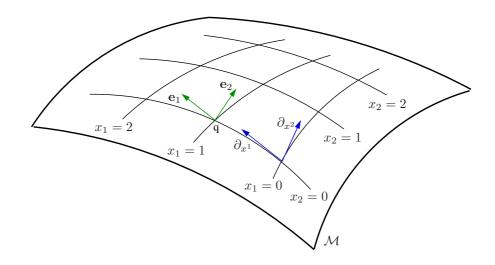
# Catalogue of Spacetimes



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## Chapter 1

## **Introduction and Notation**

The *Catalogue of Spacetimes* is a collection of four-dimensional Lorentzian spacetimes in the context of the General Theory of Relativity (GR). The aim of the catalogue is to give a quick reference for students who need some basic facts of the most well-known spacetimes in GR. For a detailed discussion of a metric, the reader is referred to the standard literature or the original articles. Important resources for exact solutions are the book by Stephani et al[SKM<sup>+</sup>03] and the book by Griffiths and Podolský[GP09].

Most of the metrics in this catalogue are implemented in the Motion4D-library[MG09] and can be visualized using the GeodesicViewer[MG10]. Except for the Minkowski and Schwarzschild spacetimes, the metrics are sorted by their names.

#### 1.1 Notation

The notation we use in this catalogue is as follows:

**Indices:** Coordinate indices are represented either by Greek letters or by coordinate names. Tetrad indices are indicated by Latin letters or coordinate names in brackets.

**Einstein sum convention:** When an index appears twice in a single term, once as lower index and once as upper index, we build the sum over all indices:

$$\zeta_{\mu}\zeta^{\mu} \equiv \sum_{\mu=0}^{3} \zeta_{\mu}\zeta^{\mu}. \tag{1.1.1}$$

**Vectors:** A coordinate vector in  $x^{\mu}$  direction is represented as  $\partial_{x^{\mu}} \equiv \partial_{\mu}$ . For arbitrary vectors, we use boldface symbols. Hence, a vector **a** in coordinate representation reads  $\mathbf{a} = a^{\mu} \partial_{\mu}$ .

**Derivatives:** Partial derivatives are indicated by a comma,  $\partial \psi / \partial x^{\mu} \equiv \partial_{\mu} \psi \equiv \psi_{,\mu}$ , whereas covariant derivatives are indicated by a semicolon,  $\nabla \psi = \psi_{,\mu}$ .

Symmetrization and Antisymmetrization brackets:

$$a_{(\mu}b_{\nu)} = \frac{1}{2} \left( a_{\mu}b_{\nu} + a_{\nu}b_{\mu} \right), \qquad a_{[\mu}b_{\nu]} = \frac{1}{2} \left( a_{\mu}b_{\nu} - a_{\nu}b_{\mu} \right)$$
(1.1.2)

## 1.2 General remarks

The Einstein field equation in the most general form reads[MTW73]

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \varkappa T_{\mu\nu} - \Lambda g_{\mu\nu}, \qquad \varkappa = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}, \tag{1.2.1}$$

with the symmetric and divergence-free Einstein tensor  $G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu}$ , the Ricci tensor  $R_{\mu\nu}$ , the Ricci scalar R, the metric tensor  $g_{\mu\nu}$ , the energy-momentum tensor  $T_{\mu\nu}$ , the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$ , Newton's gravitational constant G, and the speed of light c. Because the Einstein tensor is divergence-free, the conservation equation  $T^{\mu\nu}_{;\nu} = 0$  is automatically fulfilled.

A solution to the field equation is given by the line element

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu}dx^{\mu}dx^{\nu} \tag{1.2.2}$$

with the symmetric, covariant metric tensor  $g_{\mu\nu}$ . The contravariant metric tensor  $g^{\mu\nu}$  is related to the covariant tensor via  $g_{\mu\nu}g^{\nu\lambda} = \delta^{\lambda}_{\mu}$  with the Kronecker- $\delta$ . Even though  $g_{\mu\nu}$  is only a component of the metric tensor  $\mathbf{g} = g_{\mu\nu}dx^{\mu} \otimes dx^{\nu}$ , we will also call  $g_{\mu\nu}$  the metric tensor.

Note that, in this catalogue, we mostly use the convention that the signature of the metric is +2. In general, we will also keep the physical constants c and G within the metrics.

## 1.3 Basic objects of a metric

The basic objects of a metric are the Christoffel symbols, the Riemann and Ricci tensors as well as the Ricci and Kretschmann scalars which are defined as follows:

Christoffel symbols of the first kind:<sup>1</sup>

$$\Gamma_{\nu\lambda\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \left( g_{\mu\nu,\lambda} + g_{\mu\lambda,\nu} - g_{\nu\lambda,\mu} \right) \tag{1.3.1}$$

with the relation

$$g_{\nu\lambda,\mu} = \Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda} + \Gamma_{\mu\lambda\nu} \tag{1.3.2}$$

Christoffel symbols of the second kind:

$$\Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\lambda} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\rho} \left( g_{\rho\nu,\lambda} + g_{\rho\lambda,\nu} - g_{\nu\lambda,\rho} \right) \tag{1.3.3}$$

which are related to the Christoffel symbols of the first kind via

$$\Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\lambda} = g^{\mu\rho} \Gamma_{\nu\lambda\rho} \tag{1.3.4}$$

Riemann tensor:

$$R^{\mu}_{\ \nu\rho\sigma} = \Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\sigma,\rho} - \Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\rho,\sigma} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\lambda}\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\nu\sigma} - \Gamma^{\mu}_{\sigma\lambda}\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\nu\rho} \tag{1.3.5}$$

or

$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = g_{\mu\lambda}R^{\lambda}_{\nu\rho\sigma} = \Gamma_{\nu\sigma\mu,\rho} - \Gamma_{\nu\rho\mu,\sigma} + \Gamma^{\lambda}_{\nu\rho}\Gamma_{\mu\sigma\lambda} - \Gamma^{\lambda}_{\nu\sigma}\Gamma_{\mu\sigma\lambda} \tag{1.3.6}$$

with symmetries

$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = -R_{\mu\nu\sigma\rho}, \qquad R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = -R_{\nu\mu\rho\sigma}, \qquad R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = R_{\rho\sigma\mu\nu}$$
 (1.3.7)

and

$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} + R_{\mu\sigma\nu} + R_{\mu\sigma\nu\rho} = 0 \tag{1.3.8}$$

Ricci tensor:

$$R_{\mu\nu} = g^{\rho\sigma} R_{\rho\mu\sigma\nu} = R^{\rho}_{\ \mu\rho\nu} \tag{1.3.9}$$

Ricci and Kretschmann scalar:

$$\mathscr{R} = g^{\mu\nu}R_{\mu\nu} = R^{\mu}_{\ \mu}, \qquad \mathscr{K} = R_{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta}R^{\alpha\beta\gamma\delta} = R^{\gamma\delta}_{\ \alpha\beta}R^{\alpha\beta}_{\ \gamma\delta} \tag{1.3.10}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The notation of the Christoffel symbols of the first kind differs from the one used by Rindler[Rin01],  $\Gamma_{\mu\nu\lambda}^{Rindler} = \Gamma_{\nu\lambda\mu}^{CoS}$ 

Weyl tensor:

$$C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} - \frac{1}{2} \left( g_{\mu[\rho} R_{\sigma]\nu} - g_{\nu[\rho} R_{\sigma]\mu} \right) + \frac{1}{3} R g_{\mu[\rho} g_{\sigma]\nu}$$
 (1.3.11)

If we change the signature of a metric, these basic objects transform as follows:

$$\Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\lambda} \mapsto \Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\lambda}, \qquad R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \mapsto -R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}, \qquad C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \mapsto -C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}, 
R_{\mu\nu} \mapsto R_{\mu\nu}, \qquad \mathcal{R} \mapsto -\mathcal{R}, \qquad \mathcal{K} \mapsto \mathcal{K}.$$
(1.3.12a)

$$R_{\mu\nu} \mapsto R_{\mu\nu}, \qquad \qquad \mathcal{R} \mapsto -\mathcal{R}, \qquad \qquad \mathcal{K} \mapsto \mathcal{K}.$$
 (1.3.12b)

Covariant derivative

$$\nabla_{\lambda} g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu;\lambda} = 0. \tag{1.3.13}$$

**Covariant derivative** of the vector field  $\psi^{\mu}$ :

$$\nabla_{\nu}\psi^{\mu} = \psi^{\mu}_{;\nu} = \partial_{\nu}\psi^{\mu} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\lambda}\psi^{\lambda} \tag{1.3.14}$$

Covariant derivative of a r-s-tensor field:

$$\nabla_{c} T^{a_{1} \dots a_{r}}{}_{b_{1} \dots b_{s}} = \partial_{c} T^{a_{1} \dots a_{r}}{}_{b_{1} \dots b_{s}} + \Gamma^{a_{1}}_{dc} T^{d \dots a_{r}}{}_{b_{1} \dots b_{s}} + \dots + \Gamma^{a_{r}}_{dc} T^{a_{1} \dots a_{r-1} d}{}_{b_{1} \dots b_{s}} - \Gamma^{d}_{b_{1} c} T^{a_{1} \dots a_{r}}{}_{d \dots b_{s}} - \dots - \Gamma^{d}_{b_{s} c} T^{a_{1} \dots a_{r}}{}_{b_{1} \dots b_{s-1} d}$$

$$(1.3.15)$$

Killing equation:

$$\xi_{\mu;\nu} + \xi_{\nu;\mu} = 0. \tag{1.3.16}$$

#### 1.4 Natural local tetrad and initial conditions for geodesics

We will call a local tetrad natural if it is adapted to the symmetries or the coordinates of the spacetime. The four base vectors  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)} = e^{\mu}_{(i)} \partial_{\mu}$  are given with respect to coordinate directions  $\partial/\partial x^{\mu} = \partial_{\mu}$ , compare Nakahara[Nak90] or Chandrasekhar[Cha06] for an introduction to the tetrad formalism. The inverse or dual tetrad is given by  $\theta^{(i)} = \theta_{\mu}^{(i)} dx^{\mu}$  with

$$\theta_{\mu}^{(i)} e_{(j)}^{\mu} = \delta_{(j)}^{(i)} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_{\mu}^{(i)} e_{(i)}^{\nu} = \delta_{\mu}^{\nu}.$$
 (1.4.1)

Note that we us Latin indices in brackets for tetrads and Greek indices for coordinates.

#### **Orthonormality condition** 1.4.1

To be applicable as a local reference frame (Minkowski frame), a local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$  has to fulfill the orthonormality condition

$$\langle \mathbf{e}_{(i)}, \mathbf{e}_{(j)} \rangle_{\sigma} = \mathbf{g} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(i)}, \mathbf{e}_{(j)} \right) = g_{\mu\nu} e^{\mu}_{(i)} e^{\nu}_{(j)} \stackrel{!}{=} \eta_{(i)(j)},$$
 (1.4.2)

where  $\eta_{(i)(j)} = \text{diag}(\mp 1, \pm 1, \pm 1, \pm 1)$  depending on the signature  $\text{sign}(\mathbf{g}) = \pm 2$  of the metric. Thus, the line element of a metric can be written as

$$ds^{2} = \eta_{(i)(j)}\theta^{(i)}\theta^{(j)} = \eta_{(i)(j)}\theta_{\mu}^{(i)}\theta_{\nu}^{(j)}dx^{\mu}dx^{\nu}. \tag{1.4.3}$$

To obtain a local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$ , we could first determine the dual tetrad  $\theta^{(i)}$  via Eq. (1.4.3). If we combine all four dual tetrad vectors into one matrix  $\Theta$ , we only have to determine its inverse  $\Theta^{-1}$  to find the tetrad vectors,

$$\Theta = \begin{pmatrix}
\theta_0^{(0)} & \theta_1^{(0)} & \theta_2^{(0)} & \theta_3^{(0)} \\
\theta_0^{(1)} & \theta_1^{(1)} & \theta_2^{(1)} & \theta_3^{(1)} \\
\theta_0^{(2)} & \theta_1^{(2)} & \theta_2^{(2)} & \theta_3^{(2)} \\
\theta_0^{(3)} & \theta_1^{(3)} & \theta_2^{(3)} & \theta_3^{(3)}
\end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \Theta^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix}
e_{(0)}^0 & e_{(1)}^0 & e_{(2)}^0 & e_{(3)}^0 \\
e_{(0)}^1 & e_{(1)}^1 & e_{(2)}^1 & e_{(3)}^1 \\
e_{(0)}^2 & e_{(1)}^2 & e_{(2)}^2 & e_{(3)}^2 \\
e_{(0)}^3 & e_{(1)}^3 & e_{(2)}^3 & e_{(3)}^3
\end{pmatrix}.$$
(1.4.4)

There are also several useful relations:

$$e_{(a)\mu} = g_{\mu\nu}e_{(a)}^{\nu}, \qquad \eta_{(a)(b)} = e_{(a)}^{\mu}e_{(b)\mu}, \qquad e_{(b)\mu} = \eta_{(a)(b)}\theta_{\mu}^{(a)}, \qquad (1.4.5a)$$

$$\theta_{\mu}^{(b)} = \eta^{(a)(b)}e_{(a)\mu}, \qquad g_{\mu\nu} = e_{(a)\mu}\theta_{\nu}^{(a)}, \qquad \eta^{(a)(b)} = \theta_{\mu}^{(a)}\theta_{\nu}^{(b)}g^{\mu\nu}. \qquad (1.4.5b)$$

$$\theta_{\mu}^{(b)} = \eta^{(a)(b)} e_{(a)\mu}, \qquad g_{\mu\nu} = e_{(a)\mu} \theta_{\nu}^{(a)}, \quad \eta^{(a)(b)} = \theta_{\mu}^{(a)} \theta_{\nu}^{(b)} g^{\mu\nu}. \tag{1.4.5b}$$

#### 1.4.2 **Tetrad transformations**

Instead of the above found local tetrad that was directly constructed from the spacetime metric, we can also use any other local tetrad

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{(i)} = A_i^k \mathbf{e}_{(k)},\tag{1.4.6}$$

where **A** is an element of the Lorentz group O(1,3). Hence  $\mathbf{A}^T \eta \mathbf{A} = \eta$  and  $(\det \mathbf{A})^2 = 1$ . Lorentz-transformation in the direction  $n^a = (\sin \chi \cos \xi, \sin \chi \sin \xi, \cos \xi)^T = n_a$  with  $\gamma = 1/\sqrt{1-\beta^2}$ 

$$\Lambda_0^0 = \gamma, \qquad \Lambda_a^0 = -\beta \gamma n_a, \qquad \Lambda_0^a = -\beta \gamma n^a, \qquad \Lambda_b^a = (\gamma - 1) n^a n_b + \delta_b^a. \tag{1.4.7}$$

## 1.4.3 Ricci rotation-, connection-, and structure coefficients

The Ricci rotation coefficients  $\gamma_{(i)(j)(k)}$  with respect to the local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$  are defined by

$$\gamma_{(i)(j)(k)} := g_{\mu\lambda} e^{\mu}_{(i)} \nabla_{\mathbf{e}_{(k)}} e^{\lambda}_{(j)} = g_{\mu\lambda} e^{\mu}_{(i)} e^{\nu}_{(k)} \nabla_{\nu} e^{\lambda}_{(j)} = g_{\mu\lambda} e^{\mu}_{(i)} e^{\nu}_{(k)} \left( \partial_{\nu} e^{\lambda}_{(j)} + \Gamma^{\lambda}_{\nu\beta} e^{\beta}_{(j)} \right). \tag{1.4.8}$$

They are antisymmetric in the first two indices,  $\gamma_{(i)(j)(k)} = -\gamma_{(j)(i)(k)}$ , which follows from the definition, Eq. (1.4.8), and the relation

$$0 = \partial_{\mu} \eta_{(i)(j)} = \nabla_{\mu} \left( g_{\beta \nu} e^{\beta}_{(i)} e^{\nu}_{(j)} \right), \tag{1.4.9}$$

where  $\nabla_{\mu}g_{\beta\nu}=0$ , compare [Cha06]. Otherwise, we have

$$\gamma^{(i)}_{(j)(k)} = \theta_{\lambda}^{(i)} e_{(k)}^{\nu} \nabla_{\nu} e_{(j)}^{\lambda} = -e_{(j)}^{\lambda} e_{(k)}^{\nu} \nabla_{\nu} \theta_{\lambda}^{(i)}. \tag{1.4.10}$$

The contraction of the first and the last index is given by

$$\gamma_{(j)} = \gamma^{(k)}_{(j)(k)} = \eta^{(k)(i)} \gamma_{(i)(j)(k)} = -\gamma_{(0)(j)(0)} + \gamma_{(1)(j)(1)} + \gamma_{(2)(j)(2)} + \gamma_{(3)(j)(3)} = \nabla_{\nu} e^{\nu}_{(j)}. \tag{1.4.11}$$

The connection coefficients  $\omega_{(j)(n)}^{(m)}$  with respect to the local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$  are defined by

$$\omega_{(j)(n)}^{(m)} := \theta_{\mu}^{(m)} \nabla_{\mathbf{e}_{(j)}} e_{(n)}^{\mu} = \theta_{\mu}^{(m)} e_{(j)}^{\alpha} \nabla_{\alpha} e_{(n)}^{\mu} = \theta_{\mu}^{(m)} e_{(j)}^{\alpha} \left( \partial_{\alpha} e_{(n)}^{\mu} + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu} e_{(n)}^{\beta} \right), \tag{1.4.12}$$

compare Nakahara[Nak90]. They are related to the Ricci rotation coefficients via

$$\gamma_{(i)(j)(k)} = \eta_{(i)(m)} \omega_{(k)(j)}^{(m)}. \tag{1.4.13}$$

Furthermore, the local tetrad has a non-vanishing Lie-bracket  $[X,Y]^{\nu}=X^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}Y^{\nu}-Y^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}X^{\nu}$ . Thus,

$$\left[\mathbf{e}_{(i)}, \mathbf{e}_{(j)}\right] = c_{(i)(j)}^{(k)} \mathbf{e}_{(k)} \qquad \text{or} \qquad c_{(i)(j)}^{(k)} = \mathbf{\theta}^{(k)} \left[\mathbf{e}_{(i)}, \mathbf{e}_{(j)}\right]. \tag{1.4.14}$$

The structure coefficients  $c_{(i)(i)}^{(k)}$  are related to the connection coefficients or the Ricci rotation coefficients

$$c_{(i)(j)}^{(k)} = \omega_{(i)(j)}^{(k)} - \omega_{(i)(j)}^{(k)} = \eta^{(k)(m)} \left( \gamma_{(m)(j)(i)} - \gamma_{(m)(i)(j)} \right) = \gamma^{(k)}_{(i)(j)} - \gamma^{(k)}_{(i)(j)}. \tag{1.4.15}$$

## 1.4.4 Riemann-, Ricci-, and Weyl-tensor with respect to a local tetrad

The transformations between the coordinate representations of the Riemann-, Ricci-, and Weyl-tensors and their representation with respect to a local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$  are given by

$$R_{(a)(b)(c)(d)} = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} e^{\mu}_{(a)} e^{\nu}_{(b)} e^{\rho}_{(c)} e^{\sigma}_{(d)}, \tag{1.4.16a}$$

$$R_{(a)(b)} = R_{\mu\nu} e^{\mu}_{(a)} e^{\nu}_{(b)}, \tag{1.4.16b}$$

$$C_{(a)(b)(c)(d)} = C_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}e^{\mu}_{(a)}e^{\nu}_{(b)}e^{\rho}_{(c)}e^{\sigma}_{(d)}$$

$$= R_{(a)(b)(c)(d)} - \frac{1}{2} \left( \eta_{(a)[(c)} R_{(d)](b)} - \eta_{(b)[(c)} R_{(d)](a)} \right) + \frac{R}{3} \eta_{(a)[(c)} \eta_{(d)](b)}. \tag{1.4.16c}$$

## 1.4.5 Null or timelike directions

A null or timelike direction  $v = v^{(i)} \mathbf{e}_{(i)}$  with respect to a local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$  can be written as

$$\upsilon = \upsilon^{(0)} \mathbf{e}_{(0)} + \psi \left( \sin \chi \cos \xi \, \mathbf{e}_{(1)} + \sin \chi \sin \xi \, \mathbf{e}_{(2)} + \cos \chi \, \mathbf{e}_{(3)} \right) = \upsilon^{(0)} \mathbf{e}_{(0)} + \psi \mathbf{n}. \tag{1.4.17}$$

In the case of a null direction we have  $\psi = 1$  and  $v^{(0)} = \pm 1$ . A timelike direction can be identified with an initial four-velocity  $\mathbf{u} = c\gamma(\mathbf{e}_0 + \beta \mathbf{n})$ , where

$$\mathbf{u}^2 = \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{u} \rangle_{\mathbf{g}} = c^2 \gamma^2 \left\langle \mathbf{e}_{(0)} + \beta \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{e}_{(0)} + \beta \mathbf{n} \right\rangle = c^2 \gamma^2 \left( -1 + \beta^2 \right) = \mp c^2, \quad \text{sign}(\mathbf{g}) = \pm 2. \tag{1.4.18}$$

Thus,  $\psi = c\beta\gamma$  and  $v^0 = \pm c\gamma$ . The sign of  $v^{(0)}$  determines the time direction.

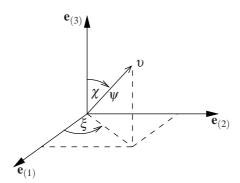


Figure 1.1: Null or timelike direction v with respect to the local tetrad  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}$ .

The transformations between a local direction  $v^{(i)}$  and its coordinate representation  $v^{\mu}$  read

$$v^{\mu} = v^{(i)} e^{\mu}_{(i)}$$
 and  $v^{(i)} = \theta^{(i)}_{\mu} v^{\mu}$ . (1.4.19)

### 1.4.6 Local tetrad for diagonal metrics

If a spacetime is represented by a diagonal metric

$$ds^{2} = g_{00}(dx^{0})^{2} + g_{11}(dx^{1})^{2} + g_{22}(dx^{2})^{2} + g_{33}(dx^{3})^{2},$$
(1.4.20)

the natural local tetrad reads

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{00}}} \partial_0, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{11}}} \partial_1, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{22}}} \partial_2, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{33}}} \partial_3, \tag{1.4.21}$$

given that the metric coefficients are well behaved. Analogously, the dual tetrad reads

$$\theta^{(0)} = \sqrt{g_{00}} dx^0, \quad \theta^{(1)} = \sqrt{g_{11}} dx^1, \quad \theta^{(2)} = \sqrt{g_{22}} dx^2, \quad \theta^{(3)} = \sqrt{g_{33}} dx^3. \tag{1.4.22}$$

## Local tetrad for stationary axisymmetric spacetimes

The line element of a stationary axisymmetric spacetime is given by

$$ds^2 = g_{tt}dt^2 + 2g_{t\phi}dt d\phi + g_{\phi\phi}d\phi^2 + g_{rr}dr^2 + g_{\vartheta\vartheta}d\vartheta^2, \tag{1.4.23}$$

where the metric components are functions of r and  $\vartheta$  only.

The local tetrad for an observer on a stationary circular orbit,  $(r = \text{const}, \vartheta = \text{const})$ , with four velocity  $\mathbf{u} = c\Gamma(\partial_t + \zeta \partial_{\varphi})$  can be defined as, compare Bini[BJ00],

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \Gamma\left(\partial_t + \zeta \partial_{\varphi}\right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{rr}}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{\vartheta\vartheta}}} \partial_{\vartheta}, \tag{1.4.24a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \Delta\Gamma \left[ \pm (g_{t\phi} + \zeta g_{\phi\phi}) \partial_t \mp (g_{tt} + \zeta g_{t\phi}) \partial_{\phi} \right], \tag{1.4.24b}$$

where

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-\left(g_{tt} + 2\zeta g_{t\varphi} + \zeta^2 g_{\varphi\varphi}\right)}} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{t\varphi}^2 - g_{tt} g_{\varphi\varphi}}}.$$
 (1.4.25)

The angular velocity  $\zeta$  is limited due to  $g_{tt} + 2\zeta g_{t\phi} + \zeta^2 g_{\phi\phi} < 0$ 

$$\zeta_{\min} = \omega - \sqrt{\omega^2 - \frac{g_{tt}}{g_{\varphi\varphi}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta_{\max} = \omega + \sqrt{\omega^2 - \frac{g_{tt}}{g_{\varphi\varphi}}}$$
(1.4.26)

For  $\zeta = 0$ , the observer is static with respect to spatial infinity. The locally non-rotating frame (LNRF) has angular velocity  $\zeta = \omega$ , see also MTŴ[MTW73], exercise 33.3. Static limit:  $\zeta_{\min} = 0 \implies g_{tt} = 0$ .

The transformation between the local direction  $v^{(i)}$  and the coordinate direction  $v^{\mu}$  reads

$$v^{0} = \Gamma\left(v^{(0)} \pm v^{(3)} \Delta w_{1}\right), \qquad v^{1} = \frac{v^{(1)}}{\sqrt{g_{rr}}}, \qquad v^{2} = \frac{v^{(2)}}{\sqrt{g_{\vartheta\vartheta}}}, \qquad v^{3} = \Gamma\left(v^{(0)} \zeta \mp v^{(3)} \Delta w_{2}\right), \quad (1.4.27)$$

with

$$w_1 = g_{t\theta} + \zeta g_{\theta\theta}$$
 and  $w_2 = g_{tt} + \zeta g_{t\theta}$ . (1.4.28)

The back transformation reads

$$\upsilon^{(0)} = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \frac{\upsilon^0 w_2 + \upsilon^3 w_1}{\zeta w_1 + w_2}, \qquad \upsilon^{(1)} = \sqrt{g_{rr}} \upsilon^1, \quad \upsilon^{(2)} = \sqrt{g_{\vartheta\vartheta}} \upsilon^2, \qquad \upsilon^{(3)} = \pm \frac{1}{\Delta \Gamma} \frac{\zeta \upsilon^0 - \upsilon^3}{\zeta w_1 + w_2}. \tag{1.4.29}$$

Note, to obtain a right-handed local tetrad,  $\det \left( e_{(i)}^{\mu} \right) > 0$ , the upper sign has to be used.

## Newman-Penrose tetrad and spin-coefficients

The Newman-Penrose tetrad consists of four null vectors  $\mathbf{e}_{(i)}^{\star} = \{\mathbf{l}, \mathbf{n}, \mathbf{m}, \mathbf{\bar{m}}\}$ , where  $\mathbf{l}$  and  $\mathbf{n}$  are real and  $\mathbf{m}$ and  $\bar{\mathbf{m}}$  are complex conjugates; see Penrose and Rindler[PR84] or Chandrasekhar[Cha06] for a thorough discussion. The Newman-Penrose (NP) tetrad has to fulfill the orthonormality relation

$$\left\langle \mathbf{e}_{(i)}^{\star}, \mathbf{e}_{(j)}^{\star} \right\rangle = \eta_{(i)(j)}^{\star} \quad \text{with} \quad \eta_{(i)(j)}^{\star} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 (1.5.1)

A straightforward relation between the NP tetrad and the natural local tetrad, as discussed in Sec. 1.4, is given by

$$\mathbf{l} = \mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(0)} + \mathbf{e}_{(1)} \right), \quad \mathbf{n} = \mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(0)} - \mathbf{e}_{(1)} \right), \quad \mathbf{m} = \mp \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(2)} + i \mathbf{e}_{(3)} \right), \tag{1.5.2}$$

where the upper/lower sign has to be used for metrics with positive/negative signature. The Ricci rotation-coefficients of a NP tetrad are now called *spin coefficients* and are designated by specific symbols:

$$\kappa = \gamma_{(2)(1)(1)}, \qquad \rho = \gamma_{(2)(0)(3)}, \qquad \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \left( \gamma_{(1)(0)(0)} + \gamma_{(2)(3)(0)} \right),$$
(1.5.3a)

$$\sigma = \gamma_{(2)(0)(2)}, \qquad \mu = \gamma_{(1)(3)(2)}, \qquad \gamma = \frac{1}{2} \left( \gamma_{(1)(0)(1)} + \gamma_{(2)(3)(1)} \right), \tag{1.5.3b}$$

$$\lambda = \gamma_{(1)(3)(3)}, \qquad \tau = \gamma_{(2)(0)(1)}, \qquad \alpha = \frac{1}{2} \left( \gamma_{(1)(0)(3)} + \gamma_{(2)(3)(3)} \right),$$
 (1.5.3c)

$$v = \gamma_{(1)(3)(1)}, \qquad \pi = \gamma_{(1)(3)(0)}, \qquad \beta = \frac{1}{2} \left( \gamma_{(1)(0)(2)} + \gamma_{(2)(3)(2)} \right).$$
 (1.5.3d)

## 1.6 Coordinate relations

## 1.6.1 Spherical and Cartesian coordinates

The well-known relation between the spherical coordinates  $(r, \vartheta, \varphi)$  and the Cartesian coordinates (x, y, z), compare Fig. 1.2, are

$$x = r\sin\vartheta\cos\varphi, \qquad y = r\sin\vartheta\sin\varphi, \qquad z = r\cos\vartheta,$$
 (1.6.1)

and

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}, \qquad \vartheta = \arctan 2(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, z), \qquad \varphi = \arctan 2(y, x),$$
 (1.6.2)

where  $\arctan 2()$  ensures that  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$  and  $\vartheta \in (0, \pi)$ .

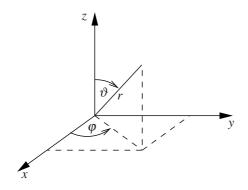


Figure 1.2: Relation between spherical and Cartesian coordinates.

The total differentials of the spherical coordinates read

$$dr = \frac{xdx + ydy + zdz}{r}, \qquad d\vartheta = \frac{xzdx + yzdy - (x^2 + y^2)dz}{r^2\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \qquad d\varphi = \frac{-ydx + xdy}{x^2 + y^2}, \tag{1.6.3}$$

whereas the coordinate derivatives read

$$\partial_r = \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} \partial_x + \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \partial_y + \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} \partial_z = \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi \, \partial_x + \sin \vartheta \sin \varphi \, \partial_y + \cos \vartheta \, \partial_z, \tag{1.6.4a}$$

$$\partial_{\vartheta} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \vartheta} \partial_x + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \vartheta} \partial_y + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \vartheta} \partial_z = r \cos \vartheta \cos \varphi \, \partial_x + r \cos \vartheta \sin \varphi \, \partial_y - r \sin \vartheta \, \partial_z, \tag{1.6.4b}$$

$$\partial_{\varphi} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \varphi} \partial_{x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \varphi} \partial_{y} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial \varphi} \partial_{z} = -r \sin \vartheta \sin \varphi \, \partial_{x} + r \sin \vartheta \cos \varphi \, \partial_{y}, \tag{1.6.4c}$$

and

$$\partial_{x} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}\partial_{r} + \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial x}\partial_{\vartheta} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x}\partial_{\varphi} = \sin\vartheta\cos\varphi\partial_{r} + \frac{\cos\vartheta\cos\varphi}{r}\partial_{\vartheta} - \frac{\sin\varphi}{r\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}, \tag{1.6.5a}$$

$$\partial_{y} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}\partial_{r} + \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial y}\partial_{\vartheta} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}\partial_{\varphi} = \sin\vartheta\sin\varphi\partial_{r} + \frac{\cos\vartheta\sin\varphi}{r}\partial_{\vartheta} + \frac{\cos\varphi}{r\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}, \tag{1.6.5b}$$

$$\partial_z = \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \partial_r + \frac{\partial \vartheta}{\partial z} \partial_\vartheta + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial z} \partial_\varphi = \cos\vartheta \, \partial_r - \frac{\sin\vartheta}{r} \, \partial_\vartheta. \tag{1.6.5c}$$

## 1.6.2 Cylindrical and Cartesian coordinates

The relation between cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \varphi, z)$  and Cartesian coordinates (x, y, z) is given by

$$x = r\cos\varphi$$
,  $y = r\sin\varphi$ , and  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $\varphi = \arctan 2(y, x)$ , (1.6.6)

where  $\arctan 2()$  again ensures that the angle  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ .

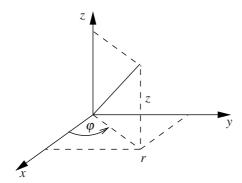


Figure 1.3: Relation between cylindrical and Cartesian coordinates.

The total differentials of the spherical coordinates are given by

$$dr = \frac{xdx + ydy}{r}, \qquad d\varphi = \frac{-ydx + xdy}{r^2},\tag{1.6.7}$$

and

$$dx = \cos \varphi \, dr - r \sin \varphi \, d\varphi, \qquad dy = \sin \varphi \, dr + r \cos \varphi \, d\varphi. \tag{1.6.8}$$

The coordinate derivatives are

$$\partial_r = \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} \partial_x + \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} \partial_y = \cos \varphi \, \partial_x + \sin \varphi \, \partial_y, \tag{1.6.9a}$$

$$\partial_{\varphi} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \varphi} \partial_{x} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial \varphi} \partial_{y} = -r \sin \varphi \, \partial_{x} + r \cos \varphi \, \partial_{y} m \tag{1.6.9b}$$

and

$$\partial_x = \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \partial_r + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \partial_{\varphi} = \cos \varphi \, \partial_r - \frac{\sin \varphi}{r} \, \partial_y, \tag{1.6.10a}$$

$$\partial_{y} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \partial_{r} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y} \partial_{\varphi} = \sin \varphi \, \partial_{r} + \frac{\cos \varphi}{r} \, \partial_{y}. \tag{1.6.10b}$$

## 1.7 Embedding diagram

A two-dimensional hypersurface with line segment

$$d\sigma^2 = g_{rr}(r)dr^2 + g_{\varphi\varphi}(r)d\varphi^2 \tag{1.7.1}$$

can be embedded in a three-dimensional Euclidean space with cylindrical coordinates,

$$d\sigma^2 = \left[1 + \left(\frac{dz}{d\rho}\right)^2\right] d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\varphi^2. \tag{1.7.2}$$

With  $\rho(r)^2 = g_{\varphi\varphi}(r)$  and  $dr = (dr/d\rho)d\rho$ , we obtain for the embedding function z = z(r),

$$\frac{dz}{dr} = \pm \sqrt{g_{rr} - \left(\frac{d\sqrt{g_{\varphi\varphi}}}{dr}\right)^2}.$$
(1.7.3)

If  $g_{\varphi\varphi}(r) = r^2$ , then  $d\sqrt{g_{\varphi\varphi}}/dr = 1$ .

## 1.8 Equations of motion and transport equations

## 1.8.1 Geodesic equation

The geodesic equation reads

$$\frac{D^2 x^{\mu}}{d\lambda^2} = \frac{d^2 x^{\mu}}{d\lambda^2} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\sigma} \frac{dx^{\rho}}{d\lambda} \frac{dx^{\sigma}}{d\lambda} = 0 \tag{1.8.1}$$

with the affine parameter  $\lambda$ . For timelike geodesics, however, we replace the affine parameter by the proper time  $\tau$ .

The geodesic equation (1.8.1) is a system of ordinary differential equations of second order. Hence, to solve these differential equations, we need an initial position  $x^{\mu}(\lambda = 0)$  as well as an initial direction  $(dx^{\mu}/d\lambda)(\lambda = 0)$ . This initial direction has to fulfill the constraint equation

$$g_{\mu\nu}\frac{dx^{\mu}}{d\lambda}\frac{dx^{\nu}}{d\lambda} = \kappa c^2, \tag{1.8.2}$$

where  $\kappa = 0$  for lightlike and  $\kappa = \mp 1$ , (sign(**g**) =  $\pm 2$ ), for timelike geodesics.

The initial direction can also be determined by means of a local reference frame, compare sec. 1.4.5, that automatically fulfills the constraint equation (1.8.2). If we use the natural local tetrad as local reference frame, we have

$$\frac{dx^{\mu}}{d\lambda}\Big|_{\lambda=0} = v^{\mu} = v^{(i)}e^{\mu}_{(i)}.$$
(1.8.3)

#### 1.8.2 Fermi-Walker transport

The Fermi-Walker transport, see e.g. Stephani[SS90], of a vector  $\mathbf{X} = X^{\mu} \partial_{\mu}$  along the worldline  $x^{\mu}(\tau)$  with four-velocity  $\mathbf{u} = u^{\mu}(\tau) \partial_{\mu}$  is given by  $\mathbb{F}_{\mathbf{u}} X^{\mu} = 0$  with

$$\mathbb{F}_{\mathbf{u}}X^{\mu} := \frac{dX^{\mu}}{d\tau} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\sigma}u^{\rho}X^{\sigma} + \frac{1}{c^2}\left(u^{\sigma}a^{\mu} - a^{\sigma}u^{\mu}\right)g_{\rho\sigma}X^{\rho}. \tag{1.8.4}$$

The four-acceleration follows from the four-velocity via

$$a^{\mu} = \frac{D^2 x^{\mu}}{d\tau^2} = \frac{D u^{\mu}}{d\tau} = \frac{d u^{\mu}}{d\tau} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\sigma} u^{\rho} u^{\sigma}. \tag{1.8.5}$$

#### 1.8.3 Parallel transport

If the four-acceleration vanishes, the Fermi-Walker transport simplifies to the parallel transport  $\mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{u}}X^{\mu}=0$  with

$$\mathbb{P}_{\mathbf{u}}X^{\mu} := \frac{DX^{\mu}}{d\tau} = \frac{dX^{\mu}}{d\tau} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\sigma}u^{\rho}X^{\sigma}. \tag{1.8.6}$$

## 1.8.4 Euler-Lagrange formalism

A detailed discussion of the Euler-Lagrange formalism can be found, e.g., in Rindler[Rin01]. The Lagrangian  $\mathcal L$  is defined as

$$\mathcal{L} := g_{\mu\nu}\dot{x}^{\mu}\dot{x}^{\nu}, \qquad \mathcal{L} \stackrel{!}{=} \kappa c^2, \tag{1.8.7}$$

where  $x^{\mu}$  are the coordinates of the metric, and the dot means differentiation with respect to the affine parameter  $\lambda$ . For timelike geodesics,  $\kappa = \mp 1$  depending on the signature of the metric, sign( $\mathbf{g}$ ) =  $\pm 2$ . For lightlike geodesics,  $\kappa = 0$ .

The Euler-Lagrange equations read

$$\frac{d}{d\lambda} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{x}^{\mu}} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x^{\mu}} = 0. \tag{1.8.8}$$

If  $\mathcal{L}$  is independent of  $x^{\rho}$ , then  $x^{\rho}$  is a cyclic variable and

$$p_{\rho} = g_{\rho\nu}\dot{x}^{\nu} = \text{const.} \tag{1.8.9}$$

Note that  $[\mathcal{L}]_U = \frac{\text{length}^2}{\text{time}^2}$  for timelike and  $[\mathcal{L}]_U = 1$  for lightlike geodesics, see Sec. 1.9.

#### 1.8.5 Hamilton formalism

The super-Hamiltonian  $\mathcal{H}$  is defined as

$$\mathscr{H} := \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} p_{\mu} p_{\nu}, \qquad \mathscr{H} \stackrel{!}{=} \frac{1}{2} \kappa c^2, \tag{1.8.10}$$

where  $p_{\mu} = g_{\mu\nu}\dot{x}^{\nu}$  are the canonical momenta, see e.g. MTW[MTW73], para. 21.1. As in classical mechanics, we have

$$\frac{dx^{\mu}}{d\lambda} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p_{\mu}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{dp_{\mu}}{d\lambda} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial x^{\mu}}.$$
(1.8.11)

## 1.9 Units

A first test in analyzing whether an equation is correct is to check the units. Newton's gravitational constant *G*, for example, has the following units

$$[G]_{U} = \frac{\text{length}^{3}}{\text{mass} \cdot \text{time}^{2}},\tag{1.9.1}$$

where  $[\cdot]_{U}$  indicates that we evaluate the units of the enclosed expression. Further examples are

$$[ds]_{U} = \text{length}, \qquad [\mathbf{u}]_{U} = \frac{\text{length}}{\text{time}}, \qquad [R_{trtr}^{\text{Schwarzschild}}]_{U} = \frac{1}{\text{time}^{2}}, \qquad [R_{\partial \varphi \partial \varphi}^{\text{Schwarzschild}}]_{U} = \text{length}^{2}.$$
 (1.9.2)

#### **1.10** Tools

## 1.10.1 Maple/GRTensorII

The Christoffel symbols, the Riemann- and Ricci-tensors as well as the Ricci and Kretschmann scalars in this catalogue were determined by means of the software Maple together with the GRTensorII package by Musgrave, Pollney, and Lake.<sup>2</sup>

A typical worksheet to enter a new metric may look like this:

 $<sup>^2</sup>$ The commercial software Maple can be found here: http://www.maplesoft.com. The GRTensorII-package is free: http://grtensor.phy.queensu.ca.

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```
> grtw();
> makeg(Schwarzschild);
Makeg 2.0: GRTensor metric/basis entry utility
To quit makeg, type 'exit' at any prompt.
Do you wish to enter a 1) metric [g(dn,dn)],
                       2) line element [ds],
                       3) non-holonomic basis [e(1)...e(n)], or
                       4) NP tetrad [1,n,m,mbar]?
> 2:
Enter coordinates as a LIST (eg. [t,r,theta,phi]):
> [t,r,theta,phi]:
Enter the line element using d[coord] to indicate differentials.
(for example, r^2*(d[theta]^2 + sin(theta)^2*d[phi]^2)
[Type 'exit' to quit makeg]
If there are any complex valued coordinates, constants or functions
for this spacetime, please enter them as a SET ( eg. { z, psi } ).
Complex quantities [default={}]:
> {}:
You may choose to 0) Use the metric WITHOUT saving it,
                 1) Save the metric as it is,
                  2) Correct an element of the metric,
                  3) Re-enter the metric,
                  4) Add/change constraint equations.
                  5) Add a text description, or
                  6) Abandon this metric and return to Maple.
> 0:
```

The worksheets for some of the metrics in this catalogue can be found on the authors homepage. To determine the objects that are defined with respect to a local tetrad, the metric must be given as non-holonomic basis.

The various basic objects can be determined via

```
\begin{array}{lll} \text{Christoffel symbols $\Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\rho}$} & \text{grcalc(Chr2);} & \text{grcalc(Chr(dn,dn,up));} \\ \text{partial derivatives $\Gamma^{\mu}_{\nu\rho,\sigma}$} & \text{grcalc(Chr(dn,dn,up,pdn));} \\ \text{Riemann tensor $R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}$} & \text{grcalc(Riemman);} & \text{grcalc(R(dn,dn,dn,dn,dn));} \\ \text{Ricci tensor $R_{\mu\nu}$} & \text{grcalc(Ricci);} & \text{grcalc(R(dn,dn));} \\ \text{Ricci scalar $\mathcal{R}$} & \text{grcalc(Riemsq);} \\ \text{Kretschmann scalar $\mathcal{K}$} & \text{grcalc(Riemsq);} \\ \end{array}
```

#### 1.10.2 Mathematica

The calculation of the Christoffel symbols, the Riemann- or Ricci-tensor within *Mathematica* could read like this:

```
Calculating the inverse metric:
   In[6]:= inversemetric := Simplify[Inverse[metric]]
   In[7]:= inversemetric // MatrixForm
Calculating the Christoffel symbols of the second kind:
   In[8]:= affine := affine = Simplify[
     Table[(1/2) Sum[inversemetric[[Mu, Rho]] (
         D[metric[[Rho, Nu]], coord[[Lambda]]] +
         D[metric[[Rho, Lambda]], coord[[Nu]]] -
        D[metric[[Nu, Lambda]], coord[[Rho]]]),
      {Rho, 1, n}], {Nu, 1, n}, {Lambda, 1, n}, {Mu, 1, n}]]
Displaying the Christoffel symbols of the second kind:
   In[9]:= listaffine :=
     Table[If[UnsameQ[affine[[Nu, Lambda, Mu]], 0],
        {Style[ Subsuperscript[\[CapitalGamma],
           Row[{coord[[Nu]], coord[[Lambda]]}], coord[[Mu]]], 18],
           "=",
           Style[affine[[Nu, Lambda, Mu]], 14]}],
        {Lambda, 1, n}, {Nu, 1, Lambda}, {Mu, 1, n}]
   In[10]:= TableForm[Partition[DeleteCases[Flatten[listaffine],
                                             Nulll, 31,
                      TableSpacing -> {1, 2}]
Defining the Riemann tensor:
   In[11]:= riemann := riemann =
   Table[D[affine[[Nu, Sigma, Mu]], coord[[Rho]]] -
         D[affine[[Nu, Rho, Mu]], coord[[Sigma]]] +
         Sum[affine[[Rho, Lambda, Mu]]
              affine[[Nu, Sigma, Lambda]] -
              affine[[Sigma, Lambda, Mu]]
              affine[[Nu, Rho, Lambda]],
            {Lambda, 1, n}],
    {Mu, 1, n}, {Nu, 1, n}, {Rho, 1, n}, {Sigma, 1, n}]
Defining the Riemann tensor with lower indices:
   In[12]:= riemannDn := riemannDn =
     Table[Simplify[
       Sum[metric[[Mu, Kappa]] riemann[[Kappa, Nu, Rho, Sigma]],
        {Kappa, 1, n}]],
     {Mu, 1, n}, {Nu, 1, n}, {Rho, 1, n}, {Sigma, 1, n}]
  In[13]:= listRiemann :=
    Table[If[UnsameQ[riemannDn[[Mu, Nu, Rho, Sigma]], 0],
    {Style[Subscript[R, Row[{coord[[Mu]], coord[[Nu]], coord[[Rho]],
     coord[[Sigma]]}]], 16], "=",
      riemannDn[[Mu, Nu, Rho, Sigma]]}],
    {Nu, 1, n}, {Mu, 1, Nu}, {Sigma, 1, n}, {Rho, 1, Sigma}]
  In[14]:= TableForm[Partition[DeleteCases[Flatten[listRiemann],
                                           Null], 3],
                    TableSpacing -> {2, 2}]
Defining the Ricci tensor:
 In[15]:= ricci := ricci =
   Table[Simplify[
    Sum[riemann[[Rho, Mu, Rho, Nu]], {Rho, 1, n}]],
    {Mu, 1, n}, {Nu, 1, n}]
 In[16]:= listRicci :=
   Table[If[UnsameQ[ricci[[Mu, Nu]], 0],
     {Style[Subscript[R, Row[{coord[[Mu]], coord[[Nu]]}]], 16],
     Style[ricci[[Mu, Nu]], 16]}], {Nu, 1, 4}, {Mu, 1, Nu}]
  In[17]:= TableForm[Partition[DeleteCases[Flatten[listRicci],
                                           Null], 3],
                     TableSpacing -> {1, 2}]
Defining the Ricci scalar:
  In[18]:= ricciscalar := ricciscalar =
   Simplify[Sum[
```

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Some example notebooks can be found on the authors homepage.

#### 1.10.3 Maxima

Instead of using commercial software like *Maple* or *Mathematica*, Maxima also offers a tensor package that helps to calculate the Christoffel symbols etc. The above example for the Schwarzschild metric can be written as a maxima worksheet as follows:

```
/* load ctensor package */
load(ctensor);
/* define coordinates to use */
ct_coords:[t,r,theta,phi];
/* start with the identity metric */
lg:ident(4);
lg[1,1]:c^2*(1-rs/r);
lg[2,2]:-1/(1-rs/r);
lg[3,3]:-r^2;
lg[4,4]:-r^2*sin(theta)^2;
cmetric();
/\star calculate the christoffel symbols of the second kind \star/
christof(mcs);
/\star calculate the riemann tensor \star/
lriemann(mcs);
/* calculate the ricci tensor */
ricci(mcs);
/\star calculate the ricci scalar \star/
/* calculate the Kretschmann scalar */
uriemann (mcs);
rinvariant();
```

As you may have noticed, the Schwarzschild metric must be given with negative signature.

## **Chapter 2**

# **Spacetimes**

## 2.1 Minkowski

## 2.1.1 Cartesian coordinates

The Minkowski metric in Cartesian coordinates  $\{t, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$  reads

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + dx^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2}.$$
 (2.1.1)

All Christoffel symbols as well as the Riemann- and Ricci-tensor vanish identically. The natural local tetrad is trivial,

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(x)} = \partial_x, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(y)} = \partial_y, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \partial_z,$$
 (2.1.2)

with dual

$$\theta^{(t)} = c dt, \qquad \theta^{(x)} = dx, \qquad \theta^{(y)} = dy, \qquad \theta^{(z)} = dz.$$
 (2.1.3)

## 2.1.2 Cylindrical coordinates

The Minkowski metric in cylindrical coordinates  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, \varphi \in [0, 2\pi), z \in \mathbb{R}\}$ ,

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + dr^{2} + r^{2}d\varphi^{2} + dz^{2},$$
(2.1.4)

has the natural local tetrad

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \partial_z.$$
 (2.1.5)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -r, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}. \tag{2.1.6}$$

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -1.$$
 (2.1.7)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r} \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_{(r)} = \frac{1}{r}.$$
(2.1.8)

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## 2.1.3 Spherical coordinates

In spherical coordinates  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, \vartheta \in (0,\pi), \varphi \in [0,2\pi)\}$ , the Minkowski metric reads

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + dr^{2} + r^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right).$$
 (2.1.9)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^r_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -r, \qquad \Gamma^r_{\varphi\varphi} = -r\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^\vartheta_{r\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r},$$
 (2.1.10a)

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta.$$
 (2.1.10b)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta,r}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi,r}^{\varphi} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta,r}^{r} = -1,$$
(2.1.11a)

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2\vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta),$$
 (2.1.11b)

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta}^r = -\sin(2\vartheta). \tag{2.1.11c}$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.1.12)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.1.13}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{2}{r}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r}.$$
 (2.1.14)

## 2.1.4 Conform-compactified coordinates

The Minkowski metric in conform-compactified coordinates  $\{\psi \in [-\pi, \pi], \xi \in (0, \pi), \vartheta \in (0, \pi), \varphi \in [0, 2\pi)\}$ reads[HE99]

$$ds^{2} = -d\psi^{2} + d\xi^{2} + \sin^{2}\xi \left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right). \tag{2.1.15}$$

This form follows from the spherical Minkowski metric (2.1.9) by means of the coordinate transforma-

$$ct + r = \tan\frac{\psi + \xi}{2}, \qquad ct - r = \tan\frac{\psi - \xi}{2}, \tag{2.1.16}$$

resulting in the metric

$$d\tilde{s}^{2} = \frac{-d\psi^{2} + d\xi^{2}}{4\cos^{2}\frac{\psi + \xi}{2}\cos^{2}\frac{\psi - \xi}{2}} + \frac{\sin^{2}\xi}{4\cos^{2}\frac{\psi + \xi}{2}\cos^{2}\frac{\psi - \xi}{2}} \left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right), \tag{2.1.17}$$

and by the conformal transformation  $ds^2 = \Omega^2 d\tilde{s}^2$  with  $\Omega^2 = 4\cos^2\frac{\psi + \xi}{2}\cos^2\frac{\psi - \xi}{2}$ .

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\xi\vartheta} = \cot\xi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\xi\varphi} = \cot\xi, \qquad \Gamma^{\xi}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\sin\xi\cos\xi, \qquad (2.1.18a)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\xi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\xi\cos\xi\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \qquad (2.1.18b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\xi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\xi\cos\xi\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
(2.1.18b)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\xi\vartheta,\xi} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \xi}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\xi\varphi,\xi} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \xi}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\xi}_{\vartheta\vartheta,\xi} = -\cos(2\xi), \qquad (2.1.19a)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2\vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{\xi}_{\varphi\varphi,\xi} = -\cos(2\xi)\sin^2\vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.1.19b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\xi}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{2}\sin(2\xi)\sin(2\vartheta). \tag{2.1.19c}$$

#### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{\xi \vartheta \xi \vartheta} = \sin^2 \xi, \qquad R_{\xi \varphi \xi \varphi} = \sin^2 \xi \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \sin^4 \xi \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.1.20)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{\xi\xi} = 2, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = 2\sin^2\xi, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = 2\sin^2\xi\sin^2\vartheta.$$
 (2.1.21)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalars:

$$\mathcal{R} = 6, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 12. \tag{2.1.22}$$

The Weyl tensor vanishs identically.

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\psi)} = \partial_{\psi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\xi)} = \partial_{\xi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\sin \xi} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{\sin \xi \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.1.23)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\vartheta)(\xi)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(\xi)(\varphi)} = \cot \xi, \qquad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{\sin \xi}. \tag{2.1.24}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(\xi)} = 2\cot\xi, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{\sin\xi}.$$
(2.1.25)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\xi)(\vartheta)(\xi)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\xi)(\varphi)(\xi)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = 1. \tag{2.1.26}$$

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\xi)(\xi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = 2. \tag{2.1.27}$$

## 2.1.5 Rotating coordinates

The transformation  $d\varphi \mapsto d\varphi + \omega dt$  brings the Minkowski metric (2.1.4) into the rotating form[Rin01] with coordinates  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, \varphi \in [0, 2\pi), z \in \mathbb{R}\}$ ,

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{\omega^{2}r^{2}}{c^{2}}\right)\left[c\,dt - \Omega(r)d\varphi\right]^{2} + dr^{2} + \frac{r^{2}}{1 - \omega^{2}r^{2}/c^{2}}d\varphi^{2} + dz^{2}$$
(2.1.28)

with  $\Omega(r) = (r^2 \omega/c)/(1 - \omega^2 r^2/c^2)$ .

**Metric-Tensor:** 

$$g_{tt} = -c^2 + \omega^2 r^2, \qquad g_{t\varphi} = \omega r^2, \qquad g_{rr} = g_{zz} = 1, \qquad g_{\varphi\varphi} = r^2.$$
 (2.1.29)

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#### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{tt}^r = -\omega^2 r, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{\varphi} = \frac{\omega}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\varphi}^r = -\omega r, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r = -r.$$
 (2.1.30)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{r}_{tt,r} = -\omega^{2}, \quad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{tr,r} = -\frac{\omega}{r^{2}}, \quad \Gamma^{r}_{t\varphi,r} = -\omega, \quad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi,r} = -\frac{1}{r^{2}}, \quad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -1.$$
 (2.1.31)

The local tetrad of the comoving observer is

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c} \partial_t - \frac{\omega}{c} \partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \partial_z, \tag{2.1.32}$$

whereas the static observer has the local tetrad

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - \omega^2 r^2/c^2}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \partial_z, \tag{2.1.33a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{\omega r}{c^2 \sqrt{1 - \omega^2 r^2 / c^2}} \partial_t + \frac{\sqrt{1 - \omega^2 r^2 / c^2}}{r} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.1.33b}$$

#### 2.1.6 Rindler coordinates

The worldline of an observer in the Minkowski spacetime who moves with constant proper acceleration  $\alpha$  along the x direction reads

$$x = \frac{c^2}{\alpha} \cosh \frac{\alpha t'}{c}, \qquad ct = \frac{c^2}{\alpha} \sinh \frac{\alpha t'}{c}, \tag{2.1.34}$$

where t' is the observer's proper time. The observer starts at x = 1 with zero velocity.

However, such an observer could also be described with Rindler coordinates. With the coordinate transformation

$$(ct,x) \mapsto (\tau,\rho):$$
  $ct = \frac{1}{\rho}\sinh \tau, \qquad x = \frac{1}{\rho}\cosh \tau,$  (2.1.35)

where  $\rho = \alpha/c^2$ , the Rindler metric reads

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{1}{\rho^{2}}d\tau^{2} + \frac{1}{\rho^{4}}d\rho^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2}.$$
 (2.1.36)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\tau\tau} = -\rho, \qquad \Gamma^{\tau}_{\tau\rho} = -\frac{1}{\rho}, \qquad \Gamma^{\rho}_{\rho\rho} = -\frac{2}{\rho}. \tag{2.1.37}$$

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\tau\tau,\rho} = -1, \qquad \Gamma^{\tau}_{\tau\rho,\rho} = \frac{1}{\rho^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\rho}_{\rho\rho,\rho} = \frac{2}{\rho^2}.$$
 (2.1.38)

The Riemann and Ricci tensors as well as the Ricci and Kretschmann scalar vanish identically.

#### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\tau)} = \rho \, \partial_{\tau}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\rho)} = \rho^2 \partial_{\rho}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(y)} = \partial_{y}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \partial_{z}.$$
 (2.1.39)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\tau)(\rho)(\tau)} = \rho, \quad \text{and} \quad \gamma_{(\rho)} = -\rho.$$
 (2.1.40)

#### 2.2 Schwarzschild spacetime

#### 2.2.1 Schwarzschild coordinates

In Schwarzschild coordinates  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, \vartheta \in (0,\pi), \varphi \in [0,2\pi)\}$ , the Schwarzschild metric reads

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} + \frac{1}{1 - r_{s}/r}dr^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.2.1)

where  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$  is the Schwarzschild radius, G is Newton's constant, c is the speed of light, and M is the mass of the black hole. The critical point r = 0 is a real curvature singularity while the event horizon,  $r = r_s$ , is only a coordinate singularity, see e.g. the Kretschmann scalar.

## Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{c^{2}r_{s}(r - r_{s})}{2r^{3}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{r_{s}}{2r(r - r_{s})}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{r_{s}}{2r(r - r_{s})},$$
 (2.2.2a)

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^{r} = -(r - r_s), \qquad (2.2.2b)$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^{\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = -(r - r_s)\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \qquad (2.2.2c)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -(r - r_{s})\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \tag{2.2.2c}$$

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma_{tt,r}^{r} = -\frac{(2r - 3r_s)c^2r_s}{2r^4}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr,r}^{t} = -\frac{(2r - r_s)r_s}{2r^2(r - r_s)^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr,r}^{r} = \frac{(2r - r_s)r_s}{2r^2(r - r_s)^2}, \qquad (2.2.3a)$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta,r} = -1,$$
(2.2.3b)

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -\sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.2.3c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta}^r = -(r - r_s)\sin(2\vartheta). \tag{2.2.3d}$$

#### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2 r_s}{r^3}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{c^2 (r - r_s) r_s}{r^2}, \qquad R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{c^2 (r - r_s) r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{r^2},$$
 (2.2.4a)

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s}{r - r_s}, \qquad R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{r - r_s}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = rr_s \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.2.4b}$$

As aspected, the Ricci tensor as well as the Ricci scalar vanish identically because the Schwarzschild spacetime is a vacuum solution of the field equations. Hence, the Weyl tensor is identical to the Riemann tensor. The Kretschmann scalar reads

$$\mathcal{K} = 12 \frac{r_s^2}{r^6}. (2.2.5)$$

Here, it becomes clear that at  $r = r_s$  there is no real singularity.

#### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.2.6}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = rd\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r\sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.2.7}$$

#### Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(t)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r}\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}, \quad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.2.8}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{4r - 3r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}.$$
(2.2.9)

Structure coefficients:

$$c_{(t)(r)}^{(t)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \qquad c_{(r)(\vartheta)}^{(\vartheta)} = c_{(r)(\varphi)}^{(\varphi)} = -\frac{1}{r}\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}, \qquad c_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)}^{(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.2.10}$$

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r^3},\tag{2.2.11a}$$

$$R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^3}.$$
(2.2.11b)

The covariant derivatives of the Riemann tensor read

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r);(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi);(r)} = \frac{3r_s}{r^5} \sqrt{r(r - r_s)},$$
(2.2.12a)

$$\begin{split} R_{(t)(r)(r)(\vartheta);(\vartheta)} &= R_{(t)(r)(t)(\varphi);(\varphi)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta);(r)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi);(r)} = \\ &= R_{(r)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi);(\vartheta)} = -\frac{3r_s}{2r^5} \sqrt{r(r-r_s)}, \end{split} \tag{2.2.12b}$$

$$R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta);(r)} = R_{(r)(\vartheta)(\vartheta)(\varphi);(\varphi)} = R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi);(r)} = \frac{3r_s}{2r^5} \sqrt{r(r - r_s)}.$$
 (2.2.12c)

Newman-Penrose tetrad:

$$\mathbf{l} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(t)} + \mathbf{e}_{(r)} \right), \qquad \mathbf{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(t)} - \mathbf{e}_{(r)} \right), \qquad \mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} + i\mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} \right). \tag{2.2.13}$$

Non-vanishing spin coefficients:

$$\rho = \mu = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}r}\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}, \quad \gamma = \varepsilon = \frac{r_s}{4\sqrt{2}r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \alpha = -\beta = -\frac{\cot\vartheta}{2\sqrt{2}r}.$$
 (2.2.14)

#### **Embedding:**

The embedding function reads

$$z = 2\sqrt{r_s}\sqrt{r - r_s}. ag{2.2.15}$$

## **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{k^2}{c^2}, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r}\right)\left(\frac{h^2}{r^2} - \kappa c^2\right)$$
(2.2.16)

with the constants of motion  $k = (1 - r_s/r)c^2t$ ,  $h = r^2\dot{\phi}$ , and  $\kappa$  as in Eq. (1.8.2). For timelike geodesics, the effective potential has the extremal points

$$r_{\pm} = \frac{h^2 \pm h\sqrt{h^2 - 3c^2r_s^2}}{c^2r_s},\tag{2.2.17}$$

where  $r_+$  is a maximum and  $r_-$  is a minimum. The innermost timelike circular geodesic follows from  $h^2 = 3c^2r_s^2$  and reads  $r_{\text{itcg}} = 3r_s$ . Null geodesics, however, have only a maximum at  $r_{\text{po}} = \frac{3}{2}r_s$ . The corresponding circular orbit is called photon orbit.

## Further reading:

Schwarzschild[Sch16, Sch03], MTW[MTW73], Rindler[Rin01], Wald[Wal84], Chandrasekhar[Cha06], Müller[Mül08b, Mül09].

#### Schwarzschild in pseudo-Cartesian coordinates 2.2.2

The Schwarzschild spacetime in pseudo-Cartesian coordinates (t, x, y, z) reads

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} + \left(\frac{x^{2}}{1 - r_{s}/r} + y^{2} + z^{2}\right)\frac{dx^{2}}{r^{2}} + \left(x^{2} + \frac{y^{2}}{1 - r_{s}/r} + z^{2}\right)\frac{dy^{2}}{r^{2}} + \left(x^{2} + y^{2} + \frac{z^{2}}{1 - r_{s}/r}\right)\frac{dz^{2}}{r^{2}} + \frac{2r_{s}}{r^{2}(r - r_{s})}\left(xy\,dx\,dy + xz\,dx\,dz + yz\,dy\,dz\right),$$

$$(2.2.18)$$

where  $r^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ . For a natural local tetrad that is adapted to the x-axis, we make the following

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_{\mathrm{s}}/r}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = A \partial_x, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = B \partial_x + C \partial_y, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = D \partial_x + E \partial_y + F \partial_z. \tag{2.2.19}$$

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g_{xx}}}, \qquad B = \frac{-g_{xy}}{g_{xx}\sqrt{-g_{xy}^2/g_{xx} + g_{yy}}}, \qquad C = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g_{xy}^2/g_{xx} + g_{yy}}}, \qquad (2.2.20a)$$

$$D = \frac{g_{xy}g_{yz} - g_{xz}g_{yy}}{\sqrt{NW}}, \qquad E = \frac{g_{xz}g_{xy} - g_{xx}g_{yz}}{\sqrt{NW}}, \qquad F = \frac{\sqrt{N}}{\sqrt{W}}, \tag{2.2.20b}$$

with

$$N = g_{xx}g_{yy} - g_{xy}^2, (2.2.21a)$$

$$W = g_{xx}g_{yy}g_{zz} - g_{xz}^2g_{yy} + 2g_{xz}g_{xy}g_{yz} - g_{xy}^2g_{zz} - g_{xx}g_{yz}^2.$$
(2.2.21b)

## 2.2.3 Isotropic coordinates

#### Spherical isotropic coordinates

The Schwarzschild metric (2.2.1) in spherical isotropic coordinates  $(t, \rho, \vartheta, \varphi)$  reads

$$ds^{2} = -\left(\frac{1 - \rho_{s}/\rho}{1 + \rho_{s}/\rho}\right)^{2} c^{2} dt^{2} + \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{s}}{\rho}\right)^{4} \left[d\rho^{2} + \rho^{2} \left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right)\right],$$
(2.2.22)

where

$$r = \rho \left(1 + \frac{\rho_s}{\rho}\right)^2$$
 or  $\rho = \frac{1}{4} \left(2r - r_s \pm 2\sqrt{r(r - r_s)}\right)$  (2.2.23)

is the coordinate transformation between the Schwarzschild radial coordinate r and the isotropic radial coordinate  $\rho$ , see e.g. MTW[MTW73] page 840. The event horizon is given by  $\rho_s = r_s/4$ . The photon orbit and the innermost timelike circular geodesic read

$$\rho_{\text{po}} = \left(2 + \sqrt{3}\right) \rho_s$$
 and  $\rho_{\text{itcg}} = \left(5 + 2\sqrt{6}\right) \rho_s$ . (2.2.24)

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{\rho} = \frac{2(\rho - \rho_s)\rho^4 \rho_s c^2}{(\rho + \rho_s)^7}, \quad \Gamma_{t\rho}^{t} = \frac{2\rho_s}{\rho^2 - \rho_s^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{\rho\rho}^{\rho} = -\frac{2\rho_s}{(\rho + \rho_s)\rho}, \qquad (2.2.25a)$$

$$\Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{\rho - \rho_s}{(\rho + \rho_s)\rho}, \qquad \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{\rho - \rho_s}{(\rho + \rho_s)\rho}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{\rho} = -\rho\frac{\rho - \rho_s}{\rho + \rho_s}, \qquad (2.2.25b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\rho\vartheta} = \frac{\rho - \rho_s}{(\rho + \rho_s)\rho}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\rho\varphi} = \frac{\rho - \rho_s}{(\rho + \rho_s)\rho}, \qquad \Gamma^{\rho}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\rho \frac{\rho - \rho_s}{\rho + \rho_s}, \tag{2.2.25b}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\rho}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{(\rho - \rho_s)\rho\sin^2\vartheta}{\rho + \rho_s}, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.2.25c)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{t\rho t\rho} = -4 \frac{(\rho - \rho_s)^2 \rho_s c^2}{(\rho + \rho_s)^4 \rho}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = 2 \frac{(\rho - \rho_s)^2 \rho \rho_s c^2}{(\rho + \rho_s)^4}, \qquad (2.2.26a)$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = 2 \frac{(\rho - \rho_s)^2 \rho c^2 \rho_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{(\rho + \rho_s)^4}, \qquad R_{\rho\vartheta\rho\vartheta} = -2 \frac{(\rho + \rho_s)^2 \rho_s}{\rho^3}, \qquad (2.2.26b)$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = 2\frac{(\rho - \rho_s)^2 \rho c^2 \rho_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{(\rho + \rho_s)^4}, \quad R_{\rho\vartheta\rho\vartheta} = -2\frac{(\rho + \rho_s)^2 \rho_s}{\rho^3}, \tag{2.2.26b}$$

$$R_{\rho\varphi\rho\varphi} = -2\frac{(\rho + \rho_s)^2 \rho_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{\rho^3}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{4(\rho + \rho_s)^2 \rho_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{\rho}. \tag{2.2.26c}$$

The Ricci tensor and the Ricci scalar vanish identically.

#### Kretschmann scalar:

$$\mathcal{K} = 192 \frac{r_s^2}{\rho^6 (1 + \rho_s/\rho)^{12}} = 12 \frac{r_s^2}{r(\rho)^6}.$$
 (2.2.27)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1 + \rho_s/\rho}{1 - \rho_s/\rho} \frac{\partial_t}{c}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{1}{[1 + \rho_s/\rho]^2} \partial_\rho,$$
 (2.2.28a)

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\rho \left[1 + \rho_s/\rho\right]^2} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{\rho \left[1 + \rho_s/\rho\right]^2 \sin^2 \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.2.28b}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\rho)(t)(t)} = \frac{2\rho_s \rho^2}{(\rho + \rho_s)^3 (\rho - \rho_s)}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(\rho)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(\rho)(\varphi)} = \frac{\rho(\rho - \rho_s)}{(\rho + \rho_s)^3}, \tag{2.2.29a}$$

$$\gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\rho \cot \vartheta}{(\rho + \rho_s)^2}.$$
 (2.2.29b)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(\rho)} = \frac{2\rho(\rho^2 - \rho\rho_s + \rho_s^2)}{(\rho + \rho_s)^3(\rho - \rho_s)}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\rho\cot\vartheta}{(\rho + \rho_s)^2}.$$
 (2.2.30)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\rho)(t)(\rho)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r(\varrho)^3},$$
(2.2.31a)

$$R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -R_{(\rho)(\vartheta)(\rho)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(\rho)(\varphi)(\rho)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r(\rho)^3}.$$
 (2.2.31b)

#### **Further reading:**

Buchdahl[Buc85].

## Cartesian isotropic coordinates

The Schwarzschild metric (2.2.1) in Cartesian isotropic coordinates (t, x, y, z) reads,

$$ds^{2} = -\left(\frac{1 - \rho_{s}/\rho}{1 + \rho_{s}/\rho}\right)^{2} c^{2} dt^{2} + \left(1 + \frac{\rho_{s}}{\rho}\right)^{4} \left[dx^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2}\right],$$
(2.2.32)

where  $\rho^2 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$  and, as before,

$$r = \rho \left( 1 + \frac{\rho_s}{\rho} \right)^2. \tag{2.2.33}$$

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{x} = \frac{2c^{2}\rho^{3}\rho_{s}(\rho - \rho_{s})x}{(\rho + \rho_{s})^{7}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tt}^{y} = \frac{2c^{2}\rho^{3}\rho_{s}(\rho - \rho_{s})y}{(\rho + \rho_{s})^{7}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tt}^{z} = \frac{2c^{2}\rho^{3}\rho_{s}(\rho - \rho_{s})z}{(\rho + \rho_{s})^{7}}, \qquad (2.2.34a)$$

$$\Gamma_{tx}^{t} = \frac{2\rho_{s}x}{\rho^{3} \left[1 - \rho_{s}^{2}/\rho^{2}\right]}, \qquad \Gamma_{ty}^{t} = \frac{2\rho_{s}y}{\rho^{3} \left[1 - \rho_{s}^{2}/\rho^{2}\right]}, \qquad \Gamma_{tz}^{t} = \frac{2\rho_{s}z}{\rho^{3} \left[1 - \rho_{s}^{2}/\rho^{2}\right]}, \tag{2.2.34b}$$

$$\Gamma_{xx}^{x} = \Gamma_{xy}^{y} = \Gamma_{xz}^{z} = -\Gamma_{yy}^{x} = -\Gamma_{zz}^{z} = -\frac{2\rho_{s}}{\rho^{3}} \frac{x}{1 + \rho_{s}/\rho},$$
(2.2.34c)

$$\Gamma_{xx}^{y} = -\Gamma_{xy}^{x} = -\Gamma_{yz}^{y} = -\Gamma_{yz}^{z} = \Gamma_{zz}^{y} = \frac{2\rho_{s}}{\rho^{3}} \frac{y}{1 + \rho_{s}/\rho},$$
(2.2.34d)

$$\Gamma_{xx}^{z} = -\Gamma_{xz}^{x} = \Gamma_{yy}^{z} = -\Gamma_{yz}^{y} = -\Gamma_{zz}^{z} = \frac{2\rho_{s}}{\rho^{3}} \frac{z}{1 + \rho_{s}/\rho}.$$
(2.2.34e)

## 2.2.4 Eddington-Finkelstein

The transformation of the Schwarzschild metric (2.2.1) from the usual Schwarzschild time coordinate t to the advanced null coordinate v with

$$cv = ct + r + r_s \ln(r - r_s)$$
 (2.2.35)

leads to the ingoing Eddington-Finkelstein[Edd24, Fin58] metric with coordinates  $(v, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$ ,

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)c^{2}dv^{2} + 2c\,dv\,dr + r^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right). \tag{2.2.36}$$

Metric-Tensor

$$g_{vv} = -c^2 \left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r}\right), \qquad g_{vr} = c, \qquad g_{\vartheta\vartheta} = r^2, \qquad g_{\varphi\varphi} = r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.2.37)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^{\nu}_{\nu\nu} = \frac{cr_s}{2r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\nu\nu} = \frac{c^2r_s(r-r_s)}{2r^3}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\nu r} = -\frac{cr_s}{2r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad (2.2.38a)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma^{\nu}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\frac{r}{c}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -(r - r_{s}), \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad (2.2.38b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\nu}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{r\sin^2\vartheta}{c}, \quad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -(r - r_s)\sin^2\vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \tag{2.2.38c}$$

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{\nu}_{\nu\nu,r} = -\frac{cr_s}{r^3}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\nu\nu,r} = -\frac{(2r - 3r_s)c^2r_s}{2r^4}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\nu r,r} = \frac{cr_s}{r^3},$$
 (2.2.39a)

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\nu}_{\vartheta\vartheta,r} = -\frac{1}{c}, \qquad (2.2.39b)$$

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta,r} = -1, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^{2}\vartheta}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\nu}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -\frac{\sin^{2}\vartheta}{c}, \qquad (2.2.39c)$$

$$\Gamma^{\nu}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{r\sin(2\vartheta)}{c}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.2.39d)$$

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -(r - r_s)\sin(2\vartheta). \tag{2.2.39e}$$

Riemann-Tensor:

$$R_{vrvr} = -\frac{c^2 r_s}{r^3}, \qquad R_{v\vartheta v\vartheta} = \frac{c^2 r_s (r - r_s)}{2r^2}, \qquad R_{v\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{c r_s}{2r}, \qquad (2.2.40a)$$

$$R_{\nu\varphi\nu\varphi} = \frac{c^2 r_s (r - r_s) \sin^2 \vartheta}{2r^2}, \qquad R_{\nu\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{c r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{2r}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = r r_s \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.2.40b}$$

While the Ricci tensor and the Ricci scalar vanish identically, the Kretschmann scalar is  $\mathcal{K} = 12r_s^2/r^6$ . Static local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(v)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}} \partial_v, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}} \partial_v + \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_\vartheta, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_\varphi. \tag{2.2.41}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(v)} = c\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}dv - \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = rd\vartheta, \quad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r\sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.2.42}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(v)(v)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r}\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}, \quad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.2.43}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{4r - 3r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}.$$
(2.2.44)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\nu)(r)(\nu)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r^3},\tag{2.2.45a}$$

$$R_{(v)(\vartheta)(v)(\vartheta)} = R_{(v)(\varphi)(v)(\varphi)} = -R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^3}.$$
 (2.2.45b)

#### 2.2.5 Kruskal-Szekeres

The Schwarzschild metric in Kruskal-Szekeres[Kru60, Wal84] coordinates  $(T, X, \vartheta, \varphi)$  reads

$$ds^{2} = \frac{4r_{s}^{3}}{r}e^{-r/r_{s}}\left(-dT^{2} + dX^{2}\right) + r^{2}d\Omega^{2},$$
(2.2.46)

where  $r \in \mathbb{R}_+ \setminus \{0\}$  is given by means of the LambertW-function  $\mathscr{W}$  ,

$$\left(\frac{r}{r_s} - 1\right)e^{r/r_s} = X^2 - T^2 \qquad \text{or} \qquad r = r_s \left[\mathcal{W}\left(\frac{X^2 - T^2}{e}\right) + 1\right]. \tag{2.2.47}$$

The Schwarzschild coordinate time t in terms of the Kruskal coordinates T and X reads

$$t = 2r_s \operatorname{arctanh} \frac{T}{X}, \qquad r > r_s, \tag{2.2.48a}$$

$$t = 2r_s \operatorname{arctanh} \frac{X}{T}, \qquad r < r_s, \tag{2.2.48b}$$

$$t = \infty, \qquad r = r_s.$$
 (2.2.48c)

The transformations between Kruskal- and Schwarzschild coordinates read

$$X = \sqrt{1 - \frac{r}{r_s}} e^{r/(2r_s)} \sinh \frac{ct}{2r_s}, \quad T = \sqrt{1 - \frac{r}{r_s}} e^{r/(2r_s)} \cosh \frac{ct}{2r_s}, \quad 0 < r < r_2,$$
 (2.2.49a)

$$X = \sqrt{\frac{r}{r_s} - 1} e^{r/(2r_s)} \cosh \frac{ct}{2r_s}, \quad T = \sqrt{\frac{r}{r_s} - 1} e^{r/(2r_s)} \sinh \frac{ct}{2r_s}, \qquad r \ge r_s.$$
 (2.2.49b)

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{TT}^{T} = \Gamma_{TX}^{X} = \Gamma_{XX}^{T} = \frac{Tr_{s}(r+r_{s})}{r^{2}}e^{-r/r_{s}},$$
(2.2.50a)

$$\Gamma_{TT}^{X} = \Gamma_{TX}^{T} = \Gamma_{XX}^{X} = -\frac{Xr_s(r+r_s)}{r^2}e^{-r/r_s},$$
(2.2.50b)

$$\Gamma_{T\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{2r_s^2 T}{r^2} e^{-r/r_s}, \qquad \Gamma_{X\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{2r_s^2 X}{r^2} e^{-r/r_s}, \qquad (2.2.50c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{T} = -\frac{r}{2r_{o}}T,$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{X} = \frac{r}{2r_{o}}X,$$
(2.2.50d)

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{T} = -\frac{r}{2r_{s}}T\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{X} = \frac{r}{2r_{s}}X\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad (2.2.50e)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \qquad (2.2.50f)$$

#### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{TXTX} = -16 \frac{r_s^7}{r^5} e^{-2r/r_s}, \qquad R_{T\vartheta T\vartheta} = \frac{2r_s^4}{r^2} e^{-r/r_s},$$
 (2.2.51a)

$$R_{T\phi T\phi} = \frac{2r_s^4}{r^2} e^{-r/r_s} \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad R_{X\vartheta X\vartheta} = -\frac{2r_s^4}{r^2} e^{-r/r_s},$$
 (2.2.51b)

$$R_{X\phi X\phi} = -\frac{2r_s^4}{r^2} e^{-r/r_s} \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad R_{\vartheta\phi\vartheta\phi} = rr_s \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.2.51c}$$

The Ricci-Tensor as well as the Ricci-scalar vanish identically.

#### Kretschmann scalar:

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{12r_s^2}{r^6}. (2.2.52)$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(T)} = \frac{\sqrt{r}}{2r_s\sqrt{r_s}}e^{r/(2r_s)}\partial_T, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(X)} = \frac{\sqrt{r}}{2r_s\sqrt{r_s}}e^{r/(2r_s)}\partial_X, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r}\partial_{\vartheta}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}$$
 (2.2.53)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(T)(X)(T)(X)} = R_{(X)(\vartheta)(X)(\vartheta)} = R_{(X)(\varphi)(X)(\varphi)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r_s^3},$$
(2.2.54a)

$$R_{(T)(\vartheta)(T)(\vartheta)} = R_{(T)(\varphi)(T)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^3}.$$
 (2.2.54b)

## 2.2.6 Tortoise coordinates

The Schwarzschild metric represented by tortoise coordinates  $(t, \rho, \vartheta, \varphi)$  reads

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r(\rho)}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} + \left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r(\rho)}\right)d\rho^{2} + r(\rho)^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.2.55)

where  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$  is the Schwarzschild radius, G is Newton's constant, c is the speed of light, and M is the mass of the black hole. The tortoise radial coordinate  $\rho$  and the Schwarzschild radial coordinate r are related by

$$\rho = r + r_s \ln \left( \frac{r}{r_s} - 1 \right) \qquad \text{or} \qquad r = r_s \left\{ 1 + \mathcal{W} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{\rho}{r_s} - 1 \right) \right] \right\}. \tag{2.2.56}$$

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{\rho} = \frac{c^2 r_s}{2r(\rho)^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\rho}^{t} = \frac{r_s}{2r(\rho)^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{\rho\rho}^{\rho} = \frac{r_s}{2r(\rho)^2},$$
 (2.2.57a)

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\rho\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r(\rho)} - \frac{1}{r_s}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\rho\varphi} = \frac{1}{r(\rho)} - \frac{1}{r_s}, \qquad \Gamma^{\rho}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -r(\rho), \tag{2.2.57b}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -r(\rho)\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.2.57c)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{t\rho t\rho} = -\frac{c^2 r_s}{r(\rho)^3} \left( 1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)} \right)^2, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{c^2}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)} \right) \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)}, \tag{2.2.58a}$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{c^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)} \right) \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)}, \qquad R_{\rho\vartheta\rho\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)} \right) \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)}$$
(2.2.58b)

$$R_{\rho\varphi\rho\varphi} = -\frac{\sin^2\vartheta}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)} \right) \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = r(\rho) r_s \sin^2\vartheta. \tag{2.2.58c}$$

The Ricci tensor as well as the Ricci scalar vanish identically because the Schwarzschild spacetime is a vacuum solution of the field equations. Hence, the Weyl tensor is identical to the Riemann tensor. The Kretschmann scalar reads

$$\mathcal{K} = 12 \frac{r_s^2}{r(\rho)^6}.$$
 (2.2.59)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s/r(\rho)}} \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\rho)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - r_s/r(\rho)}} \partial_\rho, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r(\rho)} \partial_\vartheta, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r(\rho)\sin\vartheta} \partial_\varphi. \tag{2.2.60}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)}} dt, \quad \theta^{(\rho)} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r(\rho)}} d\rho, \quad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = r(\rho) d\vartheta, \quad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r(\rho) \sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.2.61}$$

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\rho)(t)(\rho)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r(\rho)^3},$$
(2.2.62a)

$$R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -R_{(\rho)(\vartheta)(\rho)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(\rho)(\varphi)(\rho)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r(\rho)^3}.$$
 (2.2.62b)

## Further reading:

MTW[MTW73]

## 2.2.7 Painlevé-Gullstrand

The Schwarzschild metric expressed in Painlevé-Gullstrand coordinates[MP01] reads

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dT^{2} + \left(dr + \sqrt{\frac{r_{s}}{r}}cdT\right)^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.2.63)

where the new time coordinate *T* follows from the Schwarzschild time *t* in the following way:

$$cT = ct + 2r_s \left( \sqrt{\frac{r}{r_s}} + \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{r/r_s} - 1}{\sqrt{r/r_s} + 1} \right| \right).$$
 (2.2.64)

**Metric-Tensor:** 

$$g_{TT} = -c^2 \left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r}\right), \qquad g_{Tr} = c\sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}}, \qquad g_{rr} = 1, \qquad g_{\vartheta\vartheta} = r^2, \qquad g_{\varphi\varphi} = r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.2.65)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{TT}^{T} = \frac{cr_s}{2r^2} \sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}}, \qquad \Gamma_{TT}^{r} = \frac{c^2 r_s (r - r_s)}{2r^3}, \qquad \Gamma_{Tr}^{T} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2},$$
 (2.2.66a)

$$\Gamma_{Tr}^r = -\frac{cr_s}{2r^2}\sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^T = \frac{r_s}{2cr^2}\sqrt{\frac{r}{r_s}}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^r = -\frac{r_s}{2r^2}, \qquad (2.2.66b)$$

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{T} = -\frac{r}{c}\sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}}, \qquad (2.2.66c)$$

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -(r - r_s), \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{T}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{r}{c}\sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}}\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad (2.2.66d)$$

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -(r - r_s)\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.2.66e)

#### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{TrTr} = -\frac{c^2 r_s}{r^3},$$
  $R_{T\vartheta T\vartheta} = \frac{c^2 r_s (r - r_s)}{2r^2},$   $R_{T\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{c r_s}{2r} \sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}},$  (2.2.67a)

$$R_{T\varphi T\varphi} = \frac{c^2 r_s (r - r_s) \sin^2 \vartheta}{2r^2}, \quad R_{T\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{c r_s}{2r} \sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}} \sin^2 \vartheta, \quad R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{r_s}{2r}, \tag{2.2.67b}$$

$$R_{r\phi r\phi} = -\frac{r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{2r}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \phi \vartheta \phi} = rr_s \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.2.67c)

The Ricci tensor and the Ricci scalar vanish identically.

#### Kretschmann scalar:

$$\mathcal{K} = 12r_s^2/r^6. {(2.2.68)}$$

For the Painlevé-Gullstrand coordinates, we can define two natural local tetrads.

#### Static local tetrad:

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}}_{(T)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}} \partial_T, \quad \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{(r)} = \frac{\sqrt{r_s}}{c\sqrt{r - r_s}} \partial_T + \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}} \partial_r, \quad \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{e}}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}, \quad (2.2.69)$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\hat{\theta}^{(T)} = c\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}dT - \frac{dr}{\sqrt{r/r_s - 1}}, \quad \hat{\theta}^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \hat{\theta}^{(\vartheta)} = rd\vartheta, \quad \hat{\theta}^{(\varphi)} = r\sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.2.70}$$

Freely falling local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(T)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_T - \sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}}\partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.2.71}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(T)} = c dT, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = c \sqrt{\frac{r_s}{r}} dT + dr, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = r d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r \sin \vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.2.72}$$

## Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(T)(r)(T)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r^3},$$
 (2.2.73a)

$$R_{(T)(\vartheta)(T)(\vartheta)} = R_{(T)(\varphi)(T)(\varphi)} = -R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^3}.$$
 (2.2.73b)

#### 2.2.8 Israel coordinates

The Schwarzschild metric in Israel coordinates  $(x, y, \vartheta, \varphi)$  reads[SKM<sup>+</sup>03]

$$ds^{2} = r_{s}^{2} \left[ 4dx \left( dy + \frac{y^{2}dx}{1 + xy} \right) + (1 + xy)^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right],$$
 (2.2.74)

where the coordinates *x* and *y* follow from the Schwarzschild coordinates via

$$t = r_s \left( 1 + xy + \ln \frac{y}{x} \right)$$
 and  $r = r_s (1 + xy)$ . (2.2.75)

#### Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{xx}^{x} = -\frac{y(2+xy)}{(1+xy)^{2}}, \quad \Gamma_{xx}^{y} = \frac{y^{3}(3+xy)}{(1+xy)^{3}}, \qquad \Gamma_{xy}^{y} = \frac{y(2+xy)}{(1+xy)^{2}},$$
 (2.2.76a)

$$\Gamma_{x\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{y}{1+xy}, \qquad \Gamma_{x\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{y}{1+xy}, \qquad \Gamma_{y\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{x}{1+xy},$$
(2.2.76b)

$$\Gamma_{x\phi}^{\varphi} = \frac{x}{1+xy}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{x} = -\frac{x}{2}(1+xy), \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{y} = -\frac{y}{2}(1-xy), \tag{2.2.76c}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{x}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{x}{2}(1+xy)\sin^{2}\vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{y}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{y}{2}(1-xy)\sin^{2}\vartheta, \tag{2.2.76d}$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\theta\theta} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \tag{2.2.76e}$$

#### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{xyxy} = -4\frac{r_s^2}{(1+xy)^3}, \quad R_{x\vartheta x\vartheta} = -2\frac{y^2 r_s^2}{(1+xy)^2}, \quad R_{x\vartheta y\vartheta} = -\frac{r_s^2}{1+xy},$$
 (2.2.77a)

$$R_{x\phi x\phi} = -2\frac{r_s^2 y^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{(1+xy)^2}, \quad R_{x\phi y\phi} = -\frac{r_s^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{1+xy}, \quad R_{\vartheta \phi \vartheta \phi} = (1+xy)r_s^2 \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.2.77b}$$

The Ricci tensor as well as the Ricci scalar vanish identically. Hence, the Weyl tensor is identical to the Riemann tensor. The Kretschmann scalar reads

$$\mathscr{K} = \frac{12}{r_s^4 (1 + xy)^6}. (2.2.78)$$

#### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = -\frac{\sqrt{1+xy}}{2r_{\rm cy}}\partial_x + \frac{y}{r_{\rm c}\sqrt{1+xy}}\partial_y, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{\sqrt{1+xy}}{2r_{\rm cy}}\partial_x, \tag{2.2.79a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{r_s(1+xy)} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \frac{1}{r_s(1+xy)\sin\vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.2.79b}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(0)} = \frac{r_s \sqrt{1 + xy}}{y} dy, \qquad \theta^{(1)} = \frac{2r_s y}{\sqrt{1 + xy}} dx + \frac{r_s \sqrt{1 + xy}}{y} dy, \tag{2.2.80a}$$

$$\theta^{(2)} = r_s(1+xy) d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(3)} = r_s(1+xy) \sin \vartheta d\varphi.$$
 (2.2.80b)

#### 2.3 **Alcubierre Warp**

The Warp metric given by Miguel Alcubierre[Alc94] reads

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + (dx - v_{s}f(r_{s})dt)^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2}$$
(2.3.1)

where

$$v_s = \frac{dx_s(t)}{dt},\tag{2.3.2a}$$

$$r_s(t) = \sqrt{(x - x_s(t))^2 + y^2 + z^2},$$
 (2.3.2b)

$$f(r_s) = \frac{\tanh(\sigma(r_s + R)) - \tanh(\sigma(r_s - R))}{2\tanh(\sigma R)}.$$
 (2.3.2c)

The parameter R > 0 defines the radius of the warp bubble and the parameter  $\sigma > 0$  its thickness.

#### **Metric-Tensor:**

$$g_{tt} = -c^2 + v_s^2 f(r_s)^2, \qquad g_{tx} = -v_s f(r_s), \qquad g_{xx} = g_{yy} = g_{zz} = 1.$$
 (2.3.3)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{tt}^t = \frac{f^2 f_x v_s^3}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{tt}^z = -f f_z v_s^2, \qquad \Gamma_{tt}^y = -f f_y v_s^2, \qquad (2.3.4a)$$

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{x} = \frac{f^{3} f_{x} v_{s}^{4} - c^{2} f f_{x} v_{s}^{2} - c^{2} f_{t} v_{s}}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tx}^{t} = -\frac{f f_{x} v_{s}^{2}}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tx}^{x} = -\frac{f^{2} f_{x} v_{s}^{3}}{c^{2}}, \tag{2.3.4b}$$

$$\Gamma_{tx}^{y} = \frac{f_{y}v_{s}}{2}, \qquad \Gamma_{tx}^{z} = \frac{f_{z}v_{s}}{2}, \qquad \Gamma_{ty}^{t} = -\frac{ff_{y}v_{s}^{2}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad (2.3.4c)$$

$$\Gamma_{tx}^{y} = \frac{f_{y}v_{s}}{2}, \qquad \Gamma_{tx}^{z} = \frac{f_{z}v_{s}}{2}, \qquad \Gamma_{ty}^{t} = -\frac{ff_{y}v_{s}^{2}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad (2.3.4c)$$

$$\Gamma_{ty}^{x} = -\frac{f^{2}f_{y}v_{s}^{3} + c^{2}f_{y}v_{s}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tz}^{t} = -\frac{ff_{z}v_{s}^{2}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tz}^{x} = -\frac{f^{2}f_{z}v_{s}^{3} + c^{2}f_{z}v_{s}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad (2.3.4d)$$

$$\Gamma_{xx}^t = \frac{f_x v_s}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{xx}^t = \frac{f_f v_s^2}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{xy}^t = \frac{f_y v_s}{2c^2}, \qquad (2.3.4e)$$

$$\Gamma_{xy}^{x} = \frac{ff_{y}v_{s}^{2}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{xz}^{t} = \frac{f_{z}v_{s}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{xz}^{x} = \frac{ff_{z}v_{s}^{2}}{2c^{2}}, \qquad (2.3.4f)$$

with derivatives

$$f_t = \frac{df(r_s)}{dt} = \frac{-v_s \sigma(x - x_s(t))}{2r_s \tanh(\sigma R)} \left[ \operatorname{sech}^2(\sigma(r_s + R)) - \operatorname{sech}^2(\sigma(r_s - R)) \right]$$
(2.3.5a)

$$f_x = \frac{df(r_s)}{dx} = \frac{\sigma(x - x_s(t))}{2r_s \tanh(\sigma R)} \left[ \operatorname{sech}^2(\sigma(r_s + R)) - \operatorname{sech}^2(\sigma(r_s - R)) \right]$$
(2.3.5b)

$$f_{y} = \frac{df(r_{s})}{dy} = \frac{\sigma y}{2r_{s}\tanh(\sigma R)} \left[ \operatorname{sech}^{2}(\sigma(r_{s} + R)) - \operatorname{sech}^{2}(\sigma(r_{s} - R)) \right]$$
(2.3.5c)

$$f_z = \frac{df(r_s)}{dz} = \frac{\sigma z}{2r_s \tanh(\sigma R)} \left[ \operatorname{sech}^2(\sigma(r_s + R)) - \operatorname{sech}^2(\sigma(r_s - R)) \right]$$
(2.3.5d)

Riemann- and Ricci-tensor as well as Ricci- and Kretschman-scalar are shown only in the Maple worksheet.

#### Comoving local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{c} \left( \partial_t + v_s f \partial_x \right), \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \partial_x, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \partial_y, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \partial_z. \tag{2.3.6}$$

Static local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^2 - v_s^2 f^2}} \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{v_s f}{c\sqrt{c^2 - v_s^2 f^2}} \partial_t + \frac{\sqrt{c^2 - v_s^2 f^2}}{c} \partial_x, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \partial_y, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \partial_z.$$
 (2.3.7)

#### **Further reading:**

Pfenning[PF97], Clark[CHL99], Van Den Broeck[Bro99]

## 2.4 Barriola-Vilenkin monopol

The Barriola-Vilenkin metric describes the gravitational field of a global monopole[BV89]. In spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$ , the metric reads

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + dr^{2} + k^{2}r^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta \, d\varphi^{2} \right), \tag{2.4.1}$$

where k is the scaling factor responsible for the deficit/surplus angle.

#### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma^r_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -k^2 r, \qquad \Gamma^r_{\varphi\varphi} = -k^2 r \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r},$$
 (2.4.2a)

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta.$$
 (2.4.2b)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta,r} = -k^2,$$
 (2.4.3a)

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2\vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -k^2\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.4.3b)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta}^r = -k^2 r \sin(2\vartheta). \tag{2.4.3c}$$

#### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = (1 - k^2)k^2r^2\sin^2\vartheta. \tag{2.4.4}$$

Ricci tensor, Ricci and Kretschmann scalar:

$$R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = (1 - k^2), \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = (1 - k^2)\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \mathscr{R} = 2\frac{1 - k^2}{k^2r^2}, \qquad \mathscr{K} = 4\frac{(1 - k^2)^2}{k^4r^4}.$$
 (2.4.5)

Weyl-Tensor:

$$C_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2(1-k^2)}{3k^2r^2}, \quad C_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{c^2}{6}(1-k^2), \qquad C_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{c^2}{6}(1-k^2)\sin^2\vartheta, \tag{2.4.6a}$$

$$C_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{6}(1-k^2), \quad C_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{1}{6}(1-k^2)\sin^2\vartheta, \ C_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{k^2r^2}{3}(1-k^2)\sin^2\vartheta.$$
 (2.4.6b)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{kr}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{kr\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.4.7)

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = dr, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = kr d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = kr \sin \vartheta d\varphi.$$
 (2.4.8)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{kr}.$$
(2.4.9)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{2}{r}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{kr}.$$
(2.4.10)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{1 - k^2}{k^2 r^2}.$$
(2.4.11)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{1 - k^2}{k^2 r^2}.$$
 (2.4.12)

Weyl-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$C_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -C_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{1-k^2}{3k^2r^2},$$
(2.4.13a)

$$C_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = C_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -C_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -C_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1 - k^2}{6k^2r^2}.$$
(2.4.13b)

#### **Embedding:**

The embedding function, see Sec. 1.7, for k < 1 reads

$$z = \sqrt{1 - k^2} r. ag{2.4.14}$$

#### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{h_1^2}{c^2}, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{h_2^2}{k^2r^2} - \kappa c^2\right), \tag{2.4.15}$$

with the constants of motion  $h_1 = c^2 \dot{t}$  and  $h_2 = k^2 r^2 \dot{\varphi}$ .

The point of closest approach  $r_{pca}$  for a null geodesic that starts at  $r = r_i$  with  $\mathbf{y} = \pm \mathbf{e}_{(t)} + \cos \xi \mathbf{e}_{(r)} + \sin \xi \mathbf{e}_{(\phi)}$  is given by  $r = r_i \sin \xi$ . Hence, the  $r_{pca}$  is independent of k. The same is also true for timelike geodesics.

#### Further reading:

Barriola and Vilenkin[BV89], Perlick[Per04].

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#### 2.5 Bertotti-Kasner

The Bertotti-Kasner spacetime in spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$  reads[Rin98]

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}dr^{2} + \frac{1}{\Lambda}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.5.1)

where the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$  must be positive.

#### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{r} = c\sqrt{\Lambda}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{t} = \frac{\sqrt{\Lambda}}{c}e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^{\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.5.2)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma_{rr,t}^{t} = 2\Lambda e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta}^{\varphi} = -\frac{1}{\sin^{2}\vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta).$$
 (2.5.3)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{trtr} = -\Lambda c^2 e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{\sin^2\vartheta}{\Lambda}.$$
 (2.5.4)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -\Lambda c^2, \qquad R_{rr} = \Lambda e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = 1, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \sin^2\vartheta.$$
 (2.5.5)

The Ricci and Kretschmann scalars read

$$\mathcal{R} = 4\Lambda, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 8\Lambda^2. \tag{2.5.6}$$

**Weyl-Tensor:** 

$$C_{trtr} = -\frac{2}{3}\Lambda c^2 e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad C_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{c^2}{3}, \qquad C_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -\frac{1}{3}e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad (2.5.7a)$$

$$C_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{3}e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}, \qquad C_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{1}{3}e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}\sin^2\vartheta, \quad C_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{2}{3}\frac{\sin^2\vartheta}{\Lambda}.$$
 (2.5.7b)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = e^{-\sqrt{\Lambda}ct} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \sqrt{\Lambda} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{\sqrt{\Lambda}}{\sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.5.8}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = e^{\sqrt{\Lambda}ct} dr, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \frac{\sin \vartheta}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} d\varphi. \tag{2.5.9}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(t)(r)(r)} = \sqrt{\Lambda}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\varphi)} = -\sqrt{\Lambda}\cot\vartheta.$$
 (2.5.10)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = -\sqrt{\Lambda}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \sqrt{\Lambda} \cot \vartheta.$$
 (2.5.11)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\Lambda. \tag{2.5.12}$$

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -R_{(r)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = -\Lambda.$$
 (2.5.13)

Weyl-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$C_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -C_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{2\Lambda}{3},\tag{2.5.14a}$$

$$C_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = C_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -C_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -C_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{\Lambda}{3}.$$
(2.5.14b)

#### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$c^2 \dot{t}^2 = h_1^2 e^{-2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct} + \Lambda h_2^2 - \kappa \tag{2.5.15}$$

with the constants of motion  $h_1 = \dot{r}e^{2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}$  and  $h_2 = \dot{\phi}/\Lambda$ . Thus,

$$\lambda = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{\Lambda}\sqrt{\Lambda h_2^2 - \kappa}} \ln\left(\frac{1 + q(t)}{1 - q(t)} \frac{1 - q(t_i)}{1 + q(t_i)}\right), \qquad q(t) = \frac{h_1^2 e^{-2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct}}{\Lambda h_2^2 - \kappa} + 1, \tag{2.5.16}$$

where  $t_i$  is the initial time. We can also solve the orbital equation:

$$r(t) = w(t) - w(t_i) + r_i, \qquad w(t) = -\frac{\sqrt{h_1^2 e^{-2\sqrt{\Lambda}ct} + \Lambda h_2^2 - \kappa}}{h_1 \sqrt{\Lambda}},$$
(2.5.17)

where  $r_i$  is the initial radial position.

#### **Further reading:**

Rindler[Rin98]: "Every spherically symmetric solution of the generalized vacuum field equations  $R_{ij} = \Lambda g_{ij}$  is either equivalent to Kottler's generalization of Schwarzschild space or to the [...] Bertotti-Kasner space (for which  $\Lambda$  must be necessarily be positive)."

## Bessel gravitational wave

D. Kramer introduced in [Kra99] an exact gravitational wave solution of Einstein's vacuum field equations. According to [Ste03] we execute the substitution  $x \rightarrow t$  and  $y \rightarrow z$ .

### Cylindrical coordinates

The metric of the Bessel wave in cylindrical coordinates reads

$$ds^{2} = e^{-2U} \left[ e^{2K} \left( d\rho^{2} - dt^{2} \right) + \rho^{2} d\varphi^{2} \right] + e^{2U} dz^{2}.$$
(2.6.1)

The functions *U* and *K* are given by

$$U := CJ_0(\rho)\cos(t), \tag{2.6.2}$$

$$K := \frac{1}{2}C^{2}\rho\left\{\rho\left[J_{0}(\rho)^{2} + J_{1}(\rho)^{2}\right] - 2J_{0}(\rho)J_{1}(\rho)\cos^{2}(t)\right\},\tag{2.6.3}$$

where  $J_n(\rho)$  are the Bessel functions of the first kind.

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{\prime} = \Gamma_{\rho\rho}^{\rho} = \Gamma_{\rho\rho}^{\prime} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial K}{\partial t}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\phi}^{\phi} = \Gamma_{tz}^{z} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, \qquad \Gamma_{\phi\phi}^{\prime} = -e^{-2K}\rho^{2}\frac{\partial U}{\partial t}, \qquad (2.6.4a)$$

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{\rho} = \Gamma_{t\rho}^{\prime} = \Gamma_{\rho\rho}^{\rho} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} + \frac{\partial K}{\partial \rho}, \qquad \Gamma_{\rho\phi}^{\phi} = \frac{1}{\rho} - \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho}, \qquad \Gamma_{zz}^{\rho} = -e^{4U-2K}\frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho}, \qquad (2.6.4b)$$

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{\rho} = \Gamma_{t\rho}^{t} = \Gamma_{\rho\rho}^{\rho} = -\frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} + \frac{\partial K}{\partial \rho}, \qquad \Gamma_{\rho\phi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{\rho} - \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho}, \qquad \Gamma_{zz}^{\rho} = -e^{4U - 2K} \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho}, \qquad (2.6.4b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\rho}_{\varphi\varphi} = \rho e^{-2K} \left( \rho \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho} - 1 \right), \qquad \Gamma^{\tau}_{\rho z} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial \rho}, \qquad \Gamma^{\tau}_{zz} = e^{4U - 2K} \frac{\partial U}{\partial t}. \qquad (2.6.4c)$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \mathbf{e}^{U-K} \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\rho)} = \mathbf{e}^{U-K} \partial_\rho, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\phi)} = \frac{1}{\rho} \mathbf{e}^U \partial_\phi, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \mathbf{e}^{-U} \partial_z. \tag{2.6.5}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = e^{K-U}dt, \quad \theta^{(\rho)} = e^{K-U}d\rho, \quad \theta^{(\phi)} = \rho e^{-U}d\phi, \quad \theta^{(z)} = e^{U}dz.$$
 (2.6.6)

### 2.6.2 Cartesian coordinates

In Cartesian coordinates with  $\rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$  the metric (2.6.1) reads

$$ds^{2} = -e^{2(K-U)}dt^{2} + \frac{e^{-2U}}{x^{2} + y^{2}} \left[ \left( e^{2K}x^{2} + y^{2} \right) dx^{2} + 2xy \left( e^{2K} - 1 \right) dx dy + \left( x^{2} + e^{2K}y^{2} \right) dy^{2} \right] + e^{2U}dz^{2}.$$
(2.6.7)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = e^{U - K} \partial_{t}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(x)} = e^{U} \sqrt{\frac{x^{2} + y^{2}}{e^{2K} x^{2} + y^{2}}} \partial_{x},$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(y)} = e^{U - K} \sqrt{\frac{e^{2K} x^{2} + y^{2}}{x^{2} + y^{2}}} \partial_{y} + xy \frac{e^{U - K} \left(e^{2K} - 1\right)}{\sqrt{(x^{2} + y^{2})\left(e^{2K} x^{2} + y^{2}\right)}}} \partial_{x}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = e^{-U} \partial_{z}$$
(2.6.8)

## Cosmic string in Schwarzschild spacetime

A cosmic string in the Schwarzschild spacetime represented by Schwarzschild coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$ reads

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} + \frac{1}{1 - r_{s}/r}dr^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \beta^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.7.1)

where  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$  is the Schwarzschild radius, G is Newton's constant, c is the speed of light, M is the mass of the black hole, and  $\beta$  is the string parameter, compare Aryal et al[AFV86].

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{c^{2}r_{s}(r - r_{s})}{2r^{3}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{r_{s}}{2r(r - r_{s})}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{r_{s}}{2r(r - r_{s})},$$
 (2.7.2a)

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{r\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -(r - r_s), \qquad (2.7.2b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -(r - r_s)\beta^2 \sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\beta^2 \sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \qquad (2.7.2c)$$

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma_{tt,r}^{r} = -\frac{(2r - 3r_s)c^2r_s}{2r^4}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr,r}^{t} = -\frac{(2r - r_s)r_s}{2r^2(r - r_s)^2}, \quad \Gamma_{rr,r}^{r} = \frac{(2r - r_s)r_s}{2r^2(r - r_s)^2},$$
(2.7.3a)

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi,r} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta,r} = -1, \qquad (2.7.3b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -\beta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\beta^2 \cos(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.7.3c)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2 \vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi,r} = -\beta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\beta^2 \cos(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.7.3c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta}^r = -(r - r_s)\beta^2 \sin(2\vartheta). \tag{2.7.3d}$$

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2 r_s}{r^3}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{c^2 (r - r_s) r_s}{r^2}, \qquad R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{c^2 (r - r_s) r_s \beta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{r^2}, \tag{2.7.4a}$$

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s}{r - r_s}, \quad R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s \beta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{r - r_s}, \quad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = r r_s \beta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.7.4b}$$

The Ricci tensor as well as the Ricci scalar vanish identically. Hence, the Weyl tensor is identical to the Riemann tensor. The Kretschmann scalar reads

$$\mathcal{K} = 12 \frac{r_s^2}{r_0^6}. (2.7.5)$$

### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r\beta \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.7.6}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = rd\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r\beta\sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.7.7}$$

### Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(t)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r}\sqrt{1 - \frac{r_s}{r}}, \quad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.7.8}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{4r - 3r_s}{2r^2\sqrt{1 - r_s/r}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}.$$
(2.7.9)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r^3},\tag{2.7.10a}$$

$$R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^3}.$$
(2.7.10b)

### **Embedding:**

The embedding function for  $\beta^2 < 1$  reads

$$z = (r - r_s)\sqrt{\frac{r}{r - r_s} - \beta^2} - \frac{r_s}{2\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \ln \frac{\sqrt{r/(r - r_s) - \beta^2} - \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}{\sqrt{r/(r - r_s) - \beta^2} + \sqrt{1 - \beta^2}}.$$
 (2.7.11)

If  $\beta^2 = 1$ , we have the embedding function of the standard Schwarzschild metric, compare Eq.(2.2.15).

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{k^2}{c^2}, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r}\right)\left(\frac{h^2}{r^2\beta^2} - \kappa c^2\right)$$
(2.7.12)

with the constants of motion  $k=(1-r_s/r)c^2t$  and  $h=r^2\beta^2\dot{\phi}$ . The maxima of the effective potential  $V_{\rm eff}$  lead to the same critical orbits  $r_{\rm po}=\frac{3}{2}r_s$  and  $r_{\rm iteg}=3r_s$  as in the standard Schwarzschild metric.

#### 2.8 Ernst spacetime

"The Ernst metric is a static, axially symmetric, electro-vacuum solution of the Einstein-Maxwell equations with a black hole immersed in a magnetic field."[KV92]

In spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$ , the Ernst metric reads[Ern76] (G = c = 1)

$$ds^{2} = \Lambda^{2} \left[ -\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) dt^{2} + \frac{dr^{2}}{1 - 2M/r} + r^{2} d\vartheta^{2} \right] + \frac{r^{2} \sin^{2} \vartheta}{\Lambda^{2}} d\varphi^{2},$$
 (2.8.1)

where  $\Lambda = 1 + B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta$ . Here, M is the mass of the black hole and B the magnetic field strength.

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{\left(2B^{2}r^{3}\sin^{2}\vartheta - 3MB^{2}r^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta + M\right)(r - 2M)}{r^{3}\Lambda}, \quad \Gamma_{tt}^{\vartheta} = \frac{2(r - 2M)B^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{r\Lambda}, \quad (2.8.2a)$$

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{2B^{2}r^{3}\sin^{2}\vartheta - 3MB^{2}r^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta + M}{r(r - 2M)\Lambda}, \quad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{t} = \frac{2B^{2}r^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Lambda}, \quad (2.8.2b)$$

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{2B^{2}r^{3}\sin^{2}\vartheta - 3MB^{2}r^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta + M}{r(r - 2M)\Lambda}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{t} = \frac{2B^{2}r^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Lambda}, \qquad (2.8.2b)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^{r} = \frac{2B^{2}r^{3}\sin^{2}\vartheta - 5MB^{2}r^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta - M}{r(r - 2M)\Lambda}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{2B^{2}r\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{(r - 2M)\Lambda}, \qquad (2.8.2c)$$

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{r} = \frac{2B^{2}r^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Lambda}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{3B^{2}r^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta + 1}{r\Lambda}, \qquad (2.8.2d)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{1 - B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{r\Lambda}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{\left(3B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta + 1\right) (r - 2M)}{\Lambda}, \qquad (2.8.2e)$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{2B^2r^2\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Lambda}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{\Xi\cos\vartheta}{\Lambda}, \qquad (2.8.2f)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = \frac{(r - 2M)\Xi\sin^{2}\vartheta}{\Lambda^{5}},\tag{2.8.2g}$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{\Xi \sin\vartheta \cos\vartheta}{\Lambda^5}.\tag{2.8.2h}$$

with  $\Xi = 1 - B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta$ .

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{trtr} = \frac{2}{r^3} \left[ B^4 r^4 \sin^4 \vartheta (3M - r) - M + 2r^5 B^4 \sin^2 \vartheta \cos^2 \vartheta + B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta (r - 2M) \right], \tag{2.8.3a}$$

$$R_{trt\vartheta} = 2B^2 \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta \left[ (3B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta (2M - 3r) + r - 2M \right], \tag{2.8.3b}$$

$$R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r^2} \left[ B^4 r^4 (r - 2M)(4r - 9M) \sin^4 \vartheta + 2\Xi B^2 r^3 (r - 2M) \cos^2 \vartheta + M(r - 2M) \right], \tag{2.8.3c}$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^4 r^2} \left[ (2B^2 r^3 - 3B^2 M r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta + M) \Xi(r - 2M) \sin^2 \vartheta \right], \tag{2.8.3d}$$

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{(2B^2r^3 - 3B^2Mr^2\sin^2\vartheta + M)\Xi}{r - 2M},$$
(2.8.3e)

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{\sin^2 \vartheta}{\Lambda^4 (r - 2M)} \left[ B^4 r^4 (4r - 9M) \sin^4 \vartheta + 2B^2 r^2 (8M - 4r\vartheta) \sin^2 \vartheta + 2\Xi B^2 r^3 \cos^2 \vartheta + M \right], \quad (2.8.3f)$$

$$R_{r\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = -\frac{2B^2r^3\sin^3\vartheta\cos\vartheta\left(3B^2r^2\sin^2\vartheta - 5\right)}{\Lambda^4},\tag{2.8.3g}$$

$$R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{r \sin^2 \vartheta}{\Lambda^4} \left[ 2B^4 r^4 (r - 3M) \sin^4 \vartheta + 4B^2 r^3 \cos^2 \vartheta (1 + \Xi) + 2B^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta (2M - r) + 2M \right]. \tag{2.8.3h}$$

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**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = \frac{4B^{2}(r - 2M)(r + 2M\sin^{2}\vartheta)}{r^{2}\Lambda^{2}}, \quad R_{rr} = -\frac{4B^{2}[r\cos^{2}\vartheta - (r - 2M)\sin^{2}\vartheta]}{(r - 2M)\Lambda^{2}},$$
 (2.8.4a)

$$R_{r\vartheta} = \frac{8B^2 r \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta}{\Lambda^2}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{4B^2 r \left[r \cos^2 \vartheta + (r - 2M) \sin^2 \vartheta\right]}{\Lambda^2}, \qquad (2.8.4b)$$

$$R_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{4B^2 r \sin^2 \vartheta \left(r + 2M \sin^2 \vartheta\right)}{\Lambda^6}.$$
 (2.8.4c)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalars:

$$R = 0,$$

$$\mathcal{H} = \frac{16}{r^{6}\Lambda^{8}} \left[ 3B^{8}r^{8} \left( 4r^{2} - 18Mr + 21M^{2} \right) \sin^{8}\vartheta + 2B^{4}r^{4} \left( 31M^{2} - 37Mr - 24B^{2}r^{4}\cos^{2}\vartheta + 42B^{2}Mr^{3}\cos^{2}\vartheta + 10r^{2} + 6B^{4}r^{6}\cos^{4}\vartheta \right) \sin^{6}\vartheta + 2B^{2}r^{2} \left( -3Mr + 20B^{2}r^{4}\cos^{2}\vartheta + 6M^{2} - 46B^{2}Mr^{3}\cos^{2}\vartheta - 12B^{4}r^{6}\cos^{4}\vartheta \right) \sin^{4}\vartheta - 6B^{6}r^{6} \left( 6B^{2}Mr^{3}\cos^{2}\vartheta + 4r^{2} - 4B^{2}r^{4}\cos^{2}\vartheta + 18M^{2} - 17Mr \right) + 20B^{4}r^{6}\cos^{4}\vartheta + 12B^{2}Mr^{3}\cos^{2}\vartheta + 3M^{2} \right].$$
(2.8.5b)

Static local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{\Lambda \sqrt{1 - 2m/r}} \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - 2m/r}}{\Lambda} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\Lambda r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{\Lambda}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.8.6}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = \Lambda \sqrt{1 - \frac{2m}{r}} dt, \quad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{\Lambda}{\sqrt{1 - 2m/r}} dr, \quad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = \Lambda r d\vartheta, \quad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \frac{r \sin \vartheta}{\Lambda} d\varphi. \tag{2.8.7}$$

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\dot{r}^2 + \frac{h^2(1 - r_s/r)}{r^2} - \frac{k^2}{\Lambda^4} + \kappa \frac{1 - r_s/r}{\Lambda^2} = 0$$
 (2.8.8)

with constants of motion  $k = \Lambda^2 (1 - r_s/r)\dot{t}$  and  $h = (r^2/\Lambda^2)\dot{\phi}$ .

### **Further reading:**

Ernst[Ern76], Dhurandhar and Sharma[DS83], Karas and Vokrouhlicky[KV92], Stuchlík and Hledík[SH99].

### 2.9 Friedman-Robertson-Walker

The Friedman-Robertson-Walker metric describes a general homogeneous and isotropic universe. In a general form it reads:

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + R^2 d\sigma^2 (2.9.1)$$

with R = R(t) being an arbitrary function of time only and  $d\sigma^2$  being a metric of a 3-space of constant curvature for which three explicit forms will be described here.

In all formulas in this section a dot denotes differentiation with respect to t, e.g.  $\dot{R} = dR(t)/dt$ .

### 2.9.1 Form 1

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + R^{2} \left\{ \frac{d\eta^{2}}{1 - k\eta^{2}} + \eta^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right\}$$
 (2.9.2)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^{\eta}_{t\eta} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{t\vartheta} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{t\varphi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad (2.9.3a)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\eta\eta} = \frac{R\dot{R}}{c^2(1-k\eta^2)}, \ \Gamma^{\eta}_{\eta\eta} = \frac{k\eta}{1-k\eta^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\eta\vartheta} = \frac{1}{\eta}, \tag{2.9.3b}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\eta\varphi} = \frac{1}{\eta}, \qquad \Gamma^{t}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{R\eta^{2}\dot{R}}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma^{\eta}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = (k\eta^{2} - 1)\eta,$$
 (2.9.3c)

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{t}_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{R\eta^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta\dot{R}}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma^{\eta}_{\varphi\varphi} = (k\eta^{2} - 1)\eta\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad (2.9.3d)$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \tag{2.9.3e}$$

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{t\eta t\eta} = \frac{R\ddot{R}}{k\eta^2 - 1}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -R\eta^2 \ddot{R}, \qquad (2.9.4a)$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -R\eta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \ddot{R}, \qquad R_{\eta\vartheta\eta\vartheta} = -\frac{R^2\eta^2 \left(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2\right)}{c^2(k\eta^2 - 1)}, \qquad (2.9.4b)$$

$$R_{\eta \varphi \eta \varphi} = -\frac{R^2 \eta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \left( \dot{R}^2 + kc^2 \right)}{c^2 (k\eta^2 - 1)}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{R^2 \eta^4 \sin^2 \vartheta \left( \dot{R}^2 + kc^2 \right)}{c^2}. \tag{2.9.4c}$$

### **Ricci-Tensor:**

$$R_{tt} = -3\frac{\ddot{R}}{R},$$
  $R_{\eta\eta} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2)}{c^2(1 - k\eta^2)},$  (2.9.5a)

$$R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \eta^2 \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2)}{c^2}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \eta^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2)}{c^2}.$$
 (2.9.5b)

The Ricci scalar and Kretschmann scalar read:

$$\mathcal{R} = 6\frac{R\ddot{R} + \dot{R}^2 + kc^2}{R^2c^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 12\frac{\ddot{R}^2R^2 + \dot{R}^4 + 2\dot{R}^2kc^2 + k^2c^4}{R^4c^4}.$$
 (2.9.6)

### Local tetrad:

$$e_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad e_{(\eta)} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - k\eta^2}}{R}\partial_{\eta}, \qquad e_{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R\eta}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad e_{\varphi} = \frac{1}{R\eta\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.9.7)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\eta)(t)(\eta)} = \gamma_{(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}}{Rc} \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(\eta)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(\eta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\sqrt{1 - k\eta^2}}{R\eta}, 
\gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{R\eta}.$$
(2.9.8)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = \frac{3\dot{R}}{Rc}, \qquad \gamma_{(r)} = \frac{2\sqrt{1 - k\eta^2}}{R\eta}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{R\eta}.$$
(2.9.9)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\eta)(t)(\eta)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}$$
(2.9.10a)

$$R_{(\eta)(\vartheta)(\eta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\eta)(\varphi)(\eta)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}^2 + kc^2}{R^2c^2}.$$
 (2.9.10b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -\frac{3\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}, \qquad R_{(r)(r)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2\dot{R}^2 + 2kc^2}{R^2c^2}.$$
 (2.9.11)

### 2.9.2 Form 2

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + \frac{R^{2}}{(1 + \frac{k}{4}r^{2})^{2}} \left\{ dr^{2} + r^{2}(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}) \right\}$$
(2.9.12)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{r} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad (2.9.13a)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^{t} = 16 \frac{R\dot{R}}{c^{2}(4+kr^{2})^{2}}, \quad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{2kr}{4+kr^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{4-kr^{2}}{(4+kr^{2})r},$$
(2.9.13b)

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{4 - kr^2}{(4 + kr^2)r}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = 16 \frac{Rr^2\dot{R}}{c^2(4 + kr^2)^2}, \quad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{r(kr^2 - 4)}{4 + kr^2}, \tag{2.9.13c}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = 16 \frac{Rr^2 \sin^2\vartheta\dot{R}}{c^2(4+kr^2)^2}, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \qquad (2.9.13d)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = \frac{r\sin^{2}\vartheta(kr^{2} - 4)}{4 + kr^{2}}.$$
(2.9.13e)

Riemann-Tensor:

$$R_{trtr} = -16 \frac{R\ddot{R}}{(4+kr^2)^2}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -16 \frac{Rr^2\ddot{R}}{(4+kr^2)^2},$$
 (2.9.14a)

$$R_{t\phi t\phi} = -16 \frac{Rr^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \ddot{R}}{(4 + kr^2)^2}, \qquad R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = 256 \frac{R^2 r^2 \left(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2\right)}{c^2 (4 + kr^2)^4}, \qquad (2.9.14b)$$

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = 256 \frac{R^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \left(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2\right)}{c^2 (4 + kr^2)^4}, \quad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = 256 \frac{R^2 r^4 \sin^2 \vartheta \left(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2\right)}{c^2 (4 + kr^2)^4}. \tag{2.9.14c}$$

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -3\frac{\ddot{R}}{R},$$
  $R_{rr} = 16\frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2)}{c^2(4 + kr^2)^2},$  (2.9.15a)

$$R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = 16r^2 \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2)}{c^2(4 + kr^2)^2}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = 16r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + kc^2)}{c^2(4 + kr^2)^2}. \tag{2.9.15b}$$

The Ricci scalar and Kretschmann scalar read:

$$\mathscr{R} = 6\frac{R\ddot{R} + \dot{R}^2 + kc^2}{R^2c^2}, \qquad \mathscr{K} = 12\frac{\ddot{R}^2R^2 + \dot{R}^4 + 2\dot{R}^2kc^2 + k^2c^4}{R^4c^4}.$$
 (2.9.16)

Local tetrad:

$$e_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad e_{(r)} = \frac{1 + \frac{k}{4}r^2}{R}\partial_r, \qquad e_{\vartheta} = \frac{1 + \frac{k}{4}r^2}{Rr}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad e_{\varphi} = \frac{1 + \frac{k}{4}r^2}{Rr\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.9.17}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(r)} = \gamma_{(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}}{Rc} \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\frac{\dot{k}}{4}r^2 - 1}{Rr}, \tag{2.9.18a}$$

$$\gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\left(\frac{k}{4}r^2 + 1\right)\cot\vartheta}{Rr}.\tag{2.9.18b}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = \frac{3\dot{R}}{Rc}, \qquad \gamma_{(r)} = 2\frac{1 - \frac{k}{4}r^2}{Rr}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{(\frac{k}{4}r^2 + 1)\cot\vartheta}{Rr}.$$
(2.9.19)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\eta)(t)(\eta)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}$$
(2.9.20a)

$$R_{(\eta)(\vartheta)(\eta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\eta)(\varphi)(\eta)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}^2 + kc^2}{R^2c^2}.$$
 (2.9.20b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -\frac{3\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}, \qquad R_{(r)(r)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2\dot{R}^2 + 2kc^2}{R^2c^2}.$$
 (2.9.21)

### 2.9.3 Form 3

The following forms of the metric are obtained from 2.9.2 by setting  $\eta = \sin \psi$ ,  $\psi$ ,  $\sinh \psi$  for k = 1, 0, -1 respectively.

### **Positive Curvature**

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + R^{2} \left\{ d\psi^{2} + \sin^{2}\psi \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right\}$$
 (2.9.22)

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{t\psi}^{\psi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad (2.9.23a)$$

$$\Gamma^{t}_{\psi\psi} = \frac{R\dot{R}}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\psi\vartheta} = \cot\psi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\psi\varphi} = \cot\psi, \qquad (2.9.23b)$$

$$R\sin^{2}\psi\dot{R} \qquad (2.9.23b)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{R\sin^2\psi\dot{R}}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\psi}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\sin\psi\cos\psi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot(\vartheta), \tag{2.9.23c}$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}' = \frac{R\sin^2\psi\sin^2\vartheta\dot{R}}{c^2}, \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\psi} = -\sin\psi\cos\psi\sin^2\vartheta, \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \tag{2.9.23d}$$

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{t\psi t\psi} = -R\ddot{R},$$
  $R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -R\sin^2\psi\ddot{R},$  (2.9.24a)

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -R\sin^2\psi\sin^2\vartheta\ddot{R}, \qquad R_{\psi\vartheta\psi\vartheta} = \frac{R^2\sin^2\psi\left(\dot{R}^2 + c^2\right)}{c^2}, \qquad (2.9.24b)$$

$$R_{\psi\phi\psi\phi} = \frac{R^2 \sin^2 \psi \sin^2 \vartheta \left(\dot{R}^2 + c^2\right)}{c^2}, \quad R_{\vartheta\phi\vartheta\phi} = \frac{R^2 \sin^4 \psi \sin^2 \vartheta \left(\dot{R}^2 + c^2\right)}{c^2}.$$
 (2.9.24c)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -3\frac{\ddot{R}}{R},$$
  $R_{\psi\psi} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + c^2)}{c^2},$  (2.9.25a)

$$R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \sin^2 \psi \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + c^2)}{c^2}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \sin^2 \vartheta \sin^2 \psi \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + c^2)}{c^2}. \tag{2.9.25b}$$

The Ricci scalar and Kretschmann read

$$\mathcal{R} = 6\frac{R\ddot{R} + \dot{R}^2 + c^2}{R^2 c^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 12\frac{\ddot{R}^2 R^2 + \dot{R}^4 + 2\dot{R}^2 c^2 + c^4}{R^4 c^4}.$$
 (2.9.26)

Local tetrad:

$$e_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad e_{(\psi)} = \frac{1}{R}\partial_{\psi}, \qquad e_{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R\sin\psi}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad e_{\varphi} = \frac{1}{R\sin\psi\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.9.27)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\psi)(t)(\psi)} = \gamma_{(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}}{Rc} \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(\psi)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(\psi)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \psi}{R}, \tag{2.9.28a}$$

$$\gamma_{(\phi)(\vartheta)(\phi)} = \frac{\cot \theta}{R \sin \psi}.$$
 (2.9.28b)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = \frac{3R}{Rc}, \qquad \gamma_{(r)} = 2\frac{\cot \psi}{R}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{R\sin \psi}.$$
(2.9.29)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\psi)(t)(\psi)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\ddot{R}}{Rc^2},$$
(2.9.30a)

$$R_{(\psi)(\vartheta)(\psi)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\psi)(\varphi)(\psi)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}^2 + c^2}{R^2 c^2}. \tag{2.9.30b}$$

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -\frac{3\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}, \qquad R_{(\psi)(\psi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 + c^2)}{R^2c^2}. \tag{2.9.31}$$

**Vanishing Curvature** 

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + R^{2} \left\{ d\psi^{2} + \psi^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right\}$$
 (2.9.32)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{t\psi}^{\psi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad (2.9.33a)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\psi\psi} = \frac{R\dot{R}}{c^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\psi\vartheta} = \frac{1}{\psi}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\psi\varphi} = \frac{1}{\psi}, \qquad \qquad (2.9.33b)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{R\psi^2\dot{R}}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\psi}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\psi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot(\vartheta),$$
 (2.9.33c)

$$\Gamma'_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{R\psi^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \dot{R}}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\psi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\psi \sin^2 \vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta. \tag{2.9.33d}$$

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{t\psi t\psi} = -R\ddot{R},$$
  $R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -R\psi^2 \ddot{R},$  (2.9.34a)

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -R\psi^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \ddot{R}, \qquad R_{\psi\vartheta\psi\vartheta} = \frac{R^2\psi^2 \dot{R}^2}{c^2}, \tag{2.9.34b}$$

$$R_{\psi\phi\psi\phi} = \frac{R^2 \psi^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \dot{R}^2}{c^2}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\phi\vartheta\phi} = \frac{R^2 \psi^4 \sin^2 \vartheta \dot{R}^2}{c^2}.$$
 (2.9.34c)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -3\frac{\ddot{R}}{R},$$
  $R_{\psi\psi} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2\dot{R}^2}{c^2},$  (2.9.35a)

$$R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \psi^2 \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2\dot{R}^2}{c^2}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \sin^2\vartheta\psi^2 \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2\dot{R}^2}{c^2}.$$
 (2.9.35b)

The Ricci scalar and Kretschmann read

$$\mathcal{R} = 6\frac{R\ddot{R} + \dot{R}^2}{R^2c^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 12\frac{\ddot{R}^2R^2 + \dot{R}^4}{R^4c^4}.$$
 (2.9.36)

Local tetrad:

$$e_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad e_{(\psi)} = \frac{1}{R}\partial_{\psi}, \qquad e_{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R\psi}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad e_{\varphi} = \frac{1}{R\psi\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.9.37)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\psi)(t)(\psi)} = \gamma_{(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}}{Rc} \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(\psi)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(\psi)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{R\psi}, \tag{2.9.38a}$$

$$\gamma_{(\phi)(\vartheta)(\phi)} = \frac{\cot(\vartheta)}{R\psi}.$$
(2.9.38b)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = \frac{3\dot{R}}{Rc}, \qquad \gamma_{(r)} = \frac{2}{Rw}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{Rw}.$$
 (2.9.39)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\psi)(t)(\psi)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\ddot{R}}{Rc^2},$$
(2.9.40a)

$$R_{(\psi)(\vartheta)(\psi)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\psi)(\varphi)(\psi)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}^2}{R^2 c^2}.$$
(2.9.40b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -\frac{3\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}, \qquad R_{(\psi)(\psi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2\dot{R}^2}{R^2c^2}. \tag{2.9.41}$$

**Negative Curvature** 

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + R^{2} \left\{ d\psi^{2} + \sinh^{2}\psi \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right\}$$
 (2.9.42)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma^{\psi}_{t\psi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{t\vartheta} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{t\varphi} = \frac{\dot{R}}{R}, \qquad (2.9.43a)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\psi\psi} = \frac{R\dot{R}}{c^2}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\psi\vartheta} = \coth\psi, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\psi\varphi} = \coth\psi, \qquad \qquad (2.9.43b)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{R\sinh^2\psi\dot{R}}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\psi}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\sinh\psi\cosh\psi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad (2.9.43c)$$

$$\Gamma'_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{R \sinh^2 \psi \sin^2 \vartheta \dot{R}}{c^2}, \quad \Gamma^{\psi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sinh \psi \cosh \psi \sin^2 \vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta. \tag{2.9.43d}$$

Riemann-Tensor:

$$R_{t\psi t\psi} = -R\ddot{R}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -R\sinh^2\psi \ddot{R}, \qquad (2.9.44a)$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -R \sinh^2 \psi \sin^2 \vartheta \ddot{R}, \qquad R_{\psi\vartheta\psi\vartheta} = \frac{R^2 \sinh^2 \psi \left(\dot{R}^2 - c^2\right)}{c^2}, \qquad (2.9.44b)$$

$$R_{\psi\phi\psi\phi} = \frac{R^2 \sinh^2 \psi \sin^2 \vartheta \left(\dot{R}^2 - c^2\right)}{c^2}, \quad R_{\vartheta\phi\vartheta\phi} = \frac{R^2 \sinh \psi^4 \sin^2 \vartheta \left(\dot{R}^2 - c^2\right)}{c^2}. \tag{2.9.44c}$$

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -3\frac{\ddot{R}}{R},$$
  $R_{\psi\psi} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 - c^2)}{c^2},$  (2.9.45a)

$$R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \sinh^2 \psi \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 - c^2)}{c^2}, \quad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \sin^2 \vartheta \sin^2 \psi \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 - c^2)}{c^2}. \tag{2.9.45b}$$

The Ricci scalar and Kretschmann read

$$\mathscr{R} = 6\frac{R\ddot{R} + \dot{R}^2 - c^2}{R^2 c^2}, \qquad \mathscr{K} = 12\frac{\ddot{R}^2 R^2 + \dot{R}^4 - 2\dot{R}^2 c^2 + c^4}{R^4 c^4}.$$
 (2.9.46)

Local tetrad:

$$e_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad e_{(\psi)} = \frac{1}{R}\partial_{\psi}, \qquad e_{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R\sinh\psi}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad e_{\varphi} = \frac{1}{R\sinh\psi\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.9.47)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\psi)(t)(\psi)} = \gamma_{(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}}{Rc} \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(\psi)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(\psi)(\varphi)} = \frac{\coth \psi}{R}, \tag{2.9.48a}$$

$$\gamma_{(\phi)(\vartheta)(\phi)} = \frac{\cot \theta}{R \sinh \psi}.$$
 (2.9.48b)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = \frac{3\dot{R}}{Rc}, \qquad \gamma_{(r)} = 2\frac{\coth\psi}{R}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{R\sinh\psi}.$$
(2.9.49)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(\psi)(t)(\psi)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\ddot{R}}{Rc^2},$$
(2.9.50a)

$$R_{(\psi)(\vartheta)(\psi)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\psi)(\varphi)(\psi)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\dot{R}^2 - c^2}{R^2 c^2}.$$
(2.9.50b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -\frac{3\ddot{R}}{Rc^2}, \qquad R_{(\psi)(\psi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{R\ddot{R} + 2(\dot{R}^2 - c^2)}{R^2c^2}.$$
 (2.9.51)

**Further reading:** 

Rindler[Rin01]

### 2.10 Gödel Universe

Gödel introduced a homogeneous and rotating universe model in [Göd49]. We follow the notation of [KWSD04]

### 2.10.1 Cylindrical coordinates

The Gödel metric in cylindrical coordinates is

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + \frac{dr^{2}}{1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}} + r^{2}\left[1 - \left(\frac{r}{2a}\right)^{2}\right]d\varphi^{2} + dz^{2} - 2r^{2}\frac{c}{\sqrt{2}a}dtd\varphi,$$
(2.10.1)

where 2a is the Gödel radius.

### Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{r}{2a^{2}} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{\varphi} = -\frac{c}{\sqrt{2}ar} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}}, \qquad (2.10.2a)$$

$$\Gamma_{t\phi}^{r} = \frac{cr}{\sqrt{2}a} \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{r}{2a} \right) \right]^{2}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{r}{4a^{2}} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}}, \qquad (2.10.2b)$$

$$\Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\prime} = \frac{r^3}{4\sqrt{2}ca^3} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}, \qquad (2.10.2c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = r \left[ 1 + \left( \frac{r}{2a} \right)^{2} \right] \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r}{a} \right)^{2} \right]. \tag{2.10.2d}$$

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{trtr} = \frac{c^2}{2a^2} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}, \quad R_{trr\varphi} = -\frac{cr^2}{2\sqrt{2}a^3} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^2},$$
 (2.10.3a)

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{c^2 r^2}{2a^2} \frac{1}{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}, \quad R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = \frac{r^2}{2a^2} \frac{1 + 3[r/(2a)]^2}{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}.$$
 (2.10.3b)

### **Ricci-Tensor:**

$$R_{tt} = \frac{c^2}{a^2}, \quad R_{t\phi} = \frac{r^2 c}{\sqrt{2}a^3}, \quad R_{\phi\phi} = \frac{r^4}{2a^4}.$$
 (2.10.4)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalar

$$\mathcal{R} = -\frac{1}{a^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = \frac{3}{a^4}. \tag{2.10.5}$$

cosmological constant:

$$\Lambda = \frac{R}{2} \tag{2.10.6}$$

### Killing vectors:

An infinitesimal isometric transformation  $x'^{\mu} = x^{\mu} + \varepsilon \xi^{\mu}(x^{\nu})$  leaves the metric unchanged, that is  $g'_{\mu\nu}(x'^{\sigma}) = g_{\mu\nu}(x'^{\sigma})$ . A killing vector field  $\xi^{\mu}$  is solution to the killing equation  $\xi_{\mu;\nu} + \xi_{\nu;\mu} = 0$ . There exist five killing vector fields in Gödel's spacetime:

$$\xi_{a}^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi_{b}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{r}{\sqrt{2c}}\cos\varphi\\a\left(1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}\right)\sin\varphi\\\frac{a}{r}\left(1 + 2[r/(2a)]^{2}\right)\cos\varphi\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi_{c}^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.10.7a)$$

$$\xi_d^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi_e^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{r}{\sqrt{2c}} \sin \varphi \\ -a \left(1 + [r/(2a)]^2\right) \cos \varphi \\ \frac{a}{r} \left(1 + 2[r/(2a)]^2\right) \sin \varphi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2.10.7b}$$

An arbitrary linear combination of killing vector fields is again a killing vector field.

For the local tetrad in Gödel's spacetime an ansatz similar to the local tetrad of a rotating spacetime in spherical coordinates (Sec. 1.4.7) can be used. After substituting  $\vartheta \to z$  and swapping base vectors  $\mathbf{e}_{(2)}$ and  $\mathbf{e}_{(3)}$  an orthonormalized and right-handed local tetrad is obtained.

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \Gamma\left(\partial_t + \zeta \partial_{\varphi}\right), \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \sqrt{1 + [r/(2a)]^2} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \Delta \Gamma\left(A \partial_t + B \partial_{\varphi}\right), \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \partial_z, \tag{2.10.8a}$$

where

$$A = -\frac{r^2c}{\sqrt{2}a} + \zeta r^2 \left(1 - [r/(2a)]^2\right), \qquad B = c^2 + \frac{\zeta r^2c}{\sqrt{2}a}, \qquad (2.10.9a)$$

$$A = -\frac{r^2 c}{\sqrt{2}a} + \zeta r^2 \left(1 - [r/(2a)]^2\right), \qquad B = c^2 + \frac{\zeta r^2 c}{\sqrt{2}a}, \qquad (2.10.9a)$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^2 + \zeta r^2 c \sqrt{2}/a - \zeta^2 r^2 \left(1 - [r/(2a)]^2\right)}}, \qquad \Delta = \frac{1}{rc\sqrt{1 + [r/(2a)]^2}}. \qquad (2.10.9b)$$

Transformation between local direction  $y^{(i)}$  and coordinate direction  $y^{\mu}$ :

$$y^{0} = y^{(0)}\Gamma + y^{(2)}\Delta\Gamma A, \quad y^{1} = y^{(1)}\sqrt{1 + [r/(2a)]^{2}}, \quad y^{2} = y^{(0)}\Gamma\zeta + y^{(2)}\Delta\Gamma B, \quad y^{3} = y^{(3)}. \tag{2.10.10}$$

with the above abbreviations.

### Scaled cylindrical coordinates

If we apply the simple transformation

$$T = \frac{t}{r_G}, \qquad R = \frac{r}{r_G}, \qquad \phi = \varphi, \qquad Z = \frac{z}{r_G},$$
 (2.10.11)

with  $r_G = 2a$ , we find a formulation for the metric scaling with  $r_G$ , which is

$$ds^{2} = r_{G}^{2} \left( -c^{2}dT^{2} + \frac{dR^{2}}{1 + R^{2}} + R^{2}(1 - R^{2})D\phi^{2} + dZ^{2} - 2\sqrt{2}cR^{2}dTd\phi \right).$$
(2.10.12)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{TR}^{T} = \frac{2R}{1+R^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{TR}^{\phi} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}c}{R(1+R^2)},$$
(2.10.13a)

$$\Gamma_{T\phi}^{R} = \sqrt{2}cR(1+R^{2}), \qquad \Gamma_{RR}^{R} = -\frac{R}{1+R^{2}},$$
(2.10.13b)

$$\Gamma_{R\phi}^{T} = \frac{\sqrt{2}R^{3}}{c(1+R^{2})}, \qquad \Gamma_{R\phi}^{\phi} = \frac{1}{R(1+R^{2})},$$
(2.10.13c)

$$\Gamma^{R}_{\phi\phi} = R(1+R^2)(2R^2-1).$$
 (2.10.13d)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{TRTR} = \frac{2r_G^2c^2}{1+R^2},$$
  $R_{TRR\phi} = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}r_G^2cR^2}{1+R^2},$  (2.10.14a)

$$R_{T\phi T\phi} = 2c^2 r_G^2 R^2 (1 + R^2), \quad R_{R\phi R\phi} = \frac{2r_G^2 R^2 (1 + 3R^2)}{1 + R^2}.$$
 (2.10.14b)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{TT} = 4c^2$$
,  $R_{T\phi} = 4\sqrt{2}cR^2$ ,  $R_{\phi\phi} = 8R^4$ . (2.10.15)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalar

$$\mathcal{R} = -\frac{4}{r_G^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = \frac{48}{r_G^4}.$$
 (2.10.16)

cosmological constant:

$$\Lambda = \frac{R}{2} \tag{2.10.17}$$

### Killing vectors:

The Killing vectors read

$$\xi_{a}^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi_{b}^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+R^{2}}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}c}\cos\varphi \\ \frac{1}{2}(1+R^{2})\sin\varphi \\ \frac{1}{2R}(1+2R^{2})\cos\varphi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi_{c}^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (2.10.18a)$$

$$\xi_d^{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \xi_e^{\mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+R^2}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{R}{\sqrt{2}c} \sin \varphi \\ -\frac{1}{2}(1+R^2)\cos \varphi \\ \frac{1}{2R}(1+2R^2)\sin \varphi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2.10.18b}$$

#### Local tetrad:

After the transformation to scaled cylindrical coordinates, the local tetrad reads

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{\Gamma}{r_G} \left( \partial_T + \zeta \partial_\phi \right), \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{1}{r_G} \sqrt{1 + R^2} \partial_R, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{\Delta \Gamma}{r_G} \left( A \partial_T + B \partial_\phi \right), \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \frac{1}{r_G} \partial_Z, \quad (2.10.19a)$$

where

$$A = R^{2} \left[ -\sqrt{2}c + (1 - R^{2})\zeta \right], \qquad B = c^{2} + \sqrt{2}R^{2}c\zeta, \qquad (2.10.20a)$$

$$A = R^{2} \left[ -\sqrt{2}c + (1 - R^{2})\zeta \right], \qquad B = c^{2} + \sqrt{2}R^{2}c\zeta, \qquad (2.10.20a)$$

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{c^{2} + 2\sqrt{2}R^{2}c\zeta - R^{2}(1 - R^{2})\zeta^{2}}}, \qquad \Delta = \frac{1}{Rc\sqrt{1 + R^{2}}}. \qquad (2.10.20b)$$

Transformation between local direction  $y^{(i)}$  and coordinate direction  $y^{\mu}$ :

$$y^0 = \frac{\Gamma}{r_G} y^{(0)} + \frac{\Delta \Gamma A}{r_G} y^{(2)}, \qquad y^1 = \frac{1}{r_G} \sqrt{1 + R^2} y^{(1)}, \qquad y^2 = \frac{\Gamma \zeta}{r_G} y^{(0)} + \frac{\Delta \Gamma B}{r_G} y^{(2)}, \qquad y^3 = \frac{1}{r_G} y^{(3)}, \quad (2.10.21)$$

and the back transformation is given by

$$y^{(0)} = \frac{r_G}{\Gamma} \frac{By^0 - Ay^2}{B - \zeta A}, \qquad y^{(1)} = \frac{r_G}{\sqrt{1 + R^2}} y^1, \qquad y^{(2)} = \frac{r_G}{\Delta \Gamma} \frac{y^2 - \zeta y^0}{B - \zeta A}, \qquad y^{(3)} = r_G y^3. \tag{2.10.22a}$$

## 2.11 Halilsoy standing wave

The standing wave metric by Halilsoy[Hal88] reads

$$ds^{2} = V\left[e^{2K}\left(d\rho^{2} - dt^{2}\right) + \rho^{2}d\varphi^{2}\right] + \frac{1}{V}\left(dz + A\,d\varphi\right)^{2},$$
(2.11.1)

where

$$V = \cosh^{2} \alpha e^{-2CJ_{0}(\rho)\cos(t)} + \sinh^{2} \alpha e^{2CJ_{0}(\rho)\cos(t)}, \tag{2.11.2a}$$

$$K = \frac{C^2}{2} \left[ \rho^2 \left( J_0(\rho)^2 + J_1(\rho)^2 \right) - 2\rho J_0(\rho) J_1(\rho) \cos^2 t \right], \tag{2.11.2b}$$

$$A = -2C\sinh(2\alpha)\rho J_1(\rho)\sin(t). \tag{2.11.2c}$$

with spherical Bessel functions  $J_{1,2}$  and parameters  $\alpha$  and C.

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{e^{-K}}{\sqrt{V}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{e^{-K}}{\sqrt{V}} \partial_\rho, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\rho \sqrt{V}} \partial_\phi - \frac{A}{\rho \sqrt{V}} \partial_z, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \sqrt{V} \partial_z. \tag{2.11.3}$$

dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(0)} = \sqrt{V}e^{K}dt, \qquad \theta^{(2)} = \sqrt{V}e^{K}d\rho, \qquad \theta^{(2)} = \sqrt{V}\rho d\phi, \qquad \theta^{(3)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{V}}(dz + Ad\phi). \tag{2.11.4}$$

## 2.12 Janis-Newman-Winicour

The Janis-Newman-Winicour[JNW68] spacetime in spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$  is represented by the line element

$$ds^{2} = -\alpha^{\gamma}c^{2}dt^{2} + \alpha^{-\gamma}dr^{2} + r^{2}\alpha^{-\gamma+1}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.12.1)

where  $\alpha = 1 - r_s/(\gamma r)$ . The Schwarzschild radius  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$  is defined by Newton's constant G, the speed of light c, and the mass parameter M. For  $\gamma = 1$ , we obtain the Schwarzschild metric (2.2.1).

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{r_s c^2}{2r^2} \alpha^{2\gamma - 1}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{r} = \frac{r_s}{2\gamma r^2 \alpha}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{r_s}{2\gamma r^2 \alpha}, \qquad (2.12.2a)$$

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)}{2\gamma r^2 \alpha}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)}{2\gamma r^2 \alpha}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -\frac{2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)}{2\gamma}, \tag{2.12.2b}$$

$$\Gamma^r_{\theta\theta} = \Gamma^r_{\vartheta\vartheta} \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\theta} = \cot \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\theta\theta\theta} = -\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta.$$
 (2.12.2c)

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{trtr} = -\frac{r_s c^2 \left[2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)\right] \alpha^{\gamma - 2}}{2\gamma r^4}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{r_s c^2 \left[2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)\right] \alpha^{\gamma - 1}}{4\gamma r^2}, \tag{2.12.3a}$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{r_s c^2 \left[2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)\right] \alpha^{\gamma - 1} \sin^2 \vartheta}{4\gamma r^2}, \ R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{r_s \left[2\gamma^2 r - r_s(\gamma + 1)\right]}{4\gamma^2 r^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1}}, \tag{2.12.3b}$$

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{r_s \left[ 2\gamma^2 r - r_s(\gamma + 1) \right] \sin^2 \vartheta}{4\gamma^2 r^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1}}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{r_s \left[ 4\gamma^2 r - r_s(\gamma + 1)^2 \right] \sin^2 \vartheta}{4\gamma^2 \alpha^{\gamma}}. \tag{2.12.3c}$$

### Weyl-Tensor:

$$C_{trtr} = -\frac{r_s c^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 2} \beta}{6 \gamma^2 r^4}, \qquad C_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{r_s c^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1} \beta}{12 \gamma^2 r^2}, \qquad (2.12.4a)$$

$$C_{t\phi t\phi} = \frac{r_s c^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1} \beta \sin^2 \vartheta}{12 \gamma^2 r^2}, \qquad C_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{r_s \beta}{12 \gamma^2 r^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1}}, \tag{2.12.4b}$$

$$C_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{r_s \beta \sin^2 \vartheta}{12 \gamma^2 r^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1}}, \qquad C_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{r_s \beta \sin^2 \vartheta}{6 \gamma^2 \alpha^{\gamma}}, \qquad (2.12.4c)$$

where  $\beta = 6\gamma^2 r - r_s(\gamma + 1)(2\gamma + 1)$ .

### **Ricci-Tensor:**

$$R_{rr} = \frac{r_s^2 (1 - \gamma^2)}{2\gamma^2 r^4 \alpha^2}. (2.12.5)$$

The Ricci scalar reads

$$\mathscr{R} = \frac{r_s^2 (1 - \gamma^2) \alpha^{\gamma - 2}}{2\gamma^2 r^4},\tag{2.12.6}$$

whereas the Kretschmann scalar is given by

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{r_s^2 \alpha^{2\gamma - 4}}{4\gamma^4 r^8} \left[ 7\gamma^2 r_s^2 (2 + \gamma^2) + 48\gamma^4 r^2 \alpha + 8\gamma r_s (2\gamma^2 + 1)(r_s - 2\gamma r) + 3r_s^2 \right]. \tag{2.12.7}$$

### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\alpha^{\gamma/2}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \alpha^{\gamma/2} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{\alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.12.8}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c\alpha^{\gamma/2}dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\alpha^{\gamma/2}}, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = \frac{r}{\alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}}d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \frac{r\sin\vartheta}{\alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}}d\varphi. \tag{2.12.9}$$

### Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(t)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2} \alpha^{(\gamma - 2)/2}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)}{2\gamma r^2} \alpha^{(\gamma - 2)/2}, \tag{2.12.10a}$$

$$\gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r} \alpha^{(\gamma - 1)/2}. \tag{2.12.10b}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{4\gamma r - r_s(2+\gamma)}{2\gamma r^2} \alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r} \alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}. \tag{2.12.11}$$

### Structure coefficients:

$$c_{(t)(r)}^{(t)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^2} \alpha^{(\gamma - 2)/2}, \qquad c_{(r)(\vartheta)}^{(\vartheta)} = c_{(r)(\varphi)}^{(\varphi)} = -\frac{2\gamma r - r_s(\gamma + 1)}{2\gamma r^2} \alpha^{(\gamma - 2)/2}, \tag{2.12.12a}$$

$$c_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)}^{(\varphi)} = -\frac{\cot \vartheta}{r} \alpha^{(\gamma-1)/2}.$$
 (2.12.12b)

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields the effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\alpha^{\gamma} \left(\frac{h^2 \alpha^{\gamma - 1}}{r^2} - \kappa c^2\right) \tag{2.12.13}$$

with the constants of motion  $h = r^2 \alpha^{-\gamma+1} \dot{\phi}$  and  $k = \alpha^{\gamma} c^2 \dot{t}$ . For null geodesics  $(\kappa = 0)$  and  $\gamma > \frac{1}{2}$ , there is an extremum at

$$r = r_s \frac{1 + 2\gamma}{2\gamma}.\tag{2.12.14}$$

### **Embedding:**

The embedding function z = z(r) for  $r \in [r_s(\gamma + 1)^2/(4\gamma^2), \infty)$  follows from

$$\frac{dz}{dr} = \sqrt{\frac{r_s \left[4r\gamma^2 - r_s(1+\gamma)^2\right]}{4r^2\gamma^2\alpha^{\gamma+1}}}.$$
(2.12.15)

However, the analytic solution

$$z(r) = 2\sqrt{r_s r} F_1\left(-\frac{1}{2}; \frac{\gamma+1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}; \frac{1}{2}, \frac{r_s}{r\gamma}, \frac{r_s(1+\gamma)^2}{4r\gamma^2}\right) - \frac{2\pi\gamma}{\gamma+1} {}_2F_1\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{\gamma+1}{2}; 1; \frac{4\gamma}{(\gamma+1)^2}\right), \tag{2.12.16}$$

depends on the Appell- $F_1$ - and the Hypergeometric- ${}_2F_1$ -function.

#### 2.13 Kasner

The Kasner spacetime in Cartesian coordinates (t, x, y, z) is represented by the line element MTW73,

$$ds^{2} = -dt^{2} + t^{2p_{1}}dx^{2} + t^{2p_{2}}dy^{2} + t^{2p_{3}}tz^{2},$$
(2.13.1)

where  $p_1, p_2, p_3$  have to fulfill the two conditions

$$p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 1$$
 and  $p_1^2 + p_2^2 + p_3^2 = 1$ . (2.13.2)

These two conditions can also be represented by the Khalatnikov-Lifshitz parameter *u* with

$$p_1 = -\frac{u}{1+u+u^2}, \qquad p_2 = \frac{1+u}{1+u+u^2}, \qquad p_3 = \frac{u(1+u)}{1+u+u^2}.$$
 (2.13.3)

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{tx}^{x} = \frac{p_1}{t}, \qquad \Gamma_{ty}^{y} = \frac{p_2}{t}, \qquad \Gamma_{tz}^{z} = \frac{p_3}{t}, \qquad (2.13.4a)$$

$$\Gamma_{xx}^{t} = \frac{p_1 t^{2p_1}}{t}, \qquad \Gamma_{yy}^{t} = \frac{p_2 t^{2p_2}}{t}, \qquad \Gamma_{zz}^{t} = \frac{p_3 t^{2p_3}}{t}.$$
 (2.13.4b)

$$\Gamma^{x}_{tx,t} = -\frac{p_1}{t^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{t}_{ty,t} = -\frac{p_2}{t^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{z}_{tz,t} = -\frac{p_3}{t^2}, \qquad (2.13.5a)$$

$$\Gamma^{t}_{xx,t} = p_1(2p_1 - 1)t^{2p_1 - 2}, \qquad \Gamma^{t}_{yy,t} = p_2(2p_2 - 1)t^{2p_2 - 2}, \qquad \Gamma^{t}_{zz,t} = p_3(2p_3 - 1)t^{2p_3 - 2}. \qquad (2.13.5b)$$

$$\Gamma'_{xx,t} = p_1(2p_1 - 1)t^{2p_1 - 2}, \qquad \Gamma'_{yy,t} = p_2(2p_2 - 1)t^{2p_2 - 2}, \qquad \Gamma'_{zz,t} = p_3(2p_3 - 1)t^{2p_3 - 2}.$$
 (2.13.5b)

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{txtx} = \frac{p_1(1-p_1)t^{2p_1}}{t^2}, \qquad R_{tyty} = \frac{p_2(1-p_2)t^{2p_2}}{t^2}, \qquad R_{tztz} = \frac{p_3(1-p_3)t^{2p_3}}{t^2},$$

$$R_{xyxy} = \frac{p_1p_2t^{2p_1}t^{2p_2}}{t^2}, \qquad R_{xzxz} = \frac{p_1p_3t^{2p_1}t^{2p_3}}{t^2}, \qquad R_{yzyz} = \frac{p_2p_3t^{2p_2}t^{2p_3}}{t^2}.$$
(2.13.6b)

$$R_{xyxy} = \frac{p_1 p_2 t^{2p_1} t^{2p_2}}{t^2}, \qquad R_{xzxz} = \frac{p_1 p_3 t^{2p_1} t^{2p_3}}{t^2}, \qquad R_{yzyz} = \frac{p_2 p_3 t^{2p_2} t^{2p_3}}{t^2}.$$
 (2.13.6b)

The Ricci tensor as well as the Ricci scalar vanish identically. The Kretschmann scalar reads

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{4}{t^4} \left( p_1^2 - 2p_1^3 + p_1^4 + p_2^2 - 2p_2^3 + p_2^4 + p_1^2 p_3^2 + p_3^2 - 2p_3^3 + p_3^4 + p_1^2 p_2^2 + p_2^2 p_3^2 \right)$$
(2.13.7a)

$$=\frac{16u^2(1+u)^2}{t^4(1+u+u^2)^3}. (2.13.7b)$$

### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(x)} = t^{-p_1} \partial_x, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(y)} = t^{-p_2} \partial_y, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = t^{-p_3} \partial_z.$$
 (2.13.8)

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = dt, \qquad \theta^{(x)} = t^{p_1} dx, \qquad \theta^{(y)} = t^{p_2} dy, \qquad \theta^{(z)} = t^{p_3} dz.$$
 (2.13.9)

### Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(t)(r)(r)} = \frac{p_1}{t}, \qquad \gamma_{(t)(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = \frac{p_2}{t}, \qquad \gamma_{(t)(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{p_3}{t}. \tag{2.13.10}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = -\frac{1}{t}.\tag{2.13.11}$$

### Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(x)(y)(x)} = \frac{p_1(1-p_1)}{t^2}, \qquad R_{(t)(y)(t)(y)} = \frac{p_2(1-p_2)}{t^2}, \qquad R_{(t)(z)(t)(z)} = \frac{p_3(1-p_3)}{t^2}, \tag{2.13.12a}$$

$$R_{(x)(y)(x)(y)} = \frac{p_1 p_2}{t^2},$$
  $R_{(x)(z)(x)(z)} = \frac{p_1 p_3}{t^2},$   $R_{(y)(z)(y)(z)} = \frac{p_2 p_3}{t^2}.$  (2.13.12b)

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### 2.14 Kerr

The Kerr spacetime, found by Roy Kerr in 1963[Ker63], describes a rotating black hole.

### 2.14.1 Boyer-Lindquist coordinates

The Kerr metric in Boyer-Lindquist coordinates

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}r}{\Sigma}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} - \frac{2r_{s}ar\sin^{2}\vartheta}{\Sigma}cdt\,d\varphi + \frac{\Sigma}{\Delta}dr^{2} + \Sigma d\vartheta^{2} + \left(r^{2} + a^{2} + \frac{r_{s}a^{2}r\sin^{2}\vartheta}{\Sigma}\right)\sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2},$$
(2.14.1)

with  $\Sigma = r^2 + a^2 \cos^2 \vartheta$ ,  $\Delta = r^2 - r_s r + a^2$ , and  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$ , is taken from Bardeen[BPT72]. M is the mass and a is the angular momentum per unit mass of the black hole. The contravariant form of the metric reads

$$\partial_s^2 = -\frac{A}{c^2 \Sigma \Delta} \partial_t^2 - \frac{2r_s ar}{c \Sigma \Delta} \partial_t \partial_{\varphi} + \frac{\Delta}{\Sigma} \partial_r^2 + \frac{1}{\Sigma} \partial_{\vartheta}^2 + \frac{\Delta - a^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{\Sigma \Delta \sin^2 \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}^2, \tag{2.14.2}$$

where  $A = (r^2 + a^2)^2 - a^2 \Delta \sin^2 \vartheta = (r^2 + a^2) \Sigma + r_s a^2 r \sin^2 \vartheta$ .

The event horizon  $r_+$  is defined by the outer root of  $\Delta$ ,

$$r_{+} = \frac{r_{s}}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{r_{s}^{2}}{4} - a^{2}},\tag{2.14.3}$$

whereas the outer boundary  $r_0$  of the ergosphere follows from the outer root of  $\Sigma - r_s r$ ,

$$r_0 = \frac{r_s}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{r_s^2}{4} - a^2 \cos^2 \vartheta},\tag{2.14.4}$$

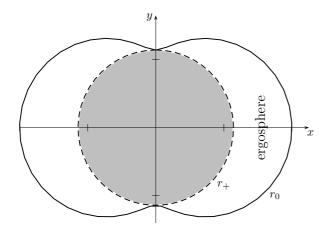


Figure 2.1: Ergosphere and horizon (dashed circle) for  $a = 0.99 \frac{r_s}{2}$ .

### Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{c^{2} r_{s} \Delta(r^{2} - a^{2} \cos^{2} \vartheta)}{2\Sigma^{3}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tt}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{c^{2} r_{s} a^{2} r \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta}{\Sigma^{3}}, \qquad (2.14.5a)$$

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{r_{s}(r^{2} + a^{2})(r^{2} - a^{2}\cos^{2}\vartheta)}{2\Sigma^{2}\Delta}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{\varphi} = \frac{cr_{s}a(r^{2} - a^{2}\cos^{2}\vartheta)}{2\Sigma^{2}\Delta}, \qquad (2.14.5b)$$

$$\Gamma_{t\vartheta}' = -\frac{r_s a^2 r \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta}{\Sigma^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{\varphi} = -\frac{c r_s a r \cot \vartheta}{\Sigma^2},$$
 (2.14.5c)

$$\Gamma^{r}_{t\varphi} = -\frac{c\Delta r_s a \sin^2 \vartheta (r^2 - a^2 \cos^2 \vartheta)}{2\Sigma^3}, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{t\varphi} = \frac{c r_s a r (r^2 + a^2) \sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta}{\Sigma^3}, \qquad (2.14.5d)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^{r} = \frac{2ra^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta - r_{s}(r^{2} - a^{2}\cos^{2}\vartheta)}{2\Sigma\Delta}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{\vartheta} = \frac{a^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma\Delta}, \tag{2.14.5e}$$

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{r} = -\frac{a^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{r}{\Sigma},$$
(2.14.5f)

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -\frac{r\Delta}{\Sigma}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{a^{2}\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma}, \qquad (2.14.5g)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{\Sigma^2} \left[ \Sigma^2 + r_s a^2 r \sin^2\vartheta \right], \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{r_s a^3 r \sin^3\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{c\Sigma^2}, \qquad (2.14.5h)$$

$$\Gamma'_{r\varphi} = \frac{r_s a \sin^2 \vartheta \left[ a^2 \cos^2 \vartheta (a^2 - r^2) - r^2 (a^2 + 3r^2) \right]}{2c \Sigma^2 \Delta},\tag{2.14.5i}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{2r\Sigma^2 + r_s \left[ a^4 \sin^2 \vartheta \cos^2 \vartheta - r^2 (\Sigma + r^2 + a^2) \right]}{2\Sigma^2 \Delta},\tag{2.14.5j}$$

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{\Delta \sin^{2}\vartheta}{2\Sigma^{3}} \left[ -2r\Sigma^{2} + r_{s}a^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta(r^{2} - a^{2}\cos^{2}\vartheta) \right], \tag{2.14.5k}$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma^3} \left[ A\Sigma + (r^2 + a^2) r_s a^2 r \sin^2\vartheta \right], \tag{2.14.5l}$$

### General local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \Gamma\left(\partial_t + \zeta \partial_{\varphi}\right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma}} \partial_r,$$
 (2.14.6a)

$$\mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma}} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \frac{\Gamma}{c} \left( \mp \frac{g_{t\phi} + \zeta g_{\phi\phi}}{\sqrt{\Delta} \sin \vartheta} \partial_t \pm \frac{g_{tt} + \zeta g_{t\phi}}{\sqrt{\Delta} \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\phi} \right), \qquad (2.14.6b)$$

where  $-\Gamma^{-2} = g_{tt} + 2\zeta g_{t\varphi} + \zeta^2 g_{\varphi\varphi}$ ,

$$\Gamma^{-2} = \left(1 - \frac{r_s r}{\Sigma}\right) + \frac{2r_s a r \sin^2 \vartheta}{\Sigma} \frac{\zeta}{c} - \left(r^2 + a^2 + \frac{r_s a^2 r \sin^2 \vartheta}{\Sigma}\right) \frac{\zeta^2}{c^2} \sin^2 \vartheta \tag{2.14.7}$$

Non-rotating local tetrad ( $\zeta = \omega$ ):

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\Sigma\Delta}} \left( \frac{1}{c} \partial_t + \omega \partial_{\varphi} \right), \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma}} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma}} \partial_{\vartheta}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma}{A}} \frac{1}{\sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}, \tag{2.14.8}$$

where  $\omega = -g_{t\varphi}/g_{\varphi\varphi} = r_s ar/A$ .

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(2)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma \Delta}{A}} c \, dt, \quad \theta^{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma}{\Delta}} dr, \quad \theta^{(2)} = \sqrt{\Sigma} d\vartheta, \quad \theta^{(3)} = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\Sigma}} \sin\vartheta \left( d\varphi - \omega d\varphi \right). \tag{2.14.9}$$

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The relation between the constants of motion E, L, Q, and  $\mu$  (defined in Bardeen[BPT72]) and the initial direction v, compare Sec. (1.4.5), with respect to the LNRF reads (c = 1)

$$v^{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{A}{\Sigma \Delta}} E - \frac{r_s ra}{\sqrt{A \Sigma \Delta}} L, \qquad v^{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma}} p_r, \qquad (2.14.10a)$$

$$v^{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma}} \sqrt{Q - \cos^2 \vartheta \left[ a^2 \left( \mu^2 - E^2 \right) + \frac{L^2}{\sin^2 \vartheta} \right]}, \qquad v^{(3)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma}{A}} \frac{L}{\sin \vartheta}. \tag{2.14.10b}$$

Static local tetrad ( $\zeta = 0$ ):

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{1 - r_s r/\Sigma}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma}} \partial_{\vartheta}, \tag{2.14.11a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \pm \frac{r_s a r \sin \vartheta}{c \sqrt{1 - r_s r / \Sigma} \sqrt{\Delta \Sigma}} \partial_t \mp \frac{\sqrt{1 - r_s r / \Sigma}}{\sqrt{\Delta} \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.14.11b}$$

#### Photon orbits:

The direct(-) and retrograd(+) photon orbits have radius

$$r_{\text{po}} = r_s \left[ 1 + \cos\left(\frac{2}{3}\arccos\frac{\mp 2a}{r_s}\right) \right]. \tag{2.14.12}$$

### Marginally stable timelike circular orbits

are defined via

$$r_{\rm ms} = \frac{r_s}{2} \left( 3 + Z_2 \mp \sqrt{(3 - Z_1)(2 + Z_1 + 2Z_2)} \right),$$
 (2.14.13)

where

$$Z_1 = 1 + \left(1 - \frac{4a^2}{r_s^2}\right)^{1/3} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{2a}{r_s}\right)^{1/3} + \left(1 - \frac{2a}{r_s}\right)^{1/3} \right], \tag{2.14.14a}$$

$$Z_2 = \sqrt{\frac{12a^2}{r_s^2} + Z_1^2}. (2.14.14b)$$

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = 0 \tag{2.14.15}$$

with the effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2r^3} \left\{ h^2(r - r_s) + 2\frac{ahk}{c}r_s - \frac{k^2}{c^2} \left[ r^3 + a^2(r + r_s) \right] \right\} - \frac{\kappa c^2 \Delta}{r^2}$$
 (2.14.16)

and the constants of motion

$$k = \left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r}\right)c^2\dot{t} + \frac{cr_s a}{r}\dot{\phi}, \qquad h = \left(r^2 + a^2 + \frac{r_s a^2}{r}\right)\dot{\phi} - \frac{cr_s a}{r}\dot{t}.$$
 (2.14.17)

### Further reading:

Boyer and Lindquist[BL67], Wilkins[Wil72], Brill[BC66].

#### 2.15 Kottler spacetime

The Kottler spacetime is represented in spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$  by the line element [Per04]

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^{2}}{3}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} + \frac{1}{1 - r_{s}/r - \Lambda r^{2}/3}dr^{2} + r^{2}d\Omega^{2},$$
(2.15.1)

where  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$  is the Schwarzschild radius, G is Newton's constant, c is the speed of light, M is the mass of the black hole, and  $\Lambda$  is the cosmological constant. If  $\Lambda > 0$  the metric is also known as Schwarzschild-deSitter metric, whereas if  $\Lambda < 0$  it is called Schwarzschild-anti-deSitter. For the following, we define the two abbreviations

$$\alpha = 1 - \frac{r_s}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}$$
 and  $\beta = \frac{r_s}{r} - \frac{2\Lambda}{3}r^2$ . (2.15.2)

The critical points of the Kottler metric follow from the roots of the cubic equation  $\alpha = 0$ . These can be found by means of the parameters  $p = -1/\Lambda$  and  $q = 3r_s/(2\Lambda)$ . If  $\Lambda < 0$ , we have only one real root

$$r_1 = \frac{2}{\sqrt{-\Lambda}} \sinh \left[ \frac{1}{3} \operatorname{arsinh} \left( \frac{3r_s}{2} \sqrt{-\Lambda} \right) \right]. \tag{2.15.3}$$

If  $\Lambda > 0$ , we have to distinguish whether  $D \equiv q^2 + p^3 = 9r_s^2/(4\Lambda^2) - \Lambda^{-3}$  is positive or negative. If D > 0, there is no real positive root. For D < 0, the two real positive roots read

$$r_{\pm} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \cos \left[ \frac{\pi}{3} \pm \frac{1}{3} \arccos \left( \frac{3r_s}{2} \sqrt{\Lambda} \right) \right]$$
 (2.15.4)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{c^{2}\alpha\beta}{2r}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{\beta}{2r\alpha}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{\beta}{2r\alpha},$$
(2.15.5a)

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -\alpha r,$$
 (2.15.5b)

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\alpha r \sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.15.5c)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2 \left(3r_s + \Lambda r^3\right)}{3r^3}, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{1}{2}c^2 \alpha \beta, \tag{2.15.6a}$$

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{1}{2}c^2\alpha\beta\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{\beta}{2\alpha},$$
 (2.15.6b)

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{1}{2}c^{2}\alpha\beta\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{\beta}{2\alpha},$$

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{\beta}{2\alpha}\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = r\left(r_{s} + \frac{\Lambda r^{3}}{3}\right)\sin^{2}\vartheta.$$
(2.15.6b)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -c^2 \alpha \Lambda, \qquad R_{rr} = \frac{\Lambda}{\alpha}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \Lambda r^2, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \Lambda r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.15.7)

The Ricci scalar and the Kretschmann scalar read

$$\mathcal{R} = 4\Lambda, \qquad \mathcal{H} = 12\frac{r_s^2}{r^6} + \frac{8\Lambda^2}{3}.$$
 (2.15.8)

**Weyl-Tensor:** 

$$C_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2 r_s}{r^3}, \qquad C_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{c^2 \alpha r_s}{2r}, \qquad C_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{c^2 \alpha r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{2r},$$
 (2.15.9a)

$$C_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{r_s}{2r\alpha}, \qquad C_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{2r\alpha}, \qquad C_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = rr_s \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.15.9b)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{\alpha}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{\alpha} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.15.10}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c\sqrt{\alpha} dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{\alpha}}, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = r d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r \sin\vartheta d\varphi.$$
 (2.15.11)

### Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(t)} = \frac{r_s - \frac{2}{3}\Lambda r^3}{2r^2\sqrt{\alpha}}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{\sqrt{\alpha}}{r}, \quad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.15.12}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{4r - 3r_s - 2\Lambda r^3}{2r^2\sqrt{\alpha}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{r}.$$
(2.15.13)

### Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\Lambda r^3 + 3r_s}{3r^3},$$
(2.15.14a)

$$R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{3r_s - 2\Lambda r^3}{6r^3}.$$
 (2.15.14b)

### Weyl-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$C_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -C_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s}{r^3},$$
 (2.15.15a)

$$C_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = C_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -C_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -C_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s}{2r^3}.$$
(2.15.15b)

### **Embedding:**

The embedding function follows from the numerical integration of

$$\frac{dz}{dr} = \sqrt{\frac{r_s/r + \Lambda r^2/3}{1 - r_s/r - \Lambda r^2/3}}.$$
(2.15.16)

#### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism[Rin01] yields the effective potential

$$V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 - \frac{r_s}{r} - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3} \right) \left( \frac{h^2}{r^2} - \kappa c^2 \right) \tag{2.15.17}$$

with the constants of motion  $k = (1 - r_s/r - \Lambda r^2/3)c^2t$ ,  $h = r^2\dot{\phi}$ , and  $\kappa$  as in Eq. (1.8.2).

As in the Schwarzschild metric, the effective potential has only one extremum for null geodesics, the so called photon orbit at  $r = \frac{3}{2}r_s$ . For timelike geodesics, however, we have

$$\frac{dV_{\text{eff}}}{dr} = \frac{h^2(-6r + 9r_s) + c^2r^2(3r_s - 2r^3\Lambda)}{3r^4} \stackrel{!}{=} 0.$$
 (2.15.18)

This polynomial of fifth order might have up to five extrema.

### **Further reading:**

Kottler[Kot18], Weyl[Wey19], Hackmann[HL08], Cruz[COV05].

### 2.16 Morris-Thorne

The most simple wormhole geometry is represented by the metric of Morris and Thorne[MT88],

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + dl^{2} + (b_{0}^{2} + l^{2}) \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta \, d\varphi^{2} \right), \tag{2.16.1}$$

where  $b_0$  is the throat radius and l is the proper radial coordinate; and  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, l \in \mathbb{R}, \vartheta \in (0, \pi), \varphi \in [0, 2\pi)\}$ . Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{l\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{l}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{l\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{l}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{l} = -l, \tag{2.16.2a}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{l}_{\varphi\varphi} = -l\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.16.2b)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{l\vartheta,l} = -\frac{l^2 - b_0^2}{(b_0^2 + l^2)^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{l\varphi,l} = -\frac{l^2 - b_0^2}{(b_0^2 + l^2)^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{l}_{\vartheta\vartheta,l} = -1, \tag{2.16.3a}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi,\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{\sin^2\vartheta}, \qquad \Gamma^{l}_{\varphi\varphi,l} = -\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{l}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -l\sin(2\vartheta), \qquad (2.16.3b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi,\vartheta} = -\cos(2\vartheta). \tag{2.16.3c}$$

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{l\vartheta l\vartheta} = -\frac{b_0^2}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \quad R_{l\varphi l\varphi} = -\frac{b_0^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \quad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = b_0^2 \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.16.4)

Ricci tensor, Ricci and Kretschmann scalar:

$$R_{ll} = -2\frac{b_0^2}{\left(b_0^2 + l^2\right)^2}, \qquad \mathcal{R} = -2\frac{b_0^2}{\left(b_0^2 + l^2\right)^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = \frac{12b_0^4}{\left(b_0^2 + l^2\right)^4}.$$
 (2.16.5)

Weyl-Tensor:

$$C_{tltl} = -\frac{2}{3} \frac{c^2 b_0^2}{(b_0^2 + l^2)^2}, \qquad C_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{c^2 b_0^2}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \qquad C_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{c^2 b_0^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \tag{2.16.6a}$$

$$C_{l\vartheta l\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{b_0^2}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \qquad C_{l\varphi l\varphi} = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{b_0^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \quad C_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{2}{3} b_0^2 \sin^2 \vartheta.$$
 (2.16.6b)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(l)} = \partial_l, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b_0^2 + l^2}}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{b_0^2 + l^2}\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.16.7}$$

Dual tetrad

$$\theta^{(t)} = c dt, \qquad \theta^{(l)} = dl, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = \sqrt{b_0^2 + l^2} d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \sqrt{b_0^2 + l^2} \sin \vartheta d\varphi.$$
 (2.16.8)

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{l}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \qquad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{\sqrt{b_0^2 + l^2}}.$$
(2.16.9)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{2l}{b_0^2 + l^2}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{\sqrt{b_0^2 + l^2}}.$$
(2.16.10)

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Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(l)(\vartheta)(l)(\vartheta)} = R_{(l)(\varphi)(l)(\varphi)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{b_0^2}{\left(b_0^2 + l^2\right)^2}.$$
 (2.16.11)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(l)(l)} = -\frac{2b_0^2}{\left(b_0^2 + l^2\right)^2}. (2.16.12)$$

Weyl-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$C_{(t)(l)(t)(l)} = -C_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{2b_0^2}{3(b_0^2 + l^2)^2},$$
(2.16.13a)

$$C_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = C_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -C_{(t)(\vartheta)(l)(\vartheta)} = -C_{(l)(\varphi)(l)(\varphi)} = \frac{b_0^2}{3(b_0^2 + l^2)^2}.$$
 (2.16.13b)

### **Embedding:**

The embedding function reads

$$z(r) = \pm b_0 \ln \left[ \frac{r}{b_0} + \sqrt{\left(\frac{r}{b_0}\right)^2 - 1} \right]$$
 (2.16.14)

with  $r^2 = b_0^2 + l^2$ .

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{l}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{k^2}{c^2}, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{h^2}{b_0^2 + l^2} - \kappa c^2\right),\tag{2.16.15}$$

with the constants of motion  $k = c^2 \dot{t}$  and  $h = (b_0^2 + l^2) \dot{\phi}$ . The shape of the effective potential  $V_{\rm eff}$  is independent of the geodesic type. The maximum of the effective potential is located at l = 0.

A geodesic that starts at  $l = l_i$  with direction  $\mathbf{y} = \pm \mathbf{e}_{(t)} + \cos \xi \mathbf{e}_{(t)} + \sin \xi \mathbf{e}_{(\phi)}$  approaches the wormhole throat asymptotically for  $\xi = \xi_{\text{crit}}$  with

$$\xi_{\text{crit}} = \arcsin \frac{b_0}{\sqrt{b_0^2 + l_i^2}}.$$
(2.16.16)

This critical angle is independent of the type of the geodesic.

### Further reading:

Ellis[Ell73], Visser[Vis95], Müller[Mül04, Mül08a]

## 2.17 Oppenheimer-Snyder collapse

### 2.17.1 Outer metric

The metric of the outer spacetime,  $R > R_b$ , in comoving coordinates  $(\tau, R, \vartheta, \varphi)$  with (c = 1) is given by

$$ds^{2} = -d\tau^{2} + \frac{R}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_{s}}\tau\right)^{2/3}}dR^{2} + \left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_{s}}\tau\right)^{4/3}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right). \tag{2.17.1}$$

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{\tau R}^{R} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sqrt{r_s}}{R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau}, \qquad \Gamma_{\tau \vartheta}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{\sqrt{r_s}}{R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau}, \qquad (2.17.2a)$$

$$\Gamma_{\tau\varphi}^{\varphi} = -\frac{\sqrt{r_s}}{R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau}, \qquad \Gamma_{RR}^{\tau} = \frac{R\sqrt{r_s}}{2\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{5/3}}, \qquad (2.17.2b)$$

$$\Gamma_{RR}^{R} = -\frac{3\sqrt{r_s}\tau}{4(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau)R}, \qquad \Gamma_{R\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{\sqrt{R}}{R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau}, \qquad (2.17.2c)$$

$$\Gamma_{R\phi}^{\phi} = \frac{\sqrt{R}}{R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{\tau} = -\sqrt{r_s} \left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{1/3}, \qquad (2.17.2d)$$

$$\Gamma^{R}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\frac{R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau}{\sqrt{R}}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad (2.17.2e)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\tau} = -\sqrt{r_s} \left( R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau \right)^{1/3} \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta, \tag{2.17.2f}$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{R} = -\frac{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)\sin^2\vartheta}{\sqrt{R}}.\tag{2.17.2g}$$

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{\tau R \tau R} = -\frac{R r_s}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\,\tau\right)^{8/3}}, \qquad R_{\tau \vartheta \tau \vartheta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\,\tau\right)^{2/3}}, \tag{2.17.3a}$$

$$R_{\tau \varphi \tau \varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau\right)^{2/3}}, \qquad R_{R\vartheta R\vartheta} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{R r_s}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau\right)^{4/3}}, \tag{2.17.3b}$$

$$R_{R\varphi R\varphi} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{R r_s \sin^2 \vartheta}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau\right)^{4/3}}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} \tau\right)^{2/3} r_s \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.17.3c}$$

The Ricci tensor and the Ricci scalar vanish identically.

### Kretschmann scalar:

$$\mathcal{K} = 12 \frac{r_s^2}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\,\tau\right)^4}.\tag{2.17.4}$$

### Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\tau)} = \partial_{\tau}, \qquad \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(R)} = \frac{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{1/3}}{\sqrt{R}}\partial_{R}, \qquad (2.17.5a)$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{2/3}}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{2/3}\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.17.5b}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\tau)(R)(R)} = -\frac{\sqrt{r_s}}{2R^{3/2} - 3\sqrt{r_s}\tau}, \quad \gamma_{(\tau)(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\tau)(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{2\sqrt{r_s}}{2R^{3/2} - 3\sqrt{r_s}\tau}, \tag{2.17.6a}$$

$$\gamma_{(R)(\phi)(\phi)} = \gamma_{(R)(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = -\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{-2/3}.$$
(2.17.6b)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(\tau)} = -\frac{3\sqrt{r_s}}{2R^{3/2} - 3\sqrt{r_s}\tau}, \quad \gamma_{(R)} = 2\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{-2/3}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \cot\vartheta\left(R^{3/2} - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^{-2/3}. \quad (2.17.7)$$

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\tau)(R)(\tau)(R)} = -R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{4r_s}{(2R^{3/2} - 3\sqrt{r_s}\tau)^2},$$
(2.17.8a)

$$R_{(\tau)(\vartheta)(\tau)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\tau)(\varphi)(\tau)(\varphi)} = -R_{(R)(\vartheta)(R)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(R)(\varphi)(R)(\varphi)} = \frac{2r_s}{\left(2R^{3/2} - 3\sqrt{r_s}\tau\right)^2}.$$
 (2.17.8b)

The Ricci tensor with respect to the local tetrad vanishes identically.

### 2.17.2 Inner metric

The metric of the inside,  $R \leq R_b$ , reads

$$ds^{2} = -d\tau^{2} + \left(1 - \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{r_{s}}R_{b}^{-3/2}\tau\right)^{4/3} \left[dR^{2} + R^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right)\right].$$
(2.17.9)

For the following components, we define

$$A_{\text{Oin}} := 1 - \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{r_s} R_b^{-3/2} \tau. \tag{2.17.10}$$

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{\tau R}^{R} = -\frac{\sqrt{r_{s}}R_{b}^{-3/2}}{A_{\text{Oin}}}, \qquad \Gamma_{\tau \vartheta}^{\vartheta} = -\frac{\sqrt{r_{s}}R_{b}^{-3/2}}{A_{\text{Oin}}}, \qquad \Gamma_{\tau \varphi}^{\varphi} = -\frac{\sqrt{r_{s}}R_{b}^{-3/2}}{A_{\text{Oin}}}, \qquad (2.17.11a)$$

$$\Gamma_{RR}^{\tau} = -A_{\text{Oin}}^{1/3} \sqrt{r_s} R_b^{-3/2}, \quad \Gamma_{R\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{R\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{R},$$
 (2.17.11b)

$$\Gamma_{RR}^{\tau} = -A_{\text{Oin}}^{1/3} \sqrt{r_s} R_b^{-3/2}, \quad \Gamma_{R\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{R}, \qquad \Gamma_{R\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{R}, \qquad (2.17.11b)$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{R} = -R, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^{\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{\tau} = -A_{\text{Oin}}^{1/3} \sqrt{r_s} R_b^{-3/2} R^2, \qquad (2.17.11c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{R} = -R \sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \quad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\tau} = -A_{\text{Oin}}^{1/3} \sqrt{r_s} R_b^{-3/2} R^2 \sin^2\vartheta. \qquad (2.17.11d)$$

$$\Gamma^{R}_{\varphi\varphi} = -R\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{\tau}_{\varphi\varphi} = -A^{1/3}_{Oin}\sqrt{r_{s}}R_{b}^{-3/2}R^{2}\sin^{2}\vartheta. \tag{2.17.11d}$$

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{\tau R \tau R} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}, \qquad R_{\tau \vartheta \tau \vartheta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s R^2}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}, \qquad R_{\tau \varphi \tau \varphi} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{r_s R^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}, \qquad (2.17.12a)$$

$$R_{R\phi R\phi} = \frac{r_s R^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{R_b^3} A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}, \qquad R_{R\vartheta R\vartheta} = \frac{r_s R^2}{R_b^3} A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{r_s R^4 \sin^2 \vartheta}{R_b^3} A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}.$$
(2.17.12b)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{\tau\tau} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{r_s}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^2}, \qquad R_{RR} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{r_s}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{r_s R^2}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{3}{2} \frac{r_s R^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}. \tag{2.17.13}$$

The Ricci and Kretschmann scalars read:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{3r_s}{R_b^3 A_{\text{Oin}}^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 15 \frac{r_s^2}{R_b^6 A_{\text{Oin}}^4}.$$
 (2.17.14)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\tau)} = \partial_{\tau}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(R)} = \frac{1}{A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}} \partial_{R}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{RA_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{A_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3} R \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.17.15}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(\tau)(R)(R)} = \gamma_{(\tau)(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\tau)(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{\sqrt{r_s} R_b^{-3/2}}{A_{\text{Oin}}},$$
(2.17.16a)

$$\gamma_{(R)(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(R)(\varphi)(\varphi)} = -\frac{1}{RA_{C}^{2/3}},$$
(2.17.16b)

$$\gamma_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\varphi)} = -\frac{\cot \vartheta}{RA_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}.$$
(2.17.16c)

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(\tau)} = -\frac{3\sqrt{r_s}R_b^{-3/2}}{A_{\text{Oin}}}, \qquad \gamma_{(R)} = \frac{2}{RA_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot\vartheta}{RA_{\text{Oin}}^{2/3}}.$$
(2.17.17)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\tau)(R)(\tau)(R)} = R_{(\tau)(\vartheta)(\tau)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\tau)(\varphi)(\tau)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s R_b^{-3}}{2A_{\text{Oin}}^2},$$
(2.17.18a)

$$R_{(R)(\vartheta)(R)(\vartheta)} = R_{(R)(\varphi)(R)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s R_b^{-3}}{A_{\text{Oin}}^2}.$$
 (2.17.18b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(\tau)(\tau)} = R_{(R)(R)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{3r_s R_b^{-3}}{2A_{\text{Oir}}^2}.$$
(2.17.19)

### Further reading:

Oppenheimer and Snyder[OS39].

# 2.18 Petrov-Type D – Levi-Civita spacetimes

The Petrov type D static vacuum spacetimes AI-C are taken from Stephani et al.[SKM+03], Sec. 18.6, with the coordinate and parameter ranges given in "Exact solutions of the gravitational field equations" by Ehlers and Kundt [EK62].

### 2.18.1 Case AI

In spherical coordinates,  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$ , the metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = r^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) + \frac{r}{r-b} dr^{2} - \frac{r-b}{r} dt^{2}.$$
 (2.18.1)

This is the well known Schwarzschild solution if  $b = r_s$ , cf. Eq. (2.2.1). Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $0 < \vartheta < \pi$ ,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ ,  $(0 < b < r) \lor (b < 0 < r)$ .

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{r}{r-b}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{\frac{r-b}{r}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.18.2}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{r-b}{r}} dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \sqrt{\frac{r}{r-b}} dr, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = r d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r \sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.18.3}$$

Effective potential:

With the  $\hat{H}$ amilton-Jacobi formalism it is possible to obtain an effective potential fulfilling  $\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2}V_{\rm eff}(r) = \frac{1}{2}C_0^2$  with

$$V_{\text{eff}}(r) = K \frac{r - b}{r^3} - \kappa \frac{r - b}{r} \tag{2.18.4}$$

and the constants of motion

$$C_0^2 = t^2 \left(\frac{r-b}{r}\right)^2,$$
 (2.18.5a)

$$K = \dot{\vartheta}^2 r^4 + \dot{\varphi}^2 r^4 \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.18.5b}$$

### 2.18.2 Case AII

In cylindrical coordinates, the metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = z^{2} \left( dr^{2} + \sinh^{2} r d\varphi^{2} \right) + \frac{z}{b-z} dz^{2} - \frac{b-z}{z} dt^{2}.$$
(2.18.6)

Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $0 < r$ ,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ ,  $0 < z < b$ .

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{z}{b-z}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{1}{z} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{z \sinh r} \partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \sqrt{\frac{b-z}{z}} \partial_z. \tag{2.18.7}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{b-z}{z}} dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = z dr, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = z \sinh r d\varphi, \qquad \theta^{(z)} = \sqrt{\frac{z}{b-z}} dz. \tag{2.18.8}$$

### 2.18.3 Case AIII

In cylindrical coordinates, the metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = z^{2} \left( dr^{2} + r^{2} d\varphi^{2} \right) + z dz^{2} - \frac{1}{z} dt^{2}.$$
 (2.18.9)

Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $0 < r$ ,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ ,  $0 < z$ 

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \sqrt{z}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{1}{z}\partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{zr}\partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}}\partial_z.$$
 (2.18.10)

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}}dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = zdr, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = zrd\varphi, \qquad \theta^{(z)} = \sqrt{z}dz. \tag{2.18.11}$$

### 2.18.4 Case BI

In spherical coordinates, the metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = r^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} - \sin^{2}\vartheta dt^{2} \right) + \frac{r}{r - b} dr^{2} + \frac{r - b}{r} d\varphi^{2}.$$
 (2.18.12)

Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $0 < \vartheta < \pi$ ,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ ,  $(0 < b < r) \lor (b < 0 < r)$ .

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{\frac{r - b}{r}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \sqrt{\frac{r}{r - b}} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.18.13}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = r \sin \vartheta \, dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \sqrt{\frac{r}{r-b}} \, dr, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = r \, d\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \sqrt{\frac{r-b}{r}} \, d\varphi.$$
 (2.18.14)

### **Effective potential:**

With the Hamilton-Jacobi formalism, an effective potential for the radial coordinate can be calculated fulfilling  $\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + \frac{1}{2}V_{\rm eff}(r) = \frac{1}{2}C_0^2$  with

$$V_{\text{eff}}(r) = K \frac{r-b}{r^3} - \kappa \frac{r-b}{r}$$
 (2.18.15)

and the constants of motion

$$C_0^2 = \dot{\varphi}^2 \left(\frac{r-b}{r}\right)^2,$$
 (2.18.16a)

$$K = \dot{\vartheta}^2 r^4 - \dot{t}^2 r^4 \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.18.16b}$$

Note that the metric is not spherically symmetric. Particles or light rays fall into one of the poles if they are not moving in the  $\vartheta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  plane.

### 2.18.5 Case BII

In cylindrical coordinates, the metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = z^{2} \left( dr^{2} - \sinh^{2} r dt^{2} \right) + \frac{z}{b-z} dz^{2} + \frac{b-z}{z} d\varphi^{2}.$$
(2.18.17)

Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ ,  $0 < z < b$ ,  $0 < r$ .

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{z \sinh r} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{1}{z} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \sqrt{\frac{z}{b-z}} \partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \sqrt{\frac{b-z}{z}} \partial_z. \tag{2.18.18}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = z \sinh r dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = z dr, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \sqrt{\frac{b-z}{z}} d\varphi, \qquad \theta^{(z)} = \sqrt{\frac{z}{b-z}} dz. \tag{2.18.19}$$

### 2.18.6 Case BIII

In cylindrical coordinates, the metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = z^{2} \left( dr^{2} - r^{2} dt^{2} \right) + z dz^{2} + \frac{1}{z} d\varphi^{2}.$$
 (2.18.20)

Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$t \in \mathbb{R}$$
,  $\varphi \in [0, 2\pi)$ ,  $0 < z$ ,  $0 < r$ .

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{zr}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{1}{z}\partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \sqrt{z}\partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}}\partial_z. \tag{2.18.21}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = zrdt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = zdr, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z}}d\varphi, \qquad \theta^{(z)} = \sqrt{z}dz.$$
 (2.18.22)

### 2.18.7 Case C

The metric is given by the line element

$$ds^{2} = \frac{1}{(x+y)^{2}} \left( \frac{1}{f(x)} dx^{2} + f(x) d\varphi^{2} - \frac{1}{f(-y)} dy^{2} + f(-y) dt^{2} \right)$$
(2.18.23)

with  $f(u) := \pm (u^3 + au + b)$ . Coordinates and parameters are restricted to

$$0 < x + y$$
,  $f(-y) > 0$ ,  $0 > f(x)$ .

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = (x+y)\frac{1}{\sqrt{-y^3 - ay + b}}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(x)} = (x+y)\sqrt{x^3 + ax + b}\partial_x,$$
 (2.18.24a)

$$\mathbf{e}_{(y)} = (x+y)\sqrt{-y^3 - ay + b}\,\partial_y, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = (x+y)\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^3 + ax + b}}\,\partial_{\varphi},$$
 (2.18.24b)

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = \frac{1}{x+y} \sqrt{-y^3 - ay + b} dt, \qquad \theta^{(x)} = \frac{1}{x+y} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^3 + ax + b}} dx, \tag{2.18.25a}$$

$$\theta^{(y)} = \frac{1}{x+y} \frac{1}{\sqrt{-y^3 - ay + b}} dy, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{x+y} \sqrt{x^3 + ax + b} d\varphi, \tag{2.18.25b}$$

A coordinate change can eliminate the linear term in the polynom f generating a quadratic term instead. This brings the line element to the form

$$ds^{2} = \frac{1}{A(x+y)^{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{f(x)} dx^{2} + f(x) dp^{2} - \frac{1}{f(-y)} dy^{2} + f(-y) dq^{2} \right]$$
(2.18.26)

with  $f(u) := \pm (-2mAu^3 - u^2 + 1)$  given in [PP01].

Furthermore, coordinates can be adapted to the boost-rotation symmetry with the line element in [PP01] from in [Bon83]

$$ds^{2} = \frac{1}{z^{2} - t^{2}} \left[ e^{\rho} r^{2} (zdt - tdz)^{2} - e^{\lambda} (zdz - tdt)^{2} \right] - e^{\lambda} dr^{2} - r^{2} e^{-\rho} d\varphi^{2}$$
(2.18.27)

with

$$\begin{split} e^{\rho} &= \frac{R_3 + R + Z_3 - r^2}{4\alpha^2 \left(R_1 + R + Z_1 - r^2\right)}, \\ e^{\lambda} &= \frac{2\alpha^2 \left[R(R + R_1 + Z_1) - Z_1 r^2\right] \left[R_1 R_3 + (R + Z_1)(R + Z_3) - (Z_1 + Z_3) r^2\right]}{R_i R_3 \left[R(R + R_3 + Z_3) - Z_3 r^2\right]}, \\ R &= \frac{1}{2} \left(z^2 - t^2 + r^2\right), \\ R_i &= \sqrt{(R + Z_i)^2 - 2Z_i r^2}, \\ Z_i &= z_i - z_2, \\ \alpha^2 &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{m^2}{A^6 (z_2 - z_1)^2 (z_3 - z_1)^2}, \\ q &= \frac{1}{4\alpha^2}, \end{split}$$

and  $z_3 < z_1 < z_2$  the roots of  $2A^4z^3 - A^2z^2 + m^2$ .

### Local tetrad:

Case  $z^2 - t^2 > 0$ :

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 - t^2}} \left( qz e^{-\rho/2} \, \partial_t + t e^{-\lambda/2} \, \partial_z, \right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = e^{-\lambda/2} \, \partial_r, \tag{2.18.28a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{z^2 - t^2}} \left( qt e^{-\rho/2} \, \partial_t + z e^{-\lambda/2} \, \partial_z, \right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = r e^{\rho/2} \, \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.18.28b}$$

Case  $z^2 - t^2 < 0$ :

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2 - z^2}} \left( qt e^{-\rho/2} \, \partial_t + z e^{-\lambda/2} \, \partial_z, \right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = e^{-\lambda/2} \, \partial_r, \tag{2.18.29a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t^2 - z^2}} \left( qz e^{-\rho/2} \, \partial_t + t e^{-\lambda/2} \, \partial_z, \right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\phi)} = r e^{\rho/2} \, \partial_{\phi}. \tag{2.18.29b}$$

Dual tetrad:

Case  $z^2 - t^2 > 0$ :

$$\theta^{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{e^{\rho}}{z^2 - t^2}} \frac{1}{q} (zdt + tdz), \qquad \theta^{(r)} = e^{\lambda} dr,$$
 (2.18.30a)

$$\theta^{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{e^{\rho}}{z^2 - t^2}} \frac{1}{q} (zdt + tdz), \qquad \theta^{(r)} = e^{\lambda} dr,$$

$$\theta^{(z)} = \sqrt{\frac{e^{\lambda}}{z^2 - t^2}} (tdt + zdz), \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{re^{\rho}} d\varphi.$$
(2.18.30b)

Case  $z^2 - t^2 > 0$ :

$$\theta^{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{e^{\lambda}}{t^2 - z^2}} (t \, dt + z \, dz), \qquad \theta^{(r)} = e^{\lambda} \, dr,$$
 (2.18.31a)

$$\theta^{(z)} = \sqrt{\frac{e^{\rho}}{t^2 - z^2}} \frac{1}{q} (zdt + tdz), \qquad \theta^{(\phi)} = \frac{1}{re^{\rho}} d\phi.$$
 (2.18.31b)

## 2.19 Plane gravitational wave

W. Rindler described in [Rin01] an exact plane gravitational wave which is bounded between two planes. The metric of the so called 'sandwich wave' with u := t - x reads

$$ds^{2} = -dt^{2} + dx^{2} + p^{2}(u)dy^{2} + q^{2}(u)dz^{2}.$$
(2.19.1)

The functions p(u) and q(u) are given by

$$p(u) := \begin{cases} p_0 = \text{const.} & u < -a \\ 1 - u & 0 < u \\ L(u)e^{m(u)} & \text{else} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad q(u) := \begin{cases} q_0 = \text{const.} & u < -a \\ 1 - u & 0 < u \\ L(u)e^{-m(u)} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$
 (2.19.2)

where a is the longitudinal extension of the wave. The functions L(u) and m(u) are

$$L(u) = 1 - u + \frac{u^3}{a^2} + \frac{u^4}{2a^3}, \qquad m(u) = \pm 2\sqrt{3} \int \sqrt{\frac{u^2 + au}{2a^3u - 2au^3 - u^4 - 2a^3}} du. \tag{2.19.3}$$

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{ty}^{y} = -\Gamma_{xy}^{y} = \frac{1}{p} \frac{\partial p}{\partial u}, \qquad \Gamma_{zz}^{t} = \Gamma_{zz}^{x} = q \frac{\partial q}{\partial u}, \qquad \Gamma_{tz}^{z} = -\Gamma_{xz}^{z} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{\partial q}{\partial u}, \qquad \Gamma_{yy}^{t} = \Gamma_{yy}^{x} = p \frac{\partial p}{\partial u}. \tag{2.19.4}$$

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tyty} = R_{xyxy} = -R_{tyxy} = -p \frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial u^2}, \qquad R_{tztz} = R_{xzxz} = -R_{tzxz} = -q \frac{\partial^2 q}{\partial u^2}. \tag{2.19.5}$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(x)} = \partial_x, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(y)} = \frac{1}{p}\partial_y, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = \frac{1}{q}\partial_z.$$
 (2.19.6)

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = dt, \quad \theta^{(x)} = dx, \quad \theta^{(y)} = pdy, \quad \theta^{(z)} = qdz.$$
 (2.19.7)

#### 2.20 Reissner-Nordstrøm

The Reissner-Nordstrøm black hole in spherical coordinates  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, \vartheta \in (0, \pi), \varphi \in [0, 2\pi)\}$  is defined by the metric[MTW73]

$$ds^{2} = -A_{RN}c^{2}dt^{2} + A_{RN}^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right),$$
(2.20.1)

where

$$A_{\rm RN} = 1 - \frac{r_s}{r} + \frac{\rho Q^2}{r^2} \tag{2.20.2}$$

with  $r_s = 2GM/c^2$ , the charge Q, and  $\rho = G/(\varepsilon_0 c^4) \approx 9.33 \cdot 10^{-34}$ . As in the Schwarzschild case, there is a true curvature singularity at r = 0. However, for  $Q^2 < r_s^2/(4\rho)$  there are also two critical points at

$$r = \frac{r_s}{2} \pm \frac{r_s}{2} \sqrt{1 - \frac{4\rho Q^2}{r_s^2}}. (2.20.3)$$

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{A_{\text{RN}}c^{2}(r_{s}r - 2\rho Q^{2})}{2r^{3}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{r_{s}r - 2\rho Q^{2}}{2r^{3}A_{\text{RN}}}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{r_{s}r - 2\rho Q^{2}}{2r^{3}A_{\text{RN}}}, \tag{2.20.4a}$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{r\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{r\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -rA_{\rm RN}, \qquad (2.20.4b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -rA_{\rm RN}\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta. \qquad (2.20.4c)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -rA_{\rm RN}\sin^2\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
 (2.20.4c)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2(r_s r - 3\rho Q^2)}{r^4},$$
  $R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = \frac{A_{\rm RN}c^2(rs_r - 2\rho Q^2)}{2r^2},$  (2.20.5a)

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{A_{\rm RN}c^2(r_s r - 2\rho Q^2)\sin^2\vartheta}{2r^2}, \qquad R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{r_s r - 2\rho Q^2}{2r^2 A_{\rm RN}},$$
 (2.20.5b)

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{(r_s r - 2\rho Q^2)\sin^2\vartheta}{2r^2 A_{\rm PN}}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = (r_s r - \rho Q^2)\sin^2\vartheta. \tag{2.20.5c}$$

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = \frac{c^2 \rho Q^2 A_{\text{RN}}}{r^4}, \qquad R_{rr} = -\frac{\rho Q^2}{r^4 A_{\text{RN}}}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{\rho Q^2}{r^2}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{\rho Q^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{r^2}.$$
 (2.20.6)

While the Ricci scalar vanishes identically, the Kretschmann scalar reads

$$\mathcal{K} = 4 \frac{3r_s^2 r^2 - 12r_s r \rho Q^2 + 14\rho^2 Q^4}{r^8}.$$
 (2.20.7)

Weyl-Tensor:

$$C_{trtr} = -\frac{c^2(r_s r - 2\rho Q^2)}{r^4},$$
  $C_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -\frac{A_{RN}c^2(rs_r - 2\rho Q^2)}{2r^2},$  (2.20.8a)

$$C_{t\varphi t\varphi} = \frac{A_{\text{RN}}c^{2}(r_{s}r - 2\rho Q^{2})\sin^{2}\vartheta}{2r^{2}}, \qquad C_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{r_{s}r - 2\rho Q^{2}}{2r^{2}A_{\text{RN}}}, \tag{2.20.8b}$$

$$C_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{(r_s r - 2\rho Q^2)\sin^2\vartheta}{2r^2 A_{\rm PN}}, \qquad C_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = (r_s r - 2\rho Q^2)\sin^2\vartheta. \tag{2.20.8c}$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c\sqrt{A_{\text{RN}}}} \partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{A_{\text{RN}}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.20.9}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(t)} = c\sqrt{A_{\rm RN}}dt, \qquad \theta^{(r)} = \frac{dr}{\sqrt{A_{\rm RN}}}, \qquad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = rd\vartheta, \qquad \theta^{(\varphi)} = r\sin\vartheta d\varphi. \tag{2.20.10}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(t)} = \frac{rr_s - 2\rho Q^2}{2r^3 \sqrt{A_{\text{RN}}}}, \quad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{\sqrt{A_{\text{RN}}}}{r}, \quad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.20.11}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{4r^2 - 3rr_s + 2\rho Q^2}{2r^3\sqrt{A_{\rm PN}}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.20.12}$$

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -\frac{r_s r - 3\rho Q^2}{r^4}, \qquad R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s r - \rho Q^2}{r^4},$$
 (2.20.13a)

$$R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s r - 2\rho Q^2}{2r^4}.$$
 (2.20.13b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(t)} = -R_{(r)(r)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \frac{\rho Q^2}{r^4}.$$
(2.20.14)

Weyl-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$C_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -C_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = -\frac{r_s r - 2\rho Q^2}{r^4},$$
(2.20.15a)

$$C_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = C_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -C_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = -C_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{r_s r - 2\rho Q^2}{2r^4}.$$
 (2.20.15b)

### **Embedding:**

The embedding function follows from the numerical integration of

$$\frac{dz}{dr} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 - r_s/r + \rho Q^2/r^2} - 1}.$$
(2.20.16)

#### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{k^2}{c^2}, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\left(1 - \frac{r_s}{r} + \frac{\rho Q^2}{r^2}\right)\left(\frac{h^2}{r^2} - \kappa c^2\right)$$
(2.20.17)

with constants of motion  $k = A_{RN}c^2\dot{t}$  and  $h = r^2\dot{\phi}$ . For null geodesics,  $\kappa = 0$ , there are two extremal points

$$r_{\pm} = \frac{3}{4} r_s \left( 1 \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{32\rho Q^2}{9r_s^2}} \right), \tag{2.20.18}$$

where  $r_+$  is a maximum and  $r_-$  a minimum.

### Further reading:

Eiroa[ERT02]

#### 2.21 de Sitter spacetime

The de Sitter spacetime with  $\Lambda > 0$  is a solution of the Einstein field equations with constant curvature. A detailed discussion can be found for example in Hawking and Ellis[HE99]. Here, we use the coordinate transformations given by Bičák[BK01].

## 2.21.1 Standard coordinates

The de Sitter metric in standard coordinates  $\{\tau \in \mathbb{R}, \chi \in [-\pi, \pi], \vartheta \in (0, \pi), \varphi \in [0, 2\pi)\}$  reads

$$ds^{2} = -d\tau^{2} + \alpha^{2} \cosh^{2} \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \left[ d\chi^{2} + \sin^{2} \chi \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2} \vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right], \tag{2.21.1}$$

where  $\alpha^2 = 3/\Lambda$ .

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma^{\chi}_{\tau\chi} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \tanh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\tau\vartheta} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \tanh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\tau\varphi} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \tanh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \qquad (2.21.2a)$$

$$\Gamma^{\tau}_{\chi\chi} = \alpha \sinh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\chi\vartheta} = \cot \chi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\chi\varphi} = \cot \chi, \qquad (2.21.2b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\tau}_{\chi\chi} = \alpha \sinh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\chi\vartheta} = \cot \chi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\chi\varphi} = \cot \chi, \qquad (2.21.2b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\tau}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \alpha \sin^{2} \chi \sinh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \qquad \Gamma^{\chi}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\sin \chi \cos \chi, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot \vartheta, \qquad (2.21.2c)$$

$$\Gamma^{\tau}_{\varphi\varphi} = \alpha \sin^2 \chi \sin^2 \vartheta \sinh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \quad \Gamma^{\chi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin^2 \vartheta \sin \chi \cos \chi, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta. \quad (2.21.2d)$$

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{\tau\chi\tau\chi} = -\cosh^2\frac{\tau}{\alpha},$$
  $R_{\tau\vartheta\tau\vartheta} = -\cosh^2\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\sin^2\chi,$  (2.21.3a)

$$R_{\tau\varphi\tau\varphi} = -\cosh^{2}\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\sin^{2}\chi\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad R_{\chi\vartheta\chi\vartheta} = \alpha^{2}\left(1 + \sinh^{2}\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\right)^{2}\sin^{2}\chi, \qquad (2.21.3b)$$

$$R_{\chi\varphi\chi\varphi} = \alpha^{2}\left(1 + \sinh^{2}\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\right)^{2}\sin^{2}\chi\sin^{2}\vartheta, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = \alpha^{2}\left(1 + \sinh^{2}\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\right)^{2}\sin^{4}\chi\sin^{2}\vartheta. \qquad (2.21.3c)$$

$$R_{\chi\phi\chi\phi} = \alpha^2 \left( 1 + \sinh^2 \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \right)^2 \sin^2 \chi \sin^2 \vartheta, \qquad R_{\vartheta\phi\vartheta\phi} = \alpha^2 \left( 1 + \sinh^2 \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \right)^2 \sin^4 \chi \sin^2 \vartheta. \tag{2.21.3c}$$

Ricci-Tensor:

$$R_{\tau\tau} = -\frac{3}{\alpha^2}, \quad R_{\chi\chi} = 3\cosh^2\frac{\tau}{\alpha}, \quad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = 3\cosh^2\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\sin^2\chi, \quad R_{\varphi\varphi} = 3\cosh^2\frac{\tau}{\alpha}\sin^2\chi\sin^2\vartheta.$$
 (2.21.4)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalars:

$$\mathscr{R} = \frac{12}{\alpha^2}, \qquad \mathscr{K} = \frac{24}{\alpha^4}. \tag{2.21.5}$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(\tau)} = \partial_{\tau}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\chi)} = \frac{1}{\alpha \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha}} \partial_{\chi}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{\alpha \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \sin \chi} \partial_{\vartheta}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{\alpha \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \sin \chi \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.21.6}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(\tau)} = d\tau, \quad \theta^{(\chi)} = \alpha \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} d\chi, \quad \theta^{(\vartheta)} = \alpha \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \sin \chi d\vartheta, \quad \theta^{(\varphi)} = \alpha \cosh \frac{\tau}{\alpha} \sin \chi \sin \vartheta d\varphi. \quad (2.21.7)$$

# 2.21.2 Conformally Einstein coordinates

In conformally Einstein coordinates  $\{\eta \in [0,\pi], \chi \in [-\pi,\pi], \vartheta \in [0,\pi], \varphi \in [0,2\pi)\}$ , the de Sitter metric

$$ds^{2} = \frac{\alpha^{2}}{\sin^{2} \eta} \left[ -d\eta^{2} + d\chi^{2} + \sin^{2} \chi \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2} \vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right].$$
 (2.21.8)

It follows from the standard form (2.21.1) by the transformation

$$\eta = 2\arctan\left(e^{\tau/\alpha}\right). \tag{2.21.9}$$

# 2.21.3 Conformally flat coordinates

Conformally flat coordinates  $\{T \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}, \vartheta \in (0,\pi), \varphi \in [0,2\pi)\}$  follow from conformally Einstein coordinates by means of the transformations

$$T = \frac{\alpha \sin \eta}{\cos \chi + \cos \eta}, \quad r = \frac{\alpha \sin \chi}{\cos \chi + \cos \eta}, \quad \text{or} \quad \eta = \arctan \frac{2T\alpha}{\alpha^2 - T^2 + r^2}, \quad \chi = \arctan \frac{2r\alpha}{\alpha^2 + T^2 - r^2}. \quad (2.21.10)$$

For the transformation  $(T,R) \to (\eta,\chi)$ , we have to take care of the coordinate domains. In that case, if  $\kappa^2 - T^2 + r^2 < 0$ , we have to map  $\eta \to \eta + \pi$ . On the other hand, if  $\kappa^2 + T^2 - r^2 < 0$ , we have to consider the sign of *r*. If r > 0, then  $\chi \to \chi + \pi$ , otherwise  $\chi \to \chi - \pi$ . The resulting metric reads

$$ds^{2} = \frac{\alpha^{2}}{T^{2}} \left[ -dT^{2} + dr^{2} + r^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right].$$
 (2.21.11)

Note that we identify points  $(r < 0, \vartheta, \varphi)$  with  $(r > 0, \pi - \vartheta, \varphi - \pi)$ .

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma_{TT}^{T} = \Gamma_{Tr}^{r} = \Gamma_{T\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \Gamma_{T\varphi}^{\varphi} = \Gamma_{rr}^{T} = -\frac{1}{T}, \quad \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \quad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{T} = -\frac{r^{2}}{T}, \quad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -r, \tag{2.21.12a}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{T}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{r^2\sin^2\vartheta}{T}, \quad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -r\sin^2\vartheta, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta.$$
(2.21.12b)

**Riemann-Tensor:** 

$$R_{TrTr} = -\frac{\alpha^2}{T^4}, \qquad R_{T\vartheta T\vartheta} = -\frac{\alpha^2 r^2}{T^4}, \qquad R_{T\varphi T\varphi} = -\frac{\alpha^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{T^4}, \qquad (2.21.13a)$$

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = \frac{\alpha^2 r^2}{T^4}, \qquad R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = \frac{\alpha^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{T^4}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{\alpha^2 r^4 \sin^2 \vartheta}{T^4}. \qquad (2.21.13b)$$

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = \frac{\alpha^2 r^2}{T^4}, \qquad R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = \frac{\alpha^2 r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta}{T^4}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{\alpha^2 r^4 \sin^2 \vartheta}{T^4}.$$
 (2.21.13b)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{TT} = -\frac{3}{T^2}, \qquad R_{rr} = \frac{3}{T^2}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{3r^2}{T^2}, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{3r^2\sin^2\vartheta}{T^2}.$$
 (2.21.14)

The Ricci and Kretschmann scalar read:

$$\mathscr{R} = \frac{12}{\alpha^2}, \qquad \mathscr{K} = \frac{24}{\alpha^4}. \tag{2.21.15}$$

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(T)} = \frac{T}{\alpha} \partial_T, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \frac{T}{\alpha} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{T}{\alpha r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{T}{\alpha r \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}.$$
 (2.21.16)

### 2.21.4 Static coordinates

The de Sitter metric in static spherical coordinates  $\{t \in \mathbb{R}, r \in \mathbb{R}^+, \vartheta \in (0, \pi), \varphi \in [0, 2\pi)\}$  reads

$$ds^{2} = -\left(1 - \frac{\Lambda}{3}r^{2}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} + \left(1 - \frac{\Lambda}{3}r^{2}\right)^{-1}dr^{2} + r^{2}\left(d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2}\right).$$
 (2.21.17)

It follows from the conformally Einstein form (2.21.8) by the transformations

$$t = \frac{\alpha}{2} \ln \frac{\cos \chi - \cos \eta}{\cos \chi + \cos \eta}, \quad r = \alpha \frac{\sin \chi}{\sin \eta}. \tag{2.21.18}$$

### Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{(\Lambda r^2 - 3)}{9} c^2 \Lambda r, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{\Lambda r}{\Lambda r^2 - 3}, \qquad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = \frac{\Lambda r}{3 - \Lambda r^2}, \qquad (2.21.19a)$$

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\phi}^{\phi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = \frac{(\Lambda r^2 - 3)r}{3}, \qquad (2.21.19b)$$

$$\Gamma^{\phi}_{\vartheta\phi} = \cot(\vartheta), \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\phi\phi} = \frac{\Lambda r^2 - 3}{3} r \sin^2(\vartheta), \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\phi\phi} = -\sin(\vartheta) \cos(\vartheta). \tag{2.21.19c}$$

### Riemann-Tensor:

$$R_{trtr} = -\frac{\Lambda}{3}c^2, \qquad R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -\frac{3 - \Lambda r^2}{9}c^2\Lambda r^2, \qquad R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -\frac{3 - \Lambda r^2}{9}c^2\Lambda r^2\sin(\vartheta)^2, \qquad (2.21.20a)$$

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = \frac{\Lambda r^2}{-\Lambda r^2 + 3}, \qquad R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = \frac{\Lambda r^2 \sin(\theta)^2}{-\Lambda r^2 + 3}, \qquad R_{\vartheta \varphi \vartheta \varphi} = \frac{r^4 \sin^2(\theta) \Lambda}{3}.$$
 (2.21.20b)

### **Ricci-Tensor:**

$$R_{tt} = \frac{\Lambda r^2 - 3}{3} c^2 \Lambda, \qquad R_{rr} = \frac{3\Lambda}{3 - \Lambda r^2}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \Lambda r^2, \qquad R_{\varphi\varphi} = r^2 \sin^2(\vartheta) \Lambda. \tag{2.21.21}$$

The Ricci scalar and Kretschmann scalar read:

$$\mathcal{R} = 4\Lambda, \qquad \mathcal{K} = \frac{8}{3}\Lambda^2. \tag{2.21.22}$$

# Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{3 - \Lambda r^2}} \frac{\partial_t}{c}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{\Lambda r^2}{3}} \partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{1}{r} \partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{r \sin(\vartheta)} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.21.23}$$

### Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(t)(r)(t)} = -\frac{\Lambda r}{\sqrt{9 - 3\Lambda r^2}}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{\sqrt{9 - 3\Lambda r^2}}{3r}, \qquad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r}. \tag{2.21.24}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(r)} = \frac{\sqrt{9 - 3\Lambda r^2}(\Lambda r^2 - 2)}{(\Lambda r^2 - 3)r}, \qquad \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot \vartheta}{r}.$$
(2.21.25)

### Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$-R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = -R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = -R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{3}\Lambda. \quad (2.21.26)$$

# Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$-R_{(t)(t)} = R_{(r)(r)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = \Lambda. \tag{2.21.27}$$

# 2.21.5 Lemaître-Robertson form

The de Sitter universe in the Lemaître-Robertson form reads

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + e^{2Ht} \left[ dr^{2} + r^{2} \left( d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta d\varphi^{2} \right) \right],$$
 (2.21.28)

with Hubble's Parameter  $H=\sqrt{\frac{\Lambda c^2}{3}}=\frac{c}{\alpha}$ , which is assumed here to be time-independent. This a special case of the first and second form of the Friedman-Robertson-Walker metric defined in Eqs. (2.9.2) and (2.9.12) with  $R(t)=e^{Ht}$  and k=0.

### **Christoffel symbols:**

$$\Gamma^{r}_{tr} = H, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{t\vartheta} = H, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{t\varphi} = H, \qquad (2.21.29a)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^{t} = \frac{e^{2Ht}H}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r},$$
(2.21.29b)

$$\Gamma'_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{e^{2Ht}r^2H}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma'_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -r, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\phi} = \cot(\vartheta), \qquad (2.21.29c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = \frac{e^{2Ht}r^{2}\sin^{2}(\theta)H}{c^{2}}, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = -r\sin(\vartheta)^{2}, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin(\vartheta)\cos(\vartheta). \tag{2.21.29d}$$

## Riemann-Tensor:

$$R_{trtr} = -e^{2Ht}H^2,$$
  $R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} = -e^{2Ht}r^2H^2,$  (2.21.30a)

$$R_{t\varphi t\varphi} = -e^{2Ht}r^2\sin^2(\vartheta)H^2, \qquad R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = \frac{e^{4Ht}r^2H^2}{c^2},$$
 (2.21.30b)

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = \frac{e^{4Ht}r^2\sin^2(\vartheta)H^2}{c^2}, \qquad R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{e^{4Ht}r^4\sin^2(\vartheta)H^2}{c^2}.$$
 (2.21.30c)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -3H^2$$
,  $R_{rr} = 3\frac{e^{2Ht}H^2}{c^2}$ ,  $R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = 3\frac{e^{2Ht}r^2H^2}{c^2}$ ,  $R_{\varphi\varphi} = 3\frac{e^{2Ht}r^2\sin^2(\vartheta)H^2}{c^2}$ . (2.21.31)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalars:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{12H^2}{c^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = \frac{24H^4}{c^4}.$$
 (2.21.32)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(r)} = e^{-Ht}\partial_r, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{e^{-Ht}}{r}\partial_{\vartheta}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(\varphi)} = \frac{e^{-Ht}}{r\sin\vartheta}\partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.21.33}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(r)(t)(r)} = \gamma_{(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = \frac{H}{c}$$
(2.21.34a)

$$\gamma_{(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = \gamma_{(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = \frac{1}{e^{Ht}r}, \quad \gamma_{(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{\cot(\theta)}{e^{Ht}r}. \tag{2.21.34b}$$

The contractions of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = 3\frac{H}{c}, \qquad \gamma_{(r)} = \frac{2}{e^{Ht}r}, \gamma_{(\vartheta)} = \frac{\cot(\theta)}{e^{Ht}r}. \tag{2.21.35}$$

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(r)(t)(r)} = R_{(t)(\vartheta)(t)(\vartheta)} = R_{(t)(\varphi)(t)(\varphi)} = -\frac{H^2}{c^2}$$
(2.21.36a)

$$R_{(r)(\vartheta)(r)(\vartheta)} = R_{(r)(\varphi)(r)(\varphi)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\varphi)(\vartheta)(\varphi)} = \frac{H^2}{c^2}.$$
(2.21.36b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$-R_{(t)(t)} = R_{(r)(r)} = R_{(\vartheta)(\vartheta)} = R_{(\varphi)(\varphi)} = 3\frac{H^2}{c^2}.$$
(2.21.37)

### 2.21.6 Cartesian coordinates

The de Sitter universe in Lemaître-Robertson form can also be expressed in Cartesian coordinates:

$$ds^{2} = -c^{2}dt^{2} + e^{2Ht} \left[ dx^{2} + dy^{2} + dz^{2} \right].$$
(2.21.38)

**Christoffel symbols:** 

$$\Gamma_{tx}^{x} = H, \qquad \Gamma_{ty}^{y} = H, \qquad \Gamma_{tz}^{z} = H,$$

$$(2.21.39a)$$

$$\Gamma'_{xx} = \frac{e^{2Ht}H}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma'_{yy} = \frac{e^{2Ht}H}{c^2}, \qquad \Gamma'_{zz} = \frac{e^{2Ht}H}{c^2}.$$
 (2.21.39b)

(2.21.39c)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma_{xx,t}^t = \Gamma_{yy,t}^t = \Gamma_{zz,t}^t = \frac{2H^2e^{2Ht}}{c^2}.$$
 (2.21.40)

Riemann-Tensor:

$$R_{txtx} = R_{txtx} = R_{tztz} = -e^{2Ht}H^2, \qquad R_{xyxy} = R_{xzxz} = R_{yzyz} = \frac{e^{4Ht}H^2}{c^2}.$$
 (2.21.41)

**Ricci-Tensor:** 

$$R_{tt} = -3H^2$$
,  $R_{xx} = R_{yy} = R_{zz} = 3\frac{e^{2Ht}H^2}{c^2}$ . (2.21.42)

The Ricci and Kretschmann scalar read:

$$\mathcal{R} = 12\frac{H^2}{c^2}, \qquad \mathcal{K} = 24\frac{H^4}{c^4}.$$
 (2.21.43)

Local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(t)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(x)} = e^{-Ht}\partial_x, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(y)} = e^{-Ht}\partial_y, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(z)} = e^{-Ht}\partial_z. \tag{2.21.44}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients:

$$\gamma_{(x)(t)(x)} = \gamma_{(y)(t)(y)} = \gamma_{(z)(t)(z)} = \frac{H}{c}.$$
(2.21.45)

The only non-vanishing contraction of the Ricci rotation coefficients read

$$\gamma_{(t)} = 3\frac{H}{c}$$
. (2.21.46)

Riemann-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$R_{(t)(x)(t)(x)} = R_{(t)(y)(t)(y)} = R_{(t)(z)(t)(z)} = -\frac{H^2}{c^2},$$
(2.21.47a)

$$R_{(x)(y)(x)(y)} = R_{(x)(z)(x)(z)} = R_{(y)(z)(y)(z)} = \frac{H^2}{c^2}.$$
(2.21.47b)

Ricci-Tensor with respect to local tetrad:

$$-R_{(t)(t)} = R_{(x)(x)} = R_{(y)(y)} = R_{(z)(z)} = 3\frac{H^2}{c^2}.$$
(2.21.48)

**Further reading:** 

Tolman[Tol34, sec. 142], Bičák[BK01]

# 2.22 Straight spinning string

The metric of a straight spinning string in cylindrical coordinates  $(t, \rho, \varphi, z)$  reads

$$ds^{2} = -(c dt - a d\varphi)^{2} + d\rho^{2} + k^{2} \rho^{2} d\varphi^{2} + dz^{2},$$
(2.22.1)

where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and k > 0 are two parameters, see Perlick[Per04].

**Metric-Tensor:** 

$$g_{tt} = -c^2$$
,  $g_{t\phi} = ac$ ,  $g_{\rho\rho} = g_{zz} = 1$ ,  $g_{\phi\phi} = k^2 \rho^2 - a^2$ . (2.22.2)

Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma^{t}_{\rho\varphi} = \frac{a}{c\rho}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\rho\varphi} = \frac{1}{\rho}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\varphi\varphi} = -k^{2}\rho.$$
 (2.22.3)

Partial derivatives

$$\Gamma^{t}_{\rho\varphi,\rho} = -\frac{\alpha}{c\rho^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\rho\varphi,\rho} = -\frac{1}{\rho^2}, \qquad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\varphi\varphi,\rho} = -k^2.$$
 (2.22.4)

The Riemann-, Ricci-, and Weyl-tensors as well as the Ricci- and Kretschmann-scalar vanish identically. **Static local tetrad:** 

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{c}\partial_t, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \partial_\rho, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{k\rho}\left(\frac{a}{c}\partial_t + \partial_\varphi\right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \partial_z. \tag{2.22.5}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(0)} = c dt - a d\varphi, \qquad \theta^{(1)} = d\rho, \qquad \theta^{(2)} = k\rho d\varphi, \qquad \theta^{(3)} = dz.$$
 (2.22.6)

Ricci rotation coefficients and their contractions read

$$\gamma_{(2)(1)(2)} = \frac{1}{\rho}, \qquad \gamma_{(0)} = \gamma_{(2)} = \gamma_{(3)} = 0, \qquad \gamma_{(1)} = \frac{1}{\rho}.$$
(2.22.7)

Comoving local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{\sqrt{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2}}{k \rho} \left( \frac{1}{c} \partial_t - \frac{a}{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2} \partial_{\varphi} \right), \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \partial_{\rho}, \tag{2.22.8a}$$

$$\mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2}} \partial_{\varphi}, \qquad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \partial_{z}.$$
 (2.22.8b)

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(0)} = \frac{k\rho}{\sqrt{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2}} c \, dt, \quad \theta^{(1)} = d\rho, \quad \theta^{(2)} = \frac{ac \, dt}{\sqrt{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2}} + \sqrt{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2} d\varphi, \quad \theta^{(3)} = dz. \tag{2.22.9}$$

Ricci rotation coefficients and their contractions read

$$\gamma_{(0)(1)(0)} = \frac{a^2}{\rho \left(k^2 \rho^2 - a^2\right)}, \quad \gamma_{(2)(1)(0)} = \gamma_{(0)(2)(1)} = \gamma_{(0)(1)(2)} = \frac{ak}{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2}, \tag{2.22.10a}$$

$$\gamma_{(2)(1)(2)} = \frac{k^2 \rho}{k^2 \rho^2 - a^2},\tag{2.22.10b}$$

$$\gamma_{(1)} = \frac{1}{\rho}$$
. (2.22.10c)

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\dot{\rho}^2 + \frac{1}{k^2 \rho^2} \left( h_2 - \frac{ah_1}{c} \right)^2 - \kappa c^2 = \frac{h_1^2}{c^2},\tag{2.22.11}$$

with the constants of motion  $h_1 = c(c\dot{t} - a\dot{\phi})$  and  $h_2 = a(c\dot{t} - a\dot{\phi}) + k^2\rho^2\dot{\phi}$ .

The point of closest approach  $\rho_{pca}$  for a null geodesic that starts at  $\rho = \rho_i$  with  $\mathbf{y} = \pm \mathbf{e}_{(0)} + \cos \xi \mathbf{e}_{(1)} + \sin \xi \mathbf{e}_{(2)}$  with respect to the static tetrad is given by  $\rho = \rho_i \sin \xi$ . Hence, the  $\rho_{pca}$  is independent of a and k. The same is also true for timelike geodesics.

#### 2.23 Sultana-Dyer spacetime

The Sultana-Dyer metric represents a black hole in the Einstein-de Sitter universe. In spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$ , the metric reads[SD05] (G = c = 1)

$$ds^{2} = t^{4} \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{2M}{r} \right) dt^{2} - \frac{4M}{r} dt dr - \left( 1 + \frac{2M}{r} \right) dr^{2} - r^{2} d\Omega^{2} \right],$$
 (2.23.1)

where *M* is the mass of the black hole and  $\Omega^2 = d\vartheta^2 + \sin^2\vartheta d\varphi^2$  is the spherical surface element. Note that here, the signature of the metric is  $sign(\mathbf{g}) = -2$ .

### Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{t} = \frac{2(r^{3} + 4M^{2}r + M^{2}t)}{tr^{3}}, \quad \Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{M(r - 2M)(4r + t)}{tr^{3}}, \quad \Gamma_{tr}^{t} = \frac{M(r + 2M)(4r + t)}{tr^{3}}, \quad (2.23.2a)$$

$$\Gamma_{tr}^{r} = \frac{2(r^{3} - 4M^{2}r - M^{2}t)}{tr^{3}}, \quad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{2}{t}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{2}{t},$$
(2.23.2b)

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{r}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{t} = \frac{2(r^2 + 2Mr - Mt)}{t}, \qquad (2.23.2c)$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -\frac{4Mr + tr - 2Mt}{t}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^{\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{\vartheta} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \qquad (2.23.2d)$$

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -\frac{4Mr + tr - 2Mt}{t}, \quad \Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \cot\vartheta, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta, \qquad (2.23.2d)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^{t} = \frac{2\left(r^{3} + 4Mr^{2} + 4M^{2}r + M^{2}t + Mtr\right)}{tr^{3}}, \quad \Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{M\left(4r^{2} + 8Mr + 2Mt + tr\right)}{tr^{3}},$$
(2.23.2e)

$$\Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{2\left(r^2 + 2Mr - Mt\right)\sin^2\vartheta}{t}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma^{r}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{\left(4Mr + tr - 2Mt\right)\sin^2\vartheta}{t}. \tag{2.23.2f}$$

### **Riemann-Tensor:**

$$R_{trtr} = \frac{2t^2 \left(-2Mr^2 - r^3 + Mt^2 + 2Mtr\right)}{r^3},$$
(2.23.3a)

$$R_{r\vartheta t\vartheta} = -\frac{t^2 \left(2r^4 + 16M^2r^2 + 4Mtr^2 - 4M^2r^2t + Mt^2r - 2M^2t^2\right)}{r^2},$$
(2.23.3b)

$$R_{t\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{2Mt^2(4r+t)(r^2 + 2Mr - Mt)}{r^2},$$
(2.23.3c)

$$R_{r\varphi t\varphi} = -\frac{t^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \left(2r^4 + 16M^2r^2 + 4Mtr^2 - 4M^2r^2t + Mt^2r - 2M^2t^2\right)}{r^2},$$
(2.23.3d)

$$R_{t\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{2Mt^2 \sin^2 \vartheta (4r+t)(r^2 + 2Mr - Mt)}{r^2},$$
(2.23.3e)

$$R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} = -\frac{t^2 \left(4r^4 + 16Mr^4 - 4M^2tr + 16M^2r^2 - 2M^2t^2 - Mt^2r\right)}{r^2},$$
(2.23.3f)

$$R_{r\varphi r\varphi} = -\frac{t^2 \sin^2 \vartheta \left(4r^4 + 16Mr^4 - 4M^2tr + 16M^2r^2 - 2M^2t^2 - Mt^2r\right)}{r^2},$$
(2.23.3g)

$$R_{\vartheta \sigma \vartheta \sigma} = -2t^2 r \sin^2 \vartheta \left( 2r^3 + 4Mr^2 - 4Mtr + mt^2 \right). \tag{2.23.3h}$$

### Ricci-Tensor:

$$R_{tt} = \frac{2(3r^2 + 12M^2 + 2Mt)}{t^2r^2}, \qquad R_{tr} = \frac{4M(3r + t + 6M)}{t^2r^2}, \qquad (2.23.4a)$$

$$R_{rr} = \frac{2\left(3r^2 + 12Mr + 2Mt + 12M^2\right)}{t^2r^2}, \ R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = \frac{6\left(r^2 + 2Mr - 2Mt\right)}{t^2},$$
(2.23.4b)

$$R_{\varphi\varphi} = \frac{6(r^2 + 2Mr - 2Mt)\sin^2\vartheta}{t^2}.$$
 (2.23.4c)

Ricci and Kretschmann scalars:

$$R = -\frac{12\left(r^2 + 2Mr - 2Mt\right)}{t^6r^2},\tag{2.23.5a}$$

$$R = -\frac{12(r^2 + 2Mr - 2Mt)}{t^6r^2},$$

$$\mathcal{K} = \frac{48(M^2t^4 + 20M^2r^4 + 20Mr^5 + 8M^2r^2t^2 - 4Mr^4t - 16M^2r^3t + 5r^6)}{t^12r^6}.$$
(2.23.5a)

# Comoving local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + 2M/r}}{t^2} \partial_t - \frac{2M/r}{t^2 \sqrt{1 + 2M/r}} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{1}{t^2 \sqrt{1 + 2M/r}} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{t^2 r} \partial_\vartheta, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \frac{1}{t^2 r \sin \vartheta} \partial_\varphi. \quad (2.23.6)$$

Static local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \frac{1}{t^2 \sqrt{1 - 2M/r}} \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \frac{2M/r}{t^2 \sqrt{1 - 2M/r}} \partial_t + \frac{\sqrt{1 - 2M/r}}{t^2} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{t^2 r} \partial_\vartheta, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = \frac{1}{t^2 r \sin \vartheta} \partial_\varphi. \quad (2.23.7)$$

# Further reading:

Sultana and Dyer[SD05].

### 2.24 TaubNUT

The TaubNUT metric in Boyer-Lindquist like spherical coordinates  $(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi)$  reads[BCJ02] (G = c = 1)

$$ds^{2} = -\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma} (dt + 2\ell \cos \vartheta \, d\varphi)^{2} + \Sigma \left( \frac{dr^{2}}{\Delta} + d\vartheta^{2} + \sin^{2}\vartheta \, d\varphi^{2} \right), \tag{2.24.1}$$

where  $\Sigma = r^2 + \ell^2$  and  $\Delta = r^2 - 2Mr - \ell^2$ . Here, M is the mass of the black hole and  $\ell$  the magnetic monopol strength.

### Christoffel symbols:

$$\Gamma_{tt}^{r} = \frac{\Delta \rho}{\Sigma^{3}}, \qquad \Gamma_{tr}^{r} = \frac{\rho}{\Delta \Sigma}, \qquad \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^{r} = -2\ell^{2}\cos\vartheta\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma^{2}}, \qquad (2.24.2a)$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{t\vartheta} = \frac{\ell\Delta}{\Sigma^2 \sin \vartheta}, \quad \Gamma^{r}_{t\varphi} = \frac{2\ell\rho\Delta\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma^3}, \quad \Gamma^{\vartheta}_{t\varphi} = -\frac{\ell\Delta\sin\vartheta}{\Sigma^2}, \tag{2.24.2b}$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^{r} = -\frac{\rho}{\Sigma \Delta}, \qquad \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^{\vartheta} = \frac{r}{\Sigma}, \qquad \qquad \Gamma_{r\varphi}^{\varphi} = \frac{r}{\Sigma}, \qquad \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^{r} = -\frac{r\Delta}{\Sigma},$$
 (2.24.2c)

$$\Gamma_{r\varphi}^{t} = \frac{-2\ell(r^3 - 3Mr^2 - 3r\ell^2 + M\ell^2)\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma\Delta},\tag{2.24.2d}$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^{t} = -\frac{\ell \left[\cos^{2}\vartheta \left(6r^{2}\ell^{2} - 8\ell^{2}Mr - 3\ell^{4} + r^{4}\right) + \Sigma^{2}\right]}{\Sigma^{2}\sin\vartheta},\tag{2.24.2e}$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^{r} = \frac{\Delta}{\Sigma^{3}} \left[ \cos^{2}\vartheta \left( 9r\ell^{4} + 4\ell^{2}Mr^{2} - 4\ell^{4}M + r^{5} + 2r^{3}\ell^{2} \right) - r\Sigma^{2} \right], \tag{2.24.2f}$$

$$\Gamma^{\varphi}_{\vartheta\varphi} = \frac{\left(4r^2\ell^2 - 4Mr\ell^2 - \ell^4 + r^4\right)\cot\vartheta}{\Sigma^2},\tag{2.24.2g}$$

$$\Gamma^{\vartheta}_{\varphi\varphi} = -\frac{\left(6r^2\ell^2 - 8Mr\ell^2 - 3\ell^4 + r^4\right)\sin\vartheta\cos\vartheta}{\Sigma^2},\tag{2.24.2h}$$

where  $\rho = 2r\ell^2 + Mr^2 - M\ell^2$ .

### Static local tetrad:

$$\mathbf{e}_{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma}{\Delta}} \partial_t, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma}} \partial_r, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(2)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma}} \partial_{\vartheta}, \quad \mathbf{e}_{(3)} = -\frac{2\ell \cot \vartheta}{\sqrt{\Sigma}} \partial_t + \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Sigma} \sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi}. \tag{2.24.3}$$

Dual tetrad:

$$\theta^{(0)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma}} (dt + 2\ell \cos \vartheta \, d\varphi) \,, \quad \theta^{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{\Sigma}{\Delta}} dr, \quad \theta^{(2)} = \sqrt{\Sigma} d\vartheta, \quad \theta^{(3)} = \sqrt{\Sigma} \sin \vartheta \, d\varphi. \tag{2.24.4}$$

### **Euler-Lagrange:**

The Euler-Lagrangian formalism, Sec. 1.8.4, for geodesics in the  $\vartheta = \pi/2$  hyperplane yields

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{r}^2 + V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{k^2}{c^2}, \qquad V_{\text{eff}} = \frac{1}{2}\frac{\Delta}{\Sigma} \left(\frac{h^2}{\Sigma} - \kappa\right)$$
(2.24.5)

with the constants of motion  $k = (\Delta/\Sigma)t$  and  $h = \Sigma \dot{\phi}$ . For null geodesics, we obtain a photon orbit at  $r = r_{po}$  with

$$r_{\text{po}} = M + 2\sqrt{M^2 + \ell^2} \cos\left(\frac{1}{3}\arccos\frac{M}{\sqrt{M^2 + \ell^2}}\right)$$
 (2.24.6)

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