

Particle creation by de Sitter black holes revisited

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The creation of a thermal distribution of particles by a black hole is independent of the detail of gravitational collapse, making the construction of the eternal horizons sufficient to address the problem in asymptotically flat spacetimes. For eternal de Sitter black holes, however, earlier studies have shown the existence of both thermal and nonthermal particle creation, originating from the nontrivial causal structure of these spacetimes. Keeping this in mind, we consider this problem in the context of a quasistationary gravitational collapse occurring in a $(3 + 1)$ -dimensional eternal de Sitter spacetime, settling down to a Schwarzschild–or Kerr–de Sitter spacetime, and we consider a massless minimally coupled scalar field. There is a unique choice of physically meaningful “in” vacuum here, defined with respect to the positive-frequency cosmological Kruskal modes localized on the past cosmological horizon \mathcal{C}^- , at the onset of the collapse. We define our “out” vacuum at a fixed radial coordinate “close” to the future cosmological horizon, \mathcal{C}^+ , with respect to positive-frequency outgoing modes written in terms of the ordinary retarded null coordinate, u . We trace such modes back to \mathcal{C}^- along past-directed null geodesics through the collapsing body. Some part of the wave will be reflected back without entering it due to the graybody effect. We show that these two kinds of traced-back modes yield the two-temperature spectra and fluxes subject to the aforementioned “in” vacuum. Since the coordinate u used in the “out” modes is not well defined on a horizon, an estimate on how “close” we might be to \mathcal{C}^+ is given by estimating the backreaction. We argue that no other reasonable choice of the “out” vacuum would give rise to any thermal spectra. Our conclusions remain valid for all non-Nariai-class black holes, irrespective of the relative sizes of the two horizons.

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I. INTRODUCTION

It is well known that quantum mechanically, a black hole can create an outward flux of particles at a temperature given by its horizon surface gravity. This astonishing phenomenon is known as Hawking radiation and was first reported in Ref. [1], showing that a Schwarzschild or Kerr black hole forming via a gravitational collapse would create a Planckian spectrum of particles in the asymptotic region. Soon afterwards, similar results were reported with eternal black holes with a maximally analytically continued manifold, and even for uniformly accelerated or Rindler observers in flat spacetimes [2]. Since then, there has been a huge endeavor to understand and explore this phenomenon in depth; we refer our reader to Refs. [3–10] and references therein for a vast review on various perspectives, including quantum entanglement.

We are interested here in stationary black hole solutions of the Einstein equations with a positive cosmological constant Λ , known as de Sitter black holes, which are interesting in various ways. First, owing to the current phase of accelerated expansion of our Universe, they are

expected to provide nice toy models for the global structures of isolated black holes of our actual Universe. Second and more important, they can model black holes formed during the inflationary phase of our Universe, e.g., Refs. [11–14]. The most interesting qualitative feature of such black holes compared to $\Lambda \leq 0$ models is the existence of the cosmological event horizon serving as a global causal boundary of the spacetime, in addition to the usual black hole horizon. The cosmological event horizon is present in the empty de Sitter spacetime as well, and it has thermal characteristics; see, e.g., Refs. [15–17] and references therein for various aspects of de Sitter particle creation, vacuum states, thermodynamics, and de Sitter holography.

The thermodynamics and particle creation for eternal Schwarzschild–and Kerr–de Sitter spacetimes were first studied in Ref. [18] via the path integral approach. The two Killing horizons give rise to two temperatures, thereby making these spacetimes much more nontrivial and qualitatively different from their $\Lambda \leq 0$ counterparts. Since then, a lot of effort has been provided to understand various aspects of such two-temperature thermodynamics; see, e.g., Refs. [19–37] and references therein. In Ref. [7], the particle creation for eternal de Sitter black holes was

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studied using the Kruskal modes associated with the two horizons, and the existence of nonthermal spectra was shown. The construction of the analogues of the Boulware, Hartle-Hawking, and Unruh vacua for a $(1+1)$ -dimensional Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime was discussed in Ref. [38]. The study of particle creation including the graybody effect in higher dimensions can be seen in Refs. [39–42]. See also Ref. [43] for a discussion on anomaly and Ref. [44] for particle creation via complex path analysis.

However, a quantum field theoretic derivation of the particle creation for such black holes in a more realistic scenario of gravitational collapse seems to be missing. Even though the particle creation is independent of the detail of the collapse, making the construction of an eternal horizon sufficient in an asymptotically flat spacetime [4], we recall that for de Sitter black holes we can have nonthermal spectra [7,38] along with the thermal ones, owing to their nontrivial asymptotic structures and freedom to choose different vacuum states. Keeping such nonunique features in mind, it is thus natural to ask in a collapse scenario for a de Sitter black hole, what particular choices of the “in” and “out” vacua lead to the two-temperature spectra and fluxes. Are these choices unique?

The present manuscript intends to fill in this gap by computing particle creation in a quasistationary gravitational collapse occurring in an eternal de Sitter universe, eventually to settle down to a Schwarzschild–or Kerr–de Sitter spacetime. Such modeling seems reasonable whenever the timescale of the collapse is small compared to the age of the de Sitter universe, perhaps relevant in the context of the early Universe. We recall that for a black hole forming via gravitational collapse, the Kruskal coordinates making the maximal analytic extension of the manifold near its horizon have no natural meaning [45]. Accordingly, we shall assign such coordinates only with the cosmological horizon.

The three causal boundaries of this spacetime will be the past and future cosmological horizons (respectively, \mathcal{C}^\mp) and the future black hole horizon \mathcal{H}^+ for an observer located within these horizons. We shall consider a massless, minimally coupled scalar field obeying the null geodesic approximation (e.g., Ref. [45]) and will take the “in” vacuum on \mathcal{C}^- to be defined with respect to the positive-frequency Kruskal mode at the onset of the collapse. This choice corresponds to the fact that the Kruskal coordinates are affine generators of the null geodesics on a Killing horizon, and hence represent freely falling observers. The “out” vacuum will be defined with respect to the usual positive-frequency retarded null coordinate u , at a radius within but “near” \mathcal{C}^+ . These “out” modes are then traced back to \mathcal{C}^- along past-directed null geodesics through the collapsing body. There will be a graybody effect, and some part of the ray will be reflected back by the potential barrier of the wave equation without entering the collapsing body. The forms of these two waves are shown to be determined

naturally in terms of the advanced Kruskal null coordinate on \mathcal{C}^- in Sec. III A. Using these results, we compute the Bogoliubov coefficients and the two-temperature particle spectra in Sec. III B. This result is further generalized to the stationary axisymmetric Kerr–de Sitter spacetime in Sec. IV. Finally, we conclude in Sec. V. Note that the u coordinate used to define the “out” vacuum is not well defined on a horizon. Accordingly, we provide an explicit estimate at the end of Sec. III B on the cutoff, indicating how “near” one could be to \mathcal{C}^+ to indeed consistently use it as a valid state, by estimating the backreaction. We further provide arguments in favor of the uniqueness of our choices of the vacua, as long as one is interested in getting the thermal spectra and fluxes.

Even though we shall be working with individual basis modes, it will be implicitly assumed that they are linearly superposed to form suitable localized wave packets [1,7,9]. In particular, working with basis modes instead of the wave packets is easier and is not going to affect our final results anyway.

Since we shall assume that the matter field obeys the null geodesic approximation, in the following section we shall discuss briefly the properties of null geodesics in the Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime. We shall work in $(3+1)$ dimensions with a mostly positive signature of the metric and will set $\hbar = c = k_B = 1$ throughout.

II. THE METRIC, THE NULL GEODESICS, AND THE CAUSAL STRUCTURE

The Schwarzschild–de Sitter metric in the usual spherical polar coordinates reads

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right) dt^2 + \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2), \quad (1)$$

where M is the mass parameter. For $3M\sqrt{\Lambda} < 1$, the above metric admits two Killing horizons:

$$r_H = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \cos^{-1}(3M\sqrt{\Lambda}) + \frac{\pi}{3} \right],$$

$$r_C = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \cos \left[\frac{1}{3} \cos^{-1}(3M\sqrt{\Lambda}) - \frac{\pi}{3} \right],$$

where r_H is the black hole (BH) event horizon, and $r_C \geq r_H$ is the cosmological event horizon. For $3M\sqrt{\Lambda} = 1$, these two horizons merge to $1/\sqrt{\Lambda}$, known as the Nariai limit. Beyond that limit, no black hole horizon exists, and we obtain a naked curvature singularity. In other words, a positive Λ puts an upper bound on the maximum sizes of black holes. The surface gravities of these two Killing horizons are given by

$$\begin{aligned}\kappa_H &= \frac{\Lambda(r_C + 2r_H)(r_C - r_H)}{6r_H}, \\ -\kappa_C &= \frac{\Lambda(2r_C + r_H)(r_H - r_C)}{6r_C},\end{aligned}\quad (2)$$

where $\kappa_C > 0$, and the minus sign in front of it ensures that the cosmological horizon has negative surface gravity, owing to the repulsive effects of positive Λ . Note that for $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$, we have $r_C \approx \sqrt{3/\Lambda} \rightarrow \infty$ and $r_H \approx 2M$. In that case, we also recover $\kappa_H = 1/2r_H = 1/4M$ and $\kappa_C \approx 1/r_C \rightarrow 0$.

Since we shall be concerned with a massless field propagating along a null geodesic, let us first briefly discuss null geodesics in Eq. (1), following the basic formalism of, e.g., Ref. [45]. We rewrite Eq. (1) as

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right)(-dt^2 + dr_\star^2) + r^2(r_\star)d\Omega^2, \quad (3)$$

where r as a function of the tortoise coordinate r_\star is understood, given by

$$\begin{aligned}r_\star &= \int \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right)^{-1} \\ dr &= \frac{1}{2\kappa_H} \ln\left(\frac{r}{r_H} - 1\right) - \frac{1}{2\kappa_C} \ln\left(1 - \frac{r}{r_C}\right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\kappa_u} \ln\left(\frac{r}{r_H + r_C} + 1\right),\end{aligned}\quad (4)$$

where $\kappa_u = (M/r_u^2 - \Lambda r_u/3)$ corresponds to the ‘‘surface gravity’’ of the unphysical negative root, $r_u = -(r_H + r_C)$, of $g_{tt} = 0$. It is easy to see by expanding the logarithms in Eq. (4) that in the limit $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$, i.e., $r_C \rightarrow \infty$, we recover the Schwarzschild limit, $r_\star \approx r + 2M \ln(r/2M - 1)$.

Since both κ_H and κ_C are positive, Eq. (4) shows that $r_\star \rightarrow \mp\infty$ as $r \rightarrow r_H, r_C$, respectively. We define the retarded and the advanced null coordinates $u = t - r_\star$ and $v = t + r_\star$ to rewrite Eq. (3) as

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right)dudv + r^2(u, v)d\Omega^2 \quad (5)$$

and consider incoming and outgoing radial null geodesics, u^a . Due to the time translation symmetry existing in between the two horizons, we have the conserved energy, $E = (1 - 2M/r - \Lambda r^2/3) \frac{dt}{d\lambda}$, where λ is an affine parameter along the geodesic. Using this along with the null geodesic dispersion relation, $u_a u^a = 0$, we get, for radially outgoing and incoming future directed geodesics,

$$\frac{dr}{d\lambda} = +E \quad (\text{outgoing}), \quad \frac{dr}{d\lambda} = -E \quad (\text{incoming}). \quad (6)$$

The above equations yield

$$\frac{du}{d\lambda} = 0 \quad (\text{outgoing}), \quad \frac{dv}{d\lambda} = 0 \quad (\text{incoming}). \quad (7)$$

Further, using these, it is easy to find out the variations of u and v , respectively, along incoming and outgoing geodesics:

$$u_{\text{in}} = -2r_\star + u_0, \quad v_{\text{out}} = 2r_\star + v_0, \quad (8)$$

where u_0 and v_0 are integration constants. Recalling $r_\star \rightarrow \mp\infty$ as $r \rightarrow r_H, r_C$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}u_{\text{in}}(r_H) &\rightarrow \infty, \quad u_{\text{in}}(r_C) \rightarrow -\infty, \quad \text{and} \quad v_{\text{out}}(r_H) \rightarrow -\infty, \\ v_{\text{out}}(r_C) &\rightarrow \infty.\end{aligned}\quad (9)$$

In other words, we may identify the past or future segments of the Killing horizons from the negative or positive infinities of the null coordinates. For example, the first of the above equations represents the future black hole horizon (\mathcal{H}^+), whereas the second represents the past cosmological horizon (\mathcal{C}^-), and so on.

Equation (6) gives $r_{\text{out}} = E\lambda + r_0$ and $r_{\text{in}} = -E\lambda + r'_0$. We set both the integration constants r_0 and r'_0 to r_H for convenience. From Eqs. (4) and (8), we now have near the horizons

$$\begin{aligned}(u - u_0)_{\text{in}}|_{r \rightarrow r_H} &\approx -\frac{1}{\kappa_H} \ln\left(-\frac{E\lambda}{r_H}\right), \\ (u - u_0)_{\text{in}}|_{r \rightarrow r_C} &\approx \frac{1}{\kappa_C} \ln\left(1 - \frac{(-E\lambda + r_H)}{r_C}\right), \\ (v - v_0)_{\text{out}}|_{r \rightarrow r_H} &\approx \frac{1}{\kappa_H} \ln\frac{E\lambda}{r_H}, \\ (v - v_0)_{\text{out}}|_{r \rightarrow r_C} &\approx -\frac{1}{\kappa_C} \ln\left(1 - \frac{(E\lambda + r_H)}{r_C}\right),\end{aligned}\quad (10)$$

which, via Eq. (9), fix the values of λ on the horizons. In particular, we always have $\lambda = 0$ on both past and future segments of BH, $r = r_H$.

Using Eq. (4), we can cast the metric (5) into two alternative forms:

$$\begin{aligned}ds^2 &= -\frac{2M}{r} \left(1 - \frac{r}{r_C}\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_H}{\kappa_C}} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_H + r_C}\right)^{1-\frac{\kappa_H}{\kappa_C}} e^{\kappa_H(v-u)} dudv \\ &\quad + r^2 d\Omega^2\end{aligned}\quad (11)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}ds^2 &= -\frac{2M}{r} \left(\frac{r}{r_H} - 1\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_H + r_C}\right)^{1-\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} e^{\kappa_C(u-v)} dudv \\ &\quad + r^2 d\Omega^2.\end{aligned}\quad (12)$$

Note that the first and the second have no coordinate singularities at $r = r_H, r_C$, respectively. We now define the

Kruskal null coordinates for the black hole and the cosmological horizon as, e.g., Ref. [7],

$$\begin{aligned} U_H &= -\frac{1}{\kappa_H} e^{-\kappa_H u}, & V_H &= \frac{1}{\kappa_H} e^{\kappa_H v}; \\ U_C &= \frac{1}{\kappa_C} e^{\kappa_C u}, & V_C &= -\frac{1}{\kappa_C} e^{-\kappa_C v}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

We note from Eq. (9) that $V_C \rightarrow 0$ on the future cosmological horizon. Thus, on the past cosmological horizon, we must have $-\infty < V_C \leq 0$. This will be useful for our future purposes.

In terms of the Kruskal coordinates defined in Eq. (13), the metrics (11) and (12), respectively, become

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= -\frac{2M}{r} \left(1 - \frac{r}{r_C}\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_H}{\kappa_C}} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_H + r_C}\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} dU_H dV_H \\ &\quad + r^2 d\Omega^2 \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= -\frac{2M}{r} \left(\frac{r}{r_H} - 1\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_H + r_C}\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} dU_C dV_C \\ &\quad + r^2 d\Omega^2. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

As a consistency check for Eq. (15), we let $\Lambda \rightarrow 0$, implying $r_C \rightarrow \infty$, $\kappa_C \rightarrow 0$, $\kappa_C = \kappa_u$, and $r_H \rightarrow 2M$. Also in this limit, we have from Eq. (13) that $U_C \approx \kappa_C^{-1} + u$ and $V_C \approx -\kappa_C^{-1} + v$. Using these, it is easy to see that the above metric reduces to the Schwarzschild spacetime.

Let us now consider an outgoing null geodesic at $r \rightarrow r_C$. Using Eq. (12), we rewrite the expression for the conserved energy, $E = (1 - 2M/r - \Lambda r^2/3) \frac{dt}{d\lambda}$, as

$$E = \frac{2M}{r_C} \left(\frac{r_C}{r_H} - 1\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} \left(1 + \frac{r_C}{r_H + r_C}\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} e^{-\kappa_C(v-u)} \frac{dt}{d\lambda},$$

which, after using $t = (u + v)/2$, recalling that $u = \text{const}$ along outgoing geodesics and Eq. (13), gives

$$\lambda = \lambda_0 + \left[\frac{M}{r_C E} \left(\frac{r_C}{r_H} - 1\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} \left(1 + \frac{r_C}{r_H + r_C}\right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} e^{\kappa_C u} \right] V_C, \quad (16)$$

where λ_0 is an integration constant. The above equation shows that V_C (or any coordinate proportional to it with a constant coefficient of proportionality) would be an affine parameter along the outgoing null geodesics on $r = r_C$. Likewise, it turns out that U_C is an affine parameter along the incoming null geodesics there.

Similar conclusions hold on the black hole event horizon, with the respective Kruskal coordinates V_H and U_H .

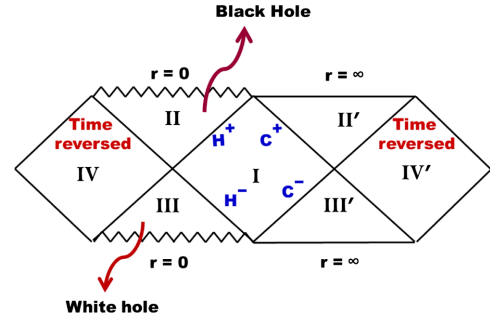


FIG. 1. The Penrose-Carter diagram for the Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime [Eq. (1), e.g., Refs. [7,38]]. Each point should be understood as tangent to a 2-sphere centered at $r = 0$. The spacetime could be indefinitely analytically continued further to the left and right by adding further mass points. A physical observer is usually taken to be located in the diamond-shaped region, Region I, held within \mathcal{H}^\pm and \mathcal{C}^\pm .

Figure 1 depicts the Penrose-Carter diagram of Eq. (1), e.g., Refs. [7,38]. On the past black hole horizon \mathcal{H}^- , a particle or field can be outgoing only, as opposed to the future black hole horizon, \mathcal{H}^+ , where it can be ingoing only. Likewise, on \mathcal{C}^- , we have incoming trajectories only, as opposed to \mathcal{C}^+ .

In this work, we are particularly interested in noneternal black holes forming via a gravitational collapse in a de Sitter spacetime. This means that we take the de Sitter space to be eternal and consider a gravitational collapse occurring within it to form a black hole. In that case, the white hole horizon \mathcal{H}^- will be absent. In other words, in the collapse scenario, the Kruskal coordinate associated with the black hole [Eq. (14)] has no meaning, and *only* such coordinates with a cosmological horizon [Eq. (15)] are relevant.

The first diagram of Fig. 2 depicts a gravitational collapse forming a black hole in an asymptotically flat spacetime. Massless modes originating from the past null infinity \mathcal{I}^- enter the collapsing body, get scattered, and

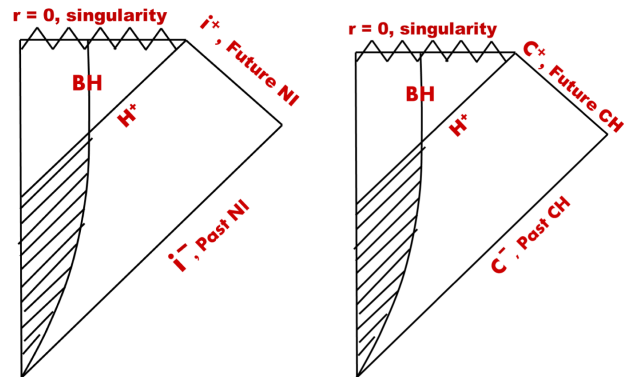


FIG. 2. The Penrose-Carter diagrams for gravitational collapses forming black holes (a) in an asymptotically flat spacetime, e.g., Ref. [45], and (b) within the de Sitter event horizons. The shady region denotes the collapsing body, entering the future black hole horizon, \mathcal{H}^+ .

propagate to the future null infinity \mathcal{I}^+ before the horizon forms. The second diagram of Fig. 2 represents a similar process occurring inside the past and future cosmological event horizons. To be precise, modes incoming from \mathcal{C}^- eventually enter the collapsing body and get scattered off to \mathcal{C}^+ . The “in” vacuum will correspond to the appropriate positive-energy mode functions incoming at \mathcal{C}^- , whereas the “out” vacuum will correspond to the scattered positive-frequency outgoing modes near \mathcal{C}^+ . We shall be more precise about them in what follows.

III. THE FIELD EQUATION AND PARTICLE CREATION

A. The mode functions

We assume that the collapse process is quasistationary; i.e., outside the collapsing body we can approximate the spacetime by Eq. (1). Let us then consider a massless, minimally coupled test scalar field ψ , propagating in this background and satisfying the Klein-Gordon equation,

$$\nabla^a \nabla_a \psi = 0.$$

For any two solutions f_1 and f_2 , the Klein-Gordon inner product reads

$$(f_1, f_2) = i \int d\Sigma (f_1^* \nabla_a f_2 - f_2 \nabla_a f_1^*) n^a, \quad (17)$$

where the integration is done over any suitable hypersurface and n^a is the unit normal to it.

Employing the usual variable separation for individual mode functions, $\psi_{\omega lm}(t, r, \theta, \phi) = \frac{R_{\omega l}(r, t)}{r} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$, we get the familiar wave equation with an effective potential:

$$\left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_*^2} \right) R_{\omega l} - \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3} \right) \times \left(\frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} + \frac{2M}{r^3} - \frac{2\Lambda}{3} \right) R_{\omega l} = 0, \quad (18)$$

where r_* is given by Eq. (4). If we further insert the customary time dependence $e^{\pm i\omega t}$, the above equation takes the form of the Schrödinger equation with an effective potential vanishing on the two horizons with a maximum in between. Thus, analogous to the ordinary scattering problem, a wave incoming from \mathcal{C}^- will be split into two parts upon incidence on this effective potential barrier—the transmitted wave will propagate inward, whereas the reflected wave will turn back towards the cosmological horizon.

In terms of the retarded and the advanced null coordinates u and v , the mode functions $R_{\omega l}$ on or in an infinitesimal neighborhood of any of the horizons become plane waves

$$R_{\omega l} \sim e^{-i\omega u}, e^{-i\omega v}, \quad (19)$$

along with their negative-frequency counterparts.

As we mentioned earlier, only the Kruskal coordinates for the cosmological event horizon [Eq. (15)] should be relevant in the collapse scenario. In terms of the Kruskal timelike (T_C) and radial (R_C) coordinates, $U_C = T_C - R_C$ and $V_C = T_C + R_C$, Eq. (15) reads

$$ds^2 = \frac{2M}{r} \left(\frac{r}{r_H} - 1 \right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_H + r_C} \right)^{1+\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_U}} \times (-dT_C^2 + dR_C^2) + r^2 d\Omega^2. \quad (20)$$

Using the above and the last two of Eq. (13), the field equation (18) takes the following form as $r \rightarrow r_C$:

$$\left[-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial T_C^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial R_C^2} \right] R_{\omega l}^K - \frac{2M}{r} \left(\frac{r}{r_H} - 1 \right)^{\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}+1} \times \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_H + r_C} \right)^{\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_U}+1} \left(\frac{l(l+1)}{r^2} + \frac{2M}{r^3} - \frac{2\Lambda}{3} \right) R_{\omega l}^K = 0. \quad (21)$$

The solutions with positive-frequency (with respect to the Kruskal timelike coordinate T_C) basis modes read

$$R_{\omega l}^K \sim e^{-i(\omega T_C - k R_C)}, e^{-i(\omega T_C + k R_C)}, \quad (22)$$

where

$$\omega^2 = k^2 + \frac{2M}{r_C} \left(\frac{r_C}{r_H} - 1 \right)^{\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_H}+1} \left(1 + \frac{r_C}{r_H + r_C} \right)^{\frac{\kappa_C}{\kappa_U}+1} \times \left(\frac{l(l+1)}{r_C^2} + \frac{2M}{r_C^3} - \frac{2\Lambda}{3} \right).$$

However, in order for ψ to propagate along the null geodesic, k^2 must be much greater than the second term appearing on the right-hand side of the above equation, so that the phase indeed satisfies the dispersion relation, $\omega^2 - k^2 \approx 0$. We thus make the following mode expansion for the field operator ψ at the *onset* of the collapse, compatible with the null geodesic approximation, localized around \mathcal{C}^- and incoming there:

$$\psi(x) = \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega}} \sum_{lm} \left[a_{\omega lm} e^{-i\omega V_C} \frac{Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)}{r_C} + a_{\omega lm}^\dagger e^{i\omega V_C} \frac{Y_{lm}^*(\theta, \phi)}{r_C} \right]. \quad (23)$$

The orthonormality of the basis modes in Eq. (23) can easily be verified using Eq. (17) on a $T_C = \text{const}$ hypersurface in a neighborhood of \mathcal{C}^- [n^a in Eq. (17) is taken to be a timelike unit vector along ∂_{T_C}]. The creation and

annihilation operators satisfy the canonical commutation relations

$$\begin{aligned} [a_{\omega lm}, a_{\omega' l' m'}^\dagger] &= \delta(\omega - \omega') \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}, \\ [a_{\omega lm}, a_{\omega' l' m'}] &= 0 = [a_{\omega lm}^\dagger, a_{\omega' l' m'}^\dagger], \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

and the “in” vacuum is given by

$$a_{\omega lm}|0, \text{in}\rangle = 0.$$

Note that unlike the asymptotic flat spacetime [1], we cannot take the ordinary v modes to define the “in” vacuum here. This is because V_C and not v is a null geodesic generator of the cosmological horizon [cf. discussions below Eq. (15)]. In other words, choosing the coordinate of freely falling observers here seems to naturally carry the intuitive notion that the vacuum should be the state most compatible with the spacetime geometry.

Let us now consider modes propagating inward after emanating from \mathcal{C}^- and entering the collapsing body in the second diagram of Fig. 2. In order to describe this dynamics, we shall take the usual (u, v) modes. Precisely, we shall consider incoming v modes entering the body, getting scattered by the centrifugal barrier at $r = 0$, off to \mathcal{C}^+ . However, since the (u, v) coordinates are not well defined on the horizons [Eq. (5)], we cannot have a physical vacuum on \mathcal{C}^+ for modes written in these coordinates, similar to the asymptotic flat spacetimes [4]. Accordingly, we shall imagine intercepting such modes by a static observer on their way to \mathcal{C}^+ at a point *close to, but not on* \mathcal{C}^+ . Following Ref. [1] (also, e.g., Refs. [7,9]), we shall then trace these modes back onto \mathcal{C}^- through the collapsing body via the null geodesic approximation, and then we will compute the Bogoliubov coefficients with respect to Eq. (23). We can thus specify the “out” mode functions near \mathcal{C}^+ and on \mathcal{H}^+ as

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{d\omega}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{lm} \left[b_{\omega lm} \zeta_{\omega l}(r) \frac{e^{-i\omega u} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)}{\sqrt{2\omega} r} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + b_{\omega lm}^\dagger \zeta_{\omega l}^*(r) \frac{e^{i\omega u} Y_{lm}^*(\theta, \phi)}{\sqrt{2\omega} r} + c_{\omega lm} q_{\omega lm} + c_{\omega lm}^\dagger q_{\omega lm}^\dagger \right], \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

where $q_{\omega lm}$'s are some complete ingoing mode functions localized on \mathcal{H}^+ , and the operators $b_{\omega lm}$ and $c_{\omega lm}$ separately satisfy commutation relations analogous to Eq. (24). The functions ζ and ζ^* smoothly reach unity as $r \rightarrow r_C$, by Eq. (18). A power series solution of them can easily be found in the neighborhood of \mathcal{C}^+ , perhaps useful for determining the exact renormalized energy-momentum tensor, but we shall not go into that here. Also, the inner product between the mode functions in Eq. (25) vanishes, as they are mutually disconnected. Let us now imagine a ray, which after getting scattered within the collapsing object, leaves it just before the black hole horizon forms. Then,

- (i) For an outgoing mode $\sim e^{-i\omega u}$, by Eqs. (9) and (10), the advanced null coordinate v would diverge logarithmically on the future black hole horizon. This mode would eventually reach \mathcal{C}^+ with a high value of the retarded coordinate u . We trace this back to \mathcal{C}^- along a past-directed null geodesic through the collapsing body. Some part of the wave during this process will be scattered back towards \mathcal{C}^+ by the effective potential barrier of Eq. (18) before entering the body.
- (ii) As we trace the ray back through the collapsing body, the outgoing ray becomes incoming $\sim e^{-i\omega v}$, and accordingly by continuity, the phase of the mode function is given by $v \equiv v(u) = -\frac{1}{\kappa_H} \ln(-C\lambda) + v_0$ [Eq. (10)], where $C > 0$ and v_0 are constants.
- (iii) Since $\lambda \rightarrow 0^-$ [Eqs. (9) and (10)], such modes would always propagate along null geodesics. However, when such a mode is traced back to \mathcal{C}^- along a past-directed outgoing null geodesic, the functional form of the affine parameter λ will be changing in a continuous manner. What is its final form on \mathcal{C}^- ? Certainly, since such modes are past directed and outgoing on \mathcal{C}^- , it would be given there by the affine parameter along the outgoing null geodesic generator of the cosmological event horizon, i.e., $\lambda = C'(V_C - V_0)$, where $C' > 0$ and V_0 are constants [cf. discussions after Eq. (16)], with $(V_C - V_0)$ being negative and close to zero.

Putting these all in together and using Eq. (19), we find the following expressions for the positive frequency mode functions—say $p_{\omega lm}$, on \mathcal{C}^- after the ray tracing—in terms of the advanced null coordinate V_C :

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\omega lm}^{(1)} &= \frac{e^{-i\omega v}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega}} \frac{Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)}{r_C} = \frac{e^{\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_C} \ln(-\kappa_C V_C)}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega}} \frac{Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)}{r_C} \\ &\quad (\text{modes that did not enter the collapsing body}), \\ p_{\omega lm}^{(2)} &= \frac{e^{\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_H} \ln(C_0(V_C - V_0))}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega}} \frac{Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)}{r_C} \\ &\quad (\text{entered and got scattered just prior to } \mathcal{H}^+ \text{ formed}), \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

where in the first line we have used Eq. (13), and $C_0 < 0$ is a constant whose explicit form is not necessary for our present purpose. Note that $(V_C - V_0)$ has to be less than or equal to zero in $p_{\omega lm}^{(2)}$. In other words, $V_C = V_0$ should denote the last ray that could escape to \mathcal{C}^+ just before \mathcal{H}^+ forms. Replacing V_C with v , the null geodesic generator of \mathcal{I}^- , in the second of the above equations recovers the result of the asymptotically flat spacetime [1]. There could be some additional global phases in the above modes owing to the scattering by the effective potential barrier of Eq. (18). However, such phases will not affect our computations anyway.

We must also note that the two traced-back waves in Eq. (26) are located in *disjoint regions* on \mathcal{C}^- , as follows. Let us trace back a single positive-frequency, outgoing mode function with a given value of the retarded coordinate u in Eq. (25). This splits into the aforementioned two segments, both essentially propagating with the speed of light. Thus, the wave that enters the collapsing body having traveled a longer “distance” compared to the other one would take longer to reach \mathcal{C}^- . Thus, when finally they are traced back to \mathcal{C}^- , they would correspond to two different values of the advanced null coordinate V_C . Conversely, if a wave starts from \mathcal{C}^- with some given value of v or V_C , by the time the part of the wave that enters the collapsing body reaches the static observer located near \mathcal{C}^+ , the part that did not enter would already have crossed him or her. Thus, any two *traced-back* rays $p_{\omega lm}^{(1)}$ and $p_{\omega lm}^{(2)}$ to \mathcal{C}^- with the same v in Eq. (26) must be disjoint there.

The mode $p_{\omega lm}^{(1)}$ corresponds to the classical graybody effect, and in the asymptotically flat black hole spacetimes, e.g., Refs. [1,7,9], their vacuum coincides with the “in” vacuum. For our case however, Eq. (26) shows that they would indeed suffer nontrivial redshift with respect to the Kruskal “in” modes, and hence would also give particle creation effects. Finally, as we have argued above, since the traced-back modes $p_{\omega lm}^{(1)}$ and $p_{\omega lm}^{(2)}$ propagate to regions of disjoint supports on \mathcal{C}^- , we may compute the Bogoliubov coefficients associated with them independently with respect to Eq. (23).

Being equipped with all these, we shall now compute the two-temperature spectra of created particles for the Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime below.

B. The Bogoliubov coefficients and the particle spectra

The techniques for the computation of the Bogoliubov coefficients and the spectra of the created particles are essentially parallel to that of the asymptotically flat spacetime, e.g., Refs. [1,3,7,9]. We shall mention only some key steps below for the sake of completeness.

We first note from Eq. (26) that the two modes are seemingly energetically different, and hence the vacua associated with them would also be different. Next, using Eq. (26), we compute the Bogoliubov relations between Eqs. (23) and (25) on \mathcal{C}^- . Since $q_{\omega lm}$ ’s have support only on \mathcal{H}^+ , they are not going to affect our computations. Using the integral representation [46]

$$\int_0^\infty dp p^{\alpha-1} e^{-ip} = e^{-\frac{i\pi\alpha}{2}} \Gamma(\alpha) \quad (\text{Re}(\alpha) > 0)$$

and Eq. (17), we find for the annihilation operator associated with the second mode function in Eq. (26)

$$b_{\omega lm}^{(2)} = -\sqrt{f_\omega} \frac{i(-C_0)^{\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_H}}}{2\pi\sqrt{\omega}} \Gamma\left(\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_H} + 1\right) \times \int_0^\infty d\omega' (\omega')^{-\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_H} - \frac{1}{2}} [e^{\frac{\pi\omega}{\kappa_H} + i\omega' V_0} a_{\omega' lm} + e^{-\frac{\pi\omega}{\kappa_H} - i\omega' V_0} a_{\omega' lm}^\dagger]. \quad (27)$$

Using now

$$\int_0^\infty dp p^{-1 \pm ix} = 2\pi\delta(x), \quad |\Gamma(1 + ix)|^2 = \frac{\pi x}{\sinh \pi x}, \quad (28)$$

and recalling that C_0 is negative and real, it is easy to show that

$$[b_{\omega_1 lm}^{(2)}, b_{\omega_2 l' m'}^{(2)\dagger}] = f_{\omega_1} \delta(\omega_1 - \omega_2) \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}, \\ [b_{\omega_1 lm}^{(2)}, b_{\omega_2 l' m'}^{(2)}] = 0 = [b_{\omega_1 lm}^{(2)\dagger}, b_{\omega_2 l' m'}^{(2)\dagger}], \quad (29)$$

where we have also used the fact that $\omega_1, \omega_2, \kappa_H \geq 0$. Also, $f_\omega < 1$ is the usual graybody function introduced in order to avoid overcompleteness. For the mode $p_{\omega lm}^{(1)}$, we would have

$$b_{\omega lm}^{(1)} = -\sqrt{1 - f_\omega} \frac{i(\kappa_C)^{\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_C}}}{2\pi\sqrt{\omega}} \Gamma\left(\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_C} + 1\right) \times \int_0^\infty d\omega' (\omega')^{-\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_C} - \frac{1}{2}} [e^{\frac{\pi\omega}{\kappa_C}} a_{\omega' lm} + e^{-\frac{\pi\omega}{\kappa_C}} a_{\omega' lm}^\dagger]. \quad (30)$$

It is easy to see that the above satisfies commutation relations analogous to Eq. (29).

We note that the existence of the two annihilation operators $b^{(1)}$ and $b^{(2)}$ implies the existence of two “out” vacua for the two kinds of modes we discussed. Evidently, this is not in any sense a doubling of the degrees of freedom, because they just correspond to the two scattered parts of the wave, which are energetically different for having undergone different redshifts.

The number of particles created by the black hole in a given eigenmode is $N_{\omega lm} = \langle 0, \text{in} | b_{\omega lm}^{(2)\dagger} b_{\omega lm}^{(2)} | 0, \text{in} \rangle$ (no sum on ω, l, m), which by Eq. (27) turns out to be divergent, showing that the total number of created particles is infinite. However, the number of particles created per unit Kruskal time is finite, as follows. We instead evaluate $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \langle 0, \text{in} | b_{\omega + \epsilon lm}^{(2)\dagger} b_{\omega lm}^{(2)} | 0, \text{in} \rangle$ and use

$$\delta(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{T_C \rightarrow \infty} \left(\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{-T_C/2}^{+T_C/2} dT_C e^{\pm i\epsilon T_C} \right) = \lim_{T_C \rightarrow \infty} \frac{T_C}{2\pi}$$

to find the thermal spectrum of created particles by the black hole per unit cosmological Kruskal time in the vicinity of \mathcal{C}^+ :

$$n_{\omega}^H = \lim_{T_C \rightarrow \infty} \frac{N_{\omega}}{T_C} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{f_{\omega}}{e^{\frac{2\pi\omega}{\kappa_H}} - 1}. \quad (31)$$

Likewise, for the particles created by the cosmological horizon, we obtain

$$n_{\omega}^C = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1 - f_{\omega}}{e^{\frac{2\pi\omega}{\kappa_C}} - 1}. \quad (32)$$

A couple of points should follow here. First, we could have chosen the cosmological Kruskal modes themselves to describe the collapse. In that case, it is easy to see that the first traced-back ray in Eq. (26) simply behaves as $\sim e^{-i\omega V_C}$, whereas the second behaves as $e^{\frac{i\omega(-C_0(V_C - V_0))^{\kappa_C/\kappa_H}}$. The first would give no particle creation for the cosmological horizon, whereas the second would predict a nonthermal spectrum for the black hole. Even though there is no computational inconsistency in it, we note that the Kruskal coordinates carry a natural physical interpretation with their respective horizons only. Thus, using a mode written in terms of the cosmological Kruskal coordinate on the black hole event horizon (while tracing back the modes) may not carry any natural physical meaning. Likewise, we could have defined the “out” vacuum with respect to the Kruskal mode $\sim e^{-i\omega U_C}$ on \mathcal{C}^+ . Since both the “in” and “out” vacua on the cosmological horizon will correspond to a freely falling observer’s coordinate, there will be no particle creation for the cosmological horizon in this vacuum. Also, as we argued above, such modes are not very meaningful for the purpose of describing the collapse dynamics and ray tracing. Putting all these observations together, it seems that our choice of the “out” vacuum is the only reasonable choice we could make, given that the “in” vacuum is unique in the present scenario.

Second, we note from Eq. (25) that the derivatives of the phases will dominate the other spatial derivatives by virtue of the null geodesic approximation. Using then Eq. (27) and the regularized sum $\sum_0^{\infty} (2l+1) = 1/12$, we obtain after normal ordering the leading expression for the flux of particles created by the black hole at the position of our stationary observer, say $r = r_0 < r_C$:

$$\int r_0^2 d\Omega^2 \langle 0, \text{in} | T_{t^t} | 0, \text{in} \rangle \approx \frac{|\zeta(r_0)|^2}{24\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d\omega \omega f_{\omega}}{e^{\frac{2\pi\omega}{\kappa_H}} - 1}, \quad (33)$$

showing the existence of a thermal flux. Likewise, by using Eq. (30), we obtain the same for the cosmological horizon, replacing κ_H with κ_C and f_{ω} with $(1 - f_{\omega})$.

Third, recalling that a u mode is unphysical on a Killing horizon because it yields a divergent expectation value of the energy-momentum tensor, e.g., Ref. [4], we would like to make a heuristic estimate on how “close” one could be to \mathcal{C}^+ for our choice of the “out” vacuum to consistently work. We have at $r = r_0$, for the particles created by the black hole,

$$\langle 0, \text{in} | T_{t^t} | 0, \text{in} \rangle \sim \frac{|\zeta(r_0)|^2}{(1 - 2M/r_0 - \Lambda r_0^2/3)r_0^2} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d\omega \omega f_{\omega}}{e^{\frac{2\pi\omega}{\kappa_H}} - 1}.$$

Let L_0 be the cutoff in terms of the proper radius:

$$L_0 = \int_{r_0}^{r_C} \frac{dr}{(1 - 2M/r - \Lambda r^2/3)^{1/2}}.$$

The smallest value of L_0 is expected to be the Planck length, L_P [47]. Writing $(1 - 2M/r_0 - \Lambda r_0^2/3) \approx \kappa_C(r_C - r)$ and recalling $|\zeta| \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$ near the horizon, we have

$$8\pi G \langle 0, \text{in} | T_{t^t} | 0, \text{in} \rangle \sim \left(\frac{\kappa_H L_P}{\kappa_C L_0 r_0} \right)^2.$$

Note that due to the appearance of the two surface gravities, the above term is qualitatively different from a single-horizon spacetime. Since we are ignoring backreaction of the field, we must have the upper bound for the sake of consistency:

$$\left(\frac{\kappa_H L_P}{\kappa_C L_0 r_0} \right)^2 \lesssim \Lambda.$$

Note that $\Lambda^{-1/2}$ sets one characteristic length scale of the theory, whereas the other is set by M . But since we must have $M\sqrt{\Lambda} \leq 1$ in order to have two horizons, the left-hand side of the above equation is automatically less than M^{-2} . Taking further $r_C \sim \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-1/2})$, we have at the leading order

$$L_0 \gtrsim \frac{\kappa_H}{\kappa_C} L_P. \quad (34)$$

In the analogous expression for particles created by the cosmological horizon, the ratio κ_H/κ_C is absent. Now, for de Sitter black holes with comparable horizon sizes, we may take $\kappa_H/\kappa_C \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$, giving $L_0 \gtrsim L_P$. For a few Solar-mass black holes in our current Universe, we have $L_0 \gtrsim 10^{-5}$ m. As long as we are well above these bounds, our chosen “out” vacuum will not produce any considerable backreaction effects, and we may safely use our “out” vacuum till r_0 . A similar conclusion holds for the other components of T_{μ}^{ν} .

This completes our discussions on the Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime. Below, we shall briefly discuss how these results generalize to the stationary axisymmetric Kerr–de Sitter spacetime.

IV. THE CASE OF THE KERR–DE SITTER SPACETIME

The Kerr–de Sitter metric in the Boyer–Lindquist coordinates reads

$$\begin{aligned}
 ds^2 = & -\frac{\Delta_r - a^2 \sin^2 \theta \Delta_\theta}{\rho^2} dt^2 \\
 & -\frac{2a \sin^2 \theta}{\rho^2 \Xi} ((r^2 + a^2) \Delta_\theta - \Delta_r) dt d\phi \\
 & +\frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\rho^2 \Xi^2} ((r^2 + a^2)^2 \Delta_\theta - \Delta_r a^2 \sin^2 \theta) d\phi^2 \\
 & +\frac{\rho^2}{\Delta_r} dr^2 + \frac{\rho^2}{\Delta_\theta} d\theta^2, \tag{35}
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta_r &= (r^2 + a^2) \left(1 - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right) - 2Mr, \\
 \Delta_\theta &= 1 + \frac{\Lambda a^2 \cos^2 \theta}{3}, \quad \Xi = 1 + \frac{\Lambda a^2}{3}, \\
 \rho^2 &= r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta.
 \end{aligned}$$

Setting $a = 0$ above recovers the Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime, whereas further setting $M = 0$ recovers the de Sitter spacetime written in the static patch. Setting $M = 0$ alone results in a line element diffeomorphic to the

de Sitter, e.g., Ref. [48] and references therein. The cosmological and the black hole event horizons, as earlier, are given by the largest (r_C) and the next-to-largest (r_H) roots of $\Delta_r = 0$, respectively, whereas the smallest positive root, $r = r_-$ of $\Delta_r = 0$, corresponds to the inner or the Cauchy horizon. There is an unphysical negative root r_u as well, $r_u = -(r_H + r_C + r_-)$. The surface gravities of the two horizons are given by

$$\kappa_{H,C} = \frac{\Delta'_r}{2(r^2 + a^2)} \Big|_{r=r_H, r_C}.$$

Finally, the horizon Killing fields are given by $\chi_{H,C} = \partial_t + \Omega_{H,C} \partial_\phi$, with

$$\Omega_{H,C} = \frac{a\Xi}{r_{H,C}^2 + a^2}$$

being the angular speeds on the two horizons.

Defining the conserved quantities $E = -g_{ab}(\partial_t)^a u^b$ and $L = g_{ab}(\partial_\phi)^a u^b$ as earlier, we obtain the following equations for a null geodesic, e.g., Ref. [37] and references therein:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dt}{d\lambda} &= \frac{\Xi}{\Delta_r \Delta_\theta \rho^2} \left[a \Delta_r \left(L - \frac{E a \sin^2 \theta}{\Xi} \right) + \frac{\Delta_\theta E (r^2 + a^2)^2}{\Xi} \left(1 - \frac{a L \Xi}{E (r^2 + a^2)} \right) \right], \\
 \frac{d\phi}{d\lambda} &= \frac{\Xi^2}{\Delta_r \Delta_\theta \rho^2 \sin^2 \theta} \left[\Delta_r \left(L - \frac{E a \sin^2 \theta}{\Xi} \right) - L a^2 \sin^2 \theta \Delta_\theta \left(1 - \frac{E (r^2 + a^2)}{a \Xi L} \right) \right], \\
 \rho^4 \left(\frac{dr}{d\lambda} \right)^2 &= (r^2 + a^2)^2 \left(E - \frac{a \Xi L}{r^2 + a^2} \right)^2 - \Delta_r K_C, \quad \rho^4 \left(\frac{d\theta}{d\lambda} \right)^2 = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} (E a \sin^2 \theta - \Xi L)^2 + \Delta_\theta K_C, \tag{36}
 \end{aligned}$$

where K_C is the Carter constant. Unlike the static spacetime, we cannot set $\phi = \text{const}$ here due to the frame dragging effect. Accordingly, we shall study a null geodesic moving along a constant θ , say θ_0 , e.g., Ref. [9]. In that case, we must have $K_C = 0$, and in addition from the last of the above equations, $L = a E \sin^2 \theta_0 / \Xi$. This simplifies the above equations to

$$\frac{dt}{d\lambda} = \frac{E(r^2 + a^2)}{\Delta_r}, \quad \frac{d\phi}{d\lambda} = \frac{\Xi a E}{\Delta_r}, \quad \frac{dr}{d\lambda} = \pm E, \tag{37}$$

where the \pm sign in the last equation indicates outgoing and incoming geodesic, respectively. The second of the above equations shows that the angular speed with respect to the affine parameter diverges on both the horizons. However in the locally nonrotating frames, $\phi_{H,C} = \phi - \Omega_{H,C} t$, it is easy to see that $d\phi_{H,C}/d\lambda = 0$. In other words, these frames represent local observers rotating with the horizon, so that with respect to them the angular speed of the geodesic becomes vanishing.

If we now define the tortoise coordinate as

$$r_\star = \int dr \frac{(r^2 + a^2)}{\Delta_r},$$

it is easy to see from the first and third equations of Eq. (37) that $u = t - r_\star$ and $v = t + r_\star$ are constants along the outgoing and the incoming geodesics, respectively. Thus, the properties of the outgoing and incoming null geodesics for Eq. (35) are essentially qualitatively the same as those of the Schwarzschild–de Sitter spacetime [Eq. (9)]. Accordingly, the expressions for the Kruskal coordinates are formally similar to Eq. (13) as well.

By taking now the ansatz for the positive-energy modes as

$$\frac{e^{i(-\omega t + m\phi)} S_{lm}(\theta) R_{\omega lm}(r)}{\sqrt{r^2 + a^2}},$$

for the basis modes of the massless scalar field, one finds for the radial modes

$$\frac{d^2 R_{\omega lm}}{dr_*^2} + \left(\omega - \frac{\Xi am}{r^2 + a^2} \right)^2 R_{\omega lm} + \frac{\Delta_r}{(r^2 + a^2)^2} \left(-\frac{\Delta_r(2r^2 - a^2)}{(r^2 + a^2)^2} + \frac{r\Delta'_r}{r^2 + a^2} - \lambda_{lm} \right) R_{\omega lm} = 0, \quad (38)$$

where $S_{lm}(\theta)$'s are the (orthonormal) spheroidal harmonics and λ_{lm} 's are the corresponding eigenvalues [3]. In the near (future) black hole horizon limit, we have the solutions $R \sim e^{\pm i(\omega - m\Omega_H)r_*}$. Defining the aforementioned azimuthal angular coordinate locally nonrotating on the horizon $\phi_H := \phi - \Omega_H t$, the basis modes near the black hole horizon take the form

$$\frac{e^{-i(\omega - m\Omega_H)u} e^{im\phi_H} S_{lm}(\theta)}{\sqrt{r_H^2 + a^2}}, \quad \frac{e^{-i(\omega - m\Omega_H)v} e^{im\phi_H} S_{lm}(\theta)}{\sqrt{r_H^2 + a^2}}. \quad (39)$$

If we restrict ourselves to $\omega \geq m\Omega_H$ —i.e., if we discard any superradiant scattering [45]—the above modes indeed become positive-frequency solutions.

In order to have the “in” mode functions on \mathcal{C}^- , we use a locally nonrotating coordinate system there, via $\phi = \phi_C + \Omega_C t$, which transforms Eq. (35) as $r \rightarrow r_C$ according to

$$p_{\omega lm}^{(1)} = \frac{e^{-i\omega v + im\phi_C} S_{lm}(\theta)}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega} (r_C^2 + a^2)^{1/2}} = \frac{e^{\frac{i\omega}{\kappa_C} \ln(-\kappa_C V_C) + im\phi_C} S_{lm}(\theta)}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega} (r_C^2 + a^2)^{1/2}} \quad (\text{modes that did not enter the collapsing body}),$$

$$p_{\omega lm}^{(2)} = \frac{e^{\frac{i(\omega - m\Omega_H)}{\kappa_H} \ln(C_0(V_C - V_0)) + im\phi_C} S_{lm}(\theta)}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2\omega} (r_C^2 + a^2)^{1/2}} \quad (\text{entered and got scattered just prior to } \mathcal{H}^+ \text{ formed}). \quad (41)$$

The rest of the computation follows in an exactly similar manner to the static spacetime described in Sec. III B. The near- \mathcal{C}^+ cutoff L_0 introduced in Sec. III B reads here as

$$L_0 = \int_{r_0}^{r_C} \frac{(r^2 + a^2)^{1/2} dr}{\sqrt{\Delta_r}}.$$

The particle creation rate by the cosmological event horizon turns out to be the same as Eq. (32), whereas for the black hole we obtain

$$n_{\omega lm}^H = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{f_{\omega lm}}{e^{\frac{2\pi(\omega - m\Omega_H)}{\kappa_H}} - 1} \quad (\omega - m\Omega_H > 0). \quad (42)$$

The above results indicate the existence of thermal fluxes as earlier. However, any explicit computation of the expectation values of the energy-momentum tensor will be much more difficult compared to that of Eq. (1), because the angular eigenvalues [λ_{lm} in Eq. (38)] will now be highly nontrivial due to the absence of the spherical symmetry,

$$ds^2 \approx -\frac{\Delta_r \rho^2}{(r^2 + a^2)^2} dt^2 + \frac{\rho^2}{\Delta_r} dr^2 + \frac{\rho^2}{\Delta_\theta} d\theta^2 + \frac{\sin^2 \theta (r^2 + a^2)^2 \Delta_\theta}{\rho^2 \Xi^2} d\phi_C^2.$$

We expand the wave equation in the above background near the cosmological event horizon to obtain

$$\left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_*^2} \right) p_{\omega lm} + \frac{\Delta_r r^2}{(r^2 + a^2)^3} \left(\frac{3\Delta_r}{r^2 + a^2} - \frac{\Delta_r}{r^2} - \frac{r\Delta'_r}{r^2} + \lambda_{lm} \right) p_{\omega lm} = 0. \quad (40)$$

We may rewrite this equation using the Kruskal coordinates on the cosmological horizon, which are, as we argued, formally similar to Eq. (13). Accordingly, under the geometric optics approximation, we obtain the expansion formally similar to Eq. (23) for the “in” modes [with Y_{lm} replaced with S_{lm} and $1/r_C$ replaced with $(r_C^2 + a^2)^{-1/2}$] on \mathcal{C}^- . On the other hand, since the effective potential vanishes on the horizons, as earlier we find the “out” mode expansion to be formally similar to Eq. (25). Putting these all together and using Eq. (39), we obtain the analogue of Eq. (26):

e.g., Refs. [49,50] and references therein. To the best of our knowledge, there has been no systematic study yet of the vacuum expectation values of the energy-momentum tensor for various spin fields in the Kerr–de Sitter geometry. We hope to address this issue in full detail in our future works. However, in any case, it is evident that the thermal characteristics of the outgoing spectrum will indeed remain intact.

V. DISCUSSIONS

In this work, we considered particle creation in a quasistationary gravitational collapse occurring within the region enclosed by the past and future segments (\mathcal{C}^- and \mathcal{C}^+) of the cosmological event horizon in a (3 + 1)-dimensional eternal de Sitter universe (Fig. 2). We considered the dynamics of a massless minimally coupled scalar field obeying the null geodesic approximation. The only reasonable “in” vacuum was the one defined with respect to the positive-frequency regular Kruskal V_C modes localized on \mathcal{C}^- at the onset of the collapse

[Eq. (23)]. The usual (u, v) modes were used to describe the collapse dynamics, and the “out” vacuum was defined with respect to the positive-frequency mode $\sim e^{-i\omega u}$ at some radial point “close” to \mathcal{C}^+ . With these choices of vacua, we computed after ray tracing to \mathcal{C}^- the Bogoliubov coefficients and the two-temperature spectra of created particles in Sec. III B. Since the coordinate u used to define the “out” vacuum is not well defined on \mathcal{C}^+ , we have made a heuristic estimate by considering backreaction at the end of Sec. III B, on how close we might be to it while defining that vacuum. We further have provided arguments in the favor of uniqueness of the “out” vacuum we have chosen, in order to obtain particle creation by both horizons.

Note that there will also be an influx of particles at late times toward \mathcal{H}^+ [Eq. (25)]. The spectrum will depend upon the precise form of the $q_{\omega lm}$ modes we choose. Also, as long as we are not taking the Nariai limit $r_H \rightarrow r_C$, our results hold good irrespective of the relative sizes of the two horizons.

The chief qualitative differences of this derivation from that of the eternal black holes [7,38] seem to be the difference in the number of “in” vacua. First, for such black holes, we must have two Kruskal vacua associated with the two horizons which are the analogues of the “in” vacuum. In our present case, as we discussed earlier, there

can be only one “in” vacuum, and the two-temperature spectra are derived with respect to that vacuum only.

There exist several interesting and important directions that could be pursued further. First, it would be interesting to see if we can relax the eternal characteristics of the de Sitter horizon as well. This would probably correspond to formation of a black hole in a Λ CDM universe described by a McVittie metric, e.g., Ref. [36] and references therein (see also Ref. [51] and references therein for a discussion on particle creation in a Swiss-cheese universe). Second, as we have discussed at the end of Sec. IV, the computation of the regularized vacuum expectation values of the energy-momentum tensors of various spin fields in the Kerr–de Sitter background seems to be very important as well. Finally, it would further be important to understand all these results in the Nariai limit, especially in the early-universe scenario [11–14]. We hope to address these issues in our future works.

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