

50<sup>th</sup> anniversary  
of  
String Theory

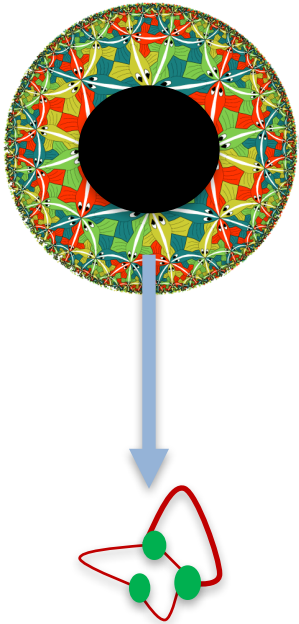
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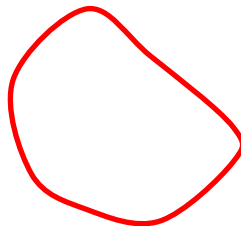
Strings 2018  
Japan

Duality era

# What have we learned?



- Non perturbative consistency of string theory.
- Black hole entropy from microstate counting.
- Black holes, when viewed from outside, evolve unitarily.
- Precise definition with QM/gravity duals.
- Unification of  $U(N)$  strings and fundamental strings. [Integrability for N=4 SYM](#)
- Field theory/string theory “unification”.



Questions ?

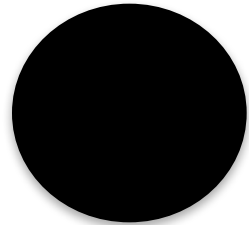
Most interesting question:

Initial singularity

Beginning of time?

Emergence of time?

# Into Black holes



How do we describe the interior in the same variables that make unitarity manifest ?

# Einstein's happy thought

- Gravity “disappears” when you are falling.



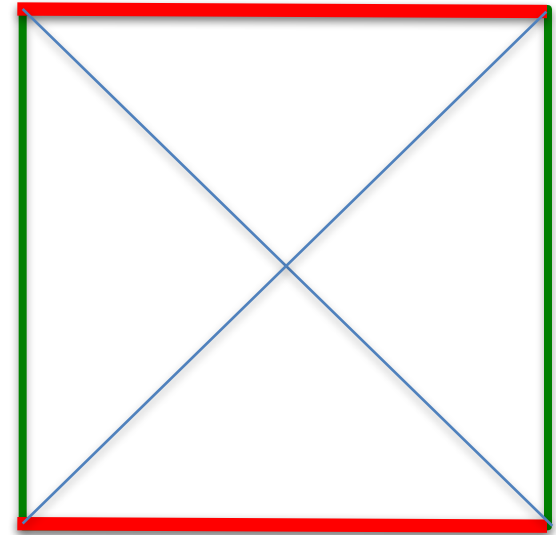
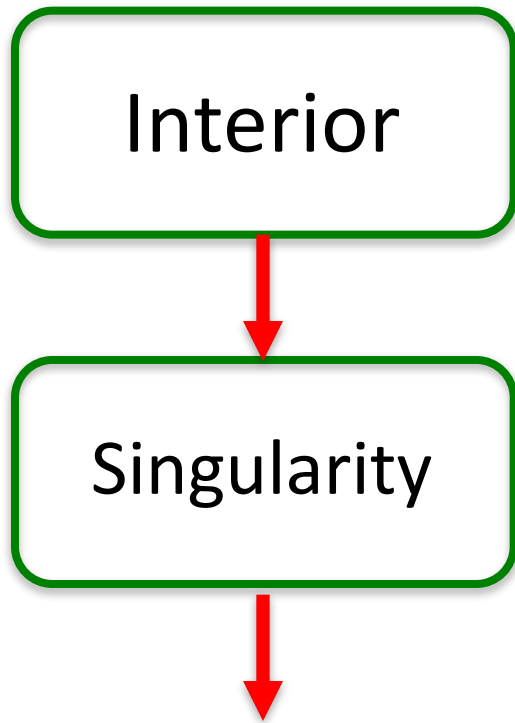
- Quantum version?

# Some elements

- Emergent Lorentz symmetry involving the radial direction. → emergent causality. Modular Flow ?
- Different notions of entropy:
  - - Coarse grained: horizon, outside, 2<sup>nd</sup> Law.
  - - Fine grained: depends on interior (position of RT surface)
- Complexity matters!
- Computation takes time and space.
- Computation makes time and space!
- **What is complex is relative to the observer...**



# Homework



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