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This is due no later than Dec 3rd.

III. (10 Pts) Terms from the Course

Find the best match and place the letter in the space provided.

A. Dark Energy	B. Doppler Effect	C. Bulk	D. Dark Matter
E. Lepton	F. Homogeneous	G. Isotropic	H. Spectrograph
I. Brane	J. Vulcan	K. Mercury	L. Quark
M. Cassini	N. Voyager	O. Time Dilation	P. Accretion disk

- a. What was probe was forced to crash into Saturn? _____
- b. A planet hypothesized to exist in the 1800s. _____
- c. The universe looks the same in any direction. _____
- d. What is used to detect composition of stars? _____
- e. What did Zwicky introduce to cosmology? _____
- f. Region where protons, electrons, and quarks live. _____
- g. What space probe has left the solar system? _____
- h. What is the cause of the accelerated expansion of the universe? _____
- i. La Verrier studied the motion of what planet? _____
- j. An electron is what fundamental particle in physics? _____

IV. (7 Pts) Numbers

- a. How old is the universe? _____
- b. How many galaxies are there? _____
- c. What are the current percentages of
 - i. Dark Energy _____
 - ii. Cold Dark Matter _____
 - iii. Radiation _____
- d. What is the radius of Gargantua? _____
- e. How big is a massive black hole? _____

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V. (16 pts) Short Answers: Be as specific as possible

- a. Describe all of the anomalies in the movie.

- b. How do massive black holes form?

- c. What distinguishes a naked singularity from others?

- d. How would you describe the Bulk to a lay person?

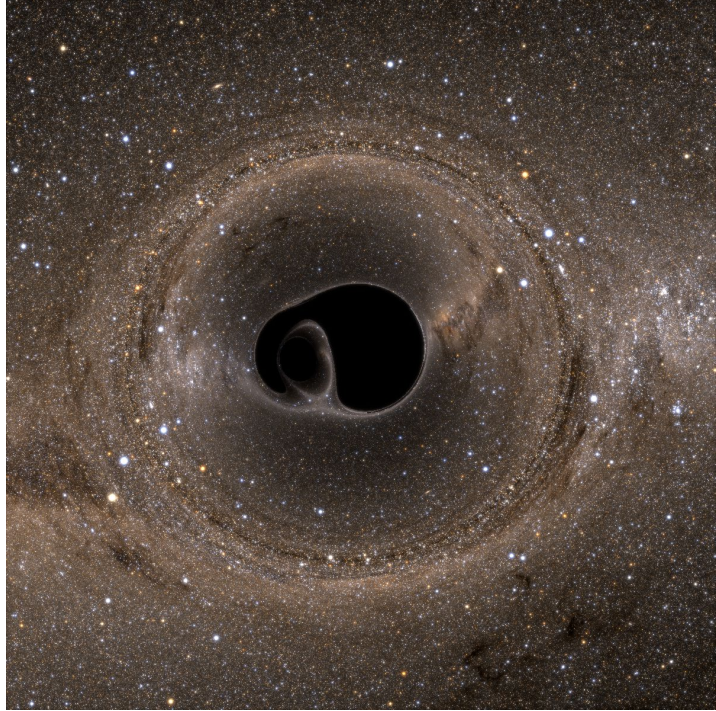
- e. What was Einstein's greatest blunder?

- f. What was Einstein's "happiest thought?"

- g. What is a hologram and how is this idea used to describe black holes?

- h. You can draw a triangle in Flatland and a 4-pointed pyramid in Sphereland. What would the generalization look like in four dimensions or five dimensions?

- VI. (8 pts) Black Hole Image** Describe what you see in this picture. Make sure to discuss things like Einstein rings, black hole shadows, gravitational lensing, possible multiple images, etc. Describe the physics behind what you see and point out specifics in the image supporting your claims.



IX. (10 Pts) Short Essays II. –Write coherent essays on each topic, listing at least five important facts.

a. What was the importance of gravity in the movie?

b. Time is presented as one of many dimensions. Present an argument as to why you think time is, or is not, a dimension.