

Spherical solutions for stars

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└ Introduction

- I will model stars using GR assuming spherical symmetry
- I will derive the Schwarzschild metric and T–O–V equation
- finally I will look into specific types of stars

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- First we need to derive our coordinate system



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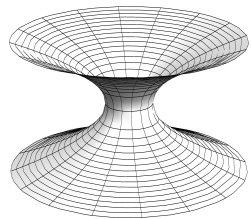
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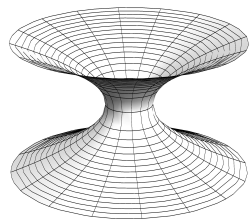
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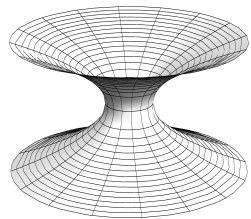
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- now consider not only surface of 2-sphere, but whole spacetime
- now we have some unknown g_{00} , g_{rr} , and cross term g_{0r}
- cross term g_{0r}
- cross terms g_{0i} for $i \in \{\theta, \phi\}$ are zero from symmetry
- need more constraints to say anything particular about them

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Static perfect fluid

- stars are fluids – for simplicity we assume perfect
- thus we will impose additional constraints accordingly



Four-velocity

Constraints

$$U^i = 0 \text{ (static)} \quad \vec{U} \cdot \vec{U} = -1 \text{ (conservation law)}$$

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$$g_{00}U^0U^0 = -1 \implies U^0 = (-g_{00})^{-1/2} = e^{-\Phi}$$

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Exterior Geometry

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- properties inside different than outside (obviously)
- we're going to inspect both cases, starting with outside



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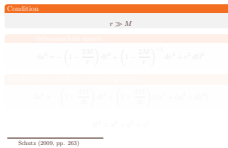


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- our assumptions from outside the star no longer hold



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- T–O–V equation coupled with dm/dr and $p(\rho)$
 - 3 equations
 - 3 unknowns (m , ρ , p)
 - $\Phi(r)$ only intermediate variable
- can integrate to find $m(r)$, $\rho(r)$, and $p(r)$

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 Carroll (2004, pp. 234)


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 └ Interior structure

└ Buchdahl's theorem

- restate $M/R < 4/9$ from Buchdahl's theorem
- give Carroll's intuitive explanation
 - if we assume there is a maximum sustainable density in nature
 - and we consider an object which fills a sphere with radius R
 - then the most massive possible object within that volume would have a uniform density
 - all other objects would need to have a lower density

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- now we're going to have a brief overview of real stars



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└ White dwarfs

- end-of-life form of lower mass stars like our Sun is as a white dwarf
- core left over after a star loses its outer shell as a planetary nebula
- nuclear fusion has halted, and only pressure of degenerate electron gas supports them
 - Pauli exclusion principle
- structure can be described by the equation of HSE to high accuracy
- relativistic effects come into play for central densities:
 - over 10^8 g cm^{-3}
 - up until the maximum

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 Schutz (2009, pp. 274–275)


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Spherical stars
└ Realistic stars

└ Neutron stars

- when a star condenses beyond a white dwarf, it may become a neutron star
- occurs in the aftermath of a supernova, or collapse of white dwarf
- compression beyond neutron star would form a black hole
- kinetic energy of electrons high
 - allows energy release when combined with a proton
 - energy carried away by neutrino, and neutron left behind
- held up by neutron degeneracy pressure – Pauli again
- matter incredibly complex
 - suitable equation of state is a topic under active research

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ν , ψ , ω , and μ : functions of r and θ

- stationary
- can still assume perfect fluid to high accuracy

Stergioulas (2003, p. 8)



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Spherical stars
└ Realistic stars

└ Rotating stars

- much more complicated when we allow for rotation
- metric no longer static
 - addition of cross terms between t and ϕ
 - metric dependence on θ in addition to r
- metric is still stationary
- perfect fluid assumption works to high accuracy

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- pulsars are rapidly rotating neutron stars
- they have a strong magnetic field which causes emission of light
- magnetic poles may be offset from axis of rotation
- if observed from right angle, see pulses of radio light, like lighthouse
- by including a strong magnetic field, we need to
 - consider the coupled Einstein–Maxwell field equations, assuming
 - equilibrium
 - stationary
 - axisymmetric
 - internal electric current
 - need to include electromagnetic energy density to stress-energy tensor
 - this makes $T_{\alpha\beta}$ non-isotropic

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Bonus slides



Equations of motion

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