Darboux Transformations in (the Interior of) Nonrotating Black Holes

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- Black hole spacetimes are a challenge for classical, semiclassical, and quantum gravity.
- **<u>PERTURBATIONS</u>** of black holes are crucial to analyze their stability.
- They also have applications in astrophysics. For instance, they describe some regimes in the evolution of a black hole merger.
- This connects with the emission of gravitational waves, a reason explaining the increasing attention paid to this topic.
- The ringdown of perturbed black hole is dominated by quasinormal modes.





- Identification of points of the original and the perturbed manifold introduce some gauge freedom.
- Only perturbative quantities invariant under this freedom are physical.
- These are the <u>PERTURBATIVE</u>
 <u>GAUGE INVARIANTS</u>.
- At first order, they are linear in the perturbations and can be multiplied by any background-dependent factor.



 They satisfy second-order differential equations, defined in the set of orbits of spherical symmetry. Quasinormal modes solve these equations with outgoing boundary conditions.



- Most of the perturbative studies have been carried out in the Lagrangian formalism.
- A <u>HAMILTONIAN</u> formulation for nonrotating black holes -as well as a higher-order perturbative formalism- was developed by J.M. Martín-García & D. Brizuela (and G.A.M.M.) in the 90s.
- This formulation employs spherical symmetry as a key ingredient. It splits the 4-dimensional manifold into two 2-dimensional ones.
- Perturbative gauge invariants are easily characterized by commuting with the generators of perturbative spacetime diffeomorphisms.
- The Hamiltonian formulation is especially suitable for the transition to the quantum theory.
- However, the radial dependence highly complicates the analysis.



- There exist an intriguing relation between different perturbative gauge invariants, given by **DARBOUX TRANSFORMATIONS**.
- Suppose that φ satisfies a wave equation in two dimensions for a potential v_l , which depends on the angular-momentum number l.
- Consider the transformation to $\Psi = \dot{\varphi} g_l \varphi$, where the acute stands for the derivative wrt. a tortoise "radial" coordinate, and g_l satisfies the Ricatti equation $-\dot{g}_l + g_l^2 + v_l = c$, with *c* a constant.
- Then Ψ is a solution to the equation for the new potential $V_l = v_l + 2 g'_l$.
- Given a solution $\ddot{\phi}_0 v_l \phi_0 = -\omega_0^2 \phi_0$, define $g_l = (\ln(\phi_0))'$, with $c = \omega_0^2$.

Then, the old and new potentials admit **isoespectral** solutions (with the same "frequency"), related by $\Psi = [\phi \phi_0 - \phi \phi_0]/\phi_0$.



- Darboux transformations suggest a higher symmetry. They have been related to a KdV system with a bi-Hamiltonian structure.
- The complications with the radial dependence disappear in the interior region of the black hole, where it becomes a time dependence.
- This interior is isometric to a Kantowski-Sachs cosmology.



- Can the Hamiltonian formulation of the perturbations be further developed in this interior? Yes (A. Mínguez-Sánchez & G.A.M.M.).
- Can we use it to understand Darboux transformations?
- And quantum mechanically?.





• The metric in the interior region can be written in the form

$$ds^{2} = p_{b}^{2}(\tau) \left(-\underline{N}^{2}(\tau) \left| p_{c}(\tau) \right| d\tau^{2} + \frac{1}{\left| p_{c}(\tau) \right|} dx^{2} \right) + \left| p_{c}(\tau) \left| \left(d\theta^{2} + \sin^{2}\theta d\phi^{2} \right) \right|.$$

The chosen metric functions are in fact triad variables.

- The geometry has **two canonical pairs** of degrees of freedom, with extrinsic-curvature variables such that $\{b, p_b\}=1, \{c, p_c\}=2$.
- This KS background is subject ONLY to the Hamiltonian constraint

$$\underline{N}H_{KS} = -\frac{\underline{N}}{2} \left(\Omega_b^2 + 2 \Omega_b \Omega_c + p_b^2 \right), \qquad \Omega_j = j p_j, \quad j = b, c.$$

The Omega-operators are generators of dilations.



- We consider compact sections with the topology of $S^1 \times S^2$. Then, zero-modes are isolated and can be treated exactly.
- We expand our perturbations in REAL spherical harmonics and Fourier modes.
- Spherical harmonics split in polar and axial depending on their behavior under parity.
- A polar harmonic of eigenvalue -l(l+1) for the Laplacian on S^2 has parity eigenvalue equal to $(-1)^l$. Scalar harmonics Y_l^m are polar.
- We use a real Regge-Wheeler-Zerilli basis of harmonics.
- Using capital Latin letters for S^2 -indices, we decompose any symmetric tensor as $T_{ab} dx^a dx^b = T_{xx} dx^2 + 2T_{x4} dx dx^A + T_{4B} dx^A dx^B.$

Perturbations

- For scalars on S^2 , we have $\zeta(\theta, \phi) = \sum \zeta_l^m Y_l^m$.
- For covectors, $w_A(\theta, \phi) = \sum \left(W_l^m Z_{lA}^m + w_l^m X_{lA}^m \right)$,

where we include polar and axial contributions.

Using the metric γ_{AB} on S^2 and its covariant derivative, we have

$$Z_{lA}^{m} = Y_{l:A}^{m}, \quad X_{lA}^{m} = \epsilon_{AB} \gamma^{BC} Y_{l:C}^{m}, \quad l \ge 1.$$

which are orthonormalized to l(l+1).

• Finally, for tensors

$$T_{AB}(\theta, \phi) = \sum \tilde{T}_{l}^{m} \gamma_{AB} Y_{l}^{m} + \sum \left(T_{l}^{m} Z_{lAB}^{m} + t_{l}^{m} X_{lAB}^{m} \right),$$

with $X_{lAB}^{m} = \frac{1}{2} \left(X_{lA:B}^{m} + X_{lB:A}^{m} \right), \quad Z_{lAB}^{m} = Y_{l:AB}^{m} + \frac{l(l+1)}{2} \gamma_{AB} Y_{l}^{m}, \quad l \ge 2.$

These tensor harmonics are orthonormalized to l(l+1)(l+2)/2.



• We choose real spherical harmonics,

$$Y_{l}^{m} \rightarrow \left\{Y_{l}^{m}, \ m=0; \ \frac{(-1)^{m}}{\sqrt{2}} \left(Y_{l}^{m}+Y_{l}^{m*}\right), \ m>0; \ \frac{(-1)^{m}}{i\sqrt{2}} \left(Y_{l}^{|m|}-Y_{l}^{|m|*}\right), \ m<0\right\}.$$

• Similarly, for the Fourier expansion on S^1 , we employ real modes,

$$W_{n,\lambda} \rightarrow \Big\{ W_0 = 1; \ W_{n,+} = \sqrt{2} \cos \omega_n x, \ W_{n,-} = \sqrt{2} \sin \omega_n x, \ \omega_n = 2\pi n, \ n \ge 1 \Big\}.$$

- For simplicity, we will restrict ourselves to AXIAL perturbations with $l \ge 2$. The study of polar perturbations can be carried out along similar lines.
- There are no scalar axial perturbations. And we will see that axial vector pertubations are pure gauge in our system.
- We might include a perturbative **scalar field** in the analysis (with no zero mode). But it would only contribute with polar perturbations.



Calling {v}={n, λ, l, m}, we can expand the axial pertubations of the spatial metric, its momentum, and the shift vector as

$$\begin{split} \Delta h_{ab} dx^a dx^b &= -2 \sum h_1^{\mathsf{v}}(t) X_{l\ A}^m(\theta, \phi) W_{n,\lambda}(x) dx dx^A + \sum h_2^{\mathsf{v}}(t) X_{l\ AB}^m(\theta, \phi) W_{n,\lambda}(x) dx^A dx^B, \\ \Delta & \left[\frac{p_{ab}}{\sqrt{h}} dx^a dx^b \right] = -\frac{4\pi p_b^2}{V} \sum \frac{p_1^{\mathsf{v}}(t)}{l(l+1)} X_{l\ A}^m(\theta, \phi) W_{n,\lambda}(x) dx dx^A \\ & \quad + \frac{8\pi p_c^2}{V} \sum \frac{p_2^{\mathsf{v}}(t)}{l(l+1)(l+2)} X_{l\ AB}^m(\theta, \phi) W_{n,\lambda}(x) dx^A dx^B, \\ N_a dx^a &= -16\pi \sum h_0^{\mathsf{v}}(t) X_{l\ A}^m(\theta, \phi) W_{n,\lambda}(x) dx^A. \end{split}$$

 At second order, the contribution of the perturbations to the action has the form

$$\frac{1}{16\pi}\int d\tau \sum \left(\dot{h}_1^{\nu}p_1^{\nu}+\dot{h}_2^{\nu}p_2^{\nu}-h_0^{\nu}C_{\nu}^{ax}-\underline{N}\underline{H}_{\nu}^{ax}\right).$$

Perturbative diff. constraints

Hamiltonian constraint



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 Considering the background as fixed, we can perform a linear canonical transformation in the perturbations so that they are described by gauge invariant canonical pairs, and by the perturbative constraints and variables canonically conjugated to them,

$$\{h_1^{\nu}, p_1^{\nu}, h_2^{\nu}, p_2^{\nu}\} \rightarrow \left\{\tilde{Q}_1^{\nu}, \tilde{P}_1^{\nu}, \tilde{Q}_2^{\nu}, \tilde{P}_2^{\nu} = -\frac{1}{2}C_{\nu}^{ax}\right\},\$$

with generating function

$$F^{\nu} = h_{1}^{\nu} \tilde{Q}_{1}^{\nu} + h_{2}^{\nu} \tilde{P}_{2}^{\nu} - \frac{\lambda \omega_{n}}{2} h_{2}^{\nu} \tilde{Q}_{1}^{\nu} + \frac{(l+2)!}{4(l-2)! p_{c}^{2}} (\Omega_{b} + \Omega_{c}) (h_{2}^{\nu})^{2} - \frac{2l(l+1)}{p_{b}^{2}} \Omega_{b} \left(\frac{\omega_{n}^{2}}{4} (h_{2}^{\nu})^{2} + \lambda \omega_{n} h_{1}^{\nu} h_{2}^{\nu} \right).$$

• The perturbative term in the Hamiltonian changes by the background evolution of this generating function, given by its Poisson bracket with the background Hamiltonian.



• The perturbative contribution to the action can be written

$$\int d\tau \left\{ \left(\underline{N} - \underline{\tilde{N}}\right) H_{KS} + \frac{1}{16\pi} \sum \left(\dot{\tilde{Q}}_{1}^{\nu} \tilde{P}_{1}^{\nu} + \dot{\tilde{Q}}_{2}^{\nu} \tilde{P}_{2}^{\nu} \right) + \frac{1}{8\pi} \sum \tilde{h}_{0}^{\nu} \tilde{P}_{2}^{\nu} - \underline{\tilde{N}} \sum \underline{\tilde{H}}_{\nu}^{ax} \right\},\$$

where the new lapse includes quadratic perturbative terms and

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\underline{H}}_{v}^{ax} &= \frac{p_{b}^{2} \left(\tilde{Q}_{1}^{v}\right)^{2}}{2l(l+1)} + \frac{l(l+1)}{2 p_{b}^{2}} \Big[8 \Omega_{b}^{2} + 8 \Omega_{b} \Omega_{c} + 4 p_{b}^{2} + (l+2)(l-1) p_{b}^{2} \Big] (\tilde{P}_{1}^{v})^{2} \\ &+ \frac{(l-2)!}{2(l+2)!} \omega_{n}^{2} p_{c}^{2} \Big[\tilde{Q}_{1}^{v} + \frac{4l(l+1)}{p_{b}^{2}} \Omega_{b} \tilde{P}_{1}^{v} \Big]^{2} + 2 \Omega_{b} \tilde{Q}_{1}^{v} \tilde{P}_{1}^{v}. \end{split}$$

 We can now eliminate the cross-terms in the perturbative contribution to the Hamiltonian and introduce the so-called <u>Gerlach-Sengupta</u> gauge invariant, generalized to any background and evaluated in the interior.





• This gauge invariant and its momentum are given by

$$\begin{split} Q_{GS}^{\mathsf{v}} &= -\sqrt{\frac{(l-2)!}{(l+2)!}} \Big[\tilde{Q}_{1}^{\mathsf{v}} + \frac{4l(l+1)}{p_{b}^{2}} \Omega_{b} \tilde{P}_{1}^{\mathsf{v}} \Big], \\ P_{GS}^{\mathsf{v}} &= -\sqrt{\frac{(l+2)!}{(l-2)!}} \tilde{P}_{1}^{\mathsf{v}} + 2\Omega_{b} \sqrt{\frac{(l-2)!}{(l+2)!}} \Big[\tilde{Q}_{1}^{\mathsf{v}} + 4l(l+1) \frac{1}{p_{b}^{2}} \Omega_{b} \tilde{P}_{1}^{\mathsf{v}} \Big]. \end{split}$$

• After this canonical transformation, the perturbative term of the Hamiltonian adopts a simple form (easy to quantize!),

$$H_{\nu}^{ax, (GS)} = \frac{1}{2} (P_{GS}^{\nu})^{2} + \frac{\tilde{V}}{2} (Q_{GS}^{\nu})^{2}, \qquad \tilde{V} = \omega_{n}^{2} p_{c}^{2} + l(l+1) p_{b}^{2} - 4(\Omega_{b}^{2} + p_{b}^{2}).$$

 In the 2-dimensional set of spherical orbits, the generalized Gerlach-Sengupta master variable for any background is

$$Q_{GS}^{lm}(\tau, x) = \sum_{n,\lambda} Q_{GS}^{\nu}(\tau) W_{n,\lambda}(x).$$



• The Gerlach-Sengupta modes satisfy

$$\left[\left((N^{-1}\partial_{\tau})^{2}+\omega_{n}^{2}p_{c}^{2}\right)+\left(l(l+1)p_{b}^{2}-4\Omega_{b}^{2}-4p_{b}^{2}\right)\right]Q_{GS}^{v}=0.$$

In terms of the Laplacian of the 2-dimensional metric induced on the set of spherical orbits and using the Gerlach-Sengupta master variable, this equation can be rewritten as

$$\left[\Box_{2} + \frac{|p_{c}|}{p_{b}^{2}} \left(l(l+1)p_{b}^{2} - 4\Omega_{b}^{2} - 4p_{b}^{2}\right)\right] Q_{GS}^{lm}(\tau, x) = 0.$$

 Another useful gauge invariant is the Cunningham-Price-Moncrief invariant,

$$Q_{CPM}^{\nu} = 2\sqrt{|p_c|} \sqrt{\frac{(l-2)!}{(l+2)!}} Q_{GS}^{\nu},$$

or, in two dimensions, the corresponding master variable.



• In the Gerlach-Sengupta Hamiltonian, the contribution of ω_n^2 to the potential \tilde{V} is not constant, but appears multiplied by p_c^2 .

• We can render it constant by the **canonical** transformation

$$Q_{\nu} = \sqrt{|p_{c}|} Q_{GS}^{\nu}, \qquad P_{\nu} = \sqrt{|p_{c}|} P_{GS}^{\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\{|p_{c}|, H_{KS}\}}{|p_{c}|} Q_{GS}^{\nu},$$

where H_{KS} is the background Hamiltonian.

Master equation

• The new perturbative contribution to the Hamiltonian constraint is $H_{\nu}^{ax}[N] = \frac{N|p_{c}|}{2} \left[(P_{\nu})^{2} + \left[\omega_{n}^{2} - \frac{1}{p_{c}^{2}} \left[3 \left(\Omega_{b}^{2} + p_{b}^{2} \right) - l \left(l+1 \right) p_{b}^{2} \right] \right] (Q_{\nu})^{2} \right].$ • This leads to $\left[\Box_{2} - \left[\frac{l(l+1)}{|p_{c}|} - 3 \frac{\Omega_{b}^{2} + p_{b}^{2}}{p_{b}^{2} |p_{c}|} \right] \right] Q_{\nu} = 0.$

For Schwarzschild, this is the Regge-Wheeler master equation.



$$\left(\partial_{\bar{\tau}}^{2} + \omega_{n}^{2} - \frac{1}{p_{c}^{2}} \left[3 \left(\Omega_{b}^{2} + p_{b}^{2} \right) - l \left(l + 1 \right) p_{b}^{2} \right] \right) Q_{\nu} = 0.$$

• For the time $\overline{\tau}$, the perturbative Hamiltonian has the form

$$\bar{H}_{\nu}^{ax} = \frac{1}{2} P_{\nu}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} (\omega_{n}^{2} + v_{l}) Q_{\nu}^{2},$$

Darboux

and the gauge invariant satisfies $Q_v + (\omega_n^2 + v_I)Q_v = 0$, where $f = \partial_{\bar{\tau}} f$.

RECALL:

A **Darboux** transformation $Q_{v} = \dot{Q}_{v} + g_{I} \dot{Q}_{v}$ leads to the new equation $\bar{Q}_{v} + (\omega_{n}^{2} + V_{l})\bar{Q}_{v} = 0$, with $V_{l} = v_{l} + 2\dot{g}_{l}$, if $\dot{g}_{l} + g_{l}^{2} + v_{l} = c_{l}$.





- We want to show that Darboux transformations are just **canonical transformations** that respect the structure of the Hamiltonian!
- Consider a generic canonical transformation,

 $Q_{v} = A \bar{Q}_{v} + B \bar{P}_{v}, \qquad P_{v} = C \bar{Q}_{v} + D \bar{P}_{v},$ with AD - BC = 1. (canonical!)

- The coefficients of the transformation are background (and thus time-) dependent. We assume $B \neq 0$ so that the transformation is not just a simple redefinition of the gauge invariant.
- With this transformation, we get a new perturbative contribution to the Hamiltonian. We ask that the momentum-configuration term vanish and the coefficient of the squared momentum be one half, **as before the transformation**!

Canonical Darboux

• Canonical transformation:

 $Q_v = A \bar{Q}_v + B \bar{P}_v, \qquad P_v = C \bar{Q}_v + D \bar{P}_v,$ with $C = \frac{AD-1}{B}.$ (canonical!)

• Hamiltonian: $\bar{H}_{\nu}^{ax} = \frac{1}{2} \bar{P}_{\nu}^{2} + \frac{1}{2} (\omega_{n}^{2} + V_{l}) \bar{Q}_{\nu}^{2}.$

It is not difficult to see that this requires $A = D - \acute{B}$. (No cross term!)



$$\dot{g} + g^2 + (\omega_n^2 + v_l) = \frac{1}{B^2}$$
, with $g = \frac{D}{B}$. (Momentum coeff.)

• If we do not want that the new potential depends on ω_n , we must take $B^{-2} = \omega_n^2 + c_l$. Then, A = D.

The canonical transformation is totally **fixed**, given c_l and a solution to the Ricatti equation!



 Thus, Darboux transformations are <u>canonical transformations</u> (in the interior of the black hole) that respect the canonical form of the Hamiltonian for the perturbations. They are given by

$$Q_{v} = \frac{g_{l}}{\sqrt{\omega_{n}^{2} + c_{l}}} \bar{Q}_{v} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\omega_{n}^{2} + c_{l}}} \bar{P}_{v},$$

$$P_{v} = \left(\frac{g_{l}^{2}}{\sqrt{\omega_{n}^{2} + c_{l}}} - \sqrt{\omega_{n}^{2} + c_{l}}\right) \bar{Q}_{v} + \frac{g_{l}}{\sqrt{\omega_{n}^{2} + c_{l}}} \bar{P}_{v},$$
where $\dot{g}_{l} + g_{l}^{2} + v_{l} = c_{l}.$

• The new gauge invariant satisfies $\tilde{Q}_{v} + (\omega_{n}^{2} + v_{l} + 2 \acute{g}_{l}) \bar{Q}_{v} = 0.$





- We have identified standard (axial) gauge invariants/master variables. Their dynamics involve quasinormal modes, relevant during **ringdown**.
- Although derived from General Relativity, all relations are expressed in terms of the background, and can be extended to **effective** ones.
- The formalism allows for an almost direct hybrid **LQC quantization**!
- Darboux transformations become **canonical transformations**!
- We can now investigate whether isospectroscopy is realized as a true unitary transformation in quantum field theory (including all *l*'s).