

Black holes in Teleparallel gravity

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- The Einstein's field equations are obtained by taking

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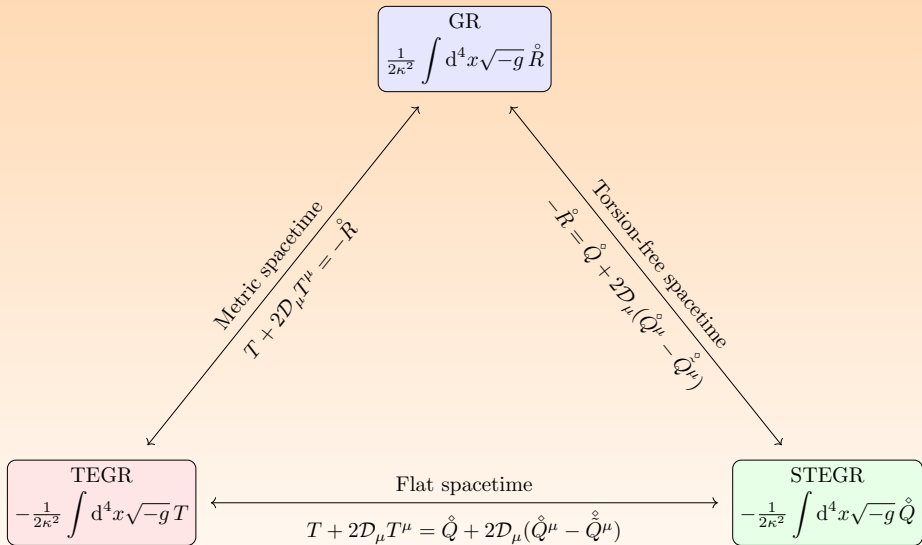


Figure: Geometrical trinity of gravity (S. Bahamonde et.al., “Teleparallel Gravity: From Theory to Cosmology,” [arXiv:2106.13793 [gr-qc]].; J. Beltrán Jiménez, L. Heisenberg and T. S. Koivisto, “The Geometrical Trinity of Gravity,” Universe 5 (2019) no.7, 173.)

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Are torsional Teleparallel theories Lorentz invariant?

There is a lot of misconceptions in the literature since TEGR and their first modifications were proposed in the pure-tetrad formalism, which assumes that $\omega^a{}_{b\mu} = 0$ globally.

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Is it possible to formulate Teleparallel theories in a fully invariant form?

Yes, and the way to do this is by incorporating the spin connection $\omega^a{}_{b\mu}$ in the formulation. If one introduces this quantity, the torsion tensor is always fully covariant (covariant under both diffeo and local Lorentz) and then, any action constructed from it will be fully invariant.

See¹

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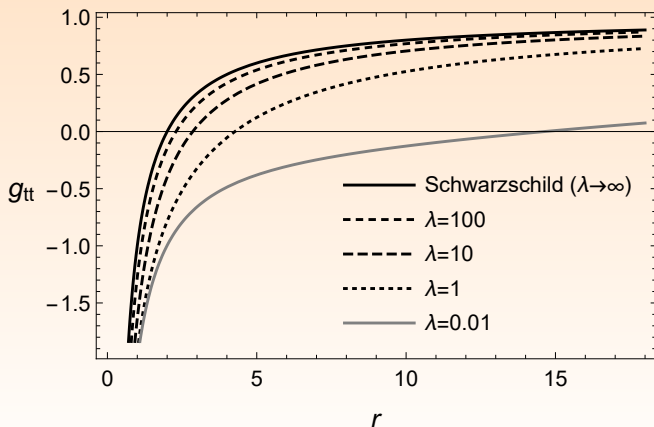
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We also checked numerically that there is only one horizon:



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