# Dynamics of compact binary systems in scalar-tensor theories at the third post-Newtonian order

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## MOTIVATIONS

TESTS OF EINSTEIN'S GENERAL RELATIVITY USING GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

 We need precise gravitational waveforms for alternative theories of gravity,



### Why scalar-tensor theories?

- ▷ It passes weak-field tests, *i.e.* in the Solar System,
- > It predicts large deviation from GR in the strong-field regime,
- Hawking theorem (1976) : Binary BHs gravitational radiation indistinguishable from GR,
- ▷ Deviations from GR are expected for neutron stars.

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NEWTONIAN RESULT

$$a_{1,N}^i = -\frac{\tilde{G}\alpha m_2}{r_{12}^2} n_{12}^i$$

▷ Indistinguishable from GR, effective gravitational constant  $G_{\text{eff}} = \tilde{G}\alpha$ .

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- ▷ Done using the DIRE method (Pati & Will, 2000),
- $\triangleright\,$  To go to 2PN in the flux we need the EoM at 3PN .

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#### The method

We will use the multipolar post-Newtonian formalism, in particular the method based on a Fokker Lagrangian that was developped for the 4PN EoM in GR.

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• Buffer zone : matching between the near zone and far zone solutions :

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}(h)} = \mathcal{M}(\bar{h})$$
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### Why a Fokker Lagrangian?

- Simpler calculation, only for the conservative part,
- The "n + 2" method : we need to know the metric at only half the order we would have expected, O(n + 2) instead of O(2n + 2, 2n + 1, 2n; 2n + 2).

#### THE GRAVITATIONAL PART

- Rescaled scalar field :  $\varphi = \frac{\phi}{\phi_0}$ ,
- From the conformal metric  $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \varphi g_{\mu\nu}$  to the gothic metric  $\tilde{\mathfrak{g}}^{\mu\nu} = \sqrt{\tilde{g}}\tilde{g}^{\mu\nu}$ ,

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 $\triangleright$  depends on the scalar field through the masses and the physical metric  $g_{\alpha\beta}$ .

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 $\triangleright$  We need  $V,\,V^i$  and  $\psi_{(0)}$  at 1PN and  $R^i,\,W_{ij}$  at N,

$$\Delta W_{ij} = -\frac{4\pi G}{\phi_0} \left( \sigma_{ij} - \delta_{ij} \sigma_{kk} \right) - \partial_i V \,\partial_j V - (3 + 2\omega_0) \partial_i \psi_{(0)} \,\partial_j \psi_{(0)}$$

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### IR DIVERGENCE

ullet post-Newtonian solution valid only in the near zone  $\Longrightarrow$  divergences at infinty,

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- in GR at 3PN no contribution,
- in ST contributions at 3PN !
  - constant of regularisation  $r_0$ : does not vanish through a shift,
  - vanishes in the GR limit ( $\omega_0 \to 0$ ) and when  $s_1 = s_2$  or  $s_{1 \text{ or } 2} = \frac{1}{2}$  (BHs).

# 2- USE DIMENSIONAL REGULARISATION TO TREAT THE UV DIVERGENCES

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- Go to d spatial dimensions, with  $d = 3 + \epsilon$ .
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### Result

- No more constant  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  : ok,
- Presence of a **pole**  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$  : should vanish through a redefinition of the trajectory of the particles.

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### TEST OF THE IR DIVERGENCES

- Use dimensional regularisation also for the IR divergences to test how strong the regularisation procedure is :
  - If no difference with Hadamard : OK,
  - If different results : switch to the more powerful DimReg (for the tails also).
- Constant  $r_0 \longrightarrow \text{pole } 1/\varepsilon$ .

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### At 3PN

- Fokker Lagrangian using Hadamard regularisation,
- Some consistency checks :
  - GR limit :  $\omega_0 \to \infty \Longrightarrow$  GR result,
  - Two black hole limit :  $s_1 = s_2 = \frac{1}{2} \implies$  indistinguishable from GR.

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- ▶ Ready to use eom to be incorporated in the scalar waveform and the scalar flux at 2PN.

## CONCLUSION

### Equations of motion at 3PN in scalar-tensor theories

- First part computed using Hadamard regularisation ,
- Dimentional regularisation and investigation of the tail effect : work in progress,
- Conserved quantities : to be done.

### Prospects

- Waveform for ST theories at 2PN (inspiral phase),
- Can be EOB waveform to have the full IMR waveform,
- Do the same for other modified theories of gravity.