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Conservative Physics and New Physics for the Quantised Black Hole

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What will the fundamental new principles be
in theories that would unify Einstein's
General Relativity with *Quantum Mechanics* ?

This would be the last major step for unifying physics.

I advocate an approach that keeps our basic steps as small as possible.

Approach: first ensure that the collapsed state – a black hole – is described such that it agrees with what most people would call *common sense*.

Observation: this can be done, but there are still obscure features that have to be clarified. In the mean time, we learn a lot.

For instance: *string theory does not give the right answers* – or rather: is *not fool-proof*.

There are **3 pieces of insight** that are absolutely essential for understanding the quantum black hole.

Two of these are merely consequences of good old, known physics and should be difficult to deny, but not noticing them leads to errors . . .

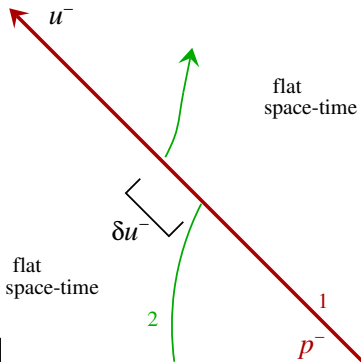
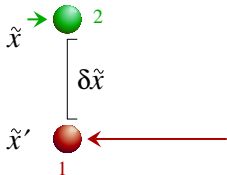
The third could be called new physics, but is almost inevitable.

But most investigators ignore these facts, while ignoring any one of my 3 observations leads to misunderstanding and confusion.

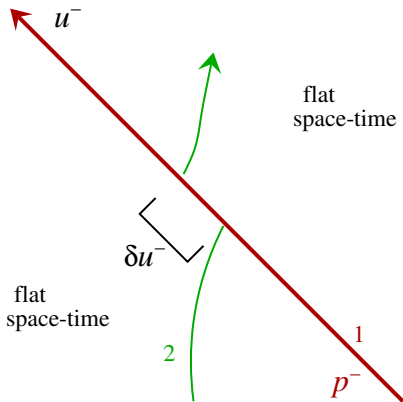
1, good old physics: The gravitational back-reaction:

Calculate the *Shapiro time delay* caused by the gravitational field of a fast moving particle: apply Lorentz boost to the field of a

particle at rest: let $m_0 \rightarrow 0$, $v \rightarrow c$, $p = \frac{m_0 v}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$ fixed.



$$\delta u^-(\tilde{x}) = -4G p^-(\tilde{x}') \log |\delta \tilde{x}| .$$

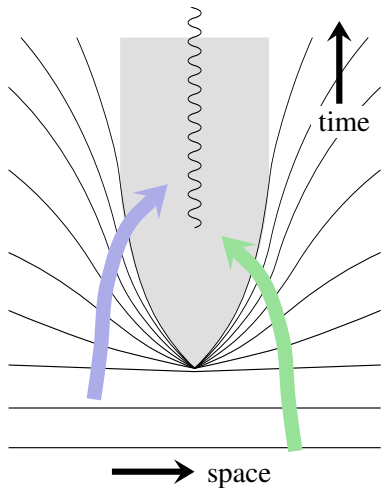


the geodesic of **particle #2** is broken because space-time is curved

(the two flat pieces are glued together with an \tilde{x} -dependent shift δu^-),

but we may also do as if **particle #1** drags **particle #2** along.

Then we can apply quantum mechanics as if space and time were still flat.

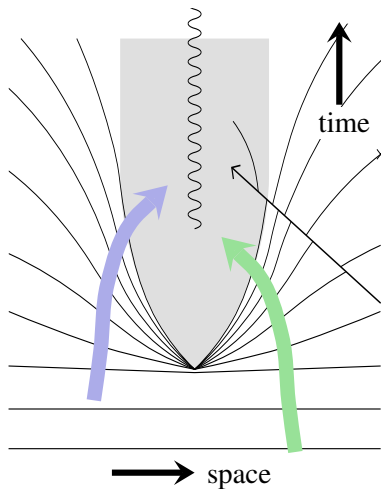


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How to avoid doing this wrong? Easy. This is my

observation # 2 (plane old physics):

Just notice that the math simplifies enormously if you expand the in-going momentum $p^-(\theta, \varphi)$ and the shifts of the out-going particles, $u^-(\theta, \varphi)$ in **spherical harmonics**, $Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \varphi)$.

Let $\Omega = (\theta, \varphi)$,

$$u^\pm(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell, m} u_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\Omega) , \quad p^\pm(\Omega) = \sum_{\ell, m} p_{\ell m}^\pm Y_{\ell m}(\Omega) .$$

$$[u^\pm(\Omega), p^\mp(\Omega')] = i\delta^2(\Omega, \Omega') , \quad [u_{\ell m}^\pm, p_{\ell' m'}^\mp] = i\delta_{\ell\ell'}\delta_{mm'} ;$$

$$u_{\text{out}}^- = \frac{8\pi G}{\ell^2 + \ell + 1} p_{\text{in}}^- , \quad u_{\text{in}}^+ = -\frac{8\pi G}{\ell^2 + \ell + 1} p_{\text{out}}^+ ,$$

$p_{\ell m}^\pm$ = total momentum in of in^{out} -particles in (ℓ, m) -wave ,

$u_{\ell m}^\pm$ = (ℓ, m) -component of c.m. position of in^{out} -particles .

Use:
$$\psi(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dp e^{-ip} \hat{\psi}(p) ,$$

when going from u^\pm basis to p^\mp basis and back. Note that this mixes positive and negative values for the light cone coordinates u^\pm , so that regions *I* and *II* get quantum mechanically mixed, only then the Fourier transform is unitary.

Observe: **we have a single quantum variable u**
and its associated momentum p at every ℓ, m .

Different (ℓ, m) values decouple (only secondary, higher order effects might mix different ℓ and m).

And then you discover that still something is not yet right:

The 'footprint' drags some out-particles to a place inside the hole.

There, the footprint cannot be observed.

The math works such that the information seems to re-appear intact, *but in the other black hole!*

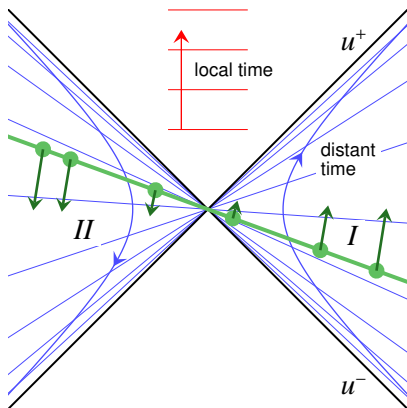
Particles in one black hole are *quantum mechanically entangled* with those of the other.

Therefore, some investigators propose that we have to consider entangled pairs of holes.

This would **not** unify them with ordinary forms of matter.
and it is wrong: the grav. back reaction causes
non-local interactions between these 2 black holes.

There is a much better solution!

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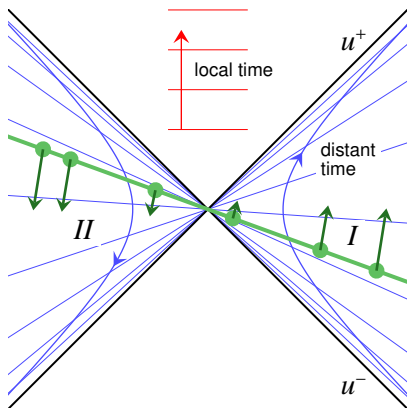


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Region II is the *other side*, or 'antipode of region I'.

However, time there runs backwards.

Black emptiness: blue regions are the accessible part of space-time; dotted lines indicate identification.

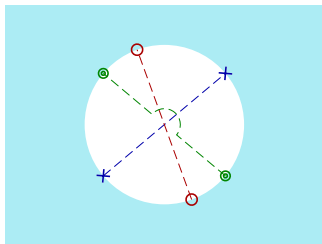
The white sphere within is *not* part of space-time. Call it a 'vacuole'.

At given time t , the black hole is a 3-dimensional vacuole. The entire life cycle of a black hole is a vacuole in 4-d Minkowski space-time.

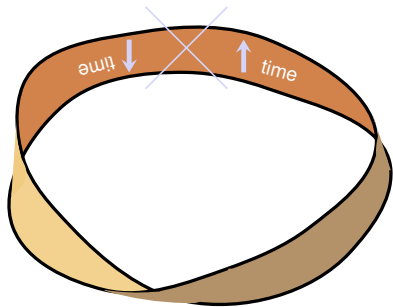
Space coordinates change sign at the identified points

– *and also time changes sign*

(Time stands still at the horizon itself).



A timelike Möbius strip



Draw a spacelike closed curve:

Begin on the horizon at a point $r_0 = 2GM$, $t_0 = 0$, (θ_0, φ_0) .

Move to larger r values, then travel to the antipode:

$r_0 = 2GM$, $t_0 = 0$, $(\pi - \theta_0, \varphi_0 + \pi)$.

You arrive at the same point, so the (space-like) curve is closed.

Now look at the environment $\{dx\}$ of this curve. Continuously transport dx around the curve. The identification at the horizon demands

$$dx \leftrightarrow -dx, \quad dt \leftrightarrow -dt, .$$

So this is a Möbius strip, in particular in the time direction.

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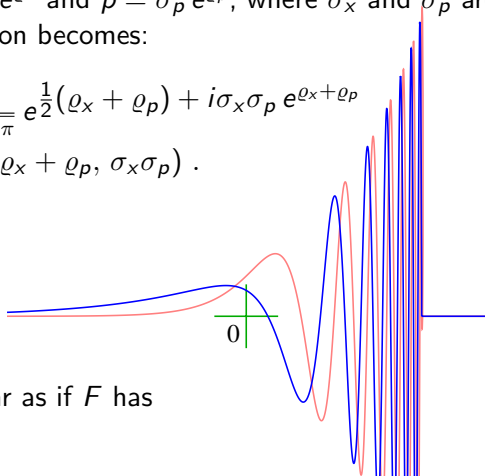
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$F(x, +)$:



In practice it will appear as if F has a finite support.

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