The Large Scale Structure path to high energy astrophysics

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Layout of the Talk

 Nature of the diffuse extragalactic gamma-ray background [EGB] and Dark Matter contribution.
 Detection and study of the Warm Hot Intergalactic Medium [WHIM].

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The nature of the diffuse gamma-ray background.

Observations with the Large Area Telescope on board of the satellite Fermi are shading light on the nature of diffuse EGB.

Along with more standard probes, LSS provides independent constraint on the nature of the astrophysical sources and on the possible contribution and nature of the Dark Matter [DM].

Fermi-LAT EGB

Diffuse γ-ray background. 80% Galactic Foreground + *nearly isotropic* EGB



Energy Spectrum

Diffuse γ-ray background: astrophysical sources



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Still controversial ! . "...point sources, and in particular blazars, explain almost the totality (86⁺¹⁶-14 %) of the E>50 GeV Extragalactic gamma-ray background" Fermi Team 2016radio galaxies dominate the diffuse gamma-ray background, generating 83.3^{+27.4}-10.1% of this emission at E>1 GeVarHooper D., Linden T., Lopez A. 2016

Not quite isotropic ! EGB auto-correlation

$\omega(\vartheta) = \left\langle \delta I(\alpha) \delta I(\alpha + \vartheta) \right\rangle$

EGB auto-correlation



Constant, shot-noise-like angular power. Limited number of unresolved sources. Blazars (35% @ 1GeV, 100 % @ 10 GeV) + mAGN (10% @ 1GeV, 15 % @ 10 GeV)

EGB auto-correlation



Observationally-driven errors, dominated by imperfect removal of the Galactic foreground, can be effectively reduced by **x-correlating** γ-**ray maps with catalogs of objects that trace the same cosmic structures hosting** γ-**ray sources** (Xia+ 2011, Ando+ 2014, Ando 2014).

Cross-correlation with LSS

Fermi-LAT results

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X-correlations EGB Fermi 5-year



X-correlation 2MASS - EGB Fermi 5-year



Let us focus on 2MASS and assume that DM is the only (largely local) EGB source.



Model: DM – LSS cross-correlation (2-point stat)

$$C_{l}^{I,j} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int k^{2} P_{x}(k) [G_{l}^{I}(k)] [G_{l}^{j}(k)] dk$$

To model the x-power and the density along the LOS we use the halo model and consider the effect of sub-halos within their parent halos.

Given the theoretical uncertainties in the halo profile, sub-halo abundance, their profile etc... we consider two extreme scenarios: LOW and HIGH, corresponding to conservative and optimistic scenarios, respectively.

$$\propto \Omega_{DM}^2 \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{2m_x^2} \int \rho^2(z) D(z) j_l[k\chi(z)] dz$$

$$\propto \Omega_{DM} \frac{\Gamma_D}{2m_x}$$

$$\int \frac{dN(z)}{dz} b_j(z) D(z) j_l[k\chi(z)] dz$$

bias of the discrete sources

Redshift distribution of discrete sources

Model: DM only

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Or to look for allowed regions for DM mass and annihilation cross-section.

The plot shows that 3 energy channels are sufficient to constrain DM mass.

This exercise is not too unrealistic since 2MASS is not expected to significantly correlate with standard astrophysical γ-ray sources.



Model: DM only

Similar constraints can be obtained also for decaying dark matter and decaying time.



EGB x-correlation

Model vs. data. X-correlation and tomography



Fermi-LAT results

With this analysis one can estimate the contribution of the various sources to EGB.

<u>The good news</u>: the total EGB intensity constraint is not violated. DM constraints are somewhat improved

<u>The bad news</u>: degeneracy between mAGN and SFG contributions.

Degeneracy can be removed by (*i*) improving mAGN and SFG γ-ray LF models (*ii*) refining tomography (*iii*) better energy binning.



Fermi-LAT results

Ongoing analysis. Fermi Pass-8 for energy binning MPz + WIxSC + BOSS for better z-slicing



Conclusions 1

 X-correlation with LSS is a powerful technique to investigate the nature of EGB and a competing probe for indirect DM searches. The availability of large (10⁷-10⁹ objects) galaxy catalogues probing a large (z=[0-2]) redshift range makes this strategy very promising Detection and study of the WHIM

- A large (30-50%) fraction of baryons in the local Universe is missing from the luminous mass budget
- Models, based on numerical experiments, predict that they preferentially reside in a diffuse, warmhot gaseous (T=10⁵-10⁷ K°) phase associated to mild overdensities in the LSS (e.g. filamentary structures).
- These baryons are still largely undetected..

WHIM and LSS filaments

Hydrodynamical simulations: WHIM traces the filaments of cosmic web. *Observations*: hints of WHIM in filaments seen in X-rays. E.g. Weber+ 2009 and recent XMM-Newton observations of A2744. Excess emission in the 0.5-1.2 KeV band, outside the cluster's virial radius, associated to filaments of size ~ 4 Mpc. Gas temperature [$1-2x10^7$ KeV] marginally consistent with that of the WHIM. These structures are also associated to DM and galaxy overdensities (Eckert+ 2015).



WHIM and LSS filaments

Possible strategy to detect and study he WHIM: (i) 3D galaxy distribution from galaxy surveys to trace filamentary structures (ii) theoretical input from hydrodynamical simulations (iii) estimate detection probability and characterize WHIM properties.

E.g. Nevalainen+ 2015 Galaxy Luminosity vs. WHIM gas density relation in filaments calibrated on simulations

Ingredients.

Hydro simulations: Cui+ 2012, Roncarelli+ 2012

HOD gal. model: Giocoli+ 2010, Zehavi+ 2011

Real dataset: 2dF: Colless+ 2001



WHIM and filaments

Application to line of sight to H2356 passing through Sculptor Wall and Pisces-Cetus in 2dF



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Conclusions 2

- LSS is a good WHIM tracer. Future observational campaigns to study the WHIM *in emission* can effectively target filamentary structures in current and future galaxy redshift surveys (10²-10³ serendipitous detections expected with Athena).