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**Abstract**

C. Maccone has promoted the study of gravitational lensing for telescoping and interstellar communications. This paper presents results of ray tracing calculations for point-source Gaussian laser beams, targeted to close approaches with stellar lenses.