

## Results from Gauge Theory of Gravity

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## Overview

- ① **Aim:** Derive the theory of gravity from first principles along the line of non-Abelian gauge theories.
- ② **Method:** Canonical transformations ensure by construction that the action principle is preserved. Then, an action form-invariant under the diffeomorphism group implements the General Principle of Relativity.
- ③ **Key results:**
  - the connection coefficients are the gauge fields of gravity
  - gauge theory determines the coupling of base fields and gauge fields
  - each type of base field (scalar, vector, tensor, spinor; massive or massless) has its particular coupling term
  - the Lagrangian/Hamiltonian for the “free” spacetime dynamics must be postulated
  - Einstein’s General Relativity is the particular case of
    - (i) Hilbert Lagrangian (Ricci scalar) for the “free” spacetime dynamics
    - (ii) scalar or massless vector base fields

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## Minimal Set of Basic Principles

- ① **Action Principle:** The system dynamics follows from the variation of its action  $S$ , namely  $\delta S \stackrel{!}{=} 0$ .
- ② **Special Principle of Relativity:** The action integrand must be form-invariant (symmetric) under (global) Lorentz transformations.
- ③ **General Principle of Relativity:** The action integrand must be form-invariant (symmetric) under local Lorentz transformations.
- ④ **Gauge Principle:** Promoting a global symmetry of a given system to a local symmetry by adding appropriate gauge fields yields a theory which is realized in nature.
- ⑤ **Quadratic Momentum:** The action integrand should contain a quadratic momentum term for the dynamics of the gravitational field — in analogy to the dynamics of all other fields.

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## Hamiltonian action principle for static spacetime

Action principle for a system of real scalar and vector fields (static metric)

$$S = \int_{\Omega} \left( \pi^{\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\alpha}} + p^{\beta\alpha} \frac{\partial a_{\beta}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} - \mathcal{H}(\pi^{\mu}, \phi, p^{\nu\mu}, a_{\nu}, x^{\mu}) \right) d^4x$$

with

$$\delta S \stackrel{!}{=} 0, \quad \delta \phi|_{\partial\Omega} = \delta a_{\mu}|_{\partial\Omega} \stackrel{!}{=} 0.$$

Calculus of variations:  $\delta S = 0$  holds exactly for the solutions of the

Covariant canonical field equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dq_i}{dt} &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p^i} & \rightarrow & \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\mu}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \pi^{\mu}}, & \frac{\partial a_{\nu}}{\partial x^{\mu}} &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial p^{\nu\mu}} \\ \frac{dp^i}{dt} &= -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial q_i} & \rightarrow & \frac{\partial \pi^{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} = -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial \phi}, & \frac{\partial p^{\nu\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} &= -\frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial a_{\nu}} \\ \frac{de}{dt} &= \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial t} \Big|_{\text{expl}} & \rightarrow & \frac{\partial \theta_{\mu}^{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{H}}{\partial x^{\mu}} \Big|_{\text{expl}}, & \theta_{\mu}^{\alpha} &: \text{can. E-M tensor} \end{aligned}$$

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## Hamiltonian action principle for **dynamic** spacetime

Action principle generalized for a dynamic metric

$$S = \int_{\Omega} \left( \tilde{\pi}^{\alpha} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\alpha}} + \tilde{p}^{\beta\alpha} \frac{\partial a_{\beta}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} + \tilde{k}^{\beta\lambda\alpha} \frac{\partial g_{\beta\lambda}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} - \tilde{\mathcal{H}}(\tilde{\pi}, \phi, \tilde{p}, a, \tilde{k}, g, x) \right) d^4x$$

with  $\sqrt{-g} d^4x$  the **invariant volume form** and the **tensor densities**

$$\tilde{\pi}^{\mu} = \pi^{\mu} \sqrt{-g}, \quad \tilde{p}^{\mu\nu} = p^{\mu\nu} \sqrt{-g}, \quad \tilde{k}^{\mu\lambda\nu} = k^{\mu\lambda\nu} \sqrt{-g}, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{H}} = \mathcal{H} \sqrt{-g}.$$

$g_{\beta\lambda}(x)$  denotes the system's metric and  $g$  the metric's determinant.

Extended set of covariant canonical field equations

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\mu}} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \tilde{\pi}^{\mu}}, & \frac{\partial a_{\nu}}{\partial x^{\mu}} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \tilde{p}^{\nu\mu}}, & \frac{\partial g_{\nu\lambda}}{\partial x^{\mu}} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \tilde{k}^{\nu\lambda\mu}} \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{\pi}^{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \phi}, & \frac{\partial \tilde{p}^{\nu\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial a_{\nu}}, & \frac{\partial \tilde{k}^{\nu\lambda\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial g_{\nu\lambda}} = -\frac{1}{2} \tilde{T}^{\lambda\nu}. \end{aligned}$$

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## Klein-Gordon Hamiltonian in a dynamic spacetime

Example (Hamiltonian for the dynamics of a real scalar field)

The **Klein-Gordon Hamiltonian** with spacetime-dependent metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}(x)$  is

$$\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{KG}}(\tilde{\pi}, \phi, g) = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\pi}^{\alpha} \tilde{\pi}^{\beta} g_{\alpha\beta} \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} + \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 \sqrt{-g},$$

the field equations emerge as

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\nu}} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{KG}}}{\partial \tilde{\pi}^{\nu}} = g_{\nu\beta} \frac{\tilde{\pi}^{\beta}}{\sqrt{-g}} = \pi_{\nu}, & \phi_{;\nu} &= \pi_{\nu} \\ \frac{\partial \tilde{\pi}^{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{KG}}}{\partial \phi} = -m^2 \phi \sqrt{-g}, & \tilde{\pi}^{\alpha}{}_{;\alpha} &= -m^2 \phi \sqrt{-g} + 2\tilde{\pi}^{\alpha} s^{\beta}{}_{\alpha\beta} \\ T^{\mu\nu} &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{KG}}}{\partial g_{\nu\mu}} = \pi^{\mu} \pi^{\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \left( \pi^{\alpha} \pi^{\beta} g_{\alpha\beta} - m^2 \phi^2 \right) \end{aligned}$$

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## Requirement of form-invariance for the action principle

For a gauge theory that includes a general mapping of spacetime  $x \mapsto X$ , we need the **connection coefficients**  $\gamma^{\eta}{}_{\alpha\xi}$  as **additional dynamic quantities**

Condition for canonical transformations under a dynamical spacetime

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \int_{\Omega} \left( \tilde{\pi}^{\beta} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x^{\beta}} + \tilde{p}^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial a_{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\beta}} + \tilde{k}^{\alpha\lambda\beta} \frac{\partial g_{\alpha\lambda}}{\partial x^{\beta}} + \tilde{q}_{\eta}{}^{\alpha\xi\beta} \frac{\partial \gamma^{\eta}{}_{\alpha\xi}}{\partial x^{\beta}} - \tilde{\mathcal{H}} - \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_1^{\beta}}{\partial x^{\beta}} \right) d^4x \\ &= \int_{\Omega'} \left( \tilde{\Pi}^{\beta} \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial X^{\beta}} + \tilde{P}^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial A_{\alpha}}{\partial X^{\beta}} + \tilde{K}^{\alpha\lambda\beta} \frac{\partial G_{\alpha\lambda}}{\partial X^{\beta}} + \tilde{Q}_{\eta}{}^{\alpha\xi\beta} \frac{\partial \Gamma^{\eta}{}_{\alpha\xi}}{\partial X^{\beta}} - \tilde{\mathcal{H}}' \right) d^4X \end{aligned}$$

- The integrands must be **world scalar densities** in order to be form-invariant under general spacetime transformations.
- $\rightsquigarrow$  The **partial** derivatives must be promoted to **covariant** derivatives.
- $\rightsquigarrow$  The **connection coefficients**  $\gamma, \Gamma$  are the **gauge quantities**.
- $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_1^{\beta}$  is the **generating function** of the canonical transformation  $x \mapsto X$ .

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## General CT rules under dynamic spacetime

Legendre transf.:  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_1^{\mu}(\phi, \Phi, a, A, g, G, \gamma, \Gamma, x) \mapsto \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\mu}(\tilde{\pi}, \Phi, \tilde{p}, A, \tilde{k}, G, \tilde{q}, \Gamma, x)$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Pi}^{\mu} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\kappa}}{\partial \Phi} \frac{\partial X^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\kappa}} \bigg|_{\frac{\partial X}{\partial x}} & \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} \phi &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\mu}}{\partial \tilde{\pi}^{\nu}} \\ \tilde{P}^{\nu\mu} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\kappa}}{\partial A_{\nu}} \frac{\partial X^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\kappa}} \bigg|_{\frac{\partial X}{\partial x}} & \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} a_{\alpha} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\mu}}{\partial \tilde{p}^{\alpha\nu}} \\ \tilde{K}^{\xi\lambda\mu} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\kappa}}{\partial G_{\xi\lambda}} \frac{\partial X^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\kappa}} \bigg|_{\frac{\partial X}{\partial x}} & \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} g_{\alpha\beta} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\mu}}{\partial \tilde{k}^{\alpha\beta\nu}} \\ \tilde{Q}_{\eta}{}^{\xi\lambda\mu} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\kappa}}{\partial \Gamma^{\eta}{}_{\xi\lambda}} \frac{\partial X^{\mu}}{\partial x^{\kappa}} \bigg|_{\frac{\partial X}{\partial x}} & \delta_{\nu}^{\mu} \gamma^{\eta}{}_{\alpha\beta} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\mu}}{\partial \tilde{q}_{\eta}{}^{\alpha\beta\nu}} \\ \bigg|_{\frac{\partial X}{\partial x}} &:= \frac{\partial(x^0, \dots, x^3)}{\partial(X^0, \dots, X^3)} = \frac{\sqrt{-G}}{\sqrt{-g}} & \tilde{\mathcal{H}}' &= \left( \tilde{\mathcal{H}} + \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^{\alpha}}{\partial x^{\alpha}} \bigg|_{\text{expl}} \right) \bigg|_{\frac{\partial X}{\partial x}} \end{aligned}$$

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## Generating function

The generating function  $\tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^\mu$  is **devised** to define the required mappings

$$\Phi(X) = \phi(x), \quad A_\mu(X) = a_\alpha(x) \frac{\partial x^\alpha}{\partial X^\mu}, \quad G_{\nu\mu}(X) = g_{\alpha\lambda}(x) \frac{\partial x^\alpha}{\partial X^\nu} \frac{\partial x^\lambda}{\partial X^\mu}$$

and

$$\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\kappa(X) = \gamma_{\eta\tau}^\xi(x) \frac{\partial x^\eta}{\partial X^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^\tau}{\partial X^\beta} \frac{\partial X^\kappa}{\partial x^\xi} + \frac{\partial^2 x^\xi}{\partial X^\alpha \partial X^\beta} \frac{\partial X^\kappa}{\partial x^\xi}.$$

It is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^\mu \Big|_x &= -\tilde{\pi}^\mu \Phi - \tilde{p}^{\alpha\mu} A_\beta \frac{\partial X^\beta}{\partial x^\alpha} - \tilde{k}^{\alpha\beta\mu} G_{\xi\lambda} \frac{\partial X^\xi}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} \\ &\quad - \tilde{q}_\eta^{\alpha\beta\mu} \left( \Gamma_{\xi\lambda}^\tau \frac{\partial x^\eta}{\partial X^\tau} \frac{\partial X^\xi}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial X^\lambda}{\partial x^\beta} + \frac{\partial x^\eta}{\partial X^\tau} \frac{\partial^2 X^\tau}{\partial x^\alpha \partial x^\beta} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$\rightsquigarrow \tilde{\mathcal{F}}_3^\beta$  **simultaneously** defines the transformation rules for the conjugate momentum fields  $\tilde{\pi}$ ,  $\tilde{p}$ ,  $\tilde{k}$ ,  $\tilde{q}$  and for the Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$ .

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## The "free" gauge field Hamiltonian $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$

As common to all gauge theories,

- the gauge formalism yields merely the **coupling terms** of the fields of the given system  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$  to the gauge fields,
- the gauge formalism does **not** provide the Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$  describing the dynamics of the "free" gauge fields, **here: the dynamics of the  $\gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\xi(x)$  in classical vacuum**,
- the Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$  for the dynamics of the "free" gauge fields must be added **"by hand"**, based on physical reasoning,
- the "free gauge field Hamiltonian"  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$  accounts for the **residual indeterminacy** of any gauge theory, **here: the gauge theory of gravity**.

Final action functional is a world scalar  $\Leftrightarrow$  general principle of relativity

$$S = \int_{\Omega} \left( \tilde{\pi}^\beta \phi_{;\beta} + \tilde{p}^{\alpha\beta} a_{\alpha;\beta} + \tilde{k}^{\alpha\lambda\beta} g_{\alpha\lambda;\beta} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{q}_\eta^{\alpha\beta\gamma} R_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^\eta - \tilde{\mathcal{H}} - \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}} \right) d^4x$$

with a form-invariant Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}(\tilde{k}, \tilde{q}, g) = \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}(\tilde{K}, \tilde{Q}, G)$ .

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## Generally invariant action principle

We thus encounter the "gauged" Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_G$  (after "some algebra"!)

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_G &= \tilde{\mathcal{H}} + \left( \tilde{p}^{\alpha\beta} a_{\xi} + \tilde{k}^{\alpha\lambda\beta} g_{\xi\lambda} + \tilde{k}^{\lambda\alpha\beta} g_{\lambda\xi} \right) \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\xi \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \tilde{q}_\eta^{\alpha\beta\gamma} \left( \frac{\partial \gamma_{\alpha\xi}^\eta}{\partial x^\beta} + \frac{\partial \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\eta}{\partial x^\xi} + \gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\tau \gamma_{\tau\xi}^\eta - \gamma_{\alpha\xi}^\tau \gamma_{\tau\beta}^\eta \right) \end{aligned}$$

Inserting the Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_G$  into the above action functionals yields

$$S = \int_{\Omega} \left( \tilde{\pi}^\beta \phi_{;\beta} + \tilde{p}^{\alpha\beta} a_{\alpha;\beta} + \tilde{k}^{\alpha\lambda\beta} g_{\alpha\lambda;\beta} - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{q}_\eta^{\alpha\beta\gamma} R_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^\eta - \tilde{\mathcal{H}} \right) d^4x.$$

- The **partial** derivatives of the fields  $\phi$ ,  $a_\mu$ , and  $g_{\nu\mu}$  in the original action functional are indeed converted into **covariant** derivatives.
- In contrast, the partial derivatives of the **non-tensorial** gauge fields  $\gamma_{\alpha\xi}^\eta$  cannot be converted into covariant derivatives.
- Miraculously, the terms of the **calculated** gauge Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_G$  **complement** these derivatives to the **Riemann curvature tensors  $R_{\alpha\beta\gamma}^\eta$**

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## Canonical field equations for given $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{;\mu} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \tilde{\pi}^\mu}, & \tilde{\pi}^\beta_{;\beta} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \phi} + 2\tilde{\pi}^\beta s^\alpha_{\beta\alpha} \\ a_{\nu;\mu} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial \tilde{p}^{\nu\mu}}, & \tilde{p}^{\nu\beta}_{;\beta} &= -\frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial a_\nu} + 2\tilde{p}^{\nu\beta} s^\alpha_{\beta\alpha} \\ g_{\xi\lambda;\mu} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial \tilde{k}^{\xi\lambda\mu}}, & \tilde{k}^{\xi\lambda\beta}_{;\beta} &= -\frac{\partial (\tilde{\mathcal{H}} + \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}})}{\partial g_{\xi\lambda}} + 2\tilde{k}^{\xi\lambda\beta} s^\alpha_{\beta\alpha} \\ -\frac{R_{\xi\lambda\mu}^\eta}{2} &= \frac{\partial \tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial \tilde{q}_\eta^{\xi\lambda\mu}}, & \tilde{q}_\eta^{\xi\lambda\beta}_{;\beta} &= -\tilde{p}^{\xi\lambda} a_\eta - 2\tilde{k}^{\beta\xi\lambda} g_{\beta\eta} + \tilde{q}_\eta^{\xi\beta\alpha} s^\lambda_{\beta\alpha} \\ & & & + 2\tilde{q}_\eta^{\xi\lambda\beta} s^\alpha_{\beta\alpha} \end{aligned}$$

- **Throughout tensor equations**  $\rightsquigarrow$  form-invariant in any reference frame.
- $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$  must be **postulated**,  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}} \equiv 0 \Leftrightarrow$  flat metric comp. spacetime.
- It includes possible **torsion** ( $s^\lambda_{\beta\alpha} \neq 0$ ) and **non-metricity** ( $g_{\xi\lambda;\mu} \neq 0$ ).
- $\rightsquigarrow$  Most general set for the coupled dynamics of fields and spacetime.

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## Consistency relation of the canonical field equations

From the canonical equations, one directly derives the

### Energy-momentum balance relation

$$2\tilde{k}^{\nu\beta\lambda}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial\tilde{k}^{\mu\beta\lambda}} - \tilde{q}_{\mu}{}^{\tau\beta\lambda}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial\tilde{q}_{\nu}{}^{\tau\beta\lambda}} + \tilde{q}_{\tau}{}^{\nu\beta\lambda}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial\tilde{q}_{\tau}{}^{\mu\beta\lambda}} - 2g_{\mu\beta}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial g_{\nu\beta}}$$

$$= a_{\mu}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial a_{\nu}} - \tilde{p}^{\nu\beta}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial\tilde{p}^{\mu\beta}} + 2g_{\mu\beta}\frac{\partial\tilde{\mathcal{H}}}{\partial g_{\nu\beta}} = \tilde{\theta}_{\mu}{}^{\nu} \leftarrow \text{canonical E-M tensor.}$$

It can be shown to have the equivalent Lagrangian representation

$$\frac{\partial\mathcal{L}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial g^{\alpha\beta}{}_{;\nu}} g^{\alpha\beta}{}_{;\mu} + 2\frac{\partial\mathcal{L}_{\text{Dyn}}}{\partial R^{\eta}{}_{\alpha\beta\nu}} R^{\eta}{}_{\alpha\beta\mu} - \delta_{\mu}^{\nu}\mathcal{L}_{\text{Dyn}} = -\theta_{\mu}{}^{\nu}$$

$$\theta_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial\left(\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x^{\nu}}\right)}\frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x^{\mu}} + \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial a_{\alpha;\nu}} a_{\alpha;\mu} - \delta_{\mu}^{\nu}\mathcal{L},$$

which actually represents a **generalized Einstein equation**.

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## Generalized Einstein equation

The Einstein equation proper is thus the **particular case** if:

- The dynamics of the “free” gravitational field is described by the Hilbert Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{Dyn}} \propto R \equiv R^{\beta}{}_{\alpha\beta\mu} g^{\mu\alpha}$
- The system satisfies the metric compatibility condition  $g_{\alpha\beta;\mu} = 0$
- The system is torsion-free with a symmetric Ricci tensor  $R_{\mu\nu}$
- The system Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}$  describes the dynamics of a **scalar field** (and possibly a massless vector field).

The source term is then given by Hilbert's **metric** energy-momentum tensor  $T_{\mu}{}^{\nu}$

$$T_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\partial(\mathcal{L}\sqrt{-g})}{\partial g^{\mu\beta}} g^{\nu\beta}.$$

Yet, if the given system comprises a **massive** vector field, the source term of the generalized Einstein equation is given by the **canonical** E-M tensor  $\theta_{\mu}{}^{\nu}$ , which then **differs** from the metric E-M tensor  $T_{\mu}{}^{\nu}$  by a divergence:

$$\theta_{\mu}{}^{\nu} = T_{\mu}{}^{\nu} - \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial a_{\nu}} a_{\mu} - \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial a_{\nu;\beta}} a_{\mu;\beta} = T_{\mu}{}^{\nu} - \left( \frac{\partial\mathcal{L}}{\partial a_{\nu;\beta}} a_{\mu} \right)_{;\beta}.$$

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## Conclusions and Outlook

### 1 Key results of the gauge theory of gravity:

- the **connection coefficients**  $\gamma^{\xi\alpha\beta}$  are the gauge fields of gravity
- the Hamiltonian  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$  for the “free gauge fields”, i.e. for the gravity dynamics in classical vacuum must be **postulated**
- gauge theory provides us with the **coupling** of fields and gauge fields
- each type of field (scalar, vector, tensor, spinor; massive, massless) has its **particular** spacetime coupling — which is **beyond the Einstein theory**
- e.g.: spacetime coupling of **spin fields** yields an **effective mass term** → analogy to the **Pauli coupling** term of a spinor in a magnetic field

### 2 Actual work:

- Discussion of physically reasonable options for  $\tilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\text{Dyn}}$  and their respective cosmological consequences
- Discussion of the cosmological consequences of the **modified coupling** of massive vector (spin-1) fields to spacetime
- Discussion of the emerging effective mass term of spin- $1/2$  fields with respect to e.g. the **neutrino mass** issue

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