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Discovered in 1974 ; Nobel prize in 1993 for discovery (not for confirming GR)

1st DNS :  $M_1 = 1.438 M_\odot$   
 $M_2 = 1.390 M_\odot$

$\rightarrow M_c = 1.231 M_\odot$

$P_{orb} = 7.75 \text{ hr} \quad (27,900 \text{ s})$

$a = 1.9501 \times 10^6 \text{ km}$

What is expected rate of GW ~~em~~ decay?

$$\frac{\dot{P}}{P} = -\frac{\dot{\Omega}}{\Omega} = -\frac{3}{2} \frac{\dot{E}_{orb}}{E_{orb}}$$

$$E_{orb} = \frac{-GM_1 M_2}{2a}$$

Plug in Kepler 3 :  $\Omega^2 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{P}\right)^2 = \frac{G(M_1 + M_2)}{a^3}$

$$\hookrightarrow E_{orb} = \frac{-(GM_c)^{5/3} \Omega^{2/3}}{2}$$

where  $M_c = \frac{(M_1 M_2)^{3/5}}{(M_1 + M_2)^{1/5}}$

Using quadrupole formula result (see Lena's 1st lecture) :

$$\langle \dot{E}_{orb} \rangle = \frac{1}{5} \langle \ddot{Q}_{ij} \ddot{Q}_{ij} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{32}{5} (GM_c \Omega)^{10/3} \frac{1}{c^5}$$

recall:

$$Q_{xx} = \frac{2}{3} \pi r^2 \cos^2 \phi - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$Q_{yy} = \frac{2}{3} \pi r^2 \sin^2 \phi - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$Q_{xy} = Q_{yx} = \frac{2}{3} \pi r^2 \sin \phi \cos \phi$$

$$r = \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_T}, \quad \phi = \phi_0 + \Omega t$$

$$\dot{P} = -P \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{\dot{E}_{orb}}{E_{orb}} \right) = -\frac{96}{5c^5} (GM_c)^{5/3} \Omega^{8/3} P$$

valid in limit that evolution is slow cf. orbital vel.,  $\|\ddot{a}\| \ll \Omega a$

$$\hookrightarrow \dot{P} = -2.024 \times 10^{-13} \text{ s/s}$$

Observed  $\dot{P} = -2.433 \times 10^{-12} \text{ s/s}$

} We are off by ~12x.

What are we missing?

$e \rightarrow 0.617$

Peters and Mathews (1963)

For general (non-circ. orbit):

$$r = \frac{a(1-e^2)}{1+e\cos\phi}, \quad \dot{\phi} = \frac{[G(M_1+M_2)a(1-e^2)]^{1/2}}{r^2}$$

Plug this into quad. formula:

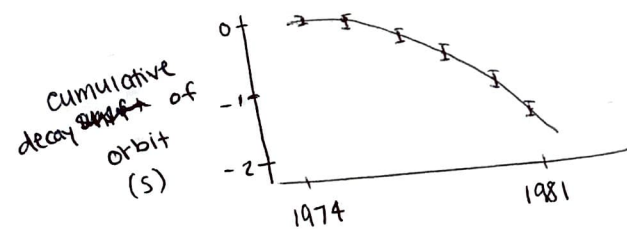
$$\langle \dot{E}_{\text{orb}} \rangle = f_0 \langle \dot{E}_{\text{circ.}} \rangle$$

$$\text{where } f_0 = \frac{1}{(1-e^2)^{7/2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{73}{24} e^2 + \frac{37}{96} e^4 \right]$$

$$f_0 (e=0.617) = 11.8$$

$$\rightarrow \dot{P}_{\text{predicted}} \approx 11.8 \dot{P}_{\text{obs}}$$

Actual data:



Weisberg + Taylor 1981:

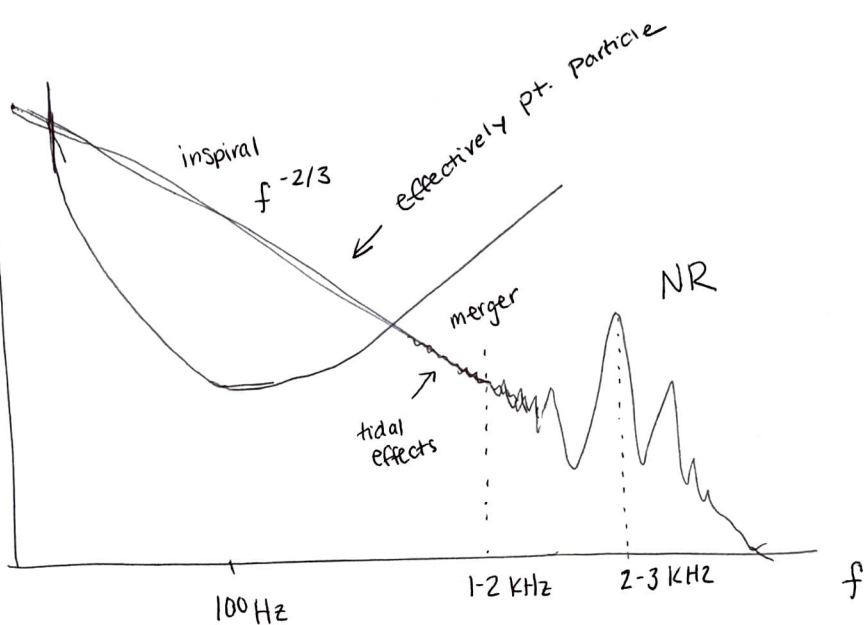
1st measurement of  $\dot{P}$ , showing 15% accurate match to GR

Taylor + Weisberg 1982 → famous plot

Weisberg + Huang 2016 → update

LIGO

$$\tilde{h} f^{1/2} \text{ (Hz}^{-1/2}\text{)}$$



Freq-domain strain (assuming stationary phase approx.):

$$\tilde{h}_{+,x}(f) = A_{+,x} M_c^{5/6} f^{-7/6} e^{-i\psi}$$

where  $\psi = 2\pi f t_c - 2\phi_c - \frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{3}{128\pi} \chi^{5/2} [1 + \psi_{PP-PN}(x, \chi) + \psi_{tidal}(x, \chi, \Lambda, M_2)]$

$$\left[ M_c = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}} ; M_c (q=1) = M_1 / 2^{1/5} \right]$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Amplitude of } 1.4 - 1.4 M_\odot \text{ BNS} \\ \text{Amplitude of } 20 - 20 M_\odot \text{ BBH} \end{array} \right|_{\text{same freq.}} = \left( \frac{1.4}{20} \right)^{5/6} \approx 0.1$$

BNS is ~10x weaker than "typical" BBH signal (at same freq.)

How long is BNS signal in LIGO sensitivity range?

$$\frac{1}{t_D} \equiv \frac{\dot{f}}{f} = -\frac{\dot{P}}{P} \rightarrow t_D = \left( \frac{96}{5c^3} \right)^{-1} (GM_c)^{-5/3} (\pi f)^{-8/3}$$

$$t_D \approx 140 \left( \frac{M_c}{1.2 M_\odot} \right)^{-5/3} \left( \frac{f}{30 \text{ Hz}} \right)^{-8/3} \text{ s}$$

Once stars reach separation s.t.  $f_{\text{GW}} = 30 \text{ Hz}$ , takes ~2 min to merge; 20-20  $M_\odot$  BBH merges ~100x faster.

How many orbital cycles is this?

$$N_{\text{cycles}} = \int_{t_a}^{t_b} f dt = \int_{f_a}^{f_b} \frac{f}{\dot{f}} df = \int_{f_a}^{f_b} t_D df$$
$$= \frac{c^5}{32 \pi (GMc^2 f_a)^{5/3}} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{f_a}{f_b} \right)^{5/3} \right]$$

- reducing low-freq. range significantly incr. # of cycles
- orig GW170817 analysis incl. down to 30 Hz ; re-analysis went to 23 Hz

$f_a = 30 \rightarrow 23 \text{ Hz}$  gives  $\approx 60\%$  more orbits

23-2040 Hz for GW170817 ( $M_c = 1.186 M_\odot$ )  $\rightarrow$   $N_{\text{cycles}} = 4200$

But, this neglects tides!

If tides are present, this will act to accel. the inspiral:

Consider now: 
$$\begin{cases} E_{\text{orb}} = E_N + E_{\text{tide}} \\ \dot{E}_{\text{orb}} = \dot{E}_{\text{GN}} + \dot{E}_{\text{tide}} \end{cases}$$

$$N_{\text{cycles}} = \int \frac{f}{\dot{f}} df = \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{E_{\text{orb}}}{E_{\text{orb}}} df = \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{E_N + E_{\text{tide}}}{\dot{E}_{\text{GN}} + \dot{E}_{\text{tide}}} df$$

$E_{\text{orb}} \propto (\pi f)^{2/3}$

$$= \int \frac{3}{2} \frac{E_N (1 + E_{\text{tide}}/E_N)}{\dot{E}_{\text{GN}} (1 + \dot{E}_{\text{tide}}/\dot{E}_{\text{GN}})} df$$

$\equiv t_D$

$(1 + \dot{E}_{\text{tide}}/\dot{E}_{\text{GN}})^{-1} \approx 1 - \frac{\dot{E}_{\text{tide}}}{\dot{E}_{\text{GN}}}$   
valid for  $\dot{E}_{\text{tide}} \ll \dot{E}_{\text{GN}}$

Keeping terms to leading order:

$$N = \int t_D \left( 1 + \frac{E_{\text{tide}}}{E_N} - \frac{\dot{E}_{\text{tide}}}{\dot{E}_{\text{GN}}} \right) df = N_{\text{GN}} + \Delta N$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta N = \int t_D \left( \frac{E_{\text{tide}}}{E_N} - \frac{\dot{E}_{\text{tide}}}{\dot{E}_{\text{GN}}} \right) df$$

This is what we are after.

To leading post-Newton. order:

Vines, Flanagan, & Hinderer 2011

$$\begin{cases} E(x) = -\frac{1}{2} M_T \eta x \left[ 1 + [PN] + \overbrace{-9 \frac{M_2}{M_1} \frac{\lambda_1}{M_T^5} x^5 + 1 \leftrightarrow 2}^{\text{tidal terms}} \right] \\ \dot{E}(x) = -\frac{32}{5} \eta^5 x^5 \left[ 1 + [PN] + 6 \frac{M_1 + 3M_2}{M_1} \frac{\lambda_1}{M_T^5} x^5 + 1 \leftrightarrow 2 \right] \end{cases}$$

Setting  $M_1 = M_2$ ,  $x = \left( \frac{\pi G M_T f}{c^3} \right)^{2/3}$ ,  $M_T = 2M_1$ :

$$E_{\text{tide}}/E_N = -\frac{9}{2^5} \frac{\lambda_1}{M_1^5} \left( \frac{2\pi G M_T f}{c^3} \right)^{10/3} \times 2$$

$$\dot{E}_{\text{tide}}/\dot{E}_{\text{GN}} = \frac{6(1+3q)}{2^5} \frac{\lambda_1}{M_1^5} \left( \frac{2\pi G M_T f}{c^3} \right)^{10/3} \times 2$$

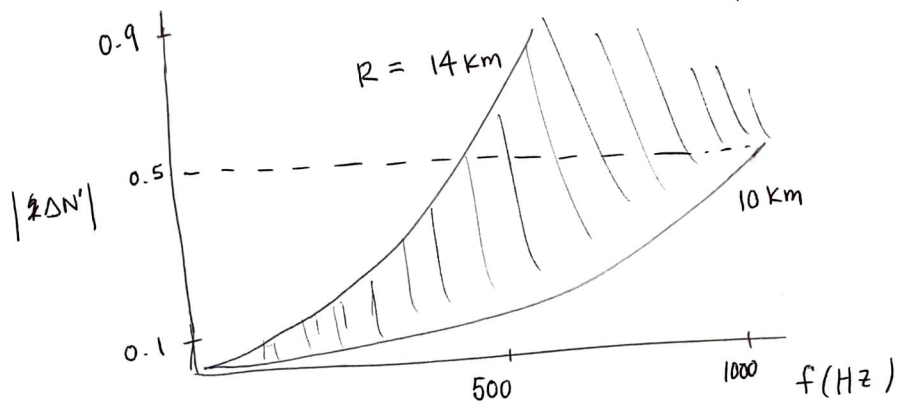
← Note signs. Both terms act to accelerate the merger.

Finally, plug in  $\lambda_1 = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left( \frac{c^2 R}{G} \right)^5$

Factor of 2  
b/c

$$\Delta N \approx 2 \Delta N \approx -0.013 \left( \frac{M}{1.4 M_{\odot}} \right)^{-10/3} \left( \frac{K_2}{0.26} \right) \left( \frac{R}{10 \text{ km}} \right)^5 \left( \frac{f}{100 \text{ Hz}} \right)^{5/3}$$

↑  
Newtonian tidal Love #, for n=1 polytrope



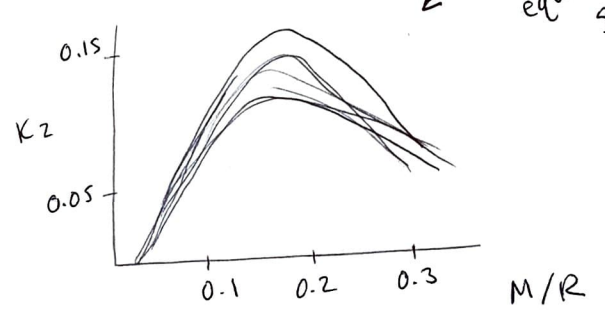
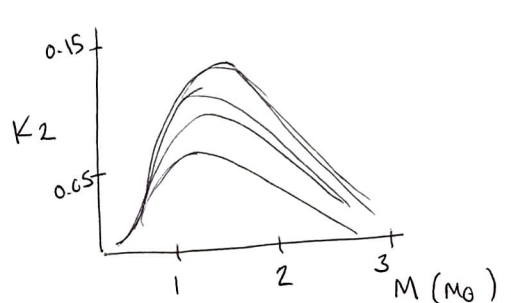
Andersson + Ho  
2018

• Larger stars produce a larger tidal effect, but still  $\ll 1$  cycle

Tidal Love number:

[Hinderer (2010)]

for different  
theoretical  
equations of  
state



For realistic EOS and relativistic calculation,  
 $K_2$  depends on  $M$  and also on details of EOS  
 (i.e., pressure vs. density)

[Cf. Newtonian value of  $K_2 = 0.26$  in calculation of  $\Delta N$  above]

What does LIGO actually measure?

The phase of  $\tilde{h}(f) \sim A f^{-7/6} e^{-i\psi}$  is given by the

formula:

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{df^2} = \frac{2 dE/df}{\dot{E}}$$

Taking  $E_{\text{tidal}}$  and  $\dot{E}_{\text{tidal}}$  at leading order (see eqs. on p.5)

can calculate  $\psi_{\text{tidal}}$ :

$$\psi_{\text{tidal}} = -\frac{9}{10} \frac{x^5}{M_T^{4.5}} \left[ \left( 11 \frac{m_2}{m_1} + \frac{M_T}{m_1} \right) \lambda_1 + 1 \leftrightarrow 2 \right]$$

Flanagan & Hinderer 2008

$$\psi_{\text{total}} = (\dots) + \frac{3}{128 \pi x^{5/2}} \left\{ 1 + \psi_{\text{PN}} - 24 \frac{x^5}{M_T^{4.5}} \left[ \left( 11 \frac{m_2}{m_1} + \frac{M_T}{m_1} \right) \lambda_1 + 1 \leftrightarrow 2 \right] \right\}$$

Plug in  $\lambda_1 = \frac{2}{3} \frac{R^5}{M_T^5}$

$$\Lambda_1 \equiv \frac{\lambda_1}{m_1^5} :$$

$$-24 \frac{x^5}{M_T^{4.5}} \left[ \left( 11 \frac{m_2}{m_1} + \frac{M_T}{m_1} \right) \Lambda_1 m_1^5 + 1 \leftrightarrow 2 \right]$$

$$= -24 x^5 \left[ \frac{11 m_2 + (m_1 + m_2)}{m_1 M_T^{4.5}} \Lambda_1 m_1^4 + 1 \leftrightarrow 2 \right]$$

$$= -\frac{39}{2} x^5 \left[ \frac{10}{13} \left[ \frac{(12 m_2 + m_1) m_1^4 \Lambda_1}{(m_1 + m_2)^5} + 1 \leftrightarrow 2 \right] \right]$$

$$\equiv \tilde{\Lambda}$$

so that

$$\psi_{\text{total}} = (\dots) + \frac{3}{128 \pi x^{5/2}} \left\{ 1 + \psi_{\text{PN}} - \frac{39}{2} \tilde{\Lambda} x^5 \right\}$$

Tidal effects formally enter at 5PN, but this term is larger than the currently-known P.P. 5PN terms by  $\sim (R/M)^5 \sim 10^5$