

# *Gauss-Bonnet Gravity: Singularity Analysis*

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# *I. Introduction & Motivation*

- One of the important features of GR is the existence of spacetime singularities.
- Singularity theorems (Hawking and Penrose) assured the existence of singularities for any gravitational system starting from generic matter distribution with **some energy conditions**.
- In the absence of a canonical framework for quantum gravity several authors tried to smooth out these singularities through modifying the EoS or Einstein field equations near singularities!
- E.g., for cosmological singularities we have several choices and it is very difficult to justify the use of a specific EoS or theory of modified gravity.
- *Here we constrain the discussion to two modifications of GR, one is produced by Weyl/conformal anomaly and the other is a curvature correction inspired by string theory, or Gauss-Bonnet gravity.*
- Therefore, it is natural to ask; *Can these higher curvature theories change the nature of some known singular solutions, namely, FLRW and Schwarzschild solutions?*

## II. Cosmology with Weyl anomaly

- Consider a theory with massless fields  $(\phi, \psi, A_\mu)$  coupled to a background metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$ .
- A classical theory is called Weyl/Conformally invariant if its action is invariant under Weyl transformation

$$g'_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu}, \quad \psi' = \Omega^d \psi, \quad d \text{ is the conformal weight}$$

- Consequently, we have  $T_{\mu}{}^{\mu} = 0$ .
- Quantum one-loop effects breaks this symmetry. The trace takes the form

$$\langle T_{\mu}{}^{\mu} \rangle = c_1 E_4 + c_2 I_4 + c_3 \square R. \quad *$$

- The symmetry is anomalous and  $c$ 's are spin-dependent coefficients,  $R$  is the Ricci scalar,  $E_4$  is the Euler density and  $I_4$  is the Weyl scalar.

$$E_4 = \frac{1}{64} \left( R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R^2 \right)$$

$$I_4 = -\frac{1}{64} \left( R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} - 2R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3} R^2 \right).$$

\* D. Capper and Duff, *Nouvo Cimento Soc. Ital. Fis.* 23A,173 (1974); M. Duff, *Nucl. Phys.* B125, 334 (1977)

## II. Cosmology with Weyl anomaly

### FLRW Cosmology:

- Consider a generic conformal field theory of scalars, spinors and gauge fields coupled to a flat FLRW metric

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a(t)^2 [dr^2 + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)]$$

- Here we are interested in regularization-independent back-reaction ( $\alpha=0$ ) of these fields on the geometry at early times. Einstein field equations is given by

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} + \kappa \beta \left[ \frac{R^2}{12}g_{\mu\nu} - R^{\rho\sigma}R_{\rho\mu\sigma\nu} \right]$$

- where  $T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} = \text{diag}(\rho, P, P, P)$ , *EoS consistent with conformal symmetry*  $P=1/3 \rho$ ,
- $\beta = \frac{-1}{2880\pi^2} (n_s + 11 n_f + 62 n_v) < 0$ , for the above field theory.

## II. Cosmology with Weyl anomaly: FLRW cosmology

- Two independent field eqn.'s are

$$\kappa\rho - 3[1 + \kappa\beta H^2] H^2 = 0$$

$$2\ddot{a}a(1 + 2\kappa\beta H^2) + a^2 H^2(1 - \kappa\beta H^2) + \kappa a^2 P = 0,$$

- The last eqn. can take the form

$$\dot{H}(1 + 2\kappa\beta H^2) = -\frac{\kappa}{2}(\rho + P),$$

- Solving the first eqn. for  $H$ , we get

$$H = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{3}\beta\kappa^2\rho}}{2\beta\kappa}}.$$

- $\beta < 0$  implies that density and Hubble rate have max. values and scale factor has a min.

## II. Cosmology with Weyl anomaly: Solution

- Taking  $t = \tau \sqrt{2\beta\kappa}$ ,  $a/a_c = \eta$ , and  $a_c = 4\beta\kappa^2 c/3$ .
- Soln. of the cosmological eqns is

$$\rho \sim 1/\eta^4$$

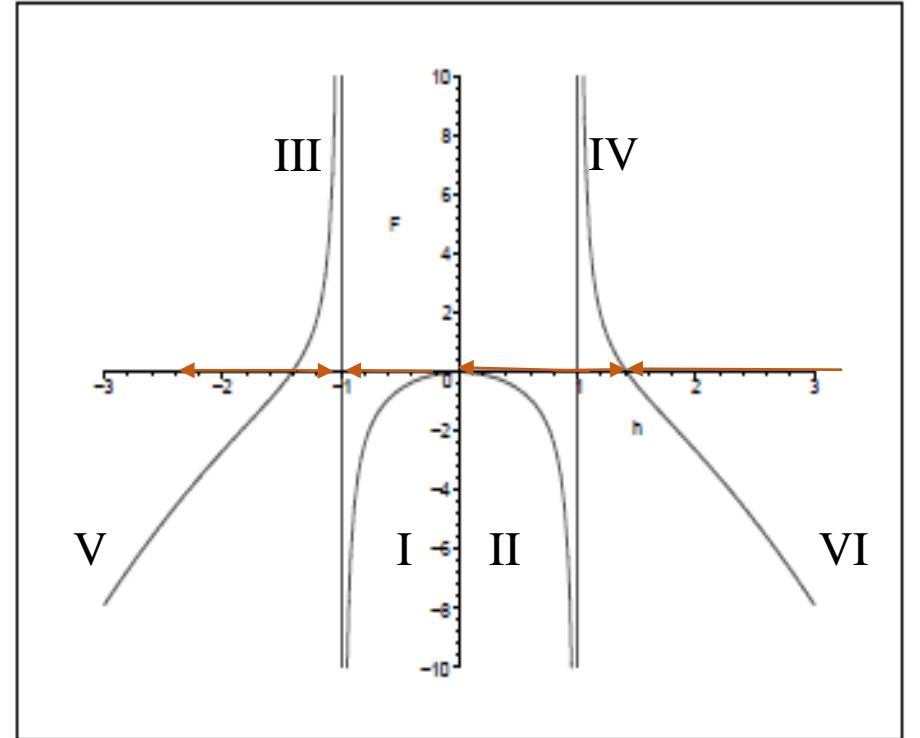
$$\tau + c_1 = \pm \left[ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \tanh^{-1} \left( 2^{-1/2} \sqrt{1 \mp \sqrt{1 - \eta^{-4}}} \right) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1 \mp \sqrt{1 - \eta^{-4}}}} \right]$$

$$H = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{3}\beta\kappa^2\rho}}{2\beta\kappa}}$$

$$\dot{H} = -2 \left( \frac{1 + \kappa\beta H^2}{1 + 2\kappa\beta H^2} \right) H^2$$

$$R \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$$

(remember, GR FLRW soln. has  $R \sim \frac{1}{t^2}$ )



$dh/dt = F$  with  $h$

### *III. Strength of a singularity*

#### *Penrose-Hawking Theorems:*

- In this context, geodesic incompleteness is the criterion for a singular spacetime.
- Penrose-Hawking theorems show geodesics inextendibility of spacetimes with certain energy conditions and global properties.
- Energy conditions are needed to show gravitational focusing through Raychaudhuri's eqn.

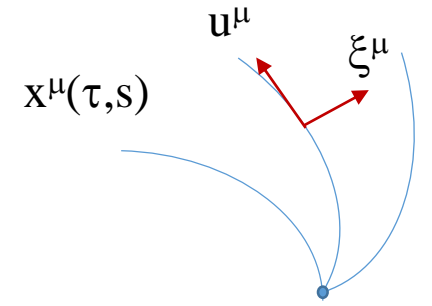
$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} = -R_{lk}u^l u^k - \frac{\theta^2}{3}, \quad (\text{expansion parameter } \theta = -3H, \text{ for } FLRW)$$

- Formation of acoustic (or conjugate points) is an essential ingredient in singularity theorems, where  $\theta \rightarrow -\infty$ .
- In our model  $H = (2\beta\kappa)^{-1/2}$  at the singularity, therefore, this is not a singularity a la Penrose-Hawking.



### III. Strength of a singularity

Tipler's and Krolak's criteria for a strong singularity:



- Soln. of geodesic deviation eqn. are called Jacobi fields

$$\frac{D^2 \xi^\mu}{d\tau^2} = R^\mu_{\alpha\beta\gamma} u^\alpha u^\beta \xi^\gamma$$

$$u^\mu = \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial \tau}, \quad \xi^\mu = \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial s}$$

- *Tipler's criterion for a strong singularity*; a singularity is called strong if the volume spanned by three orthonormal Jacobi fields shrunk to zero size at the singularity.
- *Krolak's criterion for a strong singularity* is similar but based on the rate of change of the volume w.r.t. affine parameter instead of the volume at the singularity.

### III. Strength of a singularity

- The singularity is Tipler strong for a null geodesic iff the following integral diverges

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \int_0^\lambda d\lambda' \int_0^{\lambda'} d\lambda'' R_{ab} u^a u^b,$$

- But the singularity is Krolark strong iff the following integral diverges

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \int_0^\lambda d\lambda' R_{ab} u^a u^b,$$

- For our spacetime close to  $t=0$ , (int. cond.  $\lambda_0=0$  at  $t=0$ ) solving geodesic eqn.'s we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dt}{d\lambda} &= \pm \sqrt{s + \frac{v^2}{a^2}} = g(t), \\ \frac{dx^i}{d\lambda} &= \frac{v^i}{a^2} = f^i(\lambda), \end{aligned} \quad \longrightarrow \quad a(\lambda) = a_0 [1 + \chi H_0 \lambda] + O(\lambda^2), \quad t(\lambda) = \chi \lambda + O(\lambda^2).$$

- Now evaluating both integrals in the limit  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ , we find that **both integrals vanishes**.

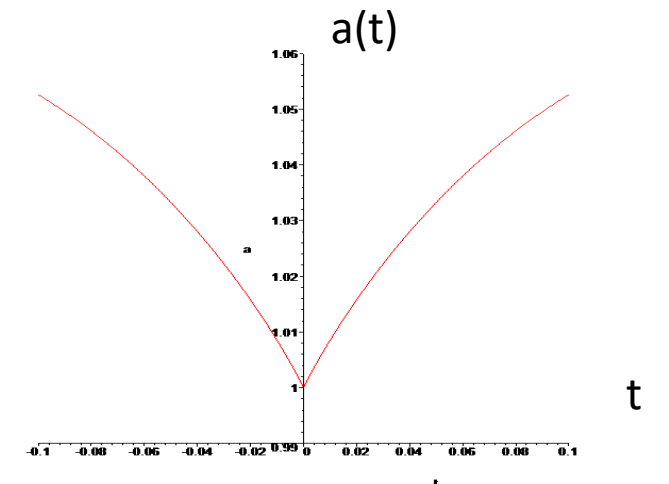
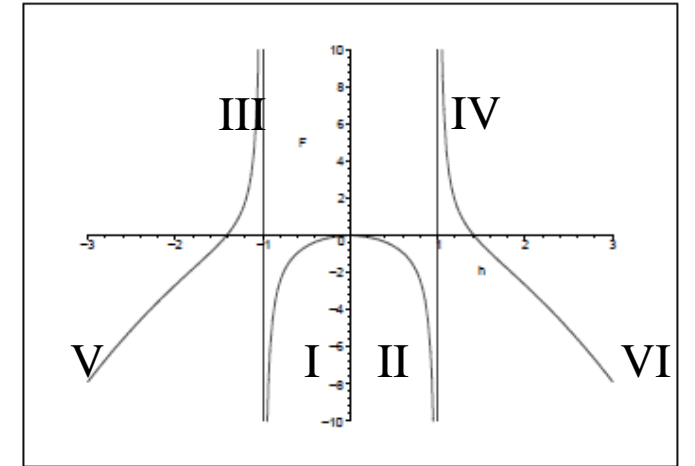
## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing

### Geodesic extension:

- Geodesic equations for FLRW metric are

$$\frac{dt}{d\lambda} = \pm \sqrt{s + \frac{v^2}{a^2}} = g(t), \quad \frac{dx^i}{d\lambda} = \frac{v^i}{a^2} = f^i(\lambda),$$

- where  $s$  and  $v^i$  are integration constants and  $\lambda$  is a non-spacelike affine parameter.  $s = 1, 0$  for timelike and null affine parameter.
- Now joining the two branches (soln's for  $t \geq 0$  and  $t < 0$ ) together leads to following scale factor
 
$$a(t) = a_0 \left[ 1 + |H_0 t| - \frac{2}{3} |H_0 t|^{3/2} \right] + O(t^2).$$
- One can show that it is possible to extend geodesics beyond this singularity, in fact, beyond this type of singularities (Sudden singularities).



## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing: geodesic extension

- Now integrating geodesic eqn.'s such that  $t=0$  at  $\lambda=0$ , one obtains

$$t(\lambda) = \chi \lambda - \text{sign}(\lambda) \frac{H_0 v^2}{2a_0^2} \lambda^2 + O(\lambda^3). \quad x^i(\lambda) = x_0^i + \frac{v^i}{a_0^2} \lambda + \text{sign}(\lambda) \frac{H_0 v^2}{a_0^2} \chi \lambda^2 + O(\lambda^3).$$

Notice:

- These geodesics are defined for all values of  $\lambda$ . Therefore, geodesics are complete and nonspacelike test objects does not get destroyed crossing singularity.
- To have a consistent gravitational description it is not enough to have a geodesic extension, we have to check the consistency of this extension with the field equations.

## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing

### Junction conditions for effective higher-curvature gravity:

- Here we use Gauss-Codazzi equations to derive junction condition for this higher-curvature gravity.
- Let us start with Gauss's normal coordinates near a hypersurface  $\Sigma$  with metric  $\tilde{g}$ ;

$$ds^2 = \epsilon dw^2 + \tilde{g}_{ij} dx^i dx^j,$$

where  $n^\mu$  is a normal vector to  $\Sigma$  with  $n \cdot n = \epsilon = -1$ , or  $1$ .

- **Extrinsic curvature** is defined as  $K_{ij} = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}_{ij,w}$
- Gauss-Codazzi equations reads

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 R^l_{ijk} & = & \tilde{R}^l_{ijk} + \epsilon (K_{ij} K_k^l - K_{ik} K_j^l) \\
 R^w_{ijk} & = & -\epsilon (K_{ij|k} - K_{ik|j}) \\
 R^w_{iwj} & = & \epsilon (K_{ij,w} + K_{il} K^l_k).
 \end{array}
 \quad \longrightarrow \quad
 \begin{array}{lcl}
 R^i_j & = & \tilde{R}^i_j + \epsilon (K^i_{j,w} - K K^i_j) \\
 R^w_j & = & -\epsilon (K^i_{j|i} - K_{|j}) \\
 R^w_w & = & \epsilon (K_{,w} - tr K^2),
 \end{array}$$

where  $K = K^i_i$  and  $tr K^2 = K_{ij} K^{ij}$ .

## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing:

Junction conditions for effective higher-curvature gravity:

- Now we want to express everything in terms of  $K_{ij}$  and its derivatives. Field eqn.'s

$$G_{\mu\nu} + H_{\mu\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)}, \quad H_{\mu\nu} = -\kappa\beta \left[ \frac{R^2}{12} g_{\mu\nu} - R^{\rho\sigma} R_{\rho\mu\sigma\nu} \right].$$

- Let us start with Einstein tensor;

$$G^w_w = -\frac{1}{2}\tilde{R} + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon [K^2 - \text{tr}K^2]$$

$$G^w_i = -\epsilon [K_i^m{}_{|m} - K_{|i}]$$

$$G^i_j = \tilde{G}^i_j + \epsilon \left[ (K^i_j - \delta^i_j K)_{,w} - K K^i_j + \frac{1}{2}\delta^i_j K^2 + \frac{1}{2}\delta^i_j \text{tr}K^2 \right]$$

- Now for joining two spacetimes at the hypersurface  $w=0$ , we must have a continuous  $\tilde{g}_{ij}$ .
- Integrating the above eqn.'s one obtains

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} G^w_w dw = [G^w_w] = 0$$

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} G^i_j dw = [G^i_j] = \epsilon ([K^i_j] - \delta^i_j [K])$$

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} G^w_i dw = [G^w_i] = 0$$

$$\text{or } [K_{ij}] \neq 0$$

## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing:

Junction conditions for effective higher-curvature gravity:

- Now let us express  $H_{\mu\nu}$  in terms of  $K_{ij}$ ;

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^w_w &= \epsilon \beta \kappa \hat{K}_{ij,w} \tilde{R}^{ij} + \epsilon^2 \beta \kappa \left[ \hat{K}_{ij,w} \hat{K}_{,w}^{ij} + \hat{K}_{,w}^{ij} \left( \frac{4}{3} K \hat{K}_{ij} + \hat{K}_i^m \hat{K}_{jm} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \hat{K}_{ij,w} \left( 3K \hat{K}^{ij} + 2\hat{K}^{jr} \hat{K}_r^i \right) \right], \\
 H^w_i &= \epsilon^2 \beta \kappa \left[ \hat{K}_{ij,w} \left( K^{\hat{m}j}{}_{|m} - \frac{2}{3} \hat{K}^j_{|} \right) - \hat{K}_{,w}^{rs} \hat{K}_{ri|s} - \hat{K}_{,w}^{rs} \hat{K}_{rs|i} \right], \\
 H^i_j &= -\frac{1}{3} \epsilon \beta \kappa \left[ K_{,w} \tilde{R} \delta^i_j - K_{,w} \tilde{R}^i_j - 3 \hat{K}^{rs}{}_{,w} \tilde{R}_{rjs} \right] + \epsilon^2 \beta \kappa \left[ \frac{K_{,w}}{3} \left( 3 \hat{K}^i_{j,w} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. - 2 \hat{K}^{ir} \hat{K}_{rj} - \frac{5}{3} K \hat{K}^i_j - \frac{4}{9} K^2 \delta^i_j \right) - \hat{K}^i_{j,w} \left( \frac{2}{9} K^2 + tr \hat{K}^2 \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \hat{K}^{rs}{}_{,w} \left( \hat{K}_{rj} \hat{K}^i_s - \hat{K}_{rs} \hat{K}^i_j - \frac{\delta^i_j}{3} K \hat{K}_{rs} \right) + \hat{K}^s_{j,w} \hat{K}^i_s K \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing:

Junction conditions for effective higher-curvature gravity:

- Since  $H_w^w$  and  $H_i^w$  depends quadratically on  $K_{ij,w}$  one might choose  $[K_{ij}]=0$ , but this doesn't allow for surface layer to form.
- It is more convenient to split  $K_{ij}$  into a trace and traceless part (this splitting is adopted in F(R) theories for junction condition too);

$$\hat{K}_{ij} = K_{ij} - \frac{\tilde{g}_{ij}}{3} K.$$

- Now the conditions reads

$$[\hat{K}_{ij}] = 0, \quad [K] \neq 0.$$

- These conditions leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa [\mathbf{T}^w_w] &= [\mathbf{G}^w_w] + [\mathbf{H}^w_w] = 0, & \mathbf{S}_j^i &= \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} dw K_{,w} \left[ \frac{\epsilon}{3} \left( \beta \kappa [\tilde{R}_j^i - \tilde{R} \delta^i_j] - 2\delta^i_j \right) + \epsilon^2 \beta \kappa \left( \hat{K}_{j,w}^i - \frac{4}{27} K^2 \delta^i_j \right) \right] \\ \kappa [\mathbf{T}^w_i] &= [\mathbf{G}^w_i] + [\mathbf{H}^w_i] = 0, \\ \kappa [\mathbf{T}^i_j] &= [\mathbf{G}^i_j] + [\mathbf{H}^i_j] = \mathbf{S}_j^i \end{aligned}$$



## *IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing:*

Junction conditions for effective higher-derivative gravity:

- The extended spacetime scale factor is (for all times)

$$a(t) = a_0 [1 + |H_0 t| - \frac{2}{3}|H_0 t|^{3/2}] + O(t^2),$$

where,  $w = t$ ,  $\varepsilon = -1$  and  $\tilde{g}_{ij} = a(t)^2 \delta_{ij}$  and

$$\hat{K}_{ij} = 0, \quad K = -3H(t), \quad K_{,t} = -3\dot{H}(t).$$

- Calculating  $S_{ij}$

$$\begin{aligned} S_j^i &= \lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} dt K_{,t} \left[ \frac{2}{3} - \frac{4\beta\kappa}{27} K^2 \right] \delta_j^i \\ &= -4H_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{H(0)^2}{H_0^2} \right] \delta_j^i = 0 \end{aligned}$$

## V. Gauss-Bonnet Cosmology

- **Gauss-Bonnet gravity in 5 dimensions** has the action

$$I = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} [R + \alpha L_2] \quad L_2 = R_{ABCD}R^{ABCD} - 4R_{AB}R^{AB} + R^2.$$

- This is the most general two-derivative gravity theory in 5 dimensions. Also, it is ghost-free when expanded about flat space.
- Let us start with FLRW cosmology in GB gravity

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a(t)^2 [dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 + d\xi^2]$$

- Einstein field eqns. reduces to

$$\rho = \frac{6 H^2}{\kappa} [1 + 2\alpha H^2]$$
$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{[\kappa P - 3 H^2]}{(1 + 4\alpha H^2)}$$

## V. Gauss-Bonnet Cosmology

- After rescaling “H” and “t” the system reduces to

$$\frac{dh}{d\tau} = -\frac{h^2(2-h^2)}{1-h^2}, \quad \frac{\dot{\eta}(\tau)}{\eta(\tau)} = \gamma h(\tau)$$

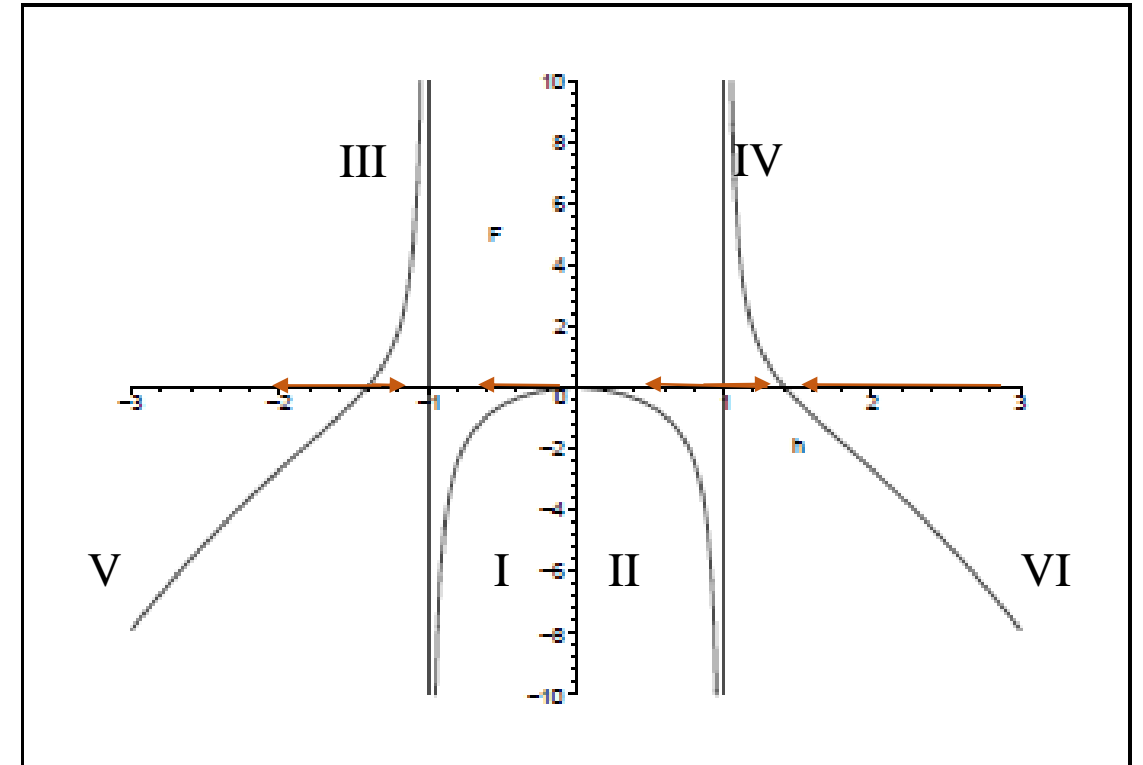
- Which has the following soln.

$$t = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{h(\tau)} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{h(\tau)}{\sqrt{2}} \right) + C_1.$$

$$h(\tau) = \pm \sqrt{1 \mp \sqrt{1 - \eta^{-3\bar{\omega}}}}.$$

- Joining two region I&II

$$\eta(\tau) = \left[ 1 + \gamma|\tau| - \frac{2}{3}\gamma|\tau|^{3/2} + O(\tau^2) \right]$$



*dh/dτ = F versus h & different branches of solutions*

## V. Gauss-Bonnet Cosmology

- Geodesics equations are

$$\frac{dt}{d\lambda} = \pm \sqrt{s + \frac{v^2}{a^2}} = g(t), \quad \frac{dx^i}{d\lambda} = \frac{v^i}{a^2} = f^i(\lambda),$$

- Solving these eqns. We get

$$t(\lambda) = \chi\lambda - \text{sign}(\lambda) \frac{v^2 \gamma H_0}{2a_0^2} \lambda^2 + O(\lambda^2) \quad x^i(\lambda) = x_0^i + \frac{v^i}{a_0^2} \lambda - \text{sign}(\lambda) \frac{v^i \gamma \chi H_0}{a_0^2} \lambda^2 + O(\lambda^2)$$

- These geodesics are defined for all values of  $\lambda$ . Therefore, geodesics are complete and non-spacelike test objects do not get destroyed upon crossing the singularity.
- To have a consistent gravitational description it is not enough to have a geodesic extension, we have to check the consistency of this extension with the field equations.

## V. Gauss-Bonnet Cosmology

- Junction conditions for GB gravity, where  $K_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu w}$ \*

$$H_{\mu\nu} = 2 \left[ R_{\mu\lambda\sigma\rho} R_{\nu}^{\lambda\sigma\rho} - 2R_{\mu\sigma\nu\rho} R^{\sigma\rho} - 2R_{\mu\sigma} R_{\nu}^{\sigma} + RR_{\mu\nu} \right] \\ - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \left( R_{\sigma\rho\alpha\beta} R^{\sigma\rho\alpha\beta} - 4R_{\alpha\beta} R^{\alpha\beta} + R^2 \right)$$

$$H^{\mu}_{\nu} = 4 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left\{ K K^{\mu}_{\alpha} K^{\alpha}_{\nu} - K^{\mu}_{\alpha} K^{\alpha\beta} K_{\beta\nu} + \frac{1}{2} K^{\mu}_{\nu} Tr(K^2) - \frac{1}{2} K^{\mu}_{\nu} K^2 \right\} \\ + 4 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left\{ -\delta^{\mu}_{\nu} \frac{1}{2} K Tr(K^2) + \delta^{\mu}_{\nu} \frac{1}{3} Tr(K^3) + \delta^{\mu}_{\nu} \frac{1}{6} K^3 \right\} \\ + 4 \left( -{}^4 R^{\mu}_{\alpha\nu}{}^{\beta} \frac{\partial K^{\alpha}_{\beta}}{\partial w} - {}^4 R^{\alpha}_{\nu} \frac{\partial K^{\mu}_{\alpha}}{\partial w} - {}^4 R^{\alpha\mu} \frac{\partial K_{\nu\alpha}}{\partial w} \right) \\ + 4 \left( {}^4 R^{\mu}_{\nu} \frac{\partial K}{\partial w} + \frac{1}{2} {}^4 R \frac{\partial K^{\mu}_{\nu}}{\partial w} + \delta^{\mu}_{\nu} {}^4 R^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial K_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial w} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^{\mu}_{\nu} {}^4 R \frac{\partial K}{\partial w} \right) \\ + \dots,$$

Junction condition  
 $[K_{\mu\nu}] \neq 0$

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} H^{\mu}_{\nu} dw = [\mathbf{H}^{\mu}_{\nu}].$$

$$Tr(K^3) \equiv K^{\alpha}_{\beta} K^{\beta}_{\gamma} K^{\gamma}_{\alpha}$$

\* N. Deruelle and T. Dolezel, Phys.Rev. D62 (2000) 103502

## *V. Gauss-Bonnet Cosmology*

- The junction conditions are

$$\kappa \mathbf{T}_{\mu\nu} = [K_{\nu}^{\mu}] - \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} [K] + \mathbf{H}_{\mu\nu} = 4H_0 a_0^2$$

which are satisfied by the two solutions.

## VI. Gauss-Bonnet Black Hole

- GB gravity has a Schwarzschild-like solution that has been introduced by Boulware and Deser in 1985.

$$ds^2 = -f(r)dt^2 + f(r)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2 \left( d\theta^2 + \sin(\theta)^2 d\phi^2 + \cos(\theta)^2 d\psi^2 \right)$$

- Where  $f(r)$  has two branches

$$f(r) = \frac{r^2 + 4\alpha \pm \sqrt{r^4 + 16\alpha m}}{4\alpha}$$

- The “-” soln is stable while the “+” is unstable (this was shown by Boulware and Deser). Furthermore, the “-” sign soln. goes to Schwarzschild solution in large radial distance “r” and in the limit that  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$

$$f(r) = 1 - \frac{2m}{r^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^6}\right)$$

## VI. Gauss-Bonnet Black Hole

- We are going to consider the “-” sign soln. for the cases of  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\alpha < 0$ .

Black Hole with  $\alpha > 0$  :

- In this case the horizon is at  $r_h = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{m - \alpha}$
- Curvature is blowing up at  $r^* = 0$ , *Ricci Scalar goes as*

$$R \sim \sqrt{\frac{m}{\alpha}} \frac{1}{r^2}$$

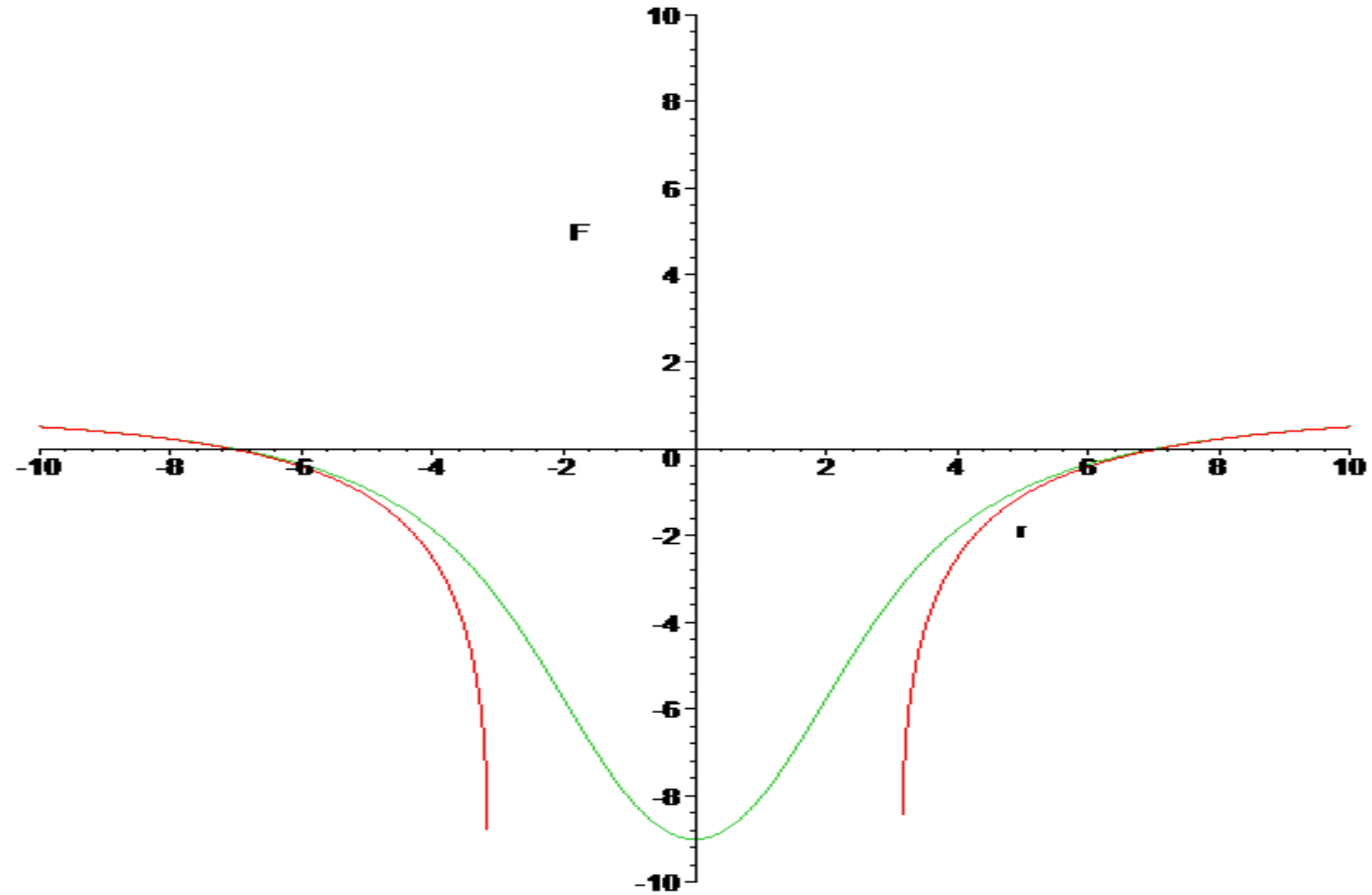
Black Hole with  $\alpha < 0$ :

- The horizon is at  $r_h = \sqrt{2} \sqrt{m + \alpha}$
- Curvature is blowing up at  $r^* = 2(m\alpha)^{1/4}$ , *Ricci Scalar goes as*

$$R \sim \frac{(m\alpha)^{3/8}}{\alpha} (r - 2(m\alpha)^{1/4})^{-3/2}$$



$f(r)$  for  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\alpha < 0$  branches



## VI. Gauss-Bonnet Black Hole

Tipler's and Krolak's criteria for a strong singularity:

• *Krolak's criterion* :

i) For  $\alpha > 0$ , singularity at  $\mathbf{r}^* = \mathbf{0}$ , or at  $\lambda_0 = 0$ ,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \int_0^\lambda d\lambda' R_{ab} u^a u^b = \lim_{\lambda_0 \rightarrow 0} c_3 \lambda_0^{-2}$$

ii) For  $\alpha < 0$ , singularity at  $\mathbf{r}^* = 2(\alpha m)^{1/4}$ , or at  $\lambda = \lambda_0$ ,

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} \int_0^\lambda d\lambda' R_{ab} u^a u^b = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \lambda_0} c_4 (\lambda - \lambda_0)^{-3/2}$$

## VI. Gauss-Bonnet Black Hole

### Penrose-Hawking Theorems:

- Raychaudhuri's eqn.

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\tau} = -R_{lk}u^l u^k - \frac{\theta^2}{3},$$

- Formation of acoustic (or conjugate points) is an essential ingredient in singularity theorems, where  $\theta \rightarrow -\infty$ .
- Calculating  $\theta = \nabla_\alpha u^\alpha$ , for the GB-BH

*i)* For  $\alpha > 0$ , singularity at  $r^* = 0$ ,  $\theta = c_1 r^{-2}$

*ii)* For  $\alpha < 0$ , singularity at  $r^* = 2(\alpha m)^{1/4}$ ,  $\theta = c_2 (r - r^*)^{-1/2}$

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### Junction Conditions:

- Since we have  $K_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^\mu_\nu &= 4 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left\{ K K^\mu_\alpha K^\alpha_\nu - K^\mu_\alpha K^{\alpha\beta} K_{\beta\nu} + \frac{1}{2} K^\mu_\nu \text{Tr}(K^2) - \frac{1}{2} K^\mu_\nu K^2 \right\} \\
 &+ 4 \frac{\partial}{\partial w} \left\{ -\delta^\mu_\nu \frac{1}{2} K \text{Tr}(K^2) + \delta^\mu_\nu \frac{1}{3} \text{Tr}(K^3) + \delta^\mu_\nu \frac{1}{6} K^3 \right\} \\
 &+ 4 \left( -{}^4R^\mu_{\alpha\nu} \frac{\partial K^\alpha_\beta}{\partial w} - {}^4R^\alpha_\nu \frac{\partial K^\mu_\alpha}{\partial w} - {}^4R^{\alpha\mu} \frac{\partial K_{\nu\alpha}}{\partial w} \right) \\
 &+ 4 \left( {}^4R^\mu_\nu \frac{\partial K}{\partial w} + \frac{1}{2} {}^4R \frac{\partial K^\mu_\nu}{\partial w} + \delta^\mu_\nu {}^4R^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial K_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial w} - \frac{1}{2} \delta^\mu_\nu {}^4R \frac{\partial K}{\partial w} \right) \\
 &+ \dots,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Tr}(K^3) \equiv K^\alpha_\beta K^\beta_\gamma K^\gamma_\alpha$$

$$\lim_{\sigma \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\sigma}^{\sigma} H^\mu_\nu dw = [\mathbf{H}^\mu_\nu].$$

- *The junction conditions are not satisfied since  $K_{\mu\nu}$  tensor is divergent. For example in the  $\alpha < 0$ , case with a singularity at  $r^* = 2(\alpha m)^{1/4}$ , one of the components goes as*

$$K_{00} = \frac{C_3}{\sqrt{r - 2(m\alpha)^{1/4}}}$$

## VII. Conclusion

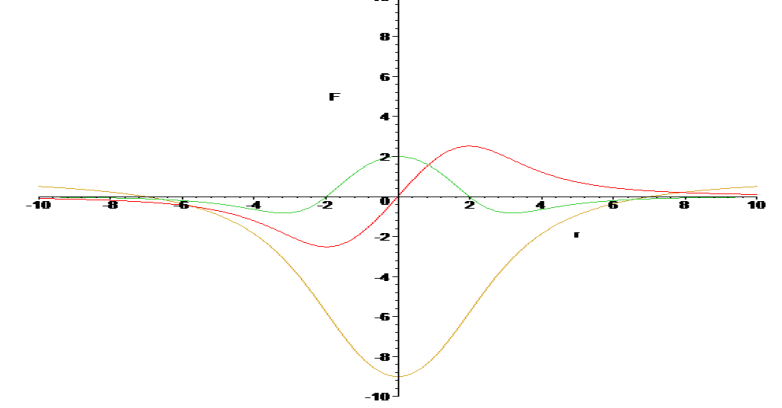
*Here we considered GR corrections due to Weyl anomaly and Gauss Bonnet in modifying FLRW cosmology at early times and showed the following;*

- *Curvature corrections changed the nature of the singularity from big bang to sudden singularity.*
- *In is case the singularity is weak, and it admits geodesic extension.*
- *Joining the two disjoint branches of soln. 's provides us with a  $C^2$  extension to geodesics that leave the spacetime geodesically complete!*
- *Using Gauss-Codazzi eqn. 's one can obtain junction conditions for these higher-curvature gravity which are consistent with the geodesic extension.*
- *For the Gauss-Bonnet theory, the derivative curvature terms were not able to smooth out or modify the singularity Schwarzschild-like solution in a way that enables us to extend geodesics beyond this point.*
- *Higher-curvature gravity theories are important laboratories for understanding singularities more as well as testing our ideas of how to extend geodesics beyond these points.*





## VI. Gauss-Bonnet Black Hole



### Black Hole with $\alpha > 0$

- Geodesics:

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2} g_{AB} \frac{dx^A}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^B}{d\lambda} = -f \dot{t}^2 + f^{-1} \dot{r}^2 + r^2 \dot{\theta}^2 + r^2 \sin(\theta)^2 \dot{\phi}^2 + r^2 \cos(\theta)^2 \dot{\psi}^2$$

- Geodesics equations:

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{t}} = -f \dot{t} = E \quad \frac{r^2}{2} \dot{\phi} = L_\phi \quad \frac{r^2}{2} \dot{\psi} = L_\psi \quad \dot{r} = \sqrt{-f \left( \delta + \frac{L^2}{r^2} \right) + E^2} \quad L^2 = \frac{1}{2} (L_\phi^2 + L_\psi^2)$$

- Around  $r = 0$ , we have

$$\dot{r} = (\sqrt{m/\alpha} - 1) \frac{L}{r} + O(r) \quad f(r) = (1 - \sqrt{m/\alpha}) + \frac{r^2}{4\alpha} + O(r^4)$$

- $\dot{r}$  is not continuous at  $r = 0$ , for  $L \neq 0$ , therefore, no extension is possible!



## II. Cosmology with Weyl anomaly: a mechanical analogue

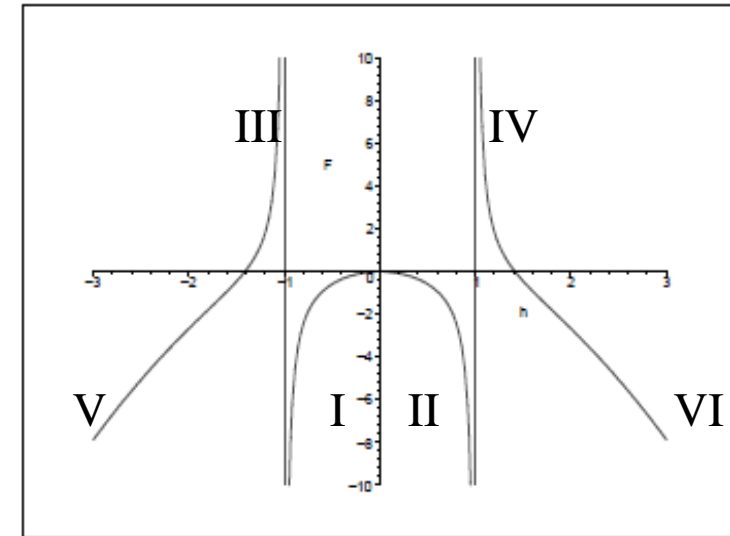
- Notice that the validity of the semi-classical approximation requires that

$$R \ll R_\rho = l_p^{-2}$$

- But

$$H = \pm \sqrt{\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{3}\beta\kappa^2\rho}}{2\beta\kappa}}$$

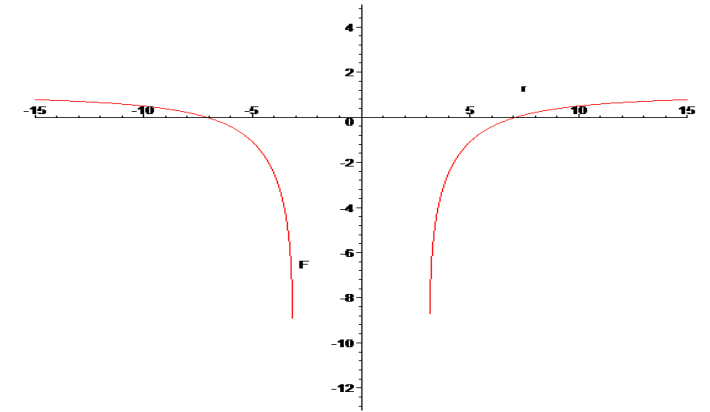
- Therefore, we are considering branches with  $H \leq (2\kappa|\beta|)^{-1/2}$ . \*
- In this model  $H$  and  $\rho$  are bounded, but  $R \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$  near  $t=0$ .
- This singularity is milder than big bang singularity ( $R \sim \frac{1}{t^2}$ ).
- Although the force/acceleration is divergent at  $t=0$ , the mechanical system needs only a finite amount of work to go from the singularity to any closeby point since pot. energy at  $t=0$  is finite.



\* This shows that  $H_{\max} \sim \frac{M_p}{\sqrt{\beta}}$ , is the effective **cutoff scale of gravity** (also predicted by [Antoniadis in arXiv:1410.8845v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1410.8845v2))

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### Black Hole with $\alpha < 0$



- Geodesics: around  $r = 2(m\alpha)^{1/4}$

$$\dot{r} = -C_1 + C_2 \sqrt{r - 2(m\alpha)^{1/4}}$$

$$f(r) = (1 - \sqrt{m/\alpha}) + \sqrt{2} \left(\frac{m}{\alpha}\right)^{3/8} \alpha^{-1/4} \sqrt{r - 2(m\alpha)^{1/4}}$$

- *This fn is continuous but not differentiable at  $r=2(m\alpha)^{1/4}$ , which is saying that one can extend geodesics beyond this point, **but the extension is not unique.***
- *Another difference is that geodesic extensions are not going to be  $C^2$  as in the case for cosmology but at most  $C^1$ .*

## IV. Extending spacetime and singularity crossing: geodesic extension

- For these first-order eqn.'s Picard-Lindelof theorem states that if  $f^i$  and  $g$  are continuous in  $\lambda$  and Lipschitz continuous in  $t$ , there exist a unique soln. for the first-order eqn.'s
- Now joining the two branches (soln's for  $t \geq 0$  and  $t < 0$ ) together leads to following scale factor

$$a(t) = a_0 [1 + |H_0 t| - \frac{2}{3}|H_0 t|^{3/2}] + O(t^2).$$

- **Notice:** First, the above theorem shows the possibility of geodesic extensions for sudden singularities in general.
- Furthermore, the invariance of Raychaudhuri eqn. under  $t \rightarrow -t$ , and  $H \rightarrow -H$  leads to existence of time-reflected soln. which works as a natural extension for FLRW for  $t < 0$ .

## II. Cosmology with Weyl anomaly

- In the special case of conformally flat background,  $g_{\mu\nu} = \chi \eta_{\mu\nu}$ , stress tensor is

$$\langle T(g)^{(ren)}_{\mu\nu} \rangle = T_{\mu\nu}^{(m)} + \alpha H_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} + \beta H_{\mu\nu}^{(3)} \quad *$$

- We are interested in this tensor since it modifies Einstein FE;

$$\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S_{eff}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} = G^{\mu\nu} - \langle T^{\mu\nu} \rangle = 0,$$

where  $T^{(m)}_{\mu\nu}$  is a local (**not geometric**) conserved traceless tensor and  $H^{(1)}$  and  $H^{(3)}$  are given by

$$H_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} = 2R_{;\mu\nu} - 2g_{\mu\nu} \square R - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu} R^2 + 2RR_{\mu\nu}$$

$$H_{\mu\nu}^{(3)} = \frac{1}{12}R^2 g_{\mu\nu} - R^{\rho\sigma} R_{\rho\mu\sigma\nu}$$

- Then the trace is

$$\langle T^{(ren)\mu}_{\mu} \rangle = -6\alpha \square R - \beta (R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{3}R^2),$$

- $\alpha$  is a regularization-scheme dependent (and gauge dependent too). Later we will set  $\alpha = 0$ .

\* J. Brown and N. Cassidy, Phys. Rev. D 15, 2810 (1977)