

## TAREA 6 DE RELATIVIDAD GENERAL

Fecha límite de entrega: POR DETERMINAR. Tarea INDIVIDUAL.

### 1. Nombre

- 29** In polar coordinates, calculate the Riemann curvature tensor of the sphere of unit radius, whose metric is given in Exer. 28. (Note that in two dimensions there is only *one* independent component, by the same arguments as in Exer. 18(b). So calculate  $R_{\theta\phi\theta\phi}$  and obtain all other components in terms of it.)
- 32** A four-dimensional manifold has coordinates  $(u, v, w, p)$  in which the metric has components  $g_{uv} = g_{ww} = g_{pp} = 1$ , all other independent components vanishing.
- (a) Show that the manifold is flat and the signature is  $+2$ .
- (b) The result in (a) implies the manifold must be Minkowski spacetime. Find a coordinate transformation to the usual coordinates  $(t, x, y, z)$ . (You may find it a useful hint to calculate  $\vec{e}_v \cdot \vec{e}_v$  and  $\vec{e}_u \cdot \vec{e}_u$ .)
- 35** Compute 20 independent components of  $R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}$  for a manifold with line element  $ds^2 = -e^{2\Phi} dt^2 + e^{2\Lambda} dr^2 + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$ , where  $\Phi$  and  $\Lambda$  are arbitrary functions of the coordinate  $r$  alone. (First, identify the coordinates and the components  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ ; then compute  $g^{\alpha\beta}$  and the Christoffel symbols. Then decide on the indices of the 20 components of  $R_{\alpha\beta\mu\nu}$  you wish to calculate, and compute them. Remember that you can deduce the remaining 236 components from those 20.)
- 3** Calculate all the Christoffel symbols for the metric given by Eq. (7.8), to first order in  $\phi$ . Assume  $\phi$  is a general function of  $t, x, y$ , and  $z$ .
- 3** (a) Calculate in geometrized units:
- (i) the Newtonian potential  $\phi$  of the Sun at the Sun's surface, radius  $6.960 \times 10^8$  m;
- (ii) the Newtonian potential  $\phi$  of the Sun at the radius of Earth's orbit,  $r = 1 \text{ AU} = 1.496 \times 10^{11}$  m;
- (iii) the Newtonian potential  $\phi$  of Earth at its surface, radius  $= 6.371 \times 10^6$  m;
- (iv) the velocity of Earth in its orbit around the Sun.
- (b) You should have found that your answer to (ii) was larger than to (iii). Why, then, do we on Earth feel Earth's gravitational pull much more than the Sun's?
- (c) Show that a circular orbit around a body of mass  $M$  has an orbital velocity, in Newtonian theory, of  $v^2 = -\phi$ , where  $\phi$  is the Newtonian potential.