Encoding Cosmological Futures with Conformal Structures

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- 2. Framework of an Isotropic Past Singularity
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- 4. New definitions and their implications

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Summary of quiescent cosmology for the initial state

- thermal equilibrium and C_{abcd} bounded
- \Rightarrow spatial isotropy and homogeneity at *Big Bang*
- $\Rightarrow\,$ initial singularity must have been "isotropic" as in the FRW models

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2. The framework of the Isotropic Past Singularity

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 - 1. T cosmic time function on $(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}, \tilde{\mathbf{g}})$ and \mathcal{M} open submanifold T > 0.
 - 2. regularity condition for $\tilde{\mathbf{g}}$ on T = 0,
 - 3. $\Omega(0) = 0 \Rightarrow$ causes *IPS* at T = 0, and
 - 4. some general constraints on $\Omega(T)$.

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- important conclusion and justification of IPS definition: if conformal structure $\mathbf{g} = \Omega^2 (T) \tilde{\mathbf{g}}$ used in cosmology, then
 - 1. regular conformal relation for the (isotropic) initial state
 - 2. irregular conformal relation for the (anisotropic) final state

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Evolution of the curvature invariants, $R_{ab}R^{ab}$ and $C_{abcd}C^{abcd}$, in the Kantowski-Sachs models until the end of (a rescaled) cosmic time



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Evolution of the anisotropy-("gravitational entropy")-measure, $K = C_{abcd}C^{abcd}/R_{ab}R^{ab}$, in the Kantowski-Sachs models



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• define <u>causal degeneracy</u>: The metric g is said to be causally degenerate at $p \in F^+(\mathcal{M})$ if \exists causal curve γ_p with $\gamma'_p \neq 0$ which satisfies $\mathbf{g}(\gamma'_p, X) = 0 \forall X \in T_p \overline{\mathcal{M}}$ Anisotropic Future Singularity (AFS)

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- <u>conjecture</u>: combination of the IPS with the AFS and the AFEU provides first version of a complete formalisation of Quiescent Cosmology

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