

What is the correct definition of entropy for general relativistic field theory?

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→ Entropy allows us to describe the laws of thermodynamics most concisely.

I. (Energy conservation)

$$TdS = dU + pdV$$

II. (Monotonic increase of entropy)

$$dS \geq 0$$

III. (Nernst-Planck's theorem)

$$\lim_{T \rightarrow 0} S = 0$$



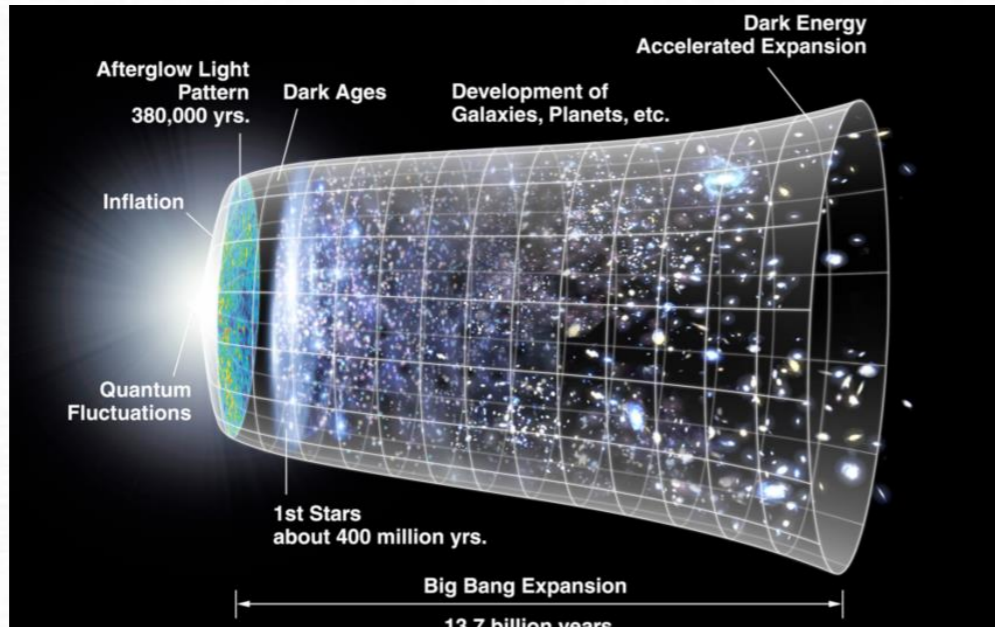
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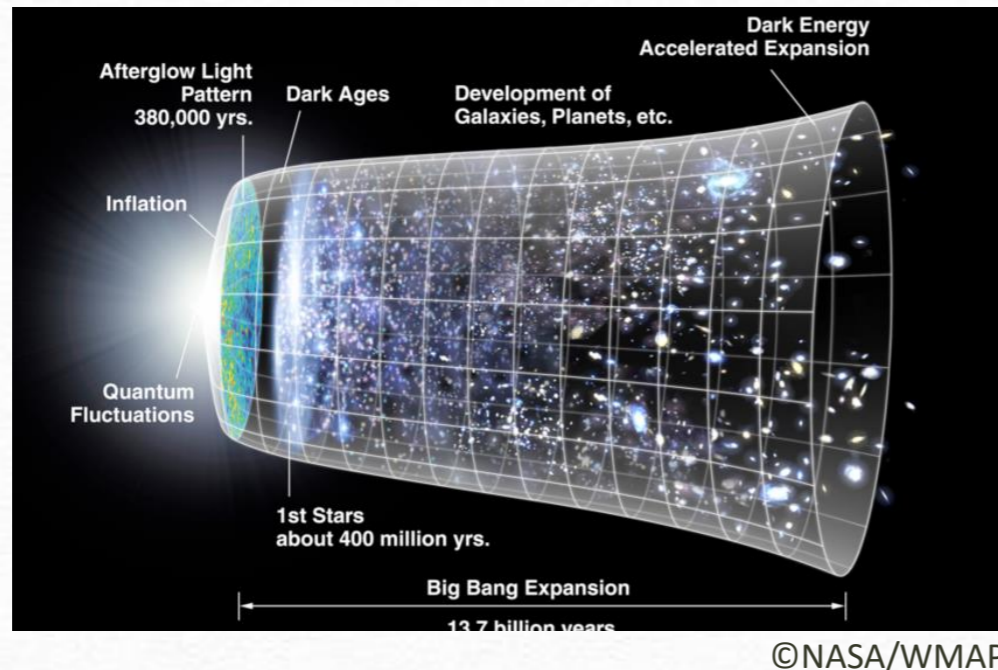
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A precise analysis of these systems needs General Relativity.

Q1 What is the definition of entropy for a system in **curved spacetime**?

Q2 How are laws of thermodynamics modified in **curved spacetime**?

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There is a long history on this issue and remain several proposals.

“pseud-tensor”

“quasi-local energy”

“Komar mass”

[Einstein '16]
[Landau-Lifshitz '47, '75]

[ADM '62] [Bondi '62] [Brown-York '92] [Hawking-Horowitz '95]
[Horowitz-Mayers '98] [Balasubramanian-Kraus '98][Ashtekar-Das '98]...

[Komar '62]

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Our proposal of definition of energy

[Aoki-Onogi-SY '20]

$$E = \int_{\Sigma_t} d^3 \vec{x} \sqrt{|g|} T^0_{\mu}(t, \vec{x}) n^{\mu}(t, \vec{x})$$

n^{μ}

Time evolution vector field

Σ_t

Time slice at an arbitrary time $x^0=t$

g

Determinant of the metric in **the total spacetime**

Comments

- This expression was written in the old textbook of Fock.

The quantity
$$I = \int T^{\mu 0} \varphi_{\mu} \sqrt{(-g)} \cdot dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \quad (49.07)$$

will be constant, i.e. will be independent of x_0 , the coordinate that has the character of time, if the vector φ_{μ} satisfies the equations

$$\nabla_{\nu} \varphi_{\mu} + \nabla_{\mu} \varphi_{\nu} = 0 \quad (49.08)$$

[V. Fock, *The Theory of Space, Time and Gravitation* 1959]

Cf. [Trautman 2002]

- This is **manifestly invariant under general coordinate transformation**.
- This **reduces to the original definition in the flat limit**.

$$E \xrightarrow{g_{\mu\nu}(x) \rightarrow \eta_{\mu\nu}} E = \int_{R^3} d^3 x T^{00}(t, \vec{x})$$

- This **reproduces the masses of well-known black holes**.



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Vladimir Aleksandrovich Fock
Soviet, 1898-1974

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A. **YES** if EM tensor is covariantly conserved $\nabla_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} = 0$

and \exists a vector field to satisfy $T^{\mu}{}_{\nu} \nabla_{\mu} \zeta^{\nu} = 0$

$$\rightarrow \partial_{\nu} s^{\nu} = 0 \quad \text{where} \quad s^{\nu} = \sqrt{|g|} T^{\nu}{}_{\mu} \zeta^{\mu}$$

A wider class of conserved charges including Neother charge!

Cf. [Kodama '80]

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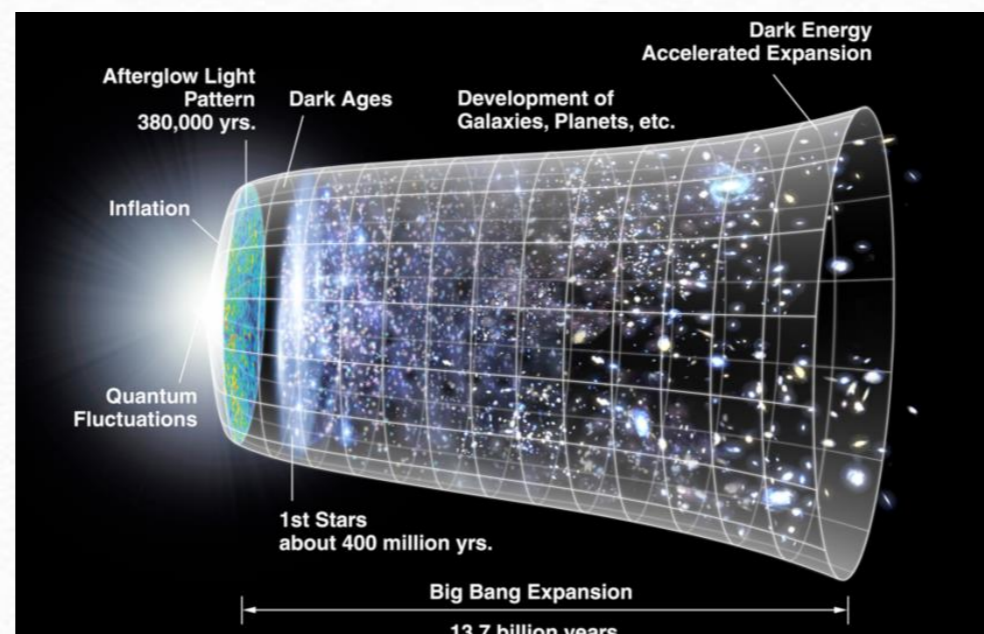
This interpretation leads to the **local Euler's relation** and the **1st law of thermodynamics** for several well-known gravitational systems.

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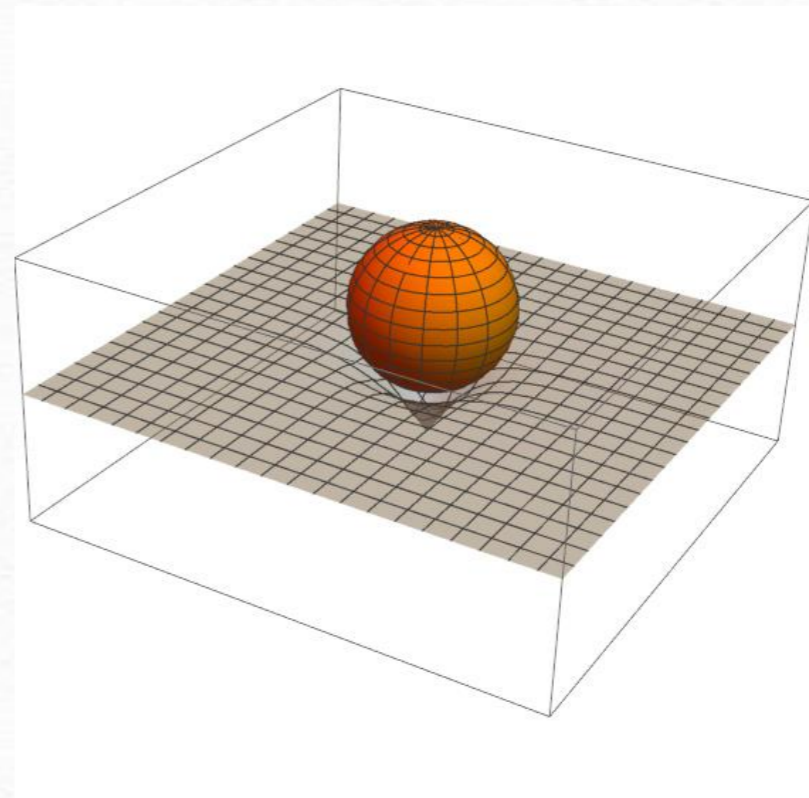
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Comments

- Energy does not conserve, but entropy does conserve. $T \frac{ds}{dt} = \frac{du}{dt} + P \frac{dv}{dt} = 0$
- The “Big-bang nature” of the universe is inevitable and easily seen.
- These properties hold **regardless of any equation of state**. Cf. [Kolb-Turner]

Application 2: Spherically symmetric hydrostatic equilibrium

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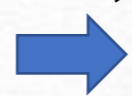


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- Entropy density is a constant. $T \frac{ds}{dr} = \frac{du}{dr} + p \frac{dv}{dr} = 0$

- The local temperature $T \propto 1/\sqrt{f}$ is exactly coincident with that derived by Tolman.

[Tolman '30] Cf. [MTW][Zel'dovich]

- These hold non-perturbatively in the Newton constant.

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Summary

- **A definition of charges whose form was introduced by Fock** in the past was **proposed** as the **precise** one for general relativistic field theory **on curved spacetime**.
- There was found **a new conserved charge different from the Noether one** for GR field theory with energy-momentum covariantly conserved.
- The newly found conserved charge was proposed as **entropy**.
- The proposed interpretation leads to the **local Euler's relation** and the **1st law of thermodynamics** exactly holding in several well-known gravitational systems such as FLRW model and a spherically symmetric hydrostatic equilibrium one.
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