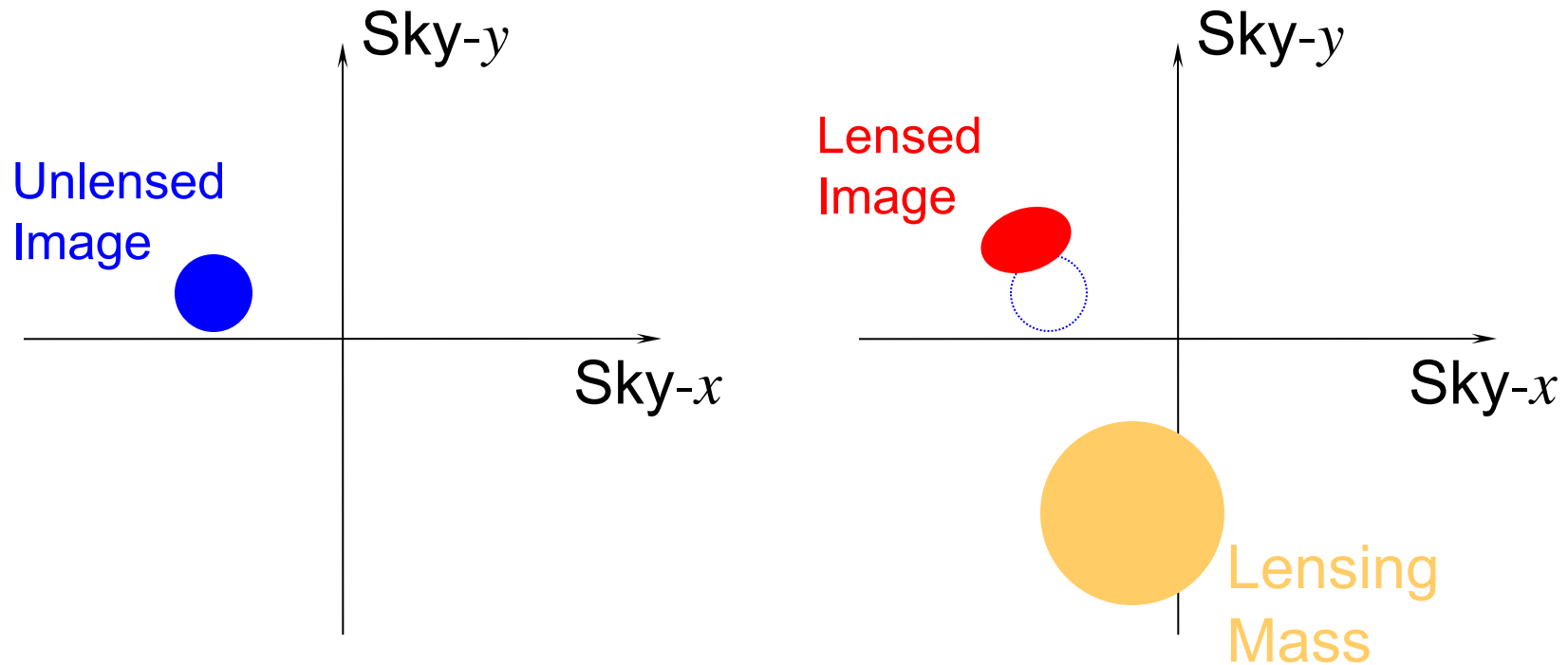


Shear, Ellipticity and All That (Part I)

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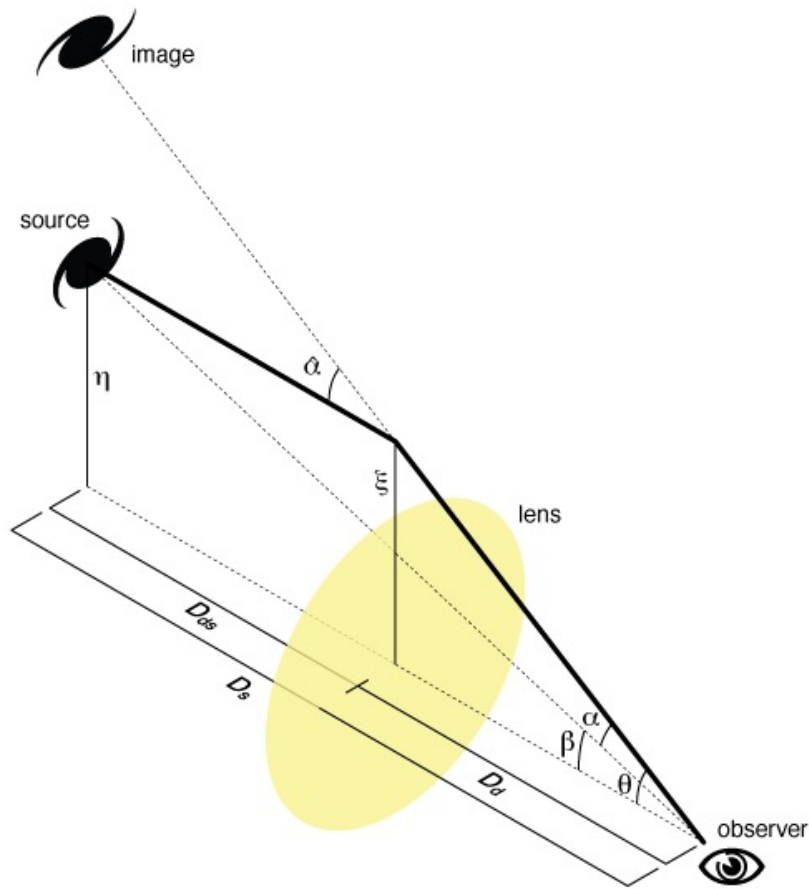
“Look, up in the sky...”



Part 1: Describe re-mapping, maps from weak lensing

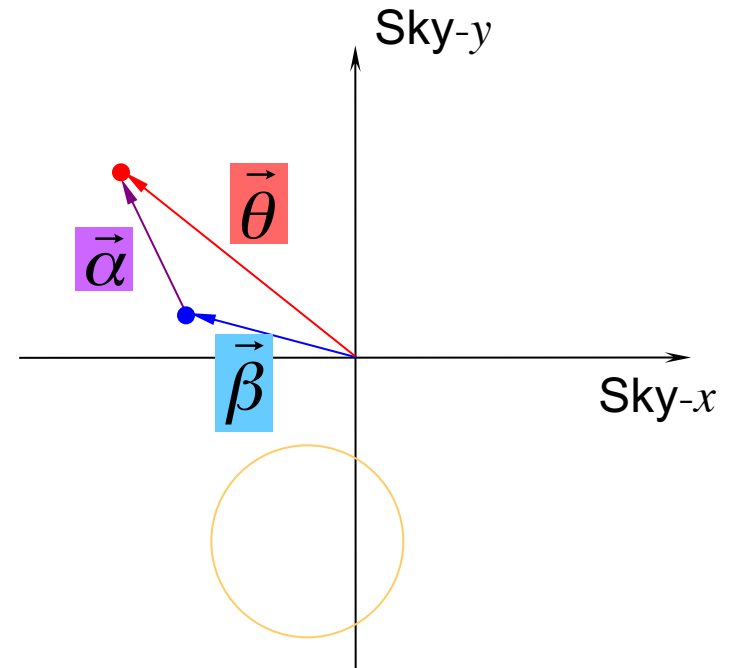
Part 2: Measuring map features, connect to physics

Displacement on the sky



Single-bend/"thin-screen" approximation
(figure from Wikipedia)

$\vec{\beta}$ Unlensed/Source
 $\vec{\theta}$ Lensed/Image



$$\vec{\beta}(\vec{\theta}) = \vec{\theta} - \vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta}) \quad \text{Simple}$$

$$\vec{\theta}(\vec{\beta}) = \vec{\beta} + \vec{\alpha}(\vec{\beta}) \quad \text{Awkward}$$

General 2D→2D mappings

$$\vec{\beta}(\vec{\theta})$$

$$\vec{\beta}_0 = \vec{\beta}(\vec{\theta}_0) \quad \text{Taylor expand around } \vec{\theta}_0$$

$$\vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_0 + \left. \frac{\partial \vec{\beta}}{\partial \vec{\theta}} \right|_{\vec{\theta}_0} (\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0) + O((\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)^2)$$

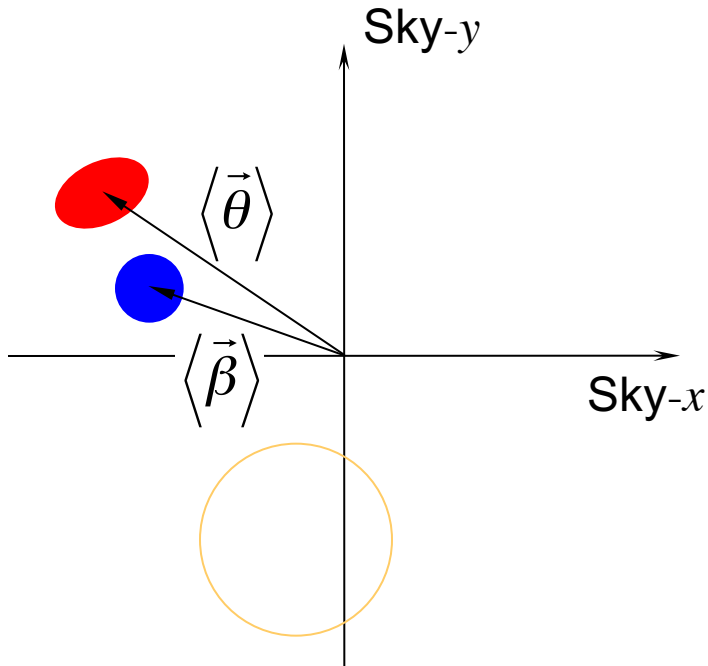
$$\begin{bmatrix} \beta_x - \beta_{0x} \\ \beta_y - \beta_{0y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial \beta_x}{\partial \theta_x} & \frac{\partial \beta_x}{\partial \theta_y} \\ \frac{\partial \beta_y}{\partial \theta_x} & \frac{\partial \beta_y}{\partial \theta_y} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \theta_x - \theta_{0x} \\ \theta_y - \theta_{0y} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{to 1st order}$$

$$\underbrace{\vec{\beta} - \vec{\beta}_0}_{\text{Source}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}}_{\text{Jacobi Matrix}} \underbrace{(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)}_{\text{Image}}$$

$$\underbrace{(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)}_{\text{Image}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}^{-1}}_{\text{Magnification Matrix}} \underbrace{(\vec{\beta} - \vec{\beta}_0)}_{\text{Source}}$$

Effect of 1st-order map on mean

$$\langle X \rangle \equiv \frac{\sum_{\text{Stars } i} X(i)}{N_{\text{Stars}}}$$



$$\vec{\beta} = \vec{\beta}_0 + \mathbf{A}(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \vec{\beta} \rangle &= \langle \vec{\beta}_0 + \mathbf{A}(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0) \rangle \\ &= \vec{\beta}_0 + \mathbf{A}(\langle \vec{\theta} \rangle - \vec{\theta}_0) \\ &= \vec{\beta}(\langle \vec{\theta} \rangle) \end{aligned}$$

The mean of the image is
the image of the mean

Effect of 1st-order map on covariance

Taylor expand around means, take $\vec{\beta}_0 = \langle \vec{\beta} \rangle$ and $\vec{\theta}_0 = \langle \vec{\theta} \rangle$

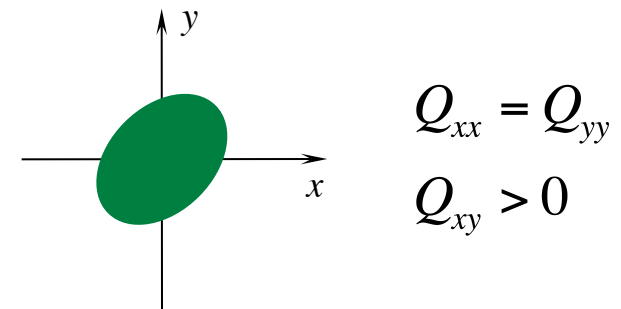
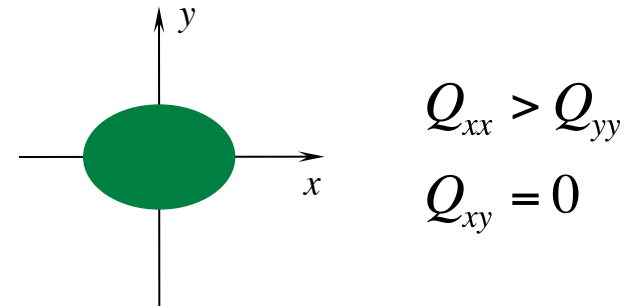
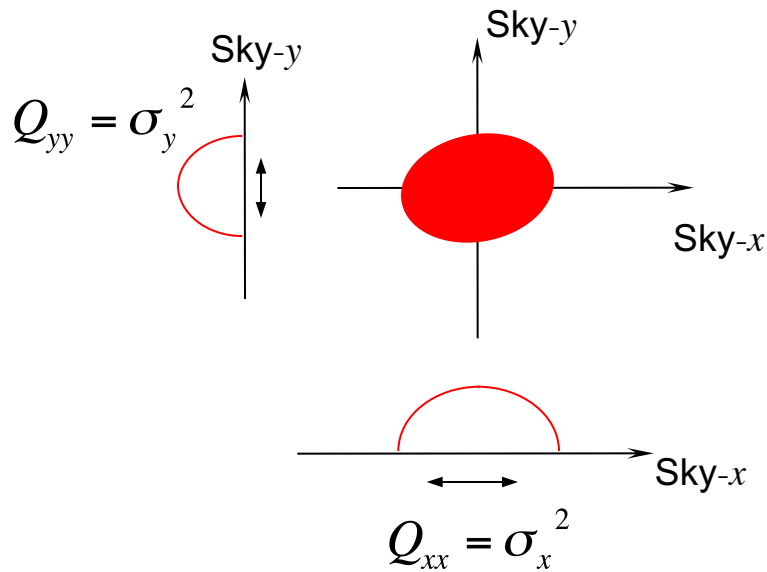
Covariance matrix: $\Sigma_{ij}^{\text{Source}} \equiv \langle (\beta_i - \langle \beta_i \rangle)(\beta_j - \langle \beta_j \rangle) \rangle \quad i, j \in \{x, y\}$

$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma^{\text{Source}} &= \langle (\vec{\beta} - \vec{\beta}_0)(\vec{\beta} - \vec{\beta}_0)^T \rangle \\ &= \left\langle \mathbf{A}(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0) \left[\mathbf{A}(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0) \right]^T \right\rangle \\ &= \mathbf{A} \langle (\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)^T \rangle \mathbf{A}^T \\ &= \mathbf{A} \Sigma^{\text{Image}} \mathbf{A}^T\end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma^{\text{Image}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} \Sigma^{\text{Source}} \left[\mathbf{A}^T \right]^{-1}$$

This is how lensing \mathbf{A} affects the image covariance Σ

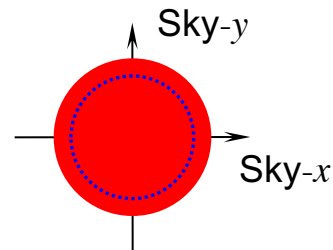
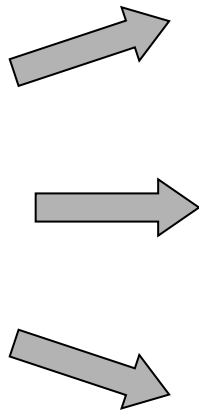
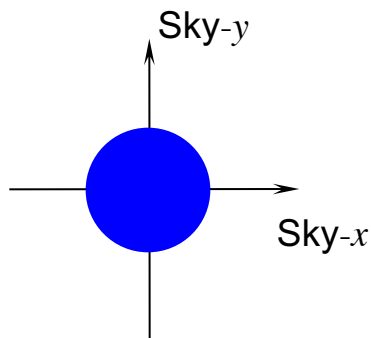
Astronomers refer to Σ as Q



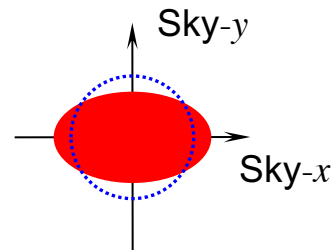
How do we relate properties of \mathbf{A} to features of Q ?

Symmetric Traceless Decomposition

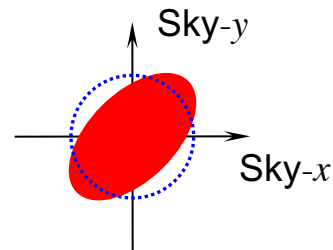
$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} - (\text{Convergence})\mathbf{I} - \begin{bmatrix} \text{Shear}_+ & \text{Shear}_x \\ \text{Shear}_x & -\text{Shear}_+ \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{Conv} &> 0 \\ \text{Shear}_+ &= 0 \\ \text{Shear}_x &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



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Deflection potential ψ

M. Bartelmann, P. Schneider / Physics Reports 340 (2001) 291–472

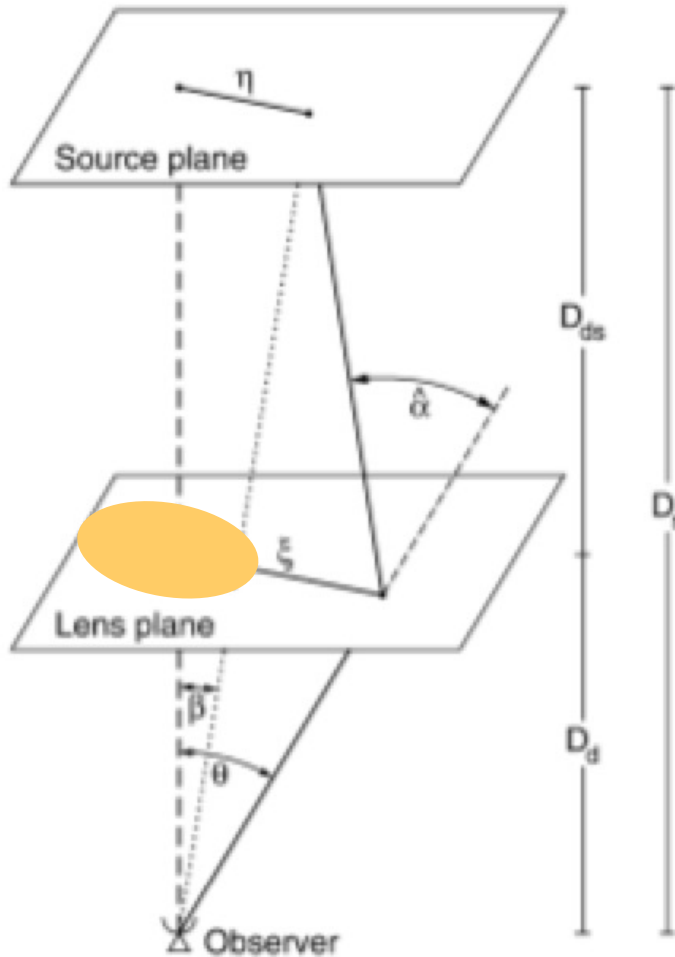


Fig. 11. Sketch of a typical gravitational lens system.

Deflection angle $\vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta})$ depends on local projected mass density $\Sigma(\vec{\xi}) = \int \rho(\vec{\xi}, z) dz$ at location $\vec{\xi} = \vec{\theta} D_d$ in the lens plane.

Define deflection potential $\psi(\theta)$ such that displacement angle

$$\vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta}) = \vec{\nabla} \psi(\vec{\theta})$$

The deflection potential is related to the projected mass density:

$$\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi(\vec{\theta}) = \frac{\Sigma(\vec{\theta} D_d)}{\Sigma_C} \equiv \kappa(\vec{\theta})$$

The \mathbf{A} matrix for a thin screen

$$\vec{\beta}(\vec{\theta}) = \vec{\theta} - \vec{\alpha}(\vec{\theta}) = \vec{\theta} - \vec{\nabla} \psi(\vec{\theta}) \quad \text{or} \quad \beta_i = \theta_i - \frac{\partial \psi(\vec{\theta})}{\partial \theta_i} \quad i \in \{x, y\}$$

$$A_{ij} = \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \theta_j} = \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial \theta_j} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi(\vec{\theta})}{\partial \theta_j \partial \theta_i} \quad i, j \in \{x, y\}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x \partial \theta_y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y \partial \theta_x} & \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi \end{bmatrix} - \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y^2} \right) & \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x \partial \theta_y} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y \partial \theta_x} & -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y^2} \right) \end{bmatrix}}$$

Symmetric and Traceless

Convergence, shear₊ and shear_x

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} - \kappa \mathbf{I} - \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_2 & -\gamma_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y^2} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 \psi = \frac{\Sigma(\vec{\theta} D_d)}{\Sigma_c}$$

Convergence

$$\gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_x^2} - \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y^2} \right)$$

Shear₊

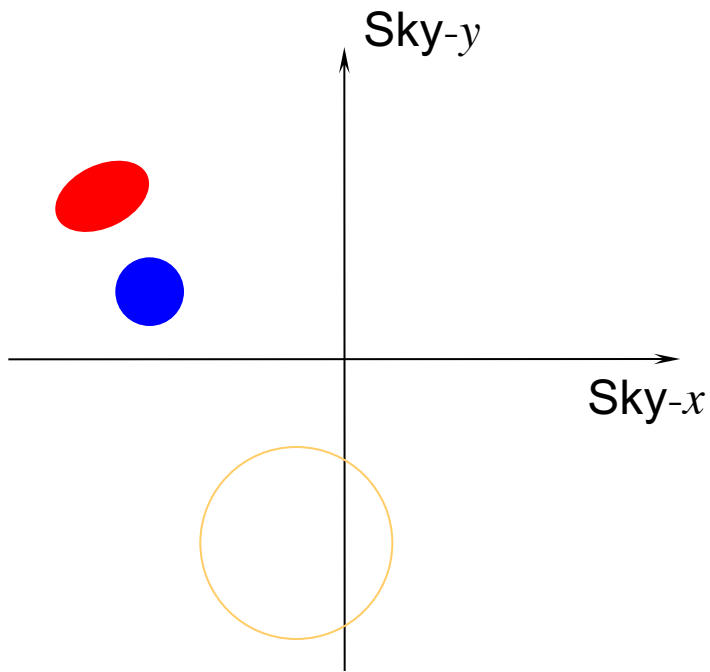
$$\gamma_2 = \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \theta_y \partial \theta_x}$$

Shear_x

All 1st order in ψ
and so 1st order in
lensing mass.

Object brightness

Surface brightness = (sources per area) x (brightness of each source)



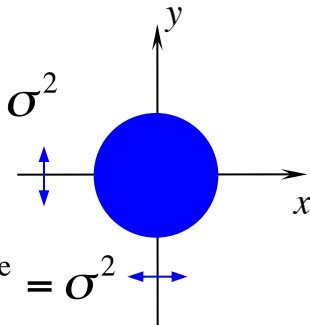
$$\underbrace{(\vec{\theta} - \vec{\theta}_0)}_{\text{Image}} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}^{-1}}_{\text{Magnification Matrix}} \underbrace{(\vec{\beta} - \vec{\beta}_0)}_{\text{Source}}$$

$$\text{Area}(\text{red ellipse}) = \text{Det}[\mathbf{A}^{-1}] \text{Area}(\text{blue circle})$$

Since surface brightness is preserved by lensing, spreading the sources over a larger area, $\text{Det}[\mathbf{A}^{-1}] > 1$, must increase the brightness by that same factor:

$$\frac{\text{Imaged brightness}}{\text{Original brightness}} = |\mathbf{A}^{-1}| = \frac{1}{(1 - \kappa)^2 - (\gamma_1^2 + \gamma_2^2)}$$

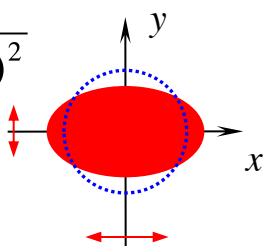
“Mass-sheet Degeneracy”



$$Q_{yy}^{\text{Source}} = \sigma^2$$

$$Q_{xx}^{\text{Source}} = \sigma^2$$

Choose
axes so
 $\gamma_2=0$



$$Q_{yy}^{\text{Image}} = \frac{\sigma^2}{(1 - \kappa + \gamma_1)^2}$$

$$Q_{xx}^{\text{Image}} = \frac{\sigma^2}{(1 - \kappa - \gamma_1)^2}$$

All shape
analysis boils
down to
measuring:

$$\frac{\text{Long axis}}{\text{Short axis}} = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{\sigma_x}{\sigma_y} = \frac{\sqrt{Q_{xx}}}{\sqrt{Q_{yy}}} = \frac{1 - \kappa + \gamma_1}{1 - \kappa - \gamma_1}$$

Measuring a/b
cannot determine
 κ and γ_1
independently!

Reduced shears g_1 and g_2

$$\frac{\text{Long axis}}{\text{Short axis}} = \frac{a}{b} = \frac{1 - \kappa + \gamma_1}{1 - \kappa - \gamma_1} = \frac{1 + \gamma_1/(1 - \kappa)}{1 - \gamma_1/(1 - \kappa)} \equiv \frac{1 + g_1}{1 - g_1}$$

So measuring a/b fixes g_1 , in axes where $\gamma_2 = g_2 = 0$.

For general axes (e.g. pixels)
define *reduced shears*: $g_1 \equiv \frac{\gamma_1}{1 - \kappa} \quad g_2 \equiv \frac{\gamma_2}{1 - \kappa}$

In general measuring a/b fixes $\sqrt{g_1^2 + g_2^2}$

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} - \kappa \mathbf{I} - \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_2 & -\gamma_1 \end{bmatrix} = (1 - \kappa) \begin{bmatrix} 1 - g_1 & -g_2 \\ -g_2 & 1 + g_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Sequential
dilation & shear

Note: inverse \iff negative shear

If

$$\mathbf{A} = (\text{Constant}) \begin{bmatrix} 1 - g_1 & -g_2 \\ -g_2 & 1 + g_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = (\text{Constant}') \begin{bmatrix} 1 + g_1 & +g_2 \\ +g_2 & 1 - g_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Measuring (g_1, g_2) from Q

$$Q^{\text{Image}} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} Q^{\text{Source}} [\mathbf{A}^T]^{-1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q^{\text{Image}} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1-g_1 & -g_2 \\ -g_2 & 1+g_1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1-g_1 & -g_2 \\ -g_2 & 1+g_1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ &= (Const) \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1+2g_1+g_1^2+g_2^2 & 2g_2 \\ 2g_2 & 1-2g_1+g_1^2+g_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{pmatrix} \propto \begin{pmatrix} Q_{xx}^{\text{Image}} - Q_{yy}^{\text{Image}} \\ 2Q_{xy}^{\text{Image}} \end{pmatrix}$$