

# Hyperbolic Mass and Gluings of Initial Data

Progress on gravitational physics: 45 years of Belgian-Chilean  
collaboration

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- ▶ Anti-de Sitter spacetimes are ubiquitous in nowadays theoretical physics
- ▶ Surge of attention due to AdS/CFT correspondence
- ▶ Conjecture: Quantum gravity on asymptotically AdS spacetimes in  $d$  dimensions is dual to a conformal field theory in  $d - 1$  dimensions

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- ▶ proof of existence of certain vacuum initial data sets for GR with  $\Lambda < 0$  and negative mass
- ▶ previously unknown

# Outline

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2. Solutions of Interest
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- ▶ Metric approaches a hyperbolic metric at large distances
- ▶ No interior boundary, only conformal boundary at infinity
- ▶ Time-symmetric ( $K_{ij} = 0$ ) vacuum initial data with negative cosmological constant



# 1. Theorem and Motivation

- ▶ Hyperbolic space appears as constant time slice of Anti-de Sitter

$$g_{3+1} = -(r^2 + 1)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2 + 1} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

- ▶ Statement about initial data sets for asymptotically locally AdS spacetimes
- ▶ Theorem provides better understanding of positivity of mass for asymptotically locally hyperbolic spaces
  - ▶ If asymptotically locally AdS spacetime contains spacelike hypersurface that satisfies requirements needed for theorem, theorems carry over to statements about AdS spacetime
- ▶ Potential use of bounds in AdS/CFT

## 2. Solutions of Interest

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- ▶  $R(h_1) = 2$ : Riemann sphere with  $h_1 = d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$
- ▶  $R(h_0) = 0$ : flat torus with  $h_0 = d\theta^2 + d\phi^2$
- ▶  $R(h_{-1}) = -2$ : higher-genus surface  $h_{-1} = d\theta^2 + \sinh^2 \theta d\phi^2$

Remark: BK metrics also referred to as Schwarzschild-AdS

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- ▶  $m_c \neq 0$  are nakedly singular unless  $V(r_0) = 0$  for some  $r_0 > 0$ , if  $V(r)$  has positive zero  $\rightarrow$  black hole solutions
- ▶  $m_c = 0, k = 1$  global AdS spacetime,  $t = \text{const.}$  global hyperbolic space
- ▶  $m_c = 0$ : locally AdS spacetime,  $t = \text{const.}$  locally hyperbolic space

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- ▶ In space-dimension 3 asymptotically BK equivalent to asymptotically locally hyperbolic
- ▶ Mass  $E \propto m_c$ , measured relativ to  $\bar{g} = g(m_c = 0)$

## 2. Birmingham-Kottler to Horowitz-Myers

Static Solutions of the Vacuum Einstein Equations with  $\Lambda < 0$

- ▶ Consider a toroidal Birmingham-Kottler metric

$$g_{3+1} = -V_{k=0}^2(r) dt^2 + \frac{1}{V_{k=0}^2(r)} dr^2 + r^2(d\theta^2 + d\psi^2),$$

$$V_{k=0}^2(r) = r^2 - \frac{2m_c}{r}$$

- ▶ Wick rotate  $t \rightarrow i\theta$ ,  $\theta \rightarrow it$

$$g_{3+1} = +V_{HM}^2(r) d\theta^2 + \frac{1}{V_{HM}^2(r)} dr^2 + r^2(-dt^2 + d\psi^2),$$

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⇒ Novel solution to vacuum Einstein equations as noticed by Horowitz and Myers

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- ▶ For  $m_c > 0$ , function  $V_{HM}(r)$  vanishes at  $r = r_0 = (2m_c)^{1/3}$
- ▶ Choose period of  $\theta$  such that no conical singularity at  $r = r_0$

$$\theta = \frac{2}{3(m_c)^{1/3}}\phi$$

where  $\phi$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic

- ▶ Period of  $\theta$  depends on  $m_c \rightarrow$  conformal infinity changes if  $m_c$  changes

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- ▶ Conjecture due to AdS/CFT considerations

# Initial Data

- ▶ For the rest of the talk we work on the level of initial data  $(M, g_{ij}, K_{ij})$  for GR satisfying vacuum constraint equations

$$R(g) = 2\Lambda + K_{ij}K^{ij} - (K^i_i)^2$$

$$D_j K^j_i - D_i K^j_j = 0$$

- ▶ In the following, consider time-symmetric case  $K_{ij} = 0$ , then

$$R(g) = 2\Lambda = -n(n-1)$$

- ▶ For  $n = 3$

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#### Definition

- ▶ Often done using space-time methods
- ▶ Also possible using initial data: if  $g$  approaches Birmingham-Kottler metric with  $m_c = 0$ <sup>1</sup>

$$E = -\frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{\tilde{R} \rightarrow \infty} \int_{r=\tilde{R}} D^j(V) \left( R^i_j - \frac{R}{3} \delta^i_j \right) dS_i$$

- ▶  $R^i_j$  Ricci tensor of  $g$
- ▶  $g$  is the spatial part of the metric
- ▶ Background enters through function  $V$

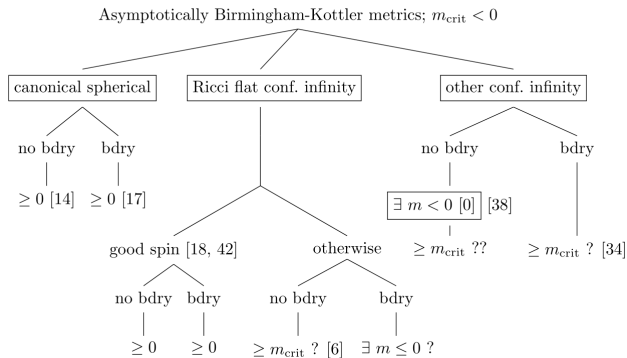
$$V = \sqrt{r^2 + k}, \quad k \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$$

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<sup>1</sup> $dS_i = \sqrt{\det g} \partial_i] dr \wedge d\theta \wedge d\psi$

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## Positivity of Mass for Negative Cosmological Constant



- ▶ Negative mass solutions in toroidal case: Horowitz-Myers metric



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Idea:

- ▶ Glue together two HM initial data sets at infinity
- ▶ Each initial data set has negative mass
- ▶ Expectation: gluing results in initial data set with negative mass

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Theorem (Isenberg, Lee & Stavrov 2010,  
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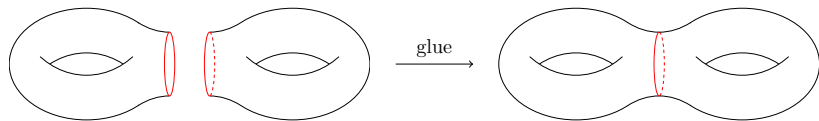
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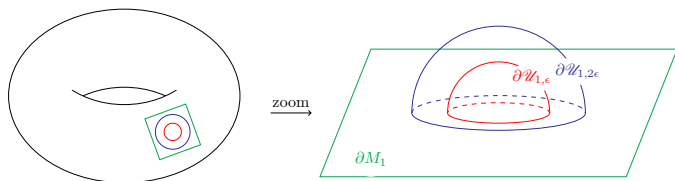
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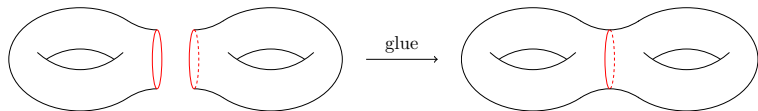


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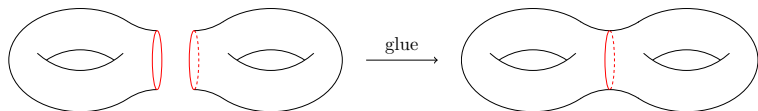


- ▶ Metric is exactly hyperbolic inside red half-ball
- ▶ Outside blue half-ball metric is exactly what it was before (e.g. Horowitz-Myers in our case)
- ▶ Hyperbolic metric can be smoothly extended



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How does the Mass change?



- ▶ Initial mass defined with respect to locally hyperbolic space with toroidal conformal infinity, final mass defined with respect to locally hyperbolic space with genus-2 conformal infinity

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- ▶ Initial background: locally hyperbolic space with toroidal conformal infinity

$$b = \frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2 \underbrace{(d\theta^2 + d\varphi^2)}_{h_0}$$

- ▶ Final genus-2 background: locally hyperbolic space with genus-2 conformal infinity

$$\bar{b} = \frac{d\bar{r}^2}{\bar{r}^2 - 1} + \bar{r}^2 \underbrace{(d\bar{\theta}^2 + \sinh^2(\bar{\theta})d\bar{\varphi}^2)}_{h_{-1}}$$

- ▶ On each half  $h_{-1} = e^\omega h_0$
- ▶ Initial mass is defined with respect to  $b$ , final mass is defined with respect to  $\bar{b}$
- ▶ One can show that  $\bar{r} = e^{-\frac{\omega}{2}} r + \textit{subleading}$



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How does the mass change?

- ▶ A few slides before we had

$$E_{generic} = -\frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{\tilde{R} \rightarrow \infty} \int_{r=\tilde{R}} D^j(V) \left( R^i_j - \frac{R}{3} \delta^i_j \right) dS_i$$

with

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- ▶ Mass of the initial torus

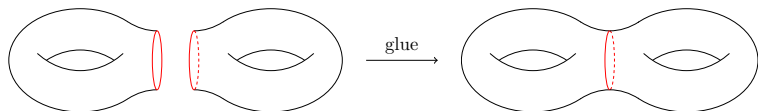
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- ▶ Mass of each half of the glued manifold

$$\begin{aligned} E &= -\frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{\tilde{R} \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\tilde{r}=\tilde{R}} D^j(\sqrt{\tilde{r}^2 - 1}) \left( R^i_j - \frac{R}{3} \delta^i_j \right) dS_i \\ &= -\frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{\tilde{R} \rightarrow \infty} \int_{r=\tilde{R}} D^j(e^{-\omega/2} r) \left( R^i_j - \frac{R}{3} \delta^i_j \right) dS_i \end{aligned}$$

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Gluing tori and controlling the mass



- ▶ Mass on each half of the manifold depends upon the gluing region
- ▶ Sign of the final mass a priori unclear as both the metric and the conformal factor  $\omega$  depend on the gluing region  $\epsilon$

$$E = -\frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{\tilde{R} \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\{r=\tilde{R}\} \times T^2 \setminus D(p, \epsilon)} D^j(e^{-\omega/2} r) \left( R^i_j - \frac{R}{3} \delta^i_j \right) dS_j$$

- ▶  $\epsilon$  small needed

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Taking the limit  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

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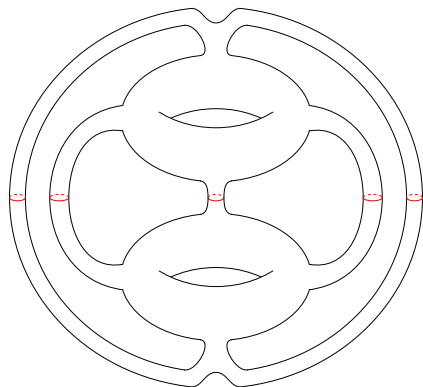
*Upon gluing two Horowitz-Myers metrics with coordinate mass  $m_c$ ,  $e^\omega \rightarrow e^{\omega_0}$  of a punctured torus as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  with*

$$E = -\frac{1}{8\pi} m_c \int_{T^2} e^{-\omega_0/2} d\mu_{h_0}$$

- ▶ It follows that if  $\epsilon$  is chosen small enough, gluing of two Horowitz-Myers metrics gives genus-2 metrics with negative mass

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- ▶ One obtains higher-genus metrics with negative mass by iterating the construction



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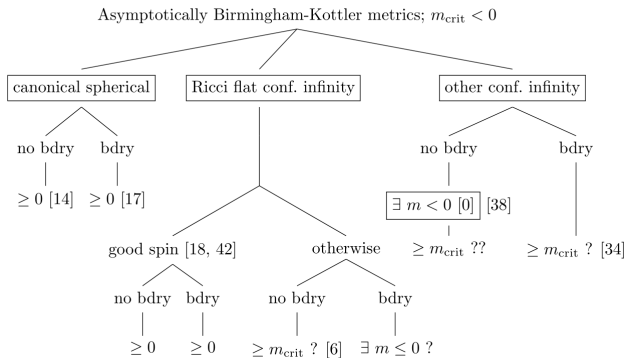
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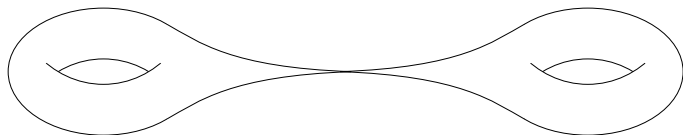
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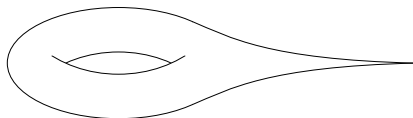


## What happens to geometry in limit $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$

- ▶ Necks become thinner and longer as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$



- ▶ As  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$  tori separate: two punctured tori



# Topological instability?

- ▶ Use construction to **lower** the total mass of a asymptotically locally hyperbolic manifold by a localized deformation near the conformal boundary at infinity
- ▶ This is at the cost of **changing the topology** at conformal infinity
- ▶ Possible instability? → needs further investigation



*Thank You!*