

Gravitational waves.

Linearized vacuum Einstein equations are:

$$\partial^c \partial_c \bar{h}_{ab} = 0 \quad \text{with the gauge condition}$$

$$\partial^a \bar{h}_{ab} = 0.$$

• residual gauge freedom.

Can still transform to a new gauge

$$x^a \rightarrow x^a + \eta^a \quad \text{such that} \quad \partial^a \partial_a \eta_b = 0$$

Gauge functions η_b can be chosen to

$$\text{make} \quad \bar{h} = h = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad h_{0\mu} = 0, \quad \mu = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\bullet \text{ with this } \bar{h}_{ab} = h_{ab} \text{ and } \partial^a \bar{h}_{ab} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$\partial^a h_{ab} = 0. \quad \text{Since } h_{0\mu} = 0 \text{ for } \mu = 1, 2, 3$$

$$\text{this implies } \partial^0 h_{00} = 0$$

time-time

- Thus field equations reduce to

$$\partial^c \partial_c h_{00} = \nabla^2 h_{00} = 0$$

the only well-behaved solutions are

if $h_{00} = 0$.

- So only space-space components of h_{ab} are nonzero and given by:

$$\partial^c \partial_c h_{ab} = 0 \text{ with the soln.}$$

$$h_{ab} = H_{ab} e^{ik_\mu x^\mu} \text{ where } H_{ab} \text{ is}$$

a constant tensor field.

Field equations are

$$\begin{aligned} \partial^c \partial_c h_{ab} &= \partial^c \partial_c (H_{ab} e^{ik_\mu x^\mu}) \\ &= H_{ab} \partial^c (ik_\mu \delta_c^\mu e^{ik_\mu x^\mu}) \end{aligned}$$

$$= H_{ab} i k_c i k \delta^{\mu c} k_\mu$$

$$= -H_{ab} k_c k^c$$

$$= 0 \implies k_c k^c = 0$$

o/z k^a is null vector.

Furthermore, $\partial^a h_{ab} = 0$

$$\implies \partial^a (H_{ab} e^{i k_\mu x^\mu}) = H_{ab} i k_\mu \delta^{\mu a}$$

$$= i k^a H_{ab} = 0$$

Since k^a defines the direction of propagation the above eqn \implies

waves are transverse. In particular,

if $k^a = (k^0, 0, 0, k^z)$ we have

$$k^z H_{zb} = 0 \text{ for all } b.$$

• In Summary: $h = \eta^{ab} h_{ab} = 0$

$h_{0\mu} = 0$ and $h_{z\mu} = 0$ giving:

$$h_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_{xx} & h_{xy} & 0 \\ 0 & h_{xy} - h_{yx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{Transverse} \\ \text{traceless} \\ \text{gauge.} \end{array}$$

• geodesic deviation:

$$\frac{d^2 \xi^\mu}{dt^2} = R_{\nu\alpha\beta}{}^\mu \xi^\nu$$



$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h^\mu{}_\nu}{\partial t^2} \xi^\nu$$

In TT gauge only x and y

components of ξ will be "deformed".

$$\text{So } \frac{d^2 \xi^x}{dt^2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h^x{}_\nu}{\partial t^2} \xi^\nu$$

and $\partial^2 \xi^\nu / dt^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2 h^\nu{}_\nu}{\partial t^2} \xi^\nu$

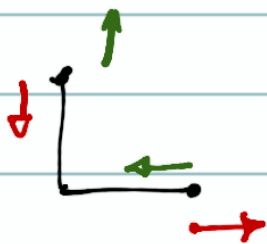
or $\ddot{\xi}^x = \frac{1}{2} (\ddot{h}_{xx} \xi^x + \ddot{h}_{xy} \xi^y)$

$\ddot{\xi}^y = \frac{1}{2} (\ddot{h}_{yx} \xi^x + \ddot{h}_{yy} \xi^y)$.

Let $h_+ \neq 0$, $h_x = 0$. then

$\ddot{\xi}^x = \frac{1}{2} \ddot{h}_{xx} \xi^x$, $\ddot{\xi}^y = -\frac{1}{2} \ddot{h}_{xx} \xi^y$

• The force field is opposite in the two different directions.



• The force is prop. to separation

• This is typical of tidal forces
So GW cause a tidal defor

mation of free test masses.

• This could be used to detect gravitational waves.

Generation of gravitational waves

$$\partial^c \partial_c \bar{h}_{ab} = 8\pi T_{ab}.$$

Young's modulus of spacetime.

$$\gamma = \frac{\text{Stress}}{\text{Strain}} = \frac{|T_{ab}|}{|h|}$$

with c and G

$$\partial^c \partial_c \bar{h}_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ab}$$

$\partial^c \partial_c \bar{h}_{ab} \approx (\omega^2/c^2) \bar{h}_{ab}$ for
a wave of frequency ω

so $\bar{h}_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ab}$

hence $\frac{|T_{ab}|}{|\bar{h}_{ab}|} = \frac{c^2 4\pi^2 f^2}{8\pi G} = \frac{\pi f^2 c^2}{G}$

$\frac{3 \times 10^6 + 9 \times 10^{16}}{6.67 \times 10^{-11}}$

if $f = 10^3 \text{ Hz}$ (LIGO band)

$\gamma_{st} \approx 10^{24} \text{ GPa}$ $\gamma_{\text{steel}} \sim 200 \text{ GPa}$

• what sort of objects can produce large strain amplitudes

• Green's function:

$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(x) = 4 \int_{\mathcal{V}} \frac{T_{\mu\nu}(x')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} r^2 dr d\Omega$$

Since $\partial^a T_{ab} = 0$ we are assured of the gauge condition

to hold good even in the presence of sources. However, we will not impose the radiation gauge conditions in the presence of sources.

- o Assume that the source is localized and slow motion $v \ll 1$. (analogous to dipole approximation in EFM).

$$\text{Let } \tilde{h}(\omega, \vec{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(t, \vec{x}) e^{i\omega t} dt$$

and the same with T_{ab} .

$$\tilde{h}_{\mu\nu}(\omega, \vec{x}) = 4 \int \frac{\tilde{T}_{\mu\nu}(\omega, \vec{x}')}{|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|} e^{i\omega(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')} d^3x'$$

extra factor of $e^{i\omega(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')}$ arises as the integral is over the past light cone.

• Only space-space components

needed since $\frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{0\mu}}{\partial x^\mu} = 0 \Rightarrow$

$$i\omega \tilde{h}_{0\mu} = \sum_{\nu=1}^3 \frac{\partial \tilde{h}_{\nu\mu}}{\partial x^\nu}$$

• In the far zone $R \gg 1/\omega$

so $e^{i\omega(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')}$ varies negligibly

$$\text{so } e^{i\omega(\vec{x} - \vec{x}')}/|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'| \rightarrow \frac{e^{i\omega R}}{R}$$

• Thus inside the integral we have

$$\int \tilde{T}^{\mu\nu} d^3x = \sum_{\alpha=1}^3 \left\{ \int \frac{d}{d\lambda^\alpha} (\tilde{T}^{\alpha\nu} x^\mu) - \right.$$

$$\left. \int \frac{\partial \tilde{T}^{\alpha\nu}}{\partial \lambda^\alpha} x^\mu \right\} d^3x$$

$$= -i\omega \int \tilde{T}^{0\nu} x^\mu d^3x$$

$$= \frac{i\omega}{2} \int (\tilde{T}^{0\nu} x^\mu + \tilde{T}^{0\mu} x^\nu) d^3x$$

...

$$= -\frac{\omega^2}{2} \int \tilde{T}^{00} x^\mu x^\nu d^3x$$

Thus

$$\tilde{h}_{\mu\nu}(\omega, \vec{r}) = -\frac{2\omega^2}{3} \frac{e^{i\omega R}}{R} \tilde{q}_{\mu\nu}(\omega)$$

where \tilde{q} is F.T. of q :

$$q_{\mu\nu} = 3 \int T^{00} x^\mu x^\nu d^3x$$

called the quadrupole moment tensor. Thus

$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu}(t, \vec{x}) = \frac{2}{3R} \frac{d^2 q_{\mu\nu}}{dt^2} \Big|_{\text{ret.}}$$

der. evaluated at retarded time
 $t' = t - R$.

- Conservation of momentum \Rightarrow
no dipole radiation.
- So emission of radiation is
less efficient.

Full nonlinear

* Gravitational radiation from gravitational collapse.

Consider an axisymmetric, non-spherical star. Its principle axes are of size a , b and c . Then first compute the quadrupole tensor assuming the density is const.

$$Q_{ij} = \int \rho x^i x^j d^3x.$$

The equation of the ellipsoid is

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} + \frac{z^2}{c^2} = 1$$

This suggests reparametrization

$$x = a r \sin\theta \cos\phi, \quad y = b r \sin\theta \sin\phi, \quad z = c r \cos\theta$$

This r is not the radial coordinate but a dimensionless variable

The Jacobian of the transformation

is:

$$\vec{r} = \left| \frac{\partial(x, y, z)}{\partial(r, \theta, \phi)} \right|$$

$$= \text{Det} \begin{bmatrix} a \sin \theta \cos \phi & ar \cos \theta \cos \phi & -ar \sin \theta \sin \phi \\ b \sin \theta \sin \phi & br \cos \theta \sin \phi & br \sin \theta \cos \phi \\ c \cos \theta & -cr \sin \theta & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= c \cos \theta (abr^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \cos^2 \phi + abr^2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin^2 \phi) + cr \sin \theta (abr \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \phi + abr \sin^2 \theta \sin^2 \phi)$$

$$= abc \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta r^2 + abc r^2 \sin^3 \theta$$

$$r \in [0, 1] \\ = abc r^2 \sin \theta ; \quad \theta \in [0, \pi], \phi \in [0, \pi]$$

$$\therefore Q_{ij} = \rho \int x^i(r, \theta, \phi) x^j(r, \theta, \phi) abc r^2 \sin \theta \frac{d\theta d\phi}{\cos^2 \phi} dr$$

$$\therefore Q_{xx} = \rho \int a^2 r^2 \sin^2 \theta \frac{abc r^2 \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \phi} dr d\theta d\phi \\ = \frac{\rho a^3 bc}{5} \int \sin^3 \theta [d\theta d\phi] = \frac{4\pi}{15} \rho a^3 bc$$

$$\rho = 3M / 4\pi abc \quad \text{so} \quad \frac{4\pi}{3} abc \rho = M.$$

$$\text{Thus } Q_{xx} = \frac{Ma^2}{5}$$

Similarly, $Q_{yy} = \frac{M b^2}{5}$ and $Q_{zz} = \frac{M c^2}{5}$

Due to the fact \sin and \cos are, respectively, odd and even functions, it turns out that

$$Q_{xy} = Q_{xz} = Q_{yz} = 0. \text{ Thus,}$$

$$Q = \frac{M}{5} \begin{pmatrix} a^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The Moment of Inertia tensor

defined by $I_{ij} = \int \rho (r^2 \delta_{ij} - x_i x_j) d^3x$

is given by

This r is the radial coordinate.

$$I_{ij} = \int r^2 \delta_{ij} d^3x - Q_{ij}$$

So off diagonals are the same

as Q_{ij} (except for a sign) and diagonal ones differ just by the

trace for $r^2 = (x^2 + y^2 + z^2)$, so

$$\int r^2 d^3x = \int (x^2 + y^2 + z^2) d^3x$$

$$= Q_{xx} + Q_{yy} + Q_{zz}.$$

$$\therefore I = -\frac{M}{5} \begin{bmatrix} b^2 + c^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a^2 + c^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a^2 + b^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(This is not trace free).

Let $a=b=R$ so I_3 . τ_{zz} is

$$I_3 = -\frac{2MR^2}{5}$$

$$\text{Let } I_1 = I_2 = I_3 (1 - e^2/2)$$

$$\text{So } -(R^2 + c^2) \frac{M}{5} = -\frac{2MR^2}{5} (1 - \frac{e^2}{2})$$

$$\frac{R^2 + c^2}{R^2} = 2 - e^2 \Rightarrow \frac{c^2}{R^2} = 1 - e^2$$

$$\text{or } e^2 = \left(1 - \frac{c^2}{R^2}\right), \quad e = \sqrt{1 - \frac{c^2}{a^2}}$$

where we wrote $R = a$. ($c > a$
or oblate spheroid).

$$Q_{ij} = \frac{M}{5} \begin{bmatrix} a^2 & & 0 \\ & a^2 & \\ 0 & & c^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \text{Det } Q_{ij} = (2a^2 + c^2) M/5$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 - \frac{1}{3} (2a^2 + c^2) &= a^2 - \frac{2a^2}{3} - \frac{c^2}{3} \\ &= \frac{1}{3} a^2 \left(1 - \frac{c^2}{a^2}\right) = \frac{e^2 a^2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{c^2 - 2a^2 - \frac{c^2}{3}}{3} = -\frac{2a^2}{3} \left(\frac{1-c^2}{a^2} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{2c^2 a^2}{3}$$

$$\text{Thus } \tilde{Q}_{ij} = -\frac{e^2 a^2 M}{35} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Rotate by an angle i about y

axis: then

$$\tilde{Q}'_{ij} = R_{ik} R_{jm} \tilde{Q}_{km}$$

$$= R_{ik} \tilde{Q}_{km} R^T_{mj} = R \tilde{Q} R^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos i & 0 & \sin i \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin i & 0 & \cos i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Q}_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tilde{Q}_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tilde{Q}_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos i & 0 & -\sin i \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \sin i & 0 & \cos i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos i & 0 & \sin i \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sin i & 0 & \cos i \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cos i \tilde{Q}_{xx} & 0 & -\sin i \tilde{Q}_{xx} \\ 0 & \tilde{Q}_{yy} & 0 \\ \sin i \tilde{Q}_{zz} & 0 & \cos i \tilde{Q}_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 i \tilde{Q}_{xx} + \sin^2 i \tilde{Q}_{zz} & 0 & -\cos i \sin i (\tilde{Q}_{xz} - \tilde{Q}_{zz}) \\ 0 & \tilde{Q}_{yy} & 0 \\ -\cos i \sin i (\tilde{Q}_{xz} - \tilde{Q}_{zz}) & 0 & \sin^2 i \tilde{Q}_{xx} + \cos^2 i \tilde{Q}_{zz} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{e^2 M a^2}{15} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \cos^2 i - 2 & 0 & -3 \sin 2i / 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{3 \sin 2i}{2} & 0 & -3 \cos^2 i + 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$3 \cos^2 i - 2 = \frac{3}{2} (\cos 2i + 1) - 2 = \frac{3}{2} \cos 2i - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (3 \cos 2i - 1)$$

$$-3 \cos^2 i + 1 = -\frac{3}{2} (\cos 2i + 1) + 1$$

$$= -\frac{3}{2} \cos 2i - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} (-3 \cos 2i - 1)$$

$$\therefore \tilde{Q}' = \frac{M e^2 a^2}{30} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \cos 2i - 1 & 0 & -3 \sin 2i \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -3 \sin 2i & 0 & -3 \cos 2i - 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Finally,

$$\tilde{Q}_{ij}^{TT} = \left(P_{ik} P_{jl} - \frac{1}{2} P_{ij} P_{kl} \right) \tilde{Q}'_{kl}$$

$$P_{ik} \tilde{Q}'_{kl} P_{jl} = P Q' P^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q'_{xx} & 0 & Q'_{xz} \\ 0 & Q'_{yy} & 0 \\ Q'_{zx} & 0 & Q'_{zz} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q'_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Q'_{yy} & 0 \\ Q'_{zx} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} Q'_{xx} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & Q'_{yy} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P_{kl} \tilde{Q}'_{kl} = Q'_{xx} + Q'_{yy},$$

$$\therefore \tilde{Q}^{TT} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{Q'_{xx} - Q'_{yy}}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{Q'_{xx} + Q'_{yy}}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q'_{xx} - Q'_{yy} = \frac{e^2 M a^2}{30} (3 \cos 2i - 1 - 2)$$

$$= \frac{M e^2 a^2}{30} (\cos 2i - 1) 3$$

$$= \frac{M e^2 a^2}{10} (1 - 2 \sin^2 i - 1)$$

$$= - \frac{M e^2 a^2}{5} \sin^2 i$$

$$\text{So } Q^{TT} = \frac{-M e^2 a^2 \sin^2 i}{10} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$