

# Hawking radiation and Backreaction

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Funzioni di correlazione per lo studio della radiazione  
di Hawking nei condensati di Bose-Einstein

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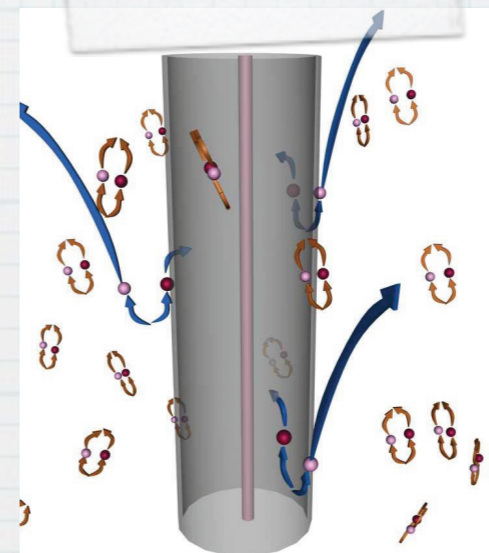
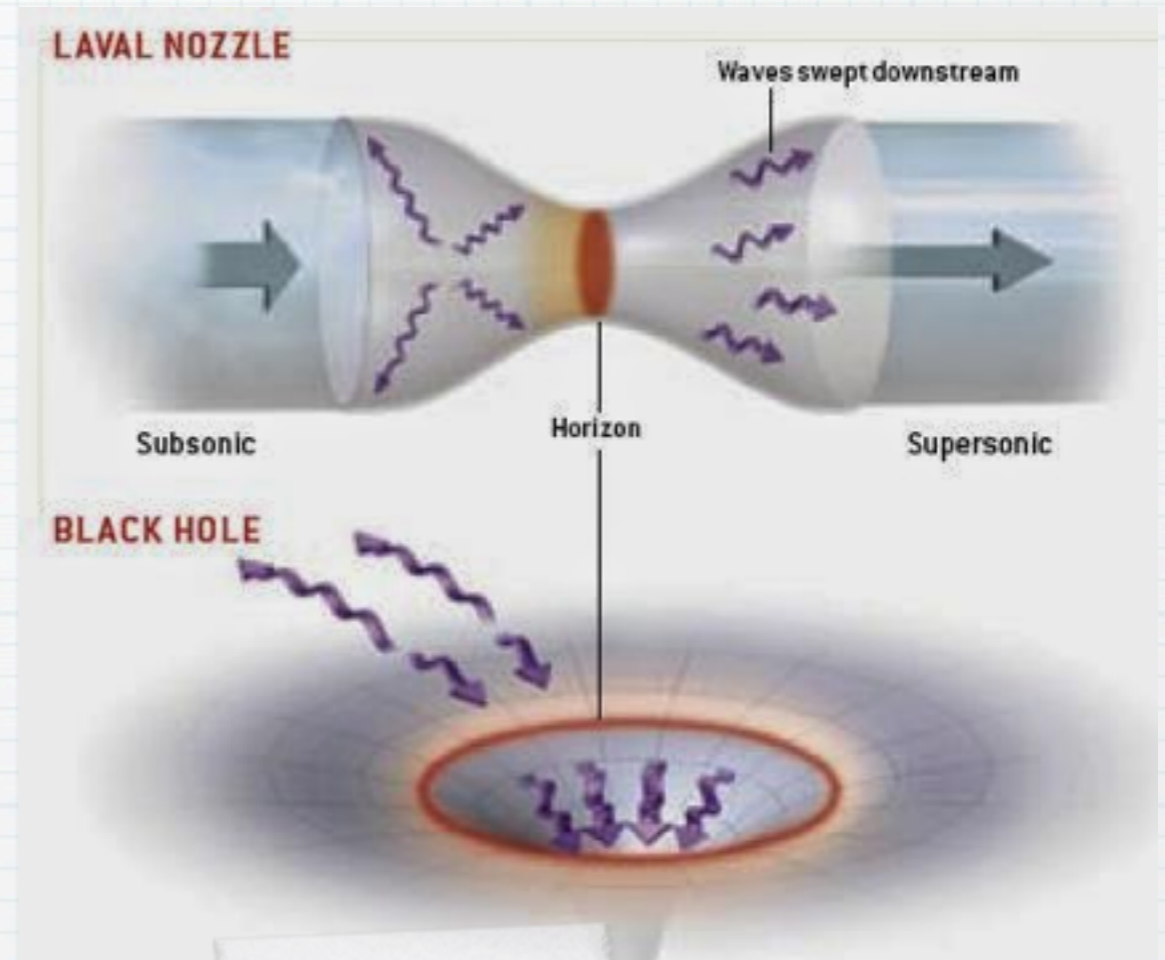
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# Reproducing a black hole in the lab

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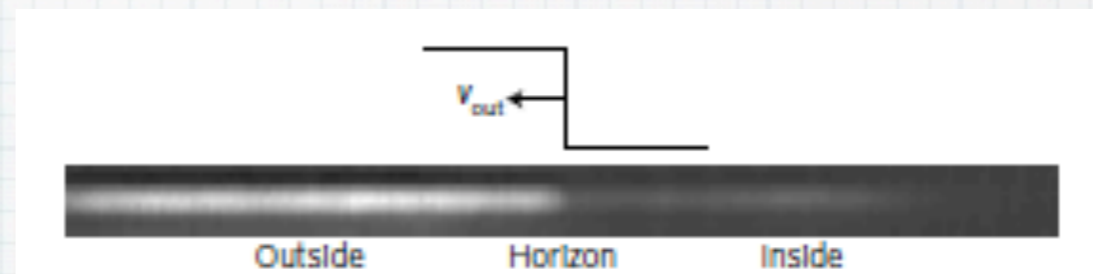
- \* An analog black hole can be realized with a transonic flow
- \* Both systems - bh and analog bh - have a (event or acoustic) **horizon**
- \* **Hawking radiation**, quantum particle creation by the horizon, can be tested in the lab!



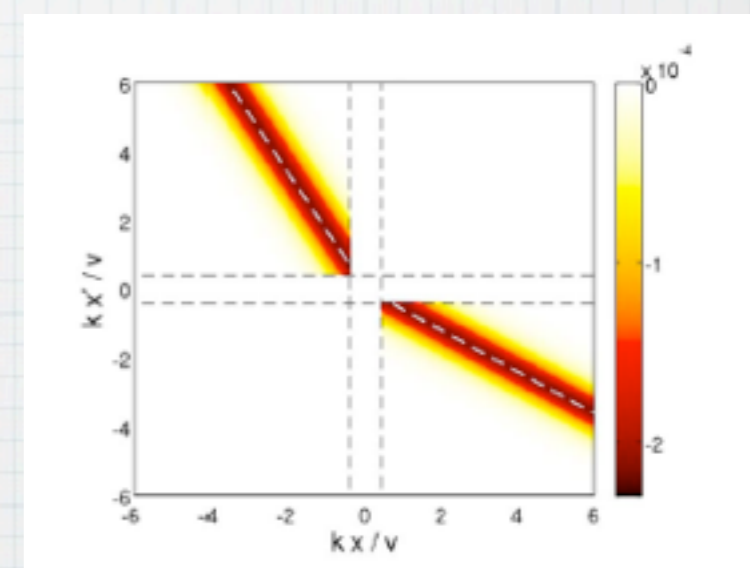
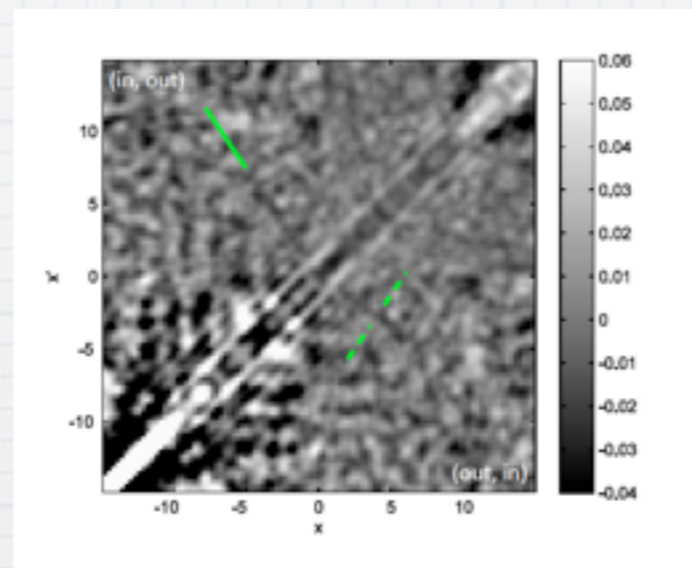
Hawking, 1974

# Hawking radiation in Bose-Einstein condensates

Steinhauer, Nat. Phys. 2016



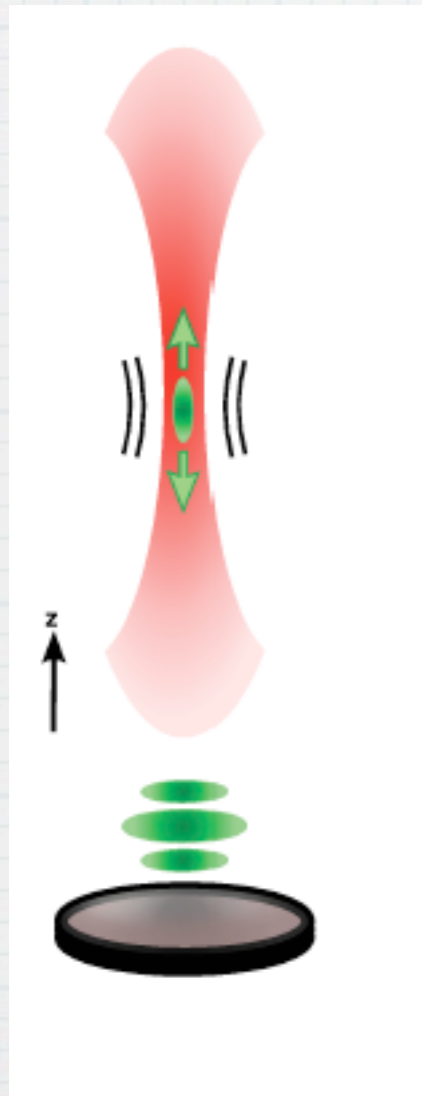
- \* An acoustic bh in a BEC was created with a (moving) step potential
- \* He measured the Hawking quanta-partner peak in the **density correlator**



Balbinot, F., Fagnocchi, Recati, Carusotto, PRA 2008

# Momentum correlators: motivation

Westbrook et al., PRL 2012



- \* The confining potential of the BEC was varied in time
- \* Particles were collected after opening of the trap with the TOF (time of flight) technique

typically  $10^5$  atoms  
time of flight  $\sim 300$  ms  
width of TOF  $\sim 10$  ms  
We record  $x, y, t$  for every detected atom.

Get velocity distribution and correlation function.

By 'phonon evaporation' excitations are converted into particles with

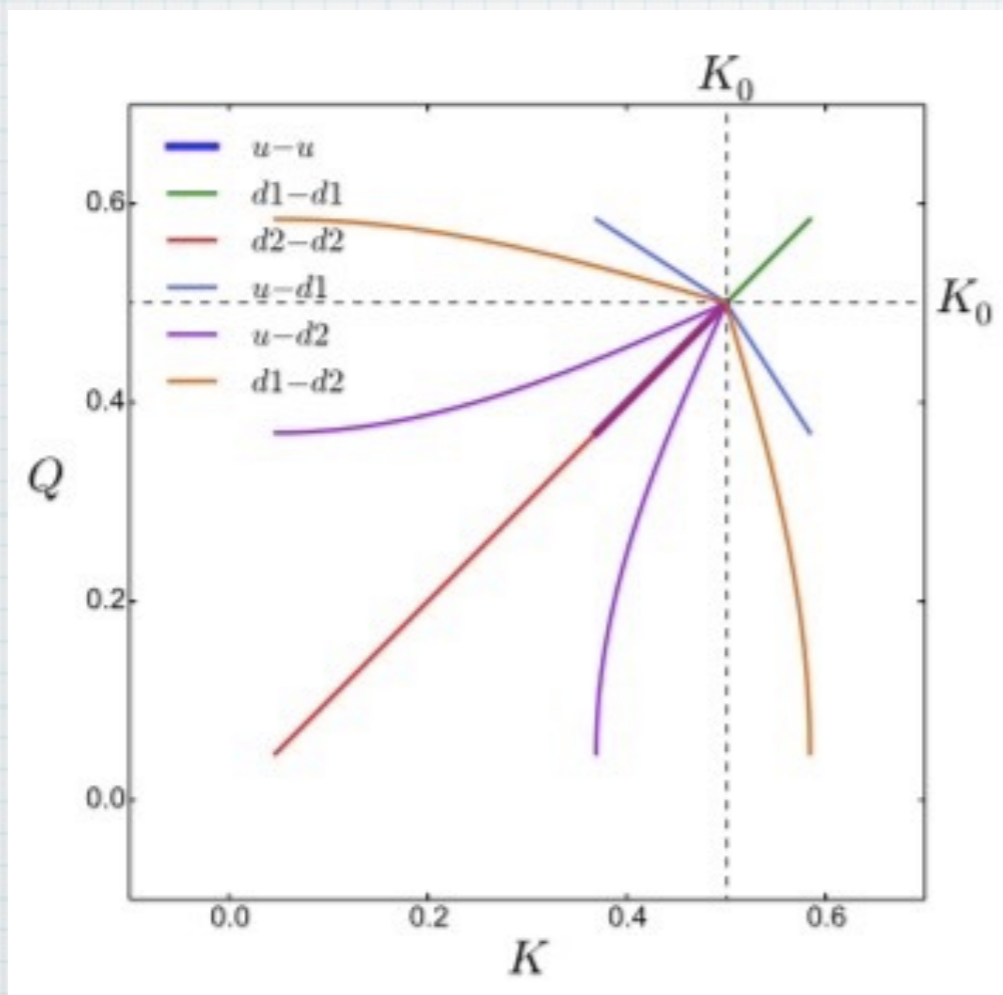
$$v = \hbar k / m$$

# Momentum correlators: theoretical results

A.F. N. Pavloff, arXiv:1712.07842

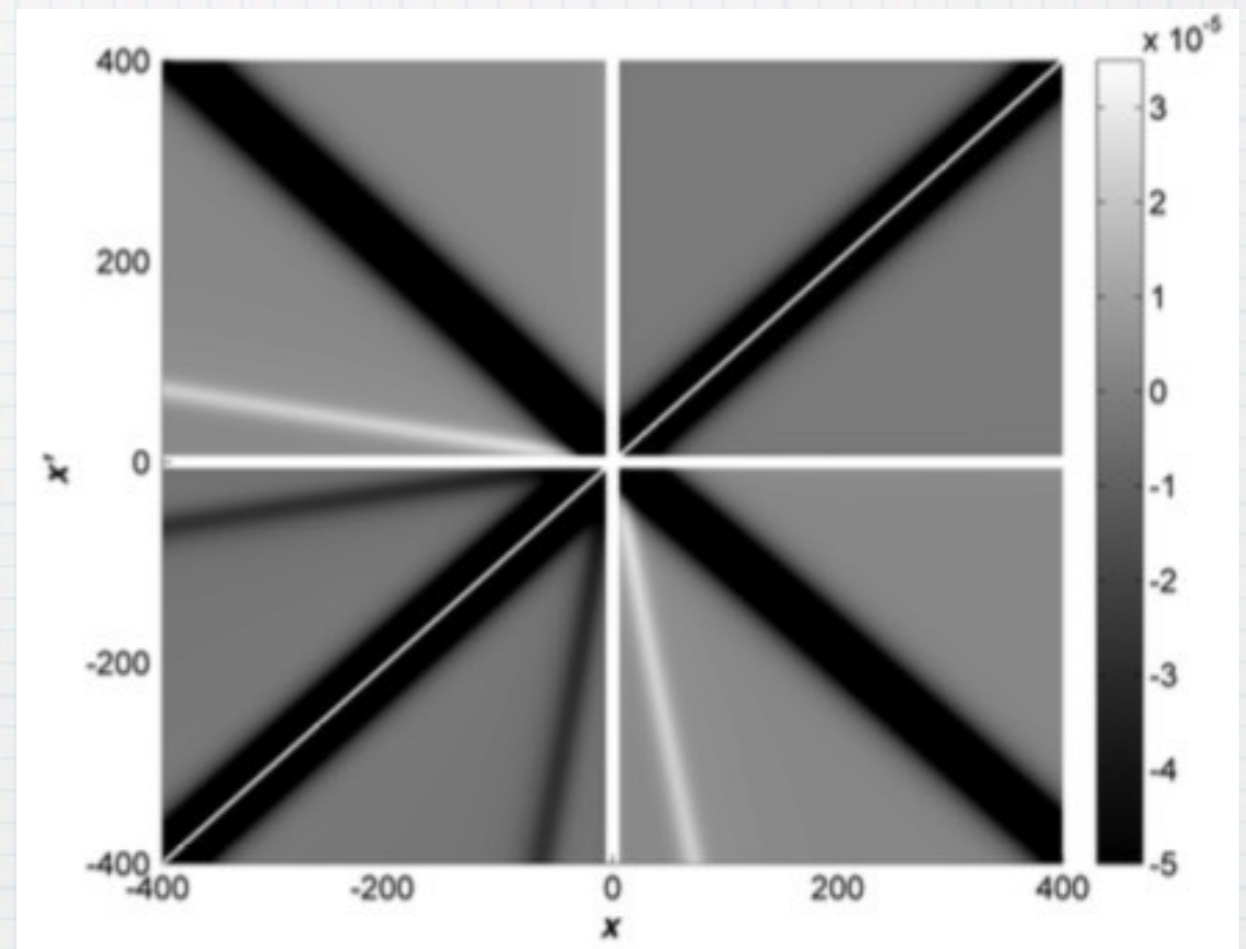
$$g_2(p, q) = \frac{\langle : \hat{n}(p) \hat{n}(q) : \rangle}{\langle \hat{n}(p) \rangle \langle \hat{n}(q) \rangle}$$

nontrivial features



vs  $G^{(2)}(t; x, x') = \langle \hat{n}(x) \hat{n}(x') \rangle$

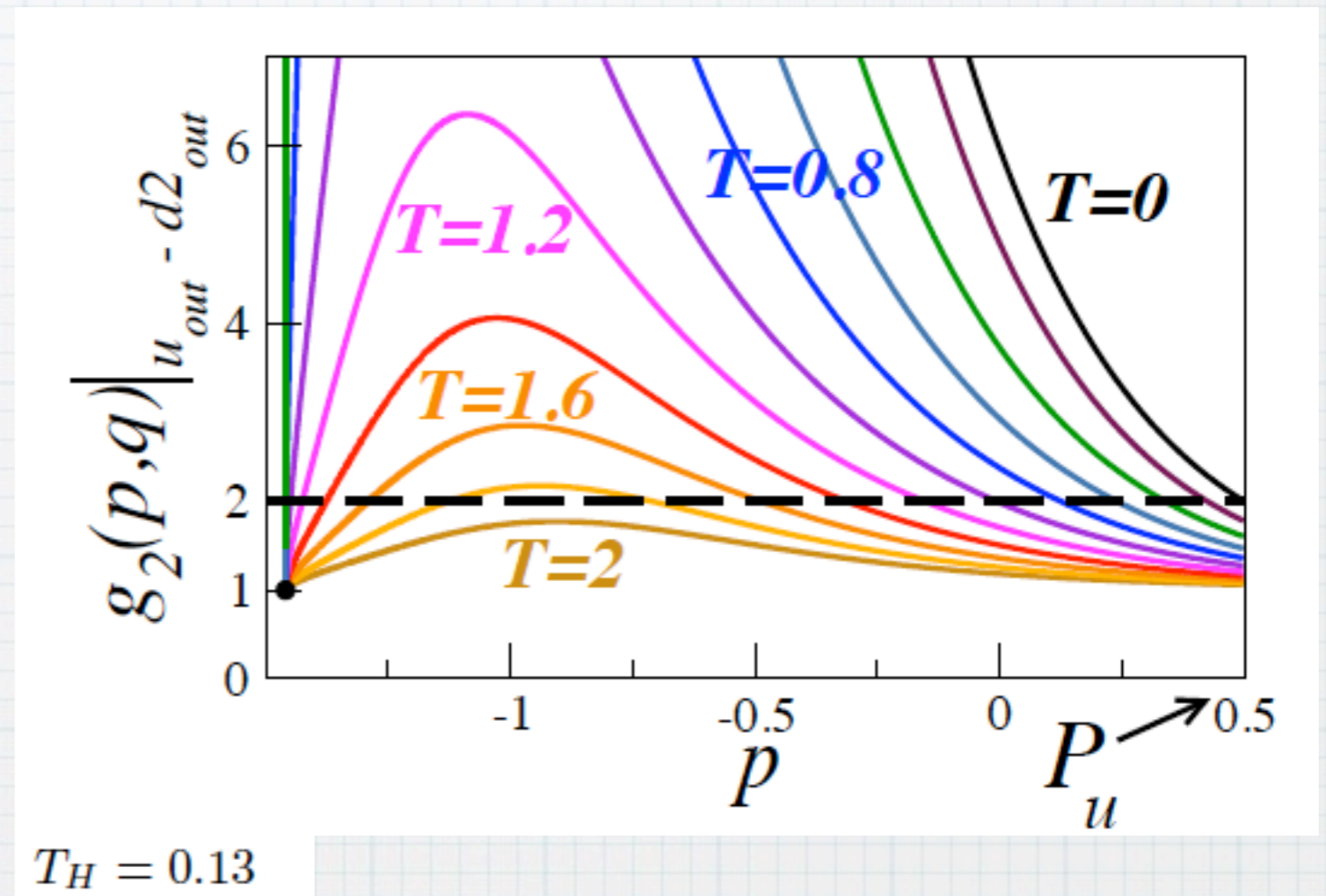
density correlator



Anderson, Balbinot, F. Parentani, PRD 2013

# Entanglement of the Hawking pairs

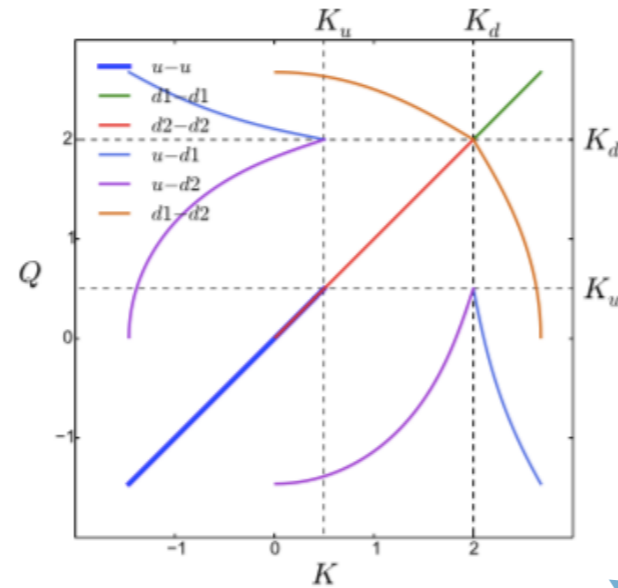
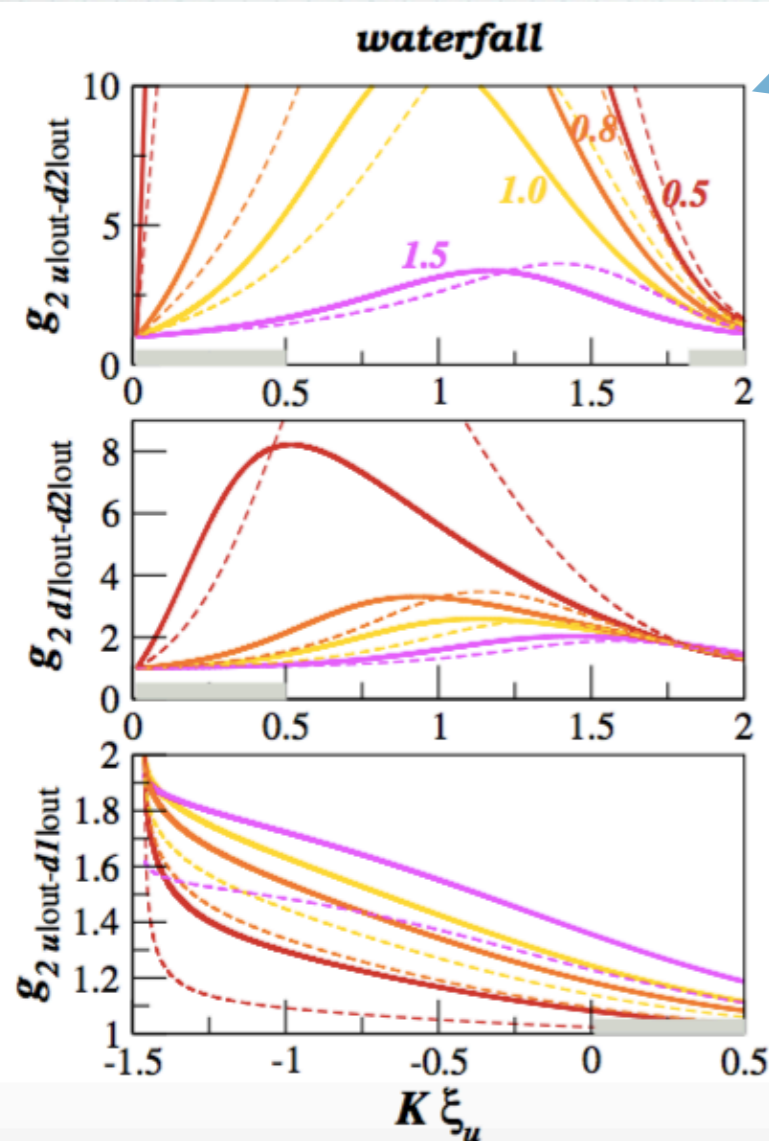
- \* the quantum signature in analog HR can be found in **momentum space correlators** (Bell-like inequality  $g_2 > 2$ )
- \* this allows to establish the presence of spontaneous HR



D. Boiron, A.F. P.E. Larré, N. Pavloff, C. Westbrook, P. Zin, PRL 2015  
(Editor's suggestion)

# Best signal/model to detect entanglement

The Hawking quanta-partner ( $u-d2$ ) signal is the most appropriate signal to detect entanglement



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## Momentum correlations as signature of sonic Hawking radiation in Bose-Einstein condensates

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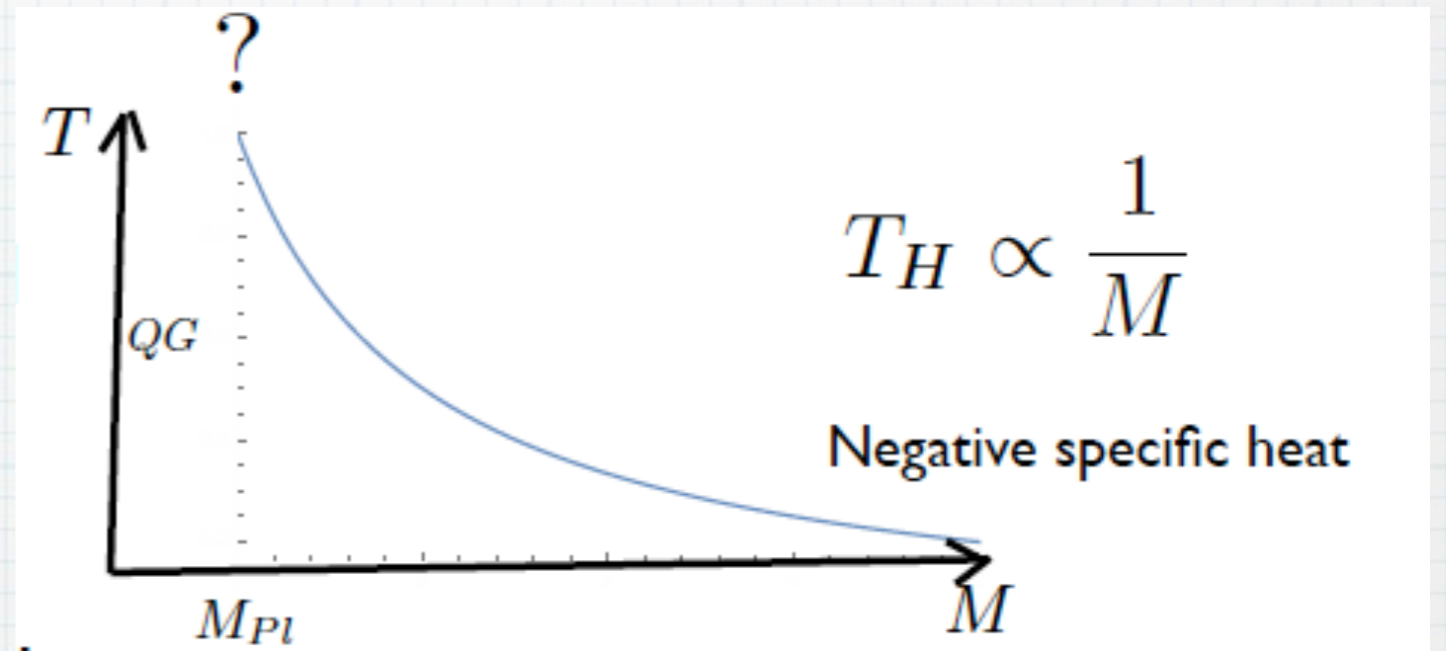
### Abstract

We study the two-body momentum correlation signal in a quasi one dimensional Bose-Einstein condensate in the presence of a sonic horizon. We identify the relevant correlation lines in momentum space and compute the intensity of the corresponding signal. We consider a set of different experimental procedures and identify the specific issues of each measuring process. We show that some inter-channel correlations, in particular the Hawking quantum/partner one, are particularly well adapted for witnessing quantum non-separability, being resilient to the effects of temperature and/or quantum quenches.

The best model is the one used by Steinhauer ('waterfall' [Pavloff et al., 2012](#)) and the same results are valid also 'in situ'

# Quantum backreaction

- \* Black holes evaporation gives rise to the information loss paradox **Hawking '76**
- \* Physical consequences can be understood by solving the backreaction equations

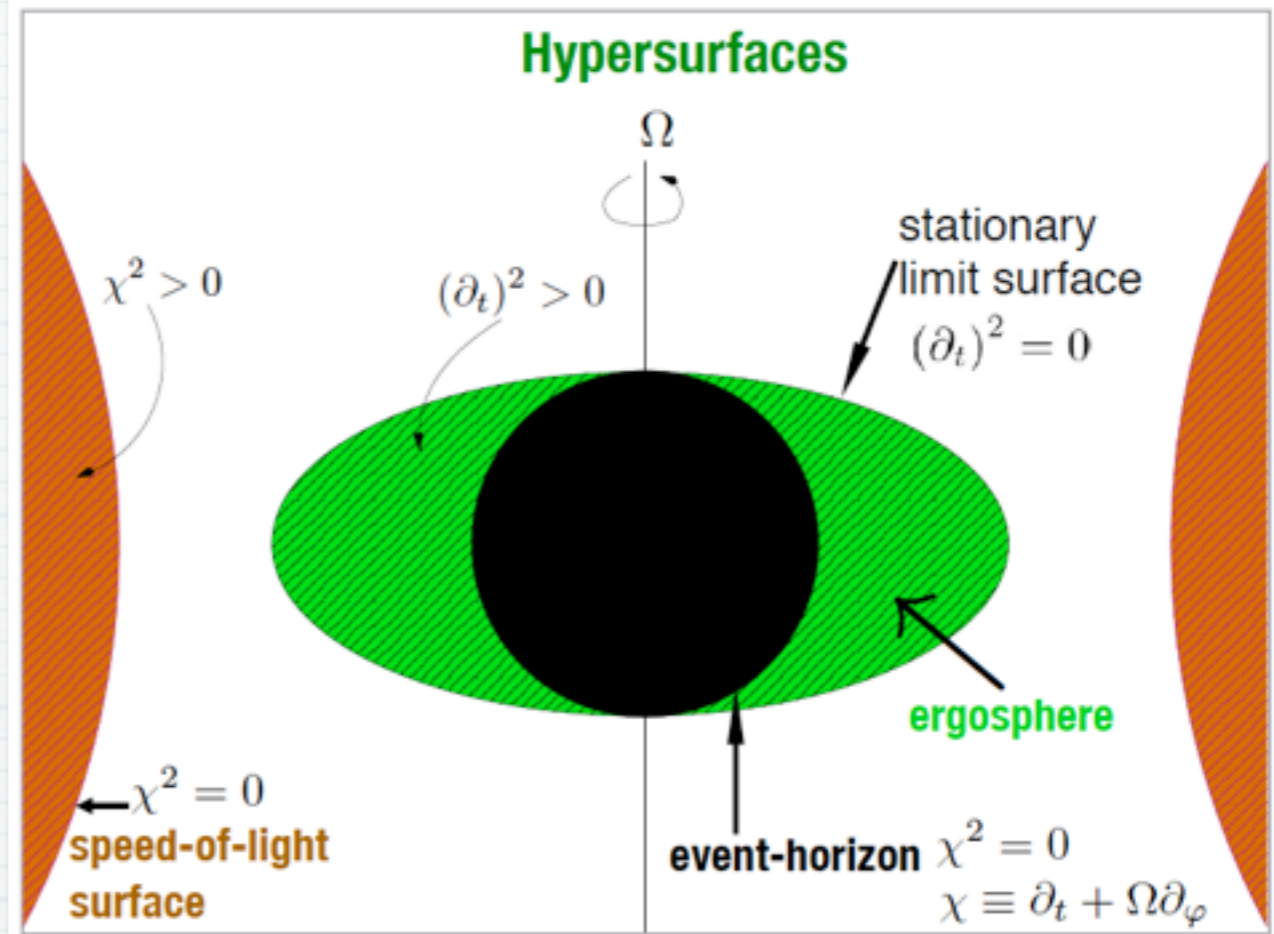


$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi \langle T_{\mu\nu} \rangle$$



# Rotating black holes

- \* In 2+1D, backreaction eqs. are solved **analytically**
- \* BHs grow and their angular velocity slows down
- \* A (small) horizon is created around naked singularities



**M. Casals, A.F., C. Martinez,  
J. Zanelli, PRL 2017**

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International Business Times, AIP Inside Science**

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## Quantum Backreaction on Three-Dimensional Black Holes and Naked Singularities

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We analytically investigate backreaction by a quantum scalar field on two rotating Bañados-Teitelboim-Zanelli (BTZ) geometries: that of a black hole and that of a naked singularity. In the former case, we explore the quantum effects on various regions of relevance for a rotating black hole space-time. We find that the quantum effects lead to a growth of both the event horizon and the radius of the ergosphere, and to a reduction of the angular velocity, compared to the unperturbed values. Furthermore, they give rise to the formation of a curvature singularity at the Cauchy horizon and show no evidence of the appearance of a superradiant instability. In the case of a naked singularity, we find that quantum effects lead to the formation of a horizon that shields it, thus supporting evidence for the rôle of quantum mechanics as a cosmic censor in nature.

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