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# Dissipationless collapse with non-vanishing angular momentum

yet another possible Gaia Challenge playground



## Kinematical and morphological complexity in young and intermediate age star clusters

Detailed dynamical study of two other LMC clusters: NGC 1866 (100 Myr) NGC 1850 (50 Myr)

Challenging to measure, yet increasingly appreciated

Fisher et al. 1992, 1993



47 Tuc | Bianchini, Varri, Bertin, Zocchi 2013



NGC 4372 | Kacharov, Bianchini et al. 2014

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Synergy between ground-based spectroscopic surveys (Gaia-ESO) and HST + Gaia proper motions will be key

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#### Renaud et al. 2015



Collapse of a single cloud with complex kinematics and morphology, either in isolated or merging galaxies

> Bonnell et al. 2003, Fall & Rees 1985, and many, many others



## Collision and merger of small clouds or proto-clusters

Akiyama & Sugimoto 1990, Makino, Okumura, Ebisuzaki & Makino 1991, Fujimoto & Kumai 1997, Baumgardt et al. 2003 [G1], Gieles et al. in prep.

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\* Should actually read as "early dynamical evolution"; this talk is gas-free, sorry!



Gott 1973

## Explored as formation scenario for Ellipticals

Gott 1973, Hohl & Zang 1979, Akiyama & Sugimoto 1989, Aguilar & Merritt 1990

... what about star clusters?

# Violent relaxation\* with non-vanishing total angular momentum

\* i.e., "dissipationless collapse" - à la Lynden Bell 1967, van Albada 1982 ...



Aguilar & Merritt 1990



1. System in an external tidal field, without initial internal rotation

### Generalization in two flavors



2. Isolated system, with non-vanishing initial total angular momentum



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#### Reference models

Homogeneous and fractal spheres (D=3.0, 2.8, 2.4)

Initial solid body rotation

Qran = 2Kran/|W|= 0.1, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75

Qrot = 2Krot/|W| = [0.0], 0.16, 0.33, 0.50

N=60000, equal-mass particles Starlab, survey of 32 models

Varri, Vesperini, Tiongco et al., in preparation

Violent relaxation of isolated systems with non-vanishing total angular momentum



Homogeneous, cold, non-rotating

H1a: D=3.0, Qran=0.1, Qrot=0.0

Homogeneous, cold, rotating

H3a: D=3.0, Qran=0.1, Qrot=0.33

Clumpy, cold,

F24\_3a: D=2.4, Qran=0.1, Qrot=0.33

Varri, Vesperini, Tiongco et al., in preparation

 $3 x/r_{h.0}$ 



Rotation curves and velocity dispersion profiles

Varri, Vesperini, Tiongco et al., in preparation



β

$$\beta = 1 - \frac{\sigma_{\theta}^2 + \sigma_{\phi}^2}{2\sigma_r^2}$$

Tangential anisotropy, for the cold homogeneous non-rotating case, noted - but not interpreted - also by Trenti, Bertin, van Albada 2005

### $log(r/r_h)$

## Anisotropy in the velocity space



of the phase space

A glimpse

Homogeneous, cold, rotating



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For a wide class of self-gravitating systems, we show that if the density is cusped like  $r^{-n}$  near the center, then the limiting value of the anisotropy parameter  $\beta = 1 - (e_i^2)A(e_i^2)$ ) at the curre cannot be greater than  $\gamma/2$ . Here  $\langle r_i^2 \rangle$  and  $\langle r_i^2 \rangle$  are the radial and tangential velocity second moments. This follows from the nonnegativity of the phase-space density. We compare this theorem to other proposed relations between the cusp slope and the central anisotropy to clarify their applicabilities and underlying assumptions. The extension of this theorem to tracer populations in an externally imposed potential is also derived. In particular, for stars moving in the vicinity of a central black hole, this reduces to  $\gamma \geq \beta + \frac{1}{2}$ , indicating that an isotropic system in Keplerian potential should be cusped at least as steep as  $r^{-1/2}$ . Similar limits have been noticed before for specific forms of the distribution function, but here we establish this as a general result.

Subject headings: galaxies: kinematics and dynamics - methods: analytical - stellar dynamics

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Following the seminal result of An & Evans, known as the central density slope–anisotropy theorem, successive investigations unexpectedly revealed that the density slope–anisotropy inequality holds not only at the centre, but at all radii in a very large class of spherical systems whenever the phase-space distribution function is positive. In this paper we derive a criterion that holds for all spherical systems in which the augmented density is a separable function of radius and potential: this new finding allows us to unify all the previous results in a very elegant way, and opens the way for more general investigations. As a first application, we prove that the global density slope–anisotropy inequality is also satisfied by all the explored additional families of multicomponent stellar systems. The present results, and the absence of known counterexamples, lead us to conjecture that the global density slope–anisotropy inequality could actually be a universal property of spherical systems with positive distribution function.

Key words: celestial mechanics – galaxies: elliptical and lenticular, cD – galaxies: kinematics and dynamics.

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#### ON THE UNIVERSALITY OF THE GLOBAL DENSITY SLOPE-ANISOTROPY INEQUALITY

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Consistency criteria for spherical, anisotropic systems

## ... what about axisymmetric, rotating systems?



 $d \ln \rho (r)$  $\gamma(r) =$  $d \ln r$ 

$$\beta = 1 - \frac{\sigma_{\theta}^2 + \sigma_{\phi}^2}{2\sigma_r^2}$$

$$\gamma(r) \geqslant 2\beta(r)$$

Density slope - anisotropy plane

β

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"...well, this smells like a Theorem that someone should really try to prove"

> Douglas Heggie Blackford Hill, Edinburgh



Dwarf galaxies: Core or Cusp?

1000

1000

## Why would it be important?



Sculptor (2 pop) | Zhu, van de Ven, Watkins, Posti 2016

## Physical origin of tangential anisotropy?

1. Signature imprinted by formation process



**N-body model on circular orbit |** Baumgardt & Makino 2003 Takahashi & Lee 2000, Hurley & Shara 2012



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## Parting thoughts

Some mocks available on the GC wiki

alvarri.com annalisa.varri@gmail.com @parallasseh Ever-increasing observational evidence of kinematic complexity in star clusters, young and old.

Very much looking forward to the synergy Gaia + HST + ground-based spectroscopic surveys, for selected GGCs.

#### Non-vanishing total angular momentum in the violent relaxation scenario may leave unique fingerprints in phase space.

Varri, Vesperini et al., in preparation Vesperini, Varri, McMillan, Zepf, MNRAS Letters, 2014

Star clusters are always my favourite excuse to study new chapters of stellar dynamics of rotating systems.

More on the construction of rotating equilibria, wait for Alice Zocchi and Phil Breen's talks later this week!