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Solar system analysis of a polynomial class of Palatini f(R) gravity

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It is made a post-Newtonian analysis of a class of Palatini f(R) theories of gravity where the lagrangian density is assumed to be a polynomial function of the Ricci scalar. The resulting metric is not covered by the classical parametrized post-Newtonian formalism (PPN) since new gravitational potentials emerges. I will then discuss post-Newtonian equations of motion of massive bodies and light rays to see whether deviations from general relativity can be used to determine upper bound limits to Palatini F(R) gravity according to tests performed in the solar system.

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