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# Aim of my talk

- To present a different perspective on the Schwarzschild metric:
  - The gravitational field of a **point mass**

 Problem of multiplication of distributions Gravity: nonlinear theory Distributions: linear functionals Literature I: Products of "Distributions"

- Schwarz (1951): theorem of the impossibility of the multiplication of distributions
- Colombeau (1984): Colombeau algebra embedding generalized functions via convolution with smooth "mollifiers"
- Kleinert (2000): Definition of special products of distributions by claiming general coordinate invariance of path integrals

## Literature II: "Distributions" in GR

- Geroch and Traschen (1987): defined a class of metrics which can be treated with distributional methods
- Regularization techniques (1990s) (e.g. Balasin and Nachbagauer (1993))
- Heinzle and Steinbauer (2002) studied the Schwarzschild metric with Colombeau's theory of generalized functions

 $\rightarrow$  only possible in Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates

## Content

- Theory of Gravitation
- Schwarzschild Metric
- Analogy to Electrostatics: Schwarzschild metric → point mass
- Perturbative approach:
   Point mass → Schwarzschild metric
- Conclusion

## Theory of Gravitation

• General coordinate invariance:

 $x^{\mu} \to x'^{\mu} \left( x^{\nu} \right)$ 

 $\rightarrow$  Transformation of the metric:

$$g_{\mu\nu} \to g'_{\mu\nu} = \frac{\partial x^{\kappa}}{\partial x'^{\mu}} \frac{\partial x^{\lambda}}{\partial x'^{\nu}} g_{\kappa\lambda}$$

 $\rightarrow$  Christoffel symbols, covariant derivative...

## Theory of Gravitation

- Idea:
  - Masses deform space-time
  - curvature causes forces
- Einstein equation:  $G_{\mu\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu\nu}$

describes the deformation of space-time

 $G_{\mu\nu}$ : Einstein tensor (nonlinear in the metric)

 $T_{\mu\nu}$  : stress-energy-tensor (contains mass density)

 $\kappa = 8\pi G_N/c^4$ : gravitational constant

#### **Point Mass**

• Stress-energy tensor of a point-mass at rest:

• Einstein Equation:  $G_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa M c^2 \delta_{\mu}{}^t \delta^{\nu}{}_t \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x})$ 

#### Schwarzschild Metric

#### • Birkhoff's Theorem:

The Schwarzschild metric is the only nontrivial solution of the **vacuum** Einstein Equation:

$$G_{\mu}^{\ \nu} = \kappa T_{\mu}^{\ \nu} = 0$$

of a spherically symmetric space-time.

• The line element is given by:

$$ds^{2} = \left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)c^{2}dt^{2} - \left(1 - \frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)^{-1}dr^{2} - r^{2}d\Omega^{2}$$
  
with:  $r_{s} \equiv \frac{2G_{N}M}{c^{2}}$ 

#### Schwarzschild Metric

Usual treatment:

cut out the point r=0 of manifold



 $\rightarrow$  need not care about the divergency

#### Electrostatics

- Field of a positive point charge:  $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{e}{4\pi r^3}\mathbf{r}$ diverges at the origin
- Charge density:
  - via distributional interpretation  $\rho(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = e\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x})$
  - or by applying Gauss' theorem:

$$Q = \int_{r < \rho} d^3 x \ \rho(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{r < \rho} d^3 x \ \nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x})$$
$$= \int_{r = \rho} d^2 \mathbf{S} \ \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = e$$



#### Electrostatic — Gravitystatic

Electric field becomes metric field

 $\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) \to g_{\mu\nu}$ 

Maxwell equation becomes Einstein equation

$$\nabla \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}) = e\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) \quad \to \quad G_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa M c^2 \delta_{\mu}{}^t \delta^{\nu}{}_t \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x})$$

#### • Corollary:

A spherically symmetric static space-time which obeys  $G_t^{\ t} = G_r^{\ r}$  is described by the following line element:

$$ds^{2} = B(r)c^{2}dt^{2} - B(r)^{-1}dr^{2} - r^{2}d\Omega^{2}$$

Its Einstein tensor is given by:

$$G_t^{\ t} = G_r^{\ r} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}r} \left[ r - rB(r) \right]$$
$$G_\theta^{\ \theta} = G_\phi^{\ \phi} = -\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}r} \left[ \frac{1}{2} r^2 B'(r) \right]$$

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• See mass in  $G_t$  with Gauss' theorem

 $\kappa c$ 

$$M_{\rho} = \frac{1}{\kappa c^{2}} \int_{r < \rho} d^{3}x \ G_{t}^{t}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\kappa c^{2}} \int_{r < \rho} d^{3}x \ \frac{1}{r^{2}} \frac{d}{dr} [r - rB(r)] \qquad \text{with:}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\kappa c^{2}} \int_{r < \rho} d^{3}x \ \nabla \{\mathbf{e}_{r} \frac{1}{r} [1 - B(r)]\} \qquad B(\rho) = 1 - \frac{r_{s}}{\rho}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\kappa c^{2}} \int_{r = \rho} dS \ \frac{1}{r} [1 - B(r)] \qquad r_{s} = \frac{\kappa M c^{2}}{4\pi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\kappa c^{2}} \rho [1 - B(\rho)] = M \qquad -14 - 14$$

• Solution in spherical coordinates:

$$G_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa \begin{pmatrix} Mc^{2}\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Mc^{2}\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2}Mc^{2}\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2}Mc^{2}\delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x}) \end{pmatrix}_{\mu}$$

• Change to Cartesian coordinates:

This gives the expected stress-energy tensor of a point mass



• Einstein equation for a point mass:

$$G_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa T_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa M c^2 \delta_{\mu}{}^t \delta^{\nu}{}_t \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x})$$

- Expand metric around the flat space-time:  $g_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x})$
- Inverse metric:

$$g^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} - h^{\mu\nu} + h^{\mu}{}_{\sigma}h^{\sigma\nu} - h^{\mu}{}_{\sigma}h^{\sigma}{}_{\rho}h^{\rho\nu} + \cdots$$

• Calculate Einstein tensor in order by order in  $h_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x})$  $G_{\mu}^{\ \nu} = G^{(1)}_{\ \mu}^{\ \nu} + G^{(2)}_{\ \mu}^{\ \nu} + \cdots - 17 -$ 



• Solve differential equations:  $G^{(1)}{}_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \kappa M c^2 \delta_{\mu}{}^t \delta^{\nu}{}_t \delta^{(3)}(\mathbf{x})$ 

$$G^{(2)}{}_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = 0$$

• Obtain expansion of Schwarzschild metric in Schwarzschild coordinates order by order:

$$ds^{2} = ds_{flat}^{2} + \frac{r_{s}}{r} \left(c^{2} dt^{2} - dr^{2}\right) - \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left(\frac{r_{s}}{r}\right)^{n} dr^{2}$$

• But: convergence radius of geometric series is  $r_s$  $\rightarrow$  no prediction for the origin  $_{-18-}$ 



- Einstein tensor to first order in  $h_{\mu\nu}$ :  $G^{(1)}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu\kappa} h_{\nu}{}^{\kappa} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\nu\kappa} h_{\mu}{}^{\kappa} - \frac{1}{2} \partial^{2} h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu\nu} h$   $- \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} \partial^{\kappa\lambda} h_{\kappa\lambda} + \frac{1}{2} \eta_{\mu\nu} \partial^{2} h$
- Gauge freedom of linear gravity:

$$h_{\mu\nu} \to h'_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} + \partial_{\mu}\Lambda_{\nu} + \partial_{\nu}\Lambda_{\mu}$$
$$G^{(1)}_{\mu\nu} \to G'^{(1)}_{\mu\nu} = G^{(1)}_{\mu\nu}$$

- $\Lambda_{\mu}$ : arbitrary vector field
- $\rightarrow$  Gauge invariance broken in 2<sup>nd</sup> order <sup>-19-</sup>



 Solve linear Einstein equation in (d >3) dimensions:

$$h_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \left(\frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r}\right)^{d-2} \times \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{d-2} & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots\\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{d-2} \end{pmatrix}_{\mu}^{\nu} \\ + \partial_{\mu}\Lambda^{\nu} + \partial^{\nu}\Lambda_{\mu}$$



• Find an appropriate gauge field:

$$\Lambda_0 = \pm \frac{r}{d-3} \left(\frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r}\right)^{d-2} \quad \Lambda_i = \frac{q^i}{2} \frac{1}{d-2} \left(\frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r}\right)^{d-2}$$

• Derivative of :

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_i \Lambda_j &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r} \right)^{d-2} \left( \frac{\delta^{ij}}{d-2} - \frac{q^i q^j}{r^2} \right) & \text{with:} \\ i &= 1, 2, \cdots, d \\ \partial_i \Lambda_0 &= \mp \left( \frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r} \right)^{d-2} \frac{x_i}{r} & \\ \partial_0 \Lambda_\mu &= 0 & -21 - \end{aligned}$$



 Get the full Schwarzschild solution in Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates:

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \left(\frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r}\right)^{d-2} \times \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{d-2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & -\frac{1}{d-2} \end{pmatrix}_{\mu\nu} + \partial_{\mu}\Lambda_{\nu} + \partial_{\nu}\Lambda_{\mu}$$
$$= \left(\frac{r_s^{(D)}}{r}\right)^{d-2} \times \begin{pmatrix} -1 & \mp \frac{q^1}{r} & \mp \frac{q^2}{r} & \cdots & \mp \frac{q^d}{r} \\ \mp \frac{q^1}{r} & -\frac{(q^1)^2}{r^2} & -\frac{q^1q^2}{r^2} & \cdots & -\frac{q^1q^d}{r^2} \\ \mp \frac{q^2}{r} & -\frac{q^1q^2}{r^2} & -\frac{(q^2)^2}{r^2} & \cdots & -\frac{q^2q^d}{r^2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \mp \frac{q^d}{r} & -\frac{q^1q^d}{r^2} & -\frac{q^2q^d}{r^2} & \cdots & -\frac{(q^d)^2}{r^2} \end{pmatrix}_{\mu\nu}$$

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## Conclusion

- Problem solved with Colombeau algebra But only in Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates
- Regularization independent technique to see mass in Schwarzschild metric
- Perturbative approach: Gauge 1<sup>st</sup> order solution → Schwarzschild metric in Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates
- Motovation for gauge via calculation in d>3 dimensions

## Conclusion

- Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates are the natural coordinates of a point mass
  - Results from the perturbative study of the Einstein equation
  - Only this choice of coordinates could be treated by Colombeau's theory of generalized functions
- Different coordinates of the Schwarzschild metric describe different space-times since coordinate transformations diverge at  $r_s$

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## Appendix Closing the manifold

- Origin of coordinates is cut out
- Coordinate invariance
  - $\rightarrow$  Infinity of different possibilities
- But: Which differentiable structure?
- Choose the simplest/most physical one



## Appendix Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates

• Line element given by:

$$ds^{2} = dt_{\pm}^{2} - dr^{2} - \frac{r_{s}}{r} \left(dr \pm dt_{\pm}\right)^{2} - r^{2} d\Omega^{2}$$

• Transformation from Schwarzschild to Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates:

$$t \to t_{\pm} = ct \pm r_s \log \left| 1 - \frac{r}{r_s} \right|$$

## Appendix Eddington-Finkelstein coordinates



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#### Appendix Kruskal coordinates



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## Appendix Distributional calculation

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$$\int d^3x \ G_t{}^t \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \int d^3x \ \nabla[\mathbf{e}_r f(\mathbf{x})] \phi(\mathbf{x})$$
$$= -\int d^3x \ f(\mathbf{x}) \ (\mathbf{e}_r \nabla) \ \phi(\mathbf{x})$$
$$= -4\pi \int_0^\infty dr \ r^2 f(\mathbf{x}) \ \partial_r S_{\Phi}(r)$$
$$= -4\pi r_s \int_0^\infty dr \ \partial_r S_{\Phi}(r)$$
$$= 4\pi r_s \Phi(0)$$
$$f(\mathbf{x}) := \frac{1}{r} [1 - B(r)] = \frac{r_s}{r^2}$$
$$S_{\Phi}(r) := \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^\pi d\theta \int_0^{2\pi} d\phi \sin \theta \ \Phi(\mathbf{x})$$