

Outline



- Homework due on Friday– 11:50 am
- Honor credit—need to have those papers soon!
- Exam 2 Grades are posted.
- THE FINAL IS DECEMBER 15th: 7-10pm!
 - Style...

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- Galaxies are the Fundamental "Ecosystems" of the Universe.
- Hubble's Classification Scheme.
- Galaxies tend to cluster and supercluster—structures of the Universe.
- The Local Group.
- The Local Cluster.
- Dark Matter in Clusters.
- Collisions
- Hubble's Law

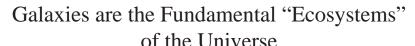
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Astronomy: The Big Picture





- The cosmic engines that turn gas into stars and stars back into gas.
- In between no star formation occurs— "nothing happens" in intergalactic space.
- Are recently discovered (by Edwin Hubble in late 1920's)
- Can be classified by morphology (shapes and sizes).

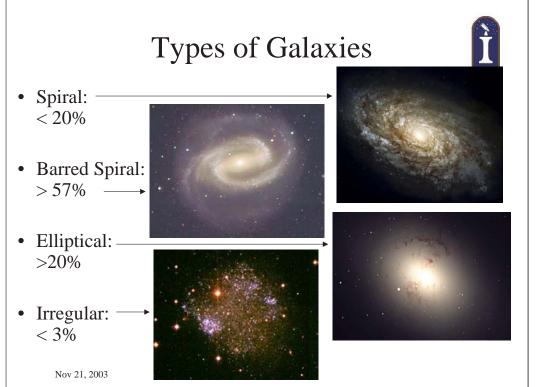


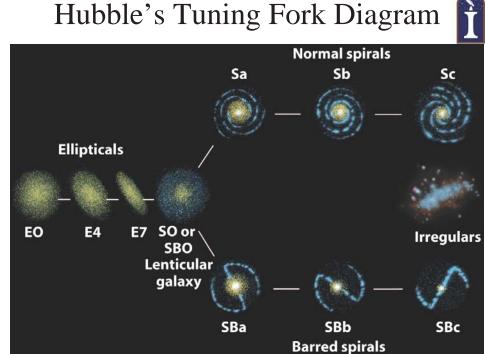
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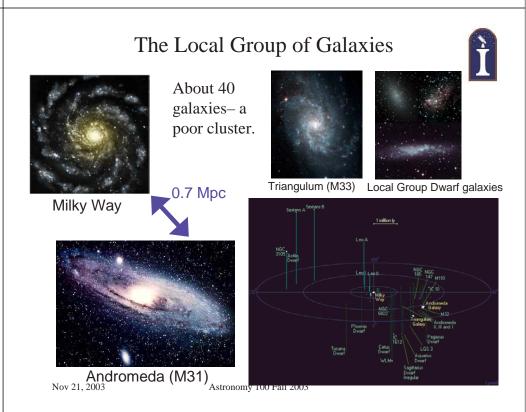




Galaxies Are not Alone

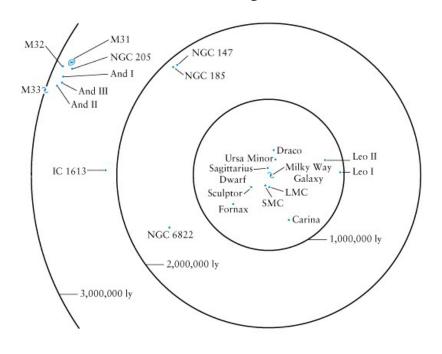


- Galaxies are not scattered randomly throughout the Universe
- Galaxies are found in *clusters*
 - The Milky Way is part of the *Local Group* of about 40 galaxies
- Clusters of galaxies are clustered as well in groups called *superclusters*
 - Our Local Group is part of the *Local Supercluster*
- The majority of space is empty called *voids*.



The Local Group of Galaxies





The Local Galaxy Clusters



- 800 Mly sphere, centered on the Earth
- Galaxies live in clumps called clusters. which are in clumps called superclusters

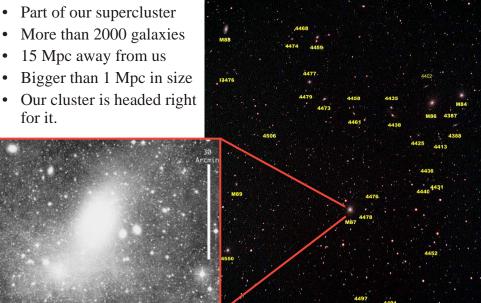
Region hidden by Milky Way Coma • Centaurus Hydra **Ophiuchus** Virgo Local 100M ly group(Earth) Fornax **Perseus-Pisces** attractor Galactic Puppis plane

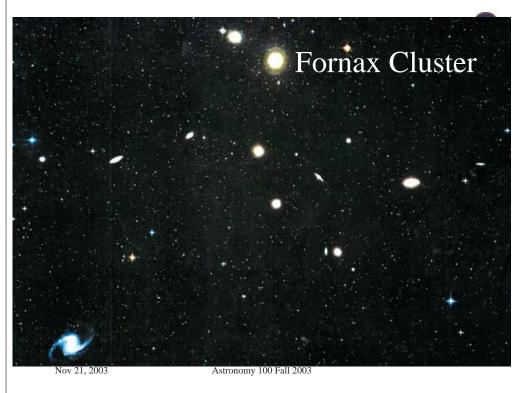
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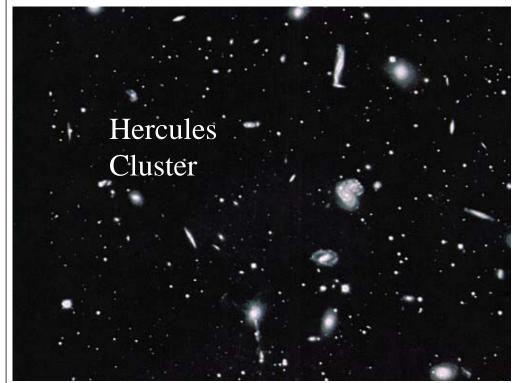


The Virgo Cluster

- More than 2000 galaxies
- 15 Mpc away from us
- Our cluster is headed right for it.

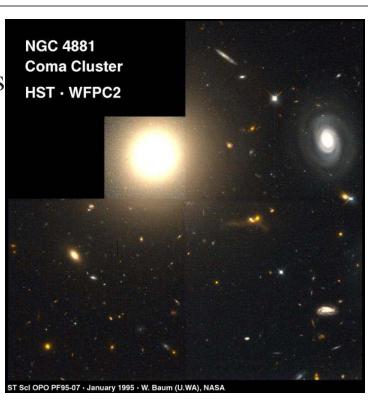






Giant Ellipticals

- Often 1 or 2 in a large cluster
- More ellipticals in general in clusters.
- Grow by accretion.
- How are they formed?
- Nature or Nurture?

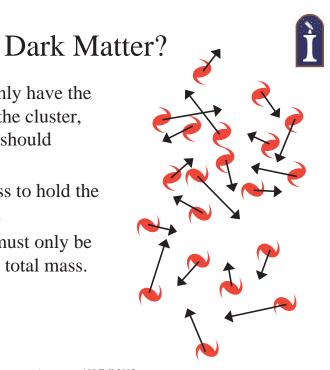


• If the clusters only have the visible mass in the cluster, then the cluster should

dissipate.

• Not enough mass to hold the cluster together.

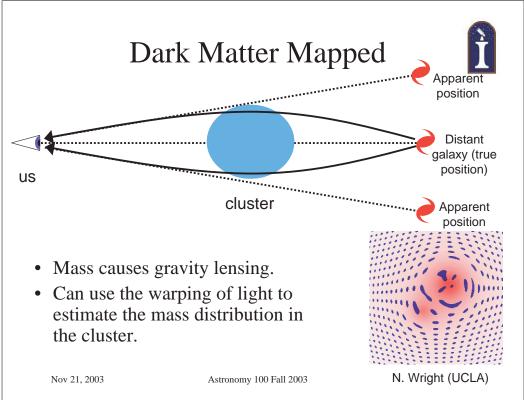
- Visible matter must only be about 1% of the total mass.
- Dark Matter.



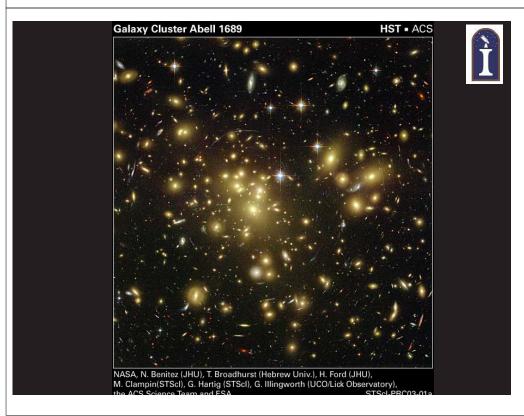
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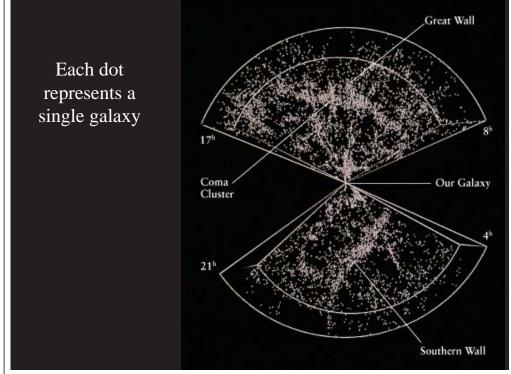
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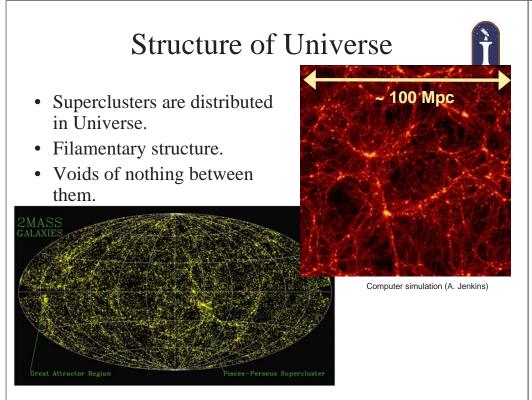
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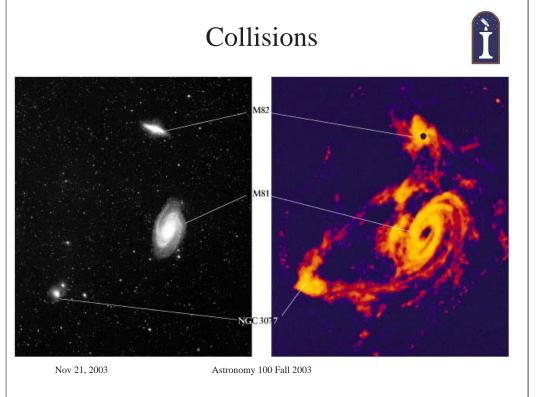


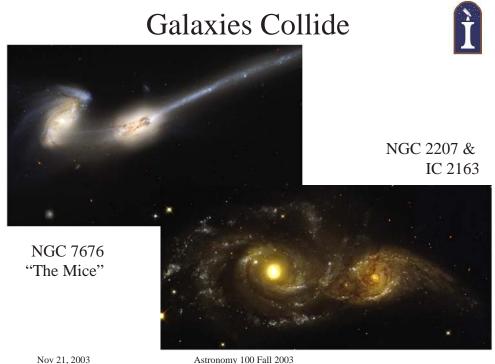












Collisions



Galaxy Collisions



- They do not involve colliding stars—but rather gravitational fields
- Might form hot intergalactic gas

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- Could initiate rapid star formation called *Starburst Galaxies*
- Collision causes stars to be scattered into "tails"
- Causes galaxy mergers called "galactic cannibalism"

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Computer simulation of two galaxies colliding by John Dubinski and Lars Hernquist



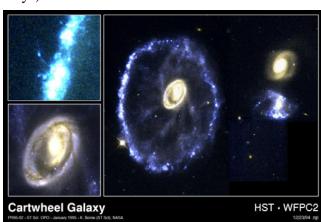
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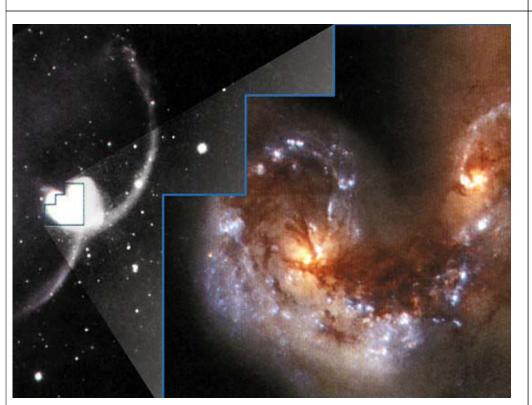
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Starburst Galaxies



- Galaxies with enhanced rates of star formation
- Usually forming massive stars for a short period (few Myr).
- Probably due to collisions





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How are Galaxies Moving?



It's 1928, and Edwin Hubble is measuring how galaxies move. What does he find?

- a) More galaxies receding than approaching.
- b) More galaxies approaching than receding.
- c) About equal numbers of each.

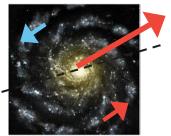
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Run Away



- Most Galaxies are moving away from us.
 - Did you bathe today?
- The farther away, the faster they are moving away.
- Or $V \propto D$
- The overall spectrum is the sum of all the emission.
- The rotation speeds are small wrt recession speed

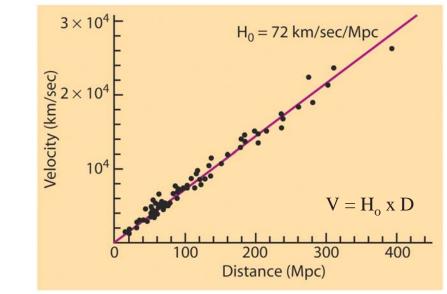


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Hubble's Law





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