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The ALFALFA Group HI Mass Function

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Well fit by a Schechter Function:

$$\phi(M_{\rm H\,{\scriptscriptstyle I}}) = \ln(10) \phi_* \left(\frac{M_{\rm H\,{\scriptscriptstyle I}}}{M_*}\right)^{\alpha+1} e^{-\left(\frac{M_{\rm H\,{\scriptscriptstyle I}}}{M_*}\right)}$$

Slope
Knee

ALFALFA (Jones et al 2018)

Why is the HI Mass Function important?



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Redshift

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Environmental dependence on the HIMF?



- Depends on your sample, definition of environment, and the scales which these probe. (e.g. Rosenberg & Schneider 2002; Zwaan et al 2005; Springob et al 2005; Moorman et al 2014; Jones et al 2016)
- Virgo Cluster HIMF apparently flattened compared to surroundings: gas processing?



Galaxy groups: the primary site of galaxy evolution



 50-60% of galaxies live in group environment (Huchra & Geller, 1982; Crook et al 2004; Berlind et al 2006, 2009; Yang et al 2007, 2012; Tempel et al 2014; etc)

 Low velocity dispersion, high galaxy density —> opportunity for strong interactions and gas processing





Freeland et al (2009)

Group HI Mass Function



- Ursa Major; 32 HI detected galaxies (Verheijen et al 2001)
- Canes Venatici; 69 HI detected galaxies (Kovac et al 2005)
- 5 groups; 33 HI detected galaxies (Freeland et al 2009)
- 6 groups; 61 HI detected galaxies (Pisano et al 2011)



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SDSS Optical Group Catalogs (n≥3 members)



Friends-of-Friends	Iterative Halo Finders
 Berlind et al (2006, 2009) SDSS DR7 All M_r<-18 Volume limited 0.02<z<0.42< li=""> 1462 opt grps; 2346 HI gals </z<0.42<>	 Yang et al (2007, 2012) SDSS DR12 Centrals M_r<-19.5 Complete to z<0.08 2317 opt grps; 2753 HI gals
 Tempel et al (2014) SDSS DR10 All M_r<-18 Volume limited z<0.45 4023 opt grps; 1900 HI gals 	Lim et al (2017) • SDSS DR13 • No mag limit • Complete z<0.05; M _{grp} ~10 ^{11.5} • 3770 opt grps; 2043 HI gals

Group HIMF Vmax Method





Details and corrections to the Group HIMF



 Sensitivity to HI sources depend on both their flux and velocity width; broad sources are harder to detect.

 Vmax & Veff methods correct for this if your sample extends to d=0 Mpc because it samples the full distribution of velocity widths at a given HI mass.

 Group catalog is a collection of galaxy subsamples: must correct for

Large scale structure along the line of sight produces a bias

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Vmax, velocity width, LSS correction for group galaxies



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- Velocity width correct for not fully sampling mass-width distribution
- Large Scale Structure correction (a relative correction from the groups themselves):
 - Correct for overdensity of groups in shells dr=4 Mpc
 - "Group volume" weighted average number of groups per bin

Max detection distance

n_{grps}∝r²dr

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Large Scale Structure Correction



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Lim Group HI Mass Function





Group HIMF is the sum of groups of range of halo masses:

- High mass end is dominated by galaxies in more massive halos
- Low mass end is dominated by nearby low mass groups

Preliminary Results of the Group HI Mass Function



Investigating the HIMF in 4 different SDSS group catalogs.

- Highlights differences between the group catalogs & their shortcomings.
- Number of groups and galaxies increased by ~2-3 orders of magnitude over previous studies.
 - 2000-3500 galaxy groups, with ~2000 HI galaxies.
- Group HIMF M* is dominated by galaxies that live in high mass groups.
- Low mass slope appears flatter than global HIMF.
 - Dominated by galaxies in low mass groups