A MULTI-WAVELENGTH ANALYSIS OF THE MATTER DISTRIBUTION IN CLUSTERS OF GALAXIES

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Abstract. We combine the X-ray data and the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect with the constraints from gravitational lensing for an intermediate redshift cluster to check the consistency of various mass estimates and the validity of the assumption of hydrostatic equilibrium, and to deduce the properties of the intra-cluster gas, the profile of the cluster potential and H_o .

1. Introduction

Recent developments in the field of gravitational lensing have made detailed and independent analyses of the mass distribution of clusters of galaxies possible. The traditional tracers of the cluster potential are the cluster galaxies and the intracluster gas. By assuming that the cluster is in virial equilibrium, the observed velocity dispersion of the member galaxies can be used to deduce the cluster mass. The intracluster gas is observed either through their thermal X-ray emission or the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect (SZ effect; Syunyeav and Zel'dovich 1981). The cluster potential can then be deduced from the X-ray surface brightness and temperature and/or the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect by assuming that the gas is in hydrostatic equilibrium. Unlike these two methods, gravitational lensing effects are independent of the dynamical state of the cluster since the distortions of the background galaxies only depends on the gravitational field of the cluster. It has been shown that the position of a giant arc constrains very well the mass interior to the radius of the arc (Kochanek 1992), and at the same time the weak distortion of the background galaxies provides a good estimate of the shape of the cluster potential in the outer parts of the cluster (Kaiser and Squires 1993). In this paper we will combine the various in-

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dependent methods of cluster mass analysis for a medium redshift cluster. We will check the validity of the assumption of hydrostatic equilibrium and then combine the lensing constraints with the X-ray data and the SZ effect to constrain the cluster potential and deduce H_0 .

2. A Multi-wavelength Analysis of A2218

A2218 is an Abell richness class 4 cluster at a redshift of z=0.175 with a velocity dispersion of 1370_{-120}^{+160} kms⁻¹ (Le Borgne et al. 1992). There has been a large amount of data collected for the cluster in the optical, X-ray and radio wavelengths by various groups. It has a X-ray luminosity of $L_x = 1.01 \times 10^{45}$ ergs/s in the 2-10 keV energy range and a temperature of 8×10^7 K measured by the *Ginga* satellite¹ (McHardy et al. 1990, David et al. 1993). There are gravitational lensing arcs found in this cluster, both around the central cD and the bright galaxy of a smaller clump (Pello et al. 1992). Furthermore, A2218 is one of the few clusters where the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich decrement has been successfully measured (Jones et al. 1993; Figure 3). Given the wealth of data available on this cluster, we can obtain a better understanding of the dynamical state and/or properties of the intra-cluster medium, as well as the matter distribution and H_0 than most other clusters available.

Both the X-ray surface brightness distribution and the SZ effect can be linked to the cluster gravitational potential via the equation of hydrostatic equilibrium. If the intracluster gas is in hydrostatic equilibrium then the gas density is given by $\rho_g/\rho_0 = \exp(-\frac{\mu m_p}{kT_g}[\phi(r) - \phi_0])$, where we have also assumed that the gas is isothermal for simplicity. Thus the X-ray surface brightness is given by

$$S_x(R) \propto \int_R^{r_t} \exp\left(-\frac{2\mu m_p}{kT_g} [\phi(r) - \phi_0]\right) \Lambda(T_g) \frac{rdr}{\sqrt{r^2 - R^2}}$$
(1)

and the SZ effect is given by

$$\Delta T_r(R) \propto \int_R^{r_t} \exp\left(-\frac{\mu m_p}{kT_g} [\phi(r) - \phi_0]\right) T_g \frac{r dr}{\sqrt{r^2 - R^2}} \tag{2}$$

where ϕ is the cluster potential, T_g is the gas temperature, $\Lambda(T_g)$ is the temperature dependent emissivity. The cluster potential ϕ is constrained by the amount of shear produced on the background galaxies by the cluster. In the case where there is a giant arc at the center of the cluster, the projected mass within the arc is well determined and thus the central parts

¹Preliminary results from ASCA also show that the gas temperature is ~ 6.8keV and that the gas clearly extends to 4 Mpc (M. Bautz 1994)

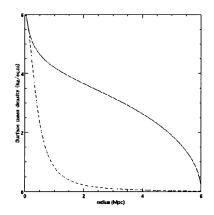


Figure 1. The cluster surface mass density in units of kg/m². The solid curve gives the surface mass density corresponding to the potential that fits all the X-ray and SZ effect data. The dashed curve gives the surface density profile corresponding to $[1 + (r/r_c)^2]^{-1}$ but normalized at the arc radius to fit the constraint imposed by the arc. This functional form was found to fit the galaxy number density distribution (Dressler 1976).

of the potential is constrained through Poisson's equation. In a spherically symmetric cluster, the position of the giant arc corresponds to the locus of the critical circle. The mean surface density inside the critical circle of radius b is given by the critical surface density (Blandford & Kochanek 1988), i.e.

$$\Sigma(b) = \Sigma_{crit} = \frac{c^2}{4\pi G} \frac{D_s}{D_l D_{ls}}$$
(3)

where D_s, D_l and D_{ls} are the distance to the source, to the lens and the distance between the lens and the source. In the case of A2218, one of the large arcs (object number 359 in Pello et al. 1992; see also Kneib et al. this proceeding) has a spectroscopic redshift of z = 0.702. As pointed out in Miralda-Escudé & Babul (1995; MB here after), there is another object in the field (object number 328 in Le Borgne *et al.* 1992) which is very likely another image of the arc (number 359). The critical line should thus intersect the arc which puts the critical radius at 20.8'' (or 0.08 Mpc).

Our aim here is to see if we can find a potential profile that would fit the strong lensing constraint, X-ray data and the SZ effect. In order to compare with the observed data we need to simulate both the X-ray and radio observations. In the case of the X-ray data we need to convolve the ROSAT PSF with the X-ray surface brightness deduced from equation (1) (see Figure 2). Similarly, we multiply the SZ radio surface brightness deduced from equation (2) by the primary beam of the Ryle telescope and Fourier transform the resulting profile to obtain the SZ flux density expected at various baseline lengths of the interferometer (see Figure 3). The

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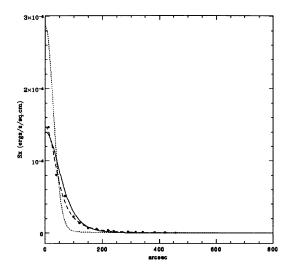


Figure 2. X-ray surface brightness profile. The filled circle is the observed surface brightness from ROSAT PSPC (MB). The solid curve shows the simulated X-ray surface brightness for a cluster potential given in Figure 1 with $T_g = 8 \times 10^7$ K. The dotted curve corresponds to the best fit for the cluster density profile of Model 1 given in MB for $T_g = 8 \times 10^7$ K and the dashed curve corresponds to the best fit for Model 1 in MB with $T_g = 2 \times 10^8$ K.

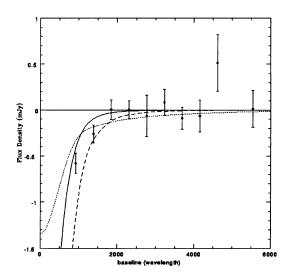


Figure 3. The SZ effect in flux densities versus baseline length. The filled circles are the Ryle data at 15.4 GHz (Jones et al. 1993). The solid curve gives the SZ effect expected for a cluster potential given in Figure 1 (solid curve) with $T_g = 8 \times 10^7$ K. The dotted curve is deduced from the cluster parameters that gave the best fit to the X-ray surface brightness for Model 1 of MB at $T_g = 8 \times 10^7$ K and the dash curve is deduced from the cluster parameters that gave the best fit to the X-ray surface brightness for Model 1 of MB at $T_g = 2 \times 10^8$ K.

position of the giant arc only constrains the innermost part (0.08 Mpc) of the cluster potential. Given the available data, the cluster potential outside 0.08 Mpc is free to vary and we should be able to vary the outer parts of the cluster potential until it fits the X-ray surface brightness profile while keeping the gas temperature fixed to the observed value. Figure 1 shows an example of such a projected density profile. We assumed that the cluster extends to 6 Mpc. The X-ray surface brightness and the SZ effect corresponding to such a potential with $T_g = 8 \times 10^7$ K and central electron density $n_e(0) = 7.3 \times 10^{-3}$ cm⁻³ are shown in Figure 2 and 3 respectively. Both the X-ray surface brightness and the SZ effect thus deduced give reasonable fits to the observed data for $H_0 = 50 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$. We conclude that, given the data available so far, there is no real conflict between the gravitational lensing constraints from the position of the giant arc and that of the observed data, under the assumption of hydrostatic equilibrium. Ideally, the outer parts of the cluster potential can be determined from a weak lensing analysis, but such analysis requires deep optical data taken in sub-arcsec seeing conditions and was not available until very recently (see Kneib et al. and Kaiser et al. in this conference). It should be noted that the potential shown here is just one of the possible solutions that fits all the data and has is yet to be checked against the amount of shear observed by Kneib et al. and Kaiser et al. (in this proceeding).

3. Discussion

In their recent analysis of A2218, MB pointed out that the position of the giant arc in A2218 is in conflict with the X-ray surface brightness distribution measured by the PSPC and the X-ray temperature measured by the Ginga satellite (see dotted curve in Figure 2). MB assumed that the clusters are spherically symmetric and in hydrostatic equilibrium. They examined two families of parametrized density profiles. The density profiles were constrained by the position of the arc through equation (3). They found that the central mass implied by lensing is a factor of 2–2.5 too large for the gas at the observed temperature to be in hydrostatic equilibrium solely due to thermal pressure support given the family of cluster density profiles. They found that if the gas temperature is raised to 2.5 times larger than the observed temperature, then they could find within their family of density profile one that yields a good fit to the PSPC X-ray surface brightness profile (dashed curve in Figure 2). However, such a model does not fit very well the data for SZ effect (see dashed curve in Figure 3).

The conclusion of MB differs from ours because MB have restricted themselves to certain functional types for the cluster total mass distribution. On the other hand, we should also point out that the validity of the

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potential profile found here in Figure 1 is subject to further analysis. We have not so far examined how the velocity dispersion data can constrain the possible density profiles. However, such constraints of the density profiles by the observed velocity dispersion are limited because of the uncertainties in the galaxy orbits. A more useful constraint comes from the weak lensing analysis which are now available from the works by Kneib et al. and Kaiser et al. (in this proceeding). For example, we can predict the amount of shear that can be produced from the above density distribution and compare that with the results from the weak lensing analysis.

4. Conclusions

We found a cluster potential consistent with the "strong" lensing constraint that fits the available data on the SZ effect, the X-ray surface brightness and temperature with $H_0 = 50$ km s⁻¹ Mpc⁻¹ under the assumption of hydrostatic equilibrium. We have enough information for this cluster to simultaneously determine the shape of the cluster potential and the value of H_0 . With the addition of a temperature profile from ASCA, and a weak lensing analysis of the cluster potential out to ~ 3 Mpc, we can deduce directly the cluster matter distribution, dynamical state and the properties of the ICM. In particular, we can obtain a quantitative measure of the difference in dark and luminous matter density as a function of radius and directly test the consistency of the potential deduced from lensing with that of the X-ray surface brightness and temperature under the assumption of hydrostatic equilibrium. The SZ effect then adds extra information on the value of H_0 and the clumpiness factor.

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