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Binary evolution processes II

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Formation of black hole and neutron star binaries

PRIMORDIAL BINARIES:

Two stars form from same cloud and evolve into two BHs gravitationally bound



NOT SO EASY: Many evolutionary processes can affect the binary

SN kick wind mass transfer Roche lobe mass transfer common envelope

tidal evolution magnetic braking orbital evolution gravitational wave decay

1. What are tidal forces?

2. Stars rotate while in binaries: formation of a tidal bulge and lag

3. tidal equilibrium only if corotation, coplanarity and circularization

4. physical mechanisms driving the tides: equilibrium tides (turbulent viscosity) and radiative damping

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Ogilvie 2014, https://arxiv.org/pdf/1406.2207.pdf

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Same as Earth – Moon system:



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Hut 1981

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where τ is a small constant time lag

From μ we derive force due to tides (assuming orbital plane and equatorial plane of the primary are the same):

$$\vec{F} = \frac{Mm}{M+m} \ddot{r} = -G \frac{(M-2\mu)m}{r^2} \hat{r} - G \frac{\mu m}{r^2 + R^2 - 2rR\cos\phi} \left[\cos\psi\hat{r} - \sin\psi\hat{\theta}\right] + G \frac{\mu m}{r^2 + R^2 + 2rR\cos\phi} \left[\cos\psi\hat{r} - \sin\psi\hat{\theta}\right]$$

where
$$\sin \psi = \frac{R \sin \phi}{(r^2 + R^2 - 2rR \cos \phi)^{1/2}}$$

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developing to 5th order in *R/r*

$$\vec{F} = -G\frac{Mm}{r^2} \left\{ \hat{r} + 3\frac{m}{M} \left(\frac{R}{r}\right)^5 k \left[\left(1 + 3\frac{\dot{r}}{r}\tau\right)\hat{r} - \left(\Omega - \dot{\theta}\right)\tau\hat{\theta} \right] \right\}$$

Newton

Tidal perturbation

Hut 1981

From expression of tidal force + angular mom. conservation + energy dissipation, we derive expression for tidal change of a, e, Ω

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{da}{dt} &= -6\frac{k}{T}q\left(1+q\right)\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^8 \frac{a}{(1-e^2)^{15/2}} \left[f_1 - (1-e^2)^{3/2}f_2\frac{\Omega}{\omega}\right] \\ \frac{de}{dt} &= -27\frac{k}{T}q\left(1+q\right)\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^8 \frac{e}{(1-e^2)^{13/2}} \left[f_3 - \frac{11}{18}\left(1-e^2\right)^{3/2}f_4\frac{\Omega}{\omega}\right] \\ \frac{d\Omega}{dt} &= 3\frac{k}{T}\frac{q^2}{r_g^2}\left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^6 \frac{\omega}{(1-e^2)^6} \left[f_2 - (1-e^2)^{3/2}f_5\frac{\Omega}{\omega}\right] \end{aligned}$$



Tidal evolution is

* orbital energy and rotational energy dissipation
→ two stars (even if do not fill Roche lobes)
can spiral in by tidal evolution

- * angular momentum exchange between stellar rotation and orbit
 - → a star transfers rotational ang. mom. to orbital ang. mom. and slows down
 - → stars in binaries generally spin lower

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Tidal evolution

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Corotation

EQUILIBRIUM SPIN:

spin of synchronisation between star rotation and orbit

NO further angular momentum exchange is possible

$$\Omega_{\rm eq} = f_2 \,\omega \, \left[\frac{1}{f_5 \, (1 - e^2)^{3/2}} \right]$$

SYNCHRONIZATION TIMESCALE: time for reaching corotation

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\rm sync}} = \frac{\dot{\Omega}}{\Omega - \omega} \sim 3 \left(\frac{k}{T}\right) \frac{q^2}{r_g^2} \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^6$$

Circularization

CIRCULARIZATION TIMESCALE: time for reaching eccentricity = 0

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\rm circ}} = \frac{21}{2} \left(\frac{k}{T}\right) q \left(1+q\right) \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^8$$

- 4. physical mechanisms driving the tides
 - * so far we made no assumption on what drives the tide
 - * at least two possible mechanisms:



4.1 Equilibrium tides with convective damping

Turbulent viscosity in a convective envelope excites tides which are close to equilibrium

→ assumption of star in hydrostatic equilibrium
same formulas as discussed before

4.2 Dynamical tides with radiative damping

If radiative envelope turbulence is not efficient

Stellar oscillations driven by tidal forces: DYNAMICAL TIDE

(excited through GRAVITY WAVES – note: not gravitational waves)

Different equations (Zahn 1975, 1977, Ogilvie 2014)

Infrared

Tidal evolution

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$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\rm synch}} \propto \left(\frac{GM}{R^3}\right)^{1/2} q^2 \left(1+q\right)^{5/6} \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^{17/2}$$

CIRCULARIZATION TIMESCALE (Zahn 1977): time for reaching eccentricity = 0

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{\rm circ}} \propto \left(\frac{GM}{R^3}\right)^{1/2} q(q)^{11/6} \left(\frac{R}{a}\right)^{21/2}$$

Gravitational wave decay

Implemented in the simplest possible way with Peters 1964 formalism (see lecture 1)

produces both circularization and orbital decay

$$\frac{da}{dt} = -\frac{64}{5} \frac{G^3 M m (M+m)}{c^5 a^3 (1-e^2)^{7/2}} \left(1 + \frac{73}{24} e^2 + \frac{37}{96} e^4\right)$$
$$\frac{de}{dt} = -\frac{304}{15} e \frac{G^3 M m (M+m)}{c^5 a^4 (1-e^2)^{5/2}} \left(1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2\right)$$

Gravitational wave (GW) progenitors

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