

# 155(3): Conservation of Energy / Momentum in Field Particle Interaction in General Relativity

For spherical spacetime, consider the general metric:

$$ds^2 = c^2 d\tau^2 = x(r, t) c^2 dt^2 - y(r, t) dr^2 - r^2 d\phi^2 \quad (1)$$

in cylindrical polar coordinates in the  $XY$  plane. The

Lagrangian is conserved under all conditions:

$$H = \frac{1}{2} mc^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \left( x c^2 \left( \frac{dt}{d\tau} \right)^2 - y \left( \frac{dr}{d\tau} \right)^2 - r^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{d\tau} \right)^2 \right) \quad (2)$$

The total energy is conserved and is:

$$E = mc^2 x dt / d\tau \quad (3)$$

The radial momentum is conserved and is:

$$p_r = m y \frac{dr}{d\tau} \quad (4)$$

The angular momentum is conserved and is:

$$L = m r^2 \frac{d\phi}{d\tau} \quad (5)$$

Eq. (2) is therefore:

$$E_1^2 = m^2 c^4 + c^2 p_1^2 \quad (6)$$

where  $E_1^2 = E^2 / x$ , (7)

$$p_1^2 = p_r^2 / y + L^2 / r^2 \quad (8)$$

2) Eq. (6) shows that the Einstein energy equation has the same format as general relativity, but the definition of the total energy and of the radial momentum are changed. In special relativity:

$$E_0 = mc^2 \left( \frac{dt}{d\tau} \right)_0 = \gamma mc^2 \quad (9)$$

$$\underline{P}_0 = m \left( \frac{dr}{d\tau} \right)_0 \underline{e}_r = \gamma m \frac{dr}{dt} \underline{e}_r \quad (10)$$

$$\underline{L}_0 = m r^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{d\tau} \right)_0 \underline{e}_\phi = \gamma m r^2 \frac{d\phi}{dt} \underline{e}_\phi \quad (11)$$

$$E_0^2 = m^2 c^4 + c^2 P_0^2 \quad (12)$$

So:

$$P_0^2 = P_r^2 + L_0^2 / r^2 \quad (13)$$

where

and the metric of special relativity, the Minkowski metric:

$$ds^2 = c^2 d\tau^2 = c^2 dt^2 - dr^2 - r^2 d\phi^2 \quad (14)$$

and:

$$H = \frac{1}{2} mc^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \gamma^2 \left( c^2 - \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 - r^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{dt} \right)^2 \right) \quad (15)$$

Note that the Hamiltonian  $H$  is the same as special and general relativity, being half the rest energy.

The following is a convenient summary of the dynamical quantities involved. These are listed in cylindrical polar coordinates. If the position vector in Cartesian coordinates is:

$$\underline{r} = X \underline{i} + Y \underline{j} + Z \underline{k} \quad (16)$$

then:

$$\underline{v} = \dot{x} \underline{i} + \dot{y} \underline{j} + \dot{z} \underline{k} \quad - (9)$$

$$= \dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi + \dot{z} \underline{k} \quad - (10)$$

Here, we: the unit vectors of the cylindrical polar system

$$\underline{e}_r = \cos \phi \underline{i} + \sin \phi \underline{j} \quad - (10)$$

$$\underline{e}_\phi = -\sin \phi \underline{i} + \cos \phi \underline{j} \quad - (11)$$

$$\underline{e}_z = \underline{k} \quad - (12)$$

$$\underline{r} = r \underline{e}_r + z \underline{e}_z \quad - (13)$$

so:

$$\underline{v} = \frac{d\underline{r}}{dt} = \dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi + \dot{z} \underline{e}_z$$

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$$\underline{v} = \dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi + \dot{z} \underline{e}_z$$

$$\underline{e}_z = 0 \quad - (15)$$

if

So from eq. (2), in general relativity:

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= mc^2 \gamma \frac{dt}{d\tau}, \\ \underline{p}_1 &= m \left( \gamma \frac{dr}{d\tau} \underline{e}_r + r \frac{d\phi}{d\tau} \underline{e}_\phi \right) \\ p_1^2 &= m^2 \left( \gamma^2 \left( \frac{dr}{d\tau} \right)^2 + r^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{d\tau} \right)^2 \right) \end{aligned} \quad - (16)$$

4) In special relativity

$$E_0 = \gamma m c^2$$

$$\underline{p}_0 = m \gamma \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \underline{e}_r + r \frac{d\phi}{dt} \underline{e}_\phi \right) \quad (17)$$

$$p_0^2 = m^2 \gamma^2 \left( \left( \frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 + r^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{dt} \right)^2 \right)$$

Eqs. (17) are for the free particle, eqs. (18) are for field particle interaction.

$$E_0^2 = c^2 p_0^2 + m^2 c^4$$

free particle

$$\downarrow$$

$$E_1^2 = c^2 p_1^2 + m^2 c^4$$

field/particle

In ERE theory the field is defined by the first Cartan structure equation:

$$T_{\mu\nu}^a = d\eta_{\mu\nu}^a - d\eta_{\nu\mu}^a + \Omega_{\mu\nu}^a \quad (18)$$

where

$$\Omega_{\mu\nu}^a = \omega_{\mu b}^a \eta_{\nu}^b - \omega_{\nu b}^a \eta_{\mu}^b \quad (19)$$

$$= \omega_{\mu\nu}^a - \omega_{\nu\mu}^a \quad (20)$$

5) Summing up over  $\alpha$ :

$$T_{\mu\nu} - \Omega_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu \mathcal{V}_\nu - \partial_\nu \mathcal{V}_\mu \quad (21)$$

$$:= \tau_{\mu\nu}$$

### Gravitational Field

This is defined by:

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \Phi \tau_{\mu\nu} \quad (22)$$

where  $\Phi$  is a scalar valued magnitude of the gravitational potential defined by:

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{\Phi}_\mu &= \underline{\Phi} \mathcal{V}_\mu \quad (23) \\ &= (\Phi_0, -\underline{\Phi}) \end{aligned}$$

In vector notation:

$$\underline{g} = -\underline{\nabla} \underline{\Phi} - \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \underline{\Phi}}{\partial t} \quad (24)$$

By antisymmetry:

$$\underline{\nabla} \underline{\Phi} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \underline{\Phi}}{\partial t} \quad (25)$$

### Electromagnetic Field

This is defined by:

$$F_{\mu\nu} = A \tau_{\mu\nu} \quad (26)$$

where  $A$  is a scalar valued magnitude of the electromagnetic potential defined by:

6)

$$A_\mu = A q_\mu = \left( \frac{\phi}{c}, -A \right) \quad (27)$$

So:

$$\underline{E} = -\underline{\nabla} \phi - \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} \quad (28)$$

By antisymmetry:

$$\underline{\nabla} \phi = \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} \quad (29)$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} g_{\mu\nu} &= \Phi (T_{\mu\nu} - \Omega_{\mu\nu}) = \partial_\mu \Phi - \partial_\nu \Phi_\mu, \\ F_{\mu\nu} &= A (T_{\mu\nu} - \Omega_{\mu\nu}) = \partial_\mu A - \partial_\nu A_\mu. \end{aligned} \quad (30)$$

The potentials are defined by the difference between the Carter formalism and ppi convention.

In special relativity, field particle kinematics is described by the minimal prescription:

$$p^\mu \rightarrow p^\mu + e A^\mu \quad (31)$$

$$\text{i.e.} \quad \underline{E} \rightarrow \underline{E} + e \underline{\phi} \quad (32)$$

$$\underline{p} \rightarrow \underline{p} + e \underline{A} \quad (33)$$

In special relativity, eq. (12) is:

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} \hat{p}^\mu \hat{p}_\mu = \frac{1}{2} mc^2 \quad (34)$$



where:  $p^\mu = \left( \frac{E_0}{c}, \underline{p}_0 \right) \quad - (35)$

$$p_\mu = \left( \frac{E_0}{c}, -\underline{p}_0 \right) \quad - (36)$$

for the free particle.

Field particle interaction is therefore described by the Hamilton Jacobi equation:

$$H = \frac{1}{2m} (p^\mu + eA^\mu)(p_\mu + eA_\mu) = \frac{1}{2} mc^2 \quad - (35)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2m} p^\mu p_\mu$$

Since  $H$  is the same in eqns. (34) and (35),

$$p^\mu p_\mu = p^\mu p_\mu = m^2 c^2 \quad - (36)$$

From eqn. (16):

$$p^\mu_1 = \left( \frac{E_1}{c}, -\underline{p}_1 \right) \quad - (37)$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{c} (E + e\phi), -(\underline{p} + e\underline{A}) \right) \quad - (38)$$

i.e.  $E_1 = E + e\phi = mc^2 \times dt/d\tau$

$$\underline{p}_1 = \underline{p} + e\underline{A} = m \left( \gamma \frac{d\underline{r}}{d\tau} \underline{e}_r + \left( \frac{d\phi}{d\tau} \right) \underline{e}_\phi \right)$$