

# Primordial black holes and Hawking radiation

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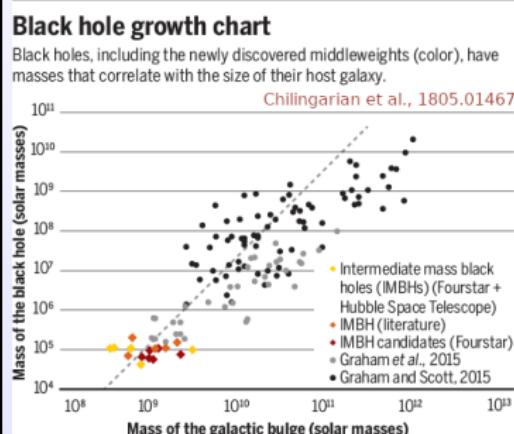
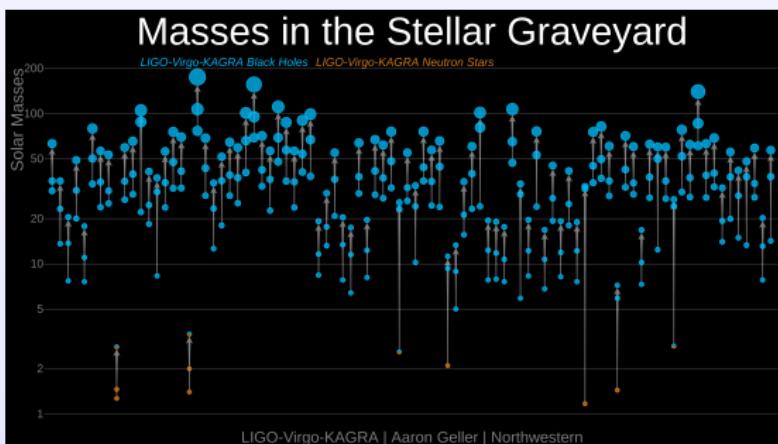
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# Observed black holes

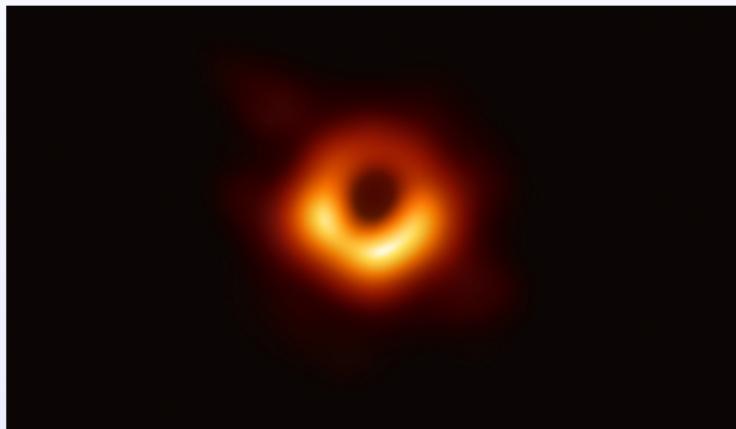
Three types of black holes have been discovered

- Stellar black holes  
BHs originated in the explosion of massive stars/supernovae,  $\sim 3 - 200 M_{\odot}$
- Intermediate mass black holes (IMBH)  
New class of recently discovered BHs,  $\sim 10^3 - 10^6 M_{\odot}$
- supermassive black holes (SMBH)  
BHs at the center of galaxies,  $\sim 10^6 - 10^9 M_{\odot}$

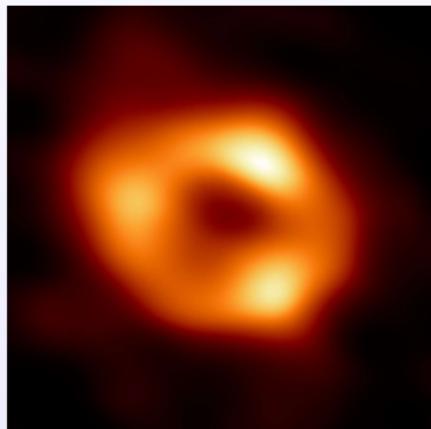


# Imaging black holes

Supermassive black holes images by the Event Horizon Telescope



M87\* (2019)



Sgr A\* (yesterday)

## Origin of primordial black holes

### Multiple inflationary origins

- collapse of large primordial overdensities
- phase transitions
- collapse of cosmic strings, domain walls

### Mass predictions

Assuming that one PBH can be formed in a Hubble volume in the early Universe, one gets

$$M_{\text{PBH}} \sim M_{\text{Planck}} \times \frac{t_0}{t_{\text{Planck}}} \sim 10^{38} \text{ g} \times t_0(\text{s})$$

where  $t_0$  is the creation time.

We get:

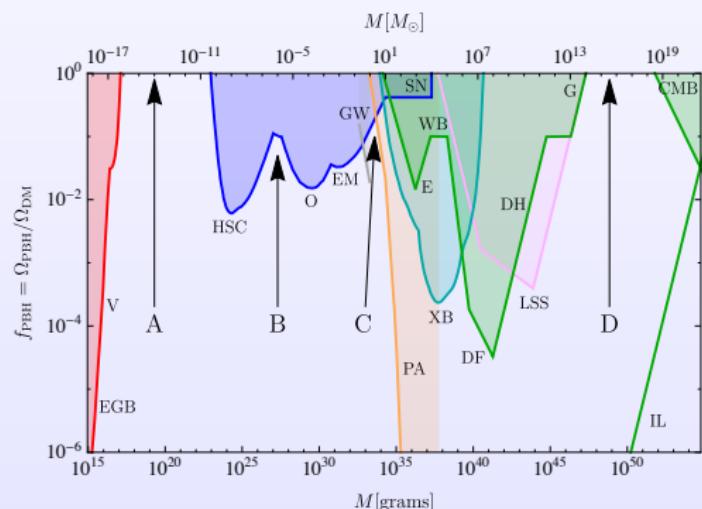
- $M \sim 10^{-5} \text{ g}$  for  $t_0 \sim 10^{-43} \text{ s} \rightarrow$  Planck black holes
- $M \sim 10^{15} \text{ g}$  for  $t_0 \sim 10^{-23} \text{ s} \rightarrow$  lightest black holes still (possibly) existing
- $M \sim 10^5 M_\odot$  for  $t_0 \sim 1 \text{ s} \rightarrow$  IMHB? seeds for SMBH?

# Constraints on Primordial Black Holes

## Plausible dark matter candidates

- no need for Standard Model / General Relativity extension
- dynamically cold
- BH existence (somehow) proven
- mass ranges still available for BHs to represent all of dark matter

### Constraints on PBHs – from Carr & Kuhnel, 2006.02838



red: evaporation  
 blue: lensing  
 gray: gravitational waves  
 light blue: accretion  
 orange: CMB distortions  
 green: dynamical effects  
 purple: large scale structure

**A-D: possible open windows**

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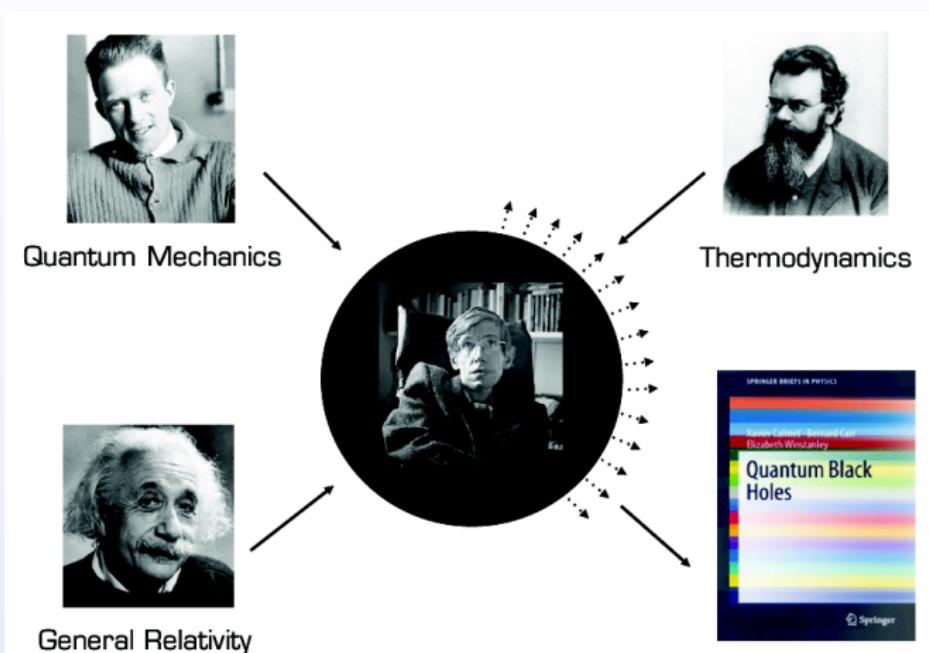
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## Hawking radiation

# Why are PBHs so special?

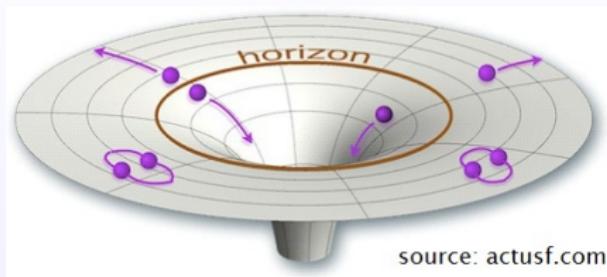
Light PBHs cannot be described only with General Relativity...



from B. Carr

... because they emit Hawking radiation and evaporate!

## Black hole Hawking radiation



### Fundamental equation for Kerr BHs

Rate of emission of Standard Model particles  $i$  at energy  $E$  by a BH of mass  $M$  and spin parameter  $a^*$ :

$$Q_i = \frac{d^2N_i}{dtdE} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{\text{dof.}} \frac{\Gamma_i(M, E, a^*)}{e^{E'/T(M, a^*)} \pm 1}$$

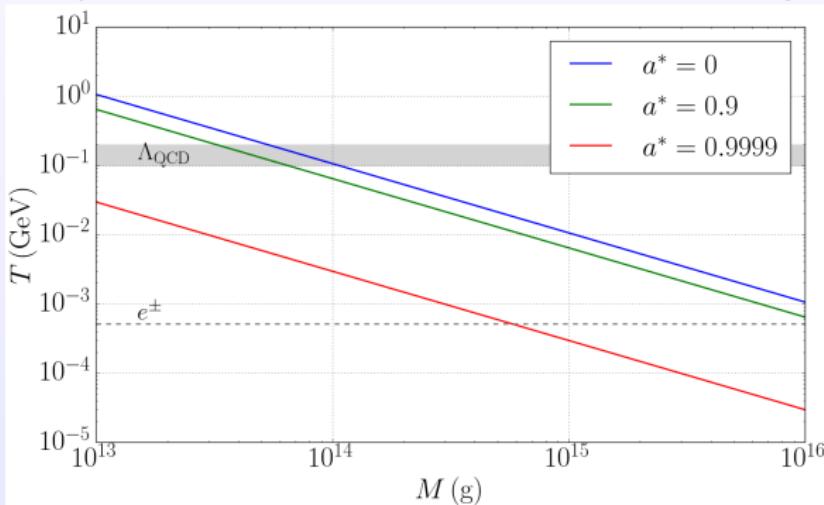
$\Gamma_i$  is the greybody factor ( $\sim$  absorption coefficient in Planck's black-body law)

## Hawking temperature

### Hawking temperature for Kerr BHs

$$T(M, a^*) = \frac{1}{4\pi M} \left( \frac{\sqrt{1 - (a^*)^2}}{1 + \sqrt{1 - (a^*)^2}} \right) \xrightarrow[a^*=0]{\text{Schwarzschild}} \frac{1}{8\pi M}$$

Comparison with the  $e^\pm$  rest mass and QCD scale  $\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$



BHs get warmer when they lose energy via Hawking radiation.

## Kerr Hawking radiation equations

### Kerr metric

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 = & \left(1 - \frac{2Mr}{\Sigma^2}\right) dt^2 + \frac{4a^* M^2 r \sin^2 \theta}{\Sigma^2} dt d\phi - \frac{\Sigma^2}{\Delta} dr^2 \\ & - \Sigma^2 d\theta^2 - \left(r^2 + (a^*)^2 M^2 + \frac{2(a^*)^2 M^3 r \sin^2 \theta}{\Sigma^2}\right) \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Sigma \equiv r^2 + (a^*)^2 M^2 \cos^2 \theta \text{ and } \Delta \equiv r^2 - 2Mr + (a^*)^2 M^2$$

### Equations of motion in free space

Dirac:  $(i\not{\partial} - \mu)\psi = 0$  (fermions)

Proca:  $(\square + \mu^2)\phi = 0$  (bosons)

$\mu$  = rest mass

## Kerr Hawking radiation equations

### Teukolsky radial equation

$$\frac{1}{\Delta^s} \frac{d}{dr} \left( \Delta^{s+1} \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + \left( \frac{K^2 + 2is(r-M)K}{\Delta} - 4isEr - \lambda_{slm} - \mu^2 r^2 \right) R = 0$$

$R$  radial component of  $\psi/\phi$

$K \equiv (r^2 + a^2)E + am$ ,  $s$  = spin,  $l$  = angular momentum and  $m$  = projection

### Transformation into a Schrödinger equation

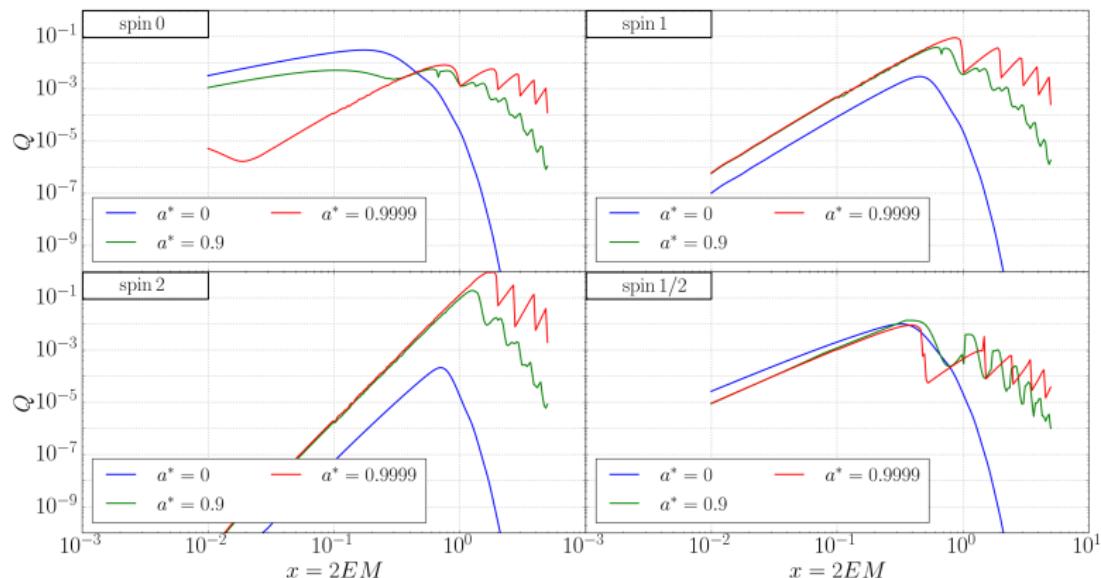
Change  $\psi/\phi \rightarrow Z$  and  $r \rightarrow r^*$  (generalized Eddington-Finkelstein coordinate system)  
(Chandrasekhar & Detweiler 1970s)

$$\frac{d^2 Z}{dr^{*2}} + (E^2 - V(r^*))Z = 0$$

Solved with purely outgoing solution  $Z \xrightarrow{r^* \rightarrow -\infty} e^{-iEr^*}$

Transmission coefficient  $\Gamma \equiv |Z_{\text{out}}^{+\infty}/Z_{\text{out}}^{\text{horizon}}|^2$

# Hawking radiation of particles



All particles can be emitted by a black hole!

Including gravitons / gravitational waves... and even new physics particles!

Hawking radiation is enhanced for particles of spin 1 or 2.

# Black hole lifetime

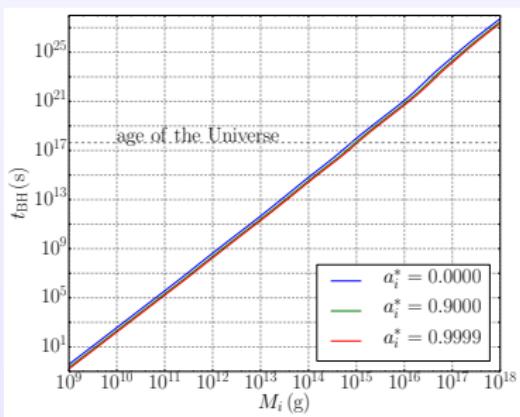
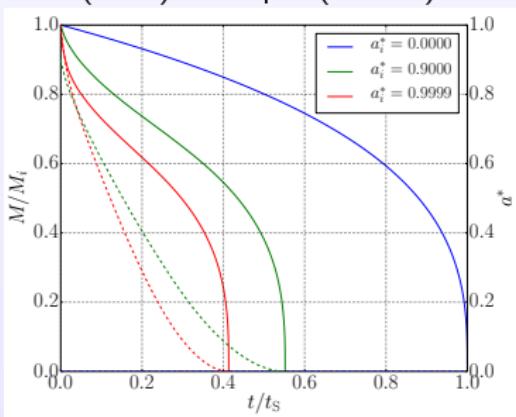
## Evolution equations

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = -\frac{f(M, a^*)}{M^2}$$

$$\frac{da^*}{dt} = \frac{a^*(2f(M, a^*) - g(M, a^*))}{M^3}$$

$$f \sim \int_E \text{ener.} \times \text{emiss.}$$

$$g \sim \int_E \text{ang. mom.} \times \text{emiss.}$$

**BH lifetime****BH mass (solid) and spin (dotted) evolution**

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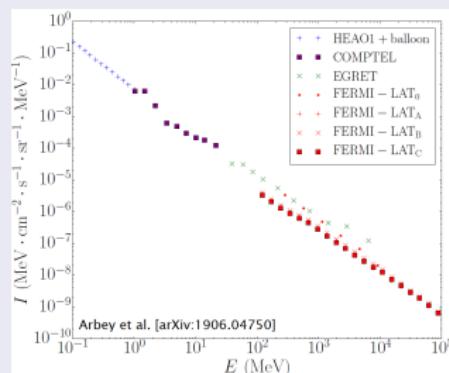
## Constraints on primordial black holes

# Isotropic gamma ray background (IGRB) constraints

## Origin

Diffuse background +

- Active galactic nuclei
- Gamma ray bursts
- DM annihilation/decay?
- Hawking radiation?



Flux estimation for BHs

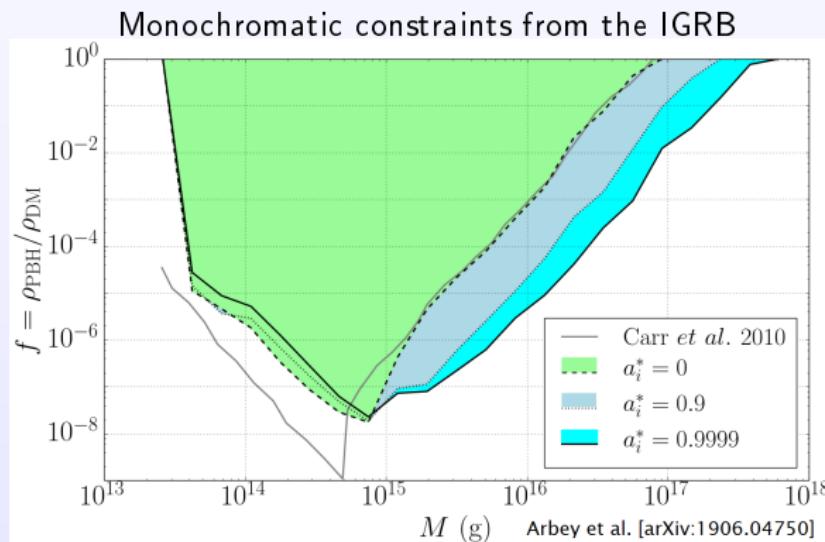
AA et al., arXiv:1906.04750

$$\begin{aligned} I &\approx \frac{1}{4\pi} E \int_{t_{\text{CMB}}}^{t_{\text{today}}} (1+z(t)) \\ &\times \int_M \left[ \frac{dn}{dM} \frac{d^2N}{dt dE} (M, (1+z(t))E) dM \right] dt \end{aligned}$$

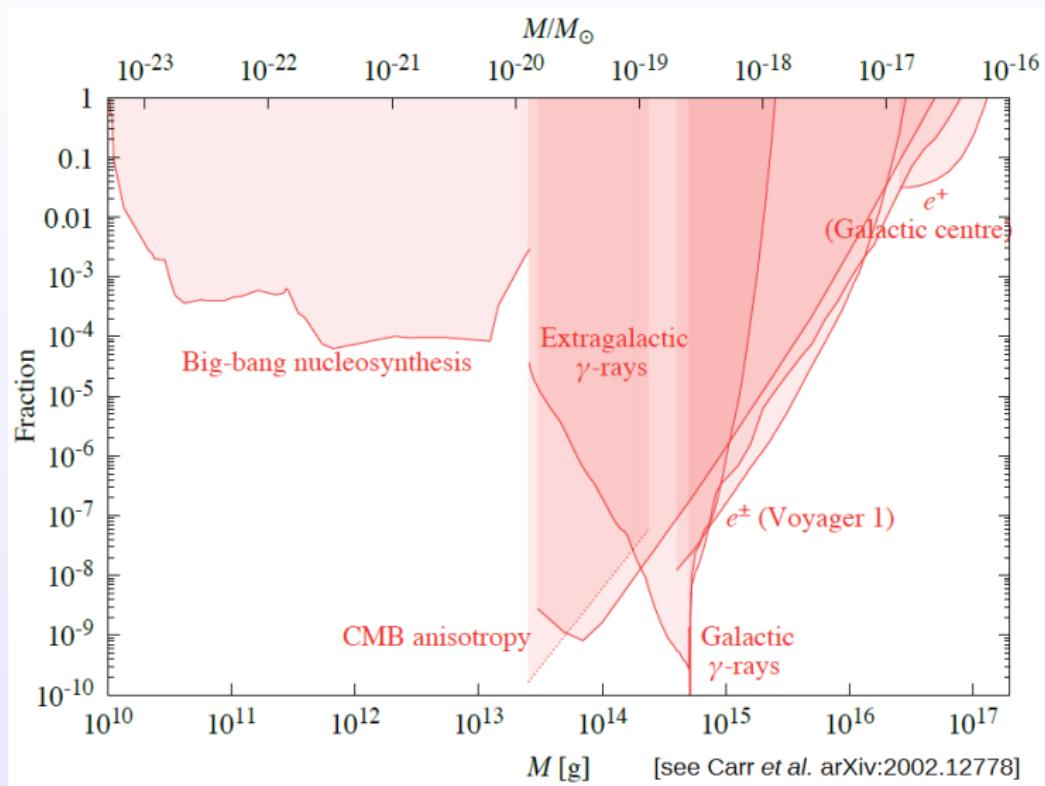
# IGRB and Kerr PBHs: monochromatic mass distributions

## Main spin effects

- enhanced luminosity  $\Rightarrow$  stronger constraints
- reduced temperature  $\Rightarrow$  reduced emission energy  $\Rightarrow$  weaker constraints



# Complementary constraints



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## Non-standard black holes

# The case of static spherically-symmetric metrics

AA, J. Auffinger, M. Geiller, E. Livine, F. Sartini, arXiv:2101.02951 + 2107.03293

$$ds^2 = -G(r)dt^2 + \frac{1}{F(r)}dr^2 + H(r)d\Omega^2$$

Equations of motion:

$$\partial_{r^*}^2 Z + (\omega^2 - V(r(r^*)))Z = 0$$

where  $dr^*/dr \equiv 1/\sqrt{FG}$  and the spin-dependent potentials  $V$  are related to  $F, G, H$ .

Transmission coefficient:  $\Gamma_i \equiv |Z_{\text{out}}^{+\infty}/Z_{\text{out}}^{\text{horizon}}|^2$

Rate of emission of one degree of freedom  $i$  per unit time  $t$  and energy  $E$ :

$$\frac{d^2N_i}{dt dE} = \sum_{l,m} \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_i(E, M, x_j)}{e^{E/T} - (-1)^{2s_i}},$$

where  $s_i$  is the spin of the particle  $i$  and  $T$  is its Hawking temperature given by

$$T = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left. \frac{F^{1/2}G'}{G^{1/2}} \right|_{\text{hor}}$$

where “hor” denotes the horizon  $r = r_H$ .

## Extra-dimensional PBHs

Metric:

$$F(r) = G(r) \equiv 1 - \left(\frac{r_H}{r}\right)^{n+1}, \quad H(r) = r^2$$

where  $n > 0$  is the number of extra dimensions.

Horizon radius is given by

$$r_H = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi} M_*} \left( \frac{M}{M_*} \right)^{1/(n+1)} \left( \frac{8\Gamma((n+3)/2)}{n+2} \right)^{1/(n+1)}$$

where  $\Gamma$  is the Euler gamma function and the rescaled Planck mass is

$$M_{\text{Pl}}^2 = M_*^{n+2} R^n$$

with  $R$  the radius of the extra-dimension(s).

Temperature:

$$T_n = \frac{\kappa_n}{2\pi} = \frac{n+1}{4\pi r_H}$$

Remark: Schwarzschild metric retrieved for  $n = 0$ .

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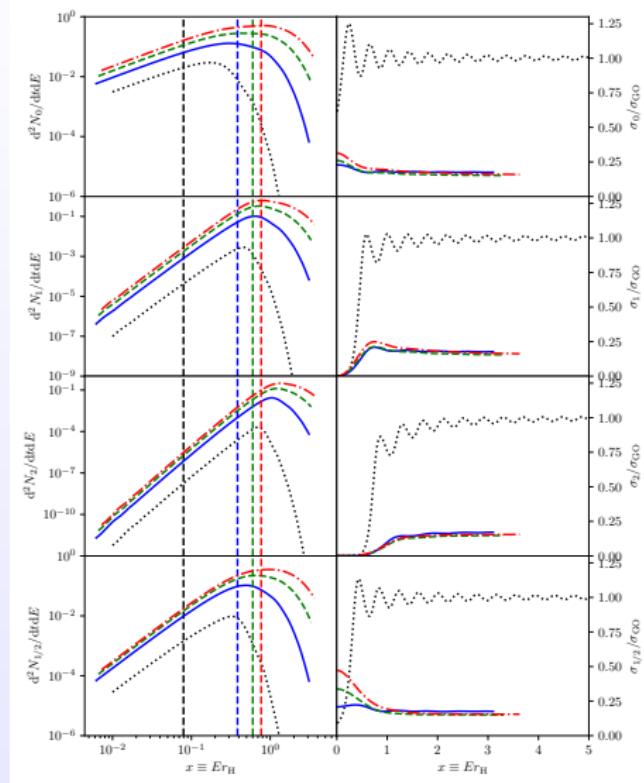
## Hawking radiation spectra

dotted black: Schwarzschild

blue:  $n = 2$

green:  $n = 4$

red:  $n = 6$



## LQG-inspired PBHs

Schwarzschild BHs are singular at the center → non-physical → quantum gravity?

Loop Quantum gravity (LQG): structure of spacetime described by spin networks.

Metric inspired by LQG, regularising the naked singularity at the center of the Schwarzschild metric:

$$G = \frac{(r - r_+)(r - r_-)(r + \sqrt{r_+ r_-})^2}{r^4 + a_0^2}, \quad F = \frac{(r - r_+)(r - r_-)r^4}{(r + \sqrt{r_+ r_-})^2(r^4 + a_0^2)}, \quad H = r^2 + \frac{a_0^2}{r^2}.$$

Two roots:  $r_+ = \frac{2M}{(1+P)^2}$  and  $r_- = \frac{2MP(\varepsilon)^2}{(1+P)^2}$

$M$ : (ADM) mass

$P(\varepsilon) = \frac{\sqrt{1+\varepsilon^2} - 1}{\sqrt{1+\varepsilon^2} + 1}$ : polymerization factor

$a_0$ : minimal area in loop quantum gravity, typically of the Planck scale

$\varepsilon \geq 0$ : typical scale of the geometry fluctuations (a priori independent parameter)

Temperature:  $T_{\text{LQG}} = \frac{r_+^2(r_+ - r_-)}{4\pi(r_+^4 + a_0^2)}$

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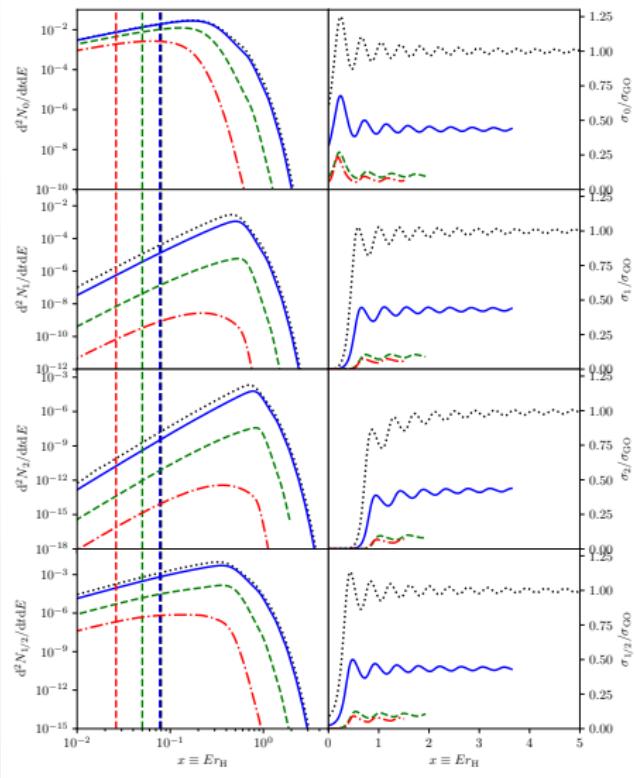
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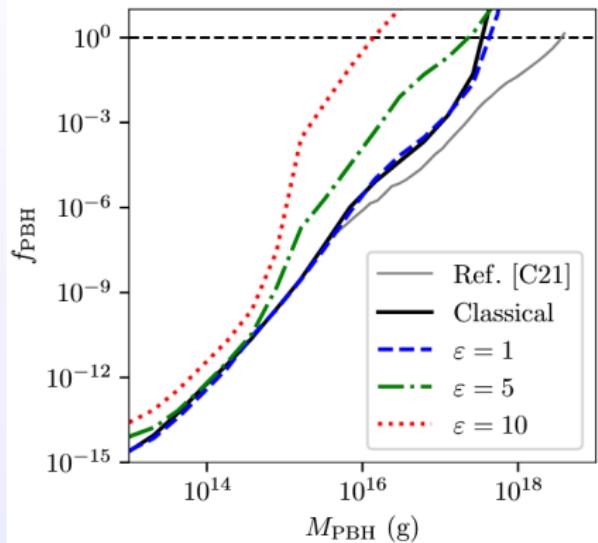
blue:  $\epsilon = 1$

green:  $\epsilon = 4$

red:  $\epsilon = 10$



# LQG-inspired PBHs



Predictions for the sensitivity of the AMEGO gamma-ray experiment to classical and polymerised LQG-inspired PBHs

$\epsilon$ : scale of deformation of spacetime due to polymerisation in Loop Quantum Gravity

AA, J. Auffinger, M. Geiller, E. Livine, F. Sartini, arXiv:2101.02951 + 2107.03293

→ Theories beyond General Relativity predict very different signals of Hawking radiation.

# BlackHawk

Public C code computing Hawking radiation:

- Schwarzschild & Kerr PBHs + non-standard BHs
- primary spectra of all Standard Model fundamental particles
- secondary spectra of stable particles
- extended mass and spin functions
- time evolution of the PBHs

**Download:** <http://blackhawk.hepforge.org>

**Manual:** [arXiv:1905.04268](#), [Eur.Phys.J. C79, 693](#)  
+ [arXiv:2108.02737](#), [Eur.Phys.J. C81, 10](#)

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## BlackHawk

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### Calculation of the Hawking evaporation spectra of any black hole distribution

BlackHawk is a public C program for calculating the Hawking evaporation spectra of any black hole distribution. This program enables the users to compute the primary and secondary spectra of stable or long-lived particles generated by Hawking radiation of the distribution of black holes, and to study their evolution in time.

If you use BlackHawk to publish a paper, please cite:

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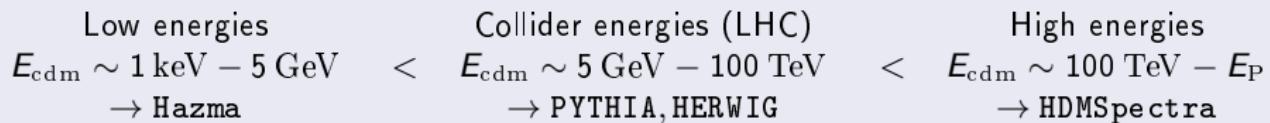
## Secondary spectra

Particles produced via Hawking radiation are not all stable:  
**hadronisation, decay, fragmentation...**

## Schematical description



## Interfaces

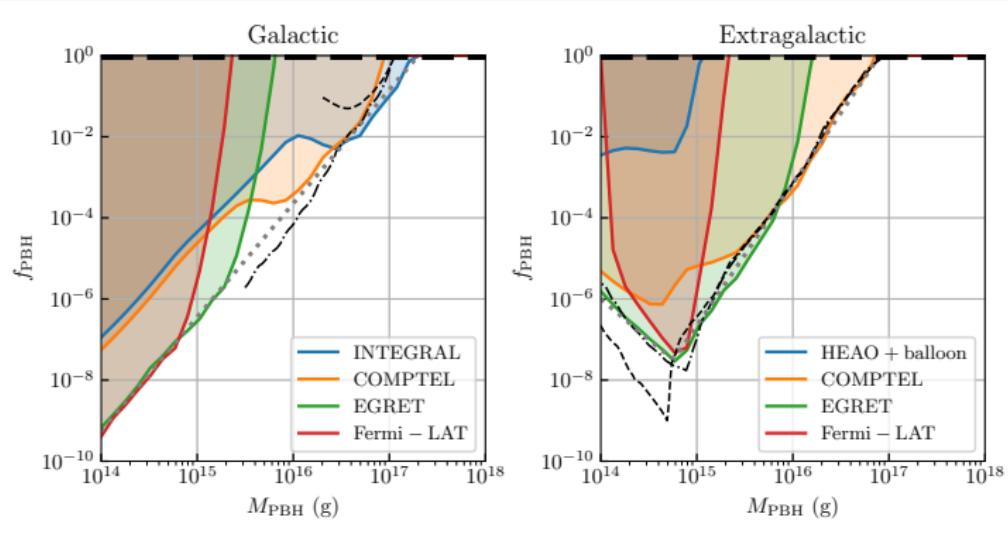


# A BlackHawk tool: Isatis

## Isatis

Aims at computing automatically the PBH constraints from BlackHawk Hawking radiation spectra. Embeds a BlackHawk launcher as well as the technical characteristics of various (prospective) optical instruments.

**Manual:** J. Auffinger, arXiv:2201.01265, Eur.Phys.J. C82, 384

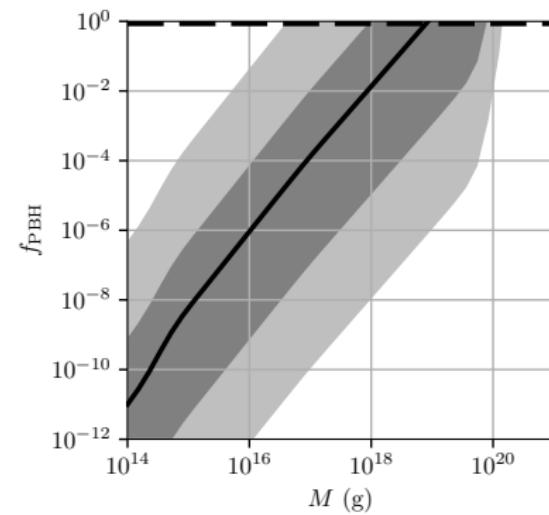


## A BlackHawk tool: Isatis

### Application

Isatis can be used to explore the impact of various assumptions and uncertainties on the PBH constraints:

{ instrument characteristics  
(extra)galactic photon flux  
statistical treatment  
Hawking radiation



## Summary

### Main results

- Study of the evolution of PBHs and experimental constraints
- Extension non-standard PBH
- Public code BlackHawk to compute Hawking radiation
- Public code Isatis to assess constraints

### Perspectives

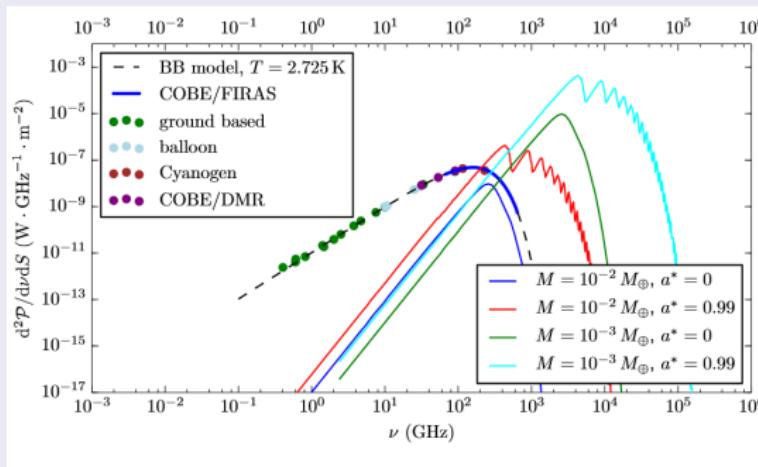
- Closing the remaining PBH mass windows for all dark matter into PBHs?
- Other types of non-standard PBHs?
- Constraints from extrasolar planet searches?
- Other constraints...

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# A primordial black hole in the Solar System

## Looking for Planet Black Hole 9



Comparison of radiation by a  
planet-mass PBH and by the  
Cosmic Microwave  
Background

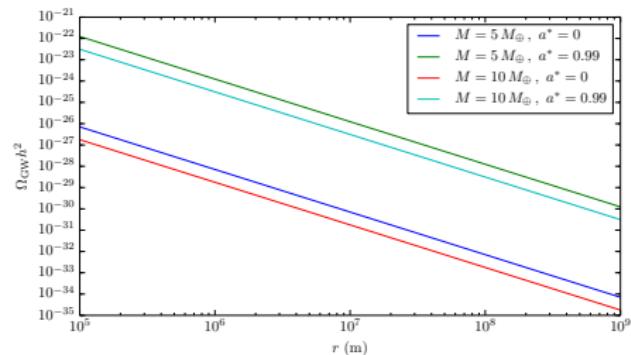
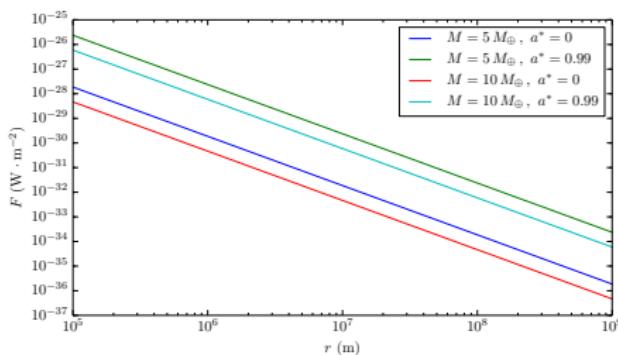
AA, J. Auffinger, 2006.02944

→ A PBH with mass similar to a planet in our Solar System would emit a theoretically measurable *in-situ* Hawking radiation.



## Towards Planet 9...

Hawking radiation too weak to be seen from Earth



AA, J. Auffinger, 2006.02944

→ need to send a probe in orbit to study the emitted radio waves (and why not gravitational waves)

(→ Breakthrough Starshot project, proof-of-concept for a fleet of light sail spacecrafts)