

Exercise 3.1.1 Show that  $T = \begin{pmatrix} \rho c^2 & 0 \\ 0 & P \end{pmatrix}$  for a Cartesian coord sys in which the velocity is rest momentarily at the point P for a perfect fluid

$$T^{\mu\nu} \stackrel{(3.2)}{=} \left(\rho + \frac{P}{c^2}\right) u^\mu u^\nu - P \eta^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{For a fluid at rest, } u^\mu \stackrel{(h)}{=} (c, 0, 0, 0).$$

$$\Rightarrow u^\mu u^\nu = c^2 \text{ and } u^\mu u^\nu = 0 \quad \forall \mu, \nu. \text{ So, } \left(\rho + \frac{P}{c^2}\right) u^\mu u^\nu = \begin{cases} \rho c^2 + P & \text{if } \mu = \nu = 0 \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Since } \eta^{\mu\nu} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \mu = \nu = 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } \mu = \nu = i \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}, \quad -P \eta^{\mu\nu} = \begin{cases} -P & \text{if } \mu = \nu = 0 \\ P & \text{if } \mu = \nu = i \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore T^{00} = \rho c^2 + P - P = \rho c^2, \quad T^{ii} = -(-P) = P \text{ and } T^{\mu\nu} = 0 \text{ o.w.} \quad \blacksquare$$

Exercise 3.1.2 An observer with world velocity  $U^\mu$  encounters a particle with 4-momentum  $p^\mu$ . Show that he assigns an energy  $p_\mu U^\mu$  to the particle.

We use the observer's rest frame at the moment of the encounter:

$$\text{Observer's 4-velocity is } U^\mu \stackrel{(h)}{=} (c, \vec{0})$$

$$\text{Particle's 4-momentum is } p^\mu \stackrel{(3.1)}{=} \left(\frac{E}{c}, \vec{p}\right) \Rightarrow p_\mu = \left(\frac{E}{c}, -\vec{p}\right) \text{ (by Example A.6.1)}$$

$$\text{So } p_\mu U^\mu = \frac{E}{c} (c) - \vec{p} \cdot \vec{0} = E. \text{ Since energy is conserved, } E = p_\mu U^\mu \text{ at all times.}$$

Note that the inner prod  $p_\mu U^\mu$  uses the particle's momentum but the observer's velocity.  $\blacksquare$

Exercise 3.1.3 Show that the stress tensor units are compatible in eq (3.2)

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \left(\rho + \frac{P}{c^2}\right) u^\mu u^\nu - P \eta^{\mu\nu}$$

Let  $m$  = mass,  $l$  = length and  $t$  = time, let  $a$  = accel.

$$\rho = \frac{m}{l^3} \quad \frac{P}{c^2} = \frac{F}{Ac^2} = \frac{ma}{Ac^2} = \frac{m}{l^2} \frac{l}{t^2} \frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{m}{l^3} \quad \checkmark \quad \eta^{\mu\nu} \text{ is dimensionless} \Rightarrow$$

$$\left(\rho + \frac{P}{c^2}\right) u^\mu u^\nu = \frac{m}{l^3} \frac{l^2}{t^2} = \frac{m}{l t^2} \quad \text{and} \quad P \eta^{\mu\nu} = \frac{ma}{A} = \frac{m l}{l^2 t^2} = \frac{m}{l t^2} \quad \checkmark \quad \blacksquare$$