

### 3. General Relativity — Equivalence Principle

What do we require of a theory of gravitation ?

- it should reproduce the known classical physics
    - the Weak Equivalence Principle (WEP)
      - \* inertial mass equals gravitational mass
    - with Special Relativity we noticed:
      - \* mass is just a form of energy
  - it should generalize the WEP
    - uniform acceleration is similar to an extended gravitational field
      - \* a free falling observer cannot detect the gravitational field
- ⇒ the free falling observer replaces the inertial frame of SR

⇒ **Einstein's Equivalence Principle:**

"In small enough regions of spacetime, we only need SR;  
it is impossible to detect the gravitational field"

### 3. General Relativity — Geodesic equation

#### How can we "derive" General Relativity ?

- without gravity a test particle should move on a straight line
  - like in Newtonian mechanics
- but what is a "straight line" in a curved spacetime?
  - ⇒ a curve  $x(\tau)$  with tangent vector  $\frac{dx}{d\tau}$ , constant along the curve

⇒ geodesic equation:  $0 = \nabla_V V$  with  $V = \frac{dx}{d\tau}$  or

$$\frac{dx^\mu}{d\tau} \left( \partial_\mu \frac{dx^\rho}{d\tau} + \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\rho \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau} \right) = \frac{d^2 x^\rho}{d\tau^2} + \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\rho \frac{dx^\mu}{d\tau} \frac{dx^\nu}{d\tau} = 0 \quad (1)$$

- locally we can always choose an orthonormal coordinate system
  - the Christoffel symbols vanish at the point  $P$ :  $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\rho|_P = 0$
- ⇒ at  $P$  we get for the "straight line"

$$\left. \frac{d^2 x^\mu}{d\tau^2} \right|_P = 0 \quad \text{with solution:} \quad x^\mu = x_0^\mu + v^\mu \tau \quad (2)$$

### 3. General Relativity — Einstein equations

#### How can we "derive" General Relativity ?

- Newtonian gravity has to be a limiting case for
  - constant and weak gravitational fields
  - slow moving test particles

⇒ the metric should have Minkovski form with a small perturbation:

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{with} \quad |h_{\mu\nu}| \ll 1 \quad (3)$$

- slow moving means  $|\frac{dx^i}{d\tau}| \ll \frac{dx^0}{d\tau} = \frac{dt}{d\tau}$

⇒ the geodesic equation becomes a perturbation series:

$$\frac{d^2 t}{d\tau^2} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^2 x^i}{d\tau^2} + \Gamma_{00}^i \frac{dt}{d\tau} \frac{dt}{d\tau} = \left(\frac{dt}{d\tau}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d^2 x^i}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{2} \eta^{ij} (-\partial_j h_{00})\right) = 0 \quad (4)$$

- and the second looks like Newtons equation for gravity:

$$\frac{d^2 x^i}{dt^2} = a^i = -\frac{d}{dx^i} \Phi = -\frac{d}{dx^i} \left(-\frac{GM}{r}\right) \quad (5)$$

⇒ we can identify the Newtonian limit for the metric as

$$g_{00} = 1 - 2\frac{GM}{r} \quad \text{and} \quad g_{ii} = -1 \quad (6)$$

### 3. General Relativity — Einstein equations

#### How can we "derive" General Relativity ?

- generalizing the Poisson equation for gravity

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi G \rho \quad (7)$$

- we need second derivatives of the potential, i.e. the metric

⇒ the Riemann curvature tensor . . . or contractions of it

- a generalization for the density

⇒ the stress-energy tensor  $T_{\mu\nu}$  with  $T_{00} = \rho$

\* which is conserved:  $\nabla^\mu T_{\mu\nu} = 0$

⇒ we have to find a conserved tensor, made out of  $R^\rho{}_{\sigma\mu\nu}$

- contracting the second Bianchi identity:

$$0 = g^{\mu\rho} g^{\nu\lambda} (R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma;\lambda} + R_{\mu\nu\lambda\rho;\sigma} + R_{\mu\nu\sigma\lambda;\rho}) = R_{\nu\sigma;\lambda} g^{\nu\lambda} - R_{;\sigma} + R_{\mu\sigma;\rho} g^{\mu\rho} = 2\nabla^\mu R_{\mu\sigma} - \nabla_\sigma R \quad (8)$$

⇒ tells us that the Einstein tensor  $G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu}$  is conserved

⇒ Einstein equations  $G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi GT_{\mu\nu} \quad (9)$

### 3. General Relativity — Vacuum solutions

#### Ricci flatness

- contracting the Einstein equations

$$g^{\mu\nu}(R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu}) = R(1 - \frac{4}{2}) = -R = 8\pi Gg^{\mu\nu}T_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi GT \quad (10)$$

we can rewrite them as

$$R_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi GT_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G(T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Tg_{\mu\nu}) \quad (11)$$

- vacuum means  $T_{\mu\nu} = 0$ . So we get  $R_{\mu\nu} = 0$ 
  - solutions with this behaviour are called Ricci flat
    - \* but that does not require  $R^\mu_{\nu\rho\sigma} = 0$
- including the electro-magnetic field as  $T_{\mu\nu} = g^{\alpha\beta}F_{\mu\alpha}F_{\nu\beta} - \frac{1}{4}g_{\mu\nu}F_{\alpha\beta}F^{\alpha\beta}$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  gives the electro-vacuum solutions
    - \* they are not Ricci flat
- including the cosmological constant  $\Lambda$  as  $T_{\mu\nu} = -g_{\mu\nu}\frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G}$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  gives the 'Lambda-vacuum' solutions
    - \* de Sitter space ( $dS_4$ ) with  $\Lambda > 0$
    - \* anti-de Sitter space ( $AdS_4$ ) with  $\Lambda < 0$

### 3. General Relativity — Vacuum solutions

symmetries can classify the possible solutions

- a vanishing  $R^\mu_{\nu\rho\sigma}$  gives the maximally symmetric solution
  - Minkowski spacetime has the constant metric  $\eta_{\mu\nu}$
  - ⇒ allows invariance under all Lorentz transformations
- the spherically symmetric solution is the Schwarzschild metric
  - it does not change with time ⇒ static
  - it is invariant under rotations around the central mass
  - inclusion of the EM field: the static Reissner-Nordström metric
- rotational symmetry around an axis: the stationary Kerr metric
  - inclusion of the EM field: the stationary Kerr-Newman metric
- since these solutions are static or stationary
  - there are no problems with time evolution and stability
  - ⇒ used for studying features of spacetime: black holes, singularities

### 3. General Relativity — Symmetries

How can we express symmetries?

- We know from **Noether's theorem** :
  - symmetries are connected to conserved quantities
  - the derivative of conserved quantities vanishes
- with the Lie derivative one studies the change along the vector
  - if the Lie derivative  $\mathcal{L}_V(X)$  vanishes
    - $\Rightarrow X$  is invariant along  $V$
  - $\Rightarrow$  the vector  $V$  **generates** a **symmetry transformation** for  $X$
- if  $\mathcal{L}_V(g_{\mu\nu}) = 0 \Rightarrow V$  **generates** a **symmetry** for  $M$ 
  - such a vectorfield  $V$  is called **Killing vectorfield**
  - the equation is called **Killing equation** ( $\mathcal{L}_V(g_{\mu\nu}) = 0$ )

$$0 = V^\rho(\nabla_\rho g_{\mu\nu}) + g_{\lambda\nu}(\nabla_\mu V^\lambda) + g_{\mu\lambda}(\nabla_\nu V^\lambda) = (\nabla_\mu V_\nu) + (\nabla_\nu V_\mu) \quad (12)$$

- here we have used the definition of the Lie derivative on covectors from

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_V(A^\mu \omega_\mu) &= V^\nu \nabla_\nu (A^\mu \omega_\mu) = V^\nu [(\nabla_\nu A^\mu) \omega_\mu + A^\mu (\nabla_\nu \omega_\mu)] \\ &= \mathcal{L}_V(A^\mu) \omega_\mu + A^\mu \mathcal{L}_V(\omega_\mu) = [V^\nu (\nabla_\nu A^\mu) - A^\nu (\nabla_\nu V^\mu)] \omega_\mu + A^\mu \mathcal{L}_V(\omega_\mu) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

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#### Killing vectorfields express the symmetries

- for  $S^2$  we have three Killing vector fields  $V^{(1)}, V^{(2)}, V^{(3)}$ 
  - they "close" under commutation:  $[V^{(j)}, V^{(k)}] = \epsilon^{jkl} V^{(l)}$ 
    - $\Rightarrow$  they form the rotation group  $SO(3)$
  - $S^2$  is maximally symmetric
- for a spherically symmetric  $M$ 
  - we have to have three Killing vector fields  $V^{(j)}$
  - these  $V^{(j)}$  transport points around *within the same sphere*
    - $\Rightarrow$  they *foliate*  $M$  (like onion shells)
- Frobenius theorem tells us:
  - we can pick coordinates  $b^k$  in the space spanned by  $V^{(j)}$
  - and coordinates  $a^K$  outside the space spanned by  $V^{(j)}$
  - then the metric in  $M$  can be written as

$$ds^2 = g_{JK}(a) da^J da^K + g_{jk}(a) db^j db^k \quad (14)$$



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#### Spherical symmetry

- choosing the coordinates on  $S^2$  as  $(\vartheta, \varphi)$  with  $d^2\Omega = d^2\vartheta + \sin^2\vartheta d^2\varphi$
- choosing the coordinates outside  $S^2$  as  $(a, b)$  we get the metric

$$ds^2 = g_{aa}da^2 + g_{ab}(dad b + dbda) + g_{bb}db^2 - r^2(a, b)d^2\Omega \quad (15)$$

- inverting  $r(a, b)$  to  $b(a, r)$  we can replace  $b$  by  $r$
- finding  $t(a, r)$  so that cross terms in  $(t, r)$  vanishes:  $dt = \frac{\partial t}{\partial a}da + \frac{\partial t}{\partial r}dr$
- making an ansatz with functions  $m(t, r)$  and  $n(t, r)$

$$\begin{aligned} ds^2 &= mdt^2 + ndr^2 - r^2d^2\Omega \\ &= m\left[\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial a}\right)^2da^2 + \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial a}\right)\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial r}\right)(dad r + drda) + \left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial r}\right)^2dr^2\right] + ndr^2 - r^2d^2\Omega \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

- gives three equations

$$m\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial a}\right)^2 = g_{aa} \quad m\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial a}\right)\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial r}\right) = g_{ar} \quad m\left(\frac{\partial t}{\partial r}\right)^2 + n = g_{rr} \quad (17)$$

- can be solved for  $m$ ,  $n$ , and  $t$ , which gives then  $a(t, r)$

- looking at the flat Minkovsky metric  $ds^2 = dt^2 - dr^2 - r^2d^2\Omega$ 
  - we **assume**  $m = e^{2\alpha(t, r)}$  positive and  $n = -e^{2\beta(t, r)}$  negative

$$\Rightarrow \text{we get the metric} \quad ds^2 = e^{2\alpha(t, r)}dt^2 - e^{2\beta(t, r)}dr^2 - r^2d^2\Omega \quad (18)$$

- now we have to solve the Einstein equations

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calculating the non-vanishing Christoffel symbols

- $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^t = \frac{1}{2}g^{tt}(\partial_\mu g_{\nu t} + \partial_\nu g_{\mu t} - \partial_t g_{\mu\nu}) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\alpha}[(\partial_\mu \delta_\nu^t + \partial_\nu \delta_\mu^t)e^{2\alpha} - \partial_t g_{\mu\nu}]$  gives

$$\Gamma_{tt}^t = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\alpha}[2\partial_t e^{2\alpha} - \partial_t e^{2\alpha}] = \partial_t \alpha \quad (19)$$

$$\Gamma_{tr}^t = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\alpha}[\partial_r e^{2\alpha}] = \partial_r \alpha \quad (20)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^t = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\alpha}[-\partial_t(-e^{2\beta})] = e^{-2(\alpha-\beta)}\partial_t \beta \quad (21)$$

- $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^r = \frac{1}{2}g^{rr}(\partial_\mu g_{\nu r} + \partial_\nu g_{\mu r} - \partial_r g_{\mu\nu}) = -\frac{1}{2}e^{-2\beta}[(\partial_\mu \delta_\nu^r + \partial_\nu \delta_\mu^r)(-e^{2\beta}) - \partial_r g_{\mu\nu}]$  gives

$$\Gamma_{tt}^r = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\beta}[\partial_r e^{2\alpha}] = e^{2(\alpha-\beta)}\partial_r \alpha \quad (22)$$

$$\Gamma_{tr}^r = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\beta}[\partial_t e^{2\beta}] = \partial_t \beta \quad (23)$$

$$\Gamma_{rr}^r = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\beta}[2\partial_r e^{2\beta} + \partial_r(-e^{2\beta})] = \partial_r \beta \quad (24)$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^r = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\beta}[\partial_r(-r^2)] = -e^{-2\beta}r \quad (25)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r = \frac{1}{2}e^{-2\beta}[\partial_r(-r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta)] = -e^{-2\beta}r \sin^2 \vartheta \quad (26)$$

- $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\vartheta = \frac{1}{2}g^{\vartheta\vartheta}(\partial_\mu g_{\nu\vartheta} + \partial_\nu g_{\mu\vartheta} - \partial_\vartheta g_{\mu\nu}) = -\frac{1}{2}r^{-2}[(\partial_\mu \delta_\nu^\vartheta + \partial_\nu \delta_\mu^\vartheta)(-r^2) - \partial_\vartheta g_{\mu\nu}]$  gives

$$\Gamma_{r\vartheta}^\vartheta = -\frac{1}{2}r^{-2}[\partial_r(-r^2)] = r^{-1} \quad (27)$$

$$\Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\vartheta = -\frac{1}{2}r^{-2}[-\partial_\vartheta(-r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta)] = -\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta \quad (28)$$

- $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^\varphi = \frac{1}{2}g^{\varphi\varphi}(\partial_\mu g_{\nu\varphi} + \partial_\nu g_{\mu\varphi} - \partial_\varphi g_{\mu\nu}) = -\frac{1}{2}r^{-2} \sin^{-2} \vartheta[(\partial_\mu \delta_\nu^\varphi + \partial_\nu \delta_\mu^\varphi)(-r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta)]$  gives

$$\Gamma_{r\varphi}^\varphi = \frac{1}{2}r^{-2} \sin^{-2} \vartheta[\partial_r r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta] = r^{-1} \quad (29)$$

$$\Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^\varphi = \frac{1}{2}r^{-2} \sin^{-2} \vartheta[\partial_\vartheta r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta] = \frac{\cos \vartheta}{\sin \vartheta} \quad (30)$$

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calculating from the  $\Gamma$ s the non-vanishing Riemann tensor components

- $R_{tr\sigma\rho} = g_{tt}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho r}^t - \Gamma_{\rho\lambda}^t \Gamma_{\sigma r}^\lambda) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma) = e^{2\alpha}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho r}^t - \Gamma_{\rho t}^t \Gamma_{\sigma r}^t - \Gamma_{\rho r}^t \Gamma_{\sigma r}^r - \partial_\rho \Gamma_{\sigma r}^t + \Gamma_{\sigma t}^t \Gamma_{\rho r}^t + \Gamma_{\sigma r}^t \Gamma_{\rho r}^r)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{trtr} &= e^{2\alpha}(\partial_t \Gamma_{rr}^t - \Gamma_{rt}^t \Gamma_{tr}^t - \Gamma_{rr}^t \Gamma_{tr}^r - \partial_r \Gamma_{tr}^t + \Gamma_{tt}^t \Gamma_{rr}^t + \Gamma_{tr}^t \Gamma_{rr}^r) \\
 &= e^{2\alpha}(\partial_t(e^{-2(\alpha-\beta)} \partial_t \beta) - (\partial_r \alpha)^2 - (e^{-2(\alpha-\beta)} \partial_t \beta)(\partial_t \beta) - \partial_r(\partial_r \alpha) + (\partial_t \alpha)(e^{-2(\alpha-\beta)} \partial_t \beta) + (\partial_r \alpha)(\partial_r \beta)) \\
 &= e^{2\beta}[\partial_t^2 \beta - (\partial_t \alpha)(\partial_t \beta) + (\partial_t \beta)^2] - e^{2\alpha}[\partial_r^2 \alpha + (\partial_r \alpha)^2 - (\partial_r \alpha)(\partial_r \beta)]
 \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

- $R_{t\vartheta\sigma\rho} = g_{tt}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^t - \Gamma_{\rho\lambda}^t \Gamma_{\sigma\vartheta}^\lambda) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma) = -e^{2\alpha}(\Gamma_{\rho r}^t \Gamma_{\sigma\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{\sigma r}^t \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^r)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{t\vartheta t\vartheta} &= -e^{2\alpha}(\Gamma_{\vartheta r}^t \Gamma_{t\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{tr}^t \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^r) = e^{2\alpha}(\partial_r \alpha)(-e^{-2\beta} r) \\
 &= -e^{2(\alpha-\beta)} r (\partial_r \alpha)
 \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{t\vartheta r\vartheta} &= e^{2\alpha}(\Gamma_{rr}^t \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^r) = e^{2\alpha}(e^{-2(\alpha-\beta)} \partial_t \beta)(-e^{-2\beta} r) \\
 &= -r(\partial_t \beta)
 \end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

- $R_{t\varphi\sigma\rho} = g_{tt}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^t - \Gamma_{\rho\lambda}^t \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^\lambda) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma) = -e^{2\alpha}(\Gamma_{\rho r}^t \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{\sigma r}^t \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^r)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{t\varphi t\varphi} &= -e^{2\alpha}(\Gamma_{\varphi r}^t \Gamma_{t\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{tr}^t \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r) = e^{2\alpha}(\partial_r \alpha)(-e^{-2\beta} r \sin^2 \vartheta) \\
 &= -e^{2(\alpha-\beta)} r \sin^2 \vartheta (\partial_r \alpha)
 \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{t\varphi r\varphi} &= e^{2\alpha}(\Gamma_{rr}^t \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r) = e^{2\alpha}(e^{-2(\alpha-\beta)} \partial_t \beta)(-e^{-2\beta} r \sin^2 \vartheta) \\
 &= -r \sin^2 \vartheta (\partial_t \beta)
 \end{aligned} \tag{35}$$

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calculating from the  $\Gamma$ s the non-vanishing Riemann tensor components

- $R_{r\vartheta\sigma\rho} = g_{rr}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{\rho\lambda}^r \Gamma_{\sigma\vartheta}^\lambda) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma) = -e^{2\beta}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{\sigma r}^r \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{\sigma\vartheta}^r \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^r \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^\varphi) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{r\vartheta r\vartheta} &= -e^{2\beta}(\partial_r \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{rr}^r \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^r - \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^r \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{r\varphi}^r \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^\varphi - \partial_\vartheta \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^r + \Gamma_{\vartheta r}^r \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^r + \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^r \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^\vartheta + \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^r \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^\varphi) \\ &= -e^{2\beta}(\partial_r(-e^{-2\beta}r) - (\partial_r\beta)(-e^{-2\beta}r) + (-e^{-2\beta}r)(r^{-1})) = -2r(\partial_r\beta) + 1 + r(\partial_r\beta) - 1 \\ &= -r(\partial_r\beta) \end{aligned} \tag{36}$$

- $R_{r\varphi\sigma\rho} = g_{rr}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{\rho\lambda}^r \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^\lambda) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma) = -e^{2\beta}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{\sigma r}^r \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{\sigma\vartheta}^r \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^r \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^\varphi) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{r\varphi r\varphi} &= -e^{2\beta}(\partial_r \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{rr}^r \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{r\vartheta}^r \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{r\varphi}^r \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\varphi - \partial_\varphi \Gamma_{r\varphi}^r + \Gamma_{\varphi r}^r \Gamma_{r\varphi}^r + \Gamma_{\varphi\vartheta}^r \Gamma_{r\varphi}^\vartheta + \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r \Gamma_{r\varphi}^\varphi) \\ &= -e^{2\beta}(\partial_r(-e^{-2\beta}r \sin^2 \vartheta) - (\partial_r\beta)(-e^{-2\beta}r \sin^2 \vartheta) + (-e^{-2\beta}r \sin^2 \vartheta)(r^{-1})) \\ &= -r \sin^2 \vartheta (\partial_r\beta) \end{aligned} \tag{37}$$

- $R_{\vartheta\varphi\sigma\rho} = g_{\vartheta\vartheta}(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\rho\lambda}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^\lambda) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma) = -r^2(\partial_\sigma \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\rho r}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{\rho\vartheta}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\rho\varphi}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\sigma\varphi}^\varphi) - (\rho \leftrightarrow \sigma)$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\varphi} &= -r^2(\partial_\vartheta \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\varphi r}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^r - \Gamma_{\varphi\vartheta}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^\vartheta - \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^\varphi - \partial_\varphi \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^\vartheta + \Gamma_{\vartheta r}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^r + \Gamma_{\vartheta\vartheta}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\vartheta + \Gamma_{\vartheta\varphi}^\vartheta \Gamma_{\varphi\varphi}^\varphi) \\ &= -r^2(\partial_\vartheta(-\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta) - (-\sin \vartheta \cos \vartheta)(\frac{\cos \vartheta}{\sin \vartheta}) + (r^{-1})(-e^{-2\beta}r \sin^2 \vartheta)) \\ &= r^2(\cos^2 \vartheta - \sin^2 \vartheta - \cos^2 \vartheta + e^{-2\beta} \sin^2 \vartheta) \\ &= r^2 \sin^2 \vartheta (e^{-2\beta} - 1) \end{aligned} \tag{38}$$

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contracting gives the Ricci tensor components, which have to be zero

- $R_{t\mu} = g^{tt}R_{ttt\mu} + g^{rr}R_{rtr\mu} + g^{\vartheta\vartheta}R_{\vartheta t\vartheta\mu} + g^{\varphi\varphi}R_{\varphi t\varphi\mu} = g^{rr}R_{trr\mu} + g^{\vartheta\vartheta}R_{t\vartheta\mu\vartheta} + g^{\varphi\varphi}R_{t\varphi\mu\varphi}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{tt} &= -e^{-2\beta}(e^{2\beta}[\partial_t^2\beta - (\partial_t\alpha)(\partial_t\beta) + (\partial_t\beta)^2] - e^{2\alpha}[\partial_r^2\alpha + (\partial_r\alpha)^2 - (\partial_r\alpha)(\partial_r\beta)]) \\ &\quad - r^{-2}[-e^{2(\alpha-\beta)}r(\partial_r\alpha)] - r^{-2}\sin^{-2}\vartheta[-e^{2(\alpha-\beta)}r\sin^2\vartheta(\partial_r\alpha)] \\ &= -[\partial_t^2\beta - (\partial_t\alpha)(\partial_t\beta) + (\partial_t\beta)^2] + e^{2(\alpha-\beta)}[\partial_r^2\alpha + (\partial_r\alpha)^2 - (\partial_r\alpha)(\partial_r\beta) + 2r^{-1}(\partial_r\alpha)] \end{aligned} \quad (39)$$

$$R_{tr} = -r^{-2}[-r(\partial_t\beta)] - r^{-2}\sin^{-2}\vartheta[-r\sin^2\vartheta(\partial_t\beta)] = 2r^{-1}(\partial_t\beta) \quad (40)$$

- $R_{r\mu} = g^{tt}R_{trt\mu} + g^{rr}R_{rrr\mu} + g^{\vartheta\vartheta}R_{\vartheta r\vartheta\mu} + g^{\varphi\varphi}R_{\varphi r\varphi\mu} = g^{tt}R_{trt\mu} + g^{\vartheta\vartheta}R_{r\vartheta\mu\vartheta} + g^{\varphi\varphi}R_{r\varphi\mu\varphi}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{rr} &= e^{-2\alpha}(e^{2\beta}[\partial_t^2\beta - (\partial_t\alpha)(\partial_t\beta) + (\partial_t\beta)^2] - e^{2\alpha}[\partial_r^2\alpha + (\partial_r\alpha)^2 - (\partial_r\alpha)(\partial_r\beta)]) \\ &\quad - r^{-2}[-r(\partial_r\beta)] - r^{-2}\sin^{-2}\vartheta[-r\sin^2\vartheta(\partial_r\beta)] \\ &= e^{2(\beta-\alpha)}[\partial_t^2\beta - (\partial_t\alpha)(\partial_t\beta) + (\partial_t\beta)^2] - \partial_r^2\alpha - (\partial_r\alpha)^2 + (\partial_r\alpha)(\partial_r\beta) + 2r^{-1}(\partial_r\beta) \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

- $R_{\vartheta\mu} = g^{tt}R_{t\vartheta t\mu} + g^{rr}R_{r\vartheta r\mu} + g^{\vartheta\vartheta}R_{\vartheta\vartheta\vartheta\mu} + g^{\varphi\varphi}R_{\varphi\vartheta\varphi\mu} = e^{-2\alpha}R_{t\vartheta t\mu} - e^{-2\beta}R_{r\vartheta r\mu} - r^{-2}\sin^{-2}\vartheta R_{\vartheta\varphi\mu\varphi}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\vartheta\vartheta} &= e^{-2\alpha}[-e^{2(\alpha-\beta)}r(\partial_r\alpha)] - e^{-2\beta}[-r(\partial_r\beta)] - r^{-2}\sin^{-2}\vartheta[r^2\sin^2\vartheta(e^{-2\beta} - 1)] \\ &= 1 - e^{-2\beta}[r(\partial_r\alpha) - r(\partial_r\beta) + 1] \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

- $R_{\varphi\mu} = g^{tt}R_{t\varphi t\mu} + g^{rr}R_{r\varphi r\mu} + g^{\vartheta\vartheta}R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\mu} + g^{\varphi\varphi}R_{\varphi\varphi\varphi\mu} = e^{-2\alpha}R_{t\varphi t\mu} - e^{-2\beta}R_{r\varphi r\mu} - r^{-2}R_{\vartheta\varphi\vartheta\mu}$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\varphi\varphi} &= e^{-2\alpha}[e^{2\alpha}(\partial_r\alpha)(-e^{-2\beta}r\sin^2\vartheta)] - e^{-2\beta}[-r\sin^2\vartheta(\partial_r\beta)] - r^{-2}[r^2\sin^2\vartheta(e^{-2\beta} - 1)] \\ &= -e^{-2\beta}r\sin^2\vartheta(\partial_r\alpha) + e^{-2\beta}r\sin^2\vartheta(\partial_r\beta) - e^{-2\beta}\sin^2\vartheta + \sin^2\vartheta \\ &= (1 - e^{-2\beta}[r(\partial_r\alpha) - r(\partial_r\beta) + 1])\sin^2\vartheta = R_{\vartheta\vartheta}\sin^2\vartheta \end{aligned} \quad (43)$$

⇒ we get four independent equations

### 3. General Relativity — spherical vacuum solutions

using  $R_{tr}$  and  $R_{\vartheta\vartheta}$

- $R_{tr} = 2r^{-1}(\partial_t\beta) = 0$  tells us that  $\beta = \beta(r)$
- taking the derivative with respect to  $t$  of  $R_{\vartheta\vartheta}$

$$\partial_t R_{\vartheta\vartheta} = -e^{-2\beta}[r(\partial_t\partial_r\alpha) - r(\partial_t\partial_r\beta)] = -e^{-2\beta}r(\partial_t\partial_r\alpha) = 0 \quad (44)$$

tells us:

$$\alpha(t, r) = \alpha(r) + g(t) \quad (45)$$

- rescaling  $t \rightarrow t' = \tilde{g}(t)$  with  $dt' = e^{g(t)}dt$  (and renaming  $t'$  as  $t$ ) we get

$$ds^2 = e^{2\alpha(r)}dt^2 - e^{2\beta(r)}dr^2 - r^2d^2\Omega \quad (46)$$

$\Rightarrow$  all metric components are independent of  $t$

$\Rightarrow$  the metric has a **timelike Killing vector**  $\partial_0$  !

$\Rightarrow$  such a metric is called **stationary**

— if  $\partial_0$  is orthogonal to a family of hypersurfaces (like  $S^2$ )

$\Rightarrow$  the metric is called **static**

### 3. General Relativity — spherical vacuum solutions

using  $R_{tt}$ ,  $R_{rr}$ , and  $R_{\vartheta\vartheta}$

- since both,  $R_{tt}$  and  $R_{rr}$ , are zero, we get

$$0 = e^{2(\beta-\alpha)} R_{tt} + R_{rr} = 2r^{-1}(\partial_r \alpha) + 2r^{-1}(\partial_r \beta) \quad (47)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = -\beta + \text{const}$$

$\Rightarrow$  but the constant can be absorbed in a constant rescaling of  $t$

- using  $R_{\vartheta\vartheta}$  again we get

$$0 = 1 - e^{-2\beta}[-2r(\partial_r \beta) + 1] = 1 - \partial_r(re^{-2\beta}) \quad (48)$$

which has the solution

$$re^{-2\beta} = r + \mu \quad \text{or} \quad e^{-2\beta} = 1 + \frac{\mu}{r} = e^{2\alpha} \quad (49)$$

- comparing with the weak field limit for  $r \rightarrow \infty$  we get  $\mu = -2GM$   
— and the **Schwarzschild metric**

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right) dt^2 - \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d^2\Omega \quad (50)$$

### 3. General Relativity — Schwarzschild metric

the Schwarzschild metric describes the vacuum outside a spherical mass

- the metric is asymptotically flat:
  - for  $M \rightarrow 0$  or  $r \rightarrow \infty$  we recover the Minkovsky metric
- it has the **physical singularity** at  $r \rightarrow 0$ 
  - can be seen from  $R^{abcd}R_{abcd} = 48G^2M^2r^{-6}$
- it has a **coordinate singularity** at  $r \rightarrow r_s = 2GM$ 
  - $r_s$  is called the **Schwarzschild radius**
    - \* the Schwarzschild radius for the Earth is  $\sim 8.87\text{mm}$ ; for the sun  $\sim 2.95\text{km}$
    - \* but the radius of the Earth is  $\sim 3870\text{km}$ ; for the sun  $\sim 7 * 10^5\text{km}$
  - the coordinate singularity can be avoided by changing coordinates
    - \* Kruskal-Szekeres coordinates are valid up to the physical singularity
    - \* the radial coordinate of the Schwarzschild metric becomes timelike at  $r_s$
- the Schwarzschild radius defines the **event horizon**
  - anything passing the event horizon can only move in the direction to  $r = 0$



### 3. General Relativity — more (electro-) vacuum solutions including the electro magnetic field

- a spherically symmetric (and hence static) solution exists
  - the static **Reissner-Nordström metric**:

$$ds^2 = \Delta dt^2 - \Delta^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d^2\Omega \quad (51)$$

with

$$\Delta = 1 - \frac{2GM}{r} + \frac{G(p^2 + q^2)}{r^2} = 1 - \frac{r_s}{r} + \frac{r_Q^2}{r^2} \quad (52)$$

- $q(p)$  is the electric (magnetic) charge of the central mass
- $p^2 + q^2 = GM^2$  is called an "**extremal black hole**"
  - \* then  $\frac{1}{2}r_s = r_Q$  and  $\Delta = (1 - \frac{r_s}{2r})^2 = (1 - \frac{r_Q}{r})^2$

- this **extreme Reissner-Nordström solution** is used in theory to study
  - the information loss paradox of a black hole
  - the quantum gravity interpretation of a black hole
    - \* the electron as a charged black hole would be super-extremal with  $\frac{1}{2}r_s \sim 10^{-57}\text{m} \ll r_Q \sim 10^{-36}\text{m}$

### 3. General Relativity — more (electro-) vacuum solutions

including angular momentum of the central mass

- it took 48 years to find a solution that includes angular momentum
  - the stationary **Kerr metric** in **Kerr-Schild form**

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} - \frac{2GMr^3}{r^4 + a^2 z^2} k_\mu k_\nu \quad \text{with} \quad k_\mu = \left(1, \frac{rx+ay}{r^2+a^2}, \frac{ry-ax}{r^2+a^2}, \frac{z}{r}\right) \quad (53)$$

\* where  $r$  is given by the solution of  $1 = \frac{x^2+y^2}{r^2+a^2} + \frac{z^2}{r^2}$

\* and  $a$  parametrizes the angular momentum:  $J = Ma$

- including additionally the electro magnetic field
  - requires the **Kerr-Newman metric**

$$ds^2 = \frac{\Delta}{\rho^2} (dt - a \sin^2 \theta d\phi)^2 - \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\rho^2} (adt - (r^2 + a^2)d\phi)^2 - \rho^2 \left( \frac{dr^2}{\Delta} + d\theta^2 \right) \quad (54)$$

$$\text{with} \quad \Delta(r) = r^2 + a^2 - 2GMr + \frac{p^2+q^2}{G} = r^2 + a^2 - r_s r + r_Q^2 \quad (55)$$

$$\rho^2(r, \theta) = r^2 + a^2 \sin^2 \theta \quad (56)$$

- the metric does not depend on  $t$  and  $\phi \Rightarrow \partial_t$  and  $\partial_\phi$  are Killing vectors
- notice the cross term between  $dt$  and  $d\phi$ 
  - $\Rightarrow \partial_t$  is not orthogonal to  $S^2$  hypersurfaces  $\Rightarrow$  not static

### 3. General Relativity — more (electro-) vacuum solutions

#### features of the Kerr-Newman metric

- there are several surfaces, where the metric becomes singular
    - with the Schwarzschild metric we had only the Schwarzschild horizon
    - with the Reissner-Nordström metric there are two horizons at  $r_{\pm} = \frac{1}{2}(r_s \pm \sqrt{r_s^2 - 4r_Q^2})$ 
      - \* going in  $\partial_{(0)}$  changes its character at  $r_{\pm}$ : timelike  $\xrightarrow{r_+}$  spacelike  $\xrightarrow{r_-}$  timelike
    - with Kerr-Newman there is an additional **Killing horizon** outside of  $r_+$
    - between the **outer event horizon** at  $r_+$  and the Killing horizon is the **ergosphere**
  - inside the ergosphere
    - everything rotates in the same direction as the central body
      - \* this is called **dragging of inertial frames**
    - the conserved energy can be negative in the ergosphere
      - \* following a geodesic into the ergosphere one can "throw a rock" into the black hole and emerge on a geodesic with more energy afterwards
- ⇒ **Penrose process**
- the extracted energy reduces the angular momentum of the black hole
- ⇒ analogy between black holes and thermodynamics