

Post-Newtonian Gravitational Waves with cosmological constant Λ derived from Einstein-Hilbert theory

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Preambles of the Post-Newtonian approximation

- This is a method to consists to find an approximate solution of the field equations from some action whose dynamics variable is the metric.
- It consists in expand the components of the metric in small parameters that depends of factors of v/c .
- Metric expansion

$$\begin{aligned} g_{00} &= -1 + {}^{(2)}g_{00} + {}^{(4)}g_{00} + \dots \\ g_{0i} &= 0 + {}^{(3)}g_{0i} + {}^{(5)}g_{0i} + \dots \\ g_{ij} &= \delta_{ij} + {}^{(2)}g_{ij} + {}^{(4)}g_{ij} + \dots \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- The parameters of the components of the metric will be fixed through the field equations.

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

Relaxed Einstein field equations

- The gothic metric is introduced (densitized) as $\mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} := \sqrt{-g}g^{\mu\nu}$.
- The metric is expanded as follows: $\mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} + h^{\mu\nu}$.
- Making use of the Harmonic gauge $\partial_\mu \mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} = 0$, we obtain the relaxed Einstein field equations

$$\square h^{\mu\nu} = \frac{16\pi G}{c^4} \mu^{\mu\nu}, \quad (3)$$

$$\mu^{\mu\nu} = (-g)T^{\mu\nu} + \frac{c^4}{16\pi G} \Lambda_{\text{GR}}^{\mu\nu} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_{\text{GR}}^{\alpha\beta} &= \frac{16\pi G}{c^4} (-g)t_{LL}^{\alpha\beta} - 2\Lambda \mathfrak{g}^{-1/2} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta} \\ &\quad + \partial_\mu h^{\alpha\mu} \partial_\nu h^{\beta\nu} - h^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \partial_\nu h^{\alpha\beta}. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Wave form at 1PN order

- The Waveform corresponding to the near zone reads

$$h_N^{ij}(x) = \frac{2G}{Rc^4} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \hat{N}_{k_1} \cdots \hat{N}_{k_l} I_{EW}^{ijk_1 \cdots k_l}, \quad (6)$$

where the Epstein-Wagoner moments are given explicitly as

$$I_{EW}^{ij} := \frac{1}{c^2} \int_M \mu^{00} x^i x^j d^3 x, \quad (7)$$

$$I_{EW}^{ijk} := \frac{1}{c^3} \int_M \left(2\mu^{0(i} x^{j)} x^k - \mu^{0k} x^i x^j \right) d^3 x, \quad (8)$$

$$I_{EW}^{ijk_1 \cdots k_l} := \frac{2}{l! c^2} \frac{d^{l-2}}{d(ct)^{l-2}} \int_M \mu^{ij} x^{k_1} x^{k_2} \cdots x^{k_l} d^3 x. \quad (9)$$

- At order 1PN the waveform acquires the following form

$$h_N^{ij}(x) = \frac{2G}{Rc^4} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left\{ I^{ij} + \hat{n}_k I^{ijk} + \hat{n}_k \hat{n}_l I^{ijkl} \right\}_{\text{TT}}. \quad (10)$$

- In order to compute the Epstein-Wagoner moments, it is necessary to compute the source $\mu^{\alpha\beta}$ at the necessary order.
- The relaxed Einstein field equations collapse to

$$\begin{aligned}\nabla^2 h^{00} &= \frac{16\pi G}{c^2} \sum_a m_a \delta^3(\vec{x} - \vec{x}_a(t)) + 2\Lambda \\ &\quad + O(\Lambda h, \frac{1}{c^4}),\end{aligned}\tag{11}$$

$$\nabla^2 h^{0i} = O(\Lambda h, \frac{1}{c^3}),\tag{12}$$

$$\nabla^2 h^{ij} = -2\Lambda \eta^{ij} + O(\Lambda h, \frac{1}{c^4}).\tag{13}$$

- From (11), we can say that Λ plays the role of a perturbation parameter (PN factor).
- Bearing in mind the Harmonic gauge $\partial_\mu h^{\mu\nu} = 0$, the solution yields

$$h^{00} = -\frac{4G}{c^2} \sum_a \frac{m_a}{r_a} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} |\vec{x}|^2 + O(\Lambda h, c^{-4}),\tag{14}$$

$$h^{0i} = O(\Lambda h, c^{-3}),\tag{15}$$

$$h^{ij} = \delta^{ij} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \Lambda \left(|\vec{x}|^2 - x_i^2 \right) \right] + O(\Lambda h, c^{-4}),\tag{16}$$

where there is no sum over the index i of the term x_i .

$$h^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4G}{c^2} \sum_a \frac{m_a}{r_a} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} |\vec{x}|^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \Lambda (y^2 + z^2) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \Lambda (x^2 + z^2) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \Lambda (x^2 + y^2) \end{pmatrix},$$

- Considering the center of mass of a two particles frame $X_{\text{CM}}^i := \frac{1}{m} \int_M \mu^{00} x^i d^3x$, with $X_{\text{CM}}^i = 0$, yields

$$\vec{r}_1 = \frac{\mu}{m_1} \vec{r} + \frac{\mu \Delta m}{2m^2 c^2} \left(v^2 - \frac{Gm}{r} - \frac{\Lambda c^2 r^2}{2} \right) \vec{r} + O(c^{-2} \Lambda, \Lambda^2, c^{-3}), \quad (17)$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = -\frac{\mu}{m_2} \vec{r} + \frac{\mu \Delta m}{2m^2 c^2} \left(v^2 - \frac{Gm}{r} - \frac{\Lambda c^2 r^2}{2} \right) \vec{r} + O(\Lambda c^{-2}, \Lambda^2, c^{-3}), \quad (18)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_1 &= \frac{\mu}{m_1} \vec{v} + \frac{\mu \Delta m}{2m^2 c^2} \left[\left(v^2 - \frac{Gm}{r} - \frac{\Lambda c^2 r^2}{2} \right) \vec{v} - \left(\frac{Gm}{r^2} + \frac{\Lambda c^2 r}{2} \right) \dot{r} \vec{r} \right] \\ &\quad + O(\Lambda c^{-2}, \Lambda^2, c^{-4}), \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v}_2 &= -\frac{\mu}{m_2} \vec{v} + \frac{\mu \Delta m}{2m^2 c^2} \left[\left(v^2 - \frac{Gm}{r} - \frac{\Lambda c^2 r^2}{2} \right) \vec{v} - \left(\frac{Gm}{r^2} + \frac{\Lambda c^2 r}{2} \right) \dot{r} \vec{r} \right] \\ &\quad + O(\Lambda c^{-2}, \Lambda^2, c^{-4}). \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Wave form

- Substituting the Epstein-Wagoner moments, the positions and the velocities in the center of mass of two particles frame we obtain the following result

$$\begin{aligned} h_{N,TT}^{ij} &= \frac{2G\mu}{Rc^4} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left\{ \left[1 + \frac{1}{2c^2}(1-3\nu)(v^2 - \Lambda c^2 r^2) - \frac{Gm}{3rc^2}(2-9\nu) \right] r^i r^j \right. \\ &\quad - \frac{\Delta m}{mc^2} \left(2v^{(i} r^{j)} (\hat{N} \cdot \vec{r}) - (\hat{N} \cdot \vec{v}) r^i r^j \right) \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{c^2}(1-3\nu)(\hat{N} \cdot \vec{r})^2 \left(v^i v^j - \frac{Gm}{3r^3} r^i r^j \right) \right\}_{TT}, \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

with $\nu := \frac{\mu}{m} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m}$ as the mass ratio of the system.

Two body Lagrangian system

- The Lagrangian is obtained à la Droste-Fichtenholz.
- We insert the equation of motion of a point particle of mass m_1 from the geodesic equation

$$\begin{aligned} S &:= \int dt L_{m_1} = -m_1 c \int dt \left(-g_{\mu\nu} \frac{dx^\mu}{dt} \frac{dx^\nu}{dt} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= -m_1 c^2 \int dt \left(-g_{00} - 2g_{0i} \frac{v_1^i}{c} - g_{ij} \frac{v_1^i v_1^j}{c^2} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

- Considering the center of mass frame, the Lagrangian acquires the following form

$$\begin{aligned} L &= -mc^2 + \frac{1}{2}\mu v^2 + \frac{G\mu m}{r} + \frac{1}{8c^2} \mu v^4 (1 - 3\nu) + \frac{G\mu m}{2c^2 r} \left[(3 + \nu)v^2 + \nu(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{v})^2 - \frac{Gm}{r} \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{\Lambda}{6} c^2 \mu r^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{6} G\Lambda \mu r (5 + 2\nu) + \frac{1}{6} \Lambda \mu (1 - 3\nu) r^2 v^2 + \frac{\Lambda}{3} \mu (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{v})^2 (1 - 3\nu) r^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{11}{12} \Lambda \mu (1 - 3\nu) (x^2 v_x^2 + y^2 v_y^2 + z^2 v_z^2) + O(c^{-4}, \Lambda c^{-2}, \Lambda^2), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

with $\vec{r} = \vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2$, $\hat{n} = \frac{\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2}{|\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2|}$, and $\vec{v} := \vec{v}_1 - \vec{v}_2$.

Equation of motion of a binary compact system

- Making use of the Euler-Lagrange equations

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial v^i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial r^i} = 0, \quad (24)$$

we get the equations of motion corresponding to the interaction of two body compact system

$$\begin{aligned} a^i &= -\frac{Gm}{r^2} \hat{n}^i + \frac{Gm}{c^2 r^2} \left\{ \left[\frac{Gm}{r} (4 + 2\nu) - v^2 (1 + 3\nu) + \frac{3}{2} \nu (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{v})^2 \right] \hat{n}^i + (4 - 2\nu) (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{v}) v^i \right\} \\ &\quad + \frac{\Lambda}{3} c^2 r \hat{n}^i \\ &\quad + \Lambda (1 - 3\nu) \left[-\frac{5}{3} r (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{v}) + \frac{11}{3} (r_i \dot{r}_i) \right] v^i - Gm\Lambda \left[2 \left(\frac{3}{4} + \nu \right) + \frac{11}{6} (1 - 3\nu) \frac{(r_i)^2}{r^2} \right] \hat{n}^i \\ &\quad - \Lambda r (1 - 3\nu) \left[\frac{1}{2} v^2 + \frac{11}{6} (v_i)^2 \right] \hat{n}^i + O(c^{-4}, \Lambda c^{-2}, \Lambda^2). \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Waveform in a circular motion $\dot{r} = 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 h_N^{ij}(t, \vec{x}) &= \frac{2G\mu}{c^4 R} \left\{ 2 \left(v^i v^j - \frac{Gm}{r^3} r^i r^j \right) + \frac{\Lambda}{3} c^2 r^i r^j \right. \\
 &+ \frac{\Delta m}{c} \left[3 \frac{Gm}{r^3} (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{r}) \left(2v^{(i} r^{j)} - \frac{\dot{r}}{r} r^i r^j \right) + (\vec{v} \cdot \hat{n}) \left(-2v^i v^j + \frac{Gm}{r^3} r^i r^j \right) \right. \\
 &- 2\Lambda c^2 (\vec{n} \cdot \vec{r}) v^{(i} r^{j)} - \frac{\Lambda}{3} c^2 (\vec{n} \cdot \vec{v}) r^i r^j \Big] \\
 &+ \frac{1}{c^2} \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \left[3(1-3\nu)v^2 - 2(2-3\nu) \frac{Gm}{r} \right] v^i v^j + \frac{4}{3}(5+3\nu) \frac{Gm}{r^2} \dot{r} v^{(i} v^{j)} \right. \\
 &+ \frac{1}{3} \frac{Gm}{r^3} \left[-(10+3\nu)v^2 + 3(1-3\nu)\dot{r}^2 + 29 \frac{Gm}{r} \right] r^i r^j \\
 &+ \frac{2}{3}(1-3\nu)(\vec{v} \cdot \hat{n})^2 \left(3v^i v^j - \frac{Gm}{r^3} r^i r^j \right) \\
 &+ \frac{4}{3}(1-3\nu)(\vec{v} \cdot \hat{n})(\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n}) \frac{Gm}{r^3} \left[-8v^{(i} r^{j)} + 3 \frac{\dot{r}}{r} r^i r^j \right] \\
 &+ \frac{1}{3}(1-3\nu)(\vec{r} \cdot \hat{n})^2 \frac{Gm}{r^3} \left[-14v^i v^j + 30 \frac{\dot{r}}{r} v^{(i} r^{j)} + \left(3 \frac{v^2}{r^2} - 15 \frac{\dot{r}^2}{r^2} + 7 \frac{Gm}{r^3} \right) r^i r^j \right] \Big\} \\
 &- \frac{17\Lambda}{9}(1+3\nu) \frac{Gm}{r} r^i r^j - \Lambda \left[2 \left(\frac{2}{3} - \nu \right) v^2 + (1-3\nu) \left(\frac{Gm}{r^3} (r_i)^2 + (v_i)^2 \right) \right] r^i r^j \\
 &+ \Lambda [2(1-3\nu)r_i \dot{r}_i - (6-14\nu)r\dot{r}] v^{(i} r^{j)} - \Lambda(1-3\nu)r^2 r^i r^j \\
 &+ \frac{4}{3}\Lambda(1-3\nu)(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{r})^2 v^i v^j - \frac{13}{9}\Lambda(1-3\nu) \frac{Gm}{r^3} (\hat{n} \cdot \vec{r})^2 r^i r^j \\
 &\left. + \frac{8}{3}\Lambda(1-3\nu)(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{v})(\hat{n} \cdot \vec{r}) r^{(i} v^{j)} + O(c^{-4}, c^{-2}\Lambda, \Lambda^2) \right\}. \tag{26}
 \end{aligned}$$

Polarizations h_+ and h_\times of Gravitational Waves

- Defining the Post-Newtonian parameter $x := \left(\frac{\omega G m}{c^3}\right)^{1/3}$,

$$h_+ = \frac{2G\mu}{c^2 R} \left(\frac{Gm\omega}{c^3}\right)^{2/3} \left\{ H_+^0 + xH_+^{1/2} + x^2 H_+^1 + O(x^3, \Lambda c^{-1}, \Lambda^2) \right\}, \quad (27)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} H_+^0 &= -(1 + \cos^2 \iota) \cos 2\phi + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{\omega^2} \left(-\frac{1}{12} \sin^2 \iota + \frac{5}{36} (1 + \cos^2 \iota) \cos 2\phi \right), \\ H_+^{1/2} &= -\frac{\Delta m}{m} \frac{1}{8} \sin \iota \left[(5 + \cos^2 \iota) \cos \phi - 9(1 + \cos^2 \iota) \cos 3\phi \right] \left(1 - \frac{\Lambda c^2}{3\omega^2} \right), \\ H_+^1 &= \frac{1}{6} \{ [19 + 9\cos^2 \iota - 2\cos^4 \iota] - \nu [19 - 11\cos^2 \iota - 6\cos^4 \iota] \} \cos 2\phi \\ &\quad - \frac{4}{3} \sin^2 \iota (1 + \cos^2 \iota) (1 - 3\nu) \cos 4\phi \\ &\quad + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{\omega^2} \left\{ \frac{13}{24} - \frac{9}{16} \cos^2 \iota + \frac{1}{48} \cos^4 \iota + \frac{275}{72} \nu \sin^2 \iota + \cos 2\phi \left[-\frac{371}{432} - \frac{35}{144} \cos^2 \iota - \frac{35}{108} \cos^4 \iota \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + \nu \left(\frac{331}{144} + \frac{65}{144} \cos^2 \iota + \frac{35}{36} \cos^4 \iota \right) \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \cos 4\phi \left[\frac{5}{18} + \frac{11}{54} \cos^2 \iota - \frac{13}{27} \cos^4 \iota + \nu \left(-\frac{5}{6} - \frac{69}{72} \cos^2 \iota + \frac{13}{9} \cos^4 \iota \right) \right] \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

- Considering $\omega_0 = c\sqrt{5\Lambda}/6$, the amplitude h_+ is canceled out at Newtonian order.

$$h_{\times} = \frac{2G\mu}{c^2 R} \left(\frac{Gm\omega}{c^3} \right)^{2/3} \left\{ H_{\times}^0 + xH_{\times}^{1/2} + x^2 H_{\times}^1 + O(x^3, \Lambda c^{-1}, \Lambda^2) \right\}, \quad (28)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} H_{\times}^0 &= -2\cos\iota\sin 2\phi + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{9\omega^2} \cos\iota\sin 2\phi, \\ H_{\times}^{1/2} &= -\frac{\Delta m}{m} \frac{3}{8} \sin 2\iota \left[\left(1 + \frac{2}{9} \frac{\Lambda c^2}{\omega^2} \right) \sin\phi - \left(3 - \frac{20}{9} \frac{\Lambda c^2}{\omega^2} \right) \sin 3\phi \right], \\ H_{\times}^1 &= \cos\iota \left[\left\{ \left(\frac{17}{3} - \frac{4}{3} \cos^2\iota \right) + \nu \left(-\frac{13}{3} + 4\cos^2\iota \right) \right\} \sin 2\phi - \frac{8}{3} (1 - 3\nu) \sin^2\iota \sin 4\phi \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{\omega^2} \left\{ \left(-\frac{92}{27} + \frac{1}{3} \cos^2\iota \right) + \nu \left(\frac{79}{18} - \frac{13}{6} \cos^2\iota \right) \right\} \sin 2\phi + \frac{\Lambda c^2}{\omega^2} \left(\frac{359}{216} - \frac{359}{72} \nu \right) \sin^2\iota \sin 4\phi \right]. \end{aligned}$$

- Considering $\omega_0 = c\sqrt{2\Lambda}/6$, the amplitude of h_{\times} is canceled out at Newtonian order.

Particular cases

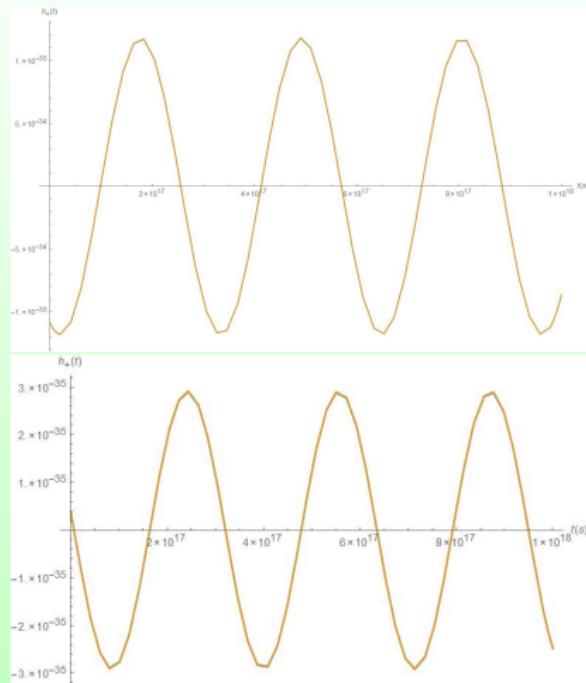


Figure: h_+ (top figure) and h_\times (bottom figure) for a binary compact system of identical masses at 1PN order with parameter values $m = 10^{31} \text{ kg}$, $R = 200 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}$, $\omega = 10^{-17} \text{ s}^{-1}$, $\Lambda = 10^{-52} \text{ m}^{-2}$ and the inclination angle $\iota = \pi/2$ (top figure), $\iota = 0$ (bottom figure). The effect of Λ is negligible.

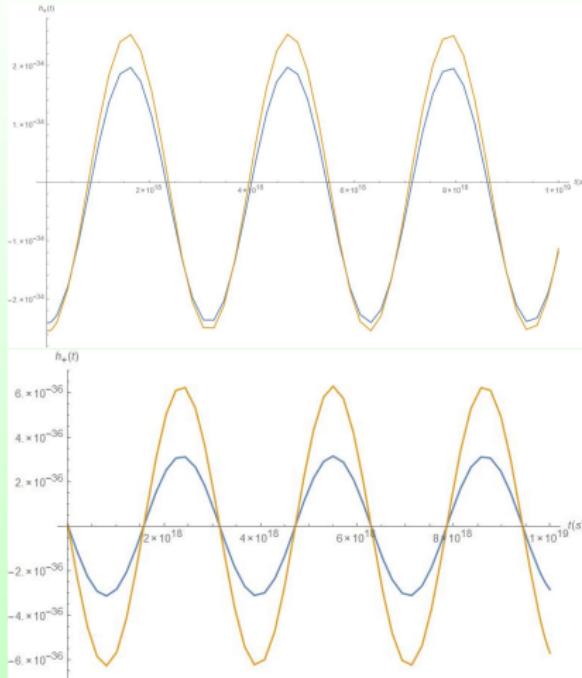


Figure: h_+ (top figure) and h_x (bottom figure) for a binary compact system of identical masses at 1PN order. The parameters are given by $m = 10^{31} \text{ Kg}$, $R = 200 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}$, $\omega = 10^{-18} \text{ s}^{-1}$ and the inclination angle $\iota = \pi/2$ (top figure), $\iota = 0$ (bottom figure). The blue line includes Λ , while the orange one does not ($\Lambda = 0$). Note that with this particular frequency, the effect of Λ starts to be observable.

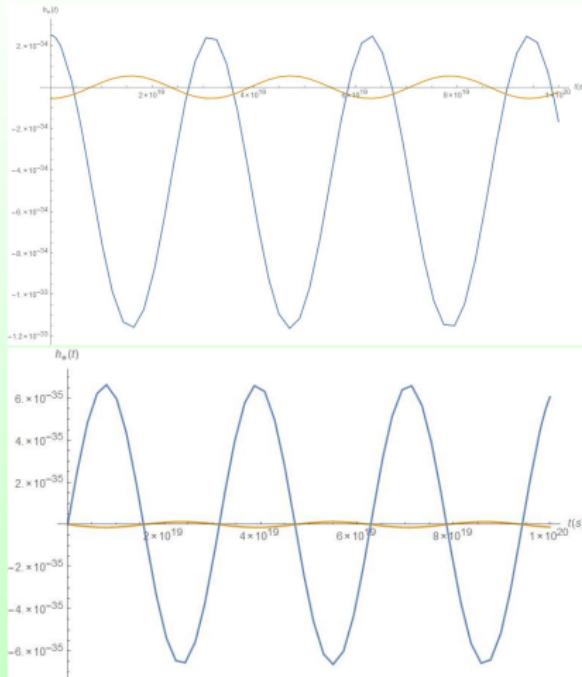


Figure: h_+ (top figure) and h_x (bottom figure) for a binary compact system of identical masses at 1PN order. The parameter values are given by $m = 10^{31} \text{ kg}$, $R = 200 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}$, $\omega = 10^{-19} \text{ s}^{-1}$ with inclination angle $\iota = \pi/2$ (top figure), $\iota = 0$ (bottom figure). The blue line includes Λ , while the orange one does not ($\Lambda = 0$). Note that with this particular frequency, the effect of Λ becomes very evident.

Conclusions and results

- The cosmological constant Λ can be interpreted as a Post-Newtonian factor.
- Using the Post-Newtonian approach at 1PN order, we compute the Lagrangian that describes a compact binary system for very small and positive values for Λ .
- We obtain the polarizations of the waveforms h_+ and h_\times making use of the equations of motion of a binary compact system.
- For particular frequencies $\omega_0 = c\sqrt{5\Lambda}/6$ and $\omega_0 = c\sqrt{2\Lambda}/6$, the amplitudes of h_+ and h_\times are canceled out at Newtonian order.