



Black holes as probes of Lorenz Invariance Violation

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"Detection of time-delays in VHEs from BHs"

Overview

- LIV and Quantum Gravity
- Experimental searches
- Black holes as probes
- Observations & Results





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All of them very difficult to prove wrong on a theoretical basis!



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Scales:

Energies

$$E_{\rm P} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^5}{G}} \simeq 1.22 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$$

Lengths
 $l_{\rm P} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^3}} \simeq 1.61 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}$
Times
 $t_{\rm P} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar G}{c^5}} \simeq 5.39 \times 10^{-44} \text{ s}$





Collider searches

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Solution: Distant VHE astrophysical sources -Blazars-

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Everything together

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Collecting all the AGN and GRBs

`Smoking Gun'



`Rosetta Stone'



`Tip of the Iceberg'





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`Holy Grail'



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- Main emphasis on blazars: They are always there!!!



The future





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