

De Sitter Spacetime in Static Coordinates

5-D

Minkowski spacetime

in ordinary
coordinates

$$ds^2 = -dx_1^2 - dx_2^2 - dx_3^2 - dx_4^2 + dx_5^2$$

Transform to
uniformly accelerated
coordinates

$$x_5 = x \sinh t$$

$$x_1 = x \cosh t$$

leave x_2, x_3, x_4

$$ds^2 = -dx^2 - dx_2^2 - dx_3^2 - dx_4^2 + x^2 dt^2$$

$$dx_5 = \sinh t dx + x \cosh t dt$$

$$dx_1 = \cosh t dx + x \sinh t dt$$

$$-dx_1^2 = -\cosh^2 t dx^2 - 2x \cancel{\cosh t \sinh t dt} - x^2 \sinh^2 t dt^2$$

$$+dx_5^2 = \sinh^2 t dx^2 + 2x \cancel{\cosh t \sinh t dt} + x^2 \cosh^2 t dt^2$$

$$-dx_1^2 + dx_5^2 =$$

$$-(\cosh^2 t - \sinh^2 t) dx^2 + x^2 (\cosh^2 t - \sinh^2 t) dt^2$$

x_5

x_1

const. t

const. t

const. x .

new
coordinates
cover only
half of spacetime
for $-\infty < t < \infty$
 $-\infty < x < \infty$

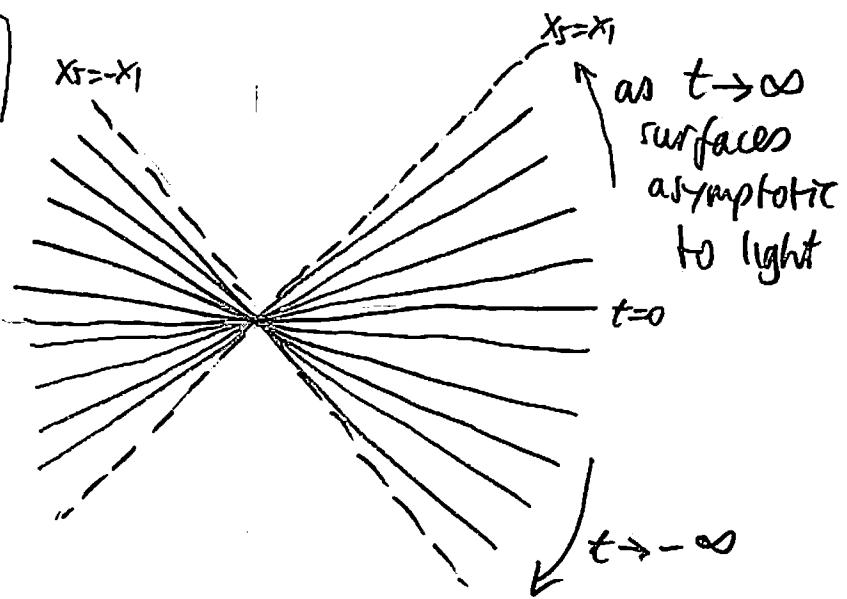
Curves of constant t

$$x_5 = x \sinht$$

$$x_1 = x \cosh t$$

$$x_5 = x_1 \tanh t$$

as t goes
 $\rightarrow -\infty$ to $+\infty$,
 $\tanh t$ goes
 $\rightarrow 1$ to -1

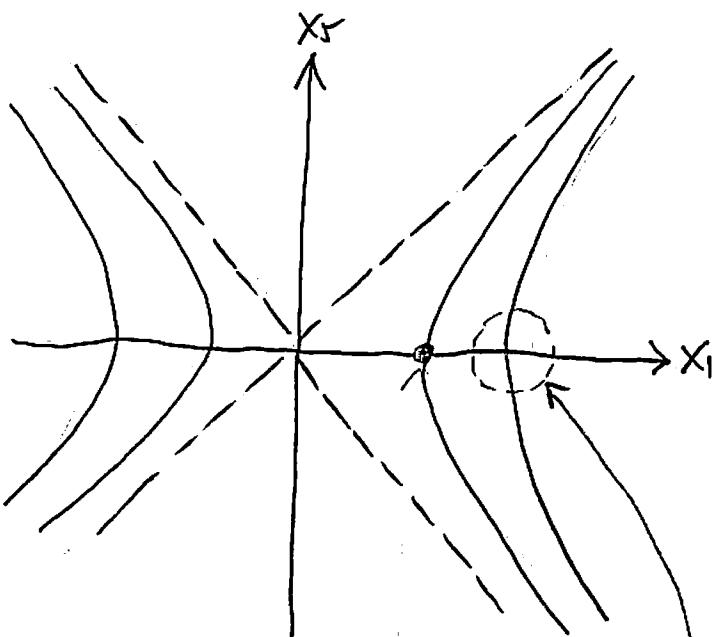


Curves of constant x

$$x_1 = x \cosh t \rightarrow x \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0$$

$$x_1 = \frac{x_5}{\tanh t} \rightarrow x_5 \text{ for large } t$$

→ $-x_5$ for t
very
negative!



Uniform acceleration?

For $x_5 \ll x$, $\frac{x_5}{x} = \sinht \approx t$
small t

$$\text{then } x_1 = x \cosh t$$

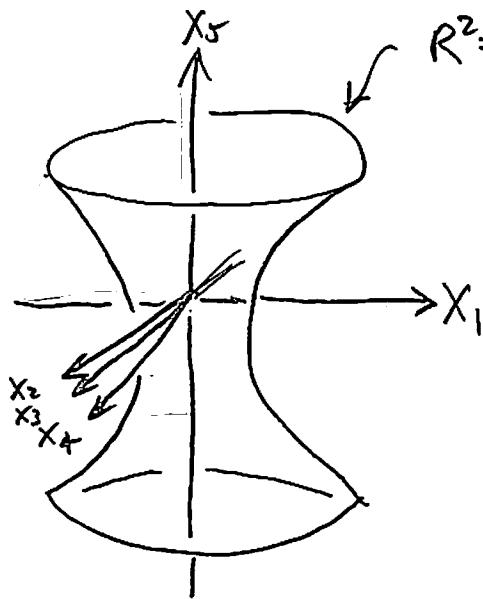
$$\approx x \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}t^2\right)$$

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$$= x + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x_5}{x}\right)^2 \quad \begin{matrix} \text{l.e. parabola} \\ \text{for small } t, \\ \text{fixed } x \end{matrix}$$

intersects
at $x=x$

Now add the de Sitter hyperboloid |



$$R^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 + x_4^2 - x_5^2$$

$$ds^2 = -dx_1^2 - dx_2^2 - dx_3^2 - dx_4^2 + dx_5^2$$

$$x_5 = x \sinh t$$

$$x_1 = x \cosh t$$

$$ds^2 = \underbrace{-dx^2 - dx_2^2 - dx_3^2 - dx_4^2}_{\text{restricted to hyperboloid}} + \underbrace{x^2 dt^2}_{\text{restricted to hyperboloid}}$$

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$$d\omega(R)^2$$

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Hence introduce coordinate r where
 $x = R \cos \frac{\pi r}{R}$
and $-R < r < R$

$$ds^2 = -d\omega(R)^2 + R^2 \cos^2(\frac{\pi r}{R}) dt^2$$

"static" since g_{ik} independent of t

static coordinates only cover a part
of the hyperboloid

