What Is JWST Telling Us about Early Galaxy Formation & Cosmology?









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Timeline of the Life



The diversity of life on Earth today is the result of **Universe evolution**

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Key Questions

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Why JWST

galaxy cluster SMACS 0723, known as Webb's *First* Deep Field unveiled July 11, 2022

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Near Infrared Spectrograph (NIRSpec): near-IR spectroscopy from 0.6–5.3 μm

Near Infrared Camera (NIRCam): offers imaging from 0.6–5.0 μm, coronagraphy, slitless spectroscopy

Mid-Infrared Instrument (MIRI): imaging and spectroscopic from ~ 5 to $28 \mu m$

Near Infrared Imager and Slitless Spectrograph (NIRISS): slitless spectroscopy, and imaging

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First look by Webb

GLASS-JWST Early Release Science (PI:Tommaso Treu)

"In 2017, thirteen "Early Release Science" (ERS) Programs were selected with the goal of collecting as quickly as possible public datasets that would showcase the power of JWST while enabling a full characterization of its instrument suite."

Treu **Yang** et al, 2022

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Dropout technique & SED Fitting

searching for the high-z galaxies

Dropout technique:

large break occurs at the **912-1216** Å (Lyman limit-Lyman alpha) from **neutral hydrogen absorption** in the line-of-sight

Spectral energy distributions (SED):

Estimating galaxies's properties, such as stellar mass, dust attenuation etc

Discovery 2 bright early galaxies

With just <u>4 days</u> of analysis

Milky Way: ~13 kpc, Magnitude ~ -21.3

Castellano ..., **Yang**, et al. 2022 **Yang** et al.2022

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Discovery 1 ultra-faint early galaxy

With gravitational lensing

Lensed image is reconstructed by Lenstruction, Yang et al 2020

Spectroscopically redshift z=13.20

JWST ADVANCED DEEP EXTRAGALACTIC SURVEY (JADES) WEBB SPECTRA REACH NEW MILESTONE IN REDSHIFT FRONTIER

JADES-GS-z13-0 spectroscopically confirmed redshift 13.20

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Galaxies Transformed the Early Universe

Credits: NASA, ESA, CSA, Joyce Kang (STScI)

Determine the shape of UVLF

Correcting selection bias

Distance

preferential detection of intrinsically **bright** objects

higher surface brightness

Given luminosity, **smaller size** are easier to be observed

UVLF using JWST data

Updated of UVLF at bright-end

Harikane et al.2023

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See also Bouwens et al. 2022; Donnan et al. 2023; Finkelstein et al. 2022; Naidu et al. 2022

The first optical band Size-L relation

Updated of size-L at bright-end

Yang et al. 2022

Sizes of early galaxies z~7-13

Faint galaxies observed via strong lensing

red points are Hubble lensed galaxies

Overview of UV luminosity function

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Observations

Theory

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Pre-JWST expectations

Steep fall-off in star formation toward higher redshift

Harikane et al. 2022

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Harikane et al. 2022, 2023

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Galaxies with $M_{\star} \approx 10^{10-11} M_{\odot}$ at $z \sim 8 - 10$ imply *thousands* of times more stars per unit volume than expected based on *HST* results

Massive early galaxies: in tension with ACDM

Uh oh: require *all* available baryons in the halo to be converted into stars in Λ CDM (i.e., $\epsilon_{\star} \approx 1$). *Note*: at z = 0, $\langle \epsilon_{\star} \rangle \leq 0.2$ at all halo masses

JWST: massive early galaxies at early cosmic times

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Massive dust-obscured galaxies (with ALMA detections)?

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If the issue is cosmological: need more (faster) formation of cosmological structure at early times. No wiggle room in base Λ CDM — all parameters are known to $\leq 1 \%$ precision — but extensions with additional parameters might work

- need higher $\rho_{\rm m}, \sigma_8,$ and/or $n_{\rm s}$
- a small(ish) possible modification: a short period of **early dark energy** with $\Omega_{EDE} \sim 0.1$ at $z \sim 3500$ (Kanvalue 2016: Pouline e 2018, 2010: Smither 2020, Piece & Kamionkowski 2022)

(Karwal++ 2016; Poulin++ 2018, 2019; Smith++ 2020, Riess & Kamionkowski 2022)

EDE leads to enhanced high-z structure formation

higher $\rho_{\rm m},\sigma_{\rm 8},~\&~n_{\rm s}$ than base Planck model: more high-z galaxies (Klypin et al. 2021)

Bullock & Boylan-Kolchin 2017

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Dayal & Giri 2023

Hirano & Yoshida 2023

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Programs relevant for galaxies and cosmology

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The COSMOS-Web survey

the biggest survey

discover thousands of galaxies in the Epoch of Reionization

Casey Yang, et al. 2022

Summary

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 $M_{
m halo} \, [M_\odot]$