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ABSTRACT

Feedback from active galactic nuclei (AGN) has proven to be a critical ingredient in the current picture of galaxy assembly and growth. However, observational constraints on AGN-driven outflows face technical challenges and as a result, the cold molecular gas outflow properties of type-1 AGN are not well known. We present new IRAM Northern Extended Millimeter Array observations of CO (1–0) in F07599+6508, Z11598 – 0112, F13342 + 3932, and PG1440 + 356, all nearby type-1 AGN and ultraluminous infrared galaxies. We achieve spatial resolution of 1–3 arcsec corresponding to physical scales of 2–8 kpc and spectral resolution of 15–60 km s⁻¹, which enables updated CO (1–0) redshifts and a detailed morphological view of the cold molecular gas in these sources. The CO (1–0) luminosities, L'_{CO} , are in the range 2–12 × 10⁹ K km s⁻¹ pc² and inferred molecular gas masses, $M(H_2)$, are in the range 2–9 × 10⁹ M_⊙. The velocity fields and gas distributions do not unambiguously identify any of these sources as having outflows. However, Z11598 – 0112 has signs of infalling material and after the subtraction of a rotating disc model PG 1440 + 356 shows complex kinematics in the residuals that may indicate an outflow or warped disc.

Key words: ISM: jets and outflows – galaxies: active – quasars: individual: F07599 + 6508: Z11598 – 0112: F13342 + 3932: PG1440 + 356 .

1 INTRODUCTION

Gas outflows driven by active galactic nuclei (AGN) and stellar processes can be an important mode for transporting energy in galaxies (e.g. Veilleux, Cecil & Bland-Hawthorn 2005; Harrison et al. 2018). Large-scale AGN-driven outflows are a manifestation of quasar-mode feedback, which is invoked in semi-analytic models and simulations (Silk & Rees 1998; King 2003; Di Matteo, Springel & Hernquist 2005) to solve problems with massive galaxy cooling and star formation quenching in a cosmological context (e.g. see Somerville et al. 2008; Zubovas & King 2012). However, the degree to which AGN actually drive large-scale outflows (e.g. Karouzos, Woo & Bae 2016; Villar-Martín et al. 2016; Fischer et al. 2017, 2018), their relative importance compared to stellar processes (Wylezalek & Morganti 2018), and especially their impact on star formation in the host galaxy (e.g. Scholtz et al. 2020) remain unclear.

The observational detection of AGN-driven outflows is challenging due primarily to difficulty of spatially resolving the outflow (e.g. Rupke, Gültekin & Veilleux 2017), the difficulty in separating it from the central point source and host galaxy (Lutz et al. 2020), and the ambiguity of identifying its physical driver and impact on the host (Scholtz et al. 2020). Nearby type-2 AGN have proven to be excellent laboratories for investigating outflows because of the achievable spatial resolution and improved contrast to the central

engine (Rupke & Veilleux 2013a; Harrison et al. 2014; McElroy et al. 2015; Kang & Woo 2018; Leung et al. 2019). The outflows in type-1 AGN are less well studied, due to the challenge of observing them in the presence of a bright point source (see Rupke et al. 2017). Since some type-1 AGN may differ from type-2 by more than just orientation (Alexander & Hickox 2012; DiPompeo et al. 2014, 2015, 2018), both are important. Relatively recent efforts show that outflows in type-1 AGN are common; they have been observed in ionized (Westmoquette et al. 2012; Arribas et al. 2014; Harrison et al. 2014; Rupke et al. 2017; Noterdaeme et al. 2021), neutral (Morganti, Tadhunter & Oosterloo 2005; Rupke, Veilleux & Sanders 2005; Cazzoli et al. 2016; Morganti et al. 2016; Rupke et al. 2017), and molecular (Feruglio et al. 2010; Rupke & Veilleux 2013b; Cicone et al. 2014; Carniani et al. 2015; García-Burillo et al. 2015; Fiore et al. 2017; Noterdaeme et al. 2021) gas phases.

The practice of observing outflows in all gas phases (which is also applied to type-2 sources) is especially critical to constrain the global outflow properties and thus their true impact (Cicone et al. 2018). The molecular gas phase is a constituent of the cold interstellar medium (ISM) in galaxies, which directly fuels star formation and holds a large fraction of the mass outflow rate in AGN (Fluetsch et al. 2020). Molecular outflows (for a review, see Veilleux et al. 2020) have been identified in a number of individual objects (e.g. Feruglio et al. 2010; Fischer et al. 2010; Nesvadba et al. 2010; Alatalo et al. 2011; Dasyra & Combes 2012; Combes et al. 2013; Pereira-Santaella et al. 2016; Salak et al. 2016; Alonso-Herrero et al. 2019; Slater et al. 2019), typically via P-Cygni profiles, interferometric observations,

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Table 1. Description of observations.

Object	RA (J2000)	Dec. (J2000)	Redshift	Obs. date	Config.	N_{ant} (7)	Corr. (8)	ν_{obs} (GHz)	t_{OS} (h)	Min, max baseline (m)	Prim. beam (arcsec)	Synt. beam (arcsec)	Beam PA (deg)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
F07599 + 6508	08 ^h 04 ^m 30 ^s .46	+64° 59′ 52″.88	0.1483	01–03/16	A + B	7	W	100.384	15.8	39.8–756.1	50.2	1.19 × 1.02	36.91
Z11598 – 0112	12 ^h 02 ^m 26 ^s .7575	−01° 29′ 15″.418	0.1512045	12/18–01/19	A + C	10	P	100.131	8.5	15.9–760.0	50.3	3.26 × 1.23	16.54
F13342 + 3932	13 ^h 36 ^m 24 ^s .0589	+39° 17′ 31″.131	0.1797	02–04/18	A	9	P	97.712	7.5	18.2–737.5	51.6	1.60 × 1.14	74.13
PG 1440 + 356	14 ^h 42 ^m 07 ^s .4732	+35° 26′ 22″.953	0.077756	12/16	A	8	W	106.780	9.0	23.6–758.5	47.1	1.50 × 1.17	45.62

(1) Object name; (2)–(3) Phase centre coordinates determined from ALLWISE (Wright et al. 2010; Cutri et al. 2014); (4) Redshift used to set CO (1–0) velocity scale, see Section 2 for references; (5) Date of observations in mm–mm/yy format; (6) Array configuration, C is the most compact; (7) Number of antennas; (8) Correlator, either WideX (W), or PolyFiX (P); (9) Observed frequency; (10) Time on source; (11) Minimum and maximum baselines; (12) The half power of the circular primary beam; (13) Synthesized beam major and minor axes; (14) Beam position angle measured east of north.

or the high-velocity wings of emission lines like CO (1–0). Using the same techniques, samples of objects reveal that while stellar processes and AGN can both drive outflows, the outflow properties do correlate with properties of the central engine (Sturm et al. 2011; Spoon et al. 2013; Veilleux et al. 2013; Cicone et al. 2014; González-Alfonso et al. 2017; Pereira-Santaella et al. 2018; Combes et al. 2019; Fluetsch et al. 2019; Ramakrishnan et al. 2019; Lutz et al. 2020). However, these samples are often small, and cold molecular outflows are particularly poorly statistically characterized.

In this paper, we present new interferometric observations of CO (1–0) in four nearby ($z < 0.3$) type-1 quasars ($L > 10^{45}$ erg s^{−1}) that have observations of warm molecular, neutral, or ionized outflows. This is part of an ongoing effort to characterize the multiphase outflow properties in type-1 AGN (Rupke et al. 2017), and this installment was undertaken with the aim of quantifying the cold molecular gas properties with increased spatial resolution and identifying outflows if they are present.

This paper is organized as follows: in Section 2, we introduce the targets, present the new observations, and describe the data reduction process. Section 3 details the analysis of the CO (1–0) data cube, including measurements of the CO (1–0) properties. In Section 3.1, we discuss the details of individual objects, including a detailed calculation of the kinematics in one object in Section 3.5.1. We discuss this work in the context of previous results and summarize our findings in Section 3.5.1. Throughout this work, we adopt a cosmology of $H_0 = 73$ km s^{−1} Mpc^{−1}, $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.73$, and $\Omega_m = 0.27$.

2 TARGETS, OBSERVATIONS, AND DATA REDUCTION

In this section, we describe the acquisition and analysis of CO (1–0) ($\nu_{rest} = 115.271$ GHz) observations for F07599+6508, Z11598 – 0112, F13342 + 3932, and PG1440 + 356. These sources were chosen from the larger Quasar and ULIRG Evolution Study sample (QUEST; Schweitzer et al. 2006; Veilleux et al. 2006, 2009a, b; Netzer et al. 2007), which comprises local ultraluminous infrared galaxies (ULIRGs) from the 1 Jy sample (Kim & Sanders 1998) and Palomar-Green (PG) quasars (Schmidt & Green 1983). The specific targets were chosen based on a qualitative combination of observability, expected signal-to-noise ratio based on existing single-dish observations, achievable spatial resolution, and the availability of multiwavelength data to determine physical and outflow properties in other gas phases. The heterogenous nature of the sources reflects our ongoing efforts to observe the multiphase outflow properties of the QUEST sample.

We observed the targets with the IRAM Northern Extended Millimeter Array (NOEMA) between January 2016 and 2019. During the time of our observations, the telescope underwent substantial hardware upgrades, including three new antennas and

a new correlator. We document these changes and summarize other technical details of the observations for each object in Table 1.

The data calibration was performed using the GILDAS package CLIC (versions oct16–aug19a). Although each object was observed in multiple tracks, the tracks often shared flux calibrators. Notably, there was very good agreement between the fluxes obtained for calibrators observed on multiple nights. Following standard practices, the accuracy of the absolute flux calibration in the 3 mm band is better than 10 per cent (Castro-Carrizo & Neri 2010).

We used the WideX correlator and then the new PolyFiX correlator after it was installed in 2017. WideX has a bandwidth of 3.6 GHz and spectral resolution of 1.95 MHz. PolyFiX has a configurable spectral window with the possibility of distributing high spectral resolution chunks in areas of interest. For consistency with WideX, we used the wideband setup to obtain a 3.9 GHz baseband window with a spectral resolution of 2 MHz centred on the CO (1–0) emission line to maximize signal. At the tuning frequency, the spectral resolution corresponds to 5.5–7 km s^{−1}. We binned the uv tables by 2–11 channels to obtain spectral resolution of 60, 15, 21, and 25 km s^{−1} for F07599 + 6508, Z11598 – 0112, F13342 + 3932, and PG1440 + 356, respectively. The range in spectral resolution is a practical consequence of the fact that the observations were designed and scheduled completely independently based on known multiwavelength properties of the individual sources. The velocity scale was initially set using the redshift values listed in Table 1. These were determined based on optical emission lines, with one exception. The redshift for F07599 + 6508 was measured by Strauss et al. (1992) based on the H α and [N II] λ 6583 emission lines. The redshift for F13342 + 3932 is based on a fit to optical integral field spectroscopy (IFS) of the host galaxy (Rupke et al. 2017). In PG 1440 + 356 and Z11598 – 0112, the CO (1–0) redshift was not well matched to the optical redshift. The velocity scales for these objects were set based on visual inspection of the NOEMA spectrum during the data reduction to put the centre of the line profile at the systemic velocity. The redshift that achieves this for PG 1440 + 356 is consistent with but more precise than the one obtained from single-dish CO (1–0) observations and optical spectroscopy (Evans et al. 2009; Veilleux et al. 2013). For Z11598 – 0112, the Strauss et al. (1992) optical redshift of 0.15069 ± 0.0002 is not consistent with the NOEMA redshift. Based on visual inspection, we identified two line-free continuum regions per object. These were used to generate a continuum uv table, which was subtracted to isolate a uv table for CO (1–0) (e.g. Cicone et al. 2014).

The image cleaning and analysis was done with the MAPPING package in GILDAS. The absolute astrometric uncertainty, including both telescope and observational contributions, is of order 10^{−1} the beam size, or 0′.15–0′.32. We generated a 1024 × 1024 pixel map with pixel size recommended by the GILDAS software based on the synthesized beam size: 0′.163, 0′.16, 0′.17, 0′.1524 for F07599+6508, Z11598 – 0112, F13342+3932, and PG1440 + 356, respectively.

Table 2. Physical properties.

Object (1)	CO(1–0) Redshift (2)	$S_{CO}\Delta v$ (Jy km s ^{−1}) (3)	L'_{CO} (10 ⁹ K km s ^{−1} pc ²) (4)	$M(H_2)$ (10 ⁹ M _⊙) (5)
F07599 + 6508	0.1485 ± 0.0002	10.0 ± 0.1	9.6 ± 0.1	7.7 ± 0.1
Z11598 − 0112	0.15118 ± 0.00005	9.46 ± 0.02	9.45 ± 0.02	7.56 ± 0.02
F13342 + 3932	0.17965 ± 0.00007	8.2 ± 0.1	11.6 ± 0.1	9.3 ± 0.1
PG 1440 + 356	0.07777 ± 0.00008	9.2 ± 0.1	2.35 ± 0.02	1.88 ± 0.01

(1) Object name; (2) Flux-weighted CO redshift from the pixel with the maximum integrated flux, uncertainties are formal fit uncertainties added in quadrature with the velocity resolution; (3) Integrated flux from the data (Section 3.1) within ±1000 km s^{−1} in a 5 × 5 arcsec box; (4) Total CO(1–0) luminosity assuming redshift from column 2; (5) Total gas mass assuming $\alpha = M(H_2)/L'_{CO} \sim 0.8 M_{\odot} (K \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^2)^{-1}$.

Observations were made with a single pointing per target, so the largest angular scale is determined by the shortest baseline given in Table 1. The image was cleaned with natural weighting down to three times the noise determined from an initial cleaned version of the image, using a 25 × 25 arcsec² square support mask around the centre of the field. The rms noise level in the cleaned, continuum-subtracted cubes is a function of frequency, with an average flux uncertainty of 0.259–0.367 mJy beam^{−1} across all channels.

We present several visualizations (channel maps, spectral maps, and integrated spectra) of the reduced CO(1–0) data cubes in Appendix A. All visualizations are centred on the coordinates in Table 1 and the CO(1–0) redshift in Table 2. We discuss these in the context of further multiwavelength data for each object in Section 3.1.

3 ANALYSIS OF THE NOEMA OBSERVATIONS

In this section, we present the analysis of the new CO(1–0) data cubes for the four AGN listed in Table 1. This includes the spectral decomposition of the data cubes and measurements made to quantify the CO(1–0) luminosity and molecular gas mass.

3.1 Spectral decomposition and physical properties

In order to measure physical properties from the CO(1–0) line profile, we decomposed the continuum-subtracted spectra following Runnoe, Gültekin & Rupke (2018). Briefly, each profile was modelled with up to three Gaussians, which were allowed to vary completely independently and to which no physical meaning was attributed. We imposed several constraints to prevent over-fitting of noise spikes and ensure meaningful results: we required that the fluxes of the Gaussians be positive, the widths be larger than the velocity resolution, and the position of the second and third Gaussians be within the domain of the line profile. We used the IDL package MPFIT (Markwardt 2012) to minimize the chi-squared statistic and identify the best-fitting model.

We measured the properties of the line profiles in spaxels where the CO(1–0) line was robustly detected. Specifically, for a detection, we required that the peak of the best-fitting model be at least five times the noise, which is taken to be the average rms of continuum channels with 1000 < v < 1500 km s^{−1}. We measured the integrated flux, velocity centroid, and velocity dispersion within ±1000 km s^{−1} of zero velocity from the best-fitting model in detected spaxels. Uncertainties on these measured properties were taken to be the standard deviation of the distribution for each measurement determined by Monte Carlo techniques for the entire decomposition 10³ times. In each iteration, we decomposed a synthetic spectrum calculated by perturbing the flux in each channel according to a normal distribution with width equal to its measured noise. From this, we

built distributions of integrated flux, velocity centroid, and velocity dispersion whose means were comparable to our measured values in each spaxel and whose standard deviations we took to be the uncertainty on that measured value. The formal decomposition in each spaxel yields intensity uncertainties that are 0.02–0.15 Jy beam^{−1}, centroid uncertainties that are 2–150 km s^{−1}, and dispersion uncertainties that are 1–130 km s^{−1}. Adding the velocity resolution in quadrature yields a minimum velocity uncertainty of ∼7 km s^{−1}.

In Fig. 1, we show maps of the integrated flux, velocity centroid, and velocity dispersion for each object. Smooth large-scale trends in these maps are real, but we note that our methodology is still susceptible to perturbations in individual spaxels. This occurs most commonly near the edge of the detectable range and most prominently in the velocity dispersion which is the most sensitive measurement to low signal to noise (Denney et al. 2009) with the largest uncertainties.

We derived physical properties for all four sources, which we present in Table 2. The redshift was determined from the flux-weighted centroid (i.e. the first moment) of the best-fitting line profile in the pixel with the highest integrated CO(1–0) flux. All measured properties use this CO(1–0) redshift. The total CO(1–0) luminosity, L'_{CO} , was calculated by integrating the data within ±1000 km s^{−1} of the line centre and in a 5 × 5 arcsec box. Fluxes and consequently luminosities are 10–20 percent lower than published values from single-dish observations (Xia et al. 2012), which is consistent within typical absolute flux uncertainties. The total molecular gas mass, $M(H_2)$, follows assuming a conversion from CO(1–0) of $\alpha = M(H_2)/L'_{CO} \sim 0.8 M_{\odot} (K \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^2)^{-1}$ (Cicone et al. 2014; Lutz et al. 2020). The value is unconstrained in these objects, so we selected the value typical of ULIRGs consistent with other AGN (e.g. Lutz et al. 2020). Uncertainties are propagated from the uncertainties in the CO(1–0) flux measurements.

4 INDIVIDUAL OBJECTS

In this section, we provide a discussion of the observations of each source that, when appropriate, is given in the context of existing multiwavelength information in the literature. In order to put the new observations in context, we show the Sloan Digital Sky Survey data release 16 (SDSS DR16; Ahumada et al. 2020) host galaxy images in Fig. 2.

4.1 F07599 + 6508

F07599 + 6508 is a ULIRG (Low et al. 1989) with a Type 1 low-ionization broad absorption line quasar (Lanzetta, Turnshek & Sandoval 1993; Lipari 1994; Hines & Wills 1995) nucleus and unusually strong Fe II emission (Lawrence et al. 1988). In these and

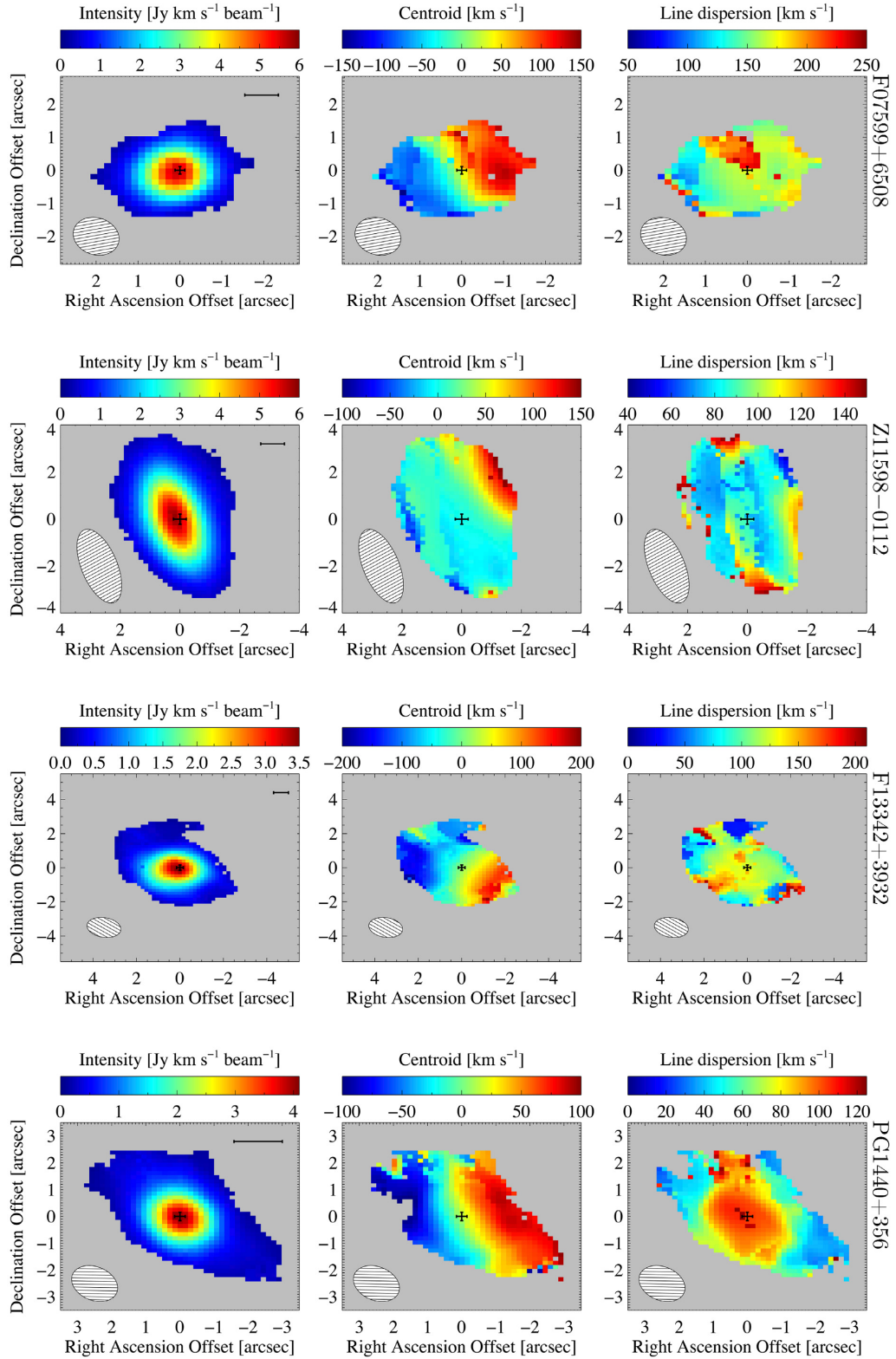


Figure 1. Maps of the integrated flux, velocity centroid, and velocity dispersion of the CO(1–0) emission line for each object. Formal intensity uncertainties are 0.02–0.15 Jy beam⁻¹, centroid uncertainties are 2–150 km s⁻¹, and dispersion uncertainties are 1–130 km s⁻¹. These maps include measurements from the best-fitting model for spaxels where the total line profile was detected at the 5 σ level, as described in Section 3. The black cross shows the location of the coordinates in Table 1 with NOEMA absolute positional uncertainties comparable to 10⁻¹ of the size of the beam, which is shown as a hatched ellipse in each panel. The scale bar marks 2 kpc.

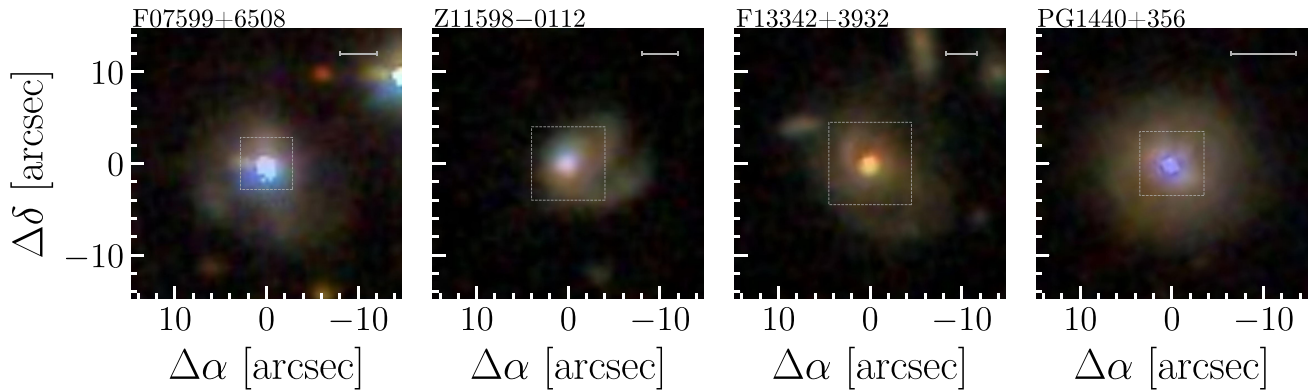


Figure 2. SDSS *gri* images of the target host galaxies. In each case, the field is centred on the target using the coordinates in Table 1, the scale bar marks 10 kpc, and the dashed box shows the map size shown for NOEMA data in Fig. 1. North is up and east is left.

other respects, it is reminiscent of better-known Mrk 231 (Rupke et al. 2005). The host galaxy is dominated by the bright AGN point source (Sanders et al. 1988), but shows some relatively symmetric extended structure in *Hubble Space Telescope* (*HST*) *H*-band imaging (Veilleux et al. 2006). Outflows have already been detected in multiple gas phases. There are two neutral outflows in Na I D. One is an unresolved, high-velocity outflow (Boroson & Meyers 1992; Rupke et al. 2005), consistent with the resonance response of material entrained in the BAL outflow, and the other low-velocity outflow is uncharacteristically misaligned with the host galaxy’s minor axis (Rupke et al. 2017). An ionized outflow is detected in [N II] $\lambda 6583$ and other strong optical emission lines (Rupke et al. 2017) and a warm molecular outflow via the P-Cygni profile of OH $\lambda 119 \mu\text{m}$ (Veilleux et al. 2013). Existing single-dish CO(1–0) observations from the IRAM 30 m telescope ($\theta_b = 24$ arcsec, Xia et al. 2012) show a double-peaked line profile. One narrow peak is near the systemic velocity and there is a second, broad redshifted peak. They obtain a flux-weighted CO(1–0) redshift of 0.148.

We do not detect a CO(1–0) outflow in F07599 + 6508 on the arcsecond scales probed with our observations. The CO(1–0) emission is not well resolved spatially, detected at very high velocities ($>500 \text{ km s}^{-1}$), nor do we observe clear signs of complex kinematic motions beyond a rotating disc. There is some spatial extension in several velocity channels (e.g. -120 km s^{-1} , $180\text{--}240 \text{ km s}^{-1}$), but higher spatial resolution observations would be required to identify departures from a Keplerian motion.

The line profile that we observe is qualitatively similar to the single-dish observation from Xia et al. (2012), after integrating over a large spatial area, but the emission is less redshifted than expected from those data. We obtain a flux-weighted redshift which is 60 km s^{-1} larger than the optical redshift. This is smaller than was obtained for the Xia et al. (2012) single-dish observations. They adopt an optical redshift of 0.148 and find a CO(1–0) flux-weighted redshift of 0.149, a difference of $\sim 300 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. This is in part due to the fact that we obtain the redshift from the central pixel rather than the spatially integrated profile.

4.2 Z11598 – 0112

Z11598 – 0112 is a ULIRG (Kim & Sanders 1998) with a radio-loud narrow-line Seyfert 1 (NLS1) nucleus (Moran, Halpern & Helfand 1996; Condon et al. 1998). Optical spectra show no Na I D absorption that would be indicative of a neutral outflow (Rupke et al.

2005), but weak absorption is detected in more sensitive data along with a miniBAL in the ultraviolet (Martin et al. 2015). A warm molecular outflow is detected based on OH $\lambda 119 \mu\text{m}$ absorption with a blueshift of $-153 \pm 50 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (Veilleux et al. 2013). Single-dish CO observations with a $\theta_b = 24$ arcsec beam show potential for high-velocity wings to the CO(1–0) line profile (Xia et al. 2012). They obtain a flux-weighted CO(1–0) redshift of 0.151, which is also what they tabulate for the optical redshift.

The line profile that we observe is qualitatively similar to the single-dish observation from Xia et al. (2012). The CO(1–0) redshift we obtain is also consistent, given their listed precision. However, this is larger than the Strauss et al. (1992) optical redshift by $\sim 150 \text{ km s}^{-1}$.

We do not detect a high-velocity CO(1–0) outflow in Z11598 – 0112 at the scales probed with our observations. Notably, the beam is very elongated because of the low declination of this source relative to NOEMA’s northern location. However, in the channel maps of Fig. A1, there is CO(1–0) that is near the spatial resolution perpendicular to the major axis of the beam. In order to boost the signal of this feature, we show an image of the CO(1–0) emission integrated between 200 and 300 km s^{-1} in Fig. 3, with an illustration of the spatially integrated spectrum highlighting the relevant velocity channels. Integrating to bluer channels only serves to increase the CO(1–0) flux at the position of the source.

The single-dish CO(1–0) showed the potential for high-velocity line wings. Here, these seem to extend out to approximately 300 km s^{-1} (or slightly farther on the blue side, but no spatial extension is associated with this emission). Binning in velocity does highlight the wings, but does not boost any signal above the noise at velocities higher than $|300| \text{ km s}^{-1}$. The position-velocity diagram in Fig. 4 suggests that this emission is not rotation, as it is not reflected on the blue side of the line. This is also reflected in the channel maps. This falls just shy of the Ciccone et al. (2014) criteria for detecting outflows. There is a known warm molecular outflow detected in OH $\lambda 119 \mu\text{m}$, but it is based on blueshifted absorption at 150 km s^{-1} rather than a P-Cygni profile. It is possible that the extended redshifted CO emission represents the other side of this outflow, since the profile does cover $\sim 150 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. However, this cannot be proven with the current data and this scenario does not explain why the blueshifted side of the outflow is not seen in CO. Alternatively, the extended redshifted CO emission does align with one of the tidal stellar features in the system (see Fig. 2), which would point to a tidal origin for the extended CO.

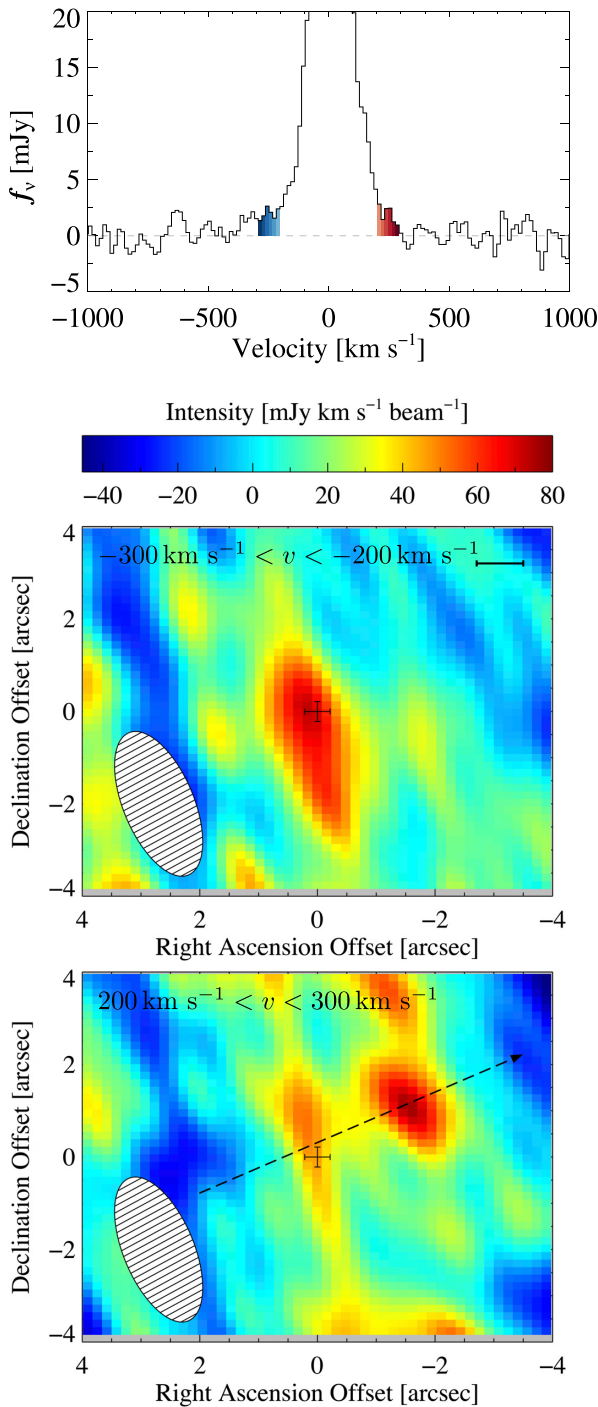


Figure 3. CO(1–0) emission integrated over the wings of the line profile for Z11598 – 0112 showing the spatially off-centre emission in the red wing. The top panel shows the spatially integrated CO(1–0) spectrum over a 5×5 arcsec² box with the integrated velocity channels highlighted in blue and red. The middle panel shows the intensity map integrated over the blue wing, corresponding to the velocity range -300 to -200 km s⁻¹. The scale bar marks 2 kpc. The bottom panel shows the intensity map integrated over the red wing, corresponding to the velocity range 200 – 300 km s⁻¹. The position-velocity diagram in Fig. 4 follows the black arrow from bottom left to top right.

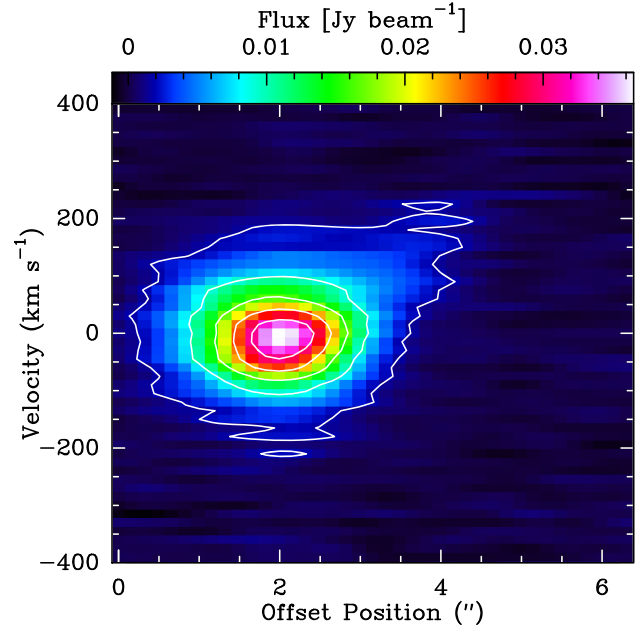


Figure 4. Position-velocity diagram for Z11598 – 0112 following the arrow in Fig. 3. The offset is measured from the origin at the base of the arrow to its tip, so that the nucleus appears at ~ 2 arcsec. The CO(1–0) emission at 200 – 300 km s⁻¹ falls at an offset position of approximately 4 arcsec and does not appear to be in rotation.

4.3 F13342 + 3932

F13342 + 3932 is a ULIRG (Kim & Sanders 1998) with a radio-quiet Seyfert 1 nucleus (Zheng et al. 2002; Nagar et al. 2003). *HST* WFPC2/F814W (wide *I*-band) imaging shows two prominent spiral arms in the host galaxy (Borne et al. 2000; Rupke et al. 2017). The host galaxy environment was initially mis-classified as an interacting group (Borne et al. 2000), but redshift analysis shows that only the nearest companion (upper left corner in Fig. 2) with $z = 0.180$ is nearby in velocity space (Veilleux, Kim & Sanders 2002). Gemini IFS reveals the stellar velocity field and relatively compact ionized and neutral outflows in all the strong optical emission lines (e.g. [N II] $\lambda 6583$) and Na I D (Rupke et al. 2017). The velocity field of the gas traced by optical emission lines is rotation dominated with a major axis position angle $\sim 55^\circ$ measured East of North (i.e. oriented roughly NE to SW). The outflow is roughly perpendicular to this along the minor axis, as is the wide-angle ionization cone of the AGN central engine. The total outflow may be AGN-driven as the amount of momentum required (though not energy) is too high to attribute to starbursts. Single-dish CO observations with a $\theta_b = 24$ arcsec beam show a line profile with a narrow blue peak and redshifted broad base (Xia et al. 2012). This is set to zero velocity using a redshift of 0.179 and the flux-weighted CO(1–0) redshift is 0.180.

The CO(1–0) observations from NOEMA show a triple-peaked line profile in the integrated spectrum of Fig. A3. The middle and red peaks are what blend together in the single-dish observations to create what appears to be a broad, redshifted base to the line. The peaks in the line profile separate themselves spatially to some degree. As seen in Fig. A2, the bluest and reddest peaks are emitted from the NE and SW regions, whereas the central peak comes primarily from the centre and SE of the source. The red and blue peaks are coincident with the gas disc from Rupke et al. (2017) and the central peak falls in the vicinity of the base of one spiral arm (NE region

of the NOEMA field of view in Fig. 2). The triple peaked CO (1–0) line may result from a double-peaked line structure consistent with the stellar disc plus an additional peak related to the tidal feature or spiral arm shown to the NE in Fig. 2 potentially due to interaction with the nearby companion. We do no further modelling of this source because an interacting system is too complex given the quality of the data.

4.4 PG 1440 + 356

PG 1440 + 356 (Mrk 478) is a classic, bright Type-1 radio-quiet quasar (Schmidt & Green 1983; Meurs & Wilson 1984; Green, Schmidt & Liebert 1986; Miller, Rawlings & Saunders 1993). The spectral energy distribution of this source is extremely well observed at radio through X-ray wavelengths (e.g. Shang et al. 2005, 2011) and is very far-infrared bright (Schweitzer et al. 2006). The host galaxy is a barred spiral with an elliptical disc (Veilleux et al. 2009b) and potentially also faint evidence for shells (Surace, Sanders & Evans 2001). A warm molecular outflow may be present based on OH $\lambda 119 \mu\text{m}$ seen in emission at $\sim -150 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ (whereas OH absorption would have constituted an unambiguous outflow detection; Veilleux et al. 2013). Single-dish CO observations do not resolve any spatial structure at 4 arcsec resolution, but the CO (1–0) line profile has $z = 0.078$ and is obviously complex (Evans et al. 2001).

A visual inspection of the data cube shows complex velocity and spatial structure. There is a double-peaked line profile that is indicative of an emitting disc (Beckwith & Sargent 1993) with the highest velocity components distributed approximately east-west, as seen in Fig. A2. In addition, the CO (1–0) emission is spatially extended along the NE-SW direction (Fig. A1 at e.g. $\pm 75 \text{ km s}^{-1}$), with this emission corresponding to the most red and blueshifted gas in the spectral maps beyond the double-peaked line profile. Thus, it appears that PG 1440 + 356 hosts a molecular gas disc, plus additional structure. It is difficult to determine the nature of this CO (1–0) because this source does not host a known warm molecular gas outflow and the CO (1–0) velocities are not high enough to unambiguously attribute it to an outflow. An alternative is that the CO (1–0) may reside in a warped disc or bar, which is particularly reasonable given that the PG 1440 + 356 host galaxy is a barred spiral.

4.4.1 Kinematics in PG 1440 + 356

Our goal was to detect and quantify the properties of any outflow that is present in the PG 1440 + 356 CO (1–0) data cube. There is a clear pattern in the data cube for structure in the CO (1–0) emitting gas that is more complex than a simple disc. Here, we take the approach of isolating the emission not clearly attributable to a rotating disc to use it to calculate upper limits on the properties of any outflow in PG 1440 + 356 (e.g. Veilleux et al. 2017; Herrera-Camus et al. 2019; Bewketu Belete et al. 2021).

To this end, we parametrized the rotating disc so that it could be subtracted to isolate the other component in the residuals. We adopted a circularly symmetric logarithmic gravitational potential which produces the flat rotation curves typically seen in CO on kpc scales similar to our observations (e.g. Sofue et al. 1999; Sofue & Rubin 2001). Our priority was to constrain the overall disc emission rather than estimate the disc properties. Thus, we limited the input physics to rotation to which we applied an emissivity profile rather than performing a full treatment of the radiative transfer of a disc in local thermal equilibrium (e.g. Pringle 1981; Yen et al. 2014). The

model disc is constructed as follows:

$$V_{rot}(R) = \sqrt{\frac{v_0^2 R^2}{R^2 + R_c^2}}, \quad (1)$$

where

$$R = r \cdot d, \quad (2)$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + (y/\cos i)^2}, \quad (3)$$

$$x = -(\Delta\alpha - x_0) \cos \psi + (\Delta\delta - y_0) \sin \psi, \quad (4)$$

$$y = (\Delta\alpha - x_0) \sin \psi + (\Delta\delta - y_0) \cos \psi. \quad (5)$$

Here $V_{rot}(R)$ is the radial profile of the rotational velocity, v_0 is the value of the flat rotation curve at $R > R_c$, R is radius in the disc plane in physical units (e.g. kiloparsecs), r is the radial positional offset in the disc plane expressed in angular units on the sky (e.g. arcseconds), d is the angular diameter distance to the source, i is the inclination angle of the disc to the line of sight, x and y are the positional offsets along the major and minor axes in the disc plane measured in angular units on the sky from the kinematic centre, x_0 and y_0 are the coordinates of the kinematic disc centre in angular sky units, $\Delta\alpha$ and $\Delta\delta$ are right ascension and declination offsets from the centre of the flux map, and ψ is the position angle of the disc major axis measured counterclockwise north of west. The line-of-sight velocity is then a function of position in the disc given by,

$$V_{LOS} = V_{rot} \cdot \sin i \cdot \frac{x}{r}, \quad (6)$$

where r is the positional offset radius in the disc plane related to the physical radius by d .

The profile of the CO (1–0) emission line was modelled as a Gaussian,

$$\phi(v) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{(v - V_{LOS})^2}{2\sigma_v^2}\right], \quad (7)$$

where σ_v is the velocity broadening parameter and a single value is adopted for the entire cube. Due to the limitations of the data quality, the intensity was obtained by applying a power-law emissivity profile to the disc,

$$I(r) = I_0 \left(\frac{r}{r_0}\right)^{-p}, \quad (8)$$

which is calculated between r_{in} and r_{out} and $r_0 = 1$ arcsec. The model data cube was then calculated by multiplying equations (7) and (8).

We adopt the CO (1–0) redshift, z , as an additional free parameter applied to the observed-frame data cube before comparison with the disc model. This accounts for the fact that the CO (1–0) redshift does not necessarily match the one obtained from optical ionized emission lines and so is not known *a priori*. The CO (1–0) redshift is often determined from the line peak or flux-weighted centroid (as in Section 3.1), but given the complex shape of the line profile including it as a free parameter allows the more refined measurement consistent with the disc model.

Each model disc was smeared with a beam prior to comparison with the observed data cube. We used the CONVOLUTION package in ASTROPY to calculate a 2D Gaussian kernel from the NOEMA beam parameters for the PG 1440 + 356 observation. We then convolved this with the model data cube in every velocity channel to obtain the ‘observed’ disc model cube.

We compared the physical disc model to the data with the affine-invariant Markov Chain Monte Carlo ensemble sampler EMCEE

Table 3. Parameters of PG 1440 + 356 disc.

Parameter	Distribution	Prior distribution Lower bound	Upper bound	Adopted Value
i (deg).....	Uniform	0	90	47^{+7}_{-1}
ψ (deg).....	Uniform	0	180	19^{+7}_{-1}
v_0 (km s ⁻¹).....	Jeffreys	1.0	1000.	184^{+3}_{-29}
R_c (kpc).....	Fixed	0.0
x_0 (arcsec).....	Uniform	-1.0	1.0	$0.092^{+0.002}_{-0.020}$
y_0 (arcsec).....	Uniform	-0.5	0.5	$0.027^{+0.001}_{-0.023}$
σ_v (km s ⁻¹).....	Mod. Jeffreys	0.001	400.	$40.7^{+4}_{-0.2}$
$\log(I_0)$ (Jy beam ⁻¹)...	Uniform	-3.0	-1.0	$-2.06^{+0.007}_{-0.7}$
p	Uniform	0.0	6.0	$2.34^{+1.9}_{-0.01}$
r_{in} (arcsec).....	Mod. Jeffreys	0.0	5.0	$0.13^{+0.11}_{-0.01}$
r_{out} (arcsec).....	Jeffreys	1.0	20.0	$4.7^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$
z	Uniform	0.075	0.080	$0.0777142^{+9 \times 10^{-7}}_{-5 \times 10^{-7}}$

See Section 3.5.1 of the text for a detailed discussion.

(Foreman-Mackey et al. 2013). This routine samples the posterior distribution of the model parameters as a consequence of the combined prior probability and likelihood functions. It takes as inputs the data, an initial distribution of ‘walkers’ (effectively an initial-guess distribution for each model parameter), a prior probability distribution for each disc model parameter, and a functional form for the likelihood.

The walkers were initialized based on the outcome of a simple chi-squared optimization, the priors and allowed range for each disc model parameter are listed in Table 3, and we adopted a normal likelihood function. For numerical stability, the I_0 parameter was treated in logarithmic space and its uniform prior was effectively a Jeffreys prior on the linear quantity (i.e. the prior probability distribution of I_0 was proportional to $1/I_0$ to avoid unintentionally biasing the outcome towards large values). The σ_v and r_{in} parameters were treated with modified Jeffreys priors because values near zero were possible. Thus, they were uniform below 10 km s⁻¹ and 0.1 arcsec, respectively, and followed a Jeffreys prior above these values. The limits on each property were chosen to provide a full range in parameter space, by exploring clear limits in the data cube, and by obtaining measurements of physical properties from the literature. The range in allowed redshift encompasses various estimates from optical emission lines. The R_c parameter, which controls the radius where the disc rotation curve flattens to a constant value, was fixed at 0. This was done because the data preferred sub-pixel values for R_c and further exploration in this parameter detracted from other more important parameters.

After a burn-in phase where the simulation transformed the initial 300-walker distributions to resemble the posterior distributions of interest, we ran the simulation for 250 iterations. We explored running the simulation for up to 1000 iterations, but found that 250 was sufficient. The comparison between the data and rotating disc model cubes was made within the central part of the data cube, shown in Figs 5 and 7. This was done to ameliorate the effects of the other CO (1–0) component on the disc simulation, and the region was chosen to include the area where the rotating disc dominates emission. Fig. 6 shows the integrated spectrum of the total data cube, the total rotating disc model, and the data and disc model within the region of comparison to verify the success of this approach in providing a good comparison. The parameters and uncertainties of the rotating disc model most likely to produce the observed data

were determined from the 16, 50, and 84th percentile of the posterior distributions for each property and are listed in Table 3.

In Fig. 5, we show the intensity maps of the data cube, the rotating disc model, and the residual between them when they are subtracted over all spatial scales (i.e. not just within the region where the simulation was run). We emphasize that the goal here was not to obtain the best-fitting parameters to a disc model, but rather to isolate the non-disc-like CO (1–0) component in the residuals. We experimented with more complex disc models, for example by allowing the emissivity profile to be a combination of an exponential and Gaussian or allowing spatial shifts between components, but the simulation struggled to converge in this case. We also fit a Keplerian disc model to the data. Parameters shared between the two models had similar (although not identical) values and the overall outcome and conclusions of the exercise were unchanged.

The line-of-sight velocity map of the residual CO (1–0) emission after rotating disc model subtraction is shown in Fig. 7. The line-of-sight velocity was calculated using the BETTERMOMENTS package (Teague & Foreman-Mackey 2018, 2019). As an alternative to traditional velocity centroid maps, which represent the intensity weighted average velocity, this code fits a quadratic function to the pixel with the maximum intensity and its nearest neighbours. This approach effectively finds the peak of the line profile and quantifies its velocity in a robust way that is less sensitive to noise and profile asymmetry than the first moment. We also calculated the first-moment map, which was noisier but qualitatively similar. The map is plotted for spaxels that are significant at 3σ or greater level. The rms was determined from the residuals within the masked fitting region. The left-hand panel shows the line-of-sight velocity map for the data, the middle panel for the rotating disc model, and the right shows the residuals. The central region where the disc simulation was performed is marked, but the resulting disc was subtracted from all spaxels.

The CO (1–0) in the right-hand panel of Fig. 7 shows the residual emission from the rotating disc model when it is greater than the 3σ level. Inside the masked region, the residuals represent a mismatch between the data and the model that is larger than three times the rms determined there. That is, this shows the spatial position of the difference between the black dotted and red dotted line in Fig. 6: the biggest difference is at $0 < v < 150$ km s⁻¹, which produces a redshift in the residual velocity map. Other differences between the

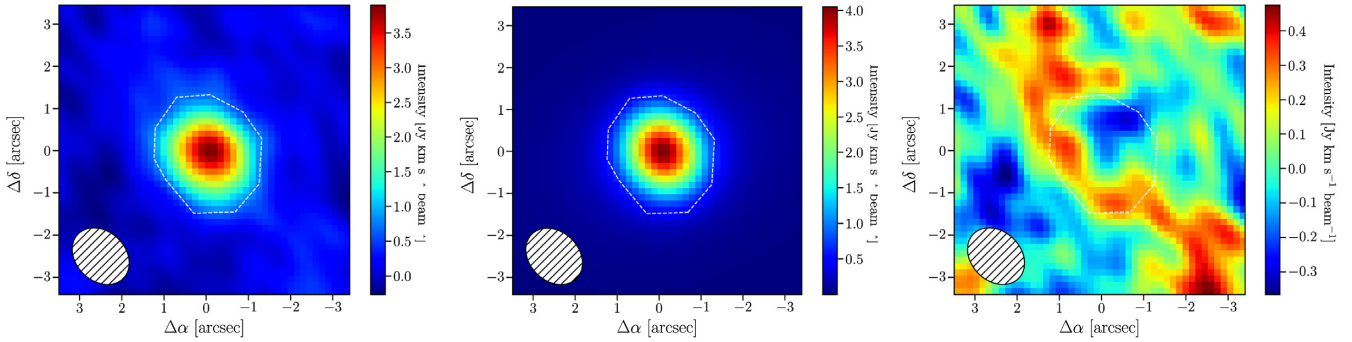


Figure 5. Maps of the spatially resolved CO emission in PG 1440 + 356. The data, disc model, and residuals are shown from left to right, the beam size is indicated, and the dashed line indicates the masked region for the disc fit. Notably, the right-hand panel shows that the component isolated in the residuals lies along the northeast-southwest axis.

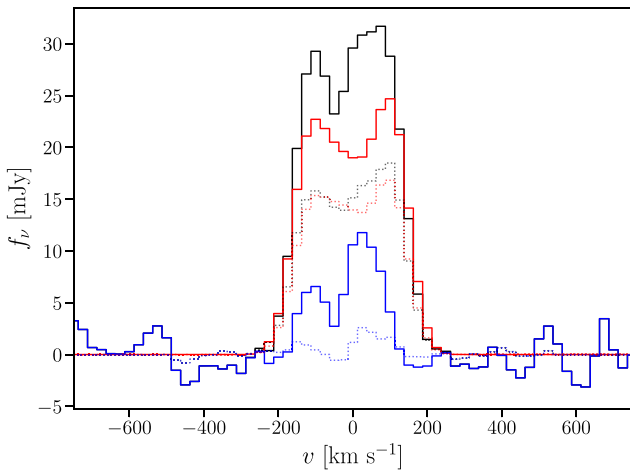


Figure 6. The integrated CO spectra for PG 1440 + 356. The data, disc model, and residuals are shown in black, red, and blue, respectively. Solid lines show spectrum from the full data cube and dotted lines show the masked region used for fitting the disc. The residuals in the masked region (dashed-blue) are near zero, indicating that the fit was successful. The solid blue line represents the integrated spectrum of the kinematically complex component isolated in the full data cube residuals.

data and rotating disc model in the masked region are small, below the 3σ detection threshold, and so they do not appear in the figure.

Outside of the masked region, the CO (1–0) differs in spatial and velocity space from the rotating disc and is detected at the $>3\sigma$ level. The minor axes of the data and rotating disc model, traced by the gas with velocities nearest systemic in each component, are slightly different. The disc has a major axis of approximately 15° measured north of east (see Table 3), which places the minor axis 15° from north to south. On the other hand, the gas with velocities nearest systemic in the residual map is oriented north-south.

It is worthwhile to compare these results to known properties of stars in the PG 1440 + 356 host. Notably, in *HST* near-infrared imaging, PG 1440 + 356 has an extended stellar disc with a photometric major axis position angle that is 60° east of north (Veilleux et al. 2009b). The stellar residual revealed after the subtraction of the stellar model fit shows features much like spiral arms aligned along a similar axis. While the major axis of this stellar disc is different from that of the compact molecular disc in our model by $\sim 30^\circ$, it is consistent with the residual emission in CO in terms of the direction of the residual flux. We note that the kinematic position angle of stars

in the host may not be the same as the photometric position angle of the stellar component (e.g. Veilleux et al. 2009b; Rupke et al. 2017).

Ultimately, if there is a cold molecular gas outflow in PG 1440 + 356, it has $L'_{CO} < 2.2 \times 10^8 \text{ K km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^2$ and $M < 1.8 \times 10^8 M_\odot$, determined from the residual CO emission and again assuming $\alpha = M(\text{H}_2)/L'_{CO} \sim 0.8 M_\odot (\text{K km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^2)^{-1}$. For the Keplerian disc model, these values are of the same magnitude but less restrictive. Normally, the impact of an outflow on its host galaxy is determined by the velocity, size, and the value and outflow rate of the mass, momentum, and energy. However, the determination of these properties requires a clear outflow detection and knowledge of the outflow geometry so that an appropriate physical outflow model can be adopted. These things are beyond the capabilities of these data to support. We can only conclude that the CO (1–0) in PG 1440 + 356 has structure more complex than a rotating disc, which may be a moderate velocity outflow, a warped disc, or a bar. Given the comparison to the stellar emission in near-infrared imaging, the latter options appear more likely.

5 DISCUSSION

In this work, we present IRAM NOEMA interferometric observations of CO (1–0) in four type-1 AGN known to host outflows in other gas phases. We calculated the CO (1–0) luminosity and molecular gas mass and, in the case of PG 1440 + 356, we subtracted a rotating disc model to reveal more complex kinematics in the residuals.

During the process of fitting the disc model to the PG 1440 + 356 data cube, it became clear that we were working at the limitation of the data. For example, reasonable limits on the black hole mass from other lines of evidence were important for constraining the fit. In light of this, one limitation of this work is that the best-fitting parameters of the disc model may be more uncertain than they appear in Table 3. There are choices (e.g. the precise region where the rotating disc model was compared to the data) that are not represented in the uncertainties. Because our aim was to characterize a rotating disc to highlight the residuals from this model in an illustrative way, we did not pursue the impact of these steps. But due to these considerations, we caution that the formal fit uncertainties on the best-fitting disc model parameters may be underestimated compared to the true uncertainty in these values even though the global disc is reasonable.

Identifying AGN-driven cold molecular outflows via CO (1–0) is challenging. Common methods rely on high-velocity ($>300\text{--}500 \text{ km s}^{-1}$) CO (1–0) emission or a known warm molecular outflow based on an observed P-Cygni profile in OH $\lambda 119 \mu\text{m}$ (Cicone

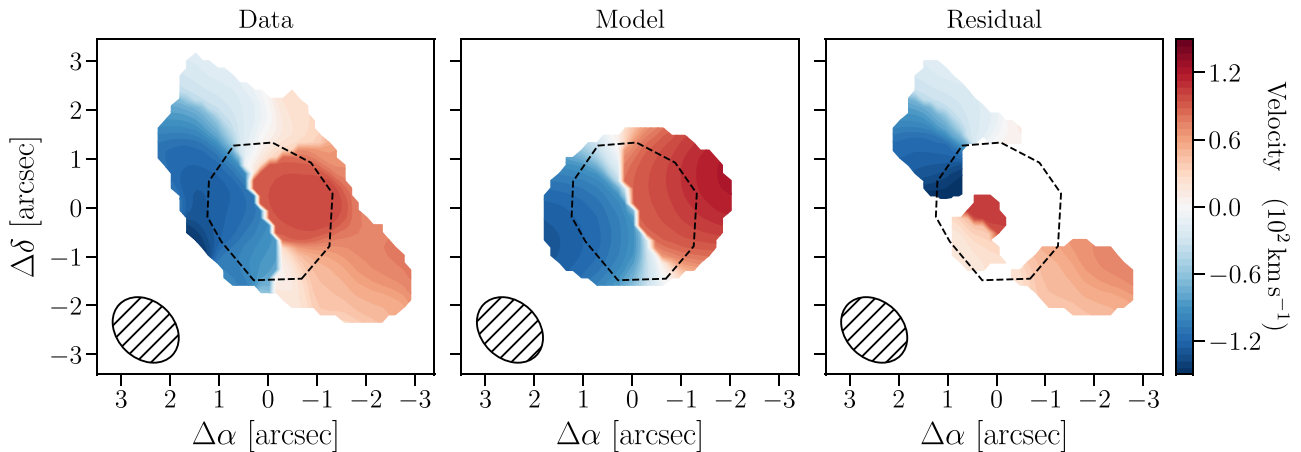


Figure 7. The line-of-sight velocity map for PG 1440 356 for the data (left), rotating disc model (middle), and residuals (right). The component isolated in the residuals has a slightly different axis than the rotating disc based on the location of the lowest velocity gas (see the end of Section 3.5.1), indicating it may be a warped disc or other component like an outflow. The dashed line encloses the sky area where the disc model was fit to the data, σ is taken to be the rms in this region, and only spaxels detected at greater than the 3σ level are shown. This map is analogous to a first moment map, but is calculated using a fitting procedure that isolates the peak of the emission line in each spaxel and yields a smoother map.

et al. 2014) or detailed kinematic modelling (e.g. Ramakrishnan et al. 2019). In the case of PG 1440 + 356, the OH $\lambda 119 \mu\text{m}$ line is observed to be only in emission so while a warm molecular outflow is possible, it is not confirmed. Since CO(1–0) is not emitted at high enough velocities to require an AGN-driven wind, the picture is not clear. The residuals from the rotating disc fit suggest that the kinematics are complex. However, distinguishing between different physical mechanisms including tidal streams, spiral arms, or stellar or AGN driven outflows would require higher quality data. Typical investigations that investigate fueling along spiral arms (Ramakrishnan et al. 2019) or barred spirals (Combes et al. 2013, 2014) are common in extremely nearby ($z < 0.01$) objects with high spatial resolution as good as 24 pc. Thus, it is not surprising that the current data cannot distinguish between flared discs, bars, spiral features, and outflows. Of these, the flared or warped disc or outflow appear most likely due to the slight mismatch and morphology in the kinematic residuals in Fig. 7.

Despite these limitations and caveats, we reiterate the utility in characterizing the cold molecular gas properties of type-1 AGN outflow hosts. To date, of order, 50 local galaxies have cold molecular outflows detected and mapped (Veilleux et al. 2020), but only 6 of these are type-1 AGN (Cicone et al. 2014; Fiore et al. 2017; Fluetsch et al. 2019; Ramakrishnan et al. 2019). Thus, characterizing the spatially resolved CO emission in four type-1 AGN known to host outflows in other phases constitutes a significant contribution to constraining their total outflow properties. Furthermore, cold molecular gas is a key ingredient in fueling both star formation and AGN activity. The interest in constraining the molecular gas properties of AGN hosts (Shangguan et al. 2020) reflects this. Observations of higher order CO transitions will reveal conditions in the host galaxies of these objects.

6 SUMMARY

In this work, we present new IRAM NOEMA interferometric observations of CO(1–0) in F07599 + 6508, Z11598 – 0112, F13342+3932, and PG1440 + 356. These are all type-1 AGN and ULIRGs known to host warm molecular, neutral, or ionized outflows and were observed in the spirit of characterizing the multiphase

outflow properties of nearby type-1 AGN. We performed a spectral decomposition of the CO(1–0) data cubes in order to determine the luminosity and molecular gas mass. In the context of existing multiwavelength observations, we discussed the morphology of CO(1–0) in each source. The new observations of PG 1440 + 356 show complex kinematics, which we revealed by subtracting a best-fitting rotating disc model.

Our results are as follows:

- (i) We detected CO(1–0) in all four sources, as expected given existing single-dish observations in all cases (Evans et al. 2001; Xia et al. 2012).
- (ii) In Section 3, we calculated CO(1–0) luminosities, L'_{CO} , in the range $8\text{--}11 \times 10^9 \text{ K km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^2$ and inferred molecular gas masses, $M(\text{H}_2)$, in the range $6.5\text{--}9 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$ assuming $\alpha = M(\text{H}_2)/L'_{\text{CO}} \sim 0.8 M_{\odot} (\text{K km s}^{-1} \text{ pc}^2)^{-1}$. These are presented in Table 2.
- (iii) The improved spatial (1–3 arcsec) and velocity (15–60 km s^{-1}) resolution over single-dish observations reveals new details in the data cubes. These are discussed in the context of existing multi-wavelength data in Section 3.1. In particular, these new observations facilitated updated CO(1–0) redshifts in F07599 + 6508, F13342 + 3932, and PG 1440 + 356. F13342 + 3932 is an interacting system with corresponding triple-peaked CO(1–0) line profile and spatial morphology.
- (iv) Although we do not detect a high-velocity outflow in Z11598 – 0112, we do detect redshifted material at 200–300 km s^{-1} that does not appear to be in rotation. It is at the level of the noise in the spectrum and falls just short of formal outflow detection criteria.
- (v) We modelled PG 1440 + 356 with a rotating disc and isolated kinematics not derived from a logarithmic potential in the CO(1–0) residuals. We placed limits on the CO(1–0) luminosity and molecular gas mass that can be in an outflow in PG 1440 + 356 but do not claim an outflow detection. These residuals may represent a warped disc, bar, spiral, or outflow.

These objects represent just a few nearby type-1 AGN hosting outflows in other gas phases. In the spirit of measuring their global outflow properties and constraining statistical samples of cold molecular gas outflows, future work should continue in this vein.

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APPENDIX A: SUPPLEMENTARY DATA VISUALIZATIONS

This appendix includes supplemental visualizations of the CO (1–0) data cubes. They were obtained directly from the data with minimal spectral or spatial modeling or decomposition. To obtain these data, the continuum was subtracted to isolate the CO (1–0) line emission and the data cube was cleaned. All visualizations are centred on the coordinates in Table 1 and the CO (1–0) redshift in Table 2. We discuss these in the context of further multiwavelength data for each object in Section 3.1.

In Fig. A1, we show channel maps for each object, which display the image of the object in each velocity bin indicated in white text over the detectable range. In Fig. A2, we show the integrated spectrum as a function of spatial position in the data cube. Here, a cell is made up of several spaxels from the original data cube for visual clarity. The spectrum shown in one cell is obtained from the spatially integrated spectrum of all the spaxels that contribute to it. Finally, in Fig. A3, we show the CO (1–0) spectrum integrated spatially over the entire data cube.

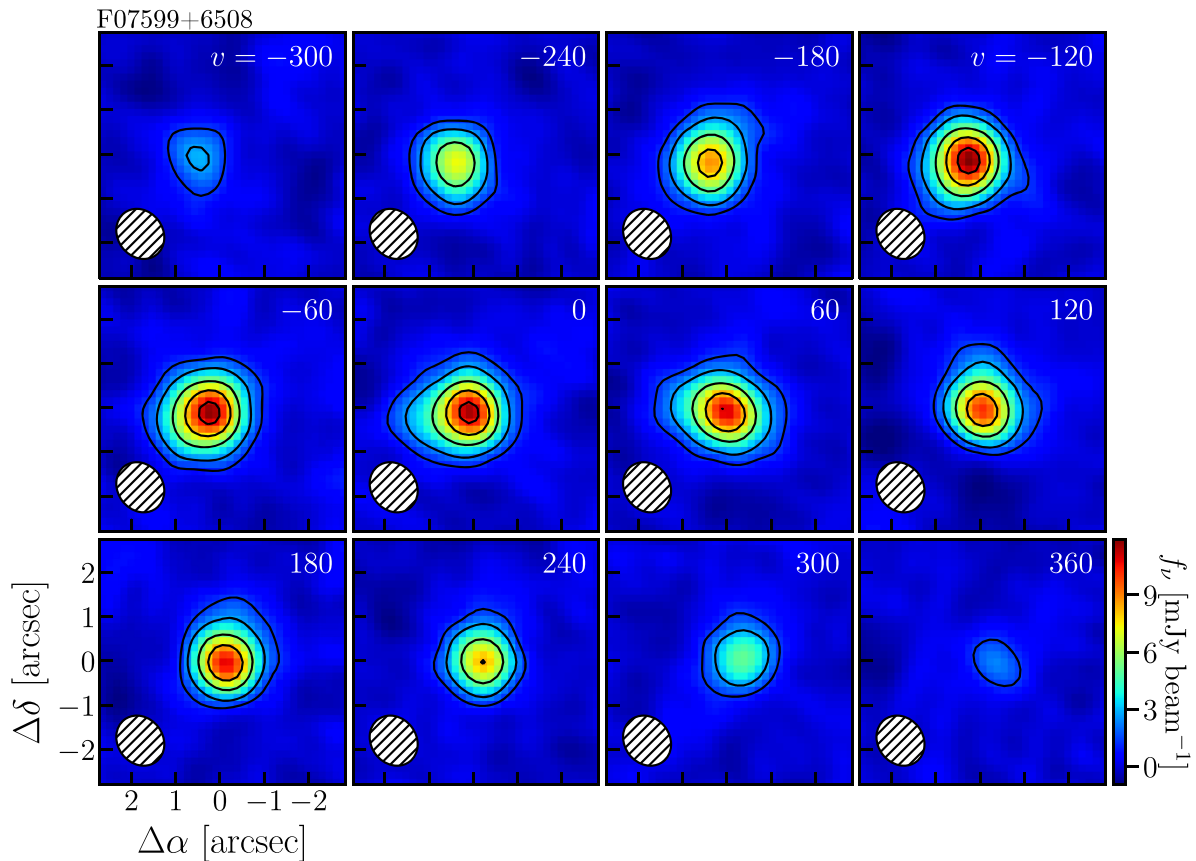


Figure A1. Channel maps, which show the image of the object in the velocity bin indicated by the km s^{-1} label located in the upper right corner of each panel. Contours are at 5σ , 10σ , 20σ , 30σ , 40σ , and 50σ , where σ is taken to be the measured noise in each channel. The beam is shown in the lower left corner and beam properties are listed in Table 1.

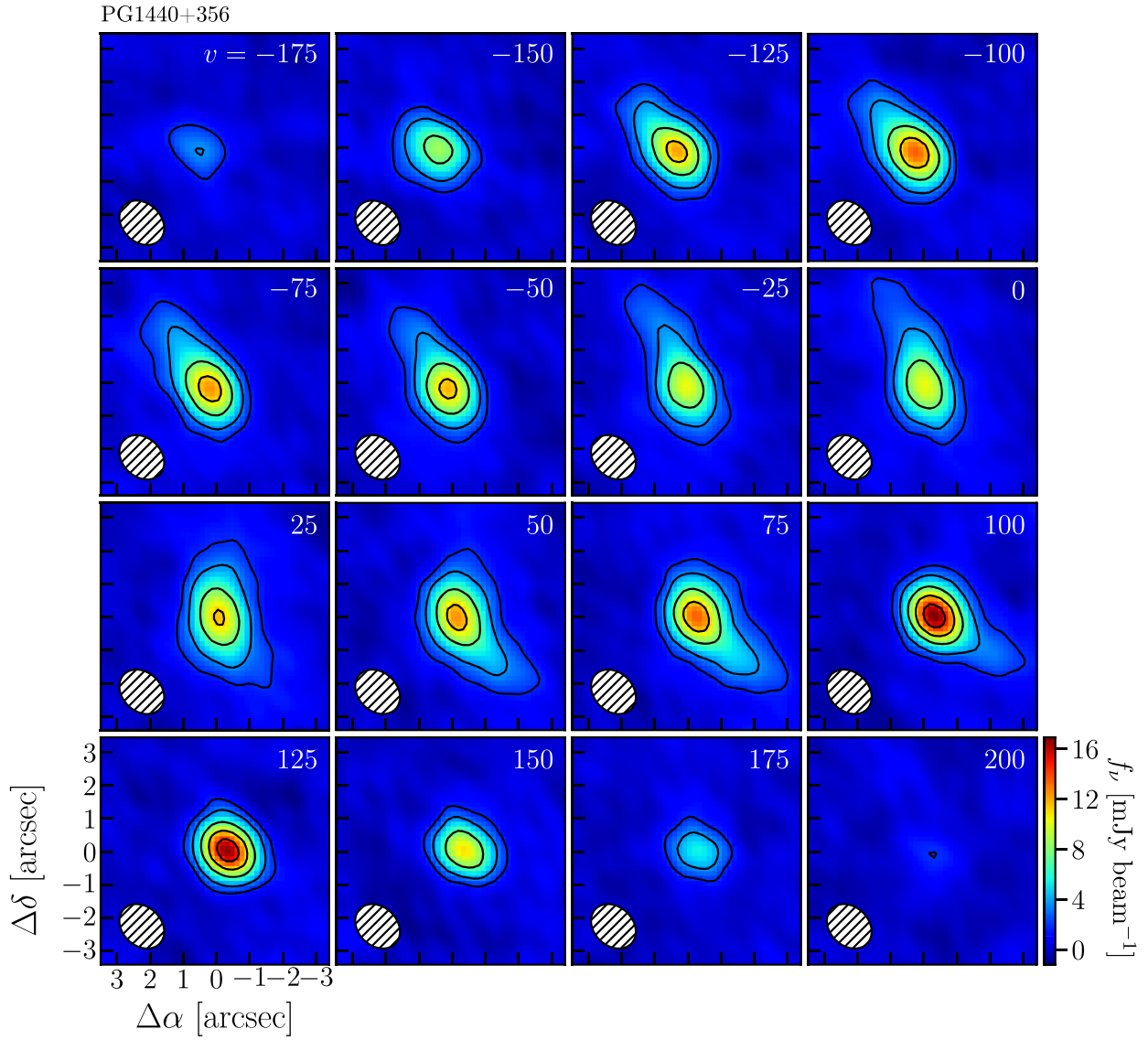
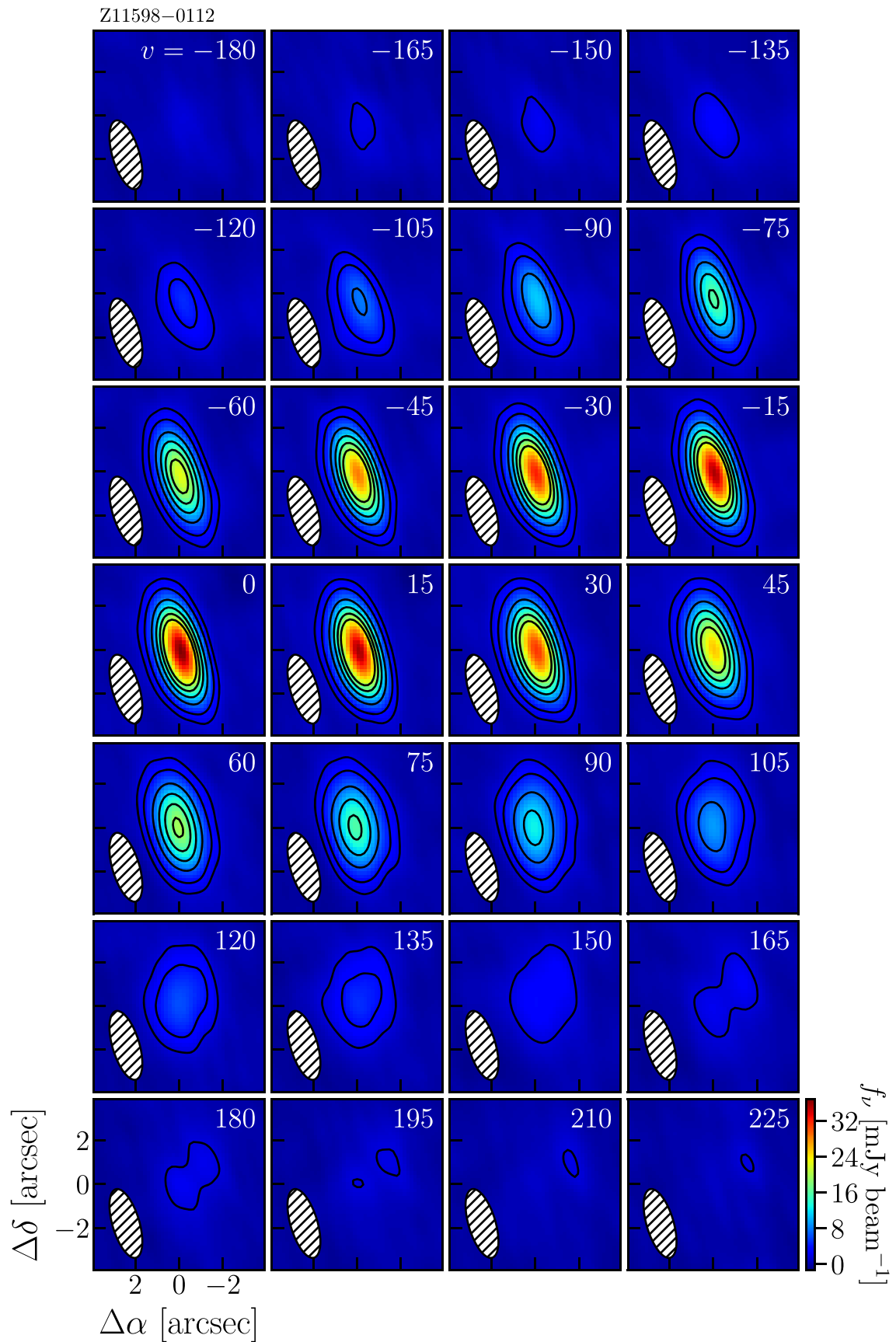
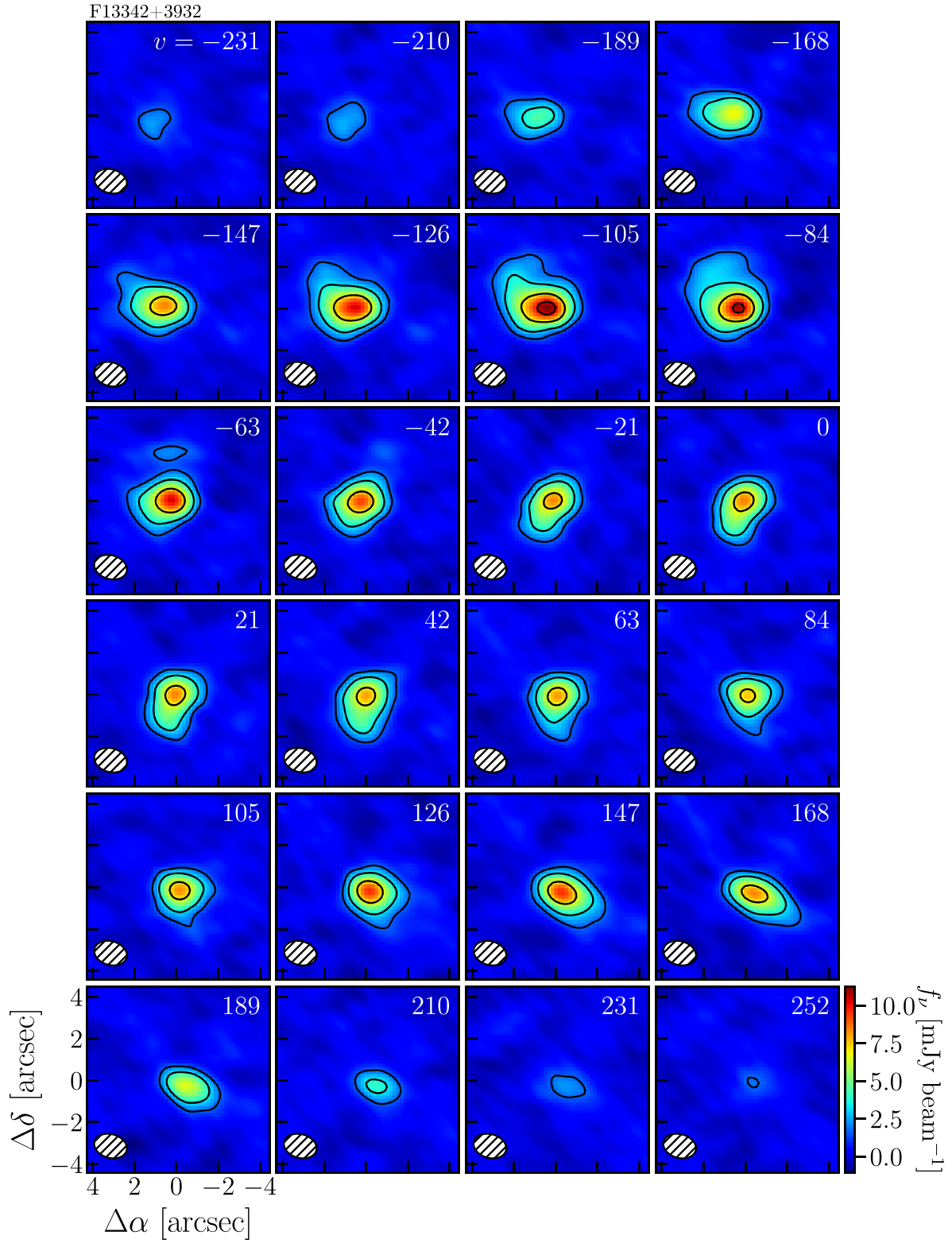


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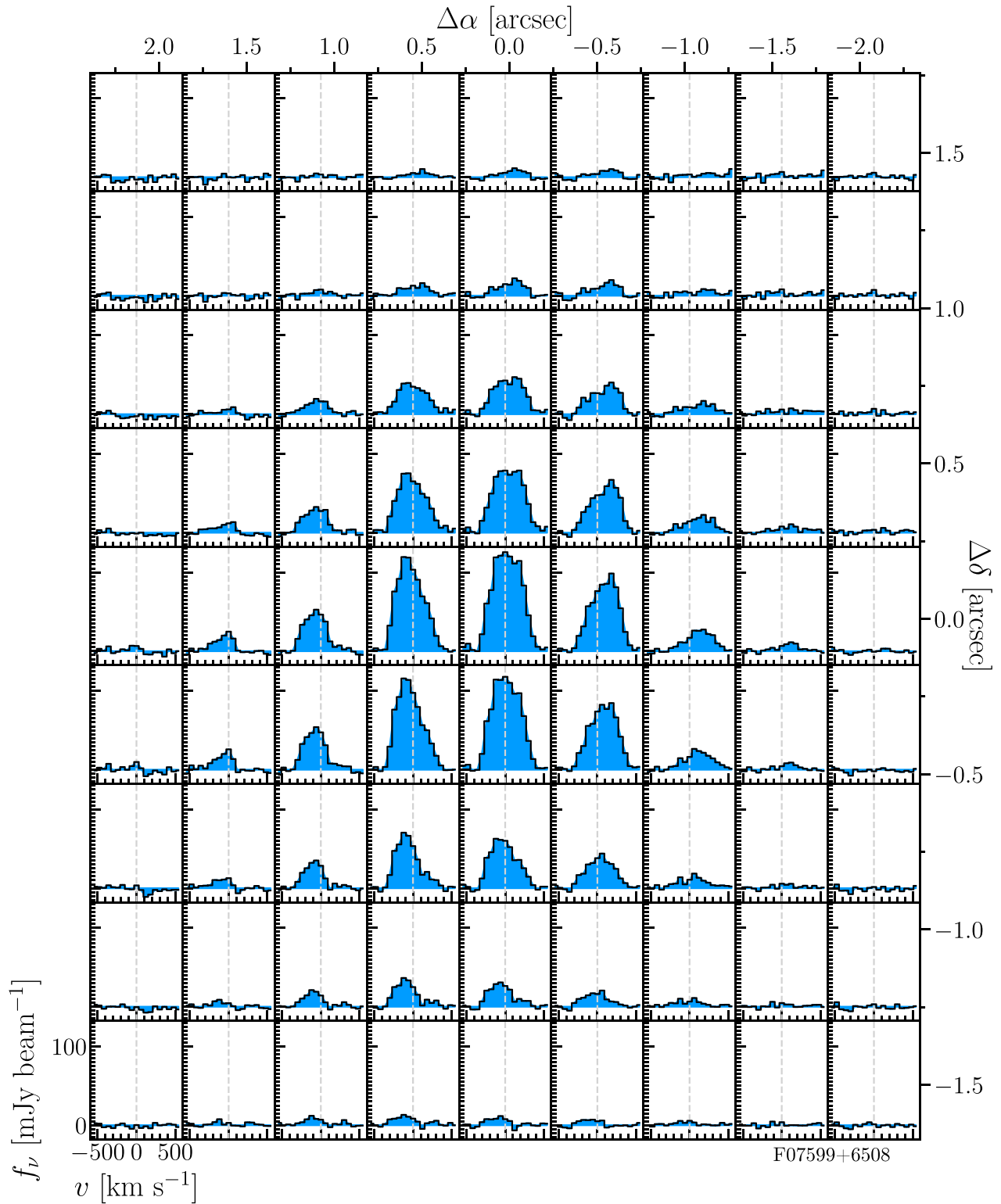


Figure A2. Spectral maps for each object. This figure shows the shape of the CO(1–0) emission-line profile (as indicated by the left and bottom axes) at different spatial positions (as indicated by the top and right axes) and in each case, the spectrum is integrated over the extent of the spatial panel. The dashed grey line shows the systemic velocity set by the redshift in Table 2.

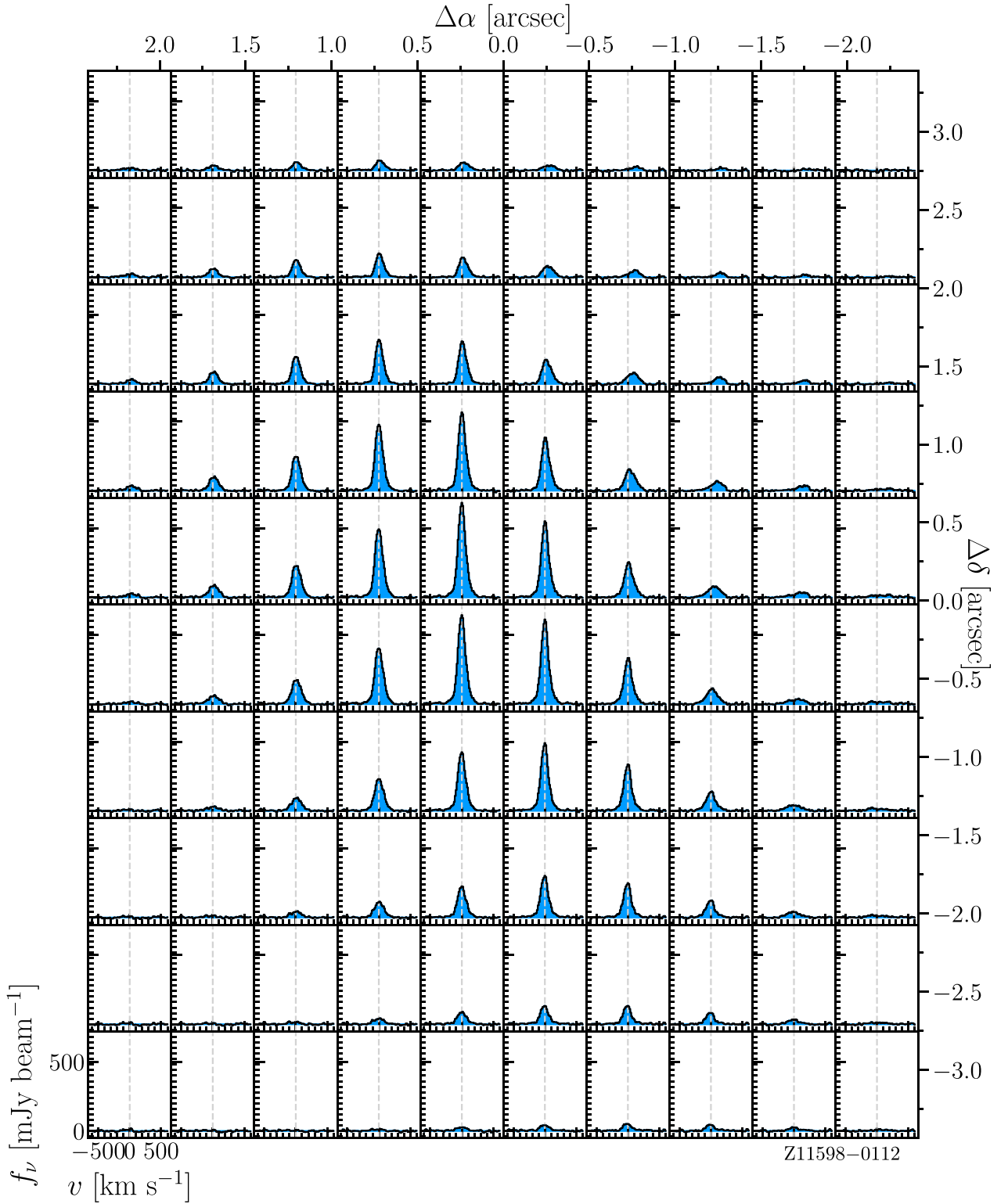
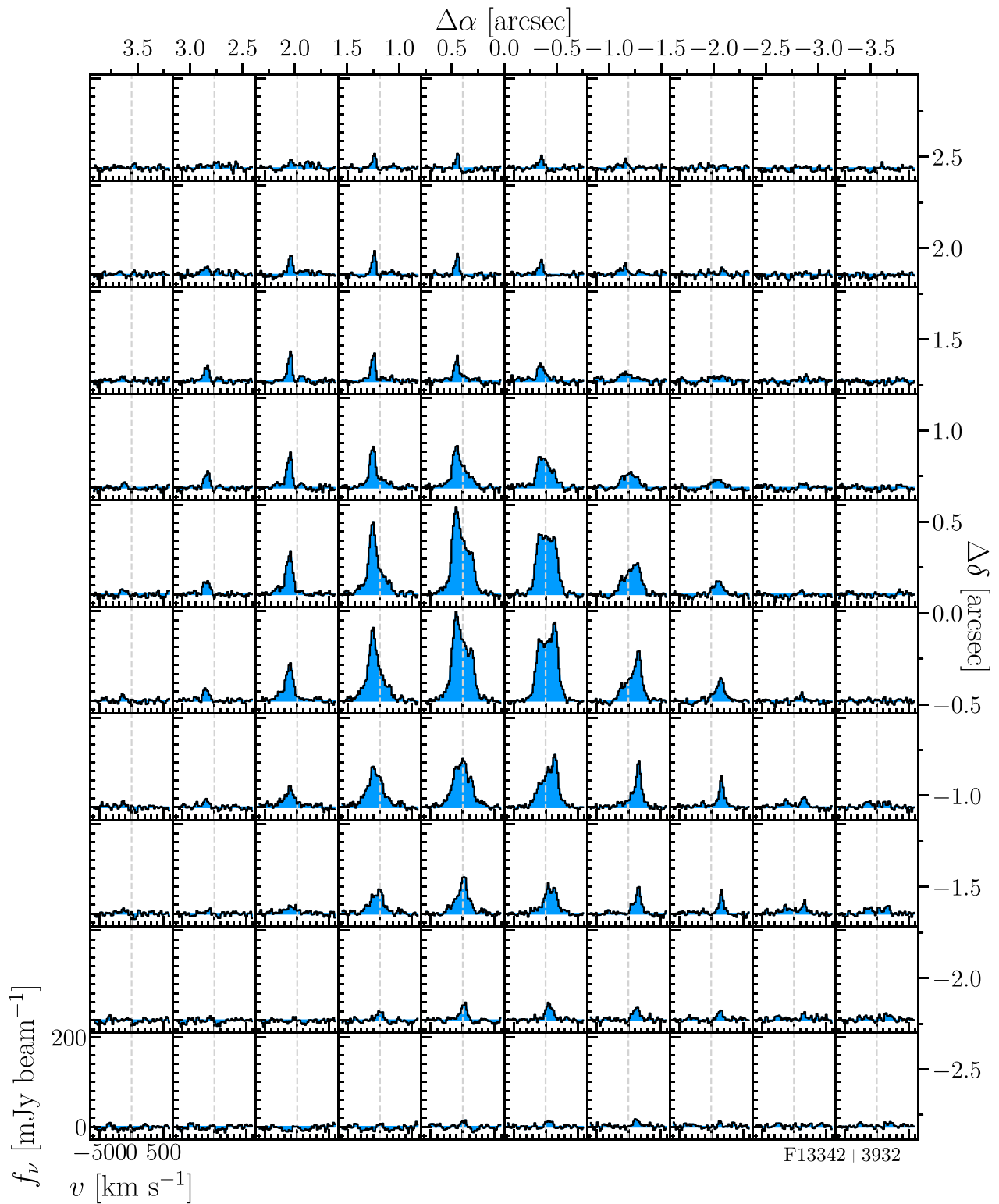


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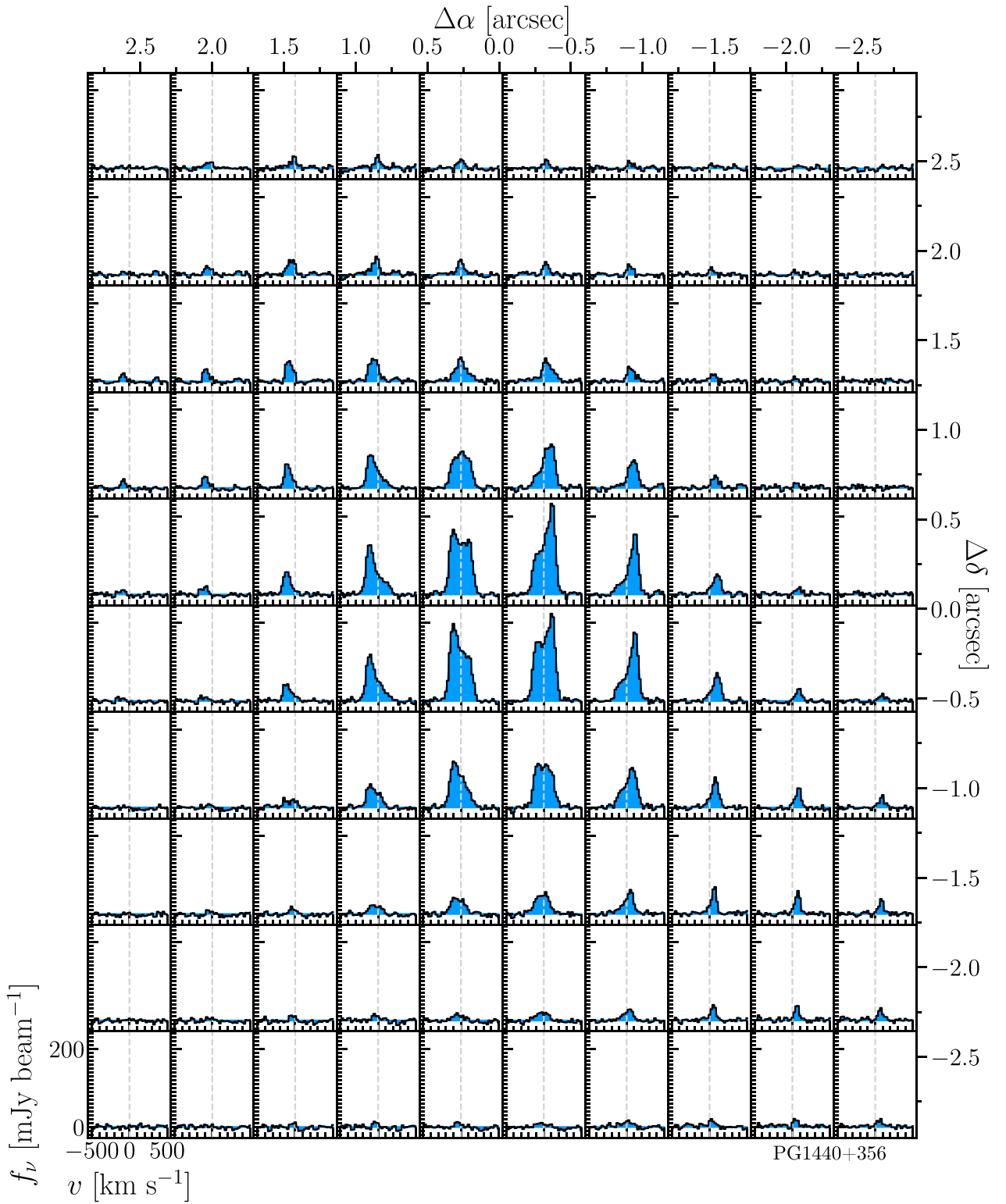


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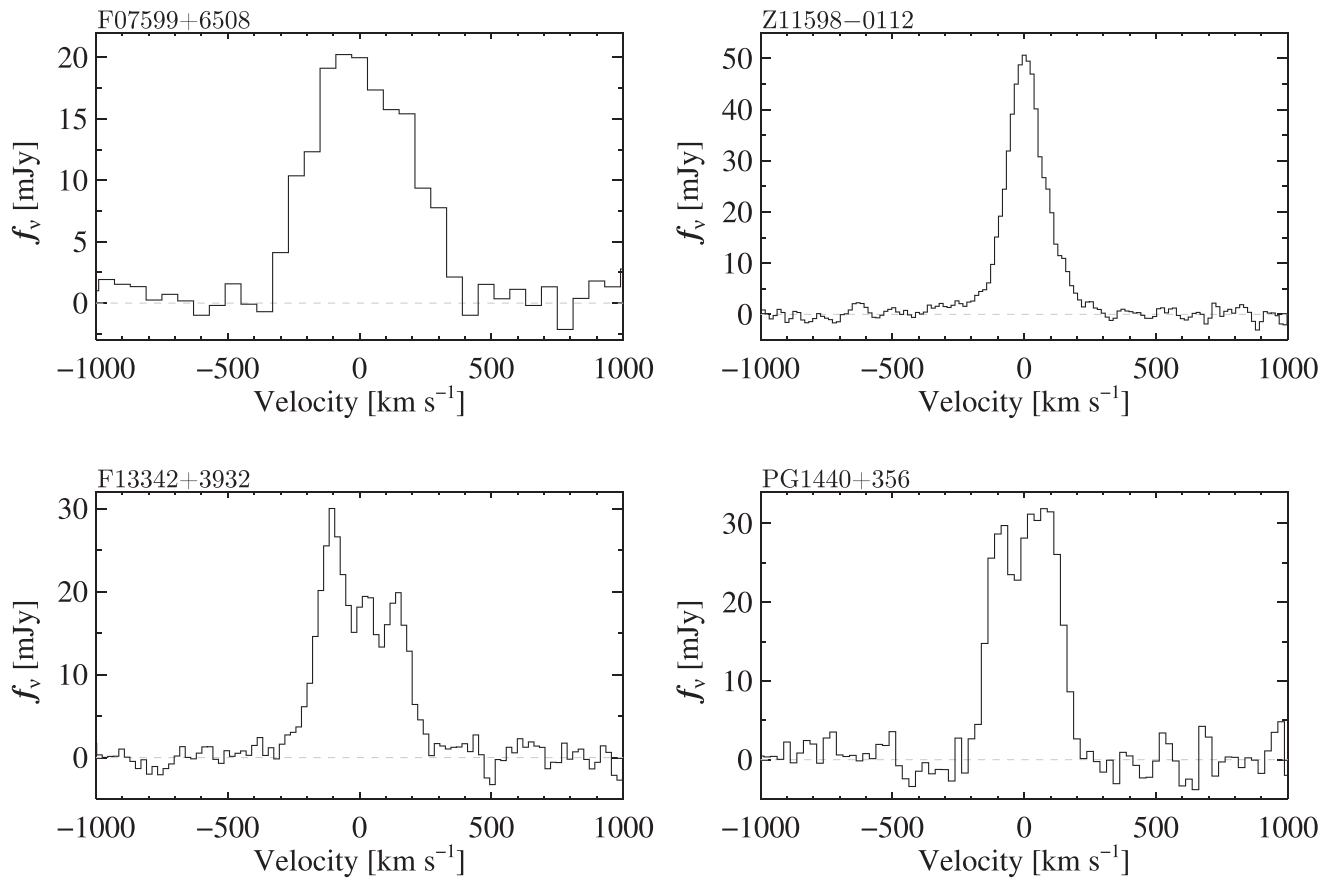


Figure A3. Spatially integrated spectra. Spatial integration was done over a 5×5 arcsec² box at the phase centre. The spectral resolution is 60, 15, 21, and 25 km s⁻¹ for F07599 + 6508, Z11598 – 0112, F13342 + 3932, and PG1440 + 356, respectively. The velocity scale was set with the CO (1–0) redshifts in Table 2 to obtain a systemic value near the centre of the line profile, despite multiple peaks in some objects.

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