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Higher Order Corrections to Classical Gravity

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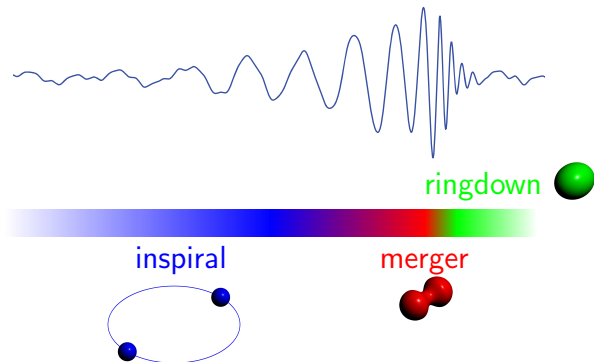
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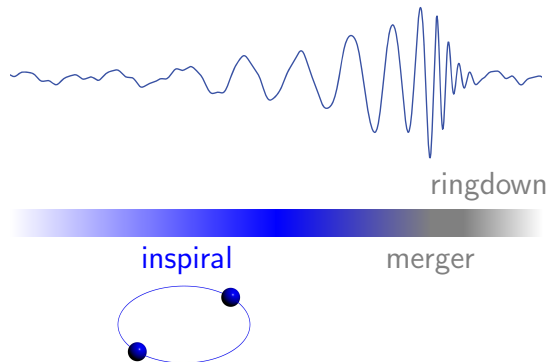


- We consider the inspiraling phase of two massive gravitating objects (black holes and/or neutron stars) and study their Hamiltonian dynamics.
- On the basis of a Hamiltonian also their scattering can be investigated.
- While the lowest order is the Newtonian motion, the 1 PN correction to it shows the motion of the perihelion already.
- With higher orders, the motion becomes structurally more and more complicated.
- Estimates show, that future LISA measurements will require the knowledge of the dynamics at 6 PN.
- Currently the level of 4 PN is fully understood.
- The level of 5 PN is nearly, **but not yet completely** understood analytically and awaits a very last theoretical clarification.
- The level of 6 PN will need more theoretical efforts in the future.
- **Methods developed in QFT** can be applied to the classical Einstein-Hilbert Lagrangian to build an **effective field theory** (EFT) to solve this ambitious problem by **Feynman diagram techniques**.

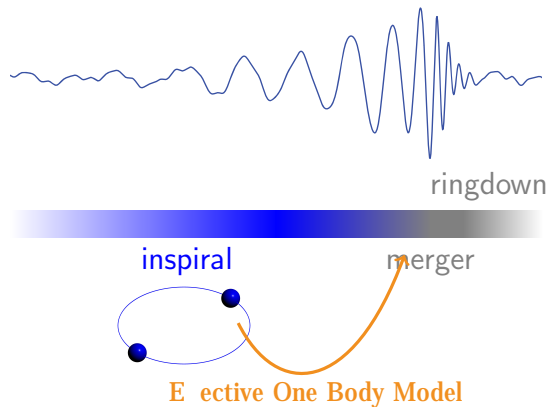
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[Buonanno, Damour 1998]

General relativity action:

$$S_{\text{GR}}[g^{\mu\nu}] = S_{\text{EH}} + S_{\text{GF}} + S_{\text{matter}}$$

With $\eta^{\mu\nu} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1)$, $g = \det(g^{\mu\nu})$:

- Einstein-Hilbert action:

$$S_{\text{EH}} = \frac{1}{16G\pi} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} R$$

- Harmonic gauge $\partial_\mu \sqrt{-g} g^{\mu\nu} = 0$:

$$S_{\text{GF}} = -\frac{1}{32G\pi} \int d^d x \sqrt{-g} \Gamma_\mu \Gamma^\mu, \quad \Gamma^\mu = g^{\alpha\beta} \Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^\mu$$

- Assume **point-like** matter, no spin:

$$S_{\text{matter}} = \sum_{a=1}^2 m_a \int d\tau_a$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\text{GR}}[\phi, A_i, \sigma_{ij}] &= \sum_{a=1}^2 \int dt \left(m_a + \frac{1}{2} m_a v_a^2 + \mathcal{O}(v^4) \right) \\ &+ \sum_{a=1}^2 m_a \int dt \left(-\phi + v_{ai} A_i + v_{ai} v_{aj} \sigma_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \phi^2 + \dots \right) \\ &+ \int \frac{d^d x}{32\pi G} \left[-c_d (\partial_\mu \phi)^2 + (\partial_\mu A_i)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (\partial_\mu \sigma_{ii})^2 - \frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \sigma_{ij})^2 + \dots \right] \end{aligned}$$

Higher Order Corrections in Classical Gravity



Topics:

- 5 PN corrections
- Test of the PM results at 6PN
- Study the inspiraling phase of 2 massive objects
- in collaboration with: [A. Maier](#), [P. Marquard](#), [G. Schäfer](#)

The topic has been inspired by [J. Plefka's](#) talk at QMC in 2018. This has been the time of the 3PN / 4PN static potential corrections using effective field-theory methods (i.e. 4PN incomplete). [Fofa et al.](#) [[1612.00482](#)]

However, the complete 4 PN corrections were known by using other technologies (ADM), [Damour et al.](#) [[1401.4548](#)]



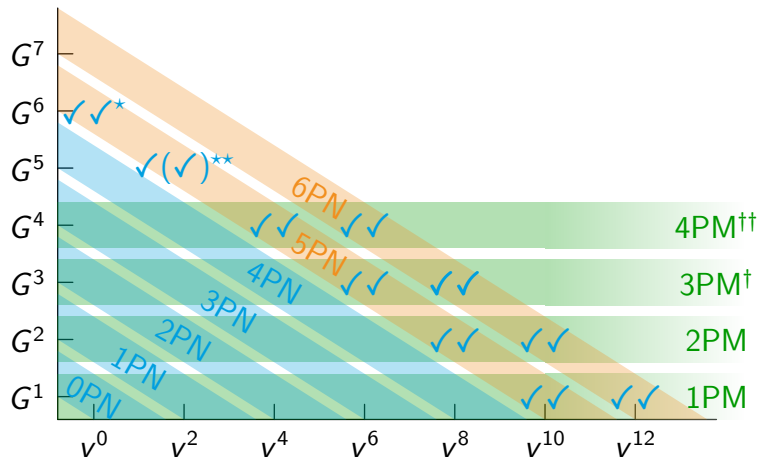
- **Current Status:**
 - Post Minkowskian approach:
 - G^4 : Bern et al. [2112.10750], Dlapa et al. [2112.11296]
 - potential contributions are checked up to 6PN in Blümlein et al. [2101.08630]
 - Blümlein et al. [2003.07145] proved that the G^3 terms of Bern et al. [1901.04424] are correct and a hypothesis in Damour [1912.02139] does not apply.
 - Many recent research results using the post Minkowskian approach: see the extensive list of Refs. given in Blümlein et al. [2003.07145]

Higher Order Corrections in Classical Gravity



- **Current Status:**
 - Post Newtonian approach:
 - **4 PN**
 - complete: [A lot of groups, working in at least 3 different gauges.] Canonical transformations cf.: [Blümlein et al. \[2003.01692\]](#)
 - **5 PN**
 - partial results [Bini et al. \[2003.11891\]](#) tutti frutti; **two constants cannot be determined**
 - **5 PN potential terms** [Blümlein et al. \[2010.13672\]](#) EFT complete
 - **5 PN tail terms through multipole expansion** [Blümlein et al. \[2110.13822\]](#) EFT (see discussion below)
 - [Bini et al. \[2107.08896\]](#): disagreement of the multipole 'tail' contributions of [Foffa et al. \[1907.02869\]](#) with χ_4 ν constraint.
 - **6 PN**
 - partial results [Bini et al. \[2007.11239\]](#) tutti frutti; **various more constants cannot be determined**
 - However, 5 PN is not yet finished, which would be a *conditio sine qua non* to understand 6 PN.
 - **The complete result can only be obtained by a full calculation.**

Near-zone potential



Post Newtonian Corrections up to 5 PN



Hamiltonian and Lagrange formalism:

[applicable to the bound state and to the scattering problem]

EFT approach to Einstein gravity, cf. [Kol & Smolkin \[0712.4116 \[hep-th\]\]](#).

- **5 PN static potential**

- [Foffa et al. \[1902.10571\]](#) by geometric trick
- [Blümlein et al. \[1902.11180\]](#) calculated within EFT ab initio
- The papers were submitted within half a day independently.

$$\mathcal{L}_{5\text{PN}}^S = -\frac{G_N^6}{r^6} m_1 m_2 \left[\frac{5}{16} (m_1^5 + m_2^5) + \frac{91}{6} m_1 m_2 (m_1^3 + m_2^3) + \frac{653}{6} m_1^2 m_2^2 (m_1 + m_2) \right]$$

- **4 PN complete by EFT**

- ADM [Damour et al. \[1401.4548\]](#)
- harmonic coordinates [Blanchet et al. \[1610.07934\]](#) [Foffa & Sturani \[1903.05113\]](#) [Blümlein et al. \[2003.01692\]](#)
- EOB [Bini et al. \[2003.11891\]](#)
- isotropic coordinates [Bern et al. \[2112.10750\]](#) and earlier papers

5 PN: the potential corrections



Blümlein et al. [2010.13672]:

- calculation ab initio in harmonic coordinates
- treatment of potential and singular ‘tail’ terms together in D dimensions: pole cancellation up to a canonical transformation
- pole-free Hamiltonian
- adding the non-local ‘tail’ terms [agreement with the literature]
- γ_5 -like treatment of ε_{ijk} in D dimensions: leading to the correct terms $O(\nu)$; see also the later paper: Fo a et al. [2110.14146]
- obtaining all terms **but the rational terms** $O(\nu^2)$
- The remaining **finite rational** $O(\nu^2)$ **terms** come all from **the ‘tail’**.
- The potential terms have been multiply verified (static potential, up to $O(G^4)$ terms by Bern et al.)
- Blümlein et al. [2010.13672] introduced the expansion by regions to classical (EFT) gravity; only **potential** and **ultra-soft** modes contribute.

5 PN: the potential corrections



First obtained:

$$\bar{d}_5^{\pi^2\nu^2} = \frac{306545}{512}\pi^2\nu^2,$$
$$a_6^{\pi^2\nu^2} = \frac{25911}{256}\pi^2\nu^2.$$

#loops	QGRAF	source irred.	no source loops	no tadpoles	masters
0	3	3	3	3	0
1	72	72	72	72	1
2	3286	3286	3286	2702	1
3	81526	62246	60998	41676	1
4	545812	264354	234934	116498	7
5	332020	128080	101570	27582	4

Table: Numbers of contributing diagrams at the different loop levels and master integrals.

5 PN: 'tail' terms



There is no generally agreed field theoretic approach to the non-potential terms yet, but would be utterly needed.

Blümlein et al. [2110.13822]:

- It is assumed at present that all non-potential terms can be obtained from multi-pole insertions in the sense of an EFT approach. [Fofana & Sturani et al. \[1903.05113\]](#), [Marchand et al. \[2003.13672\]](#), [Larrouturou et al. \[2110.02243,2110.02240\]](#)
- Partly different propagator treatment in the literature.
- A consistent description is possible by using the in-in formalism.
- Unfortunately the ν constraint hypothesis [Bini et al. \[2003.11891\]](#) is not met for the finite $O(\nu^2)$ terms.
- closer analysis in the [EOB representation](#).

5 PN: EOB representation



- Our results obtained in harmonic coordinates can be re-parameterized in **EOB form** for **all local terms**.
- The nonlocal terms do already agree between different approaches.

$$H_{\text{EOB}}^{\text{loc,eff}} = \sqrt{A(1 + AD\eta^2(p.n)^2 + \eta^2(p^2 - (p.n)^2) + Q)},$$

$$A = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^6 a_k(\nu)\eta^{2k}u^k, \quad a_2 = 0,$$

$$D = 1 + \sum_{k=2}^5 d_k(\nu)\eta^{2k}u^k,$$

$$Q = \eta^4(p.n)^4[q_{42}(\nu)\eta^4u^2 + q_{43}(\nu)\eta^6u^3 + q_{44}(\nu)\eta^8u^4] + \eta^6(p.n)^6[q_{62}(\nu)\eta^4u^2 + q_{63}(\nu)\eta^6u^3] + \eta^{12}(p.n)^8u^2q_{82}(\nu).$$

Here $u = 1/r$ and $\eta = 1/c$.

5 PN: EOB representation



$$5\text{PN}, u^2 : q_{82} = \frac{6}{7}\nu + \frac{18}{7}\nu^2 + \frac{24}{7}\nu^3 - 6\nu^4,$$

$$u^3 : q_{63} = \frac{123}{10}\nu - \frac{69}{5}\nu^2 + 116\nu^3 - 14\nu^4,$$

$$u^4 : q_{44} = \left(\frac{1580641}{3150} - \frac{93031}{1536}\pi^2 \right) \nu + \left(-\frac{3670222}{4725} + \frac{31633}{512}\pi^2 \right) \nu^2 + \left(640 - \frac{615}{32}\pi^2 \right) \nu^3,$$

$$u^5 : \bar{d}_5 = \left(\frac{331054}{175} - \frac{63707}{512}\pi^2 \right) \nu + \bar{d}_5^{\nu^2} \nu^2 + \left(\frac{1069}{3} - \frac{205}{16}\pi^2 \right) \nu^3,$$

$$u^6 : a_6 = \left(-\frac{1026301}{1575} + \frac{246367}{3072}\pi^2 \right) \nu + a_6^{\nu^2} \nu^2 + 4\nu^3.$$

New:

$$\bar{d}_5^{\nu^2} = \left(-\frac{31295104}{4725} + \frac{306545}{512}\pi^2 \right), \quad a_6^{\nu^2} = \left(-\frac{1749043}{1575} + \frac{25911}{256}\pi^2 \right)$$

$$q_{44}^{\nu^2, r} = -\frac{9367}{15} :$$

Bini et al. [2003.11891] refers to χ_4^{tot} as we known now.

5 PN: phenomenological results: Binding Energy



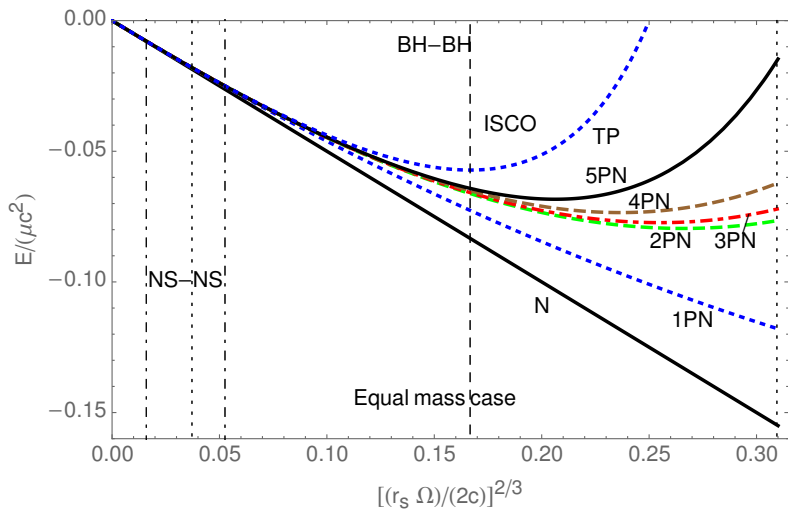
Evaluate time integral in E_{nl} , e.g. for circular orbit:

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{M}, \quad j = \frac{J}{GM}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E_{\text{loc}}^{\text{circ}}(j)}{\mu} = & -\frac{1}{2j^2} + \left(-\frac{\nu}{8} - \frac{9}{8}\right) \frac{1}{j^4} + \left(-\frac{\nu^2}{16} + \frac{7\nu}{16} - \frac{81}{16}\right) \frac{1}{j^6} + \left[-\frac{5\nu^3}{128} + \frac{5\nu^2}{64} + \left(\frac{8833}{384}\right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{41\pi^2}{64}\right) \nu - \frac{3861}{128}\right] \frac{1}{j^8} + \left[-\frac{7\nu^4}{256} + \frac{3\nu^3}{128} + \left(\frac{41\pi^2}{128} - \frac{8875}{768}\right) \nu^2 + \left(\frac{989911}{3840}\right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{6581\pi^2}{1024}\right) \nu - \frac{53703}{256}\right] \frac{1}{j^{10}} + \left[-\frac{21\nu^5}{1024} + \frac{5\nu^4}{1024} + \left(\frac{41\pi^2}{512} - \frac{3769}{3072}\right) \nu^3 \right. \\ & \left. \left(-\frac{400240439}{403200} + \frac{132979\pi^2}{2048}\right) \nu^2 + \left(\frac{3747183493}{1612800} - \frac{31547\pi^2}{1536}\right) \nu - \frac{1648269}{1024}\right] \frac{1}{j^{12}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{j^{14}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E_{\text{nl}}^{\text{circ}}}{\mu} = & \nu \left\{ \left[-\frac{64}{5} (\ln(j) - \gamma_E) + \frac{128}{5} \ln(2) \right] \frac{1}{j^{10}} + \left[\frac{32}{5} + \frac{28484}{105} \ln(2) + \frac{243}{14} \ln(3) - \frac{15172}{105} (\ln(j) - \gamma_E) \right. \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \nu \left(\frac{32}{5} + \frac{112}{5} (\ln(j) - \gamma_E) + \frac{912}{35} \ln(2) - \frac{486}{7} \ln(3) \right) \right] \frac{1}{j^{12}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{j^{14}}\right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

5 PN: phenomenological results



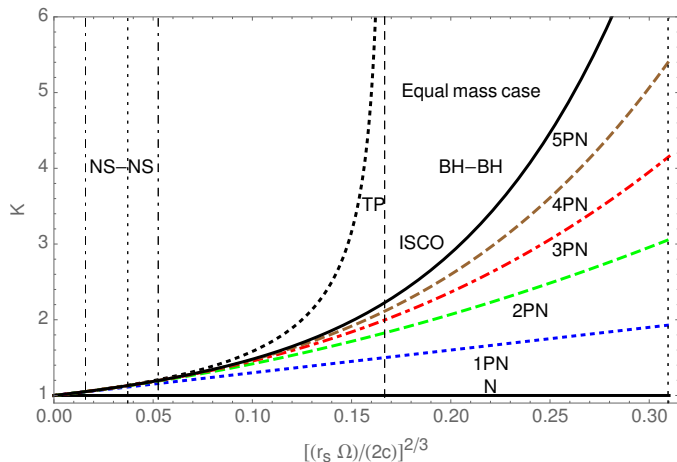
5 PN: phenomenological results: Periastron advance in the circular limit



$$\begin{aligned}
 K_{\text{loc}}^{\text{circ}}(j) = & 1 + 3\frac{1}{j^2} + \left(\frac{45}{2} - 6\nu\right)\frac{1}{j^4} + \left[\frac{405}{2} + \left(-202 + \frac{123}{32}\pi^2\right)\nu + 3\nu^2\right]\frac{1}{j^6} \\
 & + \left[\frac{15795}{8} + \left(\frac{185767}{3072}\pi^2 - \frac{105991}{36}\right)\nu + \left(-\frac{41}{4}\pi^2 + \frac{2479}{6}\right)\nu^2\right]\frac{1}{j^8} + \left[\frac{161109}{8}\right. \\
 & \left. + \left(-\frac{18144676}{525} + \frac{488373}{2048}\pi^2\right)\nu - \left(\frac{105496222}{4725} + \frac{1379075}{1024}\pi^2\right)\nu^2 + \left(-\frac{1627}{6} + \frac{205}{32}\pi^2\right)\nu^3\right]\frac{1}{j^{10}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{j^{12}}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_{\text{nl}}^{\text{circ}}(j) = & -\frac{64}{10}\nu \left\{ \frac{1}{j^8} \left[-11 - \frac{157}{6}(\ln(j) - \gamma_E) + \frac{37}{6}\ln(2) + \frac{729}{16}\ln(3) \right] \right. \\
 & + \frac{1}{j^{10}} \left[-\frac{59723}{336} - \frac{9421}{28}[\ln(j) - \gamma_E] + \frac{7605}{28}\ln(2) + \frac{112995}{224}\ln(3) \right. \\
 & \left. \left. + \left(\frac{2227}{42} + \frac{617}{6}[\ln(j) - \gamma_E] - \frac{7105}{6}\ln(2) + \frac{54675}{112}\ln(3) \right)\nu \right] \right\} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{j^{12}}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

5 PN: phenomenological results



A numerical remark on the scattering angle: [Khalil et al. \[2204.05047\]](#)

The usual scattering angle takes values of ~ 120 degrees and larger. The remaining numerical difference is of the order of 10^{-3} degrees for velocities $< 1/2$.

[Yet it has to be clarified.](#)

Test of PM results at 6PN



- We have calculated the 6 PN contributions up to G^4 in [Blümlein et al. \[2003.07145\]](#), [\[2101.08630\]](#)

- This confirmed

$$C_B = \frac{2}{3}\gamma(14\gamma^2 + 25) + 4(4\gamma^4 - 12\gamma^2 - 3) \frac{as(\gamma)}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}}$$

from [Bern et al. \[1901.04424\]](#)

- and ruled out

$$C_c = \gamma(35 + 26\gamma^2) - (18 + 96\gamma^2) \frac{as(\gamma)}{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 1}}$$

from [Damour \[1912.02139v1\]](#)

- The results also agree with [Bini et al. \[2004.05407\]](#)

Here

$$as(\gamma) = \operatorname{arcsinh}(\sqrt{(\gamma - 1)/2}), \gamma = \sqrt{p_\infty^2 + 1}$$

and C_i contributes to $\chi_3(\gamma, \nu)$.

The 'conservative' scattering angle



- Since summer 2021 one has to distinguish between the **complete scattering angle** and the **conservative scattering angle** starting at $1/j^4$ and 5PN.
- The calculation by Bern et al. is dynamically conservative
- The ν -scaling for $\chi(j, \nu, p_\infty)$ observed by Damour implies to redefine χ to its conservative part.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\pi\nu} [\tilde{\chi}_4^{\text{tot,cons}} - \chi_4^{\text{Schw}}] &= -\frac{15}{4} + p_\infty^2 \left(-\frac{557}{16} + \frac{123}{256}\pi^2 \right) + p_\infty^4 \left(-\frac{6113}{96} - \frac{37}{5} \ln\left(\frac{p_\infty}{2}\right) + \frac{33601}{16384}\pi^2 \right) \\ &+ p_\infty^6 \left(-\frac{615581}{19200} - \frac{1357}{280} \ln\left(\frac{p_\infty}{2}\right) + \frac{93031}{32768}\pi^2 \right) + O(p_\infty^8). \end{aligned}$$

- χ and χ^{cons} are different quantities.
- The recent results of Bern et al. refer to χ^{cons} . The EOB parameters have been derived from χ , on the other hand.

Conclusions



- Significant progress has been made in applying EFT methods to classical gravity during the last three years.
- Both in the post-Newtonian and the post-Minkowskian approach methods from QFT provide **the only way** to solve this problem to the experimental accuracy needed.
- The level of 5 PN is nearly completed and the remaining problems are expected to be solved soon, which will provide corresponding analytic expressions for the dynamics in the inspiraling phase.
- Currently the 4 PM, i.e. $O(G^4/r^4)$ level, is reached in the post-Minkowskian and people work the next level for the scattering angle.
- The EOB approach allows to combine the results from both approaches in the case of the scattering process.
- The tail terms are different for the bound state and scattering problems.