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Spectroscopic Bulge-Disc Decomposition of Galaxies

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Dressler 1980







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How to decompose a galaxy spectrum

Use the light profile as a function of wavelength **BUDDI**

(Bulge Disc Decomposition of IFU data)

Use the different kinematics

PPXF

(Cappellari & Emsellem, 2004)



Johnston et al, submitted



Tabor et al, in prep



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• Uses GalfitM (Bamford et al, in prep), a multi-waveband version of Galfit (Peng et al, 2002)



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Example analysis with BUDDI light-weighted stellar populations



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Example analysis with BUDDI



mass-weighted stellar populations



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• Assumptions:

- rotation dominated disc
- dispersion dominated bulge

• Costraints:

 use photometric decomposition to measure fraction of light of each component in each bin





Constrained kinematic decomposition Decomposing NGC6427



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How to achieve a good fit

- Fit can be achieved to both components if:
 - light fraction is constrained by photometric decomposition
 - fraction of light for both components >30%
 - S/N > 25%
 - fits are repeated for a 5x5 grid of initial velocities

Summary

- IFU observations of S0 galaxies are just begging to be decomposed into bulge and disc components, and we are now developing to told to do so
 - BUDDI
 - constrained kinematic decomposition
- We are now in a position to spectroscopically separate the light from bulges and discs
- Our next step is to apply these decompositions to a large sample of S0 galaxies. The information that can be derived through these two techniques can help us understand how these galaxies transformed.