GALAXY EVOLUTION

insights from High-Resolution Imaging and Deep Spectroscopy

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What we know...

- how the number of stars evolves
- how those stars are distributed over different galaxies

This talk

- How was this formation history measured?
- Why do we believe it?
- Along the way: a few recent results
- Bonus part











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Estimating galaxy masses ...

Dynamical modeling



NGC7332; Falcon-Barroso et al. (2004)



It doesn't have to be complicated...



Simple mass estimate

 $M \sim \beta r_{1/2} \sigma^2 / G$

The ultimate test... comparing dynamical and stellar mass estimates



Dynamical structure



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Ellipticity: Projected shape on sky

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The shape distribution of early-type galaxies



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van der Wel et al. (2005)



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Stellar masses vs. dynamical masses at z = 1



Is $M \sim \beta r_{1/2} \sigma^2 / G$ valid at higher z?





van der Wel & van der Marel (2008)

At
$$z = 1$$
...



 $M \sim \beta r_{1/2} \sigma^2 / G$ still valid

At z = |...



 $M \sim \beta r_{1/2} \sigma^2 / G \qquad Shape \sim rotation/'diskiness' still valid \qquad sti$

No evolution in shape distribution of early-types at z < I



Holden et al. (2011)



z > 1 work: near-infrared observations

Massive early-type galaxies at $z \sim 2$ are small



HST/NICMOS imaging + Gemini/GNIRS spectroscopy: Kriek et al. (2007); van Dokkum et al. (2008)

also see, e.g., Daddi+05;Trujillo+06; Zirm+07;Toft+07

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Stellar masses vs. dynamical masses at z = 2



Compact, massive early-type galaxies at $z \sim 2$ often have prominent disks



HST/WFC3 imaging: van der Wel et al. (2011)

Early-type galaxies evolve in size gradually



Summarizing ...

- Interpretation of high-z galaxy observations is robust
- This is thanks to the complementary approaches of dynamical measurements and observationally cheaper photometric measurements

Bonus part:

STARBURSTING DWARF GALAXIES

a recent result based on HST imaging/spectroscopy (van der Wel et al. 2011)









CANDELS mosaic of GOODS-S

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69 candidates in 280 sq. arcmin



Slitless grism spectroscopy





Extracted spectrum

4 confirmed with WFC3 grism spectroscopy





mass ~ 10^{7-8.5} Msol; age 5 - 40 Myr



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Studies of local dwarf galaxies:



The new observations imply ...



Many or even most stars in present-day dwarf galaxies may have formed in strong, short-lived bursts at z > 1

