

EXACT BRANS-DICKE-BIANCHI TYPE-VIII AND TYPE-IX VACUUM SOLUTIONS

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The field equations of the Brans-Dicke scalar-tensor theory are investigated. Exact vacuum solutions are given for Bianchi type-VIII and type-IX models.

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1. Introduction

By now, much is known about exact solutions of the general theory of relativity (GRT) for spatially homogeneous but anisotropic space-times (Kramer et al. 1980; Lorenz 1983). These space-times belong either to the Bianchi types I-IX or to the Kantowski-Sachs class and are often interpreted as cosmological models (Ryan and Shepley 1975). However, only a restricted number of exact Bianchi solutions are known of the Brans-Dicke theory (BDT) (Ruban and Finkelstein 1972; Belinskii and Khalatnikov 1972; Nariai 1972a, b; Matzner et al. 1973; Rauchdhuri 1975, 1979; Ruban and Finkelstein 1975; Johri and Goswami 1980, 1981; Banerjee and Santos 1982a, b; Chakravarti and De 1983; Lorenz-Petzold 1983a).

Amongst the various modifications of the GRT the BDT is treated most seriously (Weinberg 1972; Wesson 1980). The BDT is consistent with local observations in the solar system as long as the coupling parameter ω between the scalar and tensor components is about equal to or greater than 500 (Will 1980). In the limit $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ the BDT reduces to the GRT for a constant BDT-scalar field ϕ .

Dicke (1964) has claimed that the BDT is Machian in the sense that there are no solutions at all for an empty space and that space closes about a localized mass configuration. However, the first point has been proved to be wrong (O'Hanlon and Tupper 1972) for the Brans-Dicke-Friedmann-Robertson-Walker metric. The Bianchi types are the simplest generalizations of the FRW-models. The vacuum Brans-Dicke-Bianchi type-I solution

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has been first given by Ruban and Finkelstein (1972) (see also Belinskii and Khalatnikov (1972)). The vacuum Bianchi type-II solution has been found by us recently (Lorenz-Petzold 1983b). In this paper we consider the Bianchi type-VIII and type-IX models.

2. Field equations and their solutions

In choosing a local orthonormal basis σ^μ , we can put the metric of space-time in the form

$$ds^2 = \eta_{\mu\nu} \sigma^\mu \sigma^\nu, \quad (1)$$

where $\eta_{\mu\nu}$ is the Minkowski metric tensor. For a spatially homogeneous model we take

$$\sigma^0 = \omega^0 = dt, \quad \sigma^i = R_i \omega^i \quad (\text{no sum}), \quad (2)$$

where ω^i are time-independent differential one-forms and where, because of homogeneity, the R_i are functions of t only. The BDT-equations to be considered are (Lorenz 1980):

$$\dot{H}_i + 3HH_i + \frac{1}{2R^6} [R_i^4 - R_k^4 - R_l^4 + 2\delta n_i R_k^2 R_l^2] + (\ln \phi)' (\ln R_i)' = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 H_2 + H_1 H_3 + H_2 H_3 &= \frac{1}{2} \omega (\ln \phi)'^2 - 3H (\ln \phi)' \\ + \frac{1}{4} [R_1^4 + R_2^4 + R_3^4 - 2\delta (R_2^2 R_3^2 + R_1^2 R_3^2 + \delta R_1^2 R_2^2)] R^{-6}, \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$(R^3 \dot{\phi})' = 0, \quad (5)$$

where i, k, l are in cyclic order, $H_i = \dot{R}_i/R_i$ are the Hubble parameters, $3H = \sum H_i$, $R^3 = R_1 R_2 R_3$, $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 \delta = 1$, $\delta = -1, 1$ (VIII, IX) and $(\)' = d/dt$.

We consider the locally rotationally symmetric (LRS)-case $R := R_1 = R_2$, $S := R_3$. (It can easily be seen that Eqs. (3) do not turn into each other under any permutation of the indices i, k, l for type-VIII, whereas for type-IX the intrinsic geometry of three-space does not privilege any direction of space. For type-VIII we can only equate R_1 with R_2 obtaining a symmetry about the third axis.) Introducing the new time variable η by $dt = SR^2 d\eta$, we obtain from Eq. (5)

$$\phi = a(\eta - \eta_0), \quad a, \eta_0 = \text{const.}, \quad (6)$$

whereas the linear combination of Eq. (3) yields

$$(\ln y)'' + (\ln \phi)' (\ln y)' + 2\delta y = 0, \quad (7)$$

where $y = (RS)^2$ and $(\)' = d/d\eta$. Eq. (7) can be solved to give

$$y = q^2 f \sinh^{-2} q(\eta - \eta_1 + g), \quad \text{type-VIII}, \quad (8a)$$

$$y = q^2 f \cosh^{-2} q(\eta - \eta_1 + g), \quad \text{type-IX}, \quad (8b)$$

where

$$f = c_1^2 \phi^{-2}, \quad g = \ln \phi^{c_1/a} - \eta + c_2 \quad (9)$$

and $q, c_i, \eta_1 = \text{const.}$ Substitution of (8a, b) into Eq. (4) and setting $u = S^2$ we obtain the differential equation

$$u'^2 + 2(\ln \phi)' u u' + u^4 + 4A u^2 \phi^{-2} = 0, \quad (10)$$

where

$$A = [(\frac{1}{2}\omega + 1)a^2 - q^2 c_1^2]. \quad (11)$$

After some calculations we obtain the general solution

$$S^2 = B\phi^{-1} \cosh^{-1}(\ln \phi^{B/a}), \quad (12)$$

where

$$B = [4q^2 c_1^2 - (2\omega \pm 3)a^2]^{1/2}. \quad (13)$$

In conclusion we have derived the BDT-vacuum solutions for the Bianchi type-VIII and type-IX space-times, which are defined by Eqs. (6), (8a, b), (9), (12) and (13). Our solutions are the generalizations of the Taub (1951) GRT-vacuum solutions (note however, that Taub considers only the Bianchi type-IX model). However, it should be noted that in the limit $\phi' = 0$ we do not obtain the corresponding GRT-vacuum solutions. Furthermore, it seems to be impossible to incorporate a perfect fluid matter with stiff equation of state into the BDT Bianchi type-VIII and type-IX models. This is in contrast to the results obtained in the GRT (Kramer et al. 1980; Lorenz 1980).

Note added in proof: The stiff matter solutions have been found by us very recently (Lorenz-Petzold 1984, *Astrophys. Space Sci.*) as well as some more general Bianchi type-VIII and type-IX vacuum solutions.

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