#### A non-spinning effective-one-body Hamiltonian for smallmass-ratio binaries in a quasi-circular orbit

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- Comparisons against numerical-relativity (NR) predictions.

• Conclusions.

#### Motivation



• Why is it important to include as much analytical information as possible in the EOB approach?

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• Real two-body problem solutions are mapped to an effective description of an effective mass in a geodesic around a *deformed* Schwarzschild (or Kerr) background:



• The *energy map* is the central resummation in EOB theory. In the standard (DJS) gauge, the effective Hamiltonian reads [Buonanno, Damour 1998 & Damour, Jaranowski, Schäfer, 2001,2014]:

$$\frac{H_{\text{eff}}}{\mu} = \sqrt{A(u,\nu)} [1 + p_{\phi}^2 u^2 + A(u,\nu)D(u,\nu)^{-1}p_r^2 + Q_{\text{DJS}}(u,p_r,\nu)]$$

Information from approximations to two-body problem in GR (so far, SMR information is added here)

Non-geodesic term starting at 3PN. Gauge choice: does not depend on angular momentum

#### Interface between EOB and SMR approximation

- Two approaches to include SF information into the EOB potentials:
- 1) They can be informed by high-PN coefficients inspired by SF quantities: Detweiler redshift [Kavanagh, Bini, Damour, Geralico et al.], periastron advance [Le Tiec, Warburton et al.], self-tides [Dolan, Nagar, Akcay et al.].
- 2) They can be specified semi-analytically. <u>Example</u>: SMR correction to the *A* potential via the Detweiler redshift  $\Delta z(u)$  [Le Tiec et al. 2011, Barausse et al. 2011, Akcay et al. 2012]:

$$A(u,\nu) = 1 - 2u + \nu \left[ \Delta z(u) \sqrt{1 - 3u} - u \left( 1 + \underbrace{1 - 4u}_{\sqrt{1 - 3u}} \right) \right]$$
  
Trouble at the LR!

- Divergence is a coordinate singularity due to the use of the DJS gauge [Akcay et al., 2012].
- The EOB binding energy for circular orbits scales as:  $E_{\text{bind}}^{\text{EOB}} \propto A(u,\nu)p_{\phi}^2 \propto A(u,\nu)(1-3u)^{-1}$
- The SF binding energy scales as:  $E_{\rm bind}^{\rm SF} \propto (1-3u)^{-3/2}$
- Matching SF and EOB binding energies, divergence leaks into the *A* potential, which then appears in the EOB Hamiltonian for *generic orbits*.

#### Alternative gauge

- In the DJS gauge, we are forced to have a  $p_{\phi}^2$  term in the geodesic part of the Hamiltonian.
- The post-Schwarzschild (PS) gauge, used for PM calculations in [Damour 2016, Damour 2017, Antonelli et al. 2019] can be used. The Hamiltonian in PS form is:

• Hamiltonian in this gauge depends on the new variable  $H_{\rm S}$ .

*Our strategy:* 

• It is regular for generic orbits, but it diverges at the LR for circular orbits:

$$H_{\rm S} = \sqrt{(1-2u)[1+p_{\phi}^2u^2 + (1-2u)p_r^2]} \xrightarrow{p_r = 0} H_{\rm S}^{\rm circ} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{u(1-3u)}} H_{\rm S}^{\rm circ} = \frac{1-2u}{\sqrt{1-3u}}$$

• Key idea: push divergence of the EOB SMR Hamiltonian into  $H_{\rm S}$ . In this way, we will recover the divergence *only* for circular orbits.

Circular-orbit self-force information in the post-Schwarzschild gauge

• We want to link the Detweiler redshift to the EOB effective potential. We split it as follows:

$$\Delta z(u) = \frac{1}{(1-3u)^{3/2}} \left[ z_0(u) + z_1(u)\sqrt{1-3u} + z_2(u) \ln\left(\frac{(1-2u)^4}{(1-3u)^2}\right) \right]$$

• This motivates the following ansatz for the EOB SMR effective Hamiltonian:

$$H_{\text{eff}} = \sqrt{H_{\text{S}}^2(u, p_{\phi}, p_r) + Q_{\text{SMR}}(u, H_{\text{S}}, \nu)}$$

 $Q_{\rm SMR}(u, H_{\rm S}, \nu) = (1 - 2u)\nu [f_0(u)H_{\rm S}^5 + f_1(u)H_{\rm S}^2 + f_2(u)H_{\rm S}^3\ln H_{\rm S}^4]$ 

- We obtain the circular-orbit limit of the above at linear order in the mass ratio, in terms of the gauge-independent frequency  $x: E_{\text{bind}}^{\text{EOB}}(x, \nu)$ .
- The SF binding energy in the same limit,  $E_{\text{bind}}^{\text{SF}}(x, z_{\text{SMR}}, \nu)$ , is given by [Le Tiec et al., 2011].
- Matching the two at fixed frequency and imposing analyticity of *f*-functions, we get:

$$f_0 = \frac{1 - 3u}{(1 - 2u)^2} \left[ \frac{z_0(u)}{(1 - 2u)^3} - \frac{1 - 4u}{(1 - 2u)^3} \right] \qquad f_1 = \frac{z_1(u) - u}{(1 - 2u)^2} \qquad f_2 = \frac{z_2(u)}{(1 - 2u)^3}$$

#### One way to add non-circular-orbit PN information

• Generic Hamiltonian in the PS gauge are known at 3PN order:

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{3\text{PN}}^{\text{PS}} = & 3\nu u^2 Y + 5\nu u^3 + \left(3\nu - \frac{9}{4}\nu^2\right)u^2 Y^2 + \left(27\nu - \frac{23}{4}\nu^2\right)u^3 Y \\ & + \left(\frac{175}{3}\nu - \frac{41\pi^2}{32}\nu - \frac{7}{2}\nu^2\right)u^4 \end{aligned}$$

PN parameters:

$$\begin{array}{l} Y \equiv (H_{\rm S}^2 - 1) \sim \mathcal{O}(1/c^2) \\ u \equiv GM/rc^2 \end{array}$$

• They contain non-circular orbit information which is not captured by the matching of binding energies. We include extra PN information in a resummed term of the form:

$$Q_{\rm SMR-3PN} = Q_{\rm SMR} + \Delta Q_{\rm PN}$$
, with  $\Delta Q_{\rm PN} = \Delta Q_{\rm extra} - \Delta Q_{\rm count}$ 

- The first term is fixed taking the difference between the EOB 3PN Hamiltonian in the PS gauge above and the PN limit of the EOB SMR Hamiltonian:
- The second term ensures that the above result does not contribute to the linear-in-mass-ratio circular-orbit binding energy.

$$\Delta Q_{\text{extra}} = 3\nu u^2 Y + \left(3\nu - \frac{9}{4}\nu^2\right)u^2 Y^2 + 3\nu u^3$$
$$\left(22\nu - \frac{23}{4}\nu^2\right)u^3 Y + \left(16\nu - \frac{7}{2}\nu^2\right)u^4$$

$$\Delta Q_{\rm count} = \nu (9u^3 Y^2 + 96u^4 Y + 112u^5)$$

#### Evolutions of EOB Hamiltonians

• For a generic EOB Hamiltonian  $H(r, p_{\phi}, p_{r_*})$ , the Hamilton's equation are:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\phi}{d\hat{t}} &= \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{p}_{\phi}} & \frac{d\hat{r}}{d\hat{t}} &= \frac{A(\hat{r})}{\sqrt{D(\hat{r})}} \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{p}_{r_{*}}} \\ \frac{d\hat{p}_{\phi}}{d\hat{t}} &= \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{RR}} & \frac{d\hat{p}_{r_{*}}}{d\hat{t}} &= -\frac{A(\hat{r})}{\sqrt{D(\hat{r})}} \frac{\partial H}{\partial \hat{r}} + \mathcal{F}_{\mathrm{RR}} \frac{\hat{p}_{r_{*}}}{\hat{p}_{\phi}} \end{aligned}$$

- The equations are augmented with a resummed "radiation reaction" flux from the SEOBNR family.
- We *do not* include NQC's or calibration terms for easier comparisons.
- Unphysical behaviour associated to the LR divergence in the DJS gauge is not there in the PS gauge.



#### Phasing studies I: waveform alignment

- We want to assess the usefulness of SMR information. We perform a phasing study [for the leading (2,2) mode] between SMR and PN models against NR predictions.
- Alignment procedure. Minimise the following function for  $\Delta t$  and  $\Delta \phi$  [Pan et al. 2011]:

$$\Xi(\Delta t, \Delta \phi) = \int_{t_1^{\text{alig}}}^{t_2^{\text{alig}}} [\phi_{\text{NR}}(t) - \phi_{\text{EOB}}(t + \Delta t) - \Delta \phi]^2 dt \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} h_{22}^{\text{NR}} &= A_{\text{NR}}(t) \exp^{i\phi_{\text{NR}}(t)} \\ h_{22}^{\text{EOB}} &= A_{\text{EOB}}(t + \Delta t) \exp^{i\phi_{\text{EOB}}(t + \Delta t) + \Delta \phi} \end{aligned}$$

 We compare our waveforms to a set of 10 SXS simulations (1/10<q<1) [Boyle et al. 2019]. The alignment window encompasses the same number of GW cycles for each simulation (3 orbits, in red)



$q^{-1}$	$N_{ m orb}^{ m merg}$	$t_{ m in}^{ m alig}$	$t_{ m fin}^{ m alig}$	$t_{ m merg}$
1	28.18	5649	7044	9517
2	15.68	29	1356	3728
3	15.64	15	1254	3514
4	15.59	0	1164	3326
<b>5</b>	28.81	4634	5748	7864
6	21.56	1819	2877	4891
7	19.68	1164	2180	4142
8	25.83	3028	4013	5956
9	18.93	874	1824	3692
10	19.27	938	1860	3691
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• Post-alignment results:

- *Top panel*: real part of the inspiral waveform for SMR models against the NR prediction.
- Bottom panel: accumulated de-phasing of SMR and PN models against NR, up to NR merger.
- Good agreement of SMR models up to few (NR) orbits to merger.

### Phasing studies III: $\Delta \phi$ vs q



- We can look at the accumulated de-phasing few orbits before merger, and make comparisons across mass ratios.
- SMR-3PN model improves the modelling of the inspiral from  $q\sim 1/3$  (when compared to the best-performing EOB-PN model).
- Results are robust against changes in the number of orbits before merger at which de-phasing is calculated and against changes in the time-alignment window.

#### Conclusions

#### Take-home points:

- We have a proof-of-principle EOBSMR model for non-spinning systems in a quasi-circular inspiraling orbit.
- SMR information shows great promise to improve the modelling of systems with q<1/3 (when inserted in the EOB formalism).
- Self-force program is very useful for LIGO and 3G studies, not just for LISA.

#### Outstanding issues:

- The non-geodesic function of the Hamiltonian in the PS gauge is not fully constrained. We need to include information from eccentric orbits to constrain its non-circular orbit sector.
   [Remarks by Barry and Leor on SF scattering calculations]
- To be used, the model must be extended to include spins and merger and ringdown must be attached. Resulting inspiral-merger-ringdown models will need to be sped up.

# Thank you!

## **Extra slides**

#### Energetics studies: $E vs \Omega$



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• With  $H_{\rm S}^5$ , the only factor changing in the Hamiltonian is the following:

$$f_0 = \frac{1-3u}{(1-2u)^2} \left[ \frac{z_0(u)}{(1-2u)^3} - \frac{1-4u}{(1-2u)^3} \right] \qquad f_1 = \frac{z_1(u)-u}{(1-2u)^2} \qquad f_2 = \frac{z_2(u)}{(1-2u)^3}$$

#### We introduce this factor

- Both  $H_{\rm S}^3$  and  $H_{\rm S}^5$  are valid solutions, because the Q-function is not fixed for generic orbits.
- We choose  $H_{\rm S}^5$  because it is the simplest modification to the  $H_{\rm S}^3$  ansatz that:

maintains the Hamiltonian real after the Schwarzschild light ring.
 smooths out the otherwise-present bumps in the EOB Hamiltonian near the LR.