VLBI Observations and NH₃ Mapping of the Star-forming Region NGC2264

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Abstract. We have measured the annual parallax of the water maser source associated with star forming region NGC2264 from observations with VLBI Exploration of Radio Astrometry (VERA). We detected masers at $V_{\text{LSR}} = 7.2 \text{ km s}^{-1}$. We discussed its driving sources of detected maser spots. One of the maser spots was associated with a centimeter continuum source observed with VLA. Neither optical, infrared nor X-ray sources is catalogued near the spot. The other maser spot is located close to an X-ray source, although there is no optical or infrared counterpart. The proper motion of the former spot was $(\mu_\alpha, \mu_\delta) = (23.91 \pm 4.29, -29.81 \pm 4.27)$ and the proper motion of latter spot was $(\mu_\alpha, \mu_\delta) = (-0.96 \pm 0.58, -6.05 \pm 3.06)$. For the latter spot, the peculiar motion is $\sim 150 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ and it has the high velocity and this may be a jet or an outflow from a young star. The observed parallax is $1.365 \pm 0.098 \text{ mas}$, corresponding to the distance of $738^{+57}_{-50} \text{ pc}$. This value is constant with the photometric distance of NGC2264 previously measured. The fitting result of the parallax is shown in figure 1. We also observed in NH₃ (1,1), (2,2), (3,3) lines of NGC2264 with the Kashima 34m telescope. We estimated the star formation efficiency (SFE) of NGC2264 from the dense molecular mass of NH₃ and the stellar mass calculated by Teixeira et al. (2012). The SFE is $9 – 12 \%$ which is consistent with previous results.

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Figure 1. The fitting of the parallax.

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