

Covariant Perturbations of Schwarzschild in the 1+1+2 Formalism

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The 1+3 Formalism

- Partial tetrad formalism¹ (Ehlers, Ellis, Hawking, ...)
- Schematically:
 - ▶ Introduce a preferred timelike congruence: u^a
 - ▶ Project onto surfaces orthogonal to fluid flow

$$h_{ab} = g_{ab} + u_a u_b$$

- 1+3 variables are physically and geometrically meaningful.
- System of 1+3 equations:
 - ▶ Algebraic constraints on R_{ab} via EFE:

$$R_{ab} = \kappa \left(T_{ab} - \frac{1}{2} T g_{ab} \right) + \Lambda g_{ab}$$

- ▶ Ricci identities applied to u^a

$$2\nabla_{[a} \nabla_{b]} u_c = R_{abcd} u^d \leftrightarrow \text{Kinematic evolution}$$

- ▶ Twice contracted Bianchi identities:

$$\nabla_b T^{ab} = 0 \leftrightarrow \text{Conservation equations}$$

- ▶ Bianchi identities:

$$\nabla_{[a} R_{bc]de} = 0 \leftrightarrow \text{Evolution of Weyl curvature}$$

¹Indices here are defined as $a, b, \dots \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$.

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Kinematics

- Derivatives:

$$\dot{T}^{ab\dots c}_{de\dots f} = u^k \nabla_k T^{ab\dots c}_{de\dots f}$$
$$D_g T^{ab\dots c}_{de\dots f} = h^a_i h^b_j \dots h^c_k h^l_d h^m_e \dots h^n_f h^r_g \nabla_r T^{ij\dots k}_{lm\dots n}$$

- Kinematics:

$$\nabla_a u_b = \underbrace{-u_a \dot{u}_b}_{\text{Acceleration}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{3} \Theta h_{ab}}_{\text{Expansion}} + \underbrace{\sigma_{ab}}_{\text{Shear}} + \underbrace{\omega_{ab}}_{\text{Vorticity}}$$

- Energy-Momentum:

$$T_{ab} = \underbrace{\mu u_a u_b}_{\text{Energy Density}} + \underbrace{p h_{ab}}_{\text{Isotropic Pressure}} + \underbrace{2q_{(a} u_{b)}}_{\text{Momentum Flux}} + \underbrace{\pi_{ab}}_{\text{Anisotropic Pressure}}$$

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Why 1+3 Formalism?

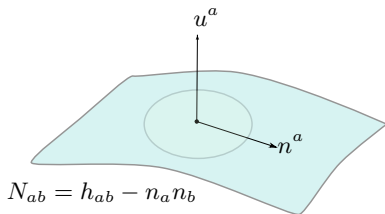
- 3-surfaces of homogeneity \rightarrow System of ODEs involving scalar quantities
- Inhomogeneity \rightarrow Breaks this simple structure
- Non-zero vectors and tensors \rightarrow coupling terms!
- We can recover the simple structure by introducing another vector field ...

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Geometrical Picture

- Introduce spacelike congruence $n^a \rightarrow$ further split of $1 + 3$ equations²
- Projection tensor onto 2-sheets orthogonal to u^a and n^a : $N_{ab} = h_{ab} - n_a n_b$

1+1+2 Splitting of Spacetime



- All spacetime objects can be split into:
 - ▶ Scalars
 - ▶ 2-Vectors in the sheet
 - ▶ Transverse-Traceless 2-tensors in the sheet
- Supplement 1+3 equations with Ricci identity applied to n^a

$$R_{abc} \equiv 2\nabla_{[a}\nabla_{b]}n_c - R_{abcd}n^d = 0$$

²Clarkson and Barret, (2003), CQG, 20, 3855

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Splitting Spacetime *Again*

- Example: Decomposition of 3-Vectors:

$$\psi_a = \Psi n^a + \Psi^a$$

- Term parallel to n^a
- Term lying in sheet orthogonal to u^a and n^a

- New Derivatives:

$$\hat{\psi}_{a\dots b} = n^e D_e \psi_{a\dots b}$$

$$\delta_e \psi_{a\dots b} = N_e^j N_a^f \dots N_b^g D_j \psi_{f\dots g}$$

- Kinematics of spacelike congruence:

$$D_a n_b = \underbrace{n_a a_b}_{\text{Acceleration}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \phi N_{ab}}_{\text{Expansion}} + \underbrace{\zeta_{ab}}_{\text{Shear}} + \underbrace{\xi \eta_{ab}}_{\text{Vorticity}}$$

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The Variables

A Useful Dictionary...

Θ	Expansion of u^a
a^a	Sheet Acceleration
ϕ	Sheet Expansion
ξ	Rotation of $n^a \rightarrow$ Twisting of Sheet
ζ_{ab}	Shear of $n^a \rightarrow$ Distortion of Sheet
\mathcal{A}	Radial component of acceleration of u^a
\mathcal{A}^a	Acceleration of u^a lying in the sheet orthogonal to n^a
α^a	Acceleration of n^a
$\{\mathcal{E}, \mathcal{E}_a, \mathcal{E}_{ab}\}$	Projections of Electric Weyl Tensor E_{ab}
$\{\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H}_a, \mathcal{H}_{ab}\}$	Projections of Magnetic Weyl Tensor H_{ab}
$\{\Sigma, \Sigma_a, \Sigma_{ab}\}$	Projections of Shear Tensor σ_{ab}
$\{\Omega, \Omega_a\}$	Projections of Vorticity Vector ω^a

Plus 1+1+2 generalisations of the 1+3 Energy-Momentum variables...

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Schwarzschild Spacetime: Background

- Schwarzschild covariantly characterised by

$$\mathbf{X} = \{\mathcal{E}, \phi, \mathcal{A}\}$$

$$\hat{\mathcal{E}} = -\frac{3}{2}\phi\mathcal{E} \quad \hat{\phi} = -\frac{1}{2}\phi^2 - \mathcal{E} \quad \mathcal{E} = -\mathcal{A}\phi$$

- Can relate 1+1+2 variables to metric functions

$$\mathcal{E} = -\frac{2m}{r^3}$$

$$\mathcal{A} = \frac{m}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1/2}$$

$$\phi = \frac{2}{r} \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{1/2}$$

- Misner-Sharp mass³: $M_{\text{MS}} = \frac{r}{2} \left[1 - \frac{r^2}{4}\phi^2\right]$

³Apparent horizon at $r = 2m$, $H = \dot{\phi} \rightarrow 0$ at $r = 2m$

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Schwarzschild Spacetime: Perturbations

- Linear perturbations: $g_{ab} = g_{ab}^{(0)} + g_{ab}^{(1)}$
- Full system of 1+1+2 equations can be split into:

$$\text{Propagation Equations: } \hat{\mathcal{P}} = \dots$$

$$\text{Evolution Equations: } \dot{\mathcal{E}} = \dots$$

$$\text{Constraint Equations: } \mathcal{C} = 0$$

- Linearise all equations \rightarrow Discard terms $\mathcal{O}[2]$ and higher
- Use spherical symmetry to construct gauge-invariant quantities:

$$\Psi_a = \delta_a \mathbf{X} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Psi_a = \{X_a = \delta_a \mathcal{E}, Y_a = \delta_a \phi, Z_a = \delta_a \mathcal{A}\}$$

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Master Equations

Recipe for deriving a master equation for gravitational perturbations:

- 1) Find complete set of gauge-invariant perturbations:

$$\Psi_a = \delta_a \mathbf{X}$$

$$\chi_a = (\mathcal{E}_a, a_a, \dots)$$

$$\chi_{ab} = (\mathcal{E}_{ab}, \zeta_{ab}, \dots)$$

- 2) Re-write linearised 1+1+2 equations in terms of gauge-invariant perturbations
- 3) Harmonic analysis \rightarrow Two parities can be introduced, e.g.

$$\chi_{ab} = \chi_T Q_{ab} + \bar{\chi}_T \bar{Q}_{ab}$$

- 4) System of harmonic equations linear in perturbation variables Φ and $\bar{\Phi}$

$$\gamma \dot{\Phi} + \lambda \hat{\Phi} = \Gamma \Phi$$

- 5) D.o.f. governed by reduced set of frame independent master variables \rightarrow Tough

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Master Equations: Regge-Wheeler Tensor

- Covariant Regge-Wheeler Tensor:

$$W_{\{ab\}} = \frac{1}{2} \phi r^2 \zeta_{ab} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{r}{\mathcal{E}} \delta_{\{a} X_{b\}}$$

- Obeys a closed covariant wave equation:⁴⁵

$$\ddot{W}_{\{ab\}} - \hat{W}_{\{ab\}} - \mathcal{A} \hat{W}_{\{ab\}} + (\phi^2 - \mathcal{E}) W_{\{ab\}} - \delta^2 W_{\{ab\}} = 0$$

- Valid for both parities $\{W_T, \bar{W}_T\}$
- Introduce tortoise coordinates: $r_* = r + 2m \ln \left(\frac{r}{2m} - 1 \right)$
- Wave equation reduces to $(\psi = \bar{W}_T)$

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \sigma^2 \right) \psi = V \psi$$

$$V = V_{RW} = \frac{(r - 2m)}{r^4} [\ell(\ell + 1)r - 6m]$$

⁴Clarkson and Barret, (2003), CQG, 20, 3855

⁵Pratten, (2014), CQG 31, 3, 038001

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Master Equations: Weyl Terms

- Can find a master variable from magnetic Weyl scalar

$$\mathcal{V}_{\{ab\}} = r^2 \delta_{\{a} \delta_{b\}} \mathcal{H}$$

- Obeys a closed, covariant wave equation:⁶

$$\ddot{\mathcal{V}}_{\{ab\}} - \hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\{ab\}} - (\mathcal{A} + 3\phi) \hat{\mathcal{V}}_{\{ab\}} - [\delta^2 + 2K] \mathcal{V}_{\{ab\}} = 0$$

- \mathcal{V} is purely an axial variable.
- Rescale $\mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{P} = r^3 \mathcal{V}$ and introduce Tortoise coordinates
- Wave equation reduces to ($\psi = \bar{\mathcal{P}}_T$)

$$\left(\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \sigma^2 \right) \psi = V \psi$$
$$V = V_{RW} = \frac{(r - 2m)}{r^4} [\ell(\ell + 1)r - 6m]$$

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Master Equations: Weyl Terms

- Define a master variable from electric and magnetic Weyl 2-tensors

Master Variable

$$\mathcal{J}_{\{ab\}}^{\pm} = \mathcal{E}_{\{ab\}} \pm \epsilon_{c\{a} \mathcal{H}_{b\}}{}^c$$

- Obeys a closed covariant wave equation:⁷

Master Equation

$$\ddot{\mathcal{J}}_{\{ab\}}^{\pm} - \hat{\mathcal{J}}_{\{ab\}}^{\pm} - (\mathcal{A} + 3\phi) \dot{\mathcal{J}}_{\{ab\}}^{\pm} \mp (4\mathcal{A} - 2\phi) \dot{\mathcal{J}}_{\{ab\}}^{\pm} - [\delta^2 + 2K - 4\mathcal{A}^2 + 4\mathcal{E}] \mathcal{J}_{\{ab\}}^{\pm} = 0$$

- Satisfied for both polar and axial sectors $\{\mathcal{J}_T^{\pm}, \bar{\mathcal{J}}_T^{\pm}\}$

⁷arXiv:1503.03435

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Correspondence with NP and 2+2

- Can relate to the NP formalism

$$l_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (u_a + n_a) \quad k_a = (u_a - n_a) \quad m_a = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (v_a - iw_a)$$
$$g_{ab} = -l_a k_b - k_a l_b + 2m_{(a} \bar{m}_{b)}.$$

- NP Weyl scalars:

$$\Psi_0 = \left[\mathcal{E}_{ab} + \epsilon_{r\{a} \mathcal{H}_{b\}}{}^r \right] m^a m^b,$$

$$\Psi_2 = \frac{1}{2} [\mathcal{E} - i\mathcal{H}],$$

$$\Psi_4 = \left[\mathcal{E}_{ab} - \epsilon_{r\{a} \mathcal{H}_{b\}}{}^r \right] \bar{m}^a \bar{m}^b \sim -\ddot{h}_+ + \ddot{h}_\times.$$

- Naturally identify \mathcal{H} with $\Im[\Psi_2] \rightarrow$ Agreement with Price⁸ that this is a RW variable

⁸Price, PRD 5 (1972) 2419

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Correspondence with NP and 2+2

- Can relate to the 2+2 formalism

$$ds^2 = g_{AB}(x^C) dx^A dx^B + r^2(x^C) \gamma_{ab} dx^a dx^b,$$
$$h_{AB} = (\chi + \varphi) (n_A n_B + u_A u_B) + \varsigma (u_A n_B + n_A u_B).$$

- Master equation for metric gauge-invariants

$$\begin{aligned} -\ddot{\chi} + \chi'' &= \mathcal{S}_\chi, \\ -\ddot{\varphi} &= \mathcal{S}_\varphi, \\ -\dot{\varsigma} &= 2\nu(\chi + \varphi) + \chi'. \end{aligned}$$

- Can show that:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{ab} &= -\frac{1}{2} (\chi + \varphi) Y_{ab}, \\ \mathcal{H}_{ab} &= -\frac{1}{2} \varsigma Y_{ab}. \end{aligned}$$

Application to Scalar-Tensor Theories

Scalar-Tensor Theories

- Similarly, consider a more general scalar-tensor theory:

$$S_{st} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\varphi R - \frac{\omega(\varphi)}{\varphi} \nabla^a \varphi \nabla_a \varphi - V(\varphi) + \mathcal{L}_m(g_{ab}, \psi_m) \right]$$

- Resulting field equations can be re-cast in the form:

$$G_{ab} = \frac{\omega(\varphi)}{\varphi} \left[\nabla_a \varphi \nabla_b \varphi - \frac{1}{2} g_{ab} \nabla^c \varphi \nabla_c \varphi \right] + \frac{1}{\varphi} [\nabla_a \nabla_b \varphi - g_{ab} \square_g \varphi] - \frac{V(\varphi)}{2\varphi} g_{ab},$$
$$(2\omega(\varphi) + 3) \square_g \varphi = -\omega'(\varphi) \nabla^c \varphi \nabla_c \varphi + \varphi V'(\varphi) - 2V(\varphi).$$

- No hair theorem demands⁹:

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi &\rightarrow \varphi_0, \\ \omega(\varphi) &\rightarrow \omega(\varphi_0), \\ V(\varphi) &\rightarrow V(\varphi_0) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

⁹Sotiriou and Faraoni, PRL, 108 (2012) 081103.

Scalar-Tensor Theories

- Effective curvature tensor:

$$T_{ab}^{\varphi} = \frac{\omega(\varphi)}{\varphi^2} \left[\nabla_a \varphi \nabla_b \varphi - \frac{1}{2} g_{ab} \nabla^c \varphi \nabla_c \varphi \right] + \frac{1}{\varphi} \left[\nabla_a \nabla_b \varphi - g_{ab} \square_g \varphi \right] - \frac{V(\varphi)}{2\varphi} g_{ab}$$

- Energy-Momentum variables:

$$\mu^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{\varphi_0} \left[\hat{\varphi} + \phi \hat{\varphi} + \delta^2 \varphi + \frac{1}{2} V(\varphi) \right],$$

$$p^{\varphi} = \frac{1}{\varphi_0} \left[\ddot{\varphi} - \frac{2}{3} \hat{\varphi} - \frac{2}{3} \phi \hat{\varphi} - \mathcal{A} \hat{\varphi} - \frac{2}{3} \delta^2 \varphi - \frac{1}{2} V(\varphi) \right],$$

...

- Scalar wave equation - these modes are not present in GR

$$-\ddot{\varphi} + \hat{\varphi} + (\mathcal{A} + \phi) \hat{\varphi} + \delta^2 \varphi = \frac{1}{2\omega(\varphi) + 3} \left[\varphi_0 V'(\varphi) - 2V(\varphi) \right] \quad (1)$$

- Recover $f(R)$ for $\varphi = f'(R)$, $\omega(\varphi) = 0$ and $V(\varphi) = Rf'(R) - f(R)$

Scalar-Tensor Theories

- Can show that the Regge-Wheeler tensor in this class of theories is:

$$W_{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \phi r^2 \zeta_{ab} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{r^2}{\mathcal{E}} \delta_{\{a} X_{b\}} + \frac{1}{3\varphi_0} r^2 \delta_{\{a} \delta_{b\}} \varphi$$

- No-hair theorem \rightarrow Restricts field configurations
- Linear order \rightarrow scalar modes decouple from gravitational perturbations
- More general scalar-tensor theories \rightarrow No hair? Stability? Ugly expressions!
- Second order? Expected to be suppressed in simple ST theories
- Matter content? Electrovacuum perturbations?