# PROBING THE DARK UNIVERSE WITH GRAVITATIONAL LENSING



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# GRAVITATIONAL LENSING



Abell 2218 (Draco) Cluster of galaxies 2 billion light years away, background galaxies 6 billion light years away

## **GEODESIC EQUATION**



$$\mathbf{t} = \frac{dx^a}{dl} \mathbf{e}_a$$

This is parallel transported along ray, so

$$\frac{dt_a}{dl} - \Gamma^b_{ac} t_b \frac{dx^c}{dl} = 0$$

We can rewrite this as

$$\left|\frac{dt_a}{dl} = \frac{1}{2}g_{cd,a}t^ct^d\right|$$

c.f. geometrical optics:

$$rac{d\mathbf{t}}{dl} = rac{
abla_{\perp} n}{n}$$

$$n=1-\frac{2\Phi}{c^2}$$

or  $\Psi$ +

### LENS GEOMETRY



 $ds^{2} = -(1+2\Psi)dt^{2} + (1+2\Phi)a^{2}\delta_{ij}dx^{i}dx^{j}$ 

For perturbed FRW, plus Born approximation,

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}(\boldsymbol{\xi}) = \frac{4G}{c^2} \int d^2 \boldsymbol{\xi}' \underbrace{\int dr'_3 \,\rho(\boldsymbol{\xi}'_1, \boldsymbol{\xi}'_2, r'_3)}_{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}(\boldsymbol{\xi'})} \frac{\boldsymbol{\xi} - \boldsymbol{\xi'}}{|\boldsymbol{\xi} - \boldsymbol{\xi'}|^2}$$

 $\vec{\theta} = \vec{\beta} + \vec{\alpha}$ 

Lens equation

#### RAYTRACING



Bend angle varies from place to place — gradient of angle gives distortions

## STRONG LENSING

Jacobian matrix:

 $\mathcal{A}_{ij} = \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \theta_j} \qquad \qquad \text{Source plane}$  Image plane

Magnification factor:  $\mu(\theta) = \frac{1}{\det \mathcal{A}(\theta)}$ 

So det A = 0 gives critical curves of high magnification

## MULTIPLE IMAGES



from Tom Collett





































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from Tom Collett



Abbott et al 16, LIGO

Connaughton et al 16, Fermi

Collett & Bacon 16:

Suppose photon signal after GW signal is associated with same event (now or future obs).

If emitted at same (or nearby) point in space-time, we get a constraint on ratio of speeds.

$$n_g = \frac{c_{\rm GW}}{c_{\gamma}}$$
  $1 - n_g^{-1} = 1.0^{+1.9}_{-0.8} \times 10^{-17}.$ 

But that assumes a lot. Rather, if multiply imaged: signals arrive at different times, having traversed different path lengths. Measure if time difference is same in each case.

$$\frac{c_{\rm GW}}{c_{\gamma}} = \frac{t_2 - t_0}{t_3 - t_1}$$

If GW speed is not equal to speed of light:



If GW speed *is* equal to speed of light:



# COMPOUND LENSING





$$oldsymbol{x}_
u = oldsymbol{x}_1 - \sum_{\mu=1}^{
u-1}eta_{\mu
u}oldsymbol{lpha}_\mu(oldsymbol{x}_\mu),$$

$$\beta_{\mu\nu} \equiv \frac{D_{\mu\nu}D_s}{D_\nu D_{\mu s}}.$$

Collett & Bacon 15

NB sensitive to geometry

### **COMPOUND LENSING**





## **CROSS-SECTION**



Collett & Bacon 15

### WITH ONE COMPOUND LENS...



SDSSJ0946+1006

Collett & Auger 14

# STRONG LENSING AROUND CLUSTER





## STRONG GRAVITATIONAL LENSING



#### Collett et al 17

# MODELLING



Collett et al 17

# MODEL PARAMETERS



Collett et al 17

# STRONG GRAVITATIONAL LENSING



#### Collett et al 17

# PREDICTIONS







# WEAK DISTORTIONS



## **GRAVITY TESTS**

 $ds^2 = -(1+2\Psi)dt^2 + (1+2\Phi)a^2\delta_{ij}dx^i dx^j$  Newtonian guage

Lensing feels Ψ+Φ

Mass generates potential  $\Psi$  (Poisson)

Non-relativistic objects respond to  $\Psi$ 

## **TESTING GENERAL RELATIVITY**

#### We can examine

$$\frac{\Phi}{\Psi} = \eta(a, k),$$
$$k^2 \Psi = -4\pi G a^2 \mu(a, k) \rho \Delta,$$

Calculate lensing and RSD models with corresponding modified expansion and growth.

## **GRAVITY CONSTRAINTS**

#### CFHTLens + SDSS DR7 Song et al I I

#### Zhao et al 12





$$\mu = 1 + \frac{ca^s k_H^n}{1 + 3ca^s k_H^n}$$

$$k^{2}\Psi = -4\pi Ga^{2}\mu(k,a)\rho\delta,$$
  
$$k^{2}(\Phi - \Psi) = 8\pi Ga^{2}\Sigma(k,a)\rho\delta,$$

## **TESTING GRAVITY WITH CLUSTERS:**

Chameleon mechanism: fifth force is screened in dense environments.

 $\rho_{\rm g}$ 

# CHAMELEON TESTS WITH COMA



# CHAMELEON WITH XMM CLUSTERS

Lensing data from CFHTLens wide; median z=0.75

X-ray data from XMMLSS survey

52 clusters detected in both datasets; 0.1 < z < 0.8,  $0.3 < T_X$ (keV) < 11

Make X-ray temperature bins (2 or 3)

Stacked profiles made on X-ray centroids, removing 4 sigma outliers in X-ray surface brightness images.

## CHAMELEON WITH XMM CLUSTERS

#### Wilcox et al 2015



Next: Dark Energy Survey - 4 times as many clusters with X-ray data in SV alone.

# "BEYOND HORNDESKI" GRAVITY



Very general, well-behaved theory of gravity

One extra field

## **BEYOND HORNDESKI**



#### FIRST CONSTRAINT ON Y2



Wilcox et al 16

As before, fit X-ray and lensing profiles for different values of  $\Upsilon_1$  and  $\Upsilon_2$ 

# SUMMARY

Lensing probes a combination of the matter distribution and geometry.

Strong lensing can

- constrain gravitational wave speed,
- make precise constraints of dark energy,
- probe dark matter physics;

Weak lensing can

- make useful maps of projected total matter density,
- measure cosmological parameters using shear statistics,
- constrain gravity properties;

Amongst other things!