

Reference metrics on hyperboloidal slices for free evolution

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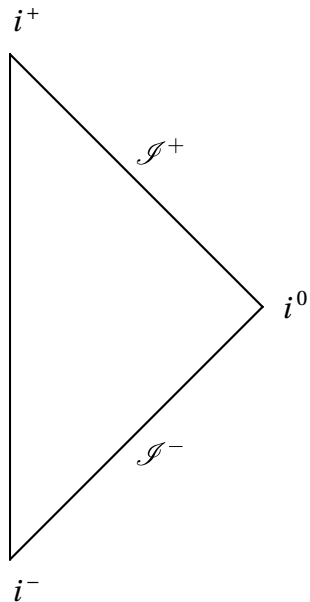


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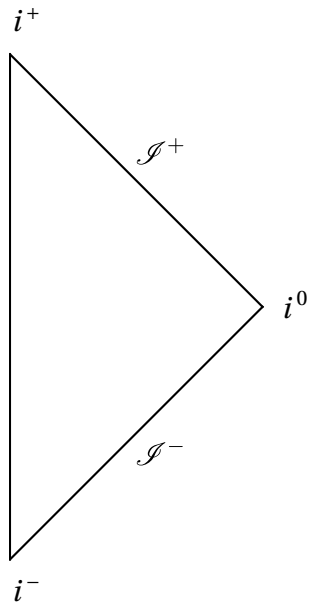
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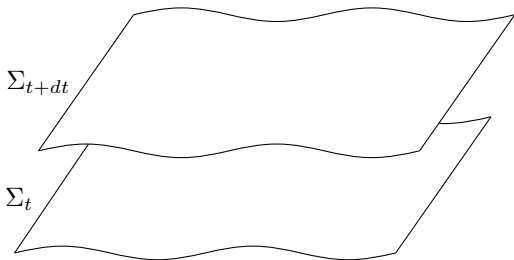


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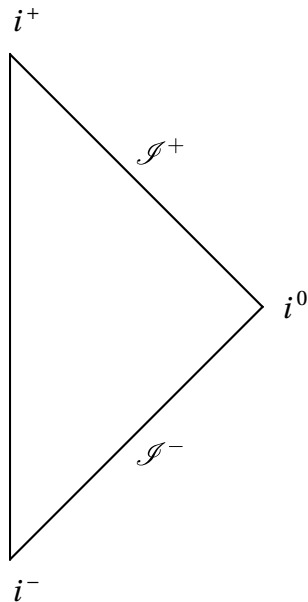
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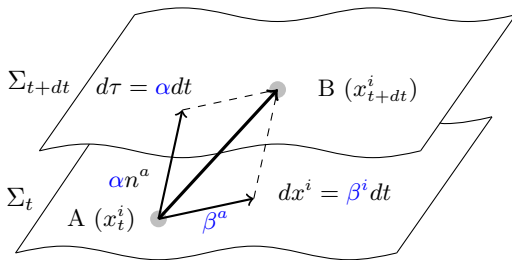
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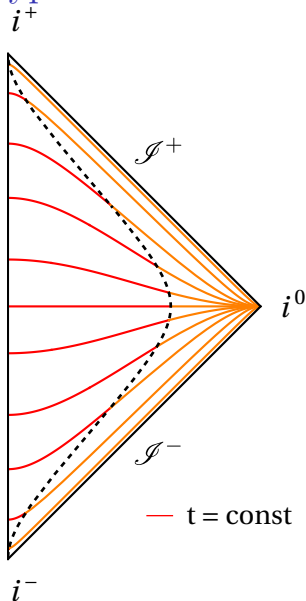
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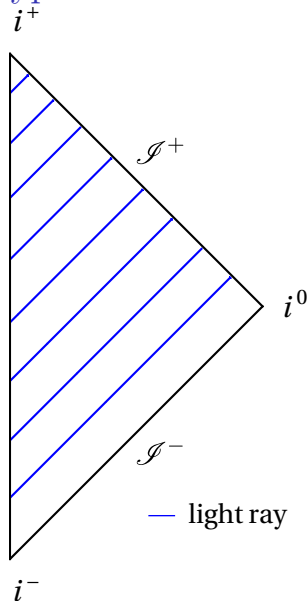
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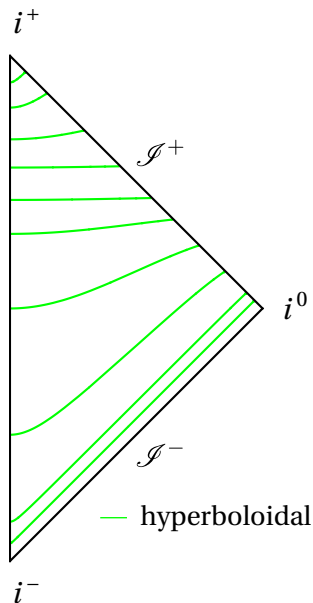
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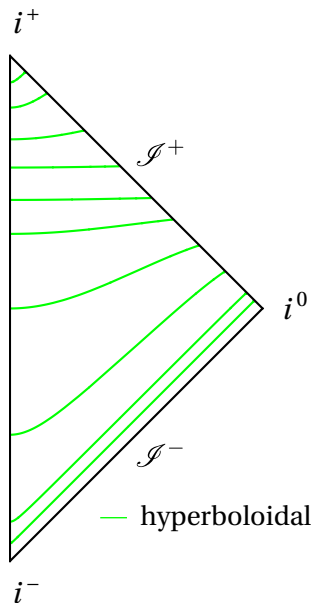
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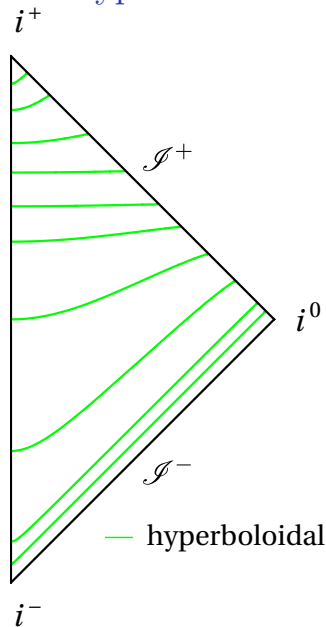
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Advantages of the hyperboloidal approach:

- Slices are **spacelike**.
- Reach \mathcal{I}^+ without approximations.

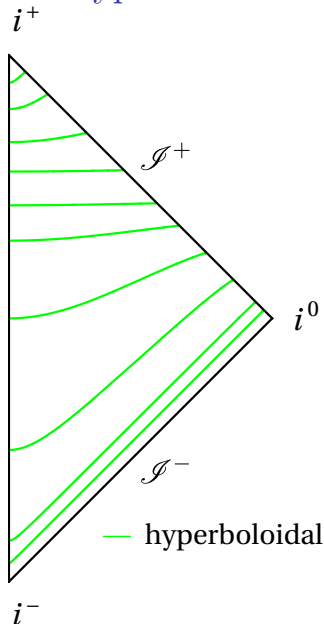
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How to **include** future null infinity in a **numerical integration domain**?

⇒ Balance the **blowup of the coordinates** with the **decay of the fields**.

Example: $g_{ab} = \Omega^2 \tilde{g}_{ab}$
Penrose's conformal compactification (60s).

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Spatial reference metric $\hat{\gamma}_{ij}$ in 3+1 decomposed Einstein equations:

$$\Lambda^i = \Gamma^i - \hat{\Gamma}^i = \gamma^{jk} \left(\Gamma_{jk}^i - \hat{\Gamma}_{jk}^i \right) \quad (1)$$

Formulation: Brown. *Phys. Rev.* D79 (2009)

Implementation in spherical coordinates with PIRK:

Baumgarte et al. *Phys.Rev.* D87.4 (2013) (BSSN)

Sanchis-Gual et al. *Phys. Rev.* D89.10 (2014) (Z4)

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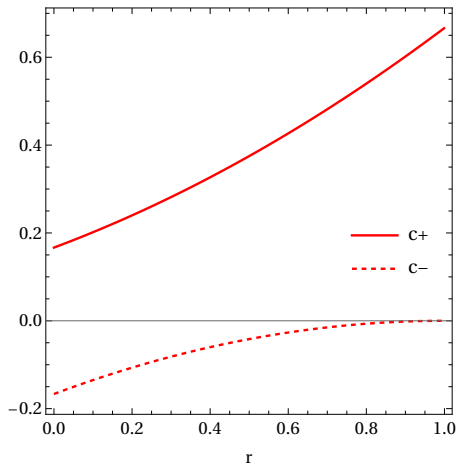
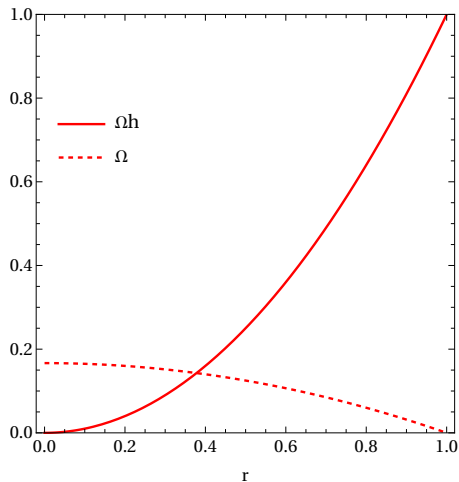
$$\dot{\alpha} = \beta^r \alpha' - \hat{\beta}^r \hat{\alpha}' - (n_{cK}(r_{\mathcal{J}}^2 - r^2)^2 + \alpha^2) \frac{\Delta \tilde{K}}{\Omega} + \frac{\Omega'}{\Omega} (\hat{\beta}^r \hat{\alpha} - \beta^r \alpha) + \frac{\xi_{cK}(\hat{\alpha} - \alpha)}{\Omega}$$

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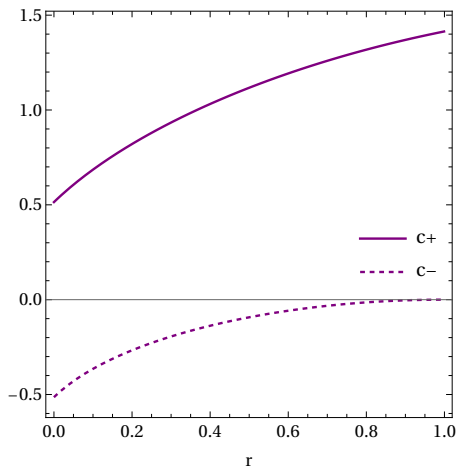
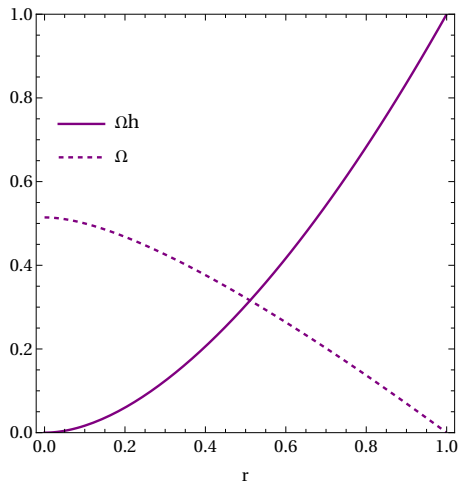
CMC – default choice, with $\hat{\gamma}_{rr} = 1$

$$h(\tilde{r}) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{K_C}\right)^2 + \tilde{r}^2} + \frac{3}{K_C} \quad \rightarrow \quad h(r) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{K_C}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{r}{\Omega}\right)^2} + \frac{3}{K_C}$$



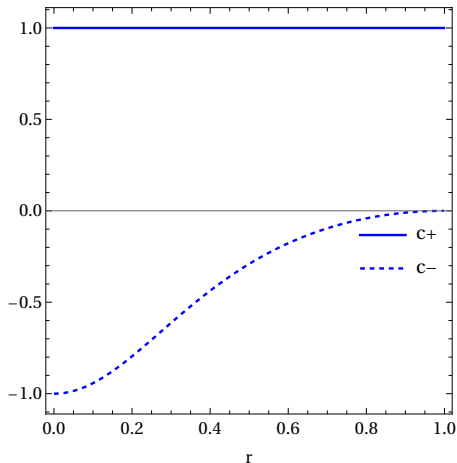
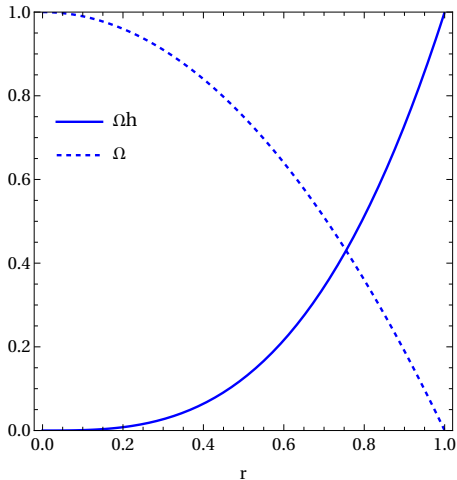
Similar to CMC

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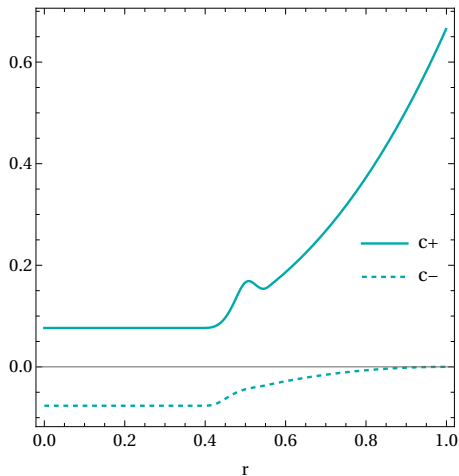
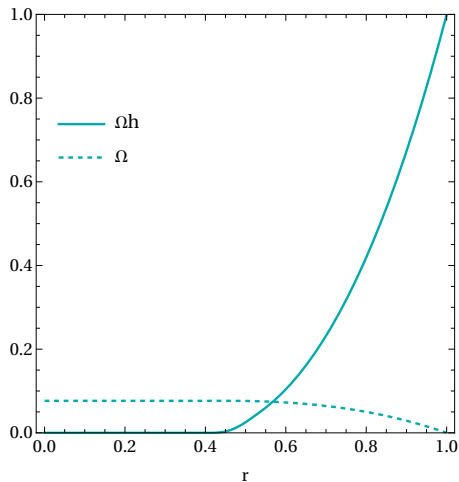
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$$h(r) = \frac{r}{\Omega} - r, \quad \Omega = 1 - r^2, \quad \rightarrow \quad \hat{\gamma}_{rr} \neq 1$$

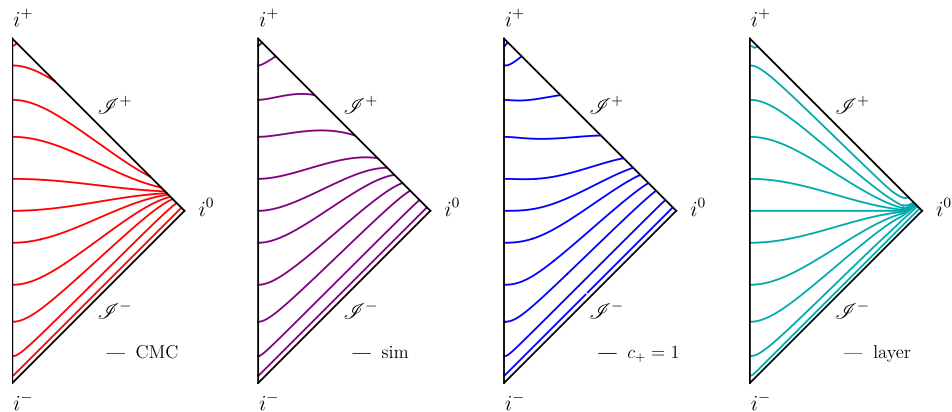


Hyperboloidal layer (matched)

$$h(r < \tilde{r}\Omega) = 0, \quad h(r > \tilde{r}\Omega) = \frac{3}{K_C} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{K_C}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{r}{\Omega} - \tilde{r}_{match}\right)^2}, \quad \hat{\gamma}_{rr} = 1$$



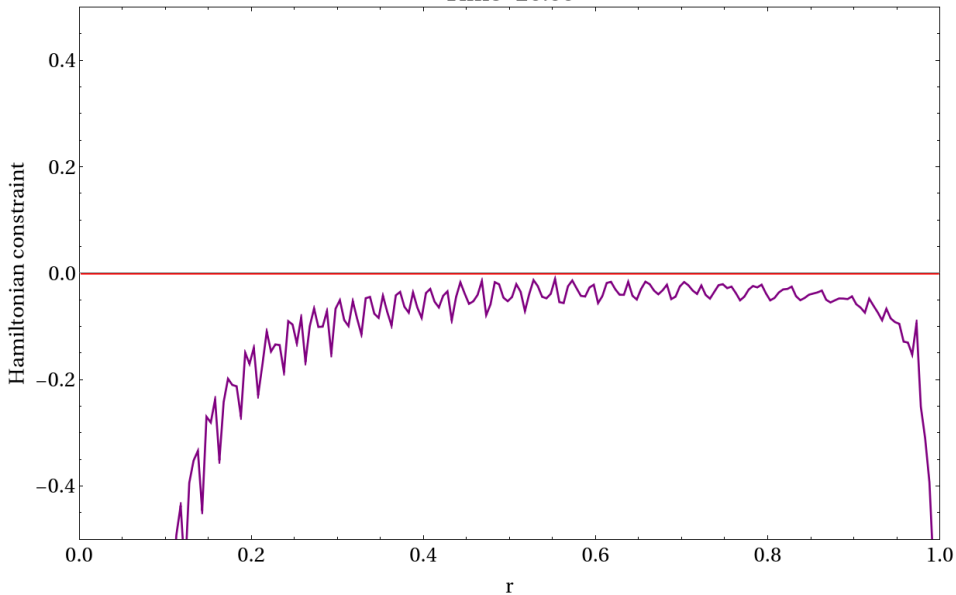
Carter-Penrose diagrams



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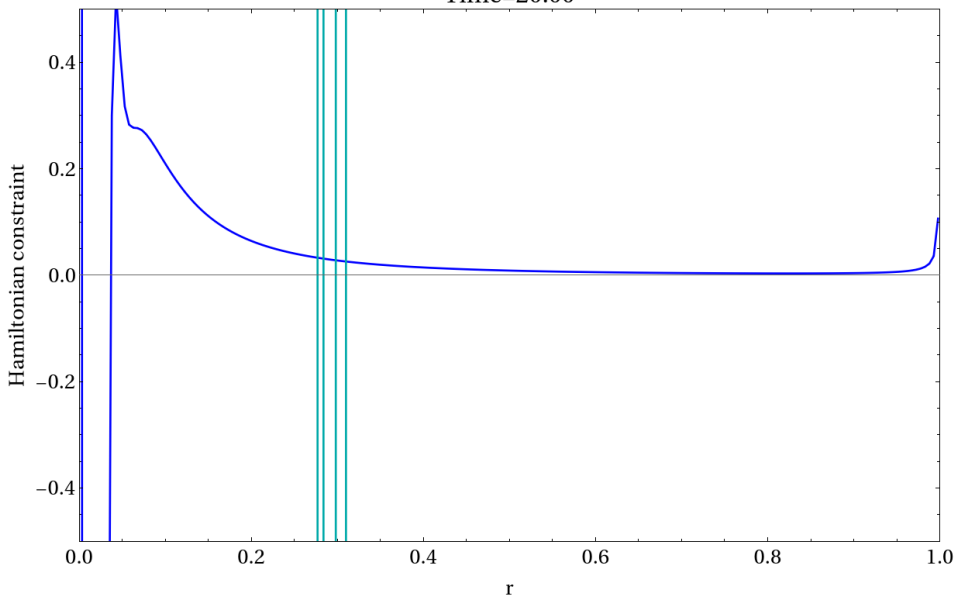
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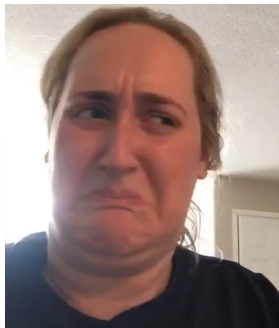


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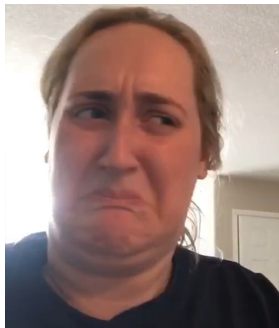




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Thank you!

Backup slides

Preferred conformal gauge and Bondi time

The preferred conformal gauge,

$$\square\Omega|_{\mathcal{I}^+} = 0, \quad (2)$$

makes the null tangent to \mathcal{I}^+ be affinely parametrized and simplifies how the divergent terms in the Einstein equations cancel.

It will hold for $\dot{\alpha}$ and $\dot{\beta}^r$ derived from

$$\tilde{\Lambda}^c = \tilde{g}^{ab} \left(\tilde{\Gamma}_{ab}^c - \hat{\Gamma}_{ab}^c \right) = \tilde{F}^c. \quad (3)$$

The Bondi time at \mathcal{I}^+ is related to our code time t via

$$dt_{Bondi} = \frac{\alpha^2 \omega}{\beta^r \Omega'} dt, \quad (4)$$

where $\omega = 1$ if the preferred conformal gauge holds. Otherwise, ω is to be determined by solving an ODE at \mathcal{I}^+ .

CCE/M vs. hyperbol. layer vs. CMC hyperboloidal

