Einführung in die Astronomie II _{Teil 13}

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Overview part 13

- historic stuff
- extragalactic distance determination
- classification of galaxies
- general properties
- spiral structure

Historical stuff

- 19th Century observations: Rosse with 60 inch reflector (!)
- discovered "spiral nebulae" (e.g., M51)
- Kant: "island universes"
- astronomers divided about local versus non-local nature of the spiral nebulae
- 1920's debate between Shapley (local) and Curtis (non-local) did not decide the issue
- needed to measure distances to settle the question

Rosse's sketch of M51



Distance determinations !!

- Hubble (1923): discovered Cepheids in the Andromeda (spiral) nebula, aka M31
- P-L relation gives distance!
- modern result: distance of 900 kpc to Sun!
- much farther than size of our Galaxy!
- must be non-local!
- \blacktriangleright angular size of Andromeda galaxy \rightarrow diameter of 70 kpc
- larger than the Milky Way!

primary distance indicators !!

cepheids

- brightest giants and super-giants
- novae

secondary distance indicators

- diameter of largest H II region
- brightest blue stars
- brightest globular clusters
- planetary nebulae
- Supernovae

tertiary distance indicators

- Iuminosity classes of galaxies
- width of emission lines
- brightest galaxy in clusters
- M-L relation (galaxies)
- color-L relation (galaxies)

The Hubble Law !!

- Slipher (1911): spectral lines in spiral nebulae are mostly redshifted
- Hubble & Humason (1920's): correlation between distance and redshift
- the farther a galaxy is away, the larger the redshift (and thus its radial velocity)

$$z = \frac{\lambda - \lambda_0}{\lambda_0}$$



Hubble diagram !!



Hubble (1929): relation between distance d and recession speed v

$$v = H_0 d$$

 \rightarrow Hubble law

► $H_0 \approx 65 \,\mathrm{km}\,\mathrm{s}^{-1}\,\mathrm{Mpc}^{-1}$: Hubble constant

The Hubble Law !!

- \blacktriangleright example: galaxy at 100 Mpc distance moves away from us at a speed of 6500 km s^{-1}
- note: only holds as an average, galaxies have individual velocities, too
- example: M31 is approaching the Milky Way
- ► H₀ relatively hard to measure accurately: z (and thus v) easy to measure but d is hard to measure accurately.
- Hubble law used to estimate distances to remote objects where no other information is available!

we can see millions of galaxies in the sky

- Hubble defined 4 broad classes of galaxies
 - spirals
 - barred spirals
 - ellipticals
 - irregulars

 these types have different appearance and different physical characteristics

The Hubble sequence !!



spiral galaxies are divided into

- normal (SA) spirals (Sa–Sc, or SAa–SAc)
- barred (SB) spirals (SBa–SBc)
- intermediate types (SBA)

spirals









barred spirals







Sa

Sc

elliptical galaxies

sub-class depends on *apparent* ellipticity

$$\epsilon = 1 - \beta / \alpha$$

► E7 is "latest" classes, >E8 not found so far.

S0/SB0: intermediate class: lenticular galaxies

ellipticals











lenticular galaxies



Class E does not use the "real" shape of the galaxy: oblate spheroidal galaxy





irregular galaxies:

- Irr I: hint of structure (LMC, SMC)
- Irr II complete chaos

Irr I (LMC)



Irr I (SMC)



Modifications



Iuminosity class

ranges I to V

uses "definition" of the arms

does not correlate well with absolute magnitude!

Modifications

de Vaucoleurs:

- remove Irr I and Irr II, S-classes later than Sc or SBc
- ▶ Irr I \rightarrow Sd (SBd), Sm (SBm), Im (m: Magellanic type)
- ▶ Irr II \rightarrow Ir or "amorphous"
- Sd's and later are very small \rightarrow *dwarf spirals*

Elliptical galaxies

modern classification:

- ▶ cD galaxies: huge (1 Mpc) and bright, masses $10^{13} M_{\odot}$, large M/L ratios (750!) → large masses of dark matter
- ▶ normal elliptical galaxies: 1 kpc to 200 kpc diameters, $10^8 \dots 10^{13} M_{\odot}$, M/L: 7 to 100.
- $\blacktriangleright\,$ dwarf ellipticals (dE's): 1 to 10 kpc diameter, $10^7\ldots 10^9\,M_\odot$
- $\blacktriangleright\,$ dwarf spheroidal galaxies (dSpH's): 0.1 to 0.5 kpc, $10^7\ldots 10^8\,M_\odot$
- blue compact dwarf galaxies (BCD's): small unusually blue ellipticals, low M/L (0.1).

giant elliptical



dwarf elliptical



K-correction !!

- extinction correction
- most galaxies show significant redshifts → light that came, e.g., originally from the B band is shifted away!
- needs to be corrected to get intrinsic B band magnitude!
- \blacktriangleright \rightarrow K-correction
- more important for more distant galaxies

- measure rotation speed of galaxies through H I 21 cm line
- maximum rotation velocity V_{max} correlates with M_B
- different relations for different Hubble-types!
- form depends on distribution of mass within galaxy and mass-to-light ratio!



rotation curve *flat* in the outer parts

 \blacktriangleright \rightarrow mass contained within distance *r* from center:

$$M = \frac{V_{\max}^2 R}{G}$$

• with $M/L \equiv 1/C_{\rm ML}$ as the same M/L for all spirals (assumption!)

$$L = C_{\rm ML} \frac{V_{\rm max}^2 R}{G}$$

• if surface brightness is constant for all spirals (another assumption) then $L/R^2 \equiv C_{SB}$ \rightarrow eliminate R:

$$L = rac{C_{
m ML}^2}{C_{
m SB}} rac{V_{
m max}^4}{G^2} \equiv CV_{
m max}^4$$

 \blacktriangleright converting to $M \rightarrow$

$$M = M_{\odot} - 2.5 \log \left(\frac{L}{L_{\odot}}\right)$$

= $M_{\odot} - 2.5 \log V_{\max}^4 + \text{const.}$
= $-10 \log V_{\max} + \text{const.}$

 gives the correct leading coefficient in the Tully-Fisher relation

general properties

Table 26-1 Some Properties of Galaxies

	Spiral and barred spiral galaxies	Elliptical galaxies	Irregular galaxies
Mass (M ₍₁₎)	10^9 to 4×10^{11}	10 ⁵ to 10 ¹³	10^8 to 3×10^{10}
Luminosity (L ₍₎)	10^8 to 2×10^{10}	3×10^5 to 10^{1}^1	107 to 109
Diameter (kpc)	5 to 250	1 to 200	1 to 10
Stellar populations	Spiral arms: young Population I Nucleus and throughout disk: Population II and old Population I	Population II and old Population I	mostly Population I
Percentage of observed galaxies	77%	20%*	3%

* This percentage does not include dwarf elliptical galaxies that are as yet too dim and distant to detect. Hence, the actual percentage of galaxies that are ellipticals may be higher than shown here.

Properties: spirals

- arched lanes of stars (like Milky Way)
- spiral arms contain young, hot stars and H II regions
- \blacktriangleright \rightarrow Pop. I stars!
- spectrum of a spiral galaxy (sum of all stars!) shows strong metal lines
- central bulge: little star formation, Pop. II stars
- difference related to amount of gas and dust: Sa: 4% of mass in gas and dust Sb: 8% Sc: 25%
- thus Sc has lots of star formation in the disk, Sa doesn't

Properties: barred spirals

- spiral arms start at the ends of a bar running through the nucleus
- subdivided by relative size of central bulge and winding of arms
- SBa to SBc (same idea as for spirals)
- SBa–SBc show similar gas+dust changes as spirals
- bars appear as natural effects in many spirals
- SB's are 2 times more frequent that S's
- \blacktriangleright models \rightarrow bar does not develop if a massive dark matter halo is present

Properties: ellipticals

- practically no gas and dust!
- ▶ no star formation, only old stars \rightarrow Pop. II stars, red!
- wide range of sizes and masses
- giant elliptical galaxies
 - about 20 times larger than normal spiral!
 - pretty rare

Properties: dwarf ellipticals

- much smaller than normal galaxies
- ▶ few stars: 10⁶ stars (compared to 10¹¹ in the Milky Way)
- \blacktriangleright \rightarrow completely transparent, can see through them
- Doppler shifts of lines \rightarrow stellar motions "random"
- round ellipticals \rightarrow *isotropic* velocities
- flattened ellipticals \rightarrow anisotropic velocities

colors



spiral structure !!

grand-design spirals

2 very well defined and symmetric arms

▶ 10%

multiple (> 2 arms) spirals

▶ 60%

- flocculent spirals
 - ill-defined arms
 - not traceable far from the nucleus
 - ▶ 30%

spiral structure



spiral structure

- both leading or trailing spirals are possible!
- radial velocity measurements are ambiguous
- need orientation of the galaxy!
- in almost all feasible cases
 - \rightarrow trailing spirals
- some weirdos with 2 + 1 arm moving in opposite directions
- leading arms caused by tidal interactions?
- winding problem

spiral structure !!



spiral structure !!

- differential rotation!
- time scale very short!
- \blacktriangleright \rightarrow spiral arms are not "constant" pattern of stars

Density Wave Theory !!

- initially proposed by Lindblad first worked out by Lin & Shu:
- quasi-static density waves
- regions in the disk where density is *larger* than average (10–20%)
- stars, clouds move *through* density waves during orbits around center
- spiral density wave pattern stationary in a non-inertial rotating coordinate system
- ► angular speed: global pattern speed Ω_{gp}

Density Wave Theory !!

- stars etc. are not stationary in this system!!
- ▶ near the center: $\Omega > \Omega_{
 m gp}$
 - \rightarrow stars *overtake* density wave
- far from the center: $\Omega < \Omega_{\rm gp}$ \rightarrow density wave overtakes stars
- Co-rotation radius R_c: Ω = Ω_{gp} → "dividing line"

Density wave theory !!



S: inertial system, density wave rotates with Ω_{gp}
 S': rotating non-inertial system rotating with Ω_{gp}

Density Wave Theory

- Density wave model explains:
 - young, massive stars in the arms
 - H I and dust in the inner trailing edges of the arms
 - distribution of low mass stars not as concentrated in arms
 - reduces winding problem (but need to stabilize the wave)

Density Wave Theory

- flocculent spirals may be result of several overlapping waves?
 - SSPF: stochastic, self-propagating star formation model
 - outbursts of star formation triggered by SNe sequences
 - doesn't explain location of dust and OB stars

Simulation

