

Theoretical Predictions and the Little Red Dots in the Universe

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James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) discovered remarkably numerous Little Red Dots (LRDs) in the Universe for a wide redshift z range from ~ 2 to ~ 7 . Such LRDs, characterized by prominent V shaped continuum spectra with unusually broad $H\alpha$ and $H\beta$ lines (FWHM $\sim 10^3$ to $\sim 10^4$ km/s), are inferred to be extremely luminous, compact, massive, metal poor yet without detectable X-ray and radio emissions. We have been working on self-similar dynamic formation of black holes in a wide mass range within giant mass reservoirs containing normal and dark matters in general. In particular, we predicted the possibility of hypermassive black holes (HMBHs; $\sim 10^{10}$ to 10^{12} solar masses or even higher) and supermassive black holes (SMBHs; $\sim 10^6$ to several 10^9 solar masses) in the Universe including the early Universe. We also suggested the progenitors of the LIGO/Virgo black holes in the forbidden mass zone, magnetars, and classes of supernovae, γ -ray bursts, X-ray bursts, fast radio bursts are likely to be magnetized massive stars. As a CUSPEA scholar of 1980, I also share anecdotes of Professor T. D. Lee.

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