

Gravitational Waves and Dynamics of Coalescing Binary Systems

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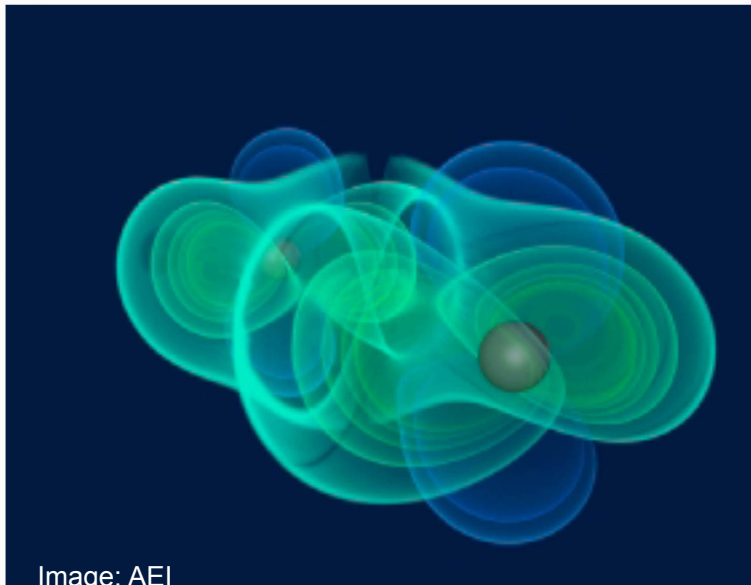
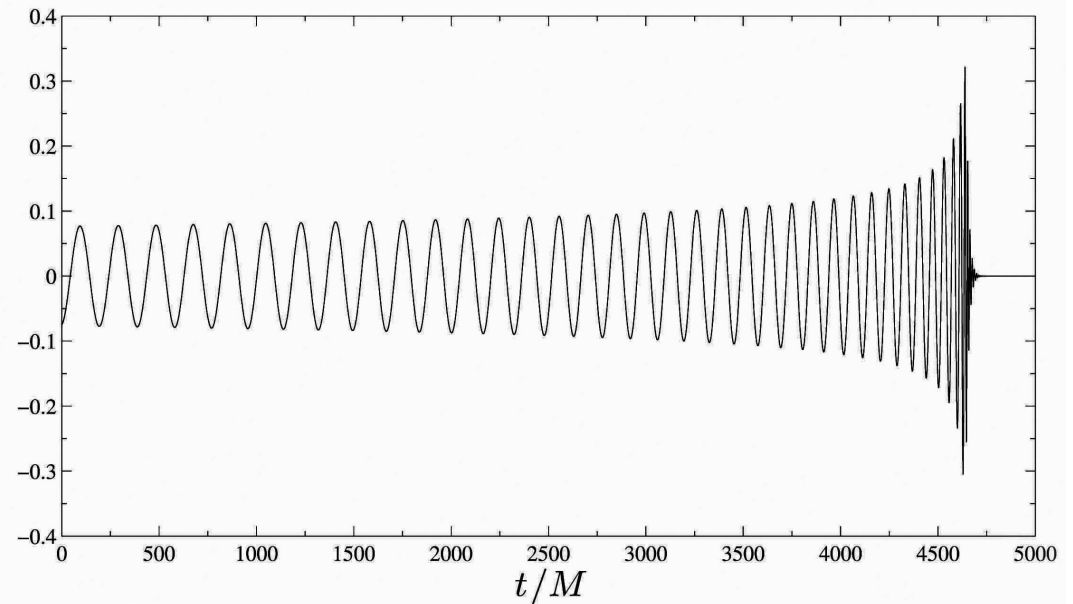
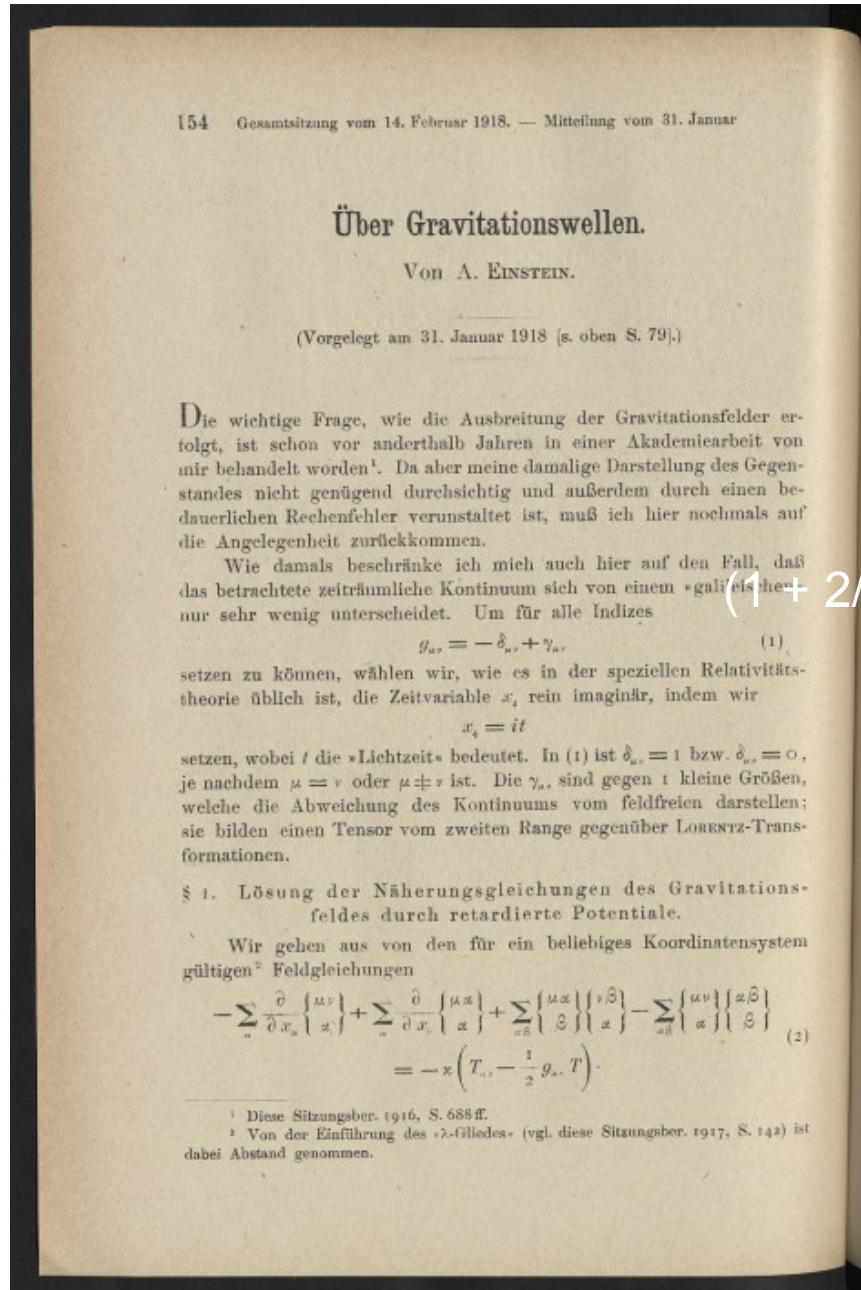


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$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi GT_{\mu\nu}$$

Gravitational Waves in General Relativity (Einstein 1916,1918)



$$g_{ij} = \delta_{ij} + h_{ij}$$

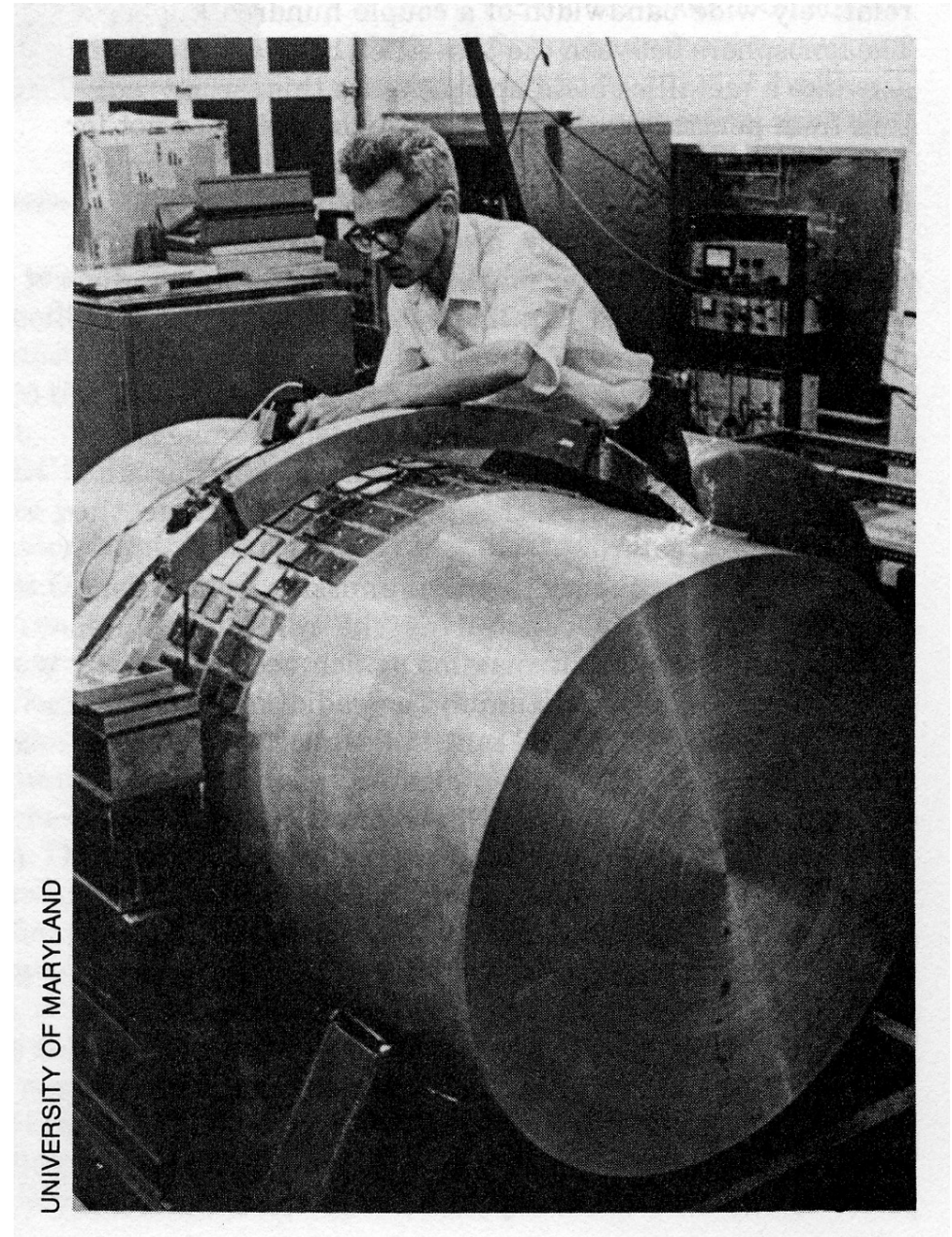
h_{ij} : transverse, traceless and propagates at $v=c$

Gravitational Waves: pioneering their detection

Joseph Weber (1919-2000)

General Relativity and Gravitational Waves
(Interscience Publishers, NY, 1961)

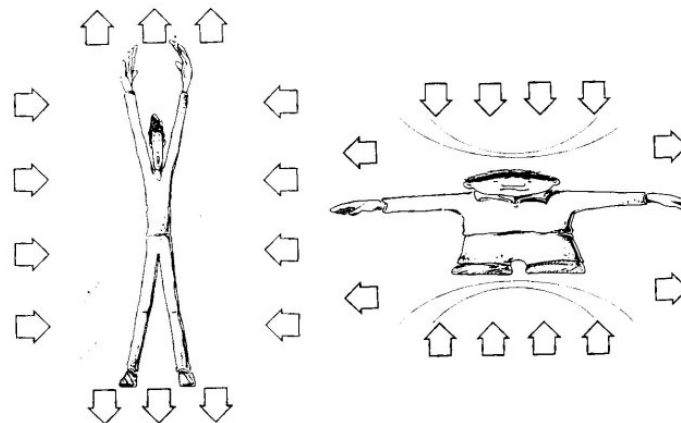
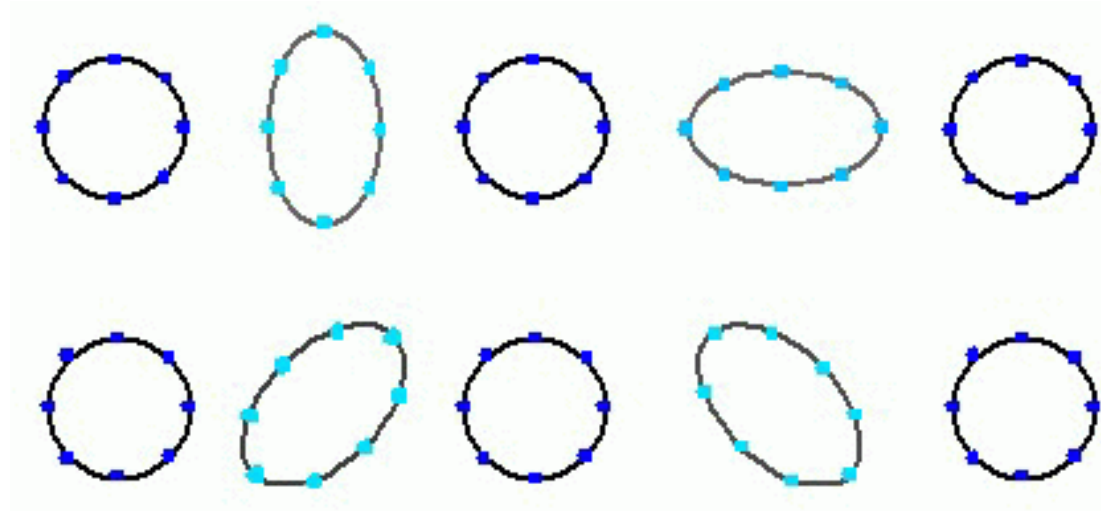
$$\frac{\delta L}{L} \approx h_{ij} n^i n^j$$



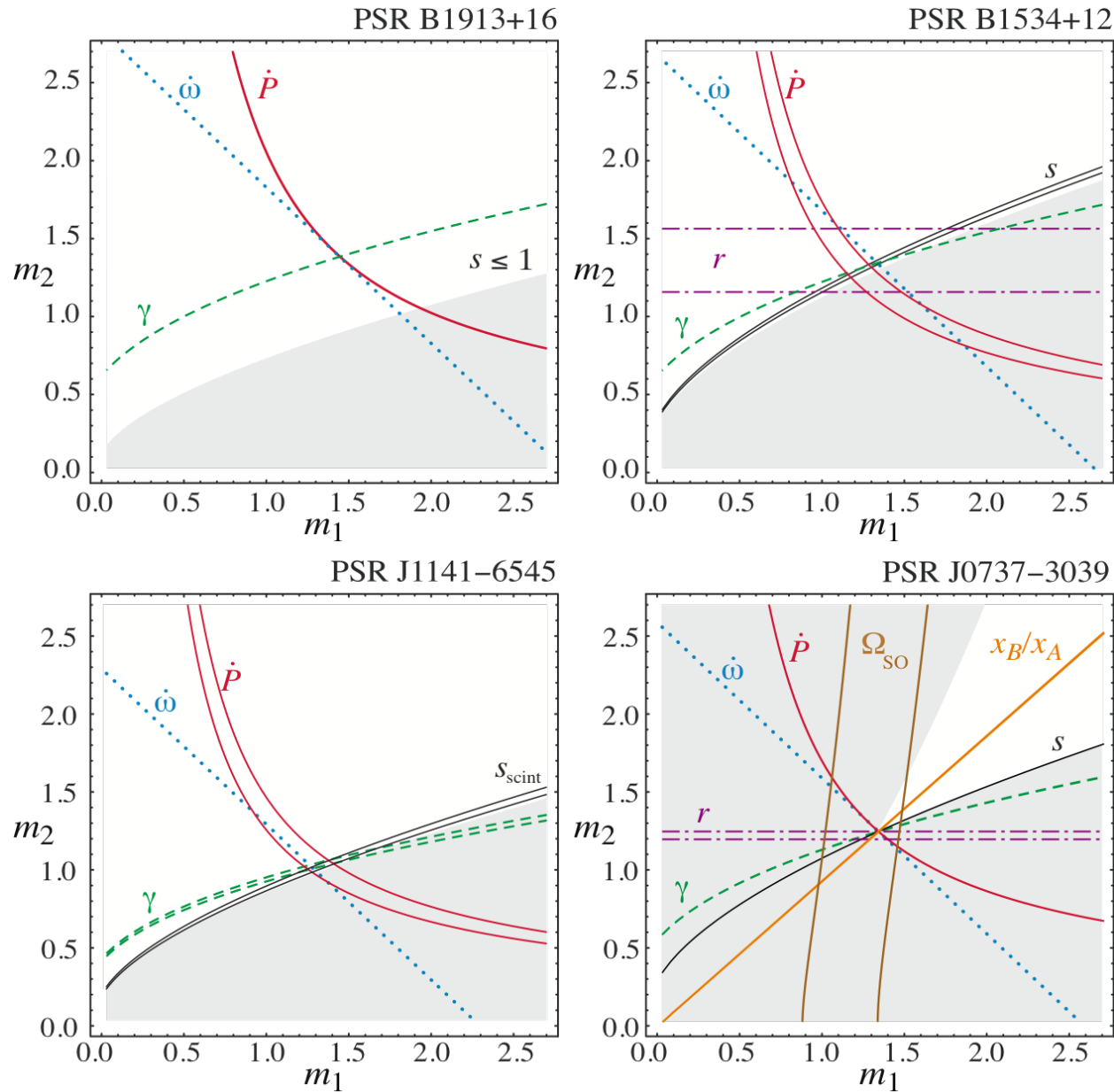
Gravitational Waves: two helicity states $s=\pm 2$

Massless, two helicity states $s=\pm 2$,
i.e. two Transverse-Traceless (TT) tensor polarizations propagating at $v=c$

$$h_{ij} = h_+(x_i x_j - y_i y_j) + h_\times(x_i y_j + y_i x_j)$$



Binary Pulsar Tests I

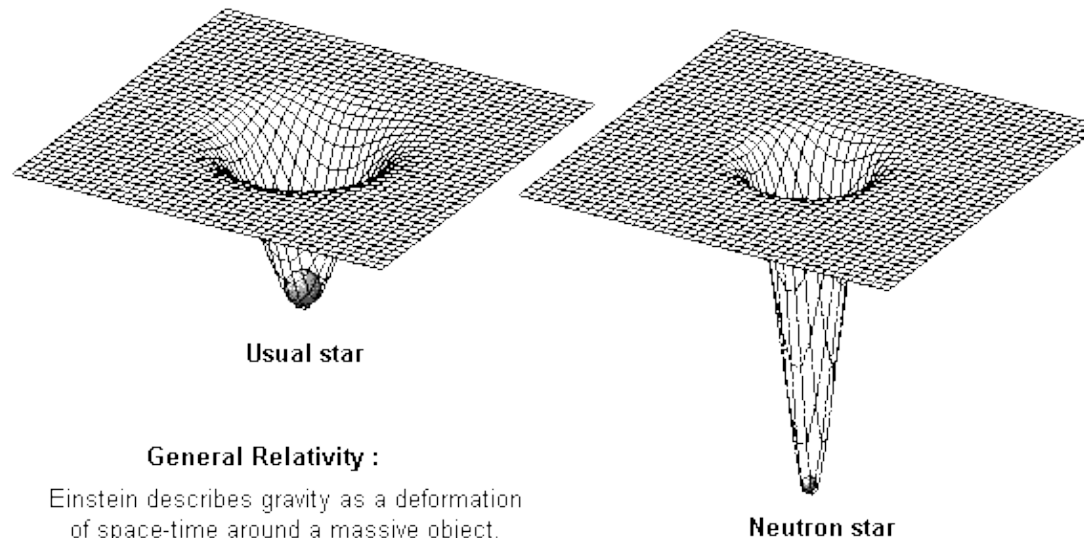


Binary Pulsar Tests II

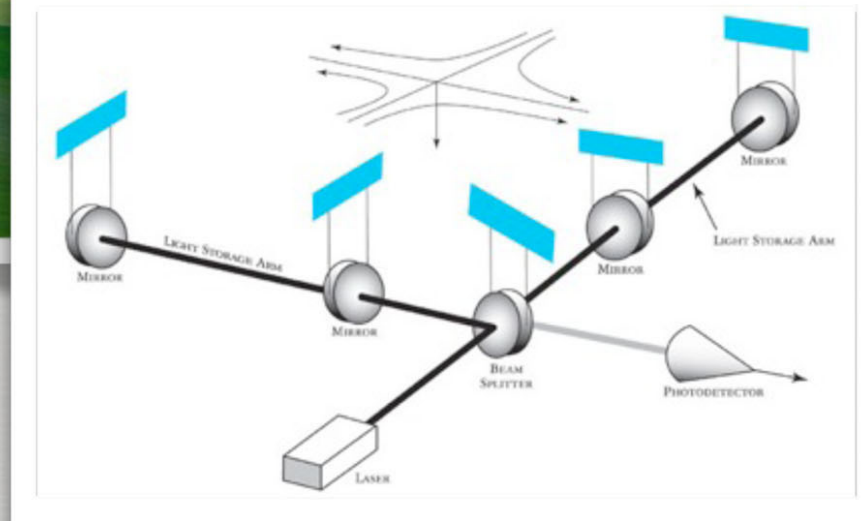
Binary pulsar data have confirmed with 10^{-3} accuracy:

- The reality of gravitational radiation
- Several strong-field aspects of General Relativity

$$C_{NS} = \left(\frac{GM}{c^2 R_{NS}} \right) \approx 0.2 \quad (\text{Which is close to } C_{BH} = 0.5)$$



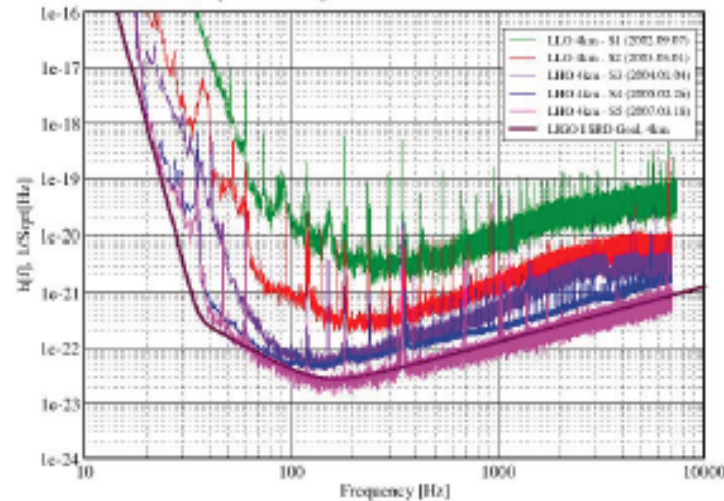
LASER INTERFEROMETER GW DETECTORS



LIGO-VIRGO SENSITIVITY CURVES

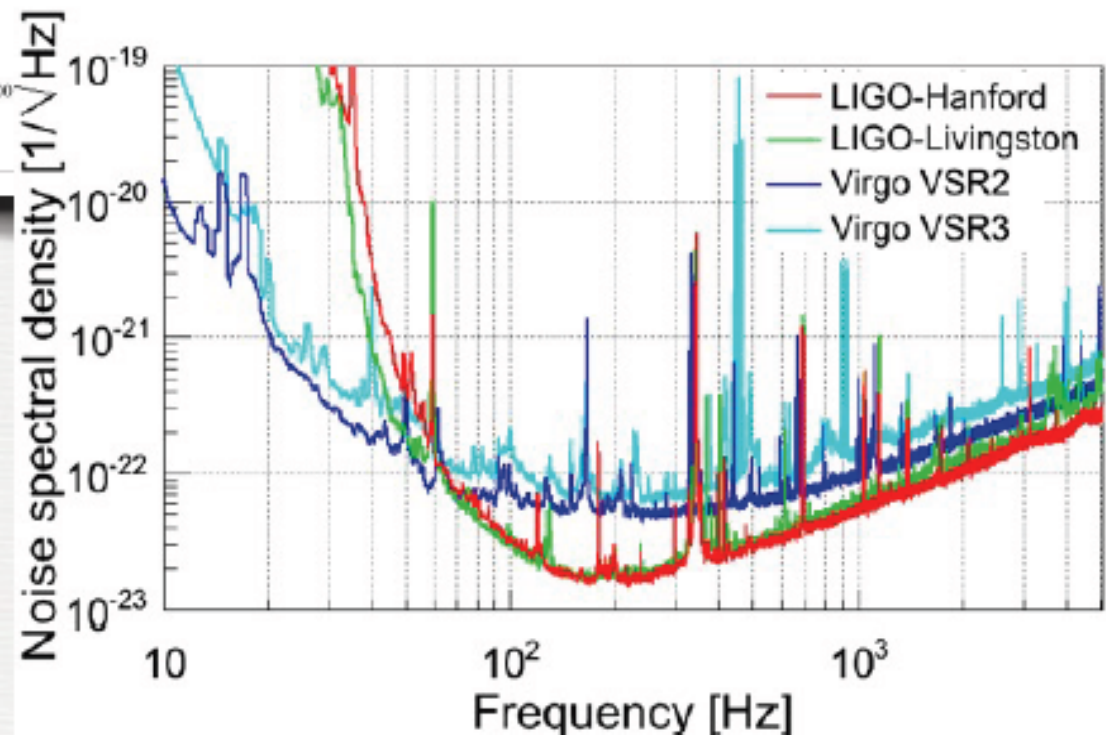
Best Strain Sensivities for the LIGO Interferometers

Comparisons among S1 - S5 Runs LIGO-G060009-03-Z

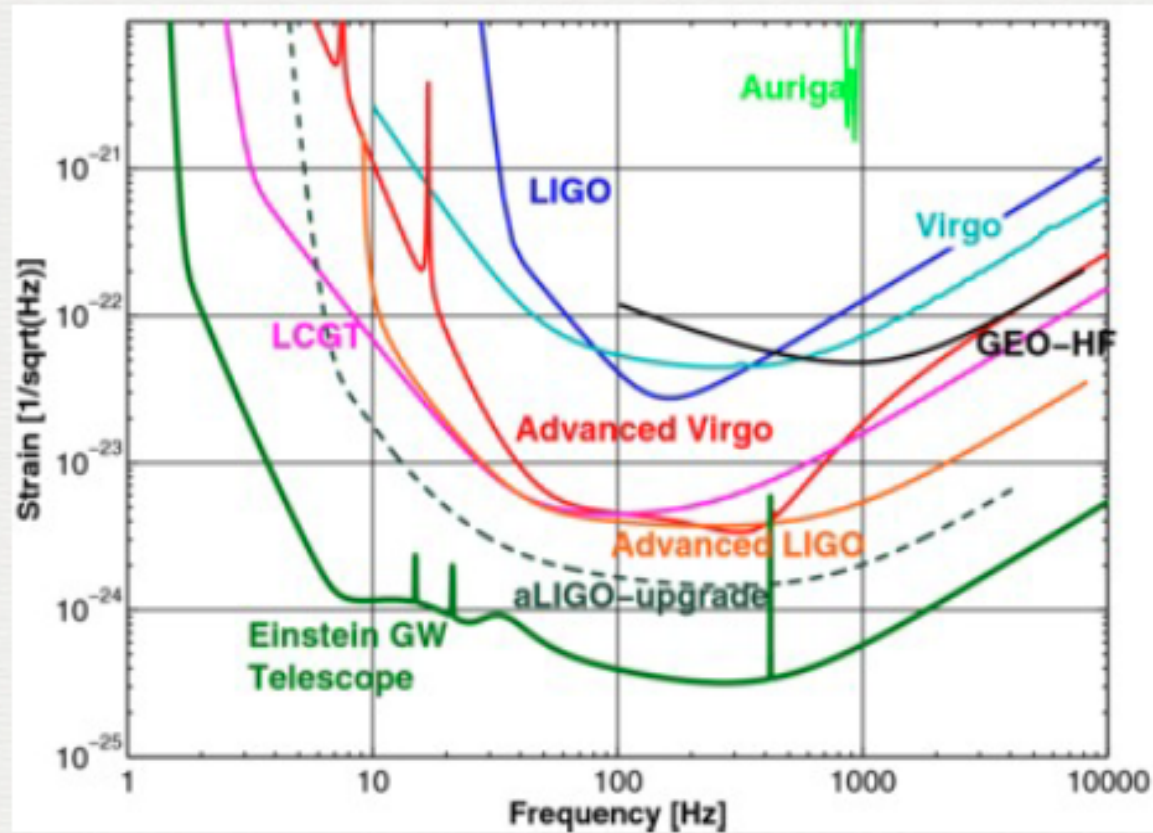


$$h = \frac{\delta L}{L} \approx 10^{-22}$$

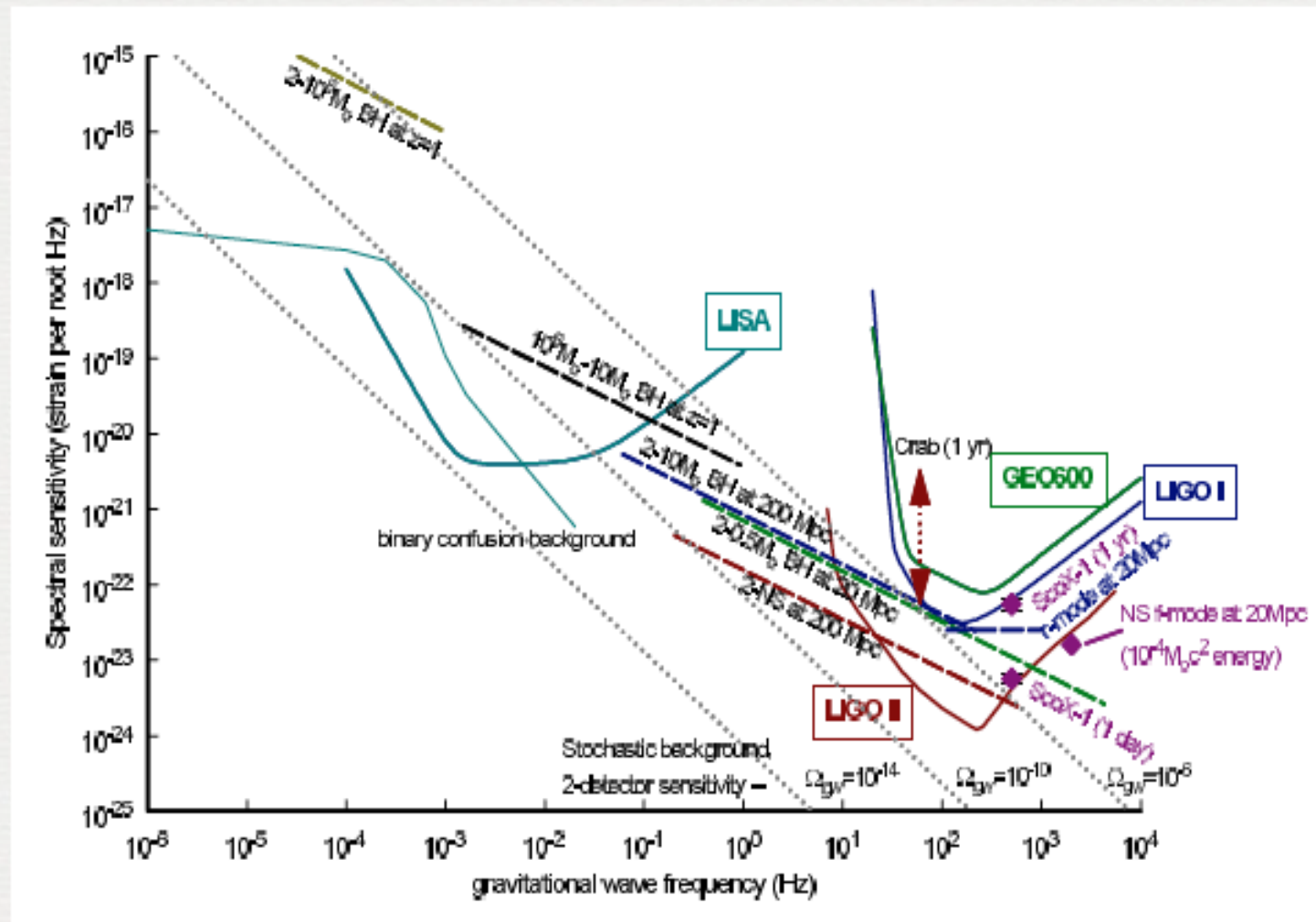
$$\delta L \approx 10^{-17} \text{ cm}$$



ADVANCED DETECTORS



Gravitational wave sources : $h_{ij} \simeq \frac{2G}{c^4 r} \ddot{Q}_{ij}^{TT}(t - r/c)$



Matched filtering technique

To extract GW signal from detector's output (lost in **broad-band noise** $S_n(f)$)

$$\langle output | h_{template} \rangle = \int \frac{df}{S_n(f)} \alpha(f) h_{template}^*(f)$$

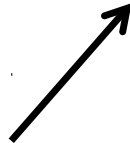
Detector's output

Template of expected
GW signal

Need to know accurate representations of GW templates

The Problem of Motion in General Relativity

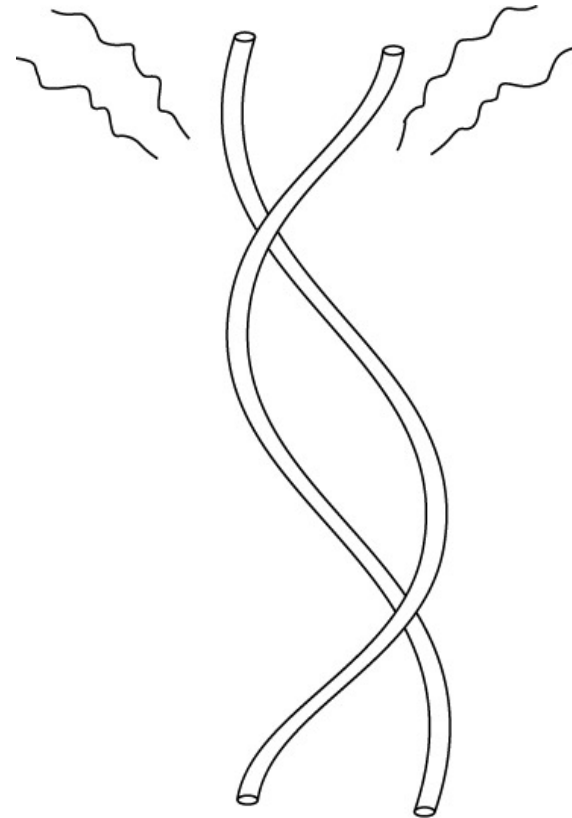
Solve

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}R g_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$


e.g. $T^{\mu\nu} = (e + p) u^\mu u^\nu + p g^{\mu\nu}$

and extract physical results, e.g.

- Lunar laser ranging
- timing of binary pulsars
- gravitational waves emitted by binary black holes



The Problem of Motion in General Relativity (2)

- Approximation Methods
- post-Minkowskian (Einstein 1916) $g_{\mu\nu}(x) = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}(x)$, $h_{\mu\nu} \ll 1$
 - post-Newtonian (Droste 1916) $h_{00} \sim h_{ij} \sim \frac{v^2}{c^2}$, $h_{0i} \sim \frac{v^3}{c^3}$, $\partial_0 h \sim \frac{v}{c} \partial_i h$
 - Matching of asymptotic expansions body zone / near zone / wave zone
 - Numerical Relativity

One-chart versus Multi-chart approaches

Coupling between Einstein field equations and equations of motion
(Bianchi $\Rightarrow \nabla^\nu T_{\mu\nu} = 0$)

Strongly self-gravitating bodies : neutron stars or black holes : $h_{\mu\nu}(x) \sim 1$

Skeletonization : $T_{\mu\nu} \longrightarrow$ point-masses ? δ -functions in GR

Multipolar Expansion

Need to go to very high orders of approximation

Use a “cocktail”: PM, PN, MPM, MAE, EFT, an. reg., dim. reg., ...

Diagrammatic expansion of the interaction Lagrangian

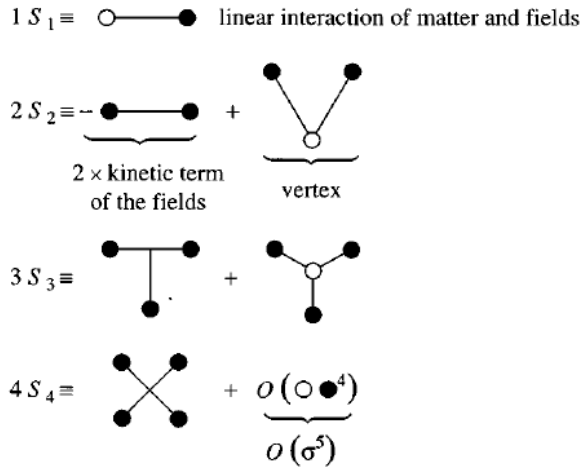


FIG. 4. Diagrammatic expression of the Φ^i -linear terms of the total action (3.6), for $i=1,2,3,4$.

The most delicate term to compute would be the contribution due to the kinetic term of the fields in S_2 , because one must expand up to order σ^3 the two fields Φ it involves. Fortunately, one can avoid estimating this term by using the Euler identity (3.12) to eliminate it from the Fokker action:

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_F[\sigma] &= [(S_0 + S_1 + S_2 + \dots) \\
 &\quad - \frac{1}{2}(S_1 + 2S_2 + 3S_3 + \dots)]_{\Phi = \bar{\Phi}[\sigma]} \\
 &= S_0 + [\frac{1}{2}S_1 - \frac{1}{2}S_3 - S_4]_{\Phi = \bar{\Phi}[\sigma]} + O(\sigma^5).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.13}$$

The result of inserting Fig. 5 into Eq. (3.13) is displayed in Fig. 6. [The different diagrams have been drawn so that angles appear only at the vertices involving matter sources.] In the following, we will designate these diagrams by the letter they most naturally evoke, so that the final result for the Fokker action reads

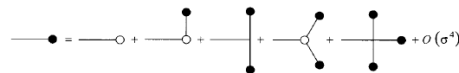


FIG. 5. Equation (3.2a) satisfied by the field $\bar{\Phi}[\sigma]$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_F[\sigma] &= S_0[\sigma] + \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \text{---} \circ \text{---} - \frac{1}{6} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} - \frac{1}{6} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} - \frac{1}{4} \text{---} \circ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \right\}_{\Phi = \bar{\Phi}[\sigma]} + O(\sigma^5) \\
 &= S_0[\sigma] + \left(\frac{1}{2} I \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} V + \frac{1}{3} T + \frac{1}{3} \epsilon + \frac{1}{2} Z + F + \frac{1}{2} H \right) \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{1}{3} X + \frac{1}{2} Y + \frac{1}{2} W + \frac{1}{2} U + \frac{1}{4} R + \frac{1}{4} S \right) + O(\sigma^5)
 \end{aligned}$$

FIG. 6. Diagrammatic expansion of the Fokker action (3.13).

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_F[\sigma] &= S_0[\sigma] + \left(\frac{1}{2} I \right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} V + \frac{1}{3} T \right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} \epsilon + \frac{1}{2} Z + F + \frac{1}{2} H \right) \\
 &\quad + \left(\frac{1}{4} X \right) + O(\sigma^5).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.14}$$

where R_{abcd} is the Riemann curvature of γ_{ab} . This choice cancels the term of order $\varphi \partial \varphi \partial \varphi$ in $S_{\text{spin } 0}$, i.e., the “ T ”

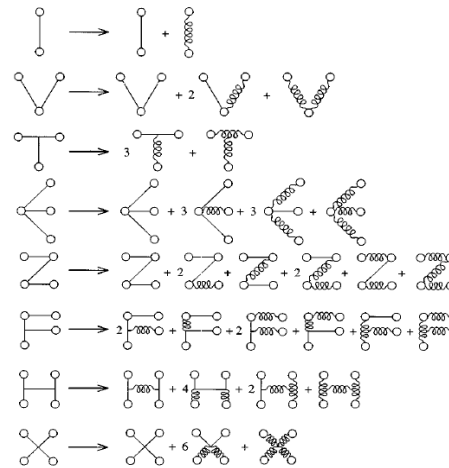
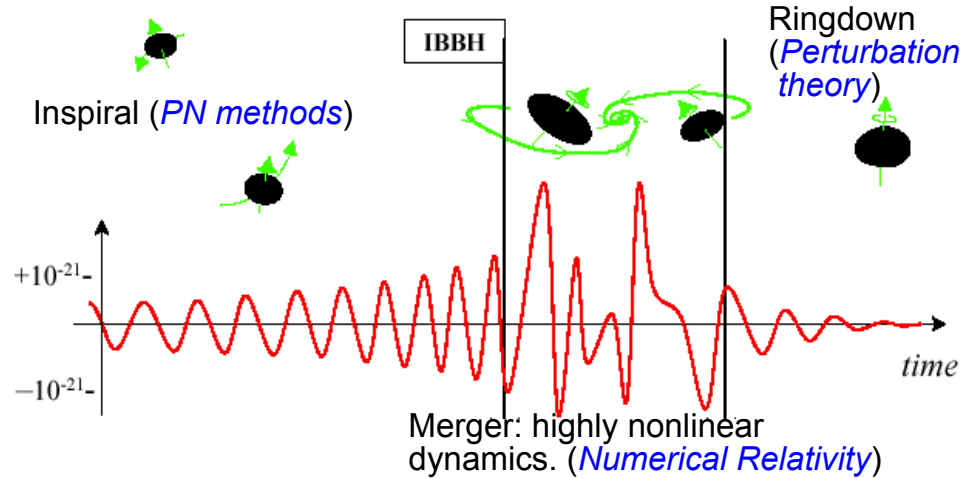


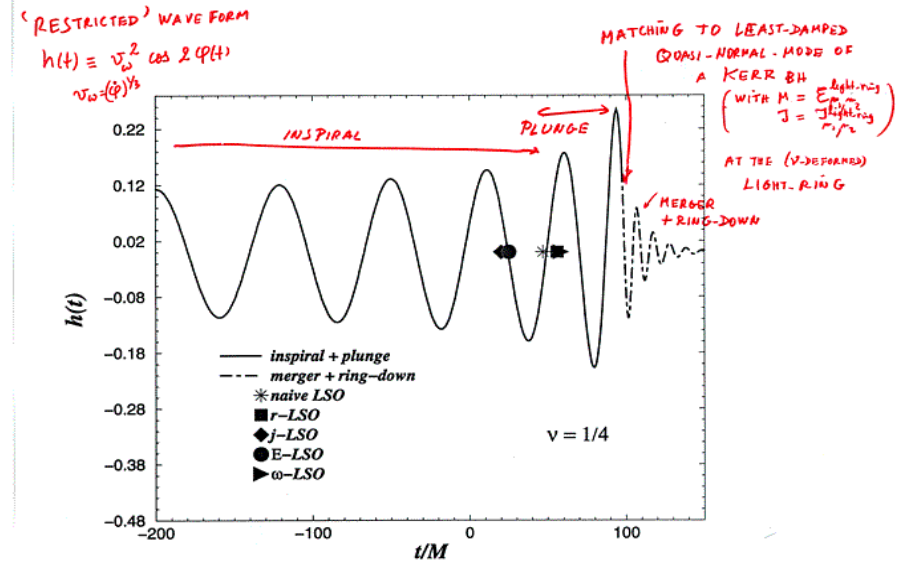
FIG. 7. Expression of the diagrams of Fig. 6 when the graviton and scalar propagators are represented respectively as curly and straight lines.

Templates for GWs from BBH coalescence

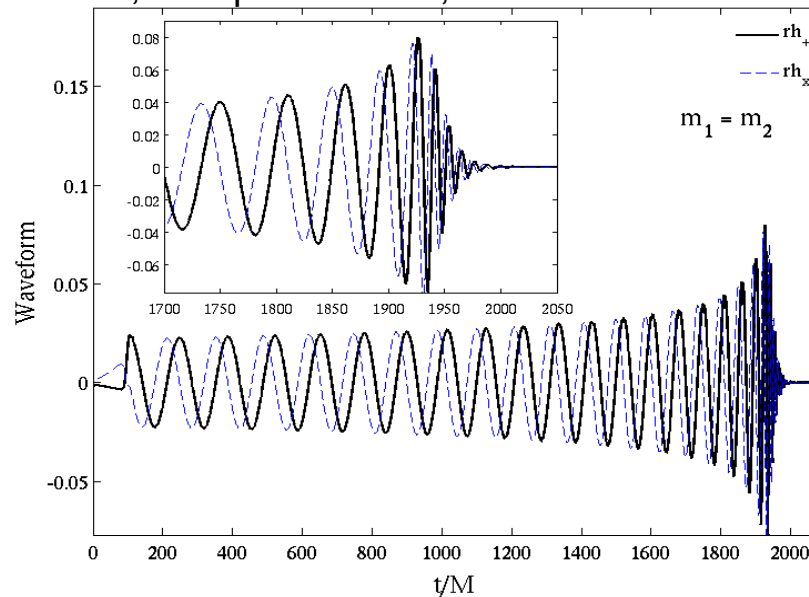
(Brady, Craighton, Thorne 1998)



(Buonanno & Damour 2000)



Numerical Relativity, the 2005 breakthrough:
Pretorius, Campanelli et al., Baker et al. ...



Binary black hole coalescence: Numerical Relativity

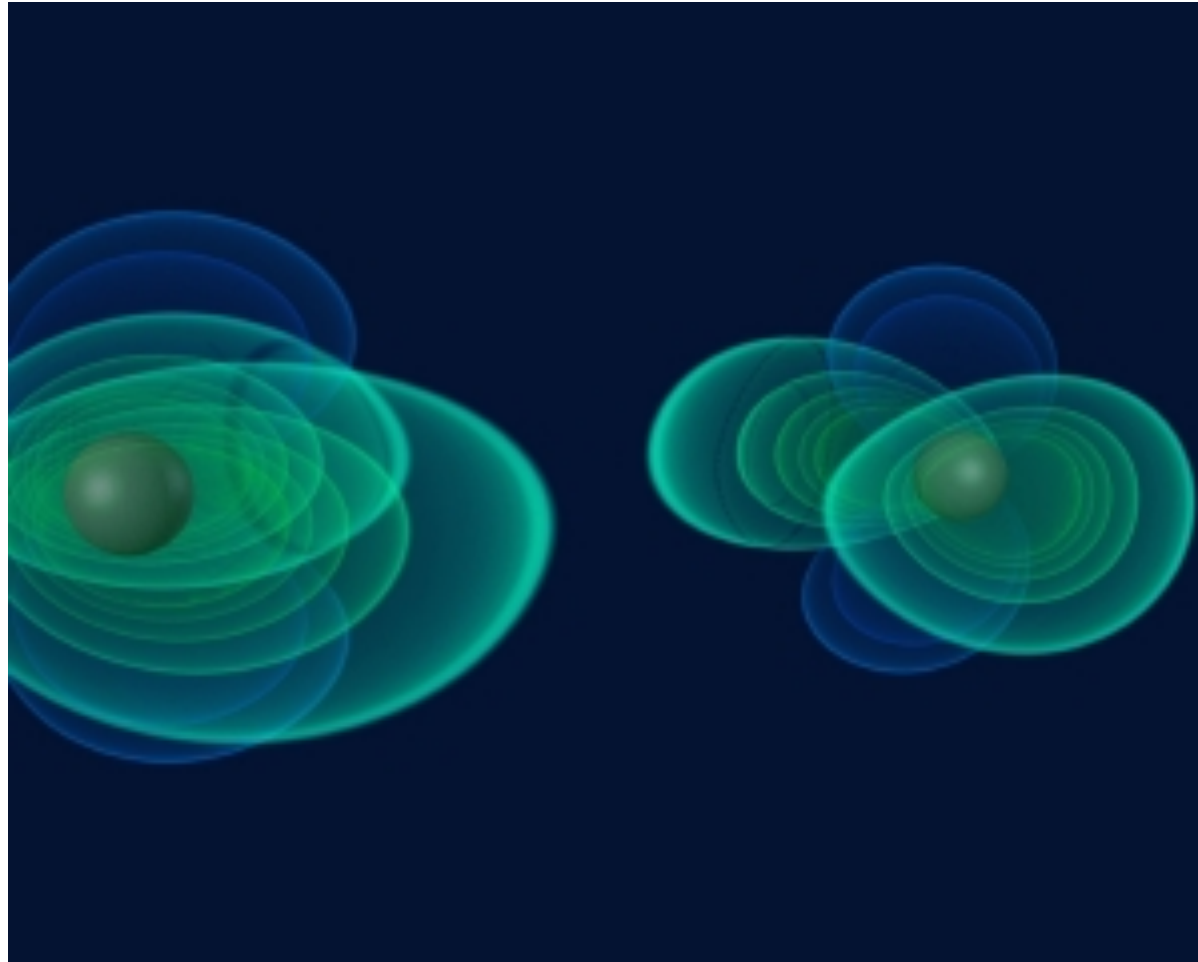


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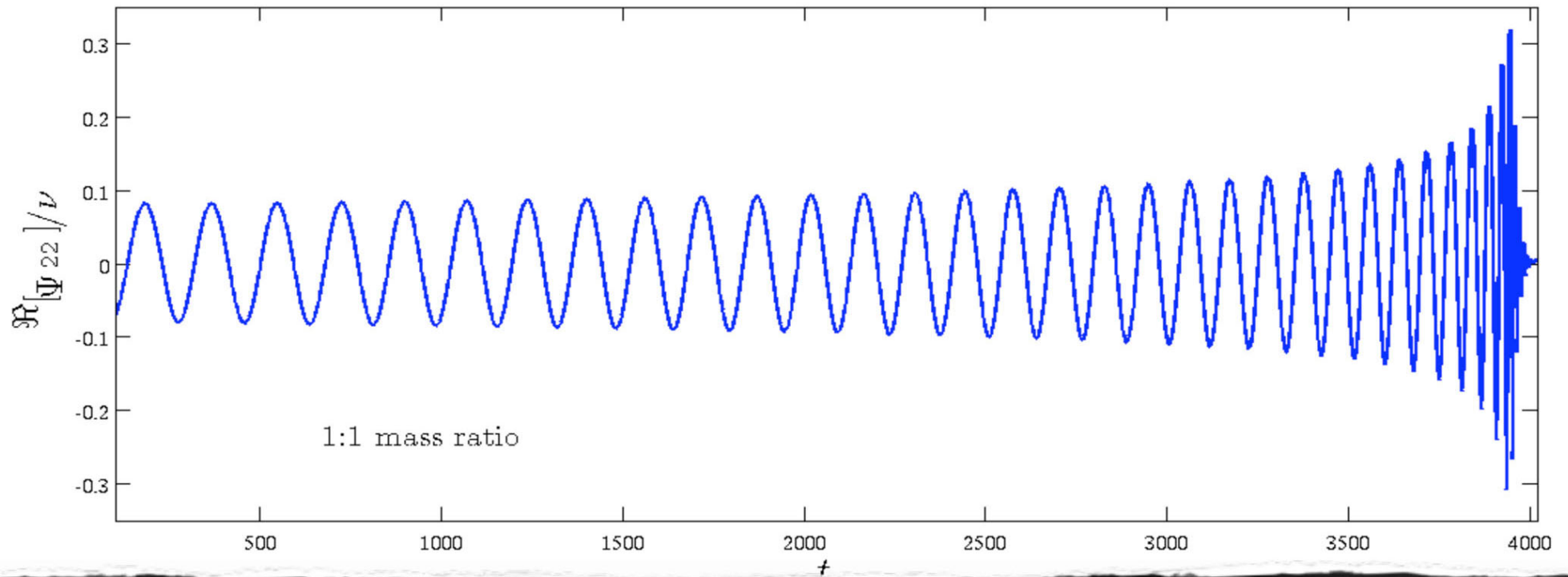
NUMERICAL RELATIVITY WAVEFORM

Numerical Relativity: ≥ 2005 (Pretorius, Campanelli et al., Baker et al.)

Very accurate data: Caltech-Cornell spectral code (with some caveats): M. Scheel et al., 2008

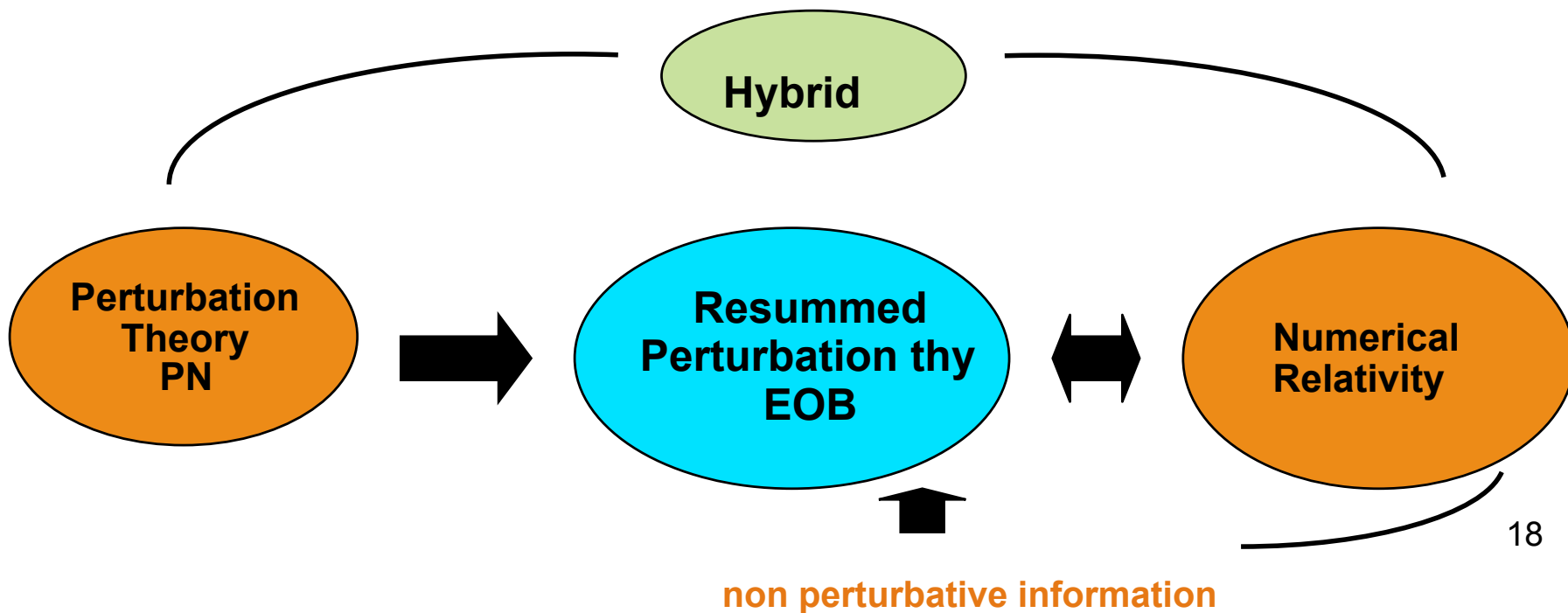
Spectral code

Extrapolation (radius & resolution) Phase error: < 0.02 rad (inspiral) < 0.1 rad (ringdown)



Importance of an analytical formalism

- **Theoretical:** physical understanding of the coalescence process, especially in complicated situations (arbitrary spins)
- **Practical:** need many thousands of accurate GW templates for detection & data analysis; need some “analytical” representation of waveform templates as $f(m_1, m_2, \mathbf{S}_1, \mathbf{S}_2)$
- Solution: **synergy between analytical & numerical relativity**



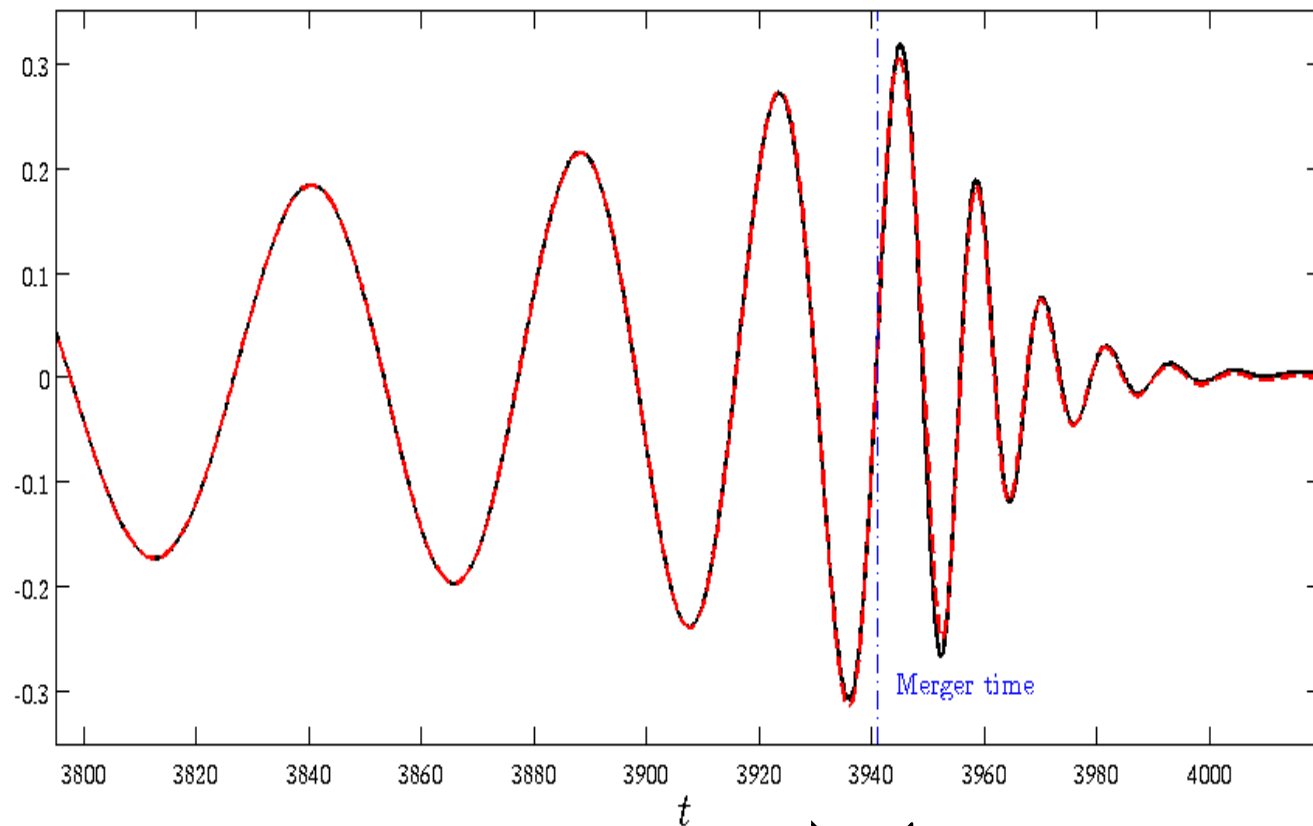
An improved analytical approach

EFFECTIVE ONE BODY (EOB) approach to the two-body problem

Buonanno,Damour 99
Buonanno,Damour 00
Damour, Jaranowski,Schäfer 00
Damour 01, Buonanno, Chen, Damour 05,...
Damour, Nagar 07, Damour, Iyer, Nagar 08
Buonanno, Cook, Pretorius 07, Buonanno, Pan ...
Damour, Nagar 10

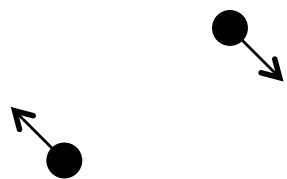
(2 PN Hamiltonian)
(Rad.Reac. full waveform)
(3 PN Hamiltonian)
(spin)
(factorized waveform)
(comparison to NR)
(tidal effects)

Binary black hole coalescence: Analytical Relativity



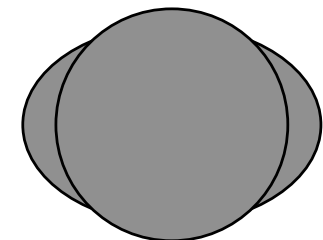
Inspiral + « plunge »

Ringdown



Two orbiting point-masses:
Resummed dynamics

Ringling BH



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Motion of two point masses

$$S = \int d^D x \frac{R(g)}{16\pi G} - \sum_A \int m_A \sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu}(y_A) dy_A^\mu dy_A^\nu}$$

Dimensional continuation : $D = 4 + \varepsilon$, $\varepsilon \in \mathbb{C}$

Dynamics : up to **3 loops**, i.e. 3 PN

Jaranowski, Schäfer 98

Blanchet, Faye 01

Damour, Jaranowski Schäfer 01

Itoh, Futamase 03

Blanchet, Damour, Esposito-Farèse 04

Foffa, Sturani 11

4PN & 5PN log terms (Damour 10, Blanchet et al 11)

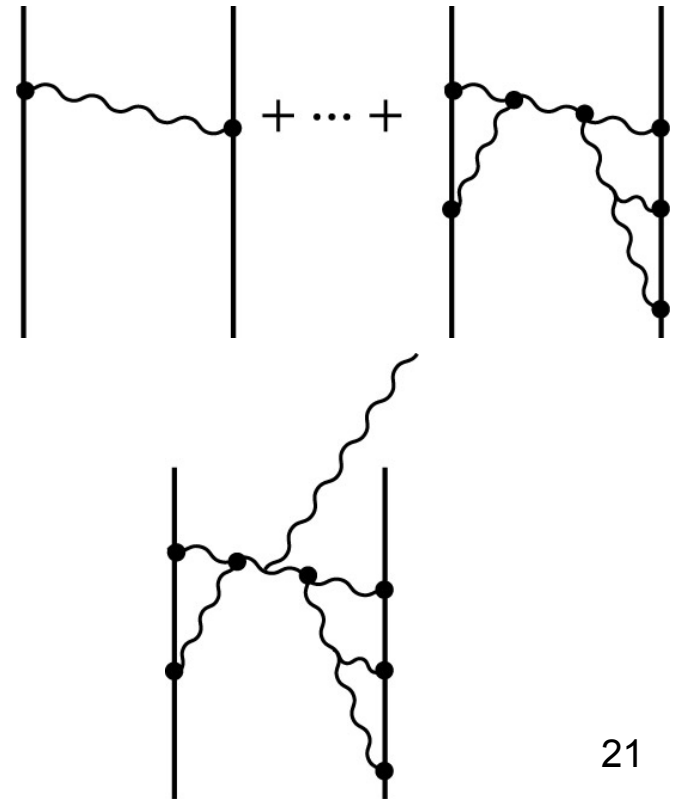
4PN (Jaranowski&Schaefer 13,
Foffa&Sturani 13, Bini&Damour 13)

Radiation : up to 3 PN

Blanchet, Iyer, Joguet, 02,

Blanchet, Damour, Esposito-Farèse, Iyer 04

Blanchet, Faye, Iyer, Sinha 08



2-body Taylor-expanded 3PN Hamiltonian [JS98, DJS00,01]

$$H_N(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = \sum_a \frac{\mathbf{p}_a^2}{2m_a} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_a \sum_{b \neq a} \frac{G m_a m_b}{r_{ab}}$$

$$H_{1PN}(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = -\frac{1}{8} \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^2}{m_1^3} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \left[-12 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^2} + 14 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} + 2 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right] + \frac{1}{4} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{r_{12}} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2), \quad 1PN$$

$$H_{2PN}(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = \frac{1}{16} \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^3}{m_1^5} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \left[5 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^2}{m_1^4} - \frac{11}{2} \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} - \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} + 5 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. - 6 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^2 m_2^2} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right] \\ + \frac{1}{4} \frac{G^2 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^2} \left[m_2 \left(10 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^2} + 19 \frac{\mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_2^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \frac{27 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) + 6 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right] \\ - \frac{1}{8} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \frac{G^2 (m_1^2 + 5 m_1 m_2 + m_2^2)}{r_{12}^2} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2). \quad 2PN$$

$$H_{3PN}^{\text{reg}}(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = -\frac{5}{128} \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^4}{m_1^7} + \frac{1}{32} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \left[-14 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^3}{m_1^6} + 4 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2 + 4 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_1^4 m_2^2} \mathbf{p}_1^2 + \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2 - 2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2)(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. - 10 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2 + \mathbf{p}_2^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2) \mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^4 m_2^2} + 24 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^4 m_2^2} + 2 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^3 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(7 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2 - 10 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2^2} + 6 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^4 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. + 15 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^3 m_2^2} - 18 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^3}{m_1^3 m_2^2} + 5 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^3 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^3}{m_1^3 m_2^2} \right] \\ + \frac{G^2 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^2} \left[\frac{1}{16} (m_1 - 27 m_2) \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^2}{m_1^4} - \frac{115}{16} \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2} + \frac{1}{48} m_2 \frac{25 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2 + 371 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{17}{16} \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2}{m_1^3} - \frac{1}{8} m_1 \frac{(15 \mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) + 11 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1))(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)}{m_1^3 m_2} + \frac{5}{12} \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^4}{m_1^3} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{3}{2} m_1 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^3 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2} + \frac{125}{12} m_2 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^2 m_2^2} + \frac{10}{3} m_2 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{48} (220 m_1 + 193 m_2) \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^4 m_2^2} \right] + \frac{G^3 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^3} \left[-\frac{1}{48} \left(466 m_1^2 + \left(473 - \frac{3}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 + 150 m_2^2 \right) \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^4} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{16} \left(77 (m_1^2 + m_2^2) + \left(143 - \frac{1}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 \right) \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} + \frac{1}{16} \left(61 m_1^2 - \left(43 + \frac{3}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 \right) \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2}{m_1^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{16} \left(21 (m_1^2 + m_2^2) + \left(119 + \frac{3}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 \right) \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right] \\ + \frac{1}{8} \frac{G^4 m_1 m_2^3}{r_{12}^4} \left[\left(\frac{227}{3} - \frac{21}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 + m_2 \right] + (1 \leftrightarrow 2). \quad 3PN \quad (12)$$

Taylor-expanded 3PN waveform

Blanchet, Iyer, Joguet 02, Blanchet, Damour, Esposito-Farese, Iyer 04, Kidder 07, Blanchet et al. 08

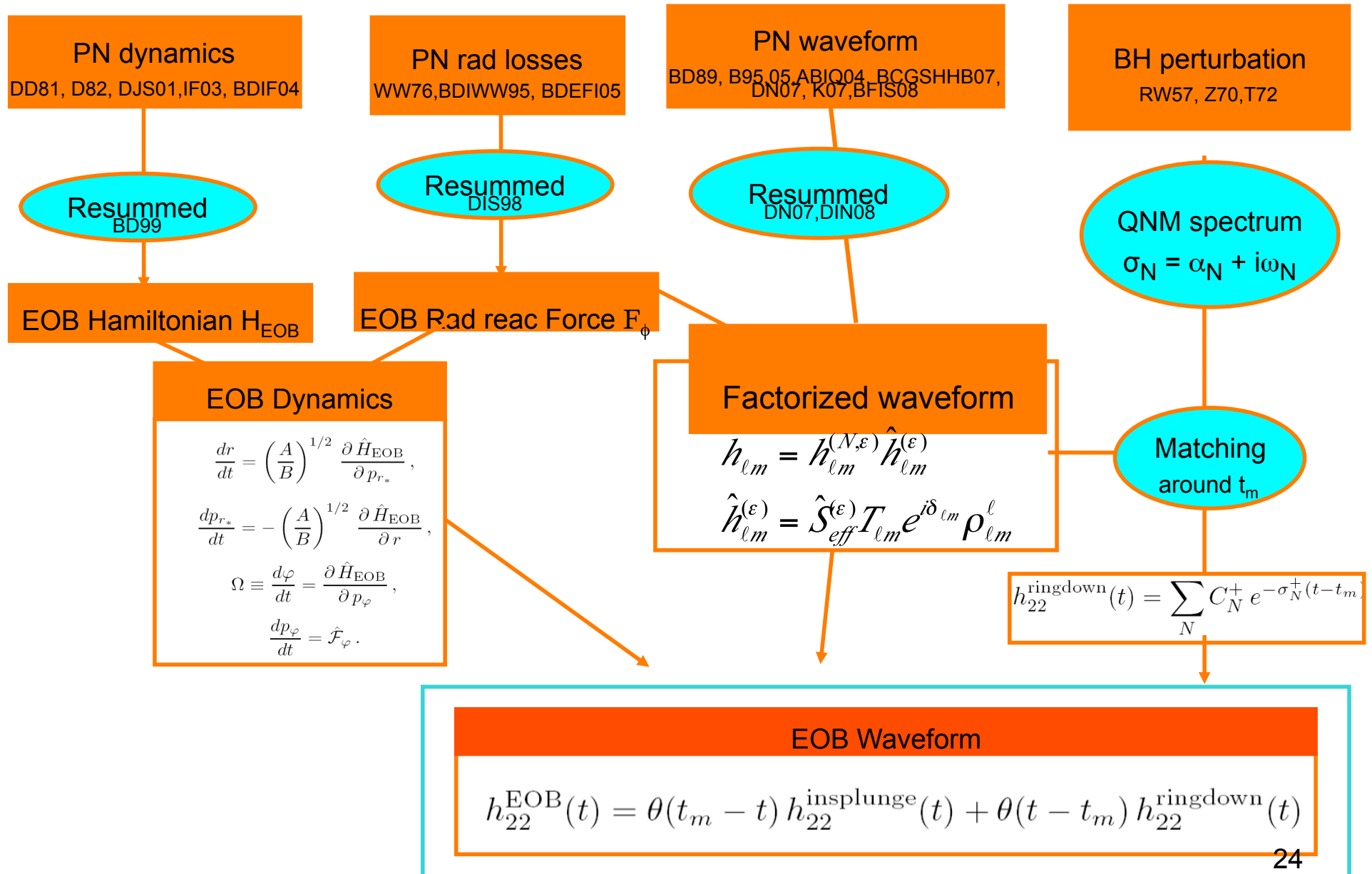
$$\begin{aligned} h^{22} = & -8\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{5}} \frac{G\nu m}{c^2 R} e^{-2i\phi} x \left\{ 1 - x \left(\frac{107}{42} - \frac{55}{42} \nu \right) + x^{3/2} \left[2\pi + 6i \ln\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) \right] - x^2 \left(\frac{2173}{1512} + \frac{1069}{216} \nu - \frac{2047}{1512} \nu^2 \right) \right. \\ & - x^{5/2} \left[\left(\frac{107}{21} - \frac{34}{21} \nu \right) \pi + 24i\nu + \left(\frac{107i}{7} - \frac{34i}{7} \nu \right) \ln\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) \right] \\ & + x^3 \left[\frac{27\,027\,409}{646\,800} - \frac{856}{105} \gamma_E + \frac{2}{3} \pi^2 - \frac{1712}{105} \ln 2 - \frac{428}{105} \ln x \right. \\ & \left. \left. - 18 \left[\ln\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) \right]^2 - \left(\frac{278\,185}{33\,264} - \frac{41}{96} \pi^2 \right) \nu - \frac{20\,261}{2772} \nu^2 + \frac{114\,635}{99\,792} \nu^3 + \frac{428i}{105} \pi + 12i\pi \ln\left(\frac{x}{x_0}\right) \right] + O(\epsilon^{7/2}) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$x = (M\Omega)^{2/3} \sim v^2/c^2$$

$$M = m_1 + m_2$$

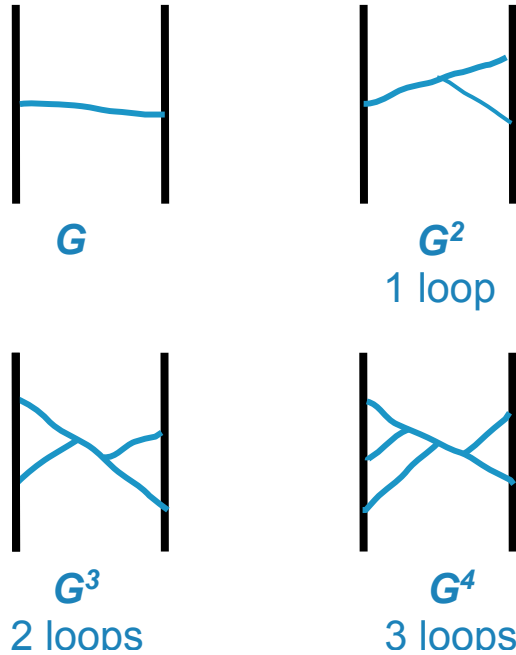
$$\nu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)^2$$

Structure of EOB formalism

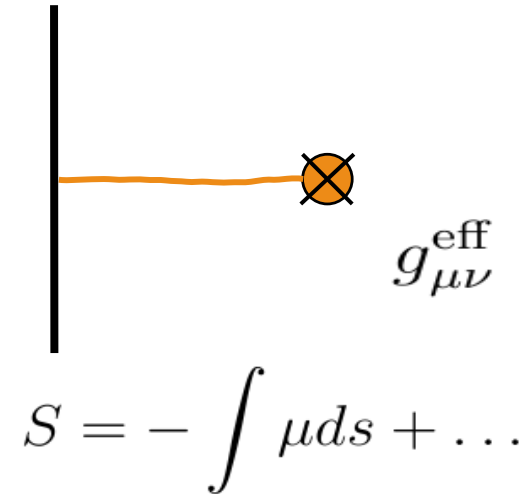


Real dynamics versus Effective dynamics

Real dynamics



Effective dynamics



$$H = H_0 + \left(GH_1 + \frac{G^2}{c^2} H_2 + \frac{G^3}{c^4} H_3 + \frac{G^4}{c^6} H_4 \right) \left(1 + \frac{1}{c^2} + \dots \right)$$

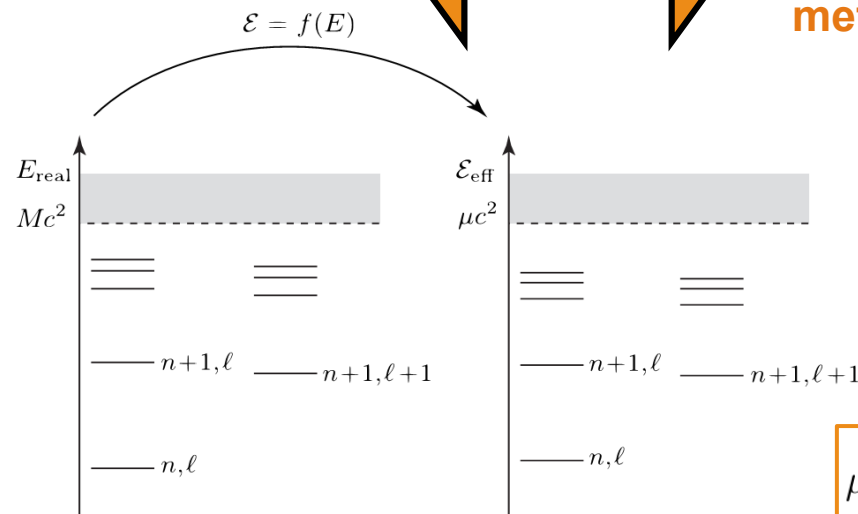
Effective metric

$$ds_{\text{eff}}^2 = -A(r)dt^2 + B(r)dr^2 + r^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\varphi^2)$$

Two-body/EOB “correspondence”: think quantum-mechanically (Wheeler)

Real 2-body system (m_1, m_2)
(in the c.o.m. frame)

an effective particle of
mass μ in some effective
metric $g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}(M)$



$$\mu^2 + g_{\text{eff}}^{\mu\nu} \frac{\partial S_{\text{eff}}}{\partial x^\mu} \frac{\partial S_{\text{eff}}}{\partial x^\nu} + \mathcal{O}(p^4) = 0$$

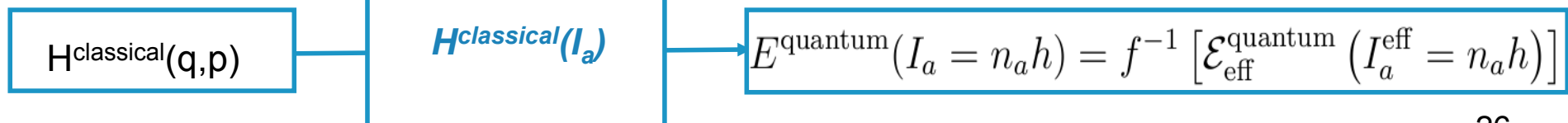
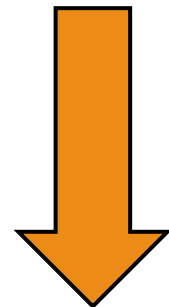
Figure 1: Sketch of the correspondence between the quantized energy levels of the real and effective conservative dynamics. n denotes the ‘principal quantum

Sommerfeld “Old
Quantum Mechanics”:

$$J = \ell \hbar = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint p_\varphi d\varphi$$

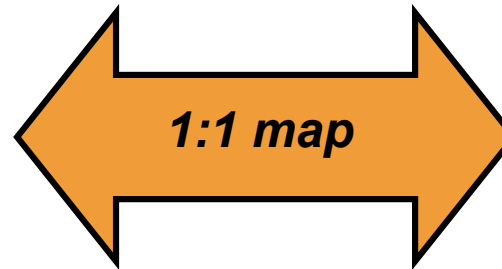
$$N = n \hbar = I_r + J$$

$$I_r = \frac{1}{2\pi} \oint p_r dr$$



The EOB energy map

Real 2-body system (m_1, m_2)
(in the c.o.m. frame)



an effective particle of
Mass $\mu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)$ in
some effective
metric $g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}(M)$

Simple energy map

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{eff}} = \frac{s - m_1^2 - m_2^2}{2M}$$

$$s = E_{\text{real}}^2$$

$$H_{\text{EOB}} = M \sqrt{1 + 2\nu (\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} - 1)}$$

$$M = m_1 + m_2$$
$$\nu = m_1 m_2 / (m_1 + m_2)^2$$

Explicit form of the EOB effective Hamiltonian

The effective metric $g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}(M)$ at 3PN

$$ds^2 = -A(r)dt^2 + B(r)dr^2 + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2\theta d\varphi^2).$$

where the coefficients are a ν -dependent “deformation” of the Schwarzschild ones:

$$A_{3\text{PN}}(R) = 1 - 2u + 2\nu u^3 + a_4\nu u^4$$

$$a_4 = \frac{94}{3} - \frac{41}{32}\pi^2 \simeq 18.6879027$$

$$(A(R)B(R))_{3\text{PN}} = 1 - 6\nu u^2 + 2(3\nu - 26)\nu u^3$$

$$u = GM/(c^2r)$$

Simple effective Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}} \equiv \sqrt{p_{r_*}^2 + A \left(1 + \frac{p_\varphi^2}{r^2} + z_3 \frac{p_{r_*}^4}{r^2} \right)}.$$

$$p_{r_*} = \left(\frac{A}{B} \right)^{1/2} p_r$$

crucial EOB “radial potential” $A(r)$

2-body Taylor-expanded 3PN Hamiltonian [JS98, DJS00,01]

$$H_N(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = \sum_a \frac{\mathbf{p}_a^2}{2m_a} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_a \sum_{b \neq a} \frac{G m_a m_b}{r_{ab}}.$$

$$H_{1PN}(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = -\frac{1}{8} \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^2}{m_1^3} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \left[-12 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^2} + 14 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} + 2 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right] + \frac{1}{4} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{r_{12}} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2),$$

$$H_{2PN}(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = \frac{1}{16} \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^3}{m_1^5} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \left[5 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^2}{m_1^4} - \frac{11}{2} \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} - \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} + 5 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. - 6 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^2 m_2^2} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right] \\ + \frac{1}{4} \frac{G^2 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^2} \left[m_2 \left(10 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^2} + 19 \frac{\mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_2^2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2) \frac{27 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) + 6 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right] \\ - \frac{1}{8} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \frac{G^2 (m_1^2 + 5 m_1 m_2 + m_2^2)}{r_{12}^2} + (1 \leftrightarrow 2).$$

1PN

2PN

$$H_{3PN}^{\text{reg}}(\mathbf{x}_a, \mathbf{p}_a) = -\frac{5}{128} \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^4}{m_1^7} + \frac{1}{32} \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r_{12}} \left[-14 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^3}{m_1^6} + 4 \frac{((\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2 + 4 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2) \mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^4 m_2^2} + \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2 - 2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2) (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2^3} \right. \\ \left. - 10 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2 + \mathbf{p}_2^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2) \mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^4 m_2^3} + 24 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^4 m_2^3} + 2 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^3 m_2^3} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{(7 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2 - 10 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2^3} + 6 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^4 m_2^3} \right. \\ \left. + 15 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^3 m_2^3} - 18 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^3}{m_1^3 m_2^3} + 5 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^3 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^3}{m_1^3 m_2^3} \right] \\ + \frac{G^2 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^2} \left[\frac{1}{16} (m_1 - 27 m_2) \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1^2)^2}{m_1^4} - \frac{115}{16} m_1 \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2} + \frac{1}{48} m_2 \frac{25 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2 + 371 \mathbf{p}_1^2 \mathbf{p}_2^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{17 \mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2}{16 m_1^3} - \frac{1}{8} m_1 \frac{(15 \mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) + 11 (\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)}{m_1^2 m_2} + \frac{5 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^4}{12 m_1^3} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{3}{2} m_1 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^3 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^3 m_2} + \frac{125}{12} m_2 \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1^2 m_2^2} + \frac{10}{3} m_2 \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^2 m_2^2} \right. \\ \left. - \frac{1}{48} (220 m_1 + 193 m_2) \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2 (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)^2}{m_1^3 m_2^2} \right] + \frac{G^3 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^3} \left[-\frac{1}{48} \left(466 m_1^2 + \left(473 - \frac{3}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 + 150 m_2^2 \right) \frac{\mathbf{p}_1^2}{m_1^3} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{16} \left(77 (m_1^2 + m_2^2) + \left(143 - \frac{1}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 \right) \frac{(\mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} + \frac{1}{16} \left(61 m_1^2 - \left(43 + \frac{3}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 \right) \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1)^2}{m_1^2} \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{16} \left(21 (m_1^2 + m_2^2) + \left(119 + \frac{3}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 m_2 \right) \frac{(\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_1) (\mathbf{n}_{12} \cdot \mathbf{p}_2)}{m_1 m_2} \right] \\ + \frac{1}{8} \frac{G^4 m_1 m_2^3}{r_{12}^4} \left[\left(\frac{227}{3} - \frac{21}{4} \pi^2 \right) m_1 + m_2 \right] + (1 \leftrightarrow 2). \quad (12)$$

3PN

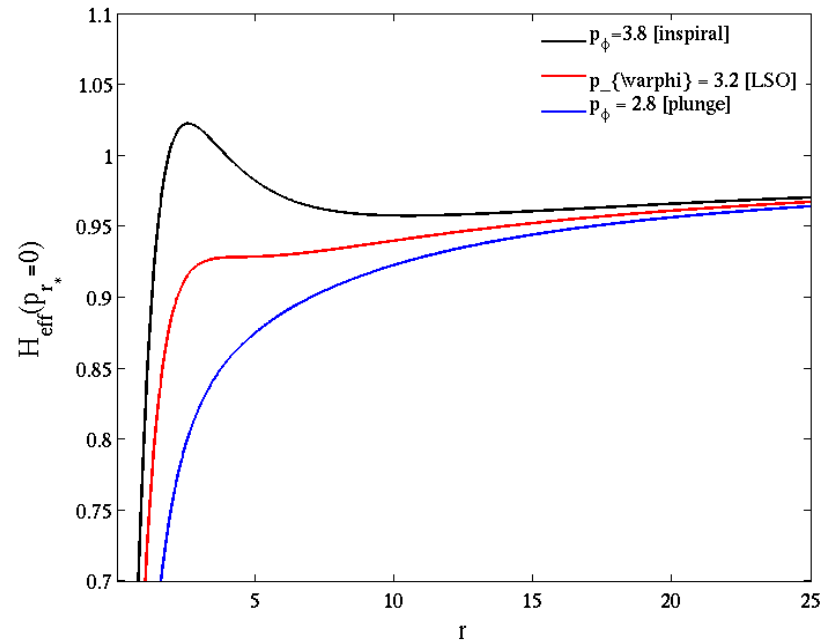
Hamilton's equation + radiation reaction

$$\frac{dr}{dt} = \left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^{1/2} \frac{\partial \hat{H}_{\text{EOB}}}{\partial p_{r_*}},$$

$$\frac{dp_{r_*}}{dt} = -\left(\frac{A}{B}\right)^{1/2} \frac{\partial \hat{H}_{\text{EOB}}}{\partial r},$$

$$\Omega \equiv \frac{d\varphi}{dt} = \frac{\partial \hat{H}_{\text{EOB}}}{\partial p_\varphi},$$

$$\frac{dp_\varphi}{dt} = \hat{\mathcal{F}}_\varphi.$$



The system must lose mechanical angular momentum

Use PN-expanded result for **GW angular momentum flux** as a starting point.
Needs resummation to have a better behavior during late-inspiral and plunge.

PN calculations are done in the circular approximation

$$\hat{\mathcal{F}}_\varphi^{\text{Taylor}} = -\frac{32}{5} \nu \Omega^5 r_\omega^4 \hat{F}^{\text{Taylor}}(v_\varphi)$$



Parameter-dependent

EOB 1.* [DIS 1998, DN07]

Parameter-free:

EOB 2.0 [DIN 2008, DN09]

EOB 2.0: new resummation procedures (DN07, DIN 2008)

- Resummation of the waveform **multipole by multipole**
- Factorized** waveform for any (l,m) at the highest available PN order (start from PN results of Blanchet et al.)

$$h_{lm} = h_{lm}^{(N)} \hat{h}_{lm}^{(\epsilon)} f_{lm}^{\text{NQC}}$$

Next-to-Quasi-Circular correction

Newtonian x PN-correction

$$\hat{h}_{lm}^{(\epsilon)} = \hat{S}_{\text{eff}}^{(\epsilon)} T_{lm} e^{i\delta_{lm}} \rho_{lm}^{\ell}$$

remnant phase correction

remnant modulus correction:

- l-th power of the (expanded) l-th root of f_{lm}
- improves the behavior of PN corrections

The "Tail factor"

$$T_{lm} = \frac{\Gamma(\ell + 1 - 2i\hat{k})}{\Gamma(\ell + 1)} e^{\pi\hat{k}} e^{2i\hat{k} \log(2kr_0)}$$

Effective source:
EOB (effective) energy (even-parity)
Angular momentum (odd-parity)

resums an infinite number of leading logarithms in tail effects

Radiation reaction: parameter-free resummation

$$\mathcal{F}_\varphi \equiv -\frac{1}{8\pi\Omega} \sum_{\ell=2}^{\ell_{\max}} \sum_{m=1}^{\ell} (m\Omega)^2 |R h_{\ell m}^{(\epsilon)}|^2$$

$$h_{\ell m} = h_{\ell m}^{(N)} \hat{h}_{\ell m}^{(\epsilon)} f_{\ell m}^{\text{NQC}}$$

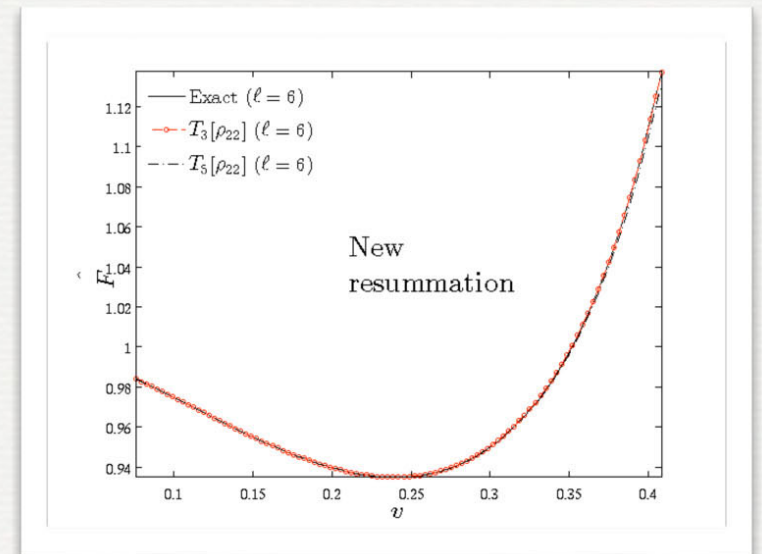
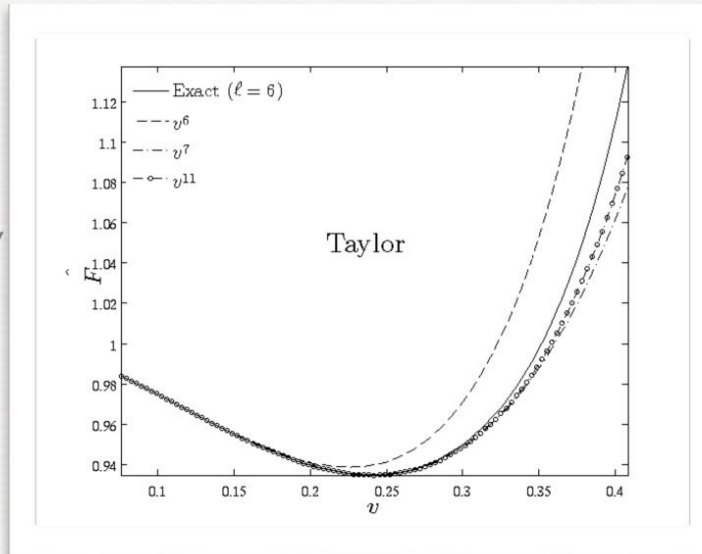
$$\hat{h}_{\ell m}^{(\epsilon)} = \hat{S}_{\text{eff}}^{(\epsilon)} T_{\ell m} e^{i\delta_{\ell m}} \rho_{\ell m}^{\ell}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_{22}(x; \nu) = & 1 + \left(\frac{55\nu}{84} - \frac{43}{42} \right) x + \left(\frac{19583\nu^2}{42336} - \frac{33025\nu}{21168} - \frac{20555}{10584} \right) x^2 \\ & + \left(\frac{10620745\nu^3}{39118464} - \frac{6292061\nu^2}{3259872} + \frac{41\pi^2\nu}{192} - \frac{48993925\nu}{9779616} - \frac{428}{105} \text{eulerlog}_2(x) + \frac{1556919113}{122245200} \right) x^3 \\ & + \left(\frac{9202}{2205} \text{eulerlog}_2(x) - \frac{387216563023}{160190110080} \right) x^4 + \left(\frac{439877}{55566} \text{eulerlog}_2(x) - \frac{16094530514677}{533967033600} \right) x^5 + \mathcal{O}(x^6), \end{aligned}$$

- Different possible representations of the residual amplitude correction [Padé]

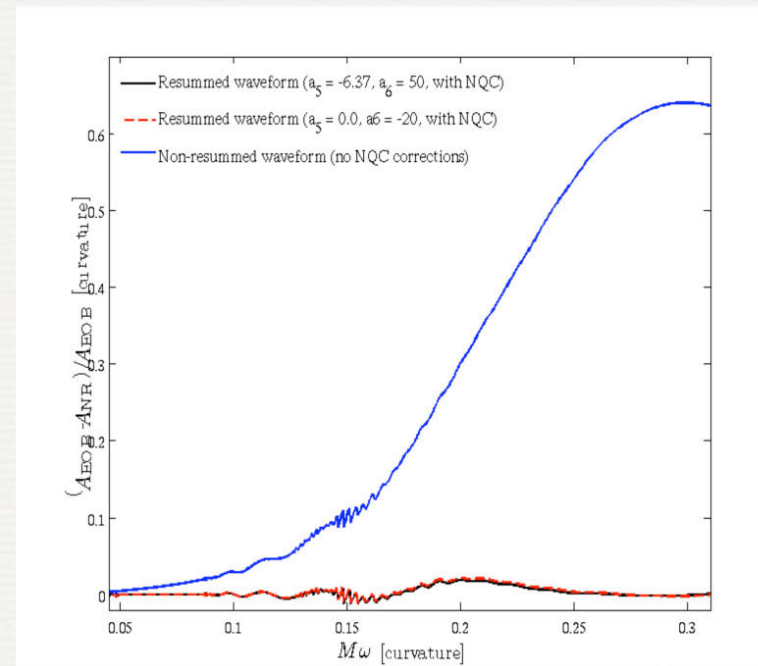
Test-mass

(Comparing fluxes,
circular orbits)



Equal-mass

(Comparing non-resummed &
EOB-resummed *amplitudes* to
Caltech-Cornell BBH data)



Extending EOB beyond current analytical knowledge

Introducing (a_5, a_6) parametrizing 4-loop and 5-loop effects

$$A(u; a_5, a_6, \nu) \equiv P_5^1 [A^{3\text{PN}}(u) + \nu a_5 u^5 + \nu a_6 u^6]$$

Introducing next-to-quasi-circular corrections to the quadrupolar GW amplitude

$$f_{22}^{\text{NQC}}(a_1, a_2) = 1 + a_1 p_{r_*}^2 / (r\Omega)^2 + a_2 \ddot{r} / r \Omega^2$$

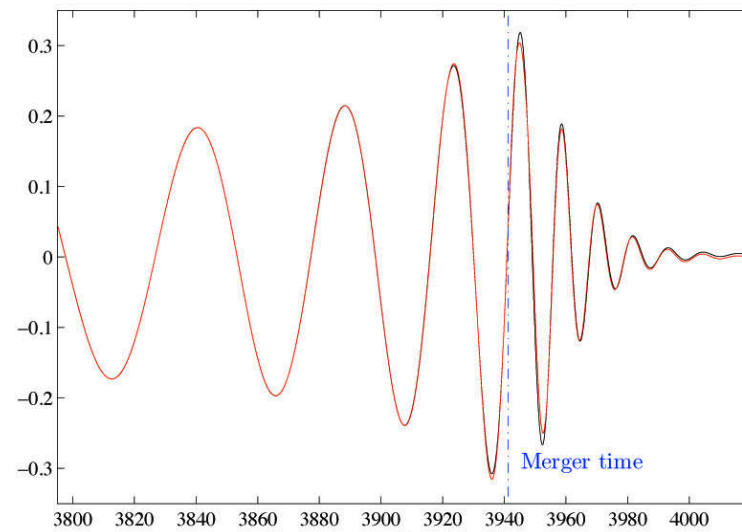
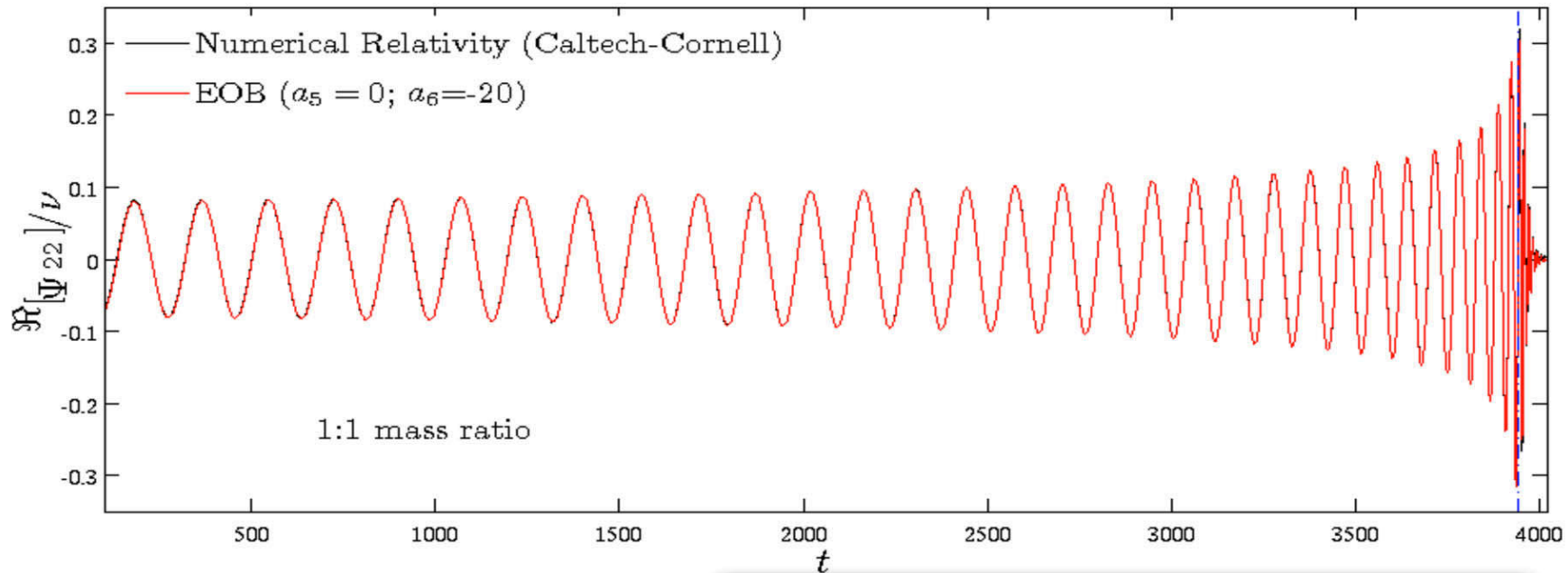
Use Caltech-Cornell [inspiral-plunge] NR data to constrain (a_5, a_6)

A wide region of correlated values (a_5, a_6) exists where the phase difference can be reduced at the level of the numerical error (<0.02 radians) during the inspiral

EOB-NR: NONSPINNING BINARIES

Need calibration of high-order PN effects with NR data: q=1,2&4 TD&AN, et al. (2009)

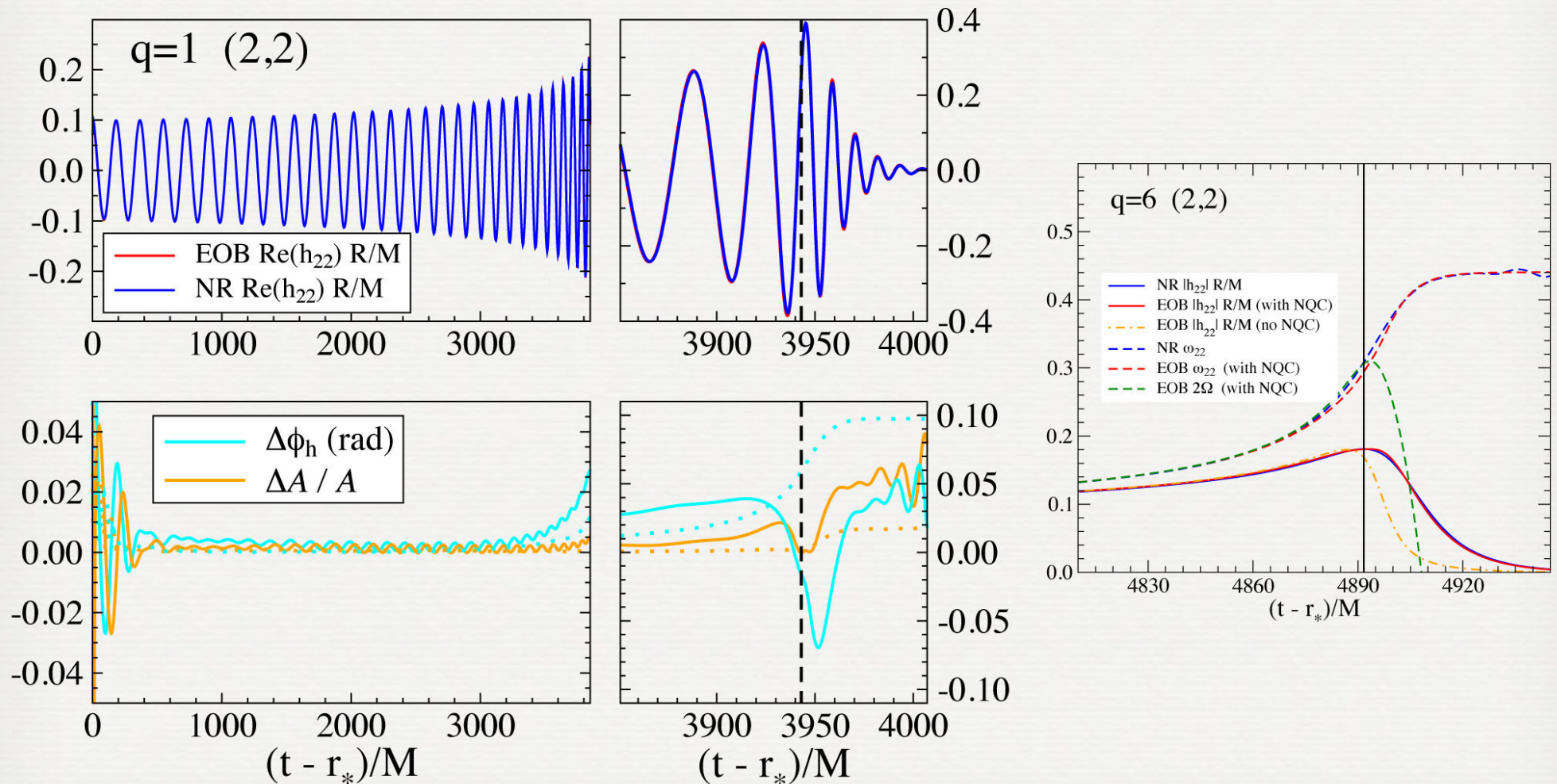
$$A(u, a_5, a_6; \nu) = P_5^1 [A^{3\text{PN}}(u; \nu) + \nu a_5 u^5 + \nu a_6 u^6]$$



EOB-NR: NONSPINNING BINARIES

$$A(u, a_5, a_6; \nu) = P_5^1 [A^{3\text{PN}}(u; \nu) + \nu a_5 u^5 + \nu a_6 u^6]$$

$q=1,2,3,4$ and 6
(Buonanno, Pan et al. 2011)



RECENT THEORETICAL DEVELOPMENTS: LOGS

Recently computed 4PN and 5PN terms in the $A(u)$ function:

(Damour 2010, Blanchet et al. 2010, Akcay, Barack, Damour & Sago 2012, Barausse, Buonanno & Le Tiec 2012, Jaranowski & Schaefer 2013, Bini & Damour 2013)

$$A^{\text{Taylor}}(u) = 1 - 2u + 2\nu u^3 + \left(\frac{94}{3} - \frac{41}{32}\pi^2 \right) \nu u^4 + \nu [a_5^c(\nu) + a_5^{\text{ln}}(\nu) \ln u] u^5 + \nu [a_6^c(\nu) + a_6^{\text{ln}}(\nu) \ln u] u^6$$

$$a_5^{\text{ln}}(\nu) = \frac{64}{5}$$

$$a_6^{\text{ln}}(\nu) = -\frac{7004}{105} - \frac{144}{5}\nu$$

$$a_5^c(\nu) = -\frac{4237}{60} + \frac{2275}{512}\pi^2 + \frac{256}{5} \ln 2 + \frac{128}{5}\gamma + \left(-\frac{221}{6} + \frac{41}{32}\pi^2 \right) \nu$$

The **5PN nonlogarithmic terms** are analytically unknown.

Used as “effective” parameters to be determined / constrained using NR waveform data

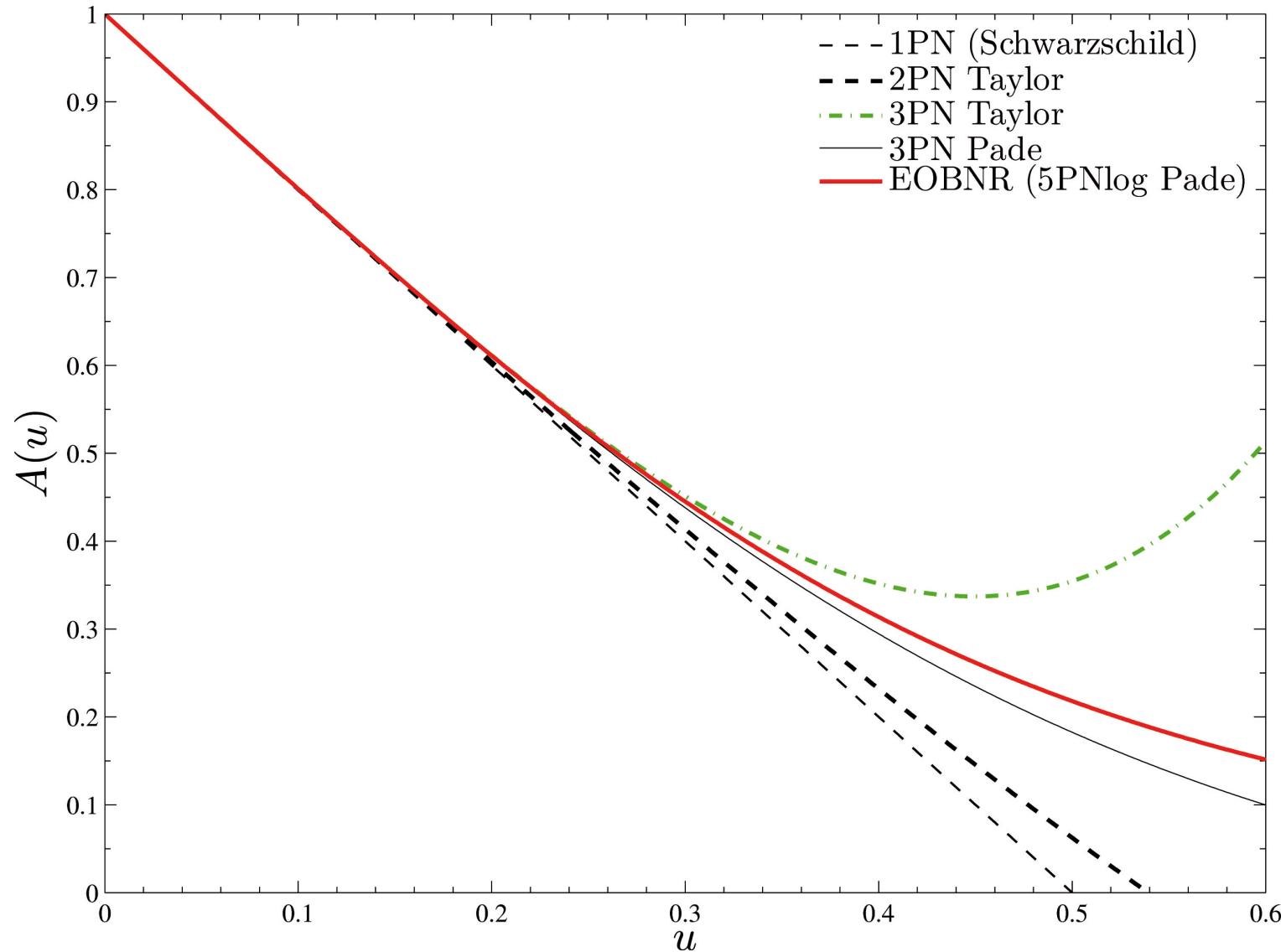
The current EOB potential (with logs):

$$A(u; \nu; a_5^c, a_6^c) = P_5^1[A^{\text{Taylor}}(u)]$$

Main EOB radial potential $A(u, v)$

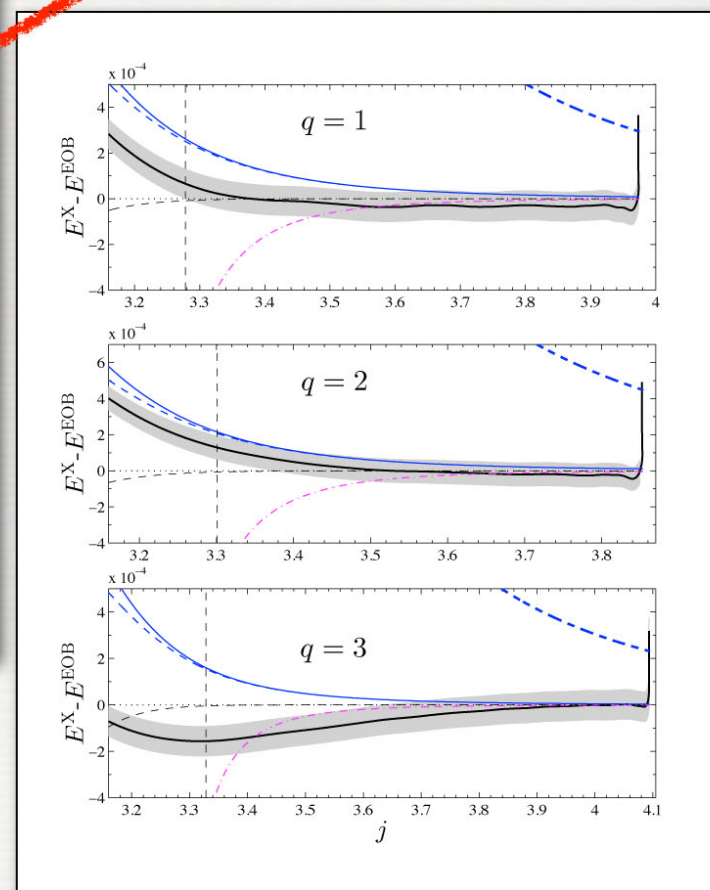
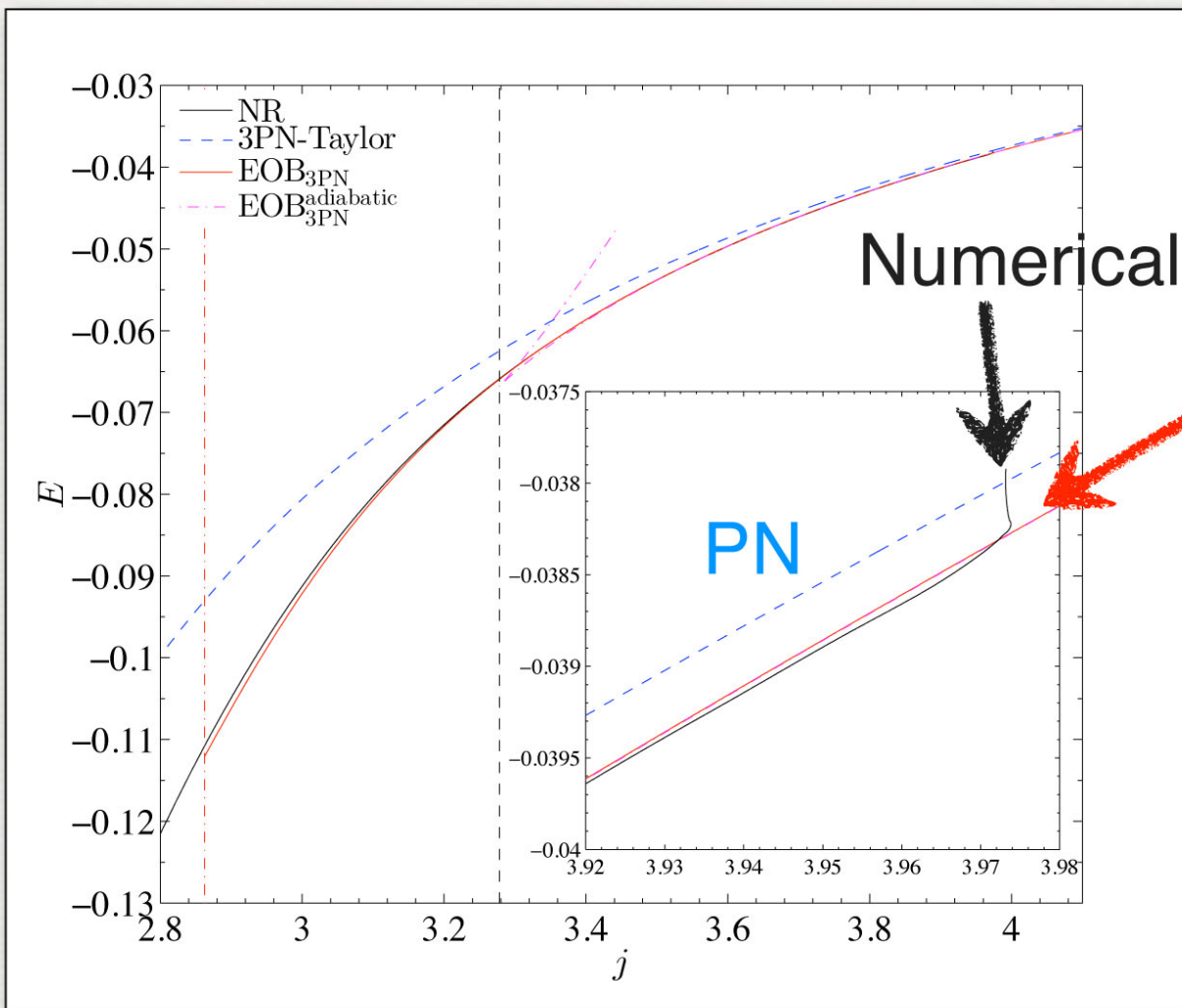
Equal-mass case : $v = 1/4$; $u = GM/c^2R$

v -deformation of Schwarzschild $A_S(u) = 1 - 2M/R = 1 - 2u$



ENERGY AND ANGULAR MOMENTUM IN NONSPINNING BLACK-HOLE BINARIES: E(J)

Damour, Nagar, Pollney, Reisswig 2012



$$j = |j_0^{\text{ADM}} - \Delta j_{\text{GWs}}|$$

$$E = E_0^{\text{ADM}} - \Delta E_{\text{GWs}}$$

$\rho(x)$ and periastron advance in (comparable-mass) Black Hole binaries (Le Tiec et al. 2011)

$$K(x) = \Omega_\phi / \Omega_r; \quad x = (M \Omega_\phi)^{2/3}$$

$$K_{\text{EOB}} = \sqrt{\frac{A'_p(u)}{D(u)\Delta(u)}}$$

$$K_{\text{GSF}}^v = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-6x}} \left[1 - \frac{v}{2} \frac{\rho(x)}{1-6x} + \mathcal{O}(v^2) \right],$$

where $A'_p = dA_p/du$, and $\Delta = A_p A'_p + 2u(A'_p)^2 - u A_p A''_p$

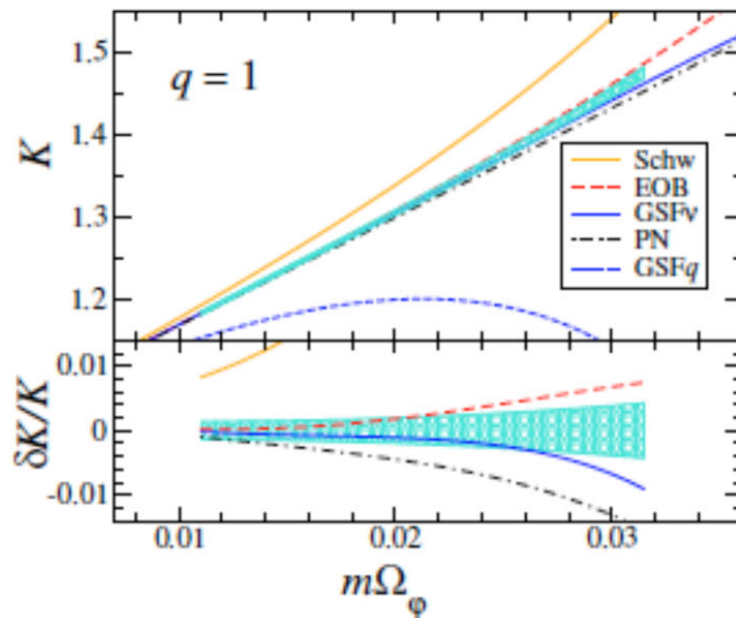


FIG. 1: The periastron advance K of an equal mass black hole binary, in the limit of zero eccentricity, as a function of the orbital frequency Ω_ϕ of the circular motion. The NR results are indicated by the cyan-shaded region. The PN and EOB results are valid at 3PN order. The lower panel shows the relative difference $\delta K/K \equiv (K - K_{\text{NR}})/K_{\text{NR}}$.

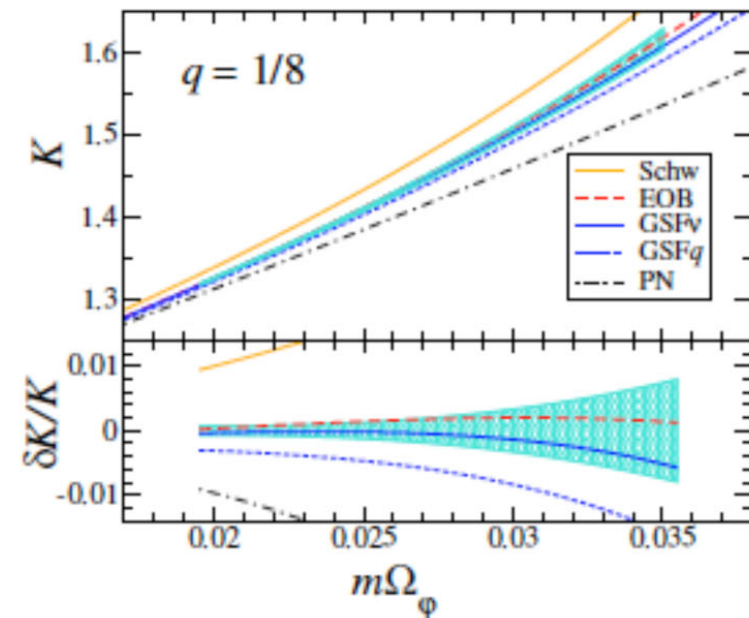


FIG. 2: Same as in Fig. 1, but for a mass ratio $q = 1/8$. Note that for an orbital frequency $m\Omega_\phi \sim 0.03$, corresponding to a separation $r \sim 10m$, the periastron advance reaches half an orbit per radial period.

Since $\rho(x) > 0$ for all stable circular orbits, the $\mathcal{O}(q)$ GSF decreases the rate of precession. Note that the formal divergence

EOB-NR : SPINNING BINARIES

Theory : Damour 01 Damour Jaranowski Schaefer 07; Barausse Buonanno 10; Nagar 11...

Waveform resummation with spin : Pan et al. (2010)

AR/NR comparison : Pan et al. 09, Taracchini et al. 12, Pan et al. 13

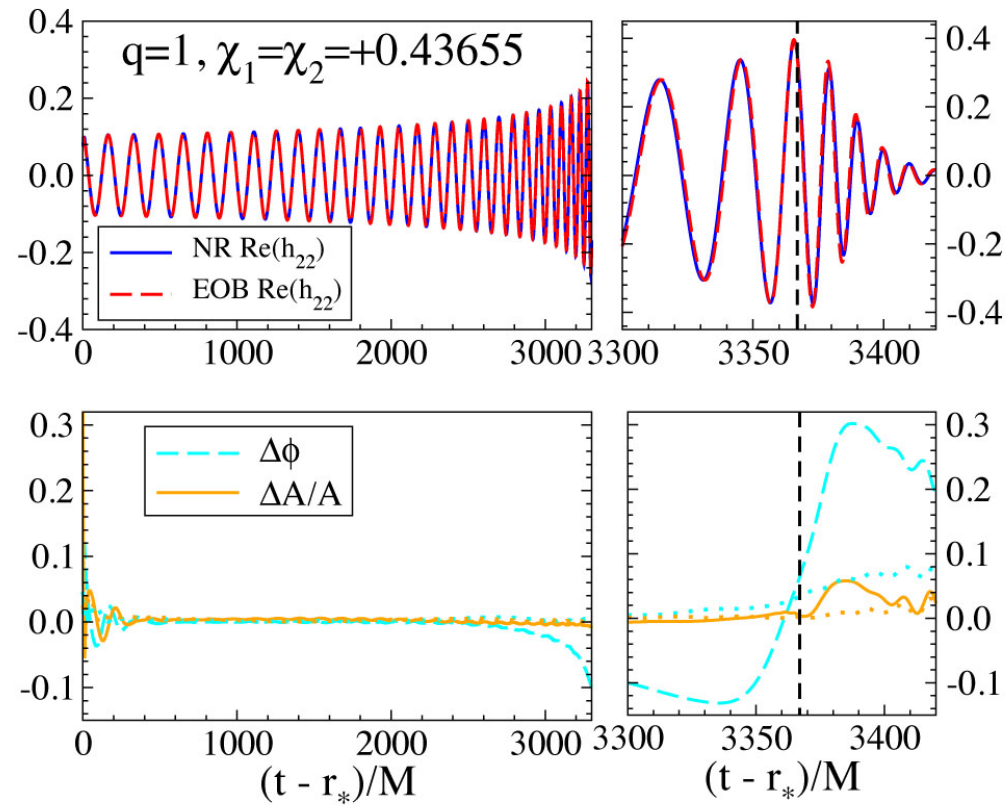
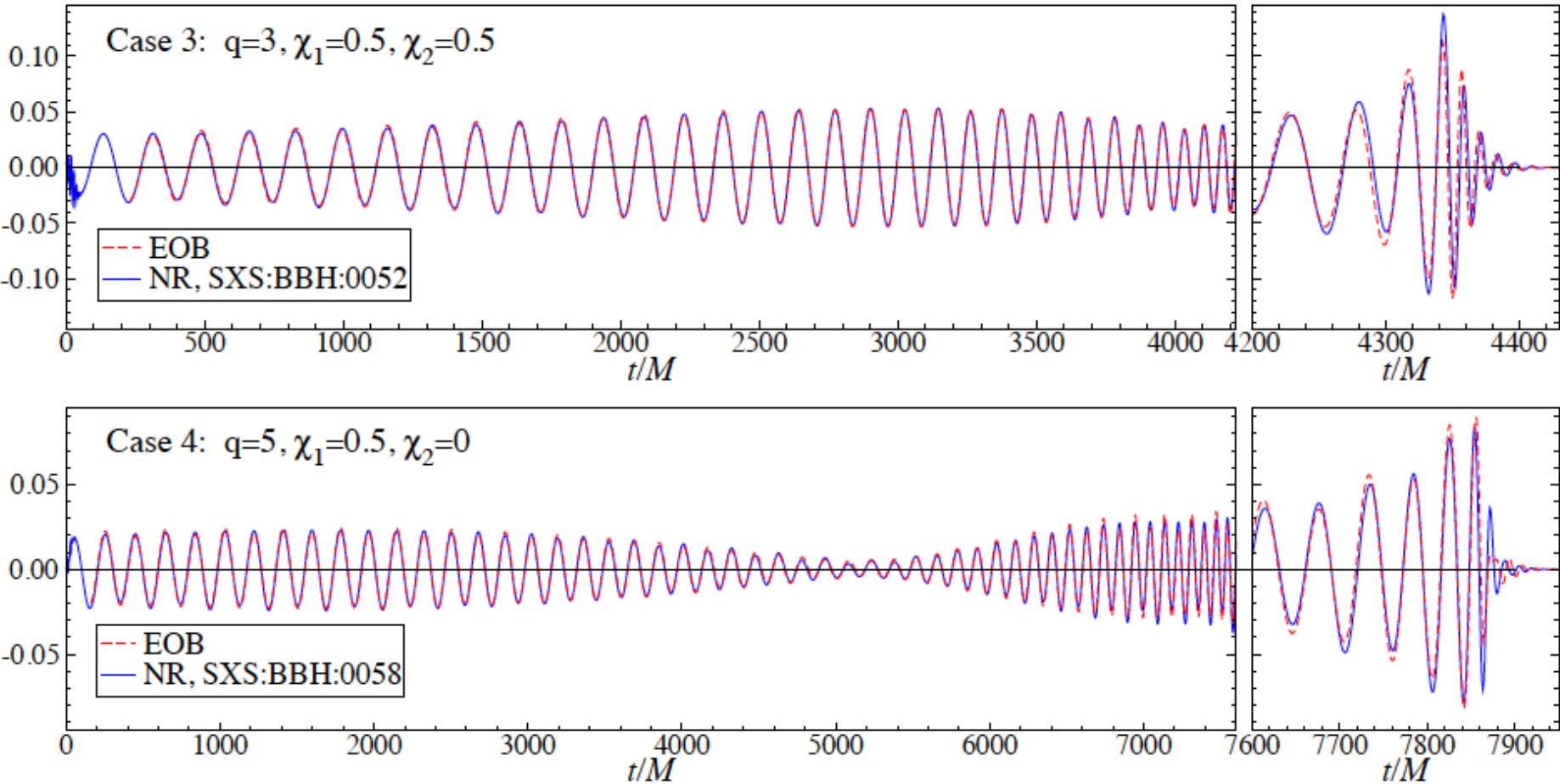


FIG. 6: Same as in Fig. 3 but for $q = 1$, $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = +0.43756$.

EOB-NR : PRECESSING SPINNING BINARIES

Pan et al. 13



A catalog of 171 high-quality binary black-hole simulations for gravitational-wave astronomy [\[arXiv: 1304.6077\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/1304.6077)

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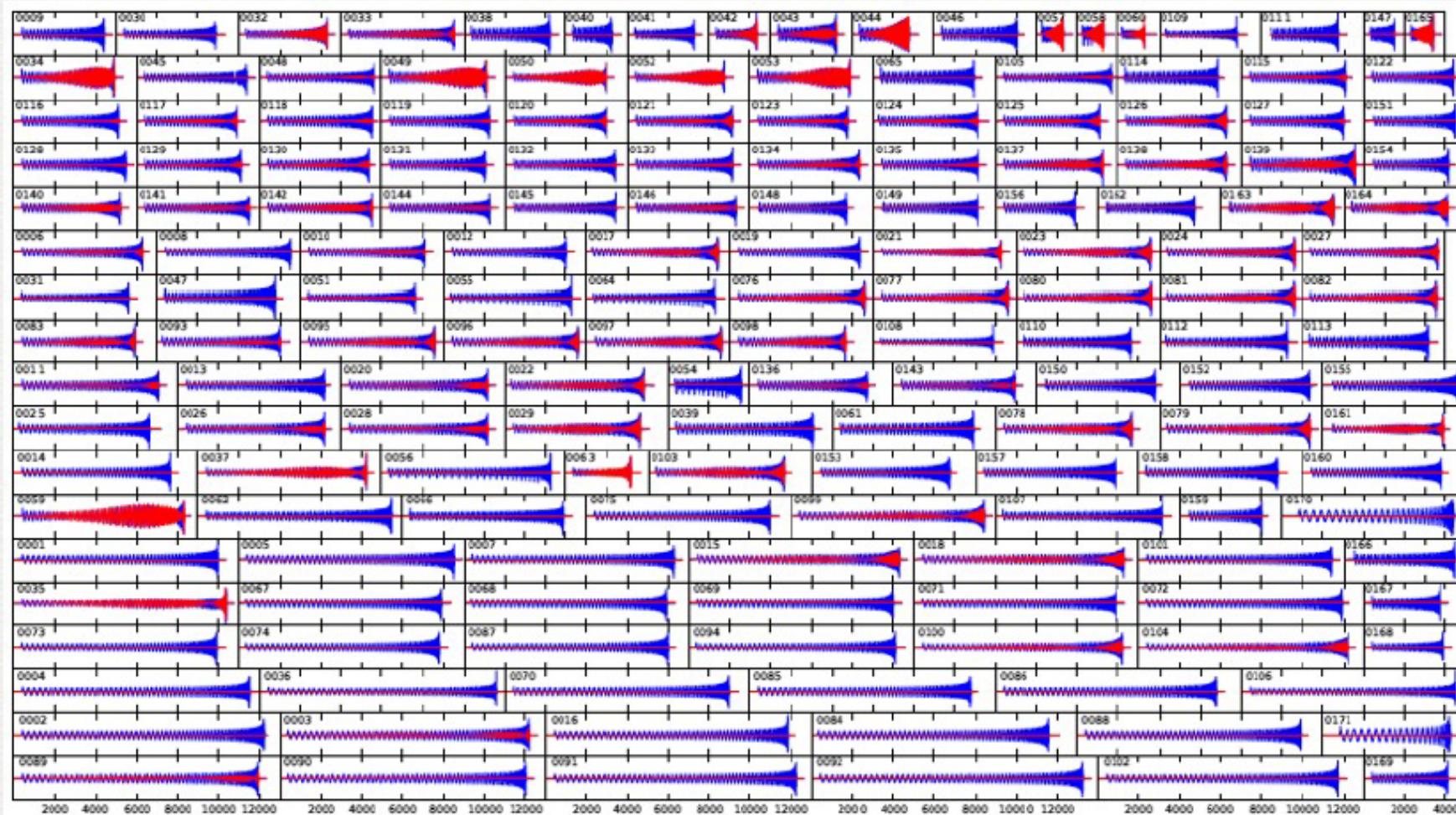


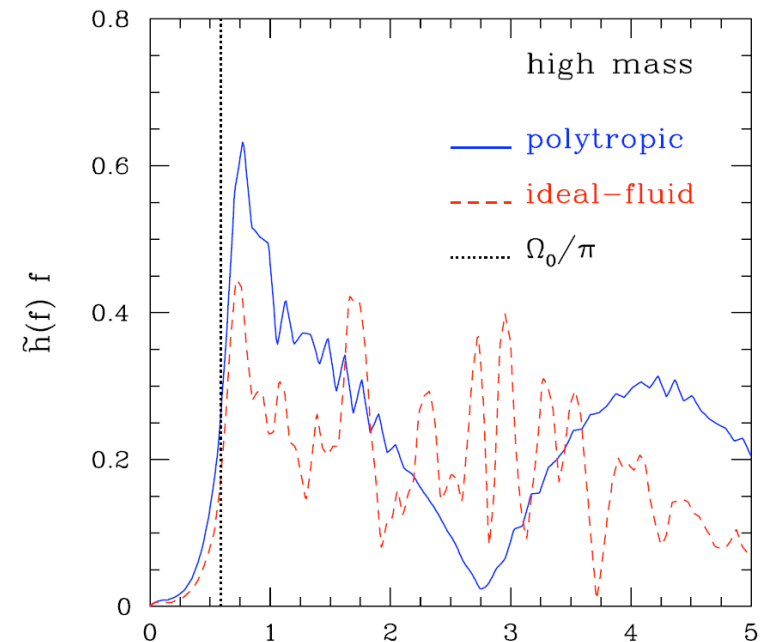
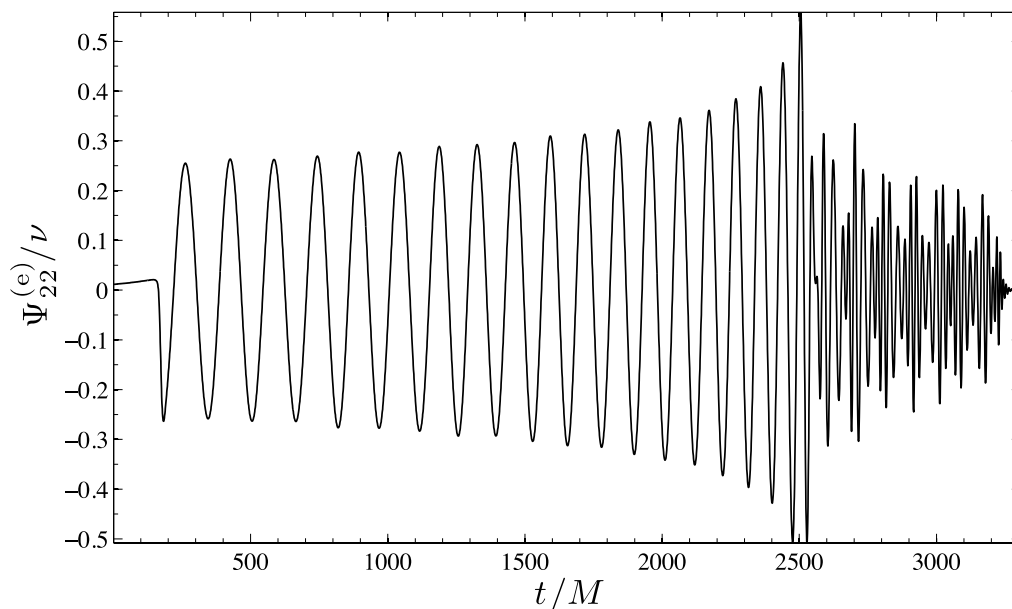
FIG. 3: Waveforms from all simulations in the catalog. Shown here are h_+ (blue) and h_x (red) in a sky direction parallel to the initial orbital plane of each simulation. All plots have the same horizontal scale, with each tick representing a time interval of $2000M$, where M is the total mass.

Late-inspiral and coalescence of binary neutron stars (BNS)

Inspiralling (and merging) Binary Neutron Star (BNS) systems: important and “secure” targets for GW detectors

Recent progress in BNS and BHNS numerical relativity simulations of merger by several groups [Shibata et al., Baiotti et al., Etienne et al., Duez et al., Bernuzzi et al. 12, Hotokezaka et al. 13] See review of J. Faber, *Class. Q. Grav.* 26 (2009) 114004
Most sensitive band of GW detectors

Need analytical (NR-completed) modelling of the late-inspiral part of the signal before merger [Flanagan&Hinderer 08, Hinderer et al 09, Damour&Nagar 09,10, Binnington&Poisson 09]
Extract EOS information using late-inspiral (& plunge) waveforms, which are sensitive to tidal interaction. Signal within the



From Baiotti, Giacomazzo & Rezzolla, *Phys. Rev. D* 78, 084033 (2008)

Binary neutron stars: Tidal effects in EOB

- tidal extension of EOB formalism : **non minimal worldline couplings**

$$\Delta S_{\text{nonminimal}} = \sum_A \frac{1}{4} \mu_2^A \int ds_A (u^\mu u^\nu R_{\mu\alpha\nu\beta})^2 + \dots$$

Damour, Esposito-Farèse 96, Goldberger, Rothstein 06, Damour, Nagar 09

modification of EOB effective metric + ... :

$$\begin{aligned} A(r) &= A^0(r) + A^{\text{tidal}}(r) \\ A^{\text{tidal}}(r) &= -\kappa_2 u^6 (1 + \bar{\alpha}_1 u + \bar{\alpha}_2 u^2 + \dots) + \dots \end{aligned}$$

plus tidal modifications of GW waveform & radiation reaction

- Need analytical theory for computing μ_2 , κ_2 as well as $\bar{\alpha}_1, \dots$

[Flanagan&Hinderer 08, Hinderer et al 09, Damour&Nagar 09,10, Binington&Poisson 09, Damour&Esposito-Farèse10]

- Tidal polarizability parameters are measurable in late signals of Advanced-Ligo

[Damour, Nagar and Villain 12, Del Pozzo et al. 13]

Conclusions

- **Experimentally**, gravitational wave astronomy is about to start. The ground-based network of detectors (LIGO/Virgo/GEO/...) is being updated (ten-fold gain in sensitivity in 2015), and extended (KAGRA, LIGO-India).
- **Numerical relativity** : Recent breakthroughs (based on a “cocktail” of ingredients : new formulations, constraint damping, punctures, ...) allow one to have an accurate knowledge of **nonperturbative** aspects of the two-body problem (both BBH, BNS and BHNS)
- **The Effective One-Body** (EOB) method offers a way to upgrade the results of traditional analytical approximation methods (PN and BH perturbation theory) by using new resummation techniques and new ways of combining approximation methods. EOB allows one to analytically describe the FULL coalescence of BBH.
- There exists a **complementarity** between Numerical Relativity and **Analytical Relativity**, especially when using the particular **resummation** of perturbative results defined by the **Effective One Body** formalism. The **NR-tuned EOB** formalism is likely to be essential for computing the many thousands of accurate GW templates needed for LIGO/Virgo/...