

Construction of Universal Metrics

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What we know: plane wave metric solves the generic theory

- ▶ plane-wave solution for **Einstein's gravity**

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The Main Theorem

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satisfying the properties

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where $\bar{g}_{\mu\nu}$ is the metric of a space of constant curvature (AdS or dS) then any second rank symmetric tensor constructed from the Riemann tensor and its covariant derivatives can be written as a linear combination of $g_{\mu\nu}$, $S_{\mu\nu}$, and higher derivatives of $S_{\mu\nu}$ in the form $\square^n S_{\mu\nu}$ where \square represents the d'Alembertian with respect to $g_{\mu\nu}$, that is

$$E_{\mu\nu} = eg_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{n=0}^N a_n \square^n S_{\mu\nu}.$$

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Field Equations of Generic Gravity

Let the most general gravity theory be a $(2N+2)$ -derivative theory. As examples, for Einstein's gravity (and Einstein-Gauss-Bonnet gravity) $N=0$, for quadratic and $f(\text{Riemann})$ theories $N=1$. We have shown that the equations of the most general $(2N+2)$ -derivative gravity theory reduce, when evaluated for these metrics, to

$$\sum_{n=0}^N a_n \square^n S_{\mu\nu} = 0, \quad (2)$$

where a_n s are constants which are functions of the parameters of the theory. After some algebraic manipulations (2) reduces to

$$\prod_{n=1}^N (\mathcal{Q} - m_n^2) \mathcal{Q} V = 0, \quad (3)$$

whose generic solution is

$$V = V_E + \sum_{n=1}^N V_n \quad (4)$$

where the Einsteinian part (V_E) and the other (massive) parts satisfy the following equations

Field Equations of Generic Higher Derivative Gravity

$$\mathcal{Q}V_E = 0, \quad (\mathcal{Q} - m_n^2)V_n = 0, \quad (5)$$

for all $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$, provided that all m_n 's are different and none is zero. If any two or more m_n 's coincide or equal to zero, then the second equation in (5) changes in the following way: let r be the number (multiplicity) of m_n 's that are equal to m_r , then the corresponding V_r satisfies an irreducibly higher derivative equation

$$(\mathcal{Q} - m_r^2)^r V_r = 0, \quad (6)$$

with new branches so called log-solutions appear:

$$V = V_E + V_r + \sum_{n=0}^{N-r} V_n \quad (7)$$

and V_r contains \log^{r-1} terms. Maximal criticality is $r = N + 1$.

Note that derivative order of the theory is twice of the maximal criticality of the theory

A Remark: Linearized Equations

KSK Metrics solve also the linearized field equations of any generic theory of Gravity.

For a gravity theory of rank $N+1$ the linearized equations are (see T. Nutma, Polycritical Gravities, PRD. **85**, 124040 (2012))

$$\prod_{n=1}^N (\bar{\square} - 2\Lambda - m_n^2) \bar{\square} h_{\mu\nu} = 0, \quad (8)$$

with

$$\bar{\nabla}_\mu h^{\mu\nu} = 0. \quad (9)$$

$$\bar{g}^{\mu\nu} h_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad (10)$$

For KSK Metrics $h_{\mu\nu} = 2V\lambda_\mu\lambda_\nu$

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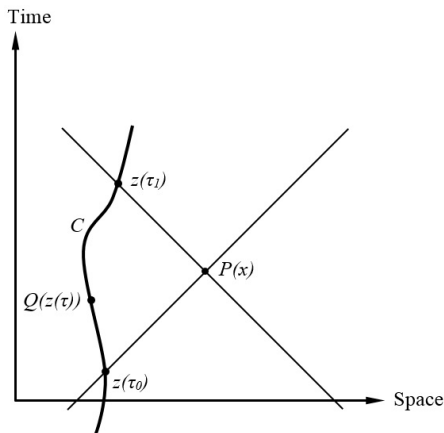
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An unexpected way of constructing the vectors λ and ξ

- ▶ KSK metrics in D -dimensions can be generated from curves in one less dimensions. (From Smooth Curves to Universal Metrics, PRD, Gürses, Sisman and Tekin, 2016)

Curves in D-Dimensional Minkowski



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equating λ vector to ℓ vector one finds

$$\xi_\mu = -\frac{2}{R} \left(\dot{z}_\mu + \frac{1}{2} (A - \varepsilon) \lambda_\mu \right) + \frac{2}{z} \delta_\mu^z. \quad (12)$$

To satisfy $\lambda^\mu \xi_\mu = 0$, we must have $\lambda_z = \frac{z}{R}$ and $z_z = 0$. Hence, all these curves live in a $(d-1)$ -dimensional Minkowski spacetime. In the AdS case curves are timelike, null and spacelike.

The prescription

When the seed metric is the dS metric:

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we find

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KSK Metrics in Robinson Trautman Coordinates

- ▶ The KSK Metrics in the coordinates (t, x, y, z) gives a very complicated expression for the operator \mathcal{L} .
- ▶ With this form, it is highly difficult to solve the equations for the metric function V .
- ▶ In addition, we must also satisfy $\lambda^\mu \partial_\mu V = 0$. For this purpose, there is a need to introduce new coordinates where both the metric and the operator \mathcal{L} take simpler forms.
- ▶ Two of the new coordinates are (the natural coordinates) τ and R . They are defined through $\Omega(\tau) = 0$ and $R = \dot{z}^\alpha(\tau) (x_\alpha - z_\alpha(\tau))$.

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The coordinate transformation can be given as
(Newman-Unti, JMP, 1963)

$$x^\mu = R\lambda^\mu(\tau, \text{angular coordinates}) + z^\mu(\tau), \quad \mu = 0, 1, 2, 3. \quad (15)$$

Here, the null vector λ^μ does not depend on the new coordinate R . In these new coordinates, we have

$$\partial_R V = \frac{\partial x^\mu}{\partial R} \partial_\mu V = \lambda^\mu \partial_\mu V = 0. \quad (16)$$

Hence, the metric function is independent of the new coordinate R . Furthermore, in the new coordinates, $\lambda_\mu dx^\mu = d\tau$. Hence, we have

$$ds^2 = d\bar{s}^2 + 2V(\tau, \text{angular coordinates}) d\tau^2, \quad (17)$$

where $d\bar{s}^2$ is the background line element. The new metric is found as (letting $r = R$)

$$ds^2 = \frac{1}{f^2} [Hd\tau^2 + 2d\tau dr + \frac{r^2}{2P^2} d\zeta d\bar{\zeta}] + 2V(\tau, \zeta, \bar{\zeta}) d\tau^2 \quad (18)$$

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For AdS Background:

$$H = \varepsilon - 2r \frac{P, \tau}{P}, \quad (19)$$

$$f = r \frac{k}{P} \left(1 - \zeta \bar{\zeta} / 4 \right) \quad (20)$$

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KSK Metrics in For dS Background in $D = 4$

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