

# Singular story of non-singular spacetimes with the NUT parameter

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# Schwarzschild & Singularities

Let's start with basics:

$$ds^2 = -f(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2),$$

$f(r) = 1 - \frac{2m}{r} \implies$  singularity at  $r = 2m$  ?

$(t, r, \theta, \phi) \in \mathbb{R} \times (2m, \infty) \times S^2$  ?

Solution: (outgoing) Eddington–Finkelstein coordinates:

$$dt = du + f(r)^{-1} dr$$

$$ds^2 = -f(r) du^2 - 2 du dr + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2),$$

$(u, r, \theta, \phi) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0} \times S^2$

Works also with charges, rotation,  $\Lambda$  and **NUT parameter**.

# Taub-NUT & Singularities

The **Taub-N**(ewman)-**U**(nti)-**T**(amburino) metric tensor (1963):  
 $l$ - NUT parameter.

$$ds^2 = -f(r)(dt^\circ + 2l \cos \theta d\phi)^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + (l^2 + r^2)(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2),$$

$$f(r) = \frac{r^2 - 2mr - l^2}{r^2 + l^2}, \quad r_\pm = m \pm \sqrt{m^2 + l^2}$$

The poles  $\theta = 0$  and  $\theta = \pi$  are not regular.

But  $r = 0$  is!  $\implies$  Taub-NUT is a smooth "regularizer" of Schwarzschild.

**Cosmic string** along the  $z$  axis (Bonnor 1969).

# Taub-NUT & Misner's interpretation

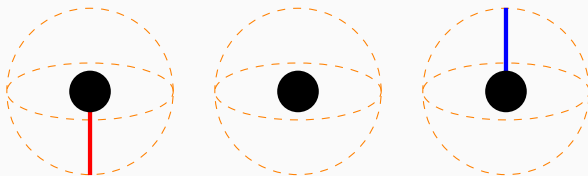
Another solution: **Misner glueing** (1963)

$$t^\circ = t + 2l\phi$$

$$t^\circ = t' - 2l\phi$$

$$ds^2 = -f(r)(dt + 2l(\cos\theta - 1)d\phi)^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + (l^2 + r^2)(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2),$$

$$ds'^2 = -f(r')(dt' + 2l(\cos\theta' + 1)d\phi')^2 + \frac{dr'^2}{f(r')} + (l^2 + r'^2)(d\theta'^2 + \sin^2\theta' d\phi'^2)$$



**Price:**  $t = t' - 4l\phi \implies (t, r, \theta, \phi) \in [0, 8\pi l) \times \mathbb{R} \times S^2$

# Taub-NUT & cosmological interpretation

When CTC are a problem?

$$g_{t^\circ t^\circ} = -f(r) = -\frac{r^2 - 2mr - l^2}{r^2 + l^2}, \quad g_{rr} = f(r)^{-1}, \quad r_{\pm} = m \pm \sqrt{m^2 + l^2}$$

$\partial_{t^\circ}$  is timelike for  $r > r_+$  or  $r < r_-$  (NUT $_{\pm}$  regions)

$\partial_{t^\circ}$  is spacelike otherwise (Taub region)

**Cosmological coordinates:**

$$(t^\circ, r) = (2l(\psi' - \phi), \tau), \text{ possibly with } d\psi' = d\psi - \frac{1}{2l}f(r)^{-1}dr$$

$$ds^2 = -\frac{d\tau^2}{-f(\tau)} + (2l)^2(-f(\tau))(d\psi' - \cos\theta)^2 + (\tau^2 + l^2)(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

$$\int_{r_-}^{r_+} \frac{d\tau}{\sqrt{-f(\tau)}} = \int_{r_-}^{r_+} \frac{\sqrt{r^2 + l^2}}{\sqrt{r - r_-}\sqrt{r_+ - r}} dr$$

$\implies$  homogeneous cosmological model of Bianchi type IX, i.e. with the symmetry group SU(2)

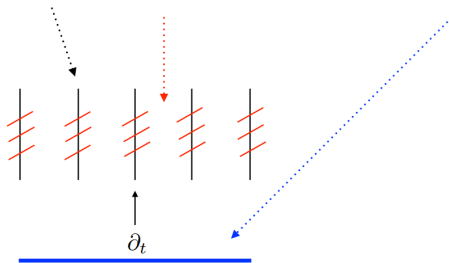
# Taub-NUT as a U(1)-principal bundle

singular at  $\theta = \pi$

$$-f(r) (dt + 2l (\cos \theta - 1) d\phi)^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + (r^2 + l^2)(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

singular at  $\theta = 0$

$$-f(r) (dt' + 2l (\cos \theta + 1) d\phi)^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + (r^2 + l^2)(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$



U(1)-principal bundle:  $\mathbb{R} \times S^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \times S^2$

## Taub-NUT in 1-forms

Hopf fibration:  $S^3 \xrightarrow{\Pi} S^2$  Left ( $X^\mu$ ) and right ( $Y^\mu$ ) invariant vector fields and 1-forms in Euler angles:

$$X_1 = \cos \psi \partial_\theta + \frac{\sin \psi}{\sin \theta} \partial_\phi - \frac{\sin \psi}{\tan \theta} \partial_\psi,$$

$$X_2 = -\sin \psi \partial_\theta + \frac{\cos \psi}{\sin \theta} \partial_\phi - \frac{\cos \psi}{\tan \theta} \partial_\psi,$$

$$X_3 = \partial_\psi,$$

$$Y_3 = \partial_\phi.$$

$$\omega^1 = \cos \psi d\theta + \sin \theta \sin \psi d\phi,$$

$$\omega^2 = -\sin \psi d\theta + \sin \theta \cos \psi d\phi,$$

$$\omega^3 = d\psi + \cos \theta d\phi,$$

$$ds^2 = -f(r)4l^2(\omega^3)^2 + \frac{(\omega^0)^2}{f(r)} + (l^2 + r^2)((\omega^1)^2 + (\omega^2)^2).$$

# Kerr-NUT-(anti-) de Sitter

$$g = -\frac{Q}{\Sigma}(dt - Ad\phi)^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{Q}dr^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{P}d\theta^2 + \frac{P}{\Sigma}\sin^2\theta(adt - \rho d\phi)^2,$$

$$\Sigma = r^2 + (l + a\cos\theta)^2,$$

$$A = a\sin^2\theta + 4l\sin^2\frac{1}{2}\theta,$$

$$\rho = r^2 + (l + a)^2 = \Sigma + aA,$$

$$Q = (a^2 - l^2) - 2mr + r^2 - \Lambda((a^2 - l^2)l^2 + (\frac{1}{3}a^2 + 2l^2)r^2 + \frac{1}{3}r^4),$$

$$P = 1 + \frac{4}{3}\Lambda al\cos\theta + \frac{\Lambda}{3}a^2\cos^2\theta.$$

$a$  - Kerr rotation parameter.

- ▷  $\Sigma = 0$ : ring-like singularity, but only for  $l^2 < a^2$ !
- ▷ Lorentzian signature  $\implies P > 0$
- ▷  $Ad\phi$  is singular at  $\theta = \pi$
- ▷  $Q(r_0) = 0$ : Killing horizons (up to 4)
- ▷ Killing vector fields:  $\partial_t, \partial_\phi$



# General bundle structure

U(1)-principal bundle:

$$\mathbb{R} \times S^3 \xrightarrow{\Pi} \mathbb{R} \times S^2$$

- ▷  $\xi$  - generator of  $U(1)$ -action  $\mathbb{R} \times S^3$
- ▷  $\omega$  - connection 1-form on  $\mathbb{R} \times S^3$
- ▷  $f: \mathbb{R} \times S^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- ▷  $q$  - 3D metric tensor on the space of the orbits

$$g = -(\Pi^* f)\omega \otimes \omega + \Pi^* q, \quad \mathcal{L}_\xi g = 0, \quad \xi^\mu \xi_\mu = -(\Pi^* f)$$

# Kerr-NUT-(anti-) de Sitter as a

$$ds^2 = -\frac{Q}{\Sigma}(dt - A d\phi)^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{Q}dr^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{P}d\theta^2 + \frac{P}{\Sigma}d\theta^2 \sin^2 \theta \rho^2 d\phi^2 + \text{smooth}$$

Diagram illustrating the metric components and their corresponding coordinates:

- The term  $-\frac{Q}{\Sigma}(dt - A d\phi)^2$  is associated with the vertical lines and red diagonal slashes.
- The term  $\frac{\Sigma}{Q}dr^2$  is associated with the vertical line and the upward arrow labeled  $\partial_t$ .
- The term  $\frac{\Sigma}{P}d\theta^2$  is associated with the blue horizontal line.
- The term  $\frac{P}{\Sigma}d\theta^2 \sin^2 \theta \rho^2 d\phi^2$  is associated with the blue diagonal line.
- The term  $\text{smooth}$  is associated with the text  $dr, d\theta, d\phi$ .

New problem: base space may have **conical singularity**.

Removable iff  $P(0) = P(\pi)$ . i.e.  $aL\Lambda = 0$ .

## Removing singularities - one step at a time ...

Eddington-Finkelstein-like coordinates

$$dv := dt + \frac{\rho}{Q} dr, \quad d\tilde{\phi} := d\phi + \frac{a}{Q} dr.$$

$$ds^2 = -\frac{Q}{\Sigma}(dv - Ad\tilde{\phi})^2 + 2dr(dv - Ad\tilde{\phi}) + \frac{\Sigma}{P}d\theta^2 + \frac{P}{\Sigma}\sin^2\theta(adv - \rho d\tilde{\phi})^2.$$

Misner gluing along suitable Killing vector field.

$$\xi = \partial_v + b\partial_{\tilde{\phi}}, \quad b = \text{const.}$$

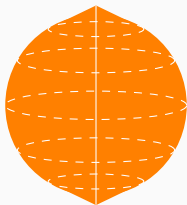
$$\xi(\tau) = 1, \quad \xi(x^i) = 0 \quad , (x^\mu) = (\tau, x^i) = (v, r, \theta, \hat{\phi} := -bv + \tilde{\phi})$$

$$\xi = \partial_\tau$$

$$(v, r, \theta, \hat{\phi}) \in I_\tau \times \mathbb{R} \times [0, \pi) \times I_{\hat{\phi}}$$

## ... removing the conical singularity ...

Consider  $q$  pullbacked to  $r = \text{const.}$



$$\lim_{\rightarrow \text{poles}} \frac{\text{circumference}}{\text{radius}} = 2\pi$$

### Continuity condition

$$P(0) = \frac{P(\pi)}{|1 - 4lb|}, \quad P = 1 + \frac{4}{3}\Lambda a l \cos \theta + \frac{\Lambda}{3} a^2 \cos^2 \theta.$$

The condition is  $r$  independent!  $\varphi = P(0) \hat{\phi}$

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- ▷  $l = 0$  - all Killing vectors are fine.
- ▷  $l \neq 0, a\Lambda = 0 \implies b = 0 \xi = \partial_t$ .
- ▷  $l \neq 0$  - two "principal" Killing vector fields.

$$b_+ = \frac{2a\Lambda}{3 + a^2\Lambda + 4al\Lambda}, \quad b_- = \frac{3 + a^2\Lambda}{2l(3 + a^2\Lambda + 4al\Lambda)}$$

$$\xi_+ = \partial_v + b_+ \partial_{\bar{\phi}}, \quad \xi_- = \partial_v + b_- \partial_{\bar{\phi}}$$

## ... gluing metrics.

$$\omega = d\tau - \frac{(1 - Ab)\Sigma dr + (AQ(1 - Ab) - P\sin^2\theta\rho(a - b\rho)) d\varphi/P(0)}{Q(1 - Ab)^2 - P\sin^2\theta(a - b\rho)^2}.$$

where  $Ad\phi = (a\sin^2\theta + 4l\sin^2\frac{1}{2}\theta)d\phi$  is well defined at  $\theta = 0$ , fails at  $\theta = \pi$ .

$$\omega_\varphi(r, \theta = 0) = 0, \quad \omega_\varphi(r, \theta = \pi) = -\frac{4l}{1 - 4lf} \frac{1}{P(0)} = \operatorname{sgn}(1 - 4lb) \frac{-4l}{P(\pi)}.$$

$\omega_\phi(r, \theta = \pi)$  is **r-independent!**

$$\tau = \tau' + \frac{4l}{P(\pi)}\varphi'$$

We have continuity. What about smoothness? Check by inspection.

# (Projectively) non-singular Killing horizons

## Projective non-singularity

$\iff$  space of null generators in non-singular.

We want  $S^3 \xrightarrow{\Pi} S^2$ , where  $S^2$  is a space of null generators.

Necessarily  $b = \frac{a}{r_0^2 + (a+l)^2}$ , i.e. the Killing vector field developing a horizon

- ▷  $\Lambda = \frac{3}{a^2 + 2l^2 + 2r_0^2} \Rightarrow$  only de Sitter spacetimes
- ▷ At most 1 horizon is non-singular - the one with  $r = r_0$
- ▷ Always outer-/innermost - but possibly with  $m < 0$  due to symmetry  $(r, m) \leftrightarrow (-r, -m)$
- ▷ Always non-extremal.

# Cosmological interpretation

Can we get

$$ds^2 = -\frac{\Sigma}{-Q} dr^2 + \frac{-Q}{\Sigma} (dt - A d\phi)^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{P} d\theta^2 + \frac{P}{\Sigma} \sin^2 \theta (adt - \rho d\phi)^2$$

such that  $Q < 0$  and  $l^2 > a^2$  (no curvature singularity)?

Yes: for  $\Lambda > 0$ , sufficiently small  $m$  and some inequalities on  $a$ ,  $l$ ,  $\Lambda$ .  
Inhomogeneous, non-extendable cosmological models without CTC.



# Scri and principal killing vector fields

Geometry of the scri:

$$\frac{\Lambda}{3} \left( (1 - bA) d\tau - \frac{A}{P(0)} d\varphi \right)^2 + \frac{d\theta^2}{P} + P \sin^2 \theta \left( b d\tau + \frac{d\varphi}{P(0)} \right)^2$$

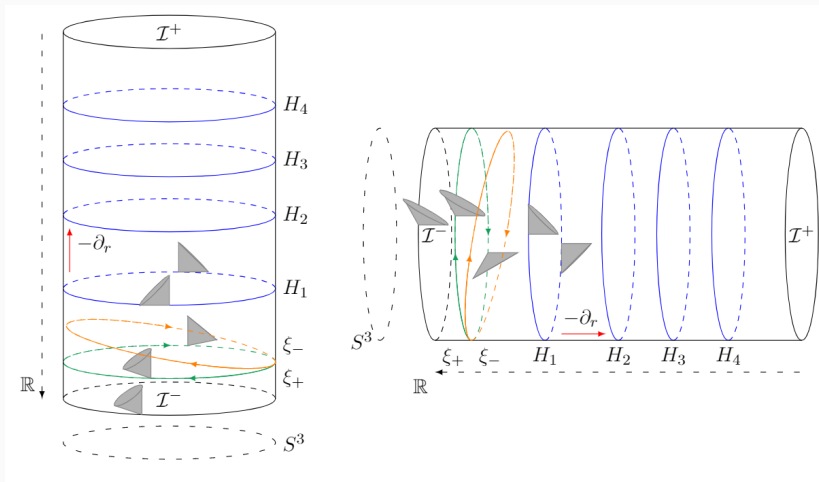
**What about  $\xi_-$  ?**

For Taub-NUT  $\xi_+ = \tau$ ,  $\xi_- = \partial_v + \frac{1}{2l} \partial_{\bar{\phi}}$ .

Left and right invariant fields.

In general:  $\xi_+$  and  $\xi_-$  define the same orbits and thus equivalent gluings.

# Global structure $\Lambda > 0$ || $\Lambda < 0$



## Accelerated KN(a)dS

Physical parameters  $(a, m, l, \Lambda, \alpha)$ .  $\alpha$  - acceleration.  $\omega$  residual gauge.

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{F^2} \left\{ -\frac{Q}{\Sigma} (dt - Ad\phi)^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{Q} dr^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{P} d\theta^2 + \frac{P}{\Sigma} \sin^2 \theta (adt - \rho d\phi)^2 \right\}$$

$$F = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\omega} (l + a \cos \theta) r, \quad P = 1 - a_3 \cos \theta - a_4 \cos^2 \theta,$$

$$Q = \omega^2 k - 2mr + \epsilon r^2 - 2 \frac{\alpha n}{\omega} r^3 - (\alpha k + \frac{1}{3} \Lambda) r^4,$$

$$a_3 = 2 \frac{\alpha am}{\omega} - \alpha^2 alk - \frac{4}{3} \Lambda al, \quad a_4 = -\alpha^2 a^2 k - \frac{1}{3} \Lambda a^2,$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{\omega^2 k}{(a^2 - l^2)} + 4 \frac{\alpha lm}{\omega} - (a^2 + 3l^2)(\alpha^2 k + \Lambda/3),$$

$$n = \frac{\omega^2 kl}{(a^2 - l^2)} - \frac{\alpha m(a^2 - l^2)}{\omega} + (a^2 - l^2)(\alpha^2 k + \Lambda/3),$$

$$k = \frac{1 + 2\alpha lm/\omega - l^2 \Lambda}{3\alpha^2 l^2 + \omega^2/(a^2 - l^2)}.$$

# Accelerated KN(a)dS

Useful gauge:  $\omega = \frac{a^2 + l^2}{a}$ .

Many results still hold (bundle structure, gluing, equivalence of principal vector fields ... ).

Continuity condition for  $l = 0$  reduces to  $m\alpha = 0$ , but with  $l \neq 0$  accelerated Kerr-NUT-(anti-) de Sitter spacetime can be without conical singularity.

# The end

Thank you for your attention!