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1 Introduction

2 Polynomial Affine Gravity

2.1 The action

The most general action up to boundary terms is

$$\begin{aligned}
S = \int dV^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} & \left[B_1 \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}{}^\mu{}_\rho \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\nu{}_\beta \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\rho{}_\delta + B_2 \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\beta}{}^\mu{}_\rho \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\nu{}_\delta \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\rho{}_\nu + B_3 \mathcal{R}_{\mu\nu}{}^\mu{}_\alpha \mathcal{B}_\beta{}^\nu{}_\gamma \mathcal{A}_\delta + B_4 \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\beta}{}^\sigma{}_\rho \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\rho{}_\delta \mathcal{A}_\sigma \right. \\
& + B_5 \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\beta}{}^\rho{}_\rho \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\sigma{}_\delta \mathcal{A}_\sigma + C_1 \mathcal{R}_{\mu\alpha}{}^\mu{}_\nu \nabla_\beta \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\nu{}_\delta + C_2 \mathcal{R}_{\alpha\beta}{}^\rho{}_\rho \nabla_\sigma \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\sigma{}_\delta + D_1 \mathcal{B}_\nu{}^\mu{}_\lambda \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\nu{}_\alpha \nabla_\beta \mathcal{R}_\gamma{}^\lambda{}_\delta \\
& + D_2 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\mu{}_\beta \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\lambda{}_\nu \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\nu{}_\delta + D_3 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\mu{}_\nu \mathcal{B}_\beta{}^\lambda{}_\gamma \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\nu{}_\delta + D_4 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\lambda{}_\beta \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\sigma{}_\delta \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{A}_\sigma + D_5 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\lambda{}_\beta \mathcal{A}_\sigma \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\sigma{}_\delta \\
& + D_6 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\lambda{}_\beta \mathcal{A}_\gamma \nabla_\lambda \mathcal{A}_\delta + D_7 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\lambda{}_\beta \mathcal{A}_\lambda \nabla_\gamma \mathcal{A}_\delta + E_1 \nabla_\rho \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\rho{}_\beta \nabla_\sigma \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\sigma{}_\delta + E_2 \nabla_\rho \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\rho{}_\beta \nabla_\gamma \mathcal{A}_\delta \\
& \left. + F_1 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\mu{}_\beta \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\sigma{}_\delta \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\lambda{}_\rho \mathcal{B}_\sigma{}^\rho{}_\lambda + F_2 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\mu{}_\beta \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\nu{}_\lambda \mathcal{B}_\delta{}^\lambda{}_\rho \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\rho{}_\nu + F_3 \mathcal{B}_\nu{}^\mu{}_\lambda \mathcal{B}_\mu{}^\nu{}_\alpha \mathcal{B}_\beta{}^\lambda{}_\gamma \mathcal{A}_\delta + F_4 \mathcal{B}_\alpha{}^\mu{}_\beta \mathcal{B}_\gamma{}^\nu{}_\delta \mathcal{A}_\mu \mathcal{A}_\nu \right].
\end{aligned}$$

2.2 Cosmological ansatz

The cosmological ansatz for the symmetric part of the connection Γ is given by

$$\Gamma_t{}^t{}_t = f(t), \quad \Gamma_i{}^t{}_j = g(t) S_{ij} \quad (1)$$

$$\Gamma_t{}^i{}_j = h(t) \delta_j^i, \quad \Gamma_i{}^j{}_k = \gamma_i{}^j{}_k \quad (2)$$

The cosmological ansatz for the traceless torsion tensor \mathcal{B} is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{B}_\theta{}^r{}_\varphi &= \psi(t) r^2 \sin \theta \sqrt{1 - \kappa r^2} & \mathcal{B}_r{}^\theta{}_\varphi &= \frac{\psi(t) \sin \theta}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa r^2}} \\
\mathcal{B}_r{}^\varphi{}_\theta &= \frac{\psi(t)}{\sqrt{1 - \kappa r^2} \sin \theta}
\end{aligned}$$

The cosmological ansatz for the vectorial torsion tensor \mathcal{A} is given by

$$\mathcal{A}_t = \eta(t) \quad (3)$$

2.3 The field equations

3 Cosmological Solutions

4 Conclusions