



DYNAMICAL FRICTION IN FUZZY DARK MATTER UNIVERSE



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Dark Matter models

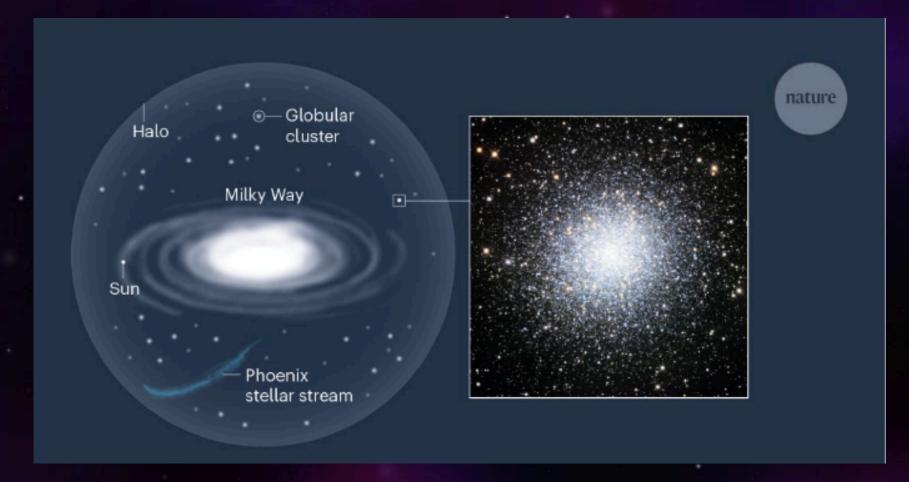
Cold Dark Matter

Fuzzy Dark Matter

Credits: Nori+22



Globular clusters



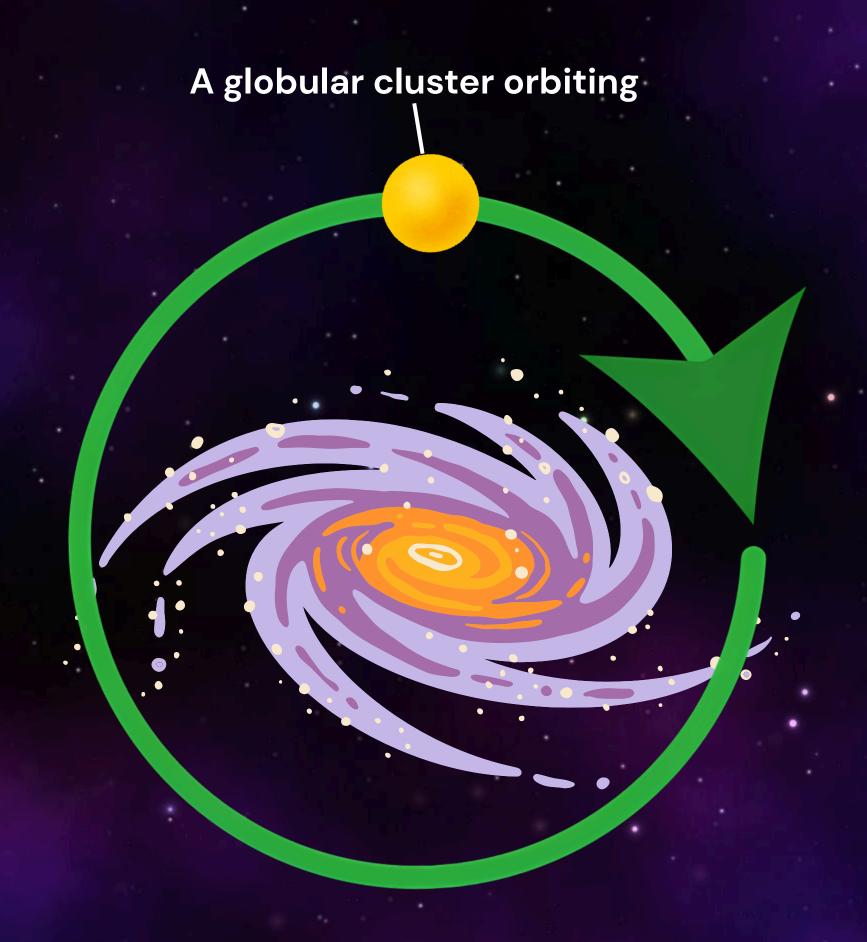
Credits: Nature

- Very dense objects composed of millions of stars
- Globular clusters are orbiting within galaxies
- 171 globular clusters in the Milky Way (Gaia collaboration +18, +21, Vasiliev & Baumgardt+21)



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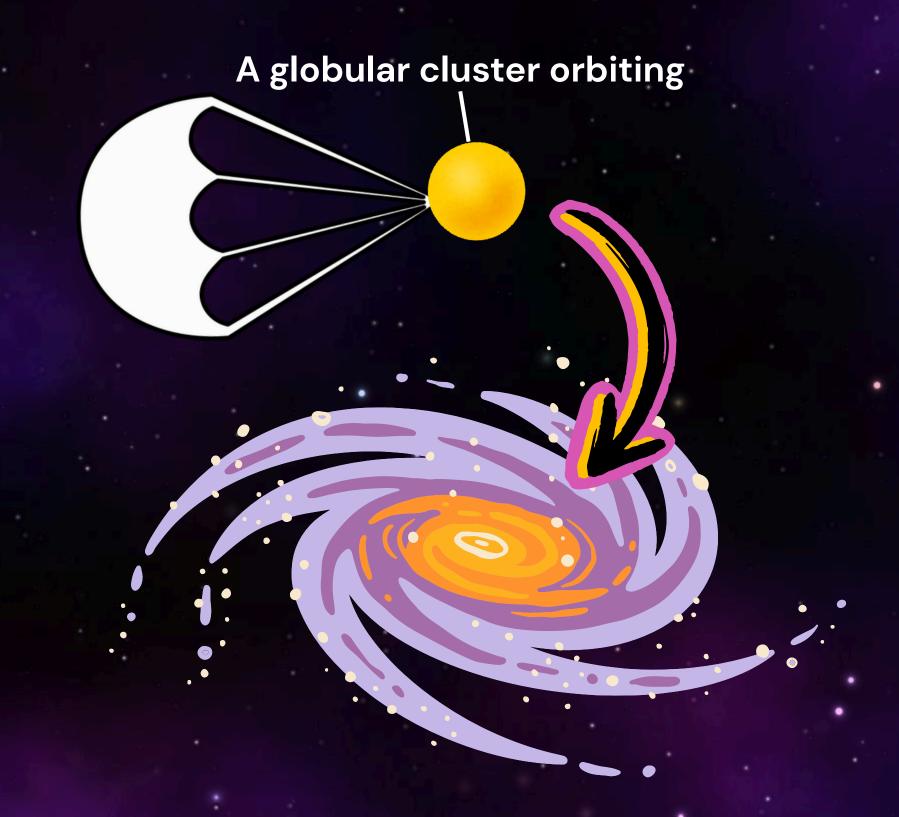
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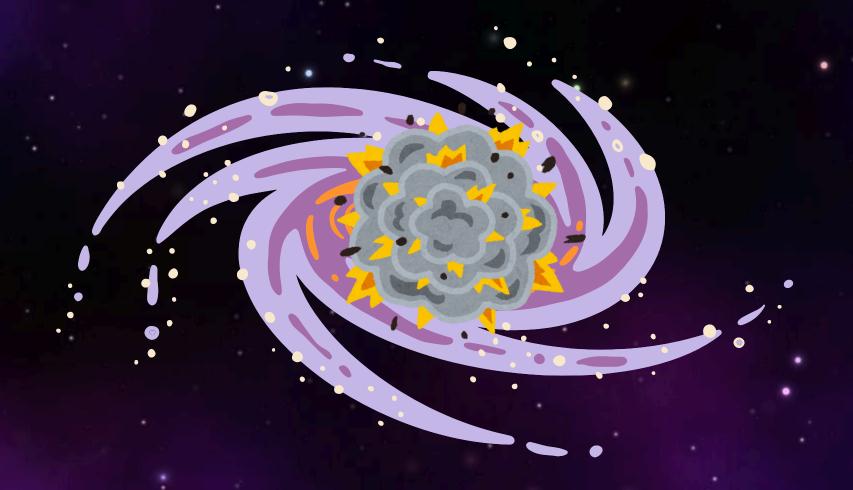
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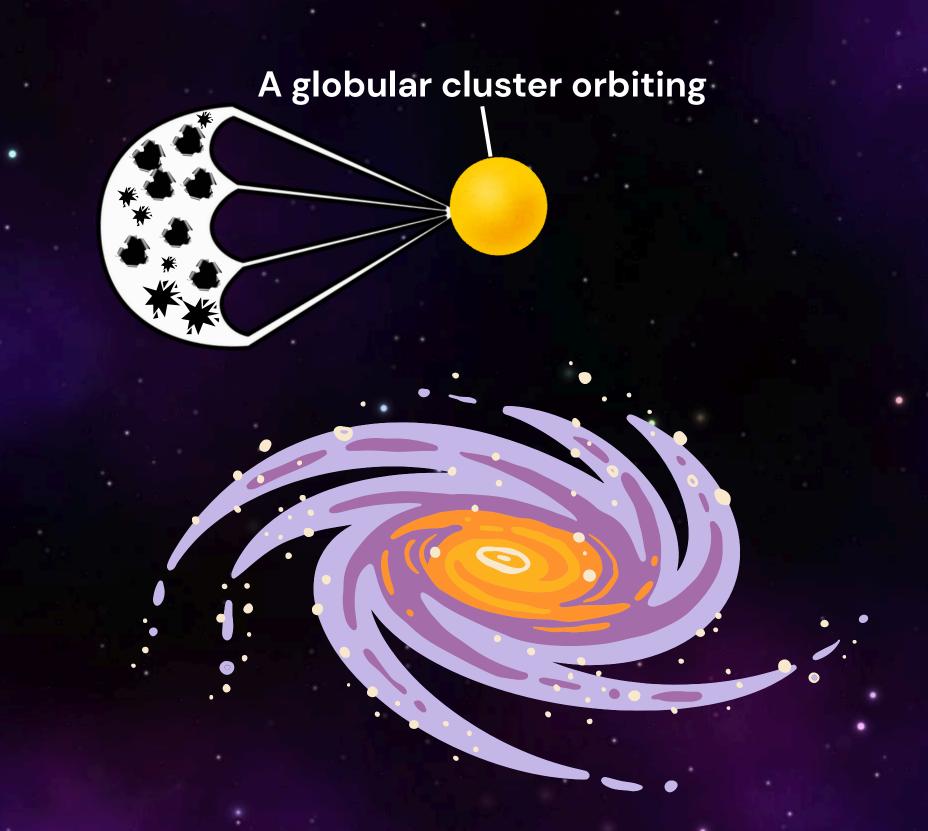
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- → ... and falls to the center





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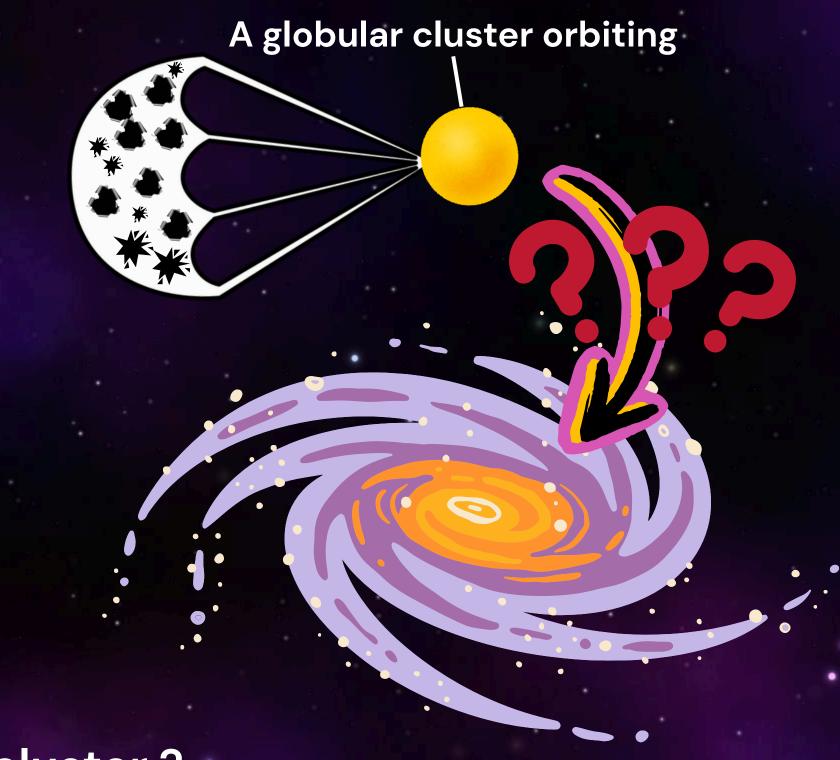
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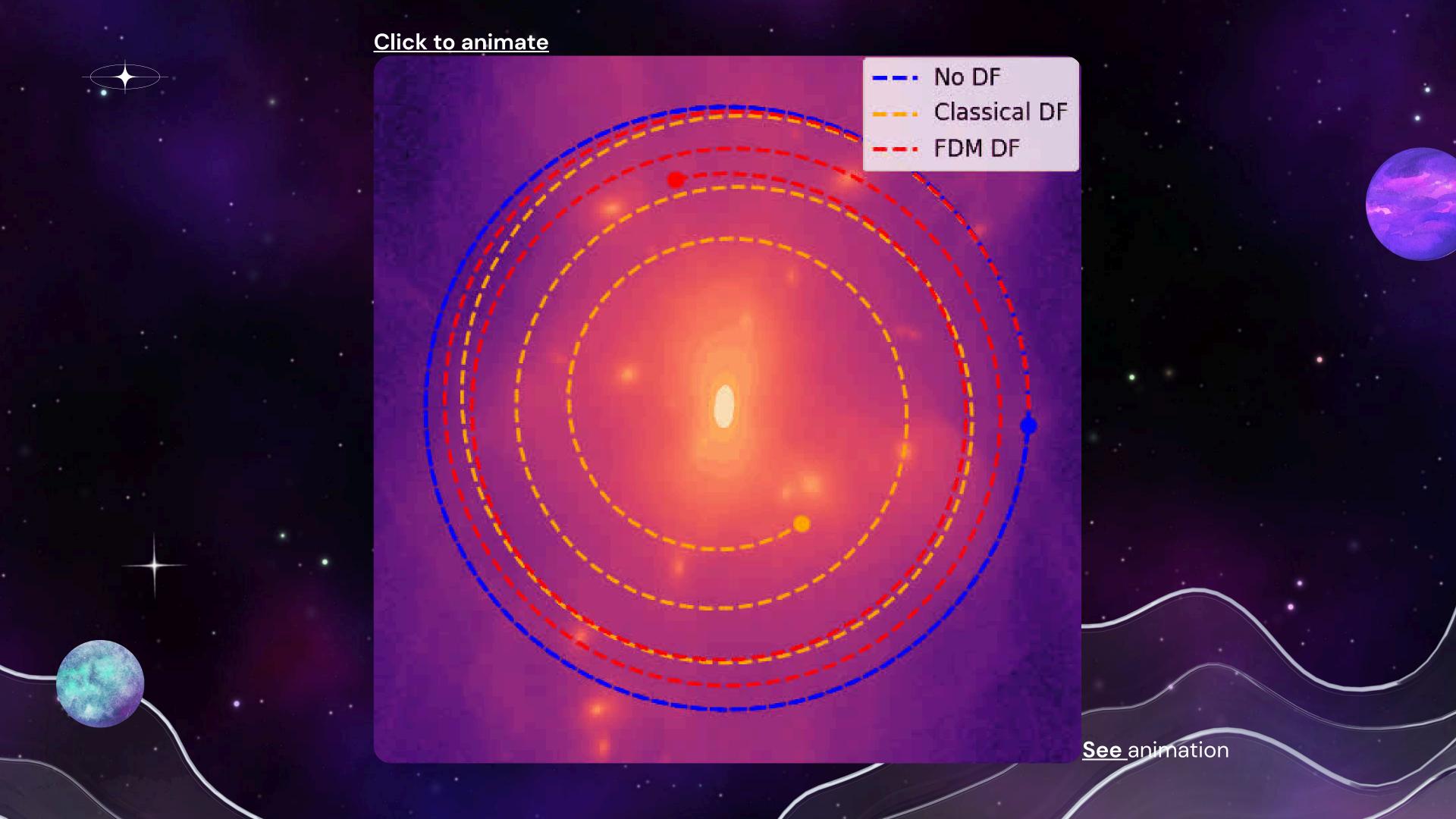


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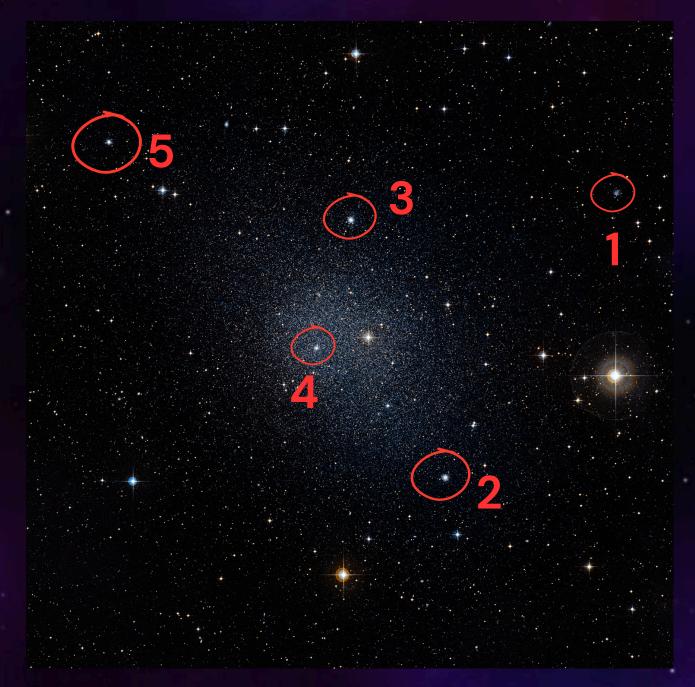
What will be the fate of the globular cluster?



Fornax Dwarf Galaxy



Fornax is older than 10 billion years!



Crédits:	ESO/Digitized	Sky Survey 2
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	Fall-in time in CDM (in billion years)	Fall-in time in FDM (in billion years)
GC n°1	25	209
GC n°2	2.6	29
GC n°3	0.24	11
GC n°4	0.15	18
GC n°5	5.12	38

