Quantum Gravity in Relativistic Phase Space

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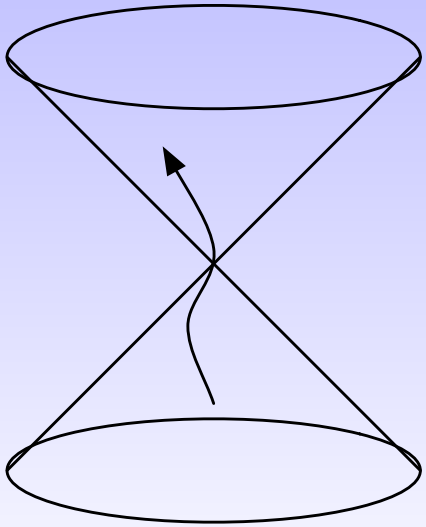

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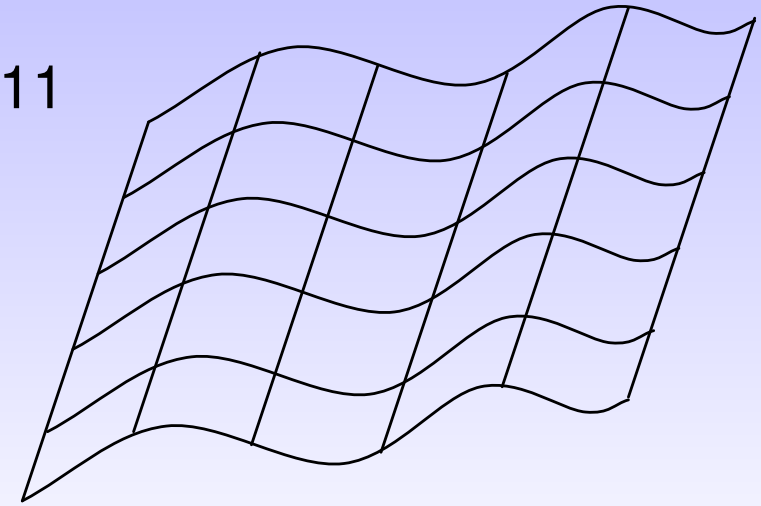
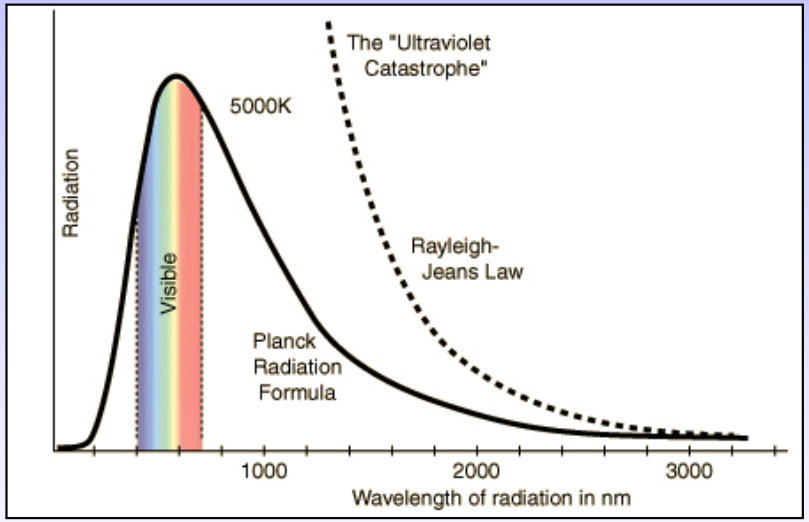


Why *Quantum* Gravity?

1. All the other fundamental interactions are quantized.
2. The Einstein Field Equation has matter in it.

$$\text{Spacetime Curvature} = \text{Matter}$$

3. Singularities of Black Holes and the Big Bang (Compare to UV divergence of Rayleigh-Jeans)



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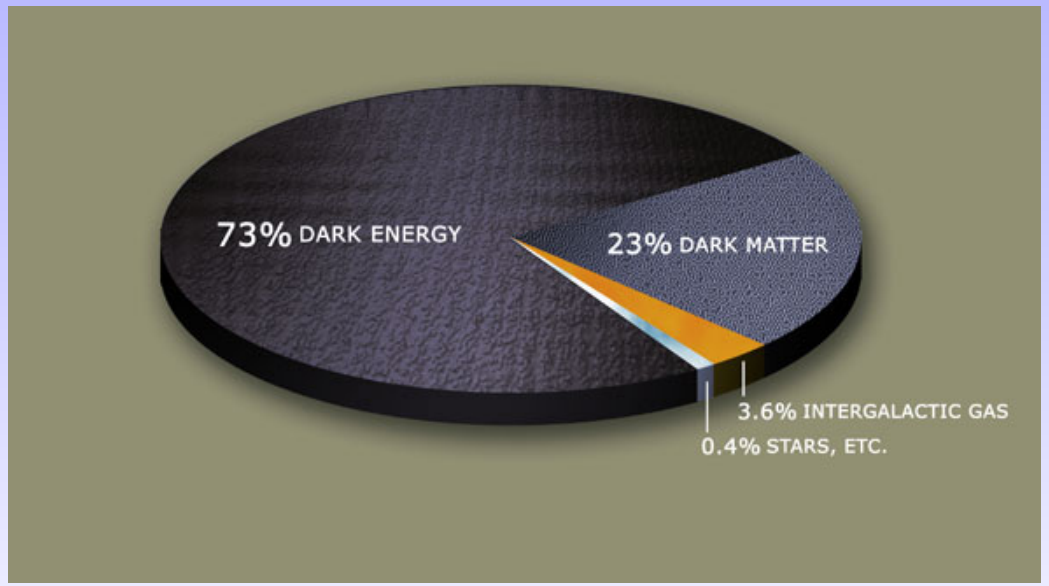
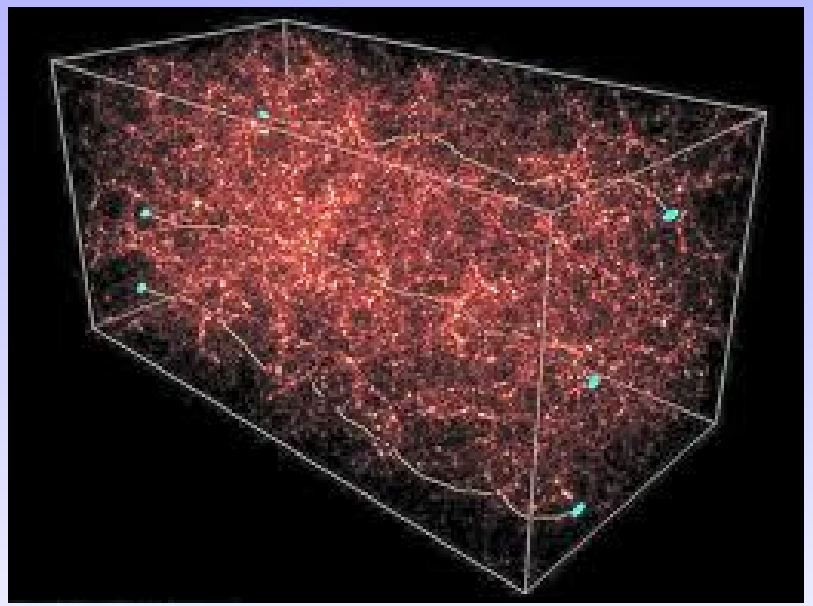
Dark Matter and Dark Energy

4. Unexplained gravitational phenomena
   - Dark Energy
   - Dark Matter





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So what is needed?

- Phase Space
- Canonically Conjugate Fields
- Relativistic geometry

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But it is not geometric

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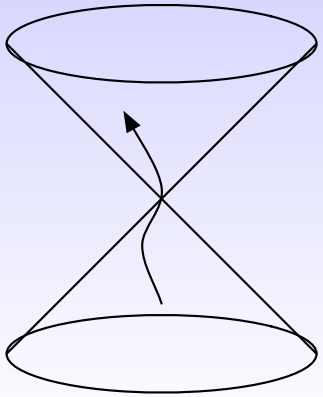

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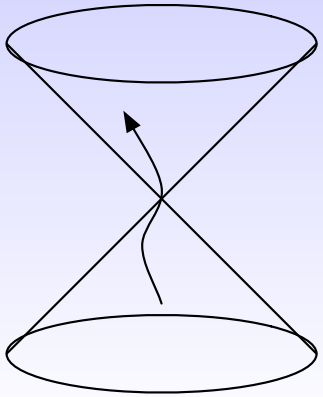
Biconformal Space: A space, formed from the symmetries of the light cone, that contains General Relativity and is special because:

- *Derive* the structures that make it a relativistic phase space.
  - Symplectic form → Poisson Bracket
  - Time is an emergent property!
- Allows direct characterization of canonically conjugate variables.



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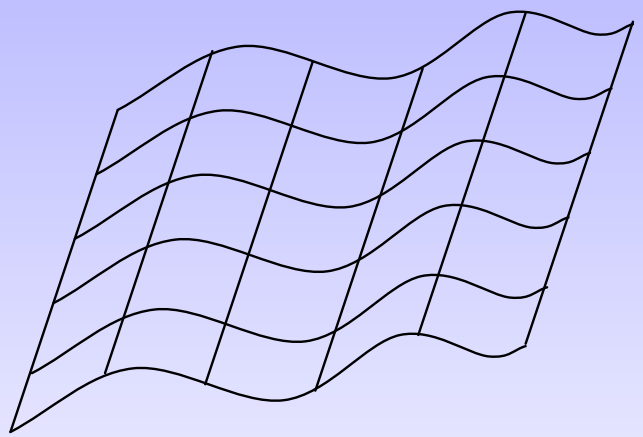
Curved Phase Space

Curved Momentum space

- Principle of Relative Locality
- 2+1 Quantum Gravity (regularization)



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