The Chandrasekhar Mass Bound and Quantum Gravity

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With Stirling approximation, replacing p in terms A_{hor} , obtain identical formula for $S(A_{hor})$.

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- Does such a hypersurface actually form in stellar collapse ? Test simple models : Oppenheimer-Snyder model of pressureless dust collapse (ongoing)

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