

377(2) : Orbital Precession in Terms of Q & ECE 2
Vector κ .

The relevant equations are:

$$\underline{F} = \gamma^3 m \underline{g} = -mMG \frac{\underline{r}}{r^3} \quad (1)$$

and

$$\underline{\nabla} \cdot \underline{g} = \underline{\kappa} \cdot \underline{g} = 4\pi G \frac{\rho}{m} \quad (2)$$

also

$$\gamma^3 = \left(1 - \frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{c^2} \right)^{-3/2} \quad (3)$$

and

$$\underline{g} = \underline{\ddot{r}} \quad (4)$$

So:

$$\gamma^3 g_x = -mG \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \quad (5)$$

$$\gamma^3 g_y = -mG \frac{y}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \quad (6)$$

and

$$\frac{dg_x}{dx} + \frac{dg_y}{dy} = \kappa_x g_x + \kappa_y g_y = 4\pi G \frac{\rho}{m} \quad (7)$$

Define:

$$g_x = -\frac{mG}{\gamma^3} \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \quad (8)$$

$$g_y = -\frac{mG}{\gamma^3} \frac{y}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \quad (9)$$

The γ^3 factor has no dependence on x and
 y so:

$$\frac{dg_x}{dx} = -\frac{mG}{r^3} \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{x}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} \right) \quad - (10)$$

$$\frac{dg_y}{dy} = -\frac{mG}{r^3} \frac{d}{dy} \left(\frac{y}{(x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} \right) \quad - (11)$$

So:

$$\frac{dg_x}{dx} + \frac{dg_y}{dy} = \frac{2mG}{r^3 (x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} \quad - (12)$$

$$= k_x g_x + k_y g_y$$

From eqs. (5), (6) and (12):

$$k_x X + k_y Y = -2 \quad - (13)$$

It also follows that:

$$\underline{m} = \frac{M}{2\pi r^3 (x^2+y^2)^{3/2}} \quad - (14)$$

The solution of Eq. (13) is:

$$X = -\frac{1}{k_x} (2 + k_y Y) \quad - (15)$$

$$Y = -\frac{1}{k_y} (2 + k_x X) \quad - (16)$$

in general.

So the orbit is determined by: -(17)

$$\ddot{x} = -mG \left(1 - \frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{c^2} \right)^{3/2} \frac{x}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}}$$

$$\ddot{y} = -mG \left(1 - \frac{\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2}{c^2} \right)^{3/2} \frac{y}{(x^2 + y^2)^{3/2}} \quad -(18)$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{\kappa_x} (2 + \kappa_y y) \quad -(19)$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{\kappa_y} (2 + \kappa_x x) \quad -(20)$$

In general, eqs. (17) to (20) must be solved simultaneously, using κ_x and κ_y as input parameters.

One particular solution is:

$$\kappa_x = -\frac{1}{x}, \quad -(21)$$

$$\kappa_y = -\frac{1}{y}. \quad -(22)$$

and the set of eqs. (17) to (20) reduces to eqs. (17) and (18).

The nature of the precession is determined by κ_x and κ_y .