

206(5) : First Equation of Motion from Constrained Metric.

Consider the constrained metric:

$$ds^2 = c^2 d\tau^2 = c^2 dt^2 - (x^2 + r^2) d\theta^2 \quad (1)$$

where $x = dr/d\theta$ - (2)

The Lagrangian is: $L = \frac{1}{2} mc^2$ - (3)

and $mc^2 = mc^2 \left(\frac{dt}{d\tau} \right)^2 - m(x^2 + r^2) d\theta^2$ - (4)

The Euler Lagrange equation gives:

$$E = mc^2 \frac{dt}{d\tau}, \quad L = m(x^2 + r^2) \frac{d\theta}{d\tau} \quad (5)$$

where E is the energy and L the angular momentum.

So: $mc^2 = \frac{E^2}{mc^2} - \frac{L^2}{m(x^2 + r^2)}$ - (6)

i.e. $mc^2 = \frac{E^2}{mc^2} - \frac{L^2}{m(r^2 + (\frac{dr}{d\theta})^2)}$ - (7)

Therefore: $\left(\frac{dr}{d\theta} \right)^2 = \frac{L^2}{m^2 \left(\frac{E^2}{mc^2} - mc^2 \right)} - r^2$ - (8)

which gives the equation:

$$\frac{c^2 L^2}{m(E^2 - m^2 c^4)} = r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 \quad - (9)$$

In the limit of free particle motion:

$$\frac{dr}{dt} \rightarrow 0 \quad - (10)$$

and $c^2 L^2 \rightarrow m r^2 (E^2 - m^2 c^4) \quad - (11)$

For a free particle is linear motion:

$$E^2 - m^2 c^4 \rightarrow p^2 c^2 \quad - (12)$$

where p is the relativistic momentum:

$$p = \gamma m v = \gamma m \frac{dr}{dt} \quad - (13)$$

In this case:

$$L^2 \rightarrow m p^2 r^2 \quad - (14)$$

In the limit of angular momentum and linear momentum become non-relativistic, so:

$$L \rightarrow m v r \quad - (15)$$

which is the non-relativistic result self-consistently, QED.

If we consider in eq. (9):

$$E^2 - m^2 c^4 \rightarrow p^2 c^2 \quad - (16)$$

3) then the equation becomes:

$$L^2 \rightarrow m r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 \left(1 + \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 \right) \quad - (17)$$

For an elliptical orbit:

$$r = \frac{d}{1 + e \cos \theta} \quad - (18)$$

then

$$L^2 \rightarrow m r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 \left(1 + \left(\frac{e}{d} \right)^2 r^2 \sin^2 \theta \right) \quad - (19)$$

and for a precessing elliptical orbit:

$$r = \frac{d}{1 + e \cos(x\theta)} \quad - (20)$$

$$L^2 \rightarrow m r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 \left(1 + \left(\frac{x e}{d} \right)^2 r^2 \sin^2 \theta \right) \quad - (21)$$

By definition:

$$c^2 d\tau^2 = c^2 dt^2 - d\underline{r} \cdot d\underline{r} \quad - (22)$$

where

$$d\underline{r} \cdot d\underline{r} = v^2 dt^2 = (x^2 + r^2) d\theta^2 \quad - (23)$$

so

$$c^2 d\tau^2 = (c^2 - v^2) dt^2 \quad - (24)$$

and

$$d\tau^2 = \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2} \right) dt^2 \quad - (25)$$

So:

$$\frac{dt}{d\tau} = \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2} \quad - (26)$$

where:

$$v = (x^2 + r^2)^{1/2} \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad - (27)$$

In classical theory of angular momentum is:

$$L = m(x^2 + r^2) \frac{d\theta}{d\tau} \quad - (28)$$

$$= m(x^2 + r^2) \frac{d\theta}{dt} \frac{dt}{d\tau}$$

From eq. (27):

$$x^2 + r^2 = \frac{v^2}{\omega^2} \quad - (29)$$

where

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt} \quad - (30)$$

is the angular velocity.

So:

$$L = \gamma \frac{mv^2}{\omega} \quad - (31)$$

where

$$\gamma = dt/d\tau, \quad - (32)$$

i.e

$$\boxed{\omega L = \gamma m v^2} \quad - (33)$$

In the limit:

$$v < c \quad - (34)$$

then

$$\omega L = mv^2 \quad - (35)$$

which is the non-relativistic result, QED.

from eq. (28):

$$L = \gamma m \left(r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 \right) \omega \quad - (36)$$

In the limit:

$$\frac{dr}{dt} \rightarrow 0, \quad \gamma \rightarrow 1 \quad - (37)$$

this becomes the Newtonian result:

$$L = mr^2 \omega \quad - (38)$$

Note carefully that in this theory, the angular momentum L is not a constant of motion, because the Lagrangian is defined by eq. (3). It becomes a constant of motion in the Newtonian limit, self consistently.

Conclusion

The constrained metric (1) is rigorously self consistent.