# Critical gravitational collapse in elastic matter models

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# Introduction

- Critical solutions are well established for spherically symmetric distributions;
- Critical solutions separate black hole formation and dissipation;



• In phase space, the critical point verifies a local one-dimensional unstable submanifold

Gundlach and Martín-García(2007)

Critical black holes are the smallest possible obtainable. As such they:

- May denote regions of high spacetime curvature;
- May give rise to naked singularities.

# **Relativistic Elasticity**

Consider the 4-manifold, spacetime, and a projection into a 3submanifold, "material" space.



$$\varphi: \mathcal{M} \to \mathcal{M}_3$$

$$\varphi_*g^{ab} = g^{AB}$$

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#### Where:

 $\gamma = {\rm polytropic \ index} \ , \ \beta = {\rm shear \ index} \ , \ \nu = {\rm Poisson's \ ratio}$ 

This generalizes the perfect fluid, recovered for

$$\begin{cases} \beta = \gamma \\ & \Longrightarrow \quad \rho = \frac{k}{\gamma \left(\gamma - 1\right)} \left(\eta \, \xi\right)^{\gamma} \\ \nu \, = \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

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$$p_r = \xi \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \xi} - \rho \quad , \quad p_t = p_r + \frac{3}{2} \eta \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \eta}$$

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### Metric ansatz

• We consider a spherically symmetric metric given by

$$ds^{2} = -\alpha^{2}(t, r) dt^{2} + a^{2}(t, r) dr^{2} + r^{2} d\Omega^{2}$$

• A spacetime is continuously self-similar if there is a homothetic vector field, Z:

$$\mathscr{L}_Z g_{ab} = 2 \, g_{ab}$$

$$Z = t \partial_t + r \partial_r \implies a(t, r) \equiv a(x) \quad , \quad \alpha(t, r) \equiv \alpha(x)$$
$$x = \log\left(\frac{r}{-t}\right) \quad , \quad \tau = -\log\left(-t\right)$$

# Metric transformation

The self-similarity of spacetime can be brought out by the choice of new metric functions

The choice of metric function then reflects on the EFE, showing the correct self-similar form of the matter functions

$$\eta^{\gamma}(t,r) = \frac{\mathrm{e}^{2\,\tau}\,\mathrm{e}^{-2\,x}}{4\,\pi\,A}\,\tilde{\eta}^{\gamma}(x) \quad , \quad \xi(t,r) = \tilde{\xi}(x) \qquad \Longrightarrow \qquad \rho(t,r) = \frac{\mathrm{e}^{2\,\tau}\,\mathrm{e}^{-2\,x}}{4\,\pi\,A}\,\tilde{\rho}(x)$$

# **Elastic Equations of Motion**

$$G_0^0: \quad \frac{A'}{A} = 1 - A + \frac{2}{1 - V^2} \left( \tilde{\rho} + V^2 \, \tilde{p}_r \right)$$

$$G_1^1: \quad \frac{N'}{N} = -2 + A - (\tilde{\rho} - \tilde{p}_r)$$

$$G_0^1: \quad \frac{A'}{A} = -\frac{2NV}{1-V^2} \ (\tilde{\rho} + \tilde{p}_r)$$

$$T_{0,\mu}^{\mu} = 0: \quad a(\dots)\,\tilde{\xi}' + b(\dots)\,V' = e(\dots)$$

$$T_{1,\mu}^{\mu} = 0: \quad c(\dots)\,\tilde{\xi}' + d(\dots)\,V' = f(\dots)$$

$$\longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\xi}' \\ V' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

Elasticity: 
$$\frac{\tilde{\eta}'}{\tilde{\eta}} = -3 \frac{N\sqrt{A}V}{1-V^2} \tilde{\xi} - \frac{2NV}{\gamma (1-V^2)} (\tilde{\rho} + \tilde{p}_r)$$

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$$N = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{A}} e^{-x} \quad , \quad e^x = \frac{r}{-t} \qquad \checkmark$$

• The choice  $M=N \cdot V$  shows the origin is a fixed point with

$$A^* = 1$$
 ,  $M^* = -\frac{2}{3\gamma}$  ,  $\tilde{\xi}^* = 1$  ,  $\tilde{\eta}^* = 0$  ,  $V^* = 0$ 

$$A \sim 1 + \delta A(x) \quad , \quad M \sim -\frac{2}{3\gamma} + \delta M(x) \quad , \quad \tilde{\xi} \sim 1 + \delta \tilde{\xi}(x) \quad , \quad \tilde{\eta} \sim \delta \tilde{\eta}(x) \quad , \quad V \sim \delta V(x)$$

• And replace them in the EFE

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• Thus we obtain

$$A \sim 1 + A_{-\infty} e^{2x} \quad , \quad N \sim N_{-\infty} e^{-x} \quad , \quad \tilde{\xi} \sim 1 + \tilde{\xi}_{-\infty} e^{2x} \quad , \quad \tilde{\eta} \sim \tilde{\eta}_{-\infty} e^{\frac{2}{\gamma}x} \quad , \quad V \sim V_{-\infty} e^{x}$$

• The asymptotic rate factors related by

$$A_{-\infty} = \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{k}{\gamma \left( \gamma - 1 \right)} \right) \tilde{\eta}_{-\infty}^{\gamma} \quad , \quad N_{-\infty} V_{-\infty} = -\frac{2}{3\gamma} \quad , \quad \tilde{\xi}_{-\infty} = \sqrt{\frac{1 - V_{-\infty}^2}{A_{-\infty}}}$$

# **Conclusion and Future Work**

We've found that:

• Elastic self-similar models show several instances of similar behavior to perfect fluids.

However, to clear the uniqueness of this model we still need to:

- Obtain numerical solutions around the sonic point, validating them with the required asymptotic behavior;
- Develop simulations around the regular center using both Schwarzschild and comoving coordinates;
- Obtain the critical exponent and compare with other matter models.

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