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Stellar Population Synthesis in BST1047+1156 KERI WOOD,
CHRIS MIHOS, Case Western Reserve University — We are creating sample stellar
populations to model potential formation scenarios of the galaxy BST1047+1156 in
preparation for Hubble data coming in mid-2022. BST1047+1156 is an ultra-diffuse
galaxy found in the Leo I galaxy group. With very blue optical colors and far ultra-
violet emission, this galaxy has likely experienced a recent burst of star formation.
However, the density of gas in the galaxy falls well below levels at which star for-
mation is typically observed, making its star formation history especially intriguing.
The galaxy could have been an established low surface brightness galaxy involved
in a tidal interaction, or it could have been recently born from the tidal debris of
the Leo I group. An older LSB with a recent interaction would have a mix of young
and old stellar populations, while a recently formed tidal dwarf would only have
young stars. By estimating and comparing the relative fractions of old and young
populations, we hope to learn more about the history of this galaxy.

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