

# DIPOLAR DARK MATTER IN COSMOLOGY

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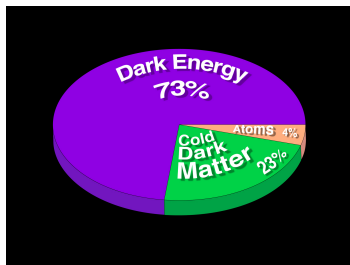
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# Outline of the talk

- 1 Phenomenology of dark matter
- 2 Modified Newtonian dynamics
- 3 Modified gravity theories
- 4 Modified matter approach
- 5 Dipolar dark matter and dark energy
- 6 Agreement with  $\Lambda$ -CDM and MOND

# PHENOMENOLOGY OF DARK MATTER

# Mass-energy content of the Universe



The total mass-energy of the Universe is made of

- 1  $\Omega_{\text{de}} = 73\%$  of **dark energy**, maybe in the form of a cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ , as measured from the Hubble diagram of supernovas
- 2  $\Omega_{\text{dm}} = 23\%$  of **non-baryonic dark matter**, a perfect fluid without pressure whose nature is unknown
- 3  $\Omega_{\text{b}} = 4\%$  of **baryonic matter**, measured by the Big Bang nucleosynthesis and from CMB fluctuations

# The concordance model $\Lambda$ -CDM

This model brilliantly accounts for

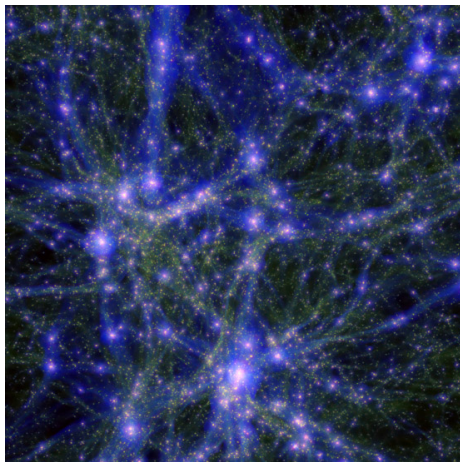
- 1 the mass discrepancy between the dynamical and luminous masses of clusters of galaxies
- 2 the precise measurements of the anisotropies of the cosmic microwave background (CMB)
- 3 the formation and growth of large scale structures as seen in deep redshift and weak lensing surveys
- 4 the fainting of the light curves of distant supernovae

DM appears to be made by non-relativistic (cold) particles at large scales

Candidates include [\[Bertone, Hooper & Silk, 2004\]](#)

- the neutralino predicted by super-symmetric extensions of the standard model
- the axion introduced in an attempt to solve the problem of CP violation
- Kaluza-Klein states predicted by models with extra dimensions
- ...

# Cosmic $N$ -body simulations



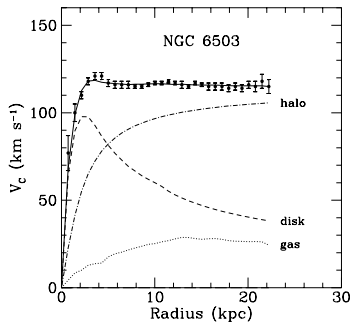
Thanks to high precision  $N$ -body simulations in cosmology the model  $\Lambda$ -CDM can be extrapolated and tested at the smaller scale of galaxies

# Problems of CDM with galactic halos

The CDM paradigm faces severe challenges when compared to observations at galactic scales [McGaugh & Sanders 2004; Famaey 2007]

- 1 Prediction of numerous but unseen satellites of large galaxies
- 2 Generic formation of cusps of DM in central regions of galaxies while the rotation curves seem to favor a constant density profile in the core
- 3 Evidence that tidal dwarf galaxies are dominated by DM contrary to CDM predictions [Bournaud *et al.* 2007; Gentile *et al.* 2007]
- 4 Failure to explain in a natural way Milgrom's law, that DM arises only in regions where gravity falls below some **universal acceleration scale  $a_0$**
- 5 Difficulty at explaining in a natural way the **flat rotation curves** of galaxies and the **Tully-Fisher relation**

# Rotation curves of galaxies are flat



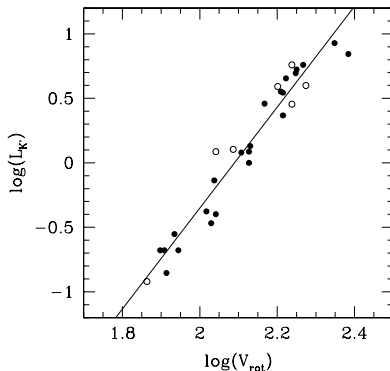
For a circular orbit 
$$v(r) = \sqrt{\frac{GM(r)}{r}}$$

The fact that  $v(r)$  is approximately constant implies that beyond the optical disk

$$M_{\text{halo}}(r) \approx r \quad \rho_{\text{halo}}(r) \approx \frac{1}{r^2}$$



# The Tully-Fisher empirical relation [Tully & Fisher 1977]



The relation between the asymptotic flat velocity and the luminosity of spirals is

$$v_{\text{flat}} \propto L^{1/4}$$

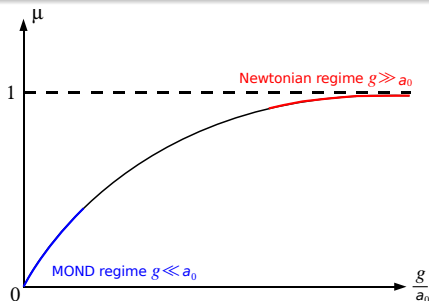
# MODIFIED NEWTONIAN DYNAMICS

# Modified Newtonian dynamics [Milgrom 1983]

MOND states that there is no dark matter and we witness a **violation of the fundamental law of gravity** in the regime of weak gravity

The Newtonian gravitational field is modified in an *ad hoc* way

$$\mu\left(\frac{g}{a_0}\right) \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{g}_{\text{Newton}}$$



In the MOND regime we have  $\mu = g/a_0 + \mathcal{O}(g^2)$

# Recovering flat rotation curves and the Tully-Fisher law

- ① For a spherical mass  $g_N = \frac{GM}{r^2}$  hence  $g \approx \frac{\sqrt{GM a_0}}{r}$
- ② For circular motion  $\frac{v^2}{r} = g$  thus  $v$  is constant and we get

$$v_{\text{flat}} \approx (GM a_0)^{1/4}$$

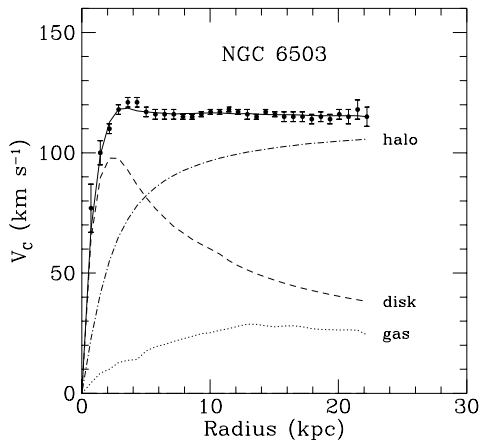
- ③ Assuming  $L/M = \text{const}$  one naturally explains the Tully-Fisher relation
- ④ The numerical value of the critical acceleration is measured as

$$a_0 \approx 1.2 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}^2$$

This value of  $a_0$  is very close to the acceleration scale associated with the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$

$$a_0 \approx 1.3 a_\Lambda \quad \text{where} \quad a_\Lambda \equiv \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \frac{\Lambda}{3} \right)^{1/2}$$

# The MOND fit of galactic rotation curves



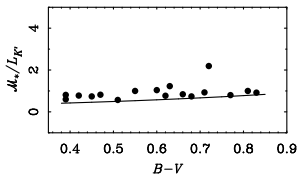
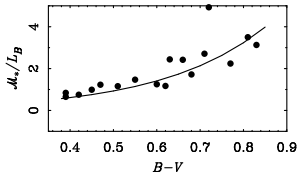
← the solid line is the MOND fit

Many galaxies are accurately fitted with MOND [Sanders 1996, McGaugh & de Blok 1998]

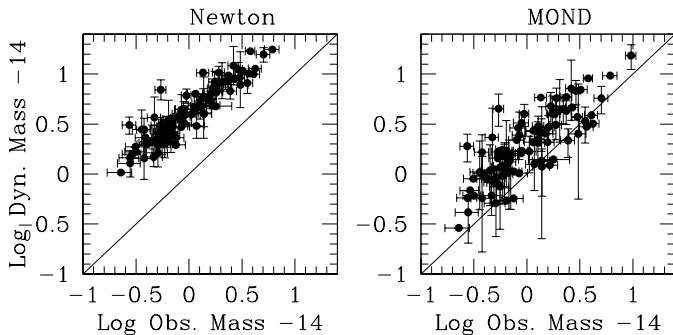
# Fit of the mass-to-luminosity ratio

The fit of rotation curves is actually a one-parameter fit. The mass-to-luminosity ratio  $M/L$  of each galaxy is adjusted (and is therefore measured by MOND)

$M/L$  shows the same trend with colour as is implied by models of population synthesis [Sanders & Verheijen 1998]

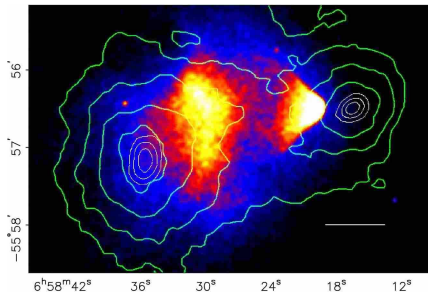
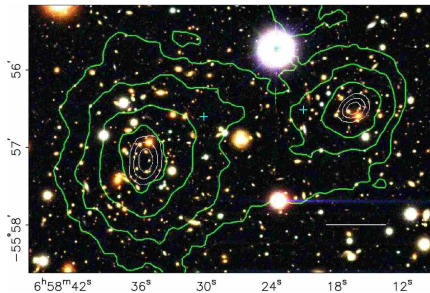


# Problem with galaxy clusters [Gerbal, Durret et al 1992, Sanders 1999]



The mass discrepancy is  $\approx 4 - 5$  with Newton and  $\approx 2$  with MOND

# Collision of two clusters of galaxies [Clowe *et al* 2006]



The bullet cluster and more generally X-ray emitting galaxy clusters can be fitted with MOND and a component of baryonic dark matter and hot/warm neutrinos

[Angus, Famaey & Buote 2008]



# MODIFIED GRAVITY THEORIES

# Different approaches to the DM problem

Faced with the “unreasonable effectiveness” of MOND, three solutions are possible

- 1 **Standard**: MOND could be explained within the CDM paradigm
- 2 **Modified Gravity**: There is a fundamental modification of the law of gravity in a regime of weak gravity (this is the traditional approach of MOND and its relativistic extensions like TeVeS)
- 3 **Modified Matter**: The law of gravity is not modified but DM is endowed with special properties which make it able to explain the phenomenology of MOND

# Modified gravity or modified matter?

We consider that the Standard scenario (CDM) is excluded by observations

- To solve the problems of CDM in galactic halos one must invoke complicated astrophysical processes which have to be fine tuned for each galaxies
- No convincing mechanism has been found to incorporate in a natural way the acceleration scale  $a_0$  in the simulated CDM halos

Only the Modified Gravity and Modified Matter approaches remain

- In these two solutions we shall have to explain **why DM seems to be made of particles at cosmological scales**

# Modified gravity theory

- The MOND equation can be rewritten as the modified Poisson equation

$$\nabla \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\mu \left( \frac{g}{a_0} \right)}_{\text{MOND function}} \mathbf{g} \right] = -4\pi G \rho_b$$

where  $\mathbf{g} = -\nabla U$  is the gravitational field and  $\rho_b$  the density of ordinary matter

- This equation is derivable from the Lagrangian [Bekenstein & Milgrom 1984]

$$L = \frac{a_0^2}{8\pi} f \left( \frac{|\nabla U|^2}{a_0^2} \right) + \rho U$$

where  $f$  is related to the MOND function by  $f'(x) = \mu(\sqrt{x})$ .

# Scalar-tensor theory [Bekenstein & Sanders 1994]

- 1 The tensor part is the usual Einstein-Hilbert action

$$L_g = \frac{1}{16\pi} R[g, \partial g, \partial^2 g]$$

- 2 The scalar field is given by an quadratic kinetic term

$$L_\phi = \frac{a_0^2}{8\pi} F \left( \frac{g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi}{a_0^2} \right)$$

- 3 The matter fields are universally coupled to gravity

$$L_m = L_m \left[ \Psi, \underbrace{\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} \equiv e^{2\phi} g_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{physical metric}} \right]$$

- Light signals do not feel the presence of the scalar field  $\phi$  because the physical metric  $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$  is conformally related to the Einstein frame metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$
- Since we observe huge amounts of dark matter by gravitational lensing (weak and strong) this theory is not viable

# Tensor-vector-scalar theory [Bekenstein 2004, Sanders 2005]

- 1 The tensor part is the Einstein-Hilbert action  $L_g$
- 2 The vector field part for  $W_{\mu\rho} = \partial_\mu V_\nu - \partial_\nu V_\mu$  is

$$L_V = -\frac{1}{32\pi} \left[ K \underbrace{g^{\mu\nu} g^{\rho\sigma} W_{\mu\rho} W_{\nu\sigma}}_{\text{standard spin-1 action}} - 2\lambda \underbrace{\left( g^{\mu\nu} V_\mu V_\nu + 1 \right)}_{\text{tells that } V^\mu \text{ is time-like and unitary}} \right]$$

- 3 The scalar action reads

$$L_\phi = -\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{\left( g^{\mu\nu} - V^\mu V^\nu \right)}_{\text{dynamical scalar field } \phi} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - \underbrace{\frac{\sigma^4}{4\ell^2} F(k\sigma^2)}_{\text{non-dynamical scalar field } \sigma}$$

- 4 Matter fields are coupled to the non-conformally related physical metric

$$\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = e^{-2\phi} (g_{\mu\nu} + V_\mu V_\nu) - e^{2\phi} V_\mu V_\nu$$

This theory has evolved recently toward Einstein-æther like theories [Jacobson & Mattingly 2001; Zlosnik, Ferreira & Starkman 2007; Halle, Zhao & Li 2008]

## MODIFIED MATTER APPROACH

# Why modified matter?

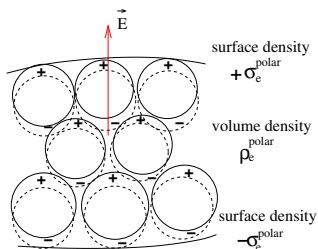
- 1 Keep the standard law of gravity namely general relativity
- 2 Use the phenomenology of MOND to guess what could be the nature of DM

This approach is based on a **striking analogy** between

- MOND which takes the form of a **modified Poisson equation**
- The electrostatics of dielectric media described by a **modified Gauss equation**



# The electric field in a dielectric



- The atoms in a dielectric are modelled by electric dipole moments

$$\mathbf{p}_e = q \boldsymbol{\xi}$$

- The polarization vector is

$$\mathbf{P}_e = n \mathbf{p}_e$$

Density of polarization charges:  $\rho_e^{\text{polar}} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{P}_e$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E} = \frac{\rho_e + \rho_e^{\text{polar}}}{\epsilon_0} \iff \nabla \cdot \left( \overbrace{\epsilon_0 \mathbf{E} + \mathbf{P}_e}^{\text{D-field}} \right) = \rho_e$$

The polarization vector is aligned with the electric field

$$\mathbf{P}_e = \epsilon_0 \chi_e(\mathbf{E}) \mathbf{E}$$

where  $\chi_e(\mathbf{E})$  denotes the coefficient of electric susceptibility

# Interpretation of MOND [Blanchet 2006]

The MOND equation in the form of a modified Poisson equation

$$\nabla \cdot \left[ \underbrace{\mu \left( \frac{g}{a_0} \right)}_{\text{MOND function}} \mathbf{g} \right] = -4\pi G \rho_b$$

is **formally analogous** to the equation of electrostatics inside a dielectric. We pose

$$\mu = 1 + \underbrace{\chi(g)}_{\text{gravitational susceptibility}} \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{\mathbf{\Pi}}_{\text{gravitational polarization}} = -\frac{\chi}{4\pi G} \mathbf{g}$$

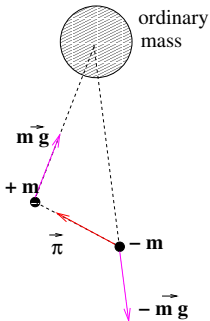
The MOND equation is equivalent to

$$\Delta U = -4\pi G (\rho_b + \rho_{\text{polar}})$$

In this interpretation the Newtonian law of gravity is not violated but we are postulating a new form of DM consisting of “**polarization masses**” with density

$$\rho_{\text{polar}} = -\nabla \cdot \mathbf{\Pi}$$

# Microscopic description of the dipolar medium



The digravitational medium is modelled by individual dipole moments say

$$\pi = m \xi$$

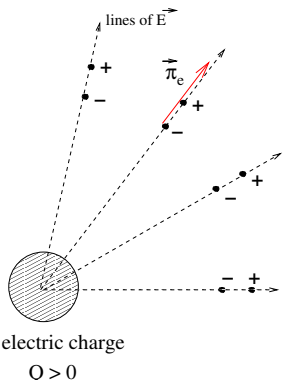
$$\Pi = n \pi$$

Suppose that the dipole consists of a particle doublet with

- opposite gravitational masses  $m_g = \pm m$
- positive inertial masses  $m_i = m$

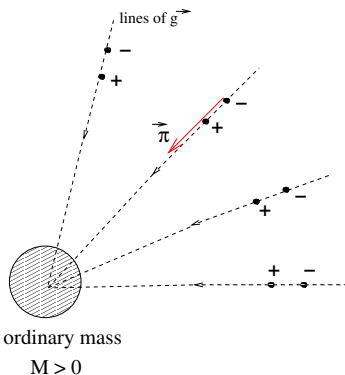
- The dipoles tend to align in the same direction as the gravitational field thus  $\chi < 0$  which is exactly what MOND predicts
- Since the constituents of the dipole will repel each other we need to invoke a non-gravitational force (i.e. a **fifth force**) to stabilize the dipolar medium

# Electric screening versus gravitational anti-screening



Screening by polarization charges

$$\chi_e > 0$$



Anti-screening by polarization masses

$$\chi < 0$$

# Non viability of this model

The quasi-Newtonian model

- Suggests that the gravitational analogue of the electric polarization is possible
- Yields a simple and natural explanation of the MOND equation
- Requires the existence of a new non-gravitational force

## BUT THIS MODEL IS NOT VIABLE

- Is not relativistic
- Involves negative gravitational masses so violates the equivalence principle

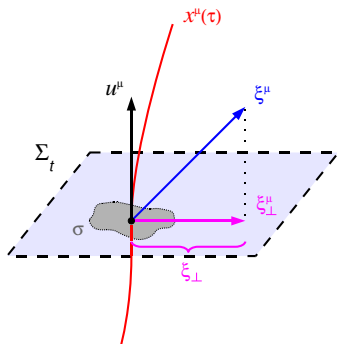
# DIPOLAR DARK MATTER AND DARK ENERGY

# Dipolar fluid in general relativity

The matter action in standard GR is of the type

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L [J^\mu, \xi^\mu, \dot{\xi}^\mu, g_{\mu\nu}]$$

where the **current density**  $J^\mu$  and the **dipole moment**  $\xi^\mu$  are two independent dynamical variables



- The current density  $J^\mu = \sigma u^\mu$  is conserved

$$\nabla_\mu J^\mu = 0$$

- The covariant time derivative is denoted

$$\dot{\xi}^\mu \equiv \frac{D\xi^\mu}{d\tau} = u^\nu \nabla_\nu \xi^\mu$$

# Lagrangian for the dipolar fluid [Blanchet & Le Tiec 2008; 2009]

We propose three terms

$$L = -\sigma + J^\mu \dot{\xi}_\mu - \mathcal{W}(\Pi_\perp)$$

- 1 A mass term  $\sigma$  in an ordinary sense (like for ordinary CDM)
- 2 An interaction term between the fluid's mass current  $J^\mu = \sigma u^\mu$  and the dipole moment
- 3 A potential term  $\mathcal{W}$  describing an internal force and depending on the norm of the polarization  $\Pi_\perp = \sigma \xi_\perp$

One easily proves that the only dynamical degrees of freedom of the dipole moment are the **space-like projection orthogonal to the velocity**

$$\xi_\perp^\mu = \perp_\nu^\mu \xi^\nu \quad \text{where the projector is} \quad \perp_\nu^\mu = \delta_\nu^\mu + u^\mu u_\nu$$



# Equations of motion and evolution

Variation with respect to  $\xi^\mu$

Equation of motion of the dipolar fluid

$$\underbrace{\dot{u}^\mu = -\mathcal{F}^\mu}_{\text{non-geodesic motion}} \quad \text{where} \quad \underbrace{\mathcal{F}^\mu \equiv \hat{\xi}_\perp^\mu \mathcal{W}'}_{\text{dipolar internal force}}$$

Variation with respect to  $J^\mu$

Evolution equation of the dipole moment

$$\dot{\Omega}^\mu = \frac{1}{\sigma} \nabla^\mu (\mathcal{W} - \Pi_\perp \mathcal{W}') - \underbrace{\xi_\perp^\nu R^\mu{}_{\rho\nu\sigma} u^\rho u^\sigma}_{\text{coupling to Riemann curvature}}$$

$$\text{where} \quad \Omega^\mu \equiv \dot{\xi}_\perp^\mu + u^\mu (1 + 2\xi_\perp \mathcal{W}')$$

# Stress-energy tensor

Variation with respect to  $g_{\mu\nu}$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \Omega^{(\mu} J^{\nu)} \quad \Leftarrow \text{monopolar DM}$$

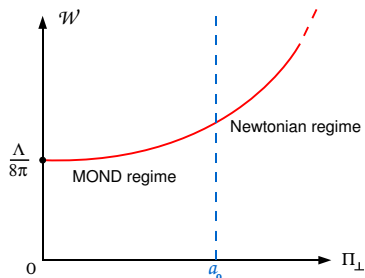
$$-\nabla_\rho \left( \left[ \Pi_\perp^\rho u^{(\mu} - u^\rho \Pi_\perp^{(\mu} \right] u^{\nu)} \right) \quad \Leftarrow \text{dipolar DM}$$

$$-g^{\mu\nu} (\mathcal{W} - \Pi_\perp \mathcal{W}') \quad \Leftarrow \text{DE}$$

The DM mass density is made of a monopolar term  $\sigma$  plus a dipolar term  $-\nabla_\mu \Pi_\perp^\mu$  which appears as the **relativistic analogue of the polarization mass density**

$$u_\mu u_\nu T^{\mu\nu} = \underbrace{\sigma - \nabla_\mu \Pi_\perp^\mu}_{\text{DM energy density}} + \underbrace{\mathcal{W} - \Pi_\perp \mathcal{W}'}_{\text{DE}}$$

# The internal potential



The potential  $\mathcal{W}$  is **phenomenologically** determined through third order

$$\mathcal{W} = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi} + 2\pi \Pi_{\perp}^2 + \frac{16\pi^2}{3a_0} \Pi_{\perp}^3 + \mathcal{O}(\Pi_{\perp}^4)$$

- The minimum of that potential is the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$  and the third-order deviation from the minimum contains the MOND scale  $a_0$
- In this unification scheme the natural order of magnitude of the cosmological constant should be comparable with  $a_0$

# Order of magnitude of the cosmological constant

- 1 Introduce a purely numerical coefficient  $\alpha$  such that

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha} \left( \frac{\Lambda}{3} \right)^{1/2} \quad (\text{i.e. } a_0 = \frac{a_\Lambda}{\alpha})$$

- 2 Write the potential function as  $\mathcal{W} = \frac{3\pi a_0^2}{2} f\left(\frac{\Pi_\perp}{a_0}\right)$  with

$$f(x) = \underbrace{\alpha^2 + \frac{4}{3}x^2 + \frac{32\pi}{9}x^3 + \mathcal{O}(x^4)}_{\text{some "universal" function of } x \equiv \Pi_\perp/a_0}$$

- 3 The numerical coefficients in  $f(x)$  are expected to be of the order of one, hence the cosmological constant should be of the order of

$$\Lambda \sim a_0^2$$

in good agreement with observations (which give  $\alpha \approx 0.8$ )

# AGREEMENT WITH $\Lambda$ -CDM AND MOND

# Cosmological perturbation at large scales

Consider a linear perturbation of the FLRW background. Since the dipole moment is **space-like**, it will break the spatial isotropy of the background, and must belong to the first-order perturbation

$$\xi_{\perp}^{\mu} = \mathcal{O}(1)$$

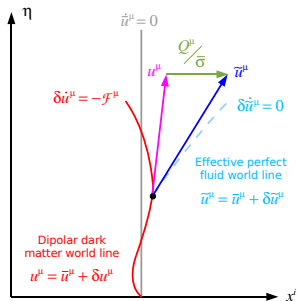
The stress-energy tensor reads  $T^{\mu\nu} = T_{\text{de}}^{\mu\nu} + T_{\text{dm}}^{\mu\nu}$  where

- ① the DE is given by the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$
- ② the DM takes the form of a **perfect fluid with zero pressure**

$$T_{\text{dm}}^{\mu\nu} = \rho \tilde{u}^{\mu} \tilde{u}^{\nu} + \mathcal{O}(2)$$

Here  $\tilde{u}^{\mu}$  denotes an effective four-velocity field and  $\rho \equiv \sigma - \nabla_{\mu} \Pi_{\perp}^{\mu}$  is the energy density of the DM fluid

# Agreement with the $\Lambda$ -CDM scenario



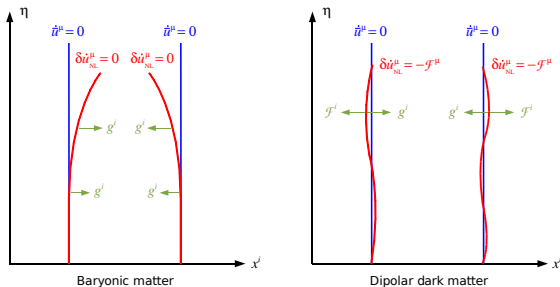
The dipolar fluid is undistinguishable from

- **standard DE** (a cosmological constant)
- **standard CDM** (a pressureless perfect fluid)

at the level of first-order cosmological perturbations

Adjusting  $\Lambda$  so that  $\Omega_{\text{de}} \simeq 0.73$  and  $\bar{\sigma}$  so that  $\Omega_{\text{dm}} \simeq 0.23$  the model is consistent with CMB fluctuations

# Weak clustering of dipolar DM



- Baryonic matter follows the geodesic equation  $\dot{u}^\mu = 0$ , therefore collapses in regions of overdensity
- Dipolar dark matter obeys  $\dot{u}^\mu = -\mathcal{F}^\mu$ , with the internal force  $\mathcal{F}$  balancing the gravitational field  $g$  created by an overdensity

The mass density of dipolar dark matter in a galaxy at low redshift should be smaller than the baryonic density and maybe close to its mean cosmological value

$$\sigma \approx \bar{\sigma} \ll \rho_b \quad \text{and} \quad v \approx 0$$



# Non-relativistic limit of the model

The Lagrangian becomes in the limit  $c \rightarrow +\infty$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{NR}} = \sigma \left( \frac{\mathbf{v}^2}{2} + U + \mathbf{g} \cdot \boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \frac{d\boldsymbol{\xi}_{\perp}}{dt} \right) - \mathcal{W}(\boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\perp})$$

where we recognize the gravitational analogue  $\mathbf{g} \cdot \boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\perp}$  of the coupling of the polarization field to an exterior field

- 1 The equation of motion reads

$$\frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = \mathbf{g} - \mathcal{F}$$

- 2 The gravitational equation is

$$\nabla \cdot (\mathbf{g} - 4\pi \boldsymbol{\Pi}_{\perp}) = -4\pi (\rho_{\text{b}} + \sigma)$$

# Recovering MOND in a galaxy at low red-shift

Crucial use is made of the weak clustering of dipolar DM

- Using  $\mathbf{v} \approx \mathbf{0}$  in the equation of motion

$$\mathbf{g} = \mathcal{F} = \hat{\Pi}_{\perp} \mathcal{W}' \implies \text{the dipolar medium is polarized}$$

- Using  $\sigma \ll \rho_b$  in the field equation

$$\nabla \cdot \left[ \mathbf{g} - 4\pi \mathbf{\Pi}_{\perp} \right] = -4\pi \rho_b \implies \text{the galaxy appears essentially baryonic}$$

Hence the MOND equation is recovered with MOND function  $\mu = 1 + \chi$  such that

$$\mathbf{g} = \hat{\Pi}_{\perp} \mathcal{W}' \iff \mathbf{\Pi}_{\perp} = -\frac{\chi(\mathbf{g})}{4\pi} \mathbf{g}$$

# Conclusions

## This model

- ① explains the phenomenology of MOND by the physical process of gravitational polarization
- ② recovers the successful standard cosmological model  $\Lambda$ -CDM at linear perturbation order
- ③ makes a unification between dark energy in the form of  $\Lambda$  and dark matter à la MOND (with the interesting outcome that  $\Lambda \sim a_0^2$ )
- ④ **but** describes the dipolar medium in an effective way and is not related to microscopic fundamental physics

## The model should be further tested in cosmology by

- ① investigating second-order cosmological perturbations
- ② computing the non-linear growth of perturbations
- ③ testing the intermediate scale of galaxy clusters