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WARBURTON, MIT — The near-horizon region of a near-extreme Kerr black hole  
possesses additional emergent symmetries and can be thought of as a spacetime in  
its own right. I will discuss the dynamics of particles and fields in this region, the  
constraints imposed by symmetry, and observational consequences for astrophysical  
black holes.

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