

# Riemann Curvature:

The Riemann tensor is given by

$$R_{\sigma\mu\nu}^{\rho} := \partial_{\mu}\Gamma_{\nu\sigma}^{\rho} - \partial_{\nu}\Gamma_{\mu\sigma}^{\rho} + \Gamma_{\mu\lambda}^{\rho}\Gamma_{\nu\sigma}^{\lambda} - \Gamma_{\nu\lambda}^{\rho}\Gamma_{\mu\sigma}^{\lambda}$$

where the  $\Gamma_{jk}^i$  is the Christoffel symbol of second kind, which is given by

$$\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha} = \frac{1}{2}g^{\alpha\delta}(-\partial_{\delta}g_{\mu\nu} + \partial_{\mu}g_{\delta\nu} + \partial_{\nu}g_{\delta\mu})$$

On the other hand, the Ricci tensor is defined as the contraction with the Riemann tensor, this is

$$R_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\rho\nu}^{\rho}$$

and the Ricci scalar is defined in terms of the Ricci tensor as follows

$$R = g^{\mu\nu}R_{\mu\nu}$$

The first step is to define the metric tensor its inverse, and the set of coordinates that we will work on.

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In[1]:= g = \{ \{ 1 + \frac{x^2}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2}, \left( \frac{x y}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} \right) \}, \{ \left( \frac{x y}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} \right), 1 + \frac{y^2}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} \} \};  
ginv = Inverse[g];  
dim = Dimensions[g][1];  
coords = {x, y};
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Let's display the metric and it's inverse:

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In[5]:= g // MatrixForm  
Out[5]//MatrixForm=  
 \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 + \frac{x^2}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} & \frac{x y}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} \\ \frac{x y}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} & 1 + \frac{y^2}{L^2 - x^2 - y^2} \end{array} \right)  
  
In[6]:= Simplify[ginv] // MatrixForm  
Out[6]//MatrixForm=  
 \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 - \frac{x^2}{L^2} & -\frac{x y}{L^2} \\ -\frac{x y}{L^2} & 1 - \frac{y^2}{L^2} \end{array} \right)
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Now, let's compute the Christoffel symbol of the second kind:

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In[7]:=  $\Gamma = \text{Table}[\text{Simplify}\left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\delta} \text{ginv}[\alpha, \delta] \times \left(-D[g[\mu, \nu], \text{coords}[\delta]] + D[g[\delta, \nu], \text{coords}[\mu]] + D[g[\delta, \mu], \text{coords}[\nu]]\right), \{\delta, 1, \text{dim}\}]\right], \{\alpha, 1, \text{dim}\}, \{\mu, 1, \text{dim}\}, \{\nu, 1, \text{dim}\}]$ 
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Out[7]=  $\left\{\left\{\left\{\left\{\frac{x (L^2 - y^2)}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, \frac{x^2 y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}, \left\{\frac{x^2 y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, \frac{x (L^2 - x^2)}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}\right\}, \left\{\left\{\frac{y (L^2 - y^2)}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, \frac{x y^2}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}, \left\{\frac{x y^2}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, \frac{(L^2 - x^2) y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}\right\}\right\}$ 
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Since this object has 3 indices, and the number of dimensions is 2, the shape of this object is expected to be {3,3,3}, let's check that:

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In[8]:= Dimensions[\Gamma] = {4, 4, 4}
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Out[8]= False
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Great, now let's move on let's compute the Riemann tensor:

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In[9]:= rTensor = Table[
  Simplify[
    D[\Gamma[\rho, \nu, \sigma], \text{coords}[\mu]] - D[\Gamma[\rho, \mu, \sigma], \text{coords}[\nu]] +
    Sum[\Gamma[\rho, \mu, \lambda] \times \Gamma[\lambda, \nu, \sigma], \{\lambda, 1, \text{dim}\}] - Sum[\Gamma[\rho, \nu, \lambda] \times \Gamma[\lambda, \mu, \sigma], \{\lambda, 1, \text{dim}\}]
  ], \{\rho, 1, \text{dim}\}, \{\sigma, 1, \text{dim}\}, \{\mu, 1, \text{dim}\}, \{\nu, 1, \text{dim}\}]
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Out[9]=  $\left\{\left\{\left\{\left\{0, \frac{x y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}, \left\{-\frac{x y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, 0\right\}\right\}, \left\{\left\{0, \frac{L^2 - x^2}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}, \left\{\frac{-L^2 + x^2}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, 0\right\}\right\}\right\}, \left\{\left\{\left\{0, \frac{-L^2 + y^2}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}, \left\{\frac{L^2 - y^2}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, 0\right\}\right\}, \left\{\left\{0, -\frac{x y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}\right\}, \left\{\frac{x y}{L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, 0\right\}\right\}\right\}\right\}$ 
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Since this tensor does not vanish for all its components, we can conclude that the space is not flat. Even more, this object is a good tensor, and the shape of this object is expected to be {2,2,2,2}, so let's check again for this

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In[10]:= Dimensions[rTensor] = {4, 4, 4, 4}
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Out[10]= False
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Now let's compute the version of the Riemann tensor with all the indices down:

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In[11]:= rDown = Table[Simplify[Sum[g[[i, m]] rTensor[[m, j, k, l], {m, 1, dim}]], {i, 1, dim}, {j, 1, dim}, {k, 1, dim}, {l, 1, dim}]

Out[11]=
{{{{0, 0}, {0, 0}}, {{0, 1/(L^2 - x^2 - y^2)}, {1/(-L^2 + x^2 + y^2), 0}}}, {{{{0, 1/(-L^2 + x^2 + y^2)}, {1/(L^2 - x^2 - y^2), 0}}, {{0, 0}, {0, 0}}}}}
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And as we can see, the shape remains the same, as expected:

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In[12]:= Dimensions[rDown]

Out[12]=
{2, 2, 2, 2}
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And we can also compute the Ricci tensor:

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In[13]:= ricci = Table[Sum[rTensor[ρ, μ, ρ, ν], {ρ, 1, dim}], {μ, 1, dim}, {ν, 1, dim}]

Out[13]=
{{{{L^2 - y^2}/(L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)), (x y)/(L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2))}, {{x y}/(L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2)), (L^2 - x^2)/(L^2 (L^2 - x^2 - y^2))}}}
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And check that indeed it has the right shape:

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In[14]:= Dimensions[ricci] == {4, 4}

Out[14]=
False
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Finally, we can compute the Ricci scalar:

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In[15]:= ricciScalar = Simplify[Sum[ginv[μ, ν] ricci[μ, ν], {μ, 1, dim}, {ν, 1, dim}]] 

Out[15]=
2
L^2
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