

Coupling procedure for the Poincaré Gauge Theory of Gravity

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$$t_{ab} e^b := - \star \frac{\delta \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_m}{\delta e^a}, \quad S^{abc} e_c := 2 \star \frac{\delta \tilde{\mathcal{L}}_m}{\delta \omega_{ab}}.$$

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Conclusions

- The modified coupling procedure provides a consistent method for coupling gravity to other field theories within the framework of the Poincaré gauge theory of gravity.
- As opposed to MCP, the results obtained do not depend on the choice of flat space Lagrangian from the class of equivalence corresponding to the possibility of adding divergence.
- In particular, the predictions of EC theory with fermions are made unique – they agree with those derived in earlier accounts for a particular choice of fermionic Lagrangian. The same concerns the predictions of EC theory modified by the presence of the Holst term.

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