

# "2D kinematic characterization of a representative sample of local (U)LIRGs. A `kinemetry' analysis based on VIMOS/VLT with integral field spectroscopy".

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#### Introduction

The 2D kinematic characterization of a sample of 38 (Ultra) Luminous Infrared Galaxies [(U)LIRGs] systems (51 individual galaxies) at low redshift (<z>=0.022) is carried out with the VIMOS/VLT. The sample encompass a wide variety of morphological types (from isolated disks for low-luminosity LIRGs to a majority of merger remnants for ULIRGs) and nuclear excitations (HII, Seyfert and LINER). Studying the characteristics of (U)LIRGs at low-z allow us a better understanding of the interrelated physical processes involved, and the implications for high-z objects.

We present the 2D kinematic properties of the ionized gas phase (H $\alpha$ ) for the whole sample, for which relatively high linear resolution and signal-to-noise (S/N) ratio can be achieved (Bellocchi+2013). Then, we discussed the results obtained when applying the "kinemetry" method (Krajnovic+2006), along with the kinematic criteria used by Shapiro+2008 ("unweighted") and Bellocchi+2012 ("weighted") to distinguish between "rotation-dominated disks" and "major mergers", considering the asymmetries in both the velocity field (v) and velocity dispersion ( $\sigma$ ) maps (Bellocchi+2016).



#### *`Kinemetryc' analysis*

- LINE FITTING and MAP GENERATION: spatially resolved kinematic maps of the narrow (systemic) and broad components
- DERIVATION OF KINEMATIC PARAMETERS: v<sub>shear</sub>, σ, v/σ, M<sub>dvn</sub> (Bellocchi+2013)
- KINEMETRY: <u>Harmonic Fourier expansion</u> of 2D maps of observed moments (velocity field /velocity dispersion)
- The <u>kinematic asymmetries</u>  $\sigma_{asym}$ ,  $v_{asym}$  (i.e., deviations with respect to the ideal rotating disk case) derived according to the "unweighted" and "weighted" criteria for the whole sample (Bellocchi +2016)
- Definition of TOTAL KINEMATIC ASYMMETRY K<sub>tot</sub> :







### 2D kinematic properties in local (U)LIRGs

 $K_{tot} = (v_{asym}^2 + \sigma_{asym}^2)\frac{1}{2}$ 





## Results (I): Bellocchi+2013

- Clear correlation exists between the different phases of merging process (disk, interacting and merger) and the mean kinematic properties (v\*/ $\sigma$  = 4.7, 3.0, 1.8)  $\rightarrow$  disks are the most rotation dominated, mergers are the most dispersion dominated
- The sample covers the gap between local spirals and Ellipticals/SOs: LIRGs classified as disks partially overlap with local spirals with similar  $v_{shear}$  but larger  $\sigma_{mean} \rightarrow$  thicker disks in LIRGs than in spirals; interacting and mergers (U)LIRGs have  $v^*/\sigma_{mean}$  closer to E/SO
- $\sigma_c/\sigma_{mean}$  excellent discriminator between disks and mergers
- Rotation anti-correlates with the infrared luminosity  $L_{IR}$ : higher fraction of objects with complex kinematics (v\*/ $\sigma$  <1) among ULIRGs than LIRGs
- Dynamical mass ranges from 0.04 to 1.4 m<sup>\*</sup> (m<sup>\*</sup> = 1.4 x  $10^{11}M_{\odot}$ ) with ULIRGs more massive than LIRGs by a factor of 2  $\rightarrow$  (U)LIRG mergers involve sub-m\* galaxies of similar mass
- The subclass of (U)LIRGs classified as mergers share similar kinematics with LBAs, although LBAs show M<sub>dvn</sub> a factor of 5 smaller.

Relationship between the 'kinemetry' asymmetry K<sub>tot</sub> and morpho-kinematic parameters: L<sub>IR</sub>, interaction phase and dynamical ratio

F O Paired disk	
O Ungoing merger	





Results (II): Bellocchi+2016

◆ K<sub>tot</sub> - L<sub>IR</sub>: the most luminous objects (ULIRGs) show high kinematic asymmetry K<sub>tot</sub>

#### ◆ K<sub>tot</sub> – proj. nucl. sep:

- kinematic asymmetries increase during the early stages of the interaction - asymmetries reach their maximum during the "ongoing merger phase" - they decrease during the post-coalescence mergers phase (some dispersion)

•  $K_{tot}$  – dynamical ratio v\*/ $\sigma$ : an inverse trend is derived between the  $K_{tot}$  and the intrinsic dynamical ratio  $v^*/\sigma$ : morphologically classified disks show higher dynamical ratio ( $v^*/\sigma > 2$ ) and lower total kinematic asymmetry K<sub>tot</sub> (< 0.14).

Our results support the 'kinematic downsizing' scenario proposed by Kassin+2012.



- Derivation of KINEMATIC PARAMETERS for both the STELLAR and GAS components in local galaxies using PMAS/PPpak as part of the CALIFA survey (Sanchez +2014) and MUSE data (Galbany+2016)  $\rightarrow$  v<sub>shear</sub>,  $\sigma$ , v\*/ $\sigma$ , M<sub>dyn</sub>
- Development of automatic (python) scripts based on Bayesian approach to derive the best fit parameter (i.e., wavelength, FWHM, flux) for each spaxel (Bellocchi in prep.)
- Application of "BaTMAn" to our data

→ "BaTMAn: Bayesian Technique for Multi-image Analiysis". It is a new technique to perform adaptive binning based on Bayesian statistics. It merges together pixels/spaxels/regions that contain the same information 'within their own errors' (Casado et al. in prep.).

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