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DARKNESS

Darkness = property of gravitational
vacuum, with scale
(in empty space) $\sim 10^{13}$ cm.

Its relevance depends upon choice of
GR descriptive language.

Metric (EH) Gravity

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} R(g) \quad g = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{array} \right)$$

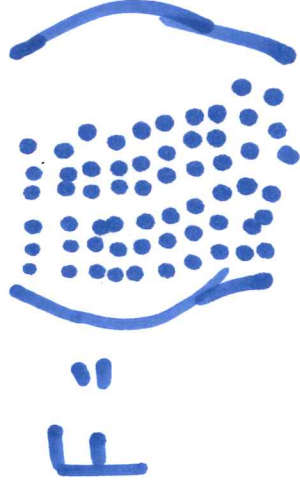
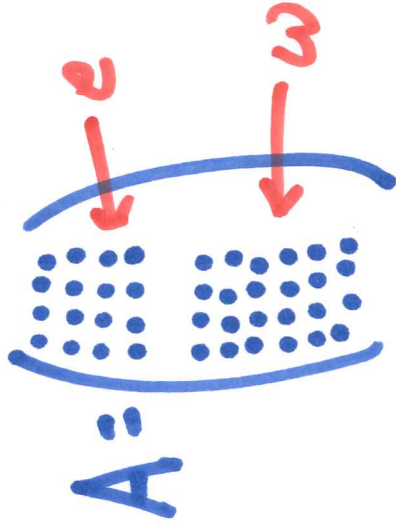
First order (gauge) gravity (EC):

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} e e R \quad e = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{array} \right)$$

$$R = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{array} \right) \quad \omega = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \end{array} \right)$$

Mac-Dowell Mansouri Extension of EC:

$$\chi = \frac{M^2}{\Lambda} FF$$



Decomposition of MM to EC:

$$\chi = \frac{M^2}{\Lambda} [RR + \Lambda e e R + \Lambda^2 e e e e]$$

Important Features of MM:

- It is a gauge theory like QED
QCD
EW

- \mathcal{L} is quadratic in F

- But it is E·B-like (NOT $E^2 - B^2$ -like)

- Leading term is topological:

$$\int d^4x (\frac{M^2}{\Lambda^2} \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{R} \cdot \mathbf{R}) = \int dt (2\pi \frac{dN}{dt}) \leftarrow \text{DARKNESS}$$

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How DARKNESS BEHAVES:

In FRW expanding universe:

$$N(t) \sim \frac{M_{pl}^2}{\Lambda} \int (\dot{a}^3) dx = \frac{M_{pl}^2}{\Lambda} V(t) \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^3$$

↑
Comoving
Volume

Nowadays $\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 \sim \Lambda \Rightarrow n \approx (M_{pl}^2 \Lambda^{1/2}) \sim 10^{39} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
(\ddagger in the future)

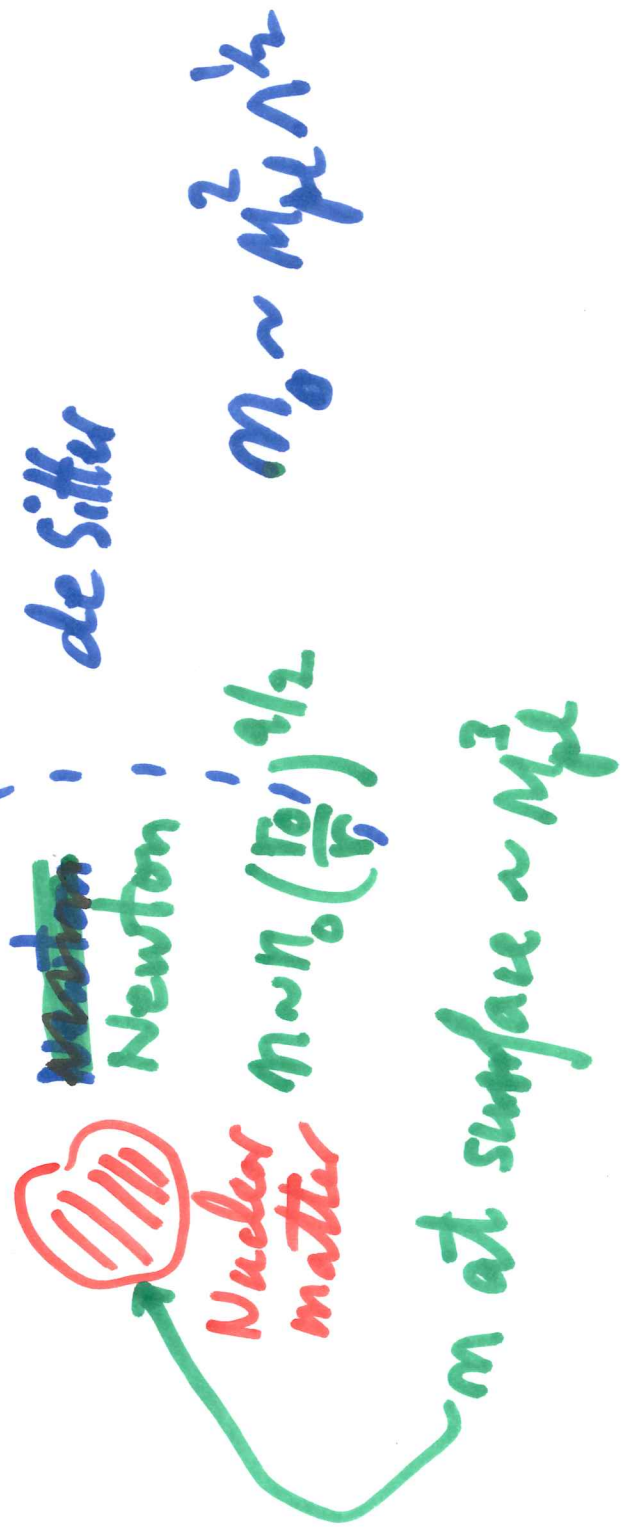
In the past, $n(t)$ was much larger

When $\Gamma \sim 50 \text{ MeV}$ $m(t) \sim M_{\text{pl}}^3$

"QCD" scale \Leftrightarrow limit of validity of
Zeldovich \Leftrightarrow MN description

Sources:

← "sphere of influence"



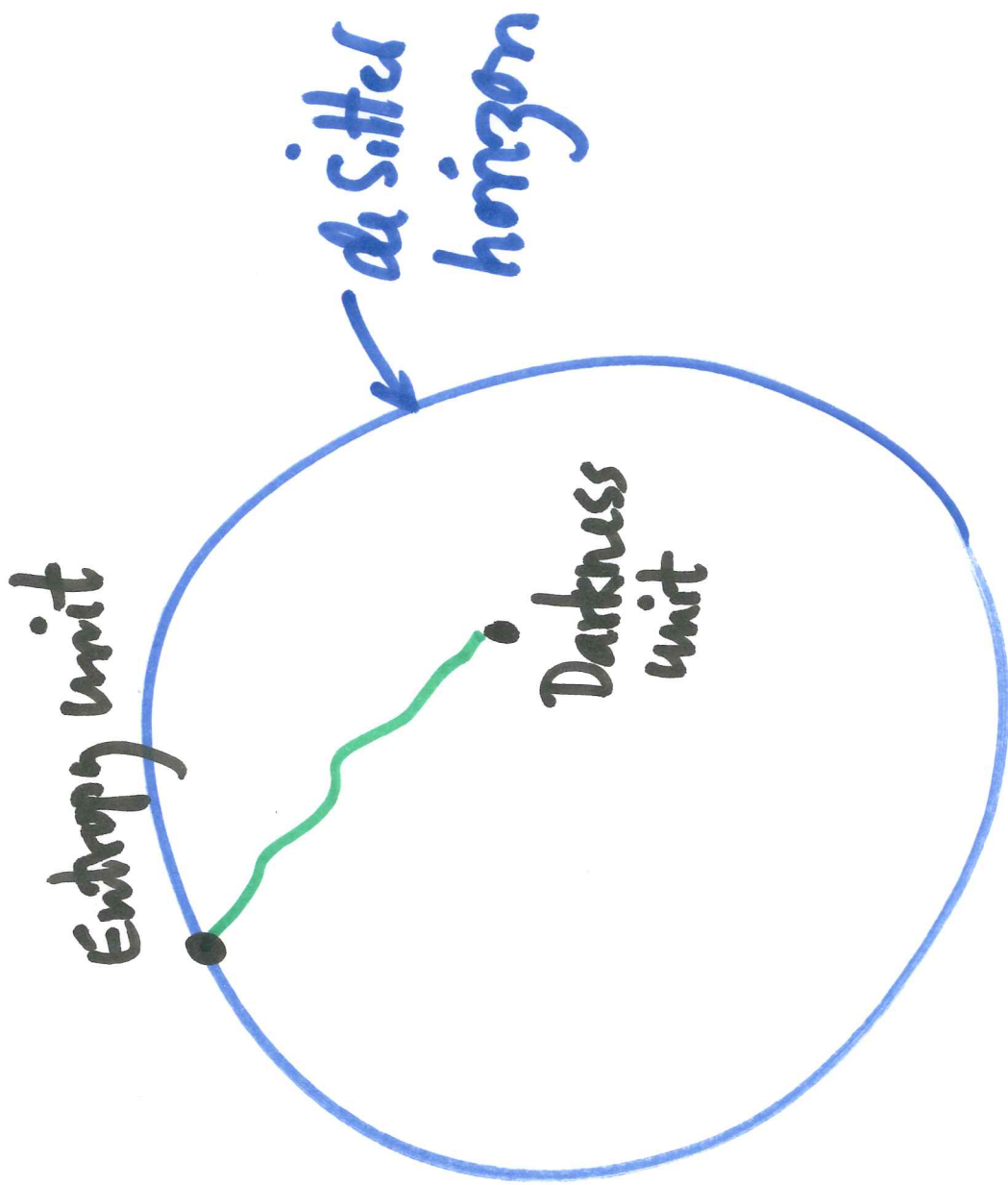
Note: Total amount of darkness in universe dominated by matter:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Baryon} \# \sim 10^{80} \\ \text{Darkness/nucleon} \sim 10^{60} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow 10^{140}$$

De Sitter density \times Volume of universe
(inside the horizon)

$$\sim (10^{39} \text{ cm}^{-3}) \times (10^{28} \text{ cm})^3 \sim 10^{123}$$

Is Darkness = Horizon Entropy?



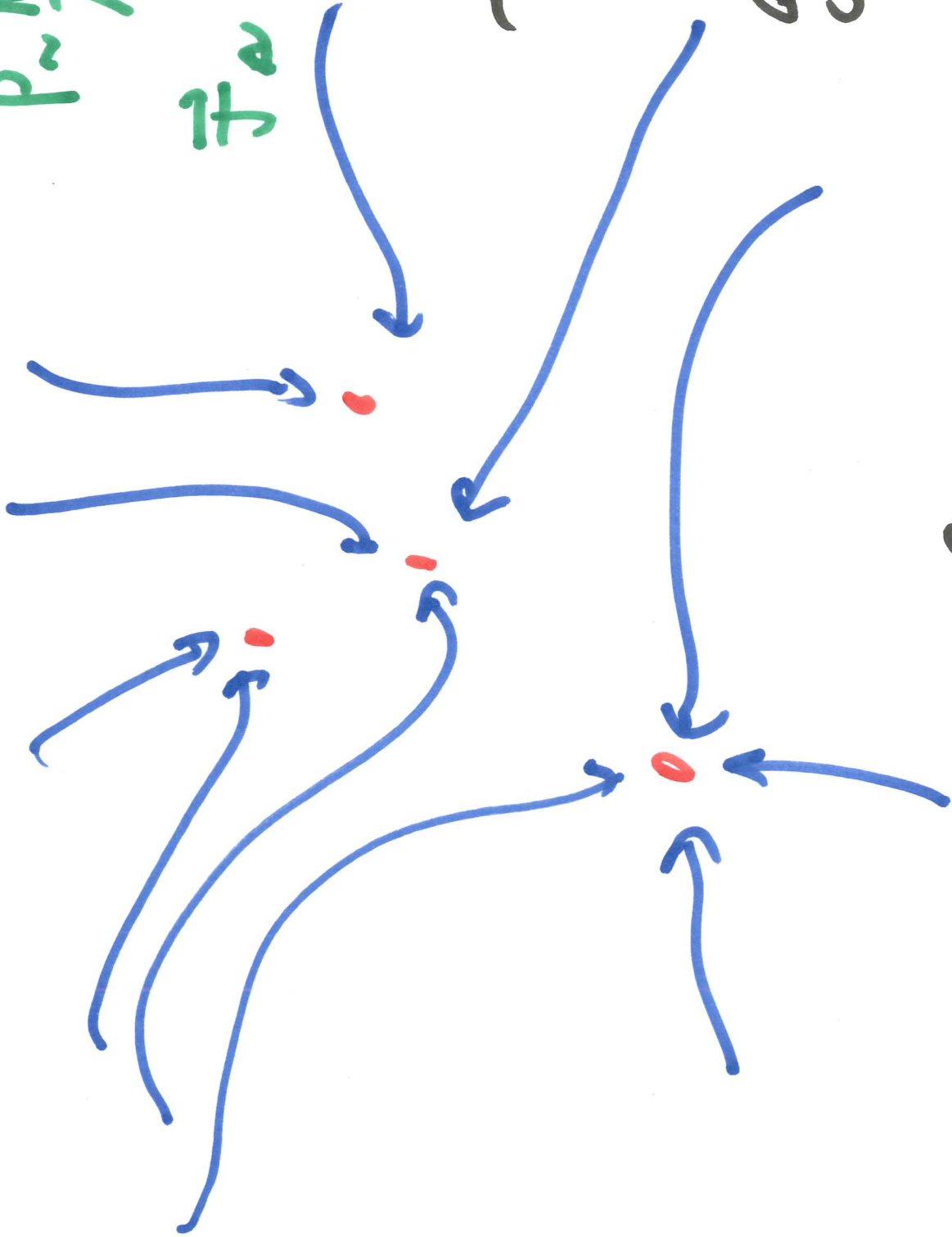
Newtonian Darknes Flow

$$\rho \sim \frac{M^2}{\Lambda^2} \sqrt{\det \pi}$$

$$\vec{F} \sim \frac{M^2}{\Lambda^2} \vec{\nabla} |\vec{g}|^2$$

$$T_{ij} = \nabla_i \nabla_j \phi$$

$$g_{ij} = \nabla_i \phi$$



Comments:

- Is the darkness scale related to

Λ_{QCD} ?

f/ℓ mass scale?

Dark-matter mass-scale?

- QCD/EW/Higg vacua vs grav. vacuum.

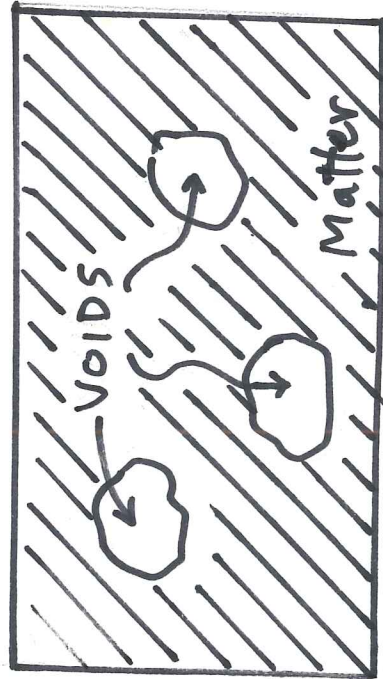
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VOIDS

The Usual Definition:

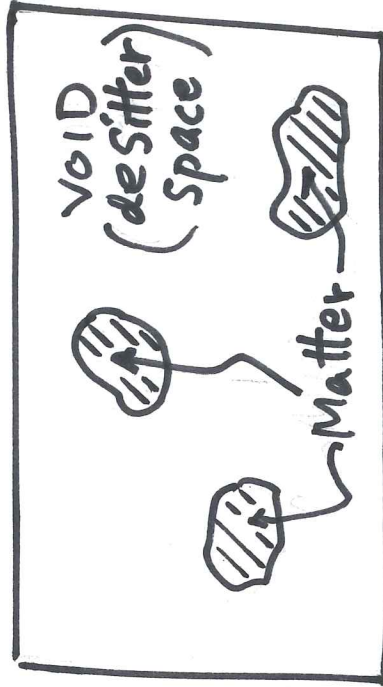
The Suggested Definition

DENSITY CONTRAST



BEFORE ($\rho(t) \ll 1$)

RIEMANN CURVATURE



AFTER ($\rho(t) \gg 1$)

THE SUGGESTION

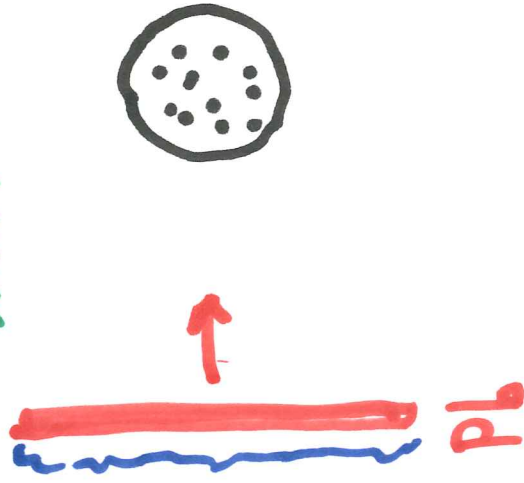
- Locate the boundary surface in LSS simulations
- Learn by doing
- Is evolution of boundary surface sensitive to quintessence models?
- Study motion of "test particles" in voids
- Apply what is learned to real life (much harder)

QCD at the LHC

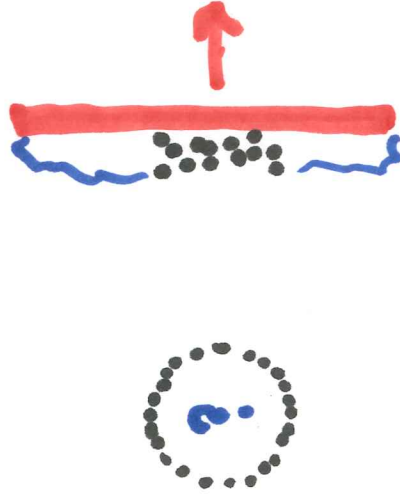
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- HEAVY IONS (Pb)
- FIXED TARGET (C, N, Ar, Fe)

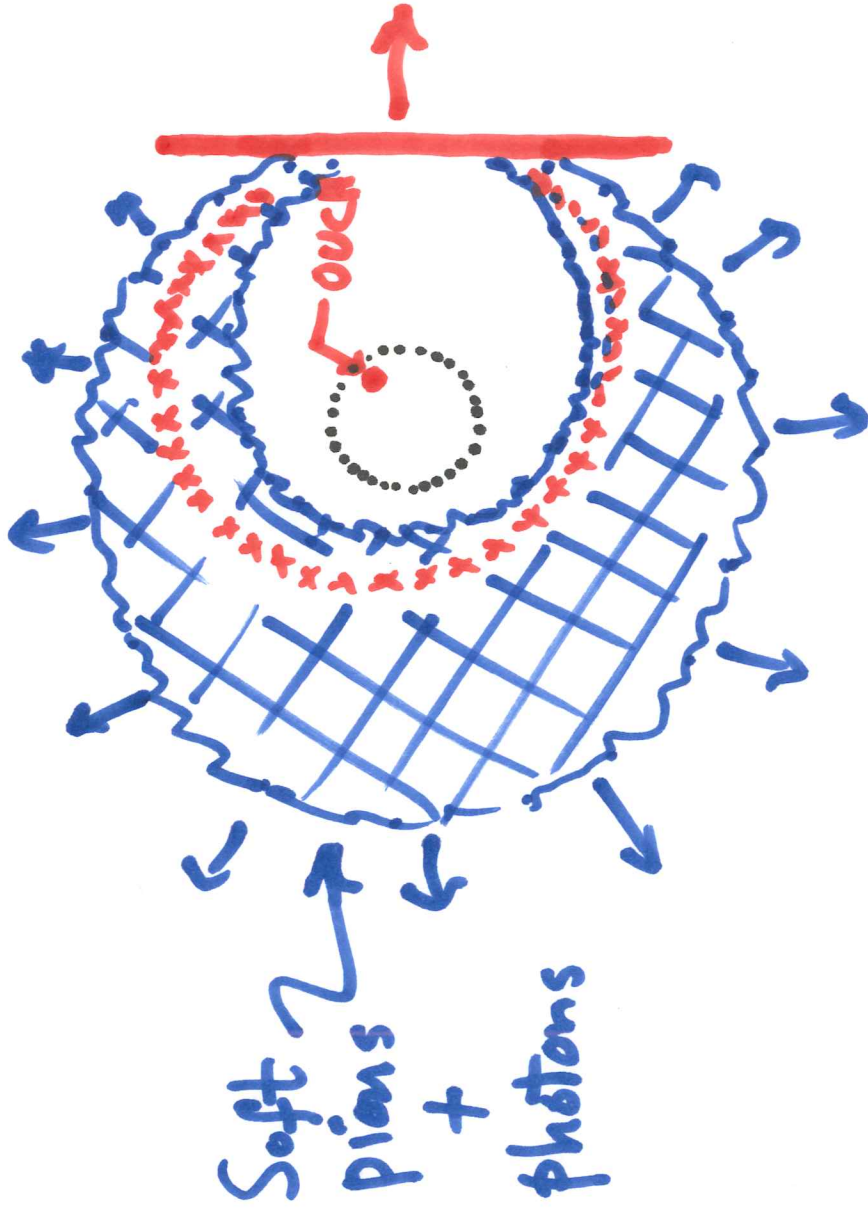
BEFORE



AFTER



THE DECAY OF "NOTHING"



Huygen's principle tells the story

- Pulse thickness is \sim nuclear diameter
- The pulse is noisy
- How much energy is emitted?
- What is the multiplicity of emitted quanta?

EM Radiation:

$$\text{Energy} = \int d^3r \left(\frac{\mathbf{E}^2}{2} \right) \sim \begin{cases} \frac{Z^2 \alpha}{R_{\text{Nucleus}}} & \text{(Coherent)} \\ \frac{Z \alpha}{R_{\text{Quark}}} & \text{(Incoherent)} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Momentum} \sim \begin{cases} \frac{1}{R_{\text{Nucleus}}} & \text{coherent} \\ \frac{1}{R_{\text{Quark}}} & \text{incoherent} \end{cases}$$

Pion Radiation in Chiral Limit ($m_\pi = 0$)

$$\text{Energy} \stackrel{?}{\sim} \left(\Delta \left(F_\pi^4 \cdot \frac{4}{3} \pi R_{Nuc}^3 \right) \sim (\Delta F_\pi) A \right) \quad (\text{coherent})$$

$$\sim m_a A \text{ incoherent ("onches")}$$

$\Delta F_\pi \equiv$ change in vev due to presence of nuclear matter ("bag model")

Real life:

How does $m_{\pi} \neq 0$ affect
the answer?

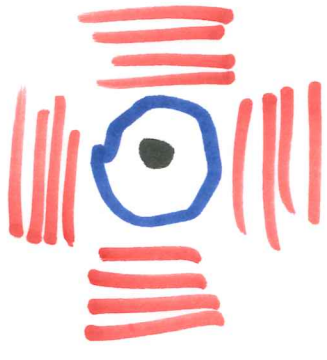
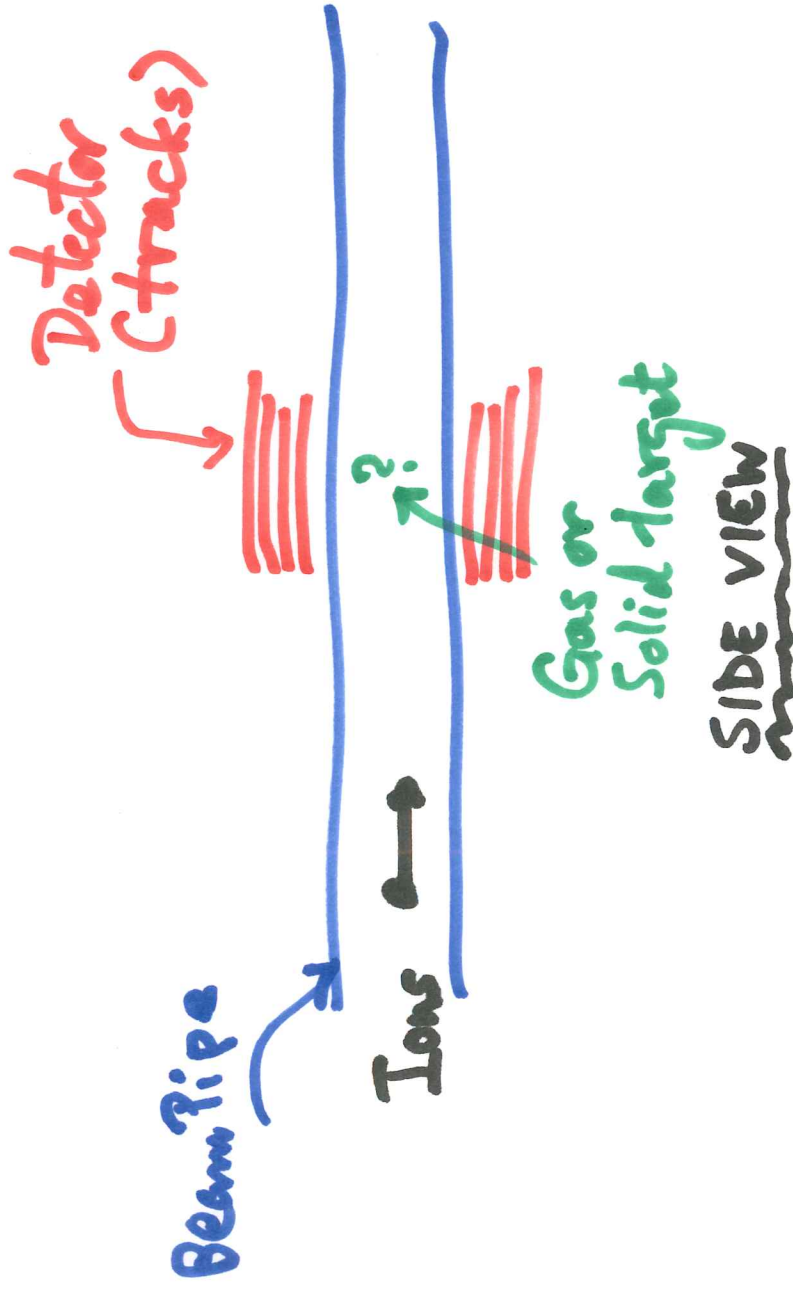
"Coherent" piece is suppressed?

"Ouch" piece is robust?

Best answer:

Do the experiment & find out.

The experiment:



- For every bunch crossing ($\Delta t = 20 \text{ nsec}$), count tracks.
- Location: Beam abort channel? Halo of circulating beam?

VACUUM ENGINEERING

WHAT DOES ONE LEARN??

- Nothing of importance?
- Something about chiral QCD vacuum?
- Link with cosmic-ray zoo events?

TOOLS:

Multiplicity dist
Momentum spectra

DCC ??
HBT ??

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