

Lecture 1: The black hole as a tale of light and darkness

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• General Relativity: a geometric Theory of relativistic gravitation

Basic elements:

Metric $ds^2 = g_{ij}(x) dx^i dx^j$

Coord Trafos: $x^i \rightarrow x^i(x^j)$ change the metric.
(diffeos)

Infinitesimal: $x^i \rightarrow x^i + \varepsilon v^i(x)$ $\varepsilon \ll 1$

$$g_{ij} \rightarrow g_{ij} + \varepsilon (\partial_i v_j + \partial_j v_i)$$

$$\partial_i \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$$

but physical effects must not change under diff.

Tensors:

$$T = T^{i_1 \dots i_n}_{j_1 \dots j_m} \partial_{i_1} \otimes \partial_{i_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \partial_{i_n} \otimes \partial_{j_1} \otimes \partial_{j_2} \otimes \dots : \text{diff invariant}$$

$T^{i_1 \dots i_n}_{j_1 \dots j_m}$ are covariant objects

Curvature Tensor:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Riemann } R^i_{jkl} \\ \text{Ricci } R_{ij} = R^k_{ikj} \\ \text{Scalar curvature } R = R^i_{ii} \end{array} \right\} \sim g^{-1} \partial^2 g$$

Einstein equations:

$$R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} R = 8\pi \frac{G}{c^2} T_{ij}$$

Geometry

Matter

Relativistic Gravity } $\{ G$ and c allow to connect (transform)
matter and geometry

$$\text{Curvature} = \frac{G}{c^2} \text{ Mass density}$$

(R here is curvature
radius
 \sim system size) $\frac{1}{R^2} \sim \frac{G}{c^2} \frac{M}{R^3} \Rightarrow R \sim \frac{GM}{c^2}$

Mass can be measured in meters

$$1 \text{ kg} \sim 10^{-29} \text{ m}$$

Your weight $\sim 10^{-27} \text{ m} \ll$ your physical size

\Rightarrow You're not very attractive

Vacuum equations : $R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} R = 0$

$$\Leftrightarrow R_{ij} = 0$$

• The Schwarzschild solution (Dec 1915)

Simples non-trivial solution :

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{r_0}{r}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{r^2} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

$$ds^2 = -\left(1 - \frac{r_0}{r}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{r_0}{r}} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

(c=1)

- Indep of t : static

- Spherically symmetric

- Length parameter r_0 :

Newtonian limit: $-g_{tt} \approx 1 + 2\Phi_N$, $|\Phi_N| \ll 1$

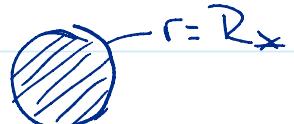
Newtonian potential of localized mass source M :

$$\Phi_N = -\frac{GM}{r} \Rightarrow r_0 = 2GM$$

$$\text{Restoring } c: r_0 = 2 \frac{G}{c^2} M$$

as anticipated above

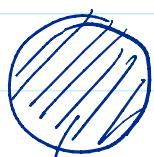
- Star (spherical, static)



Exterior: $R_{ij} = 0 \Rightarrow r > R_*$: Schwarzschild metric

Interior: $R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} g_{ij} R = 8\pi G T_{ij} \rightarrow$ star matter

Model-dependent metric



Schw metric

"Interior metric"

The Horizon

- Consider no matter anywhere:

$$(G_1 = c = 1)$$

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{1 - \frac{2M}{r}} + r^2 d\Omega_2$$

Metric is singular, as a matrix, at $r = 2M$

But metric changes w/ diff. r .

non-singular
 metric:
 g_{ij} finite
 $\det(g_{ij})$ finite
 (invertible)

Let's shine light:

ingoing radial light rays:

θ, ϕ constant

$$ds^2 = 0 \Rightarrow dt^2 = \frac{dr^2}{\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right)^2}$$

$$dt = -\frac{dr}{\left|1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right|}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = -r_* + \text{constant}$$

$$\text{where } dr_* = \frac{dr}{\left|1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right|}$$

$$r_* = r + 2M \log|r - 2M| \quad (\text{"Tortoise coord"})$$

$$\text{Note: } r_* \rightarrow r \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } r \rightarrow \infty$$

$$r_* \rightarrow -\infty \quad \text{as } r \rightarrow 2M$$

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$$\sigma = t + r_* = \text{constant}$$

As $r \rightarrow 2M$ along a light ray, $t \rightarrow +\infty$

But t is a coordinate whose meaning is clear near ∞ , less so at smaller r .

We may choose σ as coordinate, adapted to ingoing light rays, instead of t .

i.e. change $(t, r) \rightarrow (\sigma, r)$

$$dt = d\sigma - dr_* = d\sigma - \frac{dr}{1 - \frac{2M}{r}}$$

$$ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) d\sigma^2 + 2d\sigma dr + r^2 d\Omega_2$$

$$(g_{ij}) : \begin{pmatrix} -\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & r^2 d\Omega_2 \end{pmatrix} : \begin{array}{l} \text{non-singular} \\ \text{at } r=2M \end{array}$$

$$g_{\sigma\sigma} = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} : \text{finite}$$

$$\det g_{ij} : -2 r^2 \sin^2 \theta : \text{finite}$$

Ingoing light rays encounter $r=2M$ as a smooth place.

Analyze all radial light rays:

$$1 = \frac{dr}{r} \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) d\sigma^2 = 2d\sigma dr$$

$$ds^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) du^2 = 2dr$$

$$\Rightarrow u = \text{const} \quad : \text{ingoing}$$

$$r = 2M \quad : \text{constant radius}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) du = 2dr \Rightarrow u = 2r_* + \text{const} : \text{outgoing}$$

