

# Hyperbolicity, Boundary Causality and CHI in Gauss-Bonnet gravity

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## Motivation/Summary

- ▶ Higher derivative theories source of interesting phenomena  
Brigante, Liu, Myers, Shenker, Yaida; de Boer, Kulaxizi, Parnachev; Ge, Sin; Cai, Nie, Sun; Cai, Nie, Ohta, Sun
- ▶ Can have superluminal modes
- ▶ Toy model: black holes in Gauss-Bonnet
- ▶ In large Gauss-Bonnet black holes boundary causality constrains allowed values of GB coupling Buchel, Escobedo, Myers, Paulos, Sinha, Smolkin; Hofman, Maldacena; Camanho, Edelstein
- ▶ Boundary causality in small black holes?
- ▶ Hyperbolicity
- ▶ Causal holographic information .

# HYPERBOLICITY IN GAUSS-BONNET

Izumi 2014; Reall, Tanahashi, Way 2014

In Lovelock theories the equations of motion  $\mathcal{E}_I = 0$  depend linearly on  $\partial_0^2 g_{\mu\nu}$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_I}{\partial (\partial_0^2 g_J)} \partial_0^2 g_J + \dots = 0$$

- ▶ Consider hypersurface  $\Sigma$  and coordinates  $(x_0, x_i)$  such that  $\Sigma$  has equation  $x_0 = 0$
- ▶ Unique solutions only if

$$P_J^I = \frac{\partial \mathcal{E}_I}{\partial (\partial_0^2 g_J)},$$

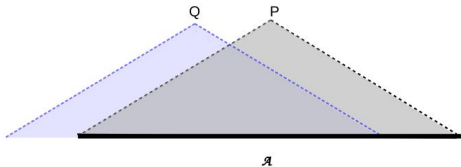
is invertible  $\rightarrow \Sigma$  is non-characteristic

- ▶ If  $P_J^I$  is not invertible,  $\Sigma$  is *characteristic*
- ▶ Characteristic hypersurface: hypersurface beyond which evolution is not unique.

- ▶ Given a metric

$$ds^2 = -f(r)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_{d-2}^2$$

- ▶ perturbations  $A = \{S, V, T\}$
- ▶ the fastest mode propagates along a characteristic hypersurface.



- ▶ Characteristic hypersurfaces in Einstein gravity are always null
- ▶ Not in Gauss-Bonnet gravity [H. Reall, N. Tanahashi, B. Way 1406.3379;](#)  
[K. Izumi 1406.0677](#)

- ▶ Static, spherically symmetric backgrounds
- ▶ Can define an effective metric such that the characteristic hypersurface is null with respect to that metric.
- ▶  $A = \{S, V, T\}$

$$\left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_*^2} - V_A^\ell(r)\right) \Psi_A^\ell(t, r) = 0$$

- ▶ Large  $\ell$

$$\left(-\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r_*^2} - f(r) \frac{c_A(r)}{r^2} D^2\right) \Psi_A(t, r) = f(r) G_A^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \Psi_A = 0$$

- ▶ characteristic hypersurface is null with respect to the corresponding effective metric,

$$G_{A\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -f(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + \frac{r^2}{c_A(r)} d\Omega^2$$

- ▶ In Lovelock theories the characteristic determinant factorizes

$$Q(x, \xi) = (G_S^{ab}(x) \xi_a \xi_b)^{n_S} (G_V^{ab}(x) \xi_a \xi_b)^{n_V} (G_T^{ab}(x) \xi_a \xi_b)^{n_T},$$

- ▶ If  $c_A = 0$  theory is not hyperbolic

## GAUSS-BONNET GRAVITY

$$S_{grav} = \frac{1}{16\pi G_N} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g} \left( R + \frac{12}{L^2} + \frac{\lambda L^2}{2} \mathcal{L}_{(2)} \right),$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{(2)} = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - 4R_{\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu} + R^2$$

Black hole solution,

$$ds^2 = -\frac{f(r)}{f_\infty} dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + r^2 d\Omega_3^2,$$

where

$$f(r) = r^2 \left[ \frac{L^2}{r^2} + \frac{1}{2\lambda} \left( 1 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda + 4\lambda \frac{\mu^4}{r^4}} \right) \right].$$

and  $f_\infty = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - 4\lambda}}{2\lambda}$

Effective metrics from master equation [Takahashi, Soda](#)

$$G_{A\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -f(r)dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f(r)} + \frac{r^2}{c_A(r)} d\Omega^2$$

with,

$$c_T = \frac{r^4(1 - 4\lambda) + 12\lambda(rh^2 + rh^4 + \lambda)}{r^4(1 - 4\lambda) + 4\lambda(rh^2 + rh^4 + \lambda)}$$

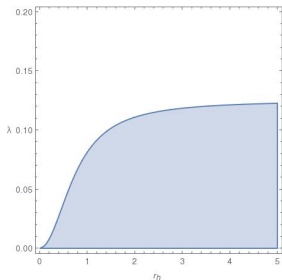
$$c_V = \dots$$

$$c_S = \frac{4\lambda(rh^2 + rh^4 + \lambda) + r^4(-1 + 4\lambda)}{-4\lambda(rh^2 + rh^4 + \lambda) + r^4(-1 + 4\lambda)}$$

- ▶  $c_A \rightarrow 1$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ Only  $c_S$  can have a zero



## Scalars control hyperbolicity



Tensors are the fastest, causal structure

# NULL GEODESICS

Geodesic equations

$$\dot{t} = \frac{1}{f(r)}, \quad \dot{\phi} = \frac{\ell c_T(r)}{r^2}, \quad \dot{r} = \eta \sqrt{f_\infty - \ell^2 c_T(r) f(r) / r^2}$$

- ▶ Tensor effective metric
- ▶ Geodesics with endpoints at the boundary,  $\ell^2 < 1$ .
- ▶ Turning point:  $f_\infty - \ell^2 c_T(r_m) f(r_m) / r_m^2$

$\Delta t$  : time that a geodesic takes to travel from boundary to minimum radius back to boundary

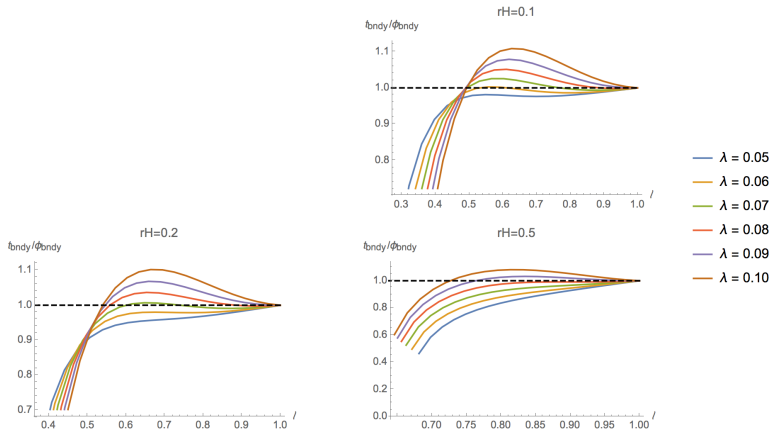
$$\Delta t = 2 \int_{r_m}^{\infty} \frac{dr}{f(r) \sqrt{f_{\infty} - \ell^2 c_T(r) f(r) / r^2}}.$$

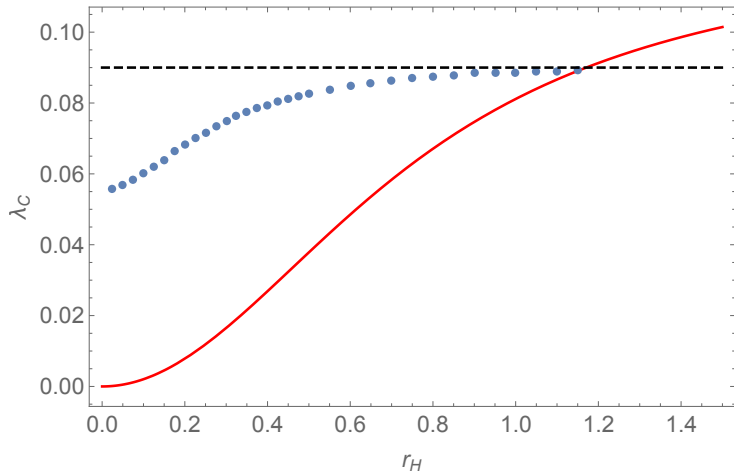
$\Delta \phi$ : angle subtended –at the boundary– in  $\Delta t$

$$\Delta \phi = 2 \int_{r_m}^{\infty} \frac{\ell c_T(r) dr}{r^2 \sqrt{f_{\infty} - \ell^2 c_T(r) f(r) / r^2}}.$$

$\Delta t$  and  $\Delta \phi$  numerically

# Causality violation

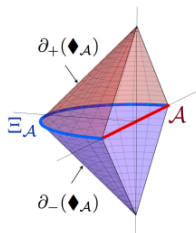




# CAUSAL HOLOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

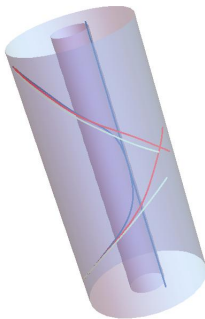
Hubeny, Rangaman 1204.1698; Hubeny, Rangamani, Tonni 1306.4324

- ▶  $\Xi_{\mathcal{A}} = \text{rim of causal wedge}$
- ▶  $\chi = \frac{\Xi_{\mathcal{A}}}{4G_N}$

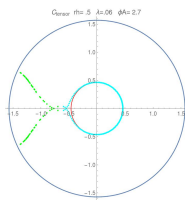
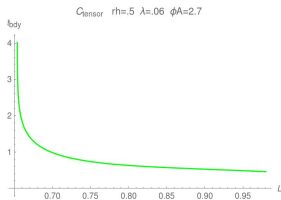


In Gauss-Bonnet causal structure is not generated by null geodesics

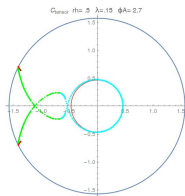
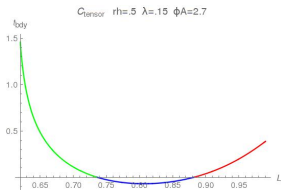
- ▶ Use previous framework, null geodesics in effective tensor metric
  - ▶ Shoot geodesics from tip of causal diamond ( $p^\vee$  or  $p^\wedge$ )
  - ▶ Also geodesics without turning point



## Causality OK



## Causality violation





## Conclusions

- ▶ For small black holes hyperbolicity is a more stringent requirement than boundary causality
- ▶ Non-monotonic behavior of  $t_{bdy}$  associated to bdy causality violation
- ▶ CHI.... to be continued

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- ▶ Negative  $\lambda$
- ▶ Gao-Wald ?
- ▶ interpretation/dual of hyperbolicity ??
- ▶ entanglement wedge in higher derivative theories ?