

# Covariance in effective models of quantum black holes

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## Motivation

- Loop quantum gravity is formulated in terms of triads and connections.
- The operator associated to the connection  $A_a^j$  is not well defined, one quantizes the holonomies ( $\exp[i(\int \sigma_j \dot{\gamma}^a A_a^j)]$ ).
- Effective theories are supposed to encode the main quantum effects.  
Polymerization:  $A \rightarrow \frac{\sin(\lambda A)}{\lambda}$
- Singularity resolution in homogeneous models.

## Objetives

- Construct an effective theory of a spherical quantum black hole in the context of loop quantum gravity.
- Modify the General-Relativity (GR) Hamiltonian constraint, so that the deformed Hamiltonian **covariantly** defines a spacetime metric.
- Analyze the singularity resolution for black holes with  $Q$  and  $\Lambda$ .

# Polymerization of homogeneous cosmological models

Let us assume a homogeneous and isotropic cosmology with a scalar matter field  $\phi$ . Two couple of conjugate variables:

$$\{b, v\} = 1, \quad \{\phi, p_\phi\} = 1.$$

- **Classical dynamics**

The GR Hamiltonian constraint:  $\mathcal{H}_{GR} = -vb^2 + \frac{p_\phi^2}{v} = 0$

The energy density:  $\rho \equiv \frac{p_\phi^2}{v^2} = b^2$

The Hubble rate:  $\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 \propto \left(\frac{\dot{v}}{v}\right)^2 = \rho \implies$  **Singularity**

- **Polymerized effective theory**

The polymerized Hamiltonian constraint:  $\mathcal{H} = -v \frac{\sin^2(\lambda b)}{\lambda^2} + \frac{p_\phi^2}{v} = 0$

The energy density:  $\rho \equiv \frac{p_\phi^2}{v^2} = \frac{\sin^2(\lambda b)}{\lambda^2}$

The Hubble rate:  $\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 \propto \left(\frac{\dot{v}}{v}\right)^2 = \rho \left(1 - \frac{\rho}{\rho_{\max}}\right) \implies$  **Bounce**

# Spherical vacuum in General Relativity

Two conjugate couples:  $\{E^x(x_1), K_x(x_2)\} = \{E^\varphi(x_1), K_\varphi(x_2)\} = \delta(x_1, x_2)$ .

The total Hamiltonian  $H_T = H[N] + D[N^x]$  is a sum of constraints,

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{E^\varphi}{2\sqrt{E^x}}(1 + K_\varphi^2) - 2\sqrt{E^x}K_xK_\varphi + \frac{(E^{x'})^2}{8\sqrt{E^x}E^\varphi} - \frac{\sqrt{E^x}}{2(E^\varphi)^2}E^{x'}E^{\varphi'} + \frac{\sqrt{E^x}}{2E^\varphi}E^{x''},$$
$$\mathcal{D} = -E^{x'}K_x + E^\varphi K'_\varphi.$$

The hypersurface deformation algebra:

$$\begin{aligned}\{D[f_1], D[f_2]\} &= D[f_1f'_2 - f'_1f_2], \\ \{D[f_1], H[f_2]\} &= H[f_1f'_2], \\ \{H[f_1], H[f_2]\} &= D\left[\frac{1}{q_{xx}}(f_1f'_2 - f'_1f_2)\right].\end{aligned}$$

The metric:

$$ds^2 = -N^2 dt^2 + q_{xx}(dx + N^x dt)^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2,$$

with  $q_{xx} = (E^\varphi)^2/E^x$  and  $r = \sqrt{E^x}$ .

“Carefully” polymerizing the Hamiltonian

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{E^\varphi}{2\sqrt{E^x}} \left( 1 + \frac{\sin^2(\lambda K_\varphi)}{\lambda^2} \right) - \sqrt{E^x} K_x \frac{\sin(2\lambda K_\varphi)}{\lambda} + \frac{(E^{x'})^2}{8\sqrt{E^x} E^\varphi} - \frac{\sqrt{E^x}}{2(E^\varphi)^2} E^{x'} E^{\varphi'} + \frac{\sqrt{E^x}}{2E^\varphi} E^{x''},$$

one obtains the closed (anomaly-free) algebra,

$$\begin{aligned}\{D[f_1], D[f_2]\} &= D[f_1 f_2' - f_1' f_2], \\ \{D[f_1], H[f_2]\} &= H[f_1 f_2'], \\ \{H[f_1], H[f_2]\} &= D[F(f_1 f_2' - f_1' f_2)],\end{aligned}$$

with  $F = E^x \cos(2\lambda K_\varphi)/(E^\varphi)^2$ . However,

- $1/F$  does not have the correct transformation properties to be interpreted as  $q_{xx}$ .
- No known way to couple matter while keeping a closed algebra.

- In phase space, with Hamiltonian  $H_T = H[N] + D[N^x]$ , the **first-class constraints**

$$\begin{aligned}\{D[f_1], D[f_2]\} &= D[f_1 f'_2 - f'_1 f_2], \\ \{D[f_1], H[f_2]\} &= H[f_1 f'_2], \\ \{H[f_1], H[f_2]\} &= D[F(f_1 f'_2 - f'_1 f_2)],\end{aligned}$$

are generators of **gauge transformations**  $\delta_\epsilon \Phi = \{\Phi, H[\epsilon] + D[\epsilon^x]\}$ .

- Under a **coordinate transformation** in spacetime, the metric  $g_{ab}$  changes as  $\mathcal{L}_\xi g_{ab}$ , with  $\xi^\mu \partial_\mu = \xi^t \partial_t + \xi^x \partial_x$ .
- Both transformations must coincide if the gauge parameters are the components of  $\xi^\mu$  in the normal-tangential basis:  $\xi^\mu = \epsilon \partial_n + \epsilon^x \partial_x$ .
- In summary, one can covariantly define the metric

$$ds^2 = -N^2 dt^2 + q_{xx}(dx + N^x dt)^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2,$$

with  $q_{xx} := 1/F$ , as long as  $\delta_\epsilon(1/F) = \mathcal{L}_\xi q_{xx}$  and  $r$  is a scalar.

# Set up to construct a deformed covariant Hamiltonian

The classical Hamiltonian:

$$\mathcal{H}_{GR} = -\frac{E^\varphi}{2\sqrt{E^x}}(1 + K_\varphi^2) - 2\sqrt{E^x}K_xK_\varphi + \frac{(E^{x'})^2}{8\sqrt{E^x}E^\varphi} - \frac{\sqrt{E^x}}{2(E^\varphi)^2}E^{x'}E^{\varphi'} + \frac{\sqrt{E^x}}{2E^\varphi}E^{x''}$$

**Ansatz:** the most general Hamiltonian constraint quadratic in derivatives of  $E^x$  and  $E^\varphi$ :

$$\mathcal{H} = a_0 + a_{xx}(E^{x'})^2 + a_{\varphi\varphi}(E^{\varphi'})^2 + a_{x\varphi}E^{x'}E^{\varphi'} + a_1E^{x''} + a_2E^{\varphi''},$$

with all  $a_I$  and  $a_{ij}$  free functions of  $(E^x, K_x, E^\varphi, K_\varphi)$

**Requirements:**

- Anomaly freedom:  $\mathcal{H}$  forms a closed algebra with the diff constraint  $\mathcal{D}$ .
- Spacetime embeddability:  $\delta_\epsilon(1/F) = \mathcal{L}_\xi q_{xx}$ .
- The classical Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}_{GR}$  is recovered in a continuous limit.

The deformed covariant Hamiltonian constraint

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{H} = & -\mathfrak{g} \left( \frac{E^\varphi}{2E^x} \left( 1 - E^x V + A \frac{\sin^2(\omega K_\varphi)}{\omega^2} \right) \right. \\ & + K_x \left( A \frac{\sin(2\omega K_\varphi)}{\omega} - \left( \frac{E^{x'}}{2E^\varphi} \right)^2 \omega \sin(2(\omega K_\varphi + \phi)) \right) \\ & + E^\varphi \frac{\partial}{\partial E^x} \left[ A \frac{\sin^2(\omega K_\varphi)}{\omega^2} - \left( \frac{E^{x'}}{2E^\varphi} \right)^2 \cos^2(\omega K_\varphi + \phi) \right] \\ & \left. - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{E^{x''}}{E^\varphi} - \frac{E^{x'} E^{\varphi'}}{E^{\varphi^2}} + \frac{(E^{x'})^2}{4E^x E^\varphi} \right) \cos^2(\omega K_\varphi + \phi) \right),\end{aligned}$$

with  $\mathfrak{g}$ ,  $A$ ,  $\omega$ ,  $\phi$ , and  $V$  free functions of the scalar  $E^x$  only.

Vacuum GR corresponds to  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\phi \rightarrow 0$ ,  $V \rightarrow 0$ ,  $A \rightarrow 1$ , and  $\mathfrak{g} \rightarrow \sqrt{E^x}$ .



# Deformed covariant Hamiltonian constraint: properties

- The complexity of the initial ansatz is radically reduced by the covariance requirement.
- Trigonometric functions have not been chosen by hand, rather a consequence of covariance.
- Using the equations of motion, one can show that the function  $m := \sqrt{E^x} \left( 1 + A \frac{\sin^2(\omega K_\varphi)}{\omega^2} - \left( \frac{E^{x'}}{2E^\varphi} \right)^2 \cos^2(\omega K_\varphi + \phi) \right)$  is given on-shell by

$$m \approx M + \int V(E^x) dE^x.$$

- In particular,  $m$  is a constant of motion if  $V = 0$ .
- The potential  $V$  can reproduce a cosmological-constant and charge.
- The associated metric of the deformed theory is given by,

$$ds^2 = -N^2 dt^2 + \frac{1}{F} (dx + N^x dt)^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2,$$

with  $F = \frac{g^2}{E^\varphi} \left( A \cos^2(\phi) + \omega^2 \left( 1 - \frac{2m}{\sqrt{|E^x|}} \right) \right)$  and  $r = r(E^x)$ .

# Deformed Hamiltonian constraint: spacetime structure

- There exists a Killing vector field  $\xi = \xi_\mu dx^\mu$ , with  $\mu = 0, 1$ .
- $\xi_\mu$  is everywhere orthogonal to  $\nabla_\mu r$ , that is,  $\xi^\mu \nabla_\mu r = 0$
- $G := \xi^\mu \xi_\mu$ ,  $H := \nabla_\mu r \nabla^\mu r$ . Wherever  $\nabla_\mu r \neq 0$ , then  $\text{sign}(G) = -\text{sign}(H)$  as long as .

Four different regions of the spacetime:

- $G < 0$  and  $H > 0$ : **static nontrapped** regions with  $\nabla_\mu r$  spacelike and  $\xi_\mu$  timelike.
- $G > 0$  and  $H < 0$ : **trapped homogeneous** regions with  $\nabla_\mu r$  timelike and  $\xi_\mu$  spacelike.
- $G = 0$  and  $H = 0$  (with  $\nabla_\mu r \neq 0$ ): **Killing horizons**, which separate trapped and nontrapped regions, where both  $\nabla_\mu r$  and  $\xi_\mu$  are lightlike.
- $\nabla_\mu r = 0$ : **critical points**. (For  $\phi = 0$ ,  $\nabla_\mu r = 0 \iff F = 0$ ).

Other specific properties of the spacetime under consideration depend on the chosen free functions.

# Particular case

- Let us consider a constant value for  $\omega = \lambda$  and the GR values for  $\phi = 0$ ,  $A = 1$ , and  $\mathfrak{g} = \sqrt{E^x}$ .

$$\mathcal{H} = -\frac{E^\varphi}{2\sqrt{E^x}} \left( 1 + \frac{\sin^2(\lambda K_\varphi)}{\lambda^2} \right) - \sqrt{E^x} K_x \frac{\sin(2\lambda K_\varphi)}{\lambda} \left( 1 + \left( \frac{\lambda E^{x'}}{2E^\varphi} \right)^2 \right) \\ + \frac{\cos^2(\lambda K_\varphi)}{2} \left( \frac{E^{x'}}{2E^\varphi} \left( \sqrt{E^x} \right)' + \sqrt{E^x} \left( \frac{E^{x'}}{E^\varphi} \right)' \right) + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{E^x} E^\varphi V(E^x)$$

- The potential  $V(E^x)$  will be chosen below to describe  $\Lambda$  and  $Q$ .
- This Hamiltonian can be obtained from a **canonical transformation** plus a **linear combination** of the GR constraints:

$$E_{(GR)}^x = E^x, \quad K_x^{(GR)} = K_x, \quad E_{(GR)}^\varphi = \frac{E^\varphi}{\cos(\lambda K_\varphi)}, \quad K_\varphi^{(GR)} = \frac{\sin(\lambda K_\varphi)}{\lambda}.$$

$$\left( \mathcal{H}_{GR} + \lambda \sin(\lambda K_\varphi) \frac{\sqrt{E^x} E^{x'}}{2E^{\varphi^2}} \mathcal{D} \right) \cos(\lambda K_\varphi) = \mathcal{H}$$

- This motivates the choice  $V(E^x) = \left( \Lambda + \left( \frac{Q}{E^x} \right)^2 \right)$  and  $r = \sqrt{E^x}$ .

# Particular case: the structure and the mass functions

- The structure function in  $\{H[f_1], H[f_2]\} = D[F(f_1 f_2' - f_1' f_2)]$  reads

$$F = \frac{\cos^2(\lambda K_\varphi)}{1 + \lambda^2} \left( 1 + \left( \frac{\lambda E^{x'}}{2E^\varphi} \right)^2 \right) \frac{E^x}{(E^\varphi)^2} \geq 0$$

- In terms of the mass function  $m(r) = M - \frac{Q^2}{2r} + \frac{\Lambda}{6} r^3$ ,

$$F = \left( 1 - \frac{2\lambda m(r)}{r} \right) \frac{r^2}{(E^\varphi)^2} \geq 0 \implies 2\lambda m(r) \leq r,$$

with  $\lambda := \frac{\lambda^2}{1+\lambda^2} \in [0, 1]$ .

- For vacuum (with  $Q = 0 = \Lambda$ ),  $m = M$  constant and  $r_0 := 2\lambda M \leq r$  is a minimum for  $r$ . If  $M > 0$  this will lead to the singularity resolution.
- For nonvacuum  $2\lambda m \leq r$  applies, but the possible ranges of definition of  $r$  depends on the specific values of the parameters  $(M, Q, \Lambda)$ .

# Particular case: metric and curvature

- By solving the equations of motion

$$\dot{E}^x = \{E^x, \mathcal{H}\}, \quad \dot{K}_x = \{K_x, \mathcal{H}\}, \quad \dot{E}^\varphi = \{E^\varphi, \mathcal{H}\}, \quad \dot{K}_\varphi = \{K_\varphi, \mathcal{H}\}$$

in certain gauge, we obtain the metric in diagonal form

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{2m(r)}{r}\right) dt^2 + \left(1 - \frac{2m(r)}{r}\right)^{-1} dx^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2,$$

valid for  $r \neq 2m(r)$  and with  $r = r(x)$  defined by

$$\left(\frac{dr(x)}{dx}\right)^2 = 1 - \frac{2\lambda m(r(x))}{r(x)}$$

- Here appears again the condition  $2\lambda m(r) \leq r$ .
- The norm of the Killing  $\xi^\mu \xi_\mu = (1 - 2m(r)/r) \implies$  same horizon structure as the corresponding GR solution.

# Particular case: covering domain $\mathcal{U}$

- Another gauge choice leads to

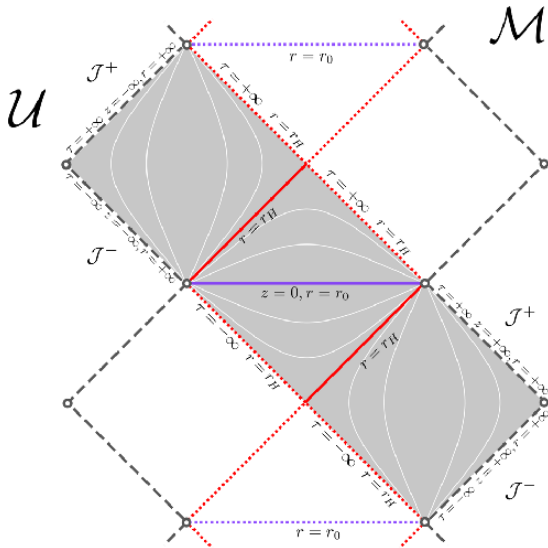
$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{2m(r(z))}{r(z)}\right)d\tau^2 + 2\sqrt{\frac{2m(r(z))}{r(z)}}d\tau dz + dz^2 + r(z)^2 d\Omega^2,$$

where  $(t, x)$  have been renamed as  $(\tau, z)$ .

- $(\tau, z)$  are horizon-crossing coordinates and their domain of definition is named  $\mathcal{U}$  (covering domain).
- $\tau \in (-\infty, \infty)$  and  $z$  restricted by  $m(r(z)) \geq 0$ .
- By transforming to null coordinates in different regions, and extending then the domains, one can construct the conformal diagram and obtain the maximal analytic extension of the spacetime  $\mathcal{M}$ .

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# Conformal diagram for vacuum ( $Q = 0 = \Lambda$ ) with $M > 0$



- Same **horizon** as in GR:  
 $r = r_H \equiv 2M$ .
- The **critical surface**  
 $r = r_0 \equiv 2\lambda M$  replaces the classical singularity and separates a trapped and antitrapped region.
- A perfectly regular and geodesically-complete spacetime.
- However, for  $M < 0$  the singularity is not resolved and the conformal diagram coincides with the classical one.

## Nonvacuum cases ( $Q \neq 0$ or $\Lambda \neq 0$ )

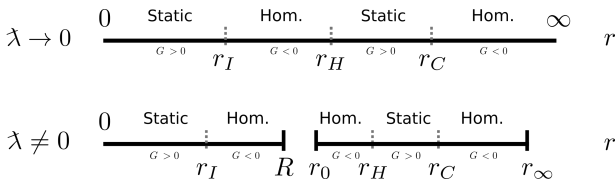
- There are a lot of possible different cases depending on the specific values of  $M$ ,  $Q$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,
- Not all the singularities are resolved.
- The Ricci scalar diverges at  $r = 0$  (except for  $M = Q = \Lambda = 0$ ) and at  $r \rightarrow \infty$  (for  $\Lambda \neq 0$ ):

$$\mathcal{R} = 4\Lambda \left(1 + \frac{\lambda}{2}\right) + 2\lambda \left(\frac{3M^2}{r^4} + \frac{Q^2}{r^4} \left(1 - \frac{4M}{r} + \frac{Q^2}{r^2}\right) - \Lambda \left(\frac{4M}{r} + \Lambda r^2\right) + \frac{4\Lambda Q^2}{3r^2}\right)$$



# Nonvacuum cases ( $Q \neq 0$ or $\Lambda \neq 0$ )

- The range for  $r$  is defined by  $r \geq 2\lambda m = 2\lambda \left( M - \frac{Q^2}{2r} + \frac{\Lambda}{6} r^3 \right)$ .
- The saturation of the above condition  $r_{\text{crit}} = 2\lambda \left( M - \frac{Q^2}{2r_{\text{crit}}} + \frac{\Lambda}{6} r_{\text{crit}}^3 \right)$  is equivalent to a fourth-order polynomial equation and it defines at most three possible positive critical values  $r_{\text{crit}} = R, r_0, r_\infty$ .
- The location of the horizons is defined by  $G \equiv \xi^\mu \xi_\mu = 0 \iff r = 2m$ . There are at most three:  $r_{\text{hor}} = r_I, r_H, r_C$ .
- Schematically:



## Nonvacuum cases ( $Q \neq 0$ or $\Lambda \neq 0$ )

We have classified all the possible singularity-free solutions of the theory:

- There exists a minimum value of  $r = r_0$ , so that  $r = 0$  is not contained in the domain.
- If  $\Lambda \neq 0$ , there exists a maximum value of  $r = r_\infty$ , so that  $r \rightarrow \infty$  is not contained in the domain.

In a nutshell, the spacetime to be singularity-free it must have

- $M \geq 0$ ,
- $\Lambda \geq 0$ , and
- $Q$  is bounded.

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# Nonvacuum cases ( $Q \neq 0$ or $\Lambda \neq 0$ )

More specifically, one gets the singularity-free

- Reissner-Nordström-de Sitter

$$C_1 := \left\{ \Lambda > 0, Q \neq 0, M > 0, 8Q^2 < 9\lambda M^2, \text{ and } \Lambda \in (\Lambda_-, \Lambda_+) \cap (0, \Lambda_+) \right\},$$

- Schwarzschild-de Sitter,

$$C_2 := \left\{ \Lambda > 0, Q = 0, \text{ and } \Lambda \in \left( 0, \frac{1}{9\lambda^3 M^2} \right) \right\},$$

- Reissner-Nordström,

$$C_3 := \left\{ \Lambda = 0 \text{ and } |Q| < \sqrt{\lambda M} \right\},$$

with  $\Lambda_{\pm} := \frac{3}{32\lambda^4 Q^6} \left[ 36\lambda^3 M^2 Q^2 - 27\lambda^4 M^4 - 8\lambda^2 Q^4 \pm \sqrt{\lambda^5 M^2 (9\lambda M^2 - 8Q^2)^3} \right]$ .

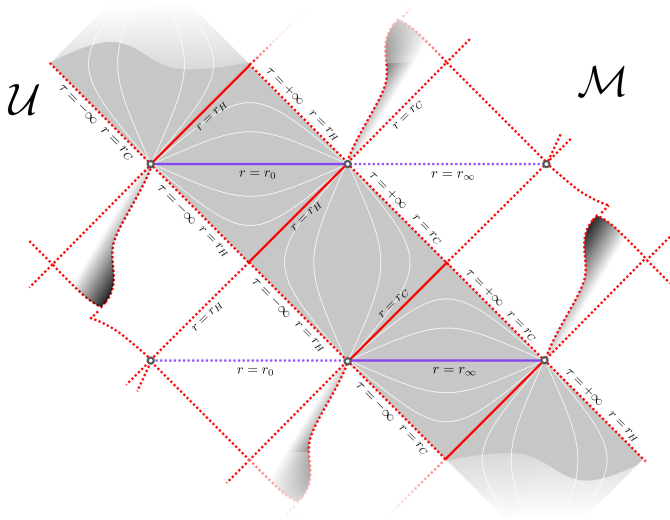
There are also the *degenerate* cases  $D_1$  and  $D_3$ .

# Nonvacuum cases ( $Q \neq 0$ or $\Lambda \neq 0$ )

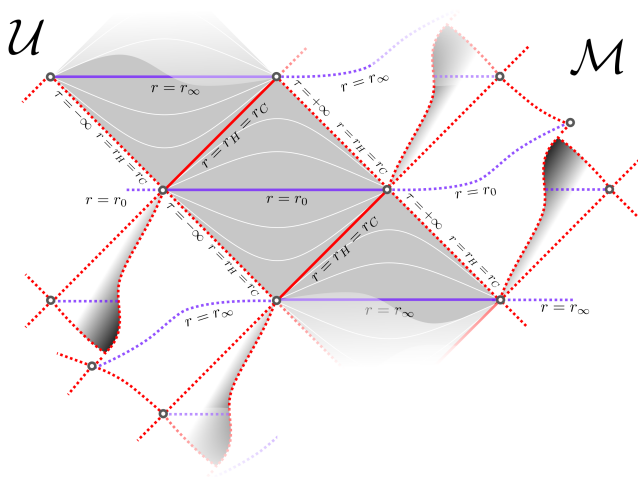
General properties of the conformal diagrams:

- Critical points  $r_0$  and  $r_\infty$  always appear in homogeneous regions.
- Cases with  $Q = 0$  and  $Q \neq 0$  have the same conformal diagram. In particular no Cauchy horizon.
- $r_0$  replaces the classical singularity at  $r = 0$  and, if exist,  $r_\infty$  replaces the  $r \rightarrow \infty$  surface.
- $r = r_0$  is a spacelike (reachable) surfaces in “regular” cases  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ , and  $C_3$ ; while it defines  $\mathcal{J}^\pm$  in the degenerate cases  $D_1$  and  $D_3$ .
- Cases  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ , and  $D_1$  are subdivided in
  - Black-hole solution (if they present 2 horizons).
  - Extremal solution (if they present 1 degenerate horizon).
  - Cosmological solution (if they present no horizons).

# Conformal diagram for the black holes $C_1$ and $C_2$ ( $\Lambda > 0$ )



# Conformal diagram for extremal $C_1$ and $C_2$ ( $\Lambda > 0$ )



# Conformal diagram for the cosmology $C_1$ and $C_2$ ( $\Lambda > 0$ )

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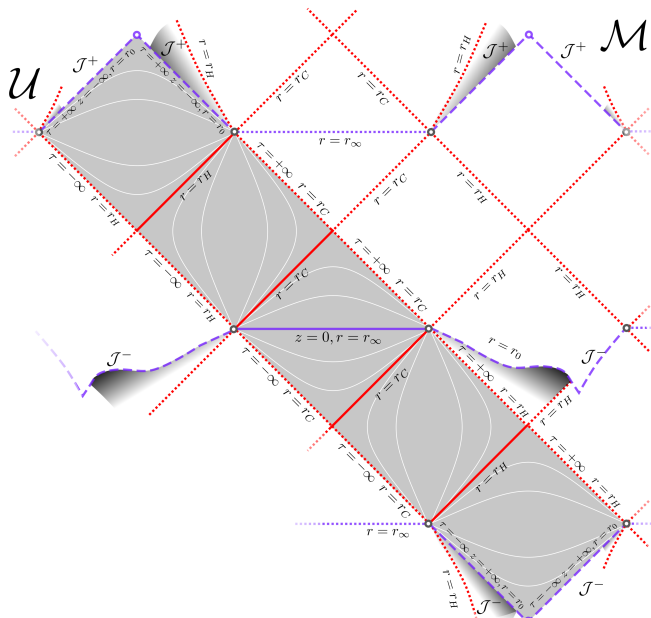
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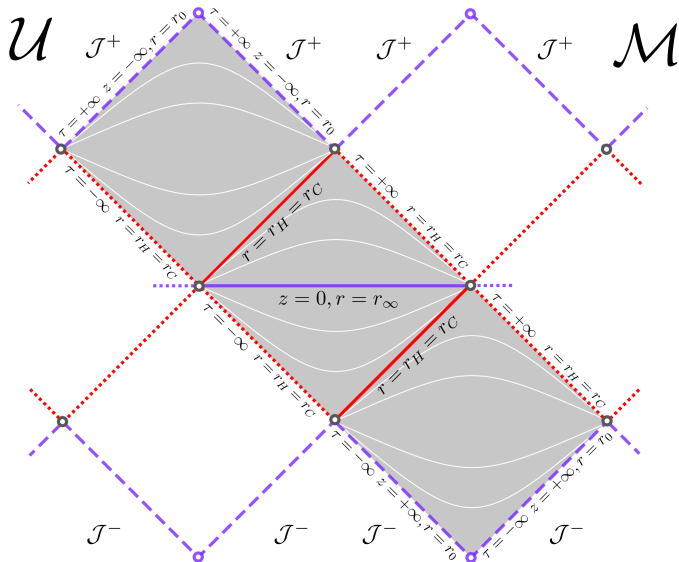
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# Conformal diagram for the black hole $D_1$ ( $\Lambda > 0$ )

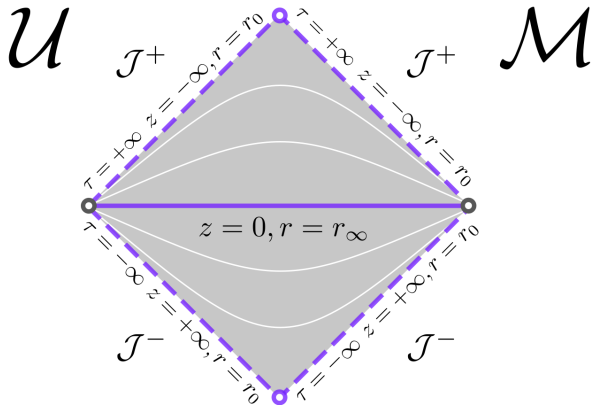




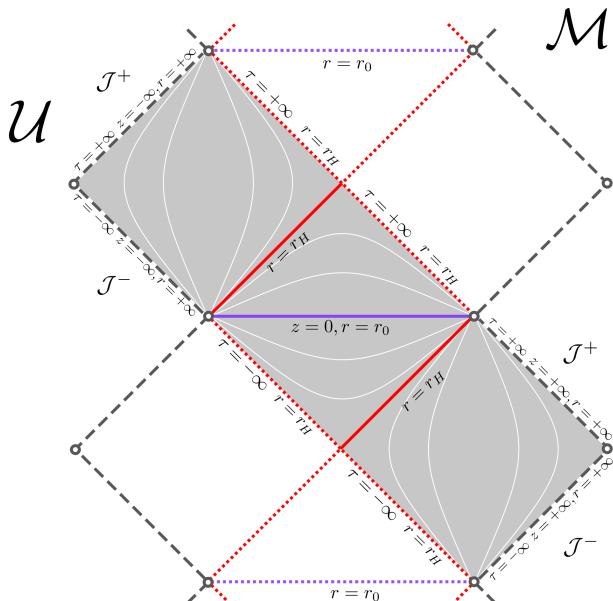
# Conformal diagram for the extremal $D_1$ ( $\Lambda > 0$ )



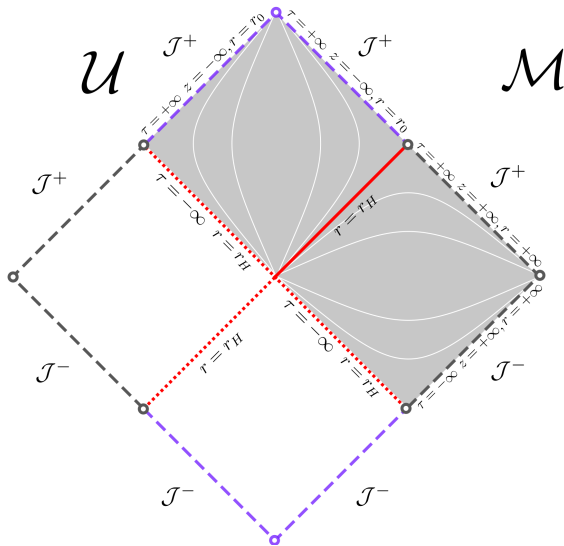
# Conformal diagram for the cosmology $D_1$ ( $\Lambda > 0$ )



# Conformal diagram for the cosmology $C_3$ ( $\Lambda = 0$ )



# Conformal diagram for the cosmology $D_3$ ( $\Lambda = 0$ )



- The most general Hamiltonian constraint under the restrictions
  - Same derivative structure as GR.
  - Anomaly-free algebra.
  - Spacetime embedability.
  - Contains GR as a continuous limit.
- Analyzed in detail a (“minimally deformed”) particular case.
  - Singularity resolution is not generic.
  - Singularity-free spacetimes
    - $M \geq 0$ ,  $\Lambda \geq 0$ , and bounded  $Q$ .
    - $r = r_0$  replaces the classical singularity at  $r = 0$ .
    - If  $\Lambda \neq 0$ ,  $r = r_\infty$  replaces the  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .