The Unique Power of Chandra Observations of Gravitationally Lensed Quasars



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PG 1115+080 X-rays, optical, and lens model

DP et al. 2008

Stronger X-ray anomalies are nearly universal, indicating microlensing is the cause.



Microlensing-induced variations diminish by $\frac{1}{2}$ when source size ~ $\frac{1}{3}$ lens size.



Mortonson, Schechter, & Wambsganss 2005

Optical RMS is roughly ¹/₂ the X-ray RMS. Optical region must be ¹/₃ size of the microlensing star.



This is not a single-star effect!

These two realizations of the stars in a ~60 microarcsecond field lensing a background quasar show all of the micro-images that go into forming one of the four macro images of the quasar.

The only difference is the position of the background quasar relative to the stars.



Magnification factor: ~5



Magnification factor: ~2

see Paczynski 1986

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Microlensing magnification maps represent the effects of this "network" of microlensing stars.

Analysis of magnification maps gives probability of strong microlensing effects.

1% stars

1.00

Magnification (relative to average)

0.10

0.01

100.00

0.01

0.10

1.00

Magnification (relative to average)

10.00

10.00

10% stars **100% stars** Magnification (relative to average) Magnification (relative to average) Magnification (relative to average) < 0.20 0.33 0.50 2 3 > 5 < 0.20 0.33 0.50 2 3 > 5 < 0.20 0.33 0.50 2 3 > 5 1 1 1 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.04 0.08 Relative Frequency Relative Frequency Relative Frequency 0.03 0.06 0.10 0.02 0.04 0.05 0.01 0.02 0.00 0.00 0.00

100.00

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10.00

Ensemble of quads indicates 93% dark matter at $\langle R \rangle = 6.6$ kpc



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Stellar Mass Density (M/L Ratio)

Knowing the overall mass density (from the lensing model) and the amount of mass in stars, one can estimate the stellar mass density.

We characterize this as a calibration factor that multiplies the stellar mass fundamental plane



- 1. The discovery of new lensed quasars in large-area optical surveys will provide additional targets for *Chandra*, improving the ensemble results.
 - Size of optical region DM fraction / stellar mass density



VST-ATLAS discovery of WISE 2344-3056 as a quadruply lensed quasar.

Schechter et al. 2016

Fig. 2.— Left: A 60s i exposure of WISE 2344-3056 taken with IMACS in 0".55 seeing. Right: the same exposure, with four point sources subtracted, at 10 times higher contrast. The scale is 0".200 per pixel



credit: Luke Weisenbach, MIT '18

 The dark matter fractions / stellar mass densities can be obtained for individual systems through repeated observations spaced by ~years. These would yield "independent" likelihood histograms, which could be combined in a way similar to the ensemble results.



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Likely caustic crossing in HE 0230–2130

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Illustrative example from planetary microlensing shows effects of increasing source size.

Large anomalies were seen in the X-ray images.



Blackburne, DP, & Rappaport 2006

These "flux ratio anomalies" were known in the optical for decades, but the explanation was unclear (*milli*lensing vs. *micro*lensing).

An optical emitting region that was large compared to the lens size was investigated by Schechter & Wambsganss (2004).

Improved X-ray data reduction gives more precise measurement.



Use dithering of satellite

Use Sub-pixel Event Resolution Position of an event is based on how charge cloud is split amongst neighboring pixels.

We calculate the optical *R*_{1/2} for Shakura-Sunyaev disks and compare to the microlens Einstein radii:

Quasar	$L_{bol opt}^{a}_{HE 0230-2130}_{(10^{45} \text{ erg s}^{-1})}$	$L_{bol,X}^{b}$ (10 ⁴⁵ erg s ⁻¹)	$\log M_{\rm BH}^{\rm c}$ (M_{\odot})	$r_{1/2}^{d}$ (10 ¹⁵ cm)	$r_{1/2}^{d}$ (R_g)	stellar $r_{\rm Ein}^{\rm e}$ (10 ¹⁵ cm)	$\log r_{1/2}/r_{\rm Ein}$
HE 0230-2130	MG J0414+0534 2.9	6.3	7.95 ± 0.24	0.93	70	43	-1.66 ± 0.16
MG J0414+0534	RX J0911+0551	28	9.04 ± 0.17	3 .8	23	31	-0.91 ± 0.11
RX J0911+0551	SDSS 19924+02	19 13	8.60 ± 0.18	1.9	32	35	-1.26 ± 0.12
SDSS J0924+0219	0.6	0.3	7.27 ± 0.56	0.42	152	48	-2.06 ± 0.37
PG 1115+080	PG 1115+080	6.6	8.53 ± 0.37	2.5	50	55	-1.35 ± 0.25
RX J1131–1231	RX JQ18Q -1231	1.3	7 .39± 0.19	0.84	230	₩ 38	-1.65 ± 0.13
H 1413+117	56	6.5	9.24 ± 0.51	5.4		~	• • •
B 1422+231	$H^{1413+117}_{250}$	135	9.89 ± 0.18	13	11	47	-0.55 ± 0.12
WFI J2033-4723	B 142 5 +7231	3.8	8.24 ± 0.12	1.6		- 36	-1.35 ± 0.08
Q 2237+0305	32 WFI 12033-4723	2.7	8.99 ± 0.76	5.5	38	150	-1.43 ± 0.51

Probability of strong microlensing

effects depends on dark/stellar ratio Microlensing map histograms Convolved with measured F_X Custom microlensing maps are made for each system for a variety of dark/stellar ratios. Strong demagnifications are unlikely for very $h_{ig}^{i} = H_{ig}^{HV} 00^{6}$ and very $l_{0008}^{i} = H_{ig}^{i} = H_{$



Stellar fraction decreases with $\langle R \rangle$ as expected





The larger the size of the source, the more the lensing effects are diminished



Possible caustic crossing is seen in PG 1115+080



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Custom microlensing maps are made for each system for a variety of dark/stellar ratios. Strong demagnifications are unlikely for very high (100%) and very low (1%) stellar fractions.

10% Stars



Magnification (relative to average)





100% Stars

Magnification (relative to average)

< 0.20	0.33	0.50	1	2	3	> 5

Multiply distributions to form joint P(*F*_X)



Marginalize over *F*_X to obtain likelihood of stellar fraction



Improved X-ray image modeling gives more precise measurement



β profile: $I(r) = A(1 + (r/r_0)^2)^{-\beta}$



DP et al. 2007

Galaxy Mass Profiles from (SLACS)



Gavazzi et al. 2007

The Sizes of Quasar Emission Regions

We calculate $R_{1/2}$ according to: $\frac{\int_{r_0}^{r_{1/2}} \left[e^{h\nu(1+z)/kT(r)} - 1 \right]^{-1} r dr}{\int_{r_0}^{\infty} \left[e^{h\nu(1+z)/kT(r)} - 1 \right]^{-1} r dr} = \frac{1}{2}$

using a Shakura-Sunyaev model: $T(r) = \left[\frac{3GM_{\rm BH}\dot{M}}{8\pi\sigma r^3}\right]^{1/4} \left(1 - \sqrt{r_0/r}\right)^{1/4}$

Estimate L_{Bol} using $9[\lambda F_{\lambda}]_{5100}4\pi D_{L}^{2}$ Kaspi et al. 2000

Take $L_{BOI}/L_{Edd} \equiv f_E = 0.25$ Kollmeier et al. 2006

Take radiative efficiency $\eta = 0.15$ Yu & Tremaine 2002 $\rightarrow a = 0.88$ and $r_0 \approx 2.5 R_g$ Assumptions: How does choice of η and f_E affect $R_{1/2}$?

*Can use $T(\mathbf{r})$ to find radius where $T/(1+z) = h\mathbf{v}/k_{\rm B}$ To good approximation, this radius $\propto R_{1/2}$ *Neglecting the factor of $(1 - \sqrt{r_0/r})^{1/4}$ in T(r), we find $R_{1/2} \propto (M_{\rm BH} \dot{M})^{1/3}$

*Since $M_{\text{BH}} \propto L_{\text{bol}}/f_{\text{E}}$ and $\dot{M} \propto L_{\text{bol}}/\eta$ $\Rightarrow R_{1/2} \propto (f_{\text{E}} \eta)^{-1/3}$