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#### Kasner metrics

ullet real circle in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by equations

$$p_a + p_b + p_c = 1, \qquad p_a^2 + p_b^2 + p_c^2 = 1$$

 each point on this circle defines a metric with Minkowskian (or Euclidean) signature

$$\pm dt^2 + a(t)^2 dx^2 + b(t)^2 dy^2 + c(t)^2 dz^2$$

with scaling factors a, b, c:

$$a(t) = t^{\rho_a}, \quad b(t) = t^{\rho_b}, \quad c(t) = t^{\rho_c}, t > 0.$$

Kasner metric with exponents  $(p_a, p_b, p_c)$ .



## u-parameterization

• Points  $(p_a, p_b, p_c)$  on the circle parameterized by a coordinate  $u \in [1, \infty]$ 

$$p_1^{(u)} := -\frac{u}{1+u+u^2} \in [-1/3,0]$$
 $p_2^{(u)} := \frac{1+u}{1+u+u^2} \in [0,2/3]$ 
 $p_3^{(u)} := \frac{u(1+u)}{1+u+u^2} \in [2/3,1]$ 

• Rearrange the exponents  $p_1^{(u)} \le p_2^{(u)} \le p_3^{(u)}$  by a bijection  $(1,2,3) \to (a,b,c)$  (permutation of the 3 space axes)

# Mixmaster Universe (1970s)

V. Belinskii, I.M. Khalatnikov, E.M. Lifshitz, *Oscillatory approach* to singular point in Relativistic cosmology. Adv. Phys. 19 (1970), 525–551.

- Anisotropic cosmologies
- Locally described by a Kasner metric
- Sequence of Kasner metrics (Kasner epochs and cycles)
- Within each epoch one direction dominates expansion, the other two oscillate in a series of Kasner cycles
- At the end of each epoch a bounce occurs and a possibly different direction becomes responsible for expansion
- Approach: model the dynamics by a discrete dynamical system that determines epochs and cycles
- ⇒ continued fraction expansion

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 Dynamical system: (partial map) invertible two sided shift

$$\widetilde{T}: [0,1]^2 \to [0,1]^2 \qquad \widetilde{T}: (x,y) \mapsto \left(\frac{1}{x} - \left[\frac{1}{x}\right], \frac{1}{y + [1/x]}\right)$$

ullet On  $[0,1]^2\cap(\mathbb{R}^2\smallsetminus\mathbb{Q}^2)$  uniquely defined  $k_s\in\mathbb{N}$ 

$$x = [0, k_0, k_1, k_2, \ldots], \qquad y = [0, k_{-1}, k_{-2}, \ldots]$$

$$\frac{1}{x} - \left[\frac{1}{x}\right] = [0, k_1, k_2, \dots], \quad \frac{1}{y + [1/x]} = \frac{1}{k_0 + y} = [0, k_0, k_{-1}, k_{-2}, \dots]$$

ullet On this subset  $\widetilde{\mathcal{T}}$  bijective with invariant density

$$d\mu(x,y) = \frac{dx\,dy}{\log\,2\cdot(1+xy)^2}$$

• encode  $(x,y) \in [0,1]^2 \cap (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Q}^2)$  with doubly infinite sequence  $(k) := [\ldots k_{-2}, k_{-1}, k_0, k_1, k_2, \ldots], k_i \in \mathbb{N}$  where  $T(k)_s = k_{s+1}$  invertible shift

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#### Continued fractions and Mixmaster Universe

- typical solutions of Einstein equations Bianchi IX type with SO(3)—symmetry oscillates (near the initial singularity) close to a sequence of Kasner type solutions
- ullet local logarithmic time  $d\Omega := -rac{dt}{abc}$
- for  $\Omega \cong -\log t \to +\infty$ :
- increasing sequence of times  $\Omega_0 < \Omega_1 < \cdots < \Omega_n < \ldots$
- sequence of irrational real numbers  $u_n \in (1, +\infty), \ n=0,1,2,\ldots$
- semi-interval  $[\Omega_n, \Omega_{n+1})$  is n-th Kasner epoch
- ullet start at time  $\Omega_n$  with a value  $u=u_n>1$ :

$$p_1 = -rac{u}{1+u+u^2}, \quad p_2 = rac{1+u}{1+u+u^2}, \quad p_3 = rac{u(1+u)}{1+u+u^2}$$

• Kasner cycles (within same Kasner epoch)  $u = u_n - 1$ ,  $u_n - 2$ , . . ., with corresponding Kasner metrics

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ullet after  $k_n := [u_n]$  cycles inside the same Kasner epoch, a jump to the next epoch with new parameter

$$u_{n+1}=\frac{1}{u_n-[u_n]}$$

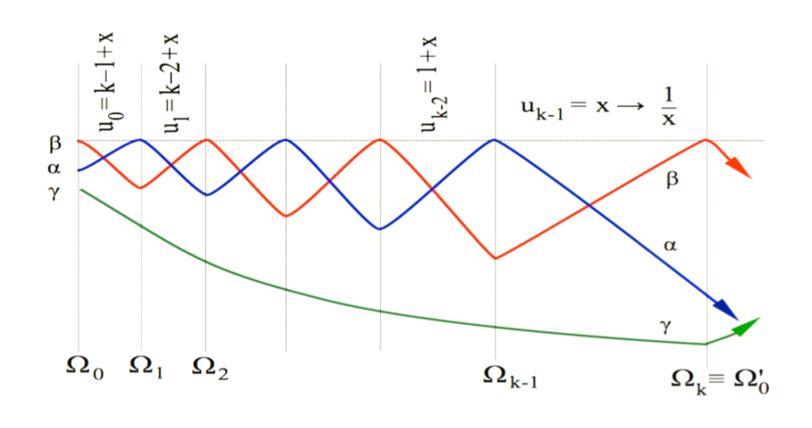
- at the end of each epoch a reshuffling of space axes (also determined by the discrete dynamical system)
- ullet sequence of logarithmic times  $\Omega_n$  specified by a sequence  $\delta_n$

$$\Omega_{n+1} = [1 + \delta_n k_n (u_n + 1/\{u_n\})]\Omega_n$$

• setting  $\eta_n = (1 - \delta_n)/\delta_n$  recursion

$$\eta_{n+1}x_n=\frac{1}{k_n+\eta_nx_{n_1}}$$

with  $x_n = u_n - k_n$ 



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- D.H. Mayer, Relaxation properties of the Mixmaster Universe, Phys. Lett. A 121 (1987), no. 8,9, 390–394

#### Conclusion:

• trajectories of mixmaster universe dynamics are parameterized by pairs  $(x, y) \in [0, 1]^2 \cap (\mathbb{R}^2 \setminus \mathbb{Q}^2)$ 

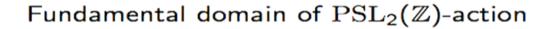
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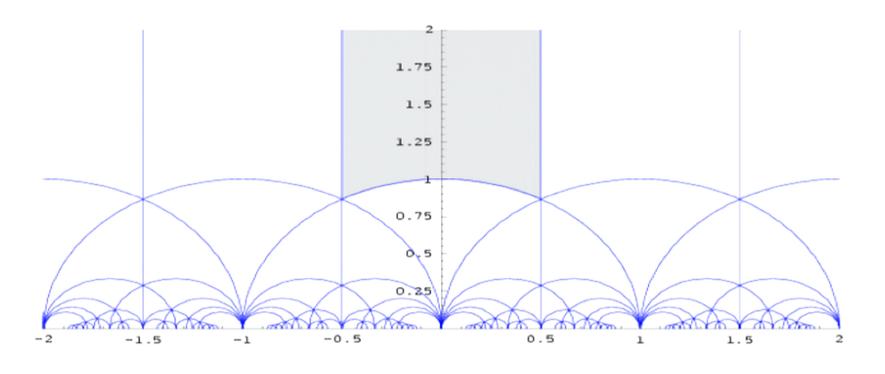
x specifies number of Kasner cycles in each Kasner epoch, y specifies the Kasner logarithmic times

 transition from one Kasner epoch to the next is given by the action of the double sided shift of the continued fraction

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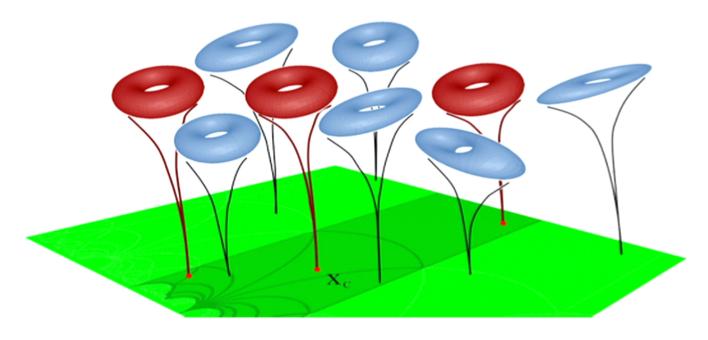


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# Elliptic curves and modular curve



(detail from an image by Christian Wuthrich)

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## Farey tessellation

- ullet adding cusps to the upper half plane:  $\overline{\mathbb{H}}:=\mathbb{H}\cup\{\mathbb{Q}\cup\{\infty\}\}$
- ullet vertical lines  $\Re(z)=n, n\in\mathbb{Z}$ , and semicircles in  $\overline{\mathbb{H}}$  connecting pairs of finite cusps (p/q,p'/q') with  $pq'-p'q=\pm 1$
- ullet these cut  $\overline{\mathbb{H}}$  into a union of geodesic ideal triangles: Farey tessellation
- C.Series, The modular surface and continued fractions, J. London MS, Vol. 2, no. 31 (1985), 69–80
- ullet coding of geodesics on  $\mathcal{M}=\mathbb{H}/\mathrm{PSL}_2(\mathbb{Z})$  using Farey tessellation and continued fraction

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•  $\mathcal{B}$  set of oriented geodesics  $\beta$  in  $\mathbb{H}$  with ideal irrational endpoints  $\beta_{-\infty}, \beta_{\infty}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$ , such that

$$\beta_{-\infty} \in (-1,0), \quad \beta_{\infty} \in (1,\infty)$$

continued fraction expansion of endpoints

$$\beta_{-\infty} = -[0, k_0, k_{-1}, k_{-2}, \ldots], \qquad \beta_{\infty} = [k_1, k_2, k_3, \ldots], \quad k_i \in \mathbb{N},$$

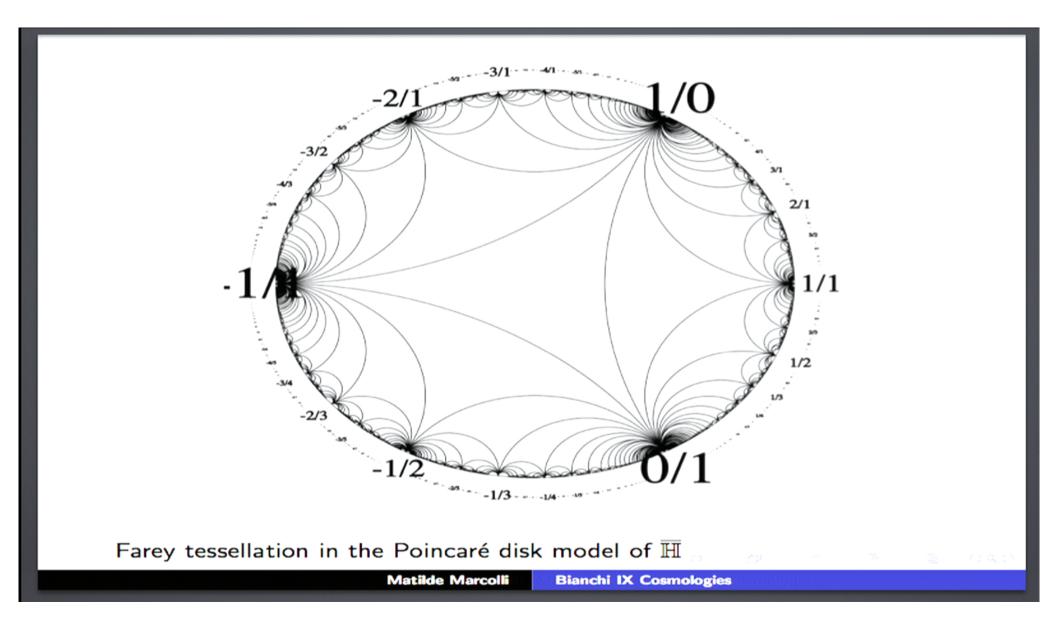
ullet eta determined by endpoints, by doubly infinite sequence of continued fraction digits

$$[\ldots k_{-2}, k_{-1}, k_0, k_1, k_2, \ldots]$$

- ullet intersection point x=x(eta) of eta with imaginary semiaxis in  $\mathbb H$
- ullet moving along eta: intersect infinite sequence of Farey triangles
- enter each triangle through one side and leave through a different one: the ideal intersection point of these two sides is either to the left or to the right
- infinite sequences in alphabet  $\{L, R\}$  (moving in both directions)

$$\dots L^{k_{-3}}R^{k_{-2}}L^{k_{-1}}R^{k_0} \qquad L^{k_1}R^{k_2}L^{k_3}R^{k_4}\dots$$

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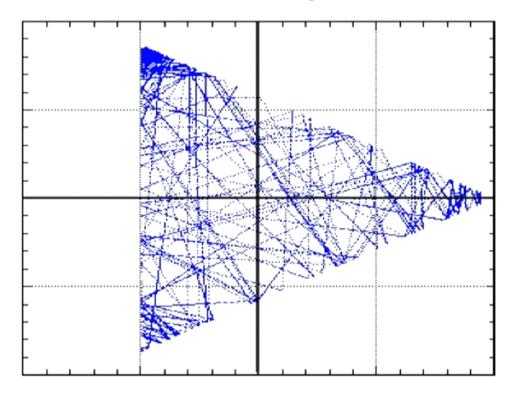
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# Other billiard models for Mixmaster dynamics



(from Beverly Berger, "Numerical Approaches to Spacetime Singularities")

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# Enriched encoding of geodesics and Mixmaster trajectories

• hyperbolic billiard as above: insert between consecutive powers of L, R the intersection points of  $\beta$  with sides of Farey triangles:

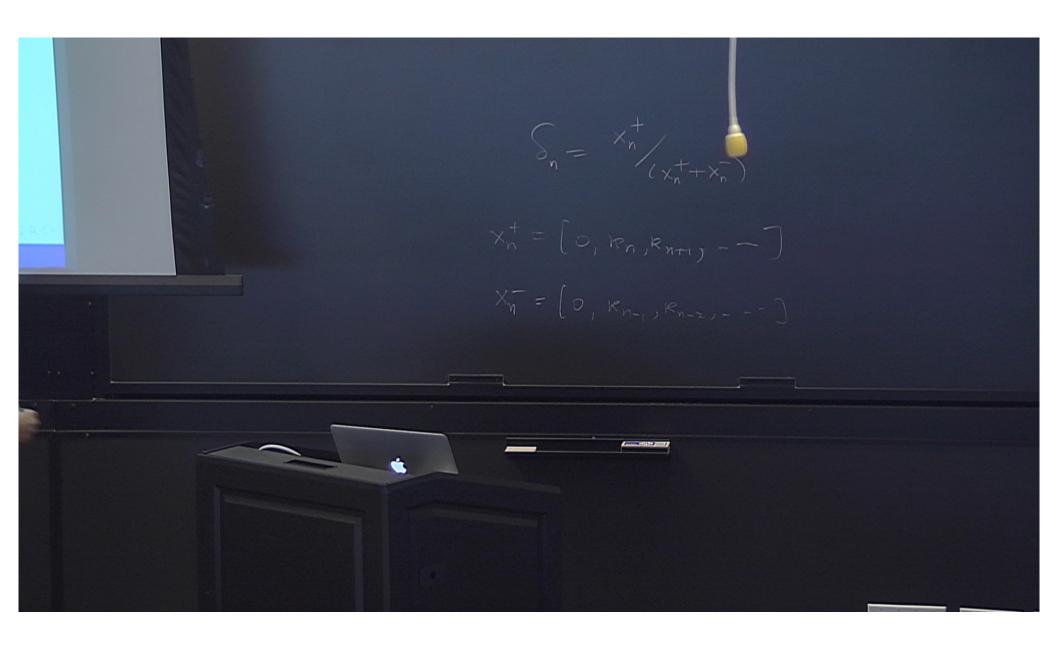
$$\ldots L^{k_{-1}} x_{-1} R^{k_0} x_0 L^{k_1} x_1 R^{k_2} x_2 L^{k_3} x_3 R^{k_4} \ldots$$

• Result: when  $s \to \infty$ ,  $s \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$\log \frac{\Omega_{2s}}{\Omega_0} \simeq 2 \sum_{r=0}^{s-1} \mathrm{dist}(x_{2r}, x_{2r+1}),$$

dist = hyperbolic distance between consecutive intersection points of the geodesic with sides of the Farey tesselation

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Sketch of argument: known from mixmaster dynamics that

$$\log rac{\Omega_{2s}}{\Omega_0} \simeq -\sum_{
ho=1}^{2s} \log(x_
ho^+ x_
ho^-)$$

$$=\sum_{\rho=1}^{2s}\log([k_{\rho-1},k_{\rho-2},k_{\rho-3},\ldots]\cdot[k_{\rho},k_{\rho+1},k_{\rho+2},\ldots])$$

From coding of geodesics also know that

$$\operatorname{dist}(x_0, x_1) = \frac{1}{2} \log([k_0, k_{-1}, k_{-2}, \dots] \cdot [k_1, k_2, \dots] \cdot [k_1, k_0, k_{-1}, \dots] \cdot [k_2, k_3, \dots])$$

and more generally dist  $(x_{2r}, x_{2r+1})$  is given by

$$\frac{1}{2}\log([k_{2r},k_{2r-1},k_{2r-2},\ldots]\cdot[k_{2r+1},k_{2r+2},\ldots]\cdot [k_{2r+1},k_{2r},k_{2r-1},\ldots]\cdot[k_{2r+2},k_{2r+3},\ldots])$$

Consequence: identification of distance along geodesic with logarithmic cosmological time

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#### Painlevé VI equations

- Painlevé transcendents: solutions of nonlinear second-order ODEs in the plane with Painlevé property (the only movable singularities are poles) not solvable in terms of elementary functions; classification in types
- Painlevé VI: 4-parameter family  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta)$

$$\frac{d^2X}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{X} + \frac{1}{X-1} + \frac{1}{X-t} \right) \left( \frac{dX}{dt} \right)^2$$

$$- \left( \frac{1}{t} + \frac{1}{t-1} + \frac{1}{X-t} \right) \frac{dX}{dt} +$$

$$+ \frac{X(X-1)(X-t)}{t^2(t-1)^2} \left( \alpha + \beta \frac{t}{X^2} + \gamma \frac{t-1}{(X-1)^2} + \delta \frac{t(t-1)}{(X-t)^2} \right).$$

## Painlevé VI and elliptic curves

Painlevé VI rewritten as (Fuchs)

$$t(1-t)\left[t(1-t)\frac{d^2}{dt^2} + (1-2t)\frac{d}{dt} - \frac{1}{4}\right] \int_{\infty}^{(X,Y)} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x(x-1)(x-t)}} =$$

$$= \alpha Y + \beta \frac{tY}{X^2} + \gamma \frac{(t-1)Y}{(X-1)^2} + (\delta - \frac{1}{2}) \frac{t(t-1)Y}{(X-t)^2}$$

where (X,Y):=(X(t),Y(t)) is a section (local and/or multivalued) P:=(X(t),Y(t)) of the generic elliptic curve  $E=E(t):\ Y^2=X(X-1)(X-t)$ 

• left-hand-side  $\mu(P)$  satisfies  $\mu(P+Q)=\mu(P)+\mu(Q)$  for P+Q addition on the elliptic curve E (in particular  $\mu(Q)=0$  for points of finite order)

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ullet also have, for  $e_i( au)=\wp(rac{T_i}{2}, au)$ 

$$\wp_z(z,\tau)^2=4(\wp(z,\tau)-e_1(\tau))(\wp(z,\tau)-e_2(\tau))(\wp(z,\tau)-e_3(\tau))$$
 so  $e_1+e_2+e_3=0$ 

- ullet a multivalued solution z=z( au) defines a multi-section of the family, which is a covering of  $\mathbb H$
- $\bullet$  is know ramification and monodromy can study behavior over geodesics in  $\mathbb{H}$
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• absolythat electronic of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (o) of  $\mathfrak{g}$  (elliptic curve  $E_{\tau}=\mathbb{C}/\Lambda$  with  $\Lambda=\mathbb{Z}+\tau\mathbb{Z}$ , with  $\tau\in\mathbb{H}$  • Refer PainTeve  $(T_{\tau})^2$  of  $(R_{\tau})^2$  ( $(R_{\tau})^2$ )  $(R_{\tau})^2$  of  $(R_{\tau})^2$  o

so  $e_1 + e_2 + e_3 = 0$   $\frac{d^2z}{dz^2} = \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2} \sum_{j=0}^{3} \alpha_j \wp_z(z + \frac{T_j}{2}, \tau)$ • a multivalued \$\frac{\sqrt{0}}{\sqrt{0}}\text{ution}(\frac{2}{2}\tau i)^2 \text{defines a multi-section of the family, which is a covering of \$\mathbb{H}\$

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more explicitly

$$\sigma_1 = x_1 \, dx_2 - x_2 \, dx_1 + x_3 \, dx_0 - x_0 \, dx_3 = \frac{1}{2} (d\psi + \cos\theta \, d\phi),$$
 
$$\sigma_2 = x_2 \, dx_3 - x_3 dx_2 + x_1 \, dx_0 - x_0 \, dx_1 = \frac{1}{2} (\sin\psi \, d\theta - \sin\theta \cos\psi \, d\phi),$$
 
$$\sigma_3 = x_3 \, dx_1 - x_1 \, dx_3 + x_2 \, dx_0 - x_0 \, dx_2 = \frac{1}{2} (-\cos\psi \, d\theta - \sin\theta \, \sin\psi \, d\phi),$$
 Euler angles  $0 \le \theta \le \pi$ ,  $0 \le \phi \le 2\pi$  and  $0 \le \psi \le 4\pi$  (SU(2) case)

- identifying  $S^3$  with unit quaternions SU(2)
- The metrics on  $S^3$

$$\frac{W_2 W_3}{W_1} \sigma_1^2 + \frac{W_1 W_3}{W_2} \sigma_2^2 + \frac{W_1 W_2}{W_3} \sigma_3^2$$

are left-invariants under the action of SU(2) but not right-invariant (unlike the round metric on  $S^3$ )

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# Blanchi IX gravitational instantons and Painlevé VI

- ullet Euclidean Bianchi IX metrics with SU(2)-symmetry that are
- self-dual (Weyl curvature tensor W self-dual)
- Einstein metrics (Ricci tensor proportional to the metric)
- ullet Self-dual equations for a Riemannian 4-manifold are PDEs; with SU(2)-symmetry reduce to ODEs
- This ODE is a Painlevé VI equation with

$$(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta) = (\frac{1}{8}, -\frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8}, \frac{3}{8})$$

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#### Gravitational instantons and theta characteristics

ullet use notation  $\vartheta[p,q]:=\vartheta[p,q](0,i\mu)$ , and

$$\vartheta_2 := \vartheta[1/2, 0], \qquad \vartheta_3 := \vartheta[0, 0], \qquad \vartheta_4 := \vartheta[0, 1/2]$$

self-dual metrics

$$g = F \left( d\mu^2 + \frac{\sigma_1^2}{W_1^2} + \frac{\sigma_2^2}{W_2^2} + \frac{\sigma_3^2}{W_3^3} \right)$$

with

$$W_1 = -rac{i}{2}artheta_3artheta_4rac{rac{\partial}{\partial q}artheta[p,q+rac{1}{2}]}{e^{\pi ip}artheta[p,q]}, \quad W_2 = rac{i}{2}artheta_2artheta_4rac{rac{\partial}{\partial q}artheta[p+rac{1}{2},q+rac{1}{2}]}{e^{\pi ip}artheta[p,q]}, \ W_3 = -rac{1}{2}artheta_2artheta_3rac{rac{\partial}{\partial q}artheta[p+rac{1}{2},q]}{artheta[p,q]},$$

with non-zero cosmological constant Λ:

$$F = \frac{2}{\pi \Lambda} \frac{W_1 W_2 W_3}{(\frac{\partial}{\partial q} \log \vartheta[p, q])^2}$$

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#### Comments

- Singularities (poles) on the real axis: like Taub-NUT infinity
- Sign changes allowed to get all asymptotics with  $W_2 \sim W_3 \neq W_1$  (see Babich, Korotkin)
- ullet instanton analogs of Kasner's solutions with  $i\mu\in\Delta\subset\mathbb{H}$  in the vicinity of  $i\infty$  but not necessarily on the imaginary axis
- ullet behavior  $\mu \to \infty$  of these Bianchi IX cosmologies as possible model of (Wick rotated) time at the singularity in algebro-geometric gluing of spacetimes proposed in:
- Yu.I. Manin, M. Marcolli, *Big Bang, blowup, and modular curves: algebraic geometry in cosmology*, SIGMA Symmetry Integrability Geom. Methods Appl. 10 (2014), Paper 073, 20 pp.

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# Spacetime noncommutativity in the early universe

- noncommutativity hypothesis: near the singularity spacetime coordinates acquire noncommutativity as part of quantum effects
- noncommutative deformation should preserve the metric properties
- Connes—Landi isospectral deformations
- $\bullet$  for the 3-sphere  $S^3$  with the round metric: isospectral deformation by making all the tori of the Hopf fibration into noncommutative tori
- ullet do the left-SU(2)-invariant Bianchi IX metrics admit similar noncommutative isospectral deformations?
- ullet not always, but yes in the cases that arise as asymptotic behavior at  $\mu o \infty$  of the gravitational instantons

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# Hopf fibration on $S^3$

• Hopf coordinates  $(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta)$ 

$$z_1 := x_1 + ix_2 = e^{i(\psi + \phi)}\cos\frac{\theta}{2} = e^{i\xi_1}\cos\eta,$$

$$z_2 := x_3 + ix_0 = e^{i(\psi - \phi)} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} = e^{i\xi_2} \sin \eta.$$

• identifying  $S^3$  with unit quaternions SU(2)

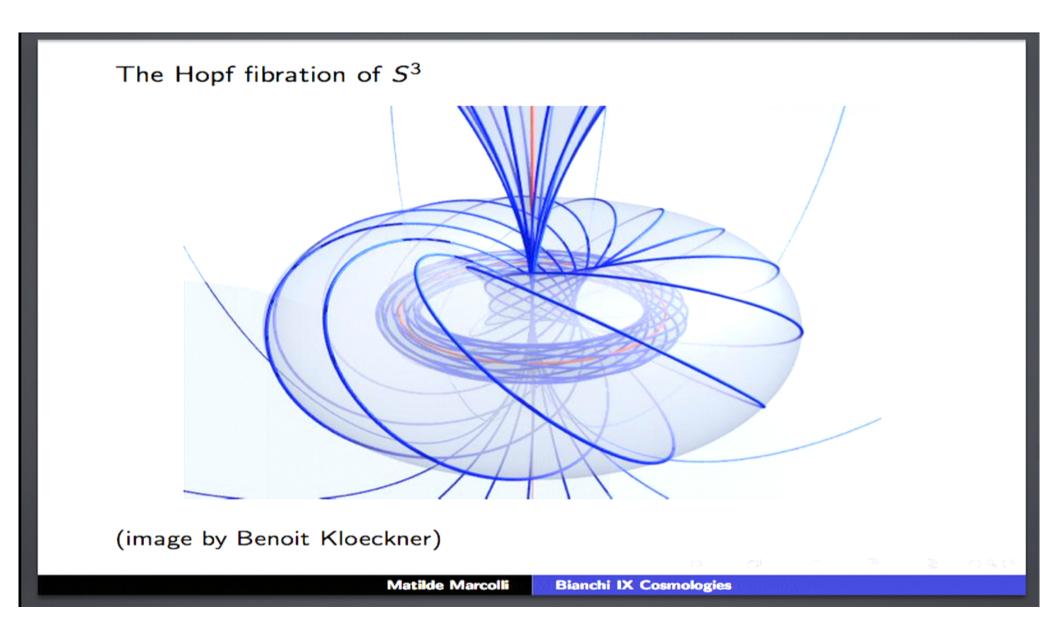
$$q := \begin{pmatrix} z_1 & z_2 \\ -\overline{z}_2 & \overline{z}_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\xi_1}\cos\eta & e^{i\xi_2}\sin\eta \\ -e^{-i\xi_2}\sin\eta & e^{-i\xi_1}\cos\eta \end{pmatrix}$$

with  $|z_1|^2+|z_2|^2=1$  and  $(\xi_1,\xi_2,\eta)$  Hopf coordinates

Hopf fibration

$$S^1 \hookrightarrow S^3 \rightarrow S^2$$





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- Deformed  $C^*$ -algebra of functions  $S^3_{\theta}$ : generators  $\alpha = U \cos \eta$  and  $\beta = V \sin \eta$  relations:  $\alpha\beta = e^{2\pi i \theta} \beta \alpha$ ,  $\alpha^*\beta = e^{-2\pi i \theta} \beta \alpha^*$ ,  $\alpha^*\alpha = \alpha \alpha^*$ ,  $\beta^*\beta = \beta\beta^*$  and  $\alpha\alpha^* + \beta\beta^* = 1$
- ullet Riemannian geometry in noncommutative setting described by spectral triples  $(\mathcal{A},\mathcal{H},\mathcal{D})$ , with  $\mathcal{A}$  involutive algebra (smooth functions on NC space),  $\mathcal{H}$  Hilbert space with representation of  $\mathcal{A}$  (spinors), and Dirac operator  $\mathcal{D}$
- Isospectral deformation  $X_{\theta}$  of a manifold  $X: A = C^{\infty}(X_{\theta})$  noncommutative, with  $(\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{D}) = (L^2(X, S), \not D_X)$  same as for X
- ullet Connes–Landi: if  $T^2$  acts by isometries on X then  $\exists \ X_{ heta}$
- $\bullet$  check when have action of  $T^2$  by isometry on the Bianchi IX, compatible with the Hopf fibration of  $S^3$

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ullet in Hopf coordinates  $T^2$  action on  $\mathcal{S}^3$ 

$$(t_1,t_2):(\xi_1,\xi_2)\mapsto (\xi_1+t_1,\xi_2+t_2)$$

Euler angles  $(u, v): (\phi, \psi) \mapsto (\phi + u, \psi + v)$ , with  $t_1 = (u + v)/2$  and  $t_2 = (v - u)/2$ 

- U(1)-action  $u: \phi \mapsto \phi + u$  leaves 1-forms  $\sigma_i$  invariant (rotates circles  $S^1 \hookrightarrow S^3$  of Hopf fibration)
- ullet the form  $\sigma_1$  also invariant under other U(1)-action  $v:\psi\mapsto\psi+v$

$$v^*\sigma_2 = \frac{1}{2}(\sin(\psi+\beta)d\theta - \cos(\psi+\beta)\sin\theta d\phi)$$

$$v^*\sigma_3 = \frac{1}{2}(-\cos(\psi+\beta)d\theta - \sin(\psi+\beta)\sin\theta d\phi),$$

ullet then  $v^*g=g$  for a Bianchi IX metric

$$g = d\mu^2 + a^2 \sigma_1^2 + b^2 \sigma_2^2 + c^2 \sigma_3^2$$

if and only if b = c

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- This class of Bianchi IX metrics include
  - Taub-NUT and Eguchi-Hanson gravitational instantons
  - asymptotic form of the general Bianchui IX gravitational instantons

#### Dirac operator:

• Berger sphere  $S^3$  with  $\lambda^2 \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \sigma_3^2$ 

$$D_B = -i \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\lambda} X_1 & X_2 + i X_3 \\ X_2 - i X_3 & -\frac{1}{\lambda} X_1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\lambda^2 + 2}{2\lambda},$$

with  $\{X_1, X_2, X_3\}$  basis of the Lie algebra

on the Bianchi IX (Euclidean) spacetime

$$\mathcal{D} = rac{1}{W_1^{1/2}W}\left(\gamma^0\left(rac{\partial}{\partial\mu} + rac{1}{2}(rac{\dot{W}}{W} + rac{1}{2}rac{\dot{W_1}}{W_1})
ight) + \left.W_1\left.D_B
ight|_{\lambda=rac{W}{W_1}}
ight)
ight)$$

with  $W = W_2 = W_3$ 

Conclusion: Bianchi IX gravitational instantons are compatible with spacetime noncommutativity (only at  $\mu \to \infty$ )

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