

Kaluza's fifth dimension

How does Einstein's general relativity look like, if the universe has five instead of four dimension ?

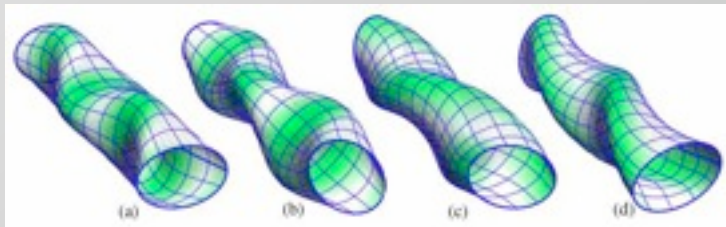


a 5-dimensional universe

Einstein gravity :

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R = 0$$

now gravitational waves can propagate along the fifth dimension



describe a four-dimensional electromagnetic field !
(T. Kaluza, 1921)