

ISS(14) : Time Delay Calculation for Zero Deflection ($m=0, M=0$)

The basic integral is, in general:

$$t = \frac{1}{c} \int \left(1 - \frac{r_0}{r}\right)^{-1} \left(1 - \left(1 - \frac{r_0}{r}\right) \left(\frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{r^2}\right) b^2\right)^{-1/2} dr \quad - (1)$$

- (2)

When:

$$m=0, M=0$$

there is no deflection, and:

$$t_0 = \frac{1}{c} \int \left(1 - \frac{b^2}{r^2}\right)^{-1/2} dr \quad - (3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{c} (r^2 - b^2)^{1/2}$$

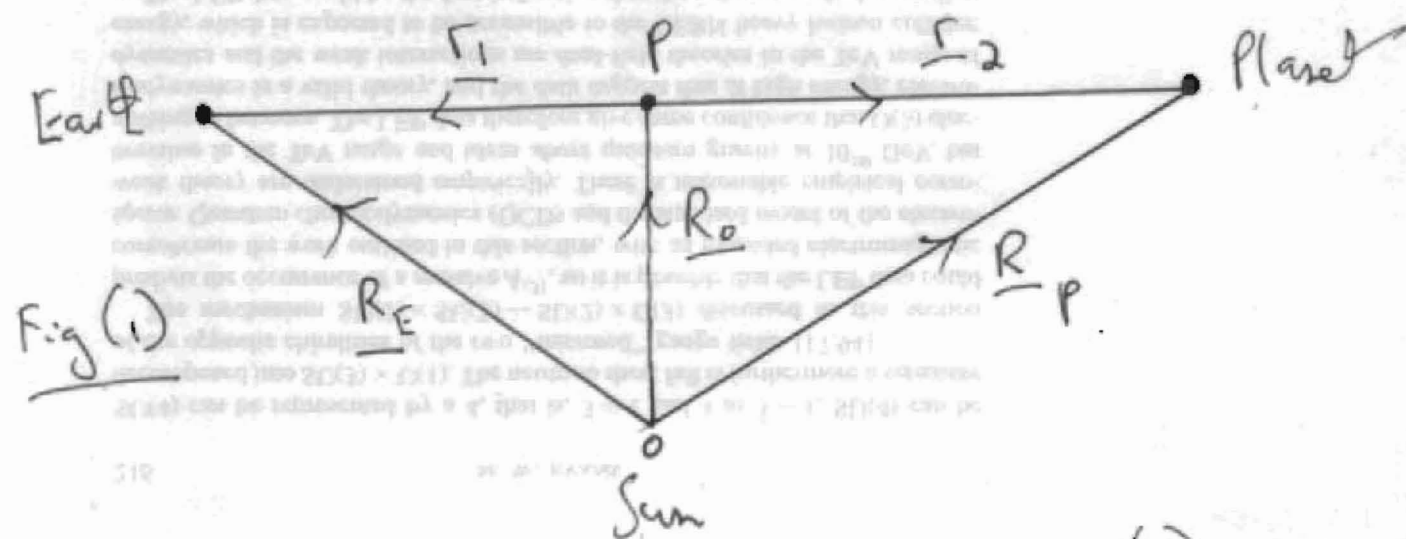


Fig (1)

From Fig (1):

$$R_E = R_0 + r_1 \quad - (4)$$

$$R_P = R_0 + r_2 \quad - (5)$$

$$r_1 = R_E - R_0 \quad - (6)$$

$$r_2 = R_P - R_0 \quad - (7)$$

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Therefore:

$$r_1^2 = R_E^2 - R_0^2 \quad \text{--- (8)}$$

$$r_2^2 = R_P^2 - R_0^2 \quad \text{--- (9)}$$

The time taken to go from Earth to point P

is:

$$t_1 = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^{R_E} \left(1 - \frac{R_0^2}{r^2} \right)^{-1/2} dr$$

$$= \frac{1}{c} (R_E^2 - R_0^2)^{1/2} \quad \text{--- (10)}$$

$$= \frac{r_1}{c}$$

The time taken to go from point P to the planet is:

$$t_2 = \frac{1}{c} \int_0^{R_P} \left(1 - \frac{R_0^2}{r^2} \right)^{-1/2} dr$$

$$= \frac{1}{c} (R_P^2 - R_0^2)^{1/2} \quad \text{--- (11)}$$

$$= \frac{r_2}{c}$$

The time taken to go from Earth to planet is:

$$t_0 = t_1 + t_2 = \frac{1}{c} (r_1 + r_2) \quad \text{--- (12)}$$

The return trip takes twice as long, i.e. $2t_0$.

Therefore b is R_0 .