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Revisit of the state-of-the-art in simulating galaxy formation? *Simon White, MPI for Astrophysics*

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Planck CMB map: the IC's for structure formation





Before PlanckAfter Planck $\Omega_m = 0.315 \pm 0.015$ $\Omega_{bar} = 0.049 \pm 0.003$ from CMB data aloneif the Universe is flat. $F_{bar} = 0.154 \pm 0.005$



A "Milky Way" halo in CDM and WDM (a 1.4 keV thermal relic)



- What is the Dark Matter? the Dark energy?
- Does this affect galaxy formation? (...dwarfs? first stars? reionization?)



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The stellar mass of the central galaxy increases rapidly with halo mass at small halo mass, but slowly at large halo mass The characteristic halo mass at the bend is 5 x 10^{11} M_o



The maximum halo mass fraction in central galaxy stars is <4% This is attained for halos similar in mass to the Milky Way's halo The fraction drops very rapidly to higher and lower masses



Galaxy formation efficiency is: $\epsilon = M_* / (\Omega_b M_{h,max} / \Omega_m)$

This *maximises* at about 25%

It is substantially lower than in early galaxy formation simulations In the Milky Way about $2 \times 10^{11} M_{\odot}$ of baryons are "missing"



More recent simulations have retuned to better match the observed (in)efficiency



At least as much oxygen is estimated in the CGM as in the ISM of galaxies

The galaxy-gas correlation function



MgII is distributed around passive galaxies similarly to the dark matter (from Guangtun Zhu & Brice Ménard)

Stacked Y₅₀₀(M_{*}) for Locally Brightest Galaxies

Planck Collaboration 2013: PIP-XI



Signal is detected down to $\log M_{\bullet}/M_{\odot} \sim 11.0$

Inferred Y–M_h compared to X-ray cluster result

Planck Collaboration 2013: PIP-XI



LBG and MCXC results consistent to 20% Scaling continues down to log $M_h / M_{\odot} \sim 12.5$ with no break. Planck sees all(?) the cosmic baryons associated with galaxy halos!



- Only a small fraction of all baryons are in galaxies
- Only a small fraction of the baryons which participated in galaxy formation are still in galaxies
- Most of the heavy elements produced by galactic stars are no longer in galaxies
- The structure of the CGM is complex, including multiple phases, inflows and outflows
- Feedback is regulating galaxy formation, but *not* the same feedback that regulates GMC star formation!

- Infall and radiative cooling
 - -- mixing and interface effects between inflow and outflow
 - -- photo-, collisional and nonequilibrium ionization
 - -- metallicity and dust effects
- Star formation
 - -- threshold density/surface density, low efficiency
 - -- metallicity and environment dependences, IMF
 - -- starburst mode
- Input from stars
 - -- injection of radiative/kinetic/thermal energy, mass and metals
 - -- interaction with ISM structure, wind generation, mass loading
- Accretion onto and output from AGN (radiative, hydrodynamic..)
- Effects of cosmic rays and B fields
- Environment effects (interactions, mergers, stripping, irradiation)



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Several groups now make viable Milky Ways



Guedes et al. 2011, 2012







Guedes et al. 2011, 2012

Marinacci et al 22013

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Different baryonic physics codes give very different galaxies when applied to the <u>same</u> initial conditions

clues to galactic astro-physics or just a need to tune parameters?

The Aquila Project Scannapieco et al 2012



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• Improve understanding by tests for physical consistency and against data of <u>different</u> kinds

Information content of the *Planck* CMB map



Six parameters fine-tuned to fit a single curve

Planck+WP

Parameter	Best fit	68% limits
$\Omega_{\rm b} h^2$	0.022032	0.02205 ± 0.00028
$\Omega_{\rm c}h^2$	0.12038	0.1199 ± 0.0027
$100\theta_{MC}$	1.04119	1.04131 ± 0.00063
au	0.0925	$0.089^{+0.012}_{-0.014}$
$n_{\rm s}$	0.9619	0.9603 ± 0.0073
$\ln(10^{10}A_{\rm s})$	3.0980	$3.089^{+0.024}_{-0.027}$





SA model of Guo et al (2011) constrained by observed stellar mass and luminosity functions at z = 0, 1, 2 and 3

Parameters are determined by data at each individual redshift

No parameter set is consistent with data at all redshifts

(At least) one parameter is required to vary with redshift

Henriques et al 2013

Henriques et al 2013b, Planck cosmology



Changing the assumed timescale for reincorporation of wind ejecta

$$t_{return} = const. / H(z) V_{halo} \longrightarrow t_{return} = const. / M_{halo}$$

allows a good fit to data at all redshifts for the same # of parameters



Clustering predictions depend weakly and at a similar level on cosmology and galaxy formation model

Hearin & Watson 2013

• Assume that L of the galaxy in each subhalo in a DM simulation is a monotonic function of its V_{peak}

- *Assume* that galaxy colour is a monotonic function of subhalo age
- Abundance matching can then be used to populate the simulation
 - Comparing to real clustering tests assumptions + cosmology + simulation accuracy, but does not separate them
 - Observed luminosity and colour distributions are *input*, so are not used to constrain formation physics





It is important (but not always easy) to separate

- assumption from deduction
- physics from fitting
- astrophysics from cosmology from numerics
- Galaxy abundances put *strong* constraints on formation processes -- better to use them!
- SA models typically have only as many free parameters as needed to fit the adopted constraints
- To date they have been <u>by far</u> the most predictive and most highly tested of all astrophysical simulations

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- >580 papers have used these predictions
- Most use the galaxies and are by authors unassociated with the Virgo Consortium













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Scaling Simulations to neighboring cosmologies

Angulo & White 2010

For example: 'WMAP1' -
$$\Omega_{m} = 0.25$$
, $\Omega_{b} = 0.045$, $\sigma_{8} = 0.9$
to 'WMAP3' - $\Omega_{m} = 0.238$, $\Omega_{b} = 0.0416$, $\sigma_{8} = 0.76$

 Scale simulation size to match power spectrum slopes of original and target cosmologies on the scales of the target z=0 halos
 -- 685 Mpc 593 Mpc

2) Reassign redshifts to match linear amplitudes on these scales -- z = 0.57, 1.68, 2.92 z = 0, 1, 2

3) Scale particle masses and velocities to match $\Omega_{\rm m}$ and new size -- 1.2 x 10⁹ M_{\odot} 7.7 x 10⁸ M_{\odot}

4) Adjust for the difference between amplitudes of original and target power spectra on large scales using linear theory.

Effect of changing cosmology on structure growth



Scalings needed to adapt the MS to changing CMB cosmologies



Switching from WMAP1 to WMAP7

Small shifts in the parameters of the galaxy formation model allow the galactic stellar mass function to be fit equally well in the two cosmologies despite

$$\sigma_8 = 0.90$$
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$$\sigma_{8} = 0.81$$

Parameter	Description	WMAP1	WMAP7
α	Star formation efficiency	0.02	0.015
ϵ	Amplitude of SN reheating efficiency	6.5	4.5
β_1	Slope of SN reheating efficiency	3.5	4
V_{reheat}	normarlization of SN reheating efficiency dependence on Vmax	70	80
η	Amplitude of SN ejection efficiency	0.32	0.33
β_2	Slope of SN ejection efficiency	3.5	6.5
V_{eject}	normarlization of SN ejection efficiency dependence on Vmax	70	80
κ	Hot gas accretion efficiency onto black holes	$1.5 imes 10^{-5}$	6.0×10^{-6}

Switching from WMAP1 to WMAP7



Guo et al 2013

..but the galaxy formation sequence is wrong in both



Feedback effects in a realistic galaxy formation model affect the mass power spectrum at the several percent level even at $\lambda \sim 10$ Mpc This poses a problem for "precision" cosmology



Galaxy formation is highly nonlinear and sensitive to subgrid recipes, to numerical implementations and to cosmology

- These are not easily separated
- The galaxy distribution is much more strongly affected by formation physics than by cosmology
- Even "clean" probes like lensing (and BAOs?) are affected by galaxy formation at a level which may compromise "precision" cosmology.











In complex, multi-scale and highly nonlinear subjects like galaxy and star formation, true progress is possible only if modelling is combined with close attention to OBSERVATION

Observers are needed if we are to bridge the gap!







