

### Astronomy in 1936

- ~1770: Messier catalogue
- 1888: NGC, IC catalogues
- Van Maanen's "contribution"
- 1920: Curtis-Shapley debate
- 1923: Hubble measured distance to M31
- 1929: Expanding universe
- 1936: *Realm of the Nebulae* described Hubble classification system.

100 inch telescope Completed 1918

Edwin Hubble

### The Types of Galaxies

Spirals

Also... Irregulars

Ellipticals

Barred Spirals

### Usual classes used at current time:

- E0-E7
- S0, Sa, Sab, Sb, Sbc, Sc, Scd, Sd, Sdm, Sm, Im, Ir (or amorphous)
- SB0, SBa, SBab, SBb, SBbc, SBc, SBcd, SBd, SBdm, SBm

#### General Properties of Galaxy Types

- E**
  - $M_B = -8$  to less than  $-23$
  - Mass =  $10^7 - 10^{13} M_\odot$
  - diameters  $< 1$  kpc – hundreds of kpc
- S**
  - $M_B = -16$  to  $-23$
  - Mass =  $10^9 - 10^{12} M_\odot$
  - luminous diameters 5-100 kpc
- Irr**
  - $M_B = -13$  to  $-20$
  - Mass =  $10^8 - 10^{10} M_\odot$
  - luminous diameters 1-10 kpc

E0 → E7  
 $10^*(1-b/a)$

Sa → Sc

- Bulge: disk ratio
- Tightness of winding
- Resolution of arms into star clusters & H II regions.

Ellipticals

Spirals

Barred Spirals

Irregulars

### Morphological Types of Local Galaxies

(images taken from Frei, Guhathakurta, Gunn & Tyson 1996)

T=5 (E) 2768 B/T=0.11, R=0.02	T=4 (E) 4466 B/T=0.74, R=0.01	T=3 (E) 4754 B/T=0.92, R=0.08	T=2 (E) 4528 B/T=0.76, R=0.01
T=1 (S0+) 4340 B/T=0.42, R=0.19	T=0 (S0a) 5701 B/T=0.88, R=0.20	T=1 (Sb) 5377 B/T=0.50, R=0.12	T=2 (Sb) 4824 B/T=0.07, R=0.08
T=3 (Sb) 3351 B/T=0.28, R=0.11	T=4 (Sbc) 3344 B/T=0.05, R=0.13	T=1 (Sc) 3596 B/T=0.05, R=0.28	T=0 (Scd) 5669 B/T=0.07, R=0.13
T=7 (Sc) 5585 B/T=0.12, R=0.09	T=8 (Sbc) 4242 B/T=0.00, R=0.22	T=9 (Sbc) 4861 B/T=0.02, R=0.17	T=10 (Irc) 4449 B/T=0.14, R=0.13

## Homework Assignment No. 1 Due Jan 16 (Friday)

### Classifying Galaxies

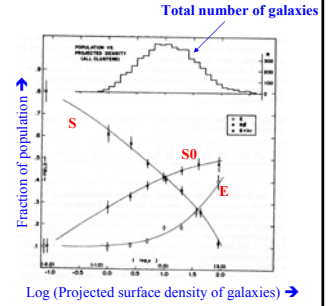
Good news, Professor Hubble! Even though it is 1936, you have been awarded access to the internet (at only \$39.95/month, directly chargeable to your VISA card). So you don't have to waste any more time freezing at telescopes in order to classify galaxies. You can just look at them over the web! Here's how:

- Find a computer with decent bandwidth over the internet.
- Point your web browser to [www.stsci.edu](http://www.stsci.edu)
- Click on "Digitized sky survey" on the side-bar.
- Now click on "retrieve image data" buried in the middle of the text.
- Set "File Format" to GIF. (You may have to reset this each time you get a new image).
- Leave the other defaults alone: "First Generation Survey", etc.
- Look at the images of the galaxies at the coordinates listed below.
- Write down your best guess at the Hubble class of each galaxy, with a brief description of the galaxy and of why you gave it whatever Hubble class you picked.

RA	Dec	Epoch
12 20 07	29 16 50	J2000
12 48 36	-05 48 00	J2000

## Distribution of galaxy types

- Dense regions (cluster centers) predominantly ellipticals.
- Field galaxies predominantly spirals.
- On average, roughly even split between E and S.



Dressler 1980

## Spiral galaxies

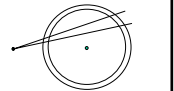
- Holmberg radius  $r_H$ 
  - Length of semi-major axis down to 26.5 B-mag arcsec<sup>-2</sup>
- Effective radius  $r_e$ 
  - Radius within which 1/2 of light is emitted.

USE TRANSPARENCY

- Disks follow exponential law
- Freeman's law
  - Most disks have about same surface brightness at their centers
  - Reason not clear
  - This observational result is now in dispute

## Rotation Curves

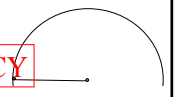
- Spherical mass shell, uniform density:



•  $F_{\text{centripetal}} = F_{\text{gravity}}$

USE TRANSPARENCY

- Inside spherical mass distribution:



- Outside mass distribution:

- Sph. Distr. + exponential disk

Show spectrograph slit positions

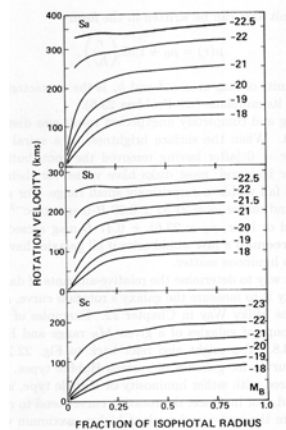
## Mass Determinations for Spiral Galaxies

### Rotation Curves

- Flat rotation curves → dark matter

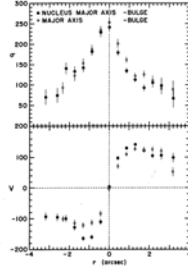
M33 Rotation curve

Density Distribution of Dark Matter halo



## Mass determinations from absorption line widths

- Virial Theorem  
 $2K = -U$   
 $\langle v^2 \rangle = 3 \langle v_z^2 \rangle$   
 $\rightarrow \sigma^2 = GM/(SR)$
- See pp. 1005-1008, + Sect. 2.4
- Applied to nuclei of spirals  $\rightarrow$  presence of massive black holes
- Also applied to
  - E galaxies
  - Galaxy clusters



## The Virial Theorem [CO 2.4]

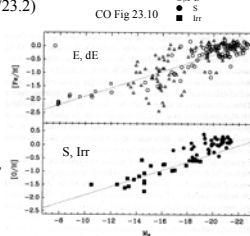
- For gravitationally bound systems *in equilibrium*
  - Total energy =  $\frac{1}{2}$  time-averaged potential energy.
- $E$  = total energy  
 $U$  = potential energy.  
 $K$  = kinetic energy.  
 $E = K + U$
- Can show from Newton's 3 laws + law of gravity:
  - $\frac{1}{2} (d^2I/dt^2) - 2K = U$  where  $I = \sum m_i r_i^2 =$  moment of inertia.
  - Time average  $\langle d^2I/dt^2 \rangle = 0$ , or at least  $\sim 0$ .
  - Virial theorem  $\rightarrow -2\langle K \rangle = \langle U \rangle$   
 $\langle K \rangle = -\frac{1}{2} \langle U \rangle$   
 $\langle E \rangle = \langle K \rangle + \langle U \rangle \rightarrow$   
 $\langle E \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \langle U \rangle$

## Mass to Light Ratios: Evidence for Dark Matter

## Tuning-Fork Diagram

## Trends in spiral galaxies (see CO Tables 23.1/23.2)

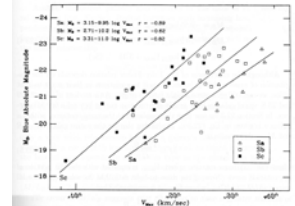
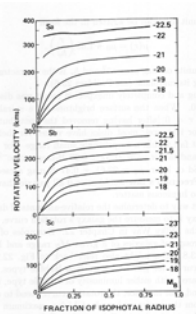
- Mass/Light ratios
  - Sa  $\rightarrow$  Sc:  $M/L_B = 6.2 \rightarrow 2.6$
  - Sc's dominated by younger, hotter, more massive stars.
- Colors
  - Sa  $\rightarrow$  Sc:  $B-V = 0.75 \rightarrow 0.52$
  - Bluer colors  $\rightarrow$  Sc's dominated by younger, hotter stars.
- $M_{gas}/M_{total}$ 
  - Sa  $\rightarrow$  Sd:  $M_{gas}/M_{total} = 0.04 \rightarrow 0.25$
- Molecular/atomic hydrogen
  - Sa  $\rightarrow$  Sd:  $M_{H2}/M_{HI} = 2.2 \rightarrow 0.3$
- Metallicity
  - Depends on absolute magnitude
- No. of Globular Clusters/Total Luminosity



CO Fig 23.12

## Tully-Fisher Relation

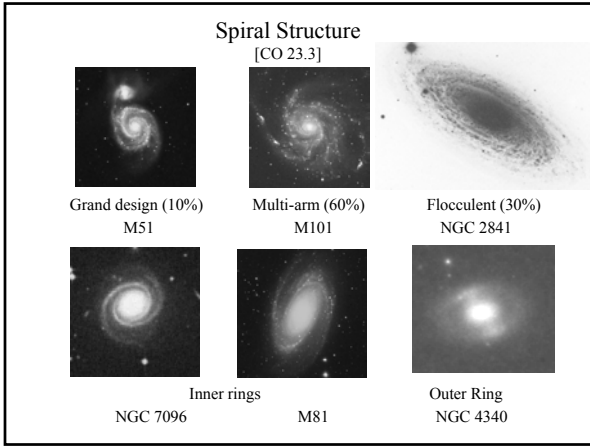
### Rotation Curves



- Maximum rotation velocity-Luminosity relation [FIG 23.8]
- Tully-Fisher relation [FIG 23.9]
  - $M_B = -9.95 \log_{10} V_{Max} + 3.15$  (Sa)
  - $M_B = -10.2 \log_{10} V_{Max} + 2.71$  (Sb)
  - $M_B = -11.0 \log_{10} V_{Max} + 3.31$  (Sc)

### CO Semi-Derivation

- Follows from  $M(r) = v^2 r / G$



### What causes spiral structure?

- Winding up of arms
  - Due to differential rotation
- Stochastic, Self-Propagating Star Formation
  - Chain-reaction star formation
  - SN shells → shock fronts → density enhancements → star formation → more SN
  - Differential rotation then winds these regions up into spiral patterns
- Density Waves
  - Wave in gravitational potential
  - Orbital velocity of stars different than pattern speed
    - Stars, gas bunch up at position of spiral arms
    - Causes higher grav. Potential
- Unclear if self-sustaining or forced.

### Spiral Arms & the Interstate Highway

- Density wave
  - Spiral arms have higher density than space between arms
  - Excess gravitational attraction slows down gas, stars when they pass through spiral arm in course of their orbits.
  - spiral arms are a traffic jam

### Epicycles... the short form.

For lurid details, see [CO pp.1018-1030]

Define an effective potential:

$$\Phi_{\text{eff}}(R, z) \equiv \Phi(R, z) + \frac{J_z^2}{2R^2}$$

$$\ddot{R} = -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{eff}}}{\partial R}$$

$$\ddot{z} = -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{eff}}}{\partial z}$$

Conservation of  $J_z$  → acceleration in  $\phi$  direction when  $r$  changes.

Taylor series expansion around position of minimum  $\Phi_{\text{eff}}$  (circular orbit):

$$\Phi_{\text{eff}}(R, z) = \Phi_{\text{eff},m} + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_{\text{eff}}}{\partial R^2} \rho^2 + \frac{\partial^2 \Phi_{\text{eff}}}{\partial z^2} z^2 + \dots$$

$$\Phi_{\text{eff}}(R, z) \approx \Phi_{\text{eff},m} + \frac{1}{2} \kappa^2 \rho^2 + \frac{1}{2} \nu^2 z^2$$

Separate  $d^2r/dt^2$  into  $R, \phi, z$  components → 3 equations.

$$R - R\dot{\phi}^2 = -\frac{\partial \Phi_{\text{eff}}}{\partial R}$$

$$\frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial (R^2 \dot{\phi})}{\partial t} = 0$$

Conservation of specific angular momentum  $J_z = R^2 d\phi/dt$

$\ddot{\rho} \approx -\kappa^2 \rho$

$\ddot{z} \approx -\nu^2 z$

### Harmonic oscillation in $R, \phi, z$ about circular orbit (Epicycles)

$\ddot{\rho} \approx -\kappa^2 \rho$

$\ddot{z} \approx -\nu^2 z$

$\rho(t) = R(t) - R_m = A_R \sin \kappa t$

$z(t) = A_z \sin (\nu t + \zeta)$

$\phi(t) = \phi_0 + \frac{J_z}{R_m^2} t + \frac{2J_z}{\kappa R_m^3} A_R \cos \kappa t = \phi_0 + \Omega t + \frac{2\Omega}{\kappa R_m} A_R \cos \kappa t$

$\Omega_p$  calculated from rotation curve for Milky Way.

In inertial frame:

Orbits closed if:  $m(\Omega - \Omega_p) = n\kappa$

$\Omega_p(R) = \Omega(R) - \frac{\pi}{\kappa} K(R)$

Viewed from frame rotating with  $\Omega_p$ :

Two ways to line up closed elliptical orbits (as seen from frame rotating with  $\Omega_p$ )

### Basic nature of a density wave

From: Toomre, Annual Review of Astronomy & Astrophysics, 1977 Vol. 15, 437.

At each  $R_m$ , stars' positions in epicycles are forced into a specific pattern by gravitational potential of spiral arm.

Sum of positions of stars at this  $R_m$  forms an ellipse rotating at pattern speed.

Spiral density pattern is sum of many ellipses, all rotating at same pattern speed.

Pendulum example

