A Multiwavelength View of Galaxy Evolution

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Picture Credit: http://ecuip.lib.uchicago.edu/multiwavelength-astronomy/astrophysics/05.html

The extragalactic background light



Picture Credit: https://ned.ipac.caltech.edu/level5/March17/Cooray/Cooray1.html

The extragalactic background light (cont.)



Dole et al. (2006)

Infrared Wavelengths

The IR wavelength range

Corresponds to different physical processes:

1-3 microns (near-IR): mostly stellar emission - light of old/red giant stars
3-5 microns (mid-IR): RJ tail of stellar emission + hot dust + free-free
5-50 microns (mid-IR): hot/warm dust (AGN dusty torus; warm dust from SF)
50-3000 microns (far-IR/submm): cold dust (only related to SF)



Hubble Space Telescope 2MASS 2005 NASA, ESA, STSCI/AURA UMass/IPAC-Caltech Spitzer Space Telescope ESA/ISO, CAM, NASA/JPL-Caltech/U of Ariz./DSS M. Sauvage et al.

IRAS

The importance of dust through cosmic time

Dust in galaxies was very important at z=1-5

Total IR means ~(3-3000) microns, i.e., 3 microns through 3 mm

Mostly produced in the envelopes of red giant (AGB) stars

It was less relevant at earlier cosmic times (higher z), except for the most massive galaxies

Origin of dust observed at z>6 is still under debate

Instruments to study of the dusty Universe

in space and ground-based



Atmospheric Transmission



ALMA



Credit: ALMA (ESO/NAOJ/NRAO)/H. Zodet (ESO)

The cosmic SFR density

This was our best knowledge about ten years ago...



The contribution of dusty galaxies to the CSFRD



Up to z~4, most star formation in the Universe is obscured by dust.

The total-IR LF



Gruppioni et al. (2013)

Dusty galaxies in the Early Universe



Fudamoto et al. (2021)

Radio Wavelengths

Radio sources

Brightest radio sources are mostly AGN

At fainter radio fluxes, the radio galaxy population is mixed in nature



The VLA



Credit: NRAO/AUI/NSF

IR-radio correlation



Herrera Ruiz et al. (2017)

Evolution of radio galaxies



Mancuso et al. (2017)

Future Facilities: SKA







Both AGN and star-forming are emitters in X rays

To disentangle nature:

* X-ray colours: f_nu (2-8keV) / f_nu (0.5-8 keV)

Sources bright at 2-8 keV (hard X rays) are almost all AGN

* use of complementarity tracers at other wavelengths

e.g. optical fluxes/colours - near-/mid-IR colours (none is perfect)

X-ray telescopes



in operation for more than 20 years...



Sources of the X-ray background



Aird et al. (2015)

AGN X-ray luminosity density



Rare X-ray detected AGN/QSO in early Universe



Wolf et al. (2023)