



BLACK HOLES

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Classical Black Holes

03. Schwarzschild Solution. Properties

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Physical Conditions to obtain Schwarzschild's Metric

- Spherical Symmetry
- Asymptotically flat spacetime
- Static Metric
- Empty Spacetime

Spherically Symmetric Solution in Empty Space

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{K}{r}\right) dt^2 + \left(1 - \frac{K}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

K : Integration constant to be determined

Newtonian Approximation of the metric

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}(x)$$

where

- $\eta_{\mu\nu}$ is the Minkowskian metric representing a flat spacetime.
- $h_{\mu\nu}(x)$ is a perturbative term that contains the information of a weak gravitational field.

$$|h_{\mu\nu}| \sim h \ll 1$$

Newtonian Approximation of the metric

The inverse of the metric, up to linear terms in the perturbation is

$$g^{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta^{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu}(x) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

where

$$h^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\alpha} \eta^{\nu\beta} h_{\alpha\beta}$$

Newtonian Approximation of the Connections

Inserting these expressions for the metric and its inverse, the connections are linearised as

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{2}\eta^{\alpha\sigma} [\partial_{\mu}h_{\sigma\nu} + \partial_{\nu}h_{\mu\sigma} - \partial_{\sigma}h_{\mu\nu}] + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

Newtonian Approximation of the Curvature Tensors

Riemann and Ricci tensors are approximated, up to linear terms in the perturbation, as

$$R_{\alpha\mu\beta\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\partial_\mu \partial_\beta h_{\alpha\nu} + \partial_\alpha \partial_\nu h_{\mu\beta} - \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h_{\alpha\beta} - \partial_\alpha \partial_\beta h_{\mu\nu} \right] + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$$

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The Energy-Momentum Tensor

In order to have a consistent picture of a nearly flat spacetime, we must consider that the energy-momentum contribution of the source is small and that the characteristic velocities of the matter distribution are small compared with the speed of light. Consider the general form of the energy-momentum tensor for a perfect fluid,

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\varepsilon + P}{c^2} u^\mu u^\nu + P g^{\mu\nu},$$

where ε and P are the energy density and pressure of the distribution and u^μ is the velocity 4-vector associated with the matter distribution.

The Energy-Momentum Tensor

The assumptions described above let us neglect the pressure contribution of a matter distribution such as an ideal gas. Therefore, we will consider the energy-momentum tensor of an incoherent matter (dust) source,

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \frac{\varepsilon}{c^2} u^\mu u^\nu.$$

The Energy-Momentum Tensor

Considering that $\frac{v}{c} \ll 1$ we have that

$$\gamma = \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2} = 1 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)$$

Under this approximation, the components of the energy-momentum tensor can be approximated as

$$T^{00} = \frac{\varepsilon}{c^2} u^0 u^0 = \varepsilon + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \quad (1)$$

$$T^{0j} = \frac{\varepsilon}{c^2} u^0 u^j = \varepsilon \frac{v^j}{c} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \quad (2)$$

$$T^{ij} = \frac{\varepsilon}{c^2} u^i u^j = 0 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \quad (3)$$

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The trace of the energy momentum tensor simplifies to

$$T = g_{\mu\nu} T^{\mu\nu} = -\varepsilon + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)$$

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Comparison with the Poisson equation,

$$\nabla^2 \phi = 4\pi G\rho$$

gives the identification

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Considering the Newtonian gravitational potential associated with a spherical mass M gives the identification of the integration constant,

$$-\frac{2}{c^2} \left(-\frac{GM}{r} \right) = \frac{K}{r}$$

$$K = \frac{2GM}{c^2}$$

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M : Mass associated to the central object
(Total energy content in spacetime)

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Geometrical units: $G = c = 1$

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Asymptotically flat spacetime

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1. If we consider a surface with $t = \text{constant}$ and $r = R = \text{constant}$, i.e. such that $dt = dr = 0$, the remaining terms in the line element are

$$ds^2 = R^2 d\Omega^2 = R^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2),$$

which corresponds to the measure of length on the surface of a sphere of radius R .

We interpret (θ, ϕ) as the usual spherical angular coordinates.

Interpretation of Coordinates in Schwarzschild's Solution

2. Consider a static observer at the coordinates $(r, \theta, \phi) = (R, \theta_0, \phi_0)$, i.e. with $dr = d\theta = d\phi = 0$.
The line element becomes

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{2M}{R} \right) dt^2$$

or in terms of the proper time τ_R of the static observer at radius R ,

$$d\tau_R^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{R} \right) dt^2.$$

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- For $R \longrightarrow 2M$, we have $d\tau_R \longrightarrow 0$.

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A ruler located radially in this spacetime measures dl and not dr .

Gravitational Redshift

The wavelength of an electromagnetic wave is proportional to its period, $\tau = \frac{\lambda}{c}$.

The relation between the wavelength λ as seen by a static observer at radius R and the wavelength λ_∞ as seen by an asymptotic static observer is

$$\lambda = \sqrt{1 - \frac{2M}{R}} \lambda_\infty$$

Gravitational Redshift

The redshift factor z is defined as

$$z = \frac{\lambda_{\infty} - \lambda}{\lambda}$$

from which

$$1 + z = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{R}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

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The infinite value of the line element at this value can be removed with a change of coordinates (e.g. Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates)

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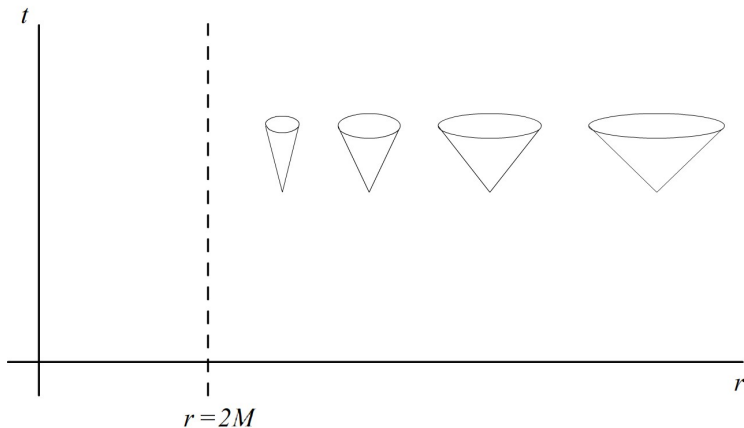
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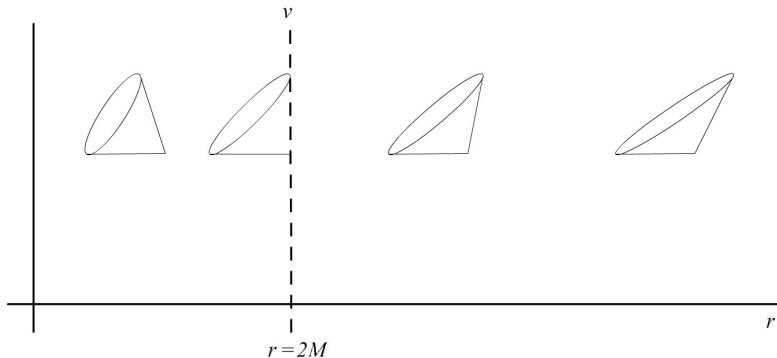
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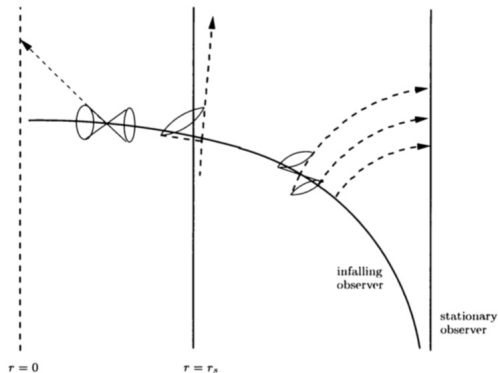
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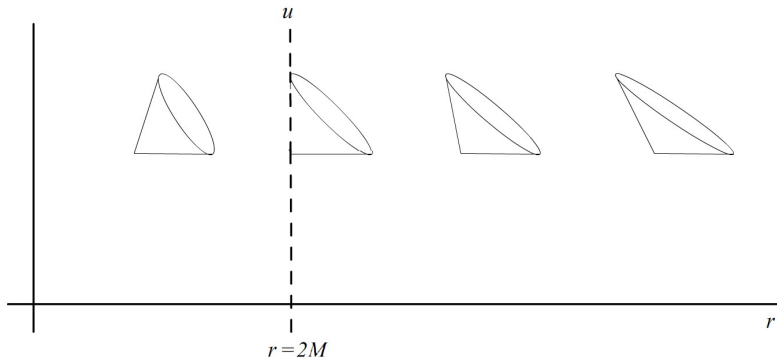
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