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Abstract

We extend the work in our earlier paper (Bičák \textit{et al} 2010 \textit{Class. Quantum Grav.} 27 055007 ) to show that time-periodic, asymptotically flat solutions of the Einstein equations analytic at \( I \), whose source is one of a range of scalar-field models, are necessarily stationary. We also show that, for some of these scalar-field sources, in stationary, asymptotically flat solutions analytic at \( I \), the scalar field necessarily inherits the symmetry. To prove these results we investigate miscellaneous properties of massless and conformal scalar fields coupled to gravity, in particular Bondi mass and its loss.

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1. Introduction

In this paper, we continue the study begun in [4] (paper I) of asymptotically flat solutions of Einstein’s equations that are periodic in time. In [4], we showed that such spacetimes, if either vacuum or electrovacuum and analytic at \( I \), are necessarily stationary near \( I \). Here we extend this result to spacetimes whose source is one of a range of scalar-field models.

In [4], we also considered the problem of inheritance of symmetry. This is the question of whether, if a spacetime which is a solution of Einstein’s equations with some matter source has a symmetry, the matter source necessarily has the same symmetry. For asymptotically flat electrovacuum spacetimes which are analytic near \( I \) we showed that the symmetry is necessarily inherited. For scalar-field sources, we now obtain the same result in some cases but not in others.
The scalar fields we consider fall into two broad classes. The first class includes the complex, massless Klein–Gordon (KG) field which satisfies wave equation (1) and has an energy–momentum tensor as in (2). Here we prove

**Theorem 5.2.** A weakly asymptotically simple time-periodic solution of the Einstein-massless-KG field equations which is analytic in a neighbourhood of $I^-$ necessarily has a Killing vector which is time-like in the interior and extends to a translation on $I^-$. 

It is also possible to include a potential for the scalar field, as in subsection (2.3), and therefore to include a mass-term, and the above result will continue to hold subject to a weak condition on the potential. Now one knows, for example from [5], that there exist boson-star solutions of the Einstein-massive-KG system for which the metric is static, spherically symmetric and asymptotically flat, while the complex scalar field takes the form $f(r) e^{i\omega t}$: these solutions are genuinely periodic in time but not stationary, and the source does not inherit all the symmetries of the metric. However, it is easy to see that these solutions are not analytic near $I$, which is why they do not violate our result.

The other class of scalar fields contains what we shall call the conformal scalar field, that is, it satisfies the conformally invariant wave equation (35). For simplicity, we shall take the field to be real, though the formalism allows a complex field. In the real case, there is a conserved energy–momentum tensor for such a source due originally to [14] (see also [7] and [15]), given in (36). This leads to a form of the Einstein equations (37) studied in [11], where it was shown that there is a well-posed initial-value problem. With suitable data on hyperboloidal surfaces extending to $I$, there exist asymptotically flat solutions even with a regular point at $i^+$ [11]. Explicit static spherically symmetric solutions were earlier given in [2, 3]. Starting from the assumption of an asymptotically flat solution of these Einstein equations, we may proceed as before, with the corresponding result.

**Theorem 5.3.** A weakly asymptotically simple time-periodic solution of the Einstein-conformal-scalar-field equations which is analytic in a neighbourhood of $I^-$ necessarily has a Killing vector which is time-like in the interior and extends to a translation on $I^-$. 

Turning to the question of inheritance, for the first class of fields we show (theorem 6.1) that the only way a stationary symmetry can fail to be inherited in the class of spacetimes under consideration is if the (necessarily complex) scalar field has the form $f(x') e^{i\omega t}$ in terms of the comoving space-coordinates $x'$ and time $t$. This is periodic and the previous result can be applied to deduce that the symmetry is in fact inherited. For a complex conformal scalar field, the same argument can be used to show that there are no non-inheriting fields of this form but this is only a partial result as we cannot characterize the non-inheriting fields in the same way.

The plan of the paper is as follows: in section 2 we review the Einstein-massless-KG equations and show how to formulate the conformal Einstein-massless-KG equations, by which we mean the equations formulated for an unphysical, rescaled metric which correspond to the physical Einstein-massless-KG equations. This enables the equations to be extended to $I$. In section 3, we do the same thing for the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations, using the conserved energy–momentum tensor proposed in [14] (see also [7]). This energy–momentum tensor does not satisfy the dominant energy condition, but we give some arguments why it might nonetheless lead to positive total energy. In section 4, we give expressions for the Bondi mass and Bondi mass-loss for both classes of scalar-field sources. The Bondi mass-loss for the conformal scalar field is not manifestly positive (at $I^+$) but in the periodic case the average over a period is. In section 5, we recall the coordinate and null-tetrad system used in [4]
and prove theorems 5.2 and 5.3 to show that in this setting, periodic solutions are actually stationary. The proof is much as in [4]: one shows inductively that all radial derivatives of all metric components at $I^-$ are $v$-independent so $K = \partial / \partial v$ is a Killing vector. In section 6, we discuss inheritance and prove theorem 6.1 to show that stationarity is necessarily inherited in an analytic, weakly asymptotically flat, Einstein-massless-KG solution.

In order to be able to follow clearly the arguments in the main text, in appendix A we review all Newman–Penrose equations for a general source: that is, the commutation relations of the NP operators, and the Ricci and Bianchi identities. In appendix B the conformally rescaled scalar wave equations and conformal Bianchi identities for the massless scalar field are written down in an unphysical space in manifestly regular form. The regular conformal Bianchi identities for conformally invariant scalar fields follow in fact from the conformal Bianchi identities for any matter field for which the Ricci spinor behaves as $O(\Omega^2)$ at $I$. The projections of the Bianchi identities are given in section B.4 of appendix B. The asymptotic form of the solutions of the Einstein-massless-scalar-field equations at future null infinity $I^+$ is discussed in appendix C; this is used in section 4 in the derivation of the Bondi mass and the mass-loss formula for both massless KG field and conformal-scalar field. Finally, in appendix D we give some examples of exact solutions of the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations and discuss the possible presence of singularities.

2. The massless KG field

2.1. Basic relations

First we investigate the complex scalar field which satisfies the massless KG equation in the physical spacetime:

$$\Box \tilde{\phi} = 0.$$  \hspace{1cm} (1)

We shall consistently use the tilde to indicate quantities in the physical spacetime, untilded quantities referring to the rescaled, unphysical spacetime. The energy–momentum tensor whose conservation is implied by this equation is

$$\tilde{T}_{ab} = \frac{1}{4\pi} [2(\tilde{\nabla}_a \tilde{\phi})(\tilde{\nabla}_b \tilde{\phi}) - \tilde{g}_{ab} \tilde{g}^{cd}(\tilde{\nabla}_c \tilde{\phi})(\tilde{\nabla}_d \tilde{\phi})].$$  \hspace{1cm} (2)

First we have to determine the conformal behaviour of the scalar field. Since wave equation (1) is not conformally invariant, there is a priori no preferred choice. However, since near $I^-(\tilde{r} \to \infty)$ the radiative part of the field behaves as

$$\tilde{\phi} \sim \frac{1}{\tilde{r}},$$  \hspace{1cm} (3)

and we wish to have a non-vanishing regular unphysical field on $I^-$, we define

$$\phi = \Omega \phi.$$  \hspace{1cm} (4)

In the following, we employ the notation

$$\tilde{\varphi}_{AA} = \nabla_{AA'} \tilde{\phi}, \quad \varphi_{AA'} = \nabla_{AA'} \phi, \quad s_{AA'} = \nabla_{AA'} \Omega,$$

and using the NP formalism we denote the components of the fields $s_a$ and $\varphi_a$ by the special symbols:

$$D \Omega = s_{00} = S_0, \quad \delta \Omega = s_{01'} = S_1, \quad \delta \Omega = s_{10} = S_1, \quad \Delta \Omega = s_{11'} = S_2,$$

$$D\phi = \varphi_{00'} = \varphi_0, \quad \delta \phi = \varphi_{01'} = \varphi_1, \quad \delta \phi = \varphi_{10'} = \varphi_1, \quad \Delta \phi = \varphi_{11'} = \varphi_2,$$

and correspondingly with tildes in the physical spacetime.

4 The explicit expressions for the NP tetrad, the corresponding spin basis, the NP operators, etc. in the coordinate system $(v, r, \theta, \phi)$ used in the following are introduced in section 3 and appendix A of paper I and repeated in section 5.
In this notation, the spinor form of Einstein’s equations in the physical spacetime is
\[ \Phi_{A'B'} = 2 \bar{\phi}(A \bar{\phi} B)', \]
\[ 6 \bar{\lambda} = -\bar{\phi} e \bar{\phi} ', \quad (7) \]
the components of the Ricci spinor with respect to the spin basis are
\[ \bar{\Phi}_{00} = 2 \bar{\phi} 0 \bar{\phi} 0, \]
\[ \bar{\Phi}_{01} = 2 \bar{\phi} 0 \bar{\phi} 1, \]
\[ \bar{\Phi}_{02} = 2 \bar{\phi} 1 \bar{\phi} 1, \]
\[ \bar{\Phi}_{11} = \bar{\phi} 0 \bar{\phi} 2 + \bar{\phi} 1 \bar{\phi} 1, \]
\[ \bar{\Phi}_{12} = 2 \bar{\phi} 1 \bar{\phi} 2, \]
\[ \bar{\Phi}_{22} = 2 \bar{\phi} 2 \bar{\phi} 2, \quad (8) \]
and the scalar curvature is
\[ \bar{\lambda} = \frac{1}{3} [-\bar{\phi} 0 \bar{\phi} 2 + \bar{\phi} 1 \bar{\phi} 1]. \quad (9) \]

2.2. The conformal Einstein-massless-KG equations

In this subsection, we find a system of equations regular at \( I \) for all unphysical quantities. This system, by analogy with Friedrich’s ‘conformal Einstein equations’ [9], we shall call the ‘conformal Einstein-massless-KG equations’.

In [4] we derived the physical Bianchi identities expressed in terms of the unphysical quantities as
\[ \Omega^2 \nabla^D \psi_{ABCD} = \Omega \nabla^B \Phi_{AB} + s^B \Phi_{AB} + \nabla^B \nabla_{A} \psi_{B} \quad (10) \]
where \( s_{AB} \) is given by (5), \( \Phi_{AB} \) is the Ricci spinor and \( \psi_{ABCD} = \Omega^{-1} \psi_{ABCD} \) is the rescaled Weyl spinor (see equation (6) in paper I). Using the rule for the conformal transformation of the Ricci spinor,
\[ \nabla_{A} \psi_{(A'B')B} = \Omega \Phi_{AB} + \Omega \Phi_{AB}, \quad (11) \]
we find
\[ \nabla^D \psi_{ABCD} = \Omega^{-2} s^B \Phi_{AB} + \Omega^{-1} \nabla^B \Phi_{AB} \quad (12) \]
The right-hand side of this equation is not manifestly regular on \( I \), while the left-hand side is regular by assumption of asymptotic flatness.

Next we express the physical Ricci spinor via the unphysical quantities,
\[ \Phi_{AB} = 2 \Omega^2 \psi_{(A'B')} + 2 \Omega \Phi_{AB} + 2 \Omega \Phi_{AB} \psi_{(A'B')}, \quad (13) \]
and insert this expression into (12).

In order to simplify the resulting equations, we introduce the following notation: let \( X_a, Y_a \) and \( Z_a \) be the arbitrary vector fields and define
\[ (XYZ) = X^{B'} Y_{A'} Z_{B'} B'. \quad (14) \]
The expression \((XYZ)\) is obviously symmetric in \( YZ \). It is straightforward to derive the relation
\[ (XYZ) + (ZXY) + (YZX) = 0, \quad (15) \]
with the special case \((XXX) = 0\).
After inserting the Ricci spinor (13) into the Bianchi identities (12), we arrive at
\[
\nabla^D_A \psi_{ABCD} = 2 \Omega^{-1} (2 \phi (s \psi s) + 2 \phi (\bar{\psi} s) + \phi (\bar{\psi} s) + \phi (\bar{\psi} \psi) + 2 \phi (\nabla \bar{\psi} s) + 2 \phi (\nabla \bar{\psi} \psi) + \Omega (\nabla \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi})).
\]
(16)
This can be simplified using identity (15):
\[
\nabla^D_A \psi_{ABCD} = 2 \phi \phi \Omega^{-1} (\nabla s s) + 2 \Omega (\nabla \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}) + 4 (s \psi \bar{\psi}) + 2 \phi (\nabla s \bar{\psi}) + 2 \phi (\nabla s \bar{\psi}) + 2 \phi (\nabla s \bar{\psi}),
\]
where, e.g., \( (\nabla s s) = \nabla^C_{\psi} (\psi_{\psi\psi}; B) \), so \( \nabla \) acts on both \( \psi \) and \( s \). The last equation is still formally singular on \( \mathcal{I}^- \) because of the factor \( \Omega^{-1} \), but using (11) we finally obtain
\[
\nabla^D_A \psi_{ABCD} = 2 \phi \phi \phi \Omega^{-1} s^B \phi_{ABA'B'} + 4 (s \psi \bar{\psi}) + 2 \phi (\nabla s \bar{\psi}) + 2 \phi (\nabla s \bar{\psi}) + 2 \phi (\nabla s \bar{\psi})
\]
\[
+ 4 \Omega \left[ \frac{1}{4} (\nabla \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}) - \phi \phi^2 (s \psi s) - \phi \phi^2 (s \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}) \right] - 4 \Omega^2 \phi \tilde{\phi} (s \psi \bar{\psi}),
\]
which is manifestly smooth at \( \mathcal{I} \).

Next we wish to derive equations for the conformal factor. The commutator of covariant derivatives annihilates scalars, so contracting \( \nabla_A \nabla_B \Omega = 0 \) with \( \epsilon^{AB'} \) gives the relation
\[

abla_A (s^B) = 0.
\]
(19)
By decomposing \( \nabla_A s^B \) into its symmetric and antisymmetric parts and using the above equation, we obtain
\[
\nabla_{AB'} s^B = \nabla_{(AB')} s^{(B')} + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{AB} \epsilon_{B'C} \Box \Omega.
\]
(20)
The first term on the rhs is given by (11). We now define the quantity (cf equation (15) in paper I)
\[
F = \frac{1}{2} \Omega^{-1} s^a s_b s_a s_b,
\]
(21)
which is regular on \( \mathcal{I} \). The rule for the conformal transformation of the scalar curvature can be written in the form (equation (16) in paper I)
\[
\Box \Omega = 4 \Omega \Lambda - 4 \Omega^{-1} \bar{\Lambda} + 4 F.
\]
(22)
We thus have found an expression for the second derivatives of the conformal factor \( \Omega \):
\[
\nabla_{AB'} s^B = \Omega \Phi_{ABA'B'} - \Omega \Phi_{ABA'B'} + \epsilon_{AB} \epsilon_{A'B'} \Omega \Lambda - \Omega^{-1} \bar{\Lambda} + F.
\]
(23)
The last expression contains a term \( \Omega^{-1} \bar{\Lambda} \) which again seems to be singular on \( \mathcal{I} \). This is not the case, however, since by (7), (4) and (21) we have
\[
\bar{\Lambda} = - \frac{1}{6} \Omega^3 \Phi_{\psi \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}} + \Phi_{\psi \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi} \bar{\psi}} + 2 \phi \tilde{\phi} F.
\]
(24)
The physical scalar curvature is therefore manifestly at least \( O(\Omega^3) \).

The projections of the last equation are written down explicitly in appendix B, equations (B.6)–(B.15). Now we wish to derive equations governing the quantity \( F \). The contracted Ricci identities read
\[
\nabla_A \Box \Omega - \nabla_A \nabla_B s^B = R^D_{\alpha} s_D. \]
(25)
Using the spinor decomposition of the Ricci tensor
\[
R^D_{\alpha} = -2 \Phi_{ABA'B'} + 6 \Lambda \epsilon_{AB} \epsilon_{A'B'},
\]
(26)
and expression (23), we find after some arrangements
\[
\nabla_{AA'} F = \frac{1}{2} \Omega^1 \Phi_{BB'} \Phi_{ABA'B'} + \frac{1}{2} s^{BB'} \Phi_{ABA'B'} - s^{BB'} \Phi_{ABA'B'}
\]
\[
+ \Lambda s_{AA'} - \Omega^{-2} \bar{\Lambda} s_{AA'} + \Omega^{-1} \nabla_{AA'} \bar{\Lambda}.
\]
(27)
The first term on the rhs can be rewritten as
\[
\nabla_{BB'} \Phi_{ABA'B'} = \Omega^{-2} \tilde{\nabla}_{BB'} \Phi_{ABA'B'} + 2 \Omega^{-1} \Phi_{ABA'B'} s_{BB'}. \]
(28)
Now we employ the contracted physical Bianchi identities $\nabla_{A'} F = s_{B'}^{B} \Phi_{A'B'B'}' - s_{B'}^{B} \Phi_{A'B'B'}' + (\Lambda - \Omega^{-2} \Lambda) s_{A'A'}.$

The projections of this equation can be found in appendix B, equations (B.17)–(B.19).

Finally we derive conformal equations for the field $\phi_{A'A'}$. The expression $(\Box + 4\Lambda)\phi$ is conformally invariant with the conformal weight 3, so

$$\Box \phi = -4(\Lambda - \Omega^{-2} \Lambda) \phi,$$

where we used wave equation (1) in the physical spacetime. The symmetric part of $\nabla_{A'} \phi_{B'A'}$ is zero and we find

$$\nabla_{A'} \phi_{B'A'} = -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{AB} \Box \phi.$$  

Combining the last two equations we arrive at

$$\nabla_{A'} \phi_{B'A'} = 2(\Lambda - \Omega^{-2} \Lambda) \phi \epsilon_{AB}.$$  

2.3. Potentials

The massless KG equation (1) can be generalized to include self-interactions of the scalar field by adding a potential term to the energy–momentum tensor (2),

$$\tilde{T}_{ab} \mapsto \tilde{T}_{ab} + \frac{1}{4\pi} \tilde{g}_{ab} V(\tilde{\phi}, \tilde{\bar{\phi}}),$$

so that the field equation acquires the form

$$\Box \tilde{\phi} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \tilde{\phi}} = 0.$$  

Since the potential term in the energy–momentum tensor is proportional to the metric, it will contribute to the scalar curvature $\Lambda$, but not to the trace-free Ricci spinor. The new form of Einstein’s equations (7) is therefore

$$\Phi_{A'B'B'}' = 2\tilde{\phi}_{(A'A'} \tilde{\phi}_{B'B)}', \quad 6\Lambda = -\tilde{\phi}_{c} \tilde{\phi}_{c}^{c} + 2V.$$  

For our proof we require $\phi = \Omega^{-1} \bar{\phi}$ and $\Omega^{-3} \Lambda$ to be regular on $\mathcal{I}^{-}$, cf (4), (29) and (24). From (34) we can see that this will be satisfied, if $\Omega^{-3} V$ is regular on $\mathcal{I}^{-}$. In this case the proof works without change. An example is massless $\phi^{4}$-theory, where $V = (\tilde{\phi} \tilde{\bar{\phi}})^{2} = \mathcal{O}(\Omega^{4})$.

If there is a mass term $m^{2}\tilde{\phi} \tilde{\bar{\phi}}$ in $V$, the asymptotic behaviour of the unphysical field changes to

$$\phi = \mathcal{O}(e^{-m\tilde{r}}),$$

so

$$\Omega^{-3} m^{2} \tilde{\phi} \tilde{\bar{\phi}} \sim m^{2} \tilde{r} e^{-2m\tilde{r}},$$

which is regular. The field $\phi$ is now not analytic at $\mathcal{I}^{-}$, so our argument does not apply to this case, which is the class including the boson stars of [5]. Note, however, that in general the asymptotic behaviour of massive fields at $\mathcal{I}$ is a subtle question which appears to be carefully analysed only at the level of linearized theory [17].
3. The conformal-scalar field

3.1. Basic relations

Consider now the conformal-scalar field, by which we mean a scalar field satisfying the equation

\[(\tilde\Box + \frac{1}{6}\tilde R)\tilde\phi \equiv (\Box + 4\Lambda)\phi = 0.\]  

(35)

This is conformally invariant if \(\phi\) transforms as (4), i.e. \(\tilde\phi = \Omega\phi\). For simplicity we assume the field \(\phi\) to be real, but the procedure is easily generalized to complex \(\phi\). The energy–momentum tensor conserved due to equation (35) is (see [7, 14] or [15], Volume II, p 125)

\[\tilde T_{ab} = \frac{1}{4\pi}[2\tilde\nabla_{A}(\tilde\phi B)_{B} - \tilde\phi \tilde\nabla_{A}(\tilde\phi B)_{B} + \tilde\phi^2 \tilde\Phi_{AB}].\]  

(36)

Furthermore, this energy–momentum tensor also has good conformal behaviour rescaling as \(\tilde T_{ab} = \Omega^2 T_{ab}\), but it will not satisfy any of the usual energy conditions. We shall return to this point. We take Einstein's equations to be, as usual,

\[\tilde\Phi_{ab} + 3\tilde\Lambda g_{ab} = 4\pi\tilde T_{ab};\]  

then we can solve to find

\[\tilde\Phi_{AB} = (1 - \tilde\phi^2)^{-1}[2\tilde\nabla_{A}(\tilde\phi B)_{B} - \tilde\phi \tilde\nabla_{A}(\tilde\phi B)_{B}],\]  

(37)

These equations are singular when \(\tilde\phi^2 = 1\) but there are known solutions which avoid this singularity [2, 3] (for explicit examples, see appendix D) and it is known that there is a well-posed initial-value problem [11] which with suitable data extends to \(I^+\). We shall therefore assume that we have an asymptotically flat solution, periodic in time, with \(\tilde\phi\) tending to zero at infinity, so that \(\tilde\phi^2 < 1\) everywhere.

In the absence of the dominant energy condition, it is not clear that any version of the positive mass theorem holds but there is some reason to expect a positive global energy. To see this, integrate the energy density over an asymptotically flat maximal space-like hypersurface \(\Sigma\) (assuming for the moment that one exists) with normal \(N\).

\[\tilde T_{ab} = \frac{1}{4\pi}\frac{1}{1 - \tilde\phi^2}[2\tilde\nabla_{A}(\tilde\phi B)_{B} - \tilde\phi \tilde\nabla_{A}(\tilde\phi B)_{B}].\]  

(38)

Then a measure of total energy at \(\Sigma\) is

\[E = \int \tilde T_{ab}N^aN^b d\Sigma = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \frac{1}{1 - \tilde\phi^2} \left[(N^a\tilde\phi_a)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \tilde g^{ab}\tilde\phi_a\tilde\phi_b - \tilde\phi N^aN^b\tilde\nabla_a\tilde\nabla_b \tilde\phi\right] d\Sigma.\]  

(39)

Now,

\[N^aN^b\tilde\nabla_a\tilde\phi_b = (h^{ab} + \tilde g^{ab})\tilde\nabla_a\tilde\phi_b = h^{ij}\tilde\nabla_i\tilde\phi_j = h^{ij}D_i\tilde\phi_j + (N^a\tilde\phi_a)K,\]

where \(D_i\) is the derivative operator associated with the three-dimensional metric \(h_{ij}\) induced on \(\Sigma\), \(K\) is the trace of the extrinsic curvature which vanishes for a maximal surface, and we have used \(\tilde\nabla^2 = 0\).

Note also

\[\tilde g^{ab}\tilde\phi_a\tilde\phi_b = (N^a\tilde\phi_a)^2 - h^{ij}\tilde\phi_i\tilde\phi_j.\]
and integrate by parts in (39) to find

\[
E = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int d\Sigma (1 - \phi^2)^{-1} \left[ \frac{3}{2} (\Lambda' \phi_{\alpha})^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\phi^2}{\phi} h^{ij} \hat{\phi}_i \hat{\phi}_j \right],
\]

which is manifestly non-negative. Thus, on a maximal surface the global energy is positive without local positivity. Positive energy also holds for hyperplanes in Minkowski space with \( T_{\alpha\beta} \) as in (36) and we shall see something similar below, namely that, while the Bondi mass-loss is not necessarily positive at any particular cut, nonetheless the mass-loss integrated over a period in a periodic spacetime is non-negative.

The Ricci spinor written in terms of unphysical quantities reads

\[
(1 - \Omega^2 \phi^2) \Phi_{ABA'B'} = 2 \Omega^2 \phi_{(A'A')B'B} - \Omega^2 \phi \nabla_{(A'A')B'B} - \Omega \phi^2 \nabla_{(A'A') (B'B)}.
\]

(40)

Let us define the ‘rescaled Ricci spinor’

\[
\phi_{ABA'B'} = \Omega^{-2} \tilde{\Phi}_{ABA'B'},
\]

(41)

which should be distinguished from the unphysical Ricci spinor. Substituting the rule for the conformal transformation of the covariant expression for the rescaled Ricci spinor:

\[
\phi_{ABA'B'} = 2 \phi_{(A'A')B'B} - \phi \nabla_{(A'A')B'B} + \phi^2 \phi_{ABA'B'}.
\]

(42)

This spinor is regular on \( \Sigma' \). Note that we do not write the tilde over \( \phi_{ABA'B'} \) (as we wrote over \( \Phi_{ABA'B'} \) in (7)), since we expect that the physical Ricci spinor has already been expressed in terms of the unphysical quantities and the following relations become simpler. The components of \( \phi_{ABA'B'} \) with respect to the spin basis are

\[
\begin{align*}
\phi_{00} &= 2 \phi_0^2 - \phi (\rho_0 - (\epsilon + \delta) \phi_0 - \Phi_0 + \kappa \phi_1 + \kappa \phi_1) + \phi^2 \Phi_{00}, \\
\phi_{01} &= 2 \phi_0 \phi_1 - \frac{1}{2} \phi (\rho_1 + \delta \phi_0 - (\Phi + \beta - \Phi) \phi_0 + \kappa \phi_2 + (\tilde{\rho} - \epsilon + \delta) \phi_1 + \sigma \phi_1) + \phi^2 \Phi_{01}, \\
\phi_{02} &= 2 \phi_1^2 - \phi (\delta \phi_1 - \Phi_0 + \sigma \phi_2 + (\Phi - \beta) \phi_1) + \phi^2 \Phi_{02}, \\
\phi_{12} &= 2 \phi_1 \phi_2 - \frac{1}{2} \phi (\Delta \phi_1 + \delta \phi_2 - \Phi_0 + (\beta + \sigma + \Phi) \phi_2 + (\gamma - \mu - \beta) \phi_1 - \tilde{\lambda} \phi_1) + \phi^2 \Phi_{12}, \\
\phi_{22} &= 2 \phi_2^2 - \phi (\Delta \phi_2 + (\gamma + \tilde{\rho}) \phi_2 - \Phi_0 - \nu \phi_1) + \phi^2 \Phi_{22}, \\
\phi_{11} &= \phi_0 \phi_2 + \phi_1 \phi_1 - \frac{1}{2} \phi (\rho_2 + \Delta \phi_0 + \delta \phi_1 + \Phi_0 - (\gamma + \tilde{\rho} + \mu + \tilde{\lambda}) \phi_0) - \frac{1}{2} \phi (\rho_0 + \Delta \phi_1 + \delta \phi_1 - (\epsilon + \delta + \Phi) \phi_0 + (\tau - \alpha + \beta - \Phi) \phi_1) + \phi^2 \Phi_{11}.
\end{align*}
\]

(43)

\[3.2.\text{ The conformal Einstein-conformal-scalar equations}\]

Now, as in subsection 2.2, we obtain a system of conformal Einstein equations, regular in the unphysical, rescaled spacetime and equivalent to the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations.

In order to derive the conformal Bianchi identities for the conformal-scalar field we return to the general physical Bianchi identities (12). Using the rescaled Ricci spinor instead of \( \Phi_{ABA'B'} \) the Bianchi identities become

\[
\nabla_A^D \psi_{ABCD} = 3 s^E_{[C} \phi_{ABA'B'} + \Omega \nabla_{(C} \phi_{ABA'B'}. \]

(44)

Projections of these equations on the spin basis can be found in appendix B, equations (B.51)–(B.58).

Next we turn to the contracted Bianchi identities in the physical spacetime

\[
\nabla_{AB}^B \phi_{ABA'B'} = -3 \nabla_{AA'} \Lambda',
\]

(45)

where \( \Lambda = 0 \) by (37). Following the rules for the conformal transformation of the covariant derivative we find that the left-hand side transforms like

\[
\hat{\nabla}_{AB}^B \phi_{ABA'B'} = \Omega^2 \nabla_{AB}^B \phi_{ABA'B'} - 2 \Omega s_{BB'} \phi_{ABA'B'}.
\]

(46)
or, using (41),
\[ \tilde{\nabla}^{BB} \tilde{\Phi}_{ABA'B'} = \Omega^4 \tilde{\nabla}^{BB} \Phi_{ABA'B'}. \]  
(47)
and thus the contracted Bianchi identities have a simple form, just as in the physical spacetime:
\[ \nabla^{BB} \Phi_{ABA'B'} = 0. \]  
(48)
Projections of these equations on the spin basis can be obtained from the Bianchi identities (A.8a)–(A.8c) by deleting terms containing $\Lambda$ and replacing $\Phi_{mn} \mapsto \phi_{mn}$.

4. Bondi mass

One of the necessary ingredients in this work is to find restrictions which the assumption of periodicity imposes on the Bondi mass. As long as the Bondi mass $M_B(u)$ on $I^+$ is a non-increasing function of the retarded time $u$, it can be periodic only if it is constant. In [4] we used the well-known formula for the Bondi mass of an electrovacuum spacetime\(^5\),
\[ M_B(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \oint dS (\Psi^0_0 + \sigma^0 \tilde{\sigma}^0), \]  
(49)
when its time decrease is given by the ‘mass-loss’ formula
\[ \dot{M}_B(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \oint dS (\dot{\sigma}^0 \tilde{\dot{\sigma}}^0 + \phi^0 \tilde{\phi}^0). \]  
(50)
This expression is manifestly non-positive. To achieve periodicity of the Bondi mass we thus had to set $\dot{\sigma}^0 = 0$ and $\phi^0 = 0$. The loss of the Bondi mass due to the gravitational radiation is described by the news function $-\dot{\sigma}^0$ and the electromagnetic contribution by the quantity $\phi^0_2$. Periodicity thus requires the absence of both gravitational and electromagnetic radiation.

In order to repeat this reasoning in the case of spacetimes with scalar fields, we need the appropriate formula for Bondi mass-loss. The gravitational contribution will again be expressed by the news function and there will be a contribution from the matter. The energy flux due to the matter is described by the energy–momentum tensor $T_{ab}$ (omitting tildes for clarity, in this subsection only). If we write, using the NP formalism,
\[ T_{ab} = A l_a l_b + B n_a l_b + C n_a n_b + \cdots, \]  
(51)
then the component $A = T_{ab} n^a n^b$ is the energy radiated out of $I^+$ (recall that $n^a$ is tangential to $I^+$, and $l^a$ points into the spacetime towards $I^-$). In terms of the Ricci spinor NP component, we get
\[ T_{ab} n^a n^b \propto \Phi_{22}. \]  
(52)
For the complex scalar field $\phi$, $\Phi_{22} \propto \dot{\phi} \bar{\phi}$, where dot means the derivative with respect to $u$.

For the scalar field we thus expect
\[ M_B(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \oint [\dot{\phi}^0 \tilde{\dot{\phi}}^0 + k \phi^0 \tilde{\phi}^0] dS, \]  
(53)
where $k$ is a positive constant factor and $\phi^0$ is the radiative part of the scalar field, i.e. $\phi = \phi^0 r^{-1} + O(r^{-2})$. We shall now calculate the Bondi mass for the scalar field which will imply the exact formula for the mass-loss.

\(^5\) In fact, in [4] we constructed the proof—and the same will be done here—at $I^-$ where the Bondi mass is non-decreasing but it is straightforward to get one from the other. Since it is more common to work at $I^+$, in this section we discuss the Bondi mass there.
4.1. Massless KG field

To compute the Bondi mass we use a method based on the asymptotic twistor equation as described in [16]. More details can be found in [12] or [15]. In this approach we have to find the asymptotic solution of the Einstein-massless-KG equations in the neighbourhood of $\mathcal{I}^+$ (in the physical spacetime). We give enough of this for our present purposes in appendix C.

The Bondi mass is then given by the coefficient $\mu(2)$, which is the $\mathcal{O}(1)$ term in the expansion of the spin coefficient $\mu$. This term is given by (C.5) and reads

$$
\mu(2) = -\partial \partial \sigma(0) - \Psi_2(0) - 2 \Lambda(0) - \sigma(0) \dot{\sigma}(0).
$$

Since the term $\partial \partial \sigma(0)$ vanishes on integration, we find the Bondi mass to be (with the normalization used in paper I)

$$
MB(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int dS[\Psi_2(0) + 2 \Lambda(0) + \sigma(0) \dot{\sigma}(0)].
$$

Using the expansion of $\Lambda$ given by (C.6) leads to the final expression

$$
MB(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int dS \left[ \Psi_2(0) + \frac{1}{3} \partial_u (\sigma(0) \dot{\sigma}(0)) + \sigma(0) \dot{\sigma}(0) \right].
$$

To find the time derivative of the Bondi mass we use the leading term in the Bianchi identity (A.7c):

$$
\Psi_2(0) + 2 \Lambda(0) = \partial \Psi_3(0) + \Phi_{22} + \sigma(0) \Psi_4(0).
$$

The term $\partial \Psi_3(0)$ vanishes on integration. By (C.6) we have $\Psi_4(0) = -\dot{\sigma}(0)$. The leading term of $\Phi_{22}$ is found from (8) to be $\Phi_{22} = 2 \phi(0) \dot{\phi}(0)$, and the mass-loss formula thus acquires the form

$$
MB(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int dS \left[ \dot{\sigma}(0) \dot{\phi}(0) + 2 \phi(0) \dot{\phi}(0) \right].
$$

This expression is manifestly non-positive. If we demand the spacetime to be periodic, the Bondi mass must be constant, i.e.

$$
\dot{\sigma}(0) = \dot{\phi}(0) = 0.
$$

4.2. Conformal-scalar field

The same calculation can be repeated with minor changes in the case of the conformal-scalar field. Now we obtain the following expressions for the Bondi mass and its ‘loss’:

$$
MB(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int dS \left[ \Psi_2(0) + \sigma(0) \dot{\phi}(0) \right],
$$

$$
MB(u) = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int dS \left[ \sigma(0) \dot{\phi}(0) + 3 \phi(0) \dot{\phi}(0) \right].
$$

Now the formula for the rate of change of the Bondi mass is not manifestly non-positive, so it can apparently increase as well as decrease. This seems to be a consequence of the fact that the energy–momentum tensor (36) does not obey the energy condition $T_{ab}l^a n^b \geq 0$ for the arbitrary future null vectors $l^a$ and $n^a$.

However, if the Bondi mass is supposed to be periodic, its overall change $\Delta MB$ during the one period $T$ is non-positive. Indeed,

$$
\Delta MB = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_\omega^{\omega+T} du \int dS [\dot{\sigma}(0) \dot{\phi}(0) + 3 \phi(0) \dot{\phi}(0)] + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int dS [\phi(0) \dot{\phi}(0)]_{\omega+T}^{\omega+T},
$$
where we have integrated the term containing $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \phi^{(0)}$ by parts. The second term in (59) vanishes because of periodicity and we arrive at a manifestly non-positive expression for the loss of mass during one period. Such an expression can be periodic only if it is constant, so we again obtain the condition
$$\dot{\sigma}^{(0)} = \dot{\phi}^{(0)} = 0.$$ 

5. Periodic solutions are necessarily stationary: proof of the theorems

5.1. The massless KG field

In this section we prove that all periodic, asymptotically flat Einstein-massless-KG spacetimes, analytic near $I^-$ in the coordinates we shall introduce, are necessarily stationary. First we set up a coordinate system, choose the null tetrad and fix the conformal gauge as in paper I, and the justification for the assertions below is given there. The coordinates are denoted as $x^\mu = (v, r, \theta, \phi)$. Here $v$ is the affine parameter along the generators of $I^-$ and has the meaning of the advanced time. The coordinate $r$ is an affine parameter along the null geodesics ingoing from $I^-$ with the property $\Omega = r + O(r^2)$, and $(\theta, \phi)$ are the standard spherical coordinates on the unit sphere. The NP operators $D, \Delta$ and $\delta$ representing derivatives in the directions of the vectors $l, n$ and $m$ (constituting the null tetrad) can be expressed in the coordinates $x^\mu$ in the following way:

$$D = \partial_v - H \partial_r + C^l \partial_l,$$
$$\Delta = \partial_r,$$
$$\delta = P^l \partial_l. \quad (60)$$

The metric functions $H, C^l$ and $P^l$ are governed by the frame equations

$$\Delta H = - (\varepsilon + \bar{\varepsilon}), \quad (61)$$
$$\delta H = - \kappa, \quad (62)$$
$$\Delta C^l = - 2 \pi P^l - 2 \bar{\pi} \bar{P}^l, \quad (63)$$
$$\delta P^l - \delta \bar{P}^l = (\alpha - \bar{\beta}) P^l - (\bar{\alpha} - \beta) \bar{P}^l, \quad (64)$$
$$\Delta P^l = -(\mu - \gamma + \bar{\gamma}) P^l - \bar{\lambda} \bar{P}^l, \quad (65)$$
$$\delta C^l - D P^l = -(\rho + \bar{\varepsilon} - \bar{\varepsilon}) P^l - \sigma P^l, \quad (66)$$

which can be understood as determining the nonzero spin coefficients. We choose

$$p^2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad p^3 = \frac{i}{\sqrt{2} \sin \theta} \quad \text{on} \quad I^-. \quad (67)$$

The metric functions $H$ and $C^l$ vanish on $I^-$ by construction, so the operator $D$ reduces to $\partial_v$ there, and we have

$$H = C^l = 0, \quad D P^l = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad I^- . \quad (68)$$

As a consequence of the choice of the coordinates and the tetrad, we have

$$\rho - \bar{\rho} = \mu - \bar{\mu} = v = \pi - \alpha - \bar{\beta} = \bar{\epsilon} - \beta - \bar{\alpha} = 0, \quad \text{everywhere,}$$
$$\alpha = - \beta = - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2} \cot \theta}, \quad \kappa = 0, \quad \text{on} \quad I^- . \quad (69)$$
Exploiting the tetrad gauge freedom corresponding to the rotation of \((m, \bar{m})\) we achieve
\[ \gamma = 0 \quad \text{everywhere}, \quad \varepsilon = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^-. \] (70)
Using the conformal gauge freedom we set
\[ \mu = 0 \quad \text{everywhere}. \] (71)
Recall from (24) that the physical scalar curvature is \(O(\Omega^3)\). Equations (B.6)–(B.15) for the conformal factor then reveal that on \(I^-\)
\[ F = \rho = \sigma = \pi = \bar{\tau} = 0, \]
\[ \Delta S_0 = \Delta S_1 = \Delta S_2 = DS_2 = 0. \] (72)
Equations (B.17) and (B.18) for derivatives of \(F\) imply
\[ \Phi_{00} = \Phi_{01} = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^-. \] (73)
We saw in the previous section that the periodicity of the solution requires the constancy of the Bondi mass. This is expressed by the relations
\[ \psi_0 = \Delta \Psi_0 = 0, \quad \varphi_0 = D\phi = 0, \quad \text{on} \ I^- . \] (74)
These equations also imply \(D\psi_1 = D\psi_1 = 0\) on \(I^-\), as can be seen from (B.2) and (A.1).
First we prove that, assuming periodicity, all NP quantities are time-independent on \(I^-\), i.e. independent of \(v\). This follows immediately from the choices made above for all spin coefficients except for \(\lambda\). The Ricci identity (A.5g) and Bianchi identity (A.7a) show
\[ D\lambda = \Phi_{20}, \quad D\Phi_{02} = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^- , \] (75)
and therefore
\[ D^2 \lambda = 0. \] (76)
By the same argument as in [10] and [4], we conclude
\[ D\lambda = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^- , \] (77)
since equation (76) has a polynomial solution in \(v\), but \(\lambda\) can be periodic only if it is constant. Equation (75) then gives
\[ \Phi_{20} = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^- . \] (78)
The conformal Bianchi identities (B.24), (B.26), (B.28) and (B.30) on \(I^-\) simplify to
\[ D\psi_1 = 0, \]
\[ D\psi_2 - \bar{\delta}\psi_1 = -2\alpha \psi_1, \]
\[ D\psi_3 - \bar{\delta}\psi_2 = -2\lambda \psi_2 + \frac{1}{2}(\phi D\psi_1 + \bar{\phi} D\psi_1), \]
\[ D\psi_4 - \bar{\delta}\psi_3 = -3\lambda \psi_3 + 2\alpha(\psi_3 + \phi\psi_1 + \bar{\phi}\bar{\psi}_1) - 4\psi_1 \bar{\psi}_1 + \bar{\phi} \bar{\delta}\psi_1 + \phi \delta\bar{\psi}_1. \] (79)
Applying \(D\) to these equations, we immediately see that
\[ D^n \psi_n = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^- \] (80)
for all \(n\). By periodicity
\[ D\psi_n = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^- , \] (81)
so all components of the Weyl spinor are \(v\)-independent on \(I^-\). Because \(\psi_n = \Omega^{-1}\Psi_n\), we have
\[ D\Delta \Psi_n = 0 \quad \text{on} \ I^- . \] (82)
Finally, we investigate the behaviour of the remaining components of the Ricci tensor, i.e. $\Phi_{11}, \Phi_{12}, \Phi_{22}$ and $\Lambda$. The Ricci identity (A.5h) immediately shows
\[ \Lambda = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (83)
Since $\mu$ is identically zero not only on $\mathcal{I}^-$, but also in its neighbourhood, the Ricci identity (A.5k) on $\mathcal{I}^-$ reduces to
\[ \Phi_{22} = -\lambda \tilde{\lambda} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (84)
and therefore
\[ D\Phi_{22} = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (85)
Applying $D$ on the Ricci identity (A.5r) leads to
\[ D\Phi_{21} = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (86)
The spin coefficients $\alpha$ and $\beta$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$ are given by (69). Inserting these into the Ricci identity (A.5q) we find
\[ \Phi_{11} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- , \] (87)
so $\Phi_{11}$ is obviously $v$-independent on $\mathcal{I}^-$. We have already shown that $\varphi_1$ and $\varphi_\bar{1}$ are $v$-independent on $\mathcal{I}^-$. Equation (B.3) implies
\[ D\varphi_2 - \delta \varphi_\bar{1} = (\beta - \bar{\alpha}) \varphi_\bar{1} \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (88)
Applying $D$ and assuming periodicity of the scalar field we conclude
\[ D\varphi_2 = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (89)
Projections (B.4) and (B.5) of the wave equation and commutator (A.3) applied to $\phi$ reveal, after differentiating with $D$, that $D\Delta Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$, with
\[ Q \in \{ \varphi_0, \varphi_1, \varphi_\bar{1} \} . \]
To show the same for $\Delta \varphi_2$ we apply $D\Delta$ to (B.3) and obtain
\[ D^2 \Delta \varphi_2 + 2\phi D\Delta \Lambda = \varphi_1 D\Delta \pi - \varphi_2 D\Delta (\varepsilon + \bar{\varepsilon} - \rho) . \] (90)
From Ricci identities (A.5f), (A.5i), (A.5l)–(A.5o), we find that $D\Delta Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$ for
\[ Q \in \{ \rho, \pi, \alpha, \sigma, \varepsilon, \beta \} . \]
Applying $D\Delta$ to (A.5h) shows
\[ D\Delta \Lambda = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- , \]
and thus (90) implies $D^2 \Delta \varphi_2 = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$, so by periodicity
\[ D\Delta \varphi_2 = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^- . \] (91)
Thus, we have proved the lemma

**Lemma 5.1.** The following quantities vanish on $\mathcal{I}^-$:
\[ H, C_I, \rho, \sigma, \pi, \tau, \kappa, \varepsilon, S_0, S_1, F, \psi_0, \Phi_{00}, \Phi_{01}, \Phi_{02}, \Lambda, \varphi_0, \]
\[ DP_I, Du, D\beta, D\xi, DS_2, \Delta S_0, \Delta S_1, \Delta S_2, \]
\[ D\varphi_1, D\varphi_\bar{1}, D\varphi_2, D\Delta \varphi_0, D\Delta \varphi_1, D\Delta \varphi_2, \]
\[ D\psi_1, D\psi_2, D\psi_3, D\psi_4, D\Phi_{11}, D\Phi_{12}, D\Phi_{22} . \] (92)

Now we set up an induction, with inductive hypothesis.
Suppose that $D\Delta^j Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$ for $0 \leq j \leq k$ with

$$Q \in \{H, C^I, P^I, \epsilon, \rho, \sigma, \lambda, \pi, \tau, \kappa, \alpha, \beta, F, \psi_{\mu n}, \Phi_{mn}, \Lambda\},$$

and for $0 \leq j \leq k + 1$ with $Q \in \{S_m, \varphi_m\}$.

This holds for $k = 0$ by lemma 5.1, so we need to deduce it for $j = k + 1$ from its validity for $j \leq k$. Here we closely follow the procedure we used in [4]. Applying $D\Delta^k$ on (61) we find

$$D\Delta^{k+1} H = -D\Delta^k (\epsilon + \bar{\epsilon}),$$

where the rhs vanishes on $\mathcal{I}^-$ by the inductive hypothesis. By a similar argument we can deduce $D\Delta^{k+1} Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$:

- for $H, C^I$ and $P^I$ from (61), (63) and (65);
- for $\kappa, \varepsilon, \pi, \tau, \lambda, \beta, \sigma, \rho$ and $\alpha$ from (A.5c), (A.5f), (A.5i)–(A.5o);
- for $F$ from (B.19), taking $\Phi_{mn}$ from (8) and $\Lambda$ from (9) and (24);
- for $\Phi_{00}, \Phi_{20}, \Phi_{01}$ and $\Phi_{21}$ from (A.6b), (A.6d), (A.7b) and (A.7d);
- for $\Lambda, \Phi_{22}$ and $\Phi_{11}$ from (A.5h), (A.5k) and (A.5q);
- for $\psi_0, \psi_1, \psi_2$ and $\psi_3$ from (B.25), (B.27), (B.29) and (B.31).

Now, all quantities except for $\psi_4$ are proved to satisfy $D\Delta^{k+1} Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$. Applying $D\Delta^{k+1}$ on (B.7), (B.10), (B.14), (B.4), (B.5) and (A.3) shows $D\Delta^{k+2} Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$ for $Q \in \{S_0, S_1, S_2, \varphi_0, \psi_{1}, \psi_{1}\}$.

Ricci identities (A.5f), (A.5i), (A.5f)–(A.5o) and (A.5h) in this order imply $D\Delta^{k+2} Q = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$ for

$$Q \in \{\varepsilon, \pi, \beta, \sigma, \rho, \alpha, \Lambda\}.$$

Applying $D\Delta^{k+2}$ on (B.3) implies $D^2\Delta^{k+2} \varphi_2 = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$ and using periodicity we obtain $D\Delta^{k+2} \varphi_2 = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$.

Finally, acting by $D\Delta^{k+1}$ on (B.30) we find $D^2\Delta^{k+1} \psi_4 = 0$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$, and therefore, by periodicity,

$$D\Delta^{k+1} \psi_4 = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^-.$$

This completes the induction.

We have thus proved that all variables are $\nu$-independent on $\mathcal{I}^-$ and, assuming analyticity in $r$, in a finite neighbourhood. Since our set of variables also includes the functions $H, C^I$ and $P^I$ constituting the components of the metric tensor, we can conclude that $K = \partial_\nu$ is a Killing vector of the unphysical metric. However, the conformal factor is $\nu$-independent as well, so the Lie derivative of the physical metric is

$$\mathcal{L}_K \bar{g}_{ab} = -2\Omega^{-3} g_{ab} \mathcal{L}_K \Omega = 0,$$

i.e. $K$ is also a Killing vector of the physical metric.

The norm of $K$ is given by the component $g_{\nu \nu}$ in the coordinates $x^\mu$. The full form of the metric tensor $g_{\mu \nu}$ can be found in paper I, equation (34). The norm of $K$ is then

$$g(K, K) = g_{\nu \nu} = 2H - 2\omega \bar{\omega},$$

where $\omega = -C^I R_I$ and $R_I$ are the $O(1)$ functions (see (33) in paper I). Frame equations (61) and (63) imply $H, C^I = O(\nu^2)$, and the Ricci identity (A.5f) with (87) shows $\varepsilon = -1/2$ on $\mathcal{I}^-$. From these relations we find the norm of the Killing vector to be

$$g(K, K) = 2\nu^2 + O(\nu^3).$$

We can see that $K$ is null on $\mathcal{I}^-$ and time-like in its neighbourhood. Our results are summarized in the following theorem.
Theorem 5.2. A weakly asymptotically simple time-periodic solution of the Einstein-massless-KG field equations which is analytic in a neighbourhood of $I^-$ in the coordinates introduced above necessarily has a Killing vector which is time-like in the interior and extends to a translation on $I^-$. 

5.2. The conformal-scalar field

The proof for the conformal-scalar field is essentially the same as in the case of massless KG field, the only difference lying in the Bianchi identities. These are not so complicated as in the previous case and we present them in their full form in appendix B, equations (B.51)–(B.58). Our results are summarized in the following theorem.

Theorem 5.3. A weakly asymptotically simple time-periodic solution of the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations which is analytic in a neighbourhood of $I^-$ in the coordinates introduced above necessarily has a Killing vector which is time-like in the interior and extends to a translation on $I^-$. 

We briefly outline the main steps of the proof. We use the same coordinate system and tetrad, defined by (60) and (61)–(66), so all consequences of the choice of the gauge remain unchanged. Projections of wave equation (B.2)–(B.5) and equations for the conformal factor (B.6)–(B.19) differ only in the presence of the physical scalar curvature $\Lambda$, which in this case is zero. The form of the Ricci identities does not depend on the type of the matter field. On the whole, equations (60)–(78) hold without change.

Now it is straightforward to see from the conformal Bianchi identities (B.51)–(B.54) that the Weyl scalars $\psi_n$ are $\nu$-independent on $I^-$. Next we return to equations (83)–(91), which are again valid. So lemma (5.1) holds.

To finalize the proof we need to repeat the induction. In the previous case, in the inductive hypothesis we assumed that each quantity $Q$ satisfies $D\Delta^j Q = 0$ on $I^-$, where $0 \leq j \leq k$, and in addition, $D\Delta^{k+1} Q = 0$ on $I^-$ for $Q \in \{S_a, \phi_a\}$. This was necessary, since the Bianchi identities contained derivatives of these fields. In the inductive step we were able to prove $D\Delta^{k+1} Q = 0$ on $I^-$ for $\psi_n$’s and for all other quantities. Moreover, we proved $D\Delta^{k+2} Q = 0$ on $I^-$ for $Q \in \{S_a, \phi_a\}$.

In this case, the Bianchi identities actually contain the second derivatives of the fields $S_a$ and $\phi_a$, i.e. the third derivatives of $\Omega$ and $\phi$. This is not a problem, however, as all third derivatives are multiplied by $\Omega$. Therefore, terms with problematic $D\Delta^{k+2}$-derivatives vanish on $I^-$, and the induction can be repeated without change.

6. Inheritance

In the previous section, we proved that if both gravitational and scalar fields are periodic near infinity, the spacetime is stationary there and the scalar field does not depend on time. However, there are examples known in which the gravitational field and its matter source do not share the same symmetries (see paper I for a longer discussion). The question therefore is, whether a stationary gravitational field can be produced by a time-dependent source. In paper I we showed that this is not the case with an electromagnetic field—once the spacetime is stationary, the electromagnetic field must be too. Let us briefly recall the idea of the proof.

In the electromagnetic case, the components of the physical Ricci spinor have the simple form $\tilde{\phi}_{mn} = \tilde{\phi}_m \phi_n$. It is clear that if the Ricci spinor is to be stationary, the electromagnetic field can depend on time only through the phase of $\tilde{\phi}_m$, i.e. $\tilde{\phi}_m = \tilde{\phi}_m e^{i\chi}$, where $\chi = \chi(v, r, x')$, but the modulus $\tilde{\phi}$ is time-independent. Now, by the Bondi mass-loss formula $\phi_0 = 0$ on $I^-$. 

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Using Maxwell’s equations we deduced that $\phi_m$ are time-independent on $I^-$, and by induction also in its neighbourhood. Therefore, if an asymptotically flat electrovacuum spacetime is stationary, the electromagnetic field has to inherit stationarity.

The situation is more complicated in the case of the massless KG field, for now it is not obvious what kind of time dependence of the scalar field $\tilde{\phi}$ is compatible with the stationarity of the spacetime. We first find this time dependence and then the result follows, using the Bondi mass-loss formula and induction.

**Theorem 6.1.** In a stationary, analytic, weakly asymptotically simple solution of the Einstein-massless-KG equations with the stationarity Killing vector $K = \partial/\partial v$, the physical massless-KG field must take the form $\tilde{\phi} = e^{i\omega v}\tilde{\phi}_0$, where $\partial_v\tilde{\phi}_0 = 0$. If the metric is analytic in a neighbourhood of $I^-$ in the coordinates introduced above then $\tilde{\phi}$ is in fact time-independent.

For the first part, we use the coordinate system introduced above and assume the stationarity of the spacetime. Hence, $K = \partial_v$ is a Killing vector of the metric and the Lie derivative $L_K$ reduces to a simple partial derivative with respect to $v$, which is also denoted by a dot. Since $\Lambda_1$ is stationary, Einstein’s equations imply

$$\partial_v(\tilde{\phi}_c\tilde{\phi}_c) = 0.$$  

The Lie derivative of the energy–momentum tensor is then

$$4\pi L_K \tilde{T}_{ab} = \tilde{\psi}_a\tilde{\psi}_b + \tilde{\phi}_a\tilde{\phi}_b + \tilde{\psi}_a\tilde{\psi}_b + \tilde{\psi}_b\tilde{\psi}_a,$$

where $\tilde{\psi} = \tilde{\phi}$ and $\tilde{\psi}_a = \nabla_a\tilde{\psi}$. Let us decompose the fields $\tilde{\phi}$ and $\tilde{\psi}$ into real and imaginary parts:

$$\tilde{\phi} = X + iY, \quad \tilde{\psi} = U + iW,$$

with $X, Y, U$ and $W$ being the real functions. In this notation we have

$$2\pi \tilde{T}_{ab} = X_aU_b + Y_aW_b + X_bU_a + Y_bW_a = 0,$$

where $X_a = \nabla_a X$, etc.

We first consider the case when the gradient fields $X_a$ and $Y_a$ are proportional in some finite region so that, by analyticity, they are proportional everywhere. Thus $X$ and $Y$ are functionally dependent. If either were constant then that constant would be zero, since $\tilde{\phi} = 0$ at infinity. Thus we may suppose that $Y$ is a function of $X$ and then

$$\tilde{\phi}_0 = (1 + iY')X_a, \quad \Box\tilde{\phi} = (1 + iY')\Box X + iY''\tilde{g}^{ab}X_aX_b,$$

where the prime indicates derivative w.r.t. $X$.

If $Y'' = 0$ then $Y = aX + b$ for constants $a, b$, but once again $b$ must vanish by asymptotic flatness so $\tilde{\phi} = (1 + ia)X$ and, after rescaling $\tilde{\phi}$ by a constant, we may assume $Y = 0$ whence also $W = 0$. Now (94) becomes $X_aU_b = 0$ from which necessarily $U_a = 0$ and $\tilde{\phi} = \text{constant}$, but then asymptotic flatness forces $\tilde{\phi} = 0$.

If $Y'' \neq 0$ then

$$\Box X = 0 = \tilde{g}^{ab}X_aX_b.$$

Now

$$4\pi \tilde{T}_{ab} = 2(1 + Y^2)X_aX_b,$$

and one may impose on this expression the vanishing of $L_K \tilde{T}_{ab}$. Introduce

$$h := L_K X,$$
then this is
\[ \mathcal{L}_K (4\pi \tilde{T}_{ab}) = 4Y' Y'' h X_a X_b + 2(1 + Y'^2) (h_a X_b + X_a h_b) = 0. \]
For nonzero \( h \), this is only possible if \( h_a \) is proportional to \( X_a \), so that \( h \) is a function of \( X \) and this condition becomes
\[ 4Y' Y'' h + 4h'(1 + Y'^2) = 0, \]
which can be integrated to give \( h^2 (1 + Y'^2) = C \), a constant. Now from (95)
\[ 4\pi \tilde{T}_{ab} K^a K^b = 2h^2 (1 + Y'^2) = 2C, \]
but this expression must vanish at infinity for asymptotic flatness, so \( C = 0 \) and so \( h = 0 \), and the scalar field inherits the symmetry of the metric.

When \( X_a \) and \( Y_a \) are not proportional (except possibly on a set of measure zero), we return to (94) and choose a vector field \( Z^a \) with
\[ Z^a X_a = 0 \quad \text{but} \quad Z^a Y_a \neq 0. \]
Contracting (94) with such \( Z^a \) we find that \( W^b \) is a linear combination of \( X^b \) and \( Y^b \), from which we deduce
\[ W = f(X, Y). \]
Similarly, contracting (94) with a different \( Z^a \) satisfying \( Z^a X_a \neq 0 \) and \( Z^a Y_a = 0 \) we arrive at
\[ U = g(X, Y). \]
Inserting this back into (94) we obtain
\[ g X_a X_b + 2(f X + g Y) X(a Y_b) + f Y Ya Y_b = 0, \]
where the subscript on \( f \) or \( g \) indicates the corresponding partial derivative. Since \( X_a \) and \( Y_a \) are assumed to be linearly independent, all terms in the last equation must vanish separately. We thus have three differential equations for \( f \) and \( g \). The general solution is
\[ W = f = \omega X + \beta, \quad U = g = -\omega Y + \gamma, \]
with constants \( \omega, \beta \) and \( \gamma \). Regarding (93), for the field \( \tilde{\psi} \) we have
\[ \tilde{\psi} = i\omega (X + iY) + (\gamma + i\beta). \]
Since \( \tilde{\psi} = \tilde{\phi} \), we can solve the last equation to find
\[ \tilde{\phi} = \tilde{\phi}_0 e^{i\omega v} + \text{const.} \quad (96) \]
However, the constant second term must be set to zero, as the field itself must vanish at infinity.

We have shown that the most general non-stationary scalar field compatible with stationarity of the spacetime is of the form
\[ \tilde{\phi}(u, r, x^I) = \tilde{\phi}_0(r, x^I) e^{i\omega v}. \quad (97) \]
(It is not difficult to show that the same result is obtained with a potential term \( V(\phi, \tilde{\phi}) \) added as in subsection 2.3, with the extra condition that necessarily \( V \) must also have the form \( V = F(\phi\tilde{\phi}) \).) We shall next show that nonzero \( \omega \) leads to the vanishing of \( \tilde{\phi} \). The stationarity of the spacetime implies the constancy of the Bondi mass, so \( \phi_0 \) is again zero on \( I^- \). Now, if \( \omega = 0 \), the field \( \phi \) is \( v \)-independent everywhere and is therefore stationary. On the other hand, if \( \omega \neq 0 \), then expanding \( \phi_0 \) in the variable \( r \) and using (96), we find
\[ i\omega \phi_0^{(0)} = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad I^-, \]
so that \( \phi_0^{(0)} = 0 \). Continuing by induction, suppose that \( \phi_0^{(j)} = 0 \) for \( 0 \leq j \leq k \). Acting with \( \Delta^k \) on (B.3) leads to (recall that \( \rho \) and \( \epsilon \) vanish on \( I^- \))
\[ i\omega \Delta^{(k+1)} \phi = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad I^- \]
and since the constant \( \omega \) is assumed to be nonzero, it follows immediately that 
\[ \phi^{(k+1)} = 0. \]

Hence, by induction and analyticity, the field \( \phi \) vanishes in a neighbourhood of \( \mathcal{I}^- \). This completes the proof of theorem 6.1 and of inheritance for the massless KG field.

Let us now turn to the conformal-scalar field. Again, we demand the stationarity of the metric, and therefore also the stationarity of the energy–momentum tensor, but not the stationarity of the scalar field. Unfortunately, the complicated form of the energy–momentum tensor (36) does not allow us to find the most general time dependence of \( \tilde{\phi} \) compatible with the stationarity of the metric, and thus we cannot proceed as before. In addition, we cannot deduce any concrete condition on \( \mathcal{I}^- \), as we do not have a negative semi-definite mass-loss formula. Because of these complications we will only show that the scalar field inherits the symmetry in a simpler case. Let us consider a complex conformal-scalar field with the energy–momentum tensor,
\[
\tilde{T}^C_{ab} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left[ 2 \tilde{\phi}_a \tilde{\phi}_{\bar{b}} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\tilde{g}}_{ab} \tilde{\phi}_c \tilde{\bar{\phi}}^c - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\phi} \tilde{\bar{\nabla}}_a \tilde{\bar{\phi}}_b - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\bar{\phi}} \tilde{\nabla}_a \tilde{\phi}_b + \tilde{\phi} \tilde{\bar{\phi}} \tilde{\phi}_{ab} \right].
\]

The Bondi mass-loss formula (59) now takes the form
\[
\dot{M}_B = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \oint d\Sigma \left[ \sigma(0) \dot{\sigma}(0) + 2 \dot{\phi}(0) \dot{\bar{\phi}}(0) - \frac{1}{2} \phi(0) \dot{\bar{\phi}}(0) - \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}(0) \bar{\phi}(0) \right].
\]

Although we cannot exclude the existence of some more general time dependence of \( \tilde{\phi} \), for the field of the form (97) the energy–momentum tensor (98) is stationary. In this case we can integrate by parts in (99) to find as in (59)
\[
\Delta M_B = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \int_{v}^{v+2\pi/\omega} dv \oint d\Sigma [\dot{\sigma}(0) \dot{\sigma}(0) + 3 \dot{\phi}(0) \dot{\bar{\phi}}(0)].
\]

Since we assume the stationarity of the spacetime, \( \dot{\sigma}(0) = 0 \). The constancy of the Bondi mass then implies \( \dot{\phi}(0) = 0 \), i.e.
\[
D\phi \equiv \dot{\phi}(0) = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \mathcal{I}^-.
\]

Now we can proceed as in the case of the massless scalar field. By (101) we have \( \omega = 0 \) or \( \phi(0) = 0 \). If \( \omega = 0 \), the field is time-independent everywhere. If \( \phi(0) = 0 \), or equivalently, \( \phi = 0 \) on \( \mathcal{I}^- \), we prove by induction that \( \phi = 0 \) everywhere.

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Appendix A. The general Newman–Penrose equations

A.1. Commutation relations

The operators \( D, \Delta, \delta \) and \( \delta \) satisfy the commutation relations

\[
\begin{align*}
D\delta - \delta D &= (\tilde{\tau} - \tilde{\alpha} - \beta)D - \kappa \Delta + (\tilde{\rho} - \tilde{\epsilon} + \epsilon)\delta + \sigma \tilde{\delta}, \\
\Delta D - D\Delta &= (\gamma + \tilde{\gamma})D + (\epsilon + \tilde{\epsilon})\Delta - (\tilde{\tau} + \tilde{\alpha})\delta - (\tau + \tilde{\alpha})\delta, \\
\Delta \delta - \delta \Delta &= \delta \tilde{\delta} + (\mu - \tilde{\mu})D + (\rho - \tilde{\rho})\Delta + (\tilde{\alpha} - \tilde{\beta})\delta - (\alpha - \tilde{\beta})\delta.
\end{align*}
\]

A.2. Ricci identities

\[
\begin{align*}
D\rho - \delta \kappa &= \rho^2 + (\epsilon + \tilde{\epsilon})\rho - \kappa (3\alpha + \tilde{\beta} - \tau) - \tau \kappa + \sigma \tilde{\alpha} + \Phi_{00}, \\
D\sigma - \delta \kappa &= (\rho + \tilde{\rho} + 3\epsilon - \tilde{\epsilon})\sigma - (\tau - \tilde{\tau} + \tilde{\alpha} + 3\beta\kappa + \Psi_0, \\
D\tau - \Delta \kappa &= \rho (\tilde{\tau} + \tilde{\alpha}) + \sigma (\tilde{\tau} + \tilde{\alpha}) + (\epsilon - \tilde{\epsilon}), \\
D\alpha - \delta \epsilon &= (\rho + \tilde{\rho} - 2\epsilon)\alpha + \beta \tilde{\alpha} - \tilde{\beta} \epsilon - \kappa \lambda - \kappa \gamma + (\epsilon + \rho)\tau + \Phi_{01}, \\
D\beta - \delta \epsilon &= (\alpha + \pi)\sigma + (\tilde{\rho} - \tilde{\epsilon})\beta - (\mu + \gamma)\kappa - (\tilde{\alpha} - \tilde{\rho})\epsilon + \Psi_1, \\
D\gamma - D\tau &= (\tau + \tilde{\tau})\alpha + (\tau + \tilde{\alpha})\beta - (\tau + \tilde{\alpha})\gamma - (\gamma + \tilde{\gamma})\epsilon + \tau \pi + \kappa v + \Psi_2 - \Lambda + \Phi_{11}, \\
D\lambda - \delta \pi &= (\rho - 3\epsilon + \tilde{\epsilon})\lambda + \sigma \mu + (\pi + \alpha - \tilde{\beta})\pi - \kappa v + \Phi_{20}, \\
D\mu - \delta \pi &= (\rho - \tilde{\epsilon})\mu + \sigma \lambda + (\tilde{\alpha} + \beta)\pi - \kappa v + \Psi_2 + 2\Lambda, \\
Dv - D\pi &= (\tau + \tilde{\tau})\mu + (\tilde{\pi} + \tau)\lambda + (\gamma - \tilde{\gamma})\pi - (3\epsilon + \tilde{\epsilon})v + \Psi_3 + \Phi_{21}, \\
D\lambda - \delta v &= -(\mu + \tilde{\mu} + 3\gamma - \tilde{\gamma})\lambda + (3\alpha + \tilde{\beta} + \pi - \tau)\mu - \Psi_4, \\
D\mu - \delta v &= -(\mu + \gamma + \tilde{\gamma})\mu - \lambda \tilde{\lambda} + \tilde{\gamma}v + (\epsilon + \tilde{\epsilon})v + (\gamma + \tilde{\gamma})\epsilon + \tau \pi + \kappa v + \Psi_4, \\
D\beta - \delta v &= (\tilde{\alpha} + \beta - \tau)\gamma + \mu \tau + \sigma v + \epsilon \tilde{v} + (\gamma - \tilde{\gamma} - \mu)\beta - \alpha \tilde{\lambda} - \Phi_{12}, \\
D\alpha - \delta \tau &= -(\mu - 3\gamma + \tilde{\gamma})\sigma - \lambda \rho - (\tau + \beta - \tilde{\alpha})\tau + \kappa \tilde{v} - \Phi_{02}, \\
D\rho - \delta \tau &= (\gamma + \tilde{\gamma} - \tilde{\mu})\rho - \sigma \lambda + (\tilde{\beta} - \alpha - \tau)\tau + \kappa v - \Psi_2 - 2\Lambda, \\
D\alpha - \delta \gamma &= (\rho + \epsilon)\nu - (\tau + \beta)\lambda + (\gamma + \tilde{\gamma})\nu + (\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma)\nu + \Psi_3, \\
D\rho - \delta \sigma &= (\tilde{\alpha} + \beta)\rho - (3\alpha - \tilde{\beta})\sigma + (\rho - \rho)\tau + (\mu - \tilde{\mu})\kappa - \Phi_1 + \Phi_0, \\
D\alpha - \delta \beta &= \mu \rho - \lambda \sigma + \alpha \tilde{\alpha} + \tilde{\beta} - 2\alpha \beta + (\rho - \rho)\gamma + (\mu - \tilde{\mu})\epsilon - \Psi_2 + \Lambda + \Phi_{11}, \\
D\lambda - \delta \mu &= (\rho - \tilde{\rho})v + (\mu - \tilde{\mu})\pi + (\alpha + \tilde{\beta})\mu + (\tilde{\alpha} - 3\beta)\lambda - \Psi_3 + \Phi_{21}.
\end{align*}
\]

A.3. Bianchi identities

\[
D\Psi_1 - \tilde{\delta} \Psi_0 - D\Phi_{00} + \delta \Phi_{00} = (\pi - 4\alpha)\Psi_0 + 2(\rho + \epsilon)\Psi_1 + 3\kappa \Psi_2 + 2\kappa \Phi_{14} - (\tau - 2\alpha - 2\beta)\Phi_{00} - 2\sigma \Phi_{10} - 2(\rho + \epsilon)\Phi_{01} + \kappa \Phi_{02},
\]

\[
D\Psi_2 - \tilde{\delta} \Psi_1 + \Delta \Phi_{00} - \delta \Phi_{00} + 2D\Lambda = -\lambda \Psi_0 + 2(\pi - \alpha)\Psi_1 + 3\rho \Psi_2 - 2\kappa \Psi_3 + 2\rho \Phi_{11} + \sigma \Phi_{02} + 2(\gamma + \tilde{\gamma} - \tilde{\mu})\Phi_{00} - 2(\alpha + \tilde{\tau})\Phi_{01} - 2\tau \Phi_{10}.
\]
\[ D\Psi_3 = \bar{\delta}\Psi_2 - D\Phi_{21} + \delta\Phi_{20} - 2\delta\Lambda = -2\lambda\Psi_4 + 3\pi\Psi_2 + 2(\rho - \epsilon)\Psi_3 - \kappa\Psi_4 + 2\mu\Phi_{10} - 2\pi\Phi_{11} - (2\beta + \bar{\pi} - 2\bar{\alpha})\Phi_{20} - 2(\bar{\rho} - \epsilon)\Phi_{21} + \bar{\kappa}\Phi_{22}, \]  
(A.6c)

\[ D\Psi_4 = \bar{\delta}\Psi_3 + \Delta\Phi_{20} - \delta\Phi_{21} = -3\lambda\Psi_2 + 2(\alpha + 2\pi)\Psi_3 + (\rho - 4\epsilon)\Psi_4 + 2\nu\Phi_{10} - 2\lambda\Phi_{11} - (2\gamma - 2\bar{\rho} + \bar{\mu})\Phi_{20} - 2(\bar{\epsilon} - \alpha)\Phi_{21} + \sigma\Phi_{22}, \]  
(A.6d)

\[ \Delta\Psi_0 = \delta\Psi_1 + D\Phi_{02} - \delta\Phi_{01} = (4\gamma - \mu)\Psi_0 - 2(2\tau + \beta)\Psi_1 - 3\sigma\Psi_2 + (\bar{\beta} + 2\bar{\epsilon} - 2\bar{\alpha})\Phi_{02} + 2\sigma\Phi_{11} - 2\kappa\Phi_{12} - \bar{\lambda}\Phi_{00} + 2(\bar{\pi} - \beta)\Phi_{01}, \]  
(A.7a)

\[ \Delta\Psi_1 = \delta\Psi_2 - \Delta\Phi_{01} - \delta\Phi_{02} - 2\delta\Lambda = -\nu\Psi_0 + 2(\gamma - \mu)\Psi_1 - 3\pi\Psi_2 + 2\sigma\Psi_3 - \bar{\nu}\Phi_{00} + 2(\bar{\mu} - \gamma)\Phi_{01} + (2\alpha - \bar{\epsilon} - 2\bar{\beta})\Phi_{02} + 2\tau\Phi_{11} - 2\rho\Phi_{12}, \]  
(A.7b)

\[ \Delta\Psi_2 = \delta\Psi_3 - D\Phi_{22} - \delta\Phi_{21} + 2\Delta\Lambda = 2\nu\Psi_1 - 3\mu\Psi_2 + 2(\beta - \tau)\Psi_3 + \sigma\Psi_4 - \nu\Phi_{11} - \bar{\lambda}\Phi_{20} + 2\pi\Phi_{12} + 2(\beta + \bar{\pi})\Phi_{21} + (\bar{\rho} - \beta - 2\bar{\epsilon})\Phi_{22}, \]  
(A.7c)

\[ \Delta\Psi_3 = \delta\Psi_4 - \Delta\Phi_{21} - \delta\Phi_{22} = 3\nu\Psi_2 - 2(\gamma + 2\mu)\Psi_3 + (4\beta - \tau)\Psi_4 - 2\nu\Phi_{11} + \nu\Phi_{20} + 2\lambda\Phi_{12} + 2(\gamma + \bar{\mu})\Phi_{21} + (\bar{\epsilon} - 2\bar{\beta} - 2\alpha)\Phi_{22}, \]  
(A.7d)

\[ D\Phi_{11} - \delta\Phi_{10} + D\Phi_{00} = 3\Delta\Lambda = (2\gamma + 2\bar{\rho} - \mu - \bar{\mu})\Phi_{00} + (\pi - 2\alpha - 2\bar{\tau})\Phi_{01} + (\bar{\pi} - 2\bar{\alpha} - 2\bar{\tau})\Phi_{10} + 2(\rho + \bar{\beta})\Phi_{11} + 2\sigma\Phi_{20} - \bar{\kappa}\Phi_{12} - \kappa\Phi_{21}, \]  
(A.8a)

\[ D\Phi_{12} - \delta\Phi_{11} + D\Phi_{01} = 3\Delta\Lambda = (2\gamma - \mu - 2\bar{\mu})\Phi_{01} + \nu\Phi_{00} - \bar{\lambda}\Phi_{10} + 2(\bar{\pi} - \tau)\Phi_{11} + (\pi + 2\bar{\beta} - 2\alpha - \bar{\tau})\Phi_{02} + (\nu + \bar{\beta} - 2\bar{\epsilon})\Phi_{12} + \sigma\Phi_{21} + \kappa\Phi_{22}, \]  
(A.8b)

\[ D\Phi_{22} - \delta\Phi_{21} + \Delta\Phi_{11} - \delta\Phi_{12} + 3\Delta\Lambda = \nu\Phi_{01} + \nu\Phi_{10} - 2(\mu + \bar{\mu})\Phi_{11} - \lambda\Phi_{02} - \bar{\lambda}\Phi_{20} + (2\pi - \bar{\pi} + 2\bar{\beta})\Phi_{12} + (2\beta - \tau + 2\bar{\tau})\Phi_{21} + (\rho + \bar{\beta} - 2\epsilon - 2\bar{\epsilon})\Phi_{22}. \]  
(A.8c)

**Appendix B. The conformal field equations**

**B.1. The conformally rescaled wave equation**

The wave equation \( \tilde{\Delta}\tilde{\phi} = 0 \) in the physical spacetime is not conformally invariant. If \( \tilde{\phi} \) is the solution of the physical wave equation, then the unphysical scalar field \( \phi \) satisfies equation (32),

\[ \nabla_A^\Lambda\psi_{B\Lambda} = 2(\Lambda - \Omega^{-2}\bar{\Lambda})\phi e_{AB}. \]  
(B.1)

The projections of this equation are as follows:

\[ D\psi_1 = \delta \psi_0 = (\bar{\epsilon} - \bar{\alpha} - \beta)\psi_0 + (\bar{\rho} + \epsilon - \bar{\epsilon})\psi_1 + \sigma \psi_1 - \kappa \psi_2, \]  
(B.2)

\[ D\psi_2 = \delta \psi_1 = -\mu \psi_0 + \pi \psi_1 + (\bar{\tau} - \bar{\pi} + \bar{\beta})\psi_1 + (\bar{\rho} - \epsilon - \bar{\epsilon})\psi_2 - 2\phi(\Lambda - \Omega^{-2}\bar{\Lambda}), \]  
(B.3)

\[ \Delta \psi_0 = \tilde{\delta} \psi_1 = (\gamma + \bar{\rho} - \bar{\mu})\psi_0 + (\bar{\beta} - \alpha - \bar{\epsilon})\psi_1 - \gamma \psi_1 + \rho \psi_2 - 2\phi(\Lambda - \Omega^{-2}\bar{\Lambda}), \]  
(B.4)

\[ \Delta \psi_1 = \tilde{\delta} \psi_2 = \nu \psi_0 - \lambda \psi_1 + (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma - \bar{\mu})\psi_1 + (\alpha + \bar{\beta} - \bar{\epsilon})\psi_2. \]  
(B.5)

Appropriate equations for the conformal-scalars field can be obtained from (B.2)-(B.5) by setting \( \bar{\Lambda} = 0 \).
B.2. Equations for the conformal factor

The projections of equation (23),
\[ \nabla_{\alpha \beta} s_{\beta \alpha} = \Omega \Phi_{\alpha \beta} - \Omega \Phi_{\alpha} \Omega + F, \]
are as follows:

\[ DS_0 = (\epsilon + \bar{\epsilon}) S_0 + \kappa \bar{S}_1 + \kappa \bar{S}_1 = \Omega \Phi_{00} - \Omega \Phi_{00}, \]  
(B.6)
\[ \Delta S_0 = (\gamma + \bar{\gamma}) S_0 + \bar{\gamma} S_1 + \gamma S_1 = \Omega \Phi_{11} - \Omega \Phi_{11}, \]  
(B.7)
\[ \delta S_0 = (\alpha + \bar{\beta}) S_0 + \bar{\beta} S_1 + \beta S_1 = \Omega \Phi_{100} - \Omega \Phi_{01}, \]  
(B.8)
\[ DS_1 = \bar{\eta} S_0 + (\epsilon - \epsilon) S_1 + \kappa S_0 = \Omega \Phi_{01} - \Omega \Phi_{01}, \]  
(B.9)
\[ \Delta S_1 = \bar{\nu} S_0 + (\eta - \eta) S_1 + \tau S_2 = \Omega \Phi_{12} - \Omega \Phi_{12}, \]  
(B.10)
\[ \delta S_1 = (\bar{\alpha} - \beta) S_0 + \alpha S_1 = \Omega \Phi_{02} - \Omega \Phi_{02}, \]  
(B.11)
\[ DS_2 = - \pi S_1 + \bar{\pi} S_1 + (\epsilon + \bar{\epsilon}) S_2 = \Omega \Phi_{22} - \Omega \Phi_{22}, \]  
(B.12)
\[ \Delta S_2 = - \nu S_1 + \nu S_1 + (\gamma + \bar{\gamma}) S_2 = \Omega \Phi_{22} - \Omega \Phi_{22}, \]  
(B.13)
\[ \delta S_2 = - \mu S_1 + \lambda S_1 = \Omega \Phi_{22} - \Omega \Phi_{22}. \]  
(B.14)

Equation (29) for the derivatives of \( F = (1/2) \Omega^{-1} s_{\alpha \beta} \),

\[ \nabla_{\alpha \beta} F = s_{\beta \alpha} \Phi_{\alpha \beta} - s_{\beta \alpha} \Phi_{\alpha \beta} + \lambda^{-1} s_{\alpha \beta}, \]  
(B.16)
has the following projections:

\[ DF = S_2 \Phi_{00} - S_1 \Phi_{10} + S_0 \Phi_{11} + \bar{S}_1 \Phi_{01}, \]  
(B.17)
\[ \delta F = S_2 \Phi_{01} - S_1 \Phi_{11} + S_0 \Phi_{12} - \bar{S}_1 \Phi_{02}, \]  
(B.18)
\[ \Delta F = S_2 \Phi_{11} - S_1 \Phi_{21} + S_0 \Phi_{22} - \bar{S}_1 \Phi_{12}, \]  
(B.19)

B.3. Conformal Bianchi identities for the scalar field

Let us write the conformal Bianchi identities (18) for the scalar field in the form

\[ X_{\alpha \beta \gamma} = Y_{\alpha \beta \gamma}, \]  
(B.20)
where (for notation see (14))

\[ X_{\alpha \beta \gamma} = \nabla_{\alpha} \psi_{\beta \gamma}, \]  
\[ Y_{\alpha \beta \gamma} = 4 (s \psi \bar{\psi} + 2 \phi \bar{\phi} \psi_{\gamma} + 2 \phi \psi_{\gamma} + 4 \Omega \psi_{\gamma} + \phi \bar{\phi} \bar{\psi}^2 (s \psi s) - \phi \phi \bar{\phi}^2 (s \psi s)), \]  
(B.21)
\[ + 4 \Omega^2 \phi \bar{\phi} (s \psi \bar{\psi}). \]  
(B.22)

\[ 8 \] There is a misprint in paper I: in equation (B.2a) the sign of \((\epsilon + \bar{\epsilon}) S_0\) should be ‘minus’ as in (B.6). This does not affect the results of paper I.

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Since both sides are totally symmetric in \(ABC\), we denote their contractions with spinors \(o\) and \(i\) by the number of \(i\)'s in the first index and number of \(i\)'s in the second, e.g. \(X_{20} = X_{ABC\alpha} \alpha^A \delta^C \delta^D \delta^E \). \(X_{01} = X_{ABC\alpha} \alpha^A \delta^D \delta^E \).

The components of \(X_{ABC\alpha}\) read

\[
X_{00} = -D\psi_1 + \bar{\delta}\psi_0 + (\pi - 4\alpha)\psi_0 + 2(\varepsilon + 2\rho)\psi_1 - 3\kappa\psi_2 + \phi\bar{\phi}(\psi_{0} + 2S_0\psi_{0} + 2S_0\psi_{01}).
\]

\[
X_{01} = \Delta\psi_0 - \delta\psi_1 + (\mu - 4\gamma)\psi_0 + 2(\beta + \gamma)\psi_1 - 3\sigma\psi_2 + \phi\bar{\phi}(2S_0\psi_{02} + 2S_0\psi_{01}).
\]

\[
X_{10} = -D\psi_2 + \bar{\delta}\psi_1 - \lambda\psi_0 + 2(\pi - \alpha)\psi_1 + 3\rho_2 - 2\kappa_3 + (2/3)\phi\bar{\phi}(\psi_{0} + S_0\psi_{0} - 2S_0\psi_{0} + 2S_0\psi_{11} - 2S_0\psi_{10}).
\]

\[
X_{11} = \Delta\psi_1 - \delta\psi_2 - \nu\psi_0 + 2(\mu - \gamma)\psi_1 + 3\tau\psi_2 - 2\sigma\psi_3 + (2/3)\phi\bar{\phi}(\psi_{0} + S_0\psi_{0} - 2S_0\psi_{0} + 2S_0\psi_{12} - 2S_0\psi_{11}).
\]

\[
X_{20} = -D\psi_3 + \bar{\delta}\psi_2 - 2\lambda\psi_1 + 3\pi\psi_2 + 2(\rho - \varepsilon)\psi_3 - 3\kappa_4 + (2/3)\phi\bar{\phi}(\psi_{0} + S_0\psi_{0} - S_0\psi_{0} + 2S_0\psi_{21} - 2S_0\psi_{20}).
\]

\[
X_{21} = \Delta\psi_2 - \delta\psi_3 - 2\nu\psi_1 + 3\mu\psi_2 + 2(\pi - \beta)\psi_3 - 3\sigma\psi_4 + (2/3)\phi\bar{\phi}(\psi_{0} + S_0\psi_{0} - S_0\psi_{0} + 2S_0\psi_{21} - 2S_0\psi_{21}).
\]

\[
X_{30} = -D\psi_4 + \bar{\delta}\psi_3 - 3\nu\psi_2 + 2(\pi + 2\beta)\psi_3 + (\rho - 4\varepsilon)\psi_4 + \phi\bar{\phi}(2S_1\psi_{21} - 2S_2\psi_{20}).
\]

\[
X_{31} = \Delta\psi_3 - \delta\psi_4 - 3\nu\psi_2 + 2(\pi + 2\beta)\psi_3 + (\rho - 4\varepsilon)\psi_4 + \phi\bar{\phi}(2S_1\psi_{21} - 2S_2\psi_{21}).
\]

We do not present the projections of \(Y_{ABC\alpha}\) in full detail since they are too long. However, the structure of all the terms entering this spinor allows one to reconstruct its components from knowledge of the components of spinors \((s\psi\bar{\psi})\) and \((\nabla\psi\bar{\psi})\), if appropriate interchanges of \(s\), \(\psi\) and \(\bar{\psi}\) are made. For expressions of type \((s\psi\bar{\psi})\) we get

\[
2(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{00} = 2S_1\psi_0\bar{\psi}_0 + 2S_0(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_0).
\]

\[
2(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{01} = -2S_0\psi_1\bar{\psi}_1 + S_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1).
\]

\[
6(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{10} = -S_0(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) + 2S_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_0) - \bar{\psi}_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) + 2S_2\psi_0\bar{\psi}_0.
\]

\[
6(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{11} = -2S_0(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) + S_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) - 2S_1\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + S_2(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_0).
\]

\[
6(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{20} = -S_0(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) + 2S_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_0) - \psi_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) + 2S_2(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_0).
\]

\[
6(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{21} = -2S_0\psi_2\bar{\psi}_1 + S_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) - 2S_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_1) + 2S_2(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1 + \psi_1\bar{\psi}_0).
\]

\[
2(s\psi\bar{\psi})_{30} = -\bar{\psi}_1(\psi_0\bar{\psi}_2 + \psi_2\bar{\psi}_0) + 2S_2\psi_0\bar{\psi}_1.
\]
The projections of the Bianchi identities (44)

\[ \nabla^D_A \psi_{ABCD} = 3 s_{(E} \phi_{AB)AE} + \Omega \nabla^B_C \phi_{AB} \]  

(50)
are as follows:

\[
D\psi_1 - \delta \psi_0 - (\pi - 4\alpha)\psi_0 + (2(\pi - \alpha)\psi_1 + 3\rho \psi_2 - 2\kappa \psi_3
+ 2S_0\phi_{11} + S_1\phi_{01} - S_2\phi_{00} - S_3\phi_{10}
+ \frac{1}{2}\Omega[2D\phi_{11} - \Delta \phi_{00} + 2\delta \phi_{01} - \delta \phi_{00}
+ (2\gamma + 2\bar{\gamma} + 2\mu - \bar{\mu} - \rho)\phi_{01} - 2(\pi + \bar{\pi} + \bar{\tau})\phi_{01}
+ 2(2\rho - 2\bar{\rho})\phi_{11} + 2\kappa \phi_{12} + 2\kappa \phi_{21} + \sigma \phi_{02} - 2\sigma \phi_{20}],
\]

(B.51)

\[
D\psi_2 - \delta \psi_1 = -\lambda \psi_0 + 2(\pi - \alpha)\psi_1 + 3\rho \psi_2 - 2\kappa \psi_3
+ 2S_0\phi_{11} + S_1\phi_{01} - S_2\phi_{00} - S_3\phi_{10}
+ \frac{1}{2}\Omega[2D\phi_{11} - \Delta \phi_{00} + 2\delta \phi_{01} - \delta \phi_{00}
+ (2\gamma + 2\bar{\gamma} + 2\mu - \bar{\mu} - \rho)\phi_{01} - 2(\pi + \bar{\pi} + \bar{\tau})\phi_{01}
+ 2(2\rho - 2\bar{\rho})\phi_{11} + 2\kappa \phi_{12} + 2\kappa \phi_{21} + \sigma \phi_{02} - 2\sigma \phi_{20}],
\]

(B.52)

\[
D\psi_3 - \delta \psi_2 = -2\lambda \psi_1 + 2\pi \psi_2 + 2(\rho - \epsilon)\psi_3 - \kappa \psi_4
+ S_0\phi_{21} - S_1\phi_{20} - 2S_2\phi_{10} + 2S_3\phi_{11}
+ \frac{1}{2}\Omega[2\Delta \phi_{10} - D\phi_{21} - 2\delta \phi_{11} + \delta \phi_{20}
+ 2(\rho - \epsilon)\phi_{21} + (\bar{\tau} - \bar{\pi})\phi_{20} + \kappa \phi_{22}],
\]

(B.53)

\[
D\psi_4 - \delta \psi_3 = -3\lambda \psi_1 + 2(\pi + 2\alpha)\psi_3 + (\rho - 4\epsilon)\psi_4 + 3S_1\phi_{21} - 3S_2\phi_{20} + \Omega[\Delta \phi_{20} - \delta \phi_{21}
+ 2(\rho - \epsilon)\phi_{21} + (\bar{\tau} - \bar{\pi})\phi_{20} + \kappa \phi_{22}],
\]

(B.54)

\[
\Delta \psi_0 - \delta \psi_1 = (4\gamma - \mu)\psi_0 - 2(\beta + 2\tau)\psi_1 + 3\sigma \psi_2 + 3S_1\phi_{01} - 3S_0\phi_{02} + \Omega[-D\phi_{02} + \delta \phi_{01}
- S_0\phi_{01} + 2(\bar{\tau} - \bar{\beta})\phi_{01} + 2(\rho - \epsilon)\phi_{01} - 2\kappa \phi_{12} + (2\epsilon - 2\bar{\tau} + \bar{\rho})\phi_{02}],
\]

(B.55)

\[
\Delta \psi_1 - \delta \psi_2 = \nu \psi_0 + 2(2\pi - \beta)\psi_1 + 3\pi \psi_2 + 2\sigma \psi_3
+ S_0\phi_{01} + S_2\phi_{01} - 2S_0\phi_{12} - S_1\phi_{02}
+ \frac{1}{2}\Omega[\Delta \phi_{01} - \delta \phi_{02} + 2\delta \phi_{11} - 2D\phi_{12}
+ 2\nu \phi_{01} + 2(\beta - \tau)\phi_{01} + 2(2\pi + \bar{\tau})\phi_{01}
+ 2(\rho - \epsilon)\phi_{12} + 2\kappa \phi_{21} + (2\pi + 2\alpha - 2\beta - 2\bar{\tau} - \bar{\pi})\phi_{02} - 2\kappa \phi_{22}],
\]

(B.56)

\[
\Delta \psi_2 - \delta \psi_3 = 2\nu \psi_1 - 3\pi \psi_2 + 2(\beta - \tau)\psi_3 + 3\sigma \psi_4
+ 2S_0\phi_{11} + S_1\phi_{21} - 2S_0\phi_{22} - S_2\phi_{12}
+ \frac{1}{2}\Omega[2\Delta \phi_{11} + \delta \phi_{21} - \delta \phi_{12} - 2D\phi_{22}
+ 2\nu \phi_{10} - 2\nu \phi_{10} + 2(2\beta - \pi)\phi_{11} + 2(\pi + \bar{\pi} - 2\beta)\phi_{12}
+ 2(\beta + \tau + \bar{\pi})\phi_{21} + 2\kappa \phi_{02} - \delta \phi_{20} + (\rho - \epsilon)\phi_{20} + 2\kappa \phi_{22}],
\]

(B.57)

\[
\Delta \psi_3 - \delta \psi_4 = 3\nu \psi_2 - 2(2\gamma - \mu)\psi_3 + (4\beta - \tau)\psi_4 + 3S_2\phi_{21} - 3S_3\phi_{22} + \Omega[\Delta \phi_{21} - \delta \phi_{22}
- 2\nu \phi_{11} + 2\kappa \phi_{12} + 2(\gamma + \bar{\mu})\phi_{21} - \nu \phi_{20} + (\bar{\tau} - 2\alpha + 2\beta)\phi_{22}],
\]

(B.58)

Appendix C.

C.1. The asymptotic solution of the Einstein-massless-scalar-field equations

Although we want the results at \( I^- \), we follow the usual convention and find the asymptotic solution of the field equations in the physical spacetime first in the neighbourhood of \( I^+ \). The results can easily be translated to \( I^- \). For the solution, we closely follow the
procedure presented in [16] for the vacuum spacetimes. The coordinates, tetrad and conformal transformations of the spin basis are identical to those used therein, and in this appendix, since we do not consider unphysical quantities, we omit the tildes from physical quantities.

We define
\[
\phi_0 = D\phi, \quad \phi_1 = \delta\phi, \quad \phi_1^\prime = \bar{\delta}\phi, \quad \phi_2 = \Delta\phi. \tag{C.1}
\]

The components of the Ricci spinor and the scalar curvature are given by (8) and (9). The asymptotic behaviour of these quantities is as follows:
\[
\Phi_{100}, \Phi_{101}, \Phi_{102} = O(\Omega^4),
\Phi_{111}, \Phi_{112}, \Lambda = O(\Omega^3), \tag{C.2}
\Phi_{22} = O(\Omega^2).
\]

Assuming analyticity we can expand any quantity \( X = O(\Omega^k) \) in a series of the form
\[
X = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} X^{(i)}(\mu, \theta, \phi) \Omega^{i+k}. \tag{C.3}
\]

Using the field equations, i.e. the Ricci and Bianchi identities and the frame equations, we arrive at the following asymptotic solution for the spin coefficients (setting \( \Phi_{mn} = 0 \) and \( \Lambda = 0 \) we recover expansions valid for the vacuum case which can be found, e.g. in [16], section 3.10):
\[
\sigma = \sigma^{(0)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^4),
\rho = -\Omega + \rho^{(2)} \Omega^3 + O(\Omega^4),
\alpha = \alpha^{(1)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^3),
\beta = -a \Omega - a \sigma^{(0)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^3),
\pi = \pi^{(0)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^3),
\lambda = \lambda^{(0)} \Omega + \lambda^{(2)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^3),
\gamma = \gamma^{(2)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^3),
\mu = -\frac{1}{4} \Omega + \mu^{(2)} \Omega^2 + O(\Omega^3),
\nu = O(\Omega),
\]
where
\[
\rho^{(2)} = -\left[\sigma^{(0)} \bar{\sigma}^{(0)} + \Phi_{10}^{(0)}\right],
a = -(2\sqrt{2})^{-1} \cot \theta,
\alpha^{(1)} = \partial\sigma^{(0)} + \bar{\sigma}^{(0)},
\gamma^{(2)} = a\bar{\sigma}^{(0)} - a\sigma^{(0)} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \psi_2^{(0)} + \Phi_{11}^{(0)} - \Lambda^{(0)} \right),
\lambda^{(2)} = \frac{1}{4} \sigma^{(0)} - \partial\sigma^{(0)},
\mu^{(2)} = -\partial\bar{\sigma}^{(0)} - \psi_2^{(0)} - 2 \Lambda^{(0)} - \sigma^{(0)} \bar{\sigma}^{(0)},
\]
For the relevant Weyl scalars and Ricci tensor components we have
\[
\psi_2 = \psi_2^{(0)} \Omega^3 + O(\Omega^4),
\psi_4 = -\bar{\psi}^{(0)} \Omega + O(\Omega^2), \tag{C.6}
\Phi_{11} = -\frac{1}{2} \partial_u (\phi^{(0)} \bar{\phi}^{(0)}) \Omega^3 + O(\Omega^4),
\Lambda = \frac{1}{6} \partial_u (\phi^{(0)} \bar{\phi}^{(0)}) \Omega^3 + O(\Omega^4).
Appendix D. Selected solutions to the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations

We first briefly survey some explicit stationary solutions to the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations which satisfy the requirements of our theorem. To explore the field equation (37) further, we also present two families of time-dependent solutions. Some are singular when \( \phi^2 = 1 \), some are not and in some \( \phi^2 \) never takes the value 1.

D.1. Stationary solutions

Over 50 years ago Buchdahl [6] demonstrated how from any given static vacuum solution a one-parameter family of pairs of solutions of Einstein’s equations with the massless scalar field can be constructed. Later Bekenstein [2] showed how from any Einstein-scalar field solution the corresponding Einstein-conformal-scalar field solution can be found. In particular, considering any static vacuum solution in the form

\[
d s^2 = W^2 d t^2 - W^{-2} h_{ij} d x^i d x^j,
\]

(D.1)

the two Einstein-conformal-scalar solutions are

\[
d s^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left( W^2 \pm W^{-2} \right)^2 \left[ W^{2a} d t^2 - W^{-2a} h_{ij} d x^i d x^j \right],
\]

\[
\phi = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \frac{1 \mp W^{2\beta}}{1 \pm W^{2\beta}}, \quad \beta \in \left[ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right]
\]

where \( \alpha = (1 - 3\beta^2)^{1/2} \), and \( \beta \in \left[ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right] \) is a free parameter. Upper and lower signs, respectively, in (D.2) correspond to two types of solutions \( A \) and \( B \). If the solution (D.1) is asymptotically flat, so it is the type \( A \) solution. Hence, many solutions satisfying our assumptions are available.

A special spherically symmetric solution—after choosing a suitable radial coordinate—reads

\[
d s^2 = \left( 1 - \frac{m}{\bar{r}} \right)^2 d t^2 - \left( 1 - \frac{m}{\bar{r}} \right)^{-2} d \bar{r}^2 - \bar{r}^2 (d \theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta \ d \phi^2),
\]

(D.3)

\[
\phi = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4\pi}} \frac{m}{\bar{r} - m}.
\]

The geometry is identical to that of an extreme Reissner–Nordström black hole, so it can be analytically continued to \( \bar{r} < m \). However, \( \phi \) and \( (\nabla_a \phi)(\nabla^a \phi) \) diverge at the ‘horizon’ \( \bar{r} = m \). Nevertheless, this infinite scalar field does not imply an infinite barrier for test scalar charges and the solutions are often regarded as ‘black holes with scalar charge’ [3]. In any case, both geometry and scalar fields are analytic at \( \bar{r} \to \infty \) satisfying our requirements.

Bekenstein’s work inspired a number of more recent papers: for example, Einstein-conformal-scalar-field solutions were analysed in arbitrary dimensions [18], self-interacting scalar fields were considered [8] and transversable wormholes from massless conformally coupled and other scalar fields non-minimally coupled to gravity were constructed [1].

D.2. FLRW metric

In this section, we present simple homogenous isotropic solutions of the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations. We shall take the metric in the standard form

\[
d s^2 = d t^2 - a^2(t) \left[ \frac{d r^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2 (d \theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta \ d \phi^2) \right], \quad (D.4)
\]

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where \( k \in \{-1, 0, 1\} \). The energy–momentum tensor is given by (38). Since this tensor is traceless, the scalar curvature must vanish:

\[
R = \frac{6}{a^2} [k + \dot{a}^2 + \ddot{a}a] = 0.
\]

Solutions to this equation are

\[
a(t) = \sqrt{c_1 - k(t + c_2)^2} \quad \text{for} \quad k \neq 0, \\
a(t) = c_1 \sqrt{2t + c_2} \quad \text{for} \quad k = 0.
\]

The conformally invariant scalar field in the physical spacetime satisfies d’Alembert’s equation \( \Box \phi = 0 \). Because the spacetime is assumed to be homogeneous and isotropic, we suppose that the field does not depend on the spatial coordinates. D’Alembert’s equation then reduces to

\[
\Box \phi(t) = \frac{3 \dot{a} \phi}{a} = 0. \tag{D.6}
\]

For given \( a(t) \), the solution can be found explicitly:

\[
\phi(t) = C_3 + C_4 \int \frac{dt}{a^3(t)}. \tag{D.5}
\]

In the following short discussion we consider three cases for the three possible values of \( k \). We solve the wave equation, find the components of the energy–momentum tensor and see that these components do not exhibit the singularity formally present in (38).

(1) \( k = 0 \). Imposing the initial condition \( a(0) = 0 \) leads to

\[
a(t) = \sqrt{2 C t}, \tag{D.7}
\]

where \( C \) is an arbitrary positive constant. The general solution of (D.4) is

\[
\phi(t) = \alpha + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{t}}.
\]

Einstein’s equations then imply

\[
\alpha = \pm 1,
\]

and \( \beta \) is nonzero but arbitrary. Note that \( \phi^2 = 1 \) at \( t = \beta^2 / 4 \) if \( \alpha \beta / |\beta| = -1 \), but \( \phi^2 \) is never 1 if \( \alpha \beta / |\beta| = +1 \). The components of the energy–momentum tensor are

\[
T_{ab} = \frac{1}{16 \pi} \text{diag} \left( \frac{3}{2 t^2}, \frac{C}{t}, \frac{C r^2}{t}, \frac{C r^2 \sin^2 \theta}{t} \right). \tag{D.8}
\]

Obviously, \( T_{ab} \) is regular unless \( t = 0 \). This is the expected initial curvature singularity (for example, the Kretschmann invariant \( R_{abcd} R^{abcd} = 3/(2 t^4) \) diverges for \( t = 0 \)). As noted above, the term \( (1 - \phi^2) \) may or may not vanish depending on the constants of integration but even when it does there is no singularity in \( T_{ab} \) despite the form of (38).

(2) \( k = -1 \). Again, we demand \( a(0) = 0 \), so \( a(t) \) is of the form

\[
a(t) = \sqrt{t(t + C)}.
\]

The general solution of the wave equation is

\[
\phi(t) = \alpha + \beta \frac{2 t + C}{2 a(t)}, \tag{D.9}
\]

and Einstein’s equations give

\[
\alpha = \cosh \chi, \quad \beta = \sinh \chi. \tag{D.10}
\]
where $\chi$ is an arbitrary constant. Now $(1 - \phi^2)$ will vanish at some $t > 0$ for $\chi < 0$ but not for $\chi > 0$. The components of the energy–momentum tensor are
\[
T_{ab} = \frac{C^2}{32\pi a^2(t)} \text{diag} \left( \frac{3}{a^2(t)}, 1 + r^2, r^2 \sin^2 \theta \right),
\]
and they are again singular only for $t = 0$, and not at $\phi^2 = 1$.

(3) $k = 1$. Now we impose the conditions $a(0) = 0$ and $\dot{a}(T) = 0$, so that
\[
a(t) = \sqrt{t}(2T - t).\]
The solution of the wave equation is
\[
\phi(t) = \alpha + \beta \frac{T - t}{a(t)},
\]
and Einstein’s equations imply
\[
\alpha = \cos \chi, \quad \beta = \sin \chi.
\]
In this case, $\phi^2$ always takes the value 1 for some time, but the components of the energy–momentum tensor are
\[
T_{ab} = \frac{T^2}{8\pi a^2(t)} \text{diag} \left( \frac{3}{a^2(t)}, 1 - r^2, r^2 \sin^2 \theta \right),
\]
and are nonsingular at $\phi^2 = 1$.

In [2], cosmological solutions were also considered (both conformal scalar field and incoherent radiation); however, singularities in $T_{ab}$ for scalar field were not discussed.

D.3. pp-waves

We can find pp-wave solutions with this source: consider the pp-wave with the metric given by
\[
dx^2 = 2H(u, x, y) \, du^2 + 2 \, dv \, dx^2 - dy^2.
\]
For simplicity, we assume that the scalar field $\phi = \phi(u, x, y)$ does not depend on $v$. The wave equation is then
\[
\Box \phi = -\phi_{xx} - \phi_{yy} = 0,
\]
with subscripts denoting corresponding derivatives. We can take the general real solution to be
\[
\phi(u, x, y) = f(u, x + iy)/2 + f(u, x - iy)/2,
\]
where $f$ is an arbitrary real function of two variables. Let us denote
\[
K_{ab} = R_{ab} + 8\pi T_{ab},
\]
so that Einstein’s equation are $K_{ab} = 0$. One of these equations is
\[
K_{01} = \frac{\phi_x^2 + \phi_y^2}{1 - \phi^2} = 0,
\]
from which we find
\[
\phi = f(u).
\]
Then the only remaining nonzero component of $K_{ab}$ is
\[
K_{00} = H_{xx} + H_{yy} + \frac{2}{1 - f_u^2} \left( f f_{uu} - 2 f_u^2 \right).
\]
Solving the equation $K_{00} = 0$ with respect to $H$ we arrive at

$$H = C(u, x + iy) + C(u, x - iy) + x^2 + y^2 \left( \frac{2f_u^2 - f f_{uu}}{1 - f^2} \right).$$

Here, $C$ and $f$ are the arbitrary real functions. As we can now see, the metric function $H$ is singular if ever $f \equiv \phi = \pm 1$ and this, if it occurs, will be a curvature singularity.

In [13], a large class of solutions of the Einstein-conformal-scalar equations for colliding plane waves was found by employing the Bekenstein transformation [2].

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