

today, 4 May

input:

the problems.

output:

final exam, experiment paper, course reviews

the modern families

back to "elementary"

$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$
 "quarks"

$$egin{pmatrix}
u_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} egin{pmatrix}
u_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}$$
 "leptons"

 γ "Gauge Boson"

1974: At Stanford and Brookhaven National Lab: new quark: "charm," c.

quarks
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$



force propagators γ

leptons
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix}$$

this lasted 1 years

1975: At Stanford new lepton: "tau," τ .

quarks
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix}$$

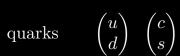


force propagators γ , g

leptons
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau \end{pmatrix}$$

this lasted 0 years

1975: At Stanford new force carrier: "gluon," g.





leptons $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau \end{pmatrix}$

force propagators γ

this lasted 3 years

1978: At at Fermilab: new quark: "bottom," b.

quarks
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

force propagators γ , g

leptons
$$\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau \end{pmatrix}$$

this lasted 8 years

the modern quark families back to "elementary"

1983: At CERN two new force carriers: W and Z bosons - precisely predicted

quarks
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b \end{pmatrix}$$
 force propagators $\gamma, \ g, W, \ Z$ leptons $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau \end{pmatrix}$ this lasted 11 years

1994: At at Fermilab: new quark: "top," t.

quarks
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ v \end{pmatrix}$$
 force propagators $\gamma,\ g,\ W,\ Z$ leptons $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tau \end{pmatrix}$ this lasted 6 years

2000: At Fermilab, finally the v_r lepton was found

quarks
$$\begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c \\ s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$
 force propagators γ, g, W, Z leptons $\begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\mu \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \nu_\tau \\ \nu_\tau \end{pmatrix}$

Mmmm, Mmmm Good....





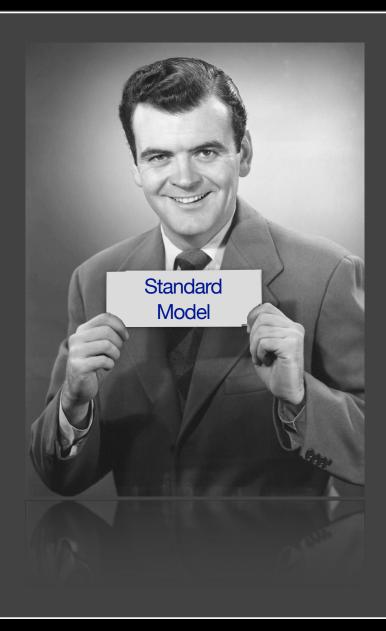
so, keep the magnet in mind

lower the temperature, create:

a phase transition

a lowered ground state energy

a spin zero, coherent excitation quantum state





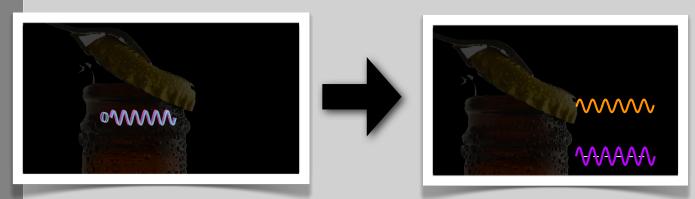
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so, there were definite predictions of Weinberg's model

- 1. The W Boson should exist
- 2. The Z Boson should exist

Many physics reactions relate M_w to M_Z

3. The Z Boson and the γ are intimately related



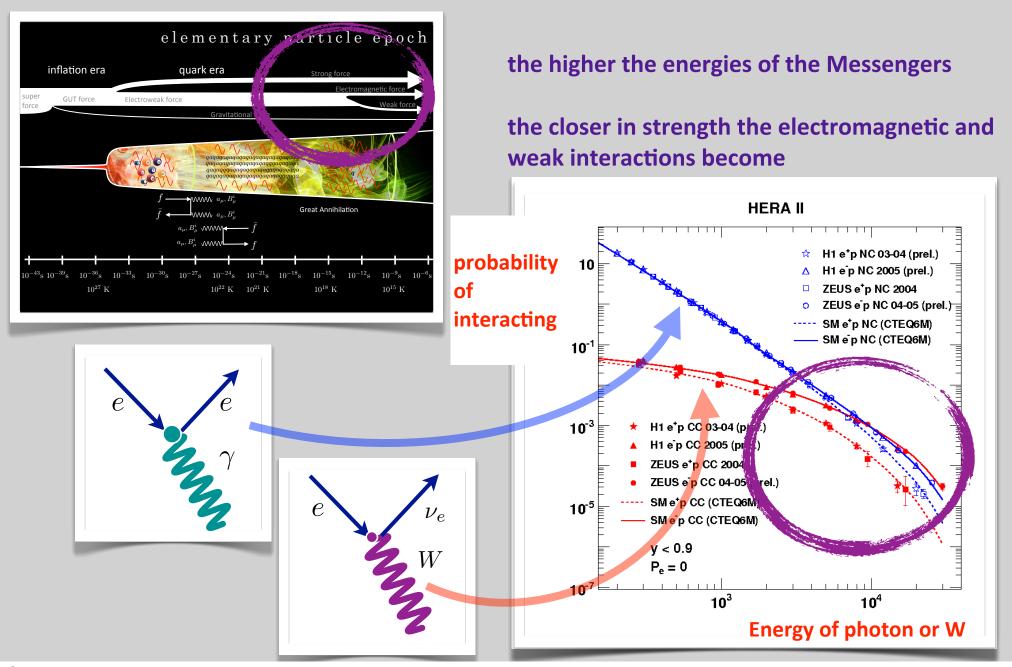
4. The Higgs Boson should exist

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particle:	W Boson	
	symbol:	W
	charge:	±1 <i>e</i>
	mass:	$80.399 \pm 0.023 \text{ GeV/c}^2 = 80.4 \text{ p}$
	spin:	1
	category:	weak Vector Boson

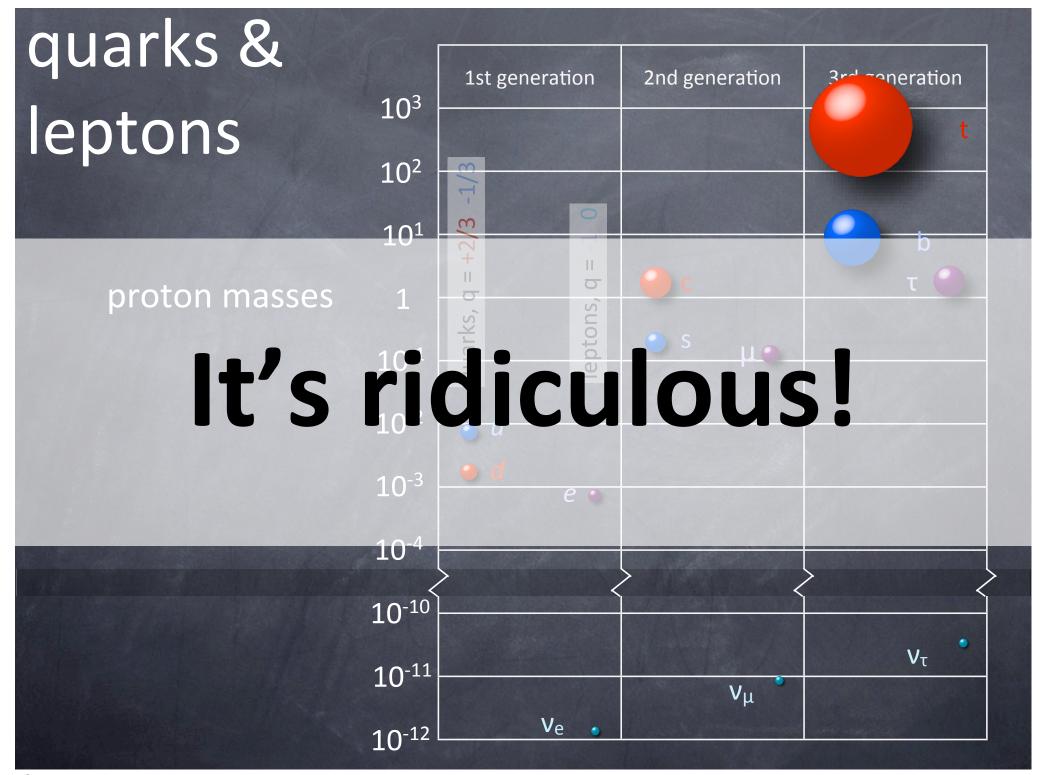
particle:	Z Boson	
	symbol:	Z
	charge:	0
	mass:	91.1876 ± 0.0021 GeV/c ² = 91.2 p
	spin:	1
	category:	weak Vector Boson

yup. unify



particle:	bottom quark	
	symbol:	b
	charge:	-1/3 e
	mass:	$4.5 \text{ GeV/c}^2 = 4.5 \text{ p}$
	spin:	1/2
	category:	Fermion, quark

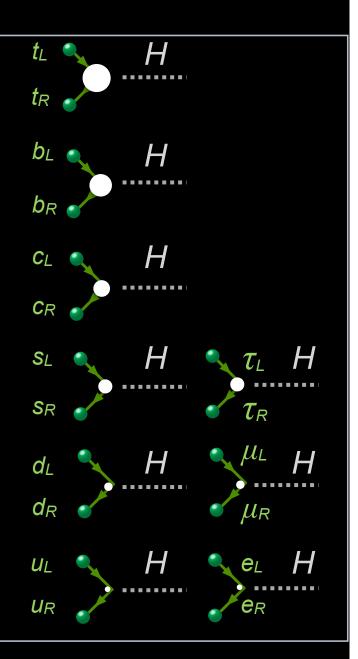
particle:	top quark	
	symbol:	t
	charge:	+2/3 e
	mass:	172.0±2.2 GeV/c² = 172 p
	spin:	1/2
	category:	Fermion, quark



this particle is strange

quantum numbers of the vacuum

distinguishes top, from bottom, from charm, from strange, etc.





a Higgs boson would be a chip of the vacuum.





The Higgs Boson is not just another particle.

there are embarrassments, incl. the Higgs blows up

95% of the universe is missing

we're off by 10¹²⁰ in energy of vacuum

otherwise, things are great







problem #1

Where is the Higgs Boson?

Remember, the Higgs Boson couples to the mass of Fermions

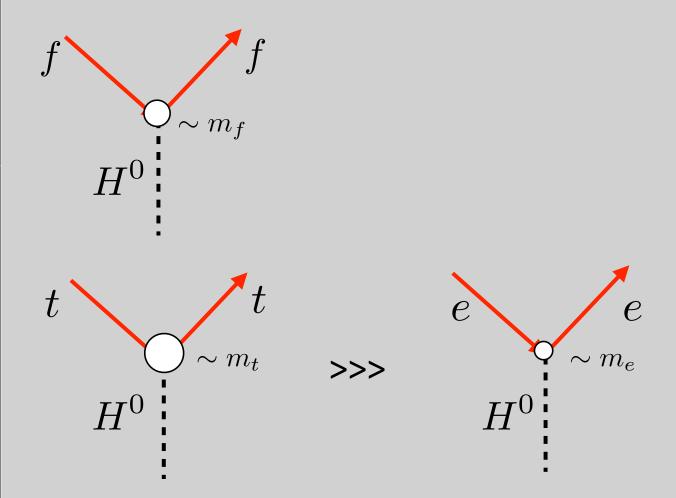
the Higgs Boson has to exist

1. if we find it, that's great!

SM is a "part of the truth"

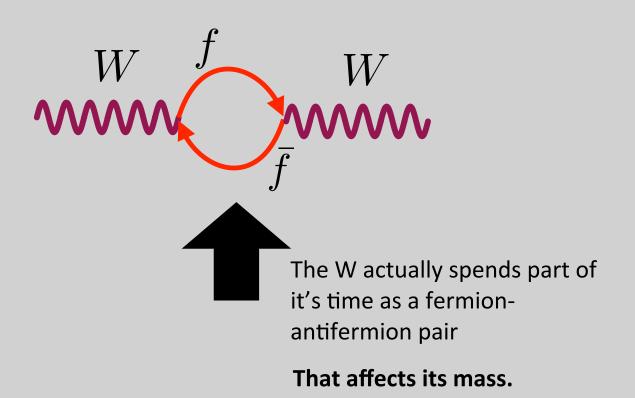
2. if we don't find it, that's great!

some seriously interesting new physics

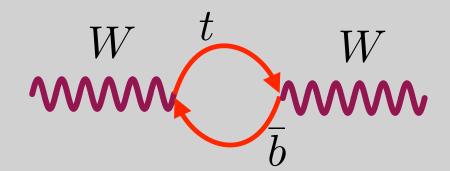


So, look for Higgs to decay into the heaviest thing it can!

loops help to pin it down remember the loops for messengers and fermions



So...sometimes:



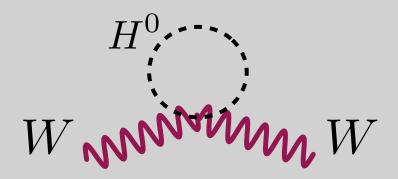
Rules of relativistic quantum field theory say that

 M_W depends on the value of $\,m_t$

there are Higgs Boson loops also



another loop for the W and now Higgs:



Rules of relativistic quantum field theory say that

 M_W depends on the value of $\,M_H$

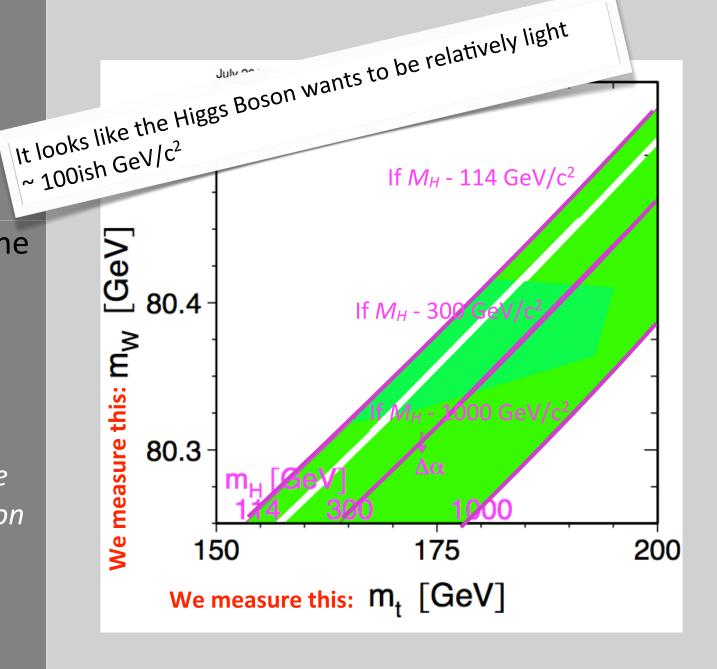


calculate the effects
of the loops on the masses of:

W boson

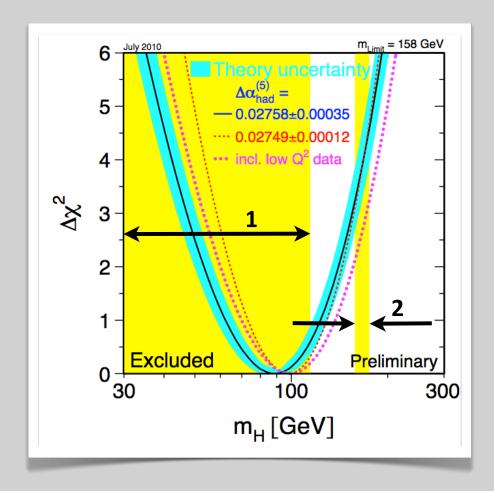
top quark

as a function of the mass of Higgs Boson



but it's not! that's why we're excited

Predict the Higgs Boson Mass:



Higgs Boson mass: should be something like 100-120ish GeV/c²

But, our direct searches for it mean that it's not:

in region 1 nor in region 2.

so, the Higgs Boson

is starting to be nearly missing-in-action

it will be found within 2 years at either Fermilab or LHC

period.

or not.

problem #2

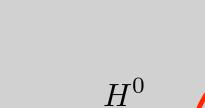
infinities: The Standard Model is sick.

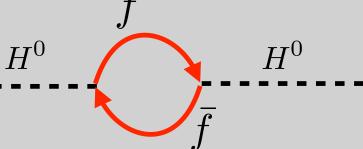
Suppose it is found...

that's great!

But, now our troubles really begin.

loops again.

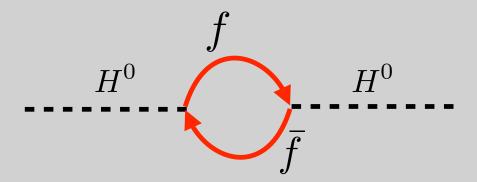


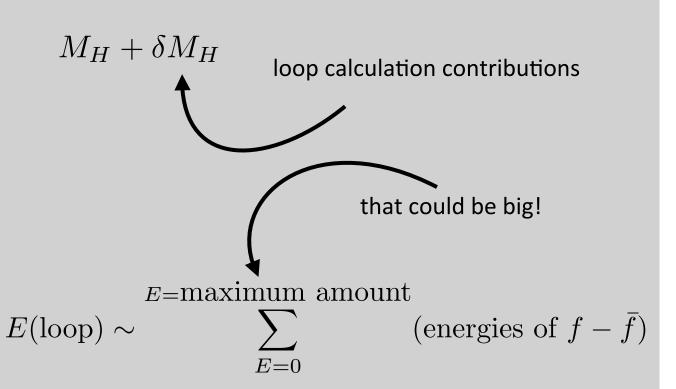




win-win? or lose-lose?

here's how loops work the calculations require that you add up all possible energies of the particle in the loop





what is the highest energy conceivable? gotta mix gravity with quantum mechanics.

Take the most violent gravitational bound:

the Schwarzchild radius

Take the most violent quantum mechanical bound:

the Compton wavelength

Relate them!

This would be the about the distance at which gravity needs to become quantum mechanical.

Said another way:

any length smaller and there is no theory that will work. None until there is a quantum mechanics of General Relativity.

$$R_S = \frac{2Gm}{c^2} \longleftrightarrow \lambda_C = \frac{h}{mc}$$

$$\frac{2Gm}{c^2} = \frac{h}{mc}$$

there are limits fundamental.

limits.

to our theories

Called the "Planck Mass"...has all of the fundamental constants of our theories:

h: quantum mechanics

c: special relativity

G: gravity

$$M_P \sim 10^{19} \text{ GeV/c}^2 \longrightarrow E_P \sim 10^{19} \text{GeV}$$

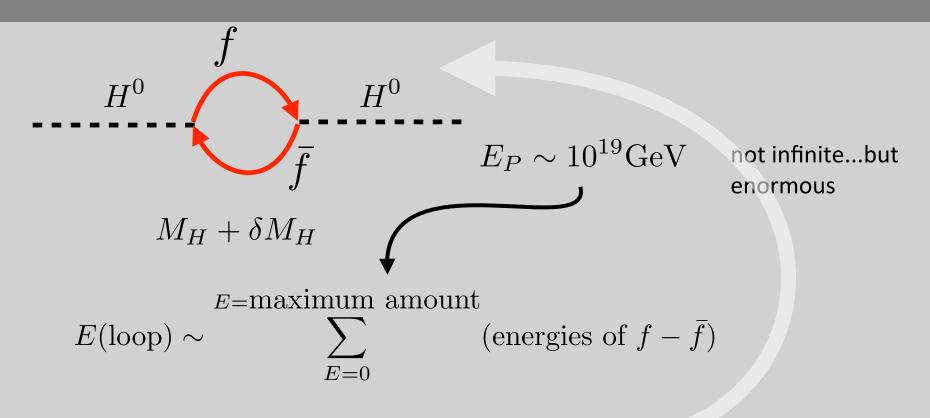
an aside
this corresponds to
the shortest length
possible

$$\ell_P = \sqrt{\frac{2hG}{c^3}}$$

The Planck Length...we cannot know anything smaller than that with current theories.

$$\ell_P \sim 10^{-35} \; {\rm m}$$

the Planck scale



 H^0 H^0

same thing as

...but contributes with opposite sign

could cancel! but more fermions than bosons

$$M_H + \delta M_H \sim M_H + E_{\text{(all fermions)}} - E_{\text{(all bosons)}}$$

desperately seeking SUSY there's a theoretical dream

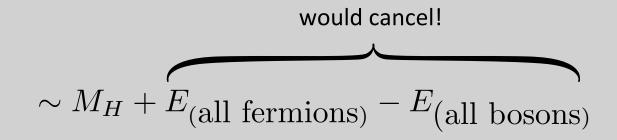
which may turn out to be true!

A new spacetime symmetry was theoretically "discovered" in the 1970's

"Supersymmetry"... "SUSY" – spin is the key parameter.

SUSY:

So: # fermions = # bosons



well motivated supersymmetry must be "broken" at our epoch

since we don't see any supersymmetric particles

YET

Whole new set of particles to study:

(add an "s" to get their names...)

known fermion

electron quark top

SUSY

IF TRUE:

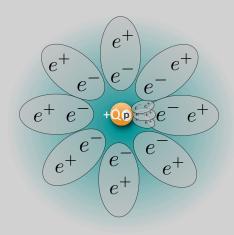
leads to a whole new set of particles to be found

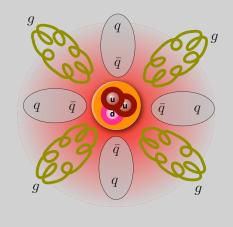
SUSY is a broken symmetry,

so the masses of sparticles must be higher than particles

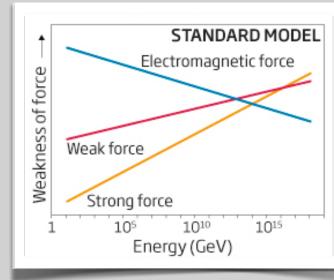
Object of intense study by all experiments

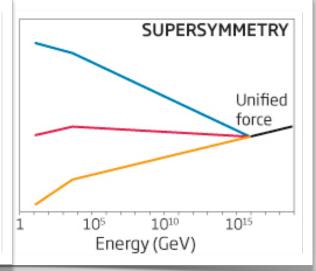
SUSY offers a solution to unification of forces





electromagnetic force changes as we probe deeper force changes as we probe deeper...the opposite way!





taken very seriously, otherwise the SM has serious problems

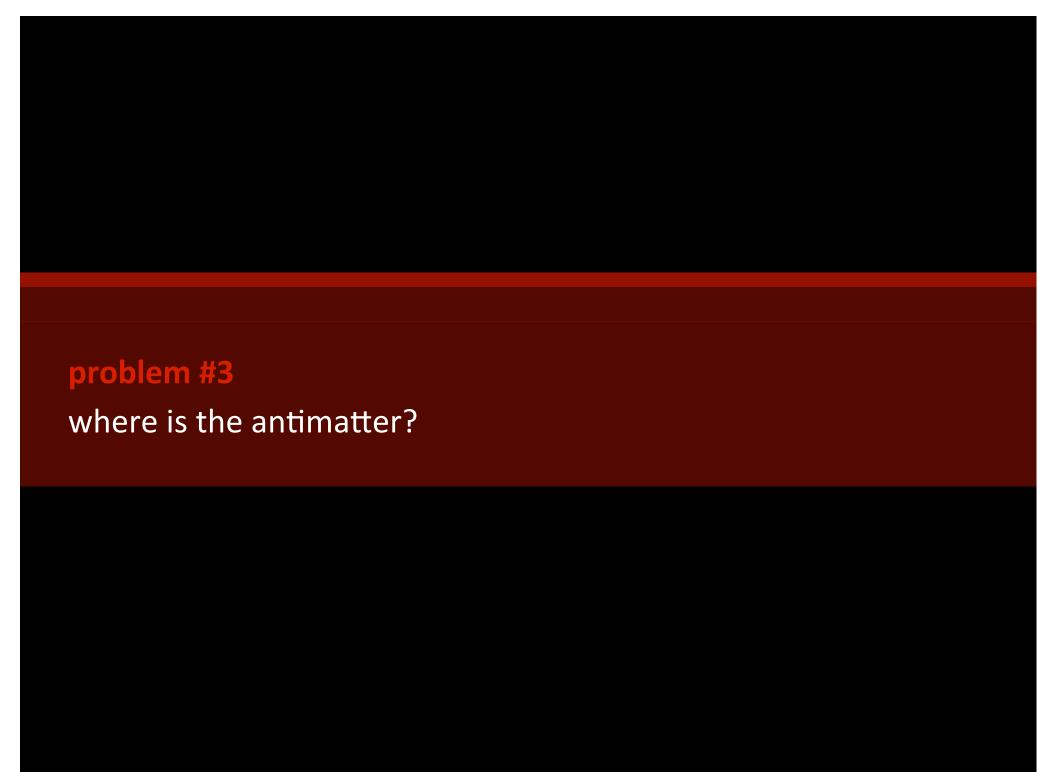
it's sick and in need of a theoretical and experimental cure

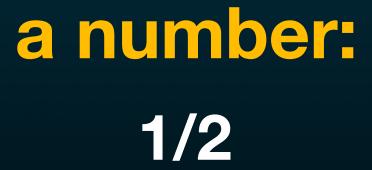
is it SUSY?

we don't know...but we're searching

If Higgs Boson is composite - made of other things...that helps

we don't know...but we're searching







the antimatter is missing.

either:

the universe created with only matter

or:

the antimatter disappeared

a number:

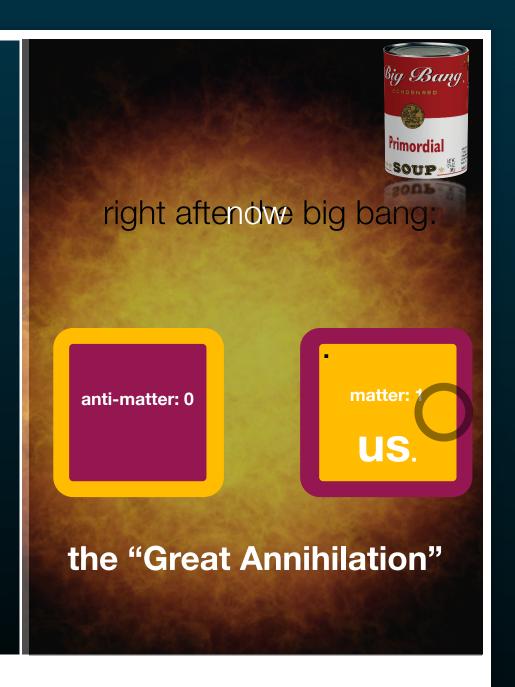
1 out of 10,000,000,000

to match what we see:

proportional excess of matter over antimatter

I mean, what are the odds?

this is what we observe



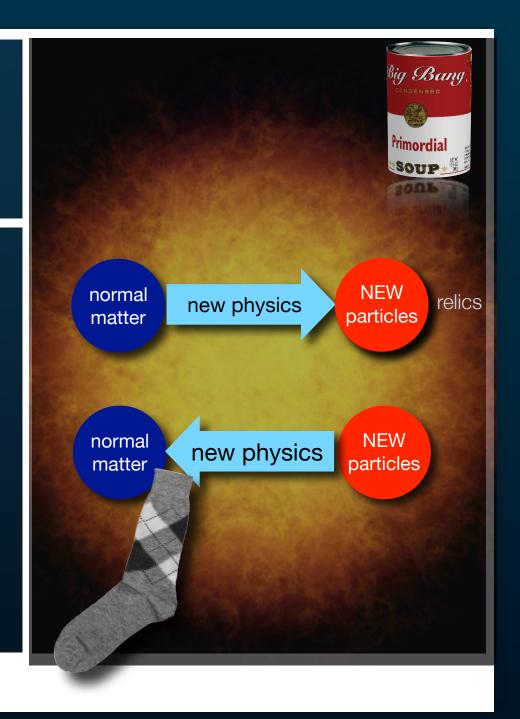
why? Dunno.

best explanation?

new particles that behave asymmetrically?

theories abound

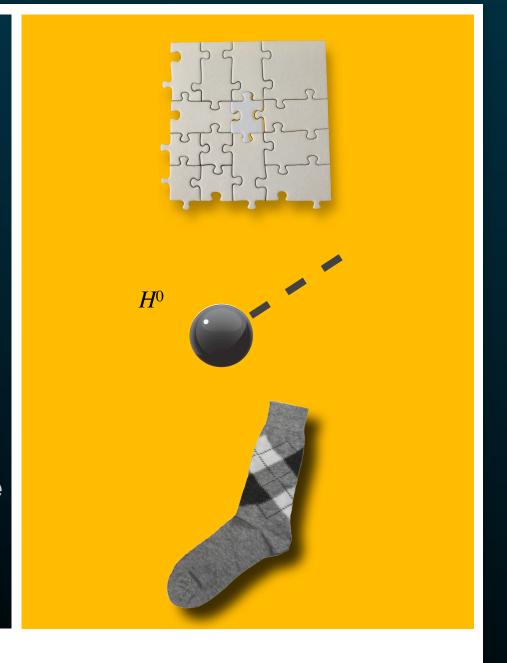
theories are cheap. testing them is not!



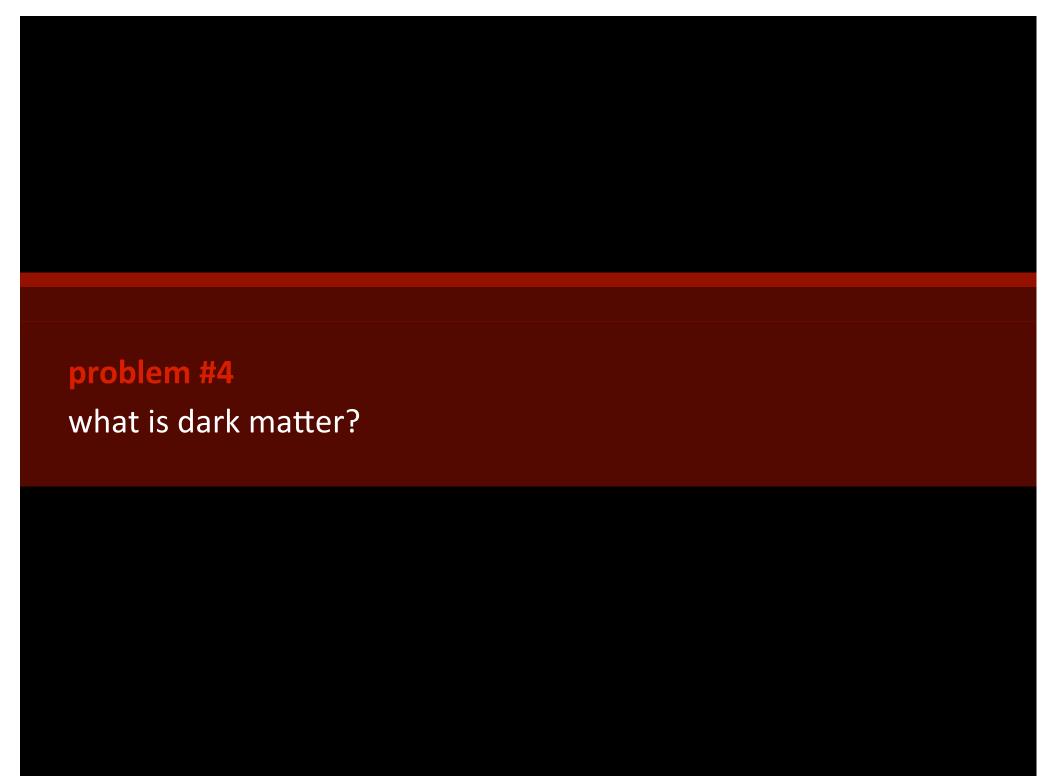
ideas for particles that:

fix the Standard Model require the Higgs Boson fix the antimatter problem

- account for "dark matter
- unify the 4 forces of nature
- lead to extra dimensions







There are two kinds of solutions astrophysical particles

Astrophysical solutions involve:

neutron stars universe is too young to enough black holes universe is too young to enough black dwarf stars universe is too young to enough brown dwarf stars not seen near us planets not seen near us rocks universe is too young to enough universe is too

particle physics solutions involve:

massive neutrinos no evidence - mass is tiny

WIMPs no evidence yet

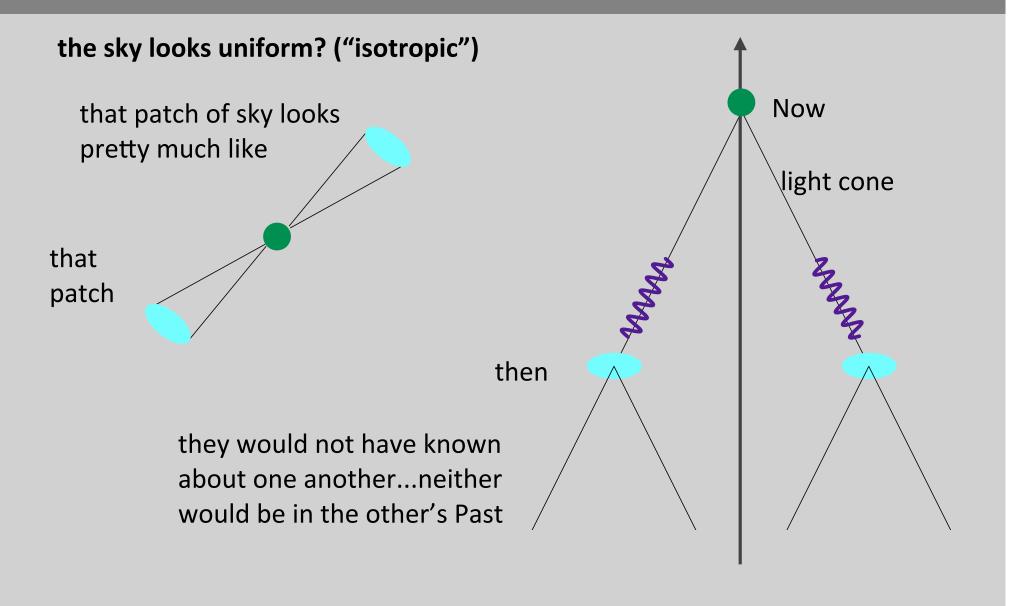
cosmic strings zero evidence, nor idea of how to find

some different GR huh?

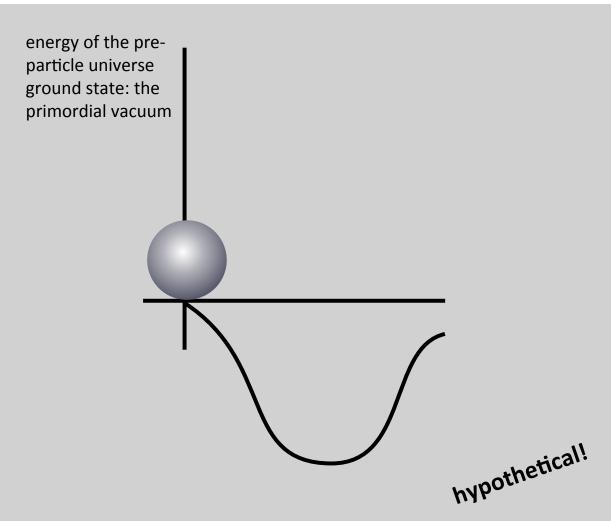
problem #5

the flatness problem. the horizon problem.

but wait...how come



another phase transition the mother of all phase transitions

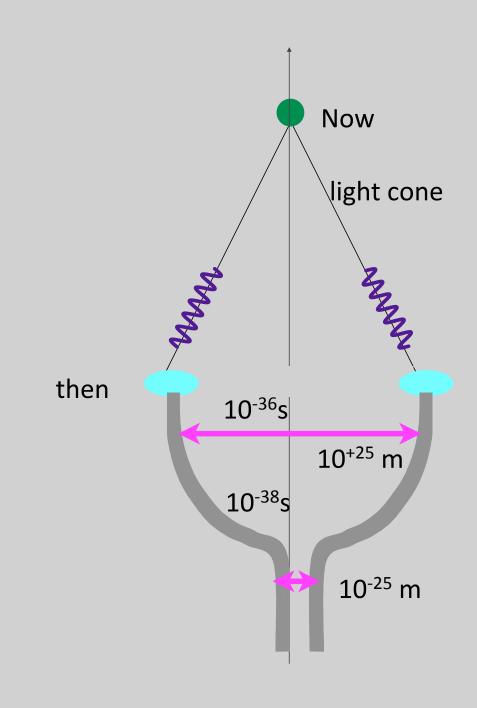


Yup...there is a spin 0 particle associated with this phase transition...the "inflaton"

Energy liberation is so enormous – it exponentially increases the radius of the universe by 50 orders of magnitude!

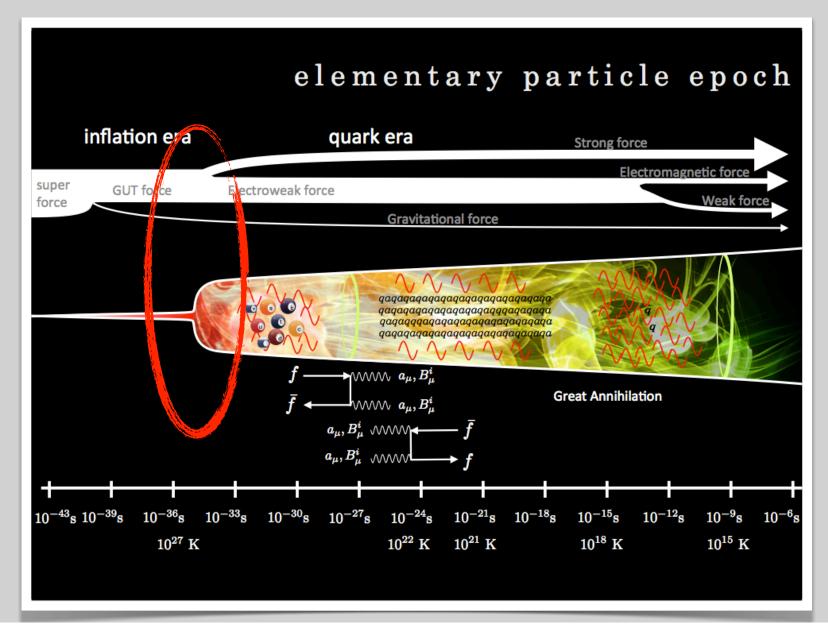
"Inflation"
not an overheated economy...

another phase transition

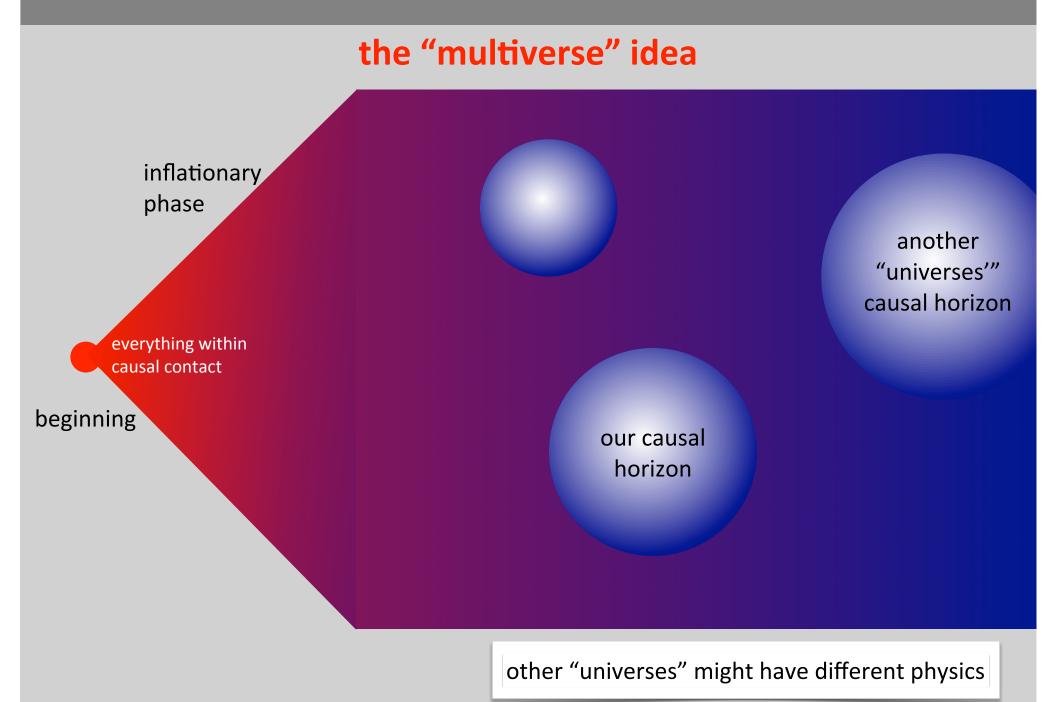


Inflation

the phase transition that was responsible for separating the strong from the electroweak, fueled the inflationary phase?

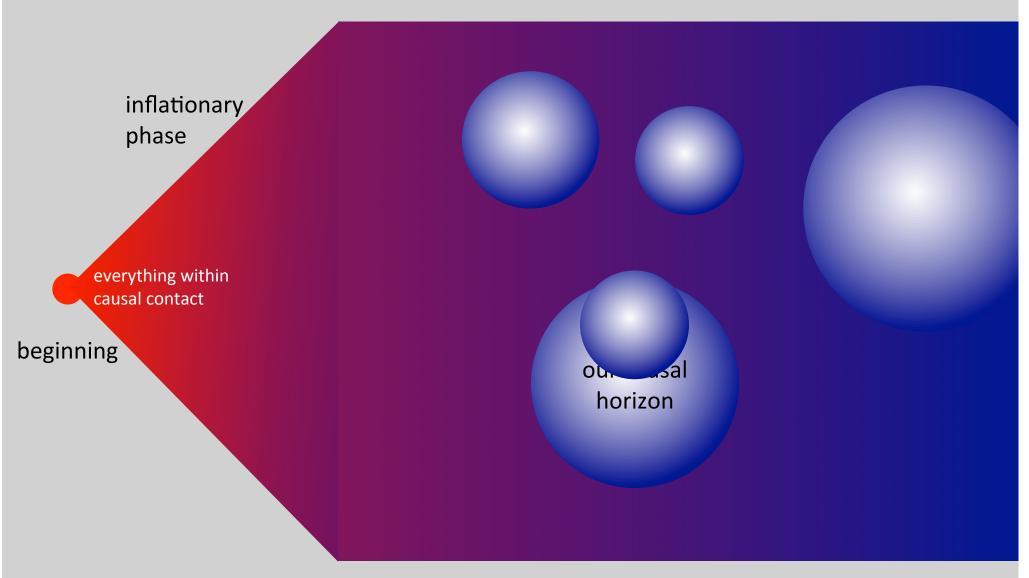


lost relatives?

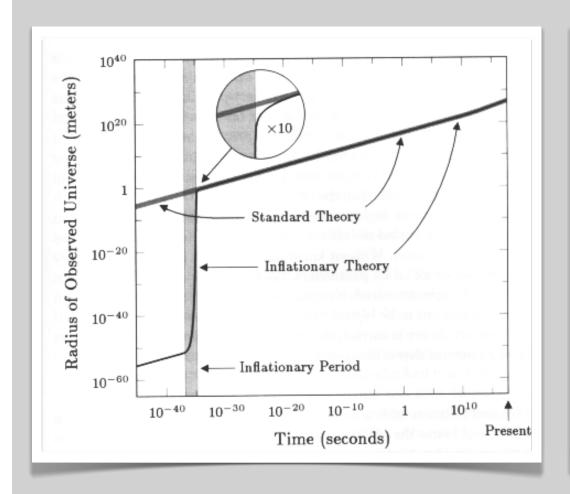


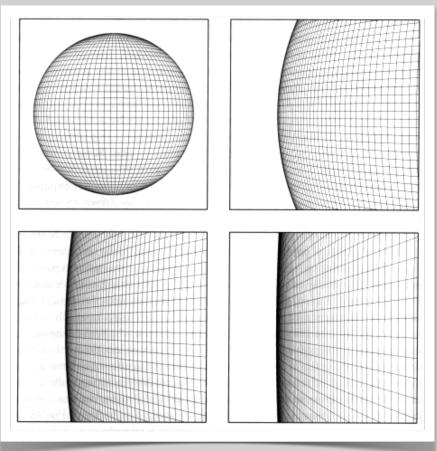
inflation is a quantum mechanical theory

a blessing and a curse.... Inflation should still be happening....



inflated so fast, as to make our neighborhood locally flat?



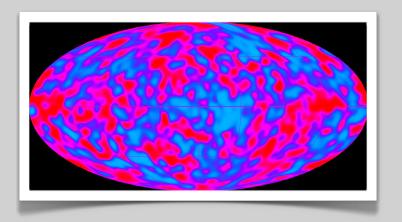


problem #6

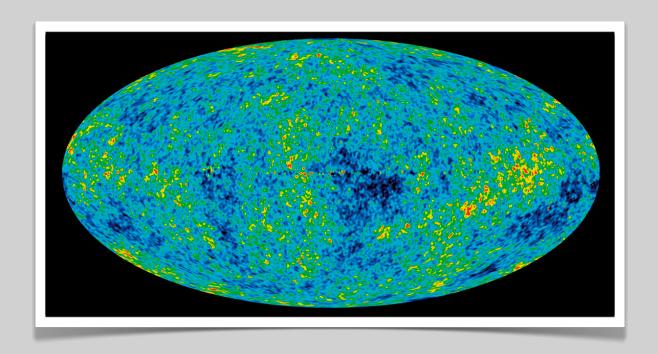
what's the geometry of the universe?

remember the CMB measurements? COBE?

WMAP?

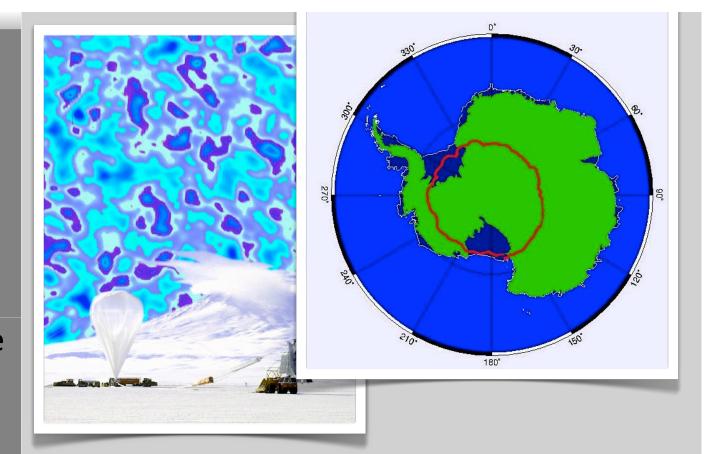


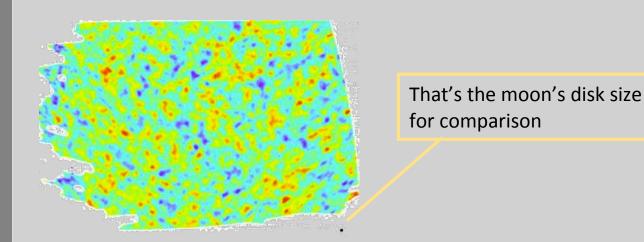
BOOMERANG



BOOMERanG
(Balloon
Observations of
Millimetric
Extragalactic
Radiation and
Geomagnetics)

Launched from the South Pole in 1998 has done even more precise measurements of the CMB





...on the balance between expansion and gravitation

how much mass/energy there is

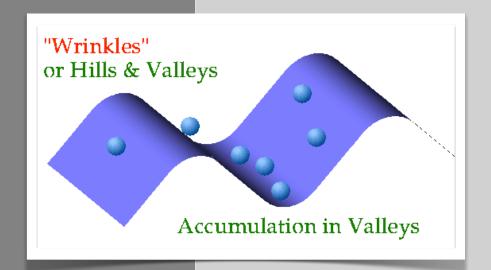
what is the fate of the universe?
That depends:

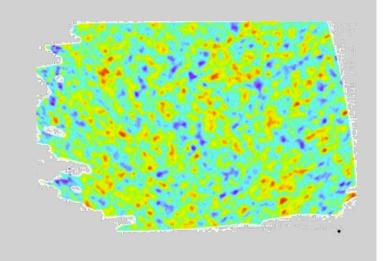
Two general ways to determine that:

Count the stuff...how much stuff/light can we see and account for?

Measure spacetime...what clues do we have to the geometry of the universe?

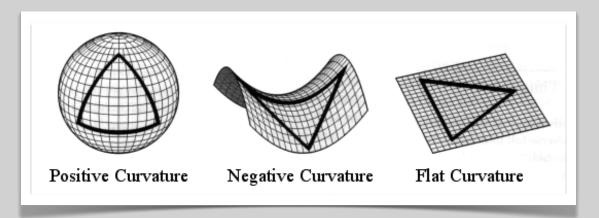
BOOMERANG did that convincingly, first.

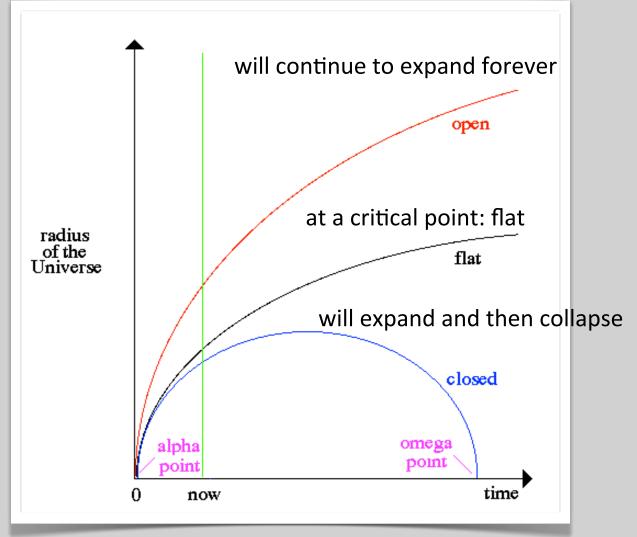




remember: geometry ←→ energy/mass

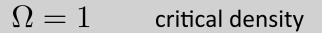
the geometry of spacetime can be of 3 sorts "curvature"



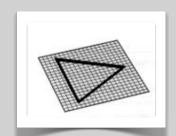


characterize the density (ρ) of matter per unit volume "Omega"

$$\Omega = \frac{\rho}{\rho_{\text{critical}}}$$



flat universe geometry infinite



 $\Omega\gg 1$ high density

closed universe geometry finite



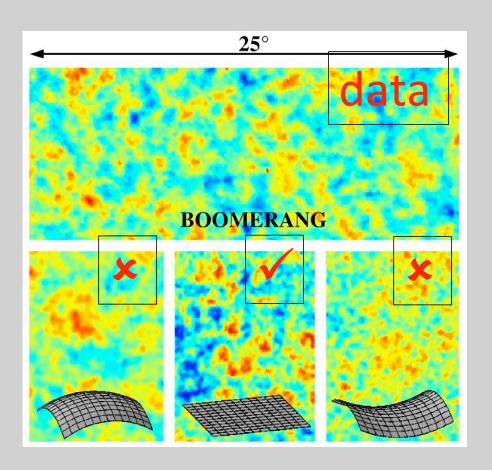
 $\Omega \ll 1$ low density

open universe geometry infinite



we can now measure the Geometry of the Universe

By comparing the anisotropy of the CMB to computer simulations



From these measurements,

$$\Omega_{\text{geometry}} = 1$$

But, it gets worse.

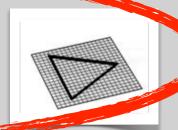
BOOMERANG SAYS:

characterize the amount of matter per unit volume Omega



critical density

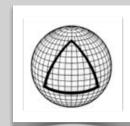
flat universe geometry infinite



 $\Omega \gg 1$

high density

closed universe geometry finite



 $\Omega \ll 1$

low density

open universe geometry infinite



Here's the problem: measurements show that

whoa. 4%?

 $\Omega_B \sim 0.044$

"baryons"...stars and stuff made from

protons

whoa. 30%?

add dark matter:

 $\Omega_M \sim 0.3$

matter= DM + B

Add up everything that's visible:

Ω luminous matter

Visible stuff (stars, dust, gas) from telescopes $\Omega_{luminous\ matter} \approx 0.01$

Other regular matter..He, deuterium, etc

 $\Omega_{luminous\ matter} \approx 0.05$

recap

we're a little short this month

$\Omega_{ m dark\ matter}$

 $\Omega_{dark \ matter} \approx 0.25$

But: from measurements

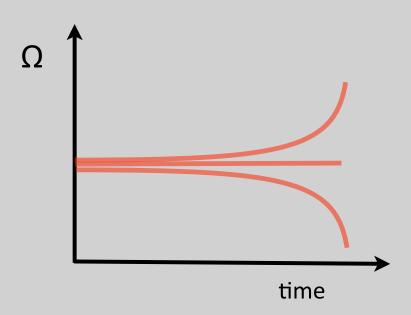
 $\Omega_{\text{geometry}} = 1$

Meaning...that more than 94% of the mass/energy in the universe is unaccounted for by what we know as normal matter/radiation.

But, it gets worse.

there is a very, very strong prejudice that $\Omega = 0.3$ doesn't make sense

Because it evolves in time so fast:



Too fine-tuned!

More satisfying if $\Omega = 1.0$ for all times

But Ω = 0.3, not 1?

1a

1a supernovae are different

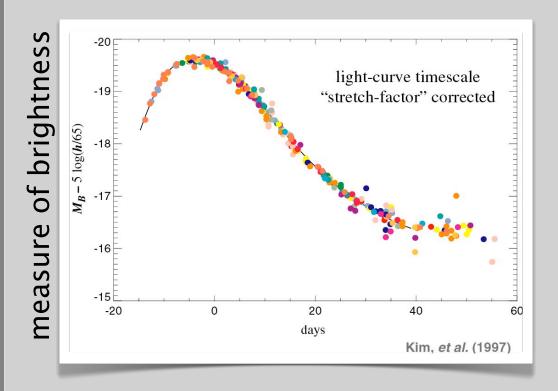
Typically stars not massive enough by themselves to nova

but:

in close proximity to another star which it siphons matter from, enough to cause a supernova explosion after all

Special events – they stay bright for a period of time which is directly related to their magnitude - So, like Cepheids, measure the time, deduce the brightness

with brightness, can determine the distance.



But, it gets worse.

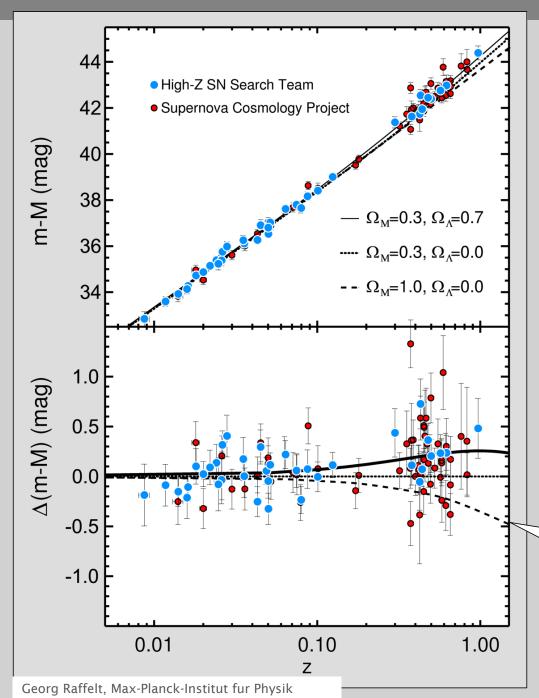
There are lots of these

enough of these to have one about per second in deep galaxies

So, by searching one gets a wide range of distances

many, quite far away...at very "large redshifts"

enough of these to have one about per second in deep galaxies



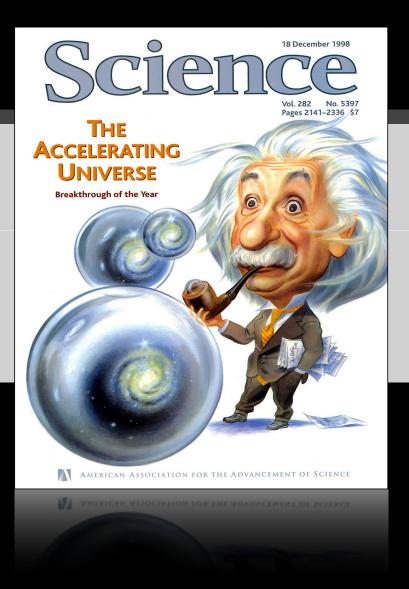
A flat matter-dominated universe would be the dashed line in the middle.

A decelerating (slowing down) universe one of the curves below that.

matter-dominated, decelerating universe

The data require an interpretation that the Universe's expansion is

Accelerating



All observables (only some of which have been mentioned) suggest a new contribution to Ω :

um...accelerating??

There has to be some "antigravity" kind of force at work to do this

What's more, there has to be a lot of it

called Ω_{Λ}

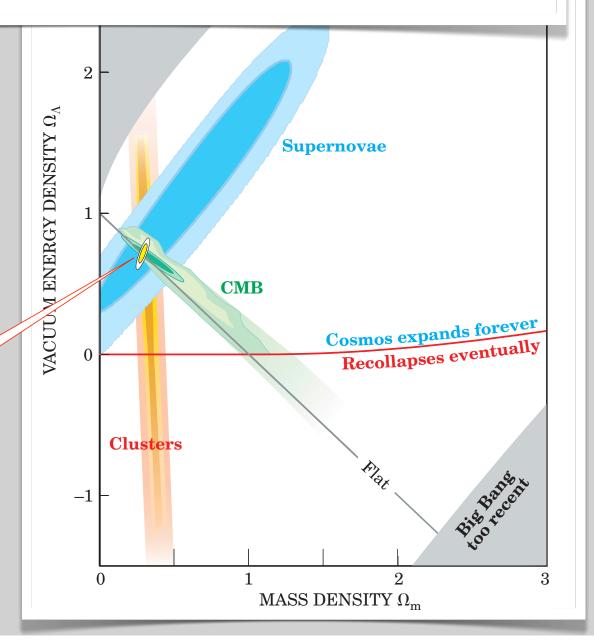
 $\Omega_{\text{lum matter}} + \Omega_{\text{dark matter}} + \Omega_{\Lambda} = \Omega(\text{total})$

$$\Omega_B + \Omega_{DM} + \Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.05 + 0.25 + 0.7 \sim 1$$

one of the most famous figures in astronomy

the best solution:

$$\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.7$$



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because it's back.

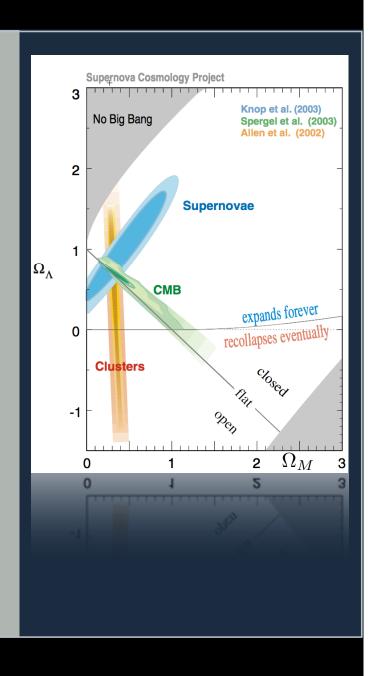
problem #7

the cosmological constant may have returned

interpreting dark energy

as a vacuum energy:

$$G + \Lambda = T$$



the pressure from vacuum energy

is negative

it will cause a spacetime expansion - increasing it from the BB's contribution

 Λ acts like the energy of the vacuum

we think the vacuum belongs to us...particle physics

THE biggest problem in physical science

any missing mass/energy is presumably quantum mechanical

So, how's that working out for us?

vacuum energy

leads to virtual particles

borrowings and paying back



generations learned:

"It's never hard to find trouble in field theory...[we] subtract the vacuum expectation value...[giving]

$$<0|H|0>=0$$

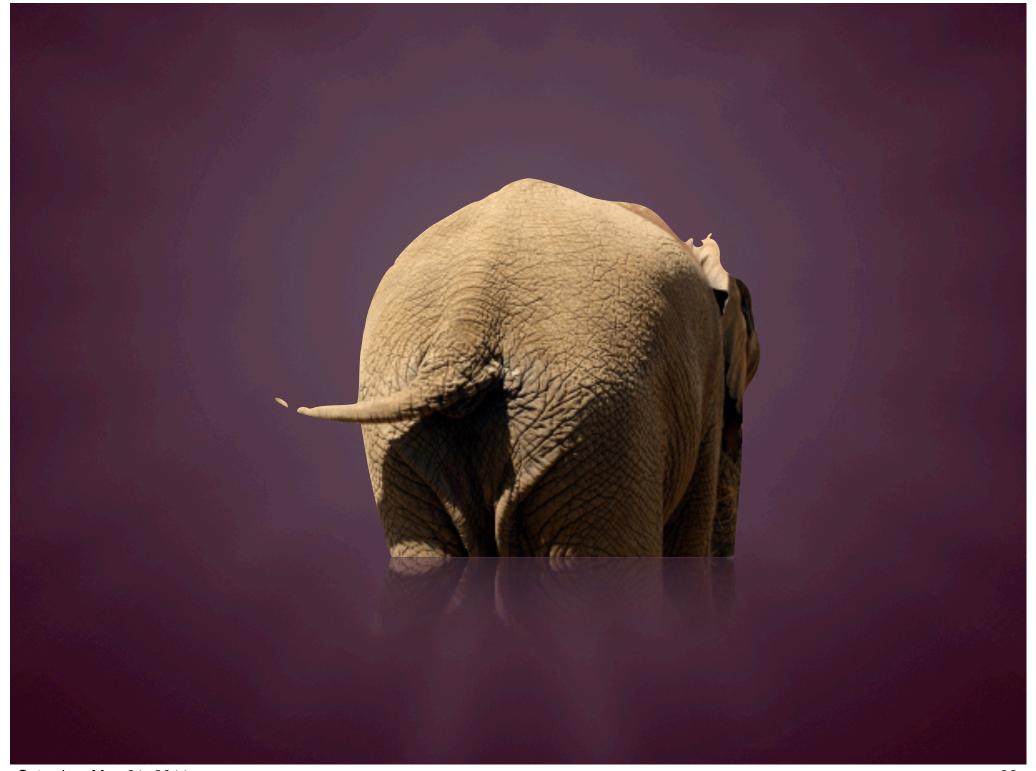
...[removing] the need of discussing several embarrassing divergences."

Bjorken and Drell, Relativistic Quantum Fields, 1965

"Only energy differences matter relative to the vacuum..."

Chip Brock, multiple PHY853 lectures





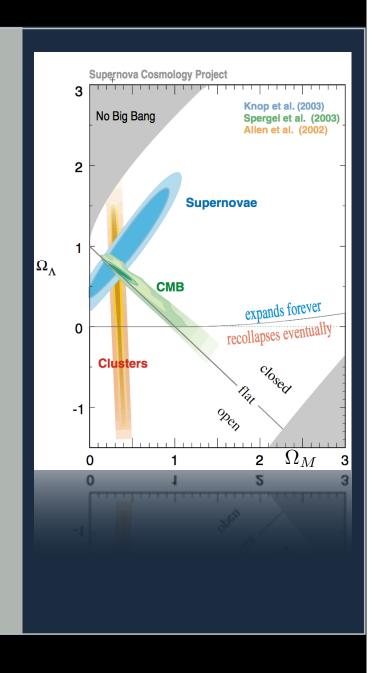
interpreting dark energy

as a vacuum energy:

$$=T+\Lambda$$

$$|\rho_{vac}(\text{cosmology})| < 10^{-9} \text{erg/cm}^3$$

Here, the vacuum energy absolute value matters!





how much?



Bj & D worry:

$$\therefore \rho = \infty$$



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a cut-off:

The scale of gravity: the Planck scale...

$$E_P = \left(\frac{\hbar c^5}{G}\right)^{1/2} = 10^{19} \text{GeV}$$

$$\rightarrow \rho_{vac}(\text{Planck}) = 10^{114} \text{erg/cm}^3$$

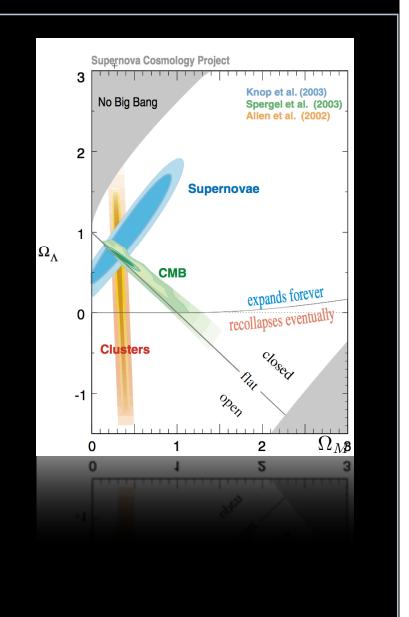


cosmological constant

 Λ as a vacuum energy?

$$|\rho_{vac}(\text{cosmology})| < 10^{-9} \text{erg/cm}^3$$
 vs.

$$\rho_{vac}(\text{Planck}) = 10^{114} \text{erg/cm}^3$$



vacuum embarrassment:

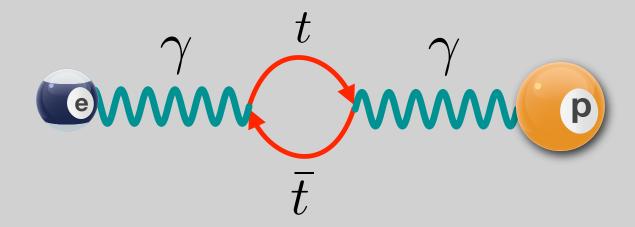
"...worst prediction in the history of physics."

problem #8

that whole alpha to omega thing...the Big Issues?

The conditions for our universe seem to be "just right"

the whole
Goldilocks thing



If the top quark mass were just a little different? or any of the fermions?

Their contributions to loops would result in a slightly larger or slightly smaller Bohr Radius

Chemistry would be entirely different!

any number of other

"coincidences" that make our world just right

(Victor Stenger)

The electromagnetic force is 39 orders of magnitude stronger than the gravitational force. If they were more comparable in strength, stars would have collapsed long before life had a chance to evolve.

The electron's mass is less than the difference in the masses of the neutron and proton. Thus, neutron beta decay can happen.

The neutron is heavier than the proton, but not so much heavier that neutrons cannot be bound in nuclei.

The carbon nucleus has an excited energy level at around 7.65 MeV. Without this state, insufficient carbon would be manufactured in stars.

you get the idea?

Science cannot function with "coincidence" as an ingredient.

Need to understand how ours is right.

"Anthropic Principle" hugely controversial

skates on very thin ice for science

associated with:

John Barrow, Frank Tipler, Brandon Carter

"weak anthropic principle": The observed values of all physical and cosmological quantities are not equally probable but take on values restricted by the requirement that there exist sites where carbon-based life can evolve and by the requirement that the Universe be old enough for it to have already done so.

circular

"strong anthropic principle": The Universe must have those properties which allow life to develop within it at some stage in its history.

"final anthropic principle": Intelligent, information processing must come into evidence in the Universe, and, once it comes into existence, it will never die out.

implies purpose

These bug most of us...but they continue to be discussed



"extreme anthropic principle" = an explicit creator as a part of the science.

No science can go there.

Of all the possible ways a universe could come into existence...that are the chances that our nicely tuned one might just occur as a quantum mechanical fluctuation?

you know...what're the odds?

not zero...but very tiny

basically two ways:

People aren't very good at dealing with odds...

The universe could be a fluke

accident

2. inflation can explain us

how we deal with

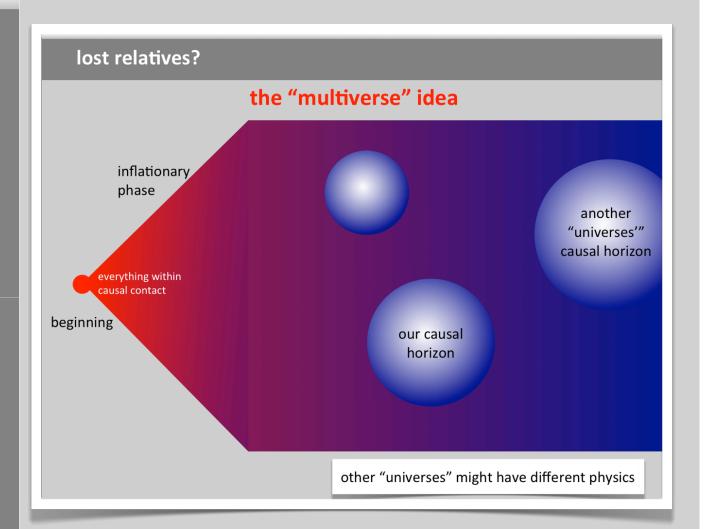
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One's reaction might be: it's rigged!

same probability as:

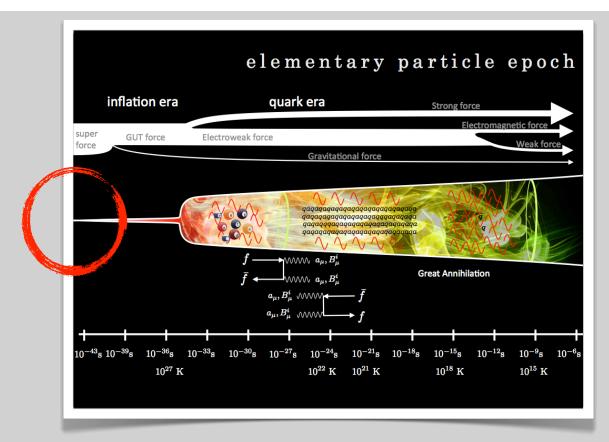
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most like the inflation solution where ours is one of many



So, most would probably not sustain life and not live long or not support nucleosynthesis or even have the phase transitions that we've experienced.

the "Planck era"? what could have existed?



Just geometry.

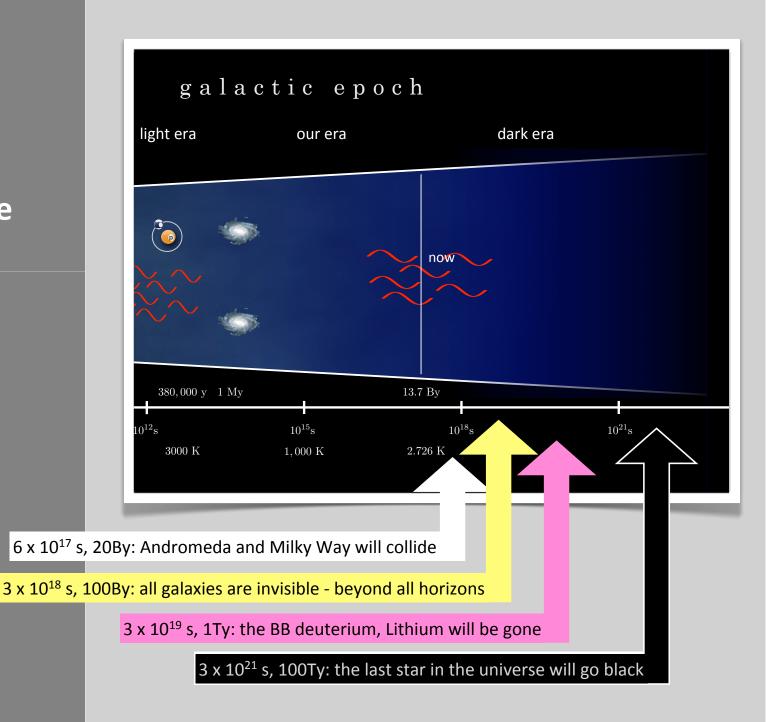
a spacetime foam - spacetime is so compressed and distorted...that it would be folded on itself, creating wormholes and mini-black holes

causality might not even exist

eventually, spacetime would rip and black holes would produce particle-antiparticle

how about the other end? you know.

The. End.



be happy. it's a long time 'till then.



scratch any of us hard-boiled physicists

we are in awe of what we know

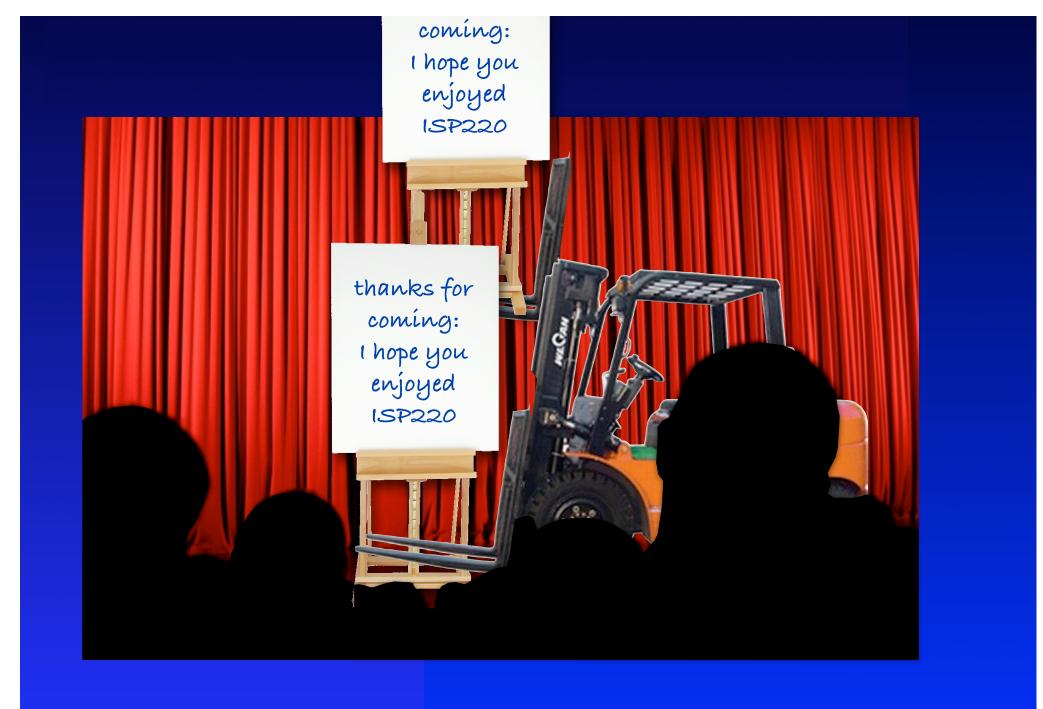
and how gorgeous it all is

problem #9

maybe the most important: the surprise. The unknown, unknowns.

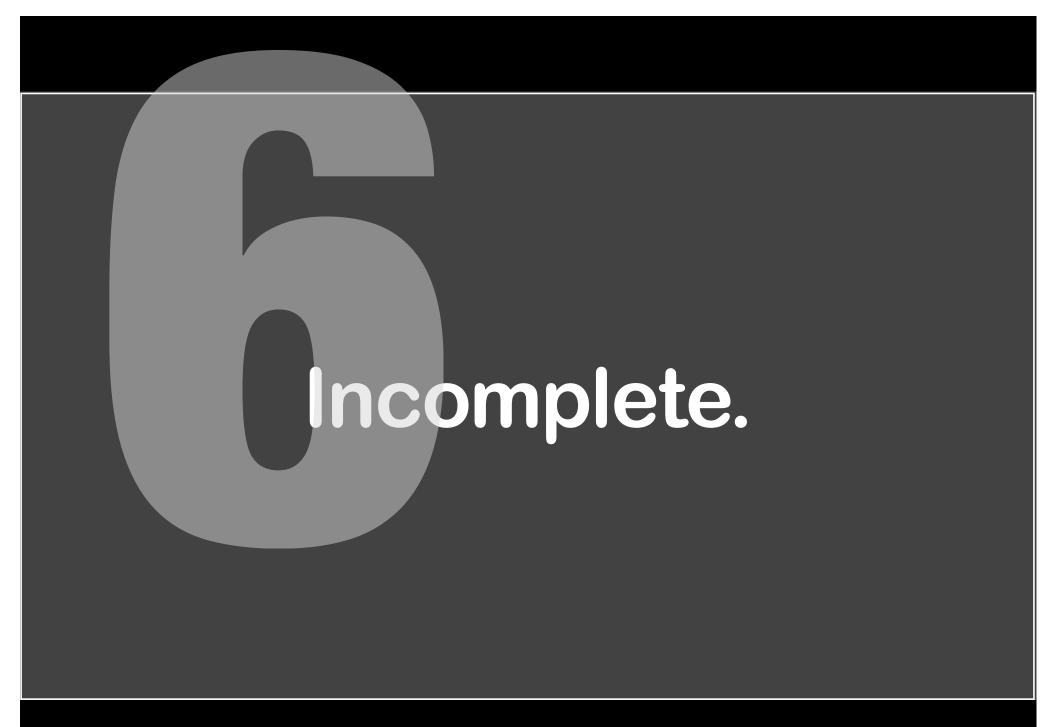


That's where the fun happens. That's what makes science exciting!



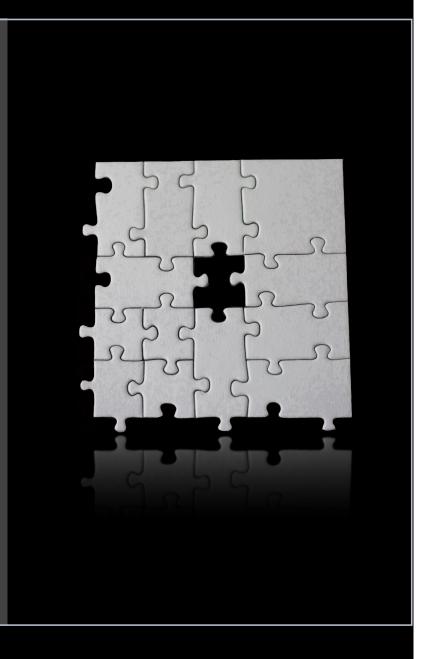


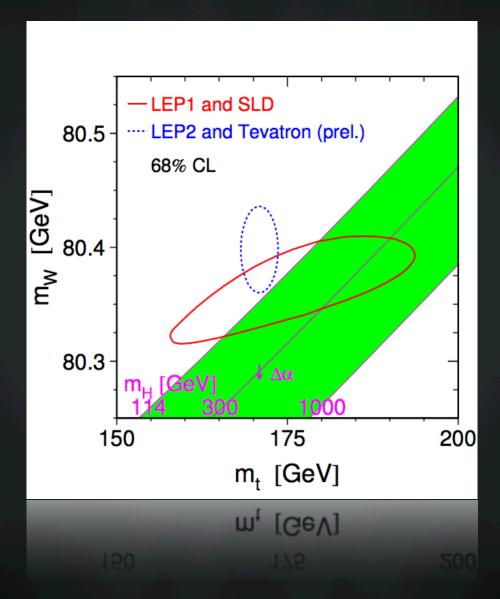
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...or worse

that's part of the game.





By constraining SM measurements:

 $\{M_H < 182 \text{ GeV/c}^2; > 114 \text{ GeV/c}^2\}$ and: $M_H = 76 + 36 - 24 \text{ GeV/c}^2$

SM is a renormalizable theory

with issues... Higgs loops. and Gravity.

mass corrections

$\sim (10^2 \text{ GeV})^2$?

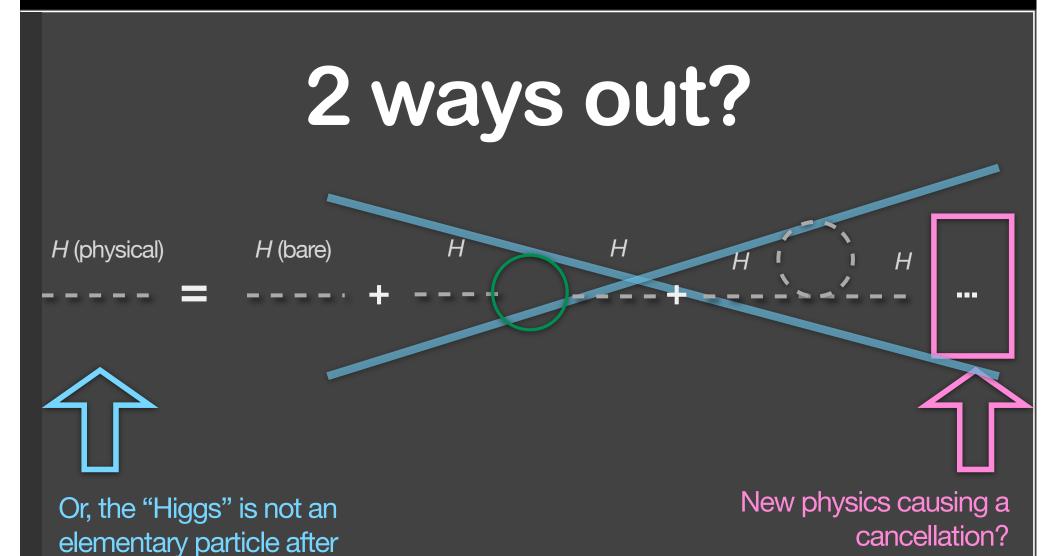
$$m^2(p^2) = m_0^2 + Cg^2 \int_{p^2}^{\Lambda^2} \text{stuff } dk^2$$

$$m^2(p^2) \propto \Lambda^2$$

That same scale problem as with the



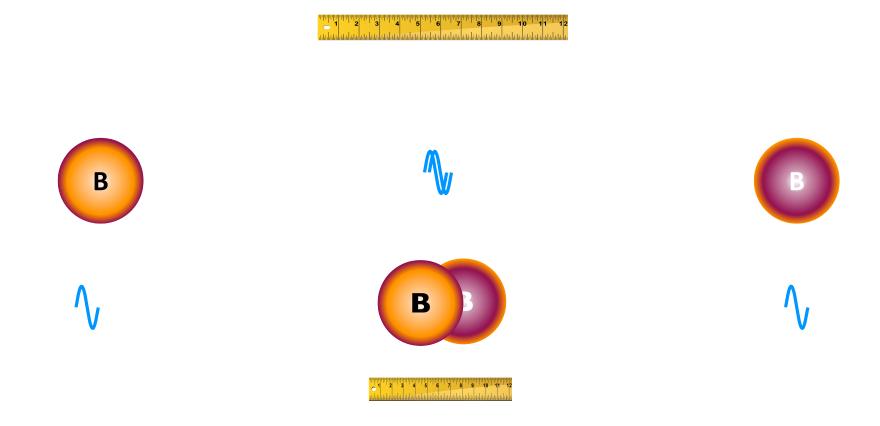
 $\sim (10^{19} \text{ GeV})^2$?



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all

prior to 3 minutes: balance between radiation and particles.

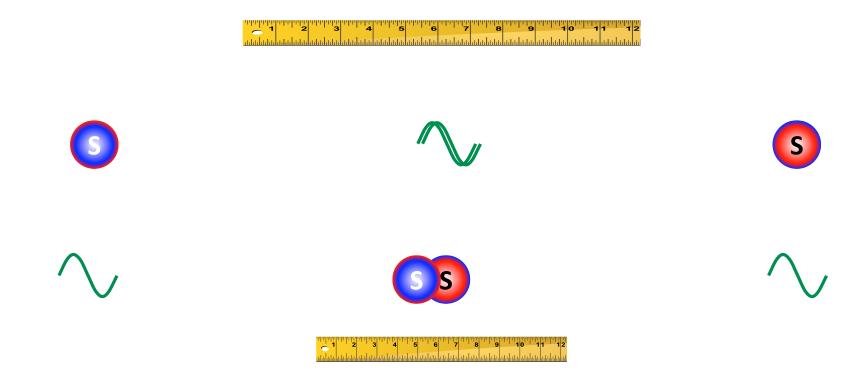


Early moments: short wavelength photons = high frequency photons = high energy photons lots of mc^2 available—can make heavy particles

prior to 3 minutes: balance between radiation and particles.

spacetime has stretched!

Later moments: longer wavelength, lower frequency = less high energy photons less mc^2 available—can't make heaviest particles



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heavy species "freeze out"

