

Asymptotically Safe gravitational collapse: Kuroda-Papapetrou RG-improved model

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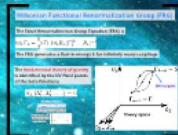
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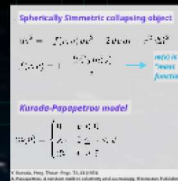
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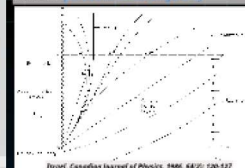
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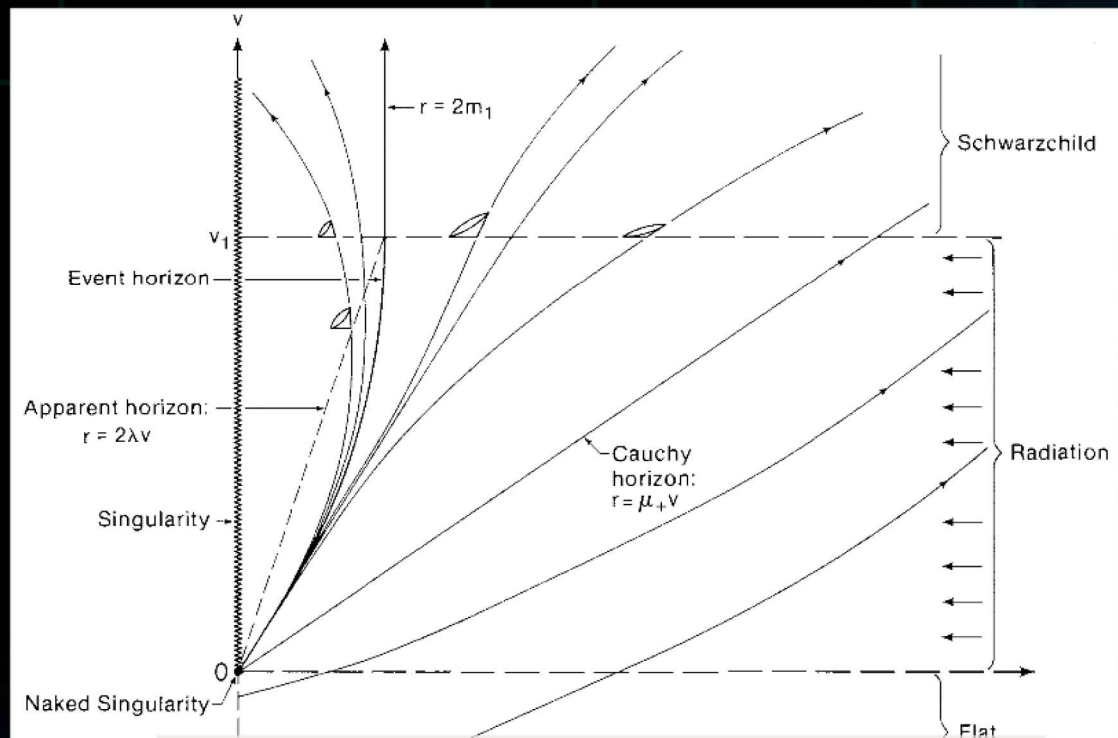
Kuroda-Papapetrou model

$$m(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & v < 0 \\ \lambda v & 0 \leq v < \bar{v} \\ \bar{m} & v \geq \bar{v} \end{cases}$$

Y. Kuroda, Prog. Theor. Phys. 72, 63 (1974)

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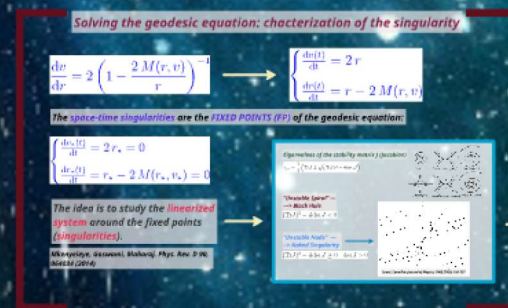
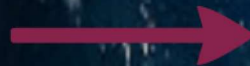
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The space-time singularities are the **FIXED POINTS (FP)** of the geodesic equation:

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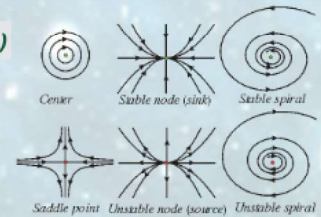
The idea is to study the **linearized system** around the fixed points (**singularities**).

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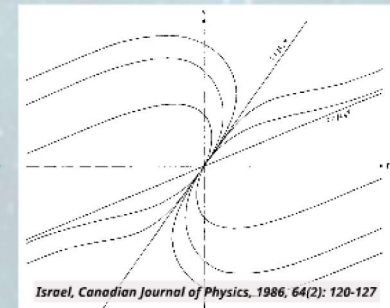


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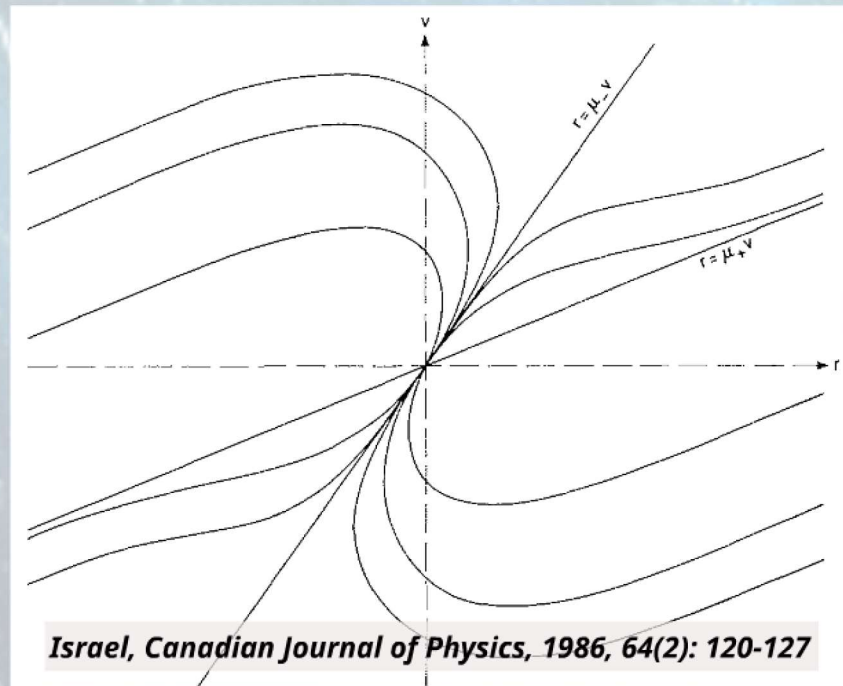
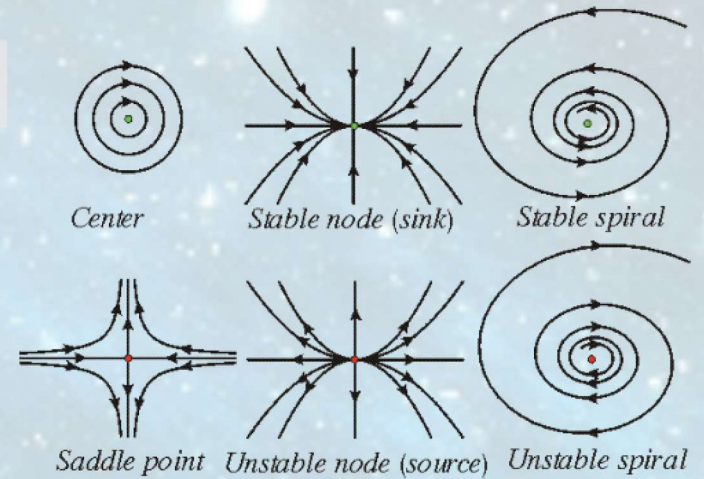
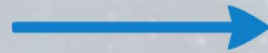
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Singularity strength

A singularity is said to be **strong** if an object falling into the singularity is destroyed by the gravitational tidal forces. Otherwise it is called weak or **integrable** (the space-time is extendable).

Mathematical characterization: singularity strength parameter

$$S = \frac{\dot{M}_{FP} X_{FP}^2}{2} \quad X_{FP} \equiv \lim_{(r,v) \rightarrow FP} \frac{v(r)}{r}$$

$S > 0$ ----> Strong Singularity

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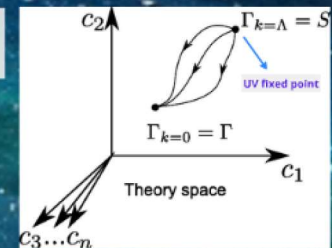
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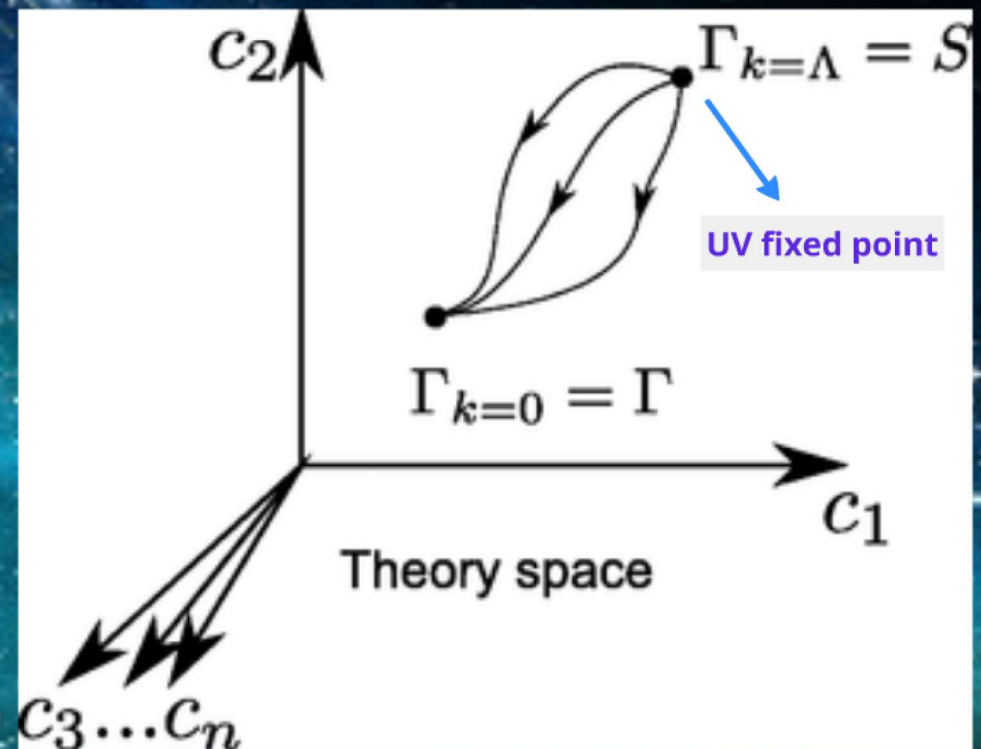
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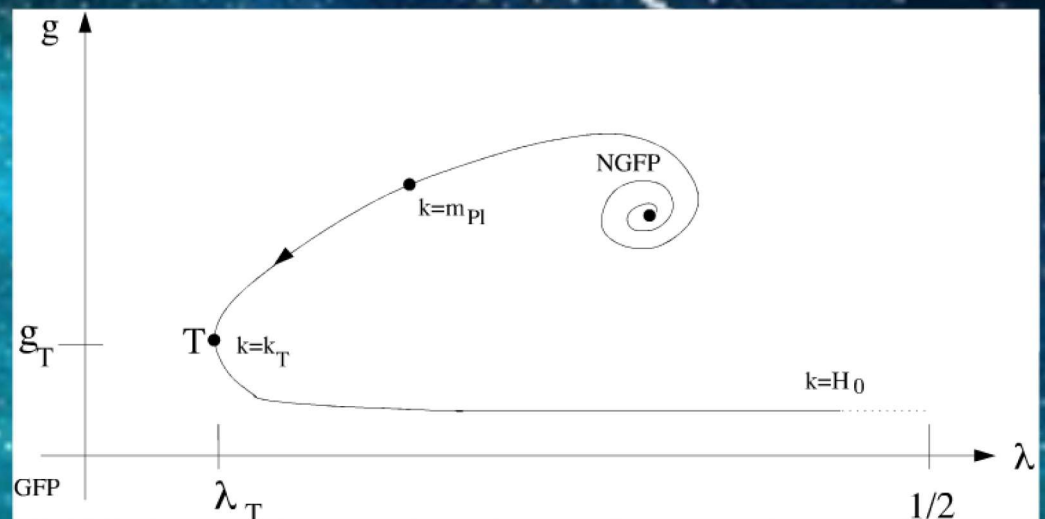
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$$\text{Tr}J = 1 \quad \det J = 4 \lambda G_0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \chi_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 16 \lambda G_0} \right)$$

The origin (0,0) is a **naked singularity** if $\lambda \leq \frac{1}{16 G_0}$, and $S > 0$

Improved Kuroda-Papapetrou model:

$$\text{Tr}J = 1 - \frac{2\lambda v_0 G_0}{\alpha \sqrt{\lambda}} \quad \det J \propto G(r)]_{r \rightarrow 0} = 0 \quad \text{Fixed Points line}$$

Strength: $S \propto G(0) = 0$ **Integrable!**

There is no dependence on the critical value λ_c

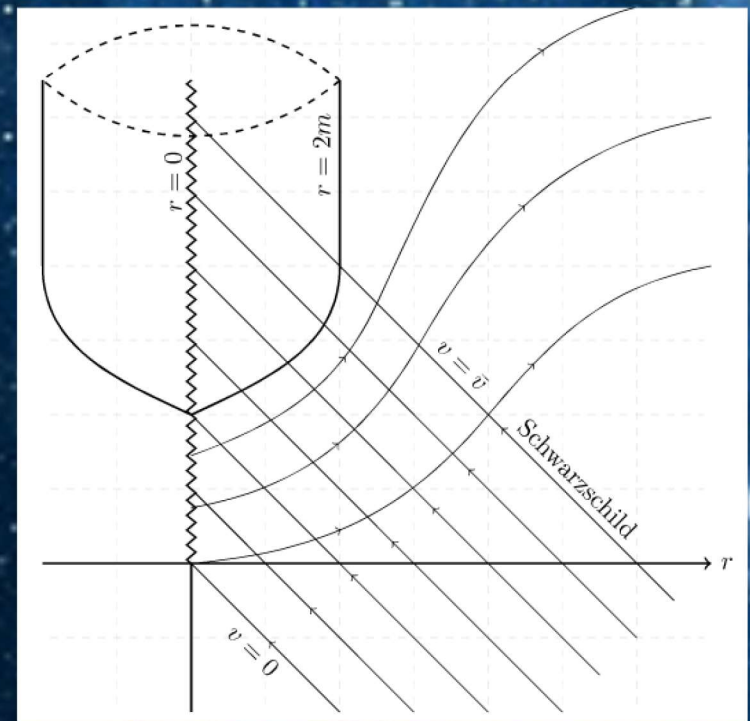
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Conclusions

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- We found that the only effect of a running Newton constant is to *turn a strong naked singularity into a line of integrable singularities*
- The space-time is then **extendable** beyond the singularity $r = 0$
- The presence of the limiting value λ_c is a purely **classical effect**: the formation of naked singularities in the KP model is due to the gravitational collapse dynamics in the classical region.