

Eleven Dimension Supergravity Equations on Edge Manifolds

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Supergravity Equations

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$$\begin{cases} R_{\alpha\beta} &= \frac{1}{12}(F_{\alpha\gamma_1\gamma_2\gamma_3}F_{\beta}^{\gamma_1\gamma_2\gamma_3} - \frac{1}{12}F_{\gamma_1\gamma_2\gamma_3\gamma_4}F^{\gamma_1\gamma_2\gamma_3\gamma_4}g_{\alpha\beta}) \\ d * F &= -\frac{1}{2}F \wedge F \\ dF &= 0 \end{cases}$$

Result overview

All the smooth solutions in edge form with a given conformal infinity near the Freund-Rubin solution are parametrized by a 3-form and two functions on the bounding 6-sphere of \mathbb{B}^7 .

Background: physics

- From the representation of super Lie algebra [[Kac, 1978](#)]
- Eleven is the maximal dimension in order to be physical [[Nahm, 1975](#)]
- Existence shown in [[Cremmer-Scherk, 1977](#)]
- Lower dimension cases can be obtained through dimension reductions that yield more smaller pieces [[Nieuwenhuizen, 1985](#)]
- Recent development in relation with AdS/CFT correspondence [[Witten, 1997](#)] [[Blau-Figueroa-O'Farrill-Papadopoulos, 2002](#)]
- Generalization of Einstein equations on a manifold

$$\text{Ric}(g) = (n - 1)Rg$$

- Change of signature: Lorentzian to Riemannian by complexifying the time direction: $t \rightarrow i * t$

Derivation of Supergravity Equations

Euler-Lagrange equations from the following Lagrangian

$$L(g, A) = \int_M R dV_g - \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_M F \wedge *F + \int_M \frac{1}{3} A \wedge F \wedge F \right).$$

- Three terms: classical Einstein-Hilbert action, Yang-Mills type, Maxwell type
- A is a 3-form such that F is the field strength $F = dA$, need not to be globally defined

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$$d * F = -\frac{1}{2}F \wedge F$$
$$dF = 0$$

Remark

If $F = 0$, then any Einstein vacuum solutions would solve the equations.

A family of product solutions

X^7 : Einstein manifold with negative scalar curvature $\alpha < 0$.

K^4 : Einstein manifold with positive scalar curvature $\beta > 0$.

Consider $M = X \times K$, then

$$R_{\alpha\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 6\alpha g_{AB}^X & 0 \\ 0 & 3\beta g_{ab}^K \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $F = c \text{Vol}_K$. The contraction part is then

$$(F \circ F)_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{c^2}{12} \begin{pmatrix} -2g_{AB}^X & 0 \\ 0 & 4g_{ab}^K \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore any set (c, α, β) satisfying

$$-c^2/6 = 6\alpha, c^2/3 = 3\beta$$

corresponds to a solution.

Freund-Rubin solution

The parameters

$$-c^2/6 = 6\alpha, c^2/3 = 3\beta$$

give a family of solutions $(X^7 \times K^4, c \text{Vol}_K)$ with

$$\text{Ric}(X^7) = 6\alpha g_X, \text{Ric}(K^4) = 3\beta g_K.$$

In particular, when $c = 6$ there is the following product solution

Definition (Freund-Rubin solution)

The Freund-Rubin Solution is defined on $\mathbb{B}^7 \times \mathbb{S}^4$ as

$$(g_0, V_0) = (g_{\mathbb{H}^7} \times \frac{1}{4}g_{\mathbb{S}^4}, 6 \text{Vol}_{\mathbb{S}^4})$$

Review: Poincaré-Einstein metric on the n-ball

Poincaré-Einstein metric: Einstein metric with a conformal infinity.

Definition (Conformal infinity)

For \hat{g} a metric on ∂M , we say a metric g on M has a conformal infinity $[\hat{g}]$ if for a boundary defining function x , x^2g extends to \bar{M} and is conformal to \hat{g} on ∂M .

Existence of Poincaré-Einstein metric near the standard hyperbolic metric on \mathbb{B}^{n+1} :

Theorem [Graham-Lee, 1991]

Let \hat{h} be the standard metric on \mathbb{S}^n . For any smooth Riemannian metric \hat{g} on \mathbb{S}^n which is sufficiently close to \hat{h} in $C^{2,\alpha}$ norm if $n > 4$ or $C^{3,\alpha}$ norm if $n = 3$, for some $0 < \alpha < 1$, there exists a smooth metric g on the interior of M , with conformal infinity $[\hat{g}]$ and satisfies $\text{Ric}(g) = -ng$.

Review of the Poincaré-Einstein Proof

Proof.

- Use DeTurck term $\phi(t, g)$ to break the gauge
- Compute the linearization of the operator $Q = \text{Ric} - \phi(t, g) + n$
- Using indicial roots computation and Cheng-Yau Maximum Principle [[Cheng-Yau, 1980](#)] to show that dQ is an isomorphism between weighted Sobolev spaces
- Then use a perturbation argument to show that the nonlinear operator Q is a bijection between the boundary parameter and the Einstein metric.



Edge manifold

Edge operator theory [Mazzeo, 1991] is introduced on a compact manifold M with boundary, where the boundary has a fibration structure:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} F & \longrightarrow & \partial M \\ & & \downarrow \pi \\ & & B \end{array}$$

- Edge vector fields are regular in the interior and parallel to fibers on the boundary. In local coordinates, Lie algebra \mathcal{V}_e is spanned by $\{x\partial_x, x\partial_{y^l}, \partial_{z^j}\}$.
- By duality, edge bundles are given by tensor products of $\{dx/x, dy^l/x, dz^j\}$
- The edge metric is of the form

$$g = a_{00} \frac{dx^2}{x^2} + a_{0l} \frac{dx dy^l}{x^2} + a_{lJ} \frac{dy^l dy^J}{x^2} + a_{0j} \frac{dx dz^j}{x} + a_{lj} \frac{dy^l dz^j}{x} + a_{ij} dz^i dz^j.$$

Edge Sobolev Space

Definition (Edge Sobolev space)

On an edge manifold M , the edge Sobolev space $H_e^s(M)$ is defined as

$$H_e^s(M) = \{u \in L^2(M) \mid V_e^k u \in L^2(M), V_e \in \mathcal{V}_e(M), 0 \leq k \leq s\}$$

Another related Lie algebra is the b-vector field \mathcal{V}_b [Melrose, 1992], which is tangent to the boundary, and spanned locally by $\{x\partial_x, \partial_y, \partial_z\}$.

Definition (Weighted hybrid Sobolev space)

$$x^\delta H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M) = \{x^\delta u \in H_e^s(M) \mid V_b^i u \in H_e^s(M), V_b \in \mathcal{V}_b, 0 \leq i \leq k\}$$

Semi-Fredholm property of elliptic edge operator

- Elliptic edge operator $L = \sum_{j+|\alpha|+|\beta|\leq m} a_{j,\alpha,\beta} (x\partial_x)^j (x\partial_y)^\alpha (\partial_z)^\beta$ is defined for the principal edge symbol

$$\sum_{j+|\alpha|+|\beta|=m} a_{j,\alpha,\beta} \xi_1^j \xi_2^\alpha \xi_3^\beta$$

- Example: Laplacian on $\mathbb{H}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^1$

Theorem [Mazzeo, 1991]

If an elliptic edge operator $L \in \text{Diff}_e^m(M)$ has two properties:

- (a) Constant indicial roots over the boundary;
- (b) Its normal operator L_0 and adjoint L_0^t has the unique continuation property,

then L is essentially injective (resp. surjective) on $x^\delta H_e^k(M)$ for a weight parameter $\delta \gg 0$ (resp. $\delta \ll 0$) with $\delta \notin \Lambda = \{\text{Re } \theta + 1/2 : \theta \in \text{spec}_b L\}$, and in either case has closed range.

Main theorem

Define three bundles over $\mathbb{S}^6 = \partial\mathbb{B}^7$:

$$V_1 := \{v_1 \in C^\infty(\mathbb{S}^6; \bigwedge^3 T^*\mathbb{S}^6) : *_{\mathbb{S}^6} v_1 = i v_1\}.$$

$$V_2 := \{v_2 \otimes \xi_{16} : v_2 \in C^\infty(\mathbb{S}^6; \mathbb{R}), \xi_{16} \in E_{16}^{cl}(\mathbb{S}^4)\}$$

$$V_3 := \{v_3 \otimes \xi_{40} : v_3 \in C^\infty(\mathbb{S}^6; \mathbb{R}), \xi_{40} \in E_{40}^{cl}(\mathbb{S}^4)\}$$

Theorem

For $k \gg 0$, $\delta \in (0, 1)$, $s \geq 2$, fixing a conformal infinity $[\hat{h}]$ that is close to $[\hat{g}_0]$ at the boundary \mathbb{S}^6 , then given any smooth section $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ of the bundle $\bigoplus_{i=1}^3 V_i$ with a sufficiently small H^k norm, there is a unique $(g, F) \in C^\infty(M; \text{Sym}^2({}^e T^*M) \oplus {}^e \bigwedge^4 T^*M)$ such that

- (a) $(g - g_0, F - V_0) \in x^{-\delta} H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M; W)$ and has a leading expansion given by v ;
- (b) (g, F) satisfy the supergravity equation $S(g, F) = 0$ with g having the conformal infinity $[\hat{h}]$.

Gauge term

We apply the DeTurck type term: $\phi_{(g,t)} = \delta_t^*(tg)^{-1} \delta_t G_t g$ to get the full nonlinear system

$$Q : S^2(T^*M) \oplus \bigwedge_{cl}^4(M) \rightarrow S^2(T^*M) \oplus \bigwedge_{cl}^4(M)$$
$$\begin{pmatrix} g \\ F \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \text{Ric}(g) - \phi_{(g,t)} - F \circ F \\ d^*(d^*F + \frac{1}{2}F \wedge F) \end{pmatrix}$$

Then we get the following gauge elimination:

Proposition (Gauge elimination lemma)

If (k,H) satisfies the linearized equation $dQ_g(k,H) = 0$, then we can find a 1-form v and $\tilde{k} = k + L_{v\sharp}g$ such that $dS_g(\tilde{k}, H) = 0$.

Linearization of the gauged operator

The operator $Q : W \rightarrow W$ has the following linearization at the point (g_0, V_0) :

$$dQ_{g_0, V_0} : \Gamma(\text{Sym}^2({}^e T^* M) \oplus {}^e \wedge^4(M)) \rightarrow \Gamma(\text{Sym}^2({}^e T^* M) \oplus {}^e \wedge^4(M))$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} k \\ H \end{pmatrix} \mapsto \begin{pmatrix} \Delta k + \text{LOT} \\ d * (d * H + 6V_S \wedge H + 6d *_H k_{1,1} + 3d(7\sigma - 4\tau) \wedge V_H) \end{pmatrix}$$

where the lower order term matrix LOT is as follows:

$$\text{LOT} = \begin{pmatrix} -k_{IJ} - 6Tr_S(k)t_{IJ} & 6k_{1,1} - 3*_S H_{1,3} \\ +Tr_H(k)t_{IJ} + 2*_S H_{(0,4)}t_{IJ} & 4k_{ij} + 8Tr_S(k)t_{ij} \\ 6k_{1,1} - 3*_S H_{1,3} & -*_S H_{0,4}t_{ij} \end{pmatrix}$$

Splitting with the product structure

- From the form equation

$$6d_H * 7k_{(1,1)} + 3d_S (Tr_{H^7}(k) - Tr_{S^4}(k)) \wedge^7 V + d_S * H_{(0,4)} + d_H * H_{(1,3)} = 0$$

$$d_S * H_{(1,3)} + d_H * H_{(2,2)} + 6d_S * 7k_{(1,1)} = 0$$

$$d_S * H_{(2,2)} + d_H * H_{(3,1)} = 0$$

$$d_S * H_{(3,1)} + d_H * H_{(4,0)} + W \wedge H_{(4,0)} = 0$$

- From the metric equation:

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta_S k_{lj} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta_H k_{lj} + 6k_{lj} - 3 *_S H_{(1,3)} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (\Delta_S + \Delta_H) k_{IJ} - k_{IJ} - 6 Tr_S(k) t_{IJ} + Tr_H(k) t_{IJ} + 2 H_{(0,4)} t_{IJ} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (\Delta_S + \Delta_H) k_{ij} + 4k_{ij} + 8 Tr_S(k) t_{ij} - H_{(0,4)} t_{ij} = 0$$

Indicial operator: introduction

Definition (Indicial operator)

Let $L : \Gamma(E_1) \rightarrow \Gamma(E_2)$ be an edge operator between two vector bundles over M . For any boundary point $p \in B$, and $s \in \mathbb{C}$, the indicial operator of L at point p is defined as

$$I_p[L](s) : \Gamma(E_1|_{\pi^{-1}(p)}) \rightarrow \Gamma(E_2|_{\pi^{-1}(p)})$$

$$(I_p[L](s))v = x^{-s}L(x^s\tilde{v})|_{\pi^{-1}(p)}$$

where \tilde{v} is an extension of v to a neighborhood of $\pi^{-1}(p)$. The indicial roots of L at point p are those $s \in \mathbb{C}$ such that $I_p[L](s)$ has a nontrivial kernel. And the corresponding kernels are called indicial kernels.

Indicial operator computation for dQ

- In general, indicial operators are partial differential operators. However for conformally compact case $I_p[L](s)$ is a bundle map
- Intuition: leading expansions of solutions for ODE
- Example: Laplacian on hyperbolic space \mathbb{H}^{n+1} , consider the solution to

$$[\Delta - \alpha(n - \alpha)]f = 0$$

with asymptotic $x^{-\beta}f|_{\partial M} = h$. The indicial operator in this case is

$$I[L](s) = -s^2 + ns - \alpha(n - \alpha)$$

which gives indicial roots $s = \alpha$ and $s = n - \alpha$. h and β must satisfy

$$[-\beta^2 + n\beta - \alpha(n - \alpha)]h = 0$$

which means either $h = 0$ or β must be one of the indicial roots.

- So the indicial operator determines what order the asymptotic expansion the solution can take.

Hodge Decomposition on \mathbb{S}^4

- The linear operator commutes with $\Delta_{\mathbb{S}^4}$
- dQ projects to eigenspaces

$$dQ = \sum_{\lambda \geq 0} dQ^\lambda := \sum_{\lambda} \pi_\lambda \circ dQ \circ \pi_\lambda$$

- Eigenvalues on 4-sphere (rescaled by 4 due to the metric)
 - Eigenvalues on functions: $4k(k + 3)$;
 - Eigenvalues on closed one-forms: $4(k + 1)(k + 4)$;
 - Eigenvalues on coclosed one-forms: $4(k + 2)(k + 3)$.

Indicial roots result

With the Hodge decomposition, the linear blocks decompose further. And the indicial roots are computed for each subspace.

Proposition

(a) *The indicial roots of the linearized equations appear in pairs, symmetric around the line $\Re z = 3$.*

(b) *They are separated away from L^2 , except three pairs*

- $\theta_1 = 3 \pm 6i$, indicial kernel V_1
- $\theta_2 = 3 \pm i\sqrt{21116145}/1655$, indicial kernel V_2
- $\theta_3 = 3 \pm i3\sqrt{582842}/20098$, indicial kernel V_3

Indicial roots not on the L^2 line

Proposition

For any weight $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and any orders k, l , the bounded operator defined as

$$dQ : x^s H_{e,b}^{k+2,l}(\mathbb{B}^7 \times \mathbb{S}^4; W) \rightarrow x^s H_{e,b}^{k,l}(\mathbb{B}^7 \times \mathbb{S}^4; W)$$

is such that $\pi_{\geq \lambda} dQ$ is an isomorphism onto the range of $\pi_{\geq \lambda}$ for some $\lambda \in [0, \infty)$ (depending on s but not on k and l).

- Using [Mazzeo, 1991]: parametrix construction for elliptic edge operator

$$\text{Id} - dQ \circ E, \text{Id} - E \circ dQ \in \Psi_e^{-\infty}(M; W)$$

- Residue bounded: for some s, p, k , $\Psi_e^{-\infty} \subset x^s H_{e,b}^{p,k}(M)$ which is contained in an L^2 space.
- Then use Plancherel to show decay of $R^{\geq \lambda}$ for large λ , which shows $(dQ \circ E)^{\geq \lambda}$ an isomorphism.

Individual eigenvalues not on the L^2 line

Lemma

For $\lambda > 40$, $dQ^\lambda : \pi_\lambda x^\delta H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M; W) \rightarrow \pi_\lambda x^\delta H_{e,b}^{s-2,k}(M; W)$ is Fredholm for $\delta \in (-1, 1)$ and any s, k . And for $\delta > 0$, dQ^λ is injective on $\pi_\lambda x^\delta H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M; W)$ and surjective on $\pi_\lambda x^{-\delta} H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M; W)$.

- Use normal operator (ODE) as an isomorphism
- No finite dimensional L^2 eigenspaces for functions and tensors on \mathbb{H}^7 .

Scattering on \mathbb{H}^n

The scattering matrix of (X, g) is a meromorphic family $S(s)$ of pseudodifferential operators on X defined in terms of the behaviour at infinity of solutions of $(\Delta_g - s(n-s))u = 0$. More explicitly, consider the solution

$$[\Delta_g - s(n-s)]u = 0, u = Fx^{n-s} + Gx^s$$

then the scattering matrix $S(s)$ is defined as the operator

$$S(s) : F|_{\partial X} \rightarrow G|_{\partial X}.$$

Graham and Zworski [[Graham-Zworski, 2003](#)] gave the description of scattering matrix in hyperbolic space:

$$S(s) = 2^{n-2s} \frac{\Gamma(n/2 - s)}{\Gamma(s - n/2)} \Delta_{S^6}^{s-n/2},$$

Individual eigenvalues on the L^2 line

For $\lambda = 0, 16, 40$, we construct two generalized inverses

$$R_{\pm}^{\lambda} = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} (dQ^{\lambda} \pm i\epsilon)^{-1}.$$

- $R_{+} \circ dQ = R_{-} \circ dQ = Id$.
- $(R_{+} - R_{-})$ characterize the real-valued kernel in the base case.
- Transversality: use $(R_{+} + R_{-})$ to give a real-valued parametrization in implicit function theorem.

Implicit function theorem: Domain

Definition (Domain of nonlinear operator)

For a Poincaré-Einstein metric h that is close to the base hyperbolic metric and a set of parameters $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$ in bundle V , the domain $D_{h,v}$ of the nonlinear operator is defined as

$$D_{h,v} := \left\{ \frac{1}{2}(R_+ + R_-)f + Pv : f \in x^\delta H_{e,b}^{0,k}(M; W) \right\}.$$

Then we show that the nonlinear terms are all of lower order:

Lemma

The product type nonlinear terms: $F \circ F - d(F \circ F)$, $F \wedge F - d(F \wedge F)$, and $\text{Ric} - d(\text{Ric})$ are all contained in $x^\delta H_{e,b}^{2,k}(M; W)$.

Using the fact that, for k large enough and $r \geq -3$, $x^r H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M)$ is an algebra.

Implicit function theorem

Consider the map

$$Q_{h,v} \cdot \circ (dQ_{0,0})^{-1} : \bigoplus_{i=1}^3 V_i \times x^\delta H_{e,b}^{0,k}(M; W) \rightarrow x^\delta H_{e,b}^{0,k}(M; W)$$

$$(v, f) \mapsto Q_{h,v} \circ (dQ_{0,0})^{-1}(f)$$

Using implicit function theorem, there is a continuous differentiable map $g : U_1 \rightarrow U_2$ for $U_1 \subset \bigoplus V_i$, $U_2 \subset x^\delta H_{e,b}^{0,k}(M; W)$ such that

$$Q_{h,v} \cdot (dQ_{0,0})^{-1}(g(v)) = 0.$$

Theorem

For any $\delta \in (0, 1)$, $s \geq 2$, $k \gg 0$ there exists $\rho > 0$, such that, for a Poincaré-Einstein metric h that is sufficiently close to the base metric g_0 , for each small boundary value perturbation $v = \bigoplus_{i=1}^3 v_i^+$ with $\|v\|_{H_b^k(M; \bigoplus V_i)} < \rho$, there is a unique solution $(g, F) \in D_{v,h} \subset x^{-\delta} H_{e,b}^{s,k}(M; W)$ satisfying the supergravity equations $S(g, F) = 0$ with the following leading expansion

$$(g, F) = (h, 6 \text{Vol}_{\mathbb{S}^4}) + \sum_{i=1}^3 v_i^+ \xi_i x^{\theta_i^+} + v_i^+ S_i(v_i^+) \xi_i x^{\theta_i^-}$$

Some further questions

- 1 Physics meaning of the three pairs of parameters in physics (Change of gravity, change of field strength)
- 2 The metric is Riemannian, what about the Lorentzian metric case, i.e. $AdS^7 \times S^4$?
- 3 Instead of representing the spacetime by S^4 , one other family of solutions are given on $AdS^4 \times S^7$, any other solutions near that point?

Thank you for your attention!

