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On extremal limits and duality orbits of stationary black holes

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ABSTRACT: With reference to the effective three-dimensional description of stationary, single center solutions to (ungauged) symmetric supergravities, we complete a previous analysis on the definition of a general geometrical mechanism for connecting global symmetry orbits (duality orbits) of non-extremal solutions to those of extremal black holes. We focus our attention on a generic representative of these orbits, providing its explicit description in terms of D=4 fields. As a byproduct, using a new characterization of the angular momentum in terms of quantities intrinsic to the geometry of the D=3 effective model, we are able to prove on general grounds its invariance, as a function of the boundary data, under the D=4 global symmetry. In the extremal under-rotating limit it becomes moduli-independent. We also discuss the issue of the fifth parameter characterizing the four-dimensional seed solution, showing that it can be generated by a transformation in the global symmetry group which is manifest in the D=3 effective description.

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1 Introduction

The seminal work by [1] has defined an effective D=3 description of (asymptotically flat) stationary black holes in D=4 supergravity theories [2–6], which unveiled a larger global symmetry (to be dubbed duality in the following) underlying these solutions. In fact this approach has provided a valuable tool for their classification [7–17] and consists in describing this kind of solutions as solutions to an effective D=3 Euclidean sigma-model which is formally obtained by reducing the D=4 theory along the time direction and dualizing the vector fields into scalars. The action of the global symmetry group (duality group) G of this Euclidean model has been extensively used in the literature as a solution-generating technique to construct non-extremal, rotating, electrically charged black hole solutions coupled to scalar fields [7, 8] and, more recently, found application in the context of subtracted geometry [18–22].

Stationary, asymptotically flat, black holes can therefore be conveniently classified in orbits with respect to the action of G. We shall restrict ourselves here to the single-center case. In a recent paper [23] we defined a general geometrical mechanism for connecting the orbit corresponding to non-extremal solutions to those defining the extremal (i.e. zero-temperature) ones, and applied it, as a worked-out example, to the T^3 -model. Here we wish to complete this analysis by applying the same mechanism to explicit solutions to the

STU model, thus proving it for the broad class of symmetric extended supergravities which share the STU model as a common universal truncation. These include all the extended (i.e. $\mathcal{N} \geq 2$) four-dimensional models whose scalar manifold is symmetric of the form G_4/H_4 , and the isometry group $G_4 \subset G$, which defines the global symmetry (or D=4-duality) of the four-dimensional theory, is a non-degenerate group of type-E₇ [24, 25]. Those models typically have a D=5 uplift and include the maximal and half-maximal supergravity ($\mathcal{N}=8,4$), the so called "magical" $\mathcal{N}=2$ supergravities and the infinite series of models with special Kähler manifold $\frac{\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{R})}{\mathrm{SO}(2)} \times \frac{\mathrm{SO}(2,n)}{\mathrm{SO}(2)\times\mathrm{SO}(n)}$. At least as far as the single-center solutions are concerned, the G-orbits of regular black holes in all these models have a representative in the STU truncation.

General features of a stationary solution, like its rotation and extremality (related to the temperature), are in particular associated with invariants of G. As far as the rotational property of the black hole is concerned, this statement was proven in [26] by defining a matrix Q_{ψ} which, just like the Noether charge matrix Q, lies in the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G, and which vanishes if and only if the solution is static. In terms of Q and Q_{ψ} the regularity condition for the black hole solution was written in a G-invariant way. The matrix Q_{ψ} allows to easily infer how the angular momentum M_{φ} transforms under G, without having to derive the full transformed solution and compute the Komar integral on it. These tools were then applied in [23] in order to define the general algebraic procedure for connecting the orbit of non-extremal solutions to those of extremal ones. In particular, as far as extremal under-rotating and static black holes are concerned, this mechanism makes use of singular Harrison transformations and generalizes previous results in the literature [7, 8, 27–29], related to specific electric-magnetic frames. We shall complete this analysis in the present note, by applying it to explicit representatives of the relevant orbits of the global symmetry group G, solutions to the STU model.

As a byproduct, using the general expression of M_{φ} in terms of Q_{ψ} , we are able to prove on general grounds its invariance under the D=4 global symmetry, as a function of the boundary values of the scalar fields and of the electric-magnetic charges. In the extremal under-rotating limit the attractor mechanism seems to involve the angular momentum as well: it becomes moduli independent and thus it is only expressed in terms of the quartic invariant of the D=4 duality group.

In the final stage of preparation of the present paper, we became aware of [30] where the general rotating black hole solution to the STU model was constructed.² Here however we are interested in defining a general mechanism for connecting regular black hole G-orbits. Since working with the most general solution would somewhat conceal such a mechanism, we choose to work with the simplest representatives of these orbits (i.e. the

¹In the $\mathcal{N}=2$ case, the above condition is referred to the special Kähler manifold spanned by the scalar fields in the vector multiplets, since those in the hypermultiplets are not relevant to the black hole solutions under consideration. Moreover by specializing to the non-degenerate case (see the second of references [24, 25]), we are excluding those models with $G_4 = \mathrm{U}(p,q)$ and vector field-strengths together with their magnetic duals transforming in the $\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q} + \overline{\mathbf{p} + \mathbf{q}}$, like the minimal coupling $\mathcal{N} = 2$ models with $G_4 = \mathrm{U}(1,q)$ or the $\mathcal{N} = 3$ supergravity with $G_4 = \mathrm{U}(3,q)$.

²The explicit solutions used in the present paper were derived independently.

most general solutions modulo G-transformations or seed solutions with respect to G), the generic solution in each orbit being then obtained from them though the action of G.

We also show that the fifth parameter characterizing the seed solutions with respect to the D=4 global symmetry group can be generated by means of G.

The paper is organized as follows.

In section 2 we set the stage for our analysis by recalling the main facts about the effective D=3 description of stationary four-dimensional solutions and we define the matrix Q_{ψ} associated with the rotation of the black hole.

In section 3 we deal with the G-orbits of non-extremal and extremal solutions reviewing the general geometrical procedure for connecting them. We also relate important physical properties of the solutions to G-invariant quantities associated with the corresponding orbit and outline general features of the matrix Q_{ψ} in the Kerr orbit, which were not given in our earlier paper. In particular, in the final paragraph of the section, we prove, using the general expression of M_{φ} in terms of the matrix Q_{ψ} , that on a generic solution the angular momentum is a G_4 invariant function of the values of the D=4 scalar fields at radial infinity and of the electric-magnetic charges.

In sections 5 and 6 we give the explicit form of the non-extremal rotating solutions to the STU model (with fully integrated vector fields) corresponding to the sets of charges p^0 , q_i and q_0 , p^i , i = 1, 2, 3, and study their limits to extremal static and under-rotating black holes. We conclude with a discussion of the 5th invariant-parameter of a generic D = 4 single-center solution, with respect to the D = 4 global symmetry group, showing that it is not G-invariant and that it can be thus generated by means of a G-transformation not belonging to G_4 (an explicit calculation is given in appendix B). Consequently the most general extremal, single-center solution to the D = 3 effective model, modulo G-transformations, is a 4-parameter one.

2 Stationary single-center solutions

We shall be working with a D=4 extended (i.e. $\mathcal{N}>1$), ungauged supergravity, whose bosonic sector consists in n_s scalar fields $\phi^r(x)$, n_v vector fields $A^{\Lambda}_{\mu}(x)$, $\Lambda=1,\ldots,n_v$, and the graviton $g_{\mu\nu}(x)$, which are described by the following Lagrangian:³

$$\mathcal{L}_{4} = e \left(\frac{R}{2} - \frac{1}{2} G_{rs}(\phi^{t}) \partial_{\mu} \phi^{r} \partial^{\mu} \phi^{s} + \frac{1}{4} I_{\Lambda \Sigma}(\phi^{r}) F_{\mu\nu}^{\Lambda} F^{\Sigma \mu\nu} + \frac{1}{8 e} R_{\Lambda \Sigma}(\phi^{r}) \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} F_{\mu\nu}^{\Lambda} F_{\rho\sigma}^{\Sigma} \right), \tag{2.1}$$

where $e := \sqrt{|\det(g_{\mu\nu})|}$. In symmetric supergravities, which we shall restrict to, the scalar fields ϕ^s span a homogeneous, symmetric, Riemannian scalar manifold:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}^{(4)} = \frac{G_4}{H_4},$$
 (2.2)

where the isometry group G_4 is the symmetry group of the whole theory provided its non-linear action on the scalar fields is combined with a symplectic action, defining a representation \mathbf{R} of G, on the vector field strengths $F^{\Lambda} = dA^{\Lambda}$ and their magnetic duals G_{Λ} .

³Here we adopt the notations and conventions of [23, 26] (in particular we use the "mostly plus" convention and $8\pi G = c = \hbar = 1$).

We shall be dealing with stationary, axisymmetric, asymptotically flat, single center solutions whose space-time metric, in a suitable system of coordinates, has the general form:

$$ds^{2} = -e^{2U} (dt + \omega_{\varphi} d\varphi)^{2} + e^{-2U} g_{ij} dx^{i} dx^{j}, \qquad (2.3)$$

where i, j = 1, 2, 3 label the spatial coordinates $x^i = (r, \theta, \varphi)$ and $U, \omega_{\varphi}, g_{ij}$ are all functions of r, θ . The two Killing vectors are $\xi = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ and $\psi = \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi}$.

As mentioned in the introduction, these solutions can be given an effective description in an Euclidean D=3 model describing gravity coupled to $n=2+n_s+2n_v$ scalar fields $\phi^I(r,\theta)$ comprising, besides the D=4 scalars ϕ^s , the warp function U and $2n_v+1$ scalars $\mathcal{Z}^M=\{\mathcal{Z}^\Lambda,\mathcal{Z}_\Lambda\}$ and a originating from the time-like dimensional reduction of the D=4 vectors and the dualization of the Kaluza-Klein vector ω_{φ} into a scalar. The precise relation between the scalars a, \mathcal{Z}^M and the four-dimensional fields is [23]:

$$A^{\Lambda} = A_0^{\Lambda}(dt + \omega) + A_{(3)}^{\Lambda}, \qquad A_{(3)}^{\Lambda} \equiv A_i^{\Lambda} dx^i, \tag{2.4}$$

$$\mathbb{F}^{M} = \begin{pmatrix} F_{\mu\nu}^{\Lambda} \\ G_{\Lambda\mu\nu} \end{pmatrix} \frac{dx^{\mu} \wedge dx^{\nu}}{2} = d\mathcal{Z}^{M} \wedge (dt + \omega) + e^{-2U} \mathbb{C}^{MN} \mathcal{M}_{(4)NP}^{*3} d\mathcal{Z}^{P}, \tag{2.5}$$

$$da = -e^{4U *_3} d\omega - \mathcal{Z}^T \mathbb{C} d\mathcal{Z}, \qquad (2.6)$$

where $*_3$ is the Hodge operation in the D=3 Euclidean space, $\mathcal{M}_{(4)}$ the symmetric, symplectic matrix characterizing the symplectic structure over $\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}^{(4)}$ (see appendix A for an explicit construction). The effective D=3 Lagrangian describes a sigma-model coupled to gravity and reads:

$$\frac{1}{e^{(3)}} \mathcal{L}_{3} = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{R} - \frac{1}{2} G_{ab}(z) \partial_{i} z^{a} \partial^{i} z^{b}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{R} - \left[\partial_{i} U \partial^{i} U + \frac{1}{2} G_{rs} \partial_{i} \phi^{r} \partial^{i} \phi^{s} + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{-2U} \partial_{i} \mathcal{Z}^{T} \mathcal{M}_{(4)} \partial^{i} \mathcal{Z} \right]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{4} \epsilon^{-4U} (\partial_{i} a + \mathcal{Z}^{T} \mathbb{C} \partial_{i} \mathcal{Z}) (\partial^{i} a + \mathcal{Z}^{T} \mathbb{C} \partial^{i} \mathcal{Z}) , \qquad (2.7)$$

where $e^{(3)} \equiv \sqrt{\det(g_{ij})}$ and \mathbb{C} is the symplectic-invariant, antisymmetric matrix. The scalar fields span a homogeneous, symmetric, pseudo-Riemannian manifold of the form

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}} = \frac{G}{H^*} \,, \tag{2.8}$$

containing $\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}^{(4)}$ as a submanifold. The isometry group G is a semisimple, non-compact Lie group which defines the global symmetry of the model, while H^* is a non-compact real form of the maximal compact subgroup of G.

Stationary axisymmetric solutions are described by n functions $\phi^I(r,\theta)$, solutions to the sigma model equations, and characterized by a unique "initial point" $\phi_0 \equiv (\phi_0^I)$ at radial infinity

$$\phi_0^I = \lim_{r \to \infty} \phi^I(r, \theta) , \qquad (2.9)$$

and an "initial velocity" Q, at radial infinity, in the tangent space $T_{\phi_0}[\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}]$, which is the Noether charge matrix of the solution. Since the action of G/H on ϕ_0 is transitive,

we can always fix ϕ_0 to coincide with the origin O (defined by the vanishing values of all the scalars) and then classify the orbits of the solutions under the action of G (i.e. in maximal sets of solutions connected through the action of G) in terms of the orbits of the velocity vector $Q \in T_O(\mathcal{M}_{scal})$ under the action of H^* . The Noether charge matrix Q is computed as:

$$Q = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{S_2}^{*_3} J, \qquad (2.10)$$

 $J = J_i dx^i$ being the Noether current. The explicit form of J is given by the standard theory of sigma models on coset manifolds:

$$J_i \equiv \frac{1}{2} \partial_i \phi^I \mathcal{M}^{-1} \partial_I \mathcal{M} \,, \tag{2.11}$$

where $\mathcal{M}(\phi^I) = \mathbb{L}(\phi^I)\eta\mathbb{L}(\phi^I)^{\dagger}$ is an H^* -invariant symmetric matrix built out of the representative $\mathbb{L}(\phi^I)$ of G/H at the point ϕ^I and η is a suitable H^* -invariant matrix in the chosen representation of G (see appendix A of [23] for the definition of the adopted conventions).⁴ The scalar fields ϕ^I define a local solvable parametrization of the coset, and the coset representative is chosen to be

$$\mathbb{L}(\phi^I) = \exp(-aT_{\bullet}) \exp\left(\sqrt{2}\mathcal{Z}^M T_M\right) \exp(\phi^r T_r) \exp(2UH_0), \qquad (2.14)$$

where $T_{\mathcal{A}} = \{H_0, T_{\bullet}, T_s, T_M\}$ are the solvable generators defined in appendix A of [23].⁵ Since the generators T_M transform under the adjoint action of $G_4 \subset G$ in the symplectic duality representation \mathbf{R} of the electric-magnetic charges, we shall use for them the following notation: $(T_M) = (T_{q_{\Lambda}}, T_{p^{\Lambda}})$.

The Noether matrix Q encodes all the conserved physical quantities associated with the solution, except the angular momentum M_{φ} . In other words it contains no information about the rotation of the solution. In [26] we defined a new matrix Q_{ψ} which describes the global rotation of the solution:

$$Q_{\psi} = -\frac{3}{4\pi} \int_{S_2^{\infty}} \psi_{[i} J_{j]} dx^i \wedge dx^j = \frac{3}{8\pi} \int_{S_2^{\infty}} g_{\varphi\varphi} J_{\theta} d\theta d\varphi.$$
 (2.16)

$$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{H}^* \oplus \mathfrak{K}^*, \tag{2.12}$$

where $\sigma(\mathfrak{K}^*) = -\mathfrak{K}^*$, and the following relations hold

$$[\mathfrak{H}^*,\mathfrak{H}^*] \subset \mathfrak{H}^*, \qquad [\mathfrak{H}^*,\mathfrak{K}^*] \subset \mathfrak{K}^*, \qquad [\mathfrak{K}^*,\mathfrak{K}^*] \subset \mathfrak{H}^*.$$
 (2.13)

⁵The structure of this solvable algebra is the following:

$$[H_0, T_M] = \frac{1}{2} T_M; \qquad [H_0, T_{\bullet}] = T_{\bullet}; \qquad [T_M T_N] = \mathbb{C}_{MN} T_{\bullet},$$

$$[H_0, T_r] = [T_{\bullet}, T_r] = 0; \qquad [T_r, T_M] = T_r^N {}_M T_N; \qquad [T_r, T_s] = -T_r {}_s^{s'} T_{s'}, \qquad (2.15)$$

 $T_r{}^N{}_M$ representing the symplectic **R** representation of T_r on contravariant symplectic vectors $d\mathcal{Z}^M$.

⁴The coset geometry is defined by the involutive automorphism σ on the algebra \mathfrak{g} of G which leaves the algebra \mathfrak{H}^* invariant. All the formulas related to the group G and its generators are referred to a matrix representation of G (we shall in particular use the fundamental one). The involution σ in the chosen representation has the general action: $\sigma(M) = -\eta M^{\dagger} \eta$, η being an H^* -invariant metric ($\eta = \eta^{\dagger}$, $\eta^2 = 1$), and induces the (pseudo)-Cartan decomposition of \mathfrak{g} of the form:

The ADM-mass $M_{\rm ADM}$, NUT-charge $n_{\rm NUT}$, electric and magnetic charges $\Gamma^M = (p^{\Lambda}, q_{\Lambda})$, scalar charges Σ_s and angular momentum M_{φ} , associated with the solution are then obtained as components of Q and Q_{ψ} [23, 26, 31]:⁶

$$M_{\mathrm{ADM}} = k \operatorname{Tr}(H_0^{\dagger} Q), \quad n_{\mathrm{NUT}} = -k \operatorname{Tr}(T_{\bullet}^{\dagger} Q), \quad \Gamma^{M} = \sqrt{2} k \mathbb{C}^{MN} \operatorname{Tr}(T_{N}^{\dagger} Q), \quad \Sigma_{s} = k \operatorname{Tr}(T_{s}^{\dagger} Q)$$

$$M_{\varphi} = k \operatorname{Tr}(T_{\bullet}^{\dagger} Q_{\psi}), \qquad (2.17)$$

 $k = 1/(2 \operatorname{Tr}(H_0 H_0))$ being a representation-dependent constant. Both Q and Q_{ψ} are matrices in the Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} of G. More specifically they belong to the space \mathfrak{K}^* complement in \mathfrak{g} to the algebra \mathfrak{H}^* and isomorphic to $T_O(\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}})$.

Being G the global symmetry group of the effective model, a generic element g of it maps a solution $\phi^I(r,\theta)$ into an other solution $\phi'^I(r,\theta)$ according to the matrix equation:

$$\mathcal{M}(\phi^{I}(x^{i})) = g \,\mathcal{M}(\phi^{I}(x^{i})) \,g^{\dagger}. \tag{2.18}$$

From their definitions (2.10), (2.16), and from (2.18), it follows that Q and Q_{ψ} transform under the adjoint action of G as:

$$\forall g \in G : Q \to Q' = (g^{-1})^{\dagger} Q g^{\dagger}; \qquad Q_{\psi} \to Q'_{\psi} = (g^{-1})^{\dagger} Q_{\psi} g^{\dagger}.$$
 (2.19)

Eqs. (2.17), and the last one in particular, allow to compute the angular momentum of the transformed solution without having to explicitly derive the latter from (2.18) and to compute the corresponding Komar integral on it. This is one of the main advantages of working with Q_{ψ} . The presence of a non-vanishing Q_{ψ} is a characteristic of the G-orbits of rotating solutions and therefore one cannot generate rotation on a static D=4 solution using G!

3 The Kerr family

As proven in [1], the most general (non-extremal) stationary, axisymmetric single black hole solution to the model can be obtained from the Kerr solution through a G-transformation (more precisely through a Harrison transformation). The matrices Q and Q_{ψ} for the Kerr solution, characterized by a mass m and an angular-momentum parameter α are diagonalizable and thus their G-orbits are uniquely characterized by their eigenvalues. In the pure Kerr solution, Q, Q_{ψ} belong, modulo multiplication by α , to the same G-orbit. In fact we have:

$$Q_{\psi} = \alpha h^{-1} Q h; \quad h \in U(1)_E,$$
 (3.1)

where $U(1)_E$ is the compact Ehlers transformation group. As we shall see, in the extremal limits we are going to consider, this will no longer be the case. The matrix Q belongs to the *Schwarzschild orbit* characterized, choosing for Q the fundamental representation of G

⁶Eqs. (2.17) hold also for generic values of the scalar fields at radial infinity, i.e. for $Q, Q_{\psi} \in T_{\phi_0}[\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}]$.

and if $G \neq E_{8(8)}$, $E_{8(-24)}$, by the matrix equation [12]:^{7,8}

$$Q^3 = \bar{c}^2 Q, \qquad \bar{c}^2 = \frac{k}{2} \operatorname{Tr}(Q^2) = m^2.$$
 (3.2)

From (3.1) it follows that:

$$Q_{\psi}^{3} = \alpha^{2} \bar{c}^{2} Q_{\psi}, \qquad \alpha^{2} = \frac{\text{Tr}(Q_{\psi}^{2})}{\text{Tr}(Q^{2})}.$$
 (3.3)

Also the following matrix equations are satisfied:

$$Q_{\psi}^2 Q = \alpha^2 \bar{c}^2 Q; \qquad Q^2 Q_{\psi} = \bar{c}^2 Q_{\psi}.$$
 (3.4)

It is worth emphasizing that the equations (3.2), (3.3), (3.4) together with the trace expression for m and α , are G-invariant and thus hold for any representative of the Kerr G-orbit. We can then define an extremality parameter c^2 in terms of the following G-invariant quantity [26]:

$$c^{2} = m^{2} - \alpha^{2} = \frac{k}{2} \operatorname{Tr}(Q^{2}) - \frac{\operatorname{Tr}(Q_{\psi}^{2})}{\operatorname{Tr}(Q^{2})}.$$
 (3.5)

In terms of c we can write the *Hawking temperature* of the black hole in the form:

$$T = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{c}{\alpha |\omega_H|} = \frac{c}{2S}, \qquad (3.6)$$

where S is the Bekenstein-Hawking entropy of the solution, expressed in the chosen units, in terms of the horizon area A, by the renown formula

$$S = \frac{k_B \,\mathsf{c}^3}{G\hbar} \,\frac{A}{4} = \frac{A}{4} = \pi \,\alpha \,|\omega_H|\,,\tag{3.7}$$

while ω_H is defined as:

$$\omega_H := \lim_{r \to r_+} \omega_{\varphi}; \quad r_+ = m + c. \tag{3.8}$$

The above expression allows to write the regularity bound for the Kerr solution in a G-invariant form which thus holds for any representative of the Kerr-orbit:

$$m^2 \ge \alpha^2 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \frac{k}{2} \operatorname{Tr}(Q^2) \ge \frac{\operatorname{Tr}(Q^2_{\psi})}{\operatorname{Tr}(Q^2)}.$$
 (3.9)

Angular momentum and duality. Let us comment on the properties of the angular momentum M_{φ} with respect to the four-dimensional duality symmetry G_4 . In our analysis, for the sake of simplicity, we have fixed the transitive action of G/H^* on the solution by choosing the scalar fields at infinity to correspond to the origin O of the manifold. Let us relax this assumption in the present paragraph. All the formulas given in the previous section, including (2.17), clearly hold for generic "initial values" of the scalar fields.

⁷If G is a real form of $E_8^{\mathbb{C}}$, the fundamental and the adjoint representation coincide and the matrix equation becomes quintic in Q, [12].

⁸The constant \bar{c}^2 in the case of the Kerr-Newmann-NUT black hole with electric and magnetic charges q, p and NUT charge n_{NUT} , reads: $\bar{c}^2 = \frac{k}{2} \operatorname{Tr}(Q^2) = m^2 + n_{\text{NUT}}^2 - \frac{p^2 + q^2}{2}$.

In general, on a rotating black hole solution, the angular momentum would depend on the boundary values (ϕ_0^s) of (ϕ^s) and on the electric-magnetic charges Γ^M and be expressed in terms of Q_{ψ} by the last of eqs. (2.17). Suppose now we transform the solution by means of an element $g \in G_4$ into another one with boundary values $\phi_0^{\prime s}$ and charges $\Gamma^{\prime M}$

$$g: (\phi_0^s, \Gamma^M) \longrightarrow (\phi_0'^s, \Gamma'^M).$$
 (3.10)

Let us prove, by using the definition in (2.17), that M_{φ} is not affected by the action of g. The matrix Q'_{ψ} associated with the new solution is related to Q_{ψ} by (2.19), so that the corresponding angular momentum $M'_{\varphi} = M_{\varphi}(\phi_0'^s, \Gamma'^M)$ reads:

$$M_{\varphi}(\phi_0^{\prime s}, \Gamma^{\prime M}) = k \operatorname{Tr}(T_{\bullet}^{\dagger} Q_{\psi}^{\prime}) = k \operatorname{Tr}\left(T_{\bullet}^{\dagger} (g^{-1})^{\dagger} Q_{\psi} g^{\dagger}\right) = k \operatorname{Tr}(T_{\bullet}^{\dagger} Q_{\psi}) = M_{\varphi}(\phi_0^s, \Gamma^M),$$
(3.11)

where we have used the property that G_4 commutes with the Ehlers group $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{R})_E$ inside G, so that its elements commute with the $\mathfrak{sl}(2,\mathbb{R})_E$ generators $\{H_0, T_{\bullet}, T_{\bullet}^{\dagger}\}$.

We conclude that M_{φ} , is a G_4 -invariant function of the scalar fields at radial infinity and the electric-magnetic charges. This is indeed what one would expect for the angular momentum of a solution: being a quantity related to its spatial rotation it should not be affected by a D=4 duality transformation.

Clearly the above derivation would not hold for a generic global symmetry transformation in G. As we shall see below, in the under-rotating limit M_{φ} is independent of ϕ_0^s and thus is expressed in terms of the G_4 -invariant of the electric-magnetic charges alone, namely the quartic invariant function $I_4(p,q)$. A similar thing happens for the horizon area (i.e. the entropy) by virtue of the attractor mechanism (see below). We conclude from this observation that there seems to be an "attractor mechanism" at work also for the angular momentum.

Finally let us notice that the simple proof (3.11) also applies to the ADM-mass and the NUT-charge, both given in (2.17). This is consistent with the duality invariance of M_{ADM} proven in [35] (see eq. (29) therein) in a different and more sophisticated way.

4 Extremal limits

The regularity bound $c^2 \ge 0$ is saturated for the *extremal* solutions, which are thus characterized by a vanishing Hawking temperature (3.6). This bound can be saturated in essentially two ways:

- both sides of (3.9), though equal, stay different from zero. The extremality condition thus becomes a constraint on the two non-vanishing G-invariants. The resulting solution is called *over-rotating* extremal and retains, in this limit, the presence of an ergosphere. The two matrices Q and Q_{ψ} are still diagonalizable;
- both sides of (3.9) vanish separately. The resulting solution can either be extremal under-rotating [27, 28, 32–34] or extremal-static and has no ergosphere. In this limit [23] both Q and Q_{ψ} become nilpotent, belonging to different G-orbits (or better H^* orbits on $T_O[\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}] \sim \mathfrak{K}^*$).

We shall focus on the second limit, which has been considered in the literature in specific contexts: heterotic theory [7, 8, 29]; Kaluza-Klein supergravity [27, 28]. In [23] we defined a general geometric prescription for connecting the non-extremal Kerr-orbit to the extremal static or under-rotating ones, in a way which is frame-independent (i.e. does not depend on the particular string theory and compactification yielding the four-dimensional supergravity). This procedure makes use of singular Harrison transformations by means of which an Inönü-Wigner contraction on the matrices Q and Q_{ψ} is effected, resulting in the nilpotent matrices $Q^{(0)}$ and $Q_{\psi}^{(0)}$ associated with extremal static or under-rotating black holes.

Harrison transformations [1] are H^* -transformations which play a special role in the solution generating techniques: they are not present among the global symmetries of the D=4 theory and have the distinctive property of switching on electric or magnetic charges when acting on neutral solutions (like the Kerr or Schwarzshild ones). Their generators $(\mathbb{J}_M)=(\mathbb{J}_\Lambda,\mathbb{J}^\Lambda)$ in \mathfrak{H}^* are in one-to-one correspondence with the electric and magnetic charges $(\Gamma^M)=(p^\Lambda,q_\Lambda)$ and are non-compact (i.e. are represented, in a suitable basis, by hermitian matrices). The space $\mathrm{Span}(\mathbb{J}_M)$ generated by $\{\mathbb{J}_M\}$ is the coset space of the symmetric manifold H^*/H_c , H_c being the maximal compact subgroup of H^* , and thus it is the carrier of a representation of H_c (the same representation in which the charges Γ^M transform with respect to H_c). In general this group has the following structure: $H_c = \mathrm{U}(1)_E \times H_4$.

In [23] we considered the maximal abelian subalgebra (MASA) of the space $Span(\mathbb{J}_M)$. This is a subspace whose generators $\mathbb{J}^{(N)} = \{\mathcal{J}_{\ell}\}$ are defined by the normal form of the electric and magnetic charges, i.e. the minimal subset of charges into which the charges of the most general solution can be rotated by means of H_c . Its dimension p is therefore just the rank of the coset H/H_c . In the maximal supergravity, for example, $p = \operatorname{rank}\left(\frac{SO^*(16)}{U(8)}\right) = 4$, the same being true for the half-maximal theory, $p = \operatorname{rank}\left(\frac{\operatorname{SO}(6,2) \times \operatorname{SO}(2,6+n)}{\operatorname{SO}(2)^2 \times \operatorname{SO}(6) \times \operatorname{SO}(6+n)}\right) = 4$, and for the $\mathcal{N}=2$ symmetric models with rank-3 scalar, special Kähler manifold in D=4 (for this class of theories, p = rank + 1). The simplest representative of the latter class of models is the STU one, which is a consistent truncation of all the others, besides being a truncation of the maximal and half-maximal theories. Therefore its space $\mathbb{J}^{(N)}$ is contained in the spaces of Harrison generators of all the above mentioned symmetric models. As a consequence of this, for the sake of simplicity, we can restrict ourselves to the simplest STU model since the G-orbits of non-extremal and extremal regular solutions to the broad class of symmetric models mentioned above have a representative in the common STUtruncation. As for the restricted number of $\mathcal{N}=2$ symmetric models for which the rank of $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{scal}}^{(4)}$ is less than 3 (p < 4), the following discussion has a straightforward generalization (the T^3 -model case with p=2 was dealt with in detail in [23]). Depending on the symplectic frame, i.e. on the higher-dimensional origin of the four-dimensional theory, this normal form can consist of different kinds of charges. In all cases this normal form can be geometrically characterized as follows. If we express the Harrison generators in the form:

$$\mathbb{J}_{M} = \frac{1}{2} \left(T_{M} + (T_{M})^{\dagger} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(E_{\gamma_{M}} + (E_{\gamma_{M}})^{\dagger} \right), \tag{4.1}$$

where γ_M are the $2n_v$ roots of \mathfrak{g} such that $\gamma_M(H_0) = 1/2$, the p generators \mathcal{J}_ℓ are defined by a maximal set $\{\gamma_\ell\}$ of mutually orthogonal roots among the γ_M : $\gamma_{\ell_1} \cdot \gamma_{\ell_2} \propto \delta_{\ell_1,\ell_2}$

$$\mathcal{J}_{\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \left(E_{\gamma_{\ell}} + (E_{\gamma_{\ell}})^{\dagger} \right). \tag{4.2}$$

Symplectic frames and normal forms. Since the normal form of the electric and magnetic charges with respect to the group H_c , for all the symmetric models mentioned above, is contained in the STU truncation, let us illustrate within the latter, the relevant symplectic frames. The STU model is a $\mathcal{N}=2$ supergravity coupled to three vector multiplets whose three complex scalars span a special Kähler manifold (2.2), where $G_4 = \mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{R})^3$ and $H_4 = \mathrm{SO}(2)^3$. Upon time-like reduction to D=3, the scalar manifold is enlarged to $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{scal}} = G/H = \mathrm{SO}(4,4)/\mathrm{SO}(2,2) \times \mathrm{SO}(2,2)$ (see appendix A for notations and technical details about the STU model).

If the STU model originates from Kaluza-Klein reduction from D = 5, the resulting symplectic frame corresponds to the following ordering of the roots γ_M , $M = 1, \dots, 8$:

$$(\Gamma_{M}) = (\mathbb{C}_{MN}\Gamma^{N}) = (q_{\Lambda}, -p^{\Lambda}) \leftrightarrow (\gamma_{M}),$$

$$(\vec{\gamma}_{a})_{a=1,\dots,4} = \left[\left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \right],$$

$$(\vec{\gamma}_{a+4})_{a=1,\dots,4} = \left[\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right), \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \right],$$

$$(4.3)$$

where we have represented each root γ_M by its component vector $\vec{\gamma}_M$ in a Cartan subalgebra of $\mathfrak{so}(4,4)$: the first component is the grading $\gamma_M(H_0)$ with respect to the O(1,1) generator H_0 in the Ehlers group $\mathrm{SL}(2,\mathbb{R})_E$, the other entries are the components $\gamma_M(H_{\alpha_i})/2$, with respect to the Cartan generators H_{α_i} of G_4 . We see that there are two maximal sets of p=4 mutually orthogonal roots $\{\gamma_\ell\}=\{\gamma_1,\,\gamma_6,\,\gamma_7,\,\gamma_8\}$ and $\{\gamma_{\ell'}\}=\{\gamma_2,\,\gamma_3,\,\gamma_4,\,\gamma_5\}$, corresponding to the normal forms of the charge vector with non-vanishing charges $\{q_0,\,p^i\}_{i=1,2,3}$ and $\{p^0,\,q_i\}_{i=1,2,3}$, respectively.

If we embed the STU model in toroidally compactified Heterotic theory [7, 8], one of the $SL(2,\mathbb{R})$ s in G_4 has a non-perturbative (i.e. not block-diagonal) duality action in the $\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})$, while the remaining two factors have a block diagonal symplectic representation. The corresponding symplectic frame is characterized by the following order of the roots γ_M :

$$(\Gamma_M') \leftrightarrow (\gamma_1, \gamma_6, \gamma_3, \gamma_4, \gamma_5, \gamma_2, \gamma_7, \gamma_8). \tag{4.4}$$

The two normal forms of the charge vector, being identified by the same sets of roots $\{\gamma_{\ell}\}$ and $\{\gamma_{\ell'}\}$, now correspond to two electric and two magnetic charges: $\{p'^2, p'^3, q'_0, q'_1\}$ and $\{p'^0, p'^1, q'_2, q'_3\}$.

Finally one can consider the frame in which the generators of G_4 can be chosen to be represented symplectic matrices which are either block diagonal or completely block-off-diagonal (i.e. having entries only in the off-diagonal blocks). This is the frame originating

⁹This ordering is related to the property that, in this frame, the Cartan generator of the non-perturbative $SL(2,\mathbb{R})$ be degenerate over the electric (and thus also over the magnetic) charges.

from direct truncation of the $\mathcal{N}=8$ theory in which the $SL(8,\mathbb{R})$ subgroup of $E_{7(7)}$ has a block-diagonal embedding in $Sp(56,\mathbb{R})$. It corresponds to the following order of the roots γ_M :

$$(\Gamma_M'') \leftrightarrow (\gamma_5, \gamma_2, \gamma_3, \gamma_4, \gamma_1, \gamma_6, \gamma_7, \gamma_8). \tag{4.5}$$

The two normal forms of the charge vector now correspond to either all electric or all magnetic charges: $\{p''^{\Lambda}\}$ and $\{q''_{\Lambda}\}$.

In all these cases, the MASAs of Span(\mathbb{J}_M) are always defined by the *same sets* of generators $\{\mathcal{J}_\ell\}_{\ell=1,6,7,8}$, $\{\mathcal{J}_{\ell'}\}_{\ell'=2,3,4,5}$. We shall use in the following the first symplectic frame.

The procedure. Let us summarize the procedure defined in [23, 26] in order to connect the Kerr orbit to orbits of extremal under-rotating and static solutions. We transform the Kerr solution by means of a Harrison transformation generated by the chosen MASA $\mathbb{J}^{(N)}$ of Span(\mathbb{J}_M):

$$\mathcal{O} \in \exp\left(\mathbb{J}^{(N)}\right); \quad \mathcal{O} = \begin{cases} e^{\sum_{\ell} \log(\beta_{\ell}) \mathcal{J}_{\ell}} & \{q_0 \, p^i\} \text{-case} \\ e^{\sum_{\ell'} \log(\beta_{\ell'}) \mathcal{J}_{\ell'}} & \{p^0 \, q_i\} \text{-case} \end{cases}$$
(4.6)

where $\ell = 1, 6, 7, 8$ and $\ell' = 2, 3, 4, 5$. The matrices Q, Q_{ψ} transform according to eq. (2.19):

$$Q \rightarrow Q' = (\mathcal{O}^{-1})^{\dagger} Q \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}; \qquad Q_{\psi} \rightarrow ; \qquad Q'_{\psi} = (\mathcal{O}^{-1})^{\dagger} Q_{\psi} \mathcal{O}^{\dagger}. \tag{4.7}$$

Next we perform, in the two cases, the rescaling:

$$\beta_{\ell} \to m^{\sigma_{\ell}} \beta_{\ell} \,, \qquad (\beta_{\ell'} \to m^{\sigma_{\ell'}} \beta_{\ell'}) \qquad \alpha \to m\Omega \,,$$
 (4.8)

where σ_{ℓ} , $(\sigma_{\ell'}) = \pm 1$. We then send m to zero. This limit corresponds to an Inönü-Wigner contraction of Q' and Q'_{ψ} which become nilpotent matrices $Q^{(0)}$, $Q^{(0)}_{\psi}$ with a different degree of nilpotency, i.e. belonging to different H^* -orbits: $Q^{(0)}$ has degree three while $Q^{(0)}_{\psi}$ either vanishes or has degree two. This explains why, in the $m \to 0$ limit, the ratio on the right hand side of eq. (3.9) goes to zero: the numerator $\text{Tr}(Q^2_{\psi})$ vanishes faster than the denominator $\text{Tr}(Q^2)$. The charge vector Γ^M of the resulting solution, in the two cases, has 4 non-vanishing charges corresponding to the chosen normal form, i.e. $\{q_0 p^i\}$ or $\{p^0 q_i\}$. Depending on the choice of the gradings σ_{ℓ} (or $\sigma_{\ell'}$) the charge vector Γ^M can belong to any of the G_4 -orbits of regular solutions, characterized in terms of the G_4 -quartic invariant $I_4(p,q)$ of the representation \mathbf{R} as follows [42] (see appendix \mathbf{A} for the explicit form of $I_4(p,q)$ in the STU model):

BPS: $I_4(p,q) > 0$ \mathbb{Z}_3 -symmetry on the p^i and the q_i ,

non-BPS₁: $I_4(p,q) > 0$ no \mathbb{Z}_3 -symmetry,

non-BPS₂: $I_4(p,q) < 0$.

For those choices of the gradings yielding $I_4 > 0$ we find both the BPS and a non-BPS solution and the resulting angular momentum is zero (extremal-static black hole, $Q_{\psi}^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}$).

Only in the cases for which $I_4 < 0$ we find a rotating solution, which is the known underrotating solution of [27, 28, 32–34]. Therefore we find, as a general result, that the extremal solutions obtained in this way have an angular momentum given by

$$M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})} = \frac{\Omega}{4} \sqrt{|I_4(p,q)|} (1 - \varepsilon), \qquad (4.9)$$

where $I_4 = \varepsilon |I_4|$ (the above equation was verified on the 5-parameter solution, see appendix B). This formula makes the invariance of M_{φ} under G_4 -transformations, proven for a generic solution at the end of the previous section, manifest, since both $I_4(p,q)$ and $\Omega = M_{\varphi}^{(\text{Kerr})}/m^2$ are G_4 -invariants, being the latter related to the original Kerr solution. Actually on our solutions we cannot see the dependence of the various quantities on the scalar fields ϕ_0^I , and in particular on the four-dimensional ones, at radial infinity, since these were fixed to zero. Having proven, however, in the previous section that M_{φ} is a G_4 -invariant function of ϕ_0^s and Γ^M , and having proven on our solutions that it is already an invariant function of the electric-magnetic charges alone, we conclude that, for the under-rotating solutions, M_{φ} only depends on p^{Λ} , q_{Λ} .

Similarly one finds for the entropy, related to the horizon area and expressed in (3.7), the following form in the limit:¹⁰

$$S^{(\text{extr})} = \pi \lim_{m \to 0} \alpha |\omega_H| = \pi \lim_{m \to 0} m \Omega |\omega_H| = \pi \sqrt{|I_4| - 4(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})})^2} = \pi \sqrt{|I_4|} \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2 (1 - \varepsilon)}.$$
(4.10)

The last expression, obtained by using (4.9), makes it manifest that $S^{(\text{extr})}$, as well as the whole near horizon geometry, is G_4 -invariant as $M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}$ is. In the rotating extremal case $(\varepsilon = -1)$ we further need to impose $\Omega < 1$ in order for the solution to be well behaved.

We observe, however, that before the extremal limit $m \to 0$ is effected, the expression of S is not G_4 -invariant. This can be explained by the fact that we generally made the G_4 "gauge" choice corresponding to fixing the 4D scalar fields at infinity at the origin of the moduli space, thus breaking the manifest G_4 invariance to H_4 . In the extremal underrotating and static cases the attractor mechanism is at work [36–41], as a consequence of which the near horizon geometry becomes independent of the values of the scalar fields at radial infinity (which we have fixed to the origin) and only depends on the quantized charges p^{Λ} , q_{Λ} . In the non-extremal case, $c^2 > 0$, this is no longer the case and the near horizon geometry, as well as the entropy, depends on the scalar fields at infinity ϕ_0^s . We can then argue that $S = S(p, q, \phi_0^s)$ is still invariant under G_4 , provided we transform both Γ^M and ϕ_0^s simultaneously, just as it was proven at the end of last section to happen for the angular momentum. In other words, within our choice of scalar boundary conditions, S is expressed in terms of H_4 -invariants and, in the extremal limit, such expression should reduce to the only scalar-independent H_4 -invariant, namely to (4.10).

In the following sections, we work out the explicit solutions to the STU model, corresponding to the two normal forms, the complete description of which (including the

¹⁰The expression $S^{(\text{extr})} = \pi \sqrt{|I_4| - 4M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr}) \, 2}}$ is known (see for instance [33]), while the last expression, which makes the G_4 -invariance of S manifest by expressing $M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}$ in terms of the invariants I_4 , Ω , to our knowledge, is not.

integrated D=4 vector fields), to our knowledge, were not present in the literature before [30] and which were derived by us independently. We then apply to them the general extremal limits discussed above, to derive extremal-static and under-rotating solutions. For a detailed algebraic description of the limit $Q', Q'_{\psi} \to Q^{(0)}, Q^{(0)}_{\psi}$ we refer the reader to section 3 of [23].

5 The p^0 , q_i -case

Here we give and discuss the non-extremal, rotating axion-dilaton solution generated by applying to the Kerr solution the Harrison transformation generated by $\mathcal{J}_{\ell'} = \{\mathcal{J}_2, \mathcal{J}_3, \mathcal{J}_4, \mathcal{J}_5\}$, of the form:

$$\mathcal{O}_{(p^0, q_i)} = e^{\log(\beta_{\ell'})\mathcal{I}_{\ell'}}, \quad \ell' = 2, 3, 4, 5.$$
 (5.1)

The D=3 scalars $\Phi^I(r,\theta)$ describing the transformed solution are obtained in terms of $\Phi^I_{(K)}(r,\theta)$ by solving the matrix equation:

$$\mathcal{M}[\Phi^{I}(r,\theta)] = \mathcal{O}_{(p^{0},q_{i})} \,\mathcal{M}[\Phi^{I}_{(K)}(r,\theta)] \,\mathcal{O}^{T}_{(p^{0},q_{i})} \,. \tag{5.2}$$

It is convenient, in order to write $\Phi^I(r,\theta)$, to introduce the following combination of the β -parameters:

$$c_{\ell'} = \frac{1 + \beta_{\ell'}}{2\sqrt{\beta_{\ell'}}}, \qquad s_{\ell'} = \frac{-1 + \beta_{\ell'}}{2\sqrt{\beta_{\ell'}}} \qquad (\ell' = 2, 3, 4, 5)$$

$$P_c = c_2 c_3 c_4 c_5, \qquad P_s = s_2 s_3 s_4 s_5. \qquad (5.3)$$

Recall that, for the Kerr solution, the D=3 metric $g^{(3)}=(g_{ij})$ in (2.3) can be chosen in the following general form:

$$g^{(3)} = (g_{ij}) = \operatorname{diag}\left(\frac{\tilde{\Delta}}{\Delta}, \, \tilde{\Delta}, \, \Delta \sin^2(\theta)\right),$$

$$\Delta = (r - m)^2 - (m^2 - \alpha^2); \qquad \tilde{\Delta} = \Delta - \alpha^2 \sin^2\theta.$$
 (5.4)

We also define the quantity

$$\rho^{4} = \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + (r + 2ms_{2}^{2})(r + 2ms_{3}^{2})\right) \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + (r + 2ms_{4}^{2})(r + 2ms_{5}^{2})\right) - 4\alpha^{2} m^{2} (c_{2}c_{3}s_{4}s_{5} - s_{2}s_{3}c_{4}c_{5})^{2} \cos^{2} \theta.$$
(5.5)

The scalars in 4-dimensions can be written in terms of the 3-dimensional scalar fields ϵ and φ as

$$z_i = \epsilon_i - i e^{\varphi_i}, \quad (i = 1, 2, 3)$$
 (5.6)

and explicitly they read

$$z_{1} = \frac{2 m \alpha \cos \theta (c_{2}s_{3}s_{4}c_{5} - s_{2}c_{3}c_{4}s_{5}) - i \rho^{2}}{\alpha^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + (r + 2ms_{2}^{2})(r + 2ms_{5}^{2})},$$

$$z_{2} = z_{1} (2 \leftrightarrow 3),$$

$$z_{3} = z_{1} (2 \leftrightarrow 4).$$
(5.7)

To derive the D=4 metric and vector fields we use the dualization formulae (2.5)–(2.6). We can also *locally* integrate \mathbb{F}^M to a symplectic vector of electric and magnetic potentials A_{μ}^M :

$$\mathbb{F}^{M} = dA^{M}; \qquad A^{M} = \mathcal{Z}^{M} (dt + \omega) + A_{\varphi}^{M} d\varphi, \qquad (5.8)$$

where $A_i^M dx^i = A_{\varphi}^M d\varphi$ are solutions to the differential equations (for the sake of notational simplicity we suppress the symplectic index M):

$$\partial_r A_{\varphi} = -e_3 e^{-2U} \mathbb{C} \mathcal{M}_{(4)} \partial^{\theta} \mathcal{Z} - \mathcal{Z} \partial_r \omega_{\varphi} ,$$

$$\partial_{\theta} A_{\varphi} = e_3 e^{-2U} \mathbb{C} \mathcal{M}_{(4)} \partial^r \mathcal{Z} - \mathcal{Z} \partial_{\theta} \omega_{\varphi} ,$$
(5.9)

which directly follow from (2.5) (indices are raised and lowered using $g^{(3)}$). We find, for the D=4 metric (2.3), the relevant quantities:

$$e^{2U} = \frac{\tilde{\Delta}}{\rho^2}; \qquad \omega = \frac{2 m \alpha \sin^2 \theta \left((P_c - P_s) r + 2mP_s \right)}{\tilde{\Delta}}, \qquad (5.10)$$

with the following expressions for the 3D scalars Z^M fields

$$Z_{1} = \frac{1}{\rho^{4}} \left(\sqrt{2} \, m\alpha \cos\theta \left(c_{2} c_{3} c_{4} s_{5} \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta + r(r + 2m s_{5}^{2}) \right) \right) - s_{2} s_{3} s_{4} c_{5} \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta + (r - 2m)(r + 2m s_{5}^{2}) \right) \right),$$

$$Z_{2} = \frac{1}{\rho^{4}} \left(2\sqrt{2} \, m^{2} \alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta \left((c_{2}^{2} + s_{2}^{2}) s_{3} c_{3} s_{4} c_{4} s_{5} c_{5} - s_{2} c_{2} (2s_{3}^{2} s_{4}^{2} s_{5}^{2} + s_{3}^{2} s_{4}^{2} + s_{3}^{2} s_{5}^{2} + s_{4}^{2} s_{5}^{2}) \right) + \sqrt{2} \, m s_{2} c_{2} \left(r\alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta + (r + 2m s_{3}^{2})(r + 2m s_{4}^{2})(r + 2m s_{5}^{2}) \right),$$

$$Z_{3} = Z_{2} \left(2 \leftrightarrow 3 \right), \qquad Z_{4} = Z_{2} \left(2 \leftrightarrow 4 \right), \qquad Z_{5} = Z_{2} \left(2 \leftrightarrow 5 \right),$$

$$Z_{6} = -Z_{1} \left(5 \leftrightarrow 2 \right), \qquad Z_{7} = -Z_{1} \left(5 \leftrightarrow 3 \right), \qquad Z_{8} = -Z_{1} \left(5 \leftrightarrow 4 \right). \quad (5.11)$$

The integration of the above equations yields the following result for the φ -components of the 4-dimensional vector fields:

$$A_{\varphi}^{1} = -\frac{\sqrt{2} m \Delta \cos \theta c_{5} s_{5}}{\tilde{\Delta}},$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{2} = -\frac{\sqrt{2} m \alpha \sin^{2} \theta \left(c_{2} s_{3} s_{4} s_{5} (2m-r) + r s_{2} c_{3} c_{4} c_{5}\right)}{\tilde{\Delta}},$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{3} = A_{\varphi}^{2} (2 \leftrightarrow 3), \qquad A_{\varphi}^{4} = A_{\varphi}^{2} (2 \leftrightarrow 4), \qquad A_{\varphi}^{5} = A_{\varphi}^{2} (2 \leftrightarrow 5),$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{6} = -A_{\varphi}^{1} (5 \leftrightarrow 2), \qquad A_{\varphi}^{7} = -A_{\varphi}^{1} (5 \leftrightarrow 3), \qquad A_{\varphi}^{8} = -A_{\varphi}^{1} (5 \leftrightarrow 4). \tag{5.12}$$

In this case, we find, from eqs. (2.17), the following expression for the ADM-mass, the electric-magnetic charges $\Gamma^M = (p_0, \overrightarrow{p_i}, q_0, \overrightarrow{q_i})$, the angular momentum M_{φ} and the entropy S (given by eq. (3.7))

$$M_{\text{ADM}} = \frac{1}{8} m \left(\frac{1}{\beta_2} + \beta_2 + \frac{1}{\beta_3} + \beta_3 + \frac{1}{\beta_4} + \beta_4 + \frac{1}{\beta_5} + \beta_5 \right),$$

$$\Gamma^M = \left(\frac{m(-1 + \beta_5^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_5}, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{m(1 - \beta_2^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_2}, \frac{m(1 - \beta_3^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_3}, \frac{m(1 - \beta_4^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_4} \right),$$

$$M_{\varphi} = m \alpha \left(P_c - P_s \right),$$

$$S = 2\pi m \left[m \left(P_c + P_s \right) + c \left(P_c - P_s \right) \right],$$
(5.13)

where $c = \sqrt{m^2 - \alpha^2}$.

5.1 Extremal limits

Let us start redefining:

$$\beta_{\ell'} \to m^{\sigma_{\ell'}} \beta_{\ell'}, \qquad \alpha \to m\Omega \qquad (\ell' = 2, 3, 4, 5)$$
 (5.14)

where $\sigma_{\ell'} = \pm 1$, and introduce also the symbol $\zeta_{\sigma} = \prod_{\ell'} \sigma_{\ell'}$. Next, send m to zero keeping the other parameters fixed.

There are 16 different ways to rescale the four $\beta_{\ell'}$ -parameters and the general results for the extremal limits of the ADM-mass, electric-magnetic charges Γ^M , angular momentum M_{φ} , entropy S and the quartic invariant I_4 are

$$M_{\text{ADM}}^{(\text{extr})} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\ell'} \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell'}^{\sigma_{\ell'}}},$$

$$\Gamma^{M(\text{extr})} = \left(\frac{-\sigma_{5}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{5}^{\sigma_{5}}}, 0, 0, 0, 0, \frac{\sigma_{2}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{2}^{\sigma_{2}}}, \frac{\sigma_{3}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{3}^{\sigma_{3}}}, \frac{\sigma_{4}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{4}^{\sigma_{4}}}\right),$$

$$I_{4} = -4 p_{0}^{e} q_{1}^{e} q_{2}^{e} q_{3}^{e} = \frac{1}{16} \zeta_{\sigma} \prod_{\ell'} \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell'}^{\sigma_{\ell'}}},$$

$$M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})} = \frac{\Omega}{16} \sqrt{\prod_{\ell'} \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell'}^{\sigma_{\ell'}}} (1 - \zeta_{\sigma})} = \frac{\Omega}{4} \sqrt{|I_{4}|} (1 - \zeta_{\sigma}),$$

$$S^{(\text{extr})} = \pi \sqrt{|I_{4}| - 4(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})})^{2}} = \pi \sqrt{|I_{4}|} \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2}\Omega^{2}(1 - \zeta_{\sigma})},$$
(5.15)

where we have used the short notation $\Gamma^{M(\text{extr})} = (p_0^e, 0, 0, 0, 0, q_1^e, q_2^e, q_3^e)$ for the extremal charges. The solutions can be classified as

$$\begin{split} \text{BPS}: \quad &I_4(p^e,q^e)>0 \qquad \sigma_2=\sigma_3=\sigma_4\,;\\ \text{non-BPS 1}: \quad &I_4(p^e,q^e)>0 \qquad \sigma_2,\sigma_3,\sigma_4 \text{ not all equal}\,;\\ \text{non-BPS 2}: \quad &I_4(p^e,q^e)<0\,. \end{split}$$

Then, we can write the extremal limits for the 4-D vector fields $A_{\varphi}^{M({\rm extr})}$ as

$$A_{\varphi}^{\ell'(\text{extr})} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{r} M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})} \sin^2 \theta \, \zeta_{\sigma} \, \sigma_{\ell'} \qquad (\ell' = 2, 3, 4, 5) \,,$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{\ell \, (\text{extr})} = -\Gamma^{\ell \, (\text{extr})} \cos \theta \qquad (\ell = 1, 6, 7, 8) \,. \qquad (5.16)$$

We obtain, for the quantities involved in the metric expression, the following extremal limits

$$e^{2U(\text{extr})} = \left(H_2 H_3 H_4 H_5 - \frac{4 \cos^2 \theta \left(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}\right)^2}{r^4}\right)^{-1/2},$$

$$\omega = \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}}{r},$$
(5.17)

where, in the previous expressions, we have used the harmonic functions

$$H_{5} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |p_{0}^{e}|}{r}, \qquad H_{2} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |q_{1}^{e}|}{r},$$

$$H_{3} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |q_{2}^{e}|}{r}, \qquad H_{4} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |q_{3}^{e}|}{r}. \qquad (5.18)$$

The extremal limits for the 4-D z scalar fields are

$$z_{1}^{(\text{extr})} = -\sigma_{2}\sigma_{5} \frac{2 \cos \theta \, M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}}{H_{2}H_{5} \, r^{2}} - i \, \frac{e^{-2U^{(\text{extr})}}}{H_{2}H_{5}} \,,$$

$$z_{2}^{(\text{extr})} = z_{1} \, (2 \leftrightarrow 3) \,,$$

$$z_{3}^{(\text{extr})} = z_{1} \, (2 \leftrightarrow 4) \,, \tag{5.19}$$

while the limits for the 3-D scalar fields $Z^{M(\text{extr})}$ read

$$Z^{1(\text{extr})} = -\sigma_{5} \frac{\sqrt{2} H_{5} r^{2} \cos \theta M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}}{H_{2} H_{3} H_{4} H_{5} r^{4} - 4 \cos^{2} \theta (M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})})^{2}},$$

$$Z^{2(\text{extr})} = \sigma_{2} \frac{-H_{3} H_{4} H_{5} r^{3} |q_{1}^{e}| + 2\sqrt{2} \cos \theta (M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})})^{2}}{H_{2} H_{3} H_{4} H_{5} r^{4} - 4 \cos^{2} \theta (M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})})^{2}},$$

$$Z^{3(\text{extr})} = Z^{2(\text{extr})} (2 \leftrightarrow 3, |q_{1}^{e}| \rightarrow |q_{2}^{e}|),$$

$$Z^{4(\text{extr})} = Z^{2(\text{extr})} (2 \leftrightarrow 4, |q_{1}^{e}| \rightarrow |q_{3}^{e}|),$$

$$Z^{5(\text{extr})} = Z^{2(\text{extr})} (2 \leftrightarrow 5, |q_{1}^{e}| \rightarrow |p_{0}^{e}|),$$

$$Z^{6(\text{extr})} = -Z^{1(\text{extr})} (5 \leftrightarrow 2),$$

$$Z^{7(\text{extr})} = -Z^{1(\text{extr})} (5 \leftrightarrow 3),$$

$$Z^{8(\text{extr})} = -Z^{1(\text{extr})} (5 \leftrightarrow 4).$$

$$(5.21)$$

6 The q_0, p^i -case

Now let us consider the solution generated using the second subgroup of commuting generators $\mathcal{J}_{\ell} = \{\mathcal{J}_1, \mathcal{J}_6, \mathcal{J}_7, \mathcal{J}_8\}$, that give an Harrison transformation of the form¹¹

$$\mathcal{O}_{(q_0, p^i)} = e^{\log(\beta_\ell) \, \mathcal{J}_\ell}, \quad \ell = 1, 6, 7, 8.$$
 (6.1)

to the Kerr solution, and solving the corresponding matrix equation

$$\mathcal{M}[\Phi^{I}(r,\theta)] = \mathcal{O}_{(q_0,p^i)} \mathcal{M}[\Phi^{I}_{(K)}(r,\theta)] \mathcal{O}^{T}_{(q_0,p^i)}.$$
 (6.2)

Introduce now the combination of the β -parameters:

$$c_{\ell} = \frac{1 + \beta_{\ell}}{2\sqrt{\beta_{\ell}}}, \qquad s_{\ell} = \frac{-1 + \beta_{\ell}}{2\sqrt{\beta_{\ell}}} \qquad (\ell = 1, 6, 7, 8)$$

$$P_{c} = c_{1} c_{6} c_{7} c_{8}, \qquad P_{s} = s_{1} s_{6} s_{7} s_{8}.$$

¹¹For the D=3 description of this solution see [22].

and also the quantity

$$\rho^{4} = \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + (r + 2ms_{1}^{2})(r + 2ms_{6}^{2})\right) \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + (r + 2ms_{7}^{2})(r + 2ms_{8}^{2})\right) + 4\alpha^{2} m^{2} (s_{1}s_{6}c_{7}c_{8} + c_{1}c_{6}s_{7}s_{8})^{2} \cos^{2} \theta.$$
(6.3)

The 4-dimensional scalars $z_i = \epsilon_i - i e^{\varphi_i}$ can be now written as

$$z_{1} = \frac{-2 m \alpha \cos \theta (s_{1} s_{6} c_{7} c_{8} + c_{1} c_{6} s_{7} s_{8}) - i \rho^{2}}{\alpha^{2} \cos^{2} \theta + (r + 2 m s_{7}^{2})(r + 2 m s_{8}^{2})},$$

$$z_{2} = z_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 7),$$

$$z_{3} = z_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 8).$$
(6.4)

The relevant quantities for the D=4 metric reads:

$$e^{2U} = \frac{\tilde{\Delta}}{\rho^2},$$

$$\omega = \frac{2 m \alpha \sin^2 \theta \left((P_c + P_s) r - 2mP_s \right)}{\tilde{\Delta}},$$
(6.5)

with the following expressions for the 3D scalars \mathbb{Z}^M fields

$$Z_{1} = -\frac{1}{\rho^{4}} \left(2\sqrt{2} \, m^{2} \alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta \left((c_{1}^{2} + s_{1}^{2}) s_{6} c_{6} s_{7} c_{7} s_{8} c_{8} + s_{1} c_{1} \left(2s_{6}^{2} s_{7}^{2} s_{8}^{2} + s_{6}^{2} s_{7}^{2} + s_{7}^{2} s_{8}^{2} + s_{6}^{2} s_{8}^{2} \right) \right) - + \sqrt{2} \, m s_{1} c_{1} \left(r \alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta + (r + 2m s_{6}^{2}) (r + 2m s_{7}^{2}) (r + 2m s_{8}^{2}) \right) \right),$$

$$Z_{2} = \frac{1}{\rho^{4}} \left(\sqrt{2} \, m \alpha \cos\theta \left(c_{1} s_{6} c_{7} c_{8} \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta + r (r + 2m s_{6}^{2}) \right) \right) + s_{1} c_{6} s_{7} s_{8} \left(\alpha^{2} \cos^{2}\theta + (r - 2m) (r + 2m s_{6}^{2}) \right) \right) \right),$$

$$Z_{3} = Z_{2} \left(6 \leftrightarrow 7 \right), \qquad Z_{4} = Z_{2} \left(6 \leftrightarrow 8 \right), \qquad Z_{5} = -Z_{2} \left(6 \leftrightarrow 1 \right),$$

$$Z_{6} = Z_{1} \left(1 \leftrightarrow 6 \right), \qquad Z_{7} = Z_{1} \left(1 \leftrightarrow 7 \right), \qquad Z_{8} = Z_{1} \left(1 \leftrightarrow 8 \right). \tag{6.6}$$

The φ -components of the 4-dimensional vector fields are:

$$A_{\varphi}^{1} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \, m \, \alpha \, \sin^{2}\theta \, \left(c_{1}s_{6}s_{7}s_{8}(2m-r) - r \, s_{1}c_{6}c_{7}c_{8}\right)}{\tilde{\Delta}} \,,$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{2} = -\frac{\sqrt{2} \, m \, \Delta \, \cos\theta \, c_{6}s_{6}}{\tilde{\Delta}} \,,$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{3} = A_{\varphi}^{2} \, (6 \leftrightarrow 7) \,, \qquad A_{\varphi}^{4} = A_{\varphi}^{2} \, (6 \leftrightarrow 8) \,, \qquad A_{\varphi}^{5} = -A_{\varphi}^{2} \, (6 \leftrightarrow 1) \,,$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{6} = A_{\varphi}^{1} \, (1 \leftrightarrow 6) \,, \qquad A_{\varphi}^{7} = A_{\varphi}^{1} \, (1 \leftrightarrow 7) \,, \qquad A_{\varphi}^{8} = A_{\varphi}^{1} \, (1 \leftrightarrow 8) \,. \tag{6.7}$$

In this frame, we find the following expression for the ADM-mass, the electric-magnetic charges $\Gamma^M = (p_0, \overrightarrow{p_i}, q_0, \overrightarrow{q_i})$, the angular momentum M_{φ} and the entropy S (given

by eq. (3.7))

$$M_{\text{ADM}} = \frac{1}{8} m \left(\frac{1}{\beta_1} + \beta_1 + \frac{1}{\beta_6} + \beta_6 + \frac{1}{\beta_7} + \beta_7 + \frac{1}{\beta_8} + \beta_8 \right),$$

$$\Gamma^M = \left(0, \frac{m(-1 + \beta_6^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_6}, \frac{m(-1 + \beta_7^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_7}, \frac{m(-1 + \beta_8^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_8}, \frac{m(1 - \beta_1^2)}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_1}, 0, 0, 0 \right),$$

$$M_{\varphi} = m \alpha \left(P_c + P_s \right),$$

$$S = 2\pi m \left[m \left(P_c - P_s \right) + c \left(P_c + P_s \right) \right],$$
(6.8)

where $c = \sqrt{m^2 - \alpha^2}$.

6.1 Extremal limits

Let us redefine:

$$\beta_{\ell} \to m^{\sigma_{\ell}} \beta_{\ell}, \qquad \alpha \to m\Omega \qquad (\ell = 1, 6, 7, 8)$$
 (6.9)

where $\sigma_{\ell} = \pm 1$ and $\zeta_{\sigma} = \prod_{\ell} \sigma_{\ell}$. Then, send m to zero keeping the other parameters fixed. We find again 16 different ways to rescale the four β_{ℓ} -parameters and the results for the extremal limits of the ADM-mass, electric-magnetic charges Γ^{M} , angular momentum M_{φ} , entropy S and the quartic invariant I_{4} read

$$M_{\text{ADM}}^{(\text{extr})} = \frac{1}{8} \sum_{\ell} \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell}^{\sigma_{\ell}}},$$

$$\Gamma^{M^{(\text{extr})}} = \left(0, \frac{-\sigma_{6}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{6}^{\sigma_{6}}}, \frac{-\sigma_{7}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{7}^{\sigma_{7}}}, \frac{-\sigma_{8}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{8}^{\sigma_{8}}}, \frac{\sigma_{1}}{2\sqrt{2}\beta_{1}^{\sigma_{1}}}, 0, 0, 0\right),$$

$$I_{4} = 4 q_{0}^{e} p_{1}^{e} p_{2}^{e} p_{3}^{e} = -\frac{1}{16} \zeta_{\sigma} \prod_{\ell} \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell}^{\sigma_{\ell}}},$$

$$M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})} = \frac{\Omega}{16} \sqrt{\prod_{\ell} \frac{1}{\beta_{\ell}^{\sigma_{\ell}}} (1 + \zeta_{\sigma})} = \frac{\Omega}{4} \sqrt{|I_{4}|} (1 + \zeta_{\sigma}),$$

$$S^{(\text{extr})} = \pi \sqrt{|I_{4}| - 4(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})})^{2}} = \pi \sqrt{|I_{4}|} \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{2}\Omega^{2}(1 + \zeta_{\sigma})},$$
(6.10)

where we have used now the short notation $\Gamma^{M^{(\text{extr})}} = (0, p_1^e, p_2^e, p_3^e, q_0^e, 0, 0, 0)$ for the extremal charges. Also in this case the solutions can be classified as

$$\begin{split} \text{BPS}: \quad & I_4(p^e,q^e) > 0 \quad \sigma_6 = \sigma_7 = \sigma_8 \,; \\ \text{non-BPS 1}: \quad & I_4(p^e,q^e) > 0 \quad \sigma_6,\sigma_7,\sigma_8 \text{ not all equal} \,; \\ \text{non-BPS 2}: \quad & I_4(p^e,q^e) < 0 \,. \end{split}$$

The extremal limits for the 4-D vector fields $A_{\varphi}^{M({\rm extr})}$ can be written

$$A_{\varphi}^{\ell \text{ (extr)}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{r} M_{\varphi}^{\text{(extr)}} \sin^2 \theta \, \zeta_{\sigma} \, \sigma_{\ell} \qquad (\ell = 1, 6, 7, 8) \,,$$

$$A_{\varphi}^{\ell' \text{(extr)}} = -\Gamma^{\ell' \text{(extr)}} \cos \theta \qquad (\ell' = 2, 3, 4, 5) \,. \tag{6.11}$$

We obtain, for the quantities involved in the metric expression, the following extremal limits

$$e^{2U(\text{extr})} = \left(H_1 H_6 H_7 H_8 - \frac{4 \cos^2 \theta \left(M_{\varphi}^{\text{(extr)}}\right)^2}{r^4}\right)^{-1/2},$$

$$\omega = \frac{2 \sin^2 \theta M_{\varphi}^{\text{(extr)}}}{r} \tag{6.12}$$

where, in the previous expressions, we have used the harmonic functions

$$H_{6} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |p_{1}^{e}|}{r}, \qquad H_{7} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |p_{2}^{e}|}{r},$$

$$H_{8} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |p_{3}^{e}|}{r}, \qquad H_{1} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{2} |q_{0}^{e}|}{r}. \qquad (6.13)$$

The limits for the 4-D z scalar fields read

$$z_{1}^{(\text{extr})} = -\sigma_{1}\sigma_{6} \frac{2 \cos \theta M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}}{H_{7}H_{8} r^{2}} - i \frac{e^{-2U^{(\text{extr})}}}{H_{7}H_{8}},$$

$$z_{2}^{(\text{extr})} = z_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 7),$$

$$z_{3}^{(\text{extr})} = z_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 8),$$
(6.14)

while the limits for the 3-D scalar fields $Z^{M(\text{extr})}$ are

$$Z^{1(\text{extr})} = -\sigma_{1} \frac{H_{6}H_{7}H_{8} r^{3} |q_{0}^{e}| + 2\sqrt{2} \cos\theta \left(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}\right)^{2}}{H_{1}H_{6}H_{7}H_{8} r^{4} - 4 \cos^{2}\theta \left(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}\right)^{2}},$$

$$Z^{2(\text{extr})} = -\sigma_{6} \frac{\sqrt{2} H_{6} r^{2} \cos\theta M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}}{H_{1}H_{6}H_{7}H_{8} r^{4} - 4 \cos^{2}\theta \left(M_{\varphi}^{(\text{extr})}\right)^{2}},$$

$$Z^{3(\text{extr})} = Z^{2(\text{extr})} (6 \leftrightarrow 7),$$

$$Z^{4(\text{extr})} = Z^{2(\text{extr})} (6 \leftrightarrow 8),$$

$$Z^{5(\text{extr})} = -Z^{2(\text{extr})} (1 \leftrightarrow 6),$$

$$Z^{6(\text{extr})} = Z^{1(\text{extr})} (1 \leftrightarrow 6, |q_{0}^{e}| \rightarrow |p_{1}^{e}|),$$

$$Z^{7(\text{extr})} = Z^{1(\text{extr})} (1 \leftrightarrow 7, |q_{0}^{e}| \rightarrow |p_{2}^{e}|),$$

$$Z^{8(\text{extr})} = Z^{1(\text{extr})} (1 \leftrightarrow 8, |q_{0}^{e}| \rightarrow |p_{3}^{e}|).$$

$$(6.16)$$

7 The 5th parameter and concluding remarks

Although the main focus of this note is the geometrical relationship between G-orbits of black holes, we observe that the extremal static and under-rotating solutions found above are 4-parameter solutions, the parameters being related to the four charges in the two normal forms $\{q_0, p^i\}$ and $\{p^0, q_i\}$. It is known, see for instance [36–41, 43, 44], that the most general solution to the symmetric supergravities considered here (which have

the STU model as a consistent truncation), modulo action of G_4 (i.e. the seed solution with respect to the action of G_4), has 5 independent parameters. These can be written in terms of five independent H_4 -invariants computed at radial infinity (depending on ϕ_0^s and p^Λ , q_Λ). This number 5 is nothing but the rank p of H^*/H_c , introduced in section 4, plus one (in the T^3 -model p=2 and the seed solution with respect to G_4 is a three-parameter one). In the D=3 description, a larger symmetry group G is manifest. In particular on the charges we can act by means of the group $H_c=\mathrm{U}(1)_E\times H_4$ which contains, besides H_4 , an additional $\mathrm{U}(1)_E$ -symmetry. Using it we can reduce the number of independent invariants characterizing the solution from p+1=5 to p=4, so that the seed solution with respect to G is a four-parameter solution characterized by electric and magnetic charges in one of the two normal forms of Γ^M with respect to H_c : $\{q_0, p^i\}$ and $\{p^0, q_i\}$. In support of this argument we observe that the nilpotent H^* -orbits of Q, corresponding to the extremal, regular, single-center solutions are unique and contain the 4-parameter solutions constructed here (see for instance [13, 17, 45–48]).

We have explicitly checked in the STU model that, acting on the 4-parameter BPS and non-BPS extremal solutions by means of a combination of $U(1)_E$ and Harrison transformations, the 5th parameter can be generated. In the STU model the 5 H_4 -invariants can be constructed out of the central and matter charges $(Z(\phi^s, p, q), Z_{\mathbf{I}}(\phi^s, p, q), \mathbf{I} = 1, 2, 3)$, in terms of their moduli and overall phase and read (in the chosen symplectic frame):

5 invariants = {
$$|Z|, |Z_{I}|, \operatorname{Arg}(Z\bar{Z}_{1}\bar{Z}_{2}\bar{Z}_{3})$$
}. (7.1)

where the central and matter charges are defined as (see appendix A):

$$Z = -V^T \mathbb{C} \Gamma; \qquad Z_{\mathbf{I}} = -e_{\mathbf{I}}{}^i D_i V^T \mathbb{C} \Gamma, \tag{7.2}$$

 $e_{\mathbf{I}}^{i}$ being the inverse complex vielbein on $\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{scal}}^{(4)}$ and $V^{M}(\phi^{s})$ is the covariantly holomorphic section of the symplectic bundle on the manifold. If we start from the solutions with charges in the normal form q_{0} , p^{i} , we apply to it an Ehlers transformation $\mathcal{O}_{E}(\alpha)$ followed by a Harrison one $\mathcal{O}_{H}(v_{\ell'})$ in $\exp(\mathbb{J}^{(N)})$, where $\mathbb{J}^{(N)}$ corresponds to the other normal form, namely p^{0} , q_{i} . The Harrison parameters are then determined in terms of α , $v_{\ell'} = v_{\ell'}(\alpha)$, in order to cancel the NUT charge produced by $\mathcal{O}_{E}(\alpha)$. The resulting transformation generating the 5th-parameter reads then:

$$\mathcal{O}_{5^{\text{th}} \text{ par.}} = \mathcal{O}_E(\alpha) \, \mathcal{O}_H(v_{\ell'}(\alpha)) \,. \tag{7.3}$$

We have checked on the extremal solutions that the five invariants (7.1) are independent functions of q_0, p^i and α and therefore conclude that 5^{th} parameter can be generated by means of G. We refer the reader to appendix B for an explicit calculation.

As a general comment, let us observe that in order to find the 5-parameter solution we had to perform a set of non-commuting Ehlers and Harrison transformations on the 4-parameter solution, whose net effect is to modify topological properties of the D=4 black

 $[\]overline{}^{12}$ In other words, in these models, one can define a maximal set of five functionally independent functions $\mathcal{I}_1, \ldots, \mathcal{I}_5$ of ϕ_0^s and Γ^M which are invariant under the action of G_4 on both the scalar fields at infinity and the electric-magnetic charges.

hole. More precisely, we introduced the 5th parameter by a NUT-charge-generating $U(1)_E$ transformation in D=3, and then converted it, by an appropriate Harrison transformation into a gauge charge non-commuting with the other gauge charges. In the D=3 description, where all the bosonic degrees of freedom of the stationary black hole solution (corresponding to the metric, the gauge vectors and the D=4 scalars) are collectively described by the scalar sigma-model G/H^* , the above prescription is among the allowed symmetry transformations on the set of conserved charges. However, in the D=4 description this transformation is highly non trivial: it generates the 5th parameter as a NUT charge, that is as a non-trivial topology of space-time, and then (in order to have an asymptotically flat black hole solution) trades it into a gauge charge thus adding to the non triviality of the gauge bundle. In our setting we have chosen to fix the scalars at radial infinity to their origin, otherwise, for the extremal $I_4 < 0$ black hole, the same solution could have been converted, by the action of G_4/H_4 , into one where the gauge bundle has commuting charges but the axions acquire a non trivial value at radial infinity [32, 44, 50, 51]. Instead of referring to the D=3 description, the other way adopted in [32, 49, 50], to find the D=4 seed solution has been via Kaluza-Klein reduction from D=5. Also in this case, the seed solution of D=4 stationary, asymptotically flat black holes was found to correspond to a 5D NUT-charge configuration with angular momentum.

We conclude that in all its descriptions the seed, 5-parameter, solution should have an additional non-trivial topological feature with respect to the 4-parameter one. This distinction, at least for the $I_4 < 0$ extremal black hole in the static case, reflects itself in the different behavior of the harmonic functions $\mathbf{H} = (H^M)$ characterizing the solution:

In the 4-parameter solution they obey the relation $\mathbf{H}^T \cdot \mathbb{C} \cdot \partial_r \mathbf{H} = 0$, while the 5-parameter seed solution satisfies $\mathbf{H}^T \cdot \mathbb{C} \cdot \partial_r \mathbf{H} \neq 0$. This shows that the transformation connecting the two cannot be a D=4 global symmetry which would leave the symplectic product unaltered.

The study of the extremal limits, started in [23] and concluded here, was also a testing ground for the newly defined \mathfrak{g} -valued matrix Q_{ψ} , which encodes the rotation property of the solution and which allows to directly compute the action of the symmetry group G on the angular momentum M_{φ} . We have seen that, in spite of having the manifestly G_4 -invariant expression in (4.9), this quantity is far from being G-invariant. In the nonextremal case even the manifest G_4 -invariance of both M_{φ} and of the entropy S, as functions of the electric-magnetic charges alone, is lost. We have argued at the end of section 4 that, if we retain the dependence of these two quantities from the boundary values ϕ_0^s of the scalar fields at radial infinity (that we have fixed to zero in the present analysis), then as functions of both ϕ_0^s and Γ^M , they could still be G_4 -invariant. This was proven for M_{φ} at the end of section 3 on general grounds. As pointed out earlier, in the class of models we have been considering here there are five independent G_4 -invariant functions $(\mathcal{I}_n) = (\mathcal{I}_1, \dots, \mathcal{I}_5)$ of ϕ_0^s and Γ^M , which reduce to those in (7.1) once we restrict to the STU truncation. We leave the determination of the explicit expression of M_{φ} , $M_{\rm ADM}$ and S in terms of \mathcal{I}_n in the Kerr-orbit to a future investigation. We just notice here that, once we solve this problem for the STU model, the same expressions in terms of \mathcal{I}_n hold for all the other symmetric models.

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A The STU model

The STU model is an $\mathcal{N}=2$ supergravity coupled to three vector multiplets $(n_s=6, n_v=4)$ and with:

$$\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}^{(D=4)} = \frac{G_4}{H_4} = \left(\frac{\text{SL}(2,\mathbb{R})}{\text{SO}(2)}\right)^3. \tag{A.1}$$

This manifold is a complex spacial Kähler space spanned by three complex scalar fields $z^a = \{S, T, U\}$. The D = 4 scalar metric for the STU model reads

$$dS_4^2 = g_{rs} \, d\phi^s d\phi^r = 2 \, g_{a\bar{b}} dz^a d\bar{z}^{\bar{b}} = -2 \sum_{a=1}^3 \frac{dz^a d\bar{z}^{\bar{a}}}{(z^a - \bar{z}^{\bar{a}})^2} = \sum_{\mathbf{I}=1}^3 e_i^{\mathbf{I}} \bar{e}_{\bar{\imath}}^{\mathbf{I}} \, dz^i \, d\bar{z}^{\bar{\imath}}. \tag{A.2}$$

We also consider the real parametrization $\{\phi^s\} = \{\epsilon_i, \varphi_i\}$, related to the complex one by: $z_i = \epsilon_i - i e^{\varphi_i}$. The Kähler potential has the simple form: $e^{-K} = 8 e^{\varphi_1 + \varphi_2 + \varphi_3}$. In the chosen symplectic frame (i.e. the special coordinate frame originating from Kaluza Klein reduction from D = 5), the special geometry of $\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}^{(D=4)}$ is characterized by a holomorphic prepotential $\mathcal{F}(z) = z_1 z_2 z_3$. The holomorphic $\Omega^M(z)$ section of the symplectic bundle reads:

$$\Omega^{M}(z) = \{1, z_1, z_2, z_3, -z_1 z_2 z_3, z_2 z_3, z_1 z_3, z_1 z_2\},$$
(A.3)

while the covariantly holomorphic section is given by $V^M(z,\bar{z}) = e^{\frac{K}{2}} \Omega^M(z)$. In terms of V^M and of its covariant derivatives D_i $(D_iV := \partial_iV + \frac{\partial_iK}{2}V)$ we write the central and matter charges (7.2) of a black hole solution with quantized charges $\Gamma = (\Gamma^M) = (p^{\Lambda}, q_{\Lambda})$:

$$\begin{split} Z &= -V^T \mathbb{C} \, \Gamma = e^{\frac{K}{2}} \left(-q_0 - q_1 z_1 - q_2 z_2 + p^3 z_1 z_2 - q_3 z_3 + p^2 z_1 z_3 + p^1 z_2 z_3 - p^0 z_1 z_2 z_3 \right), \\ Z_1 &= -e_1{}^i \, D_i V^T \mathbb{C} \, \Gamma = -i \, e^{\frac{K}{2}} \big(q_0 + q_2 z_2 + q_3 z_3 - p^1 z_2 z_3 + q_1 \bar{z}_1 - p^3 z_2 \bar{z}_1 - p^2 z_3 \bar{z}_1 + p^0 z_2 z_3 \bar{z}_1 \right), \\ Z_2 &= -e_2{}^i \, D_i V^T \mathbb{C} \, \Gamma = -i \, e^{\frac{K}{2}} \big(q_0 + q_1 z_1 + q_3 z_3 - p^2 z_1 z_3 + q_2 \bar{z}_2 - p^3 z_1 \bar{z}_2 - p^1 z_3 \bar{z}_2 + p^0 z_1 z_3 \bar{z}_2 \right), \\ Z_3 &= -e_3{}^i \, D_i V^T \mathbb{C} \, \Gamma = -i \, e^{\frac{K}{2}} \big(q_0 + q_1 z_1 + q_2 z_2 - p^3 z_1 z_2 + q_3 \bar{z}_3 - p^2 z_1 \bar{z}_3 - p^1 z_2 \bar{z}_3 + p^0 z_1 z_2 \bar{z}_3 \right). \end{split} \tag{A.4}$$

Let us also give the explicit form of the quartic invariant for the STU model:

$$I_4(p,q) = -(p^0)^2 q_0^2 - 2(-2p^1 p^2 p^3 + p^0 q_3 p^3 + p^0 p^1 q_1 + p^0 p^2 q_2) q_0 - (p^1)^2 q_1^2 - (p^2 q_2 - p^3 q_3)^2 + 2q_1 (p^1 p^3 q_3 + q_2 (p^1 p^2 - 2p^0 q_3)).$$
(A.5)

Upon timelike reduction to D=3 the scalar manifold has the form G/H^* with G=SO(4,4) and $H^*=SO(2,2)^2$. We describe the generators of $\mathfrak{g}=\mathfrak{so}(4,4)$ in terms of Cartan H_{α}

and shift generators $E_{\pm\alpha}$ in the fundamental representation, with the usual normalization convention:

$$[H_{\alpha}, E_{\pm \alpha}] = \pm 2 E_{\pm \alpha}; \qquad [E_{\alpha}, E_{-\alpha}] = H_{\alpha}. \tag{A.6}$$

In our notation $E_{-\alpha} = E_{\alpha}^{\dagger} = E_{\alpha}^{T}$. The positive roots of \mathfrak{g} split into: the root β_{0} of the Ehlers subalgebra $\mathfrak{sl}(2,\mathbb{R})_{E}$ commuting with the algebra \mathfrak{g}_{4} of G_{4} inside \mathfrak{g} ; the roots α_{i} , (i=1,2,3) of \mathfrak{g}_{4} and eight roots γ_{M} , $m=1,\ldots,8$. The special coordinate parametrization of $\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}^{(4)}$ corresponds to a solvable parametrization of the manifold in which the real coordinates $(\phi^{s}) = (\epsilon_{i}, \varphi_{i})$ are parameters of a solvable Lie algebra generated by $(T_{s}) = (E_{\alpha_{i}}, \frac{1}{2}H_{\alpha_{i}})$. The coset representative L_{4} is an element of the corresponding solvable group [53, 54] defined by the following exponentialization prescription:

$$L_4(\phi^s) = \exp(\phi^s T_s) = \prod_{i=1}^3 e^{\epsilon_i E_{\alpha_i}} e^{\varphi_i \frac{H_{\alpha_i}}{2}}.$$
 (A.7)

The solvable (or Borel) subalgebra Solv = Span(T_A), $\{T_A\} = \{H_0, T_{\bullet}, T_s, T_M\}$ of \mathfrak{g} used to define the parametrization of $\mathcal{M}_{\text{scal}}$ in terms of the D=3 scalars ϕ^I through the coset representative (2.14), is defined by the identification:

$$H_0 = \frac{H_{\beta_0}}{2}; \qquad T_{\bullet} = E_{\beta_0}; \qquad T_M = E_{\gamma_M}.$$
 (A.8)

The symplectic representation of T_s in the duality representation $\mathbf{R} = (\mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2}, \mathbf{2})$ of G_4 is defined through their adjoint action on T_M : $[T_s, T_M] = -T_{sM}{}^N T_N$. In order to reproduce the form of the $T_{sM}{}^N$ in the chosen special coordinate frame (A.3), the generators T_M corresponding to the roots γ_M , have to be ordered according to (4.3). In this basis, the symplectic representation of $L_4 = (L_{4M}{}^N)$ defined in (A.7) allows to define the matrix $\mathcal{M}_{(4)}$:

$$\mathcal{M}_{(4)\,MN} = -\sum_{P=1}^{8} (L_{4\,M}{}^{P})(L_{4\,N}{}^{P}). \tag{A.9}$$

We give, for the sake of completeness, the matrix form of $\phi^s T_s$ in the symplectic representation **R**:

$$\phi^{s} T_{s} = \sum_{i=1}^{3} \epsilon_{i} E_{\alpha_{i}} + \varphi_{i} \frac{H_{\alpha_{i}}}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ \mathbf{0} & -A^{T} \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\varphi_{1}}{2} + \frac{\varphi_{2}}{2} + \frac{\varphi_{3}}{2} & -\epsilon_{1} & -\epsilon_{2} & -\epsilon_{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{\varphi_{1}}{2} + \frac{\varphi_{2}}{2} + \frac{\varphi_{3}}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{\varphi_{1}}{2} - \frac{\varphi_{2}}{2} + \frac{\varphi_{3}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{\varphi_{1}}{2} + \frac{\varphi_{2}}{2} - \frac{\varphi_{3}}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\epsilon_{3} & -\epsilon_{2} \\ 0 & -\epsilon_{3} & 0 & -\epsilon_{1} \\ 0 & -\epsilon_{2} & -\epsilon_{1} & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
(A.10)

The pseudo-Cartan involution σ defining the decomposition of \mathfrak{g} into \mathfrak{H}^* and \mathfrak{K}^* is defined by the matrix $\eta = (-1)^{2H_0}$.

B Generating the 5th parameter

We give the details of the calculation only in the $I_4 < 0$ extremal solution. We start from the under-rotating, non-BPS extremal solution having $I_4 < 0$, with charges in the normal form q_0 , p^i . This was derived in subsection 6.1 taking, for instance, $\sigma_{\ell} \equiv +1$. We then apply the transformation:

$$\mathcal{O}_{5^{\text{th}} \text{ param}} = \exp(\alpha J_{\bullet}) \exp\left(\log\left(x(\alpha)\right) \mathcal{J}_{2} + \log\left(x(\alpha)\right) \mathcal{J}_{3} + \log\left(x(\alpha)\right) \mathcal{J}_{4} - \log\left(x(\alpha)\right) \mathcal{J}_{5}\right), \tag{B.1}$$

where $J_{\bullet} := E_{\beta_0} - E_{-\beta_0}$ is the generator of U(1)_E and $x(\alpha)$ is solution to the equation:

$$\sin(\alpha) = \frac{1 - x^4}{x^4 + 6x^2 + 1} \,. \tag{B.2}$$

The above relation is derived by the condition of vanishing NUT charge. Since for x > 0 there is a one to one correspondence between $\sin(\alpha)$ and x, instead of computing x as a function of α it is more convenient to express the latter in terms of the former and to substitute in Q and Q_{ψ} . The resulting solution is still defined by vanishing scalar fields at radial infinity $\phi_0^s = 0 \Leftrightarrow z_j = -i$, and its magnetic and electric charges read:

$$p_{0} = -\frac{x^{2} - 1}{2\sqrt{2}(x^{4} + 6x^{2} + 1)^{2}} \left((x^{2} - 1)^{2} \frac{1}{\beta_{1}} + (3x^{4} + 10x^{2} + 3) \left(\frac{1}{\beta_{6}} + \frac{1}{\beta_{7}} + \frac{1}{\beta_{8}} \right) \right),$$

$$p_{1} = -\frac{x\sqrt{3x^{4} + 10x^{2} + 3}}{2\sqrt{2}(x^{4} + 6x^{2} + 1)^{2}} \left((x^{2} - 1)^{2} \left(\frac{1}{\beta_{6}} + \frac{1}{\beta_{7}} + \frac{1}{\beta_{8}} \right) + (3x^{4} + 10x^{2} + 3) \frac{1}{\beta_{6}} \right),$$

$$p_{2} = p_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 7),$$

$$p_{3} = p_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 8),$$

$$q_{0} = -p_{1} (6 \leftrightarrow 1),$$

$$q_{1} = p_{0} (1 \leftrightarrow 6),$$

$$q_{2} = p_{0} (1 \leftrightarrow 7),$$

$$q_{3} = p_{0} (1 \leftrightarrow 8).$$
(B.3)

Computing the five invariants (7.1) with the above charges one can verify that they are independent functions of β_{ℓ} , x. The ADM mass and angular momentum read:

$$M_{\text{ADM}} = \frac{x(x^2+1)^3}{(x^4+6x^2+1)^2} \left(\frac{1}{\beta_1} + \frac{1}{\beta_6} + \frac{1}{\beta_7} + \frac{1}{\beta_8}\right),$$

$$M_{\varphi} = \frac{x^2\Omega}{(x^4+6x^2+1)\sqrt{\beta_1}\sqrt{\beta_6}\sqrt{\beta_7}\sqrt{\beta_8}} = \frac{\Omega}{2}\sqrt{|I_4(p,q)|},$$
(B.4)

thus confirming the general eq. (4.9) on the five parameter solution.

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