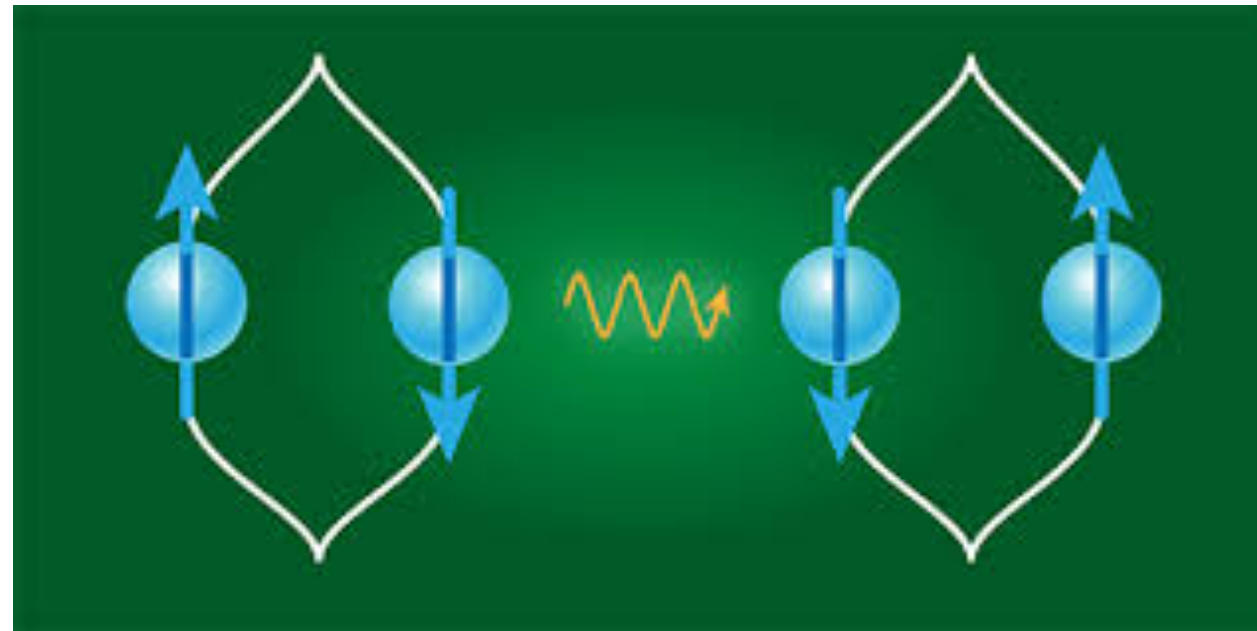


# Testing Quantum Aspects of Linearized Gravity in a Lab

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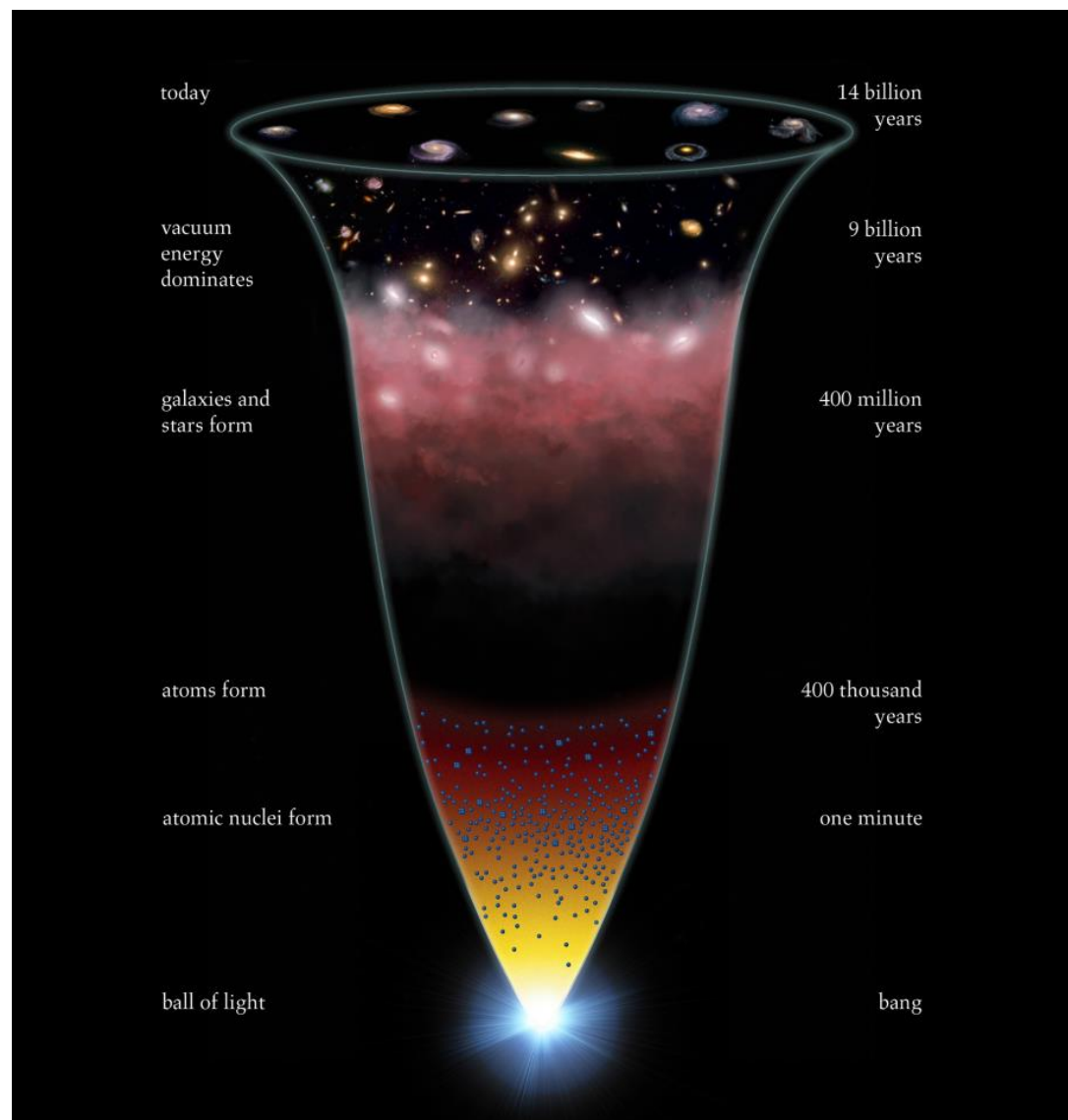
Quantum superpositions of geometries

Bose + AM + Morley + Ulbricht + Toros + Paternostro + Geraci + Barker + Kim + Milburn,  
Phy. Rev. Lett. [ArXiv: 1707.06050]

Marshman +AM+Bose, [ArXiv: 1907.01568]

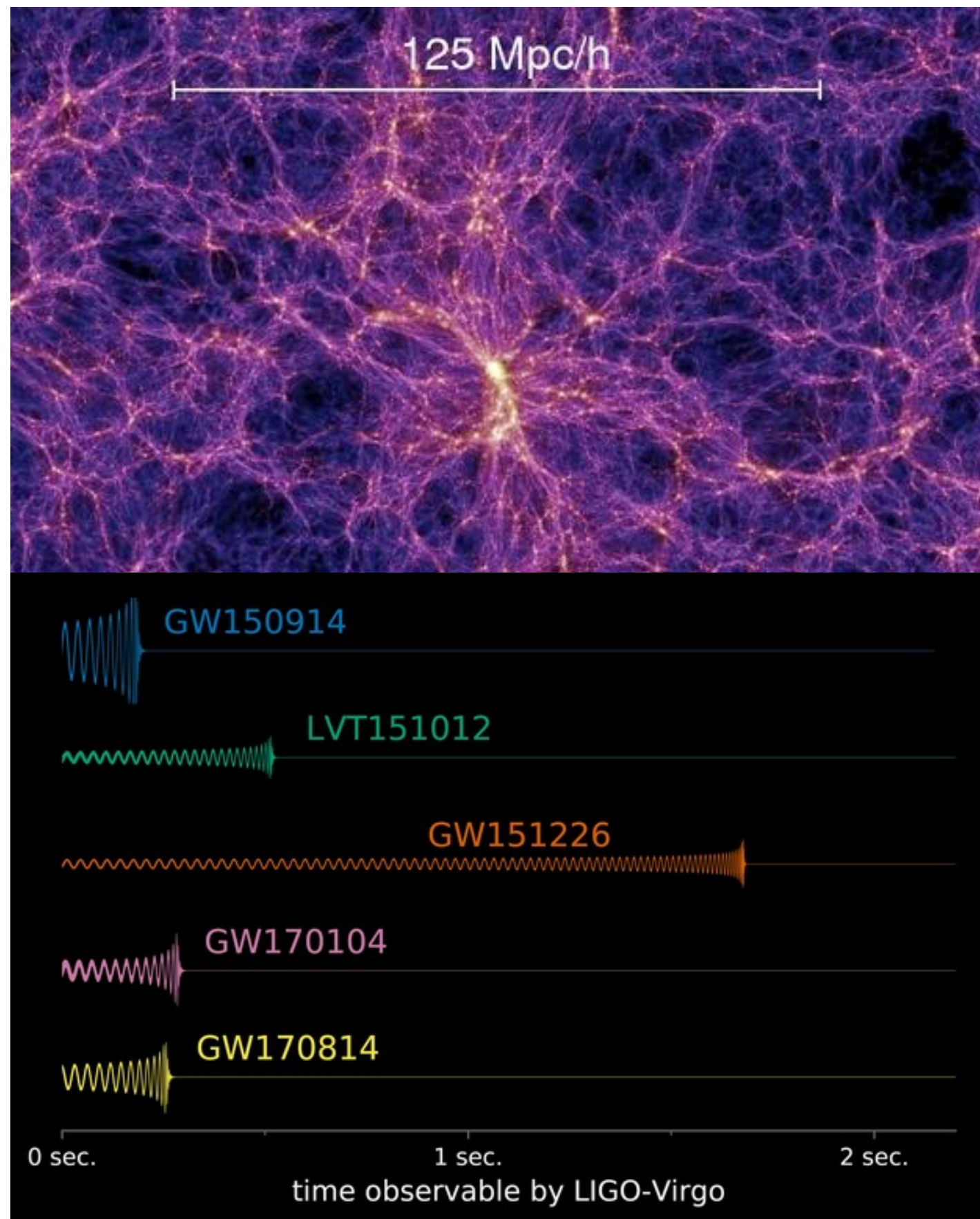
See Also: Marletto and Vedral appeared on the same day [1707.06036], Phys. Rev. Lett.

# Gravity is Universal & a Successful Theory

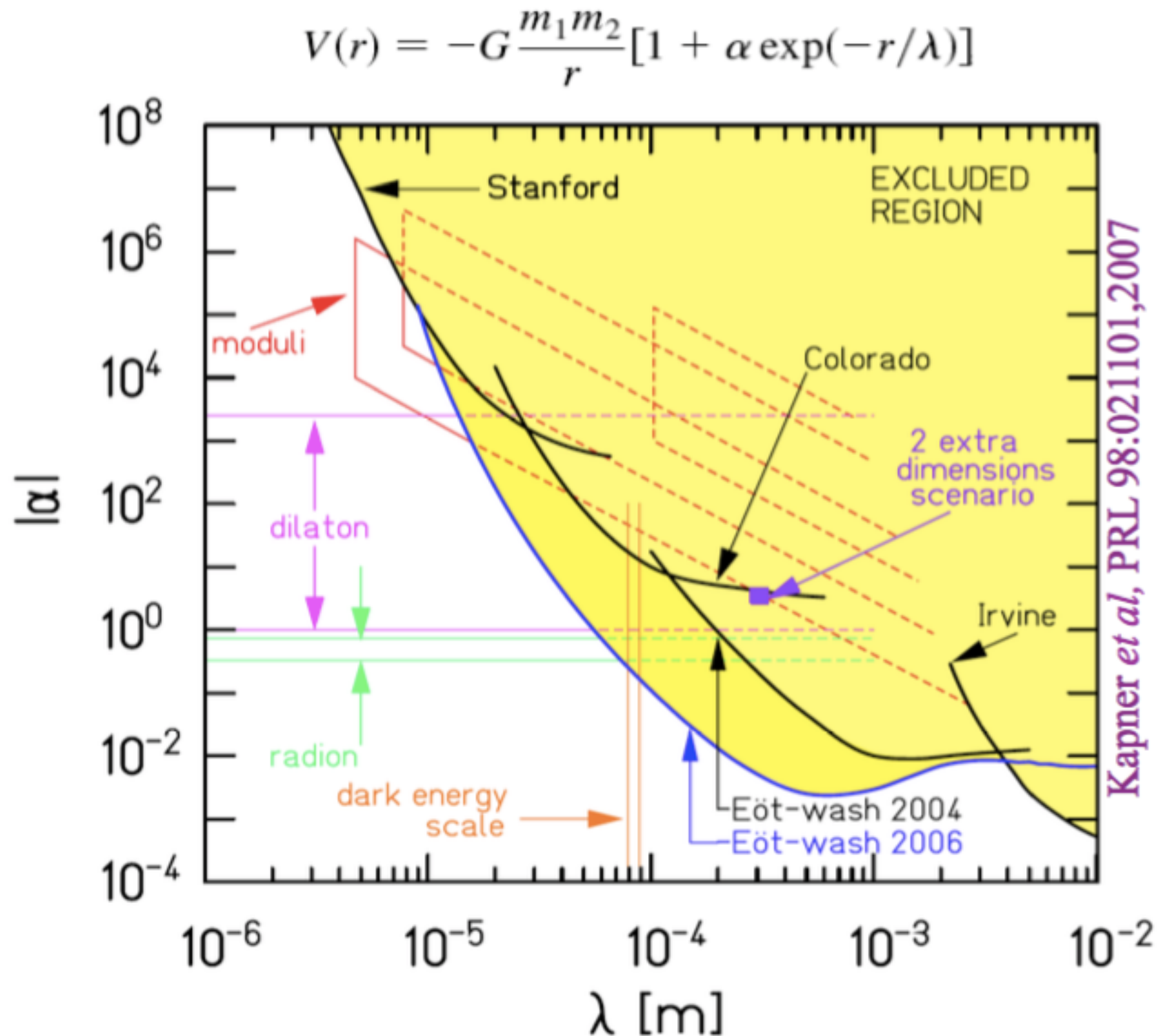


In the simplest case: Minimal Coupling  
with matter

$$\kappa h^{\mu\nu} T_{\mu\nu}$$



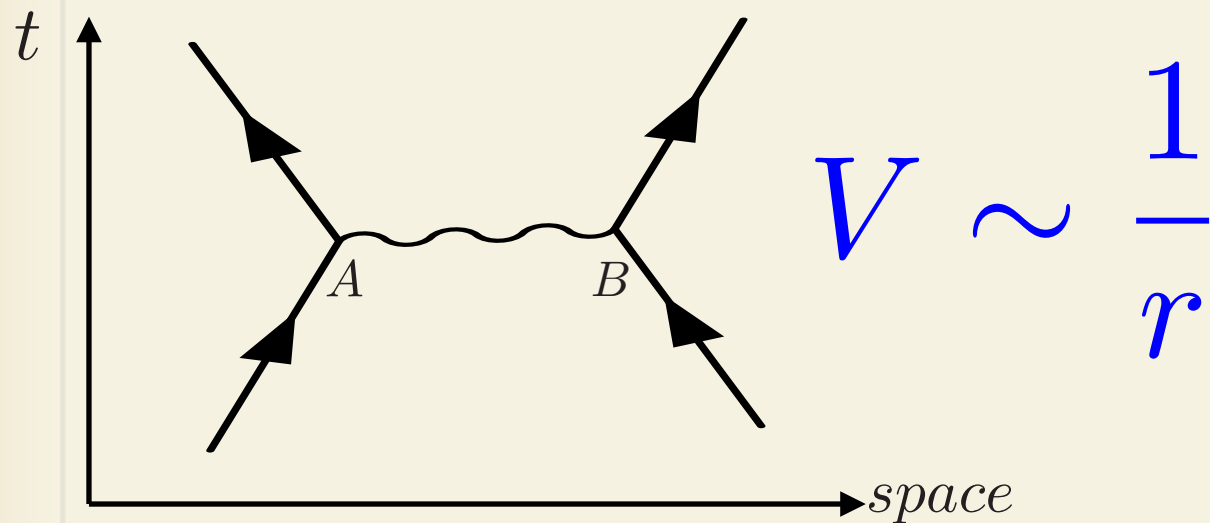
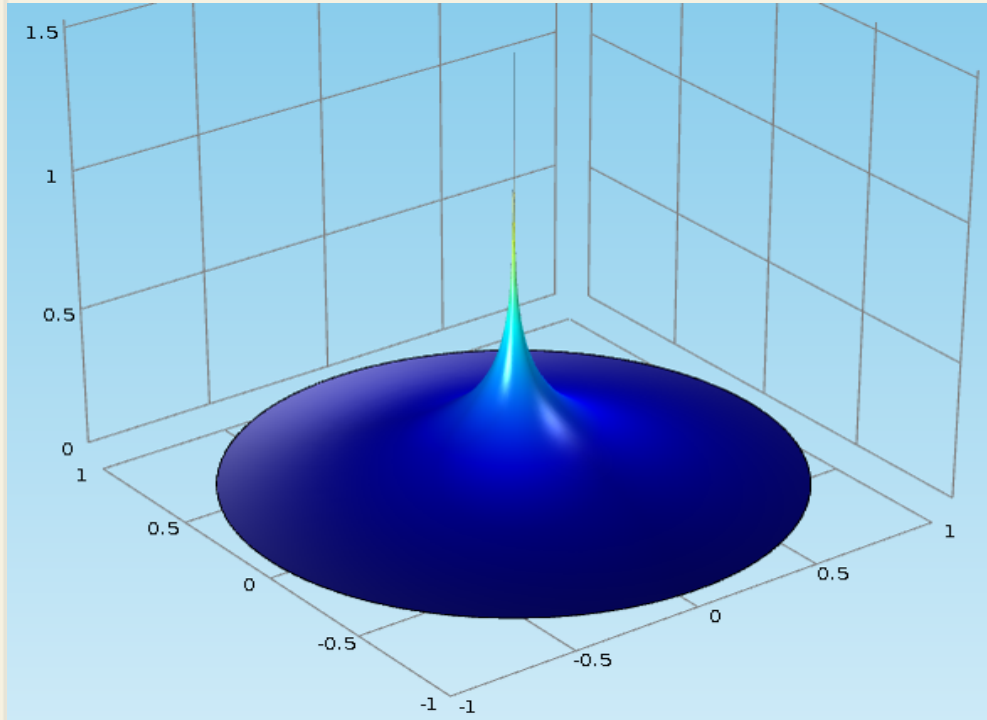
# Gravity is Least Constrained in UV



$(10^{27} \text{ eV})^4$   
 ?  
 $(10^{-2} \text{ eV})^4$   
 $(10^{-3} \text{ eV})^4$   
**Dark Energy**

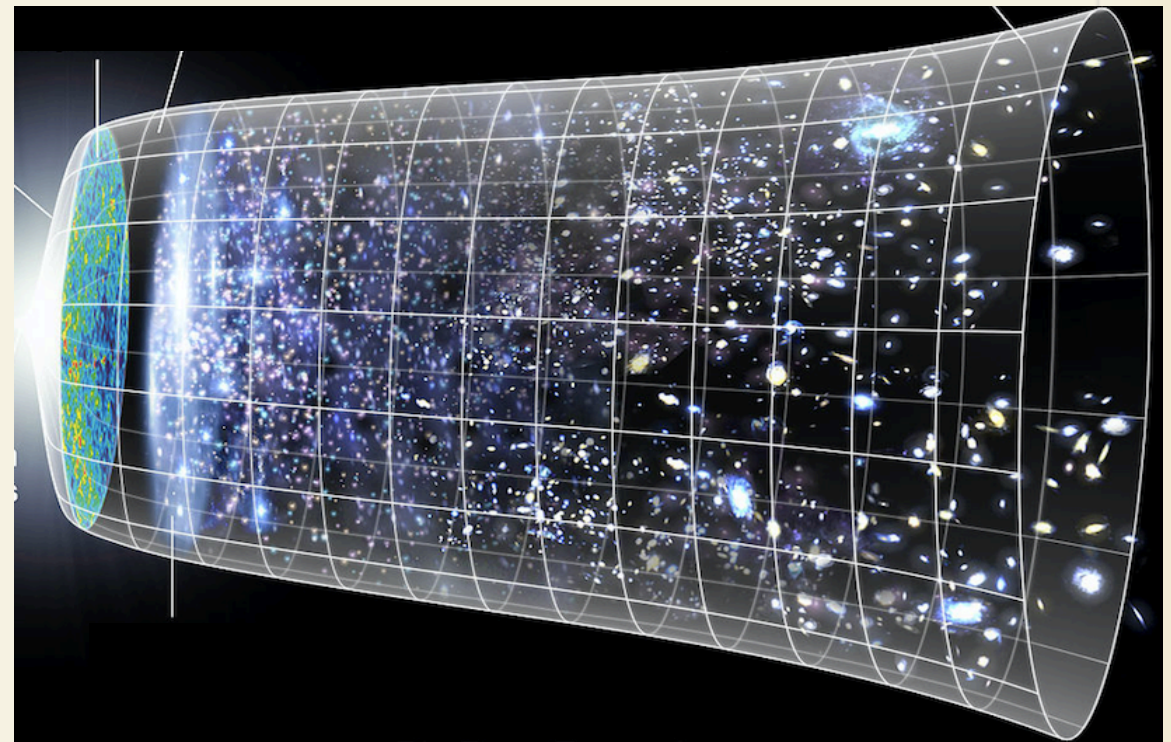


# Gravitational Singularities are Nightmare



**Graviton or Photon  
(mediator is massless)**

$$V \sim \frac{1}{r}$$



**Locality is one of the pillars of Quantum Field Theory !**

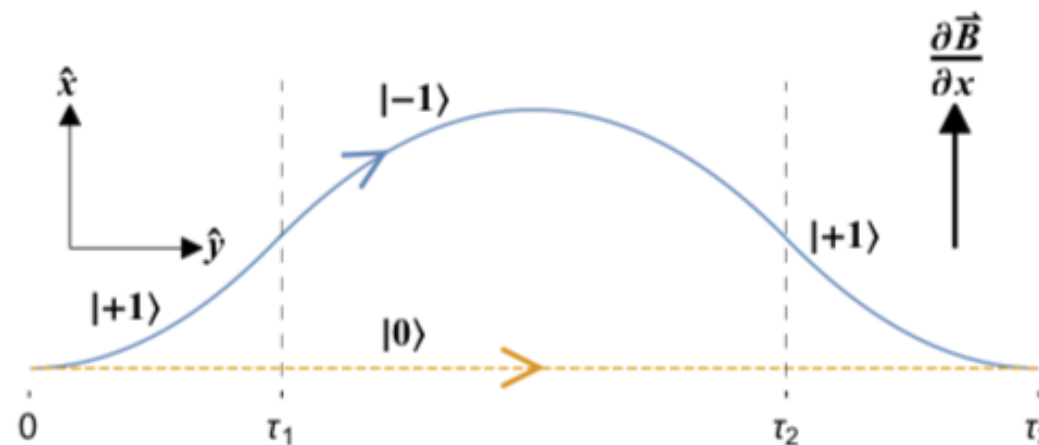


# Gravitational Induced Phase is Detectable !

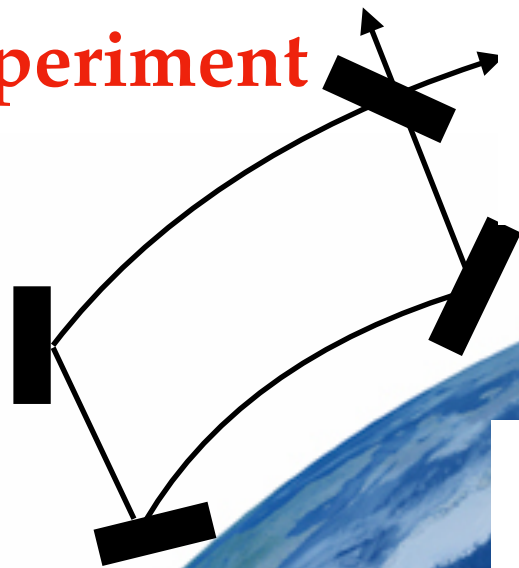
$$\Delta\phi \sim i \frac{S(G, \dots)}{\hbar} \quad \text{around Earth's gravitational potential}$$

**MIMAC**

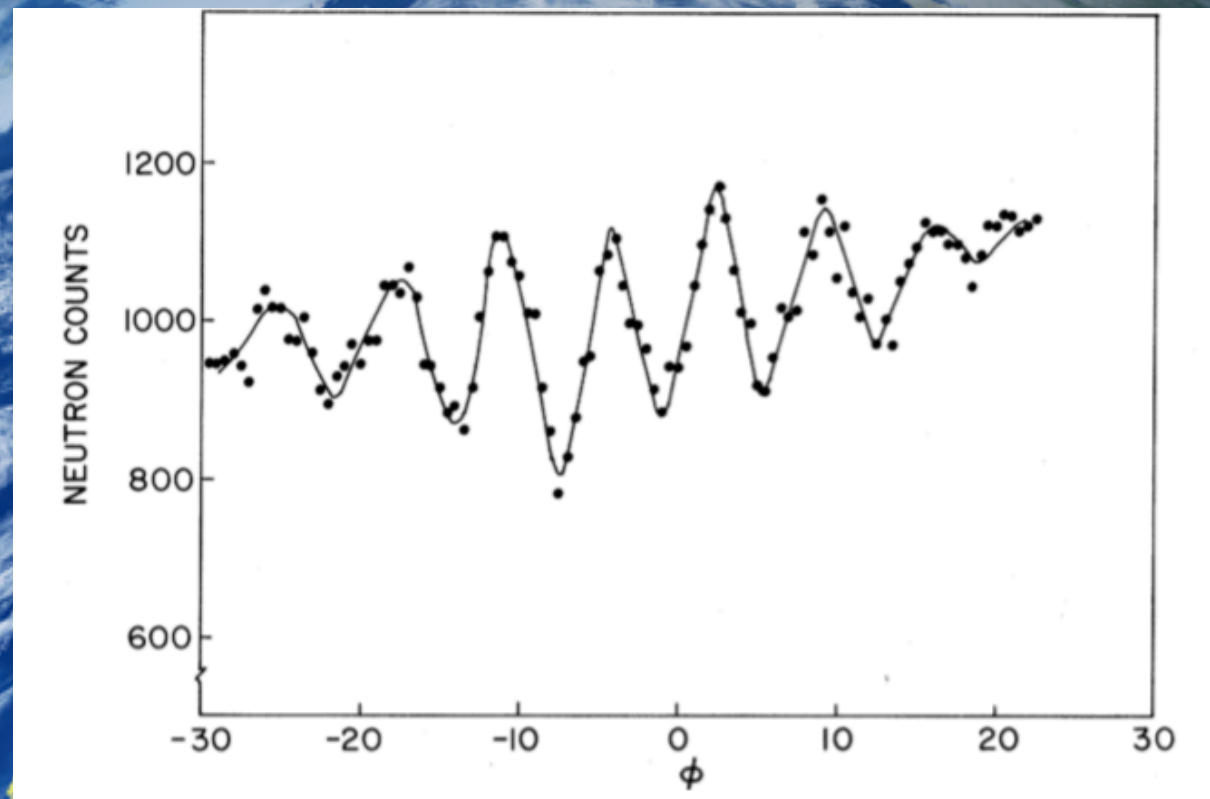
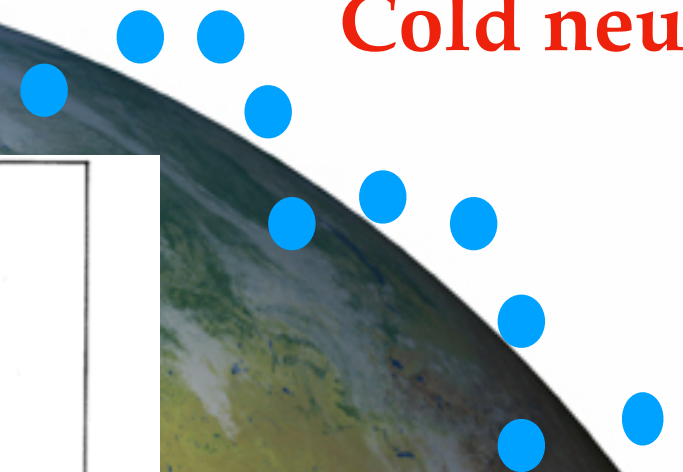
Mesoscopic Interferometer for Metric and Curvature



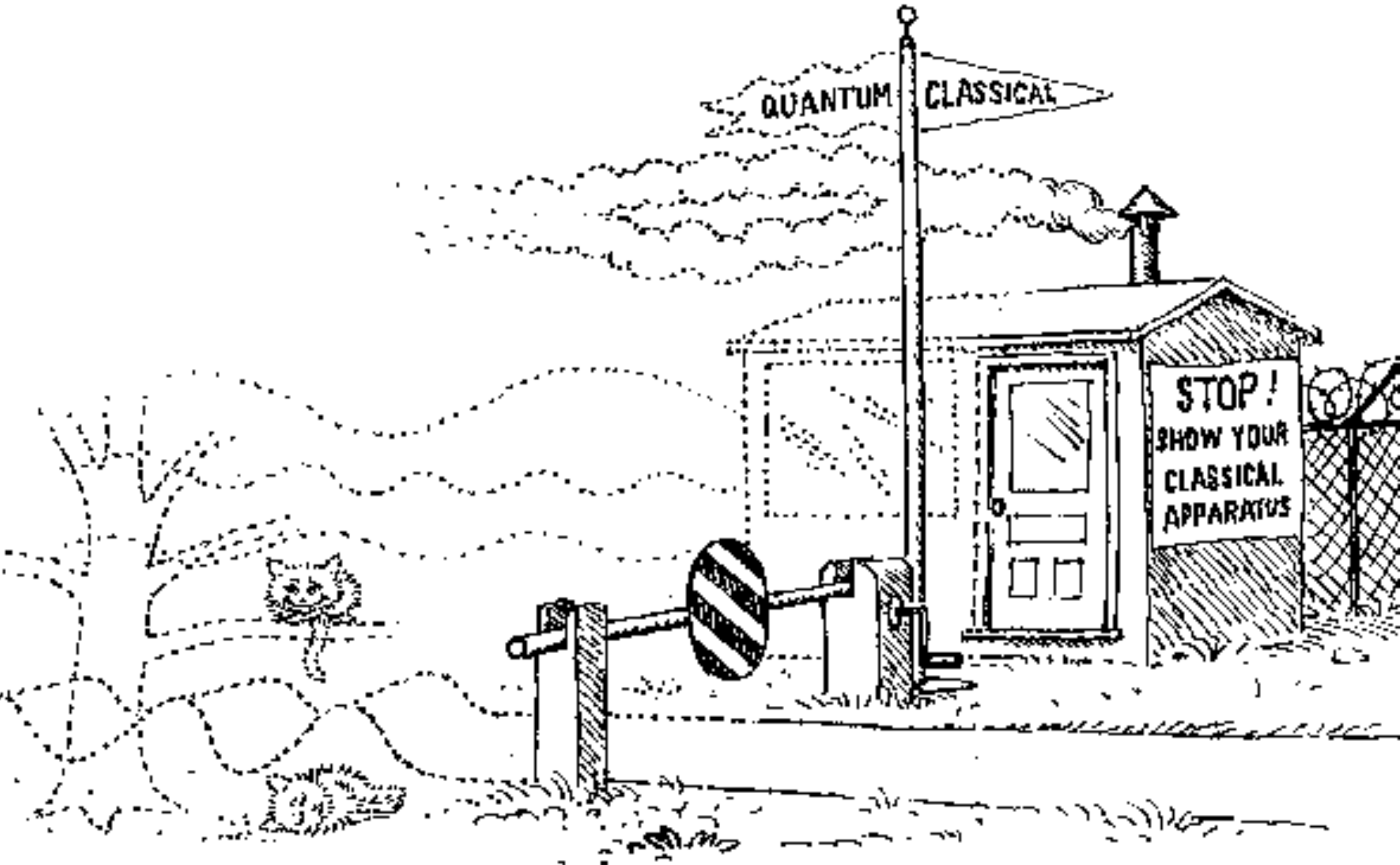
**COW Experiment**



**Bouncing  
Cold neutron**

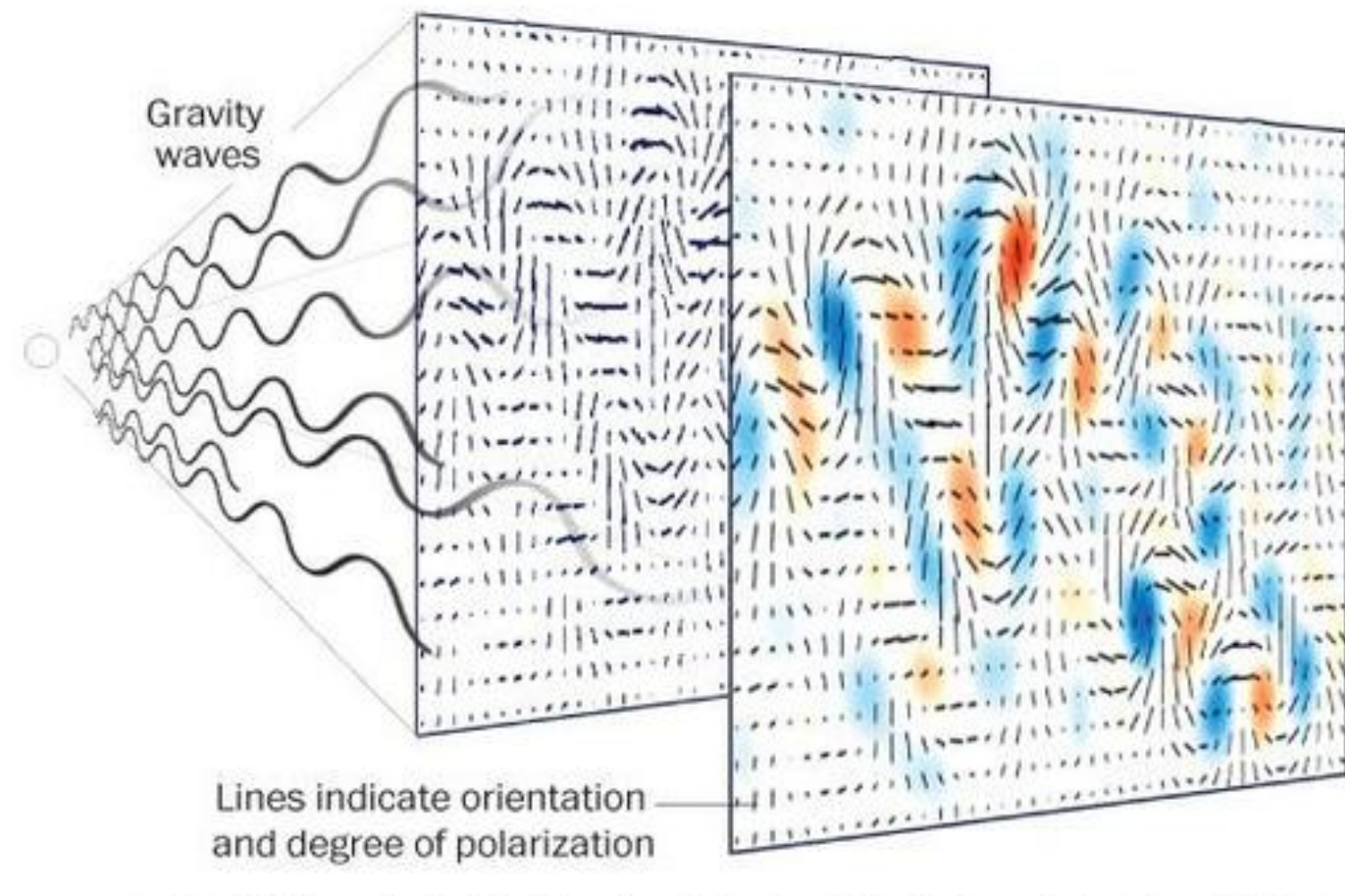


# Is Gravity Quantum or Classical ?





# Shaking the Box: Gravitational Waves



**Caution!**

Positive Detection of a B-mode polarization by BICEP (2013)

But the origin was not found to be primordial in nature.

## Initial Conditions; Classical or Quantum?

Mere presence of  $\hbar$  is not sufficient to say that gravity is quantum !

A. Ashoorioon, P. S. Bhupal Dev and A. Mazumdar,  
"Implications of purely classical gravity for inflationary tensor modes,"  
[arXiv:1211.4678 [hep-th]].

L. M. Krauss and F. Wilczek,  
"Using Cosmology to Establish the Quantization of Gravity,"  
[arXiv:1309.5343 [hep-th]].

# Initial Initiatives against Semi-Classical Gravity

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## Indirect Evidence for Quantum Gravity

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(Received 9 June 1981)

An experiment gave results inconsistent with the simplest alternative to quantum gravity, the semiclassical Einstein equations. This evidence supports (but does not prove) the hypothesis that a consistent theory of gravity coupled to quantized matter should also have the gravitational field quantized.

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \kappa^2 \langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle$$





# Levels of Excitements ...



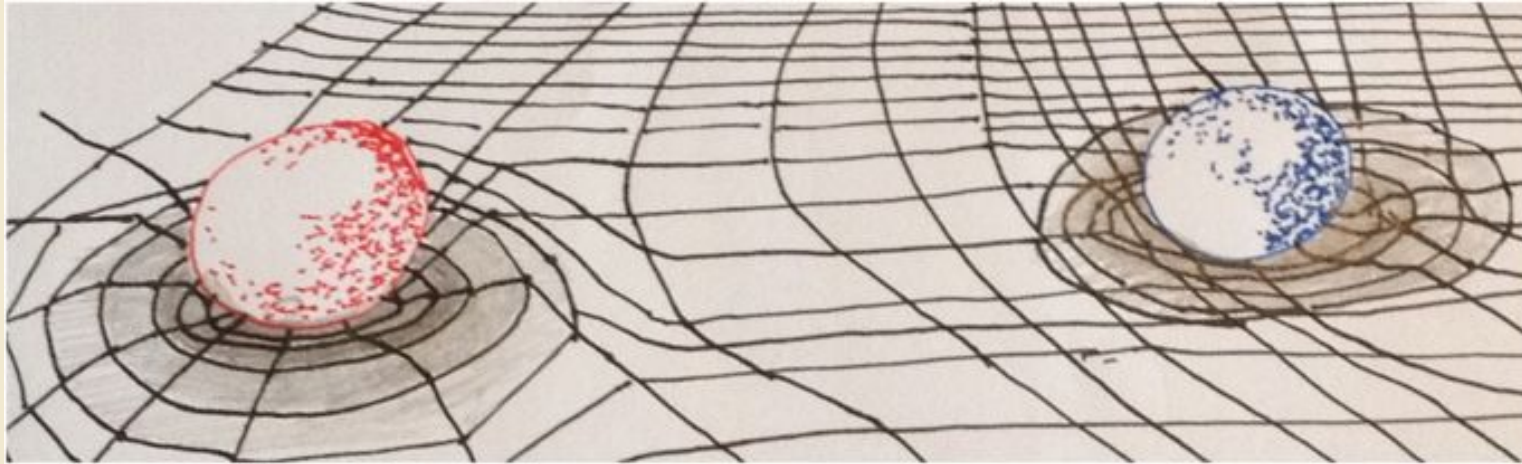
**Can we put a graviton in a quantum superposition?**

**Can we study coalescing atoms, and see the loss of gravitons ( quantized ) in a laboratory?**

**Can we witness quantum entanglement due to gravitons ?**



# Localized Gravity: Classical or Quantum?



Spacetime perturbations can also be localized

$h_{\mu\nu}$  are also localized

They can also propagate

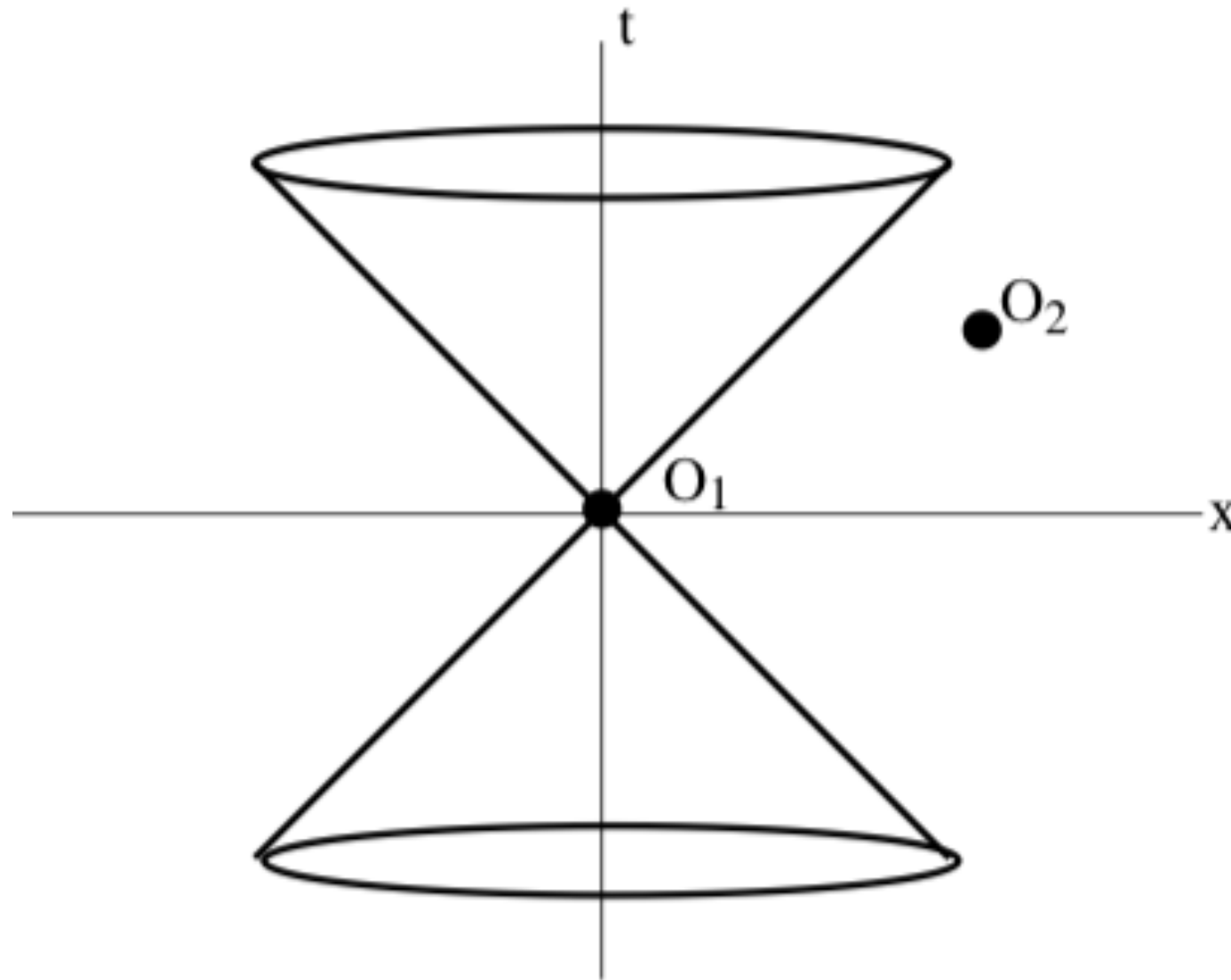


Like Gravitational Waves



# Classical Action at a Distance

- “Classical picture” – particles act as sources for fields which give rise a potential in which other particles scatter – “action at a distance”

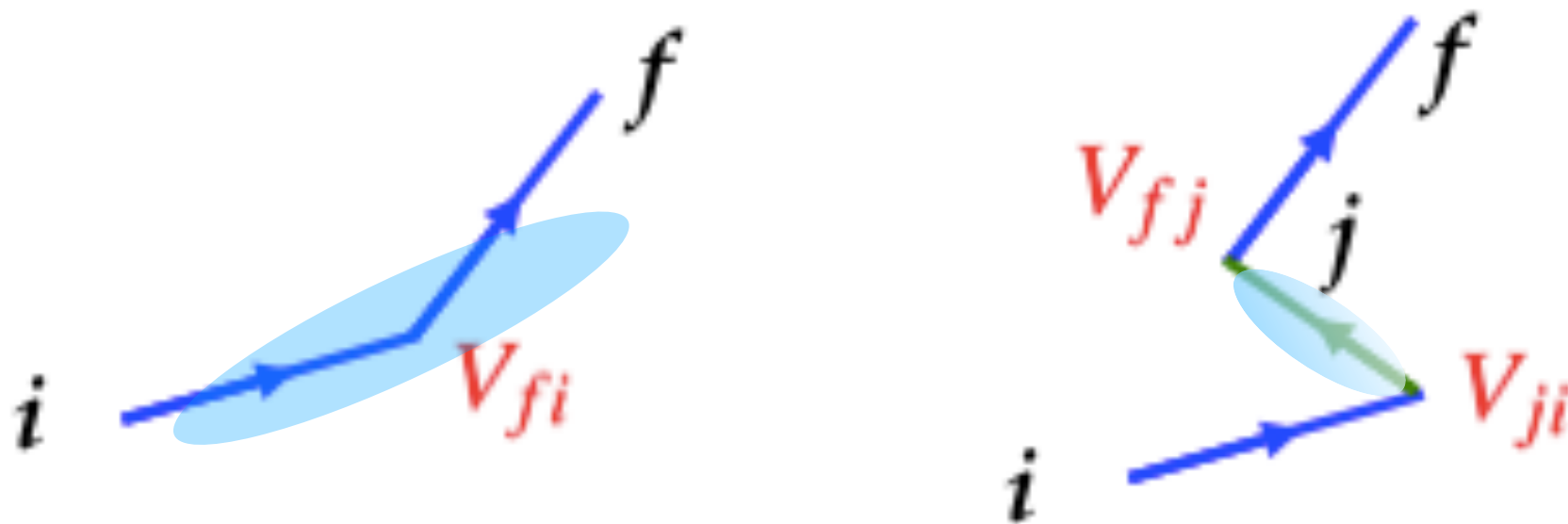


**Violates Special Relativity**

# Quantum Scattering

- “Classical picture” – particles act as sources for fields which give rise a potential in which other particles scatter – “action at a distance”
- “Quantum Field Theory picture” – forces arise due to the exchange of virtual particles. No action at a distance + **forces** between particles now **due to particles**

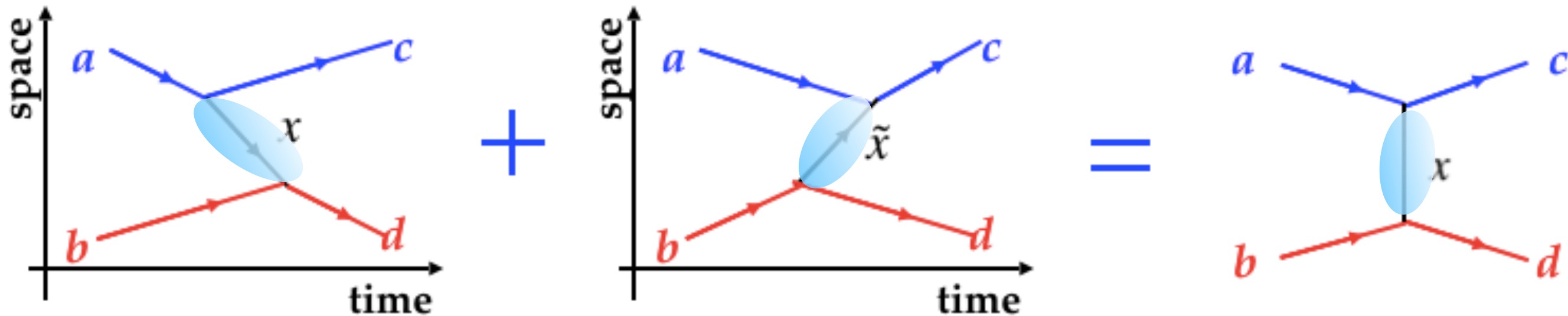
$$T_{fi} = \langle f|V|i\rangle + \sum_{j \neq i} \frac{\langle f|V|j\rangle \langle j|V|i\rangle}{E_i - E_j} + \dots$$





# Quantum Mechanics —> Quantum Field Theory

- The sum over all possible time-orderings is represented by a **FEYNMAN diagram**



- Momentum conserved at vertices
- Energy **not** conserved at vertices
- Exchanged particle **"on mass shell"**

$$E_x^2 - |\vec{p}_x|^2 = m_x^2$$

- Momentum **AND** energy conserved at interaction vertices
- Exchanged particle **"off mass shell"**

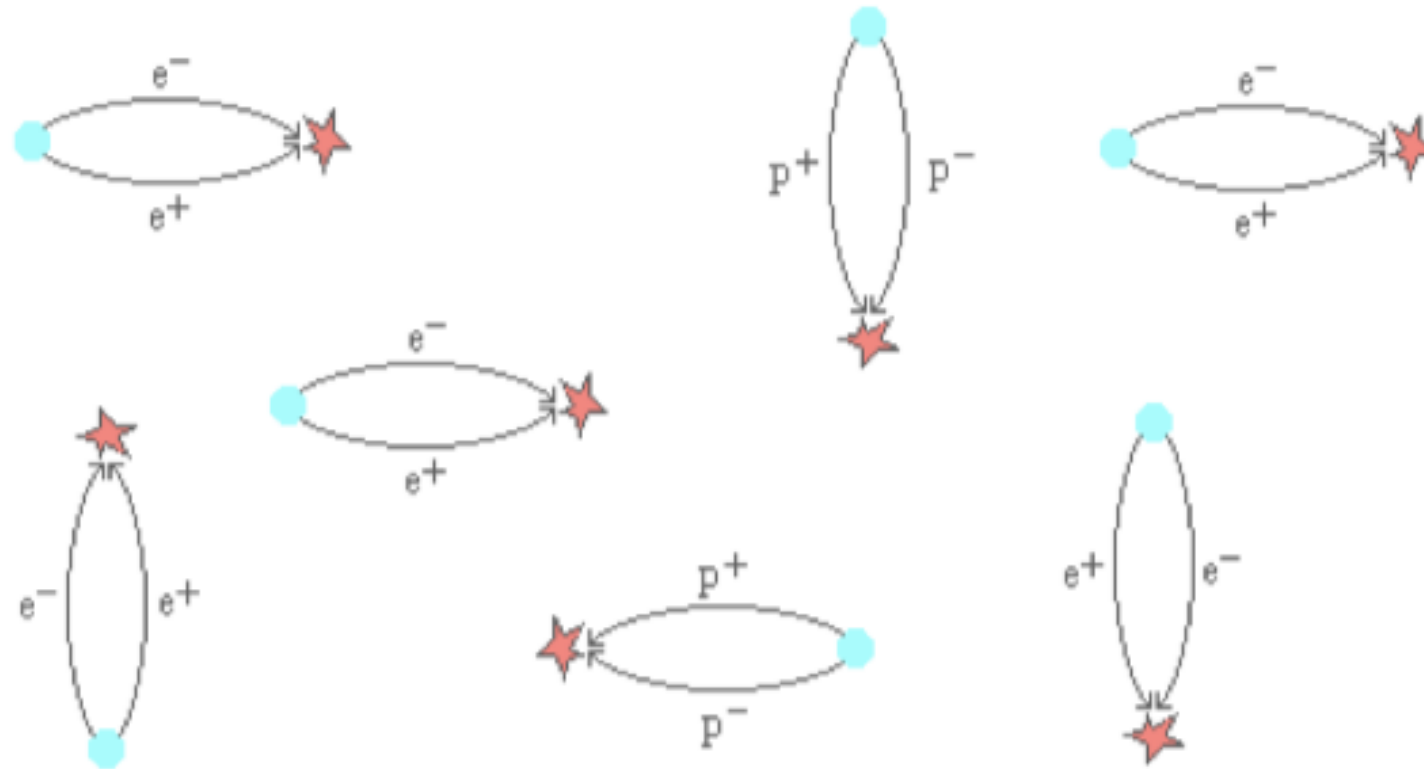
$$E_x^2 - |\vec{p}_x|^2 = q^2 \neq m_x^2$$

**VIRTUAL PARTICLE**

$$\Delta x \Delta p_x \geq \hbar$$

**On-shell ( Follows Classical Equations of Motion ):**  $E^2 = (pc)^2 + (mc^2)^2$   
**Off-shell does not follow Classical Equations of Motion**

# Off-shell Processes are Quantum



**Our Vacuum is inherently Quantum**

**What aspects of quantum-ness of gravity  
we wish to test ?**

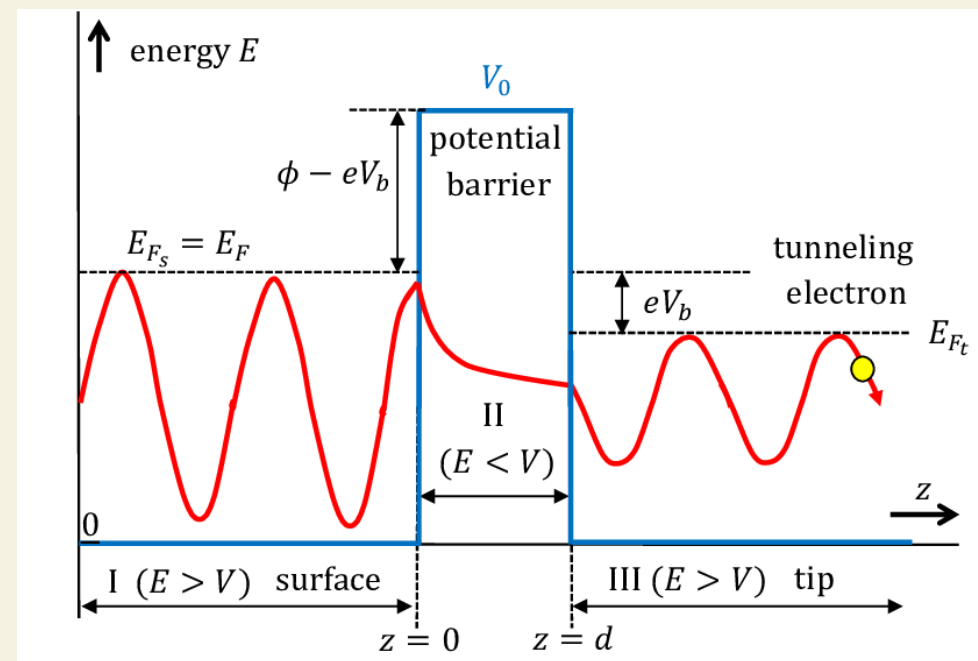
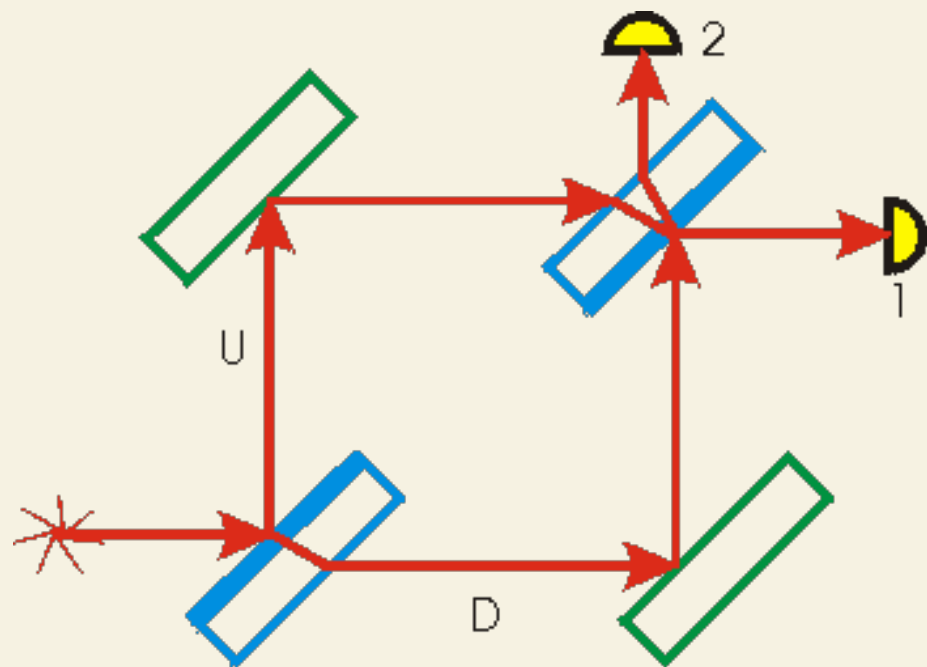


# 1) Quantum Superposition & Off-Shell processes

The Superposition Principle **Underpins** Quantum Mechanics



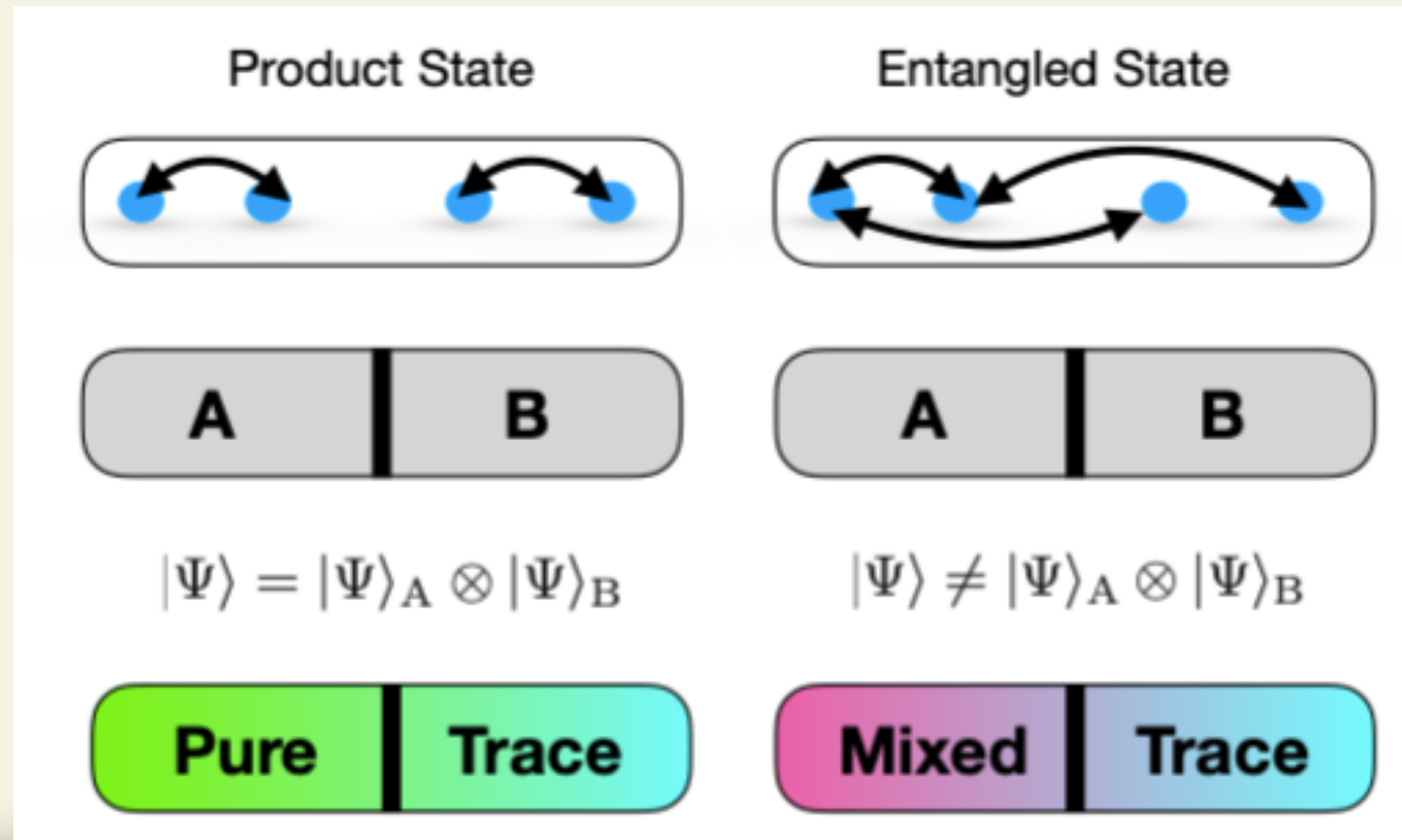
Very familiar  
in experiments



**Beam Splitter: Essential to Create Superposition of States**

**A manifestation of an off-shell process**

## 2) Entangled State



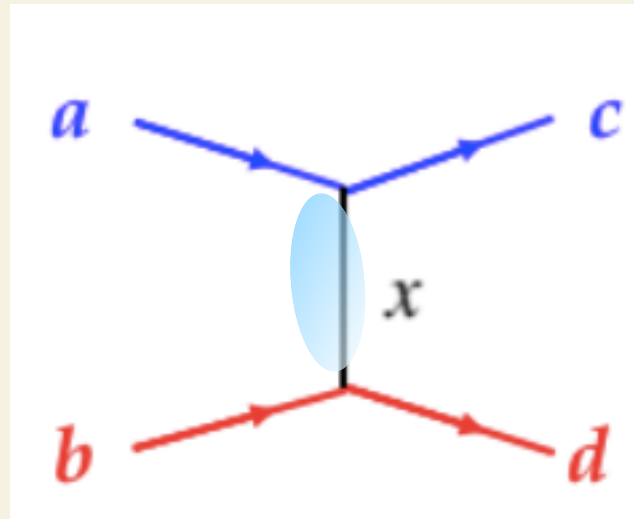
Non-Classical Correlation

- Entangled state cannot be generated by local operations and classical communications

Any interaction on Quantum Superposed System can lead to Decoherence & Entanglement

# Could we test Quantum-ness of a Mediator?

What this means?



Mediator/interaction is Classical or Quantum?

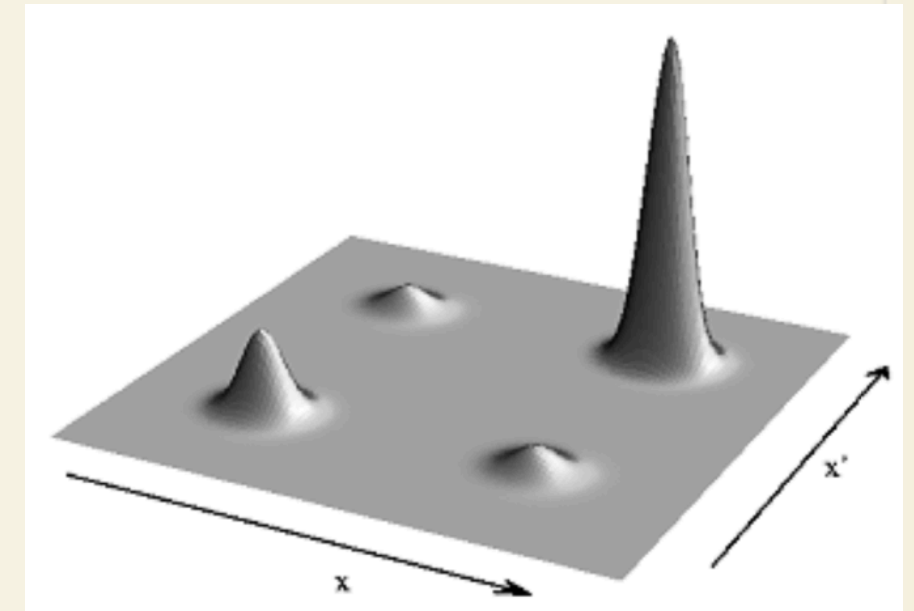
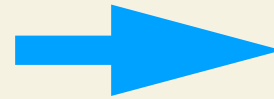
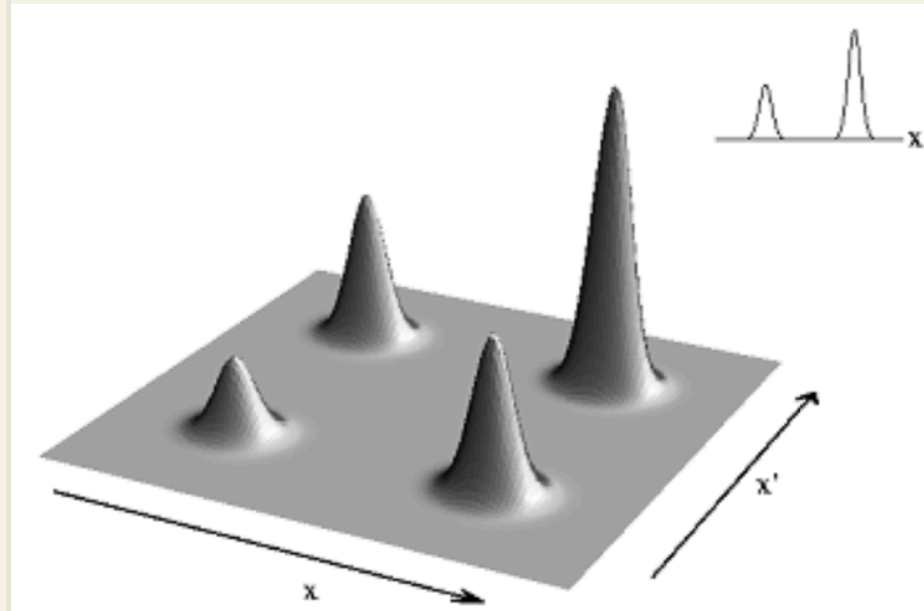
We will not be able to falsify Action at a Distance



Entanglement and Decoherence are two sides of the same coin

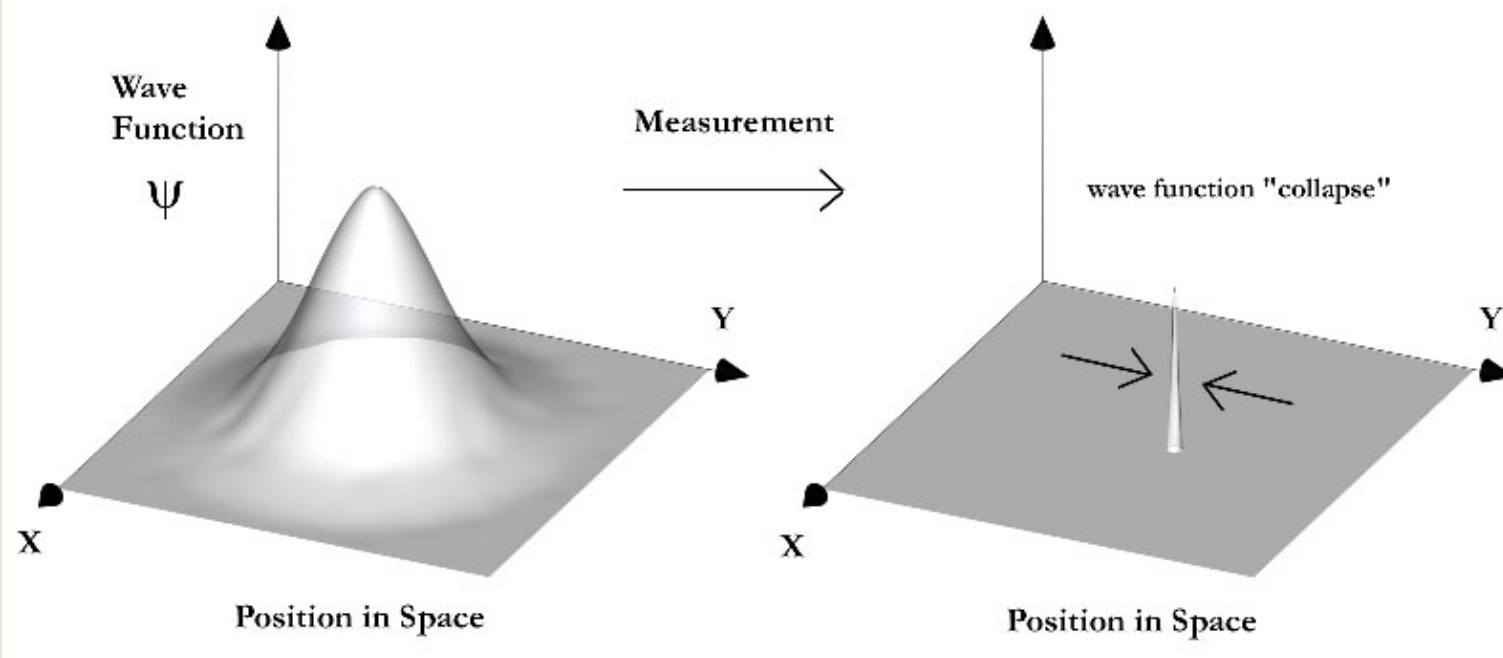


# Coherence to Decoherence



## Extreme: Collapse of a Wavefunction (Non-linear)

The Copenhagen Interpretation:



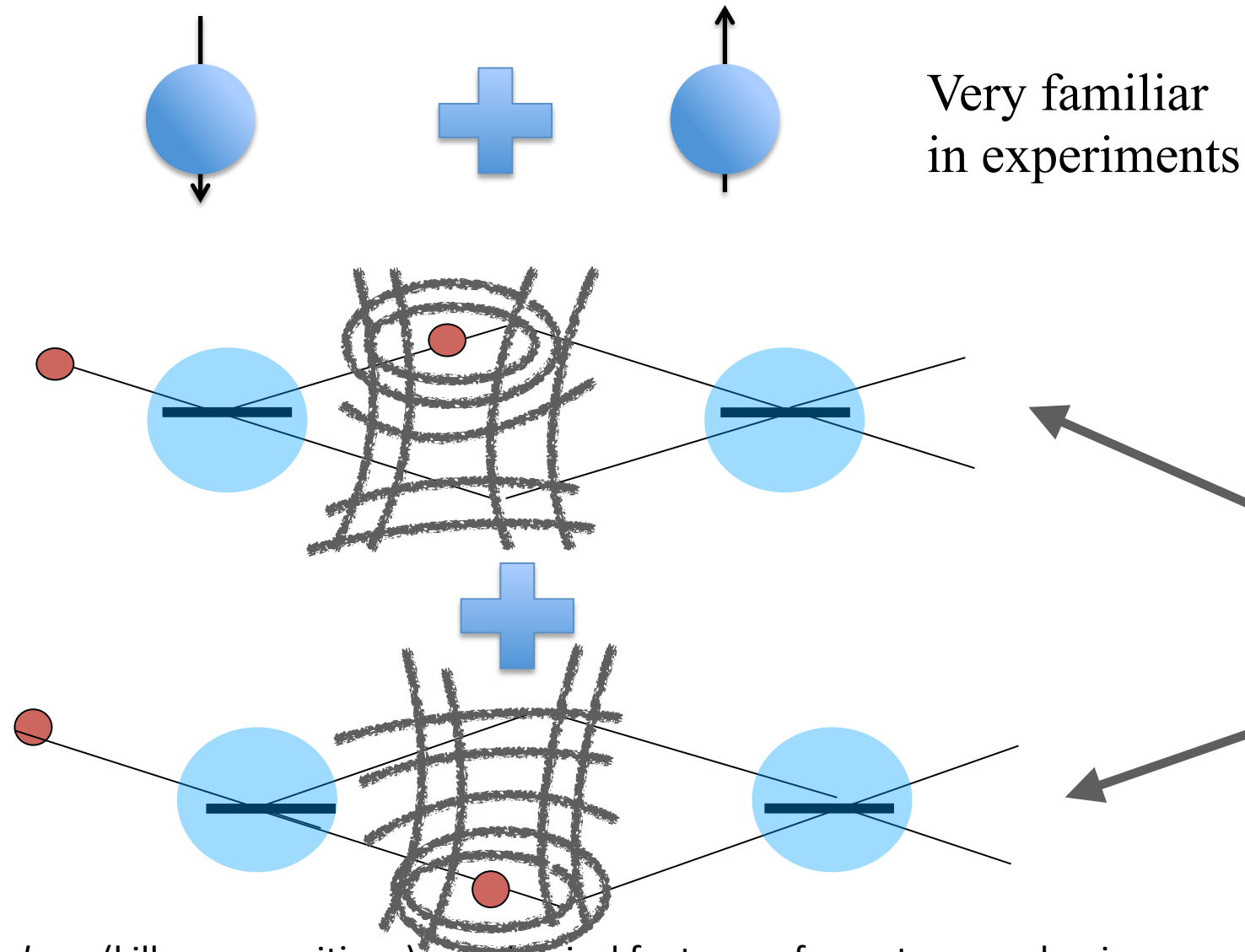
Landau (1927), Mott (1929), Heisenberg (1958), Zeh (1970), Zurek (1981)

Gerhardi, Diosi, Penrose,...

We can put constraints on a Collapse Model but can not falsify it

# Superposition of Metric

The Superposition Principle **Underpins** Quantum Mechanics



*Off-shellness is critical even before creating superposition of macroscopic objects in a lab!!*

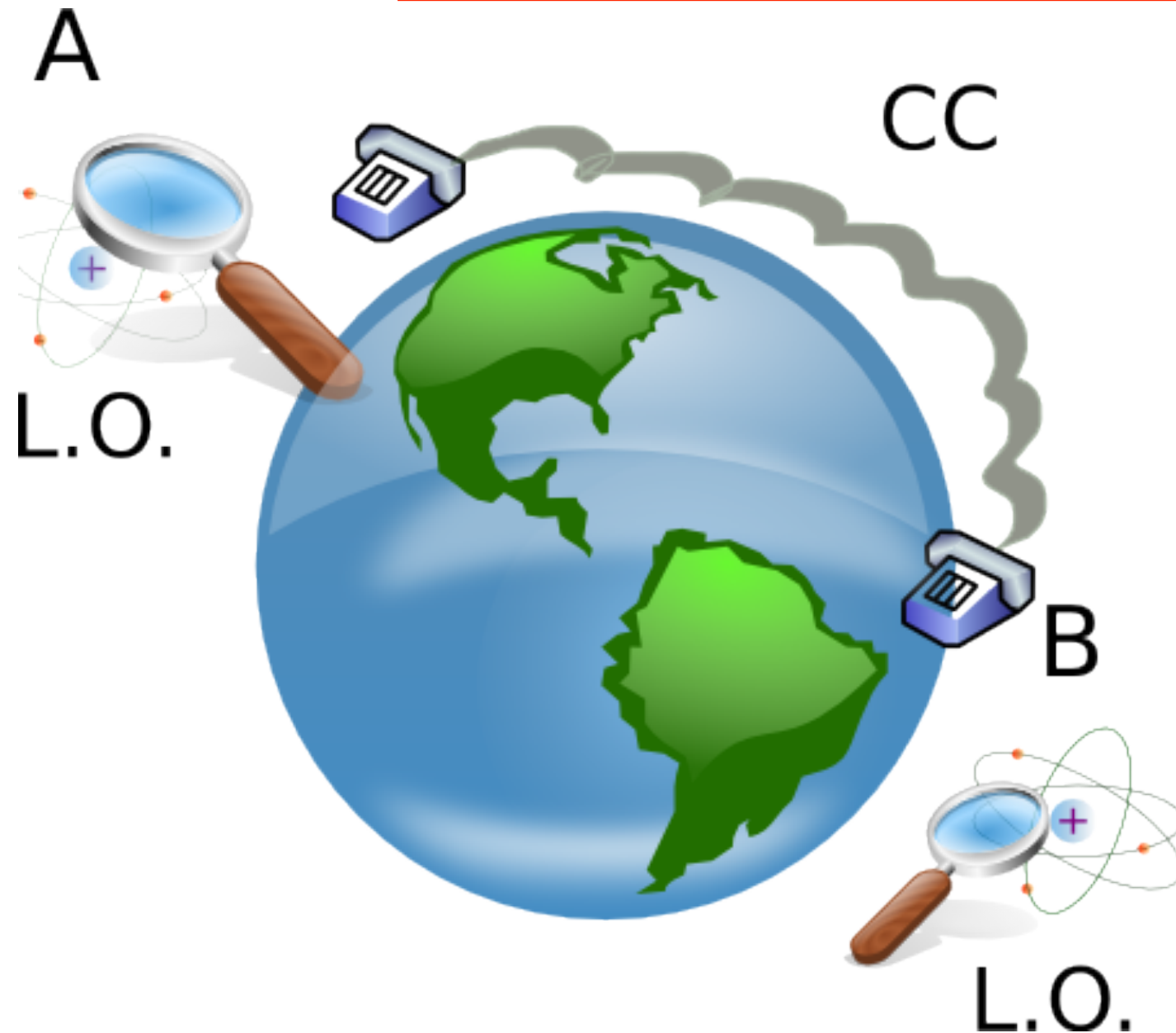
*Localization of 2 distinct classical paths*

If you *decohere* (kill superpositions) nonclassical features of quantum mechanics go away. Even old quantum mechanics: the right difference between energy levels obtained only through a superposition of localized states.

**How do we know that Gravity is Quantum?**

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \kappa^2 \langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle$$

# Local Operations & Classical Communication (LOCC)



- It is impossible to generate/increase entanglement between A and B by local operations and classical communications

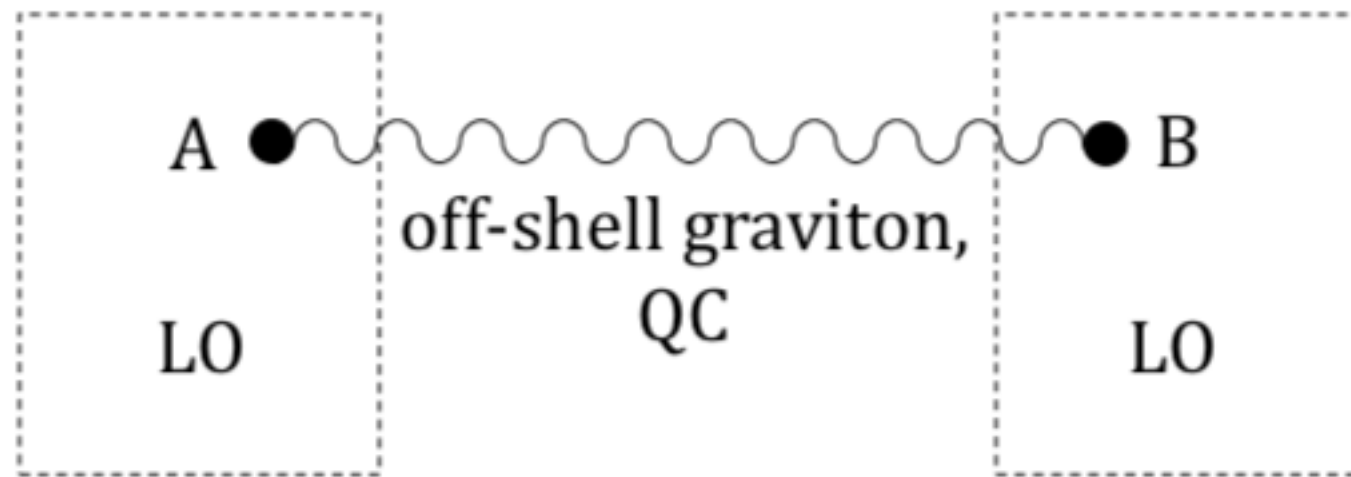
**LOCC keeps Separable state remains Separable ( Cannot create entanglement )**

Bennett, et.al, (1996)

Review by Plenio+Virmani (2006)



# LOQC: Local operation & Quantum Communication



$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + \kappa h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$S_{EH} = \frac{1}{4} \int d^4x h_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{O}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} h_{\rho\sigma} + \mathcal{O}(\kappa h^3)$$

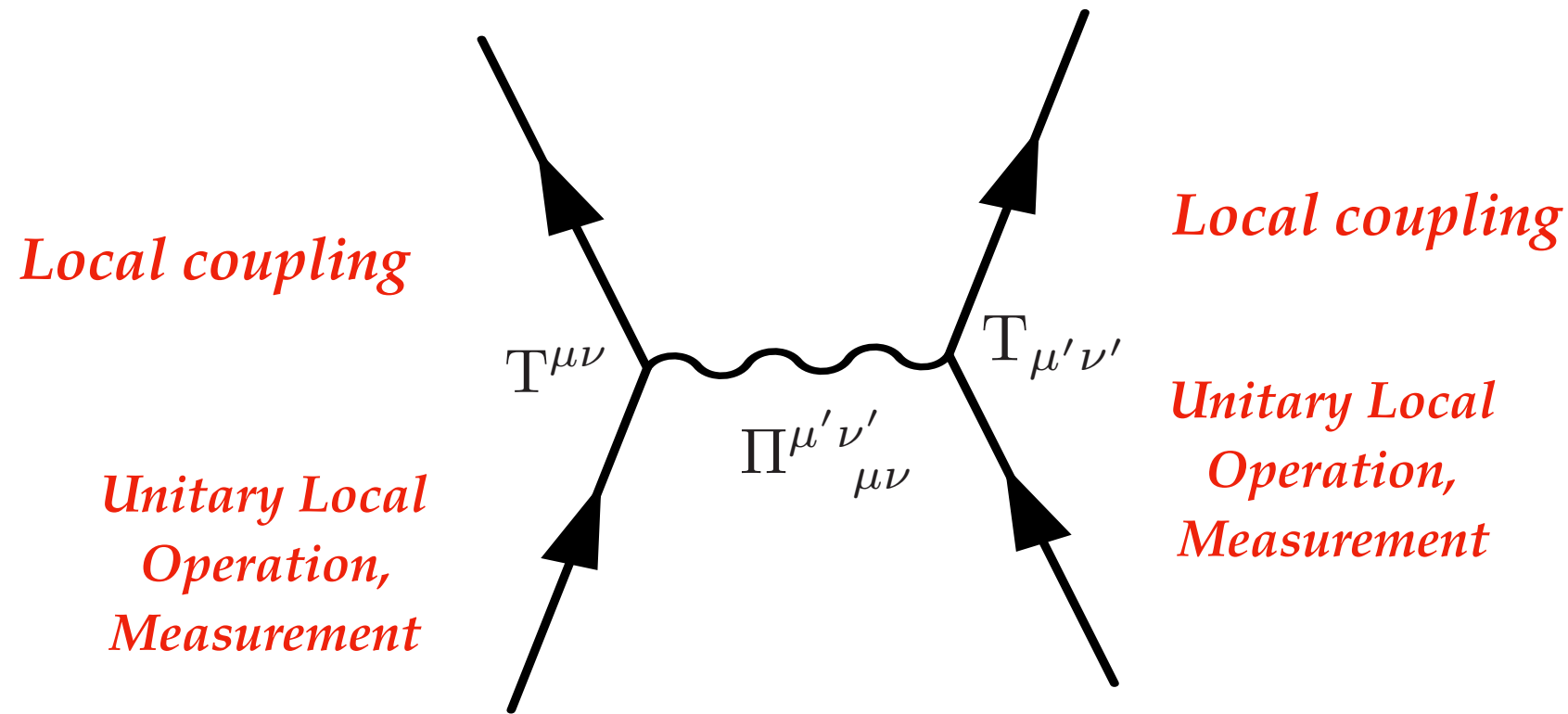
$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{O}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} := & \frac{1}{4} (\eta^{\mu\rho} \eta^{\nu\sigma} + \eta^{\mu\sigma} \eta^{\nu\rho}) \square - \frac{1}{2} \eta^{\mu\nu} \eta^{\rho\sigma} \square \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\eta^{\mu\nu} \partial^\rho \partial^\sigma + \eta^{\rho\sigma} \partial^\mu \partial^\nu - \eta^{\mu\rho} \partial^\nu \partial^\sigma - \eta^{\mu\sigma} \partial^\nu \partial^\rho) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Pi_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}(k) = \left( \frac{\mathcal{P}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}^2}{k^2} - \frac{\mathcal{P}_{s, \mu\nu\rho\sigma}^0}{2k^2} \right)$$

**Gauge invariant propagator**

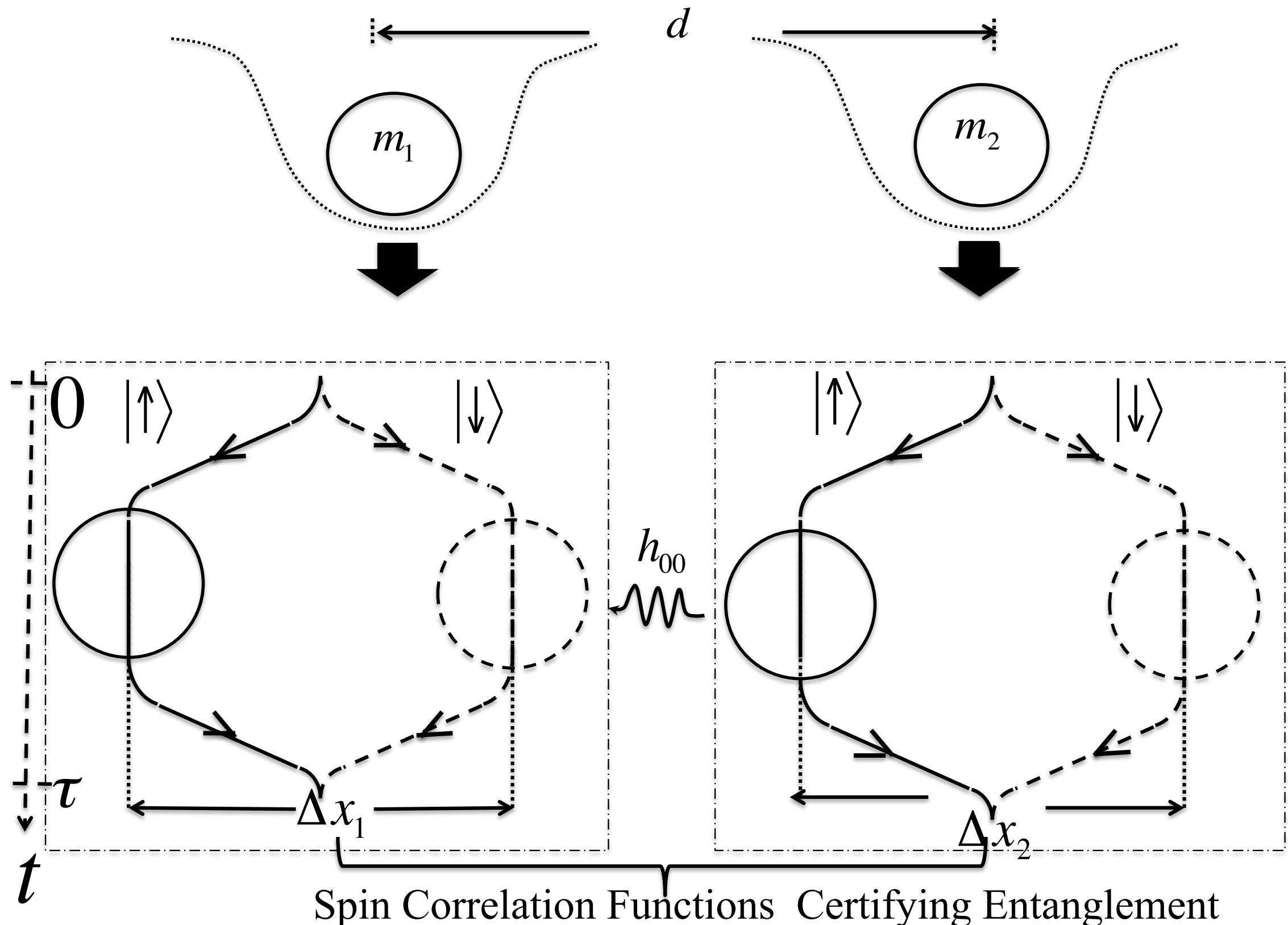
# LOQC: Local Operation & Quantum Communication

Graviton as an Off-shell/Virtual mediator



$$\begin{aligned}\Phi(r) &= -\kappa^2 \int \frac{d^3|\vec{k}|}{(2\pi)^3} T_1^{00}(k) \Pi_{0000}(k) T_2^{00}(-k) e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{r})} \\ &= -\frac{\kappa^2 m}{2} \int \frac{d^3|\vec{k}|}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{1}{\vec{k}^2} e^{i\vec{k}\cdot(\vec{r})} = -\frac{Gm}{r},\end{aligned}$$

# Experimental Protocol: 2 Free Falling Superposed masses





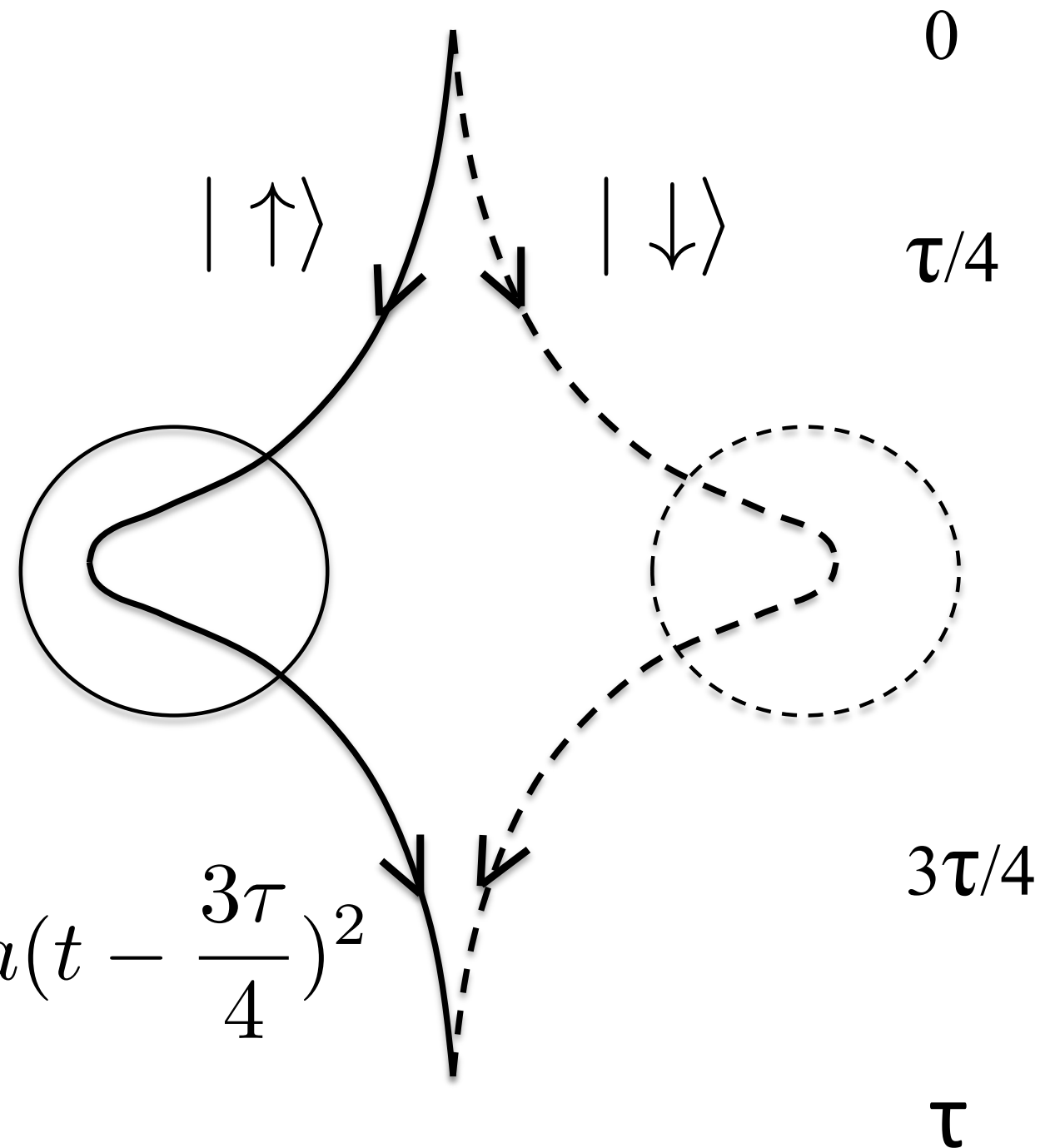
# How can we increase the scale of the superposition?

*Free* particle in an inhomogeneous magnetic field (acceleration  $+a$  or  $-a$ )

$$x_{\sigma}(t, j) = x_j(0) \pm \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

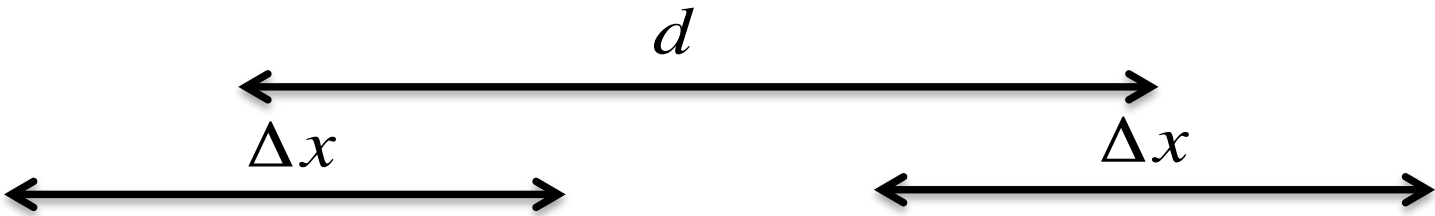
$$= \frac{a\tau}{4} \left(t - \frac{\tau}{4}\right) \mp \frac{1}{2}a \left(t - \frac{\tau}{4}\right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}a \left(\frac{\tau}{4}\right)^2 \mp \frac{a\tau}{4} \left(t - \frac{3\tau}{4}\right) \pm \frac{1}{2}a \left(t - \frac{3\tau}{4}\right)^2$$



**100 micron separation for 1 sec**

- M. Scala, M. S. Kim, G. W. Morley, P. F. Barker, S. Bose, PRL. **111**, 180403 (2013)



$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi(t=0)\rangle_{12} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|L\rangle_1 + |R\rangle_1) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(|L\rangle_2 + |R\rangle_2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(|L\rangle_1|L\rangle_2 + |L\rangle_1|R\rangle_2 + |R\rangle_1|L\rangle_2 + |R\rangle_1|R\rangle_2) \\ \rightarrow |\Psi(t=\tau)\rangle_{12} &= \frac{1}{2}(e^{i\phi_{LL}}|L\rangle_1|L\rangle_2 + e^{i\phi_{LR}}|L\rangle_1|R\rangle_2 \\ &\quad + e^{i\phi_{RL}}|R\rangle_1|L\rangle_2 + e^{i\phi_{RR}}|R\rangle_1|R\rangle_2), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\phi_{RL} \sim \frac{Gm_1m_2\tau}{\hbar(d - \Delta x)}, \phi_{LR} \sim \frac{Gm_1m_2\tau}{\hbar(d + \Delta x)},$$

$$\phi_{LL} = \phi_{RR} \sim \frac{Gm_1m_2\tau}{\hbar d}$$

# Maximum Entanglement

Step 4: Witness spin entangled state:

$$|\Psi(t = t_{\text{End}})\rangle_{12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left\{ |\uparrow\rangle_1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|\uparrow\rangle_2 + e^{i\Delta\phi_{LR}} |\downarrow\rangle_2) \right. \\ \left. + |\downarrow\rangle_1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (e^{i\Delta\phi_{RL}} |\uparrow\rangle_2 + |\downarrow\rangle_2) \right\} |C\rangle_1 |C\rangle_2$$

through the correlations:

$$\mathcal{W} = |\langle \sigma_x^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_z^{(2)} \rangle - \langle \sigma_y^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_z^{(2)} \rangle|$$

we have

$$\Delta\phi_{RL} \sim \frac{Gm_1m_2\tau}{\hbar(d - \Delta x)} \gg \Delta\phi_{LR}, \Delta\phi_{LL}, \Delta\phi_{RR}$$

$$\Delta\phi_{LR} + \Delta\phi_{RL} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$$

For mass  $\sim 10^{-14}$  kg (microspheres), separation at closest approach of the masses  $\sim 200$  microns (to prevent Casimir interaction), **time  $\sim 1$  seconds**, gives:

Scale of superposition  $\sim 100$  microns,  **$\Delta\phi_{RL} \sim 1$**

Planck's Constant fights Newton's Constant!



# Experimental Challenges



$$10^{-14} K g$$

Radius : 100nm

Frequency of harmonic potential : 0.1MHz

Temperature : mK

**Neutralising e.m. charges**

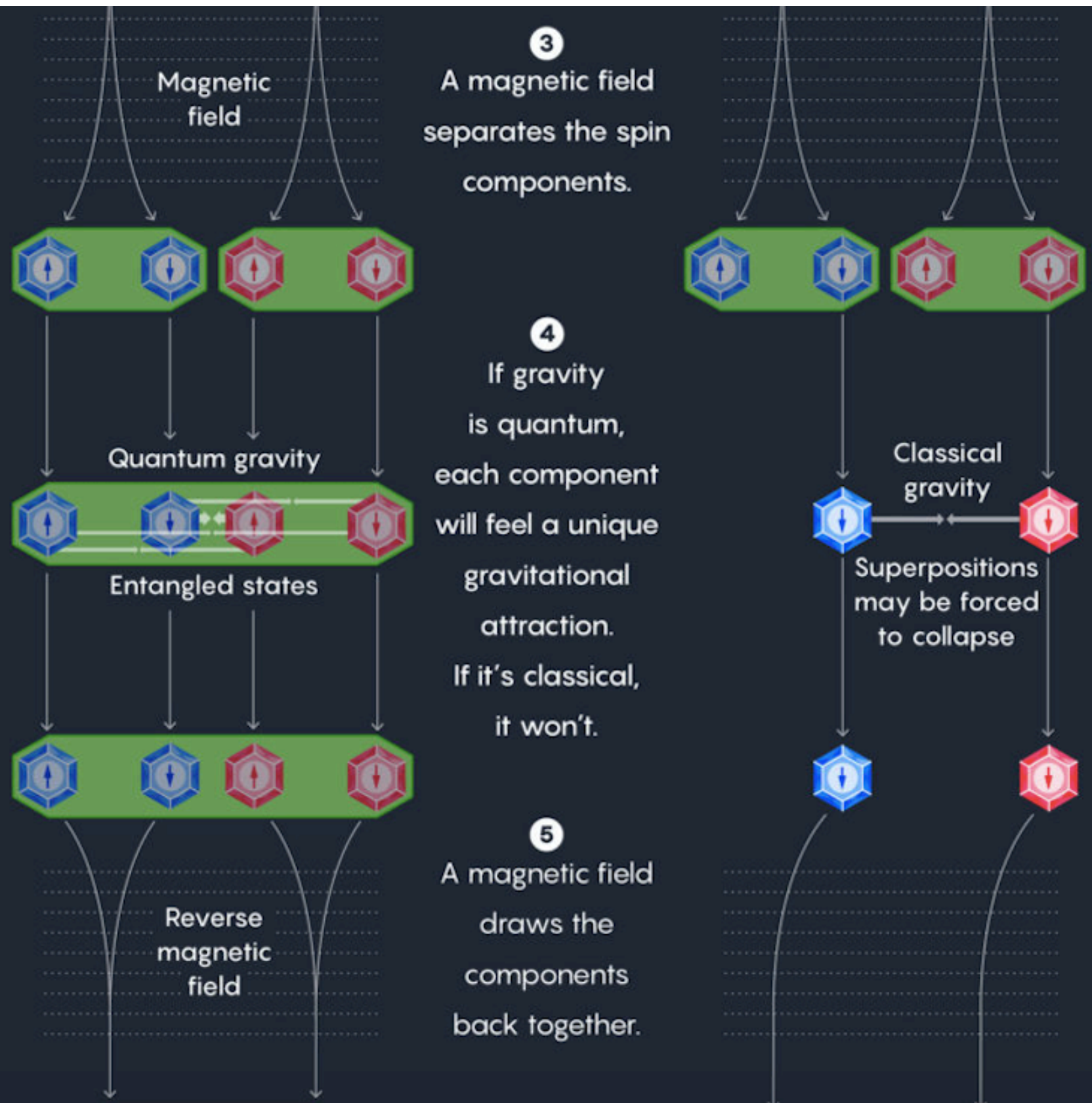
**A magnetic field gradient of  $\sim 10^6$  T/m and a time  $\tau_{acc} \sim 500$  m/s<sup>2</sup>,  
 $\Delta x \sim 250\mu\text{m}$ ,  $d-\Delta x \sim 200\mu\text{m}$**

T. Krisnanda, M. Zuppardo, M. Paternostro, T. Paterek, arXiv:1607.01140. Superconducting sphere with half a micrometer separation ( magnetically levitating)

C. Wan, M. Scala, G. W. Morley, ATM. A. Rahman, H. Ulbricht, J. Bateman, P. F. Barker, S. Bose, and M. S. Kim, Phys. Rev. Lett. 117, 143003 (2016); M. Frimmer, K. Luszcz, S. Ferreira, V. Jain, E. Hebestreit, and L. Novotny, Phys. Rev. A 95, 061801 (2017).

H. Pino, J. Prat-Camps, K. Sinha, B. P. Venkatesh, and O. Romero-Isart, arXiv:1603.01553v2

# Challenges & Sources of Decoherence



Electronic spins coherent for 1s (in steps 1 and 3), which should be possible for macro-diamond below 77 K

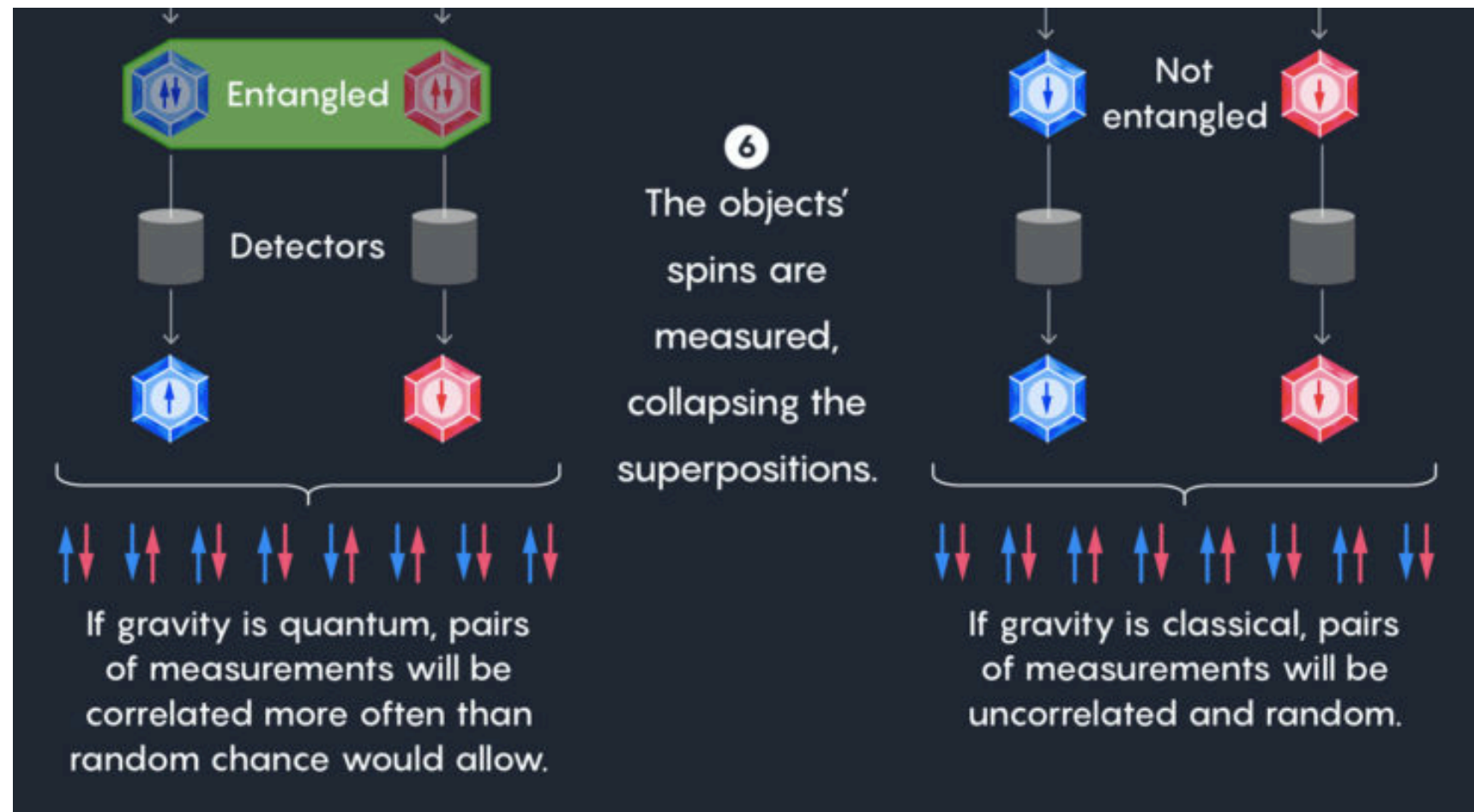
N. Bar-Gill, L.M. Pham, A. Jarmola, D. Budker, R. L. Walsworth, *Nature Comm*, 4, 1743 (2013),

S. Knowles, D. M. Kara and M. Atatüre, *Nature Materials* 13, 21 (2014),

Kaltenbaek, Aspelmeyer, (2015)

To estimate collisional and thermal decoherence times of the orbital degree of freedom we consider the pressure  $P = 10^{-15} \text{ Pa}$  and the temperature 0.15 K. the collisional decoherence time for a superposition size of  $\Delta x \sim 250 \mu\text{m}$  is the same order of magnitude as the total microsphere's fall time  $\tau + 2\tau_{\text{acc}} \sim 3.5 \text{ s}$

# Measuring Spin Correlation & Establishing the Entanglement



$$\mathcal{W} = |\langle \sigma_x^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_z^{(2)} \rangle - \langle \sigma_y^{(1)} \otimes \sigma_z^{(2)} \rangle|$$

If  $\mathcal{W} > 1 \implies \textit{Graviton is quantum}$

Basis Dependent Witness, similar to Bell's

**Basis Independent Witness:**

$$S_A = -\text{Tr}_A \rho_A \log \rho_A = S_B$$



**Different theories of gravity will  
provide different witnesses!**

**Conformal Gravity?**

**Ghost free, infinite derivative gravity which is free from cosmological  
and  $1/r$  singularities**



# Probing UV Gravity

(1) GR:  $\lim_{k^2 \rightarrow 0} \Pi = (\mathcal{P}^2/k^2) - (\mathcal{P}_s^0/2k^2) \equiv \Pi_{GR}$

## (2) F(R) Gravity:

$$\mathcal{L}(R) = \mathcal{L}(0) + \mathcal{L}'(0)R + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{L}''(0)R^2 + \dots$$

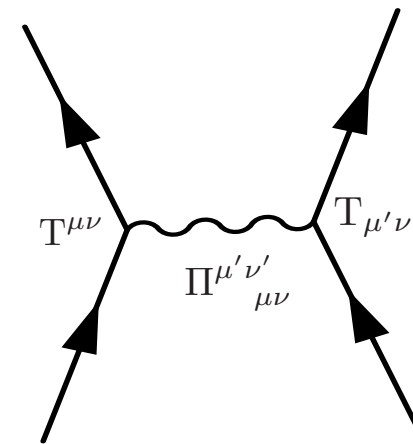
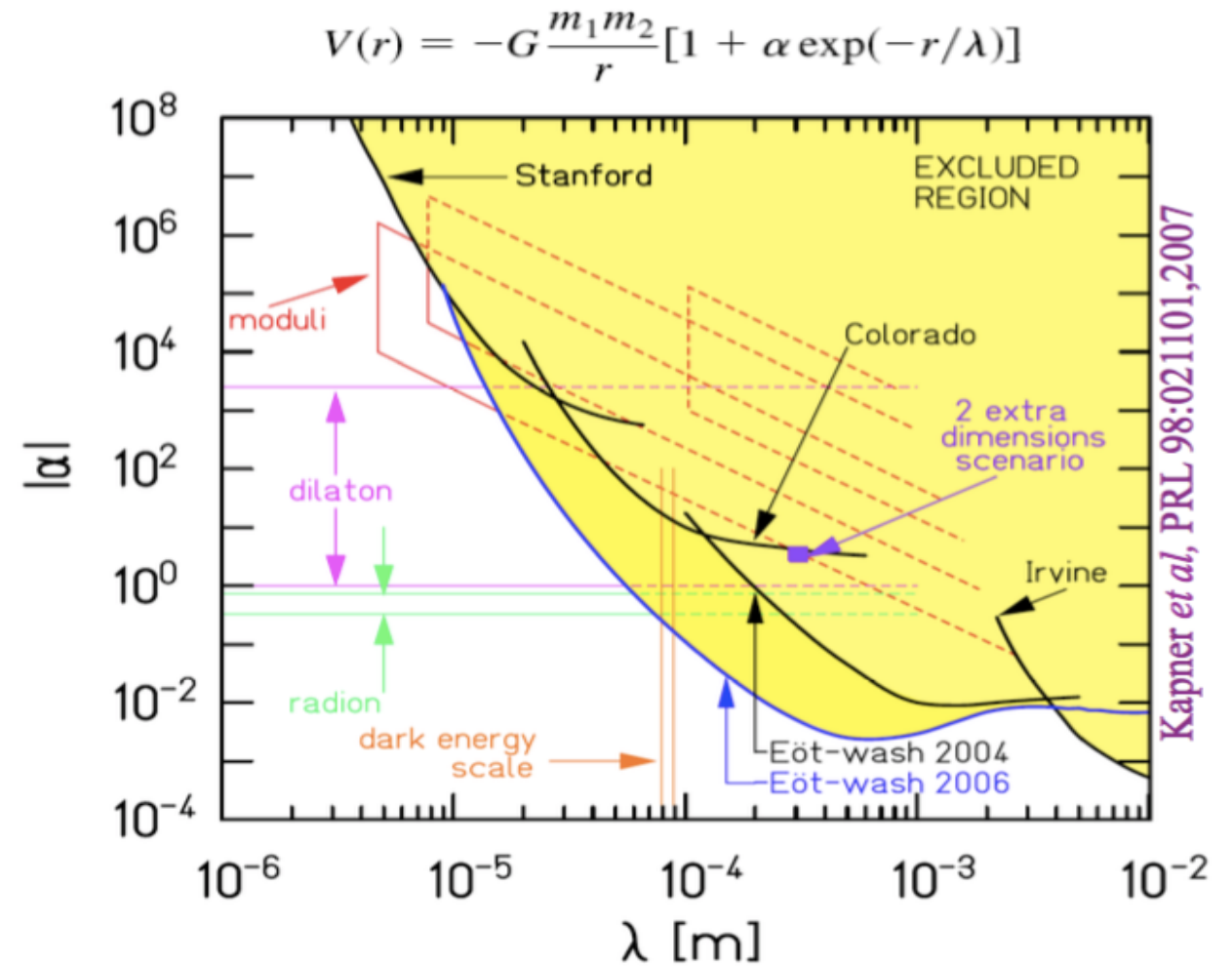
$$\Pi = \Pi_{GR} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\mathcal{P}_s^0}{k^2 + m^2}, \quad m^2 = \frac{1}{3\mathcal{L}''(0)}$$

## (3) Weyl Gravity:

$$\mathcal{L} = R - \frac{1}{m^2}C^2$$

$$C^2 = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - 2R_{\mu\nu}R^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3}R^2$$

$$\Pi = \frac{\mathcal{P}^2}{k^2(1 - (k/m)^2)} - \frac{\mathcal{P}_s^0}{2k^2} = \Pi_{GR} - \frac{\mathcal{P}^2}{k^2 + m^2}$$



$$V \sim \frac{1}{r} e^{-mr} + \dots$$

# Entanglement Entropy

**Step-1**

$$|\psi\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (|\downarrow\downarrow\rangle + e^{i\Delta\theta} |\downarrow\uparrow\rangle + |\uparrow\downarrow\rangle + e^{i\Delta\phi} |\uparrow\uparrow\rangle)$$

**Step-2**

The density matrix defined as

$$\hat{\rho} = |\psi\rangle \langle\psi|$$

and the reduced density matrix is then

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\rho}_A &= \text{Tr}_B [\hat{\rho}] \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} e^{-i\Delta\theta} \frac{1}{2} + e^{i\Delta\phi} & e^{i\Delta\theta} + e^{-i\Delta\phi} \\ e^{-i\Delta\theta} \frac{1}{2} + e^{i\Delta\phi} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

**Step-3**

$$\mathcal{S}(\hat{\rho}_A) = -(\lambda_- \log_2(\lambda_-) + \lambda_+ \log_2(\lambda_+))$$

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda_{\pm} &= \frac{1}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \cos \left( \frac{m\tau}{\hbar} (\Phi(r_0 - \Delta x) \right. \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. \left. + \Phi(r_0 + \Delta x) - 2\Phi(r_0) \right) \right) \right) \right]^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$

# Locality & Entanglement in Table-Top Testing of the Quantum Nature of Linearized Gravity

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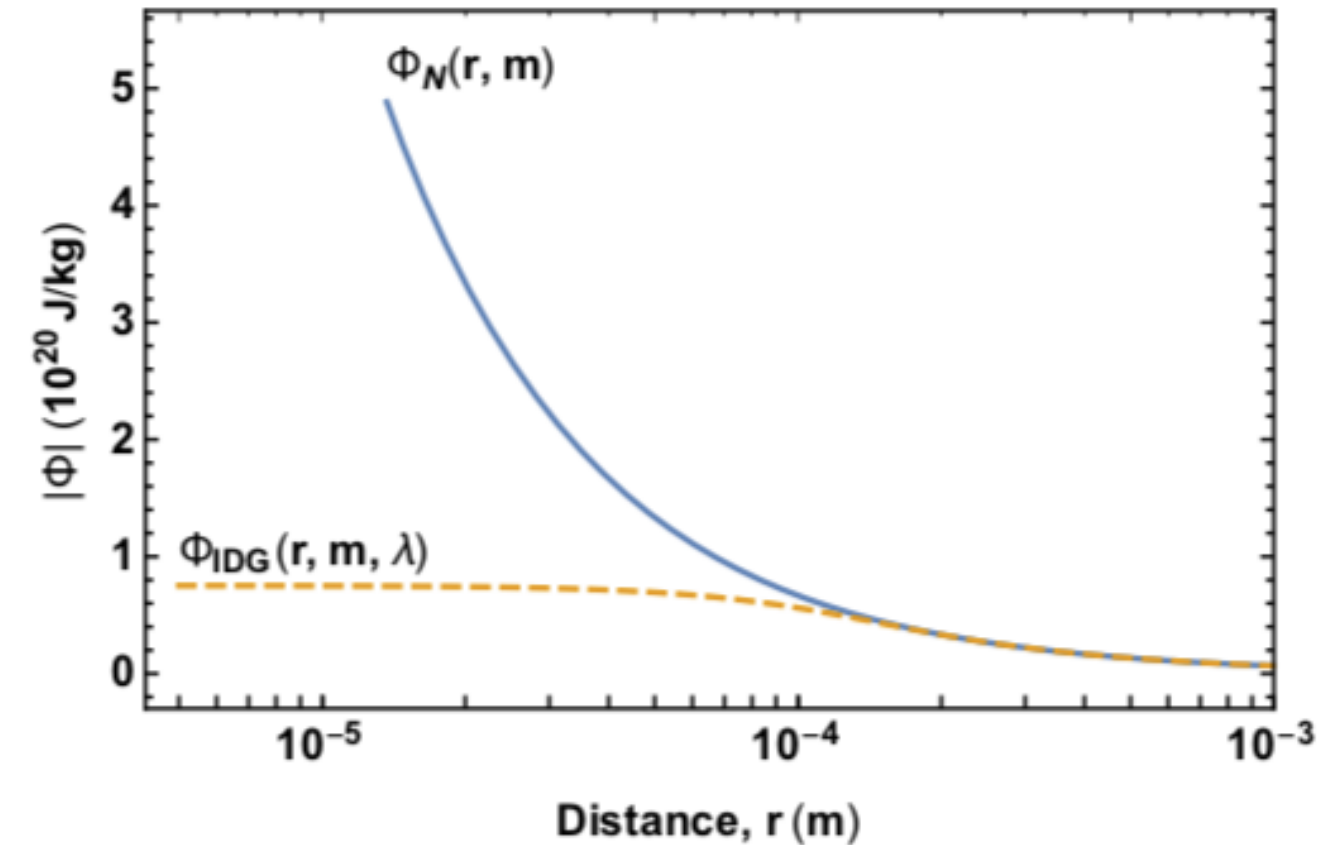
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This paper highlights the importance of the assumption of locality of physical interactions, and the concomitant necessity of the off-shell propagation of quanta between two non-relativistic test masses in probing the quantum nature of linearized gravity in the laboratory. At the outset, we will argue that observing the quantum nature of a system is not limited to evidencing  $O(\hbar)$  corrections to a classical theory: it instead hinges upon verifying tasks that a classical system cannot accomplish, which is the method adopted in the aforementioned tabletop experiments. We explain the background concepts needed from quantum field theory, namely forces arising through the exchange of virtual (off-shell) quanta, as well as the background exploited from quantum information theory, such as Local Operations and Classical Communication (LOCC) and entanglement witnesses. We clarify the key assumption inherent in our evidencing experiment, namely the locality of physical interactions, which is a generic feature of interacting systems of quantum fields around us, and naturally incorporates micro-causality in the description of our experiment. We also present the types of states the matter field must inhabit, putting the experiment on firm relativistic quantum field theoretic grounds. At the end we use a non-local (but not complete action at a distance) theory of gravity to illustrate how our mechanism may still be used to detect the qualitatively quantum nature of a force when the scale of non-locality is finite. We find that the scale of non-locality, including the entanglement entropy production in local/ non-local gravity, may be revealed from the results of our experiment.

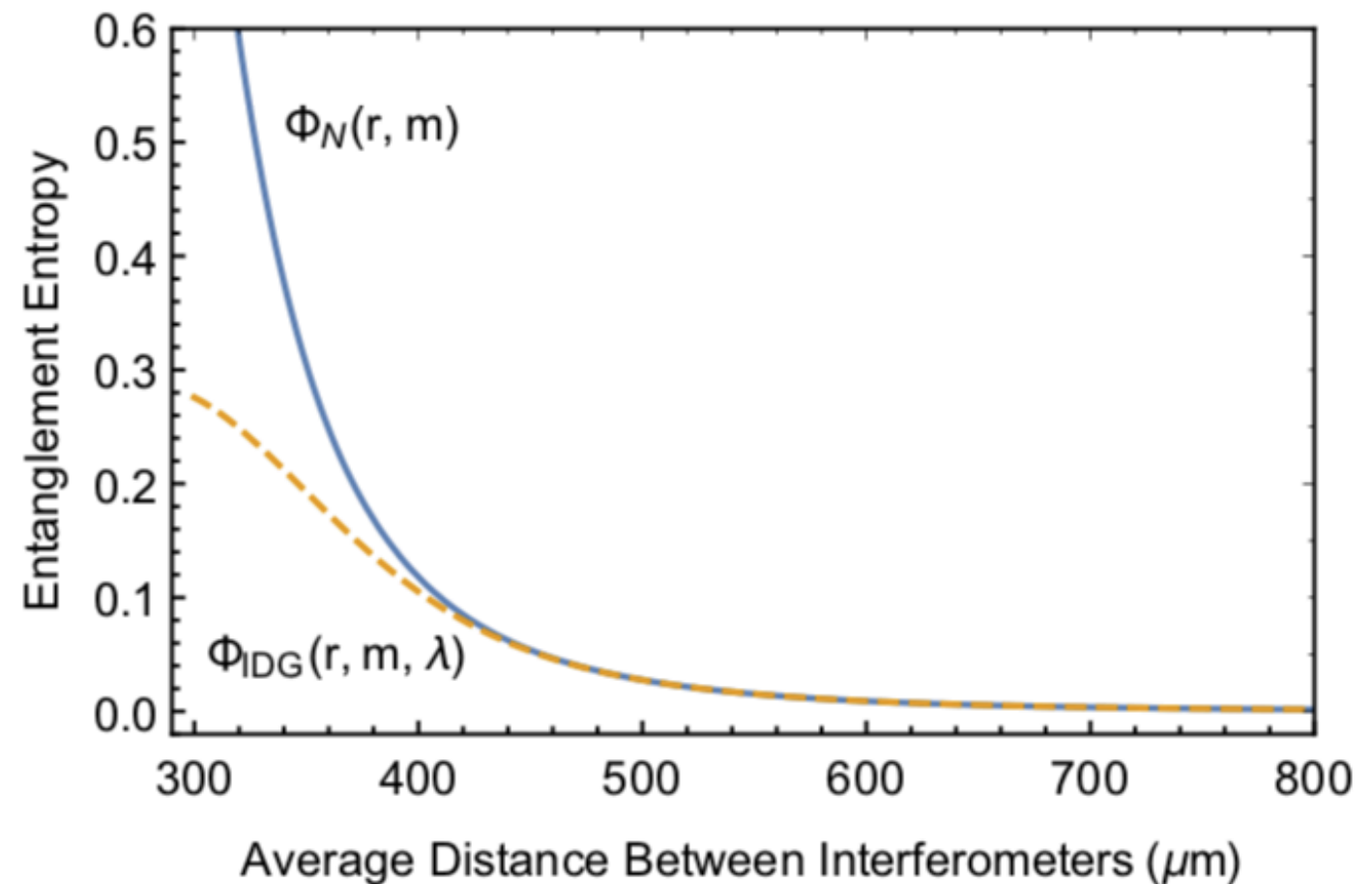
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# Entanglement Phase Evolution & Entanglement Entropy



This sheds light on very nature of gravity and entanglement entropy in the bulk

$$\mathcal{S}(\hat{\rho}_A) = -\text{Tr} [\hat{\rho}_A \log(\hat{\rho}_A)]$$





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# Weyl Gravity: Finite Derivative Theories of Gravity

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x [M_p^2 R + \alpha C^2]$$

Weyl term does not  
introduce singularities

$$S = \int \sqrt{-g} d^4x [R + \alpha R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + \beta R^2]$$

$$\Pi(k) = \frac{1}{k^2} \left( \mathcal{P}^2 - \frac{\mathcal{P}_s^0}{2} \right) - \frac{\mathcal{P}^2}{k^2 - m_2^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\mathcal{P}_s^0}{k^2 - m_0^2}$$

$$m_2 = -\left(\frac{1}{2}\alpha\right)^{-1} \text{ and } m_0 = (\alpha + \beta)^{-1}$$

If  $\alpha = 0$ , Asymptotic safety

The Weyl ghost mass goes to infinity.  
This is not Asymptotically free theory, this  
has cosmological & blackhole singularities

Quadratic Curvature Gravity is renormalizable,  
but contains “Ghosts”: Vacuum is Unstable

*Utiyama (1961), De Witt (1961), Stelle (1977)*

*t'Hooft, Veltman (1974)*

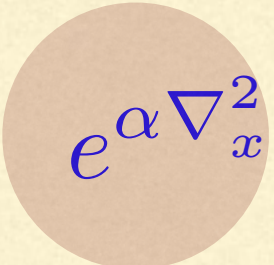


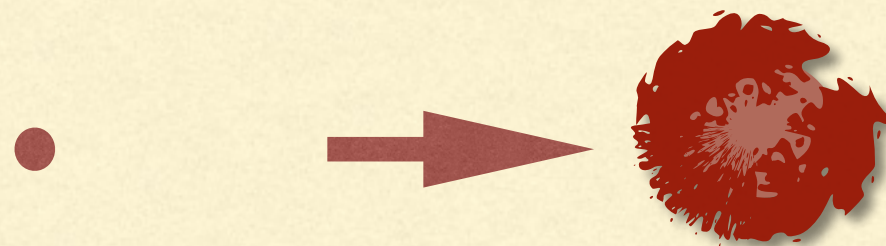
# Note on Singularity

Finite derivative theory always has a point support

$$x^n \delta^n(x) = (-1)^n n! \delta(x)$$

Infinite derivatives acting on a delta source does not have any point support


$$e^{\alpha \nabla_x^2} \delta(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int dk e^{-\alpha k^2} e^{ik \cdot x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\alpha}} e^{-x^2/4\alpha}$$



A point becomes a blob

**Non-locality is perhaps the key for any formulation of Quantum Gravity**

# Most general action of gravity in 4d

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R + R_{abcd} \mathcal{O}_{efgh}^{abcd} R^{efgh} + R \dots O \dots R \dots O \dots R \dots + \dots \right]$$

All possible terms allowed by  
diffeomorphism symmetry!

Unknown Infinite Functions of Covariant  
Derivatives



Let us study up to the quadratic curvature part ...

- 1) We can show that it is ghost free
- 2) We can also show that the gravitational interaction weakens sufficiently not to form a singularity
- 3) Gravity becomes asymptotically free

*Biswas, Mazumdar, Siegel, JCAP (2005),*

*Biswas, Gerwick, Koivisto, Mazumdar, Phys. Rev. Lett. (2012) (gr-qc/1110.5249)*



# Perturbative Unitarity in Infinite Derivative Gravity

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{R}{16\pi G} + R \mathcal{F}_1 \left( \frac{\square}{M^2} \right) R + R_{\mu\nu} \mathcal{F}_2 \left( \frac{\square}{M^2} \right) R^{\mu\nu} + R_{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \mathcal{F}_3 \left( \frac{\square}{M^2} \right) R^{\mu\nu\lambda\sigma} \right]$$

$$2\mathcal{F}_1 + \mathcal{F}_2 + 2\mathcal{F}_3 = 0 \qquad a(\square) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{F}_2(\square) \frac{\square}{M_s^2} - 2\mathcal{F}_3(\square) \frac{\square}{M_s^2}$$

$$\Pi(k^2) = \frac{1}{a(k^2)} \left[ \frac{P^{(2)}}{k^2} - \frac{P^0}{2k^2} \right]$$

**Demand no extra poles other than massless graviton's, means:**

$$a(k^2) = e^{\gamma(k^2)}$$

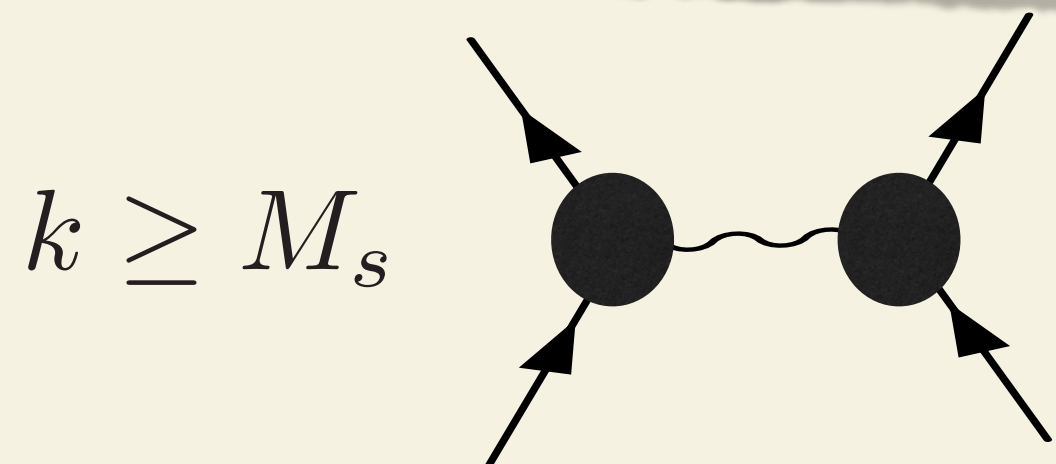
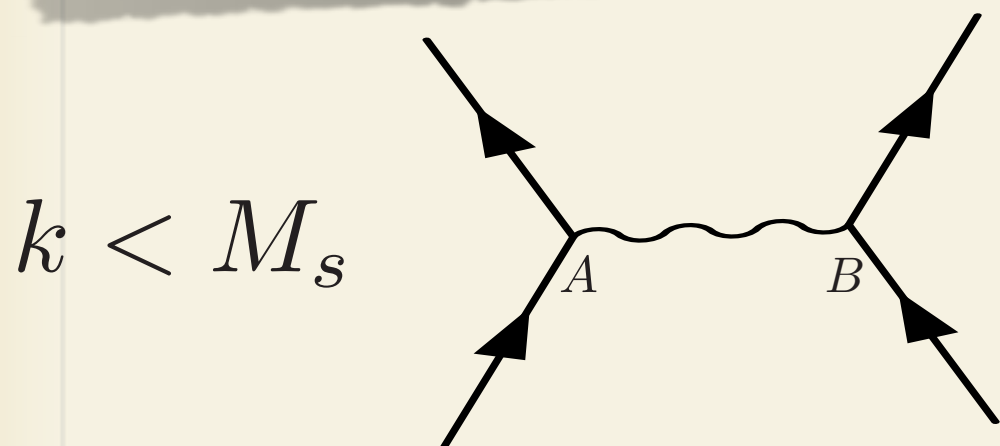
**Entire Function**

**Simplest choice:**  $a(k^2) = e^{k^2/M_s^2}$

# Infinite derivative Gravity action around Minkowski

General Covariance, QM, Perturbative Stable Vacuum, Nonlocal

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ M_p^2 \frac{R}{2} + R \left[ \frac{e^{-\square/M_s^2} - 1}{\square} \right] R - 2R_{\mu\nu} \left[ \frac{e^{-\square/M_s^2} - 1}{\square} \right] R^{\mu\nu} \right]$$



$$\Pi(k^2) = \frac{1}{a(k^2)} \left[ \frac{P^{(2)}}{k^2} - \frac{P^0}{2k^2} \right] \quad a(k^2) = e^{k^2/M_s^2}$$

Massless Graviton, massless spin-2 and spin-0 components propagate

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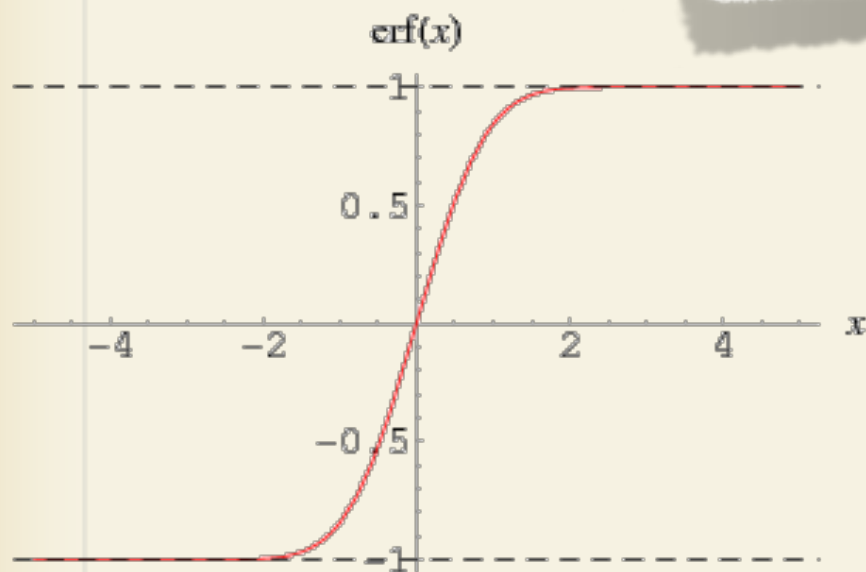
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# Non-Singular, No-Horizon System

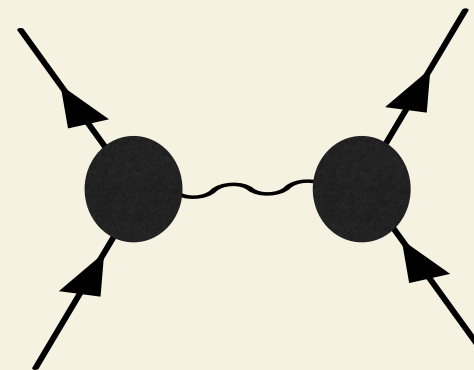
$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{R}{2} + R \left[ \frac{e^{-\frac{r^2}{M^2}} - 1}{r^2} \right] R - 2R_{\mu\nu} \left[ \frac{e^{-\frac{r^2}{M^2}} - 1}{r^2} \right] R^{\mu\nu} \right]$$

$$ds^2 = -(1 - 2\Phi)dt^2 + (1 + 2\Psi)dr^2$$

$$\Phi = \Psi = \frac{Gm}{r} \operatorname{erf} \left( \frac{rM}{2} \right)$$



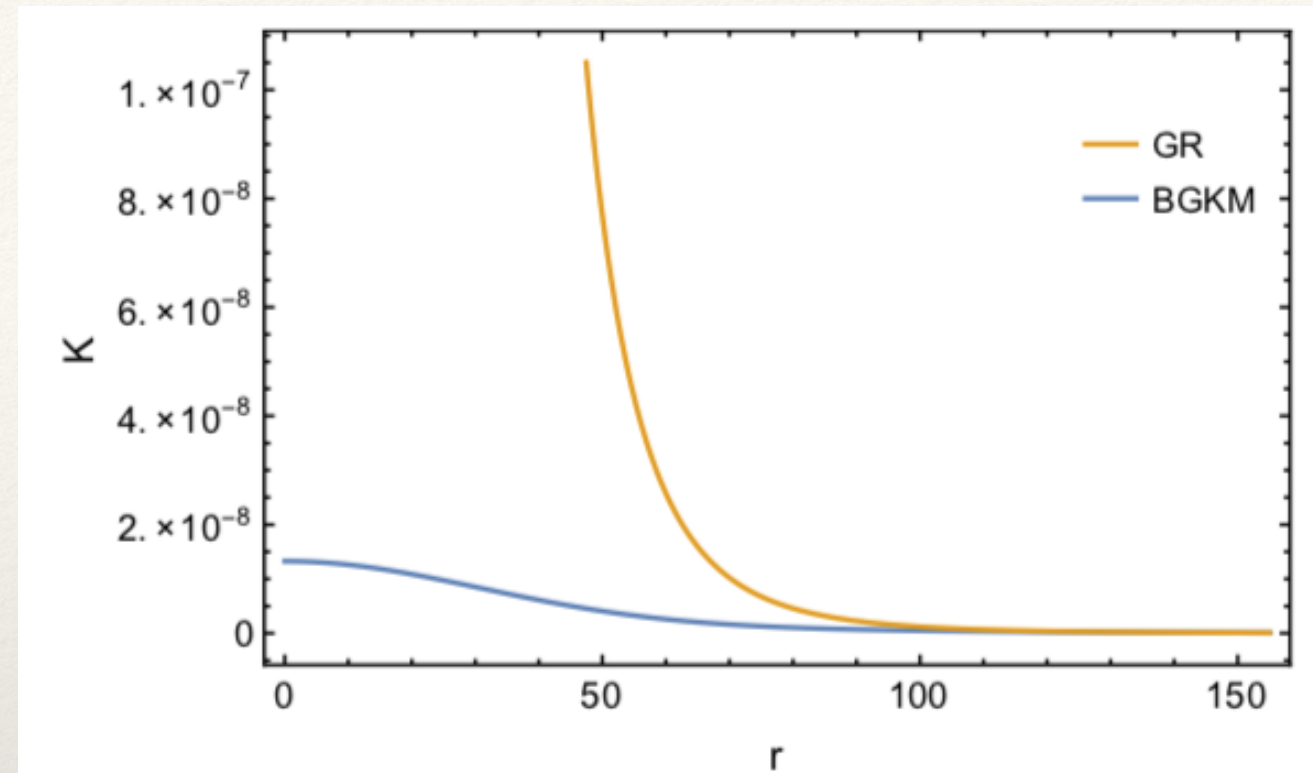
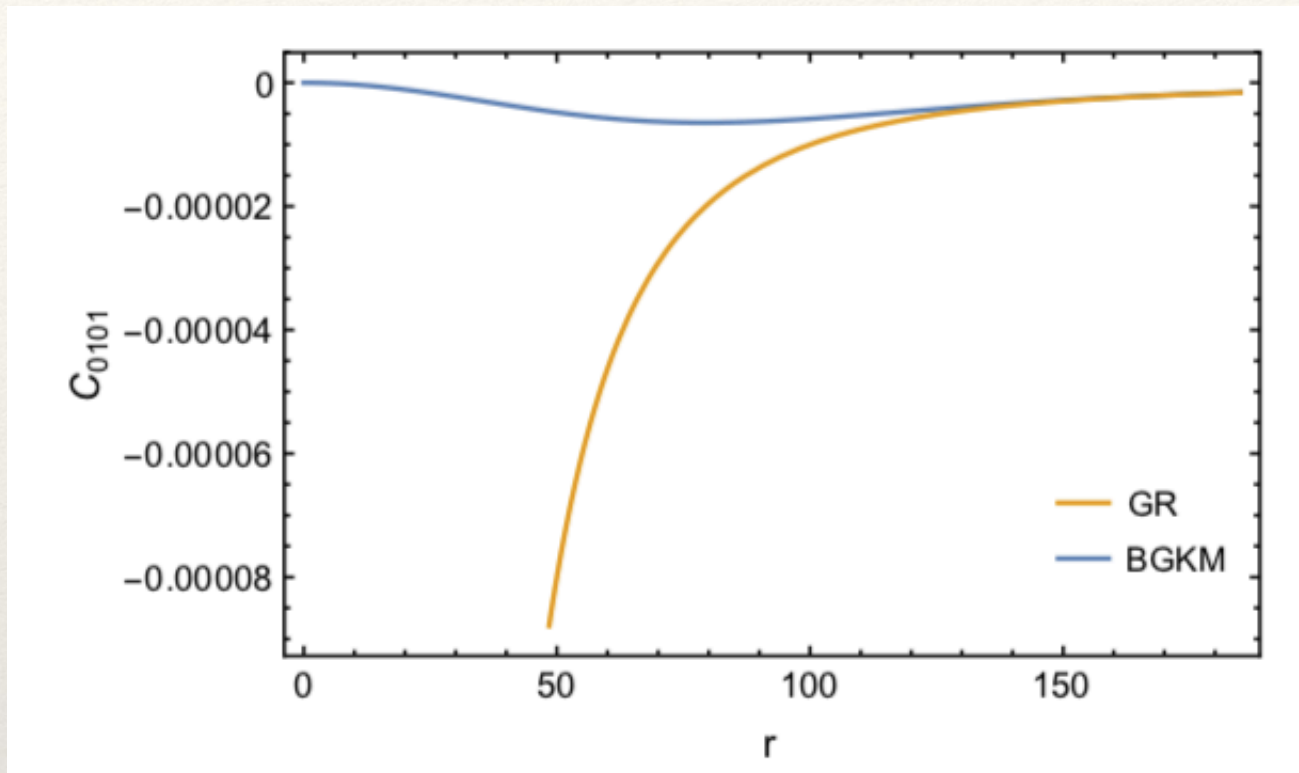
Interaction becomes Non-Local



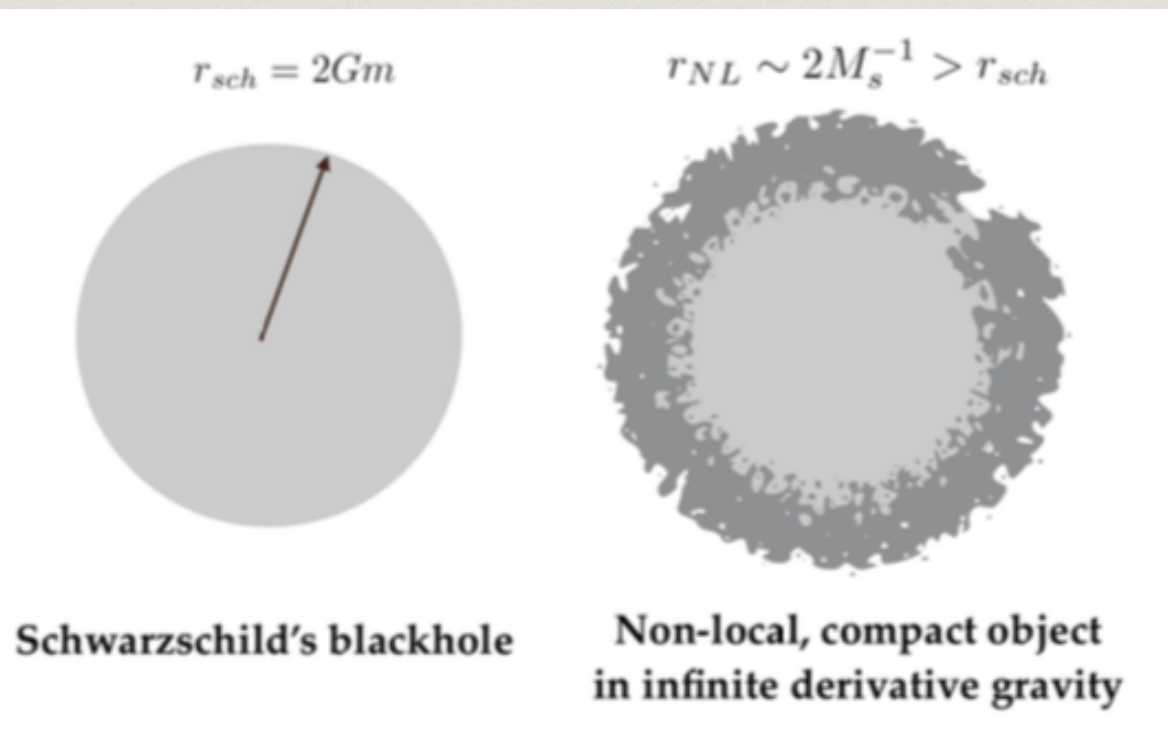
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# Conformally flat: Weyl vanishes, and Kretschmann is finite



*Such non-local objects could be BHs provided linear solution is promoted all the way to non-linear level.*





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**Extra slides**

# Quantum Scattering

$$A + B \rightarrow A + B$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{full} = \mathcal{H}_A + \mathcal{H}_B + \mathcal{H}_{int}$$

$$|\text{fin}\rangle = \mathcal{S}|\text{ini}\rangle \quad |\text{ini}\rangle = |\vec{k}, \vec{l}\rangle = |\vec{k}\rangle_A \otimes |\vec{l}\rangle_B$$

$$|\text{fin}\rangle = \mathcal{Q}\mathcal{S}|\text{ini}\rangle$$

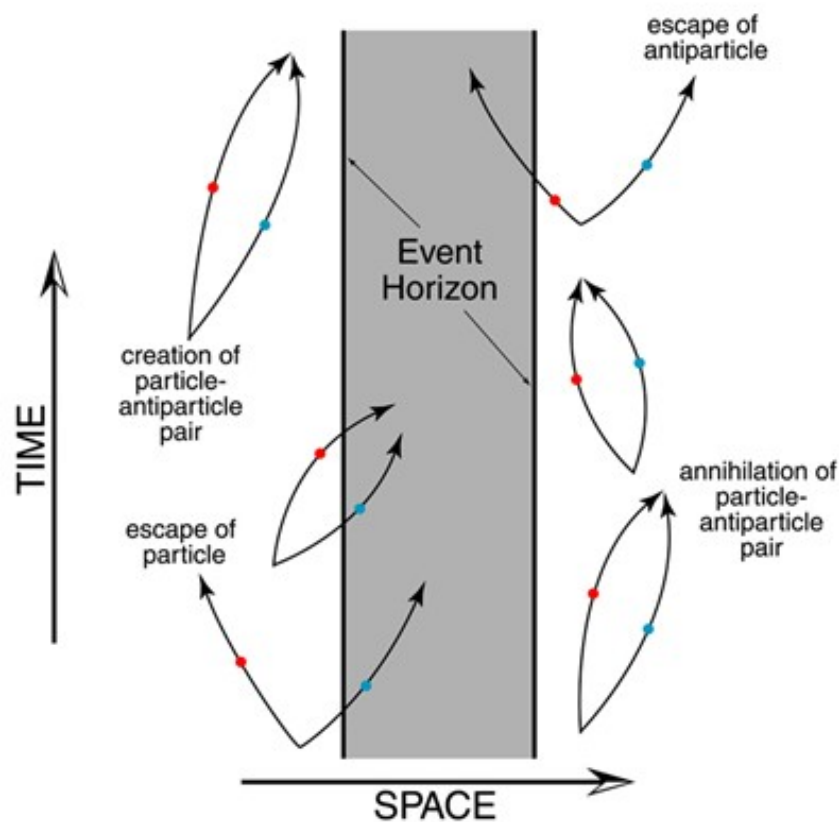
$$|\text{fin}\rangle = \left( \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{2E_{A\vec{p}}} \frac{d^3\vec{q}}{2E_{B\vec{q}}} |\vec{p}, \vec{q}\rangle \langle \vec{p}, \vec{q}| \right) \mathcal{S}|\vec{k}, \vec{l}\rangle \longrightarrow \rho := \mathcal{N}^{-1} |\text{fin}\rangle \langle \text{fin}|$$

$$\rho_A := \text{tr}_B \rho$$

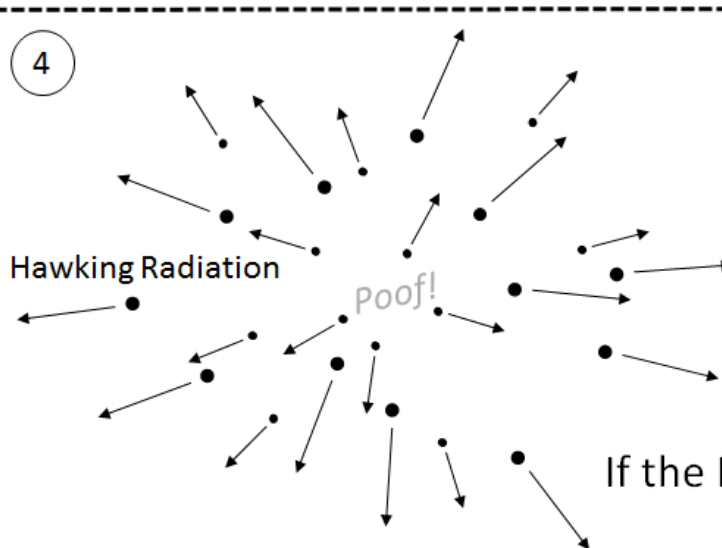
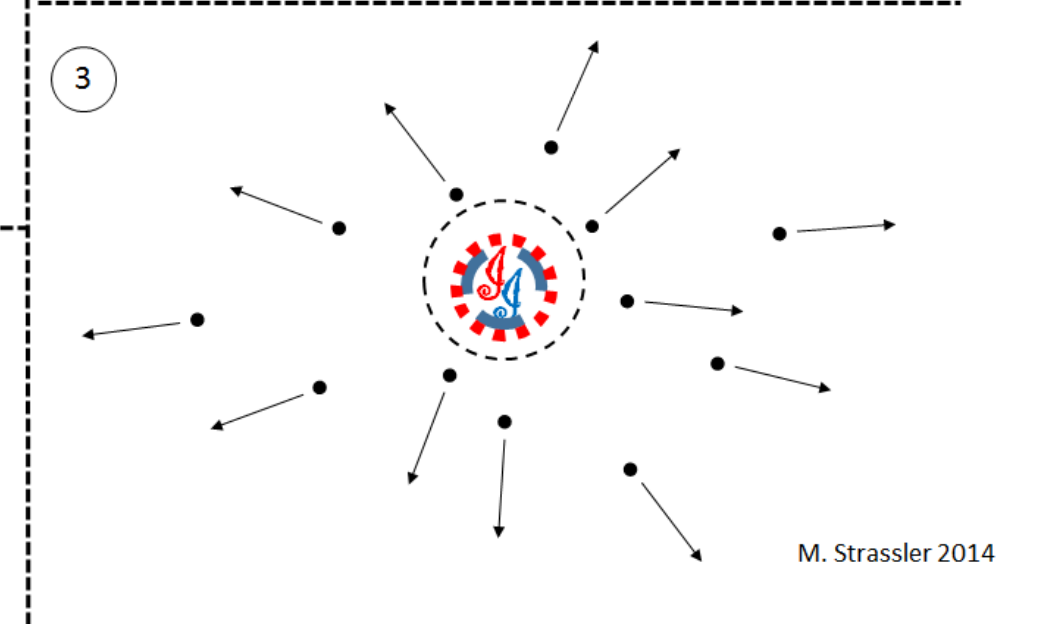
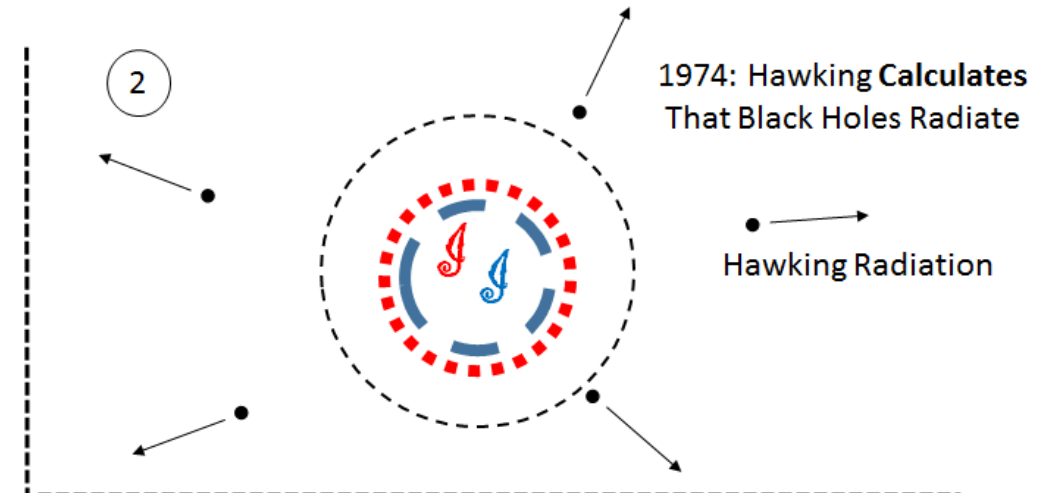
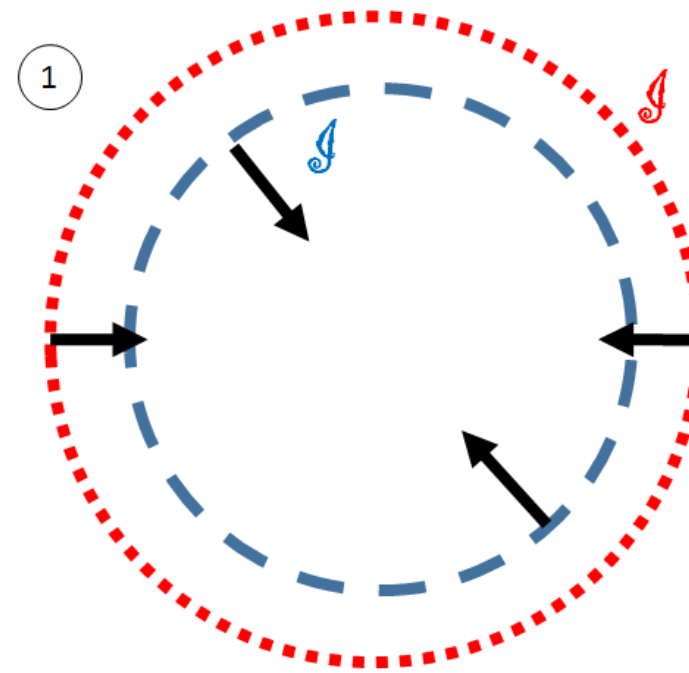
$$\rho_A = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \int \frac{d^3\vec{p}}{2E_{A\vec{p}}} \frac{d^3\vec{q}}{2E_{B\vec{q}}} \frac{d^3\vec{p}'}{2E_{A\vec{p}'}} \left( \langle \vec{p}, \vec{q} | \mathcal{S} | \vec{k}, \vec{l} \rangle \langle \vec{k}, \vec{l} | \mathcal{S}^\dagger | \vec{p}', \vec{q} \rangle \right) |\vec{p}\rangle_A \langle \vec{p}'|$$

$$S_{\text{ent}} = -\text{Tr}[\rho_A \ln \rho_A]$$

# Event Horizon & Quantum Information!



In General Relativity with Quantum Theory For Other Fields,  
Black Holes Evaporate; What Happens to the Information?

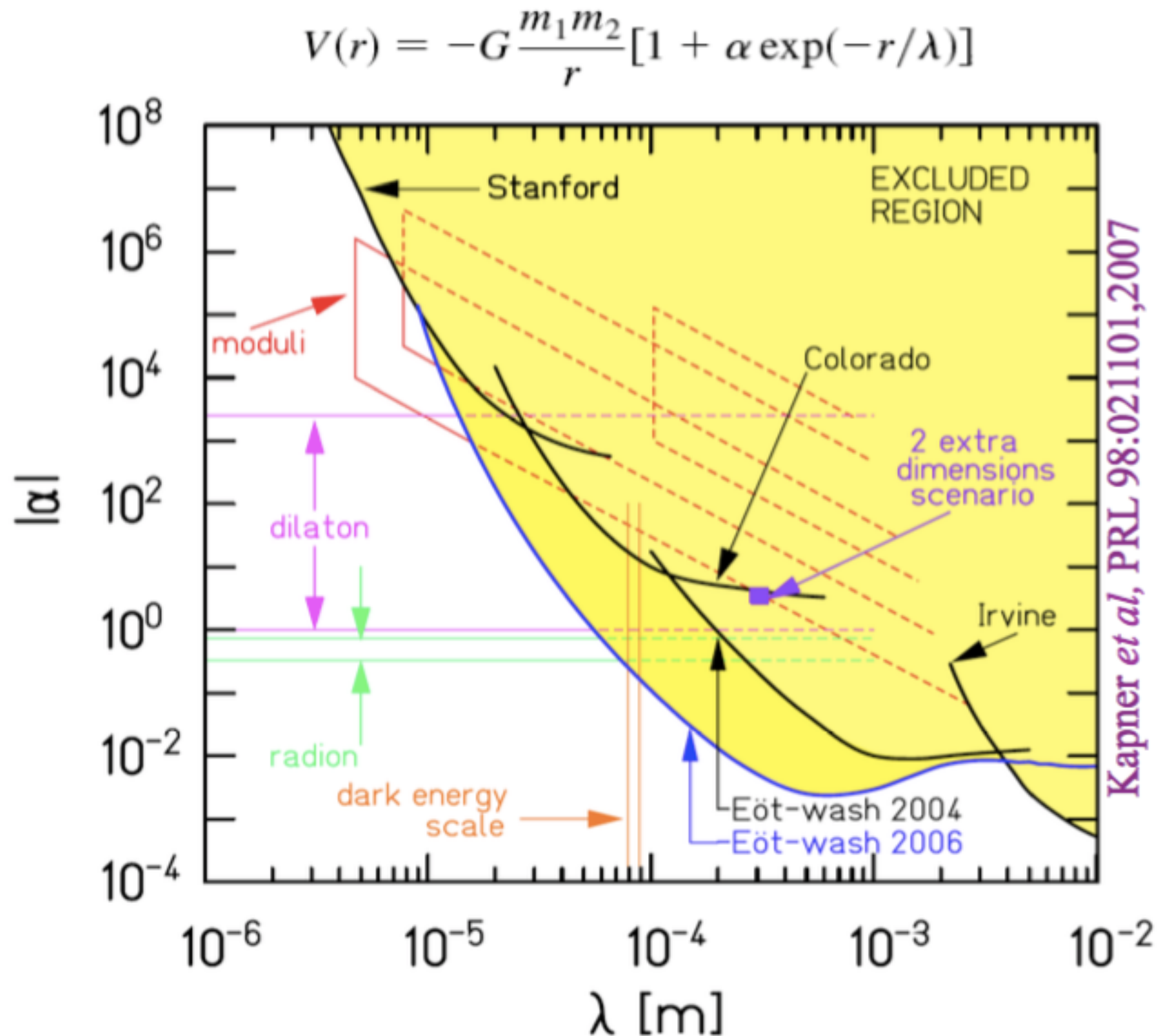


If the Information is Gone, **Quantum Theory Must Be Modified.**

**Or, the blackhole paradigm has to be modified !**



# Gravity is Least Constrained



$(10^{27} \text{ eV})^4$   
 ?  
 $(10^{-2} \text{ eV})^4$   
 $(10^{-3} \text{ eV})^4$   
**Dark Energy**