Which Galactic Dust Map Should I Use? Insights from Extragalactic Tomography







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Science application: Milky Way extinction correction for extragalactic objects



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Hubble Ultra-Deep Field

Probing the 3rd spatial dimension

2D → 3D flux → luminosity

angular separation

column density

static image

→ density

time evolution

physical size

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Clustering Redshift Estimation

Propagating 3D information from an external data set to our 2D data

 $\bar{w}_{ur}(z_i) \propto p(z)$



Mendez, Menard, & Rahman

Also Works for Intensity Maps with LSS signatures

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Are there extragalactic signatures in Galactic dust extinction maps?



If so:

- Bias in magnitude corrections (especially UV properties of dusty galaxies)
- Imprint of the large-scale structure (impact on precision cosmology)

10+ dust maps currently available



6 maps spanning the whole range of dust observables





The analysis: challenges

 weak signal buried in huge foregrounds

non- Gaussian pdf, spanning
2 orders of magnitude

• foreground is correlated with the masks (e.g., *b* boundary)

=> hard to measure reliable clustering on large scales





de-projecting 6 dust maps





Authors:

Schlegel, Finkbeiner & Davis 1998

Citations: 10254

Angular resolution: 6.1 arcmin

Method: Infrared thermal modeling

Temperature map based on COBE/ DIRBE 100, 240 μ m (0.7° resolution) Fold in IRAS 100 μ m emission (6.1')











How about other infrared based maps?



Extragalactic contributions in 4 thermal dust maps



CIB anisotropy is detected in SFD up to z~2 How about other infrared based maps?



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Authors: Schlafly et al. 2014

Citations: 48

Angular resolution:

7 (14) arcmin at |b|<30 (>30)

Method: Photometric modeling of star type, reddening and distance from 500 million point sources

Star selection based on size info only Pan-STARRS1 g, r, l, z, y Galactic model as prior (Juric+08)









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Dust map 6: Neutral Hydrogen 21cm emission — HI4PI



Dust map 7: Neutral Hydrogen 21cm emission — HI4PI



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Are there extragalactic signatures in Galactic dust maps? YES — a 3D view



Extra Variance in HI-Derived Dust Map due to Dust-to-Gas Ratio Modulation



- The HI-based dust map is free of extragalactic contribution.
- However, it is limited by dust-to-gas ratio modulations (10 deg structures).

Extinction Over-correction ("Magnification") bias

Similar to gravitational lensing magnification effect but no area dilatation



what I measured

Amplitude of the bias: 1% effect in E(B-V); at high latitude it's 10⁻³ ~10⁻⁴ effect in optical magnitudes

Which Dust Map Should I Use?

- For lower variance: IR thermal maps like SFD and Planck
- For minimum bias: HI 21 cm map
- Close to the Galactic plane : stellar reddening is a more direct measurement

Precision Cosmology that Involves Extinction Correction

- 1-pt statistics (e.g., supernova): percent level bias due to 1-halo term CIB
- 2-pt statistics (any clustering, BAO etc): sub-percent level extra correlation

For Galaxy Evolution Studies

- Up to 10 percent bias in e^{-τ} if you're studying UV properties of (U)LIRGs, DSFGs
- Solution for 1-pt statistics: Stack your sample in SFD or Planck and de-bias using the stack in HI 21cm

Conclusion

- By applying clustering-based redshift tomography, we detect extragalactic signatures up to z~3 in 5 out of the 6 Galactic dust maps considered
- The effect is on 1% level (0.1 mmag) in E(B-V) at ~10 arcmin
- HI derived dust map is free of extragalactic contribution at least down to 0.05% level
- For dusty galaxy studies and precision cosmology (using galaxies as tracers or SNe), the impact of extinction correction biases need to be studied