

# TT Projection Curved Space v4

## 1 Curved Space TT

### 1.1 SVT Decomposition

$$h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu}^{T\theta} + \left( \nabla_\mu W_\nu + \nabla_\nu W_\mu - \frac{2}{D} g_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\alpha W_\alpha \right) + \frac{1}{D-1} (g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) \Psi \quad (1.1)$$

$$h_{\mu\nu} = -2g_{\mu\nu}\chi + 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F + \nabla_\mu F_\nu + \nabla_\nu F_\mu + 2F_{\mu\nu}. \quad (1.2)$$

$$\chi = \frac{1}{D} \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} h \quad (1.3)$$

$$F = \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (1.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_\mu &= W_\mu - \nabla_\mu \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma \\ 2F_{\mu\nu} &= 2g_{\mu\nu}\chi - 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F - \nabla_\mu F_\nu - \nabla_\nu F_\mu - h_{\mu\nu} \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

### 1.2 Conditions upon $W_\mu$ and $\Psi$

$$\Psi = \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (1.6)$$

$$\left[ g_{\nu\alpha} \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \left( \frac{D-2}{D} \right) \nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha - R_{\nu\alpha} \right] W^\alpha = \nabla^\alpha h_{\alpha\nu} - \frac{1}{D-1} (\nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\nu) \Psi \quad (1.7)$$

$$\frac{2(D-1)}{D} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \nabla^\alpha R W_\alpha - 2R^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\alpha W_\beta = \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{(D-1)} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha R \nabla_\alpha + R^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\alpha \nabla_\beta \right] \Psi \quad (1.8)$$

### 1.3 Isolating $\chi$

According to (1.3),

$$\nabla^\sigma W_\sigma = D \left( \chi + \frac{1}{2(D-1)} h \right), \quad (1.9)$$

if we can find a derivative operator that acts upon  $\nabla^\sigma W_\sigma$  to yield a relation proportional to (1.8), then we may be able to express derivatives onto  $\chi$  as a function of  $h_{\mu\nu}$ . To fully invert  $\chi$ , we also require any  $\Psi$  dependent term to be pre-fixed by a covariant box,  $\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \Psi$ . Inspection of (1.8) shows no foreseeable path to finding a relation meeting these requirements.

#### 1.4 $h_{\mu\nu}(\chi, F, F_\mu)$

$$\nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} = -2\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \chi + 2\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha F - \nabla_\alpha R \nabla^\alpha F - 2R^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\beta \nabla_\alpha F - F^\alpha \nabla_\alpha R - 2R_{\alpha\beta} \nabla^\beta F^\alpha \quad (1.10)$$

$$\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha h = -8\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \chi + 2\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha F \quad (1.11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_\sigma \nabla^\sigma \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} = & -\frac{1}{12} F^\alpha R \nabla_\alpha R + \frac{3}{2} F^\alpha R^{\beta\gamma} \nabla_\alpha R_{\beta\gamma} - \nabla^\alpha R \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta F_\alpha - \nabla^\alpha R \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha F - F^\alpha \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha R \\ & - \nabla^\alpha F \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha R - 2\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \chi + \frac{4}{3} R R_{\alpha\beta} \nabla^\beta F^\alpha - 3R_{\alpha\gamma} R_{\beta\gamma} \nabla^\beta F^\alpha - 2\nabla_\beta \nabla_\alpha R \nabla^\beta F^\alpha \\ & + \frac{5}{12} F^\alpha R_{\alpha\beta} \nabla^\beta R - 2\nabla_\beta \nabla_\alpha R \nabla^\beta \nabla^\alpha F - \frac{3}{2} F^\alpha R^{\beta\gamma} \nabla_\gamma R_{\alpha\beta} - 2\nabla^\beta F^\alpha \nabla_\gamma \nabla^\gamma R_{\alpha\beta} \\ & - 2\nabla^\beta \nabla^\alpha F \nabla_\gamma \nabla^\gamma R_{\alpha\beta} - 2R^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\gamma \nabla^\gamma \nabla_\beta \nabla_\alpha F + 2\nabla_\gamma \nabla^\gamma \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha F - 3R_{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\gamma \nabla^\gamma \nabla^\beta F^\alpha \\ & - 4\nabla_\gamma \nabla_\beta \nabla_\alpha F \nabla^\gamma R^{\alpha\beta} + R_{\alpha\gamma} \nabla^\gamma \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta F^\alpha + 2\nabla_\beta R_{\alpha\gamma} \nabla^\gamma \nabla^\beta F^\alpha - 6\nabla_\gamma R_{\alpha\beta} \nabla^\gamma \nabla^\beta F^\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (1.12)$$

## 2 Max. Symmetric Space

$$h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu}^{T\theta} + \left( \nabla_\mu W_\nu + \nabla_\nu W_\mu - \frac{2}{D} g_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\alpha W_\alpha \right) + \frac{1}{D-1} (g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) \Psi \quad (2.1)$$

$$h_{\mu\nu} = -2g_{\mu\nu} \chi + 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F + \nabla_\mu F_\nu + \nabla_\nu F_\mu + 2F_{\mu\nu}. \quad (2.2)$$

$$\chi = \frac{1}{D} \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} h \quad (2.3)$$

$$F = \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_\mu &= W_\mu - \nabla_\mu \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma \\ 2F_{\mu\nu} &= 2g_{\mu\nu} \chi - 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F - \nabla_\mu F_\nu - \nabla_\nu F_\mu - h_{\mu\nu} \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

In a space of maximal symmetry defined by

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\lambda\mu\nu\kappa} &= k(g_{\mu\nu} g_{\lambda\kappa} - g_{\lambda\nu} g_{\mu\kappa}) \\ R_{\mu\kappa} &= k(1-D)g_{\mu\kappa} = \frac{R}{D} g_{\mu\kappa} \\ R &= kD(1-D), \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

the conditions upon  $W_\mu$  and  $\Psi$  reduce to

$$\Psi = \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (2.7)$$

$$\left( \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D} \right) W_\nu + \left( \frac{D-2}{D} \right) \nabla_\nu \nabla^\alpha W_\alpha = \nabla^\alpha h_{\alpha\nu} - \frac{R}{D(D-1)} \nabla_\nu \Psi \quad (2.8)$$

$$\frac{2(D-1)}{D} \left( \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D-1} \right) \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma = \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{R}{D(D-1)} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \Psi \quad (2.9)$$

From (2.9), we may determine  $\chi$  and  $F$  as

$$\left( \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D-1} \right) \chi = \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \left[ \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \left( \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D} \right) h \right] \quad (2.10)$$

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D-1}\right) \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta F = \frac{D}{2(D-1)} \left(\nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{D} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha h\right). \quad (2.11)$$

To determine  $F_\mu$  we apply  $(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha + \frac{R}{D})$  to (2.8) to obtain the relation

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha + \frac{R}{D}\right) \nabla^\sigma h_{\sigma\mu} - \frac{R}{D(D-1)} \nabla_\mu h = \left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D}\right) \left(\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \frac{R}{D}\right) W_\mu + \frac{D-2}{D} \nabla_\mu \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma. \quad (2.12)$$

As a result, we may obtain  $F_\mu$  via

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D}\right) \left(\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \frac{R}{D}\right) F_\mu = \left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha + \frac{R}{D}\right) \nabla^\sigma h_{\sigma\mu} - \nabla_\mu \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta}. \quad (2.13)$$

With aid from the Bach tensor in  $D = 4$ , we may determine  $F_{\mu\nu}$  in terms of  $K_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{4} g_{\mu\nu} h$  as

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha + \frac{R}{6}\right) \left(\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \frac{R}{3}\right) F_{\mu\nu} = \delta W_{\mu\nu}(K_{\mu\nu}). \quad (2.14)$$

In  $D = 3$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \left(\nabla^2 + \frac{R}{3}\right) \left(\nabla^2 + \frac{R}{2}\right) F_{ij}^{T\theta} = & (\nabla^2 - 2k)(\nabla^2 - 3k)h_{ij} - \nabla^2 \nabla_i \nabla^l h_{jl} - \nabla^2 \nabla_j \nabla^l h_{il} + 3k \nabla_j \nabla^l h_{il} + 3k \nabla_i \nabla^l h_{jl} \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_i \nabla_j \nabla^k \nabla^l h_{kl} + \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \nabla^2 \nabla^k \nabla^l h_{kl} - 2k g_{ij} \nabla^l \nabla^k h_{kl} + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_i \nabla_j (\nabla^2 + 4k)(g^{ab} h_{ab}) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} \nabla^2 (\nabla^2 - 3k)(g^{ab} h_{ab}) - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} k (\nabla^2 + 4k)(g^{ab} h_{ab}). \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

## 2.1 Summary

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D-1}\right) \chi = \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \left[\nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D}\right) h\right] \quad (2.16)$$

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D-1}\right) \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta F = \frac{D}{2(D-1)} \left(\nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{D} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha h\right) \quad (2.17)$$

$$\left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \frac{R}{D}\right) \left(\nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \frac{R}{D}\right) F_\mu = \left(\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha + \frac{R}{D}\right) \nabla^\sigma h_{\sigma\mu} - \nabla_\mu \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta}, \quad (2.18)$$

with  $F_{\mu\nu}$  given in terms of  $h_{\mu\nu}$  in  $D = 3$  and  $D = 4$  according to (2.15) and (2.14) respectively.

## Appendix A Curved Space TT Decomposition

Assume  $h_{\mu\nu}$  to be of the form:

$$h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu}^{T\theta} + \underbrace{\left( \nabla_\mu W_\nu + \nabla_\nu W_\mu - \frac{2}{D} g_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\alpha W_\alpha \right)}_{W_{\mu\nu}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{D-1} (g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) \Psi}_{S_{\mu\nu}} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Taking the trace of (A.1), we find the vector sector  $W_{\mu\nu}$  is decoupled from the trace and  $\Psi$  can easily be inverted,

$$g^{\mu\nu} W_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad (\text{A.2})$$

$$g^{\mu\nu} S_{\mu\nu} = \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \Psi = h \quad \rightarrow \Psi = \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (\text{A.3})$$

Taking the divergence of (A.1), we have

$$\nabla^\mu h_{\mu\nu} = \nabla^\mu W_{\mu\nu} + \nabla^\mu S_{\mu\nu}(h) \quad (\text{A.4})$$

By substituting (A.3), the above serves to define an equation for  $W_\mu$  in terms of  $h$  and  $h_{\mu\nu}$ , namely

$$\nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha W_\nu + \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\nu W_\alpha - \frac{2}{D} \nabla_\nu \nabla^\alpha W_\alpha = \nabla^\alpha h_{\alpha\nu} - \frac{1}{D-1} (\nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\nu) \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Commuting derivatives, (A.5) can be expressed in the equivalent forms,

$$\left[ g_{\nu\alpha} \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \nabla_\alpha \nabla_\nu - \frac{2}{D} \nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha \right] W^\alpha = \nabla^\alpha h_{\alpha\nu} - \frac{1}{D-1} (\nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\nu) \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h, \quad (\text{A.6})$$

$$\left[ g_{\nu\alpha} \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \left( \frac{D-2}{D} \right) \nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha - R_{\nu\alpha} \right] W^\alpha = \nabla^\alpha h_{\alpha\nu} - \frac{1}{D-1} R_{\nu\alpha} \nabla^\alpha \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h. \quad (\text{A.7})$$

Similar to (??), the requisite Green's function that solves  $W_\alpha$  is a bi-tensor defined as

$$\left[ g_{\nu\alpha} \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \left( \frac{D-2}{D} \right) \nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha - R_{\nu\alpha} \right] D^{\alpha\gamma'} = g^{\alpha\gamma'} g^{-1/2} \delta^{(D)}(x, x'). \quad (\text{A.8})$$

Hence,  $W_\mu$  takes the form

$$W_\mu = \int g^{1/2} D_\mu{}^{\sigma'} \left[ \nabla^{\rho'} h_{\sigma'\rho'} - \frac{1}{D-1} R_{\sigma'\rho'} \nabla^{\rho'} \int g^{1/2} D(x', x'') h \right]. \quad (\text{A.9})$$

## Appendix B SVTD Decomposition

Starting with

$$h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu}^{T\theta} + \left( \nabla_\mu W_\nu + \nabla_\nu W_\mu - \frac{2}{D} g_{\mu\nu} \nabla^\alpha W_\alpha \right) + \frac{1}{D-1} (g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) \Psi, \quad (\text{B.1})$$

we decompose  $W_\mu$  into transverse and longitudinal components viz.

$$W_\mu = \underbrace{W_\mu - \nabla_\mu \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma}_{F_\mu} + \underbrace{\nabla_\mu \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma}_H. \quad (\text{B.2})$$

Setting  $h_{\mu\nu}^{T\theta} = 2F_{\mu\nu}$ , (B.1) becomes

$$h_{\mu\nu} = 2F_{\mu\nu} + \nabla_\mu F_\nu + \nabla_\nu F_\mu + 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu H - \frac{2}{D} g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha H + \frac{1}{D-1} (g_{\mu\nu} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu) \Psi. \quad (\text{B.3})$$

Upon further defining

$$F = H - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \Psi \quad (\text{B.4})$$

$$\chi = \frac{1}{D} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha H - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \Psi, \quad (\text{B.5})$$

we may express (B.1) as the desired SVTD form:

$$h_{\mu\nu} = -2g_{\mu\nu}\chi + 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F + \nabla_\mu F_\nu + \nabla_\nu F_\mu + 2F_{\mu\nu}. \quad (\text{B.6})$$

$$\chi = \frac{1}{D} \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} h \quad (\text{B.7})$$

$$F = \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \frac{1}{2(D-1)} \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') h \quad (\text{B.8})$$

$$F_\mu = W_\mu - \nabla_\mu \int g^{1/2} D(x, x') \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma \quad (\text{B.9})$$

$$2F_{\mu\nu} = 2g_{\mu\nu}\chi - 2\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu F - \nabla_\mu F_\nu - \nabla_\nu F_\mu - h_{\mu\nu} \quad (\text{B.10})$$

$$\left[ g_{\nu\alpha} \nabla_\beta \nabla^\beta + \left( \frac{D-2}{D} \right) \nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha - R_{\nu\alpha} \right] W^\alpha = \nabla^\alpha h_{\alpha\nu} - \frac{1}{D-1} (\nabla_\nu \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha - \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\nu) \Psi \quad (\text{B.11})$$

$$\frac{2(D-1)}{D} \nabla_\alpha \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\sigma W_\sigma - \nabla^\alpha R W_\alpha - 2R^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\alpha W_\beta = \nabla^\alpha \nabla^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} - \frac{1}{(D-1)} \left[ \frac{1}{2} \nabla^\alpha R \nabla_\alpha + R^{\alpha\beta} \nabla_\alpha \nabla_\beta \right] \Psi \quad (\text{B.12})$$