

Gravity, quantum and blackholes

Hawking's journey through spacetime

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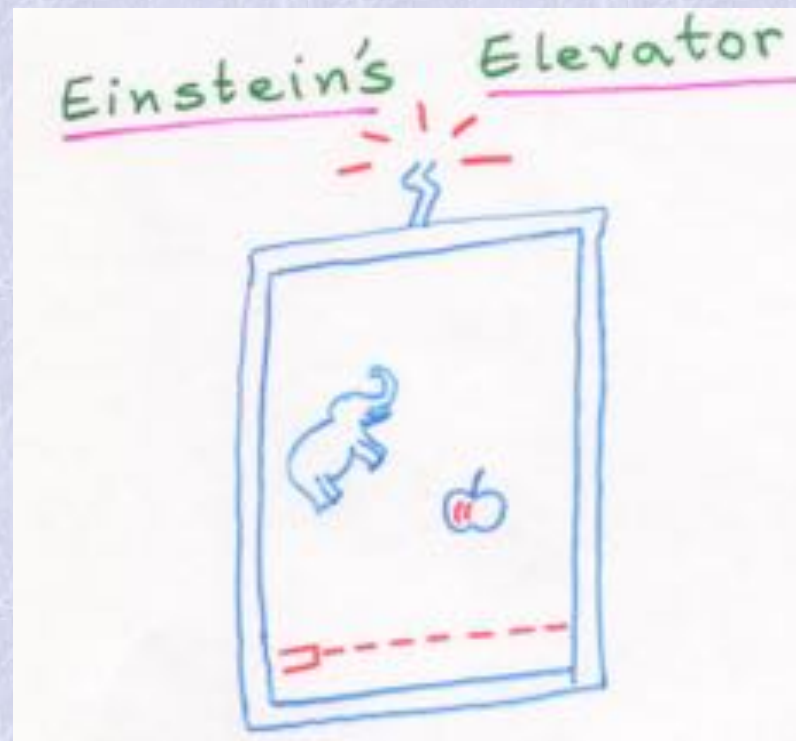
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1 Overview

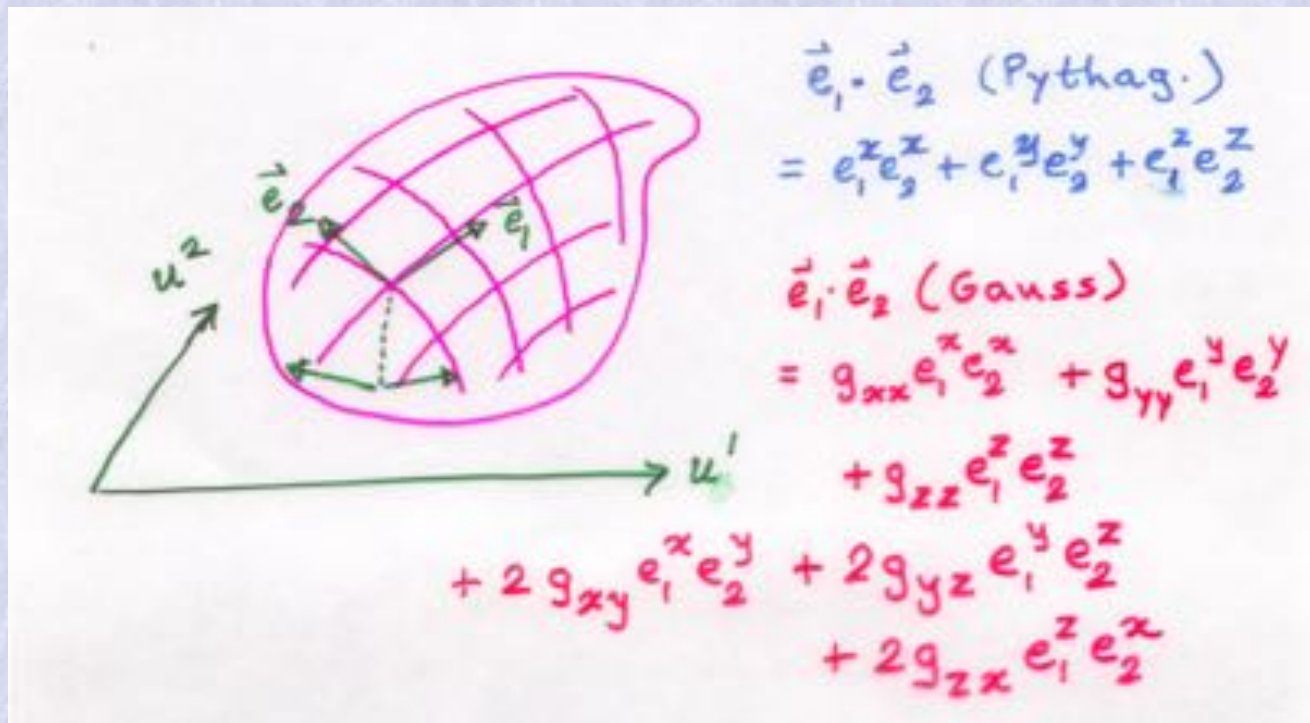
- From “space-time” to spacetime
- Inevitability of the fall ... or the bang
- Quantum Mechanics – seamless spacetime
- Some glimpses

2 From space-time to spacetime (J A Wheeler)

Principle of Equivalence



The metric tensor, the local lightcone, and the geodesic



Curvature and energy-momentum

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma;\lambda} + R_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho;\sigma} + R_{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda;\rho} = 0$$

Compare Maxwell's Equations

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = 4\pi j^\nu$$

$$F_{\mu\nu,\rho} + F_{\rho\mu,\nu} + F_{\nu\rho,\mu} = 0$$

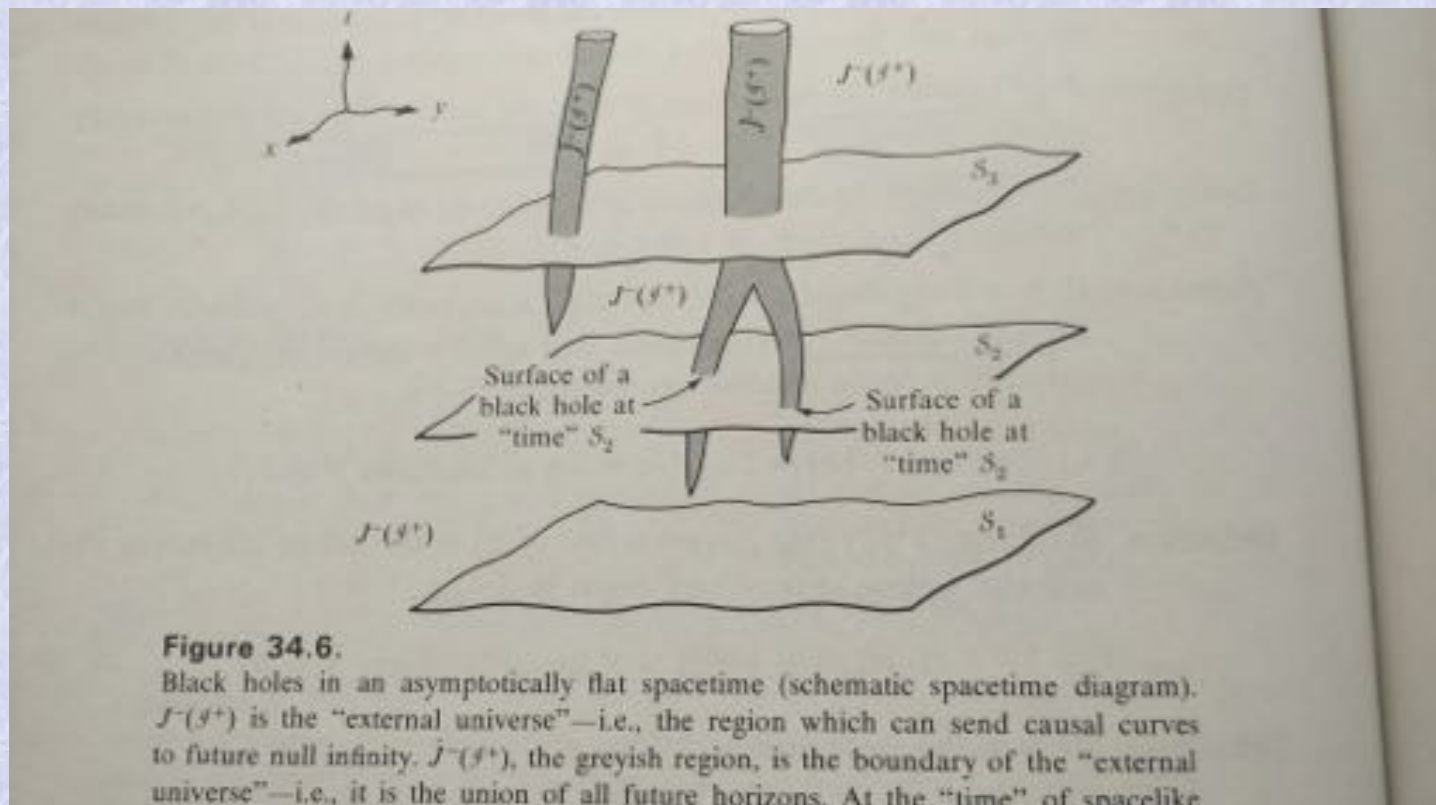


- “The boundary of a boundary is zero” is all that is ensured.
- Energy-momentum and geometry are determined through mutual dynamics.

- Neither is energy guaranteed to be positive, nor is spacetime geometry guaranteed to remain free of singularities.
- Hawking Penrose theorems declared inevitability of singularities and helped us accept the Big Bang singularity at classical level.
- Solution to be sought in quantum version of General Relativity.

3 The inevitability of the fall

Theorems of Hawking and Penrose



The energy condition

A spacetime M necessarily contains incomplete, inextendable timelike or null geodesics (and is thus singular in the Schmidt sense) if, in addition to Einstein's equations, the following four conditions hold: (1) M contains no closed timelike curves (reasonable causality condition); (2) at each event in M and for each unit timelike vector u , the stress-energy tensor satisfies

$$\left(T_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\alpha\beta}T\right)u^\alpha u^\beta \geq 0$$

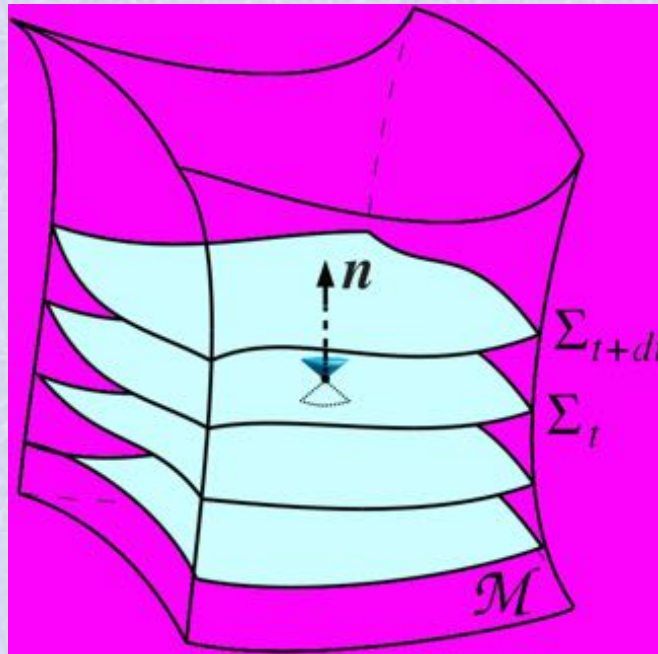
(reasonable energy condition); (3) the manifold is "general" (i.e., not too highly symmetric) in the sense that every timelike or null geodesic with unit tangent u passes through at least one event where the curvature is not lined up with it in a specific way:

$$u_{[\alpha}R_{\beta]\gamma\delta\epsilon}u_{\rho]}u^\gamma u^\delta \neq 0 \text{ at some point on the geodesic.}$$

(4) the manifold contains a trapped surface.
These conditions, at least the trapped surface, seem eminently reasonable for

4 Quantum generating function

- Dynamical variables of gravity



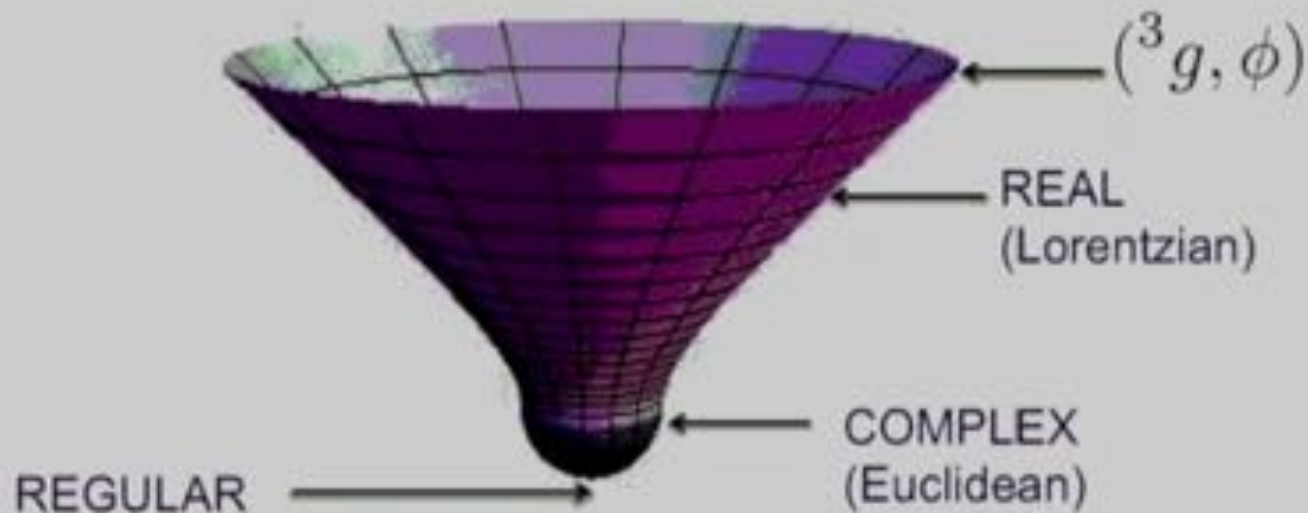
- From wave equation to Path integral

$$\langle q_{\text{out}}, t_{\text{out}} | q_{\text{in}}, t_{\text{in}} \rangle \approx \int \mathcal{D}q \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{\hbar} \int_{q_{\text{in}}, t_{\text{in}}}^{q_{\text{out}}, t_{\text{out}}} dt (p\dot{q} - H) \right\}$$

- Correlation functions and partition function
- The question of time
- Doing away with the boundary

No-Boundary State

Hartle, Hawking 1983



$$\Psi_{HH}[^3g, \phi] \approx \exp(-I_E[^3g, \phi]/\hbar)$$

Courtesy Hertog

5 Glimpses

- University of Texas at Austin colloquium 1983 (?)
- Strings conference TIFR 2000

- M Theory Cosmology – “Intergalactic Conference” at Cambridge



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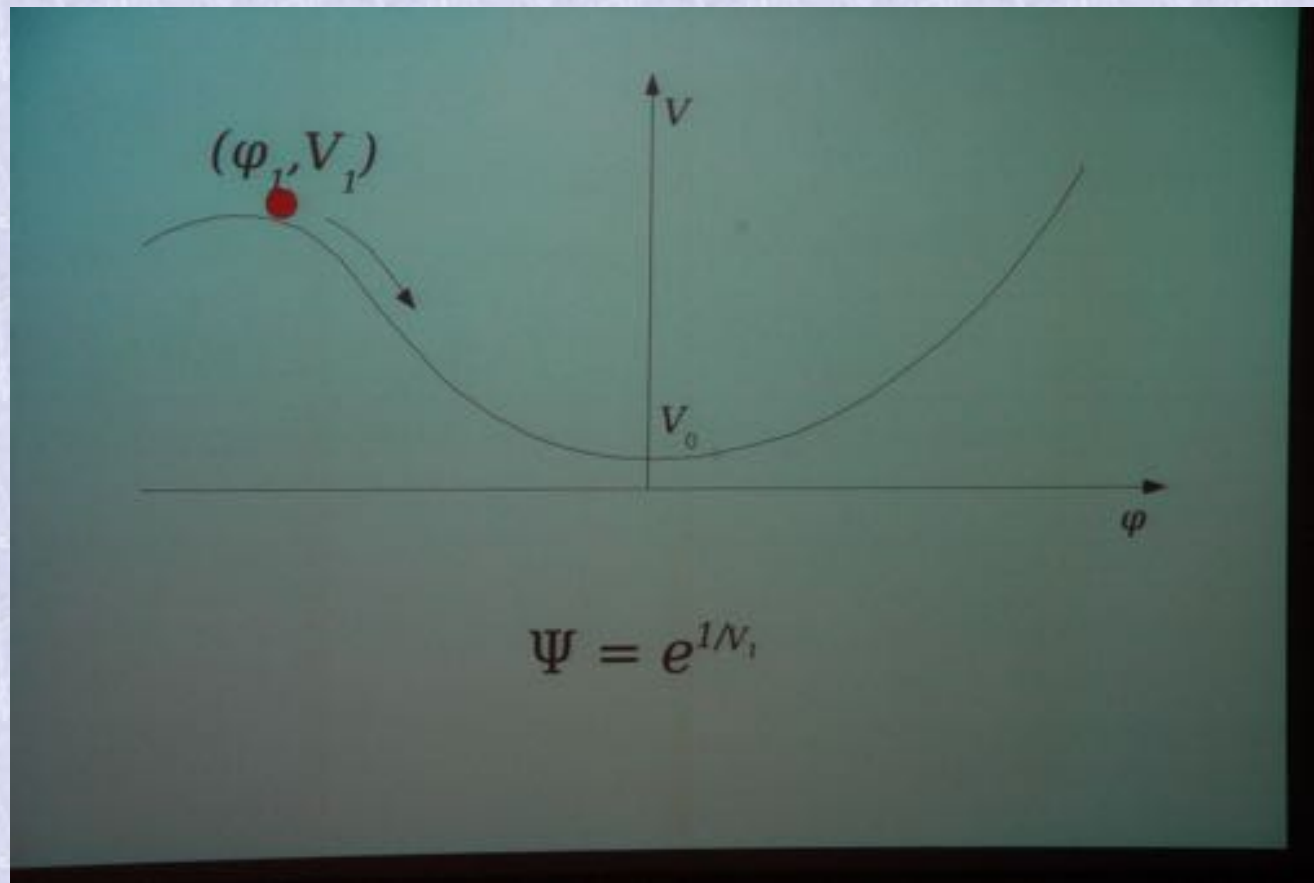
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Intergalactic Organizing Committee: M.A. Bucher, S.W. Hawking, F. Quevedo, N.G. Turok

- Cosmo conference CERN 2009



(courtesy UAY or Y Y Keum)





- Perimeter Institute October 2015

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