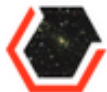



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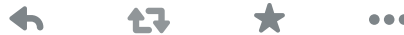
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James Nightingale has cracked the pixelation error introduced by codes using regular grids for lensed source reconstruction [#IPMUIens](#)



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Gregor Seidel is upgrading his Arcfinder code to take multi-band imaging inputs. Spurious detections reduced by x6! [#IPMUIens](#)



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Oguri: LSST should see ~100 resolved lensed SNe Ia, and ~1000 unresolved ones. "Bright, red SNe will almost always be lensed" [#IPMUIens](#)



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Masamune Oguri's [#IPMUIens](#) talk on lensed SNe was on the Quimby et al interpretation of PS1-10afx, unresolved multiple imaging of a Type Ia



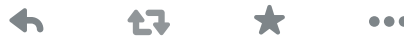
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Chan's lens finding code, Chitah, is *fast.* 5 sec per multi-band cutout image set. 80% complete, 20-30% pure, Made In Taiwan [#IPMUIens](#)



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Meanwhile James H. H. Chan is working on explicit automated pixel-level modeling (based on gravlens) for lensed quasar finding [#IPMUIens](#)



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Agnello's problem is that blended quasar doubles/quads look like blue cloud galaxies. His ANN gets x2 catalog selection purity [#IPMUIens](#)





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Adriano Agnello is "mining" for lenses in DES etc, training various machine learning methods to work on catalogs and images [#IPMUIens](#)



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Buckley-Geer: searching for double source plane "Jackpot"-style systems, for cosmography. Collett expects ~100 of these too [#IPMUIens](#)



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Buckley-Geer: no u-band in DES, but WISE photometry makes up for it in bright quasar selection [#IPMUIens](#)



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Liz Buckley-Geer reported on lens searching in the Dark Energy Survey. Expects ~100 lensed QSOs with second image brighter than 21 [#IPMUIens](#)



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More: both Space Warps' and SL2S' samples are incomplete, but in different ways. Human/machine partnerships are promising [#IPMUIens](#)



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More has 2 motivations for Space Warps: higher completeness samples (enabling lens statistics) and assisting finder algorithm dev [#IPMUIens](#)



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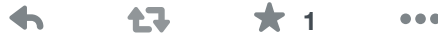
Anupreet More on Space Warps: 60 new lens candidates, including faint arcs and lens galaxies that missed the SL2S cut [#IPMUIens](#)





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Both Wardlow and Negrello emphasize that their teams are focused on source science; opportunity knocks for lens galaxy lovers! #IPMUIens



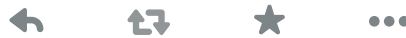
Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 22

Wardlow: we should care about sub mm lenses! Sample is growing to few tens, wealth of follow up data is coming in #IPMUIens



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Mao asks if unknown source size/structure is important, Wardlow says the deflector structure/population is more important #IPMUIens



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Wardlow emphasizes accuracy of lens number counts prediction, speculates about possibility of cosmography with lens statistics #IPMUIens



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Wardlow: target selection is very pure, due to mag bias. 50% efficiency point is at about 100mJy #IPMUIens



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Julie Wardlow gave a very nice intro to the Herschel strong lens science program. Sources are at $z=2-3$ and often optically visible #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 22

As if we weren't all excited enough about strong lenses after #IPMUIens :-)) A quadruply-imaged SN in a Frontier Field astronomerstelegam.org/?read=6729





samore @s_a_more · Nov 22

If it is a typela, the Hubble frontier fields models could be tested. What magnifications do the teams predict for this SN? #IPMUIens



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Lensed supernova in the frontier fields, go observe if you can:

astronomerstelegam.org/?read=6729

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Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Nightingale worries we'll miss interesting lenses not captured by training sets.

Marshall: this was motivation for @SpaceWarps #IPMUIens



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Koopmans asks, is joint cosmology analysis biased? Marshall's not sure, but suggests modeling common density fields explicitly #IPMUIens



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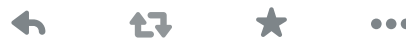
Marshall: assuming uniform priors on lens model pars introduces H0 bias; hierarchical model avoids this, at no loss of precision #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall & Sonnenfeld are investigating bias in ensembles of time delay lenses:

ETG self similarity vs uninformative priors #IPMUIens



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Marshall: how to think about ensembles of lenses? Individual objects are always related, so models are naturally hierarchical #IPMUIens





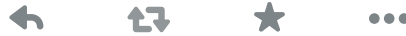
Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall shows plot by Rafi Kueng showing citizen lens modeling results, from his SpaghettiLens interface. "Citizens = Experts" #IPMUIens



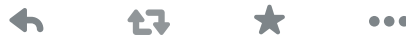
Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall: inspection of lens candidates by humans is always necessary, the only question is how many will take part @SpaceWarps #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall's favorite mountain is Mt Fuji: "when I saw it I thought of the mountain of wide field imaging data coming our way" #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall: catalog mining yields "targets", pixel modeling yields "candidates". "This is the convention I am imposing on you" #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall: likelihood captures goodness of fit, prior captures plausibility of model. Training sets are sampled priors #IPMUIens



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Marshall: to be a lens candidate, your data must be able to be explained by a plausible lens model #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Marshall: wide field imaging surveys should enable lens candidate detection and confirmation with the survey images, like in HST #IPMUIens





Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 21

Final day at #IPMUIens - lens searches, future opportunities. Marshall is first up, suggesting how to think about finding and using lenses



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Hah! Bradac is helping us sketch out giant legacy JWST proposals - so good for us to think like a whole community! #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

MT @brant_robertson: "Answer depends on the mag you extrapolate to. Recombination time decreases as $\sim 1/(1+z)^6$, gets hard at $z>8$ " #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

MT @brant_robertson: "The tension with CMB indicates high-z SFR may decline less rapidly than Ishigaki suggests." #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Interesting to hear the tension between needing funding to do the work to make data/code public, and the incentives to do so #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Discussion time! How to transmit lens models to the community? And with what relative weight? The latter is a research question #IPMUIens



Molly Peeples @astronomolly · Nov 20

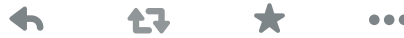
@drphilmarshall thanks for all of the #IPMUIens tweets, it's been useful to see what people are talking about





Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Problem is the lack of ionizing UV starlight at $z > 8$. Treu asks, how steep would the faint end slope have to be to compensate? #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Ishigaki: this luminosity density and its evolution is in tension with the Planck reionization optical depth #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Ishigaki: observed LF implies rapid evolution in UV luminosity density between $z=10$ and 5, strengthening previous conclusions #IPMUIens



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Ishigaki's dropouts agree with other teams'. He verifies them by Monte Carlo injection of mock sources, then lenses and detects #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Ishigaki wants to know if UV flux from stars in galaxies reionized the universe. He's not alone #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Masafumi Ishigaki now talking about $z=5-10$ luminosity function in the frontier fields - using the GLAFIC lens models #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Collett's ears pricked up: can we use galaxy sizes to help constrain the Pangloss mass model? Treu says something encouraging #IPMUIens





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Nightingale: are these galaxies well modeled by elliptically symmetric Sersic profile light distributions? Most seem ok with this [#IPMUIens](#)



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

For an encore, Kawamata converts L to M^* to M_{vir} and finds the mean ratio of eff radius to virial radius is constant from $z=4$ to 8 [#IPMUIens](#)



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Kawamata's 54 lensed galaxies lie on a rough $z=7-8$ size luminosity relation that seems to be steeper than the one at $z=4-5$ [#IPMUIens](#)



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Kawamata is using the celebrated GLAFIC mass model to fit Sersic surface brightness models in the source planes, as one should [#IPMUIens](#)



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Now Ryota Kawamata is talking about measuring galaxy sizes at $z=7-8$. They're small! What do the HST frontier fields say? [#IPMUIens](#)



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Mao asks, where are the counter images? Barone-Nugent doesn't have time for lens finding, he's got a high z LF to measure! [#IPMUIens](#)



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...which is to say (Barone-Nugent says) that the mag bias corrections to the LF are robust to assumptions about the deflectors [#IPMUIens](#)





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One ought to fit for the defectors as well as the sources, but Barone-Nugent thinks there is not much information on them... #IPMUIens



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Barone-Nugent: in fact, mag bias contains information about the luminosity function: bias estimates agree with the LF from counts #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Barone-Nugent: the LF in current $z=8$ surveys are not significantly affected by mag bias, but future $z=10$ surveys will be #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Barone-Nugent does indeed see magnification bias: bright sources have higher mag than faint ones. Blank fields are lens fields! #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Barone-Nugent is modelling every pair of foreground and background $z=7$ detection in BORG as a lens, and inferring magnification #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Barone-Nugent: mag bias should mean that blank field surveys for LBGs should contain lensed objects, esp close to massive ETGs #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Rob Barone-Nugent is next up, telling us about high z lensed galaxy surveying. Bayesian treatment of magnification bias, oh yeah #IPMUIens





Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Markus Werner is interested in the *statistics* of hyperbolic umbilics, he told me at tea. That's good, Dahle has a new example! #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Nice! Coe congratulates our hosts on the excellent performance of Oguri's GLAFIC lens modeling code in the HST FF challenge #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Looks like typical magnification uncertainties are 25%, based on lens models that use most information and agree with each other #IPMUIens



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Coe: magnification estimates for individual galaxies! most high z galaxies are magnified by less than 10, where errors are small #IPMUIens



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Coe: the parameters we are most interested in (counts, volume, colors) are not so affected by lens model uncertainty anyway #IPMUIens



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Coe predicts 70 $z > 9$ gals in FFs if early gal evol is gentle, 10x fewer if it's extreme. Predictions from diff lens models agree #IPMUIens



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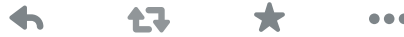
Coe: at high z, lensing boosts discovery at the bright end: this argument led to the 6 cluster HST frontier fields #IPMUIens





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Coe: "only a handful" of candidates at $z > 9$ - need more to understand galaxy evolution at these early times. #IPMUIens



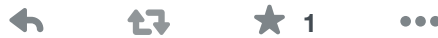
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Coe: fewer detected galaxies at $z=10$ than expected? Might imply dramatic evolution in the population in the first 500 Myr #IPMUIens



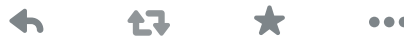
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Dan Coe now talking about the hunt for the most distant galaxies. He's interested in $z=8-11$ galaxy morphology! And reionization. #IPMUIens



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Keeton asks about the error budget: Bradac says it is *not* dominated by magnification (ie cosmic telescope lens calibration) #IPMUIens



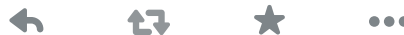
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Bradac: GLASS goal is to probe the patchy vs smooth reionization from the stats of Lyman alpha emitters. Evidence hints at patchy #IPMUIens



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Bradac: MOSFIRE follow up at Keck is still important for robust spectro id #IPMUIens



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Treu and Bradac are trying to measure $z=7-8$ galaxies spectroscopically with HST grism survey "GLASS" (the L stands for "lenses") #IPMUIens





samore @s_a_more · Nov 20

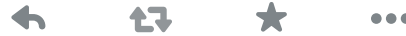
I would like to see two-d plots of Marusa's constraints from her SED fitting.

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Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Bradac sees the more numerous galaxies at the faint end of the LF, and her sample agrees with others' - so are old pops normal? #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

I guess we should think of Spitzer as a camera attached to a high mag cosmic telescope - forgot to mention SURFS UP uses lenses #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

Bradac sees old stellar populations even at $z=9.5$, when the age of the universe is only 500 million years or so #IPMUIens



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It's amazing that Spitzer can detect galaxies at $z=7$. Check out Bradac's SURFS UP program, it's the little telescope that could #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 20

#IPMUIens Thursday! Bradac is telling us various tales about surfing the high z universe. "Lensing is Fantastic!" (TM)



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Collett convinced me that both Jackpot SL and CFHTLens WL cos pars are accurate, because bias/uncertainty is small in each case #IPMUIens





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RT @SCTrager: As co-author on these papers, cool stuff, but still worry that stellar pop models pushed beyond reasonable limits #IPMUIens



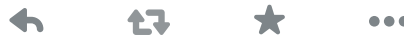
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RT @AstroRJS: Comparison depends on IMF shape. If allowed to change M_{low} (why not?), can reconcile low M/L with spec. #IPMUIens



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.@brendonbrewer Coe just asked about the possibility of learning basis sets from simulations; one issue is the realism of sims #IPMUIens



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Sense is that FF modeling comparison shows that cluster lenses are now calibrated well enough that mag errors don't dominate #IPMUIens



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Jauzac agrees: cluster modeling now limited by model bias, but also other systematics, including image identification #IPMUIens



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Discussion time at #IPMUIens! Meneghetti echoes Vegetti, saying that we are now limited by our modeling ability. Better algorithms/software!



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Maturi: PCA modeling gives very good fits with uncorrelated residuals, higher order unweighted moments can then be taken #IPMUIens





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Maturi: weighted moments do not work for flexion measurement. Instead, he proposes an "optimal" basis set from PCA decomposition #IPMUIens



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Maturi "thanks God we have other stars and not just our Sun, so we can measure the PSF" #IPMUIens



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Finally, Matteo Maturi is at #IPMUIens, talking about flexion in clusters. It's the gradients of shear and convergence! Should be good, no?



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Marioka's GRAMOR statistics look like arc statistics, but can be more sensitive to cosmology. J1149 is not ideal though, it seems #IPMUIens



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MT @novaric: Caterpillar is a typical case of merging pair attached to a single image: surface brightness and colors can differ #IPMUIens



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Marioka: cross section for GRAMOR production is quite sensitive to cosmology. First one found in cluster MACSJ1149 in 2009 #IPMUIens



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Masayo Marioka is working on "GRAMORS" - highly magnified but morphologically regular images #IPMUIens





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Campusano: KS test to compare simple model arc distributions with observed one. Concentrations seem high, model needs extending #IPMUIens



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Key to Campusano's work is an X-ray selected sample homogeneously imaged with VLT FORS1. Short exposures but that's ok! #IPMUIens



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Campusano switches gears: he's after cluster density profiles from arc statistics #IPMUIens



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I am greedy: maybe the star formation rate in the arc is high enough to hope for a supernova during the long monitoring campaign? #IPMUIens



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Dahle: system is similar to B1359, but with much larger image separation. Quasar host galaxy visible in HST images, looks clumpy #IPMUIens



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Dahle: NOT monitoring since 2012, 50% variability should enable time delay between merging pair images. #IPMUIens



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Dahle: LensTool model predicts 2 more images, 1 seen faint in correct position. Arc is naked cusp, time delays are 100s of days #IPMUIens





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Dahle: PS theres an arc at $z=2.3$ #IPMUIens



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Dahle: image separation is 15" (!), source redshift 2.82, with two faint central images confirmed spectroscopically. #IPMUIens



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Yes! An exotic lens from Hakon, a 6-image lensed quasar SDSSJ2222+2745! Found in SGAS visual search (Gladders et al) #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Vegetti asks: why isn't anyone fixing to the pixels? Grillo's reply: too much information! Bradac: images offset... Vegetti: and? #IPMUIens



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In contrast to yesterday's galaxy substructure discussion, today's #IPMUIens cluster speakers are all about testing on simulations!



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Lam doesn't use image brightness as model constraints, but his predicted image magnitudes are impressively self consistent #IPMUIens



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Lam: the caterpillar is an outlier (4") in predicted image position, rms is sub arcsec. Released image morphological look good! #IPMUIens



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Lam's a model is grid of Gaussians plus NFW halos for galaxies, some of them individually freed. Lots of model degeneracy to sample #IPMUIens



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Lam: using Diego's WSLAP code. Points out problem of counter image of "caterpillar" in A2744, tension with Jauzac? #IPMULens



samore @s_a_more · Nov 19

Perhaps Carrasco needs to consider correlated error bar on the concentration and mass estimates. Larger mass - lower concentration #IPMULens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Daniel Lam: free-form lens modeling of galaxy clusters, to try and get at high z source luminosity function #IPMULens



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Carrasco: rough consistency with predictions from Meneghetti's sims but it's noisy. Scatter increases when other samples overlaid #IPMULens



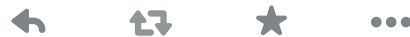
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Carrasco makes simple LensTool lens models, with prior on M200 from dynamics via Evrard et al 2008 formula #IPMULens



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Carrasco: spectroscopic observations of 29 RCS Giant Arcs sample clusters, to get velocity dispersions #IPMULens



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Next at #IPMULens Mauricio Carrasco is working on lensing and dynamics in clusters, trying to get at the concentration mass relation





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Grillo: simulated clusters under predict the number of subhalos, and also their masses. Tidal stripping in sims too fierce? #IPMUIens



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Grillo: the two main DM halos in the model are offset from the two BCGs, possibly interesting for SIDM. #IPMUIens



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Grillo and Suyu modeled MACSJ0416 with GLEE, with image positions as input data: they can predict them to 0.36" #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Grillo: CLASH-VLT is mapping out line of sight structures, and enabling dynamical mass estimates from caustics #IPMUIens



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OK, back to MACSJ0416 with Claudio Grillo. He's pointing out that substructure in clusters is a probe of WDM vs CDM vs SIDM #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Wong: low mass of $z=1.62$ lens implies no dark matter, or a Chabrier IMF. Stellar density is high, similar to Smith et al's lens #IPMUIens



Tom Collett @TomCollettAstro · Nov 19

Negative dark matter fraction is unphysical. K Wong at #IPMUIens



Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Wong's lensed source shows Lyman alpha at $z_s=2.26$, the lens galaxy has stellar mass $2 \times 10^{11} M_{\text{sun}}$. Einstein radius is 0.38" #IPMUIens

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Phil Marshall @drphilmarshall · Nov 19

Back from lunch here at #IPMUIens, Ken Wong is talking about a galaxy scale lens in a cluster at $z=1.62$

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Jullo degraded 2/3 of the multiple image spec-zs to photo-zs, and saw w_{DE} shift from -1 to -2. It's so good to break your toys! #IPMUIens

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I learnt more about cluster mass modelling accuracy in the last 20 minutes than I did in the previous ten years #IPMUIens

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Meneghetti: same code operated by different users leads to different reconstructions. We are part of our apparatus, people. #IPMUIens

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Meneghetti: magnification error varies systematically with azimuth relative to cluster major axis, but oppositely for Ares & Hera #IPMUIens

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Meneghetti: CATS team (LensTool, Jauzac) indeed recover the Ares critical curve. Hera is harder for everyone #IPMUIens

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Meneghetti: 8 teams submitted models blind. For Ares, parametric models recover profile to 2%; non parametrics have 10% scatter #IPMUIens

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samore @s_a_more · Nov 19

Wonder if Massimo already provides the strong lensing image positions or asked the modellers to find them in his data to be evil #IPMUIens



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Meneghetti: Hera is an N body DM simulated cluster, with galaxies painted on semi-analytically #IPMUIens



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Meneghetti: Ares was made with Giocoli's MOKA code, so LensTool should do *really* well, except they included an isodensity twist #IPMUIens



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Meneghetti's simulated HST images are incredible. 242 multiple images of 85 background UDF galaxies in the Ares cluster - wow #IPMUIens



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Meneghetti: realistic massive clusters, SkyLens generated images and derived catalogs, redshifted etc, distributed blind #IPMUIens



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Just in time, Meneghetti steps up to talk about the FF lens modeling comparison project, and the simulations involved #IPMUIens



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Jauzac reports, the plan for coping with line of sight cosmography contamination is to search for structures, and model them... #IPMUIens





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Jauzac showed a plot by Jullo where the cosmographic precision (in w or Om) improves by a factor of 6 with 10 times more images [#IPMUlens](#)



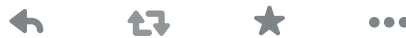
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Jauzac: FF lenses give the best handle on the faint end slope of the $z=7-8$ luminosity function [#IPMUlens](#)



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Jauzac: very significant difference between magnifications pre and post FF data; sims to probe systematics are essential [#IPMUlens](#)



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Jauzac's SL data for A2744 includes 159 multiple image constraints. Similar lenstool model precision to 0416 [#IPMUlens](#)



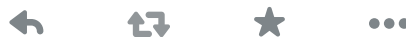
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Jauzac: merger scenario for MACSJ0416 is pretty complex, but they see some significant X-ray - mass peak offsets [#IPMUlens](#)



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Jauzac: MACSJ0416 LensTool model predicts image positions to rms of $0.68''$, measures mass to 1% precision, magnification to 4% [#IPMUlens](#)



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Jauzac's MACSJ0416 analysis includes 194 multiple images, and 100 weakly lensed galaxies per sq arcmin! [#IPMUlens](#)





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Jauzac is telling us about the HST Frontier Fields, and the highly constrained cluster mass models they enable #IPMUIens



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@AstroRJS I asked Barnabe if he would make the IMF vs IMF plot for his and Spiniello's XLENs sample; watch this space! #IPMUIens

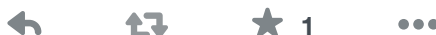


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Combining with Spinello's spectral IMF normalization, Barnabe finds (last night) a low mass IMF cutoff of 0.1 Msun #IPMUIens



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Barnabe sees some scatter, but Salpeter seems reasonable for all XLENs galaxies, 250 to 400 km/s. #IPMUIens



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Regarding the IMF, Barnabe measures gravitating stellar mass to better than 0.1 dex! Enables detailed comparisons with SPS models #IPMUIens



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Barnabe also finds that early type galaxy halos are slightly rounder than their galaxies, but it's marginal #IPMUIens



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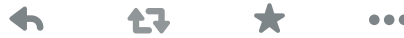
In the XLENs sample, Barnabe sees a strong anti correlation between DM fraction and stellar mass density #IPMUIens





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Barnabe's kinematic data come from X-Shooter: "poor man's IFU", but enough to reconstruct dark matter fraction profile #IPMUIens



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Barnabe applied axisymmetric gen NFW DM halo plus multi Gaussian expansion for stellar mass to the XLENS sample (from SLACS) #IPMUIens



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Barnabe: CAULDRON code enables self consistent lensing and resolved dynamics analysis (anisotropic Jeans models) #IPMUIens



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Barnabe: dynamics of $z=0$ massive galaxies have been studied "in painful detail" - lenses help meet the need for earlier galaxies #IPMUIens



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Barnabe is next up: detailed gravitational structure of massive (lens) elliptical. "Simplicity almost certainly deceitful" #IPMUIens



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Treu: papers by Dutton and Shankar each use holistic, empirical population models to investigate mean DM profile, and find NFW #IPMUIens



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Koopmans, looking to the future, is excited about larger samples but foresees a need to re-focus on unique applications... TBC! #IPMUIens





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Koopmans: heavier IMFs seen in more massive lens galaxies, so dark matter fraction within half an effective radius is \sim constant #IPMUIens



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Koopmans: separating stellar and dark mass means interpreting colors with stellar population synthesis models: opens up IMF study #IPMUIens



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Koopmans: many different strong lensing analyses demonstrate and quantify dark matter in galaxies, with and without dynamics #IPMUIens



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It's galaxies and clusters day at #IPMUIens! Koopmans is getting things started, talking about dark matter in galaxies



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@s_a_more The difference between pixelated and simply-parametrized source models? Seems to be the main difference in approach #IPMUIens



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Some skepticism that simulations prove accuracy, or that the time to simulate data is worth the cost.. Astronomers vs physicists? #IPMUIens



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Fascinating discussion about the necessity (?) of making realistic mock lenses to test accurate substructure measurement #IPMUIens





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Rusu: SDSSJ1405+0959 seems to have 2 lens galaxies, 3 quasar images and a host (or companion) galaxy separated from the quasar [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rusu's image positions are $\sim 10x$ more precise than those from Magellan, and his host galaxy model luminosities sit in the relation [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rusu: PSF stars not good enough for precision modeling; instead, fit for double Gaussian PSF model too [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rusu: Subaru LGSAO observations need a tip tilt star with mag < 18 st separation $< 90''$: he did 25 lenses in 3 nights, $\sim 10\%$ strehl [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rusu is the closer: AO observations of SDSS lensed quasars with Subaru IRCS [#IPMUIens](#)



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Tsupko: propose to study plasma in lens galaxies this way. Refraction is larger effect, need density profile. And then good data [#IPMUIens](#)



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Tsupko: in inhomogeneous medium need to consider refraction as well. Radio images expected to form ~ 1 mas from optical images [#IPMUIens](#)





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Tsupko: images will appear dispersed into prism spectra, like rainbow. Effect is only relevant at radio wavelengths #IPMUIens



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Tsupko: is gravitational deflection in homogeneous medium same as in vacuum? Answer is no if medium is dispersive, like in plasma #IPMUIens



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Tsupko! Gravitational lensing in the presence of plasma. Punchline: it's not achromatic #IPMUIens



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Nierenberg speculated about surface brightness limitations, I wondered about selection effects (but Treu is not too worried) #IPMUIens



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Yonehara: size must be much smaller than the unlensed size-luminosity relation. A puzzle! #IPMUIens



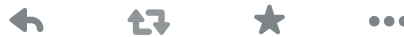
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Yonehara has good VLT SINFONI data: assuming a circular Gaussian source and power law lens, puts limits on size and slope #IPMUIens



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Yonehara wants to measure NLR sizes at high z, high L, using magnifying lenses. Problem is degeneracy with lens density profile #IPMUIens





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Yonehara is also looking at the narrow line region, and pondering its luminosity size relation, by seyfert type, and redshift #IPMUIens



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#IPMUIens tea break! Look at all these lovely people



Expand



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Wuyts: SGASJ1110 shows "string of pearls" giant arc with many small (100pc) star forming regions (Johnson et al) #IPMUIens



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Wuyts: SDSS giant arc survey found (after follow up) 170 new lenses; now being imaged with HST and modeled #IPMUIens



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Wuyts: "yesterday we heard that we should move away from visual identification of lenses, and after doing 40,000, I agree" #IPMUIens





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Wuyts has beautiful OSIRIS data that shows clumpy star formation and a merger velocity field, including a tidal tail [#IPMUIens](#)



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Wuyts: RCS0327 has an arc so bright it's visible in the DSS photographic plates. "I'll just give you a few moments to love that" [#IPMUIens](#)



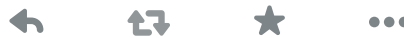
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Wuyts is focusing on star formation at $z=2-3$, "cosmic noon." Lens magnification enables resolution of HII regions ~ 100 pc in size [#IPMUIens](#)



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Eva Wuyts is looking at star forming galaxies through cosmic telescopes that other people have set up and calibrated. Good! [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hezaveh points out that the SPT and Herschel lenses have slightly different selection: SPT lenses are dustier, w/no optical light [#IPMUIens](#)



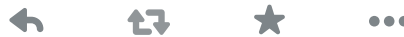
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Rybak: substructure potential corrections are being implemented, but required grids for VLBI are huge! [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rybak: effect is strongest in SPT0346, where the extended array resolves out a lot of flux. Looks like quite a compact source! [#IPMUIens](#)





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I wonder why Rybak's einstein radii error estimates are always 5-10 times larger than Yashar's. #IPMUIens



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Rybak's lens models are consistent between the two array configurations/resolutions but the source structure changes #IPMUIens



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Rybak is testing against Hezaveh's 2013 ALMA data and results, but using a pixelated source regularized in the image plane #IPMUIens



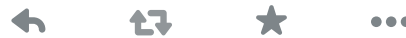
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Rybak is reminding us of the sparse sampling of radio interferometric data. I love how *work* has to be done to make an image #IPMUIens



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Matus Rybak is modeling radio lensing data in the uv plane, like Hezaveh - motivation is the high resolution of global VLBI #IPMUIens



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Nierenberg: narrow line observations are enlarging the sample of substructure lenses by a factor of 2-3 #IPMUIens



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Nierenberg: mass clump is $\sim 10^{7.5}$ Msun. But is 1 lens plane clump a good model? Need more data. OSIRIS upgrade (x2strehl) coming #IPMUIens





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Nierenberg: subhalo position and mass can be jointly constrained in B1422 by the narrow line image # fluxes and positions #IPMUIens



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Nierenberg: narrow line flux ratios only possible with spatially resolved spectroscopy. She's using Keck OSIRIS #IPMUIens



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Nierenberg points out the value of studying many different source types/sizes, to get complementary information on the subhalos #IPMUIens



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Back from lunch, Nierenberg is about to show us her narrow line region millilensing results #IPMUIens



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Takahashi: future work to include multi-plane lensing and sims with baryons #IPMUIens



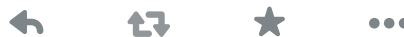
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Takahashi's prior predictive magnification anomaly PDFs easily contain the observed values, hence the all-understood conclusion #IPMUIens



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... And then ray trace through n-body sims (with Born approx) to predict convergence and shear distributions for each (Takahashi) #IPMUIens





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Takahashi is now elaborating: they use mid IR data for the fluxes, and CASTLES HST image positions, for 6 quads... #IPMUIens



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Inoue claims line of sight subhalos can account for all the flux ratio anomaly signal, and predicts signal will increase with z_s #IPMUIens



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Inoue: magnification perturbations also need nonlinear clustering - semi analytic halo model calculations predict 10-20% effects #IPMUIens



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Inoue: astrometric perturbations are induced by structures on wide range of scales, clusters to subhalos #IPMUIens



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Inoue: how does non-linear clustering affect predictions? In k space, weak and strong lens regimes separated at $k_{\text{len}} \sim 1/4\theta_E$ #IPMUIens



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Inoue now talking about line of sight structures - clumps, voids etc - as sources of flux ratio anomalies #IPMUIens



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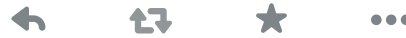
Vegetti and Wardlow suggest Morningstar and I add Evilness to the source, and to the beam, to try and break Hezaveh's inference #IPMUIens





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Hezaveh forecasts: 10 hour ALMA integration enables measurement of normalization of $P(k)$, 40 hrs gets the break too [#IPMUIens](#)



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Is it important to also consider the low mass halos in the line-of-sight while detecting substructures below detection limits? [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hezaveh: undetected subclumps behave like a Gaussian random field: power spectrum should be inferrable from the image residuals [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hezaveh: smaller sources are better for gravitational imaging. Joint analysis of frequency-resolved molecular clouds enables this [#IPMUIens](#)



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Or as Hezaveh puts it, "The Future is Here" [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hezaveh: ALMA is now in its highest resolution configuration, reaching PSF widths of 20-30 milliarcsec. Great for strong lenses! [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hezaveh describes the ALMA ring images and HST lens galaxy images as "conveniently mutually exclusive" [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hezaveh now telling us about measuring the DM power spectrum on sub-galactic scales, from Einstein ring fluctuation correlations [#IPMUIens](#)

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Vegetti emphasizes the need to look at pixelated potential perturbations to interpret the data... #IPMUIens

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Vegetti: to distinguish warm and cold DM, we need to push down in mass to $10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$ (25km/a). Options: AO imaging (SHARP), radio #IPMUIens

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Vegetti: 1 detection (SDSSJ0946) and 10 non detections is consistent with CDM; no sensitivity to line of sight vs lens plane yet #IPMUIens

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Are Simona's measurements of substructure fractions to the number density profile of subhalos and segregation by mass? #IPMUIens

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Vegetti: the error in subclump mass due to its density profile assumption is lower than the deprojection (unknown z) error #IPMUIens

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Vegetti is working with a representative subset of (high S/N) SLACS lenses, doing subclump detection by Bayesian model comparison #IPMUIens

← ↻ ★ ⋮



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Vegetti: gravitational imaging (Einstein ring brightness perturbations) picks up multiple substructures -> subhalo mass function #IPMUIens

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Discussion. Treu: is the CLASS sample odd, somehow? Koopmans: radio propagation effects? Hezaveh: weird density profiles? #IPMUIens



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CLASS sample of gravitational lenses too anomalous, or propagation effects within the galaxy affect the radio observations (!?) #IPMUIens



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Mao: however, the R_{cusp} values are unexpectedly high compared to his model: the fluxes seem to be too anomalous for CDM #IPMUIens



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Mao: account for selection effects etc by injecting substructure into real radio lenses. He finds $M < 10^5$ subhalos can be ignored #IPMUIens



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Mao's program is to predict $\text{Pr}(R_{\text{cusp}})$ and compare with $\text{Pr}(R_{\text{cusp}}|\text{data})$: he sees some interesting outliers, but model is incomplete #IPMUIens



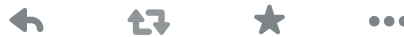
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Mao has to separate macro model from subhalos, so includes higher order shape parameters, and constrains them with SDSS images #IPMUIens



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Shude Mao gets us started on substructure day at #IPMUIens: "I've been working in this field for 15 years and I'm still confused"





Astronomy Meetings @astromeetings · Nov 17

This week:

#wfirs2014 (wide-field infrared surveys),

#IPMUIens (strong lensing),

#dsu2014 (dark side of the universe)

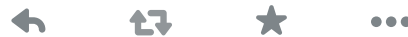
Anything else?



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Komatsu closes the discussion: he's convinced, strong lens cosmography is ON.

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Fassnacht: it's the PDF peaks, not widths that matter; stage 4 dark energy science is all about accuracy, not precision #IPMUIens



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Discussion time at #IPMUIens. Treu's reminding us of context, now and in the 2020s. Nothing is cheap, corroboration between probes vital



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Tests to be done with compound lenses: mass sheet robustness; first source mass model; including dynamics #IPMUIens



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Collett: only a dozen of those 100 compound lenses really contribute to the dark energy measurement: so it could be cheap #IPMUIens



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Still, Collett expects at least hundreds of galaxy scale compound lenses from Euclid: DE FoM of 40 or so, competitive at stage 4 #IPMUIens





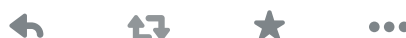
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Collett's forecasts show future samples dominated by systems with similar source redshifts; 0946 happens to be particularly good #IPMUIens



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Collett: in the Λ CDM model, the Jackpot provides higher precision on w than all the CFHTLenS weak lensing results. Precision. #IPMUIens



Russell Smith @AstroRJS · Nov 17

Catching up on first day of #IPMUIens through all the tweets from @drphilmarshall — thanks!



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Collett: in SDSSJ0946 (the Jackpot) the isothermal approximation for the second lens/first source *may* not be good enough #IPMUIens



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Collett's talk is reminding me that I am still not yet winning the argument that these objects should be called "compound lenses" #IPMUIens



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Collett: new observable from compound lenses is the ratio of Einstein radii. Easy systems are rare: cross section goes as M^4 #IPMUIens



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Last talk of the day: Tom Collett on cosmography with double source plane lenses #IPMUIens





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Jee: systematics are potentially lower, though, as mass sheet degeneracy is broken. Velocity anisotropy is main source of error #IPMUIens



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Jee: RXJ1131 measurements imply a precision for its angular diameter distance of 14%, cf 6% for time delay distance #IPMUIens



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This week: “Galaxies and Cosmology in Light of Strong Lensing” #IPMUIens at @KaviiIPMU



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Inh Jee now discussing lens angular diameter distance measurement, via physical size from lensing (mass) plus dynamics (potential) #IPMUIens



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Suyu: new COSMOGRAIL delays for HE 0435 improve H0 precision by a factor of two. Analysis is still blinded for now though! #IPMUIens



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Suyu et al are applying Chen's flexible PSF modeling technique to the HST data for HE0435 - some underfitting at AGN positions? #IPMUIens



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Suyu: H0LiCOW goal is to measure H0 to better than 4%, from a sample of 5 lenses, and explore new systematics #IPMUIens





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Both Rathna Kumar and Aghamousa are getting significant value from the TDC1 data post-challenge, which is cool [#IPMUIens](#)



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Fassnacht and I would like to see 1000 mock lenses analyzed in the same way, blind. We're not there yet but we've got a few years [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rathna Kumar et al infer H_0 to 8% from 11 lenses, with no high resolution follow up [#IPMUIens](#)



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Rathna Kumar aims to measure H_0 from an ensemble of lenses using the PixeLens modeling code, independent of H0LiCOW. Bring it! [#IPMUIens](#)



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I asked if it could be millilensing - Vegetti says "not by blobs!" but agrees that a more complex mass model could be the answer [#IPMUIens](#)



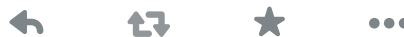
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Chen: reconstruction from real RXJ1131 AO data shows interesting residuals. Koopmans asks about chromatic effects, I'm not sure [#IPMUIens](#)



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Chen is showing some outrageously high quality results from his blind test, recovering both lensed source and fine structured PSF [#IPMUIens](#)





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Chen and Suyu are experimenting with simultaneous (iterative) PSF and lensed image modeling. Both models are grid based! [#IPMUIens](#)



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Chih-Fan Chen asks: Can AO provide as good images for time delay lens cosmography as HST? The problem is not knowing the PSF... [#IPMUIens](#)



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Aghamousa's inferred vs true time delay plot is awesome. Fassnacht notes sotto voce that he hopes the photo-z people are watching [#IPMUIens](#)



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Aghamousa and Shafieloo focused on keeping the success fraction high. Good! We need more time delay lenses [#IPMUIens](#)



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Aghamousa explaining their entry to the Time Delay Challenge: they use internal consistency in quads to estimate uncertainties [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hilbert's using the recursive-TCM interpretation of N-body sims, it seems to give a more faithful representation of CDM lens halos [#IPMUIens](#)



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Hilbert is also working on highly realistic (ie with non-simple lenses) high res mock images. We need this! [#IPMUIens](#)





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Hilbert is tasked with providing alt cosmology simulations for testing lens cosmography, perhaps with Angulo's rescaling trick [#IPMUIens](#)



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Keeton and Wong are modeling lines of sight containing multiple clusters. Meanwhile Vegetti worries about small dark perturbers [#IPMUIens](#)



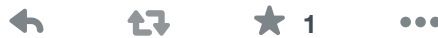
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Keeton is not worried about the mass sheet degeneracy, arguing that including any external information, Pangloss style, breaks it [#IPMUIens](#)



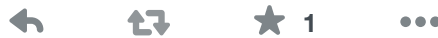
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Keeton: background perturbers can be treated as lens plane shear, foreground deflectors need to be included in the lens model [#IPMUIens](#)



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Keeton: in this tidal approxn, ext shear and convergence appear in linear deflections. We have a nonlinear tensor lens equation [#IPMUIens](#)



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Keeton: treat line of sight deflectors as quadratic potentials, with constant shear and convergence contributions [#IPMUIens](#)



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Keeton thanks anyone who slogged through all 100 equations in McCully et al 2014. (shuffles feet) [#IPMUIens](#)





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Keeton is now breaking his and McCully's multi plane lens theory to us, gently. Still, I sense some trepidation in the room #IPMUIens



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Fassnacht: halo model approach of Collett, Marshall et al doesn't use clustering or weak lensing, but it should. I agree! #IPMUIens



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Fasanacht: galaxy overdensity as a proxy for kappa_ext is the simplest possible approach, Koopmans describes it as "robust" #IPMUIens



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Fassnacht on B1608, wonders out loud what it says about him that he "fell in love with such a complex thing" #IPMUIens



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Fassnacht: the external convergence problem is close to his heart, as "B1608 is [his] favorite lens in the universe" #IPMUIens



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At coffee, Courbin suggested to me that Bayesians are more likely to fail at blind challenges, due to over-confidence #IPMUIens @davidwhogg



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Courbin is taking nightly VLT observations of HE0434, data's impressive. 0.4" seeing is a problem, as reference PSF stars saturate #IPMUIens





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Courbin: millimag variations on few day timescales (tracked with large telescopes) may provide sub-percent accuracy time delays #IPMUIens



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Courbin: multiple monitoring seasons are needed, because AGN variability and microlensing timescales are similar. 5 yrs minimum? #IPMUIens



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Courbin now reminding us how COSMOGRAIL achieves high precision lightcurves by stably deconvolving images from 1m-class telescopes #IPMUIens



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Treu & Meng: cosmology-grade follow-up of each LSST time delay lens will take 15 mins with TMT. 5 nights per year for 10 years? #IPMUIens



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Treu: where will the high resolution follow up come from? Lens modelling H0 errors: LSST, Euclid >10%, WFIRST 5%, TMT < few % #IPMUIens



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Treu, humbly, on attempting cosmography with 1000 lenses: "everyone's got a plan until they get punched in the face" (M. Tyson) #IPMUIens



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Treu gets the Kavli #IPMUIens meeting going with some future predictions, despite the warnings of Yogi Berra



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