

Lecture 4 - Tests of PN Gravity

1. Deflection of light

$$\vec{x}(t) = \vec{x}_0 + \hat{n}(t-t_0) + \vec{x}_p(t)$$

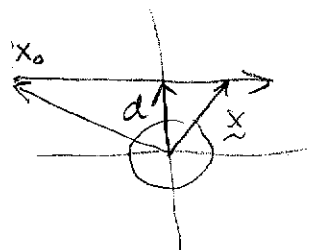
$$\frac{d\vec{x}_p}{dt} = (1+\gamma)(\nabla U - 2\hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \nabla U)) \quad \hat{n} \cdot \frac{d\vec{x}_p}{dt} = -(1+\gamma)U$$

$$(\vec{x}_p)_\parallel = \hat{n} \cdot \vec{x}_p$$

$$(\vec{x}_p)_\perp = \vec{x}_p - \hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{x}_p)$$

Then

$$\frac{d^2(\vec{x}_p)_\perp}{dt^2} = (1+\gamma) [\nabla U - \hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \nabla U)]$$



$$U = \frac{m}{r} = \frac{m}{|\vec{x}_0 + \hat{n}(t-t_0)|}$$

$$d = \hat{n} \times (\vec{x}_0 \times \hat{n})$$

$$\nabla U = -\frac{m(\vec{x}_0 + \hat{n}(t-t_0))}{|\vec{x}_0 + \hat{n}(t-t_0)|^3}$$

$$= \vec{x}_0 - \hat{n}(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{x}_0)$$

Integrate from t_0 to t

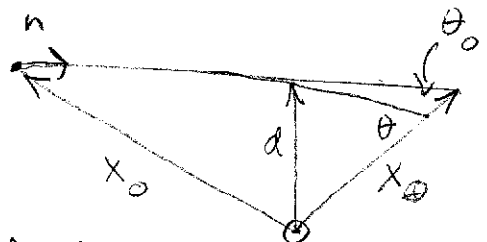
$$\frac{d(\vec{x}_p)_\perp}{dt} = -(1+\gamma) \frac{m}{d^2} \left(\frac{\vec{x}(t) \cdot \hat{n}}{r(t)} - \frac{\vec{x}_0 \cdot \hat{n}}{r_0} \right)$$

$$\cos \theta_0 = \hat{n} \cdot \hat{x}_\oplus$$

$$\cos \theta = \left(\hat{n} + \frac{d\vec{x}_p}{dt} \right) \cdot \hat{x}_\oplus$$

$$= \cos \theta_0 + \frac{d\vec{x}_p}{dt} \cdot \hat{x}_\oplus$$

$$= \cos \theta_0 - \delta \theta \sin \theta_0$$



$$\hat{d} \cdot \hat{x}_\oplus = \sin \theta_0 \quad \theta = \theta_0 + \delta \theta$$

$$\delta\theta = \left(\frac{1+\gamma}{2}\right) \frac{2m}{d} \left(\frac{X_{\oplus} \cdot \hat{n}}{r_{\oplus}} - \frac{X_{\odot} \cdot \hat{n}}{r_{\odot}} \right)$$

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 $\cos\theta_0$ $\rightarrow -1$ for distant body

$$= \left(\frac{1+\gamma}{2}\right) \frac{4m}{d} \left(\frac{1+\cos\theta_0}{2}\right)$$



or

$$\delta\theta = \frac{1+\gamma}{2} \frac{4m}{r_{\oplus}} \left(\frac{1+\cos\theta_0}{2\sin\theta_0}\right)$$

Cases

1. $d = R_{\oplus} \quad m = 4476 \text{ km}$
 $= 6.9 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$

$$\frac{4m}{d} = \frac{1.7505}{(d/R_{\oplus})}$$

2. 90° $\frac{2m}{r_{\oplus}} \approx 4 \text{ mas}$

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2. Shapiro Time Delay

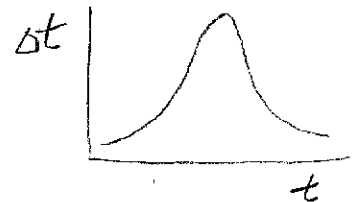
$$\frac{dX_p}{dt} = -(1+\gamma) v$$

$$(X_p)_{||} = -(1+\gamma) m \ln \left(\frac{r(t) + X(t) \cdot \hat{n}}{r_0 + X_0 \cdot \hat{n}} \right)$$

Then

$$|X(t) - X_0| = |v(t-t_e) + X_p(t)|$$

$$= (t-t_e) + v \cdot X_p(t) + \mathcal{O}(X_p)^2$$



$$t + \dots = \dots \left(\frac{r(t) + X(t) \cdot \hat{n}}{r_0 + X_0 \cdot \hat{n}} \right)$$

3. Pericenter advance

Two body eom ($w=0$) PPT

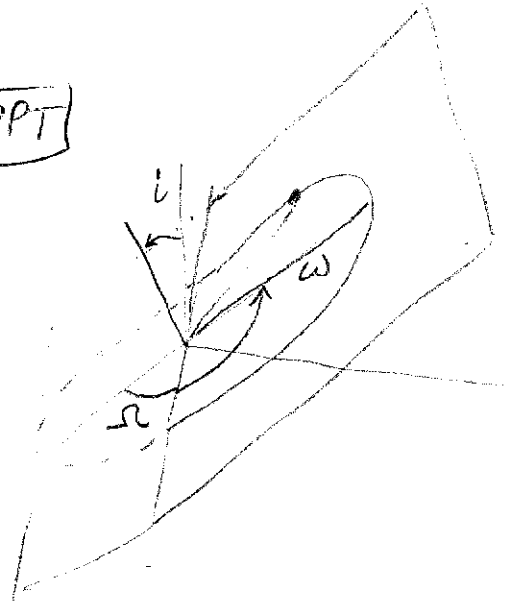
NSI

$$r = \frac{p}{1 + e \cos(\varphi - \omega)}$$

$$p = a(1 - e^2)$$

ω, Ω, i - constant

$$\dot{\varphi} = \frac{\sqrt{\mu p}}{r^2}$$



Perturbation

$$\delta a = R e_r + S e_\lambda + W e_n$$

Then

$$\frac{d\tilde{\omega}}{dt} = - \frac{pR}{he} \cos \varphi + \frac{S(p+r)}{he} \sin \varphi$$

$$\tilde{\omega} = \omega + S \cos i$$

over one orbit

$$\Delta \tilde{\omega} = \frac{6\pi M}{p} \left[\frac{2\gamma + 2 - \beta}{3} + \frac{1}{6} (2\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 + J_2) \frac{M}{m} \right]$$

Mercury

$$a = 0.387 \text{ au}, \quad e = 0.2, \quad P = 0.24 \text{ yr}$$

$$\frac{6\pi M}{p} = 42.98 \text{ ''/c}$$

PPT

$$\mu/m \sim m_\oplus/m_\odot \sim 2 \times 10^{-7}$$

• planets

• J_2

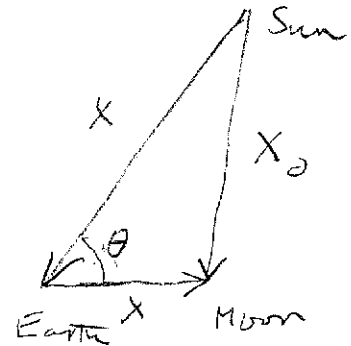
4. The Nordtvedt Effect

$$m_p = m_I \left(1 + \eta \frac{R}{m} \right)$$

$$\eta = 4\beta - \gamma - 3 - \frac{10}{3}\zeta - \alpha_1 + \frac{2}{3}\alpha_2 - \frac{2}{3}\zeta_1 - \frac{1}{3}\zeta_2$$

$$a_{\oplus}^i = - \left(\frac{m_p}{m_I} \right)_{\oplus} \left[\frac{(m_A)_{\odot} X^i}{R^3} - \frac{(m_A)_{\oplus} X^i}{r^3} \right]$$

$$a_{\oplus}^i = - \left(\frac{m_p}{m_I} \right)_{\oplus} \left[\frac{(m_A)_{\odot} X_0^i}{R_0^3} + \frac{(m_A)_{\oplus} X^i}{r^3} \right]$$



$$a^i = a_{\oplus}^i - a_{\odot}^i = - \frac{m^* X^i}{r^3} + \eta \left[\left(\frac{R}{m} \right)_{\oplus} - \left(\frac{R}{m} \right)_{\odot} \right] \frac{(m_A)_{\oplus} X^i}{R^3} + \left(\frac{m_p}{m} \right)_{\oplus} m_{\odot} \left[\frac{X^i}{R^3} - \frac{X_0^i}{R_0^3} \right]$$

↳ $\sim X/R^4$ - tidal

$$\frac{dr}{dt^2} = \frac{X \cdot a}{r} + \frac{l^2}{r^3}$$

$$r = |x|$$

$$l = \tilde{x} \times \tilde{v}$$

$$\frac{dl}{dt} = X \times a$$

$$\delta a = \frac{m_{\odot}}{R^2} \eta [\quad]$$

$$\ddot{r} = - \frac{m^*}{r^2} + \frac{l^2}{r^3} + \delta a \cos \Lambda t$$

$$\theta = \Lambda t \quad \Lambda = \omega_{\odot} - \omega_S$$

$$\dot{l} = -r \delta a \sin \Lambda t$$

$$\text{Let } r = r_0 + \delta r$$

$$\frac{m^*}{r_0^3} = \frac{l_0^2}{r_0^4} = \omega_0^2$$

$$l = l_0 + \delta l$$

$$\delta l = + \frac{r}{\Lambda} \delta a \cos \Lambda t$$

$$\delta \ddot{r} + \omega_0^2 \delta r = \delta a \left(1 + \frac{2\omega_0}{\Lambda}\right) \cos \Lambda t$$

$$\delta r = \left(\frac{1 + 2\omega_0/\Lambda}{\omega_0^2 - \Lambda^2} \right) \delta a \cos \Lambda t$$

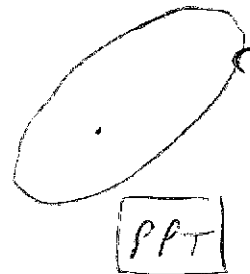
$$\frac{m_\oplus}{R^2} \approx 5.9 \times 10^{-6} \frac{\text{km}}{\text{s}^2} \quad \omega_0 \sim 13.4 \omega_s$$

$$\left(\frac{\Omega}{m}\right)_\oplus \approx -46 \times 10^{-10} \quad \left(\frac{\Omega}{m}\right)_\oplus \approx -0.2 \times 10^{-10}$$

$$\delta r \approx (9.2 \text{ m}) \eta \cos (\omega_0 - \omega_s) t$$

$$LLR \sim \underline{\text{mm}}$$

$$|\eta| < 9 \times 10^{-4}$$



5. Gravity Probe B

$$\frac{dS}{dt} = \Omega \times S$$

$$\Omega = \frac{1}{4}(\gamma + 4 + \alpha_1) \nabla \times V + (\gamma + \frac{1}{2}) v \times \nabla U$$

$$V^i = \int_a \frac{\rho v^i d^3x}{|x-x'|} = \int_a \rho v^i \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{\bar{x}' \cdot n}{r^2} + \dots \right) \quad r = |x-x_a|$$

$$= \frac{m_a v_a^i}{r} + \frac{m^j}{r^2} \int \rho \bar{x}'^j v^i d^3x \quad v = v_a + \bar{v}_a$$

$$\bar{x}' = x' - x_a$$

But

$$\int \rho \bar{x}'^j v^i = \int \rho x^j v^i + \int \rho x^j v^i$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int \rho \bar{x}^j \bar{x}^j + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{j\ell k} \epsilon^{k\ell m} \underbrace{\int \rho \bar{x}^j v^m}_{J^k}$$

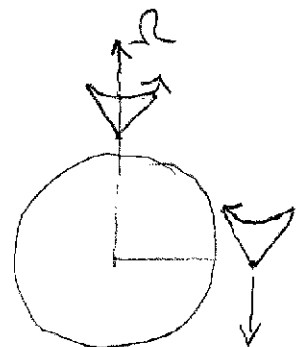
at rest \Rightarrow
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 $\overset{0}{\text{stationary}}$

$$V^i = \frac{m_a v_a^i}{r} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\tilde{x} \times \tilde{J}_a}{r^3}$$

Then

$$\Omega = (\gamma + \frac{1}{2}) \tilde{v} \times \nabla \left(\frac{m}{r} \right)$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} (\gamma + 1 + \frac{1}{4} \alpha_1) \left(\frac{\tilde{J} - 3n(n \cdot \tilde{J})}{r^3} \right)$$



$\tilde{v} = v_a + \bar{v}_a$

b. Tests of SEP

Anisotropy in G

$$\delta G \sim \gamma \frac{m_3}{R} (e \cdot N)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \alpha_2 (e \cdot W)^2$$

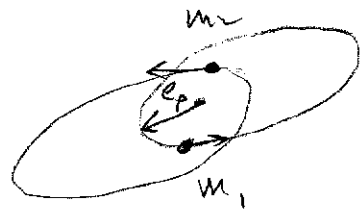
- Earth tides - gravimeter data

$$|\gamma| < 10^{-3}$$

$$|\alpha_2| < 4 \times 10^{-4}$$

7. Tests of Conservation laws

Levi-Civita binaries



$$\langle \dot{a}_{\text{sec}} \rangle = (\alpha_3 + \beta_2) \frac{\pi m_1 m_2 \dot{m}}{P(\text{mp})^{3/2}} e e_{\text{rel}}$$

binary pulsar

$\dot{a} \rightarrow \dot{dP}/dt$ - but all pulsars have dP/dt

But e_p is changing $\sim 4^\circ/\text{yr}$

$\dot{a} \rightarrow \dot{d^2P}/dt^2$ - tight bound

$$|\alpha_3 + \beta_2| < 4 \times 10^{-5}$$