

BLACK HOLE LATTICES & COSMOLOGY

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1. Lattice construction

Lattice Type	Number of Faces	Number of Edges	Number of Vertices	Vertex Figure	Schlafli Symbols
5-cell	10	10	5	Tetrahedron	{3 3}
(Tetrahedron)	(Triangles)				
8-cell	24	32	16	Tetrahedron	{4 3}
(Octahedron)	(Squares)				
16-cell	32	24	8	Octahedron	{3 4}
(Tetrahedron)	(Triangles)				
24-cell	96	96	24	Cube	{3 4}
(Octahedron)	(Triangles)				
120-cell	720	1200	600	Tetrahedron	{5 3 3}
(Dodecahedron)	(Pentagons)				
600-cell	1200	1200	120	Icosahedron	{3 5 5}
(Tetrahedron)	(Triangles)				

Table 1: All possible lattices that can be constructed on a 3-sphere using the regular convex polytopes. The Schlafli symbols (pqr) denote the number of edges to a face, p , the number of faces that meet at the vertex of a cell, q , and the number of cells that meet at an edge, r .

We wish to regularly arrange a finite number of masses on a 3-sphere: consider the six possible convex regular polytopes. Then we put a mass at the centre of each cell.

DECELERATION PARAMETER IN A LATTICE BLACK HOLE UNIVERSE



From highest to lowest at early times, the six solid lines correspond to the 5-cell (red), the 8-cell (orange), the 16 and 24-cells (yellow and green), the 120-cell (blue), and the 600-cell (purple). The dotted line is the curve associated with a spatially closed FLRW solution with the same total proper mass, and time is displayed in units of total proper mass.

Note the sign of the deceleration parameter in vacuum! In a spatially flat FLRW solution such behaviour would be taken to correspond to a "phantom fluid", with $p < -\rho$.

7. On the reflection symmetric surfaces

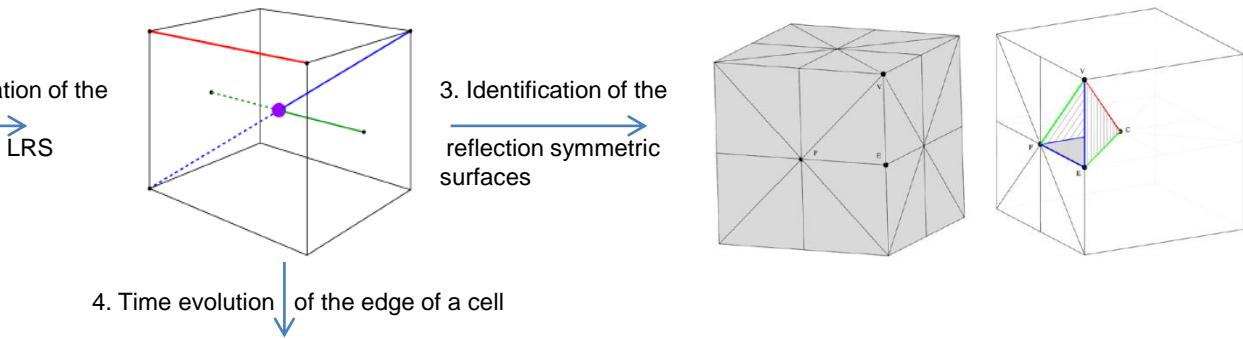
Note that on the reflection surface $E \cdot H = 0$
Introduce the super-Poynting vector $P_a = \epsilon_{abc}E^b_dH^{dc}$
and note that $P_1 = 0$ on the reflection symmetric surface



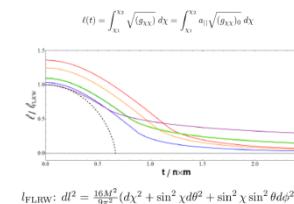
There is no gravitational radiation crossing these surfaces according to Bel's first criterion



Piecewise silence in discrete cosmological models



EVOLUTION OF THE EDGE LENGTH



$I(t) = \int_{X_0}^{X_1} \sqrt{g_{XX}} dX = \int_{X_0}^{X_1} a_{||} \sqrt{|g_{XX}|_0} dX$
 $I_{FLRW}: dI^2 = \frac{16M^2}{9\pi^2} (dx^2 + \sin^2 \chi d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$
 Legend: 5-cell (red), 8-cell (orange), 24-cell (green), 16-cell (yellow), 120-cell (blue), 600-cell (purple), closed Friedmann model with the same total proper mass (dotted).
 $n = \text{number of sources}$

6. Reduction of the equations

- Edges of the cells
- Curves that connect cell centres through cell faces
- Curves that connect cell centres with vertices

Evolution equations (ignoring curl H):

$$\begin{aligned} e_0(\mathcal{H}_{\perp}) + \mathcal{H}_{\perp}^2 &= -\frac{1}{3}E_+ \\ e_0(E_+) + 3\mathcal{H}_{\perp}E_+ &= 0 \\ e_0(\mathcal{H}_{||}) + \mathcal{H}_{||}^2 &= \frac{2}{3}E_+, \end{aligned}$$

where we have defined the Hubble expansion rates in the directions parallel and perpendicular to the LRS curve:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{||} &= \frac{1}{3}(\Theta - 2\sigma_+) \\ \mathcal{H}_{\perp} &= \frac{1}{3}(\Theta + \sigma_+) \end{aligned}$$

8. Interpretation of the results

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PROPERTIES OF THE FULL SPACETIME

- The big bang/crunch manifests itself at the marginally trapped surfaces of the black hole long before it is ever arrived at in the corresponding Friedmann solution
- The edges of the cells never become singular at any time during their evolution
- The corners of the lattice cells are strongly isometric to Minkowski space
- The relation $E \cdot H = 0$ holds on the cell faces due to reflection symmetry
- Gravitational waves are trapped within small chambers
- In these cosmological models large-scale acceleration is possible without any violation of the energy conditions
- The discrete symmetries impose these models to be piecewise silent (there is no gravitational radiation crossing the boundaries of the cells)