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General Relativistic  $N$ -body Problem:

Multi-chart approach, BD multipoles, Equations of motion

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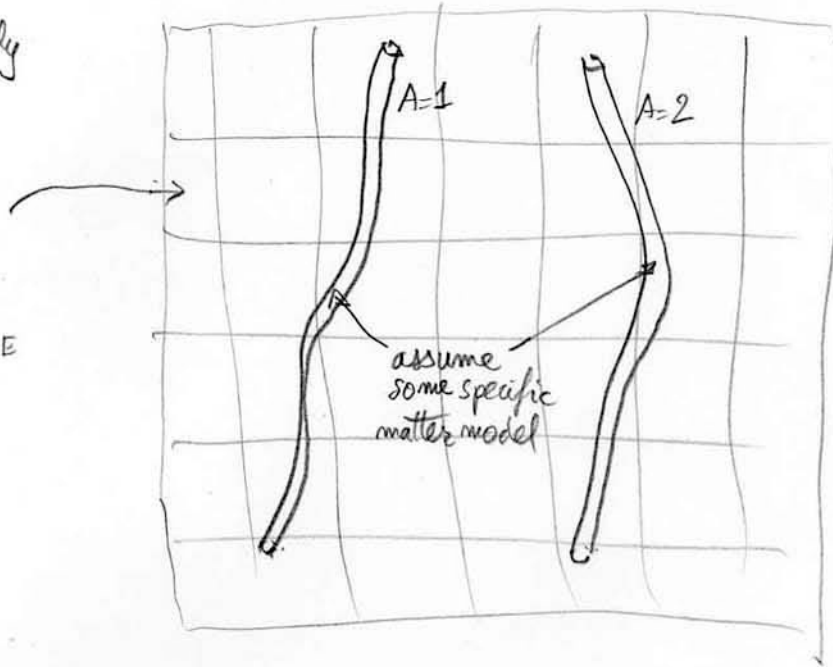
Review of problem of motion

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**2.1** Traditional (one chart) approach to the N-body problem

Traditionally

ONE  
GLOBAL  
COORDINATE  
CHART  
 $x^\mu$



Usual strategy: Try to solve

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$

together with

$$\nabla_\nu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

assuming

specific  $T^{\mu\nu} =^{\text{e.g.}} (\epsilon + p)u^\mu u^\nu + p g^{\mu\nu}$

and global expansion:

$$g_{\mu\nu}(x^\lambda) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}^{(1)} + h_{\mu\nu}^{(2)} + \dots$$

together, maybe, with global PN approximation ansätze

$$\partial_0 h_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{c} \partial_t h_{\mu\nu} \ll \partial_i h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$v \ll c$$

$$p \ll \epsilon$$

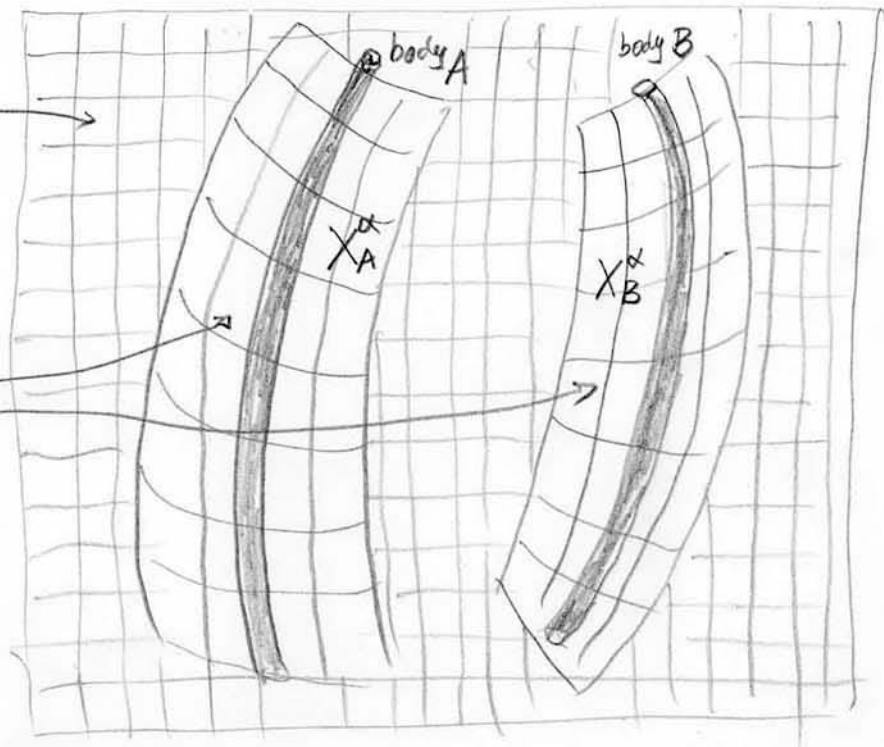
Inconvenient aspects of global, one-chart approach:

- technically: e.g. a body which is (essentially) spherically symmetric w.r.t. its own rest frame, will appear, in global  $x^\mu$ , as some deformed ellipsoid (with time-dependent deformation). Deformation important w.r.t. accuracy of modern techniques: VLBI, laser tracking, ...
- the gravitational field, and multipole moments, of body  $A$  in common  $x^\mu$  chart are not directly related to the relevant observable quantities
- conceptually: PN approximation tends to reintroduce Newtonian way of thinking (absolute space and time) which can lead to errors or confusions.

**2.2** Multi-chart approach to the  $N$ -body problem

Use  $N+1$  charts

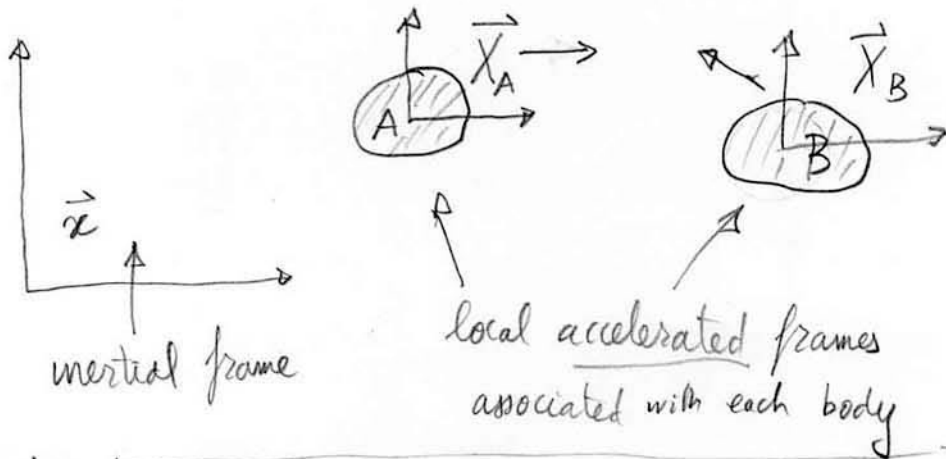
one global chart  $x^\mu$   
 +  
 $N$  local (body related) charts  $X_A^\alpha$   
 $A = 1, 2, \dots, N$



Basic ideas:

- to describe the metric  $ds^2 = G_{\alpha\beta}^A(X_A^\gamma) dX_A^\alpha dX_A^\beta$  in each local chart  $X_A^\alpha$  in terms <sup>mainly</sup> of quantities observed in this system ( $T_A^{\alpha\beta}(X_A)$ ; multipole moments measured by satellites of A, ...), plus some extra 'tidal-like' terms coming from the influence of far away bodies
- to obtain the equations of motion (in common  $x^\mu$  chart) of each body as generalizations of the 'd'Alembert approach', i.e. reducing dynamics in  $x^\mu$  to an 'equilibrium' problem in the local frame  $X_A^\alpha$
- to end up by expressing the global eqs of motion in terms of the locally measured multipole moments of each body
- framework is rather simple and fully explicit at the 1PN approximation (<sup>weakly self-gravitating bodies and</sup>  $v^2/c^2$  beyond Newton), but the general idea is usefully extended to more general cases (notably strongly self-gravitating bodies)
- NB: We are considering general deformable bodies, with unspecified equation of state.

2.3 Reminder: d'Alembert approach to the Newtonian N-body problem



in vertical frame  
 $i=1,2,3$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i} (\rho v^i) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho v^i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} [\rho v^i v^j + t^{ij}] = \rho \frac{\partial U}{\partial x_i}$$

material stresses

$$\Delta_{\vec{x}} U(\vec{x}, t) = -4\pi G \rho(\vec{x}, t)$$

formal solution  $U(\vec{x}, t) = \sum_{A=1}^N U^A(\vec{x}, t)$

with  $U^A(\vec{x}, t) = G \int_A d^3x' \frac{\rho(\vec{x}', t)}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|}$

yields non local (and non linear) evolution system for  $\rho(\vec{x}, t)$ ,  $\vec{v}(\vec{x}, t)$ , which cannot be solved exactly.

Introduce transformation to some accelerated reference frames associated with each body

$$x^i = z_A^i(t) + X_a^i$$

↑  
arbitrary accelerated motion to be determined later

← assuming for simplicity no time-dependent rotation

in accelerated

A-frame

$$P_A \equiv P(\vec{X}_A, t) = P(\vec{z}_A + \vec{X}_A, t)$$

$$V_A^i \equiv v^i - \frac{dz_A^i}{dt}$$

$$\frac{\partial P_A}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_A^i} (P_A V_A^i) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (P_A V_A^i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial X_A^j} (P_A V_A^i V_A^j + t^j) = P_A \frac{\partial U_A^{eff}}{\partial X_A^i}$$

← effective gravitational potential (modified by inertial forces)

$$U_A^{eff}(\vec{X}_A) = U(\vec{z}_A + \vec{X}_A) - C(t) - \frac{d^2 \vec{z}_A}{dt^2} \cdot \vec{X}_A$$

can be decomposed as

$$U_A^{eff} = U^A + \bar{U}^A$$

locally generated

$$U^A(t, \vec{X}_A) = G \int d^3 X'_A \frac{P_A(\vec{X}'_A, t)}{|\vec{X}_A - \vec{X}'_A|}$$

externally generated + inertia effects

$$\bar{U}^A = \sum_{B \neq A} U(\vec{z}_A + \vec{X}_A) - C(t) - \frac{d^2 \vec{z}_A}{dt^2} \cdot \vec{X}_A$$

Introduce (mass) multipole moments of body A wrt local A frame

$$m_L^A(t) \equiv \int_A d^3X_A X_A^{<L>} \rho_A \quad l=0,1,2,\dots$$

+ local spin vector

$$s_i^A(t) \equiv \int_A d^3X_A \epsilon_{iab} X_A^a \rho V_A^b$$

Using Action and Reaction principle, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt} m^A(t) &= 0 \\ \frac{d^2}{dt^2} m_i^A(t) &= \int_A d^3X_A \rho_A \frac{\partial \bar{U}^A}{\partial X_A^i} \\ \frac{d}{dt} s_i^A(t) &= \epsilon_{iab} \int d^3X_A \rho_A X_A^a \frac{\partial \bar{U}^A}{\partial X_A^b} \end{aligned}$$

ONLY  $\bar{U}^A$  enters here

Expand  $\bar{U}^A(\vec{X}_A)$  in tidal series

$$\bar{U}^A(\vec{X}_A, t) = g^A(t) + g_i^A(t) X_A^i + \frac{1}{2!} g_{ij}^A(t) X_A^i X_A^j + \frac{1}{l!} g_L^A(t) X_A^{<L>} + \dots$$

$$g^A(t) = \sum_{B \neq A} U^B(\vec{z}_A(t)) - C(t)$$

$$g_i^A(t) = \sum_{B \neq A} \partial_i U^B(\vec{z}_A(t)) - \frac{d^2 z_A^i}{dt^2}$$

crucial inertial contribution at dipole level

$$g_L^A(t) = \sum_{B \neq A} \partial_L U^B(\vec{z}_A(t)) \quad \text{for } l \geq 2$$

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- One can choose arbitrary  $C(t)$  to set  $g^A(t) = 0$ ,  $l=0$  term
- One could also think that it is a good idea to choose the so far arbitrary  $\frac{d^2 \vec{z}_A}{dt^2}$  to set tidal dipole  $g_i^A(t) \stackrel{?}{=} 0$

In fact, NO!

- Insert tidal expansion of  $\bar{U}^A$  in eqs for  $m^A, m_i^A, s_i^A$

$$\frac{d m^A(t)}{dt} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 m_i^A(t)}{dt^2} = m^A g_i^A + m_j^A g_{ij}^A + \frac{1}{2!} m_{jk}^A g_{ijk}^A + \dots + \frac{1}{l!} m_{lL}^A g_{iL}^A + \dots$$

$$\frac{d s_i^A(t)}{dt} = \epsilon_{iab} m_a^A g_b^A + \epsilon_{iab} m_{aj}^A g_{bj}^A + \dots + \frac{1}{l!} \epsilon_{iab} m_{aL}^A g_{bL}^A + \dots$$

- Let us now fix the motion of the local A frame by imposing that it follows, for all times, the overall motion of body A by setting

$$0 = m_i^A(t) = \int_A d^3 X_A \rho_A X_A^i = \int_A d^3 x \rho(\vec{x}, t) [x^i - z_A^i(t)]$$

i.e. saying that the local A frame stays centered at the center of mass of body A



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This condition of 'equilibrium' in A frame yields

$$\frac{d^2 m_i^A}{dt^2} = 0 = m^A g_i^A + \underset{\substack{\parallel \\ 0}}{m_j^A} g_{ij}^A + \frac{1}{2!} m_{jk}^A g_{ijk}^A + \dots$$

$$0 = m^A \left( \sum_{B \neq A} \partial_i U^B(\vec{z}_A) - \frac{d^2 z_A^i}{dt^2} \right) + \frac{1}{2!} m_{jk}^A g_{ijk}^A + \dots + \frac{1}{l!} m_{l}^A g_{il}^A + \dots$$

(d'Alembert)

But we have fixed  $z_A^i \equiv z_{cmA}^i$ , hence we get the following (global) inertial-frame translational eqs of motion for body A

$$m^A \frac{d^2 z_{cmA}^i}{dt^2} = \sum_{B \neq A} \left\{ m^A \partial_i U^B(\vec{z}_{cmA}) + \frac{1}{2!} m_{jk}^A \partial_{ijk} U^B(\vec{z}_{cmA}) + \dots + \frac{1}{l!} m_{l}^A \partial_{il} U^B(\vec{z}_{cmA}) \right\}$$

Replacing  $U^B$  by its multipole expansion

$$U^B(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{G m^B}{|\vec{x} - \vec{z}_B|} - \partial_i \left( \frac{G m_i^B}{|\vec{x} - \vec{z}_B|} \right) + \frac{1}{2!} \partial_{ij} \left( \frac{G m_{ij}^B}{|\vec{x} - \vec{z}_B|} \right) - \dots + \frac{(-1)^l}{l!} \partial_{l} \left( \frac{G m_l^B}{|\vec{x} - \vec{z}_B|} \right) + \dots$$

Finally we get a double series in the multipoles of all bodies

$$m^A \frac{d^2 z_{cmA}^i}{dt^2} = G \sum_{B \neq A} \sum_{l \geq 0} \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^k}{l! k!} m_L^A m_K^B \partial_{iLK}^A \left( \frac{1}{|\vec{z}_{cmA} - \vec{z}_{cmB}|} \right)$$

Useful facts in Newtonian N-body problem:

- Eq. for  $U$  was linear  $\Rightarrow$  allowed linear decomposition  $U = \sum_A U^A$
- inertial forces in local frame  $\Rightarrow$  linear addition to  $U$
- $\exists$  multipole expansion for each  $U^A$
- $\exists$  tidal expansion for  $U_{AB}^{eff}$ , including inertial effects, in  $A$  frame

The 1PN general relativistic N-body problem is NON LINEAR

and the transformation  $x^\mu = f^\mu(x_A^\alpha)$  is also NON LINEAR

BUT the problem can be reformulated (at 1PN) in a quasi-linear way which allows one to physically parallel the Newtonian treatment

One makes use of a hidden linearity in Einstein's equations at 1PN level. Essentially, after using at 1PN:

$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$ ;  $h_{ij} \approx h_{00} \delta_{ij}$ ,  $h_{0i} \ll h_{00}$ ,  $\partial_0 \ll \partial_i$ ; the cubic piece in Einstein's action is:

$\mathcal{L}^{Ein} \sim (\partial_i h_{00})^2 + \alpha h_{00} (\partial_i h_{00})^2 + \text{contact terms}$

$h_{00} = \varphi$  :  $(\partial\varphi)^2 + \alpha \varphi (\partial\varphi)^2 = (\partial\mathcal{Z})^2$

if  $d\mathcal{Z} = \sqrt{1+\alpha\varphi} d\varphi \Rightarrow \mathcal{Z} \approx \varphi + \frac{1}{4}\alpha\varphi^2 = h_{00} + \frac{1}{4}\alpha h_{00}^2$

i.e. change of variable:  $h_{00} \rightarrow \mathcal{Z} \Rightarrow \approx \text{linear theory } \mathcal{L} \sim (\partial\mathcal{Z})^2$

## 2.4 Quasi-linear formulation of 1PN relativity

In each of the  $N+1$  coordinate charts one can write

1PN-accurate metric in terms of

a scalar potential

$$w \propto \ln(-g_{00}) \quad \text{non-linear function of } g_{00} \text{ of 2 above}$$

a vector potential

$$w_i \propto g_{0i}$$

with

$g_{\mu\nu}(x^\alpha)$   
in  
global  
chart

$$g_{00} = -\exp\left(-\frac{2}{c^2} w\right),$$

$$g_{0i} = -\frac{4}{c^3} w_i,$$

$$g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \exp\left(+\frac{2}{c^2} w\right) + \mathcal{O}(4) \quad \equiv \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^4}\right)$$

$G^A_{\alpha\beta}(X^A)$   
in  
local  
A  
chart

$$G^A_{00} = -\exp\left(-\frac{2}{c^2} W^A\right),$$

$$G^A_{0a} = -\frac{4}{c^3} W^A_a,$$

$$G^A_{ab} = \delta_{ab} \exp\left(+\frac{2}{c^2} W^A\right) + \mathcal{O}(4)$$

In each frame, the 'scalar' and 'vector' potentials satisfy linear (Maxwell-like) equations

$$\Delta_{\vec{x}} w + \frac{3}{c^2} \partial_t^2 w + \frac{4}{c^2} \partial_t \partial_i w_i = -4\pi G \sigma + O(4)$$

$$\Delta_{\vec{x}} w_i - \partial_{ij} w_j - \partial_t \partial_i w = -4\pi G \sigma^i + O(2)$$

where

$$\sigma(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{T^{00} + T^{ss}}{c^2}$$

$$\sigma^i(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{T^{0i}}{c}$$

Similarly for  $W^A, W_a^A$ :  $\Delta_{X^A} W^A + \frac{3}{c^2} \partial_{T^A}^2 W^A + \dots = -4\pi G \Sigma_A^A$

$$\Sigma_A^A(\vec{X}, T) = \frac{T_A^{00}(X) + T_A^{ss}(X)}{c^2}$$

in  $X_A$ -chart

Maxwell-like  
 $\exists$  gauge invariance of 1PN field eqs

$$\begin{cases} w' = w - \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t \lambda \\ w'_i = w_i + \frac{1}{4} \partial_i \lambda \end{cases}$$

which corresponds to a shift of the time variable

$$\delta t = \frac{1}{c^4} \lambda(\vec{x}, t)$$

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This residual gauge invariance (after fixing the spatial gauge by the form of the metric) for the

'4 vector'  $a_\mu = (c\bar{w}, -4\bar{w}_i)$

suggests to introduce the gauge-invariant object

$$b_{\mu\nu} = \partial_\mu a_\nu - \partial_\nu a_\mu$$

i.e.

'gravito electric field'	$e_i[\bar{w}] \equiv \partial_i \bar{w} + \frac{4}{c^2} \partial_t \bar{w}_i$
'gravito magnetic field'	$b_{ij}[\bar{w}] \equiv \epsilon_{ijk} b_k \equiv -4[\partial_i \bar{w}_j - \partial_j \bar{w}_i]$

They satisfy Maxwell-like eqs

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{b} = 0$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{e} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t \vec{b}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{e} = -\frac{3}{c^2} \partial_t^2 \bar{w} - 4\pi G \sigma + \mathcal{O}(4)$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{b} = +4 \partial_t \vec{e} - 16\pi G \vec{\sigma} + \mathcal{O}(2)$$

If the time coordinate  $x^0$  is harmonic:

$$0 = \square_g x^0 = -\frac{4}{c^3} (\partial_t \bar{w} + \partial_i \bar{w}_i) + \mathcal{O}(5)$$

we have the "Lorenz"-like gauge  $\partial_t \bar{w} + \partial_i \bar{w}_i = 0$

and

$$\Delta - \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_t^2 \rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \square \bar{w} = -4\pi G \sigma + \mathcal{O}(4) \\ \Delta \bar{w}_i = -4\pi G \sigma^i + \mathcal{O}(2) \end{array} \right.$$

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Structure of PN metric in various charts

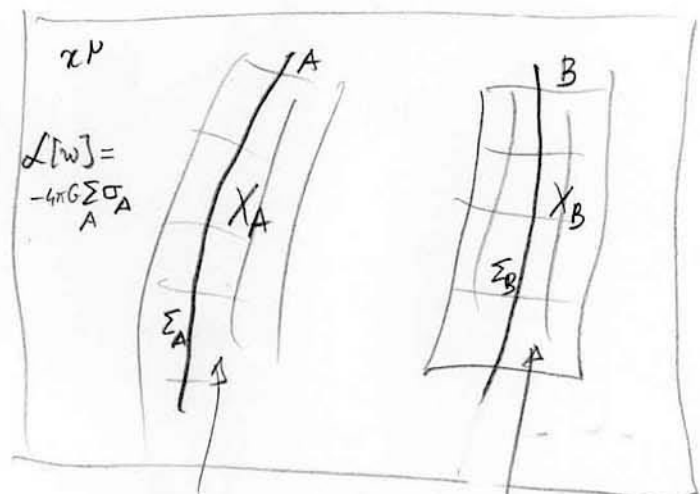
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In each frame  $w_p = (w, w_i)$  or  $W_\alpha^A = (W^A, W_a^A)$   
 satisfy some inhomogeneous linear equations

in global frame  $\mathcal{L}^\mu[w_p] = -4\pi G \sum_{A=1}^N \sigma_A^\mu(x)$

in A-local frame  $\mathcal{L}^\alpha[W_\beta^A] = -4\pi G \sum_A^\alpha(X_A)$

only one source term present in  $X_A$  frame.



$\mathcal{L}[W^A] = -4\pi G \sum_A(X_A)$

$\mathcal{L}[W^B] = -4\pi G \sum_B(X_B)$

Therefore we have several linear decompositions

$w_p(x) = \sum_{A=1}^N w_p^A(x)$  — generated by  $\sigma_A \sim \Sigma_A$

$W_\alpha^A(X_A) = W_\alpha^{+A}(X_A) + \overline{W}_\alpha^A(X_A)$   
 locally generated by  $\Sigma_A$       unknown homogeneous solution:  $\mathcal{L}[\overline{W}^A] = 0$

2.6 Relation between the various linear decompositions AGR 2.14

One proves that the transformation  $x^\mu = f^\mu(X^\alpha)$  between global  $x^\mu$  and any local  $X^\alpha$  (index  $A$  suppressed here) is

$$x^\mu = z^\mu(X^0) + e_a^\mu(X^0) \left[ X^a + \frac{1}{c^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} A_a \bar{X}^2 - X^a (\vec{A} \cdot \vec{X}) \right) \right] + \eta^\mu$$

$\eta^0 = \frac{1}{c^3} \eta(X^0, X^a) = O(\bar{X}^2)$   
 $\eta^i = O(\frac{1}{c^4})$   
 (Minkowski acceleration)  
 $A_a \equiv \eta_{\mu\nu} e_a^\mu \frac{d^2 z^\nu}{d\tau^2}$   
 with  $d\tau^2 = -\eta_{\mu\nu} dz^\mu dz^\nu$

$R^i_a(\tau)$

some worldline in  $x^\mu$  chart representing the moving origin of  $X$ -frame

some triad of spacetime vectors which depends only on choice of some slowly changing rotation matrix

Effect of coordinate transformation  $x^\mu = f^\mu(X^\alpha)$ :

$$g^{\mu\nu}(x) = \frac{\partial x^\mu(x)}{\partial X^\alpha} \frac{\partial x^\nu(x)}{\partial X^\beta} G^{\alpha\beta}(X)$$

$\uparrow$  non linear in terms of  $w_\mu(x)$        $\uparrow$  non linear coordinate transf       $\uparrow$  non linear in terms of  $W_\alpha(X)$

$\uparrow$  where  $w_\mu = \sum_{A=1}^N w_{\mu}^A$        $\uparrow$  where  $W = W^+ + \bar{W}$

$\uparrow$  locally generated       $\uparrow$  'homogeneous rest'

After non trivial analysis, simple links

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locally generated pieces

$$w_{\mu}^A(x) = A_{\mu\alpha}^A(x_A^0) W_{\alpha}^{+A}(x)$$

'externally generated' pieces

$$\sum_{B \neq A} w_{\mu}^{B(+)} = A_{\mu\alpha}^A(x_A^0) \bar{W}_{\alpha}^A(x_A) + B_{\mu}^A(x_A)$$

explicitly computed in terms of  $z_A^p, e_{Aa}^{\mu}$

can be rewritten as

$$\bar{W}_{\alpha}^A = A_{\alpha\mu}^{A(-1)} \left[ \sum_{B \neq A} w_{\mu}^B - B_{\mu}^A(x) \right]$$

'tidal grav. field in A frame'

generated by far away bodies

additional 'inertial contribution'

closely analogous to Newtonian result:

$$\bar{U}^A = \sum_{B \neq A} U^B - C(t) - \frac{d^2 \vec{z}_A}{dt^2} \cdot \vec{X}_A$$

tidal potential

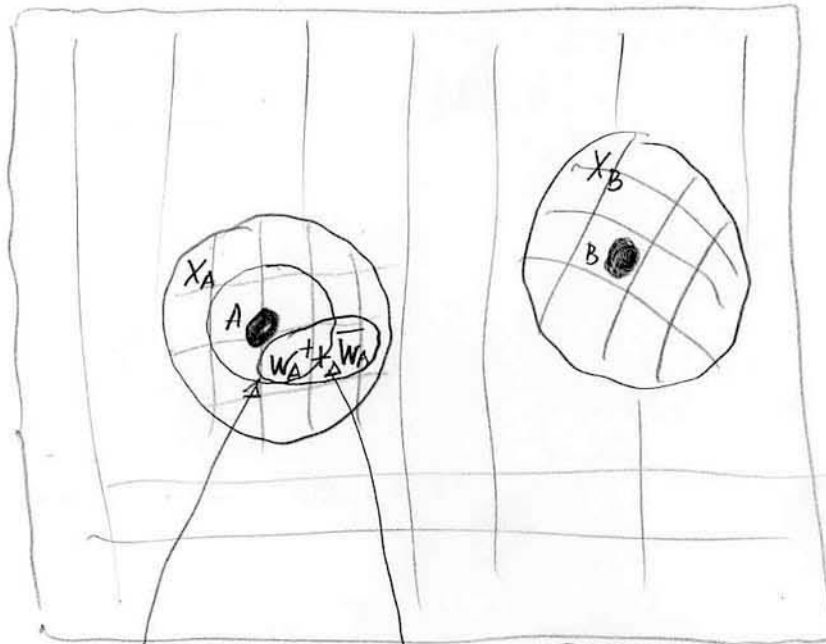
externally generated

inertia effects of accelerated frame



2.7 Introduction of relativistic multipole and tidal moments

Basic idea



$W_A^+$  locally generated

outside A, but in local A frame

SKELETONIZE A

by 1PN-accurate multipoles

$$M_L^A$$

$$S_L^A$$

describing

$$W_A^+$$

$\bar{W}_A$  externally generated

"SKELETONIZE" the effect of other bodies + inertial effects in local A frame

by expanding

$$\bar{W}_A$$

in Taylor series in  $\vec{X}_A$

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relativistic multipole moments (1PN) : BD moments  
[BD89]

$$M_{a_1 a_2 \dots a_l}^A(T) \equiv \int_A d^3X X^{<a_1} \dots X^{a_l>} \frac{\Gamma_A^{00} + \Gamma_A^{ss}}{c^2} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{everything} \\ \text{in the } A\text{-frame} \end{array}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2(2l+3)} \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d^2}{dT^2} \int_A d^3X X^2 X^{<a_1} \dots X^{a_l>} \frac{\Gamma_A^{00}}{c^2}$$

$$- \frac{4(2l+1)}{(l+1)(2l+3)c^2} \frac{d}{dT} \int_A d^3X X^{<b} X^{a_1} \dots X^{a_l>} \frac{\Gamma_A^{0b}}{c}$$

$$S_{a_1 \dots a_l}^A(T) \equiv \int_A d^3X \epsilon_{bc \dots a_l} X_{a_1} \dots X_{a_{l-1}} X_b \frac{\Gamma_A^{0c}}{c}$$

relativistic tidal moments (1PN)

gauge-invariant  
gravito-electric  
and -magnetic  
"tidal fields"

$$\bar{E}_a^A(X_A) = \partial_a \bar{W}^A + \frac{4}{c^2} \partial_{\pi} \bar{W}_a^A$$

$$\bar{B}_a^A(X_A) = \epsilon_{abc} \partial_b (-4 \bar{W}_c^A)$$

externally  
generated,  
as seen  
in  $X_A$  frame

'electric-'  
and  
'magnetic-type'  
relativistic  
tidal moments

$$G_{a_1 \dots a_l}^A(T) \equiv \partial_{<a_1 a_2 \dots a_{l-1}} \bar{E}_{a_l}^A \Big|_{\vec{X}_A=0}$$

$$H_{a_1 \dots a_l}^A(T) \equiv \partial_{<a_1 \dots a_{l-1}} \bar{B}_{a_l}^A \Big|_{\vec{X}_A=0}$$

- Expression of local gravitational field in terms of multipole and tidal moments

$$W^A_{(T, \vec{X})} = G \sum_{l \geq 0} \frac{(-1)^l}{l!} \partial_L \left( \frac{M^A_L(T, \vec{R}/c)}{R} \right) + \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_T (\Lambda^A - \lambda) + O(4)$$

half-sum

$$W^A_a(T, \vec{X}) = -G \sum_{l \geq 1} \frac{(-1)^l}{l!} \left[ \partial_{L-1} \left( \frac{\dot{M}^A_{aL-1}}{R} \right) + \frac{l}{l+1} \epsilon_{abc} \partial_{bL-1} \left( \frac{S^A_{cL-1}}{R} \right) \right] - \frac{1}{4} \partial_a (\Lambda^A - \lambda) + O(2)$$

$$\bar{W}^A(T, \vec{X}) = \sum_l \frac{1}{l!} \left[ \hat{X}^L G^A_L(T) + \frac{1}{2(2l+3)c^2} \vec{X}^2 \hat{X}^L \ddot{G}^A_L(T) \right] + \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_T \bar{\Lambda}^A + O(4)$$

$$\bar{W}^A_a(T, \vec{X}) = \sum_l \frac{1}{l!} \left[ -\frac{2l+1}{(l+1)(2l+3)} \hat{X}^{aL} \dot{G}^A_L + \frac{l}{4(l+1)} \epsilon_{abc} \hat{X}^{bL-1} H^A_{cL-1} \right] - \frac{1}{4} \partial_a \bar{\Lambda}^A + O(2)$$

2.8 Relativistic tidally expanded equations of motion AGR 2.19

d'Alembert-type approach

Local evolution equation for matter variables

$$0 = \nabla_\beta T^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^\beta} T^{\alpha\beta} + \Gamma_{\sigma\beta}^\alpha T^{\sigma\beta} + \Gamma_{\sigma\beta}^\beta T^{\alpha\sigma}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_\tau \Sigma + \partial_{x^a} \Sigma^a &= \frac{1}{c^2} \partial_\tau T^{ss} - \frac{1}{c^2} \Sigma \partial_\tau W + \mathcal{O}(4) \\ \partial_\tau \left[ \left(1 + \frac{4W}{c^2}\right) \Sigma^a \right] + \partial_{x^b} \left[ \left(1 + \frac{4W}{c^2}\right) T^{ab} \right] &= \mathcal{F}^a(\tau, \vec{x}) + \mathcal{O}(4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathcal{F}^a(\tau, \vec{x}) = \Sigma E_a + \frac{1}{c^2} B_{ab} \Sigma^b = \left( \Sigma \vec{E} + \frac{1}{c^2} \vec{\Sigma} \times \vec{B} \right)_a$$

TOTAL  
E and B fields  
E + E ...

remarkable Lorentz form of relativistic force density

Note:

LINEAR in W

$$\mathcal{F}^a = \mathcal{F}^a [W_{\alpha}^{\text{tot}}] = \mathcal{F}^a [W^+] + \mathcal{F}^a [W^-]$$

'self-force density'

'external force density'

$\frac{+}{-} a$

$\frac{-}{+} a$

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Consider evolution of  $l=0$  and  $l=1$  BD multipoles

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{d}{dT} M^A(T) \stackrel{l=0}{=} F_0^A[W] = -\frac{1}{c^2} \int_A d^3x \Sigma \partial_T W - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{dT} \int_A d^3x \Sigma x^b \partial_b W \\ \frac{d^2}{dT^2} M_a^A(T) = F_a^A[W] = \int_A d^3x \mathcal{F}^a[W] - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{dT} \int_A d^3x (4W \Sigma^a + x^a \Sigma \partial_T W) \\ \quad - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d^2}{dT^2} \int_A d^3x (x^a x^b - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}^2 \delta^{ab}) \Sigma \partial_b W \end{array} \right.$$

again RHS's are linear in  $W$

$$\Rightarrow F_\alpha^A[W^A] = F_\alpha^{+A} \overset{W^+}{\swarrow} + \overset{\bar{W}}{\swarrow} F_\alpha^A$$

Theorem ('1PN Action and Reaction'):

$$F_\alpha^{+A} = 0 \text{ mod } \mathcal{O}(4)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_\alpha^A[W] = F_\alpha^A[\bar{W}]$$

↑  
insert tidal expansion

↓  
complicated intermediate calculations

but nice simplifications allows one to express  
the final result only in terms of multipole and  
tidal moments

$$\frac{dM^A}{dT_A} = \bar{F}_0^A [M_L^A, G_L^A] + O(4)$$

$$\frac{d^2 M_a^A}{dT_A^2} = \bar{F}_a^A [M_L^A, S_L^A, G_L^A, H_L^A] + O(4)$$

where, for instance,

$$\bar{F}_a = \sum_l \frac{1}{l!} \left\{ M_L G_{aL} + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{l}{l+1} S_L H_{aL} + \text{seven other } 1/c^2 \text{ terms} \right\}$$

↑ "Newtonian-like" term
↑ explicit 1PN corrections

NB:  $\bar{F}_0 = -\frac{1}{c^2} \sum_l \frac{1}{l!} \{ (l+1) M_L \dot{G}_L + l \dot{M}_L G_L \}$  is  $\neq 0$  in general

2.9 Translational equations of motion à la d'Alembert

① Attach the spatial origin of A-frame to body A by

requiring

$$M_a^A(T) = 0$$

specific way of defining a relativistic center of mass for A

(2) Write the consequence of center of mass definition AGR 2.22

$$\frac{d^2 M_a^A}{d\tau^2} = 0 = \bar{F}_a [M_L^A, S_L^A, G_L^A, H_L^A]$$

i.e.  $0 = M^A G_a^A + \frac{1}{2!} M_{bc}^A G_{abc}^A + \dots + \frac{1}{l!} M_L^A G_{aL}^A$

$$+ \frac{1}{c^2} \sum_l \frac{1}{l!} \frac{d}{d\tau} S_L H_{aL} + \text{seven other } \frac{1}{c^2} f(\text{MSGH})$$

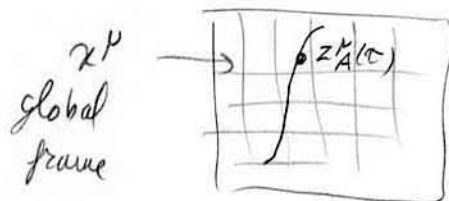
'tidal dipole'

$$G_a^A = \sum_{B \neq A} G_a^{B/A} - A_a^A$$

contributions from other bodies

$$A_a^A = \eta_{\mu\nu} e_{Aa}^\mu \frac{d^2 z_A^\nu}{d\tau^2}$$

Minkowski acceleration of  $z_A^\mu$  worldline



⇒ yields translational equations of motion for body A

$$M^A A_a^A = \sum_{B \neq A} (M^A G_a^{B/A} [M_k^B, S_k^B]) + \sum_{l \geq 2} \frac{1}{l!} M_L^A G_{aL}^{B/A} [M_k^B, S_k^B] + \frac{1}{c^2} F_a^{(1PN)} (M_L^A, S_L^A; G_L^A, [M_k^B, S_k^B], H_L^A, [M_k^B, S_k^B]) + O(4)$$

RHS can be fully expressed in terms of multipole moments

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**2.10** Rotational equations of motion

Similarly, with extra work (DSX3: PRD 47,3124 (1993)), one can derive a 1PN-accurate law of evolution for a certain 1PN-accurate 'spin vector' of body A.

$$\frac{d}{dt} S_a^{A(1PN)} = \bar{L}_a^A [M_L^A, S_L^A, G_L^A, H_L^A] + O(4)$$

$$S_a^A = S_a^{BD \text{ usual}} [\Sigma_A^\alpha]$$

$$+ \frac{1}{c^2} \bar{S}_a^A [E, B]$$

↑  
tidal fields

$$\sum_b \frac{1}{b!} \left[ \epsilon_{abc} M_{bL}^A G_{cL}^A + \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{b+1}{b+2} \epsilon_{abc} S_{bL}^A H_{cL}^A \right]$$

↑  
Newtonian torque

↑  
 $\frac{1}{c^2}$  corrections



2.11

## Applications of DSX formalism

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- Allows one to control/correct the application of GR in, e.g., the relativistic description of the Earth environment: tests of GR on Earth, satellite motion around the Earth (DSX4:PRD49,618/1994)
- Allows one to describe, with relativistic accuracy, the use of modern technologies in solar-system: VLBI, laser tracking of Moon etc...
- Allows one to derive 1PN accurate equations of motion for solar-system, including all effects of higher multipoles (notably spin and quadrupole, which are the dominant corrections)

(2.12) Application to a derivation of the 2.25  
Lorentz-Droste-Einstein-Infeld-Hoffmann  
equations of motion for  $N$  monopolar bodies

truncation to a 'monopolar model' for each body:

i.e.  $\forall A=1, \dots, N$ :  $l \geq 1 \Rightarrow M_L^A = 0 = S_L^A$

i.e. keep only mass monopole  $l=0$   $M^A \neq 0$

• <sup>general</sup> the law  $\frac{dM^A}{dT} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \sum_L \frac{1}{L!} \{ (L+1) M_L \dot{G}_L + L \dot{M}_L G_L \}$   
 $= -\frac{1}{c^2} M^A \dot{G}^A$

actually 'monopole tidal moment',  $G^A(T) = \bar{W}_A(T, \vec{0})$   $\vec{x}_A = 0$

Fix freedom in definition of local time  $T_A$  by requiring

$$\bar{W}_A(T, \vec{0}) = 0 \rightarrow G^A(T) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{dM^A}{dT} = 0$$

Fix origin of A frame to be the 1PN 'center of mass'

i.e.

$$\boxed{M_a^A(T) = 0}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = \frac{d^2 M_a^A}{dT^2} = M^A G_a^A + \frac{1}{2!} M^{A bc} G_{abc}^A + \frac{1}{c^2} \sum_{\ell} \frac{1}{\ell!} \frac{1}{\ell+1} S_{\ell} H_{a\ell} + \dots$$

$\downarrow$   $\downarrow$   
 $0$   $0$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{G_a^A = 0}$$

i.e.

$$\boxed{\bar{E}_a^A \Big|_{\vec{x}_A=0} = 0}$$

Let us define the following metric around body A

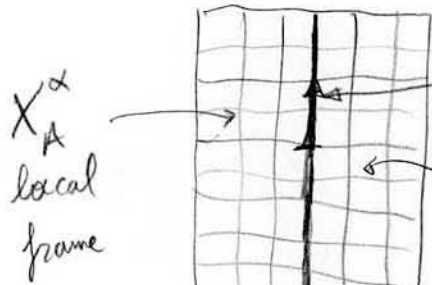
$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \bar{G}_{00}^A(T, \vec{X}) &\equiv -e^{-\frac{2}{c^2} \bar{W}^A} \\ \bar{G}_{0a}^A(T, \vec{X}) &\equiv -\frac{4}{c^3} \bar{W}_a^A \\ \bar{G}_{ab}^A(T, \vec{X}) &\equiv \delta_{ab} e^{+\frac{2}{c^2} \bar{W}^A} \end{aligned}}$$

$\uparrow$   
 defines an 'external metric'  
 obtained by discarding the  
 self-terms  $\bar{W}^A$  in the exponential  
 parametrization

$$\neq \left\{ \begin{aligned} G_{00} &= -e^{-\frac{2}{c^2} W} \\ G_{0a} &= -\frac{4}{c^3} W_a \\ G_{ab} &= \delta_{ab} e^{\frac{2}{c^2} W} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$\uparrow$   
 real metric, with  
 $W = \bar{W}^A + \bar{W}^A$

Then consider the A worldline within metric  $\bar{G}_{\alpha\beta}$  2.27



A worldline  $X_A^a = 0$

$$d\bar{s}^2 = \bar{G}_{\alpha\beta}(X) dX^\alpha dX^\beta$$

mit tangent vector

$$\bar{u}_A^\alpha = e^{\bar{W}/c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial T} = (e^{\bar{W}/c^2}, 0, 0, 0)$$

$$\bar{G}_{\alpha\beta}^A \bar{u}_A^\alpha \bar{u}_A^\beta = -1$$

coordinate vectorial basis:  $E_0 \equiv \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial}{\partial T_A} \leftrightarrow \bar{u}_A = c e^{\bar{W}/c^2} E_0$   
 $E_a \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial X_A^a}$

simple calculation

$$\bar{G}_A(\epsilon_a, \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{u}_A} \bar{u}_A) \equiv \bar{G}_{\alpha\beta}^A \epsilon_a^\alpha \bar{u}_A^\beta \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{u}_A} \bar{u}_A^\beta = -\bar{E}_a^A \Big|_{\vec{X}=0}$$

Therefore

$$G_a^A = 0 \rightarrow \bar{E}_a^A = 0 \rightarrow \bar{\nabla}_{\bar{u}_A} \bar{u}_A = 0$$

i.e. the A worldline is a geodesic of the

A-external metric

$$d\bar{s}_A^2 = \bar{G}_{\alpha\beta}^A(X) dX^\alpha dX^\beta$$

by transforming to global coordinates  $X_A^\alpha \rightarrow x^\mu$   
 one concludes that the A worldline is a  
 geodesic of the following global-coords A-external metric

$$d\bar{s}^2 = \bar{g}_{\mu\nu}^A(x^\mu) dx^\mu dx^\nu \quad \text{where}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \bar{g}_{00}^A(x) = - \exp \left( -\frac{2}{c^2} \sum_{B \neq A} w^B(x) \right) \\ \bar{g}_{0i}^A(x) = - \frac{4}{c^3} \sum_{B \neq A} w_i^B(x) \\ \bar{g}_{ij}^A(x) = \delta_{ij} \exp \left( \frac{2}{c^2} \sum_{B \neq A} w^B(x) \right) \end{array} \right.$$

with some extra work (using  $w_\mu^A = U_\mu^\alpha W_\alpha^A$ )

one can express  $w^B(x)$  in terms of  $M_B$  and  $\alpha$ -coordinates.

Finally one checks that the 1PN eqs of motion  $\frac{d^2 z_A^i}{dt^2} = A_{A0}^i + \frac{1}{c^2} A_A^i$   
 can be derived from the Lagrangian (Lorentz-Droste '17; EIH '38)

$$\begin{aligned} L(\vec{z}_A, \vec{v}_A) = & \sum_A \frac{1}{2} M_A \vec{v}_A^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{A \neq B} \frac{G M_A M_B}{r_{AB}} + \frac{1}{8c^2} \sum M_A v_A^4 \\ & + \frac{3}{2c^2} \sum_{A \neq B} \frac{G M_A M_B \vec{v}_A^2}{r_{AB}} - \frac{1}{4c^2} \sum_{A \neq B} \frac{G M_A M_B}{r_{AB}} \left[ 7 \vec{v}_A \cdot \vec{v}_B + \frac{(\vec{n}_A \cdot \vec{v}_A)(\vec{n}_B \cdot \vec{v}_B)}{r_{AB}} \right] \\ & - \sum_A \sum_{B \neq A} \sum_{C \neq A} \frac{1}{2c^2} \frac{G^2 M_A M_B M_C}{r_{AB} r_{AC}} \end{aligned}$$