

2nd exercise sheet on Relativity and Cosmology II

Summer term 2014

Deadline for delivery: Thursday, 24th April 2014 at the end of the lecture,
since there will be **no** exercise class on 23rd April.

Exercise 2 (10 credit points): *ADM energy*

Assume that the metric of a certain spacetime can be written as $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$, where $h_{\mu\nu}$ are functions that vanish at infinity. In this case the total energy of the system is given by the surface integral

$$E = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int \sum_{i,j} (g_{ij,j} - g_{jj,i}) d^2S_i,$$

which has to be taken over a surface far away from any mass distribution. The Latin indices denote spatial coordinates. Calculate this so-called ADM energy for the Schwarzschild metric.

Hint: The calculation is most easily done in isotropic coordinates, cf. exercise 32 from last semester's course.

Exercise 3 (5 credit points): *Redshift and conserved quantities in the Schwarzschild spacetime*

3.1 Consider a stationary* observer \mathcal{A} at $r = R$, $R \geq 2M$ in the Schwarzschild spacetime of mass M and an observer \mathcal{B} at infinity. The timelike Killing vector shall be denoted by $\zeta^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$. Furthermore, we define the quantity $V^2 := -\zeta_\mu \zeta^\mu$. Observer \mathcal{A} emits energy with frequency ω_R (measured in his rest frame) which is measured by observer \mathcal{B} as being ω_∞ .

- Express the four-velocity u^μ of observer \mathcal{A} in terms of ζ^μ and V and use this to derive the relation between the frequencies ω_R and ω_∞ .
- What does observer \mathcal{B} measure when observer \mathcal{A} reaches the Schwarzschild radius $r = 2M$? What does this mean for the redshift?

3.2 When discussing the movement of particles in the Schwarzschild spacetime, it was shown that the angular momentum

$$\ell := r^2 \sin^2(\vartheta) \frac{d\varphi}{ds}$$

is a conserved quantity. Derive this result from the existence of a Killing vector $\eta^\mu = (0, 0, 0, 1)$, where the last component corresponds to the φ -component.

Exercise 4 (5 credit points): *Time dilation in the Schwarzschild spacetime*

Show that the proper time $d\tau$ on a circular geodesic in the Schwarzschild geometry of mass M obeys the relation:

$$d\tau = \sqrt{1 - \frac{3M}{r}} dt.$$

Use this to give an estimate for the time dilation of a satellite flying in a low orbit around the Earth.

*A *stationary* observer is an observer in a stationary spacetime whose 4-velocity u^μ is proportional to the given timelike Killing vector.