Three-body effects in waveforms

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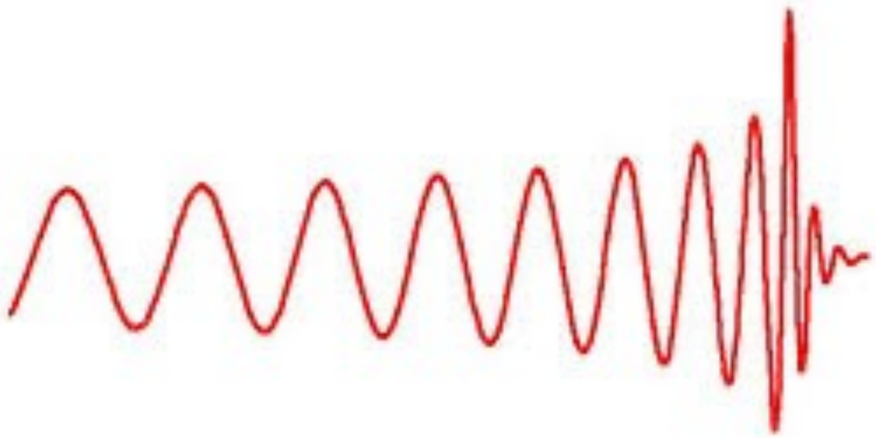

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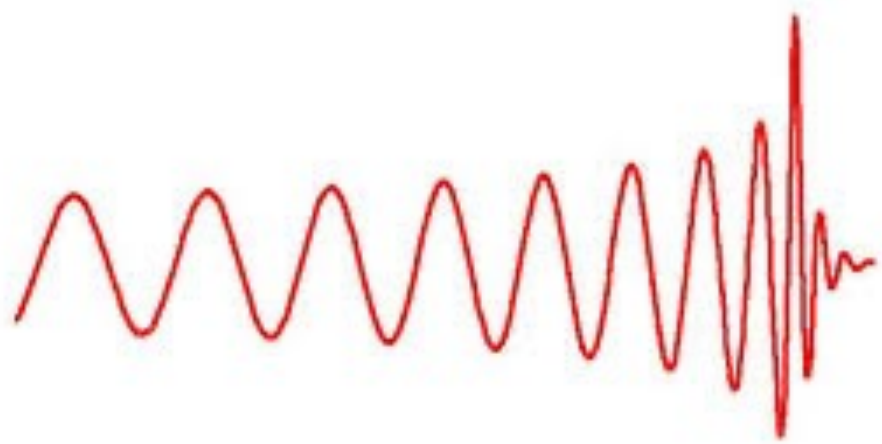

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Three-body systems are also quite common !

- 90% of low-mass binaries are expect to belong to a ‘hierarchical’ triple system

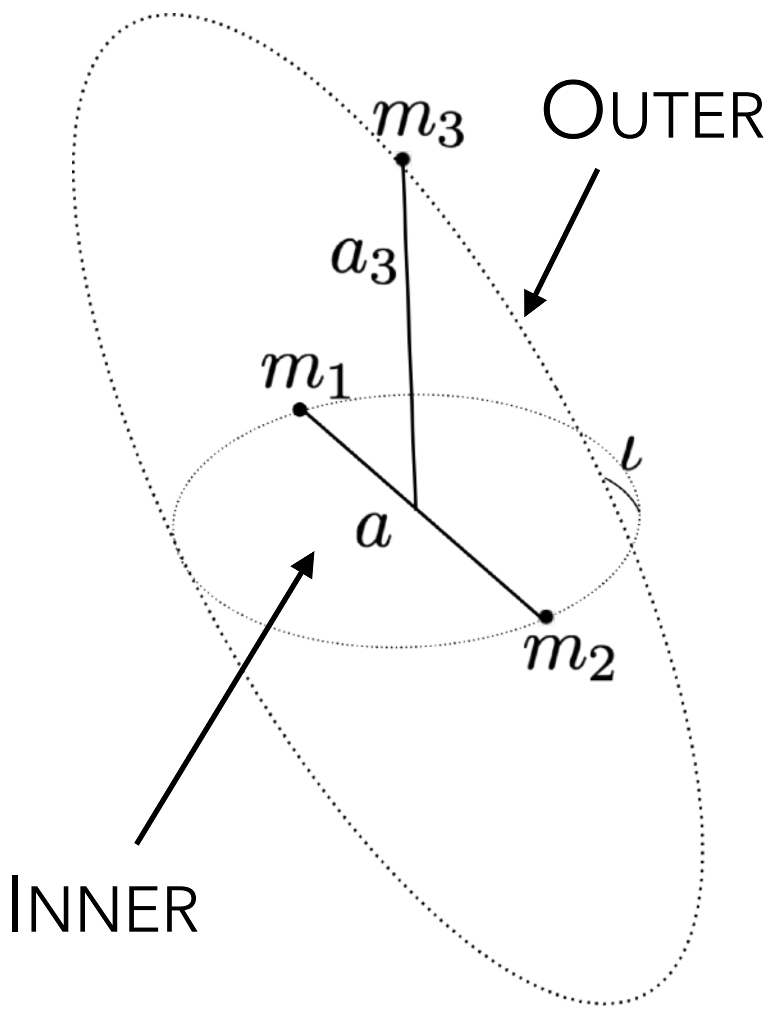
Tokovinin et al. 2006

- ‘Migration traps’ around SMBH at $R \sim 20 - 600 R_{\rm sch}$

Bellovary et al. 2015

Can we detect and measure parameters of the third body from waveform ?

Hierarchical three-body systems



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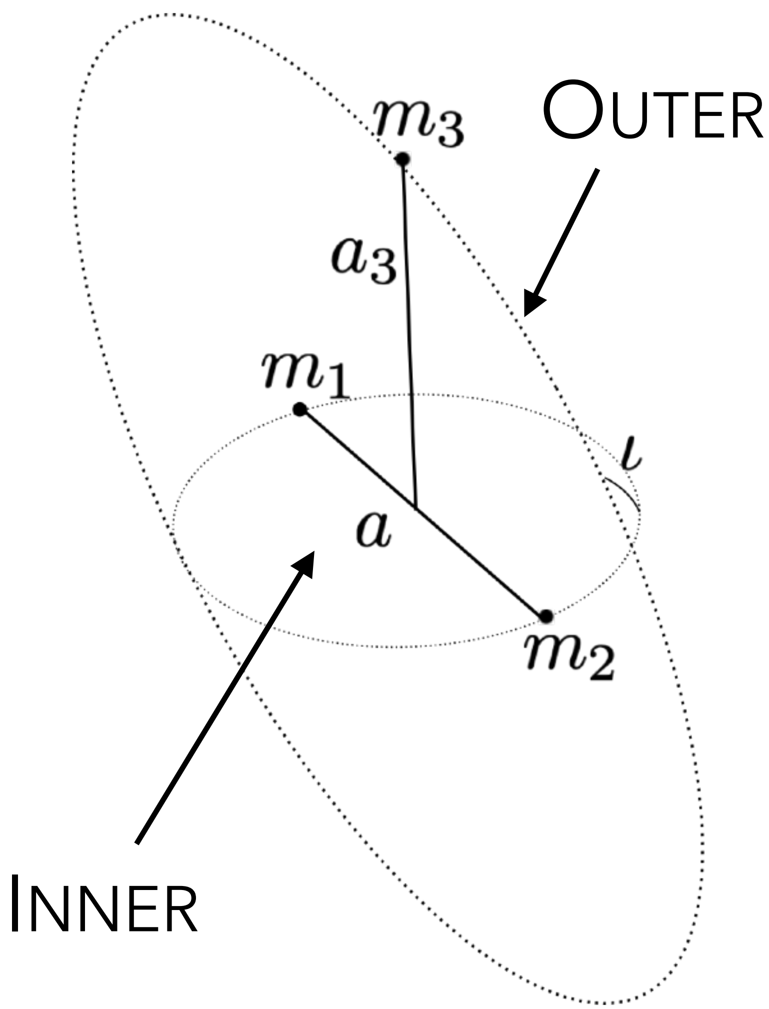

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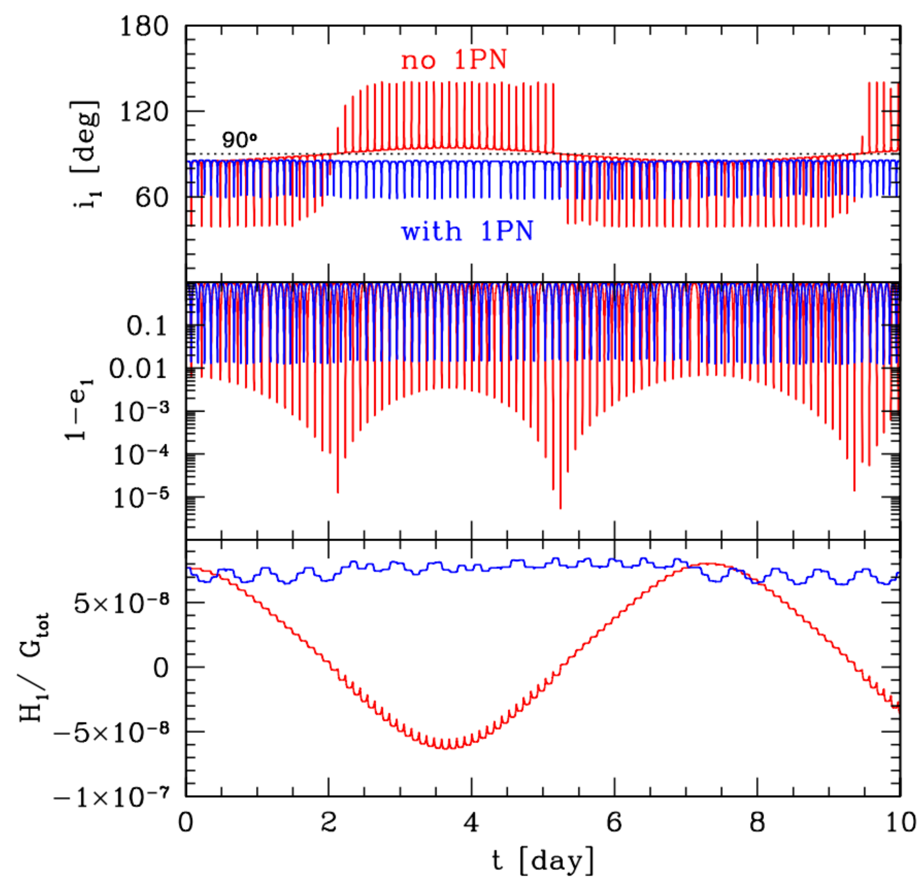
Timescales:

- $t_{\rm quad}$ Kozai-Lidov oscillations
- $t_{\rm PN}$ Perihelion precession



Naoz et al 2013

Outer object cannot influence the eccentricity of very relativistic inner binary

DOPPLER EFFECT

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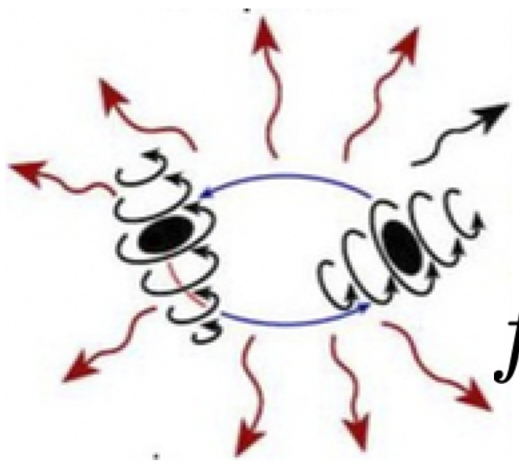

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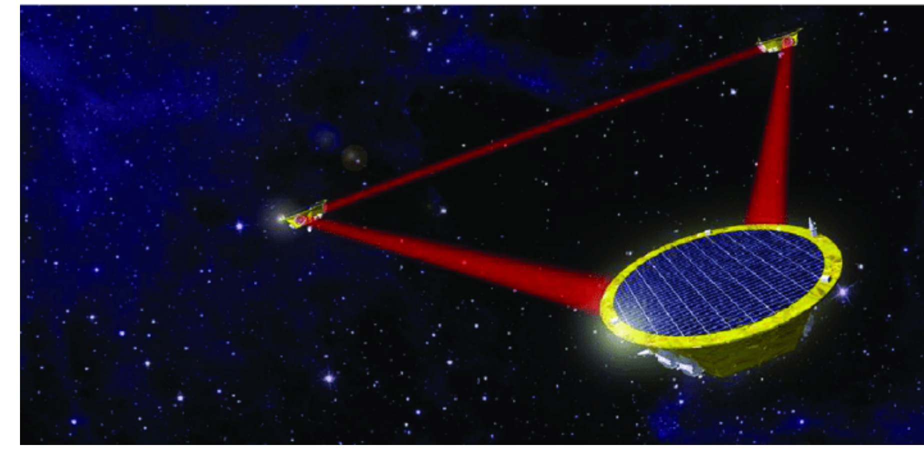

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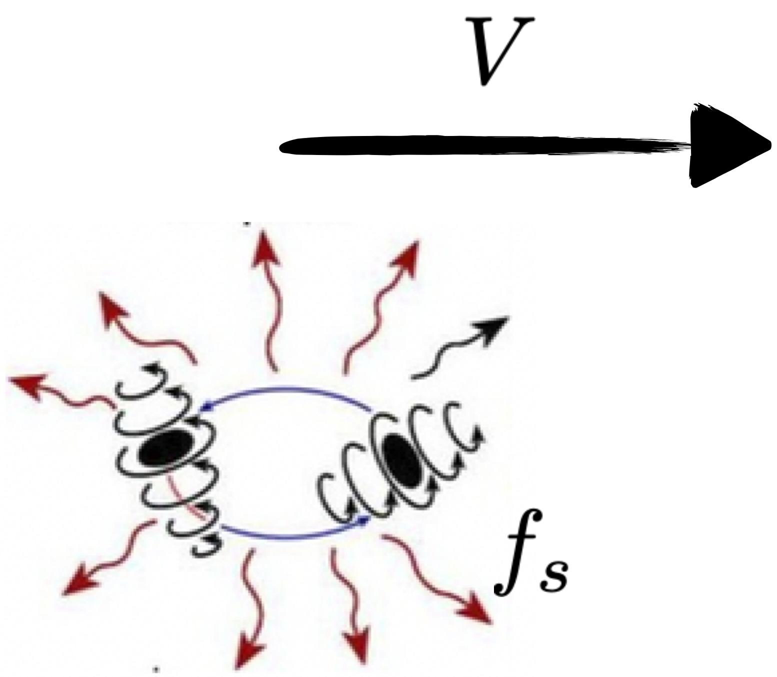

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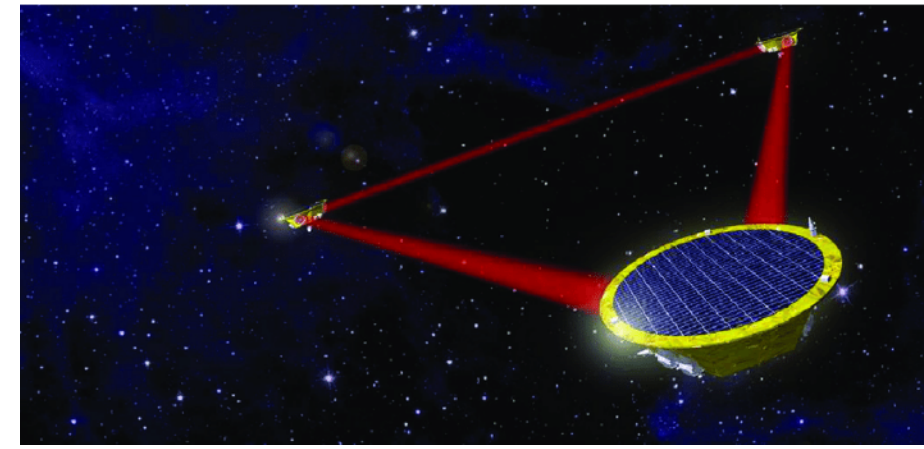

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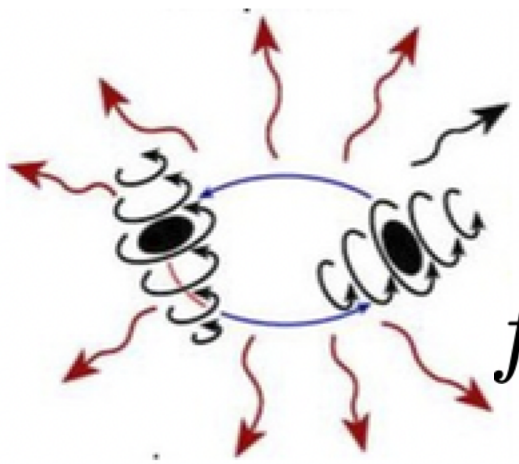

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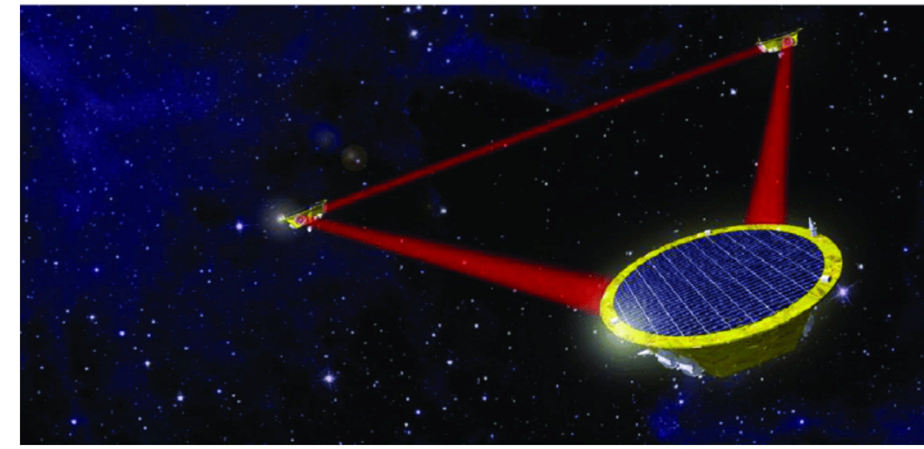

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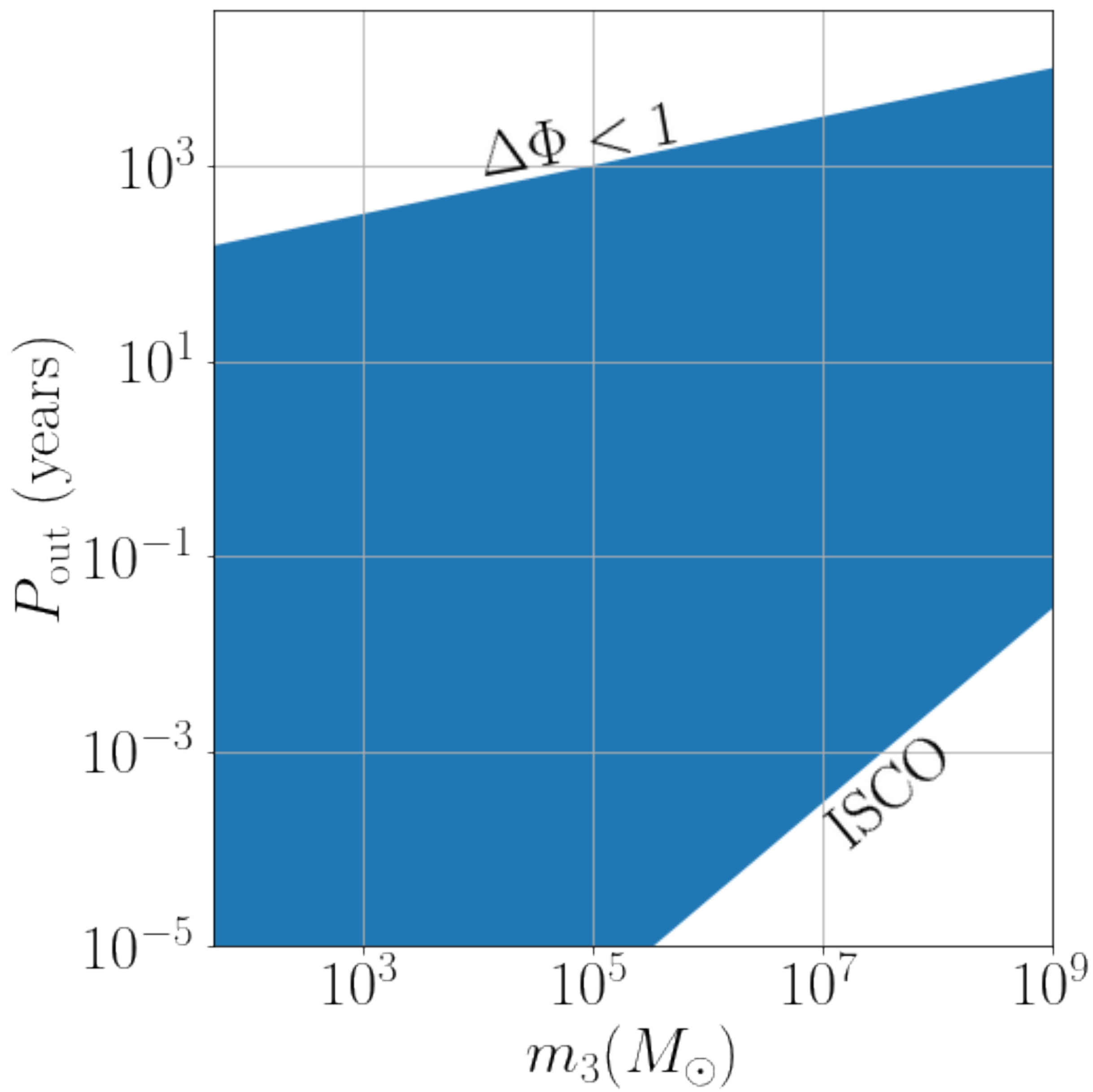
Phase shift: $\Phi = 2\int \mathrm{d}t\; f_s(1+V) \sim 2\int \mathrm{d}t\; f_s\left(1+|V|t/P_{\rm out}\right)$

A « -4PN » effect since $t_{\rm coal} - t = \dfrac{5Gm}{256\nu}\left(\dfrac{Gm}{a}\right)^{-4}$

Doppler phase in LISA

$$\Delta\Phi \sim |V| \frac{T_{\rm obs}}{P_{\rm out}} f_s T_{\rm obs} \sim \left(\frac{GM}{P_{\rm out}^4}\right)^{1/3} f_s T_{\rm obs}^2$$



For $m = 50 M_\odot$ that will merge within $T_{\rm obs} = 4\text{yr}$

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- If the perturber is close enough (e.g. $P_{\rm out} \lesssim T_{\rm obs}$), one has to take into account other effects for accurate waveform modelling ! (i.e. solving a relativistic three-body problem)

These two shortcomings may cure each other !

Relativistic three-body problem

GR corrections at 1PN

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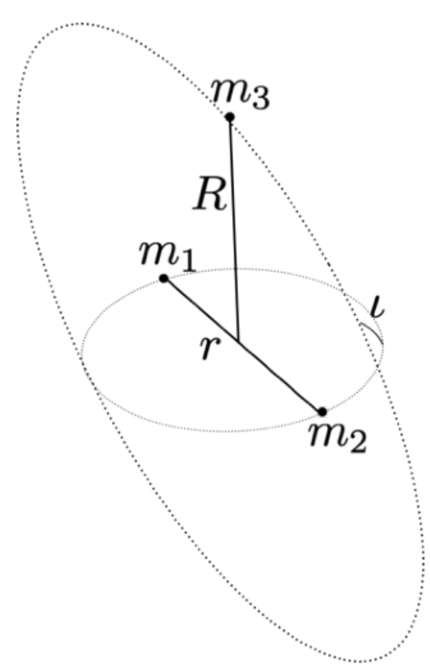

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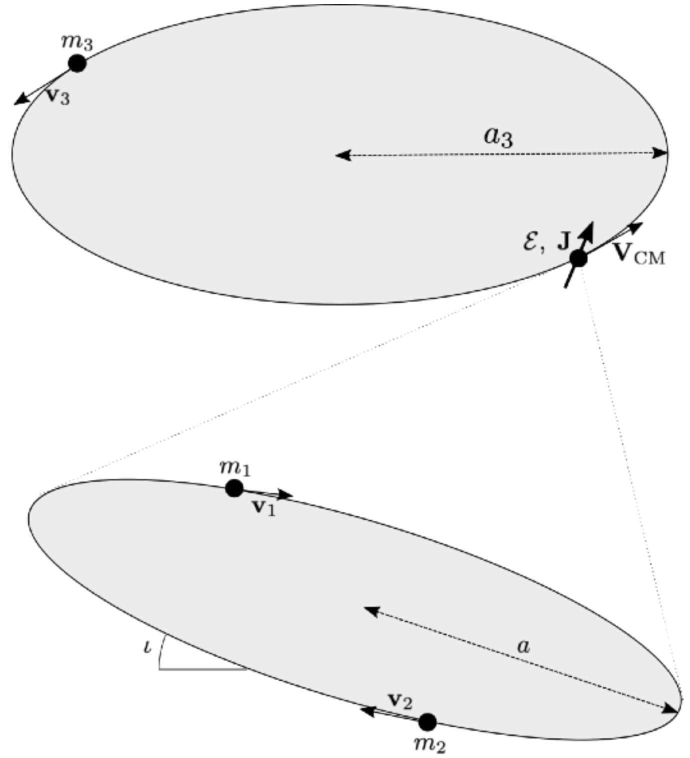
The 'intuitive' way: 'EFFECTIVE TWO-BODY'   AK, F. Serra, E. Trincherini 2021



3-body motion = 2-body with spin !

The binary EFT

AK, F. Serra, E. Trincherini 2021

Proper time

$$\mathscr{L}_{\text{full}} = \sum_{A=1}^{3} - m_A \sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu} v_A^\mu v_A^\nu} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathscr{L}_{\text{EFT}} = -\mathscr{E}\sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu}V^\mu_{\text{CM}}V^\nu_{\text{CM}}} + \frac{1}{2}J_{\mu\nu}\Omega^{\mu\nu} - m_3\sqrt{-g_{\mu\nu}v_3^\mu v_3^\nu}$$

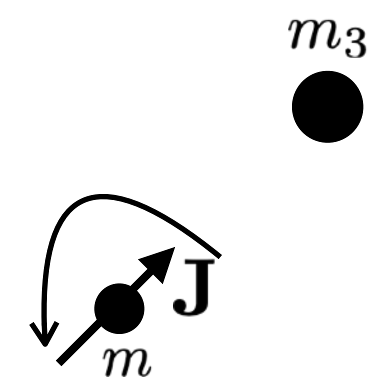
The equivalence principle fixes nearly everything!

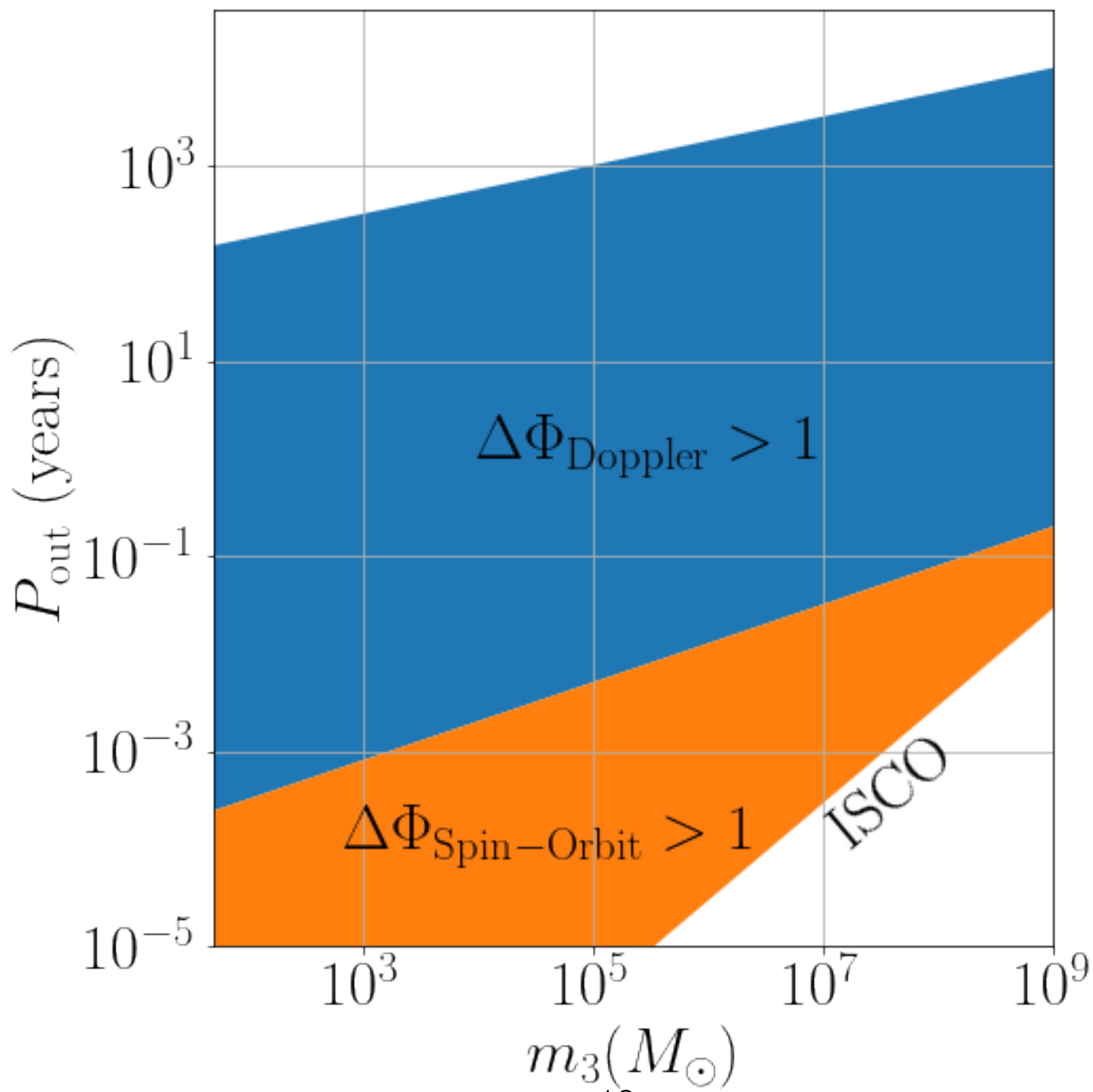
$$\mathscr{E} = m - \frac{G_N m\mu}{2a}\,, \qquad J_{ij} = \epsilon_{ijk}J^k\,, \quad \Omega_{ij} = \epsilon_{ijk}\Omega^k\,, \qquad \mathbf{J} = \sqrt{G_N m a(1-e^2)}\;\hat{\mathbf{j}}\,, \qquad \mathbf{\Omega} = \hat{\mathbf{e}} \times \dot{\hat{\mathbf{e}}}$$

$\hat{\mathbf{e}} \equiv$ Unit Runge-Lenz vector

SPIN-ORBIT COUPLING

$$\mathcal{H}_{\rm SO} = \frac{4m+3m_3}{2m}\frac{G}{a_3^3(1-e_3^2)^{3/2}}\mathbf{J}\cdot\mathbf{J}_3$$





Yu&Chen 2020

Conclusions

- LISA will see triple effects in waveforms
- Doppler effect can be probed for perturber at large distance but mass is degenerate with inclination
- Further relativistic three-body effects may allow to break this degeneracy