Exercise 6.7 Killing vectors of the Schwarzschild spacetime

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1    {t, r, \theta, \varphi}::Coordinate.
2    {a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h#}::Indices(values={t, r, \theta, \varphi}, position=independent).
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4    ;::Symbol.
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6    \partial{#}::PartialDerivative.
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8    g_{a b}::Metric.
9    g^{a b}::InverseMetric.  # essential when using complete (gab, $g^{a b}$)
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11   Gamma := \Gamma^{a}_{f g} -> 1/2 g^{a b} (   \partial_{g}{g_{b f}}
12                                              + \partial_{f}{g_{b g}}
13                                              - \partial_{b}{g_{f g}} ).
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15   deriv := \xi_{a ; b} -> \partial_{b}{\xi_{a}} - \Gamma^{c}_{a b} \xi_{c}.
16   lower := \xi_{a} -> g_{a b} \xi^{b}.
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18   expr  := \xi_{a ; b} + \xi_{b ; a}.                      # cdb(ex-0607.100,expr)
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20   substitute   (expr, deriv)                               # cdb(ex-0607.101,expr)
21   substitute   (expr, lower)                               # cdb(ex-0607.102,expr)
22   substitute   (expr, Gamma)                               # cdb(ex-0607.103,expr)
23   distribute   (expr)                                      # cdb(ex-0607.104,expr)
24   product_rule (expr)                                      # cdb(ex-0607.105,expr)
25   canonicalise (expr)                                      # cdb(ex-0607.106,expr)
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27   # choose a vector
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29   # Kvect := {\xi^{t} = 1}.
30   # Kvect := {\xi^{\varphi} = 1}.
31   Kvect := {\xi^{\theta} = \sin(\varphi), \xi^{\varphi} = \cos(\theta)/\sin(\theta) \cos(\varphi)}.
32   # Kvect := {\xi^{\theta} = \cos(\varphi), \xi^{\varphi} = - \cos(\theta)/\sin(\theta) \sin(\varphi)}.
33                                              # cdb(ex-0607.107,Kvect)
34
35   gab := { g_{t t}              = -(1-2*m/r),
36            g_{r r}              = 1/(1-(2*m/r)),
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37              g_{\theta\theta}    = r**2,
38              g_{\varphi\varphi} = r**2 \sin(\theta)**2.   # cdb(ex-0607.108,gab)
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40    complete   (gab, $g^{a b}$)                            # cdb(ex-0607.109,gab)
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42    evaluate   (expr, join (gab,Kvect))                   # cdb(ex-0607.110,expr)
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$$[\xi^a] = \left[\xi^\theta = \sin\varphi, \xi^\varphi = \cos\theta(\sin\theta)^{-1}\cos\varphi\right] \tag{ex-0607.107}$$

$$[g_{ab}] = \left[g_{tt} = -1 + 2\,mr^{-1}, g_{rr} = \left(1 - 2\,mr^{-1}\right)^{-1}, g_{\theta\theta} = r^2, g_{\varphi\varphi} = r^2\left(\sin\theta\right)^2\right] \tag{ex-0607.108}$$

$$[g_{ab}, g^{ab}] = \left[g_{tt} = -1 + 2\,mr^{-1}, g_{rr} = \left(1 - 2\,mr^{-1}\right)^{-1}, g_{\theta\theta} = r^2, g_{\varphi\varphi} = r^2\left(\sin\theta\right)^2, g^{tt} = \right.$$

$$\left. -r(-2\,m+r)^{-1}, g^{rr} = (-2\,m+r)\,r^{-1}, g^{\theta\theta} = r^{-2}, g^{\varphi\varphi} = \left(r^2\left(\sin\theta\right)^2\right)^{-1}\right] \tag{ex-0607.109}$$

$$\xi_{a;b} + \xi_{b;a} = \partial_b\xi_a - \Gamma^c{}_{ab}\xi_c + \partial_a\xi_b - \Gamma^c{}_{ba}\xi_c \tag{ex-0607.101}$$

$$= \partial_b(g_{ac}\xi^c) - \Gamma^c{}_{ab}g_{cd}\xi^d + \partial_a(g_{bc}\xi^c) - \Gamma^c{}_{ba}g_{cd}\xi^d \tag{ex-0607.102}$$

$$= \partial_b(g_{ac}\xi^c) - \frac{1}{2}\,g^{ce}\left(\partial_b g_{ea} + \partial_a g_{eb} - \partial_e g_{ab}\right)g_{cd}\xi^d + \partial_a(g_{bc}\xi^c) - \frac{1}{2}\,g^{ce}\left(\partial_a g_{eb} + \partial_b g_{ea} - \partial_e g_{ba}\right)g_{cd}\xi^d \tag{ex-0607.103}$$

$$= \partial_b(g_{ac}\xi^c) - g^{ce}\partial_b g_{ea}g_{cd}\xi^d - g^{ce}\partial_a g_{eb}g_{cd}\xi^d + \frac{1}{2}\,g^{ce}\partial_e g_{ab}g_{cd}\xi^d + \partial_a(g_{bc}\xi^c) + \frac{1}{2}\,g^{ce}\partial_e g_{ba}g_{cd}\xi^d \tag{ex-0607.104}$$

$$= \partial_b g_{ac}\xi^c + g_{ac}\partial_b\xi^c - g^{ce}\partial_b g_{ea}g_{cd}\xi^d - g^{ce}\partial_a g_{eb}g_{cd}\xi^d + \frac{1}{2}\,g^{ce}\partial_e g_{ab}g_{cd}\xi^d + \partial_a g_{bc}\xi^c + g_{bc}\partial_a\xi^c + \frac{1}{2}\,g^{ce}\partial_e g_{ba}g_{cd}\xi^d \tag{ex-0607.105}$$

$$= \partial_b g_{ac}\xi^c + g_{ac}\partial_b\xi^c - g^{cd}\partial_b g_{ac}g_{de}\xi^e - g^{cd}\partial_a g_{bc}g_{de}\xi^e + g^{cd}\partial_a g_{ab}g_{de}\xi^e + \partial_a g_{bc}\xi^c + g_{bc}\partial_a\xi^c \tag{ex-0607.106}$$

$$= 0 \tag{ex-0607.110}$$