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Ph.D. in Computational Cosmology



# AX-Gadget:

#### a N-Body hydrodynamical code for axion cosmology simulations

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# ΛCDM cosmology



Hubble Ultra-Deep field (NASA)



 $\Lambda CDM$  simulation







Tegmark +04







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## Why Ultra-light Axions?

On the hypothesis that cosmological dark matter is composed of ultra-light bosons

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$$\hat{\psi}(\vec{r},t) = \sqrt{Nm\rho(\vec{r},t)} e^{i\theta(\vec{r},t)}$$

$$\vec{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{\hbar}{m} \vec{\nabla} \ \theta$$

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$$\partial_t \vec{\mathbf{v}} + \left( \vec{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \vec{\nabla} \right) \vec{\mathbf{v}} = \frac{\hbar^2}{2m^2} \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{\nabla^2 \sqrt{\rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \right)$$







#### Cold and Fuzzy Dark Matter

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Cold dark matter (CDM) models predict small-scale structure in excess of observations of the cores and abundance of dwarf galaxies. These problems might be solved, and the virtues of CDM models retained, even without postulating *ad hoc* dark matter particle or field interactions, if the dark matter is composed of ultra-light scalar particles ( $m \sim 10^{-22}$ eV), initially in a (cold) Bose-Einstein condensate, similar to axion dark matter models. The wave properties of the dark matter stabilize gravitational collapse providing halo cores and sharply suppressing small-scale linear power.



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Ultra-light scalar fields, with masses of between  $m = 10^{-33}$  eV and  $m = 10^{-22}$  eV, can affect the growth of structure in the Universe. We identify the different regimes in the evolution of ultra-light scalar fields, how they affect the expansion rate of the universe and how they affect the growth rate of cosmological perturbations. We find a number of interesting effects, discuss how they might arise in realistic scenarios of the early universe and comment on how they might be observed.

Linear simulations Definition on mass range

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#### CONTRASTING GALAXY FORMATION FROM QUANTUM WAVE DARK MATTER, $\psi {\rm DM},$ WITH $\Lambda {\rm CDM},$ USING PLANCK AND HUBBLE DATA

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#### ABSTRACT

The newly established luminosity functions of high-z galaxies at  $4 \leq z \leq 10$  can provide a stringent check on dark matter models that aim to explain the core properties of dwarf galaxies. The cores of dwarf spheroidal galaxies are understood to be too large to be accounted for by free streaming of warm dark matter without overly suppressing the formation of such galaxies. Here we demonstrate with cosmological simulations that wave dark matter,  $\psi$ DM, appropriate for light bosons such as axions, does not suffer this problem, given a boson mass of  $m_{\psi} \geq 1.2 \times 10^{-22}$  eV ( $2\sigma$ ). In this case, the halo mass function is suppressed below  $\sim 10^{10} M_{\odot}$  at a level that is consistent with the high-z luminosity functions, while simultaneously generating the kpc-scale cores in dwarf galaxies arising from the solitonic ground state in  $\psi$ DM. We demonstrate that the reionization history in this scenario is consistent with the Thomson optical depth recently reported by Planck, assuming a reasonable ionizing photon production rate. We predict that the luminosity function should turn over slowly around an intrinsic UV luminosity of  $M_{\rm UV} \gtrsim -16$  at  $z \gtrsim 4$ . We also show that for galaxies magnified >10× in the Hubble Frontier Fields,  $\psi$ DM predicts an order of magnitude fewer detections than cold dark matter at  $z \gtrsim 10$  down to  $M_{\rm UV} \sim -15$ , allowing us to distinguish between these very different interpretations for the observed coldness of dark matter. Dxford, OX1 3RH, UK

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We formulate a smoothed-particle hydrodynamics numerical method, traditionally used for the Euler equations for fluid dynamics in the context of astrophysical simulations, to solve the non-linear Schrödinger equation in the Madelung formulation. The probability density of the wavefunction is discretized into moving particles, whose properties are smoothed by a kernel function. The traditional fluid pressure is replaced by a quantum pressure tensor, for which a novel, robust discretization is found. We demonstrate our numerical method on a variety of numerical test problems involving the simple harmonic oscillator, soliton-soliton collision, Bose-Einstein condensates, collapsing singularities, and dark matter halos governed by the Gross-Pitaevskii-Poisson equation. Our method is conservative, applicable to unbounded domains, and is automatically adaptive in its resolution, making it well suited to study problems with collapsing solutions.



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- All the cool stuff Gadget3 can do are inherited (Modified Gravity, Dark Energy, Baryonic Physics)

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 $V_i \rho_i = M$ 

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$$O_{i} = \sum_{j} m_{j} W_{ij} \frac{O_{j}}{\rho_{j}}$$
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$$\nabla^2 \rho = \frac{1}{\phi} \left[ \nabla^2 (\phi \rho) - \rho \nabla^2 \phi - 2 \, \vec{\nabla} \rho \cdot \vec{\nabla} \phi \right]$$

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In literature  $\phi = \begin{cases} 1\\ \sqrt{\rho}\\ \rho \end{cases}$ 

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#### Zhang et al, arXiv:1611.00892

$$\int f(q) \, d^3 x \rightarrow \sum_j f(q_j) \, V_j$$

 $V_j = M/\rho_j$  is not constant!

In SPH what is constant is:

 $M = \rho_j V_j$ 

$$\vec{\nabla} \mathbf{Q} = \vec{\nabla} \left( \frac{\nabla^2 \sqrt{\rho}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \right)$$



$$\lambda_Q = 2\pi \left(\frac{\lambda_H^2 \,\lambda_m^2}{6 \,\Omega_0}\right)^{1/4} (z+1)^{1/4}$$

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#### axionCAMB – Hlozek +15

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Cosmological particle-in-cell simulations with ultralight axion dark matter

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We study cosmological structure formation with ultralight axion dark matter, or "fuzzy dark matter" (FDM), using a particle-mesh scheme to account for the quantum pressure arising in the Madelung formulation of the Schrödinger-Poisson equations. Subpercent-level energy conservation and correct linear behavior are demonstrated. Whereas the code gives rise to the same core-halo profiles as direct simulations of the Schrödinger equation, it does not reproduce the detailed interference patterns. In cosmological simulations with FDM initial conditions, we find a maximum relative difference of O(10%) in the power spectrum near the quantum Jeans length compared to using a standard N-body code with identical initial conditions. This shows that the effect of quantum pressure during nonlinear structure formation cannot be neglected for precision constraints on a dark matter component consisting of ultralight axions.

> Veltmaat +16 Particle – Mesh scheme code



Schive+16

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#### • Strategy 1:

- Dynamics: QP
- Initial Conditions: CDM
- Strategy 2:
  - Dynamics: NO QP
  - Initial Conditions: FDM
- Strategy 3:
  - Dynamics: QP
  - Initial Conditions: FDM



















#### Lyman-Alpha Forest



SDSS III (BOSS) - Lyman-alpha team
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Attempt to constrain on a linear level  $m_{\chi}$  with the 1D power spectrum



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Full hydrodynamic simulation with Cooling and Star Formation mechanisms (Nori M., Murgia R., Baldi M., Viel M. in prep)



#### Kobayashi +17

## Dark Matter



Gas



Stars



## Conclusions

AX-Gadget (Nori M., Baldi M., in prep.) module implemented through **SPH** for FDM models

> QP is **relevant** in FDM models, at least for scales under ~1 *Mpc*

Good agreement with predictions from full wave-solvers in **suppressing small scales**, Lyman-Alpha constraint soon! (Nori M., Murgia R., Baldi M., Viel M., in prep.)

**Better performances** 

One loop over N more wrt hydro-simulations with Gadget3

Thank you

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 $m_{ax}$ 

### Hlozek et al. Phys.Rev. D91 (2015) no.10, 103512 arXiv:1410.2896



 $m_{ax}$ 

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