## Modelling black holes as trapping horizons

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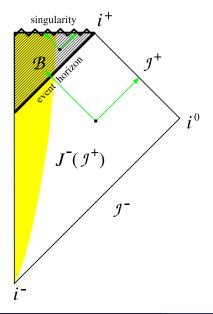
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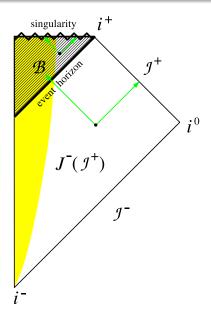


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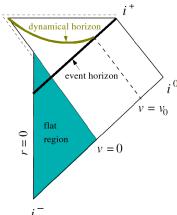
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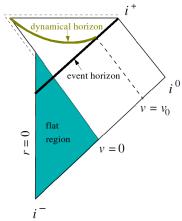
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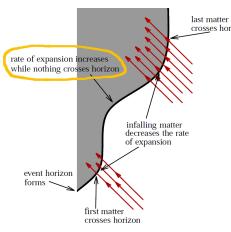
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⇒ no local physical experiment whatsoever can locate the event horizon

[Ashtekar & Krishnan, LRR 7, 10 (2004)]

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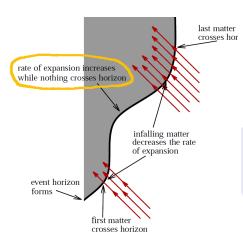
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To deal with black holes as ordinary physical objects, a **local** definition would be desirable

 $\rightarrow$  quantum gravity, numerical relativity

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#### Local characterizations of black holes

Recently a **new paradigm** appeared in the theoretical approach of black holes: instead of *event horizons*, black holes are described by

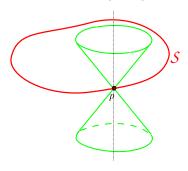
- trapping horizons (Hayward 1994)
- isolated horizons (Ashtekar et al. 1999)
- dynamical horizons (Ashtekar and Krishnan 2002)
- slowly evolving horizons (Booth and Fairhurst 2004)

All these concepts are local and are based on the notion of trapped surfaces

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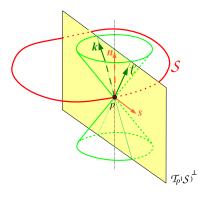


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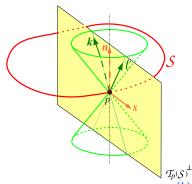
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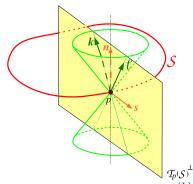
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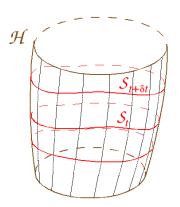
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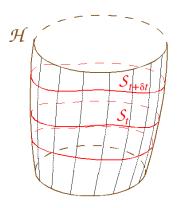
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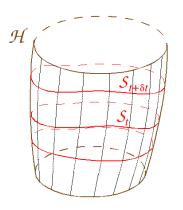
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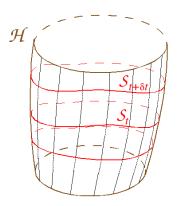


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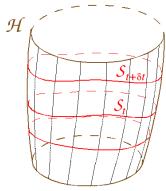


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BH in equilibrium = IH
(e.g. Kerr)
BH out of equilibrium = DH
generic BH = FOTH

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## Dynamics of these new horizons

The *trapping horizons* and *dynamical horizons* have their **own dynamics**, ruled by Einstein equations.

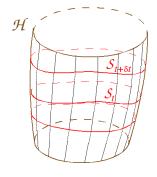
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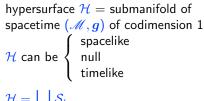
- existence and (partial) uniqueness theorems
   [Andersson, Mars & Simon, PRL 95, 111102 (2005)],
   [Ashtekar & Galloway, Adv. Theor. Math. Phys. 9, 1 (2005)]
- first and second laws of black hole mechanics
  [Ashtekar & Krishnan, PRD 68, 104030 (2003)], [Hayward, PRD 70, 104027 (2004)]
- a viscous fluid bubble analogy ("membrane paradigm", as for the event horizon)

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[EG, PRD 72, 104007 (2005)], [EG & Jaramillo, PRD 74, 087502 (2006)]
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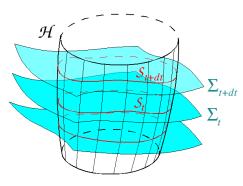




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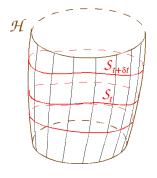
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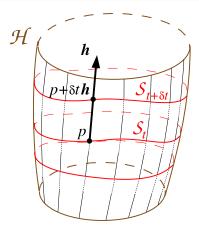
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intrinsic viewpoint adopted here (i.e. not relying on extra-structure such as a 3+1 foliation)

q: induced metric on  $\mathcal{S}_t$  (positive definite)

 ${\mathcal D}$  : connection associated with q

#### Evolution vector on the horizon

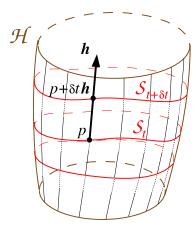


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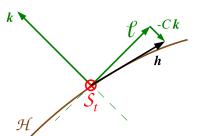
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$$C := \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{h} \cdot \mathbf{h}$$

## Normal null frame associated with the evolution vector



The foliation  $(S_t)_{t\in\mathbb{R}}$  entirely fixes the ambiguities in the choice of the null normal frame  $(\ell, k)$ , via the evolution vector h: there exists a unique normal null frame  $(\ell, k)$ such that

$$h = \ell - Ck$$
 and  $\ell \cdot k = -1$ 

Normal fundamental form: 
$$\mathbf{\Omega}^{(\ell)} := -\mathbf{k} \cdot \nabla_{\vec{q}} \ell$$
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Shall we restrict the analysis to the event horizon?

Can we extend the concept of viscosity to the local characterizations of black hole recently introduced, i.e. future outer trapping horizons and dynamical horizons?

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"A black hole is not a water fall" (Clifford Will)



### Negative bulk viscosity of event horizons

From the Damour-Navier-Stokes equation,  $\zeta = -\frac{1}{16\pi} < 0$ 

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This negative value would yield to a dilation or contraction instability in an ordinary fluid

It is in agreement with the tendency of a null hypersurface to continually contract or expand

The event horizon is stabilized by the teleological condition imposing its expansion to vanish in the far future (equilibrium state reached)

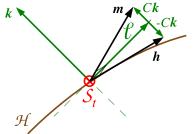
#### Generalization to the non-null case

#### Starting remark: in the null case (event horizon), $\ell$ plays two different roles:

- ullet evolution vector along  ${\mathcal H}$  (e.g. term  ${}^{\mathcal S}\!{\mathcal L}_\ell$  )
- ullet normal to  ${\mathcal H}$  (e.g. term  $ec{q}^*T\cdot \ell)$

When  ${\cal H}$  is no longer null, these two roles have to be taken by two different vectors:

- evolution vector: obviously h
- vector normal to  $\mathcal{H}$ : a natural choice is  $m := \ell + Ck$



### Generalized Damour-Navier-Stokes equation

From the contracted Ricci identity applied to the vector m and projected onto  $S_t$ :  $(\nabla_{\mu}\nabla_{\nu}m^{\mu} - \nabla_{\nu}\nabla_{\mu}m^{\mu})q^{\nu}{}_{\alpha} = R_{\mu\nu}m^{\mu}q^{\nu}{}_{\alpha}$  and using Einstein equation to express  $R_{\mu\nu}$ , one gets an evolution equation for  $\Omega^{(\ell)}$  along  $\mathcal{H}$ :

$${}^{\mathcal{S}}\mathcal{L}_{h}\,\boldsymbol{\Omega^{(\ell)}} + \boldsymbol{\theta^{(h)}}\,\boldsymbol{\Omega^{(\ell)}} = \boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}\cdot\boldsymbol{\sigma^{(m)}} + \frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}\boldsymbol{\theta^{(m)}} - \boldsymbol{\theta^{(k)}}\boldsymbol{\mathcal{D}}\boldsymbol{C} + 8\pi\vec{\boldsymbol{q}}^*\boldsymbol{T}\cdot\boldsymbol{m}$$

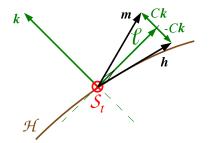
- ullet  $\Omega^{(\ell)}$  : normal fundamental form of  $\mathcal{S}_t$  associated with null normal  $\ell$
- $\theta^{(h)}$ ,  $\theta^{(m)}$  and  $\theta^{(k)}$ : expansion scalars of  $S_t$  along the vectors h, m and k respectively
- $\mathcal{D}$ : covariant derivative within  $(\mathcal{S}_t, q)$
- ullet  $\kappa$  : component of  $abla_h h$  along  $\ell$
- $oldsymbol{\sigma}^{(m)}$  : shear tensor of  $\mathcal{S}_t$  along the vector m
- ullet C : half the scalar square of h



## Null limit (event horizon)

If  ${\cal H}$  is a null hypersurface,

$$h = m = \ell$$
 and  $C = 0$ 



and we recover the original Damour-Navier-Stokes equation:

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The explanation: it is  $heta^{(m)}$  which appears in the general equation and

$$\theta^{(m)} + \theta^{(h)} = 2\theta^{(\ell)} \Longrightarrow \begin{cases} \text{ event horizon } (m = h) & : \quad \theta^{(m)} = \theta^{(\ell)} \\ \text{ trapping horizon } (\theta^{(\ell)} = 0) & : \quad \theta^{(m)} = -\theta^{(h)} \end{cases}$$

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This positive value of bulk viscosity shows that FOTHs and DHs behave as "ordinary" physical objects, in perfect agreement with their local nature

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### Angular momentum of trapping horizons

Definition [Booth & Fairhurst, CQG 22, 4545 (2005)]: Let  $\varphi$  be a vector field on  $\mathcal H$  which

- ullet is tangent to  $\mathcal{S}_t$
- has closed orbits
- has vanishing divergence with respect to the induced metric:  $\mathcal{D} \cdot \varphi = 0$  (weaker than being a Killing vector of  $(\mathcal{S}_t, q)$ !)

For dynamical horizons,  $\theta^{(h)} \neq 0$  and there is a unique choice of  $\varphi$  as the generator (conveniently normalized) of the curves of constant  $\theta^{(h)}$ 

[Hayward, PRD 74, 104013 (2006)]

The generalized angular momentum associated with arphi is then defined by

$$J(\boldsymbol{\varphi}) := -\frac{1}{8\pi} \oint_{\mathcal{S}_t} \langle \boldsymbol{\Omega}^{(\boldsymbol{\ell})}, \boldsymbol{\varphi} \rangle^{\,s} \boldsymbol{\epsilon},$$

Remark 1: does not depend upon the choice of null vector  $\ell$ , thanks to the divergence-free property of  $\varphi$ 

#### Remark 2:

- coincides with Ashtekar & Krishnan's definition for a dynamical horizon
- ullet coincides with Brown-York angular momentum if  ${\mathcal H}$  is timelike and  ${oldsymbol{arphi}}$  a Killing vector

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Causal evolution, in agreement with local nature of dynamical horizons

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## Applications to numerical relativity

Initial data: isolated horizons (helical symmetry)

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### A few words about the history of 3+1 formalism

- G. Darmois (1927): 3+1 Einstein equations in terms of  $(\gamma_{ij}, K_{ij})$  with  $\alpha=1$  and  $\beta^i=0$  (Gaussian normal coordinates) Cauchy problem well posed for analytic initial data
- A. Lichnerowicz (1939) :  $\alpha \neq 1$  and  $\beta^i = 0$  (normal coordinates)
- Y. Choquet-Bruhat (1948) :  $\alpha \neq 1$  and  $\beta^i \neq 0$  (general coordinates)
- Y. Choquet-Bruhat (1952): Cauchy problem well posed for *smooth* (i.e. generic) initial data
- R. Arnowitt, S. Deser & C.W. Misner (1962): Hamiltonian formulation of GR based on a 3+1 decomposition in terms of  $(\gamma_{ij}, \pi^{ij})$  NB: spatial projection of Einstein tensor instead of Ricci tensor in previous works
- J. Wheeler (1964): coined the terms lapse and shift
- J.W. York (1979): modern 3+1 decomposition based on spatial projection of *Ricci tensor*