# Black Hole Physics and Relativistic Celestial Mechanics

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# The black hole uniqueness theorem in GR

[Israel 1967, Carter 1971, Hawking 1973, Robinson 1975]

• The only stationary vacuum black hole solution is the Kerr solution of mass *M* and angular momentum *S* 

"Black holes have no hair." (J. A. Wheeler)

- Black hole event horizon  $\mathcal{H}$  characterized by:
  - Angular velocity  $\omega_H$
  - Surface gravity  $\kappa$
  - Surface area A



# The laws of black hole mechanics

[Hawking 1972, Bardeen, Carter & Hawking 1973]

Zeroth law of mechanics: κ = const. (on H)
First law of mechanics: δM = ω<sub>H</sub> δS + <sup>κ</sup>/<sub>8π</sub> δA A<sub>1</sub>
Second law of mechanics:

 $\delta A \ge 0$ 



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• For a Schwarzschild black hole of mass *M*, this yields

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{4M} = \frac{GM}{R_{\rm S}^2}$$

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### Surface gravity and redshift variable

[Pound 2015]



(Credit: Zimmerman, Lewis & Pfeiffer 2016)

# Surface gravity vs orbital frequency

[Le Tiec & Grandclément 2018]



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### Comparisons to numerical relativity

- Periastron advance [Le Tiec et al. 2011, 2013]
- Binding energy [Le Tiec, Buonanno & Barausse 2012]
- Surface gravity [Zimmerman et al. 2016, Le Tiec & Grandclément 2018]
  - Recoil velocity [Fitchett & Detweiler 1984, Nagar 2013]
  - Head-on waveform [Anninos et al. 1995, Sperhake et al. 2011]
  - Inspiral waveform [van de Meent & Pfeiffer 2020, Rifat et al. 2020]
  - Inspiral energy flux [Warburton et al. 2021]

### Structure of Einstein equation

- Polynomial nonlinearity using geometric variables [Harte 2014]
- Exact EOB energy map to O(G) [Damour 2016, Vines 2017]

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dissipative

conservative

# Multipolar gravitational skeleton

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# Quadrupolar particles on a circular orbit

[Ramond & Le Tiec 2021a]

• Helical Killing field  $k^{\alpha}$  so that

 $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{k}}g_{\alpha\beta}=0$ 

Each particle worldline γ is an integral curve of k<sup>α</sup>:

$$|k^{lpha}|_{\gamma} = z \, u^{lpha}$$

 The particle multipoles are all Lie-dragged along k<sup>α</sup>:

$$\mathcal{L}_{k}\boldsymbol{p}^{\alpha}=\mathcal{L}_{k}\boldsymbol{S}^{\alpha\beta}=\mathcal{L}_{k}\boldsymbol{Q}^{\alpha\beta\rho\sigma}=\boldsymbol{0}$$





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- Spin-induced quadrupole  $Q_{
  m spin}\sim\kappa S^2$
- Tidally-induced quadrupole  $Q_{\text{tidal}} \sim \lambda \mathcal{E}$

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# Tidal deformability of Kerr black holes

[Le Tiec, Casals & Franzin 2021]



$$Q_{ij}^{\mathsf{spin}} = -S_{\langle i}S_{j\rangle}/M$$
 and  $Q_{ij}^{\mathsf{tidal}} = rac{16}{45}M^3 \mathcal{E}^k_{\ (i}\epsilon_{j)kl}S'$ 

Consistent with known tidal torquing of spinning black holes

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# Averaged redshift for eccentric orbits

[Barack & Sago 2011]

• Generic eccentric orbit parameterized by the two requencies

$$\Omega_r = \frac{2\pi}{P}, \quad \Omega_\phi = \frac{\Phi}{P}$$

• Time average of redshift  $z = \mathrm{d} \tau / \mathrm{d} t$ over one radial period

$$\langle \mathbf{z} \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{P} \int_0^P \mathbf{z}(t) \, \mathrm{d}t = \frac{1}{P} \int_0^T \mathrm{d}\tau = \frac{T}{P}$$


# First law of mechanics for eccentric orbits

[Le Tiec 2015, Blanchet & Le Tiec 2017]

- Canonical ADM Hamiltonian H(x<sub>a</sub>, p<sub>a</sub>; m<sub>a</sub>) of two point particles with constant masses m<sub>a</sub>
- Variation  $\delta H$  + Hamilton's equation + orbital averaging:

$$\delta M = \Omega_{\phi} \, \delta L + \Omega_r \, \delta J_r + \sum_{a} \langle z_a \rangle \, \delta m_a$$

• Starting at 4PN order the binary dynamics gets nonlocal in time because of gravitational-wave tails:

$$\mathcal{H}_{ ext{tail}}^{ ext{4PN}}[\mathbf{x}_{a}(t),\mathbf{p}_{a}(t)] = -rac{M}{5}I_{ij}^{(3)}(t) \; \Pr_{2r} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} rac{\mathrm{d} au}{ au} \, I_{ij}^{(3)}(t+ au)$$

• With appropriate M, L and  $J_r$  the first law still holds

• Geodesic motion of test mass m in Kerr geometry  $\bar{g}_{\alpha\beta}$  derives from Hamiltonian

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 Varying *H*(J<sub>α</sub>) yields a particle Hamiltonian first law valid for generic bound orbits [Le Tiec 2014]

$$\delta \boldsymbol{E} = \Omega_{\phi} \, \delta \boldsymbol{L} + \Omega_r \, \delta \boldsymbol{J_r} + \Omega_{\theta} \, \delta \boldsymbol{J_{\theta}} + \langle \boldsymbol{z} \rangle \, \delta \boldsymbol{m}$$

## Including conservative self-force effects

[Fujita, Isoyama, Le Tiec, Nakano, Sago & Tanaka 2017]

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The actions J<sub>α</sub> and the averaged redshift (z), as functions of (Ω<sub>r</sub>,Ω<sub>θ</sub>,Ω<sub>φ</sub>), include conservative self-force corrections from the gauge-invariant averaged interaction Hamiltonian (H<sub>int</sub>)

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- Combining the Hamiltonian first law with the condition  $\partial E/\partial \Omega = 0$  yields the same result:

$$\mathcal{C}_{m{\Omega}} = 1 + rac{1}{2} \, rac{z_{(1)}''(\Omega_{ ext{isco}}^{(0)})}{\hat{\mathcal{E}}_{(0)}''(\Omega_{ ext{isco}}^{(0)})}$$

# ISCO frequency shift vs black hole spin

[Isoyama et al. 2014]



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[van de Meent 2017]



## Innermost bound orbit in Schwarzschild

[Barack, Colleoni, Damour, Isoyama & Sago 2019]



# IBCO frequency shift in Schwarzschild

[Barack, Colleoni, Damour, Isoyama & Sago 2019]

#### Direct GSF calculation

$$\Omega_{\mathsf{IBCO}} = (8M)^{-1} \left[ 1 + 0.5536(2) \, q + O(q^2) \right]$$
$$J_{\mathsf{IBCO}} = 4M\mu \left[ 1 - 0.304(3) \, q + O(q^2) \right]$$

First-law prediction

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega_{\mathsf{IBCO}} &= (8M)^{-1} \left[ 1 + 0.55360302918(2) \, q + O(q^2) \right] \\ \mathcal{J}_{\mathsf{IBCO}} &= 4M\mu \left[ 1 - 0.304674287863142(6) \, q + O(q^2) \right] \end{aligned}$$

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# Binding energy vs orbital frequency

[Pound, Wardell, Warburton & Miller 2020]



# Summary

- The classical laws of black hole mechanics can be extended to binary systems of compact objects
- First laws of mechanics come in a variety of different forms:
  - Context: exact GR, self-force theory, PN theory
  - · Objects: black holes, multipolar point particles
  - Orbits: corotating, circular, eccentric, generic
  - Derivation: geometric, Hamiltonian
- Combined with the first law, the redshift  $z(\Omega)$  provides crucial information about the binary dynamics:
  - $\circ~$  Gravitational binding energy E and angular momentum J
  - $\circ~$  ISCO frequency  $\Omega_{ISCO}$  and IBCO frequency  $\Omega_{IBCO}$
  - EOB effective potentials A,  $\overline{D}$ , Q, ...
  - $\circ~$  Horizon surface gravity  $\kappa~$

### Prospects

- Small-mass-ratio approximation useful to build templates for IMRIs and even comparable-mass binaries
- Exploit the Hamiltonian first law for a particle in Kerr:
  - Innermost spherical orbits
  - Unbound zoom-whirl orbits
- Extend Hamiltonian first law for two spinning particles:
  - Non-aligned spins and generic precessing orbits
  - Contribution from quadrupole moments
- Link to unbound orbits and scattering angle via analytic continuation?
- Derive a first law in post-Minkowskian gravity
- Derive a first law with dissipation

# Additional Material

# Generalized zeroth law of mechanics

[Friedman, Uryū & Shibata 2002]

- Black hole spacetimes with *helical* Killing vector field  $k^{\alpha}$
- On each component  $\mathcal{H}_i$  of the event horizon, the expansion and shear of the generators vanish
- Generalized rigidity theorem:  $\mathcal{H} = \bigcup_i \mathcal{H}_i$  is a Killing horizon
- Constant horizon surface gravity

$$\kappa_i^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\nabla^\alpha k^\beta \nabla_\beta k_\alpha) \big|_{\mathcal{H}_i}$$

• The binary black hole system is in a state of *corotation* 



#### Generalized first law of mechanics

[Friedman, Uryū & Shibata 2002]

- Spacetimes with black holes + perfect fluid matter sources
- One-parameter family of solutions {g<sub>αβ</sub>(λ), u<sup>α</sup>(λ), ρ(λ), s(λ)}
- Globally defined Killing field  $k^{\alpha} \rightarrow$  conseved Noether charge Q

$$\delta Q = \sum_{i} \frac{\kappa_{i}}{8\pi} \, \delta A_{i} + \int_{\Sigma} \left[ \, \bar{h} \, \delta(\mathrm{d}M_{\mathsf{b}}) + \, \bar{T} \, \delta(\mathrm{d}S) + v^{\alpha} \, \delta(\mathrm{d}C_{\alpha}) \right]$$



# Issue of asymptotic flatness

[Friedman, Uryū & Shibata 2002]

- Binaries on circular orbits have a *helical* Killing symmetry  $k^{\alpha}$
- Helically symmetric spacetimes are *not* asymptotically flat [Gibbons & Stewart 1983, Detweiler 1989, Klein 2004]
- Asymptotic flatness can be recovered if radiation (reaction) can be "turned off":
  - Conformal Flatness Condition
  - Post-Newtonian approximation
  - Black hole perturbation theory
- For asymptotically flat spacetimes:

 $k^{lpha} 
ightarrow t^{lpha} + \Omega \, \phi^{lpha}$  and  $\delta Q = \delta M_{\text{ADM}} - \Omega \, \delta J$ 

# Application to black hole binaries

[Friedman, Uryū & Shibata 2002]

- Rigidity theorem  $\rightarrow$  black holes are in a state of corotation
- Conformal flatness condition  $\rightarrow$  asymptotic flatness recovered  $\downarrow$  preferred normalization of  $\kappa_i$  [Le Tiec & Grandclément 2018]
- For binary black holes the generalized first law reduces to

$$\delta M_{\text{ADM}} = \frac{\Omega}{2} \, \delta J + \sum_{i} \frac{\kappa_{i}}{8\pi} \, \delta A_{i}$$



#### First law for point-particle binaries

[Le Tiec, Blanchet & Whiting 2012]

• For balls of dust, the generalized first law reduces to

$$\delta Q = \int_{\Sigma} z \, \delta(\mathrm{d} M_\mathrm{b}) + \cdots, \quad \mathrm{where} \quad z = -k^{lpha} u_{lpha}$$

- Conservative PN dynamics  $\rightarrow$  asymptotic flatness recovered
- Two *spinless* compact objects modelled as point masses *m<sub>i</sub>* and moving along circular orbits obey the first law

$$\delta M_{\rm ADM} = \Omega \, \delta J + \sum_i z_i \, \delta m_i$$



## Extension to spinning binaries

[Blanchet, Buonanno & Le Tiec 2013]

- Canonical ADM Hamiltonian H(x<sub>i</sub>, p<sub>i</sub>, S<sub>i</sub>; m<sub>i</sub>) of two point particles with masses m<sub>i</sub> and spins S<sub>i</sub> [Steinhoff et al. 2008]
- Redshift observables and spin precession frequencies:

$$\frac{\partial H}{\partial m_i} = \mathbf{z}_i$$
 and  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial \mathbf{S}_i} = \mathbf{\Omega}_i$ 

• First law for aligned spins  $(J = L + \sum_i S_i)$  and circular orbits:

$$\delta M = \Omega \, \delta L + \sum_{i} \left( z_i \, \delta m_i + \Omega_i \, \delta S_i \right)$$



## Corotating point particles

[Blanchet, Buonanno & Le Tiec 2013]

 A point particle with rest mass m<sub>i</sub> and spin S<sub>i</sub> is given an irreducible mass μ<sub>i</sub> and a proper rotation frequency ω<sub>i</sub> via

$$\delta m_i = \omega_i \, \delta S_i + c_i \, \delta \mu_i$$
 and  $m_i^2 = \mu_i^2 + S_i^2 / (4\mu_i^2)$ 

The first law of binary point-particle mechanics becomes

$$\delta M = \frac{\Omega}{\delta} \delta J + \sum_{i} \left[ z_i c_i \, \delta \mu_i + (z_i \, \omega_i + \Omega_i - \Omega) \, \delta S_i \right]$$

• Comparing with the first law for *corotating* black holes,  $\delta M = \Omega \, \delta J + \sum_i (4\mu_i \kappa_i) \, \delta\mu_i$ , the corotation condition is

$$z_i \omega_i = \Omega - \Omega_i \longrightarrow \omega_i(\Omega) \longrightarrow S_i(\Omega)$$

# Surface gravity and redshift

[Blanchet, Buonanno & Le Tiec 2013]

• First law for corotating black holes

$$\delta M = \frac{\Omega}{\delta} \delta J + \sum_{i} (4\mu_{i}\kappa_{i}) \,\delta\mu_{i}$$

• First law for corotating point particles

$$\delta M = \frac{\Omega}{\delta} \delta J + \sum_{i} z_{i} c_{i} \, \delta \mu_{i}$$







• New *invariant* relations for NR/BHP/PN comparison:  $\kappa_i(\Omega)$ 

### Redshift vs orbital frequency

[Zimmerman, Lewis & Pfeiffer 2016]



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## Quasi-equilibrium initial data

• 3+1 decomposition of the metric:

$$\mathrm{d}s^{2} = -N^{2}\mathrm{d}t^{2} + \gamma_{ij}\left(\mathrm{d}x^{i} + N^{i}\mathrm{d}t\right)\left(\mathrm{d}x^{j} + N^{j}\mathrm{d}t\right)$$

• Conformal flatness condition approximation:

$$\gamma_{ij} = \Psi^4 f_{ij} + \not{p}_{ij}$$

Assume exact helical Killing symmetry:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{k}} g_{lphaeta} = 0 \quad ext{with} \quad \mathbf{k}^{lpha} = \left(\partial_{t}
ight)^{lpha} + \Omega \left(\partial_{\phi}
ight)^{lpha}$$

- Solve five elliptic equations for  $(N, N^i, \Psi)$
- Determine orbital frequency  $\Omega$  by imposing

$$M_{\rm ADM} = M_{\rm Komar}$$

Impose vanishing linear momentum to find rotation axis

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# Surface gravity for mass ratio 2 : 1



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## Variations in horizon surface gravity



#### Rotating black hole + orbiting moon

 Kerr black hole of mass *M* and spin *S* perturbed by a moon of mass *m* ≪ *M*:

$$\mathsf{g}_{\mathsf{a}\mathsf{b}}(arepsilon) = ar{\mathbf{g}}_{\mathsf{a}\mathsf{b}} + arepsilon \, \mathcal{D}_{oldsymbol{g}_{\mathsf{a}\mathsf{b}}} + \mathcal{O}(arepsilon^2)$$



• Perturbation  $\mathcal{D}_{gab}$  obeys the linearized Einstein equation with point-particle source

$$\mathcal{D}G_{ab} = 8\pi \mathcal{D}T_{ab} = 8\pi m \int_{\gamma} d\tau \,\delta_4(x, y) \, u_a u_b$$

- Particle has energy  $\mathcal{E} = -m t^a u_a$  and ang. mom.  $\mathcal{L} = m \phi^a u_a$
- Physical  $\mathcal{D}g_{ab}$ : retarded solution, no incoming radiation, perturbations  $\mathcal{D}M_{B} = \mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{D}J = \mathcal{L}$  [Keidl *et al.* 2010]

### Rotating black hole + corotating moon

- We choose for the geodesic γ the unique equatorial, circular orbit with azimuthal frequency ω<sub>H</sub>, i.e., the corotating orbit
- Gravitational radiation-reaction is O(ε<sup>2</sup>) and neglected The spacetime geometry has a helical symmetry
- In adapted coordinates, the helical Killing field reads

 $\chi^{a} = t^{a} + \bar{\omega}_{H} \phi^{a}$ 

• Conserved orbital quantity associated with symmetry:

$$z \equiv -\chi^a u_a = m^{-1} \left( \mathcal{E} - \bar{\omega}_H \mathcal{L} \right)$$



# Zeroth law for a black hole with moon

[Gralla & Le Tiec 2013]

- Because of helical symmetry and corotation, the expansion and shear of the *perturbed* future event horizon *H* vanish
- Rigidity theorems then imply that *H* is a Killing horizon [Hawking 1972, Chruściel 1997, Friedrich *et al.* 1999, etc]
- The horizon-generating Killing field must be of the form

$$k^{a}(\varepsilon) = t^{a} + (\underbrace{\bar{\omega}_{H} + \varepsilon \mathcal{D}\omega_{H}}_{\text{circular orbit}})\phi^{a} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{2})$$

• The surface gravity  $\kappa$  is defined in the usual manner as

$$\kappa^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \left( \nabla^a \mathbf{k}^b \, \nabla_a \mathbf{k}_b \right) |_H$$

• Since  $\kappa = \text{const.}$  over any Killing horizon [Bardeen *et al.* 1973], we have proven a zeroth law for the *perturbed* event horizon

## Angular velocity vs black hole spin

[Gralla & Le Tiec 2013]



# Surface gravity vs black hole spin

[Gralla & Le Tiec 2013]



#### First law for a black hole with moon

[Gralla & Le Tiec 2013]

 Adapting [lyer & Wald 1994] to non-vacuum perturbations of non-stationary spacetimes we find (with Q<sub>ab</sub> ≡ −ε<sub>abcd</sub>∇<sup>c</sup>k<sup>d</sup>)

$$\int_{\partial \Sigma} (\delta Q_{ab} - \Theta_{abc} k^c) = 2 \, \delta \int_{\Sigma} \varepsilon_{abcd} G^{de} k_e - \int_{\Sigma} \varepsilon_{abcd} k^d G^{ef} \delta g_{ef}$$

 Applied to nearby BH with moon spacetimes, this gives the first law

$$\delta M_{\rm B} = \frac{\Omega}{\delta} \delta J + \frac{\kappa}{8\pi} \, \delta A + z \, \delta m$$

• Features variations of the Bondi mass and angular momentum



#### Binding energy vs angular momentum

[Le Tiec, Barausse & Buonanno 2012]



#### Perturbation theory for comparable masses

[van de Meent & Pfeiffer 2020]



# Why does BHPT perform so well?

In perturbation theory, one traditionally expands as

$$f(\Omega; m_i) = \sum_{k=0}^{k_{\max}} a_k(m_2 \Omega) q^k$$
 where  $q \equiv m_1/m_2 \in [0, 1]$ 

- However, most physically interesting relationships f(Ω; m<sub>i</sub>) are symmetric under exchange m<sub>1</sub> ↔ m<sub>2</sub>
- Hence, a better-motivated expansion is

$$f(\Omega; m_i) = \sum_{k=0}^{k_{\max}} b_k(m\Omega) \nu^k$$
 where  $\nu \equiv m_1 m_2/m^2 \in [0, 1/4]$ 

• In a PN expansion, we have  $b_n = \mathcal{O}(1/c^{2n}) = n \mathsf{PN} + \cdots$ 

# Why does BHPT perform so well?

In perturbation theory, each surface gravity is expanded as

$$4\mu_1\kappa_1 = a(\mu_2\Omega) + q b(\mu_2\Omega) + \mathcal{O}(q^2)$$
  
$$4\mu_2\kappa_2 = c(\mu_2\Omega) + q d(\mu_2\Omega) + \mathcal{O}(q^2)$$

From the first law we know that the general form is

$$4\mu_i\kappa_i=\sum_{k\geq 0}\nu^k f_k(\mu\Omega)\pm \sqrt{1-4\nu}\sum_{k\geq 0}\nu^k g_k(\mu\Omega)$$

Each surface gravity can thus be rewritten as

$$egin{aligned} 4\mu_i\kappa_i &= A(\mu\Omega)\pm B(\mu\Omega)\,\sqrt{1-4
u}+C(\mu\Omega)\,
u\ \pm D(\mu\Omega)\,
u\sqrt{1-4
u}+\mathcal{O}(
u^2) \end{aligned}$$

• Expand to linear order in q and match  $\rightarrow$  A, B, C, D

# EOB dynamics beyond circular motion



• Conservative EOB dynamics determined by "potentials"

$$A(r) = 1 - 2M/r + \nu a(r) + \cdots$$
$$\bar{D}(r) = 1 + \nu \bar{d}(r) + \cdots$$
$$Q(r) = \nu q(r) p_r^4 + \cdots$$

• Functions a(r),  $\bar{d}(r)$  and q(r) controlled by  $\langle z \rangle_{\mathsf{GSF}}(\Omega_r, \Omega_\phi)$ 

# EOB dynamics beyond circular motion

[Akcay & van de Meent 2016]



# EOB dynamics beyond circular motion

[Akcay & van de Meent 2016]



## EOB dynamics for spinning bodies

[Bini, Damour & Geralico 2016]

