Photometric analysis of Abell 1689

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Abstract. We carried out a photometric analysis of a sample of early-type galaxies in Abell 1689 at z=0.183, using HST/ACS archive images in the rest-frame V band. We performed a two-dimensional photometric decomposition of each galaxy surface-brightness distribution using the GASP2D fitting algorithm (Méndez-Abreu $et\ al.\ 2008$). We adopted both a Sérsic and de Vau-couleurs law. S0 galaxies were analysed also taking into account a disc component described by an exponential law. The derived photometric parameters, together with the ones previously obtained with the curve of growth method (Houghton $et\ al.\ 2012$), will be used to analyse the Fundamental Plane of Abell 1689 and quantify how it is affected by the use of different decomposition techniques (Dalla Bontà $et\ al.\ 2013$, in preparation). The stellar velocity dispersions of the sample galaxies were derived by using GEMINI-N/GMOS and VLT/FLAMES (D'Eugenio $et\ al.\ 2013$) spectroscopic data.

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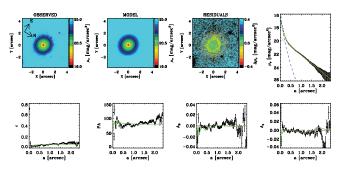


Figure 1. Two-dimensional photometric decomposition of a lenticular galaxy of Abell 1689 at $RA = +13^{h}11^{m}31^{s}.26$, $DEC = -1^{\circ}20'52''.44$. From left to right and top to bottom: map of the observed, modelled, and residual (observed—modelled) surface-brightness distribution of the galaxy; ellipse-averaged radial profile of surface-brightness, ellipticity, position angle, and cosine-harmonic amplitudes A_3 and A_4 , measured in the observed (black dots with error-bars) and modelled image (green solid line). The dashed blue and dotted red lines represent the intrinsic surface-brightness radial profiles of the bulge and disc, respectively.

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