

Gravitational lensing time-delays and implications for dark matter in galaxies

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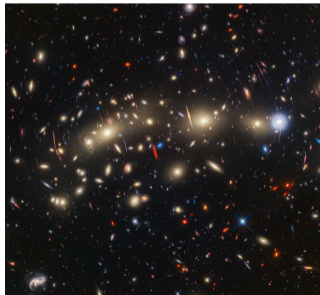
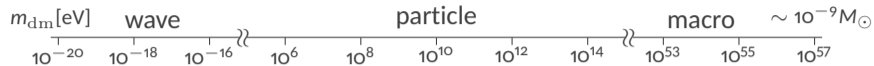
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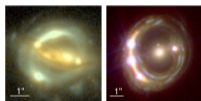
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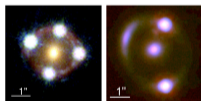


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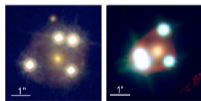
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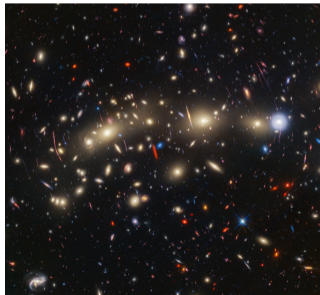
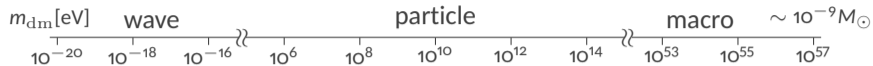
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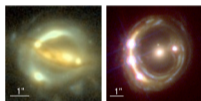
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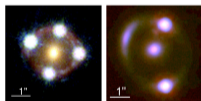
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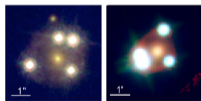
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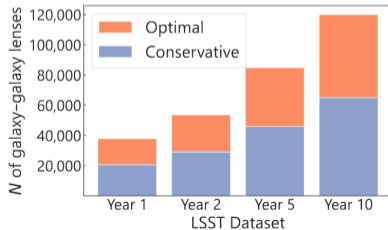
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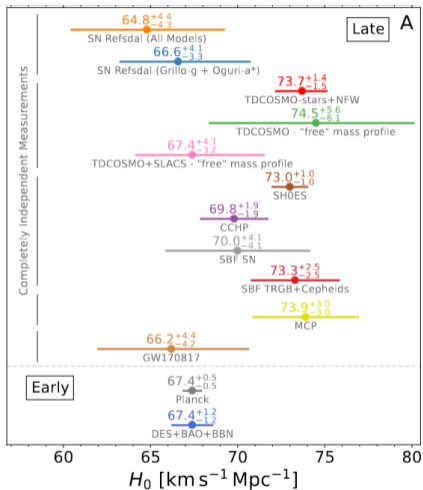
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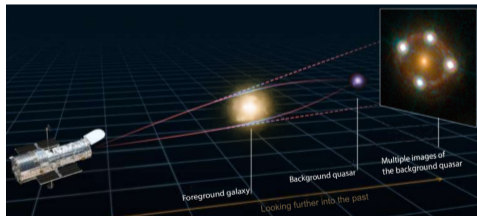
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Time-delay cosmography



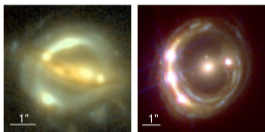
P.L. Kelly et al 2023 [2305.06367]

- Dimension-full observable, as of now primarily used for cosmology (H_0), but large error bars \Rightarrow degeneracies
- Can they be used to constrain DM profile of galaxies/clusters?

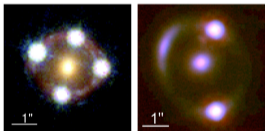


Martin Millon, Image from Hubble Space Telescope

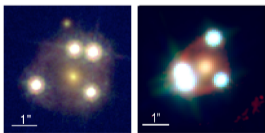
Degeneracies (or opportunities?)



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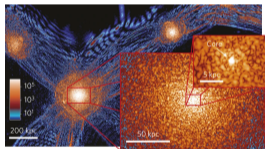


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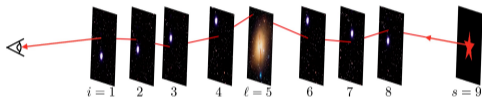
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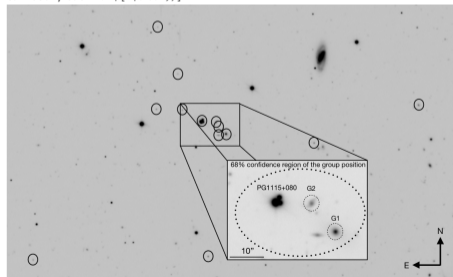


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- Unaccounted galactic density profile features (core? Nearby group?): **internal mass sheet degeneracy**
- Large scale structure “on the way”: **external mass sheet degeneracy** (weak lensing)



C. McCully et al 2014 [1401.0197]



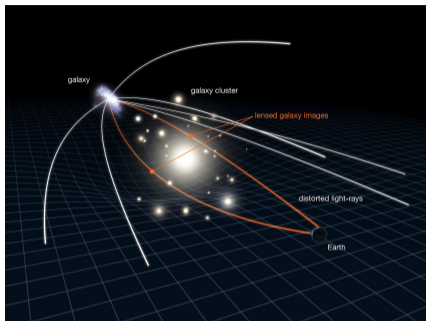
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- Small recap: time delay cosmography for H_0
- Large scale structures effects subtleties
- Internal Mass sheets, unaccounted cores (ULDM?)
- Can multiple source systems break degeneracies?

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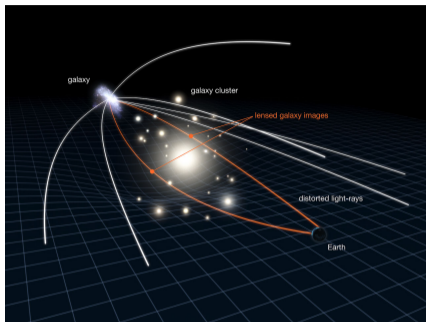
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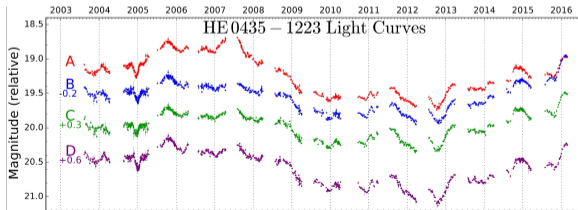
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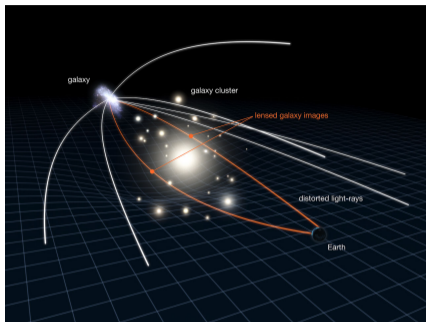


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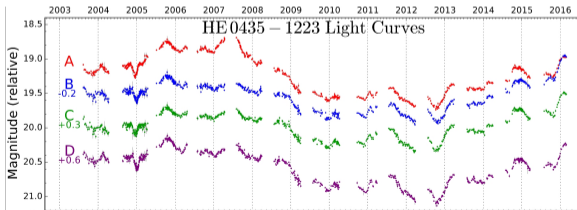
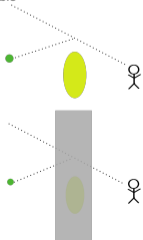
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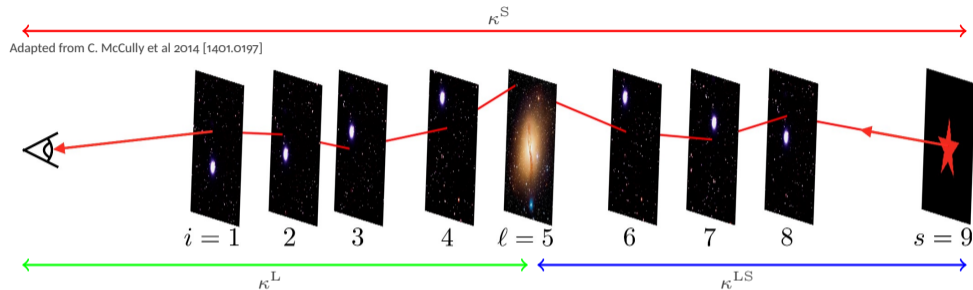
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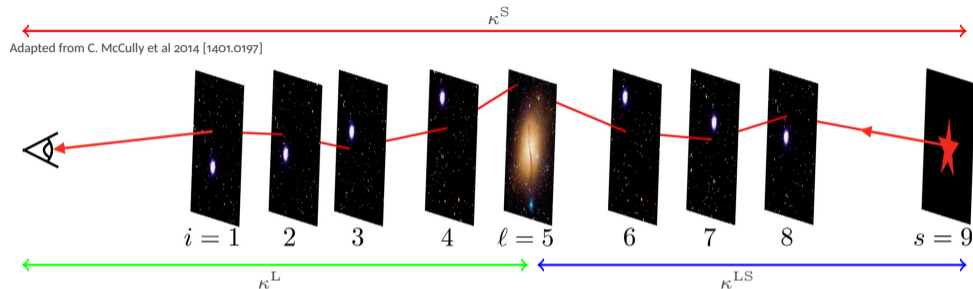


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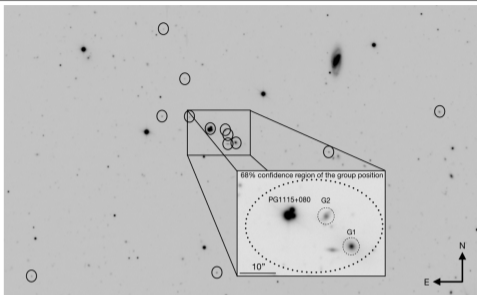


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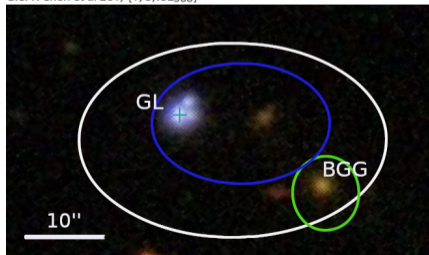
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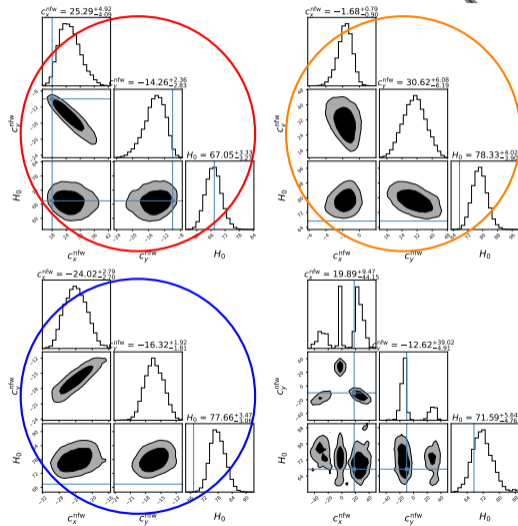
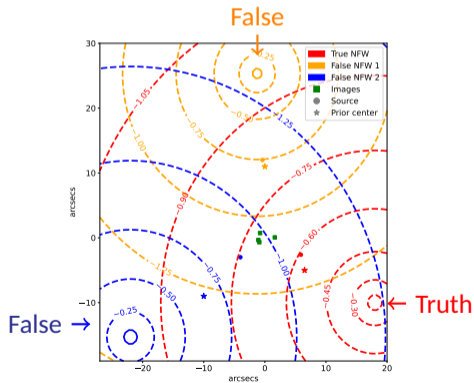


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- The sheet comes from mass components internal to the lens
- Lens galaxies often reside in groups
- PG1115 example: use kinematics to constrain mass and center of the halo position
- X-ray? Dependence on the quasar emission subtraction, not reliable

Discrete flexion degeneracy from a NFW group

- First order α expansion \sim convergence; second order: flexion F, G .
- $F \sim e^{i\phi} F_0(h), G \sim e^{3i\phi} G_0(h)$
- Falling into the false center yields a bias in H_0 (due to the different convergence inferred)

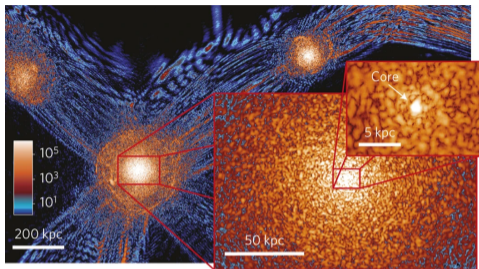




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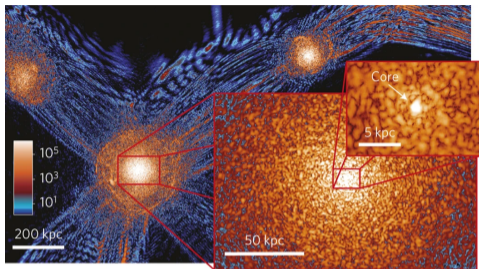
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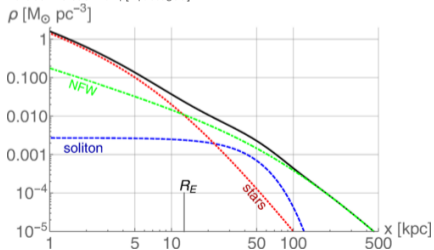
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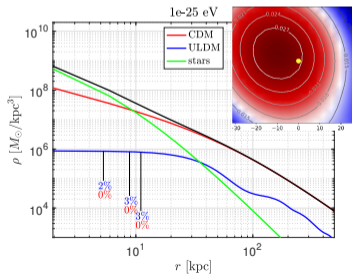
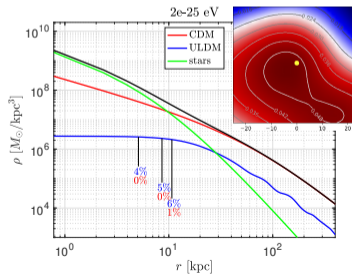
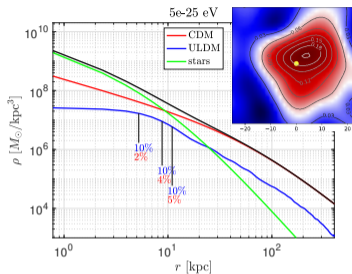
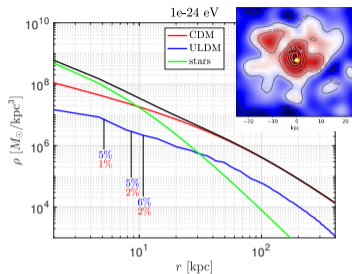
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AxionHography?



- Can you look for subdominant (order 10 %) component ULDM with time delay bias?
- (Non cosmological) simulations (we acknowledge E. Hardy and M. Gorghetto) of galactic environment suggests formation of core structure which can possibly be detected
- Need for more refined simulations to sharpen the theoretical prediction

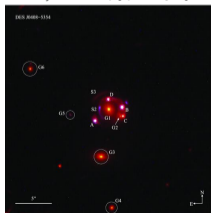
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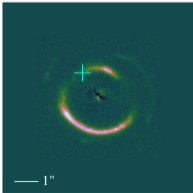
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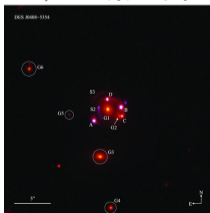
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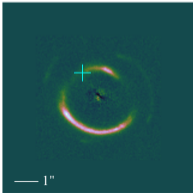
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Summary

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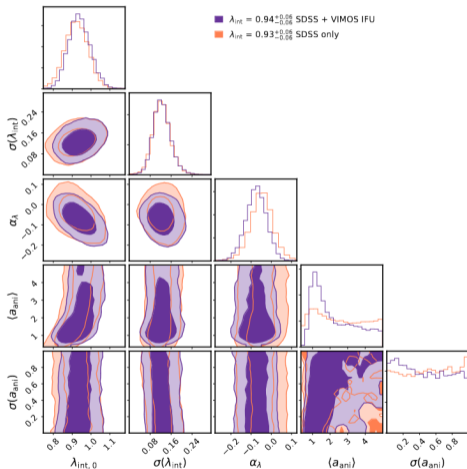


- As of now, primarily used as cosmology tool (most notably H_0)
- Challenge: modelling degeneracies; important to point out all the shortcomings to lensing collaborations, in order to achieve an *accurate* H_0 measurement.
- Promising! New data arriving, including precise stellar kinematics, new lensed systems etc.
- Effects from observer-lens and lens-source sightlines *must* be taken into account for a non-biased inference of time delays and non-biased stellar kinematics constraint.
- The presence of the group can yield additional degeneracies to the lensing reconstruction problem
- ULDM as a possible internal mass sheet (AxionHography?)
- With multi-source systems, you might spot internal profile mismodeling (e.g. cores).
- **With an H_0 prior, we can measure galactic features like large cores, difficult to spot otherwise, and better characterization of host groups and weak lensing field effects.**

Absorb in source coord. Absorb in external shear

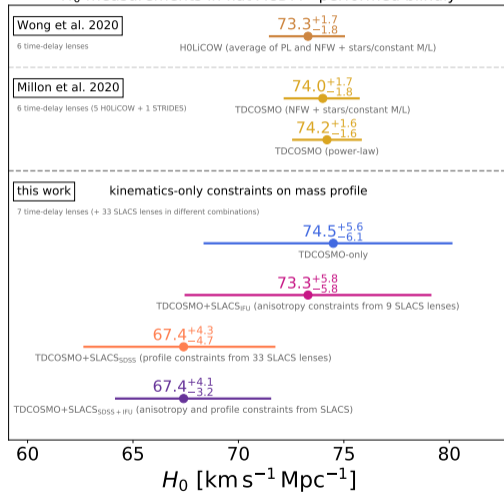
Absorb in MSD

- $\alpha(\theta) \sim \theta^0 + (\kappa + \text{shear})\theta + (F + G)\theta^2$, $F = F_0(h)e^{i\phi}$, $G = G_0(h)e^{3i\phi}$
- Inference constrains $\frac{F}{1-\kappa} = F_{\text{eff}}$, $\frac{G}{1-\kappa} = G_{\text{eff}}$
- In a false minimum, $G_{\text{eff}}^{\text{inference}} = G_{\text{eff}}^{\text{truth}}$, $F_{\text{eff}}^{\text{inference}} \rightarrow 0$.
- In power law, $\rho \sim \theta^{-\gamma}$, $\frac{F_{\text{eff}}}{G_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{\gamma-3}{\gamma+1}$, $G_{\text{eff}} = \frac{-\gamma^2+1}{3-\gamma} \frac{\kappa}{h(1-\kappa)}$
- Decrease $\frac{F_{\text{eff}}}{G_{\text{eff}}} \implies$ increase γ , keep constant $G_{\text{eff}} \implies$ decrease κ/h .
- Decrease $\kappa \implies$ bias up H_0 .



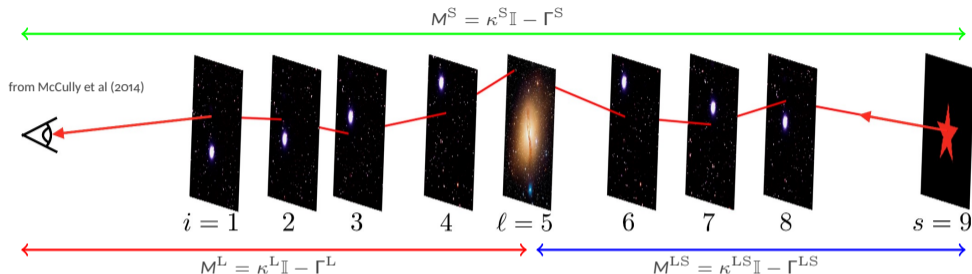
S. Birrer et al 2020 (TDCOSMO IV) [2007.02941]

H_0 measurements in flat Λ CDM - performed blindly



The multilens equation

The tidal approximation



Lens equation in tidal approximation

$$\vec{\beta} = (\mathbb{I} - M^S)\vec{\theta} - (\mathbb{I} - M^{LS})\vec{\alpha}((\mathbb{I} - M^L)\vec{\theta})$$

Degeneracy ("revised" MSD)

$$1 - M^R \mapsto \lambda_R(1 - M^R),$$

$$\vec{\beta} \mapsto \lambda_S \vec{\beta},$$

$$\vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta}) \mapsto \lambda_S \lambda_{LS}^{-1} \vec{\alpha}(\lambda_L^{-1} \vec{\theta}),$$

$$\Psi(\vec{\theta}) \mapsto \lambda_S \lambda_{LS}^{-1} \lambda_L \Psi(\lambda_L^{-1} \vec{\theta}).$$

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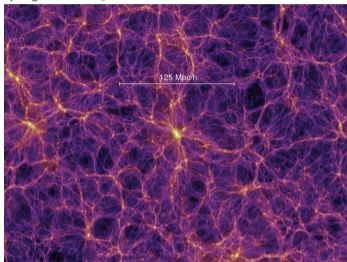
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external convergence removed from the modeling

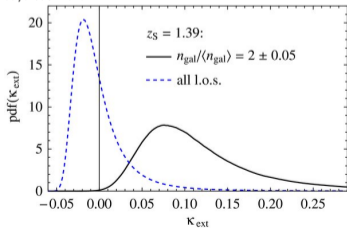
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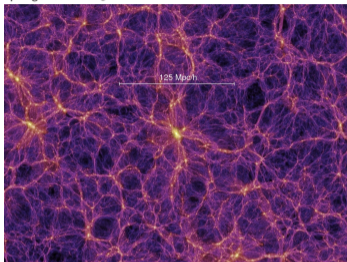
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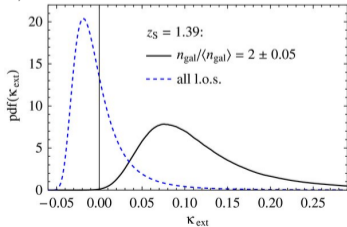
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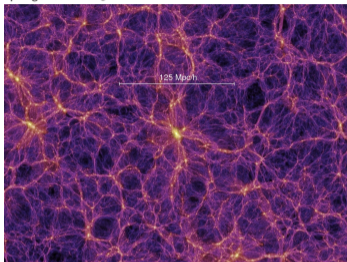
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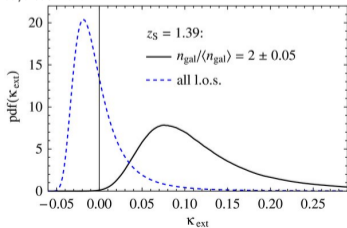
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Interpreting the Mass Sheet Degeneracy

Springer et al 2005



Suyu et al 2010



- Time delays do change!

$$\Delta t \rightarrow \lambda_S \lambda_{LS}^{-1} \lambda_L \Delta t$$

$$H_0 \rightarrow \lambda_S \lambda_{LS}^{-1} \lambda_L H_0$$

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$$\frac{H_0^{\text{inferred}}}{H_0^{\text{true}}} = \frac{1 - \kappa^{LS}}{(1 - \kappa^L)(1 - \kappa^S)}$$

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- “Real model” with sheets ($i = 0$ is first plane, or lens plane)

$$\beta_i = (1 - \kappa(z_i, 0))\theta - \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} (1 - \kappa(z_i, z_j))C_{ij}(\alpha_j(\beta_j) + \kappa_{cj}\beta_j), \quad C_{ij} := \frac{D_{S_{j+1}}D_{LS_i}}{D_{LS_{j+1}}D_{S_i}}$$

- Target model (we want to remove κ_{c0})

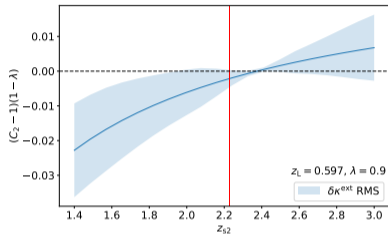
$$\tilde{\beta}_i = \theta - \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} \tilde{C}_{ji}(\tilde{\alpha}_j(\tilde{\beta}_j) + \tilde{\kappa}_{cj}\tilde{\beta}_j) \implies \begin{cases} \tilde{\beta} & = \lambda_i\beta, \quad \lambda_i = (1 - \kappa(z_i, 0) - C_{i0}\kappa_{c0}(1 - \kappa(z_i, z_0))(1 - \kappa(z_0, 0)))^{-1} \\ \tilde{C}_{ij} & = \lambda_{ij}C_{ij}, \quad \lambda_{ij} = (1 - \kappa(z_i, z_j))\lambda_i \\ \tilde{\alpha}_i(\beta) & = \alpha_i(\beta/\lambda_i) \\ \tilde{\kappa}_{c0} & = 0, \quad \tilde{\kappa}_{ci} = \kappa_{c0}/\lambda_i \text{ if } i > 0 \end{cases}$$

- Differential convergence effect encoded in C_{ij} rescaling, but κ_{ci} , $i > 0$, will not be rescaled away (but still it becomes a differential convergence factor)
- Schneider [1409.0015]: use careful κ_{ci} determination to mask away differential convergences as well, relevant if other planes need explicit modelling.

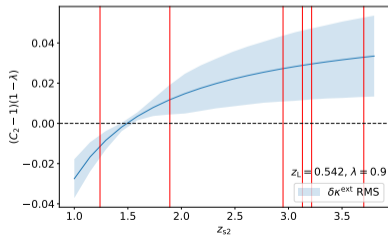
External convergence reinterpretation?



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Cluster MACS J1149.5+2223

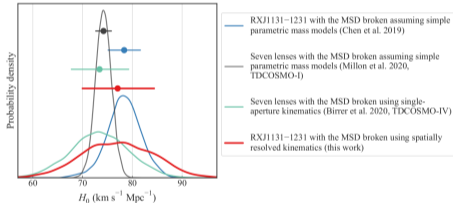


- If γ_{1i} is too large to be explained by external convergences, it might be an indication of a non-zero, unaccounted κ_c !
- $\gamma_{1i} = \delta\kappa_{1i}^S - \delta\kappa_{1i}^{LS} + (1 - \lambda)(1 - C_i)$
- Cluster here only as proof of concept, in the actual cluster model you should have λ terms for any substructure, and not just a single one

The real internal convergence profile, to be tested against kinematics

$$\kappa_{\text{gal}}(\theta) = (1 - \kappa^{\text{ext}})(\lambda\kappa_{\text{model}}(\theta) + (1 - \lambda)\kappa_{\text{s}}(\theta))$$

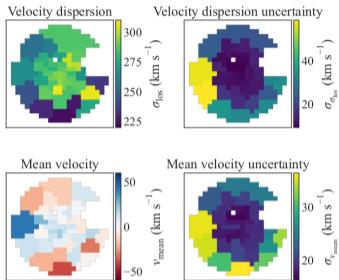
$$\Delta\tau = (1 - \kappa^{\text{ext}})\lambda\Delta\tau^{\text{model}} \implies H_0 = (1 - \kappa^{\text{ext}})\lambda H_0^{\text{model}}$$



$$\kappa_{\text{s}}(\theta) = 1 + \text{finite core corrections}, \quad 1 - \kappa^{\text{ext}} := \frac{1 - \kappa^{\text{S}}}{1 - \kappa^{\text{LS}}}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\tilde{\beta}}{1 - \kappa^{\text{S}} - \kappa_{\text{c}}} + \frac{(1 - \kappa^{\text{LS}})\tilde{\alpha}}{1 - \kappa^{\text{S}} - \kappa_{\text{c}}(1 - \kappa^{\text{LS}})}$$

$$\kappa_{\text{c}} =: (1 - \lambda)(1 - \kappa^{\text{ext}})$$

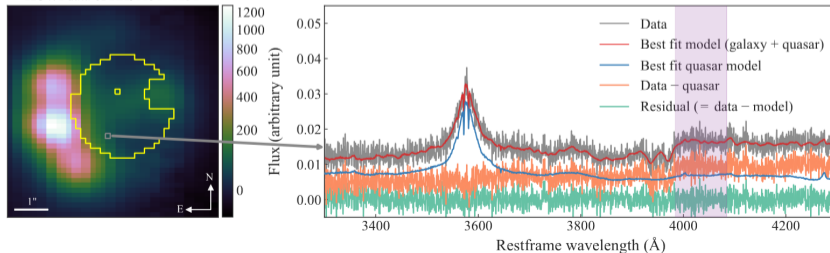


- Resolved kinematics with Keck Cosmic Web Imager (KCWI), to mitigate systematic effects
- New result for a single system:

$$H_0 = 77.1^{+7.3}_{-7.1} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

- Goal for the future: Spatially resolved velocity dispersion measurements for around 40 time-delay lens galaxies will yield an independent 2% H_0 measurement without any mass profile assumption

KCWI data of RXJ1131-1231





- For each pixel, compute the spectroscopic S/N ratio, to perform Voronoi binning (have the best spatial resolution given a S/N threshold).
- Fit the spectra in each Voronoi bin using pPXF and the X-shooter Spectral Library (XSL)
- Change template setup to estimate variance-covariance matrix (hopefully catching possible systematics)
- Solve the axisymmetric Jeans equation given an anisotropy profile and a gravitational potential. The gravitational potential is obtained from deprojecting κ_{gal} (they consider oblate and prolate case), which includes the finite core term.
- With this, infer a constraint on the possible mass of the lens \implies constraint on the mass sheet degeneracy, hence on the error bars on the inferred H_0 .

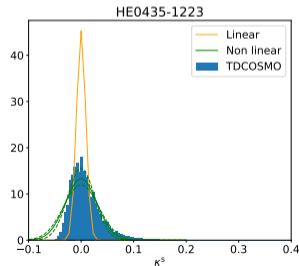
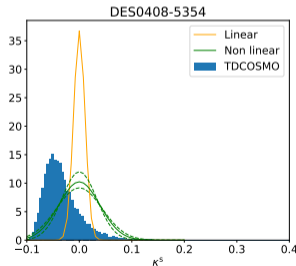
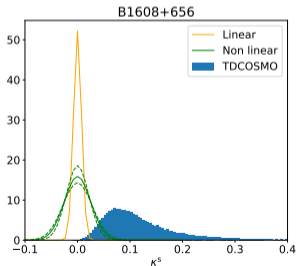
Computing differential convergences expectations



- $\kappa(\eta_i, \eta_j) = \int d\eta a_{ij}(\eta)\delta(\eta)$ **Lensing kernel**
- $\langle (\kappa(\eta_i, \eta_j) - \kappa(\eta_k, \eta_l))^2 \rangle = \int d\eta \int d\eta' a_{ijkl}(\eta, \eta') \int dk k^2 j_0(k(\eta - \eta')) P_\delta(k, \eta, \eta')$ **Unequal time power spectrum**
- In Zel'dovich approx., **Linear growth factor**

$$P_Z(k, \eta, \eta') = e^{-k^2 \Sigma^2 (D(\eta) - D(\eta'))^2 / 2} P_Z(k, \bar{\eta}), \quad D(\eta)D(\eta') = D^2(\bar{\eta}), \quad \Sigma^2 = \frac{1}{6\pi^2} \int dk P_{\text{lin}}(k)$$

- Ansatz $P(k, \eta, \eta') = e^{-k^2 \Sigma^2 (D(\eta) - D(\eta'))^2 / 2} P(k, \bar{\eta})$

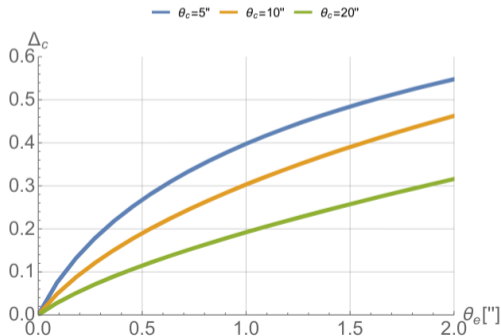


System	σ_{lin}	σ_{halofit}	σ^{TDCOSMO}	$\kappa_{\text{TDCOSMO}}^S$
DESo408-5354	0.0109	0.0390	0.0380	$-0.0397^{+0.0421}_{-0.0242}$
HEO435-1223	0.0088	0.0299	0.0342	$0.0040^{+0.0363}_{-0.0215}$
PG1115+080	0.0089	0.0303	0.0330	$-0.0054^{+0.0358}_{-0.0209}$
SDSS1206+4332	0.0092	0.0313	0.0410	$-0.0037^{+0.0402}_{-0.0215}$
B1608+656	0.0076	0.0251	0.0903	$0.1026^{+0.0949}_{-0.0451}$
RXJ1131-1231	0.0037	0.0110	0.0433	$0.0695^{+0.0480}_{-0.0260}$
WFI2033-4723	0.0087	0.0295	0.0660	$0.0591^{+0.0863}_{-0.0442}$

$$\sigma_{\text{los}}^2(\theta) = \frac{2G}{l(\theta)} \int_1^\infty \frac{dy}{y} K(y) l(y D_L \theta) M(y D_L \theta)$$

In internal MSD ($\lambda =: 1 - \kappa_c$),

$$M = (1 - \kappa_c) M^{\text{model}} + M_{\text{core}}, \quad M_{\text{core}}(r) \propto \kappa_c \frac{r^3}{r_c}, \quad \kappa_c \sim \rho_0 r_c$$



- A perfect MSD limit is not conservative! Used in TDCOSMO IV

$$\left(\frac{\sigma_{\text{los}}}{\sigma_{\text{los}}^{\text{model}}} \right)^2 = 1 - \kappa_c (1 - \Delta_c)$$

- Mass-anisotropy degeneracy: stellar kinematics and lensing probe two different profiles!