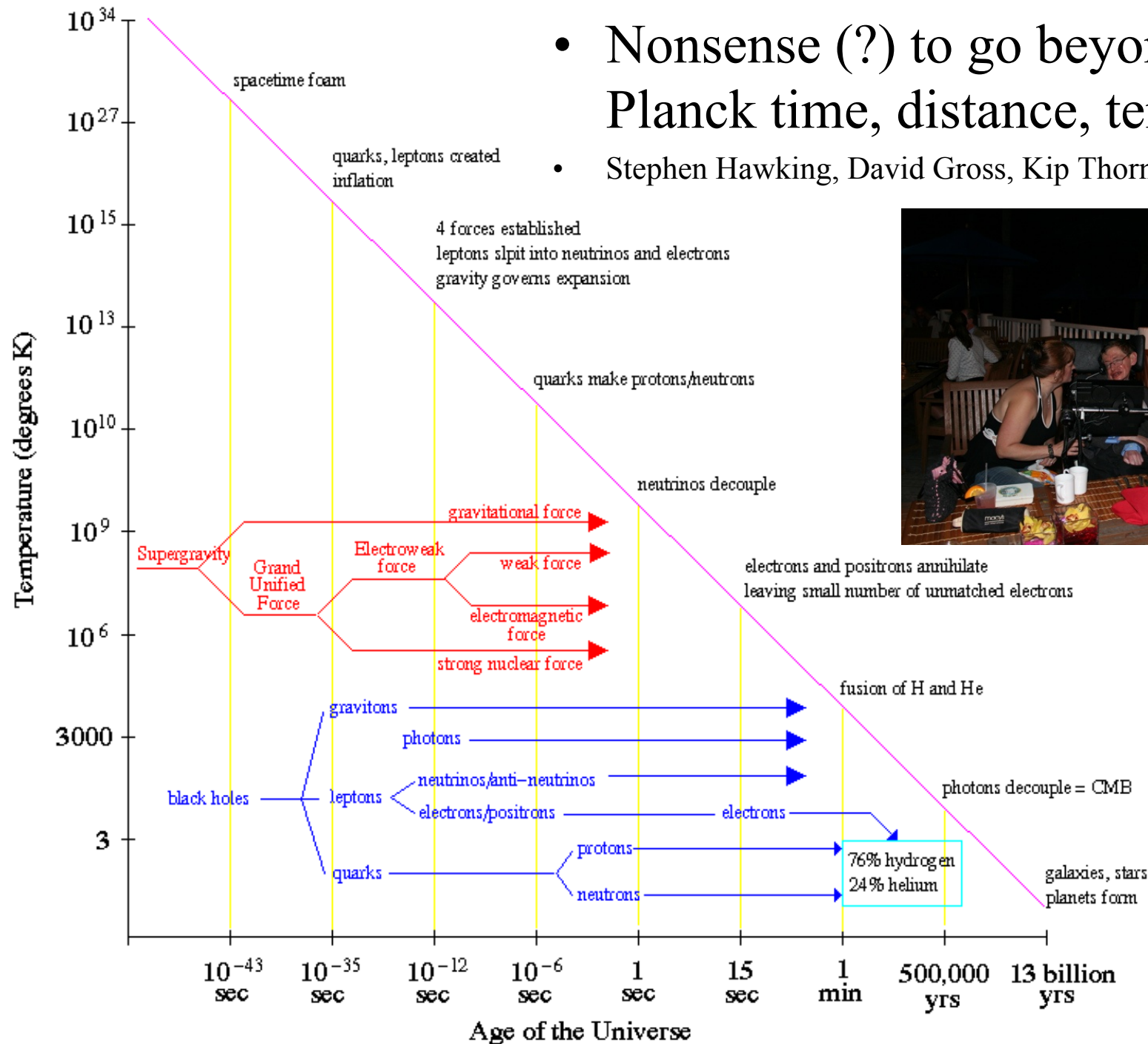


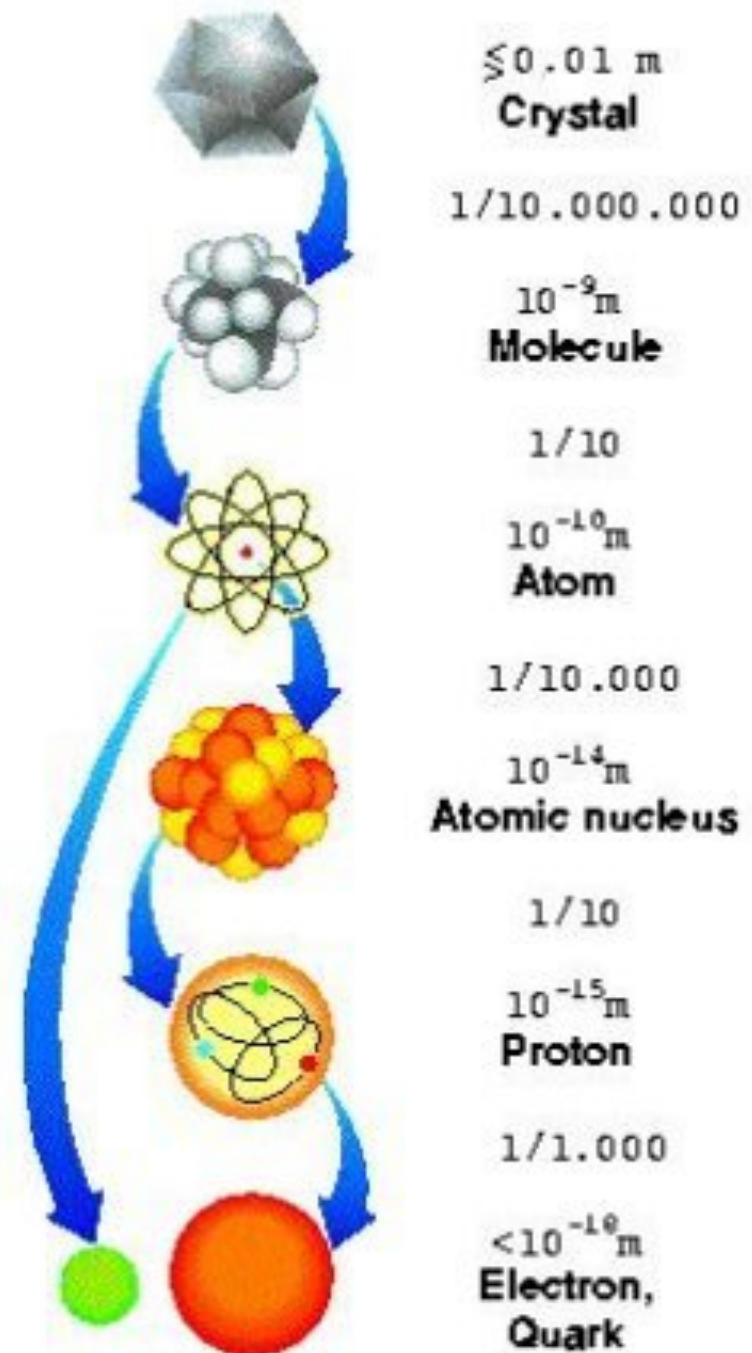
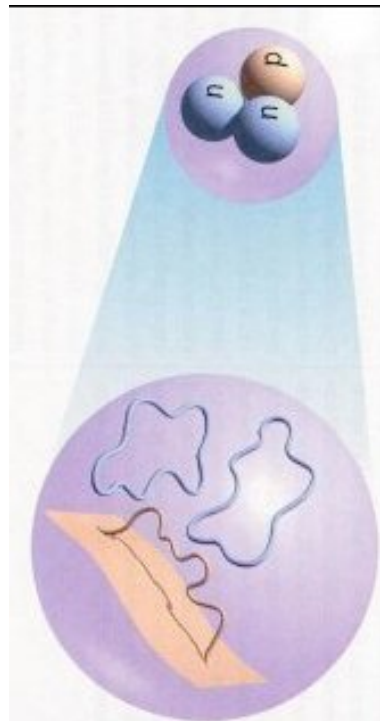
• Nonsense (?) to go beyond the Planck time, distance, temperature

• Stephen Hawking, David Gross, Kip Thorne, Lisa Randall



String Theory: The Unification of Quantum & GR?

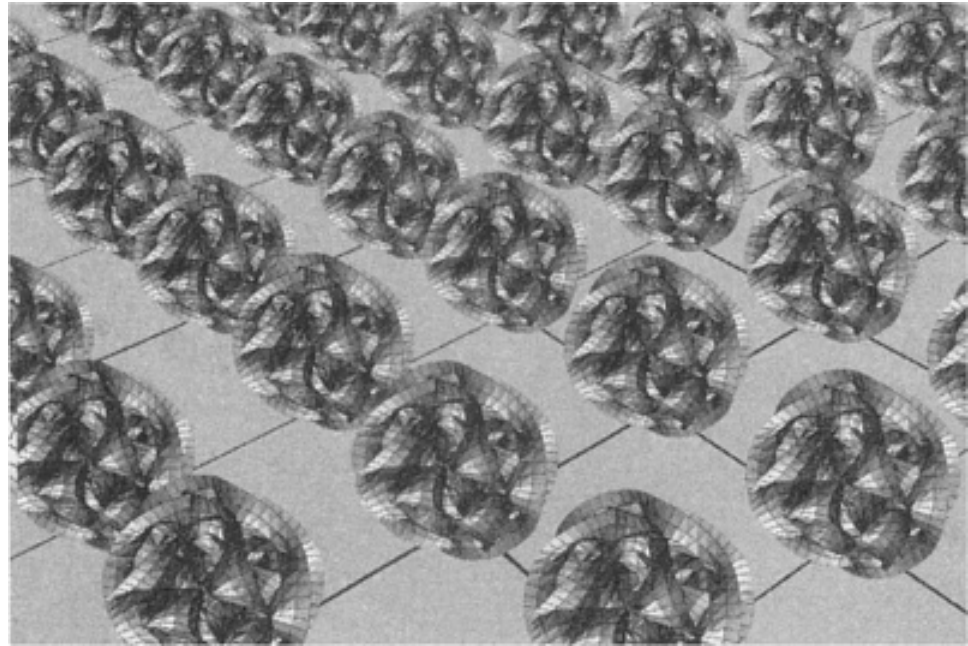
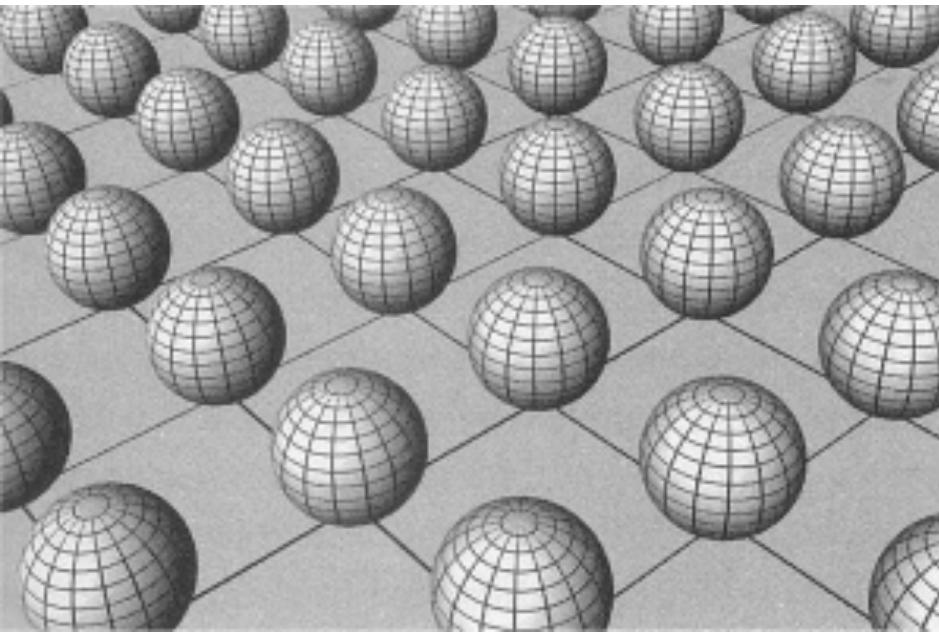
- The subatomic particles are pieces of superconducting string
- Vibrating in different modes for different particles



String Theory: requires more dimensions

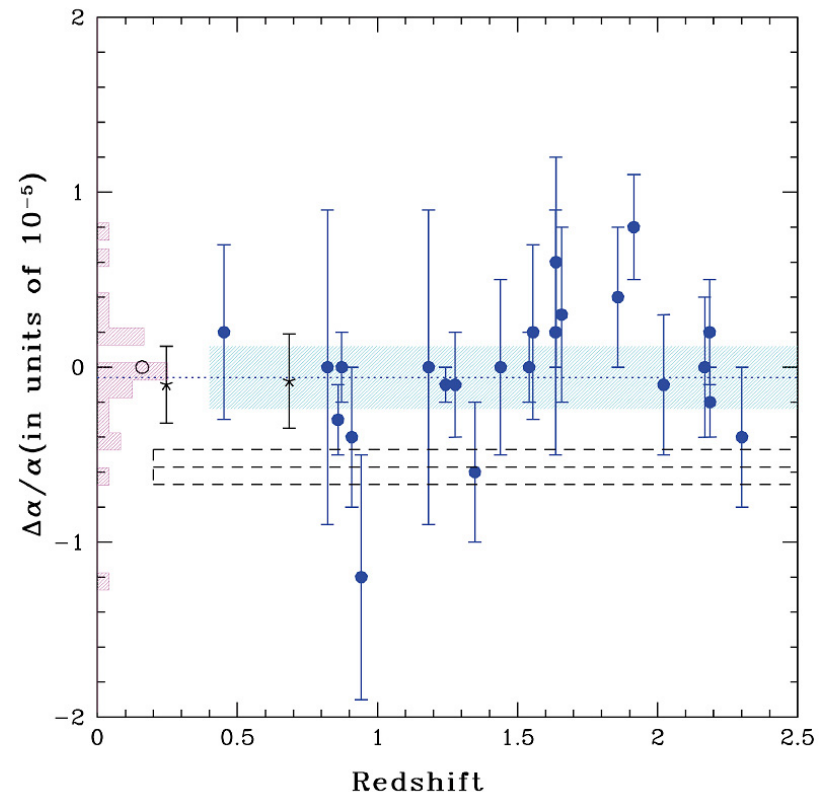
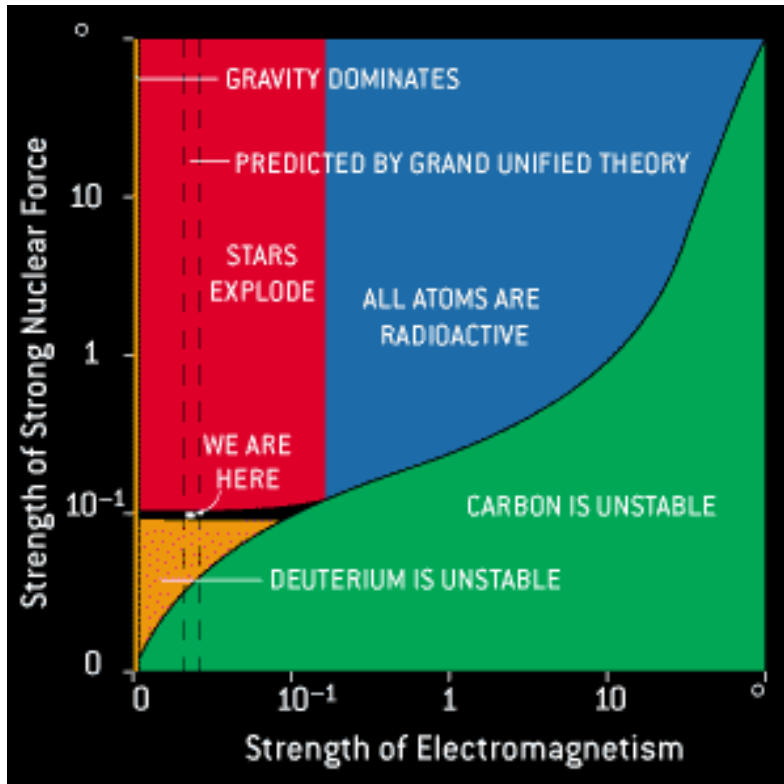


- The ant on the 1-D string is really 3-D string when magnified
- Similarly each point in 2-D surface could be 5-D
- And each point in 2-D could be 10-D ?????



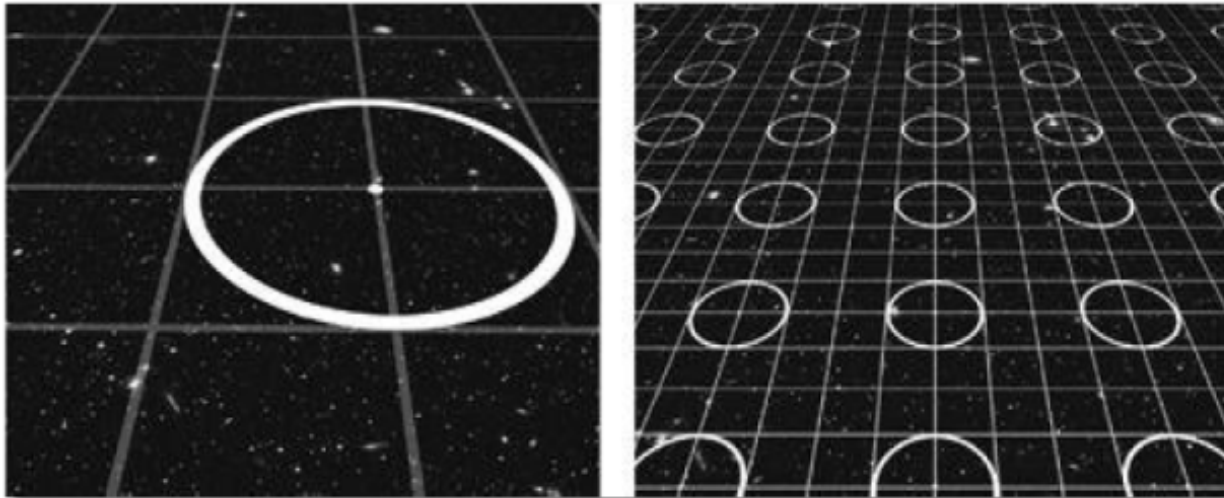
Constant Constants?

- Could the physical constants be changing?



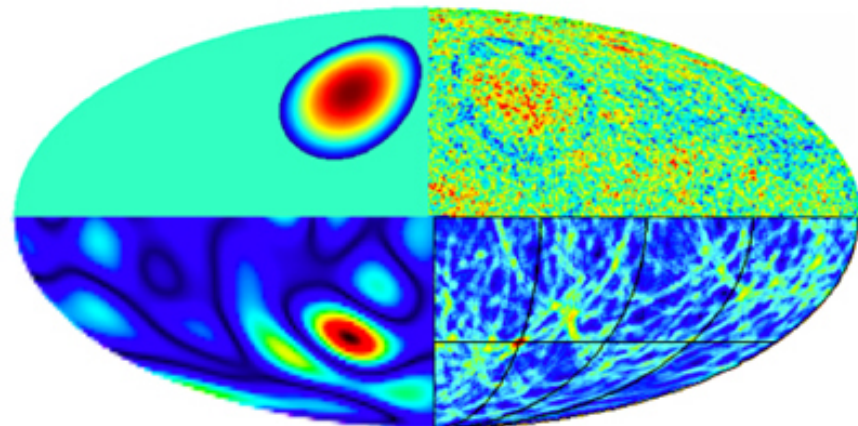
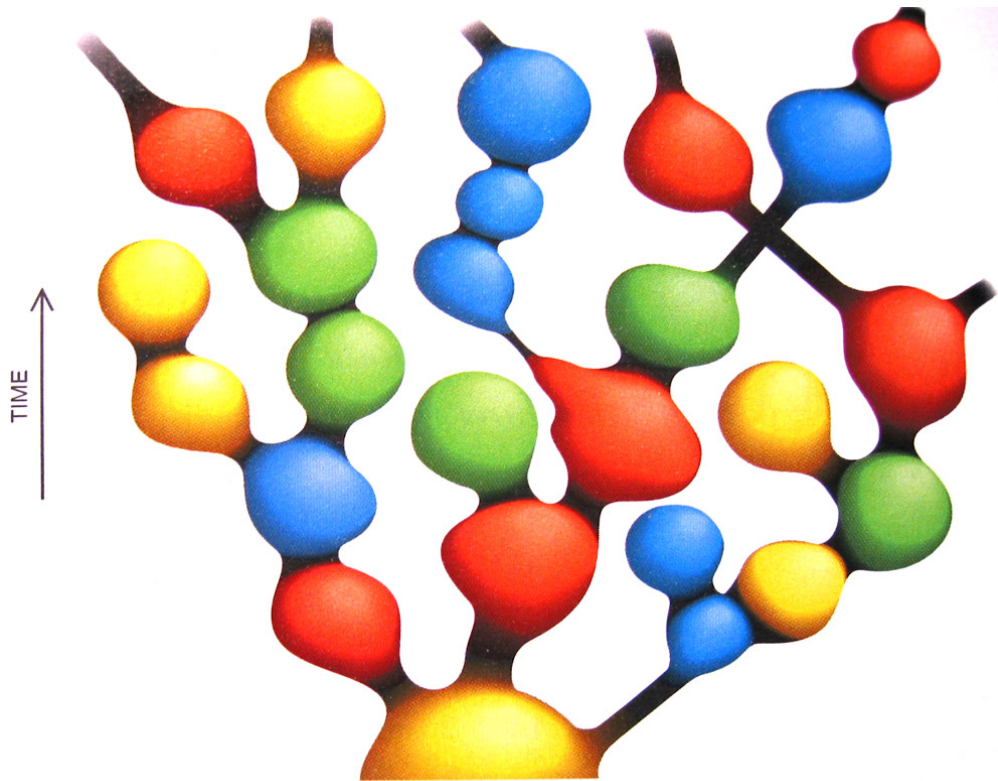
Other Universes; Multiverse?

- Cosmological Principle requires no end to universe but could it be finite but unbounded?
Quilted?
- Is this Science? Falsifiable? Predictions?



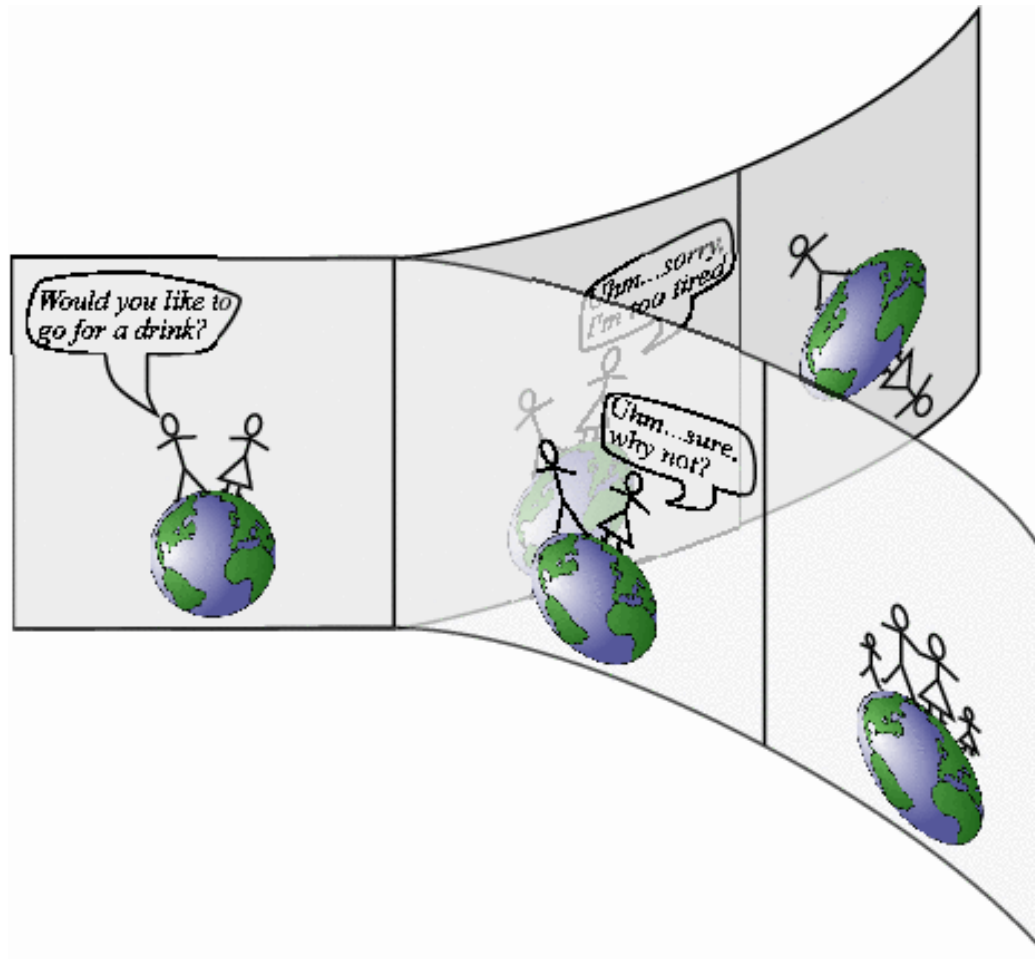
Many Inflations?

- Could our Universe just be one of many?
- Could they touch each other?



SELF-REPRODUCING COSMOS appears as an extended branching of inflationary bubbles. Changes in color represent “mutations” in the laws of physics from parent universes. The properties of space in each bubble do not depend on the time when the bubble formed. In this sense, the universe as a whole may be stationary, even though the interior of each bubble is described by the big bang theory.

Multiverse – Quantum Physics



Levels of Multiverse

- Why not different physics equations and different numbers of dimensions??

Level 1: Regions beyond our cosmic horizon

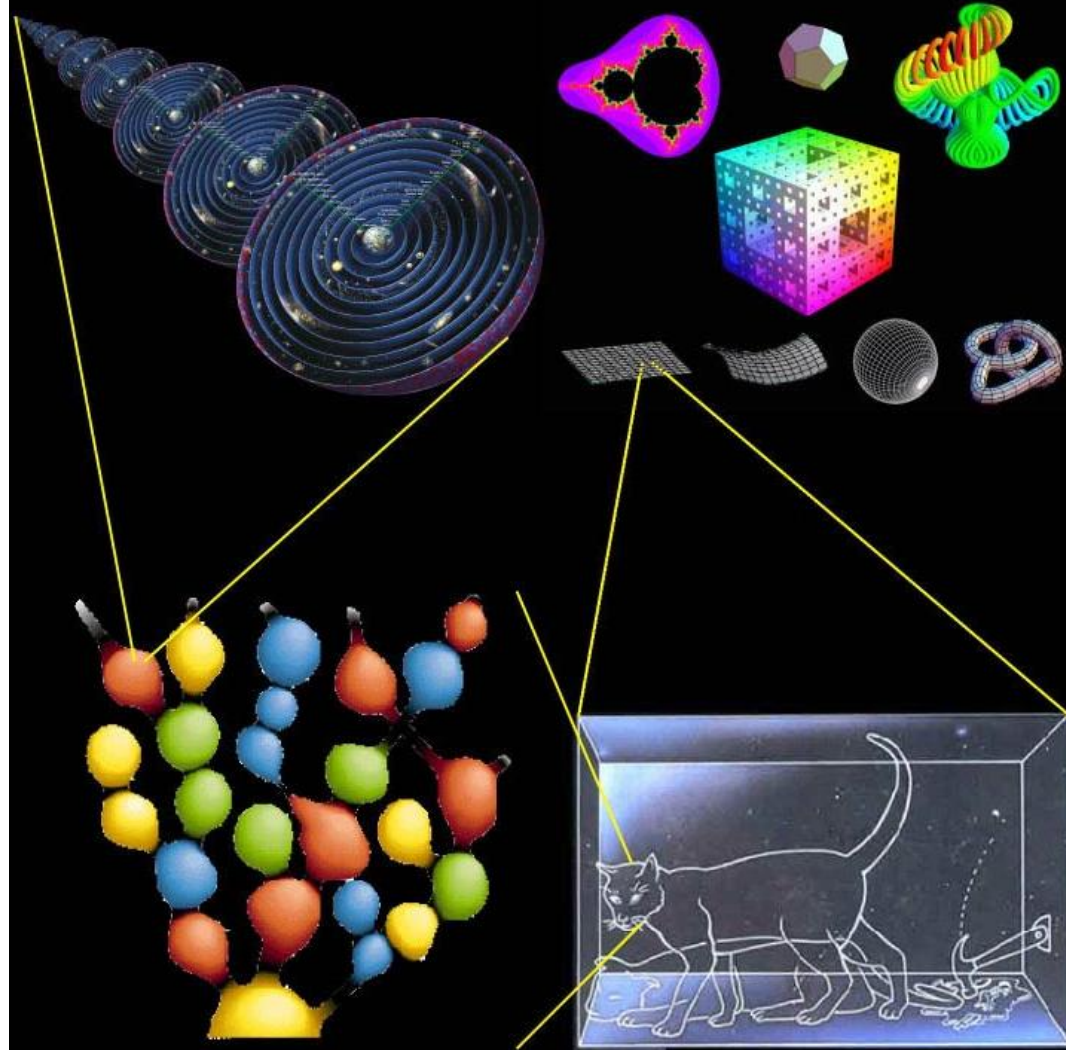
Features: Same laws of physics, different initial conditions
Assumption: Infinite space, ergodic matter distribution
Evidence:

- Microwave background measurements point to flat, infinite space, large-scale smoothness
- Simplest model

Level 4: Other mathematical structures

Features: Different fundamental equations of physics
Assumption: Mathematical existence = physical existence
Evidence:

- Unreasonable effectiveness of math in physics
- Answers Wheeler/Hawking question: "why these equations, not others"



Level 2: Other post-inflation bubbles

Features: Same fundamental equations of physics, but perhaps different constants, particles and dimensionality
Assumption: Chaotic inflation occurred
Evidence:

- Inflation theory explains flat space, scale-invariant fluctuations, solves horizon problem and monopole problems and can naturally explain such bubbles
- Explains fine-tuned parameters

Level 3: The Many Worlds of Quantum Physics

Features: Same as level 2
Assumption: Physics unitary
Evidence:

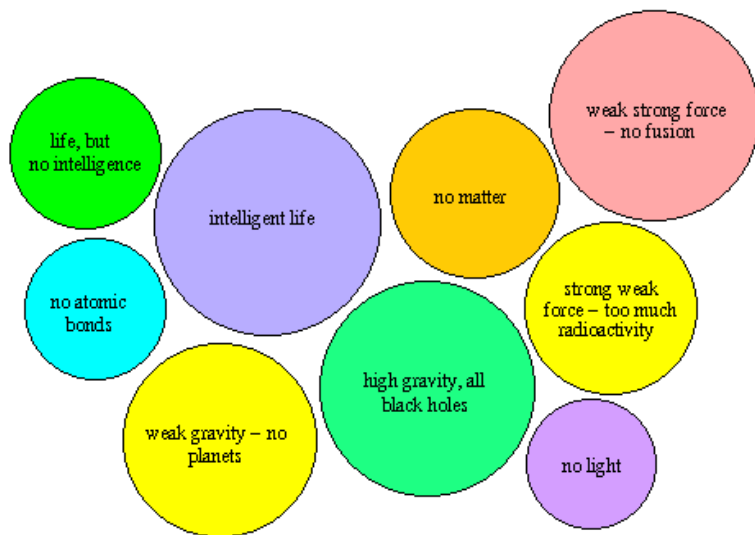
- Experimental support for unitary physics
- AdS/CFT correspondence suggests that even quantum gravity is unitary
- Decoherence experimentally verified
- Mathematically simplest model

Anthropic Principle

- “Observers will only observe conditions which allow for observers”
- A universe with physical laws which do not allow intelligent beings to exist will not be observed
- A dodge to not do the hard work of understanding the universe?

Anthropic Bubbles

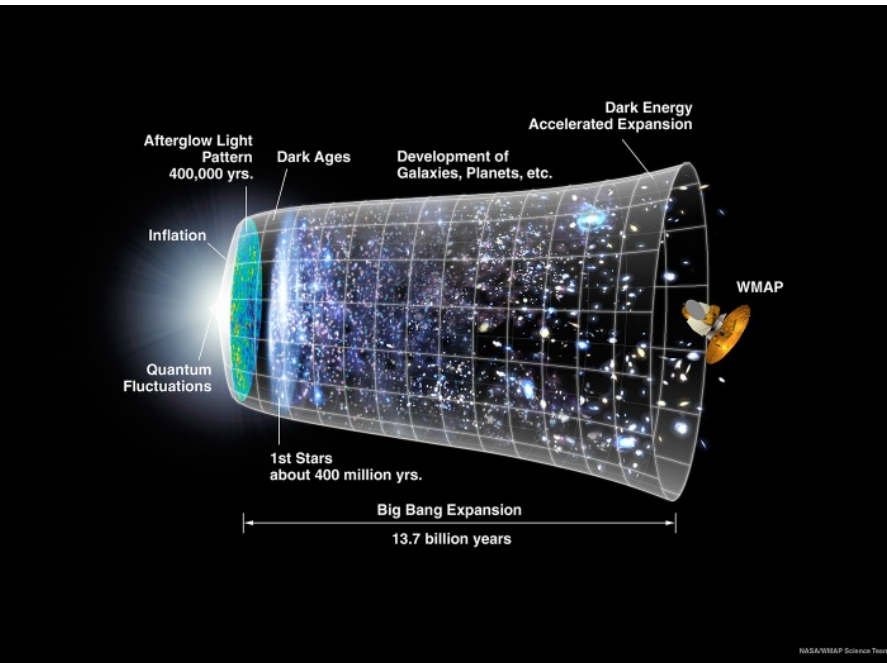
one possible solution to the anthropic dilemma is the numerous bubble universes produced by inflation. Each bubble universe may have its own physical constants, which determine the evolution within the bubble



the evolution of intelligent life is extremely sensitive to the initial conditions, but since number of bubble universes is also large, the possibility is finite and our existence is not a big mystery



And What is the Fate of the Universe?



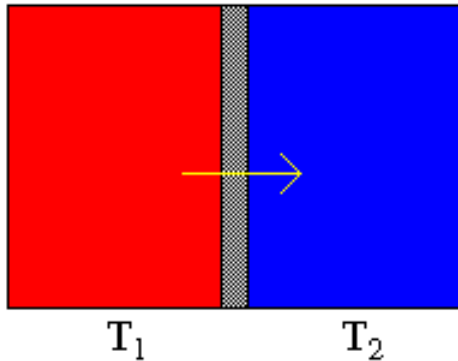
- a) Expand forever with stars galaxies etc
- b) Contract into big crunch
- c) Expand forever composed of photons slowly cooling
- d) Explode in new period of inflation
- e) Expand forever with everything collected into black holes

Heat Death

Heat Flow

energy flows from high temperature regions to low temperature regions

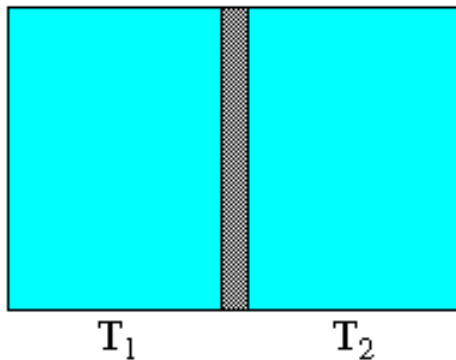
Order



$$T_1 > T_2$$

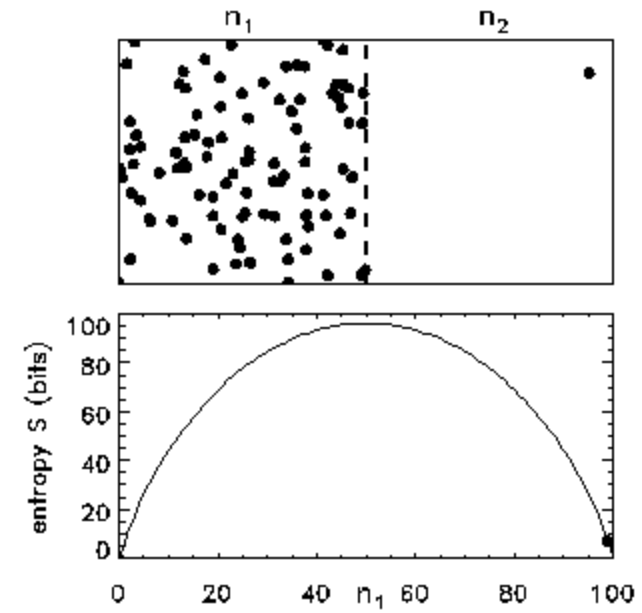
- “Some say the world will end in fire, others say in ice” Robert Frost

Disorder



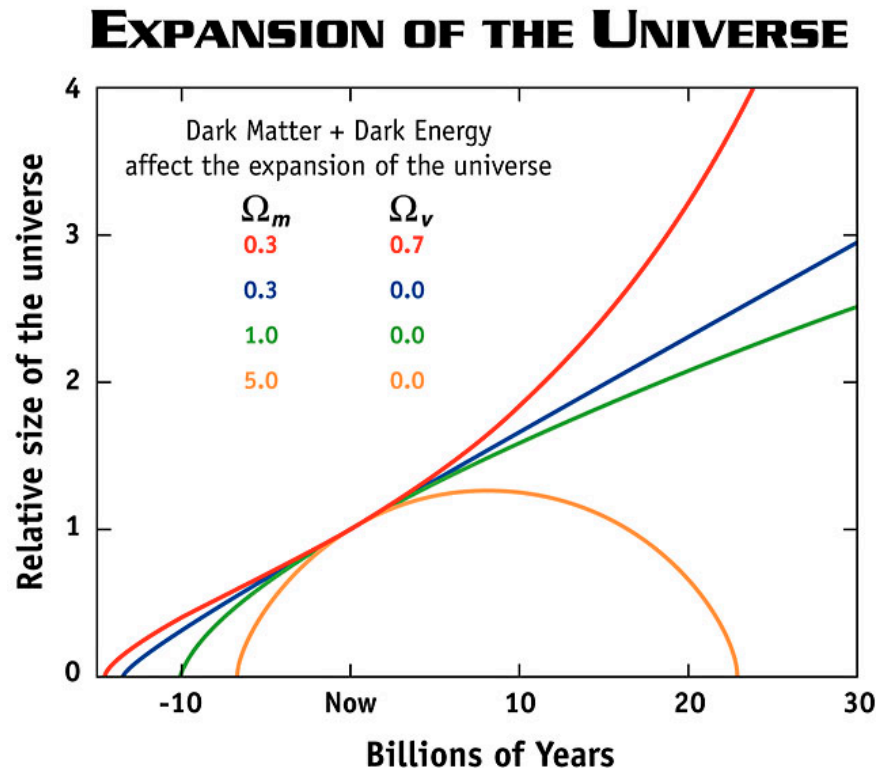
$$T_1 = T_2$$

heat flow is the process that converts a low entropy region into a maximal entropy region

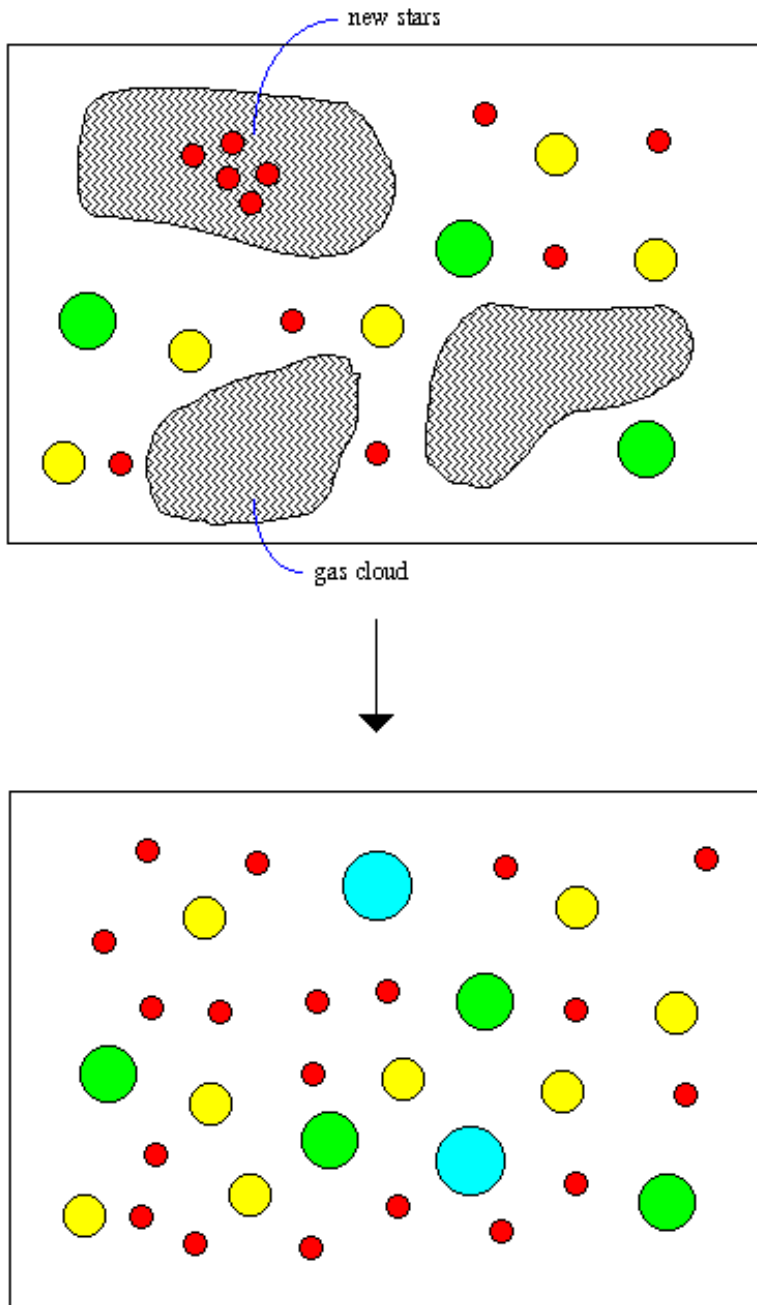


Dark Energy/Cosmological Constant

- Dark Energy = Cosmological Constant then its a property of space; so more space more expansion
- Due to Dark Energy universe expands faster & faster
- Eventually we lose sight of the distant galaxies

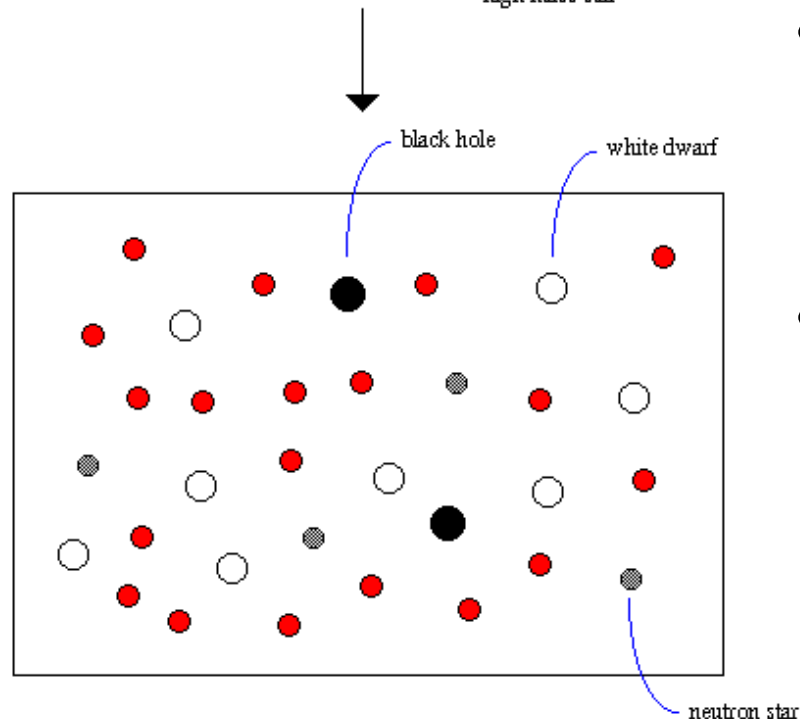
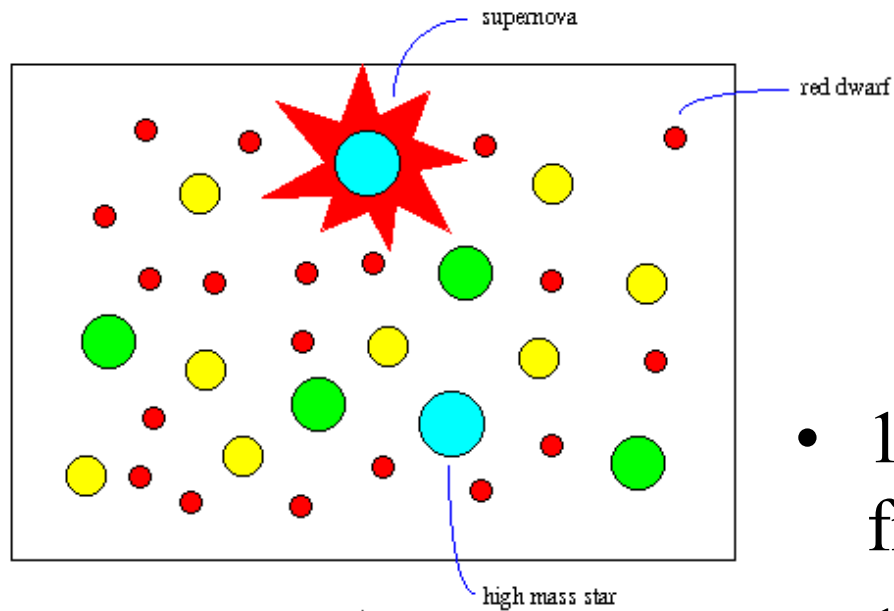


Star Era



- Stars begin forming 200 million years after Big Bang
- ~1 billion years galaxies form
- 10 Billion = 10^{10} years is now
- Sun => red giant: end of Earth
- At a trillion years gas is 20% hydrogen, 60% helium, 20% heavy elements
- Last stars burn out 10^{14} years = 100 trillion years
- Galaxies beyond local group redshifted to be invisible

Degenerate Era

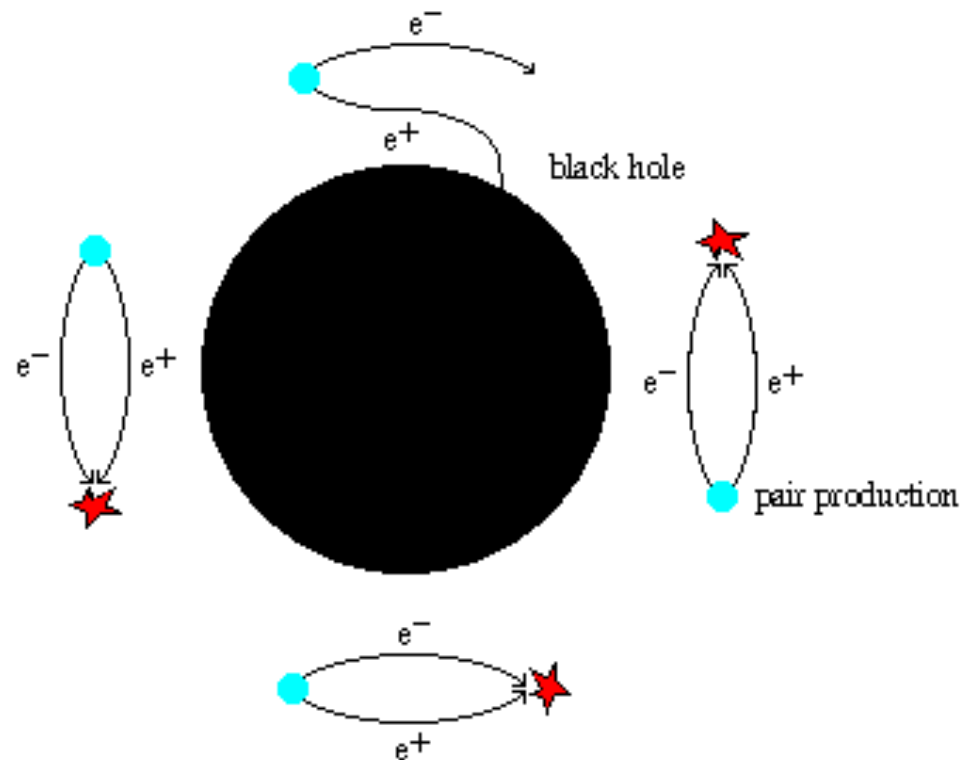


- 10^{16} years most planets detached from stars
- 10^{30} years Black Holes, absorb most white dwarfs & neutron stars, growing bigger and bigger
- 10^{37} years?? Proton decay?? destroys anything that got away

Hawking Radiation

Hawking Radiation

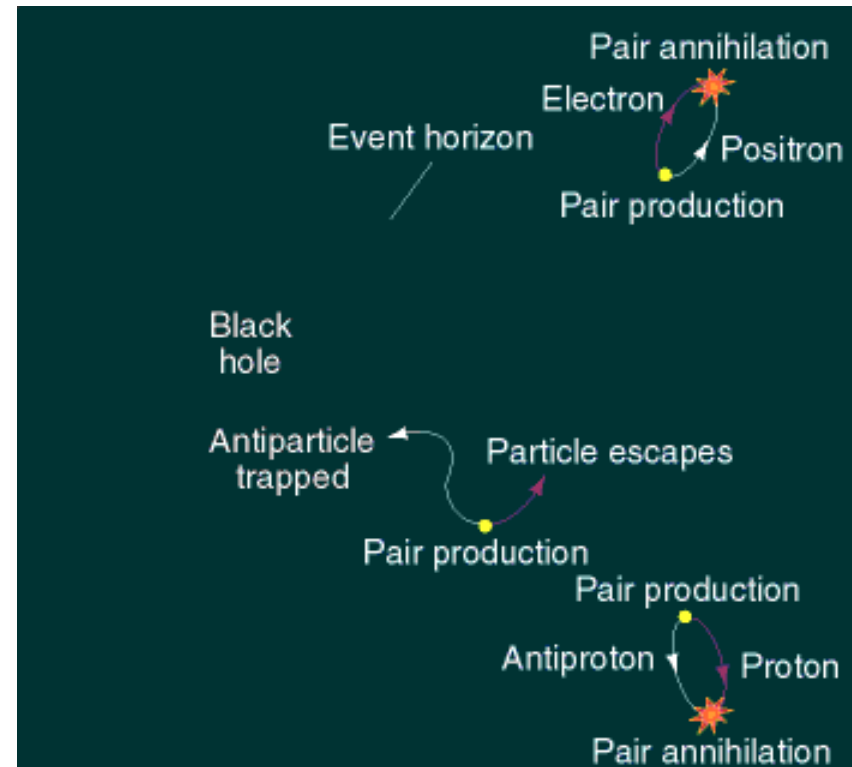
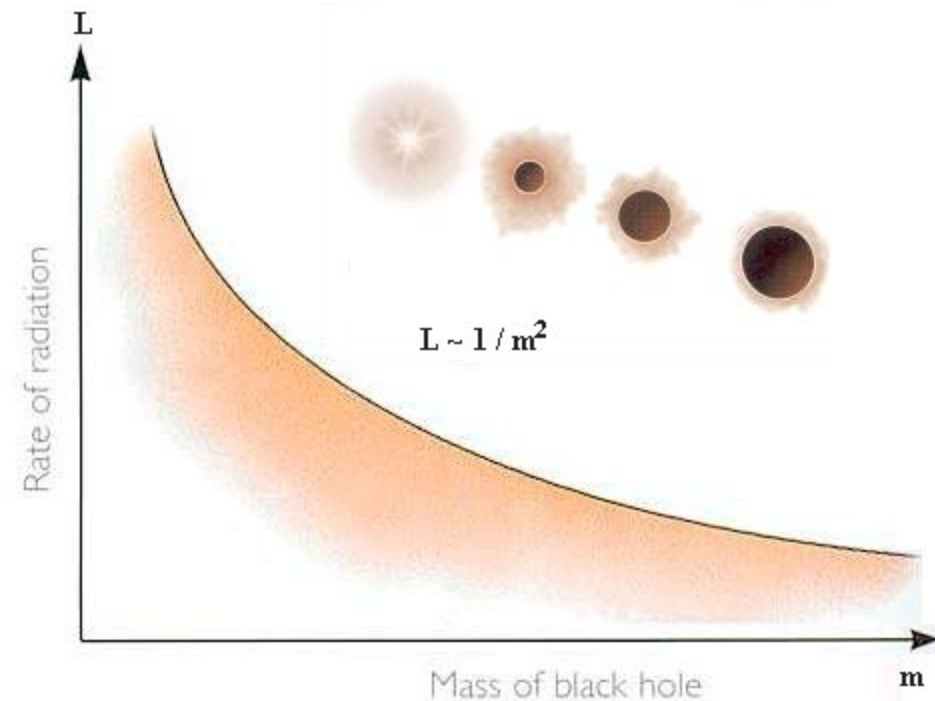
the strong gravitational field around a black hole causes pair production

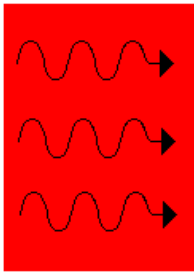


if a pair is produced outside the event horizon, then one member will fall back into the black hole, but the other member will escape and the black hole loses mass

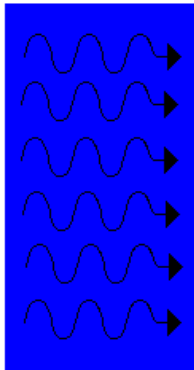
Black Hole Evaporation

- Black Holes seem to radiate energy
- The smaller the hole the hotter it appears
- Black Holes made in Large Hadron Collider will evaporate faster than they grow
- A 1 Solar mass black hole will last $\sim 10^{70}$ years





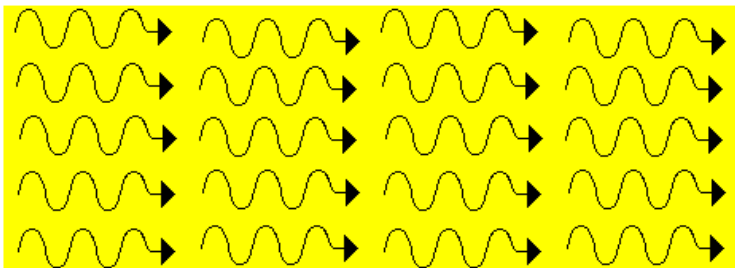
Black holes dissolve through Hawking radiation large ones slower than small ones, by emitting photons



As the black hole shrinks, losing mass in the form of energy, the amount of Hawking radiation increases



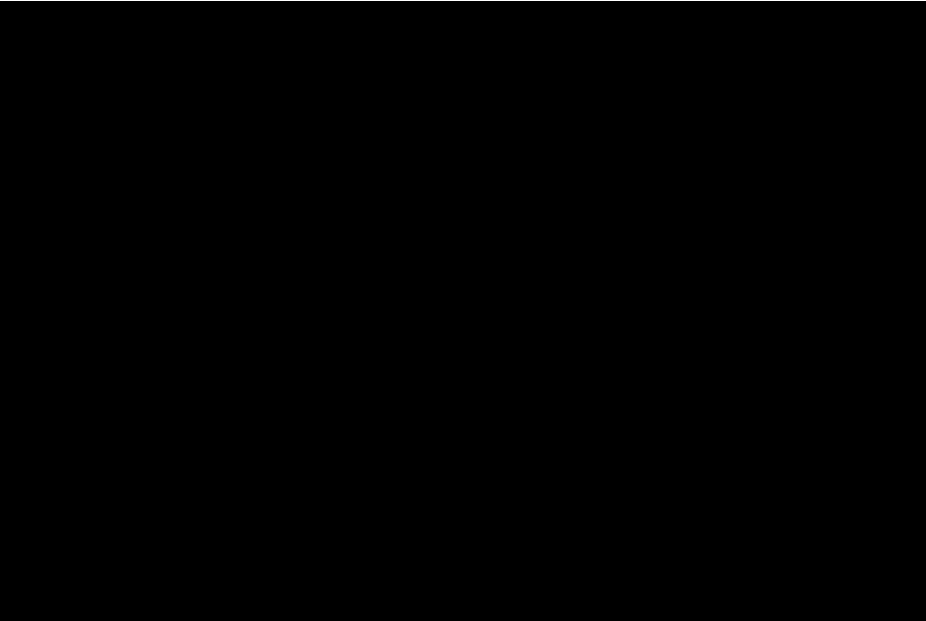
Eventually, all the mass is gone leaving a sea of photons



Black Hole Era

- 10^{65} years Stellar Mass black holes evaporate
- 10^{83} years Million solar mass black holes evaporate
- 10^{100} years largest black holes evaporate
- Heat death – everywhere is the same temperature

The Big Rip?



- If cosmological constant / Dark Energy is too large
- 0 Big Bang
- 3 min Helium forms
- 380,000 yr atoms form
- 200×10^6 yr stars form
- +15Gyr today
- +20Gyr Sun becomes WD
- +49Gyr = -1Gyr destroy Galaxy Clusters
- -60Myr destroy Galaxy
- -3months solar system
- -30min Earth explodes
- -10^{-19} sec atoms dissociate
- +35 Billion years Big Rip

Why is there Something Rather than Nothing?

- "the darkest question in all philosophy." (William James)
- This problem "can tear the individual's mind asunder." (A. B. Lovell)
- Each of us is "grazed by [this question's] hidden power." (Martin Heidegger)
- "What is it that breathes fire into the equations and makes a universe for them to describe? Why does the universe go to all the bother of existing?" (Stephen Hawking)

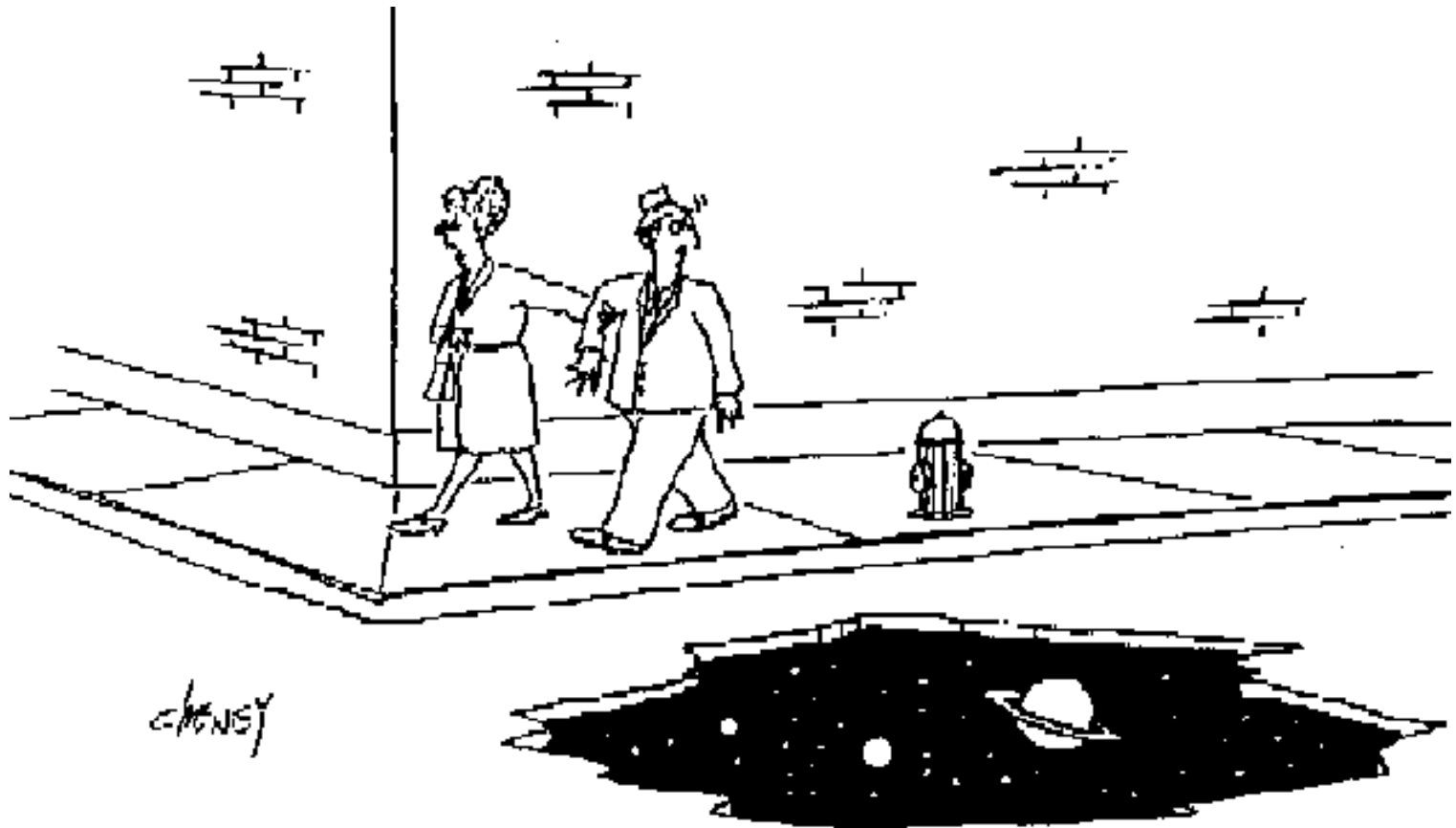
Where did it all come from?

COSMOLOGY MARCHES ON



13.8 BILLION YEARS AGO,
A FEW SECONDS BEFORE THE
CREATION OF OUR UNIVERSE...





- Oh, for goodness sakes Norman! You act like you have never seen a hole in the space-time continuum before.

WHAT GRAVITY DOES TO ENTROPY

What qualifies as low entropy or high entropy depends on the situation. Physicists identify the high-entropy state of a system based on how the system evolves over time. For example, if a diffuse and sufficiently cool

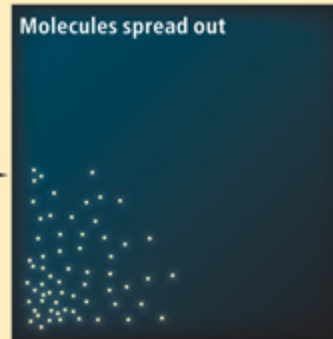
gas feels the tug of gravity, it evolves to a clump. The law of entropy increase then implies that the clump has a high entropy, even though at first glance it might appear to be orderly (low entropy).

LOW ENTROPY

HIGH ENTROPY

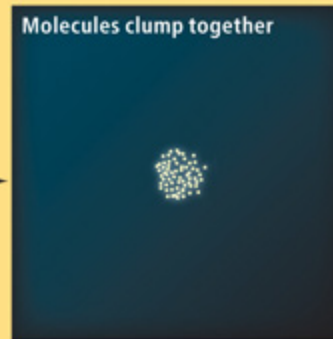
- Gravity shut off
- Volume fixed

When gravity is negligible, a gas in a box has low entropy if it sits neatly in one corner and high entropy if it sprawls out. Thus, sprawl it does.



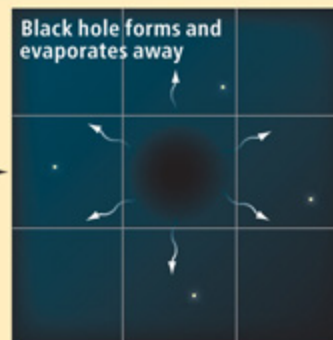
- Gravity turned on
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Where gravity is significant, the opposite is true: the gas maxes out its entropy by collapsing to a black hole. Thus, a gravitating gas tends to clump rather than spread. The hole can survive forever in equilibrium with its surroundings.



- Gravity turned on
- Volume expanding

If the box is growing in size, the gas initially clumps and forms a black hole, but then the hole evaporates away. The gas it leaves behind continues to increase in entropy forever by spreading into an ever thinner gruel.



Planck Length 10^{-35} m; Time 10^{-43} sec

- Particles have a wavelength due to quantum mechanics $E=hc/\lambda=mc^2$
- A very tiny black hole will have an event horizon equal
- To its wavelength at distance of 10^{-35} meters = Planck Length
- At that size singularity would not stay inside event horizon
- Need to have Quantum + General Relativity = **Theory of Everything**

