



# Modelling the gravitational wave signal from compact binary coalescence



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#### **Requirements:**

- Accuracy: Keep up with detector sensitivity!
- Fast evaluation for Bayesian inference need ~ 10<sup>7</sup> evaluations
- How accurately can we measure different quantities?



### 2-Step LIGO/Virgo Compact binary workflow

- Searches -> detection: what is the statistical evidence of seeing a signal above background, fixed template bank.
  - Search pipelines: matched filter [PyCBC, GstLAL], time-frequency excess power [cWB].
- Bayesian parameter estimation: vary templates with random walks in parameter space, using MCMC etc.



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#### **Degeneracy:**

only measure  $M_{c}$ , not both component masses.

Good for searches - bad for parameter estimation!



Figure 2. Posterior probability densities for binary component masses  $(m_1, m_2)$ , total mass (M), and chirp mass

## GW anatomy & the need for numerical relativity



**Post-Newtonian expansion** Hamiltonian =  $H_N + O(v/c) + ...$ 

Similar for radiated energy, , ...

State of the art: mostly (v/c)<sup>7</sup>

Detector signal for non-precessing binaries seen ~ face-on/off *or* I=2,m=2-spherical harmonic.

 $M \ge 12M_{\odot}$  requires NR for construction of detection templates.

#### (linear) black hole perturbation theory

"QNM" ringdown:

Describe signal in terms of damped sinusoids with frequencies + damping times known in terms of black hole spin:

$$h = \sum_{l,m} e^{i\omega_{lm}t} e^{-t/\tau_{lm}}$$

# "holy grail" problem: numerically evolve BHs! $G_{ab} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ab}$ ---- starting 1950's ---> Choose coordinates for spacetime =>

- ~ 10 coupled nonlinear wave eqs., complex sources.
- GR is a gauge theory like E&M, Yang-Mills.

# Preserving constraints numerically well understood for E&M, not GR.



- First orbit + GWs:
   Frans Pretorius 2005
- Surprise breakthrough after 4 decades of unstable formulations.
- => Gold-rush of improved -10 methods and results.



# Singularities and Black Holes

BHs are quintessential objects of GW physics: coalescence, end product of neutron star mergers or supernovae.

- Need to avoid simulating singular BH interior!
  - Excision technique: don't evolve values inside a pure outflow boundary ("apparent" horizon)

Control systems keep excision surface (hole in domain) in place. SpEC code / SXS collaboration

 Singularity avoiding slicings: Choose time coordinate to never reach physical singularity
 => no holes in computational domain. Several finite difference codes.







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### Numerics, Scales & mesh refinement

- Solutions are smooth without matter: high order finite differencing or spectral methods.
- Several length & time scales:
  - individual compact objects
  - orbital scale
  - wave frequency increases ~ factor of 10
  - causally isolate boundaries
  - Need spatial and temporal mesh refinement,
  - Simulations ~ 10<sup>5</sup> 10<sup>6</sup> core hours, ~ 10<sup>9</sup> core hours in total so far



# Gluing PN + NR: Hybrid waveforms

• Extending NR to low frequencies is very expensive!

$$T_{coalescence} \approx \eta^{-1} f_{initial}^{-8/3} \qquad \eta = \frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2}$$

 -> hybridise (glue) with post-Newtonian waveforms: input date to calibrate waveform models.



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#### GW170608: lightest binary so far



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### Shortcuts toward precession & subdominant harmonics

- orbital time scale << precession scale: Co-rotating frame: phasing and radiated energy essentially unaffected by precession [Schmidt+ PRD 2011]
- -> approximate map from non-precessing to precessing: "twist up" non-precessing model with "post-Newtonian" Euler angles.
   [Schmidt+ PRD 2012, Hannam+ PRL 2013]
  - Missing: north/south asymmetry responsible for large recoil [Brügmann+PRD 2008]
- [London+2018]
   Use perturbation theory arguments for approximate map from 22-mode to other spherical harmonic modes.









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# Waveform Modelling strategies I

Model simple functions:

e.g. split waveform into amplitude & phase.

- Frequency or time domain:
  - TD naturally suited for modelling dynamics
  - FD often more efficient for data analysis.

#### • Discretize functions:

reduce to coefficients in some phenomenological ansatz, grid up, construct basis functions from waveforms.

#### • Example:

- ~ 30 frequency points grid for amplitude and phase  $\frac{1}{2}$
- polynomial interpolation in parameter space
- reconstruct WF as spline

#### Avoid underfitting + overfitting to noise & systematic errors.



# Waveform Modelling strategies II

- Currently 3 main strategies with different emphasis:
- effective one body (EOB) push perturbative methods as far as possible
  - model the energy and flux of a particle inspiral in an effective metric, then integrate ODEs numerically.
  - Slow need a fast model of the phenomenological EOB model.
- phenomenological (frequency domain) models phenomenological understanding
  - piecewise closed form expressions fast
- "Surrogate models:" ROM for numerical data algorithms to interpolate large parameter spaces
  - No intermediate phenomenological model, can use the same methods as for fast evaluation of EOB.
- Phenomenological + EOB: Make a physically motivated ansatz in terms of suitable parameters, fit to each waveform, then fit coefficients across parameter space.

## Hierarchical Strategy to conquer parameter space

#### Model directions in parameter space in order of importance.

- Start with I=|m|=2 spherical harmonic mode (1 harmonic), no spins
   1D physical parameter space
- Non-precessing spins: single effective spin 1 harmonic, 2D
- Leading precession effects via PN
- Non-precessing spins
- Non-precessing spins higher modes: handful of harmonics, 3D
- Extend to matter (incorporate some neutron star tidal effects)
- Eccentricity: non-spinning 22 mode 2D
- NR calibration of leading precession effects 7 D
- Generic black holes 9 D



- 5 harmonics,  $\geq$  3D

### Phenomenological waveforms program

- Collaboration of UIB, Cardiff U, MPI Hannover, ICTS Bangalore, U of Zurich.
  - Numerical simulations based on MareNostrum machines during last decade.
- PhenomD / PhenomP: UIB contribution to compact binary discoveries.
- @UIB: X. Jiménez Forteza, David Keitel, Geraint Pratten, Marta Colleoni, Leila Haegel, *Cecilio García, Toni Ramos, Hector Estellés*, *SH*.
- Recent work:
  - PhenomX ~ 100 accuracy improvement
  - Calibrate subdominant harmonics to NR

Mismatch in part due to NR inaccuracy - need more accurate input waveforms \_\_\_\_>









# Phenom\*: Modelling the dominant spherical harmonic mode from non-precessing binaries

Divide and conquer:

- Split waveform into amplitude + phase, model simple non-oscillatory functions.
- Simplicity of modelling increases with the number of frequency-regions.
- Actual: ~ 10 parameters per function.
- Our choice: 3 regions, ~ 3 params. each
  - inspiral (use PN intuition)
  - merger
  - ringdown (use perturbative intuition)



# Hierarchical modelling: Final spin example



- Proceed to find fitting ansatz in hierarchical way: 1D. 2D, 3D
- Work with residuals after subtracting previous step,
- Always work on 1D or 2D problems only.
- Combine data from different NR codes, with different numerical artefacts.



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### Are models good enough for current detectors?

- Detailed study for G: inject NR waveforms into noise contain physics that is not yet (well) modelled [Effects of wf. model systematics on the interpretation of GW150914, LIGO+Virgo, PRD2017]:
  - higher modes, precession, eccentricity.
  - Redo Bayesian parameter estimation, determine parameter bias.
  - Models good enough for first detection(s)
    need to improve for O3 and beyond.



FIG. 3. Comparison of spins for the precessing NR mock signal (CFUIB0029) shown in Fig. 2. Left: PDFs for the  $\chi_p$  and  $\chi_{eff}$  spin parameters. The one-dimensional plots show probability contours of the prior (green) and marginalized PDF (black). The dashed vertical lines mark 90% credible intervals. The two-dimensional plot shows the contours of the 50% and 90% credible regions plotted over a color-coded PDF. The injected parameter values are shown as red dot-dashed lines and a red asterisk. Right: PDFs for the dimensionless component spins  $cS_1/(Gm_1^2)$  and  $cS_2/(Gm_2^2)$  relative to the normal to the orbital plane L, marginalized over uncertainties in the azimuthal angles.



#### Bias in recovering effective spin: Kumar+, PRD2016



FIG. 10. Systematic bias in the recovery of the effective spin parameter  $\chi_{\text{eff}}$ , as a function of the normalized effective spin of the NR waveforms. The plot-markers show the recovered  $\chi_{\text{eff}}$  for a binary with total mass fixed at  $80M_{\odot}$ , while the "error-bars" show the range spanned by the recovered q as the injected binary mass is varied between its lowest allowed value and  $150M_{\odot}$ .

### Fourth generation in progress 26.

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# GW170817: inicio de la cosmología de GW

GW170817 puede usarse como una "sirena estándar": combinando la distancia (inferida de la señal gravitacional) con la velocidad de recesión de la fuente (corrimiento al rojo; inferida de la señal electromagnética) se determina la constante de Hubble.



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Event	Primary mass (M_sun)	Secondary mass (M_sun)	Effective inspiral spin	Final mass (M_sun)	Luminosity distance (Mpc)	Source redshift	Network SNR gstLAL
GW150914	<b>35.6</b> <sup>+4.8</sup> <sub>-3.0</sub>	<b>30.6</b> <sup>+3.0</sup> <sub>-4.4</sub>	<b>-0.01</b> <sup>+0.12</sup> <sub>-0.13</sub>	<b>63.1</b> <sup>+3.3</sup> <sub>-3.0</sub>	<b>430</b> +150 -170	<b>0.09</b> +0.03 -0.03	24.4
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GW151226	<b>13.7</b> <sup>+8.8</sup> <sub>-3.2</sub>	<b>7.7</b> +2.2 -2.6	<b>0.18</b> +0.20 -0.12	<b>20.5</b> <sup>+6.4</sup> <sub>-1.5</sub>	<b>440</b> <sup>+180</sup> <sub>-190</sub>	<b>0.09</b> +0.04 -0.04	13.1
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GW170608	<b>10.9</b> <sup>+5.3</sup> <sub>-1.7</sub>	<b>7.6</b> <sup>+1.3</sup> <sub>-2.1</sub>	<b>0.03</b> +0.19 -0.07	<b>17.8</b> <sup>+3.2</sup> <sub>-0.7</sub>	<b>320</b> <sup>+120</sup> <sub>-110</sub>	<b>0.07</b> +0.02 -0.02	14.9
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# O2 Sensitivity

O1: September 12 2015 - January 19 2016, O2: November 30 2016 - August 25 2017 [Advanced Virgo joined Aug 1 2017]

O2 data were recalibrated and cleaned to increase sensitivity



FIG. 1. Left: BNS range for each instrument during O2. The break at week 3 was for the 2016 end-of-year holidays. There was an additional break in the run at week 23 to make improvements to instrument sensitivity. The Montana earthquake's impact on the LHO instrument sensitivity can be seen at week 31. Virgo joined O2 in week 34. Right: Amplitude spectral density of the total strain noise of the Virgo, LHO and LLO detectors. The curves are representative of the best performance of each detector during O2.

# Distance + Inclination

Degenerate!

Luminosity distance and chirp mass are positively correlated, as expected for un-lensed BBH observations.



# Masses + Final State



FIG. 4. Parameter estimation summary plots I. Posterior probability densities of the masses, spins, and SNR of the GW events. For the two-dimensional distributions, the contours show 90% credible regions. Left panel: Source frame component masses  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ . We use the convention that  $m_1 \ge m_2$ , which produces the sharp cut in the two-dimensional distribution. Lines of constant mass ratio  $q = m_2/m_1$  are shown for 1/q = 2, 4, 8. For low-mass events, the contours follow lines of constant chirp mass. Right panel: The mass  $M_f$  and dimensionless spin magnitude  $a_f$  of the final black holes. The colored event labels are ordered by source frame chirp mass. The same color code and ordering (where appropriate) apply to Figs. 5 to 8.

# Mass Ratio and Spins



GW170817	GW151226	GW170104	GW170809	GW150914	GW170729
<b>GW170608</b>	<b>GW151012</b>	<b>GW170814</b>	<b>GW170818</b>	<b>GW170823</b>	

# Rates

Approximately one GW detection per 15 days of data searched.

O3 run will start in April 2019, last ~ 1 calendar year - expect to see many more events.

We have determined merger rates of

- BNS: [110, 3840] Gpc<sup>-3</sup> y<sup>-1</sup>
- BBH: [9.7, 101] Gpc<sup>-3</sup> y<sup>-1</sup>

• NSBH merger rate 90% upper limit of 610 (580) Gpc<sup>-3</sup> y<sup>-1</sup>

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Until now we have seen black hole mergers up to about redshift z~0.5.

LISA and ET will allow to see black hole mergers back in the dark ages of the universe, and hopefully gravitational waves created in the first moments of the universe.

time				
	alitation	cosmic dawn	dark ages	recombination
edshift	Z ~ 10	20	100	1000

# Much before: the third observation run O3, will start in April 2019. Stay tuned for new discoveries ....

