

THE SINS/ZC-SINF SURVEY OF $z \sim 2$ GALAXY KINEMATICS: OUTFLOW PROPERTIES*

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ABSTRACT

Based on SINFONI H α , [NII] and [SII] AO data of 30 $z \sim 2$ star-forming galaxies (SFGs) from the SINS and zcSINF surveys, we find a strong correlation of the H α broad flux fraction with the star formation surface density of the galaxy, with an apparent threshold for strong outflows occurring at $1 \text{ M}_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ kpc}^{-2}$. Above this threshold, we find that SFGs with $\log m_{*} > 10$ have similar or perhaps greater wind mass loading factors ($\eta = \dot{M}_{\text{out}}/\text{SFR}$) and faster outflow velocities than lower mass SFGs. This trend suggests that the majority of outflowing gas at $z \sim 2$ may derive from high-mass SFGs, and that the $z \sim 2$ mass-metallicity relation is driven more by dilution of enriched gas in the galaxy gas reservoir than by the efficiency of outflows. The mass loading factor is also correlated with the SFR and inclination, such that more star-forming and face-on galaxies launch more powerful outflows. For galaxies that have evidence for strong outflows, we find that the broad emission is spatially extended to at least the half-light radius (\sim a few kpc). We propose that the observed threshold for strong outflows and the observed mass loading of these winds can be explained by a simple model wherein break-out of winds is governed by pressure balance in the disk. Using the ratio of the [SII] doublet in a broad and narrow component, we find that outflowing gas has a density of $\sim 10\text{--}100 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, significantly less than that of the star forming gas (600 cm^{-3}).

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1. INTRODUCTION

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Most high- z SFGs show evidence for powerful galactic outflows, as indicated by UV absorption spectroscopy (Pettini et al. 2000; Shapley et al. 2003; Steidel et al. 2010; Weiner et al. 2009; Kornei et al. 2012) and broad H α emission-line profiles (Shapiro et al. 2009; Genzel et al. 2011; Newman et al. 2012). This ‘star formation feedback’ may be an essential ingredient in the evolution of high- z star forming galaxies. However, little is yet known about what drives these outflows.

In this letter we analyze the outflow properties in 30 $z \sim 2$ SFGs, discussed in more detail in Förster-Schreiber et al. (2012) and based on new high-quality H α emission line SINFONI/VLT integral field (IFU) spectroscopy with adaptive optics (AO) (Eisenhauer et al. 2003; Bonnet et al. 2004). We adopt a Λ CDM cosmology with $\Omega_m = 0.27$, $\Omega_b = 0.046$ and $H_0 = 70 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$ (Komatsu et al. 2011), and a Chabrier (2003) initial stellar mass function (IMF).

2. OBSERVATIONS, DATA REDUCTION AND ANALYSIS TECHNIQUES

The galaxy sample discussed here is described in Mancini et al. (2011); Förster-Schreiber et al. (2012). Our 30 $z \sim 2\text{--}2.5$ SFGs are drawn from the SINS and zcSINF surveys of H α + [NII] integral field spectroscopy with SINFONI on the ESO VLT (Förster Schreiber et al. 2009; Mancini et al. 2011; Förster-Schreiber et al. 2012). They sample the $z \sim 2.2$ star-forming ‘main sequence’ for stellar masses between $10^{9.5}$ to $10^{11.5} \text{ M}_{\odot}$. Our sample includes 27 galaxies observed with AO-mode with sufficient SNR for analysis (0.05” pixels, typical FWHM

0.2–0.25”) in addition to 3 galaxies observed in seeing limited mode that have very extended disks and thus are well resolved with 0.125” pixels and FWHM \sim 0.5”. The data are of high quality (\sim 6h average integration time per galaxy, with a range from 2 to 22h, and a total integration time for the entire sample of 180h) and were reduced with our standard data reduction methods and analysis tools (Schreiber et al. 2004; Davies 2007; Förster Schreiber et al. 2009; Mancini et al. 2011).

Stellar masses and ages are derived from SED modeling in Förster Schreiber et al. (2009); Mancini et al. (2011) assuming constant or exponentially declining star formation histories with Bruzual & Charlot (2003) tracks. The SFRs are derived from the SED modeling and from H α (SFR=L_{H α} /2.1 \times 10⁴¹ erg/s, Kennicutt (1998), corrected for a Chabrier (2003) IMF) with a Calzetti et al. (2000) reddening law with $A_{V,gas} = 2.3 \times A_{V,SED}$. Half light radii ($R_{1/2}$) were computed from the cumulative flux profile determined after fitting a 2D exponential (Sersic $n = 1$) to the data. We calculate molecular gas masses (M_{gas}) and surface densities ($\Sigma_{gas} = 0.5 \times M_{gas} / (\pi R_{1/2}^2)$) from the H α -derived SFRs using the molecular gas to star formation surface density relation with $M_{gas}(M_{\odot}) = 5.8 \times 10^8 \times \text{SFR}(M_{\odot}\text{yr}^{-1})$ (Tacconi et al. 2012).

To isolate the broad emission for coadding, we remove large-scale rotational velocity gradients from the data cubes and create spatially-integrated spectra (see: Förster Schreiber et al. 2009; Shapiro et al. 2009). Various stacks of spectra are generated by removing a fitted continuum from each spectrum, placing the spectra on a common rest-frame wavelength axis, weighting each spectrum by the signal to noise ratio (SNR) of H α , and coadding the final spectra.

Broad emission has previously been detected in SINS/zC-SINF galaxies by Shapiro et al. (2009); Genzel et al. (2011); Newman et al. (2012) and attributed to galactic outflows. We quantify the fraction of the emission line flux in this underlying broad component by simultaneously fitting two Gaussian functions to each of the H α , [NII] $\lambda\lambda$ 6548,6584 and [SII] $\lambda\lambda$ 6716,6731 emission lines, setting the kinematics (velocity, line width) of all of the narrow Gaussian components to be equal, and likewise with the broad components. The broad flux fraction is the ratio of the total flux in the broad emission line components (one for each emission line) to the total flux in all of the narrow emission line components.

We also generate position-velocity (pv) data by extracting the spectra along the major galaxy axis for each shifted cube with a slit wide enough to cover most of the minor axis emission. The data are then co-added and re-sampled onto a normalized spatial scale of $0.07 \times R_{1/2}$ (FWHM $\sim 0.3 \times R_{1/2}$) and spectral scale of 40 km/s/pixel (~ 90 km/s FWHM).

3. OUTFLOW PROPERTIES IN $z \sim 2$ SFGs

We ascertain that the outflows are driven by the star formation activity and not by an AGN as we have excluded any known AGN from our sample, find that the broad emission is extended and not concentrated towards the kinematic or morphological center (see section 3.1), and measure [NII]/H α ratios compatible with the expected metallicity based on the $z \sim 2$ mass-metallicity

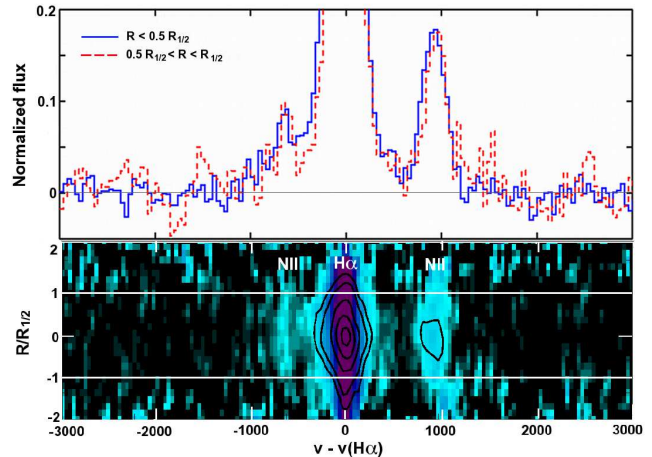


FIG. 1.— Co-added (pv) diagram for the 10 sources with the best evidence for broad emission, with the vertical (spatial) axis normalized to $R_{1/2}$ (lower panel) and spectra from the inner ($R < 0.5 \times R_{1/2}$, blue, solid line) and outer ($0.5 \times R_{1/2} < R < R_{1/2}$, red, dashed line) regions of the galaxies (upper panel). The black contours show the unnormalized stack, while the colors have been normalized according to the peak H α flux for each spatial row. The broad emission in light blue (>200 – 300 km/s from the systemic velocity) is spatially extended (vertical axis) out to at least $R_{1/2}$. The inner and outer region spectra have $F_{broad}/F_{narrow} = 1.21 \pm 0.039$ and 0.89 ± 0.049 , respectively.

relation (Erb et al. 2006) and too low to be consistent with the presence of an AGN. In several cases we trace the origin of the outflows to individual giant star forming clumps embedded in the disk (Genzel et al. 2011; Newman et al. 2012).

3.1. Outflows are Spatially Extended

The broad emission (FWHM ~ 500 km/s) is spatially extended over the half-light radii ($R_{1/2}$), which corresponds to a few kpc in the small galaxies and up to 6 kpc in the larger disks. This is demonstrated in the bottom panel of Figure 1, where we show a co-added pv diagram of the line emission (large-scale velocity gradients removed) along the morphological major axis for the galaxies. Broad emission is detected at least out to $R_{1/2}$, and its width between $0.5 \times R_{1/2}$ and $R_{1/2}$ (FWHM = 550 km/s) is nearly as broad as within $0.5 \times R_{1/2}$ (FWHM = 610 km/s). The upper panel of Figure 1 shows that the emission in the outer regions of the galaxies is almost as broad as in the inner regions, and implies a constant or decreasing mass-loading with increasing galacto-centric radius.

3.2. The Broad Flux Fraction is Strongly Dependent on the SF Surface Density

We explore the dependence of the broad flux fraction on galaxy properties by dividing the entire sample into two bins each (low/high) in star formation rate, stellar mass, size, inclination and star formation surface density. We then co-added the spectra in each of the bins and computed the ratio of the broad to narrow H α + nebular emission. The results are summarized in Table 1.

The star formation surface density has the largest effect on the broad flux fraction, such that galaxies with $\Sigma_{SFR} > 1 M_{\odot}\text{yr}^{-1}\text{kpc}^{-2}$ drive the strongest outflows. This result is consistent with what was observed

TABLE 1
 BROAD FLUX FRACTION FOR HIGH AND LOW BINS OF DIFFERENT GALAXY PROPERTIES

Property	F_{broad}/F_{narrow}		FWHM _{broad} (km/s)		$\Delta v_{broad-narrow}$ (km/s)		Significance of difference	Dividing value
	High bin	Low bin	High bin	Low bin	High bin	Low bin		
SFR	0.65 ± 0.074	0.47 ± 0.042	510	423	-23	-23	2σ	$100 M_{\odot}/yr$
$R_{1/2}$	0.50 ± 0.054	0.76 ± 0.082	503	435	-15	-35	3σ	3 kpc
Σ_{SFR}	0.77 ± 0.027	0.16 ± 0.030	498	423	-25	-43	20σ	$1 M_{\odot} yr^{-1} kpc^{-2}$
inclination	0.47 ± 0.055	0.77 ± 0.091	510	515	-39	-32	3σ	$49-55^{\circ}$
m_*¹	0.63 ± 0.056	0.41 ± 0.042	524	423	-29	-25	4σ	$1 \times 10^{10} M_{\odot}$
m_*²	0.23 ± 0.21	0.12 ± 0.040	423	423	-28	-48	0.5σ	"
m_*³	0.85 ± 0.097	0.68 ± 0.10	522	435	-25	-14	1.5σ	"

The high/low bins for SFR, m_* , Σ_{SFR} , $R_{1/2}$, and inclination are divided above and below the value(s) shown in column 9 and have roughly an equal number of galaxies in each bin. The spectrum from each stack was fit constraining the narrow FWHM to between 190 and 210 km/s, so that the broad component was not fit as a very broad narrow component, and allowing the relative velocities of the two components and the broad line width (FWHM) to vary. The best fit broad FWHM and the relative velocities for each bin are shown in columns 4–7. For the m_* bins, (1) is for all galaxies, (2) is for galaxies with $\Sigma_{SFR} < 1 M_{\odot} yr^{-1} kpc^{-2}$, and (3) is for galaxies with $\Sigma_{SFR} > 1 M_{\odot} yr^{-1} kpc^{-2}$.

in $z \sim 0$ SFGs by Chen et al. (2010), where they found a strong correlation of Na D absorption equivalent width (from SDSS data of $\sim 100,000$ galaxies) with Σ_{SFR} .

In Figure 2, we see the dependence of the broad H α flux fraction on Σ_{SFR} from 5 Σ_{SFR} -binned points as well as three massive star-forming clumps. The trend seen in Figure 2 can be well described as a ‘threshold’ for outflows. All of the data points with $\Sigma_{SFR} > 1 M_{\odot} yr^{-1} kpc^{-2}$ have $F_{broad}/F_{narrow} > 0.7$, while all those below this threshold have $F_{broad}/F_{narrow} \leq 0.25$.

The broad flux fraction also varies (to a lesser extent) with m_* , SFR, $R_{1/2}$ and inclination such that stronger outflows are observed for massive, high SFR, compact, face-on galaxies. We further explore the m_* trend by dividing each of the high and low Σ_{SFR} bins into high and low m_* bins. Unsurprisingly, we find that both of the m_* bins below this threshold show negligible evidence for broad emission, and both high Σ_{SFR} bins show strong outflows. Above the Σ_{SFR} threshold, the broad flux fraction is similar or perhaps somewhat larger in the high m_* bin. The FWHM of the broad line is larger for the high m_* bin (522 km/s vs. 435 km/s) and more blueshifted (-25 km/s vs. -14 km/s). This increase is smaller than a ‘virial’ scaling, $v_{out} \leq v_{esc} \sim v_c \sim m_*^{0.33}$ (Murray et al. 2005; Martin 2005), which would imply a factor of ~ 1.8 in v_{out} between the two mass bins ($\log m_* = 9.85$ and 10.61).

The SFR trend is linked to that of m_* , due to the strong correlation of m_* and SFR for ‘main-sequence’ SFGs at all redshifts. The $R_{1/2}$ trend is likely due to the higher Σ_{SFR} values for the more compact galaxies. The trend with inclination supports a bipolar outflow emerging perpendicularly from the plane of the star-forming disk, consistent with the results of Kornei et al. (2012, at $z \sim 1$), Chen et al. (2010, at $z \sim 0$), Bouché et al. (2012) and Bordoloi et al. (2011) (but see Law et al. (2012)).

3.3. Local Electron Density of the Outflow

We estimate the ratio of the [SII] doublet in the broad and narrow components for a stack of the galaxy spectra, in order to constrain the star-forming gas and wind densities. The 14 galaxies used in this stack are selected such that they do not have strong OH sky features close to the location of the [SII] lines and have noticeable broad H α components.

For the narrow component, we find $F([\text{SII}]\lambda 6716)/F([\text{SII}]\lambda 6731) = 0.99 \pm 0.27$, and for

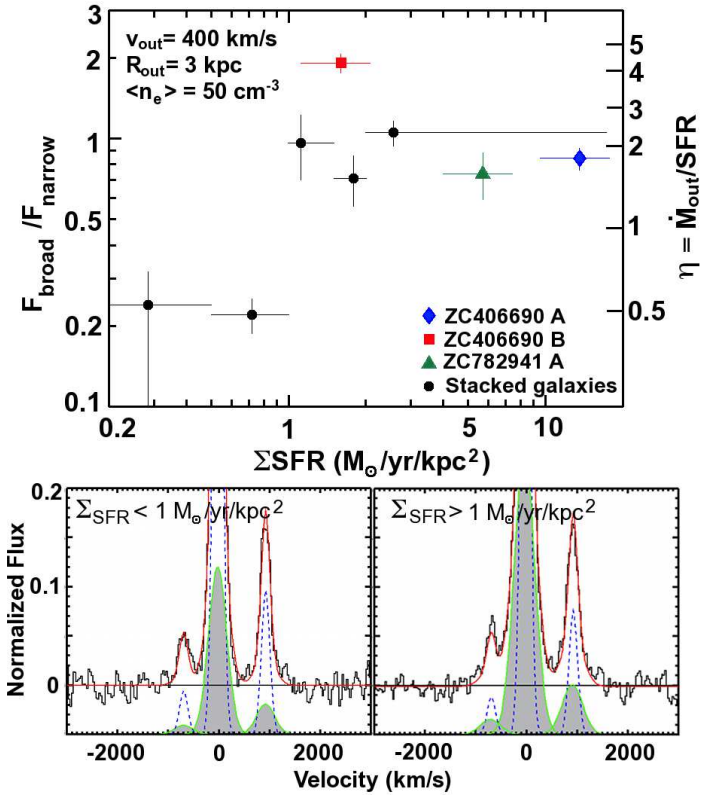


FIG. 2.— Dependence of the broad to narrow H α flux ratio on Σ_{SFR} . Above: Stacks in 5 star formation surface density bins with 5–8 galaxies each. The right vertical axis shows the corresponding mass loading with the model explained in the text and wind parameters listed in the figure. The black points are the stacked galaxies and the colored symbols are individual star-forming clumps. The horizontal error bars for the binned points represent the range in Σ_{SFR} for the galaxies in each bin. The vertical error bars represent the range in F_{broad}/F_{narrow} values achieved by varying the stacks (for the binned points) and the measurement error (for the clumps). Below: Co-added H α + [NII] spectra of low and high Σ_{SFR} bins with the data in black, the best fit shown in red, the narrow components shown in blue, and the broad components shown in green with grey shading.

the broad component, we find that the ratio = 1.43 ± 0.40 , corresponding to electron densities of 600 (+1000/-450) and 10 (+590/-10) cm^{-3} , respectively (Osterbrock 1989). Although our estimate is uncertain, the inferred local gas density in the outflow is plausibly more than

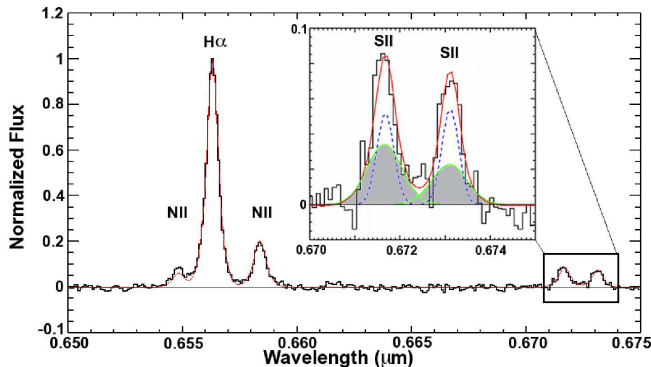


FIG. 3.— Co-added spectrum of 14 SFGs with [SII] detections that are free of OH contamination. The black line is the data, the red line is the best fit, and the green lines with grey shading (with FWHM = 407 km/s) and blue dashed lines (with FWHM = 197 km/s) (seen in the inset) are the broad and narrow Gaussian fits, respectively. We follow the fitting method described in the text, except here we allow the amplitudes of the broad and narrow components in all nebular lines to vary.

an order of magnitude less than the density of the star-forming regions (traced by the narrow component), consistent with a diffuse outflow. Assuming the wind density scaling law presented in Cecil et al. (2001) from observations of M82 ($n_e = 5.7 \times f^{-1/2}$, where f is the dense gas filling factor of the wind), our wind density implies a filling factor of 50%. As this filling factor is perhaps too high, our wind density is likely a lower limit, owing to the low SNR of the [SII] lines. Cecil et al. (2001) also find a minimum filling factor of 0.3%, implying a wind density of 100 cm^{-3} . Thus we take an average of these lower and upper limits, resulting in a wind density of 50 cm^{-3} . Figure 3 shows the co-added spectrum along with the best fit.

3.4. Mass-loading of High- z Galactic Outflows

We assume the simplified outflow model of Genzel et al. (2011) and Newman et al. (2012) for a warm ionized outflow with a radially constant outflow velocity and mass loss rate, to convert the $F_{\text{broad}}/F_{\text{narrow}}$ ratio in Figure 2 into a mass-loading factor $\eta \equiv \dot{M}_{\text{out}}/\text{SFR}$,

$$\dot{M}_{\text{out}} = M_w \times \frac{v_{\text{out}}}{R_{\text{out}}} = \frac{1.36 m_H}{\gamma_{H\alpha} n_e} \left(L_{H\alpha} \times \frac{F_{\text{broad}}}{F_{\text{total}}} \right) \frac{v_{\text{out}}}{R_{\text{out}}} \quad (1)$$

where \dot{M}_{out} is the mass outflow rate, M_w is the instantaneous mass in the outflow, v_{out} is the average velocity of the outflow, R_{out} is the radial extent, m_H is the atomic mass, $\gamma_{H\alpha}$ is the $H\alpha$ emissivity at $T_e = 10^4 \text{ K}$ ($\gamma_{H\alpha} = 3.56 \times 10^{-25} \text{ erg cm}^{-3} \text{ s}^{-1}$), n_e is the local electron density in the outflow, $L_{H\alpha}$ is the total extinction-corrected $H\alpha$ luminosity, and $F_{\text{broad}}/F_{\text{total}}$ is the fraction of the total flux in the broad component. We assume $v_{\text{out}} = 400 \text{ km/s}$ (see section 4) and $R_{\text{out}} = 3 \text{ kpc}$. The latter is based on the spatial offset of outflowing gas from a massive star-forming clump described in Newman et al. (2012), and from the finding in section 3.1 that the broad emission is extended to several kpc from the galaxy center. The emission line based estimate is independent of the collimation of the outflow. We adopt $n_e = 50 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

as the average *local* electron density, derived in the previous section.

The inferred mass loading factors corresponding to the broad flux fraction are shown on the right-most y-axis in Figure 2. The mass-loading factors for galaxies below the Σ_{SFR} threshold are ~ 0.5 and above the threshold are ~ 2 , albeit with an overall absolute uncertainty of at least a factor of 3. Despite the uncertainties, a mass loading factor of 2 is consistent with observations of both local starbursts (Heckman et al. 1990; Veilleux et al. 2005; Chen et al. 2010) and high- z SFGs (Pettini et al. 2000; Weiner et al. 2009; Steidel et al. 2010; Genzel et al. 2011; Bouché et al. 2012), as well as theoretical predictions (Murray et al. 2005; Davé et al. 2011; Hopkins et al. 2012).

4. WHY DO THE OUTFLOWS DEPEND SO STRONGLY ON Σ_{SFR} ?

We propose that the strong dependence of η on Σ_{SFR} discussed in section 3.4 is mainly caused by the threshold that governs when star formation feedback can break out of the dense gas layer in the disk.

Following Murray et al. (2005) and Ostriker & Shetty (2011), in a baryon dominated galactic disk in pressure equilibrium, the weight of the disk balances the pressure generated from star-formation feedback in the form of supernovae, stellar winds, HII regions, cosmic rays and radiation from the star-forming layer. If that pressure exceeds the weight of the disk, then a momentum-driven outflow is launched perpendicular to the galactic plane, with a threshold $\Sigma_{\text{SFR}} (M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ kpc}^{-2})$ of,

$$\Sigma_{\text{SFR},th} = \frac{\pi G f_g}{2(P_{\text{tot}}/m_*)} \Sigma_d^2 = 0.9 \times \frac{f_{g,0.5} \times \Sigma_{d,500}^2}{(P_{\text{tot}}/m_*)_{1000}} \quad (2)$$

where G is the gravitational constant, (P_{tot}/m_*) is the characteristic total momentum injection per mass, Σ_d is the disk surface density, and f_g is the gas fraction, with fiducial values of 1000 km/s, $500 M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}$ and 0.5, respectively (Erb et al. 2006; Tacconi et al. 2010; Daddi et al. 2010; Ostriker & Shetty 2011; Förster Schreiber et al. 2009). This is similar to the Eddington limit of momentum driven winds (Murray et al. 2005), which gives $\Sigma_{\text{SFR},threshold} \propto v_c^4 R^{-2}$, where v_c is the circular velocity.

The wind has a total momentum outflow rate,

$$\dot{M}_w v_{\infty} \leq \left(\frac{P_{\text{tot}}}{m_*} \right) \text{SFR} \quad (3)$$

where v_{∞} is the outflow velocity at large distances from the mid-plane, implying a mass-loading factor,

$$\eta = \frac{\dot{M}_w}{\text{SFR}} \leq \frac{(P_{\text{tot}}/m_*)}{v_{\infty}} = 2.5 \times \frac{(P_{\text{tot}}/m_*)_{1000}}{v_{\infty,400}} \quad (4)$$

with $v_{\infty,400}$ in units of 400 km/s. This velocity is motivated by the observed line widths of broad emission-line components in both low- z and high- z SFGs (Pettini et al. 2000; Martin 2005; Veilleux et al. 2005; Weiner et al. 2009; Steidel et al. 2010; Genzel et al. 2011) as well as from this work. The adopted value of the characteristic momentum injection is based on work by Murray et al.

(2005); Veilleux et al. (2005); Ostriker & Shetty (2011) wherein the direct momentum injection contributions of supernovae, stellar winds, HII regions and radiation pressure are all roughly comparable, with $(P/m_*) \sim 200\text{--}300$ km/s, giving a total (P/m_*) of 1000 km/s.

This simple model predicts that for constant η the ability of an outflow to break out of the disk strongly depends on the star formation surface density, and this threshold value scales linearly with gas fraction and as the square of the disk surface density. Second, the mass loading of galactic winds above breakout and the threshold star formation surface density for breakout both depend on (P_{tot}/m_*) . Thus, if one of these quantities can be determined for a galaxy of known properties, then the other can be predicted. The model also predicts that it is harder to launch a wind from a more massive galaxy (with larger v_c^4/R^2). This final prediction is also acquired by writing the threshold in terms of m_* by assuming (1) the $R_{1/2}\text{--}m_*$ relation of Ichikawa et al. (2012) ($R_{1/2} \sim m_*^{0.14}$), (2) the SFR- m_* relation for normal SFGs ($\text{SFR} = m_*^{0.7} \times ((1+z)/3.2)^{2.6}$) and (3) a constant gas depletion timescale ($t_{depl} = M_g/\text{SFR} \sim 5.8 \times 10^8$ yr, Tacconi et al. (2012)). This gives an m_* threshold of $\sim \text{few} \times 10^{10} M_\odot$, such that it is easier for outflows to ‘break-out’ from galaxies below this threshold.

The first two predictions are met by the available data. For $z \sim 0$ normal SFGs with $f_g \sim 0.07$ and $\Sigma_d \sim 500 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}$, Equation 4 suggests a critical break-out star formation surface density of $\sim 0.1 M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1} \text{kpc}^{-2}$. And indeed, winds are only detected in compact star forming dwarfs and/or starbursts above $\sim 0.1 M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1} \text{kpc}^{-2}$ (Heckman et al. 1990; Veilleux et al. 2005; Chen et al. 2010), see also Murray et al. (2011). Mass loading factors for galaxies above this threshold are estimated to be around 1.

For the typical high- z SFGs presented in this paper ($f_g \sim 0.5$, $\Sigma_d \sim 500\text{--}1000 M_\odot \text{pc}^{-2}$), Equation 2 suggests a breakout star formation surface density near or slightly above $1 M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1} \text{kpc}^{-2}$, in remarkable agreement with our findings in section 3.2 and Figure 2. Above this threshold, Equation 4 predicts a mass loading of ~ 2.5 , again in good agreement with our observations.

A positive correlation of η with Σ_{SFR} (which was also observed by Chen et al. (2010)) is possible evidence against the scenario in which winds are launched by the energy of hot supernovae bubbles, as in this case the shorter cooling time of the dense gas suggests $\eta \propto \Sigma_{SFR}^{-1/2}$ (Hopkins et al. 2012), and could support the momentum-driven wind model.

However, the third prediction of the simple model (massive galaxies are less efficient at driving winds) does

not appear to be met by our data. For the SFGs in the ‘wind regime’ ($\Sigma_{SFR} > 1 M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1} \text{kpc}^{-2}$) we do not see any significant variation of F_{broad}/F_{narrow} as a function of v_c , which is expected theoretically for momentum driven winds ($\eta \propto v_c^{-1}$, Murray et al. 2005; Oppenheimer & Davé 2006, 2008; Hopkins et al. 2012).

This finding as well as the approximate m_* independence of the observed F_{broad}/F_{narrow} ratio surprisingly suggest that massive SFGs have mass loading factors that are similar to or higher than those of low mass SFGs. If so, the volume averaged outflow rate and metal enrichment of the circum-galactic/inter-galactic medium at $z \sim 2$ may be dominated by massive galaxies just around the Schechter mass ($\log M_* \sim 10.65$). Indeed, with a slope α of the main-sequence of SFGs ($\text{SFR} \propto m_*^\alpha$) ~ 0.7 or higher, the SFR (and thus the outflow rate, with constant η) increases faster with m_* than the volume density of SFGs decreases ($\Phi(m_*) \sim m_*^{-0.5}$, Peng et al. (2010)). We note that a massive galaxy dominance in the metal enrichment of the intracluster medium (ICM) is demanded by the fact that in clusters $\sim 2/3$ of the metal mass is contained in the ICM whereas only $\sim 1/3$ is still locked into stars and galaxies (Renzini 1997).

Further, the $z \sim 2$ m_* dependence of the mass-metallicity relation ($Z \sim m_*^{0.3}$) may be primarily driven by the larger (diluting) gas fractions in low m_* SFGs, besides these galaxies driving winds more effectively ($M_g/m_* = t_{depl} \times \text{SFR}/m_* \sim m_*^{-0.3}$), see also Erb et al. (2006). In addition, if high- m_* galaxies are indeed ejecting this much mass, we may have uncovered a mechanism contributing to the quenching of star formation near the Schechter mass (Peng et al. 2010). Using simple scaling arguments and the median SFRs and gas masses for the high and low m_* bins, we find that in an open box model (with the mass accretion rate = $2 \times \text{SFR}$ and where half of the mass formed in stars is returned back to the ISM), high- m_* galaxies will run out of gas in 750 Myr, whereas low- m_* galaxies will not run out of gas for 3.3 Gyr.

From equation 4, we would assume that if η is constant for both m_* bins, but the outflow velocity is greater for the high- m_* galaxies, then (P_{tot}/m_*) would have to be larger for these galaxies as well. Perhaps this is due to the higher metallicity of the high- m_* galaxies, which would increase the dust content, potentially raising the radiation pressure contribution to (P_{tot}/m_*) .

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