

Symmetries and peeling in the extreme Reissner-Nordström spacetime

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Black holes and their symmetries

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The extreme Reissner-Nordström (ERN) black hole

ERN = static and spherically symmetric solution (\mathcal{M}, g, F) to the electrovacuum Einstein-Maxwell equations defined in a patch $\mathbb{R} \times (0, +\infty) \times \mathbb{S}^2$ spanned by Schwarzschild-like coordinates (t, r, θ, φ) by

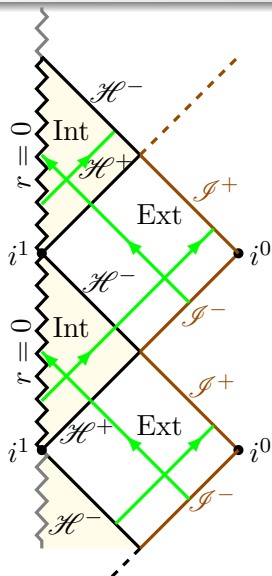
$$g = - \left(1 - \frac{M}{r}\right)^2 dt^2 + \left(1 - \frac{M}{r}\right)^{-2} dr^2 + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2)$$

$$F = - \frac{Q}{r^2} dt \wedge dr + P \sin \theta d\theta \wedge d\varphi$$

where the electric charge Q and the magnetic charge P obey $\sqrt{Q^2 + P^2} = M$.

\implies describes a black hole with the event horizon located at $r = M$.

Carter-Penrose diagram of ERN maximal analytic extension



Compactified diagram of the maximal analytic extension of the ERN spacetime [Carter, Phys. Lett. **21**, 423 (1966)]

Eddington-Finkelstein-type (EF) coordinates:

- outgoing: $u := t - r_*$, $r_* := \frac{r(r - 2M)}{r - M} + 2M \ln \left| \frac{r}{M} - 1 \right|$
- ingoing: $v := t + r_*$

Compactified coordinates: $U := \arctan \left(\frac{u}{2M} \right)$, $V = \arctan \left(\frac{v}{2M} \right)$

i^0 : spatial infinity

i^1 : internal infinity (infinitely long throat along any $t = \text{const}$ hypersurface)

The degenerate event horizon

The black hole event horizon \mathcal{H}^+ is the hypersurface $r = M$ in an ingoing patch (v, r, θ, φ) . \mathcal{H}^+ is a **degenerate Killing horizon** with respect to the Killing vector $\xi = \partial_t$

degenerate Killing horizon \iff surface gravity κ , defined by $\nabla_\xi \xi \stackrel{\mathcal{H}^+}{=} \kappa \xi$, is vanishing:

$$\kappa = 0$$

$\implies \xi$ is a geodesic vector field on \mathcal{H}^+ : $\nabla_\xi \xi \stackrel{\mathcal{H}^+}{=} 0$

$\implies t$ is an affine parameter along the null geodesic generators of \mathcal{H}^+

\implies the null geodesic generators of \mathcal{H}^+ are complete geodesics (no bifurcation surface);
internal infinity $i^1 = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty}$ along the null geodesic generators

ξ is null on \mathcal{H}^+ and is timelike both in the black hole exterior and in the black hole interior (contrary to Schwarzschild)

Near-horizon geometry

“Near-horizon magnifying” coordinates ($\varepsilon \neq 0$):
$$\begin{cases} T := \varepsilon \frac{t}{M} \\ R := \frac{r - M}{\varepsilon M} \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} t =: M \frac{T}{\varepsilon} \\ r =: M(1 + \varepsilon R) \end{cases}$$

At fixed (T, R) , $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} t = +\infty$ and $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} r = M$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{g} = M^2 \left[-\frac{R^2}{(1 + \varepsilon R)^2} \mathbf{d}T^2 + (1 + \varepsilon R)^2 \frac{\mathbf{d}R^2}{R^2} + (1 + \varepsilon R)^2 (\mathbf{d}\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta \mathbf{d}\varphi^2) \right]$$

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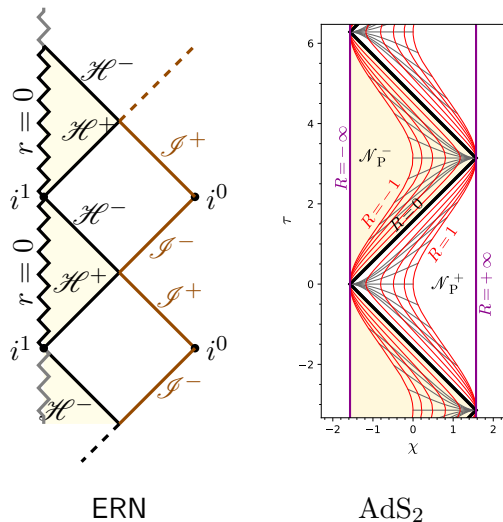
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Near-horizon (NHEN) metric: $h = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} g \Rightarrow$ product metric of $\text{AdS}_2 \times \mathbb{S}^2$ [Carter 1973]:

$$h = M^2 \left(\underbrace{-R^2 dT^2 + \frac{dR^2}{R^2}}_{\text{AdS}_2} + \underbrace{d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2}_{\mathbb{S}^2} \right)$$

also known as **Bertotti-Robinson metric** — another solution (1959) of the electrovacuum Einstein-Maxwell equations.

Near-horizon region mapped to AdS_2 

(T, R) are **Poincaré coordinates** in a Poincaré patch \mathcal{N}_P^\pm of AdS_2 , bounded by the **Poincaré horizon** \mathcal{H}_P at $R = 0$.

Global AdS_2 coordinates: $(\tau, \chi) \in \mathbb{R} \times (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$

such that

$$\begin{cases} T := \frac{\sin \tau}{\cos \tau + \sin \chi} \\ R := \frac{\cos \tau + \sin \chi}{\cos \chi} \end{cases}$$

Both the ERN horizon and the Poincaré horizon are degenerate Killing horizons.

Near-horizon enhanced symmetries

NHERN metric: $h = M^2 \left(-R^2 dT^2 + \frac{dR^2}{R^2} + d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2 \right)$

Killing vectors of the AdS_2 sector:

- $\xi_1 = \partial_T \quad \leftarrow$ inherited from ENR stationarity
- $\xi_2 = T\partial_T - R\partial_R \quad \leftarrow$ generates the isometries $(T, R) \mapsto \left(\alpha T, \frac{R}{\alpha}\right)$, $\alpha > 0$
- $\xi_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left(T^2 + \frac{1}{R^2} \right) \partial_T - RT\partial_R \quad \leftarrow$ from the global stationarity of AdS_2 : $\xi_3 = \partial_\tau - \frac{1}{2}\xi_1$

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$$[\xi_2, \xi_1] = -\xi_1, \quad [\xi_2, \xi_3] = \xi_3, \quad [\xi_1, \xi_3] = \xi_2 \quad \implies \quad \mathfrak{sl}(2, \mathbb{R}) \text{ algebra}$$

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Isometry groups

$$G_{\text{ERN}} = \mathbb{R} \times \text{SO}(3)$$

$$\dim G_{\text{ERN}} = 4$$

$$G_{\text{NHERN}} = \text{SL}(2, \mathbb{R}) \times \text{SO}(3)$$

$$\dim G_{\text{NHERN}} = 6$$

A peculiar feature of ERN: the Couch-Torrence inversion

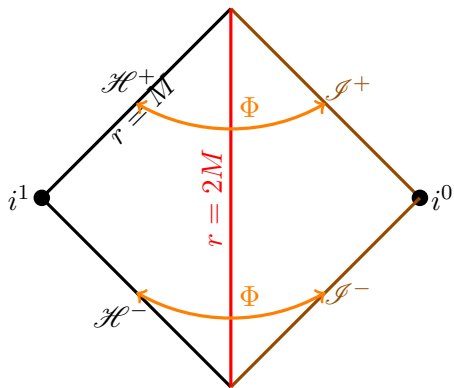
The map $\Phi : \text{Ext} \rightarrow \text{Ext}$ defined by

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is an involution that fixes the photon sphere $\{r = 2M\}$ and interchanges \mathcal{H}^+ and \mathcal{I}^+ , as well as \mathcal{H}^- and \mathcal{I}^- .



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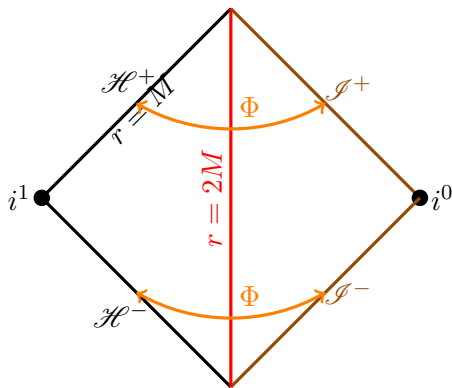
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Φ is a **conformal isometry** of the exterior region:

$$\Phi^* g = \frac{M^2}{(r-M)^2} g$$

[Couch & Torrence, Gen. Relat. Gravit. **16**, 789 (1984)]

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Peeling in Minkowski spacetime

Peeling of massless fields (Sachs, 1961)

An outgoing massless field Ψ of spin s , along a null geodesic \mathcal{L} to \mathcal{I}^+ , can be expanded as

$$\Psi = \sum_{k=0}^{2s-1} \frac{\Psi_k}{r^{k+1}} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^{2s+1}}\right),$$

where r is an affine parameter along \mathcal{L} and Ψ_k has $2s - k$ principal null directions (PND) that coincide with the null tangent to \mathcal{L} .

- $s = 1$: $\Psi = F$, ℓ PND $\iff \ell^a F_{a[b\ell_{c]} = 0$, $F = \frac{N}{r} + \frac{I}{r^2} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right)$
- $s = 2$: $\Psi = C$, ℓ PND $\iff \ell^b \ell^c \ell_{[e} C_{a]bc[d\ell_{f]} = 0$, $C = \frac{N}{r} + \frac{III}{r^2} + \frac{II}{r^3} + \frac{I}{r^4} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^5}\right)$

Extending the peeling to asymptotically flat spacetimes

Penrose conformal completion

Physical spacetime manifold (\mathcal{M}, g) admits a *conformal completion at infinity* iff \exists a Lorentzian manifold $(\hat{\mathcal{M}}, \hat{g})$ with boundary \mathcal{I} and a smooth function $\Omega : \hat{\mathcal{M}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that

- \mathcal{M} is the interior of $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$: $\hat{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{M} \sqcup \mathcal{I}$
- on \mathcal{M} , $\Omega > 0$ and $\hat{g} = \Omega^2 g$
- on \mathcal{I} , $\Omega = 0$ and $d\Omega \neq 0$

Penrose reformulation of peeling (1965)

The peeling property of Ψ is equivalent to the conformally rescaled Ψ extending to a continuous field at \mathcal{I} .

This works well for Minkowski, which has a fully regular conformal compactification in the Einstein cylinder $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{S}^3$, including at spatial infinity i^0 .

But, for a curved spacetime, i^0 is in general a singular point and it is not clear whether the peeling of massless fields holds for a sufficiently generic class of initial data...

The peeling à la Mason-Nicolas

Penrose peeling involves an expansion in powers of $1/r$ inherited from a Taylor expansion of the field that is assumed to be C^k at \mathcal{I}^+ . Now, the initial value problem of hyperbolic equations is ill-posed in C^k spaces, so it is difficult to characterize the class of initial data that give rise to such a peeling.

In 2009, L. Mason & J.-P. Nicolas [J. Inst. Math. Jussieu 8, 179] have reformulated the peeling in Schwarzschild spacetime by characterizing the regularity at \mathcal{I}^+ in terms of Sobolev-type spaces, via energy fluxes with respect to the Morawetz vector field.

Sobolev norms are adapted to the initial value problem for hyperbolic equations and Mason & Nicolas could provide a complete description of the class of initial data on a Cauchy hypersurface that give rise to a peeling at any order at \mathcal{I}^+ .

We are going to consider Mason-Nicolas peeling in ERN spacetime

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The conformal wave equation

Massless field equations are conformally invariant. Here we focus on the spin $s = 0$ case, i.e. a **scalar field**.

On spacetime (\mathcal{M}, g) , the **conformal wave equation** for a scalar field ϕ is

$$\square_g \phi - \frac{\mathcal{R}}{6} \phi = 0, \quad (1)$$

where $\square_g := \nabla_\mu \nabla^\mu$ and \mathcal{R} is the Ricci scalar of g .

(1) is **conformally invariant**: if $\hat{g} = \Omega^2 g$,

$$(1) \iff \square_{\hat{g}} \hat{\phi} - \frac{\hat{\mathcal{R}}}{6} \hat{\phi} = 0 \text{ for } \hat{\phi} := \Omega^{-1} \phi$$

Conformal completion of ERN

ERN in outgoing EF ($u := t - r_*$): $\mathbf{g} = - \left(1 - \frac{M}{r}\right)^2 \mathbf{d}u^2 - 2\mathbf{d}u\mathbf{d}r + r^2 (\mathbf{d}\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta \mathbf{d}\varphi^2)$

Choice of conformal factor: $\Omega = 1/r$

→ same as for conformal completion of Schwarzschild introduced by Penrose (1965)

→ different from the standard one for Minkowski: $\Omega = 2[(1 + (t - r)^2)(1 + (t + r)^2)]^{-1/2}$

In terms of the coordinates (u, R, θ, φ) where $R := 1/r$, $\Omega = R$ and the conformal metric is

$$\hat{\mathbf{g}} = R^2 \mathbf{g} = -R^2(1 - MR)^2 \mathbf{d}u^2 + 2\mathbf{d}u\mathbf{d}R + \mathbf{d}\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta \mathbf{d}\varphi^2$$

$\implies \mathcal{I}^+$ is the hypersurface $R = 0$ and is spanned by the coordinates (u, θ, φ)

NB: i^0 remains at infinity, at $u \rightarrow -\infty$ on each slice $t = \text{const.}$

The conformal wave equation on ERN

For ERN (as for any electrovacuum solution in 4-dim GR), $\mathcal{R} = 0$

\implies conformal wave equation (1) reduces to $\square_g \phi = 0$

But $\hat{R} = 12MR(MR - 1) \neq 0$ and the conformal wave equation becomes

$$\square_{\hat{g}} \hat{\phi} + 2MR(1 - MR)\hat{\phi} = 0, \quad \hat{\phi} := R^{-1}\phi, \quad (2)$$

with

$$\square_{\hat{g}} \hat{\phi} = 2 \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\phi}}{\partial u \partial R} + \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(R^2 (1 - MR)^2 \frac{\partial \hat{\phi}}{\partial R} \right) + \Delta_{\mathbb{S}^2} \hat{\phi}$$

Goal

Characterize the regularity at \mathcal{I}^+ of the solution ϕ in terms of the regularity and decay of the initial data on a Cauchy hypersurface Σ_0 .

Focusing on a neighborhood of i^0

In order to control the regularity of $\hat{\phi}$ at \mathcal{I}^+ , it suffices to control it in a neighborhood of i^0 : provided the initial data have the correct regularity away from i^0 , the regularity of $\hat{\phi}$ can be seen to extend to the whole of \mathcal{I}^+ .

Choose the Cauchy hypersurface $\Sigma_0 = \{t = 0\}$

For $u_0 \ll -M$, define the neighborhood of i^0 in the future of Σ_0 by

$$\Omega_{u_0} = \{u \leq u_0, t \geq 0\}$$

The boundary of Ω_{u_0} is made of 3 parts:

$$\Sigma_{0,u_0} = \Sigma_0 \cap \Omega_{u_0}, \quad \mathcal{I}_{u_0}^+ = \mathcal{I}^+ \cap \Omega_{u_0}, \quad \mathcal{S}_{u_0} = \{u = u_0\} \cap \Omega_{u_0}$$

The Morawetz vector field and the associated energy current

Consider the vector field

$$\mathbf{K} := u^2 \partial_u - 2(1 + uR) \partial_R$$

\mathbf{K} has the same expression in terms of (u, R) coordinates as the conformal Killing vector $u^2 \partial_u + v^2 \partial_v$ of Minkowski spacetime introduced by C. Morawetz (1962) to establish decay properties of solutions to the wave equation in flat space.

One can show that \mathbf{K} is future-directed timelike in a neighborhood of i^0 . Moreover, it is transverse to \mathcal{I}^+ .

For Minkowski, \mathbf{K} is a Killing vector of $\hat{g} = R^2 \hat{g}$. Not here, except at \mathcal{I}^+ and i^0 .

The Morawetz-based field energy through a hypersurface

Consider the energy-momentum tensor of the free wave equation $\square_{\hat{g}}\hat{\phi} = 0$, namely

$$T_{ab}(\hat{\phi}) = \hat{\nabla}_a \hat{\phi} \hat{\nabla}_b \hat{\phi} - \frac{1}{2} \hat{\nabla}_c \hat{\phi} \hat{\nabla}^c \hat{\phi} \hat{g}_{ab}$$

and define the current

$$J_a(\hat{\phi}) := T_{ab}(\hat{\phi}) K^b$$

$J(\hat{\phi})$ is not conserved since $\hat{\nabla}^a J_a(\hat{\phi}) = T_{ab} \hat{\nabla}^a K^b - \frac{\hat{\mathcal{R}}}{6} \hat{\phi} K^a \hat{\nabla}_a \phi$

but one can control the r.h.s. in a neighborhood of i^0 .

Given an oriented hypersurface \mathcal{S} of $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$, define the “energy” $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{S}}(\hat{\phi}) := \int_{\mathcal{S}} \star J(\hat{\phi})$

The peeling property at \mathcal{I}^+

[Borthwick, EG, Nicolas, J. Hyper. Diff. Eq. 22, 29 (2025)]

Let $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\hat{\phi}$ a solution to the conformal wave equation (2). Then $\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{I}_{u_0}^+}(\partial_R^q \nabla_{\mathbb{S}^2}^p \hat{\phi}) + \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_{u_0}}(\partial_R^q \nabla_{\mathbb{S}^2}^p \hat{\phi}) < +\infty$ for all $p, q \in \mathbb{N}$, $p + q \leq k$ if and only if the initial data $(\hat{\phi}, \partial_t \hat{\phi}) = (\hat{\phi}_0, \hat{\phi}_1)$ on Σ_0 is chosen in the completion of $C_0^\infty([-u_0, +\infty[r_* \times \mathbb{S}^2) \times C_0^\infty([-u_0, +\infty[r_* \times \mathbb{S}^2)$ in the norm:

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\phi}_0 \\ \hat{\phi}_1 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_k^2 = \sum_{p+q \leq k} \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_0, u_0} \left(L^q \nabla_{\mathbb{S}^2}^p \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\phi}_0 \\ \hat{\phi}_1 \end{pmatrix} \right),$$

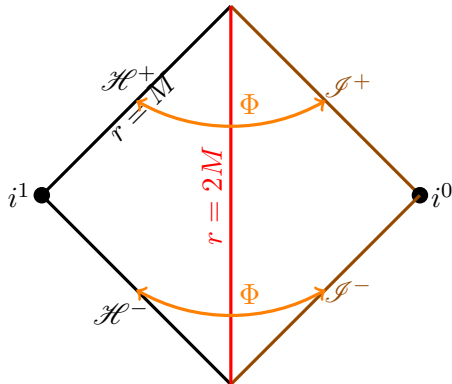
where L is the operator defined by $L = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{r^2}{F(r)} \partial_{r_*} & -\frac{r^2}{F(r)} \\ -\frac{r^2}{F(r)} \partial_{r_*}^2 - \Delta_{\mathbb{S}^2} - \frac{2M}{r} \left(1 - \frac{M}{r}\right) & -\frac{r^2}{F(r)} \partial_{r_*} \end{pmatrix}$

In this case we say that $\hat{\phi}$ **peels at order k at infinity**.

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The Couch-Torrence inversion as an isometry of \hat{g}



The Couch-Torrence inversion

$$\Phi : \quad \widehat{\text{Ext}} \quad \rightarrow \quad \widehat{\text{Ext}}$$

$$(t, R, \theta, \varphi) \mapsto \left(t, \frac{1}{M} - R, \theta, \varphi\right)$$

is an **isometry** of the ERN conformal metric $\hat{g} = R^2 g$:

$$\Phi^* \hat{g} = \hat{g},$$

which obeys

$$\Phi(\mathcal{H}^+) = \mathcal{I}^+$$

[Borthwick, EG, Nicolas, J. Hyper. Diff. Eq. **22**, 29 (2025)]

\implies allows one to establish a peeling property at the ERN horizon, from that already obtained at \mathcal{I}^+

Towards the peeling at \mathcal{H}^+ : a neighborhood of i^1

Consider ingoing EF coordinates (v, R, θ, φ) on $\widehat{\text{Ext}}$

The Couch-Torrence inversion maps i^0 to the internal infinity i^1

i^1 is the limit $v \rightarrow -\infty$ along \mathcal{H}^+

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$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\phi}_0 \\ \hat{\phi}_1 \end{pmatrix} \right\|_k^2 = \sum_{p+q \leq k} \mathcal{E}_{\Sigma_0, v_0} \left(\tilde{L}^q \nabla_{\mathbb{S}^2}^p \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\phi}_0 \\ \hat{\phi}_1 \end{pmatrix} \right),$$

where \tilde{L} is the operator defined by $\tilde{L} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{r^2}{F(r)} \partial_{r_*} & \frac{r^2}{F(r)} \\ \frac{r^2}{F(r)} \partial_{r_*}^2 + \Delta_{\mathbb{S}^2} + \frac{2M}{r} \left(1 - \frac{M}{r}\right) & -\frac{r^2}{F(r)} \partial_{r_*} \end{pmatrix}$

In this case we say that $\hat{\phi}$ peels at order k at the event horizon \mathcal{H}^+ .

Perspectives

- Extend peeling at horizon to extreme Kerr black hole, but no Couch-Torrence (conformal) isometry in that case!
NB: Peeling at \mathcal{I}^+ of Kerr has been obtained in [Nicolas & Xuan Pham, Ann. H. Poincaré **20**, 3419 (2019)]