

+15(2): The Orbital Equations in n Space

Consider the infinitesimal line element of n space:

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 = c^2 m(r) dt^2 - \frac{dr^2}{m(r)} - r^2 d\phi^2 \quad (1)$$

in plane polar coordinates (r, ϕ) . The n space is defined as the most general spherically symmetric space. In general, m is a function of both r and t , but for simplicity it is defined as a function of r . Eq (1) can be written as:

$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 = (c^2 - v_N^2) dt'^2 \quad (2)$$

where

$$v_N^2 dt'^2 = \frac{dr^2}{m(r)} + r^2 d\phi^2 \quad (3)$$

so

$$v_N^2 = \frac{1}{m(r)} \left(\frac{dr}{dt'} \right)^2 + r^2 \left(\frac{d\phi}{dt'} \right)^2 \quad (4)$$

in which:

$$\frac{dr}{dt'} = \frac{dr}{dt} \frac{dt}{dt'} = \frac{1}{m^{1/2}(r)} \frac{dr}{dt} \quad (5)$$

and

$$\frac{d\phi}{dt'} = \frac{d\phi}{dt} \frac{dt}{dt'} = \frac{1}{m^{1/2}(r)} \frac{d\phi}{dt} \quad (6)$$

so

$$v_N^2 = \frac{1}{m^2(r)} \left(\frac{dr}{dt} \right)^2 + \frac{r^2}{m(r)} \left(\frac{d\phi}{dt} \right)^2 \quad (7)$$

is the square of the Newtonian velocity in n space.

The transformation to n space is therefore defined:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} r &\rightarrow \frac{1}{m^{1/2}} r, & \phi &\rightarrow \frac{1}{m^{1/2}} \phi, \\ \ddot{r} &\rightarrow \frac{1}{m^{1/2}} \ddot{r}, & \ddot{\phi} &\rightarrow \frac{1}{m^{1/2}} \ddot{\phi} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (8)$$

The relativistic kinematics of n space are now developed by modifying the results of Note 414(4) with the transformations (8). The velocity in n space is the relativistic velocity:

$$\underline{v} = \gamma \underline{\dot{r}} \quad (9)$$

$$\gamma = \left(1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}\right)^{-1/2} \quad (10)$$

$$v^2 = \frac{1}{m^2(r)} \dot{r}^2 + \frac{r^2}{m(r)} \dot{\phi}^2 \quad (11)$$

The relativistic acceleration is:

$$\underline{a} = \underline{\ddot{r}} = \frac{d\underline{v}}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(\gamma \underline{\dot{r}}) \quad (12)$$

$$= \frac{d\gamma}{dt} \underline{\dot{r}} + \gamma \underline{\ddot{r}}$$

Here,
$$\underline{\dot{r}} = \dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi \quad (13)$$

$$= \dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \frac{d\underline{e}_r}{dt}$$

in the line element
$$ds^2 = c^2 dt^2 = c^2 dt^2 - dr^2 - r^2 d\phi^2 \quad (14)$$

and using eq. (8):
$$\underline{\dot{r}} = \frac{1}{m^{1/2}(r)} (\dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi) \quad (15)$$

in the line element (1) of a heavy body. Similarly:

$$\underline{\ddot{r}} = \gamma \left(\left(\frac{\ddot{r}}{m^{1/2}(r)} - \frac{r \dot{\phi}^2}{m(r)} \right) \underline{e}_r + \left(\frac{r \ddot{\phi}}{m^{1/2}(r)} + \frac{2 \dot{r} \dot{\phi}}{m(r)} \right) \underline{e}_\phi \right) \quad (16)$$

in m space. So the orbital equation in n space is

$$\frac{dY}{dt} = \frac{1}{m(r)^{1/2}} \left(\dot{r} \underline{e}_r + r \dot{\phi} \underline{e}_\phi \right) \frac{dY}{dt} + \gamma \left(\left(\frac{\ddot{r}}{m(r)^{1/2}} - \frac{r \ddot{\phi}^2}{m(r)} \right) \underline{e}_r + \left(\frac{r \ddot{\phi}}{m(r)^{1/2}} + \frac{2 \dot{r} \dot{\phi}}{m(r)} \right) \underline{e}_\phi \right) = - \frac{m\gamma}{r^2} \underline{e}_r \quad (17)$$

The orbit in m space is therefore given by simultaneous solution of:

$$\frac{1}{m(r)^{1/2}} \frac{dY}{dt} \dot{r} + \gamma \left(\frac{\ddot{r}}{m(r)^{1/2}} - \frac{r \ddot{\phi}^2}{m(r)} \right) = - \frac{m\gamma}{r^2} \quad (18)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{m(r)^{1/2}} r \dot{\phi} \frac{dY}{dt} + \gamma \left(\frac{r \ddot{\phi}}{m(r)^{1/2}} + \frac{2 \dot{r} \dot{\phi}}{m(r)} \right) = 0 \quad (19)$$

and Eq. (19) is the Leibniz equation in n space is the conservation of angular momentum in

n space.

Eq. (19) is

$$r \dot{\phi} \frac{dY}{dt} + \gamma \left(r \ddot{\phi} + \frac{2 \dot{r} \dot{\phi}}{m^{1/2}(r)} \right) = 0 \quad (20)$$

The relativistic angular momentum of n theory is:

$$L = \frac{\gamma}{m(r)^{1/2}} m r^2 \dot{\phi} \quad (21)$$

†) This is a constant of motion, so:

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = 0 \quad - (22)$$

From eqs. (21) and (22):

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = \frac{m r^2 \dot{\phi}}{m(r)^{1/2}} \frac{d\chi}{dt} + \gamma m \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{r^2 \dot{\phi}}{m(r)^{1/2}} \right) = 0 \quad - (23)$$

Since $m(r)$ does not depend on time, eq. (23) is:

$$\frac{m r^2 \dot{\phi}}{m(r)^{1/2}} \frac{d\chi}{dt} + \frac{\gamma m}{m(r)^{1/2}} \frac{d}{dt} (r^2 \dot{\phi}) = 0$$

i. e.
$$r^2 \dot{\phi} \frac{d\chi}{dt} + \gamma \frac{d}{dt} (r^2 \dot{\phi}) = 0 \quad - (24)$$

and
$$r \dot{\phi} \frac{d\chi}{dt} + \gamma \left(2 \frac{\dot{r}}{m(r)^{1/2}} \dot{\phi} + r \ddot{\phi} \right) = 0$$

which is eq. (20), Q.E.D. In deriving eq. (24) we have used:

$$\dot{r} \rightarrow \frac{\dot{r}}{m(r)^{1/2}} \quad - (25)$$

note carefully that
$$\dot{\phi} \rightarrow \frac{\dot{\phi}}{m(r)^{1/2}} \quad - (26)$$

as already been used to derive eq. (23).

The derivation of the n space relativistic angular momentum of eq. (21) can be checked using the Lagrangian method:

$$L = -\frac{mc^2}{\gamma} + \frac{mMGr}{r} \quad - (27)$$

$$= -mc^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{c^2 m(r)^{1/2}} \left(\frac{\dot{r}}{m(r)^{1/2}} + r^2 \dot{\phi}^2 \right) \right)^{1/2} + \frac{mMGr}{r}$$

nd the Euler Lagrange equations:

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial r} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{r}} \quad - (28)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} = \frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} \quad - (29)$$

From eqs. (27) and (29):

$$L = \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = \frac{\gamma}{m(r)^{1/2}} m r^2 \dot{\phi} \quad - (30)$$

which is eq. (21), Q.E.D. From eq. (29)

$$\frac{dL}{dt} = 0 \quad - (31)$$

Q.E.D.

The orbit of m (they is obtained by solving eqs. (18) and (19) simultaneously for a given $m(r)$.
