HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE WEAK-LENSING STUDY OF THE GALAXY CLUSTER XMMU J2235.3−2557 AT z ∼ 1.4: A SURPRISINGLY MASSIVE GALAXY CLUSTER WHEN THE UNIVERSE IS ONE-THIRD OF ITS CURRENT AGE*

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ABSTRACT

We present a weak-lensing analysis of the z ∼ 1.4 galaxy cluster XMMU J2235.3−2557, based on deep Advanced Camera for Surveys images. Despite the observational challenge set by the high redshift of the lens, we detect a substantial lensing signal at the > 8σ level. This clear detection is enabled in part by the high mass of the cluster, which is verified by our both parametric and non-parametric estimation of the cluster mass. Assuming that the cluster follows a Navarro–Frenk–White mass profile, we estimate that the projected mass of the cluster within r = 1 Mpc is (8.5±1.7)×10¹⁴ M⊙, where the error bar includes the statistical uncertainty of the shear profile, the effect of possible interloping background structures, the scatter in concentration parameter, and the error in our estimation of the mean redshift of the background galaxies. The high X-ray temperature 8.6±1.3 keV of the cluster recently measured with Chandra is consistent with this high lensing mass. When we adopt the 1σ lower limit as a mass threshold and use the cosmological parameters favored by the Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe 5-year (WMAP5) result, the expected number of similarly massive clusters at z > 1.4 in the 11 square degree survey is N ∼ 5 × 10⁻³. Therefore, the discovery of the cluster within the survey volume is a rare event with a probability < 1% and may open new scenarios in our current understanding of cluster formation within the standard cosmological model.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Despite quite a few concerted efforts over the past decade, the number of confirmed X-ray emitting clusters at redshifts beyond unity is still small. This rarity is not surprising when we consider both the hierarchical buildup of structures (i.e., evolution of mass function) and the observational challenges (i.e., cosmological surface brightness dimming). Because the abundance of these z > 1 clusters is extremely sensitive to cosmological parameters (particularly, the matter density of the universe Ω_M and its fluctuation θ), every individual cluster in this redshift regime deserves a careful study of its observables closely related to the mass properties.

Although still efficient in finding massive z > 1 clusters, X-ray observations alone do not provide a secure constraint on their masses. This is not only because the X-ray photons are scarce in this redshift regime, but also because a significant fraction of the z > 1 clusters are likely to deviate from hydrostatic equilibrium—the key justification for the use of X-rays in cluster mass estimation. Gravitational lensing is thus highly complementary to the X-ray technique in that the method does not rely on the dynamical state of the mass that it probes. This advantage over other methods grows with increasing redshift (while there still remain a sufficient number of background galaxies) because we expect to find more and more unrelaxed, forming clusters in the younger and younger universe. One caveat, however, is that the mass estimation using only weak lensing suffers from the so-called mass-sheet degeneracy, which effectively induces an additional uncertainty in the mass determination. Nevertheless, this degeneracy can be lifted by imposing that the cluster mass profile is approximated by a parameterized mass profile, and this assumption is less dangerous than the equilibrium hypothesis in X-ray studies when non-thermal X-ray emission is likely to play an important role.

However, it is observationally challenging to perform a lensing analysis of z > 1 clusters. The reason is two-fold. First, as the lenses are already at high redshifts, the number of background galaxies is substantially small. Second, the shapes of these background galaxies, only slightly larger than a typical seeing in ground-based observations, are highly subject to systematics of the instrument. This is why deep, space-based imaging is essential in weak-lensing analysis of high-redshift clusters. Until now, only three z > 1 clusters, namely RDCS...
1252.9—2927 (Lombardi et al. 2005), Lynx-W, and Lynx-E (Jee et al. 2006), have been measured through weak lensing with the Advanced Camera for Surveys (ACS) on board Hubble Space Telescope (HST). These studies demonstrate the ability of ACS to detect lensing signals for $z > 1$ objects with moderately deep exposures ($\sim 5\sigma$ at 28 ABmag).

In this paper, we present a weak-lensing analysis of the high-redshift cluster XMMU J2235.3−2557 (hereafter XMM2235) at $z \simeq 1.4$ using deep ACS images. It is the highest redshift cluster known to date measured with weak lensing; the previous record holder is Lynx-W at $z = 1.27$ (Jee et al. 2006). The cluster was discovered in a serendipitous cluster search in archival XMM-Newton observations (as part of the XMM-Newton Distant Cluster Project (XDCP) survey, Mullis et al. 2005). The high X-ray temperatures of $6.0^{+2.5}_{-1.8}$ keV from XMM-Newton and the velocity dispersion of $765 \pm 265$ km s$^{-1}$ from 12 galaxies in the redshift range $1.38 < z < 1.40$ (Mullis et al. 2005) indicate that XMM2235 might be a massive cluster at $z = 1.4$. The recent Chandra measurement of $T_X = 8.6^{+1.2}_{-1.0}$ keV (Rosati et al. 2009) suggests an even higher mass. As the X-ray morphology is nearly symmetric and there is a presence of a significant cool core (Rosati et al. 2009), the high temperature might be attributed to a high mass rather than a possible merging activity. Because the expected number density of such a massive cluster is extremely low at $z = 1.4$, the mass by itself (even though it is a single cluster) can have interesting implications on cosmological parameters. However, this interpretation needs an independent confirmation by weak lensing, which as mentioned above gives a reliable mass estimate without any assumption on the dynamical phase of the cluster when the universe is one-third of its current age.

Throughout the paper, we use a $(h, \Omega_M, \Omega_{\Lambda}) = (0.7, 0.3, 0.7)$ cosmology unless explicitly stated otherwise. The plate scale is $\sim 8.4$ kpc arcsec$^{-1}$. All the quoted uncertainties are at the $1\sigma$ ($\sim 68\%$) level. All magnitudes are given in the AB system (Oke & Gunn 1983).

2. OBSERVATIONS

2.1. Basic ACS Data Reduction

XMM2235 was observed with the Wide Field Camera (WFC) both as a part of Guaranteed Time Observation (GTO; PROP ID 10698; Ford 2005) and as a part of Guest Observation (GO; PROP ID 10496; Perlmutter 2005) during the periods of 2005 June–July and 2006 April–July, respectively. The total exposures in F775W and F850LP (hereafter $i_{775}$ and $z_{850}$, respectively) are 8150 s and 14,400 s, respectively. Low level CCD processing (e.g., overscan, bias, and dark subtraction, flat-fielding, etc.) was performed with the standard STScI CALACS pipeline (Hack et al. 2003), utilizing the latest available WFC calibration data. On the other hand, the high-level science images were created through the “apsis” pipeline (Blakeslee et al. 2003). The main tasks of apsis include geometric distortion correction via drizzle (Fruchter & Hook 2002), sky subtraction, cosmic-ray removal, and precise image alignments. The precise shift measurements are important, and the current alignment accuracy ($\lesssim 0.02$ pixels) of apsis through the “match” program (Richmond 2002) meets the weak-lensing requirement. We use the Lanczos3 kernel in drizzling with the native ACS pixel scale (0.05 pixel$^{-1}$). The Lanczos3 kernel closely mimics the sinc interpolation, which is the theoretically optimal interpolation method. The merits of the kernel include sharper point spread functions (PSFs) and less noise correlations.

Figure 1 shows the pseudocolor composite of XMM2235 created from the pipeline output (north is up and east is left). We use the $z_{850}$ and $i_{775}$ images to represent the red and blue intensities, respectively, while the average of the two filters is chosen to show the green intensity. Some exposures in PROP ID 10496 were taken $36^\circ \sim 40^\circ$ rotated with respect to the PROP ID 10698 data, and therefore the outline of the combined image is roughly an eight-cornered star (left panel). The right panel displays the blown-up image of the central $30'' \times 30''$ region approximately centered on the Brightest Cluster Galaxy (BCG).
We observe the overdensity of red early-type galaxies whose colors are consistent with that of the red sequence at $z = 1.4$. Also seen are some indications of strong-lensing features; the yellow arrow points at the arc candidate with a tentative redshift of $\approx 3.3$.

2.2. Object Detection and Photometry

We performed object detection and photometry by running SExtractor (Bertin & Arnouts 1996) in dual image mode. That is, the objects are detected on the same detection image, whereas the photometry is performed on each filter image, which enables us to define consistent isophotal areas between the $i_{775}$ and $z_{850}$ filters. The detection image was created by weight-averaging the $i_{775}$ and $z_{850}$ images. We searched for at least five connected pixels brighter than the sky rms by a factor of 1.5. After manually discarding $\sim 540$ spurious objects (e.g., saturated stars, diffraction spikes, uncleaned cosmic rays near field boundaries, H II regions inside nearby galaxies, etc.), we obtained a total of 3,035 objects. SExtractor's MAG_ISO was used to calculate colors. For other purposes, we adopt SExtractor's MAG_AUTO as the object's total magnitude.

2.3. PSF Modeling and Shape Measurement

Weak-lensing extracts signals from subtle distortion of the shapes of background galaxies, and thus the success lies in one's ability to separate intrinsic gravitational lensing distortion from other systematic effects. The most important systematics is the effect caused by the PSF of the instrument. A PSF is seldom isotropic and its ellipticity, if uncorrected, induces a false lensing signal. In addition, even if the PSF is isotropic, it dilutes the efficiencies of source galaxies, which should be taken into account for quantitatively correct interpretation of the lensing signal. Although ACS PSFs are smaller than any of the existing ground-based telescopes, it is still important to correctly model the PSF to make the most of the superb resolution of the ACS. The level of the PSF correction determines the size of the smallest galaxies (thus the number density) that can be used for a lensing analysis.

It has been noted that ACS PSFs vary across the field and that also this position-dependent pattern changes over time (Krist 2003). Fortunately, the PSF pattern seems to be repeatable (Jee et al. 2007a). From extensive studies of more than 400 stellar field images, we found that when two observations were taken under a nearly identical condition (we believe that the focus is the dominant factor, but other effects such as tilting of the detector plane might be also present), their PSF patterns resemble each other closely. This repeatability enables us to sample ACS PSFs from dense stellar fields and apply them to weak-lensing fields, where high S/N stars are sparse (e.g., Jee et al. 2005a, 2005b, 2006, 2007b; see also Schrabback et al. 2007 for an independent analysis and application to cosmic shear data).

In this paper, we use the ACS PSF model of Jee et al. (2007a). The model uses the basis functions obtained from a principal component analysis (PCA), whereas our older PSF model (Jee et al. 2005a, 2005b, 2006, 2007b) relied on shapelets (Bernstein & Jarvis 2002; Refregier 2003). Although shapelets are reasonably efficient in orthogonal expansion of ACS PSFs, PCA by construction provides the most compact basis functions, which captures more details with a much smaller number of basis functions. This PSF model based on the PCA was recently applied to our weak-lensing analysis of CL J1226+3332 at $z = 0.89$ (Jee & Tyson 2009).

Our stacked images of the $i_{775}$ and $z_{850}$ filters consist of 10 and 35 exposures, respectively. Because we choose to measure object shapes in the final stacked image (alternatively, one can estimate a shape exposure-by-exposure and later combine all the shapes), we need to model the PSFs in a somewhat complicated way. The PSF of a given object in the final science image is the result of superposition of many PSFs from different exposures. Hence, we first determined a PSF pattern for each exposure by finding a best-matching PSF template from the PSF library by comparing the shapes of the high S/N stars to the model. To account for charge transfer inefficiency (CTI) effect, the PSFs in this template are slightly modified at this stage (see Section 2.4 for details of our CTI correction method). Then, we applied the required offsets and rotations to this set of PSFs in a similar way that we were registering individual exposures to the final mosaic. Finally, we combined all the contributing PSFs by weighting each PSF with the exposure time. Comparison of these model PSFs with the observed PSFs (star images in the stacked images) provides an important sanity check. Figure 2 shows that our $i_{775}$ PSFs constructed in this way (left) closely
represent the observed PSFs (middle). The residual ellipticities shown in the right panel are small $\langle |\delta e|^2 \rangle^{0.5} \simeq 0.01$ and have no preferential direction.

We found that the shape analysis result in the $z_{850}$ image is unsatisfactory, and we decided to confine our shape analysis to the $i_{775}$ image. This is because in the $z_{850}$ image (1) the PSFs are larger (thus giving poorer constraint for small objects), (2) the shapes are more color dependent (note that our PSF model for the $z_{850}$ filter represents a mean color of the used globular cluster), and (3) the source population that we choose to use has substantially lower S/N value in the $z_{850}$ passband despite the ~80% longer integration time. In principle, one can try to combine the shapes from both the $i_{775}$ and $z_{850}$ images by assigning properly higher weights to the $i_{775}$ shapes. However, it is non-trivial to rigorously model all the contributing errors (especially, color-dependent PSF shapes).

We measure galaxy ellipticities by fitting a PSF-convolved elliptical Gaussian to the images. Mathematically, this is equivalent to the method of Bernstein & Jarvis (2002), who proposed to iteratively shear objects to match a circular Gaussian until the quadrupole of the object vanishes. They implemented the method first by decomposing galaxy shapes with shapelets and then by applying shear operators to the shapelet coefficients until the object becomes round. We noted in Jee et al. (2007b), however, that directly fitting an elliptical Gaussian to the pixelized object reduces aliasing compared to the shapelet formalism, particularly when the object has extended features. Also, fitting a PSF-convolved elliptical Gaussian to pixelated images is more numerically stable for faint objects and provides straightforward error estimates in the resulting ellipticity.

### 2.4. CTI Correction

After charges are collected in each pixel of a CCD, they are transferred pixel-to-pixel in the column direction to the readout register. During the transfer, charge losses and redistribution occur because defects in the silicon undesirably trap and then release with a fast time constant some fraction of the charges. The effect is called CTI and is an important parameter in the characterization of the CCD performance. As the defects result mostly from radiation damage, CTI increases with time. In addition, because charge trapping happens every time charges are transferred across a trap, CTI is greater for pixels farther from the readout register. The release of the trapped charges during readout (with a short time constant that depends on the CCD temperature) redistributes the trapped charges into a "tail" along the column that points away from the shift direction. When there is significant radiation-induced charge trapping, this cascading effect is visually identified as CTI trails. In aperture photometry, CTI leads to underestimation of source fluxes, because obviously some charges trail outside the aperture. In weak-lensing analysis, where stringent shape measurement is required in addition to careful photometry, this charge trailing, if found significant, poses an additional difficulty in systematics control.

Riess & Mack (2004) reported that strong evidence for photometric losses is found in the parallel direction for ACS observations. As is the case for a typical CTI effect, they observed that ACS CTI grows with decreasing stellar flux and background, as well as with time. As a result, their CTI characterization includes these parameters, and the prescription is useful for aperture photometry. Rhodes et al. (2007) discussed the ACS CTI issue in the context of weak lensing and derived an empirical prescription to correct object ellipticity for the CTI-induced elongation.

In the current work, we independently investigate the CTI-induced charge trailing effect of ACS in object ellipticity measurement. Although the simple form of the solution by Rhodes et al. (2007) is appealing, their prescription cannot be readily applied to our analysis because their shape measurement and PSF correction schemes are different from ours.

Although it is possible to study the CTI-induced elongation from astronomical objects by assuming that without CTI the mean ellipticity over a large number of objects must vanish, we measure CTI-induced shape distortion using cosmic rays in the FLT (pre-drizzled) images of XMM2235. Because cosmic rays are not affected by the instrument PSF, the systematic elongation of the cosmic rays due to the CTI in the FLT images is nicely disentangled from the effect of the imperfection in PSF modeling and the residual geometric distortion. In addition, cosmic rays are numerous, and thus we can obtain useful statistics directly from the XMM2235 images themselves, which obviates the need for external calibration.

Cosmic rays were selected by looking for objects whose half-light radii are less than the stars and fluxes are greater 200 electrons; the flux distribution of cosmic rays is independent of exposure time and has a well-defined lower limit. This selection method, of course, misses a number of cosmic rays that occupy multiple bright pixels. However, this scheme still gives us a sufficient number of cosmic rays for a statistical analysis. We quantify the CTI-induced elongation with the mean ellipticity of cosmic rays. But for any systematics, the mean ellipticity should be consistent with zero; we used unweighted moments to compute ellipticity $[(a - b)/(a + b)]$ of cosmic rays.

Figure 3 shows the average $e_\varepsilon$ and $e_\alpha$ components of the ellipticity of cosmic rays whose S/N is greater than 10 as a function of the distance from the readout register for two data sets. The first data set (solid) containing $\sim 280,000$ cosmic rays is the XMM2235 data taken during the 2005 June–July period, and the second data set (dashed) containing $\sim 670,000$ cosmic rays was taken during the 2006 April–July period. The linear dependence of the charge elongation on the distance from the readout register is clearly observed (thick line). In addition, the slope is steeper for the second data set, which is taken approximately 1 yr after the first data set. When we assume that the slope is zero at the installation of ACS in the year 2002, it seems that the CTI slope increases almost linearly with time. These linear dependences of the CTI-induced elongation on both time and distance from register are consistent with the result of Rhodes et al. (2007). The $e_\varepsilon$ component (thin line) does not change as a function of the number of charge transfers as expected. However, there are subpercent (\(\lesssim 0.002\)) level biases toward the negative value (elongation in the 135° direction with respect to the $x$-axis), whose origins are unclear.

Now to investigate the flux dependence we divided the cosmic rays into 10 groups according to their flux (counts) and repeated the above analysis. In Figure 4(a), we display the result for the year 2006 data set. Note that for counts greater than $\geq 500$ the slope steepens for decreasing object counts. However, for counts $\lesssim 500$, the trend is reversed. It is easier here to observe the flux dependence of the CTI effect in Figure 4(b), where we plot the slope of the CTI-induced elongation against cosmic-ray counts. Closed circles show the slopes of the curves in Figure 4(a) versus cosmic-ray counts; the more negative the

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11 Quantitatively, charge transfer inefficiency is defined as the fraction of charge left behind in a single pixel transfer.
Figure 3. Elongation of cosmic rays by CTI in WFC CCDs. The XMM2235 data were taken in two periods of time, and here we show the CTI-induced elongation measured separately for each period. The symbols $e_+$ and $e_\times$ represent the ellipticity in the horizontal (vertical if negative) and the 45° (135° if negative) directions, respectively. The years 2005 and 2006 data sets contain $\sim 280,000$ and $\sim 670,000$ cosmic rays, respectively. We measured ellipticity using unweighted moments in the FLT files, and the WFC1 and WFC2 results were combined. As expected, the CTI-induced elongation ($e_+$) linearly depends on the number of charge transfers (distance from readout registers) and the time elapsed since the installation of ACS. The $e_\times$ component does not change as a function of the number of charge transfers, remaining close to zero. However, there are subpercent ($\lesssim 0.002$) level biases toward negative $e_\times$ (elongation in the 135° direction), whose origins are unclear at this moment.

Figure 4. Flux dependence of CTI-induced elongation. (a) We divided the cosmic rays of the year 2006 data set into 10 groups according to their flux (counts) and measured their elongation as a function of the distance from the readout register. For counts greater than $\gtrsim 500$, the slope steepens for decreasing flux. However, the trend is reversed for counts $\lesssim 500$. (b) The slope of the CTI-induced elongation vs. cosmic-ray counts. Closed circles show the slopes of the curves in (a) against cosmic-ray counts; the more negative the severer the CTI effect. It is easier here to observe the flux dependence of the CTI effect. We found that the count at the turnaround is determined by the background level. Open circles are for the subset of the 2005 data, which has longer exposures; the mean background here is $\sim 80$ electrons, whereas the mean background in the 2006 data set is $\sim 20$ electrons. The reverse of the trend happens at $\sim 1000$ electrons in this case. Although not shown here, from the archival ACS data we also noticed that for exposures as short as $\sim 30$ s the turnaround is not observed at least for counts $\gtrsim 200$ (because of the lower limit of the cosmic-ray flux, we could not probe the $\lesssim 200$ regime).

For a sanity check, we investigated also the $e_\times$ components of the ellipticity of the cosmic rays. If our selection criterion (half light radius) creates a bias toward low ellipticity for low flux cosmic rays, this can falsely masquerade as the mitigation of the CTI. Our analysis, however, shows that no gradual selection bias (as the S/N value decreases) toward low ellipticity is found in the above flux range.

Through photometry Riess & Mack (2004) reported a CTI mitigation for faint stars ($\lesssim 1000$ electrons) in the presence of substantial background ($\gtrsim$ a few tens of electrons/pixel). Nevertheless, their CTE parameterization ($\propto \text{SKY}^B \times \text{FLUX}^C$) with one set of parameters does not seem to indicate the presence of the explicit turnaround that we report here. However, our independent analysis of their data sets suggests that the effect might be also photometrically observable although the signal is weaker than in the current cosmic-ray analysis. We refer readers to the Appendix for the details of our independent test results.

Our finding of this non-monotonic dependence of the CTI-induced elongation on object counts is also different from the Rhodes et al.’s (2007) empirical correction, which assumes that the CTE-induced elongation increases continuously as the inverse of the objects’ S/N value. In our shape analysis, instead of attempting to derive an analytic solution, we arrange the above results in tables and use them by interpolation for each object.

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we measure object shapes with the stacked PSF that results from different exposures at different orientation, this CTI-correction scheme can be incorporated into our existing PSF-correction method. Although the CTI-induced elongation is not strict convolution, we approximate the effect by stretching the PSF in the y-direction in the CCD coordinate. We derived the stretching factor numerically through image simulations using real galaxy images.

Although our quantification of the CTI effect above is the result of our time-consuming efforts, we clarify here that, because the effect is small, the cluster weak-lensing analysis result presented hereafter is not significantly altered even if we omit the correction. As is detailed in Section 3.2, we select faint blue galaxies \(\{i_{775} - z_{850} < 0.5\text{ and }24 < z_{850} < 29\}\) as the source population. The mean S/N of these objects is \(\sim 10\) in the stacked \(i_{775}\) image (therefore, their S/N in individual exposure is much lower). According to the current analysis, we estimate that the ellipticity of the galaxies farthest from the register needs to be adjusted by \(\sim 0.01\) on average. Of course, this effect is small and thus negligible for common cluster weak lensing.

However, we stress that when one is looking for a much weaker signal on large scales (e.g., cosmic shear or galaxy-galaxy lensing) all these issues discussed above become critical in the quantification of the lensing signal, as well as in the removal of the B-mode signal.

3. WEAK-LENSING ANALYSIS

3.1. Basic Weak-lensing Theory

Many excellent reviews on the topic are available in the literature, and here we only summarize the basic weak-lensing theory suitable for the subsequent description. In a weak-lensing regime, where the characteristic length of the lensing signal variation is larger than the object size, the shape distortion is linearized as follows:

\[
\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x}) = \delta_{ij} - \frac{\partial^2 \Psi(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \kappa - \gamma_1 & -\gamma_2 \\ -\gamma_2 & 1 - \kappa + \gamma_1 \end{pmatrix},
\]

(1)

where \(\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{x})\) is the transformation matrix \(\mathbf{x}' = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}\), which relates a position \(\mathbf{x}\) in the source plane to a position \(\mathbf{x}'\) in the image plane, and \(\Psi\) is the two-dimensional lensing potential. The convergence \(\kappa\) is the surface mass density in units of critical surface mass density \(\Sigma_c = c^2 D(z_d)/(4\pi G D(z_s) D(z_d, z_s))\), where \(D(z_s), D(z_d), D(z_d, z_s)\) are the angular diameter distances from the observer to the source, from the observer to the lens, and from the lens to the source, respectively. The convergence \(\kappa\) and the shears \(\gamma_{i(2)}\) are related to the lensing potential \(\Psi\) via

\[
\kappa = \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_{11} + \gamma_{22}), \quad \gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\gamma_{11} - \gamma_{22}), \quad \gamma_2 = \gamma_{12} = \gamma_{21},
\]

(2)

where the subscripts on \(\gamma_{i(j)}\) denote partial differentiation with respect to \(x_{i(j)}\).

Equation (1) implies that a circular object gains an ellipticity\(^{12}\) of \(g = \gamma/(1 - \kappa)\) under the transformation.\(^{13}\) Because galaxies come with different shapes and radial profiles, a rigorous calibration must be made in order to make the practical shape measurements and the theoretical relation agree.

To a first order, an average ellipticity over a sufficient number of galaxies in a region samples the underlying shear \(g\). If we further assume \(g \simeq \nu\) (this assumption becomes increasingly invalid near the cluster core where \(\kappa\) is non-negligible), the surface mass density \(\kappa\) is directly obtained through the following convolution:

\[
\kappa(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int D^*(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \nu(\mathbf{x}') d^2 x,
\]

(3)

where \(D^*(\mathbf{x})\) is the complex conjugate of the convolution kernel \(D(x) = -1/(x_1 - i x_2)^2\).

A careful examination of Equation (1) soon reveals, however, that the ellipticity change induced by lensing is invariant under the \((\kappa \rightarrow 1 - \lambda + \lambda \kappa)\) transformation, where \(\lambda\) is an arbitrary constant. This invariance is often called a mass-sheet degeneracy, although the term is misleading as it can potentially and inadequately imply that the lensing signal is invariant under the introduction of a constant mass sheet when in fact a rescaling of \(\kappa\) is also required. In order to break the degeneracy, one must either (1) incorporate additional strong-lensing data (e.g., more than one multiple image systems at different redshifts) or (2) assume a specific \(\kappa\) value in some part of the field. In typical weak-lensing analyses, the second method is often the only available option, and the local \(\kappa\) value is determined by fitting parameterized models to the cluster’s reduced tangential shear profile.

Reduced tangential shears are defined as

\[
g_T = (-g_1 \cos 2\phi - g_2 \sin 2\phi),
\]

(4)

where \(\phi\) is the position angle of the object with respect to the cluster center. If no shear is present, the average of the tangential shear must vanish (or oscillate around zero). For a simple axisymmetric halo, we expect the value to reach its maximum near the Einstein radius and decrease for the increasing radius. Inside the Einstein radius, in principle the signal decreases rapidly, reaches its minimum (negative) at the radial critical curve, and vanishes. However, observationally it is challenging to measure the tangential shears reliably in this regime because of the small number of the source population, the high cluster member contamination, the halo substructures, etc.

Alternatively, instead of using the above convergence map, some authors choose to use the so-called aperture mass densitometry first suggested by Fahlman et al. (1994) and modified by Clowe et al. (1998). This method is preferred if the two-dimensional mass reconstruction significantly suffers from the artifacts mentioned above. In Jee et al. (2005a, 2005b), where this is not a concern, we demonstrated that this aperture densitometry gives a consistent result with the one from the direct use of the convergence map. Because this consistency is also observed in the current analysis, we omit the aperture densitometry result in favor of the direct use of the mass map.

3.2. Source Selection and Redshift Distribution Estimation

With only the two \((i_{775} \text{ and } z_{850})\) passband ACS images available, we follow the conventional approach: selection of faint galaxies bluer than the cluster red sequence. The redshifted 4000 Å break at \(z = 1.4\) is located on the red tail of the \(z_{850}\) filter transmission curve, and hence the \(i_{775} - z_{850}\) color is not an optimal filter combination. Nevertheless, the cluster red sequence of XMM2235 is still visible in the color–magnitude diagram as among the brightest and reddest (Figure 5). The diamond symbols represent the spectroscopically confirmed...
cluster members (1.38 < z < 1.40). We selected source galaxies with (i_{775} - z_{850}) < 0.5 and 24 < z_{850} < 29, while discarding objects whose S/N in the i_{775} filter is less than 5. After further removing objects whose ellipticity uncertainty is greater than δϵ > 0.2, we obtained a total of 1554 galaxies (~120 arcmin⁻²).

A potential problem in this approach is the possible contamination of the source catalog from the blue cluster galaxies. Considering the so-called Butcher–Oemler effect (Butcher & Oemler 1984), we expect a large fraction of the cluster members to be bluer than the red sequence. If the contamination is found to be significant, we must take into account the dilution in the estimation of the source redshift distribution. However, our test shows that the contamination, if any, is negligible. In Figure 6, the solid line shows the normalized number density of objects in the source catalog. When this is compared with the spectroscopically confirmed cluster members (1.38 < z < 1.40).

Great Observatories Origins Deep Survey (GOODS; Giavalisco et al. 2004) ACS data, no measurable excess is found; we applied the same color and magnitude selection to the objects in the GOODS field. Because the GOODS images are shallower than our cluster field, the number density turns around at brighter magnitude (z_{850} ~ 26.5). For galaxies fainter than this, we used the Ultra Deep Field (UDF; Beckwith et al. 2003) data to compare the number density. Although the depth difference causes the discrepancy at z_{850} > 26.5, we do not observe any excess in the 24 < z_{850} < 29 regime, either. This result is also presented in our previous papers (e.g., Jee et al. 2005a; Jee & Tyson 2009). Consequently, we disregard the dilution effect of the lensing signal by the cluster members (however, remember that the foreground contamination is still substantial).

We estimate the redshift distribution of the source population utilizing the publicly available UDF photometric redshift catalog (Coe et al. 2006). The ultra-deep images in six filters from F435W to F160W provides unprecedentedly high-quality photometric redshift information well beyond the limiting magnitude of the XMM2235 images. We binned our entire source population into 0.5 mag intervals and determined the redshift of galaxies in each bin using the UDF photo-z catalog while taking into account the difference in the number density. The photometric redshift distribution of source population is often expressed in terms of β:

$$\beta = \max \left[ 0, \frac{D(z_\text{L}, z_s)}{D(z_l)} \right].$$

We obtain ⟨β⟩ = 0.16 for the entire source population in the adopted cosmology; the foreground population is estimated to comprises about 45% of our source galaxies, and thus the contamination significantly dilutes the lensing signal. The value β = 0.16 corresponds to a single source plane at z_{eff} = 1.84 and gives a critical lensing density of Σ_c = 5950 M_⊙ h^{-2} at z = 1.4. Because the lens is at a high redshift, the uncertainty in the estimation of the effective redshift of the background galaxies is an important factor in the error budget; for example, a value of δz_{eff} = 0.1 would introduce a ~20% uncertainty in the mass estimation at z = 1.4, whereas the same δz_{eff} value would give rise to only a ~1% mass error for a z = 0.2 cluster. There are three critical issues in the estimation of the z_{eff} uncertainty: (1) the cosmic variance; (2) the resampling error; and (3) the difference among the photo-z estimation codes.
In order to assess the first issue, we repeated the above with the three photometric redshift catalogs obtained from the Hubble Deep Field North (HDF-N), the Hubble Deep Field South (HDF-S), and the Ultra-Deep Field Parallel Field (UDF-P). We used the photometric catalogs of Fernández-Soto et al. (1999) and Labbé et al. (2003) for HDF-N and HDF-S, respectively, to generate the BPZ catalogs. For UDF-P, we created the catalog using the archival ACS images of the field (Blakeslee et al. 2004). The resulting scatter for the source population in the XMM2235 field is \( \delta z_{\text{eff}} \approx 0.06 \), which translates into a ~10% uncertainty in the mass estimation.

Even if the reference field is assumed to be free from the cosmic variance, the application of the photo-z catalog of the reference field to the current cluster field inevitably introduces resampling errors. This scatter, however, is relatively small and estimated from bootstrapping to be ~0.03 (corresponding to a ~4% error in mass).

Apart from these cosmic variance and resampling errors, in general the choice of the estimation method (including the choice of spectral templates and priors) is also important. For example, in HDF-N we observe an offset as much as ~0.1 between the BPZ and the Fernández-Soto et al. (1999) results (see also Lombardi et al. 2005 for their discussion). However, the difference in results due to the employed method is substantially mitigated when photometric errors are small. Hence, for the galaxies in the UDF (where the typical 10σ limiting magnitude is \( z \approx 29 \)), we believe that this issue is not critical. Our experiments show that the amplitude of this bias is similar to the resampling error (~0.03).

Because the three errors above are independent, the total error is given as the sum in quadrature. Therefore, we estimate that about 11% error in mass is introduced by the uncertainty in \( z_{\text{eff}} \).

For a high-redshift cluster, understanding the width of the redshift distribution is also important in the translation of the observed signal. We obtain a value of \( \langle \beta^2 \rangle = 0.056 \), which relates observed reduced shears \( \gamma \) to true reduced shears \( g \) via \( g = [1 + (\langle \beta^2 \rangle / \beta^2 - 1) \kappa] g \). This correction is increasingly important for higher redshifts, and we include this relation in the subsequent analysis.

### 3.3. Two-dimensional Mass Reconstruction

Figure 7 shows the so-called “whisker” plot, which displays the smoothed (with a FWHM ~ 35” Gaussian) ellipticity distribution of the source galaxies. It is clear that the gravitational shear from the cluster causes tangential alignments of the sticks near the cluster center. It is possible to attempt to reconstruct a two-dimensional mass map directly from this smoothed ellipticity map with the \( g \sim \gamma \) approximation. One of the straightforward implementations of the technique is the Fourier-space inversion method of Kaiser & Squires (1993, hereafter KS93). As the KS93 algorithm is fast and easy to apply, it is still extensively used by many authors, although quite a few improvements have been suggested to minimize the artifacts in the KS93 method. One noteworthy problem is the spurious noisy structures near the field boundary. This arises mainly because (1) signals are weak and biased near the boundary and (2) masses outside the boundary can affect the shears inside. Seitz et al. (1998) showed that entropy-regularized mass reconstruction without smoothing galaxy shapes can suppress the boundary effect and also increase the resolution where the signal is strong. In this paper, we use the mass reconstruction code of Jee et al. (2007b), which modified the method of Seitz et al. (1998) so that strong-lensing data can be incorporated. Because we have neither identified the multiple image systems nor estimated photometric redshifts of individual galaxies, we proceed by turning off the strong-lensing capability of the code and also by assigning a single redshift of \( z_{\text{eff}} = 1.84 \) to source galaxies (however, using the above relation \( g' = (1 + 1.17k)g \) to account for the width of the redshift distribution). We refer readers to Jee et al. (2007b) for details of the algorithm.

We display our mass reconstruction results in Figure 8. The result obtained with the Jee et al. (2007b) code is shown in the left panel, and we show the KS93 version in the right panel for comparison. Although both reconstruction methods clearly detect the cluster with high significance, the KS93 result displays substantial gratuitous substructures near the field edges. These features have remarkably low significance in our maximum-entropy reconstruction, which effectively employs a larger smoothing kernel for a weaker lensing signal (see Jee & Tyson 2009 for a similar comparison). In addition, the method does not use the \( g = \gamma \) approximation, which non-negligibly misinterprets the observed ellipticity near the cluster center.

The mass peak is in excellent spatial agreement with the BCG and the X-ray peak (Figure 9). Together with the relaxed appearance of the mass and the gas, this agreement suggests that the cluster is not undergoing any violent merger. However, we note that the global mass centroid lies \( \sim 40'' \) toward west from the BCG. Because the cluster is at a high redshift, the chance that the cluster possesses any intervening foreground structure is high, and this potential foreground structure without being very massive can affect the mass reconstruction. However, our study of the current spectroscopic catalog of the field does not hint at this possibility. Moreover, the distribution of the red-sequence candidate galaxies near the cluster center \( \left( r \lesssim 40'' \right) \) is in good agreement with the mass distribution.
3.4. Tangential Shear and Mass Estimation

Adopting the location of the cluster BCG as the center of the cluster, we calculated the reduced tangential shears of XMM2235.3-2557 as a function of the radial distance. The filled circles in Figure 10 clearly indicate that the cluster mass systematically distorts the shapes of the source population out to $r \sim 140''$ (at $r \gtrsim 80''$ the annulus does not complete a circle). Because these data points are not correlated, the detection significance is very high ($\gtrsim 8\sigma$). The diamond symbols represent the results of the so-called “null” test, which is measured in the same way except that the source galaxies are this time rotated by 45°. Null tests are used to assess the amount of uncorrected systematics and the result in Figure 10 supports that...
no significant systematics are present. The error bars shown here only include the statistical uncertainty set by the finite number of used galaxies. Hoekstra (2003) pointed out that background large-scale structures are also important sources of uncertainty in cluster mass estimation. We followed the formalism of Hoekstra (2003) and estimated this contribution. Within the range \( r < 140' \), the induced uncertainty is \( \sigma_r \approx 0.01 \). These values are added in quadrature to the statistical uncertainty in our error analysis.

In fitting analytic mass profiles to the observed shear profile, we consider three parameterized models: singular isothermal sphere (SIS), Navarro–Frenk–White (NFW) profile, and non-singular isothermal (NIS) sphere models. The innermost data point at \( r \sim 10' \) being excluded, fitting a SIS model gives an Einstein radius of \( \theta_E = 6.05 \pm 0.75 \) with \( \chi^2 / \text{d.o.f.} = 0.73 \). This Einstein radius is valid for the effective redshift of the source population \( z_{\text{eff}} = 1.84 \), and thus it is interesting to examine if the value is consistent with the location of the arc to the east side of the cluster BCG. The tentative spectroscopic redshift of the object is \( z \simeq 3.3 \) and the resulting Einstein radius increases to \( \theta_E(z = 3.3) = 14' \pm 2' \), which is in good agreement with the distance of \( \approx 12' \) between the arc and the BCG (the study of this strong lensing configuration with additional observations is deferred to a forthcoming paper). The SIS result predicts a velocity dispersion of the cluster as high as \( 1145 \pm 70 \) km s\(^{-1}\), which is somewhat larger (however, the error bars marginally overlap) than the value 762 \pm 265 km s\(^{-1}\) measured from 12 spectroscopic members (Mullis et al. 2005). Nevertheless, this velocity dispersion that our SIS model predicts is consistent with the X-ray temperature \( 8.6^{+1.2}_{-1.1} \) keV recently measured by Chandra (Rosati et al. 2009). Under the simplistic assumption of the energy equipartition (i.e., \( \sigma_v = T^{1/2} / [0.59 m_p]^{1/2} \), where \( m_p \) is the proton mass), the Chandra temperature is translated into \( 1181 \pm 86 \) km s\(^{-1}\). Although the SIS assumption might lose its validity at large radii, these values are suggestive of XMM2235 being a very massive system at \( z = 1.4 \).

Blindly fitting an NFW profile does not well constrain two parameters of the model simultaneously. For example, concentration \( c \) and scale radius \( r_s \) can trade with each other without largely altering the goodness of the fit, whereas a pair of parameters with a lower concentration give a higher mass. This is a common problem in typical weak-lensing shear profile fitting if the measurement does not extend to a sufficiently large distance. Nevertheless, the difficulty can be overcome by assuming a relation between the concentration parameter \( c \) and the total cluster mass. One popular choice in the literature for the mass–concentration relation is the result of Bullock et al. (2001), who showed that an average concentration decreases with both halo mass and redshift according the following relation:

\[
\frac{c_{\text{vir}}}{c} = \left( \frac{M_{\text{vir}}}{1.8 \times 10^{14} h M_\odot} \right)^{-0.14}.
\] (6)

Using Equation (6), we found that the tangential shear profile is best described by a halo with \( c_{\text{vir}} = 1.86 \pm 0.07 \) and
Figure 12. Evolution of comoving number density of massive clusters for different cosmological parameters. We use the Jenkins et al. (2001) fitting formula for the spherical overdensity group finder (324 times the mean density of the universe) to produce the plot.

\[ M_{\text{vir}} = 8.3^{+2.6}_{-1.5} \times 10^{14} \, M_\odot \left( \chi^2/\text{dof} = 1.1 \right). \]

This virial mass is somewhat higher than what the above SIS fitting result and the X-ray temperature suggest, which motivates us to extend our experiments with different mass–concentration relations. The strong dependence of the concentration parameter on halo mass and redshift implied by Equation (6) is shown to be in conflict with the result obtained from the Millennium Simulations (Springel et al. 2005) by Gao et al. (2008). Their analysis of the relaxed clusters in the simulation supports much weaker dependence of concentration parameter on halo mass, and redshift for most massive clusters than is seen in Bullock et al. (2001). If the relation claimed by Gao et al. (2008) is true, the concentration parameters predicted by Equation (6) are underestimated by \( \sim 35\% \) at \( z = 1 \) for \( M \gtrsim 3 \times 10^{14} \, M_\odot \), and the difference increases for higher redshift. Noting the importance of the rigor of the uncertainty estimation in the current study, we choose to include the scatter of the concentration parameter for simulated clusters measured by Gao et al. (2008) in our estimation of the mass uncertainty. By interpolating the results shown in Figure 5 and Table 1 of Gao et al. (2008), we adopt the range \( c_{200} = 3.20 \pm 0.75 \) as the interval spanning the 68% confidence limits for \( M > 5 \times 10^{14} \, h M_\odot \) at \( z = 1.4 \).

By fitting an NFW model to the tangential shear by varying \( c_{200} \) within the \( c_{200} = 3.20 \pm 0.75 \) range, we found that the corresponding 1\( \sigma \) scatter in mass is \( \sim 11\% \), which is similar to the \( \sim 11\% \) uncertainty caused by the source redshift estimation error and the \( \sim 14\% \) uncertainty caused by both statistical noise and cosmic shear. Adding these errors in quadrature, we estimate that the spherical mass within \( r_{200} = 1.1 \, \text{Mpc} \) is \( M_{200} = (7.3 \pm 1.3) \times 10^{14} \, M_\odot \left( \chi^2/\text{dof} = 0.70 \right). \)

Using an NIS \( \kappa = \kappa_0 / (r^2 + r_c^2)^{1/2} \) model yields a result indistinguishable from the SIS result as long as the innermost point is excluded. Including the point gives a core radius of \( r_c = 14'' \pm 5'' \) and a normalization of \( \kappa_0 = 4.86 \pm 1.19 \) \( \left( \chi^2/\text{dof} = 1.4 \right) \).

We compare in Figure 11 the projected mass profiles that these three models predict. At \( r \lesssim 80'' \), the difference between

Figure 13. CTI study from low background images via aperture photometry. The left-hand side plots show \( \Delta \text{mag} \) vs. \( \Delta \text{transfer} \) with each panel showing the result for different fluxes. We observe in this example where the background count is low that the CTI degrades as fluxes decrease. The right-hand side plot displays the CTI slope as a function of mean flux (counts).
the SIS and the NFW results is insignificant, and the mass grows almost linearly with the radius in both cases. However, due to the asymptotic $\rho(r) \propto r^{-3}$ behavior, the growth of the NFW mass profile becomes slower at large radii. The NIS assumption leads to substantially higher masses than what the other two models predict ($\sim 45\%$ higher than the NFW result at $r = 80''$), and we do not consider this model as a representative of the XMM2235 mass profile.

As already discussed in Section 3.1, the convergence map that we obtained in Section 3.3 can be used to estimate the mass when we lift the mass-sheet degeneracy utilizing this parametric cluster mass description. For this experiment, we constrained the $60'' < r < 80''$ annulus to have the mean $\kappa$ set by the NFW result; the SIS result gives a similar value in this annulus. The thick green line in Figure 11 shows the mass profile obtained from this convergence map. Because we cannot obtain a full azimuthal range of data at $r > 80''$ (marked by the vertical dotted line), the bias in the mass estimation increases with the radius (thick dashed green line). With this caveat, we estimate that the total projected mass within 1 Mpc is $(1.03 \pm 0.16) \times 10^{15} M_{\odot}$.
Rosati et al. (2009) report that the recent analysis of the Chandra data yields an X-ray temperature of $8.6^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$ keV, a core radius of $r_c = 10^{0.7}$, and a $\beta_r$ index of 0.61. The blue line in Figure 11 illustrates the two-dimensional projected cluster mass profile based on a single isothermal $\beta$ model estimated with these parameters. This X-ray mass profile is highly consistent with the lensing results.

Although a single isothermal $\beta$ model has been considered an inadequate representation in a number of recent studies, we stress that for this particular case the displayed X-ray mass profile is in a good agreement with our full model-independent, X-ray surface brightness deprojection result. This model-independent profile closely resembles the isothermal beta model profile out to $r \sim 0.5$ Mpc, gradually deviates from the isothermal $\beta$ model result at $r > 0.5$ Mpc, and gives a $\sim 11\%$ lower value at $r = 1$ Mpc (however, the statistical uncertainty of the X-ray result is already at the $\sim 20\%$ level, and the X-ray emission is significant only out to $\sim 500$ kpc). This model-independent, X-ray surface brightness deprojection result will be presented in a forthcoming paper.

4. HOW RARE IS AN XMM2235-LIKE CLUSTER AT $z = 1.4$?

Our weak-lensing analysis shows that XMM2235 is indeed a massive cluster at $z = 1.4$. The projected mass of the cluster is $\sim 8.5 \times 10^{14} M_\odot$ within 1 Mpc. Such a massive cluster is extremely rare when the age of the universe is about a third of its current value, and thus it is interesting to quantify the probability of finding an XMM2235-like cluster within the survey volume containing XMM2235.

One of the most well-tested halo mass functions is the so-called universal mass function of Jenkins et al. (2001). From extensive studies of $N$-body simulation results, they found that the mass function takes a universal form regardless of cosmology, epoch, and the power spectrum as long as the mean density of the universe. Jenkins et al. (2001) demonstrated that for the $\Lambda$CDM model, when a halo mass is defined as the total mass within the sphere that encloses a total mass of $(6.4 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{14} M_\odot$, the error bar includes the statistical uncertainty, the effect of possible interloping background structures, the scatter in concentration parameter, and the uncertainty of the mean redshift of the background galaxies. Hence, the used threshold $5 \times 10^{14} M_\odot$ is the conservatively chosen $1\sigma$ lower limit of our measurement.

The old $\tau$CDM cosmology (dot-dashed) predicts the fastest evolution of the massive halo abundance (nearly six orders of magnitude difference between $z = 0$ and 1.4). This is why previously the existence of the massive cluster MS1504-0321 at $z = 0.84$ has been argued as evidence for $\Omega_M \ll 1$ (e.g., Bahcall & Fan 1998). For cases with a nonzero cosmological constant, we consider the cosmological parameters derived from Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe 1-, 2-, and 5-year results (referred to as WMAP1, WMAP3, and WMAP5, respectively). The WMAP3 parameters (Spergel et al. 2007) underestimate the expected cluster abundance significantly (by nearly one order of magnitude at $z = 0$ and two orders of magnitude at $z = 1.4$) with respect to the WMAP1 (Spergel et al. 2003) results. The difference at $z = 0$ was recently viewed as problematic because the earlier (WMAP1) results were consistent with the observed local cluster abundance (e.g., Yepes et al. 2007; Evrard et al. 2008); however, see Rosati et al. (2002) and references therein for the cluster mass function evolution studies that favor low normalization. Interestingly, the recent WMAP5 parameters (Dunkley et al. 2009) give values somewhere between the two sets of parameters and somewhat relieve the tension. Rines et al. (2008) however noted that the WMAP5 result best matches the observation when still a velocity segregation of 1.13 (the ratio of the velocity dispersion of the galaxy to dark matter) is assumed, which implies that without the velocity segregation more shift toward the WMAP1 result is favored by the observed cluster abundance; nevertheless, they claimed that the combination of WMAP5 with supernovae and baryonic acoustic oscillation results removes this residual.

Although our analysis is confined to a single cluster, the surprisingly high mass of XMM2235 provides an important opportunity to extend the aforementioned test to the $z \gtrsim 1.4$ regime. XMM2235 was discovered in an archival XMM-Newton observation during the pilot study phase (Mullis et al. 2005; Boehringer et al. 2006). A field was selected if it had a clean exposure time above 10 ksec without large-scale X-ray sources, the median flux limit of the fields is $\sim 10^{-14}$ erg s$^{-1}$ cm$^{-2}$ in the 0.5–2 keV band, and this gives a maximum redshift of $z_{\text{max}} \sim 2.2$, where a massive ($M > 5 \times 10^{14} M_\odot$) cluster can be detected. The total survey area 11 deg$^2$ then corresponds to a comoving volume of $V(1.4 < z < 2.2) = 10^8$ Mpc$^3$; the optical identification process of the cluster catalog at $z < 1.4$ in the XDCP survey is not complete, and thus here we choose the redshift lower limit to be $z_{\text{min}} = 1.4$ assuming that this is the only cluster we detected at $z > 1.4$ with mass in the excess of $M = 5 \times 10^{14} M_\odot$. How many XMM2235-like clusters are expected to be found within this volume? The theoretical value can be estimated by evaluating the volume-weighted average of the abundance in Figure 12 within the $1.4 < z < 2.2$ redshift interval. Adopting the WMAP5 cosmological parameters, we obtain $n = 5.1 \times 10^{-11}$ Mpc$^{-3}$. Therefore, we expect to observe only about $N = 5 \times 10^{-3}$ clusters in the survey, which leads us to conclude that the discovery of XMM2235 is a rare event with a probability of $\lesssim 1\%$.

5. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

We have presented a weak-lensing analysis of the galaxy cluster XMM2235 at $z \simeq 1.4$ using the HST/ACS data. Despite the high redshift of the lens, the signal is clear both in the one-dimensional tangential shear profile and in the two-dimensional mass reconstruction. This clear detection is enabled in part by the high mass of the cluster, which is estimated to be
\( \sim 8.5 \times 10^{14} \, M_\odot \) within a \( r = 1 \) Mpc aperture. Because the spectroscopic survey of the field does not hint at any significant foreground cluster along the line of sight, we attribute this lensing mass to the cluster XMM2235. The X-ray temperature \( 8.6^{+1.3}_{-1.2} \) keV of the cluster recently measured by Chandra predicts a consistent mass with our lensing result.

This high mass of the cluster is unusual at \( z = 1.4 \) in the current hierarchical structure formation paradigm for commonly accepted cosmological parameters. Using the Jenkins et al. (2001) mass function while choosing the 1\( \sigma \) lower limit as a threshold mass, we estimate that the expected number of XMM2235-like clusters within the survey volume is only \( N \sim 5 \times 10^{-3} \). Therefore, the discovery of the cluster is certainly a rare event with a probability of \( \lesssim 1 \% \).

Mindful of the restrictions in the interpretation of this single event, there are some recent studies, which hint at the possibility that the discovery of XMM2235 might not be a statistical outlier. Fedeli et al. (2008) demonstrate that the observed strong-lensing statistics is incompatible with the WMAP cosmological parameters, favoring \( \sigma_8 \gtrsim 0.9 \). If the survey volume containing XMM2235 represents the mean property of the universe, and we simplistically attribute this discrepancy to the potential underestimation of the matter density fluctuation, the discovery of XMM2235 would certainly point to a higher value of \( \sigma_8 \). For example, a \( \sigma_8 \) value of 0.9 (i.e., 2.5\( \sigma \) upper limit of the WMAP5 result) would predict that there are \( \sim 5 \times 10^{-2} \) such clusters within the survey, alleviating the tension by a factor of 10.

Obviously, increasing \( \sigma_8 \) is not the only way to explain the existence of the cluster within the survey. Considering in particular that a number of previous studies using X-ray clusters for cosmology have favored a low \( \sigma_8 \) (0.7–0.8) value (Rosati et al. 2002 and references therein), we should also be open to other scenarios, wherein more massive clusters form at higher redshifts. Broadhurst & Barkana (2008) found that the Einstein radii of the well-known clusters are a factor of 2 larger than the predicted values, suggesting that the observed concentration is higher than expected. Within the paradigm that a halo’s concentration reflects the mean density of the universe at the time of its formation, the claimed discrepancy suggests that clusters may form earlier than we currently believe. Fedeli & Bartelmann (2007) claim that the presence of the early dark energy can increase \( \sigma_8 \) on nonlinear scales, which can allow more clusters to form earlier and thus more efficiently produce massive clusters at high redshift. Another scenario that accommodates the existence of XMM2235 within the survey is the non-Gaussian primordial density fluctuation (Peebles 1999). The non-Gaussian density fluctuation has been shown to increase the abundance of galaxy clusters at the high end (e.g., Willick 2000; Mathis et al. 2004; Sadeh et al. 2007; Grossi et al. 2007), producing more rare, massive clusters at high redshift.

Finally, we consider the possibility that the employed mass function in the current study is highly biased. Jenkins et al. (2001) state that their universal function matches the simulation results within 20\%. Using gas-dynamic simulations, Stanek et al. (2009) claim that inclusion of baryons systematically causes \( \sim 30\% \) deviation with respect to the results from the dark matter only simulation. Unfortunately, because the direction of the shift depends on the simulation methods, it is not yet clear toward which direction the true mass function should move. Let us think of an extreme case, where the real mass function should be 50\% higher. If we use the 2\( \sigma \) lower limit (i.e., \( M_{\text{thr}} = 4 \times 10^{14} \, M_\odot \) as opposed to \( M_{\text{thr}} = 5 \times 10^{14} \, M_\odot \) used above) of the mass estimate as a threshold mass, we expect to detect \( 3 \times 10^{-2} \) such clusters within the survey.

Currently, we are undertaking weak-lensing analysis of more than 20 \( z \gtrsim 1 \) clusters based on HST/ACS images (M. J. Jee et al. 2010; in preparation). The study will increase the number of \( z > 1 \) clusters whose masses are measured through weak lensing by a factor of 10. Although the result does not provide a mass function at \( z > 1 \), a similar study using the most massive clusters in the sample will provide us with an opportunity to judge whether or not XMM2235 is an outlier. Therefore, extensive discussions on the implication of the surprisingly high mass of the cluster are deferred to our future publications.

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**APPENDIX**

**CTI STUDY FROM STELLAR PHOTOMETRY**

We cannot find any explicit report of the turnaround of the CTI for low-count objects that we discuss in Section 2.4 elsewhere in the literature, and therefore it is worth investigating here that if the effect is also observed in stellar photometry, which has been a conventional approach in the CTI measurement. The absence of the CTI turnaround in stellar photometry does not necessarily falsify the claim in Section 2.4 because many factors can conspire in such a way that the effect is detected only in ellipticity measurement, but is unobservable in photometry. For example, if the trails following bright sources are concentrated in the first few pixels while the trails following faint sources are spread over a much larger area (i.e., flux-dependent time constant), the CTI turnaround may appear in ellipticity measurement, but absent in aperture photometry. Nevertheless, independent detection of the feature from photometry will certainly support the existence of the CTI turnaround.

We retrieved the HST CTI monitoring data sets 10043, 10368, and 10730, which observe the globular cluster NGC 104 between the years 2004–2006. For parallel CTI studies, two different points apart by \( \sim 1.5 \) (\( \sim 2000 \) pixels) are used so that an object undergoes two different charge transfers in readout (see Riess & Mack 2004 for the details of the observing strategy). We detected stars using the DAOFIND algorithm on individually drizzled images, and performed three-pixel radius aperture photometry. We measured the local sky value from an \( r = 20–30 \) pixel annulus. We agree with Riess & Mack (2004) that choosing to use local sky values introduces higher statistical noise than the global sky measurement scheme, but prevents any systematics arising from sky gradients or residual flat-fielding errors. We inverse-transformed the location of a star into the CCD coordinate, and this allows us to compute the difference in the amount of the charge transfer between exposures.
Not surprisingly, the CTI study from this photometry method gives much less stringent constraints on the CTI slope than the CR-based study (Section 2.4), not only because the number of data points is small, but also because time-dependent PSF variation can affect the photometry within the three-pixel radius aperture. Nevertheless, we detect the mitigation of the CTI effect for low-count objects also in this photometry experiment as follows.

Figure 13 shows the flux loss of objects due to the CTI effect measured from two low background images taken in 2004 September. In plotting Δ magnitude versus Δ transfer (left), we follow the convention of Riess & Mack (2004), where a negative Δ transfer means that the amount of the readout transfer is less in the first image. Therefore, if charges are lost during transfer, we expect to see positive Δ m for positive Δ transfer as observed. The different panels represent the results for different fluxes. We observe the gradual steepening of the CTI slope as the mean flux decreases (see also the right panel), which is in accordance with the conventional understanding of CTI properties. The exposure time is only 30 s, and the mean background count is ∼3 e⁻. For this low level of background, we do not expect to observe the CTI mitigation for low-count objects as seen here. However, this monotonic increase of CTI is not observed when we repeat the experiment with relatively high-background images. In Figure 14, we show the relation between CTI slope and flux for six pairs of observations taken in the years 2004–2006 for the F606W and F775W filters. The mean background of these images ranges from 30 e⁻ to 40 e⁻. Based on the CR-based study results in Section 2.4, we expect that for this level of background the turnaround happens at 200–300 e⁻. Although the significance in each pair of images is low, we note that the flux losses due to CTI are always suppressed at the expected location (200–300 e⁻). Because we do not observe this pattern in other pairs of short exposure images, we interpret this CTI suppression at low flux ends as supporting our claim of the CTI turnaround that is alternatively and more significantly seen in our cosmic-ray test.

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