

Entering the era of
gravitational waves
precision physics:
signal modelling and
tests of new physics

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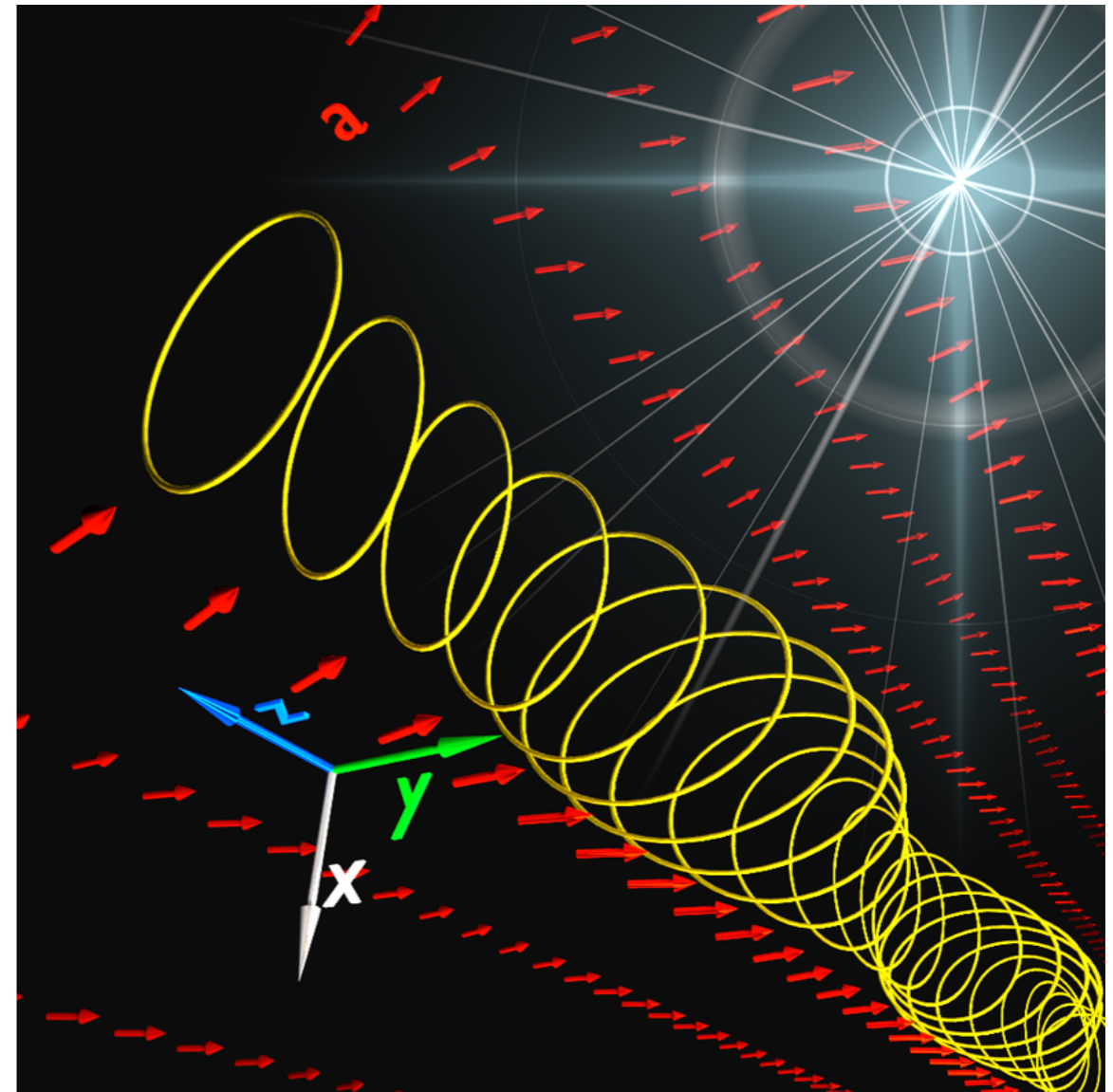
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- ▶ **Searching for new physics during gravitational waves (GW) propagation**
 - Constraints from GW + electromagnetic signal
 - Constraints from the modified GW signal

- ▶ **Designing accurate GW signals**
 - Predicting the black holes parameters with increased prediction
 - Using non-parametric method to generate GW templates

Searching for new physics during GW propagation

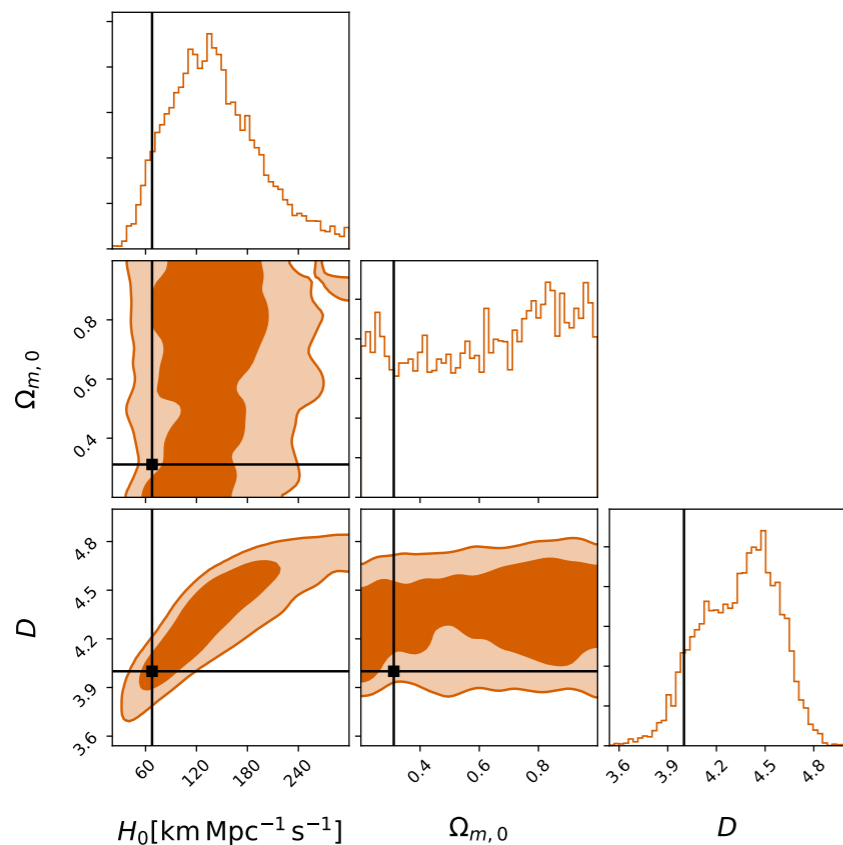
- ▶ **In presence of new fields, GW can be dispersed during their propagation.**
 - The dispersion can impact the apparent distance of the GW source.
 - Constraining the dispersion enable to constrain new theories of gravitation, such as massive gravity.



Propagating gravitational wave (yellow rings) that deforms the Lorentz-violating background field a_μ (red arrows). [Source: Schreck, Marco \(2016\).](#)

Constraints from GW + electromagnetic signal

- ▶ **The analysis of two types of signals enable to constraint the distance of the source:**
 - GW170817 (BNS merger, $z \approx 0.01$) and GW190521 (BBH merger in potential AGN disk, $z \approx 0.44$)
 - Measurement of cosmological parameters (Hubble constant) and alternative theories of gravitation parameters (friction) at the same time



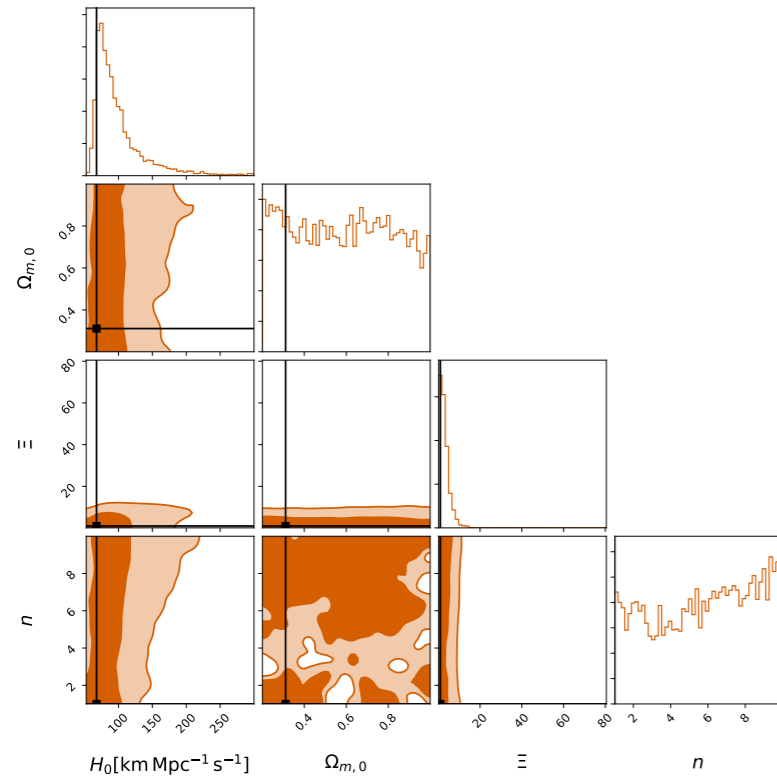
- ▶ **Parameterisation:**

$$d_L^{GW}(z) = \left[1 + \left(\frac{d_L^{EM}(z)}{R_c} \right)^n \right]^{\frac{D-2}{2n}}$$

- ▶ **Compatible theories:**

- DGP gravity (4+1 dimensions), quantum gravity models of large extra dimensions

Constraints from GW + electromagnetic signal



► **Parameterisation:**

$$d_L^{GW}(z) = d_L^{EM}(z) \left[\Xi + \frac{1 - \Xi}{(1+z)^n} \right]$$

► **Compatible theories:**

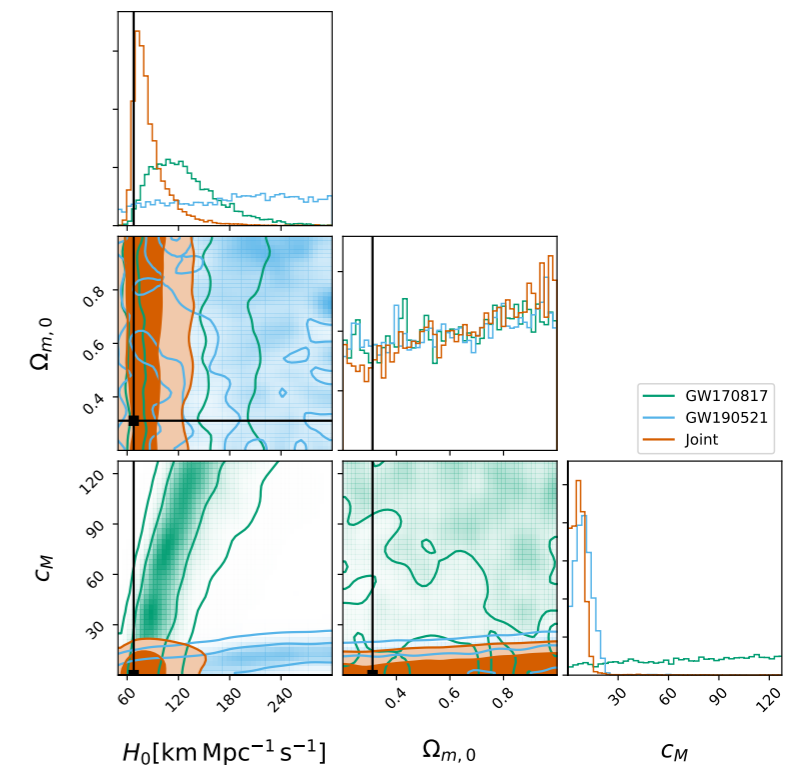
- Scalar-tensor theories of gravitation (Brans-Dicke, Horndeski, beyond-Horndeski, DHOST)

► **Parameterisation:**

$$d_L^{GW}(z) = d_L^{EM}(z) \exp \left[\frac{c_M}{2\Omega_{\Lambda,0}} \ln \frac{1+z}{\Omega_{m,0}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{\Lambda,0}} \right]$$

► **Compatible theories:**

- Modified gravity models where $\alpha_M(z)$ is linked to the evolution of the dark energy content of the Universe



Constraints from the modified GW signal

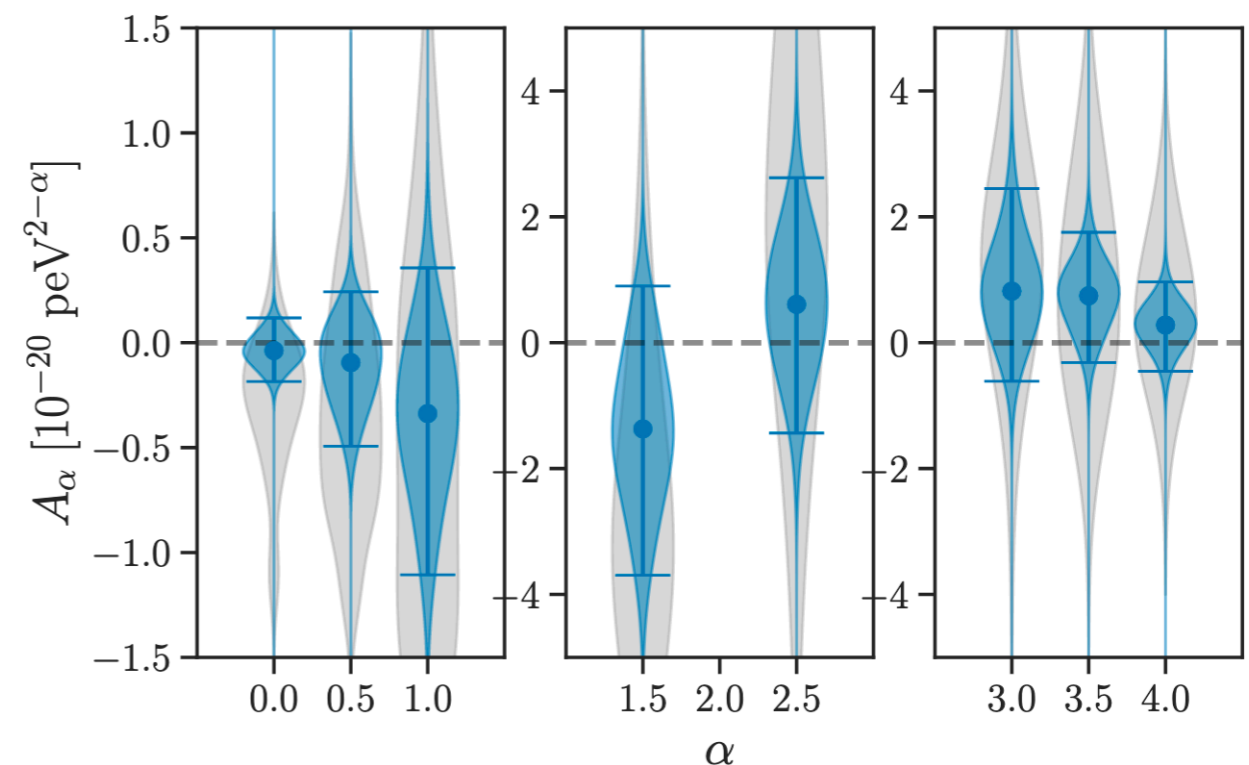
▶ **Dispersion impacts the GW signal detected by the LVC interferometers:**

◦ $h_{+, \times}^{SME} = f(A_\alpha) h_{+, \times}^{GR} + g(A_\alpha) h_{\times, +}^{GR}$

◦ The analysis of the GW signal enable to constraint the modified gravity parameters.

▶ **Current constraints on polarisation independent dispersion:**

- Best constraint on the mass of the graviton
- Constraints on a large range of alternative theories of gravitation (fractal spacetime / doubly special relativity / Hořava-Lifshitz gravity)

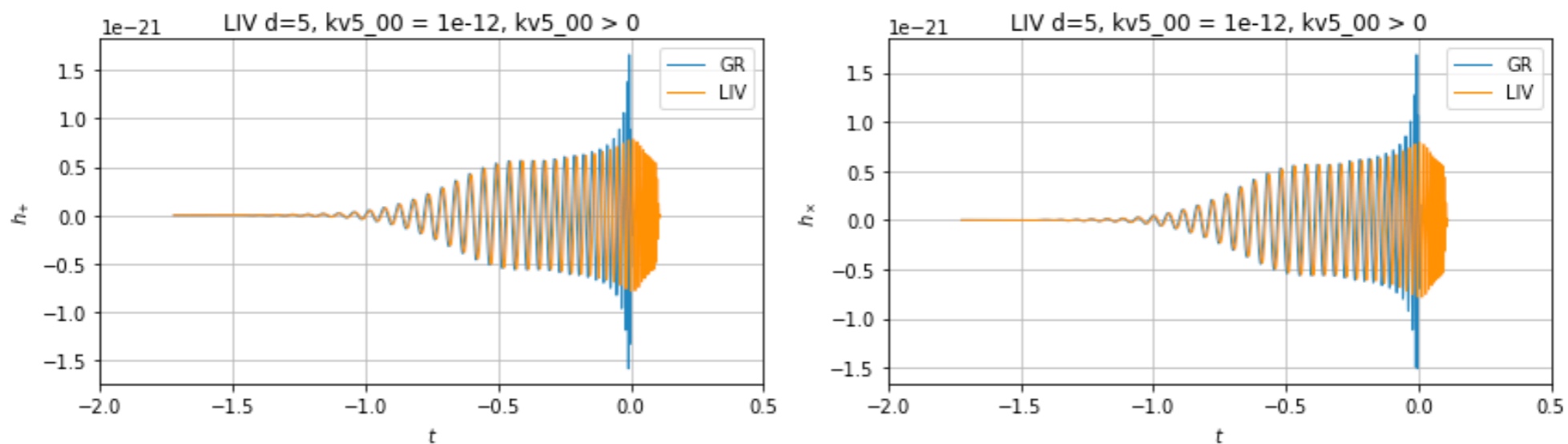


LVC [arxiv:2010.14529](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.14529)

Constraints from the modified GW signal

► Implementation of polarisation dependent dispersion:

- The modified GW signal is derived in the context of the Standard Model Extension effective field theory.
- Spacetime would be a birefringent medium for GW propagating through it
- Work in progress (Haegel, Ault-O'Neal, Tasson, Bailey)



Tasson, Haegel, Ault-O'Neal [Snowmass 2021 LOI](#)

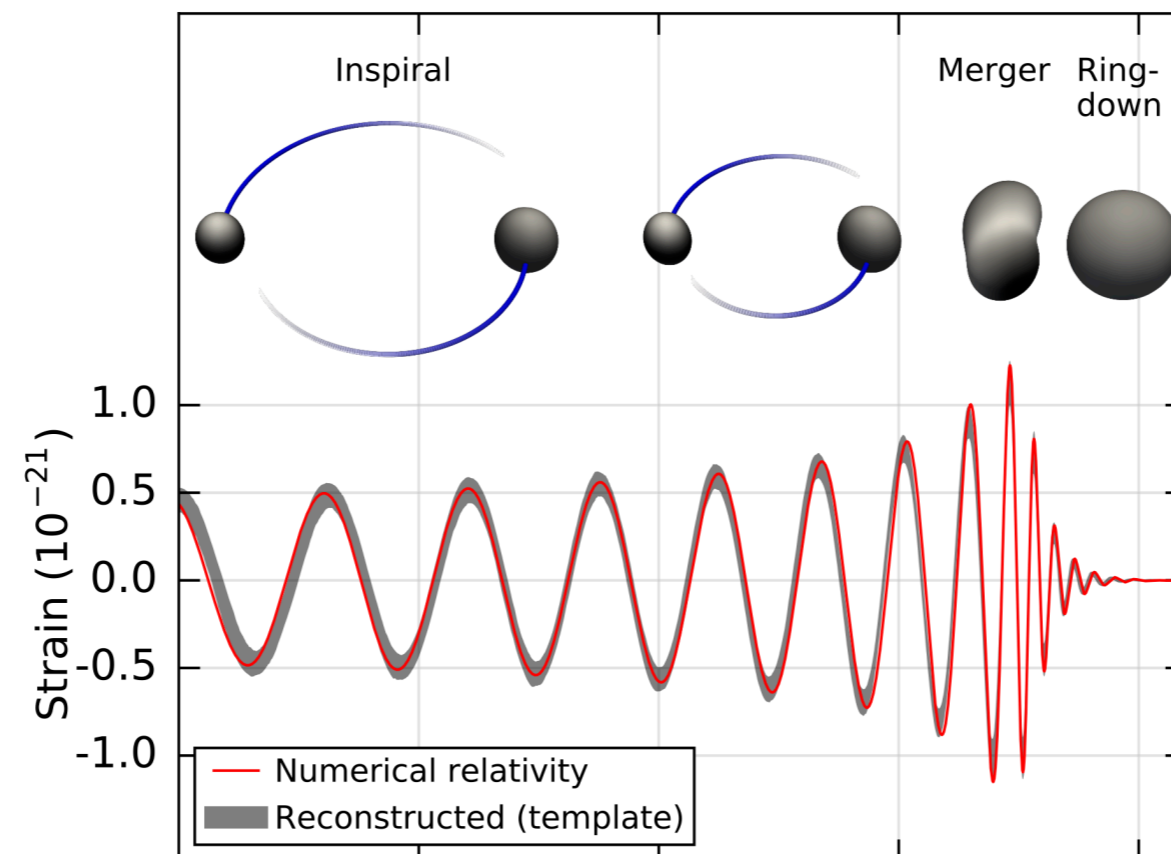
Designing accurate GW signals

- ▶ **Necessity of a template bank of GW signals:** matched filtering algorithms and modelled search need to compare the data stream to templates
- ▶ **GW modelling:** approximate templates of GW signals as numerical relativity simulations are too computationally intensive

inspiral, weak field

can be modelled with post-Newtonian formalism or effective one-body approach

merger, strong field
requires numerical relativity



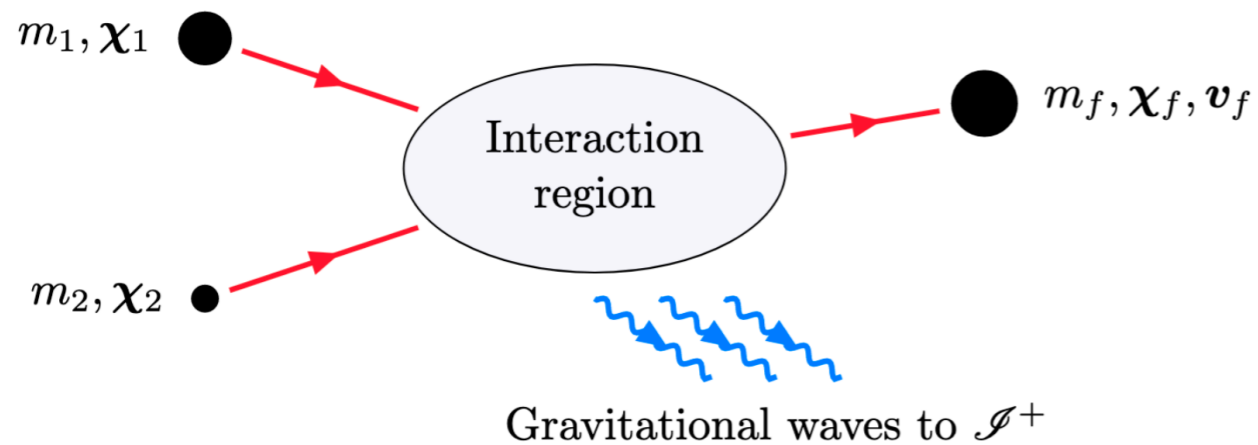
ringdown, strong to weak field

can be modelled as a sum of damped sin waves

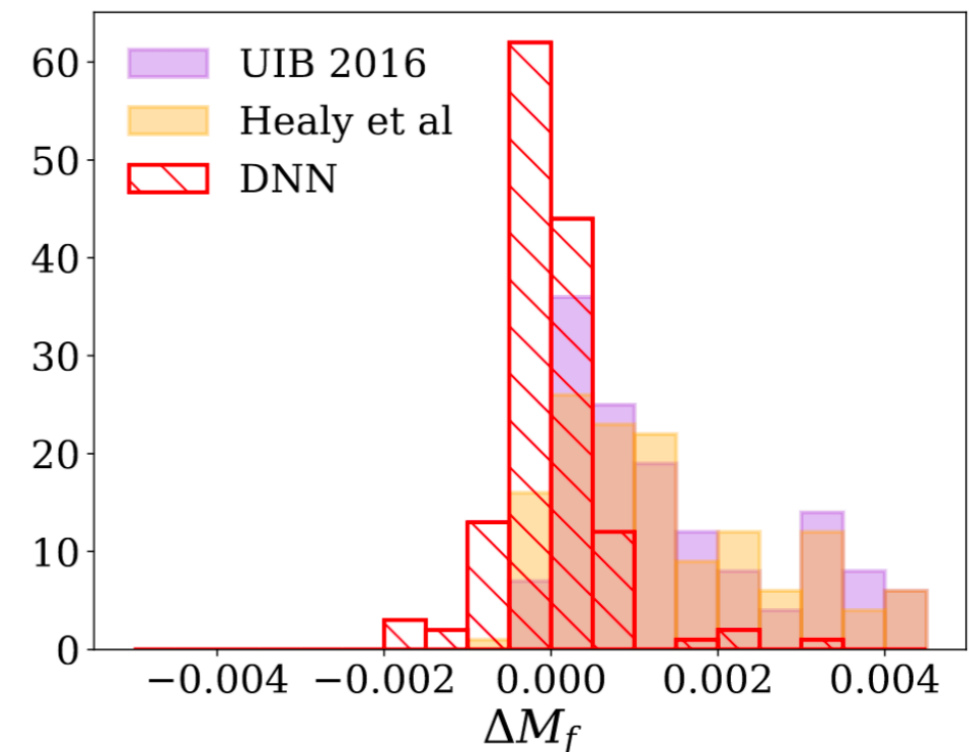
Source: LVC

Predicting the remnant black holes parameters

- ▶ **Training a neural network to predict the remnant black holes properties:**
 - Final black holes properties (mass, spin) are important for GW modelling
 - Current predictions approximate the black hole spin effects (precession)
 - Neural networks are powerful to predict the final properties for large-dimension systems



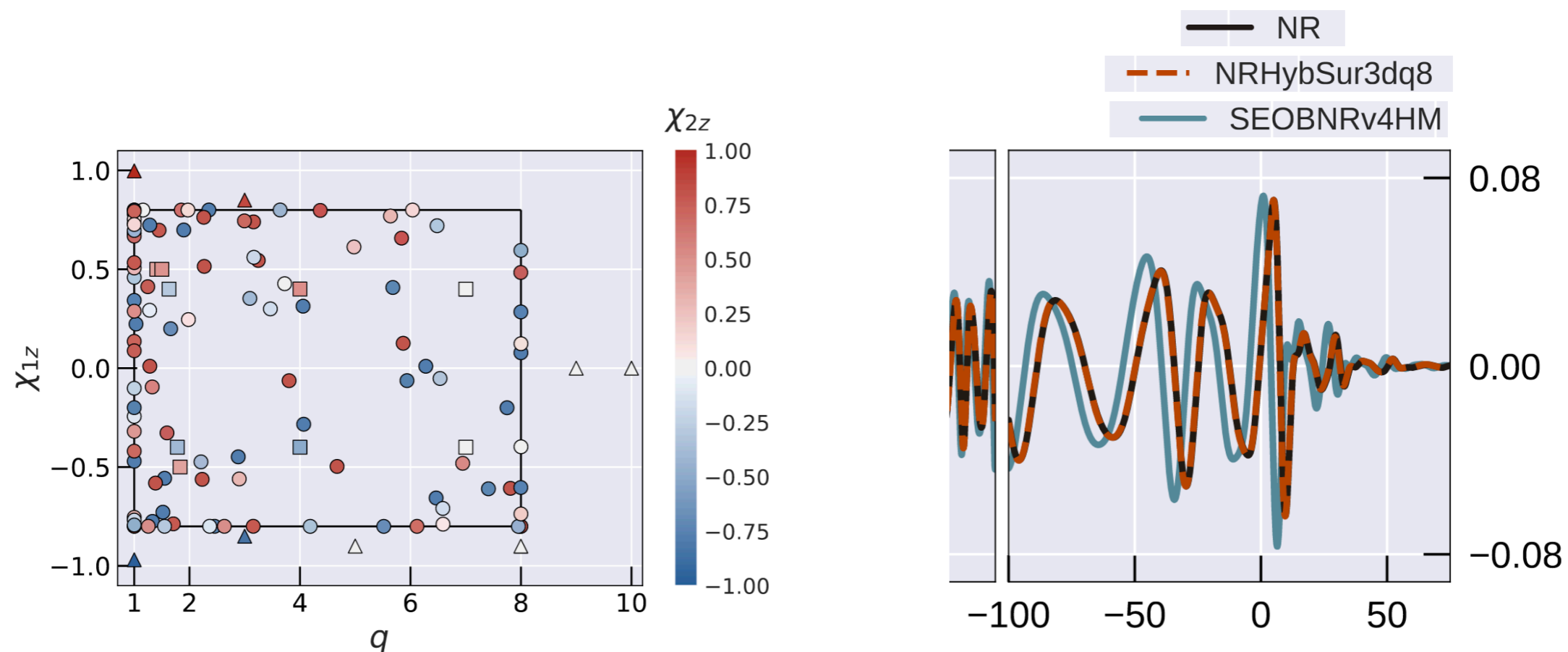
Varma et al [arXiv:1809.09125](https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.09125)



Haegel & Husa [arXiv:1911.01496](https://arxiv.org/abs/1911.01496)

Generating GW templates with non-parametric methods

- ▶ **Novel methods present accurate generation of GW template signals:**
 - Use non-parametric methods such as Gaussian Processes to interpolate numerical relativity simulations
 - Current applications offer precise templates for precessing binary systems, models to be developed further
 - Important for a large range of GW astrophysics analyses



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Thank you for your attention

