



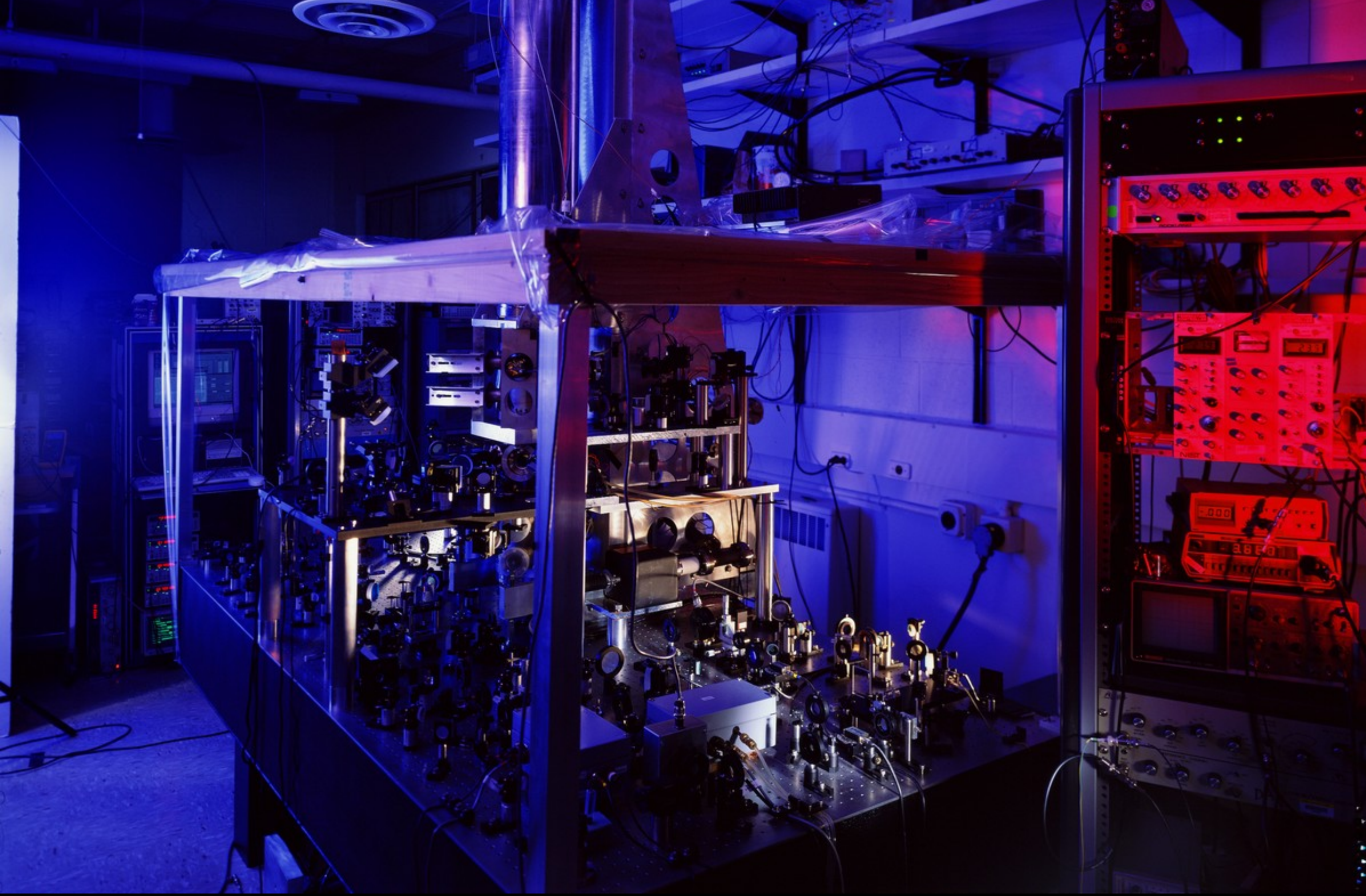


**Warszawa**



**Zakopane**







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I. Time loses pieces

II. The world without time

III. Recovering time, layer by layer

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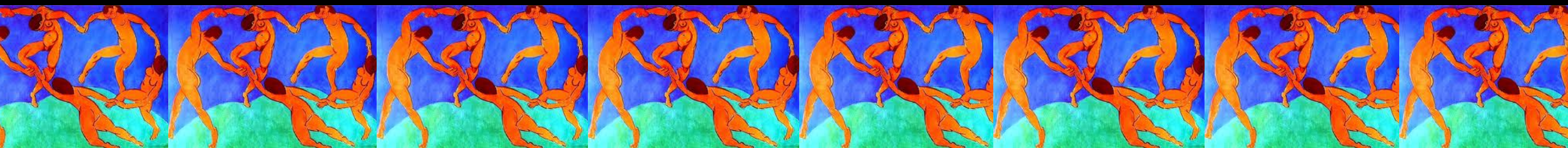




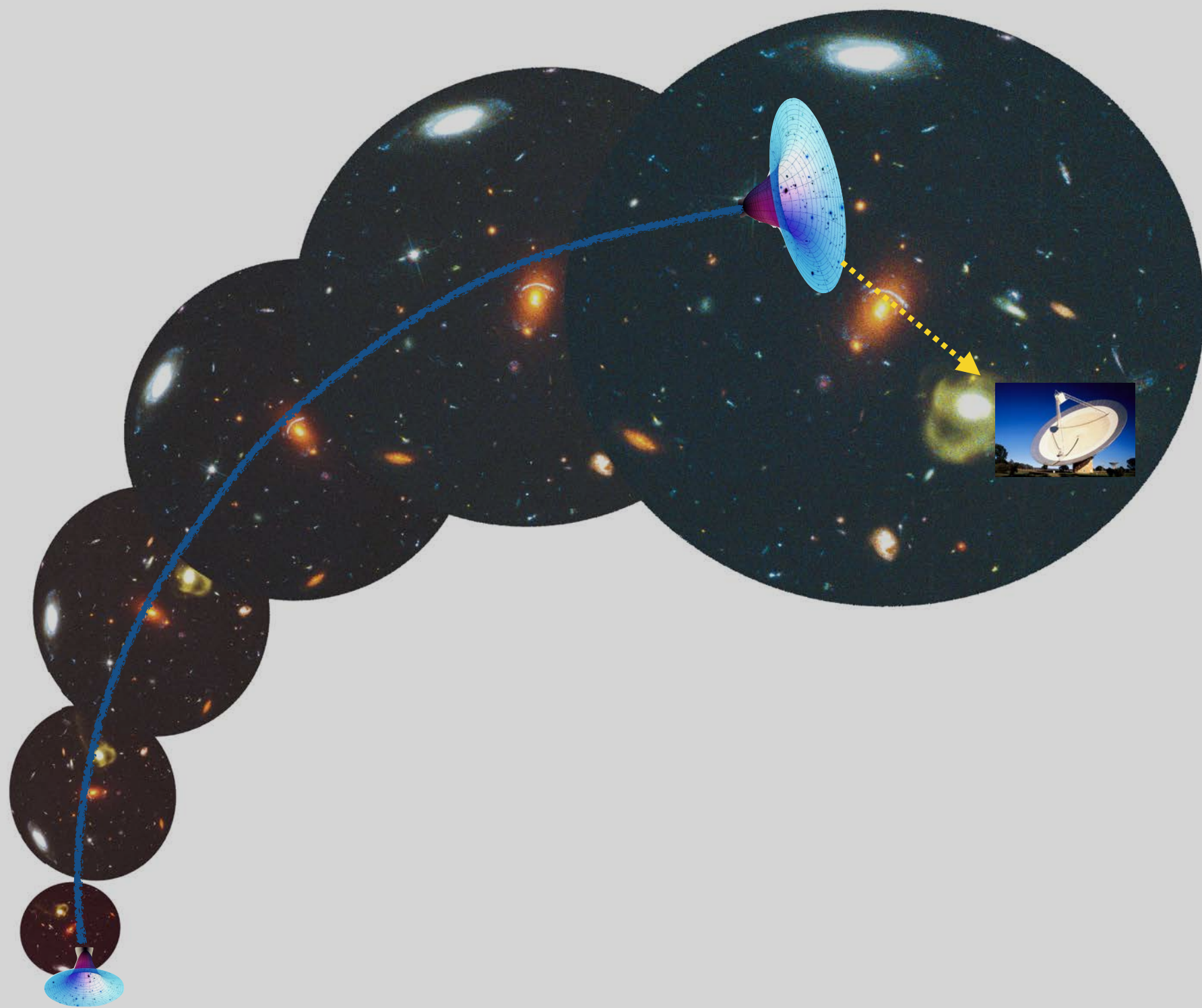


There is no single great  
clock that ticks away the life  
of the cosmos

Everybody dances at his own rhythm

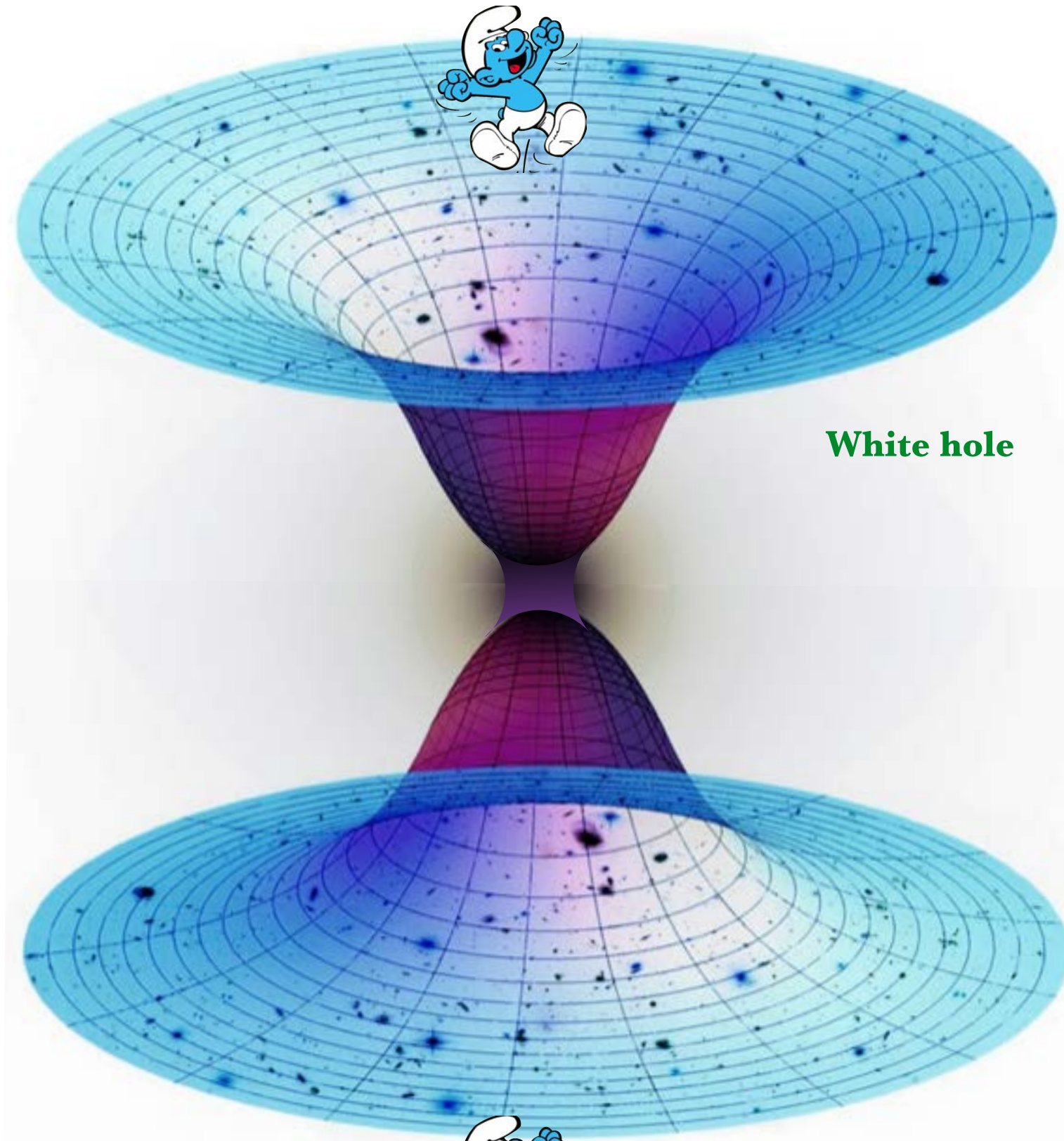








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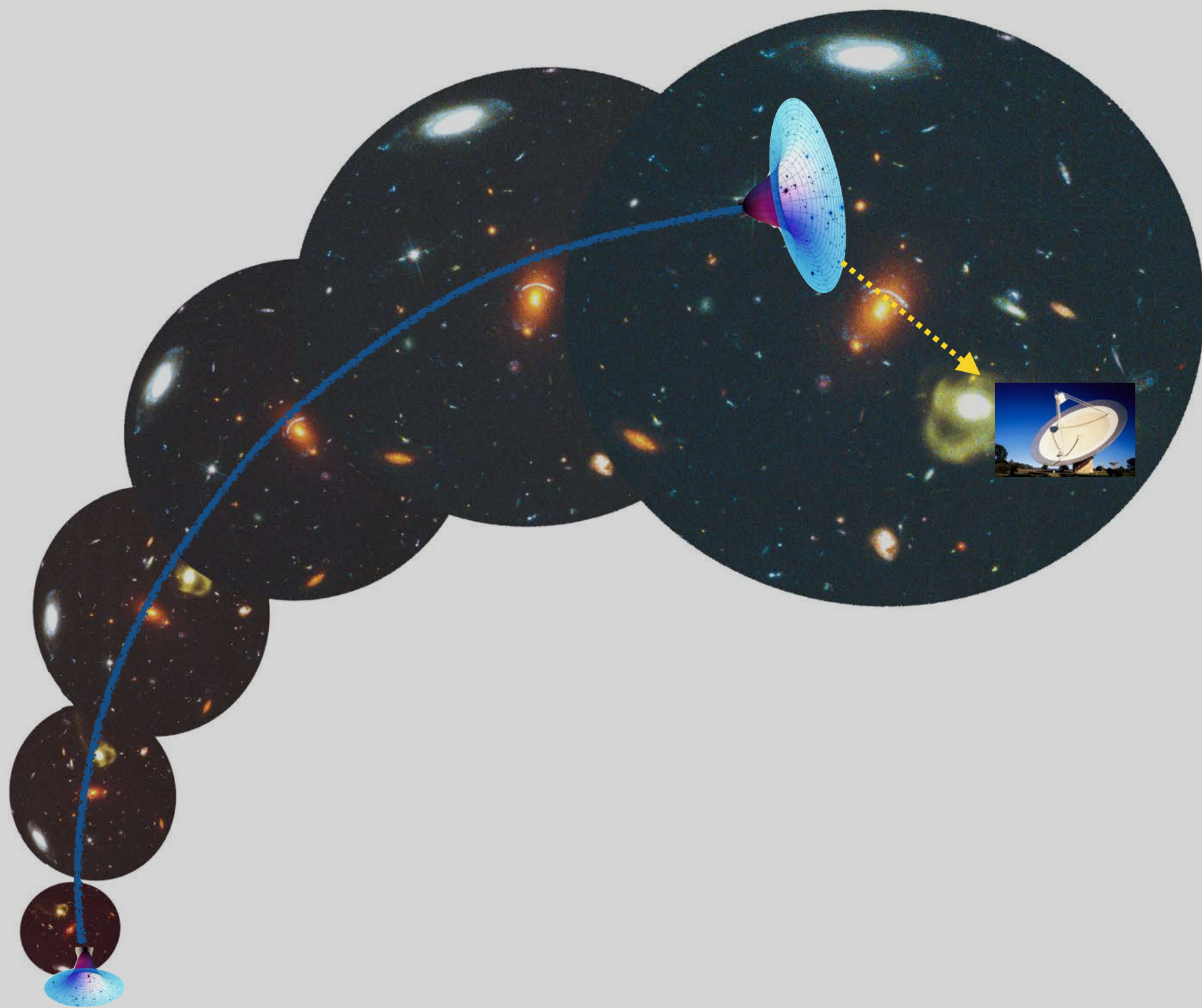
**White hole**

**Black hole**



**10 billions years!**

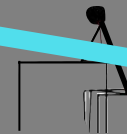
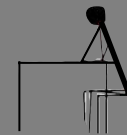








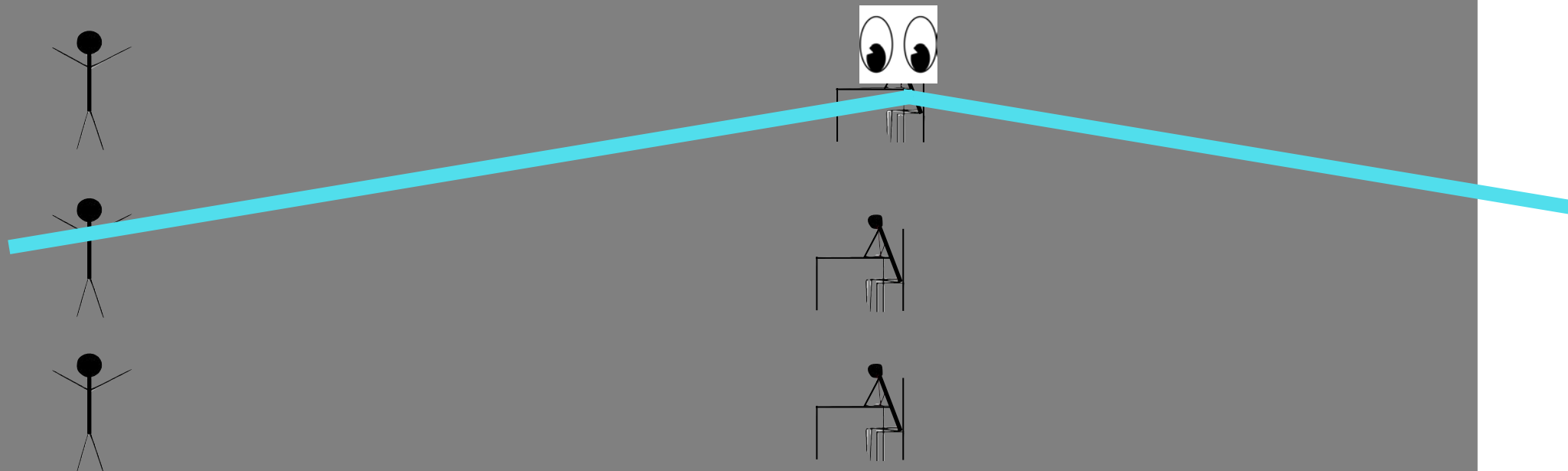
**Future**



**Past**

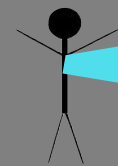


**Futuro**

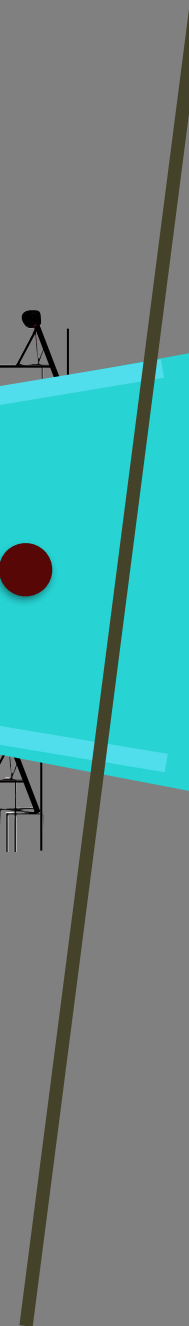


**Passato**

**Futuro**



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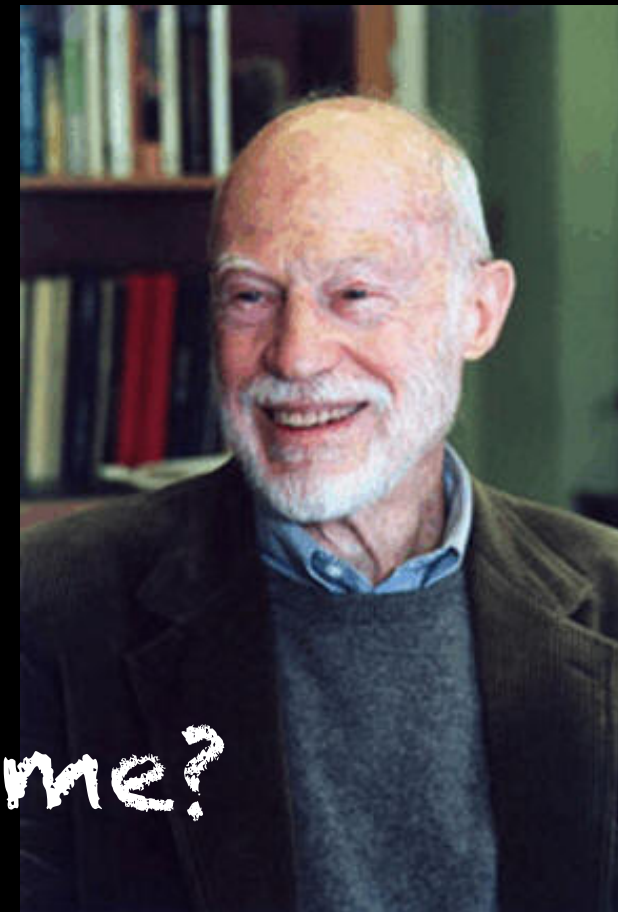


## II. The world without time

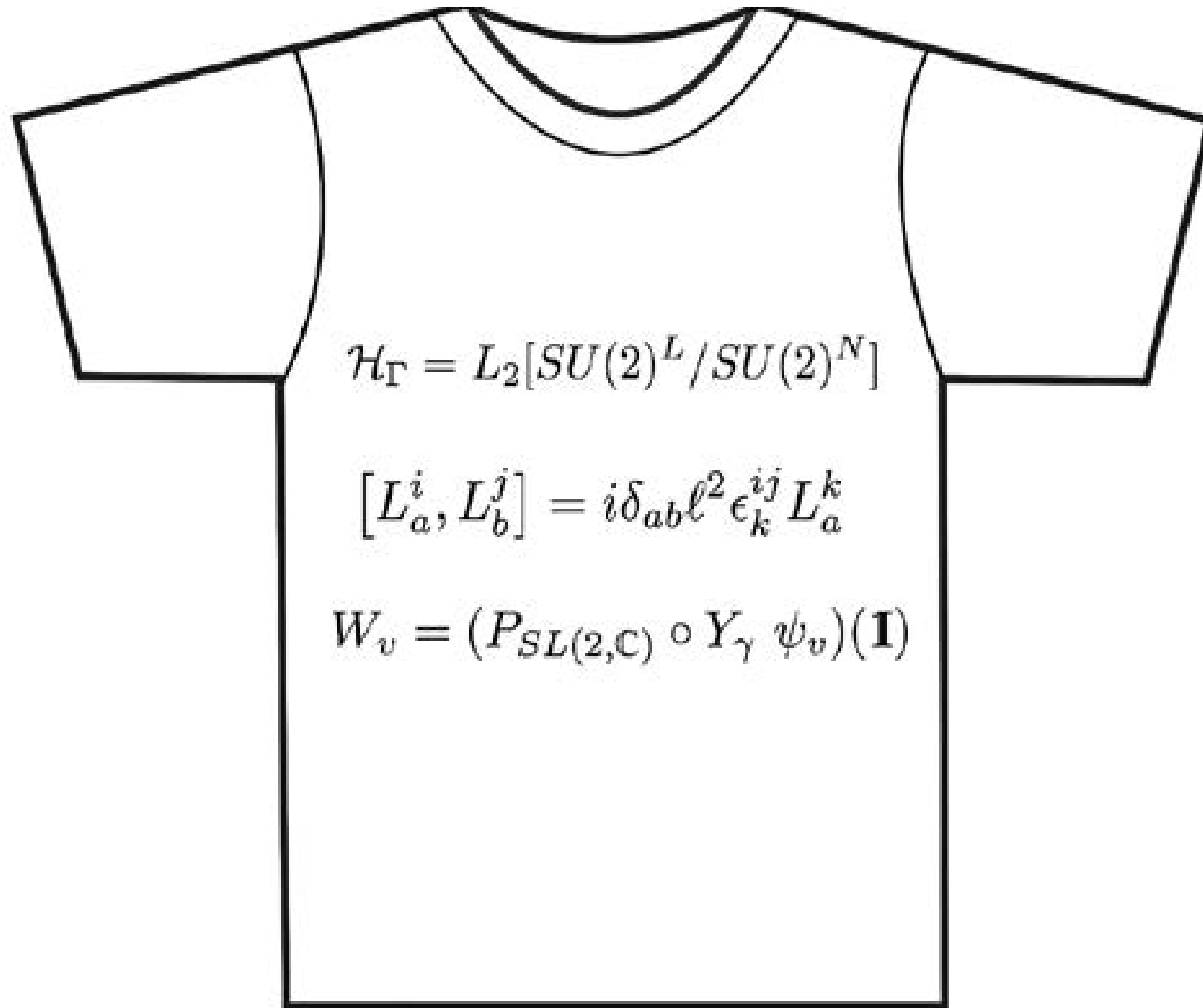




$$G_{abcd} \frac{\delta}{\delta g_{ab}} \frac{\delta}{\delta g_{cd}} \Psi[g] - g R[g] \Psi[g] = 0$$

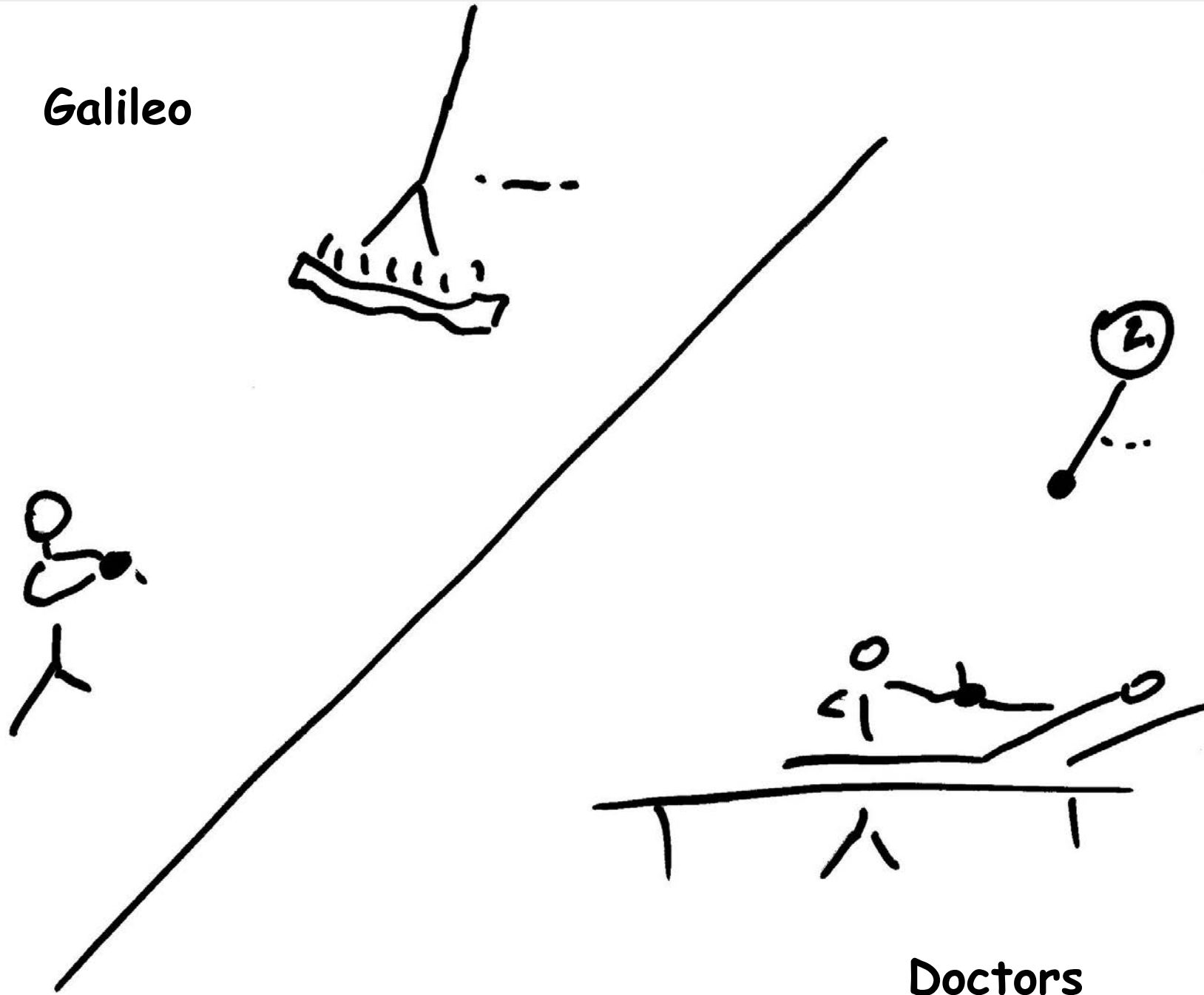


An equation without time?



Loop quantum gravity

Galileo



Doctors



Things do not change  
"in time",  
they change one with respect  
to the other.

# ontology of fundamental physics

Descartes:

Res extensa

Time

Newton:

Bodies (particles)

Space

Time

Faraday-Maxwell:

Particles

Fields

Space

Time

Special Relativity:

Particles

Fields

Spacetime

Quantum Mechanics:

Quantum Fields

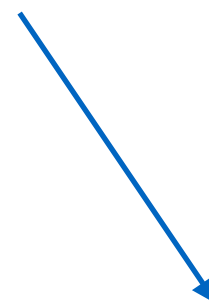
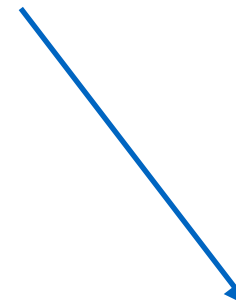
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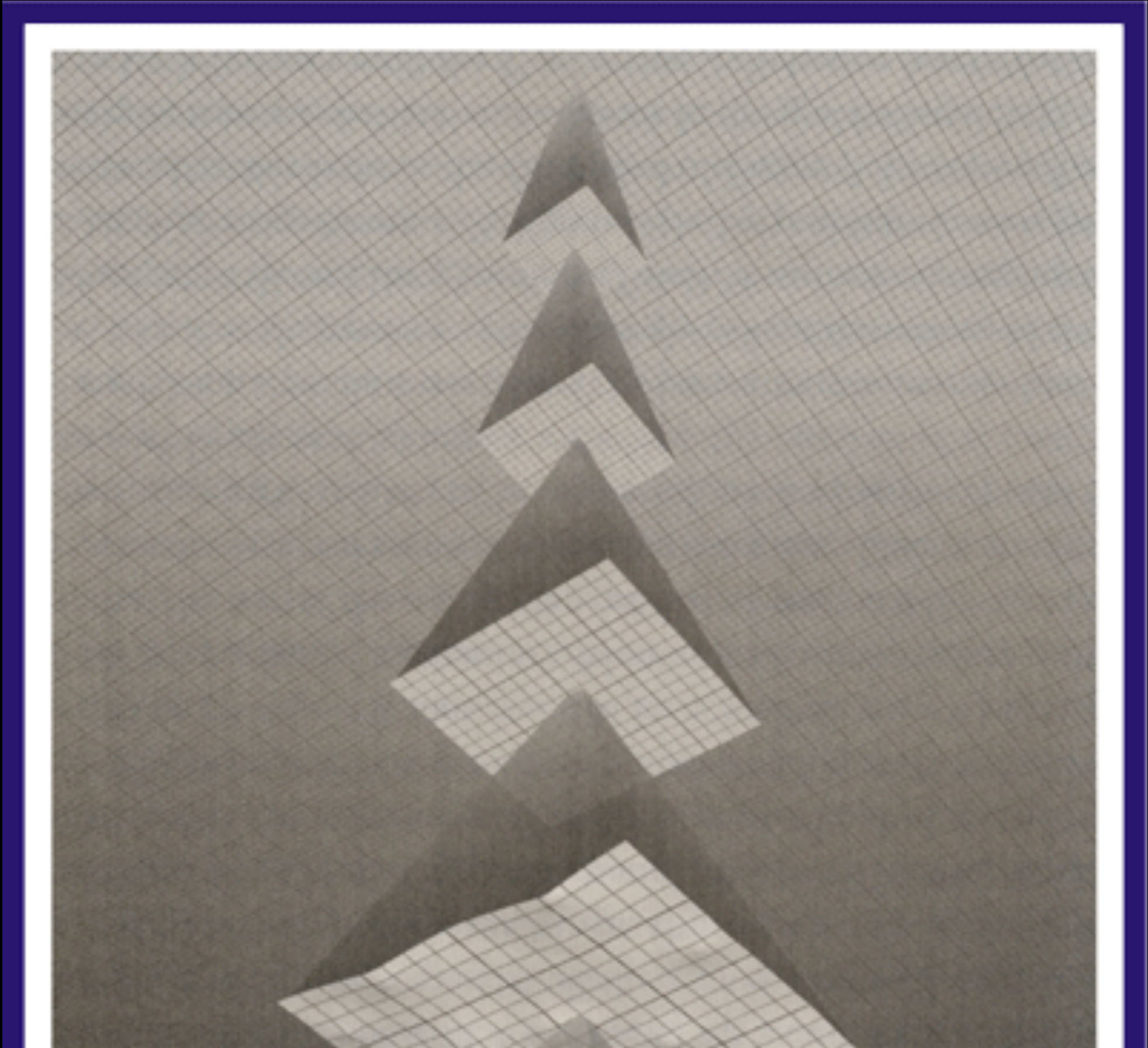
General Relativity:

Covariant Fields

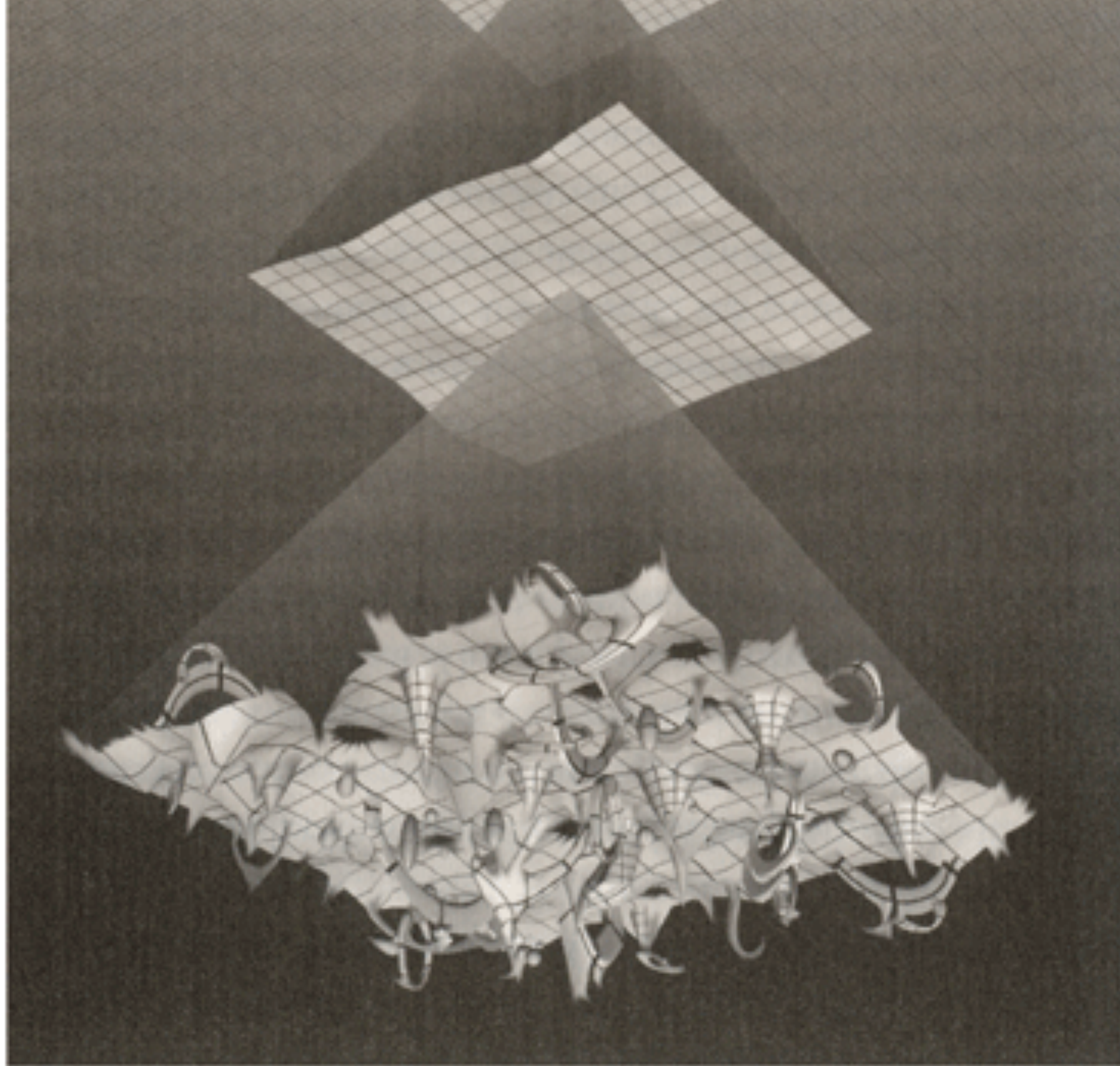
Quantum Gravity:

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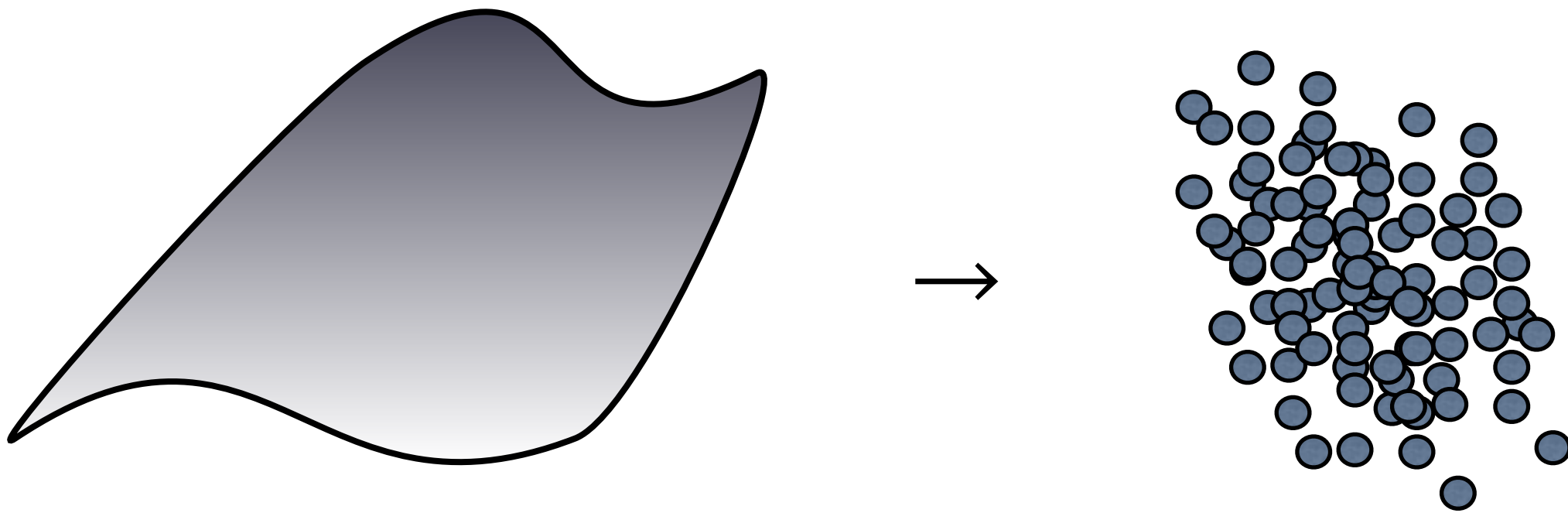






# ■ Quantum gravity

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Space time is granular, probabilistic, and relational.











How does “time”  
come back?

III. Recovering time, layer by layer

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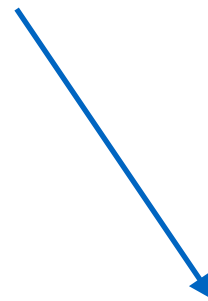
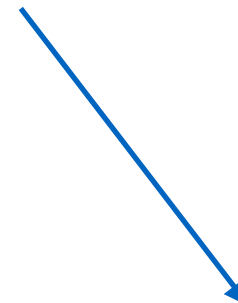
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Time has a direction  
only when there is heat

Heat is related to  
lack of detailed  
knowledge

Time is our  
ignorance









The source of the flow of time is  
probably  
in our own structure and our own  
perspective on the world.

“We know the Earth turns,  
But we do not pay attention,  
the ground on which we walk does not appear to  
move,  
and we live in peace.  
So is time, in our life.”

Marcel Proust



Dal tempo degli angeli...



... al tempo dei matematici ...



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- ☆ Because of the way our brain is wired
- ☆ Only because of thermodynamics
- ☆ Only in the context of incomplete information
- ☆ Only for small velocities
- ☆ Only if we disregard gravity
- ☆ Variables evolve with respect to one another
- ☆ Yes





