Small-scale cosmology with dwarf galaxies

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Initial conditions of the Universe

Temperatur: 2.7 Kelvin (red/blue: 0.0002 Kelvin difference)



Traces the initial mass/energy distribution of the Universe

The Cosmic Web of Dark Matter

Filamentary large-scale structure of the Universe.



- Filaments and voids
- Baryons follow DM distribution

Credit: Millenium Simulation Project

Dark Matter accretion

Accretion of dark matter subhalos through filaments.



Dwarf galaxies are the building blocks of the Universe!

Adopted from Ahmed et al. (2017).

The Local Volume

Galaxies within 10 Mpc represent the nearby Universe.



https://www.sao.ru/lv/lvgdb/introduction.php, Karachentsev et al. (2013)

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Andromeda and MW



Planar structures



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Comparison to simulations

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Is the Local Group unique?

Three major tasks

- Find dwarf galaxies
- Measure their distances and velocities
- Compare to cosmological simulations

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Fig. 11. (a) Retinal image and (b) max-tree segmentation result.

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STUDIES OF THE VIRGO CLUSTER. III. A CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM AND AN ILLUSTRATED ATLAS OF VIRGO CLUSTER DWARF GALAXIES

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ABSTRACT

Photographs enlarged to a common scale are given for 138 dwarf galaxies in the region of the Virgo cluster. Most are cluster members, as judged either from their uniquely low surface brightness and/or morphology, or occasionally from velocity data. All known Hubble galaxy types have been found in the Virgo cluster, ranging in absolute magnitude from the brightest known giant ellipticals and spirals to all the types of dwarfs that were expected from prior knowledge of the dE, Sm, Im, and blue compact dwarfs (BCD) in the Local Group and its environs. A new type of very large diameter (10 000 pc), low central surface brightness ($\geq 25 B$ mag/arcsec) galaxy, that comes in both early (i.e., dE) and late (i.e., Im V) types, has been isolated, but there are, as yet, no known examples in the local neighborhood. The Atlas is organized in a way that recognizes the continuum between the giant and the dwarf ellipticals on the one hand, and the linear progression which, in order, connects the high luminosity Sc and Sd

Survey Cen A Group (DECam)

- Survey Cen A group
- Subgroups: Cen A (4 Mpc) M 83 (5 Mpc)
- 50 known group members
- 500 sq. deg field in g and r

Gray rectangle: PiSCES footprint (Crnojevic et al. 2015, Sand et al. 2014)

Mugshots

Müller et al. (2017a)

Photometric relations

- gray dots: LG dwarfs
- gray squares: known Cen A dwarfs
- red/black squares: new Cen A dwarfs

Müller et al. (2017a)

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Müller et al. (2017a)

VLT follow-ups

Excellent seeing required (< 0.6 arcsec)

VLT follow-ups

Müller et al. (2018b)








Müller et al. (2019c)

Luminosity function of Cen A in CDM



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Two planes of satellites (Tully et al. 2015)



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Müller et al (2016), Crnojevic et al. (2019), Müller et al. (2019c)

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Group is edge-on!



- 16 out of 30 satellites have velocity measurements
- 14 out of 16 share coherent movement
- Oddity: same signal for PNe



For the Local Group <1% in CDM

Comparison to IllustrisTNG





Bad seeing okay (> 1.0 arcsec)

Credit: ESO



1.1

1.0

6.0 Relative Flux 8.0 C

0.6

0.5

Hβ

475

5000





Fahrion et al. (in prep.)



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Müller et al. (in prep)



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The Local Group is not unique!

Known co-rotating systems in the Universe



Müller thesis

Three suggested formation scenarios





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Filamentary accrection

Filamentary Accretion



- Can produce transient planar structures (Buck et al. 2015)
- Filaments are too thick
- Better resolution, worse results
- Baryonic physics: no change
- Self-consistently implemented in the simulations

Group infall

Group Infall



- Dwarf associations accreted in single event.
- Need 10+ dwarfs.
- Observations: 3-4 dwarfs in such groups.
- Need 30 kpc extension
- Observations: 200 kpc extended
- Self-consistently implemented in the simulations

Dwarf galaxies as tidal remnants

- Dwarf galaxies as TDGs (e.g. Zwicky 1956, Lynden-Bell 1976, Kroupa et al. 2010, Hammer et al. 2013, 2018a)
- TDGs form along plane of interaction and inherit momentum
- Dark Matter free, but show DM behaviour! MOND (Milgrom 1983)?
 DM mass overestimated (Hammer et al. 2018b)?



Pawlowski et al. 2011, 2012

Dwarf galaxies as tidal remnants



Bilek et al. (2018)



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Local environment?



Libeskind et al. (2015)

Alignments of planes



Libeskind et al. (2019)

More observations needed


Summary

- Detected numerous dwarfs in different groups
- Automatic detection of dwarfs quite promising
- Measured distances and velocities with VLT
- Strong evidence for co-rotating plane-of-satellites around Cen A which challenges our understanding of structure formation
- Need more observational data!