# Persistence alpha-shape topology of the LSS

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# Introduction to alpha-shapes

The key aspects of the Cosmic Web related t o the processes that shape the LSS:

Hierarchical structure formation Multi-scale character

Anisotropic collapse Web-like network of walls, filaments & voi ds



skewness of the density distribution

The void First evidence of another universe?

# Introduction to alpha-shapes

#### Well established tools for study the properties of LSS COSMIC WEB

Statistical measures: Clustering measures (N-point correlation functions), density distribution functions

Topological characteristic: Genus statistic

Geometric characteristics: Minkowsky functionals

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# Introduction to alpha-shapes

A new approach: Exploit the topological information contained in the Delaunay Tessellat ions of the galaxy/halo/density distribution

# Alpha (a)Shapes

The idea was introduced by H. Edelsbrunne r & collab. (1983,1994)

It consists of a description of intuitive notio n of the shape of a discrete point set



Courtesy of H. Edelsbrunner & R. van de Weijgaert

## Sensitivity of Delaunay Tessellation to the multi-scale nature of the Cosmic Web

This property points to exploiting this natural p operty of the Delaunay **Tessellations to explore** the topology of the cos mic matter distribution





#### Alpha Shapes of LSS fr om cosmological N-bod y simulations

# The Betti numbers

The set of alpha-shapes defined with specified weight ing parameter **a** for a finite set of points can be furthe r used to define the Betti numbers. The Betti numbers provide quantitative characterization of the underlying topology defined by this set of points.

**β**<sub>0</sub> -

the number of independent components the number of tunnels The Betti numbers & the genus

Relationship between Betti Numbers & Minkowski Functio nals via Euler characteristic of mass distribution:

The Genus & the Euler characteristic: For a body with c components the genus specifies the han dles on surface and is related to the Euler characteristic v ia:

$$g=c-\frac{1}{2}\chi$$

Now the Euler characteristic of manifolds is alternatin g sum of the Betti numbers:

 $\chi = 2(\beta_0 - \beta_1 + \beta_2)$ 



















**THE REBEL MODEL a case study for Betti cosmological analysis** We allow for extra piece of a new physics in the DM sector. DM particles now interact additionally by exchange of massless scalar. This is dynamically screen out on constant co-moving distance.

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} (\partial \phi)^2 + \bar{\Psi}_s i \nabla \Psi_s + \bar{\Psi}_+ i \nabla \Psi_+ + \bar{\Psi}_- i \nabla \Psi_- - y_s \phi \bar{\Psi}_s \Psi_s - (m_+ + y_+ \phi) \bar{\Psi}_+ \Psi_- - (m_- - y_- \phi) \bar{\Psi}_- \Psi_-,$$

Model developed & based on a series of articles by Farrar & Peebl es and Gubser & Peebles in 2003-2005.



Phenomenological formulation of the ReBEL model

New gravitational potential between DM particles:

$$\Phi(\mathbf{r}) = -\frac{Gm}{r} \left( 1 + \beta e^{-r/r_s} \right) , \qquad (1)$$

New force law for DM particles:

$$F_{DM} = -\frac{Gm^2}{r^2} \left[ 1 + \beta \left( 1 + \frac{r}{r_s} \right) e^{-r/r_s} \right]$$
(2)

#### The ReBEL - daRk Breaking Equivalence principLe

Extra physics in DM sector! DM now interacts additionally by exchange of a massless scalar, this interaction is dynamically Yukawa-like screened out with a screening length growing with the Universe. Two free model parameters:

THE REBEL MODEL

- β a dimensionless measure of the strength of scalar interactions compared to usual gravity,
- r<sub>s</sub> the dynamical screening length expressed in Mpc/h and constant in comoving frame.

# Major properties of the ReBEL

- Earlier non-linear structure formation (easier to accommodate early re-ionization)
- significant part of violent relaxation and merging shifted to high-redshifts (easier to "produce" abundant population of think-disk spirals)
- Lower skewness of the density PDF more "emptier" voids
- Lower amplitude of the CMF in the dwarf mass range (missing satellites? Missing voids dwarfs?)
- To some extent higher masses of super-clusters
- Lower barion fraction in galaxy groups

Nusser, Gubser & Peebles 2005, Hellwing & Juszkiewicz 2009, Keselman, Nusser & Peebles 2009, Hellwing 2010, Hellwing, Knollmann & Knebe 2010, Hellwing, Juszkiewicz & van de Weygaert 2010

of cluster haloes (h

# THE REBEL MODEL













 $\beta_0/\beta_0^{\rm MAX}$ 



 $\beta_1/\beta_1^{MAX}$ 



 $\beta_2/\beta_2^{\rm MAX}$ 



#### CONCLUSIONS

- The topology defined by LSS of the matter distribution is a results of underlying clustering mechanism (gravity & cosmology) and initial conditions (postinflationary Gaussian density perturbation)
- The alpha-shape computational topology approach is a potentially new window open towards study of the LSS topology
- The Betti numbers and their sensitivity to changing topology show potential to become a new unbiased cosmological probes
- This approach can not only help obtain new measurements of cosmological parameters bu can also potentially discriminate between modified cosmologies like Dynamical DE, ReBEL, non-gaussianity, Coupled

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A point p with weight w(p) is in terpreted as the sphere with c enter p and square radius w(p). We denote the corresponding b all by b(p); it consists of all poi nts on and inside the sphere. A ll points with negative weight c orrespond to empty balls.

In 2D example we get a union of a set of disks in the plane.



The decomposition of the union of disk s defined by their Voronoi cells.

The shape of a finite set of weigh ted points is defined in terms of a decomposition of the union of cor responding balls into convex sets. This decomposition is defined by the (weighted) Voronoi cells of th e balls. Specifically, the Voronoi c ell v(p) of b(p) is the set of all poi nts whose power from b(p) is no l arger than from any other ball, wh ere the power is the square distan ce from the center of b(p) minus t he square radius of b(p).



The dual complex (alpha-shape) of the disk union.

Assuming general position of the points or balls, the largest set in t he nerve is of size d+1, i.e., a trip le in the plane and a quadruple in three dimensions. Under this assu mption, the nerve has a natural ge ometric realization by mapping ea ch cell b(p) on V(p) in C to the poi nt p. A set in the nerve maps to th e convex hull of the points that co rrespond to the elements in the s et. This realization is a (geometri c) simplicial complex.



The decomposition of the union of disk s and its dual complex overlapped.

Among the most useful properties of dual complex are the homotopy equivalence between its underlyin g space and the union of correspo nding balls, as well as that this un ion can be expressed as the alter nating sum of common ball interse ctions, with one term per simplex in the dual complex. This implies short inclusion-exclusion formula s for the d-dimensional volume an d other measures of the union of balls.