

# **Evolution of Cosmic Gas Density**

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- What we know
- The role of HI absorption
- Gas bias
- Intensity mapping
  - PAF



updated from Rhee et al. (2016)

















# The role of HI absorption

$$N_{HI}(cm^{-2}) = 1.82 \times 10^{18} \frac{T_s}{f} \int_{rest} \tau \, dv (km \cdot s^{-1})$$

- Column density depends on:
  Optical depth profile τ(v) from HI spectrum
  Frequency/redshift (1+z) from HI spectrum
  - Covering factor *f* from VLBI
  - Spin temperature  $T_s$  unknown

#### **DLA Systems**



Kanekar+ (2014)

#### **Emission/absorption spectra of the Magellanic Clouds**

LMC (Z=0.3Z<sub>☉</sub>)

SMC (Z=0.1Z<sub>☉</sub>)



Ongoing ATCA Large Project (McClure-Griffiths et al.)





### Intensity mapping

Foreground removed map (median)





HI intensity map

#### <- cross-correlate -> WiggleZ density map



# CAASTRO Cross-power spectrum

 $P_X = b_{HI} b_{opt} T_{HI} r P_{dm}(k)$ 

bias parameters DM power spectrum

radio-optical correlation

cosmic gas density

 $\overline{T_{HI}} = 250 \left(\frac{\Omega_{HI}}{0.01}\right) (1+z)^{0.5} \mu K$ 



### VWEB (Hoffmann et al. 2012)



#### SIMULATIONS (Cui+ 2017)

Knots (red) Filaments (blue) Sheets (green) Voids (black)

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Also Pweb (Hann+ 2006)



#### Gas traces large-scale structure



Cui+ (2017)









Parkes (Anderson et al. in prep)



### Forthcoming IM experiments











# CAASTRO AGC CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR ALL SKY ASTROPHYSICS MPIPAF@Parkes





# LMC MPIPAF image



Greyscale: PAF; contours (S/Smith et al 2003)



## G23 stack



T.Reynolds+ (2017)



### Standing waves





#### **Fourier Analysis**



PAF suffers less from interference from reflected radiation Natural standing wave frequency 5.6 MHz at Parkes (1200 km/s at z=0) T. Reynolds+ (2017)



# RFI mitigation (band 2)



Oblique projection (Chippendale & Hellbourg 2017)



# RFI mitigation (band 1)





Oblique projection (Chippendale & Hellbourg 2017)

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- Cosmic gas (HI) density has most uncertainty in range 0.3<z<2</li>
  - Useful pre-SKA advances will be made by uGMRT, SKA precursors and IM
  - HI absorption experiments will inform ISM physics
- PAFs (esp. a cryo-PAF) will make a contribution to IM experiments