High-z Astrophysics with CCAT

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Galaxy Counts & the Cosmic FIRB at Submm Wavelengths

- 10% of CFIRB resolved directly with *Herschel*
- 50% resolved by P(D)
- $\Rightarrow$ Parameterized number count models derived to a depth of 2 mJy/beam
Models predict:

- CCAT $5\sigma$ confusion limit 0.5 to 1.1 mJy (350 to 850 µm)
- Vast majority of the CFIRB will be resolved by CCAT

BLAST – purple stars (Patachon et al. 2009)
SPIRE stacking – green triangles (Bethermin et al. 2010)
SPIRE source extraction – red triangles
The Importance of Mapping Speed and Angular Resolution

Simulated maps of the same patch of sky based on Herschel counts

350 μm

Herschel

CCAT
Approximate FOV of first-light camera

ALMA primary beam (~7")
Measuring the ULIRG LF to $z \geq 5$

- Submm wavelengths are essential for measuring bolometric luminosities of star-forming galaxies.
- At $5\sigma_{\text{conf}}$, CCAT will detect ULIRGs to $z \approx 6.3, 5.5,$ and $0.7$, respectively, at $\lambda = 350, 450, \text{and } 850 \mu m$ (Bethermin, et al., 2010, models).
- The deepest surveys CCAT surveys will match Spitzer 24 $\mu m$ for $z < 2$ and surpass for $z > 2$.
- Halo masses can be measured via clustering of galaxies almost two orders of magnitude fainter than Herschel.

![Detection thresholds graph](image-url)

Courtesy R. Chary, based on Chary & Elbaz.
Minimum Luminosity Function Survey

- Require ~1,000 galaxies per
  - $\Delta z = 0.25$ for $1 < z < 2$
  - $\Delta z = 0.50$ for $2 < z < 5$
  - in the luminosity range $10^{11.5} L_{\text{sun}} < L_{\text{IR}} < 10^{12.5} L_{\text{sun}}$
  - of order 10,000 galaxies total $\Rightarrow$ 1 sq. deg.
- ~1,000 galaxies per $\Delta z$ allows for ~10 bins within $10^{11.5} L_{\text{sun}} < L_{\text{IR}} < 10^{12.5} L_{\text{sun}}$ (of unequal $\Delta \log(L)$) not limited by Poisson statistics
- Anticipated first light camera: 6.5' FOV
- NEFD = 14 mJy $s^{1/2}$
- Integration to $\sigma_{\text{conf},850\mu m} = 0.2$ mJy (1.3 hours, including overheads)
  $\Rightarrow$ ~1 sq. deg., 2.5 weeks of dedicated time
Identifying High-z Galaxy Candidates

High-z galaxies will have low 350 to 850 µm flux density ratios (“350 µm dropouts”) and may enable us to probe the epoch of reionization.
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Three Herschel examples (Dowell et al. 2011)
Spectroscopy: Redshifts and ISM Astrophysics

- Thousands of galaxies will be detectable per sq. deg. spectroscopically
- Broadband MOS capability required
- Atomic fine-structure lines, line-continuum ratios, and CO ladder will probe
  - Redshifts
  - Gas mass reservoirs
  - Gas cooling
  - Gas excitation mechanisms
Synergy: ALMA, LMT, SPICA, SOFIA

Survey Methodology
1. CCAT surveys, source catalogs
2. CCAT redshifts for subsets
3. Identify candidates for ALMA observations based on
   a. Brightness
   b. Colors
   c. Redshift
   d. Lensing
4. ALMA observations
   a. Morphology
   b. Spectroscopy of resolved lines: dynamics
   c. Lensing studies (enabling studies of intrinsically faint sources, enhanced angular resolution)

LMT: Significant sky overlap allows for coordinated observations
SPICA: Warm dust, atomic fine-structure lines, & redshifted PAHs to characterize star-formation environments
SOFIA: Detailed FIR studies of low-z galaxies
The SZ Effect: Resolving Cluster Astrophysics

- CCAT will resolve clusters better than 10 m class telescopes while not resolving out diffuse signal
- Broad submm-to-mm spectral coverage and good angular resolution will enable separation of thermal SZ, kinetic SZ, dusty galaxies, and CMB
- N(M, z) help constrain cosmological parameters, such as $w_0$
- Comparison to simulations will improve scaling relations for mass estimates
Conclusions and Future Work

High-z science with CCAT

- The history of obscured star formation and the assembly of galaxies:
  - Measure the LF, star formation activity, and gas reservoirs in galaxies to high redshifts
  - Overcome confusion noise to resolve the CFIRB into galaxies with statistically relevant sample sizes
  - Halo occupations: measure the clustering to sub-ULIRG luminosities
- Galaxy clusters: Simultaneously measure the structure and integrated mass in the intracluster medium
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Workshops to engage the community in CCAT science planning

First up: October 5 – 7, Cologne University, Germany:

“Formation and Development of Molecular Clouds – Prospects for High-Resolution Spectroscopy with CCAT”

https://www.astro.uni-koeln.de/
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