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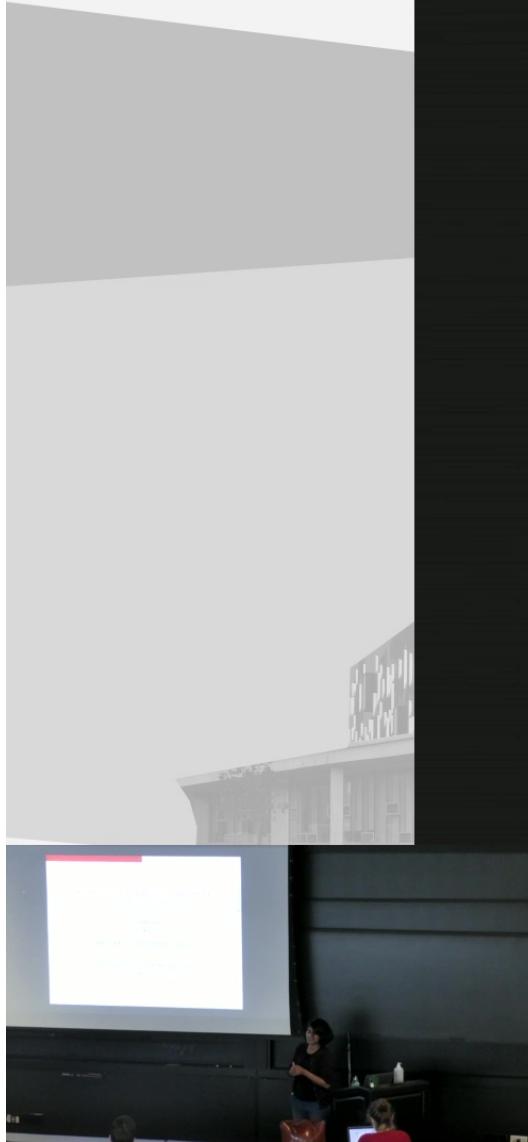
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Abstract: In this talk, I will show that supergravity on asymptotically flat spaces possesses a (nonlinear) asymptotic symmetry algebra, containing an infinite number of fermionic generators. Starting from the Hamiltonian action for supergravity with suitable boundary conditions on the graviton and gravitino fields, I will derive a graded extension of the BMS₄ algebra at spatial infinity, denoted by SBMS₄. These boundary conditions are not only invariant under the SBMS₄ algebra, but lead to a fully consistent canonical description of the supersymmetries, which have well-defined Hamiltonian generators. One finds, in particular, that the graded brackets between the fermionic generators yield BMS supertranslations, of which they provide therefore "square roots". I will comment on some key aspects of extending the asymptotic analysis at spatial infinity to fermions and on the structure of the SBMS₄ algebra in terms of Lorentz representations.

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A better title for this talk

Local SUSY

Asymptotic symmetry of supergravity at spatial infinity

BMS Supertranslations

Hamiltonian study

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Motivation

Supersymmetry

- Converts a boson into a fermion and vice-versa

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Every particle of spin s has a SUSY partner of spin $s \pm \frac{1}{2}$

- Often improves UV behaviour
- Underlying algebra: super-Poincaré $\{P^\mu, J^{\mu\nu}, Q_\alpha, \bar{Q}_\beta\}$

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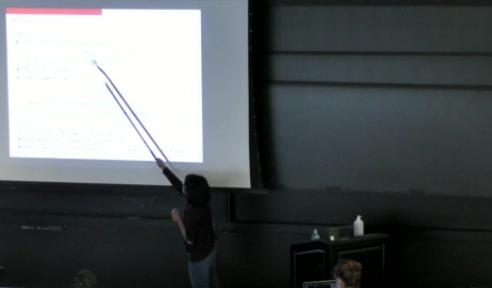
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Supergravity

Theory of gravity (spin 2) with lower spin particles: spin 3/2

- a possible way to reconcile gravity with the other forces
- Better UV behaviour than Einstein's gravity $\rightarrow \mathcal{N} = 8$ theory is finite up to 4 loops

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Motivation

- Supergravity algebra spanned by $\{P^\mu, J^{\mu\nu}, Q_\alpha, \bar{Q}_\beta\}$

2 local supersymmetries close on a diffeo:

$$\xi^\mu(x) = i\epsilon_1^T(x)\gamma^\mu\epsilon_2(x)$$

- For asymptotically flat spacetimes, the symmetry group at infinity is BMS

$$\text{BMS}_4 = SO(3, 1) \ltimes \text{supertranslations}$$

Can the fermionic symmetries be enhanced too? "Square root of supertranslations"

- Some super-BMS algebras with infinite-dimensional fermionic symmetries exist at null infinity
[Avery-Schwab 2015, Fotopoulos-Steiberger-Taylor-Zhu 2020, Pano-Pasterski-Puhm 2021]

Focus of this talk

Asymptotic symmetry of supergravity at spatial infinity

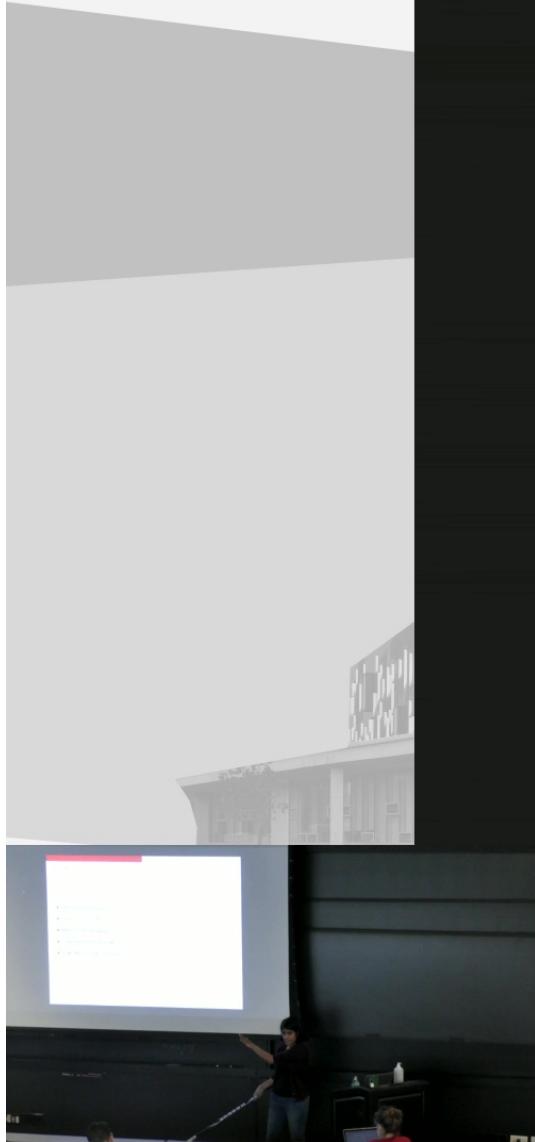
1. Graded extensions of the BMS algebra \rightarrow superalgebras at spatial infinity
2. Infinite-dimensional fermionic symmetries \rightarrow "square roots" of BMS supertranslations

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Outline

- BMS symmetry at a glance
- Hamiltonian formulation of GR
- BMS symmetry at spatial infinity
- Supergravity: A quick review
- super-BMS symmetry at spatial infinity

What is the BMS symmetry of gravity?

General relativity

$$dS^2 = g_{\mu\nu}(x)dx^\mu dx^\nu$$
$$S_{EH} = \int d^4x \sqrt{g}\mathcal{R} \Rightarrow \text{Einstein's equations}$$

Invariance under general coordinate transformations, $x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \xi^\mu(x)$

Asymptotic symmetry at null infinity [Bondi-van der Burg-Metzner-Sachs 1962]

All allowed transformations that preserve the form of the metric $g_{\mu\nu}$ at null infinity

- Poincaré in the bulk: $\xi^\mu(x) = \omega_\nu^\mu x^\nu + a^\mu$
(Lorentz $\omega_\nu^\mu = 3$ rotations + 3 boosts,) + (4 Translations a^μ) : 10 dimensional

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- BMS at null infinity: Lorentz remains the same, a^μ replaced by a function α : ∞ -dimensional
→ Lorentz + "Supertranslations"

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BMS symmetry at a glance

Bondi approach:

BMS as the asymptotic symmetry group at null infinity

- infinite-dimensional enhancement of Poincaré group
- further extended to include superrotations, $\text{Diff}(\mathbb{S}^2)$, near-horizon symmetries
- connections to soft theorems and on-shell amplitudes, Celestial Holography etc.

[**Bondi-van der Burg-Metzner-Sachs '62**, Barnich-Troessaert, Hawking-Perry-Strominger Compère, Campiglia, Detournay, Donnay, Freidel, Geiller, Grumiller, Laddha, Pasterski, Puhm, Raclariu, Sheikh-Jabbari, Zwikel and many more]

Conformal Carroll approach:

- BMS group as conformal Carroll group
- Further extensions to other Carrollian structures
- Symmetries of null hypersurfaces, Carrollian field theory

[**Duval-Gibbons-Hovarthy '14**, Campoleoni, Ciambelli, Donnay, Fiorucci, Freidel, Flanagan, Heffray, Leigh, Obers, Petropoulos, Ruzziconi and many more]

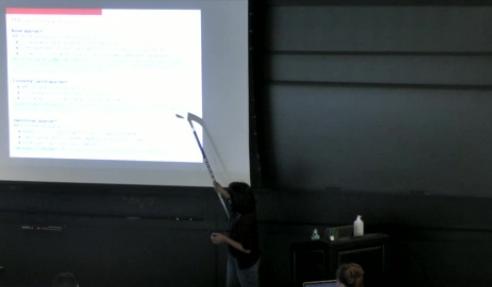
Hamiltonian approach:

BMS symmetry at spatial infinity

- Based on "3 + 1" Hamiltonian formulation of gravity à la ADM
- Canonical realization of the BMS algebra from an action principle
- a precursor to any quantization methods

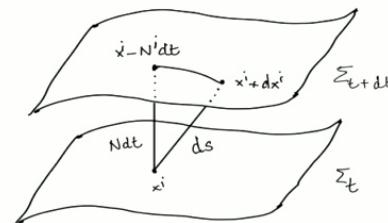
[**Henneaux-Troessaert '18**, Fuentealba, Guilini, SM, Matulich, Neogi, Riello, Tanzi, ...]

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Hamiltonian formulation of GR à la Dirac and ADM

- 3+1 foliation of spacetime by a family of spacelike surfaces Σ_t



- Dynamical variables on Σ_t
 $(g_{ij}, \pi^{ij}) \rightarrow$ 3-metric on Σ_t and conjugate momenta

The ADM action for gravity [Dirac '58, Arnowitt-Deser-Misner '62]

$$S_{ADM}[g_{ij}, \pi^{ij}, N, N^i] = \int dt \{ \int d^3x (\pi^{ij} \dot{g}_{ij} - N\mathcal{H} - N^i \mathcal{H}_i) - B_\infty \}$$

Hamiltonian action: $S = \int (p\dot{q} - H)$

Boundary terms B_∞ ensure a good variational principle [Regge-Teitelboim '74]

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- Lagrange multipliers, N and N^i implement the constraints

$$\mathcal{H} = -\sqrt{g}R + \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}}(\pi^{ij}\pi_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}\pi^2), \quad \mathcal{H}_i = -2\nabla_j\pi_i^j$$

Constraints generate gauge symmetries

- Symplectic form

$$\Omega = \int d^3x d_V \pi^{ij} \wedge d_V g_{ij}, \quad d_V \equiv \text{exterior derivative in field space}$$

Phase space : $\{g_{ij}, \pi^{ij}\}$

Poisson bracket: $\{g_{ij}(x), \pi^{kl}(x')\} = \delta_{(i}^{(k} \delta_{j)}^{l)} \delta^{(3)}(x - x')$

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Symmetries of the ADM action

- Diffeomorphisms:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_\xi g_{ij} &= \frac{2\xi}{\sqrt{g}} \left(\pi_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \pi \right) + \mathcal{L}_\xi g_{ij}, \\ \delta_\xi \pi^{ij} &= -\xi \sqrt{g} \left(R^{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g^{ij} R \right) + \frac{1}{2} \xi \sqrt{g} \left(\pi_{mn} \pi^{mn} - \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 \right) \\ &\quad - 2\xi \sqrt{g} \left(\pi^{im} \pi^j_m - \frac{1}{2} \pi^{ij} \pi \right) + \sqrt{g} \left(\xi^{ij} - g^{ij} \xi^{lm} {}_{lm} \right) + \mathcal{L}_\xi \pi^{ij}\end{aligned}$$

- Canonical generator for *all* symmetries

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a) Gauge symmetry: $Q_{\xi,\xi^i} = 0$

Proper gauge transformations do not affect the physical states

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E.g. Poincaré symmetry

$$\xi = b_i x^i + a^0, \quad \xi^i = \omega^i_j x^j + a^i,$$

b^i boosts, ω^i_j rotations, a^0 time translation, a^i spatial translations

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Asymptotic symmetries in the Hamiltonian formulation

Hamiltonian action with standard boundary conditions



Relax the boundary conditions with a “gauge-twist”



Ensure finiteness of the kinetic term and symplectic form



Check that all Poincaré charges are canonical



Define canonical generators and compute the asymptotic symmetry algebra

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Asymptotic conditions I

First ingredient: fall-off conditions

We use spherical coordinates (r, x^A) where x^A are coordinates on the sphere

- **Asymptotically flat spacetimes:** metric approaches Minkowski as $r \rightarrow \infty$

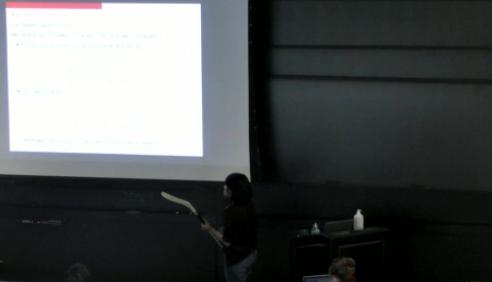
$$\begin{aligned} g_{rr} &= 1 + \frac{1}{r} \bar{h}_{rr} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-2}), \\ g_{rA} &= \bar{\lambda}_A + \frac{1}{r} h_{rA}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-2}), \\ g_{AB} &= r^2 \bar{g}_{AB} + r \bar{h}_{AB} + h_{AB}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

- Conjugate momenta

$$\begin{aligned} \pi^{rr} &= \bar{\pi}^{rr} + \frac{1}{r} \pi_{(2)}^{rr} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-2}), \\ \pi^{rA} &= \frac{1}{r} \bar{\pi}^{rA} + \frac{1}{r^2} \pi_{(2)}^{rA} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-3}), \\ \pi^{AB} &= \frac{1}{r^2} \bar{\pi}^{AB} + \frac{1}{r^3} \pi_{(2)}^{AB} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-4}). \end{aligned}$$

Barred quantities, such as \bar{h}_{ij} or the $\bar{\pi}^{ij}$ are functions on the unit sphere

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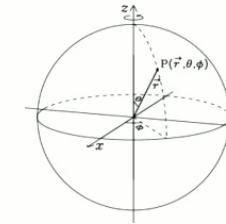
Asymptotic conditions II

Second ingredient: parity conditions on leading terms

"Gauge-twisted" parity conditions: [Henneaux-Troessaert '18]

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{h}_{rr} &= \text{even}, \\ \bar{\lambda}_A &= (\bar{\lambda}_A)^{\text{odd}} + \bar{D}_A \zeta_r - \bar{\zeta}_A, \\ \bar{h}_{AB} &= (\bar{h}_{AB})^{\text{even}} + \bar{D}_A \bar{\zeta}_B + \bar{D}_B \bar{\zeta}_A + 2\bar{g}_{AB} \zeta_r \\ \bar{\pi}^{rr} &= (\bar{\pi}^{rr})^{\text{odd}} - \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{\Delta} V, \\ \bar{\pi}^{rA} &= (\bar{\pi}^{rA})^{\text{even}} - \sqrt{\bar{g}} \bar{D}^A V, \\ \bar{\pi}^{AB} &= (\bar{\pi}^{AB})^{\text{odd}} + \sqrt{\bar{g}} (\bar{D}^A \bar{D}^B V - \bar{g}^{AB} \bar{\Delta} V),\end{aligned}$$

Parity: $(r, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow (r, \pi - \theta, \phi + 2\pi)$



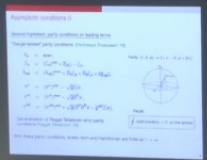
Recall:

$$\oint (\text{odd function}) = 0 \text{ on the sphere}$$

Generalization of Regge-Teitelboim strict parity conditions [Regge-Teitelboim' 74]

With these parity conditions, kinetic term and Hamiltonian are finite as $r \rightarrow \infty$

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Canonical realization of Poincare generators

Strict invariance of the symplectic form

$$\Omega = \int d^3x d_V \pi^{ij} \wedge d_V g_{ij},$$

ξ generates a canonical transformation if

$$\mathcal{L}_\xi \Omega = d_V(\iota_\xi \Omega) = 0 \Rightarrow \iota_\xi \Omega = -d_V G_\xi$$

G_ξ is the generator associated with this canonical transformation.

- Under Lorentz rotations Y^A

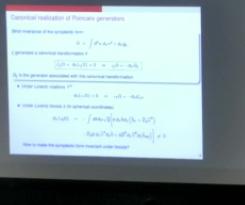
$$d_V(\iota_Y \Omega) = 0 \Rightarrow \iota_Y \Omega = -d_V G_{YA}$$

- Under Lorentz boosts b (in spherical coordinates)

$$\begin{aligned} d_V(\iota_b \Omega) &= - \int d\theta d\varphi \sqrt{\bar{g}} \left[b d_V \bar{h} d_V (\bar{h}_{rr} + \bar{D}_A \bar{\lambda}^A) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \bar{D}_A b d_V \bar{\lambda}^A d_V \bar{h} + b \bar{D}^A d_V \bar{\lambda}^B d_V \bar{h}_{AB} \right] \neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

How to make the symplectic form invariant under boosts?

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Non-integrability of the boost generators: Resolution

- Perform a gauge transformation

$$\epsilon(b) \equiv bF, \quad F \text{ is field-dependent}$$

$$d_V(\iota_\xi\Omega) + d_V(\iota_\epsilon\Omega) = - \int d\theta d\varphi \sqrt{\bar{g}} \left[2b \left(d_V F + \frac{1}{2} d_V \bar{h} \right) d_V (\bar{h}_{rr} + \bar{D}_A \bar{\lambda}^A) \right. \\ \left. - \bar{D}_A b d_V \bar{\lambda}^A d_V \bar{h} + b \bar{D}^A d_V \bar{\lambda}^B d_V \bar{h}_{AB} \right]$$

$\text{Set } F = -\frac{1}{2}\bar{h}$

- Fourth ingredient of asymptotic conditions (Recall: $h_{rA} = \bar{\lambda}_A + \mathcal{O}(r^{-1})$)

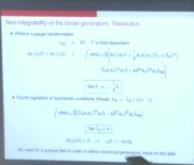
$$\int d\theta d\varphi \sqrt{\bar{g}} \left[\bar{D}_A b d_V \bar{\lambda}^A d_V \bar{h} - b \bar{D}^A d_V \bar{\lambda}^B d_V \bar{h}_{AB} \right]$$

$\text{Set } \bar{\lambda}_A = 0$

$$d_V(\iota_b\Omega) = 0 \Rightarrow \iota_b\Omega = -d_V G_b$$

No need for a surface field in order to define canonical generators: [more on this later](#)

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Are there more symmetries?

Yes, symmetries of the form $x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \epsilon^\mu(x)$ with parameters

$$\epsilon^0(\theta, \phi) \sim T^{\text{even}}, \quad \epsilon^i(\theta, \phi) \sim \partial_i W^{\text{odd}} \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{one single arbitrary function } \boxed{T(\theta, \phi)}$$

- Time component of gauge parameter

$$\epsilon^0 = \bar{\epsilon}^0 + \mathcal{O}(r^{-1}), \quad \bar{\epsilon}^0 = \textcolor{blue}{T_0} + T_2 + T_4 + T_6 + \dots$$

- Spatial components

$$\epsilon^k = \bar{\epsilon}^k + \mathcal{O}(r^{-1}), \quad \bar{\epsilon}^k = D^k(rW),$$

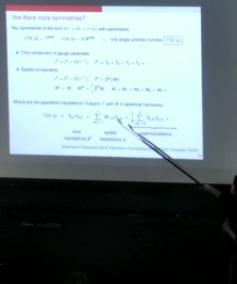
$$W' = W, \quad W^A = \frac{1}{r} \bar{D}^A W, \quad W = \textcolor{blue}{W_1} + W_3 + W_5 + W_7 + \dots$$

Where are the spacetime translations? Expand T and W in spherical harmonics

$$T(\theta, \phi) = \underbrace{\textcolor{blue}{T_{0,0}} Y_{0,0}}_{\substack{\text{time} \\ \text{translations } a^0}} + \sum_{m=-1}^1 \underbrace{\textcolor{blue}{W_{1,m}} Y_{1,m}}_{\substack{\text{spatial} \\ \text{translations } a^i}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} \sum_{m=-2}^2 \textcolor{blue}{T_{2,m}} Y_{2,m}}_{\substack{\text{supertranslations}}} + \dots$$

[Henneaux-Troessaert 2018; Henneaux-Fuentealba-SM-Matulich-Troessaert 2020]

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Asymptotic symmetries at spatial infinity

- Canonical generator for BMS

$$G_{\xi,\xi^i} = \int d^3x (\xi \mathcal{H} + \xi^i \mathcal{H}_i) + Q_{\xi,\xi^i},$$
$$Q_{\xi,\xi^i} = \int d\theta d\varphi \left\{ b \left[\sqrt{\bar{g}} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \bar{h} \bar{h}_{rr} + \frac{1}{4} \bar{h}^2 - \frac{3}{4} \bar{h}_{AB} \bar{h}^{AB} \right) + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\bar{g}}} \bar{\pi}_A^r \bar{\pi}^{rA} \right] + 2Y_A \bar{\pi}^{rB} \bar{h}_B^A \right. \right.$$
$$\left. \left. + 2\sqrt{\bar{g}} T \underbrace{\bar{h}_{rr}}_{\text{even}} + 2W \underbrace{(\bar{\pi}^{rr} - \bar{\pi}_A^A)}_{\text{odd}} \right\} \right.$$

$(T_{\text{odd}}, W_{\text{even}})$ → proper gauge transformations

$(T_{\text{even}}, W_{\text{odd}})$ → improper gauge transformations : Supertranslations

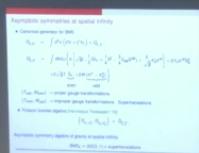
- Poisson bracket algebra [Henneaux-Troessaert '18]

$$\{G_{\xi_1,\xi_1^i}, G_{\xi_2,\xi_2^i}\} = \hat{G}_{\hat{\xi},\hat{\xi}^i},$$

Asymptotic symmetry algebra of gravity at spatial infinity

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Asymptotic symmetry algebra

- Poisson bracket algebra [Henneaux-Troessaert '18]

$$\{G_{\xi_1, \xi_1^i}, G_{\xi_2, \xi_2^i}\} = \hat{G}_{\hat{\xi}, \hat{\xi}^i},$$

with the parameters

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{Y}^A &= Y_1^B \partial_B Y_2^A + \bar{\gamma}^{AB} b_1 \partial_B b_2 - (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\ \hat{b} &= Y_1^B \partial_B b_2 - (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\ \hat{T} &= Y_1^A \partial_A T_2 - 3b_1 W_2 - \partial_A b_1 \bar{D}^A - 2W - b_1 \bar{D}_A \bar{D}^A W_2 - (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \\ \hat{W} &= Y_1^A \partial_A W_2 - b_1 T_2 - (1 \leftrightarrow 2)\end{aligned}$$

- BMS as the infinite-dimensional enhancement of Poincaré, $G_{\xi, \xi^i} = G_{\text{Lorentz}} + G_{T, W}$

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$$\{G_{\text{Lorentz}}, G_{a, a^i}\} = \hat{G}_{(\hat{a}, \hat{a}^i)}$$

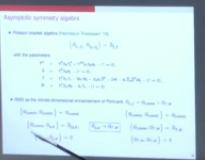
$$G_{a, a^i} \rightarrow G_{T, W}$$

$$\{G_{\text{Lorentz}}, G_{T, W}\} = \hat{G}_{\hat{T}, \hat{W}}$$

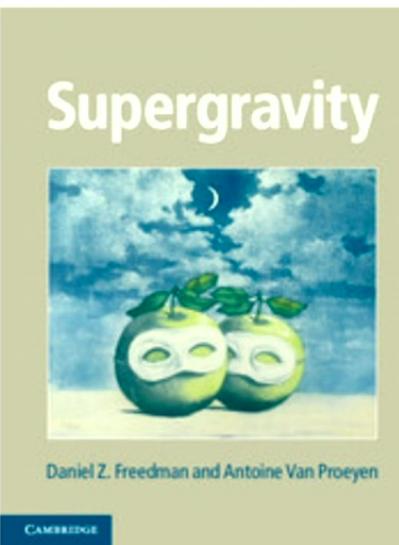
$$\{G_{a, a^i}, G_{a, a^i}\} = 0$$

$$\{G_{T, W}, G_{T, W}\} = 0$$

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Part II



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$\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity: Hamiltonian formulation

- $\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity: Field content (2, 3/2)

We use the vierbein (tetrad) formalism to couple spinors to spin-2

$$g_{ij} = e_i^a e_{aj}, \quad \pi^{ij} = \frac{1}{2} e^{a(i} \pi_a^{j)}, \quad a, b, \dots = \text{local Lorentz indices}$$

Hamiltonian action of supergravity [Deser-Kay-Stelle '77, Pilati '77]

$$\mathcal{S} = \int dt \left[\int d^3x \left(\pi_a^i \dot{e}_i^a + \frac{i}{2} \sqrt{g} \psi_k^T \gamma^{km} \dot{\psi}_m \right) - H \right]$$

Hamiltonian

$$H = \int d^3x \left(N\mathcal{H} + N^i\mathcal{H}_i + i\psi_0^T \mathcal{S} + \frac{1}{2} \lambda_{ab} \mathcal{J}^{ab} \right) + B_\infty^H.$$

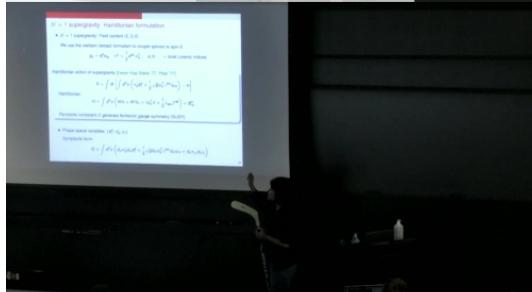
Fermionic constraint \mathcal{S} generate fermionic gauge symmetry (SUSY)

- Phase space variables: (e_i^a, π_a^i, ψ_i)

Symplectic form

$$\Omega = \int d^3x \left(d_V \pi_a^i d_V e_i^a + \frac{i}{2} \sqrt{g} d_V \psi_k^T \gamma^{km} d_V \psi_m + d_V \pi_\chi d_V \chi \right)$$

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$\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity: Attempt I

Boundary conditions I

- Spin-2 fields

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"gauge-twisted" parity conditions:

$$\bar{h}_{ij} = (\bar{h}_{ij})^{\text{even}} + (\nabla_i U_j + \nabla_j U_i), \quad \bar{\pi}^{ij} = (\bar{\pi}^{ij})^{\text{odd}} + (\nabla^i \nabla^j V - \bar{\delta}^{ij} \Delta V),$$

- Spin-3/2 field

$$\psi_k = \frac{\mu_k(\theta, \phi)}{r^2} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-3}), \quad \text{no parity condition}$$

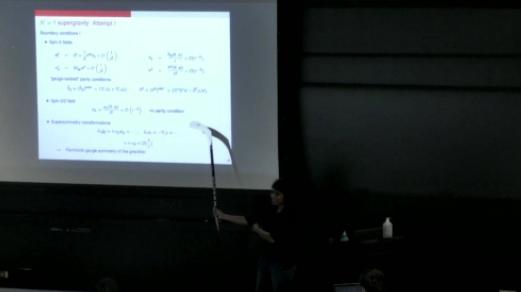
- Supersymmetry transformations

$$\delta_\epsilon g_{ij} = i\epsilon \gamma_{(i} \psi_{j)} + \dots, \quad \delta_\epsilon \psi_i = -\nabla_i \epsilon + \dots$$

$$\epsilon = \epsilon_0 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{r}\right)$$

→ Fermionic gauge symmetry of the gravitino

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$\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity: Attempt I

Canonical generator

$$G_{\xi, \xi^i, \epsilon} = \int d^3x \epsilon^T (\xi \mathcal{H} + \xi^i \mathcal{H}_i + i\mathcal{S}) + Q_{\xi, \xi^i, \epsilon}$$
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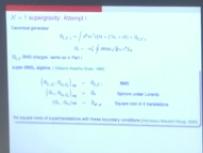
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No square roots of supertranslations with these boundary conditions [Henneaux-Matulich-Neogi, 2020]

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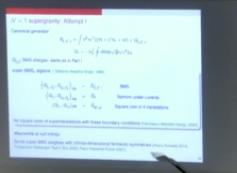
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Meanwhile at null infinity:

Some super-BMS algebras with infinite-dimensional fermionic symmetries [Avery-Schwab 2015, Fotopoulos-Steiberger-Taylor-Zhu 2020, Pano-Pasterski-Puhm 2021]

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$\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity: Attempt II

New boundary conditions

- Spin-2 field

$$\begin{aligned} h_{ij} &= \frac{\bar{h}_{ij}(\theta, \varphi)}{r} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-2}), & \bar{h}_{ij} &= (\bar{h}_{ij})^{\text{even}} + (\nabla_i U_j + \nabla_j U_i), \\ \pi^{ij} &= \frac{\bar{\pi}^{ij}(\theta, \varphi)}{r^2} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-3}), & \bar{\pi}^{ij} &= (\bar{\pi}^{ij})^{\text{odd}} + (\nabla^i \nabla^j V - \bar{\delta}^{ij} \Delta V), \end{aligned}$$

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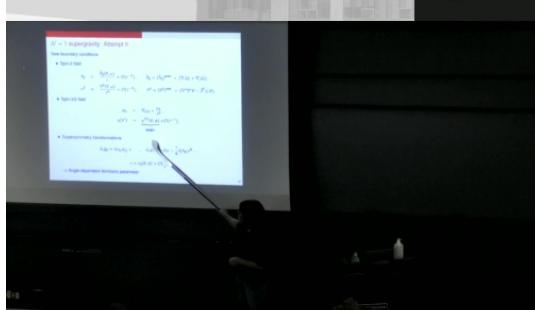
$$\begin{aligned} \psi_k &= \nabla_k \chi + \frac{\mu_k}{r^2}, \\ \chi(x^i) &= \underbrace{\chi^{(0)}(\theta, \phi)}_{\text{even}} + \mathcal{O}(r^{-1}), \end{aligned}$$

- Supersymmetry transformations

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_\epsilon g_{ij} &= i\epsilon \gamma_{(i} \psi_{j)} + \dots, & \delta_\epsilon \psi_i &= -\partial_i \epsilon - \frac{1}{4} \partial_j h_{ik} \gamma^{jk} \dots \\ \epsilon &= \epsilon_0(\theta, \phi) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{r}\right) \end{aligned}$$

→ Angle-dependent fermionic parameter

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Asymptotic symmetries in the Hamiltonian formulation

Hamiltonian action with standard boundary conditions



Relax the boundary conditions with a “gauge-twist”



Ensure finiteness of the kinetic term and symplectic form

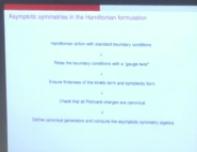


Check that all Poincaré charges are canonical



Define canonical generators and compute the asymptotic symmetry algebra

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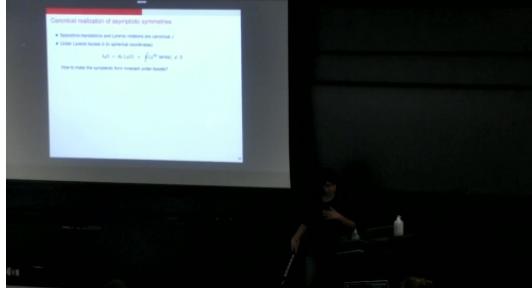
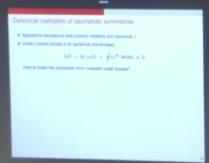
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Resolution: Introduce a boundary field ω

Modifies the action (and symplectic form) by a surface term

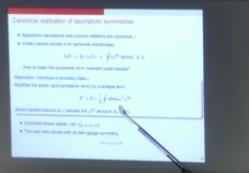
$$S' = S + \frac{i}{2} \oint d\theta d\varphi \omega^T \dot{\chi}^{(0)}.$$

Boost transformations of ω cancels the $\chi^{(0)}$ terms in $d_V(\iota_b \Omega)$

- Extended phase space: $(e_i^a, \pi_a^i, \chi, \mu_i, \omega)$
- The new field comes with its own gauge symmetry,

$$\omega \rightarrow \omega + \sigma$$

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Canonical generator for gauge symmetries

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- Q_ϵ Supersymmetry charge

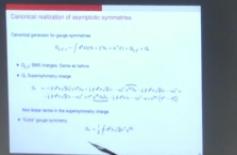
$$\begin{aligned} Q_\epsilon = & -i \oint d^2x \sqrt{\bar{g}} \epsilon_0^T \gamma_r \bar{\gamma}^A \bar{\mu}_A + \frac{i}{4} \oint d^2x \sqrt{\bar{g}} (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)^T \overbrace{\chi^{(0)} \bar{h}_{rr}}^{\omega} - \frac{i}{2} \oint d^2x \sqrt{\bar{g}} (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)^T \omega \\ & - \frac{i}{8} \oint d^2x \sqrt{\bar{g}} (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)^T \gamma_r \bar{\gamma}^A \underbrace{\chi^{(0)} \partial_A \bar{h}_{rr}}_{\bar{\pi}^r} - \frac{i}{2} \oint d^2x (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)^T \gamma_0 \gamma_r \chi^{(0)} (\bar{\pi}^r - \bar{\pi}_A^A) \end{aligned}$$

Non-linear terms in the supersymmetry charge

- “Extra” gauge symmetry

$$G_\sigma = \frac{i}{2} \oint d^2x \sqrt{\bar{g}} \sigma^T \chi^{(0)}$$

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SBMS₄ algebra at spatial infinity

- SBMS₄ algebra for $\mathcal{N} = 1$ supergravity

$\{G_{\xi_1, \xi_1^i}, G_{\xi_2, \xi_2^j}\}$	=	$\hat{G}_{\hat{\xi}, \hat{\xi}^i}$,	BMS
$\{G_\epsilon, G_{\epsilon'}\}$	=	$G_{\hat{T}, \hat{W}}$	supersymmetry
$\{G_\epsilon, Q_\sigma\}$	=	$-\frac{i}{2} \oint d^2x \sqrt{\bar{g}} (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)^T \sigma$	central charge
$\{Q_\sigma, Q_{\sigma'}\}$	=	0	

- Supertranslation parameters (\hat{T}, \hat{W})

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{T} &= -\frac{i}{4} \epsilon_0^T \epsilon'_0 - \frac{i}{4} (\epsilon - \epsilon_0)^T (\epsilon' - \epsilon'_0), \\ \hat{W} &= \frac{i}{4} \epsilon^T \gamma_0 \gamma_r \epsilon' - \frac{i}{4} (\epsilon^T \gamma_0 \gamma_r \epsilon'_0 - \epsilon'^T \gamma_0 \gamma_r \epsilon_0)\end{aligned}$$

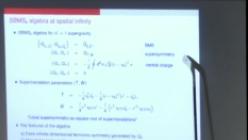
"Local supersymmetry as square root of supertranslations"

- Key features of the algebra

- a) Extra infinite-dimensional fermionic symmetry generated by Q_σ
- b) Non-linear terms in the generators → Jacobi identity with boosts non-trivial

[Henneaux-Fuentealba-SM-Matulich-Neogi, 2021]

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- Electromagnetism in the duality-invariant formulation

Boundary d.o.f. **always** required

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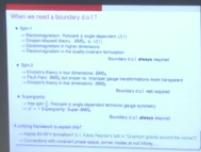
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A unifying framework to explain this?

- maybe BV-BFV formalism? [c.f. Kasia Rejzner's talk in "Quantum gravity around the corner"]
- Connections with covariant phase space, corner modes at null infinity, ...

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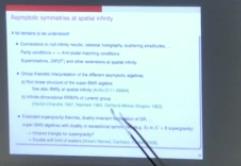


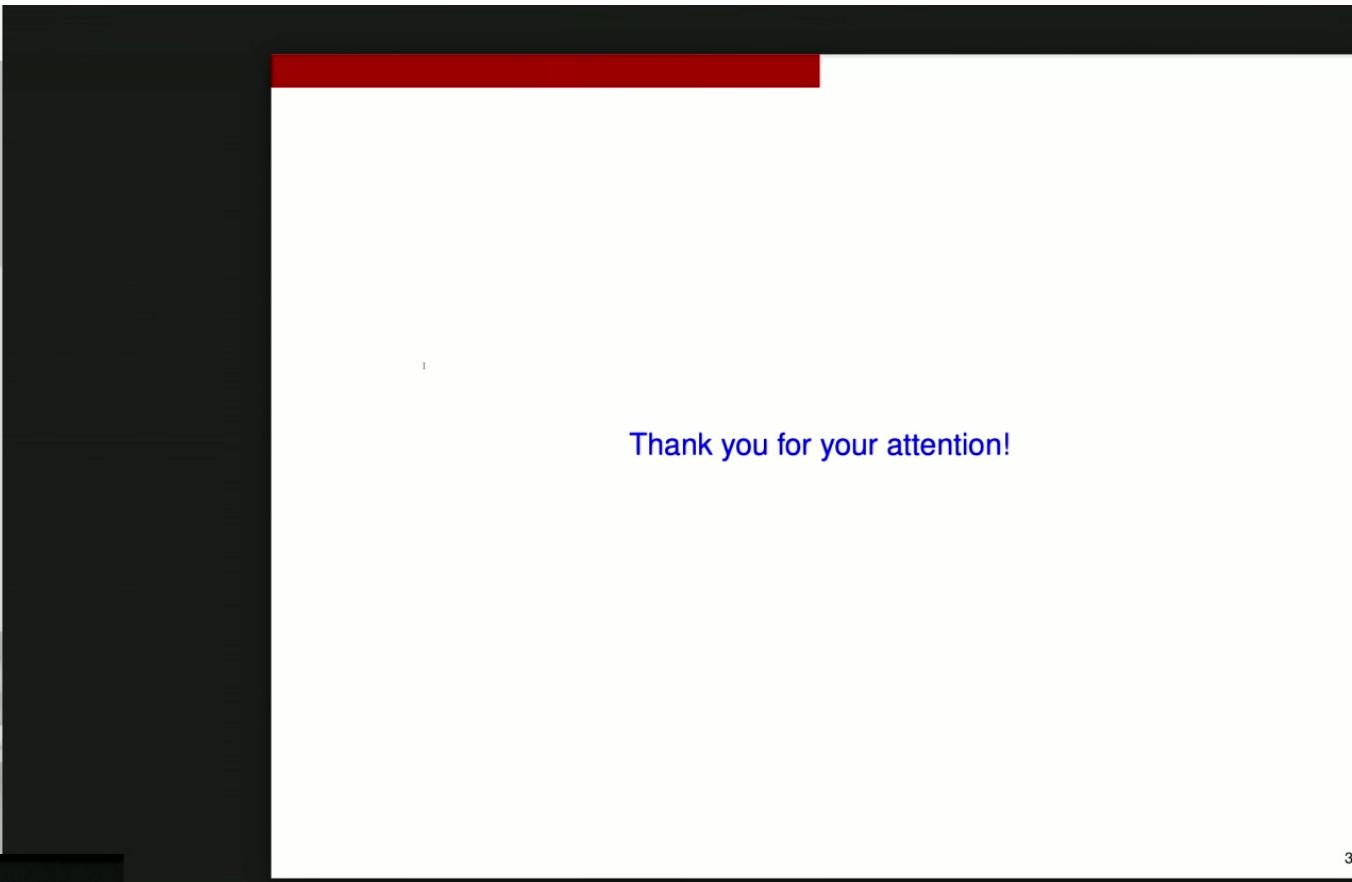
Asymptotic symmetries at spatial infinity

A lot remains to be understood!

- Connections to null infinity results, celestial holography, scattering amplitudes, ...
Parity conditions \longleftrightarrow Anti-podal matching conditions
Superrotations, $Diff(\mathbb{S}^2)$ and other extensions at spatial infinity
- Group-theoretic interpretation of the different asymptotic algebras
 - a) Non-linear structure of the super-BMS algebra
See also BMS_5 at spatial infinity [[ArXiv:2111.09664](#)]
 - b) Infinite-dimensional IRREPs of Lorentz group
[Harish-Chandra 1947, Naimark 1962, Gel'fand-Minlos-Shapiro 1963]
- Extended supergravity theories, duality-invariant formulation of GR, ...
super-BMS algebras with duality or exceptional symmetries (e.g. E_7 in $\mathcal{N} = 8$ supergravity)
 - Infrared triangle for supergravity?
 - Double soft limit of scalars [Arkani-Hamed, Cachazo, Kaplan 2008]

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Thank you for your attention!

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