## (Strong) Gravitational Lensing and Simulations

Stefan Hilbert (EC/USM),

many of you, Raul Angulo, Simon White,...

# Outline

- Introduction
- Galaxy strong lensing, time delays, and line-of-sight structures
- Substructure
- Summary



# Strong Lens Time Delays

- $H_0$  excellent complement to CMB and other probes
- H<sub>0</sub> from strong lens time delays:
  - specific systematics
    (different from other probes)
  - one-step measurement (no ladder)
  - competitive single system constraints
  - few systems already, hundreds-thousands later

## Hubble Parameter H<sub>o</sub>



(source: Planck collaboration)



## LOS Structures: Lensing Simulations



### Simple Aperture Counts



# Weighted Counts

- weighting by redshift, stellar mass, transverse separation
- requires (photo) redshifts
- reduces uncertainties by ~30%
- helps identify low-density l.o.s.

```
(Greene, et al. 2013)
```

## Halo Model Mass Reconstruction



(Collet et al. 2013)

### Halo Model Mass Reconstruction: Scatter



## Halo Model Mass Reconstruction: Bias from Light-to-Mass Model



## Improvements?

- better models for main lens
- better uncertainty conversion from los light to los mass (cosmlogy, galaxy model?)
- include coupling between los and main lens

# **Cosmology Scaling**



#### simulation data



(Angulo & White 2010)



## LOS Structures: Lensing Simulations



main lens from analytic model / hi-res sim. (with baryons)

## Main Lens: Hi-Res Sim



### Substructure: New Methods



Abel et al. (2012)

### **Comparison: Convergence**



Angulo et al. (2013)

### **Comparison: Convergence**



## **Comparison: Magnification**



Angulo et al. (2013)



Angulo et al. (2013)

## **Problems: Bias**



# **Possible Solutions**

- adaptive refinement (during simulation)
- higher order interpolations

•

# Summary

- strong lens time delays:
  - main lens models
  - los light  $\rightarrow$  los mass
  - joint modeling of main lens + los
- substructure:
  - abundance and profiles
  - intrinsic vs. los
  - improved lensing simulations

Thanks for Your Attention!