

The structure and dynamics of Abell 1942^{*,**}

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ABSTRACT

Aims. We present a dynamical analysis of the galaxy cluster Abell 1942 based on a set of 128 velocities obtained at the European Southern Observatory.

Methods. Data on individual galaxies are presented and the accuracy of the determined velocities as some properties of the cluster are discussed. We have also made use of publicly available Chandra X-ray data.

Results. We obtained an improved mean redshift value $z = 0.22513 \pm 0.0008$ and velocity dispersion $\sigma = 908^{+147}_{-139}$ km s⁻¹. Our analysis indicates that inside a radius of $\sim 1.5 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc (~ 7 arcmin) the cluster is well relaxed, without any remarkable features and the X-ray emission traces the galaxy distribution fairly well. Two possible optical substructures are seen at ~ 5 arcmin from the centre in the northwest and the southwest directions, but are not confirmed by the velocity field. These clumps are, however, kinematically bound to the main structure of Abell 1942. X-ray spectroscopic analysis of Chandra data resulted in a temperature $kT = 5.5 \pm 0.5$ keV and metal abundance $Z = 0.33 \pm 0.15 Z_{\odot}$. The velocity dispersion corresponding to this temperature using the T_X - σ scaling relation is in good agreement with the measured galaxy velocities. Our photometric redshift analysis suggests that the weak lensing signal observed to the south of the cluster and previously attributed to a “dark clump” is produced by background sources, possibly distributed as a filamentary structure.

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1. Introduction

In the hierarchical Λ CDM scenario for structure formation, clusters of galaxies are the largest coherent and gravitationally bound structures in the Universe, growing by accretion of nearby galaxy groups or even other clusters. These newcomers are often observed as substructures in the galaxy distribution and, indeed, substructures have been detected in a significant fraction of galaxy clusters (e.g. Flin & Krywult 2006). Clusters can then be used to trace the cosmological evolution of structure with time and to constrain cosmological parameters (e.g. Richstone et al. 1992; Kauffmann & White 1993).

However, clusters comprise a diverse family, presenting a large range of structural behaviour and, in order to be useful as cosmological probes, the structural and dynamical properties of individual systems should be determined. Clusters are also complex entities, containing both baryonic and non-baryonic matter. In the case of the former, most of the baryons occupy the cluster volume in the form of a hot gas emitting in X-rays. Consequently, studies of galaxy clusters aiming to unveil their properties are greatly benefited by multiwavelength observations, in particular in X-rays for the gas and in the optical for the galaxies and even the dark matter.

Here we present a study of the cluster of galaxies Abell 1942. It has richness class 3 and Bautz-Morgan type III. It is of

particular interest since it has at first glance a quite symmetrical morphology, similar to Abell 586 which can be used as a laboratory to test different mass estimators and to analyze its dynamics (as in Cypriano et al. 2005). This cluster was observed in X-rays by several satellites, ASCA, ROSAT, and Chandra (see Sect. 4, below). Finally, A1942 has received some attention because a putative mass concentration would have been detected by its shear effect at 7 arcmin south of the cluster centre, with no obvious concentration of bright galaxies at this location (Erben et al. 2000; von der Linden et al. 2006): the dark clump. A ROSAT-HRI image was also analyzed by the same authors, showing that the brightest peak of the X-ray emission corresponds to the cluster centre and its central galaxy. A weak secondary source was also detected at 1 arcmin from the mass concentration. Using ASCA data, White (2000) gives 2 temperatures for this cluster: 5.6 keV for a broad band single temperature fit, and 15.6 keV for a cooling-flow fit, which would correspond to a velocity dispersion ≈ 1800 km s⁻¹ and also a huge cooling flow of $817 M_{\odot}/\text{year}$.

From the optical data, only 2 velocities of galaxy members were available, one being the radio-source PKS 1435 + 038 (Kristian et al. 1978). Moreover, a deep image of the cluster centre (Smail et al. 1991) shows the existence of a few lensed arcs, with one being close to the central galaxy. No detailed lens model is as yet available to study the central mass distribution.

In this paper, we analyze Abell 1942 from its photometric, spectroscopic and X-ray properties. In Sect. 2, we give evidence of the structure and substructures of the cluster from its photometric data. Section 3 presents the spectroscopic survey of the

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** Appendix A is only available in electronic form at <http://www.aanda.org>

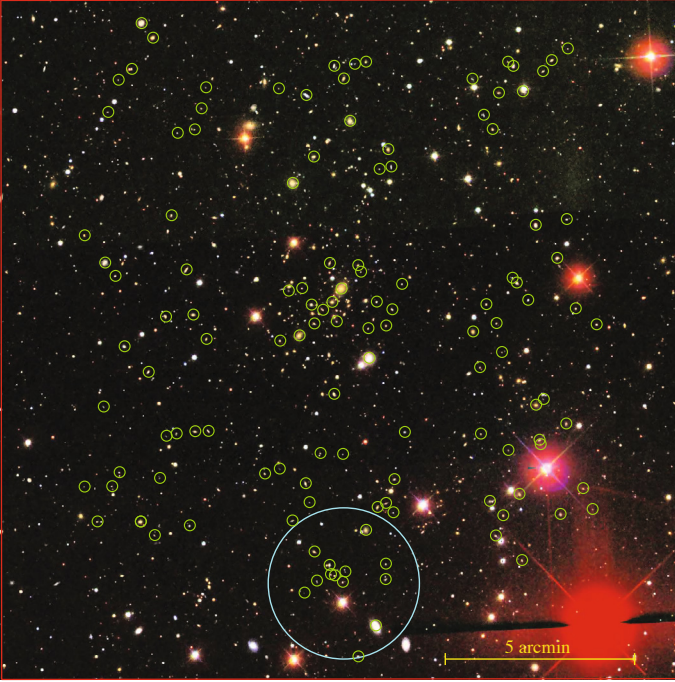


Fig. 1. A 18×18 arcmin true colour image from the SDSS centered on the cluster centre. The larger circle, with 2 arcmin radius, corresponds to the dark matter clump region suggested by Erben et al. (2000). Small circles superimposed on galaxy images correspond to the spectroscopic observations reported in this work.

cluster galaxies in order to study the velocity dispersion in the cluster centre, as well as its variation with the radius until the measured limit of the shear up to 8 arcmin (equivalent to a radius of $1.7 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc at the cluster redshift). In Sect. 4 we analyze the X-ray data. The velocity analysis is detailed in Sect. 5. With such a set of velocities we build in Sect. 6 a detailed image of the cluster dynamics and mass distribution. Moreover we analyze the velocity distribution of the galaxies located close to the mass concentration area in order to know its nature as a distant cluster or concentration of matter associated with the main cluster. We adopt here, whenever necessary, $H_0 = 70 h_{70} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$, $\Omega_M = 0.3$ and $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.7$.

2. Abell 1942 photometric data

The Abell 1942 cluster of galaxies is within the area observed by the Sloan Digital Sky Survey (SDSS)¹. In this paper we adopt the photometric data from its Data Release Six. Figure 1 shows a 18×18 arcmin square SDSS image centered at the cluster centre [assumed to be at the position of the brightest cluster galaxy, $m_r = 16.23$, at RA $14^{\text{h}}38^{\text{m}}21.9^{\text{s}}$, Dec $+03^{\circ}40'13''$ (J2000)] and extending to the South to show the region where a dark mass concentration would have been detected (Erben et al. 2000).

Smail et al. (1991) announced the presence of a lensed arc candidate in the cluster centre from V CCD frames taken on the Danish 1.5 m telescope at La Silla. During our observations, we also obtained V images which show the centre resolved to independent components with the lensed arc clearly visible. This image is shown in Fig. 2, which we superimposed the 21 cm emission isophotes from the VLA-FIRST (Faint Images of the Radio Sky at Twenty-centimeters) survey (Becker et al. 1994).

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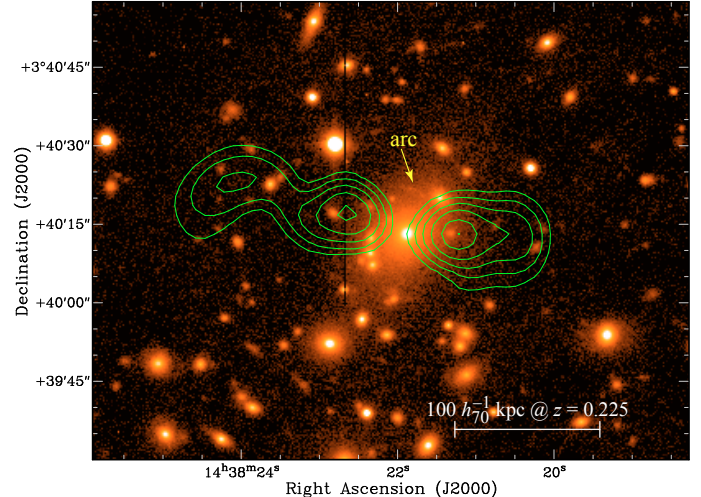


Fig. 2. A V -band image of the central part of the A1942 cluster taken with EFOSC at the 3.60 m ESO telescope. The gravitational arc is indicated by the arrow. The green contours are isophotes of the 21 cm VLA-FIRST, logarithmically spaced. The absence of a head-tail radio morphology indicates that the brightest cluster galaxy is at rest with respect to the intracluster gas.

Within the region shown in Fig. 1, there are 674 galaxies with dereddened r magnitudes between 15.36 and 21.0, 17 of them with spectroscopic redshifts in the SDSS database. To this sample we added 128 new spectroscopic redshifts, 9 of them in common with SDSS. About 11 of these new redshifts are in a 200 arcsec side square region centered on the putative dark clump claimed by Erben et al. (2000).

Figure 3 shows the contour map of the projected density of the 674 galaxies brighter than $m_r = 21.0$. We adopt this magnitude limit because our photometric redshifts are reliable up to this value (see Sect. 5.2). The centre of the cluster appears clearly at RA = 219.596° , Dec = $+3.663^\circ$, ~ 30 arcsec SE from the dominant cluster galaxy (219.591° , $+3.670^\circ$). The isodensity contours seem slightly elongated in the NW-SE direction, with no significant substructures except perhaps to the north of the cluster centre. At SW ($\approx 219.54^\circ$, $+3.63^\circ$) we find a not very significant overdensity which could be identified as the “C” component noticed by Erben et al. (2000) in their Fig. 10. A small concentration of galaxies is also seen in the region of the alleged dark clump (dashed circle in Fig. 3). We will return to this point in Sect. 5.2.

3. Spectroscopic observations and data reduction

The A1942 spectra used in this paper have been obtained with the 3.60 m telescope at ESO-La Silla (Chile) in two runs during a total of ten half-nights from 5 to 10 June 2005 and 30 April to 3 May 2006 (with 4 cloudy nights). A 14.5×14.5 arcmin field centered on the brightest cluster galaxy was tiled into 9 (3×3) adjacent 5.4×5.4 arcmin fields with a 34 arcsec overlap between them. A 10th field towards the South was added, corresponding to the location of the dark clump (these fields are shown in Fig. 11 below). The instrumentation used was the ESO Faint Object Spectrograph and Camera (EFOSC) with the grism 8 giving a dispersion of 0.99 \AA/pix .

The targets were preferentially selected from an SDSS sample of 327 galaxies brighter than (underreddened) $m_r = 20.5$, from which only 97 were used given the constraints of the FOVs of EFOSC. In order to fill the spectroscopic masks with punched

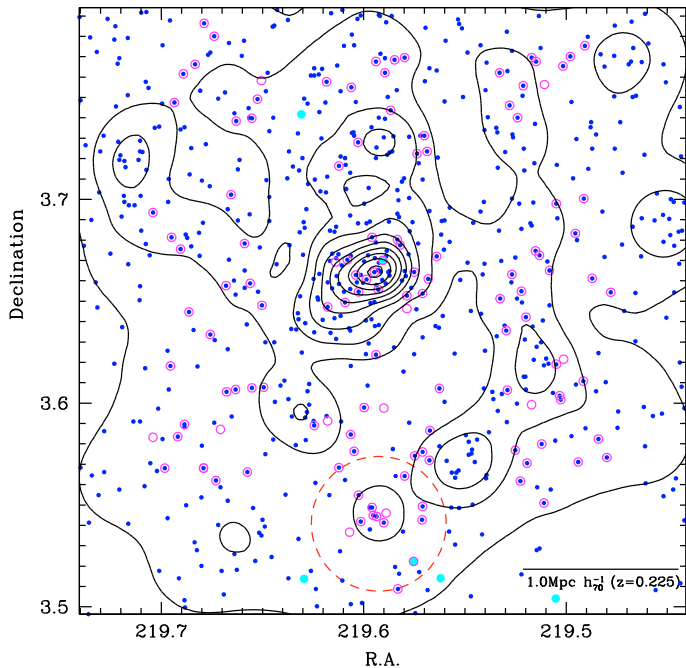


Fig. 3. The projected density map of the galaxies brighter than $m_r = 21.0$ in the 18 arcmin field of Fig. 1. Filled circles denote SDSS galaxies with $m_r \leq 21.0$, with larger (cyan) circles for the brightest ones: $14.19 \leq m_r \leq m_{r1}$, with $m_{r1} = 16.23$. Open circles denote galaxies with measured spectroscopic redshifts. Notice that some of these galaxies are fainter than the 21^{mag} limit (see Table 1). The dashed circle encloses the region of the alleged dark clump of Erben et al. (2000). Contours are equally spaced by $\Delta\Sigma = 0.4$ with highest levels at $\Sigma_{\text{max}} = 3.81$, with Σ in units of $10^{-3} \text{gal arcsec}^{-2}$.

siftlets, we added to our list 98 galaxy candidates (as classified by SDSS), fainter than this limit, totalizing 195 targets. Standard stars were also observed during each night for flux calibration of the spectra.

The data reduction was carried out with IRAF² using the MULTIRED package. Radial velocities was determined using the cross-correlation technique (Tonry & Davis 1979) implemented in the RVSAO package (Kurtz et al. 1991; Mink et al. 1995) with radial velocity standards obtained from observations of late-type stars and previously well-studied galaxies.

About 141 of the 195 observed spectra had S/N high enough to allow redshift estimates. About 14 of them were found to be stars. We were thus left with a total of 128 galaxies with measured redshifts, one of which was detected as a possible binary system (galaxies #113 and #116 in Table A.1). About 9 of these spectra are in common with SDSS. About 117 of these are situated in the central square region of 14.5 arcmin side, whereas the remaining 11 are located in a 5.4 arcmin side square field centered on the putative dark clump claimed by Erben et al. (2000).

Table A.1 lists positions, dereddened magnitudes u , g , r , i and z (SDSS database), photometric redshifts and errors (see Sect. 5.2 and the Appendix) and the heliocentric spectroscopic redshifts from the present work. Redshifts errors were derived following Tonry & Davis (1979). The values of their R statistics (defined as the ratio of the correlation peak height to the amplitude of the antisymmetric noise) are listed in the *notes* column.

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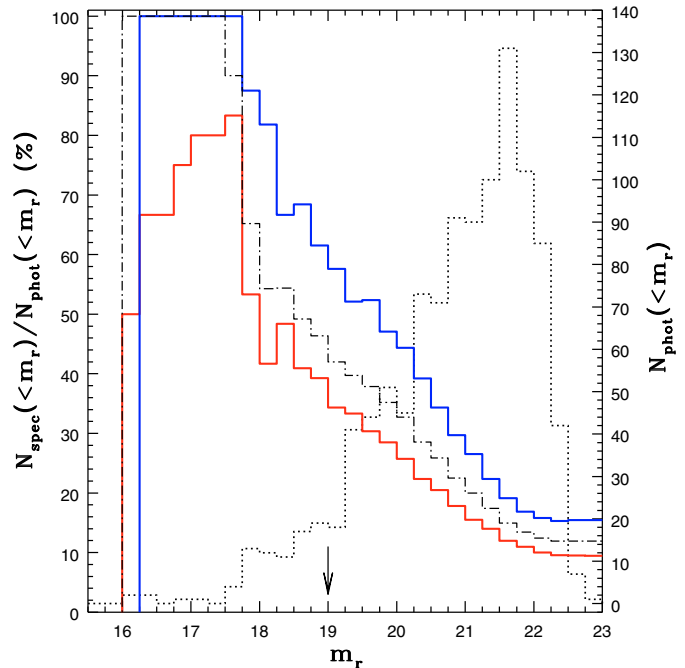


Fig. 4. The completeness of the spectroscopic sample as a function of magnitude. Dot-dashed lines: square region of 14.5 arcmin side centered on the cluster. Red continuous lines: central circular region of radius 350 arcsec. Blue continuous line: its complementary region. Dotted lines: the luminosity distribution of galaxies of the photometric sample, with values read on the right vertical axis. The arrow points to the predicted value of M^* for an Abell cluster at this redshift.

3.1. The completeness of the spectroscopic sample

We estimated the completeness of the spectroscopic sample as a function of the magnitude as the ratio of cumulative counts of the spectroscopic samples to that of the photometric ones, $N_{\text{spec}}(< m_r)/N_{\text{phot}}(< m_r)$, all computed within the square 14.5 arcmin side region containing most of our spectral data. The results are displayed in Fig. 4, together with the magnitude distribution of the photometric sample. The completeness was computed both for the entire 14.5×14.5 arcmin region over which the photometric sample was defined (light continuous lines), and over a central circular region of 350 arcsec radius (red continuous lines) which roughly corresponds to the region where the X-ray emission is detected (Sect. 4). Following the results of Paolillo et al. (2001), the mean M^* -magnitude of rich Abell clusters is $M_r^* = -21.24$ (after applying a 0.2^{mag} correction between his DPOSS magnitudes and the SDSS magnitudes used here) which, at the redshift of A1942 (see Sect. 5), $z = 0.225$, gives $m_r^* = 19.00$, indicated by an arrow in Fig. 4.

From this plot it can be seen that the spectroscopic data, which samples nearly uniformly the entire 14.5×14.5 arcmin region, is highly incomplete for magnitudes fainter than $m_r \sim 18$. Of course this is due to the clustering of galaxies in the centre of the region, as it may readily seen in Fig. 4 by comparing the completeness of the central circular region defining the virialized cluster ($\sim 40\%$ at $m_r \sim m_r^*$), to that of its complementary region ($\sim 63\%$ at $m_r \sim m_r^*$; blue continuous lines).

4. X-ray data

Abell 1942 was first observed by the Einstein satellite Image Proportional Counter (IPC) in 1979 and 1980. Then, it was again observed both by the ROSAT High Resolution Imager (HRI)

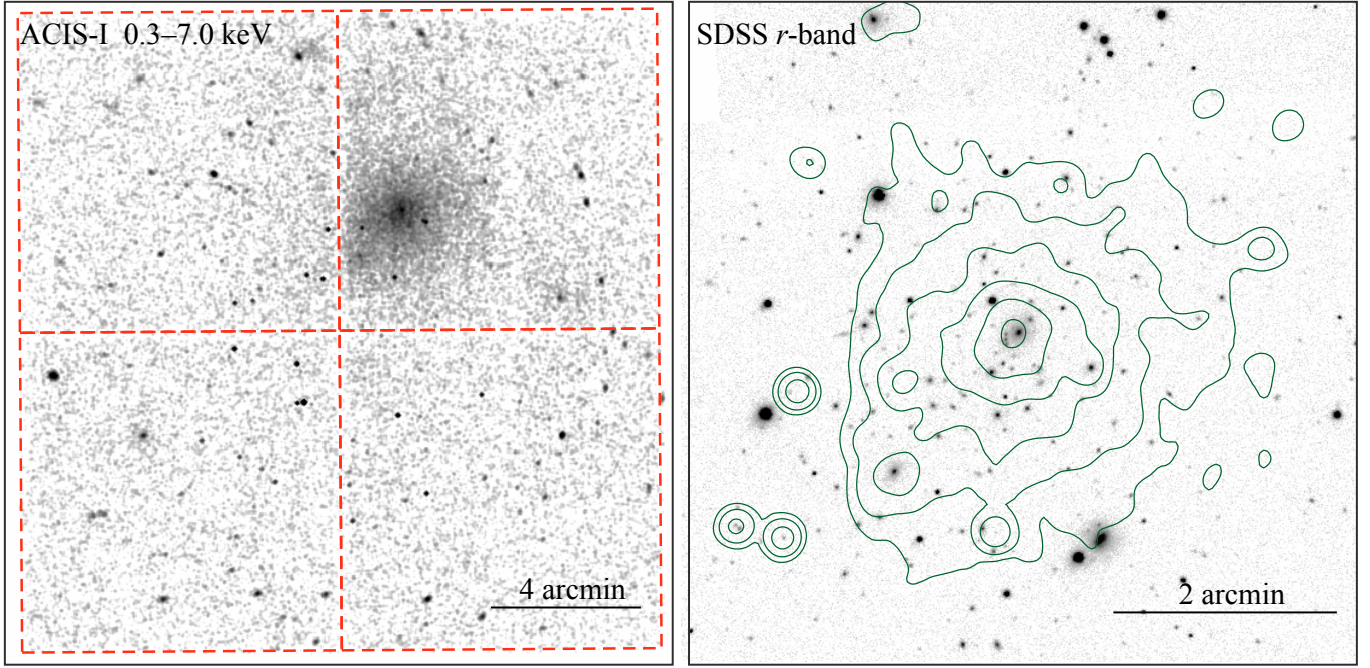


Fig. 5. *Left:* Chandra ACIS-I image of the cluster. Also shown for reference is the position of ACIS-I four CCDs (red dashed lines). *Right:* SDSS *r*-band image of the central region with X-ray isophotes contours superposed (green solid lines).

and ASCA in 1995. In 2003, a 58.3 ks exposure was acquired with the Chandra Advanced CCD Imaging Spectrometer-Imager (ACIS-I) detector (ObsID 3290, PI. G. P. Garmire). In 2007 Abell 1942 was again observed by Chandra but only for 5.18 ks. We have downloaded only the ObsID 3290 observation from Chandra X-ray Centre (CXC) archives in order to analyze it.

The morphology of the X-ray emission observed by Chandra was already analyzed by [von der Linden et al. \(2006\)](#), paying close attention to the region of the putative dark clump. Contrary to the [Erben et al. \(2000\)](#) analysis based on ROSAT data, they do not detect any significant extended X-ray emission at the supposed location of the dark clump established with Chandra data.

Here, we concentrate on the X-ray analysis of the cluster itself which so far has been neglected. The data, taken in Very Faint mode, were reduced using CIAO version 3.4³ following the standard data processing, producing new level 1 and 2 event files. The level 2 event file was further filtered, keeping only events with grades⁴ 0, 2, 3, 4 and 6. We checked that no afterglow was present and applied the Good Time Intervals (GTI) routine supplied by the pipeline. Only some mild background flares were observed and the corresponding time intervals were filtered away. The final total livetime is 54.66 ks.

We have used the CTI-corrected ACIS background event files (“blank-sky”), produced by the ACIS calibration team⁵, available from the calibration data base (CALDB). The background events were filtered, keeping the same grades as the source events, and then were reprojected to match the sky coordinates of Abell 1942 ACIS-I observation.

³ <http://asc.harvard.edu/ciao/>

⁴ The grade of an event is a code that identifies which pixels, within the three pixel-by-three pixel island centered on the local charge maximum, are above certain amplitude thresholds. The so-called ASCA grades, in the absence of pileup, appear to optimize the signal-to-background ratio. <http://cxc.harvard.edu/>

⁵ http://cxc.harvard.edu/cal/Acis/wwwacis_cal.html

We restricted our analysis to the range [0.3–7.0 keV], since above ~ 7.0 keV, the X-ray observation is largely dominated by the particle background.

4.1. Spectral analysis

For the spectral analysis, we computed the weighted redistribution and ancillary files (RMF and ARF) using the tasks MKRMF and MKWARF from CIAO. These tasks take into account the extended nature of the X-ray emission. Background spectra were constructed from the blank-sky event files and were extracted at the same regions (in detector coordinates) as the source spectra that we want to fit.

The spectral fits were done using XSPEC v11.3.2. The X-ray spectrum of each extraction region was modelled as being produced by a single temperature plasma and we employed the MEKAL model ([Kaastra & Mewe 1993](#); [Liedahl et al. 1995](#)). The photoelectric absorption – mainly due to neutral hydrogen – was computed using the cross-sections given by [Balucinska-Church & McCammon \(1992\)](#), available in XSPEC. We have used metal abundances (metallicities) scaled to [Anders & Grevesse \(1989\)](#) solar values.

The overall spectrum was extracted within a circular region of 78 arcsec ($280 h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc at $z = 0.225$) centered on the X-ray emission peak. It was re-binned with the GRPPHA task, so that there are at least 10 counts per energy bin. This radius was chosen because most of the cluster emission is in this region, we can avoid the CCDs gaps, and we have all the spectrum extracted in a single ACIS-I CCD. The Chandra ACIS-I image is displayed in Fig. 5 with the *r*-band image of the same region.

Table 1 summarizes the spectral fitting results. The best fit temperature, kT , varies between 5.3 and 5.6 keV depending on the free and fixed parameters, with an error bar of about 0.4 keV at a 1σ confidence level. The metallicity, independently the of parameters kept fixed, is $0.33 Z_{\odot}$, with an error bar $0.09 Z_{\odot}$ at a 1σ confidence level. When we left the hydrogen column density

Table 1. Results of the X-ray spectral fits in a circular region of radius 78 arcsec around the centre. “d.o.f.” is short for degrees of freedom.

| $N_{\text{H}} [10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}]$ | $kT [\text{keV}]$ | $Z [Z_{\odot}]$ | Redshift | $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$ |
|--|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 3.9 ± 1.2 | 5.3 ± 0.4 | 0.33 ± 0.09 | 0.225 | 196.2/231 |
| 2.61 | 5.6 ± 0.3 | 0.33 ± 0.09 | 0.225 | 196.7/232 |
| 3.9 ± 1.2 | 5.3 ± 0.4 | 0.33 ± 0.09 | 0.222 ± 0.007 | 196.3/230 |

Note: Error bars are 1σ confidence level. Values without error bars are kept fixed.

Table 2. Results of X-ray spectral fits with varying metal abundances. The error bars are at a 1σ confidence level. Temperature is in keV and the abundances in solar units.

| O | Mg | Si | Ca | Fe | Ni |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|--|-----------------|---------------|
| $0.9^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$ | 1.9 ± 1.1 | 0.5 ± 0.5 | 2.2 ± 2.1 | 0.36 ± 0.09 | 2.7 ± 2.5 |
| $kT = 5.4 \pm 0.3 \text{ keV}$ | | | $\frac{\chi^2}{\text{d.o.f.}} = \frac{192.3}{227}$ | | |

free, we obtain $N_{\text{H}} = (3.9 \pm 1.2) \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ which agrees, within less than 2σ error bars, with the Galactic value, $N_{\text{H}} = (2.61 \pm 0.07) \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ given by the Leiden-Argentina-Bonn Survey (Kalberla et al. 2005).

We have also used the VMEKAL model, where the individual metal abundances are fitted independently. The results are presented in Table 2.

There is marginal evidence of an over-abundance of α -elements, mainly Mg (considering the error bars). The best fit value for Ni is also very high, 7.5 times the Fe abundance but, again, error bars prevent us from discussing this question further. We only present the individual metal abundances for completeness.

4.2. Radial profiles

4.2.1. Temperature profile

The radial temperature profile was obtained in concentric circular annuli where, for each annulus, a spectrum was extracted and fitted following the method described above, except that the hydrogen column density was kept fixed at the mean best-fit value found inside 78 arcsec (i.e., $N_{\text{H}} = 3.9 \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$). The annuli are defined by approximately the same number of counts (1000 counts, background corrected), so that the signal-to-noise in each annulus spectrum is roughly constant. Figure 7 shows the temperature profile.

The temperature profile shown in Fig. 7 presents a visible gradient outwards. We therefore used a simple analytical temperature profile, described by a polytropic equation of state, to fit the observed data points. Although it is not clear if the ICM gas temperature is well described by a polytropic equation of state, some observations suggest that a polytrope with index $1.1 \gtrsim \gamma \lesssim 1.3$ may be used empirically to describe the temperature radial profile (e.g. Markevitch et al. 1999; Lima Neto et al. 2003; Cypriano et al. 2005).

The use of a polytropic temperature profile also has the benefit of being easily deprojected. Thus, we have fitted a temperature profile given by:

$$T(r) = T_0 \left[1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_c} \right)^2 \right]^{-3\beta(\gamma-1)/2}, \quad (1)$$

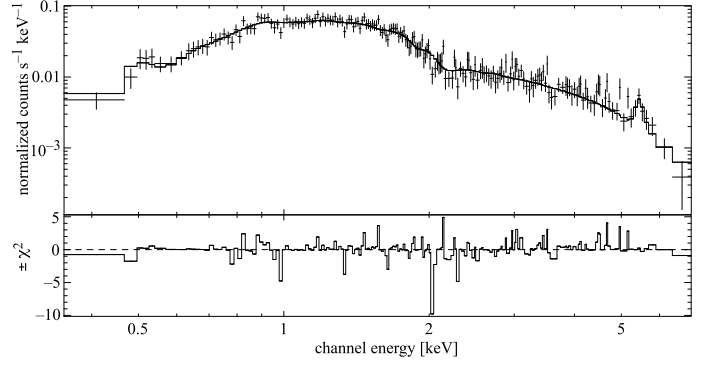


Fig. 6. Chandra ACIS-I X-ray spectrum extracted in the central 78 arcsec ($280 h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc) superposed with a MEKAL plasma spectrum. *Top*: fit with N_{H} free. *Bottom*: the residuals are shown expressed as the χ^2 contribution of each binned energy channel.

which is the temperature of a polytropic gas that follows a β -model radial profile. Here, r_c and β are the values obtained with the β -model fitting of the brightness surface profile (see Sect. 4.2.2 below), and T_0 is the central temperature. Notice that only γ and T_0 are free parameters.

A standard least-square fit of Eq. (1) results in $T_0 = 7.2 \pm 0.6 \text{ keV}$ and $\gamma = 1.23 \pm 0.04$, with a reduced $\chi^2 = 1.1$; the best-fit polytropic temperature profile is plotted in Fig. 7. The fitted polytropic index is below $5/3$, the value of an ideal gas, suggesting that the gas indeed may be in adiabatic equilibrium (see, e.g. Sarazin 1988, Sect. 5.2).

4.2.2. X-ray brightness profile

The X-ray brightness profile of Abell 1942 was obtained with the task ELLIPSE from STSDAS/IRAF. The image we used was in the $[0.3\text{--}7.0 \text{ keV}]$, corrected by the exposure map and binned so that each image pixel represents 2 arcsec. Prior to the ellipse fitting, the CCDs gaps and source points were masked. The brightness profile, shown in Fig. 8, could be measured up to ~ 350 arcsec ($1.26 h_{70}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$) from the cluster centre.

In order to describe the surface brightness radial profile, we use the β -model (Cavaliere & Fusco-Femiano 1976):

$$\Sigma_X(R) = \Sigma_0 \left[1 + \left(\frac{R}{R_c} \right)^2 \right]^{-3\beta+1/2} + \text{background}, \quad (2)$$

where we have added a constant to take into account the contribution of the background (both cosmic and particle). A least-squares fit gives $\beta = 0.38 \pm 0.01$ and $R_c = 12.5 \pm 1.6 \text{ arcsec}$ ($45 \pm 6 h_{70}^{-1} \text{ kpc}$). If we assume that the gas is approximately isothermal and distributed with spherical symmetry, there is a simple relation between the brightness profile and the gas number density, $n(r)$, i.e.,

$$n(r) = n_0 \left[1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_c} \right)^2 \right]^{-3\beta/2}, \quad (3)$$

where $R_c = r_c$ (capital indicates projected 2D coordinates, lower case indicates 3D coordinates).

In order to estimate the central density, n_0 , which is related to Σ_0 , we integrate the bremsstrahlung emissivity along the line-of-sight in the central region. The result was compared with the flux obtained by spectral fit of the same region, the normalization parameter of the thermal spectral model in XSPEC. This parameter, in turn, is proportional to $n_e n_{\text{H}} \approx 1.2 n_{\text{H}}^2(r)$ (where n_e and

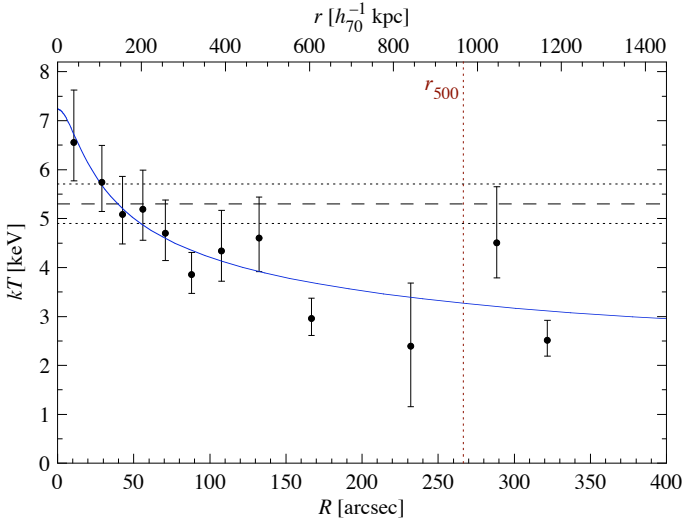


Fig. 7. Temperature profile. The error bars are at a 1σ confidence level. The horizontal dashed line is the mean temperature inside 78 arcsec, $kT = 5.3 \pm 0.4$ keV, the horizontal dotted lines correspond to the 1σ confidence level of the mean temperature. The continuous curve is the best-fit polytrope temperature profile. The vertical line shows r_{500} .

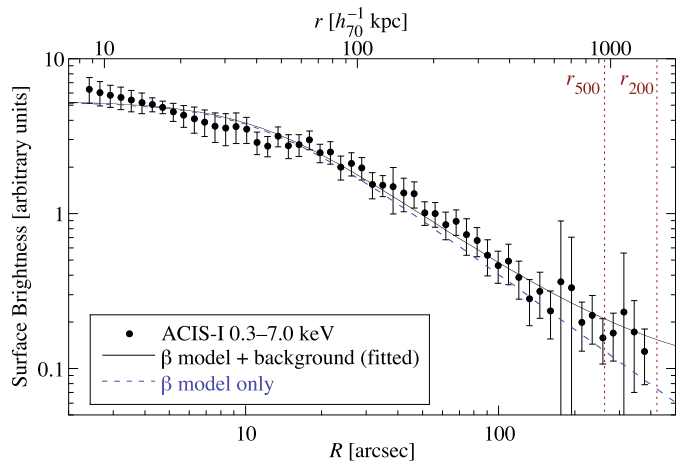


Fig. 8. X-ray brightness profile. The full line shows the actual fit of a β -model plus a constant background, with $\beta = 0.38 \pm 0.01$ and $r_c = 12.5 \pm 1.6$ arcsec. The dashed line shows only the cluster contribution to the brightness profile. The vertical lines show r_{200} and r_{500} (see below).

n_H are the electron and proton number densities, respectively). We thus obtain $n_0 = (8.8 \pm 0.9) \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ (we drop the index H hereafter).

Abell 1942 presents a rather steep surface brightness profile (see Fig. 8). Such a profile is usually associated with a relaxed cluster with a cool core, with a drop in temperature of a factor ~ 3 in the centre compared to the maximum temperature.

However, we note that this cluster does not present any sign of a cool-core in the central part, at $r \approx 100 h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc, the smallest radius where we can extract a meaningful spectrum and measure the temperature. We actually measure an increase of the temperature from $r \approx 300 h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc towards the centre. We may be failing to detect a cool core either because we lack the necessary spatial resolution or the intracluster gas is not cooling due to some physical heating process – as is the case of numerous clusters (e.g. Arnaud et al. 2005; Snowden et al. 2008).

Heating by cluster merging may be a possible mechanism. There is indeed a substructure at 1.7 arcmin southeast of the

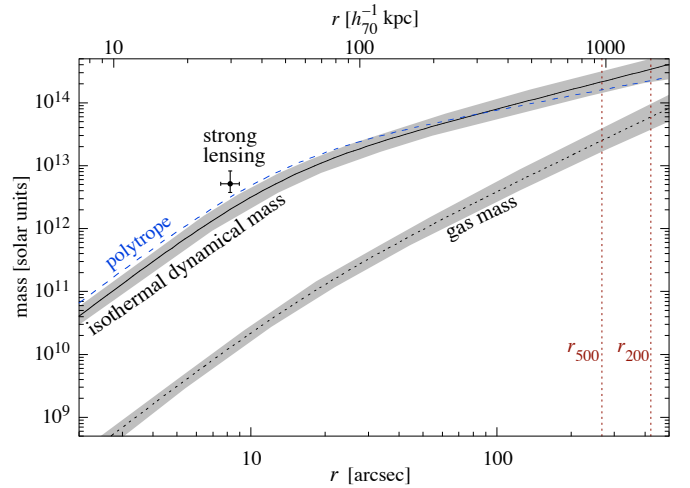


Fig. 9. X-ray dynamical mass profiles and gas mass profile (dotted line). The full line corresponds to the dynamical mass computed assuming an isothermal β -model; the dashed line is corresponds to the polytropic temperature profile. The vertical lines correspond to r_{200} and r_{500} . The grey shaded areas correspond to 1σ confidence level error bars. The single point named “strong lensing” is our estimate based on the position of the arc seen in Fig. 2 (see text for details).

cluster centre (see Fig. 5). However, we may be simply not detecting an eventual drop in temperature because we lack the resolution. Using a sample of 20 clusters, Kaastra et al. (2004) show that the radius (r_c in their paper) where the temperature drops in cooling-flow clusters is, with 2 exceptions, smaller than $70 h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc.

4.2.3. Mass profile

We compute the gas mass simply by integrating the density given by Eq. (3), assuming spherical symmetry which, in this case, seems a good approximation when we exclude the substructure to the southeast (see Fig. 5). The growth gas mass profile is shown in Fig. 9.

The total mass (“X-ray dynamical mass”) is estimated assuming either an isothermal temperature equal to the emission weighted mean temperature of the cluster, or the deprojected polytropic temperature radial profile fitted in Sect. 4.2.1. Assuming hydrostatic equilibrium and spherical symmetry, the corresponding dynamical mass for the β -model is shown in Fig. 9. The values for the r_{200} and r_{500} radii derived from this model are, respectively, $1.53 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc and $0.97 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc.

The difference in the dynamical mass estimates using the isothermal and polytropic temperature profiles are quite small. For the polytropic model, the mass profile rises more steeply near the center and then has a slower growth beyond $r \sim 300 h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc.

We have also estimated the total mass using the gravitational arc shown in Fig. 2, discovered by Smail et al. (1991) assuming that this strong arc is located at the Einstein radius, R_E . Measuring the distance from the centre of the dominant galaxy, we have $R_E = 8.2 \pm 0.8$ arcsec or, at $z = 0.225$, $R_E = (29.6 \pm 2.9) h_{70}^{-1}$ kpc. We then suppose, for simplicity, that the dynamical mass may be modelled by an isothermal sphere. If the background lensed galaxy is located between $0.6 < z < 4.0$ then the total mass inside R_E is within $(3.6 < M < 8.0) \times 10^{12} M_\odot$. We show this mass estimate in Fig. 9, in comparison to the dynamical mass derived with X-ray data.

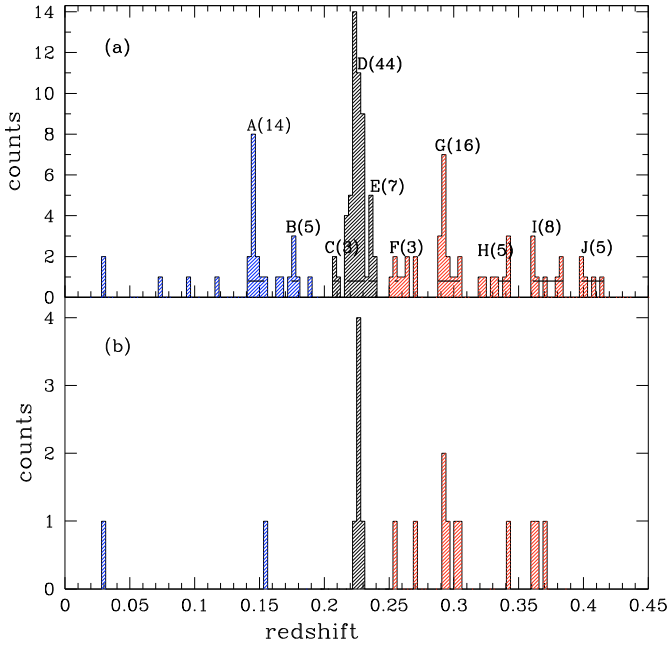


Fig. 10. *Upper panel:* histogram of the redshift distribution of our spectroscopic sample. Letters identify the kinematic structures found with the gap analysis. The number of identified members are in parentheses. The horizontal lines inside the histograms of groups give the range of the groups as determined from the gap analysis. *Lower panel:* redshift distribution for the circular region enclosing the DC region.

The gravitational lensing mass is about a factor of 2 larger than the mass obtained with X-ray data, but the difference is only significant at less than the 2σ confidence level. Indeed, this kind of situation, where the “lensing mass” is larger than “X-ray mass” has been known for some time (Cypriano et al. 2004, e.g.). While the dynamical mass estimated by lensing effects may overestimate the total mass by including all contributing mass along the line-of-sight, X-ray data derived masses may sometimes under-estimate the total mass, as shown by the numerical simulations by Rasia et al. (2006).

5. Analysis of the velocity distribution

5.1. Kinematical structures

We used the ROSTAT routines (Beers et al. 1990) to analyze the velocity distribution of the spectroscopic sample given in Table A.1. We identified the kinematic structures using the method of the weighted gap analysis, as discussed in Ribeiro et al. (2003). A weighted gap is defined by $y_i = (w_i g_i)^{-1/2}$, where the g_i s are the measured gaps between the ordered velocities, and the w_i s are a set of approximately Gaussian weights. A gap is considered significant if its value is greater than 2.25 (Wainer & Thissen 1976). The presence of large gaps in the velocity distribution indicates that we are not sampling a single structure. Figure 10a shows the redshift histogram for the entire spectroscopic sample where we have marked the main kinematical structures, defined as those having 3 or more members, found from the ROSTAT gap analysis.

The dominating kinematical structure labelled D, at redshift ~ 0.22 , is (kinematically) centered on the brightest galaxy of the cluster A1942 (#067 in Table A.1; $z = 0.225$). It neighbours structures C and E which, given the relatively small redshift distances ($\Delta z \sim 0.012$), may, together with structure D, belong to the same superstructure. A new gap analysis using this

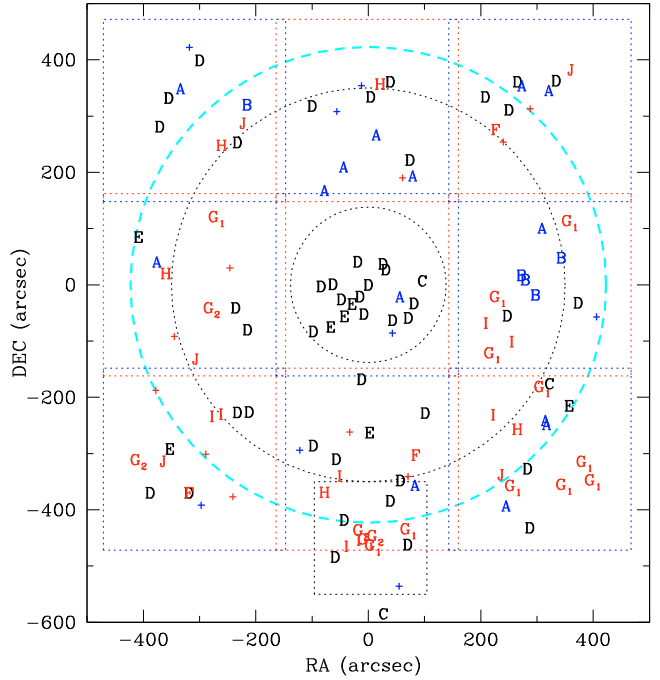


Fig. 11. The projected distribution of the spectroscopic sample galaxies (Table A.1). Positions are given as offsets from the brightest A1942 galaxy, (#067 of Table A.1). Galaxies are labelled according to the kinematical structures they belong to, given in Fig. 10a, whereas the crosses correspond to galaxies not assigned to any of them. The dotted lines are the boundaries of the EFOSC fields (Sect. 3), with the most southern one centered at the position of the “dark clump” suggested by Erben et al. (2000). The dashed circle of radius $r_{200} = 1.53 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc (~ 420 arcsec) shows the limits of the virialized cluster. The dotted circles have radii $0.5 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc (~ 138 arcsec) and $1.26 h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc (~ 350 arcsec, roughly corresponding to the region of X-ray emission).

subsample finds the same gaps as the previous analysis, indicating that these structures are indeed kinematically distinct from each other.

Using the sample of 44 redshifts belonging to structure D, which we identify with the cluster A1942, we may obtain the cluster mean recessional velocity, $\overline{cz} = 67493^{+226}_{-249}$ km s $^{-1}$, which corresponds to the redshift $z_{A1942} = z_D = 0.22513^6$. For comparison, the recessional velocity of the brightest galaxy of the cluster is 67 402 km s $^{-1}$. The cluster velocity dispersion corrected following Danese et al. (1980) is found to be $\sigma_{\text{corr}} = 908^{+147}_{-139}$ km s $^{-1}$. We notice that all the normality tests included in the ROSTAT package fail to reject the null hypothesis of a Gaussian distribution for this sample. The neighbour kinematical structures C and E are located at $z_C = 0.20938$ and $z_E = 0.23588$.

Figure 11 shows the projected distribution of the galaxies corresponding to the kinematical structures discussed above. Notice that galaxies belonging to structures C, D and E seem to populate the same regions in projection, corroborating the suggestion that they are part of a bigger superstructure. The plot also suggests that the main structure D, which is the cluster A1942 itself, extends into a large region, maybe even larger than the one covered by our observations.

The wedge diagrams of galaxies in right ascension and declination are displayed in Fig. 12. Both show the cluster and all galaxies collected in a square of 14.5 arcmin around the cluster centre. The main fore and background concentrations of

⁶ In this paper means and dispersions are given as biweighted estimates, see Beers et al. (1990). Error bars are 90% confidence intervals.

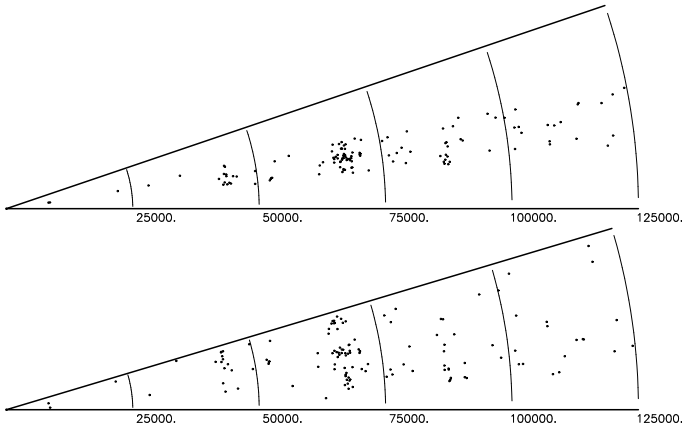


Fig. 12. Wedge velocity diagram in right ascension (*top*), and declination (*bottom*) for the galaxies in the Abell 1942 field.

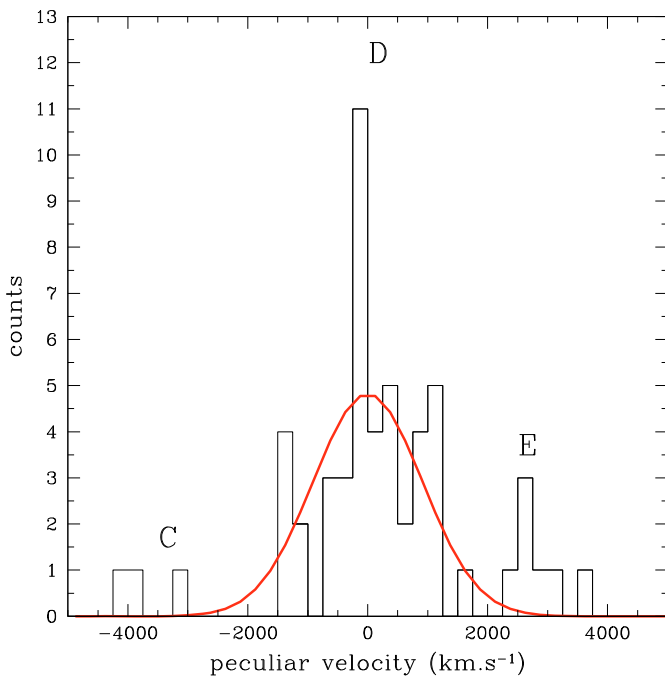


Fig. 13. Peculiar velocity distribution in the interval comprising structures C, D and E. The continuous curve is a Gaussian with dispersion equal to that of structure D (Sect. 5.1).

Fig. 10a, respectively A and G of Fig. 10a are clearly seen in this figure.

Figure 13 shows the peculiar velocity distribution, $v_{\text{pec}} = c(z - z_D)/(1 + z_D)$ of this sample. There are 3 galaxies belonging to the “E” group which are at the position corresponding to the X-ray substructure at 1.7 arcmin towards the southeast of the cluster centre (see Sect. 4). We cannot conclude about a possible heating of A1942 by a merging background group.

5.2. The dark clump

A massive dark clump (hereafter DC), with total mass equivalent to a rich cluster of galaxies and situated about 7 arcmin south of the A1942 centre, was first suggested by Erben et al. (2000) based on a weak lensing signal detection made on high quality images obtained with the CFHT telescope. However, a more detailed study by von der Linden et al. (2006), using HST quality observations, confirmed the weak lensing signal detection but

with much less significance. This finding, together with the fact that Chandra observations of the field did not show any significant extended X-ray emission in the DC direction (Sect. 4), led the authors to scale down the total mass of the cluster by a factor of, at least, two compared to the original value estimated by Erben et al. (2000), making unlikely the hypothesis of a dark matter halo of the size of a galaxy cluster. However, as the authors have pointed out, there is a noticeable excess of galaxies in this region, which is also apparent from the isopleths of the projected density of galaxies displayed in Fig. 3. Note that the projected density distribution near the DC region is elongated in the same direction shown in the mass density maps produced by von der Linden et al. (2006) (see Fig. 9 of their paper), although much more extended than was found there (the mass density enhancements found by von der Linden et al. (2006) are mostly concentrated inside the dashed circle delimiting the DC region).

We have spectroscopic data for 15 galaxies in the DC direction, most of them in the background relative to A1942, as can be seen in Fig. 11. The redshift distribution of these galaxies is shown in panel (b) of Fig. 10. As it can be seen by comparing with panel (a), the DC redshift distribution may be decomposed into the same kinematical groups as for the rest of the field. Hence, the spectroscopic data indicate that, considering only galaxies in the cluster background, $z > z_D$, there are two main kinematical structures, namely *G* and *I*, that may be contributing to the weak-lensing signal associated with the DC. However, as it can be seen in Fig. 11, these 2 structures are much more spatially extended than the DC region, and tend to populate the entire southern part of field, as do, in fact, most of the background galaxies we measured.

Additional clues to possible matter condensations that may be contributing to the weak-lens signal in the direction of the DC can be obtained by looking at the distribution of photometric redshifts. As part of an ongoing project of estimating photometric redshifts for all galaxies brighter than $r = 21$ in the SDSS/DR6 using a procedure called Locally Weighted Regression briefly described in the Appendix (see also Atkeson et al. 1997; Boris et al. 2007; Abdalla et al. 2008), we have produced our own estimates of photometric redshifts for the region of Fig. 1.

Figure 14 show the distribution of photometric redshifts obtained with the LWR technique for galaxies belonging both to the DC region and to its complementary region within the 18×18 arcsec field of Fig. 3. Besides the fact that the brightest galaxies tend to avoid the DC region (shaded histograms), for the fainter galaxies ($18^{\text{mag}} < m_r < 21^{\text{mag}}$) it can be seen that, while the redshift distribution of the complementary DC field peaks for redshifts ≥ 0.3 (bottom panel), within the DC region it extends almost uniformly in the interval $0.3 < z_{\text{LWR}} < 0.45$.

In order to see if the differences between the redshift distributions have some spatial counterparts, we show in Fig. 15 the surface density of galaxies normalized by their total number⁷, for two subsamples of faint galaxies, selected according to their photometric redshifts: galaxies with photometric redshifts in the interval $0.2 < z_{\text{LWR}} < 0.25$ (panel A), which in principle should have a greater probability of belonging to cluster A1942; and galaxies with $0.3 < z_{\text{LWR}} < 0.45$ (panel B) which constitute the major fraction of galaxies projected in the DC region. Comparing these 2 panels, it appears that galaxies with higher redshifts seem to have a slightly higher probability of being found near the DC direction than galaxies in the low redshift interval. This suggests that the density excess seen by

⁷ Since we are using a continuously differentiable kernel for the density estimations, this quantity is in fact a probability density.

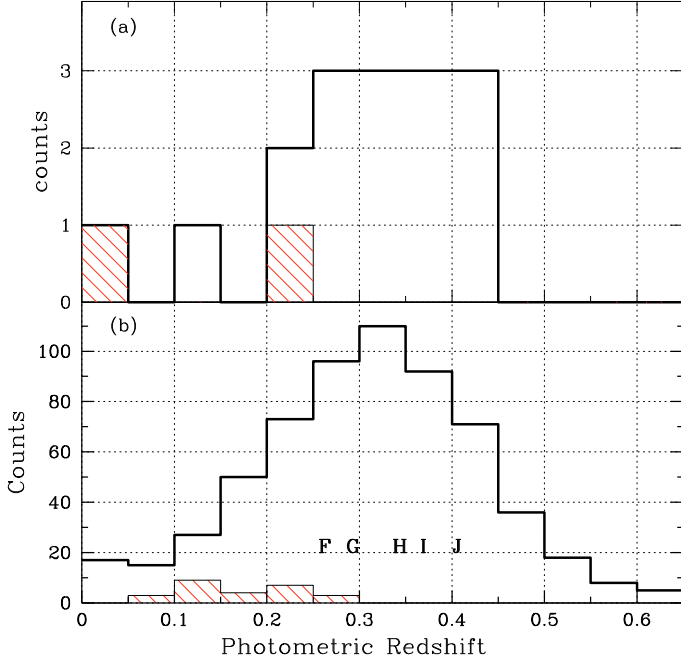


Fig. 14. The distribution of photometric redshifts for galaxies projected: **a)** in a 120 arcsec radius circle enclosing the DC region; **b)** in its complementary region within the 18×18 arcsec field of Fig. 3. Shaded histograms corresponds to the brighter sample of galaxies $15^{\text{mag}} < m_r < 18^{\text{mag}}$ and thick lines histogram to the fainter sample $18^{\text{mag}} < m_r < 21^{\text{mag}}$. Letters identify some of the kinematical structures found in Fig. 10a.

Erben et al. (2000) should be due to line-of-sight background structures. Note that galaxies at this redshift are too faint to be included in our spectroscopic sample. Nevertheless, this is a hint of another structure that may be contributing to the weak-lensing signal. In conclusion, our analysis suggests that the DC weak-lensing signal, if not a mere statistical fluctuation (von der Linden et al. 2006), is probably produced by several structures along the line-of-sight.

6. Summary and conclusion

We have investigated the cluster of galaxies Abell 1942. More than a hundred new spectroscopic redshifts were measured in a 14×14 region around its centre. Together with X-ray archive data from Chandra, and photometric data from SDSS, we were able to perform a dynamical and kinematical analysis of this cluster for the first time.

- We found that about half of the observed galaxies are kinematic members of the cluster. We have also found some kinematical evidence for the presence of nearby groups of galaxies whose spatial counterparts however have not been confirmed. The cluster is situated at redshift 0.22513.
- Our analysis indicates that inside a radius of $\sim 1.7h_{70}^{-1}$ Mpc (~ 7 arcmin) the cluster galaxy distribution is well relaxed without any remarkable features and with a mean velocity dispersion of $\sigma = 908^{+147}_{-139}$ km s $^{-1}$.
- We have analyzed archival Chandra data and derived a mean temperature $kT = 5.5 \pm 0.5$ keV and metal abundance $Z = 0.33 \pm 0.15 Z_{\odot}$. The velocity dispersion corresponding to this temperature using the T_X - σ scaling relation is in good agreement with the measured galaxies velocities. The X-ray emission traces fairly well the galaxy distribution.

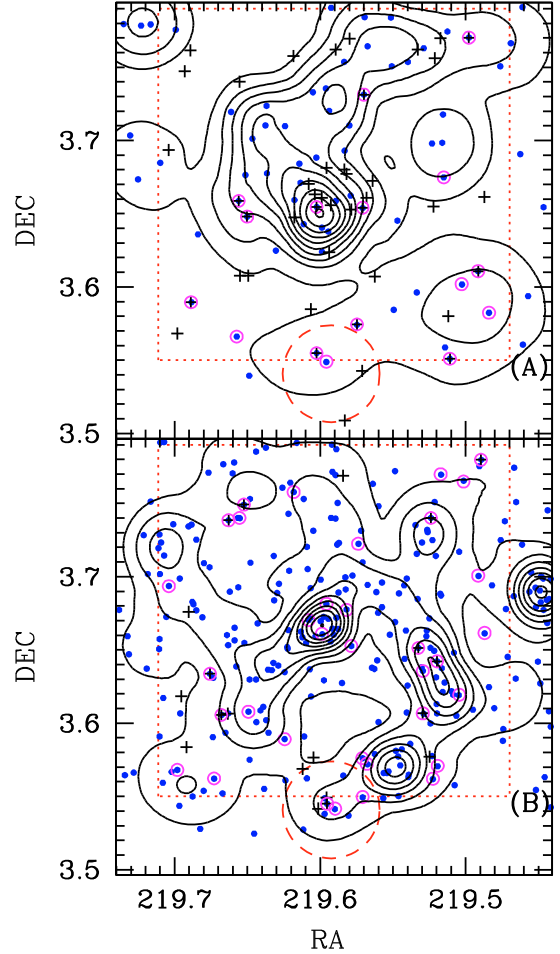


Fig. 15. Contours of the surface probability density of galaxies for 2 subsamples of faint galaxies selected according to their photometric redshift. *Upper panel:* $0.2 < z_{\text{LWR}} < 0.25$; *lower panel:* $0.3 < z_{\text{LWR}} < 0.45$. *Filled circles* show the positions of galaxies of the selected samples; those galaxies having a measured spectroscopic redshift are denoted by a large *open circle*. Galaxies from the spectroscopic sample having z_{spec} in the same interval defining the sample are denoted by *crosses*. Contours are equally spaced by $\Delta_{\Sigma} = 0.12$ with the highest level at $\Sigma_{\text{Prob}}^{\text{max}} = 5 \times 10^{-6}$ arcsec $^{-2}$.

- We derive dynamical mass estimates of the cluster, assuming hydrostatic equilibrium of the (isothermal) intracluster X-ray emitting gas. At a radius equivalent to r_{500} we obtained $M_{\text{dyn}}(< r_{500}) \sim 5 \times 10^{14} M_{\odot}$. An estimate of the dynamical mass using the gravitational arc found at about ~ 8.2 arcsec from the cluster centre showed it to be consistent with that derived from the hydrostatic equilibrium hypothesis.
- We do not confirm the mass concentration 7 arcmin south of the cluster centre from our dynamical and X-ray analysis. However, we do see a concentration of background galaxies towards these regions which may be the origin of the weak lensing signal detected before.

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Appendix A:

Locally Weighted Regression (LWR) is a statistical method of a class known as memory-based learning. In this type of method, a training set remains stored until a result, an answer from a query, is obtained. LWR establishes a linear relationship between photometric feature vectors (magnitudes or colours and/or additional photometric parameters) and redshift which is local because redshift estimation, at a given point in feature space, weights the data points more heavily in the neighbourhood of this point than those more distant. For this work, we have used SDSS magnitudes (u, g, r, i, z) for the feature vectors. The training set contains feature vectors and spectroscopic redshifts for all objects and, from these values, we build a redshift estimator which is applied to the galaxies in the A1942 field.

For the training set, we have constructed a sample with 40 951 unique galaxy spectroscopic redshifts, using a similar procedure described in [Oyaizu et al. \(2008\)](#). We randomly selected 20 000 redshifts from the SDSS-DR6 spectroscopic sample ([Adelman-McCarthy et al. 2006](#)), with confidence level $z_{\text{conf}} > 0.9$. We also included the following unique galaxy redshifts from other surveys: 290 from CFRS (Canada-France Redshift Survey, [Lilly et al. \(1995\)](#)), with $\text{Class} > 1$; 229 from DEEP (Deep Extragalactic Evolutionary Probe, [Davis et al. \(2001\)](#)) with $q_z = A$ or B ; 6,245 from DEEP2 ([Weiner et al. 2005](#)) with $z_{\text{quality}} \geq 3$; 414 from CNOC2 (Canadian Network for Observational Cosmology Field Galaxy Survey, [Yee et al. 2000](#)); 13 257 from 2SLAQ (2dF-SDSS LRG and QSO Survey, [Cannon et al. 2006](#)) with $z_{\text{op}} \geq 3$; and 416 from TKRS (Team Keck Redshift Survey, [Wirth et al. \(2004\)](#)) with $z_{\text{quality}} > 1$.

We have tested the method by comparing the photometric redshifts with the measured spectroscopic ones (described in Sect. 3). These results are quoted in Table A.1. Using a sigma-clipping procedure in order to exclude catastrophic outliers ($\sim 5\%$ of the sample) we found a rms dispersion of 0.097 between z_{phot} and z_{spec} .

Table A.1. Positions, photometric data, photometric and spectroscopic redshifts for galaxies of Abell 1942.

| Gal. | RA (2000) | Dec (2000) | <i>u</i> | <i>g</i> | <i>r</i> | <i>i</i> | <i>z</i> | z_{phot} (LWR) | Error | z_{spec} | Error | Notes |
|------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------|---|
| 1 | 14 37 54.75 | +03 39 15.7 | 22.301 | 20.283 | 19.315 | 18.907 | 18.610 | 0.088 | 0.052 | 0.16488 | 0.00032 | em: $H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 2 | 14 37 55.18 | +03 34 22.7 | 22.875 | 22.012 | 20.747 | 20.191 | 19.755 | 0.459 | 0.075 | 0.29303 | 0.00014 | R: 4.85 |
| 3 | 14 37 56.19 | +03 34 54.9 | 25.629 | 21.395 | 19.982 | 19.437 | 18.886 | 0.221 | 0.047 | 0.29046 | 0.00018 | R: 5.04 |
| 4 | 14 37 56.94 | +03 39 41.9 | 22.573 | 21.417 | 19.943 | 19.406 | 19.069 | 0.350 | 0.057 | 0.22980 | 0.00028 | R: 3.02 |
| 5 | 14 37 57.52 | +03 46 50.9 | 23.519 | 22.251 | 20.674 | 20.148 | 19.854 | 0.339 | 0.072 | 0.39893 | 0.00012 | em: OII |
| 6 | 14 37 57.98 | +03 42 03.4 | 20.923 | 20.545 | 19.734 | 19.428 | 19.128 | 0.415 | 0.057 | 0.29414 | 0.00010 | em: OII |
| 7 | 14 37 58.00 | +03 36 38.2 | 22.116 | 20.677 | 19.533 | 19.059 | 18.812 | 0.249 | 0.077 | 0.24038 | 0.00018 | R: 3.04 |
| 8 | 14 37 58.58 | +03 34 14.6 | 21.339 | 20.364 | 19.499 | 19.272 | 19.138 | 0.269 | 0.048 | 0.29027 | 0.00032 | R: 3.12 very weak |
| 9 | 14 37 58.93 | +03 41 01.5 | 20.440 | 19.154 | 18.370 | 17.979 | 17.697 | 0.161 | 0.038 | 0.17489 | 0.00015 | R: 6.12 |
| 10 | 14 37 59.55 | +03 46 16.2 | 22.249 | 20.199 | 18.866 | 18.369 | 18.097 | 0.242 | 0.039 | 0.22297 | 0.00012 | R: 8.47 |
| 11 | 14 38 00.38 | +03 37 17.2 | 23.322 | 21.762 | 21.536 | 21.339 | 21.695 | | | 0.20759 | 0.00016 | R: 3.37 |
| 12 | 14 38 00.42 | +03 45 56.6 | 25.051 | 20.510 | 19.558 | 19.074 | 18.817 | 0.325 | 0.047 | 0.14665 | 0.00019 | R: 3.67 |
| 13 | 14 38 00.71 | +03 36 05.4 | 21.946 | 22.071 | 19.872 | 19.780 | 19.128 | 0.216 | 0.042 | 0.14199 | 0.00019 | R: 3.02 |
| 14 | 14 38 00.83 | +03 36 12.5 | 21.851 | 19.601 | 18.663 | 18.245 | 17.891 | 0.096 | 0.024 | 0.14403 | 0.00056 | em: OII, $H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 15 | 14 38 01.17 | +03 37 08.4 | 21.853 | 19.828 | 18.205 | 17.659 | 17.301 | 0.303 | 0.023 | 0.29125 | 0.00016 | R: 5.82 |
| 16 | 14 38 01.21 | +03 41 54.4 | 19.853 | 18.450 | 17.615 | 17.193 | 16.917 | 0.142 | 0.027 | 0.14915 | 0.00016 | R: 4.90 em: OII $z = 0.15048$ SDSS |
| 17 | 14 38 02.00 | +03 39 55.6 | 21.189 | 20.104 | 19.564 | 19.276 | 19.145 | 0.134 | 0.042 | 0.17558 | 0.00013 | em: $H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 18 | 14 38 02.48 | +03 45 26.4 | 22.480 | 20.698 | 22.549 | 19.353 | 19.569 | | | 0.26529 | 0.00038 | R: 3.09 |
| 19 | 14 38 02.66 | +03 33 01.2 | 23.727 | 20.840 | 19.613 | 19.158 | 18.871 | 0.231 | 0.055 | 0.22390 | 0.00013 | R: 3.08 |
| 20 | 14 38 02.96 | +03 34 46.5 | 21.334 | 19.434 | 18.194 | 17.724 | 17.519 | 0.196 | 0.023 | 0.22483 | 0.00008 | R: 10.67 |
| 21 | 14 38 03.21 | +03 40 22.3 | 20.371 | 19.098 | 18.264 | 17.662 | 17.352 | 0.156 | 0.036 | 0.17596 | 0.00014 | R: 3.62 0.17548 0.00043 em: OII, $H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 22 | 14 38 03.62 | +03 46 07.7 | 20.601 | 19.248 | 18.463 | 18.034 | 17.765 | 0.138 | 0.042 | 0.14806 | 0.00021 | R: 3.61 |
| 23 | 14 38 03.68 | +03 40 30.3 | 21.757 | 20.351 | 19.766 | 19.501 | 19.698 | 0.201 | 0.046 | 0.17642 | 0.00021 | em: OII, $H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 24 | 14 38 04.17 | +03 35 56.5 | 22.681 | 21.958 | 21.090 | 20.874 | 21.121 | 0.342 | 0.098 | 0.33790 | 0.00014 | em: OII very weak |
| 25 | 14 38 04.20 | +03 46 14.7 | 22.609 | 21.378 | 20.237 | 19.729 | 19.337 | 0.385 | 0.077 | 0.22394 | 0.00025 | R: 3.03 |
| 26 | 14 38 04.68 | +03 34 12.7 | 22.362 | 21.003 | 19.625 | 19.110 | 18.755 | 0.318 | 0.059 | 0.29304 | 0.00014 | R: 4.68 |
| 27 | 14 38 04.80 | +03 38 31.5 | 23.483 | 22.528 | 20.851 | 20.272 | 19.915 | 0.436 | 0.064 | 0.36106 | 0.00019 | R: 3.11 |
| 28 | 14 38 05.18 | +03 45 24.4 | 23.857 | 20.491 | 19.257 | 18.727 | 18.261 | 0.177 | 0.038 | 0.22919 | 0.00019 | R: 4.13 |
| 29 | 14 38 05.37 | +03 39 17.9 | 22.576 | 21.189 | 19.989 | 19.554 | 19.158 | 0.293 | 0.087 | 0.22980 | 0.00028 | R: 3.02 weak |
| 30 | 14 38 05.49 | +03 33 40.5 | 21.891 | 20.160 | 19.317 | 18.912 | 18.602 | 0.352 | 0.065 | 0.14504 | 0.00022 | R: 4.75 |
| 31 | 14 38 05.82 | +03 44 26.5 | 21.756 | 20.838 | 19.485 | 18.924 | 18.676 | 0.372 | 0.068 | 0.32107 | 0.00021 | R: 3.48 |
| 32 | 14 38 06.03 | +03 34 35.4 | 22.062 | 20.404 | 19.384 | 18.980 | 18.790 | 0.161 | 0.067 | 0.40309 | 0.00027 | em: OII, $H\delta, H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 33 | 14 38 06.45 | +03 39 47.6 | 22.943 | 21.288 | 19.747 | 19.217 | 18.856 | 0.339 | 0.045 | 0.28833 | 0.00016 | R: 4.18 em: OII $z = 0.28834$ |
| 34 | 14 38 06.80 | +03 44 49.2 | 22.127 | 20.474 | 19.949 | 19.878 | 19.953 | | | 0.25692 | 0.00012 | em: $H\beta$ |
| 35 | 14 38 07.13 | +03 36 23.2 | 23.965 | 22.246 | 20.588 | 20.044 | 19.473 | 0.390 | 0.045 | 0.37891 | 0.00021 | R: 4.18 |
| 36 | 14 38 07.13 | +03 38 07.4 | 24.399 | 22.260 | 20.468 | 20.043 | 19.768 | 0.406 | 0.044 | 0.29209 | 0.00035 | R: 2.63 very weak |
| 37 | 14 38 07.86 | +03 39 04.8 | 21.160 | 19.789 | 18.216 | 17.651 | 17.293 | 0.302 | 0.026 | 0.36109 | 0.00019 | R: 3.65 |
| 38 | 14 38 07.97 | +03 45 46.6 | 21.026 | 20.384 | 19.762 | 19.427 | 19.600 | 0.295 | 0.047 | 0.22180 | 0.00014 | em: OII |
| 39 | 14 38 15.12 | +03 36 25.3 | 21.255 | 20.318 | 19.765 | 19.584 | 19.227 | 0.181 | 0.043 | 0.23002 | 0.00013 | em: OII |
| 40 | 14 38 15.42 | +03 40 20.9 | 23.061 | 21.657 | 20.284 | 19.837 | 19.607 | 0.265 | 0.080 | 0.20869 | 0.00018 | R: 3.04 very weak |
| 41 | 14 38 16.24 | +03 35 10.3 | 21.536 | 20.649 | 19.774 | 19.324 | 18.969 | 0.270 | 0.051 | 0.25485 | 0.00020 | R: 3.09 very weak |
| 42 | 14 38 16.41 | +03 34 17.4 | 22.596 | 21.341 | 20.664 | 20.383 | 20.303 | 0.335 | 0.078 | 0.15343 | 0.00026 | R: 3.01 |
| 43 | 14 38 16.46 | +03 39 40.0 | 22.922 | 20.650 | 19.317 | 18.834 | 18.422 | 0.259 | 0.043 | 0.22237 | 0.00011 | R: 7.46 |
| 44 | 14 38 16.58 | +03 43 26.7 | 20.507 | 19.752 | 19.339 | 18.988 | 19.037 | 0.163 | 0.036 | 0.14155 | 0.00045 | em: $H\beta, 2OIII$ |
| 45 | 14 38 16.88 | +03 43 54.9 | 21.584 | 19.492 | 18.152 | 17.668 | 17.398 | 0.235 | 0.022 | 0.21841 | 0.00013 | R: 6.82 |
| 46 | 14 38 17.09 | +03 39 14.5 | 24.485 | 20.968 | 19.739 | 19.263 | 19.063 | 0.228 | 0.040 | 0.22257 | 0.00021 | R: 3.66 |
| 47 | 14 38 17.12 | +03 32 55.4 | 22.234 | 21.133 | 20.213 | 19.818 | 19.823 | 0.313 | 0.062 | 0.29395 | 0.00021 | R: 3.90 |
| 48 | 14 38 17.15 | +03 34 32.0 | 22.210 | 21.069 | 19.866 | 19.263 | 18.889 | 0.407 | 0.077 | 0.26918 | 0.00004 | em: $H\beta$ |
| 49 | 14 38 17.16 | +03 32 31.2 | 21.720 | 20.624 | 19.635 | 19.315 | 19.057 | 0.278 | 0.057 | 0.22896 | 0.00028 | R: 3.28 |
| 50 | 14 38 17.83 | +03 43 23.2 | 23.431 | 21.609 | 20.348 | 19.810 | 19.302 | 0.352 | 0.070 | 0.26016 | 0.00017 | R: 3.04 weak |
| 51 | 14 38 18.04 | +03 34 25.5 | 22.301 | 20.024 | 18.659 | 18.178 | 17.800 | 0.240 | 0.029 | 0.22682 | 0.00009 | R: 10.73 0.22625 0.00013 R: 6.62 |
| 52 | 14 38 18.12 | +03 39 52.4 | 22.875 | 20.492 | 19.459 | 19.136 | 18.893 | 0.123 | 0.054 | 0.15097 | 0.00019 | R: 3.04 |
| 53 | 14 38 18.20 | +03 31 17.7 | 17.311 | 15.965 | 15.362 | 15.047 | 14.814 | 0.039 | 0.016 | 0.02899 | 0.00020 | em: $H\beta, H\alpha, SI$ SDSS |
| 54 | 14 38 18.93 | +03 38 22.5 | 23.251 | 22.207 | 21.814 | 21.666 | 21.927 | 0.681 | 0.192 | 0.02816 | 0.00006 | em: $H\alpha, NII$ SDSS |
| 55 | 14 38 18.97 | +03 39 09.8 | 22.256 | 20.970 | 19.718 | 19.227 | 18.844 | 0.321 | 0.081 | 0.22833 | 0.00015 | R: 5.54 |
| 56 | 14 38 19.23 | +03 46 13.9 | 22.991 | 20.532 | 19.203 | 18.692 | 18.329 | 0.270 | 0.038 | 0.22880 | 0.00013 | R: 6.42 |
| 57 | 14 38 19.27 | +03 33 49.3 | 20.389 | 18.982 | 17.694 | 17.256 | 16.943 | 0.235 | 0.031 | 0.22719 | 0.00011 | R: 5.27 0.22625 0.00031 R: 3.08 |
| 58 | 14 38 19.76 | +03 40 39.1 | 22.874 | 21.837 | 20.579 | 20.031 | 19.806 | 0.384 | 0.073 | 0.22383 | 0.00019 | R: 3.05 |

Table A.1. continued.

| Gal. | RA (2000) | Dec (2000) | <i>u</i> | <i>g</i> | <i>r</i> | <i>i</i> | <i>z</i> | z_{phot} (LWR) | Error | z_{spec} | Error | Notes |
|------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------|---|
| 59 | 14 38 20.02 | +03 30 27.9 | 21.294 | 20.017 | 19.247 | 18.872 | 18.719 | 0.157 | 0.053 | 0.21106 | | uncertain |
| 60 | 14 38 20.09 | +03 40 50.2 | 22.755 | 20.676 | 19.276 | 18.784 | 18.420 | 0.268 | 0.061 | 0.22985 | 0.00033 | R: 3.09 |
| 61 | 14 38 20.41 | +03 46 10.4 | 22.100 | 21.369 | 20.538 | 20.746 | 20.110 | 0.296 | 0.080 | 0.34347 | 0.00009 | em: OII |
| 62 | 14 38 20.96 | +03 44 39.8 | 19.853 | 18.004 | 16.937 | 16.511 | 16.140 | 0.138 | 0.011 | 0.14667 | 0.00010 | R: 7.71 SDSS |
| 63 | 14 38 21.47 | +03 32 43.8 | 23.094 | 21.450 | 21.075 | 21.075 | 21.220 | 0.131 | 0.105 | 0.30440 | 0.00012 | em: OII |
| 64 | 14 38 21.59 | +03 45 47.3 | 21.247 | 19.623 | 18.316 | 17.857 | 17.495 | 0.261 | 0.028 | 0.22408 | 0.00010 | R: 8.12 |
| 65 | 14 38 21.63 | +03 35 51.1 | 22.705 | 21.938 | 21.277 | 20.982 | 20.928 | 0.359 | 0.104 | 0.23596 | 0.00026 | R: 3.03 |
| 66 | 14 38 21.67 | +03 32 27.2 | 23.958 | 21.441 | 20.062 | 19.457 | 19.171 | 0.354 | 0.037 | 0.29285 | 0.00021 | R: 4.65 |
| 67 | 14 38 21.85 | +03 40 12.9 | 19.720 | 17.557 | 16.226 | 15.698 | 15.331 | 0.168 | 0.015 | 0.22483 | 0.00025 | R: 5.55 SDSS |
| 68 | 14 38 22.39 | +03 39 21.3 | 22.314 | 21.480 | 20.161 | 19.685 | 19.390 | 0.410 | 0.095 | 0.22662 | 0.00044 | R: 3.01 weak |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.22573 | 0.00029 | R: 3.01 weak |
| 69 | 14 38 22.55 | +03 32 36.8 | 23.520 | 21.309 | 20.153 | 19.598 | 19.307 | 0.260 | 0.064 | 0.29351 | 0.00019 | R: 3.22 |
| 70 | 14 38 22.63 | +03 37 25.3 | 21.054 | 19.479 | 18.418 | 18.027 | 17.748 | 0.196 | 0.036 | 0.21867 | 0.00021 | R: 3.02 |
| 71 | 14 38 22.64 | +03 46 07.4 | 20.394 | 19.406 | 18.722 | 18.370 | 18.211 | 0.195 | 0.035 | 0.16666 | 0.00033 | R: 3.19 em: OII, H β , 2OIII $z = 0.16471$ |
| 72 | 14 38 22.84 | +03 39 51.8 | 21.552 | 19.317 | 17.966 | 17.468 | 17.138 | 0.230 | 0.017 | 0.22109 | 0.00012 | R: 8.56 |
| 73 | 14 38 22.98 | +03 32 39.3 | 22.065 | 21.421 | 20.172 | 19.629 | 19.316 | 0.434 | 0.065 | 0.36555 | 0.00010 | R: 3.03 |
| 74 | 14 38 23.13 | +03 40 53.6 | 22.720 | 20.210 | 18.869 | 18.387 | 18.051 | 0.318 | 0.031 | 0.23017 | 0.00024 | R: 3.62 |
| 75 | 14 38 23.15 | +03 32 53.9 | 20.972 | 19.839 | 19.074 | 18.676 | 18.454 | 0.211 | 0.039 | 0.30181 | 0.00023 | R: 3.02 em: $z = 0.30277$ |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.30318 | 0.00017 | R: 5.12 |
| 76 | 14 38 23.83 | +03 39 39.4 | 21.773 | 20.782 | 19.589 | 19.115 | 18.804 | 0.380 | 0.079 | 0.23579 | 0.00013 | R: 6.69 |
| 77 | 14 38 24.19 | +03 35 48.2 | 22.968 | 21.574 | 20.381 | 19.920 | 19.623 | 0.269 | 0.080 | 0.26374 | 0.00023 | uncertain |
| 78 | 14 38 24.43 | +03 32 26.8 | 21.937 | 20.926 | 20.256 | 20.192 | 19.883 | 0.136 | 0.065 | 0.36131 | 0.00025 | R: 3.04 |
| 79 | 14 38 24.73 | +03 33 14.6 | 22.114 | 20.126 | 18.846 | 18.340 | 17.986 | 0.220 | 0.039 | 0.22586 | 0.00008 | R: 10.74 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.22608 | 0.00010 | R: 8.15 |
| 80 | 14 38 24.73 | +03 39 17.3 | 22.317 | 20.532 | 19.251 | 18.779 | 18.488 | 0.231 | 0.053 | 0.23644 | 0.00013 | R: 6.53 |
| 81 | 14 38 24.80 | +03 43 42.9 | 20.938 | 18.910 | 17.809 | 17.331 | 16.989 | 0.165 | 0.015 | 0.14675 | 0.00012 | R: 6.85 |
| 82 | 14 38 25.04 | +03 39 47.5 | 20.779 | 19.689 | 18.901 | 18.609 | 18.472 | 0.193 | 0.040 | 0.21830 | 0.00038 | R: 3.15 |
| 83 | 14 38 25.27 | +03 34 33.1 | 22.222 | 21.431 | 20.966 | 20.740 | 20.422 | 0.272 | 0.098 | 0.37008 | | em: OII |
| 84 | 14 38 25.60 | +03 45 20.7 | 19.274 | 18.234 | 17.928 | 17.680 | 17.566 | 0.053 | 0.027 | 0.07448 | 0.00011 | em: OII, H β , 2OIII |
| 85 | 14 38 25.67 | +03 35 03.9 | 21.409 | 19.570 | 18.541 | 18.120 | 17.821 | 0.137 | 0.035 | 0.22499 | 0.00010 | R: 8.59 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.22524 | 0.00010 | R: 8.15 |
| 86 | 14 38 26.03 | +03 40 14.1 | 22.982 | 21.885 | 20.461 | 20.038 | 19.848 | 0.333 | 0.065 | 0.21985 | 0.00016 | R: 3.02 |
| 87 | 14 38 25.80 | +03 32 09.5 | 22.822 | 23.250 | 22.193 | 21.833 | 21.383 | 0.668 | 0.036 | 0.22622 | 0.00022 | R: 3.01 |
| 88 | 14 38 26.30 | +03 38 58.5 | 21.026 | 18.472 | 17.052 | 16.540 | 16.232 | 0.241 | 0.017 | 0.23593 | 0.00019 | R: 5.05 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.23549 | | SDSS |
| 89 | 14 38 27.03 | +03 43 01.2 | 19.550 | 17.503 | 16.405 | 15.977 | 15.635 | 0.144 | 0.014 | 0.14532 | 0.00017 | R: 4.06 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.14621 | | SDSS |
| 90 | 14 38 27.09 | +03 34 04.5 | 23.120 | 20.514 | 19.461 | 19.071 | 18.641 | 0.092 | 0.045 | 0.34219 | 0.00050 | weak |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.33940 | 0.00050 | weak |
| 91 | 14 38 27.37 | +03 40 07.1 | 25.064 | 22.839 | 21.524 | 21.082 | 20.670 | 0.553 | 0.047 | 0.22561 | 0.00024 | R: 4.13 |
| 92 | 14 38 28.39 | +03 38 50.5 | 22.461 | 20.825 | 19.470 | 18.997 | 18.683 | 0.260 | 0.058 | 0.22131 | 0.00015 | R: 4.37 |
| 93 | 14 38 28.43 | +03 35 25.6 | 24.400 | 22.198 | 21.362 | 20.886 | 20.815 | 0.449 | 0.065 | 0.22557 | 0.00019 | R: 3.02 very weak |
| 94 | 14 38 28.54 | +03 45 30.8 | 23.794 | 23.036 | 20.741 | 20.093 | 19.901 | 0.403 | 0.044 | 0.23129 | | uncertain |
| 95 | 14 38 30.00 | +03 35 18.4 | 22.482 | 21.345 | 19.838 | 19.322 | 18.905 | 0.354 | 0.062 | 0.09505 | 0.00023 | R: 3.10 |
| 96 | 14 38 35.98 | +03 36 26.6 | 21.731 | 20.405 | 19.267 | 18.867 | 18.612 | 0.320 | 0.069 | 0.21806 | 0.00014 | R: 6.40 |
| 97 | 14 38 36.21 | +03 38 52.6 | 23.617 | 20.411 | 19.112 | 18.621 | 18.335 | 0.217 | 0.032 | 0.22678 | 0.00013 | R: 5.99 |
| 98 | 14 38 36.30 | +03 45 32.9 | 23.684 | 21.893 | 21.179 | 21.024 | 20.955 | 0.216 | 0.041 | 0.17978 | 0.00045 | em: OII, H β , 2OIII |
| 99 | 14 38 36.73 | +03 45 00.1 | 23.562 | 21.635 | 20.110 | 19.527 | 19.022 | 0.385 | 0.039 | 0.39874 | 0.00024 | R: 3.57 |
| 100 | 14 38 37.40 | +03 36 26.6 | 21.741 | 20.215 | 18.877 | 18.408 | 18.055 | 0.275 | 0.046 | 0.22483 | 0.00021 | R: 4.01 |
| 101 | 14 38 37.47 | +03 44 26.4 | 22.956 | 21.766 | 20.889 | 20.546 | 20.443 | 0.439 | 0.093 | 0.05753 | 0.22473 | 0.00021 R: 3.50 |
| 102 | 14 38 37.59 | +03 39 31.9 | 21.825 | 19.670 | 18.394 | 17.880 | 17.530 | 0.231 | 0.024 | 0.02830 | 0.22427 | 0.00030 R: 4.12 |
| 103 | 14 38 37.98 | +03 33 56.0 | 21.510 | 20.518 | 19.747 | 19.395 | 19.103 | 0.242 | 0.042 | 0.25180 | 0.00044 | R: 3.04 weak |
| 104 | 14 38 38.33 | +03 40 43.4 | 22.905 | 19.760 | 18.606 | 18.110 | 17.679 | 0.059 | 0.028 | 0.62151 | 0.00024 | em: OII |
| 105 | 14 38 39.29 | +03 44 20.9 | 21.654 | 21.366 | 20.396 | 20.120 | 19.559 | 0.300 | 0.078 | 0.33398 | 0.00015 | em: OII |
| 106 | 14 38 39.42 | +03 36 22.1 | 21.334 | 21.310 | 20.142 | 19.736 | 19.408 | 0.451 | 0.055 | 0.38311 | 0.00022 | em: OII very weak |
| 107 | 14 38 39.91 | +03 42 09.5 | 22.294 | 20.753 | 19.591 | 19.116 | 18.755 | 0.268 | 0.078 | 0.29289 | 0.00031 | R: 2.60 very weak |
| 108 | 14 38 40.46 | +03 36 18.6 | 24.890 | 22.091 | 20.952 | 20.713 | 20.275 | 0.340 | 0.047 | 0.38371 | 0.00006 | em: OII |
| 109 | 14 38 40.52 | +03 39 28.4 | 20.868 | 19.866 | 18.629 | 18.155 | 17.762 | 0.272 | 0.057 | 0.29957 | 0.00005 | em: OII, 2OIII |
| 110 | 14 38 41.17 | +03 35 13.1 | 22.309 | 21.852 | 21.153 | 20.822 | 20.640 | 0.538 | 0.098 | 0.32819 | 0.00011 | em: OII |

Table A.1. continued.

| Gal. | RA (2000) | Dec (2000) | <i>u</i> | <i>g</i> | <i>r</i> | <i>i</i> | <i>z</i> | z_{phot} (LWR) | Error | z_{spec} | Error | Notes |
|------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------|-------------------------------|
| 111 | 14 38 41.72 | +03 33 41.4 | 22.291 | 22.062 | 20.516 | 20.044 | 19.596 | 0.381 | 0.063 | 0.18944 | 0.00018 | R: 3.02 |
| 112 | 14 38 41.88 | +03 46 52.5 | 21.558 | 19.208 | 17.751 | 17.233 | 16.821 | 0.248 | 0.018 | 0.22659 | 0.00011 | R: 10.21 |
| 113 | 14 38 42.19 | +03 34 15.8 | | | | | | | | 0.25574 | 0.00026 | em: OII, $H\beta$, 2OIII (★) |
| 114 | 14 38 42.38 | +03 38 00.8 | 22.408 | 20.115 | 18.991 | 18.422 | 17.938 | 0.340 | 0.038 | 0.40693 | | measured on H and K |
| 115 | 14 38 43.13 | +03 47 15.7 | 18.994 | 17.334 | 16.472 | 16.080 | 15.769 | 0.094 | 0.021 | 0.11659 | 0.00011 | R: 9.50 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.11633 | | SDSS |
| 116 | 14 38 43.20 | +03 34 02.6 | 20.200 | 19.075 | 17.956 | 17.445 | 17.172 | 0.210 | 0.041 | 0.22769 | 0.00018 | R: 3.66 |
| 117 | 14 38 44.34 | +03 46 02.7 | 22.847 | 21.024 | 19.962 | 19.585 | 19.747 | 0.023 | 0.082 | 0.14677 | 0.00024 | R: 4.54 |
| 118 | 14 38 44.90 | +03 38 41.6 | 20.823 | 19.396 | 18.763 | 18.474 | 18.399 | 0.081 | 0.042 | 0.26911 | 0.00070 | uncertain |
| 119 | 14 38 45.49 | +03 35 20.7 | 21.925 | 21.059 | 20.466 | 20.170 | 19.895 | 0.239 | 0.075 | 0.23824 | 0.00030 | em: OII, $H\beta$, 2OIII |
| 120 | 14 38 45.59 | +03 45 45.1 | 23.102 | 21.756 | 20.684 | 20.139 | 20.187 | 0.674 | 0.084 | 0.22347 | 0.00022 | R: 3.19 |
| 121 | 14 38 45.88 | +03 40 33.4 | 21.710 | 20.690 | 19.764 | 19.369 | 18.973 | 0.271 | 0.038 | 0.34203 | 0.00026 | R: 3.04 em: OII $z = 0.34238$ |
| 122 | 14 38 46.23 | +03 34 59.1 | 25.929 | 22.260 | 20.808 | 20.204 | 19.685 | 0.574 | 0.047 | 0.41526 | 0.00020 | R: 3.09 weak |
| 123 | 14 38 46.60 | +03 44 53.2 | 25.893 | 22.189 | 20.838 | 20.277 | 19.455 | 0.613 | 0.047 | 0.21933 | 0.00018 | R: 3.01 very weak |
| 124 | 14 38 46.99 | +03 40 54.5 | 19.751 | 18.323 | 17.537 | 17.133 | 16.861 | 0.122 | 0.027 | 0.14636 | 0.00021 | R: 3.09 |
| | | | | | | | | | | 0.14675 | | SDSS |
| 125 | 14 38 47.13 | +03 37 04.4 | 21.057 | 21.050 | 20.447 | 20.451 | 20.669 | 0.148 | 0.107 | 0.32344 | 0.00012 | em: OII |
| 126 | 14 38 47.78 | +03 34 02.7 | 24.408 | 21.495 | 20.163 | 19.775 | 19.359 | 0.311 | 0.047 | 0.22545 | 0.00016 | R: 4.75 |
| 127 | 14 38 49.14 | +03 41 37.7 | 22.913 | 21.242 | 19.542 | 18.985 | 18.646 | 0.354 | 0.036 | 0.23440 | 0.00006 | em: $H\beta$ |
| 128 | 14 38 49.16 | +03 34 58.6 | 22.195 | 21.919 | 21.093 | 20.786 | 20.297 | 0.490 | 0.091 | 0.30402 | 0.00032 | R: 3.02 very weak |

Note to Table A.1: ★ galaxy # 113 is too faint: no photometric data found in the SDSS database.