

General Properties of Axisymmetric Lenses

- Assumptions:
 - A) $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ as $\vartheta \rightarrow \infty$
 - B) α is bounded: $|\alpha| \leq \alpha_{\max}$
 - C) α is differentiable $\Rightarrow \alpha(0) = 0$, since $\alpha(-\vartheta) = -\alpha(\vartheta)$

Schwarzschild does not require that α is smooth; but I needed $\alpha \rightarrow$ finite $\alpha(0)$ as $\vartheta \rightarrow 0$ for property B. We also assume $\alpha, \bar{\alpha} \geq 0$.

1) For large enough β , \exists only a single image at $\vartheta \approx \beta$ (seems natural; proof in SEF)

2) A lens can produce multiple images $\Leftrightarrow 1 + \bar{\alpha} - 2\alpha = \frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} < 0$ somewhere

"can produce": there's such a location in the source plane

Proof: If $\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} \geq 0$ everywhere then $\beta(\vartheta)$ is monotonic

and can be inverted to give a unique image at ϑ for each β

(if $\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} = 0$ the image is stretched but not split). This proves " \Rightarrow "

$$\alpha(-\vartheta) = -\alpha(\vartheta) \Rightarrow \beta(-\vartheta) = -\vartheta - \alpha(-\vartheta) = -\beta(\vartheta), \text{ so also } \beta(0) = 0$$

$$\alpha \text{ and } \beta \text{ are odd} \Rightarrow \frac{d\alpha}{d\vartheta} \text{ and } \frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} \text{ are even}$$

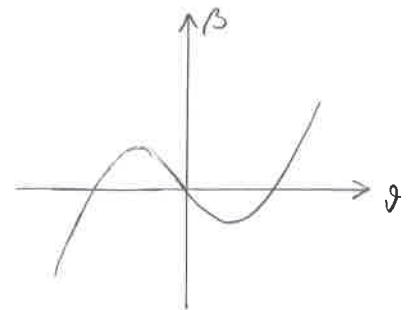
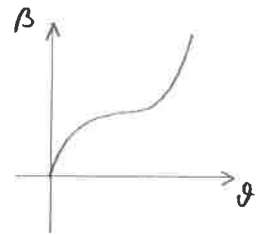
If $\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} < 0$ somewhere then \exists pair at values ϑ where $\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} = 0$

since $\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} \rightarrow 1$ (and $\beta \rightarrow \pm\infty$) as $\vartheta \rightarrow \pm\infty$

$\Rightarrow \beta$ has a local maximum and a local minimum, and between these values produces at least 3 images

This proves " \Leftarrow ". \square

$\therefore \exists$ radial critical curve



3) $\kappa > \frac{1}{2}$ somewhere is necessary for multiple images

Proof: $\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} = 1 + \bar{\kappa} - 2\kappa < 0 \Rightarrow \kappa > \frac{1}{2}(1 + \bar{\kappa}) > \frac{1}{2}$ ^{*} \square

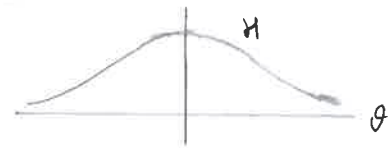
4) $\kappa > 1$ somewhere is sufficient for multiple imaging

Already proven on p. 1-12 for general lenses. For the axisymmetric case it is simpler: Assume $\kappa > 1$ ^{somehow}

Since $\alpha(\vartheta) = \bar{\kappa}(\vartheta)\vartheta \rightarrow 0$ as $\vartheta \rightarrow \pm\infty \Rightarrow \bar{\kappa}(\vartheta) \rightarrow 0$, κ must have a maximum at some ϑ_m ^{**}

Thus $\kappa(\vartheta_m) > 1$ and $\kappa(\vartheta_m) \geq \bar{\kappa}(\vartheta_m)$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta}(\vartheta_m) = 1 + \bar{\kappa}(\vartheta_m) - 2\kappa(\vartheta_m) = \underbrace{[1 - \kappa(\vartheta_m)]}_{< 0} + \underbrace{[\bar{\kappa}(\vartheta_m) - \kappa(\vartheta_m)]}_{\leq 0} < 0 \quad \square$$



Centrally condensed lenses $\equiv \kappa'(\vartheta) \leq 0$ for $\vartheta \geq 0$

5) These can produce multiple images $\Leftrightarrow \kappa(0) > 1$

Sufficiency shown already. Necessity: If $\kappa(0) \leq 1$ then $\kappa \leq 1$ everywhere

For $\vartheta \geq 0$: $\kappa'(\vartheta) \leq 0 \Rightarrow \bar{\kappa}'(\vartheta) \leq 0$ and we have then

$$\frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta} = \underbrace{1 - \bar{\kappa}}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{\bar{\kappa}'\vartheta}_{\geq 0} \geq 0 \text{ everywhere} \Rightarrow \text{no multiple images} \quad \square$$

6) These can produce multiple images $\Leftrightarrow \frac{d\alpha}{d\vartheta}(0) > 1$ ($\Leftrightarrow \frac{d\beta}{d\vartheta}(0) < 0$)

Assuming $\lim_{\vartheta \rightarrow 0} \kappa = \kappa(0)$ is finite $\Rightarrow \bar{\kappa}(0) = \kappa(0)$ and $\frac{d\alpha}{d\vartheta}(0) = 2\bar{\kappa}(0) - \kappa(0) = \kappa(0) \quad \square$

***) I am not sure that $\bar{\kappa} \rightarrow 0$ as $\vartheta \rightarrow \pm\infty$ proves that κ must have a maximum; but it would require rather pathological behavior at κ for it not to have a maximum.

*) Note that here we assume $\kappa, \bar{\kappa} > 0$. In the cosmological context they may be negative, as density refers to density perturbation.