

# Hessian symmetries of multifield cosmological models

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## Definition

A **scalar triple** is an ordered system  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$ , where:

- $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is an oriented Riemannian  $n$ -manifold (the *scalar manifold*)
- $V \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  is a smooth function defined on  $\mathcal{M}$  (the **scalar potential**).

## Assumptions

- 1  $\mathcal{M}$  is connected.
- 2  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is complete.
- 3  $V > 0$  on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

Each scalar triple defines a cosmological model with  $n$  real scalar fields:

$$\mathcal{S}_{\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V}[g, \varphi] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} d^4x \sqrt{|g|} \left[ \frac{R(g)}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}_g \varphi^*(\mathcal{G}) - V(\varphi) \right] \quad (1)$$

for a simply-connected and spatially flat FLRW universe:

$$ds_g^2 := -dt^2 + a^2(t) d\vec{x}^2 \quad (x^0 = t, \quad \vec{x} = (x^1, x^2, x^3), \quad a(t) > 0 \quad \forall t) \quad (2)$$

in which  $\varphi$  depends only on the cosmological time  $t$ :

$$\varphi = \varphi(t) \quad . \quad (3)$$

Substituting (2) and (3) in (1) and ignoring the integration over  $\vec{x}$  gives the **minisuperspace action**:

$$S_{\mathcal{M},g,v}[a, \varphi] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt L_{\mathcal{M},g,v}(a(t), \varphi(t), \dot{\varphi}(t)) \quad ,$$

where the **minisuperspace Lagrangian** is:

$$L_{\mathcal{M},g,v}(a, \varphi, \dot{\varphi}) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} -3a\dot{a}^2 + a^3 \left[ \frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\varphi}\|_g^2 - V(\varphi) \right] = a^3 \left[ -3H^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\varphi}\|_g^2 - V(\varphi) \right] \quad .$$

Here  $\dot{\varphi} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \frac{d\varphi}{dt}$  and  $H \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$  is the Hubble parameter. This Lagrangian describes a classical system with  $n+1$  degrees of freedom and configuration space  $\mathcal{N} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \mathbb{R}_{>0} \times \mathcal{M}$ . The Euler-Lagrange equations are equivalent with:

$$\begin{aligned} 3H^2 + 2\dot{H} + \frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\varphi}\|_g^2 - V(\varphi) &= 0 \\ (\nabla_t + 3H)\dot{\varphi} + (\text{grad}_g V)(\varphi) &= 0 \quad . \end{aligned}$$

We must also impose the **Friedmann constraint**:

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\varphi}\|_g^2 + V \circ \varphi = 3H^2 \quad ,$$

which amounts to the zero energy condition.

## Proposition

When supplemented with the Friedmann constraint, the Euler-Lagrange equations of  $L_{\mathcal{M},g,V}$  are equivalent with the *cosmological equations*:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_t \dot{\varphi} + 3H\dot{\varphi} + (\text{grad}_g V) \circ \varphi &= 0 \\ \dot{H} + 3H^2 - V \circ \varphi &= 0 \\ \dot{H} + \frac{1}{2} \|\dot{\varphi}\|_g^2 &= 0 . \end{aligned}$$

## Remark

One can eliminate  $H$  algebraically from the cosmological equations as:

$$H(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \epsilon(t) \left[ \|\dot{\varphi}(t)\|_g^2 + 2V(\varphi(t)) \right]^{1/2}, \text{ where } \epsilon(t) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \text{sign}H(t) \in \{-1, 0, 1\},$$

thereby reducing the latter to the  $n$ -component second order autonomous nonlinear ODE:

$$\nabla_t \dot{\varphi}(t) + \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \epsilon(t) \left[ \|\dot{\varphi}(t)\|_g^2 + 2V(\varphi(t)) \right]^{1/2} \dot{\varphi}(t) + (\text{grad}_g V)(\varphi(t)) = 0$$

which defines a (dissipative) *geometric dynamical system* on  $T\mathcal{M}$ .

## Definition

A strict variational symmetry  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathcal{X}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{N})$  of the minisuperspace system is called **strong** if it is the lift of a vector field  $X \in \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{N})$  defined on  $\mathcal{N}$ .

We have a natural decomposition:

$$T\mathcal{N} = T_{\perp}\mathcal{N} \oplus T_{\parallel}\mathcal{N} ,$$

where:

$$T_{\perp}\mathcal{N} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} p_1^*(T\mathbb{R}) , \quad T_{\parallel}\mathcal{N} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} p_2^*(T\mathcal{M}) \quad (p_1 : T\mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, p_2 : T\mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}) .$$

Accordingly,  $X \in \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{N})$  decomposes as:

$$X = X_{\perp} + X_{\parallel} .$$

In local coordinates  $(U, a, \varphi^i)$  on  $\mathcal{N}$ , we have:

$$X_{\perp}(a, \varphi) = X^a(a, \varphi) \frac{\partial}{\partial a} , \quad X_{\parallel} = X^i(a, \varphi) \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi^i} .$$

The Noether symmetry condition is:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{X}^1}(L) = 0 , \quad \text{where } \mathbf{X}^1 = j^1(\mathbf{X}) .$$

## Theorem

For the minisuperspace Lagrangian, the Noether symmetry condition amounts to the requirement that  $X_{\perp}$  and  $X_{\parallel}$  have the following forms:

$$X_{\perp}(a, \varphi) = \frac{\Lambda(\varphi)}{\sqrt{a}} \partial_a \quad , \quad X_{\parallel}(a, \varphi) = Y(\varphi) - \frac{4}{a^{3/2}} (\text{grad}_{\mathcal{G}} \Lambda)(\varphi) \quad ,$$

where  $\Lambda \in C^{\infty}(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  and  $Y \in \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{M})$  satisfy the *characteristic system* of the scalar triple  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hess}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda) &= \frac{3}{8} \mathcal{G} \Lambda \quad , \quad \mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{G}}(Y) = 0 \\ \langle dV, d\Lambda \rangle_{\mathcal{G}} &= \frac{3}{4} V \Lambda \quad , \quad Y(V) = 0 \quad . \end{aligned}$$

which can also be written in the index-full form:

$$\begin{aligned} (\partial_i \partial_j - \Gamma_{ij}^k \partial_k) \Lambda &= \frac{3}{8} \mathcal{G}_{ij} \Lambda \quad , \quad \nabla_i Y_j + \nabla_j Y_i = 0 \\ \mathcal{G}^{ij} \partial_i V \partial_j \Lambda &= \frac{3}{4} V \Lambda \quad , \quad Y^i \partial_i V = 0 \quad . \end{aligned}$$

The characteristic system naturally separates into the  $\Lambda$ -system:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Hess}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda) &= \frac{3}{8}\mathcal{G}\Lambda \\ \langle dV, d\Lambda \rangle_{\mathcal{G}} &= \frac{3}{4}V\Lambda\end{aligned}$$

and the  $Y$ -system:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{K}_{\mathcal{G}}(Y) &= 0 \\ Y(V) &= 0\end{aligned}$$

## Definition

A non-trivial solution  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  of the  $\Lambda$ -system is called a **Hessian symmetry** of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$ . A scalar triple which admits Hessian symmetries is called a **Hessian triple**.

## Definition

A non-trivial solution  $Y \in \mathcal{X}(\mathcal{M})$  of the  $Y$ -system is called a **visible symmetry** of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$ . A triple which admits visible symmetries is called a **visibly symmetric triple**.



Let  $N(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$  denote the vector space of solutions of the characteristic system and  $N_H(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$ ,  $N_V(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$  denote the vector spaces of solutions of the  $\Lambda$ - and  $Y$ -systems.

## Proposition

*There exists a linear isomorphism:*

$$N(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V) \simeq_{\mathbb{R}} N_H(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V) \oplus N_V(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V) .$$

*In particular, a scalar triple  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$  admits strong Noether symmetries iff it is Hessian or visibly symmetric (or both).*

A generic scalar triple  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}, V)$  does not admit any strong Noether symmetries. Since existence of visible symmetries is a classical problem, **we focus on characterizing Hessian symmetries and Hessian scalar triples.**

## Remark

*Existence of a Hessian Noether symmetry simplifies various cosmological problems, for example allows one to give a useful exact formula for the total number of  $e$ -folds during inflation, which is valid without 'slow roll' or 'slow turn' assumptions.*

One can solve second equation in the  $\Lambda$ -system through the [method of characteristics](#). Let  $\gamma$  be a gradient flow curve of  $\Lambda$  with gradient flow parameter  $q$ :

$$\frac{d\gamma(q)}{dq} = -(\text{grad}_g \Lambda)(\gamma(q)) .$$

The second equation of the  $\Lambda$ -system (4) implies:

$$\frac{d}{dq} V(\gamma(q)) = -\langle dV, d\Lambda \rangle \Big|_{\gamma(q)} = -\frac{3}{4} V(\gamma(q)) ,$$

which gives:

$$V(\gamma(q)) = V(\gamma(q_0)) e^{-\frac{3}{4} \int_{\gamma}^{q_0} \Lambda dq} .$$

This determines  $V$  along the stable and unstable manifolds (with respect to  $\Lambda$ ) of any critical point  $c$  of  $\Lambda$ . If  $p_+$  lies in the stable manifold  $\mathcal{M}_+^\Lambda(c)$  of  $c$ , then there exists a gradient flow line  $\gamma : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\gamma(0) = p_+$  and  $\gamma(+\infty) = c$ . If  $p_-$  lies in the unstable manifold  $\mathcal{M}_-^\Lambda(c)$  of  $c$ , then there exists a gradient flow line  $\gamma : (-\infty, 0] \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  of  $\Lambda$  such that  $\gamma(0) = p_-$  and  $\gamma(-\infty) = c$ . In these cases, we have:

$$V(p_\pm) = V(c) e^{\pm \frac{3}{4} \int_\gamma \Lambda dq} .$$

## Definition

The **Hessian endomorphism**  $\widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda) \in \text{End}_{\mathcal{G}}^s(T\mathcal{M})$  of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is defined by:

$$\text{Hess}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda)(X, Y) = \mathcal{G}(X, \widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda)(Y)) \quad , \quad \forall X, Y \in \mathcal{X}(T\mathcal{M}) \quad .$$

The ( $\mathbb{R}$ -linear) **Hesse operator**  $\widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}} : \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \text{End}_{\mathcal{G}}^s(T\mathcal{M})$  of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  associates to  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(T\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  its Hessian endomorphism  $\widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda)$ .

In local coordinates  $(U, x^1, \dots, x^n)$  on  $\mathcal{M}$ , we have:

$$\widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda)|_U = \widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda)_i^j dx^i \otimes \partial_j \quad , \quad \text{where} \quad \widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda)_i^j = \mathcal{G}^{jk} \left[ \partial_i \partial_k - \Gamma_{ik}^l \partial_l \right] \Lambda \quad .$$

## Definition

A **Hesse function** of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  with parameter  $\beta > 0$  is a smooth function  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  which satisfies the **Hesse equation with parameter  $\beta$** :

$$\text{Hess}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda) = \beta^2 \Lambda \mathcal{G} \iff \widehat{\text{Hess}}_{\mathcal{G}}(\Lambda) = \beta^2 \Lambda \text{id}_{T\mathcal{M}} \quad .$$

A **unit Hesse function** of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is a Hesse function  $\Lambda$  of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  for  $\beta = 1$ .

**Remark.** In our application to cosmological models we have  $\beta = \sqrt{3/8}$ .

## Definition

Let  $\mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  be the vector space of solutions of the Hesse equation with parameter  $\beta$ . The **Hesse index** of  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is  $\text{ind}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \dim \mathcal{S}_1(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$ . A **Hesse manifold** is a Riemannian manifold  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  for which  $\text{ind}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) > 0$ .

## Proposition

We have  $\mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) = \mathcal{S}_1(\mathcal{M}, \beta^2 \mathcal{G})$ .

## Proposition

The following statements hold for any  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \setminus \{0\}$ :

1. The set  $Z(\Lambda) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{p \in \mathcal{M} \mid \Lambda(p) = (d\Lambda)(p) = 0\}$  is empty.
2. The  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear map  $e_p : \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \oplus T_p \mathcal{M}$  defined through:

$$e_p(\Lambda) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \beta \Lambda(p) + (\text{grad}_{\mathcal{G}} \Lambda)(p) \in \mathbb{R} \oplus T_p \mathcal{M} \quad , \quad \forall \Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$$

is injective for every  $p \in \mathcal{M}$ . Thus  $\text{ind}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \leq 1 + \dim \mathcal{M}$ .

## Definition

We say that  $(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is **maximally Hesse** if  $\text{ind}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) = 1 + \dim \mathcal{M}$ .

Let  $r_{\mathcal{G}}(p) = \text{inrad}_p(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$ ,  $(r, \theta) \in (0, r_{\mathcal{G}}(p)) \times [0, \pi]^{n-2} \times (\mathbb{R}/2\pi)$  be **normal spherical coordinates at  $p$** ,  $\nu(\theta) \in S^{n-1}$ ,  $u(r, \theta) = r\nu(\theta) \in B^n(r_{\mathcal{G}}(p))$  and  $q(r, \theta) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \exp_p(u(r, \theta)) \in U_p \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \exp_p(u(B^n(r_{\mathcal{G}}(p))))$ .

## Proposition (Local radial expansion of Hesse functions)

Let  $\Lambda \in C^\infty(U_p, \mathbb{R})$  be a Hesse function of  $(U_p, \mathcal{G}|_{U_p})$ . Then:

$$\Lambda(q(r, \theta)) = \Lambda(p) \cosh(\beta r) + \frac{1}{\beta} (\partial_r \Lambda)(p) \sinh(\beta r) .$$

Moreover,  $\Lambda$  is identically zero or is a Morse function.

## Proposition (Sectional curvature condition on Hesse manifolds)

Let  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \setminus \{0\}$ . Then the following open set is non-empty:

$$U(\Lambda) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{p \in \mathcal{M} | (d\Lambda)(p) \neq 0\} = \{p \in \mathcal{M} | (\text{grad}_{\mathcal{G}} \Lambda)(p) \neq 0\}$$

For any  $p \in U(\Lambda)$  and any 2-plane  $\pi \subset T_p \mathcal{M}$  containing  $(\text{grad}_{\mathcal{G}} \Lambda)(p)$ , we have  $K_p(\pi) = -\beta^2$ , where  $K_p(\pi)$  denotes the sectional curvature.

## Definition

The  $\beta$ -Hesse pairing of two smooth functions  $f_1, f_2 \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  is the smooth function  $\mathcal{B}_\beta(f_1, f_2) \in C^\infty(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  defined through:

$$\mathcal{B}_\beta(f_1, f_2) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \beta^2 f_1 f_2 - \langle \text{grad}_G f_1, \text{grad}_G f_2 \rangle_G .$$

## Proposition

Let  $\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2 \in \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$ . Then  $\mathcal{B}_\beta(\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2)$  is constant on  $\mathcal{M}$ .

Hence restriction to  $\mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  gives a real-valued bilinear pairing:

$$(\ , \ )_\beta : \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \times \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} , \quad (\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2)_\beta \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \mathcal{B}_\beta(\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2) .$$

For  $p \in \mathcal{M}$ , let  $(\ , \ )_p : (\mathbb{R} \oplus T_p \mathcal{M}) \times (\mathbb{R} \oplus T_p \mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the Minkowski pairing:

$$(\tau_1 + v_1, \tau_2 + v_2)_p \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \tau_1 \tau_2 - \mathcal{G}_p(v_1, v_2) , \quad \forall \tau_1, \tau_2 \in \mathbb{R} , \quad \forall v_1, v_2 \in T_p \mathcal{M} .$$

## Proposition

For any  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_1(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  and  $p \in \mathcal{M}$ , the map  $e_p : (\mathcal{S}_1(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}), (\ , \ )_1) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R} \oplus T_p \mathcal{M}, (\ , \ )_p)$  is an injective isometry.

The isometry group  $\text{Iso}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  acts naturally on  $\mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$ :

$$\varphi^*(f) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} f \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \forall \varphi \in \text{Iso}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R}) .$$

This action preserves the subspace  $\mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \subset \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathcal{M}, \mathbb{R})$  and restricts to a linear representation  $\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{G} : \text{Iso}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}))$  of the isometry group, called the **Hesse representation**:

$$\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{G}(\varphi)(f) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \varphi^*(f) = f \circ \varphi^{-1}, \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G}) .$$

## Proposition

*The Hesse representation is  $(\cdot, \cdot)_\beta$ -orthogonal, i.e. any representation operator  $\mathcal{R}_\mathcal{G}(\varphi)$  ( $\varphi \in \text{Iso}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$ ) preserves the Hesse pairing.*

## Definition

A Hesse function  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_\beta(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  is called:

- **time-like**, if  $(\Lambda, \Lambda)_\mathcal{S} > 0$
- **space-like**, if  $(\Lambda, \Lambda)_\mathcal{S} < 0$
- **light-like**, if  $(\Lambda, \Lambda)_\mathcal{S} = 0$ .

# The hyperbolic ball

Let  $D^n \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{u \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid 0 \leq \|u\|_E < 1\}$  ( $\|u\|_E \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \sqrt{u_1^2 + \dots + u_n^2}$ ).

## Definition

The **hyperbolic ball** is the complete Riemannian manifold:

$$D^n \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} (D^n, G_n) ,$$

where  $G_n$  be the **Poincaré ball metric**, i.e. the unique complete metric on  $D^n$  of constant sectional curvature  $K_{G_n} = -1$ .

We have:

$$ds_{G_n}^2 = \frac{4}{(1 - \|u\|_E^2)^2} \sum_{i=1}^n du_i^2 = \frac{4}{(1 - \rho^2)^2} (d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\theta^2) ,$$

where  $(\rho, \theta)$  are spherical coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , with  $\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_{n-1})$  and:

$$d\theta^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} h_i^2(\theta) d\theta_i^2$$

is the squared line element on  $S^{n-1}$ , with Lamé coefficients  $h_1(\theta) = 1$  and:

$$h_i(\theta) = \prod_{j \leq i-1} \sin(\theta_j) , \quad \forall i = 2, \dots, n .$$



Consider the  $(n+1)$ -dimensional Minkowski space  $\mathbb{R}^{1,n} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} (\mathbb{R}^{n+1}, (\cdot, \cdot))$ , where:

$$(x, y) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} x_0 y_0 - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = \eta^{\mu\nu} x_\mu x_\nu .$$

Define  $\vec{x} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} (x^1, \dots, x^n)$ , so that  $x = (x^0, \vec{x})$  and  $(x, y) = x^0 y^0 - \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$ , where  $\cdot$  denotes the Euclidean scalar product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $S_n^+$  denote the future sheet of the hyperboloid  $(x, x) = 1$ :

$$S_n^+ \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} | (x, x) = 1 \ \& \ x_0 > 0\} = \left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} | x_0 = \sqrt{1 + x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}\right\} .$$

For any  $x \in S_n^+$ , define  $u_i \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \frac{x_i}{x_0 + 1}$ . Then  $S_n^+$  is diffeomorphic with  $\mathbb{D}^n$  through the **Weierstrass map**  $\Xi : \mathbb{D}^n \rightarrow S_n^+$ , which is given by:

$$\Xi(u) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \left( \frac{1 + \|u\|_E^2}{1 - \|u\|_E^2}, \frac{2u_1}{1 - \|u\|_E^2}, \dots, \frac{2u_n}{1 - \|u\|_E^2} \right) .$$

The components  $\Xi^\nu(u)$  satisfy the relation  $\eta_{\mu\nu} \Xi^\mu(u) \Xi^\nu(u) = -1$  and are **Weierstrass coordinates** of  $u \in \mathbb{D}^n$ . Moreover,  $\Xi$  is an isometry from  $\mathbb{D}^n$  to  $S_n^+$ , when  $S_n^+$  is endowed with the Riemannian metric induced by the opposite of the Minkowski metric  $(\cdot, \cdot)$ .

## Theorem

The hyperbolic ball  $\mathbb{D}^n$  is a maximally Hesse manifold. Moreover, the family  $\mathcal{E} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} (\Xi^\mu)_{\mu=0,\dots,n}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $(\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n), (\cdot, \cdot)_1)$ :

$$(\Xi^\mu, \Xi^\nu)_1 = \eta^{\mu\nu} \quad , \quad \forall \mu, \nu = 0, \dots, n \quad .$$

In particular, we have  $(\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n), (\cdot, \cdot)_1) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{1,n}$ .

Hence a Hesse function on  $\mathbb{D}^n$  has the general form:

$$\Lambda_B = (B, \Xi) = B_\mu \Xi^\mu = \eta_{\mu\nu} B^\mu \Xi^\nu \quad (B \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}) \quad .$$

The map  $\Lambda : \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)$  given by  $\Lambda(B) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \Lambda_B$  is a linear isomorphism.

## Proposition

The Hesse pairing of  $\mathbb{D}^n$  is given by:

$$(\Lambda_{B_1}, \Lambda_{B_2})_{\mathcal{S}} = (B_1, B_2) \quad , \quad \forall B_1, B_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \quad .$$

Thus  $\Lambda : \mathbb{R}^{1,n} = (\mathbb{R}^{n+1}, (\cdot, \cdot)) \rightarrow (\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n), (\cdot, \cdot)_1)$  is an isometry.

$\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^n) = \text{Iso}_o(\mathbb{D}^n) \simeq \text{SO}^+(1, n) = \text{O}_o(1, n)$  acts on  $\mathbb{R}^{n+1}$  (and hence on the hyperboloid model  $S_n^+$ ) through the fundamental representation:

$$\mathbb{R}^{n+1} \ni x \rightarrow Ux \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \quad , \quad \forall U \in \text{SO}^+(1, n) \quad .$$

The natural action  $u \rightarrow \varphi_U(u)$  of  $\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^n)$  on  $\mathbb{D}^n$  is uniquely determined by:

$$\Xi(\varphi_U(u)) = U\Xi(u) \quad , \quad \forall U \in \text{SO}^+(1, n) \quad .$$

## Proposition

*The Hesse representation of  $\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^n) = \text{SO}^+(1, n)$  is equivalent with the fundamental representation of  $\text{SO}^+(1, n)$  through the map  $\Lambda$ :*

$$\mathcal{R}(U)(\Lambda_B) = \Lambda_{U(B)} \quad , \quad \forall B \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} \quad , \quad \forall U \in \text{SO}^+(1, n) \quad .$$

## Proposition

1. Two time-like Hesse functions  $\Lambda_B, \Lambda_{B'} \in \mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)$  lie on the same orbit iff  $(B, B) = (B', B') (> 0)$  and  $\text{sign}(B^0) = \text{sign}(B'^0)$ . The set of time-like orbits of  $\text{Iso}_+(\mathbb{D})$  on  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)$  is in bijection with  $\{-1, 1\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . The time-like orbit corresponding to  $(\epsilon, K) \in \{-1, 1\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  is diffeomorphic with the sheet  $\text{sign}(B^0) = \epsilon$  of the two-sheeted hyperboloid  $(B, B) = K$ .
2. Two space-like Hesse functions  $\Lambda_B, \Lambda_{B'} \in \mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)$  lie on the same orbit iff  $(B, B) = (B', B') (< 0)$ . The set of space-like orbits of  $\text{Iso}_+(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{G})$  on  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)$  is in bijection with  $\mathbb{R}_{<0}$ . The space-like orbit corresponding to  $K \in \mathbb{R}_{<0}$  is diffeomorphic with the one-sheeted hyperboloid  $(B, B) = K$ .
3. There exist exactly two non-trivial light-like orbits of  $\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^n)$  on  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)$ , which coincide with the connected components of the complement of the origin in the light cone.

Up to conjugation  $\sim$  in  $\text{SO}^+(1, n)$ , we have:

$$\text{Stab}_{\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^n)}(\Lambda_B) \sim \begin{cases} \text{SO}(n) & \text{if } (B, B) > 0 \text{ (time-like)} \\ \text{SO}^+(1, n-1) & \text{if } (B, B) < 0 \text{ (space-like)} \\ \text{ISO}_o(n-1) & \text{if } (B, B) = 0 \text{ (light-like)} \end{cases},$$

where  $\text{ISO}_o(n-1)$  is the special Euclidean group in  $n-1$  dimensions.

Any hyperbolic  $n$ -manifold is a Riemannian quotient  $(\mathcal{M}, G) = \mathbb{D}^n / \Gamma$  of the Poincaré ball  $\mathbb{D}^n$  by a discrete subgroup  $\Gamma \subset \text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^n) \simeq \text{SO}^+(1, n)$ . Let  $\pi : \mathbb{D}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{M}$  be the canonical projection. When  $n \geq 3$ , Mostow's rigidity theorem implies that  $(\mathcal{M}, G)$  is determined by  $\pi_1(\mathcal{M}) \simeq \Gamma$  up to isometry; when  $n = 2$ , the hyperbolic metric  $G$  can have moduli. Let  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)^\Gamma$  be the space of  $\Gamma$ -invariant Hesse functions on  $\mathbb{D}^n$ .

### Theorem

The map  $\pi^* : \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathcal{M}) \rightarrow \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{D}^n)^\Gamma$  defined through:

$$\pi^*(\Lambda) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \Lambda \circ \pi$$

induces a linear isomorphism from  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathcal{M}, G)$  to  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^n)^\Gamma$ . In particular,  $(\mathcal{M}, G)$  is a Hesse manifold iff  $\Gamma$  conjugates in  $\text{SO}^+(1, n)$  to a discrete subgroup of  $\text{SO}^+(1, n)$ ,  $\text{ISO}_o(n-1)$  or  $\text{SO}(n)$ .

Consider the open disk of unit Euclidean radius in the complex  $u$ -plane:

$$D^2 \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{u \in \mathbb{C} \mid 0 \leq |u| < 1\} .$$

The *Poincaré disk metric* is:

$$ds_{G_2}^2 = \frac{4}{(1 - |u|^2)^2} |du|^2 = \frac{4}{(1 - \rho^2)^2} (d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\theta^2) ,$$

where  $\rho \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} |u|$  and  $\theta \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \arg(u) \in [0, 2\pi)$  are polar coordinates on the  $u$ -plane. We have:

$$\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^2) \simeq \text{PSL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \simeq \text{PSU}(1, 1) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \text{SU}(1, 1) / \{-I_2, I_2\} ,$$

where  $\text{SU}(1, 1) \simeq \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R})$  is the closed subgroup of  $\text{SL}(2, \mathbb{C})$  defined through:

$$\text{SU}(1, 1) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{U \in \text{Mat}(2, \mathbb{C}) \mid U^\dagger = JU^{-1}J \ \& \ \det U = +1\} .$$

The matrix  $J \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  satisfies  $J^\dagger = J = J^{-1}$ . We have:

$$\text{SU}(1, 1) = \{U(\eta, \sigma) \mid \eta, \sigma \in \mathbb{C} : |\eta|^2 - |\sigma|^2 = 1\} ,$$

where  $U(\eta, \sigma) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \begin{bmatrix} \eta & \sigma \\ \bar{\sigma} & \bar{\eta} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\text{SU}(1, 1)$  acts on  $D^2$  through:

$$\varphi_U(u) = \frac{\eta u + \sigma}{\bar{\sigma} u + \bar{\eta}} \quad (u \in D) .$$

Consider the future sheet of the hyperboloid  $(x, x) = 1$  in  $\mathbb{R}^{1,2} = (\mathbb{R}^3, (\cdot, \cdot))$ :

$$S_2^+ \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 | (x, x) = 1 \ \& \ x_0 > 0\} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 | x_0 = \sqrt{1 + x_1^2 + x_2^2}\} .$$

The **Weierstrass map**  $\Xi : D^2 \rightarrow S_2^+$  is given by:

$$\Xi(u) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \left( \frac{1 + |u|^2}{1 - |u|^2}, \frac{2\text{Re}u}{1 - |u|^2}, \frac{2\text{Im}u}{1 - |u|^2} \right) .$$

The components  $\Xi^\mu(u)$  are the **Weierstrass coordinates** of  $u \in D^2$ .

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$\mathcal{E} \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} (\Xi^0, \Xi^1, \Xi^2)$  is an orthonormal basis of the 3-dimensional Minkowski space  $(S_1(\mathbb{D}^2), (\cdot, \cdot)_1)$ :

$$(\Xi^\mu, \Xi^\nu)_1 = \eta^{\mu\nu} \quad , \quad \forall \mu, \nu = 0, 1, 2 .$$

Hence the general Hesse function on  $D^2$  has the form:

$$\Lambda_B(u) = (B, \Xi(u)) = B_\mu \Xi^\mu(u) = B^0 \frac{1 + |u|^2}{1 - |u|^2} - 2B^1 \frac{\text{Re}u}{1 - |u|^2} - 2B^2 \frac{\text{Im}u}{1 - |u|^2}$$

with arbitrary  $B = (B^0, B^1, B^2) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . The unit Hesse pairing is given by:

$$(\Lambda_B, \Lambda_{B'})_1 = (B, B') = \eta_{\mu\nu} B^\mu B'^\nu .$$

## Proposition

*The Hesse representation of  $\text{Iso}^+(\mathbb{D}^2) = \text{PSU}(1, 1)$  is induced by the adjoint representation of  $\text{SU}(1, 1)$ .*

We have:

$$\Xi(\varphi_U(u)) = \text{Ad}_0(U)(\Xi(u)) , \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{D} , \quad \forall U \in \text{SU}(1, 1) ,$$

where **the Hesse representation**  $\text{Ad}_0 : \text{SU}(1, 1) \rightarrow \text{Aut}_{\mathbb{R}}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  is given by:

$$\text{Ad}_0(U) = \begin{bmatrix} |\eta|^2 + |\sigma|^2 & -2\text{Re}(\eta\bar{\sigma}) & 2\text{Im}(\eta\bar{\sigma}) \\ -2\text{Re}(\eta\sigma) & \text{Re}(\eta^2 + \sigma^2) & -\text{Im}(\eta^2 - \sigma^2) \\ -2\text{Im}(\eta\sigma) & \text{Im}(\eta^2 + \sigma^2) & \text{Re}(\eta^2 - \sigma^2) \end{bmatrix} .$$

The Killing pairing on the Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{su}(1, 1) \simeq \mathbb{R}^3$  identifies with the Minkowski pairing  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  through an isomorphism which identifies  $\text{Ad}_0$  with the adjoint representation of  $\text{SU}(1, 1)$ .  $\text{Ad}_0$  preserves this pairing and descends to an isomorphism of groups  $\overline{\text{Ad}}_0 : \text{PSU}(1, 1) \xrightarrow{\sim} \text{SO}_o(1, 2)$ .



## Proposition

1. Two time-like Hesse functions  $\Lambda_B, \Lambda_{B'}$  belong to the same (time-like) orbit of  $\text{PSU}(1, 1)$  iff  $(B, B) = (B', B') (> 0)$  and  $\text{sign}(B^0) = \text{sign}(B'^0)$ . The set of time-like orbits is in bijection with  $\{-1, 1\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ . The time-like orbit corresponding to  $(\epsilon, K) \in \{-1, 1\} \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  is diffeomorphic with the sheet  $\text{sign}(B^0) = \epsilon$  of the two-sheeted hyperboloid  $(B, B) = K$ .
2. Two space-like Hesse functions  $\Lambda_B, \Lambda_{B'}$  belong to the same orbit of  $\text{PSU}(1, 1)$  iff  $(B, B) = (B', B') (< 0)$ . The set of space-like orbits is in bijection with  $\mathbb{R}_{<0}$ . The space-like orbit corresponding to  $K \in \mathbb{R}_{<0}$  is diffeomorphic with the one-sheeted hyperboloid  $(B, B) = K$ .
3. The non-trivial light-like orbits of  $\text{PSU}(1, 1)$  on  $S_1(\mathbb{D}^2)$  coincide with the connected components of the complement of the origin in the light cone.

The stabilizer subgroup of a nontrivial solution  $\Lambda_B$  in  $\text{PSU}(1, 1) \simeq \text{SO}_o(1, 2)$  is:

$$\text{Stab}_{\text{PSU}(1,1)}(\Lambda_B) \simeq \begin{cases} \text{SO}(2) & \text{if } (B, B) > 0 \text{ (time-like)} \\ \text{SO}_o(1, 1) \simeq (\mathbb{R}, +) & \text{if } (B, B) < 0 \text{ (space-like)} \\ \text{ISO}_o(1) \simeq (\mathbb{R}, +) & \text{if } (B, B) = 0 \text{ (light-like)} \end{cases} .$$

## Proposition

Let  $\Gamma$  be a non-trivial discrete subgroup of  $\text{PSU}(1,1)$ . Suppose that there exists a non-trivial unit Hesse function  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^2)$  such that  $\Gamma \subset \text{Stab}_{\text{PSU}(1,1)}(\Lambda)$ . Then  $\Gamma$  is a cyclic group. Moreover:

- 1 If  $\Lambda$  is time-like then  $\Gamma$  is a finite cyclic group and hence is generated by an elliptic element of  $\text{PSU}(1,1)$ .
- 2 If  $\Lambda$  is light-like then  $\Gamma$  is an infinite cyclic group generated by a parabolic element of  $\text{PSU}(1,1)$
- 3 If  $\Lambda$  is space-like then  $\Gamma$  is an infinite cyclic group generated by a hyperbolic element of  $\text{PSU}(1,1)$ .

## Corollary

Let  $\Gamma$  be a non-trivial surface group (i.e. a non-trivial Fuchsian group without elliptic elements) which stabilizes a non-trivial unit Hesse function  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^2)$ . Then  $\Lambda$  is light-like or space-like and  $\Gamma$  is an infinite cyclic group. Moreover:

- 1 If  $\Lambda$  is light-like then  $\Gamma$  is a parabolic cyclic group and  $\mathbb{D}^2/\Gamma$  is a hyperbolic cusp.
- 2 If  $\Lambda$  is space-like then  $\Gamma$  is a hyperbolic cyclic group and  $\mathbb{D}^2/\Gamma$  is a hyperbolic annulus.

## Proposition

Any complete Hesse surface  $(\Sigma, G)$  is hyperbolic.

## Theorem

A hyperbolic surface  $(\Sigma, G) \simeq \mathbb{D}^2/\Gamma$  with  $\Gamma \neq 1$  is Hesse iff  $\Gamma$  is a parabolic or a hyperbolic cyclic group, in which case we have  $\text{ind}(\Sigma, G) = 1$ . Moreover:

- 1. If  $\Gamma$  is a parabolic cyclic group (i.e. if  $(\Sigma, G)$  is a **hyperbolic cusp**), then  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^2)^\Gamma \simeq \mathcal{S}_1(\Sigma, G)$  is a light ray of  $(\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^2), (\cdot, \cdot)_S) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{1,2}$ .
- 2. If  $\Gamma$  is a hyperbolic cyclic group (i.e. if  $(\Sigma, G)$  is a **hyperbolic annulus**), then  $\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^2)^\Gamma \simeq \mathcal{S}_1(\Sigma, G)$  is a space-like ray of  $(\mathcal{S}_1(\mathbb{D}^2), (\cdot, \cdot)_S) \simeq \mathbb{R}^{1,2}$ .

## Corollary

The two-field cosmological model defined by a complete surface  $(\Sigma, \mathcal{G})$  uniformized by  $\Gamma \subset \text{PSU}(1, 1)$  admits **Hessian Noether symmetries** iff  $(\Sigma, \mathcal{G})$  is an **elementary surface of Gaussian curvature**  $K_{\mathcal{G}} = -3/8$ . In this case, the space of Hesse functions is three-dimensional when  $\Gamma \simeq 1$  (hyperbolic disk) and one-dimensional when  $\Gamma \simeq \mathbb{Z}$  (hyperbolic cusp or annulus).