

Quantum Aspects of Black Holes, Lecture 13

In the previous lecture, we established the Raychaudhuri eqn.

We considered a congruence of geodesics with tangent vector given by ξ^a . If η^a was the "deviation" from one element of the congruence to another, we defined

$$\xi^a \nabla_a \eta^b = B_a{}^b \eta^a$$

We decomposed

$$B_{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \theta h_{ab} + \sigma_{ab} + \omega_{ab}$$

the term of greatest interest to us is $\theta \rightarrow$ the
expansion.

For congruences that were hypersurface orthogonal
we proved that

$$\frac{d\theta}{d\lambda} \leq -\frac{1}{2} \theta^2$$

so

$$\frac{1}{\theta_F} - \frac{1}{\theta_i} \leq \frac{1}{2} (\lambda_F - \lambda_i)$$

If Θ_i becomes negative at any point then in finite affine parameter, $\Theta_f \rightarrow -\infty$.

We can now turn to horizons and the area theorem.

Let us recall what the horizon is. A black hole is a region from where a particle cannot escape to asymptotic infinity in the future.

So the horizon is the boundary of the causal past of $\mathcal{I}^+$.

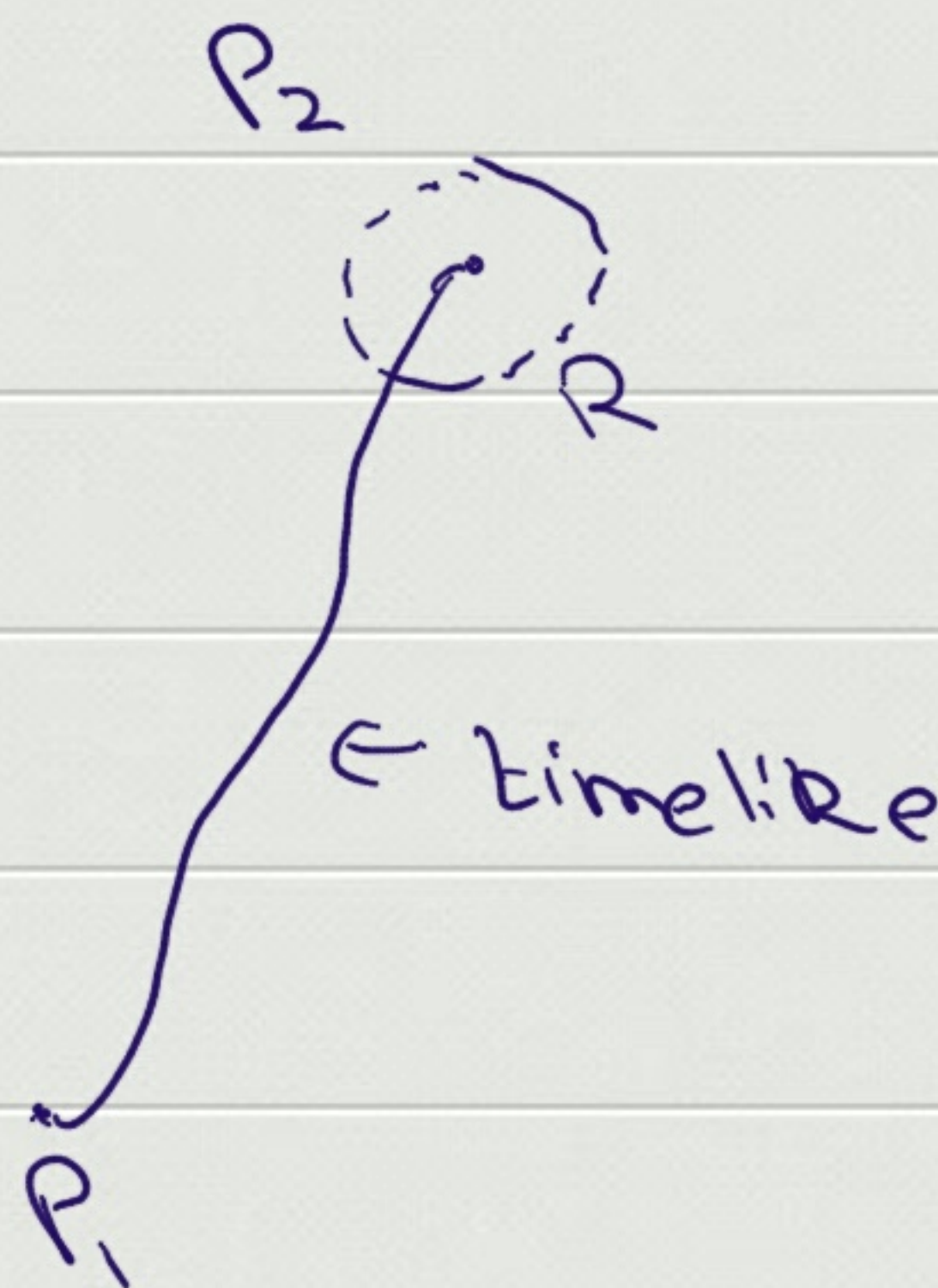


we will now prove that the horizon is made up of null-geodesics that do not intersect. The fact that it is a null hypersurface is also clear from the figure above.

A key intermediate result is that if event $P_1 \in H$ and $P_2 \in H$ then P_1 is not in the past of P_2 .

Proof:

Assume P_2 is in the future of P_1 , then a timelike curve connects P_1 to P_2



By continuity we have timelike curves connecting P_1 to a neighbourhood of P_2 . But the neighbourhood of P_2 intersects the causal past of g^+ .

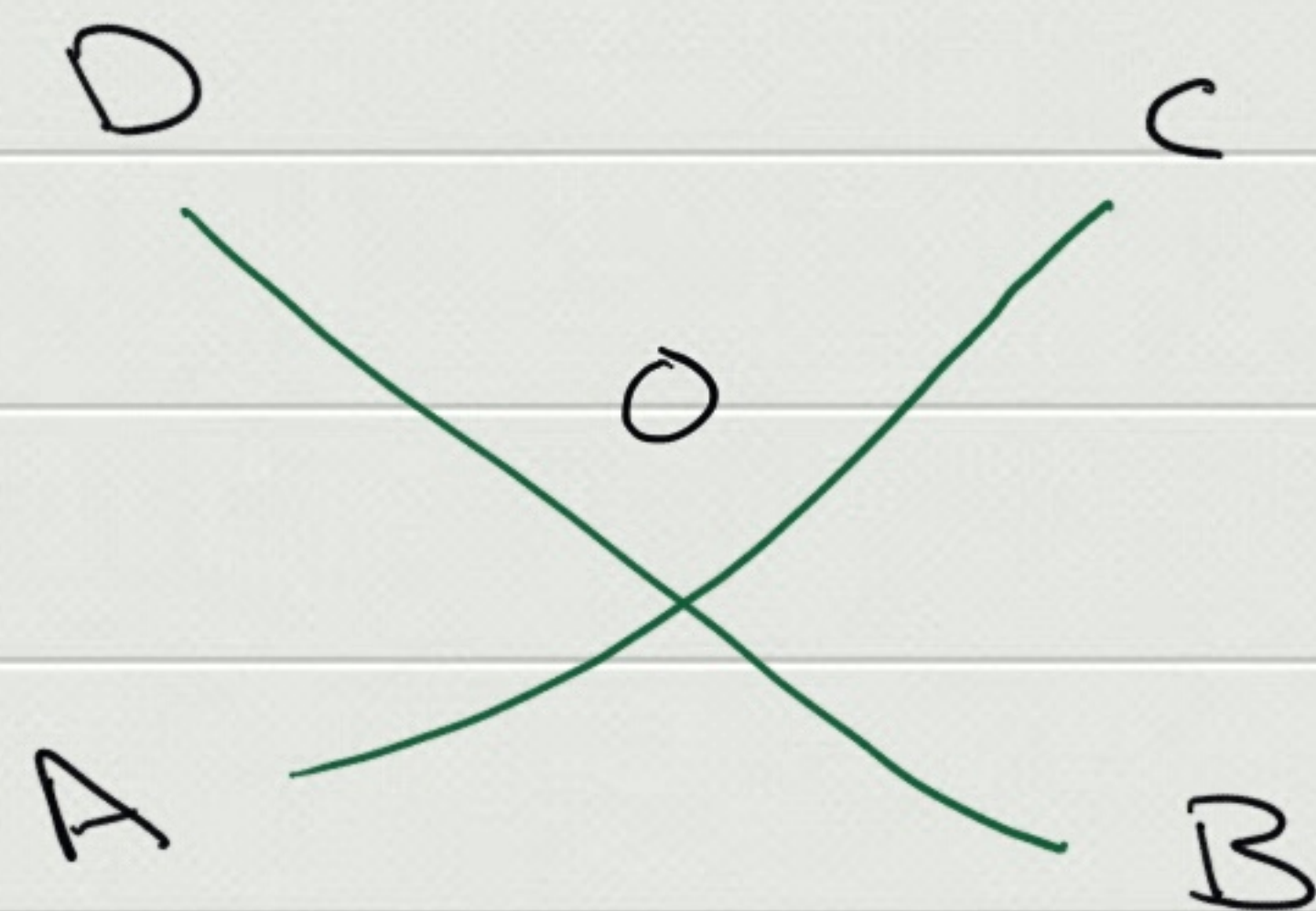
So some timelike curve connects P_1 to g^+ which contradicts the assumption that $P_1 \in H$.

Next notice that the horizon cannot be entirely a spacelike surface

This is because there is a pt P' in the neighbourhood of a point $P \in H$, there is a timelike curve connecting P' to g^+ . as we move P' to P , this curve becomes null

This null curve is on the boundary of the causal past of g^+ . So the horizon comprises null curves and spacelike curves.

Next, these null curves cannot intersect. Consider two null curves



IF AOC is lightlike and BOD is lightlike then there is a timelike curve from A to D .

Proof:

Move $A B C D$ infinitesimally close to O . AO and BD are future directed null vectors. So $(AO + BD)^2 < 0$
 $\Rightarrow AO + BD$ is timelike.

So the null generators of the horizon cannot intersect.

Finally, we prove that the null generators are
hypersurface orthogonal.

Say ξ^M is a null tangent vector to the horizon.

Now let's take a spacelike cut of the horizon. If

ξ^M is not orthogonal to this cut, we can write

$$\xi^M = h^M + o^M$$

where h^M is along the horizon and $\langle o, h \rangle = 0$.

h must be spacelike since the horizon has only spacelike
and null tangents.

But then $o^M = \zeta^M - h^M$ is also tangent to the horizon. But so o^M must also be spacelike.

But then

$$0 = \zeta^2 = (h^M + o^M)^2 = \langle h, h \rangle + \langle o, o \rangle + 2 \langle h, o \rangle$$

> 0 !

$\uparrow$
by
assumption

So the tangent vectors are hypersurface orthogonal.

Area Theorem

Now we reach the area theorem! Since the horizon is made of hypersurface orthogonal null geodesics if $\theta < 0$ at any point, the geodesics will either

(a) intersect $\leftarrow$ NOT ALLOWED

or (b) hit a physical singularity $\leftarrow$ NOT ALLOWED BY ASSUMPTION

$$\text{so } \theta \geq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dA}{d\lambda} \geq 0!$$

Q.E.D.

We now turn to the 0th and 1st laws.

The role of temperature is played by the
surface gravity.

For stationary black holes, there is a Killing vector field χ^a that becomes null at the horizon. This vector field is both tangent and normal to the horizon.

We already have the tangent + normal vector field that generates the horizon. So we just need to ensure that it is also a Killing vector for the geometry.

Let us examine the Schwarzschild black hole. The vector we are looking for is $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$.

But these coordinates are confusing. In which direction does $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ point at the horizon?

with $u = r_* - t$; $v = r_* + t$, we have

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial v} - \frac{\partial}{\partial u}$$

Recall we moved to kruskal coordinates

$$V_K = e^{2V} ; \quad U_K = -e^{2U}$$

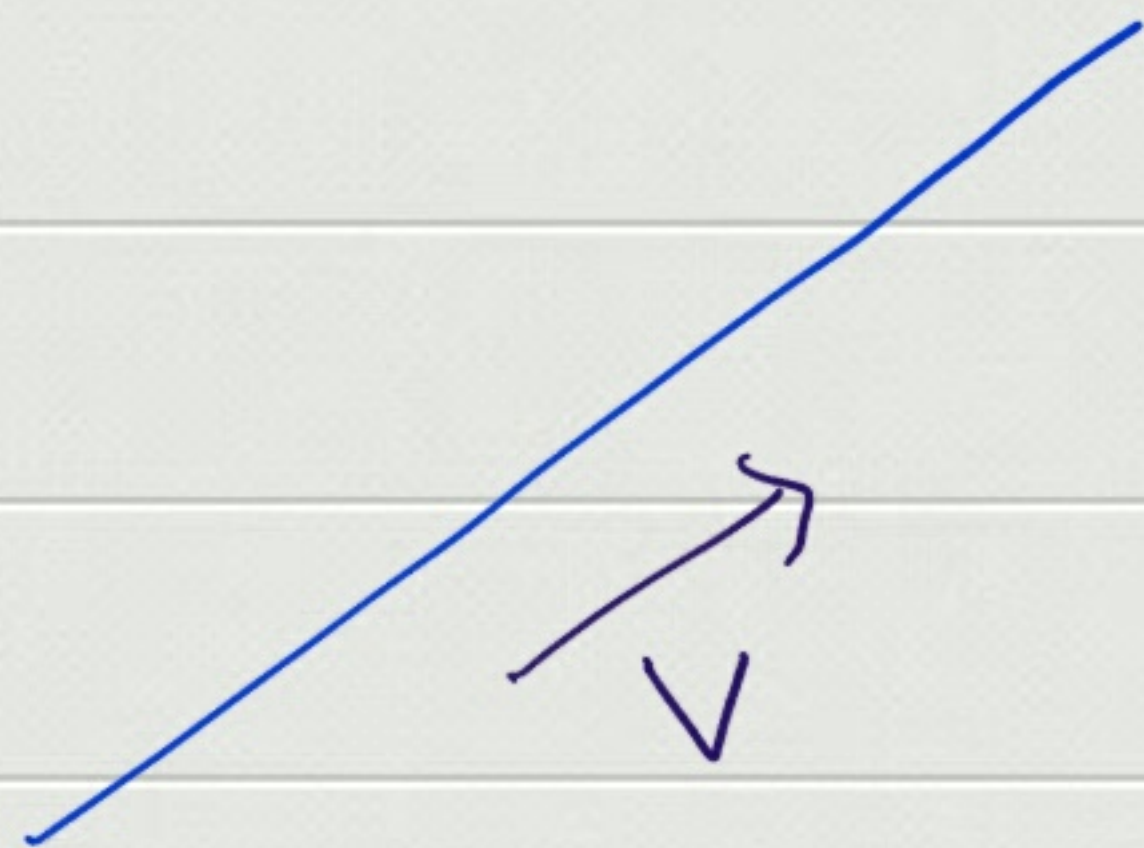
Then

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial V} = 2V_K \frac{\partial}{\partial V_K} ; \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial U} = 2U_K \frac{\partial}{\partial U_K}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} = 2V_K \frac{\partial}{\partial V_K} - 2U_K \frac{\partial}{\partial U_K}$$

$$\longrightarrow 2V_K \frac{\partial}{\partial V_K} \text{ at the horizon.}$$

So the picture is as follows



the vector χ is tangent (and normal!) to the horizon.

For stationary BH. such a normal killing vector always exists. This is very plausible. But we will not prove the existence of χ rigorously.

We normalize $\langle \chi, \frac{d}{dt} \rangle \rightarrow -1$ at infinity.

Since $\chi^a \chi_a = 0$, we must have

$$\nabla_\mu (\chi^a \chi_a)$$

is normal to the horizon.

So

$$\nabla_\mu (\chi^a \chi_a) = -2k \chi_\mu$$

Defⁿ of $k \rightarrow$ surface gravity.

We can also write

$$2\chi^a \nabla_\mu \chi_a = -2\chi^a \nabla_a \chi_\mu$$

Since $\nabla_\mu \chi_a + \nabla_a \chi_\mu = 0$, by Killing's eqn

so

$$\chi^a \nabla_a \chi_M = \kappa \chi_M$$

If we had parameterized geodesics on the horizon using an affine parameter, we would get 0 on the R.H.S.

κ measures the failure of the killing parameter to be an affine parameter. We have

$$\chi^M = \frac{dx^M}{dV} \quad dV \leftarrow \text{killing param}$$

If we set

$$\frac{d\lambda}{dv} = e^{kv} \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda = \frac{1}{k} e^{kv}$$

then

$$\frac{dx^m}{dv} = \frac{d\lambda}{dv} \frac{d}{d\lambda} = e^{kv} \frac{d}{d\lambda} x^m$$

So with

$$k^m = e^{-kv} \frac{dx^m}{dv} = e^{-kv} x^m$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{x^m = k \lambda k^m}$$

we have

$$k^r \nabla_r k^m = e^{-kv} x^r \nabla_r e^{-kv} x^m$$

$$= e^{-2kV} \left[x^r \nabla_r x^M + e^{kV} (x^r \nabla_r e^{-kV}) k^M \right]$$

But $x^r \nabla_r e^{-kV} = \frac{de^{-kV}}{dV} = -k e^{-kV}$

So

$$k^M \nabla_M k^r = 0!$$

So λ is an affine parameter

$$\boxed{\frac{d\lambda}{dV} = e^{-kV}}$$