





Milgromian dynamics (MOND): Theoretical motivations & cosmological context

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Galaxies

Visible mass X Newtonian Gravity = Acceleration

200 The observed acceleration is discrepant with this prediction V (km 100 Dark 22 matter? O 15 10 Living Reviews in R (kpc) Relativity, 15, 10 (2012) MOND theory & cosmology 2

No direct evidence



Newton gravity

The circular rotation speed around a mass is given by

$$g = \frac{GM}{r^2} = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

- If v ≈ c, relativity becomes important and the theory fails (e.g. near black holes)
- What about quantum mechanics?

The classical approximation

- Arbitrarily high accuracy in position and velocity measurements impossible
- Classical theories assume this is possible



 Curvature (i.e. acceleration) so small in second panel that ignoring fluctuations is questionable

Quantum effects

 Curvature uncertain and not constant, like gravitational waves: vacuum carries energy



Quantum spacetime

- Empty space has small but non-zero minimum energy
- On large scales, this causes the Universe to accelerate apart – dark energy (measurable)
- Use dark energy density to estimate when quantum effects overwhelm classical (mean) gravitational field

(e.g. Milgrom 1999, Pazy 2013, Verlinde 2016, Smolin 2017, Bagchi & Fring 2019)

$$\frac{g^2}{8 \pi G} = \rho_{vac} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad g = 9 \times 10^{-10} \, m/s^2$$



What if g < 9e-10 m/s²?

- Quantum gravity effects should become important (ignoring 'roughness' is a bad idea)
- Classical theories like General Relativity (leading to Newtonian dynamics) can't really be expected to work any more
 - ⇒ Newtonian gravity likely fails, with the discrepancy larger at smaller accelerations
 - ⇒ Acceleration (energy density)-dependent discrepancy with classical theory may be signature of quantum effects

Constraints from galaxies



Local Group satellite planes

MW satellite galaxies lie within a thin plane (<u>Pawlowski & Kroupa 2013, 2020</u>). Analogous situation for M31 (<u>Ibata+ 2013</u>) Galaxies observed forming within tidal tails (<u>Mirabel+ 1992</u>)

Satellites were formed

(Pawlowski+ 2014, and

references therein)

Should only contain

(Wetzstein+ 2007)

Alternatives not very likely

baryons as DM can't cool

and form dense tidal tails

from tidal debris.



MW and M31 satellite galaxies have high internal velocity dispersions, requiring strong self-gravity (McGaugh & Wolf, 2010; McGaugh & Milgrom 2013)

Internal dynamics can't be explained by Newtonian gravity (<u>Kroupa, 2015</u>)



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Milgromian dynamics (MOND)

- Newton gravity/GR developed using Solar System constraints
- Developed by M. Milgrom (1983) to address rotation curves without cold dark matter by going beyond Newton
- Lagrangian formalism
 - Milgrom 1983
- Non-linear generalization of the Poisson eqn.: $\nabla \cdot g = \nabla \cdot (v(\frac{g_N}{q})g_N), f \Leftrightarrow v$
 - external field effect (EFE, Milgrom 1986)
 - breaks strong equivalence principle (as observed by Chae+ 2020)
- Milgrom's constant (from RAR): $a_0 = 1.2 \times 10^{-10} m/s^2$
- Asymptotic limits in spherical symmetry:

$$g_N \ll a_0$$
: $g = \sqrt{a_0 g_N}$, $g_N \gg a_0$: $g = g_N$

Extremize action

 $L = L_{K} - L_{P} = \rho(\frac{1}{2}v^{2} - \Phi) - \frac{1}{8\pi G}(2g \cdot g_{N} - a_{0}^{2}f[g_{N}])$

 Relativistic MOND theory where gravitational waves travel at c (Skordis & Zlosnik 2019)

Dark matter can fit anything

- Unwary astronomers were given a rotation curve & image and asked to fit the curve
- Catch: the image was of the wrong galaxy...

MOND theory & cosmology

Cosmological MOND framework (vHDM): overview

- Proposed by Angus 2009 (MNRAS, 394, 527)
- Cold dark matter (CDM) replaced by fast collisionless matter (FCM)
 - e.g. 11 eV/c² sterile neutrinos (e.g. Angus+2007)
 - same overall mass-energy budget as in ΛCDM
- Standard background cosmology a(t)
 - \rightarrow Nucleosynthesis (BBN)
 - e.g. Skordis 2006 (Phys. Rev. D, 74, 103513)
- MOND is applied only to perturbations
 - e.g. Nusser 2002, Llinares+ 2008, Angus+ 2013, Katz+ 2013, Candlish 2016
- External field effect from surrounding structures
 - consequence of the non-linearity of MOND (e.g. Banik+ 2018, ArXiv1808.10545)

vHDM framework: Impact on CMB

Standard expansion history

 \rightarrow same angular diameter distance to CMB

- MOND is sub-dominant at time of recombination (z = 1100) because $g \approx 20 a_0$
- Free streaming effects negligible if $m_v > 10 \text{ eV/c}^2$

We impose a prior on the physical thermal mass, $m_{\text{sterile}}^{\text{thermal}} < 10 \text{ eV}$, when generating parameter chains, to exclude regions of parameter space in which the particles are so massive that their effect on the CMB spectra is identical to that of cold dark matter.

Planck Collaboration XIII (2016), section 6.4.3

MOND effects become important only at z < 50

Angus & Diaferio (2011)

Terrestrial evidence for sterile neutrinos

- Sterile neutrinos proposed to explain ordinary neutrino oscillations & their nonzero rest mass (seesaw mechanism)
- Hints of sterile neutrino found by MiniBooNE (Aguilar-Arevalo et al. 2018, Phys. Rev. Lett. 121, 221801)
- Must avoid prior limit that $m_v < 10 \text{ eV/c}^2$ as terrestrial experiments are so far quite compatible with slightly larger mass

Archidiacono et al. 2020 (ArXiv 2006.12885)

Astronomical evidence for fast collisionless matter

- Offset between X-ray and weak lensing peaks
- g > a₀: MOND effects small
 → Collisionless matter required
- Tremaine-Gunn limit: m_v>2 eV/c² (Angus+ 2007, ApJ, 654, L13)
- Current constraints imply collisionless particle mass >10 eV/c² (strongest limits from CMB)

Bullet Cluster, credits: NASA/CXC/M. Weiss

vHDM framework can explain:

- Expansion history a(t) → BBN
- CMB
- Bullet Cluster and 30 virialized clusters (Angus+ 2010, MNRAS, 402, 395) •
- Galaxy rotation curves
 - unaffected by neutrinos if $m_{u} < 100 \text{ eV/c}^2$ (Angus+ 2010)
- vHDM solves problems with ACDM on galaxy scales
 - plane of satellites with high internal σ around MW (Pawlowski & Kroupa 2020), M31 (Ibata+ 2013, Sohn+ 2020), Centaurus A (Müller+ 2018)
 - ACDM explanations rejected (Pawlowski+ 2014, MNRAS, 442, 2362)
 - other small scale failures (e.g. Kormendy 2010, Peebles & Nusser 2010, Kroupa 2015, Algorry + 2017
- Large-scale structure?

The KBC void & Hubble tension in standard cosmology & Milgromian dynamics

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The Keenan-Barger-Cowie (KBC) void

- A local underdensity is evident across the entire electromagnetic spectrum, ranging from radio to X-ray
 - Optical: Maddox+1990, Zucca+1997
 - Radio: Rubart & Schwarz 2013, Rubart, Bacon & Schwarz 2014, Secrest+ 2020
 - X-ray: Böhringer+2015, Böhringer, Chan, Collins 2020
- NIR: Keenan, Barger, Cowie 2013, ApJ, 775, 62
 - 2M++ galaxy catalog with spectroscopic redshift
 - void evident in number counts (luminosity function)
 - density about 0.5x cosmic mean between 40 and 300 Mpc over 90% of the sky

The KBC void in ACDM

• Millennium (MXXL) simulation (Angulo+ 2012)

- Λ CDM simulation consistent with WMAP-7 parameters
- biggest suitable simulation (box size of 4.1 Gpc)
- Stellar masses assigned semi-analytically
- Mimic observations (2M++ survey)
 - select subhaloes with $M_* > 1e10 M_{\odot}/h$ at z = 0
 - calculate luminosity density contrasts over (40 300) Mpc for 1e6 vantage points

Source: Millennium simulation

⇒ Expected rms density fluctuations for scale-invariant spectrum: 0.032 Observed density fluctuation: 0.46±0.06

The KBC void and Hubble tension in ACDM

Spheres with an inner radius of 40 Mpc 1.0and an outer radius of 300 Mpc Planck Collaboration VI (2020) 10Riess et al. (2019) & Wong et al. (2020) KBC void 0.8Allowance made Gaussian fit 8 ACDM for redshift space 0.6distortion (RSD): Frequency $\tilde{\delta}$ 6 Higher local H 0.424 3σ 4σ 0.2 5σ 2 0.0-0.250.000.250.500.751.00-0.501.00 1.05 1.10 1.15 $H_0^{\rm local}/H_0^{\rm global}$

The KBC void falsifies Λ CDM at 6.04σ

Combined, the KBC void + Hubble tension falsify Λ CDM at 7.09 σ

Large scale failure of ACDM

- The KBC void is physically impossible in a ΛCDM universe
 It is impossible to get from the z = 1100 (CMB) to the z < 0.2 (observed nearby Universe) boundary conditions
 - Problem arises on 300 Mpc scale, so independent of galaxy-scale baryonic physics

⇒ To get from the CMB (z = 1100) to the z = 0 observations, need effectively stronger gravity to grow structures faster

Applying MOND to KBC void

Model assumptions

- Semi-analytical model starting from z = 9
- Initial Maxwell-Boltzmann underdensity profile
 - amplitude consistent with CMB
- Standard expansion history & overall mass budget (CDM → sterile neutrinos)
- MOND applied only to density perturbations

e.g. Nusser 2002, Llinares+ 2008, Angus+ 2013, Katz+ 2013, Candlish 2016

- External field effect from large scale structure (Milgrom 1986)
 - gravity from beyond the void
 - \Rightarrow void as a whole moves

Growth of structure

300 cMpc sphere

Local Hubble diagram

- Effects of a local void on cosmological parameters:
 - local expansion rate is increased: $H_0^{local} \equiv \frac{\dot{a}}{a}(today)$
 - apparent expansion rate appears to accelerate at late times: (extra curvature \overline{q}_0 of Hubble diagram) $\overline{q}_0^{local} \equiv \frac{\ddot{a} a}{c^2} (today)$ \overline{q}_0
- Camarena & Marra 2020a,b jointly derived H_0 and \overline{q}_0 from SNe at redshifts 0.023 0.15
 - \overline{q}_0 is 2x standard value of 0.55

 \rightarrow suggestive of a local void

- high local \overline{q}_{0} missed in Kenworthy+ 2019 (\overline{q}_{0} fixed at 0.55)
- hint of dipole in Hubble diagram (Colin+ 2019, Migkas+ 2020)

High local H_o and \overline{q}_0 are explained naturally in MOND by outflow from a KBC-like void

Peculiar velocity field

- Only half of the void rms size is shown
- The entire void is moving due to gravity from beyond the void
- Partial cancellation between void motion and internal velocities
- Large region with peculiar velocity $v_{tot} < v_{LG} = 627 \text{ km/s} (\approx 0.015 \text{ a}_0)$
 - Local Group (LG) is off-centered
 - LG not at a special position
- High peculiar velocities towards void edge consistent with kinematic Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect (Hoscheit & Barger 2018, Ding et al. 2020)

Comparison with ACDM & **vHDM**

ACDM model

| Observational constraints | Level of tension | |
|---|------------------|--|
| KBC void (40 – 300 Mpc, 90% of sky) | 6.04σ | |
| H ₀ (Riess+ 2019 & Wong+ 2020) | 5.3σ | |

Parameters fixed by CMB

Combined tension: 7.09σ

Recent worsening of H_0 tension: Early: Aiola+ 2020 (ACT) Late: Pesce+ 2020 (Megamasers)

vHDM model

| Observational constraints | Level of tension |
|--|---------------------|
| KBC void (40 – 300 Mpc) | 0.99σ |
| KBC void (600 – 800 Mpc) | 0.97σ |
| $H_{_0}$ and $\overline{q}_{_0}$ from SNe data | 0.20σ |
| H_0 from 7 strong lens time-delays | 2.05σ |
| Motion of the LG | 2.34σ |

3 free parameters (void size & strength, g_{ext}) 12 data points

Combined tension: 2.53 σ

Outlook: Stellar wide binary (WB) test

- WBs with separation r > 3 kAU (like Proxima Centauri)
- Orbital accelerations < a₀ (MOND regime)
 - MOND boosts orbital velocities by 20% in Solar neighbourhood
- Accurate observations of about 500 WBs necessary (Banik & Zhao 2018)
 - e.g. Gaia data release 3, Theia mission
- Statistical treatment of undetected close companions to WBs necessary
 - WBs with r < 3 kAU should be similar to WBs with r > 3 kAU in Newton
- MOND without EFE is ruled out by the WB test
 - Pittordis & Sutherland 2019
 - other tests also rule out MOND without EFE (e.g. Chae+ 2020)

Summary & Conclusions (MNRAS, 499, 2845):

+ KBC void falsifies ΛCDM at 6.04σ

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- failures of ACDM model cover all scales from dwarf galaxies (e.g. disk of satellites, Pawlowski+ 2014) to Gpc scales (this work, see also Kroupa et al. 2010, Kroupa 2012, 2015, Sellwood+ 2019, Asencio+, MNRAS, 2021)
- matter distribution on a Gpc scale requires enhanced growth of structure

e.g. Milgromian gravitation (MOND) would also explain galaxy dynamics (RAR), M33 disk stability (Banik+, ApJ, 2021)

• MOND cosmology with fast collisionless matter (e.g. 11eV/c² sterile neutrinos, Angus 2009)

- standard expansion history, BBN, CMB anisotropies, and Bullet Cluster + 30 virialized clusters
- structure growth enhanced and self-regulated by external fields from surrounding structures
- MOND describes the local observations at 2.53σ
 - enhanced growth of structure allows the formation of KBC-like voids
 - outflow from large void explains high local H $_{
 m o}$ and $\overline{q}_{
 m o}$
 - common objections to void scenario addressed in Section 5.3 of our paper
 - blogs describing paper: <u>tritonstation.com</u> & <u>darkmattercrisis.wordpress.com</u>

Appendix

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KBC (2013): luminosity function

- Shape of luminosity function clearly determined based on 57-75% of luminosity function
- Normalization systematically lower at low z
- Density contrast similar between magnitude bins

El Gordo Galaxy Cluster Interaction Asencio, Banik, Kroupa 2021 (DOI: 10.1093/mnras/staa3441)

- Mass-redshift distribution of fastinteracting clusters along past lightcone in ∧CDM simulation
- + El Gordo inconsistent at 6.16σ

Outlook

- Enable standard RAMSES hydrodynamics and cosmology to study galaxy formation with Phantom of RAMSES (PoR MOND patch, Lüghausen+ 2015)
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- Self-consistent cosmological MOND simulation on much larger scales
 - study formation of voids in a large simulation box
 - What does a typical KBC-like void profile look like?
 - cosmic variance

Origin of galaxies in a MOND cosmology

Wittenburg+ (in prep.)

Overview: Keenan-Barger-Cowie void and H_o tension

1a) The observed KBC void falsifies ΛCDM at 6.04σ

1b) The observed KBC void + Hubble tension falsify ΛCDM at 7.09\sigma

2) Neither problem occurs in MOND

Detection of external field effect (EFE)

- Chae+2020 (ApJ, 904, 51)
- No EFE expected because galaxies isolated
- No EFE required in rotation curve fits (|ΔBIC| < 10)

MCMC with EFE

MCMC without EFE

lowest g_{env} cases

Detection of external field effect (EFE)

- Chae+2020 (ApJ, 904, 51)
- Strong EFE expected based on environment
- "Very strong" evidence for EFE in rotation curves (ΔBIC >> 10)
- Inferred g_{ext} from rotation curve agrees with prior estimates

Colgáin (2019)

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Results: Gaussianity test of the selected density fluctuations in the MXXL simulation

Results: Peculiar velocities

Results: H_o from strong lensed systems

- Empirically, light deflection in strong lenses works similar to General Relativity for the same non-relativistic g (Collett+ 2018)
- Relativistic MOND theories exist where gravitational waves travel at the speed of light (Skordis & Złośnik 2019)
- Decreasing inferred H_0 with lens redshift (Wong+2020) evident at 1.9σ

 \Rightarrow curvature in Hubble diagram (like with SNe)

- Consistent with MOND model (2.05σ), but suggestive of a larger void than KBC data

vHDM framework: apparent expansion history

Results:

Results:

Results:

| Maxwell-Boltzmann density profile, $g_{\text{ext}} = 0.055 a_0$, $r_{\text{void}} = 228.2 \text{ cMpc}$, $\alpha_{\text{void}} = 3.76 \times 10^{-5}$, $v_{\text{void}} = 1586 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, $r_{\text{void}}^{\text{rms}} = 528.7 \text{ Mpc}$, $n_{\text{EFE}} = 0$ | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|---|--|--|
| Parameter Observations MOND model χ^2 Degrees of freedom | $H_0^{\text{local}} [\text{km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}]$ 75.35 ± 1.68 76.15 0.34 2 | $\overline{q}_0^{\text{local}}$ 1.08 ± 0.29 1.07 | $H_0^{\text{lensing}} [\text{km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}]$ $$ See Figure 7 14.66 7 | v _{LG} [km s ⁻¹] 627 See Figure 8 | δ_{in} 0.254 ± 0.083 0.172 0.99 1 | $\delta_{out} \\ -0.052 \pm 0.105 \\ 0.050 \\ 0.94 \\ 1$ | | |
| χ (1D Gaussian equivalent) | 0.20 | | 2.05 | 2.34 | 0.99 | 0.97 | | |
| Gaussian density profile, $g_{\text{ext}} = 0.070 a_0$, $r_{\text{void}} = 1030.0 \text{ cMpc}$, $\alpha_{\text{void}} = 3.76 \times 10^{-5}$, $v_{\text{void}} = 2018 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, $r_{\text{void}}^{\text{rms}} = 744.7 \text{ Mpc}$, $n_{\text{EFE}} = 0$ | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter Observations MOND model χ^2 Degrees of freedom χ (1D Gaussian equivalent) | $H_0^{\text{local}} [\text{km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}]$ 75.35 ± 1.68 77.24 1.79 2 0.83 | $\overline{q}_{0}^{\text{local}}$ 1.08 ± 0.29 1.43 | $H_0^{\text{lensing}} [\text{km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}]$ 12.74 7 1.76 | <i>v</i> _{LG} [km s ⁻¹] 627 2.35 | δ_{in} 0.274 ± 0.081 0.155 2.19 1 1.48 | $\delta_{out} -0.085 \pm 0.108$ 0.078 2.26 1 1.50 | | |
| Exponential density profile, $g_{\text{ext}} = 0.080 a_0$, $r_{\text{void}} = 1030.0 \text{ cMpc}$, $\alpha_{\text{void}} = 7.56 \times 10^{-5}$, $v_{\text{void}} = 2307 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, $r_{\text{void}}^{\text{rms}} = 730.4 \text{ Mpc}$, $n_{\text{EFE}} = 0$ | | | | | | | | |
| Parameter Observations MOND model χ^2 Degrees of freedom | $H_0^{\text{local}} [\text{km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}]$ 75.35 ± 1.68 77.25 1.98 2 | $\overline{q}_0^{\text{local}}$ 1.08 ± 0.29 1.46 | $H_0^{\text{lensing}} [\text{km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}]$ 13.19 7 | v _{LG} [km s ⁻¹] 627 | δ_{in} 0.276 ± 0.080 0.158 2.17 | δ_{out} -0.078 ± 0.108 0.073 1.97 | | |

1.83

2.47

1.47

1.40

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0.89

 χ (1D Gaussian equivalent)

Results

Results: Hubble field effect

Results: Time-dependent external field effect

Figure 14. Marginalized posterior distribution of the indicated model parameters based on 9×10^6 MOND models for a Maxwell-Boltzmann (left), Gaussian (middle), and exponential (right) initial profile. The red dashed, black solid, and black dashed lines mark the 1σ , 2σ , and 3σ confidence levels, respectively. A stronger EFE in the past ($n_{\rm EFE} < 0$) requires a stronger initial void strength at z = 9. The red dots mark the best-fitting models: $g_{\rm ext} = 0.030 a_0$, $r_{\rm void} = 218.3 \,\mathrm{cMpc}$, $\alpha_{\rm void} = 7.56 \times 10^{-4}$, $n_{\rm EFE} = -2$ (Maxwell-Boltzmann profile, left-hand panel); $g_{\rm ext} = 0.065 a_0$, $r_{\rm void} = 1030.0 \,\mathrm{cMpc}$, $\alpha_{\rm void} = 1.07 \times 10^{-4}$, $n_{\rm EFE} = -0.5$ (Gaussian profile, middle panel); and $g_{\rm ext} = 0.070 a_0$, $r_{\rm void} = 1030.0 \,\mathrm{cMpc}$, $\alpha_{\rm void} = 1.75 \times 10^{-4}$, $n_{\rm EFE} = -0.5$ (exponential profile, right-hand panel).

Results: Time-dependent external field effect

