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# cosmology and gravitational lensing

cosmology lecture (chapter 13)

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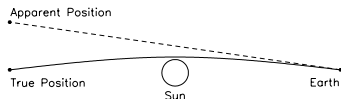
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# repetition

- Friedmann-Lemaître cosmologies with matter and dark energy for accelerated expansion
- thermal history of the universe explains element synthesis and the microwave background
- inflation needed for solving the flatness and horizon-problems, and provides Gaussian initial fluctuations for structure growth
- formation of the cosmic large-scale structure from inflationary perturbations by gravitational instability
- link between statistics and dynamics: linear structure formation is homogeneous (growth equation  $D_+(a)$ ) and conserves Gaussianity of the initial conditions
- halo formation: Jeans-criterion for baryons
- halo density and merging activity determined by Press-Schechter formalism

# gravitational lensing: overview



- gravitational light deflection: test of general relativity (1919)
- strong lensing: giant luminous arcs in clusters of galaxies
- weak lensing: correlated distortion of background galaxy images
- multiply imaged quasars and time delays
- lensed light curves of bulge stars and search of MACHOs
- lensing of the microwave background (2007)
- lensing of the microwave background polarisation (2013/2014)

# lensing on a point mass

- gravitational fields  $\Phi$  influence the propagation of light: **Shapiro delay**

$$\Delta t = \int dx \frac{2}{c^3} \Phi \quad (1)$$

light travels slower in a gravitational potential

- we can assign an **index of refraction** to a potential

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

so that the effective speed is  $c/n = c - 2\Phi/c$

- we expect lensing effects on gravitational fields due to **Fermat's principle**

$$\hat{\alpha} = - \int dx \nabla_{\perp} n = \frac{2}{c^2} \int dx \nabla_{\perp} \Phi \quad (3)$$

## lensing on a point mass

- example: gravitational field of a point mass  $M$  at distance  $b, z$

$$\Phi(b, z) = -\frac{GM}{\sqrt{b^2 + z^2}} \quad (4)$$

- gradient of the potential

$$\nabla_{\perp} = \frac{GM}{(b^2 + z^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{b} \quad (5)$$

where  $\mathbf{b}$  points towards the mass and is perpendicular to the ray

- deflection angle:

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{2}{c^2} \int dz \nabla_{\perp} \Phi = \frac{4GM}{c^2 b} \quad (6)$$

## weak perturbations of the metric

- consider Minkowski-line element, weakly perturbed by static gravitational potential  $\Phi$

$$(ds)^2 = \left(1 + \frac{2}{c^2}\Phi\right)c^2 dt^2 - \left(1 - \frac{2}{c^2}\Phi\right)d\vec{x}^2 \quad (7)$$

- on a geodesic, the line element vanishes: derive effective index of refraction  $n$

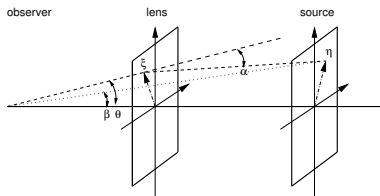
$$\frac{d|\vec{x}|}{dt} = c' = \frac{c}{n} \text{ with } n = 1 - \frac{2}{c^2}\Phi \quad (8)$$

- Fermat's principle: photon minimises run time  $\int |d\vec{x}| n$

$$\delta \int_{x_i}^{x_f} ds \sqrt{\frac{d\vec{x}^2}{ds^2}} n(\vec{x}(s)) = 0, \quad (9)$$

for parametrisation  $x(s)$  of trajectory with  $|d\vec{x}/ds| = 1$

# lens equation



- carry out the variation yields ( $\nabla_{\perp} = \nabla - \vec{e}(\vec{e}\nabla)$ ):

$$\nabla n - \vec{e}(\vec{e}\nabla n) - n \frac{d\vec{e}}{ds} = 0 \rightarrow \frac{d\vec{e}}{ds} = \nabla_{\perp} \ln n \simeq -\frac{2}{c^2} \nabla_{\perp} \Phi \quad (10)$$

- deflection  $\hat{\alpha} = \vec{e}_f - \vec{e}_i = -\frac{2}{c^2} \int ds \nabla_{\perp} \Phi$
- read off lens equation, use deflection angle  $\hat{\alpha}$ :

$$\vec{\eta} = \frac{D_s}{D_l} \vec{\xi} - D_{ls} \hat{\alpha} \rightarrow \beta = \theta - \frac{D_{ls}}{D_s} \hat{\alpha}(\theta) = \theta - \vec{\alpha} \quad (11)$$



# approximations

- formally:  $\hat{\alpha} = \vec{e}_f - \vec{e}_i = -\frac{2}{c^2} \int ds \nabla_{\perp} \Phi$
- nonlinear integral: the deflection determines the path on which one needs to carry out the integration
- Born-approximation**: integration along a fiducial straight ray instead of actual photon geodesic
- if the travel path (of order  $c/H_0$ ) is large compared to the size of the lens, then the gravitational interaction can be taken to be instantaneous  $\rightarrow$  **thin-lens approximation**
- in this case: project the surface mass density  $\Sigma$

$$\Sigma(\vec{b}) = \int dz \rho(\vec{b}, z) \quad (12)$$

- deflection is the superposition of all surface density elements

$$\hat{\alpha}(\vec{b}) = \frac{4G}{c^2} \int d^2b' \Sigma(\vec{b}') \frac{\vec{b} - \vec{b}'}{|\vec{b} - \vec{b}'|^2} \quad (13)$$

# Einstein radius of a gravitational lens

- Einstein ring: look at deflection

$$\beta = \theta - \alpha = \theta - \frac{D_{ds}}{D_d D_s} \frac{4GM}{c^2 \theta} \quad (14)$$

- if the source lies on the optical axis ( $\beta = 0$ ) and if the lens is massive enough all light rays are focused
- we can compute the radius of the ring (in angular units)

$$\theta_E = \sqrt{\frac{4GM}{c^2} \frac{D_{ds}}{D_d D_s}} \quad (15)$$

which is called the **Einstein**-radius

# strong lensing and Einstein-rings



Einstein ring around an elliptical galaxy, source: SLACS survey

- perfect alignment of source and lens give rise to **Einstein rings**

# lens mapping and the mapping Jacobian

- lens equation  $\beta = \theta - \vec{\alpha}(\theta)$  relates true position  $\theta$  to observed position  $\beta$  with mapping field  $\alpha$
- if mapping  $\alpha = \nabla_{\perp}\psi$  is *not constant* across galaxy image  $\rightarrow$  distortion of observed shape
- describe with Jacobian-matrix  $J$

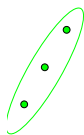
$$J = \frac{\partial\beta}{\partial\theta} = \left( \delta_{ij} - \frac{\partial^2\psi(\theta)}{\partial\theta_i\partial\theta_j} \right) \quad (16)$$

- decompose  $A = \text{id} - J$  in terms of Pauli-matrices:

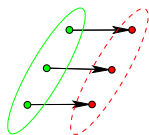
$$A = \sum_{\alpha} a_{\alpha}\sigma_{\alpha} = \kappa \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \gamma_{+} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} + \gamma_{\times} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (17)$$

- coefficients:  $\kappa$  (convergence),  $\gamma_{+}$  and  $\gamma_{\times}$  (shear)
- combine shear coefficients to complex shear  $\gamma = \gamma_{+} + i\gamma_{\times}$  (spin 2)

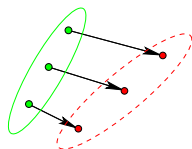
# image distortions



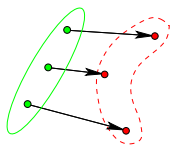
$$\varphi = \text{const}$$



$$\varphi \propto \theta$$



$$\varphi \propto \theta^2$$



$$\varphi \propto \theta^3$$

- deflection not observable, actual position of a galaxy is unknown
- with assumptions on galaxy ellipticity, the shearing is observable
- bending of an image (flexion) is a new lensing method

## question

why is there no rotation of a galaxy image in lensing?

# analytical profiles: singular isothermal sphere

- from the part about the stability of self-gravitating systems we know the **singular isothermal sphere**:

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\sigma_v^2}{2\pi G} \times \frac{1}{r^2} \quad (18)$$

where the unordered particle motion is described by the velocity dispersion  $\sigma_v^2$

- compute surface mass density by projection

$$\Sigma(x) = \frac{\sigma_v^2}{2G} \times \frac{1}{x} \quad (19)$$

- from which we get the deflection angle

$$\hat{\alpha} = 4\pi \frac{\sigma_v^2}{c^2} \quad (20)$$

# mass reconstructions

- convergence  $\propto$  local surface mass density  $\Sigma$  of a lens
- but: it is **not directly observable**  $\rightarrow$  is it possible to infer  $\kappa$  and the mass map from the observation of gravitational shear?
- write down derivative relations in Fourier space

$$\kappa = -\frac{1}{2}(k_x^2 + k_y^2)\psi \quad \gamma_+ = -\frac{1}{2}(k_x^2 - k_y^2)\psi \quad \gamma_\times = -k_x k_y \psi \quad (21)$$

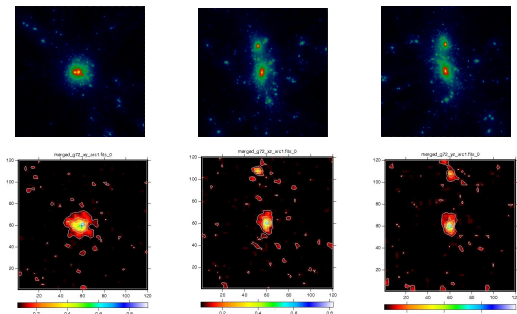
- combine into single equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_+ \\ \gamma_\times \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{k^2} \begin{pmatrix} k_x^2 - k_y^2 \\ 2k_x k_y \end{pmatrix} \kappa \quad (22)$$

- operator is **orthogonal**:  $A^2 = \text{id}$

$$\left[ \frac{1}{k^2} \begin{pmatrix} k_x^2 - k_y^2 \\ 2k_x k_y \end{pmatrix} \right]^2 = 1 \quad (23)$$

## example: cluster profiles



numerical cluster reconstructions, source: J. Merten

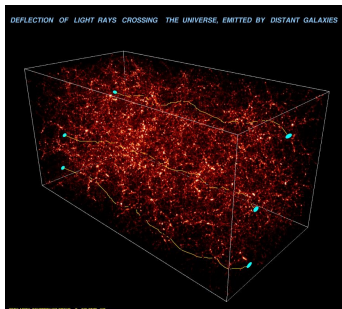
- inversion  $\kappa = \frac{1}{k^2} \left[ (k_x^2 - k_y^2)\gamma_+ + 2k_x k_y \gamma_\times \right]$  yields estimate of map  $\Sigma$

### question

derive the reconstruction operator in real space and formulate the inversion as an integration, identify the Green-function



# weak cosmic shear



source: S. Colombi

- lensing on the large-scale structure: fluctuation statistics of the lensing signal reflects the fluctuation statistics of the density field
- neighboring galaxies have correlated deformations because the light rays cross similar, correlated tidal fields

## tidal fields and their effect on light rays

- distance  $x$  of a gravitationally deflected light ray relative to a fiducial straight line is

$$\frac{d^2x}{d\chi^2} = -\frac{2}{c^2} \nabla_{\perp} \Phi \quad (24)$$

- solution (flat universes)

$$x = \chi\theta - \frac{2}{c^2} \int d\chi' (\chi - \chi') \nabla_{\perp} \Phi(\chi'\theta) \quad (25)$$

- deflection angle

$$\alpha = \frac{\chi\theta - x}{\chi} = \frac{2}{c^2} \int d\chi' \frac{\chi - \chi'}{\chi} \nabla_{\perp} \Phi(\chi'\theta) \quad (26)$$

- convergence, with  $\nabla_{\theta} = \chi \nabla_x$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{2} \text{div} \alpha = \frac{1}{c^2} \int d\chi' (\chi - \chi') \frac{\chi'}{\chi} \Delta \Phi(\chi'\theta) \quad (27)$$

## tidal fields and their effect on light rays

- relate to density field with (comoving) Poisson-equation

$$\Delta\Phi = \frac{3H_0^2\Omega_m}{2a}\delta \quad (28)$$

- final result:

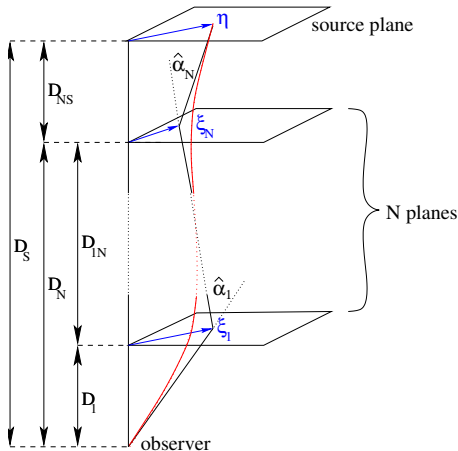
$$\kappa = \int d\chi' W(\chi, \chi')\delta \quad \text{with} \quad W(\chi, \chi') = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{H_0}{c}\right)^2 \frac{\Omega_m}{a} (\chi - \chi') \frac{\chi'}{\chi} \quad (29)$$

- fluctuations in  $\kappa$  reflect fluctuations in  $\delta$  **in a linear way**

### cosmic shear

gravitational shear of a galaxy measures the integrated matter density along the line of sight, weighted by  $W(\chi)$

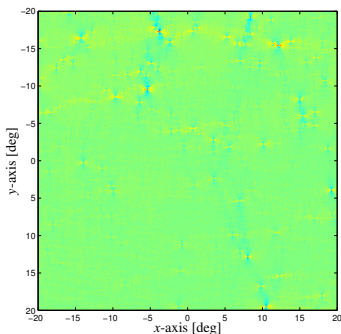
# ray-tracing simulations of weak lensing



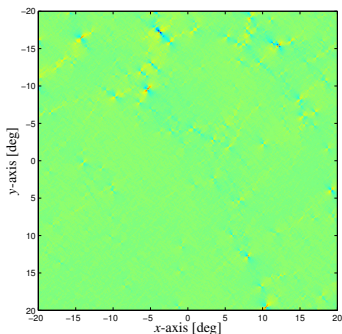
source: C. Pfommer

- solve transport  $\frac{d^2}{dw^2}x = -\frac{2}{c^2} \nabla_{\perp} \Phi$  by discretisation

# simulated shear field on an $n$ -body simulation



shear  $\gamma_+$



shear  $\gamma_x$

- Gadget-simulated, side length 100 Mpc/ $h$ , 40 planes
- clusters of galaxies produce characteristic pattern in shear field

## Limber-equation

- original title: Limber (1953), *The Analysis of Counts of the Extragalactic Nebulae in Terms of a Fluctuating Density Field*
- **relate** 3d-power spectrum  $P(k)$  to observed 2d-power spectrum  $C(\ell)$
- define correlation function  $C(\theta) = \langle g(\theta_1)g(\theta_2) \rangle$  of quantity  $g$ , which measures fluctuations in density field  $g(\theta) = \int d\chi W(\chi)\delta(\chi\theta, \chi)$
- assume that weighting function  $q(\chi)$  does *not* vary much compared to fluctuation scale:

$$C(\theta) = \int d\chi W(\chi)^2 \int d(\Delta\chi) \xi\left(\sqrt{(\chi\theta)^2 + \Delta^2\chi}, \chi\right) \quad (30)$$

- correlation function  $C(\theta)$  can be Fourier-transformed to yield angular power spectrum  $C(\ell)$ :

$$C(\ell) = \int d\chi \frac{W(\chi)^2}{\chi^2} P\left(k = \frac{\ell}{\chi}, \chi\right) \quad (31)$$

## angular spectra

- the spectrum  $P(k)$  is defined as

$$\langle \delta(\mathbf{k})\delta(\mathbf{k}') \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta_D(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}') P(k) \quad (32)$$

from the Fourier-transform of the density field  $\delta(\mathbf{x})$

$$\delta(\mathbf{k}) = \int d^3x \delta(\mathbf{x}) \exp(-i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \delta(\mathbf{x}) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \delta(\mathbf{k}) \exp(+i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) \quad (33)$$

- if the field is not defined in Cartesian coordinates but exists on the surface of the sphere (like an observation at a position on the sky), one needs to use spherical harmonics for decomposition:

$$\gamma(\hat{\theta}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{+\ell} \gamma_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\theta}) \quad \leftrightarrow \quad \gamma_{\ell m} = \int_{4\pi} d\Omega \gamma(\hat{\theta}) Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\theta}) \quad (34)$$

and the spectrum reads:

$$\langle \gamma_{\ell m} \gamma_{\ell' m'}^* \rangle = \delta_{\ell\ell'} \delta_{mm'} C(\ell) \quad (35)$$

## Limber-equation: correlation functions

- observable: shear  $\gamma$  at position  $\hat{\theta}$  on the sky:

$$\gamma(\hat{\theta}) = \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi W_\gamma(\chi) \delta(\chi \hat{\theta}, \chi) \quad (36)$$

- write down correlation function as the Fourier-transform of  $P(k)$  and project:

$$C_{\gamma\gamma}(\alpha) = \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi W_\gamma(\chi) \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi' W_\gamma(\chi') \int dk k^2 P(k, \chi, \chi') \int_{4\pi} d\Omega_k \exp(i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')) \quad (37)$$

- correlation function as the Fourier-transform of the spectrum

$$\langle \gamma(\hat{\theta}\chi, \chi) \gamma^*(\hat{\theta}'\chi', \chi') \rangle = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} P(k) \exp(i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')) \quad (38)$$

- with the integration done in spherical coordinates

$$\langle \gamma(\hat{\theta}\chi, \chi) \gamma^*(\hat{\theta}'\chi', \chi') \rangle = \int dk k^2 P(k) \int_{4\pi} d\Omega_k \exp(i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')) \quad (39)$$



# Limber-equation: Rayleigh-decomposition

- Rayleigh: decomposition of plane waves in spherical waves

$$\exp(i\mathbf{k}\mathbf{x}) = 4\pi \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} i^{\ell} j_{\ell}(kx) \sum_{m=-\ell}^{+\ell} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{k}) Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\theta}) \quad (40)$$

- rewrite Fourier-waves as spherical waves:

$$\int_{4\pi} d\Omega_k \exp(i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')) = (4\pi)^2 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} j_{\ell}(k\chi) j_{\ell}(k\chi') \sum_{m=-\ell}^{+\ell} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\theta}) Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\theta}') \quad (41)$$

- use addition theorem of spherical harmonics

$$\int_{4\pi} d\Omega_k \exp(i\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}')) = 4\pi \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} j_{\ell}(k\chi) j_{\ell}(k\chi') (2\ell + 1) P_{\ell}(\cos \alpha) \quad (42)$$

- write correlation function  $C_{\gamma\gamma}(\alpha)$  from  $P(k)$

$$C_{\gamma\gamma}(\alpha) = 4\pi \int^{\chi_H} d\chi W_{\gamma}(\chi) \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi' W_{\gamma}(\chi') \int dk k^2 P(k, \chi, \chi') \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} j_{\ell}(k\chi) j_{\ell}(k\chi')$$

## Limber-equation: angular spectra

- transform correlation function to  $\ell$ -space by Fourier-transform

$$C_{\gamma\gamma}(\ell) = (4\pi)^2 \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi W_\gamma(\chi) \int_0^{\chi_H} d\chi' W_\gamma(\chi') \int dk k^2 P(k, \chi, \chi') j_\ell(k\chi) j_\ell(k\chi') \quad (44)$$

- use orthonormality of spherical Bessel functions

$$\int_0^\infty k^2 dk j_\ell(k\chi) j_\ell(k\chi') = \frac{\pi}{2\chi^2} \delta_D(\chi - \chi') \quad (45)$$

- Bessel-functions sort out  $P(k) \simeq P(\ell/\chi)$ , such that:

$$C_{\gamma\gamma}(\ell) \simeq \int_0^{\chi_H} \frac{d\chi}{\chi^2} W_\gamma^2(\chi) P(k = \ell/\chi, \chi) \quad (46)$$

### Limber-equation

relates fluctuation statistics of the 3d-source field to the statistics of the 2d projected observable

## Limber-equation: additional formulas

- angular spectrum from the correlation function

$$C_{\gamma\gamma}(\ell) = 2\pi \int d\cos\alpha C_{\gamma\gamma}(\alpha) P_\ell(\cos\alpha) \quad (47)$$

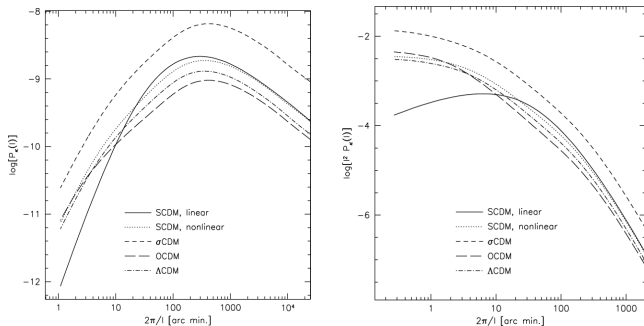
- correlation function from the angular spectrum

$$C_{\gamma\gamma}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (2\ell + 1) C_{\gamma\gamma}(\ell) P_\ell(\cos\alpha) \quad (48)$$

- addition theorem of the spherical harmonics

$$\sum_{m=-\ell}^{+\ell} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\theta}) Y_{\ell m}^*(\hat{\theta}') = \frac{2\ell + 1}{4\pi} P_\ell(\cos\alpha) \quad (49)$$

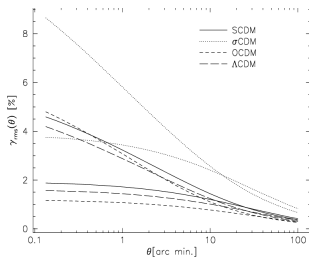
# shear power spectra



source: Bartelmann & Schneider, physics reports 340 (2001)

- use Limber's equation to link the shear power spectrum to the dark matter power spectrum
- cosmology: redshift weightings  $W(\chi)$ , growth  $D_+(a(\chi))$ , normalisation reflects  $\sigma_8$

# shear in apertures

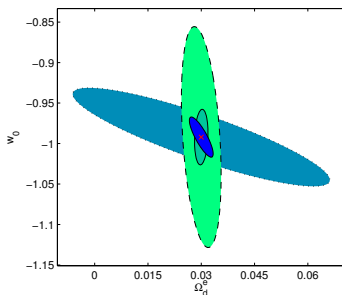


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- improve constraint on  $\sigma_8$ :  $C(\ell)$  should be determined by a small range of  $k$ -modes
- average  $\gamma$  in an aperture of size  $\theta$ :  $\langle |\gamma|^2 \rangle(\theta)$ : product in  $\ell$ -space

$$\langle |\gamma|^2 \rangle(\theta) = 2\pi \int_0^\infty \ell d\ell C_\gamma(\ell) \left[ \frac{J_1(\theta\ell)}{\pi\theta\ell} \right]^2 \quad (50)$$

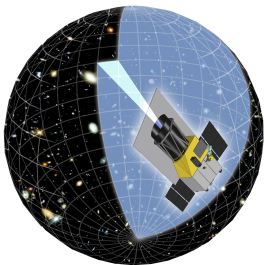
# parameter estimates from weak cosmic shear



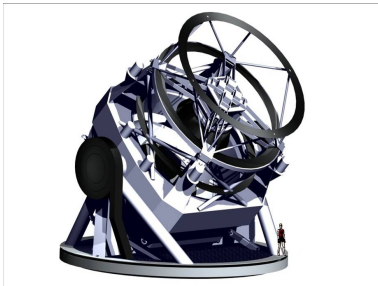
**joint constraint on  $\Omega_{\text{EDE}}$  and  $w_0$ , source: L. Hollenstein**

- lensing is a powerful method for determining parameters
- even complicated dark energy models can be investigated

# future lensing surveys



**EUCLID**



**LSST**

- coverage  $\sim$  half of the sky, going to unit redshift
- precision determination of cosmological parameters, statistical errors  $\sim 10^{-3\dots-4}$
- challenge: **systematics control**

# weak lensing tomography



## measurements of galaxy shapes

- observe distortion in the shape of lensed galaxies
- measure second moments of brightness distribution

$$Q_{ij} = \frac{\int d^2\theta I(\theta)(\theta_i - \bar{\theta}_i)(\theta_j - \bar{\theta}_j)}{\int d^2\theta I(\theta)} \quad (51)$$

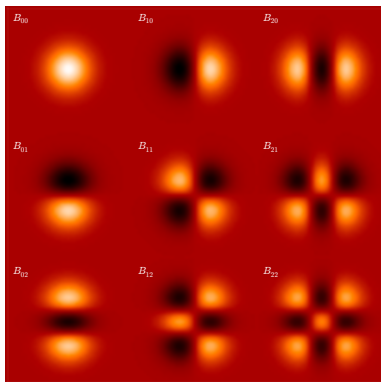
- define complex ellipticity (spin 2):

$$\epsilon = \frac{Q_{xx} - Q_{yy} + 2iQ_{xy}}{Q_{xx} + Q_{yy} + 2\sqrt{Q_{xx}Q_{yy} - Q_{xy}^2}} \quad (52)$$

- mapping of complex ellipticity by a Jacobian with **reduced shear**  
 $g(\theta) = \gamma(\theta)/[1 - \kappa(\theta)]$ :

$$\epsilon = \frac{\epsilon' + g}{1 + g^* \epsilon'} \text{ for } |g| \leq 1, \quad \epsilon = \frac{1 + (\epsilon')^* g}{(\epsilon')^* - g'} \text{ for } |g| > 1 \quad (53)$$

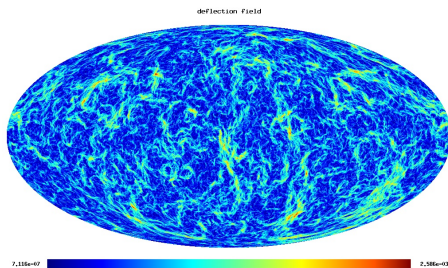
# galaxy shapes with shapelets



shapelet base functions  $B_{ij}$ , source: P. Melchior

- decomposition into a set of basis functions based on the quantum mechanical harmonic oscillator: Hermite polynomials

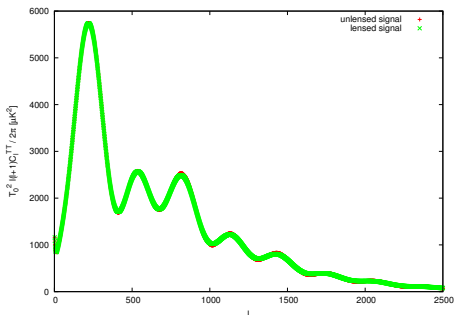
# lensing of the cosmic microwave background



sky-map of the deflection angle, source: C. Carbone

- weird (non-Gaussian) patterns in the deflection field
- measurement of lensing at high redshift, in temperature and polarisation

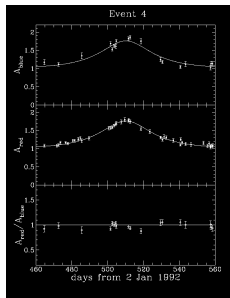
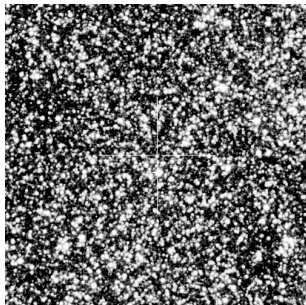
# parameter estimates from CMB lensing



**lensed and unlensed CMB spectra, source: Ph. Merkel**

- lensing wipes out structures in the CMB (compare to frosted glass)
- amplitudes of the CMB spectrum decreases, non-Gaussianities in the CMB are generated
- polarisation correlations more strongly affected, *B*-modes

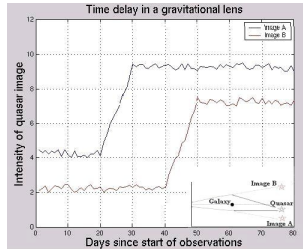
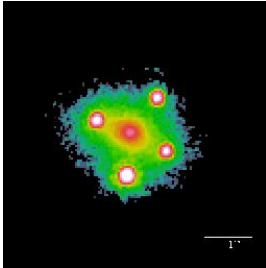
# microlensing and MACHOs



source: C. Alcock

- compact massive objects (historical dark matter candidates) orbit the Milky Way
- observe a large number of bulge stars or stars in the LMC
- find lensed light curves, very typical signature

# time delay measurements with quasars



source: universe review

- image appears if the variation of the gravitational time delay is zero
- time delays between different images differ by days
- geometry of the lens can be determined, including the distance

## time delay function

- the deflection can be written as the gradient of the lensing potential

$$\theta - \beta = \nabla\psi \quad (54)$$

- which can be combined into a single condition

$$\nabla\left(\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \beta)^2 - \psi\right) = 0 \quad (55)$$

- compare with **time-delay function**

$$\Delta t(\theta) = \frac{1+z}{c} \frac{D_d D_s}{D_{ds}} \left(\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \beta)^2 - \psi\right) = \Delta t_{\text{geo}} + \Delta t_{\text{grav}} \quad (56)$$

- the first term corresponds to the time delay along the lensed trajectory, the second term is the Shapiro delay in a gravitational potential
- Fermat's principle now requires  $\nabla\Delta t(\theta) = 0$ , which might have multiple solutions

## summary: Friedmann-Lemaître cosmologies

- **dynamic** world models based on general relativity
- Robertson-Walker line element as a solution to the field equation
- Copernican principle: homogeneous and isotropic metric
- homogeneous fluids, with a certain pressure density relation, parameterised by  $w = p/\rho$ 
  - radiation ( $w = +1/3$ )
  - (dark) matter ( $w = 0$ )
  - curvature ( $w = -1/3$ )
  - cosmological constant ( $w = -1$ )
- Hubble parameter  $H_0$  defines the critical density  $\rho_{\text{crit}} = 3H_0^2/(8\pi G)$
- distance definitions become ambiguous
- geometrical probes constrain the model parameters to a few percent, in particular  $\Omega_k < 0.01$



## summary: random fields and spectra

- inflation: epoch of rapid **accelerated** expansion of the early universe
- Hubble expansion dominated by a fluid with very negative  $w$ 
  - drives curvature towards zero  $\rightarrow$  flatness problem
  - grows observable universe from a small volume  $\rightarrow$  horizon problem
- fluctuations in the energy density of the inflaton field couple gravitationally to the other fluids
- fluctuations are Gaussian and have a finite correlation length
  - characterisation with a correlation function  $\xi(r)$
  - homogeneous fluctuations: spectrum  $P(k)$
- inflationary fluctuations can be observed as temperature anisotropies in the CMB
- shape of the spectrum: inflation gives  $P(k) \propto k^{n_s}$ , changed by transfer function  $T(k)$  in the Meszaros effect, normalised by  $\sigma_8$

## summary: structure formation

- cosmic structures and the large-scale distribution of galaxies form by **gravitational instability** of inflationary perturbation
  - continuity equation
  - Euler equation
  - Poisson equation
- linearisation for small amplitudes: homogeneous growth, described by  $D_+(a)$ , conservation of Gaussianity of initial conditions
- nonlinear growth is inhomogeneous and destroys Gaussianity by mode coupling
- three basic difficulties
  - nonlinearities in the continuity and Euler-equation
  - collisionlessness of dark matter
  - non-extensivity of gravity
- galaxy formation: gravitational collapse, Jeans argument
- halo density: predicted from  $P(k)$  with Press-Schechter formalism

## summary: standard model $\Lambda$ CDM

- $\Lambda$ CDM is a flat, accelerating Friedmann-Lemaître cosmology with dark matter and a cosmological constant
- $\Lambda$ CDM has 7 parameters, and is in remarkable agreement with observations, both of geometrical and growth probes
  - 1  $\Omega_m = 0.25$ , low density, required by supernova observations
  - 2  $\Omega_b = 0.04$ , small value, good measurement from CMB
  - 3  $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.75$ , flatness from CMB,  $\Omega_m + \Omega_\Lambda = 1$
  - 4  $w = -1$ , cosmological constant, no dynamic dark energy
  - 5  $\sigma_8 = 0.8$ , low value (compared to history), largest uncertainty
  - 6  $n_s = 0.96$ , predicted by inflation to be  $\lesssim 1$
  - 7  $h = 0.72$ , sets expansion time scale, or age/size of the universe
- up to now, there is no theoretical understanding of  $\Lambda$  or of the magnitude of  $H_0$

## summary: open questions in cosmology

- precision determination of cosmological parameters and verification of the standard model
- matter content of the Universe: dark matter particles, cosmological neutrinos
- inflation, conditions for inflation and observables, Gaussianity
- gravitational waves in the early universe
- quantification of the nonlinearly evolved cosmic density field, description of nonlinear structure formation processes
- substructure of dark matter haloes and an explanation of their kinematic structure
- biasing of galaxies and relations between host halo properties and member galaxies, galaxy formation and evolution
- distinguishing between cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ , dark energy or modified gravity
- tidal interactions of haloes with the large-scale structure and gravitational lensing