

Integrability and action-angle variables of post-Newtonian binary black holes

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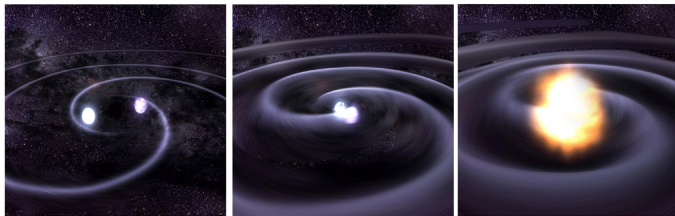
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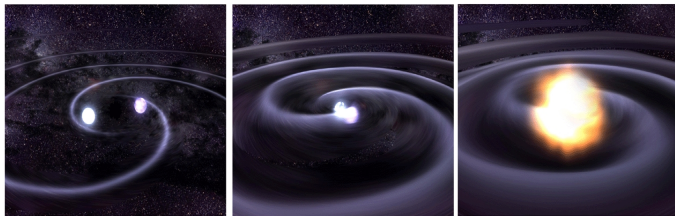
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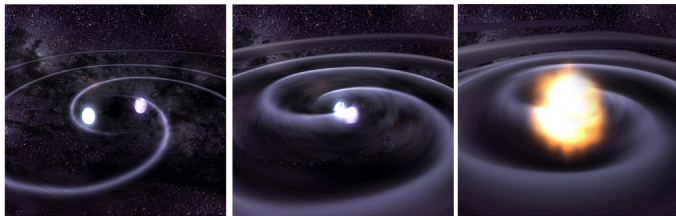
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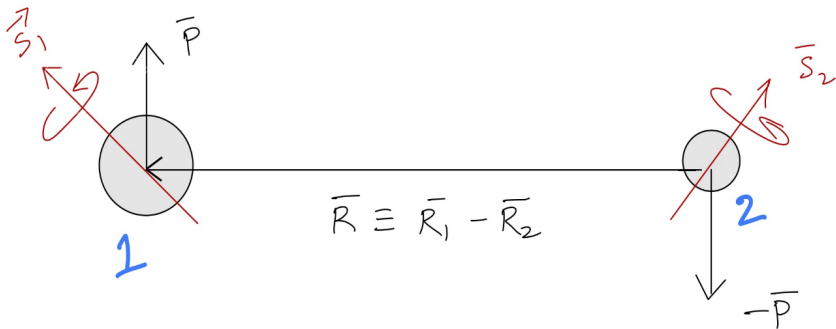
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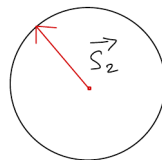
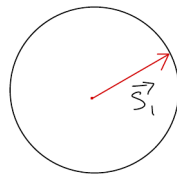
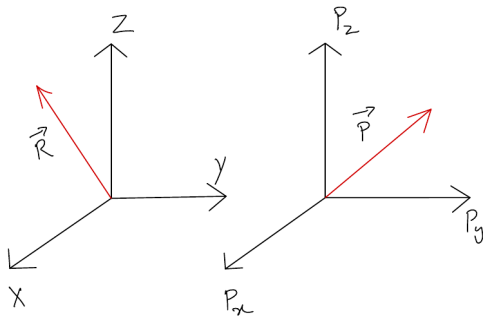
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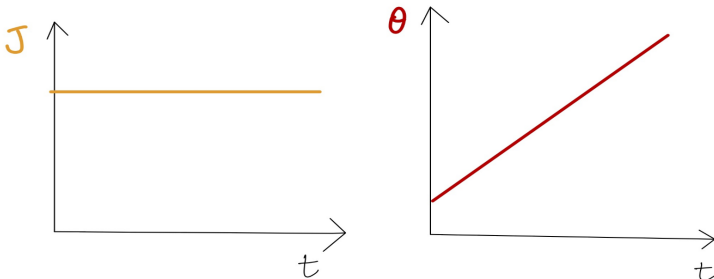
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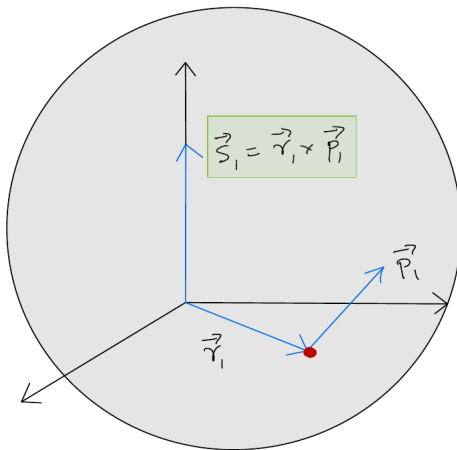
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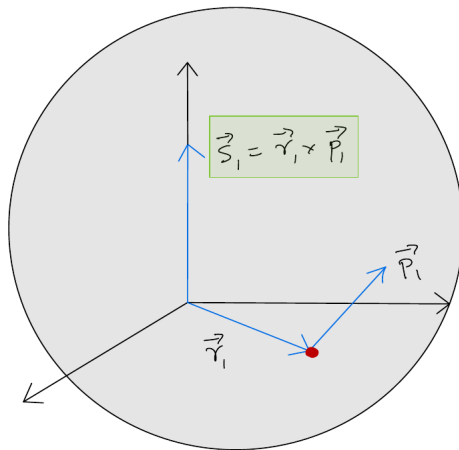
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Thank you!

Questions?

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