

# On the use of evolutionary methods in metric theories of gravity VIII.

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some of the arguments and techniques developed originally and applied so far exclusively only in the Lorentzian case do also apply to Riemannian spaces

## 5 The construction of binary initial data

- parabolic-hyperbolic system
- superposed Kerr-Schild
- initial-boundary value problem
  - ... no use of ad hoc boundary conditions in the strong field regime
  - ... there is an unprecedented full control of the ADM charges

# Outline:

# Motivations:

## GW observations:

- inspiral and merger of binary black holes is of distinguished importance for the emerging field of gravitational wave astronomy
- non-linearities necessitate the use of accurate numerical approaches in determining the emitted waveforms
- precision of these simulations—in particular, their initializations—is of critical importance in enhancing the detection of gravitational wave signals

## A new construction:

- I. Rácz: *Constraints as evolutionary systems*, Class. Quantum Grav. **33** 015014 (2016)
- I. Rácz: *A simple method of constructing binary black hole initial data*, Astronomy Reports **62** 953-958 (2018)
- I. Rácz: *On the ADM charges of multiple black holes*, arXiv:1608.02283

# Initialization:

## The constraints:

- vacuum initial data:  $(h_{ij}, K_{ij})$  on a 3-dimensional manifold  $\Sigma$ 
  - evolution equations  $\mathcal{L}_n h_{ij} = \dots$  &  $\mathcal{L}_n K_{ij} = \dots$  (in analogy  $\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{v}$  &  $\dot{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{f}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} {}^{(3)}R + (K^e_e)^2 - K_{ef}K^{ef} &= 0 \\ D_e K^e_a - D_a K^e_e &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

where  $D_a$  denotes the covariant derivative operator associated with  $h_{ab}$

- it is an underdetermined system: 4 equations for 12 variables

# The conformal (elliptic) method:

Lichnerowicz A (1944) and York J W (1972):

- replace

$$h_{ij} = \phi^4 \tilde{h}_{ij} \quad \text{and} \quad K_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} h_{ij} K^l_l = \phi^{-2} \tilde{K}_{ij}$$

using these variables the constraints are put into the **semilinear elliptic system**

$$\tilde{D}^l \tilde{D}_l \phi - \frac{1}{8} \tilde{R} \phi + \frac{1}{8} \tilde{K}_{ij} \tilde{K}^{ij} \phi^{-7} - \frac{1}{12} (K^l_l)^2 \phi^5 = 0$$

where  $\tilde{D}_l, \tilde{R}, \dots, \tilde{h}_{ij}$

$$\tilde{K}_{ij} = \tilde{K}_{ij}^{[L]} + \tilde{K}_{ij}^{[TT]}, \quad \text{where} \quad \tilde{K}_{ij}^{[L]} = \tilde{D}_i X_j + \tilde{D}_j X_i - \frac{2}{3} \tilde{h}_{ij} \tilde{D}^l X_l$$

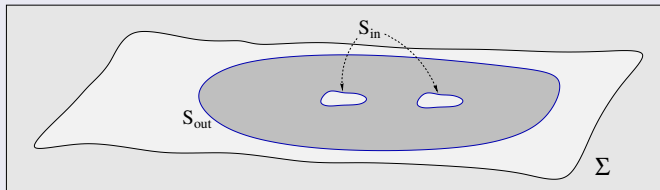
$$\tilde{D}^l \tilde{D}_l X_i + \frac{1}{3} \tilde{D}_i (\tilde{D}^l X_l) + \tilde{R}_i^l X_l - \frac{2}{3} \phi^6 \tilde{D}_i (K^l_l) = 0$$

$$(h_{ij}, K_{ij}) \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \left( \phi, \tilde{h}_{ij}; K^l_l, X_i, \tilde{K}_{ij}^{[TT]} \right)$$

# The conformal method:

Impressive mathematical developments since 1944 but ...

- either “constancy” of  $K^l_l$  or “smallness” of the TT part of  $\tilde{K}_{ij}$  is required
- it is highly implicit due to its elliptic character and the replacements  $h_{ij} = \phi^4 \tilde{h}_{ij}$  and  $K_{ij} = \frac{1}{3} \phi^4 \tilde{h}_{ij} K^l_l + \phi^{-2} \tilde{K}_{ij} \implies$ 
  - no direct control on the physical parameters of the initial data specifications
- **boundary conditions:**
  - are known to influence solutions everywhere in their domains
  - the inner boundary conditions—they are applied with **excision** in the black hole interior—cannot simply be supported by intuition (**trumpet data ...**)
  - Bowen-York type initial data:  $\tilde{h}_{ij}$  is flat  $\tilde{h}_{ij} = \delta_{ij}$  and  $K^l_l = 0$  ~~Kerr BH~~ non-negligible spurious gravitational wave content of yielded time evolutions



# New variables by applying $2 + 1$ decompositions:

## Splitting of the metric $h_{ij}$ :

assume:

$$\Sigma \approx \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{S}$$

$\Sigma$  is smoothly foliated by a one-parameter family of two-surfaces  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$ :  
 $\rho = \text{const}$  level surfaces of a smooth real function  $\rho : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $\partial_i \rho \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{n}_i = \hat{N} \partial_i \rho \dots \& \dots h^{ij} \longrightarrow \hat{n}^i = h^{ij} \hat{n}_j \longrightarrow \hat{\gamma}^i_j = \delta^i_j - \hat{n}^i \hat{n}_j$$

- choose  $\rho^i$  to be a vector field on  $\Sigma$ : the integral curves... &  $\rho^i \partial_i \rho = 1$
- 'lapse' and 'shift' of  $\rho^i$

$$\rho^i = \hat{N} \hat{n}^i + \hat{N}^i, \quad \text{where } \hat{N} = \rho^j \hat{n}_j \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{N}^i = \hat{\gamma}^i_j \rho^j$$

- induced metric, extrinsic curvature and acceleration of the  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  level surfaces:

$$\hat{\gamma}_{ij} = \hat{\gamma}^k_i \hat{\gamma}^l_j h_{kl}$$

$$\hat{K}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\hat{n}} \hat{\gamma}_{ij}$$

$$\hat{n}_i := \hat{n}^e \nabla_e \hat{n}_i = -\hat{D}_i \ln \hat{N}$$

- the metric  $h_{ij}$  can then be given as

$$h_{ij} = \hat{\gamma}_{ij} + \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j$$



$$\{\hat{N}, \hat{N}^i, \hat{\gamma}_{ij}\}$$



## 2 + 1 decompositions:

### Splitting of the symmetric tensor field $K_{ij}$ :

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$$K_{ij} = \kappa \hat{n}_i \hat{n}_j + [\hat{n}_i \mathbf{k}_j + \hat{n}_j \mathbf{k}_i] + \mathbf{K}_{ij}$$

where

$$\kappa = \hat{n}^k \hat{n}^l K_{kl}, \quad \mathbf{k}_i = \hat{\gamma}^k{}_i \hat{n}^l K_{kl} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{K}_{ij} = \hat{\gamma}^k{}_i \hat{\gamma}^l{}_j K_{kl}$$

- the **trace** and **trace free** parts of  $\mathbf{K}_{ij}$

$$\mathbf{K}^l{}_l = \hat{\gamma}^{kl} \mathbf{K}_{kl} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathring{\mathbf{K}}_{ij} = \mathbf{K}_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \hat{\gamma}_{ij} \mathbf{K}^l{}_l$$

### The new variables:

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$$(h_{ij}, K_{ij}) \iff (\hat{N}, \hat{N}^i, \hat{\gamma}_{ij}; \kappa, \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{K}^l{}_l, \mathring{\mathbf{K}}_{ij})$$

- these variables retain the physically distinguished nature of  $h_{ij}$  and  $K_{ij}$

# The parabolic-hyperbolic form of the constraints:

An evolutionary system for the constrained fields  $\widehat{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{k}_i$  and  $\mathbf{K}^l_l$ :

$$\dot{K}^* [(\partial_\rho \widehat{N}) - \widehat{N}^l (\widehat{D}_l \widehat{N})] - \widehat{N}^2 (\widehat{D}^l \widehat{D}_l \widehat{N}) - \mathcal{A} \widehat{N} - \mathcal{B} \widehat{N}^3 = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\widehat{n}} \mathbf{k}_i - \frac{1}{2} \widehat{D}_i (\mathbf{K}^l_l) - \widehat{D}_i \boldsymbol{\kappa} + \widehat{D}^l \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{li} + \widehat{N} \dot{K}^* \mathbf{k}_i + [\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{K}^l_l)] \dot{\widehat{n}}_i - \dot{\widehat{n}}^l \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{li} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\widehat{n}} (\mathbf{K}^l_l) - \widehat{D}^l \mathbf{k}_l - \widehat{N} \dot{K}^* [\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{K}^l_l)] + \widehat{N} \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{kl} \dot{K}^{*kl} + 2 \dot{\widehat{n}}^l \mathbf{k}_l = 0,$$

where  $\widehat{D}_i$  denotes the covariant derivative operator associated with  $\widehat{\gamma}_{ij}$

$$\dot{K}^* = \frac{1}{2} \widehat{\gamma}^{ij} \mathcal{L}_\rho \widehat{\gamma}_{ij} - \widehat{D}_j \widehat{N}^j$$

$$\dot{K}^*_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_\rho \widehat{\gamma}_{ij} - \widehat{D}_{(i} \widehat{N}_{j)}, \quad \dot{\widehat{n}}_k = \widehat{n}^l D_l \widehat{n}_k = -\widehat{D}_k (\ln \widehat{N})$$

$$\mathcal{A} = (\partial_\rho \dot{K}^*) - \widehat{N}^l (\widehat{D}_l \dot{K}^*) + \frac{1}{2} [\dot{K}^{*2} + \dot{K}^*_{kl} \dot{K}^{*kl}]$$

$$\mathcal{B} = -\frac{1}{2} [\widehat{R} + 2 \boldsymbol{\kappa} (\mathbf{K}^l_l) + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{K}^l_l)^2 - 2 \mathbf{k}^l \mathbf{k}_l - \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{kl} \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}^{kl}]$$

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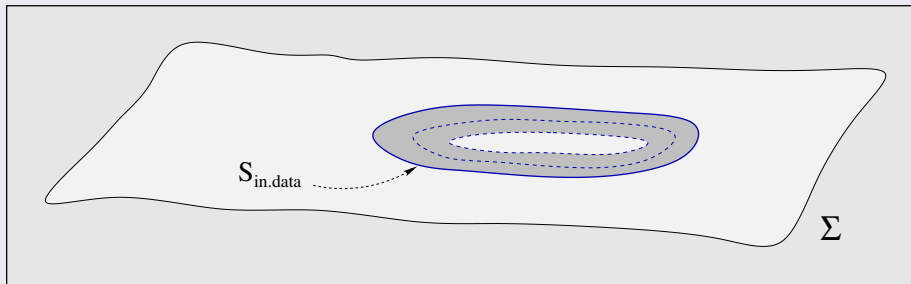
- no restriction applies to  $\widehat{N}^i, \widehat{\gamma}_{ij}, \kappa$  and  $\overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{ij} \implies$  they are freely specifiable throughout  $\Sigma$
- the parabolic equation is uniformly parabolic in those subregions of  $\Sigma$ , where  $\overset{\star}{K}$  is either positive or negative
- $\overset{\star}{K}$  depends exclusively on the freely specifiable fields  $\widehat{\gamma}_{ij}$  and  $\widehat{N}^i \implies$  its sign can be tailored according to the desire of the investigated problem
- the combined evolutionary system is (locally) well-posed
  - if suitable initial values for the constrained fields  $\widehat{N}, \mathbf{k}_i$  and  $\mathbf{K}^l_l$  are given, on some level surface  $\mathcal{S}_0$  in  $\Sigma$ , then, in the domain of dependence of  $\mathcal{S}_0$ , unique solution exists to the evolutionary system
  - the fields  $h_{ij}$  and  $K_{ij}$  that can be reconstructed from the freely specifiable and constrained variables do satisfy the Hamiltonian and momentum constraints

## Solving the constraints:

- $(h_{ij}, K_{ij})$  represented by the variables  $(\widehat{N}, \widehat{N}^i, \widehat{\gamma}_{ij}; \kappa, \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{K}^l_l, \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{ij})$
- the constraints comprise a **parabolic-hyperbolic** system for  $(\widehat{N}, \mathbf{k}_i, \mathbf{K}^l_l)$ 
  - with freely specifiable variables on  $\Sigma$  and on  $S_{\text{in.data}}$ :

$$(\widehat{N}|_{S_{\text{in.data}}}, \widehat{N}^i, \widehat{\gamma}_{ij}; \kappa, \mathbf{k}_i|_{S_{\text{in.data}}}, \mathbf{K}^l_l|_{S_{\text{in.data}}}, \overset{\circ}{\mathbf{K}}_{ij})$$

- a fixed (+/-) sign of  $\overset{\star}{K} = \frac{1}{2} \widehat{\gamma}^{ij} \mathcal{L}_\rho \widehat{\gamma}_{ij} - \widehat{D}_j \widehat{N}^j$  can be guaranteed



# The Kerr black hole:

In Kerr-Schild form:

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \eta_{\alpha\beta} + 2H\ell_{\alpha}\ell_{\beta}$$

- inertial coordinates  $(t, x, y, z)$  adapted to the Minkowski background  $\eta_{\alpha\beta}$

$$H = \frac{r^3 M}{r^4 + a^2 z^2}$$

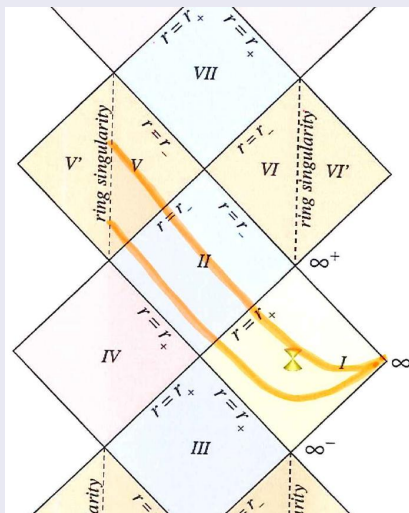
$$\ell_{\alpha} = \left( 1, \frac{rx+ay}{r^2+a^2}, \frac{ry-ax}{r^2+a^2}, \frac{z}{r} \right)$$

- the Boyer-Lindquist radial coordinate  $r$  is related to the spatial part of the inertial coordinates as

$$r^4 - (x^2 + y^2 + z^2 - a^2)r^2 - a^2 z^2 = 0$$

$$\frac{x^2 + y^2}{r^2 + a^2} + \frac{z^2}{r^2} = 1$$

- the  $r = \text{const}$  surfaces are “ellipsoids”
  - degenerate to a disk  $x^2 + y^2 \leq a^2$  &  $z = 0$  possessing the “ring singularity” (given as  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$  &  $z = 0$ ) at its edge

$t = \text{const}$  slices in Kerr spacetime:the  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  section

$$\Sigma \approx \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{\text{"ring singularity"}\}$$

# Generic Kerr-Schild black holes:

- the Kerr-Schild metrics are form-invariant under Lorentz transformations
  - if a Lorentz transformation  $x'^{\alpha} = \Lambda^{\alpha}_{\beta} x^{\beta}$  is performed
  - the metric retains its distinguished Kerr-Schild form

$$g'_{\alpha\beta} = \eta_{\alpha\beta} + 2H' \ell'_{\alpha} \ell'_{\beta}$$

- where  $H' = H'(x'^{\alpha})$  and  $\ell'_{\beta} = \ell'_{\beta}(x'^{\varepsilon})$  are given as

$$H' = H([\Lambda^{\alpha}_{\beta}]^{-1} x'^{\beta}), \quad \ell'_{\beta} = \Lambda^{\alpha}_{\beta} \ell_{\alpha}([\Lambda^{\varepsilon}_{\varphi}]^{-1} x'^{\varphi})$$

- boosts and spatial rotations are special Lorentz transformations  $\implies$  it is straightforward to construct models of moving and rotating black holes with preferably oriented speed and spin

# Superposed Kerr-Schild black holes:

A binary system will be approximated by:

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \eta_{\alpha\beta} + 2H^{[1]}l_{\alpha}^{[1]}l_{\beta}^{[1]} + 2H^{[2]}l_{\alpha}^{[2]}l_{\beta}^{[2]} \quad (*)$$

- $H^{[n]}$  and  $l_{\alpha}^{[n]}$  correspond to the Kerr-Schild data for individual black holes
- (\*) does not satisfy Einstein's equations
- good approximation close to the individual black holes
- Einstein tensor falls off at the rate  $\mathcal{O}(|\vec{x}|^{-4})$ , where  $|\vec{x}| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$

Choice for the free data:

- $\hat{N}^i, \hat{\gamma}_{ij}, \kappa$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{K}}_{ij}$  as if (\*) solved the Einstein equations
- $\hat{N}, \mathbf{K}^l_l$  and  $\mathbf{k}_i$  on some level surface  $\mathcal{S}_0$  in  $\Sigma$  deduced from (\*) [only on  $\mathcal{S}_0$  !]
- **initial data surface:** the complemer of the two "ring" singularities in  $t_{Mink} = 0$  hypersurface:  $\Sigma \approx \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{ring_1 \text{ and } ring_2\}$

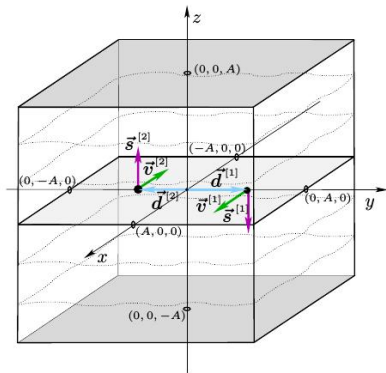


# The initial-boundary value problem:

the  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  surfaces have tacitly been assumed to be compact without boundary:

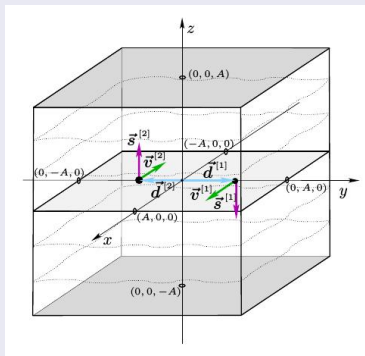
- in numerical approaches  $\Sigma$  is chosen to be a large but bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- the product structure  $\Sigma \approx \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{S}$  can be guaranteed by choosing the  $\mathcal{S}_\rho$  leaves to be diffeomorphic to a closed disk in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

choose  $\Sigma$  to be a cube centered at the origin in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :



- for large enough value of  $A$  ...
- boundary of  $\Sigma$ :  
six squares each with edges of size  $2A$
- the black holes are assumed to be located on the  $z = 0$  plane
- speeds are parallel, spins are orthogonal to the  $z = 0$  plane
- foliation by  $z = \text{const}$  level surfaces
- deduce  $\hat{K}^*$  from (\*)

# The critical coefficient $\hat{K}^*$ :



- the sign of  $\hat{K}^*$  decides whether the parabolic-hyperbolic system evolves in the positive or negative  $\rho$ -direction

$$\hat{K}^* [(\partial_\rho \hat{N}) - \hat{N}^l (\hat{D}_l \hat{N})] = \hat{N}^2 (\hat{D}^l \hat{D}_l \hat{N}) + \mathcal{A} \hat{N} + \mathcal{B} \hat{N}^3$$

- it propagates aligned  $\rho^i$  for positive  $\hat{K}^*$ , while anti-aligned for negative  $\hat{K}^*$
- restrict considerations to a binary BH system arranged as indicated on the figure

# Splitting the boundary:

The principal coefficient  $\hat{K}$ :

- $\hat{K}$  can be given as the product of a strictly negative function and the  $z$ -coordinate
- $\hat{K}$  is positive below the  $z = 0$  plane, while it is negative above that plane

$\hat{K} = \text{const}$  level surfaces:

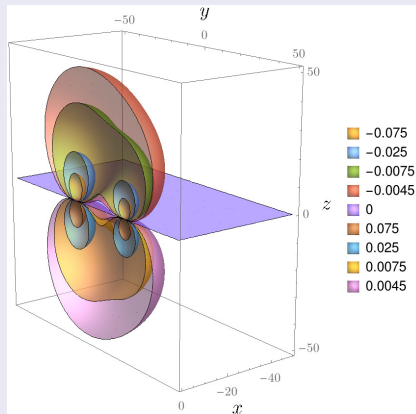
$$x < 0, 2A = 100$$

$$M[1] = 1, \vec{d}[1] = 20 \vec{e}_y$$

$$\vec{v}[1] = 0.5 \vec{e}_x, a[1] = 0.6$$

$$M[2] = 2, \vec{d}[2] = -10 \vec{e}_y$$

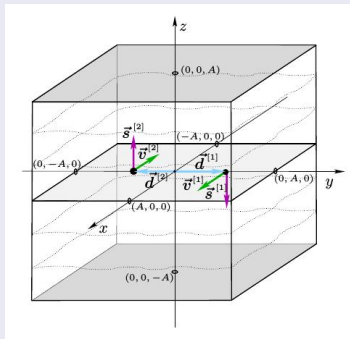
$$\vec{v}[2] = -0.25 \vec{e}_x, a[2] = -0.8$$



# Solving the initial-boundary value problem:

## The parabolic-hyperbolic system:

- $\hat{K}^*$  can be given as  $\hat{K}^* = -z \cdot \hat{K}^\dagger$
- $\hat{K}^*$  is positive below the  $z = 0$  plane, while it is negative above that plane
- solved by propagating, along the  $z$ -streamlines, initial values specified on the horizontal  $z = \pm A$  squares
- boundary values are to be given on the four vertical sides of the cube



- $\hat{N}$ ,  $\mathbf{K}^l$  and  $\mathbf{k}_i$  are developed on  $\Sigma^+$  and  $\Sigma^-$  separately
  - global existence and matching of these solutions at their common Cauchy horizon—at the  $z = 0$  plane—is of fundamental importance
- the auxiliary metric (\*) possesses a  $z \rightarrow -z$  reflection symmetry
- assume the existence of unique (at least)  $C^2$  solutions (apart from singularities): proper matching at the “common Cauchy horizon” follows

# The ADM quantities as flux integrals:

- in the applied admissible coordinates the ADM mass, center of mass, linear and angular momenta are determined by the flux integrals

$$M^{ADM} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \oint_{\infty} [\partial_i h_{ij} - \partial_j h_{ii}] n^j dS$$

$$M^{ADM} d_i = \frac{1}{16\pi} \oint_{\infty} \left\{ x_i [\partial_k h_{kj} - \partial_j h_{kk}] - [h_{kj} \delta^k_i - h_{kk} \delta_{ij}] \right\} n^j dS$$

$$P_i^{ADM} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \oint_{\infty} [K_{ij} - h_{kj} K^l_l] n^j dS$$

$$J_i^{ADM} = \frac{1}{8\pi} \oint_{\infty} [K_{kj} - h_{kj} K^l_l] Y_i^k n^j dS$$

- the symbol  $\oint_{\infty}$  is meant to denote limits of integrals over spheres while their radii tend to infinity
- $n^i$  and  $dS$  denote the outward normal and the volume element of the individual spheres in the sequences
- the symbol  $Y_i^k = \epsilon_i^{jk} x_j$  denote the components of the three rotational Killing vector fields, defined with respect to the applied admissible asymptotically Euclidean coordinates

# Input parameters and global ADM charges:

- **Input parameters:** the rest masses  $M^{[n]}$ , displacements  $\vec{d}^{[n]}$ , speeds  $\vec{v}^{[n]}$  and spins  $a^{[n]}\vec{s}_o^{[n]}$  of the involved black holes
  - essentially the same as used in post-Newtonian description of binaries !!!
- **Global ADM charges:** in terms of the input parameters
  - though (\*) does not satisfy Einstein's equations it is asymptotically flat
  - constructed by adding contributions of individual black hole metrics to a Minkowski background
  - the ADM quantities are linear in deviation from flat Euclidean space at infinity

$$\begin{aligned}
 M^{ADM} &= \gamma^{[1]} M^{[1]} + \gamma^{[2]} M^{[2]} \\
 M^{ADM} \vec{d}^{ADM} &= \gamma^{[1]} M^{[1]} \vec{d}^{[1]} + \gamma^{[2]} M^{[2]} \vec{d}^{[2]} \\
 \vec{P}^{ADM} &= \gamma^{[1]} M^{[1]} \vec{v}^{[1]} + \gamma^{[2]} M^{[2]} \vec{v}^{[2]} \\
 \vec{J}^{ADM} &= \gamma^{[1]} \left\{ M^{[1]} \vec{d}^{[1]} \times \vec{v}^{[1]} + M^{[1]} a^{[1]} \vec{s}_o^{[1]} \right\} \\
 &\quad + \gamma^{[2]} \left\{ M^{[2]} \vec{d}^{[2]} \times \vec{v}^{[2]} + M^{[2]} a^{[2]} \vec{s}_o^{[2]} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

# Summary:

- 1 a new method to initialize time evolution of binary black hole systems by applying
  - a parabolic-hyperbolic formulation of constraint equations
  - superposing Kerr-Schild black holes
- 2 the parabolic-hyperbolic equations solved as an initial-boundary value problem
- 3 existence of unique (at least)  $C^2$  solutions is guaranteed (apart from singularities)
- 4 construct initial data by integrating numerically the parabolic-hyperbolic form of the constraints: **!!!** paper is coming out soon
- 5 the input parameters—the rest masses, speeds, spins and displacements—are essentially the same as used in PN **!!!**
- 6 each of the ADM charges can be given in terms of the input parameters
- 7 no use of boundary conditions in the strong field regime (tidal deformations)

**That is all for now...**