# Surprising consequences of tiny positive cosmological constant in Bondi-Sachs formalism

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# A brief history

- Well-defined notion of gravitational wave in full non-linear theory of general relativity for asymptotically flat space-time.
- Bondi and his collaborators provided a detailed analysis of gravitational waves in full non-linear theory along with a definition of energy carried away from an isolated system by gravitational radiation.

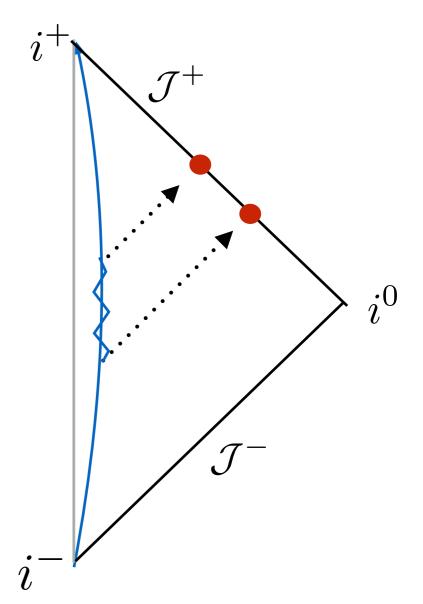
H. Bondi, M.G.J. Vander Burg, A. W. K. Metzner - 1962

- One of the remarkable milestones in gravitational radiation theory!
- Bondi's analysis has a lot of application in mathematical relativity, numerical relativity, asymptotic symmetries, recently on cosmology!!

# A brief history

- Bondi and his collaborators performed a systematic expansions of axis symmetric gravitational wave metric along outgoing null directions.
- Given an initial data on null hypersuface, solve Einstein's equations.
- Deduce the asymptotic fall-off condition for the gravitational fields.
- As a supplementary condition obtain mass-loss formula.
- 'News function' absolute square integrated over the sphere at infinity, measures the rate of energy loss by an isolated system.

$$\frac{dM}{du} = -\int |\partial_u \overset{\text{(-1)}}{\dot{h}}_{AB}|^2 \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$



# Questions...

• Given that cosmological observations suggest a positive  $\Lambda$ ,

how to generalise Bondi-Sachs's formalism?

Asymptotic fall-off condition for the gravitational fields?

Asymptotic symmetries?

Mass-loss formula for  $\Lambda > 0$ ?

Analogous 'News tensor'?

Surprisingly this remained unsolved for 60 years!! Lots of Non-trivialities!!

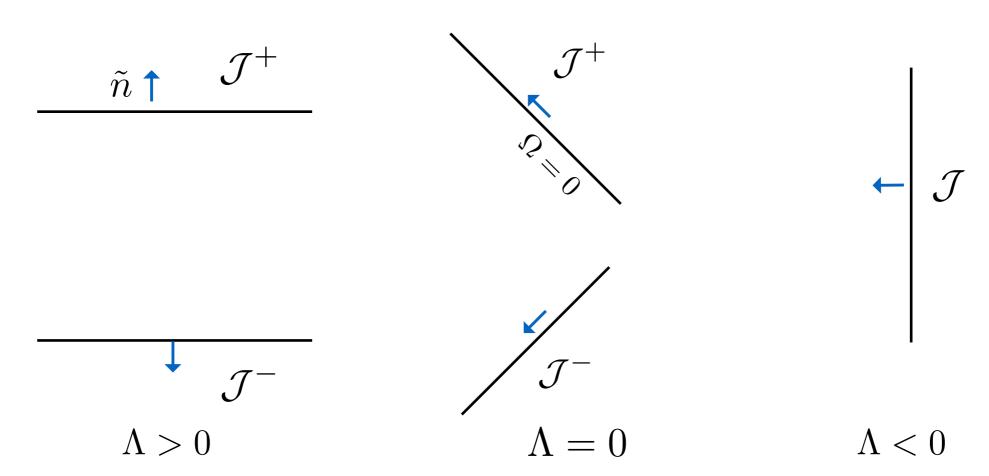
• A simpler version of the problem - Bondi-Sach's formalism for linearised gravitational fields on de Sitter background.

# Non-triviality for positive $\Lambda$

• Standard framework does not extend from  $\Lambda=0$  to  $\Lambda>0$  .

• Structure of null infinity alters, for  $\Lambda>0$ : space-like

 $\Lambda < 0$  : time-like



# Set up for Bondi coordinates

- We construct Bondi coordinates for de Sitter.
- Bondi coordinates are based on a family of outgoing null hypersurfaces.
- Hypersurfaces u = const are null.

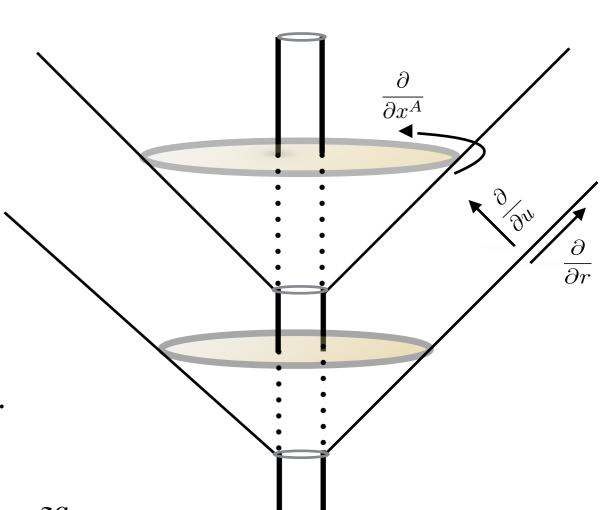
$$\implies g^{ab}\partial_a u \partial_b u = 0 \implies g^{uu} = 0$$

• Two angular coordinates  $x^A$ , are constant along null rays.

$$\implies g^{ab}\partial_a u\partial_b x^A = 0 \implies g^{uA} = 0.$$



$$\implies g_{rr} = 0 = g_{rA}$$



#### Metric in Bondi-Sachs coordinates

Metric in Bondi-Sachs coordinates,

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{V}{r}e^{2\beta}du^{2} - 2e^{2\beta}dudr + r^{2}\gamma_{AB}(dx^{A} - U^{A}du)(dx^{B} - U^{B}du)$$

ullet varies along null rays, chosen to be an areal coordinate;

$$\det g_{AB} = r^4 \sin^2 \theta$$

 We will explore Einstein equations for linearized fields on de Sitter background.

background 
$$g_{ab}(\lambda=0):=\bar{g}_{ab}$$
 ; perturbation  $h_{ab}:=\frac{dg_{ab}(\lambda)}{d\lambda}\Big|_{\lambda=0}$ 

# Bondi gauge for linearized theory

• In Bondi coordinates de SitterBackground metric takes the form,

$$\bar{ds}^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}\right)du^2 - 2dudr + r^2\dot{\gamma}_{AB}dx^Adx^B$$

Bondi gauge condition for linearized fields

$$h_{rr} = 0 = h_{rA}, \quad \mathring{\gamma}^{AB} h_{AB} = 0$$

We wish to explore linearised Einstein equation with Bondi metric,

$$E_{ab} := R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{ab} + \Lambda g_{ab} = 0$$

# Einstein equations: systems of hierarchical PDEs

• Four independent hyper surface equations,  $E_a^u=0$ 

• 
$$E_r^u = 0 \implies \partial_r \beta = \frac{r}{16} \gamma^{AC} \gamma^{BD} (\partial_r \gamma_{AB}) (\partial_r \gamma_{CD})$$

Linearisation:  $\partial_r \delta \beta = 0 \implies \delta \beta = \delta \beta(u, x^A)$ 

Using gauge  $\delta \beta = 0 = \delta g_{ur}$ ,  $h_{ab} \mapsto h_{ab} + \mathcal{L}_{\xi} \bar{g}_{ab}$ 

• 
$$E_A^u = 0 \implies \partial_r [r^4 e^{-2\beta} \gamma_{AB} (\partial_r U^B)] = 2r^4 \partial_r \left(\frac{1}{r} D_A \beta\right) - r^2 \gamma^{EF} D_E (\partial_r \gamma_{AF})$$

Linearisation:  $\partial_r [r^4 \partial_r (r^{-2} \delta g_{uA})]$ 

 $\partial_r [r^4 \partial_r (r^{-2} \delta g_{uA})] = r^2 \mathring{D}^F \partial_r (r^{-2} \delta g_{AF})$ 

• 
$$E_u^u = 0 \implies 2e^{-2\beta}(\partial_r V) = \mathcal{R} - 2\gamma^{AB}[D_A D_B \beta + D_A \beta D_B \beta]$$
  
  $+ \frac{e^{-2\beta}}{r^2} D_A [\partial_r (r^4 U^A)] - \frac{r^4}{2} e^{-2\beta} \gamma_{AB} (\partial_r U^A)(\partial_r U^B) - 2\Lambda r^2$ 

Linearisation:  $2\partial_r \delta V = \delta \mathcal{R} - \frac{1}{r^2} \mathring{D}^A [\partial_r (r^2 \delta g_{uA})]$ 

#### Solution for $h_{uA}$

Given the ansatz : 
$$h_{AB} = r^2 \left( \check{h}_{AB} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r^2} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r^2} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r^3} + \dots \right)$$

solve 
$$\partial_r[r^4\partial_r(r^{-2}\delta g_{uA})] = r^2\mathring{D}^F\partial_r(r^{-2}\delta g_{AF})$$
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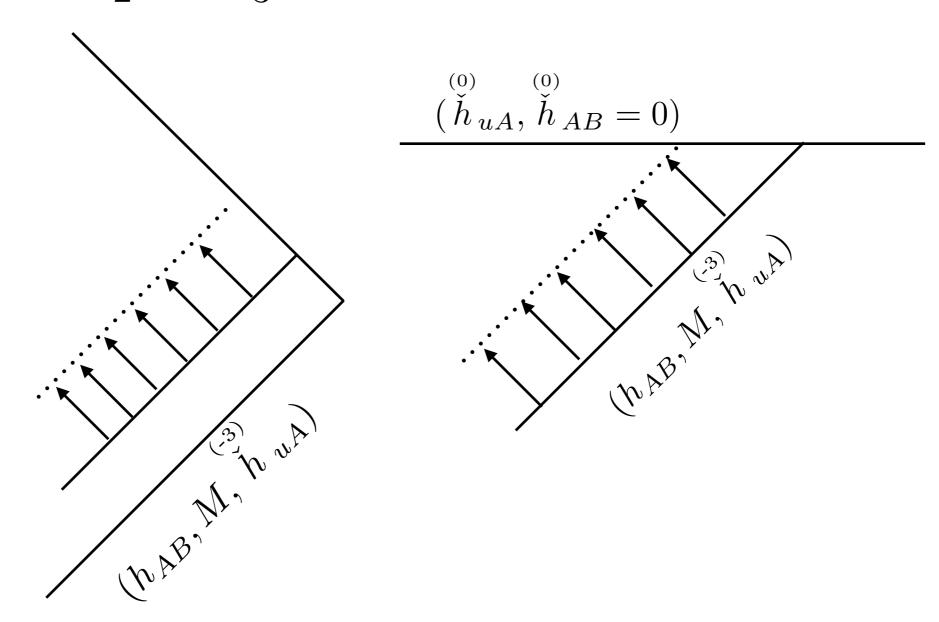
$$h_{uA} = r^2 \left( \check{h}_{uA} + \frac{1}{2} \mathring{D}^B \check{h}_{AB} r^{-2} + \left( \check{h}_{uA} + \frac{2}{9} \mathring{D}^B \check{h}_{AB} (3 \ln r + 1) \right) r^{-3} + \dots \right)$$

- ullet Similarly, solve for  $\,V\,$
- Given the ansatz  $h_{AB}$ , hypersurface equations  $E_a^u = 0$  fix the asymptotic fall off condition for other components of field.

# Evolution equation for $\check{h}_{AB}$

• Traceless symmetric parts of  $E_{AB}=0$  gives evolution equation for  $\check{h}_{AB}:=r^{-2}h_{AB}$ 

$$r\partial_r[r(\partial_u\check{h}_{AB})] + \frac{1}{2}\partial_r[r^2(\frac{\Lambda}{3}r^2 - 1)(\partial_r\check{h}_{AB})] - TS[\mathring{D}_A(\partial_r(r^2\check{h}_{AB}))] = 0$$



# Non-polyhomogenous de Sitter

$$r\partial_r[r(\partial_u\check{h}_{AB})] + \frac{1}{2}\partial_r[r^2(\frac{\Lambda}{3}r^2 - 1)(\partial_r\check{h}_{AB})] - TS[\mathring{D}_A(\partial_r(r^2\check{h}_{AB}))] = 0$$

Asymptotic analysis of this equation gives non trivial equations

$$\frac{\Lambda}{3} \overset{\text{\tiny{(-2)}}}{h}_{AB} = 0$$

- NO log term in de Sitter. De Sitter is non-polyhomogenous!!
- To get rid of log term one needs to set  $\overset{\text{\tiny{(-2)}}}{h}_{AB}=0$ , for flat spacetime. In Bondi's paper this condition is termed as outgoing radiation condition.
- For de Sitter this is a consequence of equation of motion.
- This result is true for full non-linear theory also.

# Asymptotic symmetry group is NOT BMS

$$r\partial_r[r(\partial_u\check{h}_{AB})] + \frac{1}{2}\partial_r[r^2(\frac{\Lambda}{3}r^2 - 1)(\partial_r\check{h}_{AB})] - TS[\mathring{D}_A(\partial_r(r^2\check{h}_{AB}))] = 0$$

Asymptotic analysis of this equation also gives,

$$\partial_{u} \overset{(0)}{\dot{h}}_{AB} = \frac{\Lambda}{3} \overset{(-1)}{\dot{h}}_{AB} + (\mathring{D}_{A} \overset{(0)}{\dot{h}}_{uB} + \mathring{D}_{B} \overset{(0)}{\dot{h}}_{uA} - \mathring{\gamma}_{AB} \mathring{D}^{C} \overset{(0)}{\dot{h}}_{uC})$$

- $\check{h}_{AB}$  and  $\check{h}_{uA}$  can not be zero simultaneously by a gauge transformation!! Asymptotic symmetry group of de Sitter is not BMS.
- Whether this gauge condition is achieved by any physical space-time is difficult.

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# Asymptotic expansion of linearised fields

$$h_{AB} = r^{2} \left( \underbrace{\check{h}_{AB}}_{=0}^{(0)} + \underbrace{\check{h}_{AB}}_{r} + \underbrace{\check{h}_{AB}}_{=0}^{(-1)} r^{-2} + \underbrace{\check{h}_{AB}}_{r^{3}} + \dots \right),$$

$$h_{uA} = r^{2} \left( \check{h}_{uA} + \frac{1}{2} \mathring{D}^{B} \check{h}_{AB} r^{-2} + \check{h}_{uA} r^{-3} + \dots \right),$$

$$h_{uu} = r \mathring{D}^{A} \check{h}_{uA} + \frac{M}{r} - \frac{1}{2r^{2}} \mathring{D}^{A} \check{h}_{uA} + \dots$$

$$h_{ur}=0$$

# **Evolution equations for integration constant**

ullet  $E_{uu}=0$ , gives the evolution equation for  $h_{uu}$ 

$$2\partial_{u}M = \partial_{u}\mathring{D}^{A}\mathring{D}^{B}\mathring{h}_{AB} - \Lambda\mathring{D}^{A}\mathring{h}_{uA}^{(-3)}$$

A non-trivial contribution to memory for cosmological constant!!

ullet  $E_{uA}=0$  , gives the evolution equation for  $\,h_{uA}$ 

$$3\partial_{u}\overset{\text{\tiny{(-3)}}}{\dot{h}}_{uA} = \mathring{D}_{A}M + \frac{1}{2}(\mathring{D}^{B}\mathring{D}_{A}\mathring{D}^{C}\overset{\text{\tiny{(-1)}}}{\dot{h}}_{CB} - \triangle_{\mathring{\gamma}}\mathring{D}^{C}\overset{\text{\tiny{(-1)}}}{\dot{h}}_{CA}) - \Lambda\mathring{D}^{B}\overset{\text{\tiny{(-3)}}}{\dot{h}}_{AB}$$

# Summary

- Bondi-Sachs coordinates are constructed for de Sitter.
- NO log term in de Sitter
- Asymptotic fall off condition for linearised gravitational field have been obtained in Bondi frame. Qualitatively different from  $\Lambda=0$  case.
- Due to different fall-off asymptotic symmetry group is not BMS
- A new contribution is expected in memory effect due to cosmological constant.
- Interesting to generalise Bondi-Sachs formalism for FLRW case.

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# Thank you

The residual gauge transformations are thus defined by a u-parameterised family of vector fields  $\xi^A(u,\cdot)$  on  $S^2$  together with

$$\partial_u \xi^u(u, x^A) = \frac{\mathring{D}_B \xi^B(u, x^A)}{2},$$
 (3.44)

and (3.25). Explicitly:

$$\dot{\zeta} = \left( \int \frac{\mathring{D}_B \xi^B(u, x^A)}{2} du + \mathring{\xi}^u(x^A) \right) \partial_u + \frac{1}{2} \left( \Delta_{\mathring{\gamma}} \xi^u - r \mathring{D}_B \xi^B \right) \partial_r 
+ \left( \xi^B(u, x^A) - \frac{1}{r} \mathring{D}^B \xi^u(u, x^A) \right) \partial_B,$$
(3.45)

with an arbitrary function  $\mathring{\xi}^u(x^A)$ .