## Time-stamping a LIRG merger





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# SUNBIRD -

SuperNovae & star-Bursts in the InfraRed

VLT/NACO/Sinfoni and Gemini/Altair/GEMS adaptive optics imaging in the NIR

**SALT** spectroscopy

+ archival HST, Spitzer

~ 40 LIRGS ~ 40 lower lum SBs

Mainly 20-100 Mpc



# Young massive clusters

### Most massive population of stellar clusters. Globular cluster progenitors ?

Are cluster formation and disruption affected by the host galaxy conditions?





### the Antennea (NGC 4038/4039)

### Full of SSCs / YMCs

# Which of them survive ?

### **Disappearing clusters**

[Vaisanen+14]

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# The *K*-band luminosity functions of super star clusters in luminous infrared galaxies, their slopes and the effects of blending

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#### STAR CLUSTERS IN A NUCLEAR STAR FORMING RING: THE DISAPPEARING STRING OF PEARLS

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NEAR-INFRARED ADAPTIVE OPTICS IMAGING OF INFRARED LUMINOUS GALAXIES: THE BRIGHTEST CLUSTER MAGNITUDE–STAR FORMATION RATE RELATION

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# **LIRG** evolution

#### (c) Interaction/"Merger"



- now within one halo, galaxies interact & lose angular momentum

- SFR starts to increase

- stellar winds dominate feedback - rarely excite QSOs (only special orbits)

#### (b) "Small Group"



#### - halo accretes similar-mass companion(s) - can occur over a wide mass range - Mhalo still similar to before: dynamical friction merges

the subhalos efficiently

(a) Isolated Disk



- halo & disk grow, most stars formed - secular growth builds bars & pseudobulges - "Seyfert" fueling (AGN with Me>-23) - cannot redden to the red sequence

#### (d) Coalescence/(U)LIRG



- galaxies coalesce: violent relaxation in core - gas inflows to center: starburst & buried (X-ray) AGN - starburst dominates luminosity/feedback, but, total stellar mass formed is small

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yr<sup>-1</sup>]

(Me)

SFR



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Time (Relative to Merger) [Gyr]

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(e) "Blowout"

- BH grows rapidly: briefly dominates luminosity/feedback - remaining dust/gas expelled - get reddened (but not Type II) QSO: recent/ongoing SF in host high Eddington ratios merger signatures still visible

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[Hopkins+07]



(f) Quasar

- dust removed: now a "traditional" QSO - host morphology difficult to observe: tidal features fade rapidly - characteristically blue/young spheroid

#### (g) Decay/K+A



#### (h) "Dead" Elliptical



- growth by "dry" mergers

# **LIRG** evolution



# Adaptive optics imaging and optical spectroscopy of a multiple merger in a luminous infrared galaxy $\bigstar$

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#### The nuclear polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon emission of merger system NGC 1614: rings within rings

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# Shutting down or powering up a (U)LIRG? Merger components in distinctly different evolutionary states in IRAS 19115–2124 (the Bird)

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# Starbursts, mergers and AGN

How does the interplay happen?

# Starbursts, mergers and AGN

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# Star formation and AGN activity in a sample of local luminous infrared galaxies through multiwavelength characterization

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#### e-MERLIN and VLBI observations of the luminous infrared galaxy IC 883: a nuclear starburst and an AGN candidate revealed

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# Gas outflows

- Fundamental part of general galaxy evolution models
- But how do gas flows work, as a function of type, environment, and how far do they reach
- Fast and massive? Or e.g.
   "dripping faucet" type?





# Time-stamping star-formation in a complex galaxy merger with VLT and SALT

### IRAS 19115-2124 "The Bird"

Vaisanen+ 08 Vaisanen+ 17

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SF dominated by a minor component [VLT/Sinfoni]



IRAS 19115-2124 "The Bird"

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# Shock heating around the nuclei

### Sinfoni J+K cubes (line ratios)



# Budding AGN activity in massive component ?

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# **Gas flows**

### Blue-shifted velocity components all over



# Gas flows



## **Difference in Star Formation Histories**



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# **Bird kinematics and dynamics**









Arc Seconds

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# **Bird Summary**



- LIRGS provide a lab to study many key
- BIRD observed in AO-IFU and SALT : able to age-date SF histories and correlate to outflows and (possible) AGN growth
- Three components of the Bird appear to be in very distinct evolutionary stages
  - beware of interpreting global (U)LIRG properties

 Superwinds shape galaxy evolution – we see quenching in action – work on-going