

Lectures on Gravitational-Wave Astronomy

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General Relativity

- Space-time geometry described by metric

$$ds^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

- Non-gravitational physics uses “**covariant derivative**”, adapted to curved spacetime.

$$F_{\mu\nu} = \nabla_\mu A_\nu - \nabla_\nu A_\mu$$

$$\nabla_\mu F^{\mu\nu} = J^\nu$$

- Geometry is **curved** by energy/momentum content of spacetime.

a lot of calculus

$$g_{\mu\nu} \longrightarrow G_{\mu\nu} \quad G_{\mu\nu} \sim R_{\mu\nu} \sim R_{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \sim \frac{1}{\mathcal{R}^2}$$

Einstein's Equation

$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi T_{\mu\nu}$$

- **Gauge freedom:** different $g_{\mu\nu}(x^\alpha)$ may correspond to the same spacetime since they may be related by coordinate transformations.

Gravitational Waves are Linear Perturbations

- Linear perturbations of Minkowski geometry

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{h}{2}\eta_{\mu\nu}, \quad h = h_{\mu\nu}\eta^{\mu\nu}$$

- Gauge Freedom

$$x^\alpha \rightarrow x^\alpha + \xi^\alpha$$

$$h_{\alpha\beta} \rightarrow h_{\alpha\beta} - \xi_{\alpha,\beta} - \xi_{\beta,\alpha}$$

- Obtain Einstein Tensor

$$G_{\alpha\beta} = \bar{R}_{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{2} \left[-\bar{h}_{\alpha\beta,\mu}{}^{,\mu} - \eta_{\alpha\beta} \bar{h}_{\mu\nu}{}^{,\mu\nu} + \bar{h}_{\alpha\mu}{}^{,\mu}{}_{,\beta} + \bar{h}_{\beta\mu}{}^{,\mu}{}_{,\alpha} \right] = 8\pi T_{\alpha\beta}$$

(one can choose Lorenz gauge) $\bar{h}^{\alpha\beta}{}_{,\beta} = 0$

- Linearized Einstein's Equation

$$\square \bar{h}_{\alpha\beta} = -16\pi T_{\alpha\beta}$$

The TT Gauge

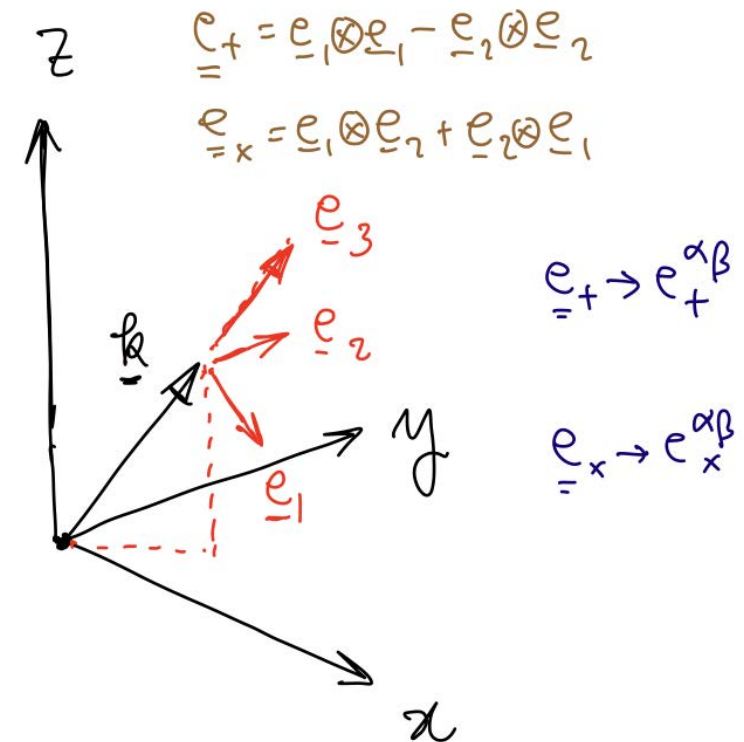
- For a plane wave along the z direction, we can choose a gauge like

$$\|h_{\alpha\beta}(t, x, y, z)\| = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_+(t-z) & h_\times(t-z) & 0 \\ 0 & h_\times(t-z) & -h_+(t-z) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- In general, if wave vector is \mathbf{k}
 - Find orthonormal basis $(\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3)$ with $\mathbf{e}_3 = \mathbf{k}$
 - Define
 - $\mathbf{e}_+ = \mathbf{e}_1 \otimes \mathbf{e}_1 - \mathbf{e}_2 \otimes \mathbf{e}_2$
 - $\mathbf{e}_\times = \mathbf{e}_1 \otimes \mathbf{e}_2 + \mathbf{e}_2 \otimes \mathbf{e}_1$

$$h_+ = \frac{1}{2} h_{ij} e_+^{ij}, \quad h_\times = \frac{1}{2} h_{ij} e_\times^{ij}$$

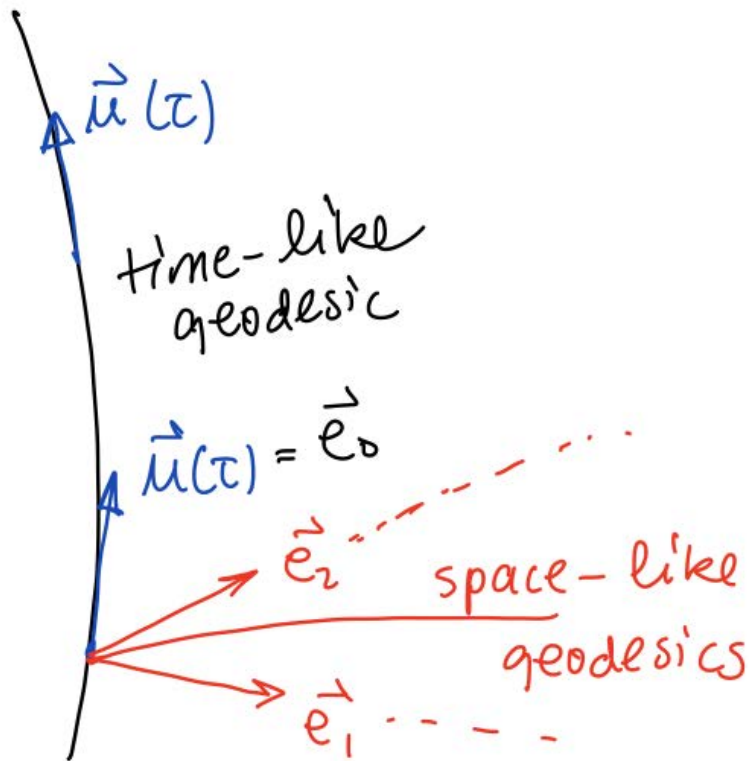
[only keep transverse traceless components]



Effect of GW on Freely Falling Objects

$$ds^2 = -(1 + R_{0l0m}x^l x^m)dt^2 - \frac{4}{3}R_{0ljm}x^l x^m dt^j dt + \left(\delta_{jk} - \frac{1}{3}R_{jlk m}x^l x^m \right) dx^j dx^k$$

$$R_{0l0m} = -\frac{1}{2}\ddot{h}_{lm}^{\text{TT}} \sim \frac{h}{\lambda^2}, \quad R_{0jlm} \sim R_{jlk m} \sim \frac{h}{\lambda^2}$$



Fermi Normal Coordinates

- In this gauge (coordinate system):

- **Local Lorentz Frame** [metric is flat up to $O(x/\lambda)^2$]
- For $L \ll \lambda_{\text{GW}}/(2\pi)$, main effect is objects feel tidal gravity force:

$$\ddot{x}^j = \frac{F^j}{M} - R_{0l0j}x^l = \frac{F^j}{M} + \frac{\ddot{h}_{lj}^{\text{TT}}}{2}x^l$$

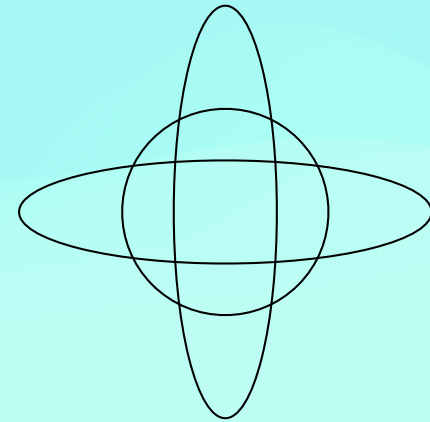
$$\delta x = \frac{h_{lj}^{\text{TT}}}{2}x^j$$

Polarizations of Gravitational Waves

$$\ddot{x}^j = \frac{F^j}{M} - R_{0l0j}x^l = \frac{F^j}{M} + \frac{\ddot{h}_{lj}^{\text{TT}}}{2}x^l \quad \delta x = \frac{h_{lj}^{\text{TT}}}{2}x^j$$

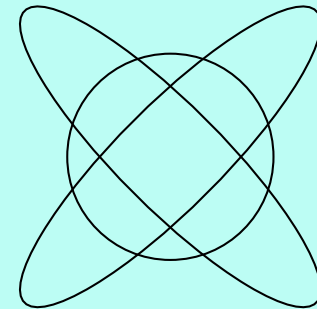
+ polarization

$$h_{xx} = -h_{yy} = h_+$$



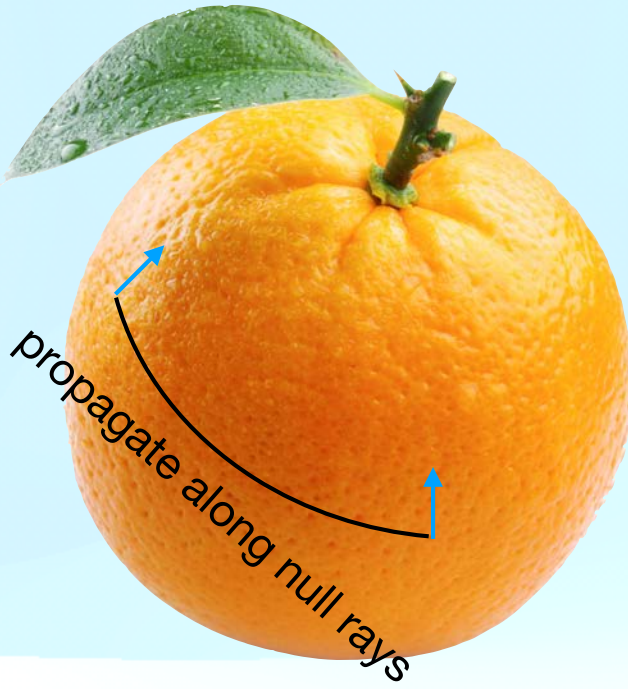
× polarization

$$h_{xy} = h_{yx} = h_\times$$



plane perpendicular to propagation direction

Wave Propagation on Curved Background (I)



$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^B + h_{\mu\nu} \quad \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\alpha h_{\mu\nu} + 2 {}^B R^\alpha{}_{\mu\nu}{}^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

Short-wavelength Approximation:

$$h_{\mu\nu} = A_{\mu\nu} e^{i\Phi/\epsilon}$$

$$k_\alpha = \nabla_\alpha \Phi \quad k_\alpha k^\alpha = 0 \quad k^\alpha \nabla_\alpha k^\beta = 0$$

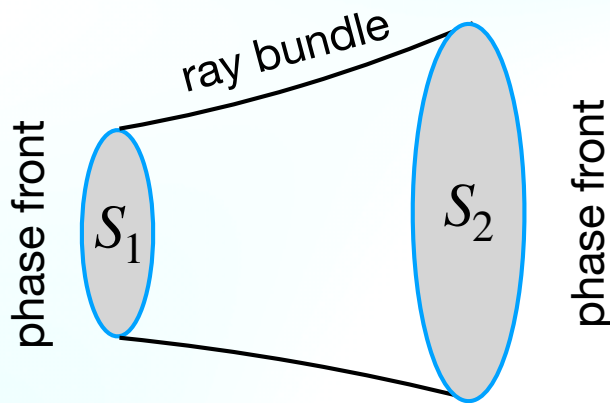
phase Φ constant along **null rays**, with tangent vector field k^α

$$A_{\mu\nu} = e_{\mu\nu} A, \quad e_{\mu\nu} e^{\mu\nu} = 2, \quad e_{\mu\nu} = e_{\nu\mu}, \quad e_{\mu\nu} k^\mu = 0$$

decomposed into **amplitude** A and **polarization tensor** $e_{\mu\nu}$

$$k^\alpha \nabla_\alpha e_{\mu\nu} = 0, \quad k^\alpha \nabla_\alpha A = -\frac{1}{2} A \nabla_\alpha k^\alpha$$

polarization tensor **parallel transported**; amplitude decays $\sim 1/\sqrt{S}$



$$A_2 = A_1 \frac{\sqrt{S_1}}{\sqrt{S_2}}$$

Wave Propagation on Curved Background (II)



$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^B + h_{\mu\nu} \quad \nabla^\alpha \nabla_\alpha h_{\mu\nu} + 2 {}^B R^\alpha{}_{\mu\nu}{}^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

- Existence of wave cause second-order correction

$$g_{\alpha\beta} = g_{\alpha\beta}^B + \epsilon h_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)} + \epsilon^2 h_{\alpha\beta}^{(2)}$$

- ... because Einstein's equation is nonlinear

$$G_{\mu\nu} = G_{\mu\nu}^B + \epsilon G_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}[h_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)}] + \epsilon^2 G_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}[h_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)}] + \epsilon^2 G_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}[h_{\alpha\beta}^{(2)}]$$

- Second-order perturbation is **quadratic** in first-order perturbation

$$G_{\mu\nu}^{(1)}[h_{\alpha\beta}^{(2)}] = - G_{\mu\nu}^{(2)}[h_{\alpha\beta}^{(1)}] \quad h^{(2)} \sim h^{(1)}h^{(1)} \quad \text{double frequency or zero frequency}$$

- Average over wavelength provides “energy-momentum content of GW”.

$$T_{\mu\nu}^{\text{GW}} = \frac{1}{32\pi} \left\langle h_{\alpha\beta|\mu}^{\text{TT}} h_{\text{TT}|\nu}^{\alpha\beta} \right\rangle$$

$$\frac{1}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{GW}}^2} \sim \frac{h^2}{\lambda_{\text{GW}}}$$

GW from Binary Stars

$$\square \bar{h}_{\alpha\beta} = -16\pi T_{\alpha\beta}$$

Using **retarded potential**: gravitational radiation is caused by **stress**

$$h_{jk}^{\text{TT}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = 4 \left[\int \frac{T_{jk}(t - |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|, \mathbf{x}')}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}'|} d^3\mathbf{x}' \right]^{\text{TT}}$$

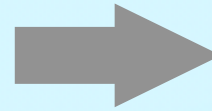
... and energy-momentum conservation, within mass-quadrupole approximation,
radiation caused by change in mass-quadrupole moment

$$h_{jk}^{\text{TT}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = \left[\frac{2\ddot{I}_{jk}(t - r)}{r} \right]^{\text{TT}}$$

$$I_{jk} = \int d^3\mathbf{x} \rho(\mathbf{x}) x_j x_k$$

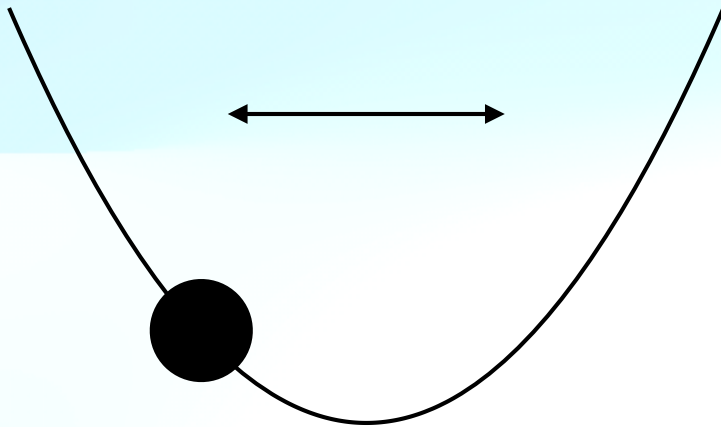
Harmonic Oscillator?

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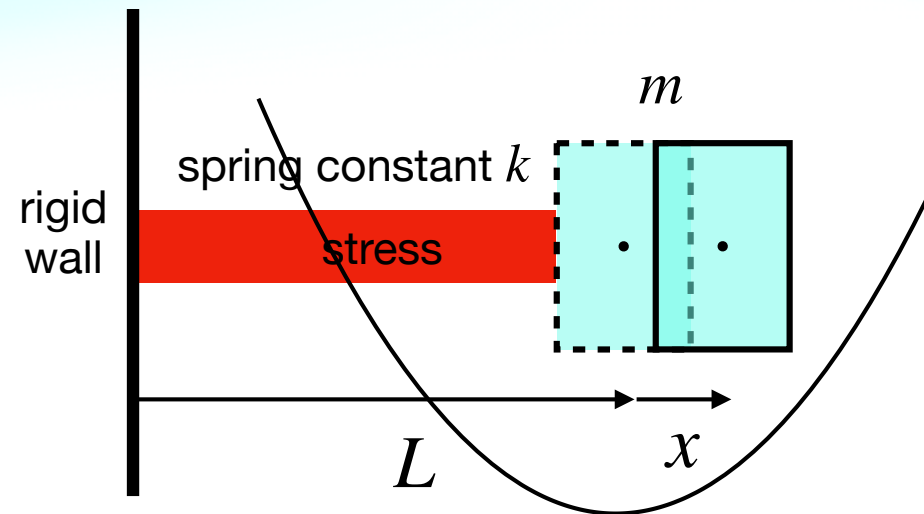
... what about this harmonic oscillator?



$$H = \frac{p^2}{2m} + \frac{m\omega^2 x^2}{2}$$

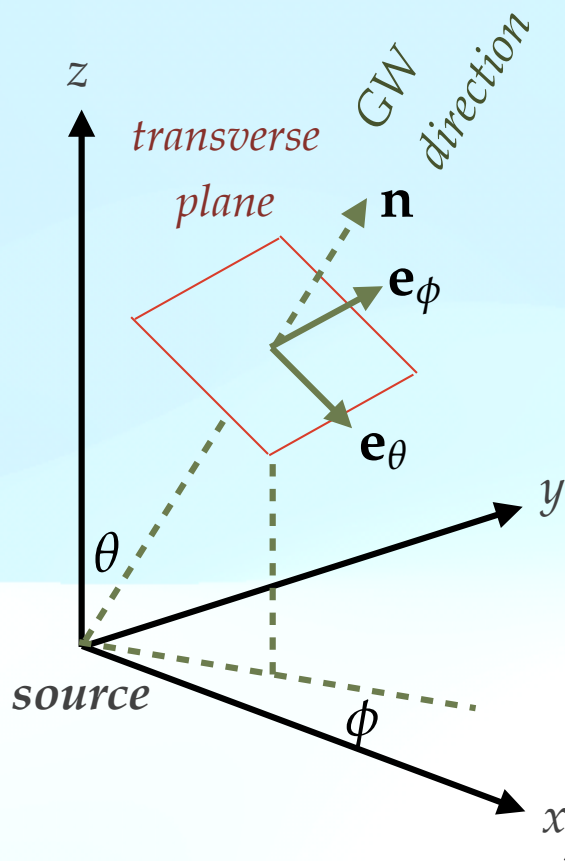
$$I_{xx} = mx^2?$$

... actually depends on how the “potential” is created



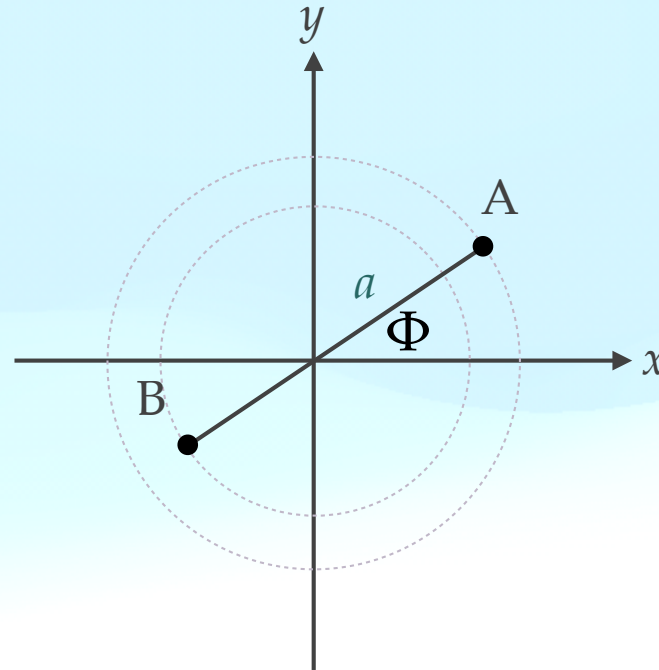
$$I_{xx} = m(L + x)^2$$

Binary Stars in Circular Orbits



$$\bar{h}^{jk} = +2 \left[\frac{\ddot{I}^{jk}(t-r)}{r} \right]$$

$$h_+ = \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}^{jk} e_{jk}^+, \quad h_\times = \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}^{jk} e_{jk}^\times.$$



$$M = M_A + M_B,$$

$$\mu = \frac{M_A M_B}{M},$$

$$\eta \equiv \frac{\mu}{M}.$$

Keplerian Motion

$$\dot{\Phi} = \Omega = \sqrt{\frac{M}{a^3}}$$

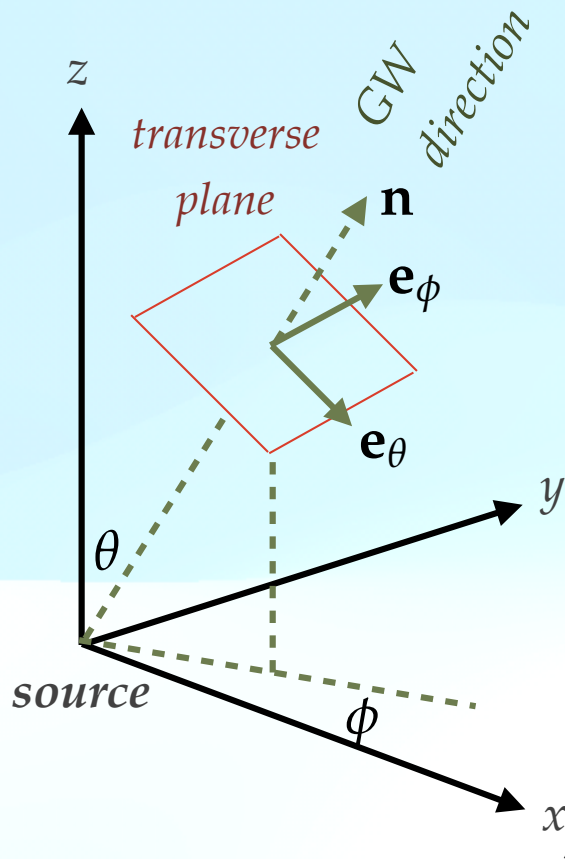
$$I_{xx} = \mu a^2 \cos^2 \Phi, \quad I_{yy} = \mu a^2 \sin^2 \Phi,$$

$$I_{xy} = I_{yx} = \mu a^2 \cos \Phi \sin \Phi$$

$$h_+ = -2(1 + \cos^2 \theta) \frac{\mu \Omega^2 a^2 \cos 2\Phi}{r}$$

$$h_\times = -4 \cos \theta \frac{\mu \Omega^2 a^2 \sin 2\Phi}{r}$$

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Optimally Oriented: $\theta = 0$

$$h_+ \sim h_\times \sim 4 \frac{\mu \Omega^2 a^2}{r} \sim 4 \frac{\mu v^2}{r} \sim \frac{M v^2}{r}$$

$$M_\odot \sim 1.5 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

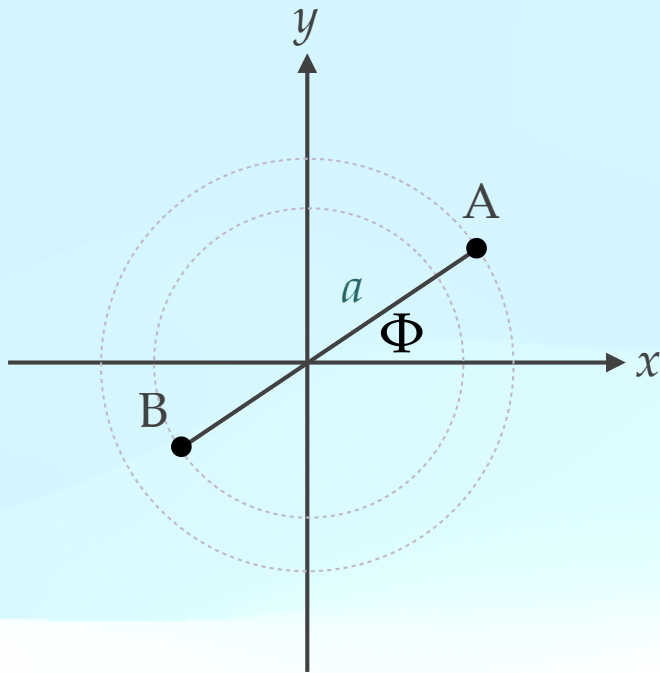
$$\text{Mpc} \sim 3 \times 10^{22} \text{ m}$$

$$\bar{h}^{jk} = +2 \left[\frac{\ddot{I}^{jk}(t-r)}{r} \right]$$

$$h_+ = \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}^{jk} e_{jk}^+, \quad h_\times = \frac{1}{2} \bar{h}^{jk} e_{jk}^\times.$$

$$h \sim 5 \times 10^{-21} \left(\frac{M}{100 M_\odot} \right) \left(\frac{100 \text{ Mpc}}{r} \right) \left(\frac{v^2}{0.1} \right)$$

Back Reaction!



Keplerian Motion

$$\dot{\Phi} = \Omega = \sqrt{\frac{M}{a^3}}$$

$$v = \sqrt{M/a} = (M\Omega)^{1/3}$$

$$E_{\text{motion}} = -\frac{\mu M}{2a}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{\text{GW}} &= \frac{1}{5} \langle \ddot{\mathbf{I}}_{jk} \ddot{\mathbf{I}}^{jk} \rangle \\ &= \frac{32}{\pi} \frac{\mu^2}{M^2} (M\Omega)^{10/3} \end{aligned}$$

Energy carried
by GW per unit
time

Adiabatic Approach: assuming that orbit remains nearly **Keplerian**, but with slowly varying parameters.

$$\frac{dE_{\text{motion}}}{dt} = - \left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right)_{\text{GW}}$$

$$\frac{\dot{\Omega}}{\Omega^2} = \frac{96}{5} \left(\frac{\mu}{M}\right) (M\Omega)^{5/3}$$

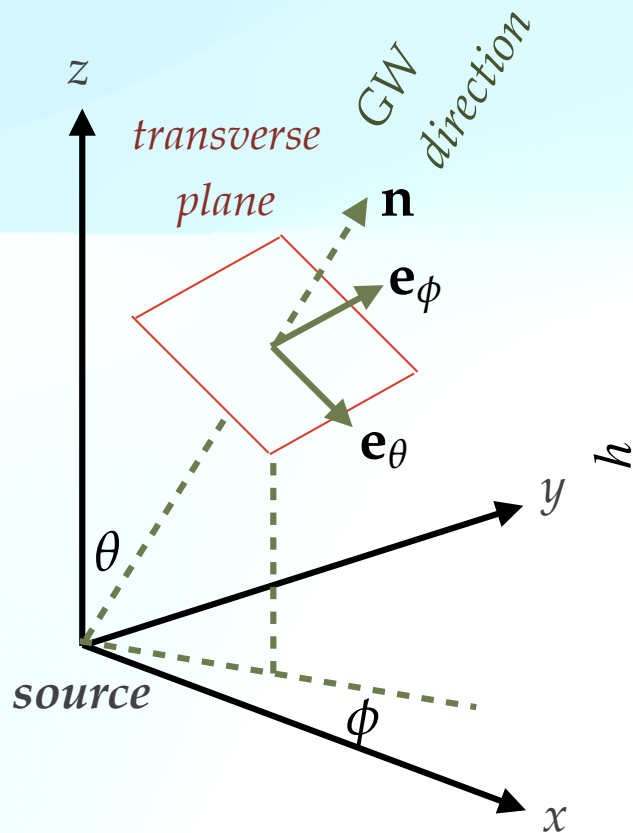
$$\dot{\Omega} \equiv \frac{\Omega}{\tau_R} \Rightarrow \frac{\dot{\Omega}}{\Omega^2} = \frac{1}{\Omega \tau_R} = \frac{\tau_{\text{orb}}}{\tau_R} \sim v^5$$

The Newtonian Chirp

$$\frac{\dot{\Omega}}{\Omega^2} = \frac{96}{5} \left(\frac{\mu}{M} \right) (M\Omega)^{5/3} \Rightarrow \Omega(t) = \left[\frac{5}{256\mu M^{2/3}(t_0 - t)} \right]^{3/8}$$

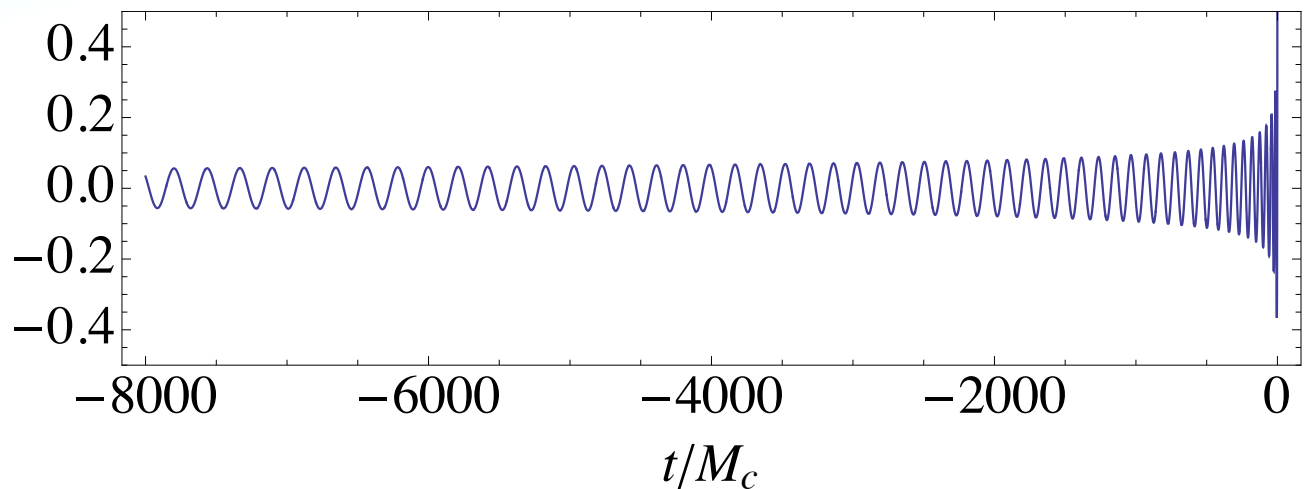
frequency becomes
infinite within finite
amount of time

$$\Phi(t) = \int^t dt' \Omega(t')$$



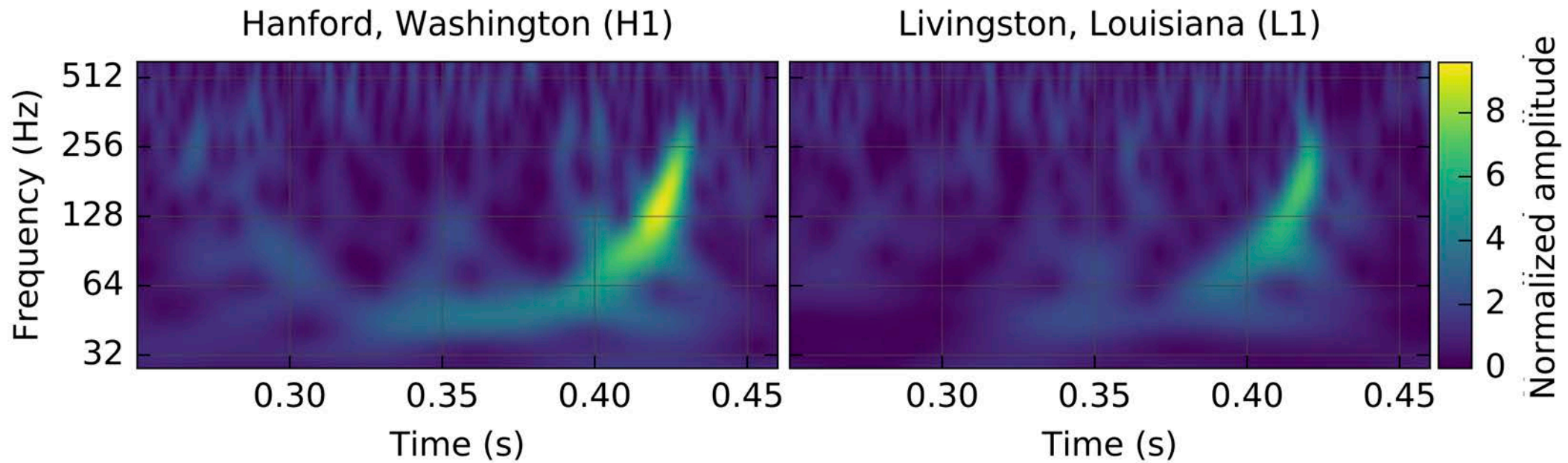
$$h_+ = -2(1 + \cos^2 \theta) \frac{\mu(M\Omega)^{2/3} \cos 2\Phi}{r}$$

$$h_\times = -4 \cos \theta \frac{\mu(M\Omega)^{2/3} \sin 2\Phi}{r}$$

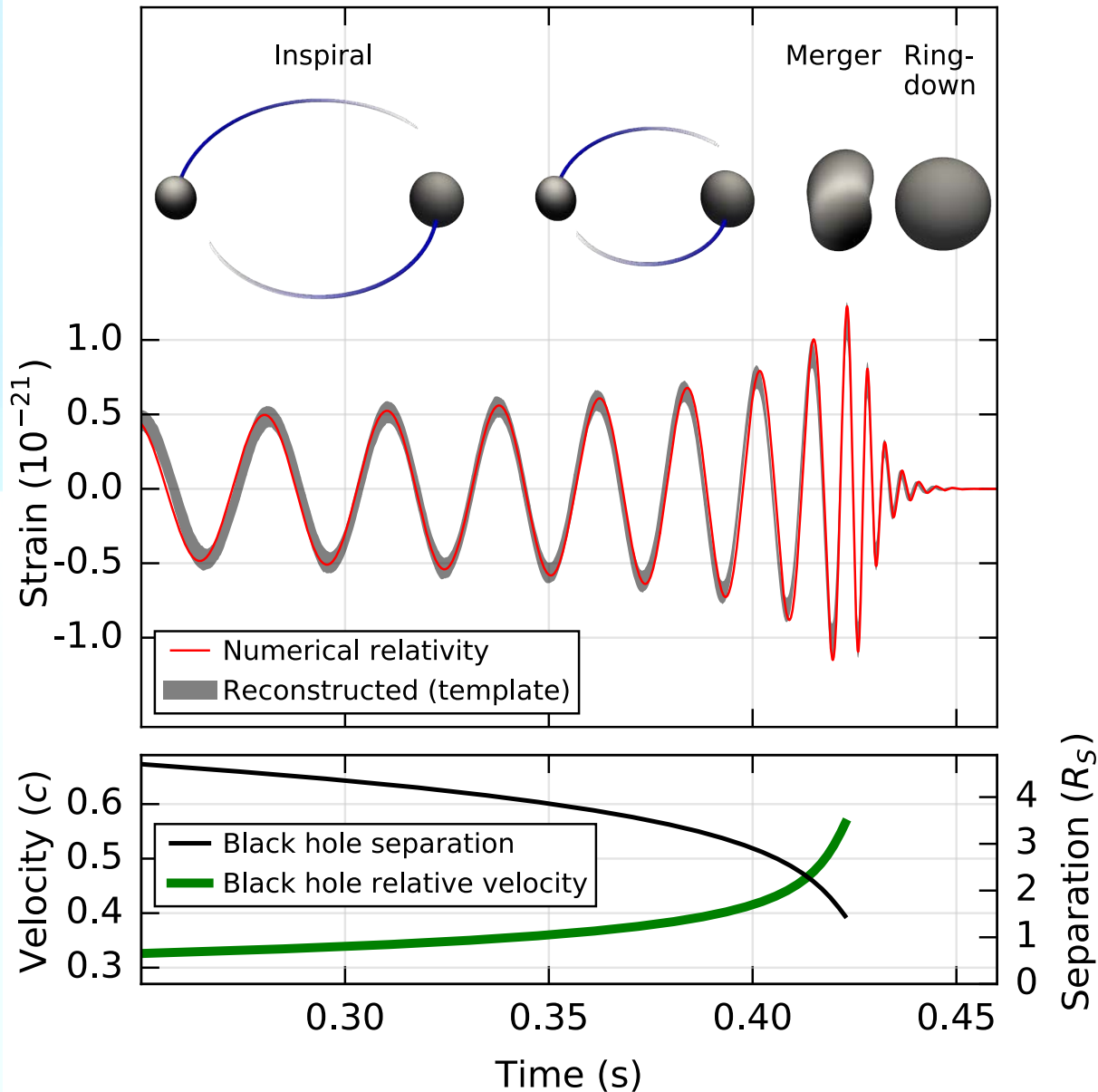


$$M_c \equiv M\eta^{3/5} \equiv M(\mu/M)^{3/5} \quad \text{the "Chirp Mass"}$$

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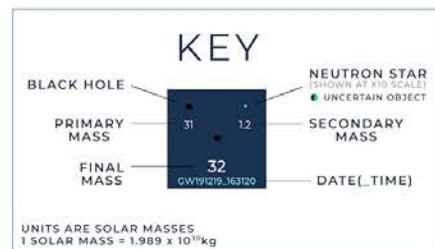
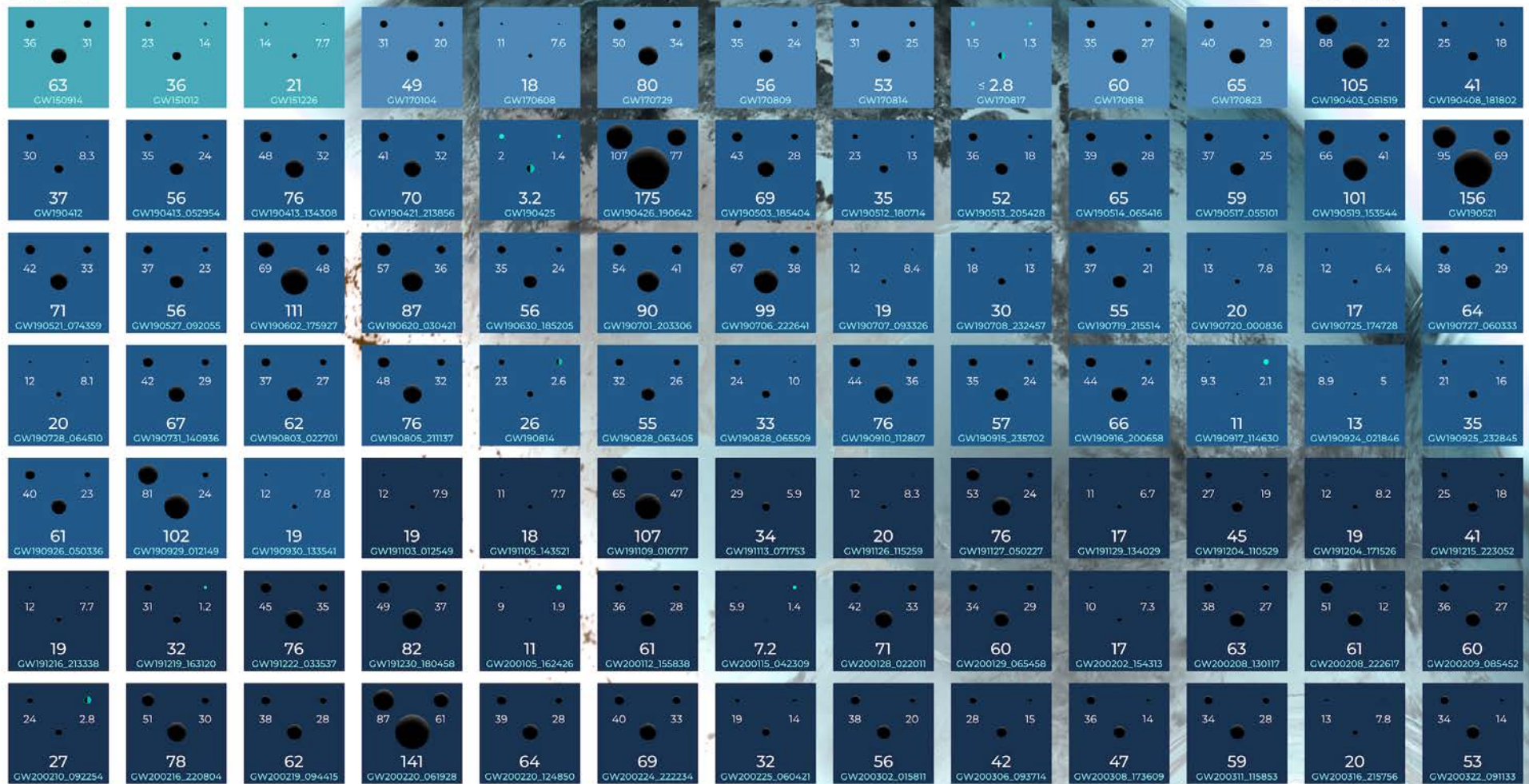


Primary black hole mass	$36^{+5}_{-4} M_{\odot}$
Secondary black hole mass	$29^{+4}_{-4} M_{\odot}$
Final black hole mass	$62^{+4}_{-4} M_{\odot}$
Final black hole spin	$0.67^{+0.05}_{-0.07}$
Luminosity distance	410^{+160}_{-180} Mpc
Source redshift z	$0.09^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$

**OBSERVING
01**
2015 - 2016

02
2016 - 2017

03a+b
2019 - 2020



GRAVITATIONAL WAVE MERGER DETECTIONS

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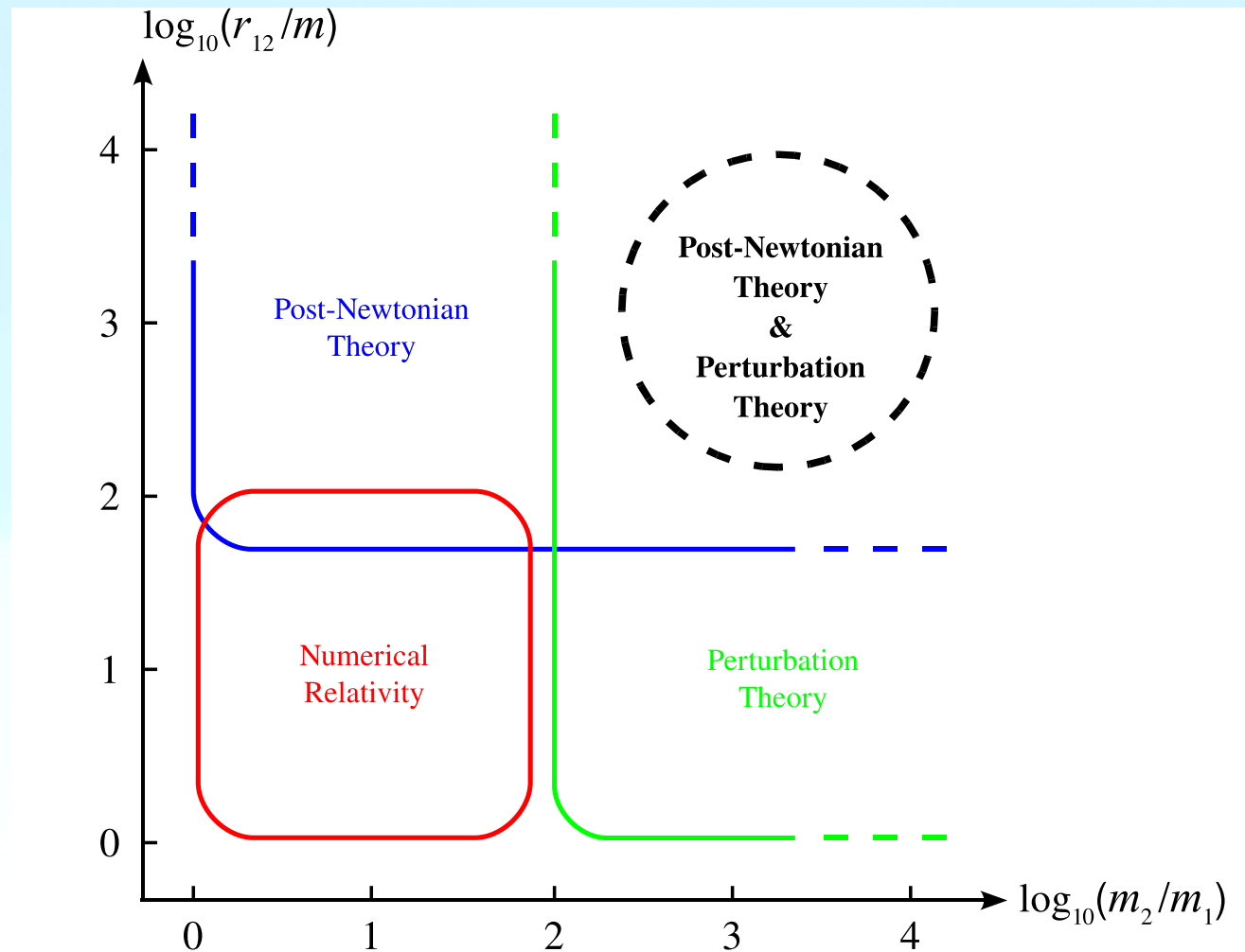
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Extensions to the Newtonian Chirp

- Eccentric orbits.
- Higher v/c and $GM/(rc^2)$ corrections to Newtonian physics.
- Finite-Size effects related to spins, tidal effects, and natures of neutron stars and black holes
- Mergers of the two objects to a final neutron star or black hole

Extensions to the Newtonian Chirp



[L. Blanchet, Living Reviews of Relativity]

Post-Newtonian Dynamics

Full Einstein's equation in “wave equation form”

$$\mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta} = \sqrt{-g} g^{\alpha\beta}, \quad \bar{h}^{\mu\nu} \equiv \eta^{\mu\nu} - \mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu}$$

Choose Harmonic gauge (Lorenz gauge): $\mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta}{}_{,\beta} = 0$

$$\mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta} \bar{h}^{\mu\nu}{}_{,\alpha\beta} = (-16\pi) [(-g)T^{\mu\nu} + (-g)t_{\text{LL}}^{\mu\nu}] - \bar{h}^{\alpha\nu}{}_{,\beta} \bar{h}^{\mu\beta}{}_{,\alpha}$$

Landau-Lifshitz pseudotensor

$$\begin{aligned} (-g) t_{\text{L-L}}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{1}{16\pi} \bigg\{ & \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta}{}_{,\lambda} \mathfrak{g}^{\lambda\mu}{}_{,\mu} - \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\lambda}{}_{,\lambda} \mathfrak{g}^{\beta\mu}{}_{,\mu} + \frac{1}{2} g^{\alpha\beta} g_{\lambda\mu} \mathfrak{g}^{\lambda\nu}{}_{,\rho} \mathfrak{g}^{\rho\mu}{}_{,\nu} \\ & - (g^{\alpha\lambda} g_{\mu\nu} \mathfrak{g}^{\beta\nu}{}_{,\rho} \mathfrak{g}^{\mu\rho}{}_{,\lambda} + g^{\beta\lambda} g_{\mu\nu} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\nu}{}_{,\rho} \mathfrak{g}^{\mu\rho}{}_{,\lambda}) + g_{\lambda\mu} g^{\nu\rho} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\lambda}{}_{,\nu} \mathfrak{g}^{\beta\mu}{}_{,\rho} \\ & + \frac{1}{8} (2g^{\alpha\lambda} g^{\beta\mu} - g^{\alpha\beta} g^{\lambda\mu}) (2g_{\nu\rho} g_{\sigma\tau} - g_{\rho\sigma} g_{\nu\tau}) \mathfrak{g}^{\nu\tau}{}_{,\lambda} \mathfrak{g}^{\rho\sigma}{}_{,\mu} \bigg\} \end{aligned} \quad (20.22)$$

PN Binding Energy (Non-Spinning)

- Evolution of circular orbits can be obtained from adiabatic matching:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dE/dt}{dE/dx} = - \frac{\mathcal{F}(x)}{dE(x)/dx}$$

- Multipole waveform can also be obtained.

$$\begin{aligned} E = & -\frac{\mu c^2 x}{2} \left\{ 1 + \left(-\frac{3}{4} - \frac{v}{12} \right) x + \left(-\frac{27}{8} + \frac{19}{8} v - \frac{v^2}{24} \right) x^2 \right. \\ & + \left(-\frac{675}{64} + \left[\frac{34445}{576} - \frac{205}{96} \pi^2 \right] v - \frac{155}{96} v^2 - \frac{35}{5184} v^3 \right) x^3 \\ & + \left(-\frac{3969}{128} + \left[-\frac{123671}{5760} + \frac{9037}{1536} \pi^2 + \frac{896}{15} \gamma_E + \frac{448}{15} \ln(16x) \right] v \right. \\ & + \left. \left[-\frac{498449}{3456} + \frac{3157}{576} \pi^2 \right] v^2 + \frac{301}{1728} v^3 + \frac{77}{31104} v^4 \right) x^4 \\ & \left. + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^{10}}\right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\text{tail}}^{\log} = & -\frac{\mu c^2 x}{2} \left\{ \frac{448}{15} v x^4 \ln x + \left(-\frac{4988}{35} - \frac{656}{5} v \right) v x^5 \ln x \right. \\ & + \left(-\frac{1967284}{8505} + \frac{914782}{945} v + \frac{32384}{135} v^2 \right) v x^6 \ln x + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^{14}}\right) \left. \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$x \equiv \left(\frac{Gm\Omega}{c^3} \right)^{2/3} = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^2}\right).$$

PN Energy Flux (Non-Spinning)

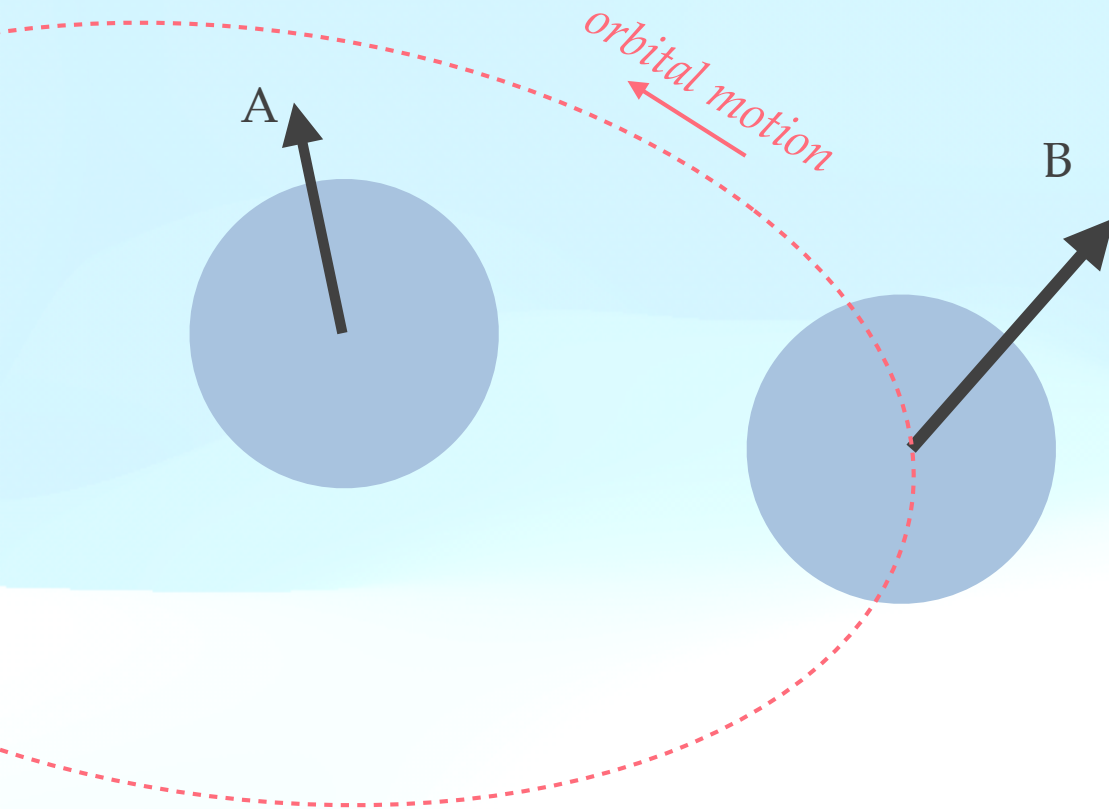
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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F} = & \frac{32c^5}{5G} v^2 x^5 \left\{ 1 + \left(-\frac{1247}{336} - \frac{35}{12} v \right) x + 4\pi x^{3/2} \right. \\ & + \left(-\frac{44711}{9072} + \frac{9271}{504} v + \frac{65}{18} v^2 \right) x^2 + \left(-\frac{8191}{672} - \frac{583}{24} v \right) \pi x^{5/2} \\ & + \left[\frac{6643739519}{69854400} + \frac{16}{3} \pi^2 - \frac{1712}{105} \gamma_E - \frac{856}{105} \ln(16x) + \left(-\frac{134543}{7776} + \frac{41}{48} \pi^2 \right) v \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{94403}{3024} v^2 - \frac{775}{324} v^3 \right] x^3 \right. \\ & + \left(-\frac{16285}{504} + \frac{214745}{1728} v + \frac{193385}{3024} v^2 \right) \pi x^{7/2} \\ & + \left[-\frac{323105549467}{3178375200} + \frac{232597}{4410} \gamma_E - \frac{1369}{126} \pi^2 + \frac{39931}{294} \ln 2 - \frac{47385}{1568} \ln 3 \right. \\ & + \frac{232597}{8820} \ln x \\ & + \left(-\frac{1452202403629}{1466942400} + \frac{41478}{245} \gamma_E - \frac{267127}{4608} \pi^2 + \frac{479062}{2205} \ln 2 + \frac{47385}{392} \ln 3 \right. \\ & \left. \left. + \frac{20739}{245} \ln x \right) v \right. \\ & + \left(\frac{1607125}{6804} - \frac{3157}{384} \pi^2 \right) v^2 + \frac{6875}{504} v^3 + \frac{5}{6} v^4 \left. \right] x^4 \\ & + \left[\frac{265978667519}{745113600} - \frac{6848}{105} \gamma_E - \frac{3424}{105} \ln(16x) + \left(\frac{2062241}{22176} + \frac{41}{12} \pi^2 \right) v \right. \\ & \left. \left. - \frac{133112905}{290304} v^2 - \frac{3719141}{38016} v^3 \right] \pi x^{9/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^{10}}\right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Effects of Spins



Leading-order dynamical effects
superimpose with each other.

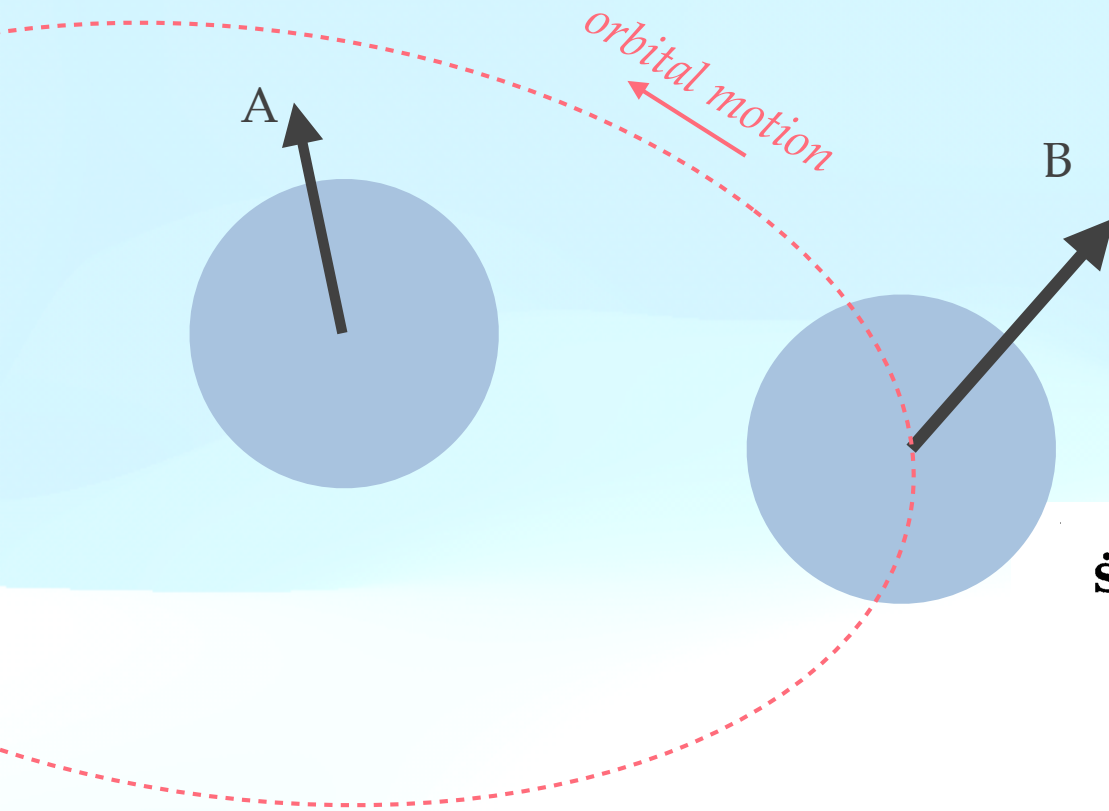
described by **gravito-magnetism**

For aligned spins, both binding energy
and radiation flux are affected by spin-
orbit and spin-spin coupling.

for non-aligned spins

1. **Orbital motion** of *B* around *A* causes \mathbf{S}_B to **precess** [*spin-orbit*]
2. \mathbf{S}_A causes \mathbf{S}_B to **precess** [*spin-spin*]
3. \mathbf{S}_A causes **orbit of B** to **precess** [*spin-orbit*]
4. \mathbf{S}_B causes **orbit of B** to **precess** [*spin-orbit*]

Effects of Spins



$$\frac{d\mathbf{L}_B}{dt} = \underbrace{\frac{2}{r^3} \mathbf{S}_A \times \mathbf{L}_B}_{\sim \mathbf{H} \times \mathbf{v}_B} + \underbrace{\frac{3}{2} \frac{m_A}{m_B} \frac{\mathbf{S}_B \times \mathbf{L}_B}{r_{AB}^3}}_{\text{spin-curvature coupling}}$$

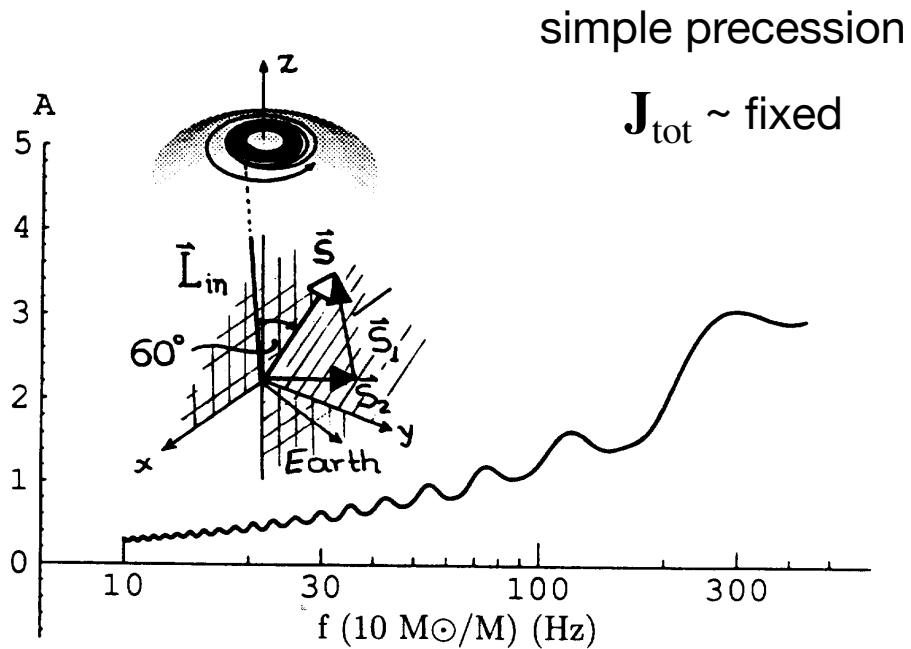
gravitomagnetic precession of orbit

$$\dot{\mathbf{S}}_1 = \frac{1}{r^3} \left\{ (\mathbf{L}_N \times \mathbf{S}_1) \left(2 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_2}{m_1} \right) - \mathbf{S}_2 \times \mathbf{S}_1 + 3(\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_2) \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{S}_1 \right\}, \quad (2.4a)$$

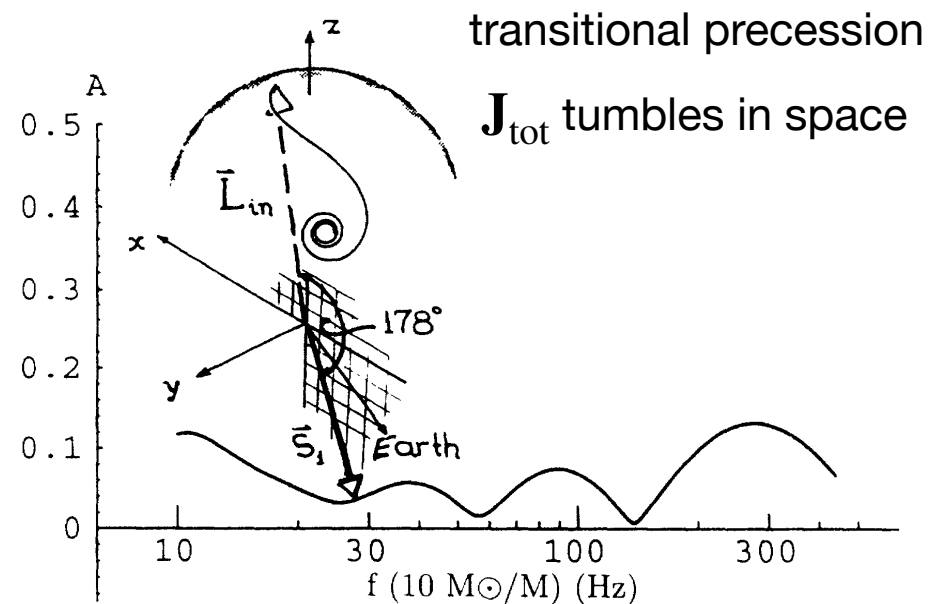
$$\dot{\mathbf{S}}_2 = \frac{1}{r^3} \left\{ (\mathbf{L}_N \times \mathbf{S}_2) \left(2 + \frac{3}{2} \frac{m_1}{m_2} \right) - \mathbf{S}_1 \times \mathbf{S}_2 + 3(\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{S}_1) \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \mathbf{S}_2 \right\}, \quad (2.4b)$$

Kidder, 1995

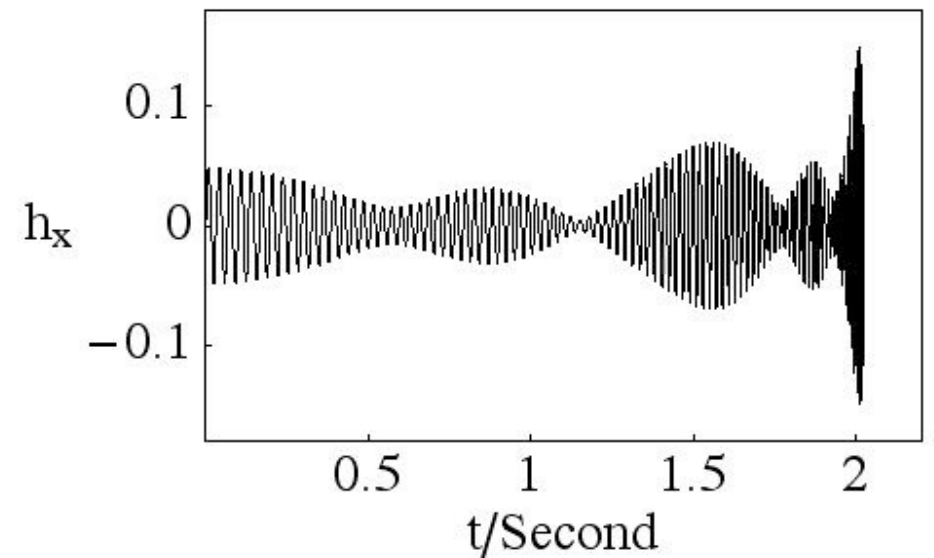
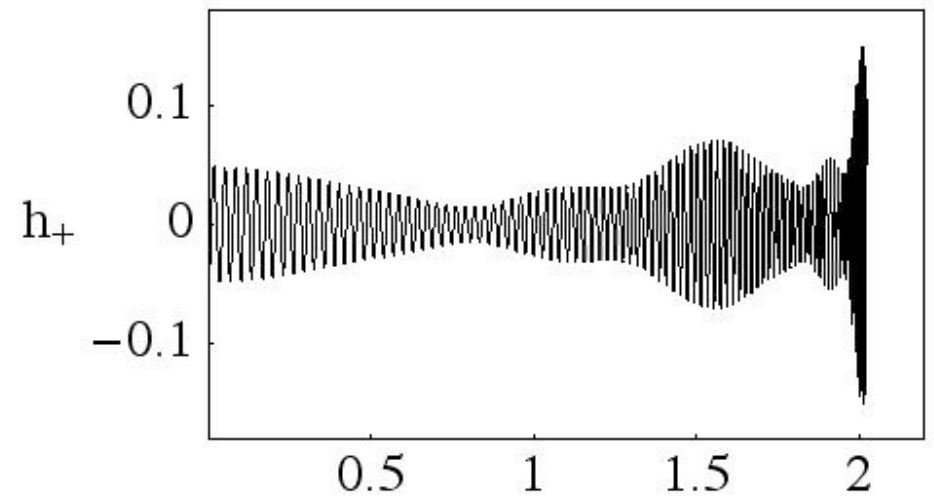
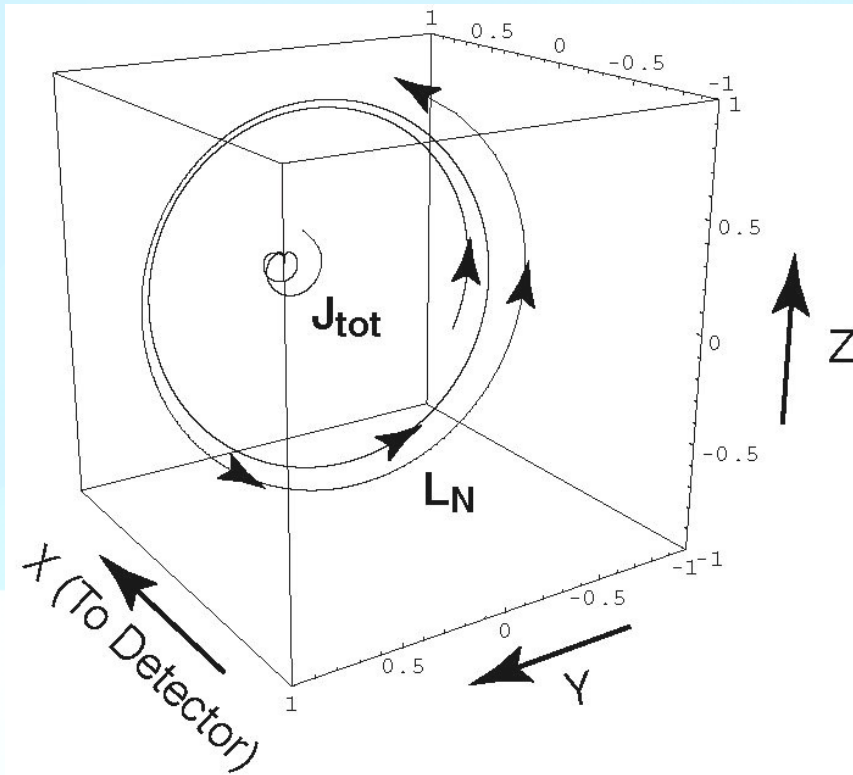
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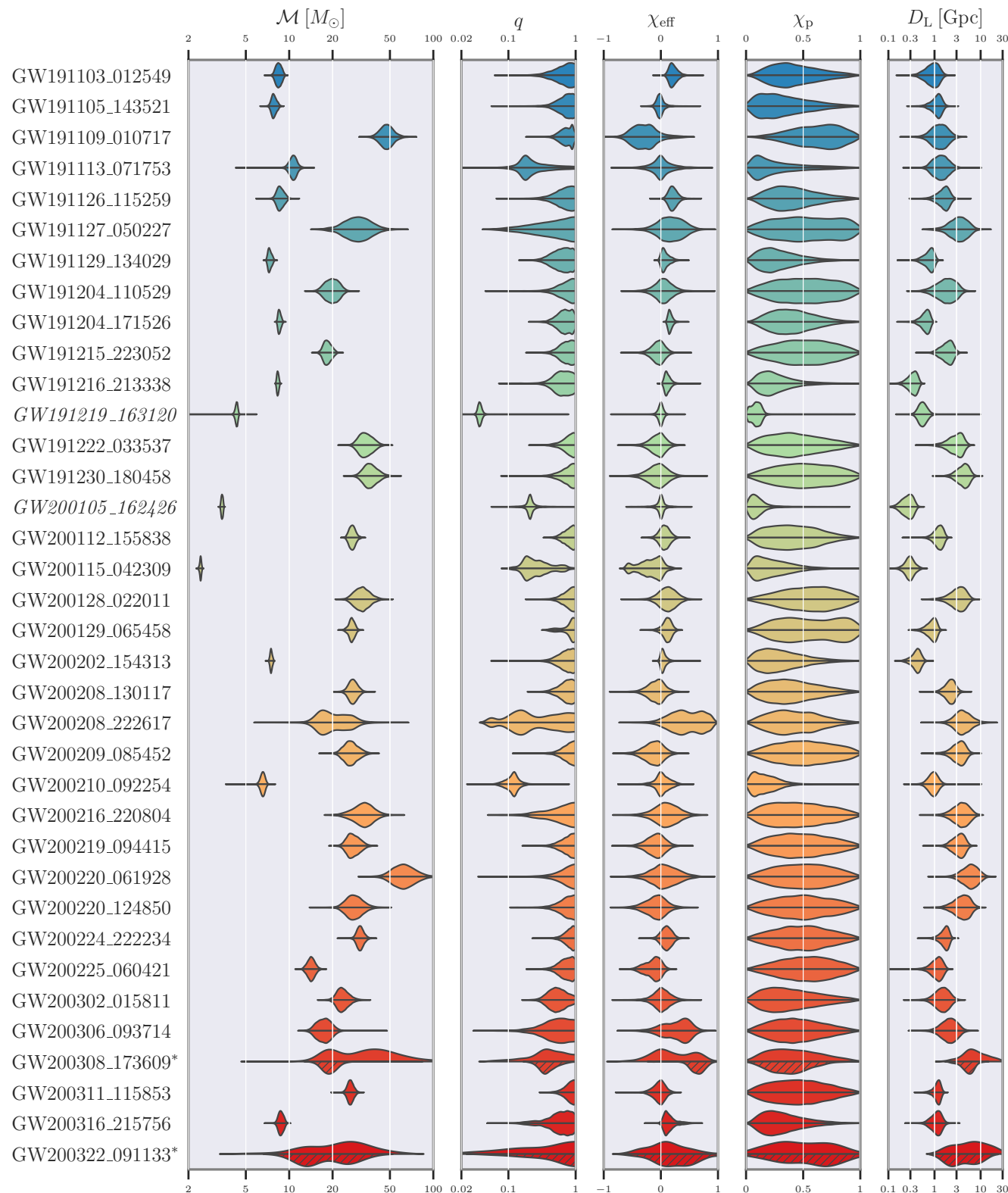


[Apostolatos et al., 1994]



Waveforms from Precessing Binaries





Effect of phase cumulation

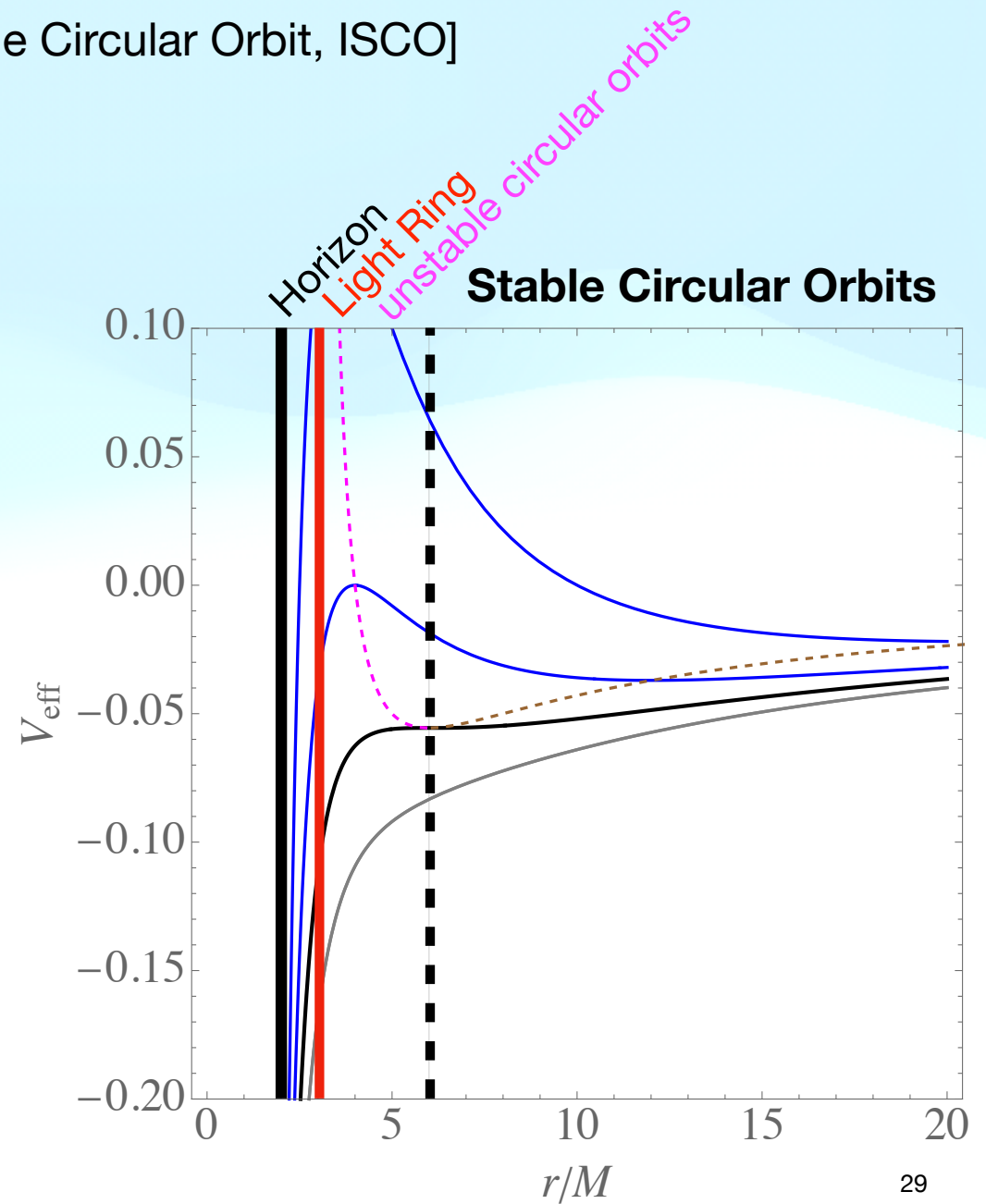
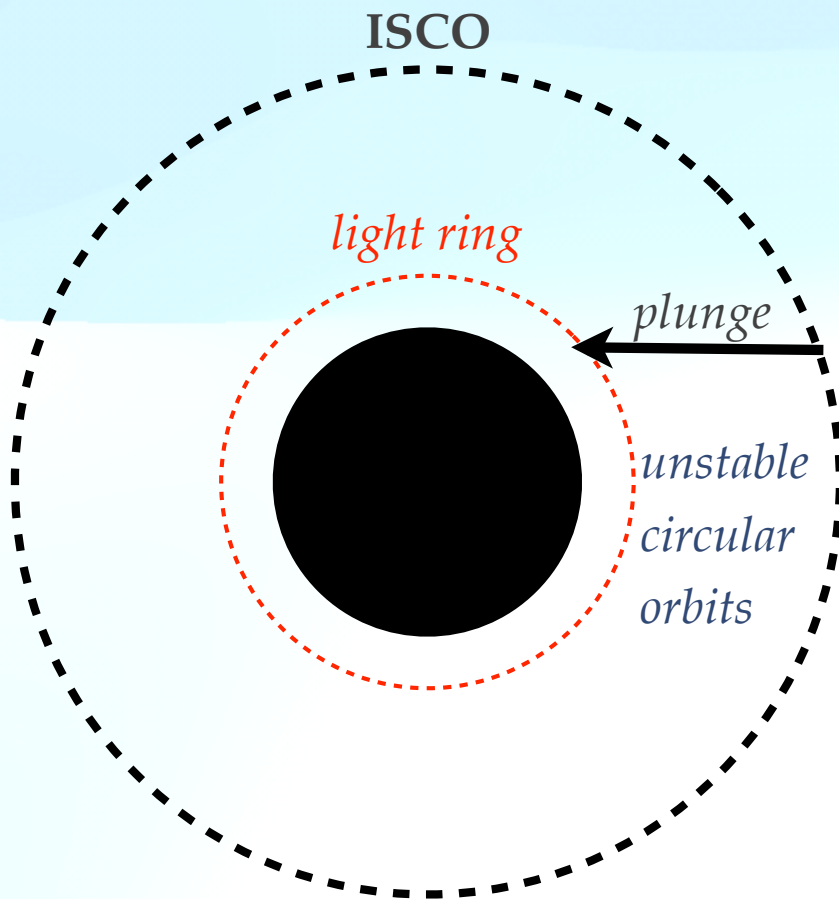
$$\chi_{\text{eff}} = \frac{(m_1 \vec{\chi}_1 + m_2 \vec{\chi}_2) \cdot \hat{L}_N}{M},$$

Effect of precessions

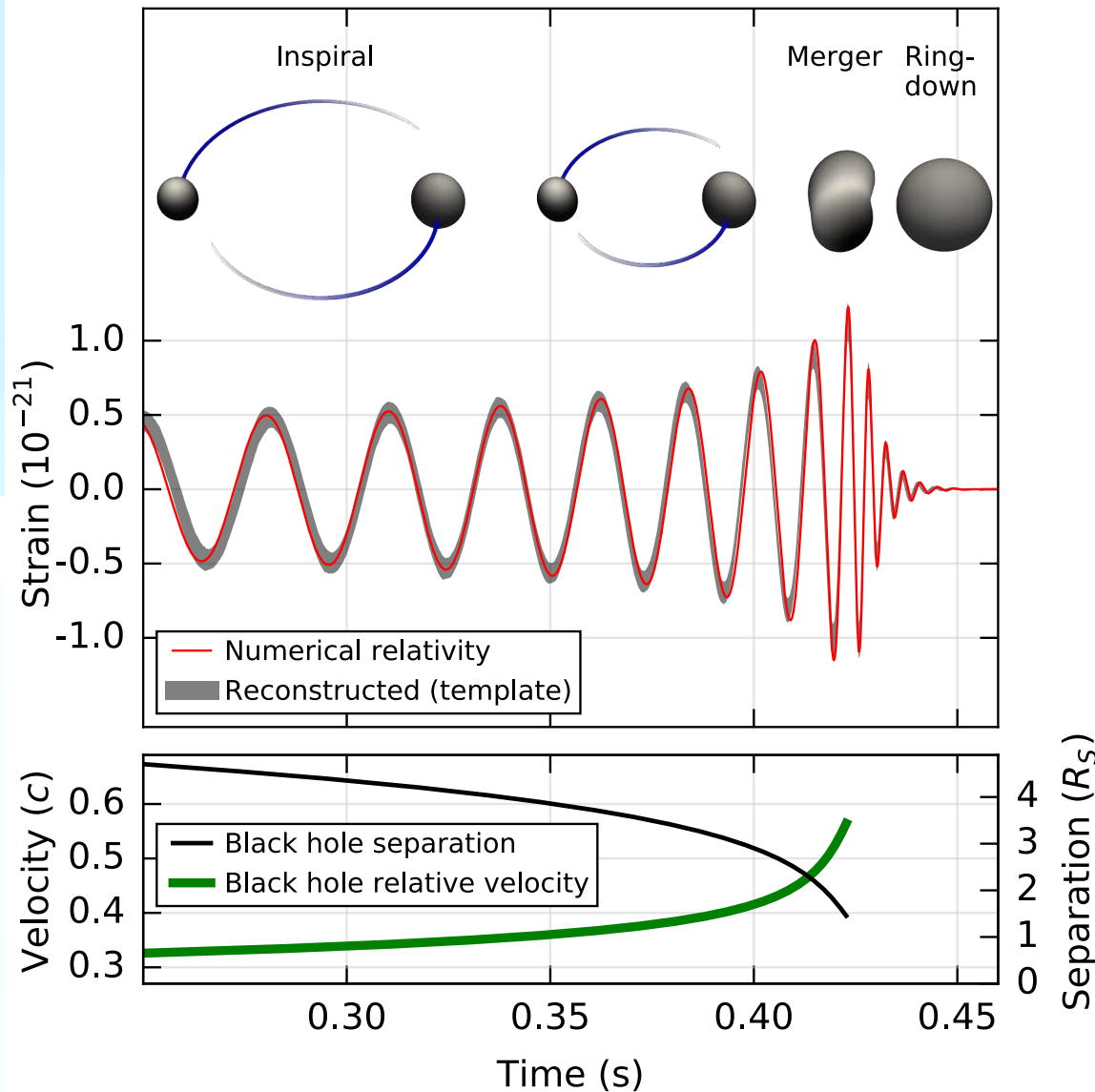
$$\chi_p = \max \left\{ \chi_{1,\perp}, \frac{q(4q+3)}{4+3q} \chi_{2,\perp} \right\},$$

Transition from Inspiral to Plunge

[Innermost Stable Circular Orbit, ISCO]



Inspiral, Merger and Ringdown



Inspiral

Post-Newtonian:
Linear Perturbation of Minkowski

Merger

“Nonlinear Regime”

Ringdown

Linear Perturbations
of Kerr

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Binary black-hole surrogate waveform catalog

Scott E. Field; Chad R. Galley; Jan S. Hesthaven; Jason Kaye; Manuel Tiglio; Jonathan Blackman; Béla Szilágyi; Mark A. Scheel; Daniel A. Hemberger; Patricia Schmidt; Rory Smith; Christian D. Ott; Michael Boyle; Lawrence E. Kidder; Harald P. Pfeiffer; Vijay Varma

This repository contains all publicly available numerical relativity surrogate data for waveforms produced by the [Spectral Einstein Code](#). The base method for building surrogate models can be found in [Field et al., PRX 4, 031006 \(2014\)](#).

Several numerical relativity surrogate models are currently available in this catalog:

- Current models
 1. NRSur7dq4.h5 — This is a surrogate model for binary black hole mergers with generic spins and mass ratios up to 4. A paper describing it can be found at [Varma et al., arxiv:1905.09300](#). It is evaluated with the gwsurrogate Python package, which can be found on [PyPI](#). Instructions for evaluating this surrogate can be found at [this example IPython code](#).
 2. NRHybSur3dq8.h5 — This is a surrogate model for binary black hole systems with generic mass ratios but restricted to nonprecessing spins. Before constructing the surrogate, the NR waveforms are hybridized with post-Newtonian waveforms to include the early inspiral. Therefore this model covers the full stellar mass range for ground-based detectors. A paper describing it can be found at [Varma et al., PRD 99, 064045 \(2019\)](#). It is evaluated with the gwsurrogate Python package, which can be found on [PyPI](#). Instructions for evaluating this surrogate can be found [this example IPython code](#).
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- Older models
 1. SpEC_q1_10_NoSpin_nu5thDegPoly_exclude_2_0.h5 — A surrogate model for binary black hole mergers with non-spinning black holes. This is described in [Blackman et al., PRL 115, 121102 \(2015\)](#). It is evaluated with the gwsurrogate python package, which can be found on [PyPI](#). Instructions for evaluating this surrogate can be found in tutorials included with the gwsurrogate package and in this [example IPython code](#).
 2. NRSur4d2s_FDROM_grid12.h5 and NRSur4d2s_TDROM_grid12.h5 — These are fast frequency-domain and time-domain (respectively) surrogate models for binary black hole mergers where the black holes may be spinning, but the spins are restricted to a parameter subspace which includes some but not all precessing configurations. NRSur4d2s_FDROM_grid12.h5 is the NRSur4d2s_FDROM model described in [Blackman et al., PRD 95, 104023, \(2017\)](#), and NRSur4d2s_TDROM_grid12.h5 is built from the underlying (slower) NRSur4d2s time-domain model in the same way but without the FFTs. These surrogates are also evaluated using gwsurrogate, and a tutorial can be found in this [example IPython code](#).
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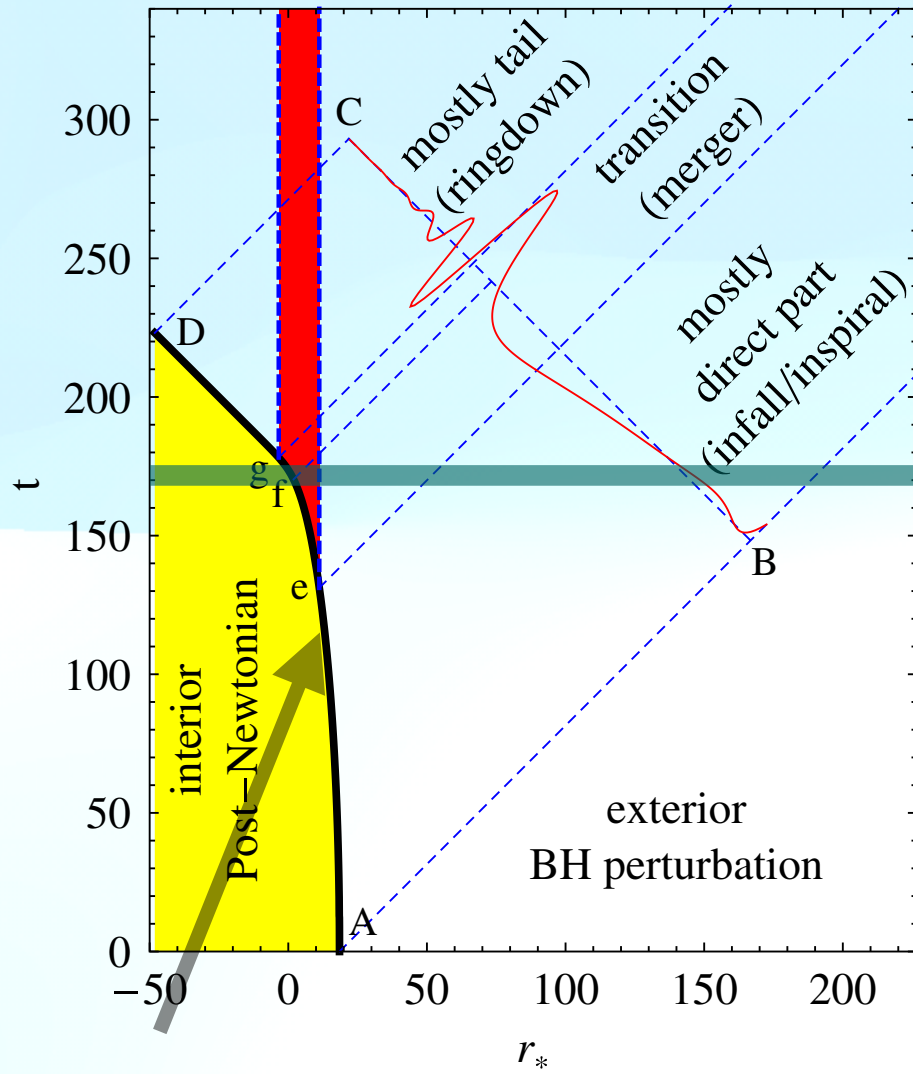
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SXS:BBH:0003	1.128×10^{-2}	1.000	2.707×10^{-4}	0.4994	7.429×10^{-8}	2.869×10^{-4}	32.34	
SXS:BBH:0004	1.131×10^{-2}	1.000	-0.2498	5.018×10^{-11}	1.403×10^{-9}	3.802×10^{-4}	30.19	
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Black-Hole: Ringdown

potential barrier (light ring)

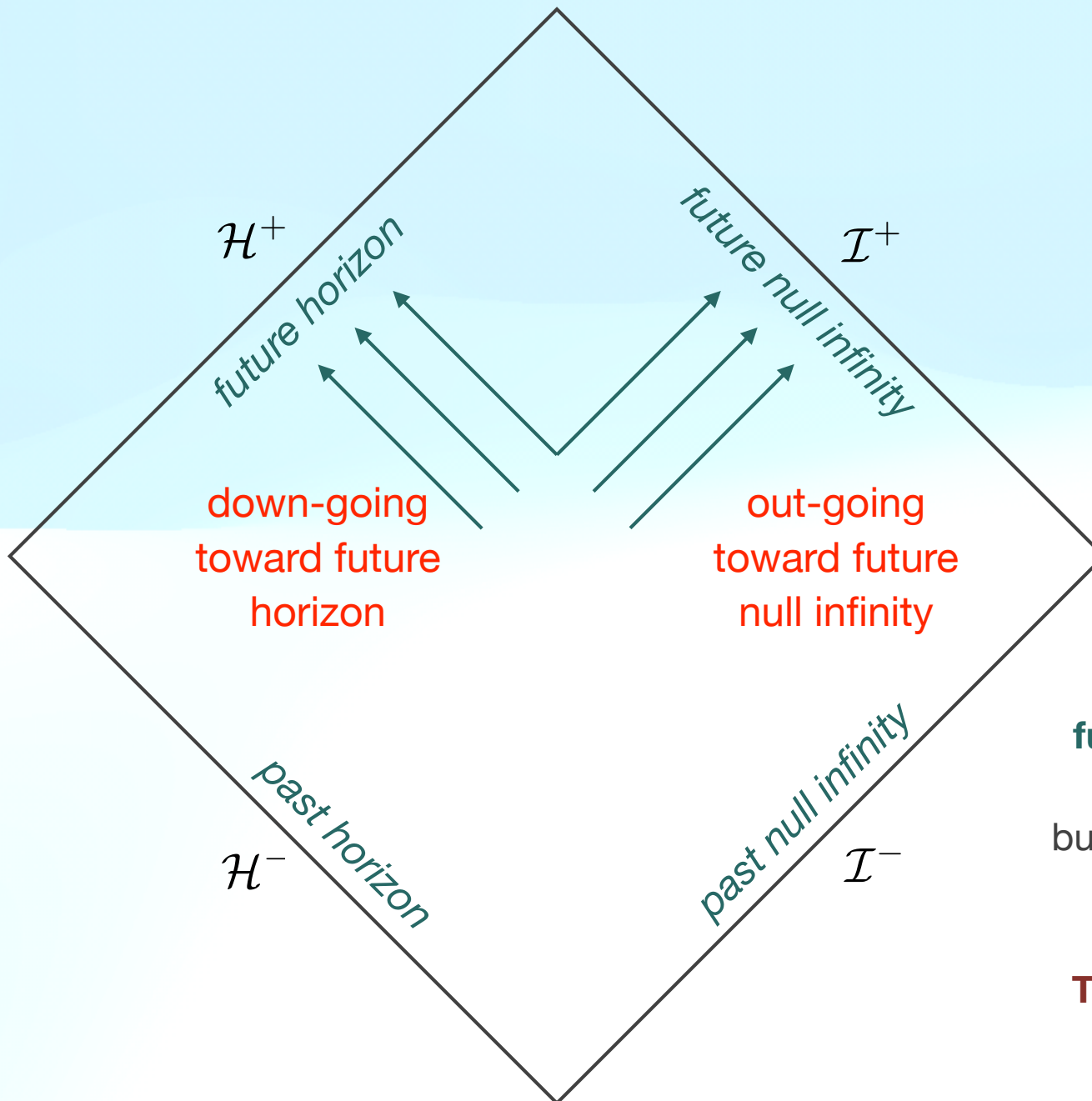


Posing Data on Inflating Shell: Hybrid Approach
[Nichols and Chen, 2010; Zimmerman and Chen, 2011]

Richard Price (1970s):
GW at the end of gravitational collapse is made up from QNMs, because the star no longer sources radiation that can escape the potential barrier

Close-Limit Approximation
[Campanelli, Lousto, Baker, Price, et al., 1990s]

Black-Hole: Quasi-Normal Modes



Waves will reach the **future horizon**, and distort it.

but the horizon simply **passively** receives the radiation.

The horizon will not radiate.

Teukolsky Equation

$$\nabla^\alpha \nabla_\alpha h_{\mu\nu} + 2 {}^B R^\alpha_{\mu\nu}{}^\beta h_{\alpha\beta} = 0$$

too many components!

In 1973, Teukolsky found decoupled equation for Weyl scalars ψ_0 and ψ_4 .

TABLE 1

FIELD QUANTITIES ψ , SPIN-WEIGHT s , AND SOURCE TERMS T FOR EQUATION (4.7)

ψ	s	T
Φ	0	$\square\Phi = 4\pi T$
χ_0 $\rho^{-1}\chi_1$	$-\frac{1}{2}$	See references in Appendix B
ϕ_0 $\rho^{-2}\phi_2$	1 -1	J_0 (eq. [3.6]) $\rho^{-2}J_2$ (eq. [3.8])
ψ_0^B $\rho^{-4}\psi_4^B$	2 -2	$2T_0$ (eq. [2.13]) $2\rho^{-4}T_4$ (eq. [2.15])

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{(r^2 + a^2)^2}{\Delta} - a^2 \sin^2 \theta \right] \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t^2} + \frac{4Mar}{\Delta} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial t \partial \varphi} + \left[\frac{a^2}{\Delta} - \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \right] \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \varphi^2} \\ & - \Delta^{-s} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\Delta^{s+1} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial r} \right) - \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \theta} \right) - 2s \left[\frac{a(r - M)}{\Delta} + \frac{i \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right] \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \varphi} \\ & - 2s \left[\frac{M(r^2 - a^2)}{\Delta} - r - ia \cos \theta \right] \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial t} + (s^2 \cot^2 \theta - s) \psi = 4\pi \Sigma T. \quad (4.7) \end{aligned}$$

Black-Hole: Quasi-Normal Modes

$$\psi = e^{-i\omega t} e^{im\varphi} S(\theta) R(r)$$

Separation of Variables

$$\Delta^{-s} \frac{d}{dr} \left(\Delta^{s+1} \frac{dR}{dr} \right) + \left(\frac{K^2 - 2is(r - M)K}{\Delta} + 4is\omega r - \lambda \right) R = 0,$$

$$K \equiv (r^2 + a^2)\omega - am$$

Radial Equation

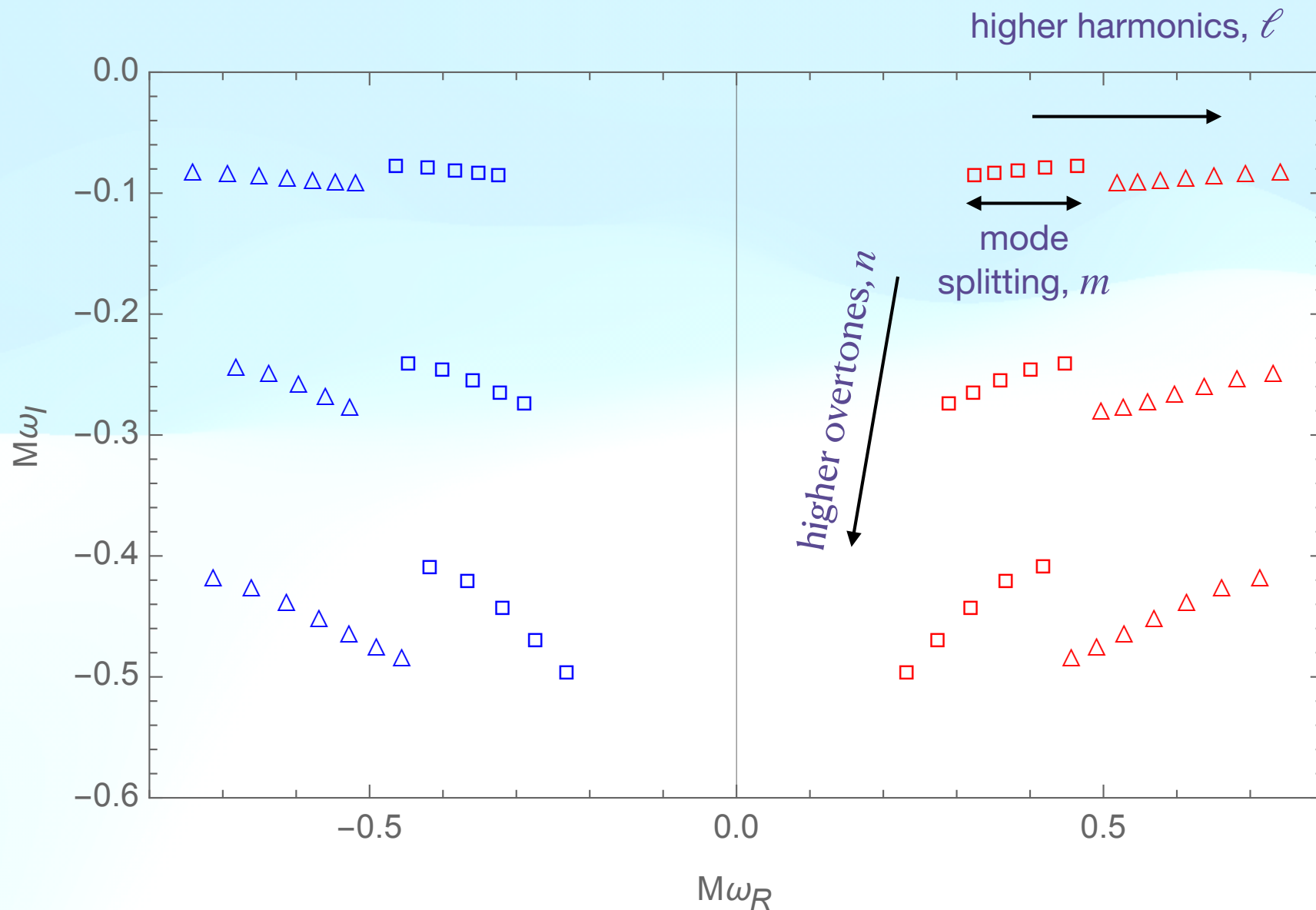
$$\frac{1}{\sin \theta} \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\sin \theta \frac{dS}{d\theta} \right) +$$

$$\left(a^2 \omega^2 \cos^2 \theta - \frac{m^2}{\sin^2 \theta} - 2a\omega s \cos \theta - \frac{2ms \cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} - s^2 \cot^2 \theta + s + A \right) S = 0,$$

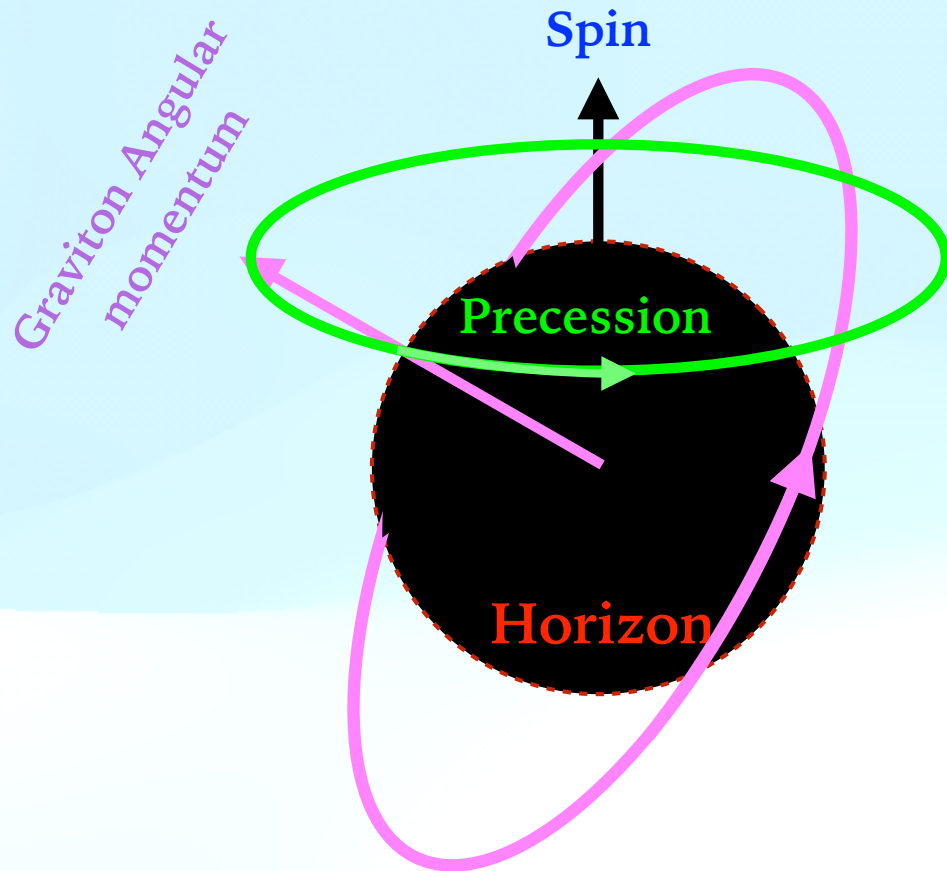
Angular Equation (Spin-Weighted Spheroidal Harmonics)

Quasi-Normal Mode Spectrum

$$a/M = 0.7$$



Black-Hole: Quasi-Normal Modes



Photosphere: Graviton Circular Orbits

$$e^{iS} = e^{-iEt+im\phi+iR(r)+i\Theta(\theta)}$$

$$g^{\alpha\beta} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x^\alpha} \frac{\partial S}{\partial x^\beta} = 0$$

L and m : number of nodes in the angular directions

n : radial pattern

ω_{orb} : orbital frequency

ω_{prec} : precession frequency (splitting)

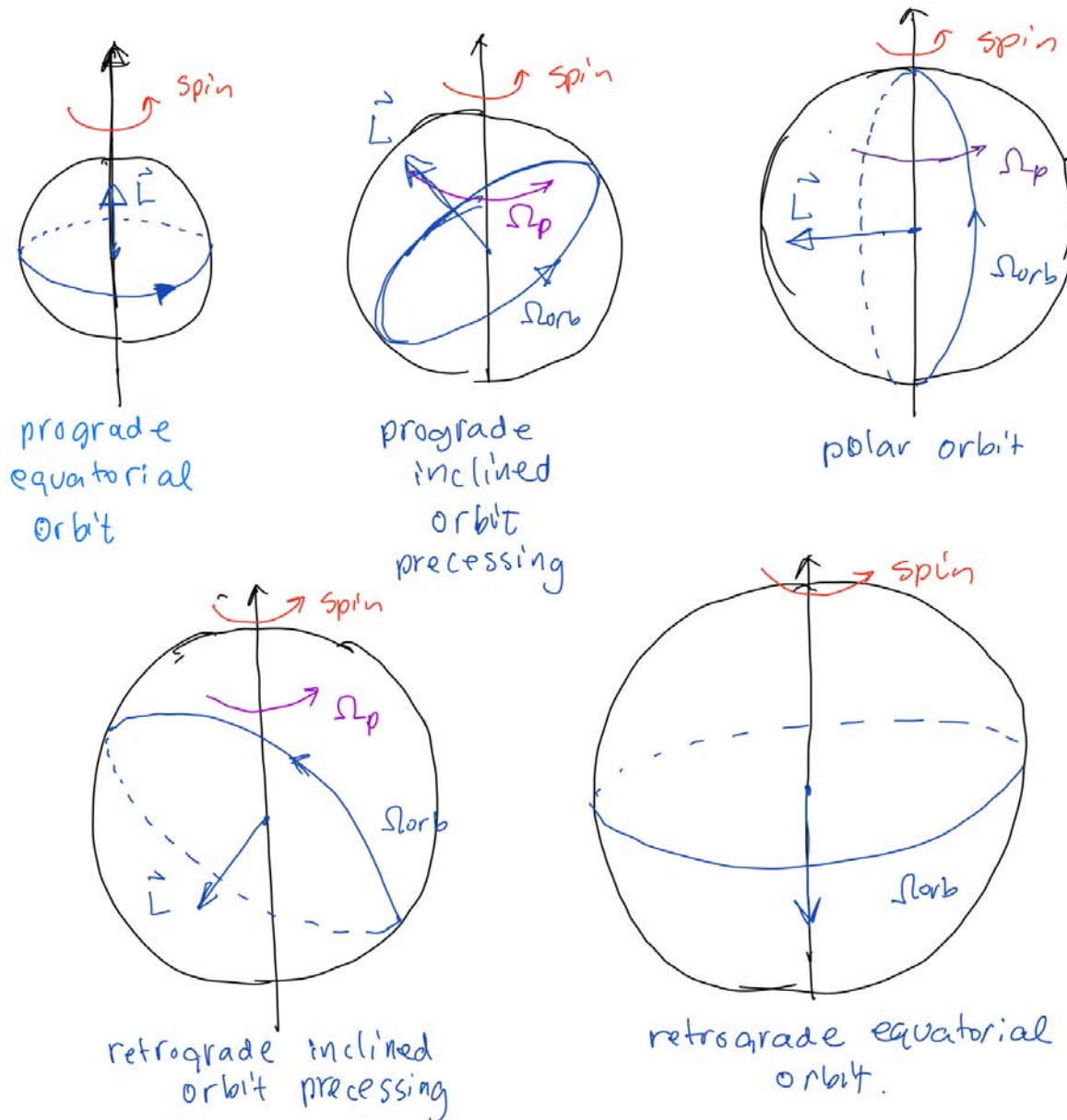
γ_L : orbital Lyapunov exponent

$$\omega_R = L \left(\omega_{\text{orb}} + \frac{m}{L} \omega_{\text{prec}} \right) \quad \gamma = \left(n + \frac{1}{2} \right) \gamma_L$$

QNMs are features of the photosphere

[Huan Yang *et al.*, PRD 86, 104006 (2012)]

Black-Hole: Quasi-Normal Modes



Excitation of QNMs

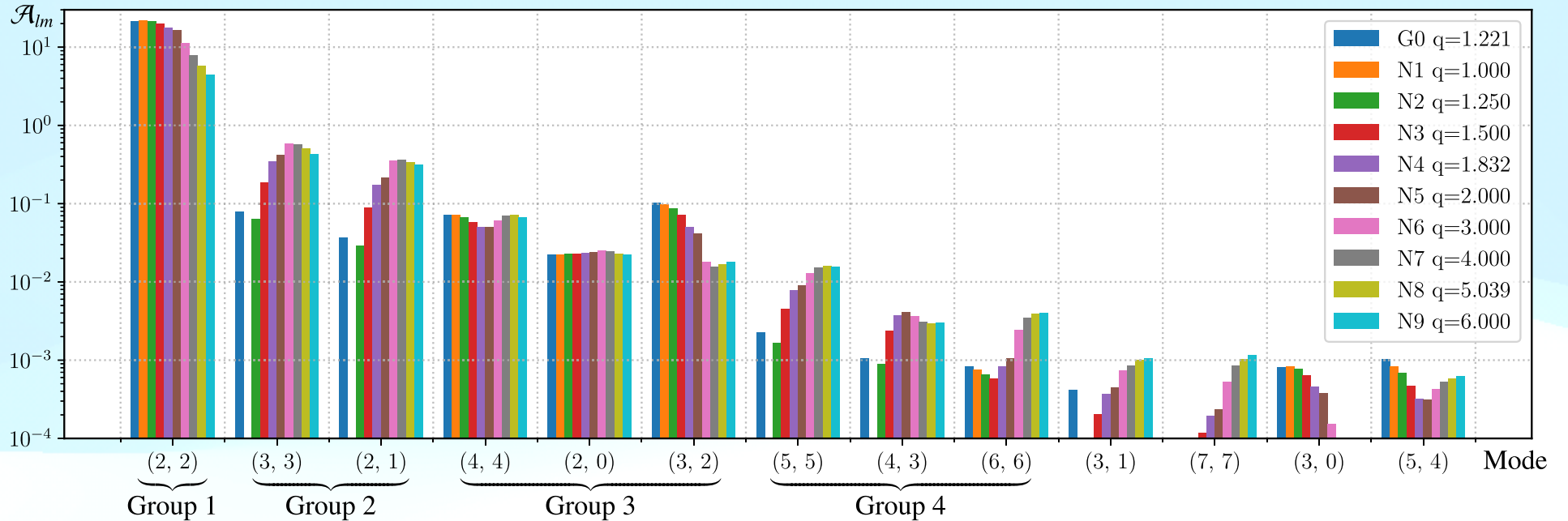
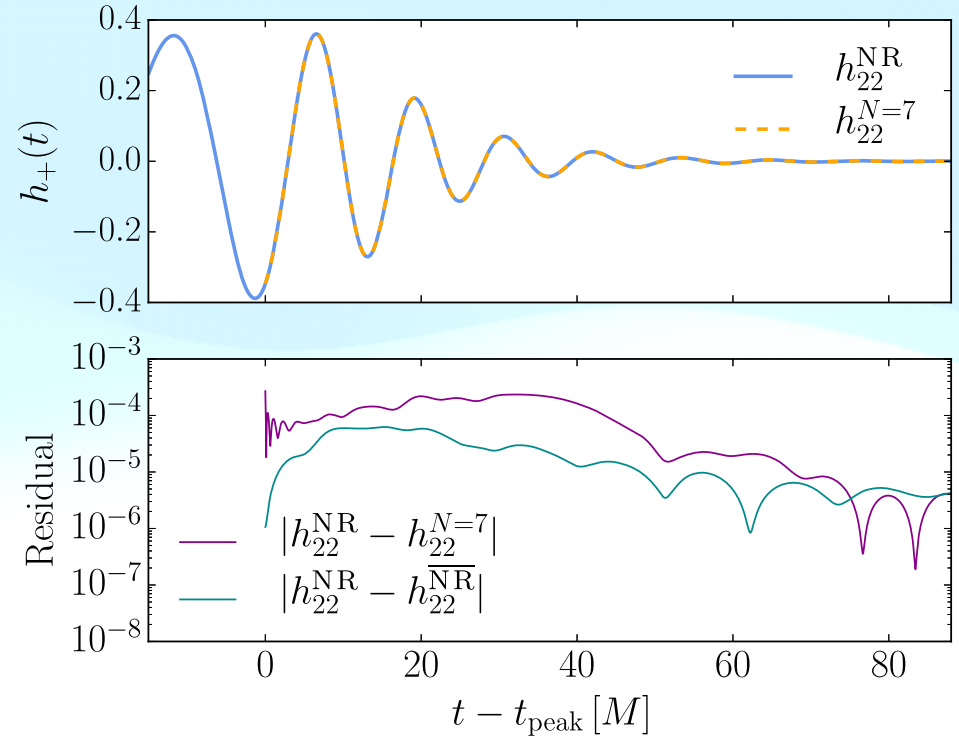
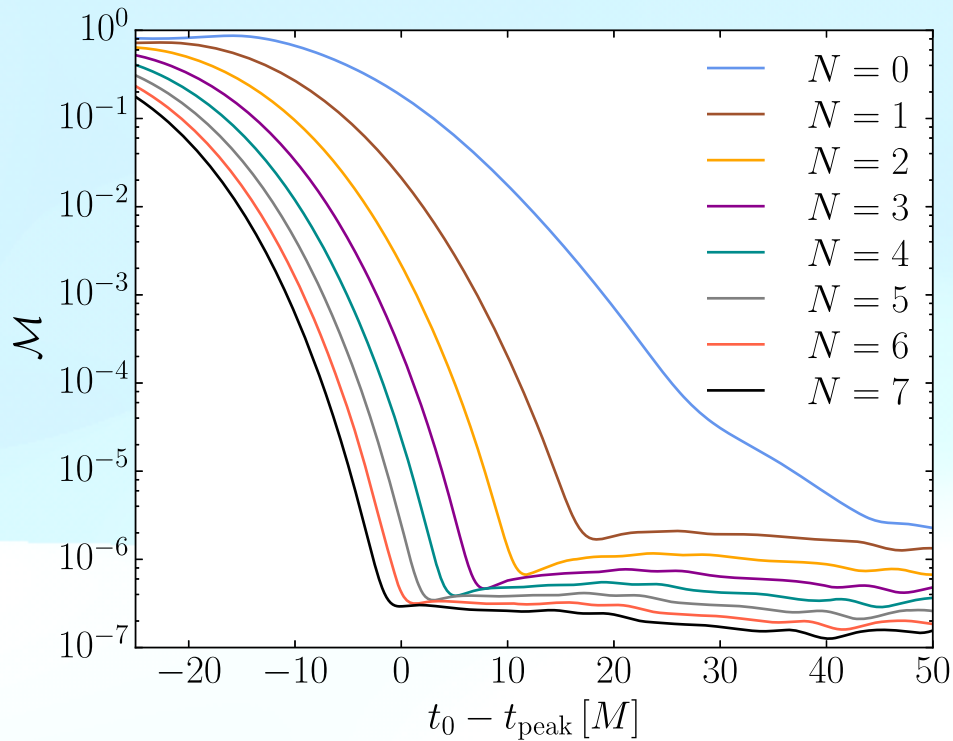


FIG. 4. The relative importance \mathcal{A}_{lm} , defined in Eq. (16) as the strain component in spin-weighted spherical mode (l, m) squared and integrated from t_{peak} to $t_{\text{peak}} + 100M$. Groups 1–4 of the (l, m) modes are defined according to their relative importance in the QNM expansion and are added to the fitting models in order. See details in Sec. III A.

[Xiang Li et al., 2021]

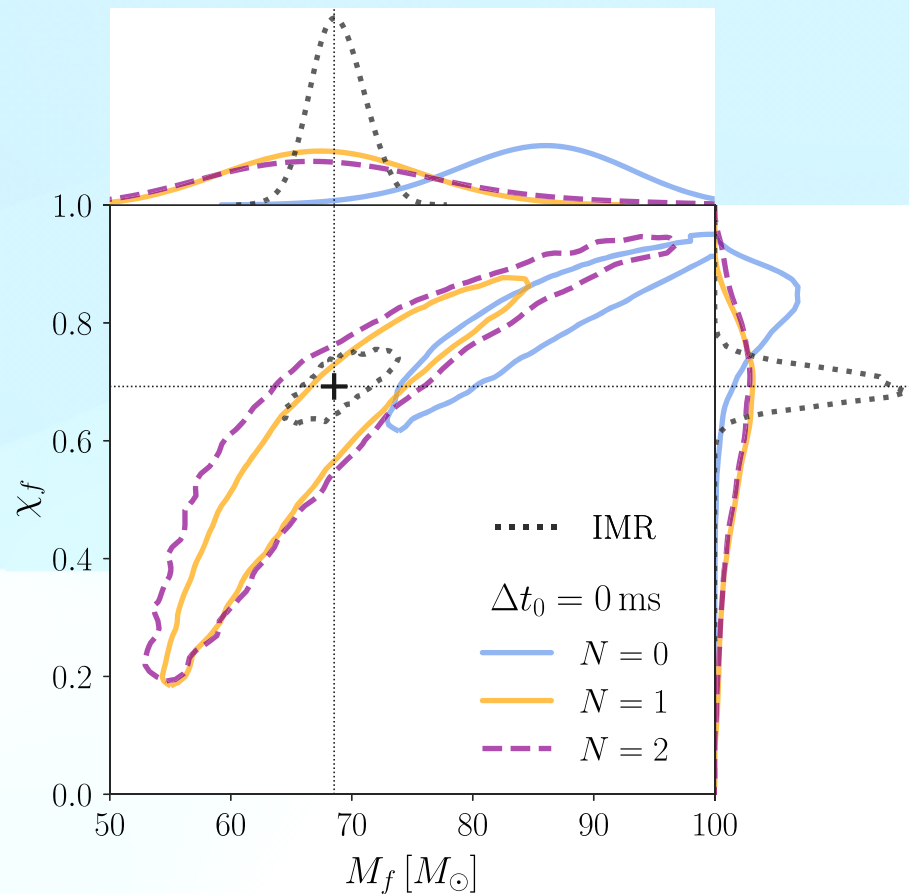
Overtones in Ringdown Waves: Theory



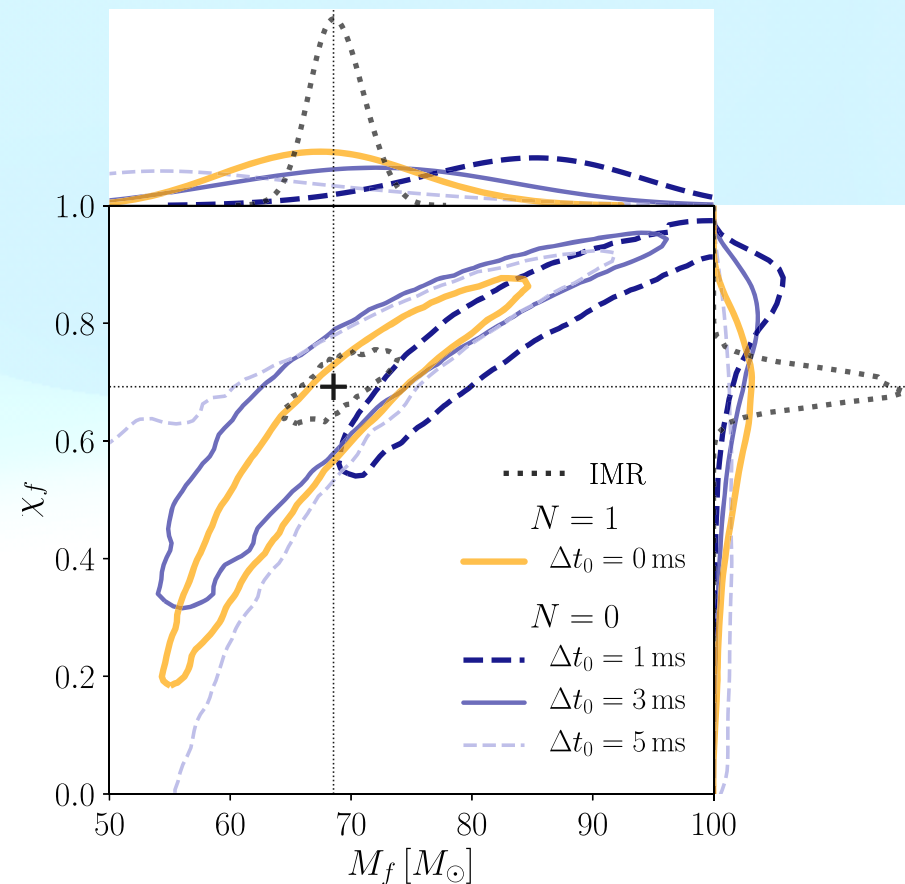
“Mismatch” between numerical waveform and sums of QNM overtones
for $(l, m) = (2, 2)$

[Giesler, Isi, Scheel and Teukolsky, 2019]

Overtones in Ringdown Waves: GW150914



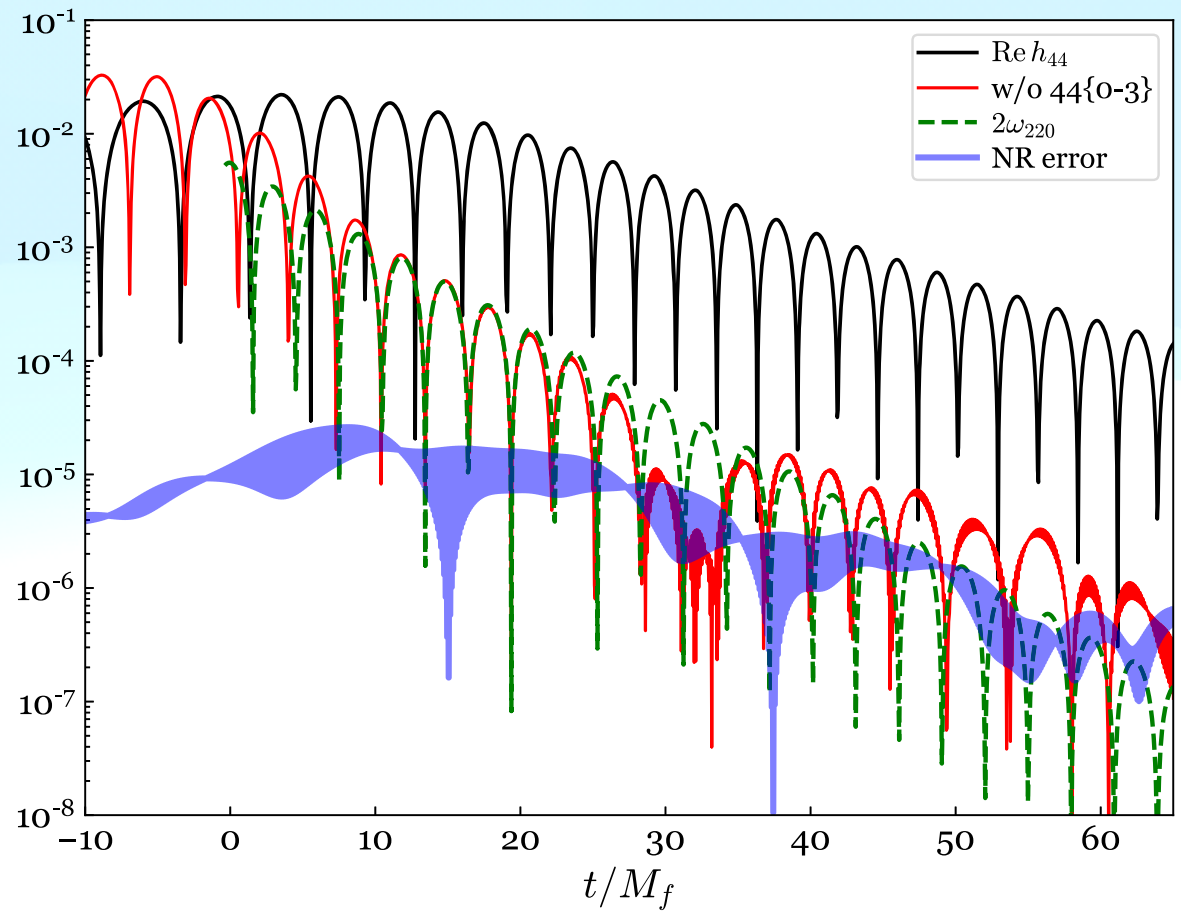
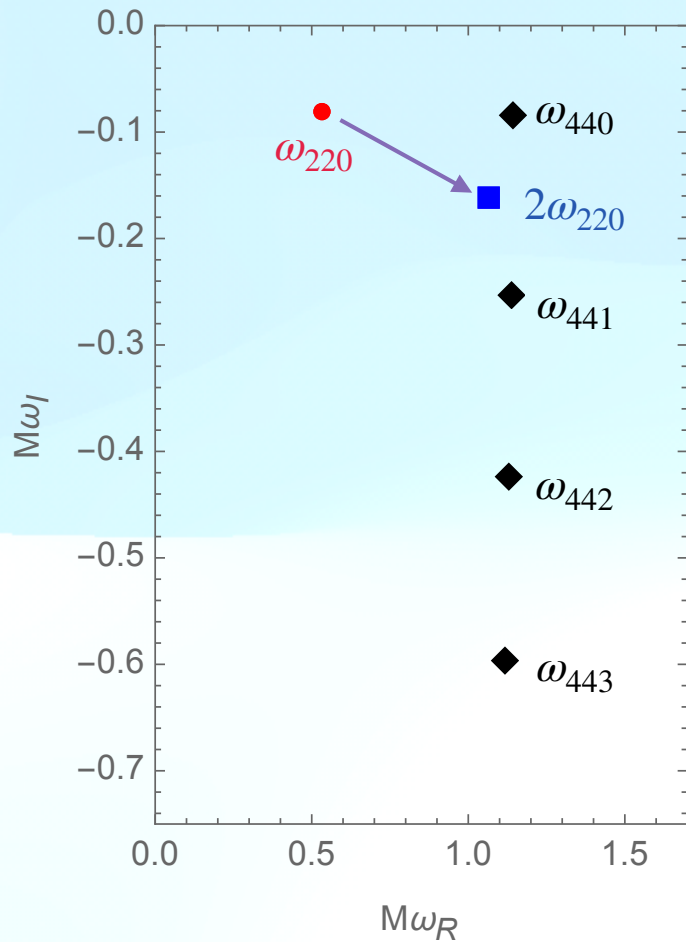
With early starting time, more overtones are better!



With additional overtone, better to start early!

Extracting overtone frequencies allow “no-hair” test!

Nonlinearity

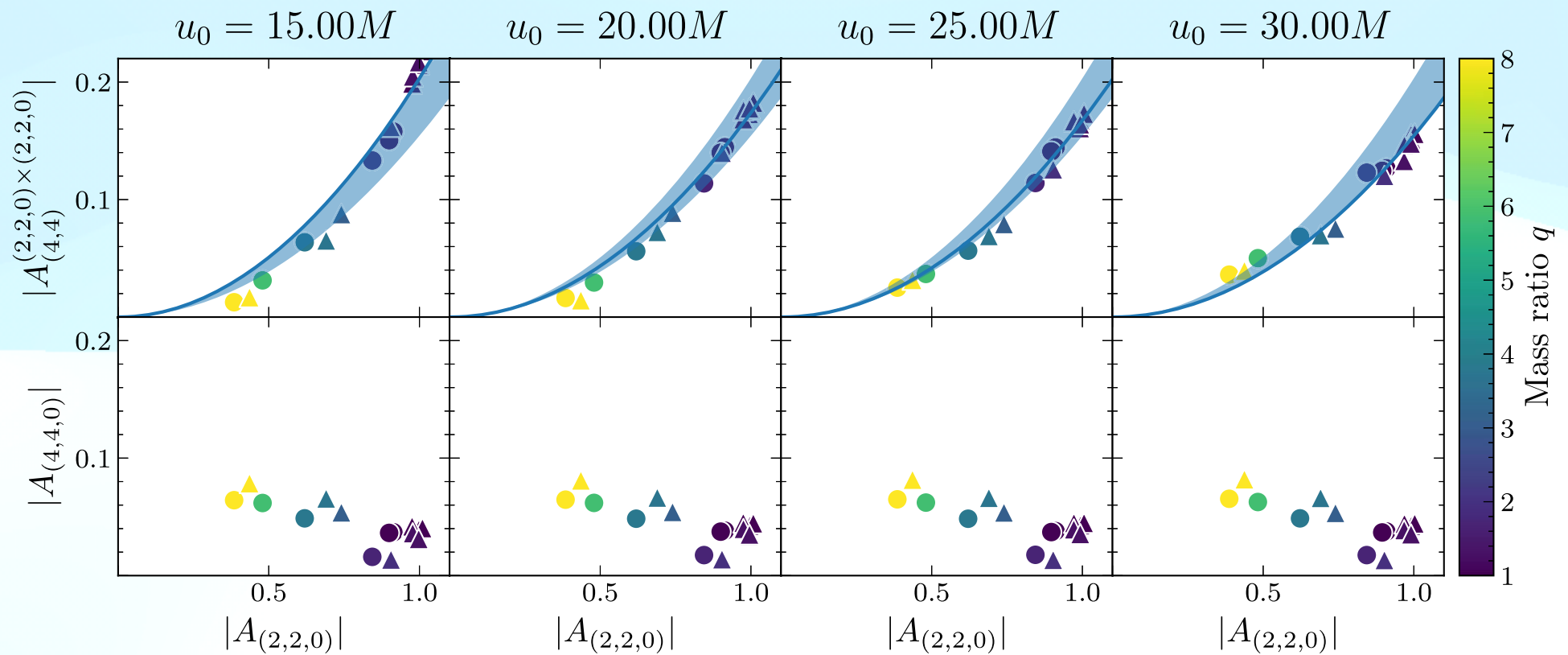


Effective Stress-Energy of the 220 mode will drive a $(4,4)$ spatial mode with $2\omega_{220}$ frequency!

[Keefe Mitman et al., 2023; Sizheng Ma et al., 2022]

Nonlinearity

across different binaries: amplitude of $2\omega_{2,2}$ mode is quadratic in $\omega_{2,2}$ mode



[Mitman et al., 2023]

Other Tests of Relativity

Alternative Theories

- Scalar-Tensor Theory
- Higher-Derivative Terms
- Chern-Simons Gravity
- Stars phase-transition instead of forming BHs

Parametrized Deviations

- How many polarizations?
- Speed of GW?
- Waveform's Amplitude/Phase deviates from GR?

Confirm Phenomena

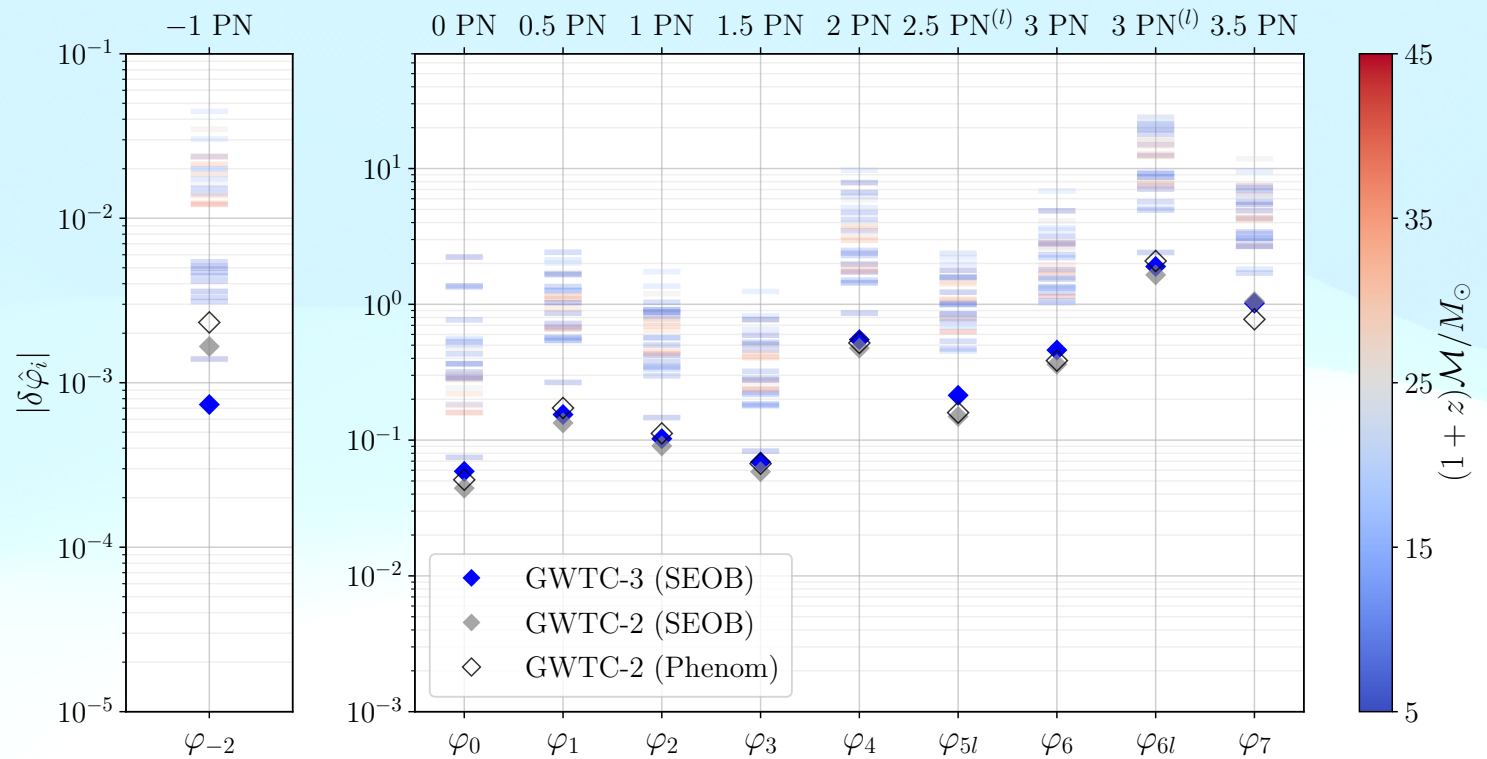
- Is Energy/Angular Momentum Lost during Merger?
- GW Memory?
- Is Horizon Black?
- Are there quantum fluctuations around BH?

Environment?

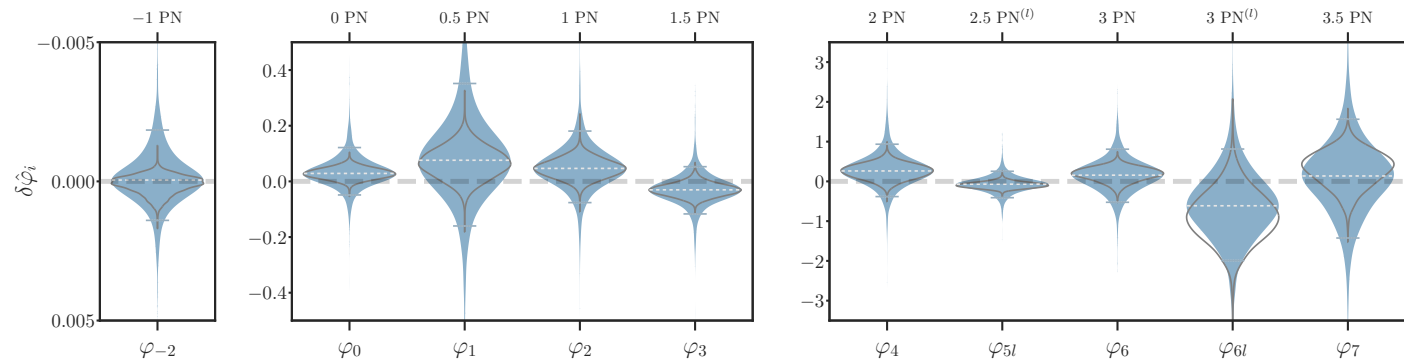
- Is there a third object around our binary?
- Are there other things? Like Dark-Matter Halo, Axion Cloud, etc?

Parametrized Test of GR

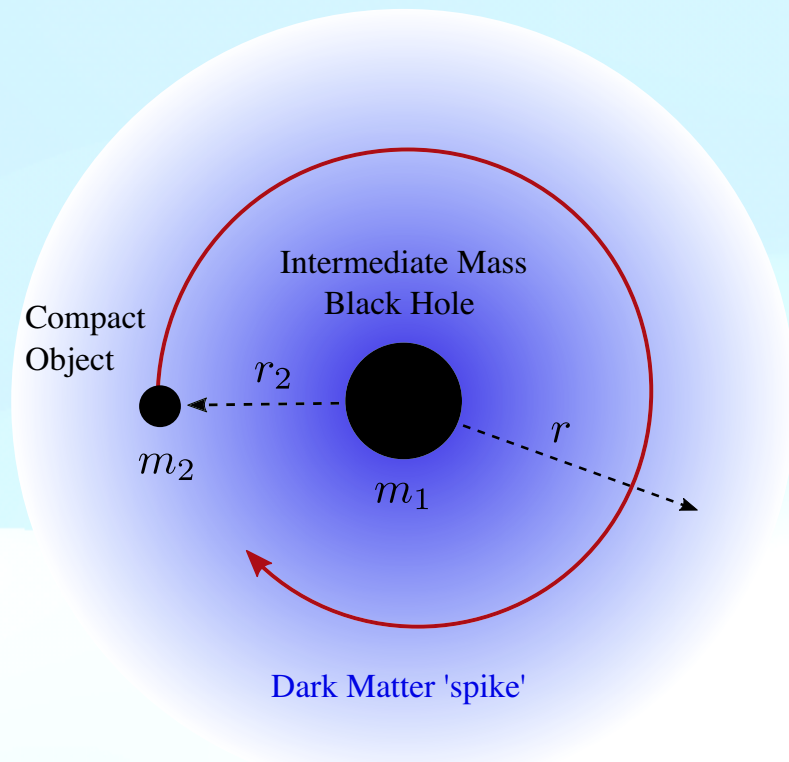
Individual
Events



“Combined”

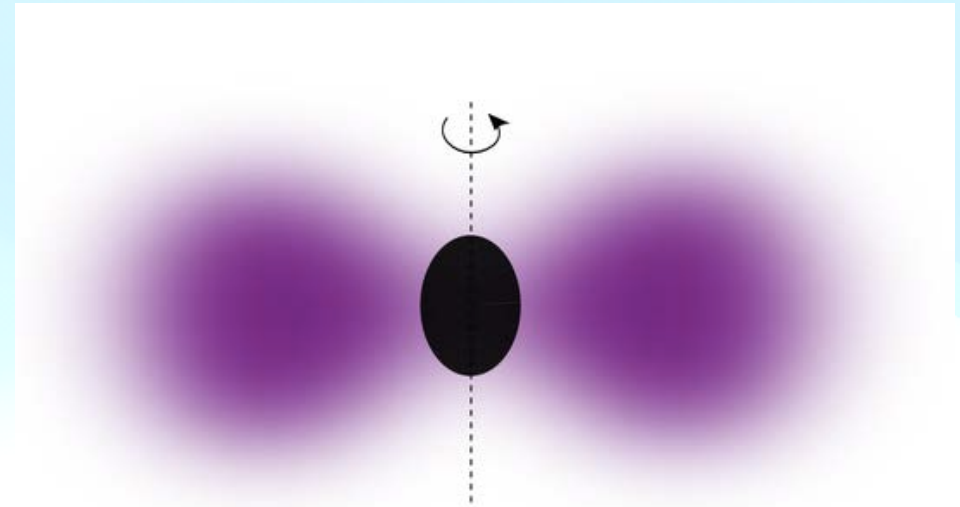


Superradiance of Black Holes and Dark Matter



Dark matter around BH causes change in waveform

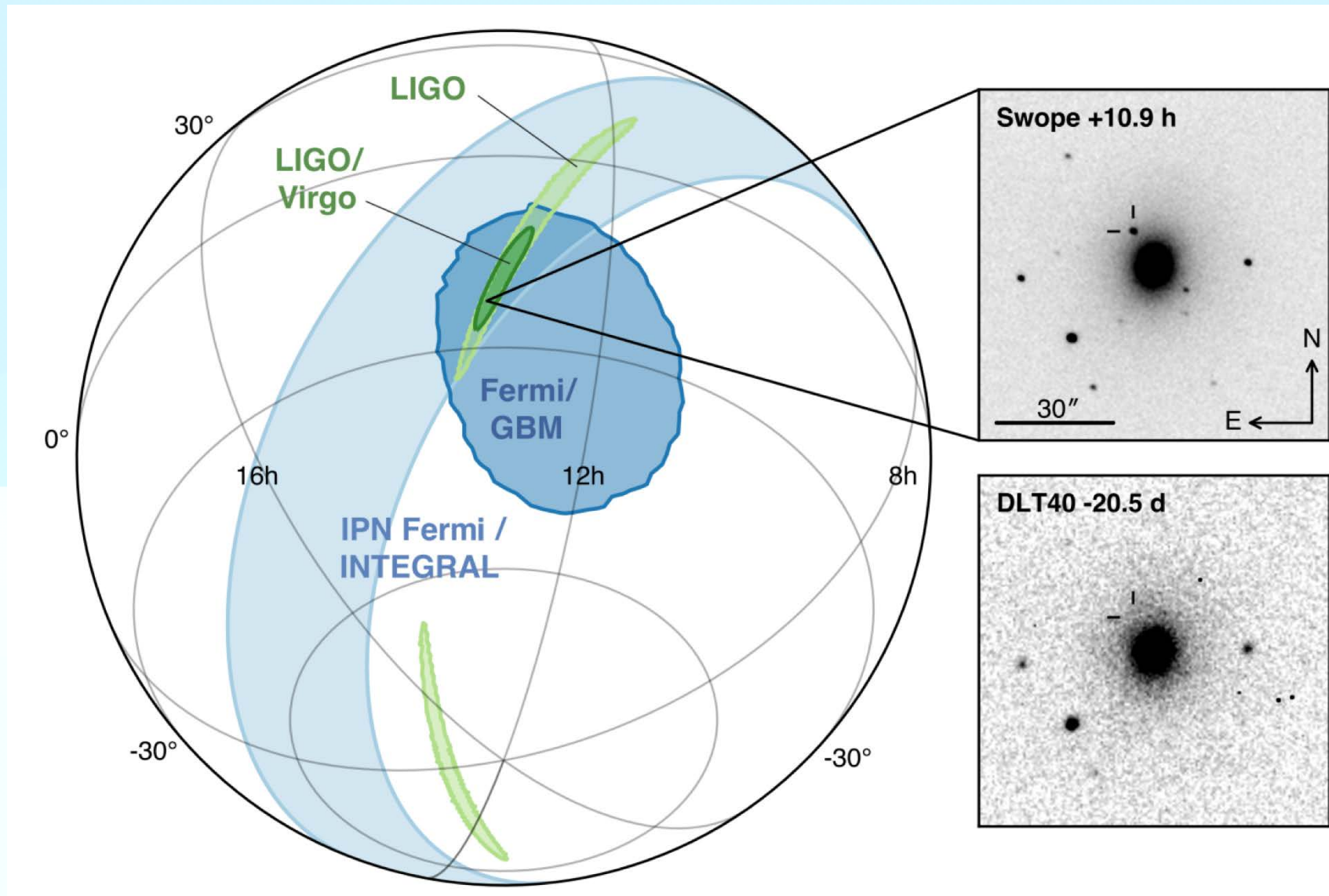
[Kavanagh et al., 2020]



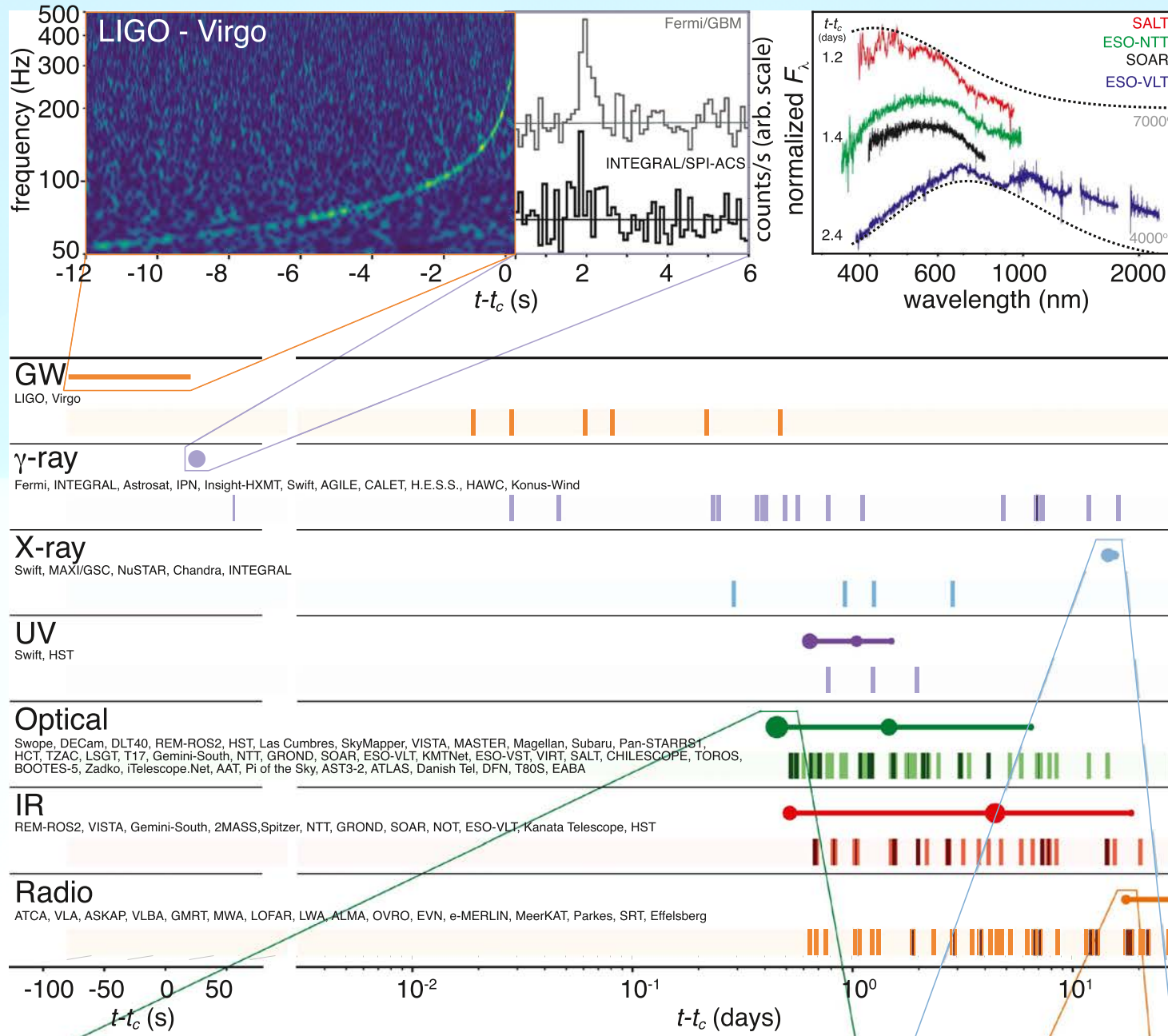
Cloud may spontaneously form around spinning black hole, extracting rotation energy if Compton wavelength comparable to size of black hole.

[Arvanitaki et al., 2010-2011]

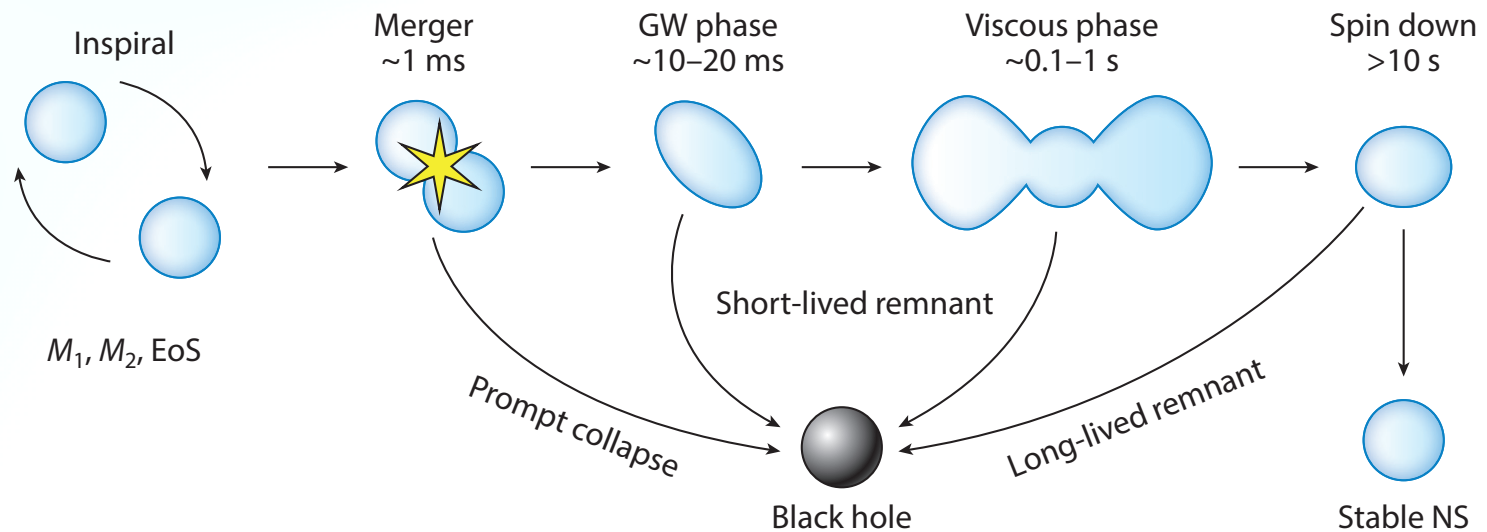
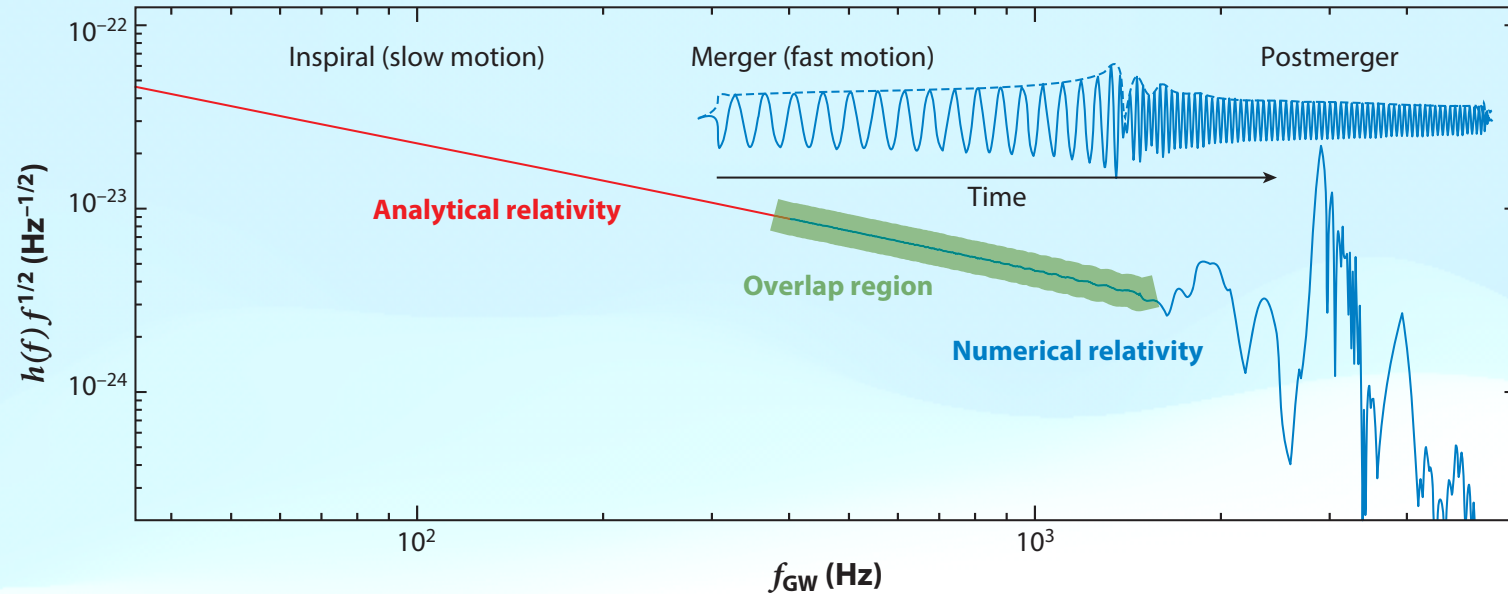
GW170817: Merger of Binary Neutron Stars



EM Counterparts

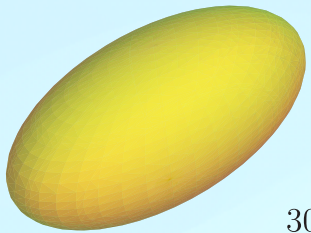


GW from Neutron Star Binaries

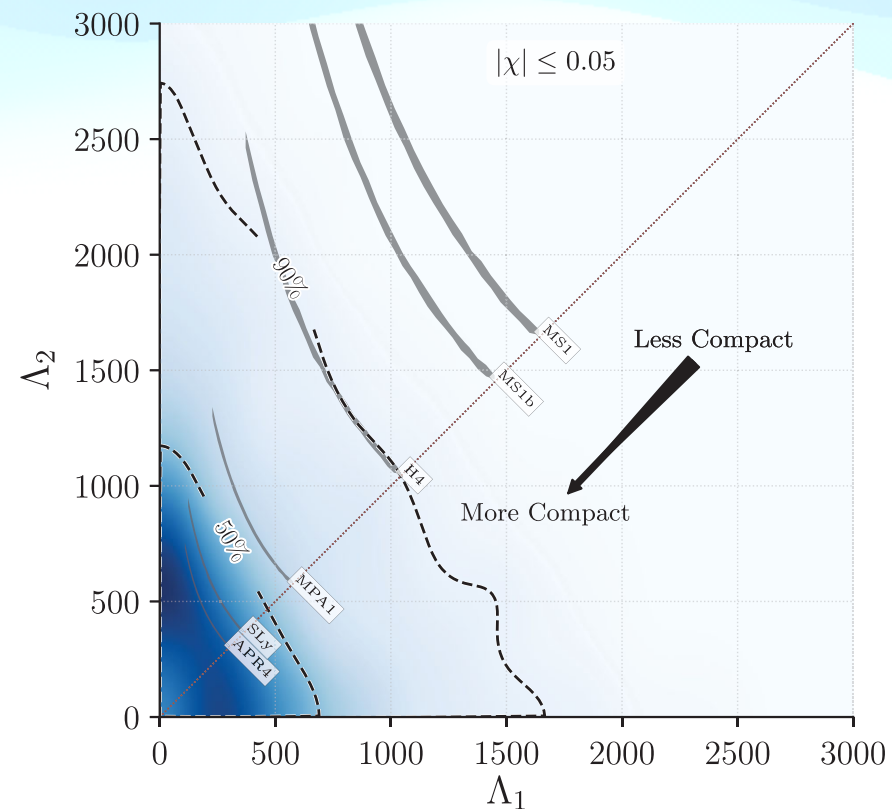
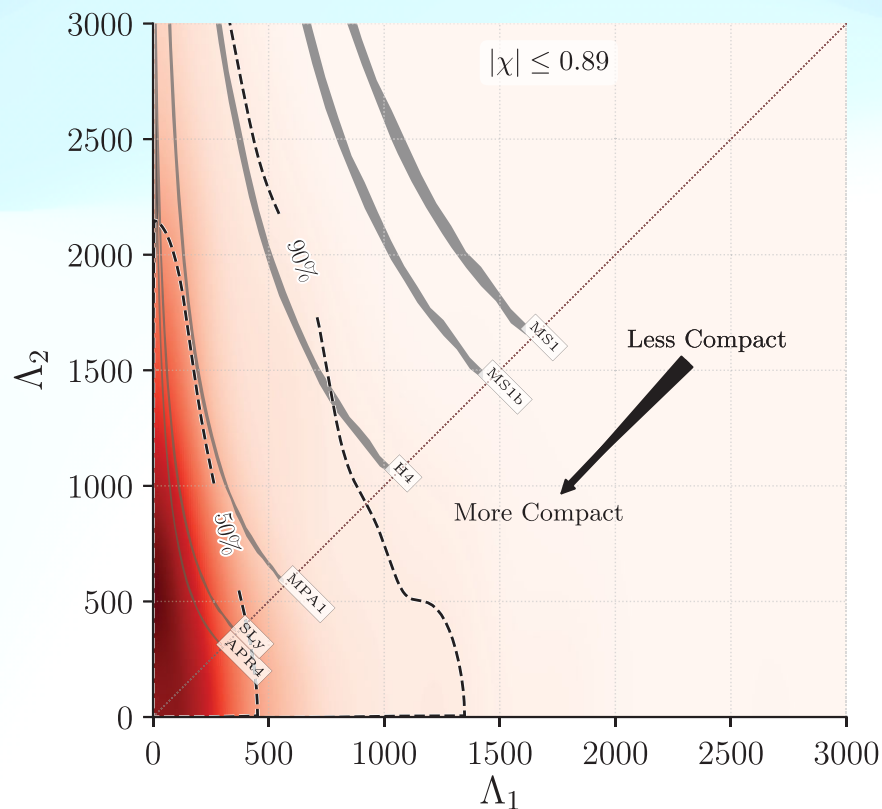


Neutron-Star Tidal Deformability

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$$\phi = -\frac{M}{r} + \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{E}_{ij}x^ix^j - \frac{3}{2}\frac{Q^{ij}n_in_j}{r^3} + \dots \quad Q^{ij} = -\lambda\mathcal{E}^{ij}$$



[Constraints from GW170817, LIGO-VIRGO Collaboration, 2017]

Summary of Lecture 1

- General relativity describes gravity using space-time geometry
- Confirmed by waveforms from binary black holes
 - Weak-field effects: spin/orbital precession.
 - Strong-field effects: black-hole quasi-normal modes.
 - Precision tests require improved sensitivity.
- Neutron star binary merger
 - probes state of matter at high densities