

# Numerical Relativity - PHY 6938

## Solutions to HW 3

1. If  $G = c = 1$ :

a)  $1 = c \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{m/s}$ , thus  $1 \text{s} \approx 3 \times 10^8 \text{m}$

$1 = G/c^2 \approx [6.7 \times 10^{-11}/(3 \times 10^8)^2] \text{m/kg}$ , thus  $1 \text{kg} \approx 7.4 \times 10^{-28} \text{m}$

$1 \text{m/s} = 1 \text{m}/(3 \times 10^8 \text{m}) \approx 3 \times 10^{-9}$

$1 \text{m/s}^2 = 1 \text{m}/(9 \times 10^{16} \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2) \approx 1 \times 10^{-17} \text{s}^2/\text{m}$

b)  $m\omega = 0.05$  thus  $\omega = 0.05/1000 \text{m}$ , but  $1 \text{m} \approx 3 \times 10^{-9} \text{s}$ . So  $\omega \approx 15000/\text{s}$

2. a) Since  $n_a = -\alpha \nabla_a t$  and  $x^0 = t$  we obtain  $n_\mu = (-\alpha, 0, 0, 0)$ .

Consider  $t^\mu = \frac{dx^\mu}{dt}$ , then  $t^\mu = (1, 0, 0, 0)$ . With  $\alpha n^a + \beta^a = t^a$  this leads to  $n^\mu = (1, -\beta^i)/\alpha$

b)  $\gamma_{ab} := g_{ab} + n_a n_b$ . So since  $\gamma^{ab} n_a = 0$  we have  $\gamma^{\mu 0} = 0$  and  $\gamma_{ij} = g_{ij}$ . One can show that  $g_{0k} = \beta_k$  and  $g_{00} = -\alpha^2 + \beta_k \beta^k$ , thus  $\gamma_{0k} = \beta_k$  and  $\gamma_{00} = g_{00} + n_0 n_0 = \beta_k \beta^k$

c)  $\gamma^{ik} \gamma_{kj} = \gamma^{i\mu} \gamma_{\mu j} = (g^{i\mu} + n^i n^\mu) \gamma_{\mu j} = g^{i\mu} \gamma_{\mu j} = g^{i\mu} (g_{\mu j} + 0) = \delta_j^i$

3.  $\gamma_{ab} := g_{ab} + n_a n_b$

a) Since  $\gamma_a^c n^a = 0$ ,  $K_{ab} n^a = 0 = K_{ab} n^b$

b)  $K_{ab} := -\gamma_a^c \gamma_b^d \nabla_c n_d = -\gamma_a^c \gamma_b^d (\nabla_d t \nabla_c k + k \nabla_c \nabla_d t) = -\gamma_a^c \gamma_b^d ([n_d/k] \nabla_c k + k \nabla_c \nabla_d t) = -\gamma_a^c \gamma_b^d k \nabla_c \nabla_d t$ . Since  $\nabla_c \nabla_d t$  is symmetric,  $K_{ab}$  is also symmetric.

c) Since  $n_d n^d = -1$  we have  $n^d \nabla_c n_d = 0$ .  $K_{ab} = -\gamma_a^c (g_b^d \nabla_c n_d + n_b n^d \nabla_c n_d) = -\gamma_a^c \nabla_c n_b + 0$

d)  $\mathcal{L}_n \gamma_{ab} = \mathcal{L}_n (g_{ab} + n_a n_b) = \nabla_a n_b + \nabla_b n_a + n^c \nabla_c (n_a n_b) + n_c n_b \nabla_a n^c + n_a n_c \nabla_b n^c = \nabla_a n_b + \nabla_b n_a + n_b n^c \nabla_c n_a + n_a n^c \nabla_c n_b + 0 = (g_a^c + n_a n^c) \nabla_c n_b + (g_b^c + n_b n^c) \nabla_c n_a = \gamma_a^c \nabla_c n_b + \gamma_b^c \nabla_c n_a = -K_{ab} - K_{ba} = -2K_{ab}$

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a)  $\mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = T^c \nabla_c S_b^a + S_b^c \nabla_c (\alpha n^a) - S_b^c \nabla_c (\alpha n^a) = \alpha n^c \nabla_c S_b^a + \alpha S_b^c \nabla_c n^a - \alpha S_b^c \nabla_c n^a - S_b^c n^a \nabla_c \alpha$  since  $S_b^a n_a = 0 = S_b^a n^b$ . So  $n^b \mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = \alpha n^b n^c \nabla_c S_b^a + \alpha S_b^c n^b \nabla_c n^a - 0 = \alpha (n^b n^c \nabla_c S_b^a + S_b^c n^c \nabla_c n^b) = \alpha [n^c \nabla_c (n^b S_b^a)] = 0$ . We can also see that  $(\nabla_a t) \mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = \mathcal{L}_T (S_b^a \nabla_a t) - S_b^a \mathcal{L}_T \nabla_a t$ . Now we use  $S_b^a \nabla_a t = 0$  and  $\mathcal{L}_T \nabla_a t = \nabla_a \mathcal{L}_T t$  to obtain  $(\nabla_a t) \mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = -S_b^a \nabla_a \mathcal{L}_T t$ . Now use  $\mathcal{L}_T t = T^c \nabla_c t = \partial_t t = 1$  where we defined  $t^c = T^c + \beta^c$ . So finally  $(\nabla_a t) \mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = -S_b^a \nabla_a 1 = 0$ , and thus  $(\mathcal{L}_T S_b^a) n_a = 0$

Thus we found  $(\mathcal{L}_T S_b^a) n_a = 0 = (\mathcal{L}_T S_b^a) n^b$  and  $\mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = \alpha \mathcal{L}_n S_b^a$ .

b) Using the usual Lie drivative formula as in a) we see that  $\mathcal{L}_T S_b^a = \alpha \mathcal{L}_n S_b^a + S_b^c n^c \nabla_b \alpha - S_b^c n^a \nabla_c \alpha = \alpha \mathcal{L}_n S_b^a - S_b^c n^a \nabla_c \alpha$ . We thus find  $(\mathcal{L}_n S_b^a) n^b = 0$ .

But  $(\alpha \mathcal{L}_n S_b^a) n_a = n_a \mathcal{L}_T S_b^a - 0 + S_b^c n^a \nabla_c \alpha = 0 + S_b^c n^a \nabla_c \alpha$ . The latter is not necessarily zero. It is zero only if the lapse is constant over spatial slices.

Note:  $(\mathcal{L}_n S_b^a) n_a = \mathcal{L}_n (S_b^a n_a) - S_b^a \mathcal{L}_n n_a$  and  $\mathcal{L}_n n_a = n^c \nabla_c n_a + n_c \nabla_a n^c = n^c \nabla_c n_a + 0$ . Furthermore  $n^c \nabla_c n_a = n^c \nabla_c (-\alpha \nabla_a t) = -\alpha n^c \nabla_c \nabla_a t - (\nabla_a t) n^c \nabla_c \alpha = -\alpha n^c \nabla_a \nabla_c t - (\nabla_a t) n^c \nabla_c \alpha = \alpha n^c \nabla_a (n_c/\alpha) + (n_a/\alpha) n^c \nabla_c \alpha = \alpha [(n_c/\alpha) \nabla_a n_c - n^c n_c (\nabla_a \alpha)/\alpha^2 + (n_a/\alpha) n^c \nabla_c \alpha] = 0 + (\nabla_a \alpha)/\alpha + (n_a/\alpha) n^c \nabla_c \alpha = \nabla_a \ln \alpha + n_a n^c \nabla_c \ln \alpha$ . Which gives the same result.