Spectrophotometric observations of Gravitationally Lensed Supernovae

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QSO +Galaxy lens

Gravity in action: *strong lensing*





Images take *different time to arrive* to us *depending on absolute distance scale* Refsdal (1964): *Use SNe* as clocks to measure "time-delay", *measure Hubble constant!*



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ABSTRACT

Time-delay cosmography of lensed quasars has achieved 2.4% precision on the measurement of the Hubble Constant, H_0 . As part of an ongoing effort to uncover and control systematic uncertainties, we investigate three potential sources: 1- stellar kinematics, 2- line-of-sight effects, 3- deflector mass model. To meet this goal in a quantitative way, we mimic closely the H0LiCOW/SHARP/STRIDES procedures (i.e., TDCOSMO), and we find the following. First, stellar kinematics cannot be a dominant source of error or bias given current uncertainties. Second, we find no bias arising from incorrect estimation of the line-of-sight effects. Third, we show that elliptical composite (stars + dark matter halo), power-law, and cored power-law mass profiles have the flexibility to yield a broad range in H_0 values. However, the TDCOSMO procedures to model the data with both composite and power-law mass profiles are informative. If the models agree, as we observe in real systems owing to the "bulge-halo" conspiracy, H_0 is recovered precisely by both models. If the two models disagreed, as in the case of some pathological models illustrated here, the TDCOSMO procedure would either be able to discriminate between them through the goodness of fit, or account for the discrepancy in the final error bars provided by the analysis. This conclusion is consistent with a reanalysis of the TDCOSMO (real) lenses: the composite model yields $H_0 = 74.2^{+1.6}_{-1.6}$ km s⁻¹ Mpc⁻¹, while the power-law model yields $74.0^{+1.7}_{-1.8}$ km s⁻¹ Mpc⁻¹. In conclusion, we find no evidence of bias or errors larger than the current statistical uncertainties reported by TDCOSMO.



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Strongly lensed Supernovae:

- Wide field time-domain surveys (ZTF, LSST) sample enough volume to find gravitationally lensed SNe (gLSNe)

- Follow-up with 10-m class telescopes over *a few weeks* can yield high-precision measurements of H_0 + it can probe a few more things: sub-structures in inner core of lensing galaxies, mass fraction in compact objects, dust content in lens ISM, ...



First resolved strongly lensed SNIa



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Strongly lensed Supernovae:

- How do we find them?
- Where does spectroscopy come in?



Much brighter than normal SNIa at $z \sim 0.4$: >30 σ outlier!







Something you *cannot* do with lensed QSOs: get a clean shot at the lens after the SN faded!



2016



2018



Difference



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Surprisingly different brightness, in spite of symmetry:

 Differential dimming by dust in the lens +
evidence for sub-structures milli/microlensing some of the images



The MAAT@GTC era: discoveries from ZTF-II & LSST

Huge search volumes!



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 $z_s = 1.63, z_l = 0.60$

 $z_s = 0.25, z_l = 0.07$

1a

Simulated strongly lensed SNe discovered by ZTF-II:

Should find a few (1/4 Ia's)

Nearly 400 with **LSST**!



 $z_s = 0.54, z_l = 0.33$

2p

 $z_s = 0.84, z_l = 0.12$

2n

 $z_s = 1.01, z_l = 0.37$

 $N_{\rm img} = 4$

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2n

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The spatially resolved systems we can study with MAAT are the ones which are best for measuring H_0 !











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