#### INTRODUCTION

At the moment, I have been able to implement 1 + 1 + 2 splitting by first decomposing in 3 + 1 and splitting the spatial part further in 2 + 1. Basically, I borrow all the rules of 3 + 1 decomposition.

#### I. BASIC TOOLS FOR 3+1 DECOMPOSITION

## A. Background Spacetime decomposition

In xPand, we decomposed the background manifold using the four vector  $\bar{\boldsymbol{u}}$  which is time-like vector and it is normalized as  $(\bar{u}^{\mu}\bar{u}_{\mu}=-1)$ . The metric on  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$  is decomposed as

$$\bar{g}_{\mu\nu} = \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} - \bar{u}_{\mu}\bar{u}_{\nu}$$
, with  $\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}\bar{u}^{\mu} = 0$  and  $\bar{h}^{\mu}_{\phantom{\mu}\rho}\bar{h}^{\rho}_{\phantom{\rho}\nu} = \bar{h}^{\mu}_{\phantom{\mu}\nu}$ , (1)

where  $\bar{h}$  represents the induced metric of the spatial hypersurface

The covariant derivative of  $n^{\mu}$  is also decomposed as

$$\nabla_{\mu} u_{\nu} = -\bar{a}_{\nu} \bar{u}_{\mu} + \bar{K}_{\mu\nu} \tag{2}$$

where

$$\bar{a}_{\mu} = \bar{u}^{\rho} \, \bar{\nabla}_{\rho} \bar{u}_{\mu} = \frac{\bar{D}_{\mu} \bar{\alpha}}{\bar{\alpha}} \,, \qquad \bar{K}_{\mu\nu} = \bar{h}^{\rho}_{\ \mu} \bar{h}^{\sigma}_{\ \nu} \bar{\nabla}_{\rho} \bar{u}_{\sigma} = \frac{1}{3} \bar{\Theta} h_{\mu\nu} + \bar{\sigma}_{\mu\nu} + \bar{\omega}_{\mu\nu} \,, \tag{3}$$

 $\alpha$  is the lapse function. Here the trace of the extrinsic curvature vanishes:  $\bar{K}^{\mu}_{\ \mu}=0$  because the volume expansion of the background space-time is contained in our conformal factor a. But for for the general Bianchi cosmologies, the trace-free part is given by  $\bar{K}_{\langle\mu\nu\rangle}=\bar{\sigma}_{\mu\nu}$ . this is also called the shear of the Eulerian observers. The antisymmetry part, i.e the vorticity is vanishing for an irrotional hypersurface  $\bar{\omega}_{\mu\nu}=\bar{h}^{\rho}_{\ \mu}\bar{h}^{\sigma}_{\ \nu}\bar{\nabla}_{[\rho}\bar{u}_{\sigma]}=0=\bar{K}_{[\mu\nu]}$ 

#### B. Decomposition of Tensor fields

For a rank-two covariant tensor T, we have for instance:

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \bar{u}_{\mu}\bar{u}_{\nu}\left(\bar{u}^{\rho}\bar{u}^{\sigma}T_{\rho\sigma}\right) + 2\bar{u}_{(\mu}\left(\bar{u}^{\rho}\bar{h}^{\sigma}_{\nu)}T_{\rho\sigma}\right) + \left(\bar{h}^{\rho}_{\mu}\bar{h}^{\sigma}_{\nu}T_{\rho\sigma}\right). \tag{4}$$

# C. Covariant Derivative Decomposition

For general spatial tensors (namely, for spatial tensors defined within  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$  or defined within  $\mathcal{M}$  then mapped onto  $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ ), the relation between the two derivatives reads:

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\rho} T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} = -\bar{u}_{\rho} \dot{T}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} + \bar{D}_{\rho} T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} + \sum_{i=1}^p \bar{u}_{\mu_i} \, \bar{K}^{\sigma}_{\rho} \, T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{i-1} \sigma \mu_{i+1} \dots \mu_p} \,. \tag{5}$$

The relation between  $\mathcal{L}_{\bar{u}}$  and  $\bar{u}^{\rho}\bar{\nabla}_{\rho}$  is written<sup>1</sup>:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{u}} T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} = \dot{T}_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} + \sum_{i=1}^p \bar{K}^{\sigma}_{\mu_i} T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_{i-1} \sigma \mu_{i+1} \dots \mu_p},$$
(6)

$$\bar{\nabla}_{\rho} T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{p}} = -\bar{u}_{\rho} \mathcal{L}_{\bar{u}} T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{p}} + \bar{D}_{\rho} T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{p}} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{p} \bar{u}_{(\mu_{i}} \bar{K}^{\sigma}_{\rho)} T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{i-1}\sigma\mu_{i+1}...\mu_{p}}.$$
 (7)

The commutation rule between the derivatives  $\mathcal{L}_{\bar{u}}$  and  $\bar{D}$  for general spatial tensors, it is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{\boldsymbol{u}}}\left(\bar{D}_{\rho}T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{p}}\right) = \bar{D}_{\rho}\left(\mathcal{L}_{\bar{\boldsymbol{u}}}T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{p}}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \left(\bar{h}^{\sigma\zeta}\bar{D}_{\zeta}\bar{K}_{\rho\mu_{i}} - \bar{D}_{\rho}\bar{K}_{\mu_{i}}{}^{\sigma} - \bar{D}_{\mu_{i}}\bar{K}_{\rho}{}^{\sigma}\right)T_{\mu_{1}...\mu_{i-1}\sigma\mu_{i+1}...\mu_{p}},\tag{8}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note that for a spatial tensor T, the quantity  $\mathcal{L}_{\bar{u}}T_{\mu_1...\mu_p}$  is also spatial.

## II. BASIC TOOLS FOR 2+1 DECOMPOSITION

#### A. My Notations

For a general spatial tensor  $T^{a\cdots}$ ...<sub>b</sub>, we can isolate the part lying in the screen space as

$$T_{\perp}{}^{a\cdots}{}_{\cdots b} = N^{a}{}_{c} \cdots N^{d}{}_{b} T^{c\cdots}{}_{\cdots d}, \tag{9}$$

and the part parallel to  $n^a$  as

$$T_{\parallel} = n_a \cdots n^b T^{a \cdots}_{\cdots b} \,. \tag{10}$$

We define the covariant angular derivative  $\nabla_{\perp a}$  on the screen space and the derivative  $\nabla_{\parallel}$  along the direction of observation:

$$\nabla_{\perp a} T^{b\cdots}_{\cdots c} = N^d_{\ a} N^b_{\ e} \cdots N^f_{\ c} \nabla_d T^{e\cdots}_{\cdots f}, \tag{11}$$

$$\nabla_{\parallel} T^{a\cdots} \dots_b = n^c \nabla_c T^{a\cdots} \dots_b \,. \tag{12}$$

## B. Decomposition of background Spacetime

In section I, we have shown how a 4-d background spacetime and tensor fields that live on them may be decomposed using 3+1 technique, now we are going to split further the spatial part (i.e the hyper-surface) of the 4-d spacetime using 1+2 decomposition technique.

First we need to define a space-like 3-vector,  $\bar{n}^{\mu}$ , which is normalized as  $\bar{n}^{\mu}\bar{n}_{\mu}=1$  and an induced metric  $N^{\mu,\nu}$  which lives on the 2-d sheet or the screen space.

$$\bar{h}^{\alpha\beta}\bar{n}_{\alpha}\bar{n}_{\beta} = 1$$
,  $\bar{N}_{\mu\nu} = \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} - \bar{n}_{\mu}\bar{n}_{\nu} = g_{\mu\nu} - \bar{u}_{\mu}\bar{u}_{\nu} + \bar{n}_{\mu}\bar{n}_{\nu}$ . (13)

Other properties of the projection tensor include

$$\bar{u}^{\alpha}\bar{N}_{\alpha\beta} = \bar{n}^{\alpha}\bar{N}_{\alpha\beta} = 0, \quad \bar{k}^{\alpha}\bar{N}_{\alpha\beta} = 0, \quad \bar{h}^{\alpha\beta}\bar{N}_{\alpha\beta} = g^{\alpha\beta}\bar{N}_{\alpha\beta} = 2, \quad \bar{N}_{\alpha\beta}\bar{N}^{\alpha\beta} = 2, \quad \bar{N}_{\alpha\gamma}\bar{N}^{\alpha\beta} = \bar{N}_{\beta\gamma}. \tag{14}$$

where  $k^{\alpha} = \bar{E}(\bar{u}^{\alpha} \pm \bar{n}^{\alpha})$  is the photon tangent vector. I have introduced it here because how to calculate it is central to what we plan to do.

Spatial covariant derivative of  $\bar{n}^{\alpha}$  may be irreducibly decomposed as

$$\bar{D}_{\mu}\bar{n}_{\nu} = \bar{n}_{\mu}\bar{\beta}_{\nu} + \bar{K}_{\perp\mu\nu} \tag{15}$$

where we have introduced an Extrinsic curvature (i.e  $\bar{K}_{\perp\mu\nu}$ ) of on the screen space and it is decomposed as follows  $\bar{K}_{\perp\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}\bar{K}_{\perp}N_{\mu\nu} + \xi\bar{\varepsilon}_{\mu\nu} + \zeta_{\mu\nu}$ . We have introduced the following notations

$$\bar{\beta}_{\alpha} \equiv \bar{n}^{\gamma} \bar{D}_{\gamma} \bar{n}_{\alpha} = \nabla_{\parallel} n_{a},$$
 Radial Acceleration (16)

$$\bar{K}_{\perp} \equiv \bar{D}_{\perp\alpha}\bar{n}^{\alpha}, \qquad \text{Trace of } \bar{K}^{\mu}_{\perp\mu}$$
 (17)

$$\bar{\xi} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \bar{\varepsilon}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{D}_{\perp\alpha} \bar{n}_{\beta},$$
 Twist, the anti-symmetry part (18)

$$\bar{\zeta}_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \bar{D}_{\perp\alpha}\bar{n}_{\beta}$$
. Shear, the symmetry part (19)

We also define the alternating Levi-Civita 2-tensor

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta} \equiv \bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} \bar{n}^{\gamma} = \bar{u}^{\lambda} \bar{\eta}_{\lambda\alpha\beta\gamma} \bar{n}^{\gamma}, \tag{20}$$

so that  $\bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta}\bar{n}^{\beta}=0=\bar{\varepsilon}_{(\alpha\beta)}$ , and

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta\gamma} = \bar{n}_{\alpha}\bar{\varepsilon}_{\beta\gamma} - \bar{n}_{\beta}\varepsilon_{\alpha\gamma} + \bar{n}_{\gamma}\varepsilon_{\alpha\beta},\tag{21}$$

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta}\bar{\varepsilon}^{\gamma\lambda} = \bar{N}_{\alpha}{}^{\gamma}\bar{N}_{\beta}{}^{\lambda} - \bar{N}_{\alpha}{}^{\lambda}\bar{N}_{\beta}{}^{\gamma},\tag{22}$$

$$\bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha}^{\ \gamma}\bar{\varepsilon}_{\beta\gamma} = \bar{N}_{\alpha\beta}, \quad \bar{\varepsilon}^{\alpha\beta}\bar{\varepsilon}_{\alpha\beta} = 2.$$
 (23)

### C. Decomposition of Tensor fields

The spatial part of the tensor field that have been split using 3+1 technique in section I may now be further split into the radial part and the angular part. For example for a 3-vector  $V^a$  can now be irreducibly split into a scalar,  $V_{\parallel}$ , which is the part of the vector parallel to  $\bar{n}^{\alpha}$ , and a vector,  $V_{\perp}^{\alpha}$ , lying in the sheet orthogonal to  $\bar{n}^{\alpha}$ ;

$$V^{\alpha} = V_{\parallel} \bar{n}^{\alpha} + V_{\perp}^{\alpha}$$
, where  $V_{\parallel} \equiv V_{\alpha} \bar{n}^{\alpha}$ , and  $V_{\perp}^{\alpha} \equiv \bar{N}^{\alpha\beta} V_{\beta}$ , (24)

A rank two tensor field may also be decomposed into radial and screen space components according to

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = T_{\langle\alpha\beta\rangle} = T_{\parallel} \left( \bar{n}_{\alpha} \bar{n}_{\beta} - \frac{1}{2} N_{\alpha\beta} \right) + 2T_{\perp_{\parallel}(\alpha} \bar{n}_{\beta)} + T_{\perp\langle\alpha\beta\rangle}, \tag{25}$$

where

$$T_{\parallel} \equiv \bar{n}^{\alpha} \bar{n}^{\beta} \psi_{\alpha\beta} = -\bar{N}^{\alpha\beta} T_{\alpha\beta},$$

$$T_{\perp \alpha} \equiv \bar{N}_{\alpha}^{\ \alpha} \bar{n}^{\gamma} T_{\beta\gamma}$$

$$T_{\perp \alpha\beta} \equiv T_{\langle \alpha\beta \rangle} \equiv \left( N_{(\alpha}^{\ \gamma} \bar{N}_{\beta)}^{\ \lambda} - \frac{1}{2} \bar{N}_{\alpha\beta} \bar{N}^{\gamma\lambda} \right) T_{\gamma\lambda}.$$
(26)

#### D. Decomposition of Covariant Derivatives

The decomposition of spatial covariant derivative follows similarly the covariant decomposition rules for the 4-d covariant derivatives, I will show starting a scalar:

$$\bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\alpha}\Psi = \nabla_{\parallel}\Psi\bar{n}_{a} + \nabla_{\perp a}\Psi\,,\tag{27}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{D}}_a \Psi_b = -\bar{n}_a \bar{n}_b \Psi_c \nabla_{\parallel} \bar{n}^c + \bar{n}_a \hat{\Psi}_{\bar{b}} - \bar{n}_b \left[ \frac{1}{2} \phi \Psi_a + \left[ \xi \varepsilon_{ac} + \zeta_{ac} \right] \Psi^c \right] + \nabla_{\perp a} \Psi_b , \qquad (28)$$

$$\bar{D}_{a}\Psi_{bc} = -2\bar{n}_{a}\bar{n}_{(b}\Psi_{c)d}\nabla_{\parallel}n^{d} + \bar{n}_{a}\hat{\Psi}_{bc} - 2\bar{n}_{(b}\left[\frac{1}{2}\phi\Psi_{c)a} + \Psi_{c)}^{d}\left[\xi\varepsilon_{ad} + \zeta_{ad}\right]\right] + \nabla_{\perp a}\Psi_{bc}.$$
(29)

The first term on the RHS is zero because  $\nabla_{\parallel}\bar{n}^c=0$  for the type of homogeneous cosmology we consider. So in general full decomposition of a spatial covariant derivative of tensor will look like this:

$$\bar{D}_{\rho} T_{\mu_{1} \dots \mu_{p}} = \bar{n}_{\rho} \nabla_{\parallel} T_{\perp \mu_{1} \dots \mu_{p}} + \sum_{i=1}^{p} \bar{n}_{\mu_{i}} \, \bar{K}_{\perp \rho}^{\sigma} T_{\perp \mu_{1} \dots \mu_{i-1} \sigma \mu_{i+1} \dots \mu_{p}} + \bar{\nabla}_{\perp \rho} T_{\perp \mu_{1} \dots \mu_{p}} \,. \tag{30}$$

If we use Lie derivative for the radial derivative, we will have to do the same thing we did for time

$$\mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} T_{\perp \mu_1 \dots \mu_p} = \nabla_{\parallel} T_{\mu_1 \dots \mu_p} + \sum_{i=1}^p \bar{K}_{\perp \mu_i}^{\sigma} T_{\perp \mu_1 \dots \mu_{i-1} \sigma \mu_{i+1} \dots \mu_p},$$
(31)

Finally the full decomposition will look like this.

$$\bar{\bar{D}}_{\rho} T_{\perp \mu_{1} \dots \mu_{p}} = -\bar{n}_{\rho} \mathcal{L}_{\bar{n}} T_{\mu_{1} \dots \mu_{p}} + \bar{\nabla}_{\perp \rho} T_{\mu_{1} \dots \mu_{p}} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{p} \bar{n}_{(\mu_{i}} \bar{K}^{\sigma}_{\rho)} T_{\perp \mu_{1} \dots \mu_{i-1} \sigma \mu_{i+1} \dots \mu_{p}}.$$
 (32)

## III. BY-PASSING XPAND TO DO THE DECOMPOSITION

#### A. Perturbations of the metric

The SVT decomposition of the metric perturbations yields the general expressions:

$$\bar{u}^{\rho}\bar{u}^{\sigma} {}^{\{n\}}h_{\rho\sigma} = -2 {}^{\{n\}}\phi, \qquad (33)$$

$$\bar{u}^{\rho}\bar{h}^{\sigma}_{\nu}{}^{\{n\}}h_{\rho\sigma} = -\bar{D}_{\nu}{}^{\{n\}}B - {}^{\{n\}}B_{\nu}, \qquad (34)$$

$$\bar{h}^{\rho}_{\ \mu}\bar{h}^{\sigma}_{\ \nu}^{\{n\}}h^{\rho}_{\rho\sigma} = 2\left(\bar{D}_{\mu}\bar{D}_{\nu}^{\{n\}}E + \bar{D}_{(\mu}^{\{n\}}E_{\nu)} + {}^{\{n\}}E_{\mu\nu} - {}^{\{n\}}\psi\,\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}\right). \tag{35}$$

Each of the spatial derivative above would be replaced with the following:

$$\bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\alpha}E = \bar{n}_{\alpha}\nabla_{\parallel}E + \nabla_{\perp\alpha}E\,,\tag{36}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\alpha} E_{\beta} = \bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\alpha} \left[ E_{\parallel} \bar{n}_{\beta} + E_{\perp \beta} \right] , \tag{37}$$

$$= \bar{n}_{\alpha}\bar{n}_{\beta}\nabla_{\parallel}E_{\parallel} + \bar{n}_{\beta}\nabla_{\perp\alpha}E_{\parallel} + \bar{n}_{\alpha}\nabla_{\parallel}E_{\perp\beta} + E_{\parallel}\bar{K}_{\perp\alpha\beta} + \bar{n}_{\beta}\bar{K}_{\perp\alpha}{}^{\gamma}E_{\perp\gamma} + \nabla_{\perp\alpha}E_{\perp\beta},$$
(38)

$$\bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\beta}\bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\alpha}\Psi = \bar{\mathbf{D}}_{\beta}\left[\nabla_{\parallel}\Psi\bar{n}_{\alpha} + \nabla_{\perp\alpha}\Psi\right] \tag{39}$$

$$= \bar{n}_{\alpha}\bar{n}_{\beta}\nabla_{\parallel}\nabla_{\parallel}\Phi + \bar{n}_{\alpha}\nabla_{\perp\beta}\nabla_{\parallel}\Psi + \bar{n}_{\beta}\nabla_{\parallel}\nabla_{\perp\alpha}\Psi + K_{\perp\beta\alpha}\nabla_{\parallel}\Psi + \bar{n}_{\alpha}K_{\perp\beta}{}^{\gamma}\nabla_{\perp\gamma}\psi + \nabla_{\perp\beta}\nabla_{\perp\alpha}\Psi. \tag{40}$$