

CLUSTERING OF UV-SELECTED GALAXIES AT Z<1

Star formation and environment

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Cosmic Star Formation Rate evolution

• Cosmic Star Formation Rate as a probe for galaxy formation and evolution

• SFR decreasing strongly since ~ 7 billions years

• Time evolution of galaxies' contribution to SFR ?



Hopkins & Beacom (2006)

Downsizing of galaxy formation



• Downsizing: "more massive galaxies form at higher redshift" (Cowie et al 1996)

- Galaxies stop actively forming stars sooner if more massive
- Physical mecanisms responsible ?

Downsizing - Internal processes AGN Feedback I



• AGN feedback quenches star formation



Hopkins et al (2006)

Downsizing - Internal processes AGN Feedback II

• Use of AGN feedback in simulations helps to agree with observations

• Fraction of objects with AGN peaks in green valley



Croton et al (2006)



Downsizing - Environmental processes Dark matter and galaxies

z = 20.0

50 Mpc/h

Downsizing - Environmental processes

• Simulations: halo properties depend on environment at a fixed halo mass

- Observations: galaxy properties depend on environment at a fixed halo mass
- Simulations involving environmental effects agree well with observations



Yang et al (2006)



Star Formation Rate

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Links between Star Formation and Environment

Star Formation

Ultraviolet

Clustering

Environment

NGC 0628

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1000 MPC

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Clustering as a tracer of environment





- Galaxies reside in Dark Matter haloes
- Galaxy distribution reflects their host haloes distribution
- Haloes distribution depends on halo mass



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Springel et al (2005)

Ultraviolet as a tracer of star formation





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Outline

I. Data samples

Galex presentation Samples: MIS r-selected / AIS UV selected

II. Correlation function basics

III. Results from MIS full sample NUV-r cuts: Star Formation History tracer

IV. Results from AIS UV-selected sample NUV luminosity and NUV-R cuts

V. Conclusion

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GALEX A presentation

- Imaging, spectroscopy
- 2 bands: FUV (1540 Å) NUV (2315 Å)
- FOV 1.2 degrees



Survey	Area (sqdeg)	# of Objects	<fuv exptime=""> (s)</fuv>	<nuv exptime=""> (s)</nuv>
AIS	13,566	83,358,979	111	111
MIS	880	13,586,221	1,780	2,232
DIS	113	2,971,137	21,210	26,387
NGS	304	3,853,946	2,232	2,595
GII	318	4,224,949	2,393	3,331

GALEX Galaxy Evolution Explorer

Sample(s) selection

- GALEX GR3 data cross-matched to SDSS DR6 (4 arcsec radius)
- Objects with only one GALEX-SDSS counterpart
- SDSS spectrocopic galaxies with r<17.6

MIS full sample: 15,839 galaxies



AIS UV-selected sample: 12,118 galaxies



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Redshift space correlation functions



 Redshift space correlation functions show effects due to peculiar velocities: small scales (fingers of God) large scales (coherent infall)

Redshift space correlation functions to real space correlation functions



- $\xi(\mathbf{r}) = (\mathbf{r}/\mathbf{r}_0)^{-\gamma}$
- r₀ correlation length: strength of the correlation
- γ slope: balance between small and large scales

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MIS Full sample NUV - R cuts / Halo masses



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• The more recent the star formation, the less massive the haloes



MIS Full sample NUV - R cuts / Halo occupation (crude)



• Mean halo occupation number increases with NUV-R color

• The more recent the star formation, the smaller average number of galaxies per halo



AIS UV selected sample NUV luminosity cut



• Slope constant with luminosity (~1.8)

• Increase of correlation length with NUV luminosity (r₀ increases from ~1.7 to 2.7 h⁻¹Mpc)

AIS UV selected sample NUV - R cut



• Slope constant with luminosity (~1.8)

• Slight increase of correlation length with NUV - R color (r₀ increases from ~1.9 to 2.39 h⁻¹Mpc)

Bias evolution of UV-selected star forming galaxies

 Bias of UV-selected star forming galaxies decreases from ~3 at z = 4 to 0.5 at z = 0

 \bullet Masses of Dark Matter haloes with similar bias decreases from 10^{12} to 10^{10} $h^{\text{-1}}~M_{\odot}$

Migration of star forming galaxies from high mass haloes at high z to low mass haloes at low z



Bias evolution and fraction of FUV luminosity density



• FUV luminosity density > 0.5 ~ bulk of star formation at a given epoch

Bias of star forming galaxies increases with redshift at a given fraction of FUV luminosity density

Downsizing in terms of dark matter halo mass



Summary

GALEX data as a tool for linking global star formation and environment

• Use of NUV-R color to link star formation history with environment

Minimum mass of haloes increases for earlier star formation epochs Galaxies in green valley reside in environments similar to small groups Average halo occupation increases for earlier star formation epochs

• Use of low redshift UV-selected sample to link star formation intensity with environment

Clustering strength of UV-selected galaxies increases with redshift Minimum mass of haloes hosting UV-selected galaxies increases with redshift Bias of UV-selected galaxies increases with redshift at a given fraction of FUV luminosity density fraction