

Diffeomorphism Covariant Dynamics in Quantum Kantowski-Sachs

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Kantowski-Sachs as a black hole interior model

- Kantowski-Sachs: homogeneous model with spatial section of topology $\approx S^2 \times \mathbb{R}$.
- Metric:

$$ds^2 = -N^2 d\tau^2 + \frac{p_b^2}{|p_c| L_0^2} dx^2 + |p_c| d\Omega^2 \quad (1)$$

- Relates to Schwarzschild interior metric by

$$|p_c| = \tau^2, \quad p_b^2 = L_0^2 \left(\frac{2m}{\tau} - 1 \right) \tau^2, \quad N^2 = \left(\frac{2m}{\tau} - 1 \right)^{-1}. \quad (2)$$

Kantowski-Sachs in Ashtekar-Barbero variables

■ Ashtekar-Barbero variables:

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_a^1 &= -b \sin \theta \partial_a \phi & , & & E_1^a &= -\frac{p_b}{L_0} \phi^a \\
 A_a^2 &= b \partial_a \theta & , & & E_2^a &= \frac{p_b}{L_0} \sin \theta \theta^a \\
 A_a^3 &= \frac{c}{L_0} \partial_a x + \cos \theta \partial_a \phi & , & & E_3^a &= p_c \sin \theta x^a
 \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

■ Symplectic Structure

$$\{b, p_b\} = G\gamma \quad , \quad \{c, p_c\} = 2G\gamma \tag{4}$$

■ Hamiltonian Constraint (for an arbitrary lapse N)

$$H_{c\ell} = -\frac{8\pi N}{\gamma^2} \frac{\text{sgn}(p_c)}{\sqrt{|p_c|}} [(b^2 + \gamma^2)p_b + 2bcp_c] \tag{5}$$

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