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M87; Credit: ESO

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Observed dwarf galaxies present very diverse and puzzling properties.



Some Local Group dwarf galaxies

DWARF=

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- Dark matter dominated
- Low mass
- Low metallicity

But...

- Very diverse morphologies, sizes, emission, star formation histories, internal mass distribution, spatial distribution, ...
- Some properties disagree with LCDM theoretical predictions obtained from cosmological simulations ('small scale problems in LCDM')

(See eg Bullock&Boylan-Kolchin17)

Zoom-in cosmological hydrodynamical (DM, gas and stars) simulations of galaxy formation as tools to understand dwarf galaxy formation/evolution in a LCDM context: High resolution to focus on smallest scales



Large volume dark matter-only cosmological box



A small region centered in a main halo is selected...

...and resimulated at high resolution $$m_{dm}{\sim}10^6$\,Msol$

...including hydrodynamics m_{gas} ~10⁴ Msol

CLUES Project (Yepes+14), MagICC Project (Brook+12), NIHAO Project (Wang+15), PDEVA-5004 (Domenech-Moral+12), Aquarius-Cα (Springel+08,Tissera+)

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1. INTERNAL STRUCTURE OF DWARF GALAXIES

LCDM predicts a unique rotation curve for galaxies of a same mass scale. However, observed rotation curves of dwarf galaxies reveal a diversity of shapes. DIVERSITY OF DWARF GALAXY ROTATION CURVES: THE 'CUSP-CORE' PROBLEM.



Diversity can be achieved by feedback-driven baryonic outflows that lead to the expansion of the dark matter halo

THE MASS DISCREPANCY – ACCELERATION RELATION (+SCATTER) IS REPRODUCIBLE IN LCDM (Santos-Santos+16)



Examples of rotation curves of

MaGICC simulated galaxies

See Stinson+13.Brook+14

Dark matter halo expansion in LCDM can reproduce the most extreme slowly-rising rotation curves observed (i.e. largest cores) _{Santos-Santos+18}



Circular velocity computed from the 'true' gravitational potential (instead of assuming spherical symmetry)

$$V_{\text{circ-potential}} = \sqrt{R \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial R}}_{z=0}$$



The cuspiest cases remain a problem for galaxy formation models that allow for DM halo expansion

(see Santos-Santos, Navarro et al. 2020c)

2. DUST EMISSION IN DWARF GALAXIES

Recent *Herschel* observations of dwarf galaxies show a diversity of submm-IR SED shapes, as compared to massive galaxies **INFRARED SPECTRAL ENERGY DISTRIBUTIONS**



- Dwarf galaxies show particular spectral features \rightarrow 'special' DUST emission
- Current models invoke the need for extra dust components but cannot give a physical explanation

The interplay of molecular clouds and cirrus (dense and diffuse dust phases), as modeled in *GRASIL-3D*, can explain the characteristic SED features observed in dwarf galaxies. Santos-Santos+17

3. PLANES OF SATELLITES AROUND DISC GALAXIES

Satellite galaxies are spatially distributed in planes around the Milky Way and Andromeda

MW: "Vast Polar Structure" M31: "Great Plane of Andromeda" (Pawlowski+13) Planes of satellites in CenA, M101 group? (Tully+15, Muller+18)

- Planes of satellites as those observed are not frequent in DM-only large-volume cosmological LCDM simulations (Pawlowski+14,Cautun+15)
- Do they form in hydro-simulations of disc galaxies? What are their characteristics and trends? (see Gillet+15, Ahmed+16, Maji+17, Garaldi+18)

A method to identify predominant planar arrangements of satellites in both observational data or simulations: "4-galaxy-normal density plots" Pawlowski+13, Santos-Santos+20a,b

- 1. Fit a plane (Tensor of Inertia; Metz+07) to every possible combination of 4 different satellites out of Ntot
- 2. Draw the density map with the projection of "4-galaxy-normals"; weighted by $\log\left(\frac{a+b}{c}\right)$
- 3. Identify location of high-density peaks
- 4. For each peak: Count satellites contributing to 4-galaxy-normals placed within 15° from peak.
- 5. Order satellites by weighted-counts
- 6. New: Fit plane to group of N_{sat} satellites as ordered by contribution: $N_{sat} = 7,8,9...N_{tot}$

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Identifying predominant planar spatial alignments of satellites Santos-Santos+20a APPLICATION TO MW/M31 DATA

There are two perpendicular planes of satellites in Andromeda, with similar 'qualities' (i.e., number of satellites involved, thickness) _{Santos-Santos+20a}

Planes of satellites around LCDM simulated disc galaxies SATELLITES ARE SPATIALLY ORGANIZED IN PLANES DURING THE ENTIRE EVOLUTION OF THE SYSTEM Santos-Santos+20b

Thin stellar disks
High number of satellite galaxies (~30)
Quiet merger history after virialization

Thinnest plane found at given time including certain fraction of satellites

Planes of satellites around LCDM simulated disc galaxies CO-ORBITING SATELLITES DEFINE TIME-PERSISTENT PLANES Santos et al. In prep

90°

348

485

60°

What is the origin of persistent planes of satellites? Links to the Local cosmic web

Aq-Ca Direction of 1000 mass collapse Co-orbiting satellites Gas Redshift: 1.03 5.7213 Time (Gyr): Local Cosmic Web defines, at high-z, ? 500 the common dynamical properties of kinematically-coherent satellites 250 Z [kpc/h] See also Libeskind+12.14.15 0 Cosmic Web 'sheet' (Edge-on) -250**Overall quiet merger history** allows ? some of these satellites to conserve -500 their original orbital angular -750 momentum \rightarrow persistent plane -1000-500 -250250 500 750 -1000-7501000 0 X [kpc/h]

Plane of co-orbiting satellites coincides with plane of local Cosmic Web at high-redshift, where mass is accumulating at large scales

Conclusions of this thesis:

- Dark matter halo expansion can increase the diversity of rc shapes within a lcdm context. In particular, it allows to recover the largest cores observed and can explain the scatter of the mass discrepancy-acceleration relation.
- The particular IR SED features observed in dwarf galaxies can be explained by the two-component dust model in GRASIL-3D (consisting of dense molecular clouds and diffuse cirrus).
- There is a second plane of satellites in M31 that is similar in thickness to the GPoA and perpendicular to it.
- Satellites around simulated MW-type disc galaxies with quiet merger histories are organized in planar structures. During certain periods of cosmic evolution these are very thin and mostly perpendicular to the galaxy disc.
- Groups of co-orbiting satellites are found around simulated disc galaxies. These define planes of satellites that are persistent in time. Their origin may be linked to the local cosmic web at high redshift.

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