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Wide Integral Field Infrared Survey of Nearby Galaxies

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Age of Large Scale IFS Surveys

Visible

- ★ Several wide integral fie' spectroscopic survey
- \star Focus mainly on ne
 - SAURON (Nga
 - ATLAS^{3D} (Nga
 - CALIFA (Ngal
 - SAMI (Ongoin
 - MaNGA (Ongoi)
- Increasing utility of telescopes

w integral field surveys nalaxies (z~1-4) or nalaxies 60) (Ngal = 600) (Ngal = 1000)

perture 8-10 meter class

Observing Galaxies in the IR

Current State:

- Near-IR IFS surveys mostly target high-z galaxies
 - FOV better fit high-z targets
 - Study rest-frame optical features

Potential Opportunities for Nearby Galaxies:

- Large range in wavelength
- Low extinction
- Rich in spectral features of late-type and evolved stars



NGC1132 with large integral field overlaid

For nearby galaxies, NIR spectral range is hardly explored compared to the visible

WIFIS: Wide Integral Field Infrared Spectrograph

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Instrument Parameters		
Field of View	50" x 20"	
Spatial Sampling	1.1"×1.1"	
Telescope	UAz Bok 2.3-meter (90")	
Modes	0.9-1.35 µm	1.5-1.7 µm [*]
Detector	HAWAII-2RG 1.7µm	
Spectral Resolution	3,000	2,200

* Reduced sensitivity due to thermal background



CAD Model of WIFIS



Arizona 90" Bok Telescope (Credit: UAz) Commissioning second half of this year

Comparison of Fields of View of IR IFSes



WIFIS

SAURON

Visible IFS, Infrared IFS



Stellar Populations in the INfrared Survey (SPINS)

Study Stellar Populations in Nearby Galaxies through IR Integral Field Spectroscopy

Primary Scientific Questions:

- Does the low-mass end of Initial Mass Function (IMF) vary with galaxy properties?
- What is the contribution of thermally pulsing AGB (TP-AGB) stars to stellar light in the infrared?



HR Diagram of M55 12 Gyr old Globular Cluster -Stellar astrophysicist's view (Credit: Mochejska & Kaluzny)

Relative Stellar Contributions to IR Light



Worthey (1994)

~40-50% RGB ~10-20% other MS dwarfs ~10% KM dwarfs ~10-20% AGB

WIFIS Measurements of Low-Mass IMF in Galaxies

Measuring the IMF of Early Types and Spiral Bulges



11 Gyr old solar metallicity models from Conroy & van Dokkum 2012a Spatially Resolved Spectroscopy of Prototypical Elliptical Galaxy (~10¹¹ M_☉)

tint+overhead = 4 hours (for required SNR)

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M. Jarvis



Observations of z ~ 0.2 Poststarburst Galaxies - Claim no need for TP-AGB stars Low resolution IR spectra (Zibetti et al. 2013)

Sample

50 nearby elliptical galaxies/spiral bulges

- Broad range of velocity dispersion and metallicity
- Existing optical wide integral field data

10 nearby post-starburst galaxies

Preferred Parent Sample: CALIFA

- Good match of angular extent and spatial resolution
- Large sample of nearby (0.005 < z < 0.03) galaxies
- Covers the entire Hubble sequence

Future plan: MaNGA galaxies



Complement optical large-field IFS surveys

Extensions of WIFIS Nearby Galaxy Survey

Star Formation

- High Mass Star Formation
- Star Formation in Merging Systems

Stellar Populations

Population Gradients in Spirals

Dust Distribution in Galaxies

Extinction Maps (Hα/Paβ)

Kinematics

- Merging System Dynamics
- Stellar Dynamics
- Characterization of Pseudo-Bulges

Active Galactic Nuclei

Nuclear Activity in Seyfert Galaxies

Opportunities for Nearby Galaxies:

- Low extinction
- Rich in spectral features of late-type and evolved stars
- Light not dominated by the youngest stars

Interested in Potential Collaborators

Extra Slides

Stellar IMF from Extragalactic Observations



Nearby Elliptical Galaxies Long slit measurements van Dokkum & Conroy (2012)

Recent work suggests significant variation in IMFs in different galaxies

Stellar IMF from Extragalactic Observations



Stellar Population Synthesis (SPS) Analysis

Conroy & van Dokkum (2012b)

- Corroborated by other SPS works of early types (e.g. Spinnello+12)
- Bottom-light IMF observed in low mass dwarf spheroidal galaxies (Geha+13)



Martinez-Navarro et al. (2015)

CALIFA Integral Field Survey Study of IMF variation in galaxy sample



Stellar IMF from Extragalactic Observations



Early-type Galaxies (ATLAS^{3D})

Cappellari et al. (2012)

Kinematic Measurements of IMF

Studies of the Same Galaxies Inconsistent



Stellar IMF from Extragalactic Observations

Not all results of stellar IMF variation in agreement





Smith et al. (2015)

Signatures of Dwarfs and Giants in the NIR



IRTF Spectral Library (Rayner et al. 2009)

Simulated Observations of A Typical Galaxy



Systematic errors from sky subtraction and telluric absorption not included

Are thermally pulsing AGB (TP-AGB) stars a significant contributor to stellar light in the infrared?

Late Evolution of Low and Intermediate Mass Stars



 0.8-8 M_o stars undergo an asymptotic giant branch phase where they exhaust their almost all of their nuclear fuel

 During the AGB phase, the luminosity of these objects increases several orders of magnitude when they begin to thermally pulsate

Thermally Pulsating AGB Stars





The range of stellar spectra for AGB stars (carbon-rich/oxygen-rich) (Rayner et al. 2009)



Solar Metallicity 1Gyr old Population Model (Maraston 2005)

- Previous models neglected their contribution because of the short timescale
- Important contributors for galaxies with stellar ages within 0.2-2 Gyr
- Overestimate stellar mass by factor of 2 when using NIR luminosities



Contribution of TP-AGB stars is a strong function of metallicity and age (Zibetti et al. 2013)

Complexities arise from the lack of understanding of TP-AGB star physics
Ratios of carbon-rich or oxygen-rich stars need to be determined



Observations of Nearby Spirals - Show Strong Evidence of TP-AGB Stellar Features Moderate resolution IR spectra (Riffel et al. 2015)



SED Fit of high-z Galaxy with different stellar population synthesis models (Capozzi et al. 2016)

- Studies seems to go back and forth between needing the TP-AGB stars for high-z galaxies
- Most recent work looking at ~50 spectroscopically confirmed, high-z (1 < z < 3) galaxies suggests that TP-AGB heavy models are favoured but including reddening to TP-AGB light models produces good results too
- This issue will be crucial to JWST studies of high-z galaxies when it launches in 2018