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Fully Nonlinear and Exact Cosmological Perturbation Theory

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Newton's theory:

- ❖ Non-relativistic (no c)
 - Action at a distance, violate causality
 - $c=\infty$ limit of Einstein's gravity: 0th post-Newtonian limit
 - No horizon
 - Static nature
- ❖ No strong pressure
- ❖ No strong gravity
- ❖ No gravitational waves
- ❖ Incomplete and inconsistent

Einstein's gravity:

- ❖ Relativistic
- ❖ Strong gravity, dynamic
- ❖ Simplest

Perturbation method:

- ❖ Perturbation expansion
- ❖ All perturbation variables are small
- ❖ Weakly nonlinear
- ❖ Strong gravity; fully relativistic
- ❖ Valid in all scales
- ❖ Fully nonlinear and Exact perturbations [arXiv:1207.0264](https://arxiv.org/abs/1207.0264)

Post-Newtonian method:

- ❖ Abandon geometric spirit of GR: recover the good old absolute space and absolute time
- ❖ Newtonian equations of motion with GR corrections
- ❖ Expansion in strength of gravity

- ❖ Fully nonlinear $\frac{\delta\Phi}{c^2} \sim \frac{GM}{Rc^2} \sim \frac{v^2}{c^2} \ll 1$
- ❖ No strong gravity; weakly relativistic
- ❖ Valid far inside horizon
- ❖ Case of the Fully nonlinear and Exact perturbations

Relativistic vs. Nonlinear Plane of Large-scale Structure

Fully
Relativistic

Weakly
Relativistic

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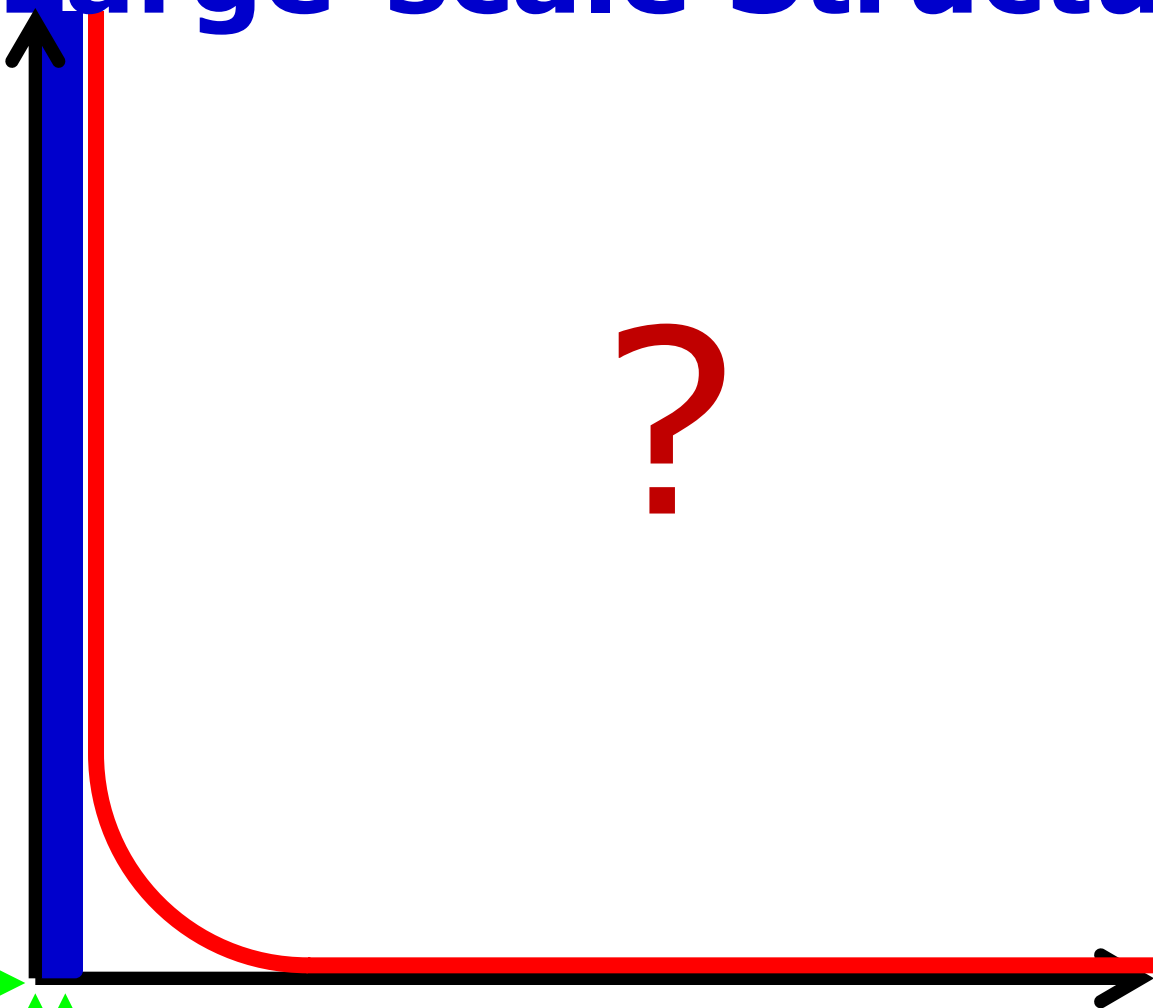
Newtonian
Gravity axis

Background World
Model axis

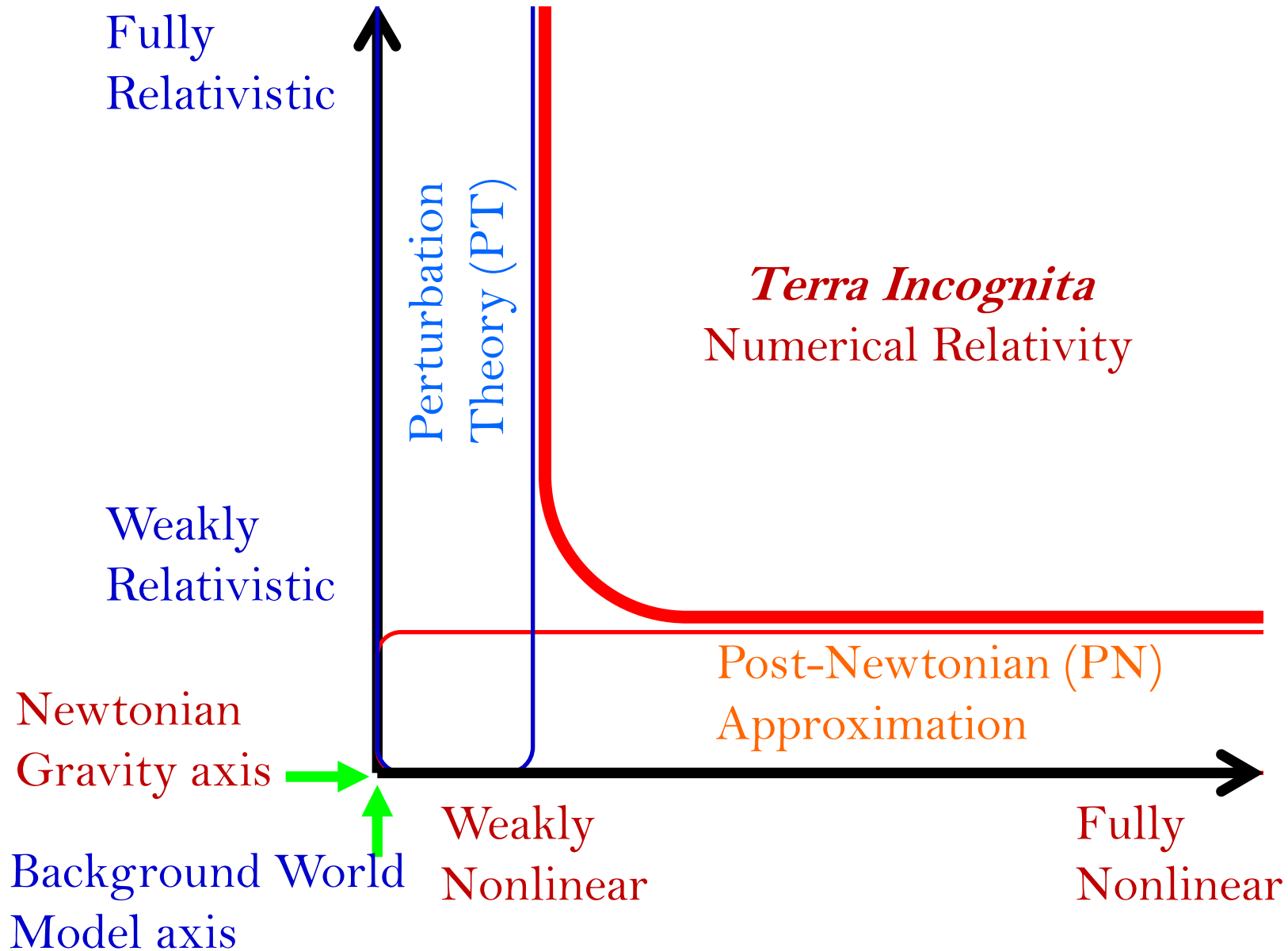
Weakly
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Fully
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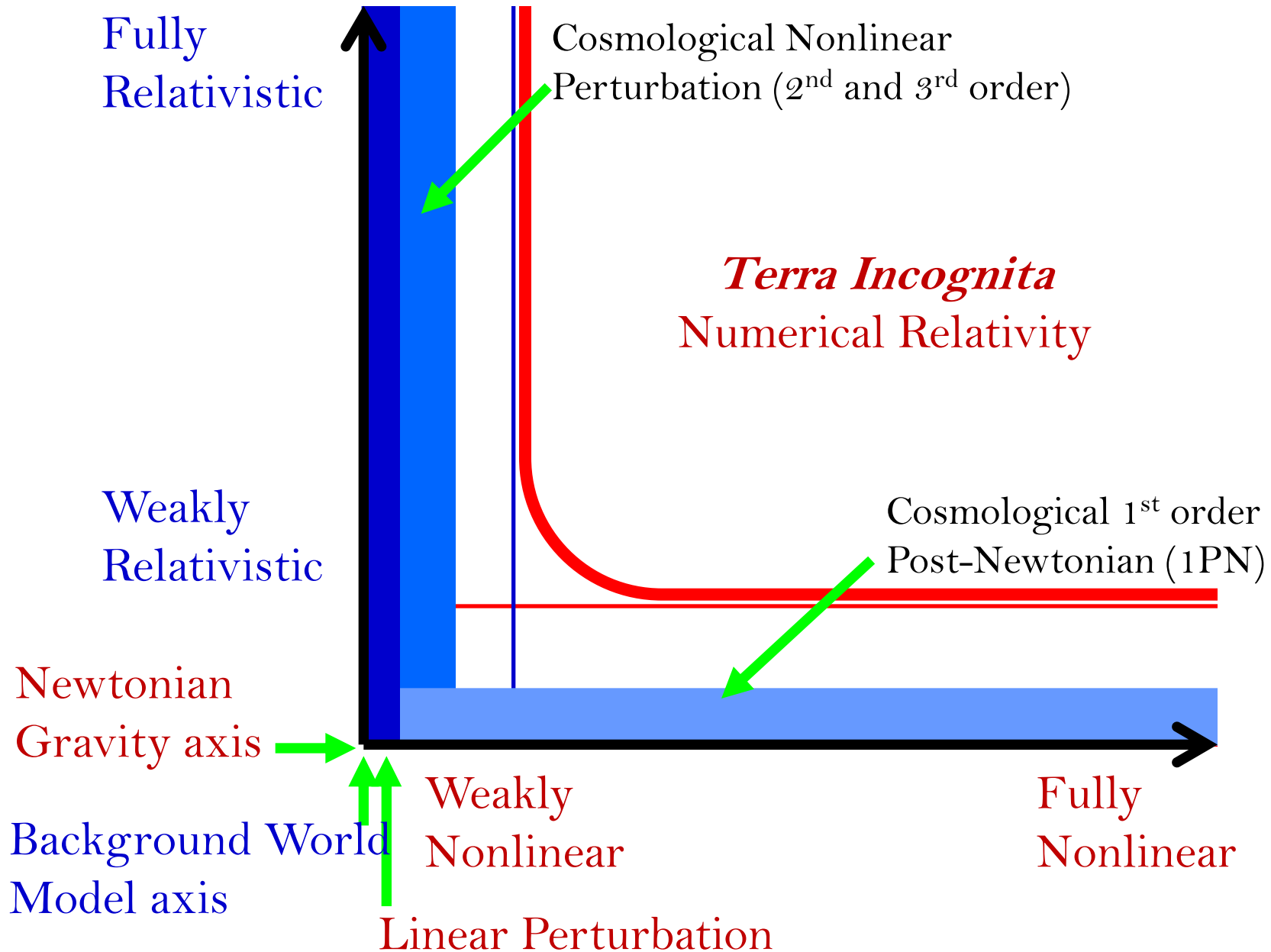
Linear Perturbation



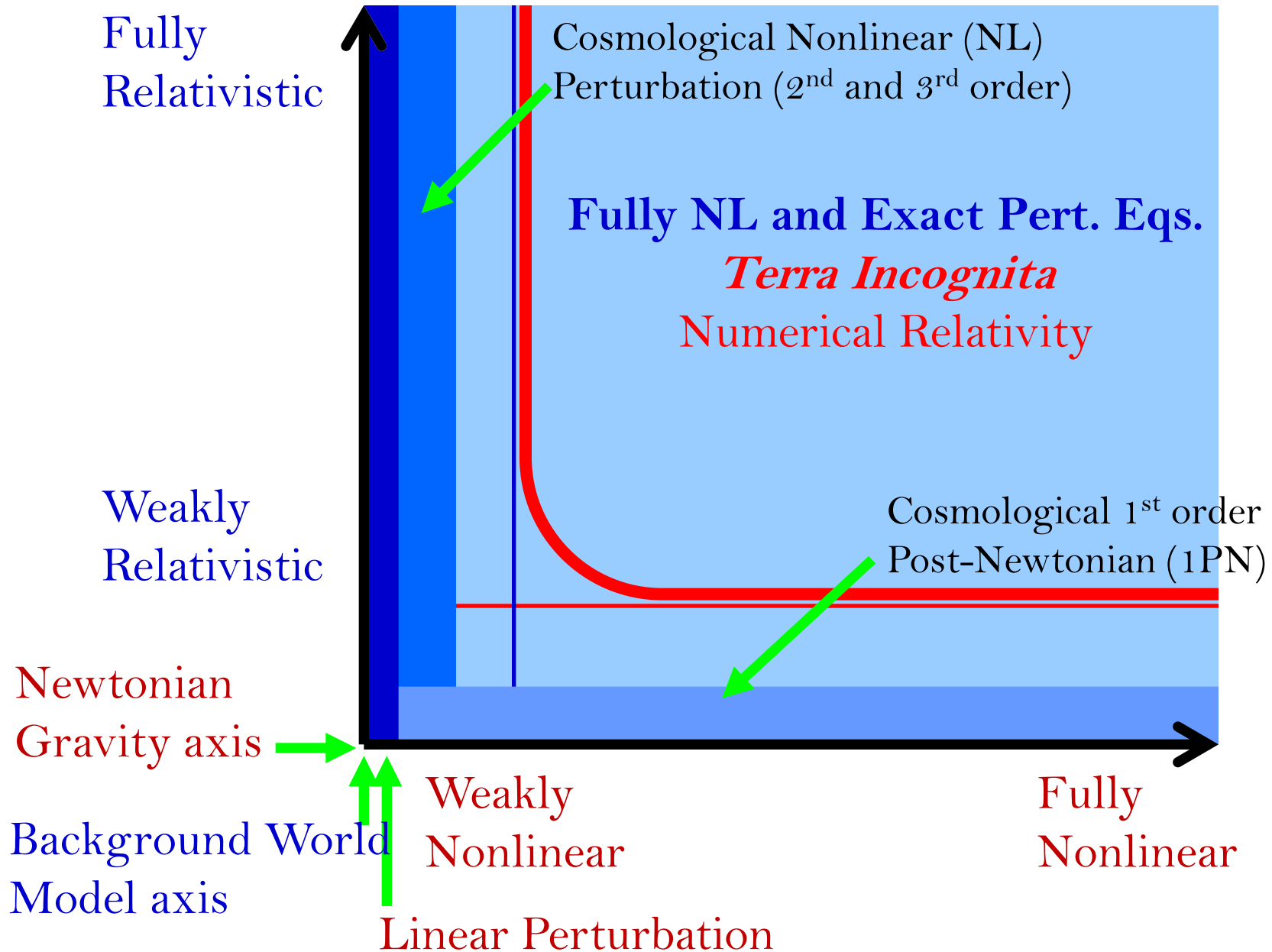
Perturbation vs. Post-Newtonian



Perturbation vs. Post-Newtonian



Fully NL and Exact Perturbation



Newtonian Theory

Newtonian perturbation equations:

Newtonian (OPN) metric: $ds^2 = - \left(1 - \frac{1}{c^2} 2U \right) c^2 dt^2 + a^2 \delta_{ij} dx^i dx^j$

Mass conservation: $\dot{\tilde{\rho}} + 3 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \tilde{\rho} + \frac{1}{a} \nabla \cdot (\tilde{\rho} \mathbf{v}) = 0,$

Momentum conservation: $\dot{\mathbf{v}} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{a} \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} - \frac{1}{a} \nabla U = - \frac{1}{\tilde{\rho}} \frac{1}{a} \nabla \tilde{p},$

Poisson's equation: $\frac{\Delta}{a^2} U = -4\pi G \delta \rho,$

Relativistic Theory

Convention: (Bardeen 1988, York 1973)

$$\begin{aligned}
 ds^2 = & -a^2 (1 + 2\alpha) d\eta^2 - 2a^2 \left(\beta_{,i} + B_i^{(v)} \right) d\eta dx^i \\
 & + a^2 \left[(1 + 2\varphi) \delta_{ij} + 2\gamma_{,ij} + \cancel{C_{i,j}^{(v)}} + \cancel{C_{j,i}^{(v)}} + 2\cancel{C_{ij}^{(t)}} \right] dx^i dx^j, \\
 \chi \equiv & a\beta + a^2 \cancel{\dot{\gamma}}, \quad \Psi_i^{(v)} \equiv B_i^{(v)} + a\cancel{\dot{C}_i^{(v)}},
 \end{aligned}$$

No tensor-pert.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{T}_{ab} = & \tilde{\mu} \tilde{u}_a \tilde{u}_b + \tilde{p} (\tilde{u}_a \tilde{u}_b + \tilde{g}_{ab}) + \tilde{\pi}_{ab}, \\
 \tilde{\mu} \equiv & \mu + \delta\mu \equiv \mu (1 + \delta), \quad \tilde{p} \equiv p + \delta p, \quad \tilde{u}_i \equiv av_i,
 \end{aligned}$$

No anisotropic stress

$$v_i \equiv -v_{,i} + v_i^{(v)},$$

Spatial gauge:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \gamma \equiv & 0 \equiv C_i^{(v)}, \\
 \chi_i \equiv & \chi_{,i} + a\Psi_i^{(v)} = a \left(\beta_{,i} + B_i^{(v)} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$



Complete spatial gauge fixing. Remaining variables are spatially gauge-invariant to fully NL order!

Metric convention:

$$\tilde{g}_{00} = -a^2 (1 + 2\alpha), \quad \tilde{g}_{0i} = -a\chi_i, \quad \tilde{g}_{ij} = a^2 (1 + 2\varphi) \delta_{ij},$$

Inverse metric:

$$\tilde{g}^{00} = -\frac{1}{a^2} \frac{1 + 2\varphi}{(1 + 2\varphi)(1 + 2\alpha) + \chi^k \chi_k / a^2}, \quad \tilde{g}^{0i} = -\frac{1}{a^2} \frac{\chi^i / a}{(1 + 2\varphi)(1 + 2\alpha) + \chi^k \chi_k / a^2},$$
$$\tilde{g}^{ij} = \frac{1}{a^2(1 + 2\varphi)} \left(\delta^{ij} - \frac{\chi^i \chi^j / a^2}{(1 + 2\varphi)(1 + 2\alpha) + \chi^k \chi_k / a^2} \right).$$

Energy-momentum tensor:

$$\tilde{T}_0^0 = -\tilde{\mu} - \frac{\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}}{1 + 2\varphi} \left(v^i v_i + \frac{1}{a\mathcal{N}} \chi^i v_i \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1 + 2\varphi}} \right), \quad \tilde{T}_i^0 = \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) v_i \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1 + 2\varphi}},$$

$$\tilde{T}_{ij} = a^2 [(1 + 2\varphi) \tilde{p} \delta_{ij} + (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) v_i v_j].$$

$$\mathcal{N} = \sqrt{1 + 2\alpha + \frac{\chi^k \chi_k}{a^2(1 + 2\varphi)}},$$

To linear order:

Perturbed Lapse Acceleration Curvature perturbation

$$N = 1 - \alpha, \quad a_i = \alpha_{,i}, \quad R^{(h)} = -4 \frac{\Delta}{a^2} \varphi$$

$$K_i^i = \frac{1}{c} (-3H + \kappa), \quad \bar{K}_{ij} = \left(\nabla_i \nabla_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \Delta \right) \chi,$$

Perturbed expansion Shear

Temporal gauge (slicing, hypersurface):

comoving gauge : $v \equiv 0,$

zero-shear gauge : $\chi \equiv 0,$

uniform-curvature gauge : $\varphi \equiv 0,$

uniform-expansion gauge : $\kappa \equiv 0,$

uniform-density gauge : $\delta \equiv 0,$

~~synchronous gauge : $\alpha \equiv 0.$~~

 Nonlinear order

Valid to NL order!



Complete gauge fixing, Remaining variables are gauge-invariant to fully NL order!

Equations to linear order **without** taking temporal gauge condition: (Bardeen 1988)

Definition of kappa, K^i_i

$$\kappa \equiv 3H\alpha - 3\dot{\varphi} - \frac{\Delta}{a^2}\chi,$$

ADM E-conservation, G^0_0

$$4\pi G\delta\mu + H\kappa + \frac{\Delta}{a^2}\varphi = 0,$$

ADM Mom-conservation, G^0_i

$$\kappa + \frac{\Delta}{a^2}\chi - 12\pi G(\mu + p)av = 0,$$

ADM propagation, trace, G^i_i

$$\dot{\kappa} + 2H\kappa - 4\pi G(\delta\mu + 3\delta p) + \left(3\dot{H} + \frac{\Delta}{a^2}\right)\alpha = 0,$$

ADM propagation, tracefree, $G^i_j - \dots$

$$\dot{\chi} + H\chi - \varphi - \alpha = 0,$$

E-conservation, $T^c_{0;c}$

$$\delta\dot{\mu} + 3H(\delta\mu + \delta p) - (\mu + p) \left(\kappa - 3H\alpha + \frac{1}{a}\Delta v \right) = 0,$$

Mom-conservation, $T^c_{i;c}$

$$\frac{[a^4(\mu + p)v]^{\cdot}}{a^4(\mu + p)} - \frac{1}{a}\alpha - \frac{\delta p}{a(\mu + p)} = 0,$$



Extended to fully Nonlinear order!

As an example:

E-conservation to NL order:

Covariant E-conservation

$$0 = \tilde{T}_{a;b}^b \tilde{u}^a = -\dot{\tilde{\mu}} - (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) \tilde{\theta},$$

$$0 = \tilde{T}_{a;b}^b \tilde{n}^a = \frac{1}{N} \tilde{T}_{0;b}^b - \frac{N^i}{N} \tilde{T}_{i;b}^b = -\frac{1}{N} (\tilde{u}_0 - N^i \tilde{u}_i) \tilde{T}_{a;b}^b \tilde{u}^a - \frac{1}{N} \left(\frac{\tilde{u}^i}{\tilde{u}^0} + N^i \right) \tilde{T}_{a;b}^b \tilde{h}_i^a,$$

E-conservation

ADM E-conservation

Covariant E-conservation:

$$\frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1 + 2\varphi}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\chi^i}{a^2(1 + 2\varphi)} \nabla_i \right) \tilde{\mu} + (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) (3H - \kappa) \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1 + 2\varphi}} = -\frac{1}{a(1 + 2\varphi)} \tilde{\mu}_{,i} v^i$$
$$- (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) \left[\frac{(\mathcal{N} v^i)_{,i}}{a\mathcal{N}(1 + 2\varphi)} + \frac{v^i \varphi_{,i}}{a(1 + 2\varphi)^2} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\chi^i}{a^2(1 + 2\varphi)} \nabla_i \right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1 + 2\varphi}} \right],$$

Covariant E-conservation:

$$\frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1+2\varphi}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\chi^i}{a^2(1+2\varphi)} \nabla_i \right) \tilde{\mu} + (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) (3H - \kappa) \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1+2\varphi}} = -\frac{1}{a(1+2\varphi)} \tilde{\mu}_{,i} v^i$$

$$- (\tilde{\mu} + \tilde{p}) \left[\frac{(\mathcal{N} v^i)_{,i}}{a\mathcal{N}(1+2\varphi)} + \frac{v^i \varphi_{,i}}{a(1+2\varphi)^2} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\chi^i}{a^2(1+2\varphi)} \nabla_i \right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1+2\varphi}} \right],$$

Comoving gauge + irrotational ($v^i = 0$) + zero-pressure:

$$\left(\frac{\dot{\mu}}{\mu} + 3H \right) (1 + \delta) + \dot{\delta} - \kappa = \delta\kappa - \frac{\chi^{,i} \delta_{,i}}{a^2(1+2\varphi)},$$

= 0, Background order

To 12th-order perturbation:

$$\dot{\delta} - \kappa = \delta\kappa - \frac{1}{a^2} \chi^{,i} \delta_{,i} \left(1 - 2\varphi + 4\varphi^2 - 8\varphi^3 + 16\varphi^4 - 32\varphi^5 \right. \\ \left. + 64\varphi^6 - 128\varphi^7 + 256\varphi^8 - 512\varphi^9 + 1024\varphi^{10} \right),$$

Newtonian Limit

$c \rightarrow \infty$ Limit in ZSG & UEG:

$$\alpha \ll 1, \quad \varphi \ll 1, \quad v^k v_k \ll 1, \quad \tilde{p} \ll \tilde{\rho} c^2. \quad \frac{c^2 \Delta}{a^2 H^2} \gg 1,$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{1} \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1+2\varphi}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{c\chi^i}{a^2(1+2\varphi)} \nabla_i \right) \tilde{\rho} + \left(\tilde{\rho} + \frac{\tilde{p}}{c^2} \right) \left(3\frac{\dot{a}}{a} - \kappa \right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1+2\varphi}} = -\frac{c}{a(1+2\varphi)} \tilde{\rho}_{,i} v^i \\ & - \left(\tilde{\rho} + \frac{\tilde{p}}{c^2} \right) \left[\frac{c(\mathcal{N}v^i)_{,i}}{a\mathcal{N}(1+2\varphi)} + \frac{cv^i \varphi_{,i}}{a(1+2\varphi)^2} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{N}} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{c\chi^i}{a^2(1+2\varphi)} \nabla_i \right) \sqrt{1 + \frac{v^k v_k}{1+2\varphi}} \right], \end{aligned}$$

ZSG

Covariant E-conservation

$$\alpha = -\frac{1}{c^2} U, \quad \varphi = \frac{1}{c^2} V, \quad v^k = \frac{1}{c} \mathbf{v},$$

$$\kappa = -\frac{12\pi G \rho a}{c^2 \Delta} \nabla \cdot [(1 + \delta) \mathbf{v}],$$

ADM momentum-constraint

$$\varphi = -\alpha.$$

Tracefree ADM propagation

$$\rightarrow \quad \dot{\tilde{\rho}} + 3\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \tilde{\rho} + \frac{1}{a} \nabla \cdot (\tilde{\rho} \mathbf{v}) = 0$$

Case with relativistic pressure:

$$\alpha \ll 1, \quad \varphi \ll 1, \quad v^k v_k \ll 1, \quad \tilde{p} \ll \tilde{\rho} c^2. \quad \frac{c^2 \Delta}{a^2 H^2} \gg 1,$$



$$\dot{\tilde{\rho}} + 3 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \left(\tilde{\rho} + \frac{\tilde{p}}{c^2} \right) + \frac{1}{a} \nabla \cdot (\tilde{\rho} \mathbf{v}) = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{1}{a} (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \tilde{p} - \tilde{p} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}),$$

$$\dot{\mathbf{v}} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \mathbf{v} + \frac{1}{a} \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \mathbf{v} - \frac{1}{a} \nabla U = - \frac{1}{\tilde{\rho} + \tilde{p}/c^2} \left(\frac{1}{a} \nabla \tilde{p} + \frac{\dot{\tilde{p}}}{c^2} \mathbf{v} \right),$$

$$\frac{\Delta}{a^2} U = -4\pi G \left(\delta \tilde{\rho} + 3 \frac{\delta \tilde{p}}{c^2} \right),$$

Previous works were not successful in guessing the correct form.

(McCrea 1951; Harrison 1965; Coles & Lucchin 1995; Lima et al. 1997; Harko 2011)

Post-Newtonian Limit

1PN convention: (Chandrasekhar 1965)

$$ds^2 = - \left[1 - \frac{1}{c^2} 2U + \frac{1}{c^4} (2U^2 - 4\Phi) \right] c^2 dt^2 - \frac{1}{c^3} 2aP_i c dt dx^i + a^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{c^2} 2V \right) \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j,$$

$$\tilde{\mu} \equiv \mu \equiv \rho c^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{c^2} \Pi \right), \quad \tilde{p} = p, \quad \tilde{u}^i \equiv \frac{1}{c} \frac{1}{a} \bar{v}^i \tilde{u}^0,$$

Identification:

$$\alpha = -\frac{1}{c^2} \left[U - \frac{1}{c^2} (U^2 - 2\Phi) \right], \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{PT} \\ \downarrow \\ \varphi = \frac{1}{c^2} V, \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{1PN} \\ \downarrow \\ \kappa = -\frac{1}{c^2} \left(3\frac{\dot{a}}{a} U + 3\dot{V} + \frac{1}{a} P^k{}_{,k} \right), \end{array}$$

$$\chi_i = \frac{1}{c^3} a P_i, \quad v_i = \frac{1}{c} \left\{ \bar{v}_i + \frac{1}{c^2} \left[\bar{v}_i \left(\frac{1}{2} \bar{v}^2 + U + 2V \right) - P_i \right] \right\},$$



1PN equations! (JH, Noh & Puetzfeld 2008)

Covariant E-conservation:

$$\frac{1}{a^3} (a^3 \rho)^\cdot + \frac{1}{a} (\rho \bar{v}^i)_{|i} = -\frac{1}{c^2} \left[\rho \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{a} \bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \nabla \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \bar{v}^2 + 3U + \Pi \right) + \left(3\frac{\dot{a}}{a} + \frac{1}{a} \nabla \cdot \bar{\mathbf{v}} \right) p \right],$$

Fully NL and exact cosmological pert.:

1. Formulation [arXiv:1207.0264](#)
2. Multi-component fluids
3. Minimally coupled scalar field
4. Newtonian limit [arXiv:1210.0676](#)
5. Relativistic pressure
6. 1PN equations

Future extentions:

1. Anisotropic stress \Rightarrow Relativistic magneto-hydrodynamics
2. Background curvature
3. Light propagation (geodesic, Boltzmann)
4. 2 and higher-PN equations
5. Gauge-invariant combinations

Applications:

1. NL perturbations
2. Fitting and Averaging
3. Backreaction
4. Relativistic cosmological numerical simulation



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