

1. Check that the metric describing the rotating frame of Assignment 2, can be recovered by means of the following vielbeins:

$$e^0 = dt, \quad e^1 = dx + \omega y dt, \quad e^2 = dy - \omega x dt, \quad e^3 = dz.$$

Compute the spin connection and the curvature.

2. Fix the coefficient in front of the expression

$$M_P^2 \int R^{ab} \wedge e^c \wedge e^d \epsilon_{abcd}$$

in order to match the Einstein–Hilbert action, with the normalization given in class.

3. The following surface immersed in 5-dimensional Minkowski spacetime, with H constant, describes a hyperboloid:

$$-(X^0)^2 + (X^1)^2 + (X^2)^2 + (X^3)^2 + (X^4)^2 = H^{-2}.$$

Find the metric induced on this hypersurface, if we solve the constraint by

$$\begin{aligned} X^i &= e^{Ht} x^i, & \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \\ X^0 - X^4 &= \frac{2}{H} e^{Ht}. \end{aligned}$$

This describes de Sitter spacetime in Lemaitre coordinates

- Do these coordinates cover the whole spacetime?
- Using Cartan's formalism, compute the Ricci tensor and scalar for this spacetime.
- Repeat the exercise with the following coordinates:

$$\begin{aligned} X^0 &= H^{-1} \sinh(Ht) \sqrt{1 - H^2 r^2}, \\ X^i &= x^i & \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3, \\ X^4 &= H^{-1} \cosh(Ht) \sqrt{1 - H^2 r^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and $r^2 = \sum_i (x^i)^2$.