

# Spherical solutions for stars

Daniel Wysocki

Rochester Institute of Technology

General Relativity I Presentations

December 14th, 2015



# Introduction



# Spherically symmetric coordinates



# Two-sphere in flat spacetime

## General metric

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + dr^2 + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

## Metric on 2-sphere

$$dl^2 = r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2) \equiv r^2 d\Omega^2$$

# Two-sphere in flat spacetime

## General metric

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + dr^2 + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

## Metric on 2-sphere

$$dl^2 = r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2) \equiv r^2 d\Omega^2$$

# Two-sphere in curved spacetime

## Metric on 2-sphere

$$dl^2 = f(r', t) d\Omega^2$$

## Relation to $r$

$$f(r', t) \equiv r^2$$

# Two-sphere in curved spacetime

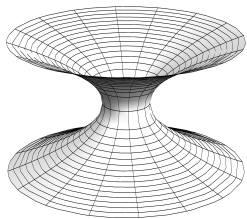
## Metric on 2-sphere

$$dl^2 = f(r', t) d\Omega^2$$

## Relation to $r$

$$f(r', t) \equiv r^2$$

# Meaning of $r$



Mark Hannam

- “curvature” or “area” coordinate
  - radius of curvature and area
- *not* proper distance from center
- $r = \text{const}, t = \text{const}$ 
  - $A = 4\pi r^2$
  - $C = 2\pi r$

Figure:

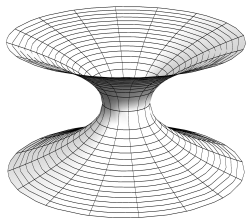
Surface with circular symmetry but no coordinate  $r = 0$ .

---

Schutz (2009, p. 257)



# Meaning of $r$



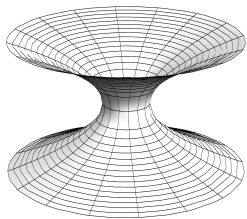
Mark Hannam

Figure:

Surface with circular symmetry but no coordinate  $r = 0$ .

- “curvature” or “area” coordinate
  - radius of curvature and area
- *not* proper distance from center
- $r = \text{const}, t = \text{const}$ 
  - $A = 4\pi r^2$
  - $C = 2\pi r$

# Meaning of $r$



Mark Hannam

Figure:

Surface with circular symmetry but no coordinate  $r = 0$ .

- “curvature” or “area” coordinate
  - radius of curvature and area
- *not* proper distance from center
- $r = \text{const}, t = \text{const}$ 
  - $A = 4\pi r^2$
  - $C = 2\pi r$

# Spherically symmetric spacetime

## General metric

$$ds^2 = g_{00} dt^2 + 2g_{0r} dr dt + g_{rr} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

$g_{00}$ ,  $g_{0r}$ , and  $g_{rr}$  functions of  $t$  and  $r$

# Static spacetimes



# Motivation

- leads to simple derivation of Schwarzschild metric
- generalizes to spherically symmetric, asymptotically flat Einstein vacuum field equations
- Birkhoff's theorem

---

Schutz (2009, p. 263) and Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, p. 843)

# Motivation

- leads to simple derivation of Schwarzschild metric
- generalizes to spherically symmetric, asymptotically flat Einstein vacuum field equations
- Birkhoff's theorem

---

Schutz (2009, p. 263) and Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, p. 843)

# Motivation

- leads to simple derivation of Schwarzschild metric
- generalizes to spherically symmetric, asymptotically flat Einstein vacuum field equations
- Birkhoff's theorem

---

Schutz (2009, p. 263) and Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, p. 843)

# Definition

A spacetime is static if we can find a time coordinate  $t$  for which

(i) the metric independent of  $t$

$$g_{\alpha\beta,t} = 0$$

(ii) the geometry unchanged by time reversal

$$t \rightarrow -t$$



# Definition

A spacetime is static if we can find a time coordinate  $t$  for which

(i) the metric independent of  $t$

$$g_{\alpha\beta,t} = 0$$

(ii) the geometry unchanged by time reversal

$$t \rightarrow -t$$

# Time reversal

$$\Lambda : (t, x, y, z) \rightarrow (-t, x, y, z)$$

$$g_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}} = \Lambda^{\alpha}_{\bar{\alpha}} \Lambda^{\beta}_{\bar{\beta}} g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta}$$

## Transformation

$$\Lambda^0_{\bar{0}} = x^0_{,\bar{0}} = -x^0_{,0} = -1$$

$$\Lambda^i_{\bar{j}} = x^i_{,\bar{j}} = x^i_{,j} = \delta^i_j$$

$$\Lambda^0_{\bar{i}} = x^0_{,\bar{i}} = x^0_{,i} = 0$$

## Metric

$$g_{\bar{0}\bar{0}} = (\Lambda^0_{\bar{0}})^2 g_{00} = g_{00}$$

$$g_{\bar{0}\bar{r}} = \Lambda^0_{\bar{0}} \Lambda^r_{\bar{r}} g_{0r} = -g_{0r}$$

$$g_{\bar{r}\bar{r}} = (\Lambda^r_{\bar{r}})^2 g_{rr} = g_{rr}$$

# Time reversal

$$\Lambda : (t, x, y, z) \rightarrow (-t, x, y, z)$$

$$g_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}} = \Lambda^{\alpha}_{\bar{\alpha}} \Lambda^{\beta}_{\bar{\beta}} g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta}$$

## Transformation

$$\Lambda^0_{\bar{0}} = x^0_{,\bar{0}} = -x^0_{,0} = -1$$

$$\Lambda^i_{\bar{j}} = x^i_{,\bar{j}} = x^i_{,j} = \delta^i_j$$

$$\Lambda^0_{\bar{i}} = x^0_{,\bar{i}} = x^0_{,i} = 0$$

## Metric

$$g_{\bar{0}\bar{0}} = (\Lambda^0_{\bar{0}})^2 g_{00} = g_{00}$$

$$g_{\bar{0}\bar{r}} = \Lambda^0_{\bar{0}} \Lambda^r_{\bar{r}} g_{0r} = -g_{0r}$$

$$g_{\bar{r}\bar{r}} = (\Lambda^r_{\bar{r}})^2 g_{rr} = g_{rr}$$

# Time reversal

$$\Lambda : (t, x, y, z) \rightarrow (-t, x, y, z)$$

$$g_{\bar{\alpha}\bar{\beta}} = \Lambda^{\alpha}_{\bar{\alpha}} \Lambda^{\beta}_{\bar{\beta}} g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta}$$

## Transformation

$$\Lambda^0_{\bar{0}} = x^0_{,\bar{0}} = -x^0_{,0} = -1$$

$$\Lambda^i_{\bar{j}} = x^i_{,\bar{j}} = x^i_{,j} = \delta^i_j$$

$$\Lambda^0_{\bar{i}} = x^0_{,\bar{i}} = x^0_{,i} = 0$$

## Metric

$$g_{\bar{0}\bar{0}} = (\Lambda^0_{\bar{0}})^2 g_{00} = g_{00}$$

$$g_{\bar{0}\bar{r}} = \Lambda^0_{\bar{0}} \Lambda^r_{\bar{r}} g_{0r} = -g_{0r}$$

$$g_{\bar{r}\bar{r}} = (\Lambda^r_{\bar{r}})^2 g_{rr} = g_{rr}$$

# The metric

## Simplified metric

$$ds^2 = g_{00} dt^2 + g_{rr} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

## Replacement

$$g_{00} \rightarrow -e^{2\Phi}, \quad g_{rr} \rightarrow e^{2\Lambda}, \quad \text{provided } g_{00} < 0 < g_{rr}$$

## Static spherically symmetric metric

$$ds^2 = -e^{2\Phi} dt^2 + e^{2\Lambda} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(r) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(r) = 0$$

# The metric

## Simplified metric

$$ds^2 = g_{00} dt^2 + g_{rr} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

## Replacement

$$g_{00} \rightarrow -e^{2\Phi}, \quad g_{rr} \rightarrow e^{2\Lambda}, \quad \text{provided } g_{00} < 0 < g_{rr}$$

## Static spherically symmetric metric

$$ds^2 = -e^{2\Phi} dt^2 + e^{2\Lambda} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(r) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(r) = 0$$

# The metric

## Simplified metric

$$ds^2 = g_{00} dt^2 + g_{rr} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

## Replacement

$$g_{00} \rightarrow -e^{2\Phi}, \quad g_{rr} \rightarrow e^{2\Lambda}, \quad \text{provided } g_{00} < 0 < g_{rr}$$

## Static spherically symmetric metric

$$ds^2 = -e^{2\Phi} dt^2 + e^{2\Lambda} dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2$$

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(r) = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \Lambda(r) = 0$$

# Einstein Tensor

## General Einstein tensor

$$G_{\alpha\beta} = R^{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\alpha\beta}R$$

## Einstein tensor components

$$\begin{aligned} G_{tt} &= \frac{1}{r^2}e^{2\Phi}\frac{d}{dr}[r(1 - e^{-2\Lambda})], \\ G_{rr} &= -\frac{1}{r^2}e^{2\Lambda}(1 - e^{-2\Lambda}) + \frac{2}{r}\Phi' \\ G_{\theta\theta} &= r^2e^{-2\Lambda}[\Phi'' + (\Phi')^2 + \Phi'/r - \Phi'\Lambda' - \Lambda'/r], \\ G_{\phi\phi} &= \sin^2\theta G_{\theta\theta} \end{aligned}$$



# Einstein Tensor

## General Einstein tensor

$$G_{\alpha\beta} = R_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\alpha\beta}R$$

## Einstein tensor components

$$\begin{aligned} G_{tt} &= \frac{1}{r^2}e^{2\Phi}\frac{d}{dr}[r(1 - e^{-2\Lambda})], \\ G_{rr} &= -\frac{1}{r^2}e^{2\Lambda}(1 - e^{-2\Lambda}) + \frac{2}{r}\Phi' \\ G_{\theta\theta} &= r^2e^{-2\Lambda}[\Phi'' + (\Phi')^2 + \Phi'/r - \Phi'\Lambda' - \Lambda'/r], \\ G_{\phi\phi} &= \sin^2\theta G_{\theta\theta} \end{aligned}$$

# Static perfect fluid



# Four-velocity

## Constraints

$$U^i = 0 \text{ (static)} \qquad \vec{U} \cdot \vec{U} = -1 \text{ (conservation law)}$$

## Solving for $U^0$

$$g_{00}(U^0)^2 = -1 \implies U^0 = (-g_{00})^{-1/2} = e^{-\Phi}$$

## Solving for $U_0$

$$U_0 = g_{00}U^0 = -e^{\Phi}$$

# Four-velocity

## Constraints

$$U^i = 0 \text{ (static)} \qquad \vec{U} \cdot \vec{U} = -1 \text{ (conservation law)}$$

## Solving for $U^0$

$$g_{00}(U^0)^2 = -1 \implies U^0 = (-g_{00})^{-1/2} = e^{-\Phi}$$

## Solving for $U_0$

$$U_0 = g_{00}U^0 = -e^{\Phi}$$

# Four-velocity

## Constraints

$$U^i = 0 \text{ (static)} \qquad \vec{U} \cdot \vec{U} = -1 \text{ (conservation law)}$$

## Solving for $U^0$

$$g_{00}(U^0)^2 = -1 \implies U^0 = (-g_{00})^{-1/2} = e^{-\Phi}$$

## Solving for $U_0$

$$U_0 = g_{00}U^0 = -e^{\Phi}$$

# Stress–energy tensor

## $T_{\alpha\beta}$ for perfect fluid

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = (\rho + p)U_{\alpha}U_{\beta} + pg_{\alpha\beta}$$

## Components of $T_{\alpha\beta}$

$$T_{00} = (\rho + p)e^{2\Phi} + p(-e^{2\Phi}) = \rho e^{2\Phi}$$

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = 0 \text{ for } \alpha \neq \beta; \quad T_{ii} = pg_{ii}$$

$$T_{rr} = pe^{2\Lambda}; \quad T_{\theta\theta} = pr^2; \quad T_{\phi\phi} = pr^2 \sin^2 \theta = T_{\theta\theta} \sin^2 \theta$$

# Stress–energy tensor

$T_{\alpha\beta}$  for perfect fluid

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = (\rho + p)U_{\alpha}U_{\beta} + pg_{\alpha\beta}$$

Components of  $T_{\alpha\beta}$

$$T_{00} = (\rho + p)e^{2\Phi} + p(-e^{2\Phi}) = \rho e^{2\Phi}$$

$$T_{\alpha\beta} = 0 \text{ for } \alpha \neq \beta; \quad T_{ii} = pg_{ii}$$

$$T_{rr} = pe^{2\Lambda}; \quad T_{\theta\theta} = pr^2; \quad T_{\phi\phi} = pr^2 \sin^2 \theta = T_{\theta\theta} \sin^2 \theta$$

# Equation of state

## Local thermodynamic equilibrium

$$p = p(\rho, S) \approx p(\rho)$$

- pressure related to energy density and specific entropy
- we often deal with negligibly small entropies



# Equations of motion

## Conservation laws

$$T^{\alpha\beta}_{;\beta} = 0$$

- symmetries make only non-trivial solution  $\alpha = r$   
**TODO:** prove

## Equation of motion

$$(\rho + p) \frac{d\Phi}{dr} = - \frac{d\rho}{dr}$$

# Equations of motion

## Conservation laws

$$T^{\alpha\beta}_{;\beta} = 0$$

- symmetries make only non-trivial solution  $\alpha = r$   
**TODO: prove**

## Equation of motion

$$(\rho + p) \frac{d\Phi}{dr} = -\frac{d\rho}{dr}$$

# Equations of motion

## Conservation laws

$$T^{\alpha\beta}_{;\beta} = 0$$

- symmetries make only non-trivial solution  $\alpha = r$   
**TODO: prove**

## Equation of motion

$$(\rho + p) \frac{d\Phi}{dr} = -\frac{d\rho}{dr}$$

# Equation of motion (continued)

**TODO**

Show 10.31

# Exterior Geometry



# Schwarzschild metric

**TODO**

# Birkhoff's Theorem

Let the geometry of a given region of spacetime:

- ① be spherically symmetric
- ② be a solution to the Einstein field equations in vacuum.

Then that geometry is necessarily a piece of the Schwarzschild geometry.

(Proof given in Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, pp. 843–844))

# Birkhoff's Theorem

Let the geometry of a given region of spacetime:

- ① be spherically symmetric
- ② be a solution to the Einstein field equations in vacuum.

Then that geometry is necessarily a piece of the Schwarzschild geometry.

(Proof given in Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, pp. 843–844))



# Birkhoff's Theorem

Let the geometry of a given region of spacetime:

- 1 be spherically symmetric
- 2 be a solution to the Einstein field equations in vacuum.

Then that geometry is necessarily a piece of the Schwarzschild geometry.

(Proof given in Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, pp. 843–844))

# Birkhoff's Theorem

Let the geometry of a given region of spacetime:

- 1 be spherically symmetric
- 2 be a solution to the Einstein field equations in vacuum.

Then that geometry is necessarily a piece of the Schwarzschild geometry.

(Proof given in Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, pp. 843–844))

# Birkhoff's Theorem






Let the geometry of a given region of spacetime:

- 1 be spherically symmetric
- 2 be a solution to the Einstein field equations in vacuum.

Then that geometry is necessarily a piece of the Schwarzschild geometry.

(Proof given in Misner, Thorne, and Wheeler (1973, pp. 843–844))

# References

-  G. D. Birkhoff and R. E. Langer. *Relativity and modern physics*. 1923.
-  S. M. Carroll. *Spacetime and geometry. An introduction to general relativity*. 2004.
-  C. W. Misner, K. S. Thorne, and J. A. Wheeler. *Gravitation*. 1973.
-  B. Schutz. *A First Course in General Relativity*. May 2009.
-  N. Stergioulas. Rotating Stars in Relativity. *Living reviews in relativity*, 6:3, June 2003. [Online; accessed 2015-12-09]. DOI: 10.12942/lrr-2003-3. eprint: gr-qc/0302034.