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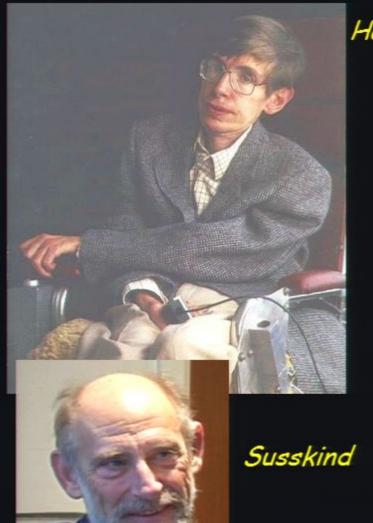
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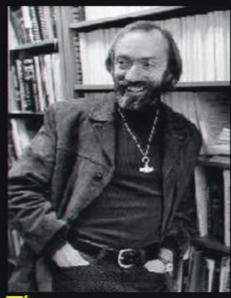


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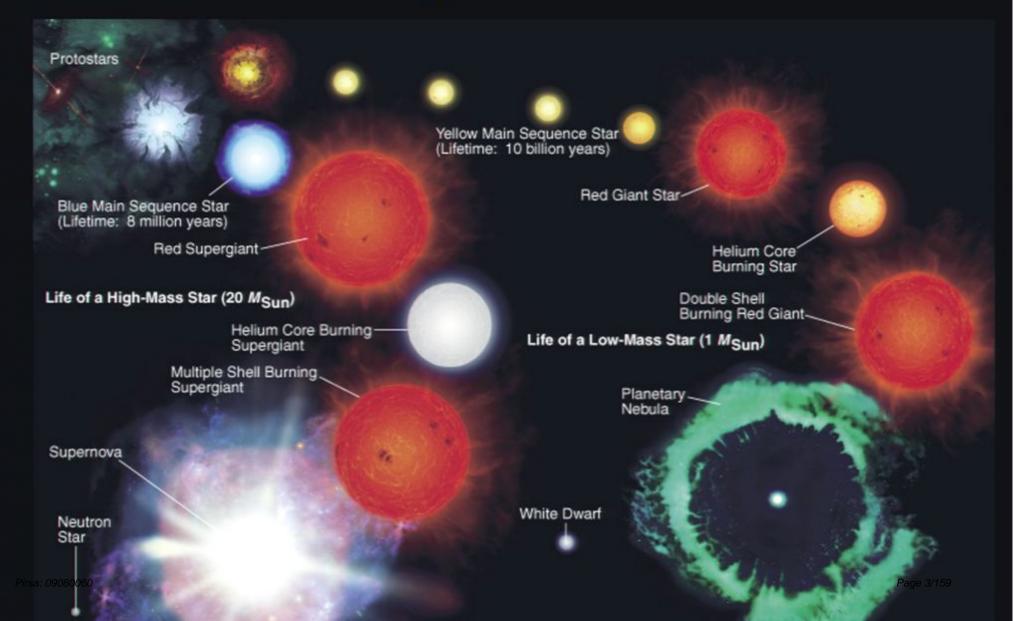
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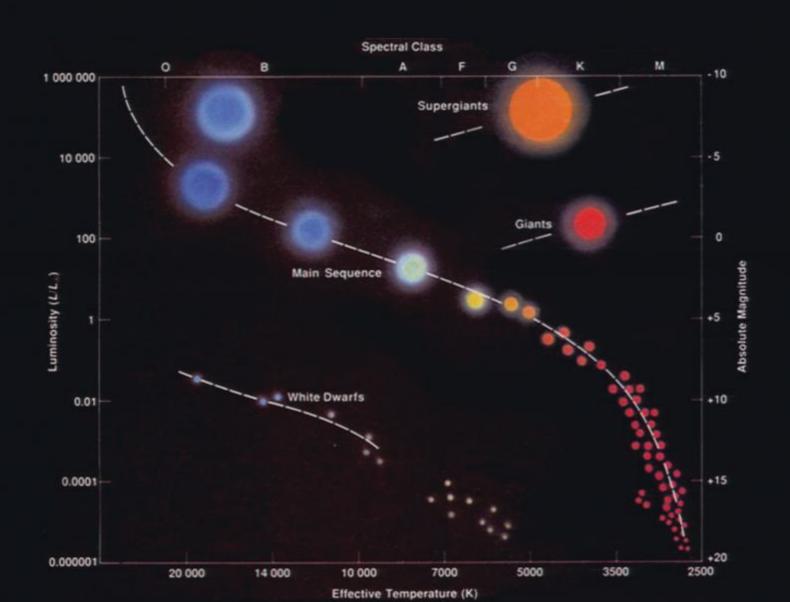


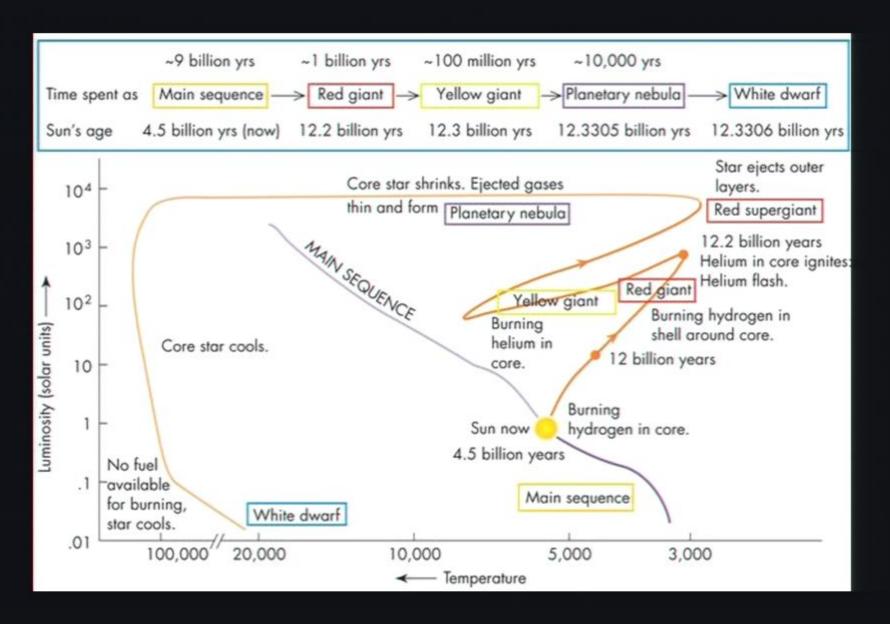
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Life Cycle of Stars

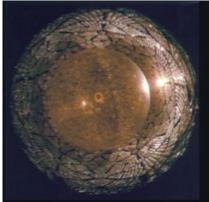


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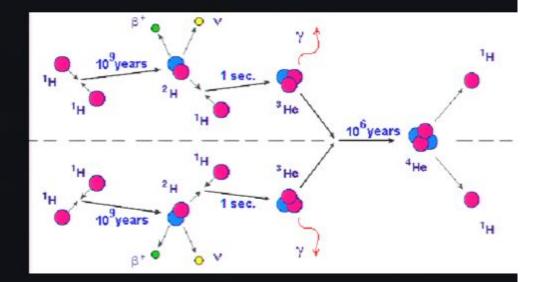
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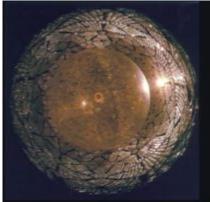
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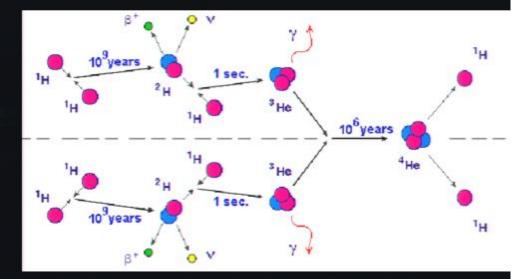
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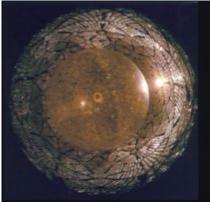
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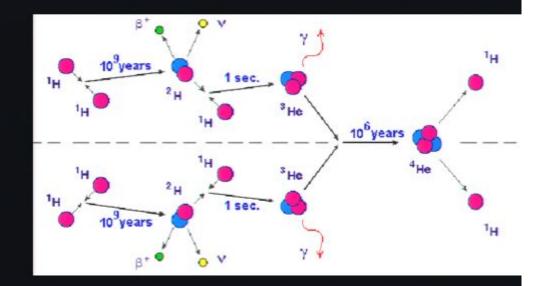
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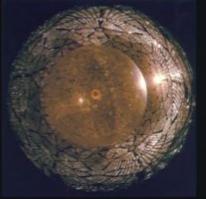
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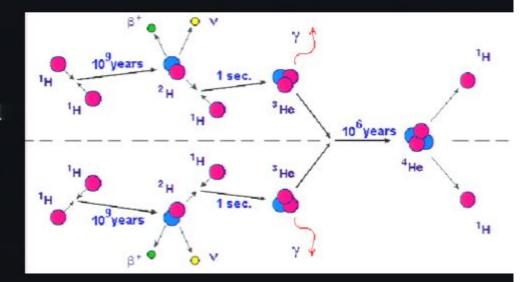
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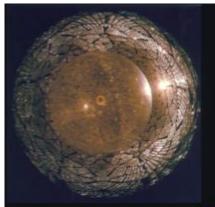
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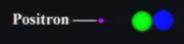


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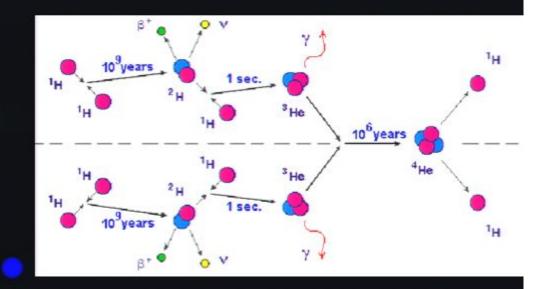
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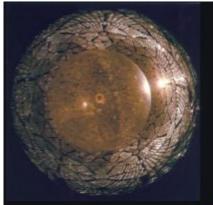
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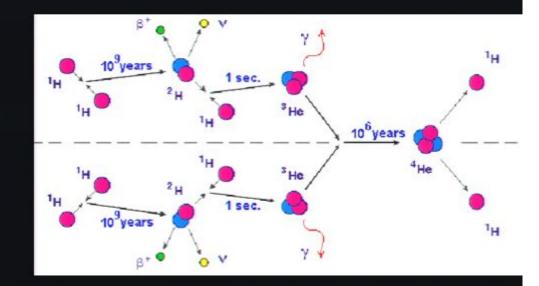
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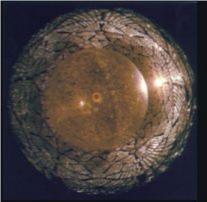
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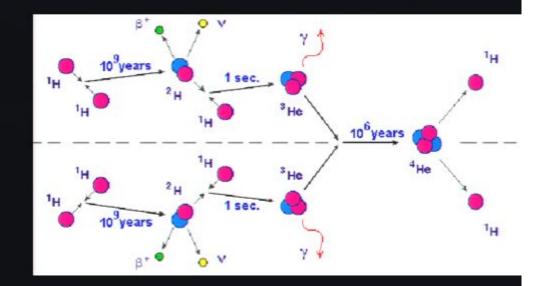
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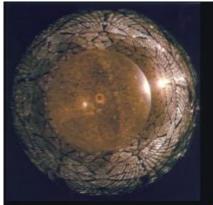
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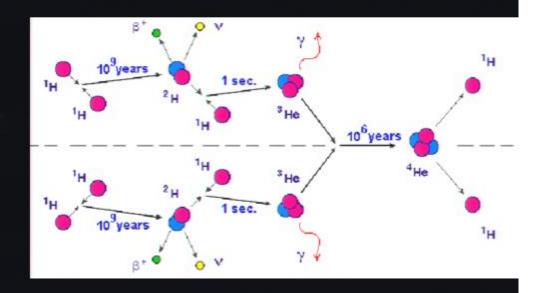
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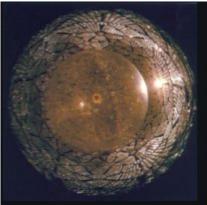
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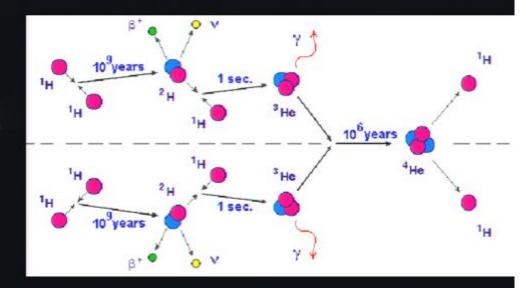
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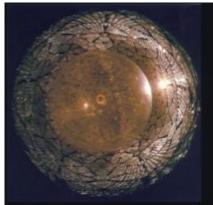
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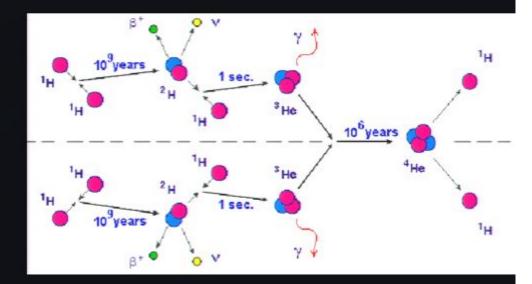
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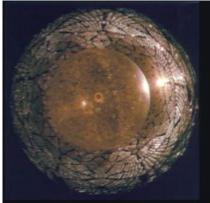
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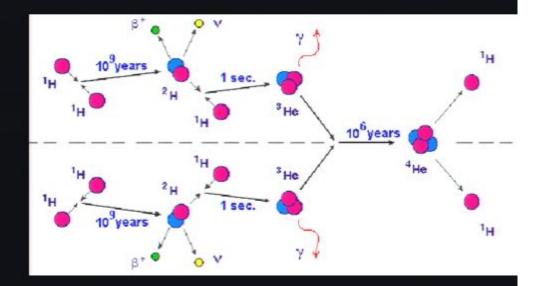
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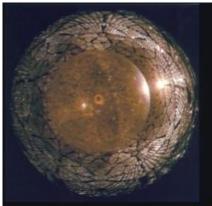
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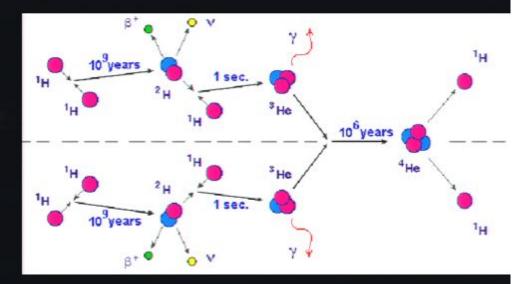
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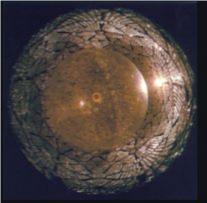
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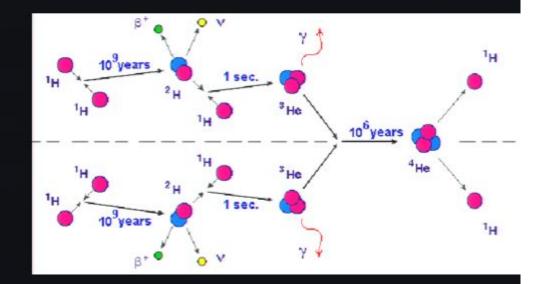
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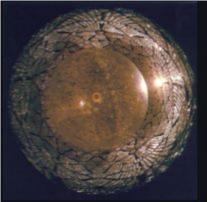
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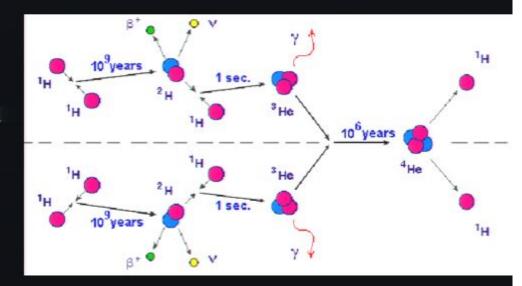
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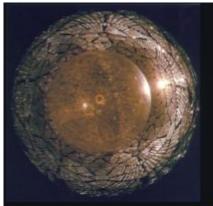
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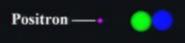


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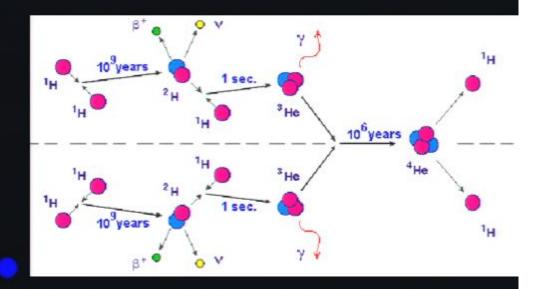
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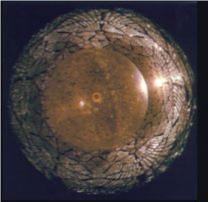
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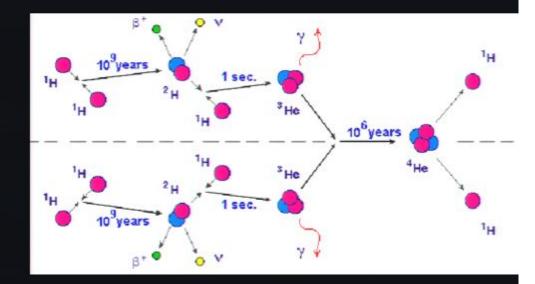
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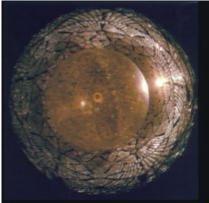
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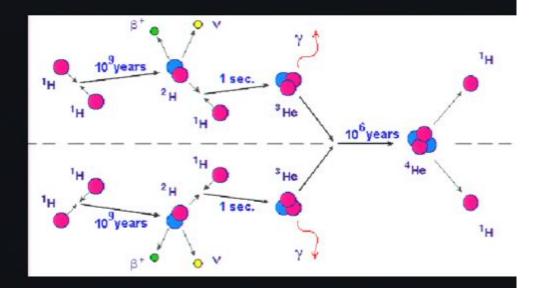
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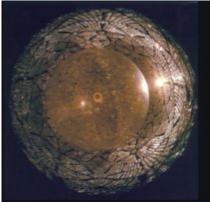
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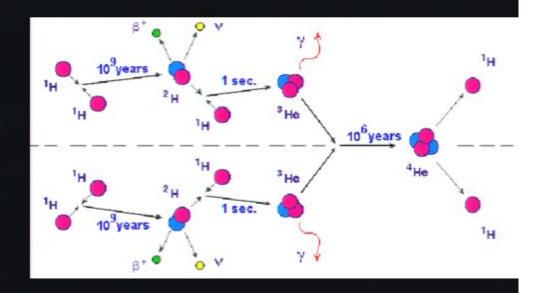
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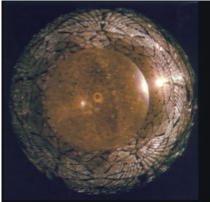
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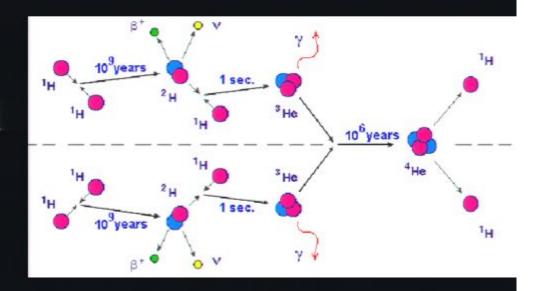
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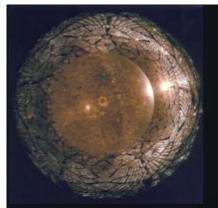
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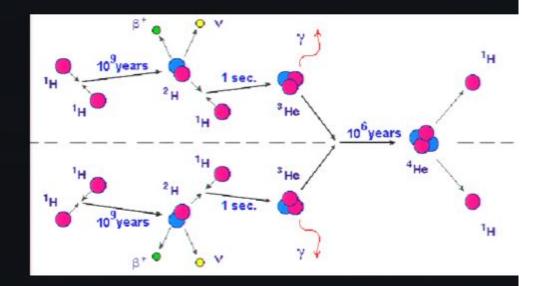
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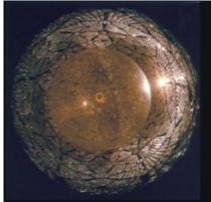
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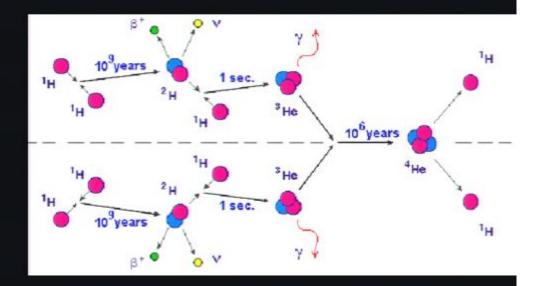
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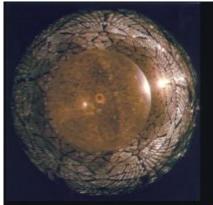
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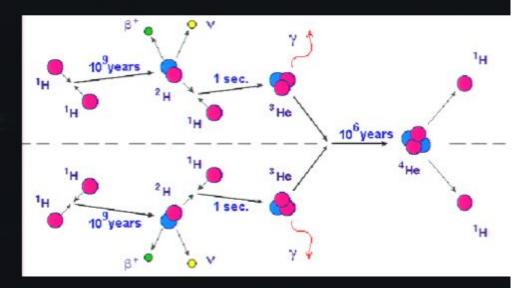
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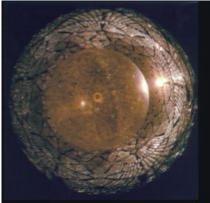
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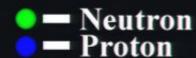




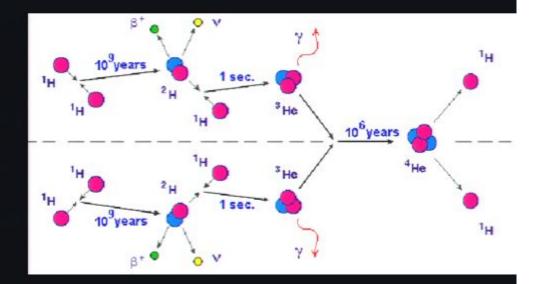
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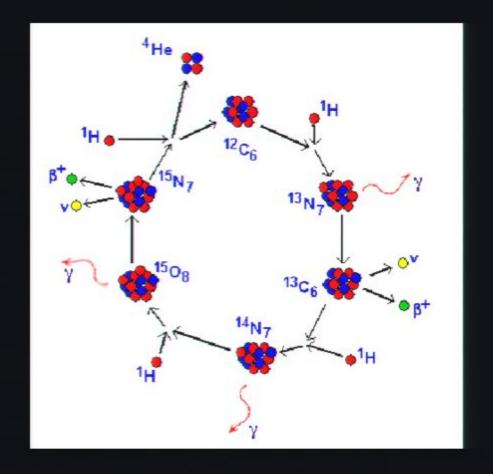
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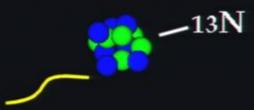
- The higher the temperature, the more important the production of energy from the CNO.
- For stars less than 1 solar mass proton-proton cycle dominates.

Gamma Ray Released





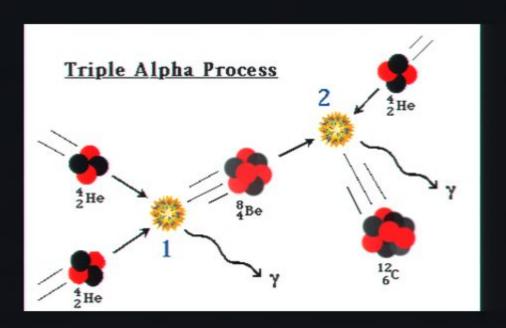




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Beyond Helium

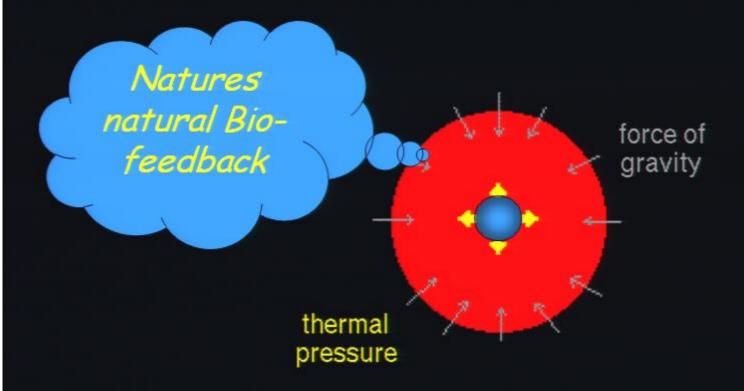
As Hydrogen is exhausted in the core of the star, Helium nuclei merge to create Beryllium with again fuses with another Helium nucleus to give Carbon and then to Oxygen then to Silicon until we finally end up with Iron.



The Death of Stars

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Pressure Balance in a Star

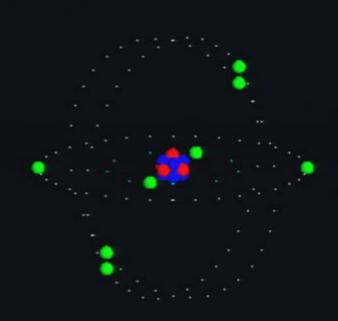


Thermal Pressure = Force of Gravity

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Model of an Atom





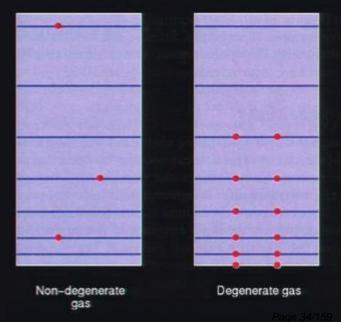
... an atom consists of mostly empty space ...

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Electron Degeneracy Pressure

$$Radius = N_e^{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{h^2}{8Gm_e m_p M}$$

- Pauli Exclusion Principle:
 No two electrons (fermions) can occupy the same position in space at the same time doing the same thing.
- Electrons are packed side by side in a white dwarf
- This prevents it from collapsing any further



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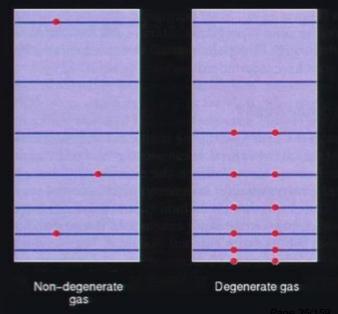
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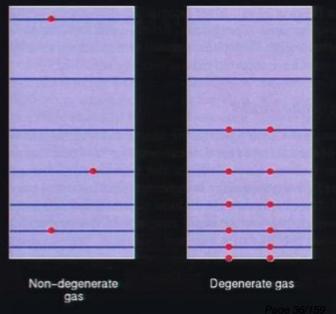
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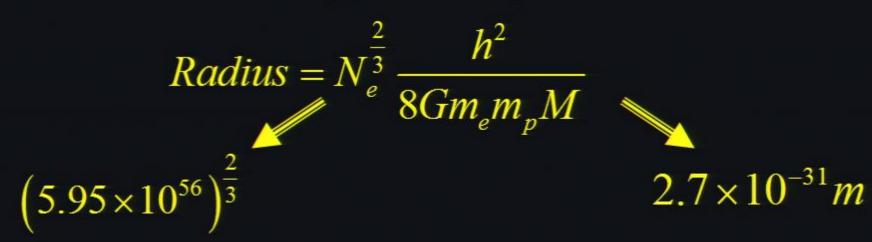
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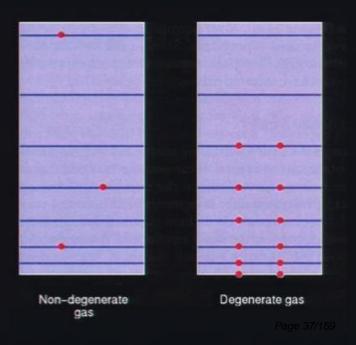




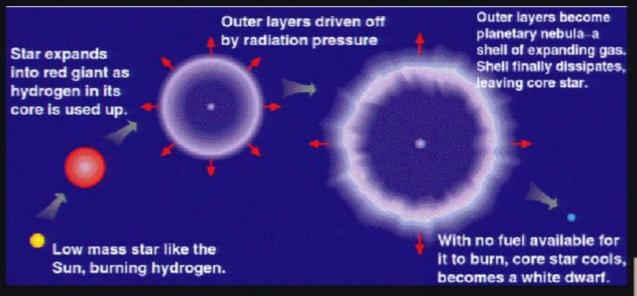
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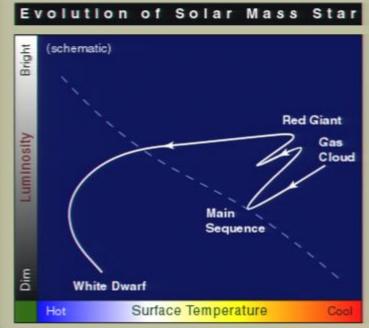


 $\approx 10^7 m$



Path to being a White Dwarf





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White Dwarf Properties

...have diameters about the same as the Earth's.



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Look in the Middle



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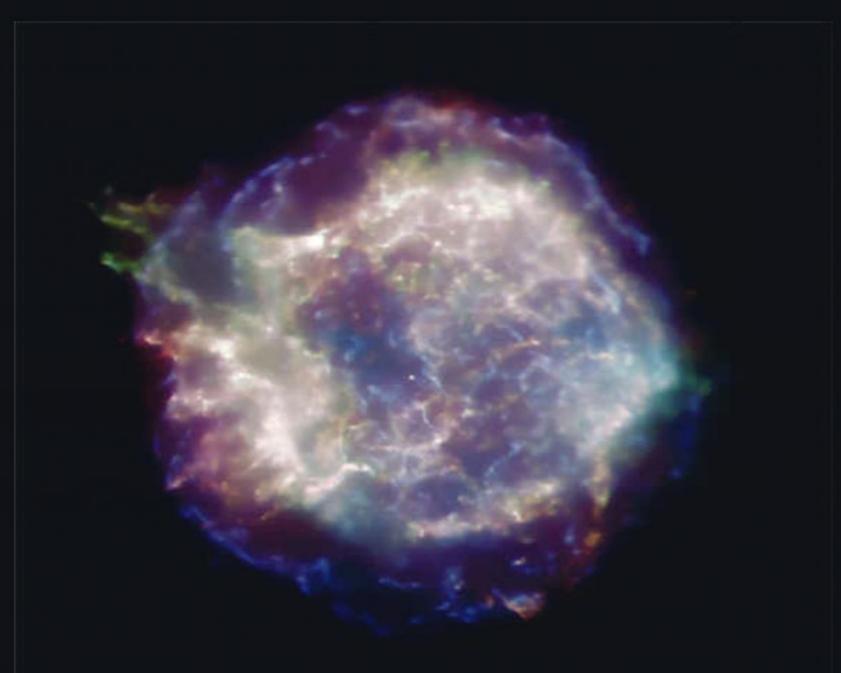
Cat's eye nebula



Spirograph Nebula



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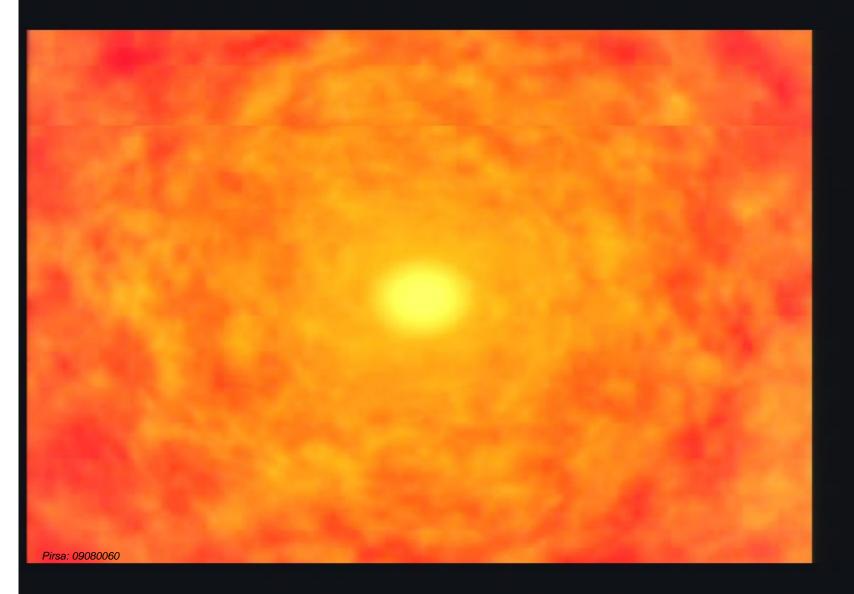
Can you feel the suspense?



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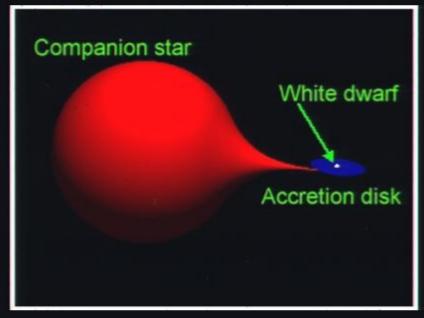


Not what you thought?



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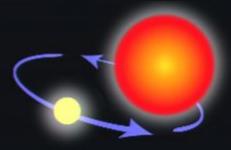
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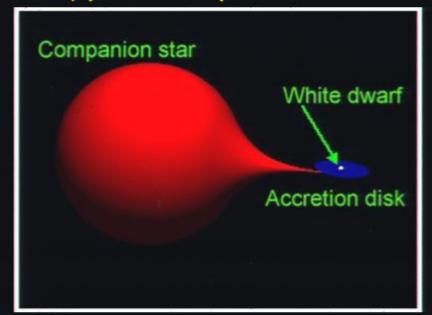
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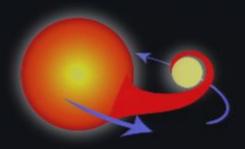
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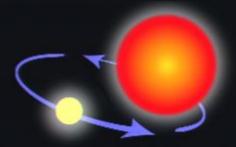
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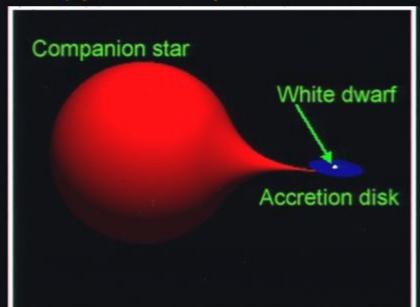
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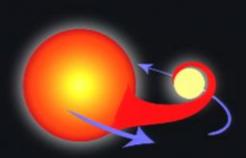
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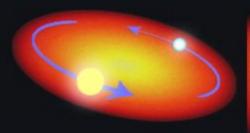
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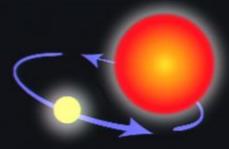
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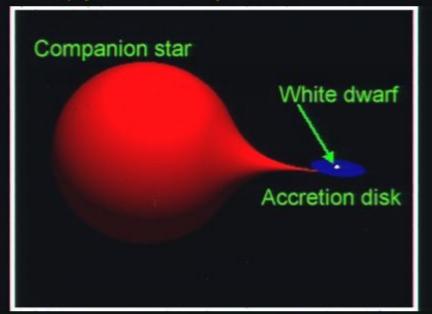


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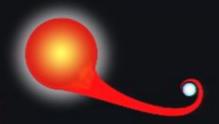


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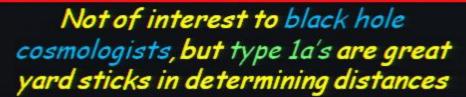
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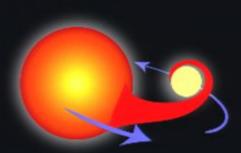


The white dwarf's mass increases until it reaches a critical mass and explodes...

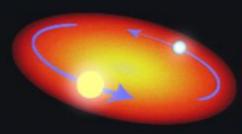


The aging companion star starts swelling, spilling gas onto the white dwarf.

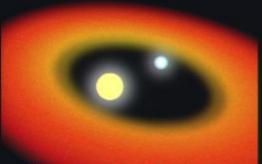




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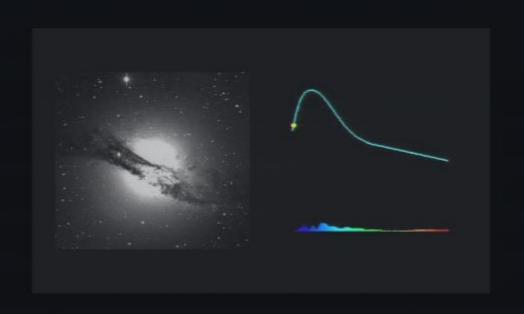
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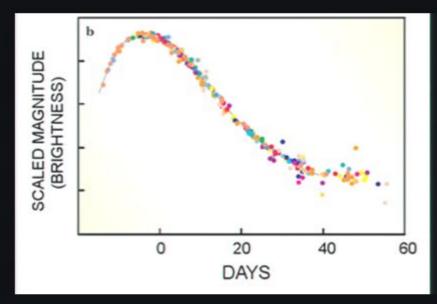
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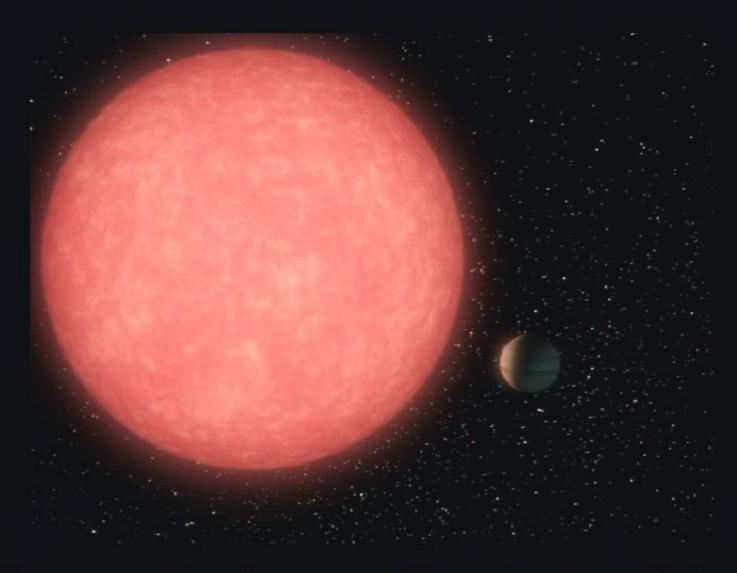




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Type II Supernovae: Birth of a Neutron Star



• The core survives and is prevented from collapsing any further by neutron degeneracy pressure

· These are the type of supernovae we are interested in

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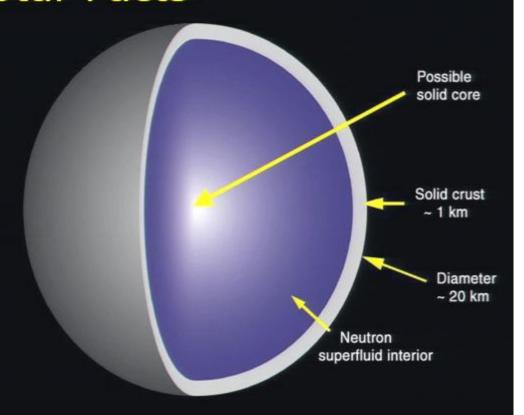
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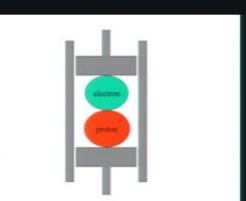
- In the death of a high-mass star (40 solar mass), the core is converted to neutrons and collapses catastrophically.
- The collapse and rebound creates a supernova.
- The electrons are 'merged' with the protons which produce neutrons.
- The central core is left behind as a small, dense, sphere of neutrons → a neutron star.
- Collapsing stops now because of Neutron Degeneracy Pressure.

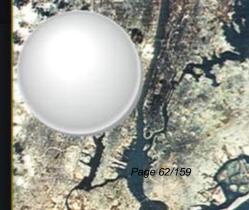
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Neutron Star Facts

- A giant ball of neutrons.
- Mass: at least 1.4 x mass of the Sun to maximum of about 3 solar masses.
- Temperature 1 million degrees and cooling.
- Diameter: 20 km!
- Density: 10¹⁸ kg/m³
 - A sugar cube of this matter weighs 400 billion tons
- Day: 1 0.001 seconds!
- Magnetic fields as strong as the Sun, but in the space of a city.
- But just a theory until 1968



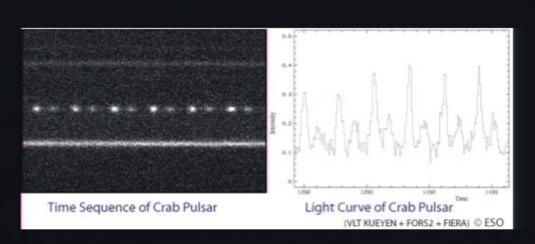


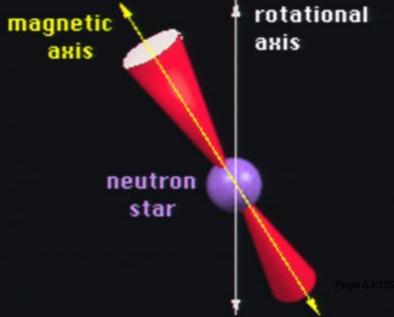


Pulsars

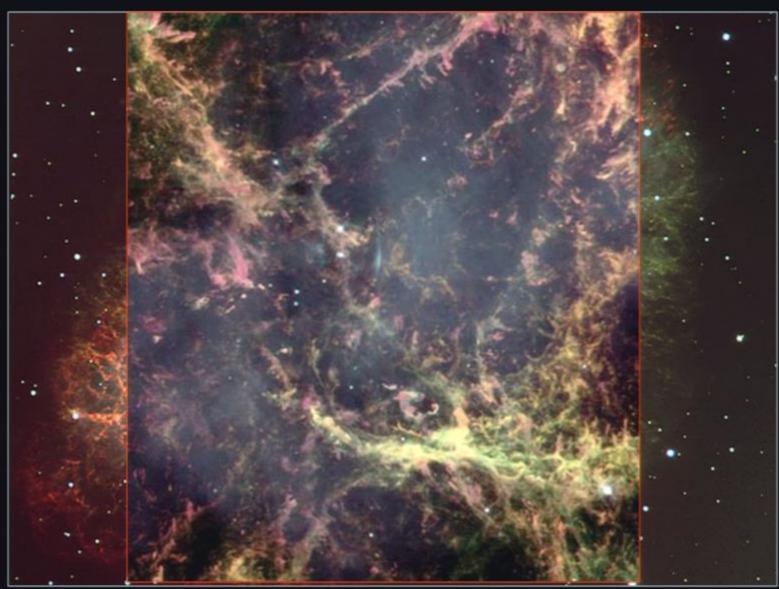
- Discovered by Bell and Hewish in 1968
- Stands for pulsating stars, since they emit regular pulses
- Now known to be spinning neutron stars

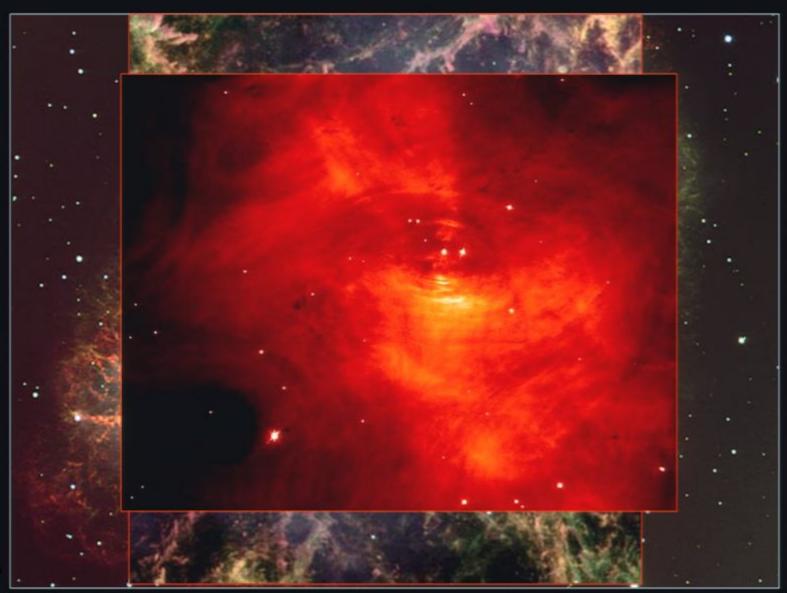


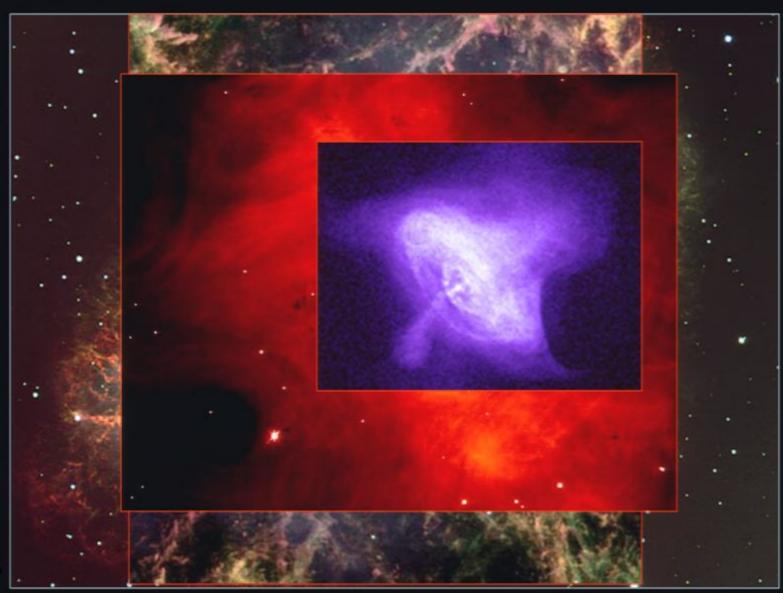












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What Next

- Neutron stars are held up by neutron degeneracy pressure.
 - Recall electron degeneracy pressure for white dwarfs.
 - For white dwarfs, maximum mass of 1.4 M_{sun}
- For neutron stars, maximum mass ~3M_{sun}
- What happens if a high-mass star is SO big that its central core is bigger than this?
- What happens when gravity is stronger than even neutron degeneracy pressure?
- How dense can something get?
- How strong can the force of gravity be?
- What if the escape velocity is <u>faster than light</u>?

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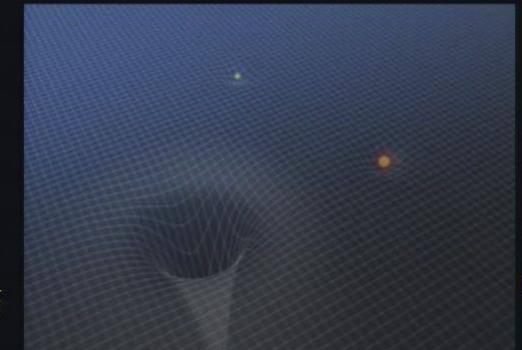
If we could eliminate the radiation and light, what would it be like to watch the collapsing of a star into a Black Hole? What would it be light to fall into a Black Hole?

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Watching a Star Collapse from a Safe Distance

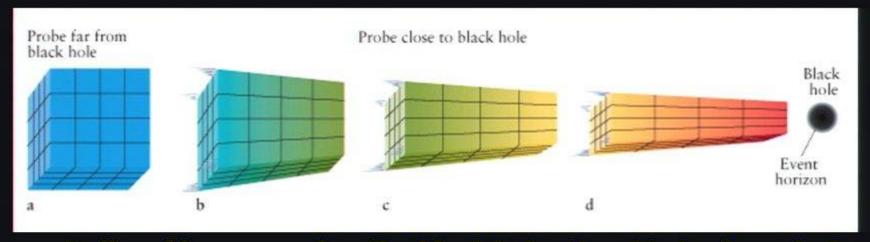
If you watched a star collapsing into a Black Hole, the light emitted from the star would be red-shifted and as a result would get dimmer by a factor of 2 every 20 microseconds per solar mass. At the same time the surface would appear to slow down and become frozen

This is not too Exciting... what about visiting the Black Hole?



$$t = 10^{-3} \left(\frac{M_{star}}{M_{\odot m}} \right)$$

Traveling into a Black Hole



- As the ship approaches the black hole, the ship is elongated by the variation in gravity
- The ship is also gravitationally red shifted at the end closer to the black hole
- From the outside, the ship will appear to hover forever at the edge of the hole to us - an effect of the time dilation, yet in the ship, the occupant do enter into the black hole. Never to be heard from again.

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Watching a clock fall into a black hole

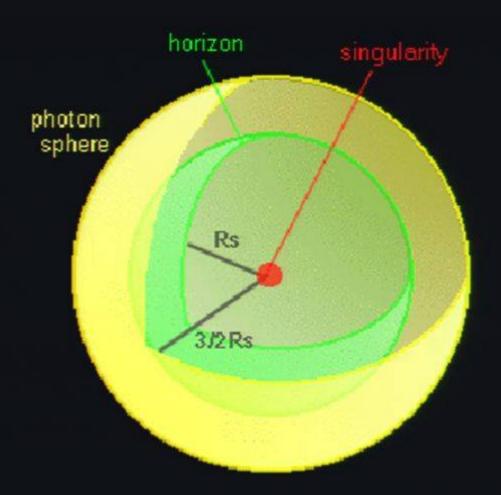


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To get a better understanding of what is happening, and more specifically where it is happening. Let's look at the anatomy of a Black Hole

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Structure of a Schwarzschild Black Hole



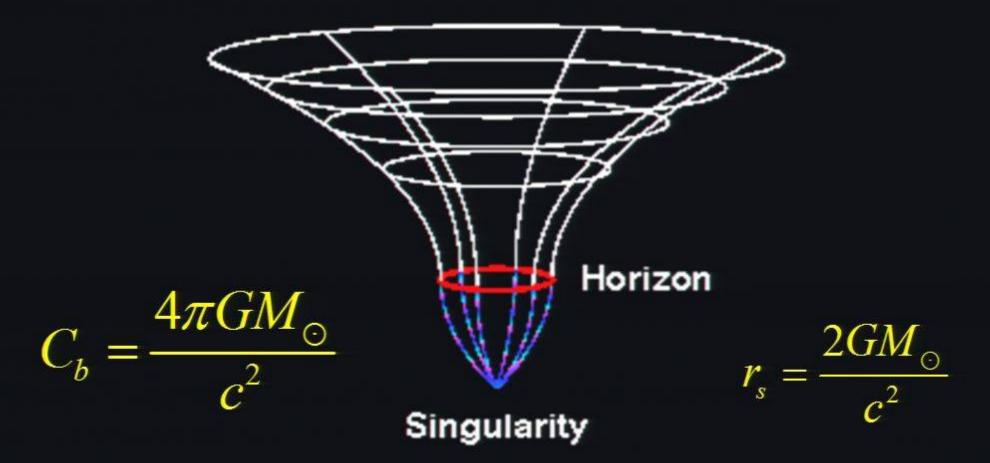
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Singularity

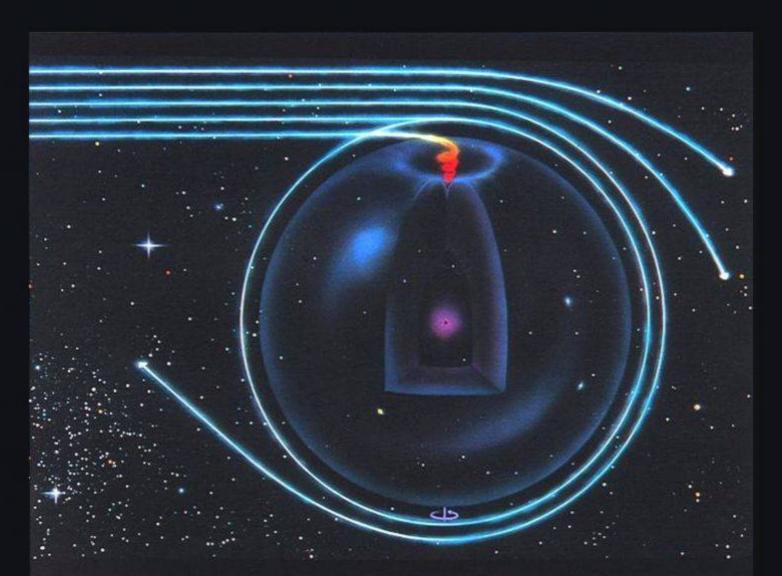
- · Within the singularity, matter is infinitely compressed into a region of infinite density. At the singularity, gravity is infinite. Space-time has become infinitely curved. At the present time, science has no tools to describe conditions within the singularity. All laws of physics lose meaning in such a region.
- At a singularity, space and time cease to exist as we know them. The laws of physics as we know them break down at a singularity, so it's not really possible to envision something with infinite density and zero volume.

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Embedding Structure



Photon orbits around a black hole



Time Dilation and Blueshift

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1024 days for the rest of
the universe.

$$\lambda_r = \lambda_e \sqrt{1 - \frac{C_b}{C}}$$

If you hovered at 1.00 000 8
times the event horizon
circumference, visible light (5.8 x
10⁻⁷ m) from the stars would
appear at wavelength ...

The Effects

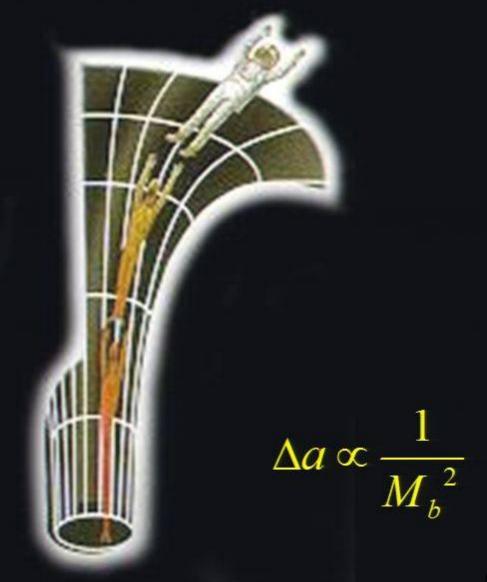
No matter how powerful your starship, once you enter the Event Horizon, you might as well enjoy the trip, because you are going in.



Visiting a Black Hole

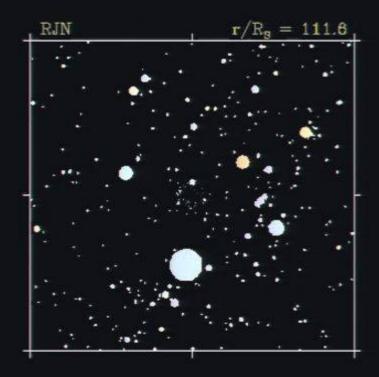
Spaghettification!

$$\Delta a = \frac{16\pi^3 GLM_b}{C^3}$$

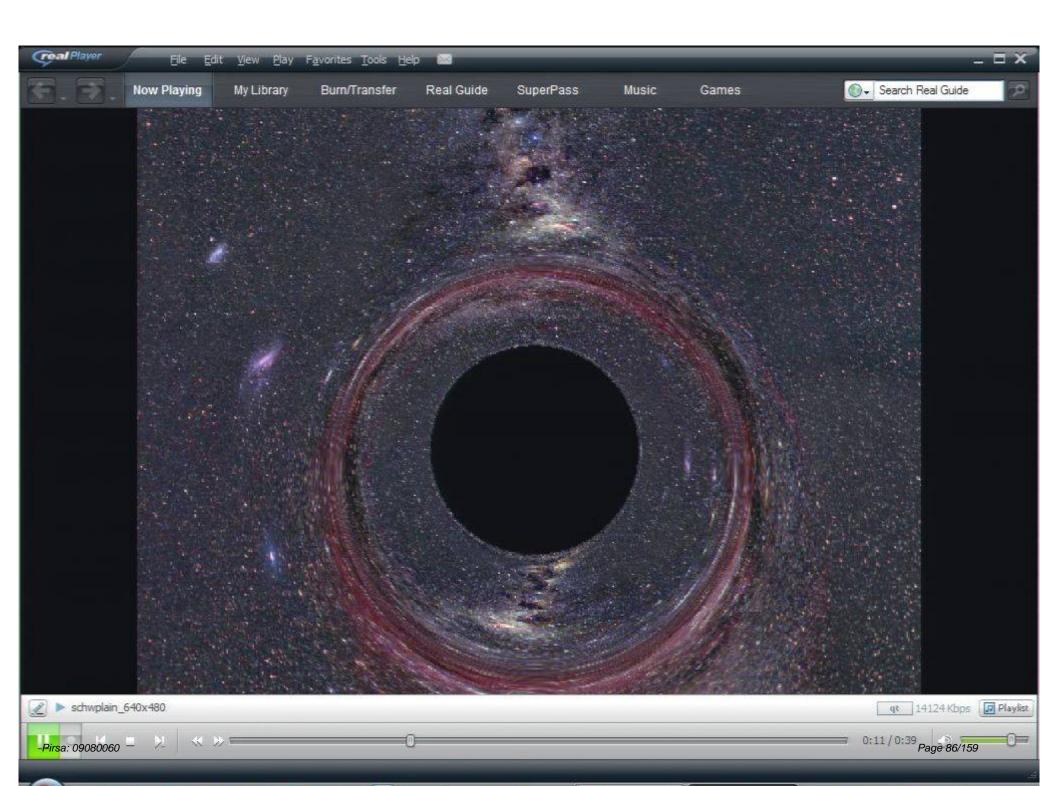


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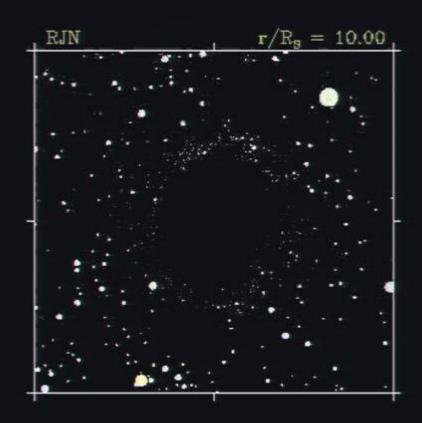
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Modern

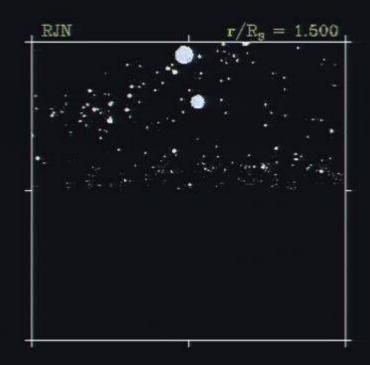


Orbiting Black Hole Looking Down



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Orbiting Looking Horizontally at Photon Sphere



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Looking Up



$$r = 12 \tan \left(\frac{5\pi}{6} \sqrt{1 - \frac{C_b}{C}} \right)$$

Forward

Sideways

Backwards

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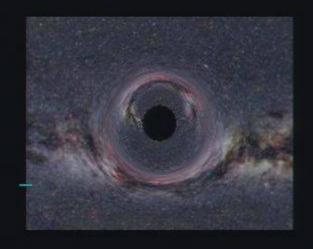
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Backwards







 $r = 20 \, rs$

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Backwards







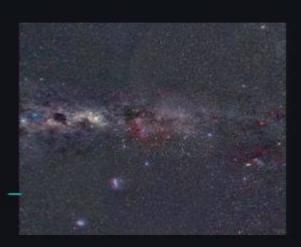
 $r = 4.5 \, rs$

Forward

Sideways

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 $r = 2.5 \, rs$

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Forward

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 $r = 1.5 \, rs$

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 $r = 1.2 \, rs$

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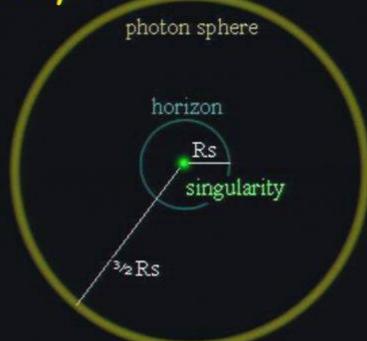
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The Anatomy Summary

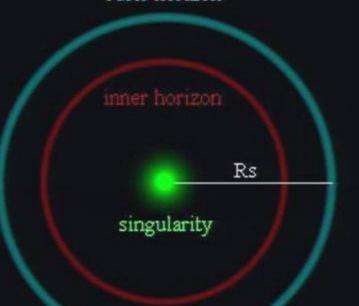
If you calculate the size of an object whose escape velocity is the speed of light, you get the "Schwarzschild radius", which defines the "event horizon". This is the formal size of a black hole (even though there is nothing at that location). It is given by R_s =3km(M_{\star}/M_{sun}). It is the horizon over which you can see no more events. Outside that at 1.5 R_s photons would orbit the hole (the photon sphere).

Far from the hole, the gravity is the same as it would be if the star were still there (so no "vacuum cleaner" effect). If the Sun collapsed to a BH, the Earth's orbit would be unaffected.



Types of Black Holes

outer horizon



horizon

Rs

singularity

counterrotating photon sphere corotating photon sphere

outer horizon

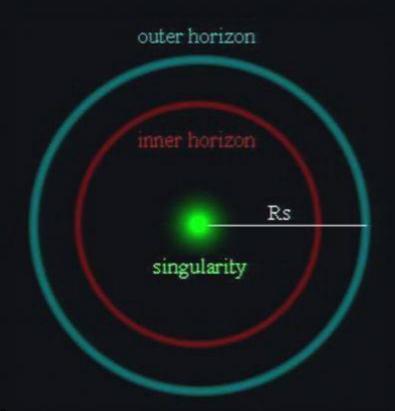
singularity inner horizon

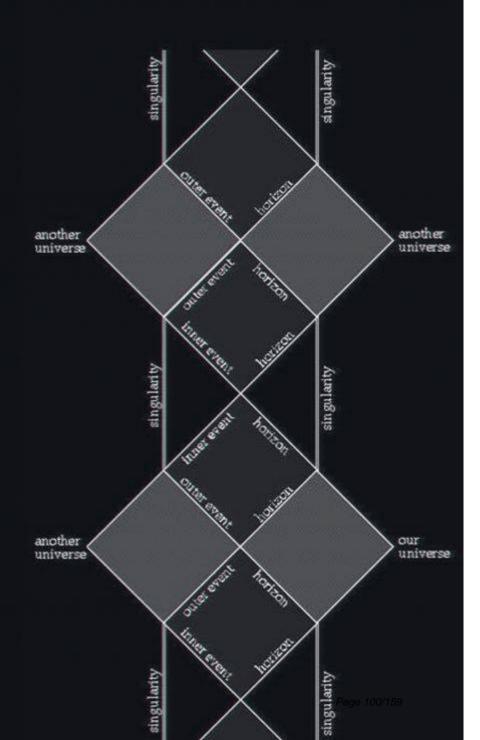
ergosphere

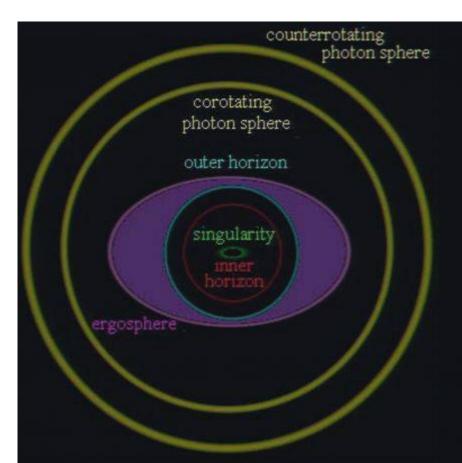
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Reissner-Nordström Black Hole

An electrically Charged Black Hole



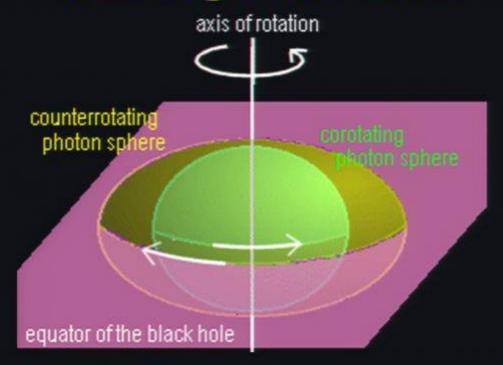


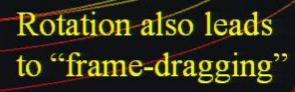


$$r_{inner} = \frac{r_s + \sqrt{r_s^2 + 4\frac{J}{Mc}}}{2}$$

$$r_s + \sqrt{r_s^2 + 4\left(\frac{J}{Mc}\cos(\theta)\right)^2}$$

Rotating Black Holes



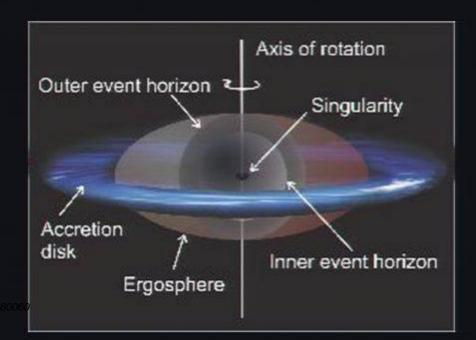


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A Rotating Black Hole (The Kerr Black Holes)

Why is it called a rotating black hole? The event horizon doesn't rotate---it's just a boundary-line, Though anything inside the ergosphere must co-rotate, that nothing can remain stationary

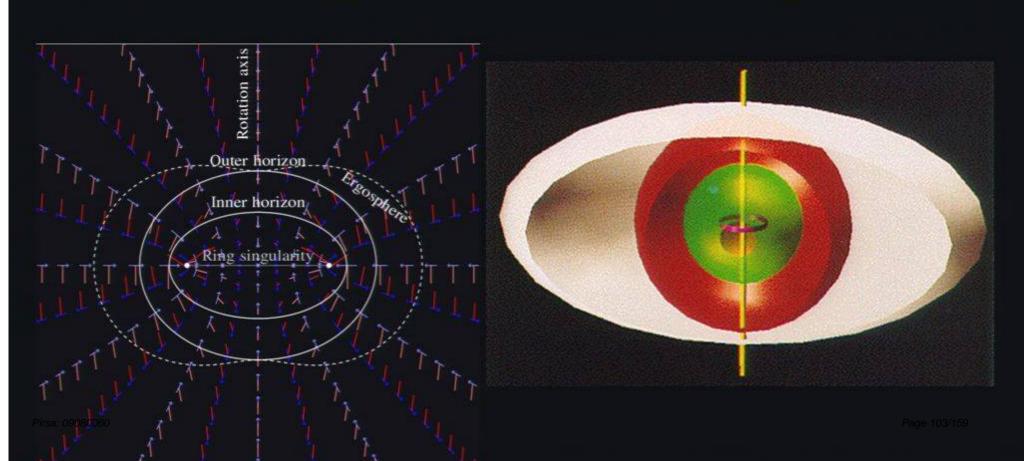


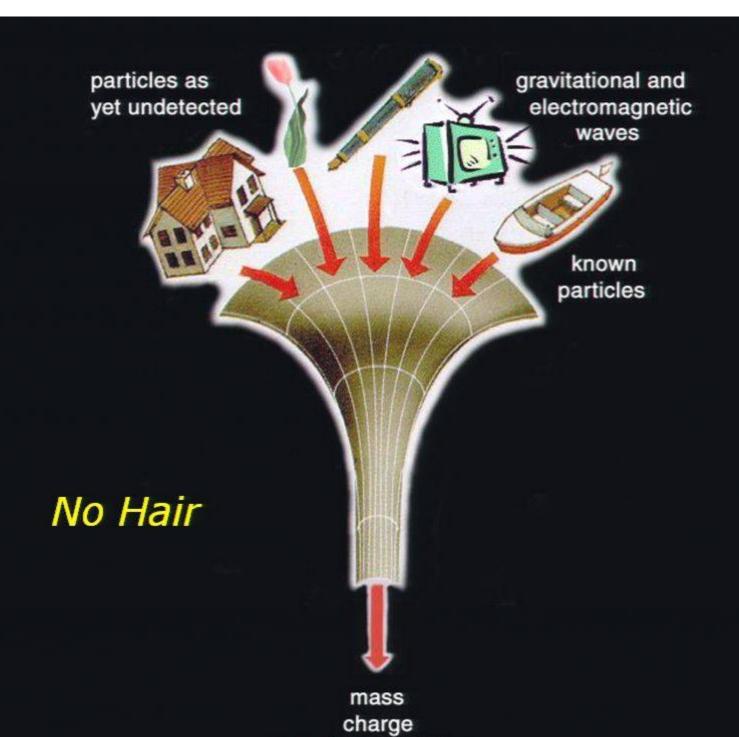


The Penrose effect allows for the black hole to lose energy from ergosphere and thus will slow down and eventually stop

Kerr-Newman Black Hole

Same Structure as Kerr Black Hole. But now it has a charge as well as a rotation. This type of Black hole is not a stable configuarion.





angular momentum

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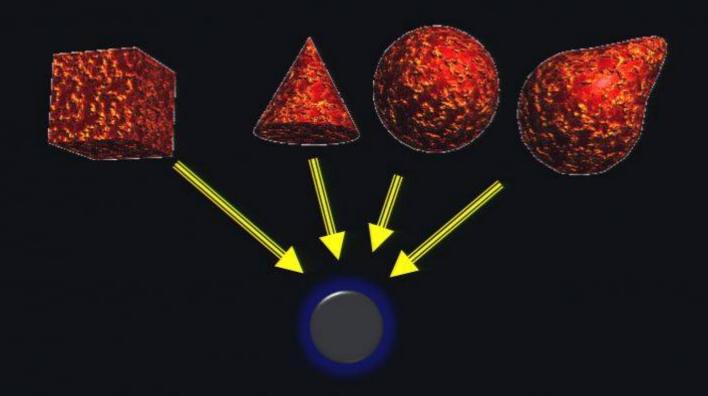
No-hair theorem (well maybe 3 hairs)

- A black hole has no hair;
 its only 'hair' are its
 - 1. Mass
 - 2. Angular momentum
 - 3. Electric charge



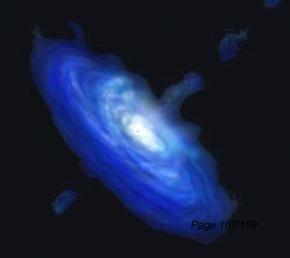


Stars of all Shapes and Sizes



Types of black holes

- Schwarzschild (1916)
 - mass
- Reissner-Nordström (1916, 1918)
 - mass, electric charge
- Kerr (1963)
 - mass, angular momentum
- Kerr-Newman (1965)
 - mass, angular momentum, electric charge



Latest Mathematical Model of falling into a Black Hole



Entropy of Black Hole

- •Black hole presents us with a problem: What happens to the information when a particle falls inside a Black Hole?
- Remember only 3 parameters are required to describe a Black Hole (charge, mass, and angular momentum).
- •In order to describe a physical system, we need entropy (a measure of disorder).
- Hawking had no problem with this "entropy eater"
- Hawking (after changing mind) and Bekenstein produced laws of Black Hole mechanics that bore an amazing resemblance to laws of thermodynamics.
- •The 2nd law of thermodynamics "Entropy (randomness) increases
- You replace "Horizon Area" with "Entropy"

$$S(entropy) = \frac{kAc^3}{4hG}$$

Entropy of Black Hole

New problem: if the Black Hole has an entropy, it must have a temperature too.

Worse Problem: If is has a temperature it must radiate, but in classical definition, nothing can escape a Black Hole.

Crisis:

- Several ways to picture how a black Hole evaporates
 - Some ways correspond to different ways of formulating laws of quantum fields.
 - •Some ways correspond to String Theory
 - Some ways correspond to Quantum Gravity
 - Some ways make no sense at all.
 - Next Talk will discuss this.

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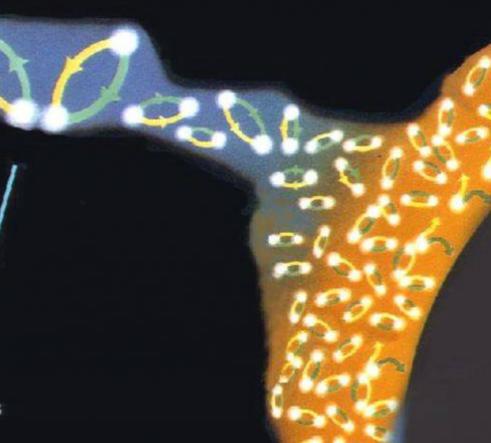
Stephen W. Hawking (b1942)

Virtual photon is its own antiparticle

virtual particles

Black Holes Ain't So Black

Hawking radiation



Hawking Radiation

- The Hawking Radiation theory states that virtual particle-antiparticle pairs are sometimes created outside the event horizon of a black hole. Three things can happen to a pair of particles just outside the event horizon:
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Hawking Radiation

 The larger (more massive) the Black Hole the lower the temperature and the longer it takes to evaporate.

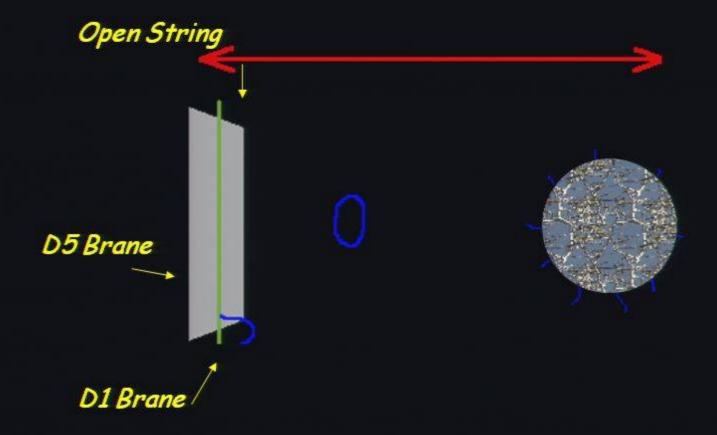
$$Temp_K \approx \frac{6 \times 10^{-8}}{M_{\oplus}}$$

$$\tau ime \approx 10^{66} \cdot \left[M_{\oplus}\right]^3$$

•Remember the age of the Universe is 1010 years give or take 3 days.

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Superstring Method

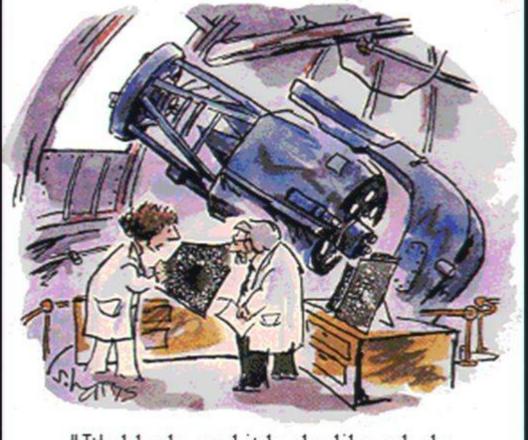


One of the most dramatic recent results in string theory is the derivation of the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy

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Are Black Holes Real

What are we going to look for if Black Holes are Real



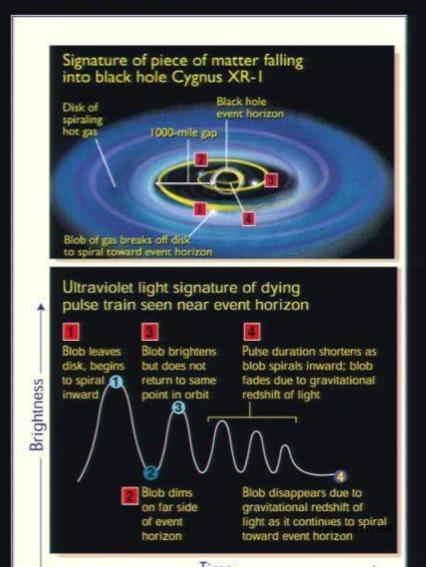
"It's black, and it looks like a hole.
I'd say it's a black hole."

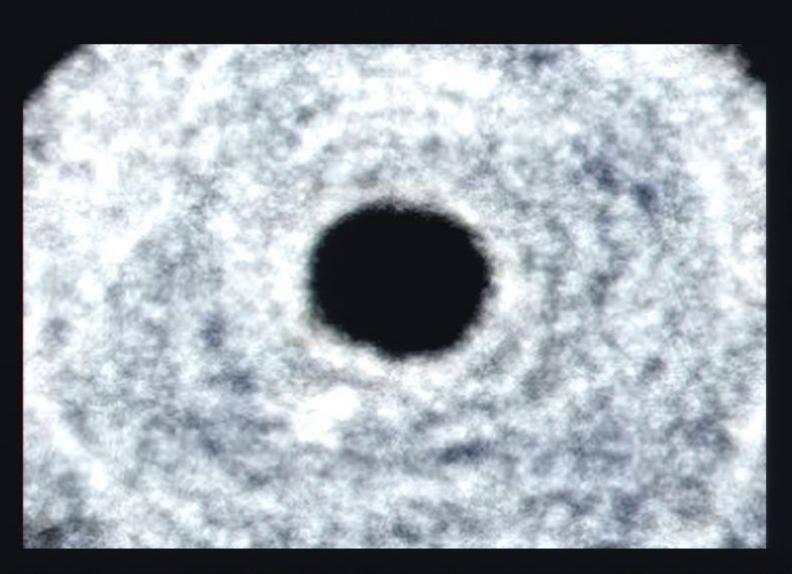
Sidney Harris

Finding Black Holes Ultraviolet and X-rays Seeing Matter Disappear

Hubble observed pulses of UV light emitted by material as it fell into a black hole.

- Pulses arise from material orbiting around intense gravity of the black hole.
- Light pulses, lasting 0.2 s, are red-shifted from X-ray to UV, as they fall into gravity of the black hole.

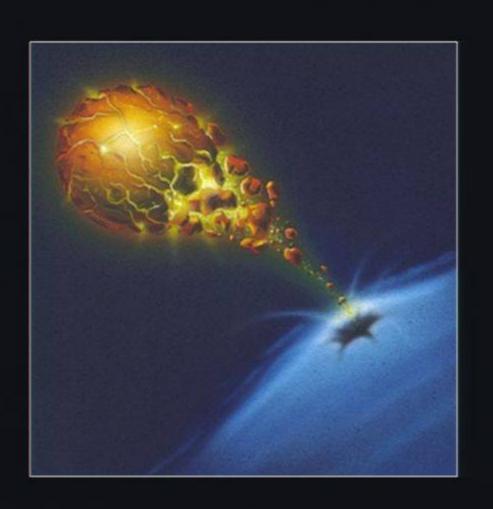




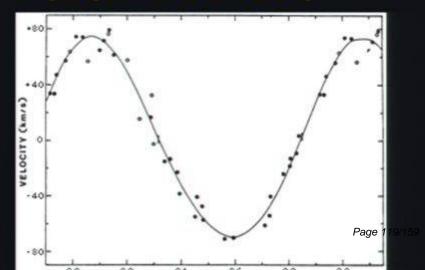
·Zel'dovich speculated that if a black hole was surround by gas and this gas was orbiting the black hole in an accretion disk, it Would give off x-rays

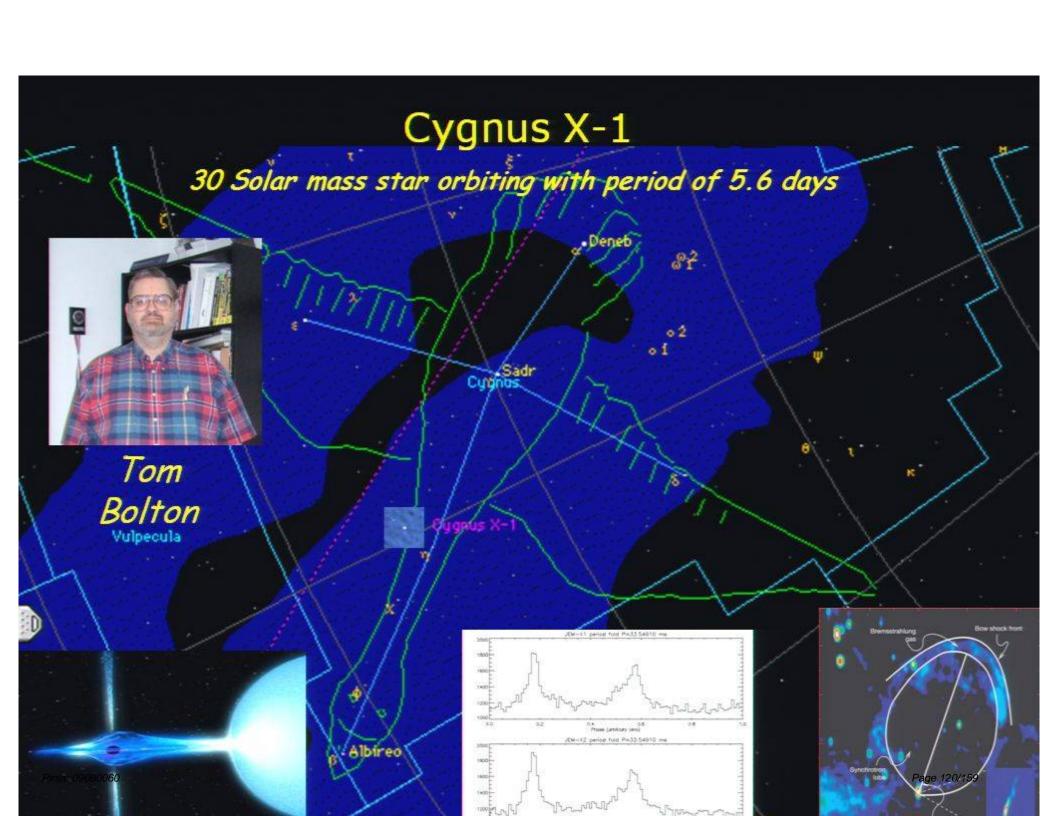
· The U.S. then used WW2 V-2 rockets with a simple x-ray machine in the

Seeing Holes



- Can't see black hole itself, but can see matter falling into a hole.
- Gravitational forces stretch and rip matter: heats up.
- Very hot objects emit in Xrays (interior of Sun)

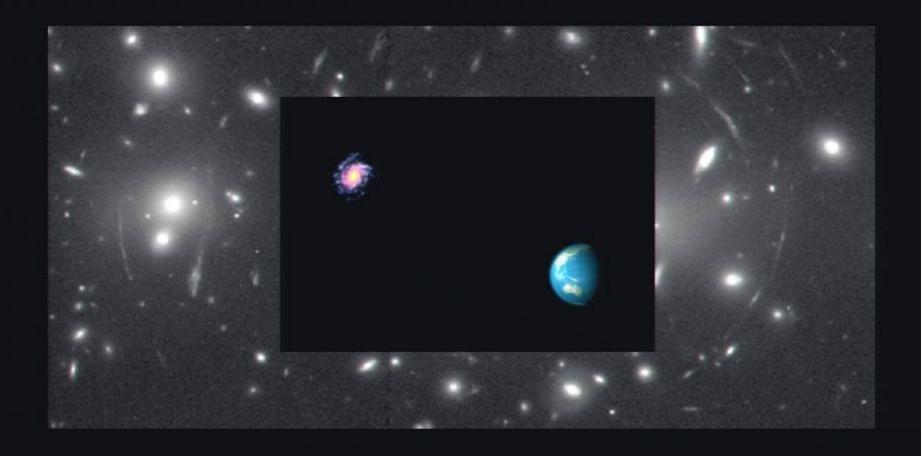




Even More Binary Black Holes

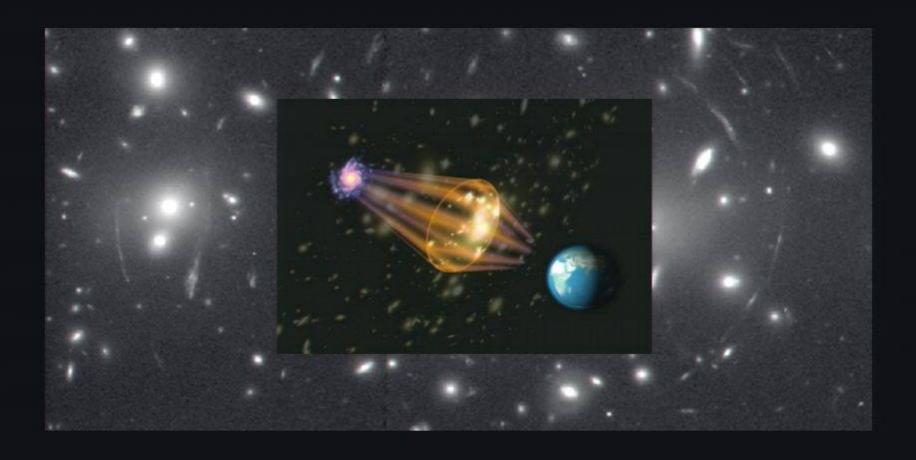
Name of Binary System	Companion Star Spectral Type	Orbital Period (days)	Black Hole Mass (Solar Units)
Cygnus X-1	B supergiant	5.6	6-15
LMC X-3	B main sequence	1.7	4-11
A0620-00 (V616 Mon)	K main sequence	7.8	4-9
GS2023+338 (V404 Cyg)	K main sequence	6.5	> 6
GS2000+25 (QZ Vul)	K main sequence	0.35	5-14
GS1124-683 (Nova Mus 1991)	K main sequence	0.43	4-6
GRO J1655-40 (Nova Sco 1994)	F main sequence	2.4	4-5
H1705-250 (Nova Oph 1977)	K main sequence	0.52	> 4

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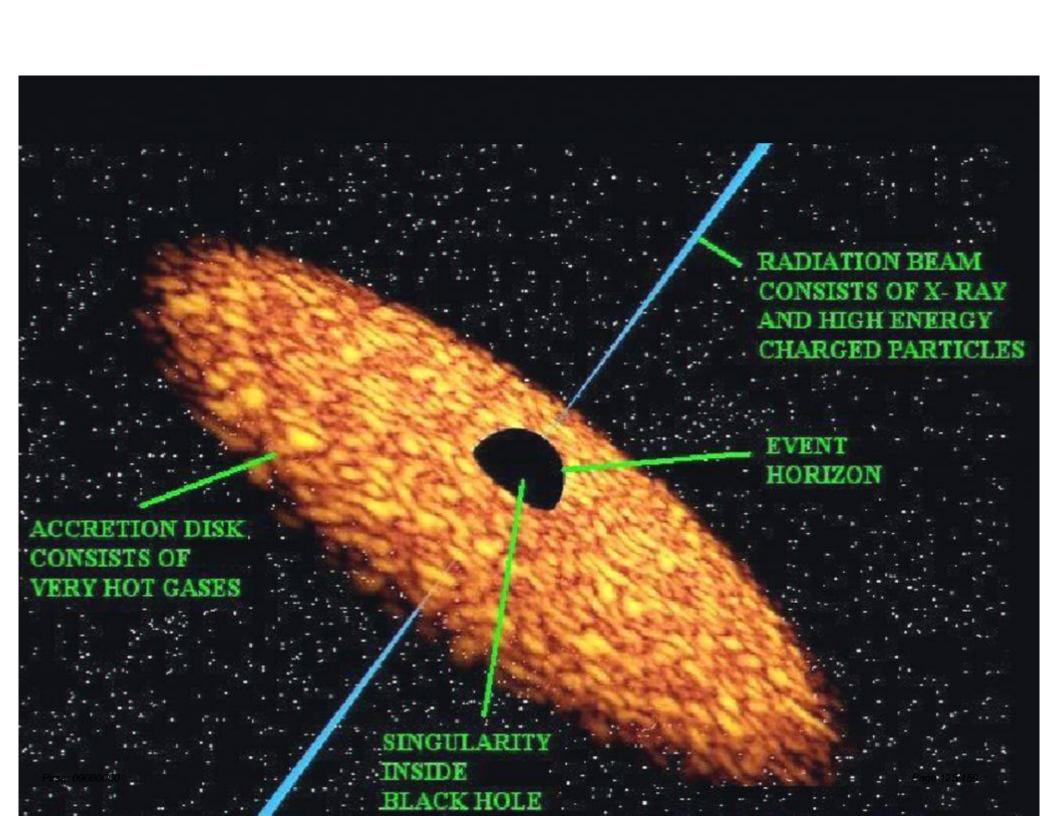
What else should we look for?



Jets

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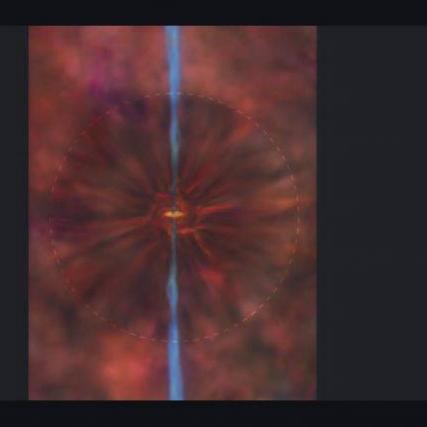
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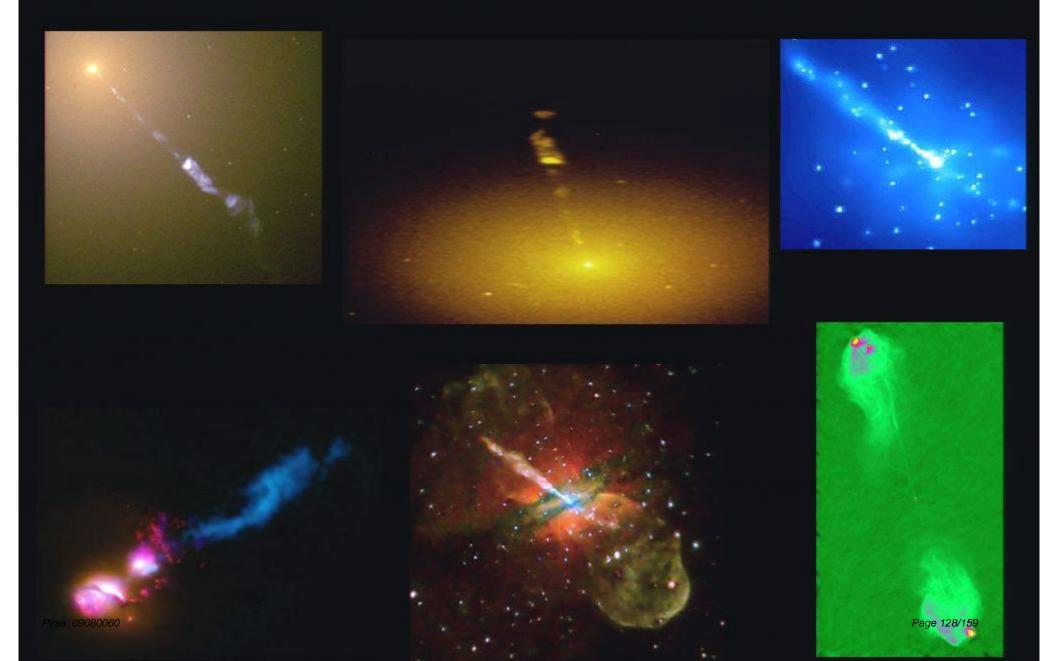


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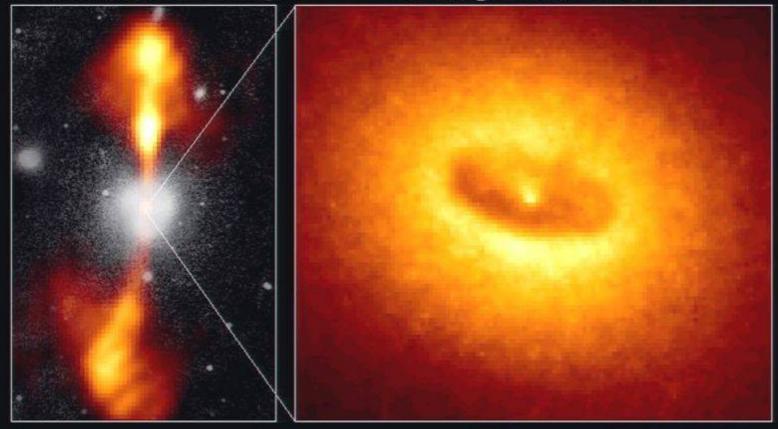
Core of Galaxy NGC 4261

Hubble Space Telescope

Wide Field / Planetary Camera

Ground-Based Optical/Radio Image

HST Image of a Gas and Dust Disk



380 Arc Seconds 88,000 LIGHTYEARS

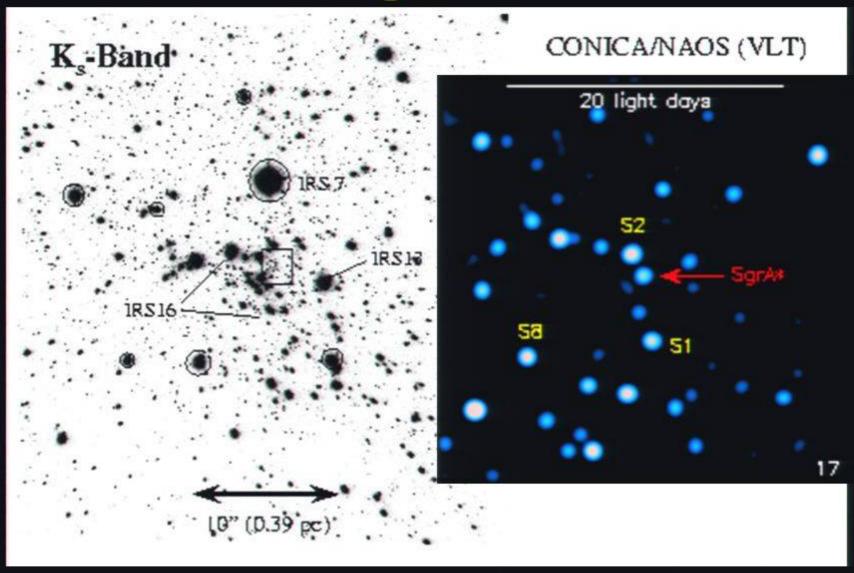
17 Arc Seconds 400 LIGHTYEARS

More Evidence



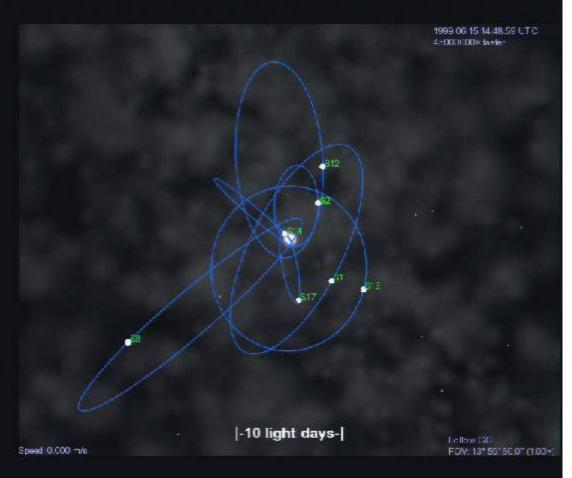
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1994.4 10 light days



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Black Hole Evidence

NGC 4696 Near-Infrared

M33

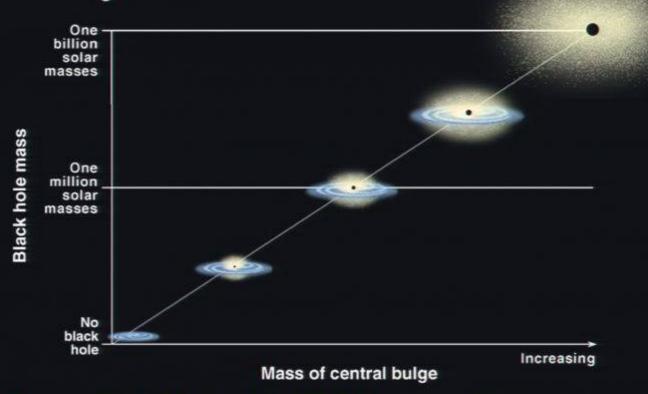
Optical (Kitt Peak)

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Speed of Gas and Black Holes

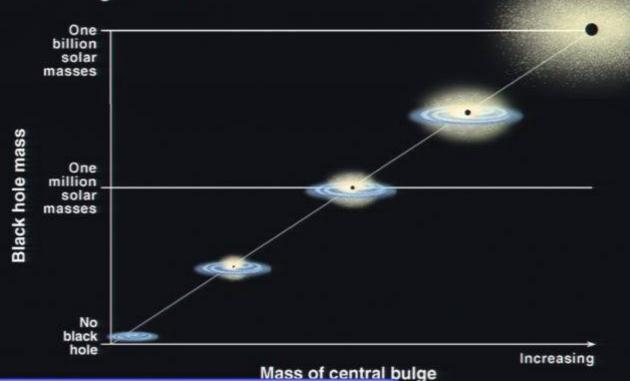
Correlation Between Black Hole Mass and Bulge Mass



- It discovered a correlation between a Black Hole's mass and the average speed of the stars in the galaxy's central bulge.
- The faster the stars are moving, the larger the black hole.
- The central Black Hole comprises 0.5% of mass of stars in the spheroid of the galaxy.
 (Magorrian Relation)
- Previously, black holes were seen as the endpoints of evolution, the final resting state of most or all of the matter in the universe. Now we believe black holes also play a critical role

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When Black Holes Collide

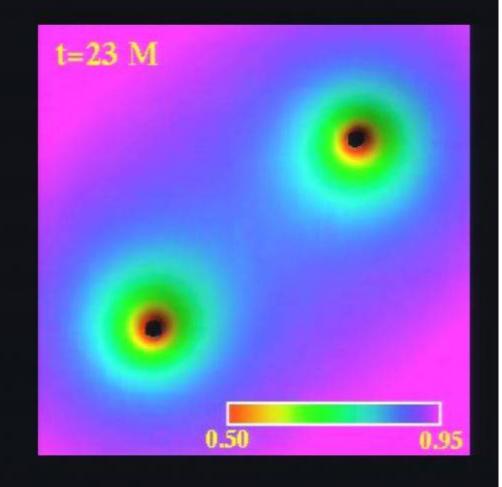


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The Best Simulation

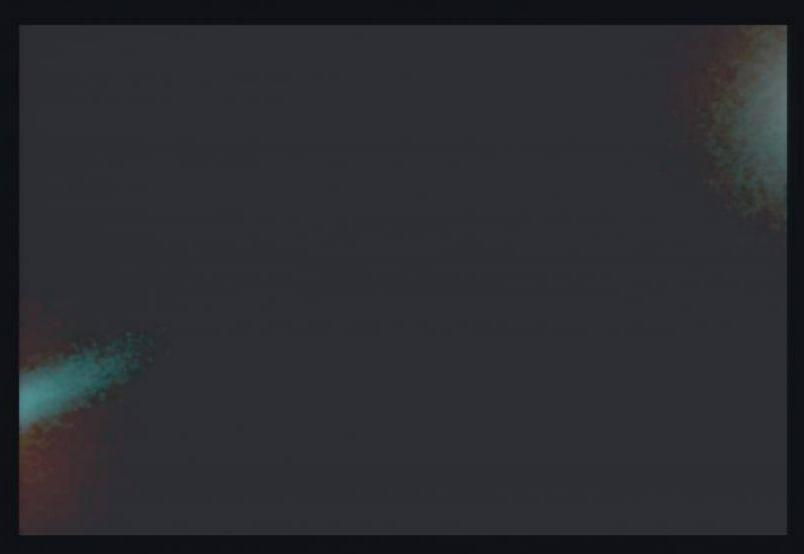
For over 20 years cosmologist have being trying to simulate colliding black holes.

In 2005 at Banff, Frans
Pretorius was able to
provide an accurate
simulation of only 5
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black holes



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Frame Dragging and Gravitational Waves



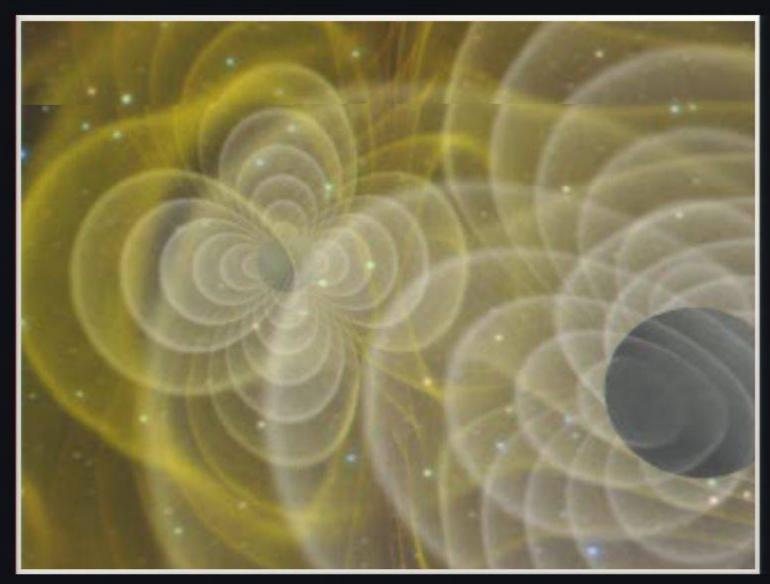
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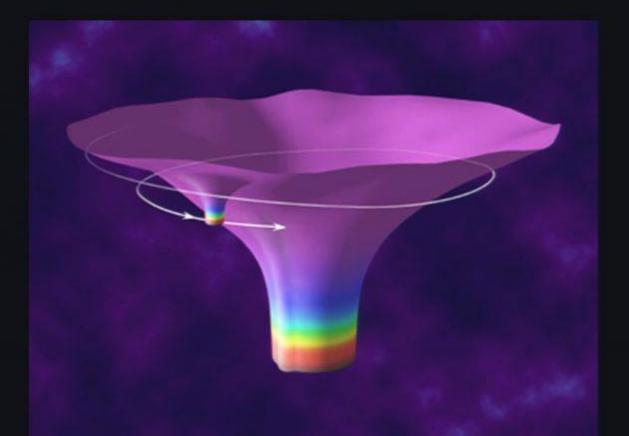


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Nasa's Latest Animation



This is the final piece of the puzzle that needs to be verified



Wave Detection

The race is on and the detectors are in place or being readied for orbit:

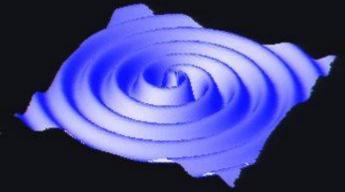
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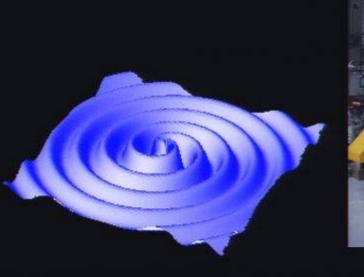
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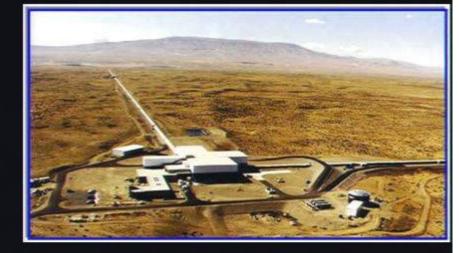
The GEO600 detector, located in a field outside Hannover in Germany





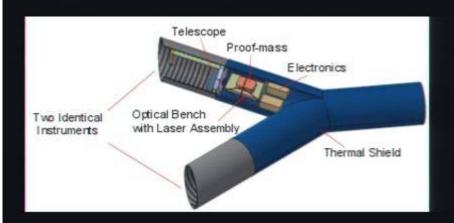
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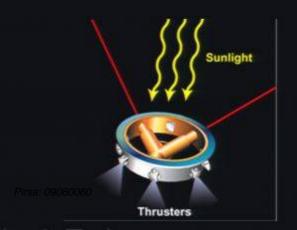


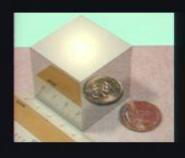


Lisa

- Distance between each craft is 5,000,000 km
- Will follow Earth's orbit by 20 degrees
- ➤ Will be able to detect $\triangle L/L$ less then 10^{-21} (that $\triangle L$ of 10^{-10} cm)
- Launch date set for 2015 (5 year duration)









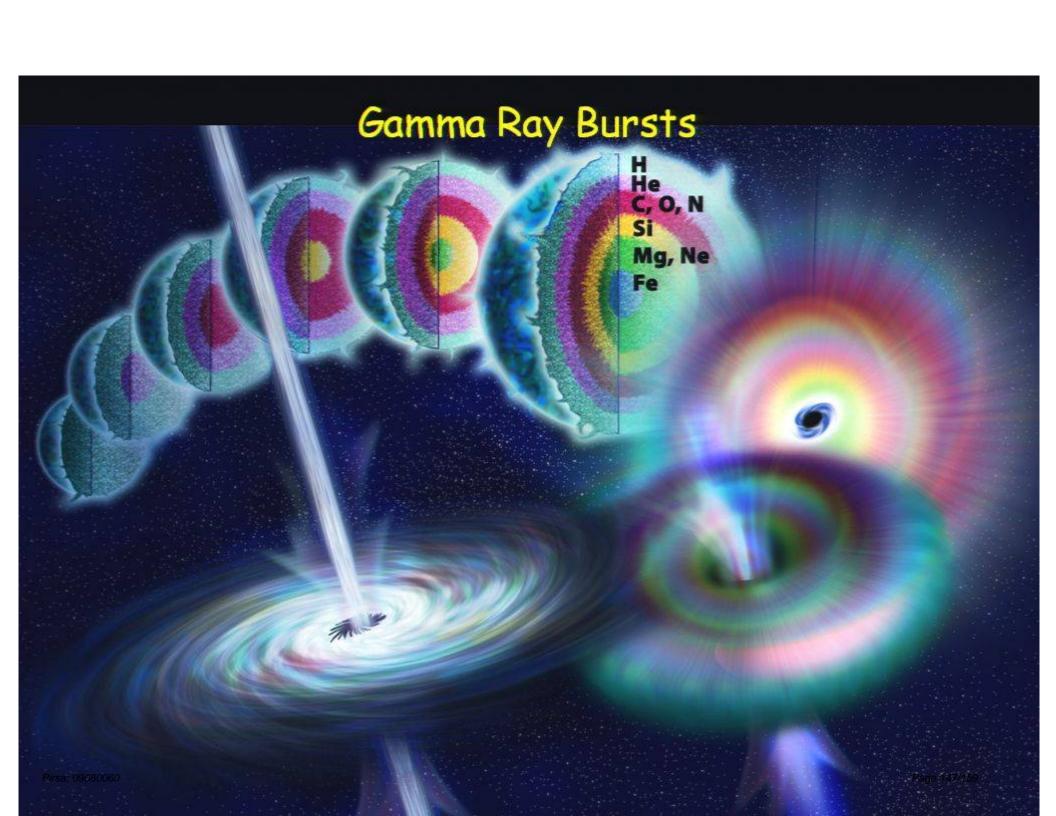
The Sound of collapse





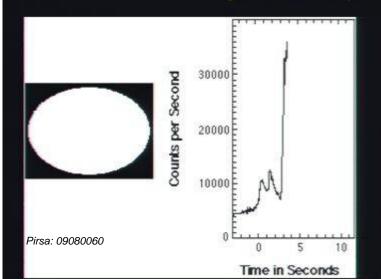
Strange Predictions

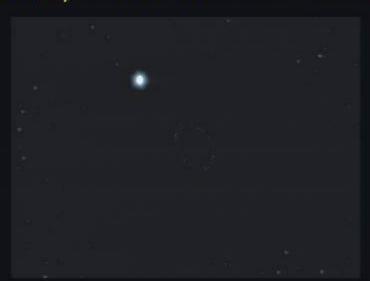




GRB

Record-breaking Gamma Ray Burst (GRB) in the act on Wednesday (March 19th, 2008), the worlds telescopes swung toward the constellation of Boötes to watch the afterglow of this massive explosion. One instrument in a Chile observatory was observing in Swift's field of view at the time of the blast and has put together a short frame-by-frame video of the event. So if you missed this historic burst from 7.5 billion years ago (which you probably did!) you can watch it now...

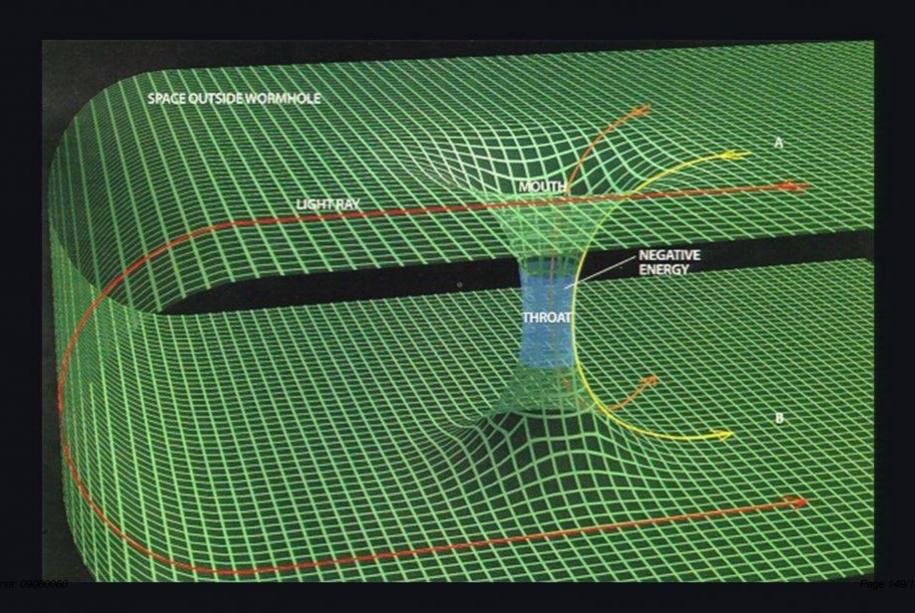








Wormholes

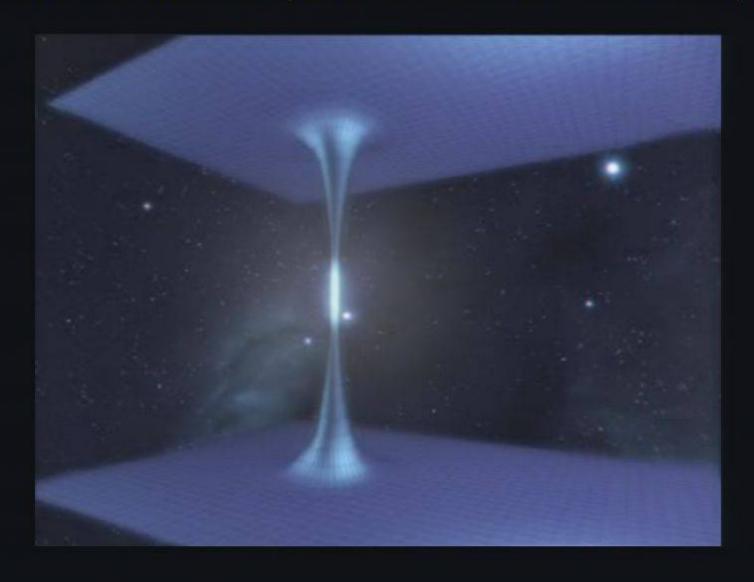


Wormholes (the traveler's view)



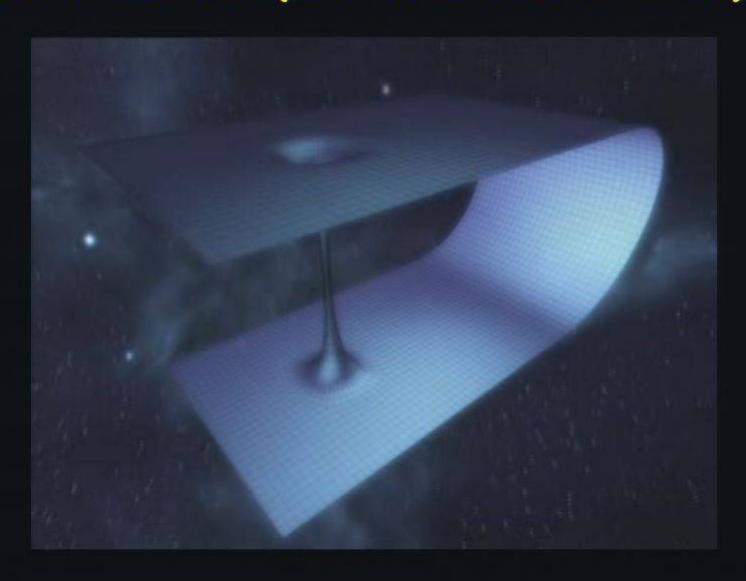
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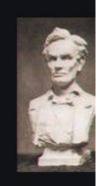


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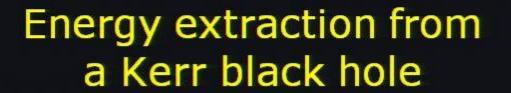


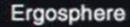
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Time Travel



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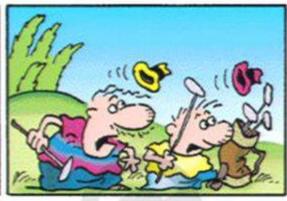




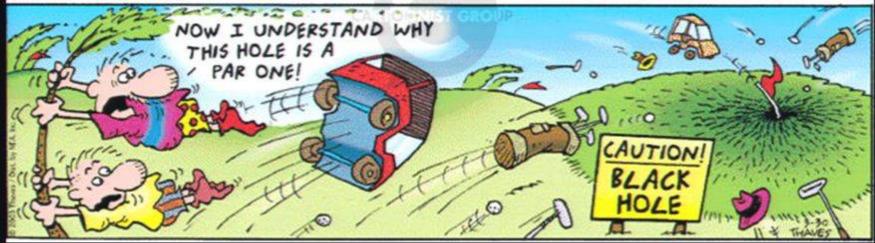
Rubbish going to ergosphere to collect energy

Returning rubbish brings









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