

Searching for quantum gravity

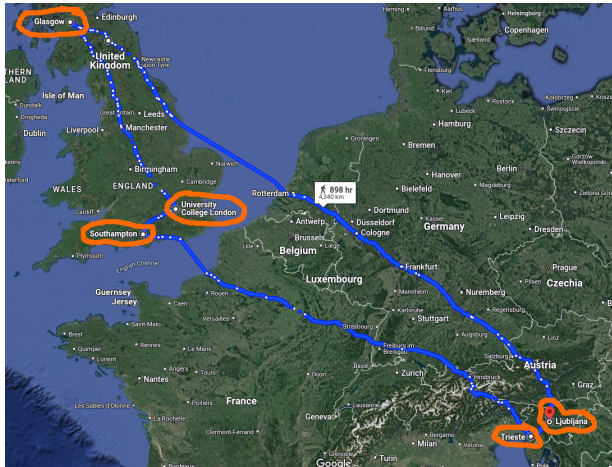
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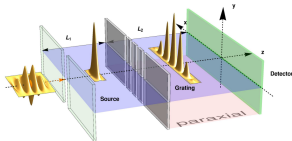
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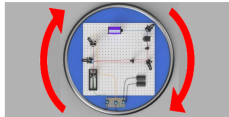
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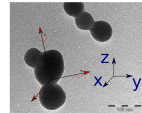
Physical systems and interesting ideas



PhysiCS SYNOPSIS



Playing a Quantum "Oldie" on a Turntable



Matterwave interferometry (*quantum to classical transition*)

Quantum optics (*rotationally induced quantum nonlocality*)

Levitated optomechanics (*exploiting rotranslational motion*)

Toroš et al. Generating quantum non-local entanglement with mechanical rotations arXiv:2407.14276 (2024)

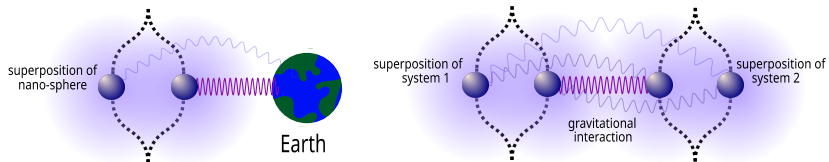
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Testing ideas about quantum gravity

- Quantum gravity entanglement of masses (QGEM)
 - *Can gravity entangle two systems?*
- Post-Newtonian QGEM
 - *What is the entangling power of gravity?*
- Quantized gravitational waves
 - *When can a physical system emit gravitons?*
- Quantum light bending
 - *Can we test the spin of gravity at the quantum level?*

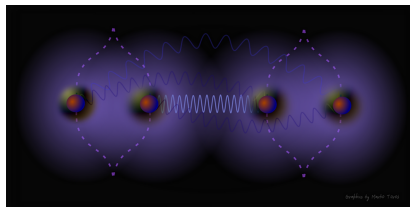
How to test quantum gravity?



Source and probe of the gravitational interaction.

Bose et al. Spin entanglement witness for quantum gravity. Phys. Rev. Lett. 119, 240401 (2017)

Gravitationally induced entanglement



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QGEM mechanism Static case – \hat{T}_{00}

$$\Delta \hat{H}_g \equiv \int d\mathbf{k} \frac{\langle 0 | \hat{H}_{\text{int}} | \mathbf{k} \rangle \langle \mathbf{k} | \hat{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_{\mathbf{k}}}$$

$$\Delta \hat{H}_g = -\frac{16\pi G}{c^2} \int d\mathbf{k} \frac{\hat{T}_{00}^\dagger(\mathbf{k}) \hat{T}_{00}(\mathbf{k})}{8c^2 \mathbf{k}^2}$$

$$\Delta \hat{H}_g = -\frac{Gm^2}{|\hat{\mathbf{r}}_A - \hat{\mathbf{r}}_B|}$$

$$\hat{H}_{AB} \equiv \frac{2Gm^2}{d^3} \delta \hat{x}_A \delta \hat{x}_B$$

Bose et al. Mechanism for the quantum natured gravitons to entangle masses. Phys. Rev. D 105, 106028 (2022)

Non-static case – $\hat{T}_{00}, \hat{T}_{01}, \hat{T}_{11}$

$$\Delta \hat{H}_g \equiv \int d\mathbf{k} \frac{\langle 0 | \hat{H}_{\text{int}} | \mathbf{k} \rangle \langle \mathbf{k} | \hat{H}_{\text{int}} | 0 \rangle}{E_0 - E_{\mathbf{k}}}$$

$$\hat{H}_{AB} = \frac{Gm^2}{d^3} \hat{x}_A \hat{x}_B + \frac{G\hat{p}_A \hat{p}_B}{c^2 d} - \frac{G\hat{p}_A^2 \hat{p}_B^2}{c^4 m^2 d} + \dots$$

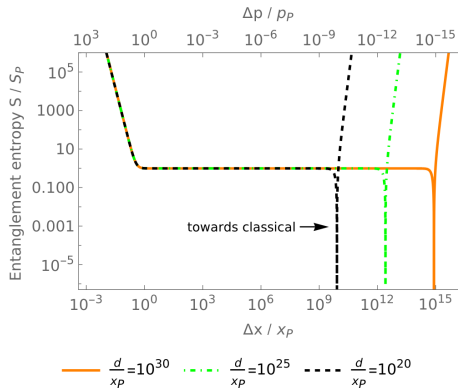
• Entangling power?

- $\frac{Gm^2}{d^3} \hat{x}_A \hat{x}_B, \frac{G\hat{p}_A^2 \hat{p}_B^2}{c^4 m^2 d} \rightarrow$ "U shape"

- $\frac{Gm^2}{d^3} \hat{x}_A \hat{x}_B + \frac{G\hat{p}_A \hat{p}_B}{c^2 d} = \hbar g_- \underbrace{(\hat{a}\hat{b} + \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b}^\dagger)}_{\text{TMS}} + \hbar g_+ \underbrace{(\hat{a}\hat{b}^\dagger + \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{b})}_{\text{BS}}$

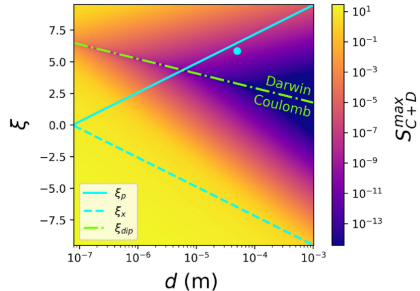
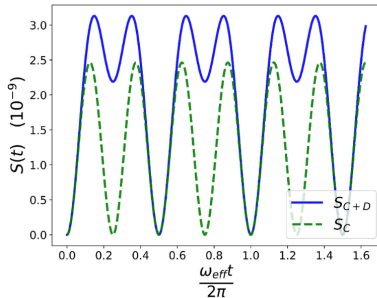
$$g_- = \frac{Gm}{d^3 \omega_m} - \frac{2Gm\omega_m}{c^2 d}, \rightarrow$$
 "Dips"

Relativistic dips in the entangling power of gravity



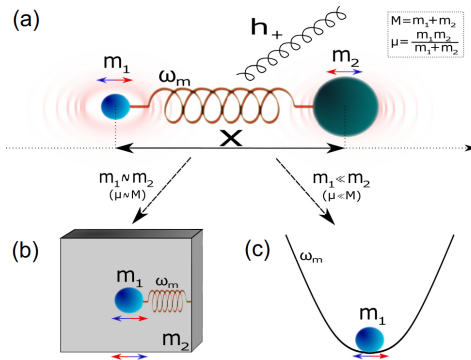
Toroš et al. Relativistic Dips in Entangling Power of Gravity. arXiv:2405.04661(2024); (2024)

Relativistic dips in the entangling power of electromagnetism



Toroš et al. Relativistic effects on entangled single-electron traps Phys. Rev. D 110, 056031 (2024)

Classical emission from a linear quadrupole



Center-of-mass decoupled from GWs, while *relative motion* coupled to GWs.

Quantized gravitational waves

Master equation for graviton emission

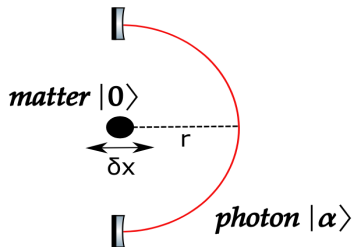
$$\frac{d}{dt} \hat{\rho}_t = \gamma_{\text{grav}} \left(\hat{b}^2 \hat{\rho}_t \hat{b}^{\dagger 2} - \frac{1}{2} \{ \hat{b}^{\dagger 2} \hat{b}^2, \hat{\rho}_t \} \right), \quad \gamma_{\text{grav}} = \frac{32}{15} t_{\text{Pl}}^2 \omega_{\text{m}}^3$$

- classical quadrupole radiation is recovered exactly for $|\alpha\rangle$ with $|\alpha|^2 \gg 1$
 - $\dot{E} = -\frac{16Gt^2\omega_{\text{m}}^6}{15c^2}$,
- relative motion is only allowed transitions by two energy levels
 - $|n\rangle \rightarrow |n-2\rangle$
- coherence protection for special relative motion states
 - $\frac{|0\rangle+|1\rangle}{\sqrt{2}}$ is a steady state
- complete coherence protection for the center of mass
 - set $\omega_{\text{m}} = 0$ to find $\gamma_{\text{grav}} = 0$

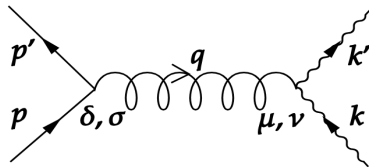
Toroš et al. Loss of coherence and coherence protection from a graviton bath Phys. Rev. D 109, 084050 (2024)

Quantum light bending effect

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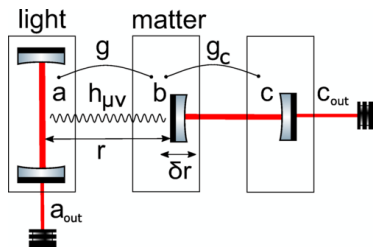


(b)



Testing the spin of the gravitational interaction at the quantum level.

Quantum light bending effect



Gravitational optomechanical interaction

$$\hat{V} = -\hbar g_0 (\hat{b} + \hat{b}^\dagger) \hat{a}^\dagger \hat{a}, \quad g_0 = \frac{4Gm\omega}{r^2 c^2} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar}{2m\omega_m}}$$

- entanglement entropy and light-enhanced optomechanical coupling

- $S = 2g^2 \tau^2, \quad g = g_0 |\alpha|$

Biswas et al Gravitational optomechanics: Photon-matter entanglement via graviton exchange
 Phys. Rev. D 108, 064023 (2023)

Summary

Main message

Gravitationally induced entanglement as a test of quantum gravity

- PostNewtonian effects
 - dips in entangling power
- quantized GWs
 - coherence protection $\sim |0\rangle + |1\rangle$
- quantum light bending
 - testing the spin of the interaction



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