

POST-NEWTONIAN GENERAL RELATIVITY AND  
GRAVITATIONAL WAVES.  
PART IV: EFFECTIVE ONE-BODY FORMALISM

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## EFFECTIVE ONE-BODY FORMALISM

- **Effective one-body (EOB) formalism** provides accurate templates needed for detection of gravitational-wave signals (and estimation of their parameters) of coalescing black-hole binaries.

EOB templates correspond to the full coalescence process of BH/BH systems from early inspiral to ringdown.

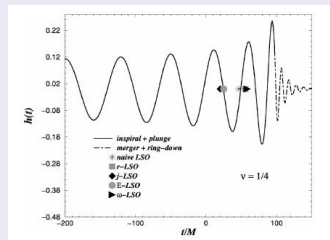
- EOB formalism is based on approximate results and **it allows to model analytically motion and radiation of BH/BH system** from its adiabatic inspiral, through merger, up to vibrations of the resultant Kerr BH.
- After incorporating tidal interactions EOB formalism also describes BH/NS and NS/NS systems.

EOB formalism was initiated in 1999–2000 by T.Damour and A.Buonanno at the 2PN level and is being developed since then by them and their collaborators.

T.Damour, PJ, G.Schäfer, 2000: incorporating 3PN-level orbital dynamics;

T.Damour, PJ, G.Schäfer, 2008: incorporating next-to-leading order spin-orbit corrections;

T.Damour, PJ, G.Schäfer, 2015: incorporating 4PN-level orbital dynamics.



(A.Buonanno and T.Damour, PRD, 2000)

## MAIN IDEA AND STRUCTURE OF EOB APPROACH

- Waveforms computed numerically and by means of the **PN approximation of high enough order** agree very well in the region, where the objects are sufficiently far away.

Gravitational waves emitted in the last stage of the BH/BH evolution are accurately describable as a superposition of several **quasi-normal modes of the Kerr BH**.

- **Main idea of EOB approach**: extend the domain of validity of PN and BH perturbation theories up to merger and define **EOB waveform** as:

$$h^{\text{EOB}}(t) = \theta(t_m - t) h^{\text{ins+plunge}}(t) + \theta(t - t_m) h^{\text{ringdown}}(t),$$

$\theta(t)$  denotes Heaviside's step function,  $t_m$  is the time at which the two waveforms  $h^{\text{ins+plunge}}$  and  $h^{\text{ringdown}}$  are matched.

- **Ringdown waveform**  $h^{\text{ringdown}}(t)$  is computed from BH perturbation theory. Computation of **inspiral + plunge waveform**  $h^{\text{ins+plunge}}(t)$  requires usage of **resummation techniques**, which include translation of real two-body problem into effective one and usage of Padé approximants.

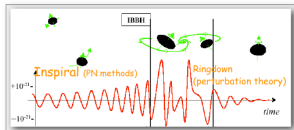
The EOB approach comprises three ingredients:

- PN conservative Hamiltonian  $\rightarrow$  EOB-improved Hamiltonian;
- PN gravitational-wave luminosities  $\rightarrow$  EOB radiation-reaction force;
- a description of the GW waveform emitted by a coalescing binary system.

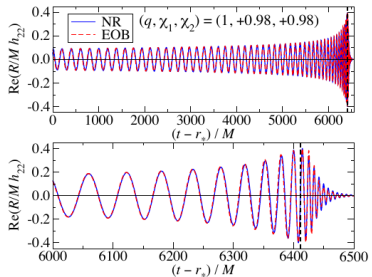
## WHY DOES IT WORK?

The merging phase could be very complicated...

Brady, Craighton & Thorne, 1998



but it is not...  
(templates used for GW150914)



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## REAL TWO-BODY PROBLEM VS EFFECTIVE ONE-BODY PROBLEM

$$M := m_1 + m_2, \quad \mu := \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}, \quad \nu := \frac{\mu}{M} = \frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2}, \quad 0 \leq \nu \leq \frac{1}{4}$$

At the Newtonian level the two-body problem can be reduced to motion of a *test particle* of mass  $\mu$  orbiting around an *external mass*  $M$ .

The EOB approach is a general relativistic generalization of this fact.

**Real two-body problem:**

two black holes of masses  $m_1, m_2$  and spins  $\mathbf{S}_1, \mathbf{S}_2$   
orbiting around each other



**Effective one-body problem:**

one test particle (with additional nongeodesic corrections)  
of mass  $\mu$  and spin  $\mathbf{S}^*$   
moving in some background metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{effective}}$

- The effective metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{effective}}$  is a  $\nu$ -deformed Kerr metric of mass  $M$  and spin  $\mathbf{S}_{\text{Kerr}} := \mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2$ .
- The spin of the effective particle reads

$$\mathbf{S}^* := \frac{m_2}{m_1} \mathbf{S}_1 + \frac{m_1}{m_2} \mathbf{S}_2 + (\text{spin-orbit terms}).$$



## THE MAPPING RULES BETWEEN THE TWO PROBLEMS (MOTIVATED BY QUANTUM CONSIDERATIONS)

- The adiabatic invariants (the action variables)  $I_i = \oint p_i dq_i$  are identified in the two problems.
- The energies are mapped through a function  $f$ :

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{effective}} = f(\mathcal{E}_{\text{real}}),$$

$f$  is determined in the process of matching.

One looks for a metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{effective}}$  such that the energies of the bound states of a particle moving in  $g_{\alpha\beta}^{\text{effective}}$  are in one-to-one correspondence with the energies of the two-body bound states:

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{effective}}(I_i) = f(\mathcal{E}_{\text{real}}(I_i)).$$

The identification of the action variables guarantees that the two problems are mapped by a canonical transformation.

## CONSERVATIVE 4PN-ACCURATE HAMILTONIAN DESCRIBING RELATIVE MOTION

Conservative 4PN-accurate ADM **orbital** Hamiltonian  $H_{\leq 4\text{PN}}[\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{p}_1, \mathbf{p}_2]$  (we ignore spin-dependent corrections) is reduced to **center-of-mass frame**:

$$\mathbf{p}_1 + \mathbf{p}_2 = 0.$$

Rescaled dimensionless variables in the center-of-mass frame:

$$\mathbf{r} := \frac{c^2}{GM}(\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2), \quad \mathbf{p} := \frac{\mathbf{p}_1}{\mu c} = -\frac{\mathbf{p}_2}{\mu c}, \quad \hat{t} := \frac{c^3 t}{GM}.$$

'Non-relativistic' **orbital** Hamiltonian:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{H}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}^{\text{nr}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}] &:= \frac{H_{\leq 4\text{PN}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}] - Mc^2}{\mu c^2} \\ &= \hat{H}_{\text{N}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + \hat{H}_{1\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + \hat{H}_{2\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + \hat{H}_{3\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + \hat{H}_{4\text{PN}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}], \\ \hat{H}_{\text{N}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) &= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{p}^2 - \frac{1}{r}, \dots \end{aligned}$$

## MODELLING NONSPINNING BINARIES

The effective metric is a static and spherically symmetric  $\nu$ -deformation of the Schwarzschild metric:

$$g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}(X'; \nu) dX'^{\mu} dX'^{\nu} = -A(R'; \nu) c^2 dT'^2 + \frac{D(R'; \nu)}{A(R'; \nu)} dR'^2 + R'^2 (d\Theta'^2 + \sin^2 \Theta' d\Phi'^2),$$

metric functions  $A$  and  $D$  are looked for in the form of PN expansions [using dimensionless radial coordinate  $r' := c^2 R' / (GM)$ ],

$$A(r'; \nu) = 1 + \frac{a_0(\nu)}{r'} + \frac{a_1(\nu)}{r'^2} + \frac{a_2(\nu)}{r'^3} + \frac{a_3(\nu)}{r'^4} + \frac{a_{41}(\nu) + a_{42}(\nu) \ln r'}{r'^5} + \dots,$$

$$D(r'; \nu) = 1 + \frac{d_1(\nu)}{r'} + \frac{d_2(\nu)}{r'^2} + \frac{d_3(\nu)}{r'^3} + \frac{d_{41}(\nu) + d_{42}(\nu) \ln r'}{r'^4} + \dots.$$

- Newtonian limit:  $a_0(\nu) = -2$ .
- $g_{\mu\nu}^{\text{eff}}$  tends to the Schwarzschild metric when  $\nu \rightarrow 0$ :

$$A(r'; 0) = 1 - \frac{2}{r'}, \quad D(r'; 0) = 1 \quad \text{RESUMMATION!}$$

## EFFECTIVE HAMILTONIAN

Effective Hamiltonian  $H_{\text{eff}}$  is derived from the equation

$$\mu^2 c^2 + g_{\text{eff}}^{\mu\nu}(X') P'_\mu P'_\nu + Q(X', P') = 0, \quad (*)$$

$Q$  denotes contributions which are at least quartic in momenta,

$$Q(X', P') = Q_4^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3 \mu_4}(X') P'_{\mu_1} P'_{\mu_2} P'_{\mu_3} P'_{\mu_4} \\ + Q_6^{\mu_1 \mu_2 \mu_3 \mu_4 \mu_5 \mu_6}(X') P'_{\mu_1} P'_{\mu_2} P'_{\mu_3} P'_{\mu_4} P'_{\mu_5} P'_{\mu_6} + \dots$$

One can reduce the  $P'$ -dependence of  $Q$  to a dependence on the sole  $P'_r = \mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{P}'$ , then the equation (\*) is quadratic in the time component  $P'_0$  and  $H_{\text{eff}} = -P'_0$ :

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \frac{H_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}')}{\mu c^2} = \sqrt{A(r') \left( 1 + \mathbf{p}'^2 + \left( \frac{A(r')}{D(r')} - 1 \right) (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^2 + \hat{Q}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') \right)},$$

where  $\mathbf{r}' := c^2 \mathbf{R}/(GM)$ ,  $\mathbf{p}' := \mathbf{P}/(\mu c)$ , and  $\hat{Q} := Q/(\mu^2 c^2)$ .

At the 4PN accuracy  $\hat{Q}$  is of the form

$$\hat{Q}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \left( \frac{q_3(\nu)}{r'^2} + \frac{q_{41,4}(\nu) + q_{42,4}(\nu) \ln r'}{r'^3} \right) (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^4 \\ + \frac{q_{61,6}(\nu) + q_{62,6}(\nu) \ln r'}{r'^2} (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^6 + \mathcal{O}((\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^8).$$

## MAP BETWEEN THE REAL ENERGY LEVELS AND THE EFFECTIVE ONES

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \mu c^2 + H^{\text{nr}} \left( 1 + \alpha_1 \frac{H^{\text{nr}}}{\mu c^2} + \alpha_2 \left( \frac{H^{\text{nr}}}{\mu c^2} \right)^2 + \alpha_3 \left( \frac{H^{\text{nr}}}{\mu c^2} \right)^3 + \alpha_4 \left( \frac{H^{\text{nr}}}{\mu c^2} \right)^4 + \dots \right),$$

for the rescaled energies it reads

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = 1 + H_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) \left( 1 + \alpha_1 H_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + \alpha_2 (H_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}))^2 + \alpha_3 (H_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}))^3 + \alpha_4 (H_{\text{red}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}))^4 + \dots \right).$$

## SPLIT OF THE REAL HAMILTONIAN

- The 4PN-accurate Hamiltonian can be decomposed in local- and nonlocal-in-time parts:

$$\hat{H}^{\text{nr}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}] = \hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr I}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}; \hat{s}) + \hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}; \hat{s}],$$

$$\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr I}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}; \hat{s}) = \hat{H}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}^{\text{local}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) + F(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}) \ln \frac{r}{\hat{s}},$$

$$\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}; \hat{s}] = -\frac{1}{5} \frac{G^2}{\nu c^8} \ddot{i}_{ij}(t) \times \text{Pf}_{2GM\hat{s}/c} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\tau}{|\tau|} \ddot{i}_{ij}(t + \tau),$$

$\hat{s} := s/(GM)$ , where the scale  $s$  is a UV cutoff in the tail Hamiltonian and an IR one in the near-zone Hamiltonian [ $s$  is an intermediate scale between the size of the system  $r_{12}$  and the reduced wavelength  $\lambda/(2\pi)$ ].

- The arbitrary scale  $\hat{s}$  enters both parts, though it cancels out in the total Hamiltonian.

## SPLIT OF THE EFFECTIVE HAMILTONIAN

- To the split of the real Hamiltonian, there corresponds a (4PN-accurate) split of the various building blocks  $A$ ,  $\bar{D}$ , and  $\hat{Q}$  entering the effective Hamiltonian

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \sqrt{A(r') \left( 1 + \mathbf{p}'^2 + \left( A(r') \bar{D}(r') - 1 \right) (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^2 + \hat{Q}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') \right)}.$$

This split looks as follows

$$A(r') = A^{\text{I}}(r') + A^{\text{II}}(r'), \quad \bar{D}(r') = \bar{D}^{\text{I}}(r') + \bar{D}^{\text{II}}(r'), \quad \hat{Q}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \hat{Q}^{\text{I}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') + \hat{Q}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}'),$$

$$A^{\text{I}}(r') = 1 - \frac{2}{r'} + \frac{a_2}{r'^2} + \frac{a_3}{r'^3} + \frac{a_4}{r'^4} + \frac{a_{5,c}^{\text{I}} + a_{5,\ln}^{\text{I}} \ln r'}{r'^5}, \quad A^{\text{II}}(r') = \frac{a_{5,c}^{\text{II}} + a_{5,\ln}^{\text{II}} \ln r'}{r'^5},$$

$$\bar{D}^{\text{I}}(r') = 1 + \frac{\bar{d}_1}{r'} + \frac{\bar{d}_2}{r'^2} + \frac{\bar{d}_3}{r'^3} + \frac{\bar{d}_{4,c}^{\text{I}} + \bar{d}_{4,\ln}^{\text{I}} \ln r'}{r'^4}, \quad \bar{D}^{\text{II}}(r') = \frac{\bar{d}_{4,c}^{\text{II}} + \bar{d}_{4,\ln}^{\text{II}} \ln r'}{r'^4},$$

$$\hat{Q}^{\text{I}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \left( \frac{q_{42}}{r'^2} + \frac{q_{43,c}^{\text{I}} + q_{43,\ln}^{\text{I}} \ln r'}{r'^3} \right) (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^4 + \frac{q_{62,c}^{\text{I}} + q_{62,\ln}^{\text{I}} \ln r'}{r'^2} (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^6,$$

$$\hat{Q}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \frac{q_{43,c}^{\text{II}} + q_{43,\ln}^{\text{II}} \ln r'}{r'^3} (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^4 + \frac{q_{62,c}^{\text{II}} + q_{62,\ln}^{\text{II}} \ln r'}{r'^2} (\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^6 + \mathcal{O}((\mathbf{n}' \cdot \mathbf{p}')^8).$$

- After employing the I + II split of the functions  $A$ ,  $\bar{D}$ , and  $\hat{Q}$ , one expands  $\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}$  into a PN Taylor series (i.e., with respect to  $\mathbf{p}'^2 \sim 1/r' \sim 1/c^2$ ). One gets

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') = \hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{I}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') + \hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{II}}(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}') + \mathcal{O}(c^{-10}).$$

## MATCHING OF THE LOCAL PART OF THE HAMILTONIAN

- The identification of the action variables guarantees that the two problems are mapped by a *canonical transformation*, with generating function

$$\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}') = \mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}' + \mathfrak{g}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}'),$$

so the relation between the real phase-space coordinates  $(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p})$  and the effective phase-space coordinates  $(\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}')$  reads

$$x'^i = x^i + \frac{\partial \mathfrak{g}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}')}{\partial p'_i}, \quad p_i = p'_i + \frac{\partial \mathfrak{g}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}')}{\partial x^i}.$$

- The generating function has the symbolic structure

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{g}_{\leq 4\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}') &= \mathfrak{g}_{\leq 3\text{PN}}(\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}') + (\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{p}') (1 + \ln r) \\ &\quad \times \left( (\mathbf{p}'^2)^4 + \frac{1}{r} ((\mathbf{p}'^2)^3 + \dots) + \dots + \frac{1}{r^4} \right). \end{aligned}$$



## MATCHING OF THE NONLOCAL PART OF THE HAMILTONIAN (1/6)

- One can reduce nonlocal-in-time dynamics to local-in-time one by means of **Delaunay (action-angle) reduction**.
- The action-angle variables for **Newtonian motion in the fixed plane** ( $\hat{a} := a/(GM)$  is semimajor axis and  $e$  is eccentricity):
  - $\ell$  is the mean anomaly, its conjugate  $\mathcal{L} := \sqrt{\hat{a}}$ ,
  - $g \equiv \omega$  is the argument of the periastron, its conjugate  $\mathcal{G} := \sqrt{\hat{a}(1 - e^2)}$ .
- The **mean anomaly**  $\ell$  is an angle that increases uniformly in time at the rate of  $2\pi$  radians every orbital period.  
The **argument of the periastron**  $g$  is the angle subtended between the direction of the ascending node and the direction of the orbit's periastron.

## MATCHING OF THE NONLOCAL PART OF THE HAMILTONIAN (2/6)

- The Newtonian Delaunay Hamiltonian,

$$\hat{H}_N(\ell, g, \mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{p}^2 - \frac{1}{r} = -\frac{1}{2\mathcal{L}^2}.$$

- Equations of motion

$$\frac{d\ell}{d\hat{t}} = \frac{\partial \hat{H}_N}{\partial \mathcal{L}} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}^3} \equiv \hat{\Omega}(\mathcal{L}), \quad \frac{dg}{d\hat{t}} = \frac{\partial \hat{H}_N}{\partial \mathcal{G}} = 0,$$

$$\frac{d\mathcal{L}}{d\hat{t}} = -\frac{\partial \hat{H}_N}{\partial \ell} = 0, \quad \frac{d\mathcal{G}}{d\hat{t}} = -\frac{\partial \hat{H}_N}{\partial g} = 0,$$

where the time variable  $\hat{t} := t/(GM)$  and  $\hat{\Omega}$  is the rescaled Newtonian orbital frequency. It satisfies the rescaled Kepler law:

$$\hat{\Omega} = \hat{a}^{3/2}.$$

## Elimination of periodically varying terms

- The expression (which enters the nonlocal-in-time piece  $\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}$ )

$$\mathcal{F}(t, \tau) := \ddot{I}_{ij}(t) \ddot{I}_{ij}(t + \tau),$$

can be rewritten as (here  $n_1, n_2, n_3$  are positive integers)

$$\mathcal{F}(\ell, \hat{\tau}) = \sum_{n_1, n_2, \pm n_3} C_{n_1 n_2 n_3}^{\pm} e^{n_1} \cos(n_2 \ell \pm n_3 \Omega(\mathcal{L}) \hat{\tau}).$$

After integrating over  $\hat{\tau}$  any term containing  $n_2 \neq 0$  generates  $\propto \cos(n_2 \ell)$  contribution to  $\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}$ .

- Any term of the type  $A(\mathcal{L}) \cos(n\ell)$  in a first-order perturbation  $\epsilon H_1(\ell, \mathcal{L})$  can be eliminated by a canonical transformation with generating function of the type  $\mathfrak{g}(\mathcal{L}, \ell) = B(\mathcal{L}) \sin(n\ell)$ :

$$\delta_{\mathfrak{g}} H_1 = \{\hat{H}_N(\mathcal{L}), \mathfrak{g}\} = -\frac{\partial \hat{H}_N(\mathcal{L})}{\partial \mathcal{L}} \frac{\partial \mathfrak{g}}{\partial \ell} = -n \Omega(\mathcal{L}) B(\mathcal{L}) \cos(n\ell),$$

the choice  $B := A/(n\Omega)$  eliminates the term  $A \cos(n\ell)$  in  $\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}$ .

### ℓ-averaged Hamiltonian

- One can simplify the 4PN Hamiltonian  $\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}$  by replacing it by its  $\ell$ -averaged value,

$$\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}; \hat{s}) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\ell \hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}[\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{p}; \hat{s}] = -\frac{1}{5} \frac{G^2}{\nu c^8} \text{Pf}_{2\hat{s}/c} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{d\hat{\tau}}{|\hat{\tau}|} \bar{\mathcal{F}},$$

where  $\bar{\mathcal{F}}$  denotes the  $\ell$ -average of  $\mathcal{F}(\ell, \hat{\tau})$ .

- $\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}; \hat{s})$  is given as an expansion in (only even) powers of  $e$ .
- One can employ the Bessel-Fourier expansion of the quadrupole moment ( $e = 2.718\dots$  should be distinguished from the eccentricity  $e$ )

$$I_{ij}(\ell; e) = \sum_{p=-\infty}^{+\infty} I_{ij}^p(e) e^{ip\ell}.$$

## MATCHING OF THE NONLOCAL PART OF THE HAMILTONIAN (5/6)

### Explicit form of $\hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}; \hat{s})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}; \hat{s}) &= \frac{4}{5} \frac{G^2}{\nu c^8} \left( \frac{\Omega}{GM} \right)^6 \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} p^6 |I_{ij}^p(e)|^2 \ln \left( 2p \frac{e^{\gamma E \Omega \hat{s}}}{c} \right) \\
 &= \frac{\nu}{c^8 \mathcal{L}^{10}} \left( \frac{64}{5} \left( 2 \ln 2 + \ln \left( \frac{e^{\gamma E \hat{s}}}{c \mathcal{L}^3} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{5} \left( \frac{296}{3} \ln 2 + 729 \ln 3 + \frac{1256}{3} \ln \left( \frac{e^{\gamma E \hat{s}}}{c \mathcal{L}^3} \right) \right) \right) e^2 \\
 &\quad + \left( \frac{29966}{15} \ln 2 - \frac{13851}{20} \ln 3 + 242 \ln \left( \frac{e^{\gamma E \hat{s}}}{c \mathcal{L}^3} \right) \right) e^4 \\
 &\quad + \left( -\frac{116722}{15} \ln 2 + \frac{419661}{320} \ln 3 + \frac{1953125}{576} \ln 5 + \frac{1526}{3} \ln \left( \frac{e^{\gamma E \hat{s}}}{c \mathcal{L}^3} \right) \right) e^6 + \mathcal{O}(e^8).
 \end{aligned}$$

## MATCHING OF THE NONLOCAL PART OF THE HAMILTONIAN (6/6)

### Explicit form of $\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G})$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}) &:= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\ell \hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{II}}[\mathbf{r}', \mathbf{p}'] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\mathcal{L}^{10}} \left( a_{5,c}^{\text{II}} + a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} \ln(\mathcal{L}^2) + \frac{1}{4} \left( 20a_{5,c}^{\text{II}} - 9a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 2\bar{d}_{4,c}^{\text{II}} + 2(10a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + \bar{d}_{4,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}}) \ln(\mathcal{L}^2) \right) e^2 \right. \\
 &\quad + \left( \frac{1}{8} \left( 105a_{5,c}^{\text{II}} - \frac{319}{4}a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 15\bar{d}_{4,c}^{\text{II}} - \frac{11}{2}\bar{d}_{4,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 3q_{43,c}^{\text{II}} \right) + \frac{3}{8} (35a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 5\bar{d}_{4,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + q_{43,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}}) \ln(\mathcal{L}^2) \right) e^4 \\
 &\quad + \left( \frac{1}{192} \left( 5040a_{5,c}^{\text{II}} - 5018a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 840\bar{d}_{4,c}^{\text{II}} - 533\bar{d}_{4,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 252q_{43,c}^{\text{II}} - 78q_{43,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 60q_{62,c}^{\text{II}} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{16} \left( 420a_{5,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 70\bar{d}_{4,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 21q_{43,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} + 5q_{62,\text{ln}}^{\text{II}} \right) \ln(\mathcal{L}^2) \right) e^6 + \mathcal{O}(e^8) \Big).
 \end{aligned}$$

The matching equation

$$\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G}) = \hat{H}_{\text{real}}^{\text{nr II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G})$$

leads to *unique* values of the coefficient of  $\hat{H}_{\text{eff}}^{\text{II}}(\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{G})$ .

## THE REAL EOB-IMPROVED 4PN-ACCURATE HAMILTONIAN

- Results of the 4PN-accurate matching for energy map:

$$\alpha_1 = \frac{\nu}{2}, \quad \alpha_2 = 0, \quad \alpha_3 = 0, \quad \alpha_4 = 0.$$

- The energy map can be written as

$$\frac{H_{\text{eff}}}{\mu c^2} = \frac{H_{\text{real}}^2 - m_1^2 c^4 - m_2^2 c^4}{2m_1 m_2 c^4},$$

from this **the real EOB-improved 4PN-accurate Hamiltonian** follows:

$$H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB-improved}} = M c^2 \sqrt{1 + 2\nu \left( \frac{H_{\text{eff}}}{\mu c^2} - 1 \right)}.$$

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## RADIATION REACTION FOR QUASI-CIRCULAR MOTIONS (1/2)

- We restrict to the planar dynamics described by the local-in-time real EOB-improved 3PN-accurate Hamiltonian (we omit the primes in the canonical variables)  $H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB-improved}}(r, p_r, p_\phi)$ . It gives the following **conservative equations of motion**:

$$\dot{r} = \frac{\partial H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB-improved}}(r, p_r, p_\phi)}{\partial p_r},$$

$$\dot{\phi} = \frac{\partial H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB-improved}}(r, p_r, p_\phi)}{\partial p_\phi},$$

$$\dot{p}_r = -\frac{\partial H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB-improved}}(r, p_r, p_\phi)}{\partial r},$$

$$\dot{p}_\phi = 0.$$

## RADIATION REACTION FOR QUASI-CIRCULAR MOTIONS (2/2)

- For **quasi-circular motions** ( $|r| \ll r\dot{\phi}$ ) it is enough, too a good approximation, to add only the  $\phi$  component of the damping force, what modifies the equation for  $\dot{p}_\phi$ ,

$$\dot{p}_\phi = \mathcal{F}_\phi.$$

- As  $\dot{p}_\phi$  is just the total angular momentum of the binary system, the above equation expresses the rate of loss of angular momentum under gravitational radiation reaction.

In the case of quasi-circular orbits there is a simple relation between angular momentum loss  $-\mathcal{F}_\phi(\dot{\phi})$  and energy loss  $\mathcal{L}(\dot{\phi})$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(\dot{\phi}) = -\dot{\phi}\mathcal{F}_\phi(\dot{\phi}).$$

Finally,

$$\dot{p}_\phi = -\frac{1}{\dot{\phi}}\mathcal{L}(\dot{\phi}).$$

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## PADÉ APPROXIMANTS

Padé approximant of  $(k, l)$ -type (with  $k + l = n$ ) for series  $w(x) = c_0 + c_1 x + \cdots + c_n x^n$  (with  $c_0 \neq 0$ ):

$$P_l^k(w(x)) := \frac{N_k(x)}{D_l(x)},$$

where the **polynomials**  $N_k$  (of degree  $k$ ) and  $D_l$  (of degree  $l$ ) are such that the Taylor expansion of  $P_l^k(w(x))$  coincides with  $w(x)$  up to  $\mathcal{O}(x^{n+1})$  terms:

$$\frac{N_k(x)}{D_l(x)} = c_0 + c_1 x + \cdots + c_n x^n + \mathcal{O}(x^{n+1}).$$

## LAST (INNERMOST) STABLE CIRCULAR ORBIT

- The reduced angular momentum of the system in the center-of-mass reference frame:

$$j := \frac{\mathcal{J}}{Gm_1 m_2}.$$

- In the **test-mass limit** and along **circular orbits**:

$$j(x; \nu = 0) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x(1-3x)}}, \quad x := \frac{1}{c^2} (GM\dot{\phi})^{2/3}.$$

the pole  $x = 1/3$  corresponds to **light ring** (the last unstable circular orbit).

- In the test-mass limit ( $\nu = 0$ ) LSCO is for  $x = 1/6$ , which is the minimum of the function  $j^2(x; 0)$ .  
For  $\nu \neq 0$  one **defines** the location of the LSCO as the minimum of the function  $j^2(x; \nu)$ .

## LAST (INNERMOST) STABLE CIRCULAR ORBIT FOR $\nu \neq 0$

4PN-accurate PN computations give

$$j^2(x; \nu) = \frac{1}{x} \left( 1 + \left( 3 + \frac{1}{3} \nu \right) x + j_2(\nu) x^2 + j_3(\nu) x^3 + (j_{41}(\nu) + j_{42}(\nu) \ln x) x^4 \right).$$

One constructs the sequence of Padé approximants of  $j^2(x; \nu)$ :

$$j_{\mathcal{P}_1^2}^2(x; \nu) := \frac{1}{x} \mathcal{P}_1^0 \left[ 1 + \left( 3 + \frac{1}{3} \nu \right) x \right] = \frac{1}{x \left( 1 - \left( 3 + \frac{1}{3} \nu \right) x \right)},$$

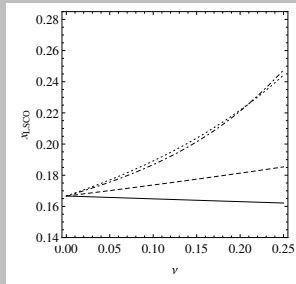
$$j_{\mathcal{P}_2^2}^2(x; \nu) := \frac{1}{x} \mathcal{P}_1^1 \left[ 1 + \left( 3 + \frac{1}{3} \nu \right) x + j_2(\nu) x^2 \right],$$

$$j_{\mathcal{P}_3^2}^2(x; \nu) := \frac{1}{x} \mathcal{P}_1^2 \left[ 1 + \left( 3 + \frac{1}{3} \nu \right) x + j_2(\nu) x^2 + j_3(\nu) x^3 \right],$$

$$j_{\mathcal{P}_4^2}^2(x; \nu) := \frac{1}{x} \left( \mathcal{P}_1^3 \left[ 1 + \left( 3 + \frac{1}{3} \nu \right) x + j_2(\nu) x^2 + j_3(\nu) x^3 + j_{41}(\nu) x^4 \right] + j_{42}(\nu) x^4 \ln x \right).$$

At all PN levels the test-mass result is recovered exactly:

$$\lim_{\nu \rightarrow 0} j_{\mathcal{P}_n^2}^2(x; \nu) = \frac{1}{x(1-3x)} \quad \text{for } n = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$



## PADÉ-IMPROVED EOB POTENTIAL $A(u; \nu)$

The EOB potential  $A(u; \nu) = -g_{00}^{\text{eff}}(u; \nu)$  (with  $u := 1/r'$ ) has the following 4PN-accurate Taylor expansion:

$$A(u; \nu) = 1 - 2u + 2\nu u^3 + a_4(\nu)u^4 + (a_{51}(\nu) + a_{52}(\nu) \ln u)u^5 + \mathcal{O}(u^6).$$

By **continuity with the test-mass case  $\nu \rightarrow 0$** , one expects that  $A(u; \nu)$  will exhibit a simple zero defining an EOB “effective horizon” that is smoothly connected, when  $\nu \rightarrow 0$ , to the Schwarzschild event horizon at  $u = 1/2$ .

Therefore it is reasonable to factor a zero of  $A(u; \nu)$  by introducing the Padé-improved  $A_{P_4}(u; \nu)$  defined at the 4PN level as

$$A_{P_4}(u; \nu) := P_4^1 [1 - 2u + 2\nu u^3 + a_4(\nu)u^4 + (a_{51}(\nu) + a_{52}(\nu) \ln u)u^5].$$

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## SYNERGY BETWEEN EOB FORMALISM AND NUMERICAL RELATIVITY

Select sample of NR waveforms



Introduce EOB flexibility parameters  
and calibrate them to NR waveforms



Define NR-improved EOB waveforms  
(used in analysis of LIGO/Virgo data)

FLEXIBILITY PARAMETERS IN THE EOB POTENTIAL  $A(u; \nu)$   
(FOR NONSPINNING BH/BH SYSTEMS)

Instead of using the 4PN-accurate truncated Taylor expansion  
(maybe in Padé-improved form),

$$A^{4\text{PN}}(u; \nu) = 1 - 2u + 2\nu u^3 + a_4(\nu)u^4 + (a_{51}(\nu) + a_{52}(\nu) \ln u)u^5,$$

one considers (maybe in Padé-improved form) 3-parameter class of  
extensions of  $A^{4\text{PN}}(u; \nu)$  defined by

$$A(u; \nu, b_{61}, b_{62}, b_{63}) := A^{4\text{PN}}(u; \nu) + \nu(b_{61} + b_{62}\nu + b_{63}\nu^2)u^6 + a_{62}(\nu)u^6 \ln u.$$

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