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Abstract: <p>Course Description coming soon.</p>

GR for Cosmology, Achim Kempf, Fall 2015, Lecture 14

Note Title

On $T^{\mu\nu}$, continued:

Recall: \square We defined $T^{\mu\nu}$ as that tensor which obeys for all $\delta g_{\mu\nu}(\lambda, x)$:

$$\frac{dS'}{d\lambda}\Big|_{\lambda=0} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathcal{B}} T^{\mu\nu} \delta g_{\mu\nu} \sqrt{g} d^4x$$

$= \frac{dg_{\mu\nu}(\lambda, x)}{d\lambda} \Big|_{\lambda=0}$

(we choose $T^{\mu\nu}$ symmetric because $g_{\mu\nu}$ is symmetric)

\square The above is meant when writing:

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$$g = \begin{pmatrix} g_{00}, 0, 0, 0 \\ 0, & \times \\ 0, & \times \\ 0, & \times \end{pmatrix} \quad (\times)$$

Example: The g of a stationary black hole that is rotating, given by the "Kerr metric".



Definition: A space-time is called "static", if the time-like Killing field ξ , viewed as a 1-form,

$$\xi = \xi_\nu dx^\nu$$

also obeys the "Frobenius condition":

$$\xi \wedge d\xi = 0 \quad (\text{F})$$

The "dominant energy condition":

$T_{\mu\nu} v^\mu v^\nu \geq 0$ for all timelike v (i.e., weak energy condition)

and

$K_\mu := T_{\mu\nu} v^\nu$ obeys $K_\mu K^\mu \leq 0$ (i.e., $T_{\mu\nu} v^\nu$ is non-space-like)

Why assume it? □ The local energy-momentum flow vector, K , may not be conserved but should be non-space-like:
"All flow should be into the future."

□ In an orthonormal basis, the dominant energy condition takes the form:

(Note: This is all intuition from fluid mechanics)

$$T^{00} \geq |T^{ab}|$$

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} = 0 \quad ?$$

Apparently not, because it would mean:

$$\frac{\delta S}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} = \frac{1}{2} T^{\mu\nu} = 0!$$

Thus, the universe would have to be empty of matter (assuming all matter has positive energy):

□ Andrei Sakharov (1968):

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□ \Rightarrow For small l_c , we have:

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The equations of motion for g :

The action principle, $\frac{\delta S_{\text{eff}}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} = 0$, yields:

$$\frac{\delta}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \int_B (c_1 + c_2 R_{\mu\nu} g^{\mu\nu}) \sqrt{g} d^4x = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{g} T^{\mu\nu}$$

in principle, it is the effective quantum expectation value

Evaluate the left hand side:

$$a.) \quad \delta \int_B c_1 \sqrt{g} d^4x = \int_B c_1 \frac{\delta \sqrt{g}}{\delta g_{\mu\nu}} \delta g_{\mu\nu} d^4x$$

recall: $= \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{g}$

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recall: $= G^{\mu\nu}$ "Einstein tensor"

Bringing together a) + b) + c) \Rightarrow

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symmetric \leftarrow

as in the case of the $T^{\mu\nu}$ calculation, one could add an antisymmetric part here and it would drop from the integrand.

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