

325(4): Einsteinian orbit by Numerical Integration

The Hamiltonian is:

$$H = E = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{r}^2 + \dot{\theta}^2 r^2) + U \quad - (1)$$

where

$$U = -\frac{k}{r} \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{m^2 c^2 r^2} \right) \quad - (2)$$

Here

$$L = m r^2 \dot{\theta} \quad - (3)$$

and

$$k = m M G \quad - (4)$$

Make the change of variable:

$$\dot{r} = -\frac{L}{m} \frac{du}{d\theta} \quad - (5)$$

where

$$u = \frac{1}{r} \quad - (6)$$

- (7)

Therefore:

$$H = E = \frac{1}{2} \frac{L^2}{m} \left( \frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 + \frac{L^2 u^2}{2m} - k u \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{m^2 c^2} u^2 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i.e. } \frac{2m}{L^2} H &= \left( \frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 + u^2 - \frac{2km}{L^2} u \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{m^2 c^2} u^2 \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 + u^2 - \frac{2u}{d} \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{m^2 c^2} u^2 \right) \quad - (8) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left( \frac{du}{d\theta} \right)^2 = \frac{2m}{L^2} H - u^2 - \frac{2u}{d} \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{m^2 c^2} u^2 \right) \quad - (9)$$

1) So

$$\theta = \int \left( \frac{2mH}{L^2} - u^2 + \frac{2u}{d} \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{m^2 c^2} u^2 \right) \right)^{-1/2} du \quad (10)$$

The Newtonian integral is :

$$\theta = \int \left( \frac{2mH}{L^2} - u^2 + \frac{2u}{d} \right)^{-1/2} du \quad (11)$$

and gives the result :

$$u = \frac{1}{d} (1 + \epsilon \cos \theta) \quad (12)$$

where

$$d = \frac{L^2}{m^2 m_0} \quad \text{and} \quad \epsilon = \left( 1 \pm \frac{2HL^2}{m^2 k^2} \right)^{1/2} \quad (13)$$

Eq. (10) can be written as :

$$\theta = \int \left( N(u) + r_0 u^3 \right)^{-1/2} du \quad (14)$$

where

$$N(u) = \frac{2mH}{L^2} - u^2 + \frac{2u}{d} \quad (15)$$

The integral (10) can be written as :

$$3) \quad \theta = \int \left( \frac{2mH}{L^2} - u^2 + \frac{2u}{d} + r_0 u^3 \right)^{-1/2} du \quad - (16)$$

$$= \int \left( \frac{2mH}{L^2} \left( 1 - \frac{L^2}{2mH} \left( \frac{2u}{d} - u^2 + r_0 u^3 \right) \right) \right)^{-1/2} du$$

$$\text{If } \frac{2u}{d} - u^2 + r_0 u^3 \ll \frac{L^2}{2mH} \quad - (17)$$

then :

$$\theta \sim \left( \frac{L^2}{2mH} \right)^{1/2} \int \left( 1 + \frac{L^2}{4mH} \left( \frac{2u}{d} - u^2 + r_0 u^3 \right) \right) du \quad - (18)$$

The Einsteinian effect in this limit is :

$$\Delta\theta \sim \left( \frac{L^2}{2mH} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{L^2}{4mH} \right) r_0 \int u^3 du \quad - (19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{L^2}{2mH} \right)^{3/2} \cdot \frac{2mG}{c^2} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{u^4}{4} \quad - (20) \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \left( \frac{L^2}{2mH} \right)^{3/2} \left( \frac{2mG}{c^2} \right) \frac{1}{r^4} \end{aligned}$$

4)

Now use:

$$\frac{L^2}{2mE} = \frac{d^2}{1-e^2} \quad - (21)$$

for an ellipse, and at perihelion:

$$r = \frac{d}{1+e} \quad - (22)$$

and

$$r = a(1-e) \quad - (23)$$

so

$$\Delta\theta = \frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{2mG}{c^2 a} \frac{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}{(1-e)^4} \quad - (24)$$

This is not however the experimental result. This brings into question the validity of the Einstein theory.

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