How Special Are Black Holes? Correspondence with Saturons in Generic Theories

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How Special Are Black Holes?

• Their entropy satisfies the *area law*: [1]

$$S \sim \frac{Area}{G_N} \sim \frac{Area}{M_p^{-2}}$$

• Decay rate is thermal and they have *temperature*

$$T \sim \frac{1}{R}$$

- They exhibit a (semiclassical) *information horizon*.
- Time-scale required for beginning of the *information retrieval* is [2]

$$t_{min} = SR \sim \frac{R^3}{M_p^{-2}} \sim \frac{Volume}{M_p^{-2}}$$

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How Special Are Black Holes?

- Does the *area-law* entropy bound extend beyond gravity?
 - What is its underlying meaning?

 $S \leqslant \frac{Area}{G_{Gold}}$

The entropy bound is imposed by unitarity

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Unitarity Cross-section: $\sigma_{2\rightarrow 2} \sim \alpha$

Cross-section: $\sigma_{2 \rightarrow N} n_{st} \sim \alpha^N N! n_{st}$



The *bound* reads

$$S \leqslant \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim N$$

For self-sustained objects of size R, $\alpha = \alpha(q)$ is as an effective running coupling evaluated at the scale $q \sim 1/R$, and $\alpha N \sim O(1)$

Entropy Bound Imposed by Unitarity

• E.g. consider bound states of Goldstone bosons of de Broglie wavelength R

$$\alpha = \frac{q^2}{f^2} = \frac{1}{(fR)^2}$$

f is the canonically normalized *Goldstone decay constant*.

• Thus

$$S \leqslant \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{Area}{G_{Gold}}$$

- Area ~ R^2
- $G_{Gold} \equiv f^2$ is the Goldstone coupling

Saturons

- We refer to the objects saturating the entropy bounds as *Saturons*.
- Different saturons are discussed in [1-3]. These include:
 - Black Holes,
 - Vacuum Bubbles.
- <u>Area law</u>:
- <u>Temperature:</u>
- Information retrieval
- Information horizon.

- Classical lumps, Instantons, Monopoles...
- Color Glass Condensates

$$S_{\text{Max}} = \frac{1}{\alpha} = \frac{Area}{f^{-2}}$$
$$T \sim \frac{1}{R},$$
$$t_{min} = \frac{Volume}{G_{Gold}} = \frac{R}{\alpha} = S_{\text{max}}$$

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Saturon as a Vacuum Bubble

A Model

Model of a Saturon as a Vacuum Bubble

• We consider $d = 4 \mod d$ of a scalar field ϕ in the *adjoint rep*. of SU(N), and $N \gg 1$

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \left[\left(\partial_{\mu} \phi \right) (\partial^{\mu} \phi) \right] - V[\phi]$$

• Unitarity requires $\alpha \leq \frac{1}{N}$

$$V[\phi] = \frac{\alpha}{2} \operatorname{tr}\left[\left(f\phi - \phi^2 + \frac{I}{N}\operatorname{tr}\left[\phi^2\right]\right)^2\right]$$



 $SU(N) \rightarrow SU(N-K) \times SU(K) \times U(1),$

Model of a Saturon as a Vacuum Bubble



Vacuum Bubbles Stabilization

A Memory Burden Effect

Vacuum Bubbles Stabilization

• Rotate in internal space the ansatz

$$\Phi_{\rm D} = \frac{\varphi(r)}{\sqrt{N(N-1)}} \operatorname{diag}\left((N-1), -1, \dots, -1\right)$$

as

$$\phi = U^{\dagger} \Phi_{\rm D} U$$

$$U = \exp[-i\theta T].$$

• Here T corresponds to the respective broken generators of SU(N)

$$\theta = \omega t$$

• G. Dvali, O. Kaikov, and J.S. Valbuena B, (2021), PRD 105, 056013 (2022); 2112.00551 [hep-th]

Vacuum Bubbles Stabilization:



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Vacuum Bubbles Stabilization: Quantum picture of classical stability

$$E_{\text{Bubble}} = E_{\text{int}} + E_{\text{wall}} = \frac{\omega}{\alpha} \frac{m^5}{\omega^5} \left(\frac{40\pi}{81}\right),$$

• In terms of the *occupation numbers* of the corresponding quanta, the energies are:

$$E_{\rm int} = \omega N_G$$
, where, $N_G \equiv \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{m^5}{\omega^5} \left(\frac{16\pi}{81}\right)$,
 $E_{\rm wall} = m N_{\varphi}$, where, $N_{\varphi} \equiv \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{m^4}{\omega^4} \left(\frac{8\pi}{27}\right)$.

Vacuum Bubbles Stabilization: Quantum picture of classical stability

- A stationary bubble is obtained thanks to the excitations of the Goldstone mode(s).
- The bubble is stable because of two factors:
 - 1) The fact that the Goldstone SU(N) charge is conserved; and
 - 2) The fact that the same amount of charge in the exterior vacuum would cost higher energy.

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Vacuum Bubbles Microstates

Towards Entropy Saturation

Vacuum Bubbles Microstates

- $N_G = E_{int}/\omega$ is the total mean *occupation number*.
- $N_{Gold} = 2(N-1)$ Goldstone modes (flavors).
- N_G can be arbitrarily *redistributed* among the N_{Gold} modes.

$$\sum_{a=1}^{2N-1} n^a = N_G$$

• Each sequence represents a *memory pattern*

$$|Pattern\rangle = |n_{\omega}^{1}, n_{\omega}^{2}, ...\rangle$$

• The number of degenerate micro-states, n_{st} , is the number of *patterns* satisfying the *constraint* above, and the *entropy* is

$$S = \ln n_{st} \approx 2N \ln \left[\left(1 + \frac{2N}{N_G} \right)^{\frac{N_G}{2N}} \left(1 + \frac{N_G}{2N} \right) \right]$$

Vacuum Bubbles Microstates

• Thick wall (Small) Bubbles correspond to Saturons

$$\omega \sim m$$
$$m^{-1} \sim R$$
$$N_G \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim N \sim N_{Gold}$$
$$S \sim S_{max} \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim E_{Bubble}R$$

Information Horizon

Saturons in semiclassical limit

Semi-classical Limit

• The limit in which the classical bubble solution experiences no back reaction from quantum fluctuations

 $\alpha \rightarrow 0$, R = finite, $\omega = \text{finite}$, $\alpha N = \text{finite}$

• Simultaneously

 $f \to \infty$, m = finite, $N \to \infty$

- In this limit, saturons possess a strict *information horizon*.
- <u>Recall</u>: For BH $f \sim M_p$

Goldstone Horizon: An Example

• Lets consider a perturbation on a stable vacuum bubble, ϕ_{VB} ,

$$\phi\Big|_{t=0} = p(r)\phi_{VB}(r)$$

$$p(r) = \exp\left[\frac{i\pi}{2}e^{-\frac{r^2}{2r_0^2}}T\right]$$



Goldstone Horizon: An Example



Goldstone Horizon: An Example



Correspondence to Black Holes

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Saturons

- $S = (fR)^2 = \alpha^{-1}$
- $T = R^{-1}$
- $t_{\min} = R^3 f^2 = SR$
- Information/Goldstone Horizon

Black Holes

•
$$S = (M_P R)^2$$

•
$$T = R^{-1}$$

•
$$t_{\min} = R^3 M_P^2 = SR$$

• Information Horizon

Conclusions and outlook

- Black Holes are certainly special but not unique.
- BH belong to a larger class of objects: Saturons, which saturate the entropy bound.
- We have shown an explicit example of a Saturon as a Vacuum Bubble.
- Vacuum Bubbles exhibit a goldstone horizon, analog to the information horizon of saturons.
- A large (macroscopic) occupation number of the Goldstone modes stabilizes the Vacuum Bubbles. This phenomenon is due to the memory burden effect

Conclusions and outlook

- Departures from semi-classical behavior can become observable for BH that are relatively old and close to their half-decay time.
- The light Primordial Black Holes, provided they exist, can be within a potentially interesting window.
- Other possible observational consequences for rotating black holes are discussed in [7]

Thank you

Outlook

 $t/f^{-1}=0$ 40 φ/f 1.0 20 0.8 y/f^{-1} 0.6 . . . 0 0.4 0.2 -200 -40-40-200 20 40 x/f^{-1}

Outlook



Saturation of Unitarity

If $N \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \gg 1$

$$\sigma_{2\to N} n_{st} \sim \alpha^N \left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)^N e^{-\frac{1}{\alpha}} e^S$$

$$S \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim N$$

$$\sigma_{2\to N} n_{st} \sim \alpha^N N! n_{st}$$



Vacuum Bubbles Micro-state Entropy

Large Bubbles

 $\omega \ll m$ $m^{-1} \ll R$ $\cdot N_G \gg \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim N \sim N_{Gold}$ $\cdot 1 \gg \lambda$ $\cdot S \approx 2N \ln\left(\frac{e}{\lambda}\right) \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \ln\left(\frac{m^{10}}{\omega^{10}}\right)$ $\cdot S \ll S_{\max} \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{m^6}{\omega^6}$

Small Bubbles -> Saturons

 $\omega \sim m$ $m^{-1} \sim R$ $\cdot N_G \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim N \sim N_{Gold}$ $\cdot 1 \sim \lambda$ $\cdot S \sim \frac{1}{\alpha} \sim E_{Bubble}R$ $\cdot S \sim S_{max}$

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Memory Burden Effect

Vaccum Bubbles Stabilization

Large amount of Memory patterns

Stored quantum information.

Slowdown of the system's evolution

Large amount of Bubble micro-states

Excitations of the Goldstone modes

Slowdown of bubble's decay

Vacuum Bubbles Stabilization





Semi-classical Limit

• In Semi-classical limit, the effective coupling of a Goldstone mode of frequency ε

$$\alpha_G = \frac{\varepsilon^2}{f^2} \to 0$$

- At finite f, and $\varepsilon \ll m$ cannot propagate outside the bubble, even though the coupling α_G is finite.
 - The energy ε is such propagation is impossible due to the finite energy gap.
 - $\varepsilon \ll m$, the perturbation energy can exceed the mass gap at the expense of a large occupation number n_{ε} of Goldstone quanta.

 $n_{\varepsilon} \rightarrow 1$,

such a process is exponentially suppressed by a factor ${
m e}^{-n_{arepsilon}}$

Spectrum



Spectrum





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