Photophysics and evolution of cosmic PAHs at the JWST era

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Infrared observation of the interstellar medium



M81 (spitzer)

Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAH) (Leger & Puget 1984, Tielens, Allamandolla & Barker 1985) 2

Ubiquitous emission of PAHs



The identification problem in the interstellar medium



But we can find some tendencies!

Spatial variations of mid-IR spectra



Blind signal separation for astronomical PAH spectroscopy



Necessity to pretreat the data

- Not the same spectral resolution and binning in each spectrum
- Gaz lines
- Dust and star continuums
 - Non-negative least square fit to get only the AIBs



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MASS: Maximum Angle Signal Separation (Boulais et al. (2015), IRAP-SISU, Thesis defence dec. 2017)

NMF: non-Negative Matrix Factorization

(algorithm used from Lin 2007)

Spectral reconstruction



Futur work with JWST data

This study was made in preparation of the JWST launch



Spitzer-IRS

ISO-SWS

JWST- NIRSpec/MIRI

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Thank you for your attention!



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NMF Initialisation with MASS

• Maximum Angle Source Separation, Boulais et al. 2015



Allow to determine in the data the vectors that are the most distant in term of angle

NMF initialisation with MASS solution near to the expected solution.

