Special Issue

Observational and Theoretical Strategies to Inquire about the Physics and Symmetries of Standard and Exotic Compact Objects

Message from the Guest Editors

The actual breakthrough discoveries in high-energy astrophysics represented by the direct detection of gravitational waves and images of matter moving around a black hole led to significant developments in relativistic astrophysics. Indeed, new methodologies to investigate the physics and symmetries of standard (black holes and neutron stars) and exotic (wormholes, boson stars, etc.) compact objects have been and are still being proposed due to present and near-future sensitive data to be benchmarked with the outcomes from theoretical models. This Special Issue aims to gather original observational and theoretical strategies in relativistic astrophysics with the goal to increase our knowledge around the physics of standard and exotic compact objects. An important issue is also represented by the symmetries imposed on the mathematical solutions to describe the aforementioned astrophysical objects. We cordially invite researchers to contribute their original and high-quality research papers which will inspire advances in observational and theoretical relativistic astrophysics.

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