

# Black Holes

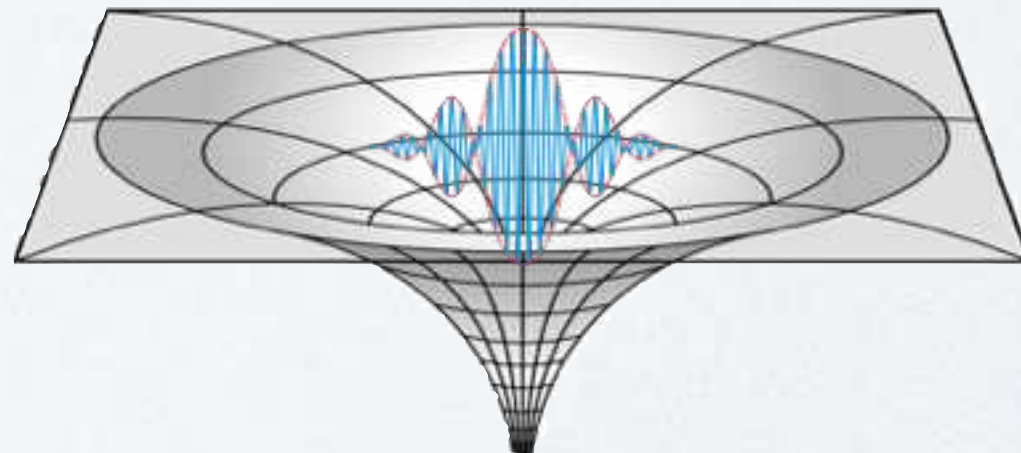
A window into Strong (Quantum?) Gravity

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# Plan of the talk

1. Gravitational collapse of quantum matter
2. Gravity: Status Quo
3. Horizon Quantum Mechanics\*: Schwarzschild radius of quantum source
  - Single particle: horizon wave-function and the GUP
  - BEC black holes: fuzzy horizon and semiclassical limit
4. Summary and outlook

## \*Papers:

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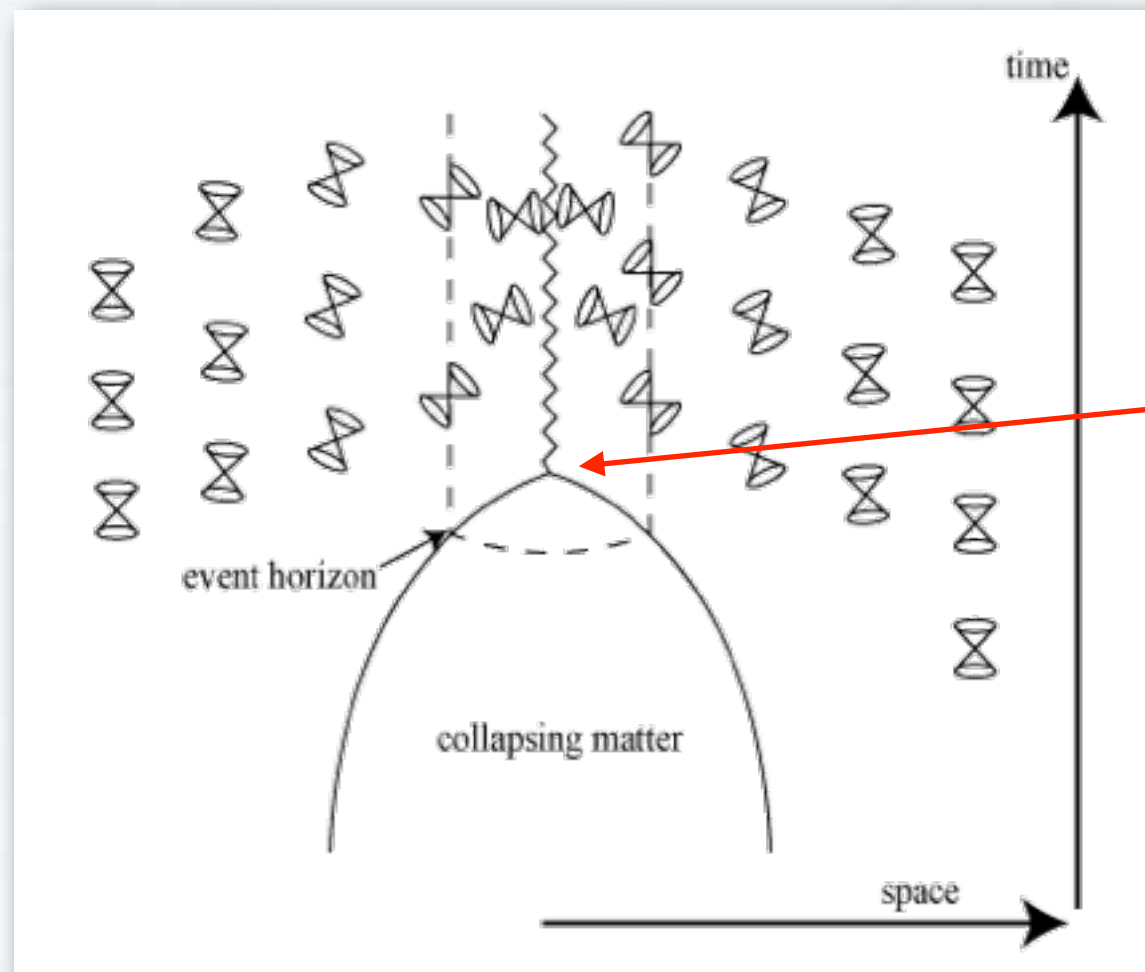
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# 1) Gravitational collapse

Standard **CLASSICAL** picture = General Relativity

CLASSICAL matter and GEOMETRICAL space-time\*



Central Singularity

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

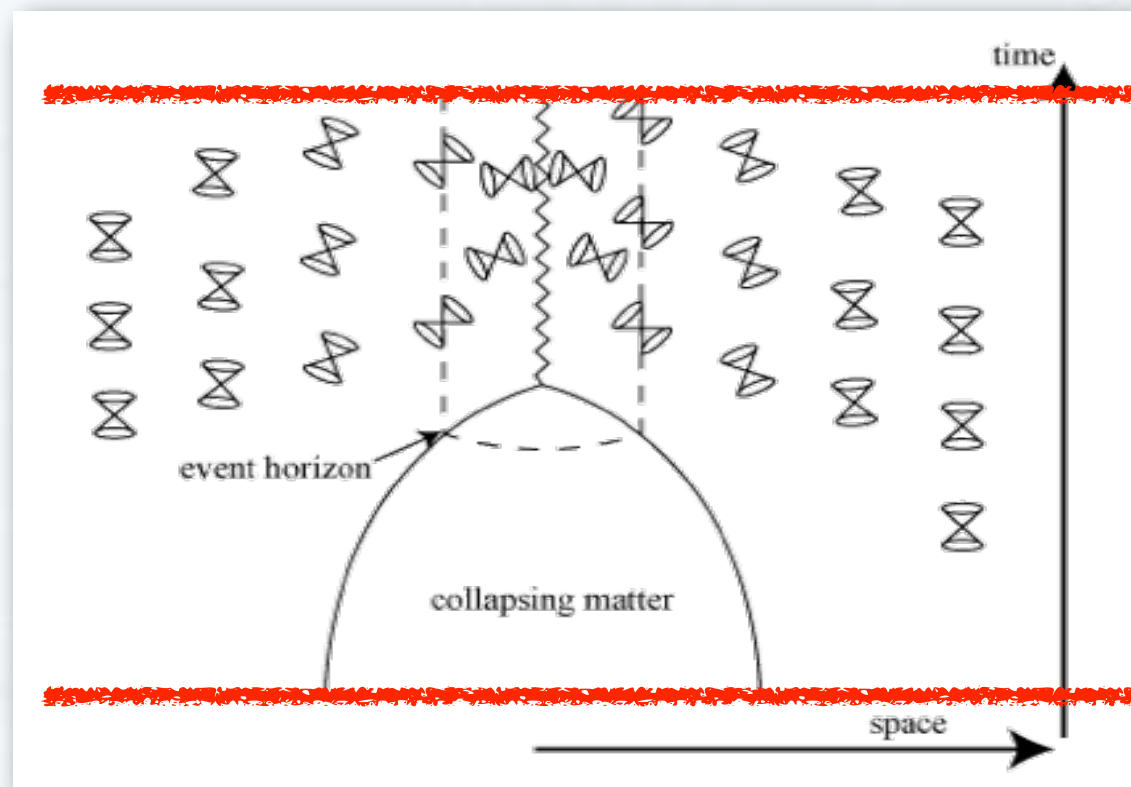
But matter is **QUANTUM**...!

# 1) Gravitational collapse

Standard **SEMICLASSICAL** picture = QFT on curved space-time

**Background:** CLASSICAL matter and GEOMETRICAL space-time

**Foreground:** QUANTUM particles



$$|0; t = +\infty\rangle$$



$$e^{-\frac{i}{\hbar} \int \hat{H} dt}$$

$$|0; t = -\infty\rangle$$

$$|0; t = +\infty\rangle = \sum \text{excitations} = \text{Hawking radiation}$$

But world is **QUANTUM**...!(?)

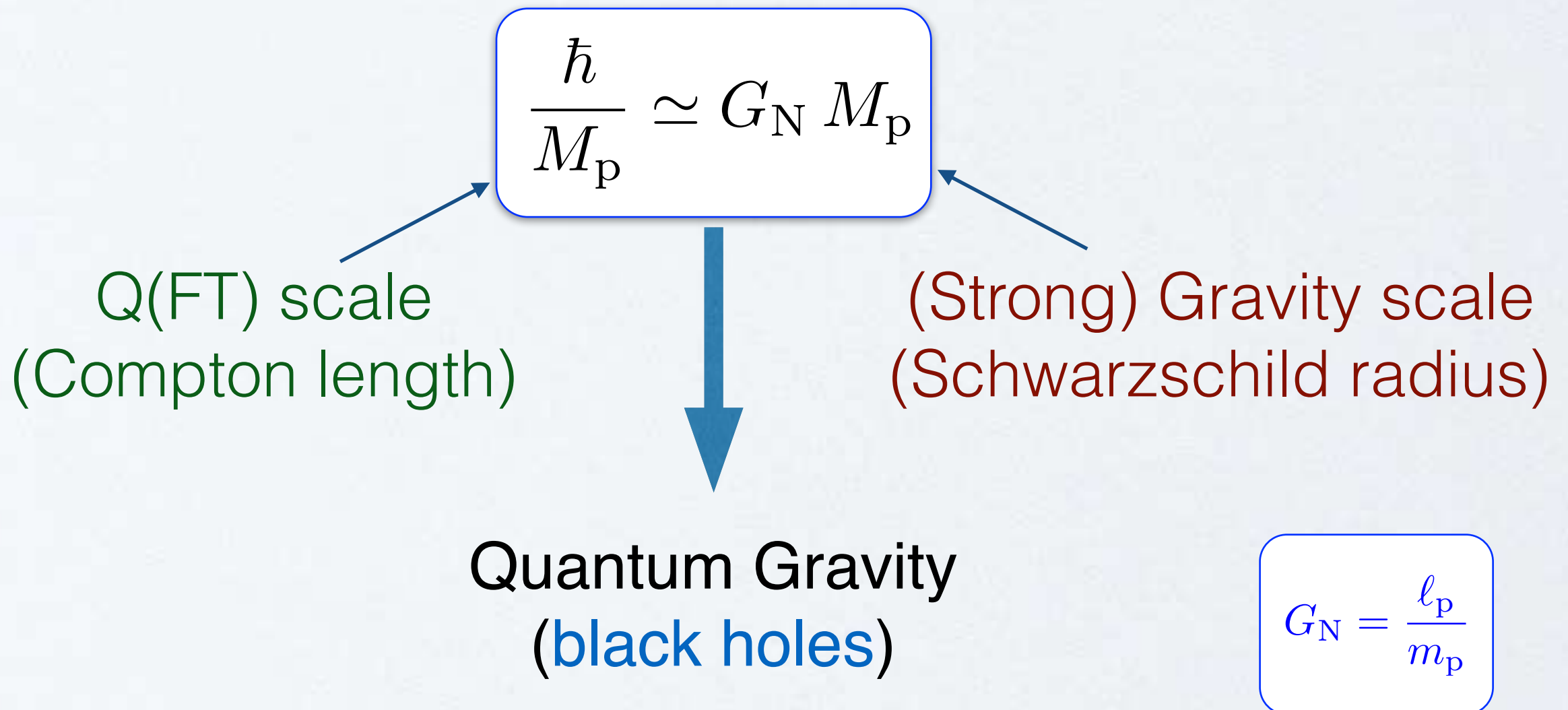
# 1) Gravitational collapse

Perhaps we need **Quantum Gravity** ... but what might it really be?

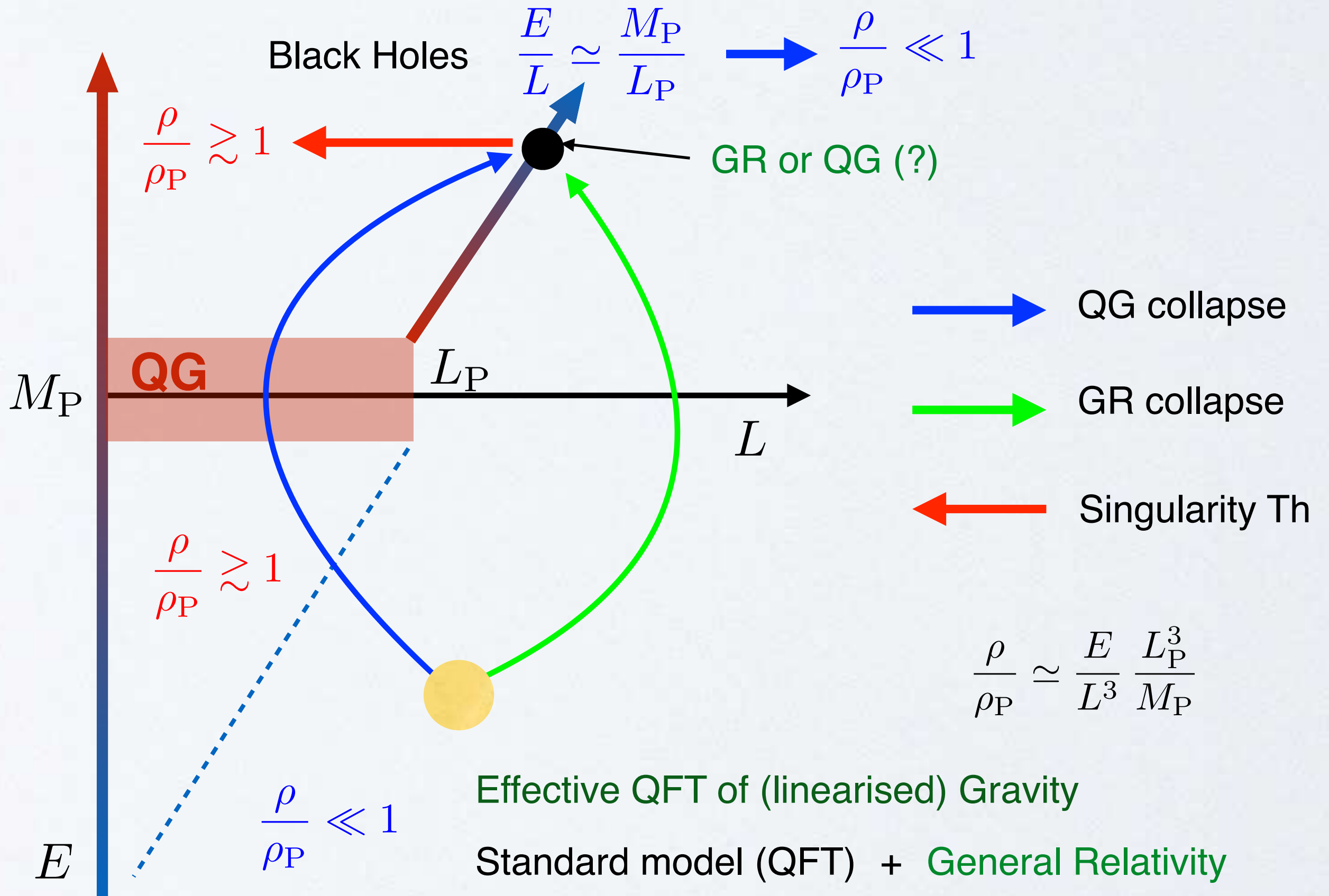
$$\sqrt{\hbar G_N} = \ell_p \simeq 10^{-35} \text{ m}$$

$$\sqrt{\hbar/G_N} = M_p \simeq 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$$

Numerology or...?



## 2) Gravity: Status Quo





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### BH (Quantum Gravity) vs Hadron (QCD)

(Almost) **no** data!



Expectations:

Confines **everything**  
in non-perturbative regime  
(**within causal horizon**)

Asymptotically **classical**

$$M \gg M_p$$

**A lot** of data!



Facts:

Confines **quarks**  
in non-perturbative regime  
(**below**  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}} \simeq 220 \text{ MeV}$ )

Asymptotically **free**

$$E \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$$



Employ effective Quantum (Field) Theory (~ chiral theory)

### 3) Horizon Quantum Mechanics

What is the Schwarzschild radius of QM states?



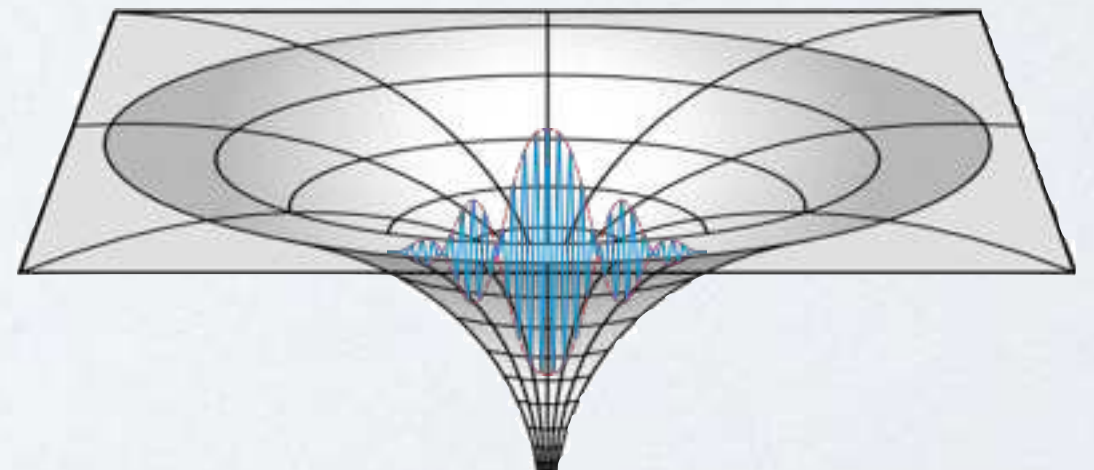
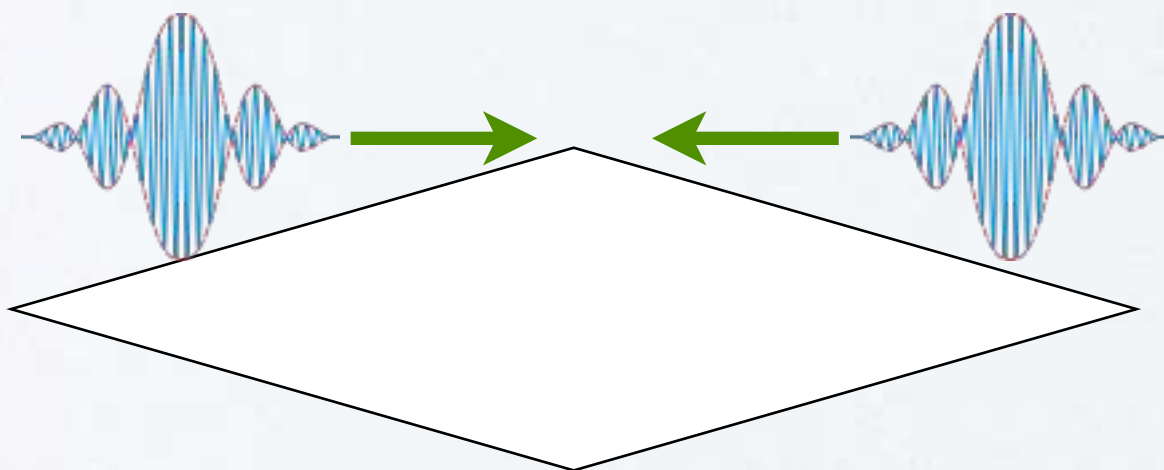
Many attempts at quantising “pure” black hole/horizon degrees of freedom  
(independently of source)

“Background field approach”



But GR is non-linear:

(non-perturbatively) quantise black hole/horizon **and** matter source!





### 3) Horizon Quantum Mechanics

Classical spherically symmetric system:

$$ds^2 = g_{tt} dt^2 + g_{rr} dr^2 + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

Einstein equation (“Hamiltonian constraint”):

$$g^{rr} = 1 - \frac{2 G_N E(t, r)}{r}$$

Misner-Sharp mass

$$E = \frac{4\pi}{3} \int_0^r \rho(t, r') r'^2 dr'$$

$$G_N = \frac{\ell_p}{m_p}$$

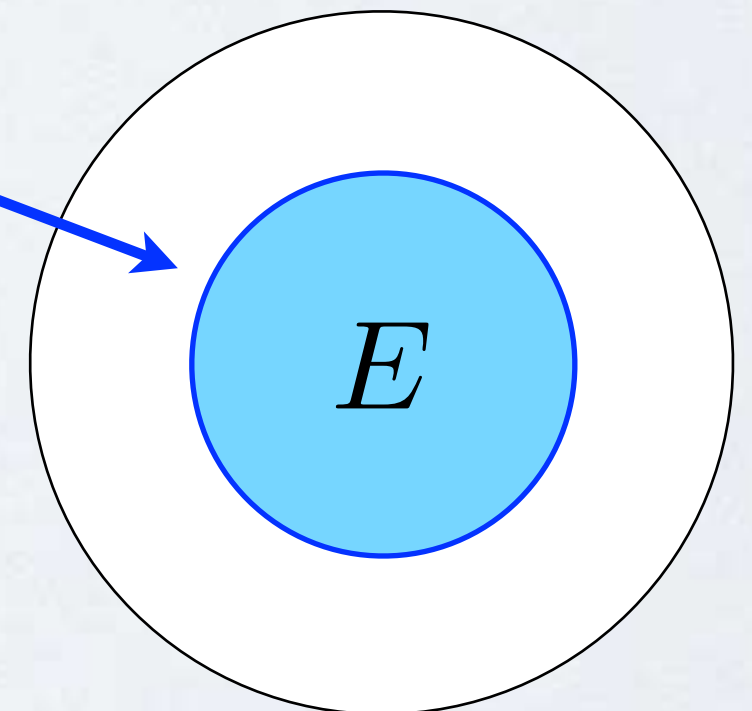
$$R_H = 2 \ell_p \frac{E}{m_p}$$

Sphere is a **trapping surface**  
 (“escape velocity = c”) if

$$4\pi R_H^2 = 4\pi r^2$$

Schwarzschild radius

Areal radius



### 3) Horizon Quantum Mechanics

A) “Hamiltonian constraint” relates ADM mass to gravitational radius

$$|\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\alpha,\beta} C(E_\alpha, R_{H\beta}) |E_\alpha\rangle |R_{H,\beta}\rangle$$

$$\hat{H} |E_\alpha\rangle = E_\alpha |E_\alpha\rangle$$

$$\hat{R}_H |R_{H\alpha}\rangle = R_{H\alpha} |R_{H\alpha}\rangle$$




$$0 = \left( \hat{H} - \frac{m_p}{2\ell_p} \hat{R}_H \right) |\Psi\rangle = \sum_{\alpha,\beta} \left( E_\alpha - \frac{m_p}{2\ell_p} R_{H\beta} \right) C(E_\alpha, R_{H\beta}) |E_\alpha\rangle |R_{H\beta}\rangle$$



$$C(E_\alpha, R_{H\beta}) = C(E_\alpha, 2\ell_p E_\alpha/m_p) \delta_{\alpha\beta}$$

### 3) Horizon Quantum Mechanics

B) trace out gravitational d.o.f. = source wave-function:

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_S\rangle &= \sum_{\gamma} \langle R_{H\gamma} | \sum_{\alpha} C(E_{\alpha}, 2\ell_p E_{\alpha}/m_p) |E_{\alpha}\rangle |R_{H\alpha}\rangle \\ &= \sum_{\gamma} C_S(E_{\gamma}) |E_{\gamma}\rangle \end{aligned} \quad \text{(spectral decomposition)}$$


C) trace out source d.o.f. = horizon wave-function:

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_H\rangle &= \sum_{\gamma} \langle E_{\gamma} | \sum_{\alpha} C_S(E_{\alpha}) |E_{\alpha}\rangle |R_{H\alpha}\rangle \\ &= \sum_{\gamma} C_S(m_p R_{H\gamma}/2\ell_p) |R_{H\gamma}\rangle \end{aligned}$$

D) local construction also available, see arXiv:1605.tomorrow

E) extensions to modified gravity theories (under way...)

### 3) Single Particle

Localised particle at rest:  
Gaussian wave-function:

$$\psi_S(r) \simeq e^{-\frac{r^2}{2\ell^2}}$$

Energy spectrum:  $|\psi_S\rangle = \sum_E C(E) |E\rangle$

$$\Delta = \frac{\hbar}{\ell} \sim m$$



$$\psi_S(p) \simeq e^{-\frac{p^2}{2\Delta^2}}$$

Horizon wave-function:

$$R_H = 2\ell_p \frac{E}{m_p}$$



$$E^2 = p^2 + m^2$$

(flat space)



$$\psi_H(r_H) \simeq e^{-\frac{\ell^2 r_H^2}{8\ell_p^4}}$$

### 3) Single Particle

Probability density particle is inside its own Schwarzschild radius = horizon:

$$\mathcal{P}_{<}(r < r_H) = P_S(r < r_H) \mathcal{P}_H(r_H)$$

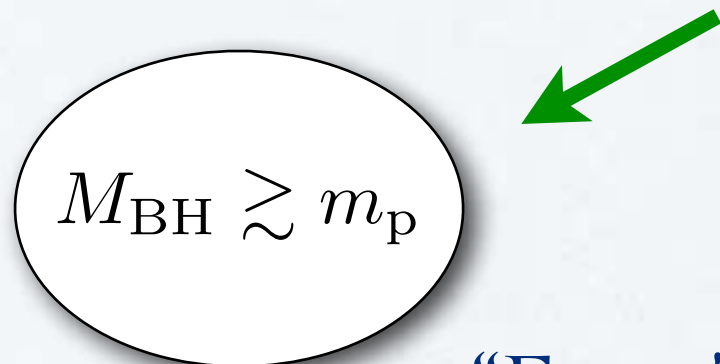
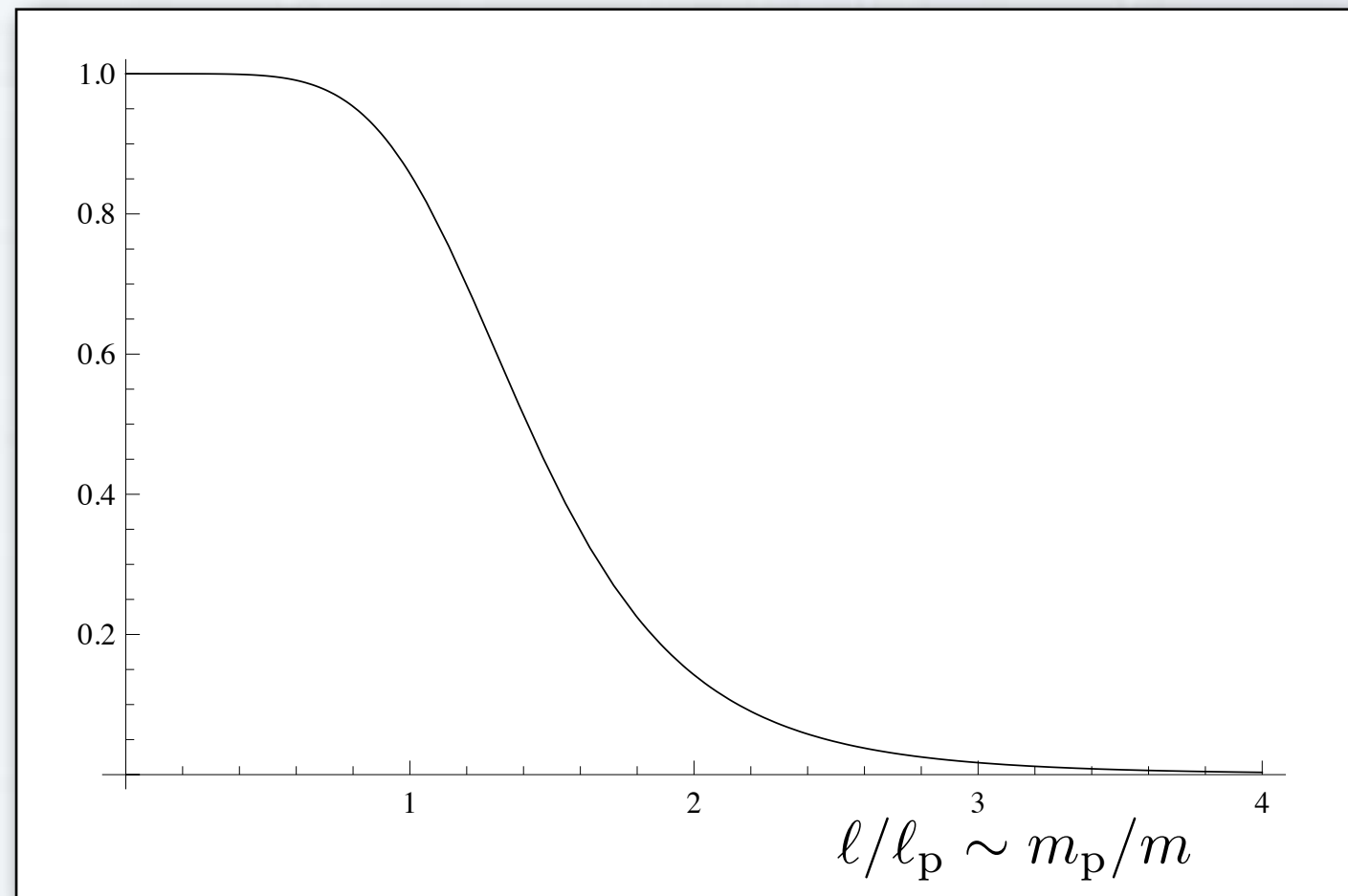
$$P_S(r < r_H) = 4 \pi \int_0^{r_H} |\psi_S(r)|^2 r^2 dr$$

$$\mathcal{P}_H(r_H) = 4 \pi r_H^2 |\psi_H(r_H)|^2$$



Probability particle is a Black Hole:

$$P_{\text{BH}} = \int_0^{\infty} \mathcal{P}_{<}(r < r_H) dr_H$$



$$M_{\text{BH}} \gtrsim m_p$$

“Fuzzy” minimum mass

### 3) Single Particle

Two uncertainties:

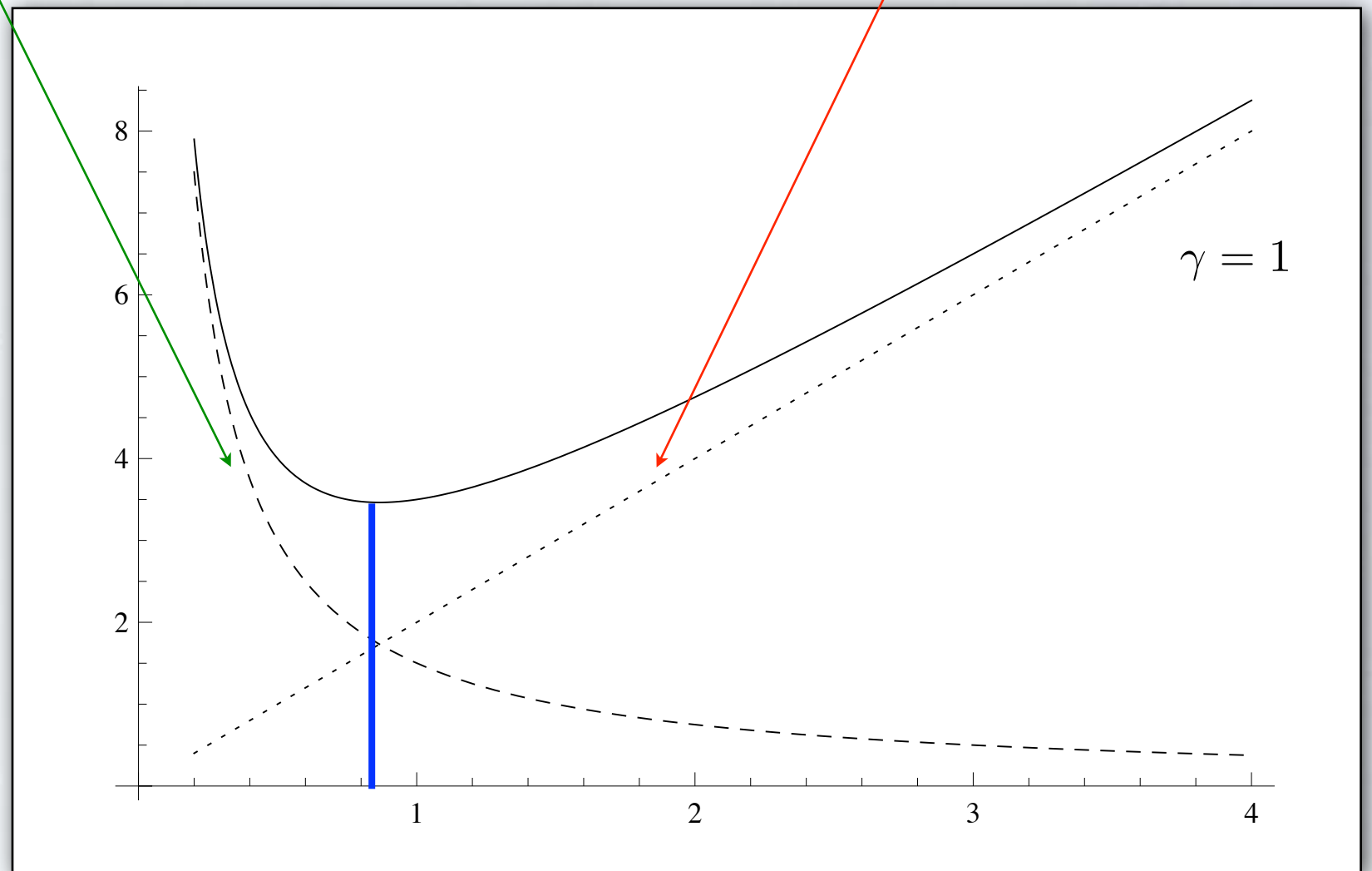
$$\langle \Delta r^2 \rangle \sim \ell^2$$

$$\langle \Delta r_H^2 \rangle \sim \frac{\ell_P^2}{\ell^2}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \Delta r &= \sqrt{\langle \Delta r^2 \rangle} + \gamma \sqrt{\langle \Delta r_H^2 \rangle} \\ &= \ell_P \frac{m_P}{\Delta p} + 2\gamma \ell_P \frac{\Delta p}{m_P} \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle \Delta p^2 \rangle \sim \frac{\ell_P^2}{\ell^2}$$



Minimum measurable length

**N.B.** Uncertainty **derived** with standard canonical commutators:  $[q, p] = i\hbar$   
 (gravity is more than kinematics...?)

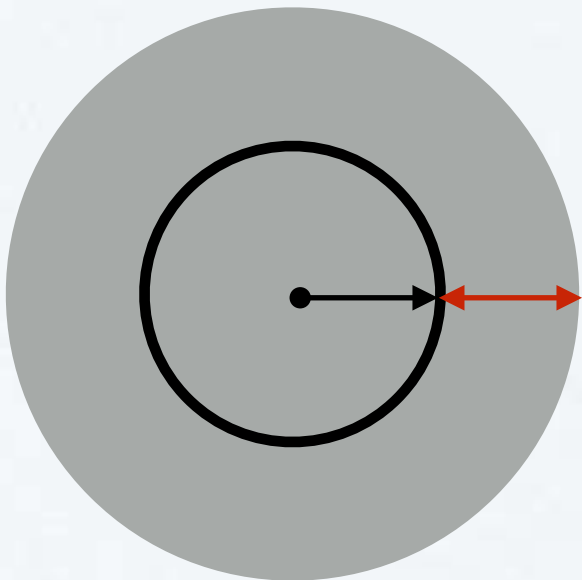


### 3) Single Particle

Horizon uncertainty:

$$\Delta R_H = \sqrt{\langle \hat{R}_H^2 \rangle - \langle \hat{R}_H \rangle^2} \simeq \ell_p^2 / \ell$$

$$\langle \hat{R}_H \rangle \simeq \ell_p^2 / \ell$$



$$\frac{\Delta R_H}{\langle \hat{R}_H \rangle} \simeq 1$$

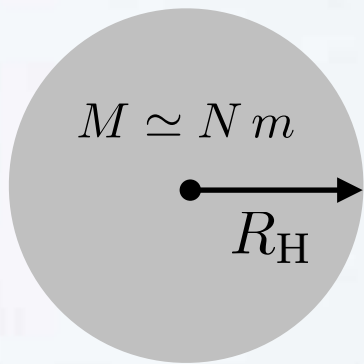


Semiclassical black holes cannot be made of a single particle!

# 3) BEC Black Hole

[Dvali & Gomez]

**BH = self-sustained gravitons = BEC**



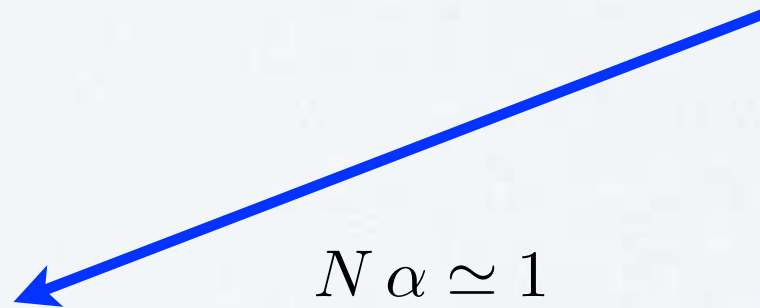
$$U \simeq -m \frac{\ell_p}{m_p} \frac{M \sim N m}{r \sim \lambda_m \sim \frac{\ell_p m_p}{m}} \simeq -m N \left( \alpha \sim \frac{m^2}{m_p^2} \right)$$

$$E \simeq m + U \simeq 0$$

$$R_H \simeq \sqrt{N} \ell_p$$

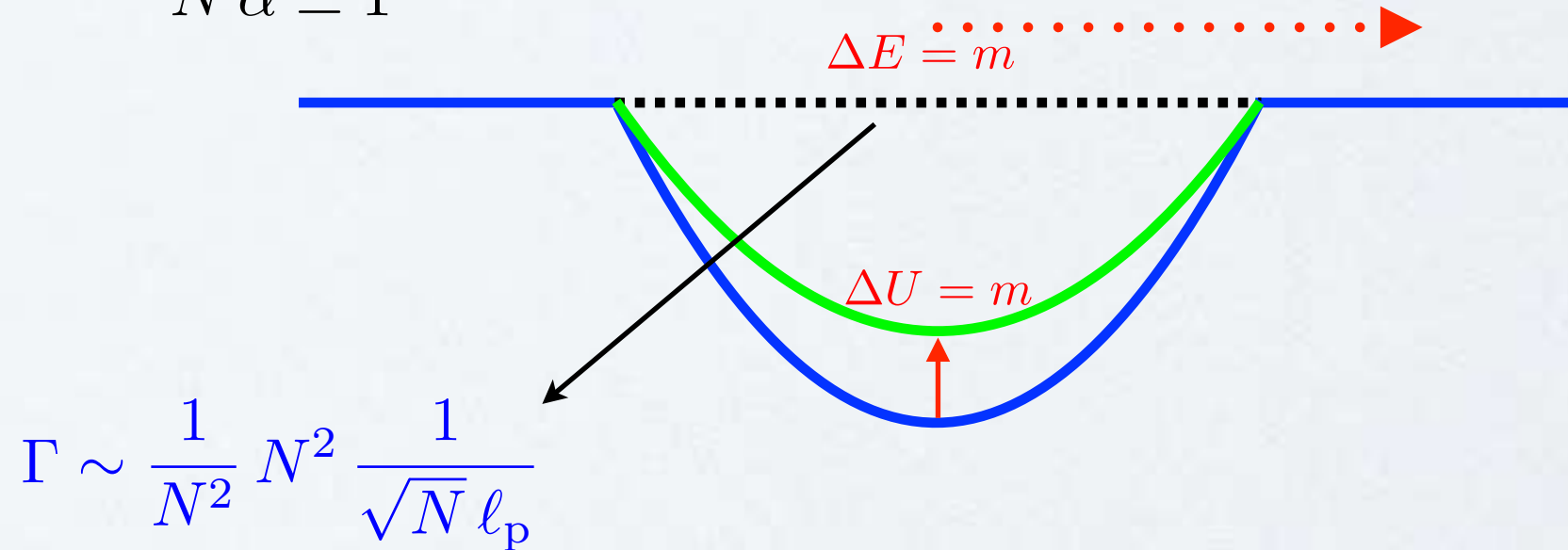
$$m \simeq \frac{m_p}{\sqrt{N}}$$

$$N \gg 1$$



$$N \alpha \simeq 1$$

Hawking quantum



$$\dot{M} \simeq m \frac{\dot{N}}{\sqrt{N}} \sim -m \frac{\Gamma}{\sqrt{N}} \sim -\frac{m_p^3 / \ell_p}{M^2}$$

# 3) BEC Black Hole

BH with Planckian hair:

1-mode discrete spectrum  
(BEC ground state)

$$|\psi_S^{(i)}\rangle \simeq |m\rangle + \gamma \int_m^\infty \frac{d\omega_i}{m^{3/2}} \frac{(\omega_i - m)}{\exp\left(\frac{\omega_i - m}{m}\right) - 1} |\omega_i\rangle$$

Continuous spectrum  
(excited states)

N-particle state:

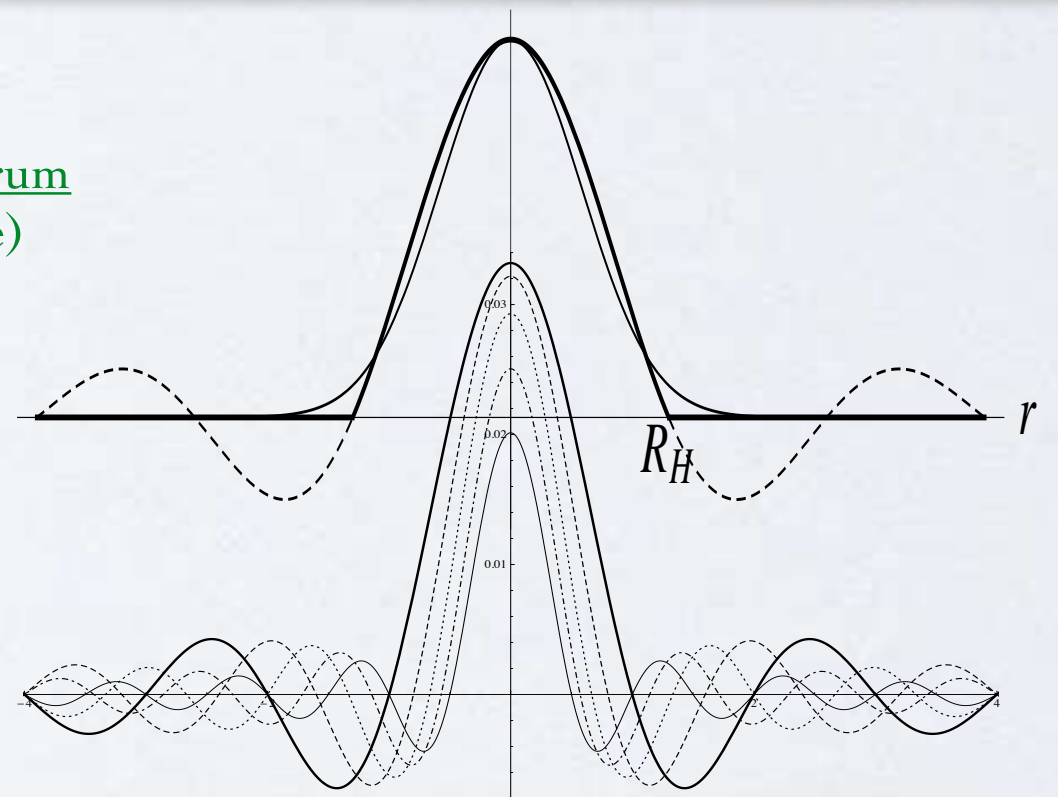
$$|\psi_S\rangle = \frac{1}{N!} \sum_{\{\sigma_i\}} \left[ \bigotimes_{i=1}^N |\psi_S^{(i)}\rangle \right]$$



$$C(E > M) \sim \frac{\gamma}{m^{3/2}} \frac{(E - M)}{\exp\left(\frac{E - M}{m}\right) - 1}$$



$$\frac{\Delta r_H}{\langle \hat{r}_H \rangle} \sim \frac{\gamma}{N}$$



## 4) Summary and outlook

1. Horizon Quantum Mechanics so far:
  - GUP for single particle
  - Semiclassical behaviour for radiating BEC black holes (end of evaporation)
  - Quantum Hoop conjecture (for 2 particles in 1+1D)
  - Minimum mass quantum black holes from dressed graviton propagator
  - Charged sources and Quantum Cosmic Censorship
  - Black holes in higher and lower dimensions
  - Horizon wave-function in cosmology
2. Modified Time Evolution
3. Generalise to **spinning** systems ( $\sim$  Kerr)
4. Analyse (2-)particle collisions with angular momentum+**spin**
5. (Hope for) **quantum description of gravitational collapse**

Thank you!