Measuring the peculiar acceleration of binary black holes with LISA

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## Outline

- ► The expansion of the universe and the cosmic matter inhomogeneities affect the propagation of GWs
- ▶ We identify 3 redshift-dependent effects on the chirp signal:
  - time variation of the background expansion of the universe
  - time variation of the gravitational potential at the GW source
  - time variation of the peculiar velocity of the GW source
- These effects cause a phase drift during the in-spiral:
  - Not relevant for Earth-based detectors
  - ► Relevant for non-monochromatic LISA sources with many in-spiral cycles in band: *low chirp mass and*  $\tau_c \sim \Delta t_{obs}$
- The phase drift due to the peculiar acceleration dominates:
  - Can be used to discriminate between different BBH formation channels

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# Waveform for an unperturbed universe with constant z



Where the redshift  $\underline{z}$  is assumed to be constant during the time of observation of the signal:

## Considering a varying redshift

Relax the assumption that the redshift is constant during the observational time of the GW signal

$$(1+z)\frac{d}{dt_O}\left[(1+z)f_O\right] = \frac{96}{5}\pi^{8/3}\left(\frac{GM_c}{c^3}\right)^{5/3}\left[(1+z)f_O\right]^{11/3}$$

#### Two main effects:

the background expansion of the universe varies during the time of observation of the binary

[Seto et al (2001), Takahashi & Nakamura (2005), Nishizawa et al (2012)]

the redshift perturbations due to the distribution of matter between the GW source and the observer vary in time during the time of observation of the binary

[Bonvin, Caprini, Sturani, NT, arXiv:1609.08093]

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# Considering a varying redshift: homogeneous universe

#### Background expansion:

[Seto *et al* (2001), Takahashi & Nakamura (2005), Nishizawa *et al* (2012)] Homogeneous variation of the redshift:

$$1 + z(t) = \frac{a_O(t)}{a_S(t)} \simeq H_O \Delta t_O - H_S \Delta t_S + \mathcal{O}(\Delta t^2)$$

Solving eqs for GW frequency and phase yields:

$$f_{O}(\tau_{O}) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \frac{5}{256 \tau_{O}} \right)^{\frac{3}{8}} (G\mathcal{M}_{c}(z))^{-\frac{5}{8}} \left( 1 + \frac{3}{8} X(z) \tau_{O} \right)$$
$$\Phi_{O}(\tau_{O}) = -2 \left( \frac{\tau_{O}}{5G\mathcal{M}_{c}(z)} \right)^{\frac{5}{8}} \left( 1 - \frac{5}{8} X(z) \tau_{O} \right) + \Phi_{c}$$
$$X(z) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left( H_{0} - \frac{H_{S}(z)}{1+z} \right)$$

## Considering a varying redshift: perturbed universe

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#### Computing the redshift perturbations:

Consider scalar perturbations on FRW:

$$ds^2 = -(1+2\psi)dt^2 + a^2(1-2\phi)\delta_{ij}dx^idx^j$$

definition of the redshift

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$$rac{dk^{\mu}}{d\lambda}+\Gamma^{\mu}_{lphaeta}k^{lpha}k^{eta}=0 \qquad \qquad u^{\mu}=rac{1}{a}(1-\psi,\mathbf{v})$$

GW wave-vector

four velocity at source and observer

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## Considering a varying redshift: perturbed equations

These effects introduce additional contributions in the frequency and the phase of the chirp signal with new time dependences

$$f(\tau_O) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{5}{256 \tau_O}\right)^{3/8} (G\mathcal{M}_c)^{-5/8} \left(1 + \frac{3}{8} Y(z) \tau_O\right)$$

$$\Phi_O(\tau_O) = -2\left(\frac{\tau_O}{5G\mathcal{M}_c}\right)^{5/8} \left(1 - \frac{5}{8}Y(z)\tau_O\right) + \Phi_i$$
$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{2}\left(H_0 - \frac{H_S}{1 + \bar{z}}\right) + \frac{1}{2}\left[\frac{\dot{\mathbf{v}}_S \cdot \mathbf{n}}{1 + \bar{z}} - \dot{\mathbf{v}}_O \cdot \mathbf{n} + \frac{\dot{\phi}_S}{1 + \bar{z}} - \dot{\phi}_O\right]$$

variation of the cosmological expansion during observation time acceleration of the binary and the observer during observation time time variation of the potentials during observation time

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Considering a varying redshift: perturbed equations

$$A(f) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{24\pi^{4/3}}} \frac{(G\mathcal{M}_c)^{5/6}}{d_L(z)} \frac{1}{f^{7/6}} \left[ 1 - \frac{5(G\mathcal{M}_c)^{-5/3}}{384\pi^{8/3}} \frac{Y(z)}{f^{8/3}} \right]$$
$$\Phi(f) = 2\pi f t_c - \frac{\pi}{4} - \Phi_c + \frac{3}{128} (\pi G\mathcal{M}_c)^{-5/3} \frac{1}{f^{5/3}} - \frac{25}{32768\pi} (\pi G\mathcal{M}_c)^{-10/3} \frac{Y(z)}{f^{13/3}}$$

#### Effective –4PN frequency dependence:

(but comparable to max  $\sim$ 2PN once its prefactor is taken into account)

- Frequency dependent shift during the in-spiral phase
- Need observation of many cycles to be relevant
- No application to Earth-based detectors (only few cycles)
- Relevant for slowly evolving LISA sources ( $\sim 10^6$  cycles)

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## Estimate of the amplitude of Y(z)



accounted for by eLISA motion

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# Estimate of the amplitude of Y(z)

$$Y(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( H_0 - \frac{H_S}{1 + \bar{z}} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\dot{\mathbf{v}}_S \cdot \mathbf{n}}{1 + \bar{z}} - \dot{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \mathbf{n} + \frac{\dot{\phi}_S}{1 + \bar{z}} - \dot{\phi}_O \right]$$
variation of the  
cosmological  
expansion:  
depends only on  
the cosmology
$$2.4 \times 10^{-2} \epsilon \frac{H_0}{1 + \bar{z}}$$

$$\epsilon \equiv \left(\frac{v_{\rm s}}{100 \text{ kms}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{10 \text{ kpc}}{r}\right) (\hat{\mathbf{e}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

- $v_{\rm s}$  is the CoM velocity of the binary
- r is the distance from the galactic center

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# Estimate of the amplitude of Y(z)



If  $\epsilon$  is not negligible, then the contribution of peculiar accelerations dominates over the ones due to expansion of the universe, especially at low redshifts

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$$\Phi_O(\tau_O) = -2\left(\frac{\tau_O}{5G\mathcal{M}_c(z)}\right)^{5/8} \left(1 - \frac{5}{8} Y(z)\tau_O\right) + \Phi_c$$

For a typical LISA binary observed up to coalescence:

$$\Delta \Phi_{\rm coal} \simeq 3.96 \cdot 10^{-5} h \times \frac{Y(z)}{H_0} \left( \frac{5 \cdot 10^3 M_{\odot}}{\mathcal{M}_c(z)} \right)^{\frac{10}{3}} \left( \frac{10^{-3} \text{Hz}}{f_O} \right)^{\frac{13}{3}}$$

For a typical LISA binary observed for a finite time interval (up to the mission lifetime):

$$\Delta \Phi_{\Delta t} \simeq 0.1 h \frac{Y(z)}{H_0} \left(\frac{50 M_{\odot}}{\mathcal{M}_c(z)}\right)^{\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{10^{-3} \text{Hz}}{f_O}\right)^{\frac{5}{3}} \frac{\Delta t}{\text{year}}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  need low mass binaries at close redshift (high SNR) [LIGO-like]

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## Estimate of the phase shift due to Y(z)



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# <u>Question</u>: What kind of peculiar accelerations of BBHs can we detect with LISA? What values of $\epsilon$ ?

[Inayoshi, NT, Caprini, Haiman, arXiv:1702.06529]

To address this question we performed a Fisher matrix analysis

$$F_{ij} = \left\langle \frac{\partial h}{\partial \theta_i} \left| \frac{\partial h}{\partial \theta_j} \right\rangle = 2 \int_{f_{\min}}^{f_{\max}} \frac{df}{S_n(f)} \left( \frac{\partial h}{\partial \theta_i} \frac{\partial h^*}{\partial \theta_i} + \text{c.c.} \right)$$

where h(f) is the (sky-averaged and spin-less) 3.5PN waveform in Fourier space including the peculiar acceleration effect, which depends on the 6 parameters (for high accelerations  $Y \propto \epsilon$ )

$$\theta_i = (\mathcal{M}_c, \Phi_c, t_c, \eta, d_L, Y)$$

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We made two parallel error estimations:

- With LISA alone: ΔY is the 1σ error marginalized over all other waveform parameters
- With LISA + LIGO where the time of coalescence t<sub>c</sub> is fixed by an Earth-based detection and ΔY is marginalized only over the remaining parameters



[Sesana, arXiv:1602.06951]

## Implications for GW detection



[Inayoshi, NT, Caprini, Haiman, arXiv:1702.06529]

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## Implications for GW detection



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# Implications for BBH formation channels

Are we expecting large peculiar accelerations? Only for specific BBH formation channels:

scenario	<i>v</i> (km/s)	<i>r</i> (pc)	$\epsilon$
FBs at low- $z$ (A)	$\sim 200$	$> 5  imes 10^3$	< 10
FBs at high-z (A)	$\sim 300$	$10^{3} - 10^{4}$	10 - 100
GCs (B)	$\sim 200$	$\sim 5  imes 10^4$	
NSCs (B)	30 - 100	$\sim 1$	$10^{3} - 10^{4}$
AGN disks (C)	200 - 600	0.1 - 1	$10^{4} - 10^{5}$
Population III (D)	$\sim 200$	$\lesssim 10^3$	10-100

The phase drift in the GW waveform produced by the peculiar acceleration of BBHs can be used as a discriminator between different BBH formation channels by LISA+LIGO observations

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#### Measuring BBH peculiar accelerations with LISA

- The GW signal is affected by the evolution of the redshift perturbations during the observational time
- This produces a phase drift which is dominated by the peculiar acceleration contribution
- ► The effect is relevant for low mass LISA sources  $(30M_{\odot} \lesssim M_c \lesssim 100M_{\odot})$  with  $\tau_c \sim \Delta t_{\rm obs}$
- It can be used to discriminate between different BBH formation channels