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the field-equations is admissible, but in the direct-particle interaction theory only those solutions of the field-equations are admissible that satisfy the additional requirement :

$$M_0(x) = \sum M^{(a)}(x) = \sum \int G * (x, a) da \\ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum \int G_{ret.}(x, a) da + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \sum \int G_{adv.}(x, a) da$$

This requirement is highly restrictive ; it will be shown that it is not satisfied for the cosmological solutions of the Einstein field-equations, and it appears that it cannot be satisfied for any models of the universe that either contain an infinite amount of matter or undergo infinite expansion.

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The difficulty is similar to that occurring in Newtonian theory when it is recognized that the universe might be infinite.

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The Newtonian potential ϕ obeys the equation :

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