

113(5): Derivation of the gravitational Red Shift from the Schwarzschild metric

Consider the line element:

$$ds^2 = \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right) c^2 dt^2 - \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d\phi^2 - dz^2 \quad (1)$$

in cylindrical polar coordinates. Rotate it as in paper 110:

$$\phi' = \phi + \omega t \quad (2)$$

so:

$$ds'^2 = \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right) c^2 dt^2 - \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d\phi'^2 - dz^2 \quad (2)$$

where:

$$d\phi' = d\phi + \omega dt \quad (3)$$

$$d\phi'^2 = d\phi^2 + 2\omega d\phi dt + \omega^2 dt^2 \quad (4)$$

Thus:

$$ds'^2 = \left( \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right) c^2 - r^2 \omega^2 \right) dt^2 - \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - 2\omega r^2 d\phi dt - r^2 d\phi^2 - dz^2 \quad (5)$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r} - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right) \left( c^2 dt^2 - 2r^2 \Omega d\phi dt \right) - \left(1 + \frac{\mu}{r}\right)^{-1} dr^2 - r^2 d\phi^2 - dz^2 \quad (6)$$

where

$$v = r\omega \quad (7)$$

As in paper 110 identify:

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$$\Omega = \omega \left( 1 + \frac{\mu}{r} - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1}, \quad - (8)$$

$$d\tau = \left( 1 + \frac{\mu}{r} - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} dt \quad - (9)$$

The change of phase, or precession, upon rotating by  $2\pi$  radians is:

$$\alpha = \Omega d\tau - \omega dt \quad - (10)$$

$$\alpha = 2\pi \left( \left( 1 + \frac{\mu}{r} - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \quad - (11)$$

As

$$v \rightarrow 0 \quad - (12)$$

$$\alpha \rightarrow 2\pi \left( \left( 1 + \frac{\mu}{r} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \quad - (12)$$

For almost all orbits:

$$\mu = - \frac{2mG}{c^2} \quad - (13)$$

$$\text{so: } \alpha = 2\pi \left( \left( 1 - \frac{2mG}{rc^2} \right)^{-1/2} - 1 \right) \quad - (14)$$

The factor in brackets is the gravitational red shift.