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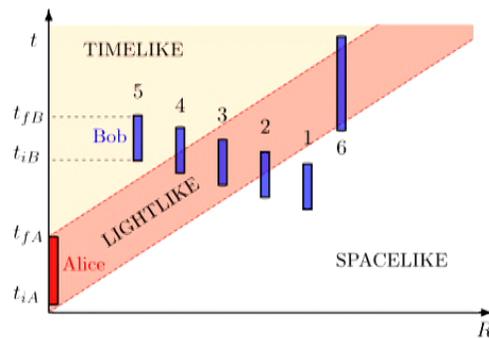
Abstract:

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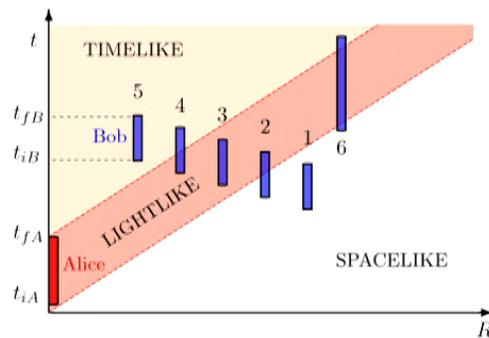
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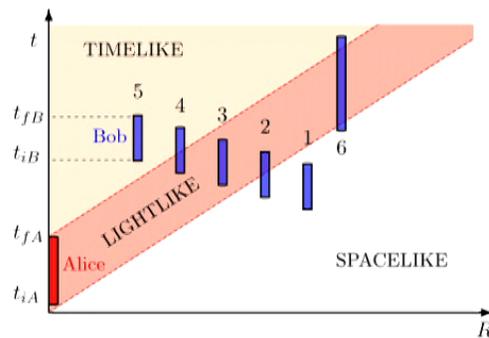
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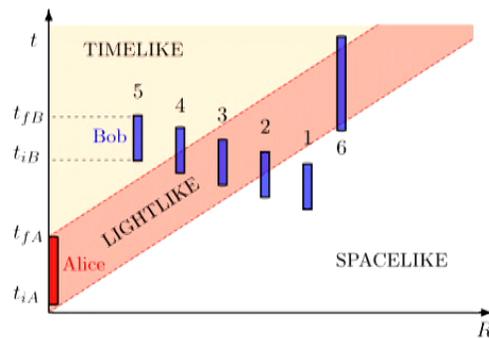
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Not present if  $\alpha_A = 1 \beta_A = 1$

Casimir-Like interactions

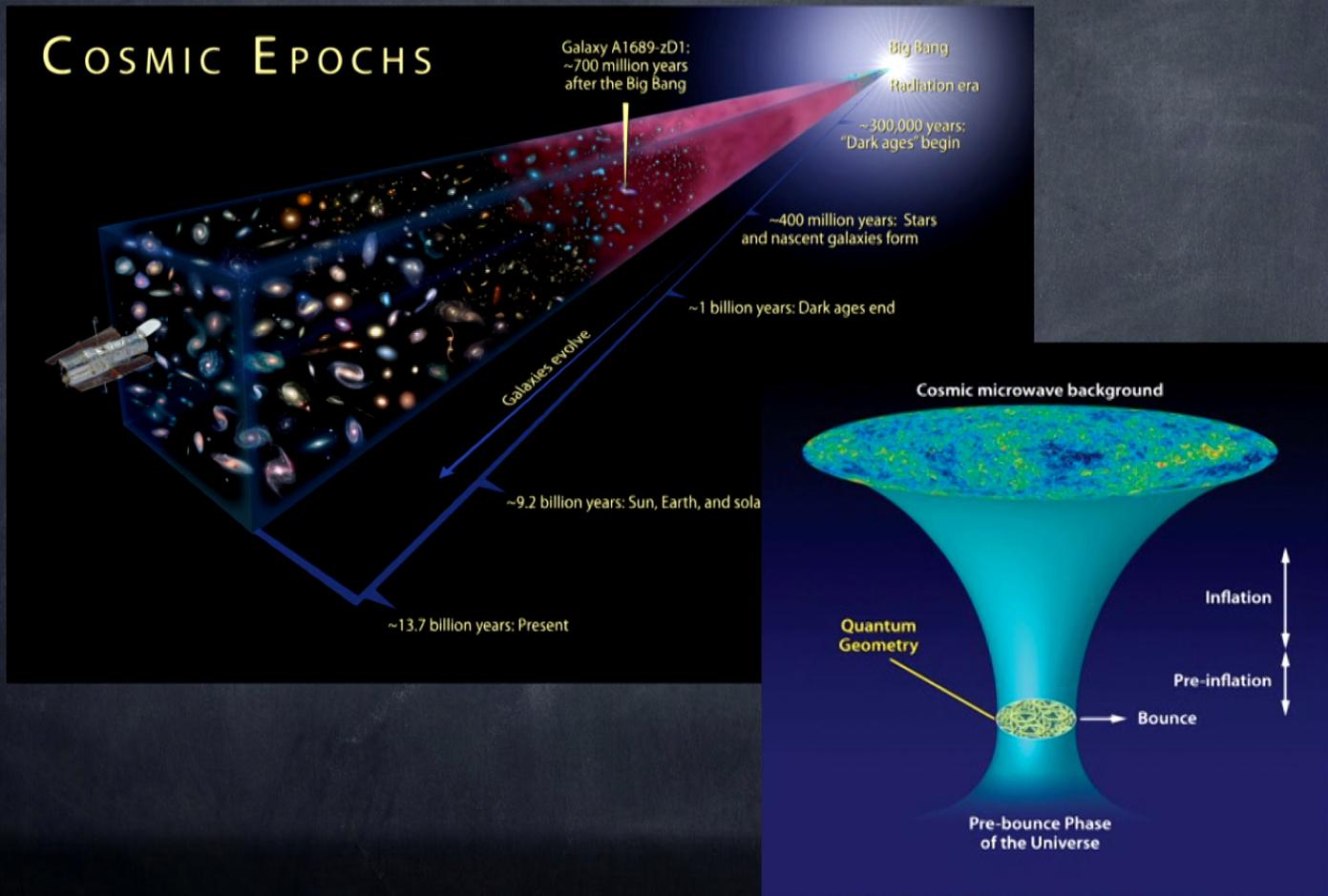
Real photon exchange

AND...WHAT HAPPENS in the  
case of **QUANTUM BOUNCE**  
Setting ?

How much information survives a Cosmological  
cataclysm!!!!



# COSMIC EPOCHS



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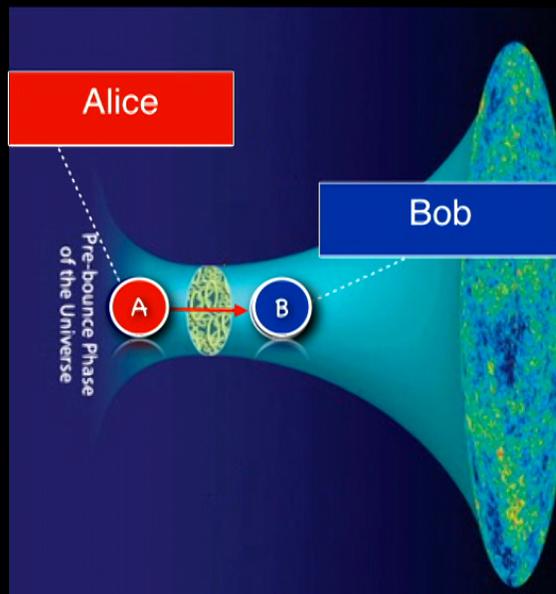
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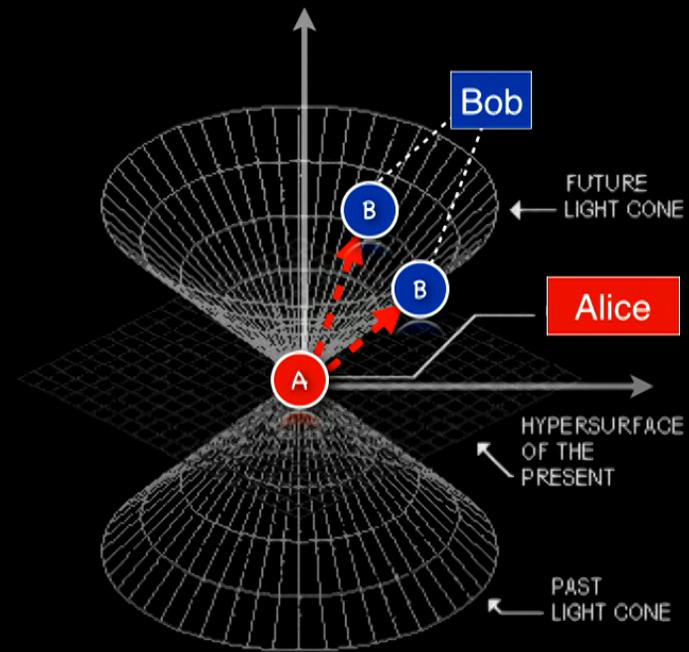
What would you do if you wanted your legacy to survive?

Encode the information in the quantum field:  
detectors and field get entangled.

# Setting QUANTUM BOUNCE



A: before the bounce  
B: after the bounce



Lightcone of Alice

Cosmological  
cataclysm!!!!

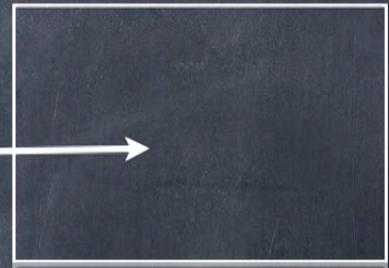


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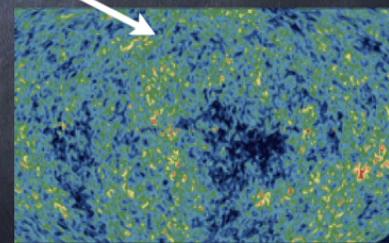
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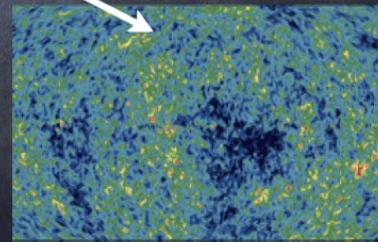
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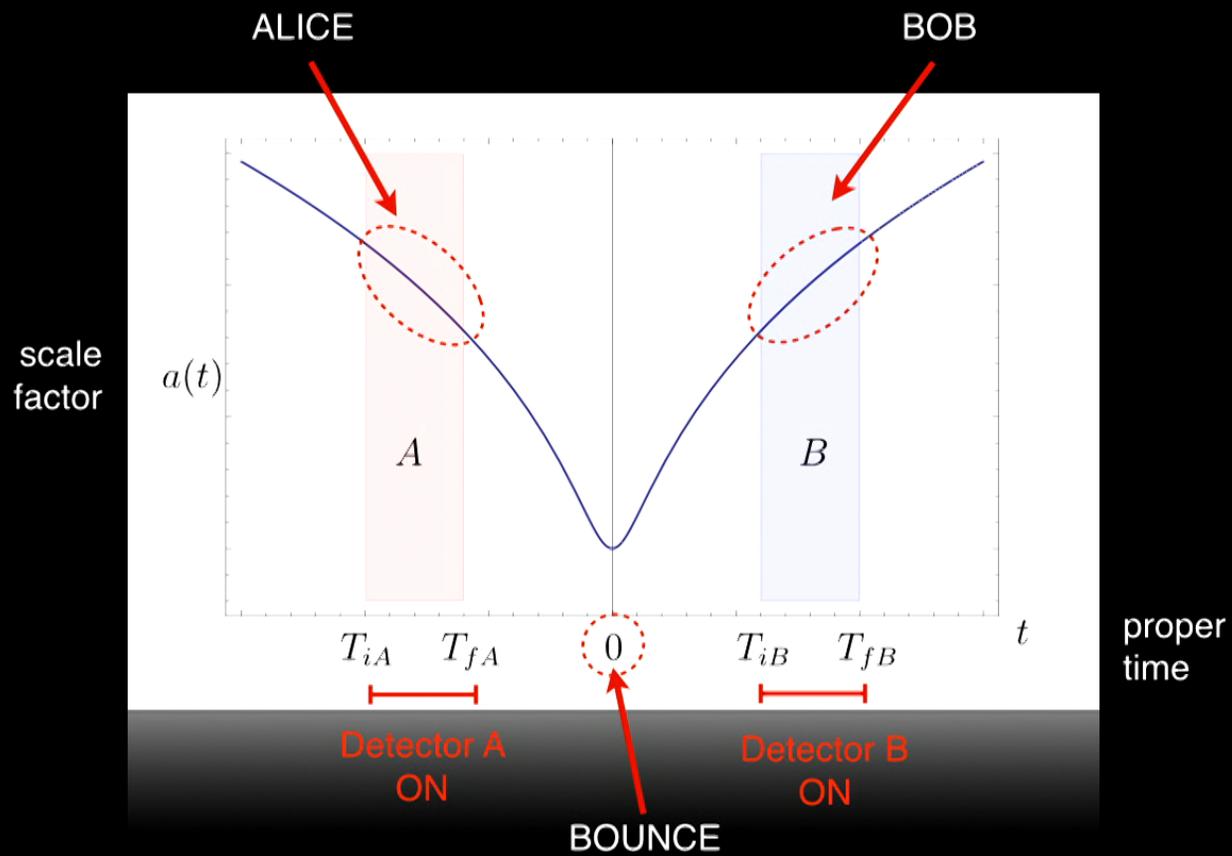
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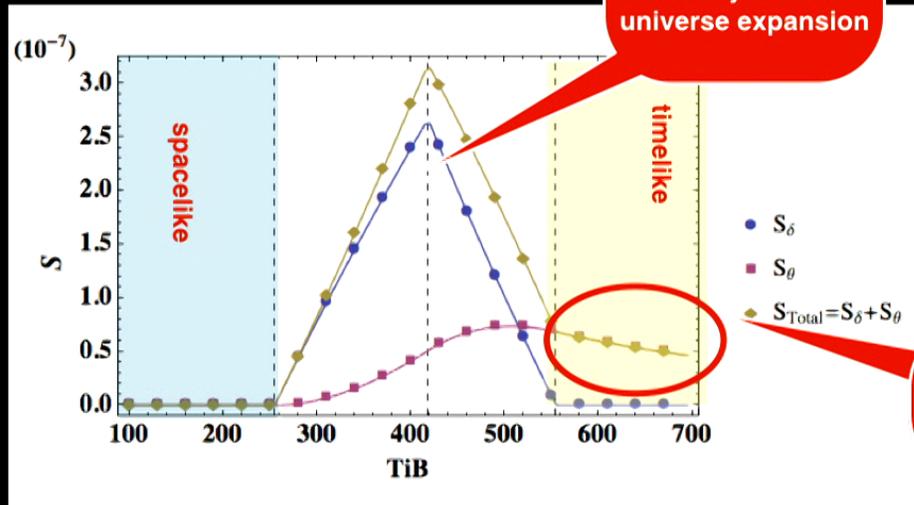
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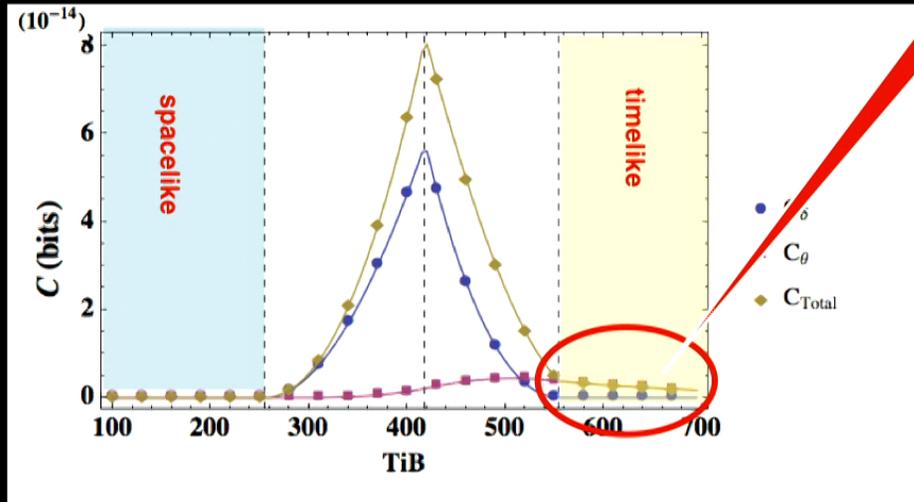
Case:  
Variation of  
**temporal**  
separation

### MINIMAL COUPLING



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ESTIMATOR, S**

**VIOLATION OF  
STRONG HUYGENS  
PRINCIPLE !!!!**



**CHANNEL  
CAPACITY**

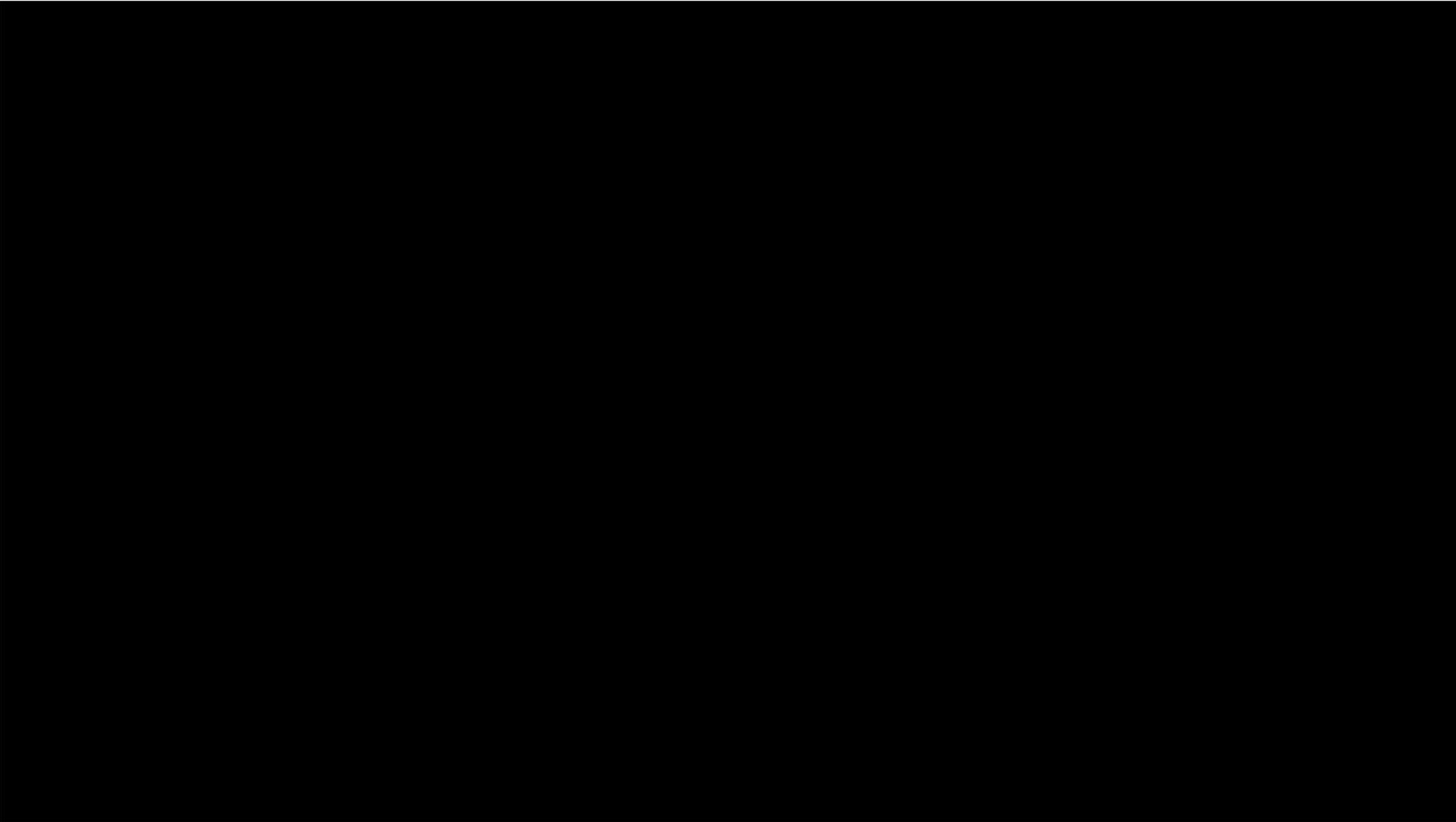
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## CONFORMAL COUPLING

$$[\phi(\mathbf{x}, t), \phi(\mathbf{x}', t')] = \frac{i}{4\pi} \left[ \frac{\delta(\Delta\eta + |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|) - \delta(\Delta\eta - |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|)}{a(t)a(t')|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} \right]$$

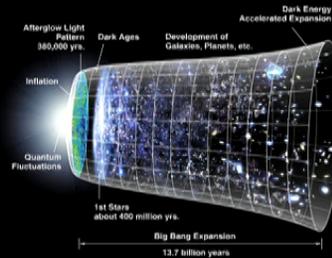
support on the  
light cone

Decay with Spatial  
separation



# Looking for Signatures of QG today

- To test proposals for Quantum Gravity we need
  - i) predictions
  - ii) experimental data encoding QG effects
- QG scales out of reach of experiments on earth
- Most promising window: **COSMOLOGY**



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- Have QG signatures really survived from the early Universe all the way to our current era?
- If so, how strong are they?
- Will it be possible to validate or falsify different QG proposals by looking at the data? Is the information RECOVERABLE?
- Fact: Decoherence  
(time does no good to information)

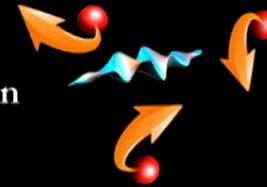
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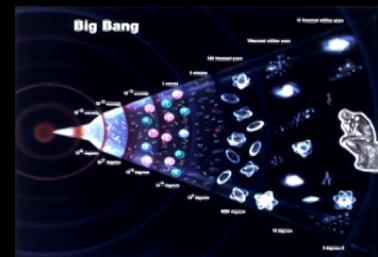
## Setting

- We will analyze Gibbons-Hawking effect :  
Creation of particles measured by a comoving particle detector due to cosmological expansion when the matter fields are in the vacuum



- Particle detector coupled to matter fields from the early stages of the Universe until today:

Would the detector conserve any information from the time when it witnessed the very early Universe dynamics?



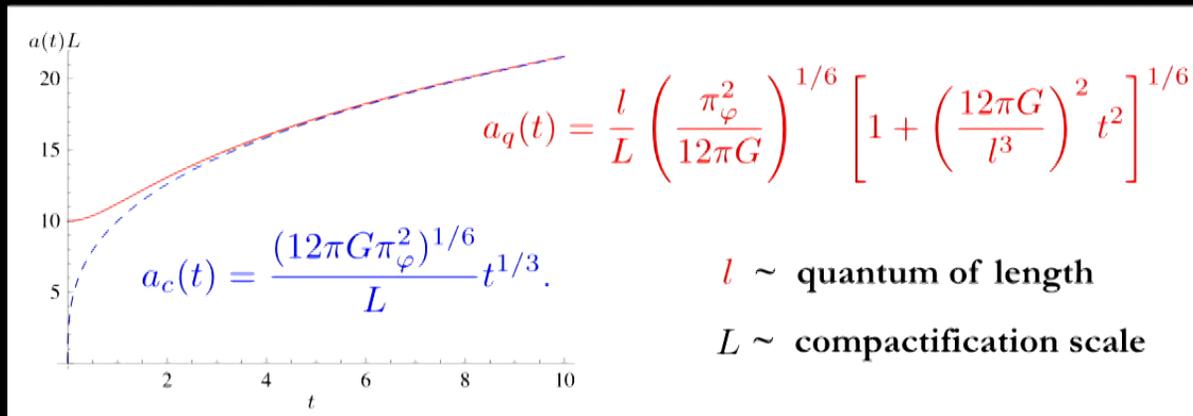
$$t_{Pl} \sim 10^{-44} s \quad ; \quad T \sim 10^{17} s$$

# Early Universe dynamics



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## GR vs Effective LQC



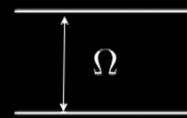
## Gibbons-Hawking effect

- We consider a massless scalar field  $\phi$  in the conformal vacuum
- The proper time of comoving observers (who see an isotropic expansion) does not coincide with conformal time

$$\eta_c(t) = \frac{3L t^{2/3}}{2(12\pi G \pi_\varphi^2)^{1/6}}$$

$$\eta_q(t) = \frac{L}{l} \left( \frac{12\pi G}{\pi_\varphi^2} \right)^{1/6} t \cdot {}_2F_1 \left[ \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, - \left( \frac{12\pi G}{l^3} t \right)^2 \right] \xrightarrow[t \gg l^3/(12\pi G)]{} \eta_c(t) + \beta$$

# The Unruh -DeWitt model



$$|e\rangle = \sigma^+ |0\rangle$$

$$|0\rangle = \sigma^- |e\rangle$$

$$\hat{H}_I(t) = \lambda \chi(t) (\sigma^+ e^{i\Omega t} + \sigma^- e^{-i\Omega t}) \hat{\phi}[\vec{x}_0, \eta(t)]$$

$t$  proper time of the detector (comoving)

$\lambda$  coupling strength

$\chi(t)$  switching function

$[\vec{x}_0, \eta(t)]$  world-line of the detector (stationary)

## Probability of excitation

- $T_0$  : field in the conformal vacuum and detector in its ground state
- Transition probability for the detector to be excited at time  $T$  :  
At leading order ( $\lambda$  small enough)

$$P_e(T_0, T) = \lambda^2 \sum_{\vec{n}} |I_{\vec{n}}(T_0, T)|^2 + \mathcal{O}(\lambda^4)$$

$$I_{\vec{n}}(T_0, T) = \int_{T_0}^T dt \frac{\chi(t)}{a(t) \sqrt{2\omega_{\vec{n}} L^3}} e^{-\frac{2\pi i \vec{n} \cdot \vec{x}_0}{L}} e^{i[\Omega t + \omega_{\vec{n}} \eta(t)]}$$

$$\vec{n} = (n_x, n_y, n_z) \in \mathbb{Z}^3 - \vec{0} \qquad \omega_{\vec{n}} = \frac{2\pi}{L} |\vec{n}|$$

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## Sensitivity to the quantum parameters

- Any observations we may make on particle detectors will be averaged in time over many Planck times

$$\langle P_e(T_0, T) \rangle_{\mathcal{T}} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{T}} \int_{T-\mathcal{T}}^T P_e(T_0, T') dT' \quad \mathcal{T} \gg l^3 / (12\pi G)$$

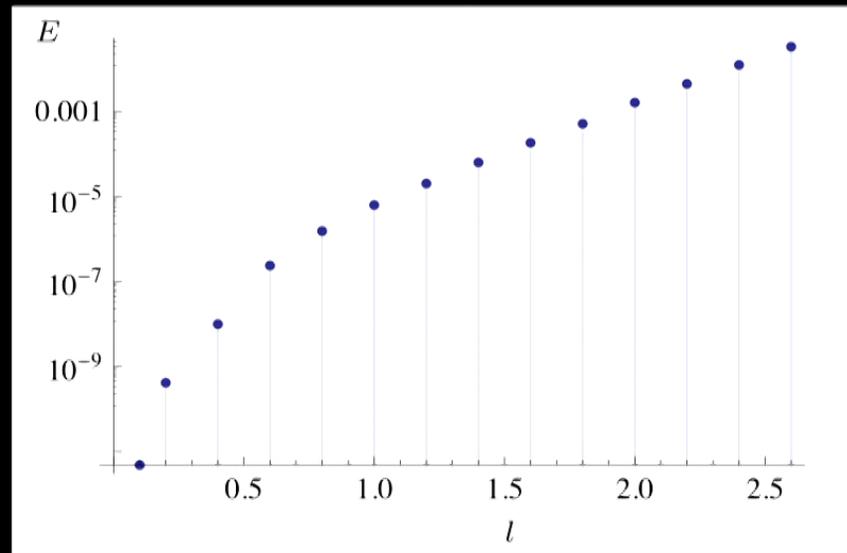
- Sub-Planckian detector  $\Omega \ll 12\pi G / l^3$

- Estimator to study sensitivity dependence on the quantum of length

$$E = \left\langle \frac{\langle \Delta P_e(T_0, T) \rangle_{\mathcal{T}}}{\langle P_e^{\text{GR}}(T_0, T) \rangle_{\mathcal{T}}} \right\rangle_{\Delta T} \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta T &= T - T_{\text{late}} \\ \Delta T, T_{\text{late}} &\gg l^3 / (12\pi G) \end{aligned}$$

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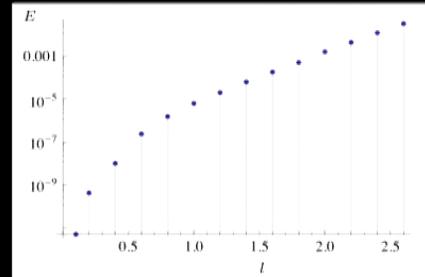


Exponential with the size of the spacetime quantum

- Cosmological observations could put stringent upper bounds to  $l$

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Sub-Planckian detector:

- Low Energy gap (as compared to the Planck scale)
- Observed nowadays (far from the Planck scale)
- Long Detection time (as compared to the Planck scale)

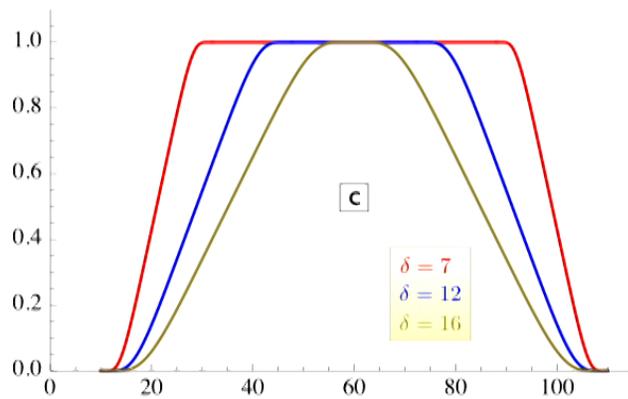
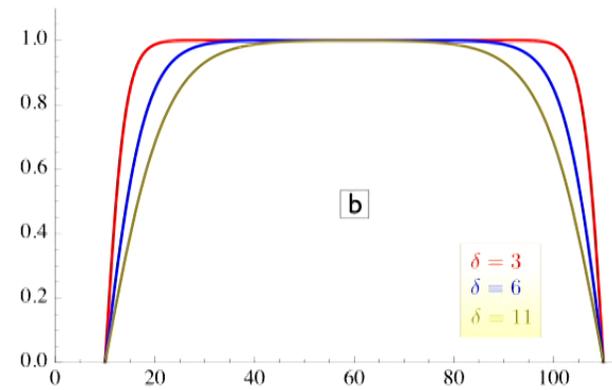
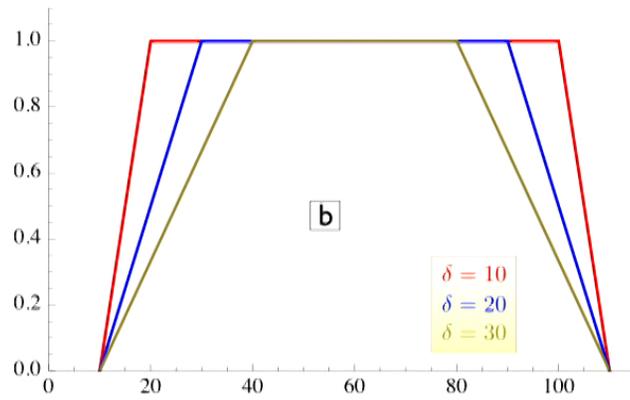
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Switching effects?

Suddenly switching a detector excites it!!

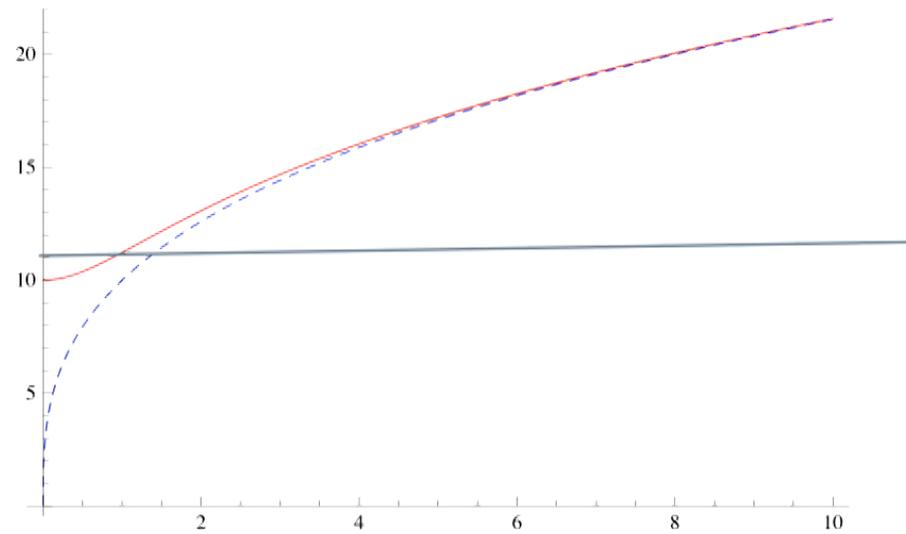
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Scenario 1: The detectors were switched on at a given total volume of the Universe



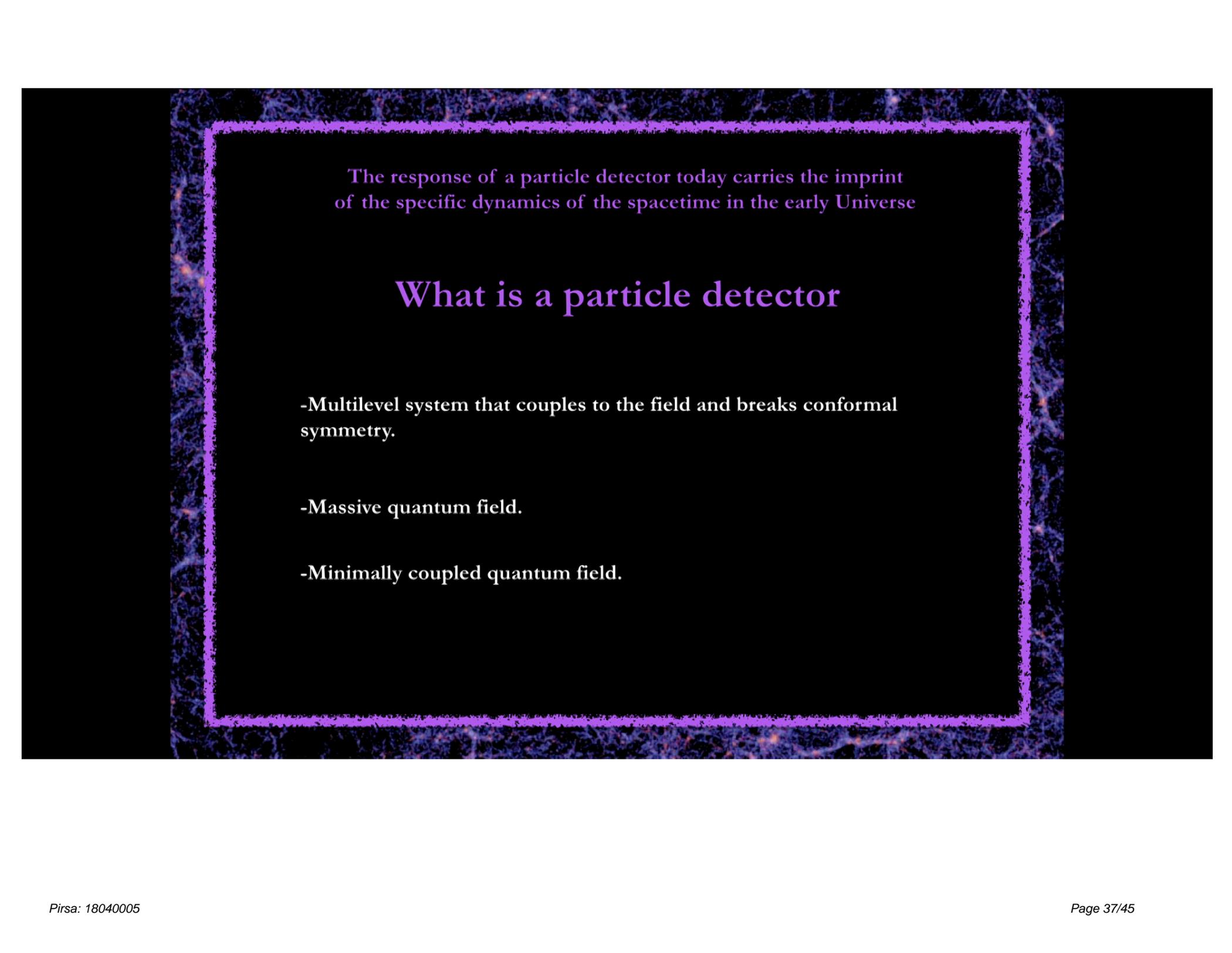
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### GR vs Post-Einsteinian gravity

- In the early universe there might not even be any notion of geometry
- There has to be an intermediate regime where we have effective (perturbed) Friedmann equations.
- Information about these corrections makes it all the way to nowadays in the noise spectrum of vacuum fluctuations and its recoverable at low energy.

The background of the slide is a Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) radiation map, showing a complex pattern of temperature fluctuations in shades of blue, purple, and red. A white rectangular border is superimposed on the map, framing the central text.

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## What is a particle detector

- Multilevel system that couples to the field and breaks conformal symmetry.
- Massive quantum field.
- Minimally coupled quantum field.

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## Decoherence mechanisms?

MOSTLY UNKNOWN

Quantum information impacted, not classical information!

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### Cosmological quantum entanglement

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# Conclusions



All events that generate light signals also generate timelike signals (not mediated by massless quanta exchange), that decay slower.



For a matter dominated universe we find that these signals do not decay with the spatial separation to the source. Temporal decay can be compensated by deploying a network of receivers inside the light-cone.



We particularize the discussion to a concrete channel as a mere example to illustrate the non-decaying behaviour of the information capacity.



Inflationary phenomena, early universe physics, primordial decouplings, etc, will also leave a timeline echo on top of the light signals that we receive from them.

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and the fact that the detectors are considered pointlike,  
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We can quickly evaluate the integral over  $d^3 \mathbf{k}$  that we  
will denote as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}(t, t', \mathbf{x}_\nu, \mathbf{x}_\eta) &= \int \frac{d^3 \mathbf{k}}{|\mathbf{k}|} e^{i[ (|\mathbf{k}| - \Omega)(t - t') - \mathbf{k} \cdot (\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta) ]} \\ &= \frac{4\pi e^{-i\Omega(t-t')}}{|\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta|} \int_0^\infty d|\mathbf{k}| e^{i|\mathbf{k}|(t-t')} \sin(|\mathbf{k}| |\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta|) \\ &= \frac{4\pi e^{-i\Omega(t-t')}}{|\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta|} \left( \frac{|\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta|}{|\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta|^2 - (t - t')^2} + \frac{i\pi}{2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times \left[ \delta(t - t' - |\mathbf{x}_\nu - \mathbf{x}_\eta|) - \delta(t - t' - |\mathbf{x}_\nu + \mathbf{x}_\eta|) \right] \right). \end{aligned} \quad (72)$$

Here we see explicitly how for the signalling terms (pro-  
portional to  $\lambda_A \lambda_B$ ), the rotating-wave approximation  
breaks causality: if we compare this expression with  
the commutator (29), we see that the result under the

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The top plot shows the error  $\mathcal{E}_{RW}$  on the y-axis (ranging from 0.0 to 1.5) versus  $L$  on the x-axis (ranging from 0 to 20). A blue curve rises to a peak of approximately 1.8 at  $L \approx 2.5$  and then decays towards zero. Two vertical dashed red lines are drawn at  $L \approx 1.5$  and  $L \approx 3.5$ .

The bottom plot shows the error  $\mathcal{E}_{RW}$  on a logarithmic y-axis (ranging from  $10^{-5}$  to  $10^{-1}$ ) versus  $L$  on the x-axis (ranging from 0 to 20). The error decreases rapidly from  $10^{-1}$  at  $L=0$  to approximately  $10^{-5}$  at  $L=20$ .

$$\mathcal{E}_{RW} = \frac{1}{2} \left| \int_{T+\Delta}^{2T+\Delta} du \int_{-u}^{u-2T} \dots \right.$$

$$+ \int_{2T+\Delta}^{3T+\Delta} du \int_{u-4T}^{\dots} \dots$$

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which maps the integral to

$$\mathcal{E}_{RW} = \frac{1}{2} \left| \int_{T+\Delta}^{2T+\Delta} du \int_{-u}^{u-2} + \int_{2T+\Delta}^{3T+\Delta} du \int_{u-4T}^{-u-} \right.$$

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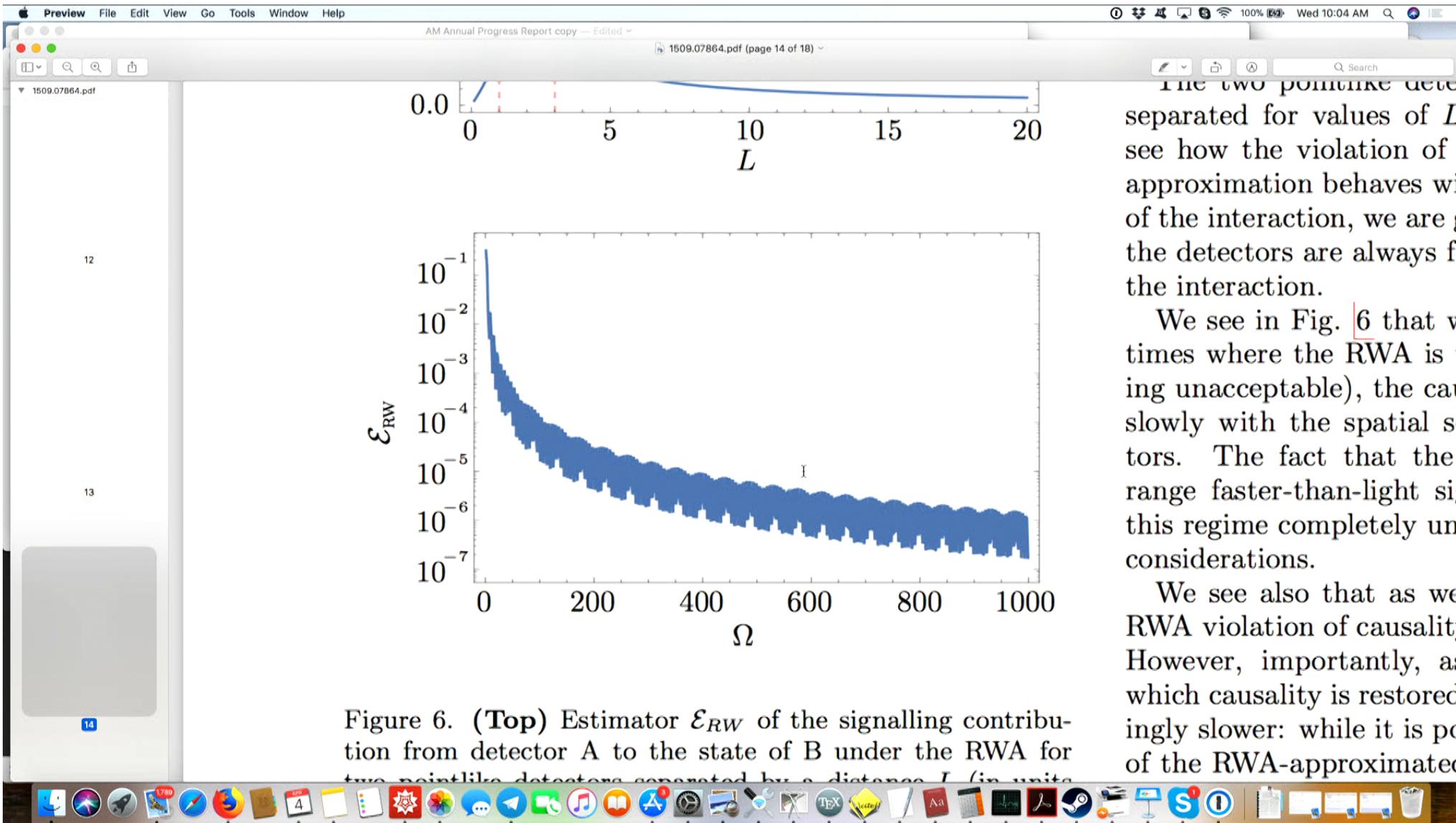


Figure 6. (Top) Estimator  $\mathcal{E}_{RW}$  of the signalling contribution from detector A to the state of B under the RWA for two pointlike detectors separated by a distance  $L$  (in units

The two pointlike detectors are separated for values of  $L$  (see how the violation of the approximation behaves with respect to the interaction, we are going to see that the detectors are always faster than the interaction).

We see in Fig. 6 that sometimes where the RWA is not working (being unacceptable), the causality is restored slowly with the spatial separation of the detectors. The fact that the interaction range is faster-than-light signals that this regime is completely unphysical under these considerations.

We see also that as we increase the interaction strength, the RWA violation of causality becomes more significant. However, importantly, as the interaction strength increases, the violation becomes increasingly slower: while it is possible to have a violation of the RWA-approximation