Probing the formation of globular clusters and their MPs with (chemo)dynamics

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For one of these Bologna specialties, the recipe is still a mystery...









Multiple populations in GCs: spectroscopic evidence



 $C \downarrow N \land O \downarrow Na \land Mg \downarrow Al \land He \land \& no Fe variations^*$

* but a few exceptions



- Na-O anti-correlation present in (almost) all old GCs observed to date

- anomalous stars: typically >50 % of GC stars (only ~3% of field stars)

- seen in RGB stars, but also SGB and main sequence stars

 signature of matter processed in high-temperature stellar interiors

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Multiple populations in GCs: photometric evidence



Complex CMDs: multiple main sequences, double SGB, multi-modal RGB, multi-modal HB...

Features can be explained by He enrichment or lightelement abundance spreads

Multiple populations in GCs: photometric evidence

Large **variety** in the observed pattern of MPs from one GC to the other + **discreteness** of subpopulations



HST UV Legacy survey - Piotto et al. 2015

Multiple populations in GCs: additional facts

Anomalous (SG) stars typically outnumber "normal" (FG) stars

Light-element and He abundance spreads, and fraction of "anomalous" ("second generation" - SG) stars correlate with cluster mass



Formation scenarios for MPs



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Two-body relaxation progressively erases memory of the initial conditions...

... but less so in the outer parts of clusters

$$t_{\rm rl} \propto \frac{\langle v^2 \rangle^{3/2}}{\langle m \rangle \ \rho}$$

 $t_{\rm rl} > t_{\rm rl}$



Spatial distribution of MPs



When differences are found, SG stars are usually more centrally concentrated than FG stars, as predicted or designed by the various formation scenarios proposed.

e.g. Lardo et al. 2011

Spatial and kinematic mixing of MPs

ICs: spatially segregated populations, $N_{2G}/N_{1G} = 1$

Complete spatial and kinematic mixing when 60-70% of mass lost due to twobody relaxation (70-80% when including stellar evolution mass lost)



Vesperini et al. 2013

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Some memory of ICs should be preserved in outer parts of many GCs



Kinematic differences: anisotropy





F606W-F814W - (F606W-F814W)_{med}

SG stars -> more radially anisotropic velocity distribution



Richer et al. 2013

Kinematic differences: anisotropy

NGC 2808 - HST proper motions

SG stars -> more radially anisotropic velocity distribution beyond R $\sim r_h$



Bellini et al. 2015

Kinematic differences: anisotropy

More radially biased velocity anisotropy expected if SG started more centrally concentrated and diffused outward, regardless of exact configuration



Kinematic differences: rotation



Dissipative accretion of AGB ejecta in cluster core could produce flattened and rotating SG



Bekki 2010, 2011

Kinematic differences: rotation

Differences in rotation amplitude a potential way to distinguish between scenarios and probe initial orbital configuration of subpopulations

Hints in some GCs studied by Bellazzini et al. (2012), but they could not reach definitive conclusions due to small sample sizes



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Kinematics of MPs: M13 - an ideal candidate



Kinematics of MPs: Bayesian analysis

l.o.s. dispersion profile:
$$\sigma^2(R) = \frac{\sigma_0^2}{\sqrt{1 + R^2/a^2}}$$
 Plummer (1911)

Rotation curve:
$$V_{\text{rot}} \sin i(X_{\text{PA}_0}) = \frac{2A_{\text{rot}}}{R_{\text{peak}}} \frac{X_{\text{PA}_0}}{1 + (X_{\text{PA}_0}/R_{\text{peak}})^2}$$

c.f. Lagoute & Longaretti (1996) Varri & Bertin (2012)

Likelihood function based on purely kinematic model with six free parameters (v_0 , A_{rot} , R_{peak} , PA_0 , σ_0 , a):

$$\Lambda_{i}(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}|\boldsymbol{\Theta}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi (\sigma_{\nu,i}^{2} + \sigma^{2})}} \exp\left[\frac{-(\nu_{i} - \nu_{0} - V_{\text{rot}} \sin i)^{2}}{2 (\sigma_{\nu,i}^{2} + \sigma^{2})}\right]$$

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Kinematics of MPs in M13: results



Faster rotation for the "extreme" subpopulation



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Difference in rotational amplitude of ~4 km/s between "extreme" and "intermediate" populations



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Possible sources of contamination to rotation signal



Velocity gradient not from geometrical projection effect due to proper motion of the cluster, nor a spurious feature from alignment of tidal tails/Lagrange points

Cordero, Hénault-Brunet et al. 2016

x [kpc]

-2

-8

Faster rotation of "extreme" pop.: interpretation?



More likely originates from the formation of this subpopulation

Then it invalidates the "early disc accretion" scenario

Stellar collisions?

Dissipative collapse?



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MPs and the mass-budget problem

Upper limit on mass lost from GCs and initial FG population, based ratio of field and GC stars in dwarf galaxies and in the inner regions of the MW.

Is tweaking the IMF of GCs a way to offset/mitigate the mass budget problem?





Equilibrium multi-mass models of GCs vs. N-body



Zocchi et al. 2016; Peuten et al., in prep.; using LIMEPY models (Gieles & Zocchi 2015)

Fitting multi-mass models to data



From models compute: - Surface brightness & number density profiles

- Velocity dispersion & anisotropy profiles

- Local stellar mass function

flexible (e.g. freedom about MF & remnants) v physically motivated

✓ fast to solve (-> MCMC)

Mock data: N-body simulation of M4

- Star by star *N*-body simulation of GC M4 (Heggie 2014)
- After 12 Gyr of dynamical and stellar evolution, matches M4 main observables (surface brigthness and velocity dispersion profiles, local luminosity function)
- Used to build mock observations to test mass modelling methods



Fitting multi-mass models to M4 mock



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Weighing the dark remnants



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Long-term kinematic imprints of the formation of multiple populations can survive to the present day in the outer parts MW GCs.

Differences in the rotational amplitude of subpopulations provide new constraints on formation scenarios.

In M13, the "extreme" population appears to rotate faster than other subpopulations. This is most likely a remnant of its formation process rather than an effect of dynamical evolution.

Multi-mass models fitted to observational constraints (kinematics, structural data, main-sequence stellar mass function) can be used to "weigh" dark remnants in GCs.