Exploring the Universe with Line-Intensity mapping

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Growth of Structure

E. D. Kovetz

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 Targ Intensity maps: noisy distribution of all galaxies and IGM





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Schaan & White (2021)

Probing the Universe with LIM

• Exciting experimental landscape!



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- Extending cosmic distance ladder to z > 3
- H_0 tension
- Dark energy

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$$H_0 \times t_U \propto \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{(1+z')E(z')}$$
 constraints

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P(k): best for cosmo, integrals of luminosity functions

Working on their combination & covariance

VID: best for astro, integrals of clustering

Sato-Polito & JLB (2022)

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DM & Neutrinos

- Dark Matter:
 - Vast variety of candidates with rich phenomenology
 - Weak coupling with baryons: decaying dark matter (axion, sterile neutrinos, ...)
- Neutrinos:
 - Controlled by the electromagnetic transition moments
 - SM prediction of neutrino lifetime: $\tau_{\nu} \sim 10^{40-50}$ s ($\gg t_U$)
 - BSM physics may enhance transition moments: detection \rightarrow BSM physics!

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Exotic radiative decays

• Decaying dark matter: $\chi \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$

$$\nu_{\gamma} = m_{\chi}c^{2}/2h_{P} \qquad \rho_{L}^{\chi}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{z}) = \rho_{\chi}(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{z})c^{2}\Gamma_{\chi}f_{\chi}f_{\gamma\gamma}f_{esc}(1+2\mathcal{F}_{\gamma})$$



Traces directly the DM density field

 $\Theta_{\mathbf{v}}$

Exotic radiative decays



Traces directly the cosmic neutrino density field

JLB, Caputo, Villaescusa-Navarro, Kamionkowski (2021)

Effect in power spectrum

• Confusion in redshift → projection effects → **extra anisotropy**



• Model it similar to AP effect: $k_i^{true} \equiv k_i^{infer}/q_i$

$$q_{\parallel} = \frac{(1+z_X)/H(z_X)}{(1+z_l)/H(z_l)} \qquad \qquad q_{\perp} = \frac{D_M(z_X)}{D_M(z_l)}$$

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- $\mathcal{P}_{\tilde{\rho}}$: PDF of normalized densities. Obtained from simulations
- We provide the first analytic fit to $\mathcal{P}_{\widetilde{\rho}_{\nu}}$, using Quijote simulations and symbolic regression

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No noise contribution included here!

Sensitivity in axion context



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Sensitivities to neutrino decay



Challenges & improvements

- Challenges:
 - Astrophysical uncertainties: marginalization, break degeneracies
 - Other contaminants: loss of information, potential biases
 - Line broadening (currently testing BAO robustness against this)
- Reasons to be optimistic:
 - Many pathfinders and experiments in the pipeline (and theory efforts too!)
 - Other summary statistics
 - BAO: clean measurement
 - Exotic decays:
 - Extensible to other interloper-treatement, summary statistics, etc
 - Multiprobe with galaxy clustering and weak lensing
 - New info and checks through cross correlations

Conclusions

- LIM holds a great protential for cosmology:
 - DM nature through small scales clustering (cosmic dawn)
 - Early Universe: Primordial non-Gaussianity, CIPs, ...
 - Neutrino cosmology
- LIM BAO will constrain dark energy at z<10
- Exotic decays: adapting techniques to identify and model interlopers is a cheap and powerful strategy.
 - DM: HETDEX & SPHEREx will improve current constraints (1-10 eV) and AtLAST will be similar to IAXO (0.01-0.1 eV)
 - Neutrinos: Improve CMB forecasts and competitive with best constraints

Back up slides

Signal strongly depends on astrophysical processes

21 CM (pre-reio)

CO, CII, OIII, H α , H β ,... 21cm (post-reio)

Continuum

Lyα

Adapted from P. Breysse, Background: Sci. Am.



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LIM BAO



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