Statistical Momentum Analysis of the Strong DLA Profiles



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Lya Absorption in Quasar Spectra



Lyman Alpha Forest $N_{HI} > 10^{14} cm^{-2}$ Atomic hydrogen in the intergalactic media

Damped Lyman Alpha System (DLA) $N_{HI} > 2 \times 10^{20} cm^{-2}$ Distant galaxy

- Spectra of some quasars show a lot of absorption line from a hydrogen or metal.
- Lyman alpha forests exhibit in blueward of Lyman alpha emission from quasars.
- Those absorption lines are from intergalactic media or galaxies between the earth and quasar.

Measuring N_{HI} of DLA



The Cross Section $\sigma(\lambda)$



The comparison of various cross sections

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega}(\omega) = \frac{r_0^2}{m_e^2 \hbar^2} \left| \sum_{I} \left[\frac{\omega(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}^{(\alpha')})_{AI}(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}^{(\alpha)})_{IA}}{\omega_{IA}(\omega_{IA} - \omega - i\Gamma_I/2)} - \frac{\omega(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}^{(\alpha)})_{AI}(\vec{p} \cdot \hat{\epsilon}^{(\alpha')})_{IA}}{\omega_{IA}(\omega_{IA} + \omega)} \right] \right|^2,$$

Kramers-Heisenberg (K-H) formula (Sakurai 1967)

$$\sigma_{\mathrm{P}}(\omega) = \frac{3\lambda_0^2}{8\pi} \frac{\Gamma_{2p}^2 \left(\omega/\omega_0\right)^4}{(\omega_0 - \omega)^2 + \Gamma_{2p}^2 \left(\omega/\omega_0\right)^6/4}.$$

The cross section in Peebles 1993

$$\sigma_{\rm L}(\omega) = \sigma_{\rm T} \left(\frac{f_{12}}{2}\right)^2 \frac{\omega_0^2}{(\omega_0 - \omega)^2 + \Gamma_{2p}^2 / 4}$$

The Lorentzian cross section

- K-H formula is from the second-order time-dependent perturbation theory.
- Damping profiles of Lyα and Lyβ using K-H show the asymmetry for the high column density. (Lee 2003, 2013, Bach & Lee 2014 and Bach 2017)



The cross section using K-H (solid line) and single Lorentzian (dashed lines).

- Lyα has more red damping wing.
- In the case of Ly β , Ly γ and Ly δ , the blueward is stronger than the redward.
- The cross section is too small to detect the asymmetric features.

Statistical Function $\Psi(\lambda)$



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Statistical Moment Analysis $\bar{\lambda} = \int_{\lambda}^{\lambda_1} \lambda \Psi(\lambda) d\lambda / \|\Psi(\lambda)\|$ **Line Center** Std. Dev. = $\int_{\lambda}^{\lambda_1} (\lambda - \overline{\lambda})^2 \Psi(\lambda) d\lambda / || \Psi(\lambda) ||$ Width Skewness = $\int_{\lambda}^{\lambda_{1}} (\lambda - \overline{\lambda})^{3} \Psi(\lambda) d\lambda / \|\Psi(\lambda)\|$ Asymmetry Kurtosis. = $\int_{\lambda}^{\lambda_{1}} (\lambda - \overline{\lambda})^{4} \Psi(\lambda) d\lambda / \|\Psi(\lambda)\|$ Sharpness

Statistical Moment Analysis



- After the peak of $\overline{\lambda} \lambda_0$, $\overline{\lambda} \lambda_0$ is decreased as the profiles are saturated and are affected by Lyman lines.
- Skewness of Lyβ, Lyγ and Lyδ using K-H and Lorentzian show blue and red asymmetry.

Statistical Moment Analysis



Standard Deviation

Kurtosis

- Standard Deviation and Kurtosis of Lyman series using two types of the cross section are similar.
- For $N_{HI} > 10^{23} cm^{-2}$, Kurtosis are smaller than 3 in all of lines.

Summary and Discussion

- 1. We extend the range of the total scattering cross section from K-H to Ly δ .
- 2. For high column density $N_{HI} > 10^{22} cm^{-2}$, damping wings of Lyman series is asymmetric.
- 3. Lorentzian σ_L has the problem in the region far from the line center.
- 4. The Ly α and other higher lines show the blue and red asymmetry.
- 5. K-H have to be considered as extremely damped DLA profiles,

 $N_{HI} > 10^{22} \ cm^{-2}$.

Thanks