

Introduction to Cosmology

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The acceleration of the i^{th} galaxy in the coma cluster is given by ,

$$\ddot{\vec{x}}_i = G \sum_{j \neq 1} m_j \frac{\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_i}{(\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_i)^3} \quad (1)$$

The gravitational potential energy of the system of N galaxies is

$$W = -\frac{G}{2} \sum_{j \neq 1} \frac{m_i m_j}{\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_i} \quad (2)$$

The potential energy of the cluster can also be written as,

$$W = -\alpha \frac{GM^2}{r_h} \quad (3)$$

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The kinetic energy associated with the relative motion of the galaxies in the cluster is,

$$K = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i m_i |\dot{\vec{x}}_i|^2 \quad (4)$$

The kinetic energy K can also be written in the form

$$K = \frac{1}{2} M \langle v^2 \rangle \quad (5)$$

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The moment of inertia is also an important factor to understand when we try to understand the radial velocities of galaxies. Hence the moment of inertia can be written as,

$$I = \sum_i m_i |\vec{x}_i|^2 \quad (6)$$

The moment of inertia in terms of the potential and kinetic energy can be written as,

$$\ddot{I} = 2 \sum_i m_i (\vec{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i + \dot{\vec{x}}_i \times \dot{\vec{x}}_i) \quad (7)$$

(7) can be written as,

$$\ddot{I} = 2 \sum_i m_i (\vec{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i) + 4K \quad (8)$$

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From equation (8) we can formulate the expression for potential energy.

$$\sum_i m_i (\dot{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i) = G \sum_i m_i m_j \frac{\dot{\vec{x}}_i \times (\vec{x}_j - \vec{x}_i)}{|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|^3} \quad (9)$$

$$\sum_i m_i (\dot{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i) = \sum_j m_j (\dot{x}_j \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_j) \quad (10)$$

Using equations (9) and (10),

$$\sum_i m_i (\dot{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i) = \frac{1}{2} [\sum_i m_i (\dot{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i) + \sum_j m_j (\dot{x}_j \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_j)] \quad (11)$$

$$\sum_i m_i (\dot{x}_i \times \ddot{\vec{x}}_i) = -\frac{G}{2} \sum_{ij} \frac{m_i m_j}{|\vec{x}_i - \vec{x}_j|} = W \quad (12)$$

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We can substitute this relation in equation (8),

$$\ddot{I} = 2W + 4K \quad (13)$$

This relation is known as the virial theorem

If $I = \text{constant}$, then the steady-state virial theorem is,

$$0 = W + 2K \quad (14)$$

$$K = -\frac{W}{2} \quad (15)$$

Using (3) and (5) in (15),

$$\frac{1}{2}M\langle v^2 \rangle = \frac{\alpha GM^2}{2r_h} \quad (16)$$

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Using this we can calculate the mass of the cluster with the help of virial theorem,

$$M = \frac{\langle v^2 \rangle r_h}{\alpha G} \quad (17)$$

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About the coma Cluster.....

$$z = 0.0232 \quad (18)$$

$$d_{coma} = \left(\frac{C}{H_0} \right) \langle z \rangle = 99 Mpc \quad (19)$$

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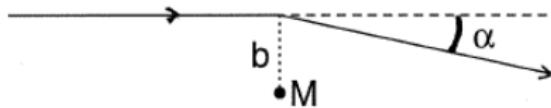
$$v_r = cz = 6960 \text{ km s}^{-1} \quad (20)$$

$$r_h = 1.5 \text{ Mpc} = 4.6 \times 10^{22} \quad (21)$$

$$M_{coma} = \frac{\langle v^2 \rangle r_h}{\alpha G} \approx 2 \times 10^{15} M_0 \quad (22)$$

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Gravitational Lensing



From Einstein's theory of General Relativity, If a photon passes such a compact massive object at an impact parameter b , the local curvature of space-time will cause the photon to be deflected by an angle

$$\alpha = \frac{4GM}{c^2b} \quad (23)$$

If the MACHO is exactly along the line of sight between the observer and the lensed star, the angular radius of the image produced is given by,

$$\theta_E = \left(\frac{4GM}{c^2b} \frac{1-x}{x} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad (24)$$

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Dark Matter - Probably the matter which matters the most.
What is it? Why do we care so much about it? What is its significance in our universe?