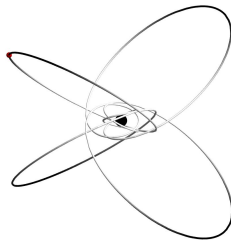


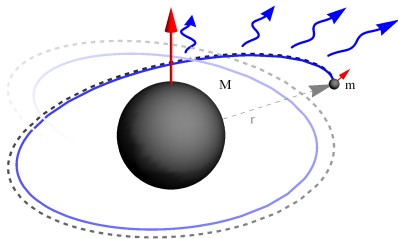
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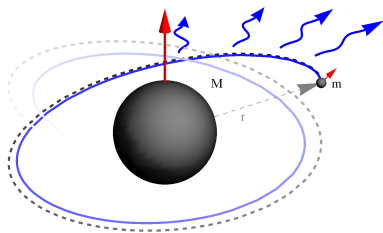


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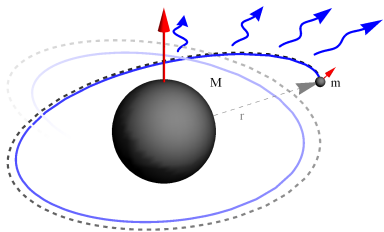
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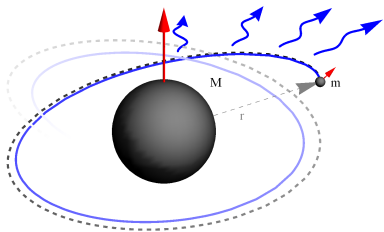
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19th Capra meeting (2016) participants

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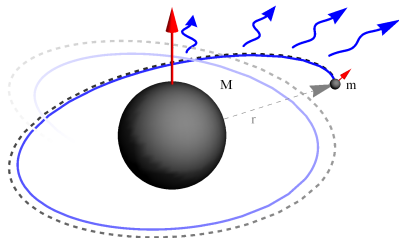
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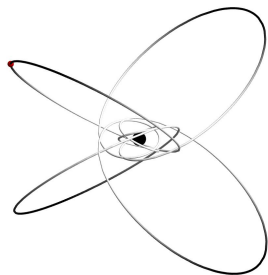
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Test mass limit: Geodesic equations



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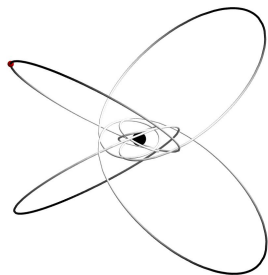
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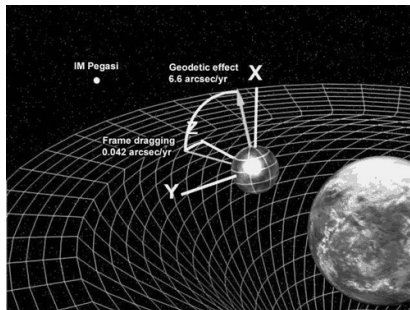
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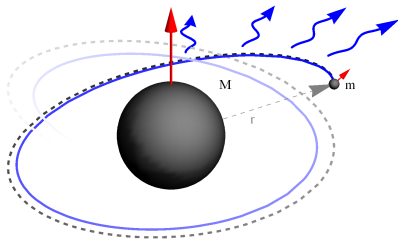
## Motion of test spin

- de Sitter precession (geodetic effect)
- Lense-Thirring effect



## Parallel transport

- Parallel transport equations can be numerically integrated once geodesic is known.
- No known generic analytic solutions.



Adiabatic approximation



## Averaged fluxes

The (long term) average rate of change of the constants of motion can be gauged by measuring the GW flux towards infinity and into the primary black hole.

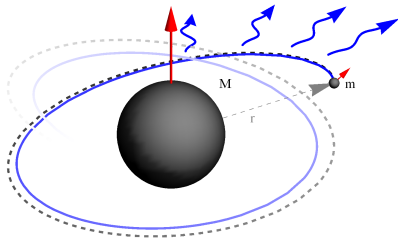
- $\langle \dot{E} \rangle$  from the energy flux.
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- $\langle \dot{Q} \rangle$  see [Sago et al., 2006]

## Evolution: osculating geodesics

At any instant the inspiral is tangent to some geodesic. Instantaneous values of  $\langle \dot{E} \rangle$ ,  $\langle \dot{L}_z \rangle$ , and  $\langle \dot{Q} \rangle$  are obtained by solving Teukolsky equation sourced by geodesic.

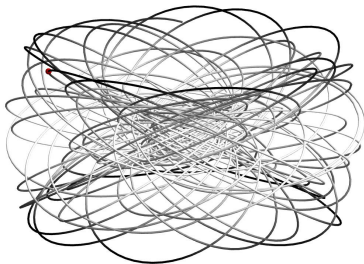
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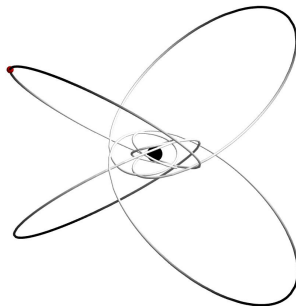


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Generic



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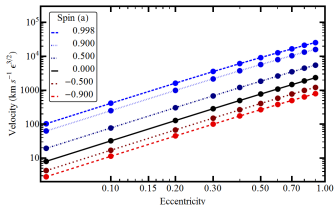
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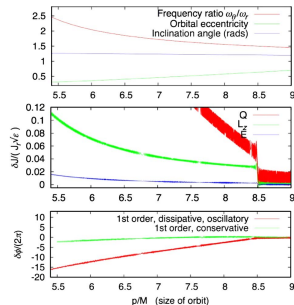
Occur generically in inclined inspirals, and mostly within the eLISA band. [see poster C. Berry]

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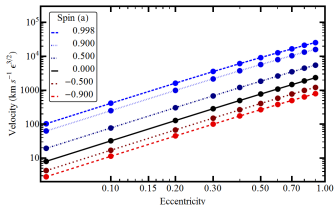
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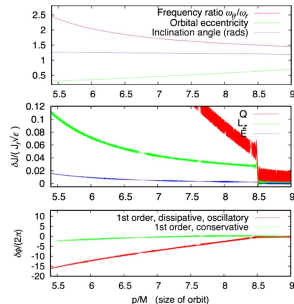
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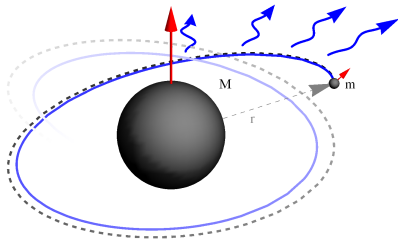


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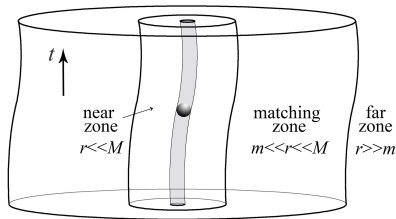
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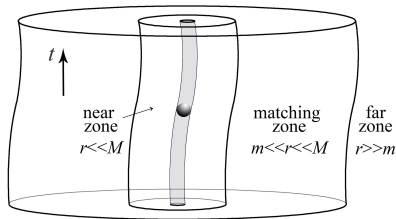
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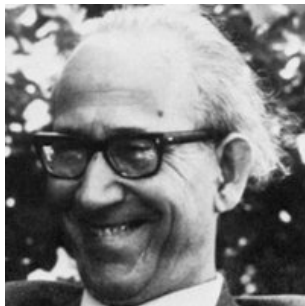
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## Mathisson-Papapetrou spin-force

- force induced on geodesic by the presence of spin on test object.
- first order correction in  $\mu$
- first derived by Papapetrou [Papapetrou, 1951].
- analytic expression in terms of position, velocity, and spin-vector.

## MiSaTaQuWa formula

[Mino, Sasaki & Tanaka, 1996][Quinn & Wald, 1996]

$$\frac{D}{d\tau} x^\alpha = \mu F^\alpha[h^R]$$

$h^R$  is “regular” part of (retarded) metric perturbation produced by point particle.



## Methods for obtaining regular part

- 1 Mode-sum regularization [Barack & Ori, 2001]
- 2 Effective source methods [Barack & Golbourn, 2008]
- 3 Green's function methods [Mino, Sasaki & Tanaka, 1996]

## Time domain

- Decompose field equations in spherical harmonics.
- Numerically solve system of 1 + 1D PDEs on a grid.
- [Barack, Lousto, Sago]
- 2+1D and 3+1D methods also explored

## Frequency domain

- Further decompose equations in Fourier modes.
- Numerically solve system of ODEs.
- [Barack, Burko, Detweiler, Warburton, Akcay, Kavanagh, Ottewill, Evans, Hopper, ...]

## State-of-the-art

- Self-force calculations using a wide variety of methods (Time domain, frequency domain, mode-sum, effective source, etc.)
- eccentricities up to  $\lesssim 0.8$ . [Osburn, Warburton& Evans, 2016]

## The problem with Kerr

No spherical symmetry. Field equations do not decouple in “spherical” harmonics.

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- Decompose field equations in azimuthal  $m$ -modes.
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- [Dolan, Wardell, Barack, Thornburg]
- Issues with numerically unstable gauge modes

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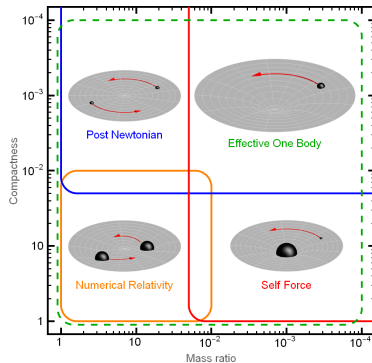
- Teukolsky equation for Weyl scalars  $\psi_0$  and  $\psi_4$  does decouple in Fourier modes. [Teukolsky, 1972]
- Can be solved using semi-analytical methods. [Mano, Suzuki & Tagasugi, 1996]
- Metric perturbation can be reconstructed from  $\psi_0$  and  $\psi_4$  in radiation gauge. [Chrzanowski, Cohen, Kegeles, 1970s]
- [Friedman, Keidl, Shah, MvdM, ...]

## State-of-the-art

- GSF on eccentric equatorial orbits [MvdM, 2016]
- Generic orbits... (coming soon)

## Invariants

- Energy & angular momentum fluxes
- Detweiler-Barack-Sago redshift
- ISCO shift
- Periapsis precession
- Spin precession (“self-torque”)
- Tidal invariants



## Crosschecks with ...

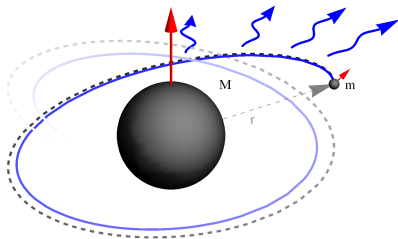
- Other self-force calculations (different method, gauge, etc.)
- post-Newtonian theory
- Numerical relativity
- Effective-One-Body models

## Second order challenge

- Second order GSF essential ingredient for 1PA evolution.
- Technical formalism in place [Pound, Rosenthal, Gralla, Detweiler,...]
- Challenges in “UV”
- Challenges in “IR”

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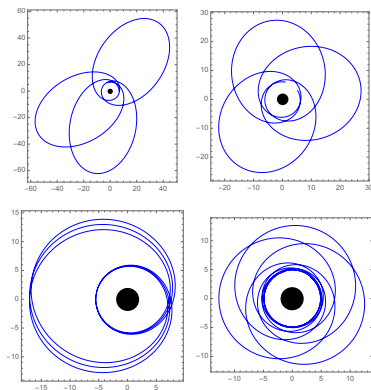
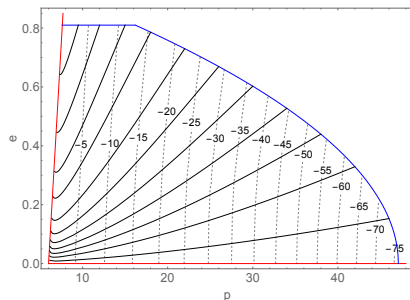
First numerical calculations (Schwarzschild circular orbits) expected “soon”.



## Inspiral evolution

# Self-forced inspirals: Schwarzschild

[Warburton, Akcay, Barack, Gair & Sago, 2012] [Osburn, Warburton & Evans, 2016]



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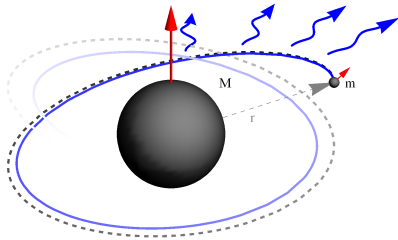
- GSF sourced by instantaneously tangent geodesic.
- No second order GSF included.
- Conservative GSF effects add phase difference of several tens of radians over inspiral.

$$\mu = 10^{-5}$$

initial data:  $p = 12$ ,  $e = 0.81$

2115.5, 500, 100, and 1 day(s) before plunge.





# Status overview

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