BLACK HOLES FROM THE MULTIVERSE

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Special features:

- A scaling distribution of PBH with a very wide spectrum of masses.
- BH larger than certain critical mass have inflating universes inside.
- For some parameter values, these BH can have significant observational effects.

First review some relevant features of inflation.

INFLATION

Guth (1981); Linde (1982)



Bubble nucleation

- Particle physics models generally include a number of scalar fields. Then the inflaton field rolls in a multifield energy landscape.
- As it rolls towards our vacuum, it can tunnel to another vacuum state.



Bubble nucleation

Coleman & De Luccia (1980)



Bubble nucleation

Time of nucleation $t = t_n$:

At
$$t > t_n$$
: $R \approx H_i^{-1} e^{H_i(t-t_n)}$

$$H_i = \left(8\pi G\rho_i / 3\right)^{1/2}$$



Scale-invariant size distribution:

$$dN \sim \lambda \frac{dR}{R^4} dV$$

Nucleation
rate

What happens to the bubbles when inflation ends?

1. Exterior view

Matter



Assume that matter particles are reflected from the bubble wall.

- The bubble wall initially expands relativistically relative to matter.
- It is quickly slowed down by particle scattering.
- An expanding relativistic shell of matter is formed.
 Similar to shocks in supernova explosions.



• The bubble collapses to a black hole.

2. Interior evolution of the bubble depends on its size.

Matter



For *subcritical bubbles*, with $R < H_b^{-1}$ an "ordinary" black hole forms.

$$M_{bh} \approx \frac{4\pi}{3} \rho_b R^3$$

$$H_b = (8\pi G \rho_b / 3)^{1/2}$$

2. Interior evolution of the bubble depends on its size.

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For *supercritical bubbles*, with $R > H_b^{-1}$ the interior begins to inflate:

 $H_b = (8\pi G \rho_b / 3)^{1/2}$

 $a(t) \propto \exp(H_b t)$

But the universe outside the bubble is expanding much slower.

How is this possible?



Black holes of mass $M > M_{cr} \sim \rho_b H_b^{-3}$ have inflating baby universes inside.

Global structure of spacetime

- The baby universes will inflate eternally.
- Bubbles of all possible vacua, including ours, will be formed.
- A multitude of inflating regions connected by wormholes.





Penrose diagram



- The wormhole closes in about a light crossing time.
- Some matter follows the bubble into the wormhole. Need numerical simulation to determine M_{bh} .

(work in progress)



BLACK HOLES FROM DOMAIN WALLS

Domain walls

Form when a discrete symmetry is broken.

Two degenerate vacua: $\varphi = \pm \eta$

$$\varphi = -\eta$$
 $\varphi = +\eta$



Mass per unit area: $\sigma \sim \eta^3$. Tension = σ



Wall gravity is repulsive

$$R_{\sigma} = (2\pi G\sigma)^{-1}$$

A.V. (1983) Ipser & Sikivie (1984)



Spherical walls of radius $R > R_{\sigma}$ inflate:

 $R(\tau) \propto \exp(\tau / R_{\sigma})$

Spherical domain walls of initial radius $R(t_n) = H_i^{-1}$ spontaneously nucleate during inflation.

 $R \approx H_i^{-1} e^{H_i(t-t_n)}$

Nucleation rate:
$$\lambda \sim \exp\left(-\frac{2\pi^2\sigma}{H_i^3}\right)$$

Scale-invariant size distribution:

$$dN \sim \lambda \ \frac{dR}{R^4} \ dV$$



Basu, Guth & A.V. (1991)

After inflation

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A supercritical wall reaches radius $R > R_{\sigma}$ before horizon crossing. It inflates in a baby universe.

Transition between the two regimes is at

$$M_{bh} = M_{cr} \sim 1/G^2 \sigma$$



Numerical simulation of supercritical collapse

Deng, Garriga & A.V. (2016)



Mass distribution of black holes

Fraction of dark matter mass in black holes of mass ~ M :

$$f(M) = \frac{M^2}{\rho_{DM}} \frac{dn}{dM}$$



$$M_{cr} \sim 1/G^2 \sigma$$

$$M_{eq} \sim 10^{17} M_{\odot}$$
 – mass within the horizon at t_{eq} .

Effect of quantum fluctuations on subcritical walls

Garriga & A.V. (1992)

 $B = \frac{2\pi^2 \sigma}{H_{\odot}^3}$





Quantum fluctuations have little effect on supercritical walls.

Mass distribution of black holes



- The spectrum has a universal shape with a cutoff at $\sim M_{cr}$.
- Normalization depends only on the wall nucleation rate.
- The critical mass:

For 100 *GeV* < η < 10¹⁶ *GeV*

we have $10 \ kg < M_{cr} < 10^{15} M_{\odot}$

• The BH are (almost) non-rotating at formation.

• A similar picture for nucleating bubbles.

A discovery of black holes with the predicted mass distribution would provide evidence for inflation – and for baby universes.

Garriga & Zhang (2017)

1-Gamma-ray background from BH evaporation with $M_{bh} \sim 10^{15} g$

2-CMB spectral distortions by radiation emitted by gas accretion onto BH with $M_{bh} \gtrsim 10^3 M_{\odot}$: 3-Overdensity bound : f(M) < 1



Supermassive black hole seeds: $M_{bh} > 10^3 M_{\odot}$

4 - At least one seed per galaxy.

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Consider some interesting parameter choices.

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Accounts for DM and SMBH with seeds of ~ $10^3 M_{solar}$.

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Summary

- Spherical domain walls and vacuum bubbles may nucleate during inflation, leading to the formation of primordial black holes with a universal power-law spectrum of masses.
- These black holes have inflating baby universes inside
- A discovery of black holes with the predicted distribution of masses would provide evidence for inflation – and for the existence of baby universes.
- They might act dark matter and as seeds for supermassive BH.
- They may have formed the binaries LIGO is currently observing. If so, they may also cause marginally detectable spectral distortions in the CMB, and seed SMBH.

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