

Black holes: from event horizons to trapping horizons

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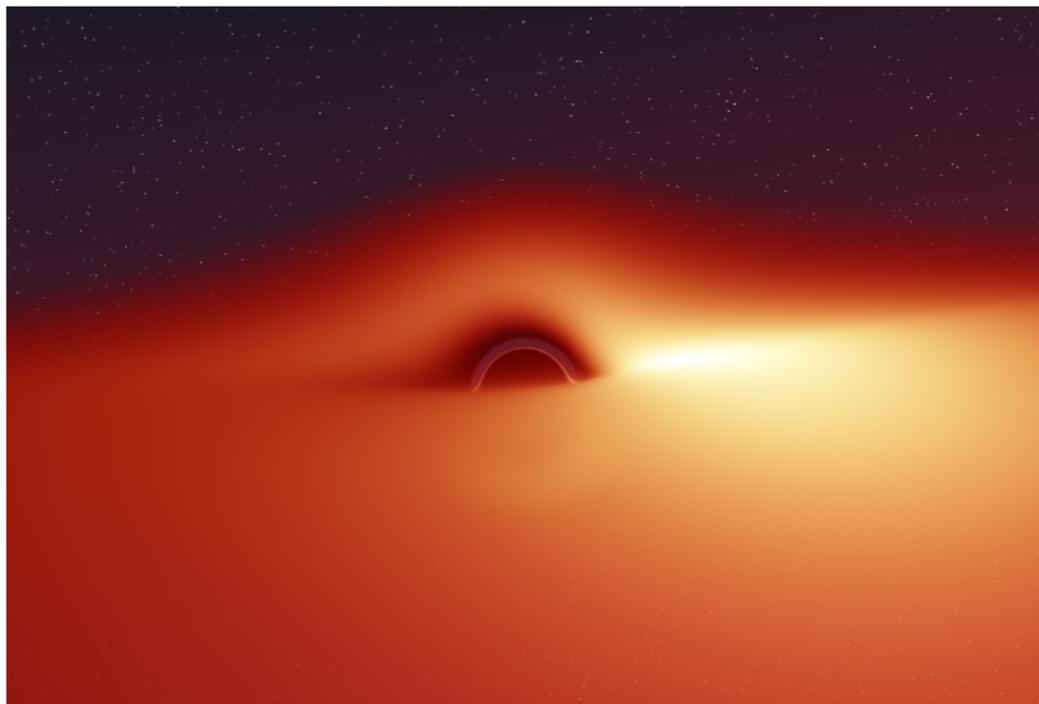
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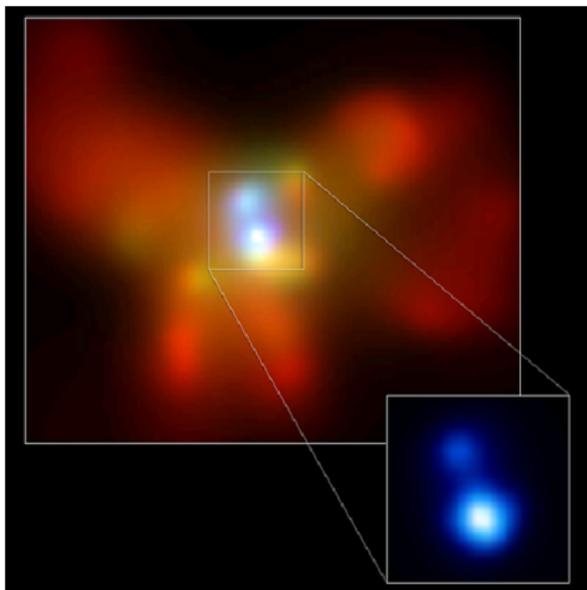
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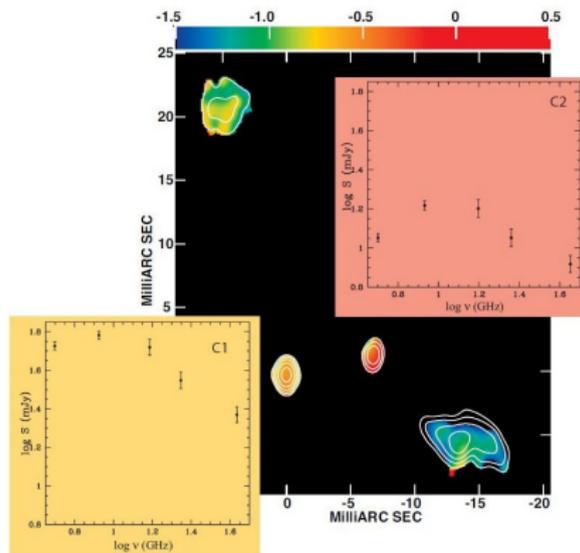
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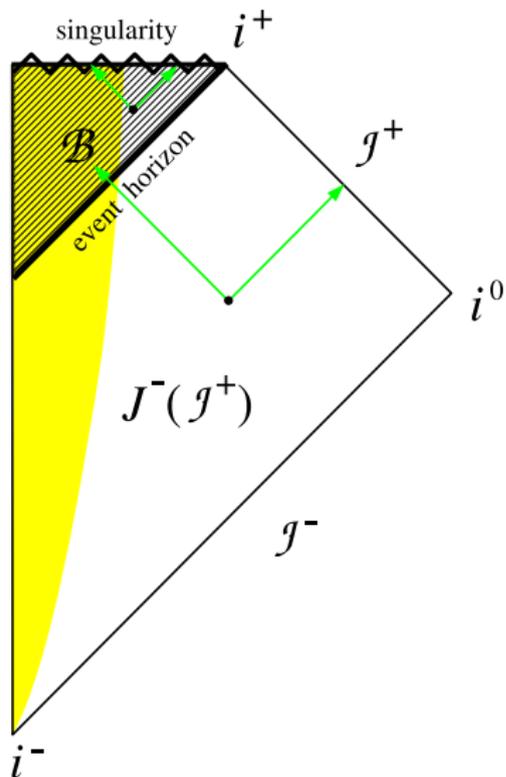


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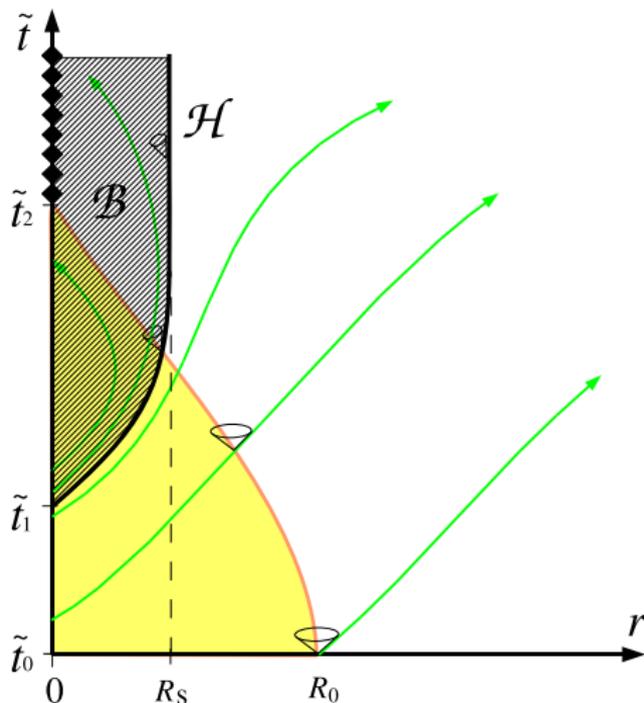
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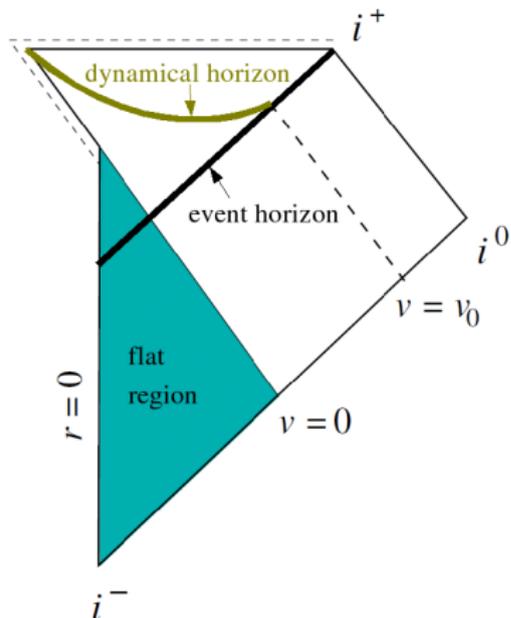
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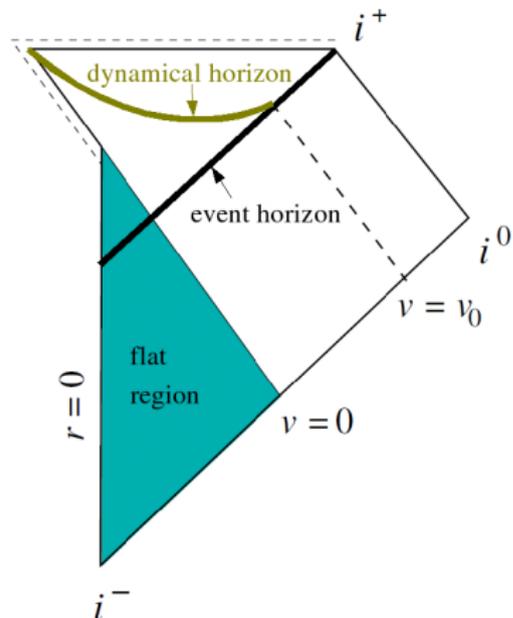
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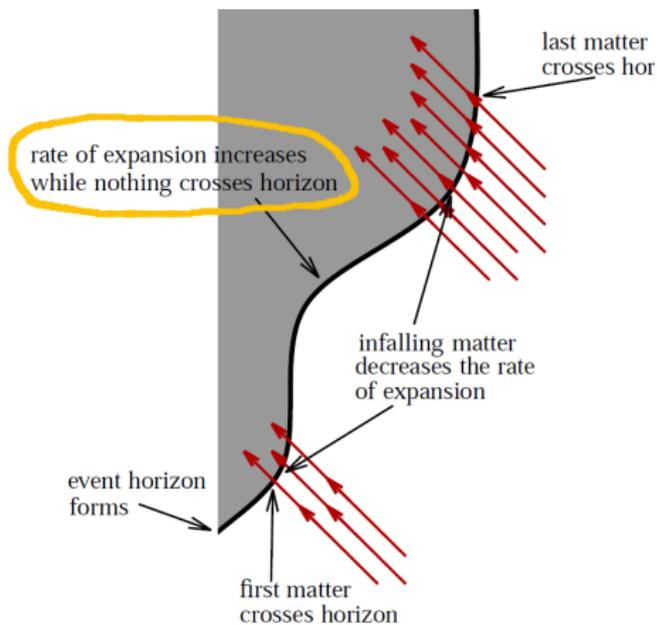
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\Rightarrow no local physical experiment whatsoever can locate the event horizon

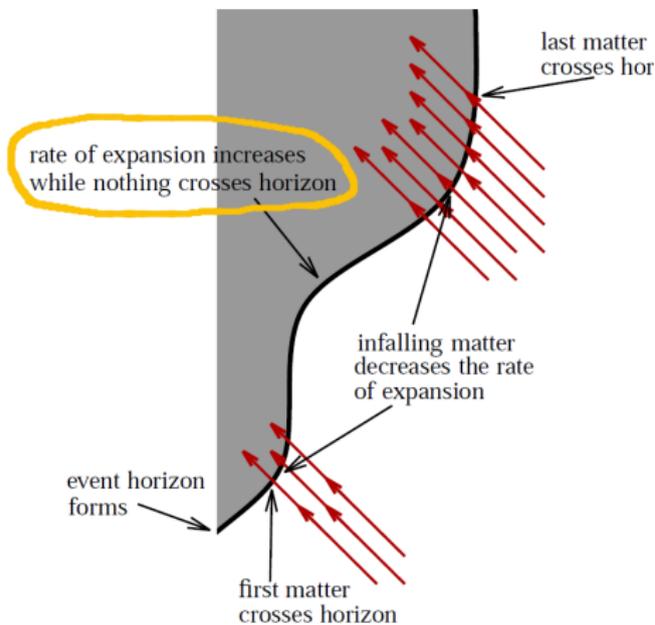
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To deal with black holes as ordinary physical objects, a **local** definition would be desirable

→ quantum gravity, numerical relativity

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Local characterizations of black holes

Recently a **new paradigm** has 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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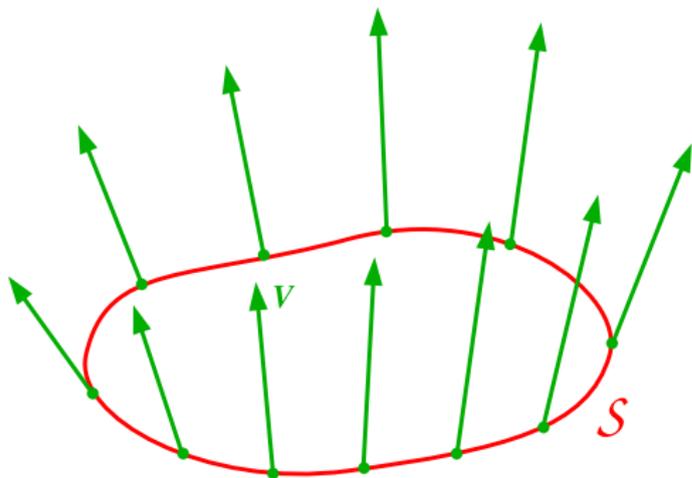
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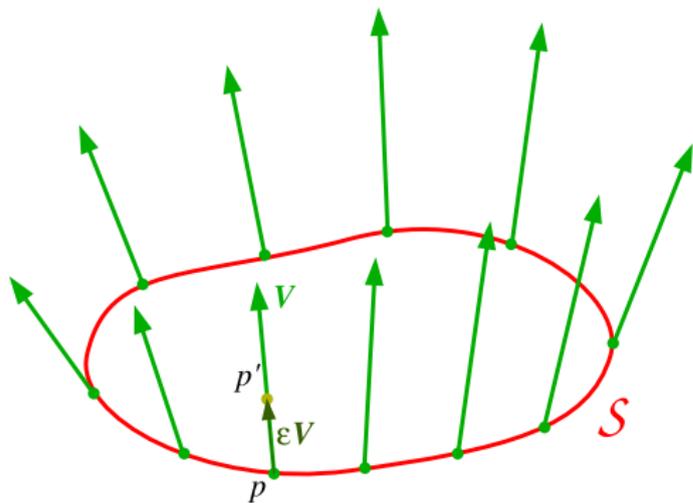
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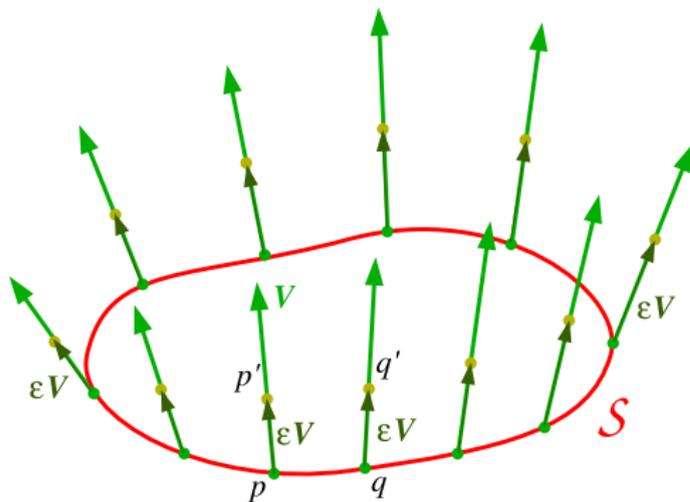
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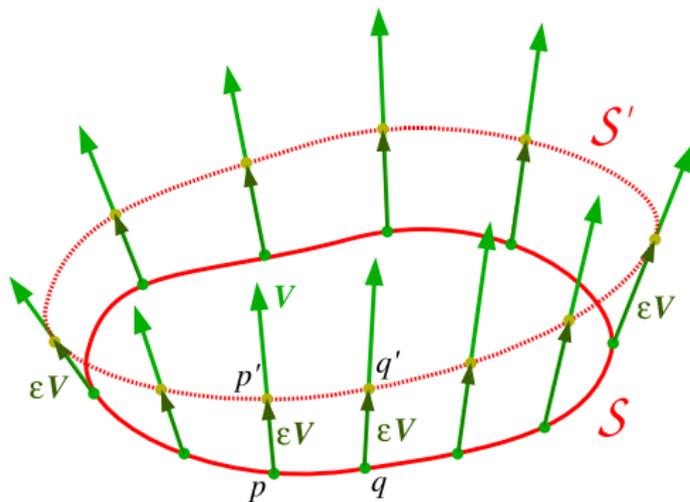
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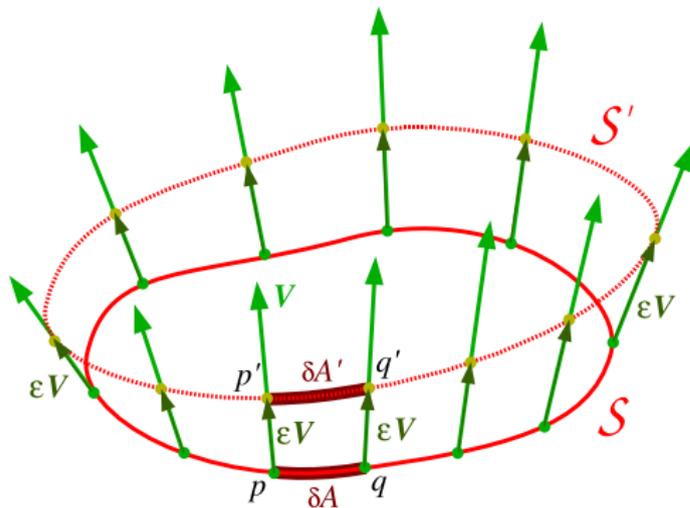
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At each point, the **expansion of S along v** is defined from the relative change in

the area element δA :

$$\theta^{(v)} := \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \frac{\delta A' - \delta A}{\delta A} = \mathcal{L}_v \ln \sqrt{q} = q^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu v_\nu$$

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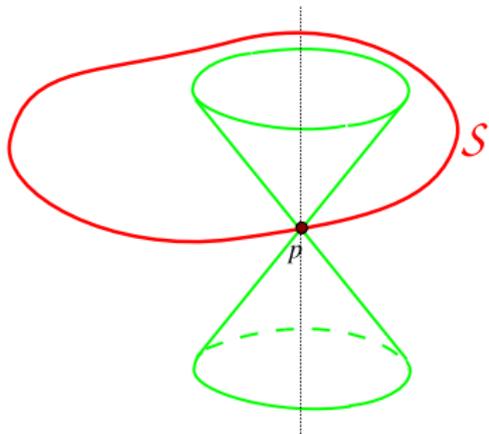
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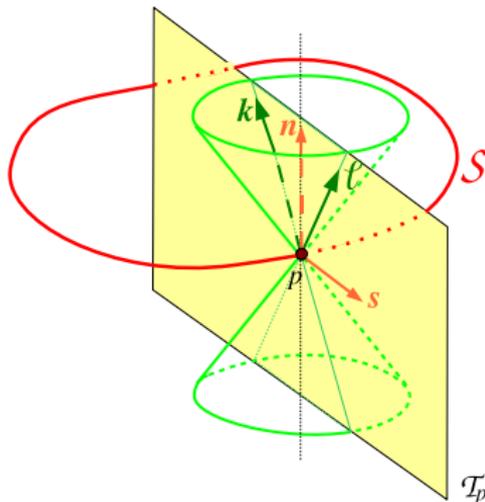


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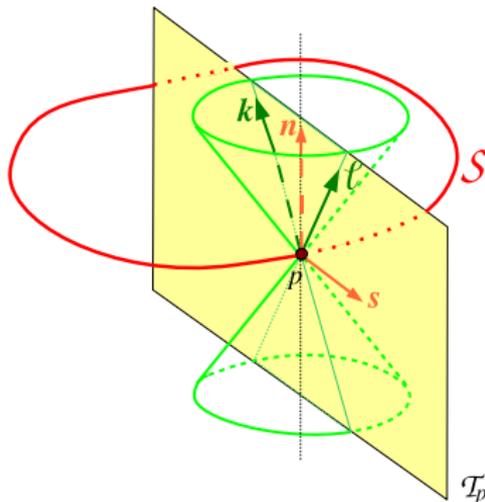
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trapped surface = **local** concept characterizing very strong gravitational fields

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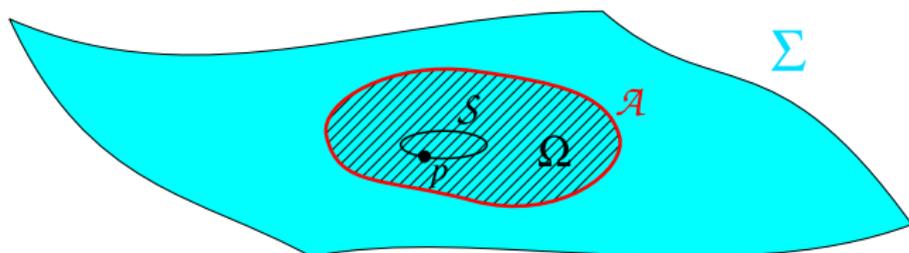
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Σ : spacelike hypersurface extending to spatial infinity (Cauchy surface)

outer trapped region of Σ : $\Omega =$ set of points $p \in \Sigma$ through which there is a outer trapped surface \mathcal{S} lying in Σ

apparent horizon in Σ : $\mathcal{A} =$ connected component of the boundary of Ω

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Connection with singularities and black holes

Proposition [Penrose (1965)]:

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\exists a trapped surface $\mathcal{S} \implies \exists$ a singularity in (\mathcal{M}, g) (in the form of a future inextendible null geodesic)

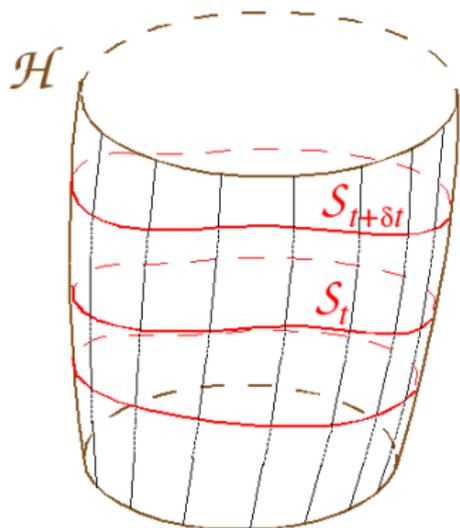
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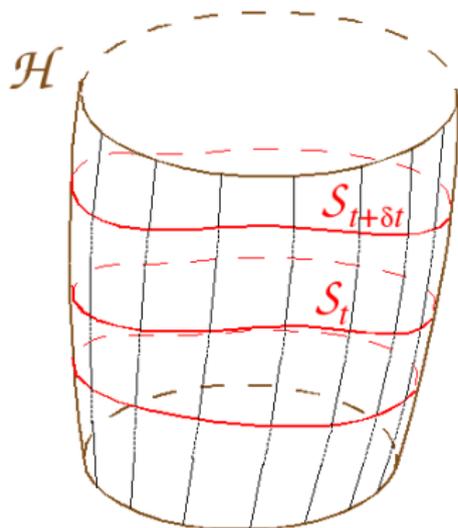


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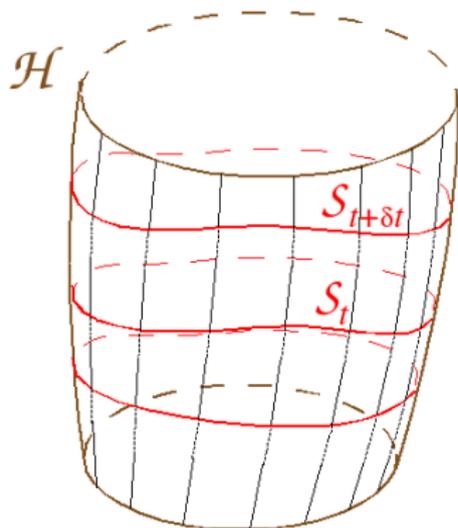
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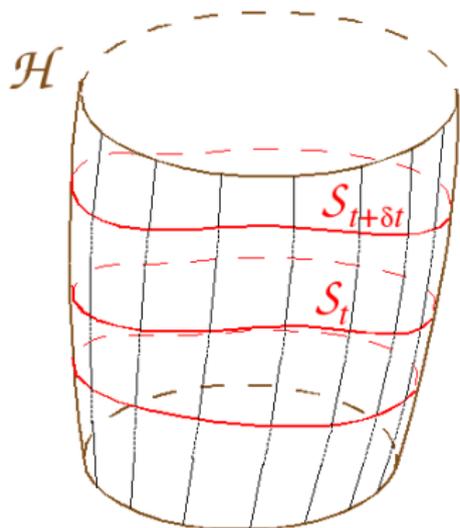
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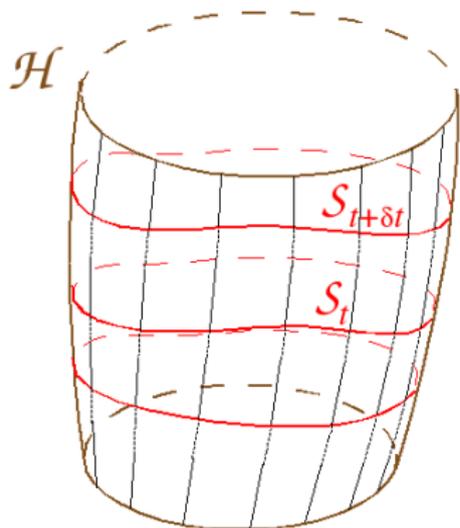
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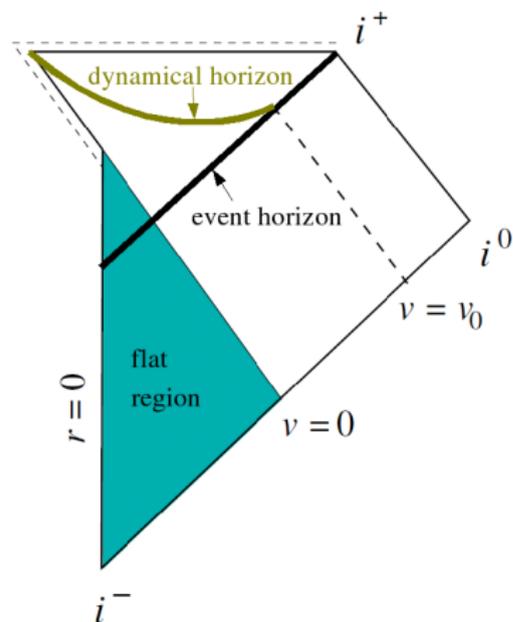


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(e.g. Kerr)

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Example: Vaidya spacetime



- The **event horizon** crosses the flat region
- The **dynamical horizon** lies entirely outside the flat region

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

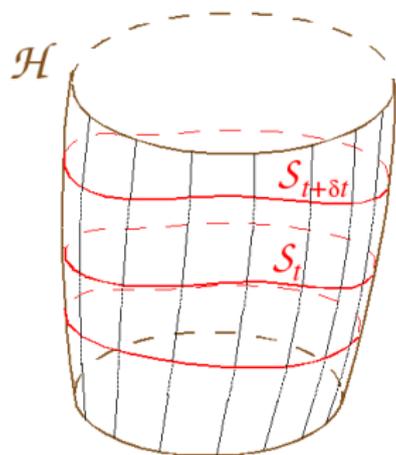
Dynamics of these new horizons

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

In particular, one can establish for them

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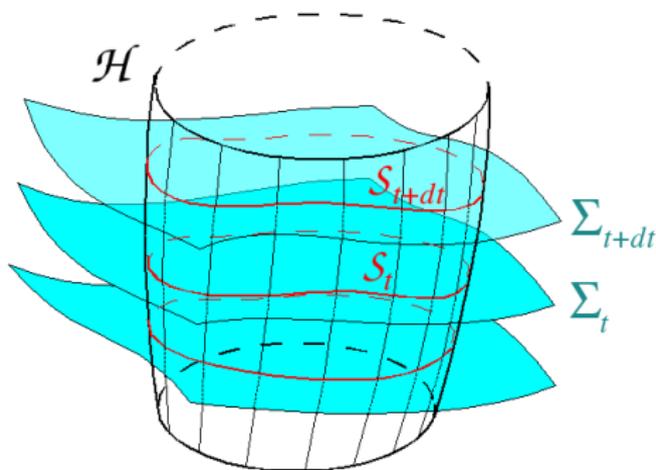
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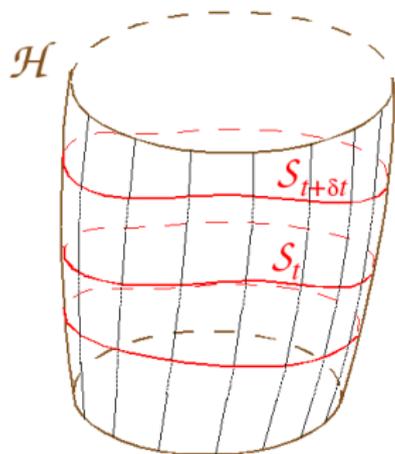
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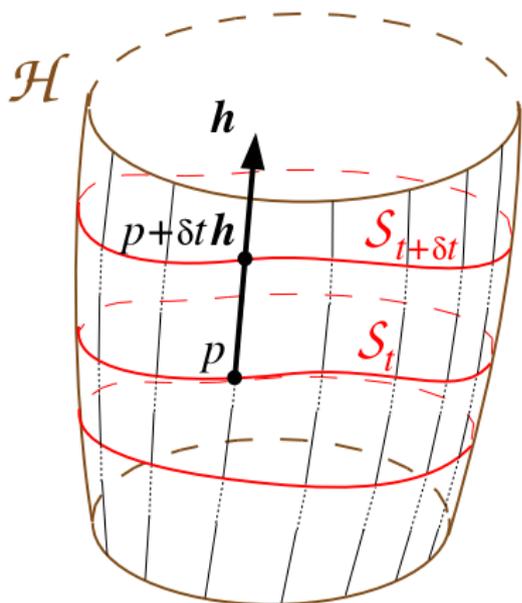
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intrinsic viewpoint adopted here (i.e. not relying on extra-structure such as a 3+1 foliation)

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\mathcal{D} : connection associated with q

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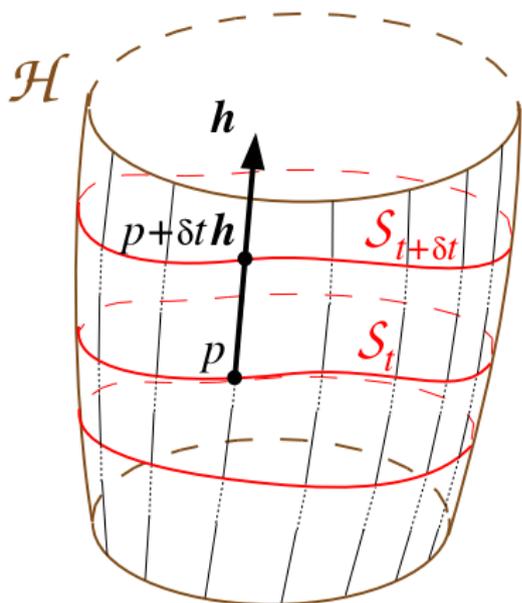


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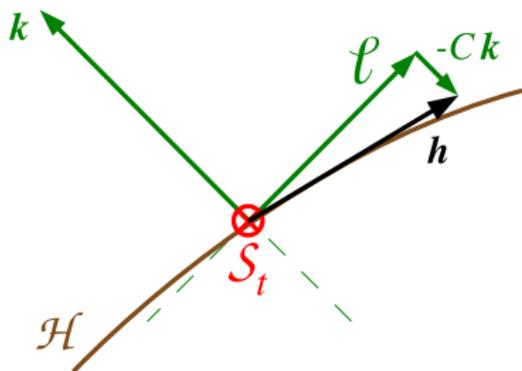
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Define $C := \frac{1}{2} h \cdot h$

\mathcal{H} is spacelike	\iff	$C > 0$	\iff	h is spacelike
\mathcal{H} is null	\iff	$C = 0$	\iff	h is null
\mathcal{H} is timelike	\iff	$C < 0$	\iff	h is timelike.

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 (ℓ, k) , via the evolution vector h : there exists a **unique normal null frame** (ℓ, k) such that

$$h = \ell - Ck \quad \text{and} \quad \ell \cdot k = -1$$

Normal fundamental form: $\Omega^{(\ell)} := -k \cdot \nabla_{\bar{q}} \ell$ or $\Omega_{\alpha}^{(\ell)} := -k_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} \ell^{\mu} q^{\nu}_{\alpha}$

Evolution of h along itself: $\nabla_h h = \kappa \ell + (C\kappa - \mathcal{L}_h C)k - \mathcal{D}C$

NB: null limit : $C = 0, h = \ell \implies \nabla_{\ell} \ell = \kappa \ell \implies \kappa = \text{surface gravity}$

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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** ?

NB: *event horizon* = null hypersurface
future outer trapping horizon = null or spacelike hypersurface
dynamical horizon = spacelike hypersurface

Navier-Stokes equation in Newtonian fluid dynamics

$$\rho \left(\frac{\partial v^i}{\partial t} + v^j \nabla_j v^i \right) = -\nabla^i P + \mu \Delta v^i + \left(\zeta + \frac{\mu}{3} \right) \nabla^i (\nabla_j v^j) + f^i$$

or, in terms of fluid momentum density $\pi_i := \rho v_i$,

$$\frac{\partial \pi_i}{\partial t} + v^j \nabla_j \pi_i + \theta \pi_i = -\nabla_i P + 2\mu \nabla^j \sigma_{ij} + \zeta \nabla_i \theta + f_i$$

where θ is the fluid expansion:

$$\theta := \nabla_j v^j$$

and σ_{ij} the velocity shear tensor:

$$\sigma_{ij} := \frac{1}{2} (\nabla_i v_j + \nabla_j v_i) - \frac{1}{3} \theta \delta_{ij}$$

P is the pressure, μ the shear viscosity, ζ the bulk viscosity and f_i the density of external forces

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Original Damour-Navier-Stokes equation (con't)

Introducing a coordinate system (t, x^1, x^2, x^3) such that

- t is compatible with ℓ : $\mathcal{L}_\ell t = 1$
- \mathcal{H} is defined by $x^1 = \text{const}$, so that $x^a = (x^2, x^3)$ are coordinates spanning \mathcal{S}_t

then

$$\ell = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \mathbf{V}$$

with \mathbf{V} tangent to \mathcal{S}_t : velocity of \mathcal{H} 's null generators with respect to the coordinates x^a [Damour, PRD 18, 3598 (1978)].

Then

$$\theta^{(\ell)} = \mathcal{D}_a V^a + \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \ln \sqrt{q} \quad q := \det q_{ab}$$

$$\sigma_{ab}^{(\ell)} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{D}_a V_b + \mathcal{D}_b V_a) - \frac{1}{2} \theta^{(\ell)} q_{ab} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial q_{ab}}{\partial t}$$

◀ compare

Negative bulk viscosity of event horizons

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

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)

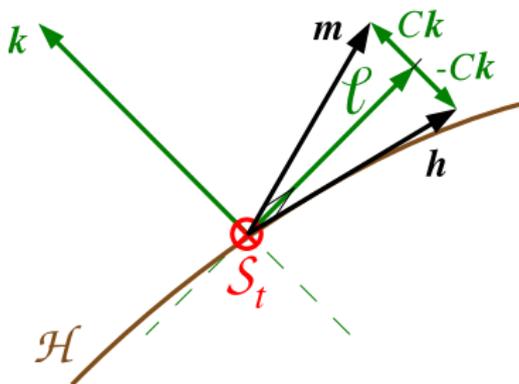
Generalization to the non-null case

Starting remark: in the null case (event horizon), ℓ plays two different roles:

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

When \mathcal{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 \mathcal{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} :

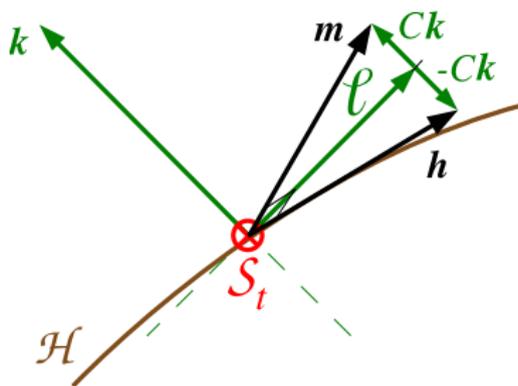
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- $\Omega^{(\ell)}$: normal fundamental form of \mathcal{S}_t associated with null normal ℓ
- $\theta^{(h)}$, $\theta^{(m)}$ and $\theta^{(k)}$: expansion scalars of \mathcal{S}_t along the vectors h , m and k respectively
- \mathcal{D} : covariant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

Null limit (event horizon)

If \mathcal{H} is a null hypersurface,

$$h = m = \ell \quad \text{and} \quad C = 0$$



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

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

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

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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 φ be a vector field on \mathcal{H} which

- 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 $(\mathcal{S}_t, \mathbf{q})$!)

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

[Hayward, PRD 74, 104013 (2006)]

The *generalized angular momentum associated with φ* is then defined by

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

Remark 1: does not depend upon the choice of null vector ℓ , thanks to the divergence-free property of φ

Remark 2:

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

Angular momentum flux law

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$$\frac{dA}{dt} = \int_t^{+\infty} D(u) e^{\bar{\kappa}(t-u)} du \quad D(t) : \text{r.h.s. of Eq. (1)}$$

Non causal evolution

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(OK for small departure from equilibrium [Booth & Fairhurst, PRL **92**, 011102 (2004)]):

Standard Cauchy problem :

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Causal evolution, in agreement with local nature of dynamical horizons

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