HI Intensity Mapping

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HI Fluctuations at Large Redshifts: I–Visibility correlation

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Power Spectrum and Visibility Correlation

$$\langle V_{\nu}(\mathbf{U}) V_{\nu+\Delta\nu}^{*}(\mathbf{U}) \rangle = \frac{\left[\bar{I}_{\nu} \theta_{0}^{2} \right]^{2}}{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} dk_{\parallel} \frac{P_{\mathrm{HI}}(k)}{r_{\nu}^{2} \theta_{o}^{2}} \cos(k_{\parallel} r_{\nu}^{'} \Delta \nu) \times \\ \times \left[1 + \beta \frac{k_{\parallel}^{2}}{k^{2}} \right]^{2} \text{ with } k = \sqrt{k_{\parallel}^{2} + (2\pi/r_{\nu})^{2} U^{2}}.$$
 (13)

Visibility Correlation

- Intensity mapping is a term used to describe detection of HI via the statistical relation between the power spectrum and visibility correlation.
- The main theoretical challange is to estimate the power spectrum of fluctuations in HI.
- Predictions for the post-reionization universe were given in Khandai et al (2010) and Wyithe et al (2010) who used different approaches to arrive at the same result, namely that the bias and non-linear effects boost the small scale power in HI fluctuations by a significant amount.
- All other predictions are based on linear evolution of fluctuations.

P(k) at High Redshifts

H I as a probe of the large-scale structure in the post-reionization universe

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Implications of High Bias

- Detection of rare objects may be as efficient an option.
- However, quantitative understanding and cosmological parameters can only be recovered from the visibility correlation.
- One needs to explore implications of nonlinearity and high bias.

Linear Power Spectrum



Constant Bias



Scale Dependent Bias



Adding Realism



HI Intensity and SKA Precursors

- Modelling signal is not very difficult.
- Foregrounds pose a serious challange.
- A thorough understanding of instruments is also essential.
- (Added later): Upgraded ORT is the best instrument for detection of HI at z ~ 3 till SKA mid comes online.