

MIT GR Course Problem Set 2

Solutions and Explanations

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Problem1. Show that the number density of dust measured by an observer whose 4-velocity is \vec{U} is given by $n = -\vec{N} \cdot \vec{U}$, where \vec{N} is the matter current 4-velocity.

Solution. By definition we have the matter current 4-velocity $N^a = nU^a$, we have

$$\boxed{-N^a U_a = -nU^a U_a = n} \quad (1)$$

Problem2. Take the limit of continuity equation for $|\mathbf{v}| \ll 1$ to get $\partial n / \partial t + \partial(nv^i) / \partial x^i = 0$

Solution. For $|\mathbf{v}| \ll 1$, the Lorentz factor satisfies $\gamma \approx 1$. Therefore the 4-velocity can be expressed as $\vec{U} = (1, \mathbf{v})$.

According to the continuity equation $\partial_\alpha N^\alpha = 0$ and $N^\alpha = nU^\alpha$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\alpha (nU^\alpha) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \partial_t (nU^t) + \partial_i (nU^i) &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial n}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial(nv^i)}{\partial x^i} = 0} \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Problem3. In an inertial frame \mathcal{O} , calculate the components of the stress-energy tensors of the following systems:

(a) A group of particles all moving with the same 3-velocity $\mathbf{v} = \beta \vec{e}_x$ as seen in \mathcal{O} . Let the rest-mass density of these particles be ρ_0 , as measured in their own rest frame. Assume a sufficiently high density of particles to enable treating them as a continuum.

(b) A ring of N similar particles of rest mass m rotating counter-clockwise in the x-y plane about the origin of \mathcal{O} , at a radius a from this point, with an angular velocity ω . The ring is a torus of circular cross-section $\delta a \ll a$, within which the particles are uniformly distributed with a high enough density for the continuum approximation to apply. Do not include the stress-energy of whatever forces keep them in orbit. Part of this calculation will relate ρ_0 of part (a) to N , a , δa , and ω .

(c) Two such rings of particles, one rotating clockwise and the other counter-clockwise, at the same radius a . The particles do not collide or otherwise interact in any way.

Solution.

(a) First, in the rest frame of the group of these particles, the stress-energy tensor $T^{\mu\nu}$ assumes the simplified form $T^{\mu\nu} = \rho_0 U^\mu U^\nu$, or in matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \rho_0 & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & 0 & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Second, given these particles move in the same 3-velocity $\mathbf{v} = \beta \vec{e}_x$ as seen in \mathcal{O} , their 4-velocity in this frame becomes $\vec{U}' = (\gamma, \gamma\beta, 0, 0)$. Consequently,

the stress-energy tensor in frame \mathcal{O} assumes the form:

$$T'^{\mu\nu} = \rho_0 U'^{\mu} U'^{\nu} = \gamma^2 \rho_0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ \beta & \beta^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3)$$

(b) First, given the torus volume $V = 2\pi a \pi (\delta a)^2$, the rest-mass density ρ_0 is determined as:

$$\rho_0 = \frac{Nm}{2\pi^2 a (\delta a)^2} \quad (4)$$

Next, for particles undergoing counter-clockwise rotation with angular velocity ω , the corresponding 4-velocity components at the angle ϕ are derived via Cartesian coordinates:

$$\vec{U} = \gamma(1, -a\omega \sin(\phi), a\omega \cos(\phi), 0), \quad \gamma = (1 - a^2\omega^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad (5)$$

Finally, combining the system's symmetry and the stress-energy tensor definition $T^{\mu\nu} = \rho_0 U^{\mu} U^{\nu}$, angular averaging over ϕ yields:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle T^{00} \rangle &= \gamma^2 \rho_0 \\ \langle T^{11} \rangle &= \gamma^2 \rho_0 \cdot \frac{1}{2} a^2 \omega^2 \\ \langle T^{22} \rangle &= \gamma^2 \rho_0 \cdot \frac{1}{2} a^2 \omega^2 \\ \langle T^{12} \rangle &= \langle T^{21} \rangle = \langle \sin \phi \cos \phi \rangle = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Combining ??, ?? and ?? to get the final stress-energy tensor assuming the matrix representation:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \gamma^2 \rho_0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \frac{1}{2} a^2 \omega^2 & & \\ & & \frac{1}{2} a^2 \omega^2 & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (7)$$

(c) Since the two rings are counter-rotating and the constituent particles exhibit no interactions, the stress-energy tensor for each ring independently assumes the form specified in ???. The composite system's stress-energy tensor is therefore given by linear superposition:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = 2\gamma^2\rho_0 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & \frac{1}{2}a^2\omega^2 & & \\ & & \frac{1}{2}a^2\omega^2 & \\ & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (8)$$

Notes for Problem3.

In problem (a), the stress-energy tensor $T'^{\mu\nu}$ can be derived via an alternative approach distinct from ???:

$$T'^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\partial x'^\mu}{\partial x^\sigma} \frac{\partial x'^\nu}{\partial x^\rho} T^{\sigma\rho} = \frac{\partial x'^\mu}{\partial x^0} \frac{\partial x'^\nu}{\partial x^0} T^{00} \quad (9)$$

Evidently, the application of tensor transformation formula in ?? yields identical result.

Problem4. Use the identity $\partial_\nu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$ to prove the following results for a bounded system (i.e., a system for which $T^{\mu\nu} = 0$ beyond some bounded region of space):

(a) $\partial_t \int T^{0\alpha} d^3x = 0$. This expresses conservation of energy and momentum.

(b) $\partial_t^2 \int T^{00} x^i x^j d^3x = 2 \int T^{ij} d^3x$. This result is a version of the virial theorem; it will come in quite handy when we derive the quadrupole formula for gravitational radiation.

(c) $\partial_t^2 \int T^{00} (x^i x_i)^2 d^3x = 4 \int T_i^i x^j x_j d^3x + 8 \int T^{ij} x_i x_j d^3x$. No pithy wisdom for this one.

Solution. Utilizing the identity $\partial_\nu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$, we derive the following equations:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t T^{00} + \partial_k T^{0k} = 0, & \mu = 0 \\ \partial_t T^{0i} + \partial_k T^{ik} = 0, & \mu = i \end{cases} \quad (i, j, k = 1, 2, 3) \quad (10)$$

Later we will use ?? for multiple times, so it's best to put these relations before the steps of the solutions.

(a) For the $\mu = 0$ component in ??, integration to get

$$\partial_t \int T^{00} d^3x = - \int \partial_k T^{0k} d^3x \quad (11)$$

Applying Gauss's law we get $\int \partial_k T^{0k} d^3x = \oint T^{0k} dS_k$. Given that it is a bounded system, T^{0k} vanishes at spatial infinity, leading to:

$$\boxed{\partial_t \int T^{00} d^3x = 0 \quad (\text{Conservation of Energy})} \quad (12)$$

Similarly, for $\mu = i$ we have:

$$\boxed{\partial_t \int T^{0i} d^3x = 0 \quad (\text{Conservation of Momentum})} \quad (13)$$

This completes the proof of $\partial_t \int T^{0\alpha} d^3x = 0 \quad (\alpha = 0, 1, 2, 3)$.

(b) According to ?? we have:

$$\partial_t \int T^{00} x^i x^j d^3x = - \partial_k \int T^{0k} x^i x^j d^3x$$

Applying integration by parts yields:

$$\begin{aligned} - \int \partial_k T^{0k} x^i x^j d^3x &= \int T^{0k} \partial_k (x^i x^j) d^3x - 0 \\ &= \int T^{0k} (x^j \delta_k^i + x^i \delta_k^j) d^3x = \int (T^{0i} x^j + T^{0j} x^i) d^3x \end{aligned}$$

Subsequently taking the time derivative once and combining ?? when $\mu = i$ provides:

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t \int (T^{0i} x^j + T^{0j} x^i) d^3x &= \int (\partial_k T^{ik} x^j + \partial_k T^{jk} x^i) d^3x \\ &= \int (T^{ik} \delta_k^j + T^{jk} \delta_k^i) d^3x = 2 \int T^{ij} d^3x \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we prove the identity $\boxed{\partial_t^2 \int T^{00} x^i x^j d^3x = 2 \int T^{ij} d^3x}$.

(c) According to ?? we have:

$$\partial_t \int T^{00} (x^i x_i)^2 d^3x = -\partial_k \int T^{0k} (x^i x_i)^2 d^3x$$

Applying integration by parts yields:

$$\begin{aligned} -\partial_k \int T^{0k} (x^i x_i)^2 d^3x &= \int T^{0k} \partial_k (x^i x_i)^2 d^3x \\ &= \int T^{0k} \cdot 2(x^i x_i)(x^i \delta_{ik} + x_i \delta_K^i) d^3x = \int T^{0k} \cdot 2(x^i x_i) \cdot 2x_k d^3x \\ &= 4 \int T^{0k} (x^i x_i) x_k d^3x \end{aligned}$$

Subsequently taking the time derivative once and combining ?? when $\mu = i$ provides:

$$\begin{aligned} 4 \int \partial_t T^{0k} (x^i x_i) x_k d^3x &= -4 \int \partial_j T^{jk} x_k (x^i x_i) d^3x \\ &= 4 \int T^{jk} \partial_j [x_k (x^i x_i)] d^3x \\ &= 4 \int T^{jk} x^i x_i \delta_{jk} d^3x + 8 \int T^{jk} x_k x_j d^3x \\ &= 4 \int T_j^j x^i x_i d^3x + 8 \int T^{jk} x_j x_k d^3x \end{aligned}$$

Regroup the index to get the identity $\partial_t^2 \int T^{00} (x^i x_i)^2 d^3x = 4 \int T_i^i x^j x_j d^3x + 8 \int T^{ij} x_i x_j d^3x$.

Problem5.

The vector potential $\vec{A} \doteq (A^0, \mathbf{A})$ generates the electromagnetic field tensor via

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$$

(a) Show that the electric and magnetic fields in a special Lorentz frame

are given by

$$\mathbf{B} = \nabla \times \mathbf{A}$$

$$\mathbf{E} = -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} - \nabla A^0.$$

(b) Show that the Maxwell's equations hold if and only if

$$\partial_\mu \partial^\mu A^\alpha - \partial^\alpha \partial_\mu A^\mu = -4\pi J^\alpha$$

(c) Show that a gauge transformation of the form

$$A_\mu^{\text{new}} = A_\mu^{\text{old}} + \partial_\mu \phi$$

leaves the field tensor unchanged.

(d) Show that one can adjust the gauge so that

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$$

Show that Maxwell's equations take on a particularly simple form with this gauge choice. Use the operator $\square \equiv \partial_\mu \partial^\mu$ to simplify your result.

Solution. The components of electromagnetic field tensor in a particular reference frame assume the matrix form:

$$(F_{\mu\nu}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -E_1 & -E_2 & -E_3 \\ E_1 & 0 & B_3 & -B_2 \\ E_2 & -B_3 & 0 & B_1 \\ E_3 & B_2 & -B_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

(a) By utilizing the Levi-Civita symbol ϵ_{ijk} , the curl of the vector \mathbf{A} can be reformulated in the following tensorial notation:

$$\nabla \times \mathbf{A} = \epsilon^{ijk} \partial_i A_j$$

By definition, the electric and magnetic field vectors can be expressed by $F_{\mu\nu}$:

$$E_\mu = F_{\mu 0} \quad (15)$$

$$B_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{0\mu\nu\sigma} F^{\nu\sigma} \quad (16)$$

where $\mu, \nu, \sigma = 1, 2, 3$. Since $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$ and $F^{ij} = F_{ij}$, combining ?? and ?? yields:

$$E_\mu = \partial_\mu A_0 - \partial_0 A_\mu \quad (17)$$

$$B_\mu = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{0\mu\nu\sigma} (\partial_\nu A_\sigma - \partial_\sigma A_\nu) = \epsilon_{0\mu\nu\sigma} \partial_{[\nu} A_{\sigma]} = \epsilon_{0\mu\nu\sigma} \partial_\nu A_\sigma \quad (18)$$

Because of $A_0 = -A^0$, the electric and magnetic field vectors assume the more familiar form:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} E_\mu &= -\partial_\mu A^0 - \partial_0 A_\mu \doteq -\frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial t} - \nabla A^0 \\ B_\mu &= \epsilon_{0\mu\nu\sigma} \partial_\nu A_\sigma \doteq \nabla \times \mathbf{A} \end{aligned}} \quad (19)$$

(b) Starting from the 4-dimensional Maxwell's equations

$$\partial^\mu F_{\mu\nu} = -4\pi J_\nu$$

we raise indices via the Minkowski metric tensor $\eta^{\mu\nu}$ to obtain the contravariant form:

$$\partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = -4\pi J^\nu$$

Substituting the field tensor definition $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu$ yields:

$$\partial_\mu (\partial^\mu A^\nu - \partial^\nu A^\mu) = -4\pi J^\nu$$

Performing the index substitution $\nu \rightarrow \alpha$, we arrive at the final form:

$$\boxed{\partial_\mu \partial^\mu A^\alpha - \partial^\alpha \partial_\mu A^\mu = 4\pi J^\alpha} \quad (20)$$

(c) We can easily prove this gauge transformation formula by substitution:

$$\boxed{F_{\mu\nu}^{\text{new}} = \partial_\mu A_\nu^{\text{new}} - \partial_\nu A_\mu^{\text{new}}} = \partial_\mu (A_\nu^{\text{old}} + \partial_\nu \phi) - \partial_\nu (A_\mu^{\text{old}} + \partial_\mu \phi) \quad (21)$$

$$\partial_\mu A_\nu^{\text{old}} + \partial_\mu \partial_\nu \phi - \partial_\nu A_\mu^{\text{old}} + \partial_\nu \partial_\mu \phi = \boxed{\partial_\mu A_\nu^{\text{old}} - \partial_\nu A_\mu^{\text{old}} = F_{\mu\nu}^{\text{old}}}$$

(d) Under the gauge transformation $A^\mu = A'^\mu + \partial^\mu \phi$, the divergence of the 4-potential transforms as:

$$\partial_\mu A^\mu = \partial_\mu A'^\mu + \partial_\mu \partial^\mu \phi$$

Employing the Lorentz gauge condition $\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$, we obtain a wave equation for the gauge function ϕ :

$$\partial_\mu \partial^\mu \phi = -\partial_\mu A'^\mu$$

Provided A' satisfies the integrability condition $\partial_\nu (\partial_\mu A'^\mu) = \partial_\mu (\partial_\nu A'^\mu)$, there always exists a non-trivial solution ϕ for given initial and boundary conditions. This guarantees the existence of a gauge function ϕ that enforces $\partial_\mu A^\mu = 0$. Consequently, ?? simplifies to the form:

$$\boxed{\square A^\alpha = -4\pi J^\alpha \quad \text{with} \quad \square \equiv \partial_\mu \partial^\mu} \quad (22)$$

Problem6. An astronaut has acceleration g in the x direction (in other words, the magnitude of his 4-acceleration, $\sqrt{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}}$ is g). This astronaut assigns coordinates $(\bar{t}, \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ to spacetime as follows:

First, the astronaut defines spatial coordinates to be $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$, and sets the time coordinates \bar{t} to be his own proper time.

Second, at $\bar{t} = 0$, the astronaut assigns $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ to coincide with the Euclidean coordinates (x, y, z) of inertial reference frame that momentarily coincides with his motion. (In other words, though the astronaut is not inertial — he is accelerating — there is an inertial frame that, at $\bar{t} = 0$, is

momentarily at rest with respect to him. This is the frame used to assign $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ at $\bar{t} = 0$) Observers who remain at fixed values of the spatial coordinates $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ are called coordinate-stationary observers (CSOs). Note that proper time for these observers is not necessarily \bar{t} ! — we cannot assume that the CSOs' clocks remain synchronized with the clocks of the astronaut. Assume that some function A converts between coordinate time \bar{t} and proper time at the location of CSO:

$$A = \frac{d\bar{t}}{d\tau}$$

The function A is evaluated at a CSO's location and thus can in principle depend on all four coordinates $\bar{t}, \bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z}$.

Finally, the astronaut requires that the worldlines of CSOs must be orthogonal to the hypersurface $\bar{t} = \text{constant}$, and that for each \bar{t} there exists an inertial frame, momentarily at rest with respect to the astronaut, in which all events with $\bar{t} = \text{constant}$ are simultaneous.

It is easy to see that $\bar{y} = y$ and $\bar{z} = z$; henceforth we drop these coordinates from the problem.

(a) What is the 4-velocity of the astronaut, as a function of \bar{t} , in the initial inertial frame [the frame that uses coordinates (t, x, y, z)]? (Hint: by considering the conditions on $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}$, $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{a}$, and $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{a}$, you should be able to find simple forms for u^t and u^x .)

(b) Imagine that each coordinate-stationary observer carries a clock. What is the 4-velocity of each clock in the initial inertial frame?

(c) Explain why $A(\bar{x}, \bar{t})$ cannot depend on time. In other words, why can we put $A(\bar{x}, \bar{t}) = A(\bar{x})$? (Hint: consider the coordinate system that a different CSO may set up.)

(d) Find an explicit solution for the coordinate transformation $x(\bar{t}, \bar{x})$

and $t(\bar{t}, \bar{x})$.

(e) Show that the line element $ds^2 = -dt^2 + dx^2 = -(1 + g\bar{x})^2 d\bar{t}^2 + d\bar{x}^2$.

Solution. (a) Since the astronaut's 4-velocity possesses only a spatial component along x direction, we may model their motion in a 1+1-dimensional spacetime. Let the 4-velocity be $\vec{U} = (u_t, u_x)$. The normalization condition of 4-velocity gives:

$$U^\alpha U_\alpha = -u_t^2 + u_x^2 = -1 \quad (23)$$

Give the astronaut's 4-acceleration magnitude g , the 4-acceleration satisfies:

$$A^\alpha A_\alpha = -a_t^2 + a_x^2 = g^2 \quad (24)$$

Orthogonality between 4-velocity and 4-acceleration requires:

$$A^\alpha U_\alpha = -a_t u_t + a_x u_x = 0 \quad (25)$$

Boundary Condition:

- At $\bar{t} = 0$: $u_t = 0$, $u_x = 0$;
- For $\bar{t} > 0$: $u_x > 0$

Combining the Boundary Condition and ?? - ?? we get the solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{U} &= (\cosh(g\bar{t}), \sinh(g\bar{t})) \\ \vec{A} &= (g \sinh(g\bar{t}), g \cosh(g\bar{t})) \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

Problems (b)-(e) fundamentally constitute different facets of a unified physical scenario. The subsequent analysis will synthesize these components through an integrated treatment, deliberately omitting distinct problem identifiers to emphasize their intrinsic coherence.

First, let's explain the reason why $A(\bar{x}, \bar{t})$ cannot depend on time, as to say $A(\bar{x}, \bar{t}) = A(\bar{x})$.

1. **Coordinate Consistency:** If A depends on \bar{t} , coordinate-stationary observers (CSOs) at different times would establish divergent time synchronization standards, thereby precluding the construction of a globally consistent coordinate system.
2. **Symmetry Consideration:** While the astronaut's fixed acceleration direction preserves spatial translational symmetry, explicit time dependence in the metric components breaks this symmetry.
3. **Orthogonality Constraints:** The requirement that the CSOs' world-lines remain orthogonal to constant- \bar{t} hypersurfaces enforces A to depend exclusively on spatial coordinates.

Second, integrate ?? to get astronaut's equations of motion:

$$t = \frac{1}{g} \sinh(g\bar{t}) \quad (27)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{g} \cosh(g\bar{t}) - \frac{1}{g} \quad (28)$$

Assuming that CSOs' equations of motion are similar to ?? and ??, but are parameterized by \bar{x} in the following way:

$$t = T(\bar{x}) \sinh(g\bar{t}) \quad (29)$$

$$x = X(\bar{x}) \cosh(g\bar{t}) + Y(\bar{x}) \quad (30)$$

Obviously, CSOs' 4-velocity components assume the form:

$$\begin{aligned} u_t &= gAT \cosh(g\bar{t}) \\ u_x &= gAX \sinh(g\bar{t}) \end{aligned} \quad \text{with} \quad A = \frac{d\bar{t}}{d\tau} \quad (31)$$

According to ??, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} g^2 A^2 (T^2 \cosh^2(g\bar{t}) - X^2 \sinh^2(g\bar{t})) &= 1 \\ \Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} T = X \\ X = \frac{1}{gA} \end{array} \right. & \quad (32) \end{aligned}$$

The reason why ?? can be solved like this is that A , T , X are all independent to \bar{t} . Now, let's what will happen when we try to obtain the expression of the line element.

$$\begin{aligned}
-dt^2 + dx^2 &= -g^2 T^2 \cosh^2(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t}^2 - \left(\frac{dT}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{x}^2 \\
&\quad - 2gT \frac{dT}{d\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t} d\bar{x} + g^2 X^2 \sinh^2(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t}^2 \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{dX}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 \cosh^2(g\bar{t}) d\bar{x}^2 + \left(\frac{dY}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 d\bar{x}^2 + 2\frac{dX}{d\bar{x}} \frac{dY}{d\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{x}^2 \\
&= 2gX \frac{dX}{d\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t} d\bar{x} + 2gX \frac{dY}{d\bar{x}} \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t} d\bar{x} \\
&= -(g^2 T^2 \cosh^2(g\bar{t}) - g^2 X^2 \sinh^2(g\bar{t})) d\bar{t}^2 - \left(\frac{dT}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 \sinh^2(g\bar{t}) d\bar{x}^2 \\
&\quad + \left(\frac{dX}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 \cosh^2(g\bar{t}) d\bar{x}^2 + \left(\frac{dY}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 d\bar{x}^2 + 2\frac{dX}{d\bar{x}} \frac{dY}{d\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{x}^2 \\
&\quad + 2gX \frac{dX}{d\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t} d\bar{x} + 2gX \frac{dY}{d\bar{x}} \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t} d\bar{x} \\
&\quad - 2gT \frac{dT}{d\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) \sinh(g\bar{t}) d\bar{t} d\bar{x} \tag{33}
\end{aligned}$$

Combining ?? and according to the **Symmetry Consideration** part, the metric tensor exhibits no explicit dependence on the coordinate \bar{t} and contains no temporal-spatial cross terms, which means:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{X}{\cosh(g\bar{t})} \frac{dY}{d\bar{x}} = 0 \\ -dt^2 + dx^2 = -g^2 X^2 d\bar{t}^2 + \left(\frac{dX}{d\bar{x}}\right)^2 d\bar{x}^2 \end{cases} \tag{34}$$

It therefore follows that Y must be a constant. To determine its explicit form, considering the following boundary conditions:

- **Initial Inertial Frame Alignment:** At $\bar{t} = 0$, the CSOs' coordinates coincide with the initial inertial coordinate \bar{x} yielding:

$$X + Y = \bar{x} \tag{35}$$

- **Observer Self-Consistency Condition:** When $\bar{x} = 0$ (the astronaut serves as his own CSO), the coordinate must reduce to the astronaut's known equations of motion:

$$-Y \cosh(g\bar{t}) + Y = \frac{1}{g} \cosh(g\bar{t}) - \frac{1}{g} \quad (36)$$

Combining ?? and ?? to obtain:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} X &= \bar{x} + \frac{1}{g} \\ Y &= -\frac{1}{g} \end{aligned}} \quad (37)$$

By ?? we obtain:

$$\boxed{A = \frac{1}{1 + g\bar{x}}} \quad (38)$$

Now we can write the completed version of CSOs equations of motion:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} t &= \left(\bar{x} + \frac{1}{g} \right) \sinh(g\bar{t}) \\ x &= \left(\bar{x} + \frac{1}{g} \right) \cosh(g\bar{t}) - \frac{1}{g} \\ u_t &= g \left(\bar{x} + \frac{1}{g} \right) \frac{1}{1 + g\bar{x}} \cosh(g\bar{t}) = \cosh(g\bar{t}) \\ u_x &= g \left(\bar{x} + \frac{1}{g} \right) \frac{1}{1 + g\bar{x}} \sinh(g\bar{t}) = \sinh(g\bar{t}) \end{aligned}} \quad (39)$$

Henceforth, the line element assumes the simplified form:

$$\boxed{ds^2 = -dt^2 + dx^2 = -(1 + g^2\bar{x})^2 d\bar{t}^2 + d\bar{x}^2} \quad (40)$$

This spacetime is called the Rindler spacetime and the metric is called Rindler metric.