GR 8: Main talk: Experimental Gravitation

Time: Tuesday 10:30–11:15

Invited Talk	GR 8.1	Tue 10:30	SPA SR220
Measuring the frame-drag	ging effect	with LAGE	OS, LARES
and other satellites — $\bullet Rc$	olf Koenig –	- GFZ, Ober	pfaffenhofen

During recent years quite some efforts are made to measure the framedragging effect by Earth's rotation or the Lense-Thirring effect by evaluating Satellite Laser Ranging (SLR) tracking data to the LAGEOS satellites and newly available gravity field models coming up with the GRACE mission. The accuracy of these attempts can be assessed at about 10 %, the new LARES mission is supposed to improve this to about 1 %. The technique of how this can be done and various error aspects of it are outlined and discussed. In particular the influence of the gravity field model, the solid Earth tides model, and the ocean tides model are illuminated. On the example of the GALILEO constellation the impact of radiation pressure mis-modelling is demonstrated. Also recent results based on up-to-date gravity field models are compared to earlier results.

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