



Black Hole Thermodynamics



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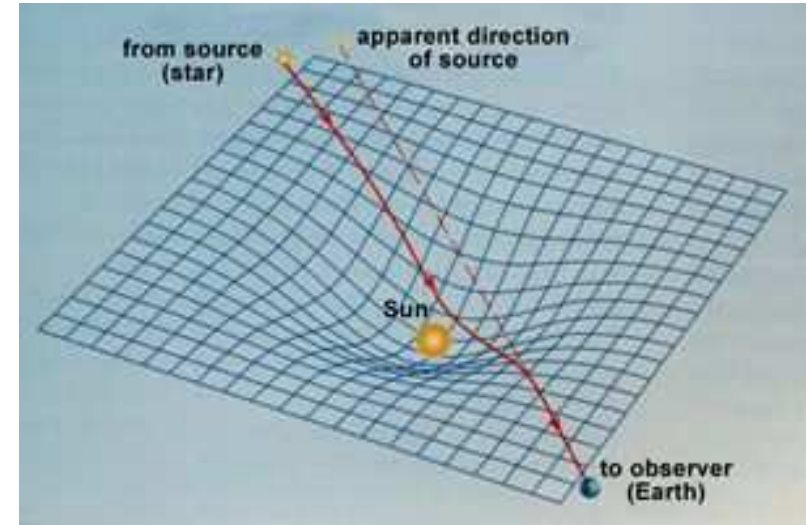
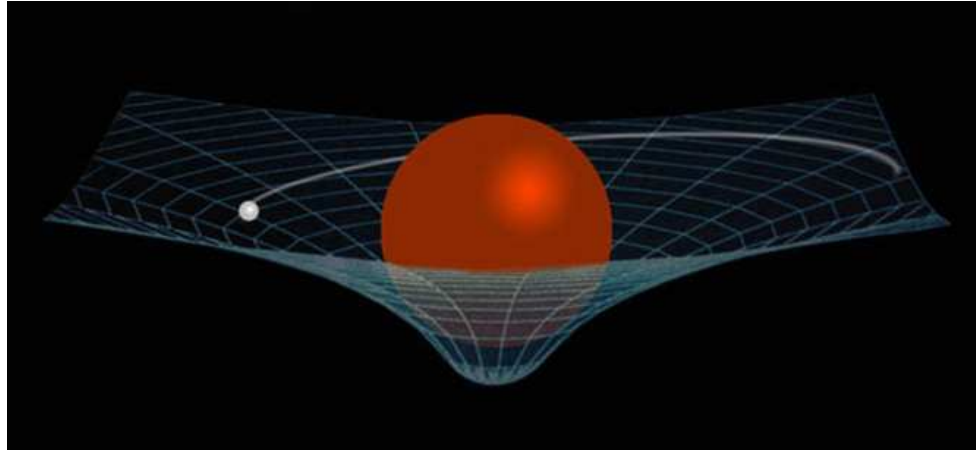
Main goal of this talk is to expose open issues ,
not to propose concrete solutions...

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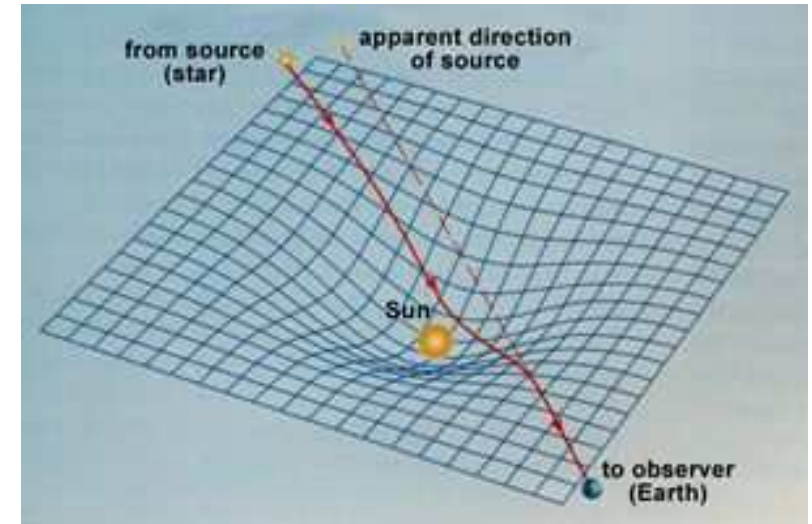
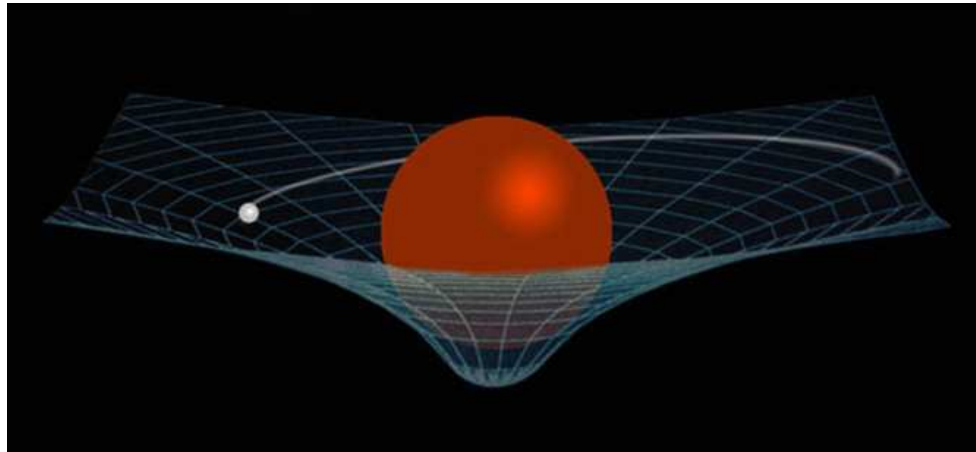


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- **Einstein equations:** relation between curvature and matter content

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R = -\kappa \left[F_{\mu\rho} F_{\nu}{}^{\rho} - \frac{1}{4} g_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\lambda} F^{\rho\lambda} \right] - \frac{\kappa m}{4\pi} u^{\mu} u^{\nu} \delta(x - x(\tau))$$

$$\nabla_{\mu} F^{\mu\nu} = q \dot{x}^{\nu} \delta(x - x(\tau))$$

$$m \left(\ddot{x}^{\rho} + \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\rho} \dot{x}^{\mu} \dot{x}^{\nu} \right) = q \dot{x}_{\mu} F^{\mu\rho}$$

→ system of $10 + N$ non-linear coupled 2nd order partial diff eqns
for $g_{\mu\nu}(x)$ and $A_{\mu}(x)$ and $x^{\mu}(\tau)$

→ in general extremely difficult to solve!

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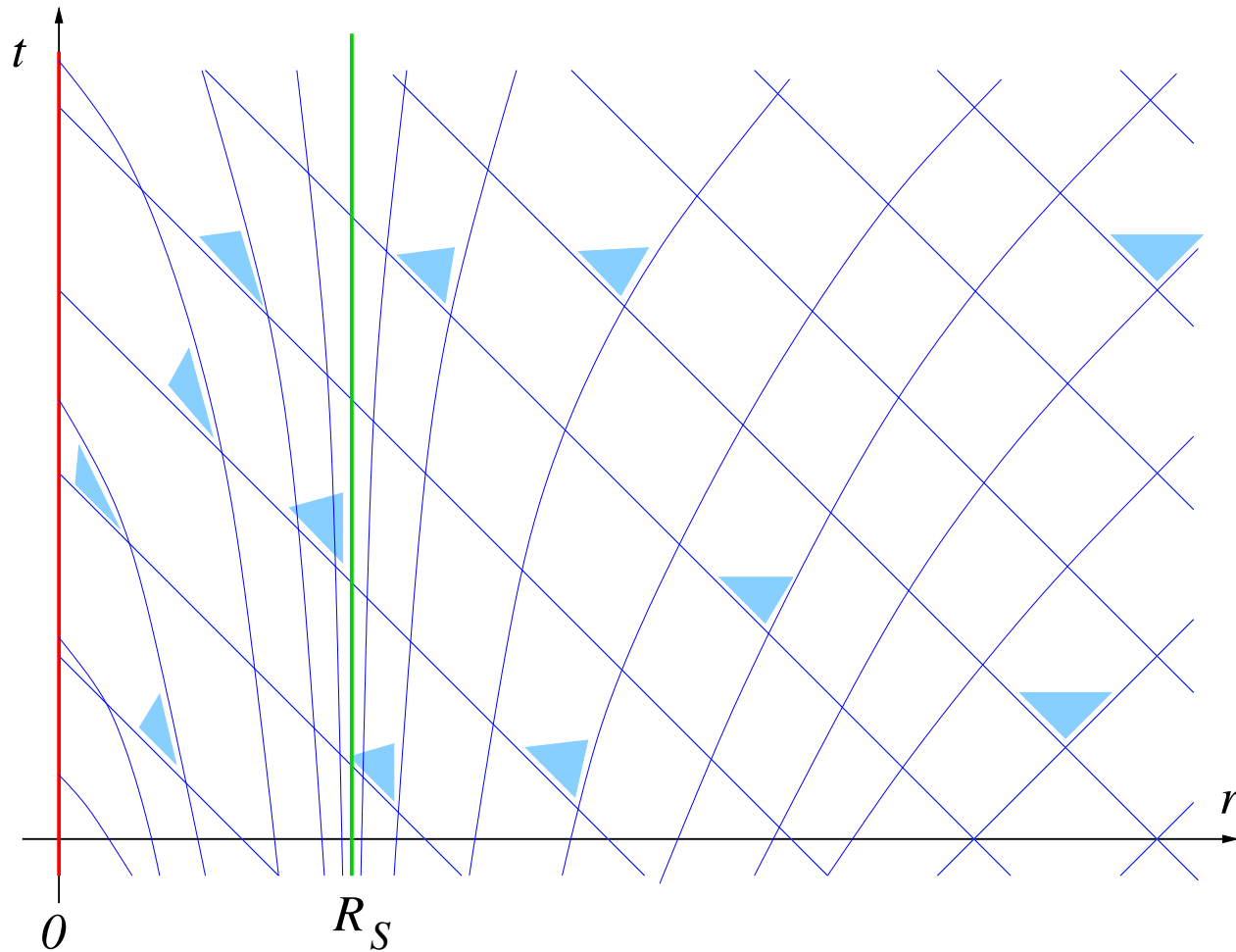
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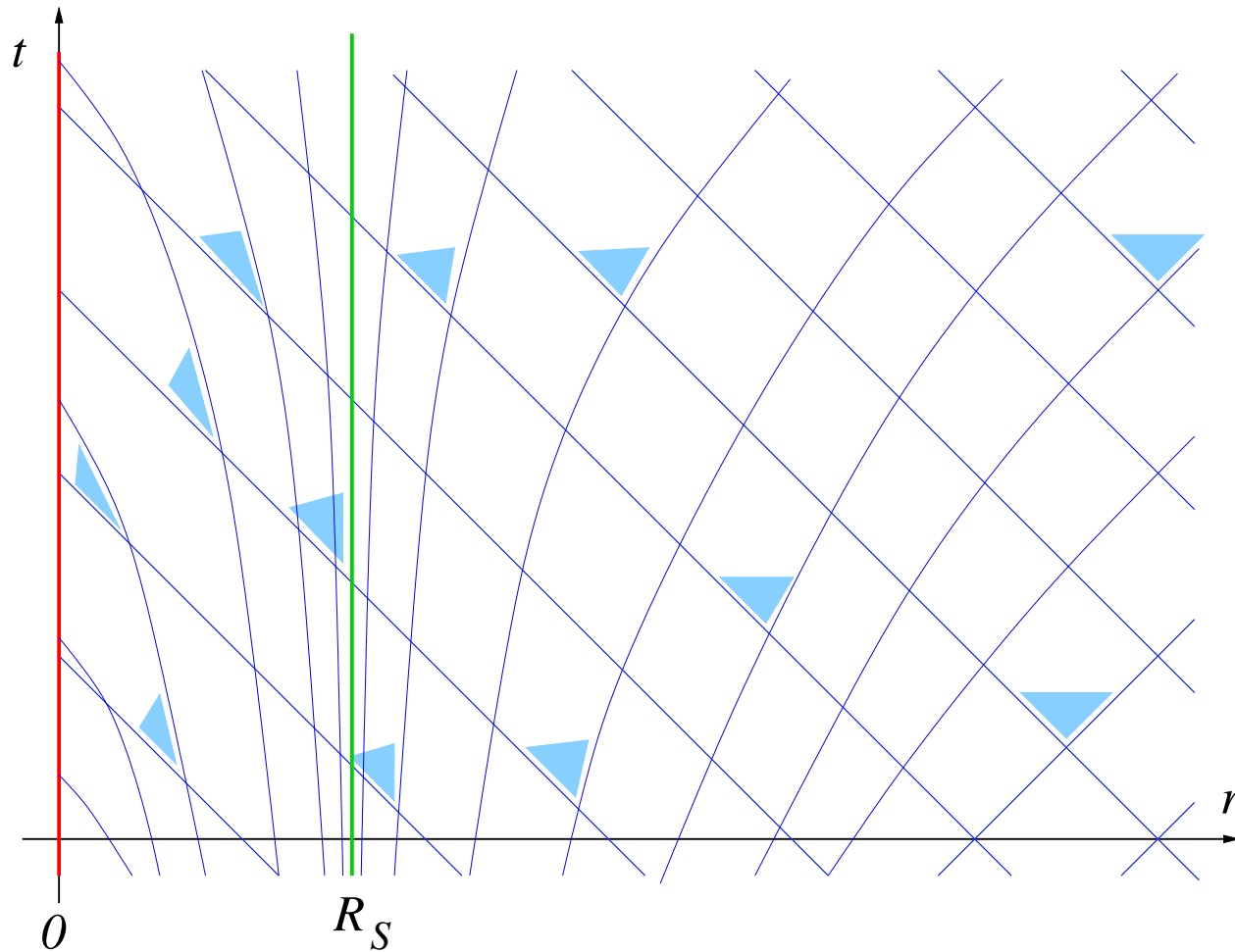
→ **Schwarzschild radius**

- Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates: $\tilde{t} = t + 2M \log(r - 2M)$

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) d\tilde{t}^2 - \frac{4M}{r} d\tilde{t} dr - \left(1 + \frac{2M}{r}\right) dr^2 - r^2 d\Omega_2^2$$



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- No causal influences can travel from $r < 2M$ to $r > 2M$ [Finkelstein, 1958]
- $r = 2M$ is an **event horizon**: **one-dimensional causal membrane**

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[Kerr, 1963]

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Kerr-Newmann (idem with **charge** Q) is unique solution of stationary black hole! \longrightarrow **Uniqueness theorems**

[Israel; Hawking; Carter; 1965-1975]

- stationary \implies axially symmetric \implies Kerr-Newmann
- static \implies spherically symmetric \implies Reissner-Nordström

Black hole have no hair: completely determined by M, Q and J !

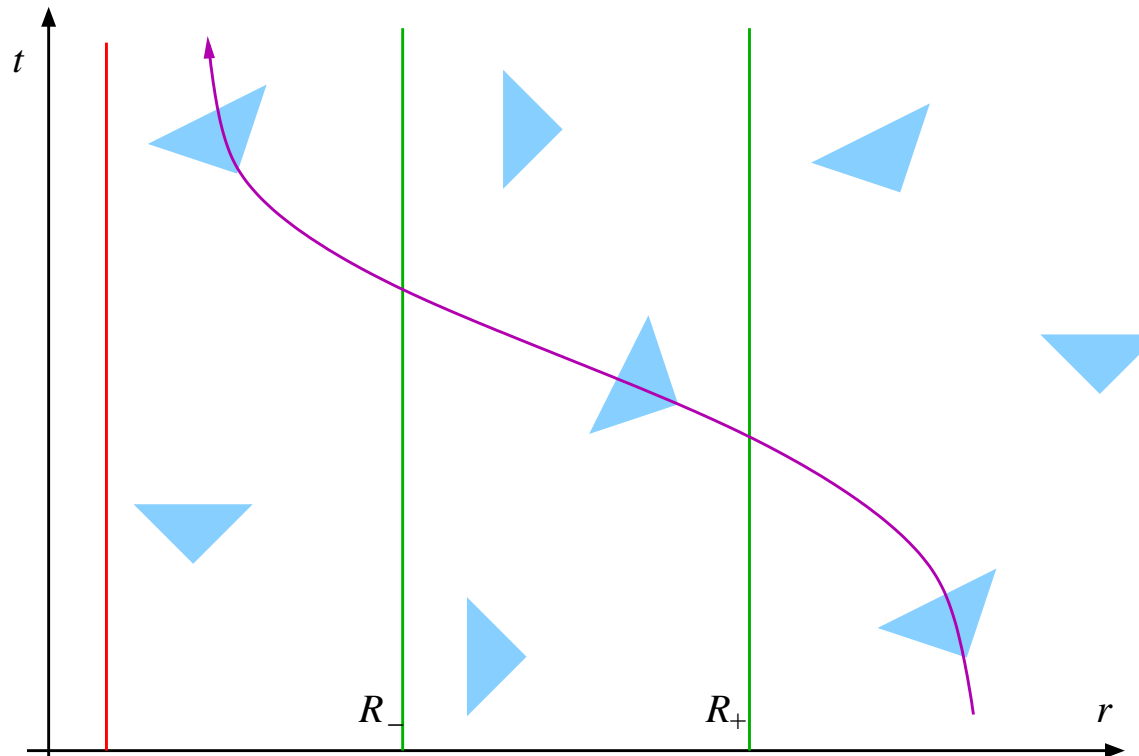
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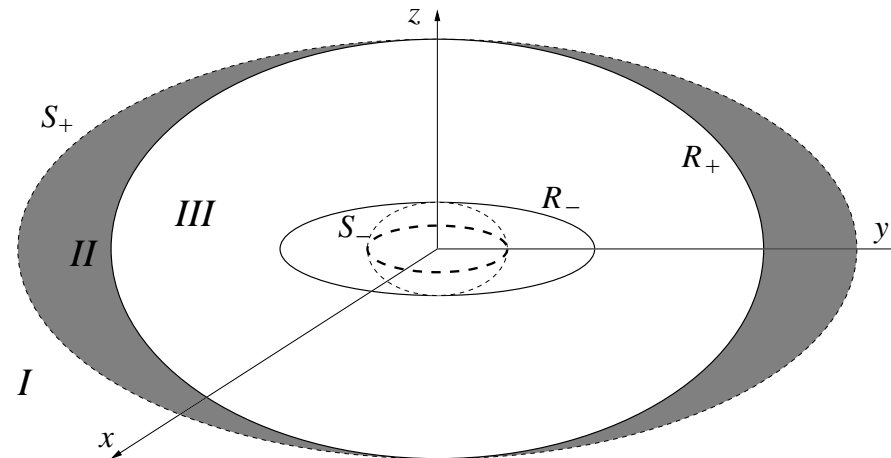
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- $g_{tt} = 0$: Surfaces of infinite redshift at $r = M \pm \sqrt{M^2 - a^2 \cos^2 \theta} \equiv S_{\pm}$
 \rightarrow **limit of stationary region**
 \rightarrow **Effects of frame dragging**



Frame dragging:

[Lense & Thirring, 1918]

General axially symmetric stationary metric:

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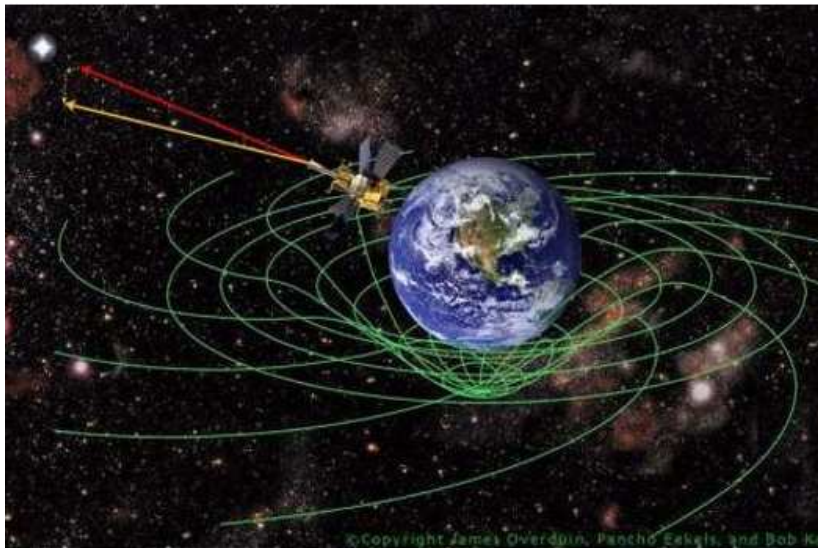
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Zero angular momentum observer: **dragged along with rotation**

$$L = 0 \quad \implies \quad \Omega_0 = -\frac{g_{t\varphi}}{g_{\varphi\varphi}} \neq 0$$



Lense-Thirring effect for Earth:

Predicción: $-39,2$ mili-arcsec/year

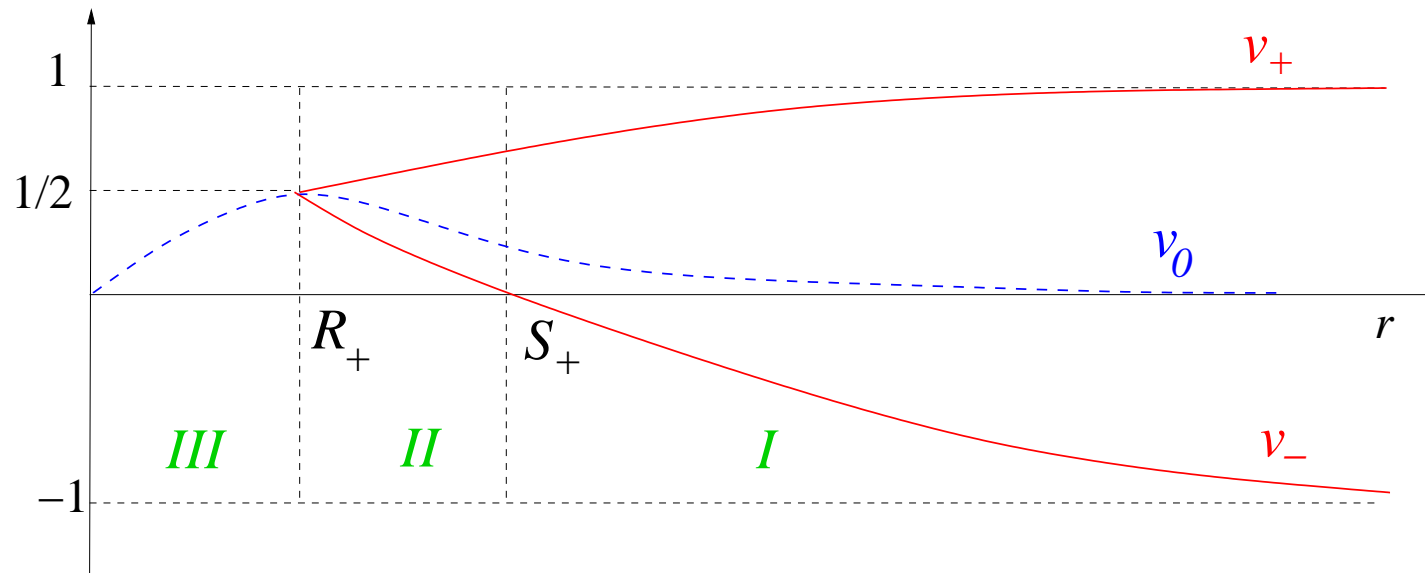
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[Gravity Probe B, 2011]

Ergoregion: Frame dragging limits velocities of stationary observers

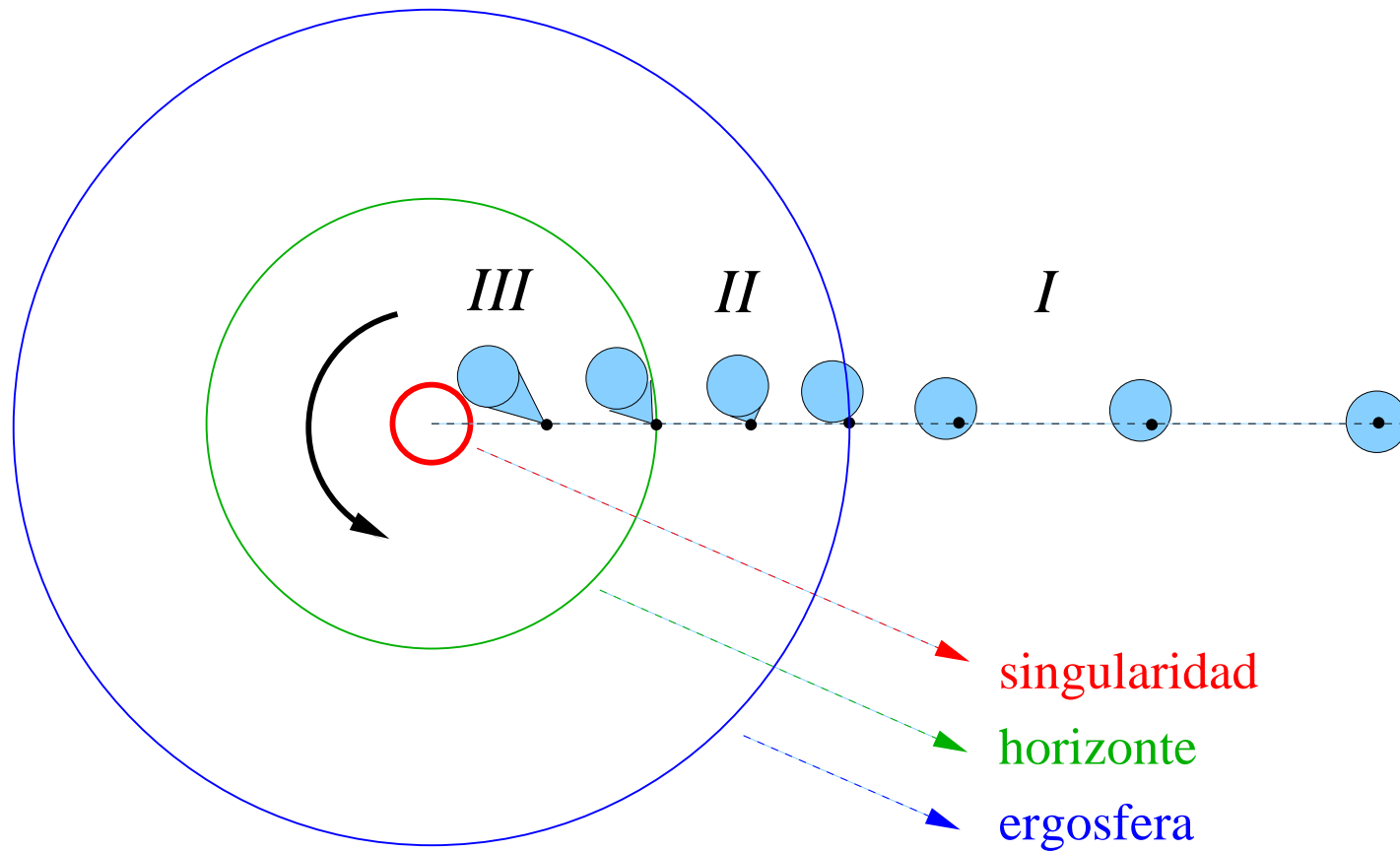
$$\Omega_{\pm} = -\frac{g_{t\varphi}}{g_{\varphi\varphi}} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{g_{t\varphi}}{g_{\varphi\varphi}}\right)^2 - \frac{g_{tt}}{g_{\varphi\varphi}}}$$

$$= \frac{2Ma}{r^3+a^2r+2Ma^2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{4M^2a^2}{(r^3+a^2r+2Ma^2)^2} + \frac{r-2M}{r^3+a^2r+2Ma^2}} \quad (\text{Kerr})$$



- **Region I** ($g_{tt} > 0$): both co-rotation and counter-rotation possible
- **Region II** ($g_{tt} < 0, g^{rr} > 0$): only co-rotation possible
- **Region III** ($g^{rr} < 0$): no stable rotation

Equatorial plane:



Ergoregion is not trapped surface!

- **Region I:** static observers; escape to infinity
- **Region II:** stationary non-static observers; escape to infinity
- **Region III:** non-stationary, trapped observers

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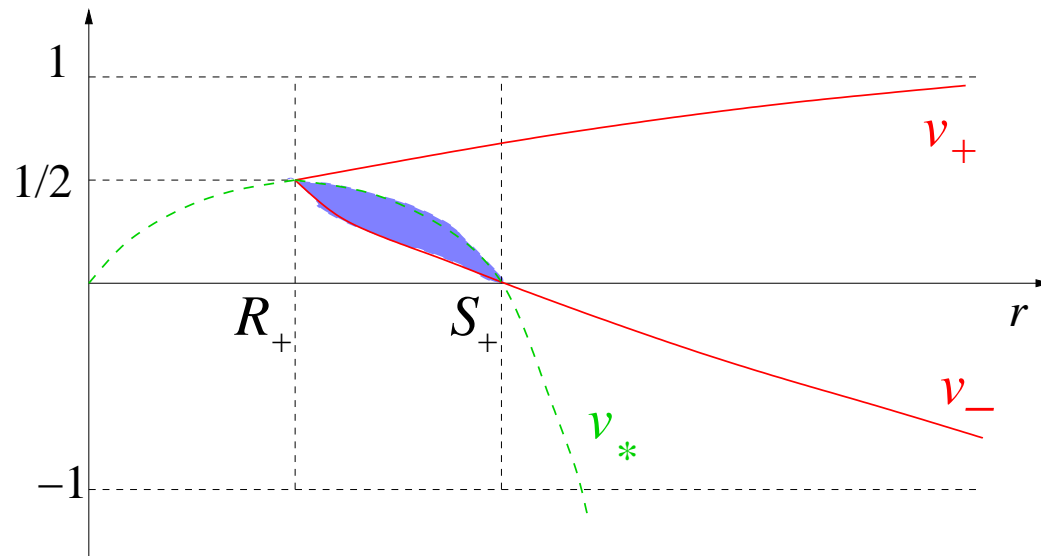
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In ergoregion: $g_{tt} < 0$:

$$E < 0 \quad \iff \quad p^\varphi < -\frac{g_{tt}}{g_{t\varphi}} p^t$$

→ opposing frame dragging as much as possible



NB: $E < 0$ only for asymptotic observer. Local observer sees $E > 0$!

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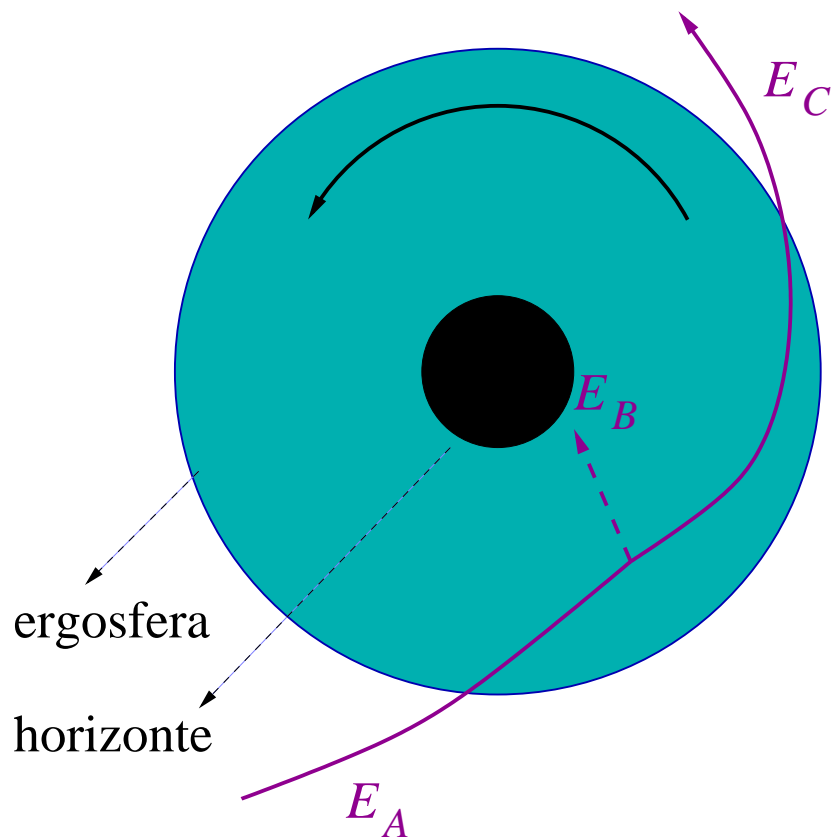
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Launch particle such that $E_B < 0$:

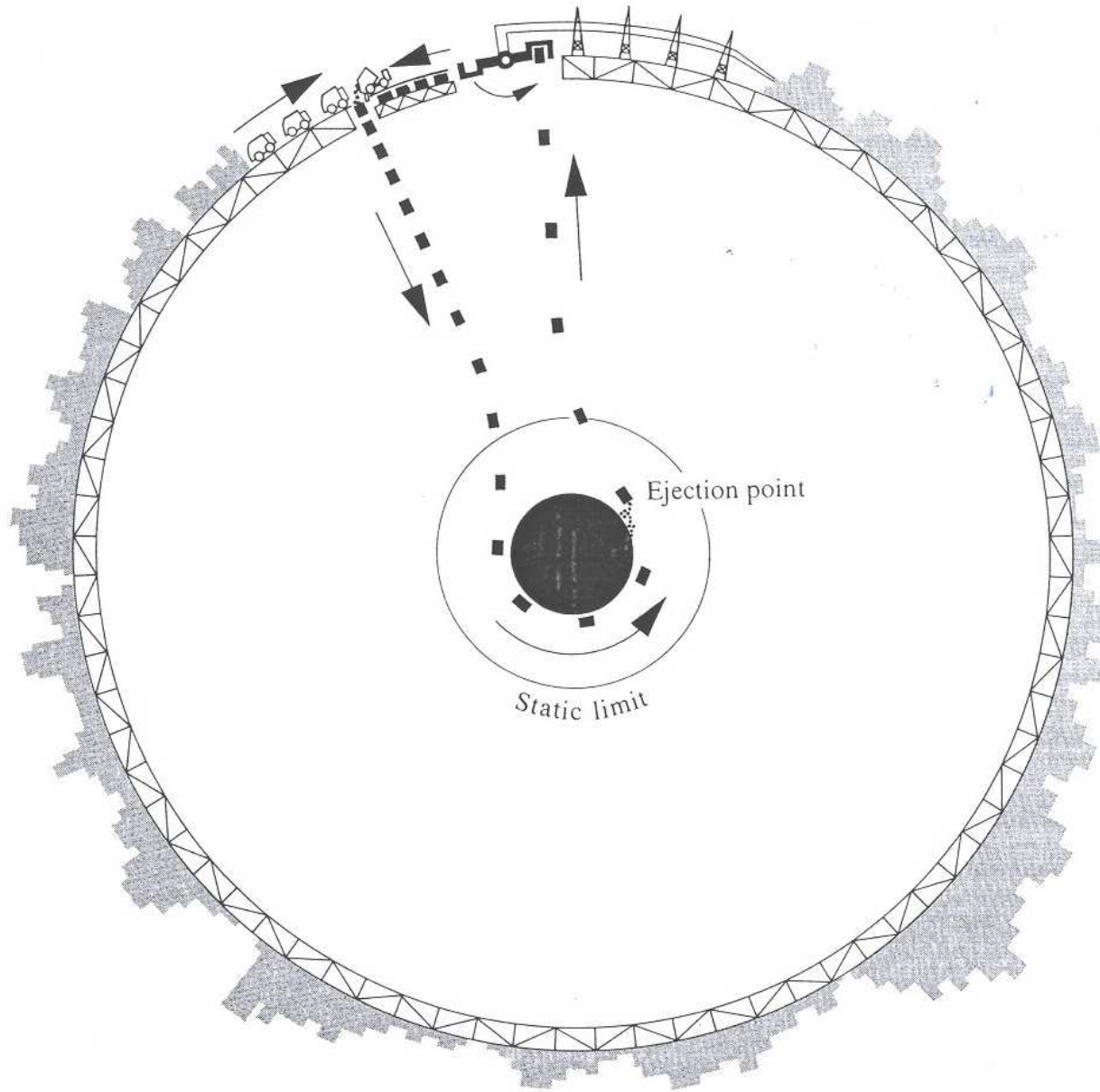
$$\Delta M = E_B = E_A - E_C < 0 \quad \Delta J = L_B = L_A - L_C < 0$$



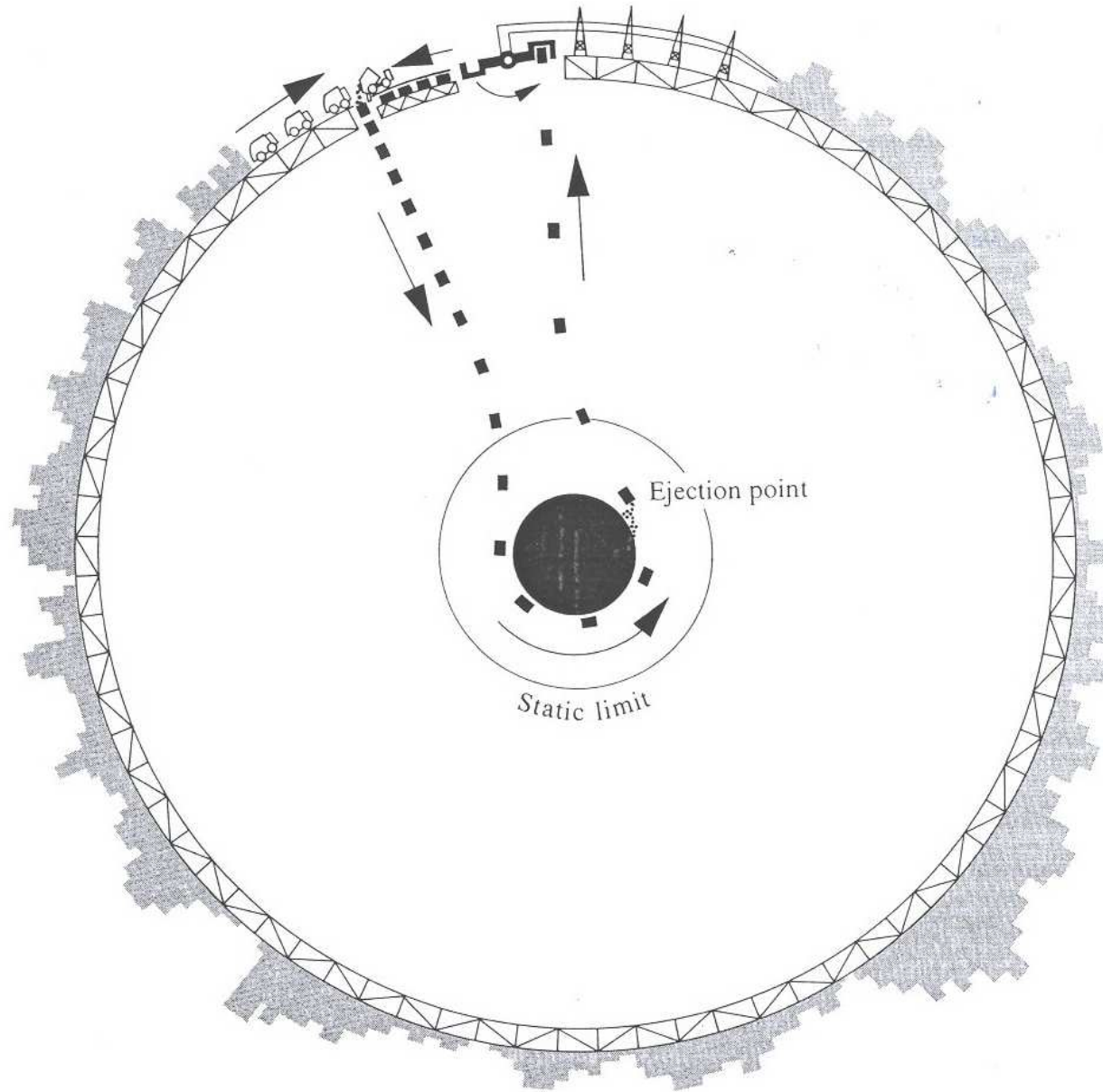
- $E_C > E_A$:
Black hole delivers work on particle!
- $\Delta M < 0, \Delta J < 0$:
Black hole loses mass and angular momentum!

→ black holes are not just the sinks of the universe!

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→ CT12: Sensibilidad hacia temas medioambientales

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In Penrose process: $\Delta M \leq \Omega_H \Delta J$

- **non-optimal process:** $\Delta M < \Omega_H \Delta J \implies \Delta M_* > 0$ (irreversible)
- **optimal process:** $\Delta M = \Omega_H \Delta J \implies \Delta M_* = 0$ (reversible)

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Compare with laws of thermodynamics:

[Clausius; Kelvin; Gibbs; Nernst]

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Suggests:

$$M \sim E$$

relativistic mass en energy

$$\Omega_H dJ \sim -P dV$$

work done by system

$$A \sim S$$

\Leftrightarrow uniqueness theorems: $S = 0$

$$\kappa_H \sim T$$

\Leftrightarrow black hole emits nothing: $T = 0$

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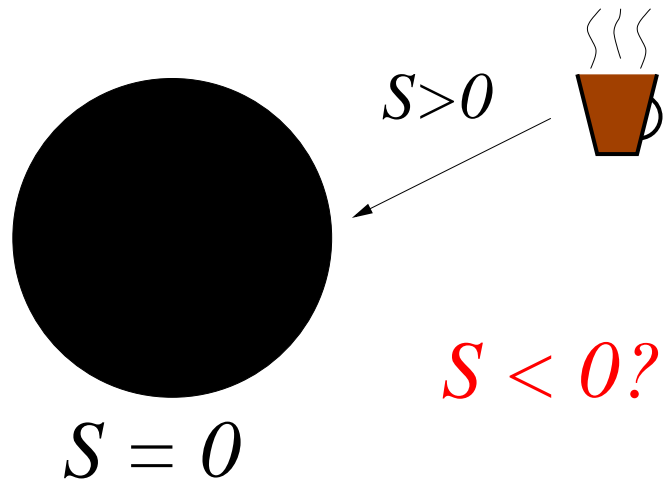
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Black holes must have non-trivial entropy, in order to satisfy Second Law of Thermodynamics

→ Entropy is real and huge! $S \sim A/\ell_P^2$

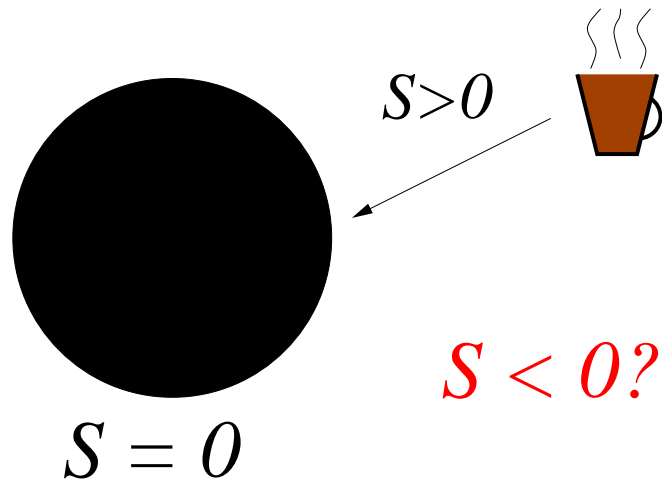
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→ Black hole = maximal entropy object: $S \leq \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} k_B ER_0$

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Bekenstein: Deep relation between black holes and thermodynamics!



Black holes must have non-trivial entropy, in order to satisfy Second Law of Thermodynamics

→ Entropy is real and huge! $S \sim A/\ell_P^2$

[Bekenstein, 1973]

→ Black hole = maximal entropy object: $S \leq \frac{2\pi}{\hbar} k_B ER_0$

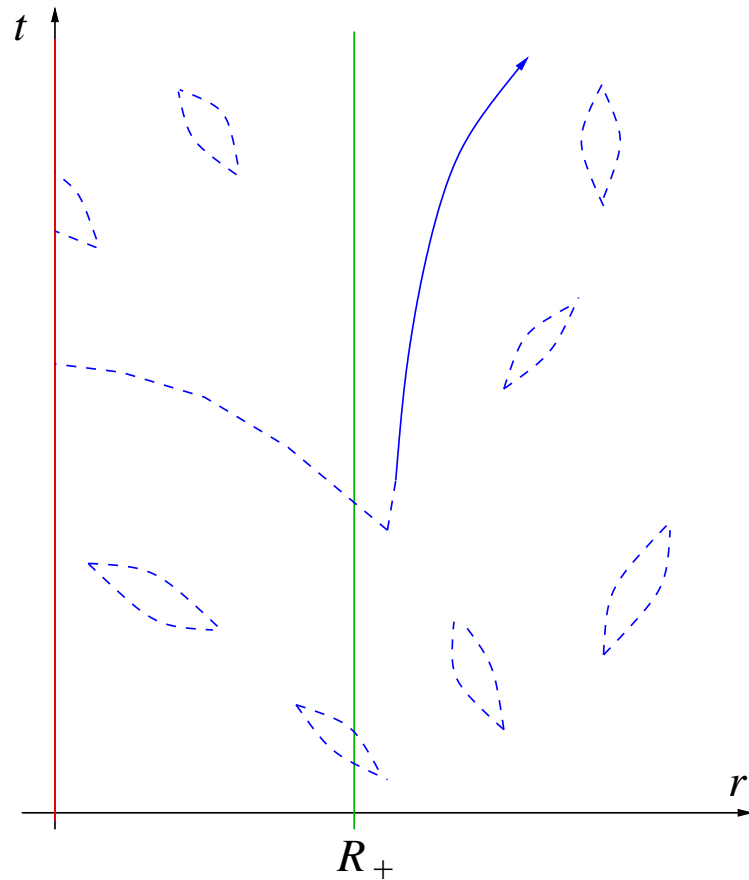
Question: How can black holes have temperature, if they do not emit anything?

→ Look at quantum character...

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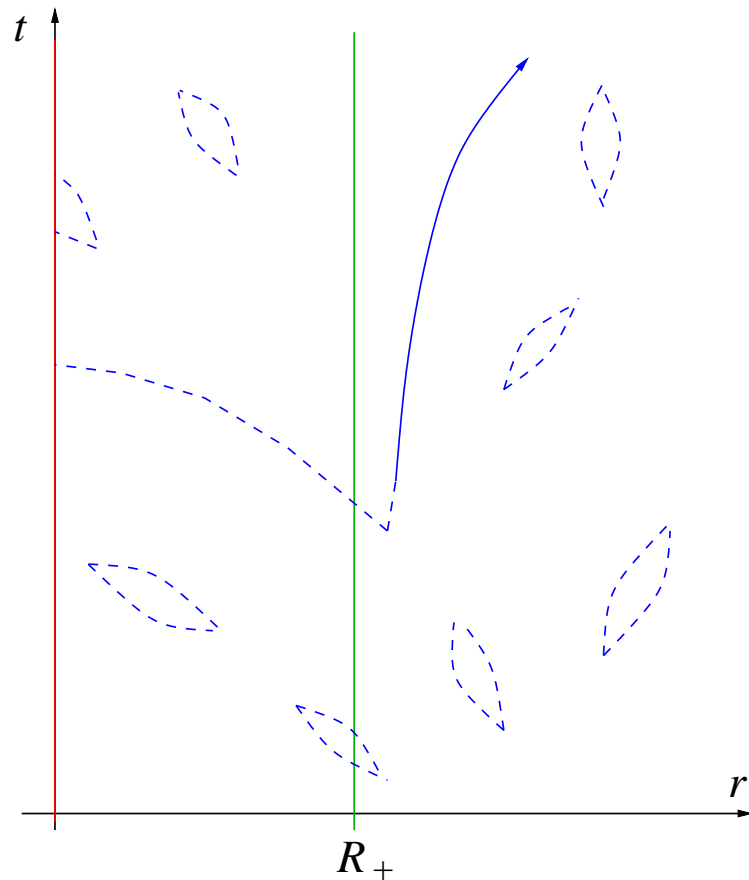
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Two big problems:

- **Counting of microstates:** what is nature of entropy?
- **Information paradox:** is time evolution unitary?

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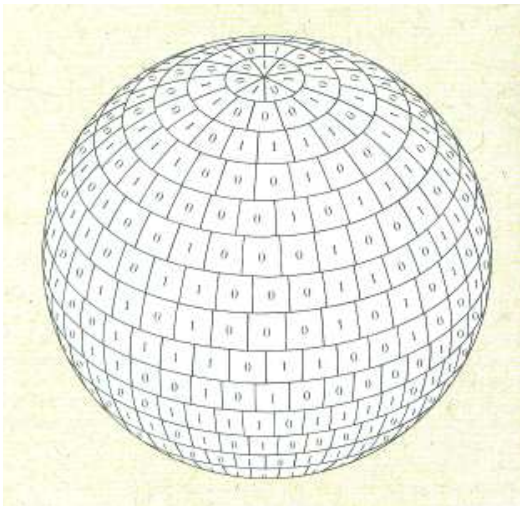
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Degrees of freedom of gravitational system in volume V is described by **quantum field theory on boundary ∂V**

→ not just for black holes
(AdS/CFT, cosmology, ...)

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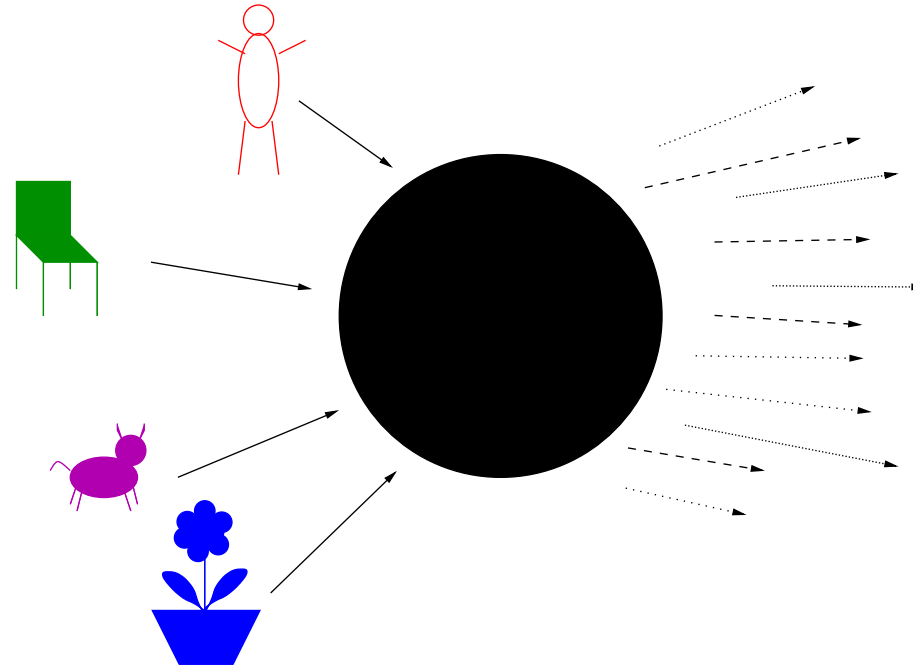
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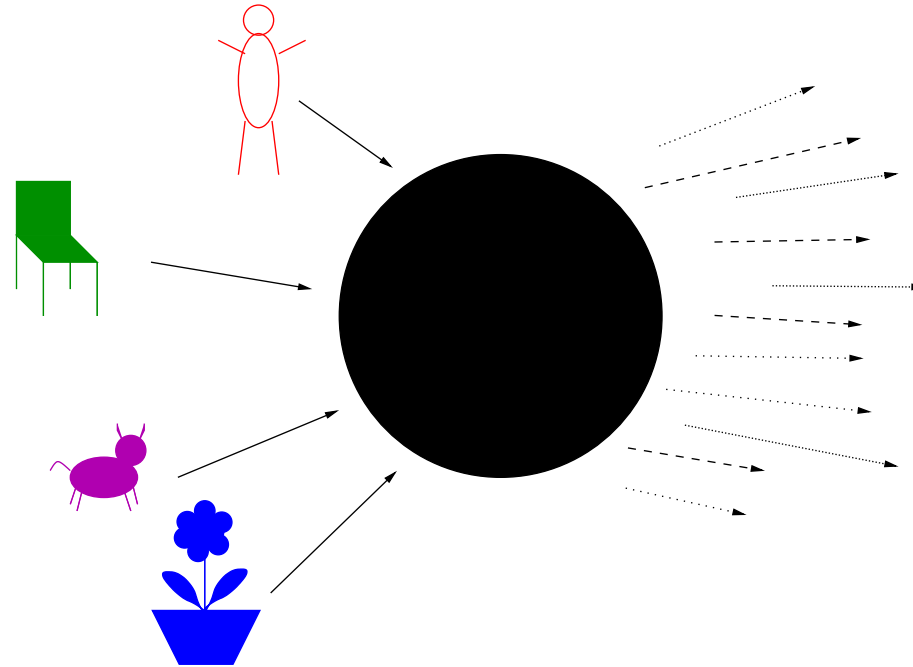
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- **Quantum mechanically:** black hole evaporation \longrightarrow dispersion problem
In-state = (sum of) pure states; Out-state = thermal state
 \longrightarrow **Violates unitarity of Quantum Mechanics!**

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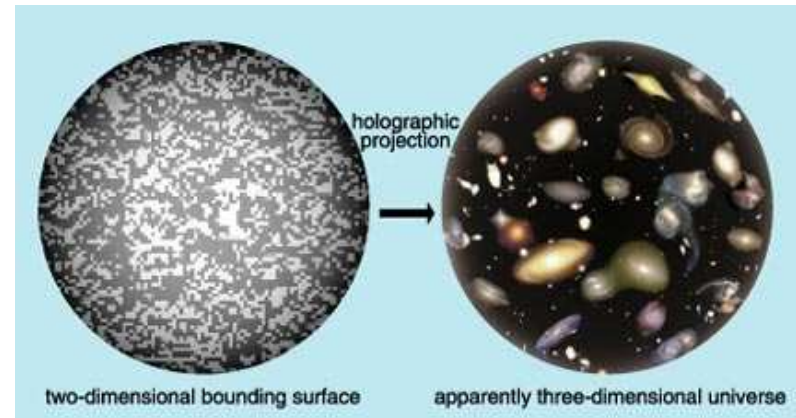
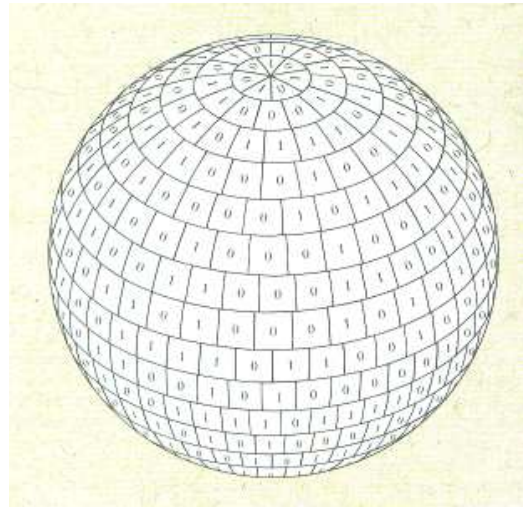
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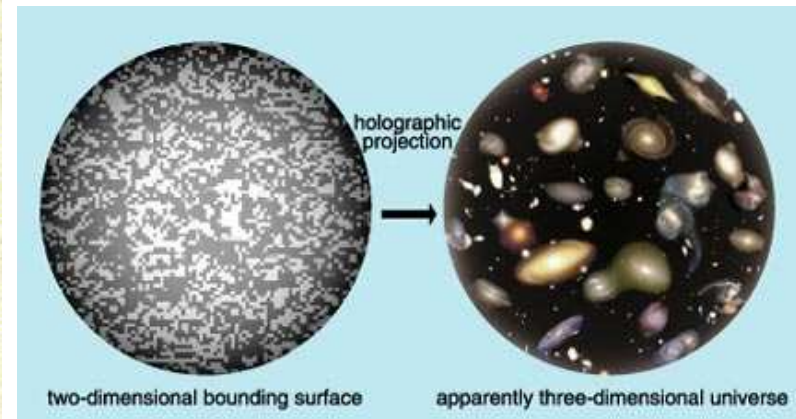
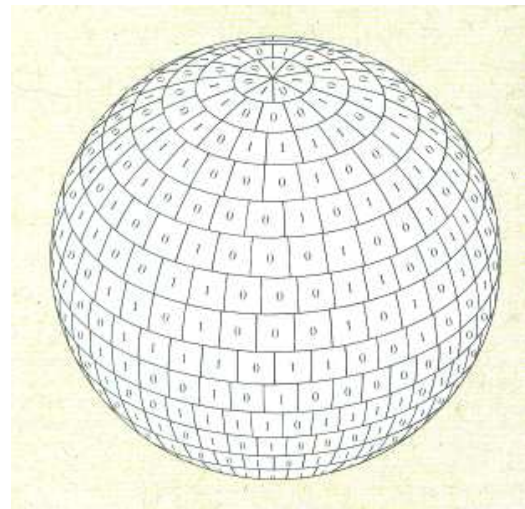
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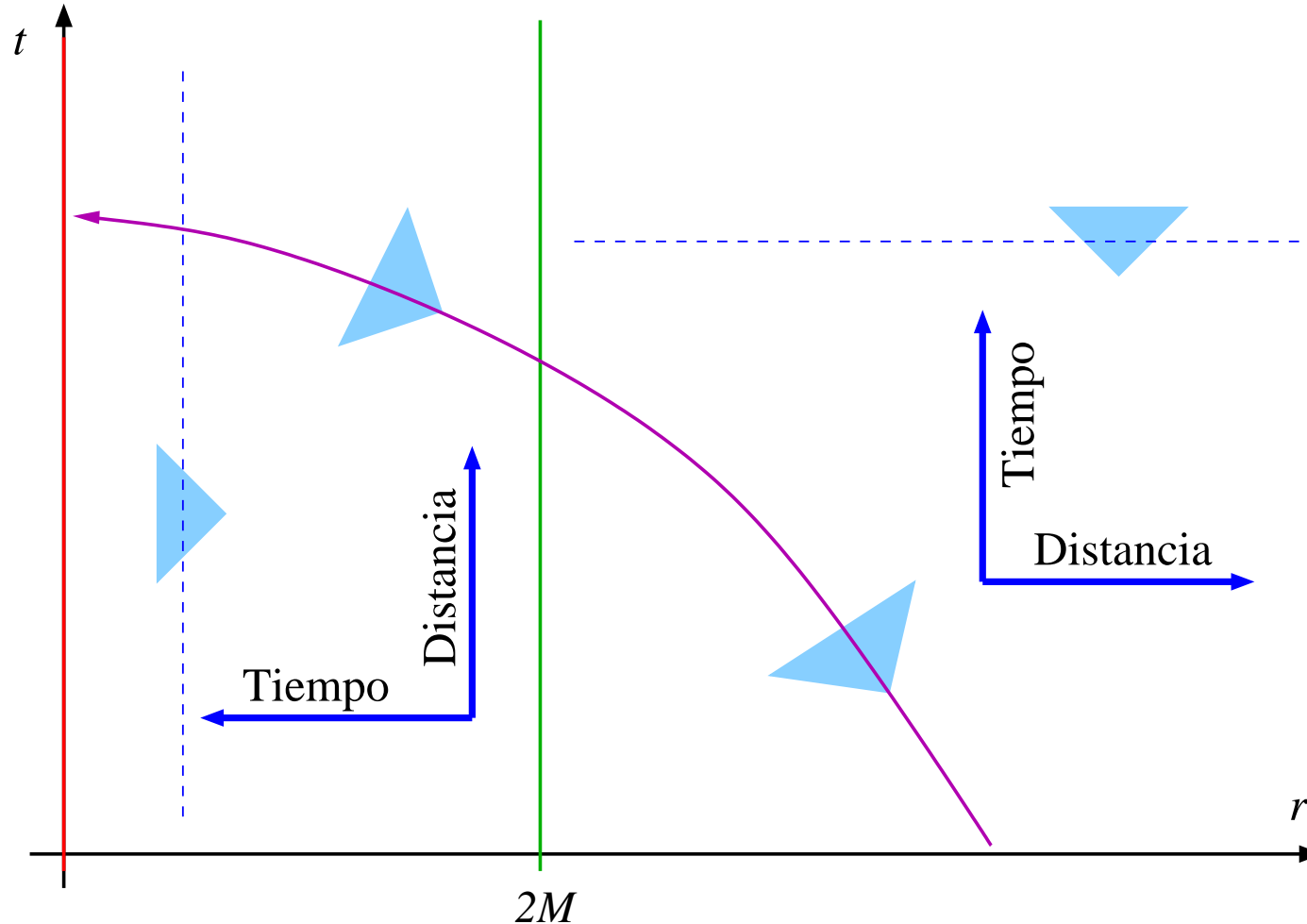
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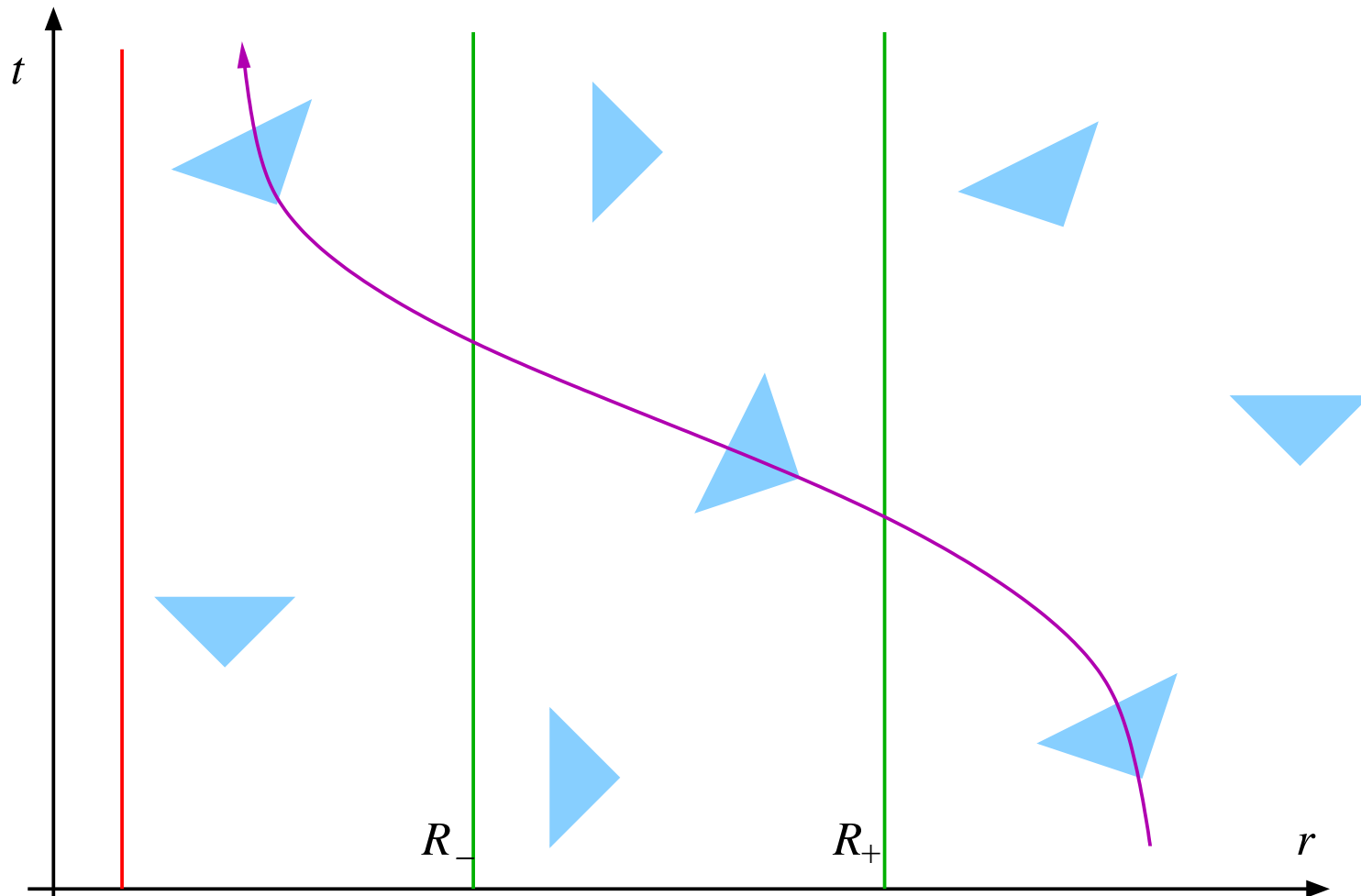
- Ultimate Question: What are degrees of freedom of quantum gravity?

Thank you!

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- $r < 2M$: t is spacelike, r is timelike: non-static region
→ $r = 0$ is spacelike singularity in future



- $R_+ < r$: t is timelike, r is spacelike: asymptotically flat region
- $R_- < r < R_+$: t is spacelike, r is timelike: non-stationary region
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 → ring singularity is timelike and localised

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Analogue for charged black holes:

Canonical momentum of charged particle: $p^\mu = m_0 \dot{x}^\mu + qA^\mu$
 $\longrightarrow E < 0$ if A^μ sufficiently negative



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$$\begin{aligned}\Delta E &= E(\infty) - E(R_+) \\ &= m_0 - \frac{qQ}{R_+} \quad (\text{Reissner-Nordström})\end{aligned}$$

\longrightarrow Extra work done by electromagnetic field of black hole...
... untill black hole is neutralised

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→ Interpret as opartition function in canonical ensemble:

$$E = M \quad S = \frac{A}{4G_N \hbar} \quad T = \frac{\hbar \kappa_H}{2\pi k_B}$$

→ Assuming thermodynamic description of some microscopic system:

Same results as geometrical approach!