# Kinetic Sunyaev-Zel'dovich Effect as a Probe of the Reionization Epoch

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#### Introduction Secondary CMB Fluctuations on small scales



#### South Pole Telescope



# Introduction Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect





#### (Robertson et al. 2010)

#### Introduction tSZ and kSZ effect

• Thermal SZ Effect (tSZ)









#### Introduction

#### Imprint of reionization on the CMB











#### Introduction kSZ signal from observation



kSZ signal has not been detected yet but, has an upper bound.

#### Introduction Observational constraint on the reionization kSZ signal



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No kSZ contribution from the curl-free mode.

### Curl Mode (Divergence Free Mode)

kSZ contribution when looking from  $\uparrow$ 



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$$C_l = \left(\frac{\bar{n}_{H,0}\sigma_T}{c}\right)^2 \int \frac{ds}{s^2 a^4} \frac{P_{(X\mathbf{q})\perp}(k=l/s,s)}{2}$$
$$\longrightarrow \text{Model } P_{(X\mathbf{q})\perp}!$$

# <u>Method</u> Computing the kSZ signal

- Run N-body simulation.
- Identify halos and assign ionizing efficiencies to them.
- Run radiative-transfer simulation.
- $\rightarrow \text{Extract } P_{(X\mathbf{q})\perp}.$  $\rightarrow \text{Evaluate}$

$$C_{l} = (\frac{\bar{n}_{H,0}\sigma_{T}}{c})^{2} \int \frac{ds}{s^{2}a^{4}} \frac{P_{(X\mathbf{q})_{\perp}}(k=l/s,s)}{2} 2^{2} ds$$



#### <u>Model</u>

#### **Constraints on the Reionization Epoch**

 $z_{\rm ov} > 6$ 







#### <u>Model</u>

#### Inhomogeneous vs Homogeneous

L3



L3 homogeneous





#### Homo. vs. Inhomo. : Total signal



#### Result

#### **Contribution Over Time**

kSZ Contribution at I = 3000



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# Result Peak of contribution

kSZ Contribution at I = 3000



# <u>Result</u> Where the most of the signal comes from



#### Most of the kSZ signal comes from when the typical size of bubbles matches the angular scale we are look at.

#### **Modeling**

# Motivation for the self-regulated reionization

Using a single kind of sources can not meet the two constraints on reionization,  $\tau_{\rm es}$  and  $z_{\rm ov}$  at the same time



# **Modeling**

# Introduction of Self-regulated Sources

Low mass atomic cooling halo (LMACH) :  $10^8 M_{\odot} < M < 10^9 M_{\odot}$ - Can form stars in neutral regions, but can not shield itself from ionizing radiation. Active as ionizing sources until surrounding IGM ionizes.

Mini halo (MH) :  $10^4 M_{\odot} < M < 10^8 M_{\odot}$ 

- Cools itself with molecular hydrogens created by residual free electrons after the recombination. Active until Lyman-Werner radiation from neighbors dissociates its molecular hydrogens.

# <u>Modeling</u> Simulating LMACHs





#### **Modeling**

Impact of LMACHs on reionization



### Impact of LMACHs : Total kSZ signal



#### Impact of LMACHs : Contribution over time

kSZ Contribution at I = 3000 (7.2 arcmin)



#### Impact of LMACHs : Contribution over time



#### Impact of LMACHs : Smaller Scales

kSZ Contribution at I = 10000 (2.2 arcmin)



### Impact of LMACHs : Total kSZ signal



#### Modeling

Impact of MHs on reionization



# <u>Modeling</u>

#### Impact of MHs : Total kSZ signal



#### **Modeling**

#### Impact of MHs : Contribution over time

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#### **Modeling**

#### Impact of MHs : Smaller scale

kSZ Contribution at I = 10000 (2.2 arcmin)



Testing recent semi-analytical works

$$D_{l=3000}^{\rm kSZ} = D_{l=3000}^{\rm kSZ}(\Delta z)$$

 $(\Delta z \equiv z_{75\%} - z_{25\%} \text{ or } z_{99\%} - z_{20\%})$ 

Mesinger, McQuinn, Spergal (2011); Zahn et al. (2011)

$$D_{l=3000}^{\rm kSZ} < 2.8 \ \mu K^2 \to \Delta z < 4.4$$

Zahn et al. (2011)

*Is the kSZ signal (at I =3000) a function only of the DURATION of reionization?* 

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# Testing recent semi-analytical works



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# Interpretation Comparison to the SPT constraint



# Conclusion

- kSZ signal is an effective probe of late time inhomogeneity of reionization.
- Signal at I=3000 is not sensitive to LMACHs or MHs, but higher I signal will be able to tell their presence.
- $D_l^{\text{kSZ}}$  is not just  $D_l^{\text{kSZ}}(\Delta z)$
- Current observation of the kSZ signal is on the edge of ruling out reionization models. We will be able to constrain the reionization with kSZ signal shortly.