# Dark Matter Substructure and their associated Galaxies



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#### PART I: The Subhalo Mass Function

(van den Bosch, Tormen & Giocoli, 2005)

### PART II: Statistical Properties of Satellite Galaxies Evidence for Galactic Conformity (Weinmann, van den Bosch, Yang & Mo, 2005)

# Substructure: Why Bother?

- Satellite Galaxies: Dark matter subhaloes are thought to be associated with satellite galaxies
- Cosmology: Abundance of subhaloes is cosmology dependent, and may provide constraints on the power-spectrum on small scales
- Dark matter annihilation: Because of high phase-space densities, subhaloes are expected to be sites of pronounced gamma-ray emission from neutralino annihilations
- Gravitational Lensing: Substructure may explain flux-ratio anomalies
- Dynamics: Subhaloes are associated with interesting dynamical processes, such as dynamical friction, tidal stripping, and tidal heating
- Disk Formation: The presence of dark matter substructure may have important implications for formation and structure of disk galaxies (disk heating and onset of bar instabilities through impulsive encounters)

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# Simulations: Handy Tool or HandiCap?

Because of complex, non-linear processes involved, the statistics and properties of subhaloes are typically investigated using N-body Simulations.

**Problems with Simulations** 

- Resolution: It took until 1997-1998 before substructure appeared. Ghigna et al. (1998), Klypin et al. (1999), Moore et al. (1999)
- Identification: A plethora of subhalo finders is available, but they often yield conflicting results. See Kravtsov's talk
- Expensive: Many CPU cycles and students are required to produce (statistically relevant) results

**Advantages of Simulations** 

- All the relevant Physics is (in principle) included: Merger histories (progenitor masses & accretion times), orbital properties, dynamical friction, tidal stripping and heating, non-sphericity of haloes, subhalo-subhalo mergers
- Pretty Pictures: The "Whoaaahh-that-looks-so-coool-effect"

# Many CPU cycles later...Self-Similarity



In terms of substructure, haloes of widely different masses look self-similar:

subhalo mass function is universal

- Only cosmology dependence no mass dependence
  - Missing Satellite Problem



**Problems:** • Ghao et al. (2004) finds weak trend for mass dependence

- Disagreement on subhalo mass function;  $6\% \lesssim f_s \lesssim 100\%$
- Poor statistics because of heavy CPU requirements

## Uncle SAM to the rescue



Several studies used semi-analytical methods as alternative

Zentner & Bullock 2003; Oguri & Lee 2004; Taylor & Babul 2004

#### Ingredients

- Merger trees (PS formalism)
- Orbit Integration (Spherical Haloes)
- Dynamical Friction (Chandrasekhar 1943)
- Tidal Stripping & Heating
- Many of these ingredients are poorly understood (difficult to model)
- Simulations provide little help because of resolution dependence
- Orbits do not adjust adiabatically to (violent) major mergers...
- Predictions for Subhalo Mass Function:

Taylor & Babuldo not discuss subhalo mass functionZentner & Bullock discuss cosmology- but not mass-dependenceOguri & Leesubhalo mass functions are self-similar

## Solution: Less Physics

Parent haloes have self-similar NFW potentials: c(M) is weak compared to scatter in P(c|M)

 $\Rightarrow$  Orbital eccentricity distributions  $P(\varepsilon)$  independent of parent halo mass

 $\Rightarrow$  Consider the average orbit only; focus on average mass loss rate, averaged over all individual orbits, weighted by  $P(\varepsilon)$ 

This average mass loss rate is only a function of the mass ratio  $\psi=m/M$ 



The characteristic time au is proportional to dynamical time  $t_{
m dyn} \propto 1/\sqrt{
ho}$ 

$$au= au(z)= au_0~\left(rac{\Delta_{ ext{vir}}(z)}{\Delta_{ ext{vir}}(0)}
ight)^{-1/2}~\left(rac{H(z)}{H_0}
ight)^{-1}$$

The two free parameters,  $\tau_0$  and  $\zeta$  capture the physics of dynamical friction, tidal stripping, and tidal heating

Calibrate  $\tau_0$  and  $\zeta$  at a fixed parent mass using numerical simulations

The only property that is dependent on parent mass is mass assembly history, which can be modelled with EPS formalism

## Diagrammatica



# The Pros and Cons of Simplicity

### Advantage

- Extremely fast Subhalo mass function of individual halo is a matter of seconds on modern wristwatch
- Parameter Space Allows detailed study of mass dependence, cosmology dependence, redshift dependence, and scatter

Disadvantage

 No Phase-Space Info Because no individual orbits are followed, no predictions can be made regarding the spatial or kinematic distribution of subhaloes

# A Matter of Tuning



 $dn/d\psi \propto \psi^{-1.9} \Rightarrow$  mass budget dominated by most massive subhaloes, but only marginally so. Also, note the high mass cut-off (as expected)

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### SHMFs are NOT self-similar



More massive haloes assemble later  $\Rightarrow$  less time for mass loss to operate  $\Rightarrow$  larger subhalo mass fraction.

Our results accurately match the simulation results of Gao et al. (2004)

## Haloes grow, Subhaloes shrink



At higher redshifts, haloes have a larger subhalo mass fraction

This is a reflection of the fact that the time-scale for subhalo mass loss,  $\tau$ , is always smaller than the mass accretion time-scale on which new subhaloes are accreted

### Halo-to-Halo Variance



Note that  $P(\delta_f)$  is extremely skewed and broad.

This scatter in  $f_s$  owes entirely to scatter in the mass assembly histories. Scatter in  $P(\varepsilon)$ , not modelled here, will only make true scatter larger

To obtain an accurate, average subhalo mass function, one needs to average over many individual haloes

- $\Rightarrow$  Trends predicted are difficult to test with N-body simulations
- $\Rightarrow$  Constraining cosmology with flux-ratio anomalies is virtually impossible.

### Origin of the Variance



Scatter is virtually uncorrelated with the halo assembly time...

but  $\delta_f$  is strongly correlated with the mass fraction that has been accreted in the last Gyr.

**Present-Day Subhaloes have been accreted fairly recently** 

### **Conclusions Part I**

- As long as  $P(\varepsilon)$  does not significantly depend on halo mass, one expects the average mass loss rate of subhaloes to only depend on the instantaneous mass ratio  $\psi=m/M$
- In this case the only mass dependence of the subhalo mass function originates from the mass dependence of the halo assembly histories
- The subhalo mass function is not self-similar or universal
- A halo of  $10^{11}h^{-1}$  M<sub> $\odot$ </sub> has, on average, a suhalo mass fraction that is a factor 4 lower than a halo of  $10^{15}h^{-1}$  M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>.
- Haloes of the same mass have a larger subhalo mass fraction at higher redshifts.
- Large halo-to-halo variance; correlated with mass fraction that has been accreted recently (  $\leq 1$ Gyr).
- Present day subhaloes have been accreted recently
- All these results are in excellent agreement with the numerical simulations of Gao et al. (2004).

# Part II: Galaxy Ecology

# Many studies have investigated the relation between various galaxy properties (morphology/SFR/colour) and environment

(e.g., Oemler 1974; Dressler 1980; Postman & Geller 1984; Dominguez et al. 2002; Kauffmann et al. 2004; Balogh et al. 2004; Goto et al. 2003; Gomez et al. 2003; Hogg et al. 2004; Tanaka et al. 2004)

Environment estimated using galaxy overdensity (projected) to nth nearest neighbour,  $\Sigma_n$  or using fixed, metric aperture,  $\Sigma_R$ .

- Fraction of early types increases with density
- There is a characteristic density ( $\sim$  group-scale) below which environment dependence vanishes
- Groups and Clusters also reveal radial dependence: late type fraction increases with radius
- No radial dependence in groups with  $M \lesssim 10^{13.5} h^{-1} \ {
  m M}_{\odot}$

**Danger:** Physical meaning of  $\Sigma_n$  and  $\Sigma_R$  depends on environment.

Physically more meaningful to investigate halo mass dependence of galaxy properties. This requires galaxy group catalogues.

**Important:** Separate luminosity dependence from halo mass dependence.



Data from NYU-VAGC (Blanton et al. 2005): SSFRs from Kauffmann et al. (2003) and Brinchmann et al. (2004)

# Halo Mass Dependence



The fractions of early and late type galaxies depend strongly on halo mass.

At fixed halo mass, there is virtually no luminosity dependence.

The mass dependence is smooth: there is no characteristic mass scale; i.e., no indication that something special happens at the group or cluster scales.

The intermediate type fraction is independent of luminosity and mass.

# Dependence on Group-centric Radius



As noticed before, the late type fraction of satellites increases with radius. This trend is independent of halo mass!

Inconsistent with previous studies, but these included central galaxies.

Our results rule out group- and cluster-specific processes such as ram-pressure stripping and harassment: nature rather than nurture!

### **Galactic Conformity**



Satellite galaxies 'adjust' themselves to properties of their central galaxy: late type 'centrals' have preferentially late type satellites, and vice versa. This has been noticed before, but only for small samples of loose groups (Wirth 1983; Ramella et al. 1987; Osmond & Ponmon 2004).

Our results indicate that this Galactic Conformity is present over largeranges in luminosity and halo mass.(Weinmann, vdB, Yang & Mo, 2005)

## **Conclusions Part II**

- Galaxy properties scale smoothly with halo mass. There is no indication for a specific transition at either group or cluster scale.
- Galaxy type (early vs. late) is determined by the mass of the halo in which the galaxy lives. Not by the mass (or luminosity) of the galaxy.
- Late type fractions increase with halo-centric radius, independent of halo mass.
- Satellite galaxies 'adjust' their properties to those of their central galaxy: Galactic Conformity (Weinmann, vdB, Yang & Mo 2005)

