Observations that Challenge to Our Understanding of Central Galaxies

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Highlights of 2014

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Large Scale Structure Map from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey I

Many fundamental physical parameters of galaxies are tightly correlated



The "Bathtub" Model (equilibrium, gas regulator)



SFR ∝ Gas Mass; Outflows ∝ SFR → equilibrium

Finlator et al. 2008; Bouche et al. 2010; ... Peng et al. 2014; Dekel et al. 2014

The bathtub model provide some intuition into which physical parameters are important



Gas accretion is difficult to directly observe - focus is on individual detections at present (see A&A review by Sánchez Almeida+ 2014)

Lener+ 2013 showed that Lyman Limit Systems have a bi-modal metallicity distribution - metal poor LLS may trace accretion



The gas around z~2.5 star forming galaxies is a complex mix of metal rich and poor components





Bouche+ 2013

Crighton+ 2014

Intergalactic gas in Ly α emission around two quasars (Cantalupo+ 2014)



CO Measurements of normal star forming galaxies indicate redshift evolution of the Kennicutt-Schmidt relation → SF efficiency higher at z>1

> PHIBSS - IRAM PdB highz CO 3-2 survey of 56 normal star forming galaxies:

 $\log(M^*) \ge 10.4$

 $\log(SFR) \ge 1.5.$



A very similar trend is seen when dust mass is used to calculate the total gas mass (Santini+ 2014)







The Star Formation Main Sequence: z = 0 - 6



Speagle+2014 compiled MS observations from 25 studies and converted them to the same absolute calibrations (IMF, L-SFR, cosmology, etc)

Linear SFR-M* trend with **intrinsic** scatter of 0.2 dex

Probing the Main-Sequence at Lower Masses



Whitaker+2014 analyze a mass-complete sample of ~39,000 star-forming galaxies with deep CANDELS 0.3 - 8 um photometry, Spitzer/MIPS 24µm, grism redshifts and Ha from 3D-HST

Steeper slope (SFR M*) at lower masses, evolution in slope at massive end (slow quenching?)

The Main Sequence is influenced by Environment at Low Redshift

Haines+2013

LoCuSS MIPS 24um + optical spectra of clusters at z=0.15-0.3

SFR/M* in massive cluster galaxies is suppressed by ~30% relative to the field



Cluster-related quenching does not seem to be at work above z~1.4 (Brodwin+ 2013)



Quenching: a stronger function of central stellar mass **density** (bulge) rather than stellar mass

Omand+ 2014



Stellar Mass

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Do Centrals Suffer Environmental Quenching?



Knobel+2014 showed that when the study was limited to centrals in groups with more than 3 massive galaxies the quenched fractions of satellites and centrals were similar

Quenched Fraction

Central quenching: a function of central density and halo mass

Woo+ 2014



Halo Mass

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Fast quenching: central density (mergers, violent disk instability) Slow quenching: halo mass (viral shock heating) Outflows are ubiquitous in actively star forming galaxies. So why don't we know more about them?

Velocities of the warm/cool phase are easy, masses are hard!



UV interstellar absorption lines are great for measuring wind velocities, but many strong lines are saturated - difficult to measure column density

Broad Hα and [S II] emission lines have been used to estimate mass outflow rates in local (U)LIRGs and z~2 galaxies

Newman+ 2012

Arribas+ 2014





But Hα is only sensitive to the highest density gas - traces inner shocked wind not large scale outflow

NGC 7552 (Wood, in prep)



Powerful **molecular outflows** have been observed in many star forming galaxies and AGN



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Cicone+2014

Molecular Outflows are observed in starbursts and AGN, but mass outflow rates are higher in AGN.



Cicone+2014

AGN Outflows greatly reduce gas repletion times (~10 Myr) → Quenching

Molecular Gas observations of BCGs: outflows and inflows



Figure 6. Left: *Hubble Space Telescope (HST)* WFPC2 F606W optical image of the BCG in A1664. Right: zoom-in of the *HST* image with ALMA CO(3–2) contours representing the BCG's systemic component (-285 to 285 km s⁻¹; yellow) and HVS (-705 to -405 km s⁻¹; cyan). The ALMA beam size for CO(3–2) is shown to the lower left.

Russell+ 2014, see also McDonald+ 2014, Labiano+ 2014, Werner+ 2014, McNamara+ 2014

McGee 2014



A key constraint on outflows comes from the ratio of stellar to halo mass



At most only 15% of the available baryon have turned into stars by the present

Improved photometry of BCG results in stellar masses that are larger by factors of 2-6



Bernardi+2013, Karvtsov+2014

If, in addition, the IMF becomes more bottom heavy with increasing M* ...



The efficiency of SF in massive halos appears only moderately suppressed (2-3x) compared to L* galaxies

> Less AGN feedback needed?

A galaxy's **gas phase metallicity** is sensitive to many important parameters of its evolution

Equilibrium solution from Lilly+ 2013



The Fundamental metallicity relation (Mannucci+ 2010)



Metallicity correlates with stellar mass and SFR. Galaxies along on this surface surface

M-Z-SFR: Not So Fundamental Any More?

Troncoso+2014 AMAZE + LSO: star forming galaxies at z~3.4



See also Zahid+ 2014, Steidel+ 2014

How do we make progress?



CALIFA, SAMI, KMOS, MUSE, MaNGA, etc.

Credits: R. García-Benito, F. Rosales-Ortega, E. Pérez, C.J. Walcher, S.F. Sánchez & the CALIFA team

Hα [NII] 6584 Å [OIII] 5007 Å

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Metallicity gradients trace a galaxy's history of star formation, inflow, outflow and interaction with the large scale environment

Figure 6. The radial gas-phase metallicity gradient for disc galaxies with stellar mass $10^{10.0} < M_*/M_{\odot} < 10^{10.5}$ from the model results at z = 0. The three different colour curves represent the model results with $f_{z,hot} = 0.0, 0.8, 1.0$, respectively.

Fu, Kauffmann et al. 2013

Mapping Nearby Galaxies at APO

PI: Kevin Bundy (IPMU, Japan)

Project Scientist: Renbin Yan (U. Kentucky, USA)

One of 3 new SDSS-IV surveys

- half of dark time for 6 years
- began July 2014

IFU spectra of 10,000 galaxies

- z~0.03
- coverage to 1.5 and 2.5 Re
- λ =3600-10300 Å at R~2000
- Survey overview paper to be submitted this month (Bundy et al.)

The early MaNGA data looks great!

2014 Highlights:

- * Metal-poor gas accretion co-exists with outflows and recycled gas
- ★ The SFR "main sequence" is not flat. Its shape is modified by redshift and environment
- * Star formation efficiency (gas consumption time) changes with redshift
- * Quenching is more strongly associated with galaxy compactness than stellar mass
- Molecular outflows are prevalent in star forming galaxies and AGN so far only AGN appear to eject enough molecular gas to bring about quenching
- Metallicity is a sensitive barometer of many important ingredients in galaxy evolution - high z galaxies fall off the "fundamental" Z-M*-SFR relation

The BOSS spectrographs provide wide wavelength coverage at R~2000

wavelength (nm)

MaNGA IFUs

29 deployable fiber-IFUs (17 science, 12 calibration) housed in metal ferrules that can be plugged into SDSS plates (7 sq deg)

