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# The Hubble Sphere, Gravitational Fluid, Fluid Mechanics and the Planck Scale

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**Abstract:** We will apply Pascal's hydrostatic pressure law to black holes and also to the Hubble sphere. Haug has recently demonstrated how hydrostatic pressure in water can be utilized to determine the Planck length. One can conceptualize the energy in the Hubble sphere as a type of superfluid, and if this is correct, then Blaise Pascal's hydrostatic pressure formula may also be applicable to such a superfluid, even within the Hubble sphere. By employing the same method on the Hubble sphere and considering it as a Schwarzschild black hole with the critical Friedmann mass, we can estimate the Planck length based on its hypothetical hydrostatic pressure.

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## 1. Background on Hydrostatic Pressure and the Planck Scale

Blaise Pascal's law gives us the well known hydrostatic pressure formula (see Granger [1]):

$$p = \rho g d \quad (1)$$

where  $p$  is the pressure,  $\rho$  is the liquid density of an "incompressible" fluid and  $d$  is the height of the liquid column, and  $g$  is the gravitational acceleration. As  $g = \frac{GM}{r^2}$ , we can rewrite this as:

$$p = \rho \frac{GM}{r^2} d \quad (2)$$

Further, Haug [2] has recently shown that the Planck length is given by:

$$l_p = \frac{r}{c} \sqrt{\frac{p \bar{\lambda}}{\rho d}} \quad (3)$$

where  $\bar{\lambda}$  is the reduced Compton [3] wavelength of the gravitational mass. By simply using manometers to measure the hydrostatic pressure in a water column, Haug [2] has demonstrated that one can find the Planck length from hydrostatic pressure.

In this paper, we will demonstrate that the hydrostatic pressure method can remarkably be applied to the Hubble sphere when treating it as a gigantic black hole, with all the energy being a type of perfect gravity fluid. The idea that parts of gravity can be modeled as a perfect fluid dates back at least to Benjamin's paper [4] in 1968 and has been discussed in many subsequent papers. Black hole cosmological models can be traced back to Pathera in 1972 [5] and later to Stucky in 1994 [6]. These models treat the Hubble sphere as a black hole, as the Schwarzschild radius appears to perfectly align with the Hubble radius.

In the critical Friedmann universe, the critical mass is given by

$$M_c = \frac{c^2 R_h}{2G} \quad (4)$$

where  $R_h = \frac{c}{H_0}$  is the Hubble radius and  $H_0$  is the Hubble parameter. However, we can solve this equation for the Hubble radius, yielding

$$R_h = \frac{2GM_c}{c^2} \quad (5)$$

Which is identical to the Schwarzschild radius. This idea of a black hole universe, despite being in conflict with the  $\Lambda$ -CDM model, continues to be a topic of ongoing discussion, as evidenced by recent publications such as [7–10]. However there are many types of black holes depending on the metric one study, the best known is the Schwarzschild metric, but we also have for example the Reissner-Nordström [11,12] metric, the Kerr [13] metric, the Kerr-Newman [14,15] metric and Haug-Spavieri [16] metric. We will here concentrate on the critical Friedmann solution.

## 2. Hubble Sphere Hydrostatic Pressure in the Critical Friedmann Universe

In the critical Friedmann [17] univers the gravitational acceleration at the Hubble radius distance must be:

$$g = \frac{GM_c}{r_H^2} = \frac{G \frac{c^3}{2GH_0}}{r_H^2} = \frac{cH_0}{2} \approx 3.25 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m/s}^2 \quad (6)$$

The kilogram density in the Hubble sphere is for the critical Friedmann universe given by

$$\rho_M = \frac{M_c}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_H^3} = \frac{M_c}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_s^3} = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} \quad (7)$$

The energy density is given by

$$\rho_E = \frac{M_c c^2}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_H^3} = \frac{M_c c^2}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r_s^3} = \frac{3H_0^2 c^2}{8\pi G} \quad (8)$$

The hydrostatic pressure of the Hubble sphere is given by

$$p = \rho_M \frac{GM_c}{r_H^2} r_H = \frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} \frac{cH_0}{2} r_H = \frac{3H_0^2 c^2}{8\pi G} \frac{1}{2} = \rho_E \frac{1}{2} \quad (9)$$

This is exactly half of the energy density in the critical Friedmann universe. Next, the Planck length should be given by:

$$l_p = \frac{r}{c} \sqrt{\frac{p\bar{\lambda}_c}{\rho_M d}} = \frac{r_H}{c} \sqrt{\frac{p\bar{\lambda}_c}{\rho_M r_H}} = \frac{1}{H_0} \sqrt{\frac{\frac{3H_0^2 c^2}{8\pi G} \frac{1}{2} \bar{\lambda}_c}{\frac{3H_0^2}{8\pi G} r_H}} = \frac{1}{H_0} \sqrt{\frac{\bar{\lambda}_c H_0 c}{2}} \quad (10)$$

where  $\bar{\lambda}_c$  is the reduced Compton wavelength of the critical Friedmann mass. It is given by the Compton [3] wavelength formula, but now applied to the critical Friedmann mass:  $\bar{\lambda}_c = \frac{\hbar}{M_c c}$ . This way to find the reduced Compton wavelength of the mass in the Hubble sphere requires knowledge of  $G$  as the critical Friedmann mass is given by  $M_c = \frac{c^3}{2GH_0}$ . However, Haug has recently demonstrated that the reduced Compton wavelength of the critical mass in the Hubble sphere is given by

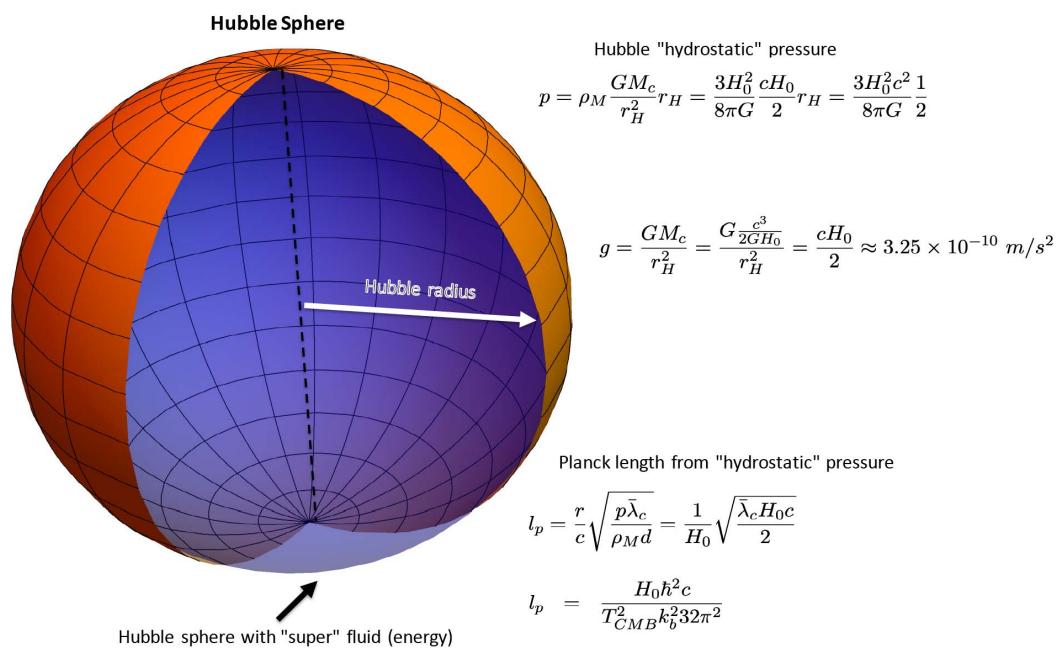
$$\bar{\lambda}_c = \frac{H_0^3}{T_{CMB}^4} \frac{\hbar^4 c}{k_b^4 512 \pi^4} \approx 3.79 \times 10^{-96} \text{ m} \quad (11)$$

where  $T_{CMB}$  is the cosmic microwave background temperature now, approximately 2.725 K, and  $k_b$  is the Boltzmann constant, and  $\hbar$  is the Planck constant. This means we can find the Planck length totally independent of knowledge of  $G$  from the cosmic scale. The reason is, in our view, that gravity is clearly linked to the Planck scale, and we can extract it also from the Hubble sphere with no knowledge of  $G$ .

This we have already demonstrated in multiple papers; what is new here is that we can apply basic fluid mechanics to the Hubble sphere, and it leads to the conclusion that we get the Planck length.

$$\begin{aligned}
 l_p &= \frac{1}{H_0} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_c H_0 c}{2}} \\
 l_p &= \frac{1}{H_0} \sqrt{\frac{\frac{H_0^3}{T_{CMB}^4} \frac{\hbar^4 c}{k_b^4 512 \pi^4} H_0 c}{2}} \\
 l_p &= \frac{H_0 \hbar^2 c}{T_{CMB}^2 k_b^2 32 \pi^2} \quad (12)
 \end{aligned}$$

We have not derived the Planck length from the pressure formula applied to the Hubble sphere to get a more accurate predictions of the Planck length than known from before, but to demonstrate that the Planck length indeed can be extracted from observations from the Hubble sphere without having to go through  $G$ . This implies a direct link between the CMB temperature, the Hubble constant, and the Planck length. What is remarkable in this paper is that we have demonstrated that this can also be derived by assuming the energy in the Hubble sphere is some kind of superfluid and then using standard hydrodynamics to deduce the Planck length. Figure 1 summarizes our findings.



**Figure 1.** The figure illustrates how we can model certain aspects of the Hubble sphere as simply a sphere filled with super fluid (energy of the Hubble sphere) and how this leads to a hydrostatic pressure that we can find the Planck length from without knowledge of  $G$ .

### 3. Conclusion

The energy in the Hubble sphere can be modeled as a gravitational superfluid, where standard fluid mechanics can be applied, including Blaise Pascal's law and hydrostatic pressure. This, once again, can be used to extract the Planck length independent of any knowledge of  $G$ .

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