Summary-

Course evaluations are open- Please Respond!

- www.courseevalum.umd.edu
- So far 13 have responded (52%)-- just the average for all of astronomy classes...(actually there are 4 students not taking class for grade.. so maybe should be 62%)
- Why?
 - For the benefit of your peers
 - Because your comments count and we use it to improve our teaching and/or redesign the course
 - Because your opinion is used to evaluate our performance
- **Tomorrow is the last day!** The most common reason respondents gave for not participating was that they were too busy and/or ran out of time

Lots of Material!

• Going over the slides there were ~30 slides per lecture and 25 lectures- 750 slides!

• Wide variety of topics:

dynamics

gas physics

dust

star formation

galaxy properties

active galaxies

stuff not covered in text and the professors insistence on NOT covering stuff the text covers ...argh Congratulations for hanging in!



FINAL EXAM

- <u>Weds</u>, 19 Dec, 10:30-12:30
- Exam is in this room
- Cumulative, but with emphasis on material after the midterm
- No notes or books allowed
- Bring calculator



Maybe We Had a Bit of This







Hubble Ultra Deep Field



Hubble Ultra Deep Field







- What is a galaxy?
 - Observationally
 - Theoretically
- Observationally
 - A lot of matter in 'one' place
 - historically matter was traced by optical light (due mostly to stars)
 - Now can find and study galaxies by radio and mm emission from ionized gas and by emission in xrays from their ISM+ black holes
- Theoretically
 - A bound system with a mass between that of a globular cluster ($\sim 10^6 M_{\odot}$ and a group of galaxies $\sim 10^{13} M_{\odot}$)
 - Most of the mass (>65%) is dark matter (>20x more DM than stars)
 - e,g compact condensation of baryons near the center of dark matter halos.

Galaxies



Galaxies come in a huge range of shapes and sizes

Generically divided into two generalized morphologies spirals ellipticals

Topics we covered

- Broad description of galaxies
- Stellar populations/star formation
- Gas and Dust in galaxies
- Milky Way as a detailed example of a galaxy
- Local group as extension of detailed example
- Galactic dynamics/need for dark matter
- Spiral galaxies
- Elliptical galaxies
- Galactic evolution/formation and cosmological implications
- Active Galactic nuclei -relation to host galaxy
- This is an **enormous** range of material; the level of detail varied greatly from section to section



The BIG Picture

- Essentially, all research on galaxies aims at answering how galaxies form and evolve
- Steps include understanding the role of the different galactic structural components in this history, and how they relate with each other..
- We linked structural analysis, kinematics and dynamics, stellar population properties and evolution, multi-wavelength observations, redshift evolution, and theory.
- From a theoretical point of view Galaxies reside in dark matter halos, but, are biased tracers of the underlying matter distribution: that is the observable galaxy properties such as luminosity are not *simple* tracers of dark matter.
 - we discussed how dynamical measurements as well as other observations can determine baryonic and dark matter distributions
- Galaxies change over cosmic time
 - at present most star formation occurs in spirals
 - ellipticals are old systems and formed most of their stars in the distant past.

Modern galaxy research

- Explain the observed galaxy population and its changes over cosmic time
- Understand why galaxies show the extreme regularity of various parameters
- Cosmic laboratories for all the details of astrophysics
 - star formation
 - interaction of baryons with dark matter
 - formation of the chemical elements
 - the relationship of black holes to their host galaxies (AGN)

What is galaxy research about?

- Explain galaxy population as consequence of initial conditions (+ stability arguments + feedback)
- Understand astonishing regularity of galaxy population
- Understand galaxies well enough to make them (even better) cosmological diagnostics
- Test of galaxy formation
- Have fun!

Galaxies: The Short of It







Ellipticals M_{halo}>10¹¹M_☉ V~350km/s Highly Clustered Old stars little star formation NOW SpiralsDwarfs $M_{halo} > 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ $M_{halo} > 10^8 M_{\odot}$ $V \sim 200 km/s$ $V \sim 30 km/s$ wide range of stellar Weakly ClusteredagesYoung starsstar formingNumerous

Galaxies Over Cosmic Time

- Direct imaging by HST has shown the existence of galaxies at z~8 (13Gyrs age, for an age of the universe model of 13.7Gyrs)
- Stellar ages: in the MW oldest stars are ~13.2Gyrs old (error of +/-2 Gyrs)
- Galaxies have changed enormously over cosmic time
- The present day pattern of galaxies emerged at z~1



The farthest and one of the very earliest galaxies ever seen in the universe appears as a faint red blob in this ultradeep-field exposure taken with NASA's Hubble Space Telescope. This is the deepest infrared image taken of the universe. Based on the object's color, astronomers believe it is 13.2 billion light-years away. (Credit: NASA, ESA, G. Illingworth (University of California, Santa Cruz), R. Bouwens (University of California, Santa Cruz, and Leiden University), and the HUDF09 Team)

Galaxies Do Not Live Alone

- Galaxies are part of the 'cosmic web'- representing overdense regions of both baryons and dark matter
- The effective size of the dark matter is much larger than the apparent stellar size



The cosmic web has structure at all scales but eventually becomes homogenous at R>70Mpc

Eric Bell

Large Scale distribution of normal galaxies

- On scales
 <10⁸pc the
 universe is
 'lumpy'- e.g.
 non homogenous
- On larger scales it is homogenousand isotropic



Sloan Digital Sky Survey- http://skyserver.sdss3.org/dr8/en/



How Things Form

- Gravity acts on overdensities in the early universe making them collapse.
- As time goes on these collapsed regions grow and merge with others to make bigger things



•Hierarchical clustering (or hierarchical merging) is the process by which larger structures are formed through the continuous merging of smaller structures.

•The structures we see in the Universe today (galaxies, clusters, filaments, sheets and voids) are predicted to have formed by the **combination** of collapse and mergers according to Cold Dark Matter cosmology (the current concordance model).

Galaxies in a Cosmological Context

emergence of galaxies



The Two Big Types of Galaxies and their Origins

- The properties of galaxies form a distinct pattern:
- Ellipticals tend to be massive, red and old
- Spirals less massive blue and 'younger'
 - Colors are related to the amount of star formation at present



see: Kormendy J., Bender R. (1996) ApJ, 464, L119



Panchromatic MilkyWay



Image of MW galactic plane from radio through γ-raysappearance of galaxies can look very different in different wave bands 'Cool gas' (HI-hydrogen) and color coded light (red is warmer hydrogen, blue is young stars reddish color is dust absorption)



Gas

- Other than stars the baryons in galaxies lie in 3 forms
 - gas
 - rocks
 - dust (0.1% of mass)
- the % mass in rocks and dust is small
- There is an interplay between the stars and gas, with stars forming out of the gas and with enriched gas being ejected back into the interstellar medium from evolved stars.
- There exist a vast array of spectral diagnostics for the gas in both emission and absorption which can reveal
 - chemical composition
 - temperature
 - velocities
 - ionization mechanism



Peeples and Shankar 2011



The Spitzer Infrared Nearby Galaxies Survey (SINGS) Hubble Tuning-Fork



Galaxy Relations Strong Connection of morphology and physical properties

- Density of galaxies vs color and luminosity
- Galaxies fall into 2 broad classes
 - 'red' cloud-mostly ellipticals
 - 'blue sequence' mostly spirals
 - Few galaxies between- 'green valley'



Isopleths- lines of constant galaxy density



Absolute magnitude Baldry et al 2004

Local Group

- Our galactic neighborhood consists of one more 'giant' spiral (M31, Andromeda), a smaller spiral M33 and lots of (>35 galaxies), most of which are dwarf ellipticals and irregulars with low mass; most are satellites of MW, M31 or M33
- The gravitational interaction between these systems is complex but the local group is apparently bound.
- Major advantages
 - close and bright- all nearby enough that individual stars can be well measured as well as HI, H2, IR, x-ray sources and even γ-rays
 - wider sample of universe than MW (e.g. range of metallicities, star formation rate etc etc) to be studied in detail



- -allows study of dark matter on larger scales and first glimpse at galaxy formation
- -calibration of Cepheid distance scale

MBW fig 2.31

Star Formation Histories Local Group Dwarfs

- With HST can observe color magnitude diagram for individual stars in local group galaxies
- Using the techniques discussed earlier can invert this to get the star formation history
- Note 2 extremes: very old systems (Cetus, wide range of SF histories (Leo A)



Local Group Summary-

• What is important

- local group enables detailed studies of objects which might be representative of the rest of the universe (e.g CMDs of individual stars to get SF history, spectra of stars to get metallicity, origin of cosmic rays etc)
- wide variety of objects -2 giant spirals, lots of dwarfs
- chemical composition of other galaxies in local group (focused on dwarfs and satellites of the MW) similar in gross terms, different in detail; indications of non-gravitational effects (winds); went thru 'closed box' approximation allowed analytic estimate of chemical abundance
- dynamics of satellites of MW (Magellanic clouds) clues to their formation, history and amount of dark matter
- dwarfs are the most dark matter dominated galaxies we know of- closeness allows detailed analysis.
- dwarf galaxy 'problem' are there enough low mass dwarfs around MW??- lead to discussion later in class about galaxy formation and Cold dark matter models

Spirals-The Components

Disks:

- Rotationally supported, lots of gas, dust, star formation occurs in disks, spiral arms
- Origin in CDM models: disk galaxies form in halos with high angular momentum and quiet recent assembly history, ellipticals are the slowly-rotating remnants of repeated merging events. Disks, form out of gas that flows in with similar angular momentum to that of earlier-accreted material

Bulges:

- somewhat spheroidal featureless (no spiral arms, bars, rings etc) that stick out of the disk plane,
- mostly old stars (not much dust or star-forming regions),
- kinematically hot, i.e. dynamically supported by the velocity dispersion of their stars- but they do rotate more significantly than ellipticals

Origin

• thought to form via mergers (i.e. accretion of usually smaller external units)- disks reform later after merger by accretion of gas.

- have cold gas and dust
- present day star formation
- many have internal structure (spiral arms and bars)
- a bulge and disk (large range in relative importance)
- host radio quiet AGN
- are more frequent in lower density environments
- appearance of galaxy can change radically depending on the 'stretch'
- x-ray luminosity is dominated by binaries
- ISM is highly structured



Spirals

Full Up Equations of Motion- Stars as an Ideal Fluid(S+G pgs140-144, MBW pg 163)

Continuity equation (particles not created or destroyed) $d\rho/dt+\rho\nabla .v=0; d\rho/dt+d(\rho v)/dr=0$

Eq's of motion (Eulers eq) $dv/dr=\nabla P/\rho-\nabla \Phi$

Poissons eq $\nabla^2 \Phi(r)$ =-4 $\pi G\rho(r)$ example

•Point mass $\phi(r)$ =-GM/r; F(R)=- $\nabla \phi$ =d ϕ /dr=-GM/r²

How Often Do Stars Encounter Each Other

For a 'strong' encounter GmM/r>1/2mv² e.g. potential energy exceeds KE So a critical radius is $r < r_s = 2GM/v^2$

Putting in some typical numbers $m \sim 1/2 M_{\odot}$ v=30km/sec r_s=1AU So how often do stars get that close?

consider a cynlinder Vol= πr_s^2 vt; if have n stars per unit volume than on average the encounter occurs when $n\pi r_s^2$ vt=1, t_s=v³/ 4 π nG²m³

Putting in typical numbers = $4x10^{12}(v/10 \text{km/sec})^3(m/M_{\odot})^{-2}(n/pc3)^{-1} \text{ yr- a}$ very long time (universe is only 10^{10} yrs oldgalaxies are essentially collisionless



Virial Theorem

 mV^2 (KE)+Potential energy (W) r •(ma) =0

after a few dynamical times, if unperturbed a system will come into Virial equilibrium-time averaged inertia will not change so 2<T>+W=0

For self gravitating systems W=-GM²/2R_H ;R_H is the harmonic radius- the sum of the distribution of particles appropriately weighted

 $1/R_{\rm H} = 1/N \Sigma_{\rm i} 1/r_{\rm i}$

The virial mass estimator is $M=2\sigma^2 R_H/G$; for many mass distributions $R_H \sim 1.25 R_{eff}$ where sR_{eff} is the half light radius σ is the 3-d velocity dispersion

Halo

From Chaisson

• Totally dominated by dark matter but does have gas (HI) ,some field stars and globular clusters

TABLE 23.1 Overall Properties of the Galactic Disk,Halo, and Bulge		
GALACTIC DISK	GALACTIC HALO	GALACTIC BULGE
Highly flattened	Roughly spherical— mildly flattened	Somewhat flattened and elongated in the plane of the disk ("football shaped")
Contains both young and old stars	Contains old stars only	Contains both young and old stars; more old stars at greater distances from the center
Contains gas and dust	Contains no gas and dust	Contains gas and dust, especially in the inner regions
Site of ongoing star formation	No star formation during the last 10 billion years	Ongoing star formation in the inner regions
Gas and stars move in circular orbits in the Galactic plane	Stars have random orbits in three dimensions	Stars have largely random orbits but with some net rotation about the Galactic center
Spiral arms	No obvious substructure	Ring of gas and dust near center; Galactic nucleus
Mostly disk...

A Bit of the Galaxy Zoo



• Disk-bulge separation is tricky and influenced by inclination angle and dust and wavelength observed (disks standout in the blue, bulges in the red)



Neutral gas is the reservoir, molecular gas fuels the star formation



Very small dust grains efficiently reprocess energy from star formation

M 83: from Gas to Stars



Evolved star population constitutes the Stellar Backbone

Spiral galaxies are panchromatic objects different physical process are best shown in different wavebands



Young hot stars represent the current epoch of star formation

Neutral gas (HI and CO) dust (IR emission) old stars (red optical light) young stars (UV light)

HI

- Spirals have large HI disks
- This gas is optically thin
- This means that we see all the gas and can measure the amount directly from the line intensity
- HI gas is much more extended than the optical light, $r_{HI} > 2.5 R_{25}$
- Gives a unique tracer for the velocity in spiral galaxies
- Spider diagram orientation and velocity field





Tully-Fisher for Spiral Galaxies

Absolute luminosity measured in magnitudes

- relationship between the speed at which a galaxy rotates,v, and its optical luminosity L_{opt}: (the normalization depends on the band in which one measures the luminosity and the radius at which the velocity is measures
- $L_{opt} \sim Av^4$
- Since luminosity depends on distance²
 while rotational velocity does not, this is a way of inferring distances.



Spirals

The Hubble type of a spiral correlates with

- bulge/disk luminosity ratio
- relative content of cool gas (H I)
- mass concentration
- stellar population (how many young/old stars)
- nuclear properties
- chemical abundances in the ISM
- star formation history and integrated stellar spectrum
- bulges of spirals tend to have old stars, disks younger stars
- A lot of the detail depends on what wavelength one observes in (e.g. the UV favors hot young stars, the IR dust, x-rays hot gas and binaries)





Azimuthally Averaged Light Profiles

• Bulge is more concentrated than the disk: bulge is described by Sersic profile, disk by an exponential profile



This is an approximation, galaxies with strong bars or other non-azimuthally symmetric features will clearly change this

Galaxy spectra

- Sequence of ages of a composite SSP population (star forming-spiral population)
- bulges are dominated by stellar absorption lines and have little 'blue' light
- The star forming galaxies- *almost all spirals at low redshift*, show emission lines (from ionized gas) and much more blue light (especially when they are young) emission lines due to



Energy Released By Galaxies

• Extensive galaxy surveys have allowed the measurement of the total energy released by all low z galaxies across the UV-far IR spectrum 1.3x10³⁵ W/Mpc³(Driver 20120; 35-45% of energy generated by stars is absorbed by dust and re-radiated in IR- this occurs predominately in spirals



Dust

Controls the Optical, UV, IR properties of spirals Not important in ellipticals at low redshift Not effect radio or x-rays much

Optical image of star forming region

Interstellar extinction Interstellar Emission-

IR image of star forming region



Emission and Absorption in MultipleWave Bands



Star Formation

- The physics of star formation (what processes produce stars) and the astrophysics (where and when were the stars produced) are two of the dominant issues in astrophysics at present- unfortunately they are not covered by the text.
- Stars form from dense, cold gas either in disks or in gas that is violently shock compressed (in mergers)

Current SF can be estimated from a variety of techniques

- Hα observations, which gives the number of ionizing photons if one assumes that all ionizing photons are used and eventually re-emitted - ionizing photons are almost exclusively emitted by massive (hot) stars which have short lifetimes; slo the effects of dust can be large
- far-IR flux this assumes that a constant fraction of the emitted stellar energy is absorbed by dust
- radio continuum emission this statistically correlated very well with the IR radiation- physics is complex since radio emission comes from synchrotron radiation from relativistic electrons+ thermal bremmstrahlung from hot gas
- far-UV flux (- which is primarily emitted by young (hot) stars- but older /less massive than those responsible for H α
- X-ray emission- produced by 'high mass' x-ray binaries (a Neutron star or black hole with a massive companion)

Kennicutt Schmidt Law

- Relation of star formation rat per unit area to gas surface density (an observable)
- $\Sigma_{SFR} = A\Sigma_{gas}^{n} n \sim 1.4$ gas consumption efficiency is low ~1.5x10⁹yrs to convert the gas into stars



Spirals and Dark Matter

- Rotation-curve decomposition primary tool for measuring the distribution of dark matter in spiral galaxy halos, **but** uncertainties in the mass-to-light ratio of the luminous disk and bulge make accurate estimates difficult (IMF-mass degeneracy)
- Disk-halo conspiracy- there is no 'feature' in the rotation curve indicating where dark matter starts to dominate- smooth transition!
- Disks in equilibrium

Rotation provides total mass within a given radius.

Vertical oscillations of disk stars provides disk mass within given height inside a cylinder:



Dark matter dominates mass (and potential) outside ~a few scale lengths

At the radius where the velocity curve flattens ~15-30% of the mass is in baryons

Disk Halo Degeneracy

- MBW fig 11.1: two solutions to rotation curve of NGC2403: stellar disk (blue lines), dark matter halo red lines.
- Left panel is a 'maximal' disk, using the highest reasonable mass to light ratio for the stars, the right panel a lower value of M/L



The Big Picture- Two Populations

- top panel color distribution vs mass of a large sample of local galaxies from the SDSS
 - Middle panel is the morphologies that dominate at each mass
 - bottom panel shows the galaxy mass function divided by color (Cattaneo et al 2009)-
 - the black solid line is the prediction from cold dark matter theory of the number density of halos vs mass- notice does not agree with the galaxy mass distribution



Spheroidal (Elliptical) Galaxies MBW chap 13, S+G ch 6

- Visual Impression: smooth, roundish- deceptively simple appearing- collisionless systems
- While visually 'similar' detailed analysis of spheroids groups them into 3 categories
 - Massive/luminous systems: little rotation or cool gas, flat central brightness distribution (cores), triaxial; lots of hot x-ray emitting gas, stars very old, lots of globular clusters. Low central surface brightness
 - Intermediate mass/luminosity systems: power law central brightness distribution, little cold gas; as mass drops effective rotation increases, oblate
 - Dwarf ellipticals: no rotation, exponential surface brightness
- At M>10⁹M_☉ general properties fall on the 'fundamental plane' which includes metallicity, velocity dispersion, size, surface brightness (and some other properties)
- Spiral galaxies bulges, while visually similar are physically different in many ways from E galaxies



Fundamental Plane of Elliptical Galaxies

 There are a set of parameters which describes virtually all the properties of elliptical galaxies and are strongly connected



2 Projections of the fundamental parameter plane of elliptical galaxies. Top

r_e= scale length
μ= surface brightness
σ= velocity dispersion
M=absolute magnitude

Higher z observations constraint on origin

• At higher z massive elliptical galaxies in clusters have colors and luminosities (at z<1.2) consistent with 'passive' evolution e.g. galaxy forms at higher z and does not change with time and stars 'just evolve'- a SSP (!)

ETG-early type galaxies





using the consistency of the colors of these galaxies with 'passive' evolution the ages of massive ellipticals in clusters is ~10-13Gyr (!)-Rettura et al 2012

Wide Range of Sizes- But Homologous

- the family of spheroids can usually be well fit by the Sersic model, but there are some deviations in the centers (cores and cusps)
- More luminous galaxies tend to have cores, less luminous roughly power law shape in <u>central regions</u>





Kinematics

- Kinematics- the features used to measure the velocity field are due to stellar absorption lines: however these are 'blurred' by projection and the high velocity dispersion of the objects.
- Spatially resolved spectra help...
- Examples of 2 galaxies M87 and NGC 4342 showing one with no rotation and the other with lots of rotation
- The other parameter is velocity dispersion- the width of a gaussian fit to the velocity



For NGC4342 its observed flattening is consistent with rotation

Spectrum of Ellipticals

- Optical and near IR spectrum dominated by old stars-how do we know this?
 - colors —

'standard' optical colors UBVRI are not very sensitive to age, metallicity of old stellar pops



see GuyWorthy's web page http://astro.wsu.edu/worthey/dial/dial_a_model.html

Growth of Elliptical Galaxies

- Massive elliptical galaxies had lots of star formation at high (z>1.5) redshift but more or less stopped forming stars at more recent times
- Growth in E galaxy mass thus has been primarily via mergers- this is also consistent with chemical abundance gradients (but the merging galaxies are not the same as systems today; everything evolves)





Mass Determination

- for a perfectly spherical system one can write the Jeans equation as
- $(1/\rho)d(\rho < v_r >^2)/dr + 2\beta/r < v_r >^2 = -d\phi/dr$
- where ϕ is the potential and β is the anisotropy factor $\beta = 1 \langle v_{\theta} \rangle^2 / \langle v_r \rangle^2$
- since $d\phi/dr = GM_{tot}(r)/r^2$
- one can write the mass as
- $M_{tot}(r)=r/G < v_r >^2 [dln\rho/dlnr+dln/<v_r >^2/dlnr+2\beta]$
- expressed in another way

$$M(r) = \frac{V^2 r}{G} + \frac{\sigma_r^2 r}{G} \left[-\frac{d\ln\nu}{d\ln r} - \frac{d\ln\sigma_r^2}{d\ln r} - \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_\theta^2}{\sigma_r^2}\right) - \left(1 - \frac{\sigma_\phi^2}{\sigma_r^2}\right) \right]$$

Notice the nasty terms

•V_r is the rotation velocity $\sigma_r \sigma_{\theta_r} \sigma_{\phi}$ are the 3-D components of the velocity dispersion v is the density of stars

•All of these variables are 3-D; we observe projected quantities !

•The analysis is done by generating a set of stellar orbits and then minimizing

•Rotation and random motions (dispersion) are both important.

NGC1399- A Giant Elliptical

- Solid line is total mass
 - dotted is stellar mass
 - dash-gas mass is gas mass
- In central regions gas mass is ~1/500 of stellar mass but rises to 0.01 at larger radii
- Dark matter dominates at larger radii -factor of 5 greater than baryonic mass in this galaxy



•Use hydrostatic equilibrium to determine mass $\nabla P = -\rho_g \nabla \phi(\mathbf{r})$ where $\phi(\mathbf{r})$ is the gravitational potential of the cluster (which is set by the distribution of matter) P is gas pressure and ρ_g is the gas density

ISM In Ellipicals

- Predominately hot kT~10⁶-10⁷K and thus visible only in the x-ray
 - the temperature is set, predominantly by the depth of the potential well of the galaxy (if it were hotter it would escape, if colder fall)
 - The metallicity of the gas is roughly solar

x-ray image of NGC 4636





Hierarchical Formation of Structure



Figure 6. A schematic representation of a "merger tree" depicting the growth of a halo as the result of a series of mergers. Time increases from top to bottom in this figure and the widths of the branches of the tree represent the masses of the individual parent halos. Slicing through the tree horizontally gives the distribution of masses in the parent halos at a given time. The present time t_0 and the formation time t_f are marked by horizontal lines, where the formation time is defined as the time at which a parent halo containing in excess of half of the mass of the final halo was first created.



• Big mergers are rare, but increase the mass a lot - growth by both collapse and mergers



- A bulls-eye collision- the Cartwheel galaxy
- ring-like structure ~150,000 ly across (larger than the Milky Way)
- The ring is a wave of star formation traveling outwards at about ~10² km/sec
- As the wave passes outward it compresses and heats the matter that it passes through, triggering star formation.



The History of Active Galaxies

- Active Galaxies (AKA quasars, Seyfert galaxies etc) are radiating massive black holes with $L\sim 10^7$ - $10^{14}L_{sun}$
- The change in the luminosity and number of AGN with time are fundamental to understanding the origin and nature of massive black holes and the creation and evolution of galaxies
- ~20% of all energy radiated over the life of the universe comes from AGN- a strong influence on the formation of all structure.



X-ray Color Image (1deg) of the Chandra Large Area X-ray Survey-CLASXS

Galaxy formation and accretion on supermassive black holes appear to be closely related

Black holes play an important role in galaxy formation theories

Observational evidence suggests a link between BH growth and galaxy formation:

Theoretical models often assume that BH growth is self-regulated by **strong** feedback:

- ► M_B-σ relation
- Similarity between cosmic SFR history and quasar evolution
- Blow out of gas in the halo once a crtitical M_B is reached Silk & Rees (1998), Wyithe & Loeb (2003)

Feedback by AGN may: Solve the cooling flow riddle in clusters of galaxies

- Explain the cluster-scaling relations, e.g. the tilt of the L_x-T relation
- 💥 🕨 Explain why ellipticals are so gas-poor
- Drive metals into the IGM by quasar-driven winds
- Help to reionize the universe and surpress star formation in small.

Springel 2004



Galaxy formation models need to include the growth and feedback of black holes !

SFR Rate and AGN Growth

- To first order the growth of supermassive black holes (as traced by their luminosity converted to accretion rate) and the star formation rate are very similar
 - showing similar rises and falls
 - It this cause and effect? e.g. feedback



Merloni 2010

(c) Interaction/"Merger"



- now within one halo, galaxies interact & lose angular momentum
- SFR starts to increase
- stellar winds dominate feedback
- rarely excite QSOs (only special orbits)

(b) "Small Group"



(d) Coalescence/(U)LIRG

- galaxies coalesce: violent relaxation in core
 gas inflows to center:
- starburst & puried (X-ray) AGN
 starburst dominates luminosity/feedback, but, total stellar mass formed is small

(e) "Blowout"



- BH grows rapidly: briefly dominates luminosity/feedback
- remaining dust/gas expelled
 get reddened (but not Type II) QSO:
- recent/ongoing SF in host high Eddington ratios merger signatures still visible

(f) Quasar



 dust removed: now a "traditie
 host morphology difficult to tidal features fade rapidly
 characteristically blue/young

(g) Decay/K+A



 QSO luminosity fades rapid

 tidal features visible on very deep observations
 remnant reddens rapidly (E4
 "hot halo" from feedback
 sets up quasi-static cost

(h) "Dead" Elliptica



- star formation terminated



M66 Group

- halo accretes similar-mass companion(s)
- can occur over a wide mass range
- M_{helo} still similar to before: dynamical friction merges the subhalos efficiently



Mass of Black Hole Compared to Velocity Dispersion of Spheroid

- Sample of non-active galaxies compare mass of black hole (derived later) with velocity dispersion of stars
- Very high detection rate of BHs in 'normal' galaxiesboth spheroids and disks.



Gultekin 2009

Optical Properties of AGN

• **Strong lines** of hydrogen, carbon, oxygen, magnesium





Unusual optical colors (Richards et al SDSS)- quasars in color, stars are black

UV-Optical Continuum is thought to arise via thermal emission in an accretion disk

Broad Band Continuum (IR-Xray)




Its Turtles all the way down...

- Stephen Hawking's 1988 book "A Brief History of Time" begins with the following famous anecdote.
- A well-known scientist gave a public ۲ lecture on astronomy. He described how the earth orbits around the sun and how the sun, in turn, orbits around the center of a vast collection of stars called our galaxy. At the end of the lecture, a little old lady at the back of the room got up and said: "What you have told us is rubbish. The world is really a flat plate supported on the back of a giant tortoise." The scientist gave a superior smile before replying, "What is the tortoise standing on?" "You're very clever, young man, very clever," said the old lady. "But it's turtles all the way down!"

