

THE STELLAR POPULATIONS OF GALAXIES

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One approach to learning about stellar populations is to study them at three different levels of resolution. First in our own Galaxy; secondly from nearby galaxies where stars can still be resolved; and thirdly in remote galaxies in which the stellar population can only be studied in integrated light.

This IAU Symposium covered the entire range of galaxies in its study of their stellar populations. Interspersed with theoretical papers, the wealth of observational results provides an important state-of-the-art presentation of the progress that has been made in this field.

Cover picture: The image was obtained with the DIRBE experiment on board of the COBE satellite (COBE=Cosmic Background Explorer). The image combines 1.2, 2.2, 3.4 microns represented as blue, green, and red. The image covers from 96 deg (Left Top) to 264 deg (Right Top) longitude.
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