

Mass (and Angular Momentum) in General Relativity

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- **Absence of background rigid structures.**
 Physical parameters in Physics are often defined in terms of *some kind of* rigid structure, e.g.:
 - Conserved quantities under some symmetry.
 - Inertial families of observers (*kinematical symmetries*): particles as representations of the Poincaré group...
 - ...

All fields are dynamical in GR: no a priori “rigid structure” available.

Need of additional structure

But we must deal with massive extended objects...:

- Relativistic astrophysics: relativistic binaries (mergers), grav. collapse...
- Black Holes in General Relativity and approaches to *Quantum Gravity*.
- Mathematical relativity: positive-defined quantities to be tracked along geometric flows or to define appropriate variational principles.
- ...

Specific problems suggest concrete solutions:

- Low velocities and weak self-gravity: Post-Newtonian approaches.
- Perturbation theory around a known exact solution.
- Study of isolated systems.
- Black holes in certain physical regimes.
- ...

Moral

“Need” of some kind of additional *structure*.

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Here we focus on:

- 1 Mass (and angular momentum) of Isolated systems.
- 2 Mass (and angular momentum) of black holes in quasi-equilibrium in otherwise dynamical spacetimes.

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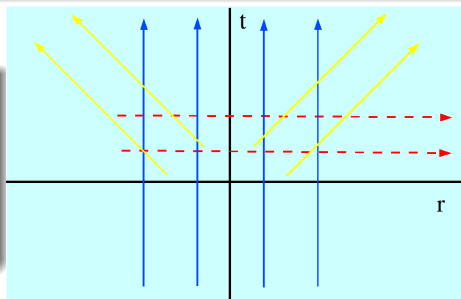
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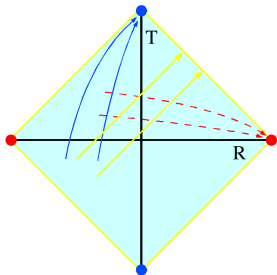


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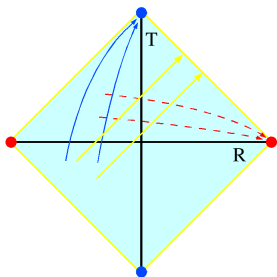


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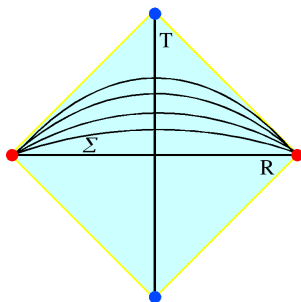
Conformally compactified picture: asymptotic simplicity and asymptotic flatness

A smooth space-time (\mathcal{M}, g) is *asymptotically simple* if there exists another smooth Lorentz manifold $(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}, \tilde{g})$ such that:

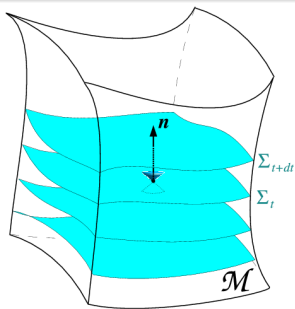
- \mathcal{M} is an open submanifold $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$ with smooth boundary $\partial\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{I}$,
- There is a smooth scalar field Ω on $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$, such that $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu}$ on \mathcal{M} , and so that $\Omega = 0, d\Omega \neq 0$ on \mathcal{I} .
- Every null geodesic in \mathcal{M} acquires a future and a past endpoint on \mathcal{I} .

An asymptotically simple spacetime is called *asymptotically flat* if, in addition, $R_{\mu\nu} = 0$ in a neighbourhood of \mathcal{I} .

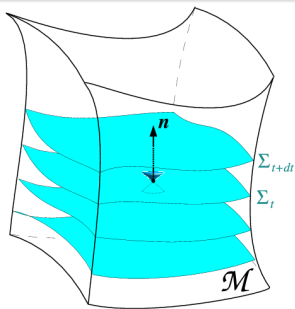
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$$\{\Sigma_t\}$$

$$n^\mu$$

$$t^\mu = Nn^\mu + \beta^\mu$$

$$N$$

$$\beta^\mu$$

$$\gamma_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} + n_\mu n_\nu$$

$$K_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_n \gamma_{\mu\nu}$$

3+1 slicing of spacetime
timelike unit normal to Σ_t

evolution vector

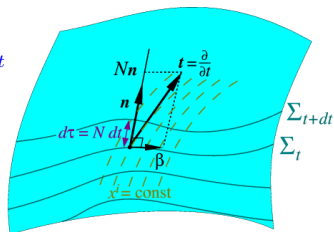
lapse function

shift vector

spatial 3-metric

extrinsic curvature

In particular, $K_{ij} = \frac{1}{2N} (\gamma_{ik} D_j \beta^k + \gamma_{jk} D_i \beta^k - \dot{\gamma}_{ij})$.



Asymptotic Euclidean spatial slices

Σ_t is *asymptotically Euclidean (flat)* if there exists a Riemannian “background” metric f_{ij} such that:

- i) f_{ij} is flat, except possibly on a compact domain \mathcal{B} of Σ_t .
- ii) There exists a coordinate system $(x^i) = (x, y, z)$ such that outside \mathcal{B} , $f_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, 1)$ (“Cartesian-type coordinates”) and the variable $r := \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ can take arbitrarily large values on Σ_t .
- iii) When $r \rightarrow +\infty$,

$$\gamma_{ij} = f_{ij} + O(r^{-1}),$$

$$\frac{\partial \gamma_{ij}}{\partial x^k} = O(r^{-2});$$

$$K_{ij} = O(r^{-2}),$$

$$\frac{\partial K_{ij}}{\partial x^k} = O(r^{-3}).$$

Given an asymptotically flat spacetime foliated by asymptotically Euclidean slices $\{\Sigma_t\}$, the “region” $r \rightarrow +\infty$ is called *spatial infinity* and is denoted i^0 .

Asymptotic symmetries

Set of diffeomorphisms $(x^\alpha) = (t, x^i) \rightarrow (x'^\alpha) = (t', x'^i)$ preserving i)-iii):

$$x'^\alpha = \Lambda^\alpha_\mu x^\mu + c^\alpha(\theta, \varphi) + O(r^{-1}) \quad ,$$

with Λ^α_β is a Lorentz matrix and the c^α 's are four functions of the angles (θ, φ) related to the coordinates $(x^i) = (x, y, z)$ by the standard formulæ:

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \varphi, \quad y = r \sin \theta \sin \varphi, \quad z = r \cos \theta.$$

Consequences:

- Not a canonical *Poincaré* asymptotic symmetry.
- *Supertranslations*: $c^\alpha(\theta, \varphi) \neq \text{const}$ and $\Lambda^\alpha_\beta = \delta^\alpha_\beta$ (“angle-dependent translations”).
- Infinite-dimensional symmetry (related to *Spi group* [Ashtekar & Hansen 78,80]).
- Analogue situation at \mathcal{I} : Bondi-Metzger-Sachs (BMS) asymptotic symmetry.

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Hamiltonian framework

Hilbert-Einstein action in spacetime \mathcal{M} with (timelike) boundary hypersurface $\partial\mathcal{M}$:

$$S = \int_{\mathcal{M}} {}^4R\sqrt{-g} d^4x + 2 \oint_{\partial\mathcal{M}} (Y - Y_0)\sqrt{h} d^3y,$$

with Y (Y_0) the trace of extrinsic curvature of $\partial\mathcal{M}$ in $(\mathcal{M}, g_{\mu\nu})$ (resp. $(\mathcal{M}, \eta_{\mu\nu})$). We consider a $3 + 1$ slicing, write

$$\mathcal{S}_t := \partial\mathcal{M} \cap \Sigma_t.$$

and define a Lagrangian density on $(\gamma_{ij}, \dot{\gamma}_{ij}; N, \beta)$. Construct a Hamiltonian through a Legendre transformation $(\gamma_{ij}, \dot{\gamma}_{ij}) \rightarrow (\gamma_{ij}, \Pi^{ij} \equiv \frac{\delta L}{\delta \dot{\gamma}_{ij}})$:

$$H = - \int_{\Sigma_t^{\text{int}}} (NC_0 - 2\beta^i C_i) \sqrt{\gamma} d^3x - 2 \oint_{\mathcal{S}_t} [N(\kappa - \kappa_0) + \beta^i (K_{ij} - K\gamma_{ij})s^j] \sqrt{q} d^2y$$

where κ (and κ_0) is the trace of the extrinsic curvature of \mathcal{S}_t embedded in (Σ_t, γ_{ij}) (resp. embedded in (Σ_t, f_{ij})), s^i normal to \mathcal{S}_t in Σ_t and:

$$C_0 := R + K^2 - K_{ij}K^{ij},$$

$$C_i := D_j K^j_i - D_i K$$

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$$H_{\text{solution}} = -2 \oint_{\mathcal{S}_t} [N(\kappa - \kappa_0) + \beta^i (K_{ij} - K\gamma_{ij})s^j] \sqrt{q} d^2y.$$

Remark:

- H as *generator of diffeomorphisms*: vanishing for *gauge transformations* (not moving points of the phase space).
- In spacetimes with boundaries not all the diffeomorphisms are gauge transformations: implications for the quantum theory (residual degrees of freedom: diffeomorphisms not preserving boundary conditions).

ADM mass [Arnowitt, Deser & Misner 60,62]

Total energy contained in Σ_t : value of H_{solution} on a surface \mathcal{S}_t at spatial infinity (i.e. for $r \rightarrow +\infty$) and coordinates (t, x^i) associated with some asymptotically inertial observer (i.e. $N = 1, \beta^i = 0$):

$$M_{\text{ADM}} := -\frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{S_t \rightarrow \infty} \oint_{S_t} (\kappa - \kappa_0) \sqrt{q} d^2y .$$

Evaluating κ and κ_0 :

$$M_{\text{ADM}} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{S_t \rightarrow \infty} \oint_{S_t} [D^j \gamma_{ij} - \mathcal{D}_i (f^{kl} \gamma_{kl})] s^i \sqrt{q} d^2y ,$$

In Cartesian-type coordinates (x^i) in the definition of asymptotic flatness:

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Remark:

Asymptotic flatness fall-off conditions makes the integral finite.

ADM Linear Momentum

- ADM momentum: conserved quantity associated with spatial translations. In the Cartesian-type coordinates (x^i) three directions for translations at spatial infinity, $(\partial_i)_{i \in \{1,2,3\}}$: $N = 0$ and $\beta^i = 1$:

$$P_i := \frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{S_t \rightarrow \infty} \oint_{S_t} (K_{jk} - K\gamma_{jk}) (\partial_i)^j s^k \sqrt{q} d^2y, \quad i \in \{1, 2, 3\}.$$

- ADM 4-momentum:

$$P_\alpha^{\text{ADM}} := (-M_{\text{ADM}}, P_1, P_2, P_3)$$

transforms under those $(x^\alpha) = (t, x^i) \rightarrow (x'^\alpha) = (t', x'^i)$ preserving spatial asymptotic flatness properties $i) - iii)$, as:

$$P'_\alpha{}^{\text{ADM}} = (\Lambda^{-1})^\mu{}_\alpha P_\mu^{\text{ADM}}.$$

Remark:

Correct transformation under (vector linear representation of) the Poincaré group.

Angular Momentum at spatial infinity

Standard approach to Angular Momentum: conserved quantity under rotations.
 A first attempt: evaluate H_{solution} with $N = 0$ and β^i given by rotational Killing vector ϕ of the asymptotic flat metric f_{ij} (as in P_i , but with $(\partial_i)^j \rightarrow (\phi_i)^j$):

$$\phi_x = -z\partial_y + y\partial_z$$

$$\phi_y = -x\partial_z + z\partial_x$$

$$\phi_z = -y\partial_x + x\partial_y.$$

$$J_i := \frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{S_t \rightarrow \infty} \oint_{S_t} (K_{jk} - K\gamma_{jk}) (\phi_i)^j s^k \sqrt{q} d^2y, \quad i \in \{1, 2, 3\}.$$

Problems:

- Supertranslations ambiguity: J_i do not transform properly under infinite-dimensional asymptotic symmetries (non-trivial commutator of rotations and translations in Poincaré).
- Fall-off conditions: not enough by themselves to guarantee finite J_i .

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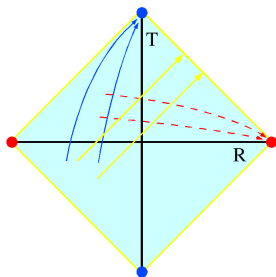
Removing ambiguities:

- Define a subclass of coordinate systems and transformations for which J_i transforms as a vector, by imposing more restrictive fall-off conditions [e.g. York 79, in terms of a conformal metric $\gamma_{ij} = \Psi^4 \tilde{\gamma}_{ij}$]:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \tilde{\gamma}_{ij}}{\partial x^j} &= O(r^{-3}), \\ K &= O(r^{-3}). \end{aligned}$$

- These are *asymptotic gauge conditions*.
- Other prescriptions in the literature.
- Strictly speaking, no “ADM angular momentum”.

A brief (vague) note on null infinity \mathcal{I}



Generic issues:

- Bondi (Bondi-Sachs, Trautman-Bondi) mass M_{Bondi} : positive quantity defined on \mathcal{I}^+ , monotonically decreasing from M_{ADM} .
- Linear momentum P_{Bondi}^i properly defined.
- Ambiguities in the identification of Poincaré group: BMS group.
- Framework providing rigorous understanding of gravitational wave emission and energy carried out from the system.
- Subtle issues on matching with i^0 and i^+ still to be assessed.

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Komar quantities [Komar 59]

Let us consider a Killing vector field (infinitesimal isometry) k^μ in \mathcal{M} and a closed 2-surface \mathcal{S}_t . We define the Komar quantity k_K as,

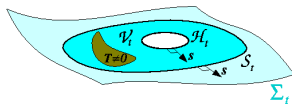
$$k_K := -\frac{1}{8\pi} \oint_{\mathcal{S}_t} \nabla^\mu k^\nu dS_{\mu\nu},$$

with

$$dS_{\mu\nu} = (s_\mu n_\nu - n_\mu s_\nu) \sqrt{q} d^2y.$$

Then, the Komar quantity is conserved in the sense that it does not depend on \mathcal{S}_t as long as one stays outside matter:

$$k_K = 2 \int_{\mathcal{V}_t} \left(T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} T g_{\mu\nu} \right) n^\mu k^\nu \sqrt{\gamma} d^3x + k_K^{\mathcal{H}}.$$



Remark:

- k_K coordinate independent.
- Slicing $\{\Sigma_t\}$ not needed.

Komar mass

For **stationary** spacetimes, k^μ timelike Killing vector. If asymptotically flat, unique by normalization to $k^\mu k_\mu = -1$ at spatial infinity. Then:

$$M_K := -\frac{1}{8\pi} \oint_{S_t} \nabla^\mu k^\nu dS_{\mu\nu},$$

Given a 3-slicing $\{\Sigma_t\}$ and choosing $(\partial_t)^\mu = k^\mu$:

$$M_K = \frac{1}{4\pi} \oint_{S_t} (s^i D_i N - K_{ij} s^i \beta^j) \sqrt{q} d^2 y.$$

Remark:

For foliations $\{\Sigma_t\}$ whose unit normal vector n^μ coincide with the timelike Killing vector k^μ at spatial infinity (i.e. $N \rightarrow 1$ and $\beta \rightarrow 0$ [Beig, Ashtekar, Magnon-Ashtekar]):

$$M_K = M_{\text{ADM}}.$$

Relevant for helical symmetry for quasi-circular binaries [Detweiler, Meudon group...].

Komar angular momentum

Let us consider an **axisymmetric** spacetime with axial Killing vector ϕ^μ . That is, ϕ^μ is a spacelike Killing vector whose action on \mathcal{M} has compact orbits, two stationary points (the poles), and normalized such that its natural affine parameter moves in $[0, 2\pi)$. Then, the Komar angular momentum is given by:

$$J_K := \frac{1}{16\pi} \oint_{S_t} \nabla^\mu \phi^\nu dS_{\mu\nu} .$$

Adopting a 3-slicing adapted to the axisymmetry ($n^\mu \phi_\mu = 0$), we have:

$$J_K = \frac{1}{8\pi} \oint_{S_t} K_{ij} s^i \phi^j \sqrt{q} d^2y .$$

Remark:

No ambiguity in the Komar angular momentum, in contrast with the ADM one.

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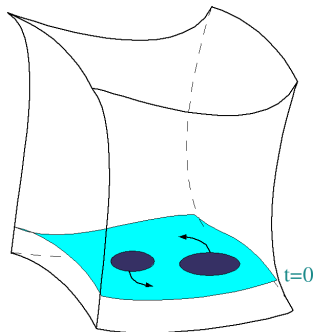
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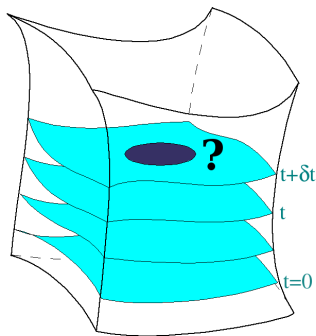
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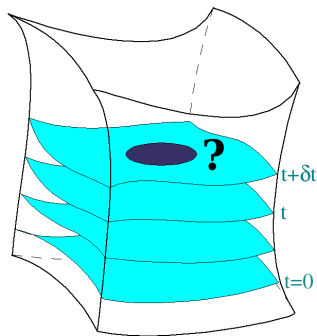
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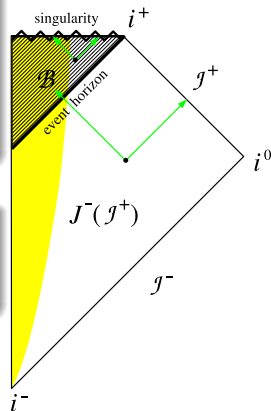
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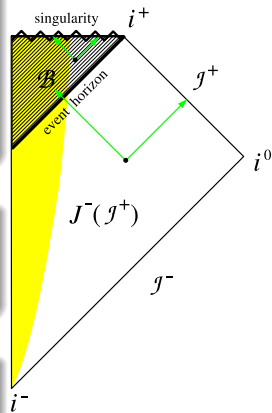
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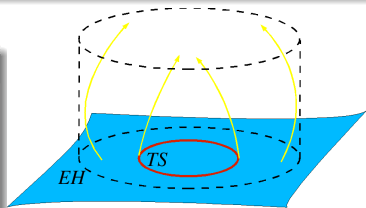
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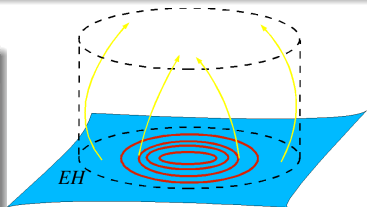
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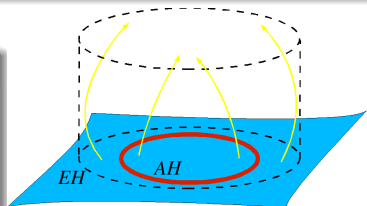
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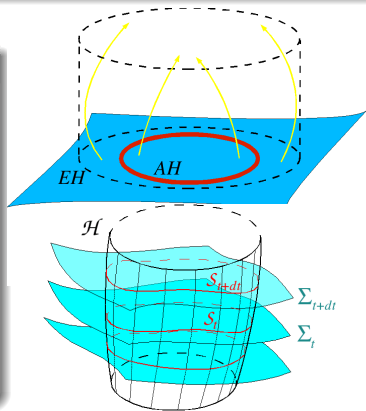
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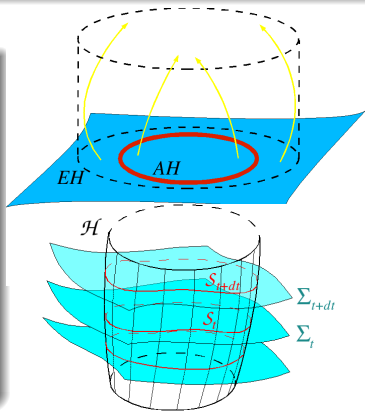
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Properties and Applications of Isolated and Dynamical/Trapping Horizons

- Geometric object that can be located along a Cauchy evolution.
- It provides expressions for **mass** and **angular momentum**.
- It offers an approach to a geometric description of black hole deformations through mass and angular momentum (source) **multipoles**.

The Black Hole quasi-equilibrium case: Isolated Horizons

Basic notion: apparent horizon \mathcal{S}_t

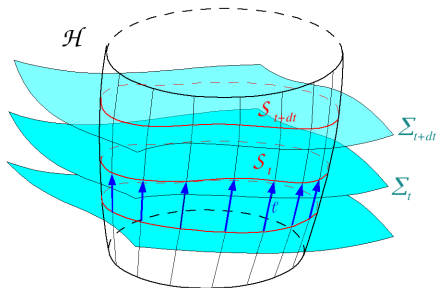
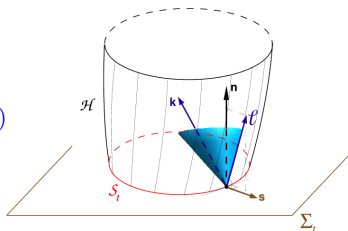
s^μ unit normal vector to \mathcal{S}_t , in Σ_t

ℓ^μ outgoing null vector

k^μ ingoing null vector ($k^\mu \ell_\mu = -1$)

$q_{\mu\nu} = \gamma_{\mu\nu} - s_\mu s_\nu$ induced metric on \mathcal{S}_t

$\theta(\ell) \equiv q^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \ell_\nu = 0$ Vanishing (outgoing) expansion
(apparent horizon condition)



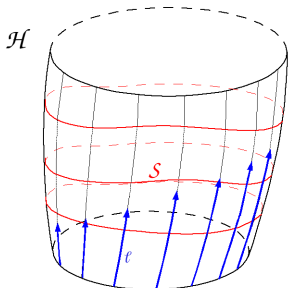
World-tube \mathcal{H} of apparent horizons \mathcal{S}_t
 \mathcal{S}_t constant area $\Rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ null hypersurface
 \mathcal{H} generated by ℓ^μ : outgoing null vector

Given the induced slicing $\{\mathcal{S}_t\} \Rightarrow$
 Natural evolution vector on \mathcal{H} :

$$\ell = N \cdot (n^\mu + s^\mu)$$

(ℓ Lie drags the surfaces \mathcal{S}_t)

Isolated horizons: geometric definition



[Ashtekar and Krishnan, Liv.Rev.Rel 7, 10 (2004)]

Non-expanding horizon

- Null-hypersurface $\mathcal{H} \approx S^2 \times \mathbb{R}$ sliced by marginally (outer) trapped surfaces \mathcal{S} :
 $\theta_{(\ell)} = 0$.
 Raychaudhuri equation $\Rightarrow \sigma_{(\ell)} = 0$
- Einstein equations satisfied on \mathcal{H}
- $-T^\mu{}_\nu \ell^\nu$ future directed

Well defined connection $\hat{\nabla}$, induced by the spacetime ∇ :

Geometry of the null hypersurface \mathcal{H} characterized by $(q_{\mu\nu}, \hat{\nabla})$

- Some components of $\hat{\nabla}$ define an intrinsic 1-form ω on \mathcal{H} :

$$\hat{\nabla}_\mu \ell^\nu = \omega_\mu \ell^\nu$$

- Notion of surface gravity: $\hat{\nabla}_\ell \ell^\mu = \kappa_{(\ell)} \ell^\mu \Leftrightarrow \boxed{\kappa_{(\ell)} = \ell^\mu \omega_\mu}$

Isolated horizons: hierarchical structure

Physical idea: dynamical spacetime with a black hole in equilibrium.

Isolated Horizon hierarchy: increasing level of equilibrium.

- Non-Expanding Horizon (NEH): $\mathcal{L}_\ell q_{\mu\nu} = 0$
(minimal constraint on the geometry)

- Weakly Isolated Horizon (WIH): $\mathcal{L}_\ell \omega_\mu = 0$
Dependent on ℓ due to the rescaling behaviour:

$$\ell \rightarrow \ell' = \alpha \ell \implies \omega \rightarrow \omega + \hat{\nabla} \alpha$$

Restriction of ℓ to a WIH-equivalence class: $\ell \sim \ell'$ iff $\ell' = \text{const} \cdot \ell$

WIH = NEH + WIH-equivalence class of null normals

(not a restriction on the null geometry!)

- (Strongly) Isolated Horizon: $[\mathcal{L}_\ell, \hat{\nabla}] = 0$
(strongest equilibrium condition on the geometry)

Geometrical consequences

NEH

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \theta_{(\ell)} = 0 \\ \sigma_{(\ell)} = 0 \end{array} \right\} \implies \mathcal{L}_{\ell} q_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

In addition, for the components of the Weyl tensor:

$$d\omega = \text{Im}\Psi_2{}^2\epsilon \ ; \ \Psi_0 = 0 = \Psi_1$$

WIH

$$\mathcal{L}_{\ell}\omega = 0 \Leftrightarrow \hat{\nabla}\kappa_{(\ell)} = 0 \text{ (zeroth law of BH mechanics)}$$

If $\kappa_{(\ell)} \neq \text{const}$, then $\ell' = \alpha\ell$, with $\text{const} = \nabla_{\ell}\alpha + \alpha\kappa_{\ell}$, has $\text{const} \kappa_{(\ell')}$.

Therefore, a WIH is not a restriction on a NEH.

It is rather a condition on the null normal $\ell \Leftrightarrow$ the 3+1 slicing

WIH-compatible slicings

IH

Mass and angular momentum *multipole moments* characterizing the horizon \mathcal{H}

Physical Parameters: Symmetries

Approach in the Isolated Horizon approach

Physical parameter: conserved quantity under a *symmetry* transformation (*canonical transformation* on the solution (phase) space of Einstein equation)

Underlying symmetry notion:

WIH-symmetries

A vector field \mathbf{W} on a WIH $(\mathcal{H}, [\ell])$ is a WIH-symmetry iff:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{W}}\ell = \text{const} \cdot \ell, \quad \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{W}}q = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{W}}\omega = 0$$

General form of \mathbf{W} :

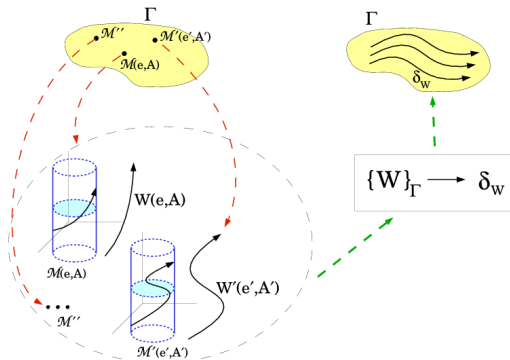
$$\mathbf{W} = c_{\mathbf{W}}\ell + b_{\mathbf{W}}\mathbf{S}$$

where $c_{\mathbf{W}}$ and $b_{\mathbf{W}}$ are constants and \mathbf{S} is a symmetry of \mathcal{S}_t .

Physical Parameters: symplectic (Hamiltonian) analysis

Procedure

- 1) Construction of the phase space Γ (each point a spacetime \mathcal{M})
- 2) In particular the symplectic form (closed 2-form).
- 3) Extension of \mathbf{W} on \mathcal{H} to infinitesimal diffeomorphism on each $\mathcal{M} \rightarrow$ family $\{\mathbf{W}\}_\Gamma$
- 4) $\{\mathbf{W}\}_\Gamma \rightarrow$ canonical transformation $\delta_{\mathbf{W}}$ on Γ ($\delta_{\mathbf{W}}$ preserves the symplectic form \Leftrightarrow existence of a Hamiltonian function $H_{\mathbf{W}}$ for $\delta_{\mathbf{W}}$).
- 5) Physical parameter: conserved $H_{\mathbf{W}}$ under $\delta_{\mathbf{W}}$



Physical Parameters: angular momentum

Angular momentum

ϕ^μ axial symmetry on $\mathcal{S}_t \rightarrow \delta_\phi$ canonical transformation

$$J_{\mathcal{H}} = -\frac{1}{8\pi G} \int_{\mathcal{S}_t} \omega_\mu \phi^\mu \cdot {}^2\epsilon = -\frac{1}{4\pi G} \int_{\mathcal{S}_t} f \text{Im} \Psi_2 \cdot {}^2\epsilon$$

with $\phi = {}^2\bar{D}f \cdot {}^2\epsilon$ (since ϕ is divergence-free)

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Remark:

Coincides with the expression for Komar angular momentum.

Physical Parameters: mass

Mass: *1st law of black hole thermodynamics*

Evolution vector $t = \ell + \Omega_{(t)}\phi$.

1. Transformation δ_t canonical iff $\exists E_{\mathcal{H}}^t$:

$$\delta E_{\mathcal{H}}^t = \frac{\kappa_{(t)}(a_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}})}{8\pi G} \delta a_{\mathcal{H}} + \Omega_{(t)}(a_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) \delta J_{\mathcal{H}}$$

with $a_{\mathcal{H}} = \int_{S_t} {}^2\epsilon = 4\pi R_{\mathcal{H}}^2$ the area of S_t .

2. Normalization of the energy function: stationary Kerr family $(a_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}})$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{\mathcal{H}}(R_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) &:= M_{\text{Kerr}}(R_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) = \frac{\sqrt{R_{\mathcal{H}}^4 + 4G^2 J_{\mathcal{H}}^2}}{2GR_{\mathcal{H}}}, \\ \kappa_{\mathcal{H}}(R_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) &:= \kappa_{\text{Kerr}}(R_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) = \frac{R_{\mathcal{H}}^4 - 4G^2 J_{\mathcal{H}}^2}{2R_{\mathcal{H}}^3 \sqrt{R_{\mathcal{H}}^4 + 4G^2 J_{\mathcal{H}}^2}}, \\ \Omega_{\mathcal{H}}(R_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) &:= \Omega_{\text{Kerr}}(R_{\mathcal{H}}, J_{\mathcal{H}}) = \frac{2GJ_{\mathcal{H}}}{R_{\mathcal{H}} \sqrt{R_{\mathcal{H}}^4 + 4G^2 J_{\mathcal{H}}^2}} \end{aligned}$$

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Applications/need in multiple domains of Gravity

Numerical relativity (e.g. BH mergers), Quantum Gravity (e.g. BH entropy calculations), mathematical relativity (e.g. geometric flows and inequalities)...

Problem:

“Plethora” of proposals

Mass:

Approaches based on [see e.g. Brown & York 93]:

- Pseudo-tensor methods, leading to coordinate-dependent expressions.
- Identification of symmetries and construction of Noether charges [e.g. Wald, Wald & Iyer, Isolated Horizons here,...].
- Mathematical expressions from Cauchy data exhibiting physical properties associated with energy/mass [e.g. Hawking mass, Bartnik mass...].
- Action principle through a Hamilton-Jacobi-type analysis [e.g. Brown & York 93].
- ...

Applications and caveats

Angular momentum:

Key problem: identification of axial vector ϕ^μ . Different approaches:

- Axial symmetry [e.g. [Isolated Horizons here](#)].
- Prescriptions for a quasi-Killing vector (not respecting divergence-free character of ϕ^μ) [e.g. [Dreyer et al. 03](#)].
- Approximate Killing vector via a minimization variational prescription respecting the divergence-free character of ϕ^μ [e.g. [Cook & Whiting 07](#)].
- ϕ^μ consistent with the unique slicing of a Dynamical Trapping Horizon [[Hayward 06](#)].
- From a conformal decomposition of the metric [[Korzynski 07](#)].
- ...

Remark:

Divergence-free ϕ^μ : it suffices to guarantee the Komar mass expression to be well-defined on a closed 2-surface \mathcal{S}_t (independence of a boost on the slice).

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Positivity of ADM mass

Dominant energy condition:

For any timelike and future-directed vector v^μ , the vector $-T^\alpha{}_\mu v^\mu$ must be a future-directed timelike or null vector.

If v^μ is the 4-velocity of some observer, $-T^\alpha{}_\mu v^\mu$ is the energy-momentum density 4-vector as measured by the observer and the dominant energy condition means that this vector must be causal.

Positivity of mass Theorem: [Schoen & Yau 79,81, Witten 81].

If the matter content of an asymptotically flat spacetime satisfies the dominant energy condition, then:

$$M_{\text{ADM}} \geq 0.$$

Furthermore, $M_{\text{ADM}} = 0$ if and only if Σ_t is a hypersurface of Minkowski spacetime.

Difficult to overestimate the relevance of this theorem...

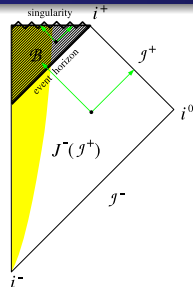
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Weak Cosmic Censorship Conjecture

Establishment's gravitational collapse picture:

- 1 **Singularity theorems:** when sufficient matter-energy density [e.g Penrose 65, Hawking & Penrose 70].
- 2 **Weak Cosmic Censorship Conjecture:** formation of an event horizon hiding the singularity.
- 3 **Evolution towards a final stationary state.**
- 4 **Black Hole uniqueness theorems:** final state is Kerr.



Heuristic chain of theorems and conjectures:

- Collapse gives rise to an event horizon \mathcal{E} (assumes “conformal compactification picture” holds).
- Consider the Area $A_{\mathcal{E}}^t$ of the intersection \mathcal{E} with a Cauchy slice Σ_t .
- Assume event horizon settles down to Kerr, with area:

$$A_{\text{Kerr}} = 8\pi \left(M_{\text{Kerr}}^2 + \sqrt{M_{\text{Kerr}}^4 - J^2} \right) \leq 16\pi M_{\text{Kerr}}^2.$$
- Identify M_{Kerr} with final Bondi mass $M_{\text{Bondi}}^\infty \leq M_{\text{ADM}}$.

Then,

$$A_{\mathcal{E}}^t \leq A_{\text{Kerr}} \leq 16\pi M_{\text{Kerr}}^2 = 16\pi (M_{\text{Bondi}}^\infty)^2 \leq 16\pi M_{\text{ADM}}^2.$$

Penrose inequality

Assuming *weak asymptotic predictability*, apparent horizons lay inside the event horizon. Then, we can formulate a version of Penrose inequality on Cauchy data:

Penrose's inequality (Penrose 73, Horowitz 84, ...)

Given the outermost marginally trapped surface \mathcal{S} contained in Σ (with the dominant energy condition), it is **conjectured** that

$$A \leq 16\pi M_{\text{ADM}}^2$$

where A is the minimal area enclosing the apparent horizon \mathcal{S} [Ben-Dov 04]. Proved in the Riemannian case $K_{ij} = 0$ [Huisken & Ilmanen 97, Bray 99].

Refinement of the positive mass theorem for BH spacetimes:

Defining the Black Hole irreducible mass, $M_{\text{irred}} \equiv \sqrt{A/16\pi}$, Penrose inequality can be written as:

$$0 \leq M_{\text{irred}} \leq M_{\text{ADM}}$$

Penrose inequality has also been interpreted as an *isoperimetric inequality* for BH spacetimes [Gibbons 84, 97, Gibbons & Holzegel 06].

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Black Hole extremality and geometric inequalities

For subextremal Kerr black holes, it is satisfied $J \leq M_{\text{Kerr}}^2$.

More *generally* (but keeping axisymmetry):

Angular momentum-mass inequality (Theorem) [Dain 06]

For vacuum, maximal ($K = 0$), asymptotically flat, axisymmetric data:

$$|J| \leq M_{\text{ADM}}^2$$

Inequality saturates only for a slice of extremal Kerr.

Does an analogue inequality holds in fully general cases?

Astrophysicists (we) are going to look *observationally* for that...

- Certainly, not *any* prescription holds: c.f. examples with $J/M_{\text{Komar}}^2 \geq 1$. Attempts of proving $8\pi|J| \leq A$ in certain regimes (with matter) [Petroff, Ansorg, Hennig, Pfister 05,08].
- **Problem:** Ambiguities in quasi-local masses and angular momentum...



Alternative approach: characterization of (quasi-local) extremality by the absence of trapped surfaces [Booth & Fairhurst 07].

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"Summary":

- Gravitational energy in GR can be defined for extended spatial regions, and (generically) involves the introduction of some additional structure.
- Total ADM/Bondi quantities can be defined (positivity of total mass).
- For bounded regions there are inequivalent possibilities: "ambiguity" vs. "richness" ...
- Study of properties of global and quasi-local notions of mass (and angular momentum) have extensive current applications in different areas of Gravity physics. "Interdisciplinary" field of research...
- BH astrophysical estimations of M and J , good enough using Kerr...
- But need to distinguish between appropriate approximations and conceptual full understanding.
- Moreover, "state of the art" of the *problem of motion* in full GR dependent on the subcommunity: "everyday calculations" on numerical relativity vs. "existence issues" in mathematical relativity [e.g. Choquet-Bruhat & Friedrich 06].

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