

**Geometric properties of stationary and axisymmetric Killing horizons**Andrey A. Shoom<sup>\*</sup>*Theoretical Physics Institute, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta T6G 2E1, Canada*

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We study some geometric properties of Killing horizons in four-dimensional stationary and axisymmetric space-times with an electromagnetic field and a cosmological constant. Using a  $(1 + 1 + 2)$  space-time split, we construct relations between the space-time Riemann tensor components and the components of the Riemann tensor corresponding to the horizon surface. The Einstein equations allow to derive the space-time scalar curvature invariants—Kretschmann, Chern-Pontryagin, and Euler—on the two-dimensional spacelike horizon surface. The derived relations generalize the relations known for Killing horizons of static and axisymmetric four-dimensional space-times. We also present the generalization of Hartle’s curvature formula.

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**I. INTRODUCTION**

Killing horizons play a significant role in the analysis of pseudo-Riemannian manifolds and are important characteristics of such manifolds. They help to define the global structure of space-time, such as black hole event horizons, Cauchy horizons, cosmological event horizons, and local isometry horizons (for details see [1–4] and references therein). A Killing horizon is a null hypersurface in a pseudo-Riemannian manifold which is invariant with respect to a one-parameter group of isometries of the manifold, and its null geodesic generator is an orbit of the group [1]. In a four-dimensional space-time, a two-dimensional spacelike Killing horizon surface is a marginally locally trapped surface whose future-directed null normals are not expanding. The generator of a Killing horizon, which is a null Killing vector field, has many interesting geometric properties explored in the works of Carter [1], Boyer [5], and Wald [6]. The reader can find the comprehensive presentation of many such properties in the meaty book Ref. [7].

Due to special features of a Killing horizon, the corresponding space-time structure takes a special form on and in the vicinity of it. In particular, the space-time geometry and the Einstein equations get simplified due to an enhancement of the space-time symmetries in space-times with the so-called extremal Killing horizon. The well-known example is that of the extreme Kerr black hole solution where the near-horizon geometry (the extreme Kerr throat) has enhanced symmetry, and, as a result, the Killing tensor becomes reducible (see, e.g., [8]). There are many examples of symmetry enhancement of the near-horizon geometry of extreme (as well as supersymmetric) horizons in four- and higher-dimensional space-times (see, e.g., [9–12] and references therein). There are other examples illustrating the special nature of a Killing horizon.

It was demonstrated that space-times of local four-dimensional vacuum black holes represented by static and axisymmetric Weyl solutions of the vacuum Einstein equations are of Petrov type I (algebraically general), but they become of Petrov type D on the horizon due to the “appearance” of two repeated principal null directions [13]. The same situation takes place for the horizon of a local four-dimensional static and axisymmetric black hole [14] and for the inner and outer horizons of a local four-dimensional static and axisymmetric electrically charged black hole [15]. It was shown that space-time scalar curvature invariants get greatly simplified when calculated on a Killing horizon (see, e.g., [14–18]).

In this paper we shall study geometric properties of Killing horizons in four-dimensional stationary and axisymmetric space-times with an electromagnetic field and a cosmological constant. We shall not be interested in the global space-time structure and shall study Killing horizons quasilocally. In this sense, the Killing horizon is a particular class of the so-called isolated horizons, which were defined and later extensively studied in, e.g., [19–25]. We shall focus on space-time curvature invariants calculated on a Killing horizon. There are 14 algebraically independent scalar invariants constructed from the Riemann curvature tensor [26]. Note that a space-time metric of a four-dimensional Lorentzian manifold can be completely characterized by scalar polynomial curvature invariants constructed from the Riemann tensor and its covariant derivatives, except for the case when its metric is of degenerate Kundt form [27]. Here, we will calculate the second-order space-time scalar curvature invariants—the Kretschmann, Chern-Pontryagin, and Euler invariants (see, e.g., [28])—on a stationary Killing horizon. Killing horizons considered in this paper are regular in the sense that these invariants are finite. The results derived here are an extension of the previous works [14–18] where the Kretschmann invariant was calculated on static Killing horizons. The Kretschmann scalar of a Killing horizon in a

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four-dimensional electrovacuum (without a magnetic field) static space-time was derived in [15],

$$\mathcal{K} \doteq 3(\mathcal{R} + F^2)^2 + 2F^4, \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathcal{R}$  is the Ricci scalar of the horizon two-dimensional spacelike surface and  $F^2 = F_{\alpha\beta}F^{\alpha\beta}$  is the electromagnetic field invariant.<sup>1</sup> Another work [18] contains a study of Killing horizons within the  $d$ -dimensional Einstein-Maxwell-dilaton model with a cosmological constant.

Beside an analysis of geometric properties of a Killing horizons, the sought relations have many applications. For instance, the expression of the Kretschmann scalar was used in [29,30] to prove the uniqueness theorems for the Schwarzschild and Reissner-Nordström black hole solutions. An investigation of properties of scalars and tensor invariants constructed from the Weyl tensor, the Killing vector, and their derivatives near a Killing horizon is necessary to calculate the vacuum energy density near a static four-dimensional black hole using the approximations of Page [31] and Brown [32] (see, e.g., [16]). Expressions involving second-order space-time scalar curvature invariants are useful for calculation of the vacuum and thermal stress-energy tensors in static space-times in the Killing approximation [17]. The relation (1) was used in [15] to analyze the curvature of the (inner) Cauchy horizon of a distorted, static, and axisymmetric Reissner-Nordström black hole by studying the curvature of its outer horizon. Such an analysis was possible due to a certain duality transformation between the black hole's horizons. The relations derived in this paper can help to analyze the curvature of the Cauchy horizon of a distorted, stationary, and axisymmetric Kerr-Newman black hole solution constructed in [33].

Our paper is organized as follows: In Sec. II we construct the metric of a stationary and axisymmetric space-time in  $(1+1+2)$ -split form that allows for the space-time foliation suitable for studying the Killing horizon surface. In Sec. III we derive relations between the space-time Riemann tensor components and the components of the Riemann tensor corresponding to the horizon surface. Section IV contains the Einstein equations of a stationary and axisymmetric space-time with an electromagnetic field (without a source) and a cosmological constant and expressions of the space-time curvature invariants in the form corresponding to the  $(1+1+2)$ -split of the metric. In Sec. V we define the Killing horizon and, using the results of the previous sections, calculate the space-time curvature invariants on the horizon surface. Section VI contains discussion of the derived results and presents them in terms of the gravitoelectric and gravitomagnetic fields as well as an illustrating example.

<sup>1</sup>In this paper we use the symbol  $\doteq$  to define a relation between quantities calculated on a Killing horizon.

In this paper we use the following convention of units:  $G = c = 1$ . The space-time signature is  $+2$ , and the sign conventions are those adopted in [34].

## II. SPACE-TIME SPLIT

In this section, we construct metric of a four-dimensional stationary and axisymmetric space-time and present it in  $(1+1+2)$ -split form. We consider a four-dimensional Lorentzian manifold  $(\mathcal{M}, g_{\alpha\beta})$ , where  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  satisfies the Einstein equations, which has a two-parameter Abelian group of isometries  $\{\varphi_t, \varphi_\phi\}$ . Orbits of  $\varphi_t$  are timelike at asymptotic infinity and orbits of  $\varphi_\phi$  are spacelike and closed. The generators of the group are the commuting Killing vector fields  $\xi_{(t)}$  and  $\xi_{(\phi)}$ , which are not orthogonal. We choose the space-time coordinates such that  $\xi_{(t)}^\alpha = \delta_t^\alpha$ , where  $t$  is time coordinate and  $\xi_{(\phi)}^\alpha = \delta_\phi^\alpha$ , where  $\phi$  is a spatial coordinate, which in the axisymmetric case is an azimuthal angular coordinate. A space-time is called stationary (pseudostationary, in the case when the Killing vector field  $\xi_{(t)}$  is not timelike everywhere), but not static, if the timelike Killing vector  $\xi_{(t)}^\alpha$  is not hypersurface orthogonal, i.e., the condition

$$\xi_{(t)}^{[\alpha} \nabla^\beta \xi_{(t)}^{\gamma]} = 0 \quad (2)$$

does not hold. Otherwise, it is called static, which is a special case of being stationary. Here and in what follows, the symbol  $\nabla$  stands for a covariant derivative defined with respect to the metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ .

Let us now consider a hypersurface  $\Sigma_t$  defined by  $t = \text{const}$ . We define a unit vector field  $\mathbf{n}$ ,  $\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{n} = \epsilon = \pm 1$ .<sup>2</sup> The vector field is defined to be stationary, i.e.  $\mathcal{L}_{\xi_{(t)}} \mathbf{n} = 0$  and hypersurface  $\Sigma_t$  orthogonal, i.e.  $n_\alpha \propto \delta_t^\alpha$ . Let  $\Sigma_t$  be spanned by the vectors  $e_{(a)}^\alpha = \delta_a^\alpha$ ,  $n_\alpha e_{(a)}^\alpha = 0$ , where small Latin letters  $(a, b, c, \dots)$  stand for coordinates on  $\Sigma_t$ , and let  $\gamma_{ab}$  be the induced metric on the hypersurface. Then, we can present the space-time metric as

$$g^{\alpha\beta} = \epsilon n^\alpha n^\beta + \gamma^{ab} e_{(a)}^\alpha e_{(b)}^\beta. \quad (3)$$

We shall assume that the conditions for Frobenius's theorem hold for the space-time of interest. Namely, using Wald's formulation of Frobenius's theorem [35], we say that for the given space-time (or in a simply connected open subdomain  $\mathcal{D}$ ) the following conditions hold:

C1:  $\xi_{(t)}^{[\alpha} \xi_{(\phi)}^{\beta]} \nabla^\gamma \xi_{(t)}^{\delta]}$  and  $\xi_{(t)}^{[\alpha} \xi_{(\phi)}^{\beta]} \nabla^\gamma \xi_{(\phi)}^{\delta]}$  vanish at least one point of the space-time;

C2:  $\xi_{(t)}^{[\alpha} \xi_{(\phi)}^{\beta]} R^{\gamma]}_{\delta} \xi_{(t)}^{\delta]} = \xi_{(t)}^{[\alpha} \xi_{(\phi)}^{\beta]} R^{\gamma]}_{\delta} \xi_{(\phi)}^{\delta]} = 0$ .

<sup>2</sup>Here, for generality, we consider both the cases when  $\epsilon = -1$ , corresponding to a space-time hypersurface where  $\mathbf{n}$  is timelike, and when  $\epsilon = +1$ , corresponding to a space-time hypersurface where  $\mathbf{n}$  is spacelike.

These conditions imply that the two-parametric Abelian group of isometries  $\{\varphi_t, \varphi_\phi\}$  is orthogonally transitive, and thus invertible in  $\mathcal{D}$  [1]. In other words, two-dimensional surfaces of transitivity of the isometry group which are spanned by the Killing vectors  $\xi_{(t)}$  and  $\xi_{(\phi)}$  are orthogonal to the family of surfaces of conjugate dimension. As a result, one can present the space-time metric as a direct sum of the metrics on the two-dimensional orthogonal surfaces [see Eqs. (10)–(12) below].

One of the cases to satisfy the conditions is to consider a vacuum space-time region, which contains a nonempty subset of fixed points of the group. Another, less trivial, example is the case of electromagnetic space-times, which we consider here. It was showed by Carter [1,2] that the conditions hold for a stationary and axisymmetric electromagnetic field. Because the metric tensor is invertible, an addition of a cosmological constant to the Einstein equations does not violate the conditions.

We choose  $e_{(\phi)}^\alpha = \xi_{(\phi)}^\alpha$ . Then the Killing vector  $\xi_{(t)}^\alpha$  lies in a two-dimensional subspace spanned by  $\{\mathbf{n}, \xi_{(\phi)}\}$ . We define

$$\xi_{(t)} \cdot \mathbf{n} = k, \quad \xi_{(\phi)} \cdot \xi_{(\phi)} = \gamma_{\phi\phi}, \quad \xi_{(t)} \cdot \xi_{(\phi)} = \omega\gamma_{\phi\phi}, \quad (4)$$

where  $k$  and  $\omega$  are some scalar functions. Then,

$$\xi_{(t)} = k\mathbf{n} + \omega\xi_{(\phi)}. \quad (5)$$

In the coordinate basis  $(t, x^a)$ ,

$$n^\alpha = k^{-1}(\delta^\alpha_t - \omega^a \delta^\alpha_a), \quad \omega^a = \omega \delta^a_\phi, \quad n_\alpha = \epsilon k \delta^\alpha_t, \quad (6)$$

and the metric (3) takes the following form:

$$g^{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon/k^2 & -\epsilon\omega^b/k^2 \\ -\epsilon\omega^a/k^2 & \gamma^{ab} + \epsilon\omega^a\omega^b/k^2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (7)$$

The covariant form of the space-time metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  is

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon k^2 + \omega^c \omega_c & \omega_a \\ \omega_b & \gamma_{ab} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (8)$$

Here  $\gamma_{ac}\gamma^{cb} = \delta_a^b$  and Latin indices of the objects living in  $\Sigma_t$  are lowered and raised by  $\gamma_{ab}$  and  $\gamma^{ab}$ , respectively, e.g.,  $\omega_a = \gamma_{ab}\omega^b$ .

To further specify our metric, we assume that  $\nabla_\alpha k \nabla^\alpha k$  vanishes nowhere in the domain of interest. Thus, one can take  $k$  as one of the space-time coordinates and define  $e_{(k)}^\alpha = \delta_k^\alpha$ . We denote by  $x$  the remaining spatial coordinate, such that  $e_{(x)}^\alpha = \delta_x^\alpha$ . Let us consider a two-dimensional spacelike surface  $\Sigma_{t,k}$  defined by  $t, k = \text{const.}$  and spanned

by  $\{e_{(x)}^\alpha, e_{(\phi)}^\alpha\}$  with the metric  $h_{AB}$  ( $x^A = (x, \phi)$ ) on it, which can always be brought to diagonal form. The spacelike vector  $\nabla_\alpha k = \delta_\alpha^k$  is orthogonal to such a surface and we define

$$\nabla_\alpha k \nabla^\alpha k = \delta_\alpha^k g^{\alpha\beta} \delta_\beta^k = g^{kk} = -\epsilon\kappa^2, \quad (9)$$

so that for different signs of  $\epsilon$  the metric signature is preserved.

As a result, the metric (8) can be written in the following form:

$$ds^2 = (\epsilon k^2 + \omega^c \omega_c) dt^2 + 2\omega_a dt dx^a + \gamma_{ab} dx^a dx^b, \quad (10)$$

$$\gamma_{ab} dx^a dx^b = -\epsilon\kappa^{-2} dk^2 + h_{AB} dx^A dx^B, \quad (11)$$

$$h_{AB} dx^A dx^B = h_{xx} dx^2 + h_{\phi\phi} d\phi^2. \quad (12)$$

The expressions (10)–(12) define a  $(1 + 1 + 2)$  split of the space-time. We shall use capital Latin letters  $(A, B, C, \dots)$  for the horizon surface coordinates.

### III. REDUCTION OF THE CURVATURE TENSOR

In this section we define relations between the Riemann curvature tensor of the four-dimensional space-time and geometrical quantities of a two-dimensional surface  $\Sigma_{t,k}$ . This procedure we shall accomplish in two steps. In the first step, we consider relations between the four-dimensional Riemann curvature tensor and the intrinsic and extrinsic geometry of a hypersurface  $\Sigma_t$ . Such relations can be found by introducing the projection tensor

$$P_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta} - \epsilon n_\alpha n_\beta, \quad (13)$$

and using the definition of the Riemann tensor (for details see, e.g., [34,36,37]). The relations are the following:

$$R^\alpha{}_{\alpha\beta b} n_\alpha n^\beta = \bar{S}_{ac} \bar{S}^c{}_b - k^{-1}(\epsilon k_{|ab} - [\mathcal{L}_\omega \bar{S}]_{ab} + \bar{S}_{ab,t}), \quad (14)$$

$$R^\alpha{}_{abc} n_\alpha = \bar{S}_{ab|c} - \bar{S}_{ac|b}, \quad (15)$$

$$R_{abcd} = \bar{R}_{abcd} - \epsilon(\bar{S}_{ac} \bar{S}_{bd} - \bar{S}_{ad} \bar{S}_{bc}), \quad (16)$$

where  $\bar{S}_{ab}$  is the extrinsic curvature of a hypersurface  $\Sigma_t$  defined as

$$\bar{S}_{\alpha\beta} = \bar{S}_{\beta\alpha} \equiv P^\mu{}_\alpha P^\nu{}_\beta \nabla_\mu n_\nu, \quad (17)$$

$$\bar{S}_{ab} = -k^{-1} \omega_{(a|b)} + \frac{1}{2} k^{-1} \gamma_{ab,t}, \quad (18)$$

(although the last term vanishes, we shall keep it for the second step),  $\mathcal{L}_\omega \bar{S}$  is the Lie derivative of  $\bar{S}_{ab}$  in the direction of the vector field  $\omega$ ,

$$[\mathcal{L}_\omega \bar{\mathcal{S}}]_{ab} = \bar{\mathcal{S}}_{ab,c} \omega^c + \bar{\mathcal{S}}_{cb} \omega^c{}_{,a} + \bar{\mathcal{S}}_{ac} \omega^c{}_{,b}, \quad (19)$$

and  $\bar{R}_{abcd}$  is the Riemann tensor corresponding to the metric  $\gamma_{ab}$ . Here and in what follows, the barred geometric quantities correspond to hypersurfaces  $\Sigma_t$ , and the stroke | stands for the covariant derivative defined with respect to the metric  $\gamma_{ab}$ .

Using the relations (14)–(16), we derive the following components of the Riemann tensor:

$$R^t{}_{bc} = k^{-1} H^a{}_{bc}, \quad (20)$$

$$R^b{}_{cd} = \bar{R}^b{}_{cd} - Q_{cd}^{ab} - 2k^{-1} \omega^{[a} H^{b]}{}_{cd}, \quad (21)$$

$$R^t{}_{tb} = k^{-1} \omega^c H^a{}_{cb} - Q_{bc}^{ac} - k^{-1} (k^{[a} |_{b} - L_b^a), \quad (22)$$

$$R^{bc}{}_{ta} = \omega^d (\bar{R}^{bc}{}_{da} - Q_{da}^{bc}) + 2\omega^{[b} Q_{ad}^{c]d} + \epsilon k H^a{}_{bc} - 2k^{-1} (\omega^d \omega^{[b} H^{c]}{}_{da} - \omega^{[b} k^{c]}{}_{|a} + \omega^{[b} L_a^c]), \quad (23)$$

where

$$H^a{}_{bc} = 2\epsilon \bar{\mathcal{S}}^a{}_{[b|c]}, \quad Q_{cd}^{ab} = 2\epsilon \bar{\mathcal{S}}^a{}_{[c} \bar{\mathcal{S}}^b{}_{d]}, \quad L_b^a = \epsilon [\mathcal{L}_\omega \bar{\mathcal{S}}]_b^a. \quad (24)$$

In the second step, we write the components of the three-dimensional Riemann tensor  $\bar{R}_{abcd}$  in terms of geometric quantities corresponding to a two-dimensional surface  $\Sigma_{t,k}$ . Applying the replacements corresponding to  $g_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow \gamma_{ab}$ ,

$$\epsilon \rightarrow -\epsilon, \quad t \rightarrow k, \quad k \rightarrow \kappa^{-1}, \quad \omega_a \rightarrow 0, \quad \gamma_{ab} \rightarrow h_{AB}, \\ R^{\alpha\beta}{}_{\gamma\delta} \rightarrow \bar{R}^{ab}{}_{cd}, \quad \bar{R}^b{}_{cd} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{AB}{}_{CD}, \quad \bar{\mathcal{S}}_{ab} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}_{AB}, \quad (25)$$

to the relations (20)–(23) we derive

$$\bar{R}^{AB}{}_{CD} = \mathcal{R}^{AB}{}_{CD} + \epsilon (\mathcal{S}^A{}_C \mathcal{S}^B{}_D - \mathcal{S}^A{}_D \mathcal{S}^B{}_C), \quad (26)$$

$$\bar{R}^{kA}{}_{BC} = -\epsilon \kappa (\mathcal{S}^A{}_{B;C} - \mathcal{S}^A{}_{C;B}), \quad (27)$$

$$\bar{R}^{BC}{}_{kA} = \kappa^{-1} (\mathcal{S}^B{}_{A;C} - \mathcal{S}^C{}_{A;B}), \quad (28)$$

$$\bar{R}^{kA}{}_{kB} = \epsilon \kappa h^{AC} \mathcal{S}_{CB,k} - \epsilon \mathcal{S}^A{}_C \mathcal{S}^C{}_B - \kappa (\kappa^{-1}){}^{;A}{}_{;B}, \quad (29)$$

where  $\mathcal{R}_{ABCD}$  is the Riemann tensor of a two-dimensional surface  $\Sigma_{t,k}$ ,

$$\mathcal{R}^{AB}{}_{CD} = \frac{1}{2} (\delta^A{}_C \delta^B{}_D - \delta^A{}_D \delta^B{}_C) \mathcal{R}, \quad (30)$$

$$\mathcal{R}^{AB}{}_{CD} \mathcal{R}^{CD}{}_{AB} = \mathcal{R}^2, \quad \mathcal{R}^A{}_B = \frac{1}{2} \delta^A{}_B \mathcal{R}, \quad (31)$$

where  $\mathcal{R}$  is its Ricci scalar and  $\mathcal{S}_{AB}$  is its extrinsic curvature,

$$\mathcal{S}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \kappa h_{AB,k}. \quad (32)$$

Here and in what follows, the semicolon stands for the covariant derivative defined with respect to the two-dimensional metric  $h_{AB}$ .

To express the other four-dimensional quantities that enter the expressions (20)–(23) in terms of two-dimensional ones, we shall use the Christoffel symbols corresponding to the metric  $\gamma_{ab}$ ,

$$\bar{\Gamma}^k{}_{kk} = -\kappa^{-1} \kappa_{,k}, \quad \bar{\Gamma}^k{}_{kA} = -\kappa^{-1} \kappa_{,A}, \quad \bar{\Gamma}^k{}_{AB} = \epsilon \kappa \mathcal{S}_{AB}, \\ \bar{\Gamma}^A{}_{kk} = -\epsilon \kappa^{-3} \kappa^A, \quad \bar{\Gamma}^A{}_{kB} = \kappa^{-1} \mathcal{S}^A{}_B, \quad \bar{\Gamma}^A{}_{BC} = \pi^A{}_{BC}, \quad (33)$$

where  $\pi^A{}_{BC}$ 's are the Christoffel symbols associated with the metric  $h_{AB}$ ,

$$\pi_{xxx} = \frac{1}{2} h_{xx,x}, \quad \pi_{x\phi\phi} = -\frac{1}{2} h_{\phi\phi,x}, \quad \pi_{\phi x\phi} = \frac{1}{2} h_{\phi\phi,x}. \quad (34)$$

Then, for the metric (8) we derive

$$k^{[k}{}_{|k} = -\epsilon \kappa \kappa_{,k}, \quad k^{[k}{}_{|A} = -\epsilon \kappa \kappa_{,A}, \quad k^{[A}{}_{|k} = \kappa^{-1} \kappa^A, \quad (35)$$

$$k^{[A}{}_{|B} = -\epsilon \kappa \mathcal{S}^A{}_B, \quad k^{[a}{}_{|a} = -\epsilon \kappa (\kappa_{,k} + \mathcal{S}), \quad \mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}^A{}_A. \quad (36)$$

The nonzero extrinsic curvature components read

$$\bar{\mathcal{S}}_{kA} = -\frac{1}{2} k^{-1} h_{\phi\phi} \omega_{,k} \delta^{\phi}{}_{A}, \quad \bar{\mathcal{S}}_{AB} = -k^{-1} h_{\phi\phi} \delta^{\phi}{}_{(A} \omega_{,B)}. \quad (37)$$

Note that because  $\phi$  is a Killing coordinate,  $\bar{\mathcal{S}}^a{}_a = 0$ .

The expressions above allow us to present the four-dimensional components of the Riemann and Ricci tensors in terms of the two-dimensional ones, associated with the metric  $h_{AB}$  and the four-dimensional metric functions.

#### IV. THE EINSTEIN EQUATIONS AND CURVATURE INVARIANTS

In this section we construct the Einstein equations corresponding to stationary space-time, Eqs. (10)–(12), with an electromagnetic field and a cosmological constant, and derive expressions for scalar curvature invariants. The Einstein equations read

$$R^\alpha{}_\beta = \Lambda \delta^\alpha{}_\beta + 8\pi \left( T^\alpha{}_\beta - \frac{1}{2} T \delta^\alpha{}_\beta \right), \quad T = T^\alpha{}_\alpha. \quad (38)$$

##### A. The electromagnetic field

Here we shall consider an electromagnetic field without sources in a simply connected space-time domain  $\mathcal{D}$ . The electromagnetic stress-energy tensor is

$$T_{\beta}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( F^{\alpha\gamma} F_{\beta\gamma} - \frac{1}{4} \delta^{\alpha}_{\beta} F^2 \right), \quad F^2 = F_{\alpha\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}, \quad (39)$$

and  $T = 0$ . The electromagnetic field tensor  $F_{\alpha\beta}$  can be derived from a 4-vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$  which will be assumed to satisfy the group invariance conditions

$$\mathfrak{L}_{\xi_{(t)}} \mathbf{A} = 0, \quad \mathfrak{L}_{\xi_{(\phi)}} \mathbf{A} = 0, \quad (40)$$

and the electromagnetic potential circularity condition [2],

$$A_{[\alpha} \xi_{(t)\beta} \xi_{(\phi)\gamma]} = 0. \quad (41)$$

As a result, it depends only on the  $k$  and  $x$  coordinates and can be presented in the form

$$A_{\alpha} = -\Phi \delta^t_{\alpha} + \mathcal{A} \delta^{\phi}_{\alpha}, \quad (42)$$

where  $\Phi = \Phi(k, x)$  and  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}(k, x)$ . The corresponding electromagnetic field tensor  $F_{\alpha\beta} = A_{\beta,\alpha} - A_{\alpha,\beta}$  has the following components:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{ta} &= -F_{at} = \Phi_{,a}, & F_{ab} &= 2\mathcal{A}_{[a} \delta_{b]}^{\phi}, \\ F^{ta} &= -F^{at} = \epsilon k^{-2} (\Phi^{,a} + \omega \mathcal{A}^{,a}), \\ F^{ab} &= 2(h^{\phi\phi} \mathcal{A}^{[a} + \omega F^{t[a} \delta^{b]}) \delta^{\phi]}_{\phi}. \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

The Maxwell equations for a source-free electromagnetic field read

$$\nabla_{\beta} F^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} (\sqrt{-g} F^{\alpha\beta})_{,\beta} = 0, \quad (44)$$

where  $g = \det(g_{\alpha\beta}) = -k^2 \kappa^{-2} h$  and  $h = \det(h_{AB})$ . Using the expressions (43) the Maxwell equations can be written in the form

$$\begin{aligned} [k^{-1} \kappa^{-1} \sqrt{h} (\Phi^{,a} + \omega \mathcal{A}^{,a})]_{,a} &= 0, \\ k^{-1} \kappa^{-1} \sqrt{h} \omega_{,a} (\Phi^{,a} + \omega \mathcal{A}^{,a}) + \epsilon [k \kappa^{-1} \sqrt{h} h^{\phi\phi} \mathcal{A}^{,a}]_{,a} &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (45)$$

The electromagnetic field invariant and energy density are the following:

$$\begin{aligned} F^2 &= 2\mathcal{A}_{,a} \mathcal{A}^{,a} h^{\phi\phi} + 2\epsilon k^{-2} (\Phi_{,a} + \omega \mathcal{A}_{,a}) (\Phi^{,a} + \omega \mathcal{A}^{,a}), \\ \mathcal{E} &= \frac{\epsilon}{16\pi} (F^2 - 4\mathcal{A}_{,a} \mathcal{A}^{,a} h^{\phi\phi}). \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

## B. The Einstein equations

The Ricci tensor components and the Ricci scalar read

$$\begin{aligned} R^t_t &= R^{ta}_{ta}, & R^t_a &= R^{tb}_{ab}, & R^a_t &= R^{ab}_{tb}, \\ R^a_b &= R^{ta}_{tb} + R^{ac}_{bc}, & R &= 2R^{ta}_{ta} + R^{ab}_{ab}. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

With the aid of the expressions (20)–(23) and (47), the Einstein equations (38) can be written as follows:

$$k^{-1} H^b_{ab} = 8\pi T^t_a, \quad W^{ab}_{ab} = 2\Lambda + 2\tilde{T}^a_a, \quad (48)$$

$$V^a_b - Q^{ac}_{bc} - k^{-1} (k^{[a} |_{b} - L^a_b) = 0, \quad (49)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} W^{ab}_{cd} &= \bar{R}^{ab}_{cd} - Q^{ab}_{cd}, & \tilde{T}^a_b &= 8\pi (T^a_b + \omega^a T^t_b), \\ V^a_b &= W^{ac}_{bc} - \tilde{T}^a_b - \Lambda \delta^a_b. \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

## C. The scalar curvature invariants

As we mentioned in the introduction, in this paper we consider the Kretschmann, Chern-Pontryagin, and Euler curvature invariants defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_1 &= R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} C^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + 2R_{\alpha\beta} R^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{3} R^2, \\ \mathcal{K}_2 &= {}^* R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = {}^* C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} C^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}, \\ \mathcal{K}_3 &= {}^* R^*_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = -C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} C^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} + 2R_{\alpha\beta} R^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{2}{3} R^2, \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

respectively. Here  $C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$  is the Weyl tensor, and the star symbol stands for the left and right Hodge dual quantities, e.g.,

$${}^* R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu} R^{\mu\nu}_{\gamma\delta}, \quad R^*_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{\gamma\delta\mu\nu} R_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\mu\nu}. \quad (52)$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} \epsilon_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} &= \sqrt{-g} \bar{\epsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}, & \epsilon^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} &= \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}}{\sqrt{-g}}, \\ \bar{\epsilon}_{tkx\phi} &= +1, & \bar{\epsilon}^{tkx\phi} &= -1 \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

is a four-dimensional Levi-Civita pseudotensor.

Using the expressions of this section and the Riemann tensor components (20)–(23) we can write the Kretschmann and Chern-Pontryagin invariants in the form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_1 &= R^{ab}_{cd} R^{cd}_{ab} + 4R^{ta}_{bc} R^{bc}_{ta} + 4R^{ta}_{tb} R^{tb}_{ta} \\ &= W^{ab}_{cd} W^{cd}_{ab} + 4V^a_b V^b_a + 4\epsilon H^a_{bc} H^{bc}_a, \end{aligned} \quad (54)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_2 &= {}^* R^{ab}_{cd} R^{cd}_{ab} + 2({}^* R^{ta}_{bc} R^{bc}_{ta} + {}^* R^{bc}_{ta} R^{ta}_{bc}) \\ &\quad + 4{}^* R^{ta}_{tb} R^{tb}_{ta} \\ &= 2\epsilon_a{}^{bc} (H^a{}_{de} W^{de}_{bc} - 2H^d{}_{bc} V^a_d). \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_{abc} &= \sqrt{|\gamma|} \bar{\epsilon}_{abc}, & \epsilon^{abc} &= \frac{\bar{\epsilon}^{abc}}{\sqrt{|\gamma|}}, \\ \gamma &= \det(\gamma_{ab}) = -\epsilon \kappa^{-2} h, \\ \bar{\epsilon}_{kx\phi} &= +1, & \bar{\epsilon}^{kx\phi} &= -\epsilon\end{aligned}\quad (56)$$

is a three-dimensional Levi-Civita pseudotensor. Note that according to the definition of  $H^a{}_{bc}$  [see (24)], we have  $\epsilon^{abc} H_{abc} = 0$ .

The Euler curvature invariant can be derived from the Kretschmann invariant, the square of the Ricci tensor  $R_{\alpha\beta} R^{\alpha\beta}$ , and the Ricci scalar  $R$ ,

$$R^\alpha{}_\beta R^\beta{}_\alpha = 4\Lambda^2 + 64\pi^2 T^\alpha{}_\beta T^\beta{}_\alpha, \quad (57)$$

$$R = R^\alpha{}_\alpha = 4\Lambda, \quad (58)$$

through the following expression:

$$\mathcal{K}_3 = 4R_{\alpha\beta} R^{\alpha\beta} - R^2 - \mathcal{K}_1. \quad (59)$$

## V. GEOMETRIC PROPERTIES OF THE KILLING HORIZON

### A. Killing horizon

Let us consider the Killing vector field

$$\chi = \xi_{(t)} + \Omega \xi_{(\phi)}, \quad (60)$$

where  $\Omega = \text{const}$ . We have

$$\chi \cdot \chi = \epsilon k^2 + (\omega^2 + 2\omega\Omega + \Omega^2) \gamma_{\phi\phi}, \quad (61)$$

and the condition

$$\omega \stackrel{\circ}{=} -\Omega, \quad (62)$$

implies that  $k = 0$  is a Killing horizon, i.e.,  $\chi \cdot \chi \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0$ . According to this condition,  $\chi$  is hypersurface orthogonal on  $k = 0$ , i.e.,  $\chi_{[a} \nabla_{\beta} \chi_{\gamma]} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0$ . A meaning of the condition (62) can be seen from the definition of the angular velocity of a horizon,

$$\Omega^{\mathcal{H}} \stackrel{\circ}{=} -\frac{g_{t\phi}}{g_{\phi\phi}} = \Omega, \quad (63)$$

which implies that the Killing horizon rotates as though it were a solid body; i.e., the condition (62) implies rigidity of the Killing horizon.

The metric function  $\kappa$  calculated on the Killing horizon coincides with its surface gravity,

$$\kappa^2 \stackrel{\circ}{=} \frac{\epsilon}{2} \lim_{k \rightarrow 0} (\nabla_\alpha \chi_\beta) (\nabla^\alpha \chi^\beta). \quad (64)$$

If  $\kappa$  vanishes on the Killing horizon, it is called degenerate (or extremal), otherwise, it is called nondegenerate (or nonextremal). In the following calculations we shall assume that  $\kappa \neq 0$ .

The Killing horizon is a totally geodesic hypersurface [5], which implies its extrinsic curvature vanishes [38]. To calculate the extrinsic curvature of a hypersurface  $\Sigma_k$  ( $k = \text{const.}$ ) we define a unit vector  $N_\alpha$  orthogonal to it,

$$N_\alpha = -\epsilon \kappa^{-1} \delta_\alpha{}^k, \quad N^\alpha = \kappa \delta^\alpha{}_k, \quad N^\alpha N_\alpha = -\epsilon, \quad (65)$$

and the corresponding projection tensor,

$$\Pi_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta} + \epsilon N_\alpha N_\beta. \quad (66)$$

The extrinsic curvature of a hypersurface  $\Sigma_k$  is defined as

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{\alpha\beta} = \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{\beta\alpha} \equiv \Pi_\alpha{}^\mu \Pi_\beta{}^\nu \nabla_\mu N_\nu, \quad (67)$$

and its nonzero components read

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{tt} &= \epsilon \kappa k + \kappa \omega h_{\phi\phi} \omega_{,k} + \frac{1}{2} \kappa \omega^2 h_{\phi\phi,k}, \\ \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{tA} &= \frac{1}{2} \kappa (h_{\phi\phi} \omega)_{,k} \delta_A^\phi, & \tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{AB} &= \mathcal{S}_{AB} = \frac{1}{2} \kappa h_{AB,k}.\end{aligned}\quad (68)$$

Thus, for a nondegenerate Killing horizon we have

$$\omega_{,k} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0 \quad h_{AB,k} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0. \quad (69)$$

Geometric and field invariants are finite on a regular Killing horizon. In particular, the invariants  $Q_{ab}^{ab}$  and  $F^2$  are finite on  $k = 0$ . Thus, according to the expressions (37) [see (62) as well] and the Maxwell equations (45), we have

$$\omega_{,A} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0, \quad \Phi_{,k} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0, \quad \mathcal{A}_{,k} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0, \quad \Phi_{,A} + \omega \mathcal{A}_{,A} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0. \quad (70)$$

We consider the metric and the field functions  $\varphi(k, x) = \{\omega, \kappa, h_{AB}, \Phi + \omega \mathcal{A}\}$  on and at the vicinity of the Killing horizon of class  $C^r$ ,  $r \geq 2$  in our coordinates. Then according to the Schwarz's (Clairaut's) theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}\lim_{k \rightarrow 0} k^{-1} \varphi_{,A} &= \varphi_{,Ak}(0, x^A) = \varphi_{,kA}(0, x^A) \\ &= \lim_{\Delta x^A \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi_{,k}(0, x^A + \Delta x^A) - \varphi_{,k}(0, x^A)}{\Delta x^A} = 0,\end{aligned}\quad (71)$$

where the last equality follows from (69) and (70). Using these conditions and taking the limit  $k \rightarrow 0$  in the expression (37) one can show that

$$\tilde{\mathcal{S}}_{AB} \stackrel{\circ}{=} 0, \quad (72)$$

and  $\bar{S}_{kA}$  is finite on the horizon. As a result, the Lie derivative of  $\bar{S}_{ab}$  (19) vanishes on the horizon. Then, using the Einstein equations (48)–(49) one can see that  $k^{|a|}_{|b}$  vanishes on the horizon and the expressions (35)–(36) give

$$\kappa_{,k} \doteq 0, \quad \kappa_{,A} \doteq 0. \quad (73)$$

Thus, the quantities  $\omega$ ,  $\kappa$ , and  $\Phi + \omega\mathcal{A}$  are constant on the Killing horizon. This result is well known. It can be derived by using geometric properties of Killing horizons derived in [5] and [6] (see [7]). The derivation presented here includes the  $k$ -derivatives of the functions which are used in the derivation of our main results.

### B. Curvature invariants on the Killing Horizon

In this subsection we derive the relations between the space-time curvature invariants calculated on the Killing horizon. Using the results of the previous subsection and the expressions (26)–(31) we derive

$$\begin{aligned} W_{kB}^{kA} &\doteq M_B^A + M\delta_\phi^A\delta_B^\phi - \frac{1}{4}\delta^A_B(\mathcal{R} + F^2 - 2\Lambda), \\ W_{BC}^{kA} &\doteq 0, \quad W_{kA}^{BC} \doteq 0, \\ W_{CD}^{AB} &\doteq \frac{\mathcal{R}}{2}(\delta^A_C\delta^B_D - \delta^A_D\delta^B_C), \\ \tilde{T}_k^k &\doteq \frac{1}{2}F^2 - 2M, \quad \tilde{T}_A^k \doteq 0, \\ \tilde{T}_k^A &\doteq 0, \quad \tilde{T}_B^A \doteq 2M_B^A + 2M\delta_\phi^A\delta_B^\phi - \frac{1}{2}F^2\delta^A_B, \end{aligned} \quad (74)$$

where

$$M_B^A = h^{\phi\phi}\mathcal{A}^A\mathcal{A}_{,B}, \quad M = M_A^A. \quad (75)$$

Using this result we derive the following expressions of the curvature invariants on the Killing horizon:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}_1 &\doteq 3\left(\mathcal{R} + \epsilon\tilde{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda\right)^2 + 4\epsilon H_{abc}H^{abc} + 2\tilde{\mathcal{E}}^2 + \frac{8}{3}\Lambda^2, \\ \mathcal{K}_2 &\doteq 6\epsilon^{aAB}H_{aAB}\left(\mathcal{R} + \epsilon\tilde{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda\right), \\ \mathcal{K}_3 &\doteq -3\left(\mathcal{R} + \epsilon\tilde{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda\right)^2 - 4\epsilon H_{abc}H^{abc} + 2\tilde{\mathcal{E}}^2 - \frac{8}{3}\Lambda^2, \\ R_{\alpha\beta}R^{\alpha\beta} &\doteq \tilde{\mathcal{E}}^2 + 4\Lambda^2, \quad R = 4\Lambda, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{E}} = 16\pi\mathcal{E}. \end{aligned} \quad (76)$$

The factor  $\epsilon = \pm 1$ , which enters the expressions, suggests a discontinuity in the space-time curvature invariants in the case when the Killing horizon separates the space-time into the regions where the vector  $\mathbf{n}$  is timelike and spacelike. However, such a discontinuity is not present, for there is another such factor “hidden” in the stationary term  $H_{abc}H^{abc}$ , so that effectively one has  $\epsilon^2 = 1$ .

The expressions (76) are the main result of our paper. The expressions in the preceding subsection were derived for a nondegenerate Killing horizon. However, assuming that the space-time admits the limit of  $\kappa \rightarrow 0$ , which can be accomplished by the corresponding limit of the space-time parameters, the final result (76) remains valid for a degenerate Killing horizon as well. The derived expressions generalize the curvature invariants constructed in [18] for a static Killing horizon to the stationary one.<sup>3</sup>

## VI. DISCUSSION

Let us summarize our results. We studied the geometric properties of stationary and axisymmetric Killing horizons. Such horizons have zero extrinsic curvature, constant surface gravity, angular velocity, and electromagnetic field (the combination  $\Phi + \omega\mathcal{A}$ ) and the derivatives of these quantities (except for the extrinsic curvature) in the direction orthogonal to the horizon surface vanish. We derived the relations between the Kretschmann, Chern-Pontryagin, and Euler space-time curvature invariants, as well as the square of the Ricci tensor and the Ricci scalar, calculated on a Killing horizon in terms of the geometric quantities corresponding to the horizon’s surface. These relations are generalizations of the analogous known relations for horizons of static four-dimensional electrovacuum space-times [see (1)].

There is a direct analogy between the electromagnetic field tensor  $F_{\alpha\beta}$  and the Weyl tensor  $C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$ . Namely, there are the gravitoelectric and gravitomagnetic parts of the Weyl tensor (see, e.g., [37,39–41]) which we define as follows:

$$\mathcal{E}_{\alpha\beta} = C_{\alpha\gamma\beta\delta}u^\gamma u^\delta, \quad \mathcal{B}_{\alpha\beta} = {}^*C_{\alpha\gamma\beta\delta}u^\gamma u^\delta, \quad (77)$$

where  $u^\alpha = -\epsilon n^\alpha$  [cf. (6)] is the zero-angular-momentum observer’s (ZAMO’s) 4-velocity (see, e.g., [39,40]). Because these fields are orthogonal to  $\mathbf{n}$ , they live on a hypersurface  $\Sigma_t$  and are effectively three-dimensional tensor fields. According to the symmetries of the Weyl tensor, they are symmetric and traceless. As a result, the Weyl invariants  $C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}C^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$  and  ${}^*C_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}C^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$  are analogous to the electromagnetic field invariants,  $F_{\alpha\beta}F^{\alpha\beta} = 2(\mathbf{B}^2 - \mathbf{E}^2)$  and  ${}^*F_{\alpha\beta}F^{\alpha\beta} = 4\mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B}$ , where  $\mathbf{E}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are electric and magnetic fields, respectively.

One can evaluate the gravitoelectric field component which is orthogonal to the horizon surface,

$$\mathcal{E}_k^k \doteq \frac{\epsilon}{2}\left(\mathcal{R} + \epsilon\tilde{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda\right). \quad (78)$$

<sup>3</sup>In order to compare the expressions, the electromagnetic field invariant given in the paper [18] has to be rescaled as follows:  $F^2 \rightarrow 4F^2$ .

This expression is a generalization of Hartle's curvature formula, which was derived by using the Newman-Penrose formalism (see, e.g., [40,42]). It is interesting to note that there is an additional additive contribution (not only through the space-time metric) to the scalar curvature of the horizon surface from the electromagnetic field energy density and the  $\Lambda$  term. We can express the Weyl invariants in terms of  $\mathcal{E}^{ab}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_{ab}$  as follows:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}\mathcal{C}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = 8(\mathcal{E}_{ab}\mathcal{E}^{ab} - \mathcal{B}_{ab}\mathcal{B}^{ab}), \quad (79)$$

$${}^*\mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}\mathcal{C}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = 16\mathcal{E}_{ab}\mathcal{B}^{ab}. \quad (80)$$

A comparison with the expressions (76) implies

$$\mathcal{E}_{ab}\mathcal{E}^{ab} \doteq \frac{3}{8}\left(\mathcal{R} + \epsilon\tilde{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda\right)^2, \quad (81)$$

$$\mathcal{B}_{ab}\mathcal{B}^{ab} \doteq -\frac{\epsilon}{2}H_{abc}H^{abc}, \quad (82)$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{ab}\mathcal{B}^{ab} \doteq \frac{3}{8}\epsilon^{aAB}H_{aAB}\left(\mathcal{R} + \epsilon\tilde{\mathcal{E}} - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda\right). \quad (83)$$

The gravitomagnetic part (82), which is analogous to the electromagnetic expression  $\mathbf{B}^2 = (\nabla \times \mathbf{A})^2$ , is due to the extrinsic curvature  $\tilde{S}_{ab}$  of a hypersurface  $\Sigma_t$ , which, in turn, is analogous to the vector potential  $\mathbf{A}$ . The curvature occurs due to the twist metric function  $\omega$ . Such a twist gives an additional contribution to the space-time curvature on the Killing horizon. Thus, the expressions (83) allow to present the curvature invariants (76) in terms of the gravitoelectric and gravitomagnetic fields calculated by ZAMO at the horizon. Note that as in the case of the electromagnetic field invariants, the Weyl invariants  $\mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}\mathcal{C}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$  and  ${}^*\mathcal{C}_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}\mathcal{C}^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}$  are observer independent.

The Killing horizon considered here is a rigid rotating ZAMO surface, which belongs to a family of ZAMO surfaces of the given space-time. For the Kerr space-time such a family, which includes both the event and the Cauchy horizons of a Kerr black hole, was constructed and analyzed in [43].

### A. Example: Kerr black hole

To illustrate the derived results let us consider the Kerr black hole space-time. The Kerr metric given in the Boyer-Lindquist coordinates (see, e.g., [7]) reads

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 = & -\left(1 - \frac{2Mr}{\Sigma}\right)dt^2 - \frac{4Mar\sin^2\theta}{\Sigma}dt d\phi \\ & + \frac{\Sigma}{\Delta}dr^2 + \Sigma d\theta^2 \\ & + \left(r^2 + a^2 + \frac{2Ma^2r\sin^2\theta}{\Sigma}\right)\sin^2\theta d\phi^2, \\ \Sigma = & r^2 + a^2\cos^2\theta, \quad \Delta = r^2 - 2Mr + a^2. \end{aligned} \quad (84)$$

The constants  $M$  and  $a$  represent the mass and the angular momentum per unit mass,  $a = J/M$ , of the black hole, as measured at the asymptotically flat infinity. It is convenient to introduce the coordinate transformations

$$r = m\left(x + \frac{1 + \alpha^2}{1 - \alpha^2}\right), \quad \cos\theta = y, \quad |\alpha| \in (0, 1), \quad (85)$$

where the parameters  $m$  and  $\alpha$  are related to  $M$  and  $a$  as follows:

$$M = m\left(\frac{1 + \alpha^2}{1 - \alpha^2}\right), \quad a = \frac{2m\alpha}{1 - \alpha^2}. \quad (86)$$

The black hole horizons are defined by  $x_{\pm} = \pm 1$ , where '+' stands for the event horizon and '-' stands for the Cauchy horizon of the black hole.

Matching the Kerr black hole metric  $\{g_{tt}, g_{t\phi}, g_{xx}, g_{yy}, g_{\phi\phi}\}$  with the metric (10)–(12) gives

$$\begin{aligned} k = \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{g^{tt}}}, \quad \omega = \frac{g_{t\phi}}{g_{\phi\phi}}, \\ \gamma_{ab} = \{g_{xx}, g_{yy}, g_{\phi\phi}\}, \quad h_{AB} = \{g_{yy}, g_{\phi\phi}\}. \end{aligned} \quad (87)$$

Using the definitions of  $\mathcal{R}$ ,  $H_{abc}$ , and  $\epsilon_{abc}$ , and taking  $\epsilon = -1$ , we derive

$$\mathcal{R}_{\pm} = \frac{(1 + \alpha^{\pm 2})(1 - \alpha^{\pm 2})^2(1 - 3\alpha^{\pm 2}y^2)}{2m^2(1 + \alpha^{\pm 2}y^2)^3}, \quad (88)$$

$$[\epsilon^{aAB}H_{aAB}]_{\pm} = \frac{\alpha^{\pm 1}y(3 - \alpha^{\pm 2}y^2)}{(1 - 3\alpha^{\pm 2}y^2)}\mathcal{R}_{\pm}, \quad (89)$$

$$[H_{abc}H^{abc}]_{\pm} = \frac{3}{4}([\epsilon^{aAB}H_{aAB}]_{\pm})^2. \quad (90)$$

These expressions allow us to calculate the curvature invariants (76). The geometric properties of the horizons presented here can be used for calculation of a space-time curvature at a Killing horizon of four-dimensional, stationary, and axisymmetric electromagnetic space-times with a cosmological constant. Such space-times include a variety of black hole horizons which are perturbed by stationary and axisymmetric distribution of matter and fields around a black hole. The derived expressions for the curvature invariants (76) allow us to analyze the perturbation on the black hole horizon. Moreover, one can study the perturbation in terms of the gravitoelectric and gravitomagnetic fields calculated on the horizon.

As it was already mentioned in the introduction, one can use the constructed expressions of the curvature invariants to analyze the curvature of the outer and inner horizons of distorted Kerr and Kerr-Newman black holes. These expressions can be calculated with much less computational cost than what is required for calculations of the curvature invariants of the corresponding space-times and finding their values on the horizons. Moreover, as it will be



shown in a forthcoming paper, by using the duality relations between the outer and inner horizon these expressions allow us to analyze the curvature of the inner horizon of a distorted rotating black hole by studying curvature invariants of its outer horizon. Finally, the results of this paper may be important for applications to holographic models and for more general understanding of properties of space-time horizons as well.

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