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Introduction.

The Schwarzschild line-element [(1.5) below] is familiar to all relativists. It represents the gravitational field outside a spherically symmetric distribution of matter at rest. The formula is simple and exact, and seems to offer no possibility of confusion provided we refrain (as we do here) from attempting to eliminate the so-called "singularity" at $r = 2M$. There are, however, two possible sources of confusion, and it is the purpose of the present note to

clarify them by explicit and detailed discussion.

First, there is the question of the transformation of coordinates. The only transformation of interest is that of the radial coordinate r . This gives us an infinity of line-elements, including the well-known "isotropic line-element", in which the spatial part is conformally flat. Each of these line-elements represents the same gravitational field as does the original Schwarzschild line-element, and so, in fact, the Schwarzschild line-element "is diagonal". We give in Sections 1 and 2 rules for detecting whether a given spherically symmetric line-element is of this type.

Secondly, and this is a much more dangerous source of confusion than the above, we have approximations based on the weakness of the field, or, equivalently, on the smallness of the mass m of the central (spherical) material system which causes the field. Roughly speaking, terms of order m give Newtonian gravitational effects (elliptical orbits), and terms of order m^2 influence on this (advance of perihelion), while the effects of terms of order m^3 lie far beyond the limits of astronomical observation. However, such a rough statement must be accepted with great caution, for it has led one of us into an error (cf. J. L. Synge, *Relativity: The General Theory* [North-Holland, Amsterdam, 1960], footnote to p. 236). The fact is that, if in the usual Schwarzschild line-element (I.1) below we neglect terms in m^2 , obtaining the line-element from (A.11) below, we shall get the correct formula for the advance of perihelion. Thus it is useless to say that advance of perihelion is an m^2 -effect. The matter is discussed fully in Section 3.

The maximum confusion arises when we combine the above two conditions, applying an infinitesimal transformation to the radial coordinate and at the same time approximating for small α . Consideration of this has been forced upon us in developing a method of successive approximations to calculate stationary weak gravitational fields in a paper by S. S. Hoopes and J. L. Synge entitled "Stationary weak gravitational fields to any approximation" (this paper, not yet published*, will be referred to as SHS). To test the method, we applied it to the case of spherical symmetry, expecting to derive the Schwarzschild line-element without much difficulty. However, the work proved formidable, and we had to be satisfied with verifying that the method yields a Spherically Schwarzschild line-element up to terms of order α^2 inclusive. Details are given in Section 3 below. The paper ends with an appendix in which certain integrals appearing in Section 3 are evaluated.

1. Transformations in polar coordinates

The most familiar form of the Schwarzschild exterior metric is

$$ds^2 = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) dt^2, \quad (1.1)$$

where

$$r^2 = \rho^2 + \alpha^2 \sin^2 \theta, \quad (1.2)$$

and α is a constant (the mass of the central body). The four coordinates $(t, \theta, \rho, \alpha)$ have geometrophysical interpretations. The 3-space RLT equation $\rho = \text{constant}$, $t = \text{constant}$, is a sphere of constant Gaussian

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coordinates t/v^2 , and (θ, ϕ) are polar angles (colatitude and longitude on the sphere); k is the measure of proper time by a clock at rest at infinity.

If we apply a transformation

$$x = f(p) \quad (1.3)$$

we get

$$R = A dp^2 + B p^2 dt^2 + C dt^2, \quad (1.4)$$

where A, B, C are functions of p such that

$$A dp^2 = (1 - \frac{2m}{r})^{1/2} dt^2, \quad B p^2 = r^2, \quad C = 1 - \frac{2m}{r}. \quad (1.5)$$

The form (1.4) may be described as a Riemannian form diagonal by the transformation (1.3).

Suppose now that we are presented with a spherically symmetric statistical line-element, how are we to test whether it is, or is not, a diagonal Riemannian line-element? In other words, given the three functions $A(p)$, $B(p)$, $C(p)$, under what conditions on these functions does there exist a transformation $x = f(p)$ which will turn the form (1.4) into the form (1.5)? And how is the mass m expressed in terms of A, B, C , if the transformation is possible?

We proceed as follows. If (1.4) is a diagonal Riemannian line-element, then (1.5) are true for some transformation $x = f(p)$. We have, from the second of (1.5),

$$B = p^2 \frac{d^2}{dp^2}, \quad (1.6)$$

and, from the last of (1.5),

$$p^2 \frac{d^2}{dp^2} (B - C) = 2m. \quad (1.7)$$

Since

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int \rho \mathcal{H}^2 (\eta - \zeta) = 0, \quad (5.8)$$

by (1.6) we have, inserting (5.7) by a priori,

$$\eta \operatorname{div} u \left(\mathcal{H} + \frac{1}{2} \rho \mathcal{H}^2 \right) \rho \eta \geq 0, \quad (5.9)$$

and so the first of (5.4) becomes, on multiplication by η^2 ,

$$\Delta \rho^2 \mathcal{H} \eta^2 = \zeta \eta^2 \left(\mathcal{H} + \frac{1}{2} \rho \mathcal{H}^2 \right)^2 \rho^2 \eta^2 \geq 0. \quad (5.10)$$

Since

$$\Delta \mathcal{H} = \left(\mathcal{H} + \frac{1}{2} \rho \mathcal{H}^2 \right)^2, \quad (5.11)$$

from the argument just in fact later reverse, we have the following theorem:

Theorem 1: In order that the form

$$\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}(\rho) \eta^2 + \mathcal{H}(\rho) \rho^2 \eta^2 + \mathcal{H}(\rho) \eta^2 \quad (5.12)$$

be a Schwarzchild form in Riemann, it is necessary and sufficient that $\mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H}$ be positive functions satisfying the two conditions

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int \rho \mathcal{H}^2 (\eta - \zeta) = 0, \quad (5.13)$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{H} = \left(\mathcal{H} + \frac{1}{2} \rho \mathcal{H}^2 \right)^2. \quad (5.14)$$

When these conditions are satisfied, the central mass μ is given by

$$\mu = \frac{1}{2} \rho \mathcal{H}^2 (\eta - \zeta). \quad (5.15)$$

In all cases of physical interest, η/ν is so small inside the central body that the Riemann of physical phenomena can be carried out with sufficient accuracy if we retain terms in η^2 , but reject η^3

and higher powers. Accordingly we write the Schmerschild line-element (1.1) in the form

$$ds^2 = \left(1 + \frac{2B}{r} + \frac{4C}{r^2}\right) dt^2 - r^2 d\Omega^2 - \left(1 - \frac{2B}{r}\right) dt dr + O_3, \quad (1.16)$$

the symbol O_3 indicating terms involving dt^3 .

Consider any spherically symmetric spherical space-time which is nearly flat, the deviation from flatness depending on a small parameter in such a way that the line-element may be written in the form

$$\left. \begin{aligned} ds^2 &= A dt^2 + B r^2 d\Omega^2 - C dt dr, \\ A &= 1 + A_1 + A_2 + O_3, \\ B &= 1 + B_1 + B_2 + O_3, \\ C &= 1 + C_1 + C_2 + O_3, \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1.17)$$

where A_1, B_1, C_1 are small of the first order, A_2, B_2, C_2 are small of the second order, and O_3 indicates terms of the third order. What are the conditions that (1.17) should be the line-element of a weak Schmerschild field in disguise? The answer is given by expanding (1.16) and (1.14).

The conditions read

$$\frac{1}{2} \left(\rho C_1 + \frac{1}{2} B_1 B_1 + C_1 \right) = B_1, \quad (1.18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 - B_1 + C_1 - \rho B_1^2 + B_1 C_1 + C_1 A_1 + A_1 B_1 - \left(B_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho B_1^2 \right)^2 &= A_2 - B_2 + C_2 \\ &= \rho B_1^2 = B_2, \end{aligned} \quad (1.19)$$

Now these conditions are satisfied, with B_2 unspecified except as to magnitude, we may say that the metric (1.17) is a disguised Schmerschild metric correct to the second order. The central mass is

$$m = -\frac{1}{2} p (\zeta_1 + \frac{1}{2} p \zeta_1 + \zeta_2) + \zeta_2. \quad (1.32)$$

2. Transformations in Cartesian coordinates.

Creek surfaces take the values 1, 2, 3, and Lalla surfaces the values 1, 2, 3, 4, with summation for a repeated suffix in each case.

If we introduce Cartesian coordinates x_i by

$$x_1 = r \sin \theta \cos \phi, \quad x_2 = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, \quad x_3 = r \cos \theta, \quad (1.1)$$

we have

$$r^2 = x_1 x_1 + x_2 x_2 + x_3 x_3, \quad r dr = x_1 dx_1 + x_2 dx_2 + x_3 dx_3, \quad (1.2)$$

and, putting $x_3 = i\bar{x}_3$, we may change the Schwarzschild line-element (1.1) into

$$ds^2 = dx_1 dx_1 + dx_2 dx_2 + dx_3 dx_3, \quad (1.3)$$

where

$$dx_{33} = dx_{33} + \left[\left(1 - \frac{2m}{r} \right)^{-1} - 1 \right] \frac{x_3 x_3}{r^2},$$

$$dx_{33} = 0, \quad (1.4)$$

$$dx_{33} = \left(1 - \frac{2m}{r} \right),$$

We have to consider the dispersion of the Schwarzschild line-element (1.3).

Any spherically symmetric physical line-element may be written in the form

$$ds^2 = \tau_{ij} dx_i dx_j,$$

where

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \tau_{33} &= F(r) \left(\tau_{33} + G(r) \frac{x_3 x_3}{r^2} \right), \\ \tau_{33} &= 0, \\ \tau_{33} &= H(r), \quad r^2 = x_1 x_1 + x_2 x_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1.5)$$

and the coefficients ζ_{ij} is a pure imaginary. We seek the conditions on P, Q, R under which the matrix (2.3) is a dissipated Riemann-Hilbert matrix.

In view of the results already established in Section 1, the best plan is to go back to polar coordinates, instead of comparing (2.3) with (1.3).

Accordingly we write

$$\zeta_1 = p \sin \alpha \exp i\alpha, \quad \zeta_2 = p \sin \beta \sin \beta, \quad \zeta_3 = p \cos \beta, \quad \zeta_4 = ik. \quad (2.4)$$

Then (2.3) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} B &= p(Ap^2 + p^2 Bp^2) + Q(Ap^2 + Bp^2) \\ &= (P+Q)Ap^2 + Pp^2 Bp^2 + BAp^2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

This is the same as (1.12) if we put

$$A = P+Q, \quad B = P, \quad C = B. \quad (2.6)$$

Since Theorem I gives the following:

Theorem II: In order that the form $B = \tau_{12} \partial_{\bar{z}} \partial_z$ with τ_{ij} is a pure imaginary and

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_{12} &= P(x) \tau_{12} + Q(x) \frac{\tau_{12} \tau_{22}}{p^2}, \\ \tau_{11} &= 0, \quad \tau_{22} = R(x), \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

and be a Riemann-Hilbert form is dissipated, it is necessary and sufficient

that P, Q, R satisfy

$$P > 0, \quad P + Q > 0, \quad R > 0, \quad (2.8)$$

and

$$\frac{d}{dz} [p^2 (1-R)] = 0, \quad (2.9)$$

$$R(P+Q) = (P + \frac{1}{2} p^2 P')^2. \quad (2.10)$$

When these conditions are satisfied, the control mass B is given by

$$u = \frac{1}{2} p \, r^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - u) \quad (1.10)$$

In the case of a space-time which is spherically symmetric, stationary, and usually flat, we may use in (1.9) the expansion

$$\begin{aligned} P &= 1 + P_1 + P_2 + O_3, \\ Q &= Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3, \\ R &= 1 + R_1 + R_2 + O_3. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1a)$$

Then (1.11) and (1.10), on expansion, give the conditions that the line-element (1.9) shall be a Schwarzschild line-element in disguise: these conditions read

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} p (P_1 + \frac{1}{2} Q_1 P_1 + R_1) &= 0, \\ Q_1 + R_1 - p P_1^2 + P_1 Q_1 + Q_1 R_1 + 2R_1 P_1 - p P_1 P_1^2 - \frac{1}{2} p^2 P_1^2 + Q_2 + R_2 - p P_2^2 &= 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1b)$$

When these conditions are satisfied, the metric (1.9) is given by

$$u = -\frac{1}{2} p (R_1 + \frac{1}{2} Q_1 P_1 + R_2) + O_3. \quad (2.1c)$$

3. The Schwarzschild line-element obtained by successive approximations

In this section we apply the method of successive approximations developed in [1] to find the Schwarzschild field up to the second approximation.

We take the body to be at rest as in SCHWARZSCHILD case, but we shall not assume for the moment that the body is spherical; it can be of any shape whatever. We shall denote the interior and exterior regions of the body by $\bar{I}$

and $\bar{B}$ respectively, and its surface by $\bar{B}_0$.

To start the process indicated in (4.7) of IFR we choose

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\gamma}_{12} &= 0, & \bar{\gamma}_{13} &= 0, & \bar{\gamma}_{23} &= -\rho, & \text{in } \bar{T}, \\ \bar{\gamma}_{12} &= 0 & \text{in } \bar{B}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

Here ρ is a time-independent variable* assigned in $\bar{T}$. Since we are dealing with a stationary field the unit normal vector n_k to the history of $\bar{B}$ is of the form

$$n_k = (n_k, 0). \quad (5.5)$$

It follows then that $\bar{\gamma}_{12}$ satisfies conditions (4.3) of IFR, namely,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\gamma}_{12,t} &= 0 & \text{in } \bar{T} & \text{and } \bar{B}, \\ \bar{\gamma}_{12,t} &= 0 & \text{in } \bar{T} & \text{and } \bar{B}, \\ \bar{\gamma}_{12} n_j &= 0 & \text{on } \bar{B}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.6)$$

We note from (4.4) that the star conjugate of $\bar{\gamma}_{12}$ defined by

$$\bar{\gamma}_{12}^* = \bar{\gamma}_{12} - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{12} \bar{\gamma}_{33}, \quad (5.7)$$

is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\gamma}_{12}^* &= \frac{1}{2} \rho \delta_{12}, & \bar{\gamma}_{13}^* &= 0, & \bar{\gamma}_{23}^* &= -\frac{1}{2} \rho, & \text{in } \bar{T}, \\ \bar{\gamma}_{12}^* &= 0 & \text{in } \bar{B}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.8)$$

Defining β -vectors by underlined symbols, we now define β_{12} by [cf. (4.4) of IFR]

$$\beta_{12}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int \bar{\gamma}_{12}^*(x') \frac{\delta_{12}^*}{|x-x'|^3} dx', \quad (5.9)$$

and we obtain

$$\beta_{12} = 2\rho \delta_{12}, \quad \beta_{22} = 0, \quad \beta_{33} = -2\rho. \quad (5.10)$$

* Not to be confused with the radial coordinate ρ of Section 2.

where V is the usual Hermitian potential, given by

$$V(x) = \int \frac{p(x) - \frac{1}{2} p^2}{(x - \frac{1}{2})^2} \quad (3.8)$$

with integration throughout $\mathbb{R}$.

Next we evaluate the quantity $\mathcal{H}_{1,1}(x)$ given by (cf. (3.7) of [20])

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} = & -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1} + \mathcal{H}_{1,1,2} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,3} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,4}) - (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1}) (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1}) + \\ & + \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1}) (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1}) + \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1}^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

where

$$(\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1}) = \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1} + \mathcal{H}_{1,1,2} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,3} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,4}) \quad (3.10)$$

and

$$\mathcal{H}_{1,1} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1} + \mathcal{H}_{1,1,2} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,3} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,4}) \quad (3.11)$$

Using (3.7) and (3.8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} = & 4V (\mathcal{H}_{1,1,1} - \mathcal{H}_{1,1,2}) + 5 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} - 2V \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \\ \mathcal{H}_{1,1} = & 0, \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{1,1} = 12 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} + 5 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1}.$$

or equivalently

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} = & -6 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} - 2 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} - 4 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} - 2 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \\ \mathcal{H}_{1,1} = & 0, \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

$$\mathcal{H}_{1,1} = 2 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1} - 2 \mathcal{H}_{1,1} \mathcal{H}_{1,1}.$$

Up to this point the formulas are completely general; they hold for

a body (at rest) of any shape and for any time-independent $\rho(\mathbf{r})$. From now on we shall assume that the body is spherical (of radius a) and that ρ is a function of r only, r being the "distance" from the center of the body, given at the point $\mathbf{r}_0$ by

$$r = (\mathbf{r}_0 \cdot \mathbf{r}_0)^{1/2} \quad (3.5a)$$

by (3.4)

$$\mathbf{r} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{r} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{r}} = \int \rho \, d\mathbf{r}_0, \quad (3.5b)$$

$\tilde{\mathbf{r}}$ being the "mass" of the body in a rough sense; by (3.5) we have, in $\mathbb{R}^3$,

$$g_{00} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{r^3} h_{00}, \quad g_{0\alpha} = 0, \quad g_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{r^3} \delta_{\alpha\beta}. \quad (3.6)$$

It is easily seen that $g_{\alpha\beta}$ satisfies the relations (1.15), (2.16) when $\mathbb{D}$ is spherical, and so (3.6) is a diagonal Schwarzschild field to the first order; by (1.17) the central mass is

$$m = \tilde{m} \quad (3.7)$$

to the first order.

We proceed to find the field to the second approximation. For this we need $g_{\alpha\beta}$ as given by (3.5), with substitution of g_{0f} as in (3.6). Direct calculation yields

$$\begin{aligned} g_{0\alpha} &= -\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{r^3} x_\alpha x_0 + \frac{1}{r^3} \tilde{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \mathbf{h}_{\alpha 0}, \\ g_{\alpha\beta} &= 0, \quad g_{\alpha\alpha} = \frac{1}{r^3} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{r}}}{r^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

or equivalently*

* Throughout this work we use $\mathbf{r}_0$ or $\mathbf{r}_\alpha$ indifferently as normal coordinates, with $r^2 = x_\alpha x_\alpha$ in the former case, and $r^2 = x_\alpha x_\alpha$ in the latter.

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} = -\frac{3\partial^2}{r^2} x_3 x_3 + \frac{2\partial^2}{r^2} \delta_{33} \quad (3.18)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_3^2} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} = -\frac{2\partial^2}{r^2}.$$

Spring fixed, $\mathbf{u}_{ij}$ in $\mathbb{R}$, our next task is to find a time-independent linear $\mathbf{r}_{ij}$ satisfying the conditions (i)-(3), (4)-(6) of III, viz.

$$\mathbf{r}_{ij} = \mathbf{u}_{ij} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}, \quad (3.19)$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{33,r} = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{r}_{33} v_3 = \mathbf{u}_{33} v_3 \text{ on } \mathbb{S}, \quad (3.20)$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{33,r} = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{r}_{33} v_3 = \mathbf{u}_{33} v_3 \text{ on } \mathbb{S}, \quad (3.21)$$

$$\mathbf{r}_{33} = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}. \quad (3.22)$$

Now

$$\delta_{33} = \frac{2}{3}, \quad (3.23)$$

and so

$$\mathbf{u}_{33} v_3 = -\frac{2\partial^2}{r^2} x_3 \quad (3.24)$$

Thus (3.20) reduce to

$$\mathbf{r}_{33,r} = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{r}_{33} v_3 = -\frac{2\partial^2}{r^2} x_3 \text{ on } \mathbb{S}. \quad (3.25)$$

We note that the only solution of (3.25) consistent with spherical symmetry is

$$\mathbf{r}_{33} = 0 \text{ in } \mathbb{R}. \quad (3.26)$$

It is an essential feature of the BPL method that, in the second and higher orders, an indeterminacy enters, and can be resolved only by assigning a structure (e.g. elastic or fluid) to the body producing the field. Now,

although the usual complete Schwarzschild field is that of a fluid sphere of constant density, the exterior form (1.1) in no way depends on this particular hypothesis, and so, in applying the DFD-method we should avoid any structural hypothesis. However, to simplify the work we shall not be so general, but take, as solution of (3.6),

$$p_{\alpha\beta} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} \delta_{\alpha\beta} \quad \text{in } \tilde{\Sigma}, \quad (3.10)$$

which, since $p_{\alpha\beta}$ is to be regarded as a stress, corresponds to the (unique) hydrostatic pressure satisfying (3.6). Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_{ij} &= p_{ij} \quad \text{in } \tilde{\Sigma}, \\ p_{\alpha\beta} &= -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \quad p_{\alpha\beta} = 0, \quad p_{\alpha\gamma} = 0 \quad \text{in } \tilde{\Sigma}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.11)$$

Explicitly

$$\begin{aligned} p_{\alpha\beta} &= p_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} \delta_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} x_i x_j, \\ p_{\alpha\gamma} &= p_{\gamma\alpha} = 0, \quad p_{\gamma\beta} = p_{\beta\gamma} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

in $\tilde{\Sigma}$, and

$$p_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \quad p_{\alpha\gamma} = 0, \quad p_{\gamma\beta} = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{R}}{r^2} \quad (3.13)$$

in $\tilde{\Sigma}$.

In accordance with (1.10) of DFD, we now define q_{ij} by

$$q_{ij}(x) = k e^{-\lambda} \int \tilde{p}_{ij}(x') \frac{d^3x'}{r'^2}, \quad k = 8\pi. \quad (3.14)$$

Using (3.11), (3.13), and the integrals (A.10) in the Appendix, we get in $\tilde{\Sigma}$ ($r > a$)

$$\phi_{xx} = 2\pi \left[\phi_{xx} \left(-\frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{1}{2\pi} - \frac{22}{15} \frac{1}{\pi^2} \right) + \left(-\frac{7}{\pi^2} + \frac{22}{3} \frac{1}{\pi^2} \right) \frac{8\pi^2}{\pi^2} \right],$$

$$\phi_{xx} = 0, \quad (5.30)$$

$$\phi_{xx} = \frac{22}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

This may be checked by verifying that $\phi_{xx}^2 = 0$.

Writing γ_{ij} for the complete metric tensor up to the second approximation [inclusion], we have

$$\gamma_{ij} = \gamma_{ij} + \gamma_{ij} + \gamma_{ij}, \quad (5.34)$$

where $\gamma_{ij} + \gamma_{ij}$ are given by (5.15) and (5.30) respectively; thus in $\bar{R}$

$$\gamma_{xx} = \left[1 + \frac{22}{\pi} + 2\pi \left(-\frac{1}{2\pi} + \frac{1}{2\pi} - \frac{22}{15} \frac{1}{\pi^2} \right) \right] \gamma_{xx} + 2\pi \left(-\frac{7}{\pi^2} + \frac{22}{3} \frac{1}{\pi^2} \right) \frac{8\pi^2}{\pi^2},$$

$$\gamma_{xx} = 0, \quad (5.35)$$

$$\gamma_{xx} = 1 + \frac{22}{\pi} + \frac{22}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \right).$$

To sum up: Application of the MFS-method to the case of spherical symmetry, combined with the special choice (5.10) of $\bar{\eta}_{xx}$, gives, in the exterior region $\bar{R}$, the metric Comp. γ_{ij} satisfying with γ_{ij} as in (5.31). Here γ is the radius of the sphere, $(x^1 = \eta_1, \eta_2)$ and $\bar{R}$ is the interval (5.11).

At first sight we do not recognize the Schwarzschild metric in (5.31). But it is in fact a disguised Schwarzschild metric (in the second order), as we shall see due to applying Theorem II. The notation must be changed, however, making $r = \eta_1$ for $\rho = \eta_2$ in (5.31). From (5.31) we have

$$r(x) = 1 + \frac{2x}{r} + 2^2 \left(-\frac{1}{3r^3} + \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{2x}{3r^3} \right),$$

$$u(x) = 2^2 \left(-\frac{2}{r^3} + \frac{2x}{3r^3} \right), \quad (1.56)$$

$$w(x) = 1 + \frac{2x}{r} + \frac{2^2}{r^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{r} \right),$$

or, by (1.54),

$$r_1 = \frac{2x}{r}, \quad r_2 = 2^2 \left(-\frac{1}{3r^3} + \frac{1}{r^2} - \frac{2x}{3r^3} \right),$$

$$u_1 = 0, \quad u_2 = 1 - \frac{2}{r^3} + \frac{2x}{3r^3} \cdot 2^2, \quad (1.57)$$

$$w_1 = -\frac{2x}{r}, \quad w_2 = \frac{2^2}{r^2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{x}{r} \right).$$

It is easily proved that these values satisfy equations (1.52) and (1.53), and this shows that (1.55) is, to the second order of approximation, a generalized Riemannian field. By (1.47) the central mass is

$$M = \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{2x}{r}, \quad (1.58)$$

4. Form of variation.

We shall start with the general spherically symmetric static metric form

$$ds^2 = A(x)^2 dt^2 + B(x)^2 dr^2 + C(x)^2 d\Omega^2, \quad (1.59)$$

where A , B , C are any positive functions of r ; this may, but need not, be

the Schwarzschild metric, in the usual form of Friedman.

To study the geodesics, without loss of generality we consider those in the hypersurface $\psi = \psi_0$. Then the usual geodesic equations give

$$B(r) \dot{t}^2 = a^{-2} \quad (1.1)$$

$$C(r) \dot{\varphi}^2 = \gamma^2 \quad (1.2)$$

$$A(r) \dot{r}^2 + B(r) \dot{t}^2 + C(r) \dot{\varphi}^2 = -1 \quad (1.3)$$

where α, γ are constants of integration, and dots denote differentiation with respect to proper time s .

Eliminating t from (1.1), (1.2), (1.3), and writing $r = a^2 u$, we get

$$C \left(\frac{du}{ds} \right)^2 = \frac{2}{a^2} \alpha^2 \gamma^2 \quad (1.4)$$

where

$$C(u) = -2A(u) - B(u)^2 \gamma^2 + B(u)^2 (1 - C) \quad (1.5)$$

It will be remembered, of course, that k, B, C are themselves functions of u ; from (1.2) we may obtain the orbit by a quadrature. The apices of the orbit are given by $du/ds = 0$, and the reciprocals of the apical "distances" are zeros of $C(u)$; we recall that, by hypothesis, $B > 0$, and so we have again seen from that factor. If an orbit has two apices, it oscillates between two consecutive circles; if $u^1 < u^2$ ($u^2 < u^1$) are the reciprocal apical distances, the apical angle is

$$2\pi = \int_{u^1}^{u^2} \sqrt{\frac{B}{C}} \frac{du}{\sqrt{C(u)}} \quad (1.6)$$

Passing to the case of a weak field, we assume for k, B, C expansions

$$R = 1 + R_1 + R_2 + \dots,$$

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the subscript denoting order of magnitude in terms of some small parameter (e.g., the mass of the central body). Further, we consider only solutions which satisfy special conditions. By (4.8), the equation for the reciprocal of the special distances is

$$-r(s) = s^2 (1 + R_1 + R_2 + \dots) + s^2 \gamma (1 + R_1 + R_2 + \dots) + s^2 (1 + R_1 + R_2 + \dots) (R_1 + R_2 + \dots) + \dots \quad (4.9)$$

If α and γ were both finite, this would give no real zeros. To get the finite real special distances, we must choose α large, so that $s^2 R_1$ is finite, at the same time choosing γ small, so that $s^2 \gamma$ is finite. In fact, if we define

$$\beta = \alpha \gamma, \quad (4.10)$$

we must take

$$\beta \text{ finite,} \quad \alpha = R_{-1/2}. \quad (4.11)$$

Rearranging (4.9) in orders of magnitude, we have

$$-r(s) = [s^2 + \beta^2 + s^2 R_1] + [s^2 R_2 + \beta^2 R_1 + s^2 R_2 + s^2 R_1 R_2] + O_2, \quad (4.12)$$

the first part being finite, and the second of the first order (R_1).

In (4.12), the terms on the right are functions of α and of s small. Therefore, we can proceed no further without specifying the forms of these functions; we shall take

$$\begin{aligned}
A_1 &= a_1 a_{-1}, & A_2 &= a_2 a_{-2}, & \dots, \\
B_1 &= b_1 b_{-1}, & B_2 &= b_2 b_{-2}, & \dots, \\
C_1 &= -c_1 c_{-1}, & C_2 &= -c_2 c_{-2}, & \dots,
\end{aligned}
\tag{1.13}$$

where the coefficients are constants, small of the orders indicated by the subscripts. Note the cross signs in the last line, a notational convenience, since, as we shall see, c_1 is positive. Substitution from (1.11) in (1.12) gives

$$T(x) = a_1 x^2 + (1 + b_1 a_1 x^2 + a_2 x^2) x^2 + (a_1 x^2 + b_2 x^2) x + x^2 + O_2,
\tag{1.14}$$

Let us drop the O_2 term. Then $T(x)$ is a cubic. It has two finite zeros x^1, x^2 ($x^3 = \infty$) which are approximately the roots of the quadratic equation

$$x^2 + c_1 x^2 + x^2 = 0,
\tag{1.15}$$

the left hand side of which is the finite part of $T(x)$ as given by (1.14). It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
x^1 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[-c_1 x^2 + (c_1^2 x^4 - 4x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] + O_1, \\
x^2 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[a_1 x^2 + (a_1^2 x^4 - 4x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] + O_1, \\
x^1 + x^2 &= a_1 x^2 + O_1, & x^1 x^2 &= x^2 + O_1.
\end{aligned}
\tag{1.16}$$

The cubic $T(x)$ has a third real zero, x^3 , and we can write

$$T(x) = a_1 (x - x^1) (x - x^2) (x - x^3),
\tag{1.17}$$

Comparing this with (1.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
a_1 (x^1 + x^2 + x^3) &= 1 + c_1 a_1 x^2 + a_2 x^2, \\
a_1 x^1 x^2 x^3 &= x^2 + O_2.
\end{aligned}
\tag{1.18}$$

It is clear that $u^{(n)}$ is large of order Ω_{n-1} . By (4.14) we have

$$u^{(n)} = t + \Omega_{n-1} \quad (4.15)$$

or, more accurately, using (4.15) and (4.16) we get

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 u^{(n)} &= t + 2\gamma_1 u_1 t^2 + u_1 t^2 + u_1 (u^2 + u^2) + \Omega_2 \\ &= t + u^2 (\gamma_1 \gamma_1 + \gamma_1 + \gamma_2) + \Omega_2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.16)$$

Then

$$(u_1 u^{(n)})^{1/2} = t + \frac{1}{2} u^2 (\gamma_1 \gamma_1 + \gamma_1 + \gamma_2) + \Omega_2. \quad (4.17)$$

By (4.7) the spatial angle is

$$\mathbf{z} = \int_0^{u^{(n)}} [1 + \ln(u_1 u_1 - u_1)] \frac{du}{\sqrt{(u^{(n)} - u^2)(u - u^2)} (1 - \frac{u^2}{u^{(n)}})} \quad (4.18)$$

Replacing $(t + u_1 u^{(n)})^{1/2}$, we get, considering (4.15),

$$\mathbf{z} = (u_1 u^{(n)})^{1/2} t + \frac{1}{2} (\gamma_1 - \gamma_2) t^2, \quad (4.19)$$

where

$$T = \int_0^{u^{(n)}} \frac{du}{\sqrt{(u^{(n)} - u^2)(u - u^2)}} = \pi, \quad (4.20)$$

$$J = \int_0^{u^{(n)}} \frac{u du}{\sqrt{(u^{(n)} - u^2)(u - u^2)}} = \frac{1}{2} \pi (u^2 + u^{(n)}).$$

Substituting from (4.15) and (4.17), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z} &= \pi + \frac{1}{2} \pi u^2 (\gamma_1 \gamma_1 + \gamma_1 + \gamma_2) + \frac{1}{2} \pi u \gamma_1 (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2) + \Omega_2 \\ &= \pi + \frac{1}{2} \pi (\gamma_1 \gamma_1 + \gamma_1 + \gamma_2) + \Omega_2. \end{aligned} \quad (4.21)$$

Then the amount of precession per revolution is

$$\mathfrak{B} = \left(1 + \frac{2\mathfrak{M}}{r}\right) dt^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2 - \left(1 - \frac{2\mathfrak{M}}{r}\right) dr^2, \quad (4.25)$$

The isotropic form of the Schwarzschild metric reads

$$\mathfrak{B} = \left(1 + \frac{\mathfrak{M}}{2r}\right)^2 (dt^2 + r^2 d\Omega^2) - \left[1 + \frac{\mathfrak{M}}{2r}\right]^2 dr^2, \quad (4.26)$$

so that

$$\mathfrak{A} = \mathfrak{B} = \left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\mathfrak{M}r^2 + 1 + \mathfrak{M}r + \dots\right), \quad (4.27)$$

$$\mathfrak{C} = \left(1 - \mathfrak{M} + \frac{1}{2}\mathfrak{M}^2\right) \left(1 - \mathfrak{M} + \frac{1}{2}\mathfrak{M}^2r^2 + \dots\right) = 1 - 2\mathfrak{M} + \mathfrak{M}^2r^2 + \dots.$$

Since

$$x_1 = y_1 = \mathfrak{M}, \quad x_2 = \mathfrak{M}, \quad x_3 = -\mathfrak{M}^2, \quad (4.28)$$

Substituting in (4.16) and (4.17), we obtain for the advance of perihelion the formula (4.30), as of course we must. As remarked by Willington [The Mathematical Theory of Relativity (Cambridge University Press, 1928), p. 121], the term x_3 is significant, and we would not get the correct advance if we used the "classical" isotropic form

$$\mathfrak{B} = \left(1 + \frac{\mathfrak{M}}{r}\right) (dt^2 + dr^2 + d\Omega^2) = \left(1 + \frac{2\mathfrak{M}}{r}\right) dt^2, \quad (4.29)$$

We shall now apply formula (4.26) to find the advance of perihelion for the diagonal Schwarzschild metric (3.35) obtained by the BFD method. To do this we first express $\tilde{\mathfrak{B}}$ in terms of the central mass $\mathfrak{m}$ by using (3.31). To the second approximation we get

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{B}} = \mathfrak{B} + \frac{1}{2\mathfrak{M}} \mathfrak{A}^2, \quad (4.30)$$

Since the field (3.35) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{tt} &= \mathfrak{A}(x) \left(\mathfrak{A}(x) + \frac{\mathfrak{A}_x \mathfrak{A}_x}{r^2} \right), \\ \gamma_{xx} &= \mathfrak{B}, \quad \gamma_{\alpha\beta} = \mathfrak{B}(\mathfrak{r}) \delta_{\alpha\beta}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.31)$$

where (neglecting terms in ω^2)

$$P(r) = 1 + \frac{2\alpha}{r} + \omega^2 \left(\frac{2}{r^2} - \frac{16}{15} \frac{a}{r^3} \right),$$

$$Q(r) = \omega^2 \left(-\frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{16}{5} \frac{a}{r^3} \right), \quad (4.37)$$

$$R(r) = 1 - \frac{2\alpha}{r} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{r^2}.$$

Introducing spherical polar coordinates as in Section 2, the line element can be put in the form

$$ds^2 = A dr^2 + B r^2 d\theta^2 + C d\phi^2, \quad (4.38)$$

where

$$A = P + Q + R = 1 + \frac{2\alpha}{r} + \omega^2 \left(-\frac{1}{r^2} + \frac{16}{5} \frac{a}{r^3} \right),$$

$$B = P + R = 1 + \frac{2\alpha}{r} + \omega^2 \left(\frac{2}{r^2} - \frac{16}{15} \frac{a}{r^3} \right), \quad (4.39)$$

$$C = R + 1 = \frac{2\alpha}{r} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{r^2}.$$

Therefore in this case we have

$$a_1 = 2a, \quad b_1 = 2a, \quad a_2 = 2a, \quad a_3 = -2a^2. \quad (4.40)$$

Since equation (4.38) gives $ds = (\omega a^2)^{1/2}$ as in (4.36),

Remembering that ω^2 is large of order ϕ_{max}^{-2} and that ω^2, ω^4 are finite, we see from (4.36) and (4.37) that advance of perihelion is a "Vierstorfer effect". Nevertheless, ω^2 is involved in the products of the type $a_1 a_3$, and so we are inclined to say that in it, if exhibited in the form (4.36), is a " ω^2 -effect". The key to this puzzle is that ω^2 is itself a large quantity of order ω^4 , since otherwise we could not get an orbit with finite apsidal distances. In most cases, in this confusing situation, of mixing statements about orders of magnitude without careful consideration.

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Evaluation of surface integrals (Section II).

Let $\underline{x}$ and $\underline{y}$ be any two points in Euclidean space. We write $|\underline{x}| = x$, $|\underline{y}| = y$, and denote by $|\underline{x} - \underline{y}|$ the distance between the two points. Let $\mu = \cos \phi$, where ϕ is the angle between the vectors $\underline{x}$ and $\underline{y}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|\underline{x} - \underline{y}|} &= \frac{1}{(x^2 + y^2 - 2xy\mu)^{1/2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - 2\mu \frac{x+y}{xy})^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1 - 2\mu \frac{x}{y} + \frac{x^2}{y^2})^{-1/2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (P_0(\mu) + P_2(\mu) + P_4(\mu) + \dots) \quad (A-1) \end{aligned}$$

where the P_n are Legendre polynomials and

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mu &= x/y, & \theta &= x/y & \text{if } y < x, \\ \mu &= y/x, & \theta &= x/y & \text{if } y > x. \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (A-2)$$

We have [cf. E. R. Ince, *Spherical and Elliptical Coordinates* (Cambridge University Press, 1931), p. 23.]

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_n P_m d\mu = 0 \quad \text{for } n \neq m, \quad (A-3)$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_n^2 d\mu = \frac{2}{2n+1}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} P_0 &= 1, & P_1 &= x, & P_2 &= \frac{1}{2} (3x^2 - 1), & (A-1) \\ P_3 &= \frac{1}{2} (5x^3 - 3x), & P_4 &= \frac{1}{8} (35x^4 - 30x^2 + 3), \dots, \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} x &= P_1, & x^2 &= \frac{1}{3} (1 + 2P_2), & x^3 &= \frac{1}{5} (3P_1 + 2P_3), & (A-2) \\ x^4 &= \frac{1}{35} (7 + 28P_2 + 8P_4), \dots \end{aligned}$$

Let $f(x)$ be any function of x in $(-\infty, \infty)$. Consider the integral

$$I(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{dy}{(x-y)^2}, \quad (A-3)$$

taken throughout the whole of space. Let δB_y be an element of the sphere $y = \text{constant}$. Then we have $\delta_y x = \delta B_y / dy$, and

$$I(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) dy \int_{\delta_y} \frac{\delta B_y}{(x-y)^2} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) dy \left(- \frac{\delta B_y}{(x-y)} \right), \quad (A-4)$$

hence, by (A-1)

$$\int_{\delta_y} \frac{\delta B_y}{(x-y)} = \log x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\delta B_y}{(x-y)} = \frac{\log x}{x}, \quad (A-5)$$

and so

$$I(x) = \frac{\log x}{x} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y^2 f(y) dy = \log x \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} y f(y) dy, \quad (A-6)$$

if $f(y)$ is such that these integrals converge.

In particular, if

$$f(y) = 0 \text{ for } y < a, \quad f(y) = \frac{1}{y^2} \text{ for } y > a, \quad (A-7)$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 H(x) &= \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{y^2} \frac{y^2}{(k^2 - y^2)} dy = \frac{1}{k} \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{y^2} dy + k \int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{y^2} dy \\
 &= \frac{1}{k} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right) + \frac{1}{k} = \frac{1}{k} \left(1 + \frac{1}{x} \right), \quad (3-17)
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider now the integral

$$I_{\text{pp}}(x) = \int \phi(y) \frac{y^2 y^2}{(k^2 - y^2)} dy, \quad (3-18)$$

From Lemma 13, it is evident that

$$I_{\text{pp}} = \phi(x) I_{\text{pp}} + \phi(x) \frac{y^2 y^2}{y^2}, \quad (3-19)$$

where ϕ and ψ are functions of $|x| \in [0, \infty)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{\text{pp}} &= \psi + \phi, \\
 I_{\text{pp}} \phi(x) &= \psi^2 (1 + \phi), \quad (3-20)
 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi(x) &= \frac{1}{\psi} \left(I_{\text{pp}} - I_{\text{pp}} \frac{y^2 y^2}{y^2} \right), \\
 \phi(x) &= \frac{1}{\psi} \left(I_{\text{pp}} \frac{y^2 y^2}{y^2} - I_{\text{pp}} \right), \quad (3-21)
 \end{aligned}$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{\text{pp}} &= \int y^2 \phi(x) \frac{y^2}{(k^2 - y^2)} dy, \\
 I_{\text{pp}} \frac{y^2 y^2}{y^2} &= \int y^2 \psi(x) \frac{y^2}{(k^2 - y^2)} dy, \quad (3-22)
 \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$I_{10} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \quad (A-17)$$

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By Lemma 10.10, (A-18),

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \quad (A-19)$$

and, by (A-19),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (1 + 2x_1 + 1 + 2x_2 + 2^2 x_3 + \dots) dx \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} (1 + \frac{1}{2} x^2) \quad (A-20) \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$I_{10} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx \quad (A-21)$$

and,

$$\begin{aligned} I_{10} &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) (1 + \frac{1}{2} x^2) dx + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) (1 + \frac{1}{2} x^2) dx \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx + \\ &= \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 f(x) dx \quad (A-22) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by (A-22),

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(x) &= -\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{x^2} \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{4} \int_{-\infty}^x x f(x) dx, \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{x^2} \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx + \frac{1}{2} x^2 \int_{-\infty}^x f(x) dx.$$

Provided these integrals converge, we have

$$\psi_{(0)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \frac{x^2}{16-2x} dx = \psi(x) \Big|_{-\infty}^{\infty} + \psi(x) \frac{x^2}{x^2}. \quad (4.11)$$

In a particular case, we take

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 0 \quad \text{for } x < a, \quad f(x) = 1/x^p \quad \text{for } x > a, \\ x &> a. \end{aligned} \quad (4.12)$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx &= \int_a^x dx = x - a, \\ \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx &= \int_a^x \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{1}{1-p} - \frac{1}{1-p}, \\ \int_{-\infty}^x x^2 f(x) dx &= \int_a^x \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{1}{1-p}, \\ \int_{-\infty}^x x f(x) dx &= \int_a^x \frac{1}{x^p} dx = \frac{1}{1-p}. \end{aligned} \quad (4.13)$$

Thus, by (4.11),

$$\begin{aligned}
 g(x) &= \frac{1}{15} \left[-\frac{1}{x^2} (x-1) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{x^2} - x^2 \frac{1}{x^2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{15} \left[\frac{3}{x^2} - \frac{21}{5} \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{x} \right], \quad (A-66)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{15} \left[-\frac{1}{x^2} (x-1) + x^2 \frac{1}{x^2} \right] = \frac{1}{15} \left[-\frac{3}{x^2} + \frac{1}{x^2} \right],$$

or equivalently,

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{15} \left[-1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x} \right], \quad (A-67)$$

$$g(x) = \frac{2}{15} \left[1 - \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x} \right].$$

For purposes of reference, let us repeat some results from (A-61) and (A-65): for $x = \infty$,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{1}{15} \frac{x^2}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^2} (-1 + \frac{2}{x}) = \quad (A-68)$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} \frac{1}{15} \frac{x^2}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x^2} (-1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x}) + \frac{2}{x^2} (1 - \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x}) =$$

As a check on these formulas, let $\phi = 0$ in the second. Then it should agree with the first. From the second we get

$$\frac{2}{x^2} \left[(-1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x}) + (-1 + \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x}) \right] + \frac{2}{x^2} (1 - \frac{1}{3} \frac{3}{x}) =$$

which agrees



- g) 9, equation (2.71) for $-\frac{1}{2} p^2 \tilde{\eta}_1^2$ read $-\frac{1}{2} p^2 \tilde{\eta}_1^{2+}$;
- h) 12, equations (3.18), first lines for $\tilde{W}_{\lambda\mu}$ read $\tilde{W}_{\lambda\mu}^+$;
- i) 13, equations (3.15) for $a_{\lambda\mu}$ read $a_{\lambda\mu}^+$;
 $b_{\lambda\mu}$ read $b_{\lambda\mu}^+$;
 $c_{\lambda\mu}$ read $c_{\lambda\mu}^+$;

