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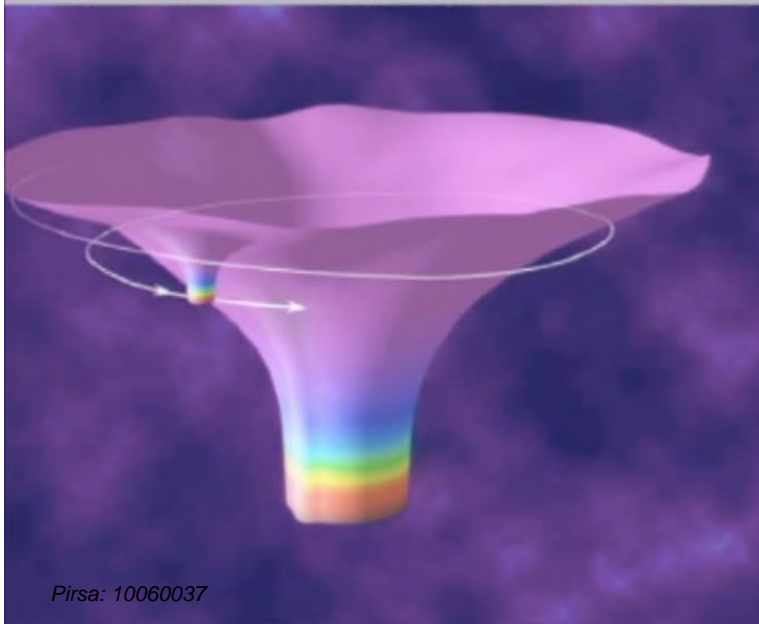
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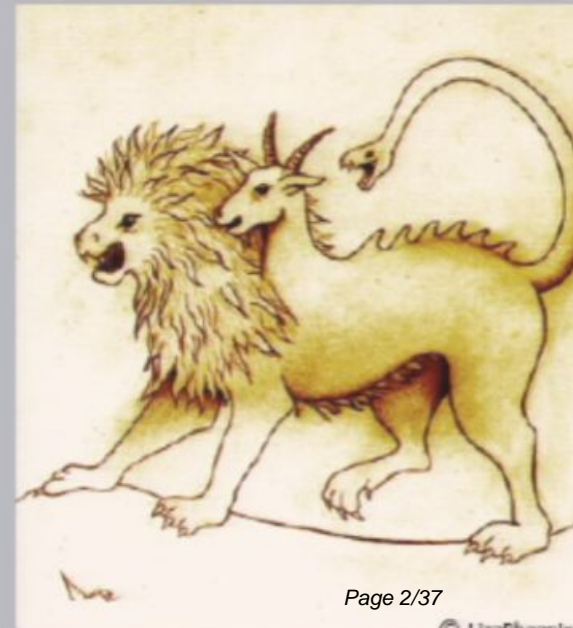
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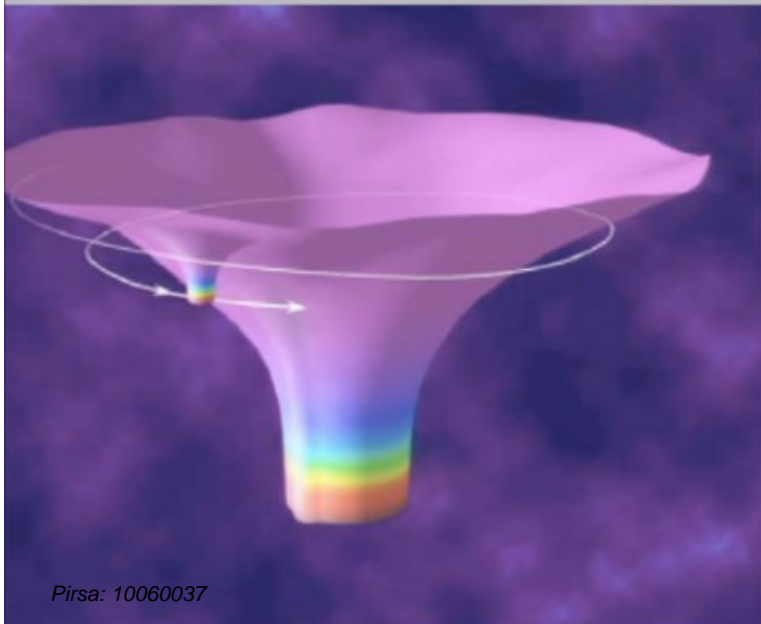
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EMRIs are one of the main sources of GWs for LISA. The parameters of interest are:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} m \sim 1 - 30 M_{\odot} \\ M_{\bullet} \sim 10^5 - 10^7 M_{\odot} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \mu = \frac{m}{M_{\bullet}} \sim 10^{-7} - 10^{-3}$$

The number of orbital cycles of an EMRI during the last year before plunge (inside the LISA band) is:

$$N_{\text{cycles}} \sim 10^5 - 10^6$$

Then, it is clear that we cannot produce EMRI waveform template banks from the best methods presently available (self-force, Teukolsky + radiative approximation).

Motivation

Therefore, we need an approximate scheme that captures the essential characteristics of the EMRI dynamics (in particular coming from self-force calculations) in such a way that it can produce accurate waveforms in an efficient way.

Apart from their use for Data Analysis purposes, these approximate waveforms can also be used for parameter-estimation purposes.

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Numerical Kludge [Babak et al (2007); Gair & Glampedakis (2006)]: Kerr geodesics + pN fluxes + Multipolar waveforms

A new Method: The Chímpera Scheme

← In Greek mythology, the Chímpera was a monstrous fire-breathing creature of Lycia (in Asia Minor), composed of the parts of multiple animals: upon the body of a lioness with a tail that terminated in a snake's head, the head of a goat arose on her back at the center of her spine.



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← The term chímpera has also come to mean, more generally, an impossible or foolish fantasy, hard to believe... [Wikipedia]

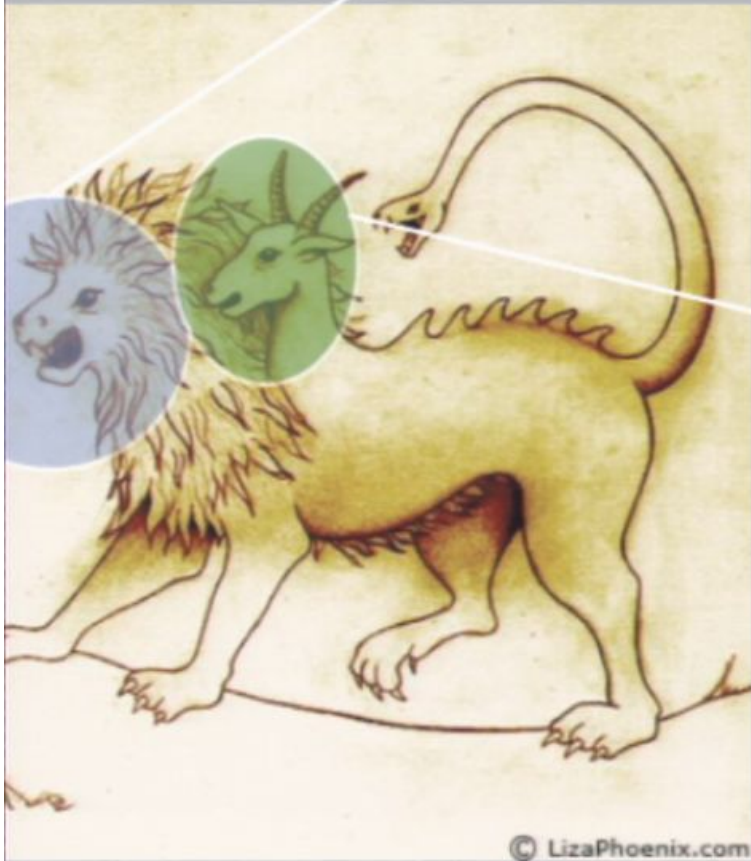
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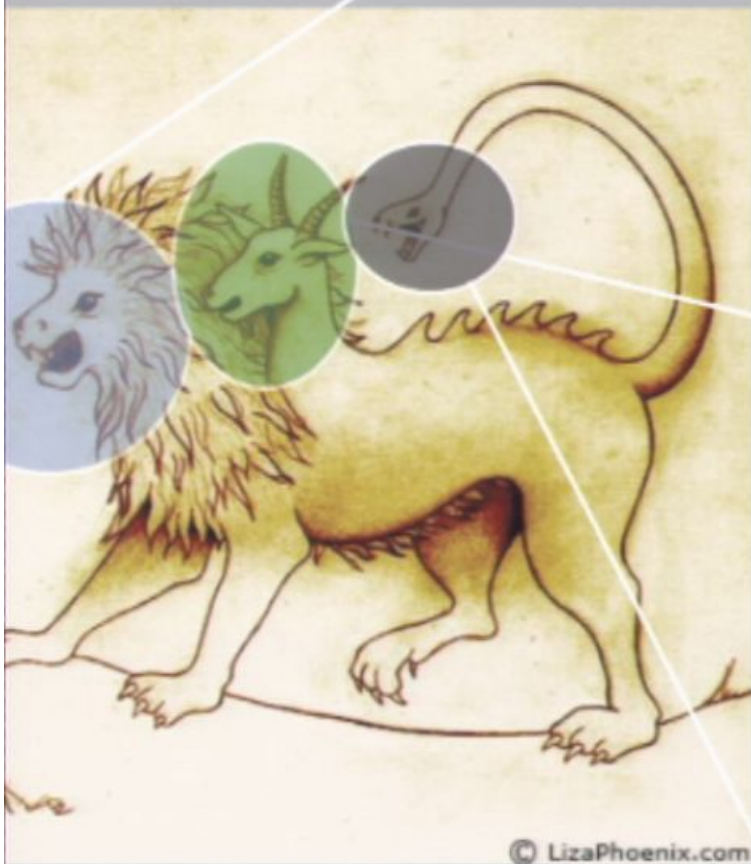


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[Blanchet & Damour (1984); Iyer & Will (1995); Blanchet (1997)]

* Basic Idea: To determine the gravitational field both at the “near zone” and the “exterior zone” and to match the two solutions at the overlapping region. These solutions for the gravitational fields are expanded in G (post-Minkowskian expansion) and in harmonics (multipoles).

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* Using the half retarded minus half advanced solution, the matching of the solutions provides an expression for a dissipative (radiative) self-force.

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* At 1PN order, the radiative self-force is determined from a scalar and a vector radiation-reaction potentials:

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* Kerr geodesics + Harmonic Coordinates: An alternative to this is to use Asymptotically Cartesian and Mass Centered coordinates (ACMC) [Thorne 1980]

* This may be a convenient path to deal with the case in which the massive object is not described by the Kerr metric.

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* Multipolar Expansion of the Gravitational waveforms [Thorne (1980)]

$$h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = \frac{4}{r} \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \left[\frac{1}{\ell!} \mathfrak{M}_{ij I_{\ell-2}}^{(\ell)}(t-r) N_{I_{\ell-2}} + \frac{2\ell}{(\ell+1)!} \varepsilon_{kl(i} \mathfrak{J}_{j)k I_{\ell-1}}^{(\ell)}(t-r) n_l N_{I_{\ell-2}} \right]^{\text{TT}}$$

* Here, we also use harmonic coordinates (improving over the procedure of the Numerical Kludge waveforms).

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✦ General Procedure, Step by Step: For initial data $(x_0, y_0, z_0) \in (p, e, i) / (E, L_z, C)$

I) Evolution of the Geodesic Equation from a time step Δt (in harmonic coordinates).

II) Evaluation of the dissipative self-force.

III) Estimation of the change in the constants of motion (E, L_z, C)

$$\dot{E} = -\Gamma^{-1} u^\mu \nabla_\mu \left(\xi_\mu^{(t)} u^\mu \right) = -\Gamma^{-1} \xi_\mu^{(t)} a_{\text{RR}}^\mu,$$

$$\dot{L}_z \equiv \Gamma^{-1} u^\mu \nabla_\mu \left(\xi_\mu^{(\phi)} u^\mu \right) = \Gamma^{-1} \xi_\mu^{(\phi)} a_{\text{RR}}^\mu,$$

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IV) Evaluation of the waveforms (can be done at any time).

V) Go back to (I).

* Note: Since our self-force is not averaged over a number of orbital cycles, this procedure can be applied, in principle, for an arbitrary time step.

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- * The only difficulty is to evaluate the numerical time derivatives that enter in the self-force: up to eight-order derivatives (six-order if we use analytical expressions for the second-order derivatives of the multipole moments). This requires high-order differentiation rules and the use of Richardson extrapolation (in part to check the accuracy).

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- * We are currently generating waveforms with the goal of comparing with other approximate approaches (Numerical Kludge, Teukolsky, EOB).
- * We want to study the evolution of the “constants of motion” and compare with several approximations in the literature.

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