DRAFT Primordial Black Holes and Loop Quantum Gravity: Implications for Cosmology

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Appendix A

Mathematical Details of LQC Derivations

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Appendix B

Numerical Codes and Data

Here is the mathematica notebook used for this master thesis:

```
(* :: Package:: *)
(* :: Title:: *)
(*PBH - v1*)
(* ::Subtitle:: *)
(*Constants*)
(* :: Input:: *)
(*(* Taken from the PDG, in SI *)*)
(*c = 299792458)
                                                                  (*speed of light
    in vacuum, [m s^-1]*)*)
(*h = 6.62607015*10^{-34})
                                                      (*Planck constant [Js]*)*)
(*hbar = h/2*Pi
                                                                (*reduced Planck
  constant [Js]*)*)
(*Q_e = 1*)
(**)
(**)
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