

Introduction

Issues with "unifying" QM and GR

- Discuss issues associated with BH's: special states
 - Standard tool QFT in curved space ($N=\infty$, AdS/CFT)
 - GR vs QM Equivalence principle vs. Unitarity
- My proposal: BH's have to be treated as quantum states

Plan of lectures

1. The Hawking information paradox:
Breakdown of unitarity in gravitational collapse.
2. What if the evolution is unitary?
 - The Page model
 - The Firewall problem
Breakdown of the equivalence principle in gravitational collapse
3. How to treat BH's as quantum states
and what are the consequences

Detailed Plan of lectures

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1. The Hawking information paradox

- The collapsing shell model
- The Hawking effect: particle production during gravitation collapse.
- The density matrix of the produced particles
- = Conclusion: Unitarity is violated
- The pair production picture
- The near horizon (NH) state

2. What if the evolution is unitary?

- The Page model
- Measures of purity, entanglement and information
- The Page curve for entanglement & information
- The firewall problem: The nature of the NH state
- Equivalence principle vs. unitarity

3. BH's as quantum states

- Semiclassical BH's, finite mass
- The Hawking effect for semiclassical BH's
- The modified Page curve
- Fate of an infalling object: Nature of the NH state

4. Summary

The BH information paradox: Break down of ^(predictability) singularity in gravitational collapse; Hawking PRD '76

4D Schwarzschild BH geometry

Ford 9707062, B&D, Mukhanov

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) dt^2 + \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right)} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

$[2GM = R_s]$

$v = t + r^*$, $u = t - r^*$ "tortoise coordinates"

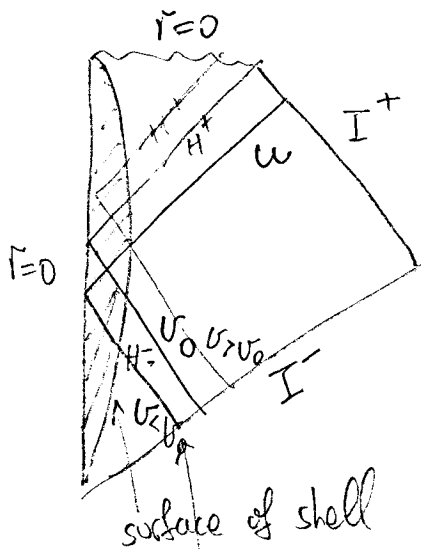
$$dr^* = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{2M}{r}}}, \quad r^* = r + 2M \ln\left(\frac{r}{2M} - 1\right)$$

u - "retarded time"

v - "advanced time"

A collapsing shell geometry

Penrose diagram of the geometry of a collapsing matter shell



Bigger diagram with colors.

Problem 1: Draw a Penrose diagram of a collapsing star

$u < u_0$ trajectory of a light ray that passes through the shell and escapes to infinity

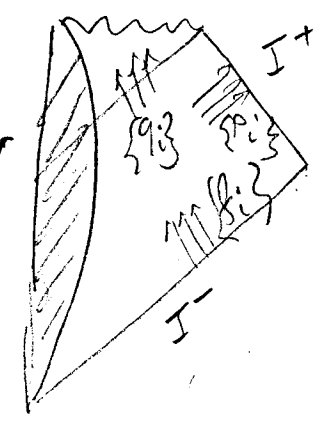
$u > u_0$ trajectory of a light ray that passes through the shell and is trapped inside the BH.

Quantum (massless, scalar) fields
in the classical space-time of the collapsing shell

$$\phi = \sum_i (f_i a_i + f_i^* a_i^\dagger)$$

BC - only positive frequencies @ I^- ; $f_i \sim e^{i\omega t}$

$a_i |0_-\rangle = 0$, $|0_-\rangle$ - "infalling vacuum"
"Almost" well defined (see below)



$$\phi = \sum_i (p_i b_i + p_i^* b_i^\dagger + q_i c_i + q_i^* c_i^\dagger)$$

$\{p_i\}$ - only positive frequencies @ I^+ } $p_i \sim e^{i\omega t}$ purely outgoing
zero Cauchy data @ H^+

$\{q_i\}$ - no outgoing component

However: cannot define positive frequency for $\{q_i\}$
 \Rightarrow Division into annihilation + creation operators ambiguous

Ambiguity in $\{q_i\}$ does not affect observables @ I^+ !

"Outgoing vacuum" $b_i |0_+\rangle, c_i |0_+\rangle = 0$

$$p_i = \sum_j \alpha_{ij} f_j + \beta_{ij} f_j^*, \quad b_i = \sum_j \alpha_{ij}^* a_j - \beta_{ij}^* a_j^\dagger$$

↑ Bogalubov coefficients.

The Hawking effect:

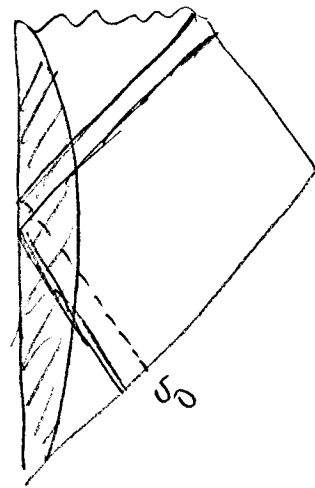
$\beta_i \neq 0 \Rightarrow |outgoing\rangle$ excited state w.r.t. to $|0_-\rangle$

$|outgoing\rangle$ is a thermal state

final state is a mixed state!

Calculation of the β coefficients (Ford '87, Birrell & Davies)³

The main effect is the large phase shift of modes that pass through the shell and escape to infinity just before the horizon is formed



Use Fourier transform $f_w \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega}} e^{i\omega u}$

u, v very large near H^+ $P_w \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\omega}} e^{i\omega u}$

\Rightarrow use geometric optics to evaluate phase shift.

Problem 2: Calculate $\beta_{w'w}$ for a thin shell

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Inside shell: Minkowski

Outside: Schwarzschild



a. Show that $u = -4M \ln\left(\frac{v_0 - v}{C}\right)$, $C = \text{const.}$

b. Show that $P_w = \begin{cases} e^{-4M i\omega \ln\left(\frac{v_0 - v}{C}\right)} & v < v_0 \\ 0 & v > v_0 \end{cases}$

c. For $P_w = \int_0^\infty dw' (\alpha w' f_{w'} + \beta w' f_{w'}^*)$,

Show that $\beta_{w'w} = \frac{tw}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{w}} \Gamma(1 - i4M\omega)(w')$ $e^{-1/2 + i4M\omega - 2\pi M\omega}$

* over all phase factor

tw , transmission coefficient (will be ignored)

Spectrum of em. field particles

$$\langle n_j \rangle = \langle 0 | b_j^\dagger b_j | 0 \rangle \approx \int_0^\infty d\omega' \beta_{\omega' \omega}^* \beta_{\omega' \tilde{\omega}} =$$

$$= \frac{t_\omega^* t_{\tilde{\omega}}}{(2\pi)^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega \tilde{\omega}}} \Gamma(1+i4M\omega) \Gamma(1-i4M\tilde{\omega}) \times$$

$$\times \int_0^\infty d\omega' (\omega')^{-1+i4M(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)}$$

$$y = \ln \omega' \quad \int_0^\infty d\omega' (\omega')^{-1+i4M(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)} = \int_{-\infty}^\infty dy e^{iy \cdot 4M(\omega-\tilde{\omega})}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{4M} \delta(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)$$

$$\langle n(\omega) \rangle = |t_\omega|^2 \frac{1}{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{T_H}} - 1}$$

Problem 3: Calculate explicitly $\langle n_\omega \rangle$ and show that $T_H = \frac{1}{8\pi M}$

$n(\omega, \tilde{\omega}) \propto \delta(\tilde{\omega}-\omega)$ indication that the density matrix of emitted radiation is diagonal $|\langle 0 | b_i^\dagger b_j | 0 \rangle \propto \delta_{ij}$

$n(\omega) \propto \frac{1}{e^{\frac{\hbar\omega}{T_H}} - 1}$ indication that the density matrix is thermal \Rightarrow density matrix is a mixed state

Initial state $\sim |0\rangle \otimes |\text{shell}\rangle \rightarrow$ final state $= \hat{\rho}^1$

\Rightarrow Evolution is not unitary!

Hawking: The density matrix of outgoing radiation is diagonal⁵
 (as presented valid only for free fields)

$$\hat{\rho}_H = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\sum_i \frac{\omega_i}{T_H} b_i^\dagger b_i} \quad \text{- thermal state}$$

Quick and dirty "proof": the theory is free \Rightarrow density matrix is Gaussian $\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-M_{ij} b_i^\dagger b_j}$

$$\langle 0 | b_i^\dagger b_j | 0_- \rangle \propto \delta_{ij} \Rightarrow M_{ij} \propto \delta_{ij}$$

Best way to prove (valid also for interacting fields):

Use PI methods, Gibbons-Hawking, Kabat-Strassler

Weakness: Needs eternal BH geometry, infinite mass
 Brustein-Einhorn-Yarom

Hawking's proof:

$$\phi = \sum_i (p_i b_i + \underbrace{p_i^*}_{\leftarrow \text{out}} b_i^\dagger + q_i c_i + \underbrace{q_i^*}_{\leftarrow \text{in}} c_i^\dagger)$$

$$|0_-\rangle = \sum_{A,B} \lambda_{AB} |A_{\text{out}}\rangle |B_{\text{in}}\rangle$$

$$|A_{\text{out}}\rangle = \prod_j \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_{ja}!}} (b_j)^\dagger n_{ja} |0_+\rangle, |B_{\text{in}}\rangle = \prod_k \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_{kb}!}} (c_k)^\dagger n_{kb} |0_{\text{hor}}\rangle$$

n_{ja}, n_{kb} number of particles in j 'th (k 'th) mode
 a, b configuration index.

$$\hat{\rho}_{\text{out}} = \text{Tr}_{\text{in}} \hat{\rho} = \text{Tr}_{\text{in}} |0_-\rangle \langle 0_-|$$

$$(\rho_{\text{out}})_{AC} = \sum_B \lambda_{AB} \lambda_{CB}^*$$

Plan: show that $\hat{\rho}_{\text{out}}$ is diagonal $(\rho_{\text{out}})_{\{n_{ja}\}\{n_{jb}\}} \propto \delta_{\{n_{ja}\}\{n_{jb}\}}$

ρ_{AC} can be completely determined by VEV'S of the 16

form $\langle 0_- | b_i^m (b_j^\dagger)^n | 0_- \rangle \Rightarrow$ Do not depend
on the choice of $\{q_i\}$
of in-modes

For example $\langle 0_- | b_i | 0_- \rangle = 0$

$$= \text{Tr}(\rho b_i) = \sum_N \rho_{N, N-1} C(N, i)$$

Similarly $\langle 0_- | b_i^m (b_j^\dagger)^n | 0_- \rangle \propto \delta_{ij} \delta_{mn}$
 (see problem 4) \rightarrow

and so on \Rightarrow density matrix is diagonal $\rho_{\{n_i\}, \{n_j\}} \propto \delta_{\{n_i\}, \{n_j\}}$

by looking at $(b_i^\dagger b_i)^n$ it is possible to $-\sum_{\text{TH}} \omega_i b_i^\dagger b_i$
 show that the state is thermal $\hat{\rho} = \frac{1}{Z} e^{-\beta H}$

But important aspect: $\hat{\rho}$ is diagonal! \Leftrightarrow mixed state.

$$|\text{Initial}\rangle \sim |0_- \rangle \otimes |\text{shell}\rangle \rightarrow |\text{Final}\rangle = \hat{\rho}$$

\Rightarrow Evolution is not unitary!

Result does not depend on assumptions
 about the ingoing modes q .

Hawking: Corrections exponential $e^{-R_s^2/l_p^2} \sim e^{-S_{BH}}$ - due to ambiguity
 in definition of
 positive frequency
 for f
 turns out to be incorrect
 corrections to $\langle 0_- | \hat{\theta} | 0_- \rangle \sim l_p^2/R_s^2$

Problem 4 :

a. show that $\langle 0_- | (b_j^\dagger)^{n_j} b_i^{n_i} | 0_- \rangle = 0 \quad i \neq j$

b. Show that $\hat{\rho}_{out}$ is completely determined by polynomials of $\{b_i\} \{b_i^\dagger\}$

c. Show that the density matrix is diagonal in total number of particles $N = \sum_i n_i$

d. Show that $\hat{\rho}_{out}$ is diagonal
(As far as I know does not exist in lit.)