

Gh "cheat sheet"
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- A small, non-rotating, freely-falling frame in a grav. field is an inertial frame
- Strong EAV principle \rightarrow all physics reduce to SR in a freely falling frame
- Weak EAV principle \rightarrow all point particles fall w/ same rate in g. field \rightarrow good for GR, not QM
 \hookrightarrow we use fluid

Gauss $\oint \tilde{F} \cdot d\tilde{\alpha} = \int_D F \cdot d^3r$ Stokes $\oint \tilde{E} \cdot d\tilde{\alpha} = \int (\tilde{\nabla} \times \tilde{F}) \cdot d\tilde{\alpha}$

Maxwell $\tilde{\nabla} \cdot \tilde{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$, $\tilde{\nabla} \cdot \tilde{B} = 0$, $\tilde{\nabla} \times \tilde{E} = -\frac{\partial \tilde{B}}{\partial t}$, $\tilde{\nabla} \times \tilde{B} = \mu_0 \tilde{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \tilde{E}}{\partial t}$

Theorem $d\tilde{x}' d\tilde{x}^2 \dots d\tilde{x}^n = \det(U) dx' dx^2 \dots dx^n$ by "U is the Jacobian!"

Basis vector $\tilde{e}^i = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^j}$ (natural), $\tilde{e}^i = \tilde{x}^j e_j^i$ (dual), $\tilde{g}^{ij} \tilde{e}_j^i = \delta_j^i$

Properties $\tilde{\gamma}^i_{jk} = \tilde{\gamma}^i_{j|i} = \tilde{\gamma}^i_{i|k} = g_{ij} \tilde{e}^i_{|k} = g^{ij} \tilde{\gamma}_{ik} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \tilde{e}^i \tilde{e}^j = g^{ij}, \\ \tilde{e}^i \tilde{e}_j = g_{ij} \end{array} \right.$

and $\text{metric tensor} \quad \text{metric tensor} \quad \text{In Cartesian, } [g_{ij}] = I$

metric tensor

metric tensor

line element

"length" $L = \int \sqrt{g_{ij} dx^i dx^j}$

$ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j$

$= \int_a^b \sqrt{g_{ij} \dot{x}^i \dot{x}^j} dt$

Derivation $\left| \frac{d\tilde{x}^i}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{dx^i}{dt} \cdot \frac{dx^i}{dt}} = \sqrt{\tilde{e}_i \cdot dx^i \cdot \tilde{e}_i \cdot dx^i} = \sqrt{g_{ij} dx^i dx^j} = ds$

In matrix $\tilde{\gamma}^i_{jk} = \tilde{\gamma}^i_{j|i} = g_{ij} \tilde{\gamma}^i_{i|k} = [\tilde{\gamma}^i_j] [\tilde{g}_{ij}] [\tilde{e}_i] = L^T G M$

$[g_{ij}] = [g^{ij}]^{-1}$

Lowering of indices

\tilde{e}_i

$L^+ = G L$

Raising of indices

\tilde{e}^i

$L = G^T L^+$

Coordinate Transforms

$$\tilde{e}_j = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^j} = \frac{\partial \tilde{x}^i}{\partial x^i} \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial x^j} = U_j^i \tilde{e}_i$$

Properties

$$\tilde{\gamma} = \tilde{\gamma}^i \tilde{e}_i = \tilde{\gamma}^i U_j^i \tilde{e}_j = \tilde{\gamma}^j \tilde{e}_j$$

$$g^j = U_i^j \tilde{\gamma}^i$$

$\hookrightarrow [U_i^k, U_j^l] = \delta_j^k, U_i^k U_j^l = \delta_j^k$

(same for covariants + contravariants)

$$\text{EM Field strength}$$

$$[F^{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E^1/c & E^2/c & E^3/c \\ -E^1/c & 0 & B^3 & -B^2 \\ -E^2/c & -B^3 & 0 & B^1 \\ -E^3/c & B^2 & -B^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow F^{\mu\nu} = -F^{\nu\mu} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 j^\nu \\ \partial_\nu F_{\mu\nu} + \partial_\mu F_{\nu\mu} + \partial_\nu F_{\mu\nu} = 0 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$j^\mu = (\rho c, \vec{j}) \quad \frac{1}{\mu_0 c_0} = c^2$$

Components, rest coordinates
But partials of coords

(p. 38) Vector: obj whose components transform as $\tilde{v}^i = U_i^j v^j$, $v^i = v^i(u^i)$

Tensor: obj whose components transform as vector components (multi-dim)

$$\rightarrow g_{ij} = (U_i^k \vec{e}_k) \cdot (U_j^l \vec{e}_l) = U_i^k U_j^l g_{kl}$$

$$\therefore g^{ij} = U_i^m U_j^n g^{kl} \quad \text{Type (r,s) } \rightarrow r \text{ contravariant, s covariant.}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{as matrices } [g^{ij}] = [U_i^m] [g^{kl}] [U_j^n]^T \quad \{$$

$$[F^{\alpha\beta}]$$

$$[\eta_{\beta\gamma}]$$

Scalars

(0,0) tensor, invariant.

$$\text{and } [g_{ij}] = [U_i^m] [g_{kl}] [U_j^n]$$

Show line element = scalar:

$$\textcircled{*} g_{ij} dx^i dx^j = g_{kl} U_i^k U_j^l U_m^l U_n^m U_n^l U_k^m = g_{kl} d\mu^k d\mu^l = g_{kl} d\mu^k d\mu^l$$

$$\text{Summary } T^{ij}_{kl} = U_i^m U_j^n U_k^l U_l^n T^{mn}$$

invariant.

$$(SR) [\eta_{\mu\nu}] = \text{diag}(1, -1, -1, -1) = [\eta^{\mu\nu}] \quad (\text{Minkowski metric tensor})$$

$$= [\eta_{\mu' \nu'}] = [\eta^{\mu' \nu'}] \quad \left[ds^2 = \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu \right] \quad \left[\mu^0 = \bar{\mu}_0, \text{ but} \right]$$

covariant basis $\mu^0 = \eta^{\mu\nu} \bar{\mu}_\nu$ $\mu^i = -\bar{\mu}_i$
 $(\lambda = -x) \quad (t = -\bar{\mu})$

Lorentz Transform \rightarrow Poincaré Transform (1) boost (2) translate (3) spatial rotate (4) space point (5) time reverse

Hypergen (rotate)	\rightarrow Boost	$[\Lambda^{\mu'}_\mu] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\beta & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow$ constant	of vectors under LTs.
Imogen (no translate)	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} X_\mu = \eta_{\mu\nu} X^\nu \\ X'^\mu = \eta^{\mu\nu} X_\nu \end{array} \right. \rightarrow$	$[\Lambda^\nu_\mu] = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ \beta & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	
Impose (reverse)			
Propose (boost)			

+ rotate \rightarrow Boost along $y \Rightarrow$ rotate $\frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow$ boost + rotate \rightarrow rotate $-\frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\text{Poincaré } X^{\mu'} = \Lambda^{\mu'}_\mu X^\mu + a^{\mu'} \quad (+\text{translate} + \text{rotate} + \text{boost})$$

$$\eta^{\mu'\nu'} = \Lambda^{\mu'}_\mu \Lambda^{\nu'}_\nu \eta_{\alpha\beta}$$

invariant!

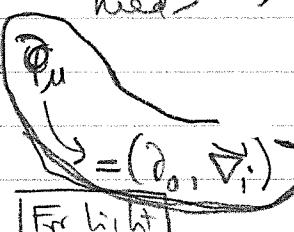
$$\text{Summary } \delta^\mu_{\mu'} = \Lambda^{\mu'}_\mu \Lambda^{\nu'}_\nu \gamma^\mu \gamma^\nu$$

→ properties

X^μ not vector if $a^\mu \neq 0$ ($X^\mu = \Lambda^{\mu'}_\mu X'^{\mu'}$)

But dX^μ , $\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x^\mu}$ are vectors need \rightarrow

$$\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x^\mu} = \partial_\mu \mu$$



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_\mu = \eta_{\mu\nu} \partial^\nu \\ \partial^\mu = \eta^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{For light } u^\mu u_\mu = 0 \rightarrow \sigma$$

$$\text{Time-like: } \tilde{v} \text{ spacelike, } |\tilde{v}| > 0 \quad N, \text{ if } V^\mu \neq \Lambda^{\mu'}_\nu V'^{\nu} \quad \text{where } \Lambda^{\mu'}_\nu = \Lambda^{\mu'}_\mu \Lambda^{\nu'}_\nu$$

$$u^\mu u_\mu = c^2 (\text{inv}), \quad \frac{dt}{dx} = \gamma \quad u^\mu = \frac{dx^\mu}{dt}, \quad p^\mu = (\gamma m c, \gamma m v^\mu)$$

Exam Practice

1. Consider flat 3-dimensional Euclidean space. The transformation matrix $U_j^{i'}$ from Cartesian coordinates $u^j = (x, y, z)$ to spherical coordinates $u^{j'} = (r, \theta, \phi)$ is

$$[U_j^{i'}] = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \\ \frac{1}{r} \cos \theta \cos \phi & \frac{1}{r} \cos \theta \sin \phi & -\frac{1}{r} \sin \theta \\ -\frac{\sin \phi}{r \sin \theta} & \frac{\cos \phi}{r \sin \theta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \text{A}$$

Using that the metric with upper indices in the Cartesian frame is

$$g^{ij} = \partial_u^i \partial_v^j g^{kl}$$

find the metric $g^{i'j'}$ in the spherical-coordinate system (where i', j' denote r, θ, ϕ) as a transformation with $U_j^{i'}$.

$$\delta^{ij} = v_e^i v_e^j \overset{\text{def}}{=} \underset{\substack{\text{I} \\ \text{II}}}{\cancel{v_e^i v_e^j}} = [v_e^i v_e^j]^\top = A A^\top = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \frac{r^2}{r^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{r^2}{r^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{r^2}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Consider a tensor $T^{\mu\nu}$ in Minkowski spacetime using Cartesian coordinates. The components of $T^{\mu\nu}$ defined in matrix form are

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \partial_\alpha \partial^\nu T = T^{\mu\rho} T_{\rho\lambda} q^\lambda = g^{\mu\nu}$$

$$2a - 2b = 1$$

$$b + d = 0$$

$$c + 3d = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}2a + i + h &= 1 \\ -a + 3i + 2h &= 0\end{aligned}$$

Also consider a vector V^μ with contravariant components

$$e = 0$$

Find the following:

$$(a) \text{ the components of } [T_{\mu\nu}] = [T^{\mu\nu}]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & s & e \\ i & h & l \\ j & m & o \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b) V^\mu V_\mu = 1 - 4 - 0 + 4 = \cancel{4} - 7$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ e & f & g & h \\ i & j & k & l \\ m & n & o & p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(c) V^\mu V^\nu T_{\mu\nu} = V^0 V^0 T_{00} + V^1 V^1 T_{11} + V^2 V^2 T_{22} + V^3 V^3 T_{33}$$

$$\text{HOT } T_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{(c) } V^\mu V^\nu T_{\mu\nu} = V^0 V^0 T_{00} + V^1 V^1 T_{11} + V^2 V^2 T_{22} + V^3 V^3 T_{33}$$

$$[T^{\alpha\beta}] = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2a + b - c &= 1 \\ -a + 3b + 2c &= 0 \\ 2a + b + 2c &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$[T_{\mu\nu}] = ? = [T^{\alpha\beta}]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a & d & g & j \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ b & e & h & k \\ c & f & i & m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 & -1/12 & -5/24 & 5/24 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/4 & 1/4 \\ 1/4 & 1/4 & 1/8 & -2/24 \\ -1/4 & 1/12 & -1/8 & 7/24 \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$[T_{\mu\nu}] = \gamma_{\mu\alpha} \gamma_{\nu\beta} T^{\alpha\beta} = [\gamma_{\mu\alpha}] [T^{\alpha\beta}] [\gamma_{\nu\beta}]^T$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & -1 & & \\ & & -1 & \\ & & & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$V^\mu V^\nu T_{\mu\nu} = [V^\mu]^T [T_{\mu\nu}] [V^\nu] = -14$$

$$x = \gamma(x' + \beta c)$$

$$\alpha' = \gamma(\alpha' + \beta x)$$

$$y = y'$$

$$z = z'$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma \beta & \gamma c \\ \gamma & \gamma \beta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\gamma c & 0 & 0 \\ -\gamma c & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Practice #4

True or False (in Minkowski spacetime)?

1. $\lambda \cdot \lambda \geq 0$

F spacelike

$$(F \text{ is spacelike}) \Rightarrow F$$

2. $\eta^{\mu\nu}\eta_{\nu\sigma} = \delta^\mu_\sigma$

T

3. $\Lambda^\mu_{\nu'}\Lambda^{\nu'}_\sigma = \delta^\mu_\sigma$

T

4. $[\eta_{\mu'\nu'}] = [\eta_{\alpha\beta}] = [\eta^{\rho'\sigma'}] = [\eta^{\lambda\zeta}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

T

5. $\Lambda_\mu^{\alpha'}\Lambda_\nu^{\beta'}\eta_{\alpha'\beta'} = \eta_{\mu\nu}$

T

6. $\vec{e}_\mu \cdot \vec{e}_\nu = \eta_{\mu\nu}$

T

7. $\eta_{\mu\nu}a^\mu b_\sigma c^\sigma d^\nu = a_\alpha d^\alpha b_\beta c^\beta$

$a_\alpha b_\beta c^\alpha d^\beta$

T

8. $L = \int \sqrt{|\eta_{\mu\nu}dx^\mu dx^\nu|}$

T

9. $\Lambda_\alpha^{\mu'}\Lambda_\beta^{\nu'} = \eta^{\mu'\nu'}\eta_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow$ gitternich Basis

F

10. $\eta^{\mu\nu}\eta_{\nu\sigma}\eta^{\sigma\rho}\eta_{\rho\mu} = 4$

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$$\delta^\mu_\sigma \cdot \delta^\sigma_\mu$$



### Practice #3

Connect the items on the left with the ones on the right.

$4 \times 4$

$\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$4 \times 4$

$\eta_{\mu\nu}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$3 \times 3$

$U_j^{i'}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\frac{\gamma v}{c} & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{\gamma v}{c} & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$4 \times 4$

$\delta_{\mu}^{\nu}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$3 \times 3$

$g_{ij}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$



## Practice #2

State in words what each of the following is, does, and/or means:

(natural) 1.  $\tilde{e}_i \Rightarrow$  unit vec cov. to contravariant component

(dual) (cont) 2.  $\tilde{e}^j \Rightarrow$  unit vec cov. to covariant component

3.  $\delta_j^i \Rightarrow$  kronecker delta = 1 if  $i=j$ , 0 if  $j \neq i$

4.  $\lambda^i \Rightarrow$  contravariant vector component

5.  $\lambda_k \Rightarrow$  covariant vector component

6.  $g_{ij} \Rightarrow \tilde{e}^i \cdot \tilde{e}^j$  metric tensor in general coords

7.  $g^{ij} \Rightarrow \tilde{e}^i \cdot \tilde{e}^j$  inverse metric tensor

8.  $\nabla u^i \Rightarrow \tilde{e}^i$  (Dual Basis)  $\{\tilde{e}^i\}$

9.  $\frac{\partial \tilde{r}}{\partial \omega} \Rightarrow \tilde{e}_j$  (natural basis vector)

10.  $L = \int |\dot{r}(\sigma)| d\sigma \Rightarrow$  arc length

11.  $ds^2 = g_{ij} du^i du^j \Rightarrow$  line element in general coords

12.  $ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2 \Rightarrow$  line element in Cartesian

13.  $ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2 \Rightarrow$  line element in spherical coords

coord transfor<sup>m</sup> 14.  $u^{i'} = u^i(u^j) \Rightarrow$  parametrization of  $i'$  with  $i$

15.  $\lambda^{i'} = U_j^{i'} \lambda^j \Rightarrow$  defines a vector. Then components transform  $\mathcal{J} \rightarrow i'$

16.  $U_j^{i'} \Rightarrow$  Jacobian, transforms components  $j \leftrightarrow i'$  to covariant

17.  $U_{i'}^j \Rightarrow$  Jacobian, dual basis components  $i' \leftrightarrow j$  for covariant

18.  $\left[ \frac{\partial u^{i'}}{\partial \omega} \right] \Rightarrow [U_{i'}^j] \rightarrow$  Jacobian

flat space 19.  $[g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$  metric tensor w/ matrix rep. (for Cartesian)

20.  $[g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow$  metric tensor in metric, i.e. spherical



## Practice #1

1. Write out each of the following sums ( $i, j, \dots = 1, 2, 3$ ). Simplify the resulting expressions where appropriate.

$$(a) \lambda^i \lambda_i = \lambda^1 \lambda_1 + \lambda^2 \lambda_2 + \lambda^3 \lambda_3 = \sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda^i \lambda_i = \lambda \cdot \lambda = \|\vec{\lambda}\|^2$$

$$(b) \lambda^j \lambda_j = \lambda^1 \lambda_1 + \lambda^2 \lambda_2 + \lambda^3 \lambda_3 = \sum_{j=1}^3 \lambda^j \lambda_j = \|\vec{\lambda}\|^2$$

$$(c) \delta_j^i a^j = a^i$$

$$(d) a_k \delta_1^k = a_1$$

$$(e) \vec{e}^i \cdot \vec{e}_i = \sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{e}^i \vec{e}_i = \vec{e}^1 \vec{e}_1 + \vec{e}^2 \vec{e}_2 + \vec{e}^3 \vec{e}_3 = 3 = \delta_i^i$$

2. How do you write the following using the suffix notation?

$$(a_1 b^1 + a_2 b^2 + a_3 b^3)(f_1 g^1 + f_2 g^2 + f_3 g^3) =$$

$$a_i b^i \cdot f_j g^j$$

$$\vec{\lambda} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda^i e_i = \lambda^i e_i$$

$$\vec{v} = \sum_{j=1}^3 v^j e_j = v^j e_j$$

$$\vec{g} \cdot \vec{h} = \sum_i g^i e_i \cdot \sum_j h^j e_j$$

$$= \sum_i \cancel{g^i e_i} \cdot \cancel{h^i e_i}$$

3. How many equations are each of the following?

$$(a) a_i b_j c^k = \Gamma_{ij}^k \quad 27$$

$$(b) a_i b^i = 5 \quad 1$$

$$(c) \vec{e}^i \cdot \vec{e}_j = \delta_j^i \quad 9$$

$$(d) a_i b_j \delta_k^j = c_i d_k \quad 9$$

$$a_i b_k = c_i d_k$$

4. State whether the following are valid or invalid equations:

$$(a) g^{ij} a_j = a^i \quad (\text{valid})$$

$$(b) a^k b_k = g^{ij} a_i b_j = a^j b_j \quad (\text{valid})$$

~~(c)  $\delta_j^i g_{ik} = g_{jk}$~~   $=$  ~~not valid~~  $\quad (\text{valid})$

~~(d)  $g^{ij} g_{ij} = 1$~~   $\quad (\text{NOT valid})$

$(i, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots)$

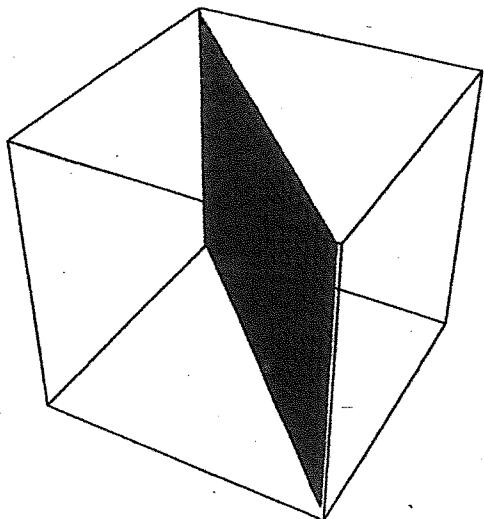
$$\vec{g} = g^i e_i = \sum_i g^i e_i$$

$$\sum_i g^i e_i \cdot \sum_j g_j e_i = \sum_i g^i g_i = \sum_i g^i$$

$$\int g^{ij} g_{ij} = 3 \quad \checkmark$$



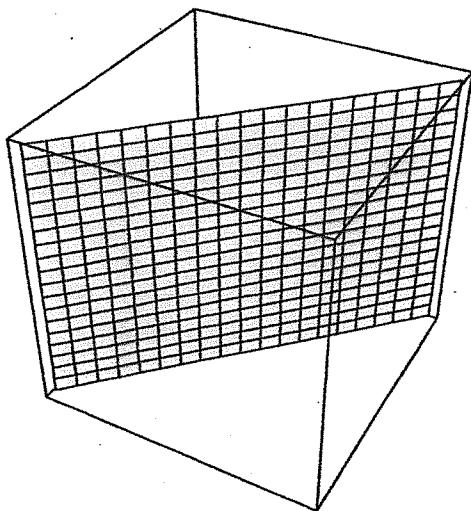
`ParametricPlot3D[{x, 2 - x, z}, {x, -25, 25}, {z, -25, 25}, Ticks → None]`



$$u = \frac{1}{2}(x+y)$$

$$u = \text{const}$$

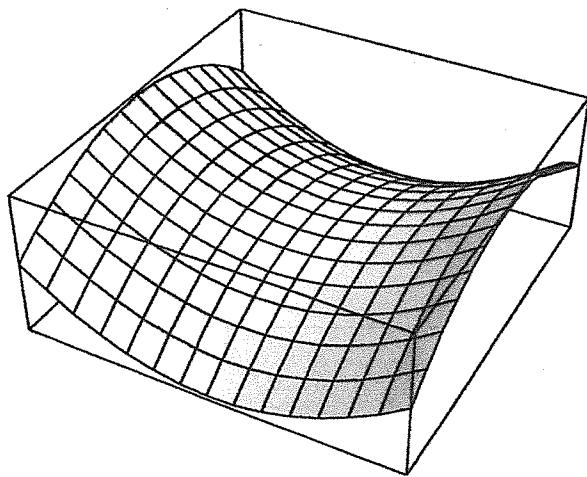
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$$v = \frac{1}{2}(x-y)$$

$$v = \text{const}$$

`Plot3D[(1/2)*(x^2 - y^2), {x, -25, 25}, {y, -25, 25}, Ticks → None]`



$$w = z - \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - y^2)$$

$$w = \text{const}$$



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# Review of Vector Calculus

Scalar functions:

$$f = f(x, y, z)$$

Partial derivatives:

$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Rightarrow$  gives the rate of change of  $f$  along  $x$ , with  $y$  and  $z$  fixed

Chain rules:

1. For a function of a single variable  $f = f(x)$  where  $x = x(t)$

$$\frac{df}{dt} = \frac{df}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt}$$

2. For a function  $f = f(x, y)$  with  $x = x(s), y = y(s)$

$$\frac{df}{ds} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{dx}{ds} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{dy}{ds}$$

3. For a function  $f = f(x, y, z)$  with  $x = x(s, t), y = y(s, t), z = z(s, t)$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial s} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial s}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial t}$$

Gradients:

$$\vec{\nabla} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

$\vec{\nabla} f \Rightarrow$  points along direction of maximum increase in  $f$

$\vec{\nabla} f \cdot \hat{v} \Rightarrow$  directional derivative (rate of change of  $f$  along direction  $\hat{v}$ )

Position vector:

$$\vec{r} = x \hat{i} + y \hat{j} + z \hat{k}$$

Parameterized curve or trajectory ( $t$  = parameter) in 3D space:

$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t) \hat{i} + y(t) \hat{j} + z(t) \hat{k}$$

Tangent vector (velocity if  $t$  = time):

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \dot{\vec{r}}(t) = \frac{dx}{dt} \hat{i} + \frac{dy}{dt} \hat{j} + \frac{dz}{dt} \hat{k}$$

$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \dot{\vec{r}}(t) \Rightarrow \text{vector tangent to the curve } \vec{r}(t)$$

Length of a curve along  $\vec{r}(t)$  for  $a \leq t \leq b$ :

$$L = \int_a^b |d\vec{r}| = \int_a^b \left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right| dt$$

Vector functions:

$$\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = F_x(x, y, z) \hat{i} + F_y(x, y, z) \hat{j} + F_z(x, y, z) \hat{k}$$

Divergence:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z}$$

Curl:

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ F_x & F_y & F_z \end{vmatrix} = \hat{i}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}F_z - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}F_y\right) - \hat{j}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}F_z - \frac{\partial}{\partial z}F_x\right) + \hat{k}\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial x}F_y - \frac{\partial}{\partial y}F_x\right)$$

Line integral of  $\vec{F}$  along curve  $\vec{r}(s)$  for  $a \leq s \leq b$ :

$$\int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(s)) \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} ds \Rightarrow \text{sum of components of } \vec{F} \text{ along curve } \vec{r}(s)$$

Surface integral of  $\vec{F}$ :

$$\int_A \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a} \Rightarrow \text{flux of } \vec{F} \text{ through surface } A$$

Gauss' theorem:

$$\int_A \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_V \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} d^3r$$

Stoke's theorem:

$$\oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_A (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F}) \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$\Sigma \oplus \Sigma$

## GR FORMULAS

Metric:

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

Connection:

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

Geodesic Equation:

$$\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} + \Gamma_{\nu\sigma}^\mu \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\sigma}{d\tau} = 0$$

Spacetime Covariant Derivatives:

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{;\mu} &= \partial_\mu \phi \\ A^\nu_{;\mu} &= \partial_\mu A^\nu + \Gamma^\nu_{\mu\sigma} A^\sigma \\ A_{\nu;\mu} &= \partial_\mu A_\nu - \Gamma^\sigma_{\mu\nu} A_\sigma \\ B^{\nu\lambda}_{\sigma;\mu} &= \partial_\mu B^{\nu\lambda}_\sigma + \Gamma^\nu_{\mu\rho} B^{\rho\lambda}_\sigma + \Gamma^\lambda_{\mu\rho} B^{\nu\rho}_\sigma - \Gamma^\rho_{\mu\sigma} B^{\nu\lambda}_\rho\end{aligned}$$

Curvature:

$$\begin{aligned}R^\mu_{\nu\lambda\sigma} &= \partial_\lambda \Gamma^\mu_{\nu\sigma} - \partial_\sigma \Gamma^\mu_{\nu\lambda} + \Gamma^\rho_{\nu\sigma} \Gamma^\mu_{\rho\lambda} - \Gamma^\rho_{\nu\lambda} \Gamma^\mu_{\rho\sigma} \\ R_{\mu\nu} &= R^\lambda_{\mu\nu\lambda} \\ R &= R^\lambda_\lambda\end{aligned}$$

Einstein's Equations (without and with  $\Lambda$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g^{\mu\nu} &= -\frac{8\pi G}{c^2} T^{\mu\nu} \\ R^{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g^{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g^{\mu\nu} &= -\frac{8\pi G}{c^2} T^{\mu\nu}\end{aligned}$$

Schwarzshild metric:

$$c^2 d\tau^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r}\right) c^2 dt^2 - \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d\theta^2 - r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

FRW metric:

$$d\tau^2 = dt^2 - R(t)^2 \left( (1 - kr^2)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2 \right)$$



# Review of Special Relativity

Postulates of special relativity:

1. The laws of physics are the same in all inertial reference frames.
2. The speed of light (in a vacuum) is the same in all inertial reference frames.

Time dilation and length contraction ( $\Delta t_0$  = proper time,  $L_0$  = proper length):

$$\Delta t = \gamma \Delta t_0 \quad L = \frac{L_0}{\gamma}$$

Lorentz factor:

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \quad \beta = \frac{v}{c}$$

Lorentz transformations (for relative motion along  $x$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} x' &= \gamma(x - vt) & x &= \gamma(x' + vt') \\ y' &= y & y &= y' \\ z' &= z & z &= z' \\ t' &= \gamma(t - \frac{v}{c^2}x) & t &= \gamma(t' + \frac{v}{c^2}x') \end{aligned}$$

Spacetime coordinates:

$$(x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3) = \text{position 4-vector}$$

$$x^0 = ct$$

$$x^1 = x$$

$$x^2 = y$$

$$x^3 = z$$

Invariant spacetime interval ( $\Delta x \rightarrow \Delta x'$ , etc. under a Lorentz transformation):

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 (\Delta\tau)^2 &= c^2 (\Delta t)^2 - (\Delta x)^2 - (\Delta y)^2 - (\Delta z)^2 \\ &= c^2 (\Delta t')^2 - (\Delta x')^2 - (\Delta y')^2 - (\Delta z')^2 \end{aligned}$$

Velocity transformations (for relative motion along  $x$ ):

$$u' = \frac{u - v}{1 - \frac{vu}{c^2}} \quad u = \frac{u' + v}{1 + \frac{vu'}{c^2}}$$

Relativistic definitions of energy, momentum, and kinetic energy:

$$E = \gamma mc^2$$

$$p = \gamma mv$$

$$K = (\gamma - 1)mc^2$$

Relativistic relation between energy and momentum:

$$E^2 = c^2 \vec{p}^2 + m^2 c^4$$

Lorentz transformations for energy-momentum (for relative motion along  $x$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} p'_x &= \gamma(p_x - \frac{v}{c^2}E) & p_x &= \gamma(p'_x + \frac{v}{c^2}E') \\ p'_y &= p_y & p_y &= p'_y \\ p'_z &= p_z & p_z &= p'_z \\ E' &= \gamma(E - vp_x) & E &= \gamma(E' + vp'_x) \end{aligned}$$

Spacetime energy-momentum:

$$\begin{aligned} (p^0, p^1, p^2, p^3) &= \text{energy-momentum 4-vector} \\ p^0 &= \frac{E}{c} \\ p^1 &= p_x \\ p^2 &= p_y \\ p^3 &= p_z \end{aligned}$$

Invariant energy-momentum ( $p_x \rightarrow p'_x$ , etc. under a Lorentz transformation):

$$\begin{aligned} (mc)^2 &= \left(\frac{E}{c}\right)^2 - (p_x)^2 - (p_y)^2 - (p_z)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{E'}{c}\right)^2 - (p'_x)^2 - (p'_y)^2 - (p'_z)^2 \end{aligned}$$

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## PH 335 General Relativity & Cosmology - Course Outline

- I. Overview and review
  - Principle of equivalence
- II. Review of multi-variable calculus
- III. Flat 3-dimensional space (chapter 1 - first half)
  - Basis vectors
  - Contravariant and covariant vectors
  - Metric tensor
  - Coordinate transformations
  - Tensors
- IV. Flat spacetime (appendix A)
  - Special relativity
  - Relativistic electrodynamics
- V. Curved spaces (chapter 1 - last half)
  - 2 dimensional curved spaces
  - Manifolds
  - Tensors on manifolds
- VI. Gravitation and curvature (chapter 2)
  - Geodesics & affine connection  $\Gamma^\sigma_{\mu\nu}$
  - Parallel transport
  - Covariant differentiation
  - Newtonian limit
- VII. Einstein's field equations (chapter 3)
  - Stress-energy tensor  $T^{\mu\nu}$
  - Curvature tensor  $R^\lambda_{\mu\nu\sigma}$
  - Einstein's equations
  - Schwarzschild solution
- VIII. Predictions and tests of general relativity (chapter 4)
  - Gravitational redshift
  - Radar time-delay experiments
  - Black Holes
- IX. Cosmology (chapter 6)
  - Friedman-Robertson-Walker solution
  - Hubble's "constant"  $H(t)$
  - Recent Discoveries in Cosmology
  - Cosmological constant



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Required Texts: A Short Course in General Relativity, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.,  
by J. Foster and J.D.Nightingale  
(Springer, 2006)

Was Einstein Right? 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed.,  
by C. Will  
(Basic Books, 1993)

Recommended: Spacetime and Geometry,  
by Sean M. Carroll  
(Addison Wesley, 2004)

Reading: There will be regular reading assignments. A lot of effort in this course must go into reading the book. You need to stay current with the reading assignments or you risk becoming lost.

Problems Sets: Problem sets will be due most weeks. Late problem sets without prior excuse will not be accepted. You may work together and discuss problems with others before writing your solutions, but what you hand in must be your own work.

Exams: There will be two mid-term exams and a final exam. The mid-term exams will be untimed, closed book, and individually administered take-home exams on an honor system. The final exam will be a three-hour in-class exam during finals week and will also be closed book. However, you will be allowed to bring one sheet of paper with formulas on it to each of the exams. You may use a calculator. The midterms will be due back within two days.

Midterm #1 - Wednesday Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> (due Friday Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>)  
Midterm #2 - Wednesday Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> (due Friday Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>)  
Final Exam - Thursday Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM (3 hours)

- Attendance: You are expected to come to class. If you have an unexcused absence, you will need to make up the material on your own.
- Electronics: You can use a tablet to take notes if you want. But please do not use laptops or other electronic devices such as cell phones in class unless you have written permission from a dean or a doctor.
- Goals: The primary objectives of the course are for you to learn the subject of general relativity and to apply it to the study of cosmology. The class is roughly 80% general relativity and 20% cosmology. For a more specific list of topics, please see the course outline handout. In addition to learning these subjects you will develop your skills in:
- Listening and concentration
  - Appreciating the development of a new theory
  - Mathematics of general coordinate systems
  - Mathematical descriptions of curved spaces
  - Mathematics of vectors and tensors
  - Using symbolic notation
  - Problem solving at an advanced level
  - Persevering with long computations (not giving up)
  - Understanding conceptually difficult material
  - Reading and studying the textbook
  - Working both independently and collaboratively
- Academic Honesty: Honesty, integrity, and personal responsibility are cornerstones of a Colby education. The values stated in the Colby Affirmation are central to this course. Students are expected to demonstrate academic honesty in all aspects of this course.
- Religious Holidays: If you need to change an exam date or the due date for an assignment in order to observe a religious holiday, please let me know in advance and we will work something out.
- Assessment: Your grade for the course will be the average of your grades on the problem sets, mid-term exams, and final exam with the following weights:
- |                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| Problem sets   | 30%            |
| Mid-term exams | 40% (20% each) |
| Final Exam     | 30%            |

# GENERAL RELATIVITY

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• Cosmology

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## I. OVERVIEW & REVIEW

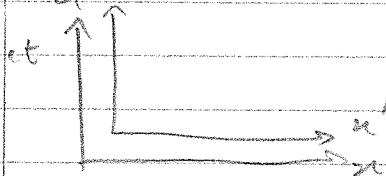
General Relativity? → Theory of Gravity

Replaces Newton's gravity law for heavy masses or at high precision

keep in mind... expected that GR isn't compatible with QM

↳ Question in Physics → how to reconcile GR + QM

Special Relativity (SR) → involves moving inertial frames



Use Lorentz transformation

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} x' = \gamma(x - vt) = \gamma(x - \beta ct) \\ y' = y \\ z' = z \end{array} \right\} t' = \gamma(t - \frac{v}{c}x)$$

Minkowski space → flat 4D spacetime of SR

↳ Invariant spacetime interval

$$(\Delta s)^2 = (c\Delta t)^2 - (\Delta x)^2 - (\Delta y)^2 - (\Delta z)^2$$

$$= (c\Delta t')^2 - (\Delta x')^2 - (\Delta y')^2 - (\Delta z')^2 = (\Delta s')^2$$

↳ Invariant under Lorentz transformation.

• What is  $(\Delta s)$  physically? → go to a rest frame

$$\hookrightarrow \Delta z' = \Delta z = \Delta y' = \Delta x' = 0$$

→  $\Delta t = \Delta \tau$  proper time

$$\text{So } (\Delta s)^2 = (c\Delta \tau)^2$$

In Minkowski spacetime  $\rightarrow$  4-vectors. ex  $(ct, x, y, z)$

Position  $(ct, x, y, z)$

Momentum  $(E/c, p_x, p_y, p_z) \rightarrow$  Energy-momentum

$\rightarrow$  these transform under Lorentz Transformations

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} p'_x = \gamma (p_x - \beta \frac{E}{c}) \\ p'_y = p_y, \quad p'_z = p_z \\ E' = \gamma (E - \beta c p_x) \end{array} \right\}$$

$E/c$  transform like  $ct$ ,  $p_x$  transform like  $p_x$  ...

Also get an invariant for  $E-p$ :

$$\frac{E^2}{c^2} - p_x^2 - p_y^2 - p_z^2 = \frac{E^2}{c^2} - \vec{p}^2$$

• recall  $E^2 = c^2 \vec{p}^2 + m^2 c^4$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\frac{E^2}{c^2} - \vec{p}^2 = (mc)^2}$$

Invariant under Lorentz transformations...

Go to a rest frame  $E=mc^2$ ,  $p_x=p_y=p_z=0$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{\frac{(mc^2)^2}{c^2} - \vec{p}'^2 = (mc)^2} \quad (+mc)$$

Notice  $\rightarrow$  have 2 types of objects

(1) Proper time, Mass }  $\rightarrow$  called SCALARS

(same in all Lorentz frames)

(3)

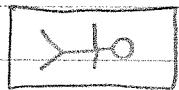
(2) 4-vectors  $(ct, \mathbf{x}, \gamma, \mathbf{p})$  ]  $\rightarrow$  4-vectors  $(E/c, \mathbf{p}_x, p_y, p_z)$  ] all transform the same way under Lorentz transf

Now, want to look at the principle that set Einstein started in GR

### ↳ the [Equivalence Principle] (EP)

- 1907  $\rightarrow$  Einstein's happiest thought of his life

↳ realized that in a freely falling frame, the effects of gravity go away



$\Rightarrow$  freely falling frame (non-rotating)  
(accelerating)



$\Rightarrow$  inside, it's an inertial frame

Einstein realized there's an equivalence between gravity + acceleration

$\Rightarrow$  they can undo each other

Statement

A small, non-rotating, freely falling frame in a gravitational field is an inertial frame

{ This is a direct result of Galileo's discovery that all obj }  
have the same acceleration due to gravity.

- This is a result of a coincidence!

↳ Mass has 2 roles ;  $\rightarrow$  causing gravitational force  
(like charge)  
 $\rightarrow$  measure of inertia ..

- Why are these the same?

$$F = \frac{GMm}{R^2} = mg$$

(mass as "charge")

but  $F = ma$   $\rightarrow$  mass as "inertia"

$ma = mg \Rightarrow a = g$  for all objects..

But it could have been that

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_g = \text{grav. mass} \\ m_I = \text{inertial mass} \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow F = m_g g \quad \rightarrow F = m_I a$$

$$\text{So } m_I a = m_g g \rightarrow a = \left( \frac{m_g}{m_I} \right) g$$

This ratio  $\frac{m_g}{m_I}$  determines whether  $a = g$

The Equivalence Principle wouldn't hold if  $m_g \neq m_I$

Exp. show  $|m_g - m_I| \lesssim 10^{-11}$  (Eötvos expt)

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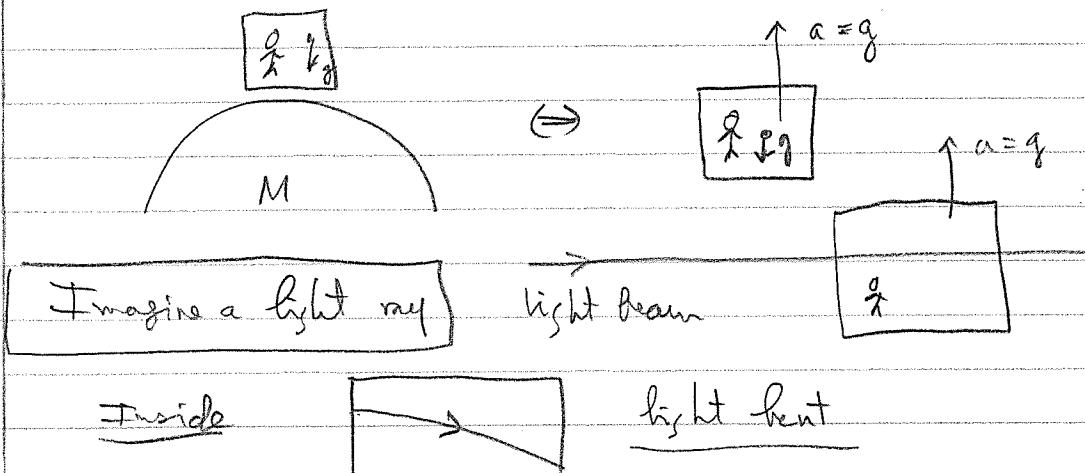
GR → gravity is not a force

⇒ mass/energy cause curving / warping of spacetime

It was the equivalence principle that caused Einstein to think about curved spacetime.

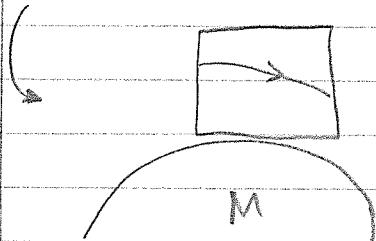
EP ⇒ says that the effects of gravity & acceleration are equivalent

Means these 2 situations are the same

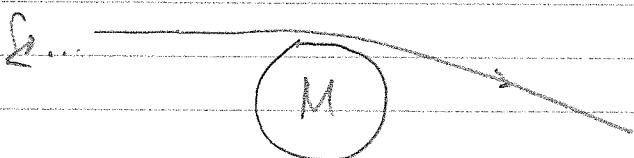


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Now, according to the equivalence principle (postulate)



Got a prediction that light bends around massive object



GR predicts that light going 1 km past Earth's surface, will fall by 1°. (not observable)

But for Sun, GR predicts bending by 1.75" (arc sec) of light (Eddington)



Note

→ Could argue as well from Newtonian mechanics that light falls with  $a = g$   
 (But to get 1.75" prediction, the spacetime must actually be curved  
 assumes spacetime is flat.      assumes NBT)

Falling objects on Earth → how do we view this as due to curvature?

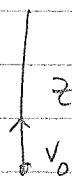


Let's compare 2 cases, each with initial velocity

$$v_0 = 4.9 \text{ m/s}$$

$$t = 1s$$

With no gravity



$$a = 0$$

$$\text{Final } z = 4.9 \text{ m} = v_0 t$$

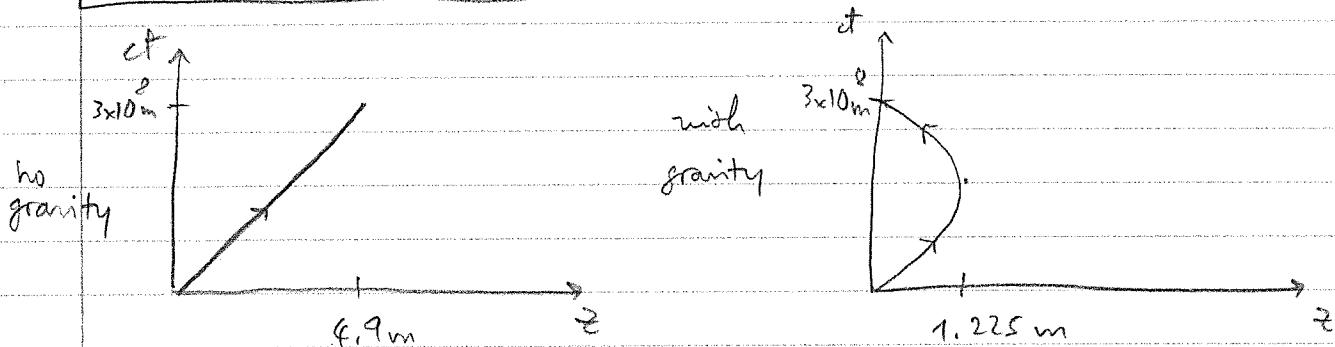
With gravity



$$\text{Final } z = 1.225 \text{ m} \text{ (turns around)}$$

Must view this in spacetime

(not to scale)

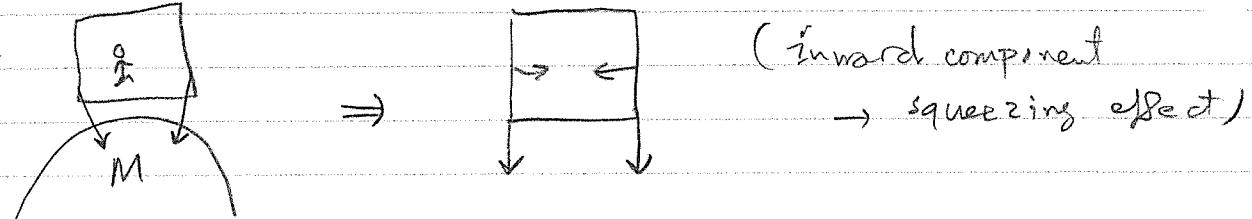


If drawn to scale, both would look like vertical lines.

$\Rightarrow$  curvature of spacetime @ earth surface is very weak...

A few notes on the EP  $\rightarrow$  freely falling frames are infinitesimal  
+ instantaneous...

why? because otherwise get tidal effects



$\rightarrow$  If fall into black hole  $\rightarrow$  turn into spaghetti!  
(spaghettification)

There are also different versions of the EP

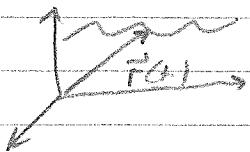
Strong equivalence principle  $\rightarrow$  all of physics reduces to special relativity  
in a freely falling frame...

Weak EP  $\rightarrow$  all point particles fall @ the same rate in a gravitational field ( $m_g = m_I$ )  $\rightarrow$  applies to gravity only  
 $\rightarrow$  sufficient to develop GR, but not for  $\mathcal{OM}$   
we use this

Review Curves in 3D space, parameterized by  $t, s, s$

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$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\hat{i} + y(t)\hat{j} + z(t)\hat{k}$$



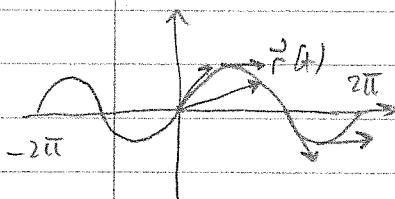
tangent  $\dot{\vec{r}} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$

Length of a curve

$$|\dot{\vec{r}}| = \left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right| dt = \|\dot{\vec{r}}\| dt$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \int_a^b |\dot{\vec{r}}| dt = \int_a^b \|\dot{\vec{r}}\| dt$$

Ex Consider  $\vec{r}(t) = (t, \sin t)$   $(-2\pi \leq t \leq 2\pi)$



$$\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = ? \quad \vec{r} = (t, \cos t)$$

$$\text{At } t=0 \quad \dot{\vec{r}} = (1, 1)$$

$$t=\frac{\pi}{2} \quad \dot{\vec{r}} = (1, 0)$$

$$t=\pi \quad \dot{\vec{r}} = (1, -1)$$

$$t=\frac{3\pi}{2} \quad \dot{\vec{r}} = (1, 0)$$

Find length  $l$  of curve

$$l = \int_a^b \|\dot{\vec{r}}\| dt = \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} \|(1, \cos t)\| dt = \int_{-2\pi}^{2\pi} \sqrt{1+\cos^2 t} dt$$

(elliptic int)

Use Mathematica ...  $l \approx 15.28$

Can consider vector functions

$$\vec{F}(r) = \begin{pmatrix} F_x(x, y, z) \\ F_y(x, y, z) \\ F_z(x, y, z) \end{pmatrix}$$

Act with  $\vec{\nabla} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$  by letting or crossing

Dot (div?)  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{F} = \frac{\partial F_x}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial F_y}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial F_z}{\partial z}$

Note  $\vec{\nabla} f$  gives gradient if  $f$  scalar-valued

Cross (curl?)  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \end{vmatrix}$

In E&M, can introduce potentials...

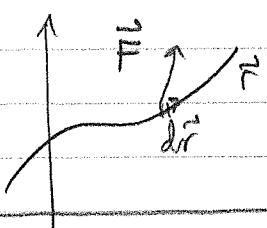
$$\vec{E} = -\vec{\nabla}\phi \quad \text{where } \phi \text{ is electric potential (volts)}$$

(scales)

→  $\vec{E} \perp$  surfaces of constant  $\phi$  (equipotentials)

$$\vec{B} = \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A} \quad \text{where } \vec{A} \text{ is vector potential}$$

Line integrals → of a vector along a curve



$$\int_a^b \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

→ sum of components of  $\vec{F}$  along the curve.

e.g.  $\vec{F}$  = force  $\Rightarrow W = \int_a^b \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$

e.g.  $\vec{F} = \vec{E} = e$  field

-  $\int_a^b \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{r} = \text{potential} = \Delta\phi$  change in  $E$  potential

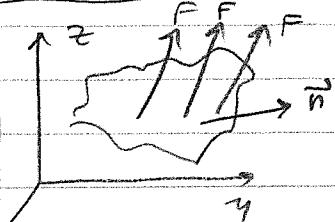
To do line integral → parametrize.

Let  $\vec{r} = \vec{r}(s)$ , then  $\vec{F}(\vec{r}) = \vec{F}(\vec{r}(s))$

$$\int_a^b \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_a^b \vec{F}(\vec{r}(s)) \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{ds} ds$$

Surface integrals

→ give flux of a vector field thru a surface



$$\int S \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a} = \text{flux thru surface}$$

normal area  $d\vec{a} = da\vec{n}$

e.g.  $\vec{F} = \vec{E}$  electric field  $\int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \text{electric flux} = \frac{\Phi}{\epsilon_0}$

Gauss's law  $\int_A \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0} \rightarrow \text{enclosed charge}$

Two famous theorems

Gauss's theorem

$$\oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{F} d^3r$$

flux      vol      div  
int      int      curl

Stokes' Theorem

$$\oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_A (\nabla \times \vec{F}) \cdot d\vec{a}$$

flux

Ex Find the differential form of Maxwell's Eqn

Gauss's law...  $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \frac{q}{\epsilon_0}$   $\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = -\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} = -\frac{d}{dt} \int_A \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a}$  (Faraday law)

No magnetic monopole...  $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a} = 0$   $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{d}{dt} \int_A \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a}$

(Ampere - Maxwell's law...)

Use Gauss theorem or Gauss's law... also find

$$q = \int_V \rho d^3r \quad \text{where } \rho = \text{volume density}$$

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} = \int_V \nabla \cdot \vec{E} d^3r = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \int_V \rho d^3r$$

$$\therefore \epsilon_0 \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \rho \rightarrow \boxed{\nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}}$$

Immediately  $\rightarrow \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0$

Use Stokes' theorem for the next two...

closed loop

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} = \int_A (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E}) \cdot d\vec{a} = -\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{a}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

current density

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} &= \int_A (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B}) \cdot d\vec{a} = \mu_0 I + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{a} \quad \text{let } I = \int_A \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} \\ &= \mu_0 \int_A \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{a} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \int \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \cdot d\vec{a} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$$

|                                                                      |                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0}$                  | $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} = 0$                                                                     |
| $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$ | $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}$ |

We'll see how to make  
these eqn fully  
relativistic...

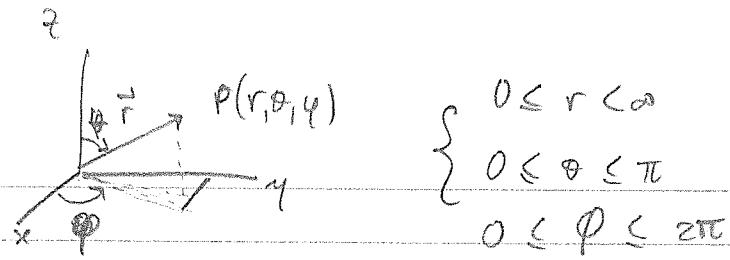
### Coordinate Systems

In 3D space... (there are lots of Coordinate systems...)

- Cartesian Coordinates ( $x, y, z$ )
- Spherical Coordinates ( $r, \theta, \phi$ )
- Cylindrical Coordinate ( $\rho, \phi, z$ )

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### Spherical Coordinate



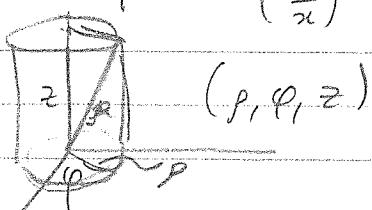
$$\begin{cases} x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ z = r \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{r}\right) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}\right)$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

### Cylindrical Coordinate



$$\begin{cases} x = \rho \cos \theta \\ y = \rho \sin \theta \\ z = z \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \\ \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \\ z = z \end{cases}$$

How do we do integrals?

In Cartesian

$$dA = dx dy$$

2D polar

$$\begin{array}{c} y \\ \uparrow \\ \rho \\ \theta \\ \rightarrow \\ x \end{array} \quad \begin{cases} x = \rho \cos \theta \\ y = \rho \sin \theta \end{cases} \quad \rho = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

In Polar

$$dA = \rho d\rho d\theta$$

extra function

To find a systematic way to find this extra part?

→ Use the Jacobian!

We can find the extra factor using Jacobian

→ matrix of partial derivatives

e.g. polar  $\rightarrow$  Cartesian

$$\underline{U} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(\rho, \theta)} \\ \frac{\partial(x, y)}{\partial(\rho, \theta)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Theorem} \Rightarrow \boxed{dx dy = \det(\underline{U}) d\rho d\theta}$$

For 2D polar coordinates:  $x = \rho \cos\varphi \rightarrow \frac{\partial x}{\partial \rho} = \cos\varphi, \frac{\partial x}{\partial \varphi} = -\rho \sin\varphi$   
 $y = \rho \sin\varphi \rightarrow \frac{\partial y}{\partial \rho} = \sin\varphi, \frac{\partial y}{\partial \varphi} = \rho \cos\varphi$

$$\therefore \det(\underline{U}) = \rho \cos^2\varphi + \rho \sin^2\varphi = \rho \quad \therefore dx dy = \rho d\rho d\varphi$$

In 3D relate  $dxdydz$  to spherical Coordinates

$$dxdydz = \det(\underline{U}) dr d\theta d\varphi$$

Now

$$\underline{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \varphi} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \varphi} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \varphi} \end{pmatrix}$$

OR we could go to cylindrical coordinate  $dxdydz = \det(\underline{U}) dr d\theta dz$

Now

$$\underline{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial x}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial y}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial y}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial z}{\partial r} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial z}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix}$$

We can also write a Jacobian for going from Spherical to Cylindrical

$$\underline{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial r}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \rho} & \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \rho} \\ \frac{\partial r}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \theta} & \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \theta} \\ \frac{\partial r}{\partial \varphi} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \varphi} & \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \varphi} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note: in this case  $dr d\theta dz$  &  $d\rho d\theta dz$  are not proper volume element.

But Jacobian like this will still be useful to us.

Ex Find Jacobian bc  $dxdydz \rightarrow$  spherical

$$\underline{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\theta \cos\varphi & r \cos\theta \cos\varphi & -r \sin\theta \sin\varphi \\ \sin\theta \sin\varphi & r \cos\theta \sin\varphi & r \sin\theta \cos\varphi \\ 0 & -r \sin\theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{so } \det(\underline{U}) = ?$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \det(\mathbf{L}) &= \sin\theta \cos\varphi [ + r \sin^2\theta \cos\varphi ] - r \cos\theta \cos\varphi [ - r \sin\theta \cos\theta \cos\varphi ] \\
 &\quad + (-r) \sin\theta \sin\varphi [ - r \sin^2\theta \sin\varphi - r \cos^2\theta \sin\varphi ] \\
 &= r^2 \sin^3\theta \cos^2\varphi + r^2 \sin\theta \cos^2\theta \cos^2\varphi \\
 &\quad + r^2 \sin^3\theta \sin^2\varphi + r^2 \sin\theta \cos^2\theta \sin^2\varphi \\
 &= r^2 \sin^3\theta + r^2 \sin\theta \cos^2\theta \\
 &= [r^2 \sin\theta] \quad \text{as expected...}
 \end{aligned}$$

As a check we can integrate over a region of radius  $r$

$$\int_0^R \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} r^2 \sin\theta \, d\theta d\varphi = \frac{4}{3} \pi R^3$$

### III. Flat 3D space (called Euclidean space)

↳ "flat" means "no curvature". We want to see how to use arbitrary coordinates... All coordinate systems specify points as intersection of 3 surfaces... in 3D

Cartesian  $\{x = \text{const}, y = \text{const}, z = \text{const}\}$  3 planes!

Spherical  $\{r = \text{const}, \theta = \text{const}, \varphi = \text{const}\}$  3 surfaces

sphere cone plane

Cylindrical  $\{\rho = \text{const}, \varphi = \text{const}, z = \text{const}\}$

cylinder ver. plane hor. plane

### Curvilinear Coordinates (arbitrary coordinates in 3D)

↳ Call  $(u, v, w)$  = arbitrary coordinates

Specify a point by  $u = \text{const}, v = \text{const}, w = \text{const}$

Note Coordinates are curvy, but the spaces are still flat...

→ Can find relations with

$(x, y, z)$

$$\begin{cases} x = x(u, v, w) \\ y = y(u, v, w) \\ z = z(u, v, w) \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} u = u(x, y, z) \\ v = v(x, y, z) \\ w = w(x, y, z) \end{cases}$$

**Basis Vectors**

Want to be able to describe vectors using curvilinear coordinates

→ need a basis set that spans the space...

In Cartesian ...  $\{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$  span 3D space (Euclidean)

What set  $\{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\}$  would give a basis in curvilinear coordinates?

Well, how do we get  $\{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$  in Cartesian coordinates?

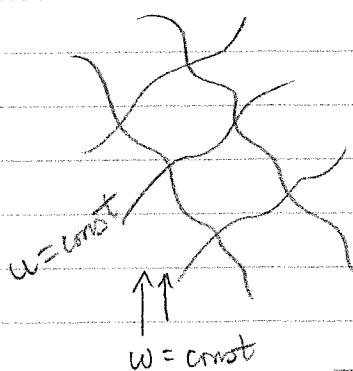
$\hat{i}$ : vector that follows change in  $\vec{x}$  with  $y, z$  fixed ...  
 ↳ a tangent vector along change in  $x$ .

$$\hat{i} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial x} \rightarrow \text{gives a tangent vector along } x$$

$$\text{If } \vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \rightarrow \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial x} = \hat{i}$$

$$\text{Likewise } \hat{j} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial y}, \quad \hat{k} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z}$$

**Now, consider**  $(u, v, w)$



Consider  $\frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u}$  (has a change in  $v, w$  const)  
 ↳ tangent vector along the change in  $u$  direction

Let

$$\vec{e}_u = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u}$$

} form a natural basis set ...

likewise, call

$$\vec{e}_v = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}$$

$$\vec{e}_w = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial w}$$

The set  $\{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\}$  can then be used as a basis for any vector in the space

Recall Cartesian Coordinates  $\rightarrow (u, v, w)$

Natural basis  $\rightarrow \{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\}$

where  $\vec{e}_u = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u}$ ,  $\vec{e}_v = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v}$ ,  $\vec{e}_w = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial w}$  } tangent vectors.

To calculate these in terms of  $\{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$  we

$$\vec{r} = x(u, v, w)\hat{i} + y(u, v, w)\hat{j} + z(u, v, w)\hat{k}$$

Notes  $\rightarrow$  directions of these basis vectors can change as you move around  
(unlike  $\{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$ )

$\rightarrow$  the set  $\{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\}$  need not be orthogonal. They only need  
to be linearly independent (to span the space).

They also don't need to be unit vectors...

Can make unit vectors:  $\hat{e}_u = \frac{\vec{e}_u}{\|\vec{e}_u\|}$  (but NOT as usual...)

What, then, is "natural" about this set?  $\rightarrow$  they will lead us to  
the METRIC TENSOR...

Last note  $\rightarrow$  will often use  $\{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$  as a reference basis.

$\rightarrow$  Can express  $\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w$  in terms of these

$$\text{e.g. } \vec{e}_u = (e_u)_x \hat{i} + (e_u)_y \hat{j} + (e_u)_z \hat{k}$$

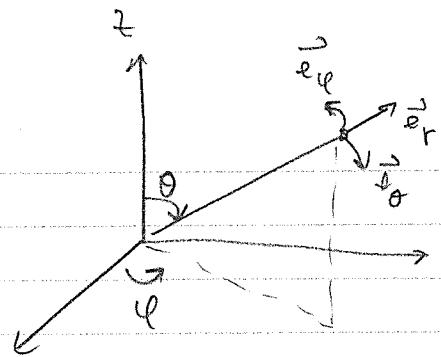
Example Find  $\{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\}$  for spherical coordinates.

$$(u, v, w) \rightarrow (r, \theta, \phi) \rightarrow \underline{\text{b.c.}} \quad \vec{r} = (x, y, z) = \begin{pmatrix} r \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ r \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ r \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{\text{b.c.}} \quad \vec{e}_r = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial r} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \vec{e}_\theta = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \theta} = \begin{pmatrix} r \cos \theta \cos \phi \\ r \cos \theta \sin \phi \\ -r \sin \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \vec{e}_\phi = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial \phi} = \begin{pmatrix} -r \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ r \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



orientation depends on where you are

Note this set is orthogonal, but not orthonormal

Now

$$\vec{e}_r \cdot \vec{e}_r = \sin^2 \theta (\cos^2 \phi + \sin^2 \phi) + \cos^2 \theta = 1$$

$$\vec{e}_r \cdot \vec{e}_\theta = r \cos^2 \phi \sin \theta \cos \theta + r \sin^2 \phi \sin \theta \cos \theta - r \sin \theta \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\vec{e}_r \cdot \vec{e}_\phi = -r \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi \cos \phi + r \sin^2 \theta \sin \phi \sin \phi = 0$$

$$\vec{e}_\theta \cdot \vec{e}_\theta = r^2 \cos^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \phi \sin^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta = r^2$$

$$\vec{e}_\theta \cdot \vec{e}_\phi = 0$$

$$\vec{e}_\phi \cdot \vec{e}_\phi = r^2 \sin^2 \phi \sin^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi = r^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

- See that  $\{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\}$  is orthogonal, but not unit vectors.

$$\{\|\vec{e}_u\|=1, \|\vec{e}_v\|=r, \|\vec{e}_w\|=r \sin \theta\}$$

Dual basis

→ there's an alternative basis  $\{\vec{e}^u, \vec{e}^v, \vec{e}^w\}$

Instead of using tangent vectors, we could use perpendiculars of surfaces of constant, ( $u, v, w$ )

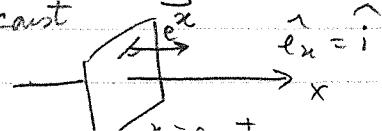
Recall that  $\vec{\nabla} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$  gives  $\vec{\nabla} f \perp$  surfaces of  $f = \text{const}$

Since curvilinear coord are given by  $u = \text{const}$ ,  $v = \text{const}$ ,  $w = \text{const}$   
this gives us  $\vec{\nabla} u \perp$ 's to these.

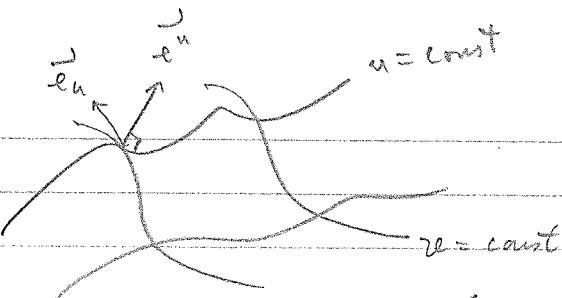
Ex  $\begin{cases} \vec{e}^u = \vec{\nabla} u \\ \vec{e}^v = \vec{\nabla} v \\ \vec{e}^w = \vec{\nabla} w \end{cases}$  ( $\perp$  to surface  $u = \text{const}$ )

What's the dual basis in Cartesian coord?

$$\begin{cases} \vec{e}^x = \vec{\nabla} x = (1, 0, 0) = \hat{i} = \vec{e}_x \\ \vec{e}^y = \vec{\nabla} y = (0, 1, 0) = \hat{j} = \vec{e}_y \\ \vec{e}^z = \vec{\nabla} z = (0, 0, 1) = \hat{k} = \vec{e}_z \end{cases} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{why? Because direction along} \\ x \text{ is the same as the direction} \\ \perp x = \text{const} \end{array} \right\}$$



Part in curvilinear.



To compute  $\{\tilde{e}^u, \tilde{e}^v, \tilde{e}^w\}$  → use  $\tilde{\nabla} = \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)$  and the  
wanted relations

$$u(x, y, z), v(x, y, z), \tilde{e}^u(x, y, z)$$

Find  $\tilde{e}^u = \tilde{\nabla} u$  in Cartesian in  $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ , then replace  $(x, y, z)$  with  $(u, v, w)$

Ex find dual basis set for spherical ...  $(u, v, w) \rightarrow (r, \theta, \varphi)$

→ use inverted expression ...

$$\begin{aligned} r &= (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} \\ \theta &= \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}\right) \\ \varphi &= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} \tilde{e}^r &= \tilde{\nabla} r = \tilde{\nabla} (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{1/2} = \begin{pmatrix} x(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2} \\ y(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2} \\ z(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-1/2} \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad \boxed{\text{find } \cos\varphi, \sin\theta \sin\varphi, \cos\theta} \quad (= \tilde{e}_r) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{e}^\theta &= \tilde{\nabla} \theta = \tilde{\nabla} \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}\right) = \frac{(-1)}{\sqrt{1 - z^2}} \begin{bmatrix} -2x \\ ( )^{3/2} \\ ( )^{3/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -2y \\ ( )^{3/2} \\ ( )^{3/2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ ( )^{1/2} \\ ( )^{1/2} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{-2z}{( )^{3/2}} \begin{bmatrix} -2x \\ -2y \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{-1}{r \sin\theta} \left( \frac{-r^2 \cos\theta \sin\theta \cos\varphi}{r^3}, \frac{-r^2 \cos\theta \sin\theta \sin\varphi}{r^3}, \left( \frac{r^2}{r^3} - \frac{r^2 \cos^2\theta}{r^3} \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\tilde{e}^\theta = \left( \frac{1}{r} \cos\theta \cos\varphi, \frac{1}{r} \cos\theta \sin\varphi, -\frac{\sin\theta}{r} \right)}$$

Nxt,  $\tilde{e}^\varphi = \tilde{\nabla} \varphi = \tilde{\nabla} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right) = (\dots)$

get  $\boxed{\tilde{e}^\varphi = \left( \frac{-\sin\varphi}{r \sin\theta}, \frac{\cos\varphi}{r \sin\theta}, 0 \right)}$

Compare  $\{\tilde{e}^r, \tilde{e}^\theta, \tilde{e}^\varphi\}$  to  $\{\tilde{e}^r, \tilde{e}_\theta, \tilde{e}_\varphi\}$

$\tilde{e}^r = \tilde{e}_r$ , but  $\tilde{e}_\theta \neq \tilde{e}^\theta$ , and  $\tilde{e}^\varphi \neq \tilde{e}_\varphi$

Aug 14, 2018 Recall Natural basis  $\{\tilde{e}_u^*, \tilde{e}_v^*, \tilde{e}_w^*\}$   $\rightarrow$  tangent vectors  $(\frac{\partial \tilde{r}}{\partial u})$

Dual basis  $\{\tilde{e}_u^*, \tilde{e}_v^*, \tilde{e}_w^*\}$   $\rightarrow \perp$  to surface if const  $u, v, w (\nabla)$

[Ex] Paraboloidal Surfaces  $(u, v, w)$  (non-orthogonal set)

$$\begin{aligned} x &= u+v \\ y &= u-v \\ z &= 2uv+w \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \begin{cases} u = \frac{1}{2}(x+y) \\ v = \frac{1}{2}(x-y) \\ w = z - \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - y^2) \end{cases}$$

Surfaces:  $u = \text{const} \rightarrow$  plane  
 $v = \text{const} \rightarrow$  plane  
 $w = \text{const} \rightarrow$  hyperbolic paraboloid

Now  $\tilde{r} = (x, y, z) = (u+v, u-v, 2uv+w)$  (in  $\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}$ )

|                   |                                                                     |                        |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Natural basis ... | $\tilde{e}_u = \frac{\partial \tilde{r}}{\partial u} = (1, 1, 2v)$  | <u>Non orthogonal!</u> |
|                   | $\tilde{e}_v = \frac{\partial \tilde{r}}{\partial v} = (1, -1, 2u)$ |                        |
|                   | $\tilde{e}_w = \frac{\partial \tilde{r}}{\partial w} = (0, 0, 1)$   |                        |

$$\tilde{e}^u = \tilde{\nabla} u = \tilde{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{2}(x+y)\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$\tilde{e}^v = \tilde{\nabla} v = \tilde{\nabla} \left(\frac{1}{2}(x-y)\right) = \left(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{e}^w &= \tilde{\nabla} w = \tilde{\nabla} \left(z - \frac{1}{2}(x^2 - y^2)\right) = (-x, +y, 1) = (-u-v, +u+v, 1) \end{aligned}$$

Now  $\tilde{e}^u \cdot \tilde{e}^v = -v, \tilde{e}^u \cdot \tilde{e}^v = 0, \tilde{e}^v \cdot \tilde{e}^w = -u$

### Prefix notation

$\rightarrow$  convenient to change notation

↑  
upper  
indices

For the coordinates, we use  $(u, v, w) \mapsto (u^1, u^2, u^3) = \{u^i\}$   
 $(i=1, 2, 3)$

Similar things for basis vectors

$$\{\vec{e}_u, \vec{e}_v, \vec{e}_w\} \rightarrow \{\vec{e}_i\} \quad i=1, 2, 3 \quad (\text{natural})$$

$$\{\vec{e}^u, \vec{e}^v, \vec{e}^w\} \rightarrow \{\vec{e}^i\} \quad i=1, 2, 3 \quad (\text{dual})$$

Since both span a space, any vector  $\vec{x}$  can be written in terms of either

$$\vec{x} = \lambda^1 \vec{e}_1 + \lambda^2 \vec{e}_2 + \lambda^3 \vec{e}_3 \quad (\text{upper index for coords})$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\vec{x} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda^i \vec{e}_i} \quad (\text{for natural basis})$$

Coordinates = components  
of natural basis

But also

$$\vec{x} = \lambda^1 \vec{e}^1 + \lambda^2 \vec{e}^2 + \lambda^3 \vec{e}^3$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\vec{x} = \sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda_i \vec{e}^i} \quad (\text{lower index for coords  
for dual basis})$$

### Einstein summation convention

$\hookrightarrow$  any index that appears  $\text{(up)} \oplus \text{(down)}$  is automatically summed once

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\vec{x} = \lambda^i \vec{e}_i} \quad (\text{instead of } \sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda^i \vec{e}_i)$$

Since  $i$  is dummy index, it can be any letter

$$\text{So... } a^i b_i = a^k b_k = a^j b_j = \sum_{n=1}^3 a^n b_n$$

But  $a_i b_i$  makes no sense  $\exists \rightarrow$  not defined.  
 $\rightarrow$  need to get  $\exists \sum_i a_i b_i$

Likewise  $a_i b_i c_i \rightarrow$  doesn't make sense either.

$\hookrightarrow$  only "1 up, 1 down" allowed

Note [Certain letters are reserved for special cases]

$$i, j, k, l, \dots = 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{3D space}$$

$$\mu, \nu, \alpha, \beta, \sigma, \rho = 0, 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{4D spacetime}$$

$$A, B, C, \dots = 1, 2, \dots \quad \text{2D spaces}$$

$$q, b, c, \dots = 1, 2, \dots N \quad \text{N-D manifold}$$

Now, any vector is then  $\vec{r} = r^i \vec{e}_i = r_i \vec{e}^i$

call  $r^i$  a "contravariant component"

and

"co" is low.

$r_i$  = "covariant component"

Note  $r_i, r^i \rightarrow$  are components

But  $\vec{e}^i, \vec{e}_i \rightarrow$  are vectors ... (have 3 components themselves  
with respect to some other basis)

So... what does this get us?

Dot products

not summed ( $i \neq j$ ). This is 9 diff.  
objects...  $i=1, 2, 3, j=1, 2, 3, \dots$

Consider  $\vec{e}^i, \vec{e}_j$

$$\text{Use def. } \vec{e}^i = \vec{r} u^i = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial x} u^i \vec{i} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial y} u^i \vec{j} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial z} u^i \vec{k}$$

$$\vec{e}_j = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u^j} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial u^j} \vec{i} + \frac{\partial y}{\partial u^j} \vec{j} + \frac{\partial z}{\partial u^j} \vec{k}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{e}^i \cdot \vec{e}_j = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u^j} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u^j} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u^j} \text{ looks like a derivative...}$$

Suppose  $u^i = u^i(x, y, z)$

$$\text{where } x = x(u^j)$$

$$y = y(u^j)$$

$$z = z(u^j)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^j} = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x} \frac{\partial x}{\partial u^j} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial y} \frac{\partial y}{\partial u^j} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial z} \frac{\partial z}{\partial u^j} = \vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j$$

Part  $\{u^i\} = \{u^1, u^2, u^3\}$  independent variables

$$\frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^1} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^2} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^3} = 0$$

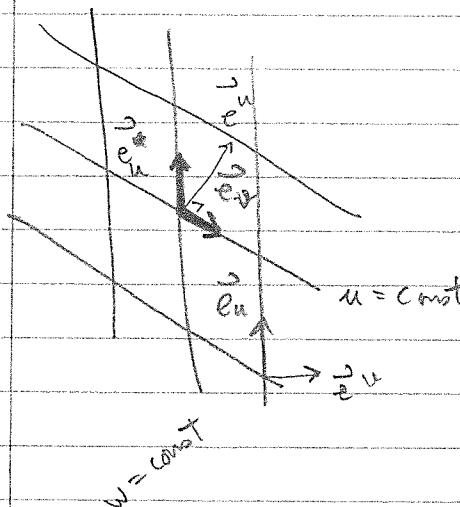
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Introduce

$$\delta_j^i = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases} \quad \text{kronecker delta}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j = \delta_j^i} \rightarrow 9 \text{ eqns} \quad (6 \text{ unique}=0, 3=0)$$

Notice  $\vec{e}^u \perp \vec{e}^v$  ( $u \neq v$ ) why? (by definition)



What about other products  $\{\vec{e}_i^*\}$  with themselves, likewise  $\{\vec{e}_i^i\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Define } & \left\{ \begin{aligned} g_{ij} &= \vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j \\ g_{ii} &= \vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_i \end{aligned} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j = \vec{e}_j \cdot \vec{e}_i$  (Commutative),  $\boxed{g_{ij} = g_{ji}}$

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$$\begin{aligned} g_{ij} &= g_{ji} \\ g_{ji} &= g_{ij} \end{aligned}$$

(Symmetric) in matrix  $\rightarrow$  symmetric

$g_{ij} \rightarrow$  called the metric tensor

Ex Cartesian  $g_{ij} = \text{unit matrix}$

$\rightarrow$  a quantity that tells us how to find length, distance  
in arbitrary coords

Consider  $\vec{\gamma}, \vec{\mu}$

Then  $\vec{\gamma} = \gamma^i \vec{e}_i = \gamma_i \vec{e}^i$  } There are 4 ways to get  
likewise  $\vec{\mu} = \mu^i \vec{e}_i = \mu_i \vec{e}^i$  }  $\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu}$ , and they  
all give the same ans

Now  $\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu} = \gamma^i \vec{e}_i \cdot \cancel{\mu_i \vec{e}^i}$  different index  
Rather (correctly)  $\boxed{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu} = \gamma^i \vec{e}_i \cdot \mu^j \vec{e}_j}$

$$\therefore \boxed{\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu} = \gamma^i \vec{e}_i \cdot \mu^j \vec{e}_j = g_{ij} \gamma^i \mu^j}$$

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Showed

$$\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j = \delta_j^i$$

$$\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j = g_{ij}, \quad \vec{e}^i \cdot \vec{e}^j = g^{ij}$$

Consider  $\vec{\gamma} = \gamma^i \vec{e}_i = \gamma_i \vec{e}^i$  } dot the two  $\rightarrow$  get 4  
 $\vec{\mu} = \mu^i \vec{e}_i = \mu_i \vec{e}^i$  } equivalent expressions for  $\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu} &= \vec{\gamma}^i \cdot \mu_j \vec{e}_j = g^{ij} \gamma_i \mu_j \\
 &= \vec{\gamma}^i \cdot \mu_j \vec{e}^j = g^{ij} \gamma_i \mu_j \\
 &= \vec{\gamma}^i \cdot \mu_j \vec{e}_j = \gamma_i \mu^j \delta_j^i = \gamma_i \mu^i \\
 &= \vec{\gamma}^i \cdot \mu_j \vec{e}^j = \gamma^i \mu_j \delta^j_i = \gamma^i \mu_i
 \end{aligned}$$

Note  $\mu^i \delta_j^i$

$$\begin{cases} S=0 & \text{if } j \neq i \\ S=1 & \text{if } j=i \end{cases}$$

$$\sum \mu^i \delta_j^i = \mu^i$$

Note

$$\sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{\gamma}^i \vec{e}_i \cdot \mu^j \vec{e}_j \neq \sum_{i=1}^3 \vec{\gamma}^i \vec{e}_i \cdot \sum_{j=1}^3 \mu^j \vec{e}_j$$

↑  
3 terms                      ↑  
9 terms (correct)

We have 4 equivalent expressions

$$\vec{\gamma} \cdot \vec{\mu} = g_{ij} \gamma^i \mu^j = g^{ij} \gamma_i \mu_j = \gamma^i \mu_i = \gamma_i \mu^i$$

double sum                      ↑  
single sum

These imply

$$\left[ g_{ij} \cdot \mu^j = \mu_i \right] \text{ and } \left[ g^{ij} \cdot \mu_j = \mu^i \right]$$

→ Can use metric tensor to go back and forth between contravariants - covariants

$$\left\{
 \begin{array}{l}
 g^{ij} \rightarrow \text{raises an index} \\
 g_{ij} \rightarrow \text{lowers an index}
 \end{array}
 \right.$$

Can also write

$$\mu^i = g^{ij}\mu_j = g^{ij}(g_{jk}^{\phantom{j}k}\mu^k)$$

It's also true that

$$\mu^i = \delta^i_k \mu^k$$

so

$$g^{ij}g_{jk} = \delta^i_k$$

$$\text{We can also do: } \mu_i = g_{ij}\mu^j = g_{ij}(g^{jk}\mu_k) = \delta^k_i \mu_k$$

$$g_{ij}g^{jk} = \delta^k_i \rightarrow \text{identity matrix}$$

These show that  $g_{ij}$  is the inverse of  $g^{ij}$

Note  $g = \text{matrix}$

Call

$\{g_{ij}\} \rightarrow \text{metric tensor}$

$\{g^{ij}\} \rightarrow \text{inverse metric tensor}$

### The METRIC TENSOR

$g^{ij}$  = metric tensor in 3D space.  $\Rightarrow$  contains info about physical  
length & geometry of the space

Consider a curve in 3D flat space with param.  $t$ .

$$\text{length} = \int_a^b \|r'(t)\| dt$$

Originally,  $\vec{r} = r(x, y, z)$

But, we can change to curvilinear coordinates

$$\begin{cases} x = x(u, v, w) \\ y = y(u, v, w) \\ z = z(u, v, w) \end{cases}$$

Then, for curve  $\begin{cases} u = u(t) \\ v = v(t) \\ w = w(t) \end{cases} \rightarrow \vec{r} = \vec{r}(u(t), v(t), w(t))$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} &= \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} \frac{du}{dt} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} \frac{dv}{dt} + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial w} \frac{dw}{dt} \\ &= \vec{e}_u \frac{du}{dt} + \vec{e}_v \frac{dv}{dt} + \vec{e}_w \frac{dw}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \vec{e}_i \frac{du^i}{dt}}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right| = \sqrt{\frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \cdot \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}} = \sqrt{\vec{e}_i \frac{du^i}{dt} \cdot \vec{e}_j \frac{du^j}{dt}} = \sqrt{g_{ij} \frac{du^i}{dt} \frac{du^j}{dt}}$$

$$\text{So } L = \int_a^b \left| \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} \right| dt = \int_a^b \sqrt{g_{ij} \frac{du^i}{dt} \frac{du^j}{dt}} dt = \int_a^b \sqrt{g_{ij} \frac{du^i}{dt} du^j} dt$$

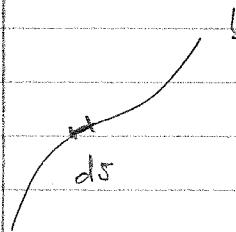
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Length of a curve for curvilinear coordinates.

Note parametrization can be used e.g.  $\sigma$  = param.

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{g_{ij} \frac{du^i}{d\sigma} \frac{du^j}{d\sigma}} d\sigma$$

We can introduce an infinitesimal line element



$$ds - \text{In 3D space} \quad ds = |\vec{dr}|$$

$$\text{So } L = \int_a^b |\vec{dr}| = \int_a^b ds \rightarrow \text{parameterized in } t \quad \text{but this is still} \\ (\text{NOT } b-a)$$

However, we can compare this with

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{g_{ij} u^i u^j} dt = \int_a^b ds$$

$$\Rightarrow ds = \sqrt{g_{ij} u^i u^j dt} = \sqrt{g_{ij} \frac{du^i}{dt} \frac{du^j}{dt} dt}$$

square this  $ds^2 = g_{ij} \frac{du^i}{dt} \frac{du^j}{dt} dt^2$

$ds^2 = g_{ij} du^i du^j$  → line element

(metric gives length changes in terms of coordinate changes...)

Example 1

[Cartesian coordinates]  $\{\hat{e}_i\} = \{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$

$\therefore g_{ij} = \hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_j = \delta_{ij}$

As a matrix  $[g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$   
 row  $\uparrow$  column 9 terms

So the line element  $ds^2 = g_{ij} du^i du^j =$

$$= 1 du^1 du^1 + 0 du^1 du^2 + \dots$$

$$\Rightarrow ds^2 = du^1^2 + du^2^2 + du^3^2$$

And  $u^1 = x, u^2 = y, u^3 = z$

$ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2 + dz^2$  (Cartesian, flat 3D space)

↑ looks Pythagorean

) comes from the form of the metric

Example 2

[Spherical Coordinates]  $(r, \theta, \phi)$

$$\hat{e}_r \cdot \hat{e}_r = 1, \hat{e}_\theta \cdot \hat{e}_\theta = r^2, \hat{e}_\phi \cdot \hat{e}_\phi = r^2 \sin^2 \theta \quad (\text{others are zero})$$

$$\hat{e}_r \cdot \hat{e}_\theta = \hat{e}_\theta \cdot \hat{e}_\phi = \hat{e}_\phi \cdot \hat{e}_r = 0$$

There give  $[g_{ij}] = \hat{e}_i \cdot \hat{e}_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$  flat space metric in spherical coords.

So the line element  $(u^1, u^2, u^3) = (r, \theta, \phi)$

$$ds^2 = g_{ij} du^i du^j = (1) dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2$$

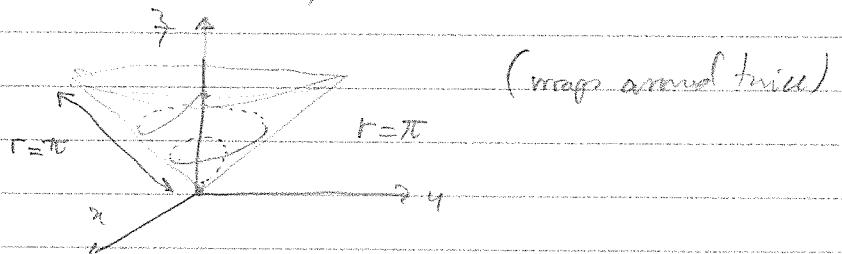
line element in  
flat 3D space  
in spherical coords

Example 3

Find the length of a curve in spherical coordinates of the form

$$\vec{r}(t) = (r(t), \theta(t), \phi(t)) = (t, \frac{\pi}{4}, 4t) \quad 0 \leq t \leq 4\pi$$

What does this look like?



Use that

$$ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2 \quad \text{with param} \\ dr = dt, \quad d\theta = 0, \quad d\phi = 4dt$$

$$\therefore ds^2 = \left[ 1 + 0 + 4t^2 \sin^2(\frac{\pi}{4}) \right] dt^2 = (1 + 8t^2) dt^2$$

So

$$L = \int_0^\pi \sqrt{1 + 8t^2} dt \approx 14.55$$

Note we've all seen diagonal metrics.

But not all metrics are diagonal

Ex. paraboloidal coordinates have non-diagonal  $[g_{ij}]$

We found  $\vec{e}_1 = (1, 1, 2u)$

$$\vec{e}_2 = (1, -1, 2u)$$

$$\vec{e}_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

$$\therefore [g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 2+4u^2 & 4u & 2u \\ 4u & 2+4u^2 & 2u \\ 2u & 2u & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then:  $ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j \rightarrow$  get all 9 terms, which then reduce to 6, since  $dx^i dx^j = dx^j dx^i$

$$= g_{11} dx^1 dx^1 + g_{12} dx^1 dx^2 + \dots$$

The metric also gives norms of vectors + inner products of vectors

(norm)  $|\vec{r}|^2 = \vec{r} \cdot \vec{r} = g_{ij} r^i r^j \rightarrow 9 \text{ terms}$

(inner prod)  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{\mu} = g_{ij} r^i \mu^j = g_{11} r^1 \mu^1 + g_{12} r^1 \mu^2 + \dots + g_{33} r^3 \mu^3$

In Cartesian  $\Rightarrow g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \quad [g_{ij}] = I$

$\rightarrow \vec{r} \cdot \vec{\mu} = r^1 \mu^1 + r^2 \mu^2 + r^3 \mu^3$

Now, can we turn these summations into Matrix Products?

→ Convenient to write vectors and 2-component tensors using matrices  
Note  $\Rightarrow$  more general tensors can't be written using matrices + I

First, remember how to multiply matrices...

i      j  
row    column

Suppose  $A = [a_{ij}]$  and  $B = [b_{ij}]$

and  $C = AB = [c_{ij}]$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & \vdots & & \\ & & c_{ij} & \\ & & & \vdots \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & \\ & & & \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & & \\ b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & \\ & & & \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

So  $c_{ij} = \sum_k a_{ik} b_{kj}$

column      row

(Summed index is  
in the middle → goes  
column - row)

Can also multiply vectors

$$\text{e.g. } \underline{F} = \begin{pmatrix} f_1 \\ f_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad \underline{G} = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{f} \cdot \underline{F} \cdot \underline{G} = \underline{F}^T \underline{G} = \sum_k f_k g_k$$

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Metric  $\rightarrow$  line element  $ds^2 = g_{ij} dx^i dx^j$

$\rightarrow$  inner products:  $\tilde{\mu}^i \cdot \tilde{\mu}^j = g_{ij} \tilde{\mu}^i \tilde{\mu}^j = g^{ij} \tilde{\mu}_i \tilde{\mu}_j = \tilde{\mu}_i \tilde{\mu}^i = \tilde{\mu}^i \tilde{\mu}_i$   
raising/lowering indices

Flat spacetime Cartesian  $[g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow a_i = g_{ij} a^j \Rightarrow a_1 = a^1, a_2 = a^2, a_3 = a^3$$

But in spherical coords:

$$[g_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{if } \tilde{a} = (1) \tilde{e}_0 \rightarrow \begin{cases} a_1' = 0 \\ a_2' = 1 \\ a_3' = 0 \end{cases} \quad (a^1, a^2, a^3) = (0, 1, 0)$$

↑  
(contravariant)

$$\text{So what are } a_i = g_{ij} a^j = 0$$

$$a_2 = g_{2j} a^j = r^2 g_{22} a^2 = r^2 \rightarrow (\text{covariant})$$

$$a_3 = g_{3j} a^j = 0$$

Norm?

$$\left| \tilde{a} \right|^2 = a^i a_j = a^2 a_2 = r^2 \quad (\text{neither excess})$$

or

$$\left| \tilde{a} \right|^2 = g_{ij} a^i a^j = g_{22} a^2 a^2 = r^2 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = r^2$$

How do we write these things using matrices?

Can represent contravariant vectors as columns

$$\underline{L} = [L^i] = \begin{pmatrix} L^1 \\ L^2 \\ L^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Similarly,

$$\underline{M} = [M^i] = \begin{pmatrix} M^1 \\ M^2 \\ M^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Covariant

How can we write

$$\underline{\tau} \cdot \underline{\mu} = g_{ij} \tau^i \mu^j \text{ using matrix?}$$

$$\underline{G} = [g_{ij}]$$

Now, must be careful with ordering + need transposes.

$$\underline{\tau} \cdot \underline{\mu} = \underline{\tau}^i g_{ij} \underline{\mu}^j$$

$$\underline{\tau} \cdot \underline{\mu} = \underline{L}^T \underline{G} \underline{M}$$

(1x3x3x1)

need transpose

$$\text{So } \underline{\tau} \cdot \underline{\mu} = (\underline{\tau}^1 \underline{\tau}^2 \underline{\tau}^3) \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} \\ g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} M^1 \\ M^2 \\ M^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

For COVARIANT (acc. to books)

$$\underline{L}^* = [L_i] = \begin{pmatrix} L_1 \\ L_2 \\ L_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{G} = [g^{ij}]$$

\* : covariant  
^ : inverse

$$\underline{M}^* = [M_i] = \begin{pmatrix} M_1 \\ M_2 \\ M_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Call it

$$\tilde{L}^* = \tilde{G} \cdot \tilde{L} \quad (\text{lower; interest})$$

Since  $\begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 \\ \lambda_2 \\ \lambda_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} g_{11} & g_{12} & g_{13} \\ g_{21} & g_{22} & g_{23} \\ g_{31} & g_{32} & g_{33} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda'_1 \\ \lambda'_2 \\ \lambda'_3 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda_i - g_{ij} \lambda'_j$

with  $\tilde{I} = \tilde{G}^* \tilde{G} = [\delta'_{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

then  $g^{ij} g_{jk} = \delta'_{ik} \rightarrow g_{ik} g^{kj} = \delta'_{ij} \rightarrow \tilde{G} \cdot \tilde{G} = [\delta'_{ij}]$

Now, want to find  $[g^{ij}]$  in spherical words...

Call me def.  $[g^{ij}] = \tilde{e}_i \cdot \tilde{e}_j$  with  $\begin{cases} \tilde{e}^r = \nabla r \\ \tilde{e}^\theta = \nabla \theta \\ \tilde{e}^\phi = \nabla \phi \end{cases}$

We found those... BUT there's another way

$$[g^{ij}] = [g_{ij}]^{-1} \quad \text{so} \quad [g^{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sin\theta \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

Easy for diagonal matrix

$$[g^{ij}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/r^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\sin^2\theta \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} (\text{can be diagonal}) \\ \text{matrix} \end{matrix}$$

## COORDINATE TRANSFORMATION in EUCLIDEAN SPACE

\* Want to learn how to transform between arbitrary coords

$$[(x, y, z) \longleftrightarrow (x', y', z')] \rightarrow \text{important in relativity}$$

Note no moving frames here. We also want to learn how vectors and tensors transform, as well as what they are...

[What is a vector?]  $\rightarrow$  has magnitude + direction.  $\vec{r}$  = vector

Hypothetical diagram showing a vector  $\vec{r}$  in a coordinate system with axes  $x$  and  $y$ . The vector is shown originating from the origin.

Same  $\vec{r} \rightarrow$  not diagonal  
But can now give it components  
w.r.t to a basis set ... ( $\vec{e}_i$ )

Hypothetical diagram showing the same vector  $\vec{r}$ , but in a different coordinate system with axes  $x'$  and  $y'$ . The vector is shown originating from the origin.

The same  $\vec{r}$ , but different  
comp. coordinates (since different basis set)

Under coordinate transforms, vectors don't change, but their components change, since their basis set changes

Using index notation,

we'll use  $\Rightarrow$   
this...

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{r}' = \text{component of } \vec{r} \text{ in } (x', y') \text{ basis} \\ \vec{r}' = \text{same thing} \end{array} \right\}$$

$\vec{r}'$  is weird, because it's no longer a dummy. We can't change it to  $l, u, m, \dots$

But, we can change  $i'$  to  $l'$  or  $u'$ , ...

Suppose  $\vec{r}$  = vector and have 2 words system

$\{u^i\}$  and  $\{u^{i'}\}$

e.g.  $u^i = \{r, \theta, \phi\}$ , and  $u^{i'} = \{p, \theta, z\}$

They are related,  $\boxed{\vec{u}^i = u^{i'}(u^j)}$

We also have basis sets with respect to each word. system

Unprimed :  $\vec{e}_i = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u^i}$ ,  $\vec{e}^i = \nabla u^i$ ,  $g_{ij} = \vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j$

Primed :  $\vec{e}_{i'} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u^{i'}}$ ,  $\vec{e}^{i'} = \nabla u^{i'}$ ,  $g_{i'j'} = \vec{e}_{i'} \cdot \vec{e}_{j'}$

A vector  $\vec{r}$  can have components in either basis

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = r^i \vec{e}_i = r^{i'} \vec{e}_{i'}}$$

So  $r^i$ ,  $r^{i'}$  must transform in a way that leaves  $\vec{r}$  alone

Use chain rule  $\boxed{\vec{r} = \vec{r}(u^i) = \vec{r}(u^{i'}(u^j))}$

$$\boxed{\vec{e}_j = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u^j} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u^{i'}} \frac{\partial u^{i'}}{\partial u^j} = \vec{e}_{i'} \frac{\partial u^{i'}}{\partial u^j} = \frac{\partial u^{i'}}{\partial u^j} \vec{e}_{i'}}$$

Call  $\boxed{U_j = \frac{\partial u^{i'}}{\partial u^j}}$   $\rightarrow$  9 partial derivatives..

Matrix  $\boxed{[U_j]} = \text{Jacobian} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^1} & \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^2} & \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^3} \\ \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^2} & \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial u^1} & \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial u^3} \\ \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^3} & \frac{\partial u^3}{\partial u^1} & \frac{\partial u^3}{\partial u^2} \end{pmatrix}$

We have that

$$\tilde{e}_j^i = U_j^{i'} \tilde{e}_{i'}$$

Now

$$\tilde{x} = \tilde{x}' \tilde{e}_{i'} = \tilde{x}^i \tilde{e}_j = \tilde{x}^i U_j^{i'} \tilde{e}_{i'}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{so}} \tilde{x}' = \tilde{x}^i U_j^{i'} = U_j^{i'} \tilde{x}^i$$

Jacobian...

→ transformation rule  
for contravariant  
vector components

We can also define Jacobian.

$$U_{i'}^j = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^{i'}}$$

$[U_{i'}^j]$  = Jacobian.

Ex 1.4.1 → show that

$$\begin{aligned} U_i^k U_j^{i'} &= \delta_j^k \\ U_i^k U_{i'}^{i'} &= \delta_j^k \end{aligned}$$

Note

$$\delta_{ji}^k = 1 \quad \text{if } k=j \rightarrow \text{is same as } \delta_j^k$$

→ Kronecker delta don't depend on Basis set / components.

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where  $U_j^{i'} = \frac{\partial u^{i'}}{\partial u^j}$  (Jacobian matrix)

also found

$$\tilde{x}^{i'} = U_j^{i'} \tilde{x}^j$$

and

$$U_{i'}^j = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^{i'}}$$

which obey

$$\left. \begin{aligned} U_i^k U_{j'}^{i'} &= \delta_j^k \\ U_{j'}^{k'} U_{i'}^{i'} &= \delta_i^k \end{aligned} \right| \quad \delta_{j'}^k = \delta_j^k$$

Next can invert  $\lambda^i = U_j^i \lambda^j$

$\Rightarrow$  mult. by  $U_i^k \lambda^i + \text{sum}$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{U_i^k \lambda^i = U_j^i U_i^k \lambda^j}$$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{U_i^k \lambda^i = f_j^k \lambda^j = \lambda^k}$$

Can let  $k = i$ ,  $i' = j' \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{\lambda^i = U_{j'}^i \lambda^{j'}}$$

so

$$\boxed{\lambda^{i'} = U_j^{i'} \lambda^j \text{ and } \lambda^i = U_{j'}^i \lambda^{j'}} \quad (\text{swapping primes} \in \text{sum})$$

Can also transform Gradient components

$$\tilde{e}^i = \tilde{e}_i^j e^j = \tilde{e}_j^k e^k$$

$$\text{where } \tilde{e}^j = \nabla u^j = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

if  $u^j = u^j(u^i(x,y,z)) \rightarrow$  need chain rule ...

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x}$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\tilde{e}^j = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial z} \hat{k}} \quad 9 \text{ terms}$$

rearrange these 9 terms ... Now, separate the  $1', 2', 3'$  terms ...

$$\tilde{e}^i = \left[ \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^1} \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^1} \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^1} \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right] + 2' \text{ terms} + 3' \text{ terms}$$

$$= \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^1} \left( \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial z} \hat{k} \right) + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^2} \left( \begin{matrix} \hat{x}' \\ \hat{y}' \\ \hat{z}' \end{matrix} \right) + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^3} \left( \begin{matrix} \hat{x}' \\ \hat{y}' \\ \hat{z}' \end{matrix} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^1} \cdot \nabla u^1 + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^2} \nabla u^2 + \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^3} \nabla u^3$$

$$\text{So } \tilde{e}^j = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^1} \tilde{e}^1 + \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^2} \tilde{e}^2 + \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^3} \tilde{e}^3 = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} \tilde{e}^i$$

Note

$$\frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} = U_i^j \Rightarrow \tilde{e}^j = U_i^j \tilde{e}^i \quad (\text{analogous form...})$$

Okay... what about covariant components..?

$$\tilde{\lambda} = \tilde{\lambda}^i \tilde{e}^i = \tilde{\lambda}_i \tilde{e}^i = \tilde{\lambda}_i U_i^j \tilde{e}^j$$

Therefore

$$\tilde{\lambda}_i' = U_i^j \tilde{\lambda}_j$$

Similarly

$$\tilde{\lambda}_j = U_j^i \tilde{\lambda}_i'$$

Note, we can introduce matrices

$$\tilde{U} = [\tilde{U}_j^i] = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^1} & \frac{\partial u^1}{\partial u^2} & \dots \\ \frac{\partial u^2}{\partial u^1} & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}$$

and the inverse

$$\tilde{U}^{-1} = [U_i^j]$$

And

$$\tilde{U} \tilde{U}^{-1} = I$$

Summarize Under a coordinate transform  $\tilde{u}^j \rightarrow u^i$  or  $u^j \rightarrow \tilde{u}^i$

$$\tilde{\lambda} = \tilde{\lambda}^i \tilde{e}^i = \tilde{\lambda}^j \tilde{e}_j = \tilde{\lambda}_i \tilde{e}^i = \tilde{\lambda}_j \tilde{e}^j$$

These are all related by  $\tilde{e}_j = U_j^i \tilde{e}_i \Rightarrow \tilde{e}^i = U_i^j \tilde{e}^j$

$$\tilde{e}^j = U_i^j \tilde{e}^i$$

Covariant

$$\tilde{\lambda}_i' = U_j^i \tilde{\lambda}_j \Rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}^i = U_i^j \tilde{\lambda}_j'$$

Covariant

$$\tilde{\lambda}_i' = U_i^j \tilde{\lambda}_j \Rightarrow \tilde{\lambda}_j = U_j^i \tilde{\lambda}_i'$$



notice the patterns!

The components of a vector must transform this way under general coordinate transformation.

→ We can turn this around to define a vector...

Def: A vector is a quantity whose components transform as

$$\vec{x} = v_j^i x^j \quad (\text{contravariant way})$$

under a general coordinate transformation  $v^i = v^i(u^j)$

Remarks We're often interested in vector fields (collection of vectors at different points)

(i) → components depend on coordinates

$$x^i = x^i(u^j)$$

At each point P, we would need  $x^i = v_j^i x^j$  to hold for this to be a vector field...

(ii) Not all 3-tuples of functions are vectors.

↳ e.g. Consider 3-tuple of coordinates

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \vec{x} = u^i \\ x^i = u^i \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{linked by } u^i = u^i(u^j)$$

To be a vector field under general coordinate transforms, it must be linear

$$x^i = v_j^i x^j. \quad \text{In this case becomes}$$

$$\rightarrow u^i = v_j^i u^j \quad \text{with } v_j^i \frac{\partial}{\partial u^i} = \alpha \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^j}$$

But in general this is NOT true  $u^i \neq \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^j} u^j$  ← instead  $u^i = u^i(u^j)$

So coordinates do not make a vector. As components they don't transform like this

→ This is why we never lower  $u^i$ , i.e.  $u^i \neq g^{ij}u_j$

BUT [there are special case exceptions]

e.g. → restrict to linear transformation

$$u^i = u^i(u^j) = C_i^j u^j \quad \text{where } C_i^j \text{ constant}$$

↑ new coords are just linear comb. of old ...

$$\frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^k} = C_i^j \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^k} = C_i^j \delta_{jk}^i = C_{ik}^j$$

$$\text{Let } k=i \Rightarrow C_i^j = \frac{\partial u^j}{\partial u^i} = v_i^j$$

→ Get  $u^i = u^i(u^j)$  get  $[u^i = v_i^j u^j]$  under linear  
transformations → so they

So coordinates do form a vector under  
linear coord. transformation (but not general word. diff.)

(iii) { Properly speaking we can define vectors with respect to }  
{ a particular class of transformation }

{ It is possible for it to be a vector w.r.t one class of  
transformation, but NOT a vector under another }

Defn: A under several coordinate transform

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[Example] . . .

Recall Coordinate transform  $u^i \rightarrow u^i'$   
→ There  $v_j^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^j}$ ,  $v_{j'}^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^{j'}}$

obey  $v_k^i v_j^{k'} = \delta_j^i$  and  $\lambda^i = v_j^i \lambda^j$

Can define a vector as a quantity whose components transform this way:-

Note  $\rightarrow$  coordinates do not form a vector since  $u^i \neq \frac{du^i}{dx^j} u^j$  in general

But  $\rightarrow$  differentials of coordinates do make a vector (they are displacements)

$du^i = \{dx^i, dy^i, dz^i\}$ . From the chain rule:  $du^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial x^j} dx^j$

$$\rightarrow du^i = U_j^i dx^j \rightarrow (du^i) \text{ makes a vector...}$$

**Example** Find  $U_j^i$  for a coordinate transform from Cartesian to spherical in flat 3D space.

$U^i \rightarrow U^i$  with  $U^i = \{x, y, z\}$ ,  $U^i = \{r, \theta, \phi\}$

$$U_j^i = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial r}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} \quad r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2} \quad \theta = \cos^{-1}(z/r) = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}\right) \quad \phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

(cont)

$$U_j^i = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta \cos \phi & \sin \theta \sin \phi & \cos \theta \\ \frac{1}{r} \cos \theta \cos \phi & \frac{1}{r} \cos \theta \sin \phi & -\frac{1}{r} \sin \theta \\ \frac{-\sin \phi}{r \sin \theta} & \frac{\cos \phi}{r \sin \theta} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Note this is the inverse of the Jacobian found previously  
 $dx dy dz = \det[U_j^i] dr d\theta d\phi$

Call  $[U_j^i] = \underline{\underline{U}}$ , and  $[U_j^i]' = \underline{\underline{U}}$

We can show

$$\underline{\underline{U}} \underline{\underline{U}} = \underline{\underline{U}} \underline{\underline{U}} = \underline{\underline{I}}$$

Example

Suppose  $\vec{r} = (1, 0, 0)$  in Cartesian coordinates. So  $\vec{r} = \hat{i} + 0\hat{j} + 0\hat{k}$

What are the components of  $\vec{r}$  in spherical coordinates? Well...

$$\vec{r} = r \vec{e}_r \Rightarrow \text{where } \vec{e}_r = \{\hat{e}_r, \hat{e}_\theta, \hat{e}_\phi\}$$

Now  $\vec{r}' = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{r}' \\ \vec{r}^2 \\ \vec{r}^3 \end{pmatrix} = 0_j' \vec{r}^j = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\theta \cos\phi & \sin\theta \sin\phi & \cos\theta \\ \frac{1}{r} \cos\theta \cos\phi & \frac{1}{r} \cos\theta \sin\phi & -\frac{1}{r} \sin\theta \\ \frac{-\sin\phi}{r \sin\theta} & \frac{\cos\phi}{r \sin\theta} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

So  $\begin{pmatrix} \vec{r}' \\ \vec{r}^2 \\ \vec{r}^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin\theta \cos\phi \\ \frac{1}{r} \cos\theta \cos\phi \\ -\frac{\sin\phi}{r \sin\theta} \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \text{components with respect to spherical coordinates...}$

Now have

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}' \hat{e}_r + \vec{r}^2 \hat{e}_\theta + \vec{r}^3 \hat{e}_\phi$$

$$\boxed{\vec{r} = \sin\theta \cos\phi \hat{e}_r + \frac{1}{r} \cos\theta \cos\phi \hat{e}_\theta - \frac{\sin\phi}{r \sin\theta} \hat{e}_\phi}$$

We know  $|\vec{r}| = 1$  in Cartesian. Is this still true in spherical...

~~$$|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}} = \sqrt{\sin^2\phi + \frac{1}{r^2} \cos^2\theta + \frac{\sin^2\phi}{r^2 \sin^2\theta}} = \sqrt{g_{rr}}$$~~

Now

$$|\vec{r}| = \sqrt{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}} \text{ where } \boxed{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r} = g_{ij} \vec{r}^i \vec{r}^j}$$

with the metric  $g_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 \sin^2\theta \end{pmatrix}$

Note metric tensor

$g_{ij} \neq I$  in general...

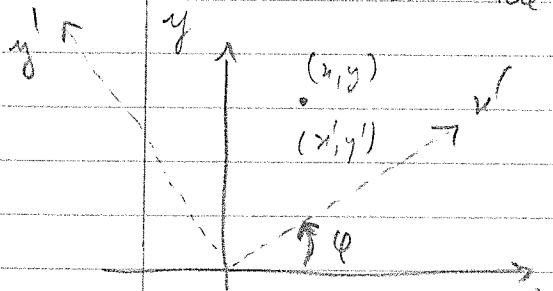
(exception is in Cartesian)

So  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r} = (\vec{r}')^2 g_{11} + (\vec{r}^2)^2 g_{22} + (\vec{r}^3)^2 g_{33}$

$$= \sin^2\theta \cos^2\phi + \cos^2\theta \cos^2\phi + \sin^2\phi = 1$$

$\therefore |\vec{r}| = 1$

Example Find  $U_j^i$  for a rotation of Cartesian coords by  $\varphi$  about the  $z$  axis.



$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

More completely

$$\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial u'}{\partial u_i} = [U_j^i] = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x'}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial x'}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial y'}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial y'}{\partial z} \\ \frac{\partial z'}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial z'}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial z'}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{same thing...})$$

Note ( $\varphi$  is fixed)

So  $[U_j^i]$  is a constant matrix  $\rightarrow$  linear transformation.

$\Rightarrow$  coordinates transform like vectors ... which is what we showed

$$\boxed{\begin{pmatrix} x' \\ y' \\ z' \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow u' = U_j^i u^i}$$

(This is NOT true in general. True only if components are fixed ...)

Any vector  $\vec{z}$  will have components that transform under rotation given by (generally)

$$\boxed{\vec{z}' = U_j^i \vec{z}^i}$$

rotated

unrotated

Hypothesis  $(x, y, z) = (1, 1, 0)$  what is  $(x', y', z')$ ? after rotation by  $\varphi$ .

Well

$$\vec{z} \cdot \vec{z} = g_{ij} z^i z^j = \delta_{ij} z'^i z'^j = \vec{z}' \cdot \vec{z}' \quad (g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \text{ in Cartesian}) \\ = 2$$

In  $(x', y', z')$

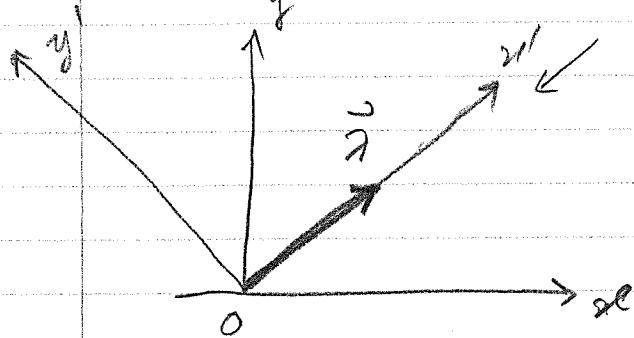
$$z'^i = g^{ij} z^j = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \varphi + \sin \varphi \\ -\sin \varphi + \cos \varphi \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

So  $\boxed{\vec{z} = (\cos \varphi + \sin \varphi) \hat{i}' + (-\sin \varphi + \cos \varphi) \hat{j}' + 0 \hat{k}'}$  ↑ w.r.t  $(x', y', z')$

e.g. if  $\varphi = 45^\circ$ , then  $\vec{z} = \sqrt{2} \hat{i}' + 0 \hat{j}' + 0 \hat{k}'$  (makes sense)

$$= \hat{i} + \hat{j} + 0 \hat{k}$$

Note  $|\vec{z}|$  still  $= \sqrt{2}$



But we need to know what  $g_{ij'}$  is...

$$|\vec{z}|^2 = g_{ij} z^i z^j \text{ does this} = (\sqrt{2})^2$$

↑ what is  $g_{ij'}$ ?

Question: How does the metric tensor transform. But first what is a tensor?

Vector  $\Rightarrow$  has magnitude + direction (one direction + one length)

Tensors  $\rightarrow$  generalization of vectors, but they're multi-directional

Ex

Vector: force  $\vec{F}$  /  $F = m\vec{a}$  ( $\vec{a}$  follows  $\vec{F}$ )

But now consider a balloon + squeeze it in 1 direction

$\downarrow \rightarrow \leftarrow \downarrow \rightarrow$  (response in all directions...)

→ Stress tensor  $F_{xx}, F_{xy}, F_{xz}, F_{yx}, F_{yy}, F_{yz}, F_{zx}, F_{zy}, F_{zz}$

\* Mathematically, generalize the def of a vector.

→ Give a definition based on how their components transform

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[TENSORS] → generalizations of vectors, but multi-directional.  
→ can't represent them as an arrow.

Can generalize def. of a vector to say...

Def A tensor is a multi-component quantity whose components transform as contravariant or covariant vector components

e.g.  $\tau^{ijl}$  is a tensor if

$$\tau^{ijkl} = U_m^i U_n^j U_k^l \tau^{mn} U_p^q U_q^l$$

Under a general coordinate transformation  $u^i = u^i(u^j)$

Show  $g_{ij}$  is a tensor  $g_{ij} = \vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{e}_j$   
 $g_{ij} = \vec{e}_i' \cdot \vec{e}_j'$

We can use  $\vec{e}_i' = U_i^k \vec{e}_k$ , &

$$\Rightarrow g_{ij} = U_i^k \vec{e}_k \cdot U_j^l \vec{e}_l = U_i^k U_j^l g_{kl}$$

So  $g_{ij}$  is a tensor

Similarly  $g^{ij} = U_k^i U_l^j g^{kl}$

A tensor  $T^{ijk}_{\text{mnp...}}$  is said to be of type  $(r,s)$  when it has  $r$  contravariants and  $s$  covariants.

Ex  $g_{ij} \rightarrow$  type  $(0,2)$  tensor }  $\gamma^i \rightarrow$  type  $(1,0)$  tensor

$g^{ij} \rightarrow$  type  $(2,0)$  tensor }  $\gamma_i \rightarrow$  type  $(0,1)$  tensor

Note  $U_j^{i'}$  is NOT a tensor. Rather, it's a transformation matrix

→ take components  $j \leftrightarrow i'$

Ex

write  $g_{ij}{}^{j'} = U_i^k U_{j'}^l g_{kl}$  as matrix eqn

let  $G = [g_{ij}]$ , and  $G' = [g_{ij'}]$

$$\hat{U} = U^{-1} = \left[ \frac{\partial u^k}{\partial u^i} \right]$$

Put metric in the middle

$$g_{ij'} = U_i^k g_{kl} U_{j'}^l \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow \text{row} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{row} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} \searrow \text{row} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{col} \end{matrix} \quad \rightarrow \text{not gonna work. Need to transpose 1st matrix}$$

$$\boxed{G' = \hat{U}^T G \hat{U}}$$

Note only tensors of type  $(r,s)$  with  $r+s \leq 2$  can be written as matrices multiplications i.e. Can't write  $T^{ij}{}_{kl}$  as a matrix

Ex

look at rotation by  $\phi$  about  $z$  again

$$\begin{pmatrix} u^1 \\ u^2 \\ u^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \boxed{U_j^{i'}} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \phi & \sin \phi & 0 \\ -\sin \phi & \cos \phi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Recall, in xyz frame,  $g_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , what is  $g_{ij}'$  in  $(x', y', z')$ ?

Have

$$[g_{ij}'] = [\tilde{U}_{ij}^k \tilde{U}_{jl}^l g_{kl}] = \tilde{U}^T G \tilde{U} = G'$$

Recall  $\tilde{U} = \tilde{U}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & \sin\varphi & 0 \\ -\sin\varphi & \cos\varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi & 0 \\ \sin\varphi & \cos\varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\frac{\partial u^k}{\partial u'^l}$$

(rotation by  $-\varphi$ )

+ transpose...

This gives

$$G' = [g_{ij}'] = \tilde{U}^T G \tilde{U} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & \sin\varphi & 0 \\ -\sin\varphi & \cos\varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos\varphi & -\sin\varphi & 0 \\ \sin\varphi & \cos\varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

⇒ Metric is the same in rotated Cartesian frame...

Notice in this case  $\boxed{\tilde{U} = \tilde{U}^T = \tilde{U}^{-1} \Rightarrow \tilde{U} \text{ is orthogonal}}$

Scalars

- invariant quantities under general coordinate transformation
- have no open indices
- type (0,0) tensors
- just numbers... → same in all coords system...

Ex Show that the magnitude of a vector is a scalar

$$\text{let } \vec{r} = \{r^i\} = \{r'^i\}$$

$$\|\vec{r}\| = \sqrt{\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r}} = \sqrt{r^i r_i} \text{ this has no open indices (it's a sum)}$$

$|\vec{r}|$  is a scalar if  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}' \rightarrow$  same number. Need to show  $\vec{r} \cdot \vec{r} = \vec{r}' \cdot \vec{r}'$  (INVARIANT)

$$\text{Use } \partial^i \partial_j = (U_j^i \partial^j)(U_i^k \partial_k) = \underbrace{U_j^i U_i^k}_{\delta_j^k} \partial^j \partial_k$$

$$= \delta_j^k \partial^j \partial_k = \partial^k \partial_k$$

$$\text{So } \partial^i \partial_j = \partial^k \partial_k \Rightarrow |\partial| \text{ is a scalar}$$

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Example Show  $ds^2 = g_{ij} du^i du^j$  is a scalar

$$\text{Need to show } g_{ij} du^i du^j = g_{ij} du^i du^j$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Use } g_{ij} = U_i^k U_j^l g_{kl}, du^i = \frac{\partial u^i}{\partial u^j} du^j = U_j^i du^j$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{So } g_{ij} du^i du^j \\ &= (U_i^k U_j^l g_{kl}) (U_m^i du^m) (U_n^j du^n) \\ &= (U_i^k U_m^i) (U_j^l U_n^j) g_{kl} du^m du^n \\ &= \delta_m^k \delta_n^l g_{kl} du^m du^n \\ &= g_{kl} du^k du^l = g_{ij} du^i du^j \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $ds^2$  is a scalar

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Summarize

3 classes of objects ... Scalars :  $\overbrace{\quad}^{\text{no open indices}}$  (invariant) ..

$\overbrace{\quad}^{\text{upper/lower index}}$  → transform as

$$\partial^i = U_j^i \partial^j, \partial_j = U_i^j \partial_i$$

$\overbrace{\quad}^{\text{Tensor}} \tau^{ij}_k \rightarrow \text{type } (r,s)$

↑ type (2,1)

$$\tau^{ij}_k = U_\ell^i U_m^j U_n^n \tau^{lm}_n$$

Components transform, but tensors themselves don't transform ..

## IV - Flat Spacetime

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$(t, x, y, z) \rightarrow$  spacetime words. (el  $\mu, \nu, \gamma, \delta$ ,  $\mu, \nu = 0, 1, 2, 3$ )

$$\text{I } X^\mu = \{x^0, x^1, x^2, x^3\} = (t, x, y, z)$$

$$X^\mu = (x^0, \vec{x}) = (x^0, x^i) \quad (i=1, 2, 3)$$

Coordinate transformation in general relativity are Lorentz Transformation

Note Under LT there's an invariant spacetime interval.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - dx^2 - dy^2 - dz^2 \\ \{ \quad = (dx^0)^2 - (dx^1)^2 - (dx^2)^2 - (dx^3)^2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{← line element} \\ \text{in Cartesian} \\ \text{gives "distance" in spacetime} \end{array}$$

coordinates in flat spacetime

Can read off the metric

$$ds^2 = \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

above

$$[\eta_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rightarrow \text{Minkowski metric}$$

Since in any other frame connected by a LT

$$\rightarrow (ds')^2 = (dx^0)^2 - (dx^1)^2 - (dx^2)^2 - (dx^3)^2 = (ds)^2$$

Logs that

$$[\eta_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = [\eta_{\mu\nu}] \rightarrow \text{same metric (Cartesian)}$$

So

$$ds^2 = \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

Note  $[\eta_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -g_{ij} & 0 \\ 0 & g_{ij} & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  can change in to spherical

Generally, in non-Cartesian coordinates or when there's curvature, we use

$$\Rightarrow g_{\mu\nu} = \text{metric} \quad ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

involution → But when using Cartesian coords in flat spacetime, let  $[g_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu}]$

With metric, we can raise/lower tensor indices

{ if  $\vec{x}^\mu = (\vec{x}^0, \vec{x}^1, \vec{x}^2, \vec{x}^3) = (\vec{x}^0, \vec{x}) \rightarrow \text{contravariant}$  }

then  $\vec{x}_\mu = \eta_{\mu\nu} \vec{x}^\nu = (\vec{x}_0, \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \vec{x}_3) \rightarrow \text{covariant}$

$$= (\vec{x}^0, -\vec{x}^1, -\vec{x}^2, -\vec{x}^3)$$

⇒ In flat spacetime in Cartesian coords,

$$\vec{x}^0 = \vec{x}_0$$

But spatial component →

$$\vec{x}^i = -\vec{x}_i$$

Because

$$[\eta_{\mu\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

How to get  $[\eta^{uv}]$ ? Take  $\uparrow$  inverse. Must satisfy  $\eta_{\mu\nu} \eta^{uv} = \delta_\mu^u \delta_\nu^v$

Not hard to see that  $[\eta^{uv}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = [\eta_{\mu\nu}]$

Then

$$\vec{x}^\mu = \eta^{\mu\nu} \vec{x}_\nu$$

As before there are 4 ways to take inner product...

$$[a \cdot b = a^0 \cdot b_0 + a^1 \cdot b_1 + a^2 \cdot b_2 + a^3 \cdot b_3 = g_{\mu\nu} a^\mu b^\nu = g^{\mu\nu} a_\mu b_\nu]$$

inner product of two 4-vectors.

Notice that  $a^\mu b_\mu = a^0 b_0 + a^1 b_1 + a^2 b_2 + a^3 b_3$  [Com. notations...]

Fact  $\left[ g_{\mu\nu} a^\mu b^\nu = a^0 b^0 - a^1 b^1 - a^2 b^2 - a^3 b^3 = a^\mu b_\mu \right]$

Why?  $\rightarrow$  simply because  $b_\mu = -b^\mu$  (by  $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$ )

Note The metric contains info on how to calculate lengths and intervals in spacetime...

Note We're skipping introducing basis vector. Could define a set  $(\tilde{e}_0, \tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_2, \tilde{e}_3)$  {basis, but}

So  $[a = \tilde{e}_0 + \tilde{e}_1 + \tilde{e}_2 + \tilde{e}_3]$

{ However,  $\tilde{e}_0, \tilde{e}_1, \tilde{e}_2, \tilde{e}_3$  are not  $i, j, k$  }

{ why?  $\tilde{e}_1 \cdot \tilde{e}_1 = g_{11} = -1$ , but  $i \cdot i = 1$  }

$\uparrow$  note index starts at 0

So  $\tilde{e}_0$  could have imaginary part

[ Basically, can't use basis vectors going forward! ]

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### Lorentz Transformation

→ is a coordinate transform from one inertial frame to another  $K \rightarrow K'$

Most general LT's include

Usually called collectively

"Poincaré transformations"

other distinctions

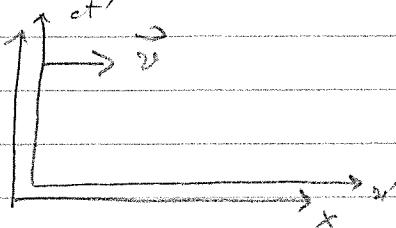
- (1) Lorentz boost (relative motion w/ const. v,  $t' = t = 0$ )
- (2) Translation (origins don't coincide at  $x' = x$ )
- (3) Spatial rotation  $x \neq x'$ , ...
- (4) spatial inversion (parity transformation)  $(x' = -x)$
- (5) Time reversal ( $t' = -t$ )

↳ inhomogeneous LT's → color, translation  
 ↳ homogeneous → no translation (same mass)  
 ↳ improper LT's → (parity / time reversal)  
 ↳ proper LT's → NO parity / time reversal ...

We can first look at homogeneous, proper LT's with no rotations

→ these are the real Lorentz boosts ...

e.g. A boost along  $x$



$$\text{Lorentz boost} \quad \begin{pmatrix} x'^0 \\ x'^1 \\ x'^2 \\ x'^3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \beta\gamma & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \beta\gamma & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x^0 \\ x^1 \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

In flat 3D space

$$v_j^{i'} = \frac{\partial x^i}{\partial x^j} \rightarrow \mathbf{D}$$

In 4D spacetime, in general:

$$\underline{x}_j^{i'} = \frac{\partial x^{i'}}{\partial x^j} \rightarrow \log \underline{x} : \underline{x}$$

But for Lorentz transformations use  $\Delta$ ,  $\Lambda$

$$\underline{x}_j^{i'} = \Lambda_{j,i}^{i'} = \frac{\partial x^{i'}}{\partial x^j} \quad \Lambda_{j,i}^{i'} \rightarrow \text{LT's only}$$

For a Lorentz boost

$$[\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu}] = \left[ \frac{\partial x^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\nu}} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} r & -\beta & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

ct 28, w8 recall Lorentz transformation  $x^{\nu} \rightarrow x'^{\nu}$

$$\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu} = \frac{\partial x^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\nu}} \text{ e.g. for a boost along } x$$

$$[\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu}] = \begin{pmatrix} r & -\beta & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta & r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ Note } \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu} \text{ constant}$$

This means LT's are linear transformations

This means Cartesian coords  $x'^{\nu}$  form the components of a vector under LT's

$$x'^{\nu} = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu} x^{\mu} \text{ is obeyed}$$

$$\text{This gives back } x'^{\nu} = r(x^{\nu} - \beta x^0) \Rightarrow x' = \delta(x' - \beta x^0)$$

This also means that in SR we can lower index of  $x^{\mu}$

$$\boxed{x_{\mu} = \gamma_{\mu\nu} x^{\nu}}$$

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But we never do this in general, e.g. in curved spacetime

But remember  $x^{\mu} = (ct, x, y, z)$

these obey

while  $x_{\mu} = (ct, -x, -y, -z)$

$$\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu} \Lambda_{\mu}^{\nu} = \delta_{\nu}^{\mu}$$

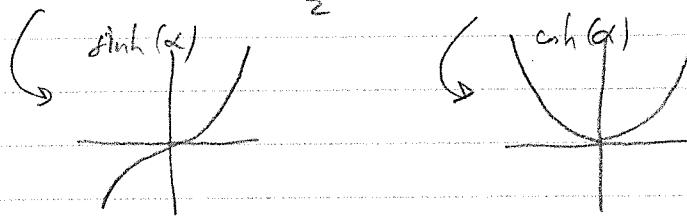
To find inverse

$$\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu} = \frac{\partial x^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\nu}} \text{ Just let } v = -\nu \in [\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu}] = \begin{pmatrix} r & \beta & 0 & 0 \\ \beta & r & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## A Curiosity about Lorentz boosts

→ can make them look like rotation using hyperbolic functions...

Use  $\sinh(\alpha) = \frac{e^\alpha - e^{-\alpha}}{2}$ ,  $\cosh(\alpha) = \frac{e^\alpha + e^{-\alpha}}{2}$



$$\tanh(\alpha) = \frac{\sinh(\alpha)}{\cosh(\alpha)}$$

$$\sech(\alpha) = \frac{1}{\cosh(\alpha)}$$

$$\operatorname{csch}(\alpha) = \frac{1}{\sinh(\alpha)}$$

$$\coth(\alpha) = \frac{1}{\tanh(\alpha)}$$

OKEY

$$\cosh^2 \alpha - \sinh^2 \alpha = 1$$

$$1 - \tanh^2(\alpha) = \operatorname{sech}^2(\alpha)$$

Look at

$$[\Lambda_{\mu}^{\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\beta\gamma & 0 & 0 \\ -\beta\gamma & \gamma & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Introduce  $\tanh \varphi = \frac{v}{c}$  where  $\varphi$  = rapidity

$$\text{So } \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \tanh^2 \varphi}} = (\operatorname{sech} \varphi)^{-1} = \cosh \varphi$$

$$\text{So } \frac{v}{c} = \beta\gamma = \sinh \varphi$$

Hyperbolic  
form of rotation  
between  
x and x'

$$\text{So } [\Lambda_{\mu}^{\nu}] = \begin{pmatrix} \cosh \varphi & -\sinh \varphi & 0 & 0 \\ -\sinh \varphi & \cosh \varphi & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

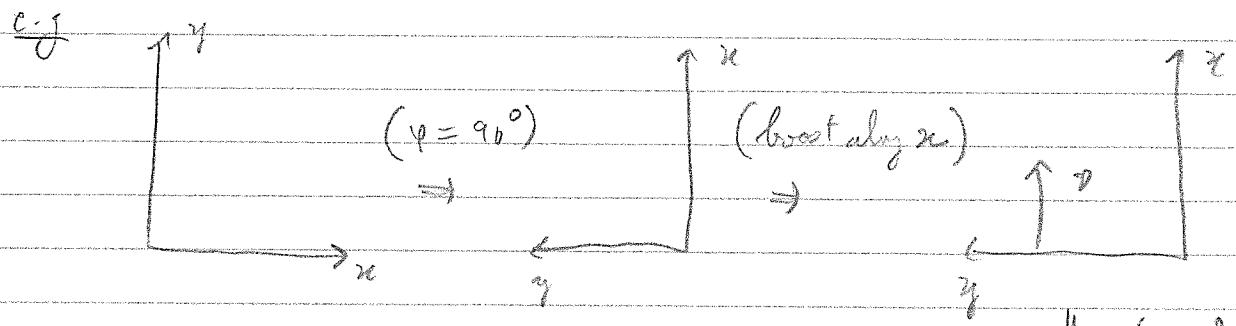
## Proper Homogeneous Lorentz Transform

↳ boost + rotation. There still leave form  $X' = \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\nu} X^{\nu}$   
 But now  $\Lambda^{\mu'}_{\nu}$  can be a boost or rotation.

Can look at a rotation about z by  $\varphi$

$$\left[ \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\nu} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

A Lorentz boost along an arbitrary direction can be found as  
 a combination of a boost along x + spatial rotation



So the end result is boost  
along y

So matrix multiply

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos \varphi & \sin \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & -\sin \varphi & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sin \varphi & 0 & \cos \varphi & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

rotate by  $-90^\circ$       boost along x      rotate by  $90^\circ$       boost  
 along y

## Poincare Transformations

↳ boosts, rotation, translations, time/spatial inversions.

Plane  $X^{\mu'} = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'} X^{\nu} + a^{\mu'}$  ← general form

(the rest) (translation) (constant), so  $\frac{\partial a^{\mu'}}{\partial x^{\nu}} = 0$   
 There are "affine" transformations: linear transformation with a shift

Suppose we take  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\nu}}$  of  $X^{\mu'}$

↳  $\frac{\partial X^{\mu'}}{\partial X^{\nu}} = \frac{\partial}{\partial X^{\nu}} X^{\mu'} = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'} = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'}$  for LTs

→ Get the usual definition  $\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'} = \frac{\partial X^{\mu'}}{\partial X^{\nu}}$ . With chain rule,

we still get  $\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'} \Lambda_{\sigma}^{\nu} = \frac{\partial X^{\mu'}}{\partial X^{\nu}} \frac{\partial X^{\nu}}{\partial X^{\sigma}} = \delta_{\sigma}^{\mu'}$

→ Still holds for Poincare transformation

Note → The defining feature of a Lorentz Transformation is that

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu} \\ &= \eta_{\mu'\nu'} dx'^{\mu'} dx'^{\nu'} \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

where

$$[\eta_{\mu\nu}] = [\eta_{\mu'\nu'}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

From  $X^{\mu'} = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'} X^{\nu} + a^{\mu'}$ , take differential

$$dX^{\mu'} = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu'} dX^{\nu} \rightarrow \text{plug into } (*)$$

LT's preserve the Minkowski metric (with Cartesian)

$$\hookrightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = \eta_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta$$

$$\rightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = \eta_{\mu\nu} (\Lambda_\alpha^\mu dx^\alpha) dx^\nu$$

$$\qquad \qquad \qquad = \eta_{\mu\nu} (\Lambda_\alpha^\mu dx^\alpha) (\Lambda_\beta^\nu dx^\beta)$$

$$\hookrightarrow \rightarrow \eta_{\alpha\beta} dx^\alpha dx^\beta = \eta_{\mu\nu} \Lambda_\alpha^\mu \Lambda_\beta^\nu dx^\alpha dx^\beta$$

Let  $\sigma \rightarrow \mu$ ,  $\varphi \rightarrow \nu$ ,  $\mu' = \alpha'$ ,  $\nu' = \beta'$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\eta_{\mu\nu} = \Lambda_\mu^{\alpha'} \Lambda_\nu^{\beta'} \eta_{\alpha'\beta'}}$$

Notice always this under Lorentz transforms. This shows 2 things

- { ①  $\eta_{\mu\nu}$  is a tensor  $\rightarrow$  transforms correctly }
- { ②  $\eta_{\mu\nu}$  is unchanged under Lorentz transformation }

For other vectors, tensors under LT's, won't have:

$$\text{Contravariant} \quad \gamma^\mu = \Lambda_\nu^\mu \gamma^\nu$$

$$\text{Covariant} \quad \gamma_\mu = \Lambda_\mu^\nu \Lambda_\nu^\lambda \gamma_\lambda$$

$$\text{Tensor} \quad \gamma^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \dots \mu_p}_{\nu_1 \nu_2 \dots \nu_q} = \Lambda_\alpha^{\mu_1} \Lambda_\beta^{\mu_2} \dots \Lambda_\alpha^{\mu_p} \Lambda_\beta^{\nu_1} \Lambda_\gamma^{\nu_2} \dots \Lambda_\gamma^{\nu_q}$$

general case these will be different

- { Scalars  $\rightarrow$  invariants under Lorentz transformations (same in all inertial frames) }

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4-vectors under Lorentz - Transformation

→ must obey

$$\gamma^{\mu} = \gamma^{\mu'} \gamma_{\nu}$$

scalars

Scalars → invariant under LT's.

e.g. Show inner products are scalars...  $a^{\mu} b_{\mu} = \gamma^{\mu'} \gamma_{\nu} a^{\nu} b_{\mu}$

invariant, same  $\Leftrightarrow$  {  
in all frames  
 $\rightarrow$  scalars.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \gamma^{\mu'} \gamma_{\nu} a^{\nu} b_{\mu} \\ &= \delta^{\mu}_{\nu} a^{\nu} b_{\mu} = a^{\mu} b_{\mu} \end{aligned}$$

This shows that the norm of every 4-vector is invariant

$$\gamma \cdot \gamma = \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} = \gamma^{\mu'} \gamma_{\mu}$$

Therefore the sign of the norm is invariant as well

$$\gamma^2 = (\gamma \cdot \gamma) = (\gamma^0)^2 - (\gamma^1)^2 - (\gamma^2)^2 - (\gamma^3)^2 \quad \text{can be } (-, +, +)$$

There are 3 cases

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \gamma^2 > 0 \\ \gamma = 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{time-like}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \gamma^2 = 0 \\ \gamma^2 < 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{light-like / null}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \gamma^2 < 0 \end{array} \right\} \rightarrow \text{space-like}$$

→ These labels do not change under Lorentz Transformations

- For time-like vectors, there is always a frame where  $\gamma^{\mu} = (\gamma^0, 1, 0, 0)$   
 $\rightarrow$  always rotate + boost to get this..

- For space-like, can always find a frame where  $\gamma^{\mu} = (0, \gamma^1, 0, 0)$   
or a frame where  $\gamma^{\mu} = (0, 0, \gamma^2, 0)$ , etc -

- For null vectors, can always find a frame where  $\gamma^{\mu} = (\gamma^0, \gamma^0, 0, 0)$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} (\gamma^0, 0, \gamma^0, 0), \text{ etc...} \quad \text{More generally, } \gamma^{\mu} = (\gamma^0, \vec{\gamma})$$

$$\text{so that } \gamma^{\mu} \gamma_{\mu} = 0$$

$$\text{with } |\vec{\gamma}| = \gamma^0$$

Ex 1

Is  $X^{\mu} = (ct, x, y, z)$  a contravariant vector under Poincaré transformation?

If so, then  $X^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} X^{\nu}$  would need to hold

Note Poincaré transform:

$$X^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} X^{\nu} + a^{\mu}$$

→ See that  $X^{\mu}$  is not a vector if  $a^{\mu} \neq 0$ . (Can't allow translations). Under LT's ( $a^{\mu} = 0$ ), then  $X^{\mu}$  is a vector.

Ex 2

Is  $dX^{\mu} = (cdt, dx, dy, dz)$  a vector under Poincaré transform?

Note Poincaré transform:  $X^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} X^{\nu} + a^{\mu}$

$$\hookrightarrow dX^{\mu} = \Lambda^{\mu}_{\nu} dX^{\nu} + 0$$

So  $dX^{\mu}$  is a vector  $\rightarrow dX^{\mu}$  is a vector under Poincaré transform

Ex 3

Suppose the  $\frac{\partial}{\partial X^{\mu}}$  of a scalar or vector? Is  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial X^{\mu}}$  a vector? What type?

Chain rule:  $\phi = \phi(X^{\nu}(X^{\mu}))$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial X^{\mu}} = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial X^{\nu}} \frac{\partial X^{\nu}}{\partial X^{\mu}} = \Lambda^{\nu}_{\mu} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial X^{\nu}}$$

So  $\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial X^{\mu}}$  is a vector. Note It's a covariant vector, because there's the upper indices cancel out.

Use notation to show this better:

$$\boxed{\frac{\partial}{\partial X^{\mu}} = \partial_{\mu}}$$

→ Then  $\partial_{\mu} \phi = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial X^{\mu}}$  is a covariant vector

Also  $\vec{\nabla} = \partial_i = (\partial_1, \partial_2, \partial_3)$

$\therefore \partial_\mu = (\partial_0, \partial_i) = (\partial_0, \vec{\nabla})$

Now, in Minkowski spacetime with Cartesian coordinates, that we can also define a lower coordinate

$$X_\mu = \gamma_{\mu\nu} X^\nu, \text{ Call } \partial^\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial X_\mu}$$

From  $X^\mu = \gamma^{\mu\nu} X_\nu \Rightarrow \frac{\partial X^\mu}{\partial X_\nu} = \gamma^{\mu\nu}$

$$\partial^\mu = \frac{\partial}{\partial X_\mu} = \frac{\partial X^\nu}{\partial X_\mu} \frac{\partial}{\partial X^\nu} = \gamma^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \quad \text{gives a contravariant vector}$$

Let us set

$$\partial^\mu = \gamma^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \quad \therefore \partial^\mu \phi = \gamma^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu \phi$$

But  $\partial^i \neq \vec{\nabla}$ . Instead  $\partial^i = -\partial_i = -\vec{\nabla}$

Can write  $\partial^\mu = (\partial^0, \partial^i) = (\partial^0, -\vec{\nabla})$

**VELOCITY, MOMENTUM, FORCE** what are these as 4-vectors?

Consider again  $X^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu X^\nu + a^\mu \rightarrow$  must transform correctly!

Velocity  $\frac{d}{dt} X^\mu = \frac{d}{dt} (\Lambda^\mu_\nu X^\nu + a^\mu) \rightarrow$  constant translation

$$\frac{d}{dt} X^\mu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu \frac{d X^\nu}{d t} + 0 \rightarrow \text{Note, same } t \text{ in both sides}$$

with  $X^\mu = (ct, \vec{x}) \rightarrow$  take t derivative

worldline velocity

$$\frac{d}{dt} X^\mu = (c, \vec{v}) \text{ with } \vec{v} = \frac{d \vec{x}}{dt} \text{. Can call } \boxed{\partial^\mu = \frac{d X^\mu}{d t} = (c, \vec{v})}$$

Put in a primed frame  $v^{\mu'} = \frac{dx^{\mu'}}{dt'} = (c, \vec{v}')$

Note  $\frac{dx^{\mu'}}{dt'} \neq \frac{dx^{\mu'}}{dt} \Rightarrow v^{\mu'} = \frac{dx^{\mu}}{dt'} + \frac{dx^{\mu'}}{dt} = \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\mu} v^{\mu}$

So  $v^{\mu'} \neq \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\mu} v^{\mu}$  so it's not a 4-vector

However, we can find an actual 4-vector velocity. Consider object with mass and  $v < c$  (no photons yet)

In this case  $ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu > 0$

timelike → project onto time axis

product divide by  $dt^2$

$$c^2 = \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dt} \frac{dx^\nu}{dt}$$

Call  $u^\mu = \frac{dx^\mu}{dt}$  → world velocity

Chain rule

$$u^{\mu'} = \frac{dx^{\mu'}}{dt'} = \left( \frac{dx^{\mu'}}{dx^\nu} \right) \frac{dx^\nu}{dt} = \Lambda^{\mu'}_{\mu} u^\mu$$

invariant

→ This shows that  $u^\mu$  is a contravariant 4-vector under LT's.

Also in that  $u^\mu u_\mu = \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dt} \frac{dx^\nu}{dt} = c^2$  (invariant inner product)

massive objects. invariant!

Can relate  $u^\mu$  to  $v^\mu$  by:  $c^2 dt^2 = c^2 dt'^2 - d\vec{x}^2$

So  $\frac{dt^2}{dt'^2} = 1 - \frac{d\vec{x}^2}{c^2 dt'^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{c^2} \left| \frac{d\vec{x}}{dt'} \right|^2 = 1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} = \frac{1}{\gamma^2}$

So  $\frac{dt}{d\tau} = \gamma$  or time dilation

So Recal  $u^{\mu} = \frac{dx^{\mu}}{d\tau} = \left( \frac{dx}{d\tau} \right) \frac{dt}{dt} = \gamma v^{\mu}$

with  $v^{\mu} = (c, \vec{v})$

So  $u^{\mu} = (\gamma c, \gamma \vec{v}) = \gamma(c, \vec{v}) = \gamma v^{\mu}$

still obeys  $u^{\mu} u_{\mu} = c^2$

In the object's rest frame,  $\vec{v} = 0$ ,  $\gamma = 1 \Rightarrow u^{\mu} = (c, 0, 0, 0)$  in  
 ↳ object at rest moves at speed  $c$  in time direction.

And moving objects  $u^{\mu} u_{\mu} = c^2$

Recall, Velocities "coordinate velocity"  $v^{\mu} = \frac{dx^{\mu}}{dt} = (c, \vec{v})$

Not a 4-vector

"world velocity"  $\rightarrow u^{\mu} = \frac{dx^{\mu}}{d\tau} = (\gamma c, \gamma \vec{v}) \rightarrow$  for massive object  
 ↳ is a 4-vector

Also obeys that  $u^{\mu} u_{\mu} = c^2$

and  $u^{\mu} = \gamma v^{\mu} = \gamma(c, \vec{v})$

Now, momentum

4-momentum can be defined as  $p^{\mu} = mu^{\mu}$

So that  $p^{\mu} = \gamma m v^{\mu} = m\gamma(c, \vec{v}) = (mc, m\vec{v})$

or  $p^{\mu} = \left( \frac{\gamma mc^2}{c}, m\vec{v} \right)$  But note  $E = \gamma mc^2$   
 $\vec{p} = \gamma m\vec{v}$

So  $p^{\mu} = \left( \frac{E}{c}, \vec{p} \right)$

$\vec{p}$

Norm:  $P^\mu$  has invariant  $|P^\mu|^2$

$$P^\mu P_\mu = m^2 u^\mu u_\mu = m^2 c^2$$

Put this  $P^\mu P_\mu = \frac{E^2}{c^2} - \vec{p}^2 \Rightarrow E^2 = c^2 |\vec{p}|^2 + m^2 c^4$

But what about massless particles (light)?

→ massless photons  $v=c$  always. → No proper-time  $d\tau$  DNE

→ The def  $u^\mu = \frac{dx^\mu}{dt}$  is undefined for light?

$$\text{For light: } ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 - |dx|_g^2 \rightarrow c^2$$

$$= c^2 dt^2 \left(1 - 1/c^2 \left|\frac{dx}{dt}\right|^2\right)$$

$ds^2 = 0$  → for photons → photon travels on null trajectory (zero norm)

For light, can't use  $\tau = \text{proper time}$ . But we can still parametrize their trajectory  $x^\mu(\sigma)$  → same parameter

Can define  $u^\mu = \frac{dx^\mu}{d\sigma}$

$$\Rightarrow u^\mu u_\mu = \eta_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{d\sigma} \frac{dx^\nu}{d\sigma} = \frac{\eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu}{d\sigma^2} \frac{ds^2}{d\sigma^2} = 0$$

→  $u^\mu$  is light-like (zero norm)

But light has energy + momentum

$$P^\mu = \left(\frac{E}{c}, \vec{p}\right) = \left(P^0, \vec{p}\right) \quad \text{recall, } E = h\nu, |\vec{p}| = \frac{h}{\lambda}$$

$$\underline{N_{ab}} \partial \lambda = c$$

$$\rightarrow E = c |\vec{p}|$$

For light  $P^\mu P_\mu = \frac{E^2}{c^2} - \vec{p}^2 = 0$  ( $E = c|\vec{p}|$ )

→ momentum is also light-like vector (makes sense)

Also use wave vectors

$$\vec{p} = \hbar \vec{k} = \frac{\hbar}{2\pi} \vec{k} \Rightarrow |\vec{k}| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

Can define a 4-vector

$$P^\mu = t K^\mu$$

$$K^\mu = (k^0, \vec{k})$$

$$\text{where } K^0 = \frac{P^0}{\hbar} = \frac{\hbar}{\lambda} \cdot \frac{1}{t} = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = |\vec{k}|$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Both } |k^0| = |\vec{k}| = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\text{So } K^\mu K_\mu = (k^0)^2 - (\vec{k})^2 = 0 \quad (\text{again, since } k^\mu \propto p^\mu)$$

Example Find  $\gamma$  for light emitted from a source (where  $\gamma_0$ )

that is receding

$$k^\mu' = (k^0', \vec{k}') = \left( \frac{2\pi}{\gamma_0}, -\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0}, 0, 0 \right)$$

In stationary frame

$$k^\mu = (k^0, \vec{k}') = \left( \frac{2\pi}{\gamma}, -\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}, 0, 0 \right)$$

But  $k^\mu = \Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu} k'^\nu$  (inverse LT)

where  $[\Lambda_{\nu}^{\mu}] = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \gamma \beta & 0 & 0 \\ \gamma \beta & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Let  $\alpha = 0$

$$k^0 = \Lambda_0^0 k'^0$$

0

$$\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \Lambda_0^0 k'^0 + \Lambda_1^0 k'^1 + \Lambda_2^0 k'^2 + \Lambda_3^0 k'^3 = \gamma \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} + \gamma \beta \left( -\frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} \right)$$

$$\text{So } \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} = \gamma \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} - \gamma \beta \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_0} = \frac{\gamma 2\pi(1-\beta)}{\lambda_0}$$

$$\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{\gamma}{\lambda_0} (1-\beta) = \frac{1}{\lambda_0} \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}}$$

$$\text{So } \lambda = \lambda_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}} \quad (\text{red shifted})$$

For light emitted from a source moving toward,  $v \rightarrow -v$

$$\lambda = \lambda_0 \sqrt{\frac{1-\beta}{1+\beta}} \quad (\text{blue shifted})$$

Note These are Doppler shifts due to relative motion.

Later we'll look at gravitational spectral shifts + cosmological redshift

Can define a 4-force vector  $f^\mu$  [ (back to dealing w/ massive obj) ]

$$f^\mu = \frac{dp^\mu}{dt} \quad (\text{only for massive objects})$$

$$\text{where } p^\mu = m u^\mu = m \frac{dX^\mu}{dt}$$

$$\text{Get } f^\mu = m \frac{dX^\mu}{dt^2} \quad (\text{relativistic 2nd law})$$

with

$$p^\mu = (E, \vec{p}) + \text{constant} \quad \frac{dp^\mu}{dt} = \frac{dt}{dt} \frac{dp^\mu}{dt}$$

$$\text{we showed } \frac{dt}{dt} = \gamma$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dp^\mu}{dt} = \gamma \frac{dp^\mu}{dt} \Rightarrow \gamma \left( \frac{1}{c} \frac{dE}{dt}, \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} \right) \vec{p} \Rightarrow \vec{p} \text{ constant}$$

$$\text{power } \frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{1}{c} (\vec{F}_e \cdot \vec{v}) = \vec{F}_e \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = \vec{F}_e \cdot \vec{v}$$

So  $f^\mu = \gamma \left( \frac{1}{c} \vec{E}, \vec{V} \right)$  for a constant force  $\vec{F}$ .

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Result  $f^\mu = \frac{\partial p^\mu}{\partial x^\nu} = m \frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial t^2}$  where  $p^\mu = \left( \frac{E}{c}, \vec{p} \right)$

and for constant force  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt} = \vec{F}, \vec{V}$

$$\Rightarrow f^\mu = \gamma \left( \frac{1}{c} \vec{E}, \vec{V} \right) \rightarrow \boxed{u^\mu f_\mu = 0} \text{ orthogonal in 4D spacetime}$$

Can look in 1D

$$f^\mu = \left( \frac{8V}{c} E, rF, 0, 0 \right)$$

and  $u^\mu = (r c, rV, 0, 0)$

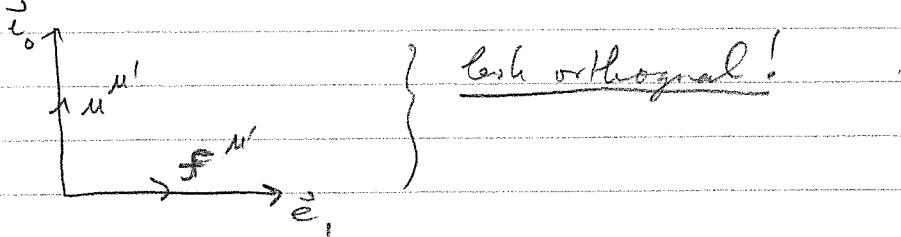
So plot them in spacetime  $\vec{e}_0, \vec{e}_1$ , slope =  $\frac{c}{V}$  } both ortho

Well, we can also look in instantaneous rest frame:

$$\Rightarrow V=0, \delta=1$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$f^\mu = (0, F, 0, 0), \text{ and } u^\mu = (c, 0, 0, 0)$$



What we have is an inner product  $u^\mu f_\mu = 0$ . It's a scalar and therefore same in all frames  $\rightarrow$  only true one frame for them to be orthogonal  $\rightarrow u^\mu f_\mu = 0 +$  frames.

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## Relativistic Electromagnetism

→ We previously found Maxwell's Eqns in differential form

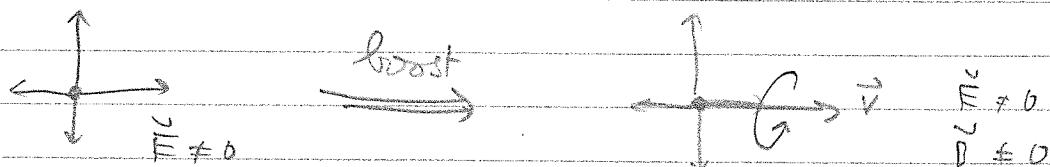
$$\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \nabla \cdot \vec{E} = \frac{P}{\epsilon_0} \\ \nabla \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ \nabla \cdot \vec{B} = 0 \\ \nabla \times \vec{B} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} \end{array}}$$

charge density  $\rightarrow \rho$  & current density  $\rightarrow \vec{J}$

N.B.  $q = \int \rho dV$ ,  $I = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{A}$ , and  $\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} = c^2$

Note  $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$  are 3D. What are they in 4D?

→ Together have 6 components which mix under Lorentz transform  
e.g. Boost a rest charge into moving frame  $\rightarrow$  from  $\vec{E}$  to  $\vec{E}' + \vec{B}$



$B^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  Lays  $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$  join relativistically

Find that  $\vec{E}, \vec{B}$  combine to give tensor

Define -Electromagnetic field strength  $F^{MN}$

$$\boxed{[F^{MN}] = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & E^1/c & E^2/c & E^3/c \\ -E^1/c & 0 & B^3 & -B^2 \\ -E^2/c & -B^3 & 0 & B^1 \\ -E^3/c & B^2 & -B^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}$$

Note  $F^{MN} = -F^{NM}$   
 $\rightarrow$  has only 6 components

$$F^{MN} = 0 \text{ if } \mu = \nu$$

Can also define

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\alpha} \eta_{\nu\beta} F^{\alpha\beta}$$

As matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_{\mu\nu} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_{\mu\nu} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F^{\alpha\beta} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta_{\alpha\beta} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -E/c & -E^2/c & -E^3/c \\ E/c & 0 & B^3 & -B^2 \\ E^2/c & -B^3 & 0 & B^1 \\ E^3/c & B^2 & -B^1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, can form vector out of  $\rho$  and  $\vec{J}$ :

$j^\mu = (\rho, \vec{J})$  define the 4-vector current density

In terms of these, Maxwell's eqn become:

$$\partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 j^\mu$$

$$\partial_0 F_{0\nu} + \partial_1 F_{1\nu} + \partial_2 F_{2\nu} + \partial_3 F_{3\nu} = 0$$

e.g. look at  $\partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 j^\mu$

Look at  $m=0 \rightarrow \partial_\nu F^{0\nu} = \mu_0 j^0 = \mu_0 \rho c$

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{\partial_0 F^{00} + \partial_1 F^{01} + \partial_2 F^{02} + \partial_3 F^{03}}_0 = \mu_0 c \rho$$

$$\frac{1}{c} \underbrace{\partial_i E^i}_0 = \rho c \mu_0$$

$$\vec{E} \cdot \vec{E} = \rho c^2 \mu_0 = \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0}$$

Next, let  $\mu = h$ ,  $h = \{1, 2, 3\}$

$$\therefore \partial_\nu F^{\mu\nu} = \mu_0 j^h = \mu_0 J^h = \partial_0 F^{h0} + \partial_i F^{hi}, \quad \partial_0 = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial t}$$

$$F^{h0} = -\frac{E^h}{c}$$

$$\int \partial_0 F^{k0} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial E^k}{\partial t}$$

For  $\partial_i F^{ki}$ . Let  $k=1$

$$\begin{aligned} \oint \partial_i F^{1i} &= \underbrace{\partial_1 F^{11} + \partial_2 F^{12} + \partial_3 F^{13}}_0 = \partial_1 B^1 + \partial_2 (-B^2) \\ &= (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})^1 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,  $k=1 \Rightarrow \partial_i F^{ki} = (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})^k$

$k=2 \Rightarrow \partial_i F^{ki} = (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})^k \leq \partial_i F^{ki} = (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})^k$

$$\int \frac{-1}{c^2} \frac{\partial E^k}{\partial t} + (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B})^k = \mu_0 J^k$$

$$\boxed{\vec{(\nabla \times \vec{B})} = \mu_0 \vec{J} + \mu_0 \epsilon \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t}} \quad (\text{Ampere - Maxwell})$$

Similarly, can write it

$$\partial_0 F_{0x} + \partial_x F_{00} + \partial_y F_{0y} = 0 \quad \left. \right\} \Rightarrow \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} = 0$$

Can show that for various values of  $\sigma, \gamma, \mu$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} = -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}$$

e.g. ( $\mu=0, \gamma=1, \sigma=2$ )  $\Rightarrow (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E})^3 = -\left(\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t}\right)^3$

To summarize, in SR, all physical properties are some sort of tensors with scalars =  $m, \epsilon, d^2, c$

Vectors  $\rightarrow u^\mu, p^\mu, f^\mu. f^\mu = \frac{\partial P^\mu}{\partial x^\nu} = m \frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial t^2}$

Tensors  $\tau_{\mu\nu}, F^{\mu\nu} (\epsilon = m)$

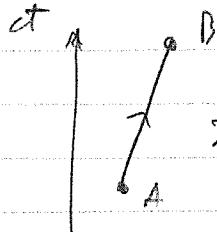
All transforms in definite ways under Lorentz transformation

### Geodesics

In 3D, flat space, can think of these as shortest distance between 2 points  $\rightarrow$  straight line  $\rightarrow$  path of free particle. Free particles follow geodesics

But in 4D spacetime, Minkowski. Now, free particle,  $\Rightarrow f^\mu = 0$

$\hookrightarrow \frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial \tau^2} = 0$  has a solution  $X^\mu(\tau)$  that is a straight line in spacetime



$X^\mu(\tau)$  obeying  $\frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial \tau^2} = 0$  gives a straight line  $\Rightarrow$  can call this a geodesic

$\rightarrow$  Geodesics are solutions of  $\frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial \tau^2} = 0$

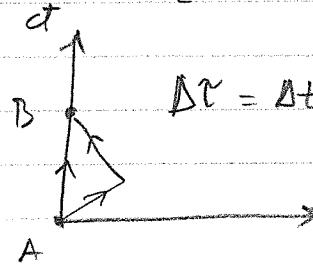
BUT geodesics in Minkowski spacetime are not the shortest "distance"

We calc. distance w/  $ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$ .

Moving massive particles

$$ds^2 = c^2 d\tau^2 > 0$$

Consider  $A \rightarrow B$



$$\Delta\tau = \Delta t \quad (\text{particle at rest in space})$$

For moving path

$$c\Delta\tau' = \sqrt{(1/c\Delta t)^2 - (\Delta x)^2}$$

$$\text{Find that } \Delta\tau' < \Delta\tau \rightarrow$$

geodesics has maximal proper time

not a geodesics (time slows in moving frame)

So we won't think in terms of shortest distance. We'll use that

geodesic  $\Rightarrow$  path of free particle  $\frac{\partial^2 x^\mu}{\partial \tau^2} = 0$

## I. CURVED SPACES

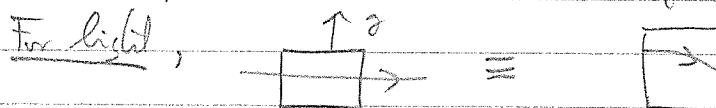
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- ↳ local: Equivalence principle (EP) leads us towards the idea of curved spacetime

EP:



For light,



In GR gravity is not a force. Instead, massive objects curve or warp spacetime around them. Light travels as a free particle along a "geodesic" through curved spacetime.

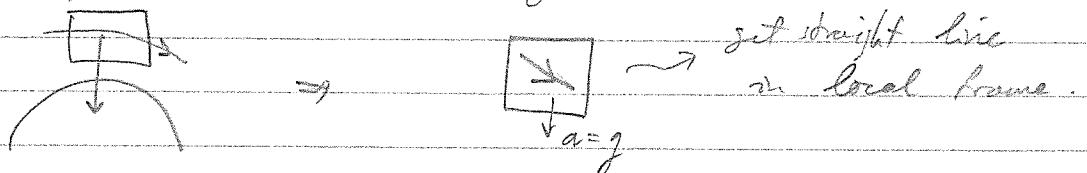
Q: How to find equation for geodesic?

Two ways to go

One uses that we have the geodesic eq in an inertial frame  $\Rightarrow \frac{d^2x^\mu}{dt^2} = 0$

$$\text{frame } \Rightarrow \frac{d^2x^\mu}{dt^2} = 0$$

EP says for an object in a gravitational field ...



The geodesics in the locally flat frame - with  $x^\mu$  coords obey

$$\frac{d^2x^\mu}{dt^2} = 0$$

Cord. transform  $\mu'$  back to  $\mu$ . Get

$$\frac{d^2x^\mu}{dt^2} + \Gamma^\mu_{\nu\sigma} \frac{dx^\nu}{dt} \frac{dx^\sigma}{dt} = 0$$

$\Gamma^\mu_{\nu\sigma}$  = Christoffel symbol or  
affine connection

geodesic eqn

Also from

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

! - (curved space)

We could also find  $\Gamma_{\nu\sigma}^{\lambda}$  in terms of  $g_{\mu\nu}$ .

→ But we won't take this route!

Instead, we'll see how to describe curved spaces + gravitons directly.

We'll find the same geodesic equation

$$\frac{d^2x^\mu}{dt^2} + \Gamma_{\nu\sigma}^{\mu} \frac{dx^\nu}{dt} \frac{dx^\sigma}{dt} = 0$$

We'll see how  $g_{\mu\nu}$ ,  $\Gamma_{\nu\sigma}^{\mu}$ , and the Riemann curvature tensor

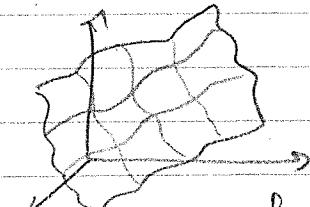
$R_{\mu\nu\rho}^{\lambda}$  are related.

Then we'll look at the Einstein eqn that'll let us solve for  $g_{\mu\nu}$  for a given distribution of matter (mass/energy).

### Curved Spaces

According to GR we live in a curved 4-D spacetime as hard to visualize. To start off simpler, can look at 2D spaces that we can embed in 3D.

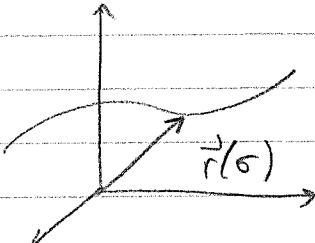
Curved 2D spaces → can embed in flat 3D spaces.



→ can be closed / open

→ can't flatten it if it's curved.

Recall that 1D curve thru 3D space is a set of parametrized points  $\sigma, t, \dots$

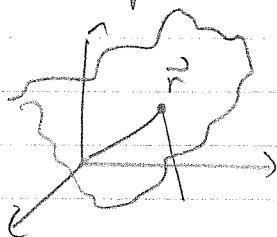


$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} + z\hat{k} \quad x = x(s)$$

$$y = y(s)$$

$$z = z(s)$$

In a similar way, can parameterise 2D surface in 3D space w/ 2 params.  $\rightarrow (u, v)$



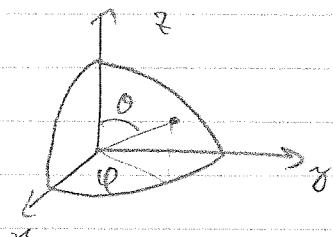
$$\vec{r} = \vec{x}\hat{i} + \vec{y}\hat{j} + \vec{z}\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{x} = x(u, v)$$

$$\vec{y} = y(u, v)$$

$$\vec{z} = z(u, v)$$

e.g. Sphere of radius  $a$ .



$$\text{radius} = a \quad \vec{r} = \vec{x}\hat{i} + \vec{y}\hat{j} + \vec{z}\hat{k}$$

$$x = a \sin \theta \cos \varphi$$

$$(u, v) = (\theta, \varphi)$$

$$y = a \sin \theta \sin \varphi$$

$$z = a \cos \theta$$

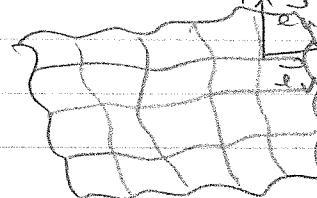
Can also think about

staying entirely within the 2D surface, without having about the 3rd direction.

In this case  $(u, v) \rightarrow$  become coordinates of the curved space,

**Note**  $\rightarrow$  can't put Cartesian words over the surface of the whole space

We can then generate tangent vectors



$$u = \text{const}$$

$$v = \text{const}$$

These are tangent to the surface. They don't lie in the space!

$\rightarrow$  still give the directions along the curve

$\rightarrow$  vector lives in tangent space  $T_p$  at each point  $P$ .

Look at a little displacement  $ds^2 = d\vec{r} \cdot d\vec{r}$

$$\vec{r} = \vec{r}(u, v) \rightarrow d\vec{r} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} du + \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial v} dv = \vec{e}_u du + \vec{e}_v dv$$

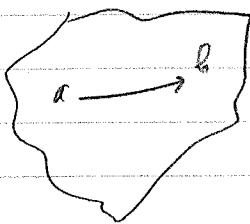
$$\text{Call } u^A = (u^1, u^2) = (u, v) \quad , A=1, 2 \quad \left\{ \quad d\vec{r} = \vec{e}_A du^A \right.$$

Then  $ds^2 = \tilde{g}_{\hat{r}\hat{r}} d\hat{r}^2 + \tilde{g}_{\hat{\theta}\hat{\theta}} d\hat{\theta}^2 = (\tilde{e}_A du^A) \cdot (\tilde{e}_B du^B) = \tilde{e}_A \cdot \tilde{e}_B du^A du^B$

$$\therefore [ds^2 = g_{AB} du^A du^B]$$

$[g_{AB}]$  -  $2 \times 2$  matrix in  
2D.

just as before, but in 2D and with a curved space... Can then calculate the length of the curve in curved 2D space.



Have a line in the surface  $\Rightarrow$  must param. the curve

$u = u(\sigma), v = v(\sigma)$  gives the line

length of curve  $L = \int ds$

where  $ds^2 = g_{AB} du^A du^B = g_{AB} \frac{du^A(\sigma)}{d\sigma} \frac{du^B(\sigma)}{d\sigma} d\sigma^2$

Call  $u^A(\sigma) = \frac{du^A(\sigma)}{d\sigma}$

$$\Rightarrow ds = \sqrt{g_{AB} u^A(\sigma) u^B(\sigma)} d\sigma \quad \boxed{L = \int_a^b \sqrt{g_{AB} u^A(\sigma) u^B(\sigma)} d\sigma}$$

This is same as before, but now in curved space.

What about the dual basis  $\tilde{e}^A$ ?  $\Rightarrow$  not well-defined as  $\tilde{e}^A = \nabla u^A$  as before. Why? with 3 coords in 2D  $\nabla u$  is  $\perp$  to surface.  $u = \text{constant}$ .

But here  $u = \text{constant}$  is a line  $\Rightarrow$  there are many normals to  $u = \text{constant}$ . We can't use the gradient of  $u$ .

Instead, what we do is first, define  $\tilde{e}^A$  as tangent vector along  $u^A$  then find  $g_{AB} = \tilde{e}_A \cdot \tilde{e}_B$ . Then find  $g^{AB}$  (the inverse)

$$(g_{AB} g^{BC} = \delta_A^C). \text{ Then we } g^{AB} \text{ to raise index of } \tilde{e}^A$$

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\tilde{e}^A = g^{AB} \tilde{e}_B} \rightarrow \text{then we'll have both sets...}$$

**Curved spaces**

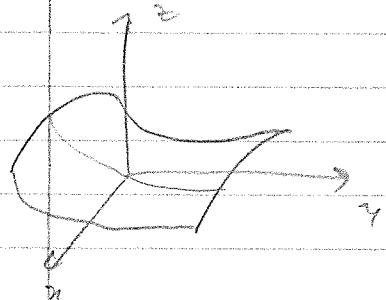
$(u, v) \rightarrow$  words  $\rightarrow u^A \quad A = 1, 2$

$$\tilde{e}_A \text{ Tangents and } g_{AB} = \tilde{e}_A \cdot \tilde{e}_B$$

[Ex]

$$\text{Dual basis } \tilde{e}^A = \delta^{AB} \tilde{e}_B$$

Consider a saddle embedded in 3D flat space



Use paraboloidal words with  $w = \text{constant}$

$$u = u + v$$

$$y = u - v$$

$$\vec{r} = (u+v, u-v, 2uv)$$

$$z = 2uv$$

$$\tilde{e}_u = \tilde{e}_w = \frac{\partial \vec{r}}{\partial u} = (1, 1, 2v) \quad \tilde{e}_v = (1, -1, 2u)$$

$$\therefore [g_{AB}] = [\tilde{e}_u \tilde{e}_v] = \begin{pmatrix} 2+4v^2 & 4uv \\ 4uv & 2+4u^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore [g^{AB}]^{-1} = [g_{AB}]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1+2u^2 & -2u \\ -2u & 1+2v^2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{2(1+2u^2+2v^2)}$$

So  $\tilde{e}^A = g^{AB} \tilde{e}_B = ?$  (See p. 37 in book) (but easy to compute)

{ Ultimately, we want the basis lots much going forward. The important }  
 { info is contained in metric }

[Ex]  $ds^2 = g_{AB} dx^A dx^B$

Knowing this enough!

E.g. flat 2D you  $g_{AB} = \delta_A^B \rightarrow ds^2 = dx^2 + dy^2$

In GR, we'll use the Einstein eqn to find  $g_{AB}$

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Manifolds

→ An arbitrary curved N-D space is called a manifold

↳ Assume we know the metric. Can write coords

$$x^a = (x^1, x^2, \dots, x^n)$$

with more than one coord. system. We assume differentiable functions

$$\begin{aligned} x^{a'} &= x^{a'}(x^b), \text{ and that these are invertible} \\ \Rightarrow x^a &= x^a(x^{b'}) \end{aligned}$$

↳ Call M a differentiable manifold with defined Jacobian

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \bar{x}_b^{a'} &= \frac{\partial x^{a'}}{\partial x^b} \\ \bar{x}_b^a &= \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^{b'}} \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \bar{x}_b^{a'} \bar{x}_c^{b'} = \delta_c^a$$

We've seen flat Euclidean space →  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v^a \leftarrow x^a \\ v_j^{a'} \leftarrow \bar{x}_b^a \end{array} \right.$ and flat 4D spacetime →  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} x^a \leftarrow x^a \\ u_j^{a'} \leftarrow \bar{x}_b^a \end{array} \right.$ 

We define vectors, tensors, scalars by how they transform.

$$\vec{v}^{a'} = \bar{x}_b^{a'} \vec{v}^b \rightarrow \text{contravariant vector}$$

$$N_a^c = \bar{x}_a^{a'} M_b^c \rightarrow \text{covariant vector}$$

$$T^{a'b'}_{\quad c'd'} = \bar{x}_c^{a'} \bar{x}_d^{b'} \bar{x}_e^{c'} \bar{x}_f^{d'} \underset{\cancel{c'f}}{\underset{\cancel{g}}{\cancel{T^{ef}}}} \leftarrow \text{tensor}$$

Metric lowers/raises  $\lambda_a = g_{ab} \lambda^b + \text{has an inverse}$ 

$$g^{ab} g_{bc} = \delta_c^a$$

In general, the metric need not be positive definite

$$ds^2 = g_{ab} dx^a dx^b \rightarrow \text{can be } (+, 0, -)$$

Signature of  $g_{ab} = (\# \text{ positive}) - (\# \text{ negative})$  down the diagonal

$\hookrightarrow \gamma_{\mu\nu}$  has signature -2. ( $\operatorname{diag}(g_{ab}) = 1-3 = -2$ )

Note All metrics in GR have signature = -2 (local SR)

Two classes of manifolds: Riemannian manifolds (positive def. metric)

{ pseudo-Riemannian manifold

↳ can have non zero products

N.B. Spacetime  $\Rightarrow$  pseudo Riemannian manifold

Recall There are 9 ways to compute inner products

$$\partial_i \mu = \partial_i^\mu_1 = \partial_i \mu^i = g_{ij} \partial^j \mu^i = g^{ij} \partial_i \mu_j$$

There are scalars under general coord. transforms.

$$\partial_i \mu = \partial^a \mu_a = \partial^a \mu_a$$

To define lengths + distances as real numbers, need abs. values

Distance  $ds = \sqrt{|g_{ab} dx^a dx^b|}$

Length of curve  $L = \int_a^b ds = \int_a^b \sqrt{|g_{ab} dx^a dx^b|}$

Length of vector

$$|\alpha| = \sqrt{|\alpha^a \alpha_a|} \rightarrow \text{can still be null}$$

For non-null vectors, we can define "angle" between them.

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{M}}{|\mathbf{J}| |\mathbf{M}|} \rightarrow \text{have to be non-null to avoid div. by 0}$$

$$= \frac{J_{ab} M^{ab}}{|\mathbf{J}| |\mathbf{M}|}$$

→ works well for positive def. metrics. But become weird for spacetime!

Ex Spacelike  $\mathbf{J} \Rightarrow \theta = 180^\circ$  between it and itself

Can also get  $\cos\theta > 1 \rightarrow$  don't make sense

| Call vectors obeying  $\mathbf{J} \cdot \mathbf{M} = 0$  orthogonal

→ there exists a frame where they're perpendicular

Combining Tensors Given that  $\mathbf{J}^a, \mathbf{x}_f, \tau^{ab}$  are tensors

We can show → adding tensors of the same type gives a tensor

Ex  $\mathbf{J}_c^{ab} = \tau_c^{ab} + O_c^{ab}$  is a tensor if

$\tau$  and  $O$  are tensors

Proof  $\mathbf{J}_c^{ab} = \tau_c^{ab} + O_c^{ab}$

$$= \sum_d \sum_e \sum_{c'} \tau_{c'}^{de} + \sum_d \sum_e \sum_{c'} O_{c'}^{de}$$

$$= \sum_d \sum_e \sum_{c'} (\tau_{c'}^{de} + O_{c'}^{de}) \alpha$$

$$= \sum_d \sum_e \sum_{c'} \mathbf{J}_{c'}^{de}$$

$\Rightarrow \mathbf{J}_c^{ab}$  is a tensor

Multiplying a tensor by a scalar gives a tensor

↪ Suppose  $\sigma^a_b = \alpha \tau^a_b$

$$\text{Proof } \sigma^{a'}_{b'} = \alpha \tau^{a'}_{b'} = \alpha \sum_c \sum_d \tau^c_d \tau^{a'}_c \tau^{b'}_d$$

$$= \sum_c \sum_d \alpha \tau^c_d \tau^{a'}_c \tau^{b'}_d = \sum_c \sum_d \alpha \tau^c_d \sigma^a_b$$

↪  $\sigma^a_b$  is a tensor.

Multiplying tensors gives tensors

Suppose  $\sigma^ab = \gamma^a \tau^b_c$

$$\text{Proof } \sigma^{a'b'}_c = \gamma^a \tau^{b'}_c = (\sum_d \gamma^d) \sum_e \sum_f \tau^e_f \tau^{b'}_e$$

$$= \sum_d \sum_e \sum_f \gamma^d \tau^e_f \tau^{b'}_e$$

$$= \sum_d \sum_e \sum_f \gamma^d \delta^{de} \sum_g \sigma^a_g \text{ tensor}$$

Contracting a tensor of type  $(r,s)$  gives a tensor of type  $(r-1, s-1)$

Suppose  $\tau^{ab}_{cd}$  is a  $(2,2)$  tensor

Call  $\sigma^a_b = \tau^{ac}_{cd}$  is this a one-one  $(1,1)$  tensor?

$$\text{Proof } \sigma^{a'}_{b'} = \tau^{a'd'}_{cd} = \sum_i \sum_c \sum_f \tau^{ci}_{df} \tau^{a'}_i \tau^{b'}_f$$

$$= \sum_d \sum_f \tau^{df} \tau^{a'}_d \tau^{b'}_f$$

$$= \sum_d \sum_f \tau^{df} \sigma^a_f$$

$\sigma^{a'}_{b'} = \sum_d \sum_f \sigma^a_f \sigma^d_g \sigma^g_b \Rightarrow \sigma^a_b = \tau^{ac}_{cb}$  is a  $(1,1)$  tensor.

We've used this already!  $\partial_a = \partial_a^b \partial^b \rightarrow$  gives a vector

So, as a consequence,  $\delta_c^{ab} = \tau^{abe}$  means  $\partial^c$  is a tensor

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recall Combining tensors  $\rightarrow$  adding, multiplying + contracting tensors gives new tensors

e.g.  $\tau^{ab}, \tau^c{}_{bc} =$  type (1,0) (vector)

### Dividing: Quotient theorem

Suppose  $\tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \partial^c$  transforms as a tensor +  $\partial^c$ . Then the quotient theorem says  $\tau^{a'}_{b'c'}$  is a tensor

$$\text{Proof } \tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \partial^c = \sum_d \sum_e \tau^d_{ef} \partial^f$$

$$\text{We also know } \partial^c = \sum_f \partial^f$$

$$\therefore \tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \sum_f \partial^f - \sum_d \sum_e \tau^d_{ef} \partial^f = 0 \quad (\text{true} + \partial^f)$$

$$\therefore \tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \sum_f \partial^f - \sum_d \sum_e \tau^e_{bf} \tau^d_{ef} = 0$$

$$\therefore \tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \sum_f \partial^f = \sum_d \sum_e \tau^e_{bf} \tau^d_{ef}$$

$$\therefore \tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \delta_g^c = \sum_d \sum_e \tau^e_{bf} \tau^d_{ef}$$

$$\therefore \tau^{a'}_{b'g'} = \sum_d \sum_e \sum_f \tau^e_{bf} \tau^d_{ef} \rightarrow \tau^{a'}_{b'c'} \text{ tensor}$$

Special Tensors

Symmetric if  $\tau^{ab} = \tau^{ba}$

(antisymmetric)

This is then true & world frame.

①

$$\Rightarrow \tau^{ab'} = \tau^{b'a'}$$

(will show this in 1.8.2)

② Anti-symmetric tensors

$$\gamma^{ab} = -\gamma^{ba}$$

→ also true for all tensors

③ Kronecker delta → coord. independent

$$\delta^a_b = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a=b \\ 0 & \text{if } a \neq b \end{cases} \quad (\text{type } (1,1) \text{ tensor})$$

$$\hookrightarrow \delta^a_b = \mathcal{X}_c^a \mathcal{X}^f_b \delta^c_f = \mathcal{X}_c^a \mathcal{X}^f_b = \underline{\delta^a_b}$$

$$\text{because } \mathcal{X}_c^a \mathcal{X}^c_b = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^c} \frac{\partial x^c}{\partial x^b} \xrightarrow{\text{inverses}} = \frac{\partial x^a}{\partial x^b} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } a=b \\ 0 & \text{if } a \neq b \end{cases}$$

④ For most tensors the order of indices matter

$$\text{Ex } \tau^a_b = g_{bd} \tau^{ade}$$

$$\text{but } \tau^a_b \neq g_{bd} \tau^{acd} = \tau^a_b$$

Don't write  $\tau^a_b$  unless we have order doesn't matter

## IV. GRAVITATION & CURVATURE

In GR gravity is not a force → mass + energy cause spacetime to be curved.

"Free particles" are moving with no forces (other than gravity)  
 ↳ follow geodesics

We need to understand

→ curvature (how to tell a space is curved?)

→ geodesic (what is the eqn for geodesic?)

(Chap 2: telling me how the metric)

→ motion in curved spaces: how do ratios

the metric)

behave? (parallel transport)

(Chap 3: solve for metric)

→ laws of physics e.g.  $f = \frac{dp}{dt}$  in curved

Newtonian limit

$\Rightarrow$  absolute, covariant derivatives

$$F = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

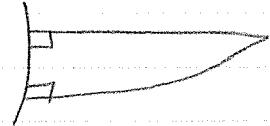
$\rightarrow$  limit back to gravity as a force?

**CURVATURE**

Imagine ants on a globe. How can they tell it's a curved space? How do the ants walk "straight"?

$\Rightarrow$  left step next = right step to walk straight (without turning).

$\Rightarrow$  start 2 ants walking parallel & straight

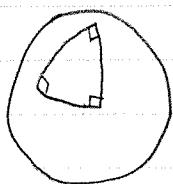


(1) Parallel lines cross  $\Rightarrow$  space is non-Euclidean.

(2) These "straight" lines are geodesics.

On a sphere, the equator, longitudinal, and great circles are all geodesics and hence "straight lines". Latitude lines are not geodesics.

Another test is make a triangle of 3 straight lines



Sum of the angles  $\approx 270^\circ$ , not  $180^\circ$ ,

$\rightarrow$  says space is curved.

$\rightarrow$  Rings can tell if a space is curved!

**Geodesic equation**

Suppose we're in space or spacetime, and we know what the metric is! How do we find a geodesic?  $\rightarrow$  Follow a "straight" line!

**Flat 3D space**

In Cartesian coords, a straight line obeys  $\frac{d^2r}{dt^2} = 0$

Suppose we use curvilinear coords.

(after Frenet)

What is the eqn of a straight line?  $\rightarrow$  arc length param.

$\int \vec{r}(s) \quad s = \text{arc length as parameter}$

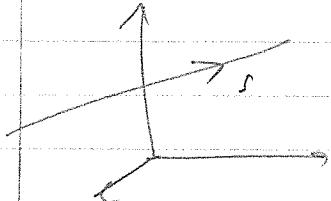
$\rightarrow \|\vec{r}(s)\| = \left( \frac{dr}{ds} \right)^2 = 1 \quad \text{find } \frac{dr}{ds}$

Let  $\vec{s} = \frac{dr}{ds}$  (frenet)

(81)

$$\vec{\gamma} = \frac{d\vec{\gamma}}{ds} \cdot \frac{d^2 s}{d\gamma^i} \frac{d\gamma^i}{ds} = \frac{d\gamma^i}{ds} \cdot \dot{\gamma}^i \hat{e}_i = \dot{\gamma}^i \hat{e}_i, \text{ so } \boxed{\dot{\gamma}^i = \frac{d\gamma^i}{ds} = \dot{\gamma}(s)}$$

components of tangent vector  $\vec{\gamma}$  in curvilinear coords



Line  $\vec{\gamma}$  tangent, its direction does not change along a straight line. Also  $|\vec{\gamma}(s)| = 1$

$\rightarrow$   $\vec{\gamma}$  has both fixed direction + magnitude along straight line

"straightness"  $\rightarrow$  derivative of tangent vector w.r.t arc length = 0

$$\frac{d\vec{\gamma}}{ds} = 0 \rightarrow \text{Tangent vector does not change (constant along a straight line)}$$

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Geodesics  $\rightarrow$  Path followed by a free particle  $\rightarrow$  straight line in flat 3D space. obeys  $\frac{d^2 \vec{x}}{dt^2} = 0$ . What abt in curvilinear coords?

Use s as parameter  $\vec{\gamma} = \frac{d\vec{\gamma}}{ds}$   $\rightarrow$  tangent vector (fixed magnitude)

Condition of straightness:  $\frac{d\vec{\gamma}}{ds} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d}{ds} (\dot{\gamma}^i \hat{e}_i) = 0}$

$$\therefore \boxed{\dot{\gamma}^i \ddot{e}_i + \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{e}_j = 0} \quad (\because \dot{\gamma}^i = \frac{d\gamma^i}{ds})$$

In Cartesian  $\{\hat{e}_i\} = \{\hat{i}, \hat{j}, \hat{k}\}$  constant  $\rightarrow \dot{e}_i = 0$  Get  $\dot{\gamma}^i = 0$  for straight line

But since  $\dot{\gamma}^i = \dot{\gamma}^i \dot{e}_i = \dot{\gamma}^i \ddot{x}^i \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d^2 x^i}{ds^2} = 0 \text{ for a straight line in Cartesian coords}}$

Note  $\frac{d^2 \vec{\gamma}^i}{ds^2} = 0 = \frac{d^2 x^i}{dt^2}$  as long as  $s \propto t$ , but NOT equivalent if  $s \neq t \rightarrow$  has acceleration.

But if coords are not Cartesian  $\rightarrow \frac{d}{ds} (\dot{\gamma}^i \hat{e}_i)$  has 2 terms!

$$\dot{\gamma}^i \ddot{e}_i + \dot{\gamma}^j \ddot{e}_j = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left[ \frac{d\gamma^i}{ds} \ddot{e}_i + \dot{\gamma}^i \frac{d\ddot{e}_i}{ds} = 0 \right]$$

where  $\frac{d\ddot{e}_i}{ds} = \frac{d\ddot{e}_i}{du^i} \frac{du^i}{ds} \neq 0$  in general

$$\text{Use } \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} = \partial_j \Rightarrow \left[ \frac{\partial \ddot{e}_i}{\partial s} = (\partial_j \ddot{e}_i) u^j \right]$$

The derivation

$\rightarrow \partial_j \ddot{e}_i$  are vectors. We can express them in terms of basis set

Call  $\boxed{\partial_j \ddot{e}_i = \Gamma_{ij}^k \ddot{e}_k}$   $\rightarrow$   $k^{\text{th}}$  component of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  derivative of  $\ddot{e}_i$ . called "affine connection" or "christoffel symbol"

Note  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  is not a tensor  $\rightarrow$  they're a connection

With this  $\ddot{e}_i = (\partial_j \ddot{e}_i) u^j = \Gamma_{ij}^k \ddot{e}_k u^j$

$h \rightarrow i$

$i \rightarrow j$

$j \rightarrow k$

$$\frac{d\ddot{e}}{ds} = \dot{\gamma}^i \ddot{e}_i + \dot{\gamma}^j \Gamma_{ij}^k \ddot{e}_k u^j = 0$$

$$= \dot{\gamma}^i \ddot{e}_i + \dot{\gamma}^j \Gamma_{jk}^i \ddot{e}_i u^k = 0$$

$$= (\dot{\gamma}^i + \Gamma_{jk}^i \dot{\gamma}^j u^k) \ddot{e}_i = 0$$

or  $\dot{\gamma}^i + \Gamma_{jk}^i \dot{\gamma}^j u^k = 0$  But  $\dot{\gamma}^i = \dot{u}^i = \frac{du^i}{ds}$

$$\Rightarrow \left[ \frac{d^2 u^i}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{du^j}{ds} \frac{du^k}{ds} = 0 \right]$$

$$\dot{\gamma}^i = \frac{d^2 \ddot{e}}{ds^2}$$

$\rightarrow$  gives the eq. of a straight line in flat 3D space.

Note  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$  has  $3 \times 3 \times 3 = 27$  coefficients.  $\rightarrow$  Want simpler relation

Note  $\partial_j \ddot{e}_i = \Gamma_{ij}^k \ddot{e}_k \Rightarrow$  diff with  $e^k$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad (\partial_j \tilde{e}_i) \tilde{e}^l = \Gamma_{ij}^k \tilde{e}_k \cdot \tilde{e}^l = \Gamma_{ij}^k g_{kl}$$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{\tilde{e}^l (\partial_j \tilde{e}_i) = \Gamma_{ij}^l}$$

$$\text{But, note } \partial_j \tilde{e}_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} \frac{\partial \tilde{e}_i}{\partial u^k} = \frac{\partial}{\partial u^j} \frac{\partial \tilde{e}^m}{\partial u^k} = \partial_j \tilde{e}^m$$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{\Gamma_{ij}^l = \Gamma_{ji}^l} \quad (\text{symmetric}) \rightarrow 18 \text{ independent cases}$$

Next, want to find relation for connection in terms of the metric.

$$\underline{\text{Consider}} \quad \partial_k g_{ij} = \partial_k (\tilde{e}_i \cdot \tilde{e}_j) = \tilde{e}_j \partial_k \tilde{e}_i + \tilde{e}_i \partial_k \tilde{e}_j$$

$$= \tilde{e}_j \Gamma_{ik}^m \tilde{e}_m + \tilde{e}_i \Gamma_{kj}^m \tilde{e}_m$$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{\partial_k g_{ij} = \Gamma_{ik}^m g_{jm} + \Gamma_{jk}^m g_{im}}$$

Use some tricks to get  $\Gamma_{ik}^j$ ...

$$\underline{\text{Let }} k \rightarrow i, i \rightarrow j, j \rightarrow k \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \partial_i g_{jk} = \Gamma_{ji}^m g_{mk} + \Gamma_{ki}^m g_{jm} \\ \partial_j g_{ik} = \Gamma_{kj}^m g_{im} + \Gamma_{ij}^m g_{km} \end{cases}$$

So Add first two eqns, subtract 3rd

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\partial_k g_{ij} + \partial_i g_{jk} - \partial_j g_{ik} = 2 \Gamma_{ik}^m g_{jm}}$$

Note  $g_{jm} = g_{mj}$   
(symmetric)

Now multiply by  $g^{jl}$   $\rightarrow g_{jm} g^{jl} = \delta_m^l$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{\Gamma_{ik}^l = \frac{1}{2} g^{jl} (\partial_k g_{ij} + \partial_i g_{jk} - \partial_j g_{ik})} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{let } l \rightarrow k \\ \quad \quad \quad k \rightarrow i \\ \quad \quad \quad i \rightarrow j \\ \quad \quad \quad j \rightarrow l \end{array}$$

$$\underline{\text{So}} \quad \boxed{\Gamma_{ij}^k = \frac{1}{2} g^{kl} (\partial_i g_{je} + \partial_j g_{il} - \partial_e g_{ij})}$$

Note in Cartesian coords,  $g_{ij} = \delta'_{ij} \rightarrow \partial_k g_{ij} = 0 \therefore \Gamma_{ij}^k = 0$

Note  $\Gamma_{ij}^k \neq 0$  does not mean space is curved!

→ In fact, set  $\Gamma_{ij}^k \neq 0$  in curvilinear coords in flat space whenever  $\tilde{x}_i$  are not constant.

How do we calculate  $\Gamma_{ij}^k$ ?  $\Rightarrow$  By finite force... (won't use book's shortcut)

$$\text{e.g. } \Gamma_{23}' = \Gamma_{32}'$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} g^{11} (\partial_2 g_{31} + \partial_3 g_{21} - \partial_1 g_{23})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} g^{12} (\partial_2 g_{32} + \partial_3 g_{22} - \partial_2 g_{23})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} g^{13} (\partial_2 g_{33} + \partial_3 g_{23} - \partial_3 g_{23})$$

Then repeat for remaining 25 cases...

$$\boxed{\text{Now } \frac{d^2 u^i}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{du^j}{ds} \frac{du^k}{ds} = 0} \rightarrow 3 \text{ eqns}$$

↳ solution gives eqn of straightline (geodesics) curve  $u^i$  in flat space  
But the same eqn carry into curved space!

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Affine parameters We used arc length as a parameter in finding geodesic

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2 u^i}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{du^j}{ds} \frac{du^k}{ds} = 0} \text{. What if we use a different parameter } t = f(s) \text{?}$$

$$\rightarrow \text{modified eqn } \boxed{\frac{d^2 u^i}{dt^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{du^j}{dt} \frac{du^k}{dt} = -\left(\frac{d^2 t}{ds^2}\right) \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^{-2} \frac{du^i}{dt}}$$

↳ this is different from the original unless  
the second derivative  $\frac{d^2 t}{ds^2} = 0$ , i.e.,

$$t = As + B \quad (A, B \text{ constant}, A \neq 0)$$

- A parameter of this form is called an affine parameter,  
 → key t linearly related to s.

$$\frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{1}{A} = \dot{A}^{-1} \neq 0 \text{ says } s \propto t \Rightarrow \text{no acceleration}$$

So we'll use affine parameters for geodesics in which case the eqn is

flat space

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d^2 u^i}{dt^2} + \Gamma_{jk}^i \frac{du^j}{dt} \frac{du^k}{dt} = -\left(\frac{d^2 t}{ds^2}\right) \left(\frac{dt}{ds}\right)^{-2} \frac{du^i}{dt} = 0}$$

### Geodesics in Curved Spaces

We've seen correspondence between flat 3D space in curvilinear coords & curved N-dim manifolds.

$$u^i = u^i_j x^j . \quad u^j \rightarrow x^a . \quad ds^2 = g_{ij} du^i du^j$$

$$g^{ab} = \sum_b g^{ab} \quad g_{ij} \rightarrow g_{ab} \quad \hookrightarrow g_{ab} du^a du^b$$

Same is true  
for geodesic eqn

→ Similar form

geodesic eqn →  
in curved  
space

$$\boxed{\frac{d^2 x^a}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \frac{dx^b}{ds} \frac{dx^c}{ds} = 0}$$

Note  $s$  is an affine param, i.e.,  $s \sim t$

where the connection:

$$\boxed{\Gamma_{bc}^a = \frac{1}{2} g^{ad} \left( \partial_b g_{cd} + \partial_c g_{bd} - \partial_d g_{bc} \right)}$$

where

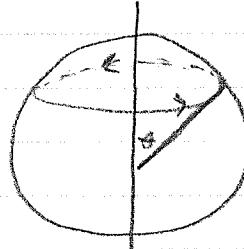
$$\boxed{\Gamma_{bc}^a = \Gamma_{cb}^a = \tilde{e}^a (\partial_c \tilde{e}_b) - \tilde{e}^a (\partial_b \tilde{e}_c)}$$

Goldstine's this holds in GR as a result of the EP

What will do is that that gives the correct geodesic and 2-sphere

Ex Determine if lines of constant latitude of a 2-sphere of radius  $a$  are geodesics

know only Equator is!



Do these curves satisfy

$$\frac{du^A}{d\phi} + \Gamma_{BC}^A \frac{du^B du^C}{d\phi d\phi} = 0? \quad (\text{assume } g \text{ is an affine form})$$

$$\text{where } \Gamma_{BC}^A = \frac{1}{2} g^{AD} (\partial_B g_{CD} + \partial_C g_{BD} - \partial_D g_{BC})$$

$$\text{Here } u^A = (u^1, u^2) \cdot \text{ Use } u^A = (\theta, \phi) \quad A, B = 1, 2 \quad \text{radius} = a$$

The metric tensor of 2-sphere of radius  $a$  is

$$[g_{AB}] = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 \sin^2 \theta \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{shaded in 1.6.2})$$

$$\text{So } [g^{AB}] = \begin{pmatrix} a^{-2} & 0 \\ 0 & a^{-2} \sin^{-2} \theta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{Correction } \Gamma_{BC}^A = \frac{1}{2} g^{AD} (\partial_B g_{CD} + \partial_C g_{BD} - \partial_D g_{BC})$$

There are 8 of these  $\rightarrow$  But can more symmetry see

Will show (2.1.5) that know  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Gamma_{12}^1 = -\sin \theta \cos \theta \\ \Gamma_{22}^1 = \Gamma_{11}^2 = \cot \theta \end{array} \right.$

$$\text{Look at } \Gamma_{12}^1 = \Gamma_{21}^1 \rightarrow \begin{cases} A=1 \\ B=1 \\ C=2 \end{cases} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Gamma_{12}^2 = \Gamma_{21}^2 = \cot \theta \\ \Gamma_{12}^1 = \Gamma_{21}^1 = \Gamma_{11}^2 = \Gamma_{22}^1 = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

$$\rightarrow \Gamma_{12}^1 = \frac{1}{2} g^{1D} (\partial_1 g_{2D} + \partial_2 g_{1D} - \partial_D g_{12})$$

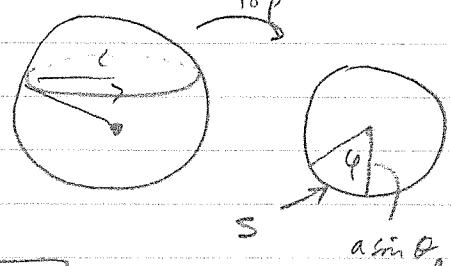
$$= \frac{1}{2} g^{11} (\partial_1 g_{21} + \partial_2 g_{11} - \partial_1 g_{12}) + \frac{1}{2} g^{12} (\partial_1 g_{22} + \partial_2 g_{12} - \partial_2 g_{11})$$

Note  $[g_{AB}]$  is diagonal

$$\rightarrow \Gamma_{12}^1 = \frac{1}{2} g^{11} (\partial_2 g_{11}) = \frac{1}{2} g^{11} \partial_2 g_{11} = \frac{1}{2} g^{11} \partial_2 (\partial_1^2) = 0$$

Next

Find affine param of latitude line



Conds  $u^A = (u^1, u^2) = (\theta, \phi)$ , with  $\theta = \theta_0$

need param in term of  $s$  with  $s = \phi (a \sin \theta_0)$

$$\text{or } \phi = s(a \sin \theta_0)^{-1} = As \text{ so } \phi \text{ is an affine param!}$$

Plane  $u^A(s) = (\theta_0, s(a \sin \theta_0)^{-1})$  use  $s$  as param

$$\text{Need } \frac{du^A}{ds} = (0, (a \sin \theta_0)^{-1}) \text{ and } \frac{d^2 u^A}{ds^2} = (0, 0)$$

Now, check with geodetic eqn

2 eqns

$$\rightarrow \frac{d^2 u^A}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{BC}^A \frac{du^B}{ds} \frac{du^C}{ds} \alpha$$

$A=1$

$$\bullet \frac{d^2 u^1}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{BC}^1 \frac{du^B}{ds} \frac{du^C}{ds} = 0 + (-\sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0) \frac{du^2}{ds} \frac{du^1}{ds} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

$$\text{Use } \Gamma_{22}^1 = -\sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0, \Gamma_{12}^2 = \cot \theta_0 \therefore (-\sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0) (\cot \theta_0)^{-2} \stackrel{?}{=} 0$$

(only true if  $\theta_0 = \frac{\pi}{2}$ )

$\rightarrow$  Only Equator works!

$A=2$

$$\bullet \frac{d^2 u^2}{ds^2} + \Gamma_{BC}^2 \frac{du^B}{ds} \frac{du^C}{ds} = 0 + \Gamma_{12}^2 \frac{du^1}{ds} \frac{du^2}{ds} + \Gamma_{21}^2 \frac{du^2}{ds} \frac{du^1}{ds}$$

$$= \cot \theta [0 + 0] = 0 \text{ so this is satisfied}$$

only latitude line that is also a geodesic is the Equator

$\rightarrow$  for sphere  $\rightarrow$  geodesics = circles with center

### Parallel Transport

Our intuition for geodesics was that the tangent vector  $\tilde{\gamma} = \dot{\gamma}^i \tilde{e}_i = \dot{\gamma}^j \tilde{e}_j = \dot{\gamma}^i \tilde{e}_i$  does not change as we move along the curve.

$$\frac{d\tilde{\gamma}}{ds} = 0 \quad (\text{condition of straightness})$$

This leads to Geodesic eqn

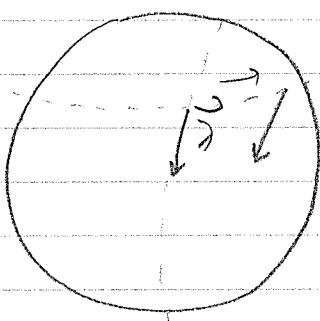
$$\ddot{\gamma}^i + \Gamma_{jk}^i \dot{\gamma}^j \dot{\gamma}^k = 0$$

We can generalize this. Consider  $\tilde{\gamma} - \tilde{\gamma}'$ ; that's an arbitrary vector. Want to transport  $\tilde{\gamma}$  along a curve parametrized by  $t$  without altering it,  $\tilde{\gamma}(t)$ .  $\tilde{\gamma} = \tilde{\gamma}'$ .

Condition:  $\frac{d\tilde{\gamma}}{dt} = 0$  ( $t$  = affine param) called parallel transport

In flat space, the vector does not change its direction.

But in curved space, a vector that is parallel transported can change direction.



→ Effect of curvature: Null along the equator  
the direction does not change  
→ feels force w.r.t. geodesic!

We can derive the math of parallel transport

$$\frac{d\tilde{\gamma}}{dt} = 0 \quad \text{with } \tilde{\gamma} = \tilde{\gamma}^i \tilde{e}_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\tilde{\gamma}}^i \tilde{e}_i + \tilde{\gamma}^i \dot{\tilde{e}}_i = 0 \quad \text{. We also know } \dot{\tilde{e}}_i = (\partial_j \tilde{e}_i) \dot{\gamma}^j = \Gamma_{ij}^k \dot{\gamma}^j \tilde{e}_k$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{\tilde{\gamma}}^i \tilde{e}_i + \tilde{\gamma}^i \Gamma_{jk}^k \dot{\gamma}^j \tilde{e}_k = 0 \quad \text{let } k \rightarrow i$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\dot{\tilde{\gamma}}^i + \Gamma_{kj}^i \dot{\gamma}^j \tilde{e}_k = 0}$$

(This says how the component  $\tilde{\gamma}^i$  changes when the vector is parallel transported along the curve parametrized by  $t$ .)

Ex If  $\tilde{u}^i = u^i$  (tangent vector to curve)

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\tilde{u}^i + \Gamma_{ik}^j u^j u^k = 0} \rightarrow \text{geodesic}$$

This says that to parallel transport tangent vectors, the curve must be a geodesic (so that it remains a tangent vector)

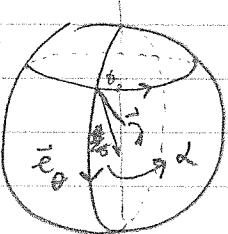
To go to an  $N$ -dim curve manifold, we can just change notation

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\tilde{u}^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a \tilde{x}^b \tilde{x}^c = 0} \quad (\text{most general case}) \quad (t \equiv A\tilde{x} + B - \text{ir})$$

$$\hookrightarrow \tilde{u}^a = \frac{d\tilde{x}^a}{dt} \quad (\text{affine parameter})$$

Example

Consider unit vector  $\tilde{u}$  on surface of sphere of radius  $a$  which makes an angle  $\alpha$  w.r.t. a longitude.



Show that parallel transport along line of constant latitude, the direction of  $\tilde{u}$  changes by an angle  $\alpha$  where  $\alpha = 2\pi w$ , where  $w = \cos \theta_0 = \theta_0$  = polar angle of the latitude.

First, parametrize the curve (2D)

$$u^t = (u^1, u^2) = (\theta, \varphi)$$

Here  $\theta = \theta_0$  is fixed  $\rightarrow u^t = (\theta_0, \varphi)$ . Can let  $\varphi$  run from  $0 \rightarrow 2\pi$   
 $\rightarrow \varphi = t$

$\rightarrow u^t(t) = (\theta_0, t)$ . Note: this is a different parametrization before but before,  $u^t(s) = (\theta_0, (\sin \theta_0)^{-1}s)$   
 $= (\theta_0, p)$

Here,  $t = \varphi = \underbrace{(\sin \theta_0)^{-1}s}_A$ . And so  $t$  is affine (as  $t$  is constant)

Let  $\tilde{u}(0)$  be initial vector ( $t=0$ ) and  $\tilde{u}(2\pi)$  be final vector ( $t=2\pi$ )  $\Rightarrow$  angle between these 2 vectors!

Next, want to find initial unit vector  $\vec{r}(0)$  making an angle  $\alpha$  w.r.t to latitude.

Claim

$$\vec{r}^A(0) = (\vec{r}'(0), \vec{r}^B(0))$$

$$= (\vec{a}' \cos \alpha, (\vec{a} \sin \theta_0)^{-1} \sin \alpha)$$

is that initial vector

Verify it's correct

is this a unit vector?  $\vec{r}^A(0) \cdot \vec{r}^B(0) \stackrel{?}{=} 1$

$$\text{Here } [\vec{r}_{AB}] = \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (\vec{a} \sin \theta)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[\vec{r}^A(0) \vec{r}_{AB} \vec{r}^B(0)]$$

$$= (\vec{a}' \cos \alpha, (\vec{a} \sin \theta_0)^{-1} \sin \alpha) \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & (\vec{a} \sin \theta)^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a}' \cos \alpha \\ (\vec{a} \sin \theta_0)^{-1} \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \cos^2 \alpha + \sin^2 \alpha = 1 \rightarrow \underline{\text{unit vector}}$$

Next, does it make angle  $\alpha$  w.r.t longitude?

$$\text{Longitude} = (1) \vec{e}_x + (0) \vec{e}_y$$

Call

$$\vec{u}_{\text{long}}^A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{vector that points along longitude})$$

$$\text{check } [\vec{u}_{\text{long}}^A \vec{r}^A(0)] = [\vec{u}_{\text{long}}^A \vec{r}_{AB} \vec{r}^B(0)] = [a^2] \quad (\text{not unit vector})$$

$$\text{Next, find } \cos(\alpha) = \frac{\vec{r}_{AB} \cdot \vec{u}_{\text{long}}^A}{|\vec{r}_{AB}| |\vec{u}_{\text{long}}^A|} = \frac{\vec{r}_{AB} \cdot \vec{r}^B(0)}{(\alpha)(1)} = \frac{a^2(1) \vec{a}' \cos \alpha}{a \cdot 1} = \boxed{\cos \alpha}$$

$\therefore \vec{r}(0)$  is at angle  $\alpha$  w.r.t a longitude!

Next, parallel tangent  $\vec{t}$  around the latitude line

$\Rightarrow$  want new components. Need to solve parallel tangent eqn:

Need to solve  $\vec{r}' + \nabla_{BC}^A \vec{r}^B \vec{u}^C = 0$  (2 eqns)

Initial values  $\vec{r}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} a' \cos \theta_0 \\ (a \sin \theta_0)' \sin \theta_0 \end{pmatrix}$

Can use  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} r_1' = -\sin \theta_0 \cos \theta_0 \\ r_2' = r_3 = \sin \theta_0 \end{array} \right\}$  and  $\vec{u}^A(0) = (\theta_0, t)$

Since  $\vec{u}^A(t) = (\theta_0, t) \rightarrow \vec{u}^C = (0, 1)$

$A=1$   $\vec{r}' + \nabla_{r_2}^A \vec{r}^2 \vec{u}^2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow ?$

$A=2$   $\vec{r}^2 + \nabla_{r_1}^A \vec{r}^1 \vec{u}^1 = 0 \Leftrightarrow ?$   
+  $\nabla_{r_1}^2 \vec{u}^2$

Will verify that the solutions satisfying IVP is: (Exercise 2.2.1)

$$\vec{r}(t) = (\vec{r}(0), \vec{r}'(0)) = (a' \cos(\alpha - wt), (a \sin \theta_0)' \sin(\alpha - wt))$$

with  $w = \cos \theta_0 \quad \forall t$

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Next go all the way around, to  $t = 2\pi$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r}^A(2\pi) = (a' \cos(\alpha - 2\pi w), (a \sin \theta_0)' \sin(\alpha - 2\pi w))$$

Is this still a unit vector?

$$\|\vec{r}^A(2\pi)\|^2 = g_{AB} \vec{r}^A(2\pi) \cdot \vec{r}^B(2\pi) = a'^2 a^{-2} \cos^2(\alpha - 2\pi w) + (a \sin \theta_0)'^2 (a \sin \theta_0)^{-2} \sin^2(\alpha - 2\pi w) = 1 \Rightarrow \text{still unit normal.}$$

Now, what's the angle  $\chi$  between  $\vec{r}(0) \text{ and } \vec{r}^A(2\pi)$

$$\cos \chi = \frac{\vec{r}(0) \cdot \vec{r}^A(2\pi)}{\|\vec{r}(0)\| \|\vec{r}^A(2\pi)\|} = g_{AB} \vec{r}(0) \cdot \vec{r}^B(2\pi) = a'^2 (a' \cos \theta_0) (a' \cos(\alpha - wt)) + (a \sin \theta_0)'^2 (a \sin \theta_0)^{-2} \sin \theta_0 \sin(\alpha - wt)$$

$$= \cos \theta_0 \cos(\alpha - wt) + \sin \theta_0 \sin(\alpha - wt) = \cos(\alpha - \alpha + wt)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\chi = \omega t - 2\pi w}$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{x = 2\pi w = 2\pi \cos \theta}$$

e.g. if  $\theta_1 = \theta_2$  (equator)  $\rightarrow x = 0$  (along geodesic, direction does not change)

### Curved Spacetime

→ the same equations hold. e.g., the geodesic eqn is

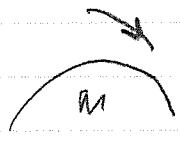
$$\boxed{\frac{d^2 x^\mu}{dt^2} + \Gamma^\mu_{\nu\sigma} \frac{dx^\nu}{dt} \frac{dx^\sigma}{dt} = 0}$$

with

$$\boxed{\Gamma^\mu_{\nu\sigma} = \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\rho} (\partial_\nu g_{\rho\sigma} + \partial_\sigma g_{\rho\nu} - \partial_\rho g_{\nu\sigma})}$$

→ gives the trajectory of free particle in curved spacetime  $x^\mu(\tau)$

→ Gives the eqn for particle in gravitational field



$x^\mu(\tau)$  For a massive particle, we can use proper time as parameter because

$$ds^2 = c^2 d\tau^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

Likewise, any vector  $\vec{v}^\mu$  can be parallel transported along a curve  $X^\mu(\tau)$  where the components obey 4D parallel transport eqn:

$$\boxed{\vec{v}^\mu + \Gamma^\mu_{\nu\sigma} \vec{v}^\nu \dot{x}^\sigma = 0}$$

→ need this for testable physics eqn in spacetime.

How to formulate the laws of physics in curved spacetime?

### Covariance

Recall that one of the postulates of SR is that the laws of physics are the same in all inertial frames  
⇒ Equations of physics are invariant under LT's.

e.g.  $f^\mu = \frac{dp^\mu}{dt}$  → in SR after LT multiply a term with  $\Lambda^\mu_\nu$

$$\Rightarrow \Lambda^\mu_\nu f^\nu = \Lambda^\mu_\nu \frac{dp^\nu}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (\Lambda^\mu_\nu p^\nu) \text{ get } \boxed{f^\mu = \frac{dp^\mu}{dt}} \text{ (same eqn)}$$

Let  $\rightarrow \rho \rightarrow$  get back  $y_\mu = f^\mu = \frac{dp^\mu}{dt}$ . At the same time,

The metric remains  $g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}'$ . Everything is the same  
 $\Rightarrow$  INvariant eqns.

In GR

$\hookrightarrow$  the eqns should maintain the same form under general coord transformations  $\Rightarrow$  said to be covariant (not as strict as in SR)

But in GR, eqns can include  $g_{\mu\nu}$  (metric) and  $\Gamma^{\nu}_{\mu\nu}$  (connection)  
 $\rightarrow$  these are different in different circumstances

$\Rightarrow$  Eqns need to be covariant but not invariant.

Note Invariance implies covariance.

\* In trying to figure out how eqns hold in curved space time, Einstein introduced a principle--

Principle of Covariance: Eqn is true in GR iff all coord system if

- (1) The eqn is true in SR
- (2) The eqn is a tensor eqn that preserves its form under general coord. transf (covariant)

Recall Tensors of the same type all transform the same way

e.g. if  $A^\mu = B^\mu$  for tensors  $A^\mu, B^\mu$ , then

$$\sum_{\mu} A^{\mu} = A^{\nu} = \sum_{\mu} B^{\mu} = B^{\nu} \text{ is covariant form}$$

Note  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} (1) \text{ stems from eqn. principle. there is always a locally valid} \\ \text{coord where the laws of SR hold locally.} \end{array} \right\}$

As long as the SR laws involve tensors, the same eqns will hold in the presence of gravity.

→ This gives prescription for finding the laws of physics in GR.

E.g. We know  $f^{\mu} = \frac{dp^{\mu}}{dt}$  holds in SR. Does this eqn also hold in curved spacetime?

⇒ If both sides are tensors then yes.

But  $\frac{dp^{\mu}}{dt}$  is not a tensor under general coord transformation

why? In a diff. frame  $\frac{dp^{\mu}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} (\Sigma_{\nu}^{\mu} p^{\nu})$   
 $= \Sigma_{\nu}^{\mu'} \frac{dp^{\nu}}{dt} + \frac{d\Sigma_{\nu}^{\mu}}{dt} p^{\nu}$

Note  $\frac{d\Sigma_{\nu}^{\mu}}{dt} \neq 0$  for general coord. transformation.

⇒  $\frac{dA^{\mu}}{dt}$  is not a tensor in general coord. transf. (GCT)

So  $f^{\mu} = \frac{dp^{\mu}}{dt}$  is not covariant. Can't find eqn in new frame

→ The problem is with derivative!  $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ , or  $\partial_t = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}}$

→ Derivatives of tensors are Not tensors in GCT

⇒ Need to fix the def. of derivatives so that derivatives of tensors are tensors...

Consider  $\frac{D^a}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^a(t+\Delta t) - \partial^a(t)}{\Delta t}$

$\begin{matrix} \partial^a(t+\Delta t) \\ \uparrow \\ p^a(t) \end{matrix}$        $\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ x^{\mu}(t) \end{matrix}$

But when we transform these, we use

$\Sigma_a^{\mu'}(t)$  on  $\partial^a(t)$  and  $\Sigma_a^{\mu'}(t+\Delta t)$  on  $\partial^a(t+\Delta t)$   
at Q at P

But Space is different at  $P, Q$   $\Rightarrow$  don't get the same factor of  $\bar{X}^b_a$  at just one point

$\rightarrow$  Would be better to subtract

$\partial^a(t+\delta t)$  and  $\partial^a(t)$  at the same point

$\rightarrow$  To do that, we need to parallel transport  $\partial^a(t+\delta t)$  from  $Q$  to  $P$   $\rightarrow$  on

$\hookrightarrow$  Need to redefine differentiation for curved space.

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Derivatives of tensors are NOT tensors in general

E.g.  $\partial_\mu \rightarrow$  tensor but  $\partial_\lambda \partial_\mu$  is not a tensor

$$\partial_\lambda \partial_\mu = \partial_\lambda \bar{X}_\mu^\nu \bar{X}_\nu^\rho \partial_\rho g_{\alpha\beta} + \bar{X}_\lambda^\sigma \bar{X}_\mu^\nu \bar{X}_\nu^\rho \partial_\sigma g_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow$$

get contributions

For this reason  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} g^{AB} (\partial_A \partial_B + \partial_A g_{B\lambda} - \partial_B g_{A\lambda})$  is also not a tensor

But this relation is covariant. Go to a primed frame

$\rightarrow$  set

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\mu'} = \frac{1}{2} \partial^{\mu'} (\partial_\mu g_{\nu\nu} + \partial_\nu g_{\mu\nu} - \partial_\mu g_{\nu\nu})$$

All

The extra terms cancel  $\Rightarrow$  this relation is in fact covariant

But more generally, we have a problem with derivatives

Absolute  $\Rightarrow$  Covariant derivatives

- Consider a manifold: cotangent vector  $\partial^a$  parameterized by  $t$ , then

$$\frac{d\partial^a}{dt} = \lim_{\delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\partial^a(t+\delta t) - \partial^a(t)}{\delta t}$$



- $\partial^a(t) @ P$
  - $\partial^a(t+\delta t) @ Q$
- $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{problem arises because} \\ \bar{X}^a_b|_P \neq \bar{X}^a_b|_Q \end{array} \right.$

$$\left| \bar{X}^a_b|_P \neq \bar{X}^a_b|_Q \right|$$

As  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ , we'll get extra terms of derivatives of  $X^a$ . To fix this, we change the def. of derivative  $\Rightarrow$  Absolute derivative.

$\downarrow @\alpha$        $\downarrow @\alpha$

$$\boxed{\text{Define } \frac{D\gamma^a}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\gamma^a(t + \Delta t) - \bar{\gamma}^a}{\Delta t}}$$

where

$$\bar{\gamma}^a = \gamma^a \text{ at } P, \text{ parallel transported to } Q$$

We want an expression for this... For the 1<sup>st</sup> term, we can Taylor expand.

$$\boxed{\gamma^a(t + \Delta t) \approx \gamma^a(t) + \frac{d\gamma^a}{dt} \Delta t = \gamma^a(t) + \frac{d\gamma^a}{dt} \Delta t \quad (P=t)}$$

Linear term parallel transport eqn:

$$\boxed{\dot{\gamma}^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \dot{x}^c = 0}$$

For small finite intervals,  $\dot{\gamma}^a \approx \frac{\Delta \gamma^a}{\Delta t}$  and  $\dot{x}^c \approx \frac{\Delta x^c}{\Delta t}$

$$\boxed{\text{So } \Delta \gamma^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \Delta x^c = 0 \quad (\text{parallel transp.})}$$

$$\text{where } \Delta \gamma^a = \bar{\gamma}^a(0) - \gamma^a(P)$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\bar{\gamma}^a(0) = D\gamma^a + \gamma^a(P)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\bar{\gamma}^a(0) \approx \gamma^a(P) - \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \Delta x^c}$$

$$\text{phys int derivative} \rightarrow \frac{D\gamma^a}{dt} : \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{(d\gamma^a/dt)\Delta t + \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \Delta x^c}{\Delta t}$$

$$\frac{D\gamma^a}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \left( \frac{d\gamma^a}{dt} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \frac{\Delta x^c}{\Delta t} \right)$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\frac{D\gamma^a}{dt} = \frac{d\gamma^a}{dt} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \dot{x}^c}$$

→ Absolute derivative for a contravariant vector  
(usual) (connection)

$\Rightarrow$  Transforms as a tensor by construction:

$$\boxed{\frac{D\gamma^a}{dt} = X_b^a \frac{D\gamma^b}{dt}}$$

Note that the RHS is the same as in the parallel transport eq.

$\frac{d\gamma^a}{dt} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \gamma^b \dot{x}^c = 0 \Rightarrow$  If we parallel transport a vector  $\gamma^a$  its components are constant under absolute differentiation.

$$\boxed{\frac{D\gamma^a}{dt} = 0 \text{ when parallel transported}}$$

What about taking absolute derivatives of scalar, covariant vector, or tensor?

For scalars  $\phi \rightarrow \phi$  as  $x^a \rightarrow x^{a'}$  → no factor of  $\dot{x}^{a'}$  in derivative

$$\boxed{\frac{D\phi}{dt} = \frac{d\phi}{dt}} \rightarrow \text{absolute deriv of scalar}$$

Under a GLT  $\Rightarrow \frac{D\phi}{dt} \rightarrow \frac{d\phi}{dt}$

For covariant vectors

Consider  $\lambda^a \mu_a$  is a scalar.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \frac{D\lambda^a \mu_a}{dt} &= \frac{d}{dt} (\lambda^a \mu_a) = \frac{d\lambda^a}{dt} \mu_a + \lambda^a \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{D\lambda^a}{dt} \mu_a + \lambda^a \frac{D\mu_a}{dt} &= \frac{d\lambda^a}{dt} \mu_a + \lambda^a \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} \\ \Rightarrow \left( \frac{d\lambda^a}{dt} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b \dot{x}^c \right) \mu_a + \lambda^a \left[ \frac{D\mu_a}{dt} \right] &= \frac{d\lambda^a}{dt} \mu_a + \lambda^a \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\left( \frac{D\mu_a}{dt} \right) = \frac{1}{\lambda^a} \left[ \lambda^a \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} - \mu_a \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b \dot{x}^c \right]} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{let } b=a \\ a \rightarrow d \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\frac{D\mu_a}{dt} = \frac{1}{\lambda^a} \left[ \lambda^a \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} - \mu_d \Gamma_{ac}^d \lambda^c \dot{x}^c \right]}$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\frac{D\mu_a}{dt} = \frac{d\mu_a}{dt} - \Gamma_{ac}^d \mu_d \dot{x}^c} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Absolute deriv. of covariant} \\ \text{vector. Note the (-) sign} \\ \text{to connection.} \end{matrix}$$

→ contravariant (+Γ) → covariant (-Γ)

For a tensor  $\boxed{\tau^{ab}_c = \partial^a \partial^b \mu_c}$  ← multiplying vectors gives tensors

We can show that  $\tau^{ab}_c$  is a tensor under coordinate transformation (+, -)

$$\frac{D\tau^{ab}_c}{dt} = \frac{d\tau^{ab}_c}{dt} + \Gamma^e_{de} \tau^{db}_c \dot{x}^e + \Gamma^b_{de} \tau^{ad}_c \dot{x}^e - \Gamma^d_{ce} \tau^{ab}_d \dot{x}^e$$

This is a tensor, so under GCT

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\frac{D\tau^{ab}_c}{dt} = \sum_d \sum_e \sum_f \frac{D\tau^{de}_f}{dt} + }$$

Note that in Cartesian coordinates,  $\Gamma^a_{bc} = 0$  for SR (flat)

$$\hookrightarrow \boxed{\frac{D\tau^{ab}_c}{dt} = \frac{d\tau^{ab}_c}{dt}} \text{ in SR}$$

The absolute derivative is w.r.t a parameter (like t, θ, s...).  
We also need to take derivatives w.r.t coordinates.

$\partial_a = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^a}$  → need to introduce a derivative that transforms correctly.  
 $\rightarrow$  Covariant derivative → w.r.t word  $X^a$ .

Since  $X^a = X^a(t)$  along a curve → can think of chain rule where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{D\partial^a}{dt} &= \frac{D\partial^a}{dx^c} \frac{dx^c}{dt} \quad (\text{new type of derivative}) \\ &= \frac{D\partial^a}{dx^c} \dot{x}^c \end{aligned} \quad \left. \right\}$$

But since  $\frac{D\partial^a}{dt} = \frac{D\partial^a}{dt} + \Gamma^a_{bc} \partial^b \dot{x}^c$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{D\partial^a}{dx^c} \dot{x}^c = \frac{D\partial^a}{dt} + \Gamma^a_{bc} \partial^b \dot{x}^c \quad \left. \right\}$$

chain rule  $\frac{D\partial^a}{dt} = \frac{\partial^a}{\partial x^c} \frac{dx^c}{dt} = \frac{\partial^a}{\partial x^c} \dot{x}^c$

$$\text{So } \frac{D\lambda^a}{dx^c} \dot{x}^c = \frac{\partial \lambda^a}{\partial x^c} \dot{x}^c + \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b \dot{x}^c$$

Please note

$$\boxed{\frac{D\lambda^a}{dx^c} = \frac{\partial \lambda^a}{\partial x^c} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b}$$

But we don't use this notation

↑  
usual      ↑ correction

Define

$$\boxed{\lambda_{;c}^a = \frac{\partial \lambda^a}{\partial x^c} + \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b}$$

→ covariant derivative of  
contravariant vector

$$\text{or } \boxed{\lambda_{;c}^a = \partial_c \lambda^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b}$$

semi-colon

↑ comma

We also write

$$\boxed{\lambda_{;c}^a - \frac{\partial \lambda^a}{\partial x^c} = \partial_c \lambda^a}$$

$$\text{So } \boxed{\lambda_{;c}^a = \lambda_{,c}^a + \Gamma_{bc}^a \lambda^b}$$

Why do this? Because  $\lambda^a$  is a type (1,0) tensor but  $\lambda_{;c}^a$  is a type (1,1) tensor

But other notations  $\frac{D\lambda^a}{dx^c}, \nabla_c \lambda^a = D_c \lambda^a$

