

Curriculum Vitae

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1. CURRICULUM VITAE

1.1. Education:

9/1979-7/1983	BS (7/83; Phys.)	Dept. of Phys., Anhui Univ.
9/1983-4/1987	MS (1/86; Astrophys.)	Univ. of Sci. & Tech. of China
5/1987-6/1991	PhD (6/91; Astrophys.)	Munich University

1.2. Professional Employment:

1991 - 1994	Postdoctoral fellow	Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge
1994 - 1995	Postdoctoral member	Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton
1995 - 1998	Tenure-track position:	Max-Planck-Institut für Astrophysik
1999 - 2003	Tenured scientific staff	Max-Planck-Institut für Astrophysik
2003 - 2008	Associate professor	Astronomy, UMass
2008 -	Full professor	Astronomy, UMass

1.3. HONORS

Master Chair Professor, Univ. of Sci. & Tech of China

Honorary Professor, Shanghai Observatory

Key-Projects Advisor, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Outstanding Overseas Young Scientist, Chinese Academy of Sciences

Visiting Professor, Padova University, 2000

PhD thesis with the highest honor (Summa Cum Laude)

2. TEACHING AND SUPERVISION

2.1. Courses taught

1. Astro 100, Exploring the Universe
2. Astro 330H, Cosmology and Galaxies
3. Astro 452H, Astrophysics II: Galaxies
4. Astro 791, Astronomical literature
5. Astro 850, Galaxy formation and evolution
6. Perturbation theory and non-linear evolution of the cosmic density field

2.2. Lectures given at off-campus schools

1. Galaxy Formation, 2010, Trieste Summer School on Cosmology, Trieste, Italy (200 students, 6 hours)
2. Dark matter halos, 2009, Summer School, Santa Fe
3. Structure formation in the universe, 2007, Summer School, Taipei (50 students, 10 hours)
4. Structure formation in the universe, 2002, Dresden Univ. (40 students, 15 hours)
5. Galaxy formation and evolution, 2002, Beijing Univ. (50 students, 30 hours)
6. Cosmology, large-scale structure of the universe and galaxy formation, 2000, Shanghai Observatory (50 students, 50 hours)
7. Structure formation in the universe, 1999, Padova Univ. (20 students, 10 hours)

2.3. Students supervised

1. Zhankui Lu: RA, second year project, UMass
2. Wentao Luo: exchange PhD student from Shanghai Astronomical Observatory
3. BoMee Lee: RA, second year project, UMass

4. Sirinrat Sithajan: second-year project
5. Ran Li: exchange PhD student from Peking University.
6. Yu Lu: RA, UMass
7. Yun Li: RA, UMass
8. Yicheng Guo: second year project.
9. Shiyin Shen: former graduate student; PhD thesis: The structural properties of galaxies using the SDSS data
10. Xiaohu Yang: former graduate student; PhD thesis: The connection between galaxies and dark matter
11. Lidia Tasca: former graduate student; PhD thesis: Modeling the structural properties of galaxies using the SDSS data
12. Rigoberto Casas-Miranda: former graduate student; PhD thesis: The high-order statistics of the spatial distribution of dark halos
13. Michael Platzöder finished his Diplom (master) degree in 1996 with a thesis entitled “Statistical Analysis of Galaxy Distribution with the Help of Minkowski Functionals”
14. Weipeng Lin: Former graduate student; PhD thesis: Modeling QSO absorption line systems associated with galaxies
15. Wolfgang Salzmann finished his Diplom (master) degree in 1997 with a thesis entitled “An analytic model for the mass distribution in the infall regions around clusters”
16. Matteo Viel, a PhD student from Padova University, worked with me for about two years for his PhD project on recovering the density spectrum using QSO absorption line systems
17. Donghai Zhao, a PhD student from Shanghai Observatory, worked with me for one year on a project on the formation of dark matter halos

2.4. Postdoctoral fellows sponsored

1. Huiyuan Wang: current postdoctoral research associate
2. Xiaohu Yang: former postdoctoral research associate (2003-2005)

3. At the Max-Planck-Institute for Astrophysics (MPA) where I held a faculty position from 1995 to 2003, postdoctoral fellows were all sponsored by the institute.

3. Research and Publication

3.1. Books

1. Galaxy Formation and Evolution

Mo, Houjun; van den Bosch, Frank C.; White, Simon, 2010, Cambridge University Press

3.2. Publication in Journals

1. Reconstructing the Cosmic Velocity and Tidal Fields with Galaxy Groups Selected from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey

Wang, Huiyuan; Mo, H. J.; Yang, Xiaohu; van den Bosch, Frank C., 2011, arXiv1108.1008

2. An analytical model for the accretion of dark matter subhalos

Yang, Xiaohu; Mo, H. J.; Zhang, Youcai; van den Bosch, Frank C., 2011, arXiv1104.1757

3. A Bayesian approach to the semi-analytic model of galaxy formation: methodology

Lu, Yu; Mo, H. J.; Weinberg, Martin D.; Katz, Neal, 2011, MNRAS, tmp, 1123

4. On the algorithms of radiative cooling in semi-analytic models

Lu, Yu; Keres Dusan; Katz, Neal; Mo, H. J.; Fardal, Mark; Weinberg, Martin D., 2011, MNRAS, tmp, 1035

5. Probing hot gas in galaxy groups through the Sunyaev-Zeldovich effect

Li, Ran; Mo, H. J.; Fan, Zuhui; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Yang, Xiaohu, 2011, MNRAS, 413, 3039

6. Internal properties and environments of dark matter haloes

Wang, Huiyuan; Mo, H. J.; Jing, Y. P.; Yang, Xiaohu; Wang, Yu, 2011, MNRAS, 413, 1973

7. Are brightest halo galaxies central galaxies?

Skibba, Ramin A.; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Yang, Xiaohu; More, Surhud; Mo, Houjun; Fontanot, Fabio, 2011, MNRAS, 410, 417

8. Satellite kinematics - III. Halo masses of central galaxies in SDSS

More, Surhud; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Cacciato, Marcello; Skibba, Ramin; Mo, H. J.; Yang, Xiaohu, 2011, MNRAS, 410, 210

9. Ages and metallicities of central and satellite galaxies: implications for galaxy formation and evolution
Pasquali, Anna; Gallazzi, Anna; Fontanot, Fabio; van den Bosch, Frank C.; De Lucia, Gabriella; Mo, H. J.; Yang, Xiaohu, 2010, MNRAS, 407, 937
10. The Stellar Mass Components of Galaxies: Comparing Semi-Analytical Models with Observation
Liu, Lei; Yang, Xiaohu; Mo, H. J.; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Springel, Volker, 2010, ApJ, 712, 734
11. Accurate Universal Models for the Mass Accretion Histories and Concentrations of Dark Matter Halos
Zhao, D. H.; Jing, Y. P.; Mo, H. J.; Brner, G., 2009, ApJ, 707, 354
12. Structural properties of central galaxies in groups and clusters
Guo, Yicheng; McIntosh, Daniel H.; Mo, H. J.; Katz, Neal; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Weinberg, Martin; Weinmann, Simone M.; Pasquali, Anna; Yang, Xiaohu, 2009, MNRAS, 398, 1129
13. Mass distribution and accretion of sub-halos
Li, Yun; Mo, Houjun, 2009, arXiv0908.0301
14. The distribution of ejected subhaloes and its implication for halo assembly bias
Wang, Huiyuan; Mo, H. J.; Jing, Y. P., 2009, MNRAS, 396, 2249
15. The Nature of Red Dwarf Galaxies
Wang, Yu; Yang, Xiaohu; Mo, H. J.; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Katz, Neal; Pasquali, Anna; McIntosh, Daniel H.; Weinmann, Simone M., 2009, ApJ, 697, 247
16. Environmental effects on satellite galaxies: the link between concentration, size and colour profile
Weinmann, Simone M.; Kauffmann, Guinevere; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Pasquali, Anna; McIntosh, Daniel H.; Mo, Houjun; Yang, Xiaohu; Guo, Yicheng, 2009, MNRAS, 394, 1213
17. The correlation of star formation quenching with internal galaxy properties and environment
Kimm, Taysun; Somerville, Rachel S.; Yi, Sukyoung K.; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Salim, Samir; Fontanot, Fabio; Monaco, Pierluigi; Mo, Houjun; Pasquali, Anna; Rich, R. M.; Yang, Xiaohu, 2009MNRAS, 394, 1131

18. Modelling galaxy-galaxy weak lensing with Sloan Digital Sky Survey groups
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19. Galaxy clustering and galaxy-galaxy lensing: a promising union to constrain cosmological parameters
Cacciato, Marcello; van den Bosch, Frank C.; More, Surhud; Li, Ran; Mo, H. J.; Yang, Xiaohu, 2009, MNRAS, 394, 929
20. Galaxy Groups in the SDSS DR4. III. The Luminosity and Stellar Mass Functions
Yang, Xiaohu; Mo, H. J.; van den Bosch, Frank C., 2009, ApJ, 695, 900
21. Reconstructing the cosmic density field with the distribution of dark matter haloes
Wang, Huiyuan; Mo, H. J.; Jing, Y. P.; Guo, Yicheng; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Yang, Xiaohu, 2009, MNRAS, 394, 398
22. The rise and fall of galaxy activity in dark matter haloes
Pasquali, Anna; van den Bosch, Frank C.; Mo, H. J.; Yang, Xiaohu; Somerville, Rachel, 2009, MNRAS, 394, 38
23. The Subhalo-Satellite Connection and the Fate of Disrupted Satellite Galaxies
Yang, Xiaohu; Mo, H. J.; van den Bosch, Frank C., 2009, ApJ, 693, 830
24. Satellite kinematics - II. The halo mass-luminosity relation of central galaxies in SDSS
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25. Feedback from galactic stellar bulges and hot gaseous haloes of galaxies
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27. On halo formation times and assembly bias
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28. Ongoing assembly of massive galaxies by major merging in large groups and clusters from the SDSS
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33. Spatial and kinematic alignments between central and satellite halos
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34. Galaxy Groups in the SDSS DR4: I. The Catalogue and Basic Properties
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36. The alignment between satellites and central galaxies: theory versus observations
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37. Three Different Types of Galaxy Alignment within Dark Matter Halos
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an den Bosch, F. C.; Yang, X.; Mo, H. J.; Weinmann, S. M.; Maccio, A. V.; More, S.; Cacciato, M.; Skibba, R.; Kang, X., 2007, MNRAS, 376, 841

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42. Environmental dependence of cold dark matter halo formation
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43. The Assembly History of Dark Matter Haloes
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53. Properties of Galaxy Groups in the SDSS: I.– The Dependence of Colour, Star Formation, and Morphology on Halo Mass
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60. The two-point correlation of galaxy groups: probing the clustering of dark matter haloes
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62. The abundance and radial distribution of satellite galaxies
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66. Probing dark matter haloes with satellite kinematics
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Zhao, D.H; Mo H.J.; Jing, Y. P.; Brner, G., 2003, MNRAS, 339, 12
74. Constraining Galaxy Formation and Cosmology with the Conditional Luminosity Function of Galaxies
Yang, X.; Mo, H.J.; van den Bosch, F.C., 2003, MNRAS, 339, 1057
75. Understanding the Results of Galaxy-Galaxy Lensing using Galaxy-Mass Correlation in Numerical Simulations
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M. Viel, S. Matarrese, H.J. Mo, Tom Theuns, M.G. Haehnelt, 2002, MNRAS, 336, 685
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78. The abundance and clustering of dark haloes in the standard Lambda CDM cosmogony
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81. Galaxy formation in pre-heated intergalactic media
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83. The fundamental plane of spiral galaxies: theoretical expectations
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84. Probing the IGM with the Ly α forest along multiple lines of sight to distant QSOs
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85. Sloan Digital Sky Survey: Early Data Release
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87. Constraining cosmological parameters with the clustering properties of galaxy clusters in optical and X-ray bands
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88. Ellipsoidal collapse and an improved model for the number and spatial distribution of dark matter haloes
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3.4. Invited talks at international conferences

1. A Bayesian approach to the semi-analytic model of galaxy formation, The second Galileo - Xu Guangqi meeting Ventimiglia, Italy 2010
2. Galaxy formation, an overview: invited talk, China TMT workshop, Beijing 2009
3. The formation and structure of CDM halos, invited talk, Santa Cruz Galaxy Workshop, 2009
4. Galaxy groups and cosmology, invited talk, The 1st Galileo-Xu Guangqi Conference, Shanghai 2009
5. The formation and structure of dark matter halos, keynote talk, Galaxy Growth in a Dark Universe, Heidelberg 2007
6. The galaxy-dark matter connection, keynote talk, Galaxy formation in the local and high-redshift universe, Lijiang, 2007
7. Establishing the relationship between galaxies and dark matter: invited talk, IAU Symposium No 235, Galaxy evolution across the Hubble time, Prague, 2006
8. Killing dwarf galaxies with hot pancakes, invited talk, Galaxies in the Cosmic Web, Las Cruces, 2006
9. Cold gas in dark halos and the formation of late-type galaxies, invited talk, IAU colloquium 199, Shanghai, 2005
10. The origin of cold dark matter halo profiles, invited talk, 21st IAP Colloquium, Paris, 2005
11. Galaxy formation in preheated media, invited talk, Eibsee, 2001
12. The nature of high-redshift galaxies, invited talk, Asiago, 2000
13. Analytical approximation to galaxy clustering, invited talk Ringberg, 1998
14. Gaseous galaxy halos and QSO absorption line systems, invited talk, Santa Cruz, 1997

3.5. Contributed talks at international conferences

1. The clustering of dark matter halos, Aspen, 2002
2. Cosmological formation of disk galaxies, IAP Colloquium, Paris, 2000
3. The formation of galaxy disks, UC Santa Barbara, 2000
4. The formation and evolution of disk galaxies, Ringberg, 1998
5. High-redshift galaxies and galaxy formation, Hong Kong, 1996

3.6. Invited talks at other institutions

1. Bayesian galaxy formation, KIPAC, Stanford University, 2011
2. The formation and structure of dark matter halos KIPAC, Stanford University, 2011
3. A Bayesian approach to the semi-analytical model of galaxy formation, Institute of Astronomy, Cambridge University, 2011
4. A Bayesian approach to galaxy formation, University of Durham, UK, 2011
5. The structure and formation of dark matter halos, Max-Planck-Institute for Astrophysics, Garching, Germany, 2011
6. A Bayesian approach to the semi-analytical model of galaxy formation, KIAA, Peking University, 2011
7. Bayesian galaxy formation, National Observatory of China, 2011
8. Galaxy formation, a Bayesian approach, colloquium, Department of Astronomy, University of Barcelona, 2010
9. The galaxy-dark matter connection, Astronomy Department, University of Maryland, 2008
10. The relationship between galaxies and dark matter, Institute of Astronomy, Academia Sinica, Taipei, 2007
11. Cosmology and galaxy formation, Yunan University, Kunmin 2007
12. The relationship between galaxies and dark matter halos, Astronomy Department, Columbia University, 2006

13. The galaxy-dark matter connection, KITP, Santa Barbara, 2006
14. The galaxy-dark matter connection, Astronomy Department, Univ. of California at Berkeley, 2006
15. The galaxy-dark matter connection, Astronomy Department, Queen's Univ., Kingston, 2006
16. The connection between dark halos and galaxies, Max-Plank-Institut für Astronomie, 2005
17. Linking galaxies with dark matter halos, University of Pennsylvania, 2005
18. The connection between galaxies and dark halos, Harvard, 2004
19. Linking galaxies with dark matter halos, MIT, 2004
20. Modeling galaxy clustering in the universe, Univ. of Massachusetts, 2002
21. Galaxy formation and evolution, Beijing Obs., 2002
22. The formation of galaxies in CDM cosmogony Shanghai Obs., 2001
23. The formation of disk galaxies, Padova Univ., 2000
24. The origin of the scaling relations of disk galaxies, Padova Univ., 1999
25. The formation and evolution of disk galaxies, Heidelberg, 1999
26. The properties of damped Lyman alpha systems, UC San Diego, 1999
27. The properties of Lyman break galaxies, CalTech, 1999
28. The formation of disk galaxies, Roma Univ., 1998
29. The formation of disk galaxies, Munich Univ., 1998
30. An analytical model of dark matter clustering, Edinburgh Univ., 1997
31. The clustering of dark matter and dark matter halos, Univ. of Arizona, 1996
32. Gaseous galaxy halos and QSO absorption line systems, Stony Brook, 1995
33. The clustering of dark halos and bias, Space Telescope Science Institute, 1995
34. Galaxy clustering and bias, Univ. of Illinois, 1995
35. Damped Lyman alpha systems and galaxy formation, Potsdam, 1995

3.7. Grants and Sponsored Activities

- Current: Probing galaxy-formation physics: a Bayesian inference approach
PI: Houjun Mo (Co-I: Weinberg)
Total Request: \$352,000
Dates: 9/1/11 - 8/31/14
Source: NASA ATFP
- Current: Reconstructing the dark matter distribution to simulate the local intergalactic medium
PI: Houjun Mo (Co-Is: Katz, Tripp)
Total Request: \$428,000
Dates: 9/1/09 - 8/31/12
Source: NASA ATFP
- Past: The Large-Scale Distribution and Physical Properties of Gas in the Cosmic Web
PI: Tripp (Co-Is: Katz, Mo)
Total Request: \$192,316
Dates: 6/1/08 - 5/31/10
Source: NASA ADP
- Past: Suppressing Dwarf Galaxy Formation with Gravitational Pancakes
PI: Houjun Mo (Co-I: N. Katz)
Total Amount: \$292,905
Dates: 7/15/06 - 7/14/09
Source: NSF Extragalactic
- Past: Enabling Bayesian inference for the astronomy masses
PI: Martin Weinberg (Co-Is: N. Katz, H.J. Mo and E. Moss)
Total Amount: \$714,101
Dates: 3/15/06 - 3/14/09
Source: NASA AISR
- Past: High-performance Computational Bayesian Inference
PI: Martin Weinberg (Co-Is Katz, Mo, Moss)
Total Request: \$771,900
Dates: 7/15/06 - 7/14/09
Source: NSF SEIII
- Past: Graduate Scholarship Program
Sponsors: Zuhui Fan (Peking Univ.) and Houjun Mo

Total Awarded: \$24,000

Source: Chinese Ministry of Education

Purpose: To support an exchange student to UMass for 2 years

- Past: Group collaboration: “Galaxy formation and evolution”

PI: Yipeng Jing (Shanghai)

Total Awarded: RMB 5,000,000 (about \$700,000)

Dates: 10/1/2002 - 9/30/2007

Source: Chinese Academy of Sciences

Purpose: To support joint research in the field of galaxy formation and cosmology.
This has led to the publications of more than 30 papers, of which Houjun Mo is an co-author for 25.

- Past: Astrophysics research grant

PI: Houjun Mo

Total amount: \$3,000

Purpose: To purchase a desktop computer for storing and publicly releasing the data produced by the project: “The relationship between galaxies and dark matter”.

- Past: MPA participation of the Sloan Digital Sky Survey

PI: Simon White

Total amount: 1,000,000 Euro

Purpose: This contribution made MPA an official participant of the Sloan Digital Sky Survey, and the data right was granted to the two official participants (Simon White and Houjun Mo) and up to six postdoctoral researchers and students.

- Past: Outstanding Young Overseas Chinese Grant

PI: Houjun Mo

Total amount: RMB 400,000 (about \$50,000)

Dates: 10/1/1999 - 9/30/2002

Source: National Sciences Foundation of China

Purpose: To support collaboration with National Astronomical Observatory, Beijing, China, on a project, “The structural properties of nearby galaxies”.

4. SERVICES

4.1. Campus and University

- Department merit committee, UMass, 2011-2012
- Graduate program committee, 2007 -
- Graduate admission committee, 2007 - 2010
- Faculty senate, 2007 -
- Department-head search committee, 2007
- Department personnel committee, UMass, 2006-2007
- Department personnel committee, UMass, 2005-2006
- Department personnel committee, UMass, 2004-2005
- Department merit committee, UMass, 2004-2005
- Department faculty search committee, UMass, 2006
- Department faculty search committee, UMass, 2004
- Chair, Department Colloquium, UMass, 2004-2005
- Chair, first-year project exam committee, 2005
- member, second-year project exam committee, 2004
- member, first-year project exam committee, 2006
- member, second-year project exam committee, 2005
- PhD thesis committees, UMass (so far on 7 committees in astronomy and physics)
- Organizer of the weekly Institute Seminar at the Max-Planck-Institut für Astrophysik (MPA) 1999-2003
- MPA CoCo (Collaboration Council) representative, the Sloan Digital Sky Survey, 2001-2003
- MPA chairman and contact person for the International Max-Planck Research School, 2001-2003

- PhD thesis committee member at the MPA, 1999-2003
- Member of selection committee for postdoctoral fellows at the MPA, 1999-2003
- MPA contact person of the Cosmology Partner Group in Shanghai
- Organizer of the weekly Cosmology Seminar, 1996 - 2001

4.2. Service to profession

- Editor, International Journal of Modern Physics D, Gravitation, Astrophysics and Cosmology, 2007-2009
- Referee for leading international astronomical journals, MNRAS, ApJ, ApJ Letters, AJ, A&A
- Key projects reviewer, Chinese Academy of Sciences
- Reviewer, Israeli National Science Foundation
- Research proposal referee, Padova University, Italy
- Scientific Organizing Committee, Cosmic Re-ionization - the Formation and Evolution of Stars, Galaxies and Black Holes, Beijing, 2008
- Scientific Organizing Committee, IAU Colloquium 199, 2005
- Scientific Organizing Committee, ‘Cosmology in the New Millennium’, Shanghai 2000
- Local Organizing Committee, ‘The Evolution of Large-Scale Structure’, Garching 1998
- Local Organizing Committee, ‘From Stars to Galaxies to the Universe’, Ringberg 1998
- Member, International Astronomical Union
- Member, European Research and Training Network / Galaxy Formation and Evolution, 1998 - 2001
- Member, European Research and Training Network / Intergalactic Medium, 2001 - 2003
- Member, Special Research Area (astroparticle physics), German Research Foundation

4.3. Highlights of Past Research

Spatial clustering of dark matter halos: My main contribution here is the development of an analytical model for the spatial clustering of dark haloes. The results were published in Mo & White (1996). This model has been used extensively to study the clustering properties of galaxies and clusters of galaxies. Together with the model for the high-order moments of the halo distribution developed by Mo, Jing & White (1997), it provides the basis for what is now known as the ‘halo occupation model’ of the galaxy clustering.

Formation of disk galaxies: My main contribution here is the development of a model of disk galaxy formation in a cosmological context. The results were published in Mo, Mao & White (1998), and the model has been widely adopted in the field of galaxy formation.

Improving the Press-Schechter formalism: Sheth, Mo & Tormen (2001) extended the widely-used Press-Schechter formalism by incorporating ellipsoidal collapse, and showed that the resulting mass function and halo bias are much more accurate than the original Press-Schechter formalism. This extension not only provides a more accurate model for the mass and correlation functions of dark matter halos, but also allows one to model how the formation of dark matter halos depends on the large-scale environment.

The galaxy - dark matter halo connection: Jing, Mo & Börner (1998) were the first to introduce the concept of what is now called the ‘halo-occupation’ model of galaxy bias. They showed that such a bias is required in order for the current CDM cosmology to match the observed galaxy clustering on small scales. Together with my former postdoc and (Xiaohu Yang, Shanghai Observatory) and my collaborator, Frank van den Bosch (Max-Planck-Institute of Astronomy, Heidelberg), I extended the halo occupation model by incorporating the dependence on galaxy luminosity and color. This extension is now referred to as the conditional luminosity function (CLF) model in the literature. In the last couple of years, the halo-occupation/CLF model has been widely adopted in the study of the relationship between dark halos and galaxies. My collaboration group has made a major contribution to the research in this area.

Galaxy groups and the properties of galaxies dark matter halos: During the past two years, I and my collaborators (Xiaohu Yang and Frank van den Bosch) have embarked on a research program to understand how galaxies form in dark matter halos as represented by galaxy groups selected from large redshift surveys. We developed a very successful group finder which can group galaxies together according to their common halos. We have applied the group finder to the 2-degree Galaxy Redshift Survey (2dFGRS) and the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS), and have made our group catalogs publicly available to the whole community.

These catalogs allowed us to carry out, for the first time, a systematic analysis about how the properties of galaxies are affected by their host halos. So far, this program has produced more than 20 published papers and many more are to come.

Clustering of high-redshift galaxies: Mo & Fukugita (1996) was the first to predict that the Lyman-break galaxies observed at redshift $z \sim 3$ should be highly biased relative to the underlying mass. These results have been confirmed by various recent observations and theoretical modelling. The idea of using the observed number density and clustering strength of high-redshift galaxies to infer the masses of their host halos has since been widely adopted in the interpretation of the data on high-redshift galaxies.

Galaxy pairwise velocity dispersion: Mo, Jing & Börner (1993) were the first to find that the pairwise velocity dispersion (PVD) of galaxies (for which earlier analysis gave a very low value, which was the main reason for the introduction of a high level of bias in the CDM cosmogony) is very sensitive to the presence (or absence) of rich clusters in a sample and the samples used in earlier studies were too small to give a fair estimate of this quantity. This conclusion has since been confirmed by many other authors. Jing, Mo & Börner (1998) were the first to obtain a reliable value of the PVD from the Las Campanas Redshift Survey and show that the prediction of the current Λ CDM model is consistent with observational data. These results were subsequently confirmed by recent results based on the 2dFGRS and the SDSS.

QSO absorption line systems: Mo (1994) and Mo & Miralda-Escude (1996) developed a model in which QSO absorption line systems associated with galaxies are assumed to be produced by pressure-confined gas clouds in dark matter halos. More recently, a number of numerical simulations show that this model may also describe how galaxies accrete the cooling gas from their dark matter halos.

The formation and structure of CDM halos: In Zhao, Mo, Jing & Börner (2003), it was found that the build-up of dark halos in current CDM models generally consists of an early phase of fast accretion followed by a phase of slow accretion. Halos in the two accretion phases show systematically different properties. Subsequently, in Lu, Mo, Katz & Weinberg (2006), it is shown that such formation histories may play an important role in generating the universal halo density profile observed in cosmological N -body simulations. The results obtained by Lu et al. may provide important clue about the origin of the CDM dark matter halo profiles.

Galaxy formation in preheated media: Mo & Mao (2002) proposed that early star formation and AGN activities may heat the intergalactic medium to a finite temperature, and subsequent galaxy formation is in a preheated medium. This can have significant impact

on the gas cooling and accretion in galaxy halos. In particular, the hierarchical nature of clustering may be reversed in the gas component, as the effect is larger for smaller halos. Mo, Yang, van den Bosch & Katz (2005) proposed a preheating model where the medium around low-mass haloes is preheated by gravitational pancaking. We demonstrated that the progenitors of present-day dark matter haloes with $M \lesssim 10^{12}h^{-1}\text{M}_\odot$ were embedded in pancakes of masses $\sim 5 \times 10^{12}h^{-1}\text{M}_\odot$ at $z \sim 2$. The formation of such pancakes may heat the gas to a temperature of $5 \times 10^5\text{K}$, almost exactly the amount required to explain the stellar and HI mass functions. These models may have the potential to solve the problem that star formation in low-mass dark matter halos may be too efficient to match the observed galaxy luminosity function at the faint end.

Large-scale clustering of low-surface brightness galaxies: Mo, McGaugh, Bothun (1994) were the first to find that low-surface brightness galaxies have lower correlation strength than normal galaxies. This paper still represents one of the best estimate in the literature.

Damped Lyman alpha systems and galaxy formation: Mo & Miralda-Escudé (1994) were the first to find that the total HI mass associated with QSO damped Lyman alpha absorption line systems can put stringent constraints on models of structure formation. In particular, they found that the mixed dark matter (MDM) model does not have enough clustering power on small scale to match the observations. This triggered a series of re-investigations of the original MDM model.