### **Finding self-force quantities in a post-Newtonian expansion** Eccentric orbits on a Schwarzschild background



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## Eccentric orbits on Schwarzschild have two frequencies



The radial frequency is oscillatory, but the azimuthal frequency is not





### Darwin's parametrization puts the orbit into a "Newtonian-like" form





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The metric perturbation in Regge-Wheeler gauge is found by solving a wave equation



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Time domain EHS 
$$\longrightarrow \Psi_{\ell m}^{\pm}(t,r) = \sum_{n} C_{\ell m n}^{\pm} \hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\pm}(r) e^{-i\omega t} \qquad r > 2M$$

$$\Psi_{\ell m}(t,r) = \Psi_{\ell m}^+(t,r)\theta \left[r - r_p(t)\right] + \Psi_{\ell m}^-(t,r)\theta \left[r_p(t) - r\right]$$



Normalization coefficients are found by integrating a radially-periodic function

Homogeneous solutions  

$$C_{\ell mn}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{W_{\ell mn} T_r} \int_0^{T_r} \left[ \frac{1}{f_p} \hat{R}_{\ell mn}^{\mp}(r_p) G_{\ell m}(t) + \left( \frac{2M}{r_p^2 f_p^2} \hat{R}_{\ell mn}^{\mp}(r_p) - \frac{1}{f_p} \frac{d\hat{R}_{\ell mn}^{\mp}(r_p)}{dr} \right) F_{\ell m}(t) \right] e^{i\omega t} dt$$
Master equation source term  $S_{\ell m}(t, r) = G_{\ell m}(t) \, \delta[r - r_p(t)] + F_{\ell m}(t) \, \delta'[r - r_p(t)]$ 

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$$\bar{G}_{\ell m}(t) \equiv G_{\ell m}(t) e^{im\Omega_{\varphi}t}, \qquad \bar{F}_{\ell m}(t) \equiv F_{\ell m}(t) e^{im\Omega_{\varphi}t} \qquad \omega = m\Omega_{\varphi} + n\Omega_r$$
  
Radially periodic

$$C_{\ell m n}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{W_{\ell m n} T_r} \int_0^{T_r} \left[ \frac{1}{f_p} \hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\mp}(r_p) \bar{G}_{\ell m}(t) + \left( \frac{2M}{r_p^2 f_p^2} \hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\mp}(r_p) - \frac{1}{f_p} \frac{d\hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\mp}(r_p)}{dr} \right) \bar{F}_{\ell m}(t) \right] e^{in\Omega_r t} dt$$
  
Manifestly radially periodic

Removing the azimuthal frequency dependence from the master function makes it periodic

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"Barred" versions of the metric perturbation amplitudes pick up counter terms

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$$h_t^{\ell m,\pm} = \frac{f}{2} \partial_r \left( r \Psi_{\ell m}^{\pm} \right)$$
$$h_r^{\ell m,\pm} = \frac{r}{2f} \left( \partial_t \Psi_{\ell m}^{\pm} \right)$$

$$\bar{\Psi}_{\ell m}^{\pm}(t,r) = \Psi_{\ell m}^{\pm}(t,r)e^{im\Omega_{\varphi}t}$$

$$\bar{h}_{t}^{\ell m,\pm} = \frac{f}{2} \partial_{r} \left( r \bar{\Psi}_{\ell m}^{\pm} \right)$$
$$\bar{h}_{r}^{\ell m,\pm} = \frac{r}{2f} \left( \partial_{t} \bar{\Psi}_{\ell m}^{\pm} - im \Omega_{\varphi} \bar{\Psi}_{\ell m}^{\pm} \right)$$

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 $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ 

π

2π

 $\frac{\pi}{2}$ 

0

Dependent on four variables  $\longrightarrow p_{tt}(t, r, \theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell, m} h_{tt}^{\ell m}(t, r) Y^{\ell m}(\theta, \varphi)$  $p_{tt}(\chi) = \sum_{\ell,m} h_{tt}^{\ell m}(t_p, r_p) Y^{\ell m}(\theta_p, \varphi_p)$ **Evaluated** at the particle  $p_{tt}(\chi) = \sum_{\ell,m} \left[ \bar{h}_{tt}^{\ell m}(t_p, r_p) e^{-im\Omega_{\varphi} t} \right] \cdot \left[ Y^{\ell m}(\theta_p, 0) e^{im\Delta\varphi(t)} e^{im\Omega_{\varphi} t_p} \right]$  $\operatorname{Re}\left[p_{tt}^{22}(\chi)\right]$ 0.050  $p_{tt}(\chi) = \sum_{\ell,m} \bar{h}_{tt}^{\ell m}(t,r_p) \bar{Y}^{\ell m}(\theta_p,\varphi_p)$ 0.045 p = 10e = 0.50.040  $\bar{Y}^{\ell m}(\theta_p,\varphi_p) = Y^{\ell m}(\theta_p,\varphi_p)e^{-im\Omega_{\varphi}t}$ 0.035







There has been a lot of previous work, but here are a couple highlights





The fundamental frequencies can be expanded in the gauge invariant PN parameter *x* 



Integrate order-by-order 
$$\longrightarrow \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dt_p}{d\chi} d\chi \longrightarrow T_r = 2\pi M \left(\frac{p}{1-e^2}\right)^{3/2} \left[1 + \frac{3\left(1-e^2\right)}{p} + \mathcal{O}\left(p^{-2}\right)\right]$$

x as an expansion in 1/p 
$$\Omega_{\varphi} = \frac{1}{M} \left( \frac{1 - e^2}{p} \right)^{3/2} \left[ 1 + 3\frac{e^2}{p} + \mathcal{O}\left(p^{-2}\right) \right]$$
$$x = \left( M\Omega_{\varphi} \right)^{2/3}$$

Invert the expansion 
$$\longrightarrow$$
  $p = \frac{1 - e^2}{x} + 2e^2 + \mathcal{O}(x^1)$ 

$$\Omega_r = \frac{x^{3/2}}{M} \left[ 1 - \frac{3}{1 - e^2} x + \mathcal{O}(x^2) \right] \qquad \Omega_\varphi = \frac{x^{3/2}}{M}$$
  
Fundamental frequencies

Radial position is described by a cosine series at each PN order



#### Azimuthal motion is dominated by linear growth





 $\Delta \varphi$  is described by a sine series at each PN order





$$\Delta\varphi(\chi) = \left[2e\sin(\chi) - \frac{3}{4}e^2\sin(2\chi) + \mathcal{O}\left(e^3\right)\right]x^0 + \left[4e\sin(\chi) - \frac{3}{4}e^2\sin(2\chi) + \mathcal{O}\left(e^3\right)\right]x^1 + \mathcal{O}\left(x^2\right)$$



Homogeneous solutions are found by expanding in two separate limits

Odd parity,  
homogenous  
equation 
$$\left[\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - V_{\ell}(r)\right] R_{\ell\omega}(r) = 0$$

**Expansion** variables

Example, l = 2, through 1PN

$$X_{1} = \frac{M}{r} \qquad X_{2} = (\omega r)^{2} \qquad \qquad R^{+} = -\frac{i}{16X_{2}}c^{2} - \frac{i(10X_{1} + X_{2})}{96X_{2}}c^{0} + \mathcal{O}\left(c^{-2}\right)$$
$$X_{1} \sim X_{2} \ll 1 \qquad \qquad R^{-} = \frac{i}{384X_{1}^{4}\sqrt{X_{2}}}c^{9} - \frac{i\sqrt{X_{2}}}{5376X_{1}^{4}}c^{7} + \mathcal{O}\left(c^{5}\right)$$

The homogeneous solutions are evaluated at the location of the particle





Spectrum from source's Fourier series

$$r_p(\chi) = \begin{bmatrix} M - eM\cos(\chi) + \mathcal{O}\left(e^2\right) \end{bmatrix} x^{-1} \\ + \begin{bmatrix} 2e^2M - 2e^3M\cos(\chi) + \mathcal{O}\left(e^4\right) \end{bmatrix} x^0 + \mathcal{O}\left(x^1\right) \qquad \omega = \frac{(m+n)}{M} x^{3/2} + \left[-\frac{3n}{M} - \frac{3ne^2}{M} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^3\right)\right] x^{5/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^3\right)$$

$$R^{+} = \left[ -\frac{i}{16(m+n)^{2}} - \frac{i\cos(\chi)e}{8(m+n)^{2}} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right) \right] x^{-1} + \left[ -\frac{i\left(m^{3} + 3m^{2}n + 3mn^{2} + 10m + n^{3} + 46n\right)}{96(m+n)^{3}} - \frac{ie(5m+17n)\cos(\chi)}{16(m+n)^{3}} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right) \right] x^{0} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^{1}\right)$$

$$R^{-} = \left[\frac{i}{384(m+n)} - \frac{i\cos(\chi)e}{128(m+n)} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right)\right]x^{-9/2} + \left[-i\frac{(m+n)^{3} - 42n}{5376(m+n)^{2}} + \frac{i\left(5m^{3} + 15nm^{2} + 15n^{2}m + 5n^{3} - 126n\right)\cos(\chi)e}{5376(m+n)^{2}} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right)\right]x^{-7/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^{-5/2}\right)x^{-7/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^{-5/2}\right)x^{$$

Homogeneous solutions, odd parity, *l*=2, generic *m*,*n* 



# Expansions of orbit quantities feed into G and F for generic *l* and *m*

$$C_{\ell m n}^{\pm} = \frac{1}{W_{\ell m n} T_r} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[ \frac{1}{f_p} \hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\mp}(\chi) \bar{G}_{\ell m}(\chi) + \left( \frac{2M}{r_p^2 f_p^2} \hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\mp}(\chi) - \frac{1}{f_p} \frac{d\hat{R}_{\ell m n}^{\mp}(\chi)}{dr} \right) \bar{F}_{\ell m}(\chi) \right] e^{in\Omega_r t_p(\chi)} \frac{dt_p}{d\chi} d\chi$$

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$$\bar{G}_{\ell m}(\chi) = 8\sqrt{\pi} \frac{\mu}{M} \frac{(\ell - m + 1)}{(\ell - 1)\ell(\ell + 1)(\ell + 2)} \sqrt{\frac{(2\ell + 1)(\ell - m)!}{(m + \ell)!}} P_{\ell + 1}^{m} \\ \times \left\{ \left[ -2 + \left(2e^{i\chi}(m - 1) - 2e^{-i\chi}(m + 1)\right)e + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right)\right] x^{3/2} \\ + \left[1 + \left(e^{-i\chi}(4 - 2m) + 2e^{i\chi}(m + 2)\right)e + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right)\right] x^{5/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^{7/2}\right) \right\}$$

Generic *l*,*m*, no *n* dependence

## Normalized frequency domain solutions are found for generic *m* and *n*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{2mn}^{+} &= \mu \sqrt{\frac{(2-m)!}{(2+m)!} \frac{\sin(n\pi)}{\sqrt{5\pi}} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{128i(m-3)(m+n)^2 P_3^m}{3n} + \frac{128i(m-3)(2m-n)(m+n)^2 P_3^m e}{3(n^2-1)} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^2\right) \right] x^{3/2} \\ &+ \left[ \frac{32i(m-3)\left(3m^4 + 12nm^3 + 2\left(9n^2 + 7\right)m^2 + 4n\left(3n^2 + 49\right)m + n^2\left(3n^2 + 182\right)\right) P_3^m}{21n} \right] \\ &- \frac{32i(m-3)(m+n)\left(6m^4 + 9nm^3 - \left(9n^2 + 77\right)m^2 - 7n\left(3n^2 - 44\right)m - n^2\left(9n^2 + 119\right)\right) P_3^m e}{21(n^2-1)} + \mathcal{O}\left(e^2\right) \right] x^{5/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^3\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

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$$R^{\pm}_{\ell m n}(\chi) = C^{\pm}_{\ell m n} \hat{R}^{\pm}_{\ell m n}(\chi)$$

$$R_{2mn}^{+} = \mu \sqrt{\frac{(2-m)!}{(2+m)!}} \frac{\sin(n\pi)}{\sqrt{5\pi}} \left\{ \left[ -\frac{8\left((m-3)P_{3}^{m}\right)}{3n} + \left(\frac{8(m-3)(2m-n)}{3\left(n^{2}-1\right)} - \frac{16(m-3)\cos(\chi)}{3n}\right) P_{3}^{m}e + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right) \right] \sqrt{x} + \left[ -\frac{2\left((m-3)\left(5m^{2}+10nm+5n^{2}+98\right)P_{3}^{m}\right)}{63n} + \left(\frac{2(m-3)\left(10m^{3}+33nm^{2}+36n^{2}m+511m+13n^{3}-287n\right)}{63\left(n^{2}-1\right)} + \frac{4(m-3)\left(3m^{2}+6nm+3n^{2}-56\right)\cos(\chi)}{21n}\right) P_{3}^{m}e + \mathcal{O}\left(e^{2}\right) \right] x^{3/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(x^{2}\right) \right\}$$

FD extended homogeneous solutions, odd parity, *l*=2, generic *m*,*n* 

#### The finite-order *e* expansion truncates the sum over

#### harmonics



m

The retarded metric perturbation is computed only once for each *l* mode



Metric perturbation expressions are remarkably simple

$$p_{tt}^{22,+} = \frac{\mu}{M} \left[ \frac{3}{4} + \left( \frac{3e^{-i\chi}}{8} + \frac{3e^{i\chi}}{8} \right) e + \mathcal{O} \left( e^2 \right) \right] x \\ + \frac{\mu}{M} \left[ -\frac{149}{56} + \left( -\frac{229}{112} e^{-i\chi} - \frac{437e^{i\chi}}{112} \right) e + \mathcal{O} \left( e^2 \right) \right] x^2 + \mathcal{O} \left( x^3 \right) \\ p_{tt}^{22,-} = \frac{\mu}{M} \left[ \frac{3}{4} + \left( \frac{3e^{-i\chi}}{8} + \frac{3e^{i\chi}}{8} \right) e + \mathcal{O} \left( e^2 \right) \right] x \\ + \frac{\mu}{M} \left[ -\frac{149}{56} + \left( -\frac{509}{112} e^{-i\chi} - \frac{157e^{i\chi}}{112} \right) e + \mathcal{O} \left( e^2 \right) \right] x^2 + \mathcal{O} \left( x^3 \right)$$

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#### We see convergence in x for small values of e



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### Sometimes the convergence with *e* stalls



#### For small values of *e* the convergence continues



#### These are the main points

$$p_{\mu\nu}(\chi), \frac{\partial p_{\mu\nu}}{\partial t}(\chi), \frac{\partial p_{\mu\nu}}{\partial r}(\chi) \qquad 0 \le \ell \le 10 \qquad 4 \text{ PN}, e^{10}$$

#### **Hofstadter's Law:**

It always takes longer than you expect, even when you take into account Hofstadter's Law. - Douglas Hofstadter

