Quantum Vortices & Black Hole Superradiance

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Quantum vortices

A quantum fluid shows quantum properties at the macroscopic level

Bose-Einstein condensate



$$\Psi(\mathbf{r},t) = \sqrt{n(\mathbf{r},t)}e^{iS(\mathbf{r},t)}$$

Change in phase around a closed path C

$$\Delta S = \oint_C \nabla S \cdot d\mathbf{l} = 2\pi q, \qquad q = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

Circulation around a closed path *C*

$$\Gamma = \oint_C \mathbf{v} \cdot d\mathbf{l} = q\kappa, \qquad \kappa = \frac{h}{m}$$



Vortex instability

|q|>1 Multiply-quantised vortex (MQV)





Black hole superradiance

Rotating black hole



Repeated reflections and amplifications lead to Unbounded growth of the instability → Black hole bomb instability

Thank you for listening