

## **19.1 in MTW**

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# I. DERIVATION OF METRIC FAR OUTSIDE A WEAKLY GRAVITATING BODY

## A. tt - component

The trace-reversed stress-energy tensor is defined as:

$$\bar{T}_{\mu\nu} \equiv T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}\eta_{\mu\nu}\eta^{\sigma\rho}T_{\sigma\rho}, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\eta^{\sigma\rho}T_{\sigma\rho} = -T_{00} + T_{ii}. \quad (2)$$

The tt component is:

$$\bar{T}_{00} = T_{00} - \frac{1}{2}T_{00} + \frac{1}{2}T_{ii} = \frac{1}{2}(T_{00} + T_{ii}) = \frac{1}{2}(T^{00} + T^{ii}). \quad (3)$$

$$h_{00} = \int d^3x' \frac{4\bar{T}_{00}(t - |x - x'|, x')}{|x - x'|} = \quad (4)$$

$$= 4 \int d^3x' (\bar{T}_{00}(t - r, x') + \bar{T}_{00,0}(t - r, x')(r - |x - x'|) + \dots) \frac{1}{|x - x'|} \quad (5)$$

$$= 4 \int d^3x' \left( \bar{T}'_{00} + \bar{T}'_{00,0} \left( x^j \frac{x'^j}{r} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^j x^k x'^j x'^k}{r^2} - r'^2 \delta_{jk} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^2}\right) \right) + \dots \right) \times \left( \frac{1}{r} + \frac{x^l x'^l}{r^3} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right) \right). \quad (6)$$

The term with  $\bar{T}'_{00}$  (*no time derivatives*) is:

$$\frac{2}{r} \int d^3x' (T^{00} + T^{ii}) + \frac{2x^l}{r^3} \int d^3x' (T^{00} + T^{ii}) x'^l + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right). \quad (7)$$

Using (19.4b), (19.6a), (19.7a), and (19.7b) from the textbook it becomes:

$$(7) = \frac{2M}{r} + \frac{1}{r} \int d^3x' T^{00}_{,00} r'^2 + \frac{2x^l}{r^3} \int d^3x' \left( T^{0i} x'^i x'^l - \frac{1}{2} T^{0l} r'^2 \right)_{,0} + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right). \quad (8)$$

The term with  $\bar{T}'_{00,0}$  (*first-order time derivative*) is:

$$\frac{2}{r^2} \int d^3x' (T^{00} + T^{ii})_{,0} \left( x^j x'^j + \frac{x^k x^k x'^j x'^k}{r^2} + \frac{1}{2} x^j x^k \frac{x'^j x'^k}{r^2} - r'^2 \delta_{jk} \right) + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right) \quad (9)$$

$$= 2 \int d^3x' (T^{00} + T^{ii})_{,0} \left( \frac{x^j x'^j}{r^2} + \frac{(3x^j x'^j x'^k - r'^2 \delta_{jk}) x^j x'^k}{2r^4} \right) + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right). \quad (10)$$

Every term in (8) and (10) except for  $\frac{2M}{r}$  is precisely canceled by gauge transformation:

$$\tilde{h}_{00} = h_{00} - 2\partial_0 \xi_0.$$

## B. ti - components

Similarly, we can compute the  $n = 0$  term of the  $h_{0i}$ :

$$\frac{4}{r} \int d^3 x' T_{0i} + \frac{4x^k}{r^3} \int d^3 x' T_{0i} x'^k + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right). \quad (11)$$

Applying zero momentum (19.4a) condition and using (19.7c) from the textbook:

$$(11) = -\frac{4x^k}{r^3} \int d^3 x' T^{0i} x'^k + O\left(\frac{1}{r^3}\right) \quad (12)$$

$$= -\frac{2x^k}{r^3} \int d^3 x' (T^{0k} x'^l - T^{0l} x'^k) \quad (13)$$