## Using the perturbed Milky Way as a time machine and dark matter detector

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## Life when things were good (2 months in 2020):



### **Quarantine life (March 2020 - now)**

March





May



June

### November



## Fundamental questions in Galaxy Formation/Galactic Archaeology:

- How did the Milky Way (an L\* galaxy) form?
- What can galaxies (e.g. Milky Way) teach us about what dark matter could be or is not?

## Dark matter seeding galaxy formation

Years after the Big Bang 400 thousand 0.1 billion 4 billion 8 billion 13.8 billion 1 billion The Big Bang Recombination The Dark Age Present day Reionization **Fully ionized** leutralized Fully ionized 1000 100 10 Credit: NAOJ 1+Redshift

#### Computers simulations of structure formation predict:

- 1. Density profile for dark matter (NFW 1996)
- 2. Shape (triaxial)
- 3. Abundance of DM substructure (hierarchy) dependent on the particle nature of DM: over 20 orders of magnitude in mass (down to Earth mass for GeV DM candidate)
- 4. Phase-space structure -> indirect/direct detection

On Galactic scales, these are **prone to modifications due to baryonic physics** 



# Stellar halos as a testament for the hierarchical growth of galaxies

#### Andromeda Galaxy PandAS survey



Surface Brigthness map through star count colour-coded by metallicity

N-body simulation of a stellar halo

**Bullock & Johnston 2005** 

Simulated surface brightness map

## Why this galaxy?

## 1. What can the Milky Way teach us about galaxy formation?

## 2. What is dark matter? How is it distributed & behave on small/large scale?

# 3. Can we use dynamics to reconstruct the formation history of the Milky Way?

100 kpc

100 kpc

## 1. What can the Milky Way teach us about galaxy formation in a cosmological context?

Ancient shredded and surviving dwarfs in MW: **a resolved window into re-ionization** in our cosmic backyard

Test bed for galaxy formation at the **smallest mass scales** but also for a **L\* galaxy**.





## 2. What/Where is dark matter? Astrophysics / Particle physics link

DM clustering on smallest scales

regime most sensitivite to particle nature of DM

how does it "behave" on large scales (~100 kpc)?



Linear matter power spectrum at z=0

### Dark matter will be detected on Earth

## 3. Can we use dynamics to reconstruct the formation history of the Milky Way?



How did the Galaxy grow and evolve?

What were the important events in the lifetime of the Galaxy?

Quantify imprints of internal vs externally driven processes?

## Seriously, what does the Milky Way even look like?

90s: Milky Way has a **bar** (COBE DIRBE)

late 90s: **Sagittarius** dwarf galaxy (3rd most luminous MW companion)

2000s: 2MASS, SDSS - dwarf streams, GC streams, faint satellites, streams with no progenitors

2010s: deeper surveys (DES, HSC): **MORE of the above + FAINTER!** 

2018 & 2020s: Gaia, age of large spectroscopic surveys & Vera Rubin Obs

2030: Now that we know what the MW looks like, let's go ahead and age date every star in it!!!

## The Anticenter viewed by Pan-STARRS in MSTOs

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**Sgr** ->

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#### Bernard+16

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## "Monoceros Ring"

(originall discovered in SDSS Newberg+02)

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#### **Eastern Banded Structure**

Sgr

->

**Anticenter Stream** 

(Grillmair06)

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Monoceros Ring"

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Structures @ d~10 kpc

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## Beyond the Monoceros Complex (d~10 kpc)

Beyond ~20 kpc:

- Triangulum Andromeda overdensity
- Perseus overdensity

Originally detected with 2MASS (Majewski+03, Rocha Pinto+04)



Rocha-Pinto+04

## TriAnd / PAndAS field of Streams

## Substructure within substructure



Same game as before:

Martin+14

## TriAnd / PAndAS field of Streams



### Local oscillations of the disc





pre-Gaia

Widrow+12 (discovery)

Laporte+19c

#### Sgr induces vertical oscillations in the Solar neighbourhood



Laporte+18b

### ...and outer disc structures



## Phase-space spiral due to disc response during last stages of Sgr's orbit



### Simulated velocity fields



### Local effect of Sgr in the Solar Neighbourhood



## The Anticenter viewed by Pan-STARRS



### Schlegel et al. 1998 dust map in the midplane



Dust affects **luminosity** of your stars, **difficult for imaging**, total nuisance for exploring Galactic structure in the midplane

### Schlegel et al. 1998 dust map in the midplane



Stellar motions **trace** Galactic structure and do not care about dust\*.

\*Only affects the luminosities down to which you can detect the proper motions spatially.

## Finding halo centers in cosmological simulations

- Minimum of potential (right way)
- Shrinking sphere (cheap/fast way) - great for identifying first subhalos\*

\*can struggle in merger situations when two subhalos spatially overlap and converge on second subhalo



Netto+07

## Apply a shrinking sphere algorithm to 2D proper motion data to the full Gaia catalog for stars d>10 kpc.



GCs, classical dSphs, Andromeda, M33, Sgr stream + body even Magellanic Bridges (young & old) correctly picked up

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## Unsharp masked image



Good for revealing strong constrast... but still get a slight residual from dust

### A background map to the rescue



Variable stars in structures - give extra info on distance



New structures detected towards the midplane at |b|<10 and two below at b~20-30.



F = Eastern Banded Structure (Grillmair06), B= Anticenter Stream (Grillmair06) \*E, A, D, G, C = LKB-01,LKB-02,LKB-03,LKB-04,LKB-05











uncorrected for solar reflex motion



uncorrected for solar reflex motion



#### Proper motion maps (solar reflex motion corrected\*)



\*Correction assumes d~13 kpc overall - does not work on high lat edges

### Did we *really* miss them just because of dust???





## Magnitude (distance) variation for Red Clump candidates (0.9<BP-RP<1.2)

### LKB-03 (Dumile)



subgiant - expected at 2.5-3 magnitudes below (see also Belokurov+06)

## Relation to Triangulum Andromeda overdensity & PandAs field of Streams?



## **Kinematics & Metallicity**



<[Fe/H]>\_LKB-03~-0.6 (similar to ACS Laporte+20a) Disc-like kinematics vphi~230-180 km/s Wider spread in energy Seq 1 (large-scale background) Smaller Energy spread in Seq 2 (substructure)

predicted kinematics of outer disc from pre-Gaia DR2 Sgr impact model (Laporte+18b)



OK, chemistry says this is disc material but do we have an interpretation as to what these streamy structure could be?

## Two possibilities, would need to follow-up to be certain

# ACS-like structures in numerical N-body simulations



## ACS-like structures in numerical N-body simulations feathers

![](_page_49_Figure_1.jpeg)

Bernard+16

Laporte+19a

#### Folds from a corrugated disc

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The two can certainly co-exist within the disc... need to find a way to tell

## Anticenter structures: spatial/kinematic selection

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## Other Anticenter structures (Monoceros, ACS) Chemistry

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Confirmation of the disc nature of feathers

ages distributions and evidence for modulation in SFH in outer disc

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## Using the disc to constrain the orbital mass loss history of Sgr

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Ruiz-Lara et al. 2020

## Spectroscopic follow-up with WEAVE (PI: Laporte)

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20 pointings, ~16,000 spectra for **MSTOs (not covered by WEAVE GA survey)** down to G~20 to get photo-spectroscopic ages in substructure/background

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Science questions:

- Modulation in SFHs? (see also Ruiz-Lara+20)
- Timing impacts of perturber(s)?
- Which structures are genuine "feathers" which ones are folds?

phase-space spiral behaviour in a **Galactic** potential perturbed by a recent satellite encounter

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## First measurement of the dark matter density using **non**equilibrium dynamics rules out thin dark disc

## Model background phasespace distribution modelled as GMM

What's left is the phasespace spiral -> potential

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Widmark, Laporte, de Salas (2021) Widmark, Laporte, de Salas, Monari (2021)

## Applied to eleven different volumes around the Sun

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Fig. 6: Inferred gravitational potential at height z = 400 pc for all data samples (s from -5 to 5 and  $\sqrt{X^2 + Y^2} < 300$  pc). The markers and vertical lines show the mean and standard deviations as derived from jackknifing, where the colours represent the three fixed values for the height of the Sun ( $Z_{\odot} = \{0, 10, 20\}$  pc). The grey band represents the baryonic model, including a dark matter density of 0.011 ± 0.003 M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>pc<sup>-3</sup>.

#### Local DM\_density = $0.0085 \pm 0.0039$ Mpc^-3 = $0.32 \pm 0.15$ GeV cm^-3

## Conclusions

- Proper motions can be used to probe Galactic structure cheap new efficient method to explore substructure in the disc based (to be extended to treat multiple peaks)
- Many newly uncovered substructures towards the midplane historically heavily obscured by dust (Laporte, Koposov & Belokurov 2021)
- Could be groups of stars coherently excited during satellite encounters or folds of bending waves seen in projection. Confirmation for a few structures already from legacy surveys (Laporte+20)
- Spectroscopic follow up possible to get reliable ages potentially probe sequence of events that shaped SFH of outer disc (more on that in the future)
- Non-equilibrium dynamics can be used constrain DM density locally (but also prospects to apply it across the disc are good) - Widmark+21

## THANK YOU IPMU

![](_page_62_Picture_1.jpeg)

Hope to see you all again in the near future...

... hopefully IPMU GA workshop 2022