





### Decoding a black hole metric from the interferometric pattern of relativistic images

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#### Gravitational lensing 1



- The gravitational lensing is the effect of deflection of light rays due to the presence of a mass.
- After the explanation of the precession of the perihelion of Mercury, this is the second experimental confirmation of GR.
- It's a powerful instrument in different fields of Astrophysics.
- The entire theory of lensing is developed within the limit of small deflection but lately, gravitational lensing of compact objects is gaining a great importance.



5π

4π

3π

2π



The deflection angle diverges

Bozza, V., and G. Scarpetta. "Strong deflection limit of black hole gravitational lensing with arbitrary source distances." *Physical Review D* 76.8 (2007): 083008.

r<sub>m</sub>

rs

#### Strong deflection limit 1

The SDL is a procedure that allows to provide a simple analytical solution of the deflection angle near the divergence.

$$r_{0} = r_{m}(1 + \delta) \quad \wedge \quad u = u_{cr}(1 + \epsilon) \qquad \longrightarrow \qquad \Delta \phi = -a \log \epsilon + b$$
Let us indicate with *n* the number of half orbit of the black hole performed by the photon
$$\begin{bmatrix} 2n \\ 3\pi/2 \\ \pi/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Delta \phi = \phi_{0} - \phi_{s} + n\pi$$
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Bozza, V. (2010). Gravitational lensing by black holes. General Relativity and Gravitation, 42, 2269-2300.

#### Strong deflection limit 2

An observer at infinity will measure the angular separation between the direction of arrival of the photon and the direction of the black hole simply as  $\theta = \frac{u}{r_o}$ 

$$\theta_n = \frac{u_{cr}}{r_o} \left( 1 + \frac{2\beta_m \eta_s}{u_{cr}^2} e^{\frac{b_s + b_o - \Delta \phi}{a}} \right) = \theta_m \left( 1 + \frac{2\beta_m \eta_s}{u_{cr}^2} e^{\frac{b_s + b_o - \phi_o + \phi_s - n\pi}{a}} \right)$$

All images are created externally a region of angular radius  $\theta_m$  called the shadow since this regione will remain obscure.



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## Universal interferometric signature of a black hole's photon rings

Johnson, Michael D., et al. "Universal interferometric signatures of a black hole's photon ring." Science advances 6.12 (2020): eaaz1310



$$V(\mathbf{u}) = \int I(\mathbf{x}) e^{-2\pi i \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}} d^2 \mathbf{x}$$

$$I(\rho, \varphi_{\rho}) = \frac{1}{\pi d} \delta \left( \rho - \frac{d}{2} \right) \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \beta_{m} e^{im\varphi_{\rho}}$$
$$V(u, \varphi_{u}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \beta_{m} J_{m}(\pi du) e^{im(\varphi_{u} - \pi/2)}$$

 $m = -\infty$ 



### Interferometric signature of relativistic images 1





### Interferometric signature of relativistic images 2





### Interferometric signature of relativistic images 3





# Interferometric signature of relativistic images 4

$$a = \frac{2\pi}{\ln(h_{n,+}/h_{n+1,+})} \qquad \eta_0 \eta_S e^{\frac{b-2n\pi}{a}} = \frac{2(\nu_{n,+}-\nu_{n,-})}{\nu_{n,-}\left(e^{\frac{\phi_S}{a}} + e^{-\frac{\phi_S}{a}}\right) - \nu_{n,+}\left(e^{\frac{\phi_S-2\pi}{a}} + e^{-\frac{\phi_S}{a}}\right)}$$
$$\theta_m = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ e^{\frac{2\pi}{a}} \left[ \nu_{n,-} + e^{-\frac{2\phi_S}{a}} \left( \nu_{n,-} - \nu_{n,+} \right) \right] - \nu_{n,+} \right\} \left( \coth \frac{\pi}{a} - 1 \right)$$
$$\phi_S = \frac{a}{2} \ln\left(h_{n,+}/h_{n,-}\right)$$

#### Rotating black hole 1



$$\int \frac{dr}{\sqrt{R}} = \int \frac{d\theta}{\sqrt{\Theta}}$$

$$\phi_f - \phi_i = a \int \frac{r^2 + a^2 - aJ}{\Delta\sqrt{R}} dr - a \int \frac{dr}{\sqrt{R}} + J \int \frac{\csc^2\theta}{\sqrt{\Theta}} d\theta$$

Kerr geodesics

$$t = \int \frac{r^2}{\sqrt{R}} dr + a^2 \int \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sqrt{\Theta}} d\theta + \int \frac{r(r^2 + a^2 - aJ)}{\Delta\sqrt{R}} dr$$



#### **Emission ring 1**

Tsupko, Oleg Yu. "Shape of higher-order images of equatorial emission rings around a Schwarzschild black hole: Analytical description with polar curves." *Physical Review D* 106.6 (2022): 064033.

$$b_{n}(\varphi) = 3\sqrt{3}m \left\{ 1 + f(r_{s}) \exp\left[-(n+1)\pi\right]_{s,23}^{s,24} + \arccos\left(\frac{\sin\varphi}{\sqrt{\sin^{2}\varphi + \cot^{2}\vartheta_{0}}}\right) \right] \right\}, \quad \begin{array}{c} b_{2}(\varphi)_{s,23}_{s,24} \\ 5.24_{s,24}_{s,24} \\ 5.24_{s,24} \\ 5.2$$

#### **Emission ring 2**

$$b_n(\varphi) = b_{cr} \left\{ 1 + \frac{2\beta_{\rm ph}}{b_{\rm cr}^2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_{\rm ph}}{r_s} \right) e^{\frac{k_o + k_s - (n+1)\pi}{a}} \right.$$
$$\left. \exp\left[ \frac{1}{\tilde{a}} \arccos \frac{\sin \varphi}{\sqrt{\sin^2 \varphi + \cot^2 \theta_o}} \right] \right\}$$

$$\Delta_n = \frac{b_n - b_{n+1}}{b_{\rm cr}}$$

- Janis Newman Winicour γ=0.51
- Janis Newman Winicour  $\gamma$ =0.75
- Reissner Nordstrom q=M
- Reissner Nordstrom q=0.5 M
- Schwarzschild
- Ellis wormhole



#### Conclusion

- The SDL provide a complete analitycal derivation of all the main feature of the problem;
- The systems considered do not depend on the physical environment around the black hole and thus less model-dependent and provide a clear study of the metric;
- There are interesting perspectives from space interferometry in mm and MIR bands,