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# Extremal Black-Holes and Attractors

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On the occasion of P. Minkowski retirement.

In his long and lasting career  
 Peter has often worked on  
 applications of group-theoretical  
 techniques to the theory  
 of particle interactions and  
 in particular the role that  
 "exceptional groups" may  
 have in this context

(for example  $G_2, E_6 \dots$ ).

Such groups, and in particular  
 their non compact forms, remarkably  
 appear in supergravity and  
 superstring theory and they play  
 an important role in some aspects  
 of the physics of extremal black holes

# SYMMETRIC SPACES BASED ON EXCEPTIONAL GROUPS

(WHICH OCCUR IN SUPERGRAVITY)

$d$	$N$ . COMPACT form $M^{+1,1}$	$\Lambda_{\text{EIN}}$	$H$
14	$\mathfrak{g}_2$	$\mathfrak{Q} \quad \mathfrak{g}_{2,2}$	2 $SU(2) \times SU(2)$
51	$\mathfrak{f}_4$	$\mathfrak{Q} \quad \mathfrak{f}_{4,4}$	4 $USp(6) \times SU(2)$
		$N=9, d=3 \quad \mathfrak{f}_{4,-20}$	1 $SO(9)$
		$N=8, d=5 \quad \mathfrak{e}_6(6)$	6 $Usp(8)$
78	$\mathfrak{e}_6$	$N=10, d=3 \quad \mathfrak{e}_6(-14)$	2 $SO(10) \times SO(2)$
		$\mathfrak{Q} \quad \mathfrak{e}_6(2)$	4 $SU(6) \times SU(2)$
		$\mathfrak{e}_6(-26)$	2 $\mathfrak{f}_4$
		$N=8, d=4 \quad \mathfrak{e}_7(7)$	7 $SU(8)$
133	$\mathfrak{e}_7$	$\mathfrak{Q} \quad \mathfrak{e}_7(-5)$	4 $SO(12) \times SU(2)$
		$SK \quad \mathfrak{e}_7(-25)$	3 $\mathfrak{e}_6 \times SO(2)$
		$N=16, d=3 \quad \mathfrak{e}_8(8)$	8 $SO(16)$
248	$\mathfrak{e}_8$	$\mathfrak{Q} \quad \mathfrak{e}_8(-24)$	4 $\mathfrak{e}_7 \times SU(2)$



## CLASSIFICATIONS

TABLE V

IRREDUCIBLE RIEMANNIAN GLOBALLY SYMMETRIC SPACES OF TYPE I AND TYPE III

	Noncompact	Compact	Rank	Dimension
<i>A I</i>	$SL(n, R)/SO(n)$	$SU(n)/SO(n)$	$n - 1$	$\frac{1}{2}(n - 1)(n + 2)$
<i>A II</i>	$SU^*(2n)/Sp(n)$	$SU(2n)/Sp(n)$	$n - 1$	$(n - 1)(2n + 1)$
<i>A III</i>	$SU(p, q)/S(U_p \times U_q)$	$SU(p + q)/S(U_p \times U_q)$	$\min(p, q)$	$2pq$
<i>BD I</i>	$SO_0(p, q)/SO(p) \times SO(q)$	$SO(p + q)/SO(p) \times SO(q)$	$\min(p, q)$	$pq$
<i>D III</i>	$SO^*(2n)/U(n)$	$SO(2n)/U(n)$	$[\frac{1}{2}n]$	$n(n - 1)$
<i>C I</i>	$Sp(n, R)/U(n)$	$Sp(n)/U(n)$	$n$	$n(n + 1)$
<i>C II</i>	$Sp(p, q)/Sp(p) \times Sp(q)$	$Sp(p + q)/Sp(p) + Sp(q)$	$\min(p, q)$	$4pq$
<i>E I</i>	$(e_{6(6)}, sp(4))$	$(e_{6(-78)}, sp(4))$	6	42
<i>E II</i>	$(e_{6(2)}, su(6) + su(2))$	$(e_{6(-78)}, su(6) + su(2))$	4	40
<i>E III</i>	$(e_{6(-14)}, so(10) + R)$	$(e_{6(-78)}, so(10) + R)$	2	32
<i>E IV</i>	$(e_{6(-26)}, f_4)$	$(e_{6(-78)}, f_4)$	2	26
<i>E V</i>	$(e_{7(7)}, su(8))$	$(e_{7(-133)}, su(8))$	7	70
<i>E VI</i>	$(e_{7(-5)}, so(12) + su(2))$	$(e_{7(-133)}, so(12) + su(2))$	4	64
<i>E VII</i>	$(e_{7(-25)}, e_6 + R)$	$(e_{7(-133)}, e_6 + R)$	3	54
<i>E VIII</i>	$(e_{8(8)}, so(16))$	$(e_{8(-248)}, so(16))$	8	128
<i>E IX</i>	$(e_{8(-24)}, e_7 + su(2))$	$(e_{8(-248)}, e_7 + su(2))$	4	112
<i>F I</i>	$(f_{4(4)}, sp(3) + su(2))$	$(f_{4(-52)}, sp(3) + su(2))$	4	28
<i>F II</i>	$(f_{4(-20)}, so(9))$	$(f_{4(-52)}, so(9))$	1	16
<i>G</i>	$(g_{2(2)}, su(2) + su(2))$	$(g_{2(-14)}, su(2) + su(2))$	2	8

Non-compact groups appear in  
 supersymmetric theories of gravity  
 not only as space-time  
 symmetries (Poincaré, Conformal  
 symmetries and their Super extensions)  
 but also as "isometries" of  
 non-linear  $\sigma$ -models

$$g_{ij}(\phi) \partial_\mu \phi^i \partial^\mu \phi^j$$

where  $\phi^i$  are coordinates of  $\mathcal{M}$ .

If  $\mathcal{M} = G/H$  either  $G$  is  
 compact or  $G$  is non-compact  
 and  $H$  is its maximal compact  
 subgroup.



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The nature of the  $\sigma$ -model depends on  $N$  (number of supersymmetries) and  $D$  (space-time dimension)

For  $N > 2$  ( $D=4$ ) the  $\sigma$ -model is locally  $G/H$ . Not true for  $N=1, 2$

Famous example is the "moduli space" of Calabi-Yau compactifications.

Black-hole physics depend on particular "discrete" parts of the space corresponding to "Attractor Varieties" (G. Moore)

Attractor mechanism

R. Kallosh, A. Strominger, S.F.

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Supersymmetry seems to be related to dynamical systems with fixed points describing the equilibrium and stability. The particular property of long-term behaviour of dynamical flows in dissipative systems is the following: in approaching the attractor the orbits lose practically all memory of their initial conditions, even though the dynamics is strictly deterministic.

A point where the phase velocity  $\vec{v}(x_{\text{fix}}) = 0$  is called fixed (critical) point. If in the motion  $x(t)$ , for  $t \rightarrow \infty$   $x(t) \rightarrow x_{\text{fixed}}$  then  $x_{\text{fixed}}$  is called an attractor point.

# Electric Magnetic Duality

$$\frac{1}{g^2} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \theta F_{\mu\nu} \bar{F}^{\mu\nu}$$

$$t = -\frac{i}{g^2} + \theta$$

The combined field eqs + Bianchi identities are invariant under

$$t \rightarrow \frac{\alpha t + \beta}{\gamma t + \delta} \quad \alpha\delta - \beta\gamma = 1$$

$$SL(2, \mathbb{R}) \sim Sp(2, \mathbb{R})$$

Generalization to many fields

$$G_{\Lambda\Sigma} F^\Lambda F^\Sigma + \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda\Sigma} F^\Lambda F^\Sigma$$

$$W_{\Lambda\Sigma} = -i G_{\Lambda\Sigma} + \mathcal{D}_{\Lambda\Sigma}$$

$$Sp(2n, \mathbb{R}) \rightarrow W' = (C + DW')(A + BW')^{-1}$$

$$A^T C, B^T D \text{ sym, } A^T D - C^T B = \mathbb{1}$$



When the non-linear  $\sigma$ -model is coupled to  $n$ - (abelian) vector fields, consistency of the field equations (and Bianchi identities) with electric-magnetic duality requires that the field strengths and their dual

$$(F^1 = dA^1, \quad G_n = \frac{f d}{f f A}) \quad n=1 \dots 4$$

transform in a linear (symplectic) representation of  $G$  of dimension

$$2n : \mathbb{R} \quad (\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \supset \mathbb{1}_A)$$

$$\int_{S_2} F^1 = m^1 \quad \int_{S_2} G_n = e_n$$

$$(m^1, e_n) = \Phi \quad \text{charge vector}$$

## Extremal (BPS) black-holes

$$M = |Z| = \sqrt{e^2 + m^2}$$

(In the case of the Einstein-Maxwell theory, this is the (dyonic) Reissner-Nordström black-hole)

-Bekenstein-Hawking entropy

Relation between Entropy - Horizon area - mass (charge)

$$S = \frac{A}{4} = \pi |Z|^2 = \pi (e^2 + m^2)$$

$$S = S'(e, m)$$

When scalars are coupled to vectors the above formula generalizes as

$$S = S'(e_a, m^a)$$

through the "attractor mechanism"

$$\phi^i(\phi_\infty, e_1, m^1, r) \rightarrow \phi_\infty^i$$

$$r \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\phi^i(\phi_\infty, e_1, m^1, r) \rightarrow \phi_H^i(e_1, m^1)$$

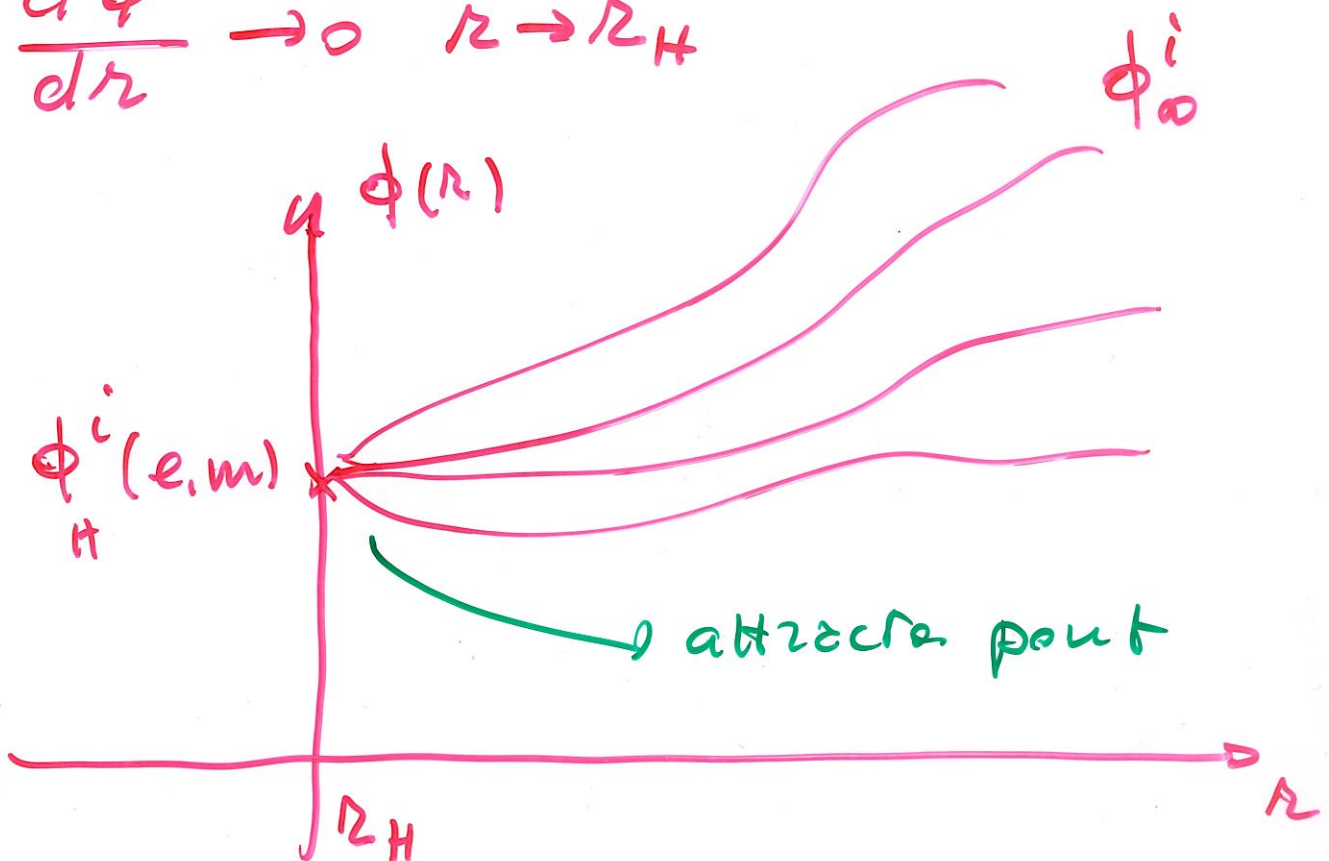
$$r \rightarrow r_H$$

(Kollosch, Stromyer, L.F.)

$\phi_H^i$  is an extremum of  $V_{BH}(\phi, e, m)$

$$\partial V_{BH} / \partial \phi = 0 \quad \phi = \phi_H^i \quad \text{so that}$$

$$\frac{d\phi^i}{dr} \rightarrow 0 \quad r \rightarrow r_H$$





In the case of  $\mathcal{M} = G/H$

$S(e, m)$  is a  $G$  invariant

$N=8$  supergravity in  $D=4$

$(m^{\hat{a}}, e_{\hat{a}}) \subset 56$  of  $E_7(7)$

$$S(e, m) = \frac{A(e, m)}{4} = \pi \sqrt{I_4(e, m)}$$

In a  $28 + \overline{28}$  basis (of  $SU(8)$ ) for the 56

$$I_4 = \text{Tr}(Z\overline{Z})^2 - \frac{1}{4}(\text{Tr} Z\overline{Z})^2 + 4(\text{Pf} Z + \text{Pf} \overline{Z})$$

$$Z = Z^{AB} = -Z^{BA} \quad 28 \text{ of } SU(8).$$

$$Z^{AB} = (g_i e^{i\phi_{14}}) \quad i=1, 2, 3, 4$$

$N=8$  and  $N=2$ ,  $D=4$

$E_{7(7)}$ ,  $E_{7(-25)}$

$56 \rightarrow (e_1, m^1)$

Black-Holes in  $D=4$

$N=8 \rightarrow \frac{1}{8}$  BPS  $|Z|^2 = \sqrt{I_4}$

$N=2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$  BPS  $|Z|^2 = \sqrt{I_4}$

$$I_4 = [(p_1 + p_2)^2 - (p_3 + p_4)^2] [(p_1 - p_2)^2 - (p_3 - p_4)^2] + 8 p_1 p_2 p_3 p_4 (\cos \phi - 1)$$

$$(p_1 \geq p_2 \geq p_3 \geq p_4)$$

BPS  $I_4 \geq 0$

Non BPS  $I_4 < 0$

$$A_4 \neq 0 \text{ if } I_4 \neq 0$$

$$I_4 > 0 \quad E_{7(7)} / E_{6(2)} \quad (28^-, 27^+)$$

$$I_4 < 0 \quad E_{7(7)} / E_{6(6)} \quad (30^-, 25^+)$$

(55 dimensional spaces)



$$E_{7(7)} \supset SO^*(12) \times SU(2)$$

$$E_{7(7)} \supset Sp(6, \mathbb{R}) \times G_2(2)$$

$$E_{7(7)} \supset SU(3, 3) \times SU(2, 1)$$

$$E_{7,7} \supset SU(1, 1)^3 \times SU(4, 4)$$