

We begin with the coupled differential equations:

$$\frac{d\tilde{a}}{d\tau} = -\frac{16}{5} \frac{1}{\tilde{a}^3} \frac{1}{(1-e^2)^{7/2}} \left(1 + \frac{73}{24}e^2 + \frac{37}{96}e^4\right)$$

$$\frac{de}{d\tau} = -\frac{76}{15} \frac{1}{\tilde{a}^4} \frac{e}{(1-e^2)^{5/2}} \left(1 + \frac{121}{304}e^2\right)$$

Where  $\tilde{a}(\tau)$  is the dimensionless quantity  $\tilde{a}(\tau) = \frac{a}{R_*}$ , and  $R_*^3 = 4G^3 \mu m^2 / c^6$  and  $\tau = \frac{ct}{R_*}$  is a dimensionless time unit.

To decouple this, we solve  $\frac{d\tilde{a}}{de}$ :

$$\frac{d\tilde{a}}{de} = \frac{\left(\frac{d\tilde{a}}{d\tau}\right)}{\left(\frac{de}{d\tau}\right)} = \frac{12}{19} \tilde{a} \frac{\left[1 + \frac{73}{24}e^2 + \frac{37}{96}e^4\right]}{e(1-e^2)\left(1 + \frac{121}{304}e^2\right)}$$

$$\int \frac{d\tilde{a}}{\tilde{a}} = \int \frac{12}{19} \frac{\left[1 + \frac{73}{24}e^2 + \frac{37}{96}e^4\right]}{e(1-e^2)\left(1 + \frac{121}{304}e^2\right)} de$$

$$\ln(\tilde{a}) = \frac{12}{19} \int \frac{\left[1 + \frac{73}{24}e^2 + \frac{37}{96}e^4\right]}{e(1-e^2)\left(1 + \frac{121}{304}e^2\right)} de, \text{ letting } u = e^2, \\ du = 2e de$$

$$\ln(\tilde{a}) = \frac{12}{38} \int \frac{\left[1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{96}u^2\right]}{e^2(1-u)\left(1 + \frac{121}{304}u\right)} du$$

$$\frac{38}{12} \ln(\tilde{a}) = \int \frac{\left[1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{96}u^2\right]}{u(1-u)\left(1 + \frac{121}{304}u\right)} du$$

$$\int \frac{[1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{46}u^2]}{u(1-u)(1 + \frac{121}{304}u)} du = \int \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{(1-u)} + \frac{C}{1 + \frac{121}{304}u} du$$

$$1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{46}u^2 = \left( \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{(1-u)} + \frac{C}{1 + \frac{121}{304}u} \right) (u(1-u)(1 + \frac{121}{304}u))$$

$$1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{46}u^2 = A(1-u)(1 + \frac{121}{304}u)$$

$$+ B(u)(1 + \frac{121}{304}u)$$

$$+ C(u)(1-u)$$

$$1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{46}u^2 = A(1 - \frac{183}{304}u - \frac{121}{304}u^2)$$

$$+ B(u + \frac{121}{304}u^2)$$

$$+ C(u - u^2)$$

$$1 + \frac{73}{24}u + \frac{37}{46}u^2 = A + u(-\frac{183}{304}A + B + C)$$

$$+ u^2(-\frac{121}{304}A + \frac{121}{304}B - C)$$

yielding the system of equations:

$$A = 1$$

$$-\frac{183}{304}A + B + C = \frac{73}{24}$$

$$-\frac{121}{304}A + \frac{121}{304}B - C = \frac{37}{46}$$

no This can be solved for:

$$A=1 \quad B=\frac{19}{6} \quad C=\frac{145}{304}, \text{ so:}$$

$$2 \quad \frac{38}{12} \ln(\tilde{u}) = \int \frac{du}{u} + \frac{19}{6} \int \frac{du}{1-u} + \frac{145}{304} \int \frac{du}{1+\frac{121}{304}u}$$

$$\frac{19}{6} \ln(\tilde{u}) = \ln(u) + \frac{19}{6} \ln(1-u) + \frac{145}{121} \ln\left(1+\frac{121}{304}u\right) + C$$

$$\ln(\tilde{u}) = \frac{6}{19} \ln(u) - \ln(1-u) + \frac{870}{21299} \ln\left(1+\frac{121}{304}u\right) + C$$

$$\ln(\tilde{u}) = \ln \left[ \frac{u^{\frac{6}{19}} \left(1+\frac{121}{304}u\right)^{\frac{870}{21299}}}{1-u} \right] + C$$

$$\tilde{u}(e) = \frac{C_0 u^{\frac{6}{19}} \left(1+\frac{121}{304}u\right)^{\frac{870}{21299}}}{1-u}, \text{ and recalling that } u = e^{\lambda^2}.$$

$$\tilde{u}(e) = \frac{C_0 e^{\frac{12}{19}} \left(1+\frac{121}{304}e^2\right)^{\frac{870}{21299}}}{1-e^2}$$

Now, we can decouple our second equation:

$$\frac{de}{d\tau} = -\frac{76}{15} \frac{1}{a^4} \frac{e}{(1-e^2)^{5/2}} \left(1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2\right)$$

Where  $a = \frac{c_0 e^{12} (1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2)^{870/2299}}{1 - e^2}$ ; so:

$$\frac{de}{d\tau} = -\frac{76}{15 c_0^4} \cdot \frac{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}{e^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2)^{3486/2299}} \cdot \frac{e}{(1-e^2)^{5/2} (1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2)}$$

$$\frac{de}{d\tau} = -\frac{76}{15 c_0^4} \cdot \frac{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}{e^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2)^{1189/2299}}$$

$$d\tau = -\frac{15 c_0^4}{76} \cdot \frac{e^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2)^{1189/2299}}{(1-e^2)^{3/2}} de$$

This is non-integrable; we will try to solve it with a fourth-order Runge-Kutta method; we will examine what we do at each step. Our time step will be  $\Delta t$ ; then: we

$$k_1 = \Delta t \left( -\frac{76}{15 c_0^4} \cdot \frac{(1-e_n^2)^{3/2}}{e_n^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} e_n^2)^{1189/2299}} \right) \text{ (Euler Step)}$$

$$k_2 = \Delta t \left( -\frac{76}{15 c_0^4} \cdot \frac{(1-(e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_1)^2)^{3/2}}{(e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_1)^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} (e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_1)^2)^{1189/2299}} \right)$$

$$k_3 = \Delta t \left( -\frac{76}{15 c_0^4} \cdot \frac{(1-(e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_2)^2)^{3/2}}{(e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_2)^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} (e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_2)^2)^{1189/2299}} \right)$$

$$k_4 = \Delta t \left( -\frac{76}{15 c_0^4} \cdot \frac{(1-(e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_3)^2)^{3/2}}{(e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_3)^{29/19} (1 + \frac{121}{304} (e_n + \frac{1}{2} k_3)^2)^{1189/2299}} \right), \text{ and finally:}$$

$$e_{n+1} = e_n + \frac{1}{6} k_1 + \frac{1}{3} k_2 + \frac{1}{3} k_3 + \frac{1}{6} k_4 + O(h^5)$$