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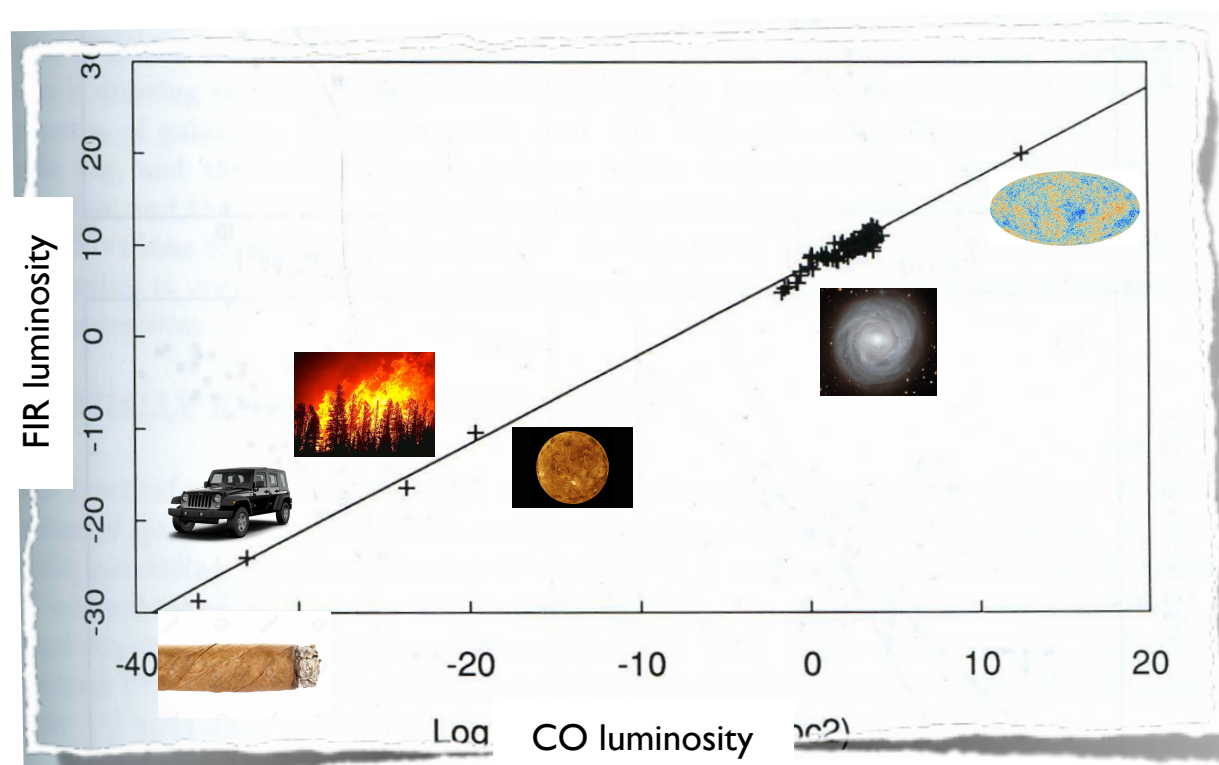


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e.g. Stephane Courteau, Luca Cortese...



- x and y uncorrelated
- y/x vs x correlated
- $\log y/x$ vs $\log x$ even better!

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◆ Complexity (both physics and data) increases. So does “*noise*”

And... **are we getting lost in translation?**

Early types / late types, blue ellipticals, red spirals, red/green/blue galaxies...

Gas rich and gas poor...

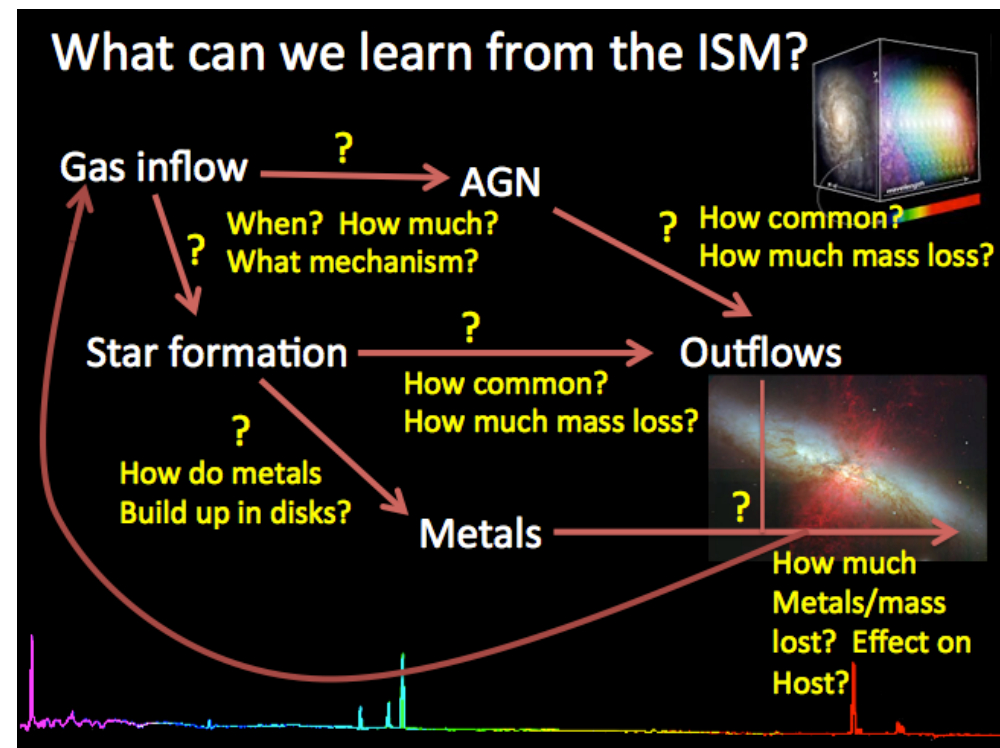
Are we rediscovering old things?

“Tools, software and instruments are better but are we just doing the same thing we were in the 90s?” (Eric Emsellem)

Keep historic memory/perspective! (Brad Gibson)

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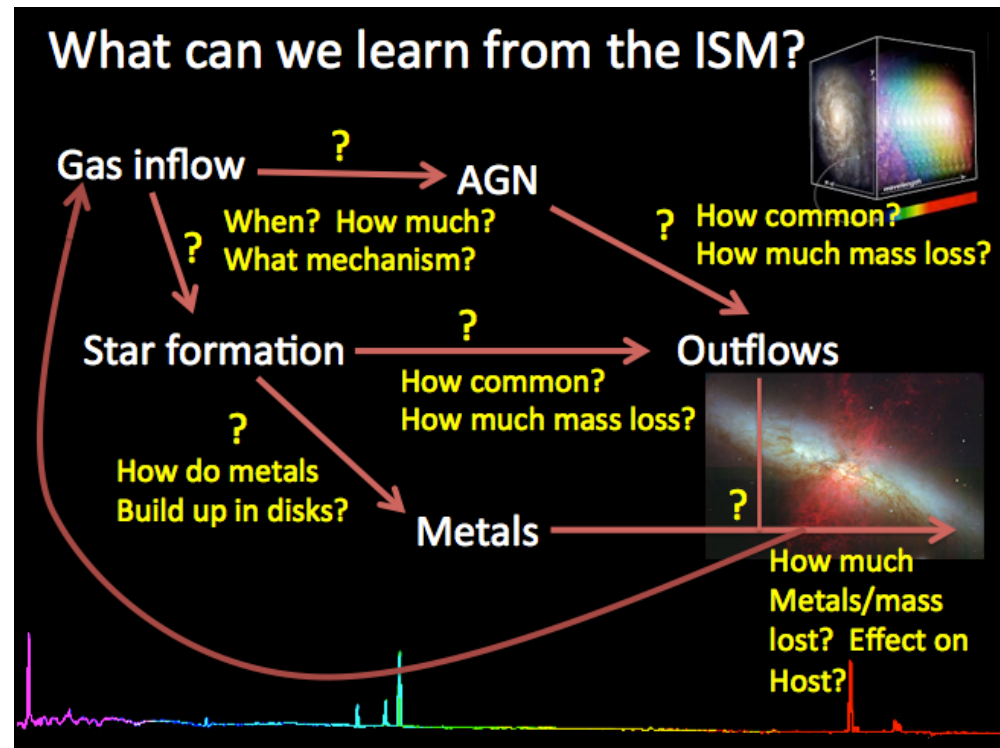


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Gas accretion!!



what kind of accretion?? hot/cold? smooth? minor or major mergers? galactic fountain?

how much accretion? how often? how does it depend on galaxy properties, assembly history etc.??

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