

Dark Origins: Departure from an *Ex-Nihilo* Big Bang

Onyemaechi Ahanotu

1 Abstract

2 With the growing body of research on black holes, it is becoming increasingly apparent that these celestial objects may have
3 a stronger part to play in our Universe than previously thought, shaping galaxies and influencing star formation. In this
4 manuscript, I take these findings a step further, proposing a new set of boundary conditions to both the early and late Universe,
5 extrapolating from thermodynamics. I propose that our Universe may collapse into a massive black hole and that the Big
6 Bang is a result of a collision or interaction between Supra Massive Black Bodies (SMBBs, black holes at the mass scale
7 of the known Universe) of opposite matter type (baryonic and anti-baryonic) and disproportionate masses a stark departure
8 from the classical *Ex-Nihilo* creation (from nothing) approach. Such a collision, between a matter and anti-matter SMBB,
9 with disproportionate masses could account for both the explosion referenced as the Big Bang, as well as the drastic baryonic
10 asymmetry that we observe. Expulsion of black body material from the interaction could also account for Primordial Seed
11 black holes.

12 *Keywords: Black Hole; Big Bang; Early Universe; Dark Matter; Ex-Nihilo; Baryonic Asymmetry*

13 *Original Draft- June 22nd, 2020*

14 *Revision- July 11th, 2020*

15 1. Introduction

16 Many creation or origin stories center around the concept of *Ex Nihilo* (from nothing) creation; from the
17 Kono people's Hâ [1] to the current Big Bang Theory. [2] Prior to the key 'creation' event, it is commonly
18 theorized that there had been a void of sorts, free from the 'real' time and physical laws we know. While
19 not materially influential to our lives, how we think about the origins and bounds of the Universe has
20 direct implications on our approaches to understanding the world around us, and how we utilize our limited
21 scientific resources. While we continue to understand more and more, we should humbly acknowledge our
22 collective scientific history, as there is often something beyond that which we can see- both in the direction
23 of the very small and very large.

24 The past decade (2010-2019) has played host to monumental collaborative research, the impacts of which
25 are yet to be truly understood. In 2012, CERN's team was able to detect the Higgs-Boson [3] the particle
26 thought to be responsible for mass. In 2016, the LIGO/Virgo collaboration published observations of the
27 gravity fluctuations caused by merger GW150914 [4] and the visualization of the accretion disk [5] around
28 the super massive black hole in Galaxy M87. In addition, last year a proposal emerged that there may be
29 a 'basketball-sized' black hole, in our solar system- as a Trans-Neptunian Object; [6] accounting for the
30 missing mass in our solar system. We are learning that black holes, likely at the center of every galaxy, may
31 be playing a larger role in our Universe than we think.

32 Black holes can be formed through the supernova of a massive star, or the implosion of a neutron star-
33 both relying on the compression of a critical mass under immense forces. These routes to formation have
34 size/mass restrictions that are linked to the stability of the previous form. Accretion-based growth rate
35 limitations can be described by the Eddington limit [7] and is generally accepted, at the moment, with some
36 slight special case exceptions. [8] In all cases, other than merger, the growth rates are limited by both the
37 available ‘food’ and accretion dynamics (*i.e.* maximum luminosity a body can achieve; balance of radiative
38 and gravitational forces). These models and assumptions can account for observed black holes such as ones
39 in the center of our own Milky Way, but they cannot explain so-called Primordial Black Holes (PBHs), [9]
40 formed through unknown mechanisms, increasingly believed to be quite prevalent across our Universe. PBHs
41 and more generally Massive Astrophysical Compact Halo Objects (MACHO), [10] such as black holes, dwarfs
42 and planets not associated with planetary systems, are the current best candidates to account for the ‘dark
43 matter’ [11] within our Universe.

44 So many open question remain, a few of them include: Dynamics of inflation of our Universe (shortly
45 after the Big Bang), what are the bounds of our Universe, and perhaps the most fundamental question-
46 ‘Where did all of this come from?’ The Big Bang is accepted to be the ‘what’ in our Universe coming into
47 existence, but how and why that ‘Big Bang’ occurred is something entirely different. Extrapolating from the
48 accumulated knowledge, we may begin to understand the more generalized nature of black holes.

49 Inspiration and analogies can come in many forms; J.J. Thompson had plums in pudding, [12] Isaac
50 Newton had The Apple [13] and Albert Einstein had The Train. [14] Simple objects in the world around
51 us can be used to orient how we think about the complex Universe, acting all around us. With so much
52 unknown and currently untestable, this paper orients away from the contents of a black hole and towards
53 the more generalized behavior and what we can learn from it.

54

55 2. Discussion

56 A concept that assisted with my orientation around the concept of black holes was the coalescence of bubbles
57 in a cappuccino foam, enjoyed after a black hole symposium. Energy and agitation are required to mix the
58 air with milk and create the new interfaces present in the micro foam. Each air bubble within the foam
59 is temporarily stabilized by the surrounding milk matrix. Given time, the air bubbles are driven towards
60 merger; the smaller the foam bubbles the longer it will take the merging bubbles to reach a given size. What
61 can we learn from the foam and how can these holes help us complete the picture?

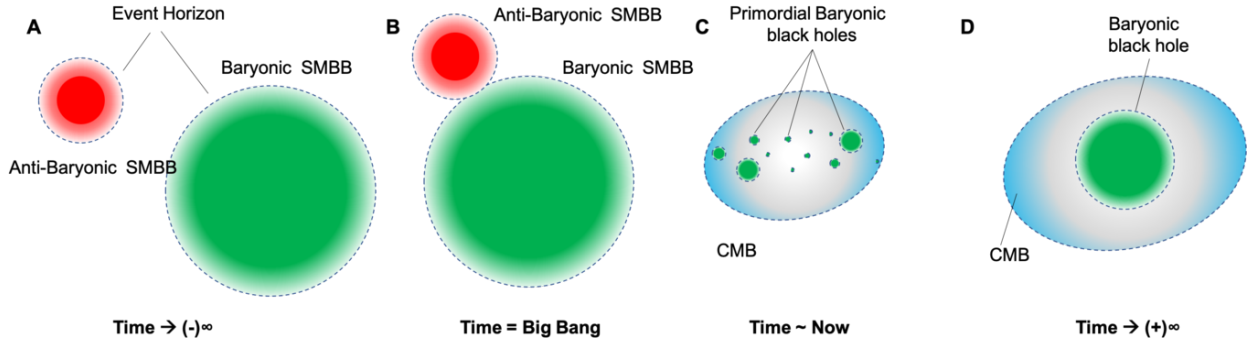
62 From observations of black hole mergers, we can see that black hole merger is favorable. The growth of
63 a black hole event horizon there is a theorized increase in entropy, according to the Berkenstein-Hawking
64 formula [15] $S_{BH} = \frac{k_B A}{4l_p^2}$; where S_{BH} is the entropy of the black hole event horizon, k_B is the Boltzmann
65 constant, A is the area of the event horizon and l_p is the Plank length. The merger and growth of black
66 holes should be entropically favored, in line with the second law of thermodynamics.

67 Through understanding where our Universe may trend towards as time goes towards infinity, we may
68 understand something about the ‘initial’ state and possible perturbations. With enough time, the known

69 Universe may move towards black body material, through absorption and coalescence similar to that seen in
70 droplet growth dynamics; large droplets ‘eating’ smaller ones driven through surface tension. Likewise, in the
71 case of black holes, surface energetics that occur at the event horizon are entropically driven. [16] With this
72 in mind, let us recall the old adage: ‘From dust to dust.’ [17] I theorize that the Big Bang, and the formation
73 of our Universe, were caused by the interaction of black-holes far more massive than our Universe. Rather
74 than ex-Nihilo, our Universe creation may resemble something closer to the Hirayagarbha, [18] (‘Golden
75 Egg’) from which all emerged in Vedic philosophy.

76 *2.1 Supra Massive Black Body Annihilation*

77 A thought experiment: Imagine the merger of two black holes, except instead of them both being made up
78 of baryonic or koinomatter (‘Ordinary’ matter), [19] one is made of Anti-Matter, obeying the same physics,
79 though opposite in quantum properties [20] (momentum, charge, etc.). Both of the black holes contain very
80 concentrated masses that would attract one another, however instead of merging, there would be a spectacular
81 annihilation (**Figure 1**). The interaction would give rise to massive amounts of energy, production of photons
82 and neutrinos.[21] The energy released should be proportional to the mass-energy equivalence; $E=mc^2$ (E is
83 Energy, m is mass $2 \times \text{Mass}_{\text{Anti-matter BH}}$, c is the speed of light).



84 **Figure 1. Proposed schematic of the Big Bang event and production of primordial black**
85 **holes; A) attraction of baryonic /Anti-Baryonic SMBBs of asymmetric masses, B) Partial**
86 **annihilation of baryonic SMBB, C) post inflation Universe with Cosmic Background radiation**
87 **from annihilation and ‘atomization’ of SMBB to form primordial black holes, D) entropically**
88 **driven merger of remaining universal mass into barionic black hole as time goes to infinity.**

89

90 If this thought experiment were to occur at the mass scale of our Universe, a interaction with an anti-
91 matter black hole could result in what we refer to as the Big Bang. The Eddington limit, might point to
92 why once mutual annihilation occurred with SMBB, that there was no immediate re-consolidation allowing
93 for a sufficiently long cooling period to reach the ‘Matter Dominated Era’ (est. 47,000 yrs. post-Big Bang).

94 To explain the baryonic asymmetry in the observable Universe, imbalance of matter (baryons) and

95 anti-matter (anti-baryons): if these two black bodies (SMBBs) were unequal in mass there would be an
96 asymmetrical distribution of matter type remaining. In this framework, I postulate that the baryonic black
97 body was far more massive than the anti-matter black body resulting in a large explosion, expelling large
98 baryonic black bodies that form what we observe as PBH sprinkled around the observable Universe. Other
99 approaches to explain the asymmetric distribution of matter types lean on the quantum mechanical mecha-
100 nisms occurring during electroweak epoch, [22] grand unification epoch, [23] or leptogenesis [24]- all occurring
101 after the Big Bang. The framework proposed has to do more with proportions of matter type pre-Big Bang
102 rather than more complicated quantum conversions of matter type.

103 One result of the above scenario, the CMB may be the residual outwardly propagating photons from
104 the energetic annihilation, similar to what we observe in super nova, however it does not represent the real
105 bound of the Universe but rather a shock wave of sorts. Beyond that more empty space, containing more
106 SMBBs and temporary, low-density matter systems, like our own.

107 A second result from the above conjecture: the energies released via annihilation of asymmetric masses
108 could cause ‘*atomization*’ or divisions of black bodies from the massive SMBB. This could cause a narrow
109 distribution of black hole masses which gradually grew and opportunistically merged during our early Uni-
110 verse. Revisiting the foam analogy, this would be something of an inverse of our traditional image of foam;
111 a dense spherified phase surrounded by a low density matrix. These dense spherified objects could be what
112 we refer to as primordial black holes and could have been key shapers of early nebulae and galaxies.

113 A third result is that if a similar SMBB pair interaction occurred with opposite mass proportions (possibly
114 with other SMBB-black bodies) a ‘Universe’/system, like ours, would exist and be made of ‘anti-matter’. Such
115 systems may co-exist presently but are spaced sufficiently far from our own making observation/detection
116 beyond the CMB difficult.

117

118 3. Conclusion

119 Unification of our part of the Universe into a singular black hole, seems to be entropically favored and in
120 line with the second law of thermodynamics, though kinetics of such a “Big Crunch” are not taken into
121 account here. If this is the case, the end of our Universe would look similar to the beginning- considering
122 the Big Bang theory currently starts off as a ‘singularity’ which is also what lays beyond an event horizon.

123 With more tools to observe black hole behavior we can continue to understand the Universe around
124 us. The deeper we dig, the more questions we answer but also the more that are unearthed. There is
125 much evidence supporting the Big Bang, and particle physicists are continually searching for theoretical
126 particles to explain the observable Universe. Leptogenesis is the current testable hypothesis to explain the
127 asymmetry of matter and anti-matter, requiring stripping of the Higgs-field that gives mass and conversions
128 of anti-matter to matter in our early Universe. As a counter to leptogenesis, I propose that the asymmetry
129 of matter and anti-matter existed before the big-bang. Furthermore, the Big Bang itself was caused by the
130 proportional annihilation of anti-matter and matter black bodies with masses larger than the scale of the
131 currently observed Universe. Energetic remnants from this annihilation eventually proceeded to form our

132 matter dominated Universe that we exist in currently, along with formation of a distribution of ‘seed’ black
133 holes, at ‘time=0’ after the Big Bang, acting as particle concentrators and shaping the structures of our
134 Universe.

135 Research in the following areas will continue to evolve/develop and should be used to interrogate this
136 theory: definitive evidence of leptogenesis, starting with neutrino particle physics, understandings around
137 black hole stability and of course the composition beyond the event horizon. This is in addition to under-
138 standing if the bounds of the Universe exist as we believe them to. As humans, thinking beyond (or even
139 at) the scale of our current model of our Universe is almost too abstract to fathom.

140 Acknowledgements

141 The author wishes to thank Anna Shneidman for constructive comments and review assistance, in addition
142 to Nima Dinyari and Sarah Schlotter for fruitful discussions and/or ramblings. The author would like to
143 acknowledge Harvard University’s Center for Astrophysics for their symposia and providing a welcoming
144 attitude.

145 References

- 146 [1]B. Holas, Le culte de Zié: Eléments de la religion Kono (Haute Guinée Française). Thèse pour le doctorat
147 d’université, FeniXX, 1954.
- 148 [2]J.B. Hartle, S.W. Hawking, Wave function of the Universe, Physical Review D. 28 (1983) 2960–2975.
149 <https://doi.org/10.1103/physrevd.28.2960>.
- 150 [3]A. Collaboration, Observation of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson with the
151 ATLAS detector at the LHC, Physics Letters B. 716 (2012) 1–29. [https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physletb.](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physletb.2012.08.020)
152 [2012.08.020](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.physletb.2012.08.020).
- 153 [4]L.I.G.O.S. Collaboration, V. Collaboration, Observation of Gravitational Waves from a Binary Black Hole
154 Merger, Physical Review Letters. 116 (2016). <https://doi.org/10.1103/physrevlett.116.061102>.
- 155 [5]E.H.T. Collaboration, First M87 Event Horizon Telescope results. I. The shadow of the supermassive
156 black hole, Astrophysical Journal Letters. 875 (2019) L1.
- 157 [6]J. Scholtz, J. Unwin, What if Planet 9 is a Primordial Black Hole?, ArXiv Preprint ArXiv:1909.11090.
158 (2019).
- 159 [7]A.S. Eddington, On the radiative equilibrium of the stars, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical
160 Society. 77 (1917) 596–612.
- 161 [8]M. Volonteri, J. Silk, G. Dubus, THE CASE FOR SUPERCRITICAL ACCRETION ONTO MASSIVE
162 BLACK HOLES AT HIGH REDSHIFT, The Astrophysical Journal. 804 (2015) 148. [https://doi.org/](https://doi.org/10.1088/0004-637x/804/2/148)
163 [10.1088/0004-637x/804/2/148](https://doi.org/10.1088/0004-637x/804/2/148).

- 164 [9]S. Hawking, Gravitationally Collapsed Objects of Very Low Mass, Monthly Notices of the Royal Astro-
165 nomical Society. 152 (1971) 75–78. <https://doi.org/10.1093/mnras/152.1.75>.
- 166 [10]C. Alcock, R.A. Allsman, D.R. Alves, T.S. Axelrod, A.C. Becker, D.P. Bennett, K.H. Cook, N. Dalal,
167 A.J. Drake, K.C. Freeman, M. Geha, K. Griest, M.J. Lehner, S.L. Marshall, D. Minniti, C.A. Nelson, B.A.
168 Peterson, P. Popowski, M.R. Pratt, P.J. Quinn, C.W. Stubbs, W. Sutherland, A.B. Tomaney, T. Vandehei, D.
169 Welch, The MACHO Project: Microlensing Results from 5.7 Years of Large Magellanic Cloud Observations,
170 The Astrophysical Journal. 542 (2000) 281–307. <https://doi.org/10.1086/309512>.
- 171 [11]K. Inomata, M. Kawasaki, K. Mukaida, Y. Tada, T.T. Yanagida, Inflationary primordial black holes as
172 all dark matter, Physical Review D. 96 (2017). <https://doi.org/10.1103/physrevd.96.043504>.
- 173 [12]K. Inomata, M. Kawasaki, K. Mukaida, Y. Tada, T.T. Yanagida, Inflationary primordial black holes as
174 all dark matter, Phys. Rev. D. 96 (2017) 043504. <https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevD.96.043504>.
- 175 [13]N. Nersessian, D. Malament, Reading Natural Philosophy: Essays in the History and Philosophy of
176 Science and Mathematics, Open Court Chicago, 2002.
- 177 [14]A. Einstein, Relativity: The Special and the General Theory (15th ed.), Crown Publishers, Inc., 1961.
- 178 [15]S.W. Hawking, Particle creation by black holes, Communications In Mathematical Physics. 43 (1975)
179 199–220. <https://doi.org/10.1007/bf02345020>.
- 180 [16]D.J.E. Callaway, Surface tension, hydrophobicity, and black holes: The entropic connection, Physical
181 Review E. 53 (1996) 3738.
- 182 [17]Book of common prayer, Burial II (n.d.) 501.
- 183 [18]K.M. Ganguli, The Mahābhārata, n.d.
- 184 [19]P. Sukys, Lifting the Scientific Veil: Science Appreciation for the Nonscientist, Rowman & Littlefield,
185 1999. <https://books.google.com/books?id=WEM4hqxJ-xYC>.
- 186 [20]M. Ahmadi, B.X.R. Alves, C.J. Baker, W. Bertsche, E. Butler, A. Capra, C. Carruth, C.L. Cesar, M.
187 Charlton, S. Cohen, R. Collister, S. Eriksson, A. Evans, N. Evetts, J. Fajans, T. Friesen, M.C. Fujiwara, D.R.
188 Gill, A. Gutierrez, J.S. Hangst, W.N. Hardy, M.E. Hayden, C.A. Isaac, A. Ishida, M.A. Johnson, S.A. Jones,
189 S. Jonsell, L. Kurchaninov, N. Madsen, M. Mathers, D. Maxwell, J.T.K. McKenna, S. Menary, J.M. Michan,
190 T. Momose, J.J. Munich, P. Nolan, K. Olchanski, A. Olin, P. Pusa, C.Ø. Rasmussen, F. Robicheaux,
191 R.L. Sacramento, M. Sameed, E. Sarid, D.M. Silveira, S. Stracka, G. Stutter, C. So, T.D. Tharp, J.E.
192 Thompson, R.I. Thompson, D.P. van der Werf, J.S. Wurtele, Observation of the 1S–2S transition in trapped
193 antihydrogen, Nature. 541 (2016) 506–510. <https://doi.org/10.1038/nature21040>.
- 194 [21]R. Oerter, The Theory of Almost Everything: The Standard Model, the Unsung Triumph of Modern
195 Physics, Penguin Publishing Group, 2006. <https://books.google.com/books?id=KAM1sa8jtt4C>.
- 196 [22]V.A. Kuzmin, V.A. Rubakov, M.E. Shaposhnikov, On anomalous electroweak baryon-number non-
197 conservation in the early universe, Physics Letters B. 155 (1985) 36–42. [https://doi.org/10.1016/0370-](https://doi.org/10.1016/0370-2693(85)91028-7)
198 [2693\(85\)91028-7](https://doi.org/10.1016/0370-2693(85)91028-7).

- 199 [23]H. Georgi, S.L. Glashow, Unity of All Elementary-Particle Forces, Physical Review Letters. 32 (1974)
200 438–441. <https://doi.org/10.1103/physrevlett.32.438>.
- 201 [24]M. Fukugita, T. Yanagida, Barygenesis without grand unification, Physics Letters B. 174 (1986) 45–47.
- 202 [25]J.J. Thomson, XXIV. On the structure of the atom: an investigation of the stability and periods of
203 oscillation of a number of corpuscles arranged at equal intervals around the circumference of a circle with
204 application of the results to the theory of atomic structure, The London Edinburgh, and Dublin Philosophical
205 Magazine and Journal of Science. 7 (1904) 237–265. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14786440409463107>.
- 206 [26]The Mahabharata, (n.d.).
- 207 [27]A. Einstein, Relativity: The Special and the General Theory (15th ed.), New York: Crown Publishers,
208 Inc., 1961.