

On the validity of the definition of angular momentum in general relativity

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Abstract. We exam the validity of the definition of the ADM angular momentum without the parity assumption. Explicit examples of asymptotically flat hypersurfaces in the Minkowski spacetime with zero ADM energy-momentum vector and *finite non-zero* angular momentum vector are presented. We also discuss the Beig-Ó Murchadha-Regge-Teitelboim center of mass and study analogous examples in the Schwarzschild spacetime.

1. Introduction

After decades of study, the energy-momentum proposed by Arnowitt, Deser, and Misner [1] for asymptotically flat initial data sets has been well-accepted as a fundamental concept in general relativity. Schoen-Yau's theorem [19] (see also Witten [20]) establishes the most important positivity property of the definition. In addition, the rigidity property that the mass is strictly positive unless the initial data set can be embedded into the Minkowski spacetime is also obtained. Bartnik also proves the ADM energy is a coordinate invariant quantity [3]. Above-mentioned properties hold under rather general asymptotically flat decay assumptions at spatial infinity.

There have been considerable efforts and interests to complete the definitions of total conserved quantities by supplementing with the angular momentum and center of mass. For example, see [18] for the angular momentum and [4, 17, 13] for the center of mass. Those definitions using flux integrals

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have applications in, for instance, the gluing construction of [13, 12]. However, they are more complex for at least the following two reasons:

- (1) The definition involves not only an asymptotically flat coordinate system but also the asymptotic Killing fields.
- (2) The corresponding Killing fields are either boost fields or rotation fields, which are of higher order near spatial infinity in comparison to translating Killing field used in the definition of the ADM energy-momentum vector, so there is the issue of finiteness of the integrals.

The issue of finiteness has been addressed by Ashtekar-Hansen [2], Regge-Teitelboim [18], Chruściel [10], etc. Among them, Regge-Teitelboim proposed a parity condition on the asymptotically flat coordinate system. In particular, explicit divergent examples violating such a parity condition were constructed in [15, 6].

In this note, we address the question about the validity of the ADM angular momentum and the Beig-Ó Murchadha-Regge-Teitelboim center of mass without assuming the parity condition. In particular, we provide explicit examples of spacelike hypersurfaces of finite angular momentum and center of mass in the Minkowski and Schwarzschild spacetimes.

Theorem 1. *Let (M, g, π) be an asymptotically flat initial data set. If $g = \delta + O(r^{-q})$ for some $q > \frac{1}{2}$ and π satisfies*

$$\pi = \bar{\pi}r^{-p} + O(r^{-3})$$

where $0 < p < 3$ and $\bar{\pi}$ is a $(0, 2)$ -tensor on the unit sphere S^2 . Then the ADM angular momentum is always finite.

Theorem 2. *There exist asymptotically flat spacelike hypersurfaces in the Minkowski spacetime with zero ADM energy-momentum, but the ADM angular momentum is finite and non-zero.*

Theorem 3. *There exist asymptotically flat spacelike hypersurfaces in the Minkowski spacetime with zero ADM energy-momentum, but the Beig-ÓMurchadha-Regge-Teitelboim (BORT) center of mass is finite and non-zero.*

Theorem 4. *There exist asymptotically flat spacelike hypersurfaces in the Schwarzschild spacetime of mass m whose ADM energy-momentum vector is $(m, 0, 0, 0)$ and the ADM angular momentum is finite and greater than m .*

The above examples do *not* satisfy the Regge-Teitelboim condition. Hence, it is unclear whether the angular momentum and center of mass satisfy the corresponding change of coordinates when they are computed with respect to another asymptotically flat coordinate system (*cf.* [14]). The properties of the ADM and BORT definitions are in contrast to those of the recent definition of total conserved quantities on asymptotically flat initial data sets in [7], where, for example, the new definitions of angular momentum and center of mass integrals always vanish for hypersurfaces in the Minkowski spacetime.

This note is organized as follows. In Section 2, we rewrite the ADM angular momentum integral in the spherical coordinates. In Section 3, we develop criteria to ensure the finiteness of the ADM angular momentum and BORT center of mass and prove Theorem 1. In Section 4, we discuss examples of hypersurfaces in the Minkowski spacetime and prove Theorem 2 and Theorem 3. In Section 5, we prove Theorem 4.

2. ADM angular momentum and BORT center of mass

An initial data set is a three-dimensional manifold M equipped with a Riemannian metric g and a symmetric $(0, 2)$ -tensor k . On an initial data set, one can define the mass density μ and the current density J by

$$\begin{aligned}\mu &= \frac{1}{2} (R_g - |k|_g^2 + (\text{tr}_g k)^2), \\ J &= \text{div}_g k - d(\text{tr}_g k).\end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.1. *Let $p > \frac{1}{2}$. The initial data set (M, g, k) is asymptotically flat if for some compact subset $K \subset M$, $M \setminus K$ consists of a finite number of components M_1, \dots, M_p such that each M_i (end) is diffeomorphic to the complement of a compact set in \mathbb{R}^3 . Under the diffeomorphisms,*

$$g_{ij} - \delta_{ij} = O_2(r^{-p}), \quad k_{ij} = O_1(r^{-p-1})$$

and

$$\mu = O(|x|^{-3-\epsilon}), \quad |J| = O(|x|^{-3-\epsilon})$$

for some $\epsilon > 0$.

Note that it is necessary to assume $p > \frac{1}{2}$ in order to prove positivity, rigidity, and coordinate invariance of the ADM definition of energy-momentum and mass by Schoen-Yau [19], Witten [20], and Chruściel [11] (see also, for example, [9, 8, 5]).

It is often convenient to consider the conjugate momentum

$$\pi = k - (\text{tr}_g k)g.$$

It contains the same information as k because $k = \pi - \frac{1}{2}(\text{tr}_g \pi)g$. Then the Einstein constraint equations become

$$\begin{aligned}R_g - |\pi|_g^2 + \frac{1}{2}(\text{tr}_g \pi)^2 &= 2\mu, \\ \text{div}_g \pi &= J.\end{aligned}$$

Abusing terminology slightly, we will refer (M, g, π) as an initial data set below.

Definition 2.2 ([18, 4]). *Let (M, g, π) be an asymptotically flat initial data set. The center of mass C and angular momentum $J(Y)$ with respect to a*

rotation vector field $Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \times \vec{x}$, for some $i = 1, 2, 3$, are defined by

$$C^\alpha = \frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x|=r} \left[x^\alpha \sum_{i,j} \left(\frac{\partial g_{ij}}{\partial x^i} - \frac{\partial g_{ii}}{\partial x^j} \right) \frac{x^j}{|x|} - \sum_i \left((g_{i\alpha} - \delta_{i\alpha}) \frac{x^i}{|x|} - (g_{ii} - \delta_{ii}) \frac{x^\alpha}{|x|} \right) \right] d\sigma_0 \quad (2.1)$$

and

$$J(Y) = \frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x|=r} \sum_{j,k} \pi_{jk} Y^j \frac{x^k}{|x|} d\sigma_0, \quad (2.2)$$

where $d\sigma_0$ is the area measure of the standard sphere.

Our goal is to express the ADM angular momentum in the spherical coordinates. Let $\{r, u^a\}$, $a = 1, 2$, be the spherical coordinates corresponding to $\{x^i\}$. The rule for change of variable is $x^i = r\tilde{x}^i$ where \tilde{x}^i , $i = 1, 2, 3$, are the three coordinate functions on the unit sphere S^2 . We have

$$g_{ij} dx^i dx^j = (g_{ij} \tilde{x}^i \tilde{x}^j) dr^2 + 2r g_{ij} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a} \tilde{x}^j du^a dr + r^2 g_{ij} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^j}{\partial u^b} du^a du^b.$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{ij} &= (\pi_{ij} \tilde{x}^i \tilde{x}^j) dr^2 + 2r \pi_{ij} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a} \tilde{x}^j du^a dr + r^2 \pi_{ij} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^j}{\partial u^b} du^a du^b \\ &= \pi_{rr} dr^2 + 2\pi_{ra} dr du^a + \pi_{ab} du^a du^b. \end{aligned}$$

In particular, we see that if $\pi_{ij} = O(r^{-p})$, then $\pi_{rr} = O(r^{-p})$, $\pi_{ra} = O(r^{-p+1})$, and $\pi_{ab} = O(r^{-p+2})$.

Proposition 2.3. *Let (M, g, π) be asymptotically flat and let $\{x^i\}$ be an asymptotically flat coordinate system. Let $\{r, u^a\}$, $a = 1, 2$, be the spherical coordinates corresponding to $\{x^i\}$. Then the angular momentum integral (2.2) can be written in the spherical coordinates:*

$$J(x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - x^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}) = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} r^2 \int_{S^2} \epsilon^{ij} \tilde{x}^l \tilde{\epsilon}^{bc} \partial_b \pi_{rc} d\mu_{S^2}.$$

It is understood that $\pi_{rc} = \pi_{rc}(r, u^a)$ is considered as a one-form on S^2 that depends on r and the integral $\int_{S^2} \epsilon^{ij} \tilde{x}^l \tilde{\epsilon}^{bc} \partial_b \pi_{rc} d\mu_{S^2}$ becomes a function of r only. Note that $\tilde{\epsilon}^{bc} \partial_b \pi_{rc}$ corresponds to d of π_{rc} . In particular, this is zero when $\pi_{rc}(\cdot, u^a)$ is a closed one-form on S^2 .

Proof. To compute the angular momentum, we need the following change of variable formulae:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} &= \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^b} + \tilde{x}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial r}, \\ x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - x^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} &= (\tilde{x}^i \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^j}{\partial u^a} - \tilde{x}^j \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a}) \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^b}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\pi(x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - x^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}, \frac{\partial}{\partial r}) = (\tilde{x}^i \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^j}{\partial u^a} - \tilde{x}^j \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a}) \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} \pi_{br}.$$

It is easy to check that

$$\tilde{x}^i \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^j}{\partial u^a} - \tilde{x}^j \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a} = \tilde{\epsilon}_a^b \epsilon^{ij} \partial_b \tilde{x}^l,$$

where $\tilde{\epsilon}_a^b$ is the area form on S^2 and ϵ^{ij} is the volume form on \mathbb{R}^3 , raised by the standard metrics on S^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 , respectively. Therefore,

$$\int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^i \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^j}{\partial u^a} - \tilde{x}^j \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial u^a}) \tilde{\sigma}^{ac} \pi_{rc} = - \int_{S^2} \epsilon^{ij} \tilde{x}^l \tilde{\epsilon}^{bc} \partial_b \pi_{rc}.$$

□

3. Finite angular momentum

Let (M, g, π) be an initial data set where $\pi = k - (\text{tr}_g k)g$ is the conjugate momentum. In this section, we consider some criteria on (g, π) to ensure the finiteness of the ADM angular momentum integral.

3.1. Leading terms of the momentum tensor

Assume that the momentum tensor π has the following expansion

$$\pi = \bar{\pi} r^{-p} + O(r^{-3}) \quad (3.1)$$

for some symmetric $(0, 2)$ -tensor $\bar{\pi}$ on S^2 and $0 < p < 3$. This condition is closely related to the Ashtekar-Hansen condition [2]. We can rewrite π in (3.1) in the spherical coordinates,

$$\pi = r^{-p} \beta dr^2 + 2r^{1-p} \alpha_a dr du^a + r^{2-p} h_{ab} du^a du^b + O(r^{-3}), \quad (3.2)$$

for a function β , a one-form α_a , and a symmetric tensor h_{ab} on S^2 . We will show that if $g = \delta_{ij} + O(r^{-q})$ for some $q > \frac{1}{2}$ and π satisfies (3.1), then the angular momentum is always finite.

We recall the following lemma.

Lemma 3.1 ([16, Lemma 2.3]). *Let h be a symmetric $(0, 2)$ tensor on \mathbb{R}^3 satisfying*

$$h = h_{00} dr^2 + 2h_{0a} dr du^a + h_{ab} du^a du^b.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{div}_g h &= \left[r^{-2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 h_{00}) + r^{-2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\sigma}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^a} (\sqrt{\tilde{\sigma}} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} h_{0a}) - r^{-3} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} h_{ab} \right] dr \\ &+ r^{-2} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r^2 h_{0a}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{\sigma}}} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^a} (\sqrt{\tilde{\sigma}} \tilde{\sigma}^{bc} h_{ac}) + \frac{1}{2} h_{bc} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^a} \tilde{\sigma}^{bc} \right] du^a. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.2. *Let (M, g, π) be asymptotically flat. Suppose $g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + O(r^{-q})$ for some $q > \frac{1}{2}$ and π satisfies (3.2). Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{div}_g \pi &= r^{-1-p} \left[(2-p)\beta + \tilde{\nabla}^a \alpha_a - h \right] dr \\ &\quad + r^{-p} \left[(3-p)\alpha_a + \tilde{\nabla}_b \hat{h}_a^b + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^a} h \right] du^a + O(r^{-1-p-q}). \end{aligned}$$

In particular, the Einstein constraint equations imply

$$\begin{aligned} (2-p)\beta + \tilde{\nabla}^a \alpha_a - h &= 0 \\ (3-p)\alpha_a + \tilde{\nabla}_b \hat{h}_a^b + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^a} h &= 0, \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

where $h = \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} h_{ab}$ and $\hat{h}_{ab} = h_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} h \tilde{\sigma}_{ab}$.

Proof. The Einstein constraint equations imply $\operatorname{div}_g \pi = O(r^{-3-\epsilon})$. By the assumption $g = \delta + O(r^{-q})$, we have $\operatorname{div}_g \pi = \operatorname{div}_\delta \pi + O(r^{-1-q-p})$. The proposition follows from applying Lemma 3.1. \square

Proof of Theorem 1. By (3.3) and observing $\tilde{\nabla}_c \partial_a h = \tilde{\nabla}_a \partial_c h$, we obtain

$$\tilde{\epsilon}^{ac} \tilde{\nabla}_c \alpha_a = -\frac{1}{3-p} \tilde{\epsilon}^{ac} \tilde{\nabla}_c \tilde{\nabla}_b \hat{h}_a^b.$$

This is always perpendicular to \tilde{x}^l by integration by parts twice and the equation $\tilde{\nabla}_b \tilde{\nabla}_c \tilde{x}^l = -\tilde{x}^l \tilde{\sigma}_{bc}$. Hence, by $\pi_{ra} = r^{1-p} \alpha_a + O(r^{-2})$ and Proposition 2.3,

$$J(x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - x^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}) = -\frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left[r^{3-p} \int_{S^2} \epsilon^{ij} \tilde{x}^l \tilde{\epsilon}^{ac} \tilde{\nabla}_c \alpha_a \right] + O(1) = O(1),$$

for all $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. \square

We remark that Theorem 1 can be compared with the following example of divergent angular momentum. Although the leading term of π in Example 1 is of the form $\bar{\pi} r^{-2}$ for a symmetric $(0, 2)$ -tensor $\bar{\pi}$ on S^2 , it does not contradict Theorem 1 since the next term is of the order r^{-2-q} where q is strictly less than 1. In fact, this next term cannot be of the order r^{-3} , in view of Theorem 1.

Example 1 ([15, Section 3]). Given $q \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$ and functions α, β defined on the unit sphere, there exists a vacuum initial data set (\mathbb{R}^3, g, π) of the following expansions at infinity

$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} dx^i dx^j &= \left(1 + \frac{A}{r} + \frac{\alpha}{2r} \right) dr^2 + \left(1 + \frac{A}{r} - \frac{\alpha}{2r} \right) r^2 \tilde{\sigma}_{ab} du^a du^b + O(r^{-1-q}) \\ \pi_{ij} dx^i dx^j &= \frac{\beta}{r^2} dr^2 + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial u^a} \sum_i B_i \tilde{x}^i dr du^a + \sum_i B_i \tilde{x}^i \tilde{\sigma}_{ab} du^a du^b + O(r^{-2-q}), \end{aligned}$$

for some constants $A, B_i, i = 1, 2, 3$. If one chooses

$$\alpha = (\tilde{x}^1)^2, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \tilde{x}^1 \tilde{x}^3,$$

then the angular momentum J with respect to the rotation vector field $x^1\partial_3 - x^3\partial_1$ diverges.

3.2. Fall-off rates of the initial data set

We recall a theorem about finiteness and well-definedness of angular momentum for asymptotically flat manifolds by Chruściel [10].

Theorem 3.3 ([10]). *Let (M, g, π) be an asymptotically flat initial data set. Suppose*

$$g = \delta + O_2(r^{-q}), \quad \pi = O_1(r^{-p}), \quad \text{and} \quad |J| = O(r^{-4-\epsilon}).$$

If $p + q > 3$ and $\epsilon > 0$, then the ADM angular momentum is finite.

Remark. *The theorem is proved by applying the divergence theorem to (2.2) and then observe*

$$\operatorname{div}_g(\pi_{jk}Y^j) = (\nabla^i\pi_{ij})Y^j + \pi^{ij}(\mathfrak{L}_Yg)_{ij}.$$

The Einstein constraint equation implies that $\nabla^i\pi_{ij} = J_j$ and the fall-off rate implies that $\pi^{ij}(\mathfrak{L}_Yg)_{ij}$ is integrable. Hence, $\operatorname{div}_g(\pi_{jk}Y^j)$ is integrable. Therefore, the angular momentum (2.2) is finite and is independent of the family of surfaces used to compute the limit.

4. Hypersurfaces in the Minkowski spacetime

A spacelike slice in the Minkowski spacetime can always be written as the graph $t = f(r, u^a)$ for some function f defined on \mathbb{R}^3 , where $\{r, u^a\}$, $a = 1, 2$, are the spherical coordinates.

4.1. Non-zero angular momentum

Theorem 4.1. *Suppose $f = r^{\frac{1}{3}}A(u^a)$ where $A = \tilde{x}^1(\tilde{x}^2)^3$. Then the hypersurface $t = f$ in the Minkowski spacetime satisfies*

$$E = 0, \quad |P| = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad |C| = 0.$$

The ADM angular momentum $J(Y)$ is finite for any $Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \times \vec{x}$, $i = 1, 2, 3$ and

$$J(x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}) = \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9 \cdot 11}.$$

Remark. *This example is exactly on the borderline case of Theorem 3.3 with*

$$g = \delta + O(r^{-4/3}) \quad \text{and} \quad \pi = O(r^{-5/3})$$

and $p + q = 3$.

To prove the above theorem, we need the following computational results. Denote by $\bar{g} = dr^2 + r^2\bar{\sigma}_{ab}du^adu^b$ the standard metric on \mathbb{R}^3 . The induced metric on the hypersurface $t = f$ is

$$g = (1 - f_r^2)dr^2 - 2f_rf_a drdu^a + (r^2\bar{\sigma}_{ab} - f_af_b)du^adu^b$$

and the second fundamental form of the hypersurface is

$$k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}} (\bar{\nabla}_i \bar{\nabla}_j f) dx^i dx^j,$$

where $\bar{\nabla}$ is covariant derivative of \bar{g} and $\{x^i\}$ is an arbitrary coordinate chart on \mathbb{R}^3 . In the spherical coordinate system of \bar{g} , the only non-trivial Christoffel symbols are $\bar{\Gamma}_{ab}^r = -r\bar{\sigma}_{ab}$, $\bar{\Gamma}_{br}^a = r^{-1}\delta_b^a$, and $\bar{\Gamma}_{ab}^c$. The second fundamental form in the spherical coordinates is thus

$$k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}} [f_{rr} dr^2 + 2(f_{ra} - \bar{\Gamma}_{ar}^b f_b) dr du^a + (f_{ab} - \bar{\Gamma}_{ab}^r f_r - \bar{\Gamma}_{ab}^c f_c) du^a du^b].$$

Proposition 4.2. *Assume $t = f(r, u^a)$ is a spacelike hypersurface in the Minkowski spacetime. Suppose the momentum tensor in the spherical coordinates is of the form $\pi = \pi_{rr} dr^2 + 2\pi_{ra} dr du^a + \pi_{ab} du^a du^b$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{ra} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}} & \left[f_{ra} - r^{-1} f_a + (f_{rr} + r^{-2} \bar{\Delta} f + 2r^{-1} f_r) f_r f_a \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{f_r f_a}{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} (\bar{g}^{kp} \bar{g}^{lq} f_p f_q) (\bar{\nabla}_k \bar{\nabla}_l f) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

where $\bar{\Delta} f$ denotes the Laplacian of $f(u^a, r)$ with respect to the standard metric $\bar{\sigma}_{ab}$ on S^2 (only derivatives with respect to u^a are involved).

Proof. We recall the relation between the Hessians of f with respect to g and \bar{g} :

$$\nabla_i \nabla_j f = \frac{1}{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} (\bar{\nabla}_i \bar{\nabla}_j f). \quad (4.2)$$

We note that $k = \sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} (\nabla_i \nabla_j f) dx^i dx^j$ where ∇ is the covariant derivative with respect to the induced metric g . Thus

$$\text{tr}_g k = \sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} \Delta f,$$

where Δ is the Laplace operator of g . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{ra} &= k_{ra} - (\text{tr}_g k) g_{ra} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}} (f_{ra} - r^{-1} f_a) + \sqrt{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} (\Delta f) f_r f_a. \end{aligned}$$

From (4.2), we compute

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} (g^{kl} \bar{\nabla}_k \bar{\nabla}_l f) = \frac{1}{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} \left(\bar{\Delta} f + \frac{1}{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} (\bar{g}^{kp} \bar{g}^{lq} f_p f_q) (\bar{\nabla}_k \bar{\nabla}_l f) \right),$$

where we use

$$g^{kl} = \bar{g}^{kl} + \frac{\bar{g}^{kp} \bar{g}^{lq} f_p f_q}{1 - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}.$$

Note that $\bar{\Delta} f = f_{rr} + r^{-2} (\bar{\Delta} f) + 2r^{-1} f_r$. Thus we obtain the desired identity. \square

Proposition 4.3. *Let $f = A(u^a)r^p$ for some real number p and a function $A(u^a)$ defined on S^2 . If $0 < p < \frac{1}{2}$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{ra} &= A_a(p-1)r^{p-1} \\ &+ A_a \left[\frac{1}{2}p^2(3p+1)A^2 + pA\tilde{\Delta}A + \frac{(p-1)}{2}|\tilde{\nabla}A|^2 \right] r^{3p-3} + o(r^{3p-3}). \end{aligned} \quad (4.3)$$

If $p = 0$, we obtain

$$\pi_{ra} = -r^{-1}A_a - \frac{1}{2}r^{-3}|\tilde{\nabla}A|^2A_a + o(r^{-3}). \quad (4.4)$$

Proof. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} f_r &= pAr^{p-1}, & f_{rr} &= Ap(p-1)r^{p-2}, \\ f_{ra} &= A_apr^{p-1}, & f_a &= A_ar^p, & \tilde{\Delta}f &= (\tilde{\Delta}A)r^p. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$|\tilde{\nabla}f|^2 = (f_r)^2 + r^{-2}\tilde{\sigma}^{ab}f_af_b = (p^2A^2 + \tilde{\sigma}^{ab}A_aA_b)r^{2p-2}.$$

We check that the denominator of (4.1) has the following expansion

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-|\tilde{\nabla}f|^2}} = 1 + \frac{(p^2A^2 + |\tilde{\nabla}A|^2)}{2}r^{2p-2} + o(r^{2p-2}). \quad (4.5)$$

Continuing the calculation of terms in π_{ra} of (4.1), we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} &f_{ra} - r^{-1}f_a + (f_{rr} + r^{-2}\tilde{\Delta}f + 2r^{-1}f_r)f_rf_a \\ &= A_a(p-1)r^{p-1} + \left((p(p-1)A + \tilde{\Delta}A)r^{p-2} + 2pAr^{p-2} \right) (pAr^{p-1})(A_ar^p) \\ &= A_a(p-1)r^{p-1} + (p(p+1)A + \tilde{\Delta}A)pAA_ar^{3p-3}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the above computations, we obtain the desired statement. \square

Proposition 4.4. *Let $t = r^pA(u^a)$ be a hypersurface in the Minkowski space-time. Suppose $p = \frac{1}{3}$. Then the angular momentum integral is finite and*

$$J(x^i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} - x^j \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}) = -\frac{1}{24\pi} \int_{S^2} \epsilon^{ij} \tilde{x}^l * d \left(dA \left[A\tilde{\Delta}A - |\tilde{\nabla}A|^2 \right] \right) d\mu_{S^2}. \quad (4.6)$$

Proof. By Proposition 2.3, the terms in (4.3) which are closed one-forms on S^2 do not contribute to the angular momentum integral. By setting $p = \frac{1}{3}$ and letting r go to infinity, we prove the identity. \square

Our goal is to find a function A on S^2 so that (4.6) is not zero for some $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$.

Lemma 4.5. *Let $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, $i \neq j$. Let p, q be positive even integers. We have the following inductive formulae*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^i)^p (\tilde{x}^j)^q d\mu_{S^2} &= \frac{p(p-1)}{(p+q)(p+q+1)} \int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^i)^{p-2} (\tilde{x}^j)^q d\mu_{S^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{q(q-1)}{(p+q)(p+q+1)} \int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^i)^p (\tilde{x}^j)^{q-2} d\mu_{S^2}, \\ \int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^i)^2 (\tilde{x}^j)^q d\mu_{S^2} &= \frac{1}{(q+3)(q+1)} 4\pi, \\ \int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^i)^p (\tilde{x}^j)^q d\mu_{S^2} &= \frac{(p-1)(p-3) \cdots 3}{(q+1)(q+3) \cdots (q+p-3)} \frac{4\pi}{(q+p-1)(q+p+1)} \quad \text{for } p \geq 4. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Denote by $\tilde{\Delta}$ and $\tilde{\nabla}$ the Laplace operator and gradient with respect to the standard metric on S^2 . Then

$$\tilde{\Delta} \tilde{x}^i = -2\tilde{x}^i \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{x}^i \cdot \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{x}^j = \delta^{ij} - \tilde{x}^i \tilde{x}^j. \quad (4.7)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Delta}((\tilde{x}^i)^p (\tilde{x}^j)^q) &= p(p-1)(\tilde{x}^i)^{p-2} (\tilde{x}^j)^q + q(q-1)(\tilde{x}^i)^p (\tilde{x}^j)^{q-2} \\ &\quad - (p+q)(p+q+1)(\tilde{x}^i)^p (\tilde{x}^j)^q. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating by parts, we obtain the first formula. The other two equations follow by induction. \square

Proposition 4.6. *Let $A = \tilde{x}^1 (\tilde{x}^2)^3$. Then*

$$\int_{S^2} \tilde{x}^3 * d \left(dA \left[A \tilde{\Delta} A - |\tilde{\nabla} A|^2 \right] \right) d\mu_{S^2} = \frac{-2}{3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11} 4\pi.$$

Proof. In this proof, we denote \tilde{x}^i simply by x^i . Using (4.7), we compute $\tilde{\Delta} A = -20A + 6x^1 x^2$, $|\tilde{\nabla} A|^2 = (x^2)^6 + 9(x^1)^2 (x^2)^4 - 16(x^1)^2 (x^2)^6$, and thus $A \tilde{\Delta} A - |\tilde{\nabla} A|^2 = -4A^2 - 3(x^1)^2 (x^2)^4 - (x^2)^6$. The term $-4A^2$ does not contribute to the integral. We simplify

$$\begin{aligned} *d(dA(-3(x^1)^2 (x^2)^4 - (x^2)^6)) &= (-6(x^2)^8 + 6(x^1)^2 (x^2)^6) * (dx_1 \wedge dx_2) \\ &= x^3 (-6(x^2)^8 + 6(x^1)^2 (x^2)^6). \end{aligned}$$

It suffices to show that $\int_{S^2} (x^3)^2 (-6(x^2)^8 + 6(x^1)^2 (x^2)^6) d\mu \neq 0$. Using $(x^1)^2 = 1 - (x^3)^2 - (x^2)^2$, this is the same as

$$-2 \int_{S^2} (x^3)^2 (x^2)^8 + \int_{S^2} (x^3)^2 (x^2)^6 - \int_{S^2} (x^3)^4 (x^2)^6,$$

which equals $\frac{-2}{3 \cdot 7 \cdot 11} 4\pi$ by Lemma 4.5. \square

Proof of Theorem 4.1. Note that the fall-off rate $f = O(r^{1/3})$ implies that $E = 0$, and thus $|P| = 0$ by the positive mass theorem.

By Proposition 4.4, the angular momentum is finite. We only need to show that it is not zero with respect to one of the rotation vector fields. By Proposition 4.4 and Proposition 4.6,

$$\begin{aligned} & J(x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{24\pi} \int_{S^2} \tilde{x}_3 * d \left(dA \left[A\tilde{\Delta}A - |\tilde{\nabla}A|^2 \right] \right) d\mu_{S^2} = \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9 \cdot 11}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we can see that the center of mass is zero with respect to the coordinate chart $\{x\}$. In fact, it is easy to see that in the coordinate chart $\{x\}$, the coordinate spheres are symmetric with respect to reflection through the origin since the function f is even. \square

Remark. Note that hypersurfaces of the form $t = r^{\frac{1}{3}}A(u^a)$ do not satisfy the Regge-Teitelboim condition unless A is an odd function. If A is odd, by Proposition 4.4, the angular momentum is zero.

Remark. It is worthwhile to remark that the total angular momentum integral (2.2) may be computed with respect to the induced metric on the spheres $\{|x| = r\}$. Under the Regge-Teitelboim asymptotics, the limiting value is the same. However, our example in Theorem 4.1 does not satisfy the Regge-Teitelboim assumption, and the limiting value may differ by a finite vector when the integral is computed with respect to the induced metric. Nevertheless, the angular momentum with respect to the induced metric is still non-zero.

4.2. Non-zero center of mass

We construct a hypersurface in the Minkowski space with zero energy, linear momentum, and angular momentum, but its center of mass integral is not zero.

Theorem 4.7. Suppose that $f = A(u^a)$ where $A = \tilde{x}^1 + \tilde{x}^1\tilde{x}^2$. Then the hypersurface $t = f$ in the Minkowski spacetime satisfies

$$E = 0, \quad |P| = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad |J| = 0.$$

The center of mass integral C^α are

$$C^1 = 0, \quad C^2 = \frac{1}{5}, \quad C^3 = 0.$$

To prove the theorem, we need the following computational result for center of mass integral.

Proposition 4.8. Let $t = f(r, u^a) = A(u^a)$ be a hypersurface in the Minkowski spacetime for some function $A \in C^2(S^2)$. Then the center of mass integral is finite and

$$C^\alpha = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{S^2} |\tilde{\nabla}A|^2 \tilde{x}^\alpha d\mu_{S^2} \quad (4.8)$$

Proof. By (2.1),

$$C^\alpha = \frac{1}{16\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x|=r} \frac{1}{r} \left(x^\alpha \sum_{i,j} (f_{ii}f_{jj} - f_{ij}f_{ji})x^j - \sum_i f_i f_\alpha x^i + |\nabla f|^2 x^\alpha \right) d\sigma_0.$$

Note that $f_i x^i = r \partial_r f$ and $(f_i x^i)_j = f_{ij} x^i + f_j$. Since f is independent of r , we have

$$f_i x^i = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f_{ij} x^i = -f_j.$$

Hence,

$$C^\alpha = \frac{1}{8\pi} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x|=r} |\nabla f|^2 \frac{x^\alpha}{r} d\sigma_0 = \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{S^2} |\tilde{\nabla} A|^2 \tilde{x}^\alpha d\mu_{S^2}.$$

□

Proof of Theorem 4.7. From the fall-off rates of g and π , it is easy to see that $E = 0$ and $|P| = 0$. By Proposition 2.3 and (4.4), the angular momentum is zero.

By Proposition 4.8, the center of mass integral is finite. We only need to show that it is not zero for some $\alpha = 1, 2, 3$. Let $A = \tilde{x}^1 + \tilde{x}^1 \tilde{x}^2$. By Proposition 4.8,

$$\begin{aligned} C^2 &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{S^2} |\tilde{\nabla} A|^2 \tilde{x}^2 d\mu_{S^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{8\pi} \int_{S^2} |\tilde{\nabla} \tilde{x}^1 + \tilde{\nabla}(\tilde{x}^1 \tilde{x}^2)|^2 \tilde{x}^2 d\mu_{S^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{S^2} \tilde{x}^2 \tilde{\nabla} \tilde{x}^1 \cdot \tilde{\nabla}(\tilde{x}^1 \tilde{x}^2) d\mu_{S^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{S^2} (\tilde{x}^2)^2 - 2(\tilde{x}^1)^2 (\tilde{x}^2)^2 d\mu_{S^2}, \end{aligned}$$

which equals $\frac{1}{5}$ by Lemma 4.5.

By a similar computation, one shows that $C^1 = C^3 = 0$

□

Remark. *The induced metric g and the second fundamental form k for the hypersurface $t = A(u^a)$ is*

$$g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + O(r^{-2}), \quad k_{ij} = O(r^{-2}).$$

In general, the Regge-Teitelboim condition does not hold on these hypersurfaces unless the function A is odd. However, if A is odd, it is easy to see that the center of mass integral is zero due to parity.

Remark. *One can construct hypersurfaces with finite and non-zero center of mass integral defined by $t = r^k A(u^a) + r^{-k} B(u^a)$ for some $\frac{1}{2} \geq k \geq 0$. In particular, if $k = \frac{1}{2}$, A is odd and B is even, then the induced metric and second fundamental form satisfy*

$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} &= \delta_{ij} + O(r^{-1}), & k_{ij} &= O(r^{-\frac{3}{2}}) \\ g_{ij}^{\text{odd}} &= O(r^{-2}), & k_{ij}^{\text{even}} &= O(r^{-\frac{5}{2}}). \end{aligned}$$

The fall-off rates of k and k^{even} are on the borderline cases for the Regge-Teitelboim condition.

5. Hypersurfaces in the Schwarzschild spacetime

In this section, our goal is to find spacelike hypersurfaces in the Schwarzschild spacetime whose angular momentum is not zero. The Schwarzschild spacetime metric of mass m outside the event horizon is given by

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) dt^2 + \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 \tilde{\sigma}_{ab} du^a du^b,$$

where $r > 2m$, $\{u^a\}$, $a = 1, 2$, are spherical coordinates on the unit sphere, and the $\tilde{\sigma}_{ab}$ is the metric on the unit sphere. Note that any spacelike hypersurfaces is a graph over the $\{t = 0\}$ -slice. In particular, the exterior of a spacelike hypersurface is the graph of $t = f(r, u^a)$ for $r > 2m$. Let \bar{g} be the metric on the slice $\{t = 0\}$ and $\bar{\nabla}$ be the covariant derivative of \bar{g} .

Theorem 5.1. *The exterior of a spacelike hypersurface in the Schwarzschild spacetime of mass m can be expressed as the graph of $t = f(r, u^a)$, $r > 2m$. Suppose $f = r^{\frac{1}{3}} A(u^a)$ where $A = \tilde{x}^1(\tilde{x}^2)^3$. Then the spacelike hypersurface is asymptotically flat and satisfies*

$$E = m, \quad P = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad C = 0,$$

The angular momentum $J(Y)$ is finite for any $Y = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i} \times \vec{x}$, $i = 1, 2, 3$ and

$$J(x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}) = \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9 \cdot 11}.$$

Remark. Rescaling f by a constant $\lambda > 0$, we have asymptotically flat manifolds of mass m and of arbitrarily large angular momentum. In particular, this provides an explicit examples that the mass-angular momentum inequality $m \geq |J|$ does not hold for the ADM definition (cf. [16]).

In order to obtain the momentum tensor and then the angular momentum, we first compute the first and second fundamental forms of a spacelike hypersurface in the Schwarzschild spacetime.

Proposition 5.2. *The induced metric of a hypersurface $t = f(r, u^a)$ in the Schwarzschild spacetime of mass m is*

$$g = \left[\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) f_r^2 \right] dr^2 - 2f_r f_a dr du^a + (r^2 \tilde{\sigma}_{ab} - f_a f_b) du^a du^b.$$

Denote by g^{rr} , g^{ra} , and g^{ab} the coefficients of the inverse metric. The inverse metric is considered as a $(2,0)$ tensor. Then

$$\begin{aligned} g^{rr} &= \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) + \frac{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^2}{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} f_r^2 \\ g^{ra} &= \frac{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) r^{-2} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab}}{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} f_b f_r \\ g^{ab} &= r^{-2} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} + \frac{r^{-4} \tilde{\sigma}^{ac} \tilde{\sigma}^{bd}}{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2} f_c f_d. \end{aligned}$$

The timelike unit normal vector is

$$\nu = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}} \left[\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} \partial_t + \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) f_r \partial_r + r^{-2} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} f_a \partial_b \right].$$

Proof. For any coordinate system $\{x\}$ on the $\{t = 0\}$ -slice, the induced metric on the hypersurface $t = f(x)$ is

$$g_{ij} = \bar{g}_{ij} + f_i f_j g_{tt} = \bar{g}_{ij} - f_i f_j \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)$$

and the inverse metric is

$$g^{ij} = \bar{g}^{ij} + \frac{\bar{g}^{ik} \bar{g}^{jl} f_k f_l}{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}.$$

Using the spherical coordinates $\{r, u^a\}$ on the 0-slice and noting

$$\bar{g}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{2m}{r} & 0 \\ 0 & r^{-2} \tilde{\sigma}^{ab} \end{pmatrix},$$

we obtain the first two equations.

Let $e_r = \partial_r + f_r \partial_t$ and $e_a = \partial_a + f_a \partial_t$, $a = 1, 2$ be a basis of the tangent space of the graph. It is straightforward to check that the unit normal timelike vector ν is normal to e_r and e_a . \square

Proposition 5.3. *Let k be the second fundamental form of $t = f(r, u^a)$ in the Schwarzschild spacetime of mass m . Let*

$$w = \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\bar{\nabla}f|^2}.$$

Then $k = k_{rr}dr^2 + 2k_{ra}drdu^a + k_{ab}du^adu^b$ where

$$\begin{aligned} k_{rr} &= \frac{1}{w} \left(f_{rr} + 3f_r \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - f_r^3 \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) \right) \\ k_{ra} &= \frac{1}{w} \left(f_{ra} - \frac{f_a}{r} - f_a \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - f_r^2 f_a \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) \right) \\ k_{ab} &= \frac{1}{w} \left(f_{ab} + (r\tilde{\sigma}_{ab} - f_a f_b \frac{m}{r^2}) f_r \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) - \Gamma_{ab}^c f_c \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $e_r = \partial_r + f_r \partial_t$ and $e_a = \partial_a + f_a \partial_t$, $a = 1, 2$ be tangent vectors of the graph. Recall $k_{ij} = -ds^2(\nu, \nabla_{e_i}^{ds^2} e_j)$. The Christoffel symbols of ds^2 are

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{rr}^r &= - \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} \frac{m}{r^2} \\ \Gamma_{ra}^b &= \frac{1}{r} \delta_a^b \\ \Gamma_{ab}^r &= - \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) \tilde{\sigma}_{ab} r \\ \Gamma_{rt}^t &= \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} \\ \Gamma_{tt}^r &= \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right), \end{aligned}$$

Γ_{ab}^c are the same as those on S^2 , and all other Christoffel symbols are zero. The desired result follows from direct computations. \square

Proof of Theorem 5.1 . It follows from the fall-off rate $p = \frac{1}{3}$ that $E = m$. To obtain the angular momentum, we compute $\pi_{ra} = k_{ra} - (\text{tr}_g k)g_{ra}$. By Proposition 5.2 and Proposition 5.3 and letting $f(r, u^a) = r^{\frac{1}{3}}A(u^a)$, we check that

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_{ra} &= k_{ra} - (\text{tr}_g k)g_{ra} \\ &= \frac{1}{w} \left[f_{ra} - \frac{f_a}{r} - f_a \frac{m}{r^2} + (f_{rr} + r^{-2}\tilde{\Delta}f + 2r^{-1}f_r)f_r f_a \right] + o(r^{3p-3}). \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{w} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} - |\tilde{\nabla}f|^2}} \\ &= 1 - \frac{m}{r} + \frac{1}{2}(p^2 A + |\tilde{\nabla}A|^2)r^{2p-2} + o(r^{2p-2}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, comparing with (4.3) of the hypersurface in the Minkowski spacetime, the only extra term involving m that would contribute to the angular momentum integral is

$$-\frac{m}{r} \left(f_{ra} - \frac{f_a}{r} \right) = -(p-1)mA_a r^{p-2}.$$

Since the above term is a closed form on S^2 , its contribution to the angular momentum is zero by Proposition 2.3. As computed in Proposition 4.4 and by Proposition 4.6, we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} & J(x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1}) \\ &= -\frac{1}{24\pi} \int_{S^2} \tilde{x}^3 * d \left(dA \left[A\tilde{\Delta}A - |\tilde{\nabla}A|^2 \right] \right) d\mu_{S^2} = \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9 \cdot 11}. \end{aligned}$$

For the linear momentum, we apply the invariance of mass for asymptotically flat spacetime by Chruściel in [11]. Since the hypersurface and the static slice are both asymptotically flat of order $\frac{2}{3}$ and they differ by a supertranslation of order $O(r^{\frac{1}{3}})$. The ADM mass and linear momentum of the hypersurface are the same as those of the static slice. Hence the linear momentum of the hypersurface is zero. For center of mass, since the hypersurface is symmetric with respect to the origin of the coordinate system $\{x^i\}$, its center of mass is zero. \square

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