Sensitive indices in SPS

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Stellar population synthesis (SPS)

1. Information in SEDs

star formation history (SFH)

stellar metallicity

abundance pattern

stellar initial mass function (IMF)

total mass in stars

the physical state and quantity of dust and gas

Stellar population synthesis (SPS)

2. methods of extracting information from the SEDs of galaxies combining mixtures of stars in ad hoc ways until a match was achieved with observations (e.g., Spinrad & Taylor 1971)

 \rightarrow incorporated physical constraints and automated fitting techniques (Faber 1972)

 \rightarrow stellar evolution theory in the 1980s and 1990s paved the way for the latter approach to become the de facto standard in modeling the SEDs of galaxies

Stellar population synthesis (SPS)



3. Data:

SEDs+Spectral indices: can be used to low resolution spectra

Full spectrum: require high resolution spectra

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Lick/IDS system

• Sensitive indices

- The Lick/IDS system is the most popular index system, defining 21 indices in the wavelength range 4000 6500 ° A (Burstein et al. 1984, Worthey et al. 1994)
- The LickX library has 63 spectral indices including the 25 from Worthey et al. (1994), Worthey & Ottaviani (1997), the modified $H\beta_0$ index of Cervantes & Vazdekis (2009)

1. Index Definitions

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j (1)	Name (2)	Index Bandpass (3)	Pseudocontinua (4)	Units (5)	Measures ^a (6)	Error ^b (7)	Notes (8)
1	CN ₁	4142.125-4177.125	4080.125-4117.625	mag	C, N, (O)	0.018	1, 2
2	CN_2	4142.125-4177.125	4083.875-4096.375 4244.125-4284.125	mag	C, N, (O)	0.019	1, 2
3	Ca4227	4222.250-4234.750	4211.000-4219.750 4241.000-4251.000	Å	Ca, (C)	0.25	1

NOTES.—(1) Wavelength definition has been refined. See text. (2) C, N are dominant as CN. (3) C is dominant as C_2 . (4) TiO appears at M0 and cooler.

^a Dominant species; species in parentheses control index in a negative sense (index weakens as abundance grows). See Tripicco & Bell 1995 and Worthey 1996.

^b Standard star error. See text.

1. Index Definitions

Index passbands are shown as shaded boxes. An indication of placement of pseudocontinua is shown as heavy lines connected by dotted lines on one of the four spectra for each index Worthey G. 1994. Ap. J. Suppl. 94:687-722



2. Absorption-Line Measurements

Molecular bands are expressed in magnitudes, while atomic features are expressed in angstroms of equivalent width.

$$EW = \int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} \left(1 - \frac{F_{I\lambda}}{F_{C\lambda}} \right) d\lambda$$
$$Mag = -2.5 \log \left[\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_2 - \lambda_1} \right) \int_{\lambda_1}^{\lambda_2} \frac{F_{I\lambda}}{F_{C\lambda}} d\lambda \right]$$

where $F_{I\lambda}$ and $F_{C\lambda}$ are the fluxes per unit wavelength in the index passband and the straight-line continuum flux in the index passband, respectively.⁶

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 Problem in SPS age-metallicity degeneracy burst age-burst strength degeneracy IMF-abundance degeneracy

1. The most promising indices are Hß and higher Balmer lines for age sensitivity, and Fe4668 (renamed C24668 later)and other promising metal sensitive indices

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	∆age
Index	ΔZ
U – V	1.
B - V	1.
$V - R_{\rm C}$	1.
$V - I_c$	1.
V - J	1.
V-K	1.
J-H	1.
J-K	1.
J-L	1.
J - L'	1.
J-M	1.
01 CN ₁	1.
02 CN ₂	2.
03 Ca4227	1.
04 G4300	1.
05 Fe4383	1.
06 Ca4455	2.
07 Fe4531	1.
08 Fe4668	4.
$09 H\beta \dots \dots$	0.
10 Fe5015	4.
11 Mg ₁	1.
12 Mg ₂	1.
13 Mg b	1.
14 Fe5270	2.
15 Fe5335	2.
16 Fe5406	2.
17 Fe5709	6.
18 Fe5/82	5.
19 Na D	2.
20 HO ₁	1.
21 110 ₂	2.
D(4000)	1.

/age

larger numbers indicating greater metallicity sensitivity

G4300 as a function of Fe4668. Ages 1.5,3,5,8,12, and 17 Gyr are shown, except for [Fe/H] = -0.5, for which only the oldest models are shown.

If the symbols are separated from each other in grid fashion, an age indicator has been discovered. If all points lie in a line, the situation is degenerate

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2. Extraction of information depends critically on the precise index definition adopted

Jones, L. A., & Worthey, G. 1995, ApJ, 446, L31



-age/metallicity

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Index	$d(\log age)/d(\log Z)$	Index	$d (\log age)/d(\log Z)$
Ηδ/λ4045	1.0	Fei ₁₁₈	1.4
$H\delta/\lambda 4063\ldots$	1.0	Cal _{HR}	1.6
Sr11/λ4045	1.2	Ηγ _{HR}	0.0
Sru/λ4063	1.3	Ηδ	1.1
Ηγ/λ4325	1.2	H_{γ}	1.0
λ4289/λ4271	1.4	Fe4668	4.9
λ4384/λ4352	1.5	Mg ₂	1.8
<i>p</i> [Fe/H]	1.5	B-V	1.4
λ3888/λ3859	1.2	Ηβ	0.6

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Relative Flux

3. Extraction of information depends critically on the locus of index definition adopted Cervantes, J. L., & Vazdekis, A. 2009, MNRAS, 392, 691



—age/metallicity

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The stronger age disentangling power of $H\beta_o$ is achieved by avoiding the metallic lines of the red pseudo-

continuum of $H\beta_{LICK}$.





Sensitive indices —age/strength

- The $H_{\delta}/\lambda 4045$ index decreases smoothly from spectral type K through A_0 , where it reaches a minimum value. For spectral types earlier than A_0 , $H_{\delta}/\lambda 4045$ increases again, due to the fact that the Baimer lines weaken in B and O stars.
- the Call H+He/Call K index (Ca II) is constant in stars later than about F2, but then decreases dramatically for earlier type stars as the Ca n lines weaken and He strengthens. The index also reaches a minimum at spectral type AO and then increases towards earlier spectral types as He fades at hotter temperatures.

----age/strength Leonardi, A. J., & Rose, J. A. 1996, AJ, 111, 182



Sensitive indices —IMF/abundance La Barbera F., et al. 2013, MNRAS, 433, 3017

• Imf-sensitive indice

Mg4780, TiO1, TiO2 SDSS, Na8190 SDSS, CaT

Combined with abundance indices can break the degeneracy