



Curvature of the Galaxy Brightness Profile for Structural Analysis

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Introduction

$$\text{morphology} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \text{photometry (parametric)} \\ \text{morphometry (non-parametric)} \end{cases}$$

- parametric: [profile fitting](#) (e.g. Sérsic law) (Caon et al., 1993; de Souza et al., 2004; Erwin, 2015; Gadotti, 2008; Peng et al., 2002; Simard et al., 2011; Sérsic, 1963), , [ellipse fitting](#), (Cabrera-Lavers and Garzón, 2004; Erwin and Sparke, 2003; Gadotti et al., 2007; Jungwiert et al., 1997; Laurikainen et al., 2005), ...
- non-parametric: [CASGM- \$H\sigma_{\psi}\chi\$](#) (Abraham et al., 1994; Bershadsky et al., 2000; Conselice et al., 2000; Ferrari et al., 2015; Kent, 1985));

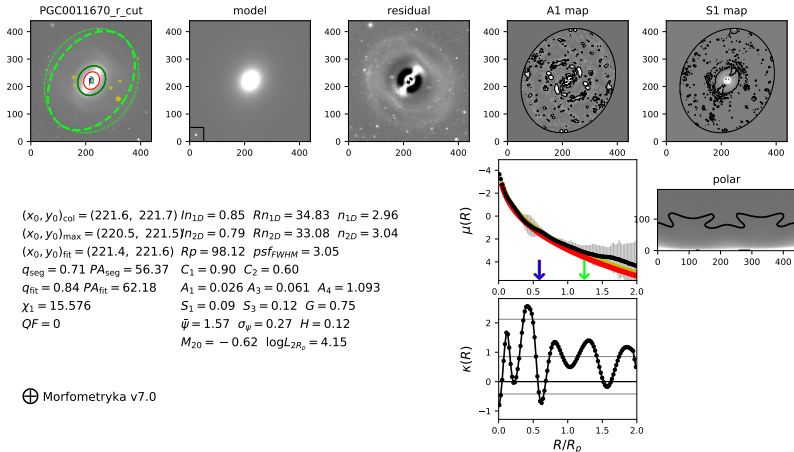


FIGURE 1: Example for NGC 1211.

Curvature

What about a non-parametric way for
multicomponent/structural analysis?

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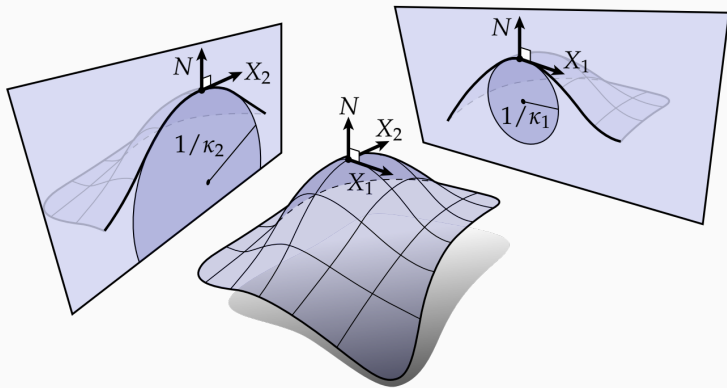


FIGURE 2: Adapted from Crane et al. (2013)

What:

We apply the curvature on the galaxy profile in order to study how each part of it changes along radius.

Objectives:

Identify and characterise galaxy multicomponents.

CURVATURE: NORMALIZATION OF $I(R)$ AND R

- normalizations for enhancing smooth structures and preserve curvature's definition:

$$\nu(R) \equiv \frac{\log[I(R)] - \min(\log I)}{\max(\log I) - \min(\log I)}, \quad \chi = \frac{R}{2R_p} \quad (1)$$

- why $\log I$?

Because the curvature of a disk in log space is ZERO!!

CURVATURE: NORMALIZATION OF $I(R)$ AND R

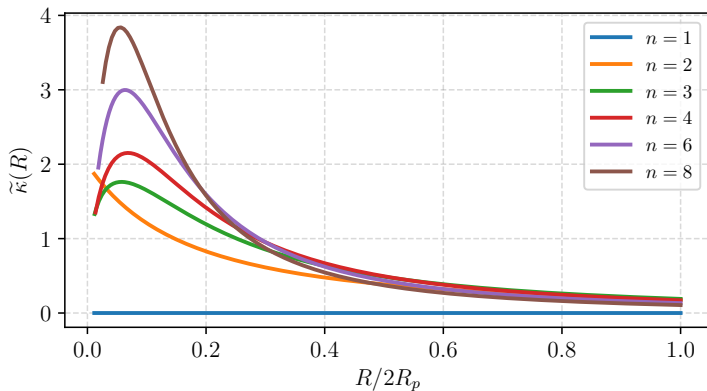
Normalized curvature $\tilde{\kappa}$:

$$\tilde{\kappa}(R) = \frac{\frac{d^2 \nu(R)}{d\chi^2}}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{d\nu(R)}{d\chi} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}} = \frac{4R_p^2 \frac{d^2 \nu(R)}{dR^2}}{\left[1 + 4R_p^2 \left(\frac{d\nu(R)}{dR} \right)^2 \right]^{3/2}}. \quad (\text{continuous}) \quad (2)$$

$$\tilde{\kappa} = \frac{\delta\chi_i \delta^2 \nu_i - \delta\nu_i \delta^2 \chi_i}{(\delta\chi_i^2 + \delta\nu_i^2)^{3/2}}. \quad (\text{discrete}) \quad (3)$$

CURVATURE FOR A SINGLE SÉRSIC LAW

$$\nu(R) = 1 - \left(\frac{R}{2R_p} \right)^{1/n}, \quad \tilde{\kappa}(R) = \frac{\frac{n-1}{n^2} \left(\frac{R}{2R_p} \right)^{\frac{1-2n}{n}}}{\left[1 + \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\frac{R}{2R_p} \right)^{\frac{2-2n}{n}} \right]^{3/2}}. \quad (4)$$



- adaptive Gaussian filter:

$$G(R) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(R-R_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad (5)$$

with σ -variable given by

$$\sigma = (\sigma_{\max} - \sigma_{\min}) \frac{R}{2R_p} + \sigma_{\min}; \quad (6)$$

- generally $\sigma_{\min} \lesssim 2$ and $\sigma_{\max} \sim 0.1 \times (2R_p)$.

EXAMPLE

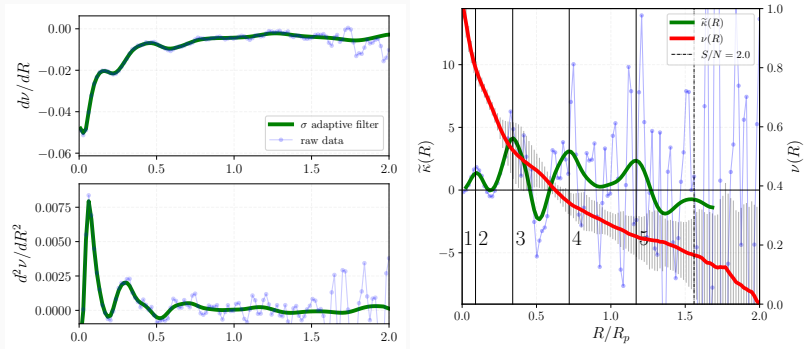


FIGURE 4: Example for galaxy NGC 1211 (r -band) from EFIGI sample.

REFERENCE EXAMPLE: NGC 1211 – (R)SB(r)O/A

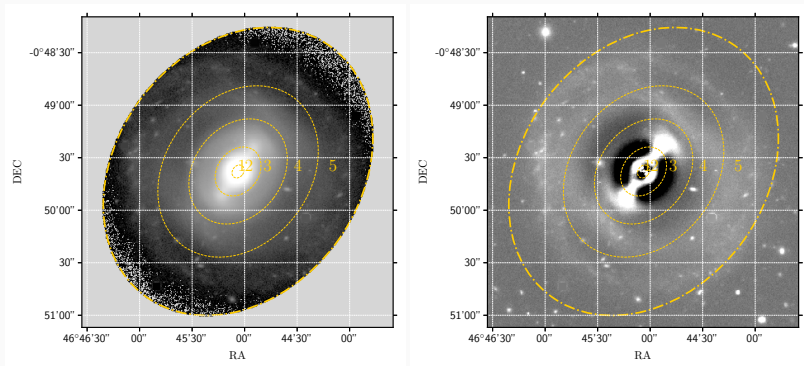


FIGURE 5: Ellipses gathered by the peaks in the curvature.

Some results until now...

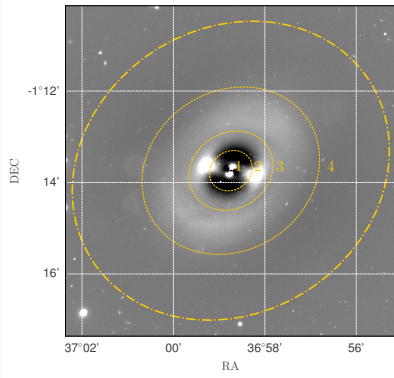
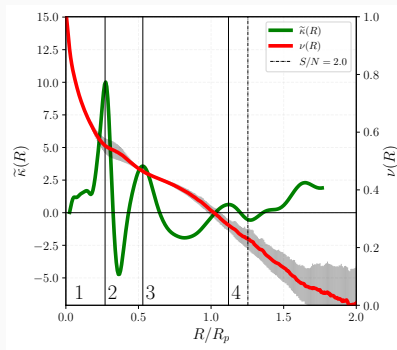


FIGURE 6: NGC 936

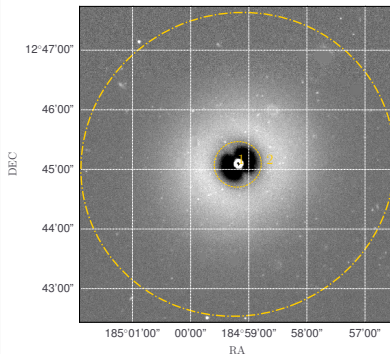
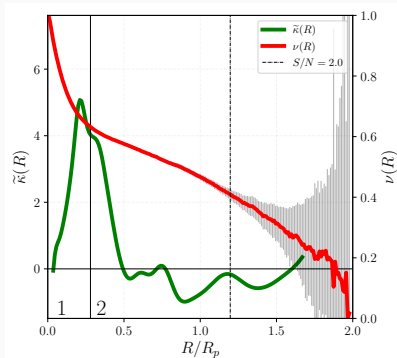


FIGURE 7: NGC 4267

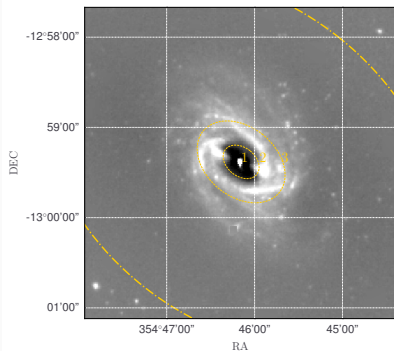
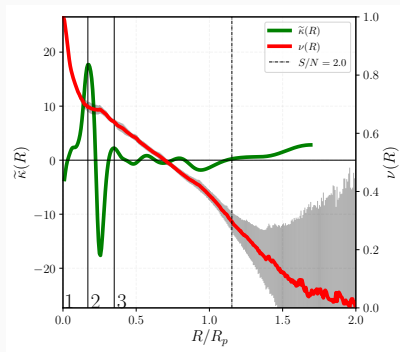


FIGURE 8: NGC 7723

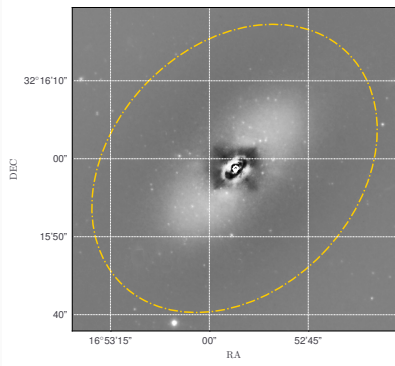
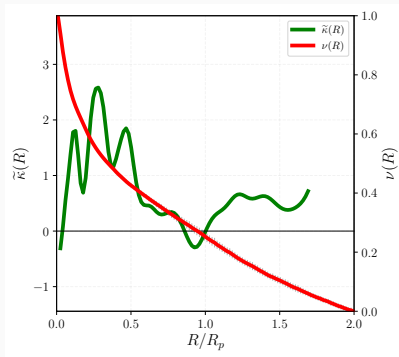


FIGURE 9: NGC 384

CURVATURE AREA VS. CONCENTRATION INDEX

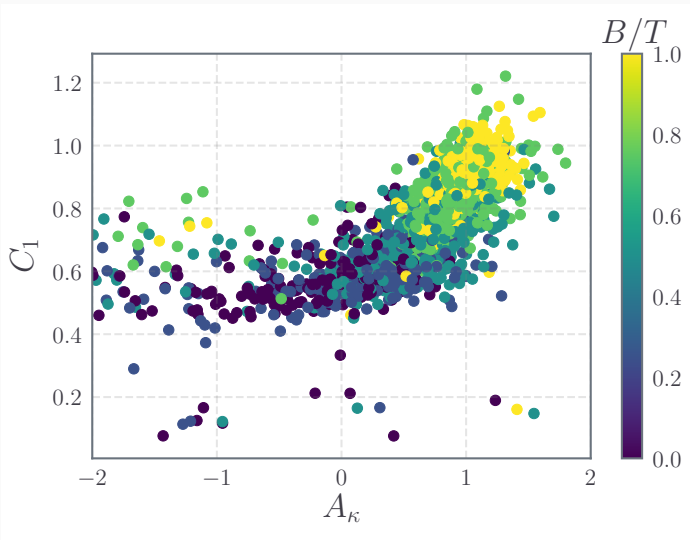


FIGURE 10: Data from EFIGI (Baillard et al., 2011).

CURVATURE AREA VS. INFORMATION ENTROPY

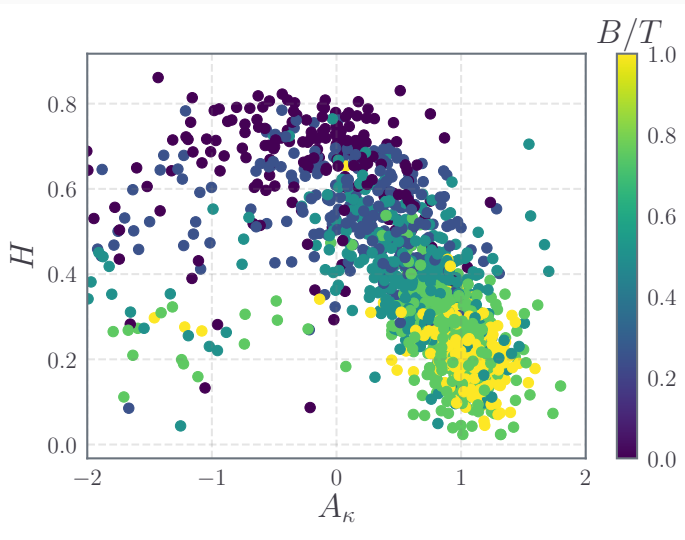


FIGURE II: Data from EFIGI (Baillard et al., 2011).

Conclusions and next steps

- rings and bars have negative curvature/ or are related to high gradient valleys between two local peaks;
- spiral arms makes $\tilde{\kappa}$ to oscillate with constant amplitude;
- small values of $\tilde{\kappa}$ in the innermost regions might indicate pseudo bulges;
- in the majority of cases, local peaks in $\tilde{\kappa}$ are associated to transition regions.

- improve the calculation of curvature:
 - optimize σ_{\min} and σ_{\max} : include an explicit dependence on the S/N values;
 - implement an algorithm that detects the local peaks and validate them if they are physically connected to transition regions;
 - furthermore, differentiate valleys associated to bars and rings, if possible;
 - use two-dimensional curvature for further analysis;
- work with a large data set;

- the concentration index C can lead to misclassification of spiral galaxies (in general, multicomponent galaxies);
- high Sérsic indexes may be related to multicomponent galaxies: smooth secondary components can increase significantly the fitted Sérsic index and leads to misinterpretations;

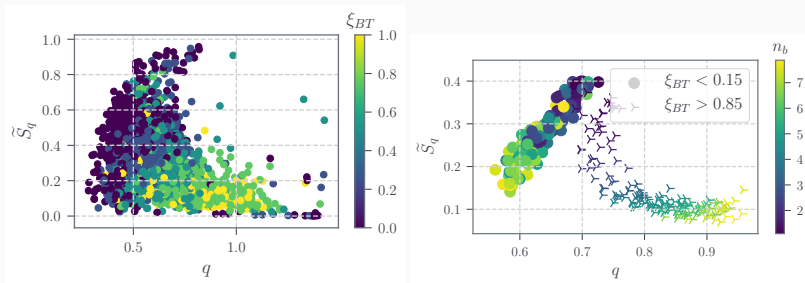


FIGURE 12: Tsallis entropy S_q .

Questions?

Gracie!

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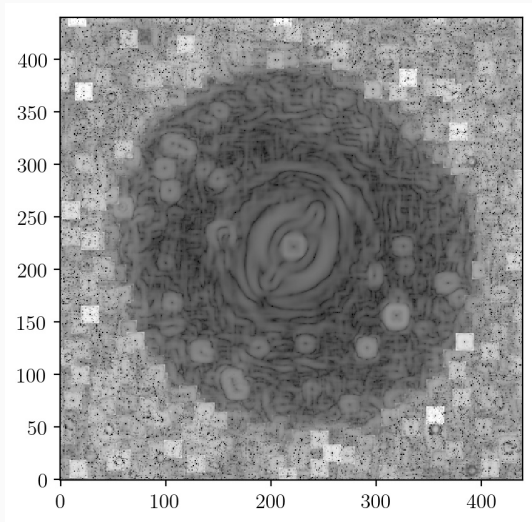


FIGURE 13: $\tilde{\kappa}$ 2D for NGC 1211-r.

