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## **Eccentric Point Particle Binaries In The Linear Regime Of The Characteristic Formulation Of General Relativity**

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# 1. Objectives

- Examine in full details the boundary conditions on the world tubes generated by the orbits of the binary system.
- Show that in the linearized regime of the Einstein field equations in the Characteristic Formulation, the power emitted by a binary system computed via News function is in agreement with the Peters and Mathews expression obtained in the 1960s.

## 2. Linearized Regime

- [Bondi et al., 1962, Sachs, 1962], Bondi-Sachs metric

$$ds^2 = - \left( \left( 1 + \frac{w}{r} \right) e^{2\beta} - r^2 h_{AB} U^A U^B \right) du^2 - 2e^{2\beta} dudr - 2r^2 h_{AB} U^B dudx^A + r^2 h_{AB} dx^A dx^B, \quad (1)$$

- At the linearized regime, perturbing the Minkowski metric, (1) becomes

$$g_{\mu\nu} =: \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \frac{w}{r} - 2\beta & -1 - 2\beta & -\frac{r^2(U + \bar{U})}{1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta}} & i\frac{r^2(U - \bar{U})}{1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta}} \\ -1 - 2\beta & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -\frac{r^2(U + \bar{U})}{1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta}} & 0 & \frac{2r^2(2 + J + \bar{J})}{(1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta})^2} & -\frac{2ir^2(J - \bar{J})}{(1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta})^2} \\ i\frac{r^2(U - \bar{U})}{1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta}} & 0 & -\frac{2ir^2(J - \bar{J})}{(1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta})^2} & -\frac{2r^2(-2 + J + \bar{J})}{(1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta})^2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

- where

$$J = \frac{h_{AB} q^A q^B}{2}, \quad \bar{J} = \frac{h_{AB} \bar{q}^A \bar{q}^B}{2}, \quad K = \frac{h_{AB} \bar{q}^A q^B}{2}, \quad U = U^A q_A, \quad \bar{U} = U^A \bar{q}_A, \quad (2)$$

are spin-weighted scalars [Winicour, 2012, Bishop et al., 1997, Bishop et al., 2005]

- $q^A$  are tangent vectors to the unit sphere, in stereographic coordinates they are

$$q^A = \frac{(1 + \zeta\bar{\zeta})}{2} (\delta_3^A + i\delta_4^A), \quad q^\mu = (0, 0, q^A). \quad (3)$$

[Gómez et al., 1997, Newman and Penrose, 1966, Goldberg et al., 1967]

- where

$$\zeta_N = \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) e^{i\phi}, \quad \theta \in [0, \pi/2], \quad \zeta_S = \cot\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right) e^{i\phi}, \quad \theta \in [0, \pi/2],$$

$$\phi \in [0, 2\pi) \quad (4)$$

- The field equations are decomposed as hypersurface, evolution and constraints [Bishop et al., 1997, Bishop, 2005, Reisswig et al., 2010]

$$E_{22} = 0, \quad E_{2A}q^A = 0, \quad E_{AB}h^{AB} = 0, \quad (5a)$$

$$E_{AB}q^A q^B = 0, \quad (5b)$$

$$E_{11} = 0, \quad E_{12} = 0, \quad E_{1A}q^A = 0, \quad (5c)$$

- where

$$E_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - 8\pi \left( T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}T \right), \quad \text{with} \quad E_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad (6)$$

► The field equations read [Bishop, 2005]

$$8\pi T_{22} = \frac{4\beta_{,r}}{r}, \quad (7a)$$

$$8\pi T_{2A}q^A = \frac{\bar{\delta}J_{,r}}{2} - \bar{\delta}\beta_{,r} + \frac{2\bar{\delta}\beta}{r} + \frac{(r^4U_{,r})_{,r}}{2r^2}, \quad (7b)$$

$$8\pi (h^{AB}T_{AB} - r^2T) = -2\bar{\delta}\bar{\delta}\beta + \frac{\bar{\delta}^2\bar{J} + \bar{\delta}^2J}{2} + 4\beta - 2w_{,r} \\ + \frac{(r^4(\bar{\delta}U + \bar{\delta}\bar{U}))_{,r}}{2r^2}, \quad (7c)$$

$$8\pi T_{AB}q^Aq^B = -2\bar{\delta}^2\beta + (r^2\bar{\delta}U)_{,r} - (r^2J_{,r})_{,r} + 2r(rJ)_{,ur}, \quad (7d)$$

$$8\pi \left( \frac{T}{2} + T_{11} \right) = \frac{\bar{\delta}\bar{\delta}w}{2r^3} + \frac{\bar{\delta}\bar{\delta}\beta}{r^2} - \frac{(\bar{\delta}\bar{U} + \bar{\delta}U)_{,u}}{2} + \frac{w_{,u}}{r^2} + \frac{w_{,rr}}{2r} - \frac{2\beta_{,u}}{r}, \quad (7e)$$

$$8\pi \left( \frac{T}{2} + T_{12} \right) = \frac{\bar{\delta}\bar{\delta}\beta}{r^2} - \frac{(r^2(\bar{\delta}\bar{U} + \bar{\delta}U))_{,r}}{4r^2} + \frac{w_{,rr}}{2r}, \quad (7f)$$

$$8\pi T_{1A}q^A = \frac{\bar{\delta}J_{,u}}{2} - \frac{\bar{\delta}^2\bar{U}}{4} + \frac{\bar{\delta}\bar{\delta}U}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\bar{\delta}w}{r} \right)_{,r} - \bar{\delta}\beta_{,u} + \frac{(r^4U)_{,r}}{2r^2} \\ - \frac{r^2U_{,ur}}{2} + U. \quad (7g)$$

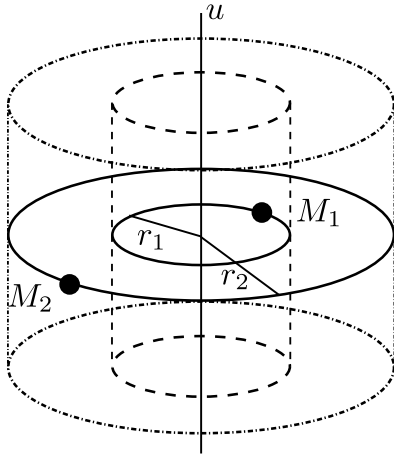
- Where the differential operators  $\bar{\partial}$  and  $\bar{\bar{\partial}}$  are the projections of the covariant derivatives onto  $q^A$  vectors and satisfy

$$\bar{\partial}_s \Psi = (1 + \zeta \bar{\zeta}) {}_s \Psi_{,\bar{\zeta}} + s \zeta {}_s \Psi, \quad (8a)$$

$$\bar{\bar{\partial}}_s \Psi = (1 + \zeta \bar{\zeta}) {}_s \Psi_{,\zeta} - s \bar{\zeta} {}_s \Psi, \quad (8b)$$

$$[\bar{\partial}, \bar{\bar{\partial}}]_s \Psi = -2s {}_s \Psi. \quad (8c)$$

### 3. Solution for an eccentric binary system



$${}_s f = \sum_{l,m} \Re \left( f_{lm} e^{i|m|\tilde{\phi}} \right) \partial^s Z_{lm}$$

where  ${}_s f = \{\beta, w, J, \bar{J}, U, \bar{U}\}$ ,  
 $\tilde{\phi} := \tilde{\phi}(u)$

- Two (for equal masses) or three (different masses) empty regions

▶ Two ways to solve this boundary problem:

- Vacuum solutions + jumps in  $g_{\mu\nu}$  and in  $g_{\mu\nu,\gamma} \Rightarrow T_{\mu\nu}$
- Vacuum solutions +  $T_{\mu\nu} \Rightarrow$  jumps in  $g_{\mu\nu}$  and in  $g_{\mu\nu,\gamma}$ .



- The solutions for the radial part of the equation (7) for the vacuum, for  $l = 2$  and  $m \neq 0$ , are

$$\beta_{2m}(r) = D_{1\beta 2m},$$

$$J_{2m}(r) = \frac{2iD_{1\beta 2m}}{\dot{\phi}r|m|} - \frac{D_{1J 2m}(\dot{\phi}r|m| - 1)(\dot{\phi}r|m| + 1)}{6r^3} \\ - \frac{iD_{2J 2m}e^{2i\dot{\phi}r|m|}(\dot{\phi}r|m| + i)^2}{8\dot{\phi}^5 r^3 |m|^5} + \frac{D_{3J 2m}(\dot{\phi}r|m| - 3i)}{\dot{\phi}r|m|},$$

$$U_{2m}(r) = \frac{2D_{1\beta 2m}(\dot{\phi}r|m| + 2i)}{\dot{\phi}r^2|m|} - \frac{iD_{3J 2m}(\dot{\phi}^2 r^2 |m|^2 + 6)}{\dot{\phi}r^2|m|} \\ - \frac{D_{1J 2m}(2\dot{\phi}^2 r^2 |m|^2 + 4i\dot{\phi}r|m| + 3)}{6r^4} - \frac{D_{2J 2m}e^{2i\dot{\phi}r|m|}(2\dot{\phi}r|m| + 3i)}{8\dot{\phi}^5 r^4 |m|^5},$$

$$w_{2m}(r) = -10rD_{1\beta 2m} + 6rD_{3J 2m}(2 + i\dot{\phi}r|m|) \\ - \frac{iD_{1J 2m}((1 + i)\dot{\phi}r|m| - i)(1 + (1 + i)\dot{\phi}r|m|)}{r^2} - \frac{3iD_{2J 2m}e^{2i\dot{\phi}r|m|}}{4\dot{\phi}^5 r^2 |m|^5},$$

- $D_{nflm} := D_{nflm}(u)$  in order to allow ellipticity in the orbits.

- Boundary conditions in the world tubes

$$\begin{aligned} [g_{11}]_{r_i} = 0, \quad [g_{12}]_{r_i} = \Delta g_{12}|_{r_i}, \quad [g_{1A}]_{r_i} = 0, \quad [g_{22}]_{r_i} = 0, \\ [g_{2A}]_{r_i} = 0, \quad [g_{3\mu}]_{r_i} = 0, \quad [g_{4\mu}]_{r_i} = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

- In their first derivatives,

$$[g'_{\mu\nu}]_{r_i} = \Delta g'_{\mu\nu}, \quad \mu, \nu = 1, \dots, 4, \quad (11)$$

where the brackets mean  $[f(r)]_{r_i} = f(r)|_{r_i+\epsilon} - f(r)|_{r_i-\epsilon}$ .

- Then, the jump in the metric coefficients are

$$\begin{aligned} [w_{lm}(r_j)] = \Delta w_{jlm}, \quad [\beta_{lm}(r_j)] = \Delta \beta_{jlm}, \\ [J_{lm}(r_j)] = 0, \quad [U_{lm}(r_j)] = 0, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

- and for their first derivatives

$$\begin{aligned} [w'_{lm}(r_j)] = \Delta w'_{jlm}, \quad [\beta'_{lm}(r_j)] = \Delta \beta'_{jlm}, \\ [J'_{lm}(r_j)] = \Delta J'_{jlm}, \quad [U'_{lm}(r_j)] = \Delta U'_{jlm}, \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where  $j = 1, 2$ , and  $\Delta w_{jlm}$ ,  $\Delta \beta_{jlm}$ ,  $\Delta w'_{jlm}$ ,  $\Delta \beta'_{jlm}$ ,  $\Delta J'_{jlm}$  and  $\Delta U'_{jlm}$  are functions to be determined.

- ▶ Space-time flat at the vertex of the cones
- ▶ Regularity of the space-time at the null infinity.
- ▶ The solutions for the algebraic system of equations are,

$$\Delta\beta_{jlm} = b_{jlm}, \quad \Delta w_{jlm} = -2r_j b_{jlm}, \quad (14)$$

where  $b_{jlm}$  are constants.

- ▶ The last fact implies that  $\Delta\beta'_{jlm} = 0$ .
- ▶ We obtain that the jumps for the first derivative of the  $J_{lm}$  and  $U_{lm}$  functions are given by

$$\Delta J'_{jlm} = \frac{8\dot{\phi}^2 r_j b_{jlm} |m|^2}{(l-1)l(l+1)(l+2)}, \quad (15)$$

$$\Delta U'_{jlm} = 2b_{ilm} \left( \frac{1}{r_i^2} - \frac{4i\dot{\phi}|m|}{l(l+1)r_i} \right). \quad (16)$$

- ▶ If the system is a point particle binary, then

$$b_{jlm} = 2 \int_{I_j} dr \int_0^{2\pi} d\tilde{\phi} \int_{\Omega} d\Omega \, {}_0Z_{lm} \rho \gamma^2, \quad I_j = \left( r_j - \frac{\epsilon}{2}, r_j + \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right) \quad (17)$$



$$\rho = \frac{\delta(\theta - \pi/2)}{r^2} (M_1 \delta(r - r_1) \delta(\phi - \tilde{\phi}) + M_2 \delta(r - r_2) \delta(\phi - \tilde{\phi} - \pi)), \quad (18)$$

► [Peters and Mathews, 1963]

$$r_j = \mu_j d, \quad \mu_j = \frac{\mu}{M_j}, \quad \mu = \frac{M_1 M_2}{M_1 + M_2}, \quad (19)$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\phi}} = \frac{[(M_1 + M_2)a(1 - \epsilon^2)]^{1/2}}{d^2}, \quad d = \frac{a(1 - \epsilon^2)}{1 + \epsilon \cos \tilde{\phi}} \quad (20)$$

## 4. Gravitational Radiation

- The Bondi's News function was computed by [Bishop, 2005] and reads

$$\mathcal{N} = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{r^2 J_{,ur}}{2} + \frac{\eth^2 \omega}{2} + \eth^2 \beta \right). \quad (21)$$

- Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{N} = & \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ {}_2Z_2 \text{Re} \left( e^{2i\tilde{\phi}} (D_{1J2-2+})' (u) \right) + {}_2Z_2 \text{Re} \left( e^{2i\tilde{\phi}} (D_{1J22+})' (u) \right) \right] \\ & + 2i \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left[ {}_2Z_2 \text{Re} \left( e^{2i\tilde{\phi}} \dot{\tilde{\phi}}^3 D_{2J2-2+}(u) \right) + {}_2Z_2 \text{Re} \left( e^{2i\tilde{\phi}} \dot{\tilde{\phi}}^3 D_{2J22+}(u) \right) \right] \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

- The power emitted by the system is computed as

$$P = \frac{dE}{du} = \int_{\Omega} d\Omega |\mathcal{N}|^2 \quad (23)$$

- For equal masses and in the very low velocity limit,  $\gamma \simeq 1$ , one obtains

$$P = -\frac{64 (M_0)^5 \left( \epsilon \cos \tilde{\phi} + 1 \right)^6}{5a^5 (\epsilon^2 - 1)^5} - \frac{16 (M_0)^5 \epsilon^2 \sin^2 \tilde{\phi} \left( \epsilon \cos \tilde{\phi} + 1 \right)^4}{15a^5 (\epsilon^2 - 1)^5} \quad (24)$$

that is just the Peters and Mathews expression for the Power emitted by a point particle binary.

- For circular orbits and different masses, the News reads

$$\mathcal{N} = 2i\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \left[ {}_2Z_{2-2} \Re \left( e^{2i\tilde{\phi}} \dot{\tilde{\phi}}^3 D_{2J_{2-2+}} \right) + {}_2Z_{22} \Re \left( e^{2i\tilde{\phi}} \dot{\tilde{\phi}}^3 D_{2J_{22+}} \right) \right] \quad (25)$$

- Then, the power emitted is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE}{du} &= \frac{32}{5} \nu^6 (\mathcal{M}_{21} + \mathcal{M}_{22})^2 + \frac{2734}{315} \nu^8 (\mathcal{M}_{31} - \mathcal{M}_{32})^2 \\ &+ \frac{57376}{3969} \nu^{10} (\mathcal{M}_{41} + \mathcal{M}_{42})^2 + \frac{4010276}{155925} \nu^{12} (\mathcal{M}_{51} - \mathcal{M}_{52})^2 + \dots \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

where, the red color indicates the contribution to the power by terms of different value of  $l$  and

$$\mathcal{M}_{lj} = M_j r_j^l (v_j^2 + 1), \quad (27)$$

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