Probing the Epoch of Reionization



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The Epoch of Reionization (EoR)



Robertson et al. (2010)

1.17 1.18 1.19 Observed wavelength (μm)

cm⁻² s⁻¹ Å⁻¹)

Be

Offset (")

0.4

Z=8.6 galaxy??



Wavelength (Å)

Vanzella et al. (2010)

Lehnert et al. (2010)

Spectral offset (Å)

Cosmic reionization

the radiative transfer model (lliev et al. 2006)

Galaxies (blue dots) and ionized bubbles (orange)

Open Questions (1) Evolution of Neutral Hydrogen Fraction

Z

- $-z\sim 6$: QSO Gunn-Peterson test
- z~11: CMB Thomson scattering optical depth
 sharp reionization or extended reionization (Dunkley+09)?

Two Limits on Reionization History

Thomson scattering optical depth: z_{ion}=10.5+/-1.2 (Dunkley+09, Komatsu+09, Larson+10),

if reionization is instantaneous Problem: no time resolution...

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 sharp reionization (e.g. Fukugita+94) or extended reionization (Dunkley+09)?

Z

Open Questions (2) Ionization process

Inside-out? Outside-in?

Or filament-last?

Finlator+09

– The ionization process: How did the ionized regions extend?

- Depending on distribution of ionizing sources and IGM density
- Inside-out (e.g. Furlanetto et al. 2004), outside-in (e.g. Miralda-Escude et al. 2000), or filament-last (Finlator et al. 2009).

Not enough S/N with the present 21cm-obs facilities such as LOFAR

LAE as a Probe of Cosmic Reionization Lya emitters (LAEs): high-z SF galaxies

ii) Broader line width (by ~10% level)

iii) Clustering of observed LAEs is boosted.

1. SUBARU+KECK SURVEYS

Subaru Surveys for LAEs at z~7

Subaru/XMM-Newton Deep Survey field (SXDS ; 1 deg²;i=27.0) [2^h18^m00^s ,-5°00'00'']

200 Mpc (comoving)

Previous survey in SDF(0.2 deg²;i=27.4) [13^h24^m39^s ,+27°29'26"]

The largest-area galaxy survey beyond redshift 6

(Furusawa+08)

Sizes of HUDF and ERS for HST/WFC3 galaxies at z>6

XMM-Newton 0.5-2 (Ueda+08) VLA 1.4 GHz (Simpson+06)

(Kashikawa+06)

X-ray to Radio

+Available deep X-ray(XMM), UV(GALEX), NIR(UKIDSS-UDS), IR(Spitzer/SEDS, SpUDS), Submm(SCUBA+Az Radio(VLA,GMRT)

207 Ly α Emitters at z=6.6

(Continuum color for \tilde{L} a trough)

Color magnitude diagram

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Spectroscopic Confirmation

Keck/DEIMOS

- Spec. confirmation with 10m-Keck/DEIMOS (2007-2008) and 6.5m-Magellan/IMACS(2007-2010) 28 LAEs (16 of 28 by Keck/DEIMOS)
 - □ No foreground contaminants in our follow-up spectra + 3233 SXDS spec. catalog.
 - Fraction of contamination (foreground interloper) is quite low (0-30%).

2. EVOLUTION OF LYA LUMINOSITY FUNCTION

Lya LF Evolution from z=5.7 to z=6.6: Signature of Galaxy Evolution and/or Reionization

Lya Luminosity Function (Lya LF)

- Different claims of LF evolution. No evolution vs. decrease (Malhotra+04, Hu+05/06, Kashikawa+06).
- The new large Subaru data in independent cosmic volumes show the decrease of LF from z=5.7-6.6 at >90% CL. Statistically, pure lum.(L*) dimming by 30% is more preferable.
- Signature of reionization and/or galaxy formation? Galaxy formation effect (SFR density decrease; e.g. Bouwens+08, Ouchi+09, Oesch+10). Any contributions from cosmic reionization??

Transmission of Lya (through IGM): Contribution from Cosmic Reionization

- Three scenarios
 - T^{Lya}(z=6.6)/T^{Lya}(z=5.7)=0.7 (No galaxy evolution and no f^{Lya} evolution)
 - $T^{Lya}(z=6.6)/T^{Lya}(z=5.7)=1.0 (w/galaxy evolution)$
 - $T^{Lya}(z=6.6)/T^{Lya}(z=5.7)=0.8$ (w/ galaxy evolution and f^{Lya} evolution)
- In either case, $T^{Lya}(z=6.6)/T^{Lya}(z=5.7)$ is near unity, 0.8±0.2. There would exist the evolution owing to reionization, but a contribution from reionization is mild.
- Comparing our result of T^{Lya}(z=6.6)/T^{Lya}(z=5.7) =0.8, all models indicate x_{HI}<~0.2+/-0.2.

2. EVOLUTION OF CLUSTERING

Clustering of LAEs at z~7

- − We see no significant increase of clustering from from z=5.7 to 6.6 → Negligible enhancement of clustering amplitude by reionization at z=6.6.
- − Upper limits: $x_{HI} \leq 0.5$ (McQuinn+07); $x_{HI} \leq 0.5$ (Furlanetto+06) → Constraints from clustering: $x_{HI} \leq 0.5$

3. EVOLUTION OF LYA LINE PROFILE

Lyα Line Width

- No significant Lya line broadening at the level of >14%
- No signature of anti-correlation in Lya Velocity-luminosity relation
 → No signature of x_{HI}~1 (cf. Haiman & Cen 2005)

Cosmic Reionization History

• Our constraints on neutral fraction: $x_{HI} < 0.2 \pm 0.2$ from LF, $x_{HI} < 0.5$ from clustering, $x_{HI} < 1$ from Lya line profile at z=6.6

Three independent estimates provide consistent results. Taking the strongest constraint $(x_{HI} < 0.2 \pm 0.2)$,

The relatively early reionization is favorable.

4. REIONIZATION PROBED WITH DROPOUT GALAXIES

Three Similar arXiv papers appear in ~a week

SPECTROSCOPIC CONFIRMATION OF THREE z-DROPOUT GALAXIES AT z = 6.844 - 7.213: LYMAN ALPHA DEMOGRAPHY OF $z \sim 7$ GALAXIES[‡]

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ABSTRACT

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We present the results of our ultra-deep Keck/DEIMOS spectroscopy of z-dropout galaxies in the SDF and GOODS-N. For 3 out of 11 objects, we detect an emission line at ~ 1µm with a signal-to-noise ratio of ~ 10. The lines show asymmetric profiles with high weighted skewness values, consistent with being Lya, yielding redshifts of z = 7.213, 6,965, and 6.844. Specifically, we confirm the z = 7.213 object in two independent DEIMOS runs with different spectroscopic configurations. The z = 6,965 object is a known Lya emitter, IOK-1, for which our improved spectrum at a higher resolution yields a robust skewness measurement. The three z-dropouts have Lya fluxes of 3×10^{-17} erg s⁻¹ cm⁻² and rest-frame equivalent widths EW₀^{Lya} = 33 - 43Å. Based on the largest spectroscopy sample of 43

Our team (Ono, MO et al. 2011)

SPECTROSCOPIC CONFIRMATION OF Z~ 7 LBGS: PROBING THE EARLIEST GALAXIES AND THE EPOCH OF REIONIZATION

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ABSTRACT

We present the final results from our ultra-deep spectroscopic campaign with FORS2 at the ESO/VLT for the confirmation of $z \simeq 7$ "z–band dropout" candidates selected from our VLT/Hawk-I imaging survey over three independent fields. In particular we report on two newly discovered galaxies at redshift ~ 6.7 in the NTT deep field: both galaxies show a Ly α emission line with rest-frame EWs

KECK SPECTROSCOPY OF FAINT 3 < Z < 8 LYMAN BREAK GALAXIES:- EVIDENCE FOR A DECLINING FRACTION OF EMISSION LINE SOURCES IN THE REDSHIFT RANGE 6 < Z < 8

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ABSTRACT

Using deep Keck spectroscopy of Lyman break galaxies selected from infrared imaging data taken with the Wide Field Camera 3 onboard the Hubble Space Telescope, we present new evidence for a reversal in the redshift-dependent fraction of star forming galaxies with detectable Lyman alpha (Lyα) emission in the redshift range 6.3 < z < 8.8. Our earlier surveys with the DEIMOS spectrograph demonstrated a significant increase with redshift in the fraction of line emitting galaxies over the interval 4 < z < 6, particularly for intrinsically faint systems which dominate the luminosity density. Using the longer wavelength sensitivities of LRIS and NIRSPEC, we have targeted 19 Lyman break galaxies selected using recent WFC3/IR data whose photometric redshifts are in the range 6.3 < z < 8.8 and which span a wide range of intrinsic luminosities. Our spectroscopic exposures typically reach

US+UK team (Schenker et al. 2011)

European team

(Pentericci et al. 2011)

Very active (+competitive) field!!

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Subaru z-dropout samples

- Samples of z-dropouts in SDF+GOODS (observations in 2007-2009)
 - 1568 arcmin² with y=26.1 (2-3 mag shallower, but ~100 times larger area than HST/WFC3; e.g. Bouwens et al. 2010)
 - z-dropouts(z-y>1.5&lacking blue flux)
 - 22 z~7 dropout candidates

Spectroscopic Identification of Galaxies at z=6.844-7.213

 z=7.213 galaxy: Most distant galaxy confirmed to date!? (cf. Lehnert et al. 2010 and Vanzella et al. 2010)

Lya Emitting Galaxy Fraction (Summary of the 3 papers: 43 galaxies)

- The fraction of Lya emitting galaxies is low, ~20%. \rightarrow Signature of reionization?
- The amplitude of drop is larger in faint galaxies than in bright galaxies →suggestive of inside-out reionization.

Cosmic Reionization History

- This drop of X_{Lya} corresponds to x_{HI}~0.4-0.6 based on RT and MC simulations (Schenker+11,Pentericci+11).
- It is consistent within the 1-2 sigma error of the LAE test, but largely scattered.
- Large uncertainties that cannot distinguish sharp and extended reionization.

Next Generation Survey with Hyper Suprime-Cam and PFS

- Reducing the errors of IGM ionized fraction down to ~10% (model variance limit)
- Concluding reionization process (inside-out, outside-in, or filament-last)

Very Large+Detailed Cosmological Simulations

- N-body, SPH, radiative transfer (RT) simulations for the size of HSC survey (~1Gpc; Umemura, Mori [Tsukuba], Inoue [OsakaSangyo], et al.)
- Two step simulations
 - For detailed galaxy formation and ionizing photon emission processes (fesc evolution, faint galaxies+suppression etc; ~100kpc)
 - ~1Gpc size N-body and RT simulations (~resolution: 100kpc)
 - → comparing it with HSC obs. results (addressing fesc evolution, faint galaxies, and ionization process).

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K computer (京)

SPH simulations with RT(Yajima+09)

HSC+PFS results

N-body simulations (Springel+05)

Summary

- Subaru+Keck survey for reionization and galaxy formation. Based on the sample of 207 LAEs at z=6.6 (+22 z-dropouts at z~7) from Subaru/Suprime-Cam and Keck/DEIMOS observations, we obtain/perform
- Evolution of neutral hydrogen fraction with LAEs
 - − Lya LF decrease (but only 30% in L*) from z=5.7 to 6.6. $\rightarrow x_{HI} < 0.2$.
 - − First Identification of clustering(z>6).No significant rise of clustering amplitude $\rightarrow x_{HI} < 0.5$
 - − No Lya line broadening and anti-correlation of Lya luminosity-width relation $\rightarrow x_{HI} < 1.0$ All of three tests are consistent. : $x_{HI} < 0.2 \pm 0.2$ at $z^{-6.6}$
- Lya demography of z-dropouts
 - Discovery of z=7.213 galaxy. Most distant galaxy found to date?
 - Lya emitting galaxy fraction decreases from z^{6} to 7. Signature of neutral IGM increase? $x_{HI}^{0.4-0.6}$ at $z^{7?}$
 - The Lya emiting fraction of faint galaxies have a larger drop than that of bright galaxies→suggesting inside-out model.
- Results of LAE and dropout tests are consistent within the 1-2 sigma errors, but large errors dominated by statistics.
- Planned HSC and PFS survey and very large-scale simulations
 - Resolving the problem of large uncertainties, and Unveiling reionization history+proc.