

Black hole collisions in higher dimensional spacetimes

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Outline

1 Motivation

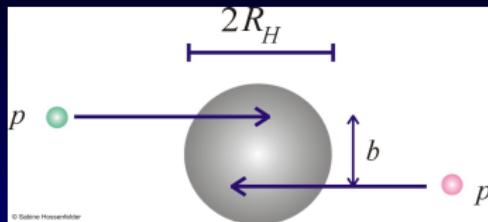
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High Energy Collision of Particles

- above the Planck scale:
gravity is dominant interaction
 \Rightarrow classical description

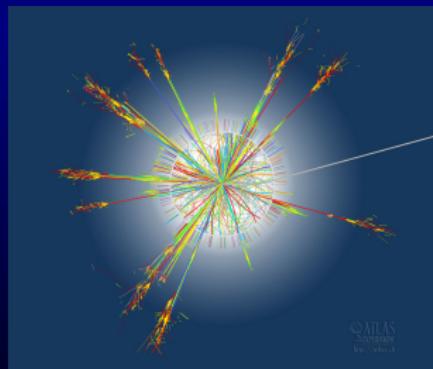
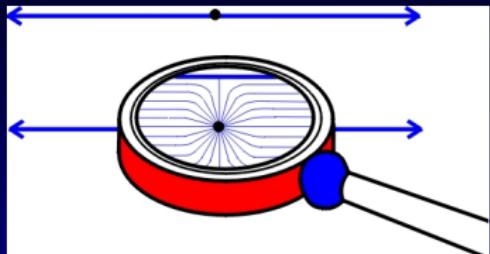


Consider particle collisions with $E = 2\gamma m_0 c^2 > M_{Pl}$

- Hoop - Conjecture (Thorne '72)
 \Rightarrow black hole formation, if circumference of particle $< 2\pi r_s$
 - Collisions of shock waves (Penrose '74, Eardley & Giddings '02)
 \Rightarrow black hole formation if $b \leq r_s$
 - numerical evidence in ultra relativistic collision of boson stars
(Choptuik & Pretorius '10)
 \Rightarrow black hole formation if boost $\gamma_c \geq 2.9$
- \Rightarrow black hole formation in high energy collisions of particles

TeV gravity

- in $D = 4$:
 $m_{EW} \sim 10^3 \text{ GeV}$, $M_{Pl} \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$
 \Rightarrow "hierarchy problem"



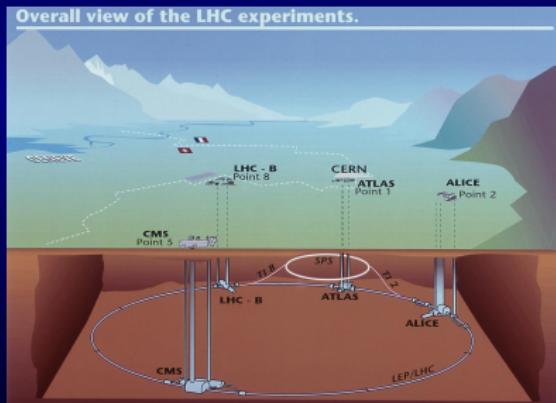
- higher dimensional theories of gravity
 - large extra dimensions
(Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos & Dvali '98, Dvali, Gabadadze & Porrati '00)
 - warped extra dimensions
(Randall & Sundrum '99)
- in $D > 4$: lowering of Planck scale
 $\Rightarrow M_{Pl} \sim \text{TeV}$

TeV gravity

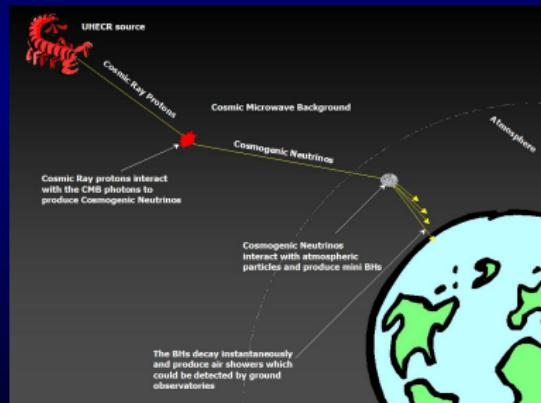
TeV gravity scenarios

⇒ signatures of black hole production in high energy collision of particles

- at the Large Hadron Collider
- in Cosmic Rays interactions

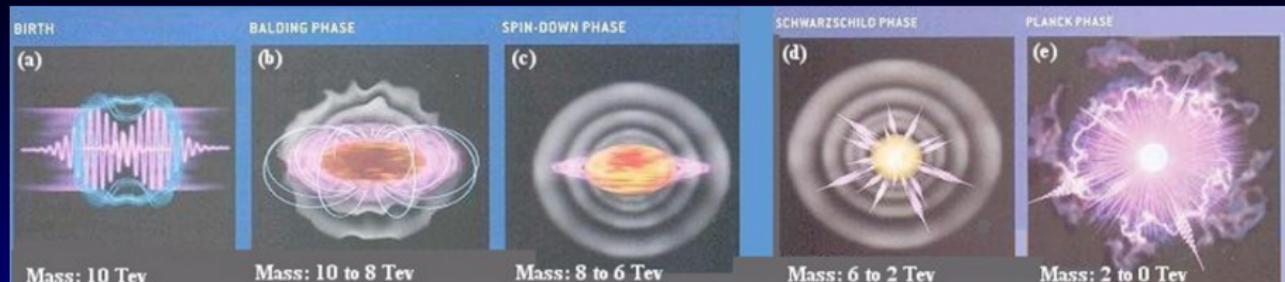


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<http://www.phy.olemiss.edu/GR/>

Life cycle of Mini Black Holes



① Formation

- lower bound on BH mass from area theorem (Yoshino & Nambu '02)

② Balding phase: end state is Myers-Perry black hole

③ Spindown phase: loss of angular momentum and mass

④ Schwarzschild phase: decay via Hawking radiation

⑤ Planck phase: $M \sim M_{Pl}$

Goal: more precise understanding of black hole formation

\Rightarrow compute mass and spin of final black hole

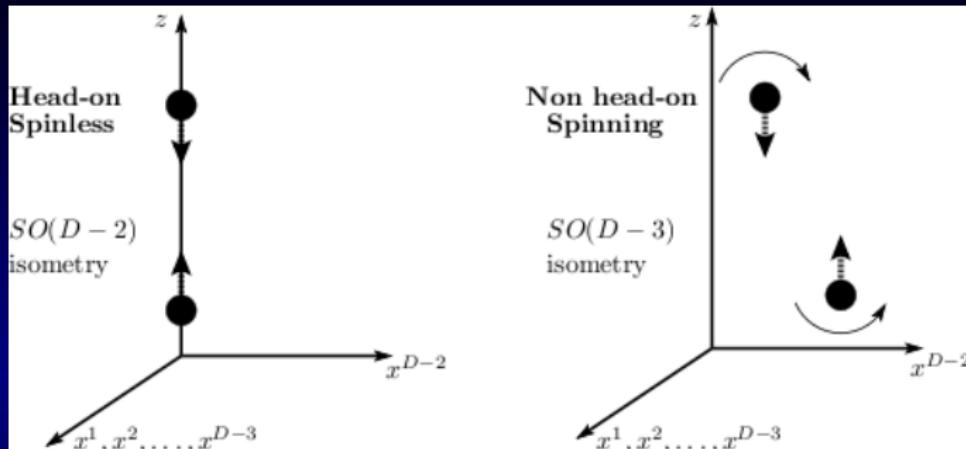
\Rightarrow input to event generators (TRUENOIR, Catfish, BlackMax, Charybdis2)

Toy model: black hole collisions in higher dimensions

Numerical Relativity in $D > 4$ Dimensions

- Yoshino & Shibata, Phys. Rev. **D80**, 2009,
Shibata & Yoshino, Phys. Rev. **D81**, 2010
- Okawa, Nakao & Shibata, Phys. Rev. **83**, 2011
- Lehner & Pretorius, Phys. Rev. Lett. **105**, 2010
- Sorkin & Choptuik, GRG **42**, 2010; Sorkin, Phys. Rev. **D81**, 2010
- Zilhão et al., Phys. Rev. **D 81**, 2010,
Witek et al, Phys. Rev. **D82**, 2010.

Numerical Relativity in D Dimensions



- consider highly symmetric problems
- dimensional reduction by isometry on a (D-4)-sphere

general metric element

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + \lambda(x^\mu) d\Omega_{D-4}$$

Numerical Relativity in D Dimensions

D dimensional vacuum Einstein equations $G_{AB} = R_{AB} - \frac{1}{2}g_{AB}R = 0$ imply

$$\begin{aligned}(4)T_{\mu\nu} &= \frac{D-4}{16\pi\lambda} \left[\nabla_\mu \partial_\nu \lambda - \frac{1}{2\lambda} \partial_\mu \lambda \partial_\nu \lambda - (D-5)g_{\mu\nu} + \frac{D-5}{4\lambda} g_{\mu\nu} \partial_\alpha \lambda \partial^\alpha \lambda \right], \\ \nabla^\mu \nabla_\mu \lambda &= 2(D-5) - \frac{D-6}{2\lambda} \partial^\mu \lambda \partial_\mu \lambda\end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow 4D Einstein equations coupled to scalar field

\Rightarrow different higher dimensions manifest in scalar field

Formulation of EEs as Cauchy Problem in $D > 4$

- 3+1 split of spacetime ${}^{(4)}\mathcal{M} = \mathbb{R} + {}^{(3)}\Sigma$ (Arnowitt, Deser, Misner '62)
 $ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu}dx^\mu dx^\nu = (-\alpha^2 + \beta_k \beta^k) dt^2 + 2\beta_i dx^i dt + \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$
- 3+1 split of 4D Einstein equations with source terms
⇒ Formulation as initial value problem with constraints (York 1979)

Evolution Equations

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \gamma_{ij} &= -2\alpha K_{ij} + \mathcal{L}_\beta \gamma_{ij} \\ \partial_t K_{ij} &= -D_i D_j \alpha + \alpha \left({}^{(3)}R_{ij} - 2K_{il} K_j^l + K K_{ij} \right) + \mathcal{L}_\beta K_{ij} \\ &\quad - \alpha \frac{D-4}{2\lambda} \left(D_i D_j \lambda - 2K_{ij} K_\lambda - \frac{1}{2\lambda} \partial_i \lambda \partial_j \lambda \right) \\ \partial_t \lambda &= -2\alpha K_\lambda + \mathcal{L}_\beta \lambda \\ \partial_t K_\lambda &= -\frac{1}{2} \partial^l \alpha \partial_l \lambda + \alpha \left((D-5) + K K_\lambda + \frac{D-6}{\lambda} K_\lambda^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{D-6}{4\lambda} \partial^l \lambda \partial_l \lambda - \frac{1}{2} D^l D_l \lambda \right) + \mathcal{L}_\beta K_\lambda\end{aligned}$$

Wave Extraction in $D > 4$

Generalization of Regge-Wheeler-Zerilli formalism by Kodama & Ishibashi '03

Master function

$$\Phi_{,t} = (D-2)r^{(D-4)/2} \frac{2rF_{,t} - F_t^r}{k^2 - D + 2 + \frac{(D-2)(D-1)}{2} \frac{r_S^{D-3}}{r^{D-3}}} , \quad k = l(l+D-3)$$

Energy flux & radiated energy

$$\frac{dE_l}{dt} = \frac{(D-3)k^2(k^2 - D + 2)}{32\pi(D-2)} (\Phi_{,t}^l)^2 , \quad E = \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \frac{dE_l}{dt}$$

Momentum flux & recoil velocity

$$\frac{dP^i}{dt} = \int_{S_\infty} d\Omega \frac{d^2 E}{dt d\Omega} n^i , \quad v_{recoil} = \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \frac{dP}{dt} \right|$$

Numerical Setup

- use Sperhake's extended LEAN code (Sperhake '07, Zilhão et al '10)
 - 3+1 Einstein equations with scalar field
 - Baumgarte-Shapiro-Shibata-Nakamura formulation with moving puncture approach
 - dynamical variables: $\chi, \tilde{\gamma}_{ij}, K, \tilde{A}_{ij}, \tilde{\Gamma}^i, \zeta, K_\zeta$
 - modified puncture gauge

$$\begin{aligned}\partial_t \alpha &= \beta^k \partial_k \alpha - 2\alpha(\eta_K K + \eta_{K_\zeta} K_\zeta) \\ \partial_t \beta^i &= \beta^k \partial_k \beta^i - \eta_\beta \beta^i + \eta_{\Gamma} \tilde{\Gamma}^i - \eta_\lambda \frac{D-4}{2\zeta} \tilde{\gamma}^{ij} \partial_j \zeta\end{aligned}$$

- Brill-Lindquist type initial data

$$\psi = 1 + r_{S,1}^{D-3}/4r_1^{D-3} + r_{S,2}^{D-3}/4r_2^{D-3}$$

- measure lengths in terms of r_S with

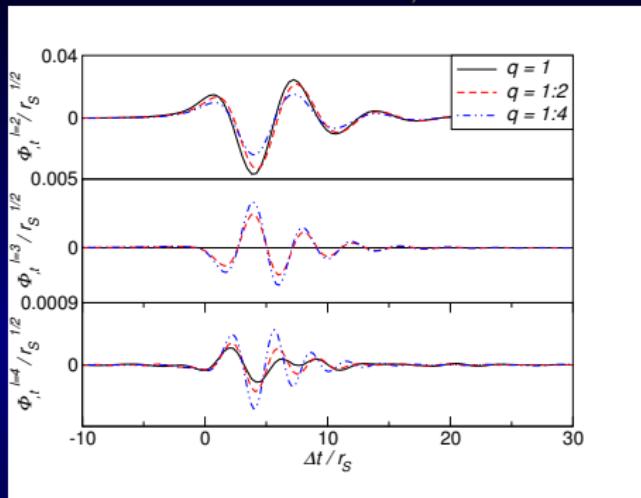
$$r_S^{D-3} = \frac{16\pi}{(D-2)A^{S^{D-2}}} M$$

Unequal mass head-on
in $D = 5$ dimensions

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Unequal mass head-on in $D = 5$

Modes of $\Phi_{,t}$

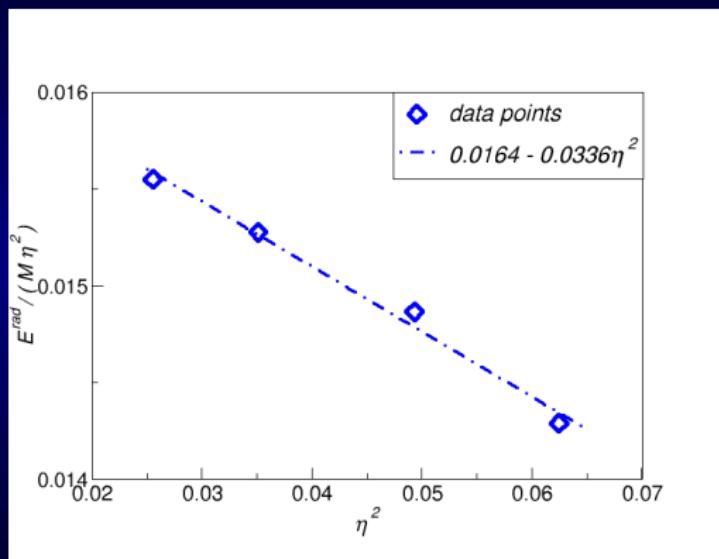


- consider mass ratios

$$q = r_{S,1}^{D-3}/r_{S,2}^{D-3} = 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}$$

q	$E/M(\%)$	$E_{l=2}(\%)$	$E_{l=3}(\%)$	$E_{l=4}(\%)$
1/1	0.089	99.9	0.0	0.1
1/2	0.073	97.7	2.2	0.1
1/3	0.054	94.8	4.8	0.4
1/4	0.040	92.4	7.0	0.6

Unequal mass head-on in $D = 5$ - radiated energy



- $E/M \sim \eta^2$
(M.Lemos '10, MSc thesis,
<http://blackholes.ist.utl.pt/>)
- fitting function
- within < 1% agreement with
point particle calculation
(Berti et al, 2010)

$$\frac{E}{M\eta^2} = 0.0164 - 0.0336\eta^2,$$

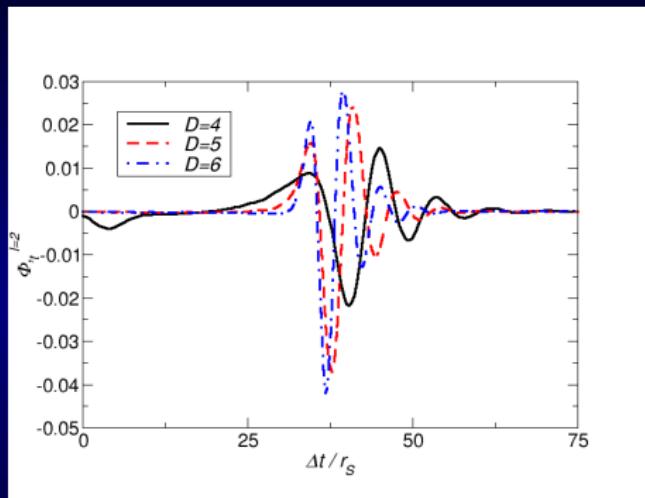
Equal mass head-on

in $D = 4, 5, 6$ dimensions

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work in progress

Equal mass head-on in $D = 6$ (preliminary results)

The good news is: We can do it !!!



- Key (technical) issues:
 - modification of gauge conditions
 - modification of formulation
- increase in E/M with D
⇒ qualitative agreement with PP calculations
(Berti et al, 2010)

D	$r_s \omega(l=2)$	$E/M(\%)$
4	$0.7473 - i0.1779$	0.055
5	$0.9477 - i0.2561$	0.089
6	$1.140 - i0.304$	0.097 ¹

¹preliminary

Head-on collisions of boosted black holes

Zilhão et al (work in progress)

Initial data for boosted BHs in $D > 4$ (Zilhão et al)

- construct initial data by solving the constraints
- D -dimensional metric element

$$ds^2 = -\alpha^2 dt^2 + \bar{\gamma}_{ab} (dx^a + \beta^a dt) (dx^b + \beta^b dt)$$

- assumption: $\bar{\gamma}_{ab} = \psi^{\frac{4}{D-3}} \delta_{ab}$, $\bar{K} = 0$, $\bar{K}_{ab} = \psi^{-2} \hat{A}_{ab}$
- constraint equations

$$\partial_a \hat{A}^{ab} = 0, \quad \hat{\Delta} \psi + \frac{D-3}{4(D-2)} \psi^{-\frac{3D-5}{D-3}} \hat{A}^{ab} \hat{A}_{ab} = 0, \quad \text{with } \hat{\Delta} \equiv \partial_a \partial^a$$

- analytic ansatz for $\hat{A}_{ab} \rightarrow$ generalization of Bowen-York type initial data
- elliptic equation for $\psi \rightarrow$ puncture method (Brandt & Brügmann '97)

$$\psi = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{\mu(i)}{4r_{(i)}^{D-3}} + u$$

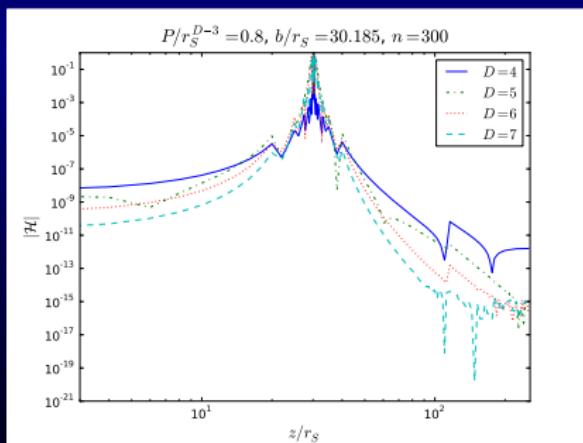
\Rightarrow Hamiltonian constraint becomes

$$\hat{\Delta} u + \frac{D-3}{4(D-2)} \hat{A}^{ab} \hat{A}_{ab} \psi^{-\frac{3D-5}{D-3}} = 0$$

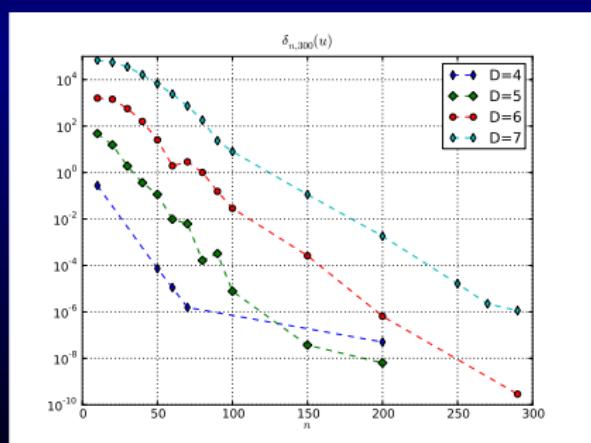
Initial data for boosted BHs in $D > 4$ - Results

- extension of the TWO PUNCTURES pseudo-spectral solver
(M. Ansorg et al, '04)
- initial data for punctures at $z/r_S = \pm 30.185$ with $P/r_S^{D-3} = 0.8$

Hamiltonian constraint

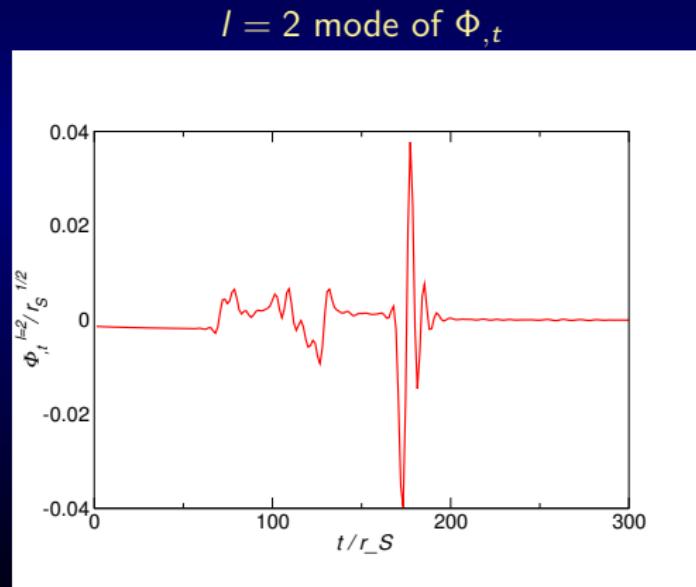


Convergence analysis



Head-on of boosted BHs in $D = 5$ (preliminary results)

- evolution of puncture with $z/r_S = \pm 30.185$ with $P/r_S^{D-3} = 0.4$



Conclusions and Outlook

- consider highly symmetric (black hole) spacetimes
- dimensional reduction by isometry
⇒ formulation of D dimensional vacuum Einstein's equations as a scalar-tensor field theory in $D = 4$
- evolution of unequal mass head-on collisions in $D = 5$ with $q = 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}$
⇒ extrapolation to PP limit shows good agreement with PP calculations
- evolution of equal mass head-ons in $D = 4, 5, 6$
- evolution of boosted BHs in $D = 5$
- ToDo:
 - numerical simulations of black hole collisions in $D \geq 7$
 - high energy collisions of BHs in $D \geq 5$
 - ...

Thank you!

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