

Problems 44-47

44. In class, when demonstrating conservation of the stress-energy tensor, I used the relationship

$$\frac{1}{2} T^{\mu\nu} \left(\xi^\alpha \partial_\alpha g_{\mu\nu} + g_{\alpha\nu} \partial_\mu \xi^\alpha + g_{\mu\alpha} \partial_\nu \xi^\alpha \right) = T^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \xi_\nu$$

Fill in the missing steps.

45. Show that the variation of the inverse metric is related to the variation of the metric by $\delta g^{\mu\nu} = -g^{\mu\alpha} g^{\nu\beta} \delta g_{\alpha\beta}$.

46. The Lagrangian density for the electromagnetic field is $\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} \epsilon_0 F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu}$, where the fields F are defined as $F_{\mu\nu} \equiv \partial_\mu A_\nu - \partial_\nu A_\mu = \nabla_\mu A_\nu - \nabla_\nu A_\mu$ and $F^{\mu\nu} \equiv g^{\mu\alpha} g^{\nu\beta} F_{\alpha\beta}$. Show that the Euler-Lagrange equations yield the standard source-free Maxwell equations, $\epsilon_0 \nabla_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = 0$.

47. Show that for the Lagrangian density in problem 46, the stress-energy tensor for the electromagnetic field is $T^{\mu\nu} = \epsilon_0 \left(F^\mu{}_\alpha F^{\nu\alpha} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F^{\alpha\beta} F_{\alpha\beta} \right)$