

Semiclassical Black Hole $\rightarrow$ White Hole Transition: An Analytic Treatment

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From Black Holes to the Cosmos: Matt Visser's journey through space and time

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Inner horizons

Generic whenever there is charge, rotation, or a regular core.

Mass inflation and semiclassical-instability.

Trapped and anti-trapped regions: the language of the talk

$$\text{Null expansions } \theta_{\pm} = \frac{1}{A} \frac{dA}{d\lambda_{\pm}} \xrightarrow{\text{sph. sym.}} \frac{2}{r} \frac{dr}{d\lambda_{\pm}}$$

Region	θ_+	θ_-
Untrapped	> 0	< 0
Trapped	< 0	< 0
Anti-trapped	> 0	> 0

Horizon	θ_+	θ_-	$\mathcal{L}_n \theta$
FOTH (outer, BH)	0	< 0	$\mathcal{L}_n \theta_+ < 0$
FITH (inner, BH)	0	< 0	$\mathcal{L}_n \theta_+ > 0$
POTH (outer, WH)	> 0	0	$\mathcal{L}_n \theta_- < 0$
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- **Trapped** $\Leftrightarrow$ BH interior.
- **Anti-trapped** $\Leftrightarrow$ WH interior.
- In *dynamical* spacetimes: quasi-local **trapping horizons** ($\theta_{\pm} = 0$), not event horizons.

Future horizons (FOTH, FITH) $\Leftrightarrow$ BH;
past horizons (POTH, PITH) $\Leftrightarrow$ WH.

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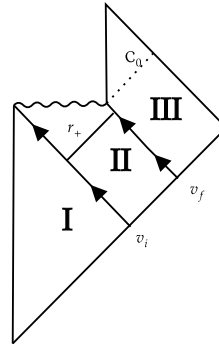
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2. Birth of a new region. If $\langle T_{++} \rangle$ violates the NEC, θ_- can be driven through zero: **an anti-trapped region may form** inside the trapped one.

Nothing here is specific to a given metric: only the *signs* of the two fluxes matter.

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Evanescent Schwarzschild: one horizon r_+ , no inner horizon, Hawking process.

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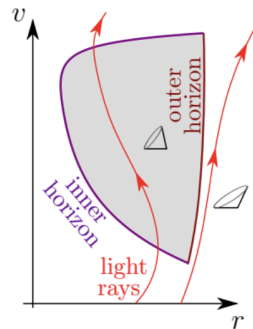
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With an inner horizon r_- (charge, rotation, regular core):

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- $\kappa_+ > 0$: FOTH contracts. $\kappa_- < 0$: **FITH expands**.

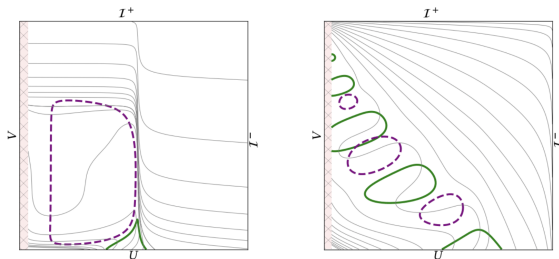
The key message

The trapped region is eaten **from the inside out**, and disappears in *finite* time when the two horizons merge.
Not the Hawking process: faster, inner-horizon driven, **no extremal remnant**.



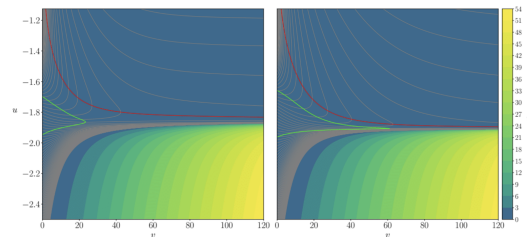
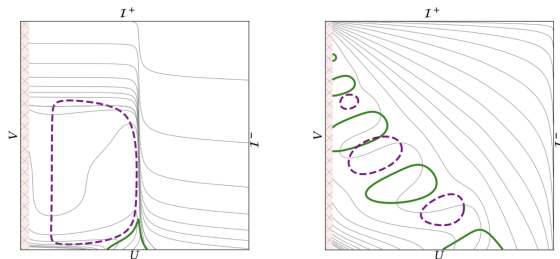
Semiclassical evolution of the trapped region: inner horizon out, outer horizon in [1].

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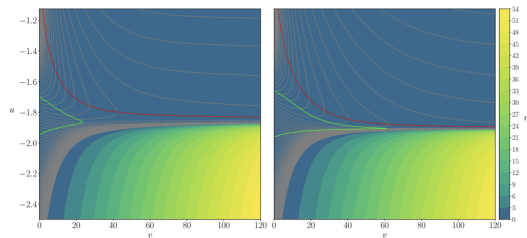
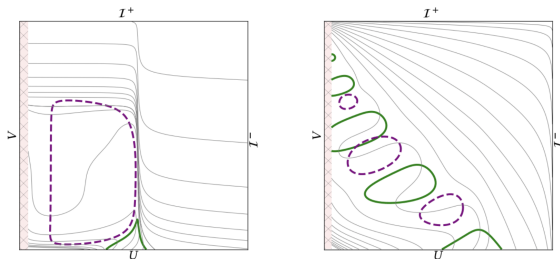
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Independent codes, different models, same qualitative story. Why?

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Procedure:

- Select a spacetime.
- Compute the RSET on it.
- Put it in the Raychaudhuri and see how the expansions evolve (insight on the backreaction).

Toy model: evanescent black hole

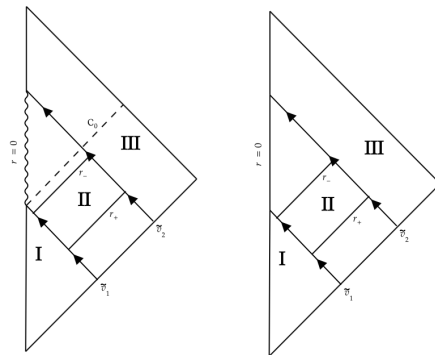
Two ingoing null shells ($+M$ then $-M$) at $\tilde{v}_1, \tilde{v}_2$:

Region	Metric	Content
I ($v < \tilde{v}_1$)	$-du_1 dv$	flat, $ in\rangle$ vacuum
II ($\tilde{v}_1 < v < \tilde{v}_2$)	$-f(r) du_2 dv$	trapped region
III ($v > \tilde{v}_2$)	$-du_3 dv$	post-evaporation

Backgrounds:

- Reissner–Nordström: $f = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} + \frac{Q^2}{r^2}$
- Bardeen: $f = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} \left(\frac{r}{\sqrt{r^2 + \ell^2}} \right)^3$
- Minkowski core, AdS-core Bardeen

All share $r_- < r_+$, with $\kappa_+ > 0, \kappa_- < 0$.



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The $|in\rangle$ state

Vacuum w.r.t. the Minkowski null coordinates of the far past: *no particles before collapse*.

Crossing a null shell, the state-dependent part of the RSET is fixed by a **Schwarzian derivative** of the matching map:

$$\langle in | \hat{T}_{ab} | in \rangle = \langle B | \hat{T}_{ab} | B \rangle - \frac{1}{24\pi} \{u_1, u_i\} \delta_{au_i} \delta_{bu_i}$$

Regularity on future (past) horizons requires $\langle T_{uu} \rangle \sim f^2$ ($\langle T_{vv} \rangle \sim f^2$) – checked in all cases.

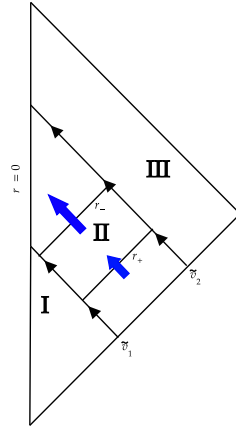
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Ingoing flux: universal, and it drives the inside-out evaporation

On any trapping horizon

$$\langle T_{vv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{2D} \big|_{r_h} = -\frac{\kappa_h^2}{48\pi}$$

- **Universal negative sign**, for every $f(r)$.
- Depends *only* on the surface gravity.
- Constant in v ; vanishes after evaporation.
- $\Rightarrow$ FOTH $\downarrow$, FITH $\uparrow$: the trapped region shrinks **from both sides**, faster from the inside.



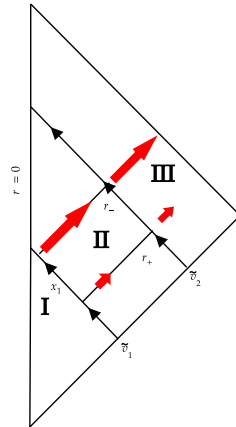
Outgoing flux: exponentially amplified at the inner horizon

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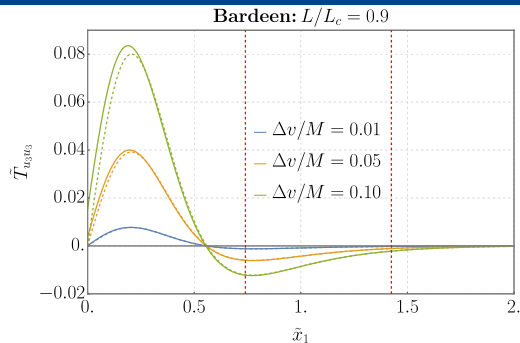
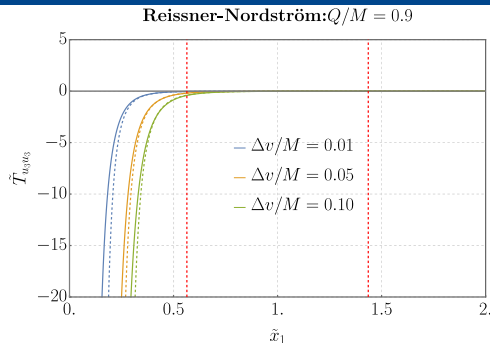
$$\langle T_{uu} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{2D}|_{r_h} \propto \frac{f^{(3)}(r_h)}{\kappa_h} \left[1 - e^{-2\kappa_h(v - \tilde{v}_1)} \right]$$

- **Non-universal sign:** set by $f^{(3)}(r_h)$, i.e. by the *gradient of the curvature*.
- FOTH ($\kappa_h > 0$): saturates to a constant.
- **FITH ($\kappa_h < 0$):** $\langle T_{uu} \rangle \sim e^{2|\kappa_-|\Delta v}$

Terminology: this is a *semiclassical inner-horizon (blueshift) amplification* of the vacuum flux – distinct from mass inflation, which is a classical, nonlinear effect of infalling matter.



The amplified profile: RN vs regular black holes



Universal vs model-dependent

RN (left): outgoing flux always negative, diverging at the Cauchy horizon. **Bardeen** (right): negative, then *positive* and larger. The amplification is **universal**; the *sign structure* of the seed is set by the core, i.e. by $f^{(3)}(r)$ – and it decides the fate of the WH region.

Backreaction: feeding the fluxes into Raychaudhuri

Outgoing expansion θ_+ (sourced by T_{vv})

$$\left. \frac{d\theta_+}{dv} \right|_{r_h} \simeq -\frac{8\pi}{r_h^2} \langle T_{vv}^{(2D)} \rangle = \frac{\kappa_h^2}{6r_h^2} > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ horizons merge at a finite v_{extr} : the trapped region closes. (We take $\tilde{v}_2 \equiv v_{\text{extr}}$.)

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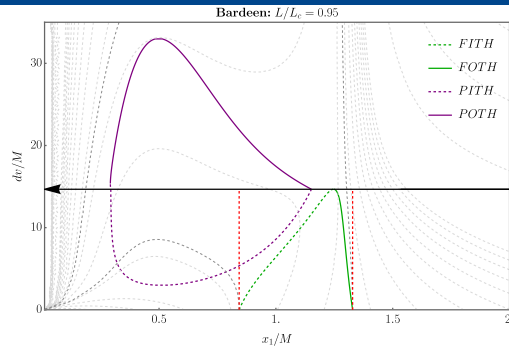
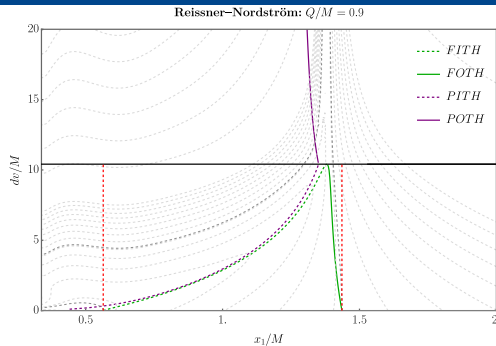
$$\frac{d\theta_-}{dx_1} = \frac{f(r)}{f(x_1)} \left[\theta_-^2 + \frac{16\pi}{r^2} \frac{\langle T_{u_2 u_2}^{(2D)} \rangle}{f(r)^2} \right]$$

Start from $\theta_- = -1/r$. A *negative* T_{uu} pushes θ_- up through zero $\Rightarrow$ **anti-trapped region**.

A *positive* T_{uu} pushes it back $\Rightarrow$ the WH region evaporates.

Transverse fluxes kill a region; parallel fluxes create the next one.

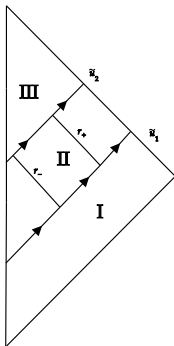
The anti-trapped region: unbounded (RN) vs finite-lived (regular)



Conjecture

RN (left): the anti-trapped region grows without bound. **Regular cores (right):** PITH and POTH merge, **finite WH lifetime**. Any BH with inner *and* outer horizons generates an anti-trapped region; **regularity of the core** is what lets the WH evaporate in turn.

The white hole: same computation, roles exchanged



Two *outgoing* shells; region II is anti-trapped.
Everything follows from $v \leftrightarrow -u$.

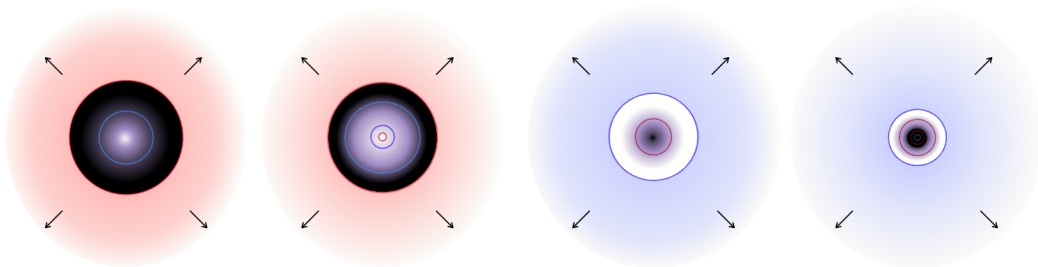
BH / WH dictionary

	Evanescent BH	Evanescent WH
Evaporating flux	$T_{vv} = -\kappa_h^2/48\pi$	$T_{uu} = -\kappa_h^2/48\pi$
Amplified flux	$T_{uu} \sim e^{2 \kappa_- \Delta v}$	$T_{vv} \sim e^{2\kappa_+\Delta u}$
Amplifier	inner horizon r_-	outer horizon r_+
Triggers	WH formation	new BH formation

The exponentially amplified *ingoing* flux of the WH, if positive and large enough, drives θ_+ through zero: a **new trapped region** is seeded.

(Semiclassical counterpart of the classical Eardley instability of WH exteriors.)

A self-propelled cascade



Each region radiates while seeding the next one $\Rightarrow$ the cascade is **naturally damped**. Plausible end-state: a horizon-free (bouncing) geometry, *with no genuine quantum-gravity dynamics invoked*.

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Next:

- Self-consistent evolution (RSET in Vaidya spacetime).
- Beyond Polyakov: greybody factors, higher multipoles.
- Quantitative cascade lifetimes; Kerr.

Thank you!

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Backup slides

Phenomenology: timescales and observables

Lifetime of the trapped region

	Hawking	inner-horizon driven
scaling	$\mathcal{O}(M^3)$	$\mathcal{O}(M^n), n \gtrsim 2$
$M = M_\odot$	$\sim 10^{63} \text{ yr}$	$\sim 10^{25} \text{ yr}$
explodes today	$M \sim 10^{12} \text{ kg}$	$M \sim 10^{23} \text{ kg}$

Potential observables

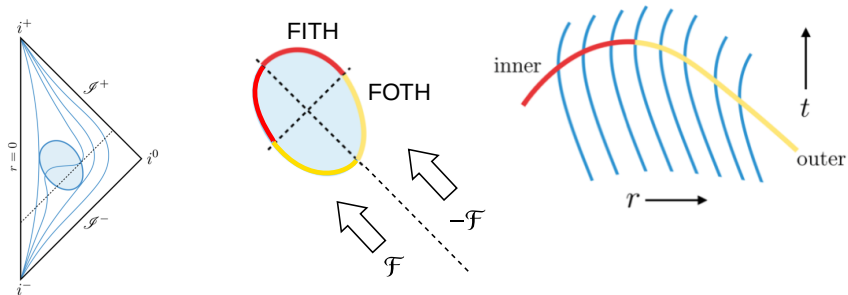
- At the end of each phase the stored energy is released as a **highly collimated pulse** at $u_3 = \tilde{v}_2 - 2r_h$.
- The cascade sends an alternating sequence of *negative and positive* fluxes to $\mathcal{I}^+$, with sign structure fixed by $f^{(3)}(r)$, i.e. by the **core**.

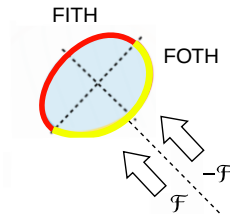
Take-home

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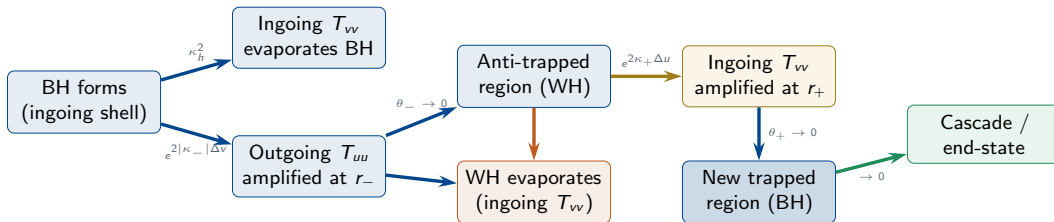
- Still *far* longer than the age of the Universe for astrophysical masses: **longevity is safe**.
- But $\mathcal{O}(M^2) \ll$ Page time: the trapped region opens **before** the Page time [4].
- The PBH mass window for bursts shifts by ~ 11 orders of magnitude.

Backup: trapped region in detail





A trapping horizon is spacelike (timelike) when the energy flux crossing it is positive (negative) — i.e. when the NEC is satisfied (violated).



Backup: the 2D Polyakov RSET

In conformal coordinates $ds^2 = -e^{2\sigma} dx^+ dx^-$:

$$\langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{\pm\pm} | \Psi \rangle^{2D} = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{12\pi} [(\partial_{\pm}\sigma)^2 - \partial_{\pm}^2\sigma]}_{\text{geometric term } \Theta_{\pm\pm}(\sigma)} \underbrace{- \frac{t_{\pm}(x^{\pm})}{12\pi}}_{\text{state-dependent term}}$$

Geometric part

Determined solely by the conformal factor σ .
Corresponds to the zero-temperature **Boulware vacuum**: $t_{\pm} = 0$.

State-dependent part

$t_{\pm}(x^{\pm})$ are freely specifiable — they encode the choice of vacuum (Boulware, Unruh, Hartle–Hawking, $|in\rangle$, ...).

Backup: two-dimensional RSET, explicit form

In $ds^2 = -e^{2\rho(u,v)} du dv$:

$$\langle \hat{T}_{uu} \rangle = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{12\pi}(\partial_u^2 \rho - (\partial_u \rho)^2)}_{\text{geometric}} - \underbrace{\frac{t_u(u)}{12\pi}}_{\text{state}}$$

$$\langle \hat{T}_{vv} \rangle = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{12\pi}(\partial_v^2 \rho - (\partial_v \rho)^2)}_{\text{geometric}} - \underbrace{\frac{t_v(v)}{12\pi}}_{\text{state}}$$

$$\langle \hat{T}_{uv} \rangle = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{12\pi} \partial_u \partial_v \rho}_{\text{geometric}} \propto R^{2D}$$

Note: $ds^2 = -f dt^2 + dr^2/f = -f du dv$ only for **static** spacetimes.

Choice of the state

- Boulware $\rightarrow t_u = t_v = 0$
- General vacuum (quantization w.r.t. (u_i, v_i)):

$$t_{u_i}(u) = \{u_i, u\}, \quad t_{v_i}(v) = \{v_i, v\}$$

with $\{f, x\} = \frac{f'''}{f'} - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{f''}{f'} \right)^2$

Backup: changing the quantum state

Under a change of null coordinates $\tilde{x}_{\tilde{a}} \rightarrow x_a$:

$$\langle x_{\pm} | \hat{T}_{\tilde{a}\tilde{b}} | x_{\pm} \rangle = \Theta_{\tilde{a}\tilde{b}}(\tilde{\sigma}) - \frac{1}{24\pi} \{x_a, \tilde{x}_{\tilde{a}}\} \delta_{ab} \delta_{\tilde{a}\tilde{b}}$$

How to read this

- $\Theta_{\tilde{a}\tilde{b}}$: geometric (Boulware) part, fixed by the metric.
- $\{x_a, \tilde{x}_{\tilde{a}}\}$: Schwarzian of the coordinate map — encodes the **state**.

State dictionary

State	x_+	x_-
Boulware	u	v
Unruh	$U = -e^{-\kappa u}$	v
HH	$U = -e^{-\kappa u}$	$V = e^{\kappa v}$
$ in\rangle$	u_1	v

Backup: regularity of the RSET on horizons

Finiteness in the ingoing (outgoing) Eddington–Finkelstein frame requires:

Future (BH) horizons:

$$\langle T_{uu} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \frac{\langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{uu} | \Psi \rangle}{f^2} < \infty,$$

$$\langle T_{uv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \frac{\langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{uv} | \Psi \rangle}{f} < \infty,$$

$$\langle T_{vv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{vv} | \Psi \rangle < \infty.$$

Past (WH) horizons:

$$\langle T_{uu} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = \langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{uu} | \Psi \rangle < \infty,$$

$$\langle T_{uv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = \frac{\langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{uv} | \Psi \rangle}{f} < \infty,$$

$$\langle T_{vv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = \frac{\langle \Psi | \hat{T}_{vv} | \Psi \rangle}{f^2} < \infty.$$

Free-falling observer

$$\rho_{\text{obs}}^{\text{f.f.}} = (1 + \alpha)^2 (T_{uu})_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} + 2(T_{uv})_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} + \frac{(1 - \alpha)^2}{f^2} (T_{vv})_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}}, \quad \alpha = \sqrt{1 - f(r)}.$$

Backup: strategy

- 1 **Construct a toy spacetime** using *static* metrics glued along null shells.

Why static metrics?

Exact analytic RSETs are available only in static backgrounds. The shell model still captures the causal structure of collapse and evaporation.

- 2 **Compute the RSET** in the $|in\rangle$ vacuum with the 2D Polyakov approximation.
- 3 **Analyse the backreaction**: feed $\langle \hat{T}_{\mu\nu} \rangle$ into Raychaudhuri and track $\theta_{\pm}$.

Backup: Israel matching and the $|in\rangle$ vacuum

Matching conditions

$$\frac{du_2}{du_1} = \frac{1}{f(x_1)}, \quad \frac{du_2}{du_3} = \frac{1}{f(x_2)}$$

with x_1, x_2 the shell-crossing radii of a given outgoing ray.

$|in\rangle$ vacuum

$t_{u_1}(u_1) = 0, t_v(v) = 0$: no particles in the far past.

Consequence

Crossing a shell, the state part transforms via Schwarzians:

$$t_{u_2} = \{u_1, u_2\}, \quad t_{u_3} = \{u_1, u_3\}$$

$$\{u_1, u_2\} = -\frac{1}{8}B(x_1), \quad \{u_1, u_3\} = -\frac{1}{8} \frac{B(x_1) - B(x_2)}{f(x_2)^2}$$

Backup: RSET of the evanescent BH, region by region

Region II (inside the BH):

$$\langle T_{vv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = -\frac{B(r)}{192\pi}$$

$$\langle T_{u_2 u_2} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \frac{B(x_1) - B(r)}{192\pi f(r)^2}$$

$$\langle T_{u_2 v} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \frac{f''(r)}{96\pi}$$

Region III (post-evaporation):

$$\langle T_{u_3 u_3} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \frac{B(x_1) - B(x_2)}{192\pi f(x_2)^2}$$

$$\langle T_{vv} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = 0$$

The function $B(r)$

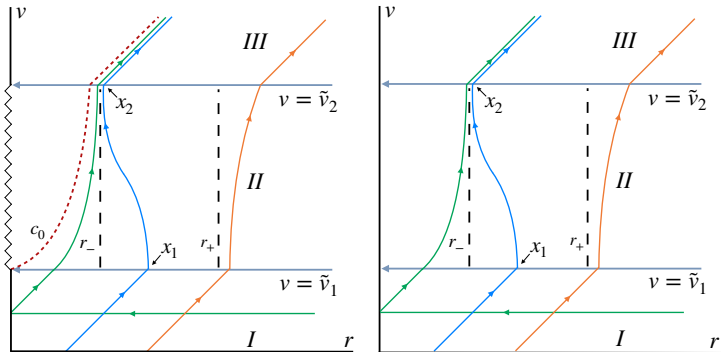
$$B(r) = f'(r)^2 - 2f(r)f''(r)$$

On a non-degenerate horizon $B(r_h) = 4\kappa_h^2$.

$\langle T_{vv} \rangle = 0$ in region III: no ingoing flux survives once the horizons are gone — the exterior settles back to flat space.

Backup: ray tracing in the interior

$$\langle T_{u_2 u_2} \rangle_{\text{phys}} = \frac{1}{f^2(r)} \int_{x_1}^{r(u_2, v)} f(r') f^{(3)}(r') dr'$$



Backup: analytic limits (BH)

Early times ($\Delta v \rightarrow 0$)

$$\langle T_{u_2 u_2} \rangle_{\text{phys}} \approx \frac{f^{(3)}(x_1)}{192\pi} (v - \tilde{v}_1)$$

- Sign set by $f^{(3)}(r)$: model-dependent.
- Energy = integral of the curvature variation along the ray.

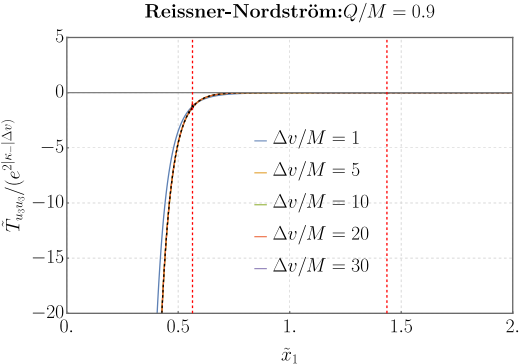
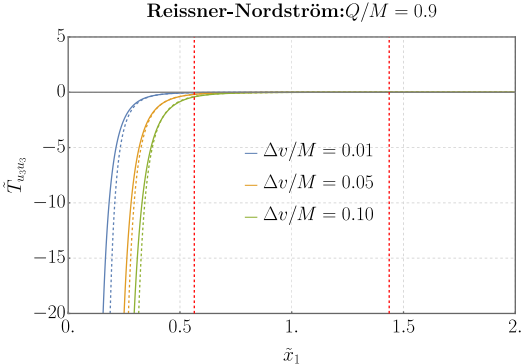
Late times ($\Delta v \rightarrow \infty$), interior

$$\langle T_{u_2 u_2} \rangle \approx \frac{f^{(3)}(r_-)}{384\pi\kappa_-} + C(x_1) e^{2|\kappa_-|(v-\tilde{v}_1)}$$

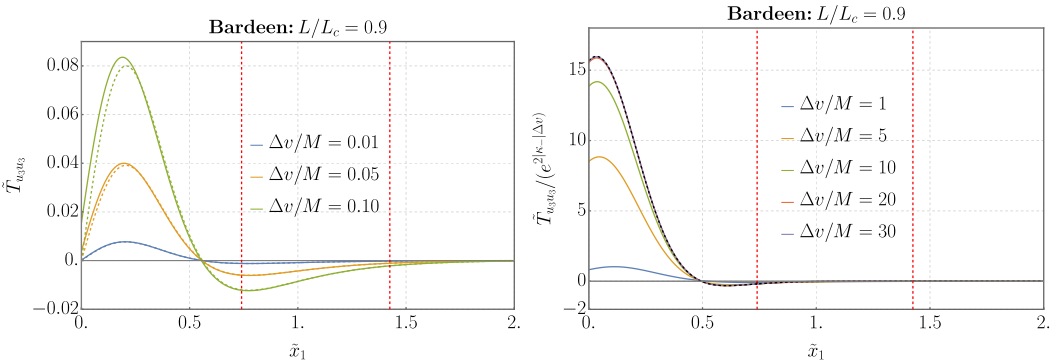
$$C(x_1) = \frac{1}{192\pi r_-^2} \left(\frac{B(x_1)}{4\kappa_-^2} - 1 \right) e^{4|\kappa_-|R_{\text{BH}}(x_1)}$$

- Controlled by the *inner* horizon κ_- .

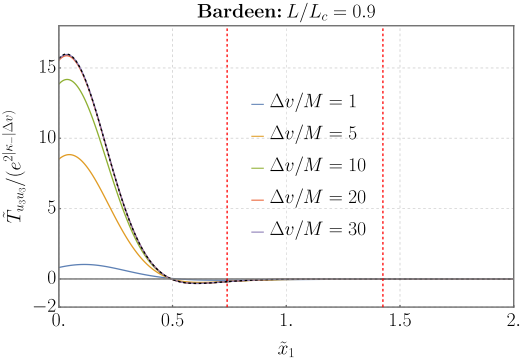
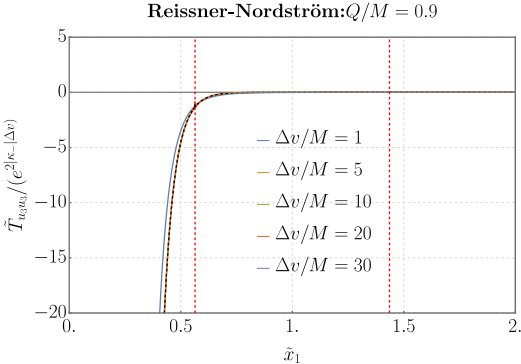
Backup: flux profiles, RN (short and long lifetimes)



Backup: flux profiles, Bardeen (short and long lifetimes)



Backup: asymptotic coefficient, RN vs Bardeen



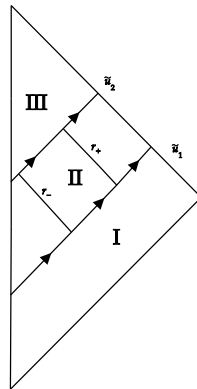
Backup: spacetime model, evanescent white hole

Outgoing shells at $\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{u}_2$; region II is anti-trapped:

Region	Metric	Content
I ($u < \tilde{u}_1$)	$-du dv_1$	flat, $ in\rangle$ vacuum
II ($\tilde{u}_1 < u < \tilde{u}_2$)	$-f(r) du dv_2$	anti-trapped region
III ($u > \tilde{u}_2$)	$-du dv_3$	post-evaporation

Israel matching:

$$\left. \frac{dv_2}{dv_1} \right|_{\tilde{u}_1} = \frac{1}{f(y_1)}, \quad \left. \frac{dv_2}{dv_3} \right|_{\tilde{u}_2} = \frac{1}{f(y_2)}$$



Backup: RSET of the white hole

Region II (inside the WH):

$$\langle T_{uu} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = -\frac{B(r)}{192\pi}$$

$$\langle T_{v_2 v_2} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = \frac{B(y_1) - B(r)}{192\pi f(r)^2}$$

Region III (post-evaporation):

$$\langle T_{v_3 v_3} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = \frac{B(y_1) - B(y_2)}{192\pi f(y_2)^2}$$

$$\langle T_{uu} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{WH}} = 0$$

Time-reversal

$$u \leftrightarrow -v, \quad x_i \leftrightarrow y_i, \quad T_{uu} \leftrightarrow T_{vv}$$

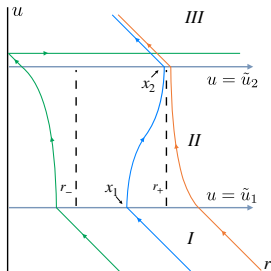
On horizons:

$$\langle T_{uu} \rangle|_{r_h} = -\frac{\kappa_h^2}{48\pi}, \quad \langle T_{v_3 v_3} \rangle|_{r_h} \propto \frac{f^{(3)}(r_h)}{\kappa_h} [1 - e^{2\kappa_h u}]$$

$$\text{POTH } (\kappa_h > 0): \quad \langle T_{v_3 v_3} \rangle \sim e^{2\kappa_h u} \rightarrow \infty.$$

Backup: ray tracing and analytic limits (WH)

$$\langle T_{v_2 v_2} \rangle = -\frac{1}{f^2(r)} \int_{y_1}^{r(u, v_2)} f(r') f^{(3)}(r') dr'$$



Early times ($\Delta u \rightarrow 0$)

$$\langle T_{v_3 v_3} \rangle \approx -\frac{f^{(3)}(y_1)}{192\pi} \Delta u$$

The minus sign reflects the time-reversed kinematics.

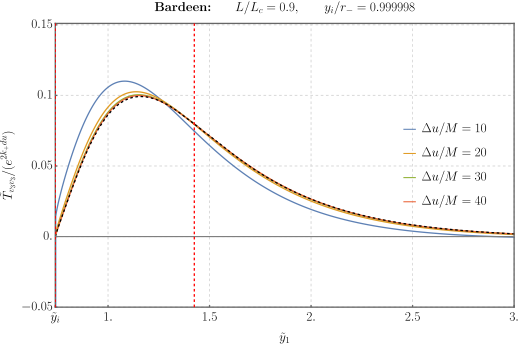
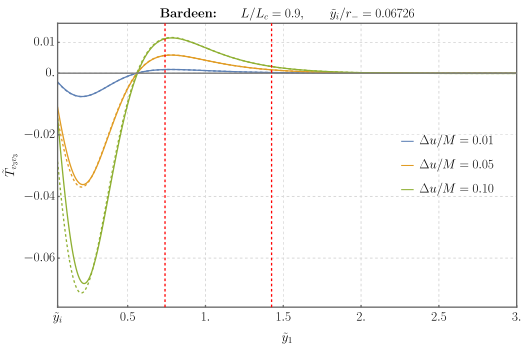
Late times ($\Delta u \rightarrow \infty$)

$$\langle T_{v_3 v_3} \rangle \approx \frac{f^{(3)}(r_+)}{384\pi\kappa_+} + C(y_1) e^{2\kappa_+ \Delta u}$$

$$C(y_1) = \frac{1}{192\pi r_+^2} \left(\frac{B(y_1)}{4\kappa_+^2} - 1 \right) e^{-4\kappa_+ R_{\text{WH}}(y_1)}$$

Controlled by the *outer* horizon.

Backup: ingoing fluxes of the Bardeen white hole



Backup: null expansions I – evaporation

The outgoing expansion θ_+ is sourced by the *ingoing* flux T_{vv} .

Region II ($\lambda_+ = v$, non-affine)

$$\frac{d\theta_{+,2}}{dv} = -\frac{1}{2}\theta_{+,2}^2 + \frac{f'(r)}{2}\theta_{+,2} - \frac{8\pi}{r^2}\langle T_{vv}^{(2D)} \rangle$$

Near a horizon $\theta_{+,2} \sim 0$:

$$\left. \frac{d\theta_{+,2}}{dv} \right|_{r_h} \simeq \frac{\kappa_h^2}{6r_h^2} > 0$$

$\Rightarrow$ FOTH inward, FITH outward: the trapped region shrinks.

Region III (affine $\lambda_+ = u_3$)

$$\frac{d\theta_{+,3}}{dv} = -\frac{\theta_{+,3}^2}{2} - \frac{8\pi}{r^2}\langle T_{vv}^{(2D)} \rangle$$

Since $\langle T_{vv} \rangle^{\text{III}} = 0$: $\theta_{+,3} = 1/r$ (Minkowski).

BH $\leftrightarrow$ WH duality

The same equation governs θ_- in the WH case ($-u \leftrightarrow v$, $T_{vv} \leftrightarrow T_{uu}$).

Backup: null expansions II – formation of a new region

The ingoing expansion θ_- is sourced by the *outgoing* flux T_{uu} .

Region II (in terms of x_1)

$$\frac{d\theta_{-,2}}{dx_1} = \frac{f(r)}{f(x_1)} \left[\theta_{-,2}^2 + \frac{16\pi}{r^2} \frac{\langle T_{u_2 u_2}^{(2D)} \rangle}{f(r)^2} \right]$$

Initially $\theta_{-,2} = -1/r$. Negative T_{uu} near r_- drives $d\theta_{-,2}/dx_1 > 0$:

- ① $\theta_- < 0$: fully trapped;
- ② $\theta_- \rightarrow 0$: anti-trapping horizon (PITH + POTH);
- ③ $\theta_- > 0$: **anti-trapped region**.

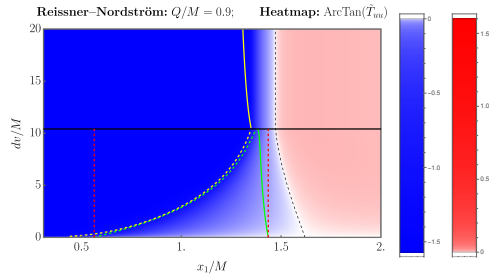
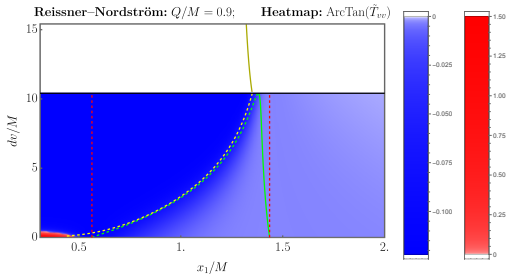
Region III

$$\frac{d\theta_{-,3}}{dx_1} = \frac{f(x_2)}{f(x_1)} \left[\theta_{-,3}^2 + \frac{16\pi}{r^2} \langle T_{u_3 u_3}^{(2D)} \rangle \right]$$

The 4D factor $1/r^2$ progressively damps the frozen flux $\Rightarrow$ finite anti-trapped region.

WH case (by duality): same equation for θ_+ sourced by T_{vv} ; positive T_{vv} near r_+ drives $\theta_+ \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ **new trapped region**.

Backup: RSET heatmaps – Reissner–Nordström

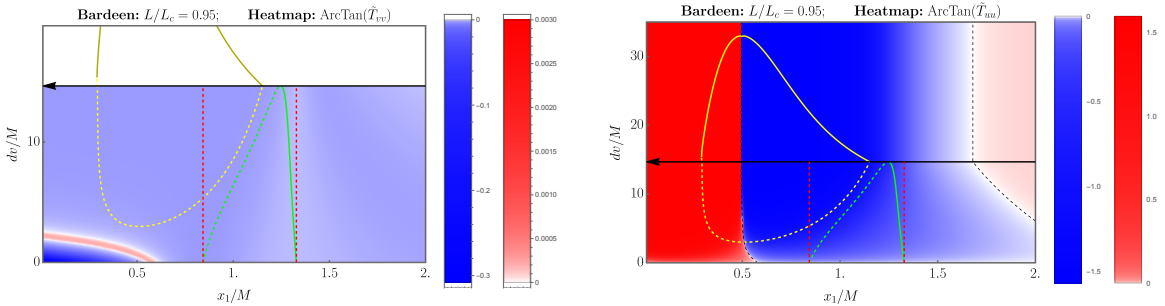


Ingoing (left) and outgoing (right) RSET in the (x_1, dv) plane, overlaid with the marginal surfaces (trapped in green, anti-trapped in yellow; solid = outer, dashed = inner).

What to read off

The ingoing flux is negative throughout $\Rightarrow$ the trapped region only shrinks. The outgoing flux is negative and diverges at $x_1 \rightarrow 0 \Rightarrow$ the anti-trapped region expands without bound.

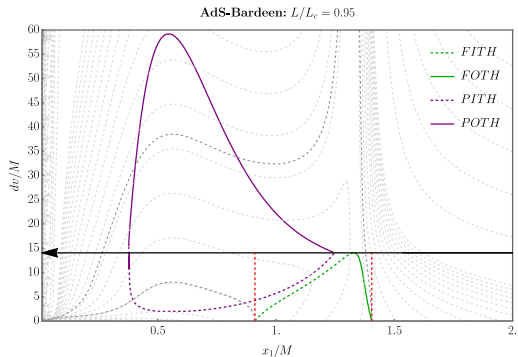
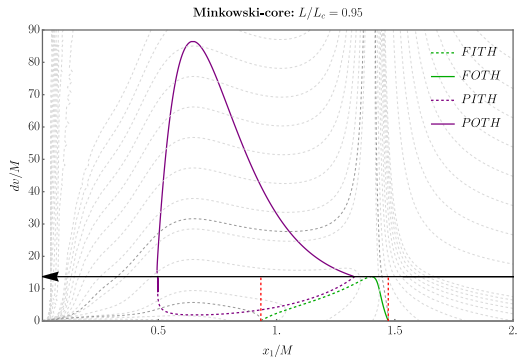
Backup: RSET heatmaps – Bardeen



Same quantities as in the RN case, for the Bardeen regular black hole.

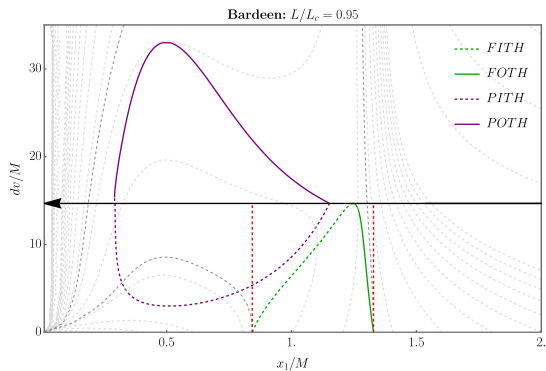
What to read off

The outgoing flux (right) changes sign at small x_1 : the anti-trapped region expands where it is negative and *contracts* where it is positive. This is what gives the WH region a finite lifetime.



Minkowski core (left) and AdS-core Bardeen (right): different flux profiles, same qualitative fate for the anti-trapped region.





Backup: Schwarzschild does not transition

For $f = 1 - 2M/r$ one has $f^{(3)}(r) = 12M/r^4 > 0$ everywhere, so

$$\langle T_{u_2 u_2} \rangle_{\text{phys}}^{\text{BH}} = \frac{1}{192\pi} \int_{\tilde{v}_1}^v f^2 f^{(3)} dv' \geq 0 \quad \text{everywhere in II and III.}$$

Consequence

θ_- can never cross zero: **no anti-trapped region forms**. The single-horizon case does not transition — and, on the FOTH, the bracket $[1 - e^{-2\kappa_h(v-\tilde{v}_1)}]$ saturates: **no exponential amplification**.

This also reproduces Hiscock's classic results [5] as a particular case of our general formulae.