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Heuristic Derivation of Black Hole Properties Using Dimensional

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[1] M. Blecher, General Relativity (World Scientific, Singapore, 2016) [2] H.E. Huntley, Dimensional Analysis (Dover, New York, 1967).

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