# Ram Pressure Stripping of the Magellanic System



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# The Magellanic System

Potential Inflow rate  $\sim$ 3.6-6.7 M<sub> $\odot$ </sub>/yr (Fox+ 2014) [ may be more frequent in the PAST ]

> Leading Arm Putman+ 2003

Bridge Kerr 1954

> LMC SMC

Magellanic Stream Mathewson + 1974, 1977 Dieter 1965; van Kuilenberg 1972 Wannier & Wrixon 1972

Nidever+ 2010

 $M_{Gas outside} \sim 2 \times 10^9 M_{\odot} (d/55 \text{ kpc})^2 > 2 \times M_{Gas LMC+SMC}$  Fox + 2014

# What is the Dominant Formation Mechanism of the Extended HI Structures?

## 1. MW Tides

Murai & Fugimoto 1980, Lin+1995, Gardner & Noguchi 1996, Yoshizawa & Noguchi 2003, Bekki & Chiba 2005, Connors+ 2005, Ruzicka+2010

## 2. Ram Pressure Stripping of LMC

Moore & Davis 1994, Heller & Rohlfs 1994, Mastropietro + 2005, 2009, Salem, Besla+2015

## 3. LMC-SMC Interactions (Bridge)

High Mass LMC: Besla + 2010, 2012, 2013 Low Mass LMC: Diaz & Bekki 2012, Guglielmo+2014

## MW Tides? But the LMC Radius > 18.5 kpc

SMC also has an extended stellar component ~11 kpc (Nidever + 2011)





#### Besla, Martinez-Delgado+2016





### Simulation Set Up



# The Recent Pericentric Passage of the LMC about the MW is Model Independent





Enzo AMR Simulations

Resolution: 30 pc

No cooling.

Gas initially at 10<sup>6</sup> K



Salem, Besla +2015



## Constraints on CGM density at ~ 48 kpc



**IF BETA PROFILE:** 

$$M_{gas smooth}$$
 (R < 300 kpc) = 2.6 (+/- 1.4) x 10<sup>10</sup> M $\odot$ 

(7-24% of Expected Baryons in 1e12 halo)

Similar to that inferred for M31 (Lehner et al. 2015)

## Contribution to the Mag. Stream/CGM?

10 KPC

 $\sim 7 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{M}_{\odot}$ ~ 1% of MS





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## Conclusions

- The LMC's HI disk shows evidence of truncation by ram pressure stripping in the direction of motion (r<sub>trunc</sub>= 6.2 +/- 0.25 kpc)
- This provides a direct constraint on the gas density of the MW's CGM at ~ 48 kpc

 $n_{\rm MWHalo}(R = 48.2 \pm 2.5 \text{ kpc}) = 1.1^{+.44}_{-.45} \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ 

- LMC will generate a bow shock 30 kpc in radius : increased mixing in CGM and satellites will exist within the shock.
- Ram pressure stripping from the LMC contributes negligibly to the mass content of the HI Stream
- Instead, LMC tides strip material from the SMC: preprocessing in small dwarf group environment may aid in the removal of gas and quenching of small systems.