

# Lecture 15: Schwarzschild Spacetime + Black Holes 1

Note Title

Review of Perspective: (Important conceptual stocktaking)

(A) Starting pt: Manifold w/ local flat (free fall) coordinates, global coordinate systems, and a coordinate transformation b/w the two.

(B) Next Issues: - derive  $g_{\mu\nu}$  by coordinate trans. on physical distances

(connections, metrics, parallel transport)

- derive  $\Gamma^{\alpha}_{\rho\sigma}$  via the geodesic equation by transforming the equations of motion

- define parallel transport by keeping angles of vector field + tangent vector to curve fixed. This defines a covariant derivative  $\frac{D}{d\tau}$

(C) Curvature, Curvature tensor

- Ask when  $g_{\mu\nu}$  is Minkowski, and answer by asking when the connecting vector b/w 2 geodesics has vanishing acceleration.

- From  $\frac{D^2 v^M}{DT^2} = 0$ , get  $R^M{}_{\nu\rho} = 0$  for Minkowski Spacetime

(D) Einstein Field Equation

- Based on need to use tensors & have a 2nd order differential equation, we get the Einstein Eqn.

(E) Solutions to EFE

(1) Minkowski space

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu}$$

(Trivial, flat + empty)

(2) -----

(3) -----

} what we study now.

The solution to the EFE is a metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$  that indicates the curvature + physical properties of the spacetime.

## Schwarzschild Solution

to  $R_{\mu\nu} = 0$  (Empty space -  $T_{\mu\nu} = 0$ )

$$G = c = 1$$

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

At  $r = 2m$ , there is a problem:  $ds^2$  is not defined!

So, what do the coordinates mean?

(1) Hold  $t, r$  constant ( $dr = dt = 0$ )

$$ds^2 \Rightarrow dL^2 = r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\phi^2)$$

- This is the line element of a sphere, so  $\theta, \phi$  are ordinary angles.

- The surface area of such a sphere would be  $\underline{4\pi r^2}$ .

So, is  $\underline{r}$  the "ordinary" radial coordinate?

(2) Hold  $t, \theta, \phi$  constant.

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

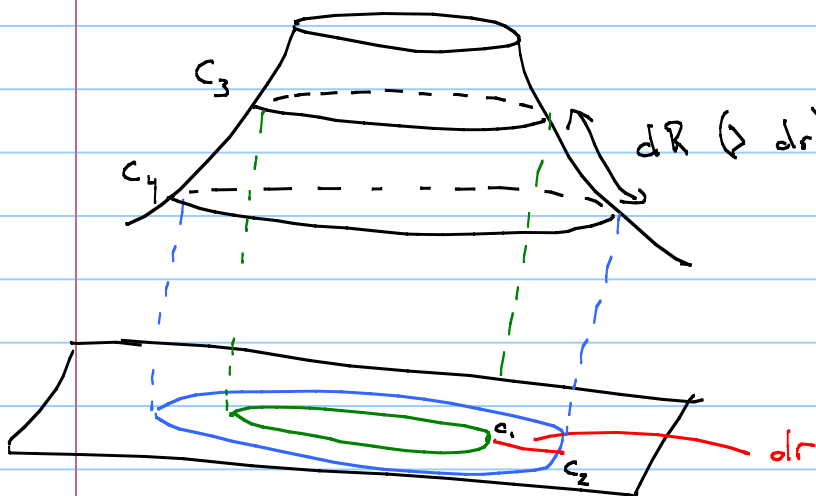
$$\Rightarrow dR = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1/2} dr$$

Physical  
radial  
distance

radial  
coordinate  
distance

$$dR > dr !$$

So  $r$  no longer measures the physical radial distance b/w concentric spheres b/c of the spacetime curvature.



Spheres of radius  $r_1$  &  $r_2$  in Schwarzschild & flat space. The distance b/w the spheres is larger in Schwarzschild b/c of spacetime curvature.

(3) Hold  $r, \theta, \phi$  constant.

Proper time  $d\tau$  - measured on clocks - is not equal to the coordinate time  $dt$ .

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) dt^2 \Rightarrow d\tau = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{1/2} dt$$

$(r > 2m)$ ,  $r$  fixed

The closer  $r$  is to  $2m$ , the longer  $dt$  is for a given  $d\tau$ .

(Deeper in field, clocks run slower.)

Let us consider the paths of light rays traveling radially between  $r_1$  +  $r_2$  ( $r_2 > r_1$ )

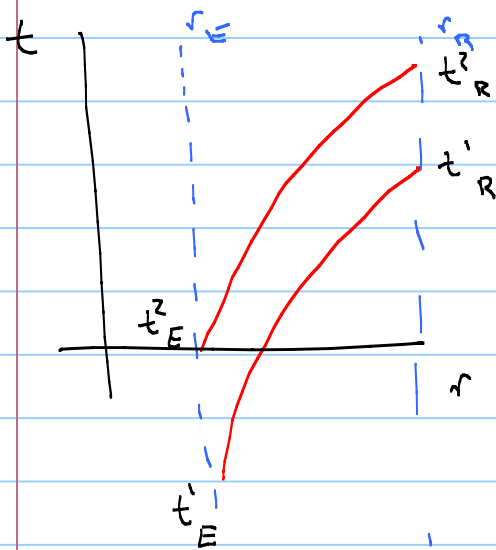
$$ds^2 = 0 = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right) dt^2 - \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2$$

property of light rays

$$dt^2 = \frac{dr^2}{\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r}\right)^2}$$
$$\int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{dr}{1 - \frac{2m}{r}}$$

$$t_2 - t_1 = \left( r + 2m \ln(r - 2m) \right) \Big|_{r_1}^{r_2}$$

Let a person at  $r_E$  send 2 light signals to a person at  $r_R$ . The sender emits the light at  $t_E^1$  &  $t_E^2$ . How much time elapses at  $r_R$  b/w these 2 signals?



$$\text{Now } t_R^1 - t_E^1 = t_R^2 - t_E^2$$

$$\text{So } t_E^2 - t_E^1 = t_R^2 - t_R^1$$

$$\text{or } \Delta t_E = \Delta t_R$$

the coordinate times

b/w pulses are the same.

Coordinate time is not physical time

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

$$\text{Let } r_R = \infty, \text{ then } \Delta \tau_R = \Delta t_R = \Delta t_E$$

But at emission location  $\Delta\tau_E = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r_E}\right)^{1/2} \Delta t_E$

$$\Delta\tau_E = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r_E}\right)^{1/2} \Delta\tau_R \quad \leftarrow \text{Relation b/w physical times}$$

$\Delta\tau_E < \Delta\tau_R$  ! So if 1s elapses b/w emission events, more than 1s will elapse b/w reception events.

In general 
$$\frac{\Delta\tau_R}{\Delta\tau_E} = \left[ \frac{1 - \frac{2m}{R_R}}{1 - \frac{2m}{R_E}} \right]^{1/2} = \left( \frac{g_{00}(r_R)}{g_{00}(r_E)} \right)^{1/2}$$

First note: Suppose we are at reception pt watching a pulsating atom whose local frequency is  $\nu = \frac{n}{\Delta t}$

If the atom is at  $r_E$ , an observer at  $r_E$  observes 
$$\nu_E = \frac{n}{\Delta t_E}$$

But we observer at  $r_R$  
$$\nu_R = \frac{n}{f \Delta t_E} = \frac{n}{\Delta\tau_R}$$

where  $f = \left( \frac{g_{00}(r_E)}{g_{00}(r_R)} \right)^{1/2}$ ,

The ratio of these 2 frequencies is

$$\frac{\nu_R}{\nu_E} = \left( \frac{g_{00}(r_E)}{g_{00}(r_R)} \right)^{1/2} < 1 \quad \text{if } r_E < r_R$$

The observed frequency (further out) is shorter,  
so the wavelength is longer, & the photon  
is redshifted!

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Second note: At  $r = 2m$ , it takes an infinitely long physical time for the light signal to reach you at large  $r$ . Also, photons are infinitely redshifted and can not be observed.

So, what is physically happening at  $r = 2m$ ?