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ON CERTAIN EINSTEIN SPACE-TIME
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Abstract: The subject of the present note is the Riemannian space-time provided with the pseudo-metric tensor (1).

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In the work [1] a classification of four-dimensional generalized symmetric pseudo-Riemannian spaces has been carried out.

It appears that there are four such spaces and among them only one is of signature (+ + + -), namely that which is provided with the following pseudo-metric tensor on the Cartesian space R^4 :

$$(1) \quad (g_{\mu\lambda}) = \begin{pmatrix} e^{2t} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2t} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

A four-dimensional pseudo-Riemannian space of signature (+ + + -) is called a Riemannian space-time.

Theorem 1. The Riemannian space-time with the metric (1) is an Einstein space-time of zero Ricci tensor.

Proof: Computing Christoffel symbols from formula (1) we have

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \Gamma_{11}^3 &= -2 e^{2t} & \Gamma_{22}^3 &= 2 e^{-2t} \\ \Gamma_{14}^1 &= 1 & \Gamma_{24}^2 &= -1, \text{ remaining } \Gamma_{\lambda\mu}^\nu &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we obtain the following curvature tensor:

$$(3) \quad \begin{cases} R_{141}^3 = 2 e^{2t}, & R_{144}^1 = 1 \\ R_{242}^3 = 2 e^{-2t}, & R_{244}^2 = -1 \\ \text{remaining } R_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^\delta = 0. \end{cases}$$

On the basis of formula (3) it is easy to check that Ricci tensor is zero:

$$R_{\lambda\mu} = 0.$$

It is sometimes important to give the Petrov-Penrose type [2] for an Einstein space-time. For this purpose, a subclassification to the ranks $\hat{R}_R, \tilde{R}_R, \tilde{\tilde{R}}_R$ of the curvature tensor ([3]; Theorem 4, page 52) has been carried out:

	\hat{T}_1, T_1		\tilde{T}_1	T_1	$\tilde{\tilde{T}}_2$	T_2	$\tilde{\tilde{T}}_3$	T_3
	$\begin{matrix} (+2) \\ G \\ (H) \end{matrix} abc$							
(4)	$\begin{matrix} (+2) \\ G \\ (H) \end{matrix} 466$	I D O	I D	II N	II	III		
	$\begin{matrix} (+1) \\ G \\ (H) \end{matrix} 464$	I D	I	II			III	
	$\begin{matrix} (+2) \\ G \\ (H) \end{matrix} 442$	D						
	$\begin{matrix} (+2) \\ G \\ (H) \end{matrix} 342$				N			
	$\begin{matrix} (+2) \\ G \\ (H) \end{matrix} 000$		M					

Here the spaces \mathbb{T}_1 , T_1 are of Petrov type, spaces I, D, O, II, III, N, M are Penrose subtypes, and empty places mean that the corresponding type does not exist, and that $r_R = a$, $\tilde{r}_R = b$, $\tilde{\tilde{r}}_R = c$.

On the basis of (3) we have:

$$(5) \quad r_R = 3, \quad \tilde{r}_R = 2.$$

According to (5) and (4), our space is of the G_{342} type, which determines the Petrov-Penrose type N. (H)

Hence we have the following:

Theorem 2. The Einstein space-time with the metric (1) is of Petrov-Penrose type N.

For this type, the tensor (1) is interpreted as a pure field of gravity. For the field of gravity (1) we find the equations of motion, i.e. geodesic curves:

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} \text{a) } \quad & \ddot{\xi}^\mu + \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu \dot{\xi}^\alpha \dot{\xi}^\beta = 0 \\ \text{b) } \quad & g_{\alpha\beta} \dot{\xi}^\alpha \dot{\xi}^\beta = A \quad (A = 0 \text{ or } A \neq 0, A\text{-constant}). \end{aligned}$$

Substituting (2) and (1) in (6) we get the following system of ordinary differential equations:

$$(7) \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} \ddot{x} + 2 \dot{x} \dot{t} &= 0 \\ \ddot{y} - 2 \dot{y} \dot{t} &= 0 \\ \ddot{z} - 2 e^{2t} \dot{x}^2 + 2 e^{-2t} \dot{y}^2 &= 0 \\ \ddot{t} = 0 &\Rightarrow \dot{t} = k \quad (= \text{const.}) \\ e^{2t} \dot{x}^2 + \dot{z} \dot{t} + e^{-2t} \dot{y}^2 &= A. \end{aligned} \right.$$

Assuming the time t to be a parameter for the geodesic curves determined by the system of equations (7) we get:

$$(8) \quad \begin{cases} \ddot{x} + 2k \dot{x} = 0 \\ \ddot{y} - 2k \dot{y} = 0 \\ \ddot{z} - 2e^{2t} \dot{x} + 2e^{-2t} \dot{y}^2 = 0 \\ e^{2t} \dot{x}^2 + k \dot{z} + e^{-2t} \dot{y}^2 = A. \end{cases}$$

Solving the system of equations (8) we have the following formulas for geodesic curves:

$$(9) \quad \begin{cases} x = C_1 + C_2 e^{-2t} \\ y = C_3 + C_4 e^{2t} \\ z = 2C_2^2 e^{-2t} - 2C_4^2 e^{2t} + A t + B \\ t = t \end{cases}$$

For the motion of a probe particle in a field of gravity (1) with the initial conditions

$$\begin{pmatrix} (x_0, y_0, z_0, 0) \\ (\dot{x}_0, \dot{y}_0, \dot{z}_0, 1) \end{pmatrix}$$

we have the following formulas:

$$(10) \quad \begin{cases} x = x_0 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_0 - \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_0 e^{-2t} \\ y = y_0 - \frac{1}{2} \dot{y}_0 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{y}_0 e^{2t} \\ z = \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_0^2 e^{-2t} - \frac{1}{2} \dot{y}_0^2 e^{2t} + (\dot{z}_0 + \dot{x}_0^2 + \dot{y}_0^2) t + z_0 - \\ \quad - \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_0^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{y}_0^2 \\ t = t \quad (t \geq 0). \end{cases}$$

On the basis of [1, Theorem 5.2] and our Theorem 2 we get finally

Theorem 3. There is one and only one Einstein time-space of type N, which is at the same time a generalized symmetric space, namely that provided with the pseudo-metric tensor (1).

R e f e r e n c e s

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