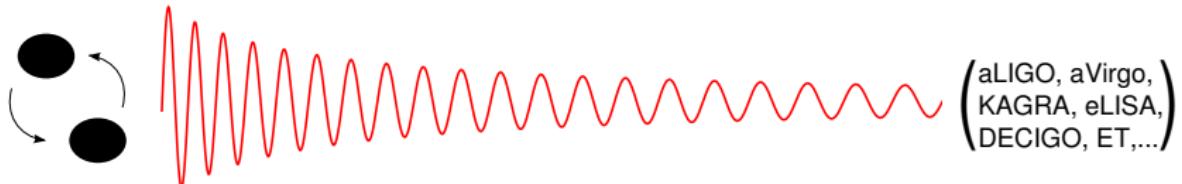


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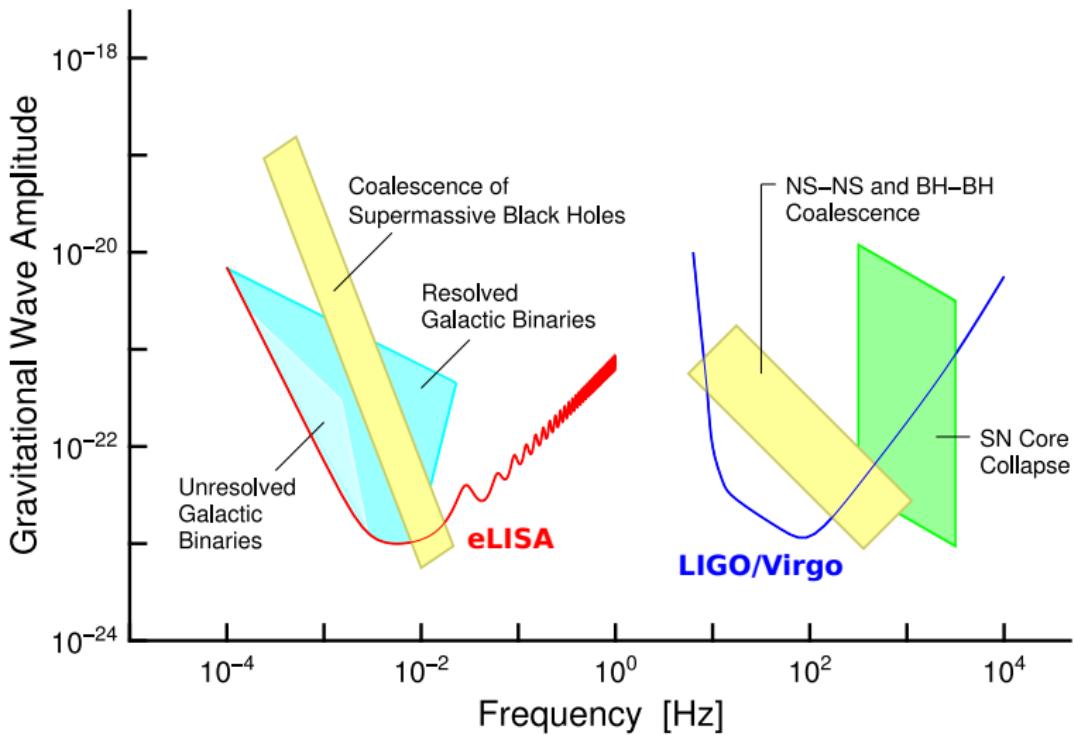
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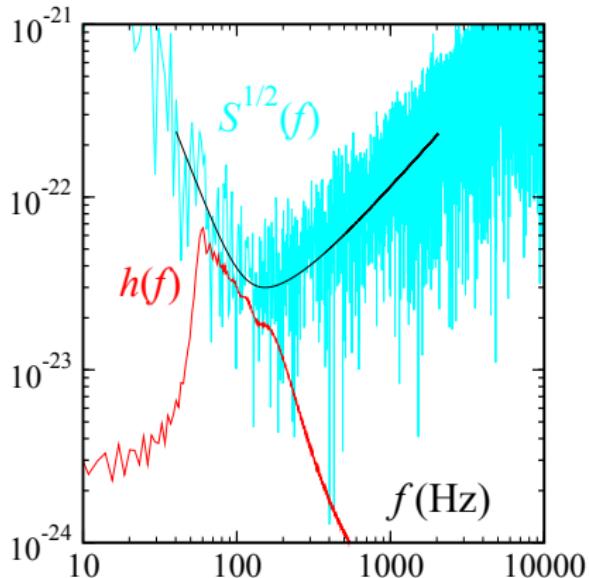
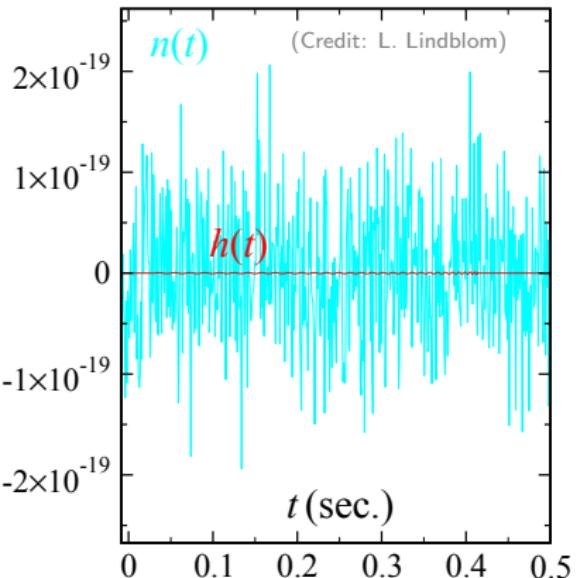
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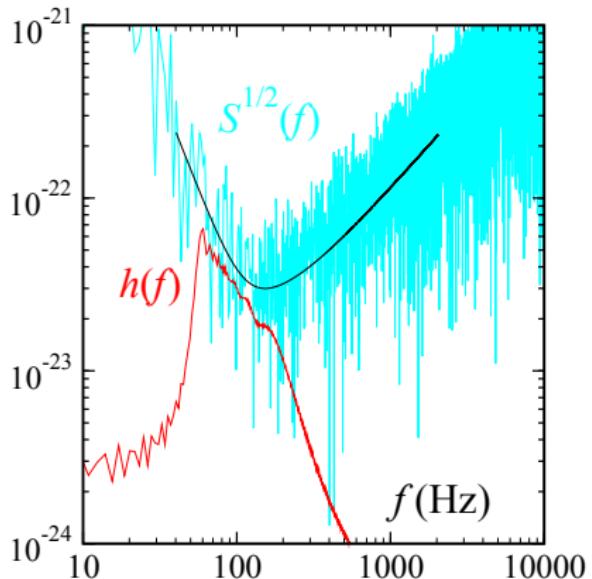
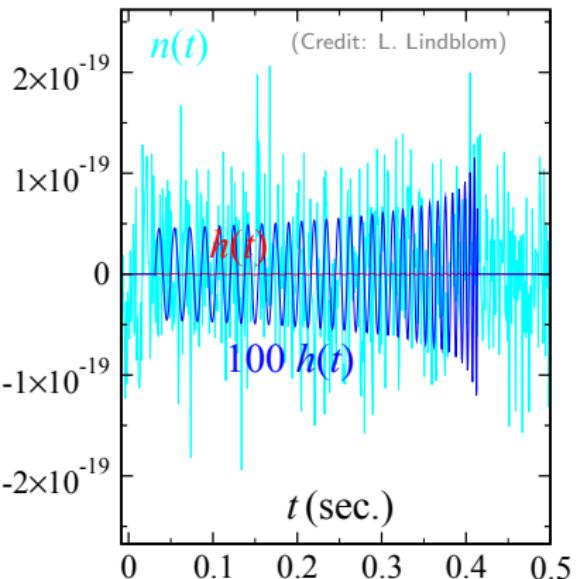
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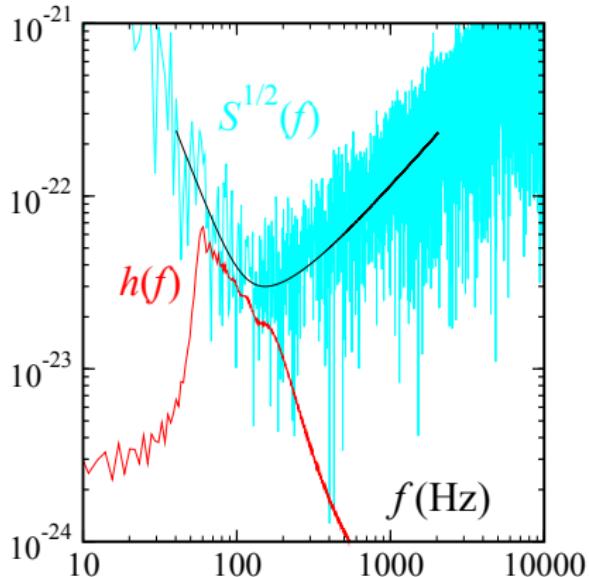
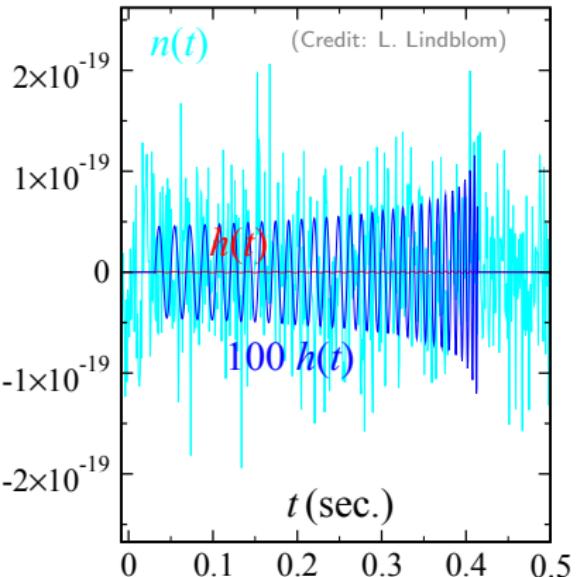
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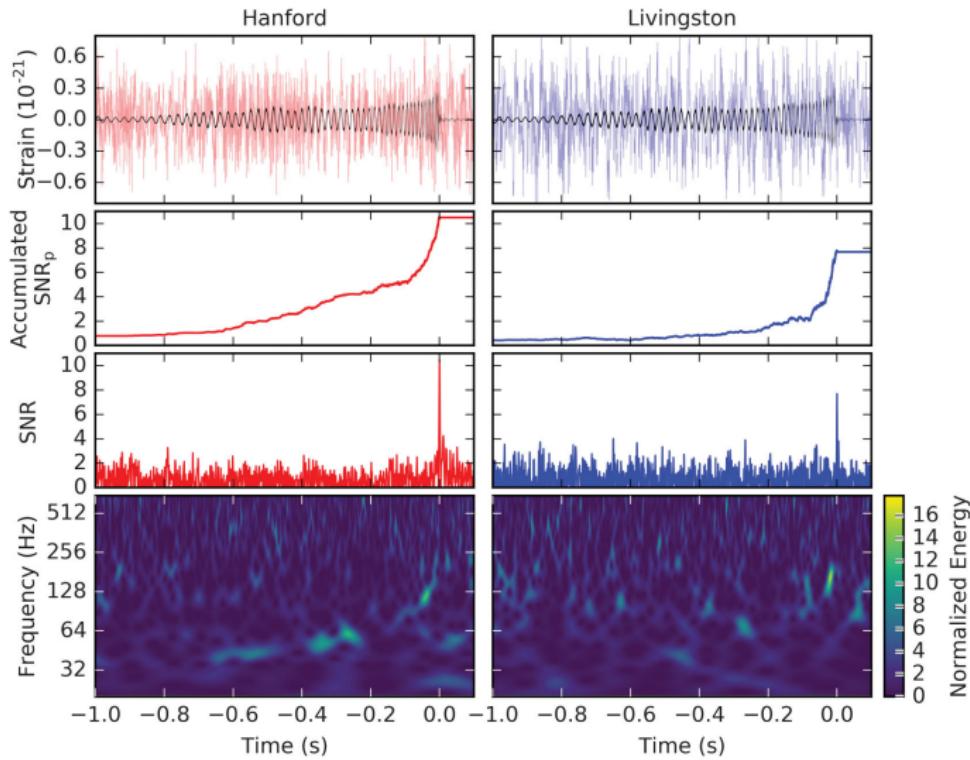


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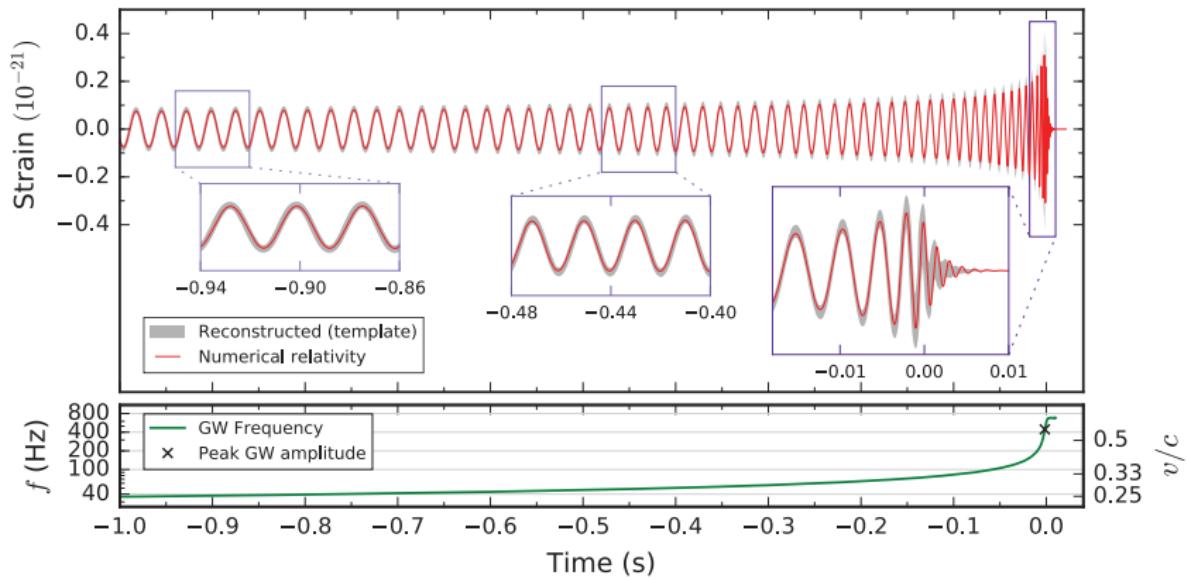


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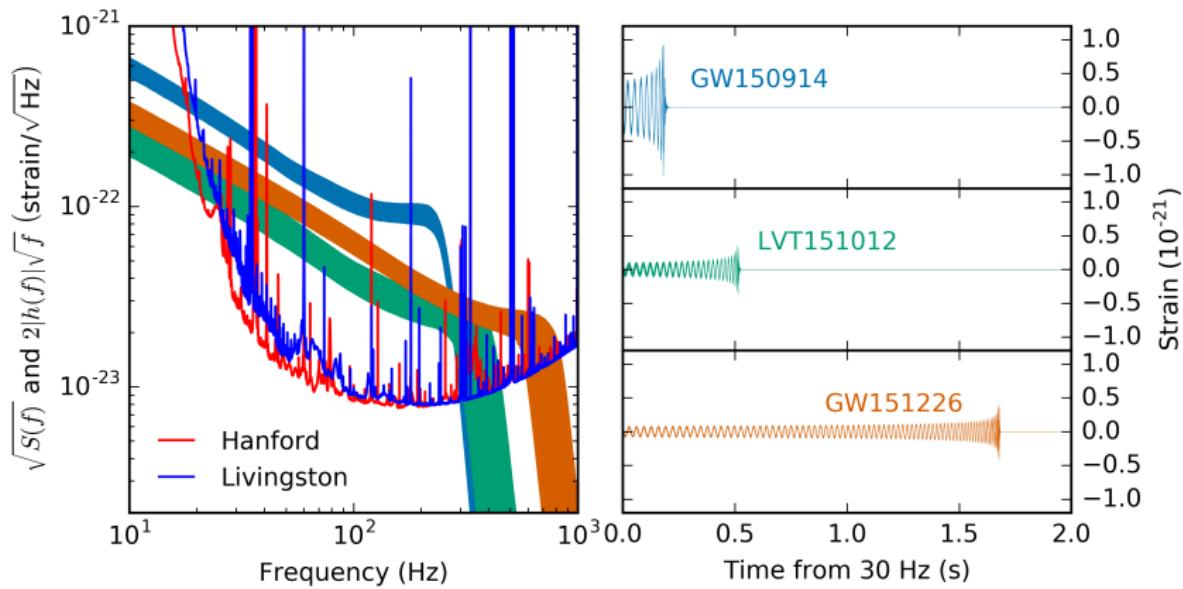
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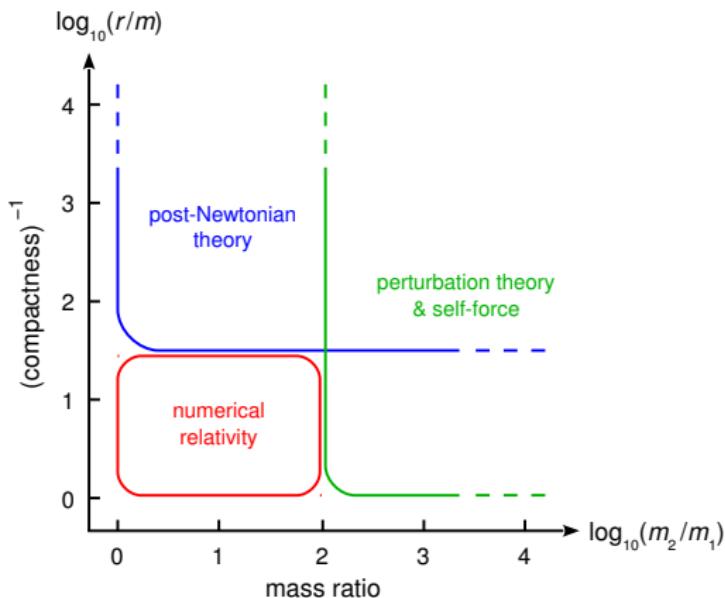
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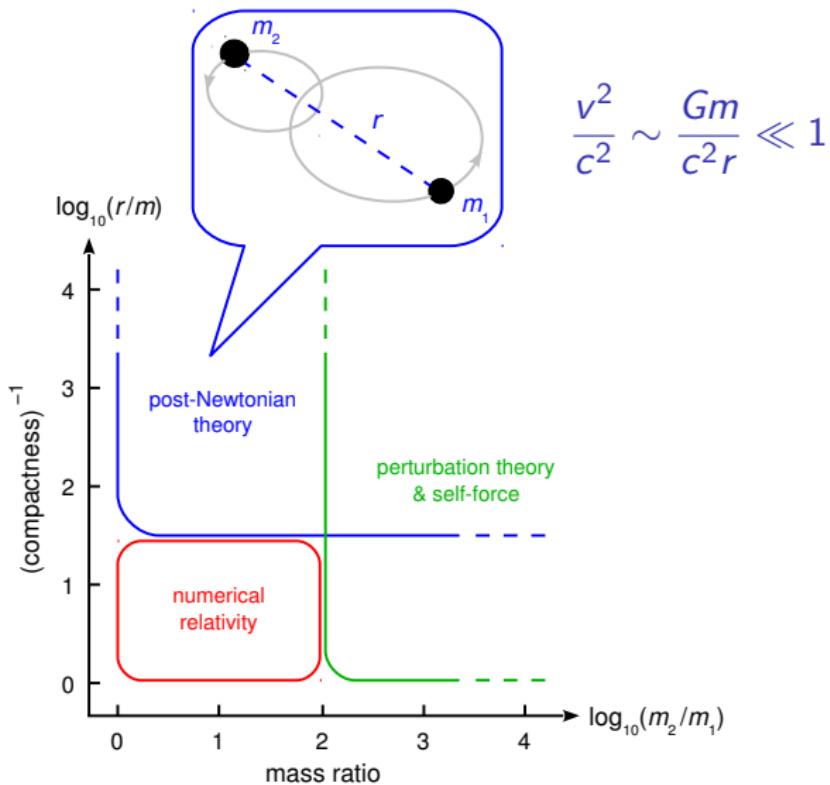
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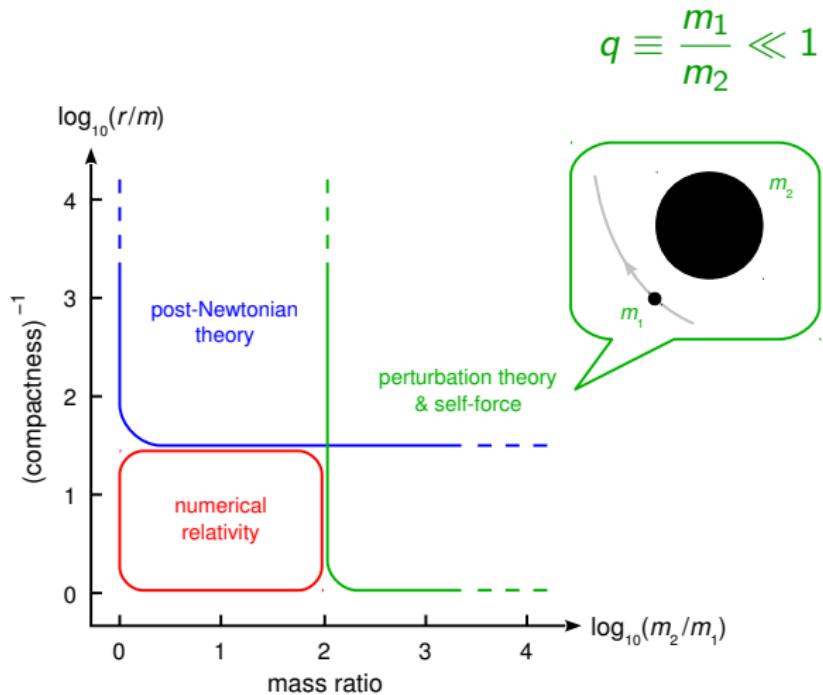
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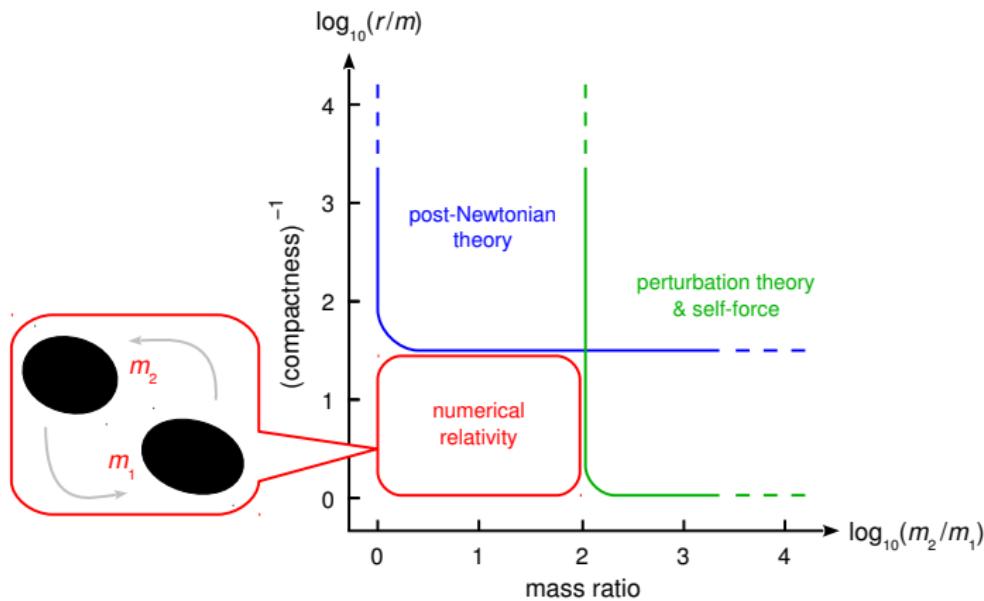
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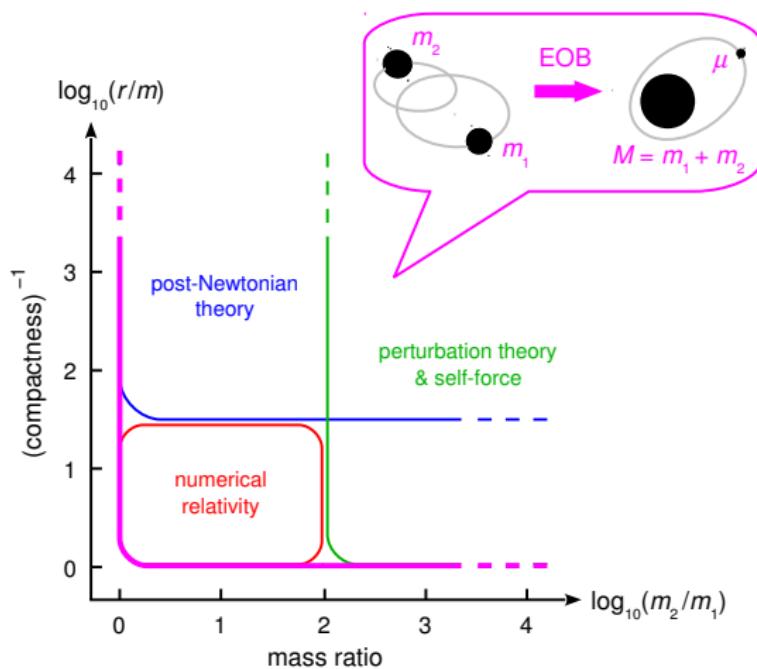
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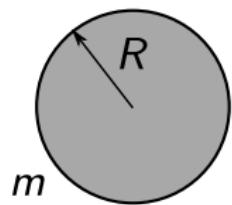
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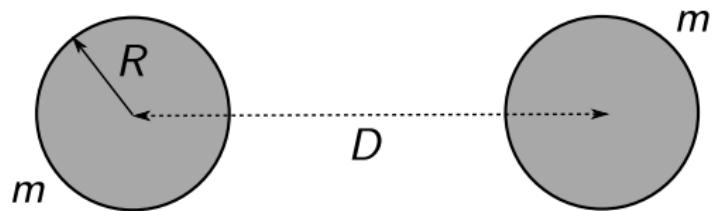
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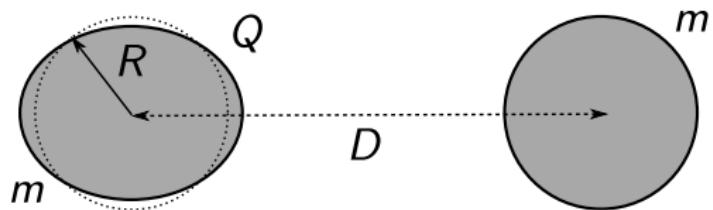
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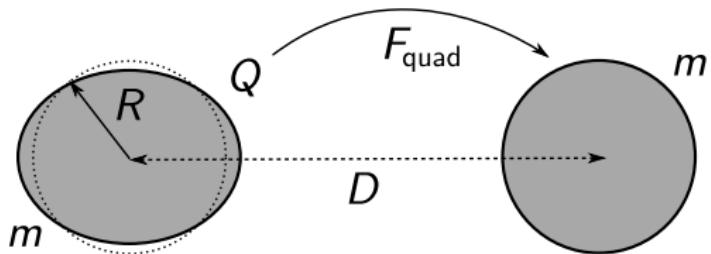


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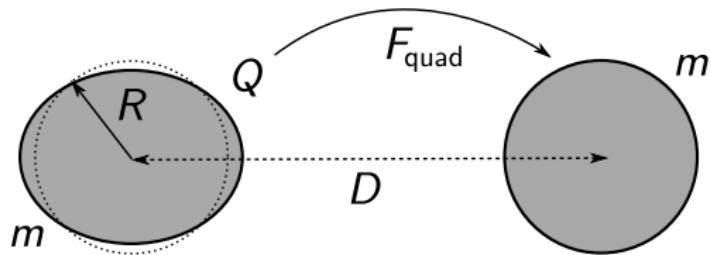
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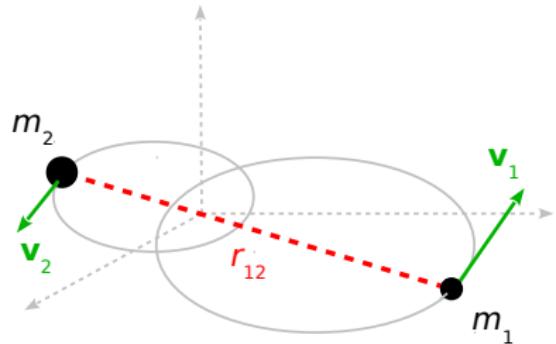
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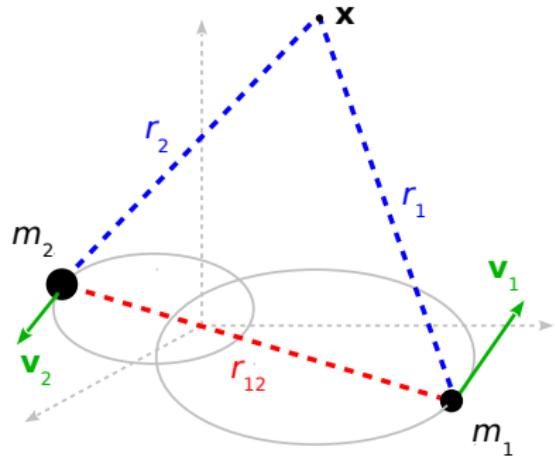
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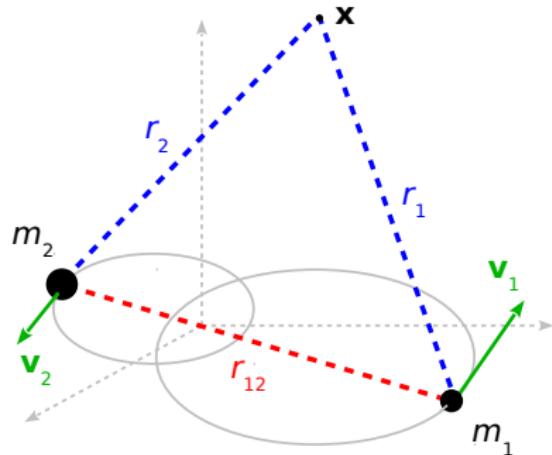
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Notation

nPN order refers to effects $\mathcal{O}(c^{-2n})$ with respect to “Newtonian” solution

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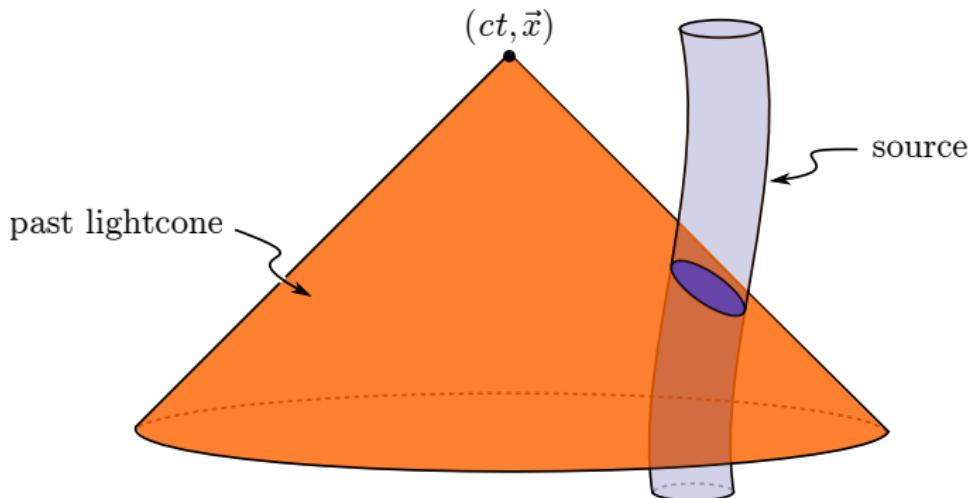
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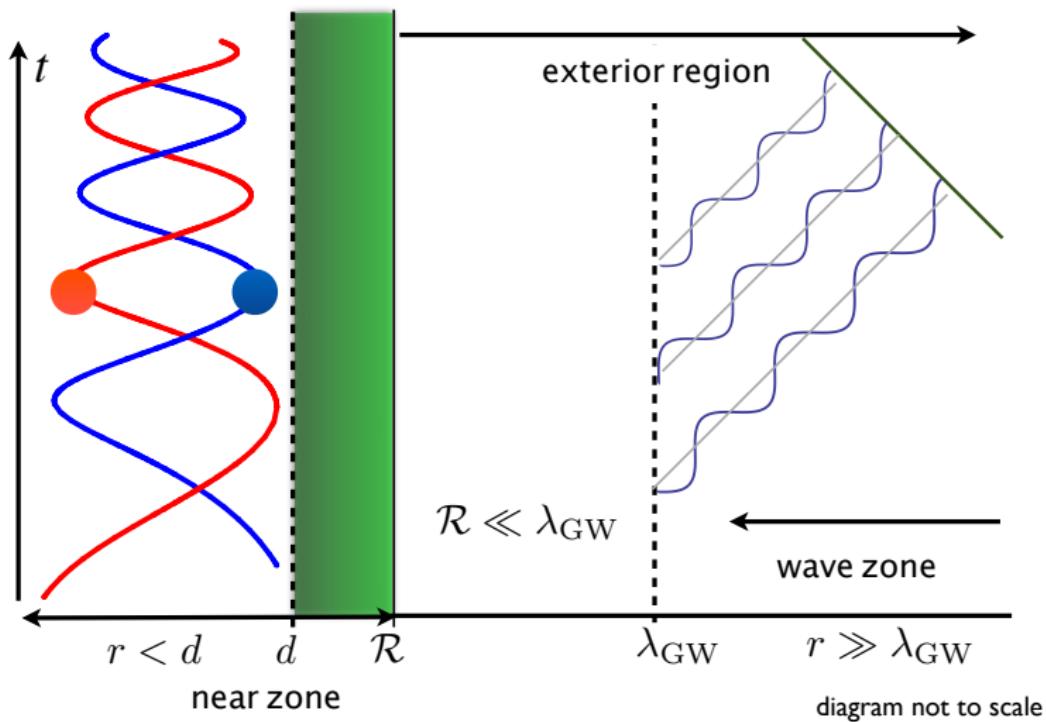
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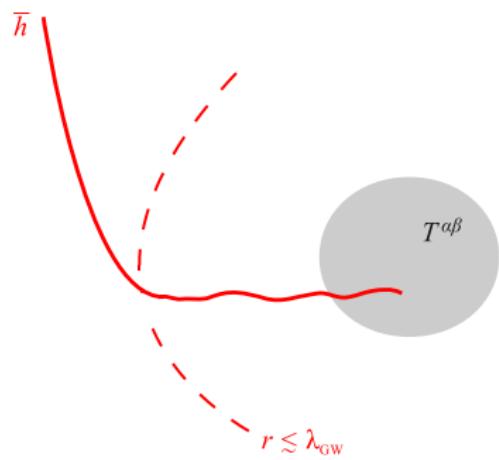


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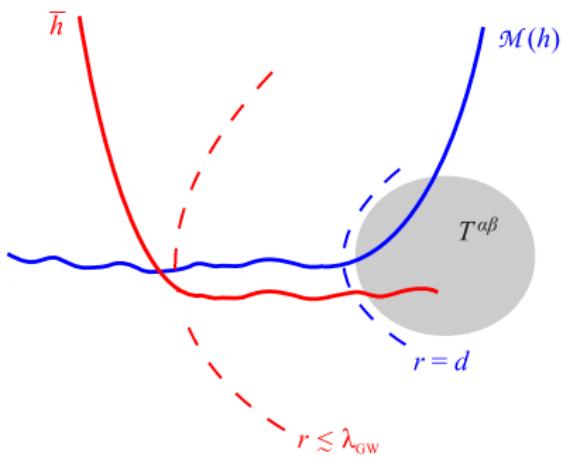
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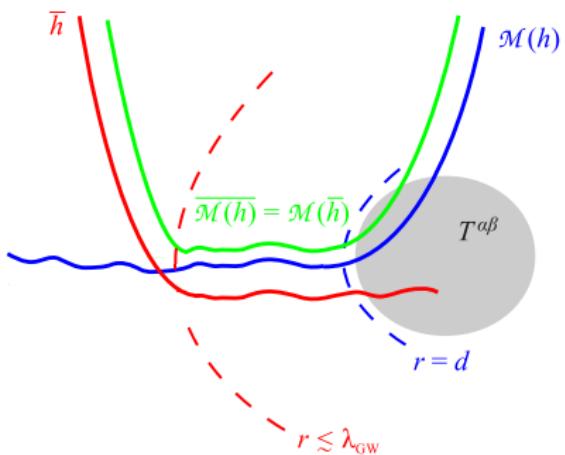
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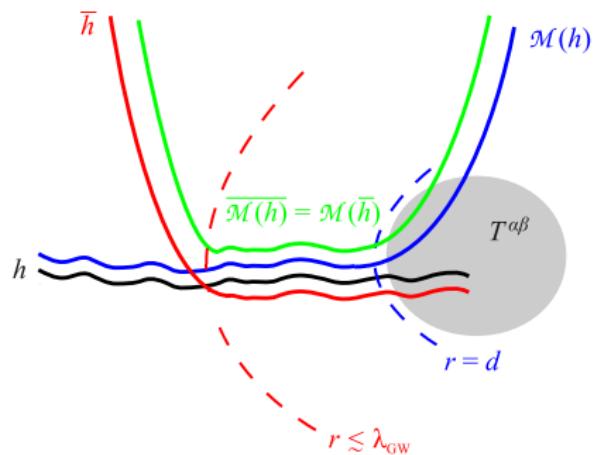
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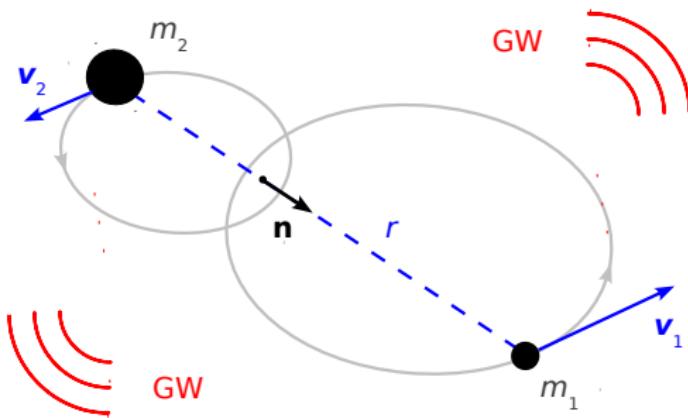
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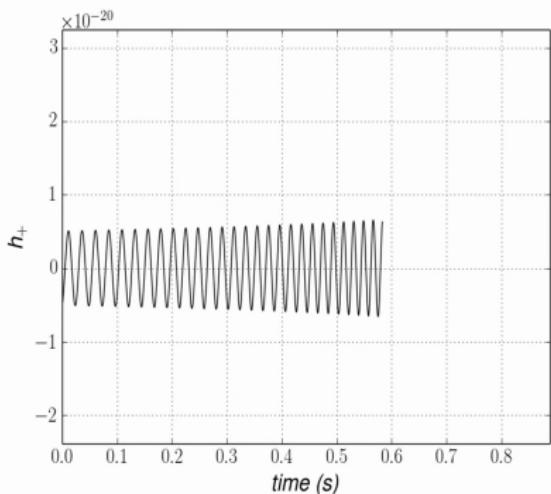
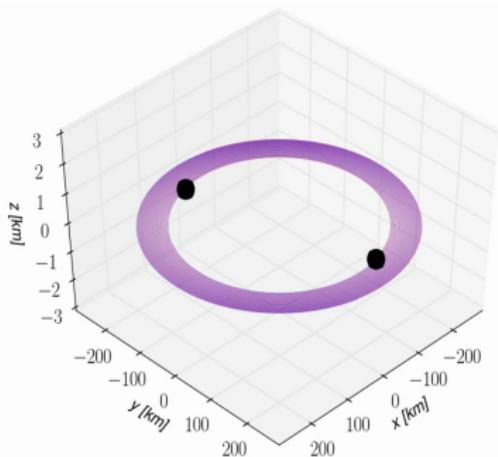
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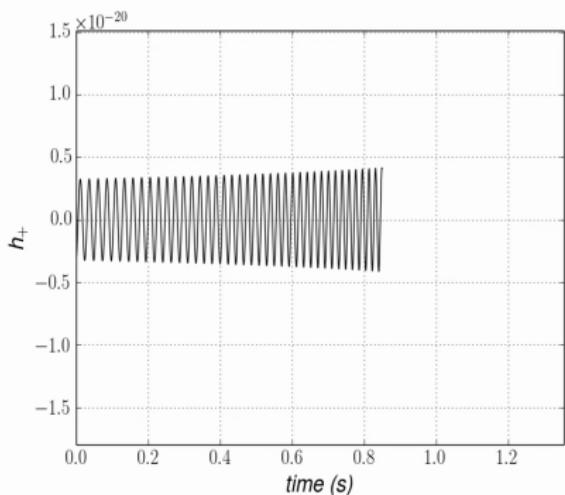
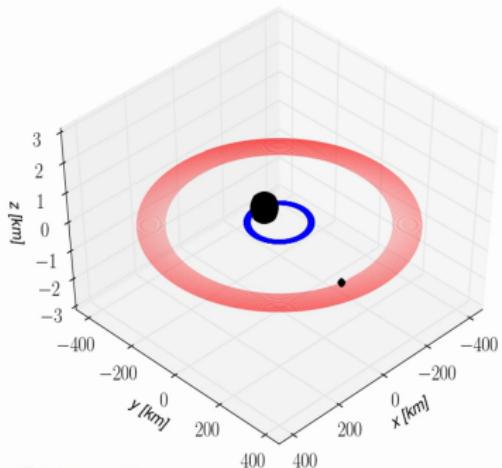
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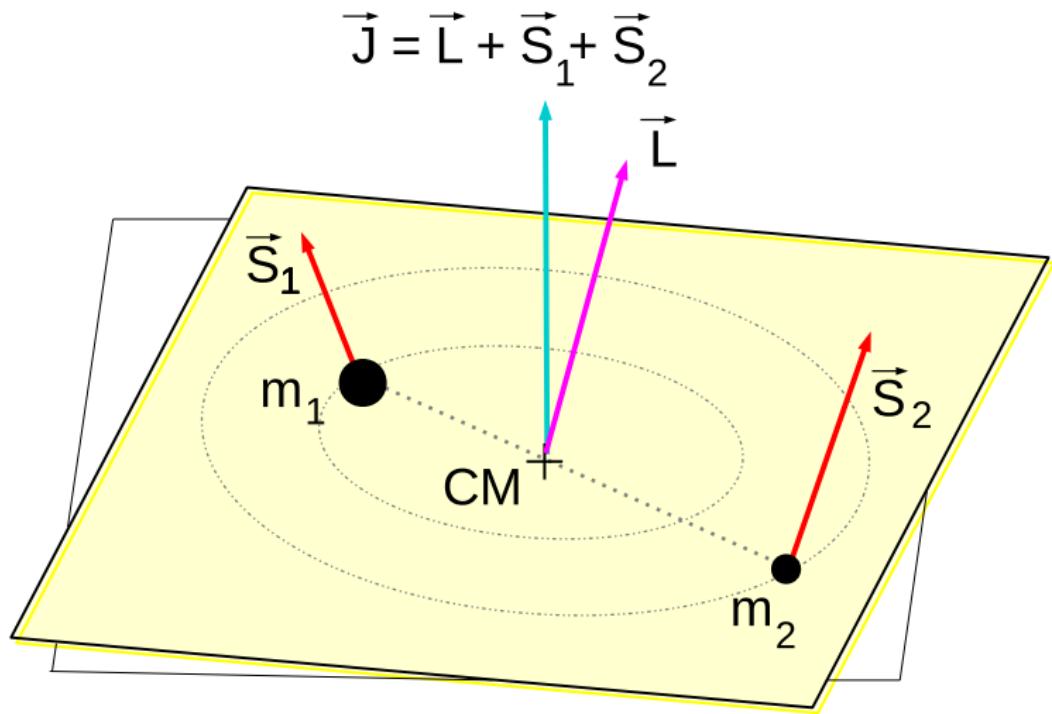


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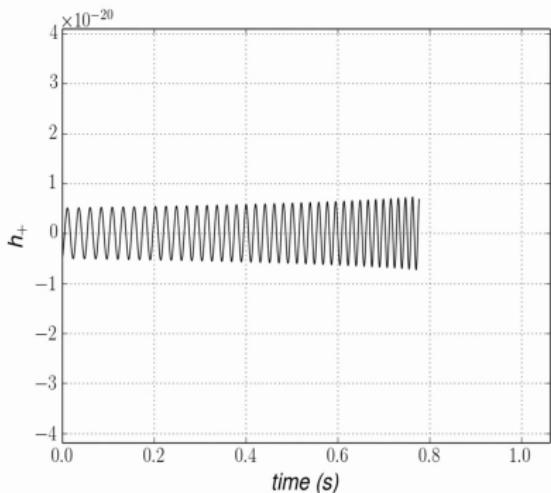
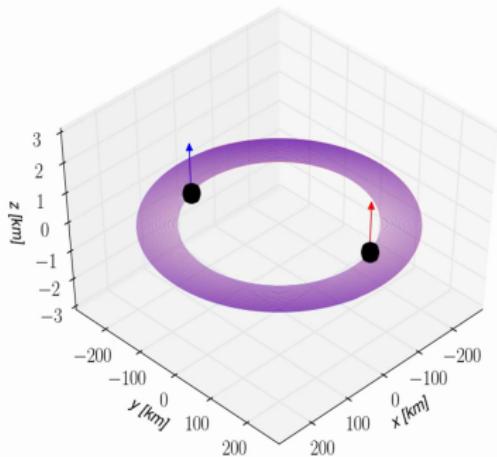
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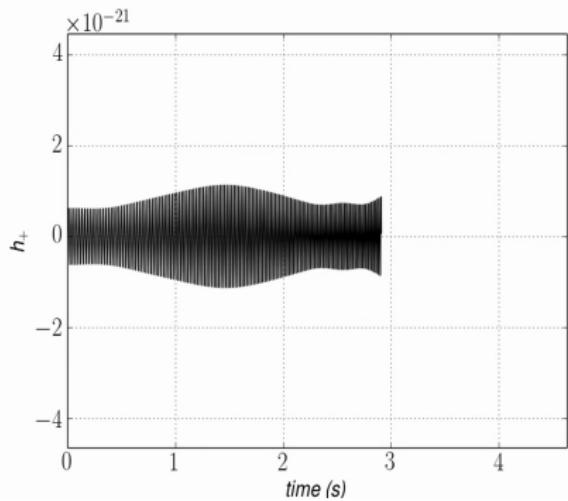
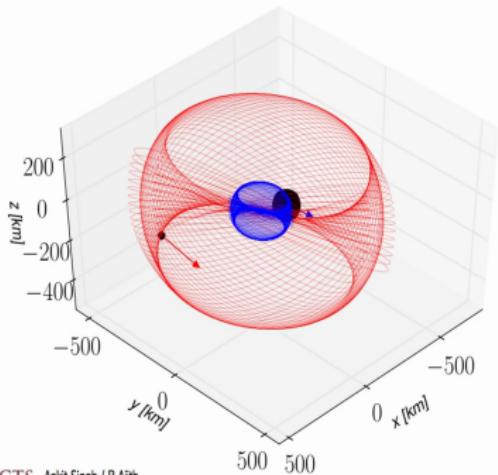
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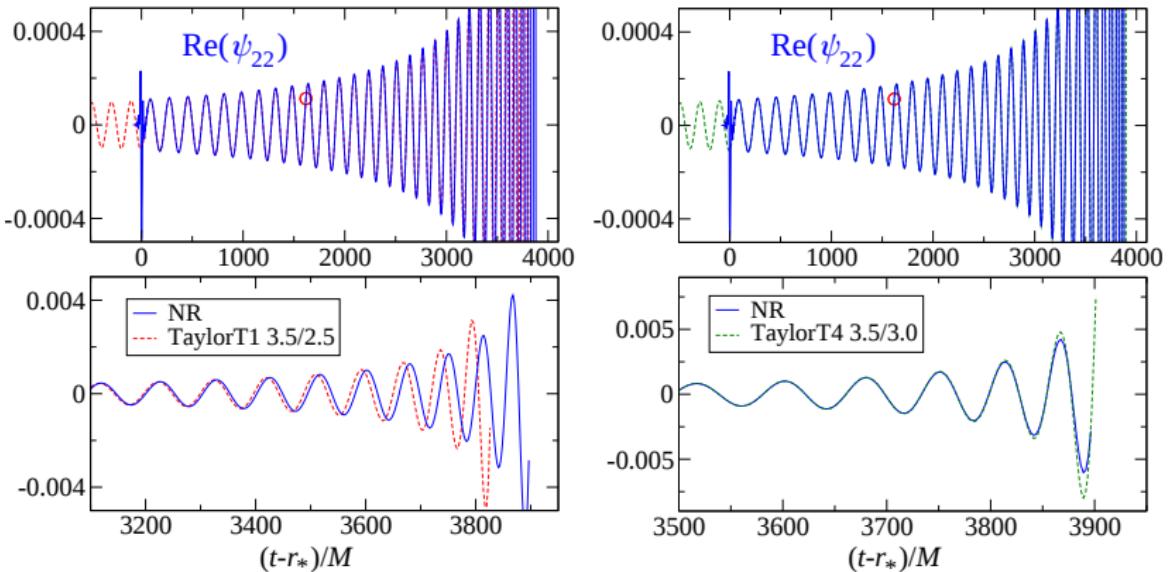


State of the art

	Spinless	Spin-Orbit	Spin-Squared	Tidal
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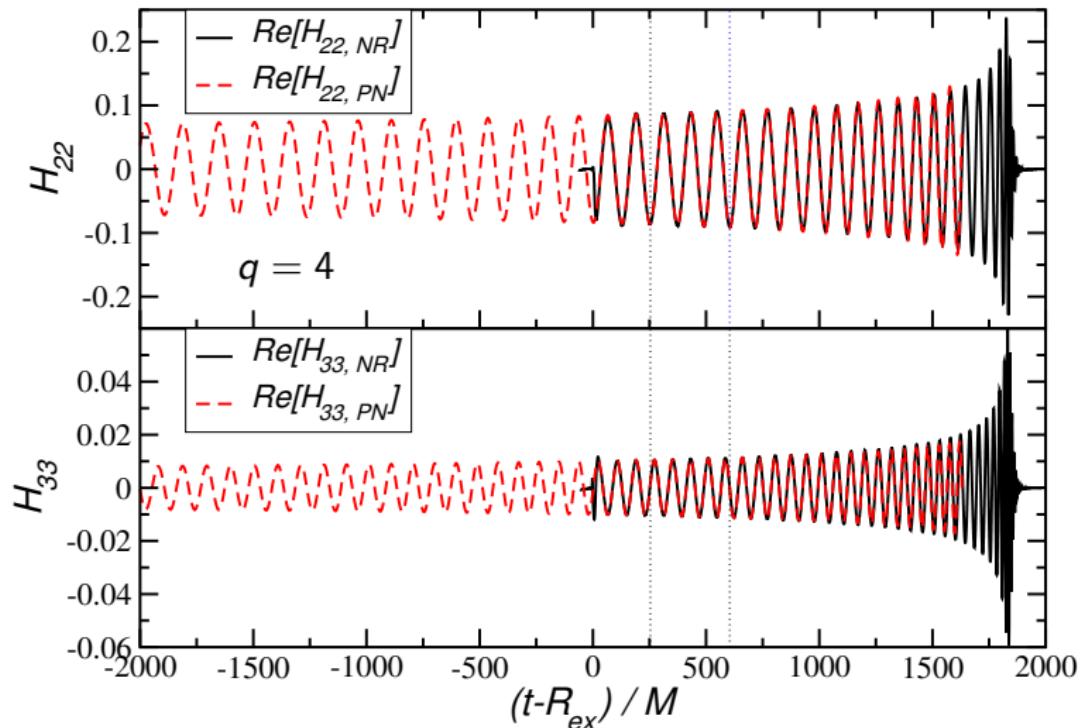
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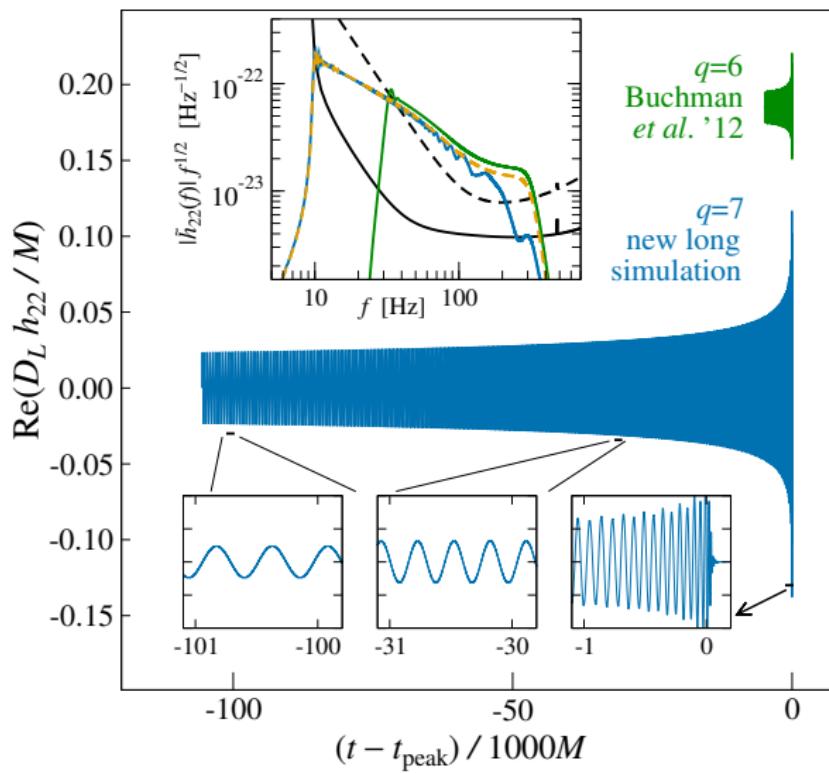
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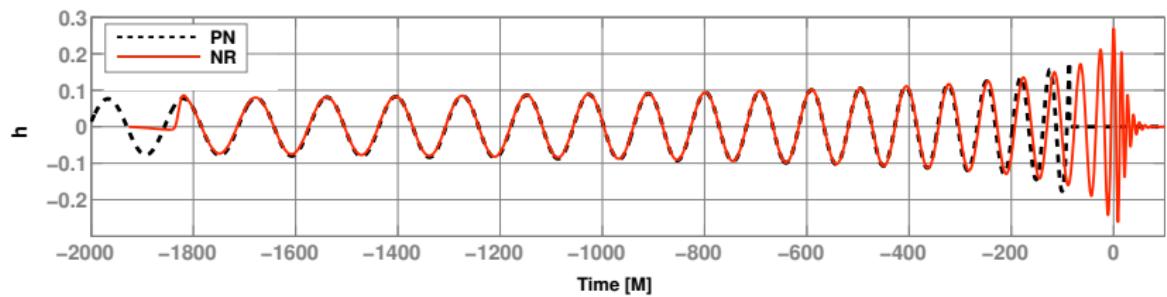


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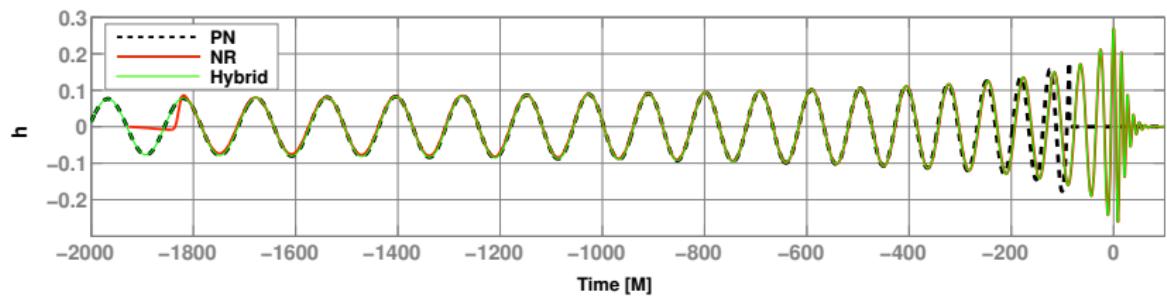
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Further reading

Review articles

- *Gravitational radiation from post-Newtonian sources...*
L. Blanchet, Living Rev. Rel. **17**, 2 (2014)
- *Post-Newtonian methods: Analytic results on the binary problem*
G. Schäfer, in *Mass and motion in general relativity*
Edited by L. Blanchet et al., Springer (2011)
- *The post-Newtonian approximation for relativistic compact binaries*
T. Futamase and Y. Itoh, Living Rev. Rel. **10**, 2 (2007)

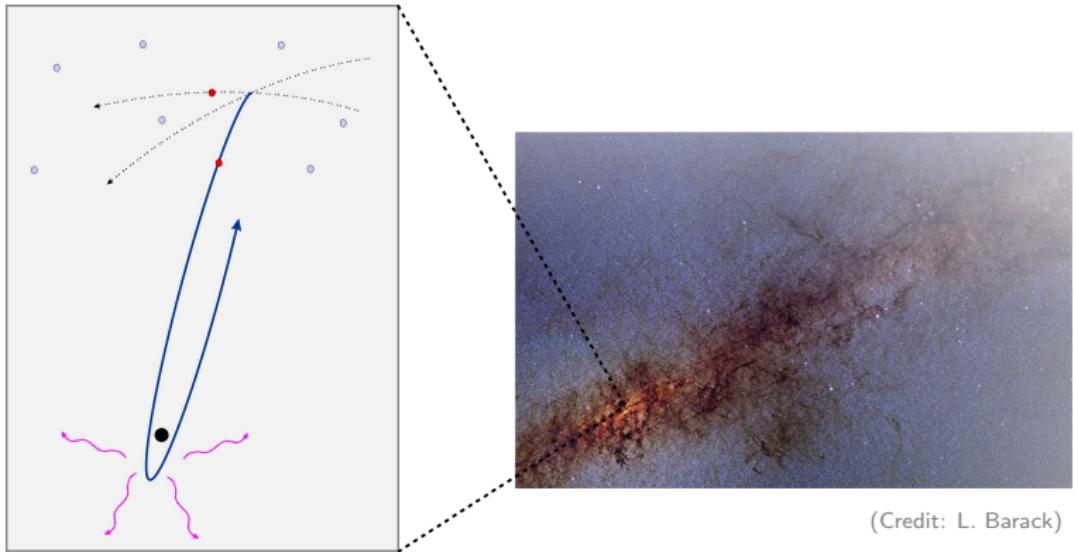
Topical books

- *Gravity: Newtonian, post-Newtonian, relativistic*
E. Poisson and C. M. Will, Cambridge University Press (2015)
- *Gravitational waves: Theory and experiments*
M. Maggiore, Oxford University Press (2007)

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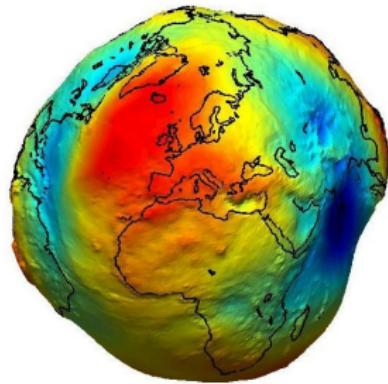
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Extreme mass ratio inspirals (EMRIs)

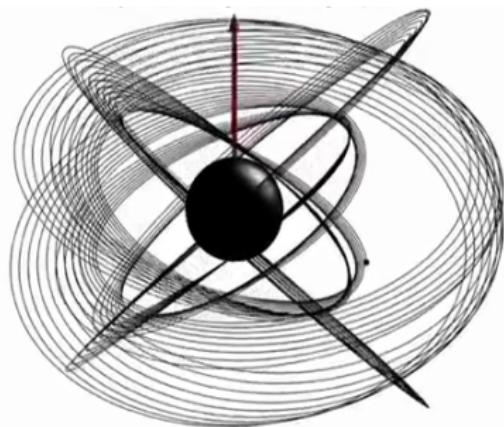
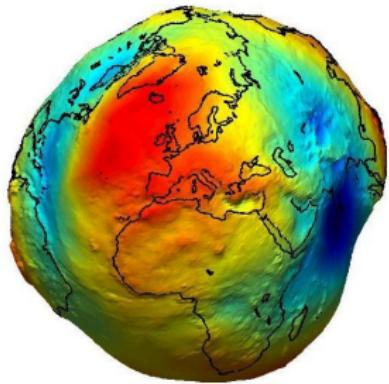


- eLISA sensitive to $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^5 - 10^7 M_{\odot} \rightarrow q \sim 10^{-7} - 10^{-4}$
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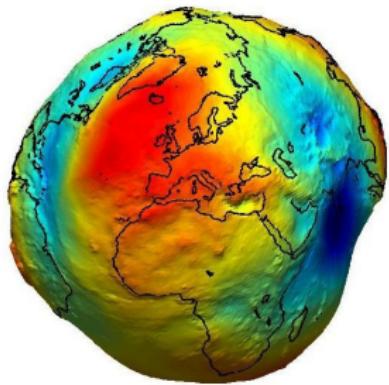


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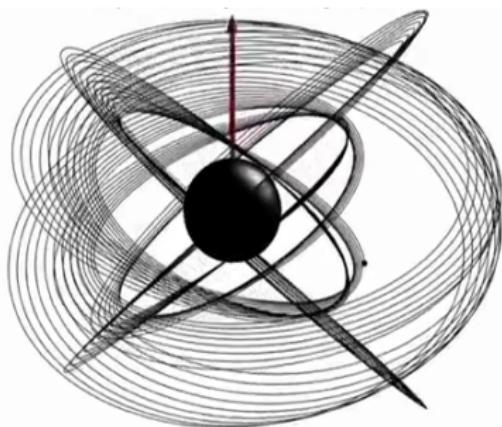


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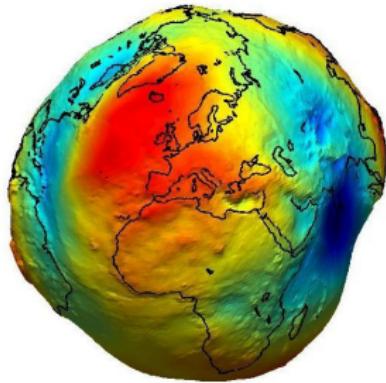


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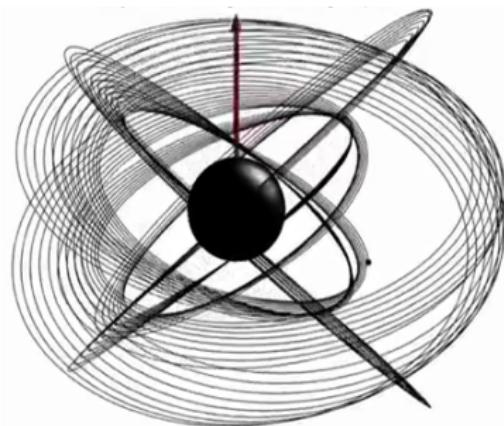


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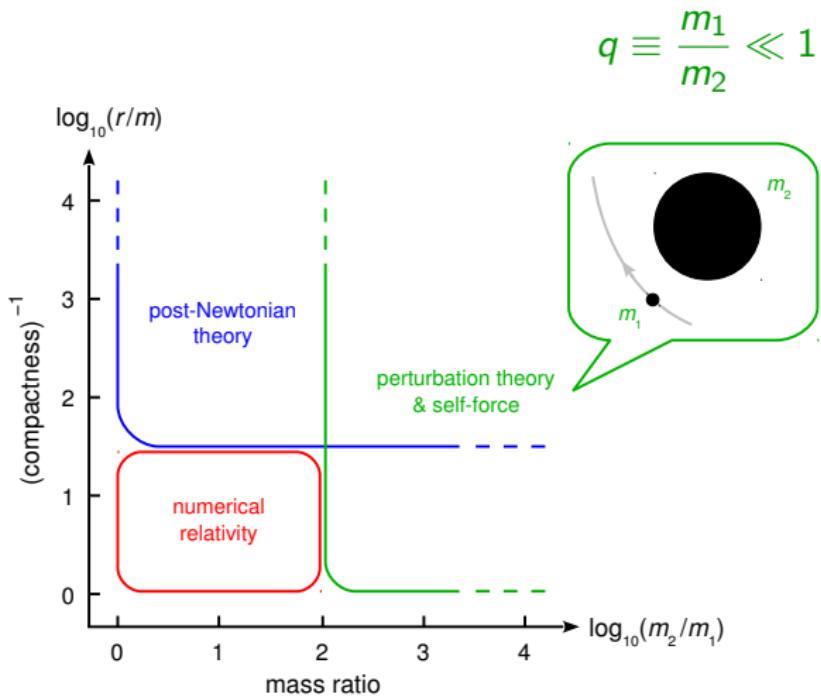
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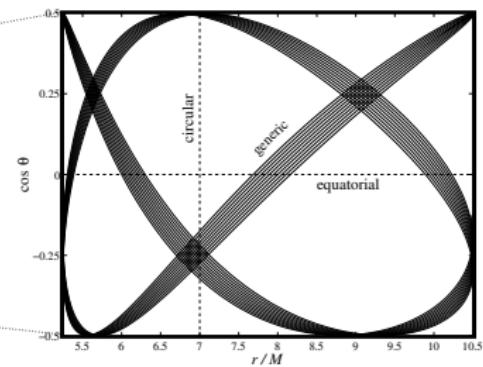
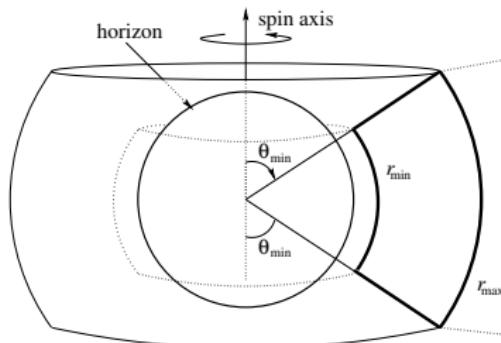
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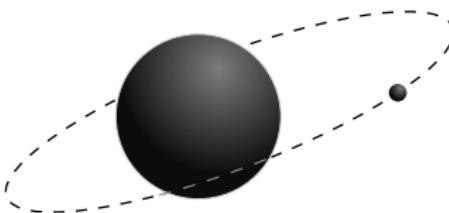
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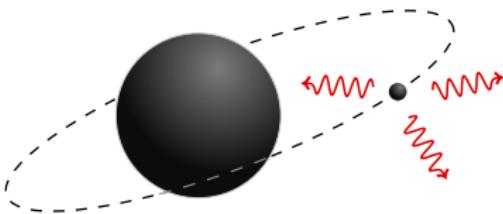
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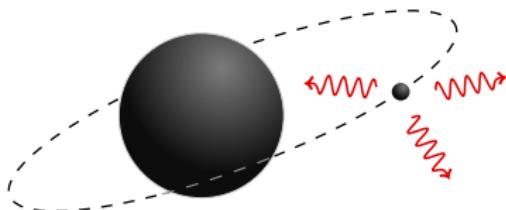
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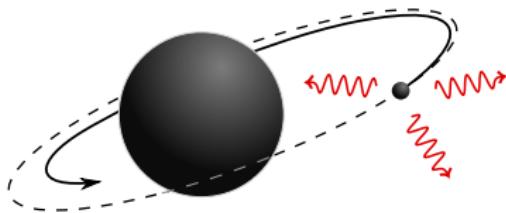


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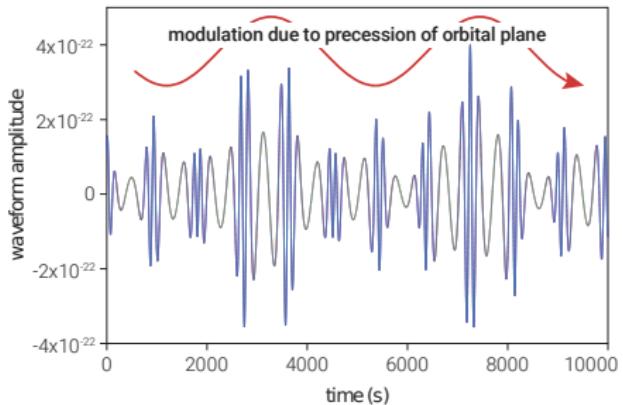
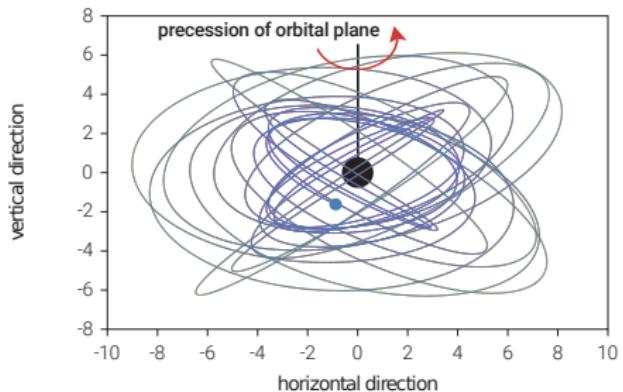


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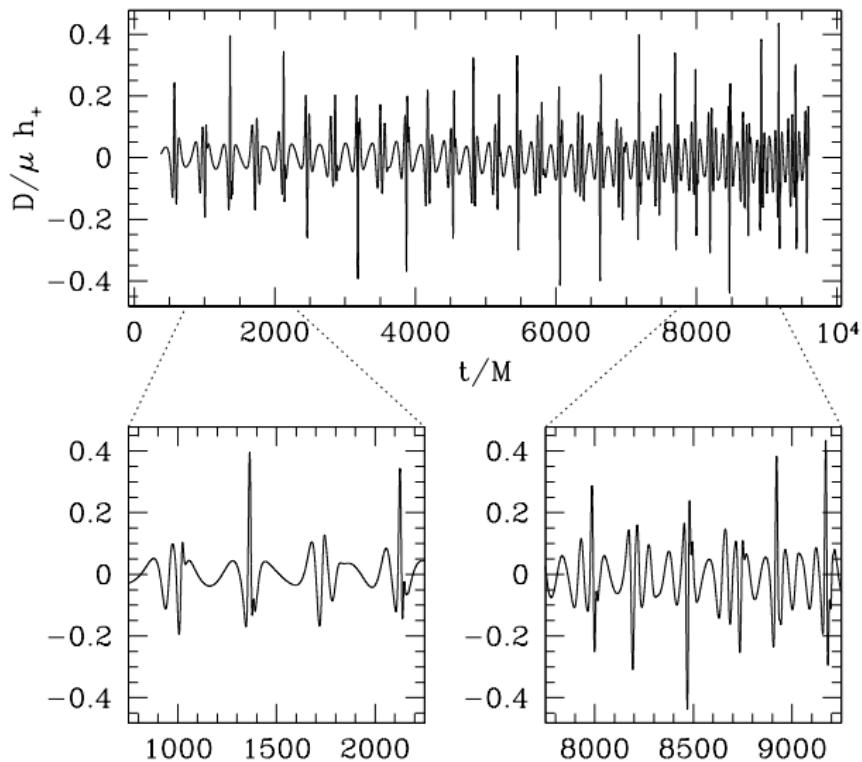
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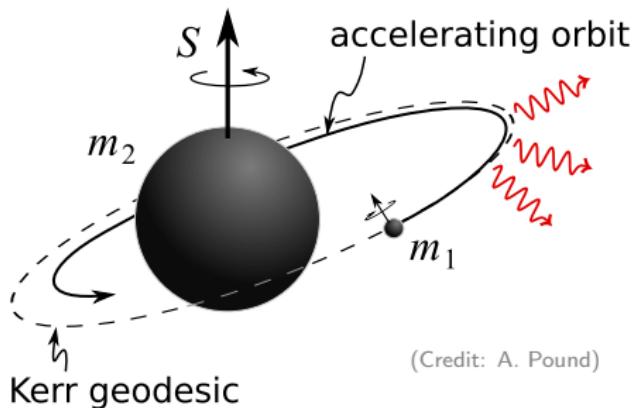
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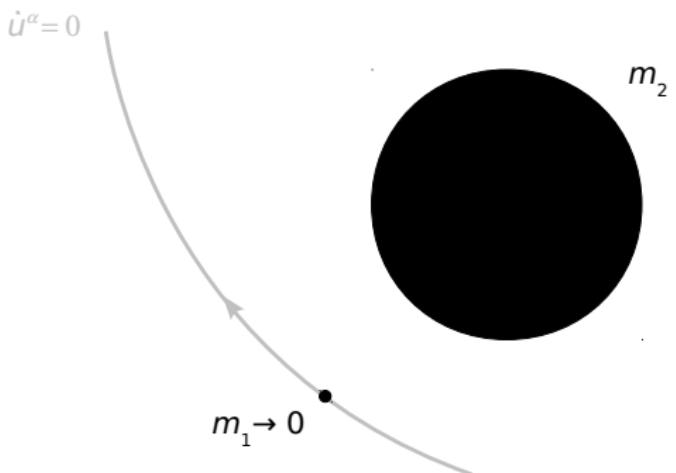


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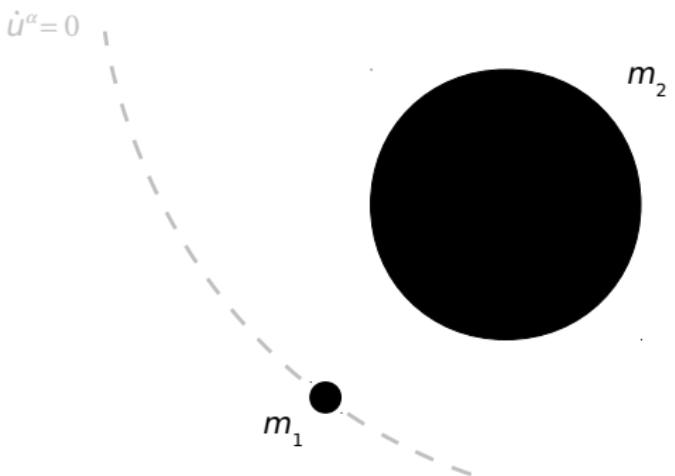
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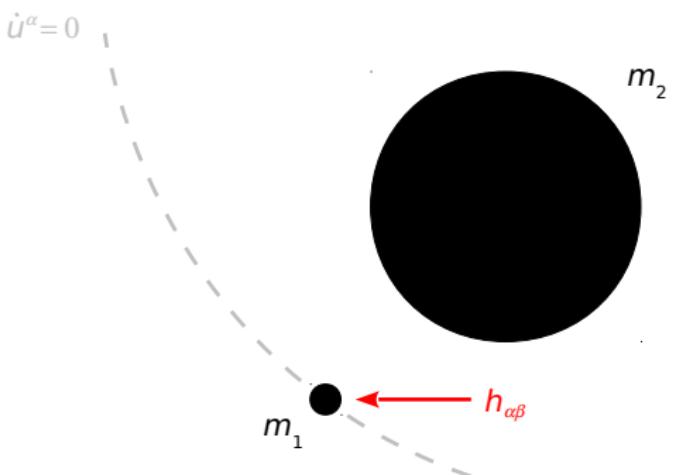
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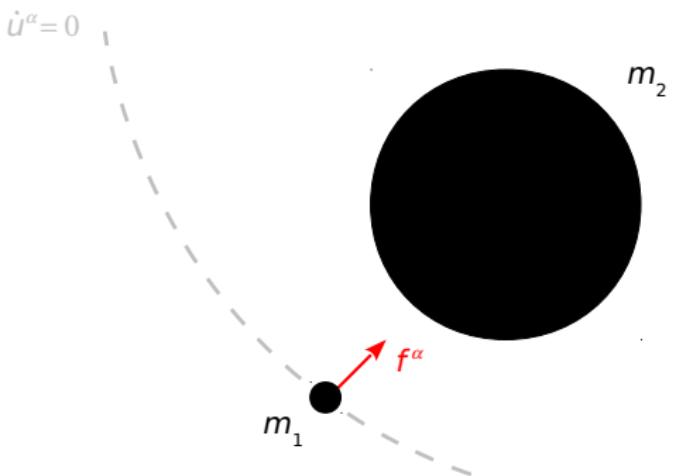
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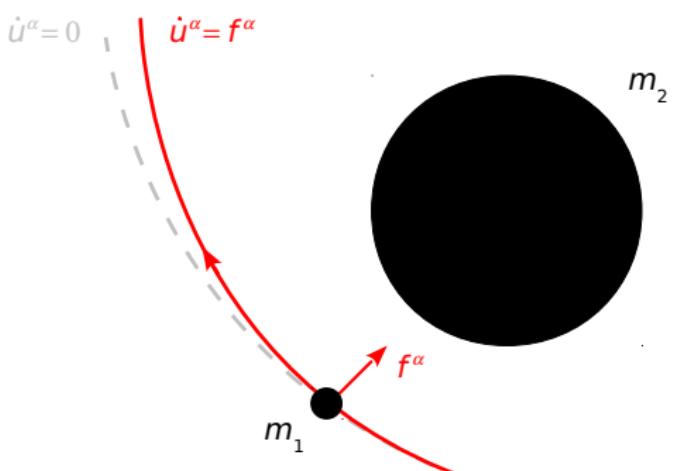
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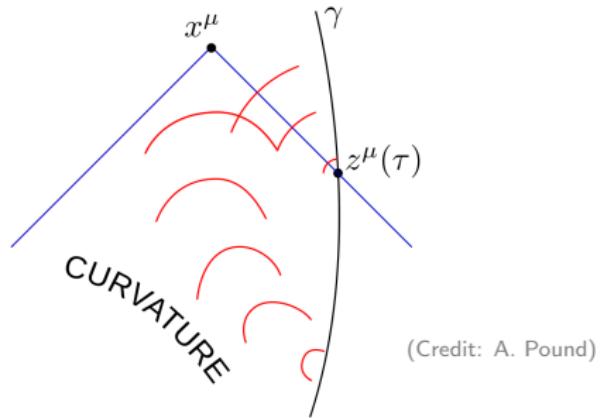
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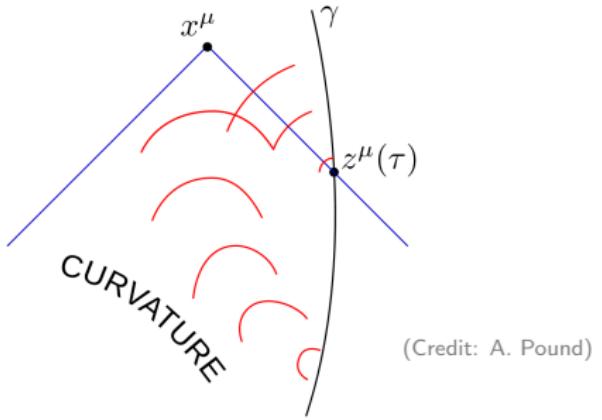


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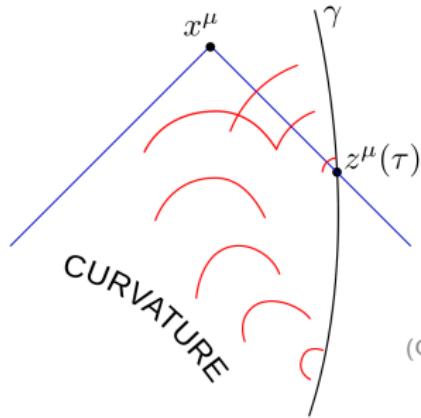
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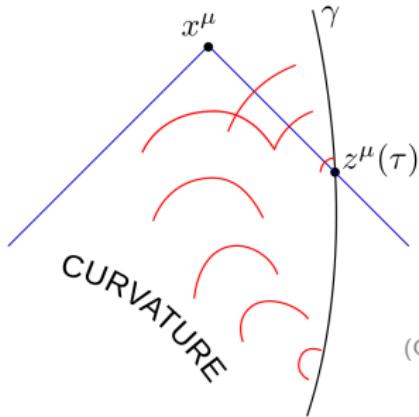
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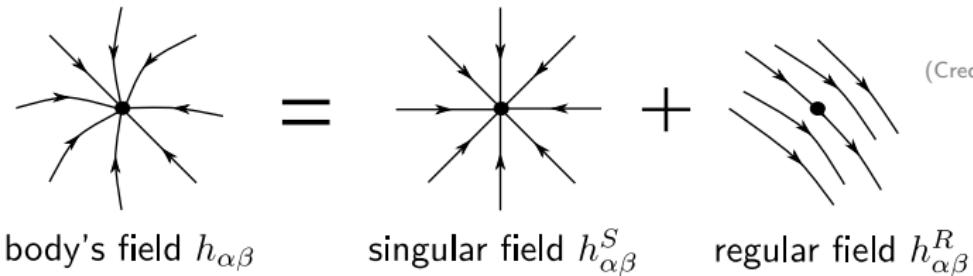
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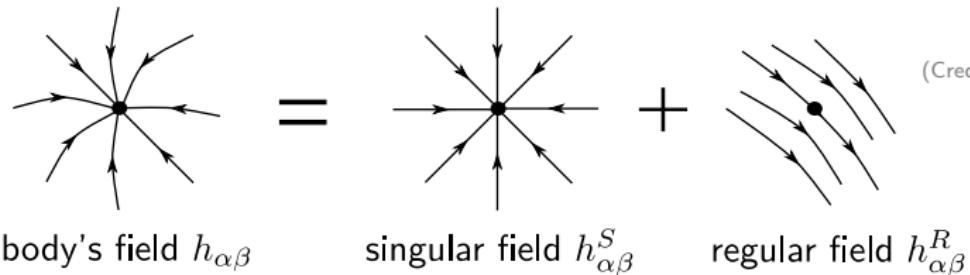
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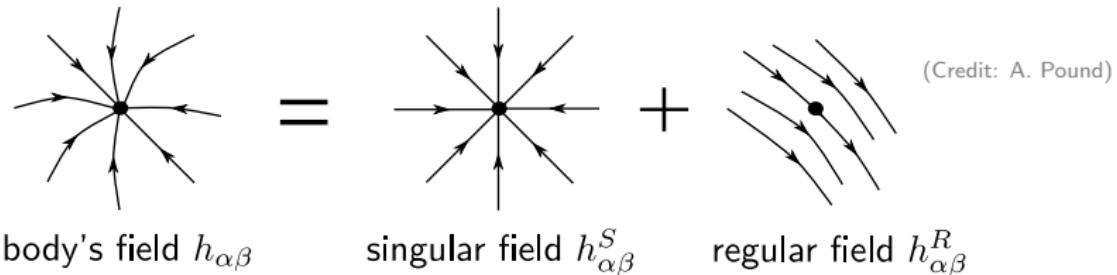
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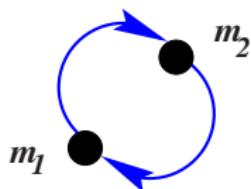
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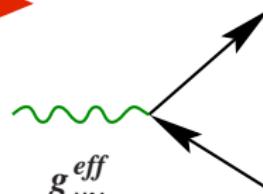
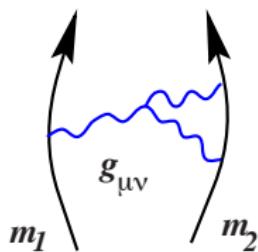
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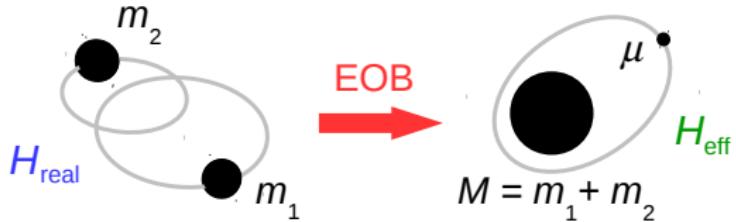
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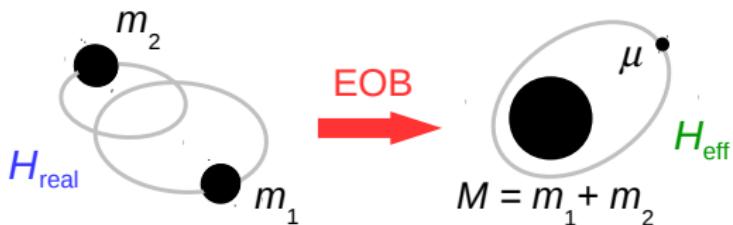
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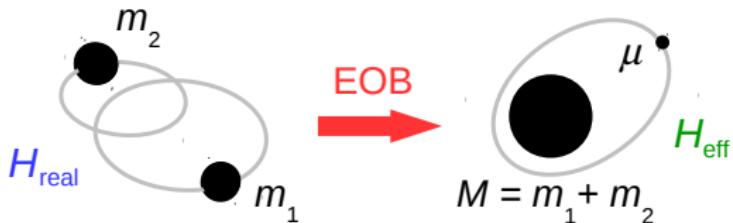
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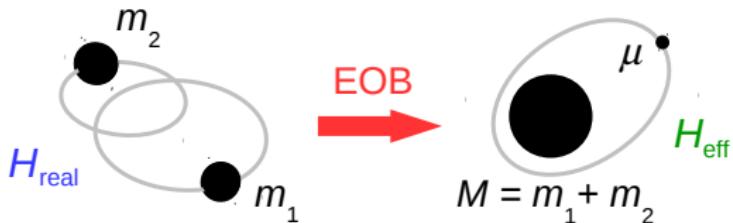
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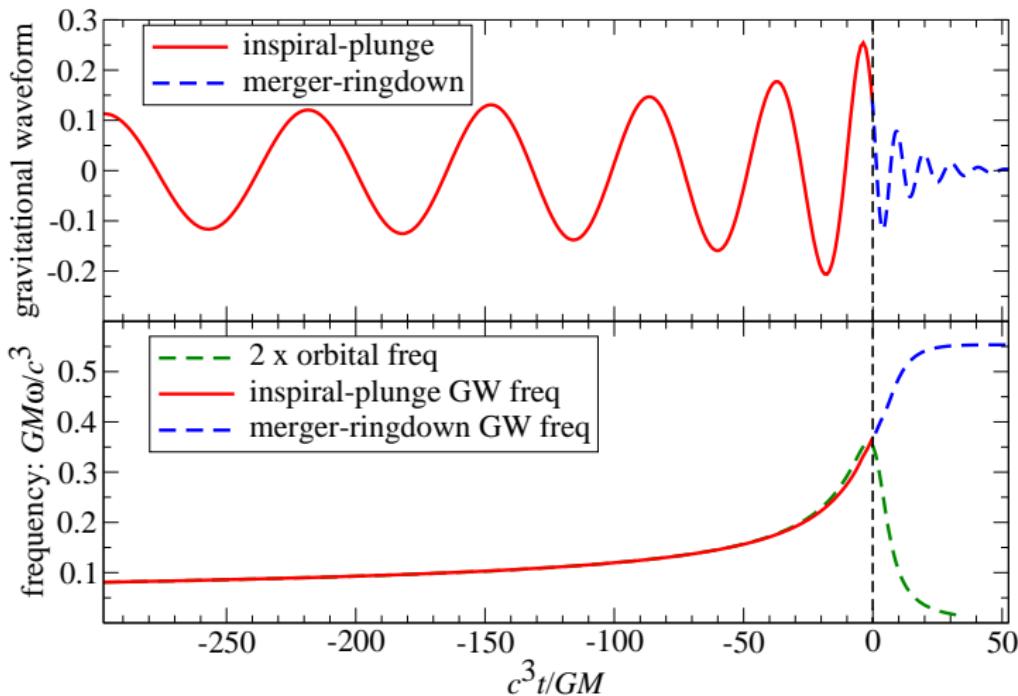
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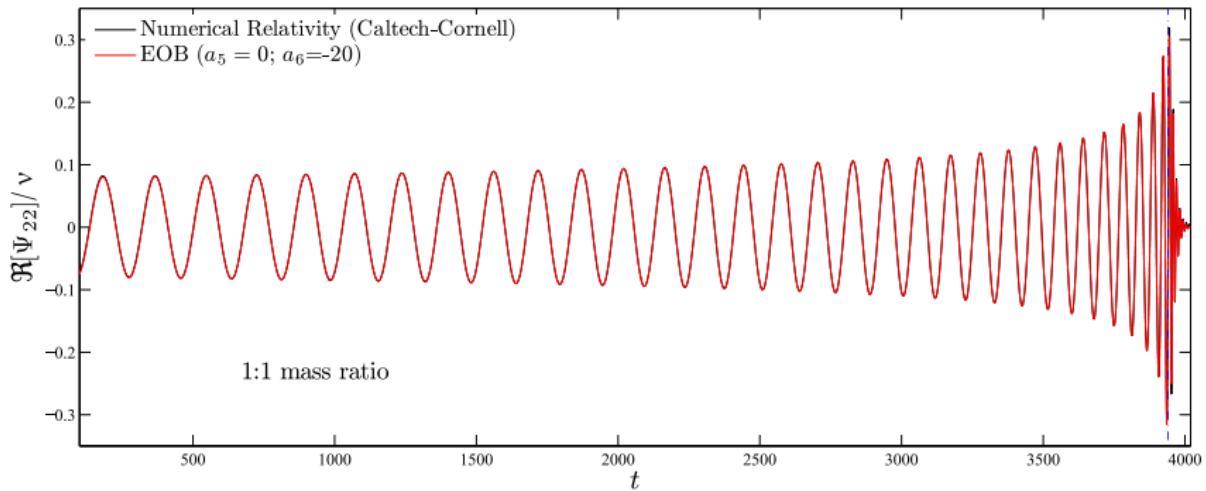
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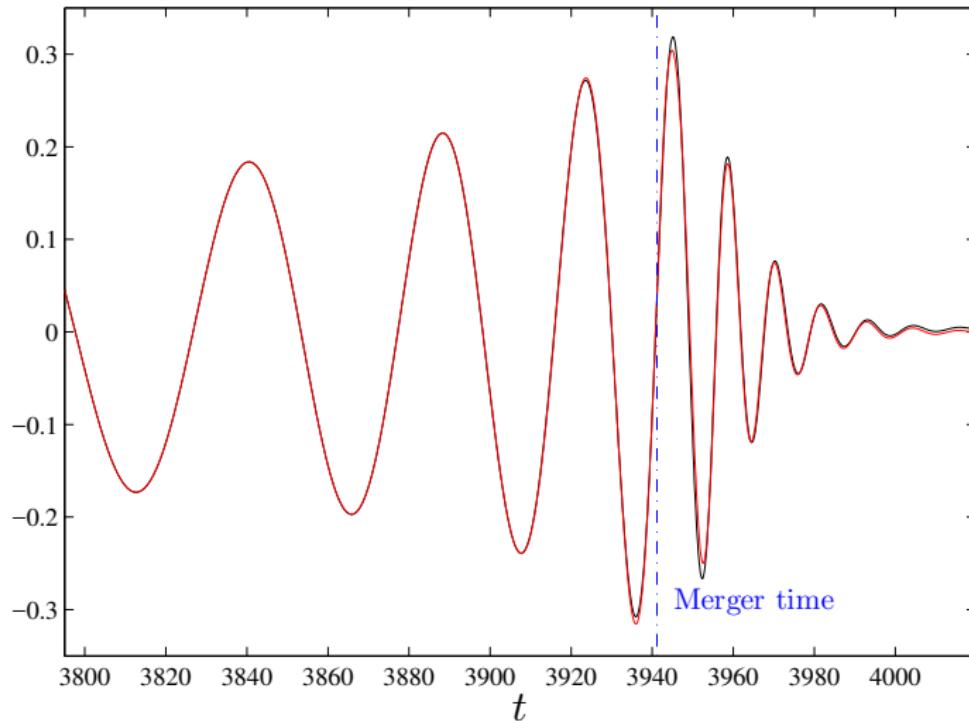
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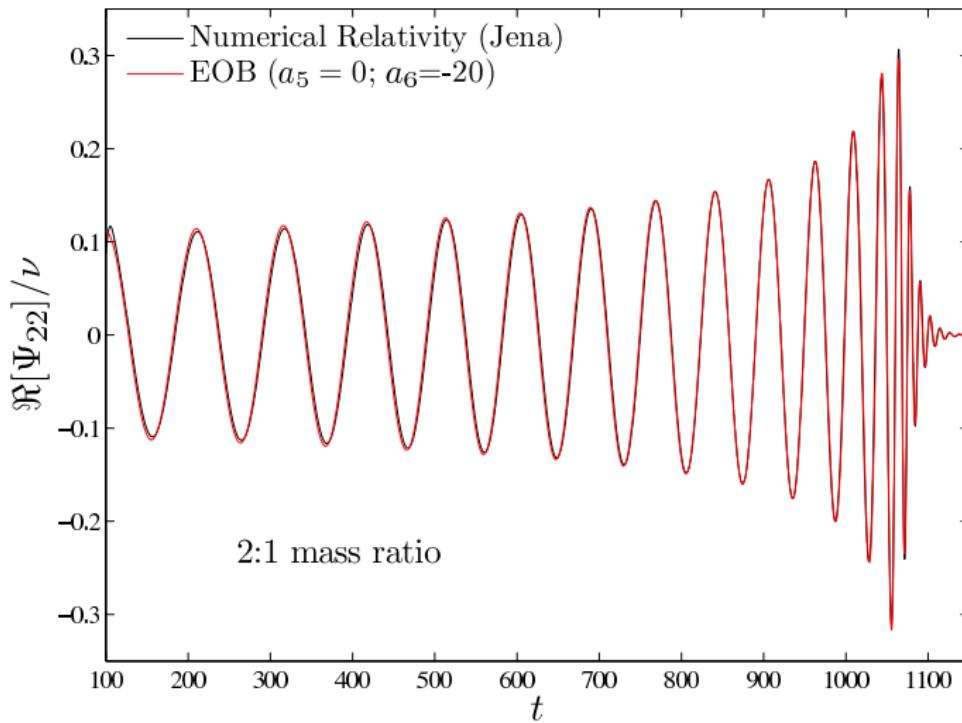
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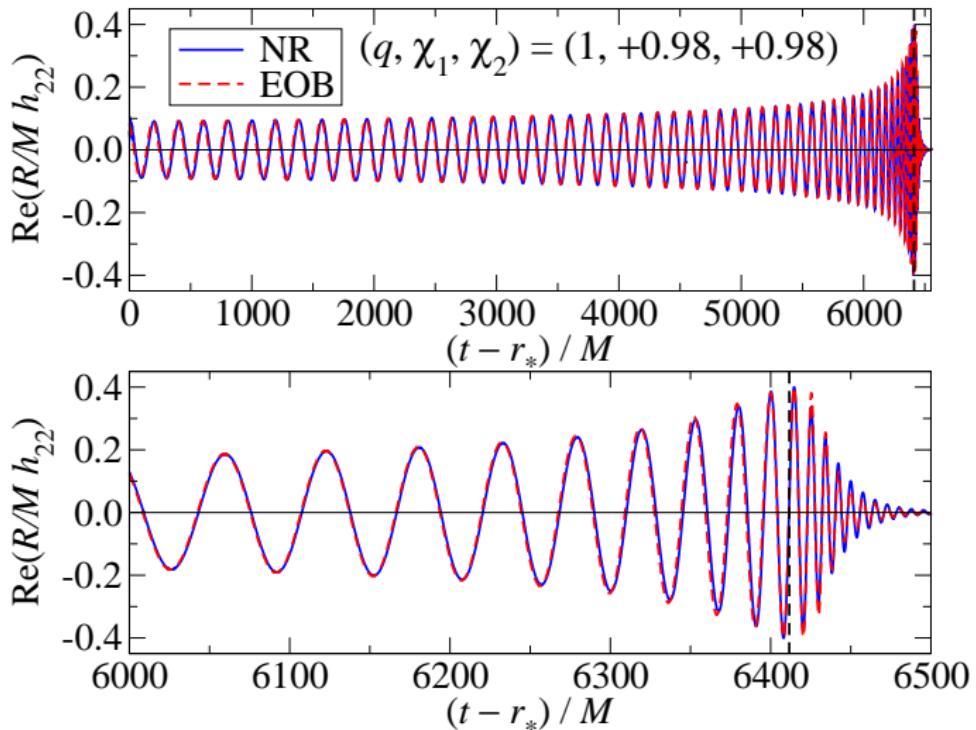
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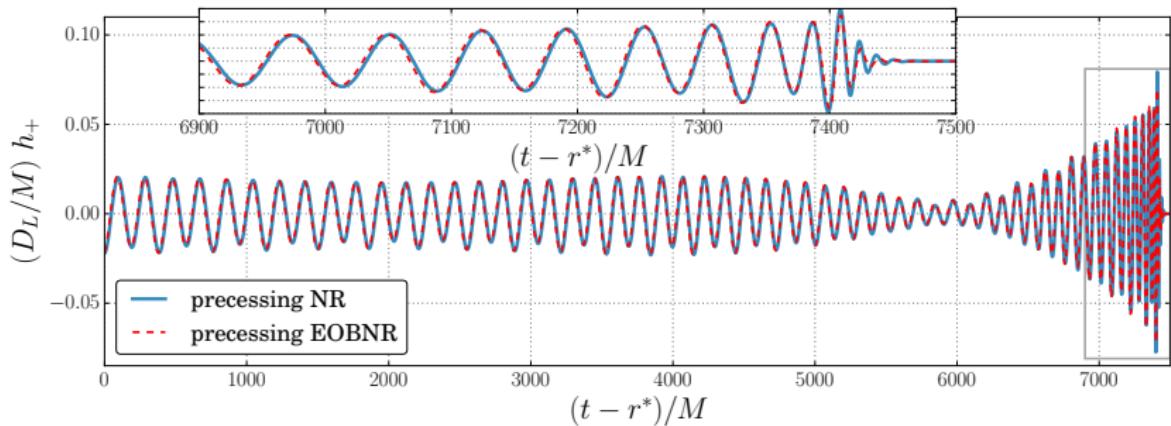
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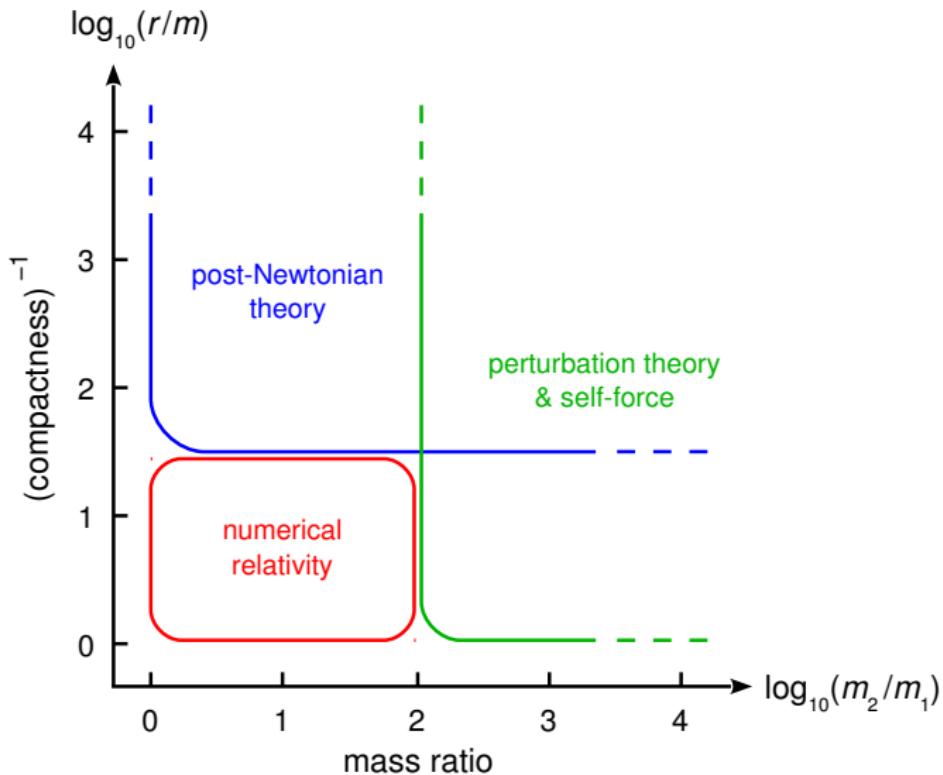
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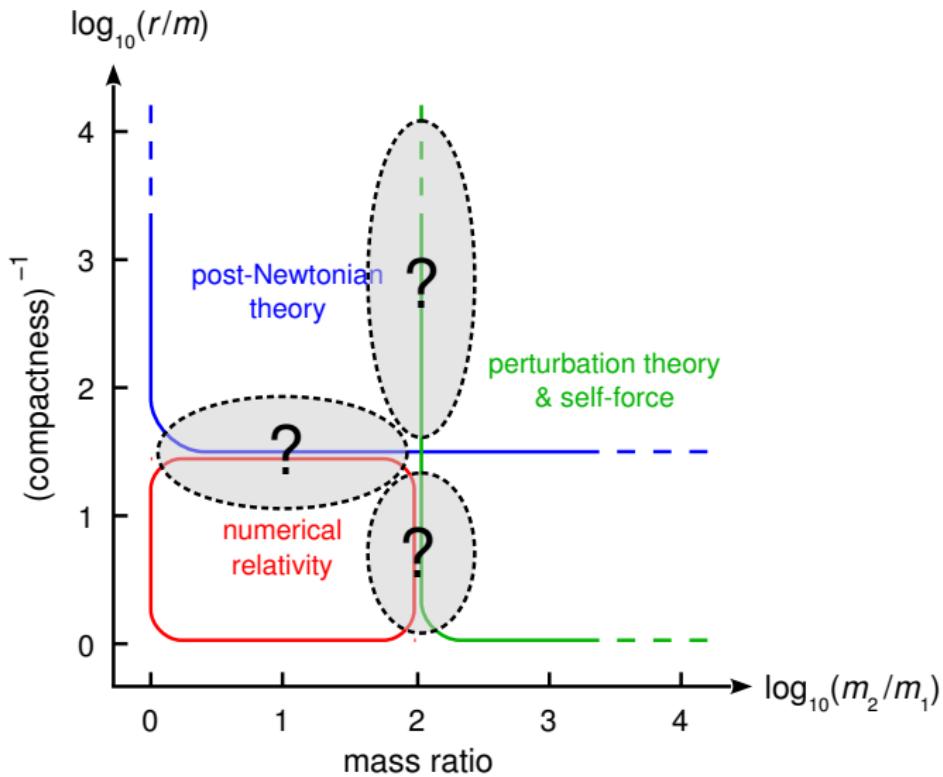
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Nagar	2013	NR/BHP	recoil velocity		
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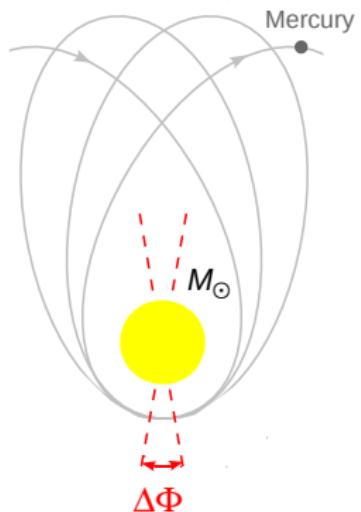
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Shah <i>et al.</i>					
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Dolan <i>et al.</i>					
Bini & Damour	}	BHP/PN/EOB	ISCO frequency	eccentric	✓
Isoyama <i>et al.</i>					
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Relativistic perihelion advance of Mercury

- Observed anomalous advance of Mercury's perihelion of $\sim 43''/\text{cent.}$
- Accounted for by the leading-order relativistic angular advance per orbit

$$\Delta\Phi = \frac{6\pi GM_{\odot}}{c^2 a (1 - e^2)}$$

- Periastron advance of $\sim 4^\circ/\text{yr}$ now measured in **binary pulsars**



Periastron advance in black hole binaries

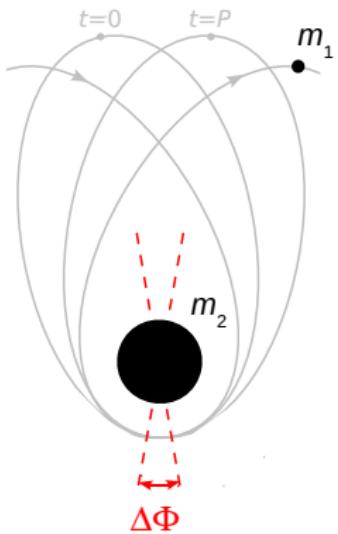
- Generic eccentric orbit parametrized by the two **invariant frequencies**

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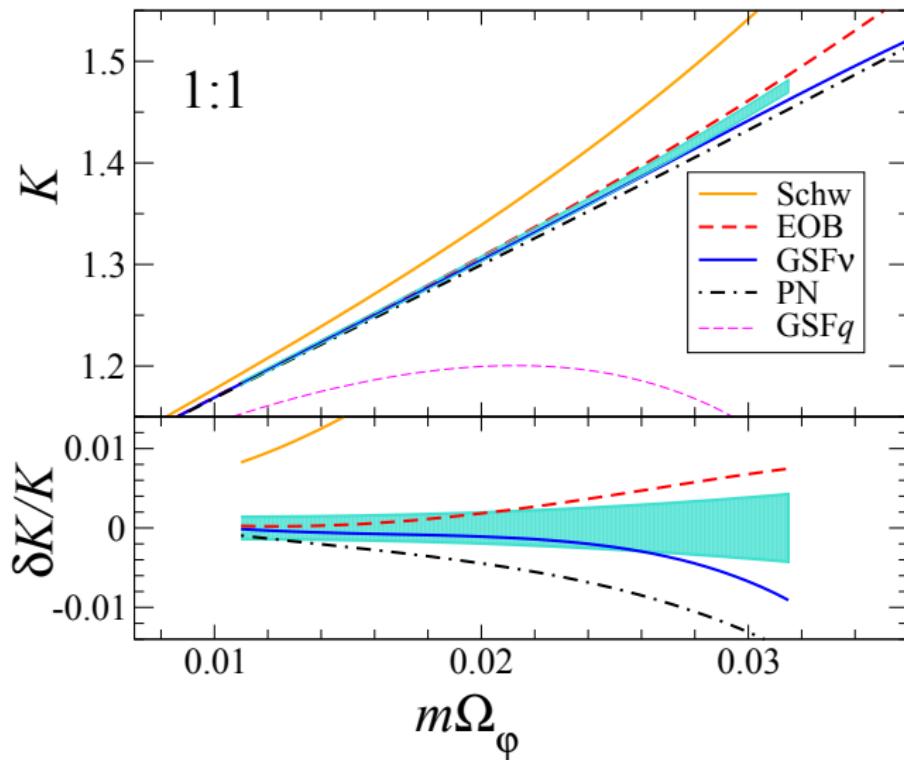
- Periastron advance per radial period

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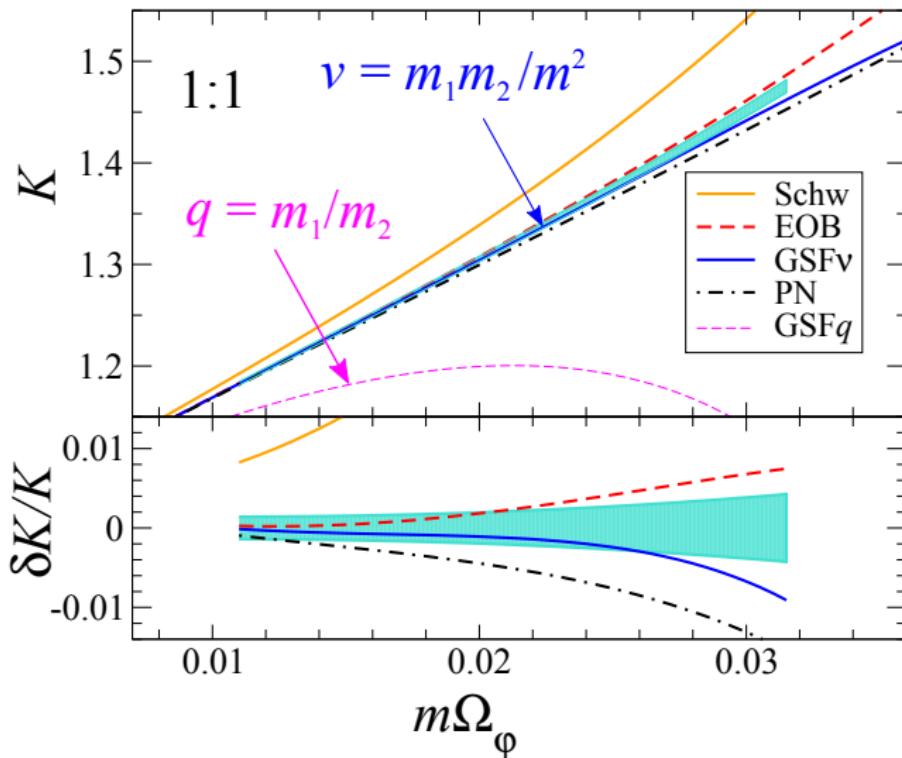
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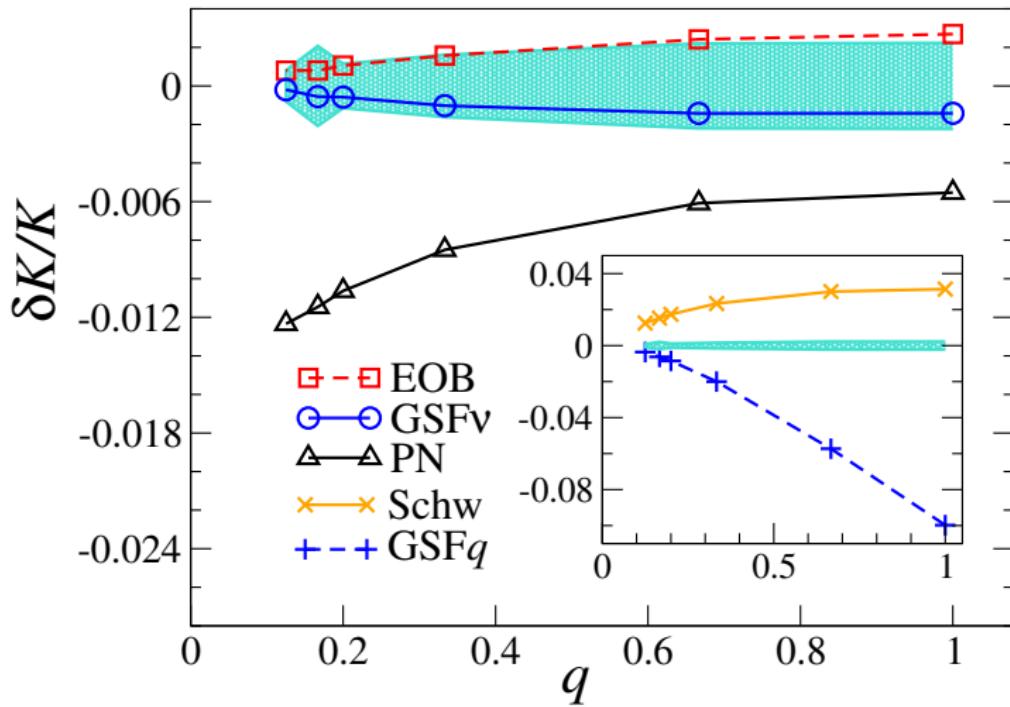
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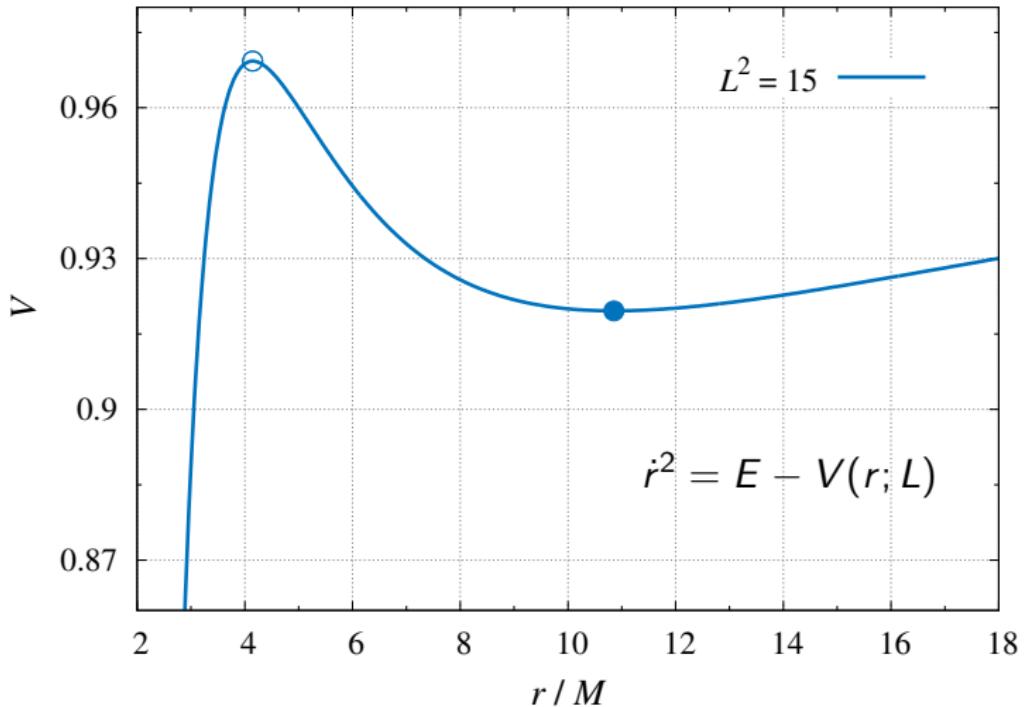
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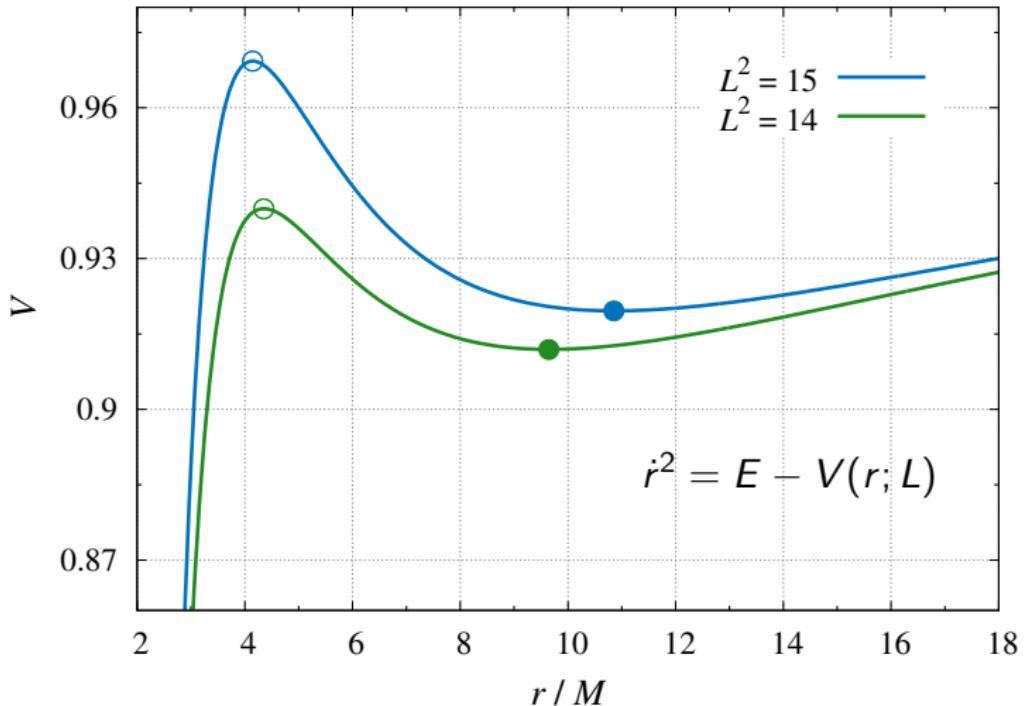
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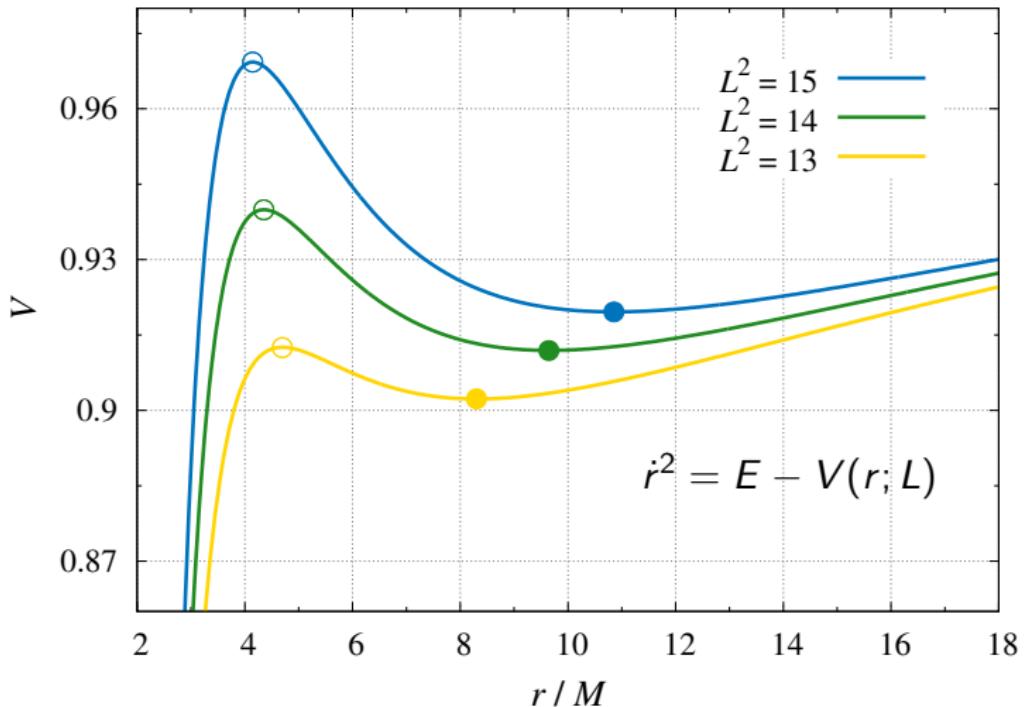
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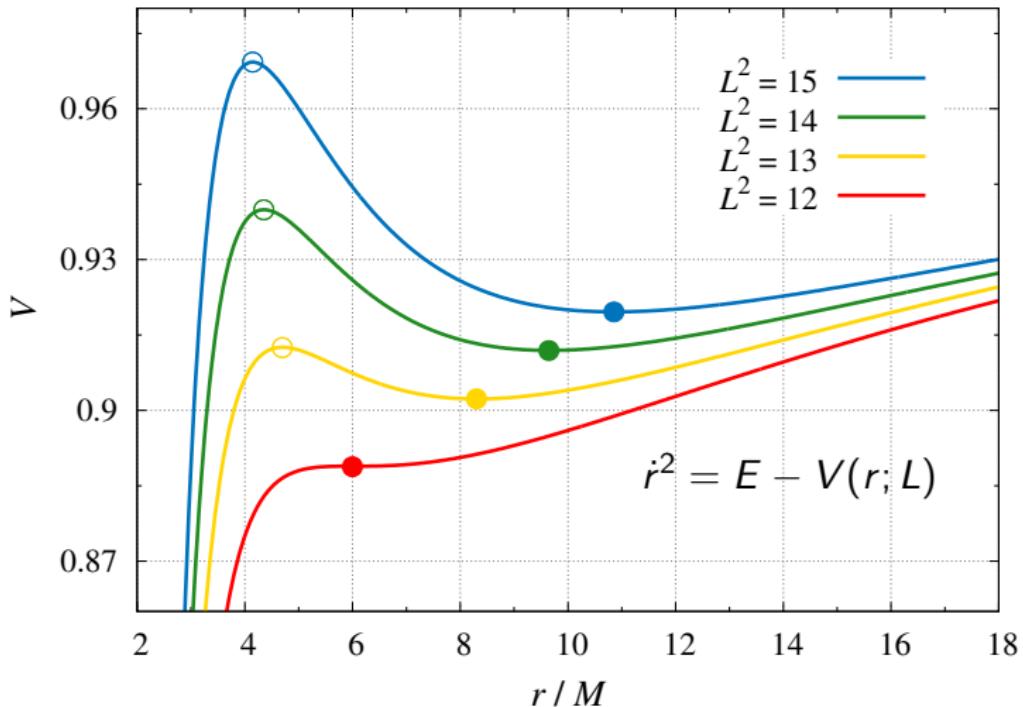
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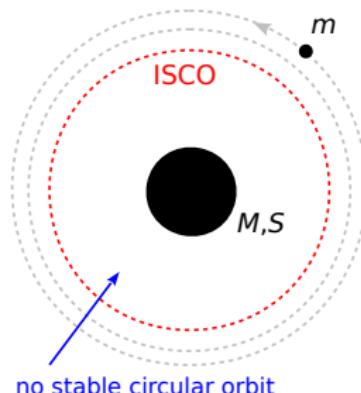
$$\frac{\partial^2 H}{\partial r^2} = 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \Omega_{\text{ISCO}}$$

- The **minimum energy** circular orbit is the most bound orbit along a sequence of circular orbits:

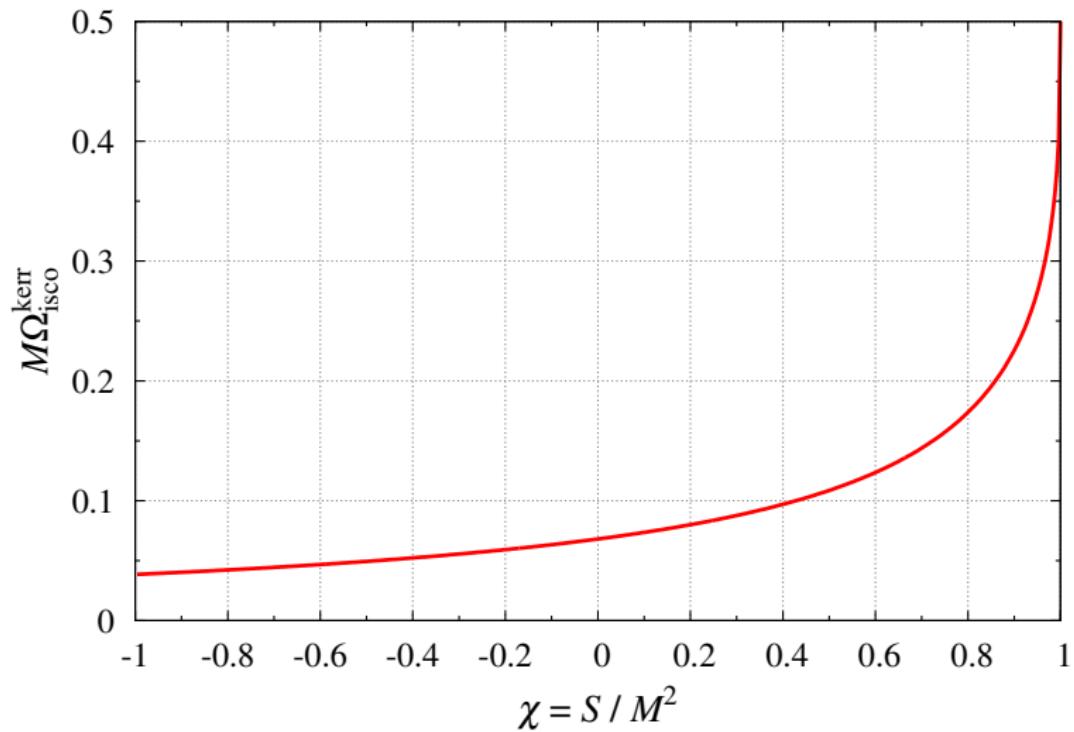
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- For Hamiltonian systems
[Buonanno *et al.* (2003)]

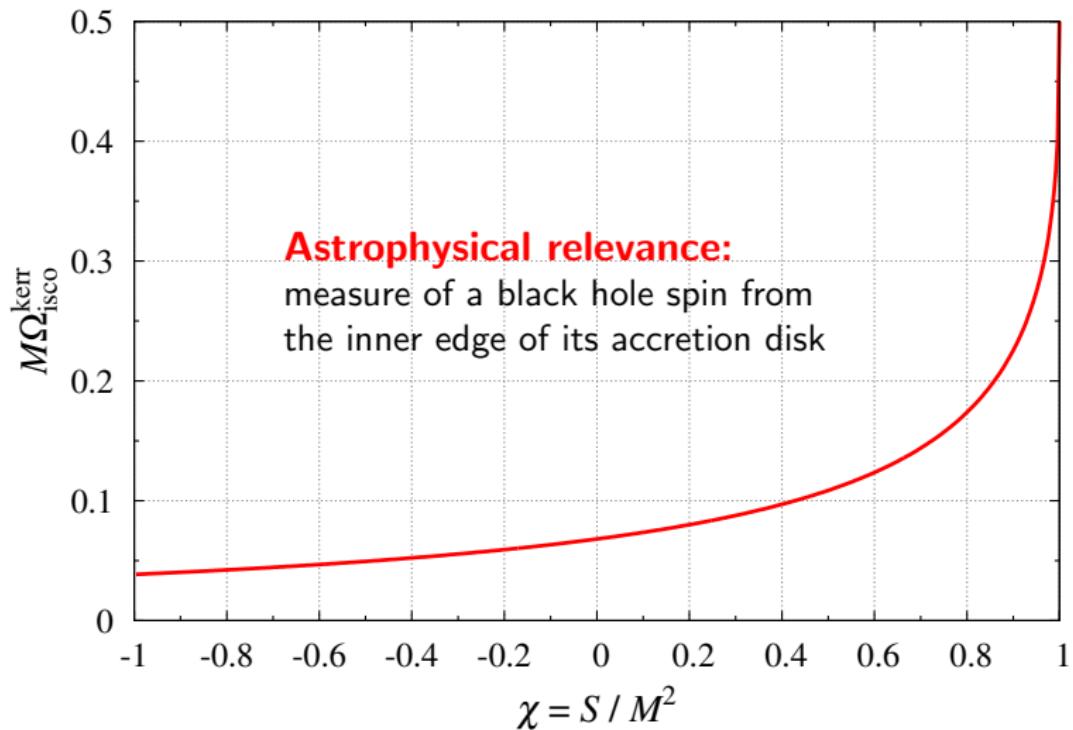
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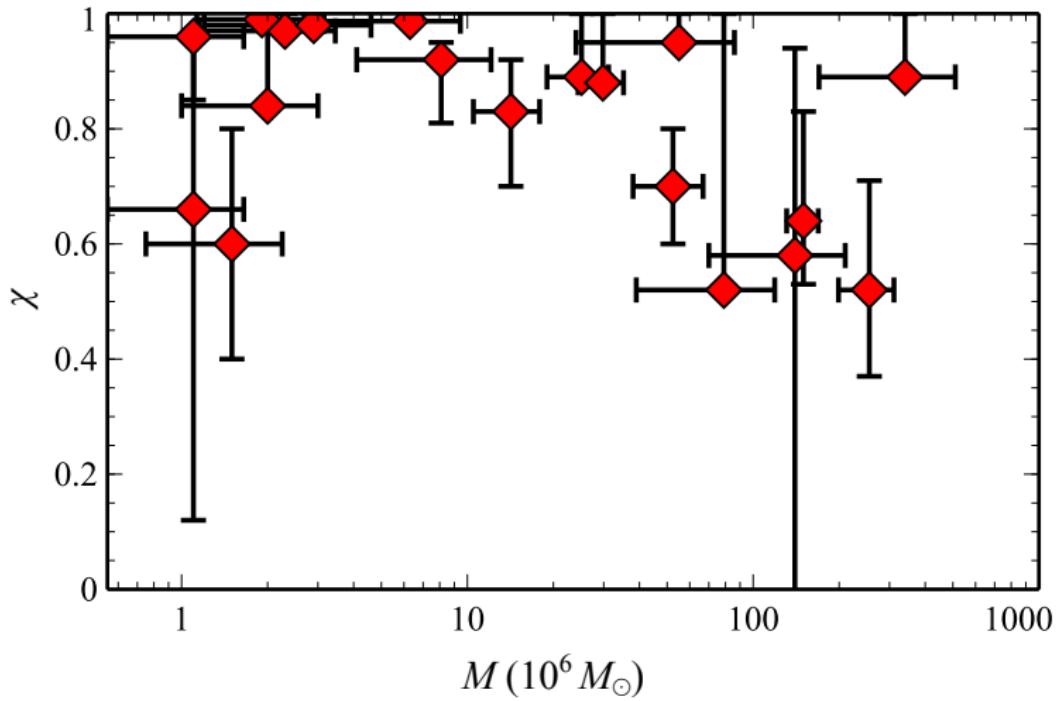
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Spins of supermassive black holes



Frequency shift of the Kerr ISCO

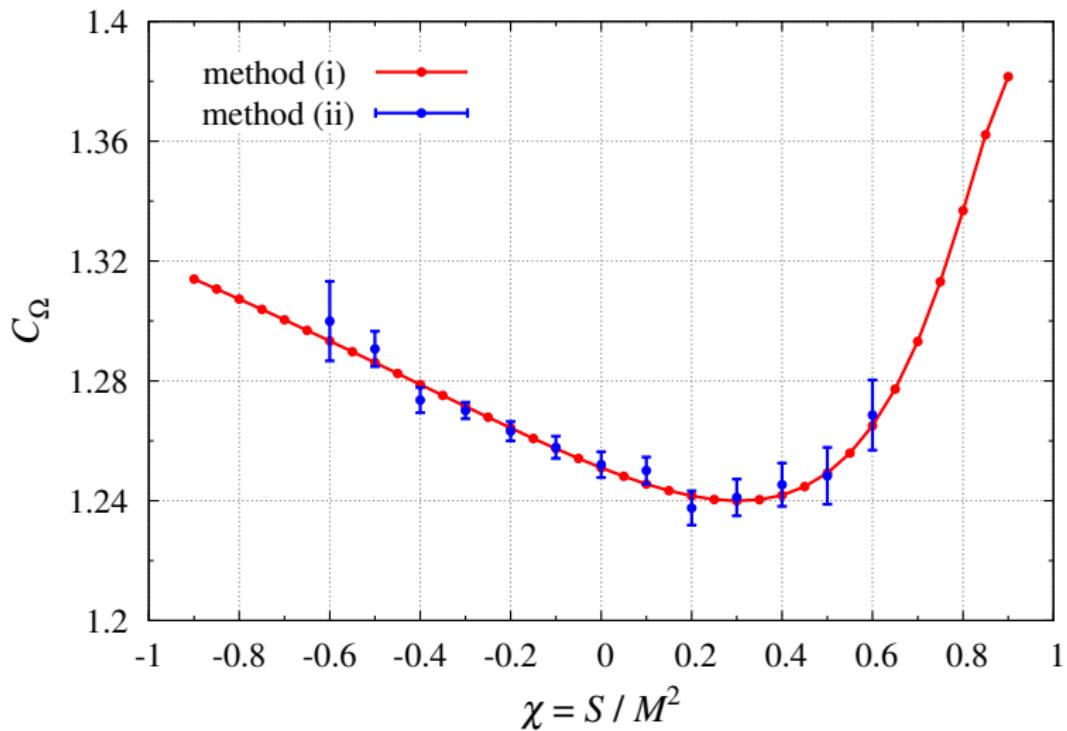
- The orbital frequency of the Kerr ISCO is shifted under the effect of the **conservative self-force**:

$$(M + m)\Omega_{\text{isco}} = \underbrace{M\Omega_{\text{isco}}^{\text{kerr}}(\chi)}_{\text{test mass result}} \left\{ 1 + \underbrace{q C_\Omega(\chi)}_{\text{conservative GSF effect}} + \mathcal{O}(q^2) \right\}$$

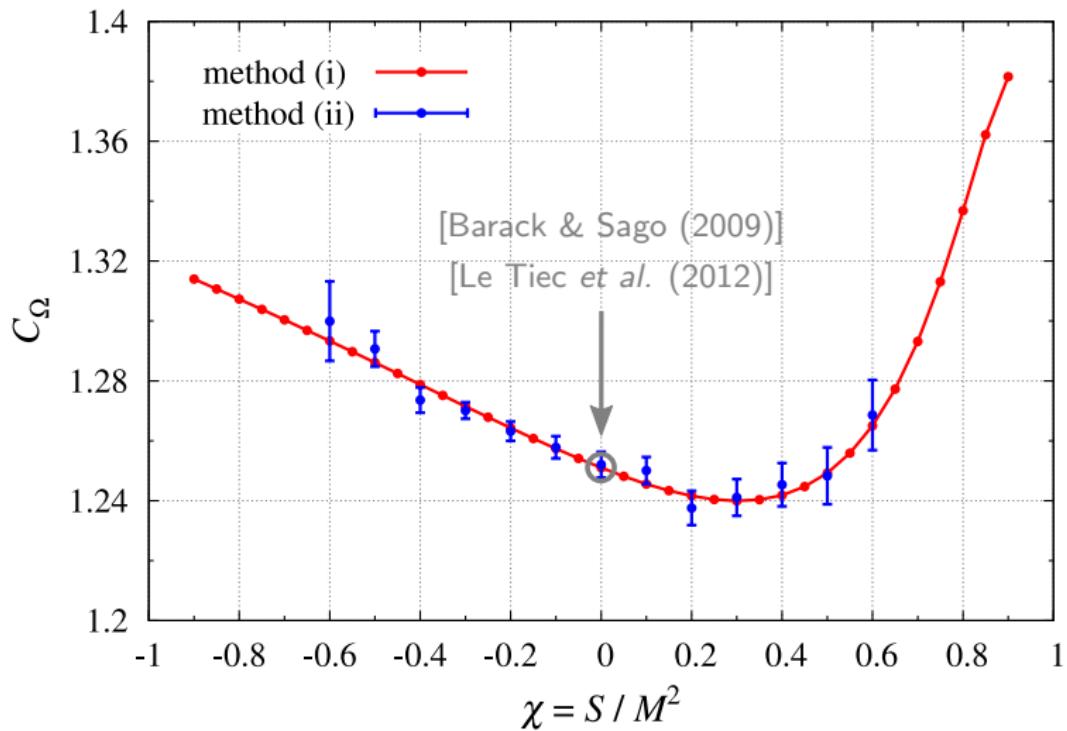
- The frequency shift can be computed from a **stability analysis** of slightly eccentric orbits near the Kerr ISCO
- Combining the **Hamiltonian first law** with the MECO condition $\partial E / \partial \Omega = 0$ yields the same result:

$$C_\Omega = \frac{1}{2} \frac{z''_{\text{GSF}}(\Omega_{\text{isco}}^{\text{kerr}})}{E''(\Omega_{\text{isco}}^{\text{kerr}})}$$

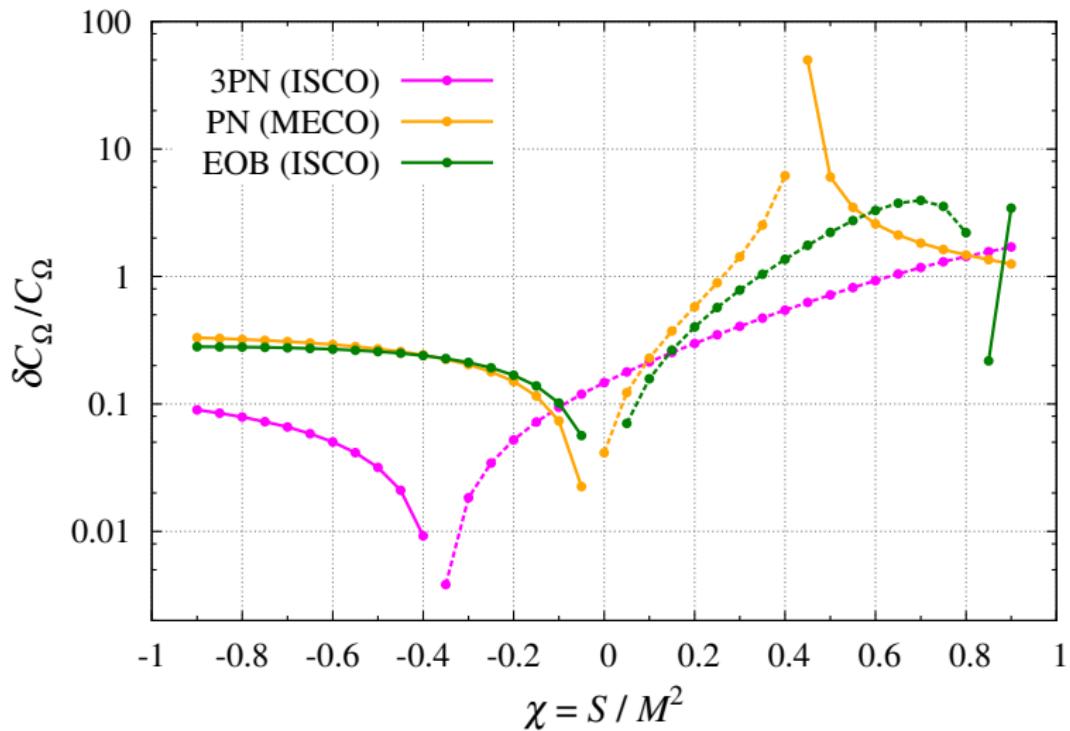
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