Construction of initial data for 3+1 numerical relativity Part 3

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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)

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

Motivations: quantum gravity, numerical relativity

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At each point, the **expansion of** S **along** v is defined from the relative change in $\theta^{(\boldsymbol{v})} := \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \frac{\delta A' - \delta A}{\delta A} = \boldsymbol{\mathcal{L}}_{\boldsymbol{v}} \, \ln \sqrt{q} = q^{\mu \nu} \nabla_{\mu} v_{\nu}$

the area element δA :

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 \exists two future-directed null directions orthogonal to S:

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In flat space, $heta^{(m{k})} < 0$ and $heta^{(m{\ell})} > 0$

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trapped surface = local concept characterizing very strong gravitational fields

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

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

Proposition [Hawking & Ellis 1973]: \mathcal{A} smooth $\Longrightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is a MOTS

Connection with singularities and black holes

Proposition [Penrose (1965)]:

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

Proposition [Hawking & Ellis (1973)]: provided that the cosmic censorship conjecture holds, \exists a trapped surface $S \implies \exists$ a black hole \mathcal{B} and $S \subset \mathcal{B}$

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BH in equilibrium (e.g. Kerr) = IH BH out of equilibrium = DH generic BH = FOTH a future outer trapping horizon (FOTH) iff

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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
 [Ashtekar & Krishnan, PRD 68, 104030 (2003)], [Hayward, PRD 70, 104027 (2004)]
- a viscous fluid bubble analogy ("membrane paradigm" as for the event horizon), leading to a Navier-Stokes-like equation and a **positive** bulk viscosity (event horizon = negative bulk viscosity)
 [Gourgoulhon, PRD 72, 104007 (2005)], [Gourgoulhon & Jaramillo, PRD 74, 087502 (2006)]

Reviews: [Ashtekar & Krishnan, Liv. Rev. Relat. 7, 10 (2004)], [Booth, Can. J. Phys. 83, 1073 (2005)], [Gourgoulhon & Jaramillo, Phys. Rep. 423, 159 (2006)]

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Provided that the excised region is located within the even horizon, the choice of it does not affect the exterior spacetime

Need for boundary conditions at the excision surface

In the framework of the extended conformal thin sandwich (XCTS) method, boundary conditions on ${\cal S}$ are required for

- the conformal factor Ψ
- the conformal lapse $ilde{N}$ (or equivalently the lapse N, since $N=\Psi^6 ilde{N}$)
- the shift vector $\boldsymbol{\beta}$

Trapping horizon inner boundary

Choose the excision boundary S_t to be a **marginally trapped surface** for each time t



The tube $\mathcal{H} = \bigcup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \mathcal{S}_t$

is then generically a smooth trapping horizon

[Andersson, Mars & Simon, PRL 95, 111102 (2005)]

- geometrically well defined excision boundary
- ensures \mathcal{S}_t is located inside the event horizon
- easy to implement with spherical coordinates

Geometrical setup

Hypersurface Σ_t :

- induced metric γ (positive definite); associated connection D
- future directed timelike unit normal $m{n}$
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2-surface \mathcal{S}_t :

- induced metric q (positive definite); associated connection ^sD
- normal vector pairs (basis of $\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_t)^{\perp}$): (see figure)
 - orthonormal basis (n,s), where s is the outgoing spacelike unit normal to \mathcal{S}_t in Σ_t
 - null basis (ℓ, k) (not unique: $\ell \mapsto \ell' = \lambda \ell$, $k \mapsto k' = \mu k$)
- extrinsic curvature, as a hypersurface of Σ_t , H : $H_{\alpha\beta} = D_\mu s_\alpha q^\mu_{\ \beta}$

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Privileged evolution vector on \mathcal{H}



Vector field h on \mathcal{H} defined by

- (i) h is tangent to \mathcal{H}
- (ii) h is orthogonal to S_t
- (iii) $\mathcal{L}_{h} t = h^{\mu} \partial_{\mu} t = \langle \mathbf{d} t, \mathbf{h} \rangle = 1$

NB: (iii) \implies the 2-surfaces S_t are Lie-dragged by h

 $m{h}\in\mathcal{T}_p(\mathcal{S}_t)^\perp=\mathsf{Vect}(m{n},m{s})$ and can be decomposed as $m{h}=Nm{n}+bm{s}=m{m}+bm{s}$

Norm of \boldsymbol{h} and type of $\mathcal H$

Definition:
$$C := \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{h} \cdot \boldsymbol{h} = \frac{1}{2} \left(b^2 - N^2 \right)$$

\mathcal{H} is spacelike (DH)	\iff	$m{h}$ is spacelike	\iff	C > 0	\iff	b > N
${\cal H}$ is null (IH)	\iff	$m{h}$ is null	\iff	C = 0	\iff	b = N
${\cal H}$ is timelike	\iff	$m{h}$ is timelike	\iff	C < 0	\iff	b < N.

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Null basis associated with h

The vectors $\boldsymbol{\ell} := \frac{1}{2}(b+N)(n+s)$ and $\boldsymbol{k} := \frac{1}{b+N}(n-s)$ are the unique pair of null vectors normal to \mathcal{S}_t such that $\boldsymbol{\ell} \cdot \boldsymbol{k} = -1$ and $\boldsymbol{h} = \boldsymbol{\ell} - C\boldsymbol{k}$



Spatial coordinates

Coordinates $(x^i)_{i \in \{1,2,3\}}$ on $\Sigma_t \Rightarrow$ define the shift vector $\boldsymbol{\beta}$: $\partial_t = N\boldsymbol{n} + \boldsymbol{\beta}$ 2+1 orthogonal decomposition of the shift with respect to \mathcal{S}_t : $\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\beta}^{\perp} \boldsymbol{s} - \boldsymbol{V}$ with $\boldsymbol{s} \cdot \boldsymbol{V} = 0$.

The coordinates (t, x^i) are comoving w.r.t. \mathcal{H} iff there exists a function f not depending on t and such that $\forall p = (t, x^1, x^2, x^3) \in \mathcal{M}, \ p \in \mathcal{H} \iff f(x^1, x^2, x^3) = 0$

Special case: adapted coordinates: $f = f(x^1)$

Coordinates (t, x^i) comoving w.r.t. $\mathcal{H} \iff \partial_t$ tangent to \mathcal{H}

Marginally trapped surface BC

One has
$$\boldsymbol{\ell} = \lambda(\boldsymbol{n} + \boldsymbol{s})$$
, with $\lambda := \frac{1}{2}(b + N)$
Hence $\theta^{(\boldsymbol{\ell})} = \lambda \left[\theta^{(\boldsymbol{n})} + \theta^{(\boldsymbol{s})}\right]$, with
• $\theta^{(\boldsymbol{n})} = q^{\mu\nu}\nabla_{\mu}n_{\nu} = (\gamma^{\mu\nu} - s^{\mu}s^{\nu})(-K_{\mu\nu} - D_{\nu}\ln N n_{\mu}) = -K + K_{ij}s^{i}s^{j}$
• $\theta^{(\boldsymbol{s})} = q^{\mu\nu}\nabla_{\mu}s_{\nu} = q^{ij}D_{i}s_{j} = (\gamma^{ij} - s^{i}s^{j})D_{i}s_{j} = D_{i}s^{i}$ (mean curvature H of \mathcal{S}_{t})

Therefore $\theta^{(\ell)} = \lambda \left(D_i s^i + K_{ij} s^i s^j - K \right)$

Hence the marginally trapped surface condition:

$$\theta^{(\ell)} = 0 \iff D_i s^i + K_{ij} s^i s^j - K = 0$$

Remark: minimal surface condition : $D_i s^i = 0$

Conformal decomposition : $\gamma_{ij} = \Psi^4 \tilde{\gamma}_{ij}$, $K_{ij} = \Psi^{-2} \hat{A}_{ij} + \frac{K}{3} \Psi^4 \tilde{\gamma}_{ij}$, $s^i = \Psi^{-2} \tilde{s}^i$

$$4\tilde{s}^{i}\tilde{D}_{i}\Psi + \tilde{D}_{i}\tilde{s}^{i}\Psi + \hat{A}_{ij}\tilde{s}^{i}\tilde{s}^{j}\Psi^{-3} - \frac{2}{3}K\Psi^{3} = 0$$
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Condition $\mathcal{L}_{m{h}}\, heta^{(\ell)}=0$ on \mathcal{S}_t

i.e. not only S_t is a marginally trapped surface at time t, but remains marginally trapped at time $t + \delta t$: Thanks to Einstein equation, the condition $\mathcal{L}_h \theta^{(\ell)} = 0$, along with $\theta^{(\ell)} = 0$, is equivalent to [Eardley, PRD 57, 2299 (1998)]

$$-{}^{s}D_{a}{}^{s}D^{a}(b-N) - 2L^{a}{}^{s}D_{a}(b-N) + A(b-N) = B(b+N)$$
(2)

with ${}^{s}D_{a}$: Levi-Civita connection associated with the metric q on S_{t} $L_{a} := K_{ij}s^{i}q^{j}{}_{a}$ $A := \frac{1}{2}{}^{s}R - {}^{s}D_{a}L^{a} - L_{a}L^{a} - 4\pi T_{\mu\nu}(n^{\mu} + s^{\mu})(n^{\nu} - s^{\nu})$ ${}^{s}R$: Ricci scalar of the metric q on S_{t} $B := \frac{1}{2}\hat{\sigma}_{ab}\hat{\sigma}^{ab} + 4\pi T_{\mu\nu}(n^{\mu} + s^{\mu})(n^{\nu} + s^{\nu})$ $\hat{\sigma}_{ab} := H_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}Hq_{ab} + \sigma_{ab}^{(n)}$

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Link with $\mathcal{L}_{h} \theta^{(\ell)} = 0$ condition: notice $B = \lambda^{-2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \sigma_{ab}^{(\ell)} \sigma^{(\ell)}{}^{ab} + 4\pi T(\ell, \ell) \right]$ Now the null Raychaudhuri equation is

$$\mathcal{L}_{h} \theta^{(\ell)} + \kappa \theta^{(\ell)} + \frac{1}{2} (\theta^{(\ell)})^{2} + \sigma_{ab}^{(\ell)} \sigma^{(\ell)}{}^{ab} + 8\pi T(\ell, \ell) = 0$$
present case $(\theta^{(\ell)} = 0 \text{ and } \mathcal{L}_{\ell} \theta^{(\ell)} = \mathcal{L}_{h} \theta^{(\ell)} = 0)$ it reduces to
$$\sigma_{ab}^{(\ell)} \sigma^{(\ell)}{}^{ab} + 8\pi T(\ell, \ell) = 0$$

Hence, for a non-expanding horizon, B = 0 and the solution to Eq. (2) is b - N = 0, i.e. we recover the above condition $b = N_{\Box}$, we have A = 0.

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Conformal Killing vector condition :

$${}^{s}\tilde{D}_{a}\tilde{V}_{b} + {}^{s}\tilde{D}_{b}\tilde{V}_{a} - {}^{s}\tilde{D}_{c}\tilde{V}^{c}\tilde{q}_{ab} = \mathbf{0}$$
(3)

But on a (2-dimensional) sphere, all metrics are conformally related Let \vec{q} be the round metric associated with some coordinates $(x^a) = (\theta, \varphi)$ on S_t : $\vec{q}_{ab}dx^a dx^b = r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2)$ Any Killing vector $\boldsymbol{\xi}$ of \vec{q} is a conformal Killing vector of \vec{q} ; hence $V = \omega \boldsymbol{\xi}, \quad \omega = \text{const}$

is a solution of Eq. (3) For instance $\boldsymbol{\xi} = \boldsymbol{\partial}_{\varphi}$

Summary: BC for XCTS scheme

XCTS: needs BC on \mathcal{S}_0 for Ψ , $\tilde{N} = \Psi^{-6}N$ and $\beta^i \leftrightarrow (\beta^{\perp}, V^a)$

We assume here comoving coordinates $(b = \beta^{\perp})$

General trapping horizon:

Conditions $\theta^{(\ell)} = 0$ and $\mathcal{L}_h \theta^{(\ell)} = 0$ yield respectively

• $4\tilde{s}^{i}\tilde{D}_{i}\Psi + \tilde{D}_{i}\tilde{s}^{i}\Psi + \hat{A}_{ij}\tilde{s}^{i}\tilde{s}^{j}\Psi^{-3} - \frac{2}{3}K\Psi^{3}\stackrel{S_{0}}{=} 0, \quad \hat{A}^{ij} = \frac{1}{2\tilde{N}}\left[\dot{\tilde{\gamma}}^{ij} + (\tilde{L}\beta)^{ij}\right]$ • $-{}^{s}D_{a}{}^{s}D^{a}(\beta^{\perp} - N) - 2L^{a}{}^{s}D_{a}(\beta^{\perp} - N) + A(\beta^{\perp} - N)\stackrel{S_{0}}{=} B(\beta^{\perp} + N)$

Non-expanding horizon $(+ \tilde{\gamma}_{ij} = 0$ as part of free data) :

Conditions $\theta^{(\ell)} = 0$, $\mathcal{L}_h \theta^{(\ell)} = 0$ and $\sigma^{(\ell)} = 0$ yield respectively

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- $\beta^{\perp} \stackrel{\mathcal{S}_0}{=} N$

• V conformal Killing vector of \tilde{q} , e.g. $V \stackrel{S_0}{=} \omega \partial_{\varphi}$

Quasi-equilibrium BC

Non-expanding horizon BC = 4 conditions, whereas we have 5 equations in the XCTS scheme, for the 5 quantities Ψ , $\tilde{N} = \Psi^{-6}N$ and $\beta^i \leftrightarrow (\beta^{\perp}, V^a)$ \implies a 5th BC is required !

No priviled ged geometrical choice for this 5th BC: this reflects the freedom in the choice of the slicing: the 5th BC can be a BC on the lapse N and can be freely chosen



Remark: the condition K = 0 (part of free data) implies maximal slicing but is not sufficient to fully determine the foliation $(\Sigma_t)_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$: the value of N at the inner boundary S_t must be provided

Choice of lapse function

Suggested choices of lapse:

• arbitrary simple Dirichlet/Newmann BC [Cook & Pfeiffer, PRD 70, 104016 (2004)] : $\frac{\partial}{\partial r}(N\Psi) \stackrel{S_0}{=} 0, \quad N\Psi \stackrel{S_0}{=} 0 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial r}(N\Psi) \stackrel{S_0}{=} \frac{N\Psi}{2r}$

• constant "surface gravity" [Jaramillo, Ansorg & Limousin, gr-qc/0610006] : $s^i D_i N - N K_{ij} s^i s^j = \kappa_0 = \text{const}$ $\iff \tilde{s}^i \tilde{D}_i N - \left(\Psi^{-4} \hat{A}_{ij} \tilde{s}^i \tilde{s}^j + \frac{1}{3} K \Psi^2 \right) N = \kappa_0$

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Same free data as before: $\tilde{\gamma}_{ij} = f_{ij}$, $\hat{A}_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = 0$, K = 0, $\tilde{E} = 0$ and $\tilde{p}^i = 0$ but change the manifold Σ_0 :



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[Misner, Ann. Phys. 24, 102 (1963)], [Lindquist, J. Math. Phys. 4, 938 (1963)] .

$$\Psi = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\alpha_{1n}}{\|r - r_{1n}\|} + \frac{\alpha_{2n}}{\|r - r_{2n}\|} \right)$$

3-parameter solutions : d = distance between the center of the excised balls $a_1 = \text{radius of ball 1}$ $a_2 = \text{radius of ball 2}$ $\alpha_{1n} = F_1(d, a_1, a_2, n), \ \alpha_{2n} = F_2(d, a_1, a_2, n),$ $r_{1n} = G_1(d, a_1, a_2, n), \ r_{2n} = G_2(d, a_1, a_2, n)$ (see e.g. [Andrade & Price, PRD 56, 6336 (1997)] for the explicit form of F_1, F_2, G_1 and G_2) In the special case $a_1 = a_2 =: a$ these expressions are $\alpha_{1n} = \alpha_{2n} = \frac{c}{\sinh(n\mu)}, \ r_{1n} = -c \coth(n\mu) e_x, \ r_{2n} = c \coth(n\mu) e_x,$ with (c, μ) related to (d, a) by $d = c \coth \mu$ and $a = \frac{c}{\sinh \mu}$

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Two explicit forms of the isometry, as *inversions* w.r.t. each throat:

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- spherical coordinates centered on O_2 : $I: (r_2, \theta_2, \varphi_2) \mapsto (a_2^2/r_2, \theta_2, \varphi_2)$