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Abstract

In this project, we are working on detecting Dual Active Galactic Nuclei from a sample of 46000 galaxies taken from the Gothic Survey. Dual AGN (Active Galactic Nuclei) refers to a system in which two supermassive black holes are actively accreting matter and emitting high-energy radiation in a single galaxy. These dual AGN systems are believed to result from galaxy mergers or interactions, where two separate galaxies merge and bring their central supermassive black holes into proximity. Galaxy mergers are powerful drivers of galaxy evolution and galaxy growth. The individual galaxy nuclei can be either starburst (very large star formation rates), star forming or AGN in nature. If the nuclei are very close their emission lines will overlap and they will be double peaked. However double peaked emission lines are also due to outflows from star formation or AGN, or can be due to a rotating disk of hot ionized gas. Here we will examine the optical spectra from the GOTHIC survey, where both nuclei lie within a single fibre. After determining the sample of double nuclei galaxies we will investigate the origin of the double peaks. We will use their photometric data and MANGA data to make the color and BPT plots as well.

Keywords: SDSS, Galaxies , Dual AGNs , MANGA data, BPT Plots, Color Plots, outflows.

0.1 Introduction

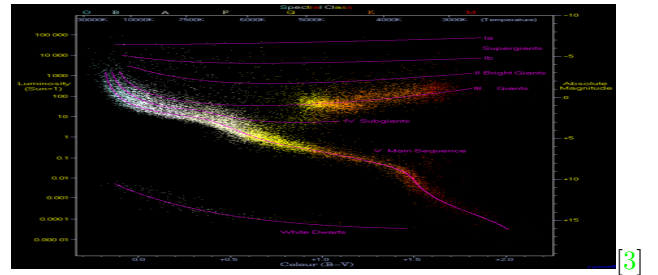
In this project we are dealing with stars, galaxies, galaxies mergers, AGNs as well as dual AGNs, thus we have to first start from the basic understanding of these celestial objects. In this section we will describe how the stars, galaxies as well as AGNs and Dual AGNs forms and behave in this cosmos.

0.1.1 Stars

Stars are self-gravitating gas masses that are protected from collapsing by pressure (both thermal and degeneracy). By examining a star's luminosities, which provide information on its motions, a surface temperature estimate (on the assumption of a black-body energy distribution). Although certain stars are supported by degeneracy pressure, which does not require nuclear fusion to balance its gravity, most stars are powered by nuclear fusion processes that occur in the interior layers of the stars.

We must start with the Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram

(HR Diagram)[2] in order to investigate a star's attributes because it depicts a star's absolute magnitude as a function of color for a specific stellar population. By displaying how many stars are in the main sequence and how many stars are in other branches, the HR diagram provides us an idea of the age of the stellar population. It also provides us with a sense of the population's metallicity, which may be determined by looking at the horizontal branch's pattern. Additional observables like absolute magnitude, apparent magnitude, distance modulus, hue, etc. can be used to measure the properties of stars in greater detail.



Stars can also be classified on the basis of their spectral classes, which is determined by the prominence of various absorption lines in their stellar spectra. In decreasing order of temperature the spectral classes are labelled as O,B,A,F,G,K, and M. The spectral classes are further subdivided into subclasses by the numbers 0,1,...,9.

0.1.2 Galaxies

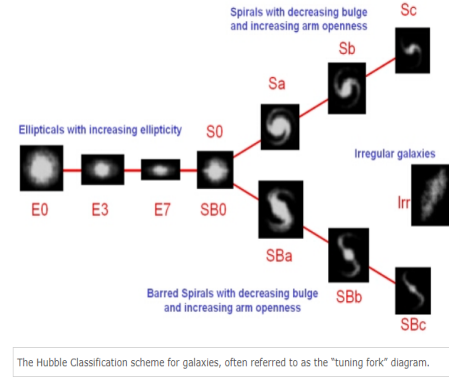
Galaxy, any of the systems of stars and interstellar matter that make up the universe. Many such assemblages are so enormous that they contain hundreds of billions of stars. Galaxies are classified by their morphologies:

Elliptical galaxies: These galaxies have an ellipsoidal shape, which gives them an elliptical appearance, regardless of the angle of view. They appear to have very little structure, and they usually have very little interstellar matter. Consequently, these galaxies also have a low portion of open clusters and a reduced rate of new star formation. Instead, they are dominated by generally older, more evolved stars orbiting the common center of gravity in random directions. The stars contain low abundances of heavy elements because star formation ceases after the initial burst. In this sense, they are similar to the much smaller globular clusters.

Spiral Galaxies: Spiral galaxies resemble spiraling pinwheels. Though the stars and other visible material in such a galaxy lie mainly on a plane, the majority of mass in spiral galaxies exists in a roughly spherical halo of dark matter which extends beyond the visible component, as demonstrated by the universal rotation curve concept. Some of the spiral galaxies have barred part in the central disk region along with the spiral arms. Spiral galaxies consist of a rotating disk of stars, interstellar medium, and a central bulge of generally older stars. Extending outward from the bulge are relatively bright arms.

Lenticular Galaxies: A lenticular galaxy is an intermediate form that has properties of both elliptical and spiral galaxies. These are categorized as Hubble type S0, and they possess ill-defined spiral arms with an elliptical halo of stars.

Irregular Galaxies: These type of galaxies fall under neither of the classifications. They are very irregular in shape and are labelled as Irr in Hubble Classification System.



0.1.3 Super Massive Black Hole (SMBH)

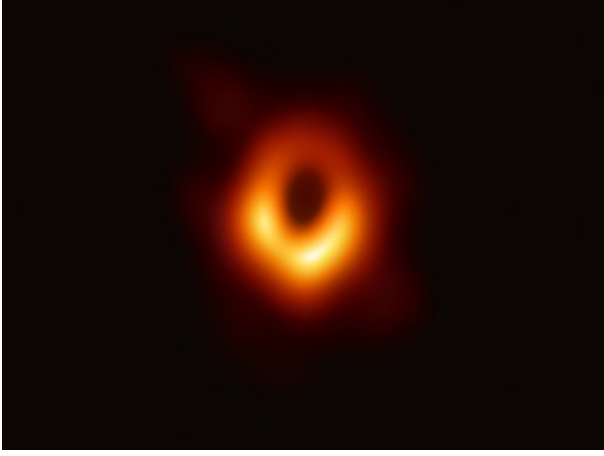
A supermassive black hole (SMBH or sometimes SBH) is the largest type of black hole, with its mass being on the order of hundreds of thousands, or millions to billions of times the mass of the Sun. Black holes are a class of astronomical objects that have undergone gravitational collapse, leaving behind spheroidal regions of space from which nothing can escape, not even light. Observational evidence indicates that almost every large galaxy has a supermassive black hole at its center. For example, the Milky Way has a supermassive black hole in its Galactic Center, corresponding to the radio source Sagittarius A. Accretion of interstellar gas onto supermassive black holes is the process responsible for powering active galactic nuclei (AGNs) and quasars.

Schwarzschild radius: The Schwarzschild radius or the gravitational radius is a physical parameter in the Schwarzschild solution to Einstein's field equations that corresponds to the radius defining the event horizon of a Schwarzschild black hole.

The Schwarzschild radius is given as

$$r_s = \frac{2GM}{c^2}$$

where G is the gravitational constant, M is the object mass, and c is the speed of light.



The first direct image of a supermassive black hole, located at the galactic core of Messier 87. It shows radio-wave emission from a heated accretion ring orbiting the object at a mean separation of 350 AU, or ten times larger than the orbit of Neptune around the Sun. The dark center is the event horizon and its shadow. [7]

0.1.4 Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)

A compact central region from which we observe substantial radiation that is not the light of stars or emission from the gas heated by them. Active nuclei emit strongly over the whole electromagnetic spectrum, including the radio, X-ray, and gamma-ray regions where most galaxies hardly radiate at all. The most powerful of them, the quasars, easily outshine their host galaxies.

Gases swirl around the black hole, forming an accretion disk. In the inner circle of the accretion disk, mass is absorbed into the black hole, while a part of it is released as radiation and highly energetic matter. The radiation from the accretion from the closest stable orbit, gives us information about the near event horizon environment. [4]

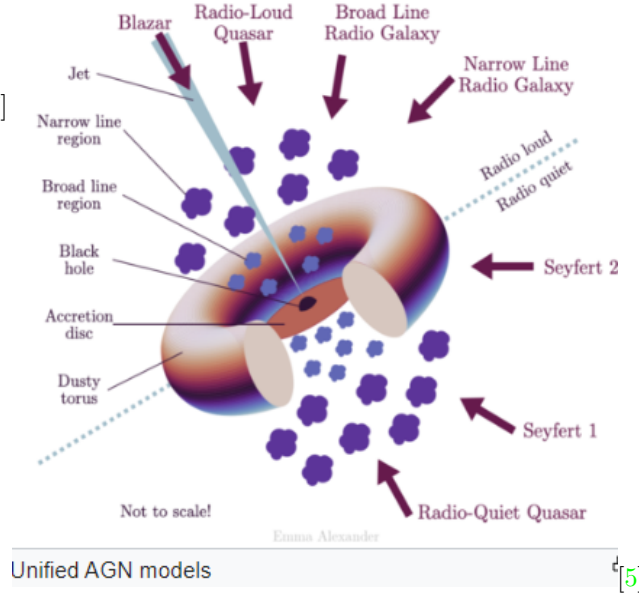
There are different types of active galactic nuclei from their contribution to the emission from the jets and the lobes which the jets inflate

Radio-Loud Galaxies: Radio-loud objects have emission contributions from both the jet(s) and the lobes that the jets inflate. These emission contributions dominate the luminosity of the AGN at radio wavelengths and possibly at some or all other wavelengths. These include the Blazars like OVV Quasars and BL Lac objects, and also the Radio galaxies.

Radio-Quiet Galaxies: Radio-quiet objects are simpler since jet and any jet-related emission can

be neglected at all wavelengths. These include the Seyferts, LINERs, Radio-quiet quasars and Quasars 2s types of galaxies.

There is another theory to classify AGNs according to Unified models which propose that different observational classes of AGN are a single type of physical object observed under different conditions. There are two types of unified models now, these are Radio-quiet unification and Radio-Loud unification theory.



The accretion luminosity (L_A), which is the luminosity corresponding to the radiation generated from accretion, can be stated as [5]

$$L_A = \zeta \frac{GM(dm/dt)}{R_g}$$

where ζ is related to the efficiency of process of mass.

Depending on how we view them, the luminosity profile changes and these luminosity profile is often classified into several classes like the Seyfert 1, Seyfert 2, etc. The accretion rate \dot{M} is scaled by the critical accretion rate which is given by to energy conversion.

$$\dot{M} = \frac{L_{Edd}}{\eta c^2} \quad (1)$$

[6] Where, L_{Edd} is the Eddington limit in Luminosity.

0.1.5 Galaxy Mergers

Large galaxies like the Milky Way formed out of mergers with smaller galaxies and by stealing some

of their stars. Astronomers discovered that as many as 25% of galaxies are currently merging with others. Probably even more are gravitationally interacting with their neighbors, with subsequent exchanges of stars and effects on the structures of both galaxies. For that reason, researchers study merging and interacting galaxies to understand how they form and evolve.[8]



Dry Mergers: Dry mergers refer to a type of galaxy merger that occurs without significant amounts of interstellar gas. In these mergers, two galaxies come together and combine their stellar populations without triggering a significant burst of star formation. As a result, the merger is "dry" in the sense that it lacks the presence of gas, as opposed to "wet" mergers where gas-rich galaxies merge and lead to substantial star formation.

Wet Mergers: Wet mergers refer to a type of galaxy merger that involves significant amounts of interstellar gas. In these mergers, two gas-rich galaxies come together and combine their gas reservoirs, leading to intense star formation activity. Unlike dry mergers, wet mergers have an abundant supply of gas, which fuels the formation of new stars during and after the merger process.

Dry mergers involve gas-poor galaxies combining their stellar content, transforming them into more massive and spheroidal shapes. They play a key role in the hierarchical growth of galaxies and stellar population mixing. Wet mergers, on the other hand, involve gas-rich galaxies merging with significant star formation and galaxy evolution implications.

0.1.6 Dual Active Galactic Nuclei (DAGN)

Dual AGN (Active Galactic Nuclei) refers to a system where two supermassive black holes are actively accreting gas and emitting intense radiation at the centers of two separate galaxies. These black holes are in close proximity to each other and are typically the result of a galaxy merger. The study of dual AGN provides valuable insights into galaxy interactions, black hole dynamics, and the co-evolution of galaxies.

As a result, the centers of double nuclei galaxies can contain AGN pairs, AGN-starburst pairings, or lone star forming nuclei. It is sometimes referred to as a dual AGN (DAGN) system when two or more AGN are discovered in a merger remnant and are separated by less than 10 kpc, while the definition varies in the literature and can encompass AGN at separations of up to 50 kpc. Multiple AGN systems may be more prevalent than we realize because triple AGN systems have also been found in small clusters of merging galaxies. Simulations have demonstrated that even small mergers can produce a large number of massive black holes (MBHs) that are spatially separated from the galaxy's nucleus; these MBHs are referred to as "wandering black holes" since they do not seem to be in merging with the nuclear SMBH.[10]

0.1.7 Gothic Survey

The GOTHIC algorithm gave the data that we utilised in this study. The automated search algorithm GOTHIC, also known as Graph-boosted Iterated Hill Climbing, was created to find dual or multiple nuclei in merging and interacting galaxies using optical imagery. In galaxies, it seeks to locate examples of dual or multiple active galactic nuclei (AGN). The Gothic method determines whether there are two or more closely spaced nuclei in a given picture of a galaxy. It is intended to conduct a comprehensive review of the available imaging data in search of dual nuclei galaxies and dual AGN. A large sample of galaxies from the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS) have been used to apply the technique on a known sample of galaxies in order to find dual AGNs. The algorithm has shown a high detection accuracy of over 95%.

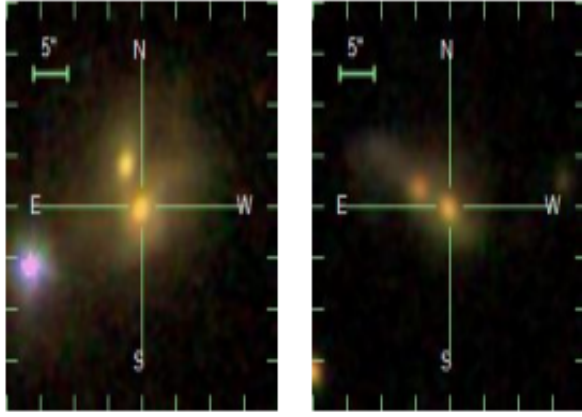


Figure 1: DAWN images sorted by GOTHIC from SDSS server.

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0.2 Methodology

In this section we will describe how to select the sample data and how the sample of the galaxy are analysed to categorize the galaxy according to their spectra.

0.2.1 Data Collection from SDSS

In SDSS, spectra for many objects are taken simultaneously. This is possible because the spectrographs are connected by fiber optic cables to an aluminum plate in the telescope's focal plane. With this arrangement in mind, any SDSS spectrum can be identified with three numbers. SDSS spectra were collected by a series of spectroscopic programs, described below. When analyzing spectral lines in SDSS data, remember that the SDSS wavelength scale is based on vacuum wavelengths.[11] We observe that the SDSS survey 18 as well as 16 gives the same spectrum so we use both to collect the spectra of the galaxies.

The SDSS measures many spectra in a single observation: 640 at a time with the SDSS spectrograph (used in SDSS-I, -II and in the SEGUE surveys) and 1000 with the BOSS spectrograph (used in the SDSS-III BOSS survey). The SDSS does this by means of a plate, an aluminum disk placed in the focal plane of the telescope. Each plate corresponds to a specific patch of sky, and is pre-drilled with holes corresponding to the sky positions of objects in that area, meaning that each area requires its own unique plate. Some plates were observed in a single night; others were observed over multiple nights.

Still others had intentionally repeated spectroscopic observations, with the same plate being re-observed several times. Thus, in addition to a plate number, identifying an SDSS spectrum requires knowing the MJD (modified Julian date) on which that spectrum was observed.

Each hole on each plate corresponds to one object on the sky. Optical fibers plugged into each hole bring the light from the focal plane to the pseudoslit of the spectrographs. Thus, each spectrum is also referenced by the number of the fiber (fiberID) with which it was collected. Plates used by the BOSS spectroscopic program had 1,000 fibers each; plates used by earlier SDSS spectroscopic programs had 640 fibers each. If a plate is observed on more than one MJD, the fibers will be replugged; thus a given fiberID on different MJDs will correspond to different objects on the sky.

In addition to the plate-MJD-fiberID system, SkyServer uses a unique number that encodes (64-bit hash) both plate-MJD-fiberID and the RUN2D reduction value of the spectroscopic redshift pipeline.[12]

We use the sql query to collect the data's

SQL Search

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1  -- This query does a table JOIN between the imaging (PhotoObj) and spectra
2  --(SpecObj) tables and includes the necessary columns in the SELECT to upload
3  --the results to the SAS(Science Archive Server) for FITS file retrieval.
4  SELECT TOP 10
5  p.objid,p.ra,p.dec,p.u,p.g,p.r,p.i,p.z,
6  p.run, p.rerun, p.camcol, p.field,
7  s.specobjid, s.class, s.z as redshift,
8  s.plate, s.mjd, s.fiberid
9  FROM PhotoObj AS p
10 JOIN SpecObj AS s ON s.bestobjid = p.objid
11 WHERE
12 p.u BETWEEN 0 AND 19.6
13 AND g BETWEEN 0 AND 20
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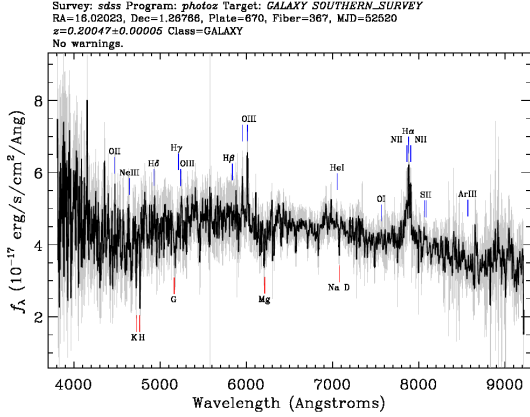
[13]

The SDSS SQL-16 search is fine to collect all the data, so we use the galaxies object IDs to collect all the spectra images as well as the galaxy images. We have a total of 46000 galaxy sample data points which is taken from the Gothic survey and use the sdss to collect all the photometric data from the object ids of the galaxies.

0.2.2 Data Reduction

In this section we will show how the data is reduced according to the signal-to-noise ratio. First we take a 200 galaxies as a test data sample to understand what will be the threshold value to the Sn ratio. Manually we observe 200 galaxies from their spectrum as well as the images and then manage to use a Sn ratio

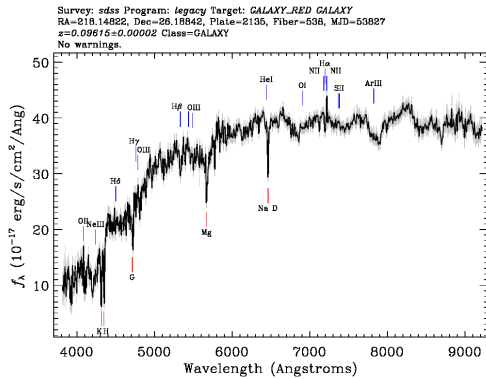
threshold to reduce the data.



[14]

This above galaxy spectrum has the Sn ratio of approx 9 So we can see that it is combined with very much noisy part so we can discard this data. So the approach to discard one galaxy is taken from the manual observations.

In the peak detection method we have to analyse the emission lines like $H\alpha$, $H\beta$, $OIII(4959\text{\AA})$, $OIII(5008\text{\AA})$ and some nitrogen emission lines. We have to search the dual peaks in these emission lines so we must need those galaxies which have a clear spectrum. So first we observe the spectra according to their distinguishable peak structure, if the emission peaks can be distinguished we take it as a good spectrum and take a note of the Sn ratio.



[15]

Here is an example of the good spectrum having Sn ratio as approx 27. In this spectrum we can clearly distinguish the emission peaks of the elements given above. After analysing manually we got the Sn threshold as 25, means the galaxies having Sn ratio equal or greater than 25 are mostly clear, some outliers are there in this also but approx this is the threshold we use to reduce the data.

But most of the images of the galaxies in SDSS-18 as well as SDSS-16 are clear and we can visually distinguish the nucleus of the galaxy present mostly in the centers.

Finally After reducing the 46000 samples of galaxies by using the SQL query we got 3400 galaxies approx which means that most of the galaxies or majority galaxies have the noisy spectrum which could change our results further. After this we use these galaxies and observe the emission lines as well as the image to separate these as Dual AGNs, outflows etc.

0.2.3 Spectrum Analysis

Here we will show how the spectrum is analysed, basically we analyse the spectrum as well as the image of the galaxies manually. First we search the galaxies from their object ids and then use the interactive spectrum option of the sdss skyserver to get the spectrum. We observe some specific emission lines of the spectrum to understand whether the galaxy has the chances to be a Dual AGN, the dual AGN shows dual peaks in some specific emission lines due to their properties. When two galaxies merge their emission lines overlap thus create double emission peaks in certain wavelengths.

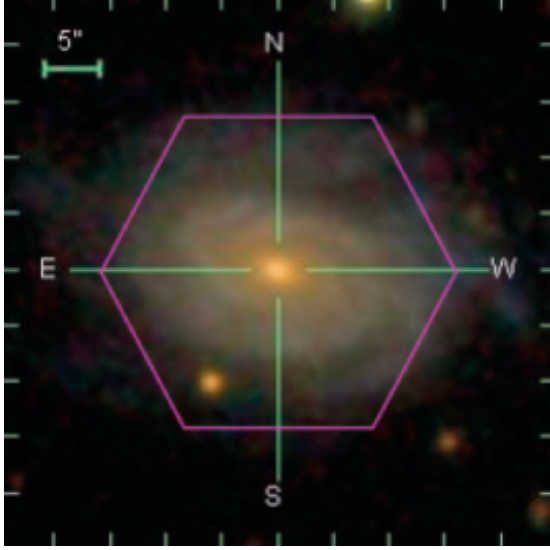
The specific emission lines are $H\alpha$, $H\beta$, $OIII(4959\text{\AA})$, $OIII(5008\text{\AA})$ and sometimes Nitrogen peaks. If these emission lines show a double peak it will certainly be due to DAGNs, outflows and due to the rotation curves sometimes. [16]

Generally the $H\alpha$, $H\beta$ emission lines come from the Broad Line Region (BLR) clouds and the $OIII(4959\text{\AA})$, $OIII(5008\text{\AA})$ comes from the Narrow line Region (NLR) clouds. If we get double peaks in $OIII$ s and not getting in the $H\alpha$ generally it gives an insight that this is due to the outflows. If the $H\alpha$ and $H\beta$ both have double peaks it is due to AGN activity or feedback mechanisms as well as the star formation taking place in that region. Mostly the double peaks in any of the $OIII$ denotes a dual AGN but it is not true all the times. These DAGNs are fully confirmed by the analysis of the radio spectrum only. [17]

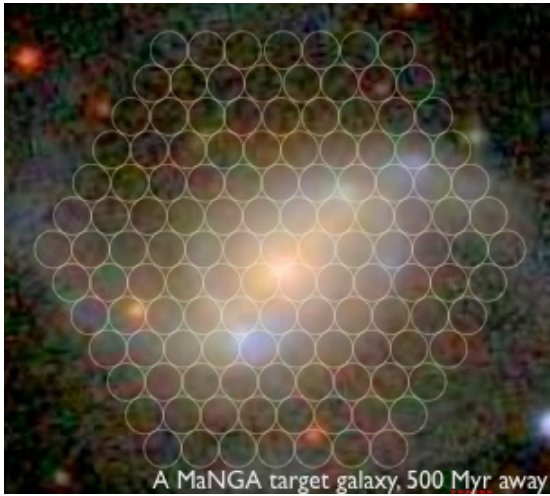
In the image analysis we visually observe the images of the galaxies and sort them according to their double nuclei in the center part. We used the photometric data to do the color plot also.

0.2.4 MANGA Data

The MaNGA (Mapping Nearby Galaxies at Apache Point Observatory) survey is a project conducted by the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS). It aims to map the detailed internal structure and composition of nearby galaxies. The survey uses Integral Field Spectroscopy (IFS) to obtain spectra at multiple locations across each galaxy, allowing scientists to study the dynamics, star formation, and chemical composition in various regions of the galaxies.[18]



MaNGA data includes detailed information about each galaxy, such as its size, shape, brightness, spectra at different wavelengths, and kinematics. The data is publicly available and has been used by astronomers and researchers to study various aspects of galaxy evolution and structure.



MaNGA provides two-dimensional maps of stellar

velocity and velocity dispersion, mean stellar age and star formation history, stellar metallicity, element abundance ratio, stellar mass surface density, ionized gas velocity, ionized gas metallicity, star formation rate and dust extinction for a statistically powerful sample. The galaxies are selected to span a stellar mass interval of nearly 3 orders of magnitude. No cuts are made on size, inclination, morphology or environment, so the sample is fully representative of the local galaxy population.[19]

We have used the manga data of the galaxies to do the BPT plots and then classify it accordingly. Certainly very few galaxies have the manga datas in the skyserver.

0.3 Results

We have analysed finally all the data points and thus depending upon this we got some statistics according to that analysis. All this results are taken from SDSS website.[24]

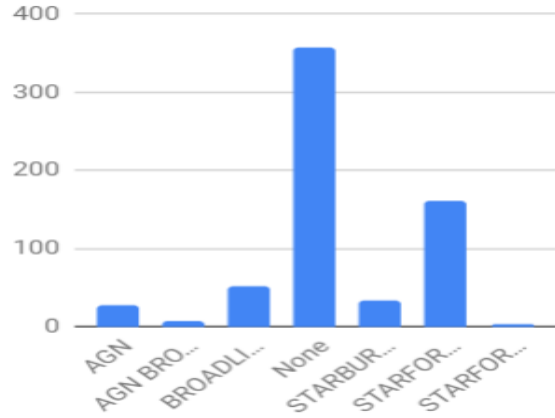


Figure 2: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

Most of the galaxies here are None type of galaxies which shows neither AGN, Starforming, Starburst, Broadline and AGN Broadlines.

After that we got the we have most galaxies as star-forming and Broadlines. Very few galaxies are AGN and AGN Broadlines. Least of them are starforming Broadlines here in the sample. After this we sorted out the galaxies according to their spectra analysis, image analysis as well as presence of manga data in the galaxies.

0.3.1 Observation from the spectra

In this from the sample data we got the total number of data's having dual peaks in any of the emission lines given is 425. Means the percent of dual peaks are about 12.4%.

From the spectra we analyse the $H\alpha$, $H\beta$, OIII(4959Å) , OIII(5008Å) to observe the double peaks in it, thus we get some stats accordingly. The galaxies have double peaks in $H\alpha$ are 66 galaxies. In this the most of the galaxies are starforming other than none subclass.

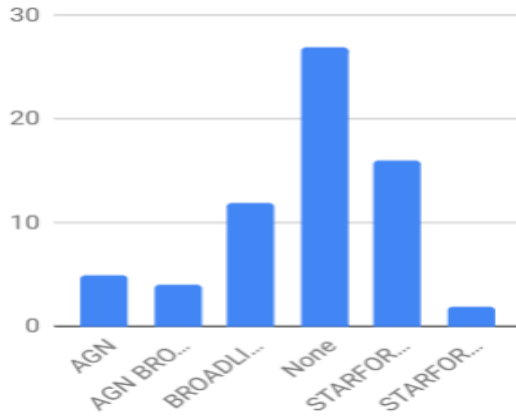


Figure 3: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

In the peaks of $H\beta$ we get 89 galaxies which has double peaks in its emission lines. Most of the galaxies have Starforming nature and few are AGNs.

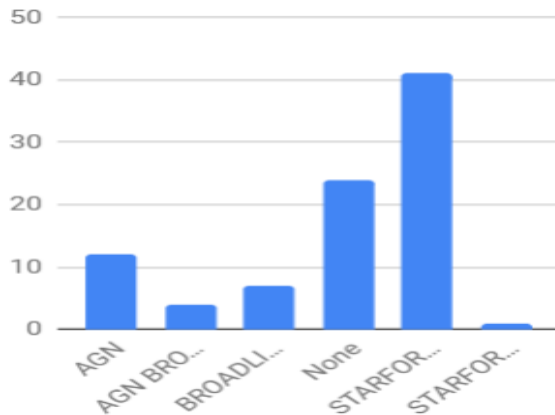


Figure 4: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

And the galaxies which have double peaks in the OIII(4959Å) are 217 in number. In the OIII(4959Å)

emission lines region we got starforming as 91 galaxies and some were Broadlines.

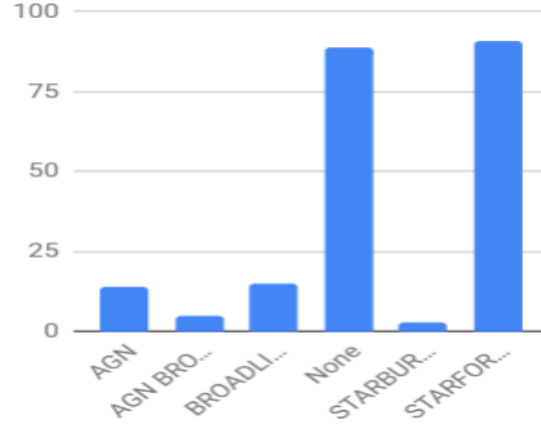


Figure 5: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

In the OIII(5008Å) emission line we get double peaks in 255 galaxies. And most of the galaxies were starforming and Broadlines in subclasses.

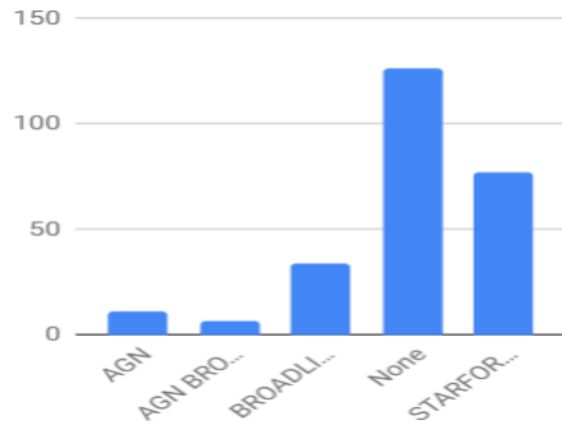


Figure 6: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

And those galaxies which have double peaks in all these emission lines are only 16. Most of them are starforming and then some were Broadlines and few of them are AGNs and AGN Broadline.

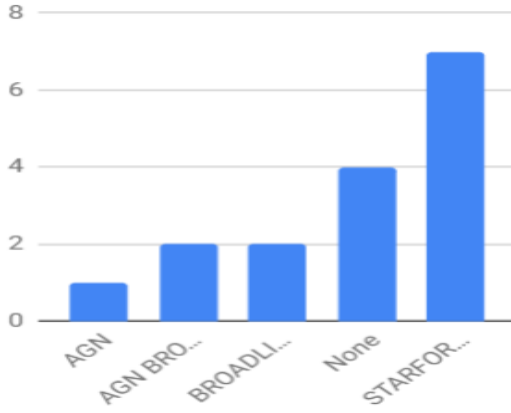


Figure 7: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

These galaxies told us that they might be an dual AGN which have double peaks in all the given emission lines.

The galaxies having emission lines in $H\alpha$ are mostly starforming. And those which in the $H\beta$ they might be due to the outflows and Starforming regions of the galaxies. The galaxies having both double peaks in $H\alpha$ and $H\beta$ are 16 in number. These galaxies are mostly starforming as well as AGNs.

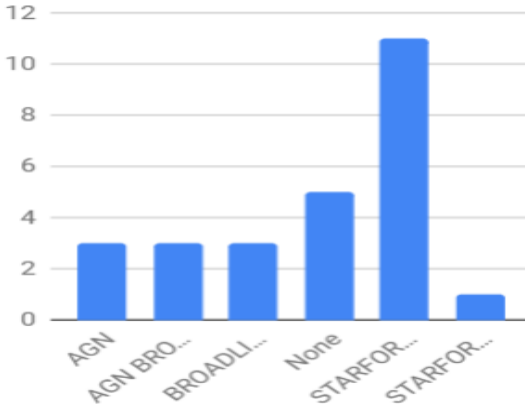


Figure 8: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

The galaxies having double peaks in all the oxygen ions are 109. These are due to the outflows as well as Dual AGN activity.

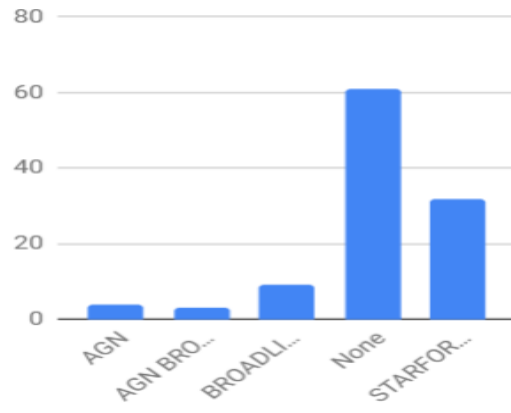


Figure 9: Distribution of galaxies according to their subclasses

The galaxies having double peaks in all of them are like this.

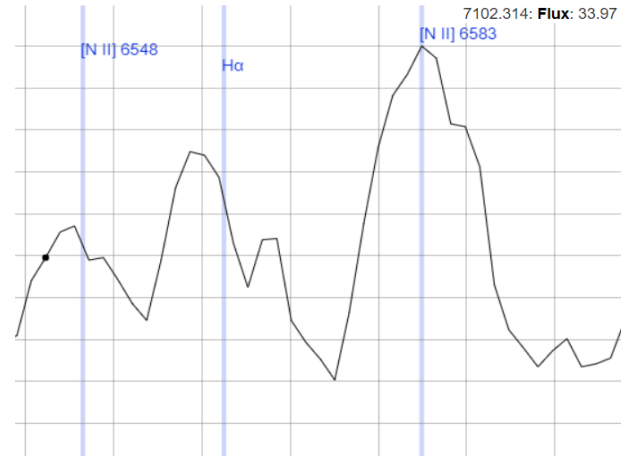


Figure 10: Galaxy double peak in $H\alpha$ in it

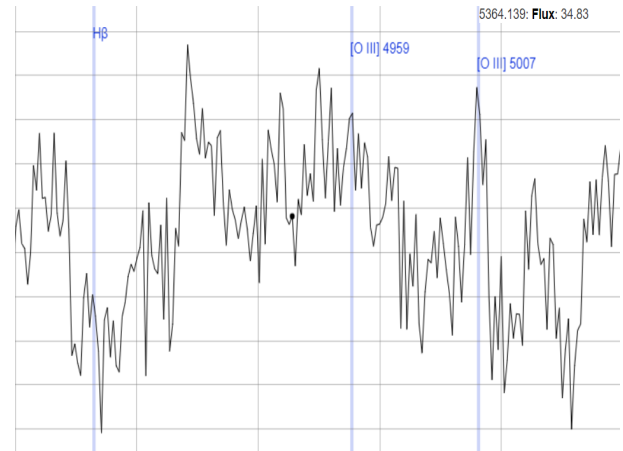


Figure 11: Galaxy double peaks in the other emission lines

After this all steps we make the color plot of the galaxies.

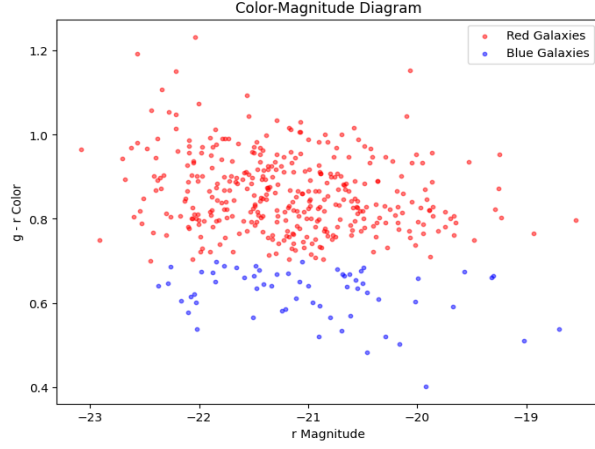


Figure 12: Color Plot

From this we can see that the red galaxies which means the galaxies are generally elliptical and old galaxies. The threshold selecting from the source in this plot. [21]

0.3.2 observation from the image

In this from the sample data we got the total number of data's having dual nucleus in any of the image is 218. Means the percent of dual nucleus are about 6.4%. The observations were made on the appearance of the galaxies whether they have double nucleus or not. We have sorted the galaxies accordingly whether they have double nucleus in them from the sample data we got after reducing. Some of them has manga data and we have plotted the BPT maps with them in the next section as well.

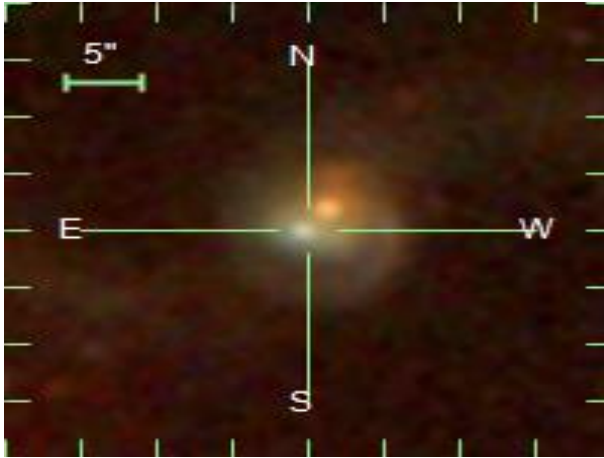


Figure 13: A dual nucleus galaxy

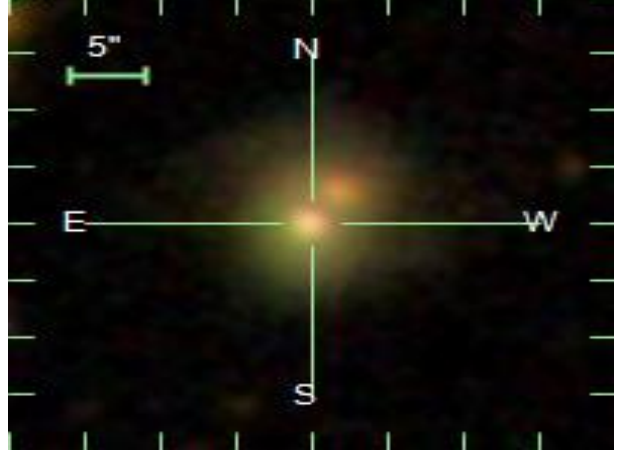


Figure 14: Another dual nuclei galaxy

These are some of the dual nucleus galaxies we observe which might be dual AGNs. These have nucleus whether merging or compact nucleus seen from the image got through the sdss server. We might show some of the merger cases of the galaxies,

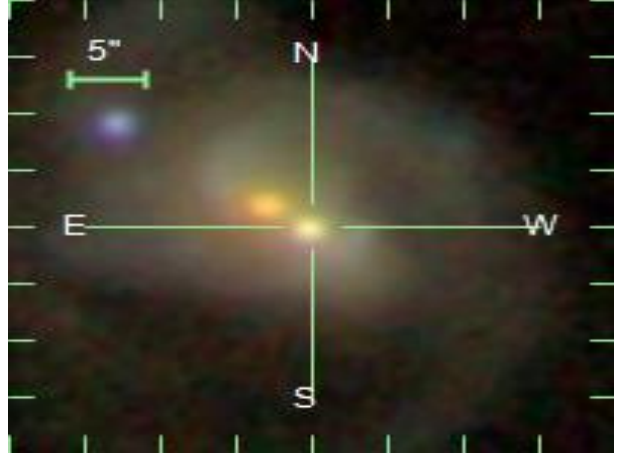


Figure 15: Galaxy mergers

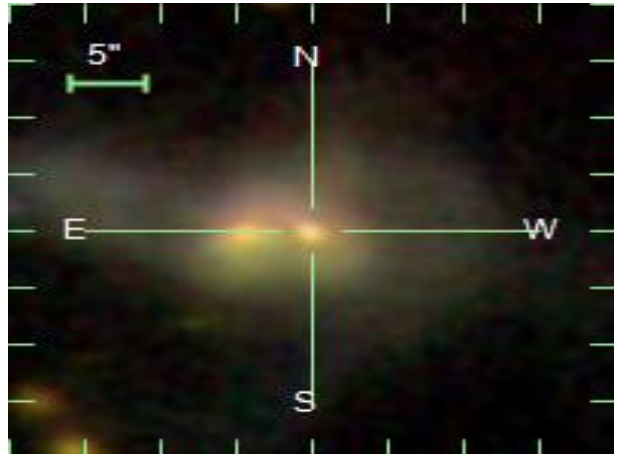


Figure 16: Another of galaxy mergers

These are one of the galaxies which are galaxy mergers clearly seen from the images taken from SDSS. In total we have 219 galaxies in the dataset which have double nucleus or looks like a merger.

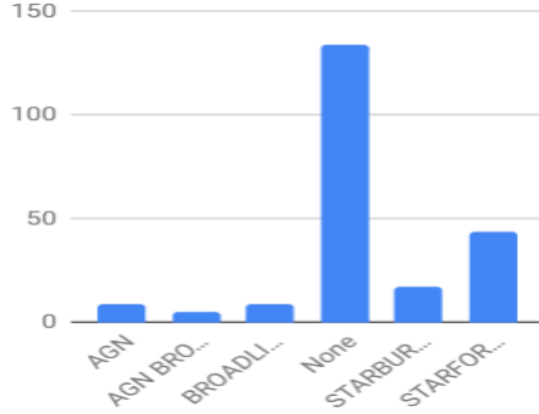


Figure 17: Subclasses of the galaxies which have double nucleus

Most of them are Star forming category other than the None ones, few of them are Starbursts and some of them are AGN and AGN broadlines.

After this we use to sort the data sample which are AGNs and AGN Broadline these were only 14 galaxies. Within these only one of the galaxies have double peaks in all the given emission lines.

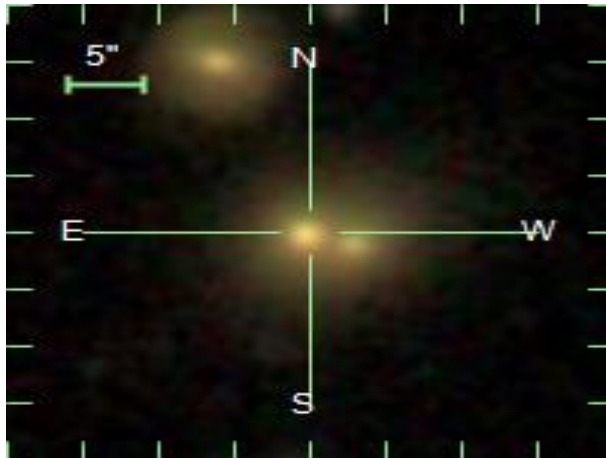


Figure 18: AGN BROADLINE as subclass

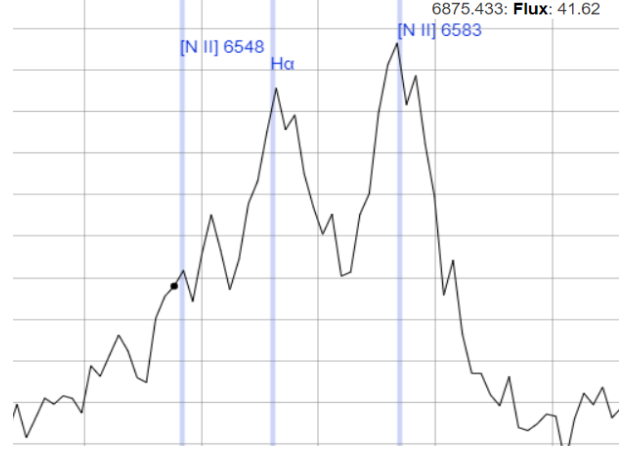


Figure 19: Spectrum of the above galaxy

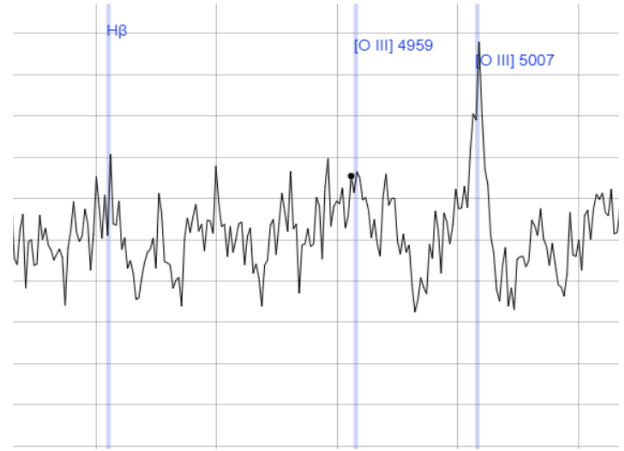


Figure 20: Spectrum of the above galaxy

We can see that all the emission lines have double peaks and some nitrogen lines have also double peaks in it. We can thus say that it might be a dual AGN.

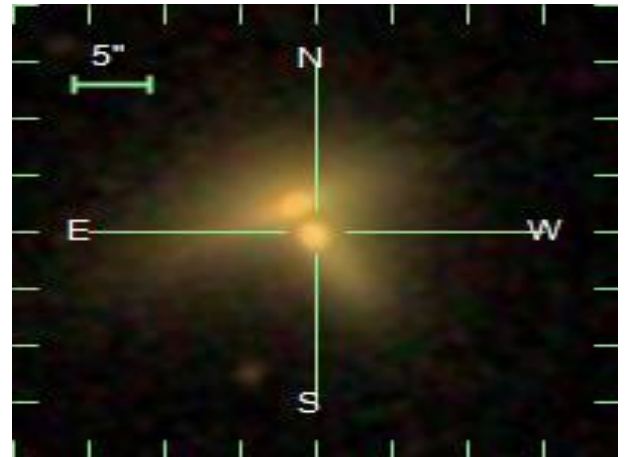


Figure 21: Another Dual Nucleus galaxy having subclass as AGN Broadline

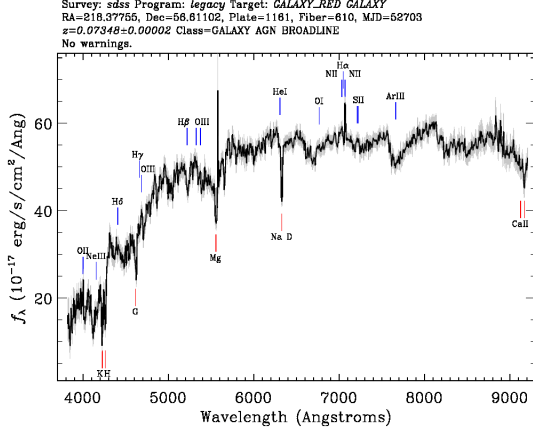


Figure 22: Spectrum of the above galaxy which have dual peaks in H α and OIII(5008Å) emission lines

We thus manage the image observations and find some cases which possibly be an dual AGNs.

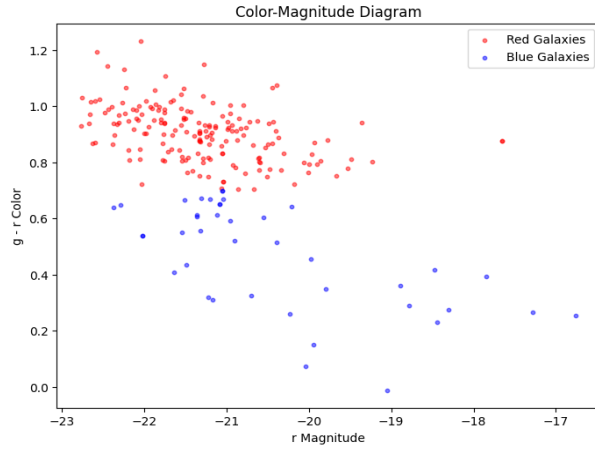


Figure 23: Color Plot

Here are the color plots of the galaxies and we can see that the red or old type galaxies are more in the data sets than the early type galaxies.

0.3.3 BPT Plots

Galaxies having Double nucleus

We have only two galaxies which have both manga data and the Double nucleus in it but most of them are starburst and starforming galaxies.

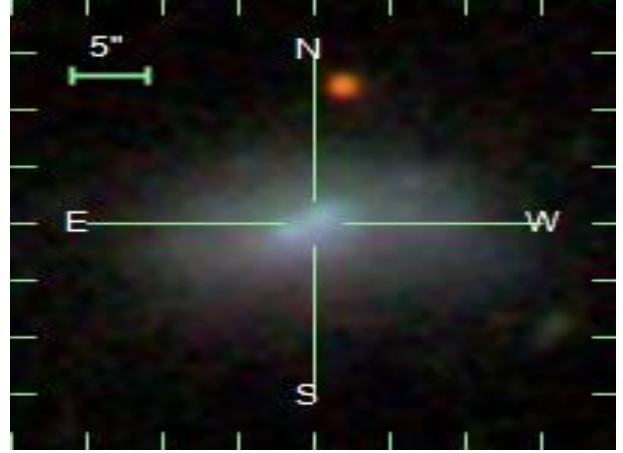


Figure 24: Galaxy image of the object id:1237657594072596746

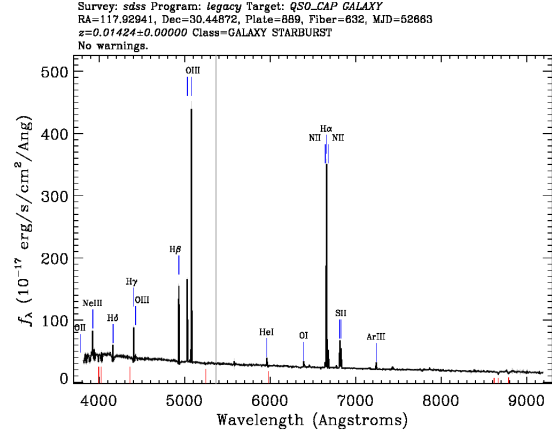


Figure 25: Spectrum of the galaxy

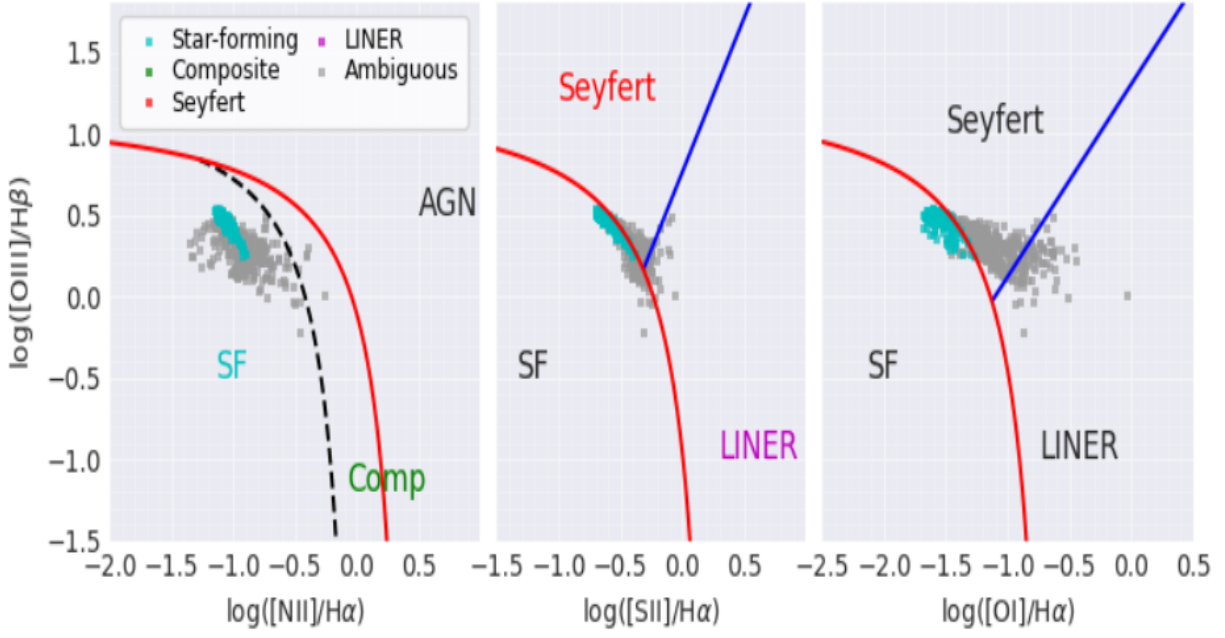


Figure 26: BPT Plot

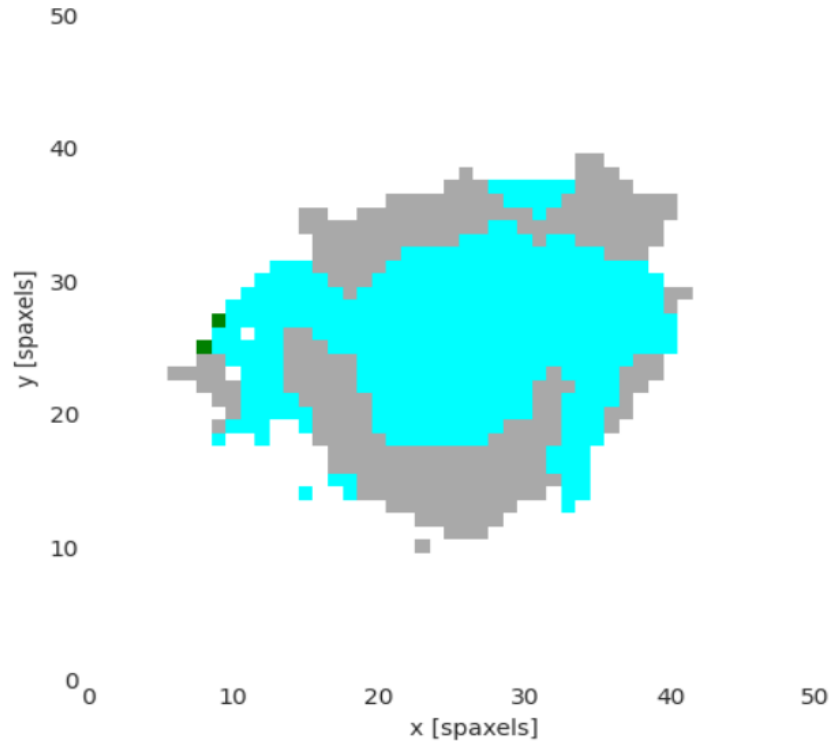


Figure 27: BPT Map, Thus we can see in the map that the starforming regions are very much than the other regions

Another galaxy which have both manga data as well as the double nucleus or a merger in it is,



Figure 28: Galaxy image of the object id:1237661086958420256

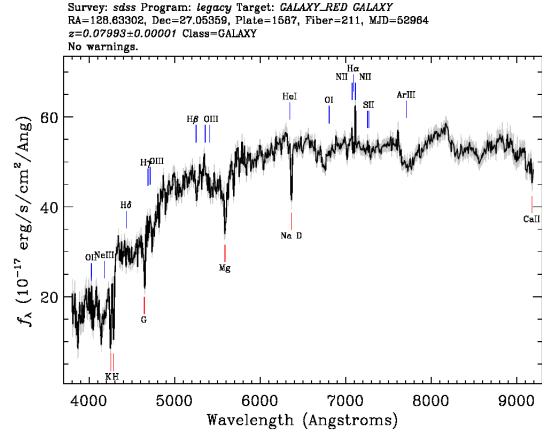


Figure 29: Spectrum image

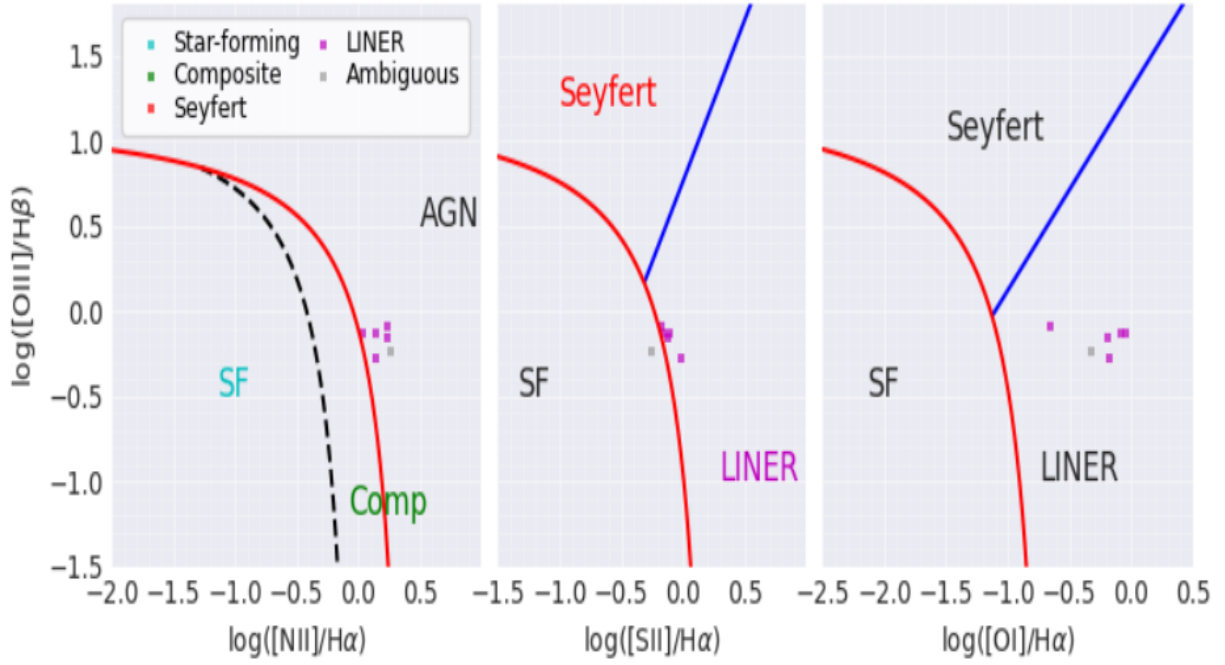


Figure 30: BPT Plot

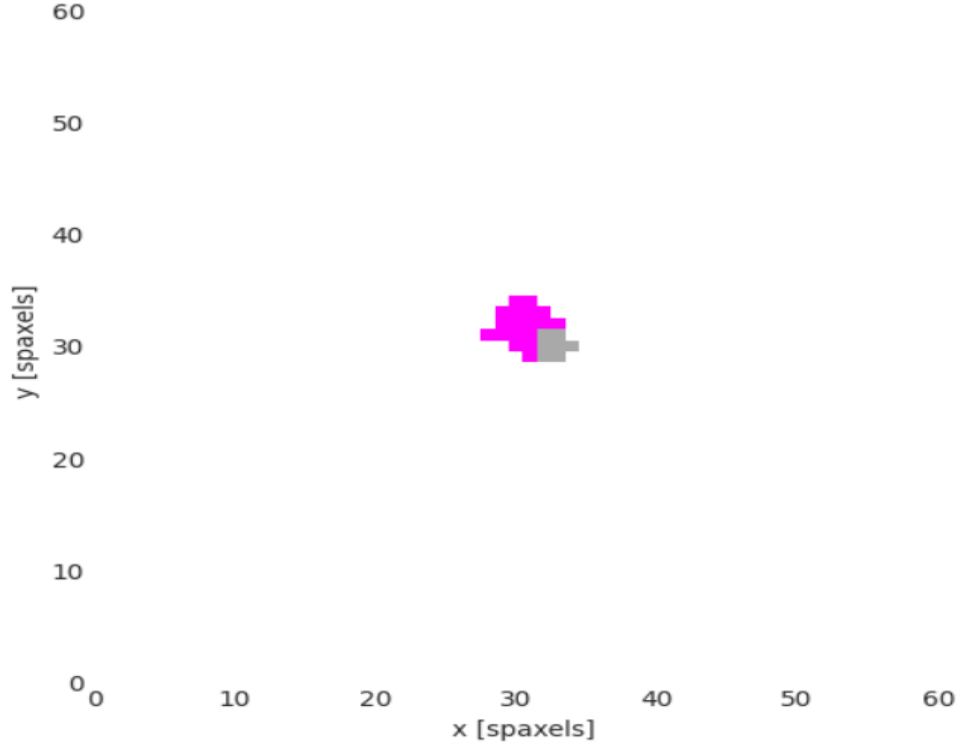


Figure 31: BPT Map, thus we observe that the LINER regions of the galaxies are more than the other parts

Galaxies having Double peaks

In this section we will show some galaxies BPT plots and maps which have double peaks in any of the given emission lines.

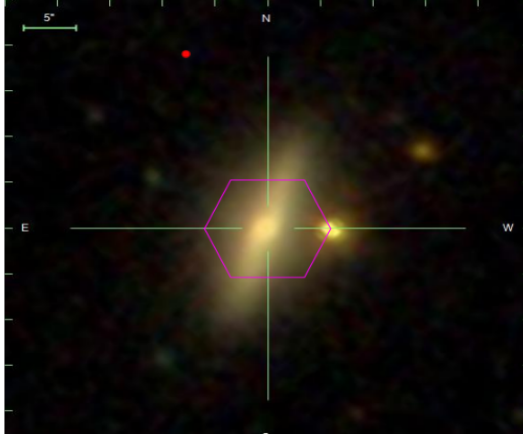


Figure 32: Galaxy image of the object id:1237657630579163311

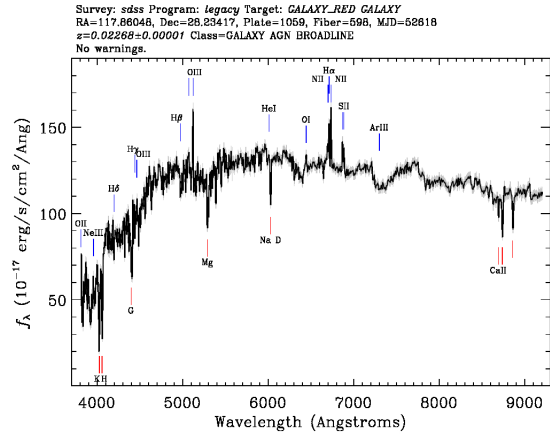


Figure 33: Galaxy spectrum, It has double peaks in the Oxygen emission lines

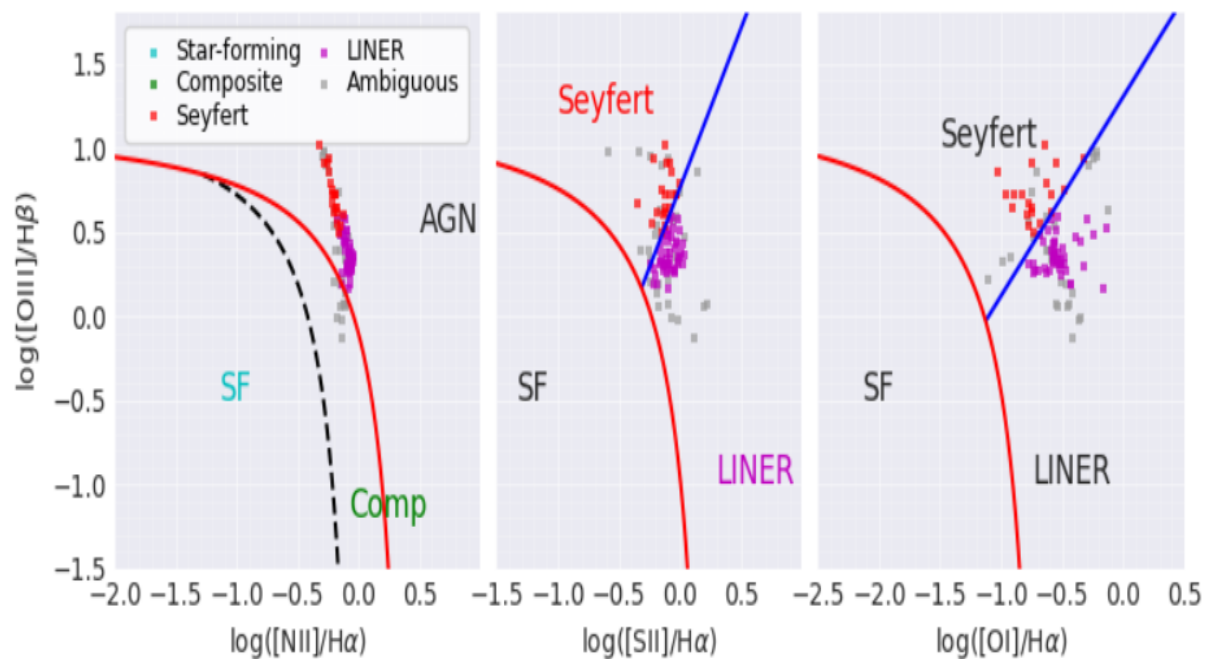


Figure 34: BPT Plots

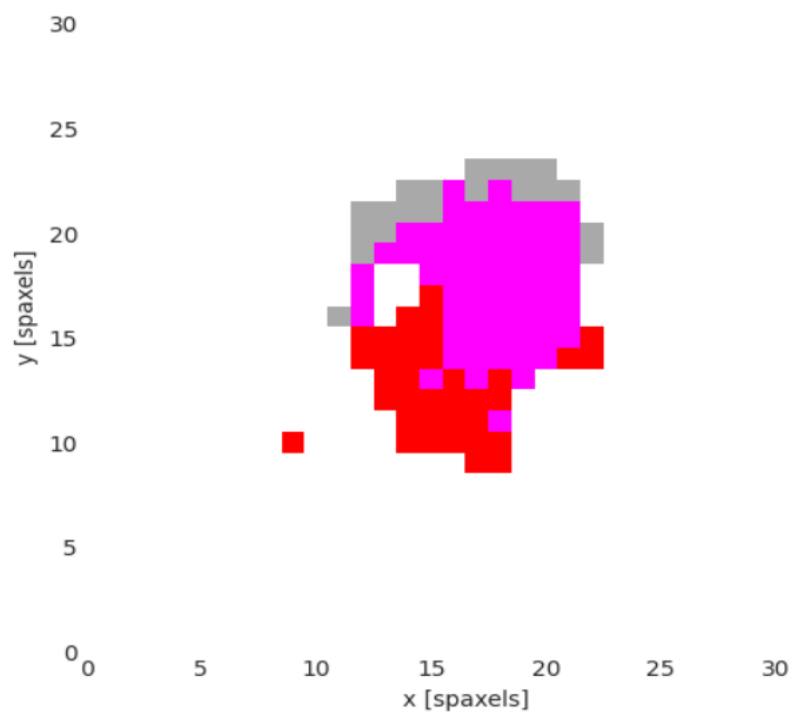


Figure 35: BPT Map, We here see that the seyfert and liner regions are maximum in the galaxies, as from the subclass it is an AGN Broadline

Another galaxy which has double peaks in the emission lines,

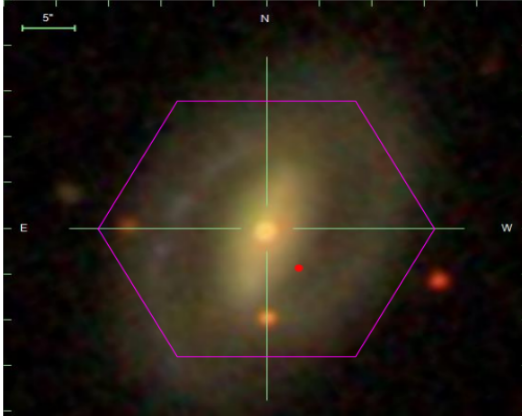


Figure 36: Galaxy image of the object
id:1237661357538279499

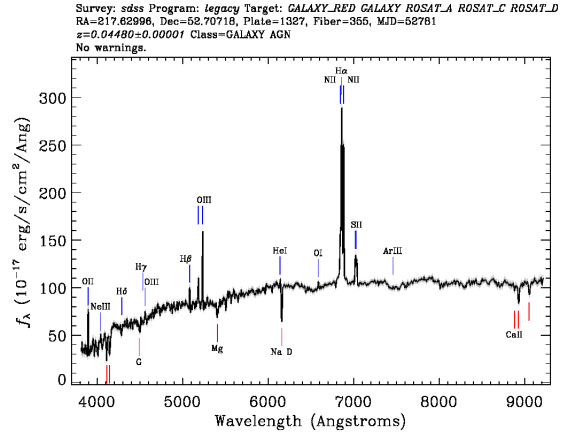


Figure 37: Spectrum image, It has double peaks in both H α and H β emission lines

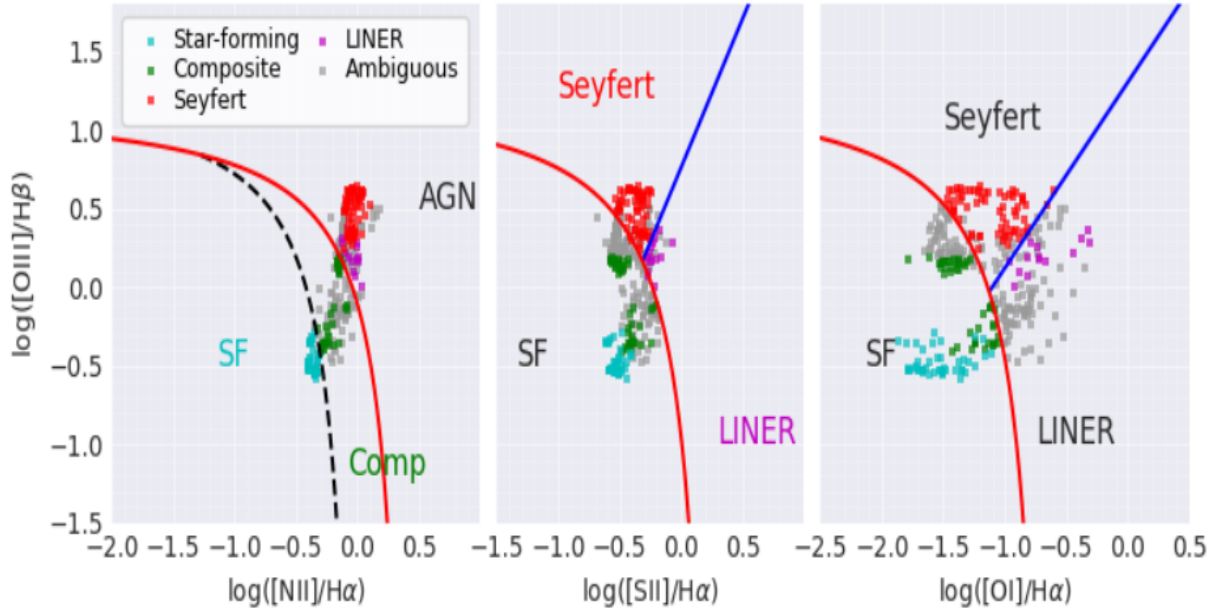


Figure 38: BPT Plots

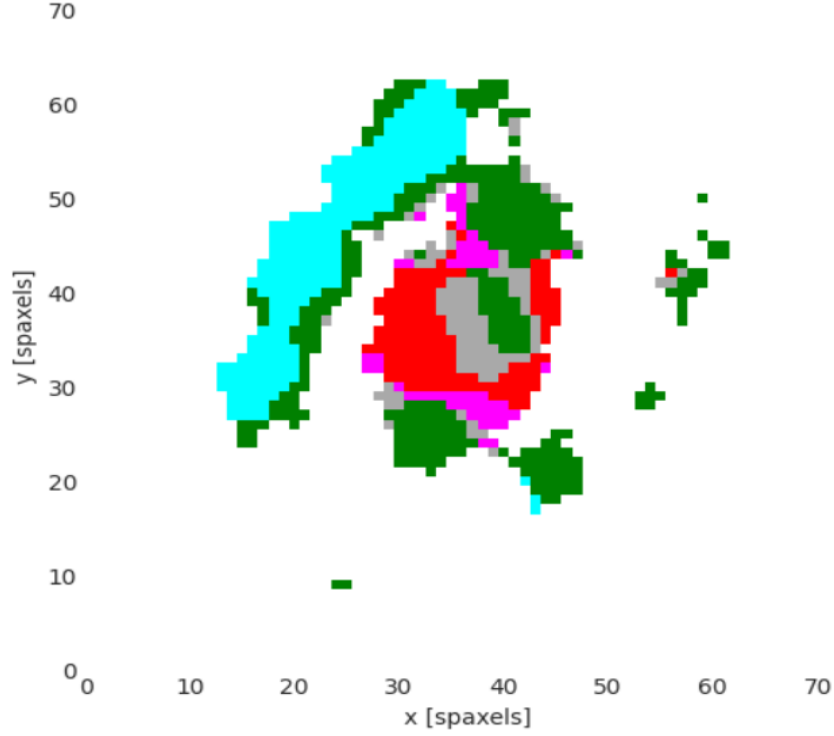


Figure 39: BPT Map, We here see that the seyfert and liner regions are maximum in the galaxies and some were star-forming and composite regions, as from the subclass it is an AGN

We now say that we could be able to distinguish some galaxies accordingly and say that it is a dual AGN or not from the sample dataset. [22]

0.3.4 Dagn Cases

In this section we will take into account some galaxies which might be an Dual AGN.

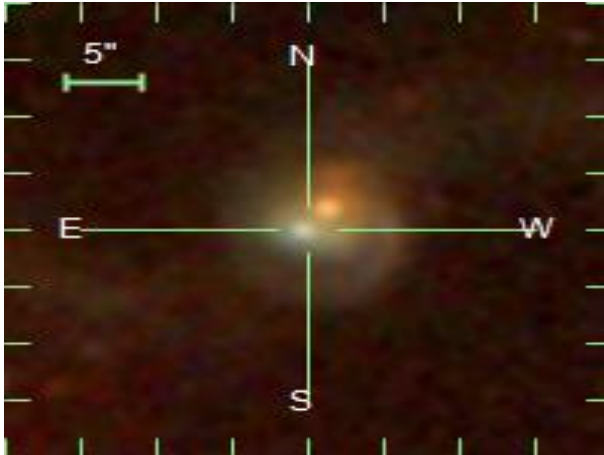


Figure 40: Galaxy image of object id:1237657627895791715

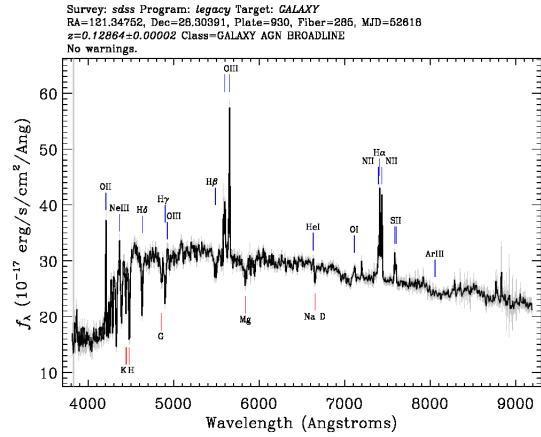


Figure 41: Spectrum image

In this galaxy we can say that it is an Dual AGN as we can observe it through the image and both the nucleus have different spectrum, thus the galaxy having two different spectrum of two nucleus have subclasses of AGN and AGN Broadline which confirms it as a Dual AGN.

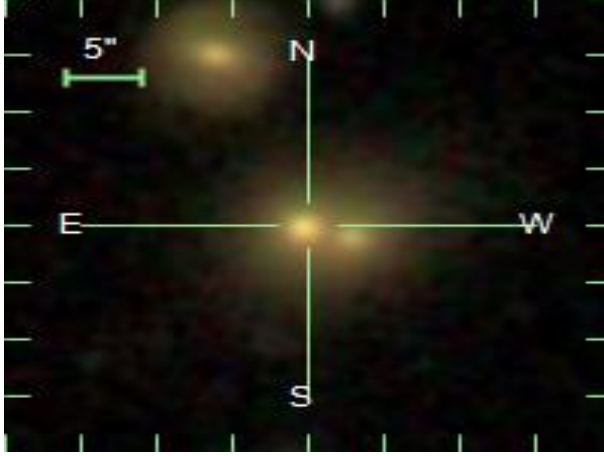


Figure 42: Galaxy image of the object id:1237655108374757514

[23]

0.4 Conclusion and Future Prospects

Finally we got two of the galaxies confirmed as Dual AGN and there might be other Dual AGN also. In the dataset we are expecting the large number of double peaks galaxies we got so many but most of them have noisy spectrum, and we can't distinguish between the emission lines clearly.

Very few galaxies are there which have both double nucleus as well as the dual peaks in their spectrum which might be due to some errors in the GOTHIC algorithms. The dual peaks we got mostly from the single nucleus galaxies which are mainly due to the outflows.

We have reduced the data by using the Sn ratio criteria but overall after the statistics we got we conclude that the Sn ratio criterion is not always a good way to choose the galaxies for reduction. Sometimes there are some galaxies which have lower Sn ratio have good spectra and higher Sn ratio as noisy spectra. Mathematically we can say the higher signal-to-noise ratio spectra are very clear but after observation it is not the case. This happens due

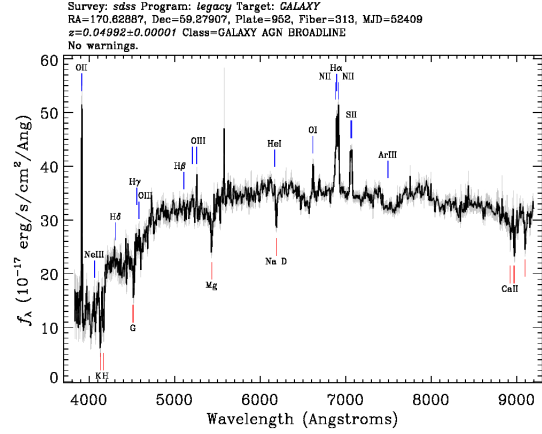


Figure 43: Spectrum image

This galaxy might be a dual AGN because it has double peaks in all emission lines and its subclass is AGN Broadlines. We have more cases like this which are possible outcomes of dual AGNs in the datasets of all the galaxies we get after the data reduction.

to the timings of observations or types of algorithms used to collect data's.

Out of 3400 galaxies approx we got about only 6.4 % of the galaxies have double nucleus in them observed from the image only. And the remainings have single nucleus.

In the dual peak case only 12.4% of the galaxies have dual peaks in any of the emission lines given above to consider. These stats are very less than the expected from the GOTHIC survey.

The GOTHIC survey took only known dual nucleus galaxies as their test data to check their efficiency of the algorithm but according to me if they take the mixture of sample with both single and double nucleus the efficiency value might be different and they could improve their algorithm accordingly.

Future Prospects After this sorted sample we got in this project, we can use this sample and collect radio spectra of these galaxies to confirm which one is dual AGN or not because radio spectra are more appropriate than the optical spectra to classify the galaxy subclasses. We have got some dual AGN cases as well so we can use their data to know more about their properties as well as their formations.

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Figure 44: Datasheet of sorted Dual peak galaxies

[Link to whole sheet](#)

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Figure 45: Datasheet of sorted Dual nucleus galaxies

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objid	Ab Mag(r)	Ab Mag (g-r)	Distance (MPC)	S/N	specobjid	class	Subclass	redshift	plate	mjd	fiberid	H (α)	H (β)	O (III) 4959	O (III) 5007
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1237552344245424546	-21.43563251	0.59011	166.5861656	34.12365	830953418881078016	GALAXY	None	0.04121165	745	52258	611				
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123754872117116302	-21.48245001	0.80851	183.3545444	49.05351	58529626671372928	GALAXY	None	0.04525893	502	51957	351				
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Figure 46: Datasheet of sorted Manga data galaxies

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