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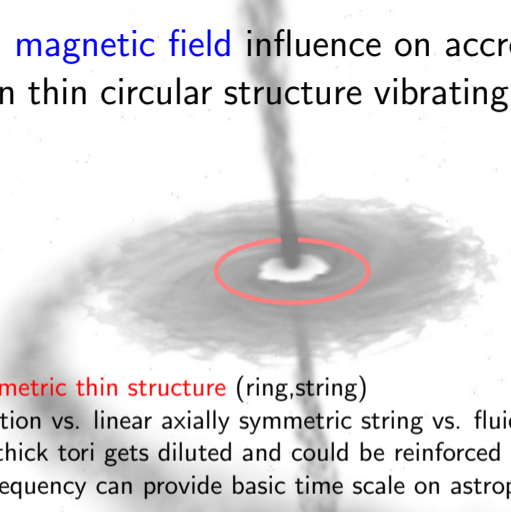
Vibrating ring around black hole

A thin circular structure vibrating in the central plane of a black hole will be investigated. This circular ring (string loop) can be considered as a simplified model for thin magnetic flux tubes (in plasma physics), and connections to accreting fluid structures around the black hole will be demonstrated. The stability of the string loop and the frequencies of its vibrational modes will be provided and compared with the vibrational modes of thick toroidal fluid structure around black holes, which is the standard analytical model for the temporal properties of accretion flow.

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Motivation: **magnetic field** influence on accretion structures
we focus on thin circular structure vibrating around black hole



- **axially symmetric thin structure** (ring, string)
- particle motion vs. linear axially symmetric string vs. fluid accretion tori
- oscillating thick tori gets diluted and could be reinforced by magnetic field
- vibration frequency can provide basic time scale on astrophysical processes

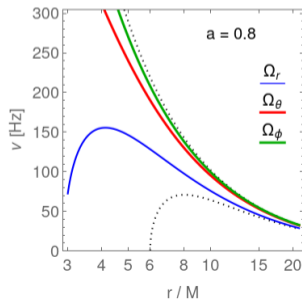
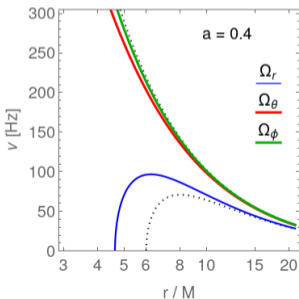
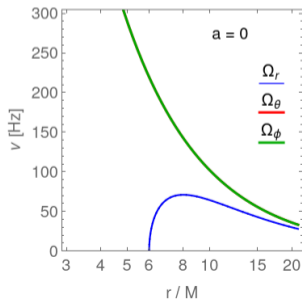
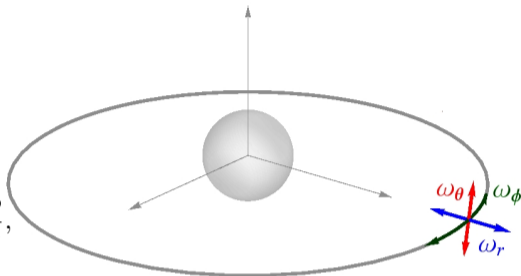
"Magnetic tension is important in plasma physics - controls dynamics of some systems and the shape of magnetic structures; in a homogeneous magnetic field (no gravity), magnetic tension is the sole driver of linear Alfvén waves."

- J.C.Vial, O.Engvold: Solar Prominences, Springer (2015).

thin Keplerian disk = test particles on circular orbits

Perturbation of circular orbit, located at minima of $V_{\text{eff}}(r, \theta)$, leads to particle oscillations with radial ω_r , vertical ω_θ , Keplerian ω_ϕ frequencies:

$$\omega_r^2 \sim \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial r^2}, \quad \omega_\theta^2 \sim \frac{\partial^2 V_{\text{eff}}}{\partial \theta^2}, \quad \omega_\phi = \frac{d\phi}{d\tau},$$



thin Kelerian ring and **THICK** accretion disk around BH

ideal GRMHD:

$$(\rho u^\mu)_{;\mu} = 0,$$

$$(T^\mu{}_\nu)_{;\mu} = 0,$$

$$(u^\nu b^\mu - u^\nu b^\nu)_{;\mu} = 0,$$

+ eq.of state + angular momentum profile \rightarrow

equipressure surfaces:

analytic $W(x, z) =$

int.GRMHD simulation

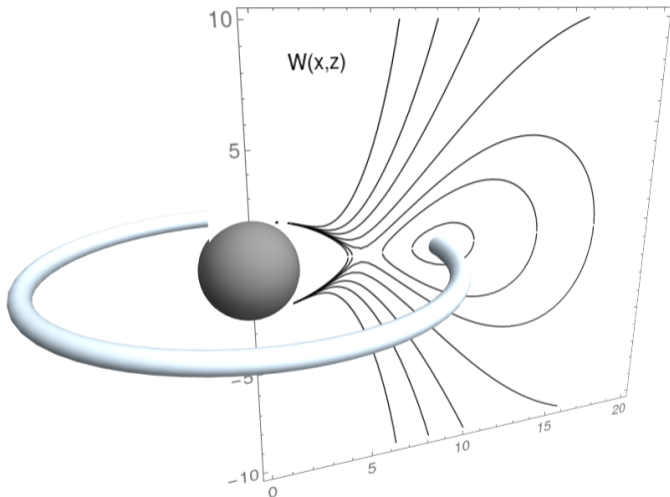
torus

thickens \sim pressure
inside

no thickness, no pressure

= particle circular orbit

- M.Kozlowski, M.Jaroszynski, M.Abramowicz: The analytic theory of fluid disks orbiting the Kerr black hole, *Astronomy and Astrophysics*, 63, 1-2, 209-220 (1978)

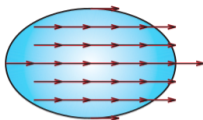


Thick accretion tori vibration frequencies

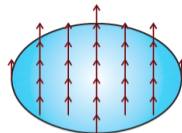
thin linear structure:

- radial mode
- vertical mode

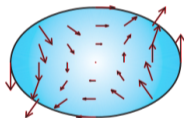
radial epicyclic mode



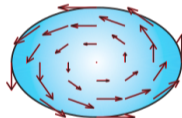
vertical epicyclic mode



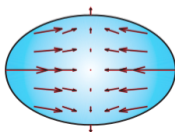
x-mode



inertial mode



plus-mode



breathing mode

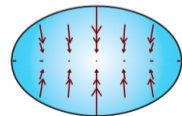
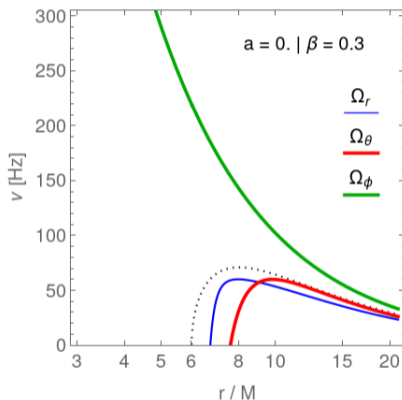
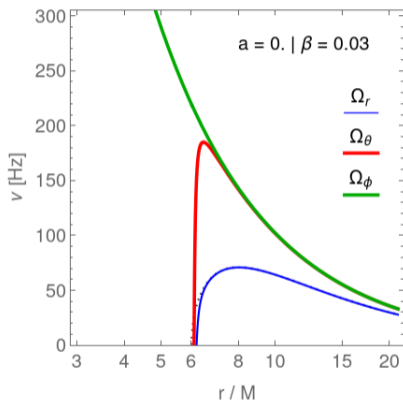


figure from:

- Eva Šrámková: Oscillations of disc structures around compact objects, PhD dissertation (2010)

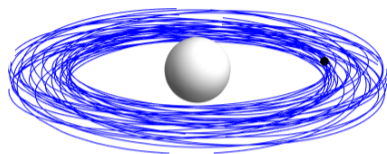
Thick tori frequencies || torus pressure decreases the frequencies

- torus thickness $\beta \leftrightarrow$ pressure in torus center
- frequencies are decreasing with pressure inside torus (torus thickness)

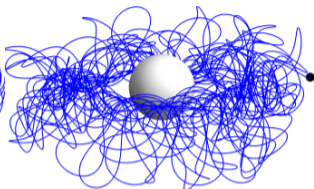


- O.Straub, E.Šrámková: Epicyclic oscillations of non-slender fluid tori around Kerr BH, CQG, 26,5,055011 (2009)
- A.Kotrlová, E.Šrámková+, Astronomy & Astrophysics 643, A31 (2020)

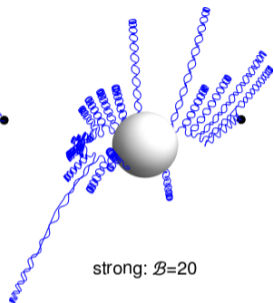
Magnetic field: single charged particle dynamic



weak: $\mathcal{B}=0.002$



medium: $\mathcal{B}=2$

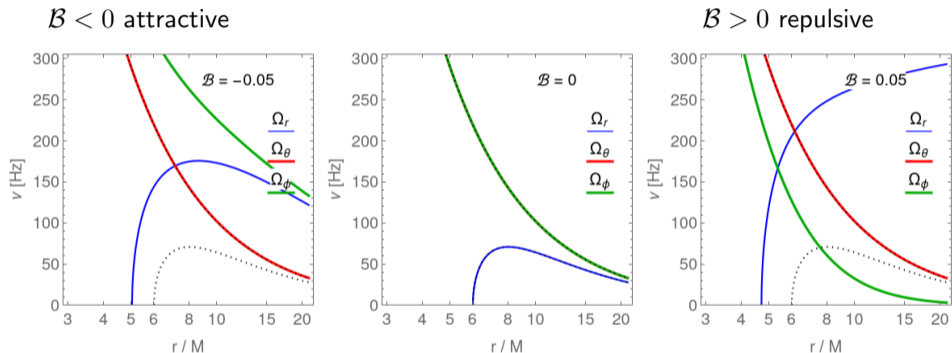


strong: $\mathcal{B}=20$

- astrophysically relevant:
 - weak $\mathcal{B} \ll 1$ case - small oscillations
 - strong $\mathcal{B} \gg 1$ case - motion along magnetic field lines
- Lorentz force: $\mathcal{B} < 0$ attractive || $\mathcal{B} > 0$ repulsive
- $\mathcal{B} \sim 1$ Lorentz force is comparable to gravity - the richest case

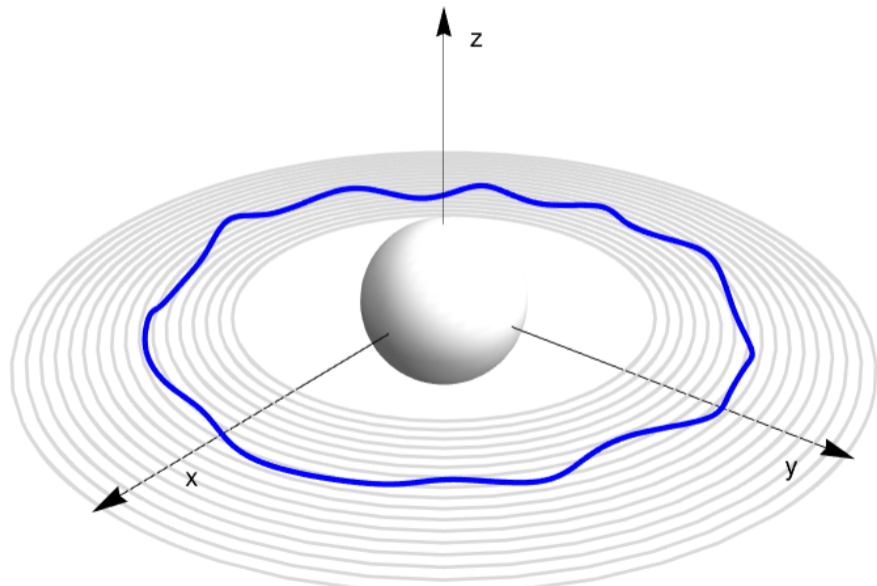
Charged particle in uniform magnetic field

Lorentz force:



- M.Kološ, Z.Stuchlík, A.Tursunov: *Quasi-harmonic oscillatory motion of charged particles around a Schw.BH immersed in uniform mag. field*, CQG 165009 (2015) [arXiv:1506.06799]

Linear structure vibrating around black hole - string loop



How to describe 1D objects?

particle (0D object) is specified by its rest mass m ;
 all infinitesimally thin structures (=strings, 1D objects)
 are described by only two numbers:

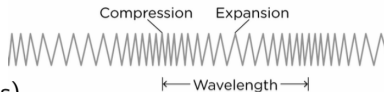
energy density U and **tension** T per unit length

string equation of state $F(U, T) = 0$; $p = -T$

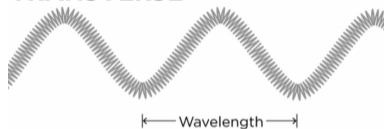
$$S = \int \mathcal{L} d\sigma d\tau \quad \rightarrow \quad s_T^2 = \frac{T}{U}, \quad c_L^2 = -\frac{dT}{dU}$$

perturbation velocity: transverse (normal) $s = s_T$ / longitudinal (along) $c = c_L$

LONGITUDINAL



TRANSVERSE



"dust" string

non-interacting
test particles

$$T = 0$$

$$s^2 = c^2 = 0$$

Nambu-Goto string

simplest case for string
with tension $T = \mu$

$$T = U$$

$$s^2 = 1, \quad c^2 = -1$$

Current-Carrying String

scalar field φ added on the
string \rightarrow currents $\varphi|_a$
CCS \in rigid strings
- the most stiff strings

$$s^2 = 1, \quad c^2 \in [0, 1)$$

more
models
...

1D object around black hole (Nambu–Goto string)

1D string immersion into 4D spacetime

$$X^\alpha(\tau, \sigma) = (t, r, \theta, \phi);$$

worldsheet: $a, b \in \{\tau, \sigma\}$ / $\alpha \in \{t, r, \theta, \phi\}$
 τ - string evolution / σ - along string

worldsheet should be min. (Nambu–Goto)

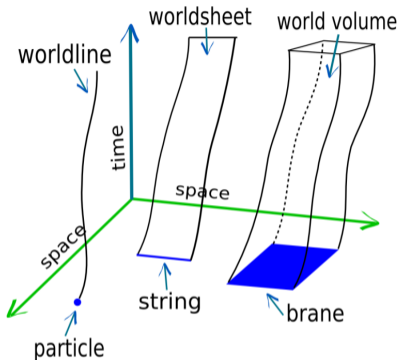
$$S = -\mu \int_w dw = -\mu \int \sqrt{-h} d\sigma d\tau$$

$$h_{ab} = g_{\alpha\beta} X^\alpha_{|a} X^\beta_{|b}, \quad \Sigma^{ab} = -\mu \sqrt{-h} h^{ab}$$

induced metric on the worldsheet h_{ab} / worldsheet stress-energy tensor Σ^{ab}

take $\delta S = 0$ and (after some algebra) NG string equation of motion are obtain

$$(\Sigma^{ab} g_{\mu\lambda} X^\mu_{,a})_{,b} - 1/2 \Sigma^{ab} g_{\mu\nu, \lambda} X^\mu_{,a} X^\nu_{,b} = 0$$



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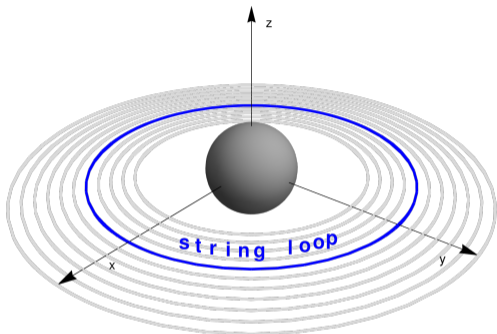
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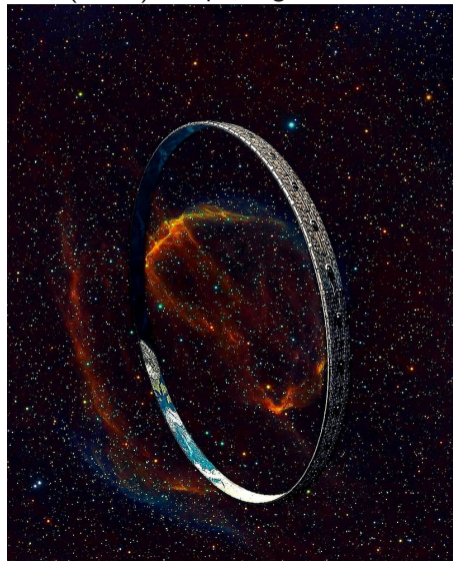
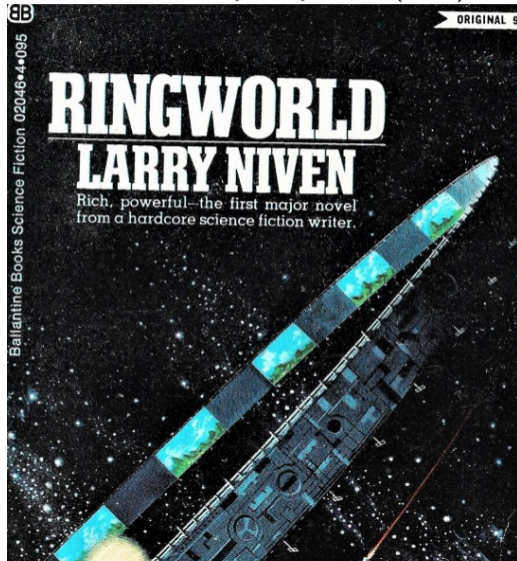
$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} X^\alpha_{|\tau} - \Gamma^\alpha_{\beta\gamma} X^\beta_{|\tau} X^\gamma_{|\tau} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma} X^\alpha_{|\sigma} + \Gamma^\alpha_{\beta\gamma} X^\beta_{|\sigma} X^\gamma_{|\sigma} = 0$$



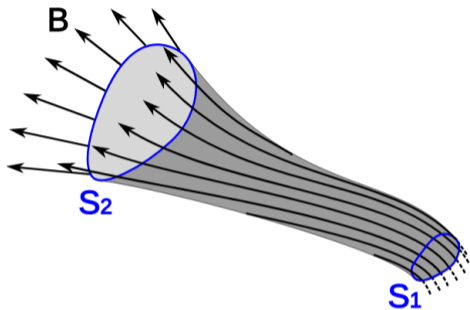
Ringworld - circular megastructure rotating around star

sci-fi novel written by Larry Niven (1970)

Halo (2001-) computer game



Magnetic flux tubes & Magnetic tension



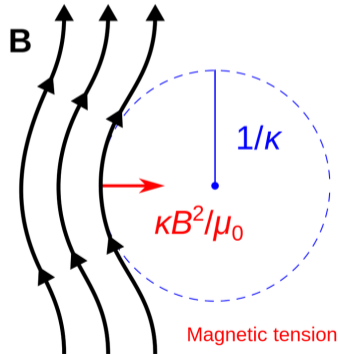
Magnetic tension is a restoring force that acts to straighten bent magnetic field lines

$$f_T = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \frac{1}{r_0} B^2$$

where μ_0 is the vacuum permeability.

A flux tube is tube-like (cylindrical) region of space containing a magnetic field \vec{B} .

en.wikipedia.org/Magnetic_tension



Motivation: magnetic flux tube = relativistic string (**tension**)

$$\text{GRMHD: } \nabla_\alpha T^{\alpha\beta} = 0, \quad \nabla_\alpha \rho u^\alpha = 0, \quad \nabla_\alpha (b^\alpha u^\beta - b^\beta u^\alpha) = 0$$

$$x_\tau^\alpha = \frac{u^\alpha}{q}, \quad x_\sigma^\alpha = \frac{b^\alpha}{\rho}$$

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = Qu^\alpha u^\beta - Pg^{\alpha\beta} - 1/(4\pi)b^\alpha b^\beta \quad P = p - \frac{1}{8\pi}b^\alpha b_\alpha, \quad Q = p + \epsilon - \frac{1}{4\pi}b^\alpha b_\alpha$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial\tau} X_{|\tau}^\alpha - \Gamma_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha X_{|\tau}^\beta X_{|\tau}^\gamma + \frac{\partial}{\partial\sigma} X_{|\sigma}^\alpha + \Gamma_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha X_{|\sigma}^\beta X_{|\sigma}^\gamma = 0 \quad (\text{string})$$

$$-\frac{\partial}{\partial\tau} \left(\frac{Qq}{\rho} x_{|\tau}^\alpha \right) - \frac{Qq}{\rho} \Gamma_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha x_{|\tau}^\beta x_{|\tau}^\gamma + \frac{\partial}{\partial\sigma} \left(\frac{\rho}{4\pi q} x_{|\sigma}^\alpha \right) + \frac{\rho}{4\pi q} \Gamma_{\beta\gamma}^\alpha x_{|\sigma}^\beta x_{|\sigma}^\gamma \simeq 0 \quad (\text{plasma})$$

string with tension μ vs. magnetic **flux tube** (plasma) - "string along mag. filed-lines"

- H.C.Spruit: *Equations for thin flux tubes in ideal MHD*, *Astn.&Astp.*, **102**, 1 (1981)
- V.S.Semenov and L.V.Bernikov: *Magnetic flux tubes - nonlinear strings in relativistic magnetohydrodynamics*, *Astro. and Space Sci.* **184**, 157-166 (1990)
- S.A.Dyadechkin, V.S.Semenov, H.K.Biernat, T. Penz: *Comparison of magnetic flux tube and cosmic string behavior in Kerr metric* *AiSR*, **42**, 3, (2008)

Axisymmetric perturbation, frequencies of oscillations in Schw.

- instability? - loop linear perturbation
 $r = r_0 + \delta r(\tau), \quad \theta = \pi/2 + \delta\theta(\tau)$
- frequencies ($x \in (r, \theta)$)
 stable: $\Omega^2 > 0$ vs. unstable: $\Omega^2 < 0$

$$\ddot{x} + \Omega^2 x = 0$$

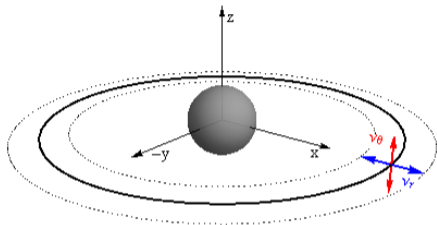
- vertical oscillations have Keplerian frequency in all cases $\sim r^{-3/2}$

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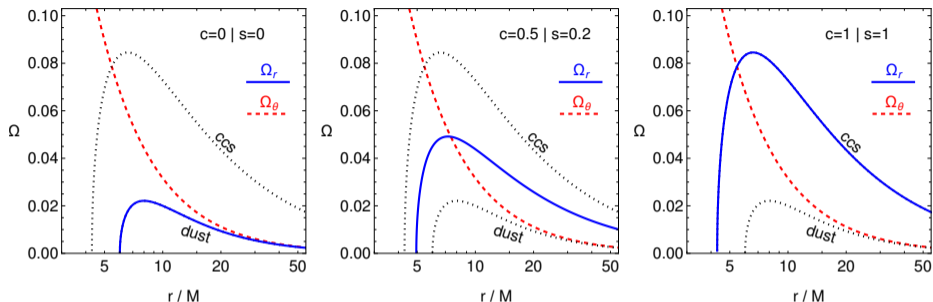
$$\text{"dust" string (particle)} \quad \Omega_r^2 = \frac{r-6}{r^4}, \quad \text{c. c. string} \quad \Omega_r^2 = \frac{r^2 - 5r + 3}{r^4}$$

with the help of coefficients from:

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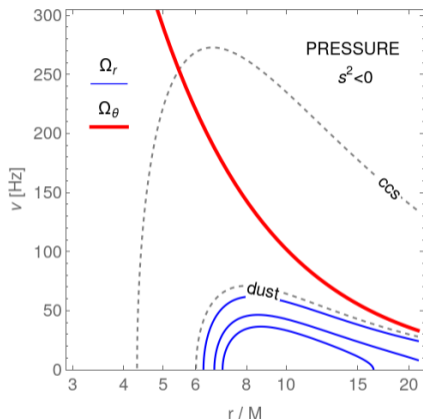
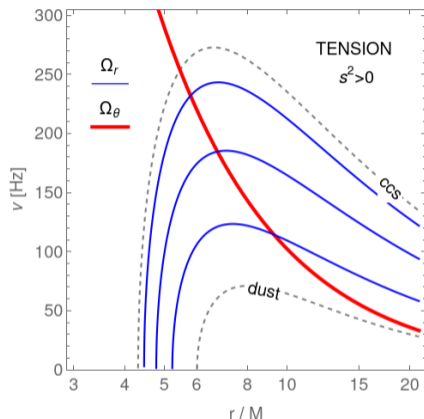
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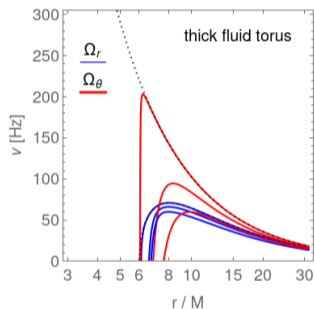
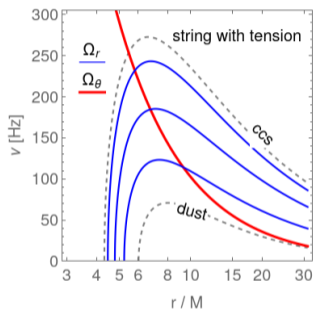
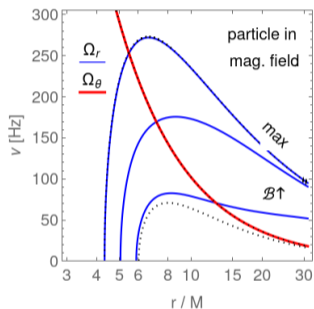
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Influence of - tension: string $p < 0$ vs. pressure: ring $p > 0$



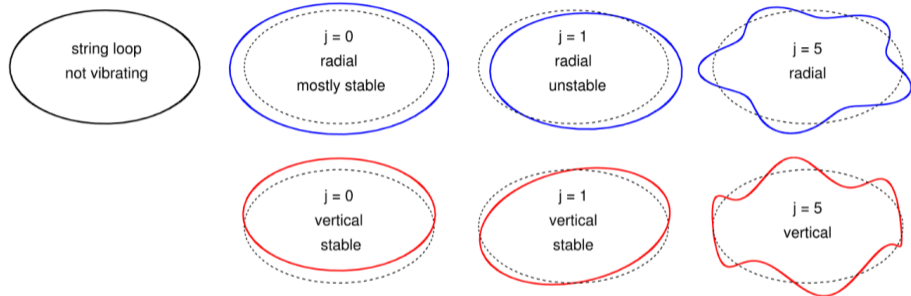
- string frequencies Ω_r, Ω_θ are functions of velocities $s^2 = \frac{T}{U}$ and $c^2 = -\frac{dT}{dU}$
- equation of state - relation between energy density U and tension T
- tension is negative pressure $p = -T$ Can we have 1D structures with positive pressure (negative tension)? $p > 0 \Leftrightarrow (U > 0) \wedge (T < 0) \Leftrightarrow s^2 < 0$ (unstable!)

particle on perturbed circular orbit || vibrating string loop ||
 oscillating fluid torus



- string tension: frequencies \uparrow vs. fluid torus pressure: frequencies \downarrow
- charged particle in mag. field (attractive Lorentz) = rigid CCS string (maximum)

So far axisymmetric loop only (0th mode),
but there can be also higher vibrational modes on string loop



- radial vs. vertical modes
- previous slides are for 0th ($j = 0$) modes only
- how to find higher mode instability? - loop linear perturbation - frequencies!

$$\ddot{x} + \Omega^2 x = 0, \quad \text{stable} : \Omega^2 > 0 \quad || \quad \text{unstable} : \Omega^2 < 0$$

- testing higher modes + solving string EOM numerically(?) (PDEs!)

Instabilities: RingWorld (string) & Papaloizou-Pringle (torus)

- RingWorld instability - radial $j = 1$ mode - gravitational attraction of the near-side is greater than that of the far-side
- Papaloizou-Pringle instability - fluid rings are dynamically unstable against global, nonaxisymmetric perturbations
- Dyson sphere is stable (loop instability has geometric origin)

The frequencies $\Omega \in \mathbb{C}$ ($P_4(\Omega) = 0$ roots)

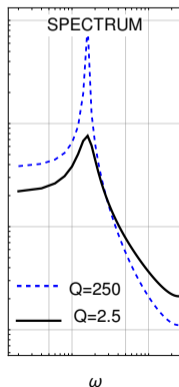
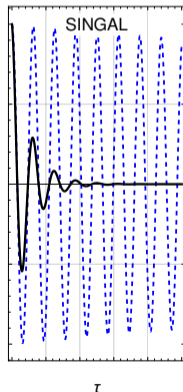
$\text{Re}(\Omega)$ - harmonic oscillations

$\text{Im}(\Omega)$ - mode instability

- exponentially grow or decay $\text{sign}(\text{Im}(\Omega))$

→ ! ← you will see oscillations even for unstable modes, if $\text{Im}(\Omega)$ is small; quality factor:

$$Q \equiv \frac{\text{Re}(\Omega)}{2 \text{Im}(\Omega)}$$



Summary & Future work

- relativistic elasticity
- magnetic field lines (flux tubes) behave like relativistic strings
- string tension (frequencies \uparrow) vs. fluid torus pressure (frequencies \downarrow)

- solving EQM numerically: charged particle \checkmark (code in Mathematica, link) || relativistic string - now NG only || thick torus - GRMHD simulation (HARM)
- torus frequencies with toroidal magnetic field (analytic, Komissarov model)
- extension to Kerr black hole (partially done)

Thank you for your attention.

codes and more info: <https://github.com/XyhwX> martin.kolos@physics.slu.cz

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