

Orbital Dynamics of Eccentric Compact Binaries

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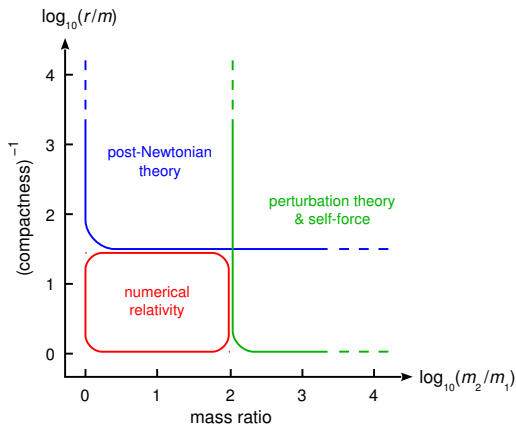
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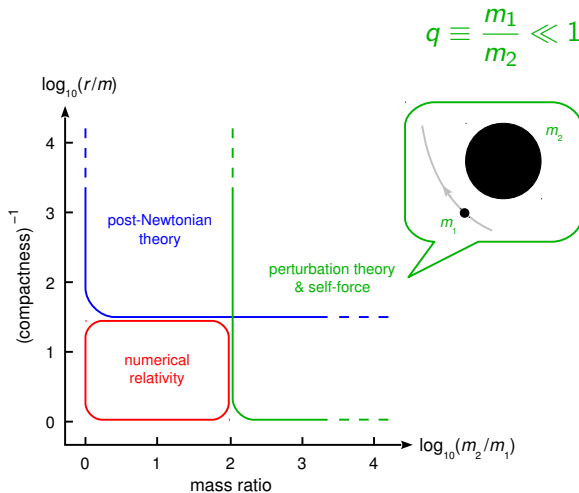
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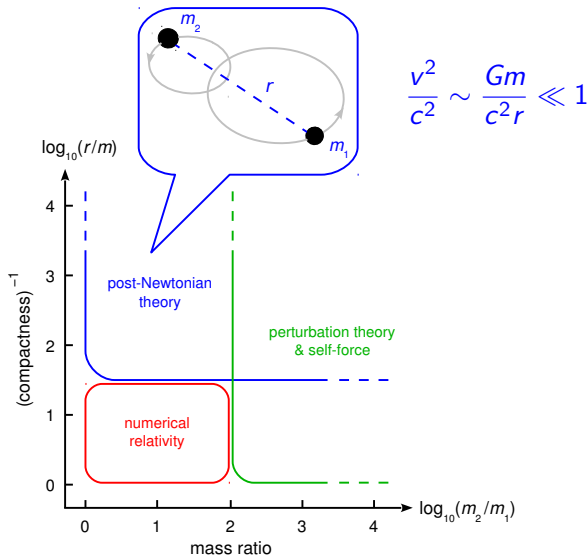
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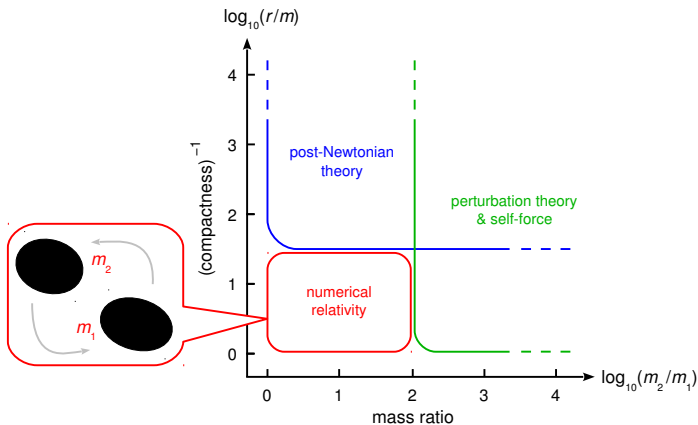
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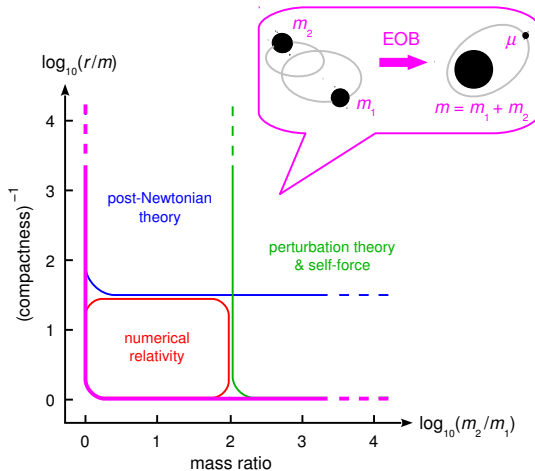
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- Gravitational waveforms at future null infinity
- Conservative effects on the **orbital dynamics**

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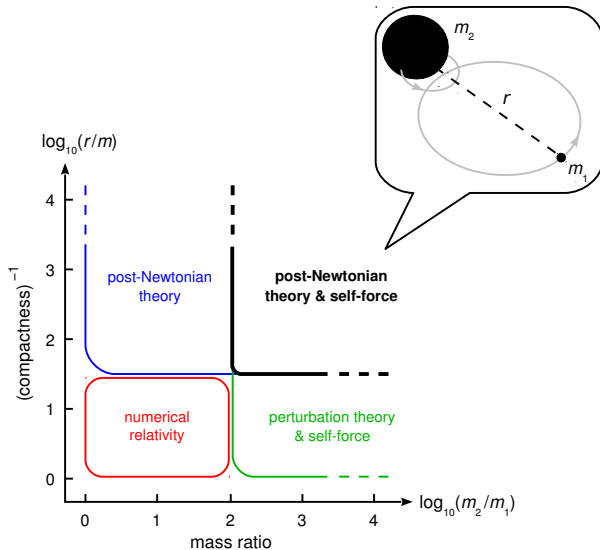
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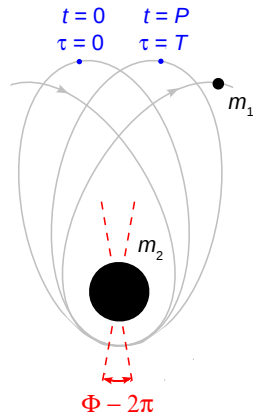
- Generic eccentric orbit parameterized by the two **invariant frequencies**

$$n = \frac{2\pi}{P}, \quad \omega = \frac{\Phi}{P}$$

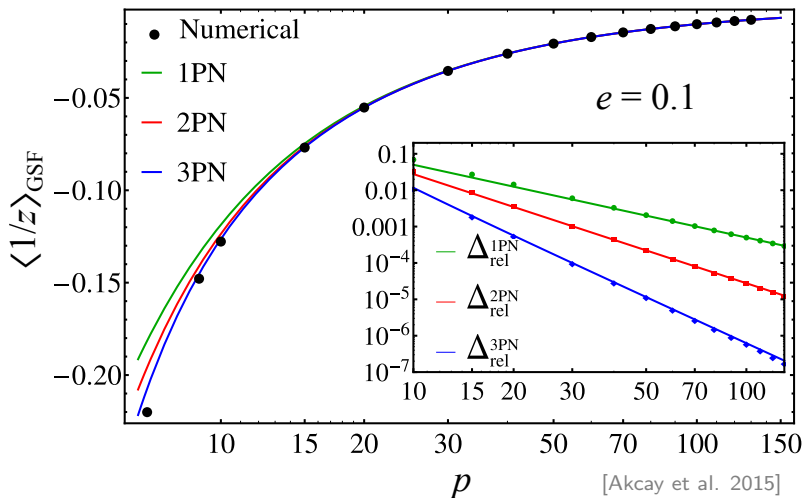
- Time average** of $z = d\tau/dt$ over one radial period [Barack & Sago 2010]

$$\langle z \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{P} \int_0^P z(t) dt = \frac{T}{P}$$

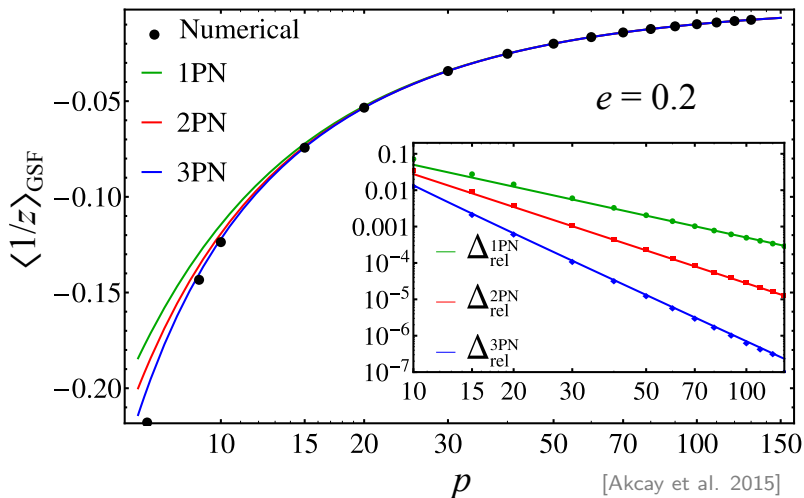
- Coordinate-invariant** relation $\langle z \rangle(n, \omega)$ is well defined in GSF and PN frameworks



Averaged redshift vs semi-latus rectum

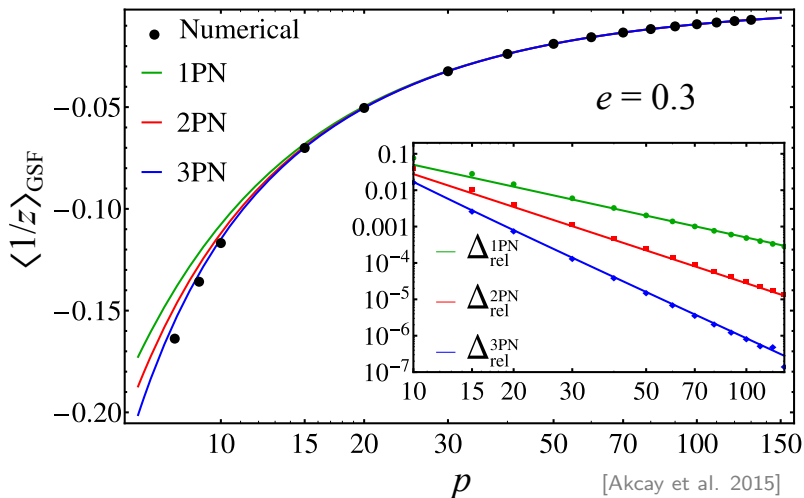


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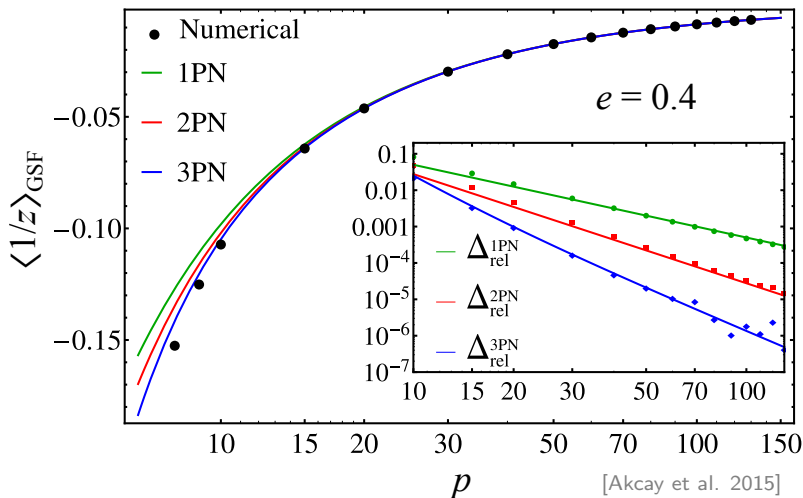


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New coefficients at **4PN** and **5PN** orders [van de Meent, Shah 2015]

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First law of binary mechanics

- Canonical ADM Hamiltonian H of two point masses m_a
- Variation δH + Hamilton's equation + orbital averaging:

$$\delta M = \omega \delta L + n \delta R + \sum_a \langle z_a \rangle \delta m_a$$

- First integral associated with the variational first law:

$$M = 2(\omega L + nR) + \sum_a \langle z_a \rangle m_a$$

- These relations are satisfied up to *at least* 3PN order

Applications of the first law

- **Conservative dynamics** beyond the geodesic approximation
- Shift of the Schwarzschild **separatrix** and **singular curve**
- **Calibration of EOB** potentials for generic bound orbits

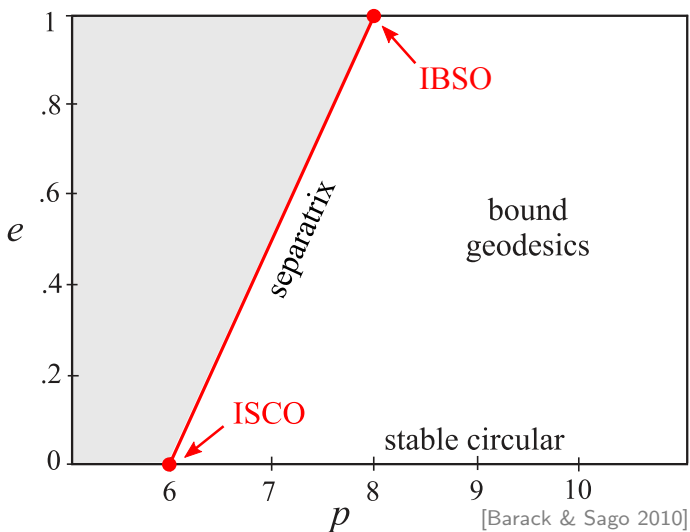
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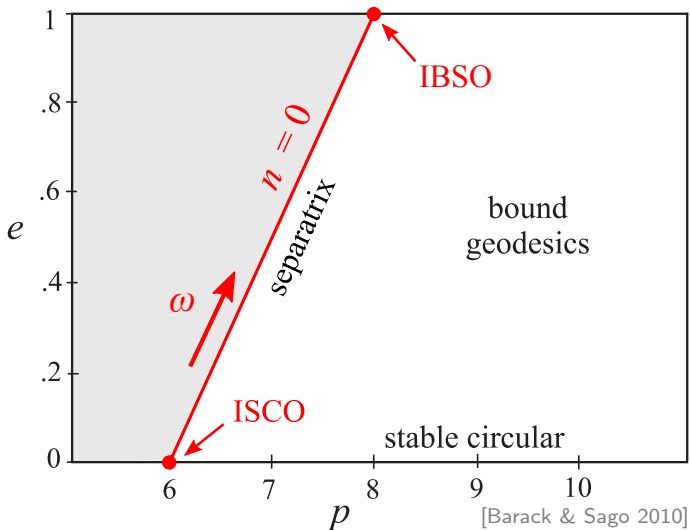
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Shift of the Schwarzschild separatrix

- Separatrix $\omega = \omega_{\text{sep}}(e)$ characterized by the condition

$$n = 0$$

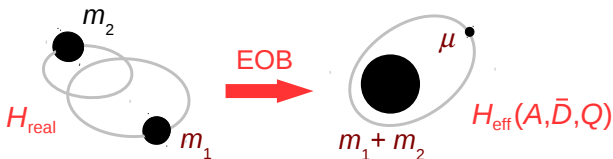
- GSF-induced shift of Schwarzschild **ISCO frequency**

[Barack & Sago 2009; Le Tiec et al. 2012; Akcay et al. 2012]

$$\frac{\Delta\omega_{\text{isco}}}{\omega_{\text{isco}}} = 1.2101539(4) q$$

- GSF-induced shift of Schwarzschild **IBSO frequency** ?
- $\mathcal{O}(q)$ shift in $\omega = \omega_{\text{sep}}(e)$ controlled by $\langle z \rangle_{\text{GSF}}(n, \omega)$

EOB dynamics beyond circular motion



- Conservative EOB dynamics determined by “potentials”

$$A = 1 - 2u + \nu a(u) + \mathcal{O}(\nu^2)$$

$$\bar{D} = 1 + \nu \bar{d}(u) + \mathcal{O}(\nu^2)$$

$$Q = \nu q(u) p_r^4 + \mathcal{O}(\nu^2)$$

- Functions $a(u)$, $\bar{d}(u)$ and $q(u)$ controlled by $\langle z \rangle_{\text{GSF}}(n, \omega)$

Summary

- GSF/PN comparison for **eccentric orbits** relying on $\langle z \rangle(n, \omega)$
- **First law** of mechanics for eccentric-orbit compact binaries
- Numerous applications of the first law:
 - **Conservative dynamics** beyond the geodesic approximation
 - Shift of the Schwarzschild **separatrix** and **singular curve**
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Prospects

- GSF/PN comparison for **eccentric orbits** relying on $\langle \psi \rangle(n, \omega)$
- Extension of the first law to **precessing spinning** binaries

Additional Material

Redshift invariant for circular orbits

- It measures the **redshift** of light emitted from the point particle [Detweiler 2008]

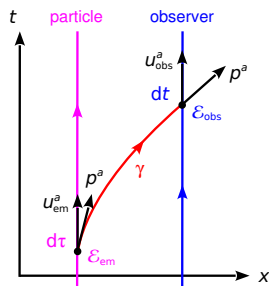
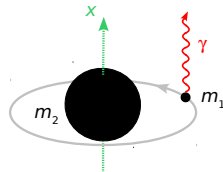
$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_{\text{obs}}}{\mathcal{E}_{\text{em}}} = \frac{(p^a u_a)_{\text{obs}}}{(p^a u_a)_{\text{em}}} = z$$

- It is a **constant of the motion** associated with the helical Killing field k^a :

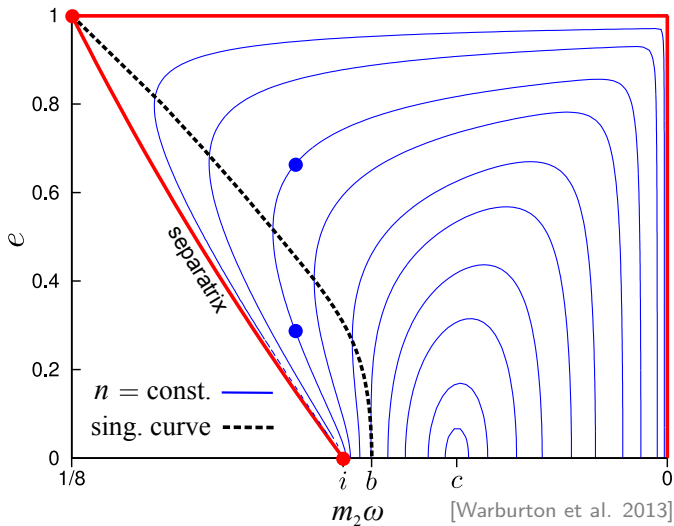
$$z = -k^a u_a$$

- In coordinates adapted to the symmetry:

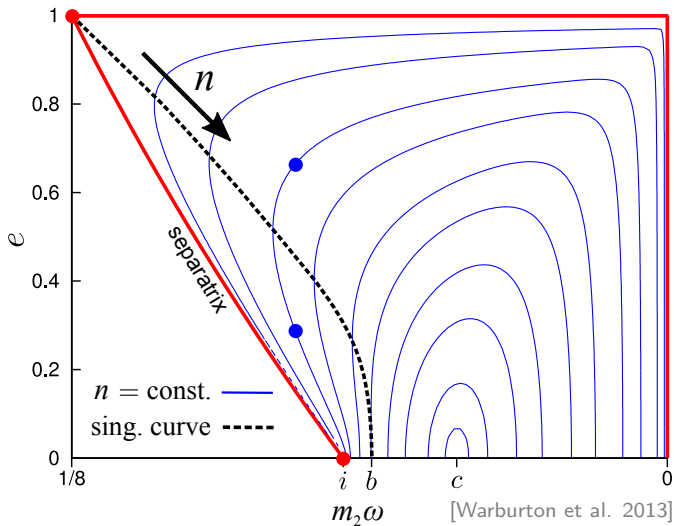
$$z = \frac{d\tau}{dt} = \frac{1}{u^t}$$



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Shift of the Schwarzschild singular curve

- Singular curve $\omega = \omega_{\text{sing}}(n)$ characterized by condition

$$\left| \frac{\partial(n, \omega)}{\partial(M, L)} \right| = 0$$

- In the test-particle limit $q \rightarrow 0$ this is equivalent to

$$\left[(\partial_{n\omega}^2 \langle z \rangle)^2 - \partial_n^2 \langle z \rangle \partial_\omega^2 \langle z \rangle \right]^{-1} = 0$$

- $\mathcal{O}(q)$ shift in $\omega = \omega_{\text{sing}}(n)$ controlled by $\langle z \rangle_{\text{GSF}}(n, \omega)$