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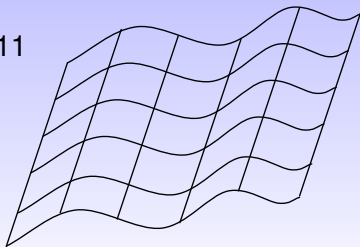
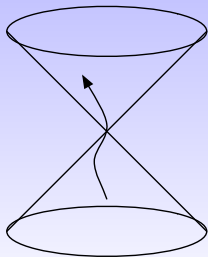


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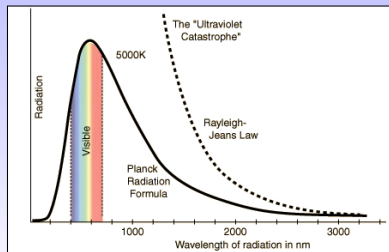


Why *Quantum* Gravity?

- 1 All the other fundamental interactions are quantized.
- 2 The Einstein Field Equation has matter in it.

Spacetime Curvature = Matter

- 3 Singularities of Black Holes and the Big Bang
(Compare to UV divergence of Rayleigh-Jeans)

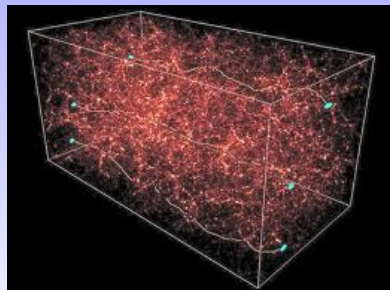
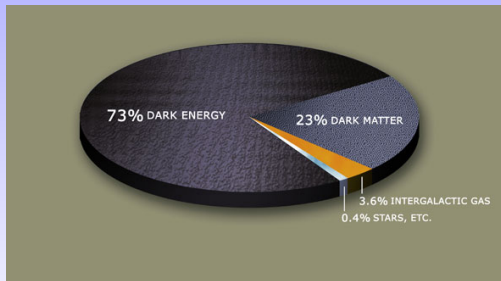


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Dark Matter and Dark Energy

4 Unexplained gravitational phenomena

- Dark Energy
- Dark Matter



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So what is needed?

- Phase Space
- Canonically Conjugate Fields
- Relativistic geometry

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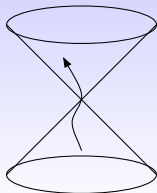
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But it is not geometric

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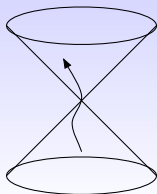
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Biconformal Space: A space, formed from the symmetries of the light cone, that contains General Relativity and is special because:

- *Derive* the structures that make it a relativistic phase space.
 - Symplectic form → Poisson Bracket
 - Time is an emergent property!
- Allows direct characterization of canonically conjugate variables.



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We have general relativity set in a broader framework.

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Curved Phase Space

Curved Momentum space

- Principle of Relative Locality
- 2+1 Quantum Gravity (regularization)

