

A 30 kpc Spatially Extended Clumpy and Asymmetric Galactic Outflow at $z \sim 1.7$

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Abstract

We image the spatial extent of a cool galactic outflow with fine-structure Fe II* emission and resonant Mg II emission in a gravitationally lensed star-forming galaxy at z = 1.70347. The Fe II^{*} and Mg II (continuumsubtracted) emissions span out to radial distances of ~ 14.33 and 26.5 kpc, respectively, with maximum spatial extents of ~ 21 kpc for Fe II^{*} emission and ~ 30 kpc for Mg II emission. Mg II emission is patchy and covers a total area of $\sim 184 \text{ kpc}^2$, constraining the minimum area covered by the outflowing gas to be $\sim 13\%$ of the total area. Mg II emission is asymmetric and shows $\sim 21\%$ more extended emission along the decl. direction. We constrain the covering fractions of the Fe II* and Mg II emission as a function of radial distance and characterize them with a power-law model. The Mg II 2803 emission line shows two kinematically distinct emission components and may correspond to two distinct shells of outflowing gas with a velocity separation of $\Delta v \sim 400$ km s⁻¹. By using multiple images with different magnifications of the galaxy in the image plane, we trace the Fe II^{*} and Mg II emissions around three individual star-forming regions. In all cases, both the Fe II* and Mg II emissions are more spatially extended compared to the star-forming regions traced by the [O II] emission. These findings provide robust constraints on the spatial extent of the outflowing gas and, combined with outflow velocity and column density measurements, will give stringent constraints on mass-outflow rates of the galaxy.

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1. Introduction

Galactic outflows play an important role in galaxy evolution (Somerville & Davé 2015) as they transport baryons from the interstellar medium (ISM) of galaxies into their circumgalactic medium (CGM; Bordoloi et al. 2011; Anglés-Alcázar et al. 2017; Tumlinson et al. 2017; van de Voort 2017). This process depletes the gas supply needed to form the next generation of stars in starforming galaxies and, in extreme cases, can completely quench star formation in them (Hopkins et al. 2012, 2014; Geach et al. 2018; Man & Belli 2018). By carrying metals out from the ISM, these outflows can also enrich the intergalactic medium (IGM; Ford et al. 2016; Rahmati et al. 2016; Rupke 2018). The energy sources driving these outflows can be either star formation (SF) or active galactic nuclei (AGNs) in the galaxy (Veilleux et al. 2005). In this work, we will only focus on star-formation-driven outflows.

Theorists debate whether star-formation-driven galactic outflows are powered by energy from supernova explosions (Chevalier & Clegg 1985) or momentum from high-energy

photons and stellar winds, or cosmic rays (Murray et al. 2005). The outflows also seem to regulate the star formation and set the mass-metallicity relation (Tremonti et al. 2004). These outflows are also ubiquitous in star-forming galaxies and are complex and multiphased, by which we mean both ionized and neutral gas with significant dust (Veilleux et al. 2005; Weiner et al. 2009; Rubin et al. 2010; Martin et al. 2013; Bordoloi et al. 2014; Chisholm et al. 2015; Heckman et al. 2015; Bordoloi et al. 2017; Fiore et al. 2017; Cicone et al. 2018; Rupke 2018; Schneider et al.2018). These different phases of outflow can be detected at many wavelengths, ranging from the X-rays to millimeter and submillimeter (Rupke 2018).

While models and simulations require outflows to regulate the star formation within galaxies, constraining the impact of outflows requires estimating the total mass that outflows carry out of galaxies. The rate of mass loss is typically characterized by the mass-outflow rate (\dot{M}_{out}) , as

$$\dot{M}_{\rm out} = \Omega \ C_f \ \mu m_p \ N_H \ r \ v_{\rm out}, \tag{1}$$

where Ω is the opening angle of the outflowing gas, C_f is the covering fraction or the ratio of the stellar continuum that is covered by the outflow in the context of the "down-the-barrel" observations, μm_p is the mean molecular weight of hydrogen,

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 $N_{\rm H}$ is the column density of the outflowing gas, $v_{\rm out}$ is the velocity of the outflowing gas, and r is the distance or the spatial extent of the outflow from the galaxy. The parameters of Equation (1) can be observationally constrained in a robust manner from down-the-barrel spectroscopic studies of galactic outflows (Chisholm et al. 2016b). However, the spatial extent (r) of the outflow remains largely unconstrained in such works. Therefore, different strategies have been implemented to infer r(Rubin et al. 2014; Heckman et al. 2015; Chisholm et al. 2016a; Bordoloi et al. 2016; Chisholm et al. 2018). One way to make progress is to use spatially extended emission lines (H α , O II, Mg II, Fe II^{*}, etc.) that trace the densest phase of the gas in such outflows to measure the corresponding spatial extent of the outflowing gas (Shapley et al. 2003; Rubin et al. 2011; Zhang et al. 2016; Rupke et al. 2019; Burchett et al. 2021; Zabl et al. 2021).

This has been done for galaxies in the local universe and galaxies at moderate redshift ($z \approx 0.5$). Rubin et al. (2011) used Keck/LRIS to measure the spatial extent of the wind in the galaxy TKRS 4389 ($z \sim 0.47$). The measured extent of the Mg II emission doublet 2796, 2803 Å from the wind is \sim 7 kpc in one dimension along the slit. The limited slit size will lead to the loss of the signal from the Mg II emission from the regions of the galaxy that are not covered by the slit. One can increase the spatial coverage by performing integral field unit (IFU) spectroscopy, which provides a spectrum for each spaxel in the field of view.

Indeed, Burchett et al. (2021) targeted the same galaxy with KCWI/IFU observations and measured a \sim 31 kpc spatial extent of the Mg II emission. Rupke et al. (2019) studied another galaxy at a similar redshift $z \sim 0.46$ using KCWI. They measured the spatial extent of the wind traced by the [O II] doublet 3726, 3729 Å and detected emission up to \sim 100 kpc, which is the largest measured extent of a galactic outflow. Other Mg II IFU observations of extreme galaxies have shown that some galaxies do not have extended Mg II outflows; rather, strong Mg II emission can arise in H II regions within galaxies (Chisholm et al. 2020).

One of the complexities in tracing outflows using emission lines is the low-surface-brightness emission in individual galaxies. This makes it hard to detect the emission and localize it to the individual star-forming clumps that might be driving the outflowing gas. To overcome these issues, we can leverage the phenomenon of gravitational lensing and zoom-in on individual star-forming regions in a galaxy (Bordoloi et al. 2016). Gravitational lensing stretches sub-kiloparsec-scale regions within a galaxy to a few arcseconds on the sky, while conserving the surface brightness of each region. This is very suitable for studying individual star-forming regions within a galaxy, especially when the lensed galaxies have multiple images in the image plane. One of the conditions for this method to work is that the lens should have a robust mass model (Sharon et al. 2012, 2020). Augmented with deep IFU observations, we can obtain very high signal-to-noise-ratio (S/ N) observations with large spatial coverage and constrain the properties of galactic outflows at different sizes and scales in the source plane of the galaxies driving them. By using the lens model with the IFU observations, we can trace the 2D maps of the emission lines tracing the outflows to the source plane of the galaxy and obtain a measure for the outflow extent in physical distance.

In this work, we use VLT/MUSE observations to study the Mg II resonant backscattered emission and the Fe II* finestructure emission in the strong gravitationally lensed galaxy RCSGA 032727–132609 at $z \sim 1.703$ (Wuyts et al. 2010, 2014). The Mg II and Fe II* emission trace the cool phase of the outflows. We also study the nebular [O II] emission. We measure the spatial extent of the outflow using the Mg II emission. The detailed study of outflow gas kinematics and mass-outflow rates will be presented in a separate forthcoming publication (A. Shaban et al. 2022, in preparation).

This paper is organized as follows: Section 2 describes the MUSE observation; Section 3 describes the method of emission map construction in the image plane, the construction of these maps in the source plane, correction for seeing and lensing shear, and the method of constructing the surface brightness radial profiles; Section 4 describes the results of the analysis. In Section 5, we discuss these results, compare them with the literature, and state the final conclusions of our study. For the rest of this work, we do our calculations assuming a Λ cold dark matter (Λ CDM) cosmology with $H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$, $\Omega_m = 0.3$, and $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.7$.

2. Observations

The galaxy RCSGA 032727-132609 is a low-metallicity starforming galaxy at $z = 1.70347 \pm 0.00002$ (Section: 3) and is lensed by the galaxy cluster RCS2 032727–132623 at z = 0.564(Wuyts et al. 2010, 2014; González-López et al. 2017; Rigby et al. 2018). It was discovered in the Second Red Sequence Cluster Survey (Gilbank et al. 2011). The apparent shape of the galaxy consists of the main arc north of the cluster subtending 38" and a smaller counter arc south of the cluster subtending 7'' on the sky (see Figure 1; Wuyts et al. 2014). The main arc consists of three images of the galaxy (images 1, 2, and 3 are denoted by yellow rectangles and yellow numbers in Figure 1) and the counter arc is the fourth image. Image 1 and image 2 are highly magnified because they are situated near the critical lines in the image plane. Images 1 and 2 represent subregions of the galaxy in the image plane. These critical lines correspond to the regions, where there is theoretically infinite magnification. From the best-fit model for the lens from Sharon et al. (2012), the average magnification across the main arc is $25.1^{+3.2}_{-2.5}$, and the average magnification values of the individual images of the main arc are $10.4^{+1.1}_{-0.8}$, $20.6^{+2.6}_{-2.2}$, and $9.7^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$ for images 1, 2, and 3, respectively. The magnification of the counter arc is $3.0^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$.

This paper focuses on IFU observations of RCSGA 032727–13260 using the VLT/MUSE instrument with program ID: 098.A-0459(A) (Lopez et al. 2018). The observations were taken using the MUSE wide-field mode with a spatial sampling of 0."2 per pixel, a field of view of $1' \times 1'$, and a spectral sampling of 1.25 Å per pixel and a spectral resolution $(R = \frac{\lambda}{\Delta \lambda})$ of 1770 at 480 nm to 3590 at 930 nm (Bacon et al. 2010). The total exposure time of the observations is 3.1 hr. During the time of the observations, the maximum atmospheric seeing was 0."8 and the maximum airmass was 1.8. The sky subtraction was applied to the cube using the Zurich Atmospheric Purge (ZAP) algorithm (Soto et al. 2016). We refer the reader to Lopez et al. (2018) for a detailed description of the observations. We use Hubble Space Telescope WFC3/F390W, WFC3/F606W, and WFC3/F814W imaging of this field (PI: J. Rigby, Proposal ID: 12267) to construct a multiwavelength composite image of the main arc and the counter arc (Figure 1). The observed pivot



Figure 1. RCSGA 032727–132609 is a strong gravitationally lensed galaxy at $z \approx 1.703$. Left columns: MUSE white-light images. Right columns: HST F390W, F606W, and F814W composite images. Top rows: main arc of the galaxy. Three multiple images are marked with dashed yellow rectangles. The white letters and arrows show the multiply imaged distinct star-forming regions in the image plane. Bottom rows: the counter arc of the galaxy, which shows a less magnified and distorted image of the galaxy. The yellow circles in the left panels represent the maximum seeing during the MUSE observation.

wavelengths for these filters correspond to galaxy rest-frame wavelengths of 1450 Å, 2176 Å, and 2976 Å, respectively. We use these HST observations to accurately define the astrometry of the MUSE data cube. We identify three common bright stars in both the MUSE data cube and the HST images. Then, we match their central pixel coordinates to fix the astrometric offset in the MUSE data cube. These offsets correspond to a difference in R.A. $\Delta \alpha \approx 0$."693 and a difference in decl. $\Delta \delta \approx 3$."157, respectively.

Figure 1 shows the main arc in the top row and the counter arc in the bottom row, with the multiple images of the galaxy shown in yellow dashed rectangles for both the MUSE whitelight image (left panels) and the HST composite image (right panels). We follow the naming convention of the star-forming (SF) regions from Bordoloi et al. (2016). There are three SF regions named E, U, and B that are multiply imaged in the main arc. They are highlighted with white arrows in Figure 1. Image 2 is the most magnified image, image 1 is the second most magnified image, and both of them represent small individual star-forming regions in the source-plane galaxy. Image 3 and the counter arc represent images of the whole galaxy in the source-plane. The counter arc is the least magnified and least distorted image of the galaxy, and we use it as a representative of our measurements for the whole galaxy.

3. Methods

We aim to estimate the spatial extent of galactic outflows in this galaxy using the Mg II and Fe II^{*} emission lines and compare them to the nebular [O II] emission. For this purpose, we produce narrowband maps around the emission lines of interest. We use the lens model to reconstruct these emission maps in the source plane of the galaxy and measure the true physical extent of the outflows. We develop and use a Python package to do most of this analysis named musetools.¹³ These steps are described below.

3.1. 1D Spectral Extraction

To identify the emission lines of interest, we extract a lightweighted 1D spectrum of the main arc of the galaxy. We first select the voxels, which are the data points in the data cube, that cover the main arc. These voxels are summed over the 4600–9350 Å wavelength range to create a white-light image of the arc. Each voxel is weighted by this white-light image and summed in the spatial direction to create a light-weighted 1D spectrum of the arc and the counter arc. This method produces a high-S/N 1D spectrum of the galaxy and is shown in Figures 2 and 3. The emission lines of interest for this study are the Mg II emission doublet $\lambda\lambda 2796$, 2803; five Fe II^{*} finestructure emission lines, and the [O II] nebular emission doublet $\lambda\lambda$ 2470, 2471 (Morton 2003; Leitherer et al. 2011). These lines are summarized in Table 1. The Mg II and Fe II* emissions trace the outflows, and the [O II] emission traces the starforming regions in the galaxy. The Mg II emission doublet shows a P Cygni profile with the Mg II absorption lines. A selection of the specific wavelength intervals for Fe II* and Mg II emission is shown in Figures 2 and 3, respectively. The [O II] emission lines show up as a blended doublet highlighted in green in Figure 2. For the main arc, the average S/N per pixel around the Fe II^{*}, [O II], and Mg II lines are 94, 106, and 105, respectively. For the counter arc, the average S/N per pixel for the same lines are 26, 29, and 28, respectively.

¹³ https://github.com/rongmon/musetools



Figure 2. Mean 1D spectrum of the RCSGA 032727–132609 main arc centered on the Fe II^{*} and [O II] lines. The solid black line represents the flux and the solid cyan line represents the corresponding uncertainty of the flux. The shaded boxes show the wavelength windows used to create the Fe II^{*} emission (faint blue), [O II] emission (faint green), and local stellar continuum (faint red and faint orange) maps, respectively. The width of the stellar continuum windows is equal to the width of the Fe II^{*} and [O II] emission wavelength windows, respectively.



Figure 3. Mean 1D spectrum of the main arc containing the Mg II doublet. The solid black line shows the flux, and the solid cyan line shows the error in the flux. Left: the faint blue regions represent the selected wavelength window around the Mg II emission lines. The faint red regions represent the selected wavelength window for the corresponding continuum region. Right: the selection of the wavelength windows for the primary and secondary emission peaks of the Mg II 2803 emission line. The faint blue and faint red regions represent the emission and continuum windows for the primary peak, respectively. The faint green and faint yellow regions represent the emission and continuum windows for the secondary peak, respectively.

We measure the systemic redshift ($z = 1.70347 \pm 0.00002$) of the galaxy by fitting a double Gaussian to the interstellar medium (ISM) [O II] emission doublet $\lambda\lambda 2470.79$, 2471.09 (Leitherer et al. 2011).

3.2. Generating Emission Maps

To produce narrowband maps around an emission line of interest, we follow the following procedure.

- 1. We select a wavelength window $\Delta \lambda$ over which a narrowband image is to be created (see Table 2, Figure 2, and Figure 3).
- 2. We sum all the flux voxels in that wavelength window $\Delta\lambda$ and multiply by the wavelength width per pixel $\delta\lambda$ ($\delta\lambda = 1.25$ Å for MUSE) and divide by the angular area of each pixel (pixel area $\Delta xy = (0.2)^2$) to create a narrowband surface brightness image of the emission line

 Table 1

 Absorption and Emission Lines Used in This Work

Transition ^a	λ^{b}	Туре
Mg II	2796.351	Resonant abs/ems
	2803.528	Resonant abs/ems
Fe II*	2365.552	Fine-structure ems
	2396.355	Fine-structure ems
	2612.654	Fine-structure ems
	2626.451	Fine-structure ems
	2632.108	Fine-structure ems
[O II]	2470.97	Nebular Emission
	2471.09	Nebular Emission

Notes.

^a Atomic data from Morton (2003) and Leitherer et al. (2011).

^b Vacuum wavelength in angstroms.

Table 2 1σ Surface Brightness Background Level for Each Map in Units of 10^{-19} erg s $^{-1}$ cm $^{-2}$ arcsec $^{-2}$

Transition	$\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{C}^{\mathbf{a}}$	C ^b	E ^c	$\Delta\lambda \ [\text{Å}]^{d}$
[О II]	2.91	3.66	5.02	14
Fe II*	9.82	9.96	11.76	133
Full Mg II	11.09	6.73	11.4	39
Mg II 2803 Primary	3.7	7.6	9.29	10
Mg II 2803 Secondary	4.13	4.59	7.41	6

Notes.

а	Emission	1 continuum	
	EIIIISSIOII	+ continuum.	

^b Continuum.

^c Continuum-subtracted emission.

^d Width of each wavelength window in angstroms.

and the underlying continuum of the galaxy,

$$SB_{(i,j)} = \frac{\delta\lambda}{\Delta xy} \times \sum_{l=\lambda_{\min}}^{l=\lambda_{\max}} f_{(l,i,j)}$$
 (2)

where $SB_{(i,j)}$ is the surface brightness at the (i,j)th pixel measured in units of erg s⁻¹ cm⁻² arcsec⁻², $f_{(l,i,j)}$ is the flux density at the (l, i, j) voxel measured in units of erg s⁻¹ cm⁻² Å⁻¹.

- 3. We create a pure continuum emission map by specifying another wavelength interval redward of the emission lines (Table 2) that has a wavelength window of identical width ($\Delta\lambda$) to the one chosen for the previous step. These voxels are summed to create a pure continuum surface brightness map of the galaxy. As young stellar populations have very featureless continuum regions in the restframe 2000–3000 Å range, this method creates robust continuum maps (Leitherer et al. 1999).
- 4. We subtract the emission+continuum images with the pure continuum images to produce (continuum-sub-tracted) emission maps.

We define an average background surface brightness noise level for each map to quantify the statistical significance of individual emission features. We select an $8'' \times 8''$ square region northeast of the main arc where there are no galaxies or foreground stars. In each narrowband map, we compute the standard deviation in surface brightness within this square and use it as the average background surface brightness noise level. The 1σ background surface-brightness levels for the different narrowband maps are summarized in Table 2. We use these background surface brightness levels to quantify the statistically significant emission in the rest of the paper.

3.3. Source-plane Reconstruction

All 2D images from the data cube are in the image plane. To reconstruct the source-plane emission maps, we use the software package LENSTOOL¹⁴ (Kneib et al. 1996; Jullo et al. 2007; Jullo & Kneib 2009) using the lensing model from Sharon et al. (2012) and Lopez et al. (2018). Specifically, we used the direct reconstruction (cleanlens task) in LENSTOOL to convert the image-plane fluxes to the source plane with raytracing provided by our best-fit lensing mass model. We preserve the surface brightness to accurately reconstruct the surface brightness distribution of different images in the source plane. For the highly magnified images 1 and 2, we use the cleanlens task of LENSTOOL with a grid of oversampling parameters of ech = 10 on the image and sech = 8 on the source plane to obtain a source pixel size of 0."025 (0.21 kpc). For image 3 and the counter arc, we choose subsampling parameters of ech = 5 on the image and sech = 3 on the source plane to create the reconstructions. This resulted in a pixel size of 0.067 (0.56 kpc) in the source plane. We also propagate the uncertainties on the lens model to all our measured distances and areas in the source plane.

The maximum atmospheric seeing at the time of the observation was 0."8. This corresponds to 4 spatial pixels in the image plane based on the MUSE spatial resolution. We express it analytically as a 2D normalized Gaussian with an FWHM = 0."8 or 4 pixels in the image plane. To account for the effects of the seeing in the source plane, we inject a 2D Gaussian at the central regions of images 1, 2, and 3 and the counter arc in the image plane. We then reconstruct that 2D Gaussian in the source plane to account for atmospheric seeing in our observations. These reconstructions are shown as filled yellow ellipses in all source-plane images.

3.4. Lens Shear and Seeing Correction

As lensing shear is different along each axis, it shears the seeing differently in the source plane. So instead of a symmetric seeing disk in the image plane, one needs to account for an elliptical smear in the source plane. Both the effect of seeing and the effect of this shear need to be accounted for to ascertain the true spatial asymmetry of the Mg II emission. We perform a suite of simulations to account for this effect on the measured spatial extent in both α and δ directions. We inject a series of 2D Gaussians, each with FWHMs ranging from 4 to 50 pixels (pixel physical size = 0.56 kpc), in the source plane at the location of the counter arc. We then convolve them with the reconstructed seeing in the source plane at the location of the counter arc. We measure the observed x extent and y extent after the convolution. This allows us to constrain the impact of seeing in the source-plane of the counter arc, as any variation from the circular shape of the injected 2D Gaussian is due to seeing and lensing shear. This effect is very evident for a 2D Gaussian with a small FWHM (\sim 4 pixels) and is almost negligible at an FWHM of 50 pixels. Using these simulations, we can correct our measurements for any asymmetry owing to atmospheric

¹⁴ http://projects.lam.fr/projects/lenstool

seeing and lensing shear. We invert the relationship between the observed and true x and y extents of the simulated images and compute the true size of the structure for any observed x or y extents.

3.5. Radial Profiles

To quantify the spatial extent of the nebular emission and the cool galactic outflow, we need to constrain the [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II emission surface brightness radial profiles.

We first reconstruct all the image-plane emission maps in the source plane of the galaxy. For each image or star-forming region, we select the pixel with the maximum surface brightness as the center. We compute the mean surface brightness profile in the source plane as a function of physical distance with the center defined above. We use jackknife resampling from astropy (Astropy Collaboration et al. 2013, 2018) to quantify the uncertainty in the mean surface brightness of each radial bin. In short, in each radial bin, a pixel is randomly excluded and randomly replaced with one of the remaining pixels. We compute the mean surface brightness and repeat the step until each pixel has been excluded at least once. The 16th and 84th percentiles of the final mean surface brightness distribution give us the 1σ uncertainty of mean surface brightness in each radial bin.

We parameterize the emission surface brightness radial profiles with an exponential for the inner region of the profile plus a power law for the outer region as follows:

$$SB(r) = I_{0,1}e^{-\binom{r}{r_0}} + I_{0,2}\left(\frac{r}{r_b}\right)^{\beta},$$
(3)

where $I_{0,1}$ is the surface brightness intensity at r = 0, r_0 is a scale radius for the exponential, $I_{0,2}$ is the surface brightness intensity at $r = r_b$, r_b is the characteristic radius for the power law, and β is the index of the power law. Then, we convolve Equation (3) with the corresponding reconstructed seeing for each region in the source plane. We fit this convolved model using the Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) sampling using the Python package EMCEE¹⁵ (Foreman-Mackey et al. 2013). The best-fitting parameters using the model described here are summarized in Table B1.

3.6. Covering Fraction

Using the source-plane reconstructed emission maps of the counter arc, we constrain the observed spatial incidence of the [O II], Fe II^{*} and Mg II emitting regions around the galaxy. We quantify this as the emission covering fraction $C_f(r)$:

$$C_f(r) = \frac{N_{(>3\sigma)}(r)}{N_{\text{total}}(r)},\tag{4}$$

where $N_{(>3\sigma)}(\mathbf{r})$ is the number of pixels within a radial bin, which are detected at higher than 3σ significance relative to the background, and $N_{\text{total}}(\mathbf{r})$ is the total number of pixels in the same bin. We use the Wilson score interval¹⁶ to constrain the confidence intervals of $C_f(r)$. $C_f(r)$ effectively quantifies the fraction of the total area around the galaxy within a radial bin, where the continuum-subtracted emission is detected.

4. Results

In the following sections, we present the spatial extent of the Fe II^{*}, [O II], and Mg II emission detected around RCSGA 032727–132609 and quantify the spatial radial profiles and covering fractions as a function of galactocentric radius. We further measure the maximum spatial extent of emission as the maximum separation between significant emission spaxels along the *x*-axis or *y*-axis.

4.1. [O II] Nebular Emission

We first study the spatial extent of the nebular [O II] emission traced by the emission doublet at $\lambda\lambda 2470.79$, 2471.09. We create an emission map around the doublet as described in Section 3.

4.1.1. [O II] Emission in the Image Plane

The left panels of Figure 4 show the [O II] continuumsubtracted emission maps in the image plane of the main arc (top panel) and the counter arc (bottom panel), respectively. The white contours show the 3σ surface brightness significance level of the [O II] (continuum-subtracted) emission. [O II] emission features are comparable to stellar continuum light in spatial extent. This suggests that in this galaxy, [O II] emission is not spatially extended beyond the stellar continuum. This is in contrast to what is seen in Rupke et al. (2019), where the [O II] emission doublet $\lambda\lambda 3726$, 3729 could be seen extending out to 100 kpc from a low-z ($z \sim 0.5$) starbursting galaxy.

4.1.2. [O II] Emission in the Source Plane

We reconstruct the (continuum-subtracted) [O II] emission in the source plane to quantify the spatial extent. Figure 5, left panel, shows the source-plane reconstruction of the [O II] surface brightness for the counter arc up to the 3σ significance level. As the counter arc represents the entire galaxy in the image plane, the source-plane reconstructed image covers the full spatial extent of the galaxy. We also plot the 3σ surface brightness contours over the source-plane reconstruction of the HST image (bottom panel). The [O II] emission contours follow the stellar light in the HST emission very closely. This suggests that the [O II] nebular emission regions are the same regions emitting light in the HST reconstruction.

We measure the maximum spatial extent of [O II] emission along the x- and y-axes and the surface brightness radial profile in the counter arc. Figure 6, left column, shows these x and y extents. We see that these distances extend beyond the seeing in the source plane. The measured observed values are summarized in Table 3. These distances correspond to $\Delta \alpha$ or $\Delta x = 13.5^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ kpc and $\Delta \delta$ or $\Delta y = 9.2^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ kpc after lens shear+seeing correction.

We also characterize the azimuthally averaged surface brightness as a mean 1D radial emission profile in the left panel of Figure 7 as described in Section 3.5. We define the center of the radial profile as the brightest pixel of the emission map at the counter arc in the source plane. In each radial bin, we compute the mean surface brightness of all pixels above the 3σ significance level, shown as filled squares. If no pixels in that bin are above the 3σ significance level, we report the 2σ surface brightness upper limit as a nondetection (open squares). Figure 7, left panel, shows that the [O II] surface brightness radial profile extends out to $\approx 15.0^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ kpc.

¹⁵ https://emcee.readthedocs.io/

¹⁶ https://github.com/rongmon/rbcodes/



Figure 4. Surface brightness maps in the image plane for the continuum-subtracted [O II] emission (Left), Fe II^{*} emission (Middle), and Mg II emission (right) around the main arc (top row) and the counter arc (bottom row), respectively. The white contours correspond to 3σ surface brightness significance levels (Table 2). The yellow dashed rectangles in the top row correspond to the three images of the main arc from Figure 1 from left to right, respectively. The yellow circles in the top right of each subplot represent the maximum seeing during observation.

As gravitational lensing allows us to zoom in on smaller regions around the highly magnified image of the main arc (Figure 1), we can probe and test if the outflow emission is spatially extended around individual star-forming regions within the galaxy. We use images 1, 2, and 3 (Figure 1) to trace the [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II emission similar to what is done for the counter arc. We individually reconstruct the [O II] emission maps around three multiply lensed regions of the main arc (see Figure 1). Figure 8, top row, shows the sourceplane reconstructed [O II] emission maps around these regions. While Figure 8 spatially resolves many of the bright starforming regions, regions E and B are blended in image 1 (left column). Image 2 has the highest spatial resolution in the source plane as it is highly magnified compared to the other images, such that regions U, E, and B are spatially resolved (middle column). From these images, we measure the radial profiles of nebular emission for the individual regions U, E, and B, in addition to the full scale of the galaxy from the more distorted image 3. Figure 9 shows the [O II] radial profiles for these regions. The [O II] emission maximum radial extents are $\approx 20.5^{+1.0}_{-1.0}$ kpc in image 3, $5.7^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ kpc in region U, $8^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ kpc in region E, and $6.7^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$ kpc in region B. However, image 3 is the most distorted and has light contamination from two foreground cluster galaxies (see Figure 1 in Wuyts et al. 2014). Therefore, we take the radial distances measured from the counter arc as a more reliable estimate of the radial extent of the whole galaxy and include image 3 for completeness.

The [O II] emission surface brightness above 3σ significance in the counter-arc image covers an area of 115^{+4}_{-10} kpc² in the source plane of the galaxy. We compute this area by computing the total area of all pixels exhibiting >3 σ significant [O II] emission. We sample 100 realizations of the lens model to quantify the uncertainties in the measured area. The total observed area of the entire counter arc in Figure 5 that covers a radial distance of 30 kpc is 1387^{+43}_{-76} kpc². This means that the fraction of the total area covered by the [O II] emission, which traces the nebular regions in the galaxy, is $8.29^{+0.39}_{-0.85}\%$.

4.2. Fe II* Emission

We further study the spatial extent of the prominent Fe II^{*} fluorescent or nonresonant emission (see Figure 2). Fe II^{*} fluorescent emission in outflowing gas arises owing to the deexcitation of the resonant Fe II absorption lines. The photons are reemitted at different wavelengths from those of the absorption lines. This happens because the electrons move from the excited state to one of the ground-state levels close to the original ground-state level but with slightly different energy due to the fine-structure splitting of the ground state (Prochaska et al. 2011). To maximize the S/N, we construct one combined Fe II^{*} emission map by combining five narrow emission regions traced by Fe II^{*} emission lines at 2365, 2396, 2612, 2626, and 2632 Å as described in Section 3.2.

4.2.1. Fe II* Emission in the Image Plane

We see a statistically significant ($\geq 3\sigma$) Fe II* (continuumsubtracted) emission in the image plane for both the main arc and the counter arc in the upper and lower panels of the middle column of Figure 4, respectively. There is significant Fe II* emission in the image plane in both cases. As Fe II* finestructure emission lines may trace the densest regions of the outflowing gas (Prochaska et al. 2011), this result suggests that the densest part of the outflowing gas may reside relatively close to the star-forming regions of this galaxy.

4.2.2. Fe II* Emission in the Source Plane

We reconstruct the continuum-subtracted Fe II^{*} emission maps in the source plane as described in Section 3.3. Figure 5, middle panel, shows the source-plane reconstruction of the statistically significant ($\geq 3\sigma$) Fe II^{*} emission map around the



Figure 5. Source-plane reconstructions of the [O II] emission, Fe II^{*} emission, and the Mg II emission doublet surface brightness map around the counter arc. Top row: the reconstructions of the MUSE surface brightness maps for the emission lines in the source plane. The white contours represent the 3σ significance levels (see Table: 2). The Δx and Δy represent the distance along the R.A. α direction and decl. δ direction, respectively. The yellow ellipses in the top panels represent the maximum seeing in the source plane for the counter arc. Bottom row: source-plane reconstruction of the HST image for the counter arc. We plot the 3σ contours from the top row over these HST reconstructions.

counter arc. The 3σ emission contours (bottom panel) overlaid on the source-plane reconstructed HST image are significantly more extended than the starlight being traced by the HST image. Figure 6 (middle panels) shows the observed maximum spatial extent along the *x*-axis and *y*-axis of Fe II^{*} emission. After correcting for the lensing shear+seeing, the maximum extent along the *x*-axis is $21.0^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$ kpc, and the maximum extent along the *x*-axis is $13.7^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ kpc, respectively. These measurements are summarized in Table 3. Furthermore, Fe II^{*} emission is more spatially extended than the nebular [O II] emission. The Fe II^{*} emission radial profile reaches an observed radial distance of $14.33^{+0.27}_{-0.25}$ kpc from the center of the galaxy in the counter arc. This is shown in the middle panel of Figure 7.

The middle row of Figure 8 shows the source-plane reconstructions of statistically significant ($\geq 3\sigma$) Fe II^{*} emission in images 1, 2, and 3, respectively. The Fe II^{*} emission in these images is more spatially extended compared to the corresponding [O II] emission (top row). This further shows that the Fe II^{*} emission tracing the cool outflow is extended beyond starforming regions in all three images in the source plane. The purple points in Figure 9 show the Fe II^{*} surface brightness radial

profiles around the three star-forming regions E, U, and B. The Fe II* emission profile is more spatially extended relative to the nebular [O II] emission in all regions. This is further evidence that the outflow traced by the Fe II* emission is more spatially extended than the star-forming regions in the galaxy. The Fe II* radial profiles extend out to $26.5^{+1.5}_{-1.4}$ kpc in image 3, $9^{+0.4}_{-0.2}$ kpc in region U, $9.2^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ kpc in region E, and $10^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$ kpc in region B.

We also measure the area covered by the Fe II^{*} emission above 3σ significance in the counter-arc image as 298^{+9}_{-14} kpc². This corresponds to $21.49^{+0.93}_{-1.55}\%$ of the total area of the counter-arc stamp in the source plane. This area is almost ~2.6 times the area covered by [O II] emission.

4.3. Mg II Emission

We investigate the spatial extent of the MgII emission doublet around this galaxy. We construct the stellar continuum and MgII emission+continuum surface brightness maps to produce the (continuum-subtracted) MgII emission maps as described in Section 3.2.



Figure 6. Source-plane surface brightness spatial extents of the [O II] emission (left), Fe II* emission (middle), and the Mg II full emission (right) in the counter arc. The top row and bottom row represent the spatial extent of the surface brightness along the *x* (R.A. α) and *y* directions (decl. δ), respectively. The open circles with arrows represent the 2σ upper limit for nondetections. All the surface brightness data points are normalized by dividing by the value of the pixel with maximum surface brightness. The yellow dashed lines in the top and bottom rows represent the normalized seeing profile extents along the *x* and *y* directions, respectively.



Figure 7. Surface brightness radial profiles for the [O II] emission (left), Fe II^{*} emission (middle), and Mg II emission (right). The radial profiles are measured from the center of the galaxy. The filled black squares represent radial bins with significance greater than 3σ . The open black squares represent the 2σ upper limits in radial bins with nondetections. The dashed gold line represents the radial profile for the seeing for the counter-arc image in the source plane.

 Table 3

 Maximum Spatial Extent of the [O II], Fe II*, and Mg II Emission in the Source Plane Using the Counter Arc

Transition/Component	Observed Δx (kpc)	Observed Δy (kpc)	Corrected $\Delta x (\text{kpc})^{\text{a}}$	Corrected $\Delta y (\text{kpc})^a$
[O II] Emission	$24.1_{-0.5}^{+0.5}$	$17.3_{-0.3}^{+0.4}$	$13.5_{-0.2}^{+0.3}$	$9.2^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$
Fe II* Emission	$26.1_{-0.5}^{+0.5}$	$21.6_{-0.3}^{+0.4}$	$21.0\substack{+0.4\\-0.4}$	$13.7_{-0.3}^{+0.4}$
Full Mg II Emission	$30.5_{-0.6}^{+0.6}$	$38.9^{+0.8}_{-0.6}$	$24.8_{-0.5}^{+0.5}$	$30.0_{-0.5}^{+0.7}$
Primary Mg II 2803 Å Component	$8.9^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$17.0^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	$6.4^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$8.9^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$
Secondary Mg II 2803 Å Component	$13.7^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$16.1^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	$10.5_{-0.2}^{+0.2}$	$8.0\substack{+0.2\\-0.2}$

Note.

^a After seeing and lensing shear correction (see Section 4.3.2).

4.3.1. Mg II Emission in the Image Plane

To maximize the S/N, we first create the integrated Mg II emission+continuum maps by summing both the 2796 Å and 2803 Å emission doublets together (see Figure 3). We refer to them as the full Mg II emission maps. Figure 4 (right panels)

shows the image-plane map of the continuum-subtracted Mg II emission for the main arc (top panel) and the counter arc (bottom panel), respectively. The white contours represent the 3σ significance level Mg II surface brightness. In the main arc (top-right panel), Mg II emission in the image plane is mostly



Figure 8. Source-plane reconstruction of the [O II] emission (top row), the Fe II^{*} emission (middle row), and the Mg II emission doublet $\lambda\lambda 2796$, 2803 emission (bottom row) surface brightness maps in images 1 (left column), 2 (middle column), and 3 (right column), respectively. The white contours represent the 3σ significance levels. We label the four individual star-forming regions as shown in Figure 1. The reconstructed maximum seeing is shown as a filled yellow region in the left corner of each subplot.

extended around image 3 and region U and has the least spatial extent around region B. Mg II emission is also spatially extended around the less magnified counter arc. In all cases, we detect a significant (continuum-subtracted) Mg II emission.

The Mg II 2803 Å emission spectrum shows a unique feature of two kinematically distinct emission components (Figure 3). Both of these components are redshifted relative to the systemic redshift of the host galaxy. The stronger emission peak is observed at a mean velocity of 100 km s^{-1} , and we classify it as the primary peak. The center of the weaker emission component is redshifted by 500 km s^{-1} from the systemic redshift of the galaxy, and we call it the secondary peak (marked with the green band in Figure 3, right panel). The average S/N per pixel for this component is 78 and 19 in the light-weighted spectra of the main

arc and the counter arc, respectively. It is very rare to find two distinct Mg II emission components separated by $\Delta v \approx 400 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, and this suggests that they may arise from two distinct past outflow events. We investigate if these unique features are cospatial or originate in different parts of the galaxy. We construct two narrowband Mg II emission maps around the primary and the secondary peaks as described in Section 3.2.

Figure 10 shows the image-plane surface brightness maps of the Mg II 2803 Å primary (left panel) and secondary (right panel) emission, constructed around the counter arc. The white contours represent the 3σ significance level for both lines. The morphological difference between the two emission maps suggests that there are two outflowing components with two different velocities. Both of these components show spatially extended Mg II emission.



Figure 9. Mean surface brightness radial profiles for the [O II] (red diamonds), Fe II^{*} (purple circles), and Mg II emission (black squares) in the source plane for image 3 (first panel), the star-forming regions U (second panel), E (third panel), and B (fourth panel). All the data points are representatives of radial bins with surface brightness pixels greater than 3σ . The dashed lines represent the fitted models from Section 3.5. The best-fit parameters are summarized in Table B1 in Appendix B. The Fe II^{*} and Mg II are bright and more extended than the [O II] nebular emission.



Figure 10. Mg II continuum-subtracted emission surface brightness maps for the Mg II 2803 primary (left) and secondary (right) components, respectively. The white contours represent the 3σ surface brightness limits. The yellow circles in the top left of each subplot represent the maximum seeing during observation. Both the primary and secondary Mg II emission peaks are spatially extended. The primary component and the secondary component are redshifted and have mean velocities of 100 km s⁻¹ and 500 km s⁻¹ with respect to the galaxy redshift, respectively.

4.3.2. Mg II Emission In the Source Plane

To quantify the spatial extent of the Mg II emission, we transform the narrowband images into the source plane of the galaxy. We first reconstruct the Mg II (continuum-subtracted) emission maps around the counter arc, as described in Section 3.3. Figure 5, top-right panel, shows the reconstructed Mg II emission map in the galaxy's source plane for the counter arc. The white contours represent statistically significant ($\geq 3\sigma$) surface brightness emission. These 3σ contours are shown in the source-plane reconstructed HST image of the counter arc (Figure 5, bottom-right panel). The Mg II emission has a different morphology compared to the shape of the galaxy in this HST image. Furthermore, Figure 5 shows that the Mg II emission is more extended compared to the nebular [O II] emission (top-left panel).

The Mg II emission is clearly asymmetric and shows smallscale structure. Individual bright Mg II emission knots are detected between 10 and 20 kpc from the center of the galaxy at different incidences. Further, the total observed projected area covered by outflowing gas is 184^{+5}_{-10} kpc². This area is ~1.6 times the area covered by the [O II] emission in the source plane. This exercise clearly demonstrates the clumpy nature of the outflow. We estimate that $13.27^{+0.55}_{-1.02}\%$ of the area of the field of view in Figure 5 shows statistically significant Mg II emission.

The Mg II emission is clearly spatially asymmetric in Figure 5. The observed surface brightness profile is more extended along the decl. direction $(\Delta \delta \text{ or } \Delta y = 38.9^{+0.8}_{-0.6} \text{ kpc})$ than along the R.A. direction $(\Delta \alpha \text{ or } \Delta x = 30.5^{+0.6}_{-0.6} \text{ kpc})$, exhibiting $\sim 27.6^{+0.8}_{-0.7}\%$ more extent along the *y* direction than along the *x* direction at 3σ significance. The *x* (upper panel) and *y* (lower panel) extents of the Mg II surface brightness profiles of the counter arc are shown in the right column of Figure 6.

To estimate the true spatial extent, we correct for seeing and lensing shear effects as described in Section 3.4 and quantify the maximum spatial extent of Mg II emission in this galaxy as $\Delta \delta$ or $\Delta y = 30.0^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ kpc and $\Delta \alpha$ or $\Delta x = 24.8^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$ kpc, respectively. Even after correcting for atmospheric seeing and lensing shear, the Mg II emission is spatially more extended along the decl. direction by $20.9^{+0.7}_{-0.6}\%$ (see Table 3).

The Mg II emission has some extended shell-like structure at ~ -5 and 10 kpc in the Δx direction (Figure 5, top-right panel).

These shells could be associated with a spiral arm of the galaxy itself. To test this hypothesis, we extract three light-weighted spectra: one for the left shell, one for the right shell, and one for the middle core. For these three regions, we compute the systemic redshift by using the [O II] emission line and compute the kinematics of the Mg II emission components. The detailed models will be described in a future paper (A. Shaban et al. 2022, in preparation) but the resultant Mg II emission velocities are almost identical within error bars for all three regions, whereas the systemic redshifts are varying. This rules out the possibility that these structures are associated with the spiral arms of the galaxy and are indeed gas structures only traced by Mg II emission. This is also seen qualitatively in the bottomright panel of Figure 5. The source-plane reconstructed HST image traces the stars of the galaxy, which is spatially offset from the location of the Mg II emitting regions.

Appendix A shows the source-plane reconstruction of the counter arc for the Mg II 2803 primary and Mg II 2803 secondary emission component's surface brightness maps. The Mg II 2803 primary and secondary components are kinematically separated by $\Delta v \approx 400 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, and the secondary component is detected in almost all regions of the galaxy except in region U. In the source plane, we detect a significant Mg II emission (>3 σ) for both the primary and secondary Mg II 2803 Å emission peaks. The two components have similar projected spatial extent but are asymmetric. After correcting for seeing and lensing shear, the Mg II 2803 Å primary emission component is more spatially extended along the decl. direction by ≈ 2.5 kpc. The Mg II 2803 A secondary emission component profile is more extended along the R.A. direction by ≈ 2.5 kpc, after seeing+shear correction. The observed Mg II emission surface brightness profiles are presented in Appendix A, and the distance measurements are summarized in Table 3.

As these two components are kinematically distinct, they may exist in different physical regions along the line of sight. This can be interpreted as the bulk of the two Mg II emitting components being at different velocities. There may be some kinematic overlap between the two components, as they appear partially blended in the 1D spectrum (Figure 3). Their kinematic offset combined with the different morphology of the two emission lines suggests that they may have different origins (e.g., different starbursts, or originating from different star-forming regions), although they appear approximately cospatial in projection. Further analysis of the absorption lines will provide more insight into the line-of-sight geometry of the outflow.

4.3.3. Mg II Emission Radial Profiles

We characterize the continuum-subtracted mean surface brightness profile as a mean 1D Mg II emission profile in Figure 7, right panel. We define the center of the radial profile as the brightest pixel of the counter-arc image. In each radial bin, we compute the mean surface brightness of all pixels above the 3σ background level, shown as filled squares. If no pixels in that bin are above the 3σ background level, we report the 2σ background surface brightness level for nondetection (open squares). patchy Mg II emission is detected out to an observed radial distance of $26.5^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ kpc. For comparison, the dashed golden line shows the maximum seeing as present in the reconstructed source plane. Clearly, Mg II emission is spatially extended. Figure 8, bottom row, shows the reconstructed Mg II emission maps in the source plane for the three images. From all the source-plane reconstructed images, the Mg II emission contours extend beyond the [O II] emission contours at the 3σ significance level. The Mg II emission (Figure 8, bottom panels) is significantly extended spatially, with emission arising both in the bright star-forming clusters (e.g., E, B, and U) as well as a diffuse spatially extended component.

We extract the mean surface brightness radial profiles for the Mg II emission as described in 3.5. Figure 9 shows these radial profiles for these regions as solid black points. Figure 9 shows that the Mg II emission extends to $\approx 9.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ kpc, $9.0^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ kpc, and $7.4^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$ kpc in regions E, U, and B, respectively, as measured from the brightest central pixel of each individual region. The Mg II emission in image 3 extends radially up to $24.5^{+1.6}_{-1.6}$ kpc. We find that the 3σ maximum radial extents of the Mg II emission are ~ 25 kpc for both image 3 and the counter arc. Image 3 and the counter arc provide the extent of the Mg II emission in the galaxy as a whole. However, image 3 is much more magnified and distorted compared to the counter arc. Furthermore, image 3 has some contribution from two foreground cluster galaxies (see Figure 1 in Wuyts et al. 2014). Therefore, the counter arc provides a more reliable measure for the radial extent of the outflow traced by the Mg II emission.

4.4. Covering Fraction

The covering fraction in this work represents the fraction of area around the galaxy that is covered by the continuumsubtracted emission (in radial bins), traced by the [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II above the 3σ limit (see Section 3.6 for details). We choose the brightest pixel of the reconstructed counter-arc image as the center (Figure 5, top row). We compute the fraction of pixels in each radial bin that are above the 3σ limit, out to 30 kpc. We select this distance limit to avoid any contributions from other bright foreground objects near the counter arc. The covering fraction can be interpreted as a measure of the porosity or patchiness of the outflowing gas (Martin & Bouché 2009; Chisholm et al. 2016b, 2018). In this work, we use a different approach to measure $C_f(r)$. We measure the total area (pixels) exhibiting statistically significant emission to calculate $C_{f}(r)$. We calculate $C_{f}(r)$ in the sourceplane reconstructed counter arc only because it represents the full galaxy. Figure 11 shows the measured covering fraction as a function of radial distance for the continuum-subtracted [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II emission, respectively. The [O II] C_f measurements (red diamonds), are almost unity within 2 kpc and then fall off sharply, reaching zero for all bins beyond 10 kpc.

Mg II C_f is nearly unity in the inner 3 kpc, which means that the outflowing gas is ubiquitous and totally covers the area within these inner radii. As we go outward from 3 to 10 kpc, the covering fraction drops to ~20%. From 10 to 30 kpc, it gradually decreases and oscillates between 0% and 10%. These fluctuations indicate that the outflowing gas is not uniformly distributed and is patchy. There are regions, where larger concentrations of outflowing gas exist even at large radial distances, and there are regions where little outflowing gas is detected. This reaffirms the canonical picture of a large-scale patchy galactic outflow that is being traced by the Mg II emitting gas.



Figure 11. Gas covering fraction $C_f(r)$ as a function of distance for Mg II emission (black squares), Fe II^{*} emission (purple circles), and [O II] emission (red diamonds), respectively. The detection limit is 3σ for the surface brightness of a pixel to be counted as a detection. A value of $C_f(r) = 1$ means the radial bin area is totally covered by emission, and a value of $C_f(r) = 0$ means that there is no emission covering any area of that radial bin.

The Fe II^{*} emission maps have much higher S/N compared to the Mg II ones, as they are constructed by adding five distinct emission lines. The Fe II^{*} C_f is unity within the first 5 kpc (purple circles), after which it falls off radially and almost reaches zero at 15 kpc. In all inner radial bins (<15 kpc), Fe II^{*} exhibits higher C_f than Mg II; however, only Mg II emission exhibit nonzero C_f at higher radii.

Both the Fe II* and Mg II C_f measurements are higher than that of [O II] emission. At each radial bin, there are more pixels covered by significant Fe II* and Mg II emission than [O II] nebular emission. This provides further evidence that the galactic outflow traced by the Fe II* and Mg II emission is more spatially extended compared to the stellar nebular emission. We characterize the [O II], Fe II*, and Mg II emission coveringfraction radial profiles using a power law:

$$C_f(r) = C_{f,0} \left(\frac{r}{1 \,\mathrm{kpc}}\right)^{\gamma},\tag{5}$$

where $C_{f,0}$ is the covering fraction at the center of the galaxy, and γ is the power law index. We convolve this power law with the seeing of the counter arc in the source plane.

We obtain the best-fit model for [O II] with $\gamma = -1.63^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$, Mg II with $\gamma = -1.25^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$, and Fe II* with $\gamma = -1.16^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$. The best-fit models for C_f of the three emission transitions are shown in Figure B1 in Appendix B. We constrain the total area covered by the emission tracing the outflow and the total area enclosed within 30 kpc. This 30 kpc radial distance limit marks the boundary of the observed area of the counter arc in the source plane in Figure 5. By dividing the outflow area A_{out} by the total area A_{tot} of the counter-arc stamp, we can get an average value for the covering fraction. The measured value for the average covering fraction is $\langle C_f \rangle = \frac{A_{\text{out}}}{A_{\text{tot}}} = 0.0829^{+0.004}_{-0.009}$, $0.21^{+0.01}_{-0.00}$, and $0.13^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$ for [O II], Fe II*, and Mg II, respectively.

The covering fraction beyond the stellar continuum is an indicator of the morphology and patchiness of the outflowing gas. In other words, it quantifies the fraction of the projected area around a galaxy where outflowing gas can be detected (Chisholm et al. 2016b). Several studies quantified the gas-covering fraction using a partial covering of blueshifted absorption lines, with some assumptions about the relation between the velocity and radius (e.g., Chisholm et al. 2016b, 2018. Typically, these works find a decreasing C_f with distance characterized by a power law. Our measurement of the Mg II C_f power law is comparable to these

studies, even though a completely different approach is being used here. Additional analysis of these two methods is needed to compare if the Mg II emission traced gas-covering fraction and the absorption-traced line-of-sight covering fraction are indeed probing the same gas-covering fraction. This will be done in RCSGA 032727–132609 as part of a future paper (A. Shaban et al. 2022, in preparation). The covering fraction is one of the important quantities in the calculation of the mass-outflow rate \dot{M}_{out} . Most studies assume C_f to be constant. Our measurements conclusively show that the outflow gas-covering fraction changes as we move outward from the central region of the galaxy. These constraints will enable robust mass-outflow rates for this system.

5. Discussion and Conclusions

In this paper, we present observations of [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II emission lines in RCSGA 032727–132609, a z = 1.7034 galaxy, lensed by a foreground galaxy cluster at $z \approx 0.56$. Lensing distorts light coming from the background "source" galaxy, which results in multiple images of the source galaxy RCSGA 032727–132609 at the plane of the cluster, referred to as the "image plane." Some of these images are highly magnified and represent small star-forming regions within the galaxy (e.g., images 1 and 2 in Figure 1). Other images are less magnified and represent the full extent of the galaxy (e.g., image 3 and the counter arc in Figure 1). With VLT/MUSE observations of these different images, we study the spatial extent of the emission lines tracing galactic outflows and provide strong constraints on the spatial extent of the outflowing gas. Our main results are:

- 1. We detect and compare the [O II] nebular emission with the stellar continuum around the galaxy. The [O II] nebular emission is not spatially extended compared to the stellar continuum (Figures 4 and 5). The [O II] emission shows maximum spatial extent along the *x* and *y* directions after correcting for shear lensing+seeing of $13.5^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ kpc, and $9.2^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ kpc, respectively (Figure 6 and Table 3). The observed radial profile is measured up to $15.0^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ kpc (Figure 7). Furthermore, the observed radial profiles for region U, region E, and region B reach radial distances of $\approx 5.7^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ kpc, $8^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ kpc, and $6.7^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$ kpc, respectively. (Figures 8, and 9).
- 2. We detect several Fe II* fine-structure emission lines. Compared to the stellar continuum, the Fe II* finestructure emission is spatially extended (Figures 4 and 5). The measured maximum x and y extents after correcting for shear lensing+seeing in the source plane are $21.0^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$ kpc, and $13.7^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$ kpc, respectively (Figure 6 and Table 3). The observed radial profile is extended up to a distance of $14.33^{+0.25}_{-0.25}$ kpc. In addition, the observed radial profiles for region U, region E, and region B reach maximum radial extents of $\approx 9^{+0.4}_{-0.2}$ kpc, $9.2^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ kpc, and $10^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$ kpc, respectively (Figures 8 and 9).
- 3. The Mg II resonant emission lines $\lambda\lambda 2796$, 2803 are spatially extended in all regions in the image plane and the source plane. From the surface brightness radial profiles, we detect a patchy Mg II emission in the whole galaxy out to an average observed radial distance of $26.5^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ kpc (with a maximum extent of $\Delta\delta = 30.0^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ kpc along the R.A. direction after correcting for the seeing and lensing shear) (Figures 5, 6, and 7).

- 4. After correcting for seeing and lensing shear, the Mg II emission profile is asymmetric and $20.9^{+0.7}_{-0.6}\%$ more extended along the decl. compared to the R.A. ($\Delta\delta$ or $\Delta y = 30.0^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ kpc, and $\Delta\alpha$ or $\Delta x = 24.8^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$ kpc; Figures 5, 6, and Table 3).
- 5. We detect two distinct redshifted emission peaks at different velocities $(\Delta v \approx 400 \text{ km s}^{-1})$ for the Mg II 2803 Å emission line. The Mg II emission corresponding to these peaks is also spatially extended, similar to the full Mg II emission profile. The primary emission component is more extended along the decl. direction by $\approx 2.5 \text{ kpc}$ after seeing+lensing shear correction. However, the secondary component shows more extent along the R.A. direction by $\approx 2.5 \text{ kpc}$ after correcting for the seeing+lensing shear. (Figure 10 and Table 3). This is evidence of the complex, inhomogeneous, and asymmetric nature of the geometry of galactic outflows.
- 6. The kinematic offset $(\Delta v \approx 400 \text{ km s}^{-1})$ and different morphology of the two Mg II 2803 Å emission components suggest that these two emission peaks may be tracing two different parts of the outflowing gas. The outflowing gas may have different origins (e.g., different discrete starbursts, or originating from different starforming regions), although they appear approximately cospatial in projection (Figures A1 and A2).
- 7. We detect Mg II emission in different star-forming regions of the galaxy. Image 3 (tracing almost the whole galaxy) shows an observed radial extent of $24.5^{+1.6}_{-1.6}$ kpc. The observed radial extent of the Mg II emission is $9.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$ kpc, $9.0^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ kpc, and $7.4^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$ kpc at the 3σ significance for regions E, U, and B, respectively (Figures 8 and 9). This shows that individual star-forming regions either started the outflows at different times, or they ejected the outflows at different velocities.
- 8. The covering fraction $C_f(r)$ for Fe II^{*} emission is higher than the C_f for [O II] at all radial bins. In addition, C_f approaches zero at 10 kpc for [O II] and 15 kpc for Fe II^{*}.
- 9. We quantify the spatial covering fraction of Mg II emission, $C_f(r)$, the fraction of area on the sky (pixels) covered by significant Mg II emission (>3 σ). We find that $C_f(r)$ is unity at r < 3 kpc but rapidly falls off to ~10% at 20 kpc, with an excess of $C_f \sim 0.5$ at 9 kpc. This suggests a nonuniform and clumpy morphology of the outflowing gas. We characterize $C_f(r)$ with a power law convolved with the seeing with index $\gamma = -1.25^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$. We quantify that the average Mg II emission $\langle C_f \rangle$ is $0.13^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$ deduced from the area of the outflow, within r = 30 kpc (Figure 11).

For this galaxy, the fine-structure Fe II^{*} emission shows spatial radial extent less than the spatial radial extent of the resonant Mg II emission in the counter arc. The nature of the spatial distribution of the fine-structure Fe II^{*} emission in this galaxy suggests that Fe II^{*} emission may not trace the optically thin parts of the galactic outflows. This is likely because Fe II^{*} is arising from fluorescence powered by resonant Fe II absorption (Prochaska et al. 2011). Thus, the bulk of the Fe II^{*} emission comes from the densest part of the outflow at the core region of the galaxy and is not spatially scattered at large distances compared to Mg II emission. Using a galaxy sample from the MUSE Hubble Ultra Deep Field Survey, Finley et al. (2017a) reported that low-mass galaxies with $<10^9 M_{\odot}$ exhibit pure Mg II emission that may be tracing the star-forming H II regions (see also Chisholm et al. 2020), whereas high-mass galaxies (>10¹⁰ M_{\odot}) only exhibit Fe II* fluorescent emission without any Mg II emission, and intermediate-mass galaxies exhibit both Fe II* and P Cygni Mg II emission. RCSGA 032727–132609 is a star-forming galaxy with $M_* = 6.3 \pm 0.7 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$ (log₁₀(M_*/M_{\odot}) = 9.80 ± 0.05) (Wuyts et al. 2012). We detect both Fe II* and Mg II emission lines in our spectra. This is consistent with the intermediate-mass regime (9 < log₁₀(M_*/M_{\odot}) < 10) case from Finley et al. (2017a). Finley et al. (2017b) also detected fluorescent Fe II* emission (and no Mg II emission) in a star-forming galaxy at z = 1.29, which is 70% more extended than its stellar continuum out to ~4 kpc. In our case, the Fe II* and Mg II emission are spatially extended compared to the [O II] nebular emission.

Our main finding shows that the Mg II emission halo around RCSGA 032727–132609 has a size of \sim 30 kpc. Although this emission is spatially extended for multiple different regions, the Mg II surface brightness profiles measured around individual star-forming regions of the galaxy are not uniform (Section 4.3.2). These variations are significant, as they suggest that the outflowing gas traced by the Mg II emission is powered by the local star-forming regions in the host galaxy. Figure 5 shows the distinct structure in Mg II emission, which strongly points toward a clumpy asymmetric outflow being driven from this galaxy. Together, these two pieces of evidence suggest that the properties of individual star-forming regions may determine how far outflowing gas can be driven from a galaxy (Bordoloi et al. 2016). We will explore this hypothesis in a follow-up paper that will study the kinematics of the outflowing gas in this galaxy in detail (A. Shaban et al. 2022, in preparation).

Recently, new evidence has increasingly shown spatially extended emission owing to galactic outflows at different cosmic epochs. Chen et al. (2021) reported spatially extended $Ly\alpha$ emission around a group of three lensed galaxies at z = 3.038 out to ~ 30 kpc. Zabl et al. (2021) measured Mg II extended emission around a galaxy at z = 0.702 up to ≈ 25 kpc. One of the most extreme cases of spatially extended outflow was reported by Rupke et al. (2019), who measured an outflow up to 100 kpc in a starburst galaxy called "Makani" at redshift ~ 0.47 using [O II] emission. This measurement is much larger than our nebular [OII] emission extent. Recently, Burchett et al. (2021) found that the Mg II (continuum-subtracted) emission around a star-forming galaxy TKRS 4389 (z =0.6942) extends out to a diameter of 31 kpc. Our findings of spatially extended Mg II emission around RCSGA 032727–132609 to a maximum spatial extent of $\approx 30.0^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ kpc is comparable to these studies. Most of these studies (particularly with Mg II emission) have been at z < 1. Our finding is the highest redshift detection of spatially extended galactic wind traced by Mg II emission ($z \sim 1.7$). Further, while most other studies have targeted unlensed galaxies to trace the global Mg II spatial extent, RCSGA 032727-132609 is strongly gravitationally lensed, magnifying the Mg II emission in individual star-forming regions. This enables us to measure the spatial extent of the outflowing gas not only around the galaxy as a whole but also around individual star-forming regions of the galaxy at $z \sim 1.7$.

Recent theoretical works have also reported how the CGM of galaxies will look in Mg II emission. Nelson et al. (2021) reprocessed the TNG50 simulations to study the Mg II halos in the CGM of galaxies within the redshift range 0.3 < z < 2 and stellar-mass range $7.5 < \log(M_*/M_{\odot}) < 11$. They assumed

that Mg II emission is optically thin, and they ignore the impact of resonant scattering. They found out that the Mg II halos around the galaxies are ubiquitous in star-forming galaxies, regardless of the redshift or the stellar mass. One of the origins of these halos is galactic outflows with complex morphology. The measured covering-fraction radial profile for RCSGA 032727-132609 in this work is an indicator of the morphology and complexity of the outflow. It shows a variation in the morphology of the Mg II emission tracing the outflow. This is consistent with this simulation's results. Our 3σ limits for Mg II emission surface brightness are $\sim 10^{-18}$ erg s⁻¹ cm⁻² $\operatorname{arcsecond}^{-2}$. This is one order of magnitude higher than the surface brightness values of corresponding $z \sim 2$ galaxies in Nelson et al. (2021). If we scale our radial profile to match that of Nelson et al. (2021) in the mass bins $M_* = 10^{9.5} M_{\odot}$ and $M_* = 10^{10} M_{\odot}$ at z = 2, our observed Mg II emission radial profile is still more spatially extended than those reported in Nelson et al. (2021).

Our approach, which combines the power of IFUs and strong gravitational lensing, is a powerful and promising way to study galactic outflows at high redshifts, given that a well-defined lens model exists. In the near future, by increasing the sample size, we aim to build up a robust and statistically significant sample of spatially resolved measurements of galactic outflows, which will significantly enhance our understanding of the morphology and spatial extent of the outflows at cosmic noon. This work is based on observations collected at the European Organization for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere under ESO program 098.A-0459(A). In addition, we used observations made with the NASA/ESA Hubble Space Telescope, obtained from the data archive at the Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI). STScI is operated by the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy, Inc. under NASA contract NAS 5-26555. A.S. and R.B. would like to thank Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics (KITP), which is supported by the National Science Foundation (NSF) under grant No. NSF PHY-1748958, for hosting the Fundamentals of Gaseous Halos workshop. S.L. acknowledges support by FONDECYT grant 1191232.

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Appendix A Radial Profiles of Mg II 2803 Emission Primary and Secondary Components

In this appendix, we introduce the source-plane surface brightness maps reconstructions, the radial profiles, and the *x*-and *y*-spatial extents for the primary and secondary Mg II 2803 emission components in Figure A1 and Figure A2, respectively.



Figure A1. Panel A: Mg II 2803 primary emission component surface brightness map in the source plane. The white contour corresponds to a 3σ significance level. The yellow ellipse represents the shape and the size of the seeing in the source plane. Panel B: mean surface brightness radial profile. Panels C and D show the spatial extent of the surface brightness along the *x*-axis and *y*-axis, respectively. The filled black squares represent mean surface brightness greater than 3σ . The open black squares are 2σ upper limits for bins with surface brightness below 3σ . The orange dashed lines in the panels represent seeing in the source plane.



Figure A2. Same as Figure A1 but for the Mg II 2803 emission secondary component.

Appendix B Radial Profiles and Covering Fraction Parameters

In this appendix, we report the best-fit parameters of the [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II emission radial profiles models in

Table B1. The radial profile model is an exponential+power law in Equation (3) in Section 3.5. We also show the fitting results for the emission covering fraction radial profiles for [O II], Fe II^{*}, and Mg II in Figure B1.



Figure B1. Modeling the covering fraction $C_j(r)$ as a function of radial distance for the [O II] (left), Fe II^{*} (middle), and Mg II emission (right) of the counter arc in the source plane. The dotted lines represent the intrinsic power law models used for the fitting. The dashed lines represent the observed model (intrinsic models after convolving them with the seeing) at the location of the counter arc in the source plane.

Profile	$I_{0,1} (\times 10^{-17})$	$I_{0,2} (\times 10^{-17})$	r_0 (kpc)	r_b (kpc)	β
Counter-arc [O II] Emission	$0.41\substack{+0.01\\-0.01}$	$0.2\substack{+0.0\\-0.0}$	$2.05\substack{+0.07\\-0.04}$	$3.38^{+0.52}_{-0.28}$	$-0.11^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$
Image 3 [O II] Emission	$0.81\substack{+0.01\\-0.01}$	$0.21\substack{+0.01\\-0.0}$	$2.82_{-0.14}^{+0.12}$	$3.65_{-0.47}^{+0.84}$	$-0.16\substack{+0.02\\-0.02}$
Knot E [O II] Emission	$0.64\substack{+0.05\\-0.03}$	$0.2\substack{+0.0\\-0.0}$	$1.16\substack{+0.08\\-0.08}$	$3.1_{-0.07}^{+0.14}$	$-0.38\substack{+0.02\\-0.02}$
Knot U [O II] Emission	$0.54\substack{+0.04\\-0.05}$	$0.11\substack{+0.01\\-0.01}$	$2.05\substack{+0.17\\-0.18}$	$3.57_{-0.43}^{+0.71}$	$-0.41\substack{+0.07\\-0.08}$
Knot B [O II] Emission	$0.44\substack{+0.06\\-0.03}$	$0.2\substack{+0.0\\-0.0}$	$0.57\substack{+0.08 \\ -0.05}$	$2.19_{-0.14}^{+0.22}$	$-0.23\substack{+0.03\\-0.03}$
Counter-arc Fe II* Emission	$2.95_{-0.18}^{+0.31}$	$0.65\substack{+0.14\\-0.1}$	$2.06\substack{+0.09\\-0.04}$	$5.02^{+1.8}_{-1.47}$	$-0.56\substack{+0.05\\-0.04}$
Image 3 Fe II* Emission	$1.99\substack{+0.07\\-0.08}$	$0.71\substack{+0.01\\-0.01}$	$4.32_{-0.17}^{+0.18}$	$3.1_{-0.07}^{+0.15}$	$-0.38\substack{+0.01\\-0.02}$
Knot E Fe II [*] Emission	$2.39_{-0.43}^{+0.35}$	$0.53\substack{+0.05\\-0.02}$	$1.9_{-0.12}^{+0.15}$	$3.71_{-0.51}^{+0.77}$	$-0.37\substack{+0.1\\-0.1}$
Knot U Fe II* Emission	$1.89_{-0.24}^{+0.3}$	$0.63\substack{+0.04\\-0.02}$	$2.4^{+0.31}_{-0.28}$	$3.33_{-0.24}^{+0.42}$	$-0.44_{-0.06}^{+0.07}$
Knot B Fe II* Emission	$1.82\substack{+0.13 \\ -0.24}$	$0.49\substack{+0.06\\-0.04}$	$1.24\substack{+0.15 \\ -0.18}$	$3.48^{+1.0}_{-1.03}$	$-0.2\substack{+0.09\\-0.1}$
Counter-arc Mg II Emission	$2.0^{+0.0}_{-0.0}$	$0.4^{+0.0}_{-0.0}$	$2.0\substack{+0.0\\-0.0}$	$4.09_{-0.07}^{+0.16}$	$-0.07\substack{+0.0\\-0.0}$
Image 3 Mg II Emission	$2.92^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$0.7^{+0.0}_{-0.0}$	$2.04_{-0.03}^{+0.04}$	$3.03_{-0.02}^{+0.04}$	$-0.28^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$
Knot E Mg II Emission	$0.86\substack{+0.08\\-0.09}$	$0.41^{+0.01}_{-0.0}$	$1.75_{-0.12}^{+0.14}$	$3.38^{+0.56}_{-0.28}$	$-0.16^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$
Knot U Mg II Emission	$1.17\substack{+0.16\\-0.12}$	$0.52^{+0.03}_{-0.01}$	$2.33_{-0.27}^{+0.3}$	$3.38_{-0.28}^{+0.57}$	$-0.34^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$
Knot B Mg II Emission	$1.87\substack{+0.09\\-0.13}$	$0.45\substack{+0.01\\-0.01}$	$0.7\substack{+0.06\\-0.04}$	$3.42^{+1.03}_{-0.97}$	$-0.01\substack{+0.01\\-0.02}$

 Table B1

 Parameters for the [O II], Fe II*, and Mg II Emission Surface Brightness Radial Profile Models

Note. The units for $I_{0,1}$ and $I_{0,2}$ are erg s⁻¹ cm⁻² arcseconds⁻².

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