

THE ROLE OF RADIATION PRESSURE IN HIGH-Z DWARF GALAXIES

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OUTLINE

- Enzo+Moray: Adaptive ray tracing and merging
- Pop III → II transition and dwarf galaxy formation
- The role of radiation pressure in dwarf galaxies



RAY TRACING

RT Equation along a Ray

- Consider point sources of radiation
- Initially, the radiation flux is split equally among all rays.

$$\frac{1}{c}\frac{\partial P}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial P}{\partial r} = -\kappa P$$



• P := photon flux in the ray

Adaptive Ray Tracing (Enzo+Moray)

- Ray directions and splitting based on HEALPix (Gorski et al. 2005)
- Coupled with (magneto-) hydrodynamics of Enzo
- Rays are split into 4 child rays when the solid angle is large compared to the cell face area
- Well-suited for AMR
- Can calculate the photo-ionization rates so that the method is photon conserving.
- MPI/OpenMP hybrid parallelized.



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Adaptive Ray Tracing (Enzo+Moray)

- H + He ionization (heating)
- X-rays (secondary ionizations)
- Lyman-Werner transfer (based on Draine & Bertoldi shielding function)
- Choice between energy discretization and general spectral shapes (column density lookup tables, see C²-Ray)
- See Mirocha+ (2012) for optimized choices for energy bins.
- Radiation pressure from continuum
- Choice between c = Ac, ∞
- Can delete a ray when its flux drops below some fraction of the UVB for local UV feedback.



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SIMULATION SETUP: POP III → II TRANSITION AND GALAXY FORMATION

- Small-scale (I comoving Mpc³) AMR radiation hydro simulation with Pop II+III star formation and feedback (1000 cm⁻³ threshold)
- Self-consistent Population III to II transition at 10-4 Z_{\odot}
- Coupled radiative transfer (ray tracing: optically thin and thick regimes)
- 1800 M_☉ mass resolution, 0.1 pc maximal spatial resolution
- Assume a Kroupa-like IMF for Pop III stars with mass-dependent luminosities, lifetimes, and endpoints.

$$f(\log M) = M^{-1.3} \exp\left[-\left(\frac{M_{\rm char}}{M}\right)^{1.6}\right], \quad M_{\rm char} = 100 M_{\odot}$$



10 kpc



Pop II Metals



Density

FoV = 1 c.m. Mpc





MASS-TO-LIGHT RATIOS



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- Isolated halo (8e7
 M_☉) at z=7
- Quiet recent merger history
- Disky, not irregular
- Steady increase in
 [Z/H] then plateau
- No stars with [Z/H]
 -3 from Pop III
 metal enrichment







Most massive halo
 (10⁹ M_☉) at z=7

- Undergoing a major merger
- Bi-modal metallicity distribution function
- 2% of stars with [Z/H] < -3
- Induced SF makes
 less metal-poor stars
 formed near SN
 blastwaves



Z-L RELATION IN LOCAL DWARF GALAXIES

- Average metallicity in a 10⁶ L_☉ galaxy is [Fe/H]
 ~ -2
- Useful constraint of high-redshift galaxies, if we assume that this metal-poor population was formed during reionization.



VARYING THE SUBGRID MODELS

$M_{char} = 40 M_{\odot}$	No H ₂ cooling (i.e. minihalos)
$Z_{crit} = 10^{-5} \text{ and } 10^{-6} Z_{\odot}$	No Pop III SF
Redshift dependent Lyman-Werner background (LWB)	Supersonic streaming velocities
LWB + Metal cooling	LWB + Metal cooling + enhanced metal ejecta (y=0.025)
LWB + Metal cooling + radiation pressure	

STAR FORMATION RATES



RADIATION PRESSURE FROM CONTINUUM ABSORPTION

 Acceleration is added to the cell from the absorbed radiation (hydrogen- and helium-ionizing and X-rays).

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RADIATION PRESSURE FROM CONTINUUM ABSORPTION

- Radiation pressure on dust grains increases the momentum transfer by the number of absorptions for a single photon, *f*_{trap}. For many scatterings, *f*_{trap} ~ v/c.
- Krumholz & Thompson (2012) found that $f_{trap} \approx \Sigma a_{grav}/(F_o/c) 1$ and is lower than the IR optical depth.
- We do not consider dust in this calculation, but $\tau_{\text{IR}} \ll 1$ in this simulation.

EFFECTS OF RADIATION PRESSURE $M_{VIR} = 3 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}$ GALAXY AT z = 8



EFFECTS OF RADIATION PRESSURE AVG. METALLICITIES IN DENSITY-TEMPERATURE SPACE



BASELINE AT z = 8



Main Limitation:

lacking Metal cooling Soft UV background

+ METAL COOLING & SOFT UVB



SOFT UVB + METAL COOLING + RAD. PRESSURE



EFFECTS OF RADIATION PRESSURE METALLICITY DISTRIBUTION FUNCTIONS



Feedback from radiation pressure more effectively disperses metal-rich ejecta and produces a galaxy on the massmetallicity relation Slice of acceleration due to momentum transfer from ionizing photons only, i.e. not including dust opacity



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0.01

0.1

 $10^{6} 10^{-4}$ 10^{-24} 10^{-23} 10^{-22} 10^{3} 10^{-2} 10^{4} 10^{5} 10^{0} $Density(g/cm^3)$ Temperature(K) Metallicity($Z \odot$)

EFFECTS OF RADIATION PRESSURE RADIAL VELOCITIES (OVERCOOLING → DECREASED SF)



- Reverses infall, increases turbulent motions, and decreases SF in the inner 100 pc.
- In rad. pressure simulations, $v_{\rm rms} \sim V_c$ compared to 25% without it.

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SUMMARY

- Pop III supernova feedback enriches the first galaxies to a nearly uniform $10^{-3} Z_{\odot}$ but is the demise of Pop III stars.
- The gas depletion, IGM pre-heating, and chemical enrichment all have impacts on the properties of the first galaxies.
- Radiation pressure plays an important role in regulating star formation in the first galaxies through driving turbulence and allowing SN feedback drive outflows more efficiently.