

(11) and (12)]. Notice that when  $E = 0$  in (2) the evolution equation (4) contains one derivative in  $y$ , whereas if  $E \neq 0$  two derivatives in  $y$  appear in the evolution equation [see (7) and (10)]. Higher derivatives work in a similar way. This is analogous to the role of the dispersion relation in the one-dimensional problem.<sup>6</sup>

*Note added.*—We have become aware that Zakharov and Shabat<sup>12</sup> have obtained, by a different approach, the two- (spatial) dimensional three-wave interaction equations and Dryuma's result in Ref. 8.

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## Theories of Gravity with Structure-Dependent $\gamma$ 's

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A gauge theory for the Lorentz connection of a space-time describes geometries of stars with variable parametrized post-Newtonian parameter  $\gamma$ ; its value depends explicitly on the structure of a star: The value of  $\gamma$  for a neutron star is different from that for the solar system ( $|\gamma^{-1}| \leq 10^{-2}$ ). Because of the absence of a "local parity invariance"  $\gamma$  is positive for ordinary stars and  $\gamma$  is negative for sources of gravity consisting of anti-matter.

Several recent Letters<sup>1-3</sup> present various aspects of two-parameter static and spherically symmetric space-time geometries, generated by Yang's gravitational field equations  $R_{ab;c} - R_{ac;b} = 0$ .<sup>4</sup> The geometric background of these field equations has partially been discussed by Kilminster and Newman,<sup>5</sup> they have been used by Licherowicz<sup>6</sup> in his quantization of the gravitational field, and they appear in Bel's investigation of the super-energy-momentum tensor of the gravitational field<sup>7</sup>; the Lagrangian for Yang's equations has been noted by Eddington<sup>8</sup> as an alternate choice for gravitation. The space-time connections discussed in Refs. 1–3 may be classified by means of the family of vacuum solutions of the curvature dynamical equations,<sup>9,10</sup> which are the natural gauge equations of second order for the

connection of the Lorentz-frame bundle of a static and spherically symmetric space-time (here given in terms of Schwarzschild's coordinates,  $g_{00} = e^{2\mu}$ ,  $g_{11} = e^{-2\lambda} \equiv \Delta^{-2}$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} r^{-2}(r^2 f')' - 2r^{-2}f \\ = -e^{-1\lambda} f' \chi(\Delta', f) + \kappa j^{(1)0} e^{2(\mu - \lambda)}, \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \Delta^{2''} - r^{-2}(\Delta^2 - 1) \\ = -e^{-\mu} f \chi(\Delta', f) + \kappa e^{-\lambda} r^2 S^{(3)2}, \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

$$\chi(\Delta', f) \equiv \Delta' - e^{-\mu} f. \quad (3)$$

$f = (e^\mu)' \Delta$  represents the gravitational force measured in the static frame of reference;  $j^{(1)0}(r)$  and  $S^{(3)2}(r)$  are the only nonvanishing components of the external Lorentz current  $\mathcal{J}^Q$  which couples matter to geometry. Any static and spherically symmetric connection which is regular in the

asymptotic region and a solution of Eqs. (1) and (2) with  $j^{(1)0} = 0$  and  $S^{(3)2} = 0$  has the following form parametrized by the corresponding mass  $M$ , parametrized post-Newtonian parameter  $\gamma \in R$ , and parity parameter  $\beta_0 = \pm 1$ :

$$e^{2\mu} = 1 - 2x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} A_n(\gamma, \beta_0)x^n, \quad x \equiv M/r, \quad (4)$$

$$\Delta^2 = 1 - 2\beta_0\gamma x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} R_n(\gamma, \beta_0)x^n, \quad (5)$$

$$f = \beta_0(M/r^2)N(x; \gamma, \beta_0), \quad (6)$$

$$N = 1 - \frac{1}{2}(1 - \beta_0\gamma)x + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} Q_n(\gamma, \beta_0)x^n. \quad (7)$$

The coefficients  $A_n$ ,  $R_n$ , and  $Q_n$  are polynomials of order  $n$  in  $\gamma$ ; they all have a zero at  $\beta_0\gamma = 1$ ; i.e.,  $\beta_0 = +1$  and  $\gamma = 1$  reproduce the exterior Schwarzschild connection.<sup>11</sup> The expansion (4)–(7) is only valid in the asymptotic region defined by  $x < \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon \approx 1$ . The usual parametrized post-Newtonian parameter  $\gamma$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $\lambda_p$ ,<sup>12</sup> which characterize the light deflection  $\theta = \theta_E(\gamma + 1)/2$ , the nonlinearity in the gravitational potential, and the perihelion shift  $\delta\Phi = (\delta\Phi)_E\lambda_p$ ,<sup>13</sup> are completely determined by  $\gamma$  itself,

$$\beta = \beta(\gamma) = \frac{1}{4}(3 + \gamma), \quad \gamma \in R, \quad (8)$$

$$\lambda_p = \lambda_p(\gamma) = \frac{1}{12}(5 + 7\gamma). \quad (9)$$

$\gamma = -1$  [which corresponds to solution (2) in Ref. 3] would produce a vanishing light deflection, and  $\gamma < -\frac{5}{7}$  a retrograde perihelion shift; in particular  $\gamma = -1$  generates a retrograde perihelion shift of  $\frac{1}{8}$  the Einsteinian value.<sup>3</sup> Geometries with  $\beta_0 = +1$  are expressed in terms of a right-handed tetrad, and those having  $\beta_0 = -1$  in terms of a left-handed one; if  $\gamma > 0$ , the corresponding geometries (4)–(7) have positively oriented 2-spheres ( $t = \text{const}$ ,  $r = \text{const}$ ), and for  $\gamma < 0$  we obtain negatively oriented 2-spheres. Finally, a theory of gravity described by Eqs. (1) and (2) is no longer  $\beta_0$  invariant (i.e., not “locally parity invariant”); however it is invariant under the combined transformation  $\beta_0 \rightarrow -\beta_0$  and  $\gamma \rightarrow -\gamma$ .<sup>10</sup> A further distinction to the Schwarzschild geometry is important: The geometries (4)–(7) are not able to form a regular event horizon unless  $\gamma = 1$  and  $\beta_0 = +1$ ; if  $r \rightarrow r_0$ , where  $e^{2\mu}(r_0) = 0$  and  $r_0 \approx 2M$ , infinite tidal forces would arise<sup>11</sup>; in other words, the Schwarzschild geometry cannot be continuously embedded into the family (4)–(7).

At various places<sup>1-3</sup> it has been pointed out that most of the geometries (4)–(7) are unphysical

since their  $\gamma$ 's are in harsh contrast to the values of  $\gamma$  measured in the solar system. However, theories of the type (1) and (2) characterize the state of static sources of gravity by means of *two* parameters: their mass  $M$  and their structure parameter  $\gamma$ ; for curvature dynamical theories of gravity  $\gamma$  is a source-related parameter, while in any theory of the Einsteinian type  $\gamma$  appears definitely fixed by coupling constants. If, therefore, a curvature dynamical theory of gravity has to be viable, it must predict for the solar system  $\gamma_{\odot} = 1 - \epsilon_{\odot}$  with  $|\epsilon_{\odot}| \lesssim 10^{-2}$ ; in general, however, different types of stars have different  $\gamma$ 's, and so, e.g.,  $\gamma_{\text{star}} \neq \gamma_{\odot}$ . It is therefore of primary experimental importance to measure the values of  $\gamma$  for different types of sources of gravity, particularly for neutron stars. Quite general physical arguments show<sup>14</sup> that  $\gamma$  depends on the mass-to-radius ratio ( $M/R$ ) of a star; it was found that the relation  $\gamma = 1 - \epsilon$  with  $\epsilon \approx M/R$  (and  $\epsilon_{\odot} = 2 \times 10^{-6}$ !). For stars consisting of normal matter  $\gamma$  would always be positive ( $\gamma_{\text{star}} \approx 0.8$ ); whether geometries with negative  $\gamma$ 's might be attributed to stars consisting of antimatter is an open question, but seems, however, to be a very promising interpretation. Stars consisting of antimatter would then generate a retrograde periastron shift.

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