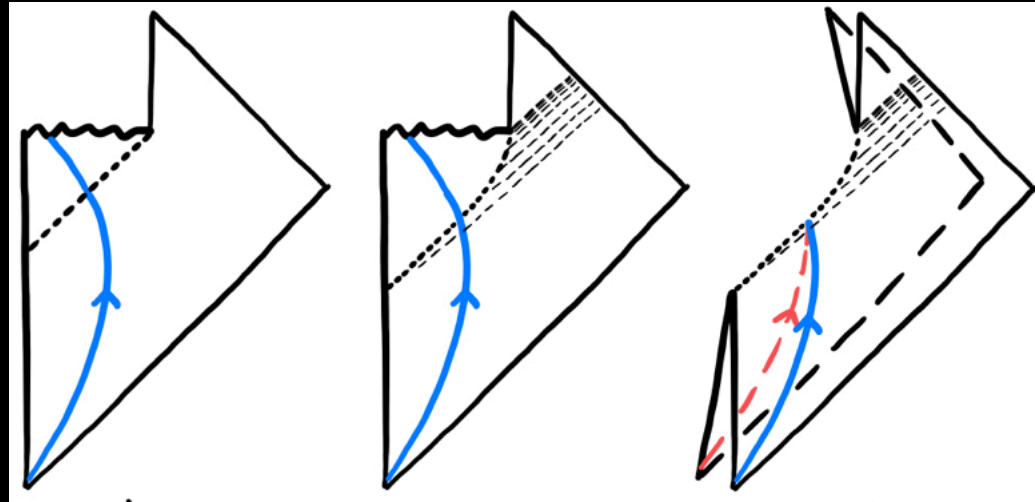
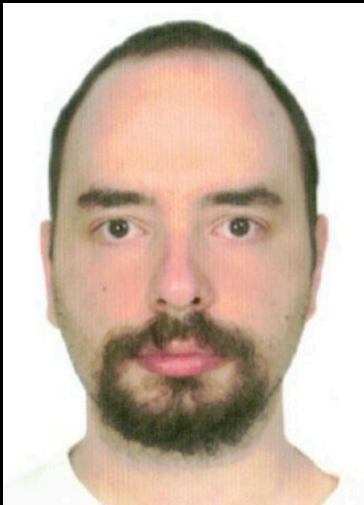


Black Mirrors: CPT-Symmetric Alternatives to Black Holes

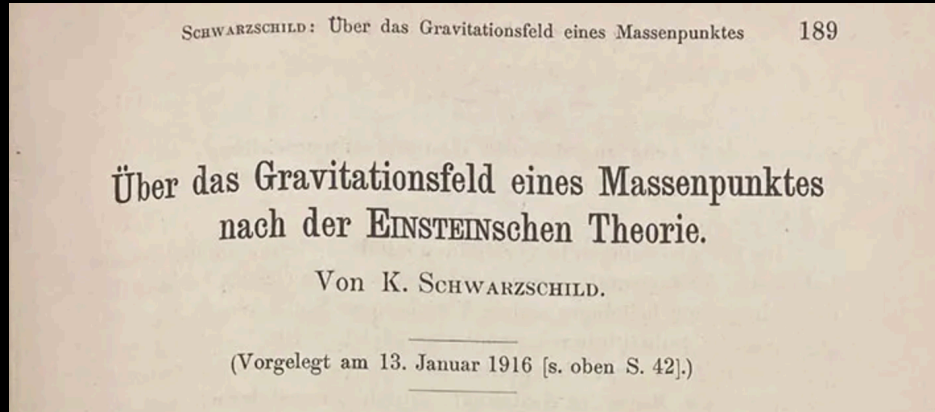


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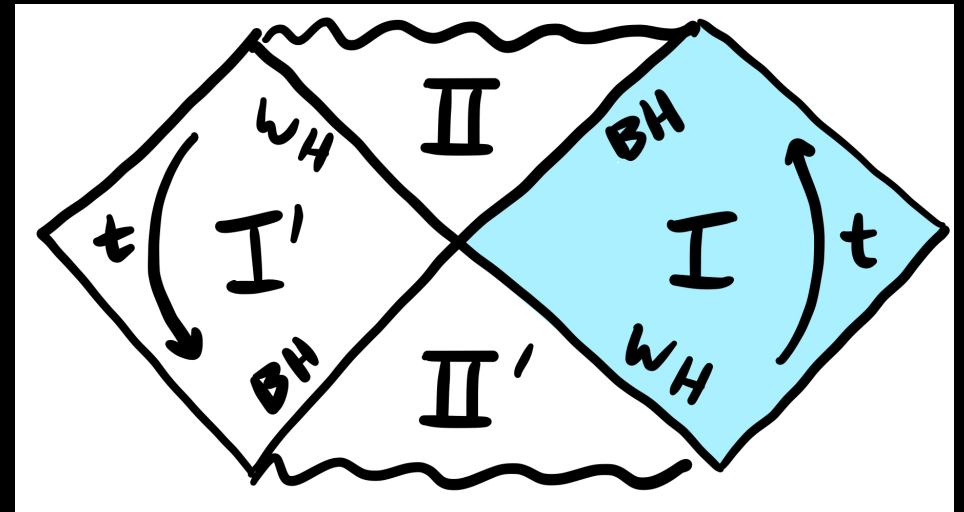
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Schwarzschild Metric (1916)



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

$$f(r) \equiv 1 - \frac{2m}{r} \quad \text{and} \quad d\Omega^2 \equiv d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2$$



Einstein-Rosen Bridge/Wormhole (1935)

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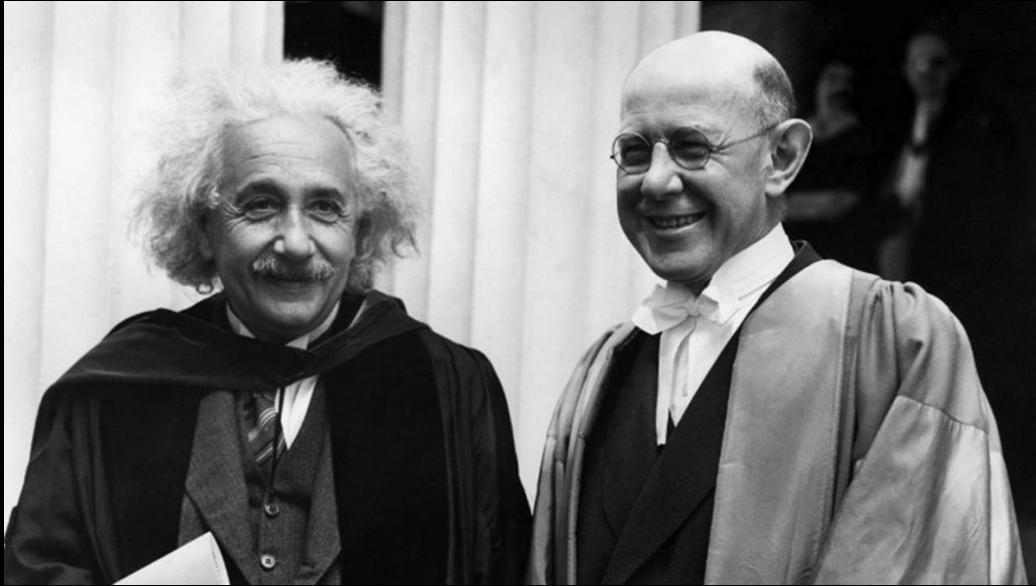
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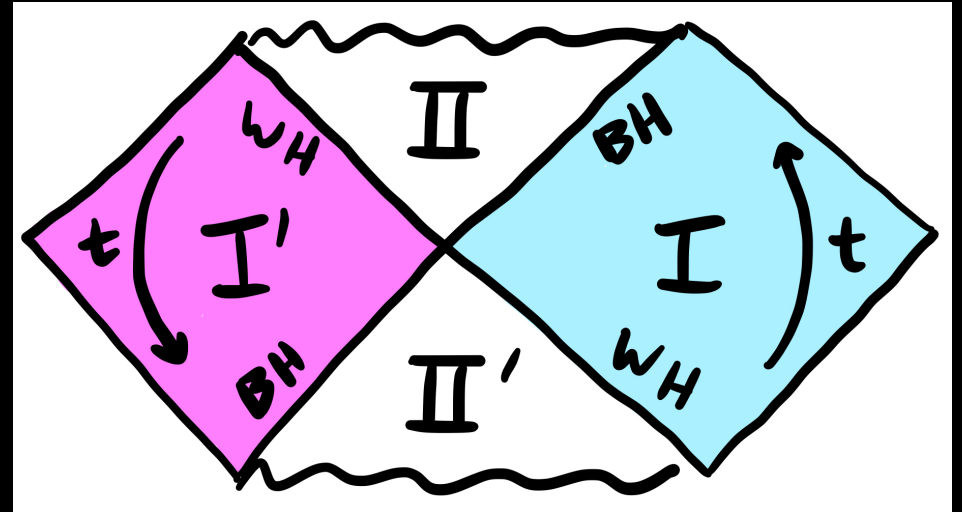
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Oppenheimer-Snyder (1939)

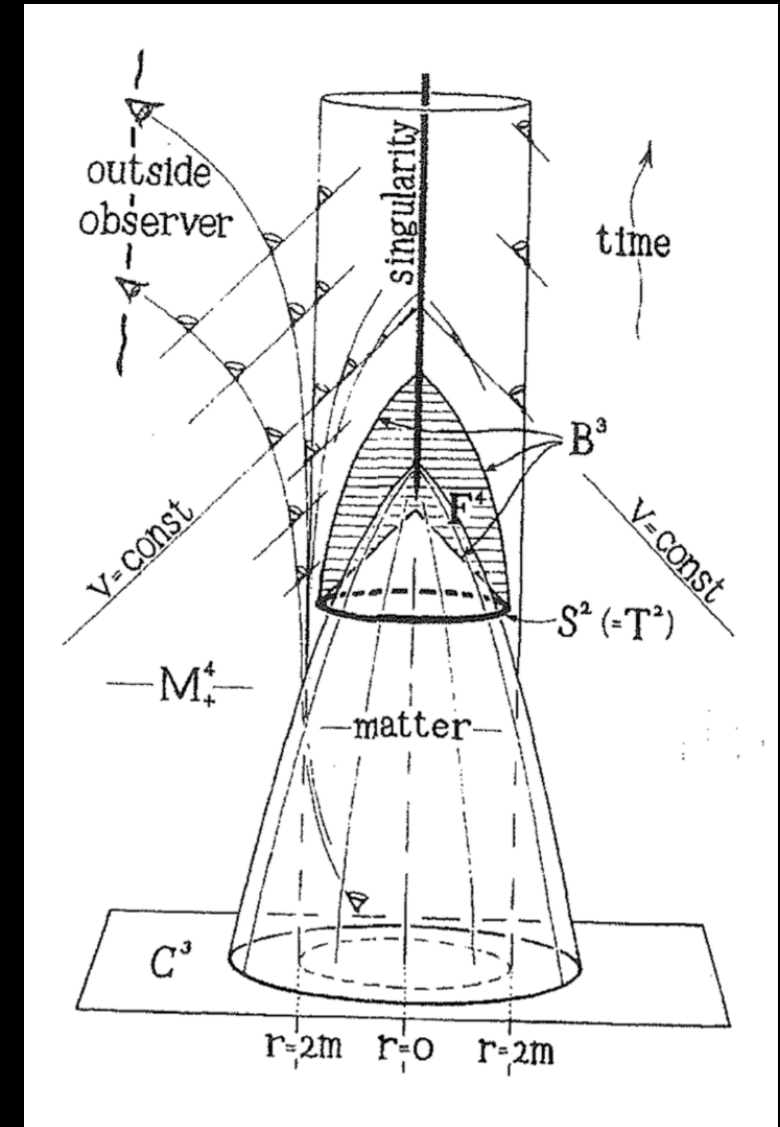
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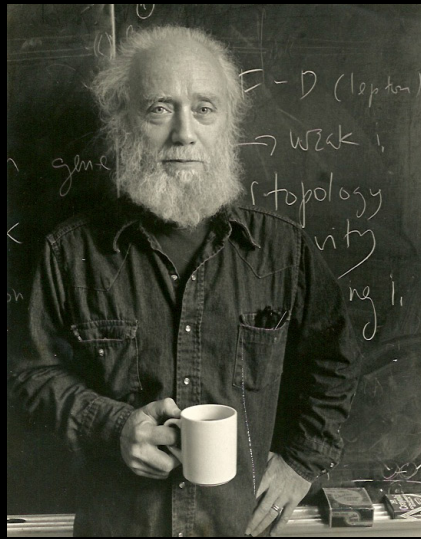
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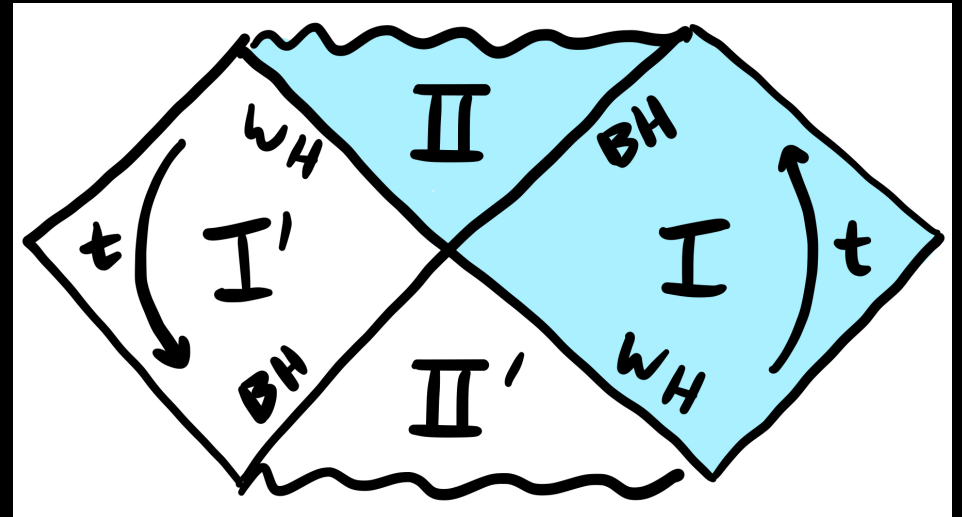
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Euclidean Schwarzschild Metric (Gibbons-Hawking, 1977)

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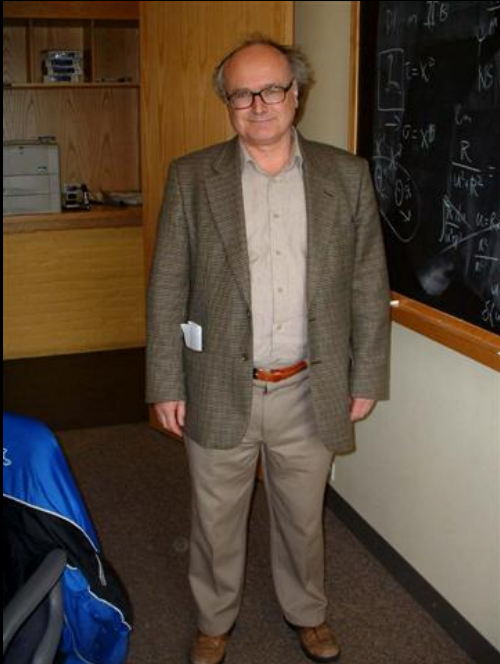
Action integrals and partition functions in quantum gravity

G. W. Gibbons* and S. W. Hawking

Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, University of Cambridge, England

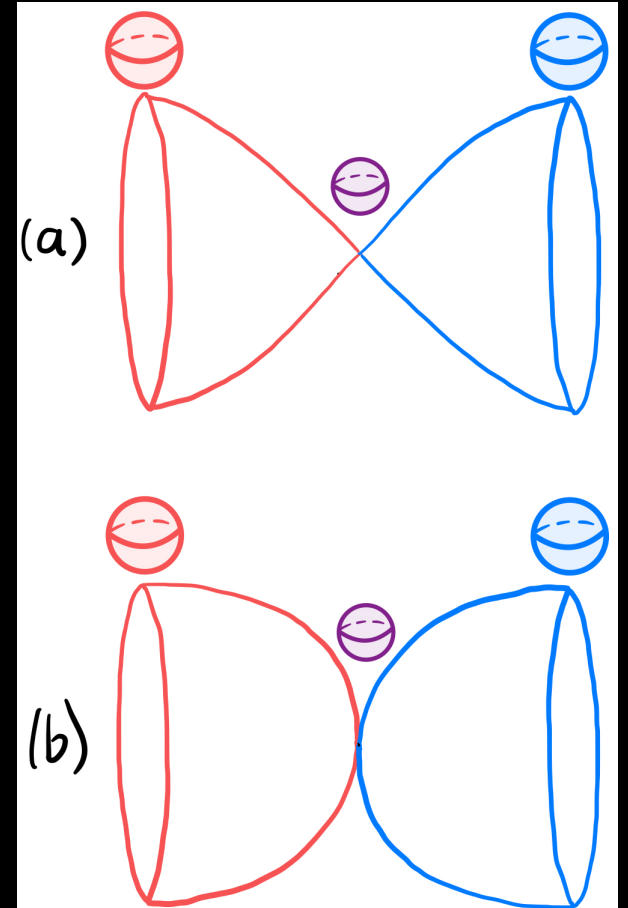
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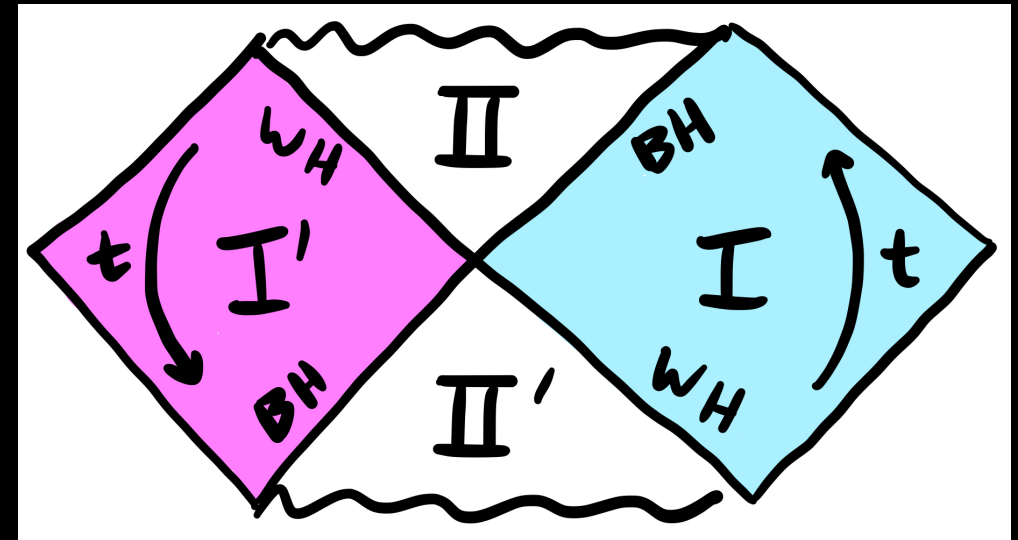
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The Black Mirror Solution

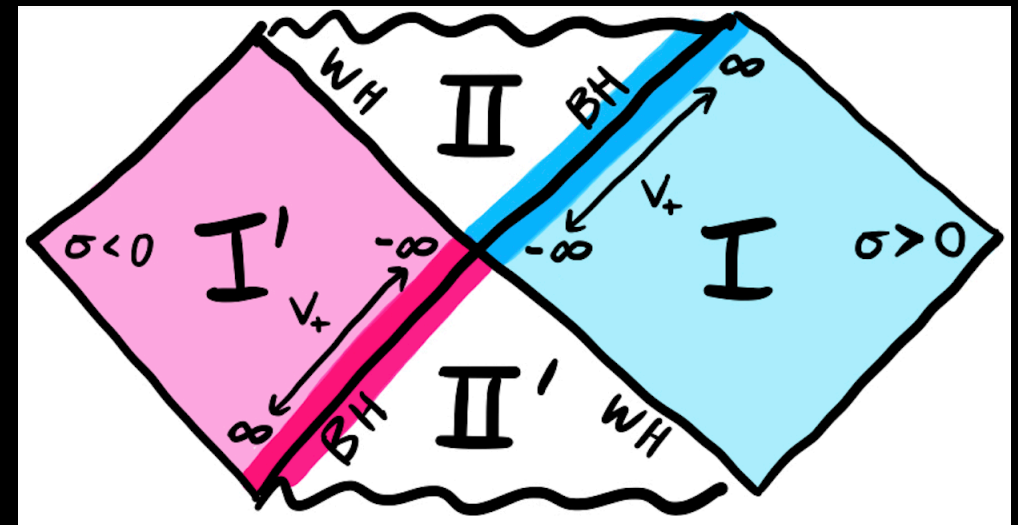
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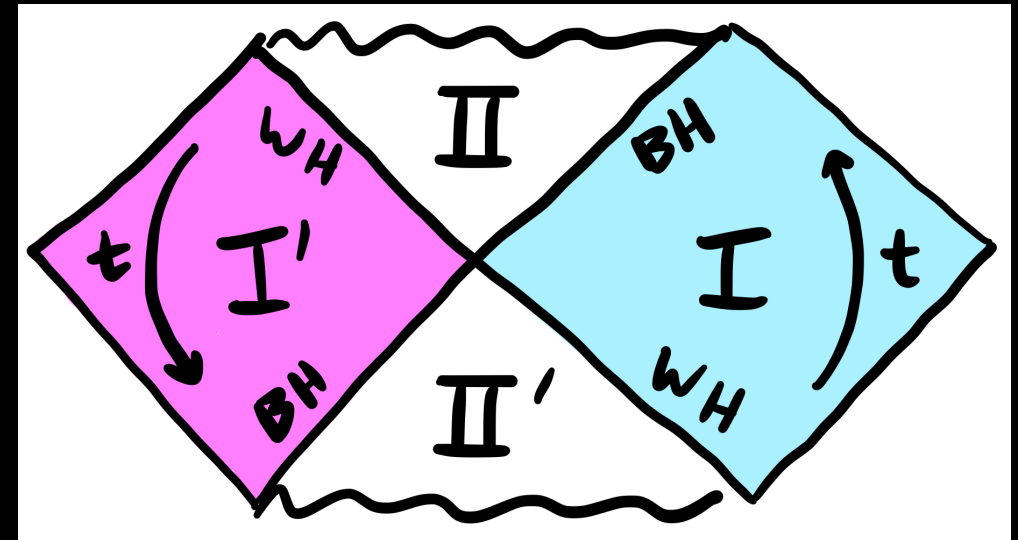
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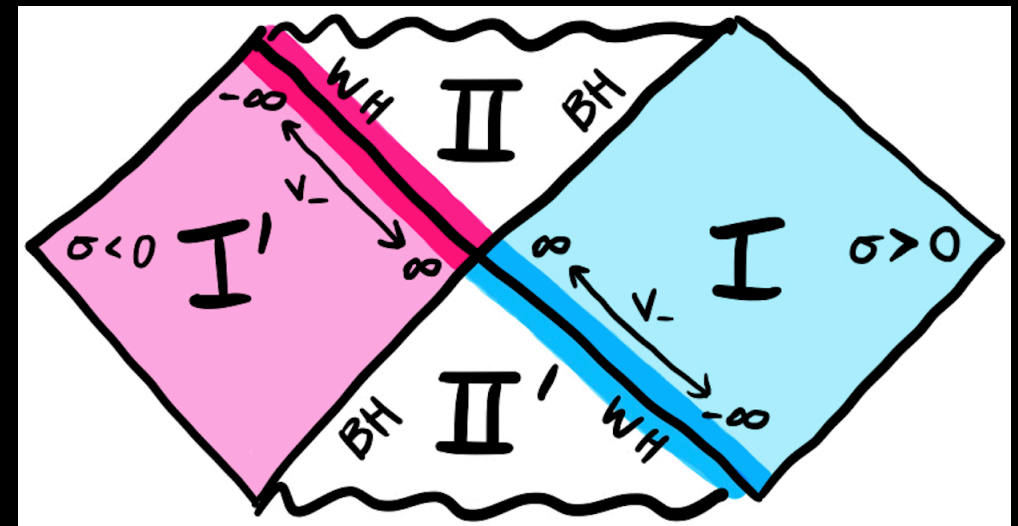
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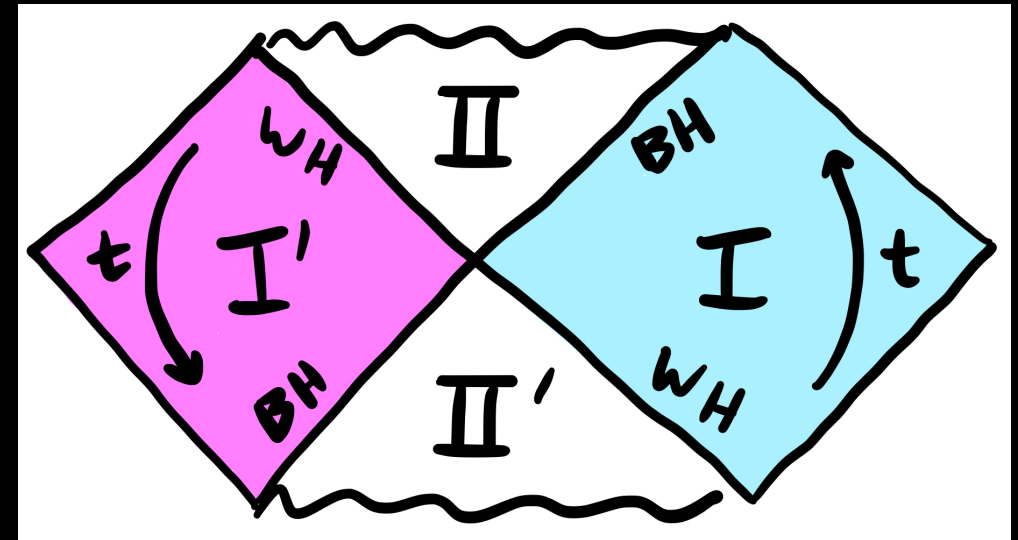
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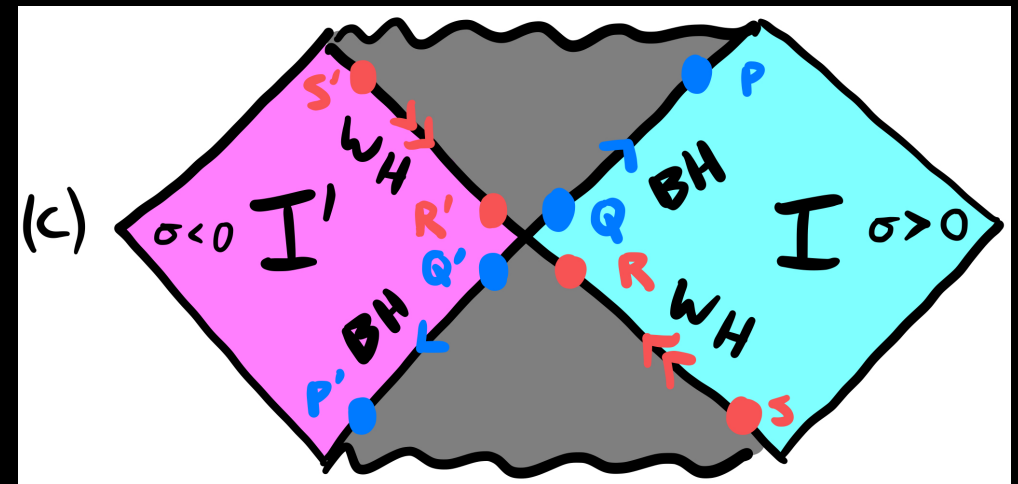
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$g_{\alpha\beta}$, $R^\alpha_{\beta\gamma\delta}$, all curvature invariants $R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$

are smooth, analytic, and finite

$R_{\mu\nu} = 0$ everywhere (vacuum solution)

But no free lunch!

$g_{\mu\nu}$ eigenvalues: holomorphic, two simple zeros

$g^{\mu\nu}$ eigenvalues: meromorphic, two simple poles

Matching surface (horizon) is a *Carrollian* geometry

The Charged, Rotating Black Mirror Solution

$$ds^2 = \tilde{\eta}_{ab} \tilde{e}^a \tilde{e}^b, \quad \tilde{\eta}_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{\Delta_r}{\rho^2} & \pm 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \pm 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F = -\frac{1}{\rho^4} [q_e (r^2 - a^2 \cos^2 \theta) + 2q_m r a \cos \theta] \tilde{e}^0 \wedge \tilde{e}^1 \\ + \frac{1}{\rho^4} [q_m (r^2 - a^2 \cos^2 \theta) - 2q_e r a \cos \theta] \tilde{e}^2 \wedge \tilde{e}^3$$

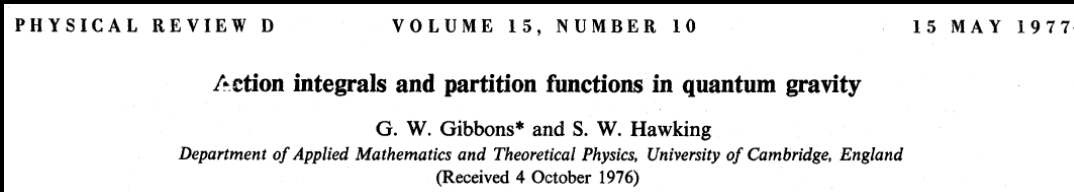
$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{e}^0 &= dv - \frac{a \sin^2 \theta}{\Xi} d\hat{\phi} \\ \tilde{e}^1 &= dr \\ \tilde{e}^2 &= \frac{\rho}{\Delta_\theta^{1/2}} d\theta \\ \tilde{e}^3 &= \frac{\Delta_\theta^{1/2} \sin \theta}{\rho} (a dv - \frac{r^2 + a^2}{\Xi} d\hat{\phi}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta_\theta \equiv 1 - \frac{a^2}{\ell^2} \cos^2 \theta, \quad \Delta_r \equiv (r^2 + a^2) \left(1 + \frac{r^2}{\ell^2} \right) - 2mr + q^2$$

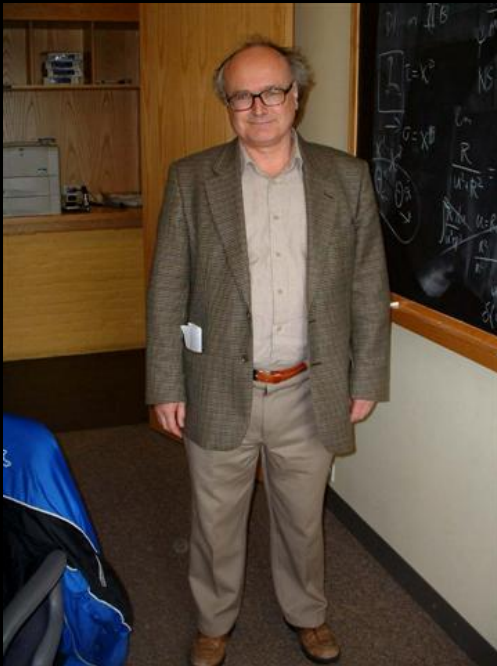
$$\rho^2 \equiv r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta, \quad \Xi \equiv 1 - \frac{a^2}{\ell^2}$$

$$r(\sigma) = r_+ + \sigma^2$$

Vanishing entropy on full space \rightarrow pure state
Non-vanishing entropy on half-space \rightarrow entanglement entropy

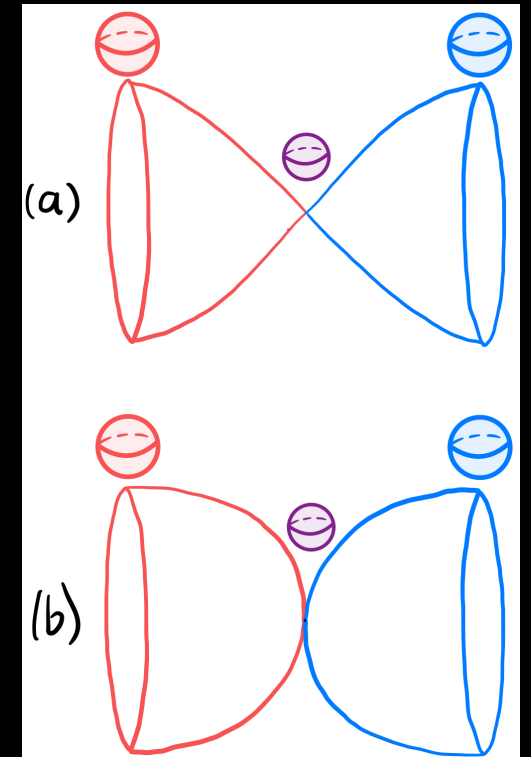


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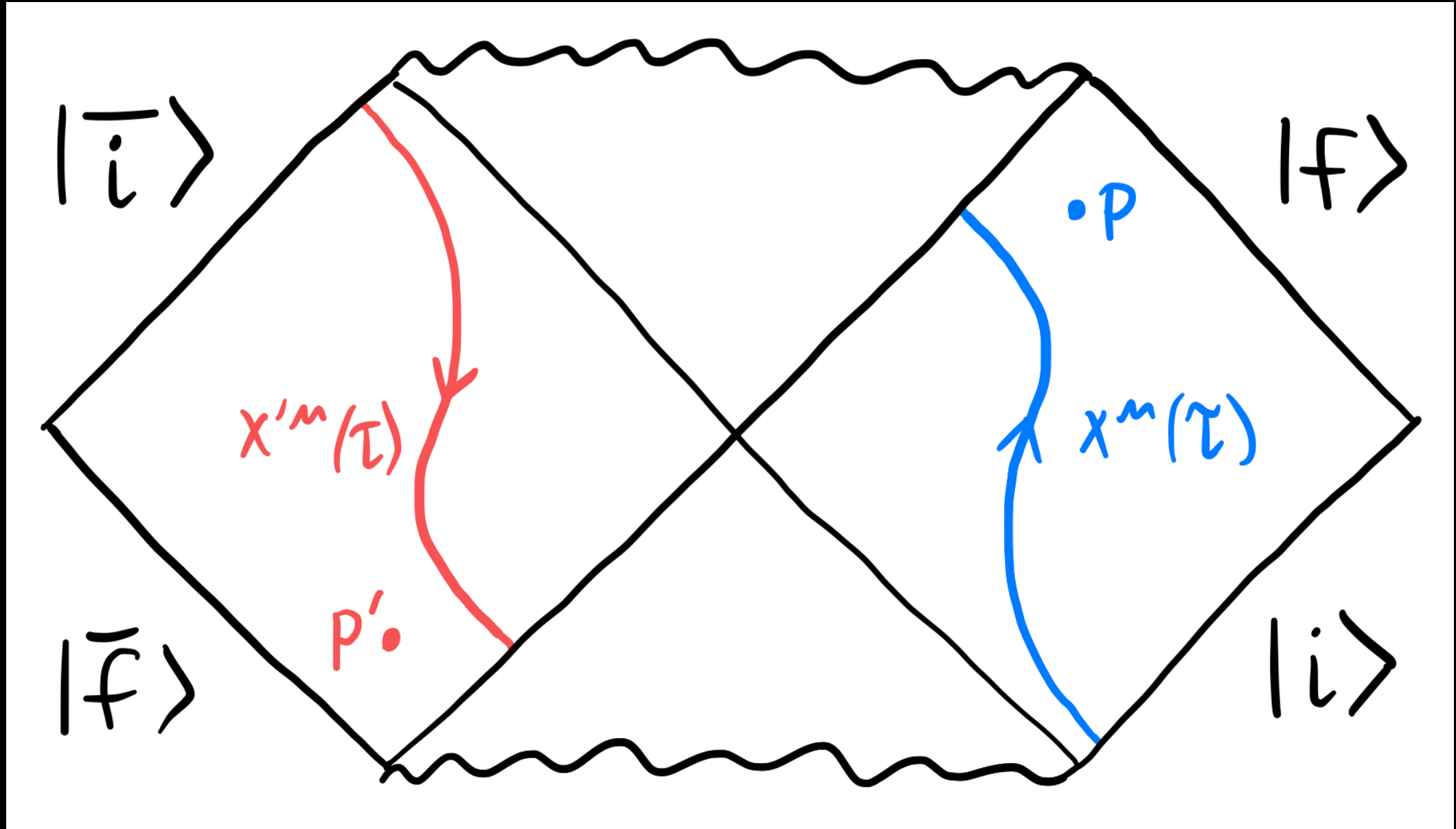


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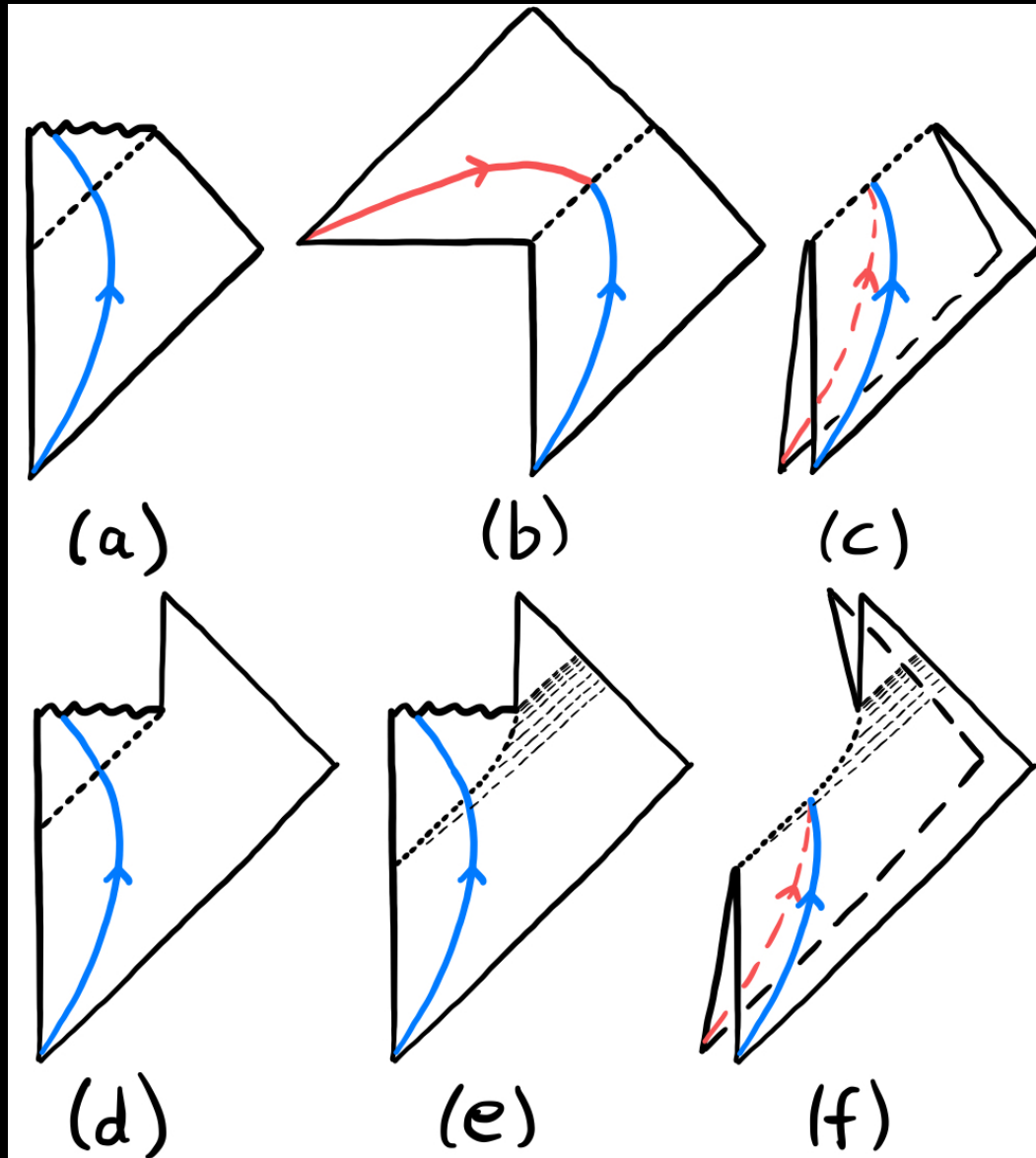
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The Black Mirror Solution From CPT-symmetric b.c.'s



The Black Mirror Solution



dynamical collapse

and evaporation

A U/\bar{U} pair?

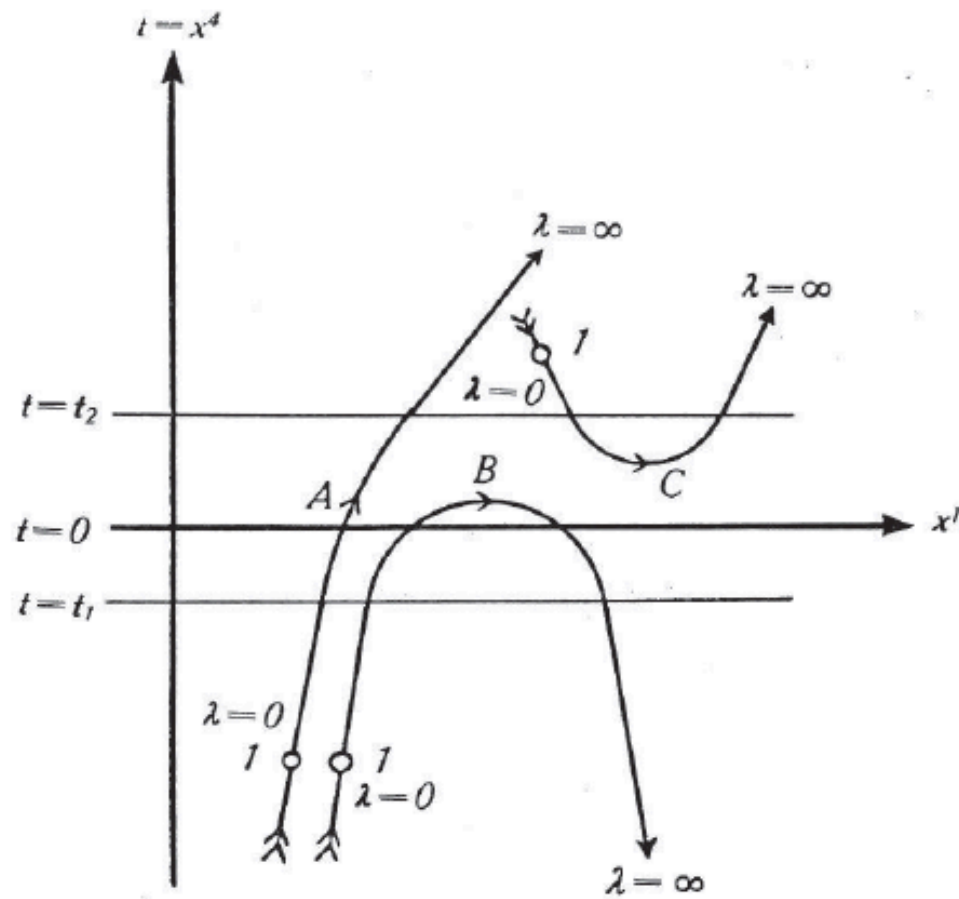
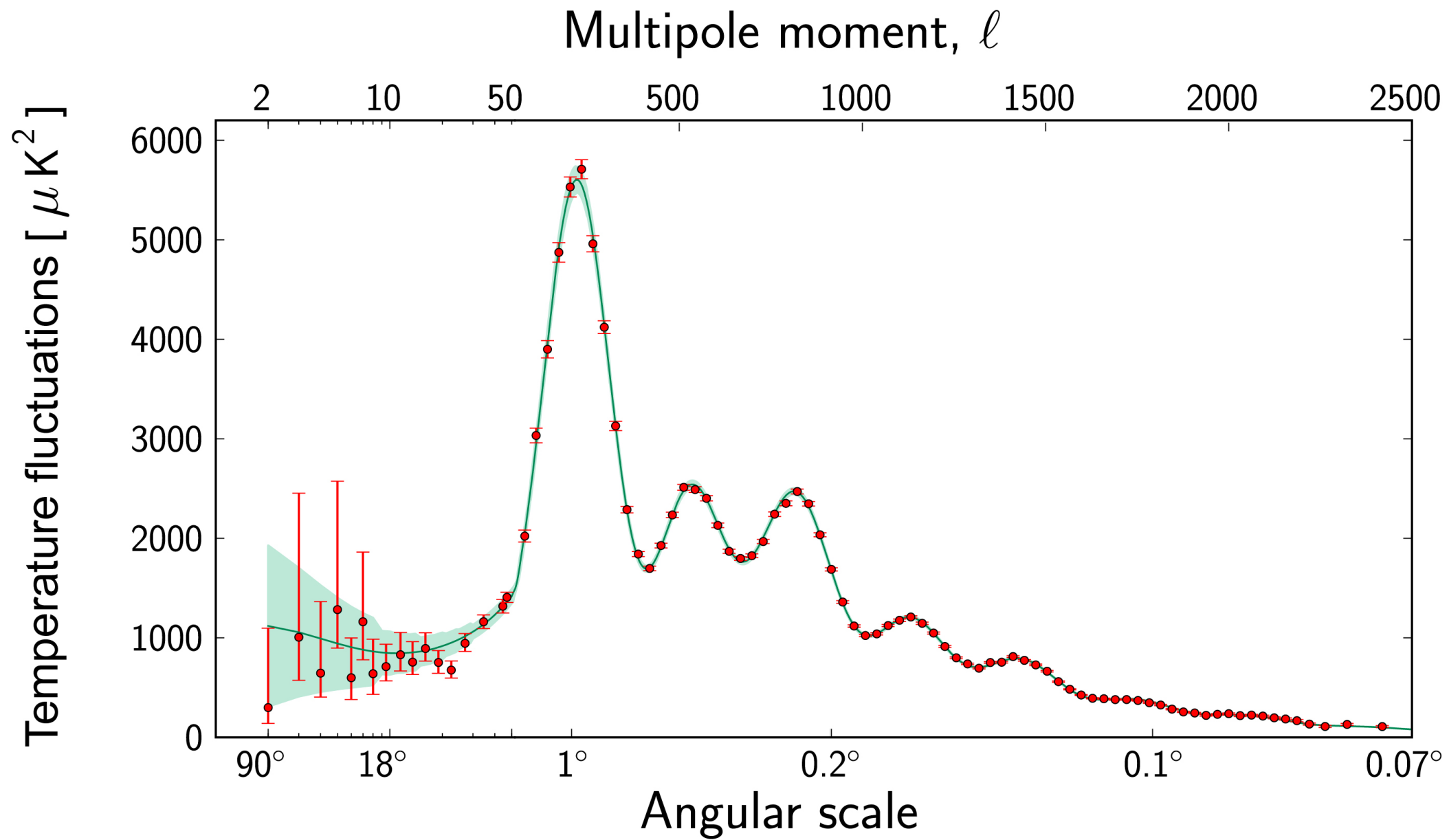
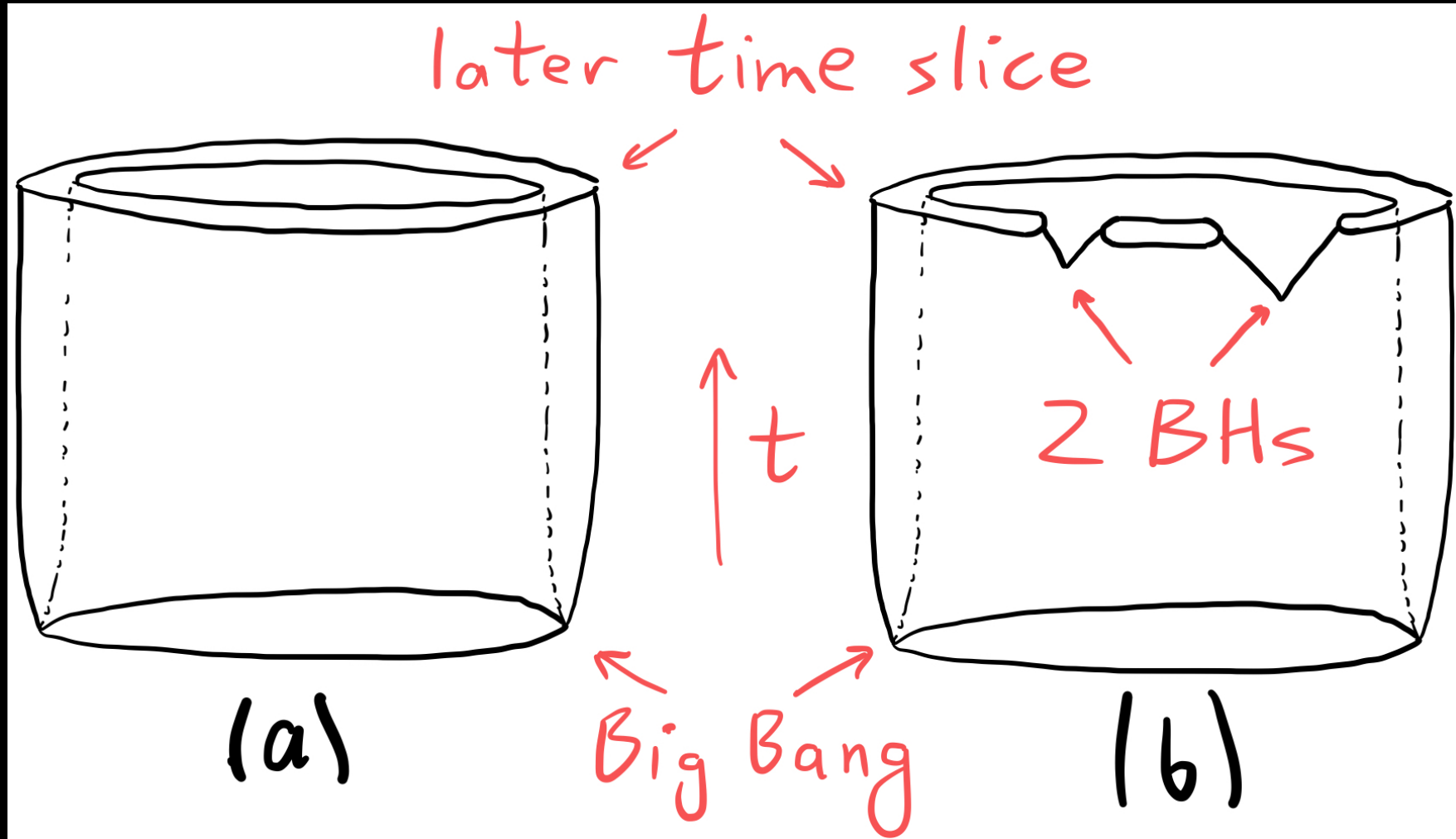


Fig. 1.

(Stueckelberg, 1941)



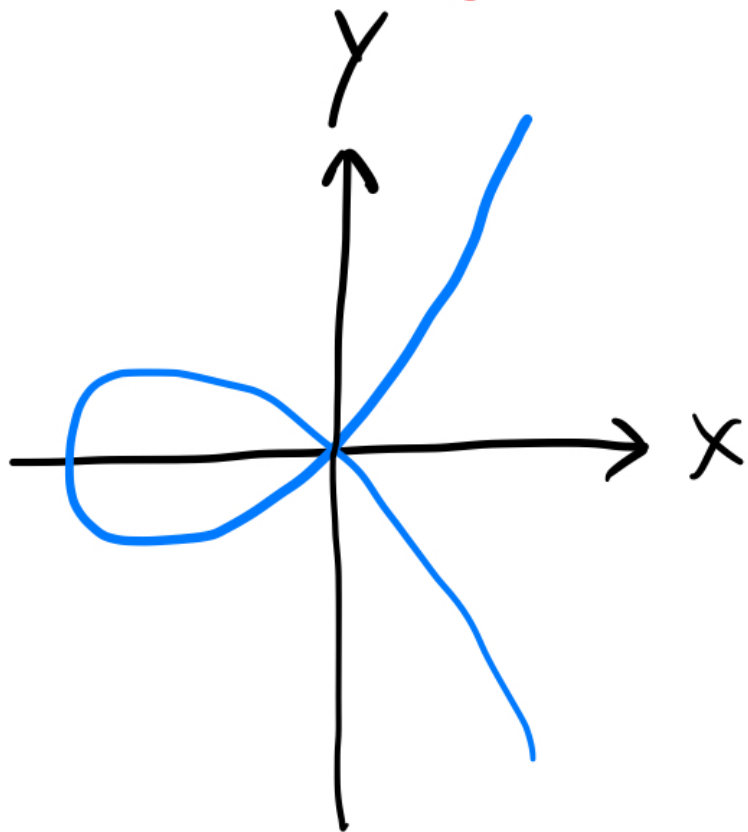
The Black Mirror Solution From Cosmology



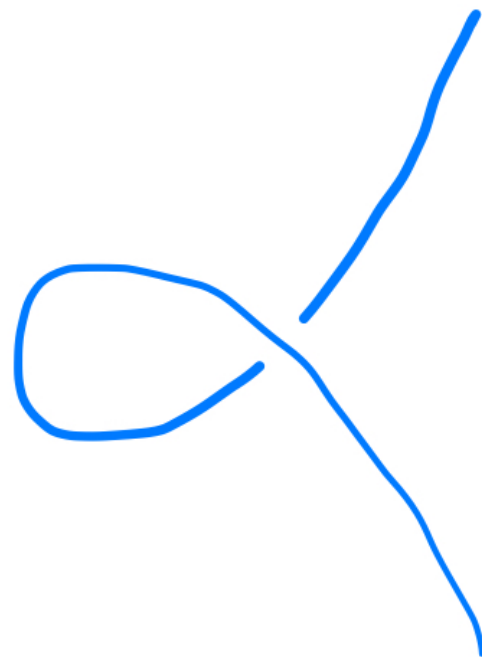
Algebraic
variety



Blow-up
(Hironaka)



$$y^2 = x^2 + x^3$$



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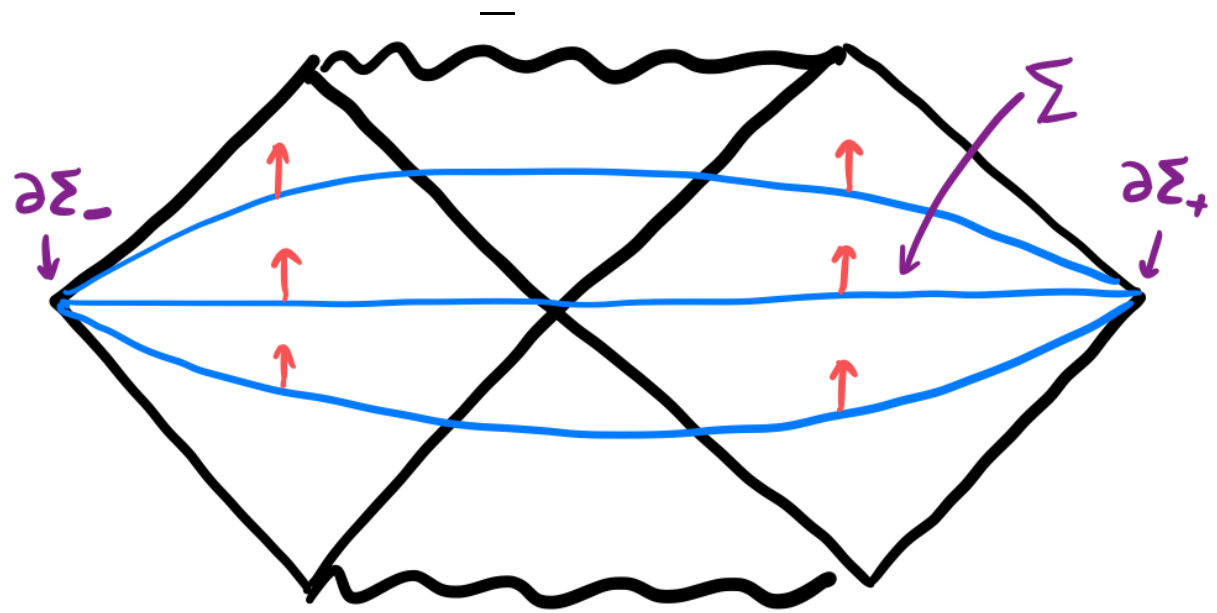
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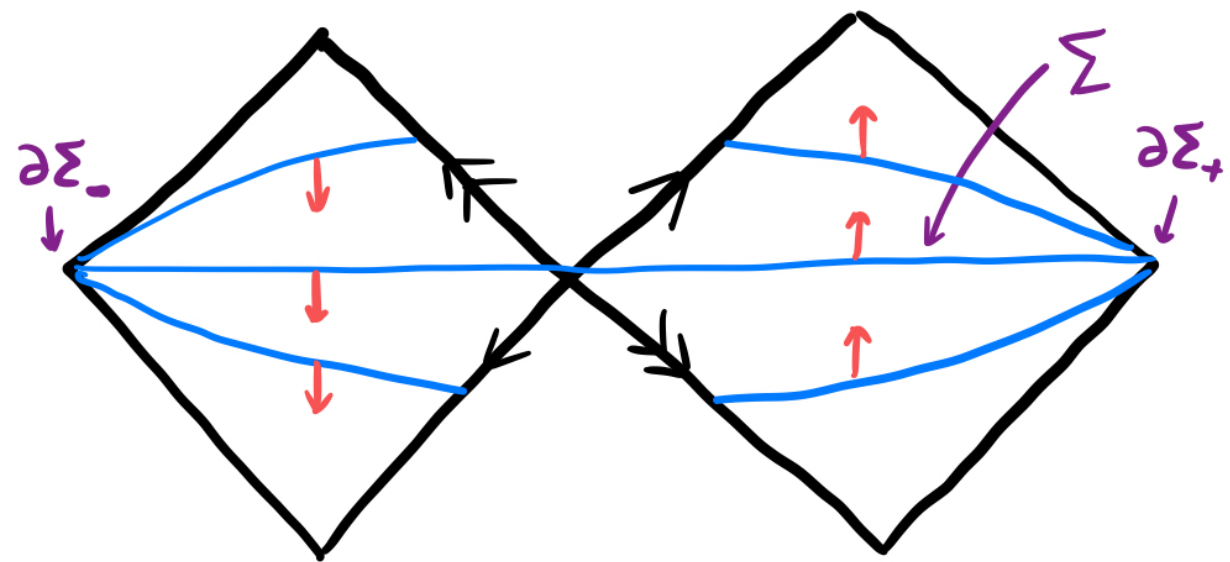
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Thank you for listening!

(a)



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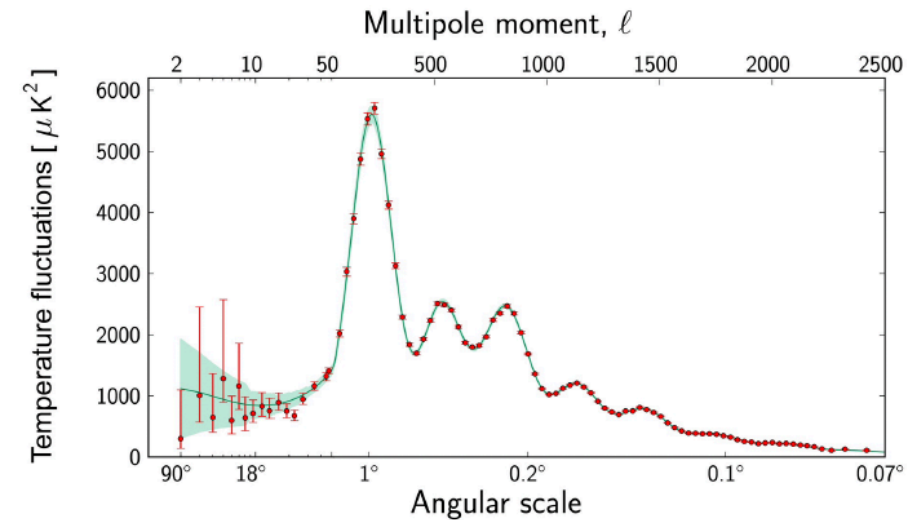


Primordial Perturbations

$a(\tau)$

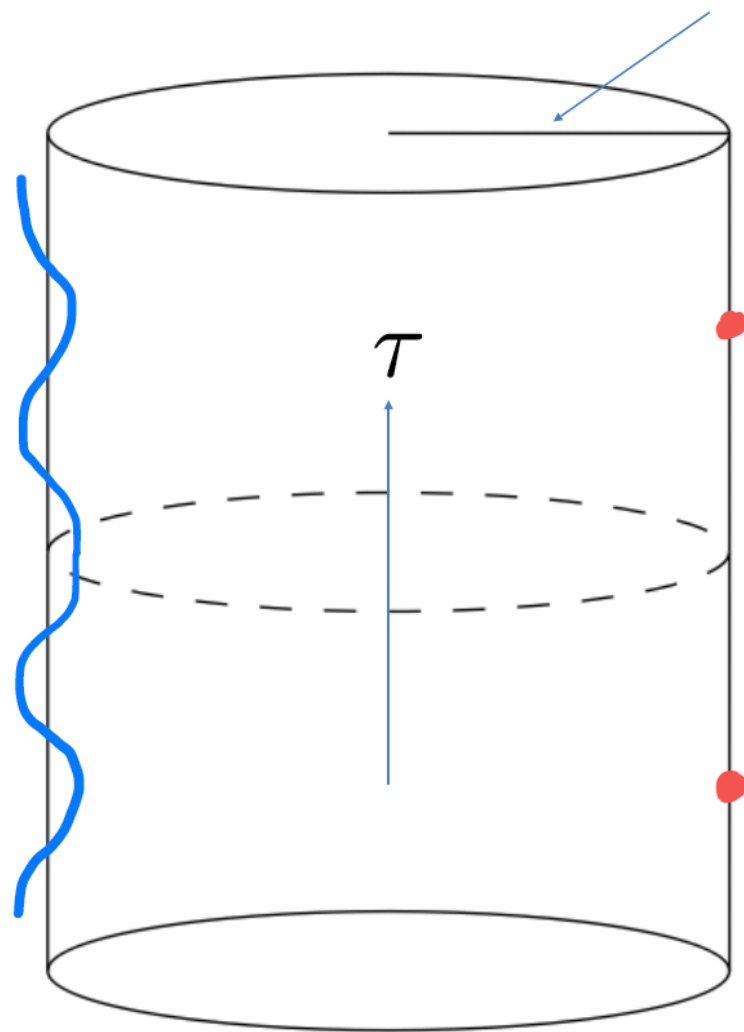
Explains:

1) "Ringing" CMB spectrum:



2) No primordial vorticity
3) No singular perturbations

The Big Bang
is a
Mirror!



Standard Model of Elementary Particles

three generations of matter (fermions)						interactions / force carriers (bosons)	
I		II		III			
mass	$\approx 2.16 \text{ MeV}/c^2$		$\approx 1.273 \text{ GeV}/c^2$		$\approx 172.57 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	$\approx 125.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
charge	$\frac{2}{3}$		$\frac{2}{3}$		$\frac{2}{3}$	0	0
spin	$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
QUARKS	u up		c charm		t top	g gluon	H higgs
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	$-\frac{1}{3}$		$-\frac{1}{3}$		$-\frac{1}{3}$	0	
	$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
	d down		s strange		b bottom	γ photon	
LEPTONS	$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$		$\approx 105.66 \text{ MeV}/c^2$		$\approx 1.77693 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 91.188 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
	-1		-1		-1	0	
	$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$		$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
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GAUGE BOSONS VECTOR BOSONS				SCALAR BOSONS

Dark Matter

Predictions:

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1) $m_{DM} = 4.8 \times 10^8 \text{ GeV} \approx 5 \times 10^8 m_{\text{proton}}$

2) Dark matter is cold

3) lightest neutrino is massless

★ just confirmed by DESI! ★

4) neutrinoless double beta decay rate
(still a decade or two away)

5) no primordial gravitational waves
(in contrast to inflation,
tested by CMB polarization expts.)

- Dark matter radiated from Big Bang
- Just like Hawking radiation from Black Hole

The gravitational entropy of the universe

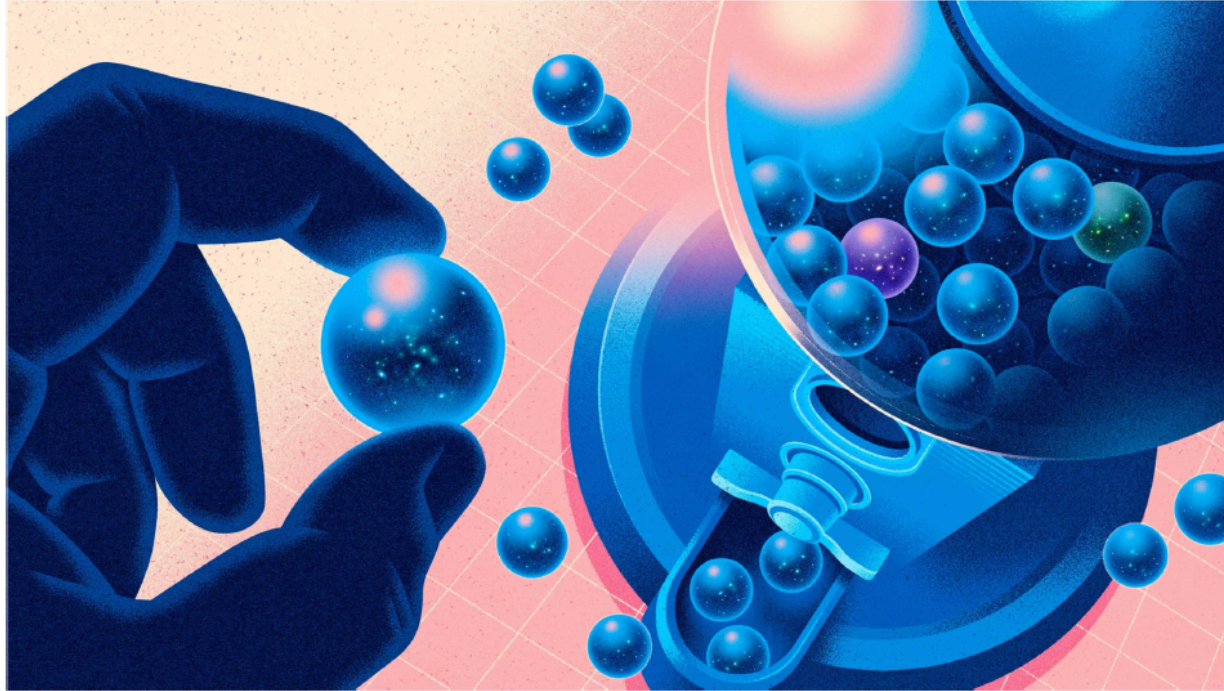
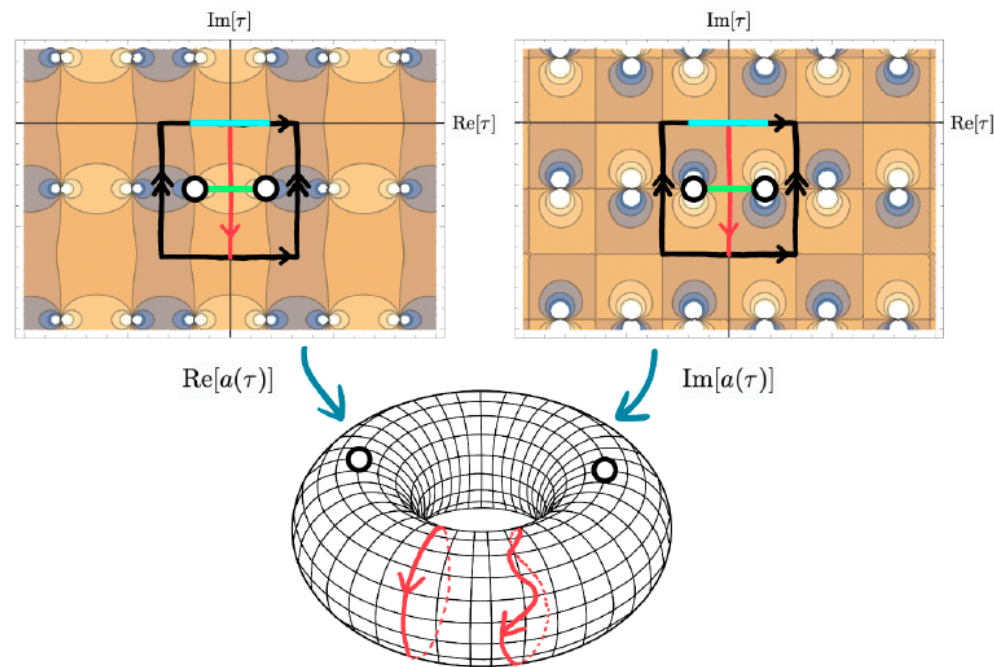


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Explains: cosmic flatness, homogeneity, isotropy,
and tiny positive cosmological constant

Step 1. Obtain general solution for the cosmic scale factor:

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \left(\frac{r}{a^4} + \frac{\mu}{a^3} + \lambda \right) - \frac{\kappa}{a^2}$$



Step 2. Obtain general formula for the *gravitational* entropy of an FRW universe:

Flat universes and tiny positive Lambda are favoured!

Step 3. Add cosmological perturbations
(small inhomogeneities and isotropies):

If the Big Bang is a mirror, these cost entropy!

Grav. entropy is largest for universes like ours:
homogeneous, isotropic and flat
(with tiny positive Λ)!

A measure on the
space of universes.

Arrow of Time

