Main successes and open problems of current galaxy formation models PATRICIA B. TISSERA Institute for Astronomy and Space Physics. Argentina



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Parameter	First Year	WMAPext	Three Year	
	Mean	Mean	Mean	
$100\Omega_b h^2$	$2.38^{+0.13}_{-0.12}$	$2.32_{-0.11}^{+0.12}$	2.23 ± 0.08	1.2
$\Omega_m h^2$	$0.144\substack{+0.016\\-0.016}$	$0.134\substack{+0.006\\-0.006}$	0.126 ± 0.009	1
H_0	72^{+5}_{-5}	73^{+3}_{-3}	74^{+3}_{-3}	
au	$0.17\substack{+0.08 \\ -0.07}$	$0.15\substack{+0.07 \\ -0.07}$	0.093 ± 0.029	
n_s	$0.99\substack{+0.04\\-0.04}$	$0.98\substack{+0.03\\-0.03}$	0.961 ± 0.017	1
Ω_m	$0.29^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$	$0.25\substack{+0.03\\-0.03}$	0.234 ± 0.035	-
σ_8	$0.92\substack{+0.1 \\ -0.1}$	$0.84^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$	0.76 ± 0.05	



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STRUCTURE FORMATION

Dark matter is: 'uniform' on the largest scales, 'filamentary' on intermediate scales, 'clumpy' on small scales.

Large-scale cosmic web grows by infall into and then flow along the filaments.

Halos grow by inhomogeneous infall and merging at the nodes of the cosmic web.

GALAXY FORMATION



The hierarchical building up of the structure







Gas cooling

 Gas cooling is modeled in a similar way by different authors, including AMR (e.g.Rassiera & Tyssier 2006) or Sph (e.g. Mosconi et al. 2001) codes.

 It depends on temperature and metallicity.

New codes follow the cooling of each elements (e.g. Wiersma, Schaye & Smith 2009)



Star formation

- Cold and dense gas in a collapsing cloud is considered to be suitable for star formation :
 - \star ρ> ρ_{crit} (assure that star formation takes place in substructure)
 - \star nH > nmin =0.1cm ³
 - ★ $t > t_{crit}$ (cold gas; ~15000K)
 - ★ convergent flow

The rate of SF is modeled to follow the Schmidt law (1959) such as

$$d\rho_{stars}/dt = \rho^{3/2}_{gas}$$



Springel & Hernquist 2003

Scannapieco et al. 2006



Regulates the star formation activity and enriches the ISM and IGM Affects the gas dynamics: disc formation

CHEMICAL FEEDBACK

First attempts to introduce chemical feedback in SPH simulations of MilkyWay type galaxies:

Steinmetz & Muller (1994) → SNII; global metallicity Z Raiteri et al. (1996; also Berczik 1999) → SNII & SNIa; Fe & H

Mosconi, Tissera, Lambas & Cora. (2001): SNII & SNIa, Eth. Lia, Portinari & Carraro (2002):detailed SE; diffusion Kawata & Gibson (2003):SNII, SNIa,IS; Eth +Ekin Springel & Hernquist (2003): Z + Twophases +Ekin Kobayashi (2004; et al. 2006):detailedSE; Eth +Ekin Scannapieco et al. 2005, 2006: SNII & SNIa + Multiphase+SNE Okamoto et al. 2006: SNII+SNIa+Twophases+Ekin (+top heavy Imf) Oppenhaimer & Dave 82006): SNII & SNIa + Twophases + Ekin Stinson et al. (2006): SNII&SNIa + cooling off Martinez-Serrano et al. (2008): detailedSE; diffusion

CHEMICAL FEEDBACK



Intermediate mass stars

CHEMICAL FEEDBACK

When SN explosions take place, they distribute metals according to the SPH technique (Mosconi et al. 2001). For a given chemical element x at a particle i, $M_{\rm ex} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} M_{\rm ex} = M_{\rm ex} M$









FIG. 6a

The energy is injected mainly in high density regions with short cooling times compared to the typical time step of integration:

There is no time for this energy to modify the dynamics.

ENERGY FEEDBACK

First ad hoc solution was kicking particles: a fraction of SN energy is dumped as thermal energy and the remaining one as kinetic energy as proposed by Navarro & White (1993).



Navarro & White 1993

ENERGY FEEDBACK

Solution: resolve the relevant scales to take into account the multiphase characters of the interstellar medium, where gas co-exists in a wide range of temperature and density states (e.g. Cox & Smith 1974; McKee & Ostriker 1977; Efstathiou 2000).

Instead **subgrid models are** <u>designed to follow</u> <u>analytically the physics within a gas cloud represented by</u> <u>a particle and then, to mimic the effects it should have on</u> <u>larger resolved scales.</u>

ENERGY FEEDBACK AND MULTIPHASE MODEL

Based on Yepes et al. (1997), Springel & Hernquist (2003) developed a two-phase within SPH, so that each particle has two phases (cold and hot) within it.

SHo3: regulates the star formation activity during quiescent phases of evolution BUT it could not drive galactic winds.

> SH03 came back to the kinetic feedback and kicked particles (e.g. Navarro & White 1993).



Important improvements have been made from this simple model of kinetic energy by trying to adjust the parameters using observationally motivated constrains (see also Okamoto et al. 2005; Kobayashi et al. 2006).

Simulations of IGM enrichment 1271



One important improvement is to add chemical evolution \rightarrow metal loaded winds can be triggered.

Stinson et al. (2006), followed this model and extended by using the blast wave solution of Chevalier (1974) and McKee & Ostriker (1977) to estimate the maximum radius and the time applied to turning off the cooling (Gerristsen 1997 and Thacker & Couchman 2000).





Multiphase Model + SN Feedback Scannapieco, Tissera, White, Springel 2006

Multiphase medium described by an entropy based model.

*A self-regulated feedback cycle between cold and dense environments and diffuse and hot environments.

*Galactic winds are naturally generated with a strength that reflects the potential well of the system.







Multiphase Model + SN Feedback

There is a problem related to the SPH : limited ability to resolve steep density gradients (Shapiro et al. 1996; Pearce et al. 1999):

The evaporation of low mass clumps of dense gas artificially evaporates.
The artificially enhancement of radiative cooling in the diffuse gas nearby dense

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A self-regulated feedback cycle between cold and dense environments and diffuse and hot environments.









Scannapieco et al. 2006



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Disc Formation



Special selection of initial conditions: normally galaxies are chosen not to have a recent major merger

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The same IC, different combination of SN and SF parameters



Scannapieco et al. 2008

Aquarius project: Different initial conditions, similar SF and SN parameters



THE COMPARISON WITH OBSERVATIONS WILL TELL WHICH IS THE BEST COMBINATION OF PARAMETERS.

Tully-Fisher relation



Governato et al. 2007



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0.40-0.70 9.40 4.49

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De Rossi et al. 2010





disc



halo

Mass-metallicity relation



De Rossi et al. 2007

Impact of galaxy formation on the dark matter distribution



Impact of galaxy formation on the dark matter distribution



Pedrosa et al. 2009

Impact of galaxy formation on the dark matter distribution



The dark matter distribution is affected by the way baryons are put together to form a galaxy (Romano-Diaz et al. 2008; Pedrosa et al. 2009)

The Adiabatic contraction overestimates the effects of baryons.

Aquarius project : total

Aquarius project:DM

Dark matter only

Blumenthal et al. 1986 Gnedin et al. 2004

Abadi et al. 2009

Tissera et al. 2009



Cosmological simulations provide for these effects naturally:

It is important to note that the comparison with observations is an open problem.

Some simulated quantities are not directly measure or even impossible to do so.

The observed large volumes are impossible to model with sufficient spatial and temporal resolution.



Ocvirk, Pichon & Teyssier (2008)

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Logarithm entropy maps

Mitchell et al. 2009



Conclusions

The global evolution of the structure is well described.

Gas cooling and collapse is described but we are just able to start understanding how the gas flows along the filamentary structure.

Star formation is still very simply modeled.

SN feedback is better described.

Chemical mixing is still not properly represented.

Other physical processes are still missing: AGN activity (see this week paper by Sijacki , Springel & Haehnelt.) High redshift physics, etc.

Numerical resolution is always an issue.



Thank you



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