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- Untargetted HI surveys with the SKA pathfinders
- Measuring the statistics of HI galaxy structure
- HI disk statistics through cosmic time with the SKA



HI in disk galaxies

HI disks: $\geq 1e20$ atoms/cm² HI diameter \propto (HI mass)^{1/2}



The HI morphology and kinematics of galaxy populations probe the interplay between baryons and dark matter





(universal ratio of atomic to molecular gas)











WALLABY will spatially resolve >8,000 HI disks. Statistics! Selection function!





3D rotating disk models are required to extract physical structure such as rotation curve and disk geometry.

Rogstad 74; Bosma 78; Begeman 87; Sicking 97; Jozsa+ 07; KS+Sellwood 07; Kamphuis+ 15, Bekiaris+ 16; di Teodoro +Fraternali 15; Davies+ 17; Oh+ 19; Varidel+19; Deg, KS+22







Challenge: most resolved WALLABY detections are in a S/N + resolution regime on the edge of modellability – generic to untargetted surveys.

Current focus is on automated 3D models with statistical uncertainties – a new regime.





Resolving HI disks with WALLABY on ASKAP Where we are now:





Homogeneous models of 236 untargetted HI detections now available – the largest collection of its kind



Scaling relations for HI disks and some interesting model failures...



Spatially resolving galaxies: column density sensitivity

The SKA will image HI disks at resolutions as high as ~1", and at column densities as deep as log(N_{HI})~17, in ~tens of hours.







The cosmic HI census [ိ]

SKA Key Science:

~10,000hr pencil beam SKA KSP: HI detecctions out to z ~ 2, HI disk maps [log(M_{HI}) > 10] to z ~ 1: AM buildup across cosmic time.



Staveley-Smith + Oosterloo 15; Blyth+ 15; Meyer + 15; Obreschkow+ 15; Power+15

Population studies of HI disks place important constraints on the interplay between baryons and dark matter.





WALLABY on ASKAP is delivering the first statistical samples of local HI disks → modelling challenges are generic to untargeted surveys.

A large KSP on SKA could map HI disks out to z~1: AA4 (but not AA*?) is the only facility being built or planned that can do this. *We should update this forecast!*

