

Title: PSI 17/18 - Gravitational Physics - Lecture 13

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Abstract:

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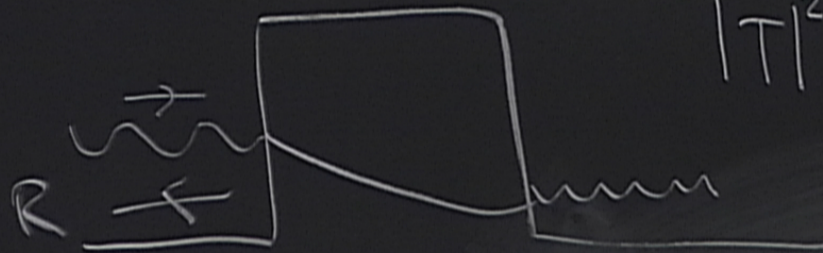
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# Recall QM tunneling



$$\kappa^2 = \frac{2m(V_0 - E)}{\hbar^2}$$



$$|T|^2 = \frac{1}{1 + \frac{V_0^2 \sinh^2 \kappa d}{4E(V_0 - E)}} \propto e^{-2\kappa d}$$

$$\Omega d = \frac{1}{\hbar} \int_0^d \sqrt{2m(V_0 - E)} dx$$

"overall potential barrier"

Approximate wave fn by

$$\Psi = e^{i\psi/\hbar} e^{-iEt/\hbar}$$



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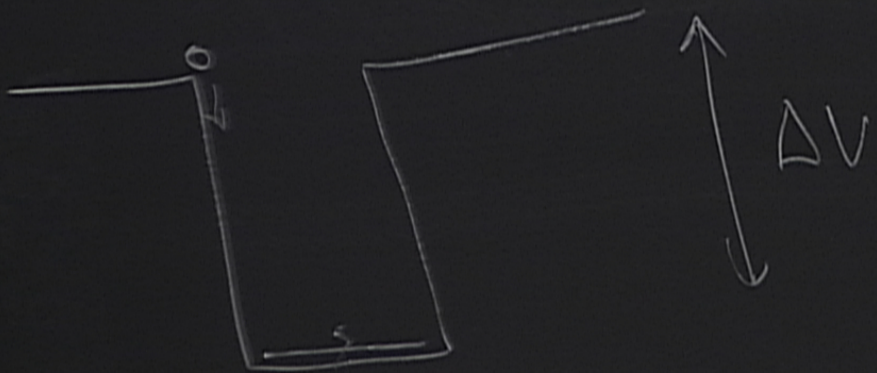
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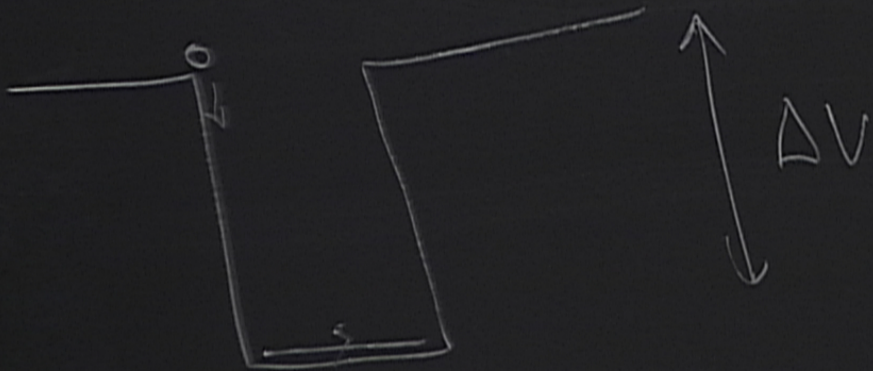
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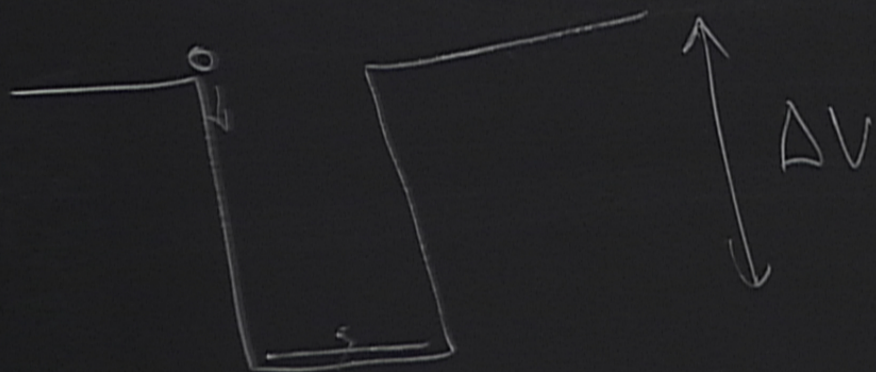


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$$L = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 - V(x)$$

$$t \rightarrow i\tau \rightarrow -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 - V.$$



$$L \rightarrow - \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 - (-V) \right)$$

Lorentzian 'motion'  
translates to Euclidean  
motion in an inverted  
potential.



(-v))  
Amplitude for decay in  
general given by  $e^{-S_B/\hbar}$   
 $S_B$  is the action of the  
Euclidean soln interpolating  
between vacua or entry &  
exit points.



ptcl rolls to exit pt & back  
"the bounce"



e.g. False vacuum decay

$$\mathcal{L}_\phi = \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - V(\phi)$$

$$V = \frac{\lambda}{2} (\phi^2 - \eta^2)^2 - \frac{c(\phi - \eta)}{2\eta}$$



say

$$\phi = -\eta \quad V = E \quad \text{FALSE VAC}$$

$$\phi = \eta \quad V = 0 \quad \text{TRUE VAC.}$$

$-\eta$   
 $\eta$

Expect F.V. to be metastable,  
look for Euclidean soln to find  
tunneling amplitude.

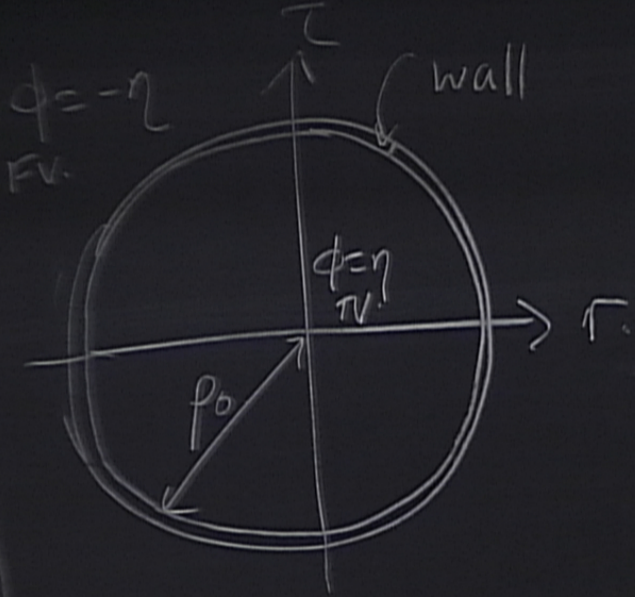


In  $\tau = it$ :

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{d\tau^2} + \nabla^2\phi = \frac{\partial V}{\partial\phi} = 2\lambda\phi(\phi^2 - \eta^2) - \frac{\epsilon}{2\eta}$$

An approx soln is

$$\phi = -\eta \tanh[\sqrt{\lambda}\eta(\rho - \rho_0)] \quad \text{where} \\ \rho^2 = \tau^2 + r^2$$



Rapid transition between vacua through "thin wall"



Euclidean action:

$$I_E = \int \frac{1}{z} \left[ \left( \frac{d\phi}{dt} \right)^2 + (\nabla \phi)^2 \right] + V$$

$$\simeq \int \frac{1}{z} \phi'^2 + V \sim \sigma \cdot 2\pi^2 p_0^3 \quad \text{WALL ENERGY}$$

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A description of decay by tunneling (NON-PERTURBATIVE)

$$I_{FV} = \epsilon \int_0^{\infty} 2\pi^2 \rho^3 d\rho = \frac{\pi^2}{2} R^4 \Big|_{R \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$I_B = I_E - I_{FV} = \underbrace{2\pi^2 \rho_0^3 \sigma}_{\text{"COST FOR WALL"}} - \underbrace{\frac{\pi^2}{2} \rho_0^4 \epsilon}_{\text{GAIN FROM VACUUM}}$$

Euclidean soln is at a stationary pt in action  $\frac{\partial I_B}{\partial \rho_0} = 0$

$$6\pi^2 \rho_0^2 \sigma = 2\pi^2 \rho_0^3 \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \rho_0 = \frac{3\sigma}{\epsilon} \gg 1$$

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$$I_B = \frac{27\pi^2 \sigma^4}{2 \epsilon^3}$$

Probability of

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age

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Once bubble formed, can find evolution by returning to Lorentzian time.

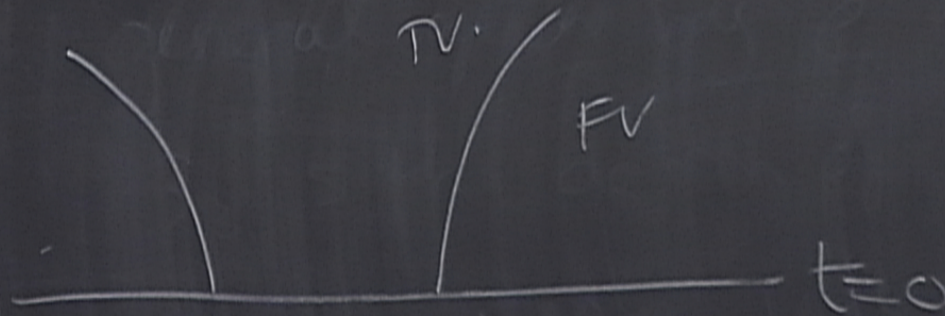
Bubble at  $\rho^2 = \rho_0^2 = \tau^2 + T^2$ .

$i\tau \rightarrow$

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$\overrightarrow{it=t} \rightarrow \rho_0^2 = r^2 - t^2$  - hyperboloid





But vacuum energy gravitates  
Include gravity in calculation  
by finding Euclidean Einstein solns.

F.V. has energy  $E = \frac{\Lambda V}{8\pi G}$

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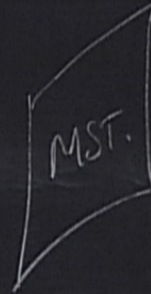
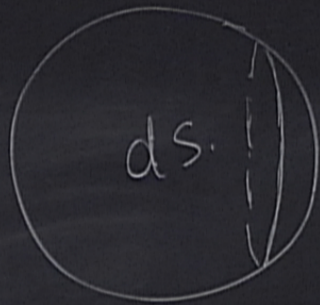
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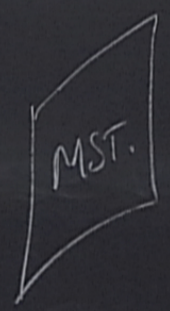
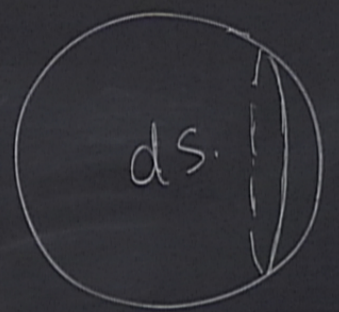


Bubble wall is thin,

Kowalski  
S (FV)

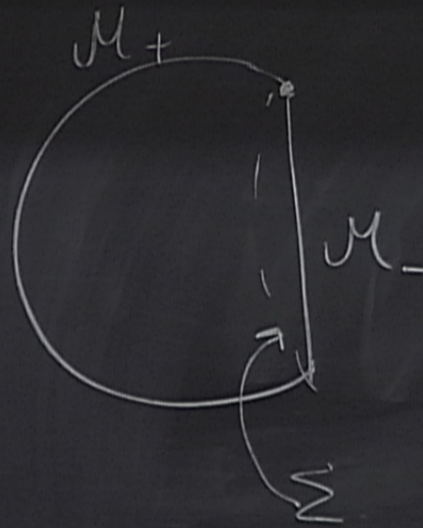
sphere.

$$\sin^2 \chi \left( \frac{d\rho_{III}^2}{\rho_{III}^2} \right)$$



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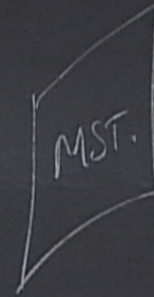
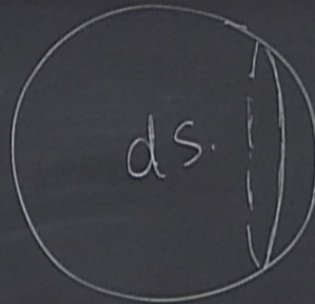


Linkowski

$dS$  (FV)

a sphere.

$$X^2 + \sin^2 X d\Omega_{III}^2$$

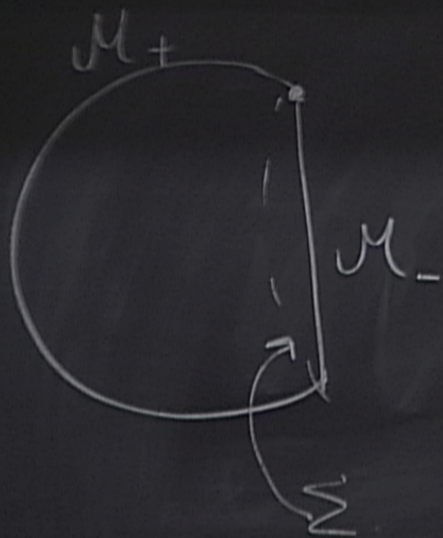


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$$\Delta K_{ab} - \Delta K h_{ab} = 8\pi G \sigma h_{ab}$$





For  $dS$   $n_+ = \frac{1}{\ell} \frac{\partial}{\partial x}$

wall at  $\chi_0$

$$K_{+\alpha\beta} = -\frac{1}{\ell} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^x = \frac{\cot \chi_0}{\ell} g_{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\text{MST} \quad ds^2 = dp^2 + p^2 d\varphi^2$$

wall at  $p_0 = l \sin \chi_0$

$$n_{\perp} = \frac{\partial}{\partial p}$$

$$K_{\alpha\beta} = -\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^p = \frac{1}{p_0} g_{\alpha\beta}$$



$$\Delta K_{\alpha\beta} - \Delta K g_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{2}{\ell} \cot \chi_0 + \frac{2}{\rho_0}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\rho_0} \left[ 1 - \sqrt{1 - \rho_0^2 / \ell^2} \right]$$

$$= 8\pi\epsilon_0$$

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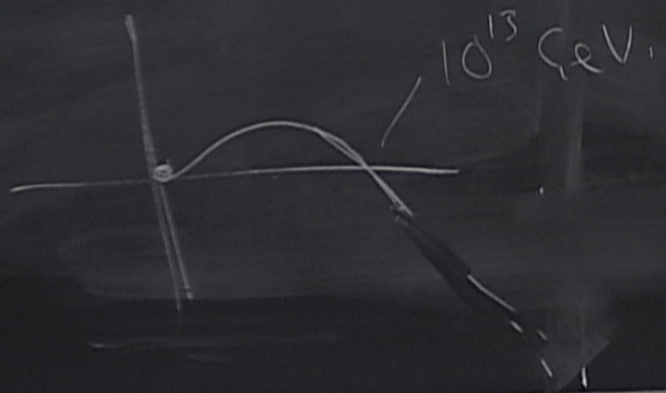
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Calculate  $I_B$  with a black hole & compare decay rate to Hawking evap.

