

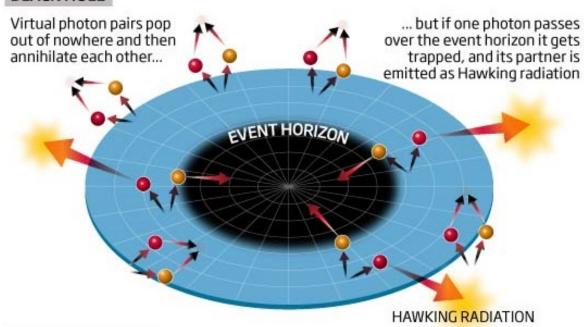
Hawking Radiation

Recently, scientists proposed that small, hot "morsel" <u>black holes</u>, ejected during larger **black hole mergers**, could emit detectable **high-energy photons**. These morsel black holes would emit **Hawking radiation** (named after Stephen Hawking) at an increasing rate as they lose mass, leading to their **explosive demise**.

- Smaller black holes are hotter and emit Hawking radiation faster than larger ones.
- Gravitational waves could detect black hole mergers, followed by gamma-ray telescopes spotting high-energy photons from morsel black holes as they emit Hawking Radiation.
 - It is predicted that the gravitational field of a black hole should **cause the creation of particles,** mostly photons directly from the vacuum of space.
- Hawking's Radiation:
 - It is the idea that black holes leak <u>thermal radiation</u>, <u>gradually evaporating</u> and ending their existence with a final explosion.
 - When one particle goes past the <u>event horizon</u>, it can't join back with its partner. The particles outside are known as Hawking radiation.
 - The event horizon is a region of space **beyond the black hole** or "point of no return.

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