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 a boundary 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.

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



Questions...

• Given that cosmological observations suggest a positive Λ ,

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 Λ

- 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. ∂ $\implies g^{ab}\partial_a u\partial_b u = 0 \implies g^{uu} = 0$ $\overline{\partial x^A}$ \mathfrak{G} 9n Two angular coordinates x^A , are ∂ constant along null rays. $\implies q^{ab}\partial_a u\partial_b x^A = 0 \implies q^{uA} = 0.$ • g^{ab} and g_{ab} are related by $g^{ac}g_{cb} = \delta^a_b$

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

Metric in Bondi-Sachs coordinates

• Metric in Bondi-Sachs coordinates,

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

• r 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 Sitter Background metric takes the form,

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

• 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, $E_a^u = 0$

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

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: $\partial_r [r^4 \partial_r (r^{-2} \delta g_{uA})] = r^2 \mathring{D}^F \partial_r (r^{-2} \delta g_{AF})$
• $E_u^u = 0 \implies 2e^{-2\beta} (\partial_r V) = \mathcal{R} - 2\gamma^{AB} [D_A D_B \beta + D_A \beta D_B \beta]$
 $+ \frac{e^{-2\beta}}{r^2} D_A [\partial_r (r^4 U^A)] - \frac{r^4}{2} e^{-2\beta} \gamma_{AB} (\partial_r U^A) (\partial_r U^B) - 2\Lambda r^2$
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:
$$h_{AB} = r^2 \left(\check{h}_{AB} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r^2} + \frac{\check{h}_{AB}}{r^3} + \dots \right)$$

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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$$h_{uA} = r^2 \left(\check{h}_{uA} + \frac{1}{2} \mathring{D}^B \check{h}_{AB} r^{-2} + \left(\check{h}_{uA} + \frac{2}{9} \mathring{D}^B \check{h}_{AB} (3\ln r + 1) \right) r^{-3} + \dots \right)$$

- Similarly, solve for V
- Given the ansatz h_{AB} , hypersuface 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

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

- NO log term in de Sitter. De Sitter is non-polyhomogenous!!
- To get rid of log term one needs to set $\check{h}_{AB} = 0$, 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.

G. Compère, A. Fiorucci, R Ruzziconi - 2019

A. Pole, K. Skenderis, M. Taylor -2019

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,

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

- \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.

S. J. Hoque, A. Virmani - 2021

Asymptotic expansion of linearised fields

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

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

$$h_{uu} = r \mathring{D}^{A} \underbrace{\check{h}}_{uA}^{(0)} + \frac{M}{r} - \frac{1}{2r^{2}} \mathring{D}^{A} \underbrace{\check{h}}_{uA}^{(-3)} + \dots$$

$$h_{ur} = 0$$

Evolution equations for integration constant

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

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

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

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

Summary and outlook

- 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
- Relation with other radiative solution in de Sitter? Relation with quadrupole formula in de Sitter?

A. Ashtekar, B. Bonga, A. Kesavan - 2015 G. Date, Sk J. Hoque - 2015

• Interesting to generalise Bondi-Sachs formalism for FLRW case.

B. Bonga, K. Prabhu - 2020

• Relation with BMS charges and charges in double null formalism?

Thank you

Energy in the linearised theory

• The Hamiltonian for the linearised theory associated with a hyper surface \sum , and a vector field X reads,

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}[\Sigma, X] := \int_{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{\mu} d\Sigma_{\mu}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_{\Sigma} \omega^{\mu} (\tilde{\phi}, \mathcal{L}_{X} \tilde{\phi}) \ d\Sigma_{\mu} - \int_{\partial \Sigma} X^{[\sigma} \tilde{\pi}^{\mu]}_{A} \tilde{\phi}^{A} d\Sigma_{\sigma \mu} \right)$$

 $\dot{\phi}$ is linearised field, $\tilde{\pi}^{\mu}$ is associated canonical conjugate momenta.

• When X is a time-translational symmetry of background, the numerical value of the integration is identified with the total energy of the field contained in Σ .

Energy flux in the linearised theory

• Consider a family of hyper surfaces labelled by \mathcal{T} and define, $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\Sigma_{\tau}, X) := \int_{\Sigma_{\tau}} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}^{\mu} dS_{\mu}$

$$\frac{d\tilde{\mathcal{H}}[\Sigma_{\tau},X]}{d\tau} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{d\tau} \int_{\Sigma} \omega^{\mu}(\tilde{\phi},\mathcal{L}_{X}\tilde{\phi}) d\Sigma_{\mu} - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial\Sigma} \mathcal{L}_{X} \left(X^{[\sigma}\tilde{\pi}_{A}{}^{\mu]}\tilde{\phi}^{A} \right) d\Sigma_{\sigma\mu}
= -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial\Sigma} X^{[\sigma}\omega^{\mu]}(\tilde{\phi},\mathcal{L}_{X}\tilde{\phi}) d\Sigma_{\sigma\mu}
-\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial\Sigma} \left(X^{[\sigma}\mathcal{L}_{X}\tilde{\pi}_{A}{}^{\mu]}\tilde{\phi}^{A} + X^{[\sigma}\tilde{\pi}_{A}{}^{\mu]}\mathcal{L}_{X}\tilde{\phi}^{A} \right) d\Sigma_{\sigma\mu}.$$

Using,
$$\omega^{\mu}(\tilde{\phi}, \mathcal{L}_X \tilde{\phi}) := \mathcal{L}_X \tilde{\phi}^A \tilde{\pi}_A{}^{\mu} - \tilde{\phi}^A \mathcal{L}_X \tilde{\pi}_A{}^{\mu}$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{H}(\Sigma_{\tau}, X)}{d\tau} = -\int_{\partial \Sigma_{\tau}} X^{[\sigma} \tilde{\pi}_{A}{}^{\mu]} \pounds_{X} \tilde{\phi}^{A} d\Sigma_{\sigma\mu}.$$

The integrand represents the flux of the energy through $\partial \Sigma$ when Σ is dragged along the flow of X.



Canonical energy for gravitational field

$$E_{c}[h, \mathcal{C}_{u,R}] = \frac{1}{64\pi} \int_{\mathcal{C}_{u,R}} \bar{g}^{BE} \bar{g}^{FC} (\partial_{u} h_{BC} \partial_{r} h_{EF} - h_{BC} \partial_{r} \partial_{u} h_{EF}) r^{2} \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$$
$$- \frac{1}{32\pi} \int_{S(R)} \bar{P}^{r(bc)d(ef)} h_{bc} \bar{\nabla}_{d} h_{ef} r^{2} \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

where:

- h_{ab} solution of linearised vacuum Einstein equations,
- C_u light cone u = const emanating from r = 0,
- $\mathcal{C}_{u,R}$ light cone truncated at radius r=R,
- S(R) sphere of radius R

Boundary term in canonical energy

• In Bondi gauge boundary integral of $E_C(h, C_{u,R})$ becomes,

$$-\frac{\Lambda R}{192\pi} \int_{S^2} \mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \mathring{\gamma}^{CD} \mathring{\tilde{h}}_{AC}^{(-1)} \stackrel{(-1)}{\underline{h}_{BD}} \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$
$$-\frac{1}{64\pi} \int_{S^2} (\mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \mathring{\gamma}^{CD} \mathring{\tilde{h}}_{AC}^{(-1)} \stackrel{(-1)}{\underline{\partial}_{u}} \check{h}_{BD} - 6\mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \mathring{\tilde{h}}_{uA}^{(0)} \stackrel{(-3)}{\underline{h}_{uB}}) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

Renormalised energy and flux

We propose to introduce a renormalised canonical energy

$$\hat{E}_{c}[h, \mathcal{C}_{u}] := \frac{1}{64\pi} \int_{\mathcal{C}_{u}} g^{BE} g^{FC} (\partial_{u} h_{BC} \partial_{r} h_{EF} - h_{BC} \partial_{r} \partial_{u} h_{EF}) r^{2} \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$$

$$- \frac{1}{64\pi} \int_{S^{2}} (\mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \mathring{\gamma}^{CD} \check{\tilde{h}}_{AC} \partial_{u} \check{\tilde{h}}_{BD} - 6\mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \check{\tilde{h}}_{uA} \check{\tilde{h}}_{uB}) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

which has its own flux formula

$$\frac{d\hat{E}_{c}[h,\mathcal{C}_{u}]}{du} = -\frac{1}{32\pi} \int_{S^{2}} (\mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \mathring{\gamma}^{CD} \partial_{u} \overset{(-1)}{\check{h}}_{AC} \partial_{u} \overset{(-1)}{\check{h}}_{BD} - 6\mathring{\gamma}^{AB} \overset{(-3)}{\check{h}}_{uA} \partial_{u} \overset{(0)}{\check{h}}_{uB}) \sin\theta d\theta d\phi$$

For $\Lambda = 0$, we obtain linearised version of Bondi's mass-loss formula.





 $\Lambda > 0$

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• Proposed renormalised energy and flux in the limit $\Lambda = 0$ become classical Bondi quantities.