Simulations, Clusters of Galaxies, and Cosmology: I. Introduction and Large-scale Structure Simulations

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observation



STRING THEORY SUMMARIZED: I JUST HAD AN AWESOME IDEA. SUPPOSE ALL MATTER AND ENERGY IS MADE OF TINY, VIBRATING "STRINGS." OKAY. WHAT WOULD THAT IMPLY? 1 DUNNO. theory

The first three paradigms of scientific research

computation



The fourth paradigm?

DATA-driven scientific discovery

Phenomenology

The FOURTH PARADIGM

DATA-INTENSIVE SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERY

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outline:

- * cosmic structure as a (complex!) initial-value problem
- * Large-scale Structure (LSS) Simulations
 - methodologies, classes of problems
 - dark matter (DM) evolution: methods+results

Tomorrow:

- DM + baryons: methods, results and challenges
- galaxy formation: the never-ending story
- * Cluster physics and phenomenology
- * Cosmological studies with clusters of galaxies











what are clusters of galaxies?

* terminus of clustering hierarchy => largest, non-linear structures
easily visible we can find all the biggest ones now

* multi-component - DM: hot gas: galaxies+stars :: ~100: 10: 1
 many observational channels radio/mm - IR/optical - X-ray

* quasi-equilibrium (`frustrated') dynamical systems

~one-parameter family tight mass-observable scalings

LSS Simulations



* galaxies and clusters of galaxies are weak-field structures in the expanding FRW metric,

 $v^2/c^2 << 1$

=> a Newtonian description of the gravitational potential is accurate to model the dynamics of subhorizon LSS formation.

LSS simulations use Newtonian potential of perturbations in an expanding FRW metric.



large-scale structure simulations: methodologies

- * DM evolution using collisionless N-body simulations (single fluid)
 - assumes DM is weakly interacting massive particle (WIMP)
 - initial density fluctuations assumed to be Gaussian random field with power spectrum, P(k), calculable from linear theory
 - growing mode from linear perturbation theory sets initial conditions
 - `particles' represent coarse-grained phase space kinematics
 - `softening' of pair-wise force required to regularize dynamics
 - individual timesteps improve performance
 - Layzer-Irving equation benchmarks energy conservation (+ p,L cons.)
- * coupled N-body + gas dynamics simulations (multiple fluids)
 - on galactic and larger scales, baryons trace DM at high-z
 - baryons are collisional, so intersecting streams generate shocks
 - shocks generate thermal energy and entropy
 - radiation field can produce cooling or heating in gas
 - star formation prescriptions are empirically motivated

large-scale structure simulations: overview of algorithmic evolution

1960's+70's - direct (NxN) force summation studies of galaxy encounters and stellar clusters

1980's - particle-mesh (FFT's) and Tree algorithms for large-scale gravity studies of `cosmic web' topology from initial random noise field

1990's - parallelization on Beowulf clusters, special purpose chips (GRAPE) detailed studies of clustering statistics, cosmological dependence
 first multi-fluid codes to model coupled dark matter and baryons initial studies of galaxy formation

2000's - massive parallelization on large-scale supercomputers toward precision calibrations of large-scale structure statistics

- multi-fluid codes with approx. radiation transfer, MHD initial studies of stellar feedback effects, high-rez galaxy formation

Supercomputing Ecosystem (2005)

courtesy Horst Simon (LBL)

Commercial Off The Shelf technology (COTS)



"Clusters"

12 years of legacy MPI applications base From my presentation at ISC 2005



Traditional Sources of Performance Improvement are Flat-Lining (2004)

- New Constraints
 - 15 years of exponential clock rate growth has ended
- Moore's Law reinterpreted:
 - How do we use all of those transistors to keep performance increasing at historical rates?
 - Industry Response: #cores per chip doubles every 18 months instead of clock frequency!

Figure courtesy of Kunle Olukotun, Lance Hammond, Herb Sutter, and Burton Smith

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Performance Projection

courtesy Horst Simon (LBL)



Performance Projection

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ISC'08, Dresden



z = 48.4

T = 0.05 Gyr





collisionless N-body: applications to dark matter evolution

- \ast single halo simulations to study
 - substructure (sub^N-halos)
 - direct dark matter detection signatures
 - faint galaxy luminosity function
 - + ...
- * cosmological volumes to study
 - halo space density (aka, *mass function*)
 - halo clustering (aka, **bias**)
 - + ...
- * large ensemble of runs to study
 - precise evolution of non-linear power spectrum, P(k)
 - LANL+Argonne emulation campaign (Heitmann, Habib+)
 - covariance of LSS signatures (lensing, clustering, +)

cosmological N-body systems

* model triply-periodic cube in comoving frame (infinite volume of cubic replications) Efstathiou et al 1985 Bertschinger 1998 Springel et al 2001 Springel 2005

* `peculiar' (non-Hubble) particle equation of motion

Dark matter is represented in cosmological simulations by particles sampling the phase space distribution. Particles are evolved forward in time using Newton's laws written in comoving coordinates (Peebles 1980):

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = \frac{1}{a}\vec{v}, \quad \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} + H\vec{v} = \vec{g}, \quad \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{g} = -4\pi Ga[\rho(\vec{x},t) - \bar{\rho}(t)]. \tag{1}$$

Here a(t) is the cosmic expansion factor (related to redshift z by $a^{-1} = 1 + z$), $H = d \ln a/dt$ is the Hubble parameter, \vec{v} is the peculiar velocity, ρ is the mass density, $\bar{\rho}$ is the spatial mean density, and $\vec{\nabla} = \partial/\partial \vec{x}$ is the gradient in comoving coordinates. Note that the first pair of relationships in Equation 1 is to be integrated for every dark matter particle by using the gravity field produced by all matter (dark and baryonic) contributing to ρ . Bertschinger 1998

cosmological N-body systems: various methods to compute acceleration

Bertschinger 1998

TREE: The hierarchical tree algorithm (Appel 1985, Barnes & Hut 1986) divides space recursively into a hierarchy of cells, each containing one or more particles. When computing the gravitational acceleration of a particle, a cell of size *s* a distance *d* from that particle is treated as one pseudoparticle (located at the center of mass of the cell) if the cell satisfies a critical *non-opening condition*, $s/d < \theta$. Otherwise, the cell is `opened' and to the a higher level in the hierarchy and the condition tested again. Computation is thus saved by replacing the set of particles by a low-order multipole expansion due to the distribution of mass in the cell.

PARTICLE-MESH: The particle-mesh (PM) method is based on representing the gravitational potential on a Cartesian grid (with a total of N_g grid points), used in solving Poisson's equation on this grid. The development of the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) algorithm (Cooley & Tukey 1965) made possible a fast Poisson solver requiring $O(N_g \log N_g)$ operations (Miller & Prendergast 1968, Hohl & Hockney 1969, Miller 1970).

The PM algorithm has three basic steps:

1) The particles are `assigned' to nearby grid points to create a density field on the grid. This is then FFT'ed to create a Fourier representation of the density field.

2) Poisson's equation is solved in Fourier space.

$$\hat{\phi}(\vec{k},t) = -4\pi G a^2 \frac{\hat{\rho}(\vec{k},t)}{k^2}.$$

3) The gravity field (or the potential, which is then differenced to give the gravity field) is determined on the grid, and interpolated back to determine particle acceleration.

cosmological N-body systems: various methods (cont'd)

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Bertschinger 1998
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PP-PM (P3M): This hybrid algorithm, first developed for plasma physics by Hockney et al (1974), was applied in cosmology by Efstathiou & Eastwood (1981). It is described in detail by Hockney & Eastwood (1988) and Efstathiou et al (1985), and it was used extensively by the latter authors in a series of articles beginning with Davis et al (1985). The P3M method readily achieves high accuracy forces through the combination of meshbased and direct summation forces. The mesh may be regarded as simply a convenience for providing periodic boundary conditions and removing much of the burden of computation from the direct pair summation.

The short-range calculation computes the difference between Newtonian gravity and the grid force, stored as a look-up table as a function of r, within a sphere of radius ~3 grid cells.



TREE-PM: Similar to P3M, but the short-range force is computed by a tree algorithm rather than direct particle summation. The **gadget** code, developed by Volker Springel and colleagues, is a popular TREE-PM that represents state-of-the-art in N-body cosmological methods.

http://www.mpa-garching.mpg.de/gadget/

cosmological N-body systems: evolving the system

Efstathiou et al 1985

* time evolution is typically 2nd-order accurate (e.g., leapfrog)

In comoving coordinates, Newton's equations of motion are (see, e.g., Peebles 1980, § 7),

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{v}}_i + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\,\boldsymbol{v}_i = -a^{-3}\sum_{i\neq j}\frac{Gm_j\boldsymbol{x}_{ij}}{|\boldsymbol{x}_{ij}|^3} = a^{-3}F_i/m_i,\qquad(9)$$

where m_i is the mass of the *i*th particle, dots denote differentiation with respect to time, and $v = \dot{x}$. To integrate equation (9) numerically, it is convenient to transform to a new time variable $p = a^{\alpha}$. Equation (9) then becomes

$$\frac{d\boldsymbol{u}_i}{dp} + 2A(p)\,\boldsymbol{u}_i = B(p)\,\boldsymbol{F}_i/\boldsymbol{m}_i,\qquad(10a)$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \frac{d\boldsymbol{x}}{d\boldsymbol{p}}, \quad \boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{p}) = \frac{\left(1 + \alpha + \ddot{a}\boldsymbol{a}/\dot{a}^2\right)}{2\alpha a^{\alpha}}, \quad \boldsymbol{B}(\boldsymbol{p}) = \frac{1}{\alpha^2 \dot{a}^2 a^{2\alpha+1}}.$$

In the N-body codes described here, the positions are specified at step n and the velocities are specified at step n-1/2. The forces on the particles are computed using the methods described in § II, and the positions and velocities of the *i*th particle are incremented according to the time-centered leapfrog scheme:

$$\boldsymbol{u}_{n+1/2} = \boldsymbol{u}_{n-1/2} \frac{(1 - A_n \,\Delta p)}{(1 + A_n \,\Delta p)} + \frac{B_n F_n \,\Delta p}{(1 + A_n \,\Delta p) \,m_i}, \quad (11a)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n + u_{n+1/2} \Delta p$$
, (11b)

where A_n and B_n are the values of A and B at step n and Δp is the time step. With this integration scheme, the errors in both positions and velocities are of order $(\Delta p)^3$ per time step.

* <u>Layzer-Irvine equation</u> for energy conservation (~0.5% typical accuracy)

$$\frac{d(a^4T)}{dt} + a\frac{dU}{dt} = 0,$$

where

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} m_i v_i^2, \quad U = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i} m_i \phi_i,$$

Written in integral forms, where *C* and *C*' are constants

$$a^4T + aU - \int U da = C,$$

 $a^3T + U + \int a^2Tda = C',$

* Zel'dovich approximation (1st order linear PT):

A convenient and efficient method for setting up initial conditions with any desired power spectrum can be derived from Zel'dovich's (1970) formulation of the linear evolution of a general distribution of fluctuations

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = \mathbf{q} - b(t)\psi(\mathbf{q}), \qquad (19)$$

where x is the comoving Eulerian coordinate of a particle, q is the Lagrangian coordinate denoting its initial position, b(t) is the growth factor of linear fluctuations, and ψ describes the spatial structure of the density fluctuations. Substituting this relation into the equations of motion (eq. [9]), we can express ψ in terms of the force field at time t,

$$\psi(\boldsymbol{q}) = -\frac{\boldsymbol{F}(\boldsymbol{q},t)}{ma^2(a\ddot{\boldsymbol{b}}+2\dot{\boldsymbol{b}}\dot{\boldsymbol{a}})}.$$
 (20)

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = -\dot{b}\boldsymbol{\psi}(\boldsymbol{q}). \tag{21}$$

Efstathiou et al 1985

 32^3 particles! (a) 32^3 particles! (a) -2 -3 -3 -4 -5 -6 0.0 0.5 $\log k$ 1.5

initial conditions: quick method

initial conditions: next order to suppress non-growing mode transients

* 2LPT (2nd-order linear PT):

The equations of motion for the evolution of dark matter can be written in a compact way by introducing the two-component 'vector'

$$\Psi_a(\mathbf{k},\eta) \equiv (\delta(\mathbf{k},\eta), \ -\theta(\mathbf{k},\eta)/\mathcal{H}), \tag{1}$$

where the index a = 1, 2 selects the density or velocity components, with $\delta(\mathbf{k})$ being the Fourier transform of the density contrast $\delta(\mathbf{x}, \tau) = \rho(\mathbf{x})/\bar{\rho} - 1$ and similarly for the peculiar velocity divergence $\theta \equiv \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$. $\mathcal{H} \equiv d \ln a/d\tau$ is the conformal expansion rate with $a(\tau)$ being the cosmological scale factor and τ being the conformal time. The time variable η is defined from the scale factor by

$$\eta \equiv \ln a(\tau),\tag{2}$$

$$\Psi_{a}(\boldsymbol{k},\eta) = g_{ab}(\eta) \phi_{b}(\boldsymbol{k}) + \int_{0}^{\eta} d\eta' g_{ab}(\eta - \eta')$$
$$\times \gamma_{bcd}^{(s)}(\boldsymbol{k},\boldsymbol{k}_{1},\boldsymbol{k}_{2}) \Psi_{c}(\boldsymbol{k}_{1},\eta') \Psi_{d}(\boldsymbol{k}_{2},\eta'),$$
(7)

$$g_{ab}(\eta) = \frac{e^{\eta}}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2\\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{e^{-3\eta/2}}{5} \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2\\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$
 (9)

$$\gamma_{121}^{(s)}(\boldsymbol{k}, \boldsymbol{k}_1, \boldsymbol{k}_2) = \delta_{\rm D}(\boldsymbol{k} - \boldsymbol{k}_1 - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \, \frac{(\boldsymbol{k}_1 + \boldsymbol{k}_2) \cdot \boldsymbol{k}_1}{2k_1^2}, \tag{5}$$

$$\gamma_{222}^{(s)}(\boldsymbol{k}, \boldsymbol{k}_1, \boldsymbol{k}_2) = \delta_{\rm D}(\boldsymbol{k} - \boldsymbol{k}_1 - \boldsymbol{k}_2) \; \frac{|\boldsymbol{k}_1 + \boldsymbol{k}_2|^2 (\boldsymbol{k}_1 \cdot \boldsymbol{k}_2)}{2k_1^2 k_2^2}, \tag{6}$$

 $\gamma_{abc}^{(s)}(\boldsymbol{k}, \boldsymbol{k}_i, \boldsymbol{k}_j) = \gamma_{acb}^{(s)}(\boldsymbol{k}, \boldsymbol{k}_j, \boldsymbol{k}_i)$ and γ is zero otherwise, $\delta_{\rm D}$ denotes the Dirac delta distribution. The formal integral solution to equa-

Crocce, Pueblas, Scoccimarro (2006)



Figure 6. Power spectrum for different initial conditions (2LPT $z_i = 11.5$, ZA $z_i = 49$ and ZA $z_i = 24$, from top to bottom in each panel) compared to the reference runs at z = 0 (top), z = 1 (middle) and z = 3 (bottom). The dotted lines show an estimate of the transients for ZA $z_i = 49$ and ZA $z_i = 24$ from one-loop PT.

* discreteness imposes

- finite particle mass
- softening of potential at small r (to avoid infinite forces at r=0)

* various studies of how best to set these parameters, but in practice

 $m_p = \rho_m L^3 / N_p$ soft ~ (0.1-0.2) L / $N_p^{1/3}$

Convergence tests are a pragmatic approach to testing discreteness effects

Steinmetz and White (1997)

Consider a fluid element of mass m_g and density ρ_g which is at rest. This fluid element encounters a dark matter particle of mass $M_{\rm DM}$ and relative velocity v with a closest approach distance b. In the impulse approximation (see, e.g., Binney & Tremaine 1987), the fluid element is accelerated to velocity

$$\Delta v = \frac{2 G M_{\rm DM}}{b v} , \qquad (1)$$

or to a corresponding kinetic energy

$$\Delta E = \frac{2 G^2 M_{\rm DM}^2 m_{\rm g}}{b^2 v^2} \,. \tag{2}$$

This energy is dissipated to heat by shocks, by artificial viscosity, or by an adiabatic expansion of the gas to a new equilibrium state. Such encounters occur with a rate $2\pi v b db \rho_{DM} M_{DM}^{-1}$, so the heating rate can be written as

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}t}\Big|_{\mathrm{heat}} = \int \mathrm{d}^3 v f(v) \int_{b_{\mathrm{min}}}^{b_{\mathrm{max}}} 2 \,\pi \,\mathrm{d}b \,\frac{2 \,G^2 \,M_{\mathrm{DM}} \,\varrho_{\mathrm{DM}} m_{\mathrm{g}}}{b \,v} \,, \tag{3}$$

where f(v) is the velocity distribution function for the dark matter particles. Assuming this to be Maxwellian, we obtain, after the evaluation of the integrals,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}E}{\mathrm{d}t}\Big|_{\mathrm{heat}} = \sqrt{\frac{32\,\pi}{3}}\,G^2\,\ln\Lambda\,\frac{M_{\mathrm{DM}}\,m_g\,\varrho_{\mathrm{DM}}}{\sigma_{\mathrm{1D}}}\,,\tag{4}$$

 σ_{1D} being the 1D velocity dispersion of the dark matter and $\ln \Lambda$ the Coulomb logarithm. For typical galaxy formation experiments $\ln \Lambda$ is in the range 3 to 7.







Position Space @ 8 kpc



r = (0,8,0) kpc d = 1 kpc



Velocity Space @ 8 kpc



x

Position Space @ 400 kpc

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> r = (0,400,0) kpc d = 21.4 kpc



Velocity Space @ 400 kpc



many statistics to study with cosmological N-body simulations

Table 1 Statistical measures applied to galaxies and numerical simulations of structure formation						Ве	ertschinger 1998
Category	Statistic	Name	Reference				
Particle positions	ξ(r)	Two-point correlation function	Peebles 1980				
	$ \begin{aligned} P(k) \\ \zeta(r_1,r_2,r_3) \end{aligned} $	Power spectrum Three-point correlation function	Bertschinger 1992 Groth & Peebles 19	77			
	$\begin{array}{l} B(k_1,k_2,k_3)\\ \xi_N,\bar{\xi}_N\end{array}$	Bispectrum N-point correlation functions and moments	Peebles 1980 Peebles 1980				
	$P_0(V), P_N(V)$	Void probability function, cell counts	White 1979				
	_	Percolation, minimal spanning tree statistics	Coles 1992				
	_	Multifractal statistics	Martínez et al 1990				
Density fields	G(v)	Genus of isodensity surfaces	Melott 1990				
	_	Area of isodensity surfaces	Ryden 1988				
	$v_i(v)$ $f(\delta)$	Minkowski functionals One-point density	Mecke et al 1994 Kofman et al 1994	Velocity fields	f(v)	One-point velocity distribution (and moments)	Inagaki et al 1992
	$\left< \delta_c^N \right>$	distribution One-point cumulants (skewness kurtosis etc)	Peebles 1980		$\mathcal{M} f(heta)$	Mach number Velocity divergence distribution (and moments)	Ostriker & Suto 1990 Bernardeau et al 1985
	_	Shape statistics	Davé et al 1997b		$f(v_{12}),\sigma_{12}$	Pairwise radial velocity distribution and dispersion	Davis & Peebles 1983
				Redshift space	$\xi(r_p,\pi),\xi(s)$	Redshift space correlation functions	Davis & Peebles 1983
					$P_s(k,\mu)$	Redshift space power spectrum	Cole et al 1995
			\rightarrow	Clusters or halos	$n(m)$ $n(V_c)$ $n(\sigma)$ $n(T), n(L)$	Mass distribution Circular velocity distribution Velocity dispersion distribution Temperature and X-ray luminosity distributions	Press & Schechter 1974 Gelb & Bertschinger 199 Evrard 1989 Cen & Ostriker 1994a

N-body simulations of DM halos: internal structure

similarity of internal halo structure, from galaxy to cluster scales

A rich galaxy cluster halo Springel et al 2001

A 'Milky Way' halo Power et al 2002



similarity of internal halo density profiles



The average dark matter density of a dark halo depends on distance from halo centre in a very similar way in halos of all masses at all times -- a universal profile shape --

$$\rho(r)/\rho_{crit} \approx \delta r_s/r(1+r/r_s)^2$$

More massive halos and halos that form earlier have higher densities (bigger δ)

Concentration $c = r_{200} / r_s$ is an alternative density measure Beware variety of definitions!

courtesy S.D.M. White, CATB2009













sub-halo structure **does not dominate** the internal density field

Density relative to a smooth ellipsoidal model



- Estimate a density ρ at each point by adaptively smoothing using the 64 nearest particles
- Fit to a smooth density profile stratified on similar ellipsoids
- The chance of a random point lying in a substructure is < 10⁻⁴
- The *rms* scatter about the smooth model for the remaining points is only about 4%

courtesy S.D.M.White, CATB2009



N-body simulations of DM halos: low-order spatial statistics

web-embedded halos have fuzzy topologies => variety of mass measures







halo space density from large N-body simulations

similarity variable variance in filtered linear density field

$$\left< (\delta M/M)^2 \right> \equiv \sigma^2(M) = \int d^3k W_T^2(kR) P(k,z)$$



other fitting formulae

(A detailed study of universality and numerical issues can be found in Bhattacharya++10 from which this table is taken)

Reference	Fitting function $f(\sigma)$	Mass Range	Redshift range
Sheth & Tormen (2002)	$f_{ST}(\sigma) = 0.3222 \sqrt{\frac{2(0.75)}{\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{0.75\delta_c^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{0.75\delta_c^2}\right)^{0.3}\right] \frac{\delta_c}{\sigma}$	Unspecified	Unspecified
Jenkins et al. (2001)	$0.315 \exp\left[- \ln \sigma^{-1} + 0.61 ^{3.8}\right]$	$-1.2 \leq \ln \sigma^{-1} \geq 1.05$	z=0-5
Warren et al. (2006)	$0.7234 \left(\sigma^{-1.625} + 0.2538\right) \exp\left[-\frac{1.1982}{\sigma^2}\right]$	$(10^{10} - 10^{15}) \ h^{-1} M_{\odot}$	z=0
Reed et al. (2007)	$0.3222\sqrt{\frac{2(0.707)}{\pi}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{0.707\delta_c^2}\right)^{0.3} + 0.6G_1(\sigma) + 0.4G_2(\sigma) \right]$	$-0.5 \le \ln \sigma^{-1} \ge 1.2$	z=0-30
	$\times \frac{\delta_c}{\sigma} \exp \left[-\frac{0.764\delta_c^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{0.03}{(n_{eff}+3)^2 (\delta_c/\sigma)^{0.6}} \right]$		
Manera et al. (2010)	$f_{ST}(\sigma) = 0.3222 \sqrt{\frac{2a}{\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{a\delta_c^2}{2\sigma^2}\right] \left[1 + \left(\frac{\sigma^2}{a\delta_c^2}\right)^p\right] \frac{\delta_c}{\sigma}$	(3.3 \times 10 13 – 3.3 \times 10 $^{15}) \ h^{-1} M_{\odot}$	z=0-0.5
Crocce et al. (2010)	$A(z)\left[\sigma^{-a(z)}+b(z)\right]\exp\left[-\frac{c(z)}{\sigma^2}\right]$	$(10^{10} - 10^{15}) \ h^{-1} M_{\odot}$	z=0-1
	$f(\sigma) = rac{M}{ar{ ho}} \; rac{dn}{d\ln\sigma^{-1}} \qquad , \qquad \int_0^\infty$	$\int_{0}^{\infty} d\ln\sigma \ f(\sigma) = 1$	
		courtesy M White	COTB2011

MASS FUNCTION FITTING FORMULAE DERIVED IN PREVIOUS STUDIES

analytic underpinnings for the halo mass function

- Excursion set formalism
 - The most popular "theory".
 - The fraction of mass in halos more massive than *M* is related to the fraction of volume in which the smoothed initial density field is above some threshold, δ_c .
 - Mass function related to random walk.
 - Press-Schechter 1974; Bond, Cole, Efstathiou & Kaiser 1991.
 - Spherical collapse vs. elliptical collapse approx.
 - Mo & White, Sheth & Tormen, Zhang & Lam, ...
 - How to deal with "non-locality" of halo collapse.
- Statistics of (Gaussian) peaks plus a model for halo collapse (spherical or ellipsoidal).
 - Bardeen, Bond, Kaiser & Szalay 1986
 - Based on Rice (1944; 1945) who studied 1D Gaussian fields as models of noise in communications devices.
 - Bond & Myers 1996.

Dolol Lithwick & White 201V



clustering of halos is **biased** relative to the total matter

The clustering of the rare, massive dark matter halos is enhanced relative to the general mass distribution

 Kaiser 1984; Efstathiou++88; <u>Cole & Kaiser</u> 1989; Bond++91; Mo & White 1996; Sheth & Tormen 1999; ...; Tinker++10; ...



The clustering of rare halos thought to host quasars (here 10^{12} and $10^{12.5}$ M_{sun}/*h*) at *z*=3-4 is two orders of magnitude stronger than the clustering of the DM!

characteristics of **biasing** derived from simulations

This enhanced clustering is known as "bias".

Bias depends on scale [*b*(*r*)], but at very large scales it becomes scaleindependent [*b*].

- Bias, b, depends primarily on halo mass or "rarity".
 - In simplest models $b=1+(v^2-1)/\delta_c$, where $v=\delta_c/\sigma(M)$.
 - For more accuracy, use N-body-calibrated fitting function.
 - Behavior at "extremes" can depart from fitting functions!
- Numerical simulations now large enough to test for the dependence on halo formation history and other properties.
 - Dependencies on formation redshift, internal structure, and spin.
 - Gao++05; Wechsler++06; Harker++06; Bett++07; Wetzel++07; Jing++07; Gao&White07; Angulo++08

bias function calibrated by large N-body ensemble (Tinker et al. 2010)



Halo bias increases with increasing halo mass at fixed redshift, or with increasing redshift at fixed mass.

summary: lessons from N-body simulations about *halo model* of LSS

- * general aspects of halos
 - halos are dynamically evolving systems: close to virial equilibrium but frustrated by mergers and continual accretion
 - ellipsoidal in shape (tending prolate) with 2:1 axis ratios common aligned with surrounding filaments
- * internal structure of halos
 - relaxation to common density + velocity radial profiles
 - surviving substructures contain a small percentage of total mass
 - hierarchical nesting of sub-structure families reflect accretion history
- * low-order spatial distribution of halos
 - functional forms for <u>mass function</u>, n(M,z), and <u>bias function</u>, b(M,z), precisely calibrated via similarity variable, $\sigma(M)$ (mainly wCDM)
 - different, one-parameter mass assignment methods (FOF, SO) exist good: flexibility, reflects edge complexity bad: literature confusing

the end