#### First Galaxies, Globular Clusters and Ultra-faint Dwarfs with JWST

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1. Globular Clusters (GCs) as Sources of Reionization

(Ricotti 2002, Katz & Ricotti 2013, Katz & Ricotti 2014)

2. Reionization in a Bursty Universe

(Hartley & Ricotti, work in preparation)

3. GCs and Ultra-faint Dwarfs in Simulations of the First Galaxies

(Ricotti, Parry & Gnedin, work in preparation)

## GCs as Sources of Reionization: why?

- Hubble Deep field studies show that, to reionize with stars, small mass halos (close to  $10^8 M_{Sun}$ ) must form stars rather efficiently and f<sub>esc</sub>~0.2-1
- However, near-field studies show that the smallest mass halos in the Local Group are exceptionally faint or dark (ultra-faint dwarfs)
- But we also observe globular clusters in MW halo and dwarfs: old, low metallicity and dense clusters with high SF efficiency.
- Did they play a role in reionization?

### GCs as Sources of Reionization: can they do it?

- Dense clusters have high SF efficiency, instantaneous SF and found in the outer part of dark matter halos: these 3 elements suggest large f<sub>esc</sub>.
- 2. Tip of iceberg of a larger population of compact clusters that have been destroyed by dynamical effects and stellar evolution. So they might be tracers of a mode SF that was predominant at high redshift
- If a fraction of today's GCs (10%-50%) formed at z>6, emit enough UV to reionize the IGM (see Ricotti 2002)
- But when did they form?

#### Nearby dwarfs with GC systems as seen by JWST and HST if their GCs formed at redshifts z=1 to 8

z=8 candidate for comparison (Bouwens et al. 2011)

z=4

z=1

z=2

z=3



z=5

z=6

z=7

z=8

NIRCam 1Ms (Puzia & Sharin

#### Constrain how many GCs can form at any given redshift using LF and colors in HDF



Fixed fraction of present day GCs forming at given z

Upper limits on GC formation rate and fraction of present day population

Upper limits on ionizing photons from forming GCs



### Joint Modeling of GC systems in Milky Way and nearby dwarfs

- Via Lactea II merger tree
- Populate dark matter halos with GCs to reproduce observations of nearby dwarfs (Georgiev et al 2010)
- Follow orbits of accreted GCs from satellites including dynamical processes
- In situ GCs formation of higher metallicity GCs



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#### Origin of globular clusters in Milky Way (best model)



Formed in Milky Way

- Whether or not some GCs formed before reionization, simulations show that SF in early galaxies is quite bursty
- And UV from Population III stars definitely have to be modeled as short bursts









#### Halo matching with duty cycle:



#### Similar to X-ray ionization: due to relic HII regions



fixed  $f_{esc}=12.5\%$ 





# 3. Simulations of the First Stars and Galaxies with ART





Dwarf galaxies at z=10 with sub parsec resolution in small cosmological Volume Dense Gas settles in disky structures .. but





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Stars are in spheroids larger than disks thickness

#### Dense clusters and Ultrafaint dwarfs at z=10



#### GCs and Ultra-faint dwarfs



- Stars form in very compact dense clusters: 1 pc scale, velocity dispersion 20-40 km/s
- Due to gas loss, many become unbound and evolve as shown by the red lines
- Become bound again by dark matter halos with circular velocities: 5-10 km/s

#### GCs and Ultra-faint dwarfs



(dark matter dominated)

Ultra-faint dwarfs and GCs today clearly look very different, but the origin (of a fraction of them) may have been similar:

- Stars in ultra-faint dwarfs traced back to few dense clusters?
- 2. Dark matter in some GCs?



#### Summary

- From Hubble deep fields and modeling of Milky Way, evidence of two epochs of GC formation: at z~2 and z>6. The z>6 population suggest that SF in dense clusters was a dominant mode of SF in the early universe, contributing to reionization
- Bursty SF has similar effect on IGM as ionization by X-rays: escaping ionizing radiation needed to produce a given optical depth to Thompson scattering is about half the value assuming continuous SF.
- Simulations of the first galaxies: perhaps we captured the formation of the first GCs. Low surface brightness spheroidal galaxies similar to the ultra-faint dwarfs produced by a few "failed" or "evaporated" compact star clusters.





From Georgiev et al 2010

Model	$N_{GC}^{tot}$	$N_{GC}^{acc}$	$N_{GC}^{surv}$	$N_{GC}^{in-situ}$	$N_{Dw}^{acc}$	$N_{Dw}^{surv}$	$f_N^{surv}$	$f_M^{surv}$	$N_{GC}(z > 7)$	$f_M^{surv}(z>7)$
CE	145	335	84 (58%)	61 (42%)	63	43	27%	20%	5(3%)	10%
KR13	150	279	89 (59%)	61 (41%)	52	38	30%	19%	26(17%)	15%
KR13-bis	146	238	90 (62%)	56 (38%)	32	21	36%	20%	48(33%)	22%
Power Law	143	301	141(99%)	2 (1%)	100	70	46%	31%	36(25%)	24%



UV Continuum Slope



