

# Homework 7

Due March 28th

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Given the Post Newtonian Parameterization from class

$$ds^2 = - \left( 1 - \frac{2GM}{c^2 r} + 2(\gamma - \beta) \left( \frac{GM}{c^2 r} \right)^2 + \dots \right) dt^2 + \left( 1 + 2\gamma \left( \frac{GM}{c^2 r} \right) + \dots \right) dr^2 + r^2 d\Omega$$

Derive the leading non-Newtonian expressions for:

(EDIT FRIDAY MARCH 25: JUST PICK ONE ... APPARENTLY #2 SUCKS.  
YOU CAN THANK GEOFF)

1. The deflection angle of a light ray approaching a star of mass  $M$  at impact parameter  $b$ .
2. The perihelion procession of a planet whose orbit has a semi-major axis  $a$  and eccentricity  $\epsilon$ .
3. The round-trip excess time delay of a signal propagating from earth to an object a distance  $r_R$  away from the sun, along a path whose closest approach to the sun is  $r_1$ .

*To get full credit for this assignment, if you're following along with the textbook from chapters 9 and 10 and cite his results, the details that are omitted from the textbook must be filled in. That is, you can't say "send  $x$  to  $(1 - \gamma) x$  and use formula  $y$  from the book)." or anything like that.*