

# Black-Hole duality in four time and four space dimensions

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A black-hole solution in four time and four space dimensions ((4 + 4)-dimensions) is developed. It is emphasized that such a solution establishes a duality relation between the (1 + 3) and the (3 + 1) black-holes, which are part of the (4 + 4)-world. Moreover, it is found that a cosmological constant of the (1 + 3)-world is dual to the cosmological constant in the (3 + 1)-world.

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## 1. Introduction

Traditionally in relativity, in order to describe different phenomena in our universe, such as a trajectory of an object, one time and three space are the chosen number of real dimensions ((1 + 3)-dimensions). Yet the physical reasons why our world requires (1 + 3)-dimensions, remains as an open problem. It is evident that from the point of view of number theory the (1 + 3)-world the space and time are not symmetric. The natural question is: why three space and only one time dimension? Looking for the answer of this question one finds that the (5 + 5)-dimensional space-time (five time and five space dimensions) is a common signature to both type *IIA* strings and type *IIB* strings [1]. In fact, versions of *M*-theory [2-3] lead to type *IIA* and to type *IIB* string in space-time of signatures (5 + 5). It turns out that by duality transformations string theories of signatures (5 + 5) are related to other string signatures such as (1 + 9) [3].

Of course, the (5 + 5)-dimensional world is more symmetrical in the number of space and time dimensions than the (1 + 3)-world. Thus, considering seriously the (5 + 5)-world, just as the (1 + 3)-dimensional signature can be considered as a reduced world of the de Sitter (1 + 4)-dimensional or anti-de Sitter (2 + 3)-dimensional signatures *via* the cosmological constants  $\Lambda > 0$  and  $\Lambda < 0$ , respectively, here, one may assume that up to two cosmological constants, the (4 + 4)-world emerges from (5 + 5)-dimensional world. In fact, the (4 + 4)-dimensions can be considered as the transverse coordinates of the (5 + 5)-dimensions [4-5].

Fortunately, there are already a number of works with interesting results in the (4 + 4)-world that can be considered as additional motivation for increasing interest in such a scenario. First, the Dirac equation in (4 + 4)-dimensions is consistent with Majorana-Weyl spinors which give exactly the same number of components as the complex spinor of 1/2-spin particles such as the electron or quarks [6,7]. Second, the most general Kruskal-Szekeres transformation of a black-hole coordinates in (1 + 3)-dimensions leads to 8-regions (instead of the usual 4-regions), which can be better described in (4 + 4)-dimensions [8]. Third, loop quantum gravity in (4 + 4)-dimensions [9-10] admits a self-duality curvature structure analogue to the traditional (1 + 3)-dimensions. It also has been shown [11] that duality

$$\sigma^2 \leftrightarrow \frac{1}{\sigma^2},$$

of a Gaussian distribution in terms of the standard deviation  $\sigma$  of 4-space coordinates associated with the de Sitter space (anti-de Sitter) and the vacuum zero-point energy yields to a Gaussian of 4-time coordinates of the same vacuum scenario. Finally, it has been suggested that the mathematical structures of matroid theory [12] (see also Refs. [13-20] and references therein) and surreal number theory [21-23] (see also Refs [24-25] and references therein) may provide interesting routes for a connection with the (4 + 4)-world.

## 2. The (4+4)-world black hole

Let us start considering the ansatz

$$g_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} = \begin{pmatrix} -e^{f(r,\rho)} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{h(r,\rho)} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \tilde{g}_{ij}(\theta_{(+)}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{p(r,\rho)} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -e^{q(r,\rho)} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\rho^2 \tilde{g}_{ab}(\theta_{(-)}) \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

Here, the indices  $\hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu}, \dots$  run from 1 to 8 and the matrices  $\tilde{g}_{ij}(\theta_{(+)})$  and  $\tilde{g}_{ab}(\theta_{(-)})$  are defined as

$$\tilde{g}_{ij}(\theta_{(+)}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sin^2 \theta_{(+)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2)$$

and

$$\tilde{g}_{ab}(\theta_{(-)}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sin^2 \theta_{(-)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (3)$$

respectively. Here, the notation  $\theta_{(+)}$  and  $\theta_{(-)}$  means that the angle  $\theta_{(+)}$  refers to the  $(1+3)$ -world, while the angle  $\theta_{(-)}$  corresponds to the  $(3+1)$ -world.

From the chosen form of  $g_{\mu\nu}$  it is evident that one is dealing with a spheric symmetric static system in  $(4+4)$ -dimensions. The only unknown variables will be  $f(r, \rho)$ ,  $h(r, \rho)$ ,  $p(r, \rho)$  and  $q(r, \rho)$  which must be determined with the relativistic gravitational field equations in  $(4+4)$ -dimensions.

The non-vanishing Christoffel symbols associated with (1), involving the indices values of  $\mu, \nu = 1$  to 4, are

$$\Gamma_{12}^1 = \frac{f'}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{22}^2 = \frac{h'}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{11}^2 = \frac{e^{f-h} f'}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{ij}^2 = -r e^{-h} \tilde{g}_{ij}, \quad \Gamma_{2j}^i = \frac{\delta_j^i}{r}, \quad \Gamma_{jk}^i = \tilde{\Gamma}_{jk}^i, \quad (4)$$

while for the values  $\mu, \nu = 5$  to 8 one gets

$$\Gamma_{56}^5 = \frac{\dot{p}}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{66}^6 = \frac{\dot{q}}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{55}^6 = \frac{e^{p-q} \dot{p}}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{ab}^6 = -\rho e^{-q} \tilde{g}_{ab}, \quad \Gamma_{6b}^a = \frac{\delta_b^a}{\rho}, \quad \Gamma_{bc}^a = \tilde{\Gamma}_{bc}^a, \quad (5)$$

where  $A' = \partial A / \partial r$  and  $\dot{B} = \partial B / \partial \rho$  for any arbitrary functions  $A(r, \rho)$  and  $B(r, \rho)$ . One still must include the non-vanishing mixture Christoffel symbols

$$\Gamma_{16}^1 = \frac{\dot{f}}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{11}^6 = -\frac{e^{f-q} \dot{f}}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{26}^2 = \frac{\dot{h}}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{22}^6 = \frac{e^{h-q} \dot{h}}{2}, \quad (6)$$

and

$$\Gamma_{52}^5 = \frac{p'}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{55}^2 = -\frac{e^{p-h} p'}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{62}^6 = \frac{q'}{2}, \quad \Gamma_{66}^2 = \frac{e^{q-h} q'}{2}. \quad (7)$$

In vacuum the gravitational field equations simply establish that the Ricci tensor  $R_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} = R_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\alpha}\hat{\nu}}^{\hat{\alpha}}$  must vanish, that is one has

$$R_{\hat{\mu}\hat{\nu}} = 0. \quad (8)$$

Using the Christoffel symbols (4)-(7) one learns that (8) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} R_{11} &= \frac{1}{2} e^{f-h} \left( f'' + \frac{1}{2} f'^2 - \frac{1}{2} f' h' + \frac{2}{r} f' + \frac{1}{2} f' p' + \frac{1}{2} f' q' \right) - \frac{1}{2} e^{f-q} \left( \ddot{f} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{f}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{f} \dot{h} + \frac{2}{\rho} \dot{f} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{f} \dot{p} - \frac{1}{2} \dot{f} \dot{q} \right) = 0, \\ R_{22} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left( f'' + \frac{1}{2} f'^2 - \frac{1}{2} f' h' - \frac{2}{r} h' + p'' + \frac{1}{2} p'^2 - \frac{1}{2} p' h' + q'' + \frac{1}{2} q'^2 - \frac{1}{2} q' h' \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} e^{h-q} \left( \ddot{h} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{h}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{h} \dot{f} + \frac{1}{2} \dot{h} \dot{p} - \frac{1}{2} \dot{h} \dot{q} + \frac{2}{\rho} \dot{h} \right) = 0, \\ R_{ij} &= e^{-h} \left( -\frac{1}{2} r f' + \frac{1}{2} r h' - \frac{1}{2} r p' - \frac{1}{2} r q' + e^h - 1 \right) \tilde{g}_{ij} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

(where due to (1) and (2) the indices  $i, j, \dots$  run from 3 to 4), and also to

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{55} &= \frac{1}{2}e^{p-q} \left( \ddot{p} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{p}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\dot{p}\dot{q} + \frac{2}{\rho}\dot{p} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{p}\dot{f} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{p}\dot{h} \right) - \frac{1}{2}e^{p-h} \left( p'' + \frac{1}{2}p'^2 + \frac{1}{2}p'q' + \frac{2}{r}p' + \frac{1}{2}p'f' - \frac{1}{2}p'h' \right) = 0, \\
 R_{66} &= -\frac{1}{2} \left( \ddot{p} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{p}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\dot{p}\dot{q} - \frac{2}{\rho}\dot{q} + \ddot{f} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{f}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\dot{f}\dot{q} + \ddot{h} + \frac{1}{2}\dot{h}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\dot{h}\dot{q} \right) \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{2}e^{q-h} \left( q'' + \frac{1}{2}q'^2 + \frac{1}{2}q'p' + \frac{1}{2}q'f' - \frac{1}{2}q'h' + \frac{2}{r}q' \right) = 0, \\
 R_{ab} &= e^{-q} \left( -\frac{1}{2}\rho\dot{p} + \frac{1}{2}\rho\dot{q} - \frac{1}{2}\rho\dot{f} - \frac{1}{2}\rho\dot{h} + e^q - 1 \right) \tilde{g}_{ab} = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

Here, according to the ansatz choice (1) and (3), the indices  $a, b, \dots$  take the values 7 and 8.

### 3. Black-hole duality solution

Our next step is to look for a black-hole solution of (9) and (10). For this purpose, focusing in the last formula in (9) one observes that assuming the two equations

$$\begin{aligned}
 f' + h' &= 0, \\
 p' + q' &= 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

such a formula can be simplified in the form

$$rh' + e^h - 1 = 0. \tag{12}$$

A general solution of this equation can be written as

$$e^{-h} = 1 - \frac{A(\rho)}{r}, \tag{13}$$

with  $A(\rho)$  an arbitrary function of  $\rho$ . Following similar steps and assuming

$$\begin{aligned}
 \dot{p} + \dot{q} &= 0, \\
 \dot{f} + \dot{h} &= 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

the last equation in (10) leads to

$$\rho\dot{q} + e^q - 1 = 0, \tag{15}$$

whose solution is

$$e^{-q} = 1 - \frac{B(r)}{\rho}, \tag{16}$$

with  $B(r)$  an arbitrary function of  $r$ .

Our next step is to determine the functions  $A(\rho)$  and  $B(r)$ . For this purpose, one may first focus in the first equation of (9). Considering (11) and (14) one sees that such equation reduces to

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{2}e^{f-h} \left( f'' + f'^2 + \frac{2}{r}f' \right) \\
 - \frac{1}{2}e^{f-q} \left( \ddot{f} - \dot{f}\dot{q} + \frac{2}{\rho}\dot{f} \right) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{17}$$

Since  $e^{-h} = e^f$ , with (13), one verifies that

$$f'' + f'^2 + \frac{2}{r}f' = 0. \tag{18}$$

Thus, (17) is further reduced to

$$\ddot{f} - \dot{f}\dot{q} + \frac{2}{\rho}\dot{f} = 0, \tag{19}$$

which can also be written as

$$\frac{\ddot{f}}{\dot{f}} - \dot{q} + \frac{2}{\rho} = 0, \tag{20}$$

with  $\dot{f} \neq 0$ . This expression can be integrated yielding

$$\ln \dot{f} - q + \ln \rho^2 = \ln a, \tag{21}$$

where  $\ln a$  is a constant independent of  $\rho$ . This means that

$$\dot{f}e^{-q} = \frac{a}{\rho^2}. \tag{22}$$

From (16) one learns that (22) becomes

$$\dot{f}e^{-q} = -e^{-q}\dot{q}\frac{a}{B}. \tag{23}$$

Thus, if one sets  $a = B$  one sees that

$$\dot{f} + \dot{q} = 0, \tag{24}$$

in agreement with (14).

Hence, (19) can be written as

$$\ddot{f} + \dot{f}^2 + \frac{2}{\rho}\dot{f} = 0. \tag{25}$$

Substituting (13) into this equation one obtains

$$\ln \dot{A} + \ln \rho^2 = -r_0^2,$$

with  $r_0$  also a constant. Therefore,

$$\rho^2 \dot{A} = -r_0^2, \tag{26}$$

and consequently one gets

$$A = \frac{r_0^2}{\rho}. \quad (27)$$

Substituting this result into (13) one discovers the surprising result

$$e^f = 1 - \frac{r_0^2}{\rho r}. \quad (28)$$

Following similar steps one shall obtain that the first equation in (10) leads to the solution

$$e^p = 1 - \frac{\rho_0^2}{\rho r}. \quad (29)$$

Summarizing, we have derived the black-hole solution in  $(4 + 4)$ -dimensions;

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -(1 - \frac{r_0^2}{\rho r}) & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{r_0^2}{\rho r})} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \tilde{g}_{ij} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & (1 - \frac{\rho_0^2}{\rho r}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{(1 - \frac{\rho_0^2}{\rho r})} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -\rho^2 \tilde{g}_{ab} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (30)$$

In principle  $r_0$  and  $\rho_0$  are different constants but if one sets

$$r_0 = \rho_0 \equiv \xi. \quad (31)$$

the metric (30) becomes a totally dual black-hole solution. Let us explain in some detail this comment. First from (30) and (31) one sees that the line element in  $(4 + 4)$ -dimensions can be written as

$$ds^2 = ds_{(+)}^2 + ds_{(-)}^2, \quad (32)$$

where

$$ds_{(+)}^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{\xi^2}{\rho r}\right) c^2 dt_{(+)}^2 + \frac{dr^2}{(1 - \frac{\xi^2}{\rho r})} + r^2 \left(d\theta_{(+)}^2 + \sin^2 \theta_{(+)} d\phi_{(+)}^2\right), \quad (33)$$

and

$$ds_{(-)}^2 = + \left(1 - \frac{\xi^2}{\rho r}\right) c^2 dt_{(-)}^2 - \frac{d\rho^2}{(1 - \frac{\xi^2}{\rho r})} - \rho^2 \left(d\theta_{(-)}^2 + \sin^2 \theta_{(-)} d\phi_{(-)}^2\right). \quad (34)$$

In order for  $ds_{(+)}^2$  to describe the usual black-hole element in  $(1 + 3)$ -world one must set

$$\frac{\xi^2}{\rho} = \frac{2GM^{(+)}}{c^2}, \quad (35)$$

with  $G$  the Newton gravitational constant and  $M^{(+)}$  the mass source in the  $(1 + 3)$ -world. Similarly in order for  $ds_{(-)}^2$  to describe the usual black-hole element in  $(3 + 1)$ -world one must set

$$\frac{\xi^2}{r} = \frac{2GM^{(-)}}{c^2}, \quad (36)$$

where  $M^{(-)}$  is the source mass in the  $(3 + 1)$ -world. Thus, from the perspective of a  $(1 + 3)$ -world observer the combination  $\xi^2/\rho$  is just a related to the source mass  $M^{(+)}$ . This means that even if the parameter  $\rho$  associated with  $(3 + 1)$ -world appears in the line element  $ds_{(+)}^2$  is in fact related to source mass  $M^{(+)}$  according to (35). In dual form, the parameter  $r$  of the  $(1 + 3)$ -world is interpreted by a  $(3 + 1)$ -world observer as the mass source  $M^{(-)}$  according to (36).

Even clearer dual properties of the line element (32)-(34) emerge when one considers the event horizon of (33) and (34). Suppose there are parameters  $r$  and  $\rho$  such that

$$\left(1 - \frac{\xi^2}{\rho_s r_s}\right) = 0. \quad (37)$$

Of course, in this case both the terms with  $dr^2$  and  $d\rho^2$  present an apparent singularity. From (37) one sees that this means that

$$\rho_s r_s = \xi^2, \quad (38)$$

which is clearly a dual relation: A large radius  $r_s$  of the event horizon of the  $(1+3)$  black-hole corresponds to a small radius  $\rho_s$  of the  $(3+1)$  black-hole and *vice versa*.

At least at the level of black-holes the above result establishes a dual link between the  $(1+3)$ -world and the  $(3+1)$ -world that needs to be considered when one looks for a solution of quantum gravity. In fact, thinking about the magnetic monopole  $g$  and the electric charge  $e$  duality, namely

$$e \longleftrightarrow \frac{n\hbar}{e}, \quad (39)$$

with  $ge = n\hbar$  and  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , one is tempted to assume that (38) implies a quantum duality of the form

$$\rho_s r_s = n\xi^2, \quad (40)$$

Of course in order to fully understand the consequences of (38) or (40) one needs to clarify the meaning of the constant parameter  $\xi$ . At first sight one may propose that  $\xi = l_P$ , with  $l_P$  the Planck length. However, in this case (38) implies a smaller black-hole radius than the Planck-length. So, assuming that the Planck length  $l_P$  is the smallest possible length then one must expect that  $\xi \sim 1$ .

#### 4. Cosmological constant duality

Let us now introduce two cosmological constants;  $\Lambda^+$  for the  $(1+3)$ -world and  $\Lambda^-$  for the  $(3+1)$ -world. Thus, one assumes that the gravitation field equation (8) can be splitted as

$$R_{\mu\nu} = \Lambda^+ g_{\mu\nu}, \quad (41)$$

and

$$R_{AB} = \Lambda^- g_{AB}, \quad (42)$$

with the indices  $\mu, \nu, \dots$  running from 1 to 4 and the indices  $A, B$  running from 5 to 8. Assuming again (11) and (14) we find that the relevant equation in the  $(1+3)$ -world will be

$$rh' + e^h - 1 = \Lambda^+ r^2, \quad (43)$$

with a general solution of the form

$$e^{-h} = 1 - \frac{A(\rho)}{r} + F(\rho)\Lambda^+ r^2, \quad (44)$$

with  $A(\rho)$  and  $F(\rho)$  arbitrary functions of  $\rho$ . For the corresponding equation for the  $(3+1)$ -world one shall have

$$\rho\dot{q} + e^q - 1 = \Lambda^- \rho^2, \quad (45)$$

whose a general solution becomes

$$e^{-q} = 1 - \frac{B(r)}{\rho} + G(r)\Lambda^- \rho^2, \quad (46)$$

with  $B(r)$  and  $G(r)$  arbitrary functions of  $r$ . Again, one may choose  $A(\rho)$  and  $B(r)$  as  $A = r_0^2/\rho$  and  $B = r_0^2/r$ , respectively. While a dual solution for  $F(\rho)$  and  $G(r)$  is obtained by setting  $F = l^{-2}\rho^2$  and  $G = l^{-2}r^2$ , with  $l$  a dimensional fundamental constant. An interesting aspect of this construction emerges if one chooses a black-hole horizon such that

$$\Lambda^+ \Lambda^- = \text{const.} \quad (47)$$

Of course this formula leads to a cosmological constant duality of the form

$$\Lambda^- \leftrightarrow \frac{\text{const.}}{\Lambda^+}. \quad (48)$$

This means that a small cosmological constant  $\Lambda^+$  in the  $(1+3)$ -world must lead to a large cosmological constant  $\Lambda^-$  in the  $(3+1)$ -world and *vice versa*, as predicted in Ref. [26].

#### 5. Final remarks

The present work opens many possible physical routes for further work. First, it may be interesting to consider a generalized Kruskal-Szekeres transform of the line element (32). This must lead to a connection with the observation [8] that in the  $(4+4)$ -world such a transform implies 8-regions instead of the usual 4-regions. Second, since it has been shown that in  $(4+4)$ -dimensions there exist a kind of duality of the cosmological constant one wonders what is the relation of such a duality with dual black-hole solution developed in this work (see Ref. [11]). Finally the quantum relation (40) may motivate to see the consequences of our dual black-hole solution with quantum gravity theory. At this respect, it is worth mentioning that oriented matroid theory [12] (see also Refs. [13-19] and references therein) and surreal number theory (see Ref. [20] and also Refs [21-24] and references therein) are two promising underlying mathematical structures for dealing with the key dual concept in  $(4+4)$ -dimensions [18].

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