

SELF-FORCE OF ACCELERATED MOTION

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Self-force

Scalar field satisfies

$$(\square - \xi R - m^2)\Phi = q \int \sqrt{-g} \delta_4(x, z(\tau)) d\tau$$

Regular-singular split: $\Phi_R = \Phi_{ret} - \Phi_S$

Detweiler-Whiting Singular field:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi_S(x) &= q \int_{\gamma} G^{(S)}(x, z(\tau)) d\tau \\ &= \frac{q}{2} \left[\frac{U(x, x')}{\sigma_{c'} u^{c'}} \right]_{x' = x_{ret}}^{x' = x_{adv}} + \frac{q}{2} \int_{\tau_{ret}}^{\tau_{adv}} V(x, z(\tau)) d\tau\end{aligned}$$

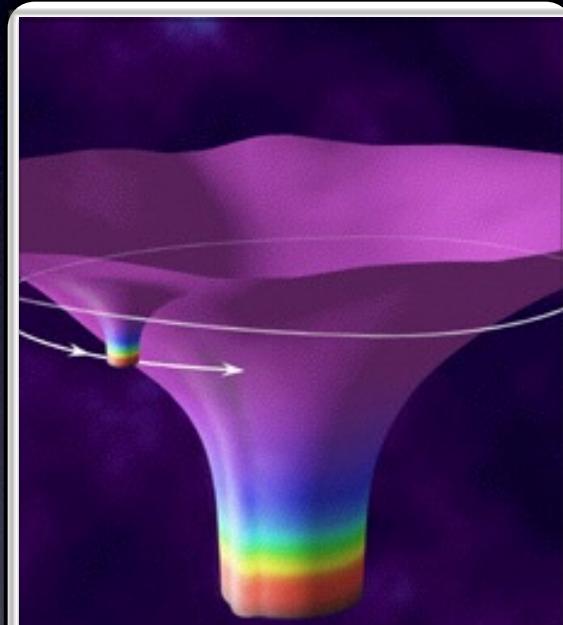


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Detweiler-Whiting Green function:

$$G^{(S)} = \frac{1}{2} \{ U(x, x') \delta[\sigma(x, x')] + V(x, x') \theta[\sigma(x, x')]\}$$

Singular Field

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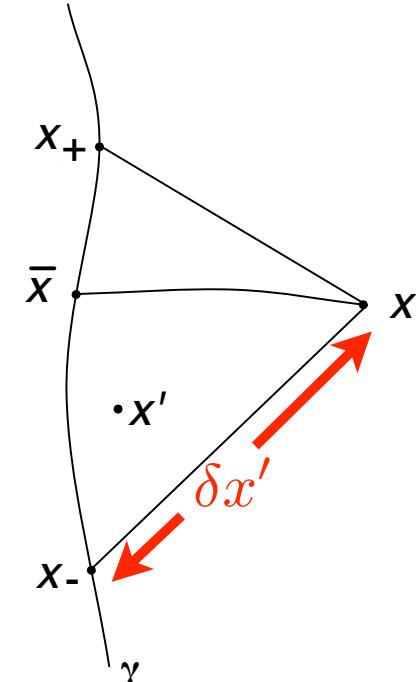
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where

$$\sigma(x, x') = \frac{1}{2} g_{ab}(x) \delta x^{a'} \delta x^{b'} + A_{abc}(x) \delta x^{a'} \delta x^{b'} \delta x^{c'} + \dots$$

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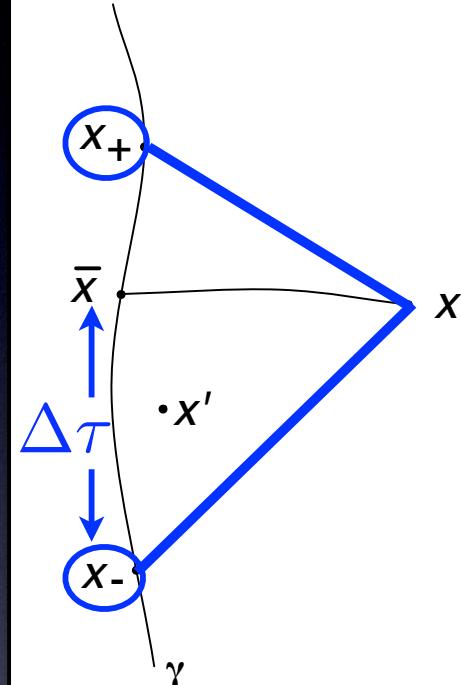
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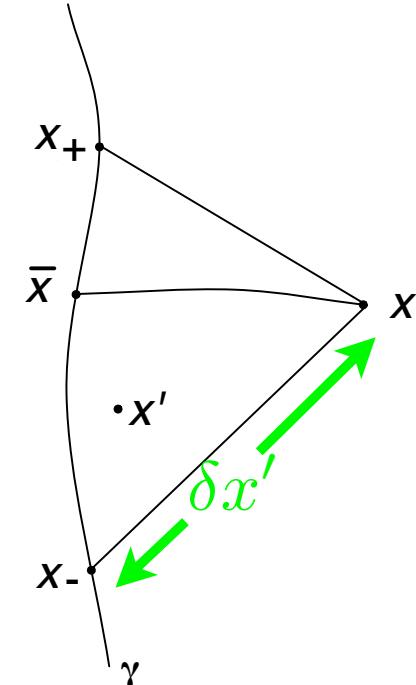
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where

$$\Delta^{\frac{1}{2}}(x, x') = \left(-[-g(x)]^{-\frac{1}{2}} |-\sigma_{a'b}(x, x')| [-g(x')]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

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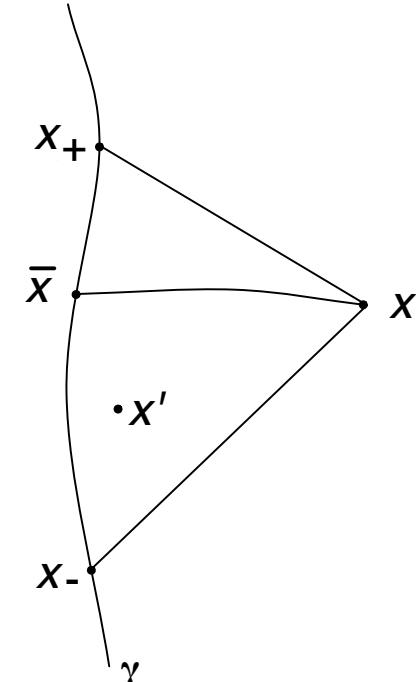
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$$f^a = g^{ab} u^c A^{(R)}_{[c,b]} \cdot V^{AB'}(x, x') = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} V_n{}^{AB'}(x, x') \sigma^n(x, x')$$



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$$\sigma^{;\alpha'} (\Delta^{-1/2} V_n{}^{AB'})_{;\alpha'} + (n+1) \Delta^{-1/2} V_n{}^{AB'} + \frac{1}{2n} \Delta^{-1/2} \mathcal{D}^{B'}{}_{C'} V_{n-1}{}^{AC'} = 0$$

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Mode Sum

$$\begin{aligned}f_a^l(r_0, t_0) &= \lim_{\Delta r \rightarrow 0} \sum_m f_a^{lm}(r_0 + \Delta r, t_0) Y^{lm}(\alpha_0, \beta_0) \\&= \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} \lim_{\Delta r \rightarrow 0} \int f_a(r_0 + \Delta r, t_0, \alpha, \beta) P_l(\cos \alpha) d\Omega\end{aligned}$$

$$\sin \theta \cos \phi = \cos \alpha$$

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$$\cos \theta = \sin \alpha \cos \beta$$

Mode Sum

$$f_a^l(r_0, t_0) = \left[\frac{2l+1}{4\pi} \epsilon^{-2} \lim_{\Delta r \rightarrow 0} \int \frac{B_a^{(1)}}{\rho^3} P_l(\cos \alpha) d\Omega F_{a[-1]}^l(r_0, t_0) + \epsilon^{n-3} \sum_{n=2} \int \rho_0^{n-3} c_{a(n)}(r_0, \beta) P_l(\cos \alpha) d\Omega \right] w_1 = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \cos \beta \\ w_2 = 2 \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \sin \beta$$

Singular field contribution:

where $\mathcal{B}_a^{(k)} = b_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_k}(\bar{x}) \Delta x^{a_1} \Delta x^{a_2} \dots \Delta x^{a_k}$

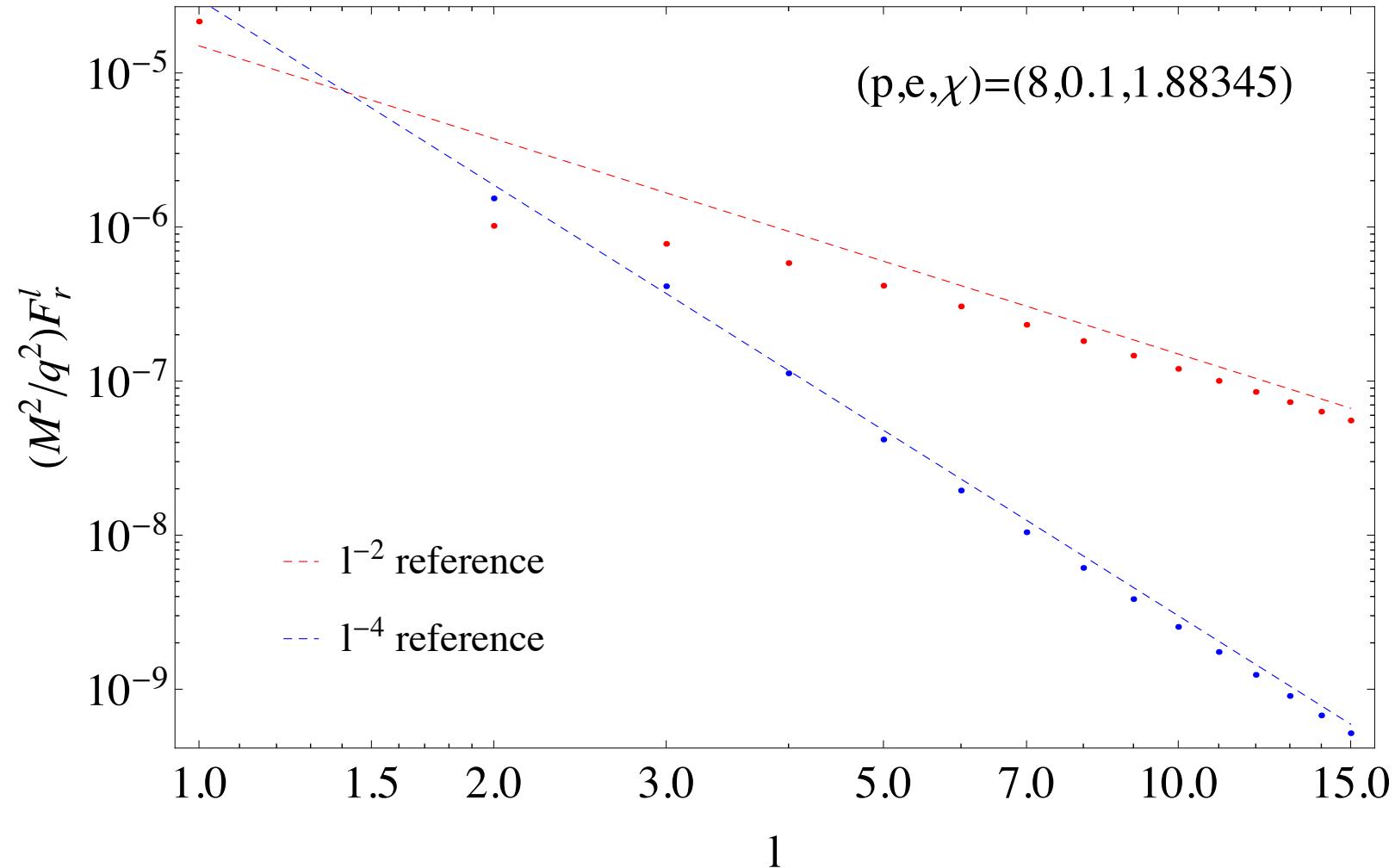
$$f_a(r, t, \alpha, \beta) = \sum_{n=1} \frac{\mathcal{B}_a^{(3n-2)}}{\rho^{2n+1}} \epsilon^{n-3}$$

$$\rho^2 = (g_{\bar{a}\bar{b}} u^{\bar{a}} \Delta x^b)^2 + g_{\bar{a}\bar{b}} \Delta x^a \Delta x^b \\ = \frac{\dot{t}_0^2}{1 + r_0^2 \dot{\phi}_0^2} \Delta r^2 + \left(r_0^2 + r_0^4 \dot{\phi}_0^2 \right) [\Delta w_1^2 + \frac{\dot{r}_0 \dot{\phi}_0}{f(r_0) (1 + r_0^2 \dot{\phi}_0)} \Delta r]^2 + r_0^2 \Delta w_2^2$$

$$\Delta w_1 \rightarrow \Delta w_1 + \mu \Delta r \Rightarrow \rho(r, t_0, \alpha, \beta) = \nu^2 \Delta r + \zeta^2 \Delta w_1^2 + r_0^2 \Delta w_2^2$$

$$F_{a[-1]}^l(r_0, t_0) = (l + 1/2) \frac{b_{a_r} sgn(\Delta r)}{\zeta \nu r_0}$$

Eccentric Scalar



Circular Orbits

Defining the 4-velocity

$$\Omega_\varphi \equiv \Omega_\varphi(t) = \frac{d\varphi}{dt} \Rightarrow u^\varphi(t) = \Omega_\varphi(t)u^t(t) \Rightarrow u^t(t) = (f_0 - r_0^2 \Omega_\varphi(t)^2)^{-1/2}$$

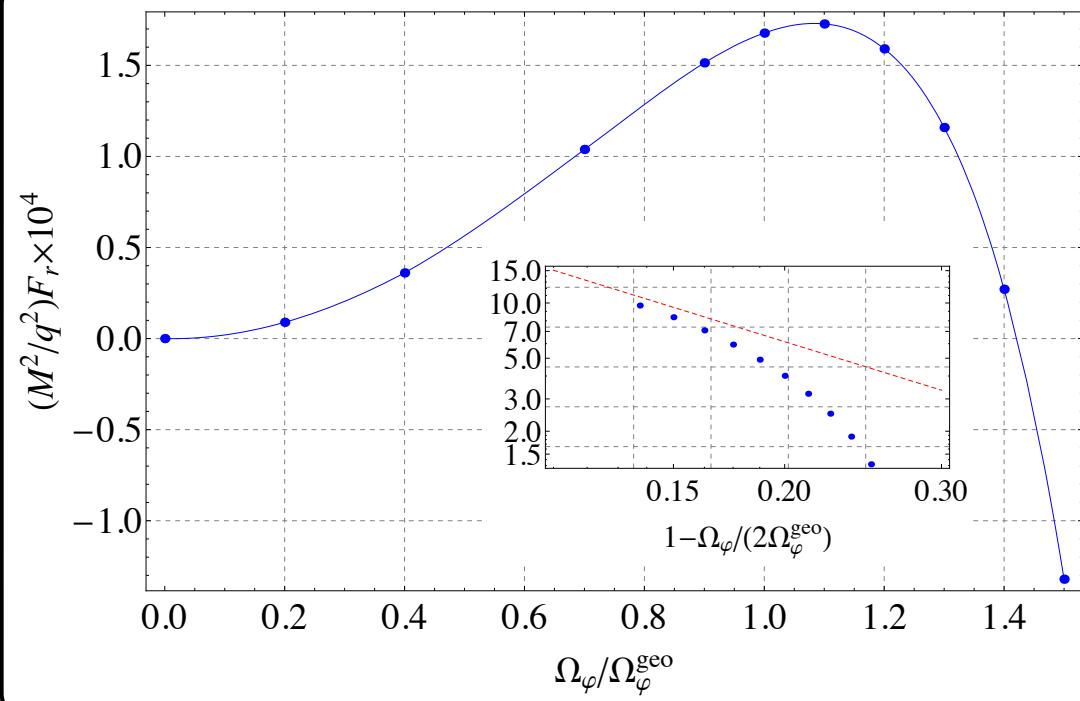
The usual ...

$$\mathcal{E}(t) \equiv -u_t(t) = f_0 u^t(t)$$

$$\mathcal{L}(t) \equiv u_\varphi = r_0^2 \Omega_\varphi(t) u^t(t)$$

$$\Omega_\varphi^{geo} = \left(\frac{M}{r_0^3} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$0 \leq |\Omega_\varphi(t)| < \sqrt{f_0/r_0^2} = 2\Omega_\varphi^{geo}$$



Eccentric Orbits

Orbital parameters

$$p = \frac{2r_{\max}r_{\min}}{M(r_{\max} + r_{\min})}$$

$$e = \frac{r_{\max} - r_{\min}}{r_{\max} + r_{\min}}$$

Relativistic anomaly parameter

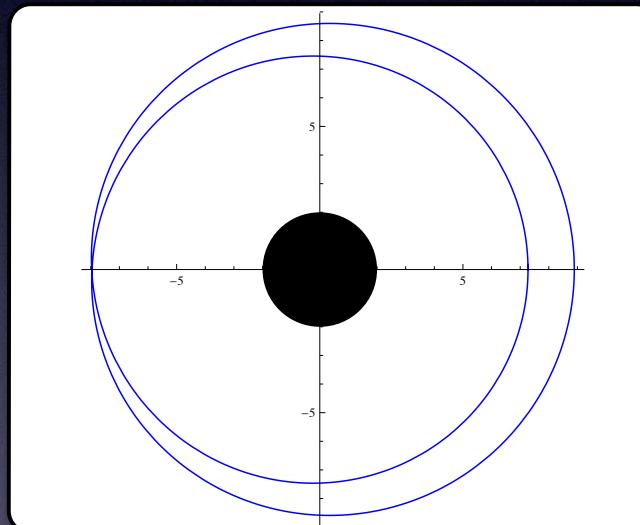
$$r_p(\chi) = \frac{p}{1 + e \cos \chi}$$

4-Velocity

$$\frac{d\varphi_p}{d\chi} = \sqrt{\frac{p}{p - 6 - 2e \cos \chi}}$$

$$\frac{dr_p}{d\chi} = \frac{pe \sin(\chi)}{(1 + e \cos(\chi))^2}$$

$$\frac{d\tau}{d\chi} = \left[f_p \left(\frac{dt_p}{d\chi} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{f_p} \left(\frac{dr_p}{d\chi} \right)^2 - r_p^2 \left(\frac{d\varphi_p}{d\chi} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$



Eccentric Orbits

Specific Energy and Angular momentum for non-geodesic motion

$$\mathcal{E}(\chi) = f_p \frac{dt_p}{d\chi} \Bigg/ \frac{d\tau}{d\chi}, \quad \mathcal{L}(\chi) = r_p^2 \frac{d\varphi_p}{d\chi} \Bigg/ \frac{d\tau}{d\chi}$$

4-Acceleration $a^\alpha = u^\beta \nabla_\beta u^\alpha$

$$a^t = (u^t)'/(d\tau/d\chi) + \frac{2}{f_p r_p^2} u^t u^r, \quad a^\varphi = (u^\varphi)'/(d\tau/d\chi) + \frac{2}{r_p} u^\varphi u^r,$$

$$a^r = (u^r)'/(d\tau/d\chi) + \frac{f_p}{r_p^2} (u^t)^2 - \frac{(u^r)^2}{f_p r_p^2} - f_p r_p (u^\varphi)^2.$$

Orbital frequency

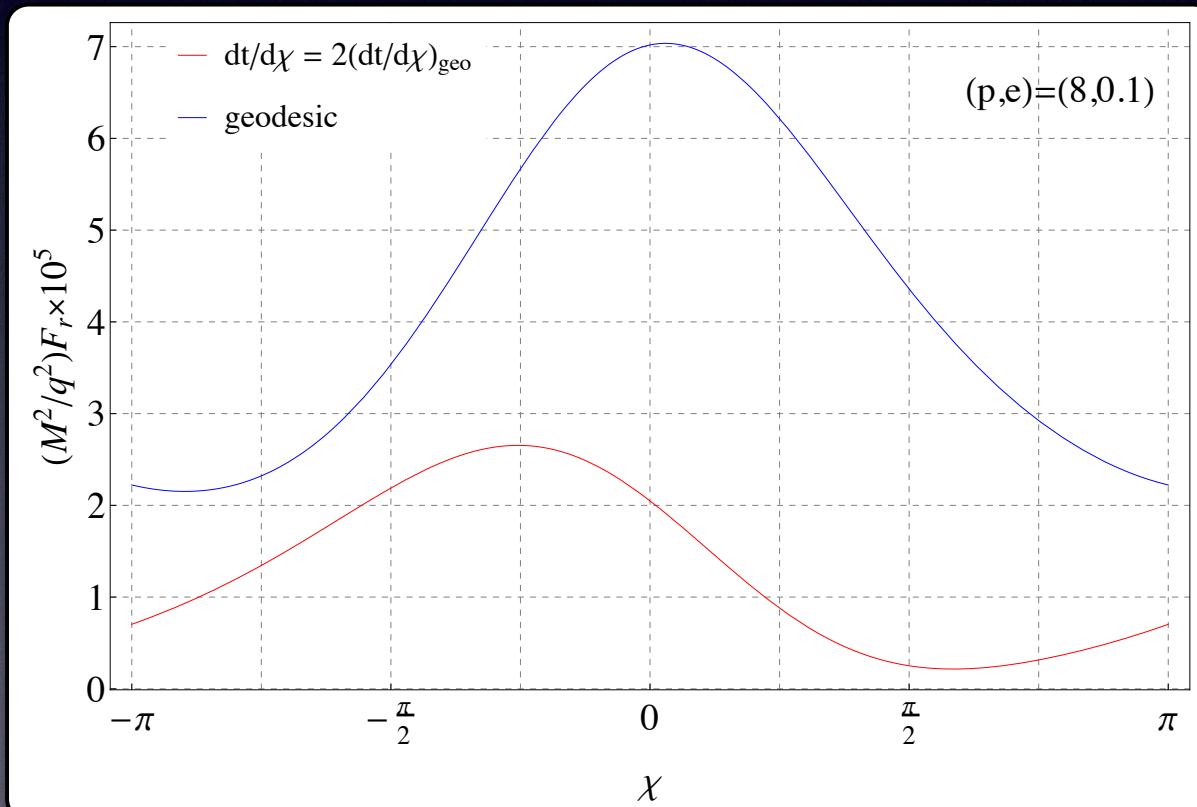
$$\Delta\varphi = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi_p}{d\chi} d\chi = 4 \left(\frac{p}{p-2-2e} \right) K \left(\frac{4e}{p-6-2e} \right)$$

$$T_r = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dt_p}{d\chi} d\chi \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Omega_r = \frac{2\pi}{T_r}, \quad \Omega_\varphi = \frac{\Delta\varphi}{T_r}.$$

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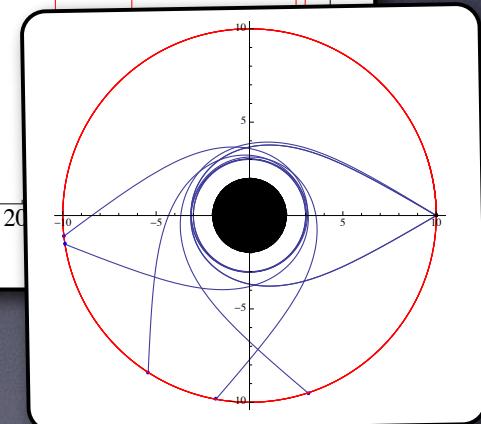
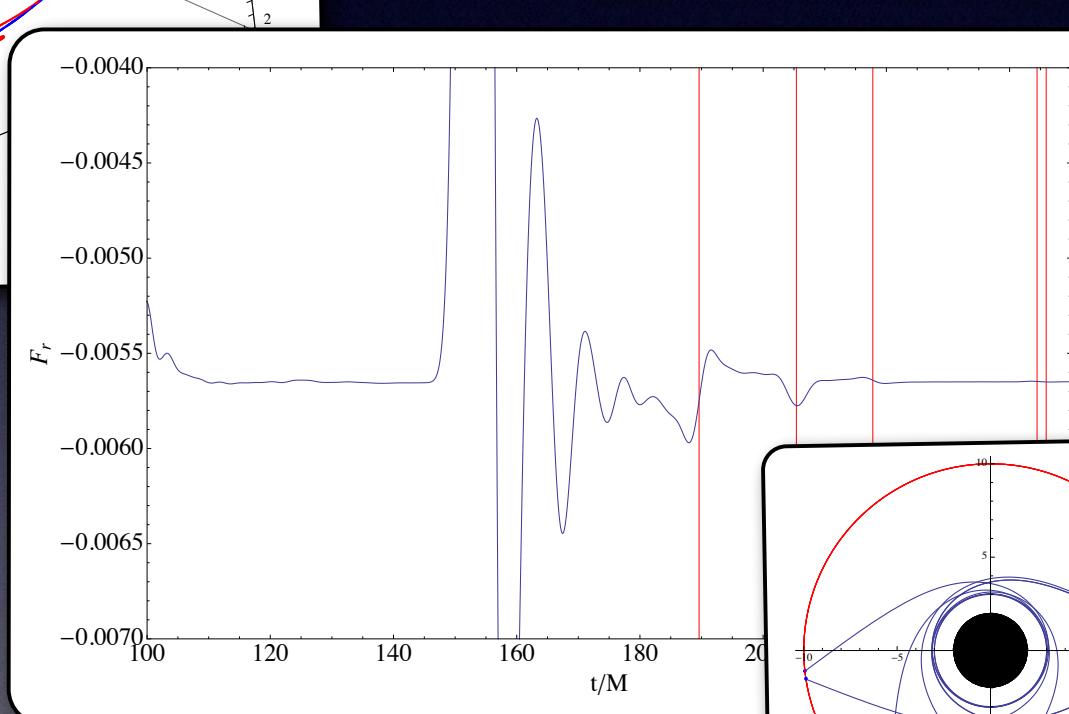
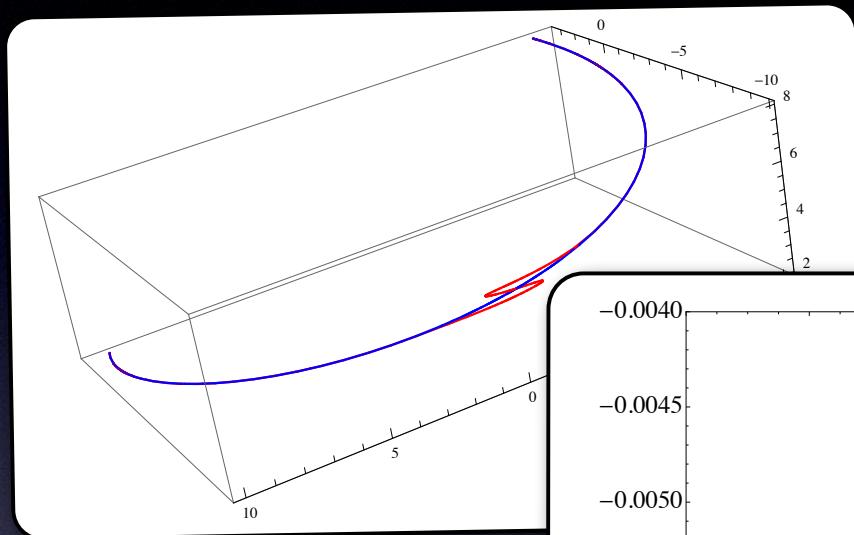
Relationship between t_p and χ

$$\left(\frac{dt_p}{d\chi} \right)_{geo} = \frac{Mp^2}{(p - 2 - 2e \cos \chi)(1 + e \cos \chi)^2} \sqrt{\frac{(p - 2 - 2e)(p - 2 + 2e)}{p - 6 - 2e \cos \chi}}$$





Self-force Memory



Conclusions/ Further work

- Localised non-uniform acceleration for bound eccentric orbits requires time domain code
- Kerr: Uniformly accelerated circular orbits are relatively easy in frequency domain - possible investigation tool for light cone ripples (JT)?
- Cosmic censorship application?

Thanks for listening!