Singular Perturbations and Gravitational Lensing

Singular perturbation example: $\epsilon x^2 + x + 1 = 0$ Unperturbed solution: $\epsilon = 0 \rightarrow x = -1$ Perturbed solution: $[\epsilon] > 0 \rightarrow 2$ roots One of the root goes to infinity when $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ Perturbation is singular

Are gravitational lenses related to singular perturbation theory ?

Singular perturbative theory of strong lenses A new approach to map dark matter at galactic scale



Gravitational lenses: degeneracy



Potential is constrained in the neighborhood of the critical circle only A familly of models meet such constraint: model degeneracy **Non degenerate representation: perturbative theory ?**

Perturbative ? but strong lensing is highly non-linear ?



Response to a small pertrubation very large...hopeless ? Actually $\Delta \theta$ is large but dr is small (arcs forms near the critical circle) Nearly round solution

$$\phi(r, \theta) = \phi_0(r) + \epsilon \psi(r, \theta)$$
$$r_s \equiv \epsilon r_s$$

Problem how to derive the response to the perturbation ? Attempt by Blandford & Kovner (1988): found a perturbative equation for caustics, but could not derive any equation for images reconstruction (try to make geometrical construction from caustics) -

Generic problem with prediction of image positions ($\Delta \theta$ large)

...something's missing...

The singular perturbative solution



The perfect ring situation: a point centered at the center of a cicular lens An image of the point exists at all θ -> considering any perturbed point, there is always an un-perturbed point at the same θ - Problem of large $\Delta \theta$ is solved. Only *dr* has to be estimated. The perturbative equations

(Alard 2007)

Working near perfect ring (r=1) $r=1+\epsilon dr$

Perturbation of perfect ring $\varphi = \varphi_0(r) + \epsilon \psi(r, \theta) = a_0 + 1 + \epsilon dr + \epsilon (f_0(\theta) + \epsilon f_1(\theta) dr)$ $\vec{r}_S \equiv \epsilon \vec{r}_S$

Perturbative response: dr given by perturbative lens equation

$$\vec{r}_{s} = \vec{r} - \nabla \vec{\varphi}$$
$$\vec{r}_{s} = (\kappa_{2} dr - f_{1})\vec{u}_{r} - \frac{d f_{0}}{d \theta} \vec{u}_{\theta}$$

The perturbative response is entirely controlled by 2 functions of θ , $f_0(\theta)$ and $f_1(\theta)$ the 2 first derivatives of the potential on the unit circle

The circular solution

$$\vec{r}_s = \tilde{\vec{r}}_s + \vec{r}_0$$
, $\tilde{f}_i = f_i + x_0 \cos \theta + y_0 \sin \theta \rightarrow \vec{r}_s = (\kappa_2 dr - \tilde{f}_1) \vec{u}_r - \frac{d \tilde{f}_0}{d \theta} \vec{u}_{\theta}$

$$\left\|\vec{r}_{s}\right\| = R_{0} \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad dr = \frac{1}{\kappa_{2}} \left(\tilde{f}_{1} \pm \sqrt{R_{0}^{2} - \left(\frac{d \tilde{f}_{0}}{d \theta}\right)^{2}} \right) \qquad \text{Image formation} \rightarrow \qquad \left|\frac{d \tilde{f}_{0}}{d \theta}\right| < R_{0}$$



Image formation in perturbative theory





An application to SL2S02176-05131



Perturbative fields reconstruction



For circular source f_1 is the mean image position



Fitting the fields to reproduce HST data











Potential iso-contours



Inner versus outer contributions

$$\phi = \sum_{n} \frac{a_{n}(r)}{r^{n}} \cos n\theta + \frac{b_{n}(r)}{r^{n}} \sin n\theta + c_{n}(r)r^{n} \cos n\theta + d_{n}(r)r^{n} \sin n\theta$$

$$a_{n}(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{r} \sigma(u, v) \cos nv \ u^{n+1} du dv$$

$$b_{n}(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{r} \sigma(u, v) \sin nv \ u^{n+1} du dv$$

$$c_{n}(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{1}^{\infty} \sigma(u, v) \cos nv \ u^{1-n} du dv$$

$$d_{n}(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi n} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{1}^{\infty} \sigma(u, v) \sin nv \ u^{1-n} du dv$$

$$f_{1} = \sum_{n} n(a_{n} - c_{n}) \cos n\theta + n(b_{n} - d_{n}) \sin n\theta$$
$$\frac{df_{0}}{d\theta} = \sum_{n} -n(b_{n} + d_{n}) \cos n\theta + n(a_{n} + c_{n}) \sin n\theta$$



Geach etal. 2007 small group (Subaru/XMM-Newton)



Angle 9.9/16 – Ellipticity consistent with velocity dispersion ratio

Perturbative fields reconstruction



Complete first guess estimation of fields



Fitting the fields to reproduce HST data

Source reconstruction

fold the image to the source plane using the perturbative lens equation



Ray-trace the source to obtain images, and convolve with HST PSF















Inner versus outer contributions

Iso-contours: original image

Iso-contours: model resconstruction profiles from isolated galaxies

Conclusion: the 3 galaxies share a common outer halo Obvious sign of merging process

Color spectrum of the 4 images

Blue images: part of source inside caustics

Red images: part of source outside caustics

Color spectrum of half images (first 2 images)

Implications

Previously: dark matter at the scale of clusters (weak lensing) Bullet cluster --> difficult for MOND But the following problems: Missing baryon mass in clusters (old problem...still there ?) Distance of galaxies in the bullet cluster not very well known

New result: probing dark halo's at a new mass scale dark matter structure at the scale of galaxies Not much problem with missing baryons Small group, galaxies all the same...

What will be extracted from a large sample of lenses ?

Statistical spectral decomposition of the fields

do not go much beyond order 2

Small substructures can have large effects on arcs

Perturbator mass= 1%

Near Cusp singularity Elliptical lens

Interpretation

The signature of substructure in the perturbative theory (Alard 2008)

Substructures introduce power law tails in the power spectrum (tend to dominate higher orders)

Amplitude of the power spectrum perturbation identical for the 2 fields

Large slope of the perturbation near the substructure - strong morphological effects on arcs

- short scale perturbation

Finding substructure using the perturbative theory of strong lenses Will be very much like measuring shear in weak lensing

Know the intrinsic properties of galaxies Perturbative strong lensing: galaxies power spectrum Weak lensing: galaxies ellipticities

Estimate residuals Perturbative strong lensing: Power law tails due to substructures Weak lensing: Shear

Results: Perturbative strong lensing: fraction of mass in substructures Weak lensing: halo mass

Practical implementation of this project: Sebastien Peirani (IAP) Peirani etal (2008)

Consequences

Comparison of statistical power spectrum to power spectrum of light distribution: constraints on gravity and dark matter mass Sebastien Peirani (IAP)

Estimation of substructure mass fraction If dark substructures: proof of CDM model If not or weak signal: constraints on the dark matter model (particle mass, particule type,...warm dark matter ?) Kev particule mass: De Vega & Sanchez