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Modelling reionization: evolution of volume filling fraction of ionized hydrogen



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- The UVB created during reionization can suppress the gas mass of low-mass galaxies, flattening the faint-end slope.
- Variation of faint end slope of UV LF in multiple JWST fields can be used to explore fluctuating UVB (fixing critical mass value) Choudhury & PD, 2019



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Key reionization sources depend on SF efficiency (impacted by UV feedback) and the escape fraction PD & Ferrara, 2018, Physics Reports,780, 1

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Key sources and topology (patchiness) of reionization fundamental open questions

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The full LAE model: SPH+radiative transfer



Dayal+10,12; Hutter+14,15,16

Reionization hints from clustering evolution of LAEs

6 Neutral; ionized $f_{\alpha}/f_{c}=1.20$ 5 $\chi^2 = 52.9$ 4 3 w(r) Half neutral 2 Reionization progress 0 decreases (a) -1 measured $f_{\alpha}/f_{c}=0.80$ 5 clustering of LAEs $\chi^2 = 15.0$ 4 3 w(r) 25% neutral 2 0 (d) -1 (m) $f_{\alpha}/f_{c}=0.60$ 5 $\chi^2 = 4.17$ 4 3 w(r) **Fully ionized** 2 1 McQuinn+08; 0 Hutter, PD+2016 10 r [Mpc/h]

First evidence for an over-dense reionized patch





Clustered galaxies preferentially visible in Lyman Alpha

Castellano, PD+2016; Castellano+2017

Looking towards the future: 21cm with the SKA



Cross-correlating 21cm data with (spectroscopically confirmed) galaxy data will be key to yield information on reionization sources & topology

The SKA EoR "synergy" group

- Enormous efforts in trying to link observed 21cm emission with underlying galaxy/QSO populations to shed light on reionization sources & topology.
- We require information on fields, survey volumes/depths to calculate and co-ordinate best possible survey strategies.
- Targeting collaborations with Subaru, WFIRST, Euclid and E-ELT.
- Co-ordinators: Pratika Dayal, Andrea Ferrara, Eric Zackrisson

Relation between LAEs, reionization and 21cm brightness temperature



Lying in over-dense and highly ionized regions, LAEs show much lower 21cm brightness temperatures than average

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Topology of reionization: inside-out V/s outside in



Measuring 21cm brightness temperature in regions with/without LAEs can tell us if reionization proceeded inside out or outside-in..

Hutter, PD+2017, ApJ, 836, 176; Hutter, PD et al., decadal paper, arXiv: 1903.03628

Survey parameters to optimise the 21cm-LAE correlation



Key issue: As volume decreases, thermal noise increases. As number of LAEs decrease, shot noise increases.

Solution: 25 deg2 surveys (Subaru/WFIRST) targeting intermediate luminosity LAEs most optimal - but smaller volumes can be compensated by probing to lower Lya luminosities

Hutter, Trott & Dayal 2018; Hutter, Dayal et al, 2019 (Astro 2020 white paper)

Summary

• Modelling reionization still open problem due to key physical uncertainties for both galaxies and IGM (z-evolution of cosmic SFRD, fesc, C).

• Due to these issues, sources and topology of reionization remain outstanding problems in astrophysics.

• Galaxy (specially LAEs)-21cm correlations will be invaluable in shedding light on the reionization state (fraction of neutral hydrogen) and topology.

• 25 deg2 surveys (Subaru/WFIRST) targeting intermediate luminosity LAEs most optimal - trade-off between volume and Lya luminosity limit.

• Contact Pratika Dayal, Andrea Ferrara or Erik Zackrisson for comments for/ questions for/join the SKA EoR Synergy group.