

Classical de Sitter Spacetime

- Maximally Symmetric Soln. to Einstein's Eqs. with a Positive Cosmological Constant (Vacuum Energy)

$$G_{ab} + \Lambda g_{ab} = 0$$

- Symmetry Group is $O(4,1)$: Hyperboloid of Revolution in D=5 flat spacetime

$$ds^2 = -dT^2 + dW^2 + dX^2 + dY^2 + dZ^2 \quad \text{with fixed 'radius'}$$

$$-T^2 + W^2 + X^2 + Y^2 + Z^2 = H^{-2} \quad H^2 = \Lambda/3$$

- Line Element in with closed S^3 spatial sections: **globally complete**

$$ds^2 = H^{-2} \sec^2 \eta (-d\eta^2 + d\chi^2 + \sin^2 \chi d\Omega^2)$$

- Line Element in FLRW form (flat spatial sections, proper time): **inflation**

$$ds^2 = -d\tau^2 + e^{2H\tau} (dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2) \quad \text{Scale Factor: } a(\tau) = e^{H\tau}$$

- Line Element in Static Coordinates: de Sitter's original form

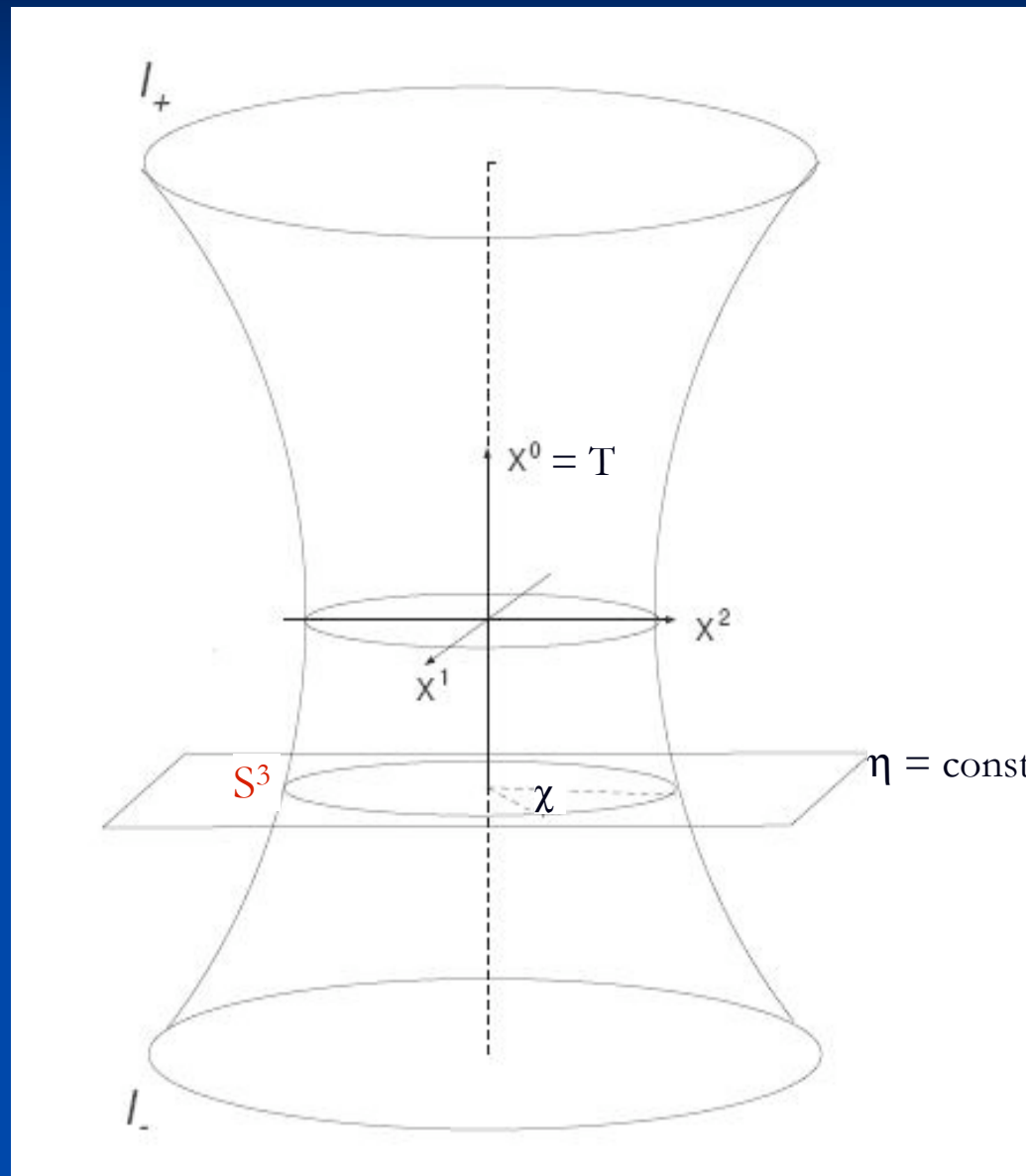
$$ds^2 = -(1 - H^2 r^2) dt^2 + (1 - H^2 r^2)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

$$r_H = 1/H \quad \text{is the Hubble-de Sitter horizon scale}$$

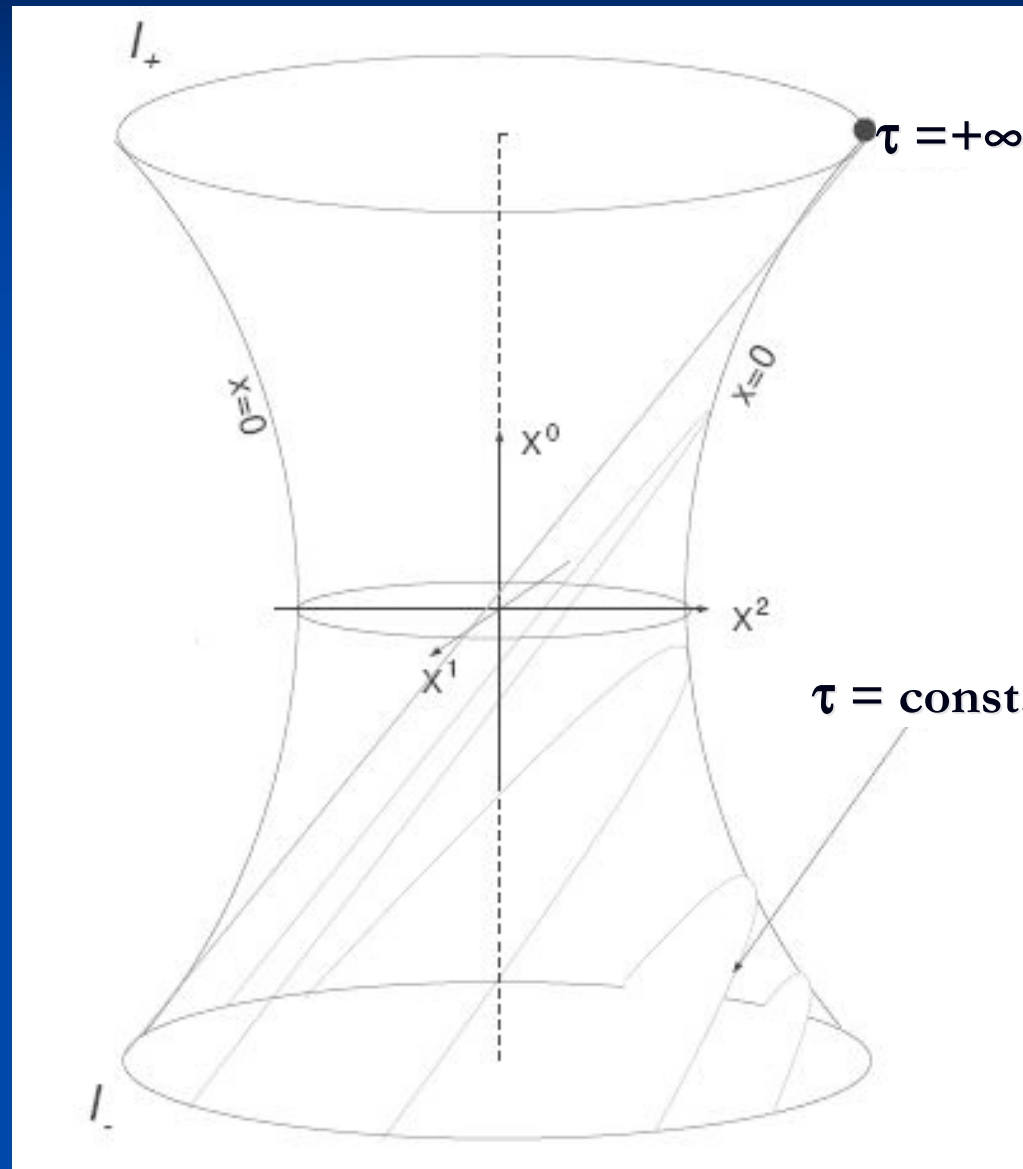
All the **same de Sitter spacetime** (or parts thereof) described in different coordinates

Classical de Sitter Hyperboloid

S^3 sections

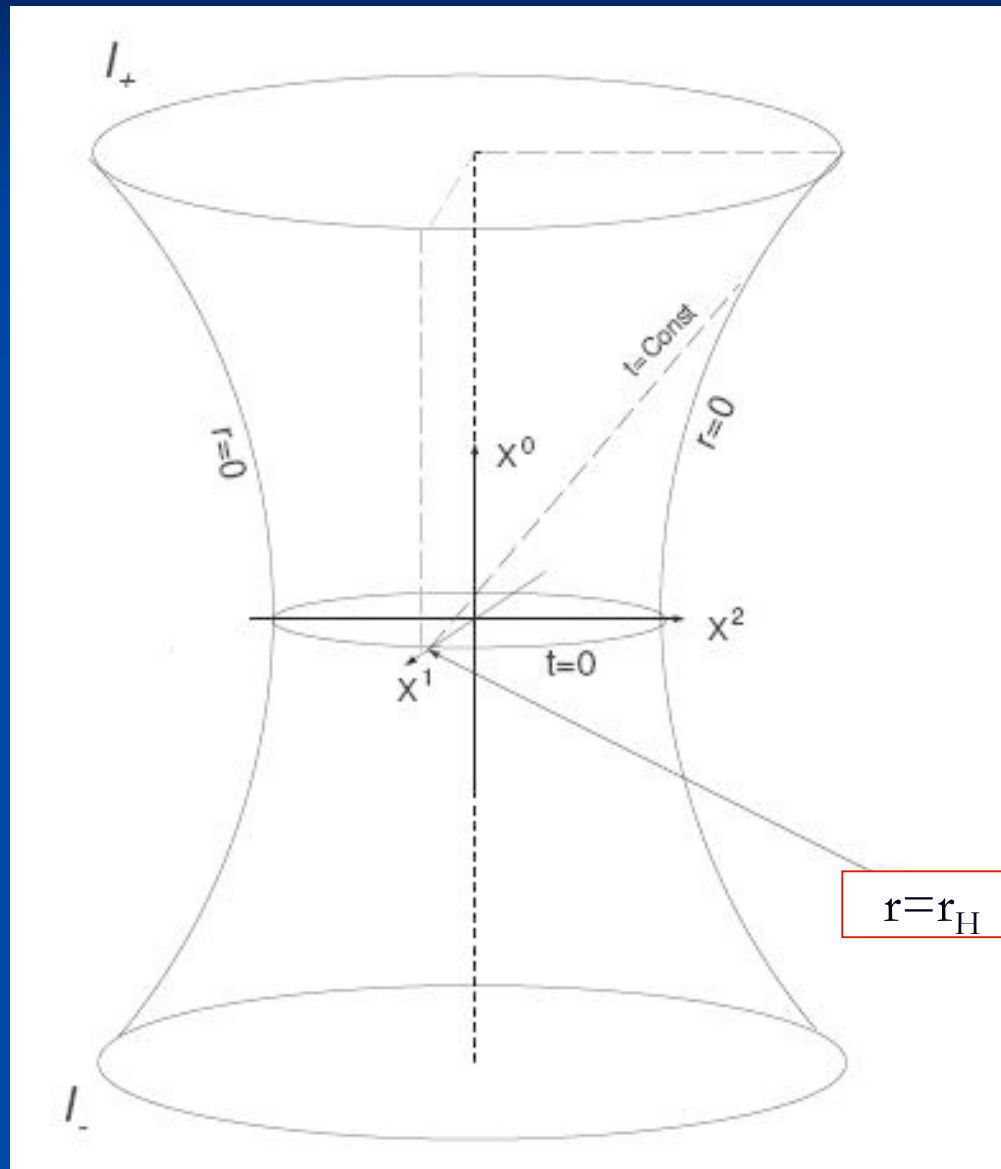


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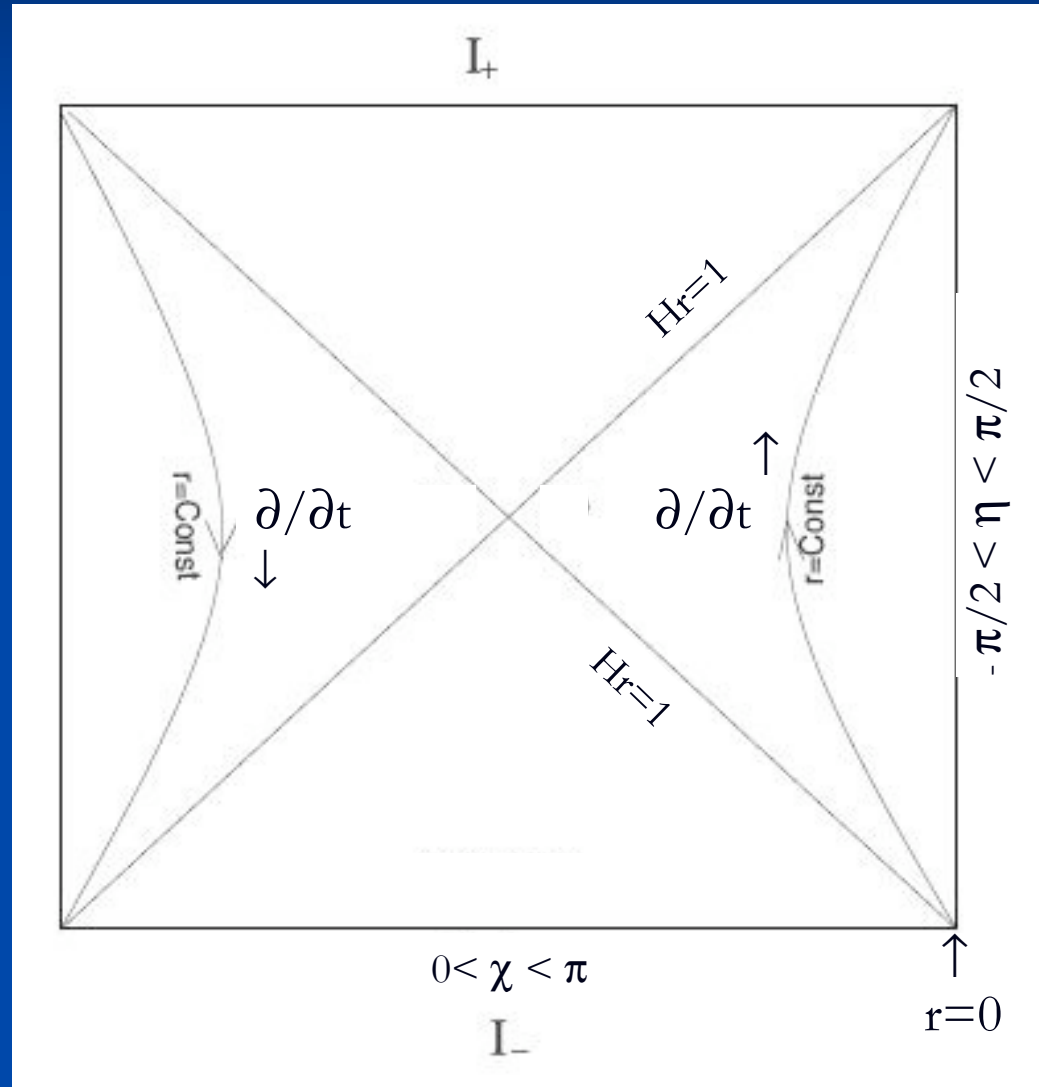
Flat sections

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Static sections

Classical de Sitter Spacetime: Carter-Penrose Conformal Diagram



Quantum Effects in de Sitter Space

- Quantum ‘Vacuum’ is non-trivial

Spontaneous Particle Creation (‘84)

Decay Rate: $\Gamma \sim H^4 \exp(-m/T_H)$ $T_H = H/2\pi$

for massive fields

- Compare to Schwinger Effect: ‘Shorting’ the vacuum

$$\Gamma \sim (eE)^2 \exp(-m^2/eE)$$

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = -j$$

- Backreaction should **decrease** H

$$\frac{dH}{dt} = -\frac{4\pi G}{c^2}(\rho + p)$$

- Maximally Symmetric $O(4,1)$ Bunch-Davies State has exact time reversal symmetry -- thermodynamic equilibrium

but **negative** heat capacity (‘85)

unstable to thermodynamic fluctuations

(compare to black hole)

$$T_H = \frac{\hbar H}{2\pi k_B} \propto \left(\frac{c^5}{2GH} \right)^{-1} = E_H^{-1}$$

Quantum Effects in de Sitter Space

- Temperature Fluctuations lead to **divergent** stress tensor
on the horizon: $\langle T^a_b \rangle \sim (T^4 - T_H^4)/(1-H^2r^2)^2$
- Infinite BlueShift (again)
- No **$O(4,1)$** Bunch-Davies Thermal State at all
for massless, minimally coupled fields or gravitons
- Graviton Propagator grows **logarithmically** with distance
No Cluster Decomposition, S-Matrix
- Global Symmetry Restoration: No Goldstone Bosons
Similar to Massless Scalar Theory in $D=2$
- Non-trivial Infrared Properties
- Infrared Relevant Operator Missing in EFT of Gravity? (**yes**)

Effective Action of 4D Gravity

By inverting the eq. for σ the local **W-Z action** may be expressed as a difference of fully covariant but **non-local** actions,

$$\Gamma_{WZ}[\bar{g}; \sigma] = S_{anom}[g] - S_{anom}[\bar{g}] \quad \text{and}$$
$$S_{eff}[g] = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{g} (R - 2\Lambda) + S_{anom}[g]$$

Consequences of Conformal Anomaly

- S_{anom} determined by general principles of covariance and QM, independently of any Planck scale physics.
- Additional term is **relevant** at large distances (scales as a marginally relevant operator under $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma + \sigma_0$).
- Conformal factor, constrained in classical Einstein theory, contains new **dynamical** degrees of freedom.
- New **conformally invariant** phase of gravity in 4D
- Running of G^{-1} and Λ to **zero** in this new phase.
- Possible imprint on CMBR Spectrum and Statistics.

I. Antoniadis, P. O. Mazur, E. M., Phys. Rev. D 55 (1997) 4756, 4770;
Phys. Rev. Lett. 79 (1997) 14

Implication: Vacuum Energy is Dynamical

Λ as Vacuum Energy of a Gravitational Bose-Einstein Condensate

- The Conformal Factor of the metric $g_{ab} = e^{2\sigma} \bar{g}_{ab}$ is **frozen** by the classical Einstein's Eqs. $R = 4\Lambda$
- But the trace anomaly of massless quantum fields forces the scalar 'condensate' $\langle e^{2\sigma} \rangle$ to **fluctuate** Auxiliary ϕ, ψ
- This generates a well-defined additional term in the low energy action, and
- Describes a New Conformally Invariant Phase, **Infrared Fixed Point of Gravity**
- The quantum phase transition to this phase is characterized by '**melting**' of the scalar condensate $\langle e^{2\sigma} \rangle$ Fluctuating ϕ, ψ

Λ_{eff} **Dynamical**, generated by SSB of Global Conformal Invariance $\sigma \rightarrow \sigma + \sigma_0$

Quantum Effects Near $r = R_S$

- **Huge** Vacuum Stresses for generic b. c. at horizon:

$$\langle T_t^t \rangle \sim \langle T_r^r \rangle \sim \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)^{-n}, \quad n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{Unruh} \\ 2 & \text{Boulware} \end{cases}$$

- Gravitational effects of quantum matter become **strong** near $r = R_S$ and affect the geometry.
- Strong attractive self-interactions \Rightarrow **Condensation**.
- If Quantum Correlations $\langle T_a^b(x) T_c^d(y) \dots \rangle$ also grow when x, y, \dots approach the horizon \Rightarrow **Highly Entangled Quantum State**.
- Possibility of **Quantum Phase Transition** to BEC-like phase near $r = R_S$.
- Critical region where Sound Speed = Light Speed:

$$c_s^2 = \frac{dp}{d\rho} = c^2$$

Any Additional Increase in Pressure would violate Causality: Onset of Superluminal Modes is the **Signature of a Relativistic Phase Transition**.

- A Critical Surface Layer with $p = \rho$ is Necessary for Joining $p = -\rho$ Interior with Vacuum Exterior.

Bose-Einstein Condensation

- Bose-Einstein statistics imply any number of particles can occupy the **same** single particle state.
- At high enough densities and/or low enough temperatures a finite fraction of all the particles are in the lowest energy (**ground**) state.
- This tendency of bosons to condense takes place in the absence of interactions or even with (not too strong) repulsive interactions. **Attractive** interactions make it all the more favorable.
- Bose-Einstein Condensation is a generic macroscopic quantum phenomenon, observed in **Superfluids**, 4He (even 3He by fermion pairing), **Superconductors**, and **Atomic Gases**, ${}^{87}Rb$.
- Relativistic Quantum Field Theory exhibits a similar phenomenon in **Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking**, in both the strong and electroweak interactions $\langle \bar{q}q \rangle \neq 0$ $\langle \Phi \rangle \neq 0$.

A Macroscopic Quantum Effect

Gravitational Vacuum Condensates

- Gravity is a theory of spin-2 **bosons**
- Its interactions are **attractive**
- The interactions become **strong** near $r = R_s$
- Energy of any **scalar** order parameter must couple to gravity with the **vacuum** eq. of state,
$$p_V = -\rho_V = -V(\phi)$$
- Relativistic Entropy Density s is (for $\mu = 0$),
$$Ts = p + \rho = 0 \text{ if } p = -\rho$$
- Zero entropy density for a **single** macroscopic quantum state, $k_B \ln \Omega = 0$ for $\Omega = 1$
- This eq. of state **violates** the energy condition,
$$\rho + 3p \geq 0 \text{ (if } \rho_V > 0)$$
 needed to prove the classical singularity theorems
- Dark Energy acts as a **repulsive** core

A GBEC phase transition can stabilize
a high density, compact cold stellar
remnant to further gravitational collapse

Realizes idea of A. Sakharov, Ya. Zel'dovich, E. Gliner

A Solution to Einstein's Eqs.

$$R_a{}^b - \frac{1}{2}R \delta_a{}^b = 8\pi G T_a{}^b$$

- $1 - \frac{d(rh)}{dr} = 8\pi G \rho r^2$
- $\frac{rh}{f} \frac{df}{dr} + h - 1 = 8\pi G p r^2$
- $\frac{dp}{dr} + \frac{p+\rho}{2f} \frac{df}{dr} = 0 \quad (\nabla_b T_r{}^b = 0)$

Other components follow by differentiating these

Define $h \equiv 1 - \frac{2Gm(r)}{r}$

Then $\frac{dm}{dr} = 4\pi \rho r^2$ and

$$\frac{dp}{dr} = -\frac{G(\rho+p)(m+4\pi pr^3)}{r(r-2Gm)} \quad (\text{TOV eq.})$$

Eqs. become closed when eq. of state is given:

$$p = \kappa \rho$$

with $\kappa = \begin{cases} -1, & r < r_1 \\ +1, & r_1 < r < r_2 \\ p = \rho = 0, & r_2 < r \end{cases}$ **A Simple Model
2004**

Planned: Use the EFT and Stress Tensor of the Trace Anomaly to solve the matching problem in the quantum phase boundary layer (mean field approximation of auxiliary fields)

- I. Interior (Vacuum Condensate) de Sitter:

$$f(r) = Ch(r) = C (1 - H_0^2 r^2),$$

$$\rho_V = -p_V = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G}$$

- III. Exterior (Vacuum) Schwarzschild:

$$f(r) = h(r) = 1 - \frac{2GM}{r}$$

C , H_0 and M are (so far) arbitrary parameters

- II. Only Non-Vacuum Region:

Thin shell with $p = \rho \rightarrow pf = \text{const.}$

Let $w \equiv 8\pi Gpr^2$ so the other two eqs. are

- $\frac{dr}{r} = \frac{dh}{1-w-h} \simeq \frac{dh}{1-w}$

- $\frac{dh}{h} = -\frac{1-w-h}{1+w-3h} \frac{dw}{w} \simeq -\frac{1-w}{1+w} \frac{dw}{w}$

If region II shell is **thin**, *i.e.* exists only near $r \simeq R_s \simeq H_0^{-1}$, then $h \ll 1$ in region II and **h can be neglected on r.h.s. of**

Elementary Integration gives then

$$h \simeq \epsilon \frac{(1+w)^2}{w} \ll 1 \rightarrow \epsilon \ll 1, \text{ integ. const.}$$

$$r \simeq r_1 \left[1 - \epsilon \ln \left(\frac{w}{w_1} \right) + \epsilon \left(\frac{1}{w} - \frac{1}{w_1} \right) \right]$$

Integration of final (conservation) eq. gives

$$f(r) = \left(\frac{r}{r_1}\right)^2 \left(\frac{w_1}{w}\right) f(r_1) \simeq \left(\frac{w_1}{w}\right) f(r_1)$$

A consistent soln. matching at r_1 and r_2 is obtained if w is $\mathcal{O}(1)$ but $\Delta w \equiv w_2 - w_1 = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$. Then

$$r \simeq r_1 \simeq H_0^{-1} \simeq R_s \simeq r_2$$

barely changes in region II with

$$\Delta r \equiv r_2 - r_1 = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$$

and both f and h are of order ϵ in region II **but nowhere vanishing**. This means that the soln. has **a globally defined time and NO event horizon**.

The physical meaning of $\epsilon \ll 1$ is that $\epsilon^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is the order of the very large but **finite** redshift a photon emitted at the shell experiences in escaping to infinity.

The proper thickness of the shell is

$$\ell = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} dr h^{-\frac{1}{2}} \simeq R_s \epsilon^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{w_1}^{w_2} dw w^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

which is $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{\frac{3}{2}} R_s) \ll R_s$

Likewise the energy in the thin shell of region II is

$$E_{II} = 4\pi \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \rho r^2 dr = \epsilon M \int_{w_1}^{w_2} dw$$

which is $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon M) \sim M_{pl} \ll M$

However, the entropy **all** resides in the shell since

$$p = \rho = \frac{a^2}{8\pi G} \left(\frac{k_B T}{\hbar} \right)^2$$

$$s = \frac{p+\rho}{T} = k_B \frac{a}{4\pi G \hbar} \frac{\sqrt{w}}{r}$$

$$S_{II} = 4\pi \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{sr^2 dr}{\sqrt{h}} \simeq k_B \frac{a R_s^2}{\hbar G} \sqrt{\epsilon} \int_{w_1}^{w_2} \frac{dw}{w}$$

which is of order

$$a k_B \frac{M \ell}{\hbar} \sim S_{BH} \sqrt{\epsilon} \ll S_{BH} = 4\pi k_B \frac{GM^2}{\hbar}$$

and very much smaller than S_{BH} .

Eg. If $a \sim 1$, $\ell \sim \sqrt{L_{pl} R_s}$, $M \sim M_\odot$,

$$S \simeq 10^{57} k_B \sim S_\odot \simeq 10^{58} k_B \ll S_{BH} \simeq 10^{77} k_B$$

Main Features of New Soln.

- Vacuum Schwarzschild Exterior
- de Sitter (GBEC) Interior, No Singularity
- $\Lambda > 0$ Casimir Energy due to b.c.
- GBEC similar to Gluon Condensate in Bag Model of Hadrons
- Thin Shell of $p = \rho$, No Event Horizon
- Global Time, Unitarity, No Hawking Radiation
- Modest Entropy, No Information Paradox
- Maximizes Entropy, Completely Stable
- No Planckian Pressures or Densities
- Hydrodynamic Einstein Eqs. Valid Everywhere except at r_1, r_2 Stationary Shock Fronts
- Interior de Sitter also a Cosmological Soln.

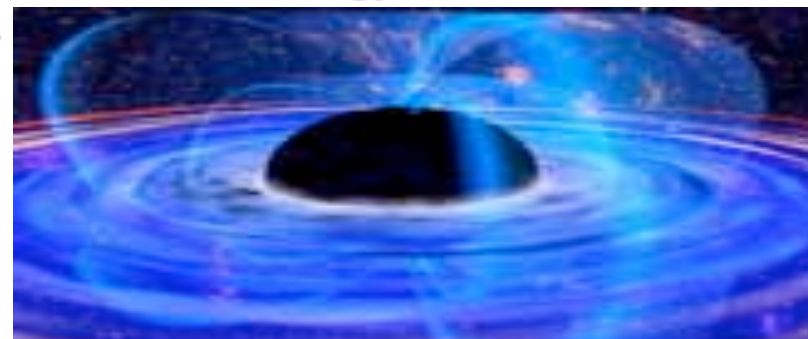
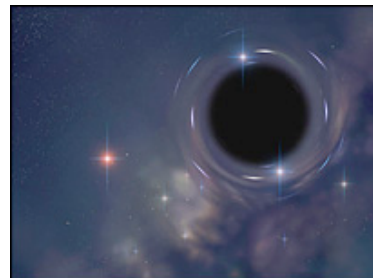
Analog to BEC quantum transition near the classical horizon

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Gra(vitational) Va(cuum) Stars

Gravastars as Astrophysical Objects

- Cold, Dark, Compact, Arbitrary M
 - Accrete Matter like a Black Hole
 - But Matter does not Disappear down a Hole
 - May be Re-emitted by Ultra-relativistic Shell
 - Possible More Efficient Central Engine for Sporadic Gamma Ray Bursters, High-Energy Cosmic Rays, Other Sources?
 - Formation could be Violent 'Bosenova'
 - Should Support Angular Momentum, Magnetic Fields
 - Gravitational Wave Signatures?
 - Alternative to Black Holes for the Final State of Gravitational Collapse
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- Cosmological Models of Dark Energy
 - Much to be Done...



Cosmological Horizon Modes

(w. P. R. Anderson & C. Molina-Paris LA-UR-09-01895)

- Variation of $\langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle$ in **de Sitter** space contains contributions from S_{anom} of scalar auxiliary fields φ, ψ
- Additional massless scalar degrees of freedom in cosmology
- The relevant scalar modes satisfy **second order** wave eqs. (“Inflaton without inflaton”)
- Couple weakly to the metric with strength $G_N H^2 \ll 1$
- But grow significant close to the de Sitter horizon $r_H = H^{-1}$

$$G_N \delta \langle T_t^t \rangle \sim \frac{G_N H^4}{(1 - H^2 r^2)^2}$$

- Becomes of order of classical $R_t^t = 3H^2$ at a proper distance from r_H

$$\ell \sim \sqrt{r_H L_{Pl}} \quad \text{“Healing Length”}$$

- Same as proper distance outside the Schwarzschild horizon

New Horizons in Gravity

- Einstein's Theory receives Quantum Corrections relevant at *macroscopic* Distances & near Event Horizons
- These arise from *new scalar degrees of freedom* in the *extended EFT of Gravity* required by the **Conformal/Trace Anomaly**
- At horizons these massless scalar degrees of freedom have *macroscopically large effects*
- Their Fluctuations can induce a *Quantum Phase Transition* at the horizon of a 'black hole'
- Λ_{eff} is a *dynamical condensate* which can change in **the** phase transition & remove 'black hole' interior singularity
- **Gravitational Condensate Stars** resolve all 'black hole' paradoxes \Rightarrow New Astrophysics of 'gravastars' **testable**
- The observed dark energy of our Universe itself may be a *macroscopic finite size effect* whose value depends not on microphysics but on the **cosmological horizon scale**