

Gauge-Invariant Localization of Infinitely Many Gravitational Energies from All Possible Auxiliary Structures

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Energy Localization Debate from 1910s

- ▶ Pseudotensor? 1916 (Einstein, 1923) for vs. (Schrödinger, 1918; Bauer, 1918) against.
- ▶ Reviews (Fletcher, 1960; Trautman, 1962; Goldberg, 1980; Szabados, 2004).
- ▶ $\mathfrak{T}_\nu^\mu \sqrt{-g} =_{def} T_\nu^\mu \sqrt{-g} + t_\nu^\mu \sqrt{-g}$ satisfies $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu} (\mathfrak{T}_\nu^\mu \sqrt{-g}) = 0$ if (and only if) $G_\nu^\mu = T_\nu^\mu$. Here $t_\nu^\mu \sqrt{-g}$ is gravity pseudotensor.
- ▶ Problem is not lack of conserved quantities, but *too many* and lack of relationships among them (Anderson, 1967).
- ▶ Pseudotensors aren't tensors, not even geometric objects.
- ▶ Many (1st derivatives) can vanish at any point or worldline.
- ▶ Mix of coordinate artifacts and real physics, it seems.

Tensorial Energy from Additional Background Structure?

- ▶ Flat background metric (Rosen, 1963; Cornish, 1964).
- ▶ Coordinate change $g_{\sigma\rho} \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} g_{\sigma\rho}$, $u \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} u$, $\eta_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} \eta_{\mu\nu}$.
 u is matter (Grishchuk et al., 1984; Petrov, 2008).
- ▶ Problem of coordinate dependence reappears as gauge dependence: $g_{\sigma\rho} \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} g_{\sigma\rho}$, $u \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} u$, $\eta_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu}$.
- ▶ $\eta_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} \eta_{\mu\nu}$ affects energy density but no physical meaning.
- ▶ Flat connection $\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha} \rightarrow e^{\mathcal{L}\xi} \Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha}$ (Sorkin, 1991; Fatibene and Francaviglia, 2003) has analogous problem.
- ▶ Orthonormal tetrad e_A^{μ} : extra local $O(3, 1)$ (Møller, 1964).
- ▶ Just moving lump in carpet, not flattening it out, with a flat metric, connection or tetrad: gauge-dependent energy.

Traditional Coping Mechanism

- ▶ Blame the question and invoke equivalence principle *ad hoc*: “[a]nybody who looks for a magic formula for ‘local gravitational energy-momentum’ is looking for the right answer to the wrong question.” (Misner et al., 1973, p. 467)
- ▶ But Noether’s theorems don’t care about the equivalence principle. Maybe a different kind of invariance fits what Noether yields?
- ▶ Value of messy math as opposed to geometrical shortcuts and picture-thinking (Kiriushcheva et al., 2008; Brown, 2005).
- ▶ ∞ many conserved energies (Bergmann, 1958; Komar, 1959).
- ▶ Drop *unique* localization, find new kind of co/invariance?

No Need to Assume Energy is Unique

- ▶ Universal tacit undefended assumption of just one energy: 10 (or 16) components in one chart should suffice locally.
- ▶ (Goldberg, 1980) (Szabados, 2004, section 3.1.3); (Faddeev, 1982): “The energy of the gravitational field is not localized, i.e., a uniquely defined energy density does not exist.”
- ▶ But *no reason to believe in uniqueness*—just a habit, default.
- ▶ ∞ many energies (Bergmann, 1958; Komar, 1959; Anderson, 1967; Regge and Teitelboim, 1974; Fatibene and Francaviglia, 2003). Any vector field gives one! *Why can't they all be real?*
- ▶ Uniqueness should have been rejected, localization could have been discovered 50 years ago by Bergmann.

Gauge Independence of Energies from **All** Background Structures: Case of Flat Metrics

- ▶ Don't choose one background; choose them all! $\{(\forall \eta_{\rho\sigma}) \eta_{\rho\sigma}\}$.
- ▶ Gauge invariance: nothing depends on arbitrary choice of $\eta_{\rho\sigma}$.
- ▶ Infinite-component invariant energy $\{(\forall \eta_{\rho\sigma}) t^{\mu\nu}[g_{\alpha\beta}, \eta_{\rho\sigma}]\}$, each conserved: $\partial_{1\mu}(\sqrt{-g}T^{\mu\nu} + \sqrt{-g}t^{\mu\nu}[g, \eta_1]) = 0$,
 $\partial_{1\mu}\eta_{1\alpha\beta} \equiv 0$, $\partial_{2\mu}(\sqrt{-g}T^{\mu\nu} + \sqrt{-g}t^{\mu\nu}[g, \eta_2]) = 0, \dots$
- ▶ Flat connection is analogous, but angular momentum problems (Chang et al., 2000) (*c.f.*) (Goldberg, 1958).
- ▶ $\{(\forall \eta_{\rho\sigma}) \eta_{\rho\sigma}\}$ a bit like group averaging (Marolf, 2002), but only collect into set, not add, gauge-dependent elements.

Critique of Komar's Vector, Møller's Orthonormal Tetrad

- ▶ Komar's conserved quantities tensorial, depend on vector field.
- ▶ Problem: factor of 2 wrong answers for Komar (Katz, 1985; Katz and Ori, 1990; Iyer and Wald, 1994; Petrov and Katz, 2002; Fatibene and Francaviglia, 2003).
- ▶ Møller's orthonormal tetrad: accept them all?
- ▶ Worry: local Lorentz $O(3, 1)$ group is gratuitous, so gauge invariance from *all tetrads* is Pickwickian.
- ▶ Flat metric $\eta_{\rho\sigma}$, flat connection $\Gamma_{\rho\sigma}^{\alpha}$ give invariant localization.
- ▶ $\eta_{\rho\sigma}$ or $\Gamma_{\rho\sigma}^{\alpha}$ needed in action S (Faddeev, 1982; Hawking and Horowitz, 1996; Fatibene and Francaviglia, 2003).
- ▶ Gauge-invariant multi-action $S[g_{\mu\nu}, \{(\forall\eta_{\rho\sigma}) \eta_{\rho\sigma}\}]$.

Spinorial Almost Geometric Objects, So No Exception

- ▶ Spinors in coordinates (Ogievetskiĭ and Polubarinov, 1965; Bilyalov, 2002; Gates et al., 1983): $\langle r_{\mu\nu}, \psi \rangle$, where $r_{[\mu\alpha]} = 0$, $g_{\mu\nu} = \sum_{\alpha=A} \sum_{\beta=B} r_{\mu\alpha} \eta^{AB} r_{\beta\nu}$: symmetric square root.
- ▶ $\langle r_{\mu\nu}, \psi \rangle$ nonlinear spinor representation of coordinate transformations (up to sign), linear for conformal subgroup.
- ▶ No tetrad, no local Lorentz group; $r_{\mu\alpha}$ locally like tetrad in symmetric gauge.
- ▶ Any coordinates, but swap to get time first (Bilyalov, 1992).
- ▶ $\langle g_{\mu\nu}, \psi \rangle$ equivalent to $\langle r_{\mu\nu}, \psi \rangle$. Lie, covariant derivatives defined (Ogievetskiĭ and Polubarinov, 1965; Szybiak, 1966).
- ▶ So energy localization proposed here suits spinors also.

Pseudotensor in All Coordinates as Invariant Localization

- ▶ Tensors $t^{\mu\nu}$ from $\eta_{\rho\sigma}$ or $\Gamma_{\rho\sigma}^{\alpha}$: clear transformation properties.
- ▶ Ignoring global issues, can fix coordinates: each flat metric in Cartesian coordinates: $\eta_{RS} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1)$, $\Gamma_{RS}^A = 0$.
- ▶ Yields pseudotensor in $g_{\mu\nu}$ in every gauge/coordinate system.
- ▶ Invariant: for every chart U , $\{\forall U t_{\nu}^{\mu}[g_{\mu\nu}, \eta_{MN}]\}$.
- ▶ A *pseudotensor* is *okay*; just take it in *all* coordinate systems.
- ▶ Not ∞ many faces of same entity as with tensor, but ∞ many distinct entities, each in own adapted coordinate system.
- ▶ Not just metric, but natural bases enter definition of energy.
- ▶ Good pseudotensor maybe same for all solutions (Katz et al., 1997), maybe not (Nester, 2004).

Objections to Pseudotensors Assume Unique Energy

- ▶ Worry: t_{ν}^{μ} vanishing at point or worldline in some coordinates.
- ▶ Reply: some but not all energies vanish there.
- ▶ Worry: Minkowski in unimodular spherical coordinates has nonzero Einstein pseudotensor (Bauer, 1918; Pauli, 1921).
- ▶ Reply: different coordinate system gives different energies.
- ▶ Worry: total energy in these coordinates diverges.
- ▶ Reply: spherical coordinate singularities, strongly curved basis.
- ▶ Worry: Einstein pseudotensor 0 [for $r > 2M$] in Schwarzschild in \approx Cartesian $\sqrt{-g} = 1$ coordinates (Schrödinger, 1918).
- ▶ Reply: Many energies exist; some vanish outside horizon, some don't (Petrov, 2005; Petrov, 2008).

Noether Operator Is Invariant in New Sense

- ▶ Non-GR fields: $\nabla_{\mu}(T^{\mu\nu}\sqrt{-g}\xi_{\nu}) = (T^{\mu\nu}\sqrt{-g}\xi_{\nu})_{,\mu} = 0$: conserved vector density $T^{\mu\nu}\sqrt{-g}\xi_{\nu}$ is algebraic in ξ^{ν} .
- ▶ For GR, Noether's theorem gives nontensorial differential operator in ξ^{ν} (Schutz and Sorkin, 1977; Sorkin, 1977; Thirring and Wallner, 1978; Szabados, 1992).
- ▶ Feeding it natural basis yields pseudotensor components.
- ▶ Feeding it *all* natural bases yields pseudotensor in all coordinates: invariant in sense proposed here.
- ▶ Not unique due to possibility of adding curls.
- ▶ But even scalar fields in flat space-time have a bit of that problem (Callan et al., 1970): “improved” stress tensor.

Logical Equivalence of All Conservation Laws to Einstein's Equations

- ▶ Fields: conservation because every field has Euler-Lagrange equations or (generalized) Killing vectors (Trautman, 1966).
- ▶ GR (without $\eta_{\rho\sigma}$ or $\Gamma_{\rho\sigma}^{\alpha}$): every field has E-L equations.
- ▶ GR: conservation from Einstein's equations without using matter equations (Anderson, 1967; Wald, 1984).
- ▶ Coordinate form $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^{\mu}}(\mathfrak{T}_{\nu}^{\mu}\sqrt{-g}) = 0$ in all coordinates.
- ▶ Sheds light on relation of GR to first law of thermodynamics: GR obviously entails it.

Logical Equivalence of All Conservation Laws to Einstein's Equations

- ▶ Reverse entailment also holds (Anderson, 1967): pseudotensor law in all coordinates entails Einstein's equations!
- ▶ Illuminates spin-2 derivations of Einstein's equations (Einstein and Grossmann, 1996; Deser, 1970; Pitts and Schieve, 2001).
- ▶ Clearly, nothing logically equivalent to Einstein's equations depends viciously on coordinates.
- ▶ Thus pseudotensor laws don't depend viciously on coordinates.
- ▶ Pseudotensor laws give invariant localization of energy.
- ▶ Another way to see that pseudotensor localization is real.

Angular Momentum Localization

- ▶ Generalization straightforward: invariant ∞ -component angular momentum. Depends on x^μ explicitly.
- ▶ Matrix $diag(-1, 1, 1, 1)$ helps with angular momentum (Chang et al., 2000) (*c.f.*) (Goldberg, 1958).
- ▶ Symmetric total energy-momentum $\sqrt{-g}\mathfrak{T}^{\mu\nu}$ gives angular momentum complex $\mathfrak{M}^{\mu\nu\alpha} =_{def} \sqrt{-g}\mathfrak{T}^{\mu\nu}x^\alpha - \sqrt{-g}\mathfrak{T}^{\mu\alpha}x^\nu$.
- ▶ $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu}\mathfrak{M}^{\mu\nu\alpha} = 0$ due to $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^\mu}(\sqrt{-g}\mathfrak{T}^{\mu\nu}) = 0$ and $\mathfrak{T}^{[\mu\nu]} = 0$.
- ▶ Choice of pseudotensor (Katz et al., 1997; Nester, 2004) affects distributions of angular momenta.
- ▶ Using $\{(\nabla\eta_{\rho\sigma})\eta_{\rho\sigma}\}$, position 4-vectors replace x^μ .

Conceptual Benefits of Local Energy Conservation

Lack of local energy conservation in GR in general or Big Bang cosmology has been invoked for unwarranted conclusions, such as:

1. GR is false (Logunov and Folomeshkin, 1977; Logunov et al., 1986)—addressed in (Faddeev, 1982; Zel'dovich and Grishchuk, 1988; Grishchuk, 1990);
2. Big Bang cosmology is false (by Robert Gentry)—addressed in (Pitts, 2004a; Pitts, 2004b);
3. Big Bang cosmology is plausibly true and yet violates a principle so fundamental as to transcend physics into metaphysics (Bunge, 2000);

4. Big Bang cosmology is a heat sink for anomalous terrestrial heat (by D. Russell Humphreys)—addressed in (Pitts, 2009b);
5. GR makes it easier than other theories for souls to affect bodies (Collins, 2008)—addressed in (Pitts, 2009a);
6. Universes with zero total energy can pop into being without violating energy conservation (Tryon, 1973; Thirring, 2003).
 - ▶ Concerning **6**, *all* energy densities needed for gauge invariance must vanish; impossible except maybe in boring cases.
 - ▶ Detailed analysis undermines these 6 conclusions, if one tries. But new claims keep arising.
 - ▶ Play with matches and keep fire extinguishers handy?
 - ▶ Such claims would be unthinkable in ordinary field theories due to well-known gauge-invariant local conservation laws.

Conclusions

- ▶ Ironic that Einstein took energy conservation as criterion for GR equations, yet GR is widely held to have no such law.
- ▶ Irony resolved by ∞ -component gauge-invariant localization.
- ▶ Natural bases, not just metric, determine energies.
- ▶ GR logically equivalent to conservation of ∞ many energies, hence *more* conserving of energy than other theories.
- ▶ Gauge (in)dependence largely orthogonal to question of 'right answers' for the conserved quantities.
- ▶ Non-uniqueness of relocalizing (Anderson, 1967), as in other field theories. Maybe case-by-case (Nester, 2004).
- ▶ Best functional form technically, make covariant in above way.

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