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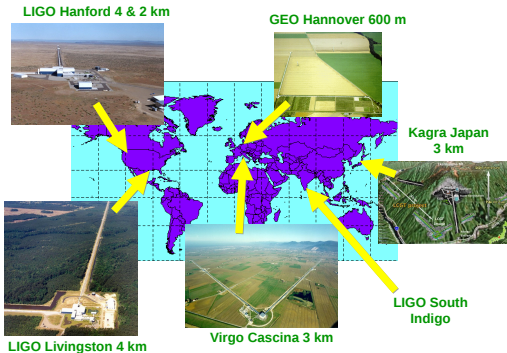
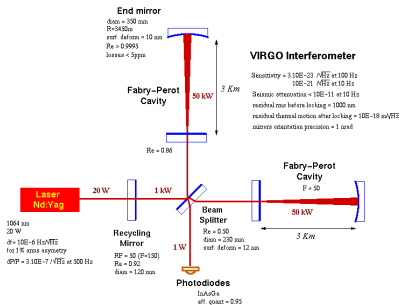
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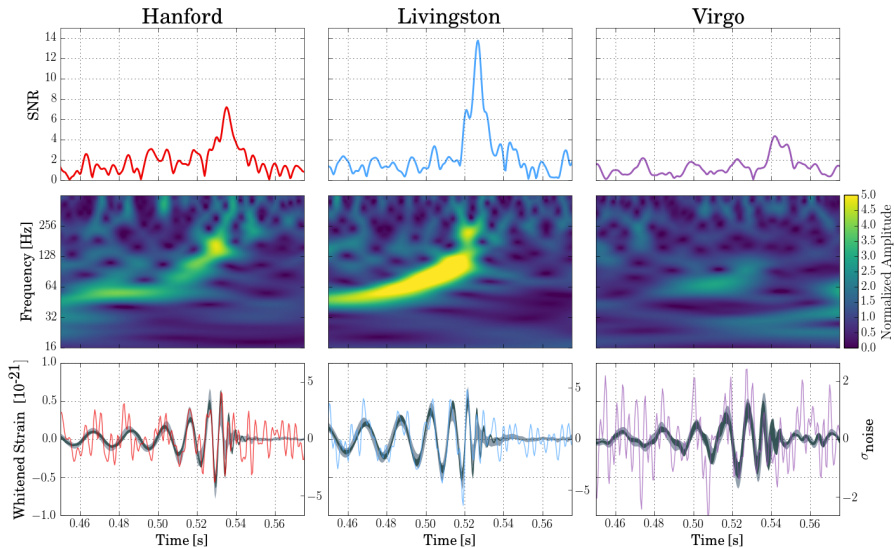
# World-wide network of gravitational wave detectors



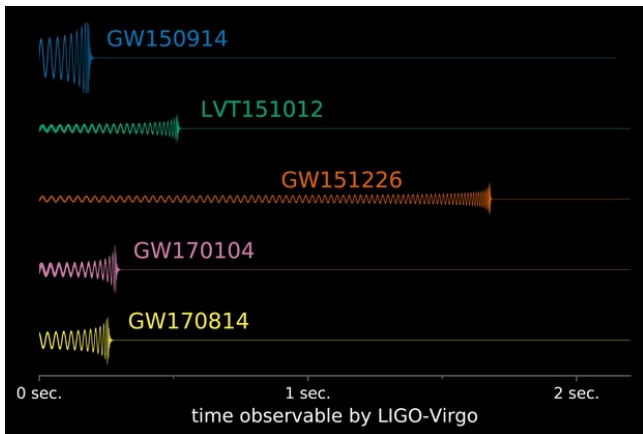
[Rainer Weiss, Barry Barish & Kip Thorne, Nobel prize 2017]



# Binary black-hole event GW170814 [LIGO/Virgo collaboration 2017]

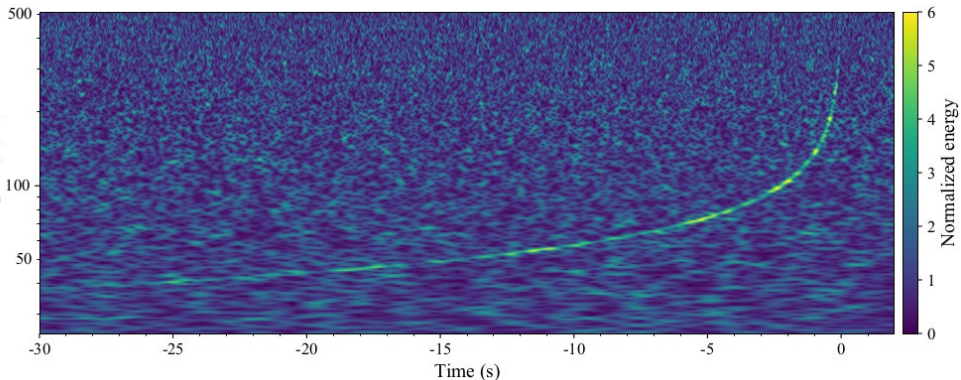


# Binary black-hole events [LIGO/Virgo collaboration 2016, 2017]



- For BH binaries the detectors are mostly sensitive to the merger phase and a few cycles are observed before coalescence
- For NS binaries the detectors will be sensitive to the inspiral phase prior the merger and thousands of cycles are observable

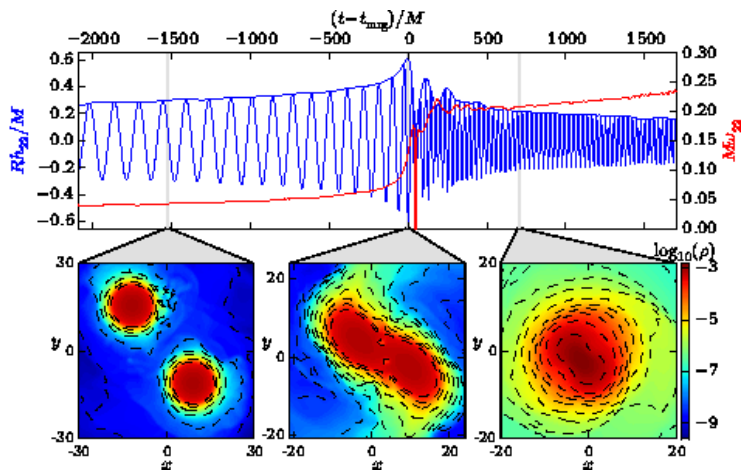
# Binary neutron star event GW170817 [LIGO/Virgo 2017]



- The signal is observed during  $\sim 100$  s and  $\sim 3000$  cycles and is the loudest gravitational-wave signal yet observed with a **combined SNR of 32.4**
- The chirp mass is accurately measured to  $\mathcal{M} = \mu^{3/5} M^{2/5} = 1.98 M_{\odot}$
- The advent of **multi-messenger Astronomy** with the concomitant discovery of a **short gamma ray burst** and an **optical kilonova**

# Post-merger waveform of neutron star binaries

[Shibata *et al.*, Rezzolla *et al.* 1990-2010s]



# 100 years of gravitational radiation [Einstein 1916]

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## Näherungsweise Integration der Feldgleichungen der Gravitation.

VON A. EINSTEIN.



Bei der Behandlung der meisten speziellen (nicht prinzipiellen) Probleme auf dem Gebiete der Gravitationstheorie kann man sich damit begnügen, die  $g_{\mu\nu}$  in erster Näherung zu berechnen. Dabei bedient man sich mit Vorteil der imaginären Zeitvariable  $x_4 = it$  aus denselben Gründen wie in der speziellen Relativitätstheorie. Unter »erster Näherung« ist dabei verstanden, daß die durch die Gleichung

$$g_{\mu\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu} + \gamma_{\mu\nu} \quad (1)$$

definierten Größen  $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$ , welche linearen orthogonalen Transformationen gegenüber Tensorearakter besitzen, gegen 1 als kleine Größen behandelt werden können, deren Quadrate und Produkte gegen die ersten Potenzen vernachlässigt werden dürfen. Dabei ist  $\delta_{\mu\mu} = 1$  bzw.  $\delta_{\mu\nu} = 0$ , je nachdem  $\mu = \nu$  oder  $\mu \neq \nu$ .

Wir werden zeigen, daß diese  $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$  in analoger Weise berechnet werden können wie die retardierten Potentiale der Elektrodynamik.

← small perturbation of Minkowski's metric

# GW solutions in metric theories of gravity

- 1 Small perturbation of the metric around flat space-time

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad \text{with} \quad |h_{\mu\nu}| \ll 1$$

- 2 Restrict attention to theories admitting GW solutions propagating at the speed of light:  $c_g = 1$ . Far from the sources the waves are planar, hence

$$\square h_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \iff \quad h_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu}(t - z)$$

- 3 From the linearized Bianchi's identity obtain

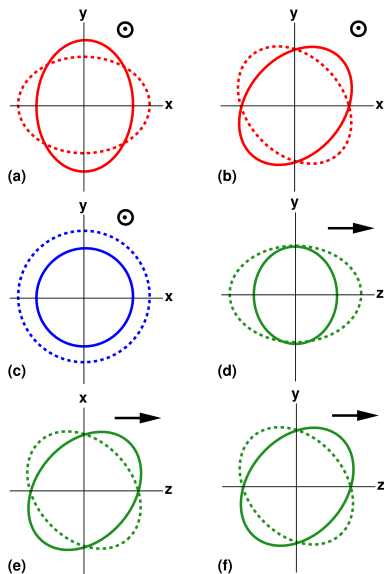
$$\boxed{\square R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = 0 \quad \iff \quad R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}(t - z)}$$

showing that GWs have an **invariant, coordinate-independent meaning**

- 4 The six components  $R_{0i0j}$  (where  $i, j = x, y, z$ ) represent **six independent components** (polarization modes)
- 5 In GR  $R_{\mu\nu} = 0$  hence there are only **two independent polarization modes**

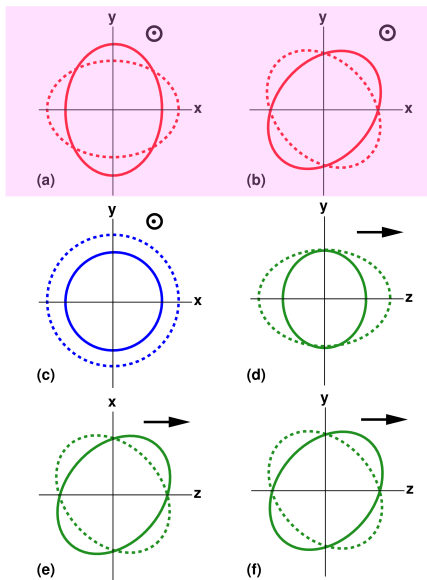


# GW polarization modes in metric theories of gravity



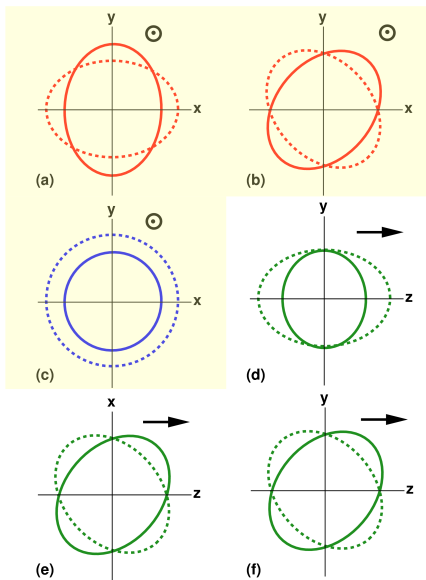
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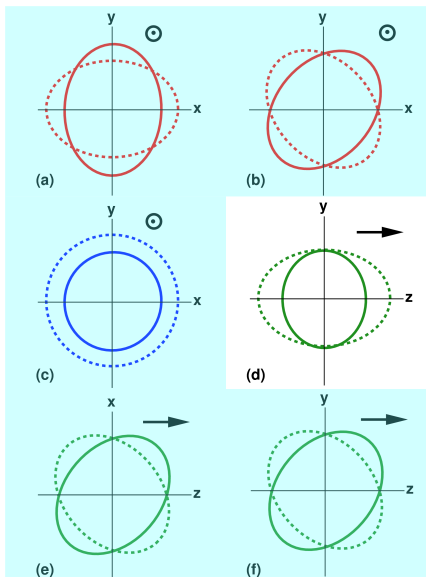
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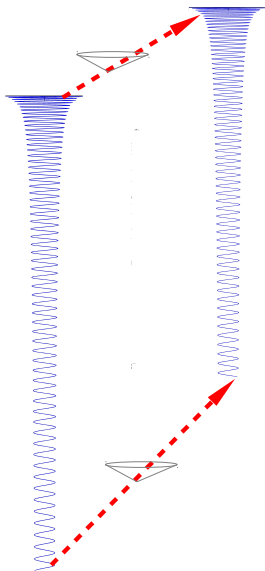
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# Bounding the mass of the graviton [Will 1998]



- ① Dispersion relation for a massive graviton

$$\frac{v_g^2}{c^2} = 1 - \frac{m_g^2 c^4}{E_g^2}$$

- ② The frequency of GW sweeps from low to high frequency during the inspiral and the speed of GW varies from lower to higher (close to  $c$ ) speed at the end
- ③ The constraint is [LIGO/Virgo collaboration 2016]

$$m_g \lesssim 10^{-22} \text{ eV}$$

# Dark energy after GW170817 [Bettoni et al. 2017; Creminelli & Vernizzi 2017]

- ① The observed time delay between GW170817 and the GRB constrains

$$|c_g - c_{\text{em}}| \lesssim 10^{-15} c$$

- ② Consider models of dark energy and modified gravity characterized by a single scalar degree of freedom (Horndeski theory)

$$\begin{aligned} L = & G_2(\phi, X) + G_3(\phi, X)\square\phi + G_4(\phi, X)R \\ & - 2G_{4,X}(\phi, X) (\square\phi^2 - \phi^{\mu\nu}\phi_{\mu\nu}) + G_5(\phi, X)E^{\mu\nu}\phi_{\mu\nu} \\ & + \frac{1}{3}G_{5,X}(\phi, X) (\square\phi^3 - 3\square\phi\phi^{\mu\nu}\phi_{\mu\nu} + 2\phi^{\mu\nu}\phi_{\mu\rho}\phi_{\nu}^{\rho}) \end{aligned}$$

- ③ Imposing the speed of GWs to be one (*i.e.*  $c_g \equiv c_T = 1$ ) drastically reduces the space of allowed theories

$$L_{c_T=1} = G_2(\phi, X) + G_3(\phi, X)\square\phi + B_4(\phi)R$$

where the third term simply recovers the standard conformal coupling

# Quadrupole moment formalism [Einstein 1918; Landau & Lifchitz 1947]

$$4\pi \mathcal{R}^2 \bar{\mathcal{G}} = \frac{\chi}{40\pi} \left[ \sum_{\mu\nu} \ddot{J}_{\mu\nu}^2 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \sum_{\mu} \ddot{J}_{\mu\mu} \right)^2 \right].$$

- ① Einstein quadrupole formula

$$\left( \frac{dE}{dt} \right)^{\text{GW}} = \frac{G}{5c^5} \left\{ \frac{d^3 Q_{ij}}{dt^3} \frac{d^3 Q_{ij}}{dt^3} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right)^2 \right\}$$

- ② Amplitude quadrupole formula

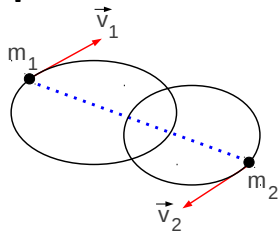
$$h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = \frac{2G}{c^4 D} \left\{ \frac{d^2 Q_{ij}}{dt^2} \left( t - \frac{D}{c} \right) + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right) \right\}^{\text{TT}} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{1}{D^2} \right)$$

- ③ Radiation reaction formula [Chandrasekhar & Esposito 1970; Burke & Thorne 1970]

$$F_i^{\text{reac}} = -\frac{2G}{5c^5} \rho x^j \frac{d^5 Q_{ij}}{dt^5} + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right)^7$$

which is a  $2.5\text{PN} \sim (v/c)^5$  effect in the source's equations of motion

# Application to compact binaries [Peters & Mathews 1963; Peters 1964]



$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a \text{ semi-major axis of relative orbit} \\ e \text{ eccentricity of relative orbit} \\ \omega = \frac{2\pi}{P} \text{ orbital frequency} \end{array} \right.$$

$$M = m_1 + m_2$$

$$\mu = \frac{m_1 m_2}{M}$$

$$\nu = \frac{\mu}{M} \quad 0 < \nu \leq \frac{1}{4}$$

Averaged energy and angular momentum balance equations

$$\left\langle \frac{dE}{dt} \right\rangle = -\langle \mathcal{F}^{\text{GW}} \rangle \quad \left\langle \frac{dJ_i}{dt} \right\rangle = -\langle \mathcal{G}_i^{\text{GW}} \rangle$$

are applied to a Keplerian orbit (using Kepler's law  $GM = \omega^2 a^3$ )

$$\left\langle \frac{dP}{dt} \right\rangle = -\frac{192\pi}{5c^5} \nu \left( \frac{2\pi GM}{P} \right)^{5/3} \frac{1 + \frac{73}{24}e^2 + \frac{37}{96}e^4}{(1-e^2)^{7/2}}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{de}{dt} \right\rangle = -\frac{608\pi}{15c^5} \nu \frac{e}{P} \left( \frac{2\pi GM}{P} \right)^{5/3} \frac{1 + \frac{121}{304}e^2}{(1-e^2)^{5/2}}$$



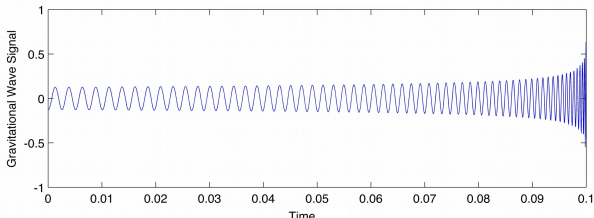
# Orbital phase evolution of compact binaries

[Dyson 1969; Esposito & Harrison 1975; Wagoner 1975]

- 1 Compact binaries are circularized when they enter the detector's bandwidth
- 2 The amplitude and phase evolution follow an adiabatic chirp in time

$$a(t) = \left( \frac{256 G^3 M^3 \nu}{5 c^5} (t_c - t) \right)^{1/4}$$
$$\phi(t) = \phi_c - \frac{1}{32\nu} \left( \frac{256 c^3 \nu}{5 GM} (t_c - t) \right)^{5/8}$$

- 3 The amplitude and orbital frequency diverge at the instant of coalescence  $t_c$  since the approximation breaks down



# Why inspiralling binaries require high PN modelling

[Caltech "3mn paper" 1992; Blanchet & Schäfer 1993]

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## The Last Three Minutes: Issues in Gravitational-Wave Measurements of Coalescing Compact Binaries

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Gravitational-wave interferometers are expected to monitor the last three minutes of inspiral and final coalescence of neutron star and black hole binaries at distances approaching cosmological, where the event rate may be many per year. Because the binary's accumulated orbital phase can be measured to a fractional accuracy  $\ll 10^{-3}$  and relativistic effects are large, the wave forms will be far more complex and carry more information than has been expected. Improved wave form modeling is needed as a foundation for extracting the waves' information, but is not necessary for wave detection.

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A binary’s inspiral and coalescence will produce two gravitational wave forms, one for each polarization. By cross correlating the outputs of three or more interferometers, both wave forms can be monitored and the source’s direction can be determined to within  $\sim 1$  degree [4, 6].

We shall divide each wave form into two parts: the *inspiral wave form*, emitted before tidal distortions become noticeable ( $\lesssim 10$  cycles before complete disruption or merger [7, 8]), and the *coalescence wave form*, emitted during distortion, disruption, and/or merger.

As the binary, driven by gravitational radiation reaction, spirals together, its *inspiral wave form* sweeps upward in frequency  $f$  (it “chirps”). The interferometers will observe the last several thousand cycles of inspiral (from  $f \sim 10$  Hz to  $\sim 1000$  Hz), followed by coalescence.

Theoretical calculations of the wave forms are generally made using the post-Newtonian (PN) approximation to general relativity. Previous calculations have focused

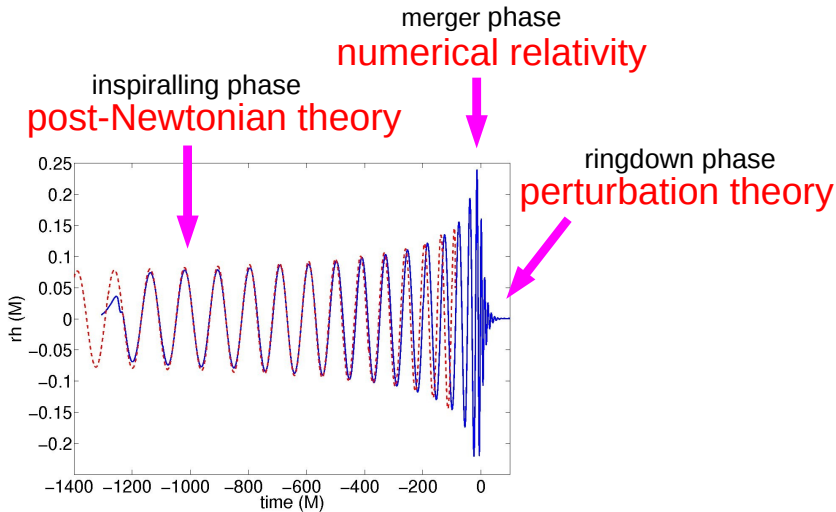
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We shall assume (as almost always is the case) that the binary’s orbit has been circularized by radiation reaction [10]. Then the only parameters  $\lambda_i$  that can significantly influence the inspiral template’s phasing are the bodies’ masses, vectorial spin angular momenta, and spin-induced quadrupole moments (which we shall ignore because, even for huge spins, they produce orbital phase shifts no larger than  $\sim 1$  [8]). More specifically, the number of cycles spent in a logarithmic interval of frequency,  $d\mathcal{N}_{\text{cyc}}/d\ln f = (1/2\pi)(d\Phi/d\ln f)$ , is

$$\frac{d\mathcal{N}_{\text{cyc}}}{d\ln f} = \frac{5}{96\pi} \frac{1}{\mu M^{2/3}(\pi f)^{5/3}} \left\{ 1 + \left( \frac{743}{336} + \frac{11}{4} \frac{\mu}{M} \right) x - [4\pi + \text{S.O.}]x^{1.5} + [\text{S.S.}]x^2 + O(x^{2.5}) \right\}. \quad (1)$$

Here  $M$  is the binary’s total mass,  $\mu$  its reduced mass, and  $x \equiv (\pi M f)^{2/3} \simeq M/D$  the PN expansion parameter (with  $D$  the bodies’ separation and  $c = G = 1$ ). The PN correction [ $O(x)$  term] is from [13]. In the  $\text{P}^{1.5}\text{N}$  correction [ $O(x^{1.5})$  term], the  $4\pi$  is created by the waves’ in-

# The gravitational chirp of compact binaries



# The GW templates of compact binaries

- ① In principle, the templates are obtained by matching together:
  - A **high-order 3.5PN waveform** for the inspiral [Blanchet *et al.* 1998, 2002, 2004]
  - A **highly accurate numerical waveform** for the merger and ringdown [Pretorius 2005; Baker *et al.* 2006; Campanelli *et al.* 2006]
- ② In practice, for **black hole binaries** (such as GW150914), effective methods that interpolate between the PN and NR play a key role in the data analysis
  - **Hybrid inspiral-merger-ringdown (IMR)** waveforms [Ajith *et al.* 2011] are constructed by matching the PN and NR waveforms in a time interval through an intermediate phenomenological phase
  - **Effective-one-body (EOB)** waveforms [Buonanno & Damour 1998] are based on resummation techniques extending the domain of validity of the PN approximation beyond the inspiral phase
- ③ In the case of **neutron star binaries** (such as GW170817), the masses are smaller and the templates are entirely **based on the 3.5PN waveform**

# Einstein field equations as a “Problème bien posé”

- Start with the GR action for the metric  $g_{\mu\nu}$  with the matter term

$$S_{\text{GR}} = \underbrace{\frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R}_{\text{Einstein-Hilbert action}} + \underbrace{S_{\text{m}}[g_{\mu\nu}, \Psi]}_{\text{matter fields}}$$

- Add the harmonic coordinates gauge-fixing term (where  $\mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta} = \sqrt{-g}g^{\alpha\beta}$ )

$$S_{\text{GR}} = \frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \left( \sqrt{-g} R - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \mathfrak{g}_{\alpha\beta} \partial_{\mu} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\mu} \partial_{\nu} \mathfrak{g}^{\beta\nu}}_{\text{gauge-fixing term}} \right) + S_{\text{m}}$$

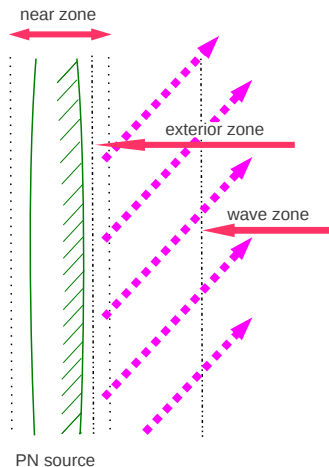
- Obtain a **well-posed** system of equations [Choquet-Bruhat 1952]

$$\mathfrak{g}^{\mu\nu} \partial_{\mu\nu}^2 \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{16\pi G}{c^4} |g| T^{\alpha\beta} + \overbrace{\Sigma^{\alpha\beta}[\mathfrak{g}, \partial\mathfrak{g}]}^{\text{non-linear source term}}$$

$$\underbrace{\partial_{\mu} \mathfrak{g}^{\alpha\mu}}_{\text{harmonic-gauge condition}} = 0$$

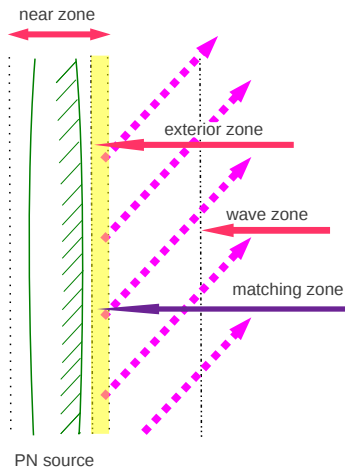
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$$\underbrace{\overline{\mathcal{M}(h^{\alpha\beta})} = \mathcal{M}(\bar{h}^{\alpha\beta})}_{\text{matching equation}}$$



# The MPM-PN formalism [Blanchet-Damour-Iyer 1980s; Blanchet 1995, 1998]

- ① Radiative multipole moments observed at infinity from the source ( $\mathcal{J}^+$ )

$$U_L(T - R/c), \quad V_L(T - R/c)$$

- ② Source multipole moments describe a specific matter system

$$I_L(t), \quad J_L(t)$$

- The relations between the radiative moments and the source moments are obtained by the MPM algorithm
- The expressions of the source moments in terms of the source parameters follow from the matching to the PN source
- The radiation reaction effects in the PN solution are also obtained

# The source multipole moments [Blanchet 1995, 1998]

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_L(t) &= \text{PF} \int d^3\mathbf{x} \int_{-1}^1 dz \left\{ \delta_\ell \hat{x}_L \Sigma - \frac{4(2\ell+1)}{c^2(\ell+1)(2\ell+3)} \delta_{\ell+1} \hat{x}_i \Sigma_i^{(1)} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{2(2\ell+1)}{c^4(\ell+1)(\ell+2)(2\ell+5)} \delta_{\ell+2} \hat{x}_{ij} \Sigma_{ij}^{(2)} \right\} \Big|_{(\mathbf{x}, t+zr/c)} \\
 J_L(t) &= \text{PF} \int d^3\mathbf{x} \int_{-1}^1 dz \epsilon_{ab\langle i\ell} \left\{ \delta_\ell \hat{x}_{L-1\rangle a} \Sigma_b \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - \frac{2\ell+1}{c^2(\ell+2)(2\ell+3)} \delta_{\ell+1} \hat{x}_{L-1\rangle ac} \Sigma_{bc}^{(1)} \right\} \Big|_{(\mathbf{x}, t+zr/c)}
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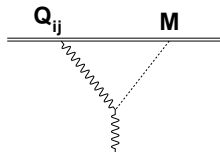
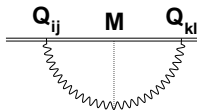
- $\Sigma$ ,  $\Sigma_i$  and  $\Sigma_{ij}$  are the matter currents defined from the PN expansion of the components of the source's stress-energy pseudo tensor
- The **FP** procedure means the Hadamard “Partie Finie” and plays the role of an **IR regularization** in the multipole moments

# The radiative quadrupole moment [Marchand, Blanchet & Faye 2016]

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_{ij}(t) = & \underbrace{I_{ij}^{(2)}(t) + \frac{GM}{c^3} \int_0^{+\infty} d\tau I_{ij}^{(4)}(t-\tau) \left[ 2 \ln \left( \frac{\tau}{2\tau_0} \right) + \frac{11}{6} \right]}_{\text{1.5PN tail integral}} \\
 & + \frac{G}{c^5} \left\{ \underbrace{-\frac{2}{7} \int_0^{+\infty} d\tau I_{a<i}^{(3)} I_{j>a}^{(3)}(t-\tau)}_{\text{2.5PN memory integral}} + \text{instantaneous terms} \right\} \\
 & + \underbrace{\frac{G^2 M^2}{c^6} \int_0^{+\infty} d\tau I_{ij}^{(5)}(t-\tau) \left[ 2 \ln^2 \left( \frac{\tau}{2\tau_0} \right) + \frac{57}{35} \ln \left( \frac{\tau}{2\tau_0} \right) + \frac{124627}{22050} \right]}_{\text{3PN tail-of-tail integral}} \\
 & + \underbrace{\frac{G^3 M^3}{c^9} \int_0^{+\infty} d\tau I_{ij}^{(6)}(t-\tau) \left[ \frac{4}{3} \ln^3 \left( \frac{\tau}{2\tau_0} \right) + \dots + \frac{129268}{33075} + \frac{428}{315} \pi^2 \right]}_{\text{4.5PN tail-of-tail-of-tail integral}} \\
 & + \mathcal{O} \left( \frac{1}{c^{10}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

# The gravitational wave tail effect

[Blanchet & Damour 1988; Blanchet 1993, 1997; Foffa & Sturani 2011; Galley *et al.* 2016]

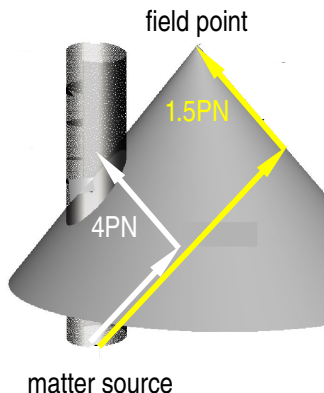


- In the near zone (4PN effect)

$$S^{\text{tail}} = \frac{G^2 M}{5c^8} \iint \frac{dt dt'}{|t - t'|} I_{ij}^{(3)}(t) I_{ij}^{(3)}(t')$$

- In the far zone (1.5PN effect)

$$h_{ij}^{\text{tail}} = \frac{4G}{c^4 r} \frac{GM}{c^3} \int_{-\infty}^t dt' I_{ij}^{(4)}(t') \ln \left( \frac{t - t'}{\tau_0} \right)$$



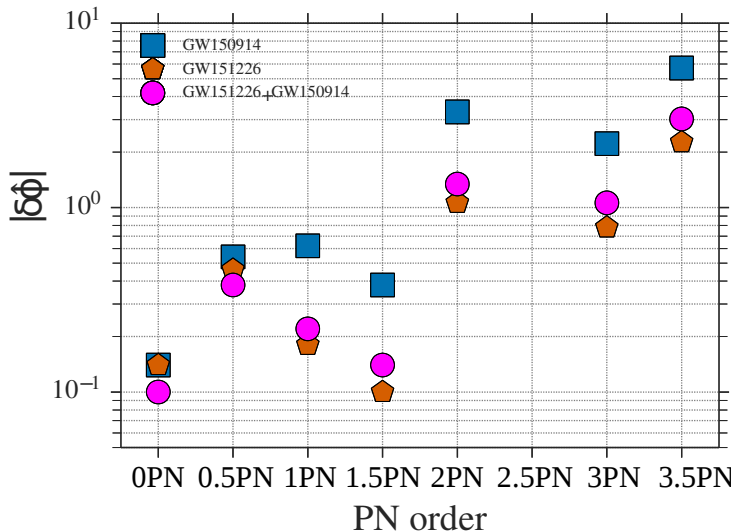
# Phasing formula of inspiralling compact binaries

[BDIWW 1995; B 1996, 1998; BIJ 2002, BFIJ 2002; BDEI 2006]

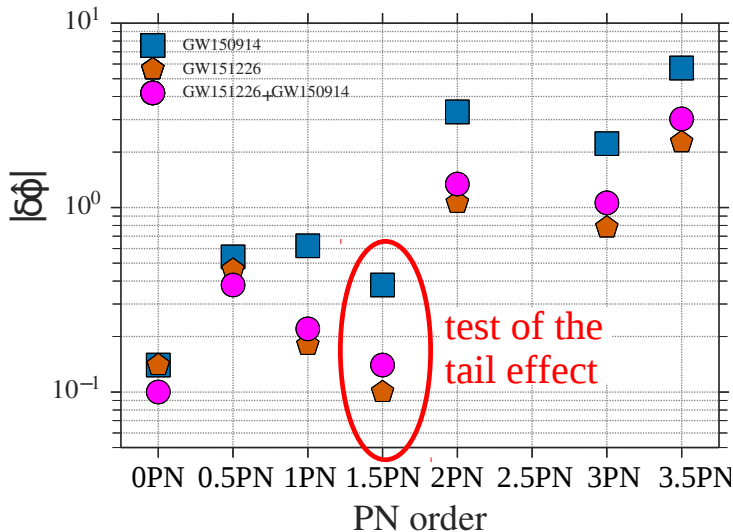
$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\omega) = \phi_0 - \frac{1}{32\nu} \left( \frac{GM\omega}{c^3} \right)^{-5/3} & \left\{ 1 \right. \\ & \underbrace{+ \left( \frac{3715}{1008} + \frac{55}{12}\nu \right) \left( \frac{GM\omega}{c^3} \right)^{2/3}}_{1\text{PN}} \\ & \underbrace{- 10\pi \left( \frac{GM\omega}{c^3} \right)}_{1.5\text{PN (tail)}} \\ & \left. + \underbrace{\left( \frac{15293365}{1016064} + \frac{27145}{1008}\nu + \frac{3085}{144}\nu^2 \right) \left( \frac{GM\omega}{c^3} \right)^{4/3}}_{2\text{PN}} + \dots \right\} \end{aligned}$$

The phase evolution is currently known up to 3.5PN order

# Measurement of PN parameters [LIGO/Virgo 2016]

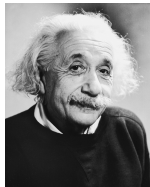


# Measuring GW tails [Blanchet & Sathyaprakash 1994, 1995]



# The 1PN equations of motion

[Lorentz & Droste 1917; Einstein, Infeld & Hoffmann 1938]



$$\frac{d^2 \mathbf{r}_A}{dt^2} = - \sum_{B \neq A} \frac{Gm_B}{r_{AB}^2} \mathbf{n}_{AB} \left[ 1 - 4 \sum_{C \neq A} \frac{Gm_C}{c^2 r_{AC}} - \sum_{D \neq B} \frac{Gm_D}{c^2 r_{BD}} \left( 1 - \frac{\mathbf{r}_{AB} \cdot \mathbf{r}_{BD}}{r_{BD}^2} \right) + \frac{1}{c^2} \left( \mathbf{v}_A^2 + 2\mathbf{v}_B^2 - 4\mathbf{v}_A \cdot \mathbf{v}_B - \frac{3}{2} (\mathbf{v}_B \cdot \mathbf{n}_{AB})^2 \right) \right] + \sum_{B \neq A} \frac{Gm_B}{c^2 r_{AB}^2} \mathbf{v}_{AB} [\mathbf{n}_{AB} \cdot (3\mathbf{v}_B - 4\mathbf{v}_A)] - \frac{7}{2} \sum_{B \neq A} \sum_{D \neq B} \frac{G^2 m_B m_D}{c^2 r_{AB} r_{BD}^3} \mathbf{n}_{BD}$$



# 4PN: state-of-the-art on equations of motion

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dv_1^i}{dt} = & - \frac{Gm_2}{r_{12}^2} n_{12}^i \\
 & \text{1PN Lorentz-Droste-Einstein-Infeld-Hoffmann term} \\
 & + \frac{1}{c^2} \left\{ \left[ \frac{5G^2 m_1 m_2}{r_{12}^3} + \frac{4G^2 m_2^2}{r_{12}^3} + \dots \right] n_{12}^i + \dots \right\} \\
 & + \underbrace{\frac{1}{c^4} [\dots]}_{\text{2PN}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{c^5} [\dots]}_{\text{2.5PN radiation reaction}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{c^6} [\dots]}_{\text{3PN}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{c^7} [\dots]}_{\text{3.5PN radiation reaction}} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{c^8} [\dots]}_{\text{4PN conservative \& radiation tail}} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^9}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

3PN	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{[Jaranowski \& Schäfer 1999; Damour, Jaranowski \& Schäfer 2001ab]} \\ \text{[Blanchet-Faye-de Andrade 2000, 2001; Blanchet \& Iyer 2002]} \\ \text{[Itoh \& Futamase 2003; Itoh 2004]} \\ \text{[Foffa \& Sturani 2011]} \end{array} \right.$	ADM Hamiltonian
		Harmonic EOM
		Surface integral method
		Effective field theory
4PN	$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{[Jaranowski \& Schäfer 2013; Damour, Jaranowski \& Schäfer 2014]} \\ \text{[Bernard, Blanchet, Bohé, Faye, Marchand \& Marsat 2015, 2016, 2017abc]} \\ \text{[Foffa \& Sturani 2012, 2013]} \text{ (partial results)} \end{array} \right.$	ADM Hamiltonian
		Fokker Lagrangian
		Effective field theory

# Fokker action of $N$ particles [Fokker 1929]



- ① Gauge-fixed Einstein-Hilbert action for  $N$  point particles

$$S_{\text{g.f.}} = \frac{c^3}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ R - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} \Gamma^\mu \Gamma^\nu}_{\text{Gauge-fixing term}} \right] - \underbrace{\sum_A m_A c^2 \int dt \sqrt{-(g_{\mu\nu})_A v_A^\mu v_A^\nu / c^2}}_{N \text{ point particles}}$$

- ② Fokker action is obtained by inserting an **explicit PN solution** of the Einstein field equations

$$g_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x}, t) \longrightarrow \bar{g}_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x}; \mathbf{y}_B(t), \mathbf{v}_B(t), \dots)$$

- ③ The PN equations of motion of the  $N$  particles (**self-gravitating system**) are

$$\boxed{\frac{\delta S_F}{\delta \mathbf{y}_A} \equiv \frac{\partial L_F}{\partial \mathbf{y}_A} - \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L_F}{\partial \mathbf{v}_A} \right) + \dots = 0}$$

- ④ The Fokker action is equivalent to the effective action used by the EFT

# Problem of the IR divergences

- ① The tail effect implies the appearance of **IR divergences** in the Fokker action at the 4PN order
- ② Our initial calculation of the Fokker action was based on the Hadamard regularization to treat the IR divergences (**FP** procedure when  $B \rightarrow 0$ )
- ③ However computing the conserved energy and periastron advance for circular orbits we found it does not agree with GSF calculations
- ④ The problem was due to the HR and conjectured that a different IR regularization would give (modulo shifts)

$$L = L^{\text{HR}} + \underbrace{\frac{G^4 m m_1^2 m_2^2}{c^8 r_{12}^4} \left( \delta_1 (n_{12} v_{12})^2 + \delta_2 v_{12}^2 \right)}_{\text{two ambiguity parameters } \delta_1 \text{ and } \delta_2}$$

- ⑤ Matching with GSF results for the energy and periastron advance uniquely fixes the two ambiguity parameters and we are in complete agreement with the results from the Hamiltonian formalism [DJS]

# Dimensional regularization of the IR divergences

- The Hadamard regularization of IR divergences reads

$$I_{\mathcal{R}}^{\text{HR}} = \underset{B=0}{\text{FP}} \int_{r>\mathcal{R}} d^3\mathbf{x} \left(\frac{r}{r_0}\right)^B F(\mathbf{x})$$

- The corresponding dimensional regularization reads

$$I_{\mathcal{R}}^{\text{DR}} = \int_{r>\mathcal{R}} \frac{d^d\mathbf{x}}{\ell_0^{d-3}} F^{(d)}(\mathbf{x})$$

- The difference between the two regularization is of the type ( $\varepsilon = d - 3$ )

$$\mathcal{D}I = \sum_q \left[ \underbrace{\frac{1}{(q-1)\varepsilon}}_{\text{IR pole}} - \ln\left(\frac{r_0}{\ell_0}\right) \right] \int d\Omega_{2+\varepsilon} \varphi_{3,q}^{(\varepsilon)}(\mathbf{n}) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

# Ambiguity-free completion of the 4PN EOM

[Marchand, Bernard, Blanchet & Faye 2017]

- 1 The tail effect contains a **UV pole which cancels the IR pole** coming from the instantaneous part of the action

$$S_F^{\text{tail}} = \frac{2G^2 M}{5c^8} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} Q_{ij}^{(3)}(t) \int_0^{+\infty} d\tau \left[ \ln \left( \frac{c\sqrt{q}\tau}{2l_0} \right) \underbrace{-\frac{1}{2\varepsilon}}_{\text{UV pole}} + \frac{41}{60} \right] Q_{ij}^{(4)}(t - \tau)$$

- 2 For the tail effect we are in complete agreement with the EFT calculation based on a single Feynman diagram [Galley, Leibovich, Porto & Ross 2011]
- 3 Adding up all contributions we obtain the conjectured form of the ambiguity terms with the correct values of the ambiguity parameters  $\delta_1$  and  $\delta_2$
- 4 The lack of a consistent matching in the ADM Hamiltonian formalism [DJS] forces this formalism to be plagued by one ambiguity parameter