The Void Galaxy Survey: morphology and star formation properties of void galaxies

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The Void Galaxy Survey (VGS)

21 cm Westerbork Synthesis Radio Telescope



Near-UV

GALEX Telescope

H-α MDM 2.4m Hiltner Telescope 3.6 & 4.5 µm Spitzer





B & R –band INT 2.5m

- Color magnitude; B-band & Spitzer 3.6 µ
- Morphology: structural parameters; n, re, h
- Star formation properties: *H*_a & *near-UV*
- Are they a separate class of galaxies?
- How different are their observed properties compared to other galaxies?

VGS galaxies: their identities



VGS galaxies in the parameter space of r_e and M_B in B-band, adopted from Mo et al. (2010)

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VGS galaxies: structural parameters and stelar mass



Ratio of r_e of different bands, Sérsic indices and stellar mass

 $re_B/re_{3.6}$ / M_* / re_B

This shows that light in the smaller galaxies is more concentrated in B

Also, SF is more concentrated in the smaller galaxies, or more in the outer parts of the larger objects.
Extinction could contribute as well.

n < 2 in both bands : late type galaxies

VGS galaxies: color



color - magnitude - re

- SAURON red sequence (Falcón-Barroso et al. 1011), elliptical, old stars
- faintest galaxies are the youngest
- massive VGS galaxies are reddened by dust

VGS galaxies: structural parameters





- $h_{VGS} < h_{Spirals}$, $M_B v_{GS} > M_B s_{pirals}$ but μ_0 is in similar range
 - $M_B v_{GS} > M_B d_E$, $\mu_0 v_{GS} < \mu_0 d_E$ but n and r_e in similar order



- VGS similar to late types in terms of disk presence and μ_0 but smaller and fainter.
- VGS similar to dE in terms of size but they are brighter.



How do they look like?



Spiral



Edge-on



Irregular



Compact



AGN



How do they look like?



VGS 31: an interacting galaxy system along a filament in a void



Beygu et al. (2013)

VGS 31: Filament inside void



A density enhancement in an underlying tenuous dark matter filament?

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VGS 31: filament inside void



A density enhancement in an underlying tenuous dark matter filament?

Another filament?

Another filament?

- A major merger and two companions
- Common HI envelop?

VGS galaxies: Star formation properties

VGS galaxies: color- specific star formation - stellar mass relation

- VGS galaxies are star forming galaxies, not starburst (occasional)
- SFR < 1.5 M_{\odot} yr⁻¹ (except VGS 31 and couple more)
- Small galaxies suffer more from stochasticity, effecting H_a sample more as result of recent star formation.

VGS galaxies: Star formation properties

VGS galaxies in Kennicut-Schimidt relation

Low star formation, average HI density regime

SFEs (SFR/M_{HI}) and S-SFRs (SFR/M*) per M*

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- compared to intermediate density environment galaxies; LV galaxies (Karachentsev et al. 2013), ALFALFA, JCMT
- There is no significant difference, similar trend, also not each mass bin equ.

- SFE (SFR/M_{HI}) S_SFR (SFR/ M*) per M_{HI}
- similar to previous comparison, there is no significant difference

Emission line properties and AGN population

- VGS galaxies in the BPT diagram
- Based on SDSS spectra
- Star forming, HII galaxies
 - **1 AGN out of 59 void galaxies**

Summary and Discussion

- VGS galaxies mostly consist of blue late-type disk galaxies.n < 2
- There are occasional red early types, AGN and irregular galaxies.
- There is a population of interacting/ maj. merging galaxies apart from the isolated (without companion) void galaxies
 - VGS galaxies are star forming galaxies.
- S_SFRs and SFEs per M* and M_{HI} are similar to those of field / intermediate density environment galaxies.
 - VGS may evolve to be large dEs
 - Voids in our sample don't seem to be populated by a particular type of void galaxy; environment has an effect on M^{*} and size ?

Emission line properties and AGN population

- complete void galaxy sample
- · 2 AGNs
- consistent with 60 VGS

VGS galaxies and the cosmic web

 VGS galaxies and the density distribution over the different components of the cosmic web (courtesy of Marius Cautun)

