A Group of Coherently Receding Halo Stars Towards Norma

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Overview





Tidal imprints of dark-matter dominated dwarf galaxies

- Responsive cold outer disk
- Large cross-section for interaction
- Short term memory
- The best of hydrodynamics!

Footprints of Dark Sub-Halos

483 +UGCA365 HI distribution (9-point mosaic)

-29°3

Atomic hydrogen (HI) Maps



Disturbances in HI disks in local spirals: Proof of Principle



Grand et al. 2017 — similar structures in cosmological sims







optical image

 $a_m(r) = \int \Sigma(r, \phi) e^{-im\phi} d\phi$ Local Fourier Amplitudes of HI data: Metric of Comparison to simulations

M51 Simulation Comparison



Chakrabarti, Bigiel, Chang & Blitz, 2011



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Variance Vs Variance



Best-fits -- close to origin on variance vs variance plot, shown at bestfit time. "Variants" include varying initial conditions (ICs), interstellar medium (ISM), SFR, orbital inclination, etc. Estimate of M_s (1:3) close to observational numbers.



Galaxies with known optical companions contd.



- ~I:100 satellite, R_{peri} = 7kpc (close agreement with Koribalski & Sanchez 09) (global fourier amplitudes)
- Method works for 1:3 1:100 mass ratio satellites



HI Map of Milky Way

HI maps: Levine, Blitz & Heiles 2006. What caused these structures well outside the solar circle?

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Parameter space survey of simulations to explain observed disturbances in HI map of Milky Way. Chakrabarti & Blitz 2009.

Initial Conditions, Orbits -- what really matters?



Not very sensitive to initial conditions (for parameters comparable to spirals).

The Tidal Players of the Milky Way







5-sigma excess of variables (P > 3 days, K_s > 15 mag) in VVV (Saito et al. 2012) disk area towards I ~ 333 (Chakrabarti et al. 2015; 2017)

A Group of Variable Stars



Flamingos-2 Spectra





Average $v_r \sim 169$ km/s

F2 Spectra — Implications

- Radial velocities are distinct from the galactic disk.
- Probability that these stars are foreground Milky Way stars is 7 x 10⁻⁴ %
- Probability that they are large amplitude spotted stars in a binary is 10⁻⁵ %
- Spectra or light curves do not clearly establish what these variable stars are.
- If Type I Cepheids, they would be at 78 kpc.

Future Work



Result from extinction correcting target tiles close to I ~ 333 and subtracting Galactic background tile. Excess comparable to location of red clump stars at ~ 80 kpc. Ongoing: <u>Deeper Spitzer 4.5</u> <u>um photometry of target fields</u> (Ben Sargent PI): H-4.5um for better extinction correction.

More spectra of other Cepheid candidates and higher S/N spectra

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