



Inspiralling compact objects with generic deformations

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Nature of Compact Objects

Credit: Paolo Pani (slide concept by T. Hinderer and A. Maselli)



Nature of compact objects **imprinted** in gravitational waveform.

Multipolar structure of isolated bodies

Structure of a self-gravitating object can be characterised through its multipole moments.

 $\nabla^2 \Phi(\mathbf{x}) = 4\pi \rho(\mathbf{x})$



Credit: GFZ Potsdam

$$\Phi_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \frac{M_{\ell m}}{r^{\ell+1}} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2\ell+1}} Y_{\ell m}(\theta,\varphi), \qquad M_{\ell m} = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2\ell+1}} \int_{V} \rho(\mathbf{x}) r^{\ell} Y_{\ell m}^{*} d^{3}x$$

Or in terms of **symmetric trace-free** tensors $M^{\langle i_1...i_\ell \rangle}$:

$$\Phi_{\text{ext}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{r^{\ell+1}} \frac{(2\ell-1)!!}{\ell!} M^{\langle i_1 \dots i_\ell \rangle} n^i \dots n^\ell,$$

$$M^{} = N_L \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \mathscr{Y}_{\ell m}^{*} M_{\ell m}$$

(See e.g. Poisson & Will, "Gravity")

Relativistic multipole moments

Geroch '70; Hansen '74; Thorne '80

Stationary, asymptotically flat spacetimes can be described through a set of relativistic *mass multipole moments* $M_{\ell m}$ and *current multipole moments* $S_{\ell m}$.

$$g_{tt} + 1 \sim \sum_{\ell,m} \frac{M_{\ell m}}{r^{\ell+1}} Y_{\ell m}, \qquad g_{ti} \sim \sum \frac{S_{\ell m}}{r^{\ell+1}} Y_{i,\ell m}^B$$
(K. Thorne '80)

Axial symmetry $\implies M_{\ell m} = 0$, $S_{\ell m} = 0$ if $m \neq 0$

Axial symmetry and **equatorial symmetry**:

$$\implies M_{\ell 0} = 0 \text{ if } \ell \text{ is odd} \quad \& \quad S_{\ell 0} = 0 \text{ if } \ell \text{ is even}$$

Testing the spacetime symmetries

For a Kerr black hole (which is **axisymmetric** and **equatorially symmetric**) non-vanishing multipole moments **only depend** on its mass *M* and angular momentum *J*:

$$M_{\ell=2n\,m=0}^{\text{Kerr}} = (-1)^n M\left(\frac{J}{M}\right)^{2n}, \quad S_{\ell=2n+1\,m=0}^{\text{Kerr}} = (-1)^n M\left(\frac{J}{M}\right)^{2n+1}, \quad n = 0, 1, \dots$$

Multipolar structure can be much richer for exotic objects and in beyond GR theories, with solutions breaking the symmetries of the Kerr metric. [fuzzballs: Bianchi+'20;Bena+ '20-'21; boson stars: Herdeiro+ '20] [See P. Pani's talk]

Breaking **equatorial symmetry**, e.g. $S_{20} \neq 0$, $M_{30} \neq 0$

Breaking **axial symmetry**, e.g. $M_{2\pm 1} \neq 0$, $M_{2\pm 2} \neq 0$



Credits: G. Raposo

Ryan's theorem

- Multipolar structure of orbiting bodies **imprinted** in gravitational waves emitted by a binary system. (F. Ryan, '95,'97)
- ★ Inspiral of a small body with mass μ orbiting an **axisymmetric** and **equatorially symmetric** massive body ($\tilde{u} \equiv (\pi M f)^{1/3} \ll 1$):

current dipole (i.e. spin) mass quadrupole

$$f \frac{dE_{\text{GW}}}{df} = \mu \left[\frac{1}{3} \tilde{u}^2 - \frac{1}{2} \tilde{u}^4 + \frac{20}{9} \frac{S_{10}}{M^2} \tilde{u}^5 + \left(-\frac{27}{8} + \frac{M_{20}}{M^3} \right) \tilde{u}^6 + \dots \right]$$

higher-order PN terms (including higher multipoles)



Deviations away from Kerr mass quadrupole $\Delta \mathcal{Q} \equiv (M_{20} - M_{20}^{\text{Kerr}})/M^3 \text{ measurable with}$ accuracies ~ 10⁻⁴ - 10⁻² with **EMRIs**.

(Barack and Cutler, '06; Babak et al, 2017)

Constraining equatorial symmetry with LISA

K. Fransen & D.R. Mayerson, arXiv:2201.03569

★ EMRI around **non-equatorially symmetric** but **axisymmetric** body with $S_{20} \neq 0$ and $M_{30} \neq 0$ using extension of analytic kludge model by Barack&Cutler [arXiv:0310125 ;arXiv:0612029].



Credits: Raposo+ arXiv:1812.07615



Inspiral of two bodies with no symmetries



Let's be even more generic and consider the inspiral of two deformed bodies with **no symmetries.**

See: Nick Loutrel, RB, Andrea Maselli & Paolo Pani, arXiv: 2203.01725







Conservative orbital dynamics

- ♦ Consider a two-body system with masses (M_1, M_2) , each one endowed with a generic mass quadrupole moment (Q_1^{ij}, Q_2^{ij}) .
- Conservative orbital dynamics can be described through a Lagrangian formulation. To leading-order in the mass quadrupole contribution: [J. E Vines & É. Flanagan, Phys. Rev. D 88, 024046 (2013)]

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$$\begin{array}{l} n^{ij} = n^{i}n^{j} \\ \mu = \frac{M_{1}M_{2}}{M} \\ M = M_{1} + M_{2} \\ \eta_{A} = M_{A}/M \\ Q_{\text{eff}}^{ij} = \eta_{2}Q_{1}^{ij} - \eta_{1}Q_{2}^{ij} \\ Q_{A}^{ij} \equiv M_{A}^{ij} \\ A = 1,2 \end{array} \begin{array}{l} \text{point-particle spin contributions mass quadrupole} \\ \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{pp} + \mathcal{L}_{spin} + \mathcal{L}_{quad} + \dots \\ \mathcal{L}_{pp} = \mathcal{L}_{N} + c^{-2}\mathcal{L}_{1PN} + c^{-4}\mathcal{L}_{2PN} + \mathcal{O}\left(c^{-6}\right) \\ \mathcal{L}_{N} = \frac{1}{2}\mu\nu^{2} + \frac{\mu M}{r}, \qquad \mathcal{L}_{quad} = \frac{3M}{2r^{3}}Q_{\text{eff}}^{ij}n^{} + O\left(c^{-2}\right) \\ \mathcal{L}_{N} = \frac{1}{2}\mu\nu^{2} + \frac{\mu M}{r}, \qquad \mathcal{L}_{quad} = \frac{3M}{2r^{3}}Q_{\text{eff}}^{ij}n^{} + O\left(c^{-2}\right) \\ \end{array}$$

Equations of motion & Osculating orbits

(See e.g. Poisson & Will, "Gravity")

Schematically equations of motion can be written as:

$$\frac{d}{dt}\vec{r}(t) = \vec{v}$$
, $\frac{d}{dt}\vec{v}(t) = \vec{f}_{\text{Newton}} + \vec{f}_{\text{pert}}$

- ★ $\vec{f}_{pert} = 0$ ⇒ Keplerian motion which in the "body" frame (X, Y, Z) can be parameterised by a set of five constants of motion: $\mu^a = [p, e, ι, ω, Ω].$
- ✤ Treat the problem as Keplerian orbits **perturbed** by a small additional "force" $\vec{f}_{pert} = \vec{f}_{quad}$.
- ★ Method of osculating orbits At each time *t* take orbit to be Keplerian with orbital elements $\mu^a \rightarrow \mu^a(t)$:

$$\vec{r}(t) = \vec{r}_{\text{Kepler}} \left(t, \mu_a(t) \right) , \qquad \vec{v}(t) = \vec{v}_{\text{Kepler}} \left(t, \mu_a(t) \right)$$



- p semi-latus rectum
- e Newtonian eccentricity
- ι inclination
- ω longitude of pericenter
- Ω longitude of ascending node

* \vec{f}_{quad} introduces a new timescale in the problem, **longer** than orbital timescale, which lead to *secular changes* in the orbital elements: use *multiscale analysis*.

(See e.g. Poisson & Will, "Gravity")

$$\left\langle \frac{dp}{dt} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{de}{dt} \right\rangle = 0$$
 No secular changes for p, e (but have periodic corrections on orbital timescale)



Nutation due to non-axisymmetric mass quadrupole moment

$$Q_{21} = Q_{+1}^R + iQ_{+1}^I, \qquad Q_{22} = Q_{+1}^R + iQ_{+1}^I, \qquad Q_0 \equiv Q_{20}$$



$$\left\langle \frac{d\iota}{dt} \right\rangle = \left(\frac{6\pi}{5}\right)^{1/2} \frac{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}{\nu M^{1/2} p^{7/2}} \left\{ \cos \iota (-Q_{+1}^R \cos \Omega + Q_{+1}^I \sin \Omega) + \sin \iota [Q_{+2}^R \sin(2\Omega) + Q_{+2}^I \cos(2\Omega)] \right\}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{d\omega}{dt} \right\rangle = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{\pi}{5} \right)^{1/2} \frac{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}{\nu M^{1/2} p^{7/2}} \left\{ -3Q_0 \left[3+5\cos(2\iota) \right] + 2\sqrt{6} \left[3-5\cos(2\iota) \right] \cot \iota \left(Q_{+1}^R \sin \Omega + Q_{+1}^I \cos \Omega \right) + \sqrt{6} \left[1-5\cos(2\iota) \right] \left(Q_{+2}^R \cos(2\Omega) - Q_{+2}^I \sin(2\Omega) \right) \right\}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{d\Omega}{dt} \right\rangle = \left(\frac{\pi}{5}\right)^{1/2} \frac{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}{\nu M^{1/2} p^{7/2}} \left\{ \cos \iota [3Q_0 + \sqrt{6}Q_{+2}^R \cos(2\Omega) - \sqrt{6}Q_{+2}^I \sin(2\Omega)] + \sqrt{6}\cos(2\iota)\csc \iota (Q_{+1}^R \sin \Omega + Q_{+1}^I \cos \Omega) \right\}$$

Pericenter advance due to mass quadrupole moment

$$Q_{21} = Q_{+1}^R + iQ_{+1}^I, \qquad Q_{22} = Q_{+1}^R + iQ_{+1}^I, \qquad Q_0 \equiv Q_{20}$$

Secular mass quadrupole effects

✤ Closed-form analytic solutions for particular cases ($Q_{21} = 0$), whereas for generic mass quadrupole equations can be solved perturbatively assuming $Q_{21} \ll Q_{20}$



Radiation reaction

- ✤ Gravitational-wave emission becomes important on radiation reaction timescale $t_{\text{RR}} \gg t_{\text{prec.}} \gg t_{\text{orb}}.$
- Focusing on circular orbits, leading-order radiation reaction effects can be computed using:

Quadrupole formula

$$\mathcal{P} = \frac{1}{5c^5} \ddot{I}^{\langle ij \rangle} \ddot{I}^{\langle ij \rangle}$$

 $I^{ij} = \mu x^i x^j$

Flux-balance law
$$\frac{dE_{\rm orb}}{dt} = -\langle \mathscr{P} \rangle$$

♦ Use hierarchy of timescales $t_{\text{RR}} \gg t_{\text{prec.}} \gg t_{\text{orb}}$, to average over precession timescale (solved analytically for $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \ll 1$), e.g. :

$$\phi(\tilde{u}) = \phi_c + M^{-1} \int d\tilde{u} \ \tilde{u}^3 \left(\left\langle \frac{d\tilde{u}}{dt} \right\rangle_{\psi_2} \right)^{-1} = \phi_c - \frac{1}{32\nu\tilde{u}^5} \left[1 - \frac{Q_0 \tilde{u}^4}{8M^3\nu} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{5}} \epsilon_1^p \epsilon_2^q \ \mathcal{U}_{pq} \right]$$

$$\tilde{u} = (2\pi MF)^{1/3}, \quad F = 1/T_{\rm orb}$$

Gravitational waveform

Leading-order corrections to metric perturbation can be computed using quadrupole approximation:

$$h_{ij} = \frac{2}{c^4 D_L} \ddot{I}_{\langle ij \rangle}$$

• Time-domain waveform found by projecting h_{ij} into TT gauge:

$$h = h_{+} - ih_{\times} = \frac{\nu M}{D_{L}} \tilde{u}^{2} \sum_{mn} A_{m,n}(\iota, \Omega) e^{in\phi}_{-2} Y_{2m}(\theta_{N}, \phi_{N}) \qquad |m| \le 2$$

Frequency-domain waveform waveform obtained applying "SPA" and "SUA": [A. Klein, N. Cornish & N. Yunes, PRD90, 124029 (2014)]

$$\tilde{h}(f) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{96}} \frac{\mathcal{M}^{5/6}}{\pi^{2/3} D_L} f^{-7/6} e^{i\tilde{\Psi}_F} \sum_m \mathcal{A}_m(f)_{-2} Y_{2m}(\theta_N, \phi_N)$$

Amplitude modulations



Amplitudes $\mathscr{A}_m(f)$ generically **modulated** due to precession of orbital angular momentum.

Black: $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 0$ Red: $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2 = 10^{-3}$ Blue: $\epsilon_1 = 10^{-3}$, $\epsilon_2 = 10^{-1}$

Gravitational-wave phase

$$\tilde{\Psi}_{F} = 2\pi f t_{c} - 2\phi_{c} - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{3}{128\nu(\pi M f)^{5/3}} \left[1 - \frac{Q_{0}}{8M^{3}\nu} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{5}} \epsilon_{1}^{p} \epsilon_{2}^{q} \mathcal{U}_{pq} \left(\pi M f\right)^{4/3} \right]$$

$$\tilde{\Psi}_T(f) = \tilde{\Psi}_F(f) + \arg\left[\sum_m \mathscr{A}_m(f)\right]$$

Total phase difference between axisymmetric case and generically deformed bodies can be $\gtrsim 0.1$.

Detectability?

Mapping to realistic exotic compact objects?



Conclusions

Detecting **non-axisymmetry** or **non-equatorial symmetry** through measurements of the **multipole moments** of a compact object would be **smoking-gun** from departures from Kerr geometry.

To do: Fisher Matrix analysis for different systems and detectors

- Degeneracies? Degeneracy between non-axisymmetric and axisymmetric pieces?
- EMRIs/IMRIs in LISA are in general **best systems** to constrain multipole moments, but **accurate modelling** requires going beyond PN and kludge models...

Thank you!