

Freely Falling bodies in Standing Wave spacetime*

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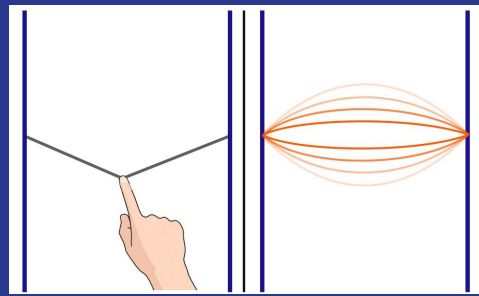
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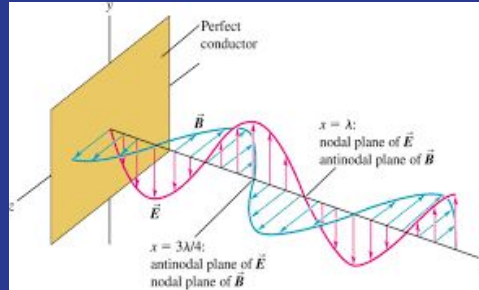
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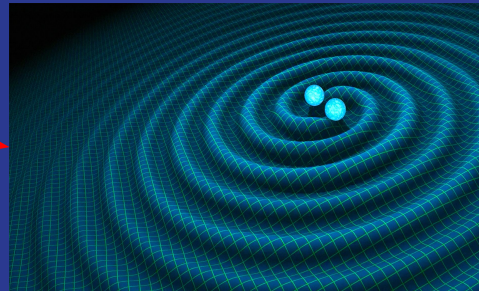
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Standing
Mechanical
Wave



Standing
Electromagnetic
Wave

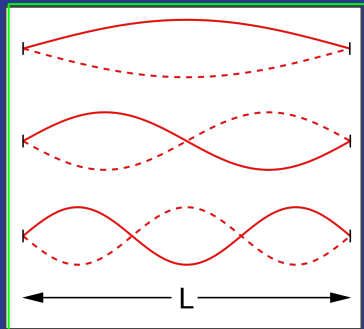


Standing
Gravitational
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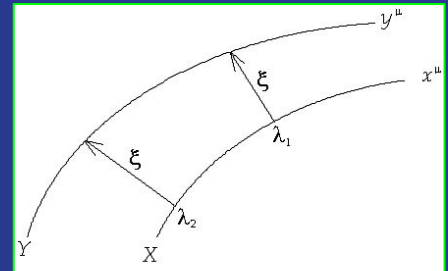


Outline:

- Linearised Gravity and GW Memory
- Gravitational Waves as Exact Solutions
- What are Standing Gravitational Waves?
- How do freely-falling observers behave in a standing wave spacetime?



Standing GWs ???



Basic Review of GWs - Linearized Regime

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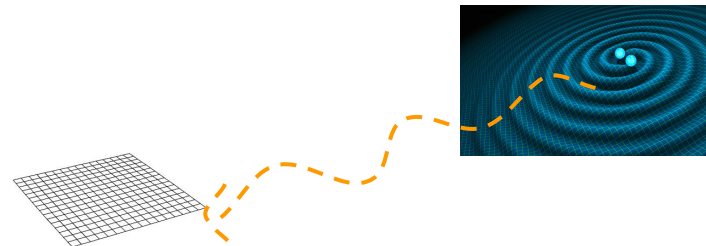
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Metric :

$$ds^2 = g_{\alpha\beta}(x) dx^\alpha dx^\beta$$

- Metric perturbations

$$g_{\alpha\beta}(x) = \eta_{\alpha\beta} + h_{\alpha\beta}(x)$$



$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} R g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$

- Linearised EFE far from source:

$$\square h_{\alpha\beta}(x) = 0,$$

- Plane Wave soln :

$$\tilde{h}^{\mu\nu} = A^{\mu\nu} e^{ik_\alpha x^\alpha} \quad A^{\mu\nu} = h_+ \epsilon_+^{\mu\nu} + h_\times \epsilon_\times^{\mu\nu}$$

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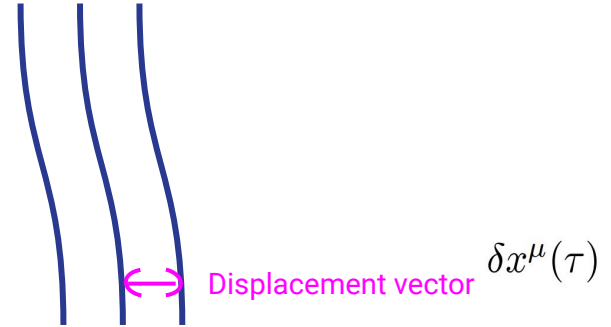
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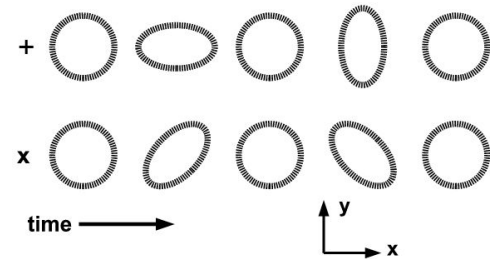


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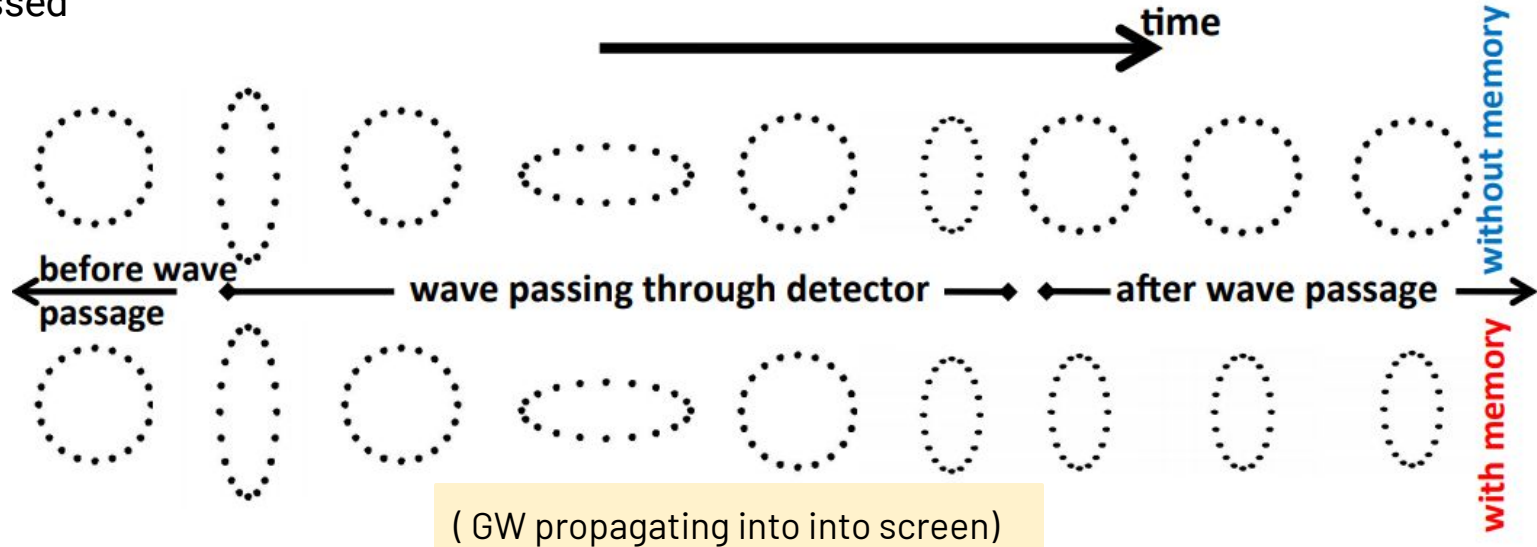
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$$h \approx \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$



Ripples of spacetime leave behind 'Memories'

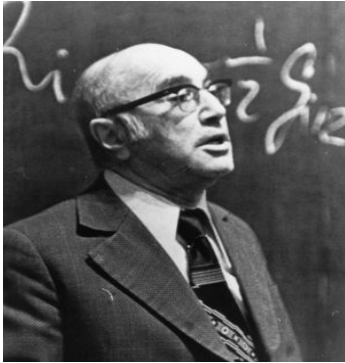
GW Memory Effect : permanent change in the configuration of spacetime after a GW has passed



- Permanent change in displacement or velocity of particles
- size of the memory is one order of magnitude smaller than that of the oscillatory waveform*

*A Study of Gravitational Wave Memory and Its Detectability With LIGO Using Bayesian Inference, Jillian Doane, Alan Weinstein

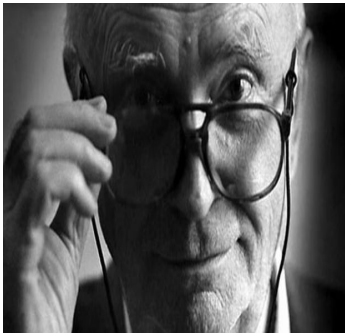
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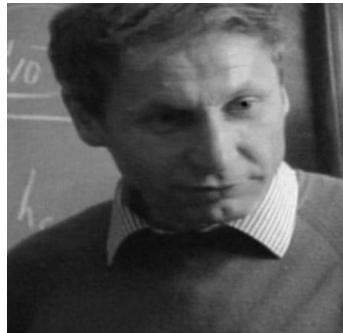
Zeldovich



Polnarev



Braginsky



Grishchuk

Linear Memory

- ★ **Two Types:** Displacement and velocity
- ★ change in the value of quadrupole moment

$$h_{jk}^{\text{TT}}(t, r) = \frac{2G}{c^4 r} \cdot \left[\frac{d^2}{dt^2} Q_{jk}^{\text{TT}} \left(t - \frac{r}{c} \right) \right]$$

Reduced quadrupole moment

How they occur ?

- Hyperbolic orbits
- Asymmetric supernovae explosion
- GRB

Ripples leave behind :



Christodoulou



Blanchet



Damour

Nonlinear Memory

- ★ due to change in the mass of a binary caused by the emission of GWs
- ★ GWs produced by GWs

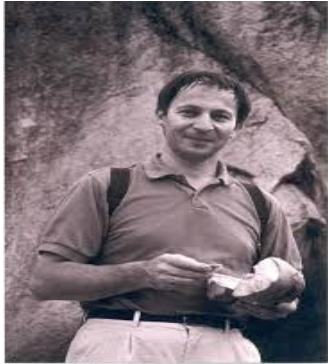
Full nonlinear theory :

-> time-integral has the entire past history of the source

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PN approximation : nonlinear hereditary effects in the generation of gravitational radiation

-> stress-energy distribution of gravitational waves -> 'memory effect'



Exact plane wave spacetimes

pp-wave spacetimes

exact solutions of Einstein's field equation

model radiation moving at the speed of light



Ehlers



Kundt

Brinkmann Coordinates : 1925

$$ds^2 = H(u, x, y)du^2 + 2dudv + dx^2 + dy^2$$

A special case : Plane Wave spacetimes

Easy to interpret : (i) coordinate free definition,
(ii) NP tetrad \rightarrow null dust solutions

Memory in Exact plane wave spacetimes

Zhang, Duval, Gibbons : 'The Memory Effect for Plane Gravitational Waves'

Plane Gravitational waves
Brinkmann coordinates

$$g = \delta_{ij} dX^i dX^j + 2dU dV + K_{ij}(U) X^i X^j dU^2$$

Profile of wave

$$K_{ij}(U) X^i X^j = \frac{1}{2} \mathcal{A}(U) \left((X^1)^2 - (X^2)^2 \right)$$

Wave produced by
gravitational collapse
modelled as
sandwich wave,

$$\mathcal{A}(U) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^3(e^{-U^2})}{dU^3}$$

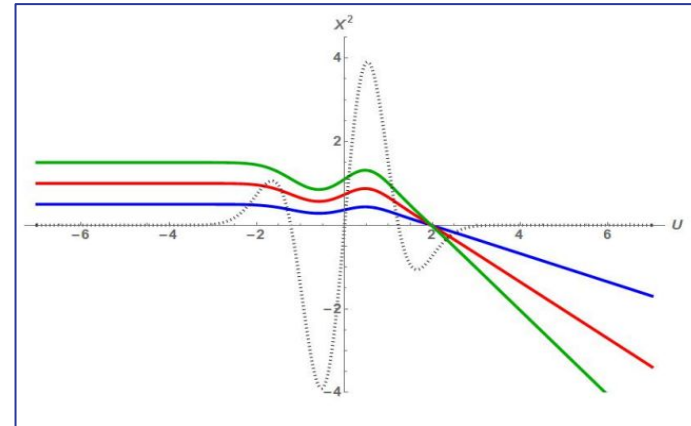
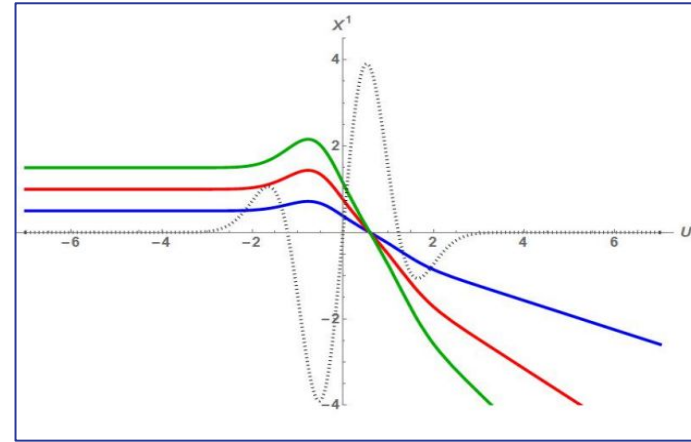
$$\frac{d^2 \mathbf{X}}{dU^2} - \frac{1}{2} \text{diag}(\mathcal{A}, -\mathcal{A}) \mathbf{X} = 0$$

Geodesics in Brinkmann coordinates for particles initially at rest

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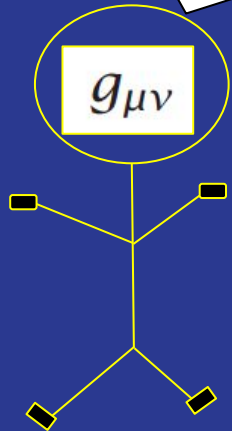
They found that test particles initially at rest move, after the wave has passed, with constant but non-zero relative velocity

=>velocity memory effect



Exact solutions having SGWs...

**Are there standing gravitational wave solutions of vacuum Einstein's equations?*



➤ **#Bondi** - Studied GWs of unsymmetric body rotating about z-axis



➤ **Issue** - If nonlinearities are taken into account, the lack of superposition principle complicates studies.

❖ ***Stephani** - Look for exact solutions with :

(i) constitutive parts of the metric functions to depend on the timelike coordinate only through a periodic factor, and they should also depend on spacelike coordinates.

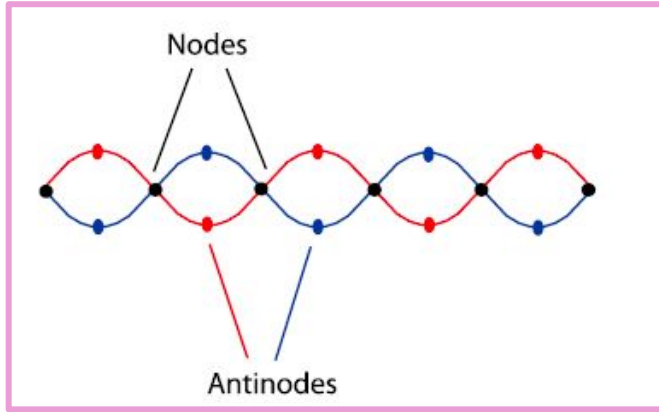
(ii) analogue of the Poynting vector (if there is any) should be divergence-free

❖ **Issue** - Method is not covariant

#H. Bondi. Gravitational waves in general relativity XVI. Standing waves.

*H. Stephani. Some remarks on standing gravitational waves.

How to define Standing GWs?



- Standing Wave may imply => alternating energy flow through the nodes which averages to zero
- ! Energy of GWs cannot be localised, need a covariant averaging procedure
- It can work* in the high frequency limit which captures the dominant contribution to the average energy flow

A spacetime (M,g) contains standing GWs if *

i) it belongs to a one-parameter family of spacetimes $(M, g(\lambda))$ satisfying the Green-Wald assumptions

ii) the Ricci tensor of the background metric is of a Serge type .

*Standing waves in general relativity : Sebastian J. Szybka and Adam Cieřlik.

Standing Grav. Wave Solution*

- analyze and admit arbitrary wavelength gravitational waves in expanding universe

*#Metric

$$\hat{g} = e^f (-dt^2 + dz^2) + t(e^p dx^2 + e^{-p} dy^2)$$

where $0 \leq z < 2\pi$, $t > 0$ (t is a cosmic time function), $0 \leq x, y < 2\pi$, $f = f(t, z)$ and $p = p(t, z)$. The particular solution we are interested in is given by

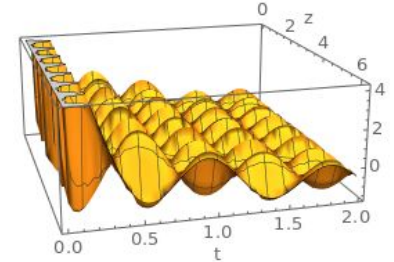
After solving Einstein Field Eqn.

$$p = -\ln t + 2\beta\sqrt{\lambda}J_0\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)\sin\left(\frac{z}{\lambda}\right);,$$

$$f = \frac{\beta^2}{\lambda}t^2 \left[J_0^2\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) + J_1^2\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) - 2\frac{\lambda}{t}J_0\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)J_1\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)\sin^2\left(\frac{z}{\lambda}\right) \right]$$

$$-2\beta\sqrt{\lambda}J_0\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right)\sin\left(\frac{z}{\lambda}\right),$$

Parameters ~ amplitude of Grav. Waves
~no. of waves



*Standing waves in general relativity, Sebastian J. Szybka and Adam Cieřlik(2019).

*#Backreaction for Einstein-Rosen waves coupled to a massless scalar field, Sebastian J. Szybka, Michał J. Wyrębowski(2016).

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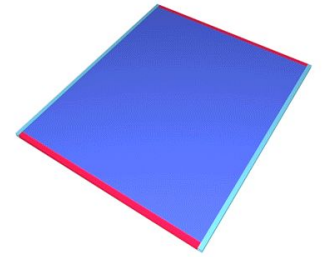
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Topology of our spacetime : “Donut”

This solution is T^3 Gowdy Model(polarised 3-torus)*

- Amplitude of wave decreases as the universe expands
- Geodesic Eqn has **stationary solutions to antinodes** + at antinodes we study behavior of freely-falling bodies

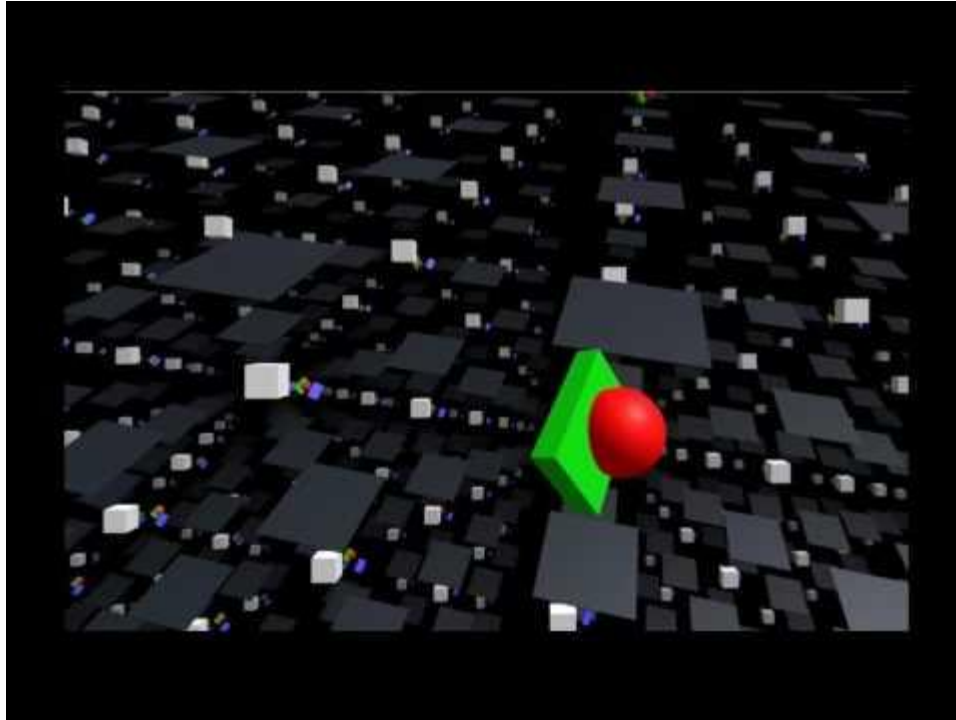
2-torus



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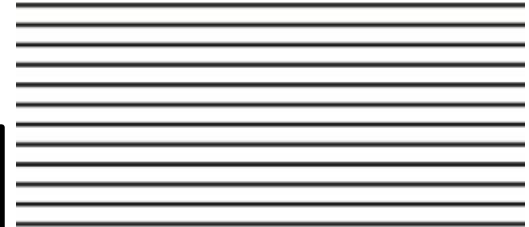
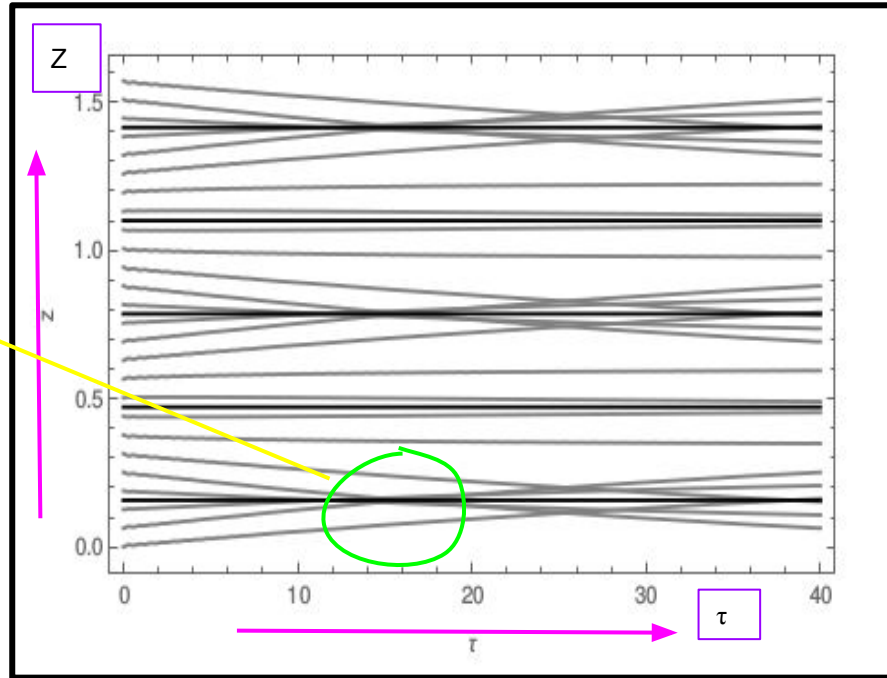
*Robert H. Gowdy, “Of gravitational waves and spherical chickens” in: Einstein Online Band 03 (2007), 03-1008

Visualizing 3-torus

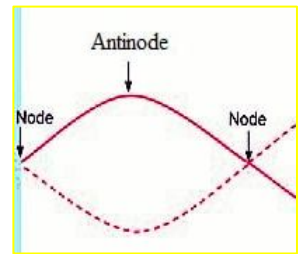


Prototype of a VR experience under development which allows the user to play a game of "catch" in various multiply-connected spaces. In this case, the player is in the 3-dimensional torus. Created with Unity 3D; running on Oculus Rift HMD with Touch controllers. :Horalia Armas , Brandon Reichman ,Hai Tran,David Dumas

Trajectories of Test Particles - Geodesic Eqn.



Wave is 'z' direction from bottom to up

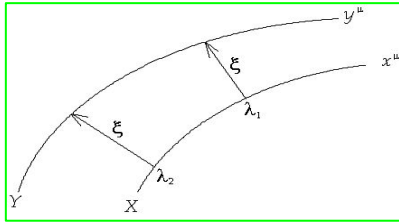


Particles attracted at antinodes

Figure : Geodesic equation for 'z' vs proper time τ , Here $\lambda=1/10$, $\beta=0.2$

Geo. Eqn has stationary soln. at antinodes & we studied the motion of of freely-falling bodies at antinodes

X,Y,Z components of Geodesic Deviation Eqn.



Freely-falling frame

$$\frac{d^2 \xi^{\hat{\alpha}}}{d\tau^2} = -R^{\hat{\alpha}}_{\hat{0}\hat{\beta}\hat{0}} \xi^{\hat{\beta}}$$

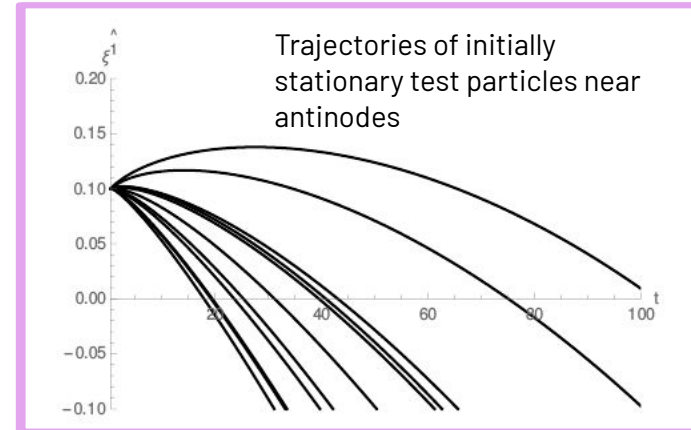
Eqn.s decouple => the motion of test particles in transverse and longitudinal directions

$$\frac{d^2 \xi^{\hat{1}}}{dt^2} - \frac{1}{2} f_{,t} \frac{d\xi^{\hat{1}}}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} (f_{,tt} - f_{,zz}) \xi^{\hat{1}} = -\frac{\beta}{\lambda t} J_1\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) \left[\sqrt{\lambda} + t\beta J_1\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) \right] \xi^{\hat{1}}$$

Deviation in 'Z'

Deviation in 'X' and 'Y'

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 \xi^{\hat{2}}}{dt^2} - \frac{1}{2} f_{,t} \frac{d\xi^{\hat{2}}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{4t} [f_{,t} + (p_{,t}(2 - tf_{,t}) + 2t p_{,tt})] \xi^{\hat{2}} \\ &= -\frac{\beta}{\lambda^{3/2}} \left[J_0\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) - \frac{\lambda^2}{4\beta^2 t} J_1^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) f_{,t}^2 \right] \xi^{\hat{2}} \\ \frac{d^2 \xi^{\hat{3}}}{dt^2} - \frac{1}{2} f_{,t} \frac{d\xi^{\hat{3}}}{dt} &= \frac{1}{4t} [f_{,t} - (p_{,t}(2 - tf_{,t}) + 2t p_{,tt})] \xi^{\hat{3}} \\ &= \frac{\beta}{\lambda^{3/2}} \left[J_0\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) - \frac{\lambda}{2} J_1\left(\frac{t}{\lambda}\right) f_{,t} \right] \xi^{\hat{3}}, \end{aligned}$$

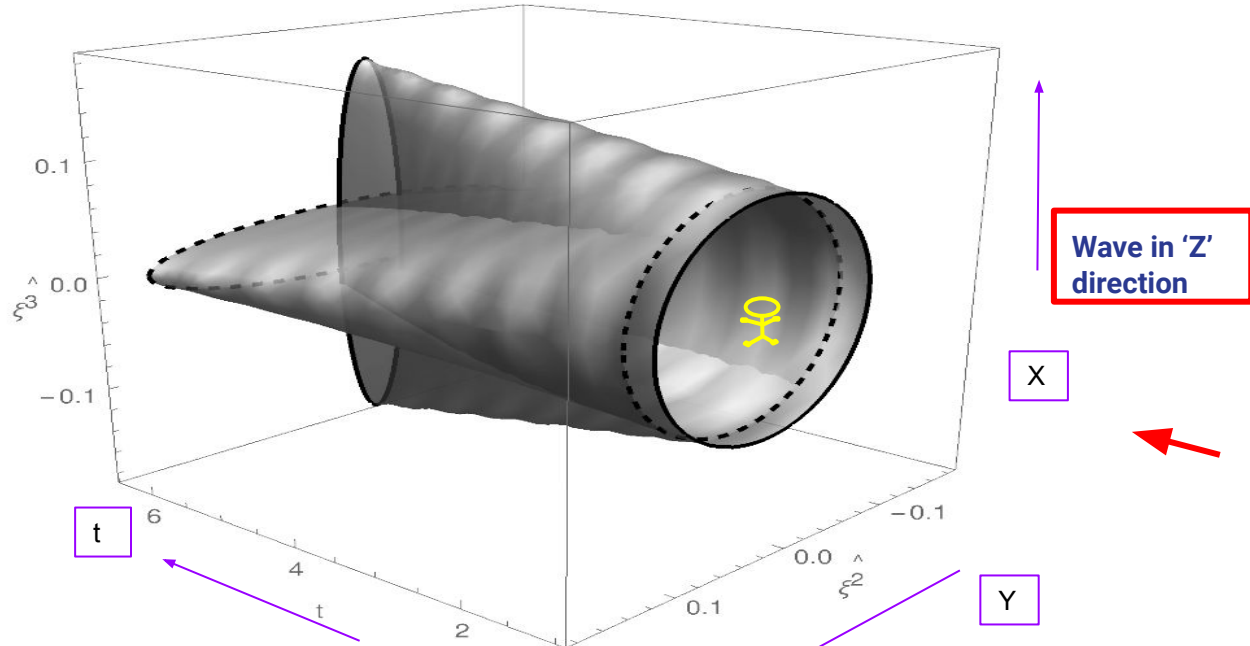
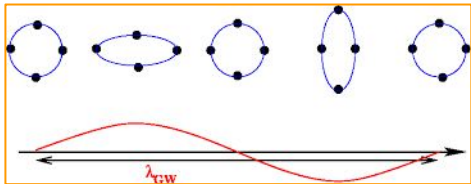


Freely-falling bodies – Geodesic Deviation Eqn in X and Y

-two rings (solid and dashed) of particles initially at rest ,later permanently deformed into an ellipse

-the shift in the initial conditions alters a long-range behavior of trajectories and reveals the 'plus' polarization of gravitational waves.

Usual GW Picture :

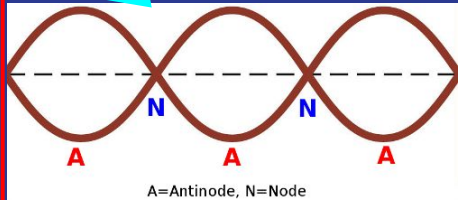


Permanent change : GW Memory

Figure : Tissot plot showing how a ring of test particles will behave for waves for slightly different initial conditions. Here $\lambda=1/10$, $\beta=0.2$

Frame Fields : Mathematical technique to investigate spacetimes

We evaluated the Geodesic Deviation Eqn in an **Orthonormal frame**



Correspond to a family of ideal observers immersed in the given spacetime

Newman-Penrose formalism

- Work with Null-Tetrad,
- Formalism well suited for studying how radiation propagates in curved spacetime

Weyl Scalars

$$\{\Psi_0, \Psi_1, \Psi_2, \Psi_3, \Psi_4\}$$

Physical Interpretation : Szekeres (1965) gave an interpretation of the different Weyl scalars at large distances:

Ψ_2 is a "Coulomb" term,

Ψ_1 & Ψ_3 are ingoing and outgoing "longitudinal" radiation terms;

Ψ_0 & Ψ_4 are ingoing and outgoing "transverse" radiation terms.

Newman-Penrose formalism for our spacetime

Our standing gravitational waves studied in this paper may be thought of as a **non-trivial superposition of two waves moving in the opposite spatial directions**.

$$\hat{g} = e^f(-dt^2 + dz^2) + t(e^p dx^2 + e^{-p} dy^2)$$

Hence to analyse our GWs we decompose the Weyl tensor into NP tetrad components.

$$\psi_2 \neq 0$$

Coulomb part

$$\psi_1 = \psi_3 = 0$$

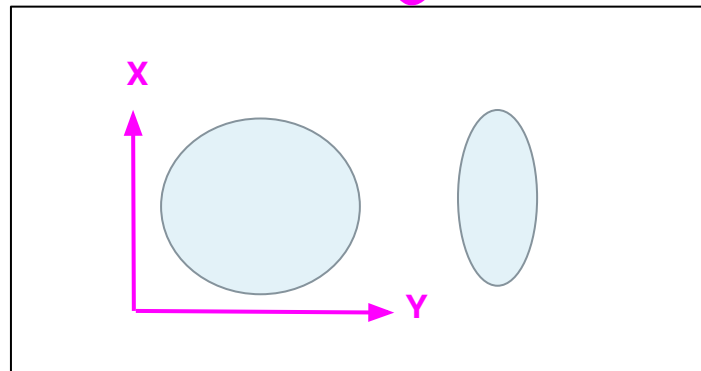
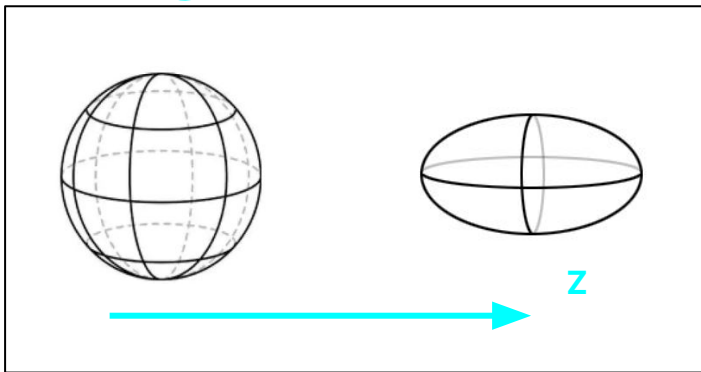
Longitudinal effects

$$\psi_0, \psi_4 \neq 0$$

Transverse effects

Weyl Scalars

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Conclusion

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Motivation

What are Standing Gravitational waves?

Behaviors of test particles in
such a spacetime

- ❖ Analyzed the **Geodesic Equation** => **Particles are attracted to antinodes**
- ❖ Analyzed the **Geodesic Deviation Eqn** => permanent deformation of ring of test particles (**velocity memory effect**)
- ❖ Standing Grav. Waves induce additional effect : **Longitudinal effect** is due to Coulomb part of Weyl

Future Work : EM standing waves coupled to gravity???

- ★ Some Trivia - Grishchuk & Sazhin(1975)* : - toroidal electromagnetic resonator with alternating current
Interference of radiated GWs => Standing GW

*Excitation and detection of standing gravitational waves L. P. Grishchuk and M. V. Sazhin