

EMT = energy-momentum tensor

Consider the "physical" or "metric" EMT $T_{\mu\nu} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta S}{\delta g^{\mu\nu}}$
 S : the action of matter fields.

① Compute $T_{\mu\nu}$ for $S = \int \sqrt{-g} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi) \right] \quad \phi \in \mathbb{R}$

$$S_2 = \int \sqrt{-g} \left[+\frac{1}{2} \phi \nabla_\mu \nabla^\mu \phi - V(\phi) \right] \quad \phi \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$S_{EM} = \int \sqrt{g} \left[-\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} \right] \quad F_{\mu\nu} = \nabla_\mu A_\nu - \nabla_\nu A_\mu$$

② For S_{EM} , show that

$$T^{00} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{E}^2 + \mathcal{B}^2) \quad T^{0i} = (\vec{\mathcal{E}} \times \vec{\mathcal{B}})_i \quad T^{ij} = (-\mathcal{E}_i \mathcal{E}_j + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} \mathcal{E}^2) + (-\mathcal{B}_i \mathcal{B}_j + \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ij} \mathcal{B}^2)$$

③ Assuming Maxwell's equations ("on shell") $\partial_\mu F^{\mu\rho} = 0$ ($J^\mu = 0$)
 $\partial_{[\mu} F_{\nu\rho]} = 0$, show that for S_{EM} $\partial_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$

④ Show that diffeomorphism invariance of the Hilbert-Einstein action

$$S^{EH} = \int \sqrt{-g} R$$

implies $\nabla^\mu G_{\mu\nu} = 0$ for the Einstein tensor $G_{\mu\nu}$

(ignore all boundary terms in variations.)

⑤ Consider the action $S = \int \sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}$, $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} + \beta R^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\rho} F_{\nu}{}^\rho$

(a) Compute the equations of motion for the EM field ("Maxwell's eqs")

(b) Compute the modification to Einstein's equation by β . (i.e. the new $T_{\mu\nu}$)

The following problem is not going to be tested. But it is very deserving your effort (see solutions)

Consider a field theory given by $\mathcal{L}(\phi_n, \partial_\mu \phi_n)$ for the fields $\phi_n(x)$, $n=1, 2, \dots$. The canonical EMT is

$$T_{(\omega) \nu}^{\mu} = - \sum_n \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\nu \phi_n)} \delta_\nu \phi_n + \delta^\mu_\nu \mathcal{L},$$

where $\delta_\nu \phi_n$ are the changes of the fields under infinitesimal translations $x^\mu \rightarrow x^\mu + \xi^\mu$ $\phi_n \rightarrow \phi_n + \xi^\nu \delta_\nu \phi_n$

(a) Compute $T_{(\omega) \nu}^{\mu} = - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial (\partial_\nu \phi)} \partial_\nu \phi + \delta^\mu_\nu \mathcal{L}$, $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\phi \in \mathbb{R}} \partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi - V(\phi)$

(β) Compute $T_{(\epsilon)}^{\mu}{}_{\nu} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial(\partial_{\nu} A_{\rho})} \partial_{\nu} A_{\rho} + \delta^{\mu}{}_{\nu} \mathcal{L}$, $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$, $F_{\mu\nu} = \partial_{\mu} A_{\nu} - \partial_{\nu} A_{\mu}$

This corresponds to translations $A_{\rho} \rightarrow A_{\rho} + \xi^{\nu} \partial_{\nu} A_{\rho}$

(γ) Show that

$$T^{\mu}{}_{\nu} = T_{(\epsilon)}^{\mu}{}_{\nu} - F^{\mu\lambda} \partial_{\lambda} A_{\nu} \neq T_{(\epsilon)}^{\mu}{}_{\nu}$$

(δ) Show that for $\delta_{\nu} A_{\rho} = F_{\nu\rho}$ $T^{\mu}{}_{\nu} = T_{(\epsilon)}^{\mu}{}_{\nu}$

Can you justify this choice?