

# Kerr-Schild Ansatz for Black Holes with Matter Source

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- 2 Role of symmetries in the KS derivation of the Kerr metric (vacuum) [E. Ayón-Beato, M. Hassaine and D. Higueta-Borja, Phys. Rev. D **94**, no.6, 064073 (2016).]
- 3 KS construction of static (regular) black holes with scalar field source [E. Babichev, C. Charmousis, A. Cisterna and M. Hassaine, JCAP **06**, 049 (2020).]
- 4 KS construction of spinning black holes with source (Kerr-Sen solution), work in progress [E. Ayón-Beato, M. Hassaine and D. Higueta-Borja.]

# A little historical overview

- 1963 [Roy P. Kerr, Phys. Rev. Lett. 11, 237 (1963)] : stationary axisymmetric solution of the Einstein's vacuum equations with no charge (Petrov classification of spacetimes by studying the algebraic character of the Weyl tensor).
- 1965 [E. T. Newman et. al, J. Math. Phys. 6, 918 (1965)] : the charged extension of the Kerr's solution.
- 1965 [R. P. Kerr, A. Schild] Both metric Kerr-(Newman) can be put in the same form, the so-called Kerr-Schild form with a flat base metric (seed metric).
- 1924 [Eddington, A., Nature 113, 192 (1924)]. Schwarzschild metric can be written in the "Kerr-Schild form"

$$ds^2 = (-dr^2 - r^2 d\theta^2 - r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2 + dt^2) - (2m/r)(dt - dr)^2$$

# Kerr-Schild Ansatz : Definitions, Motivations and Examples

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- Motivations

→ highly nonlinear character of the Einstein's equations

→ To look for metrics describing "exact perturbations" of flat spacetime propagating along a null direction (the calculations are considerably simplified in this case)

- (Generalized) Kerr-Schild Ansatz

→ A (generalized) Kerr Schild perturbation has the form

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} - 2H(x) l_{\mu} l_{\nu},$$

where  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}$  is the seed metric, and  $l$  is a null vector

$g^{\mu\nu} l_{\mu} l_{\nu} = g^{(0)\mu\nu} l_{\mu} l_{\nu} = 0$ . Originally  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)}$  was a flat spacetime, and its generalization for a non flat seed metric was first given in [B. C. Xanthopoulos, Journal of Mathematical Physics 19, 1607 (1978);].

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→ Any "perturbation" of this form  $g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} - 2H(x) l_\mu l_\nu$  will only appear quadratically in the Einstein equations, and only linearly if the null vector is also geodesic, i. e.

$$(\nabla_\nu l_\mu) l^\nu = (\nabla_\nu^{(0)} l_\mu) l^\nu = 0.$$

→ For a null and geodesic vector field, the Ricci tensor has the following form

$$R^\mu_\nu = R^{(0)\mu}{}_\nu + 2h^\mu_\sigma R^{(0)\sigma}{}_\nu - \nabla_\nu^{(0)} \nabla_\sigma^{(0)} h^{\sigma\mu} - \nabla^{(0)\mu} \nabla_\sigma^{(0)} h^\sigma_\mu + \square^{(0)} h^\mu_\nu$$

with  $h^{\mu\nu} = H l^\mu l^\nu$ .

→ Einstein's equations reduce to a linear system without any approximation.

# Kerr-Schild Ansatz : Definitions, Motivations and Examples

- Examples of Kerr-Schild metrics

- 1 The pp wave

$$ds^2 = -F(u, \vec{x})du^2 - 2dudv + d\vec{x}^2 = g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{flat}} - Fl_{\mu}l_{\nu}$$

where  $l^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} = \partial_v$  is a covariantly constant null vector.

- 2 The AdS wave

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= \frac{l^2}{y^2} [-F(u, y, \vec{x})du^2 - 2dudv + dy^2 + d\vec{x}^2] \\ &= g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{AdS}} - \frac{y^2 F}{l^2} l_{\mu}l_{\nu} \end{aligned}$$

where  $l^{\mu}\partial_{\mu} = \partial_v$  is a null Killing field.

- 3 In vacuum, most of the metrics describing black holes are of the Kerr-Schild form (Schwarzschild, Kerr-(Newman), Kerr-(A)dS in arbitrary  $D$ ).

- 4 Five-dimensional black ring solution is not of the Kerr-Schild form. [R. Emparan and H. S. Reall, Phys. Rev. Lett. **88**, 101101 (2002)]

# Main ingredients for the Kerr-Schild procedure for black holes

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- 1 The **seed metric** corresponds to the massless spacetime, and for spinning solutions, the angular momenta must be codified into it. For example, in the derivation of the Kerr spacetime, a **judicious** choice for the seed metric is provided by flat spacetime written in ellipsoidal coordinates

$$ds_0^2 = -dt^2 + (r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)) \left( \frac{dr^2}{r^2 + a^2} + d\theta^2 \right) + (r^2 + a^2) \sin^2(\theta) d\varphi^2$$

- 2 The **appropriate** null and geodesic vector field. Physically, geodesic null vector field can be interpreted as the tangent vector of optical rays.
- 3 Sachs [Sachs, R.K., Proc. R. Soc. London, Ser. A, 270, 103, 126, (1962).]  $\longrightarrow$  optical parameters : the divergence, the twist and the shear of the congruence and classify congruences by the vanishing of one or more of these parameters.

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- 1 For examples, in flat space, divergence-free congruences always exist while general vacuum spacetimes do not allow shear-free congruences.
- 2 For example, the Kerr's theorem gives (in an implicit form) the general form of a geodesic and shear-free null congruence of the flat metric  $ds_0^2 = -2dudv + d\xi d\bar{\xi}$ , i.e.

$$l = dv$$

or

$$l = du + Y\bar{Y}dv + \bar{Y}d\xi + Yd\bar{\xi},$$

where  $Y = Y(u, v, \xi, \bar{\xi})$  is defined implicitly by  $F(Y, \bar{\xi}Y + u, vY + \xi) = 0$ , and where  $F$  is an arbitrary analytic function. But **only a specific election** of  $F$  will yield the Kerr's solution.



# Kerr-Schild ansatz in higher dimension

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→ In higher dimension  $D$ , there is the possibility of  $\left[\frac{D-1}{2}\right]$  independent angular momenta.

→ The higher-dimensional extension of the Kerr solution, namely the Myers-Perry solution [R. C. Myers and M. J. Perry, *Annals Phys.* 172, 304 (1986)] was achieved thanks to the Kerr-Schild representation.

→ The higher-dimensional Kerr-(A)dS metric was only recently discovered by means of a Kerr-Schild ansatz [G. W. Gibbons, H. Lu, D. N. Page and C. N. Pope, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 93 (2004), 171102]. *"We have been led to these metrics by putting the previously-known  $D = 4$  and  $D = 5$  Kerr-de Sitter metrics into Kerr-Schild form, and making natural generalizations to higher dimensions. We have explicitly checked that they obey the Einstein equations for all physically interesting cases  $D \leq 11$ ".*

# Role of symmetries in the KS derivation of the Kerr metric [ E. Ayón-Beato, M. Hassaine and D. Higuera-Borja, Phys. Rev. D **94**, no.6, 064073 (2016). ]

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## New derivation of the Kerr's stationary axisymmetric (SA) metric

→ Well-educated guess for the analytic function  $F$  would yield the Kerr's metric.

→ Other option : assume beforehand the relevant symmetries that the final state of the gravitational collapse is supposed to enjoy (SA) → (SA) version of the Kerr's theorem.

- First step : Flat seed metric where the (SA) is manifest (cylindrical)

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\phi^2 + dz^2,$$

where  $k = \partial_t$  and  $m = \partial_\phi$  are the two Killing fields, and  $l = l_\mu dx^\mu$  with  $l_\mu = l_\mu(\rho, z)$ .

- Second step : The most general (SA) shear free and geodesic null congruence

$$l = dt + \frac{r\rho}{r^2 + a^2}d\rho - \frac{a\rho^2}{r^2 + a^2}d\phi + \frac{z}{r}dz$$

where  $r$  is the affine parameter

$$\frac{\rho^2}{r^2 + a^2} + \frac{z^2}{r^2} = 1, \quad \text{ellipsoids of revolution}$$

and where  $a$  is an integration constant (angular momentum).

- Third step : Coordinates adapted to these ellipsoids,

$$\rho = \sqrt{r^2 + a^2} \sin(\theta) \quad \text{and} \quad z = r \cos(\theta)$$

$$ds_0^2 = -dt^2 + (r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)) \left( \frac{dr^2}{r^2 + a^2} + d\theta^2 \right) + (r^2 + a^2) \sin^2(\theta) d\phi^2$$

and

$$l = dt + \frac{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)}{r^2 + a^2} dr - a \sin^2(\theta) d\phi$$

- Fourth step : The general (SA) KS ansatz is naturally

$$ds^2 = ds_0^2 + 2H(r, \theta) \left( dt + \frac{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)}{r^2 + a^2} dr - a \sin^2(\theta) d\phi \right)^2$$

where the wave profile has to be determined.

- Fifth step : Circularity theorem :

Any (SA) with commuting Killing vectors  $k$  and  $m$  satisfies

$$d * (k \wedge m \wedge dk) = 2 * (k \wedge m \wedge R(k)),$$

$$d * (k \wedge m \wedge dm) = 2 * (k \wedge m \wedge R(m)).$$

For vacuum solutions, the lhs vanish

$$\implies \partial_\theta \left[ (r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)) H(r, \theta) \right] = 0 \implies H(r, \theta) = \frac{rM(r)}{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)} \implies$$

Boyer-Lindquist coordinates  $\exists$  And  $G_r^r = 0 \propto M'(r) = 0$

# Extension for the Kerr-Newman solution

- 1 The Froebenius identities are now given by

$$-\frac{1}{4}d * (k \wedge m \wedge dk) = *F(k, m)E_k + F(k, m)B_k,$$
$$-\frac{1}{4}d * (k \wedge m \wedge dm) = *F(k, m)E_m + F(k, m)B_m,$$

- 2 For a (SA) electromagnetic field,  $\mathcal{L}_k F = 0 = \mathcal{L}_m F$ , it follows from the Maxwell equations that

$F(k, m) = 0 = *F(k, m) \implies$  the same wave profile

$$H(r, \theta) = \frac{rM(r)}{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)}.$$

- 3 The novelty is to fix an ansatz for the Maxwell field. A (SA) ansatz  $A = \hat{S}(r, \theta)l$  is not circular by construction unless  $\hat{S} = \frac{rQ}{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2(\theta)}$  and  $E_r^r = 0 \propto M'(r) = \frac{Q^2}{2r^2}$

# Kerr-Schild Ansatz in presence of matter source

- The Kerr-Schild procedure was originally considered for vacuum solutions or in presence of a Maxwell gauge field (only in  $D = 4$ ), and later in the presence of a cosmological constant in higher  $D$  [G. W. Gibbons, H. Lu, D. N. Page and C. N. Pope, Phys. Rev. Lett. **93**, 171102 (2004)]. **How to implement the Kerr-Schild procedure in presence of matter?**

- The difficulty with the presence of source is to find an appropriate ansatz for the extra dynamical fields to be fully compatible with the equations of motion.
- The most appealing example where the Kerr-Schild procedure works is the Kerr-Newman solution in  $D = 4$

$$ds^2 = ds_0^2 + \frac{2r}{\Sigma(r, \theta)} \left( \mathcal{M} - \frac{Q^2}{2r} \right) l \otimes l, \quad A = \frac{rQ}{\Sigma(r, \theta)} l$$

- **BUT** the higher-dimensional Kerr-Newman solution is not yet known ( $A \propto l$  is incompatible with the EOM).

# Kerr-Schild Ansatz in presence of matter source

[ E. Babichev, C. Charmousis, A. Cisterna and M. Hassaine, JCAP 06 (2020), 049 ]

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- Investigate the feasibility of the Kerr-Schild procedure in the case of Scalar Tensor Theories (STT), i. e.  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}(g, \phi)$  in order to construct black holes with a scalar field source.
  - 1 From a simple **seed configuration**  $(g_0, \phi_0)$ , generate a nontrivial BH configuration  $(g, \phi)$  by means of the Kerr-Schild procedure.
  - 2 Construct BHs with interesting features (e. g. regular BHs).
  - 3 The main idea will be to fix the desired properties of the solution and by "engineering inverse" to determine the STT susceptible to sustain this solution.

# Presentation of the Kerr-Schild procedure

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- 1 Consider a STT  $\mathcal{L}(g, \partial g, \partial^2 g, \partial \phi, \partial^2 \phi)$  invariant under the shift symmetry of the scalar field  $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \text{cst}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & K + G R + A_1 (\phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^{\mu\nu} - (\square \phi)^2) \\ & + A_3 \square \phi \phi^\mu \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^\nu + A_4 \phi^\mu \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^{\nu\rho} \phi_\rho + A_5 (\phi^\mu \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^\nu)^2 \end{aligned}$$

where the coupling functions  $K$ ,  $G$  and  $A_i$  are arbitrary functions of  $X = \phi_\mu \phi^\mu$ , and  $\phi_{\mu\nu} = \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu \phi$ .

- 2 Implement the KS Ansatz in the static case with a seed configuration  $(g_0, \phi^{(0)})$

$$ds_0^2 = -h_0(r) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{f_0(r)} + r^2 d\Sigma_2^2, \quad \phi^{(0)}(t, r) := qt + \psi^{(0)}(r)$$

- 3 KS transformation for the metric

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} + \mu a(r) l_\mu l_\nu, \quad l = dt - \frac{dr}{\sqrt{f_0(r) h_0(r)}}$$



# Presentation of the Kerr-Schild procedure

- Working hypothesis : We will demand that the kinetic term of the scalar field remains **unchanged** (but not necessarily constant) under the Kerr-Schild transformation of the metric

$$\mathcal{X}^{(0)} := g^{(0)\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi^{(0)} \partial_\nu \phi^{(0)} = \mathcal{X} := g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi.$$

- This condition has to be put in parallel with the Kerr-Newman case ; the seed configuration is given by a flat metric  $g^{(0)}$  with a zero gauge field  $A_\mu^{(0)} = 0$  while the gauge field after the KS transformation  $A_\mu \propto l_\mu \implies$  the norm (scalar quantity) of the gauge field remains the same under a KS transformation, i. e.

$$|A^{(0)}| := g^{(0)\mu\nu} A_\mu^{(0)} A_\nu^{(0)} = 0 = |A| := g^{\mu\nu} A_\mu A_\nu.$$

- This observation will also be important in the case of the Kerr-Sen solution.

# Presentation of the Kerr-Schild procedure

- We will say that the static Kerr-Schild transformation  $g = g^{(0)} + \mu a(r) l \otimes l$  leaving invariant the kinetic term  $X = X^{(0)}$  is a symmetry if the variation of the action

$$S(g, \phi) - S(g^{(0)}, \phi^{(0)}) = \int dr \mathcal{E}(r, a(r), a'(r), X(r), X'(r)) + b.t.,$$

vanishes for arbitrary  $\mu$  (up to a boundary term) for a specific election of the mass term  $a(r) = a(r, X^{(0)}(r))$  such that  $\mathcal{E} = 0$ .

- For the STT defined previously

$$a(r) = \frac{1}{r} e^{\int \frac{3(A_3 X + 4G_X - 2A_1)}{8(A_1 X - G)} dX}.$$

- Standard mass fall off  $a \sim \frac{1}{r}$  for  $X = \text{cst}$  or for  $X \neq \text{cst}$  with a STT satisfying the constraint  $A_3 X + 4G_X - 2A_1 = 0$ .

# Construction of regular black hole solutions by means of the Kerr-Schild procedure

- Construction of asymptotically flat regular with a flat seed metric  $h_0 = f_0 = 1$

- 1 The final metric obtained through the Kerr-Schild transf. reads

$$h(r) = f(r) = 1 - \frac{\mu}{r} e^{\int \frac{3(A_3 X + 4G_X - 2A_1)}{8(A_1 X - G)} dX}.$$

- 2 Make the following simple hypothesis,

$$\frac{3(A_3 X + 4G_X - 2A_1)}{8(A_1 X - G)} = \frac{1}{X} \implies h(r) = f(r) = 1 - \frac{X(r)}{r}.$$

- 3 Fix appropriately  $X(r)$  for the metric to be : asy. flat, outer event horizon and satisfy the Sakharov criterion

$$f(r) \underset{r \sim 0}{\sim} 1 - f_0 r^p, \quad p \geq 2,$$

- 4 By inverse engineering  $\rightarrow$  specify the corresponding STT theory, i. e.  $K, G, A_1$  and  $A_3$  (as functions of  $X$  only).

# Brief presentation of the Kerr-Sen solution

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- The Kerr-Sen BH is an exact solution of the 4D low-energy heterotic string theory,

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - e^{-\phi} F^2 - \frac{1}{12} e^{-2\phi} H^2 \right] \\ &= \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2} e^{2\phi} (\partial\chi)^2 - e^{-\phi} F^2 \right] + \frac{\chi}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\lambda} F_{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\lambda}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\phi$  is the dilaton scalar field,  $\chi$  is the axion pseudoscalar field dual to the 3-form antisymmetric tensor  $H = -e^{2\phi} \star d\chi$ .

- The Kerr-Sen black hole solution can be expressed in the Boyer-Lindquist coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= -\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma} (dt - a \sin^2 \theta d\varphi)^2 + \frac{\Sigma}{\Delta} dr^2 + \Sigma d\theta^2 + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\Sigma} [adt - (r^2 + 2br + a^2) d\varphi]^2 \\ A &= \frac{\sqrt{2mbr}}{\Sigma} (dt - a \sin^2 \theta d\varphi), \quad e^\phi = \left( \frac{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta}{\Sigma} \right), \quad \chi = \frac{2ba \cos \theta}{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta = r^2 - 2mr + 2br + a^2$  and  $\Sigma = r^2 + 2br + a^2 \cos^2 \theta$ .

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- 1 For  $b = 0$ , the solution reduces to Kerr but there is no limit to Kerr-Newman since  $A \propto b$
- 2 The Kerr-Sen metric is of type I in the Petrov classification (algebraically general)
- 3 As shown below, the Kerr-Sen metric possesses a shear-free null geodesic congruence but it is not in contradiction with the Goldberg-Sachs theorem since it is not a vacuum metric.
- 4 **Goldberg-Sachs Theorem** [Goldberg, J.N. and Sachs, R.K., Acta Phys. Pol., 22, 13, 23, (1962).] : *A vacuum spacetime metric is algebraically special if and only if it possesses a shear-free null geodesic congruence.*

- What are the difficulties to implement a KS construction
  - 1 We have to specify the seed configuration ; not only the seed metric but also the form of the seed dilaton  $\phi^{(0)}$ , axion  $\chi^{(0)}$  and the Maxwell potential  $A^{(0)}$ .
  - 2 A priori, there is no guarantee of the existence of a shear-free null geodesic congruence.
  - 3 What is the interpretation of the constant  $b$ . Should it be part of the seed configuration or not. If  $b = 0$  from the seed configuration  $\rightarrow \phi^{(0)} = \chi^{(0)} = A^{(0)} = 0$  (useless and not in the spirit of the KS construction). Hence  $b \neq 0$  and only require that  $A^{(0)} = 0$  as in the 4D Kerr-Newman case and for the Maxwell-Chern-Simons in  $D = 5$ .

# KS construction of the Kerr-Sen solution

- What are our working hypothesis

- 1  $K = \partial_t$  and  $m = \partial_\varphi$  are two Killing fields  $\rightarrow$  same symmetry for the source, i. e.  $\mathcal{L}_K(\text{fields}) = 0 = \mathcal{L}_m(\text{fields})$  where  $(\text{fields}) = \{\phi, \chi, F\}$ . The seed configuration  $\{\phi^{(0)}, \chi^{(0)}\}$  and the Einstein EOM

$$R_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \partial_\mu \phi^{(0)} \partial_\nu \phi^{(0)} + e^{2\phi^{(0)}} \partial_\mu \chi^{(0)} \partial_\nu \chi^{(0)} \right] \neq 0 \implies$$

- 2 The seed metric is not flat and not a vacuum metric but its Ricci tensor satisfies  $R^{(0)}(K, K) = R^{(0)}(K, m) = R^{(0)}(m, m) = 0$ .

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- Fixing the seed metric :

- 1 Carter's class of metric : metrics and electromagnetic fields in which Schrodinger's (wave's) equation is separable and other nice properties (existence of a Killing tensor) depending on  $\Delta_r(r)$ ,  $\Delta_\theta(\theta)$ ,  $C_r(r)$ ,  $C_\theta(\theta)$ ,  $Z_r(r)$  and  $Z_\theta(\theta)$ ,

$$ds_{(0)}^2 = P_{r,\theta} \left[ \frac{dr^2}{\Delta_r} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta d\theta^2}{\Delta_\theta} \right] + \frac{1}{P_{r,\theta}} \left[ \Delta_\theta (C_r dt - Z_r d\varphi)^2 - \Delta_r (C_\theta dt - Z_\theta d\varphi)^2 \right],$$

where  $P_{r,\theta} = (C_\theta Z_r - C_r Z_\theta)$

- 2 Imposing the conditions  $R^{(0)}(K, K) = R^{(0)}(K, m) = R^{(0)}(m, m) = 0 \implies$   
2-parametric  $(a, b)$  seed metric with  $b \geq 0$

$$ds_{(0)}^2 = -dt^2 + (r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2br) \left[ \frac{dr^2}{r^2 + a^2 + 2br} + d\theta^2 \right] + (r^2 + a^2 + 2br) \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2$$



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- Fixing the seed configuration :

- 1 With the 2-parametric seed metric, resolve the reduced field equations ( $A_\mu^{(0)} = 0$ ) to find  $\phi^{(0)}$  and  $\chi^{(0)}$ .
- 2 Complexification of the field equations with the axi-dilaton  $\tau^{(0)}$

$$\tau^{(0)} = \chi^{(0)} + ie^{-\phi^{(0)}}, \quad z = r + i\mu, \quad \mu = a \cos \theta.$$

- 3 The scalar quantities  $\phi^{(0)}$ ,  $\chi^{(0)}$  and  $A_\mu^{(0)} A^{(0)\mu}$  are Kerr-Schild invariant, i. e.

$$\phi = \phi^{(0)}, \quad \chi = \chi^{(0)}, \quad g^{\mu\nu} A_\mu A_\nu = g^{(0)\mu\nu} A_\mu^{(0)} A_\nu^{(0)} = 0.$$

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- Fixing the congruence : Kerr-Sen metric is of type I  
Looking for a congruence with the same symmetry than the metric

$$l = dt + l_r(r, \theta)dr + l_\theta(r, \theta) + l_\varphi(r, \theta)$$

imposing the null, geodesic and shear-free conditions  $\implies$   
unique congruence given by

$$l = dt + \frac{(r^2 + a^2 + 2br)}{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2br} dr - a \sin^2 \theta d\varphi$$

# KS construction of the Kerr-Sen solution

We now have all the ingredients : seed metric  $g^{(0)}$ , the seed configuration and the appropriate congruence  $l$

- 1 The final configuration is given by

$$ds^2 = ds_{(0)}^2 + \frac{2rM}{r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2br} l \otimes l,$$
$$\phi = \phi^{(0)}, \quad \chi = \chi^{(0)}, \quad A = \frac{\sqrt{m br}}{2(r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2br)} l$$

- 2 The parameter  $b$  which was seen to be positive can now be interpreted as the electromagnetic charge  $b \propto Q^2$  while the parameter  $a$  (as in the Kerr case) is identified with the angular momentum.