# A black hole as big as a universe?

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# Solitons

# localized, finite energy, stable, regular (particle-like) solutions in flat and curved space-time

#### **Topological solitons**

- carry topological charge (non-trivial vacuum manifold)
- In theories with spontaneous symmetry breaking
- Examples: (Cosmic) Strings, Monopoles, Domain walls ...

#### Non-topological solitons

- carry globally conserved Noether charge
- In theories with continuous symmetry
- Examples: *Q*-balls, boson stars ...

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# **Black holes**

- form whenever mass M collapses to within its Schwarzschild radius  $r_s = 2m, m = MG/c^2$
- physical singularity hidden behind event horizon
- event horizon  $r = r_s$ : infinite redshift of photons
- come in different masses
  - supermassive  $(10^6 10^9 M_{sun})$
  - stellar mass (a few  $M_{sun}$ )
  - primordial (atomic)





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#### A black hole as big as a universe?

#### Black holes (BHs)

- Exact solutions of the full, i.e. non-linear Einstein equation
- Simplest case: vacuum <sup>1</sup>

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)dt^{2} + \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\theta^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta d\varphi^{2}\right)$$

with  $m = MG/c^2$ 

• r = 0 is a physical singularity

<sup>1</sup>Schwarzschild, 1916

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# Some analytically given BH solutions

Vacuum (uncharged) or + electromagnetic field (charged)

	Non-rotating (static) J=0	Rotating (stationary) J ≠ 0
Uncharged Q = 0	Schwarzschild (1916)	Kerr (1963)
Charged Q ≠ 0	Reissner- Nordström (1916)	Kerr-Newman (1965)

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# Simplicity of BHs : Theory

- ISRAEL'S THEOREM<sup>2</sup>: The only static vacuum (charged) space-time being non-singular (on and outside the horizon) is the spherically symmetric Schwarzschild (Reissner-Nordström) space-time.
- STRONG RIGIDITY THEOREM <sup>3</sup> : **Stationary rotating** black holes are either **axisymmetric** or have a non-rotating horizon.
- NO-HAIR THEOREM<sup>4</sup>: A stationary rotating black hole solution to the vacuum (Maxwell-) Einstein system is uniquely determined by its mass, angular momentum (and charge) and described by the corresponding Kerr(-Newman) solution.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Birkhoff, 1923; Israel, 1967/1968

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Hawking, 1973

<sup>4</sup>Wheeler, 1971; Carter, 1972; Robinson, Mazur, 1982; Chrusciel, 1996; and many more 🕨 🛪 🚊 🕨 🛓 🚽 🔍 🔍

# Simplicity of BHs : Observations

#### Gravitational waves @ LIGO/VIRGO<sup>5</sup>



- merger of two black holes
- O(10) solar masses, i.e. astrophysical
- Final black hole very well described by Kerr black hole
- only gravitational waves (and no other radiation) emitted

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<sup>5</sup>LIGO/VIRGO collaboration, since 2015

# Simplicity of BHs : Observations

#### Shadow of black hole @ Event Horizon Telescope (EHT) <sup>6</sup>



- supermassive black hole (6.5 billion solar masses)
- at center of galaxy M87
- event horizon radius approx.
  120 x Earth-Sun distance
- emission from plasma close to horizon observed in radiowaves (1.3 mm)
- "picture" compatible with that of Kerr black hole

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<sup>6</sup>EHT Collaboration, since 2019







#### Interpretation

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# Why scalar fields?

#### Scalar fields

- appear in (nearly) all extensions of SM + GR, e.g. Kaluza-Klein theory, String Theory, Supergravity, ...
- are important in early universe cosmology, e.g. scalar field ("inflaton") driving exponential expansion of early universe (inflation)<sup>7</sup>
- are often used to describe collective phenomena, e.g. superconductivity<sup>8</sup>

#### No scalar hair theorem: <sup>9</sup>

A static, asymptotically flat, bare black hole can be endowed with **no** exterior classical massive or massless, charged or uncharged, real or complex valued scalar fields.

<sup>7</sup>Starobinsky, 1980; Guth, 1981; Linde, 1982

<sup>8</sup>Ginzburg, Landau, 1950

<sup>9</sup>Chase, 1970; Bekenstein, 1972 & 1995; Heusler 1992; Sudarsky, 1995 🛛 🗸 🗆 ד 🖉 ד 🖈 👘 🖉 👘 👘

# Uncharged *Q*-balls & Boson stars

Complex scalar field with potential  $V(|\Phi|)$  coupled to GR <sup>10</sup> <sup>11</sup>

$$S = \int \mathrm{d}^4 x \; \sqrt{-g} \left( \frac{R}{16\pi G} - \partial_\mu \Phi^* \partial^\mu \Phi - V(|\Phi|) \right)$$

with scalar field potential

$$V(|\Phi|) = m_{\Phi}^2 |\Phi|^2 + V_{\text{int}}(|\Phi|)$$

 $m_{\Phi}^2$ : scalar boson mass  $V_{\mathrm{int}} \sim \mathcal{O}(|\Phi|^4)$  self-interaction

• invariant under global U(1) symmetry  $\Phi \to \exp(i\alpha)\Phi$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ 

#### $\Rightarrow$ globally conserved Noether charge $Q_N$

 $^{11}c = \hbar \equiv 1$  here and in the following

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Kaup, 1968; Ruffini & Bonazzola, 1969; Jetzer, 1992; Mielke & Schunck, 2003

# Uncharged Q-balls and boson stars

• spherically symmetric solutions

$$\Phi = \exp(i\omega t)\phi(r)$$

with  $\omega$  constant, real  $\rightarrow$  harmonic time-dependence

- flat space-time limit: *Q*-ball <sup>12</sup> needs (at least)  $V_{\rm int} \sim |\Phi|^6/m_\Phi^2 - |\Phi|^4$
- boson star with  $V_{\rm int}=0$ : mass  $M/M_{\rm sun}\sim 10^{-10}~{\rm eV}/m_{\Phi}$
- boson star with  $V_{\rm int} \sim |\Phi|^6/m_\Phi^2 |\Phi|^4$ : mass  $M/M_{\rm sun} \sim (10^{15} {\rm eV}/m_\Phi)^3$
- viable alternative to supermassive BHs, but without
  - event horizon
  - physical singularity

<sup>12</sup>Coleman, 1986

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#### Charged Q-balls & boson stars

• global U(1) symmetry can be gauged  $\rightarrow$  charged generalization:

$$\partial_{\mu} \rightarrow D_{\mu} = \partial_{\mu} - ieA_{\mu} \quad , \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu}A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu}A_{\mu}$$

- spherically symmetric case
  - electric field  $\vec{E} = -\partial_r v(r) \vec{e_r}$ ,  $A_t(r) = v(r)$  electric potential

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$$\omega \to \Omega := \omega - ev_{\infty}, v_{\infty} = v(\infty)$$

• electric charge  $Q = eQ_N$ ,  $Q_N$  Noether charge



#### Q-clouds on Schwarzschild black holes

Hod, 2012; Hong, Suzuki, Yamada, 2019; Herdeiro & Radu, 2020



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#### Q-clouds: electric charge of the cloud



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# Two different Q-cloud solutions

For the exact same values of the couplings: two distinct solutions



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#### Backreaction of Q-cloud on black hole

Y. Brihaye, BH, arxiv: 2009.08293 branch 1: strong backreaction  $\rightarrow$  extremally charged black hole + singular scalar field



Increasing gravitational

backreaction





#### Backreaction of Q-cloud on black hole

Y. Brihaye, BH, arxiv: 2009.08293 branch 2: strong backreaction  $\rightarrow$  extremally charged black hole + constant scalar field



#### Charged Boson stars at strong backreaction

Y. Brihaye, F. Cônsole, BH, arxiv: 2010.15625 branch 2: strong backreaction  $\rightarrow$  extremally charged black hole with cosmological horizon + constant scalar field











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- Static, spherically symmetric black holes can carry scalar hair if
  - scalar field complex charged under U(1)
  - harmonic time dependence of scalar field  $\sim \exp(i\omega t)$
  - (at least) 6th order self-interaction
  - resonance condition  $\omega = ev(r_h)$  fulfilled
- Typically two different branches of solutions
  - branch 1: cloud localized on horizon; horizon and cloud carry electric charge
  - branch 2: cloud strongly extended; nearly all charge in the cloud
- Gravitational backreaction of Q-cloud
  - branch 1: scalar cloud disappears; formation of extremal black hole; diverging scalar field derivative on horizon
  - branch 2: scalar field constant inside cloud → potential scalar field energy → solution forms cosmological horizon that looks like extremal black hole from outside



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