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The Mysterious Cosmic Censorship - Weak Gravity Connection

I will describe a surprising connection between two longstanding conjectures : Cosmic censorship and weak gravity. I will first present a class of counterexamples to (weak) cosmic censorship in anti-de Sitter spacetime. These are solutions in which the curvature grows without bound in a region of spacetime visible to infinity. I will then explain the weak gravity conjecture and show that when it is satisfied, these counterexamples go away. Various generalizations will be discussed, always with the same conclusion : the weak gravity conjecture removes potential counterexamples to cosmic censorship.

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