

# Midterm homework problems

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## 1 Divergence and Laplacian

1. We have the definition of Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}_i}{\partial x^j} \cdot \mathbf{e}^k$$

Then we have that:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} = \partial_i (V^j \mathbf{e}_j)^i = \frac{\partial V^i}{\partial x^i} + \Gamma_{ij}^i V^j = V_{,i}^i + \frac{1}{2} g^{im} (g_{mi,j} + g_{mj,i} - g_{ij,m}) V^j = V_{,i}^i + \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} g_{\mu\nu,\gamma} V^\gamma$$

2. Since the determinant is not an invariant scalar the cofactor matrix does not transform as a tensor.

3. We have that:

$$g = \sum_{\nu} g_{\mu\nu} c^{\mu\nu} \text{ hence } \frac{\partial g}{\partial g_{\mu\nu}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial g_{\mu\nu}} \sum_{\nu'} g_{\mu\nu'} c^{\mu\nu'} = c^{\mu\nu}$$

4. Following the hint we have that:

$$\partial_\gamma g = \frac{\partial g}{\partial g_{\mu\nu}} \partial_\gamma g_{\mu\nu}$$

Now using the previous questions we can replace this by:

$$g g^{\mu\nu} g_{\mu\nu,\gamma}$$

Then up to refactorizing we obtain:

$$\frac{\partial_\gamma g}{g} = g^{\mu\nu} g_{\mu\nu,\gamma}$$

Which using the definition of the logarithm gives:

$$\partial_\gamma \log |g| = g^{\mu\nu} g_{\mu\nu,\gamma}$$

5. We start from the end and we differentiate to obtain:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_\gamma (\sqrt{|g|} V^\gamma) = V^\gamma_{,\gamma} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} V^\gamma \frac{1}{2\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_\gamma |g| = V^\mu_{,\mu} + \frac{1}{2} V^\gamma \frac{\partial_\gamma |g|}{|g|} = V^\mu_{,\mu} + \frac{1}{2} V^\gamma \log |g|$$

Now using question 4 we re-obtain the formula of question 1 and this concludes the proof.

6. Using the above formula by replacing:  $V_\gamma = f_{,\gamma}$  (hence  $V^\gamma = g^{\gamma\mu} f_{,\mu}$ ) we obtain:

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_\gamma (\sqrt{|g|} f^{,\gamma}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_\gamma (\sqrt{|g|} g^{\gamma\mu} f_{,\mu})$$

7. In spherical coordinates we have that:

$$[g_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

Then in order to apply the previous formula we need to compute  $g$  and  $[g^{\mu\nu}]$ . We have quite simply:

$$g = r^4 \sin^2 \theta \text{ and } g^{\mu\mu} = \frac{1}{g_{\mu\mu}} \text{ and } g^{\mu\nu} = 0 \text{ otherwise.}$$

Plugging this in the previous formula we obtain:

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \partial_\gamma (r^2 \sin \theta g^{\gamma\mu} f_{,\mu}) = \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left( \partial_r (r^2 \sin \theta f_{,r}) + \partial_\theta (\sin \theta f_{,\theta}) + \partial_\varphi \left( \frac{1}{\sin \theta} f_{,\varphi} \right) \right)$$

Now simplifying the derivatives gives:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla^2 f &= \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \left( \sin \theta \partial_r (r^2 f_{,r}) + \partial_\theta (\sin \theta f_{,\theta}) + \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \partial_\varphi f_{,\varphi} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_r (r^2 f_{,r}) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \partial_\theta (\sin \theta f_{,\theta}) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \partial_\varphi f_{,\varphi} \end{aligned}$$

8. Repeating an identical argument but using:

$$[g_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Gives us immediately that:

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{r} \partial_\gamma (r g^{\gamma\mu} f_{,\mu}) = r^{-1} (\partial_z (r f_{,z} + \partial_r (r f_{,r}) + \partial_\phi (r^{-1} f_{,\phi})) = f_{,zz} + r^{-1} f_{,r} + f_{,rr} + r^{-2} f_{,\phi\phi}$$

## 2 Rotating coordinate frame.

1. We have that:

$$t = t \quad \text{and} \quad z = z' \quad \text{and} \quad r = r' \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = \phi' - \Omega t$$

Hence we immediately get that:

$$dt = dt \quad \text{and} \quad dz = dz' \quad \text{and} \quad dr = dr' \quad \text{and} \quad d\phi = d\phi' - \Omega dt = d\phi' - \Omega dt$$

Where in the last equality we add the assumption that we place ourselves in a rotating frame at constant angular velocity. Now plugging this in the expression for a line element we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= -c^2 dt^2 + (dz')^2 + (dr')^2 + (r')^2 (d\phi')^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + dz^2 + dr^2 + r^2 (d\phi + \Omega dt)^2 \\ &= -c^2 dt^2 + dz^2 + dr^2 + r^2 d\phi^2 + r^2 \Omega^2 dt^2 + 2r^2 \Omega d\phi dt \\ &= (r^2 \Omega^2 - c^2) dt^2 + dz^2 + dr^2 + r^2 d\phi^2 + 2r^2 \Omega dt d\phi \end{aligned}$$

Hence we also get:

$$[g_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} (r^2 \Omega^2 - c^2) & 0 & 0 & r^2 \Omega \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ r^2 \Omega & 0 & 0 & r^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. The inverse can be immediately obtained through it's cofactor formulation and gives:

$$[g^{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{c^2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{\Omega}{c^2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{\Omega}{c^2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{c^2 - r^2 \Omega^2}{c^2 r^2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad g = -c^2 r^2$$

3. The line element is given by:

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2$$

Now as seen in exercise 1 we have that:

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + dz^2$$

Now we are making the change  $\theta' = \theta + \Omega t$  hence we obtain:

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \Omega^2 dt^2 + r^2 \Omega d\theta dt + dz^2$$

Now replacing back with:

$$dr = \frac{2dx + 2dy}{2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad d\theta = \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2}$$

We obtain:

$$ds^2 = -(c^2 - (x^2 + y^2)\Omega^2)dt^2 + \Omega(ydxdt - xdydt) + dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2$$

4. We have that:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 + h_{00} & h_{01} & h_{02} & h_{03} \\ h_{10} & 1 + h_{11} & h_{12} & h_{13} \\ h_{20} & h_{21} & 1 + h_{22} & h_{23} \\ h_{30} & h_{31} & h_{32} & 1 + h_{33} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -(1 - (x^2 + y^2)\Omega^2) & \Omega y & -\Omega x & 0 \\ \Omega y & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\Omega x & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence we get:

$$[h_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} (x^2 + y^2)\Omega^2 & \Omega y/2 & -\Omega x/2 & 0 \\ \Omega y/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\Omega x/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the Christoffel's symbols are given by:

$$[\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^x] = \begin{pmatrix} -\Omega^2 x & 0 & \Omega/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \Omega/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad [\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^y] = \begin{pmatrix} -\Omega^2 y & -\Omega/2 & 0 & 0 \\ -\Omega/2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

5. Then the equations of motions are given by the equation for a geodesic:

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} + \Gamma_{\nu\gamma}^\mu \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\gamma}{d\tau} = 0$$

Which when we plug in the values of the Christoffel's symbols we get:

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{x} = \Omega(\Omega x - \dot{y}) \\ \ddot{y} = \Omega(\Omega y + \dot{x}) \end{cases}$$

### 3 Frame dragging by a moving rod.

1. We have the equation:

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi(G_N/c^2)\rho\Theta(R - r)$$

From symmetry arguments we know already that  $\Phi$  will only be a function of  $r$ . Hence we have that by plugging the expression of the laplacian found in part 1 we obtain:

$$\Phi_{,zz} + \Phi_{,rr} + \Phi_{,r}/r + \Phi_{,\phi\phi}/r^2 = \Phi_{,rr} + \Phi_{,r}/r = 4\pi(G_N/c^2)\rho$$

This can be re-written as:

$$\partial_r(r\Phi_{,r}) = 4\pi(G_N/c^2)\rho r \Rightarrow r\Phi_{,r} = 4\pi(G_N/c^2)\rho r^2/2 + c$$

Which gives immediately through integration a solution of the form:

$$\Phi(r) = \pi(G_N/c^2)\rho r^2 + c \log(r) + c'$$

Now the condition  $\Phi_{,r}(0) = 0$  ensures that  $c = 0$  and the condition  $\Phi(R) = 0$  ensures that  $c' = -\pi(G_N/c^2)\rho R^2$  hence the final solution is given by:

$$\Phi(r) = \pi(G_N/c^2)\rho(r^2 - R^2)$$

2. We have that:

$$\overline{h_{\mu\nu}} = -4\Phi\delta_\mu^0\delta_\nu^0$$

Hence we get that:

$$h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}\eta_{\mu\nu}h = -4\Phi\delta_\mu^0\delta_\nu^0$$

Now we have that:

$$\eta_{\mu\nu}(\overline{h_{\mu\nu}}) = h - \frac{1}{2}Tr(\eta)h = h - 2h = -h$$

Which when plugged in the previous equation gives immediately that:

$$-h = 4\Phi \Leftrightarrow h = -4\Phi$$

Hence we obtain that:

$$h_{\mu\nu}(r) = -2\Phi\delta_{\mu\nu}$$

3. We have that:

$$ds^2 = (1 - 2\Phi)(dr^2 + r^2 d\phi^2)$$

Now we apply the following transformations:

$$r' = (1 + r\Phi_{,r})(1 - \Phi)r \quad \text{and} \quad \phi' = (1 - \Phi_{,r}/r)\phi$$

Now inserting the expression of  $\Phi$  that we found above we get that:

$$r' = r\left(\frac{1}{2} - \alpha/4\right)(2 - \alpha \log(r/R))$$

Then inserting the differentials and linearizing to first order gives the desired result.

4. (a) We have that:

$$[\Lambda^\mu_\nu] = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & 0 & 0 & \beta\gamma \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & \gamma \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Consider a particle at rest then we have that:

$$\mathbf{x} = (ct \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 0)^T$$

Applying the tensor above we get:

$$[\Lambda^\mu_\nu x^\nu] = \begin{pmatrix} ct\gamma \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \beta\gamma ct \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) We have that  $t_{\alpha\beta}x^\alpha x^\beta$  is a scalar hence it is invariant under a Lorentz transformation. Therefore we can write:

$$t_{\alpha\beta}x^\alpha x^\beta = t_{\alpha'\beta'}\Lambda_{\alpha'}^{\alpha'}x^\alpha \Lambda_{\beta'}^{\beta'}x^\beta$$

Hence we immediately get that:

$$t_{\alpha'\beta'} = (\Lambda^{-1})_{\alpha'}^{\alpha} (\Lambda^{-1})_{\beta'}^{\beta} t_{\alpha\beta}$$

Where the inverse can be easily found since  $L(\beta)^{-1} = L(-\beta)$ .

(d) Then the perturbation to the metric is expressed as :

$$[h_{\alpha'\beta'}] = 4\pi \frac{G_N}{c^2} \rho \log\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{c^2+v^2}{c^2-v^2} & 0 & 0 & -\frac{2cv}{c^2-v^2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{2cv}{c^2-v^2} & 0 & 0 & \frac{c^2+v^2}{c^2-v^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

5. A first order Taylor expansion in  $\beta$  quickly yields:

$$[h_{\alpha'\beta'}] = 4\pi \frac{G_N}{c^2} \rho \log\left(\frac{r}{R}\right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -2\beta \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -2\beta & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

6. (a) We use the geodesic equation:

$$-\frac{d^2 z}{d\tau^2} = \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^z \frac{dx^\mu}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau}$$

Then:

$$\Gamma_{\mu\lambda}^\nu = \frac{1}{2} \eta^{\nu\gamma} (\partial_\mu h_{\gamma\lambda} + \partial_\lambda h_{\gamma\mu} - \partial_\gamma h_{\lambda\mu})$$

We start by computing the Christoffel symbols:

$$\begin{aligned}
\Gamma_{00}^z &= \frac{1}{2}\eta^{z\gamma}(\partial_0 h_{\gamma 0} + \partial_0 h_{\gamma 0} - \partial_\gamma h_{00}) = \partial_0 h_{z0} - \frac{1}{2}\partial_z h_{00} = \partial_0 4\Phi(r)v/c + \partial_z \Phi(r) = 0 \\
\Gamma_{01}^z &= \frac{1}{2}\eta^{z\gamma}(\partial_0 h_{\gamma 1} + \partial_1 h_{\gamma 0} - \partial_\gamma h_{10}) = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_0 h_{z1} + \partial_1 h_{z0} - \partial_z h_{10}) = \frac{1}{2}(0 + \partial_x 4\Phi(r)v/c + 0) = 2v/c \partial_x \Phi(r) \\
\Gamma_{02}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_0 h_{z2} + \partial_2 h_{z0} - \partial_z h_{20}) = 2v/c \partial_y \Phi(r) \\
\Gamma_{03}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_0 h_{z3} + \partial_3 h_{z0} - \partial_z h_{30}) = \frac{1}{2}(-2\partial_z \Phi(r) - 4v/c \partial_z \Phi(r)) = -(1 - 2v/c)\partial_z \Phi(r) = 0 \\
\Gamma_{11}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_1 h_{z1} + \partial_1 h_{z1} - \partial_z h_{11}) = \partial_z \Phi(r) = 0 \\
\Gamma_{12}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_1 h_{z2} + \partial_2 h_{z1} - \partial_z h_{21}) = 0 \\
\Gamma_{13}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_1 h_{z3} + \partial_3 h_{z1} - \partial_z h_{31}) = -\partial_x \Phi(r) \\
\Gamma_{22}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_2 h_{z2} + \partial_2 h_{z2} - \partial_z h_{22}) = \partial_z \Phi(r) = 0 \\
\Gamma_{23}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_2 h_{z3} + \partial_3 h_{z2} - \partial_z h_{32}) = -\partial_y \Phi(r) \\
\Gamma_{33}^z &= \frac{1}{2}(\partial_3 h_{z3} + \partial_3 h_{z3} - \partial_z h_{33}) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Hence the geodesic equation becomes:

$$-\ddot{z} = \Gamma_{01}^z \frac{dt}{d\tau} \frac{dx}{d\tau} + \Gamma_{02}^z \frac{dt}{d\tau} \frac{dy}{d\tau} + \Gamma_{13}^z \frac{dx}{d\tau} \frac{dz}{d\tau} + \Gamma_{23}^z \frac{dy}{d\tau} \frac{dz}{d\tau}$$

Plugging in the values we get:

$$-\ddot{z} = 2v/c(\partial_x \Phi(r)\gamma\dot{x} + \partial_y \Phi(r)t\dot{y}) - \dot{z}(\dot{x}\partial_x \Phi(r) + \dot{y}\partial_y \Phi(r)) = (\dot{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \nabla \Phi)\left(\frac{2v}{c}\gamma - \dot{z}\right) = \dot{x}\partial_x \Phi\left(\frac{2v}{c}t - \dot{z}\right)$$

Where in the last equality we used the fact that  $\dot{y} = y = 0$  and  $\partial_z \Phi = 0$ . Now a similar derivation for  $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^t$  and  $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^x$  yields:

$$-\ddot{t} = \frac{2v}{c}\dot{z}\dot{x}\partial_x \Phi \quad \text{and} \quad -\ddot{x} = \partial_x \Phi(t^2 - \dot{x}^2 + \dot{z}^2)$$

Hence the final system of equation gives:

$$\begin{cases}
-\ddot{z} = \dot{x}\partial_x \Phi\left(\frac{2v}{c}t - \dot{z}\right) \\
-\ddot{t} = \frac{2v}{c}\dot{z}\dot{x}\partial_x \Phi \\
-\ddot{x} = \partial_x \Phi(t^2 - \dot{x}^2 + \dot{z}^2)
\end{cases}$$

Now we can also replace  $\partial_x \Phi$  by its value:  $\frac{2G_N \pi \rho}{c^2 x}$  (outside of the cylinder) which gives:

$$\begin{cases}
-\ddot{z} = \dot{x}\frac{2G_N \pi \rho}{c^2 x}\left(\frac{2v}{c}t - \dot{z}\right) \\
-\ddot{t} = \frac{2v}{c}\dot{z}\dot{x}\frac{2G_N \pi \rho}{c^2 x} \\
-\ddot{x} = \frac{2G_N \pi \rho}{c^2 x}(t^2 - \dot{x}^2 + \dot{z}^2)
\end{cases}$$

Which when solved numerically gives the figures plotted below.

## 4 Frame-dragging inside a rotating cylinder.

1. Consider  $V$  to be a cylinder of height  $H$  and radius  $r$  around the origin. Then from Gauss's law we have that:

$$2\pi r H \nabla \Phi(r) = \oint_{\partial V} \nabla \Phi d\mathbf{S} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \nabla \Phi dV = \int_V \frac{4\pi G_N}{c^2} \rho(\mathbf{x}) dV = \frac{4\pi G_N}{c^2} d\mu H$$

Hence up to re-writing we obtain:

$$\nabla \Phi(r) = \frac{2G_N}{rc^2} d\mu \hat{\mathbf{r}}$$

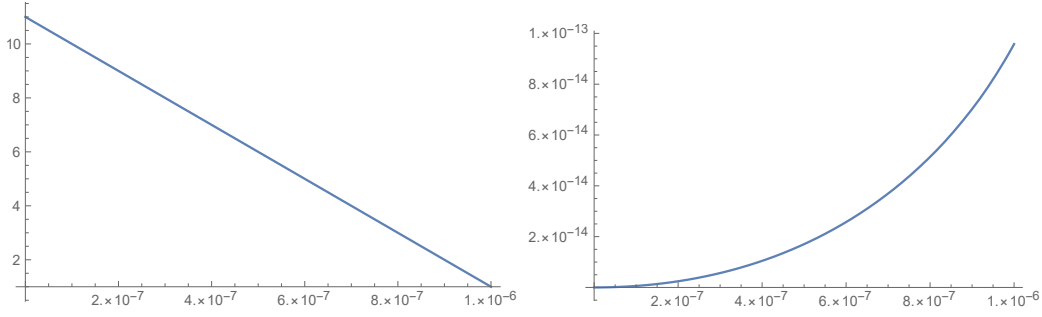


Figure 1: Plot of  $x(\tau)$  on the left and  $z(\tau)$  on the right.

2. Notice that we can re-write this as:

$$\nabla \cdot (\nabla \Phi_{\mu\nu}) = 4\pi\kappa T_{\mu\nu} \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{u} = f$$

Now the Green function for a needle pointing along the  $z$ -axis at position  $\mathbf{x}' = (x, y)$  is given by:

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}') \Rightarrow \mathbf{G}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^2}$$

Hence we have that the solution  $\mathbf{u} = \nabla \Phi_{\mu\nu}$  to the equation  $\mathbf{L} \cdot \mathbf{u} = f$  is given by:

$$\nabla \Phi_{\mu\nu} = \mathbf{u} = \int G(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') f(\mathbf{x}') d^2 \mathbf{x}' = \int \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^2} 2\kappa T_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x}') d^2 \mathbf{x}'$$

3. We have that (in cylindrical coordinates):

$$[T_{\mu\nu}] = \rho c^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \mathbf{v}/c \\ \mathbf{v}/c & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \rho c^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Omega R/c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \Omega R/c & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then to get it in cartesian coordinates we simply have to compute:

$$\begin{aligned} [T_{\mu\nu}] &= \rho(\mathbf{r}) c^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & -\sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \Omega R/c & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \Omega R/c & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \rho(\mathbf{r}) c \Omega R \begin{bmatrix} \frac{c}{R\Omega} & -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cos \theta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Now since we are dealing with a thin-walled cylinder we have that:

$$\rho(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\rho}{2\pi R} \delta(r - R)$$

Hence replacing up top we obtain:

$$[T_{\mu\nu}] = \frac{c\rho\Omega\delta(r - R)}{2\pi} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{c}{R\Omega} & -\sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cos \theta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then using the equation of the previous question we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla \Phi_{01}(\mathbf{0}) &= 2\kappa \int d^2 \mathbf{x}' T_{01}(\mathbf{x}') \frac{\mathbf{0} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{0} - \mathbf{x}'|^2} = -2\kappa \int d^2 \mathbf{x}' \frac{c\rho\Omega\delta(x' - R)}{2\pi} \sin \theta \frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|^2} \\ &= \frac{2\kappa c\rho\Omega}{2\pi R} \int_0^{2\pi} R \sin \theta d\theta = \frac{\kappa c\rho\Omega}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \theta \\ \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix} d\theta = \kappa c\rho\Omega \hat{\mathbf{y}} \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have that:

$$\nabla \Phi_{02}(\mathbf{0}) = 2\kappa \int d^2 \mathbf{x}' \frac{c\rho\Omega\delta(x' - R)}{2\pi} \cos \theta \frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}}}{|\mathbf{x}'|^2} = -\frac{\kappa c\rho\Omega}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \theta \\ \sin \theta \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} d\theta = -\kappa c\rho\Omega \hat{\mathbf{x}}$$

4. (a) We have that:

$$\Phi_{\mu\nu} = -\overline{h_{\mu\nu}}/4$$

From the previous question we also know that:

$$[\Phi_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x})] = \kappa c \rho \Omega \begin{bmatrix} 0 & y + \ell & -x + \ell' & 0 \\ y + \ell & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -x + \ell' & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then for  $[\Phi(\mathbf{0})] = \mathbf{0}$  we simply need to take  $\ell = \ell' = 0$ . Then we have that:

$$[\overline{h_{\mu\nu}}(\mathbf{x})] = 4\kappa c \rho \Omega \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -y & x & 0 \\ -y & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ x & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then since  $\overline{h_{\mu\nu}}$  is traceless we also have that  $[h_{\mu\nu}] = [\overline{h_{\mu\nu}}]$ .

- (b) We have the following expression for the Christoffel symbols, derived similarly as in the 3rd part:

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^t = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{02}^x = -4c\kappa\rho\Omega \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{01}^y = 4c\kappa\rho\Omega \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^z = 0$$

Where the unmentioned values of  $\Gamma^x$  and  $\Gamma^y$  are zero (apart from the symmetric values). This gives the following equations:

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{x} - 8c\kappa\rho\Omega\dot{y} = 0 \\ \ddot{y} + 8c\kappa\rho\Omega\dot{x} = 0 \end{cases}$$

Now for simplicity we call  $\alpha = 8c\kappa\rho\Omega$  then we have that the solutions are given by:

$$x(\tau) = \frac{v_y - v_y \cos(t\alpha) + v_x \sin(t\alpha)}{\alpha} \quad \text{and} \quad y(t) = \frac{v_x \cos(t\alpha) - v_x + v_y \sin(t\alpha)}{\alpha}$$

Where  $(v_x, v_y)$  are the initial velocities of the particle. We can see from the above equations that these are the parametric equations for a circle of center  $c = (\frac{v_y}{\alpha}, -\frac{v_x}{\alpha})$  and of radius:

$$r = \frac{\sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} \sin(4c\kappa\rho\Omega)}{8c\kappa\rho\Omega} = \frac{\sin(t\alpha/2)}{\alpha} \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$$

We hence will obtain a periodic opening and closing orbit around  $c$ .

- (c) Consider a second still object at an arbitrary position in space. Then if we change to a rotating frame the cylinder might have stopped spinning however the other object will have started spinning.