark et al



Non-parametric Mass reconstruction of same cluster

Reasonably good agreement with Broadhurst et al mass model





All sources with five lensed images

 Leftmost panel shows reconstructed image of source (in source plane) generated by de-lensing the largest image (second column)

Mass Modeling and Raytracing

- "Our preference...is not to get bogged down in detail."
- Start by assigning azimuthally symmetric power law surface density profile ($\Sigma \sim 1/r^q$) to 246 early type galaxies
- Bin mass on lens plane into 1024x1024 grid
- Fit smooth component with cubic spline
- Total deflection angle is sum of contributions from smooth cluster and lumpy galaxy mass distributions ($\alpha_T = \alpha_s + \alpha_q$)

Mass Modeling and Raytracing



 Find best fit solution by iterating deflection fields, introducing polynomial perturbations to smooth component and two free parameters for amplitude of galaxy and smooth components

$$\alpha_{T} = A_0((\alpha_{s} + P) + R\alpha_{g})$$

Mass Modeling and Raytracing

 Minimization of difference between observed image positions and image positions predicted by raytracing throgh mass model

•Angular diameter distance ratio of each source scales amplitude of deflection fields, but so does normalization of surface density distribution

- i.e., mass and geometry (cosmology) determine α
- Initially assume redshift of z=3 for all sources

•Downhill simplex method used to find minimum χ^2 solution



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- comparison with light map
 - light more concentrated than mass within
 r < 50 kpc/h





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Figure 4. The plot shows the mean value (squares) and the 99% confidence region of the 1D profiles for the 1000 minimizations in case *i*). The dot-dashed line is the best fitting NFW profile found in B2004. The density has been rescaled by the critical density, Σ_{crit} . The thick solid line is a very similar NFW profile plus an excess given by 3 NFW subhaloes around the main halo. See text

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Summary

Don't leave things until the last minute...

Global Deviations from NFW Profile



 NFW profile does a reasonably good job of fitting halo profiles over the region resolved by simulations

• NFW profile turns over too sharply at $r < r_s$, resulting in a poor fit near the centre

• Largest deviations from NFW range from 10-25%

Tyson, Kochanski & Dell'Antonio (1998)

- HST imaging of multiply lensed background galaxy in cluster CL 0024+1654
- Dark and luminous components of galaxy cluster modeled with spherical mass concentrations
- Light from reconstructed source galaxy raytraced through lens plane mass model
- Resulting image compared with observed image

Reconstructed Mass Map of CL 0024



 Reconstructed cluster mass density

FIG. 2.—The reconstructed mass density not associated with visible galaxies in CL 0024 is shown as a contour plot (white contours), superposed on the F450W (*blue*) *HST* image for reference. Isomass contours for this dark mass are at 0.1E, intervals in projected mass density, with a thick contour at 1E, as labeled. The plot is 336 h^{-1} kpc (100°) across, centered at R.A. = 00°23°56%, decl. = 16°53°15″ (1950). On scales larger than 10 kpc, this majority component of the DM is ternarkably smooth. The DM substructure has already been enceed by z = 0.39.



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Mass Profile of CL 0024



-A radial plot of the mass density and light density. Total (*thick line*) and galaxy-only (*thin line*) components of the mass are shown. The dotted line NPW fit discussed in the text, and the dashed line is the best-fit single PL model. The 35 h^{-1} kpc soft core in the mass is evident. A singular mass i is ruled out. The total rest-frame V light profile (*solid line*) and galaxy V light profile (*doshed line*), smoothed with a 5 h^{-1} kpc Gaussian, are also

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Sand, Treu & Ellis (2002)

- Dark matter density profile of galaxy cluster MS 2137-23 (z=0.313)
- Obtained imaging and spectroscopy of Brightest Cluster Galaxy (BCG) and of radial and tangential arcs
- 1D lensing analysis and stellar velocity dispersion of BCG used to constrain mass profile of cluster

Spectroscopy of BCG and Arcs



FIG. 1.— HST F702W image of MS2137-23. The rectangular box shows the dimensions $(1.25 \times 20^{\prime\prime})$ and position of the ESI slit used to make the observations. The BCG, the radial and tangential arc are clearly visible at the bottom, center, and upper end of the slit.

 Obtained spectra of BCG and radial and tangential arcs using Echelle Spectrograph Imager on Keck II

• Used HST imaging to measure photometry of BCG and positions of arcs

Spectra of Arcs and Velocity Dispersion of BCG



FIG. 2.— Spectroscopic results: (Top) Strong emission lines detected in the spectra of the tangential and radial arcs. These are identified as [OII]3726,3729 at z = 1.501 and z = 1.502 respectively (marked). It is argued that the missing 3729Å line in the radial arc is obscured by sky emission. (Bottom) Stellar velocity dispersion profile of the brightest cluster galaxy (points with error bars). The superimposed histogram shows the profile of the best fitting Jaffe + generalized NFW mass model (see Sec. 3 for details), taking into account the effects of seeing (0%6), slit width, and radial binning.

• [OII] doublet identified in arc spectra gives z=1.501 and z=1.502 for tangential and radial arcs

 Velocity dispersion profile of BCG measured using stellar spectral templates of G-K giants

Lensing Mass Model

- Spherical 2-component mass model
- Jaffe density profile for luminous component:

$$\rho_L(r) = \frac{M_L r_J}{4\pi r^2 (r_J + r)^2}$$

• Generalized CDM halo density profile:

$$\rho_{d}(r) = \frac{\rho_{crit}\delta_{c}}{(r/r_{sc})^{\beta}(1+r/r_{sc})^{3-\beta}}$$

• 4 free parameters: 1) M_*/L_V , 2) inner slope β , 3) DM density d_c , 4) DM scale radius r_{sc}

Constraints on DM inner slope



FIG. 3.— Likelihood contours (68%, 95%, and 99%) obtained for the mass modeling of MS2137-23 with a Jaffe luminous distribution plus a generalized NFW DM distribution. (Top): Contours obtained from the position of the radial and tangential arcs alone. Note that a M98 ($\beta = 1.5$) profile is excluded at the 95% level. (Bottom): Contours obtained including the measured velocity dispersion profile. Note the improved constraints on the mass parameters and that NFW profiles are clearly ruled out at the 99% level.

 Constructed lensing likelihood function by comparing observed positions of arcs and predicted positions for a given mass model

 "Dynamics" likelihood function based on velocity dispersion profile derived using spherical Jeans equation assuming isotropic velocity ellipsoid

Sand, Treu & Ellis (2003)



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 Performed same analysis on five more clusters • Top row: clusters with radial and tangential arcs • Bottom row: clusters with tangential arcs only

Constraints on Inner Slope



• Average inner slope of clusters with radial arcs is $\beta = 0.52^{+0.05} /_{-0.05}$ (68% CL) Clusters with tangential arcs only give upper limit of β<0.57 (99%) CL)

FIG. 2.— Likelihood contours (65%, 95% and 99%) obtained for the radial arc sample (top row) and the tangential arc sample (bottom row) with a Jaffe luminous distribution plus a generalized NFW DM distribution. These contours were obtained after both the lensing and dynamical analysis and marginalization with respect to δ_{c} .

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Log Slope of N-Body Cluster Halos



• Average slope of simulated clusters at innermost resolved radius is $\beta \approx 1.2 >> 0.5$

• Simulations and observations have comparable scatter, $\Delta\beta\sim0.3$

Probability Distribution Functions



FIG. 4.— Probability distribution function of the DM inner density slope, β , for the three radial arc clusters. Note the wide scatter in preferred values of β from cluster to cluster, $\Delta\beta \sim 0.2$. The joint distribution was obtained by multiplying the individual PDFs and normalizing.



FIG. 5.— Probability distribution function of the DM inner density slope, β , for the tangential arc sample. These effectively allow us to place an upper limit on β for each cluster. Also plotted is the joint PDF for the radial arc sample and the tangential arc sample. There is no evidence that the radial arc sample is biased towards lower values of β .

• Mean DM distribution of all 6 clusters is inconsistent with β =1 at > 99% CL

Systematic Effects

Systematic	Test	Δβ
Cluster ellipticity and substructure	Used LENSTOOL ray-tracing program to construct non- spherical mass model for clusters with radial and tangential arcs	0.2
Anisotropic velocity distribution in BCG	Introduced constant radial and tangential anisotropy in calculation of BCG velocity dispersion	0.2
Choice of luminous mass model	Used Hernquist model instead of Jaffe	Negligible
BCG surface photometry fits	Changed effective radius by +/- 10%	Negligible

Strong Lensing in Galaxy Clusters



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• Sand, Treu & Ellis (2003): used gravitational lensing and stellar dynamics to constrain mass profiles of six galaxy clusters • Mean cluster density profile is inconsistent with NFW at 99% CL • See Bartelmann & Meneghetti and Dalal & Keeton for effects of ellipticity

Deviations from Axial Symmetry



 Reconstructed cluster mass density

Fig. 5. Critical curves of a simulated cluster in various stages of smoothing. As described in the text, the smoothing procedure conserves the total cluster mass and its density profile by construction. The ragged line is the original critical curve. Even moderate smoothing makes the critical curves shrink and considerably reduces the radial range where tangential and radial arcs can be found.

Abell 1689

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HST ACS
imaging of Abell
1689 by
Broadhurst et al
(2004)

Galaxy Cluster Abell 1689 Warps Space Credit: <u>N. Benitez (JHU)</u>, T. Broadhurst (<u>Hebrew Univ.</u>), H. Ford (JHU), M. Clampin (<u>STScI</u>), G. Hartig (STScI), G. Ilingworth (<u>UCO/Lick</u>), <u>ACS Science Team</u>, <u>ESA</u>, <u>NASA</u>

Explanation: Two billion light-years away, galaxy cluster Abell 1689 is one of the most massive objects in the Universe. In this view from the Hubble Space Telescope's <u>Advanced Camera</u> for Surveys, Abell 1689 is seen to warp space as predicted by <u>Einstein's</u> theory of gravity -- bending light from individual galaxies which lie behind the cluster to produce multiple, curved images. The power of this <u>enormous</u> gravitational lens depends on its mass, but the <u>visible matter</u>, in the form of the cluster's yellowish galaxies, only accounts for about one percent of the mass needed to make the observed bluish <u>arcing images</u> of background galaxies. In fact, most of the gravitational mass required to <u>warp space</u> enough to explain this cosmic scale lensing is in the form of still mysterious <u>dark matter</u>. As the dominant source of the cluster's gravity, the <u>dark matter's</u> unseen presence is <u>mapped out</u> by the lensed arcs and <u>distorted</u> background galaxy images.

Tomorrow's picture: red hills of mars



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Simulations with sufficient resolution to resolve down to 10 kpc/h contain dark matter only (no baryonic physics). However, the inclusion of baryons is expected to steepen the density profile, making the problem even worse. Perhaps a more complicated interaction between baryonic material and dark matter which forms the central cusp..?

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Hubble Space Telescope • Advanced Camera for Surveys Galaxy Cluster Abell 1689

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Introduction

Q: What is the nature of the Universe?

- A: A Universe dominated by Cold Dark Matter (CDM) and nonzero Cosmological Constant Λ ?
 - Successes/Motivations:
 - Clustering properties of CDM, CMB power spectrum, BBN and baryon fraction in clusters, supernovae cosmology
 - Challenges:
 - Too much substructure in CDM halos?
 - Constant density "core" inferred from rotation curves
 - Distribution of mass on large scales from gravitational lensing

Testing the Paradigm

- What are the predictions of the model?
 - The structure of CDM halos in cosmological simulations
- Are the predictions consistent with observations?
 - The mass profile of galaxy clusters inferred from gravitational lensing studies
- "The ultimate test of theory lies in agreement with observations"

Hayashi, 2001

Dark Halo Structure: Then...



FIG. 3.—Density profiles of four halos spanning 4 orders of magnitude in mass. The arrows indicate the gravitational softening, h_g , of each simulation. Also shown are fits from eq. (3). The fits are good over two decades in radius, approximately from h_g out to the virial radius of each system.

 Navarro, Frenk and White (NFW, 1996): a universal density profile of dark matter halos

$$\rho_{NFW} = \frac{\rho_{crit}\delta_c}{r/r_s(1+r/r_s)^2}$$

- Inner slope of NFW profile is β=1
- Halos with 10⁴ particles resolved down to 10% of virial radius, r_{vir}

Dark Halo Structure: ...and Now

4 Dwarf Halos (80 kpc/h box shown)



Halos with 10⁶ particles resolved down to 1% of r_{vir}

Universality of Density Profile



• Dark matter density increases toward the centre down to the innermost resolved radius

 Halo density profiles are universal for dwarfs, galaxies and clusters

 Small but significant scatter in shape of density profile from halo to halo

Logarithmic Slope of Density Profile



 Density profiles continue to get shallower all the way down to the innermost resolved radius

 No obvious convergence to an asymptotic value of central slope

• Slope at innermost radius ranges β =1 to β =1.4