

# Gravitational Waves in Einstein-Cartan Theory

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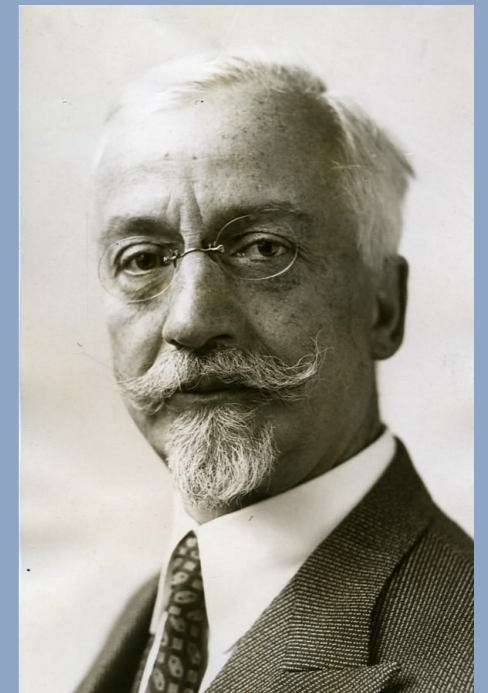
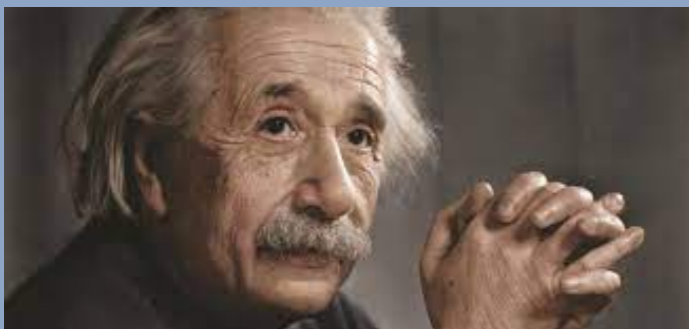
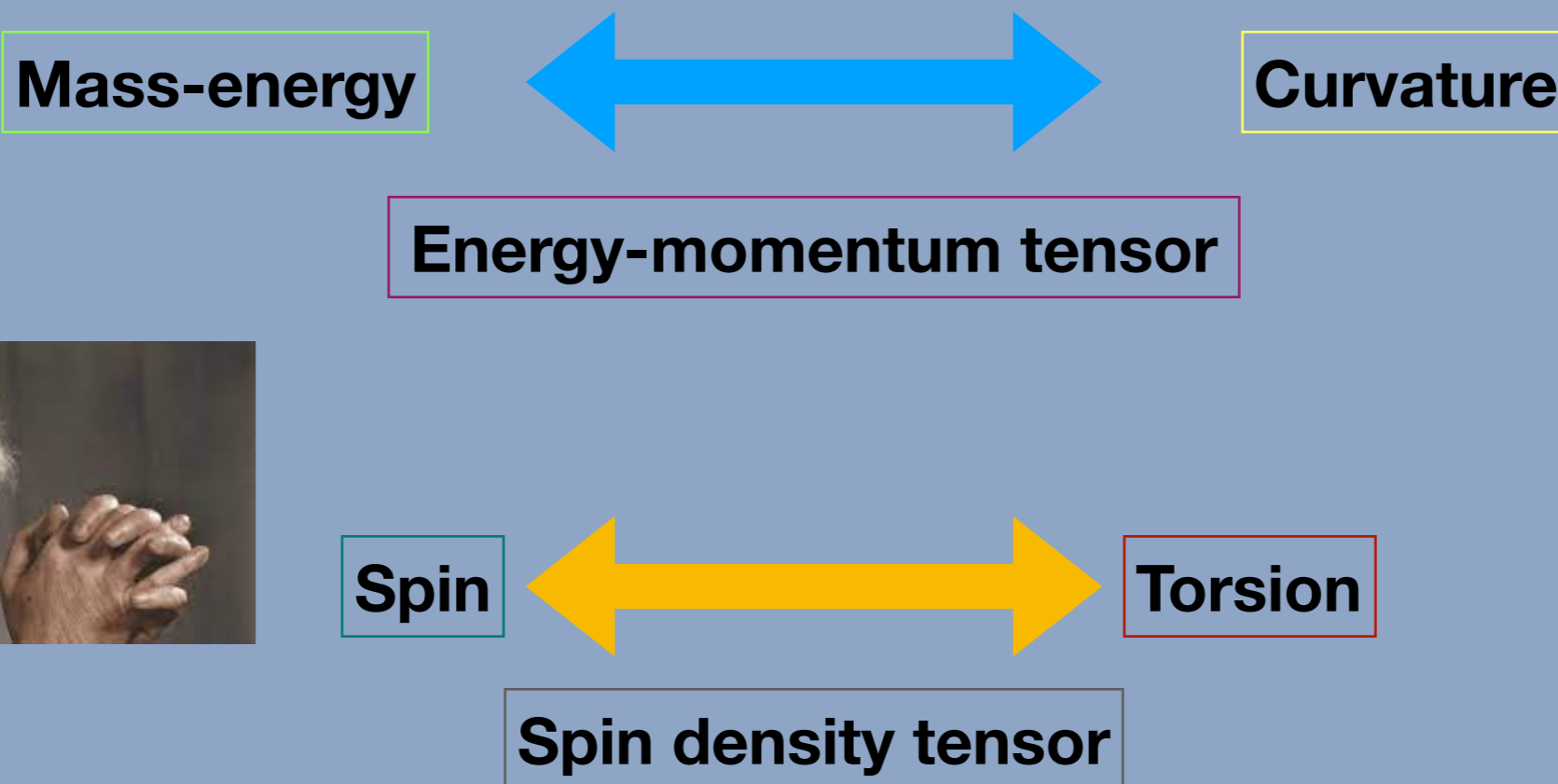
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# EINSTEIN-CARTAN THEORY (1)

- **Einstein-Cartan (EC)** theory has been formulated to extend the concepts of general relativity (GR) to the microphysical realm.
- **Quantum intrinsic spin** carried by elementary particles is described geometrically by means of the **torsion** tensor.



# EINSTEIN-CARTAN THEORY (2)

- **Riemann-Cartan** spacetime  $U_4$  endowed with the metric tensor  $g_{\alpha\beta}$  and the most general **nonsymmetric metric-compatible** (i.e.,  $\nabla_{\mu}g_{\alpha\beta} = 0$ ) affine connection  $\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu}$ :

$$\Gamma^{\lambda}_{[\mu\nu]} \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} - \Gamma^{\lambda}_{\nu\mu}) \equiv S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\lambda},$$

Torsion tensor

$$\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} = \hat{\Gamma}^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} + (S^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} + S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\lambda} - S_{\nu}{}^{\lambda}_{\mu})$$

Affine connection

$$\hat{\Gamma}^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{1}{2}g^{\lambda\sigma}(\partial_{\mu}g_{\sigma\nu} + \partial_{\nu}g_{\sigma\mu} - \partial_{\sigma}g_{\mu\nu})$$

Christoffel symbols

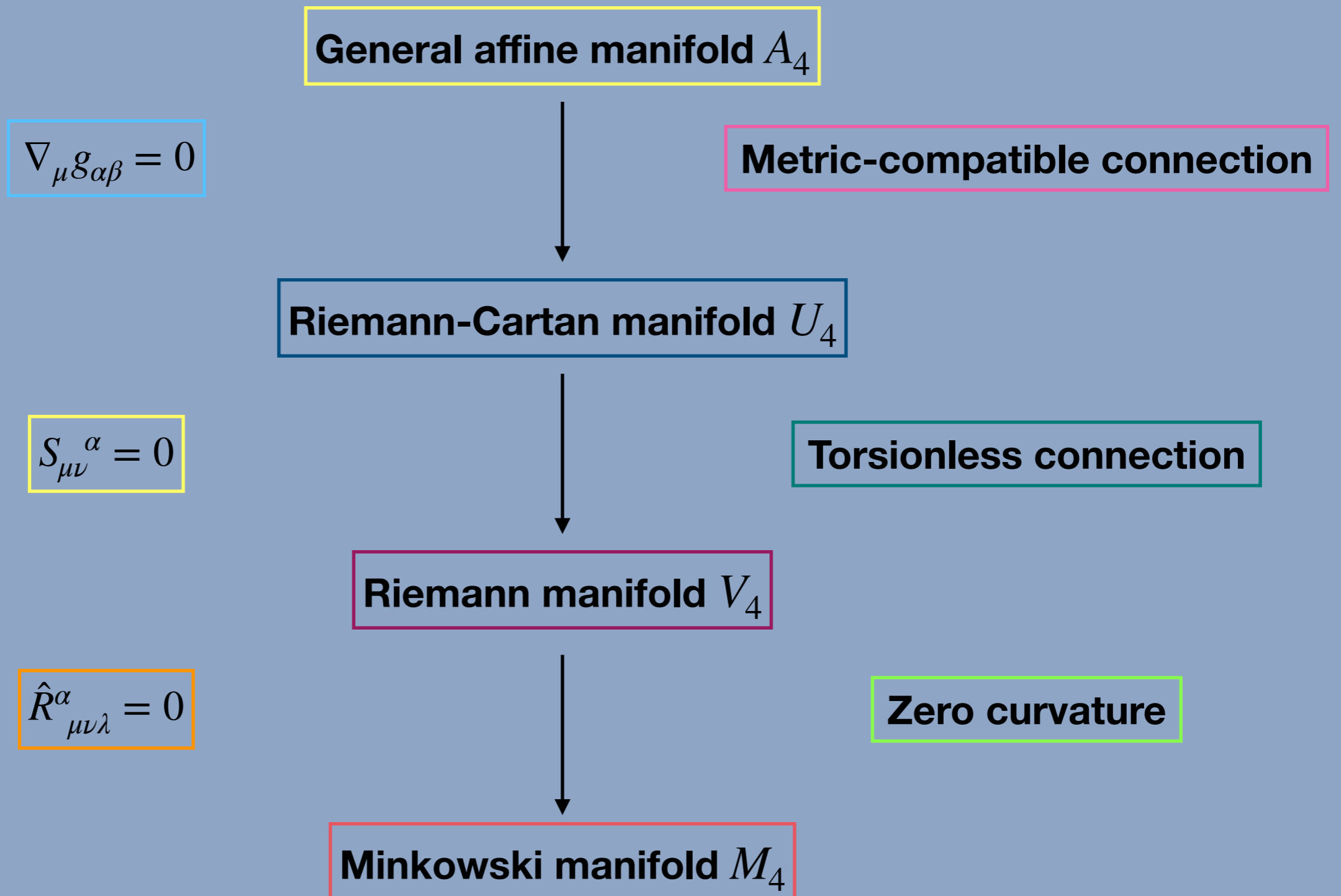
$$\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} = \hat{\Gamma}^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} - K_{\mu\nu}{}^{\lambda}$$

Contortion tensor

$$K_{\mu\nu}{}^{\lambda} = S_{\nu}{}^{\lambda}_{\mu} - S^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} - S_{\mu\nu}{}^{\lambda}$$

# EINSTEIN-CARTAN THEORY (3)

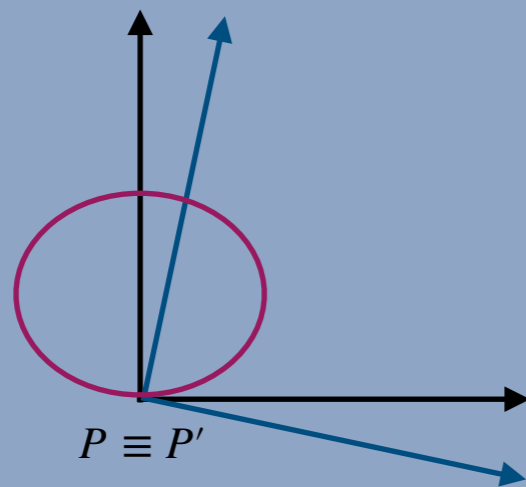
- **EC theory**, **GR theory**, **special relativity**:



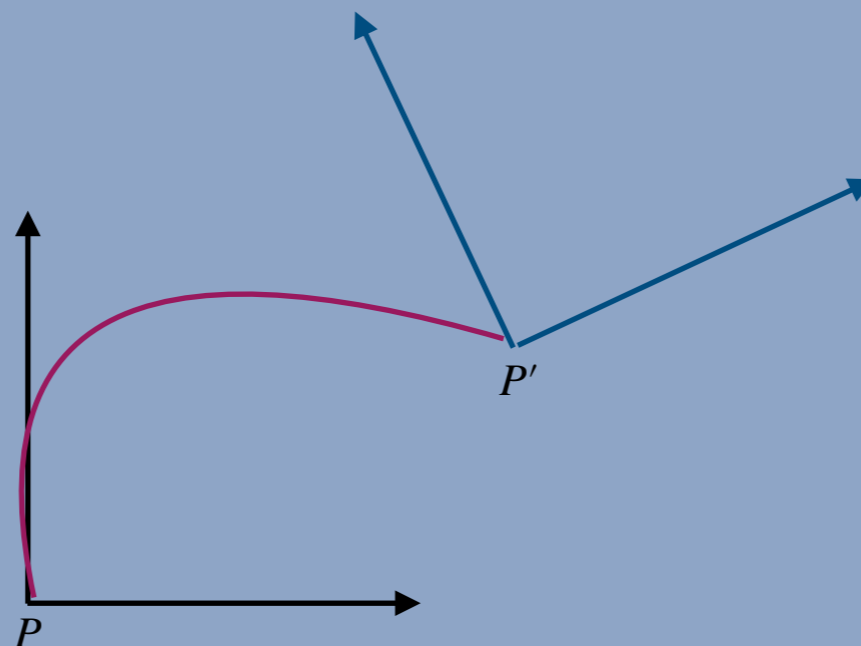
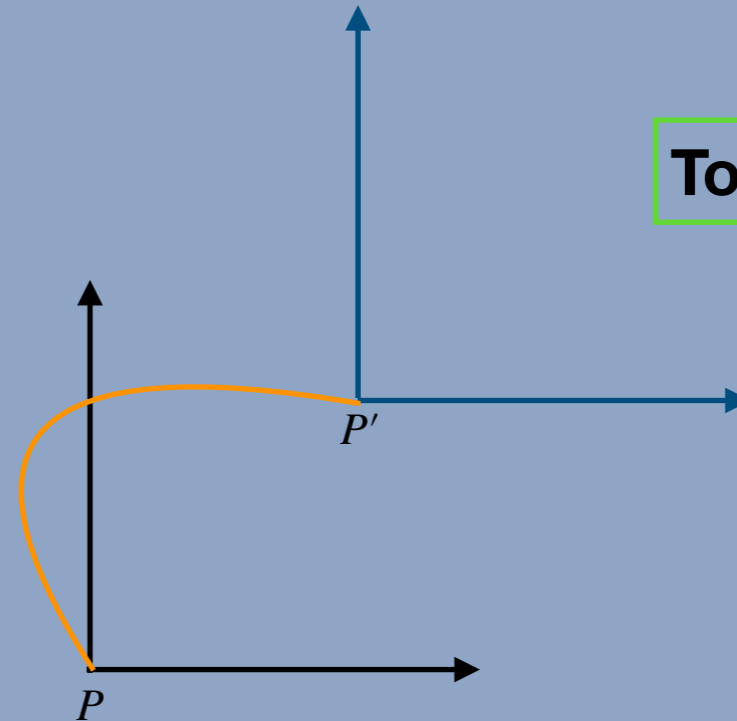
# EINSTEIN-CARTAN THEORY (4)

- **Curvature** is related to the **rotation** of a vector; **torsion** is related to the **translation** of a vector.

Curvature



Torsion



Curvature  
and torsion

# EINSTEIN-CARTAN THEORY (5)

- **Riemann tensor** in EC theory:

$$R^{\mu}_{\nu\rho\sigma} = \partial_{\rho}\Gamma^{\mu}_{\sigma\nu} - \partial_{\sigma}\Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\nu} + \Gamma^{\mu}_{\rho\alpha}\Gamma^{\alpha}_{\sigma\nu} - \Gamma^{\mu}_{\sigma\alpha}\Gamma^{\alpha}_{\rho\nu}$$



with  $\Gamma^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} = \hat{\Gamma}^{\lambda}_{\mu\nu} - K_{\mu\nu}{}^{\lambda}$

Riemann tensor of GR

$\hat{\nabla}_{\mu} \equiv$  Covariant derivative wrt the Christoffel symbols  $\hat{\Gamma}^{\mu}_{\alpha\beta}$

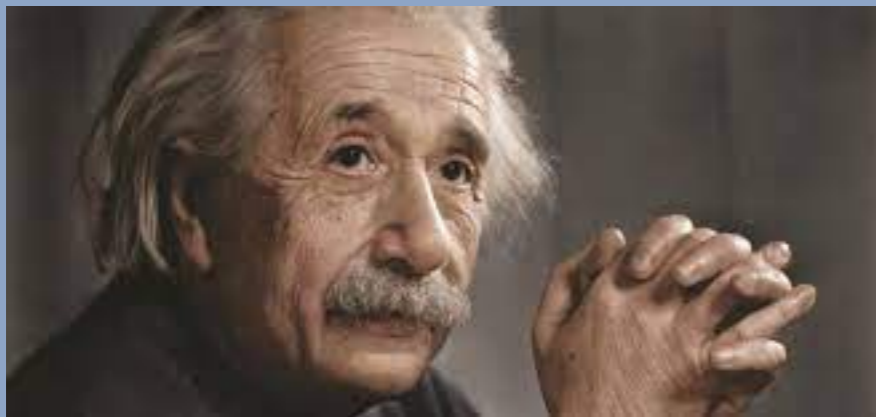
$$R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} = \hat{R}_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} + \hat{\nabla}_{\sigma}K_{\rho\nu\mu} - \hat{\nabla}_{\rho}K_{\sigma\nu\mu} + K_{\rho\alpha\mu}K_{\sigma\nu}{}^{\alpha} - K_{\sigma\alpha\mu}K_{\rho\nu}{}^{\alpha},$$

$K_{\mu\nu\alpha} \equiv$  Contortion tensor

# EINSTEIN-CARTAN THEORY (6)

- **Einstein tensor**  $G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R$  is not symmetric and satisfies

$$G_{[\mu\nu]} = R_{[\mu\nu]} = \nabla_{\alpha} (S_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha} + 2\delta_{[\mu}^{\alpha} S_{\nu]}^{\beta}) + 2S_{\alpha\rho}^{\rho} (S_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha} + 2\delta_{[\mu}^{\alpha} S_{\nu]}^{\beta})$$



- **Contracted Bianchi identity**

$$\nabla_{\alpha} G_{\mu}^{\alpha} = -2S_{\alpha\rho}^{\rho} G_{\mu}^{\alpha} - 2S_{\alpha\mu}^{\nu} G_{\nu}^{\alpha} + (S_{\alpha\beta}^{\nu} + 2\delta_{[\alpha}^{\nu} S_{\beta]}^{\rho}) R_{\mu\nu}^{\alpha\beta}$$

$\nabla_{\alpha} \equiv$  Covariant derivative wrt the connection coefficients  $\Gamma_{\alpha\beta}^{\mu}$



# EINSTEIN-CARTAN FIELD EQUATIONS (1)

- **Total action of EC theory**

## Matter Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_m = \mathcal{L}_m(\psi, \partial\psi, \eta)$$

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**Minimal coupling**  
 $\eta_{\mu\nu} \longrightarrow g_{\mu\nu} ; \partial_\mu \longrightarrow \nabla_\mu$

$$\mathcal{L}_m = \mathcal{L}_m(\psi, \partial\psi, g, \partial g, S)$$

## Gravitational Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_g(g, \partial g, S, \partial S) = \frac{c^4}{16\pi G} R$$

## Total action of EC theory

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \mathcal{L}_m(\psi, \partial\psi, g, \partial g, S) + \frac{c^4}{16\pi G} R \right]$$

# EINSTEIN-CARTAN FIELD EQUATIONS (2)

- EC field equations

$$G^{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} \mathbb{T}^{\mu\nu}$$
$$S_{\alpha\beta}{}^\nu + 2\delta_{[\alpha}^\nu S_{\beta]\rho}{}^\rho = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} \tau_{\alpha\beta}{}^\nu$$

where

$$\mathbb{T}_\beta{}^\alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \left[ \delta_\beta{}^\alpha \mathcal{L}_m - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_m}{\partial(\partial_\alpha \Psi)} \nabla_\beta \Psi \right]$$

Canonical energy-momentum tensor

$$\tau_\gamma{}^{\beta\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}_m}{\delta K_{\alpha\beta}{}^\gamma},$$

Canonical spin angular momentum tensor

# EINSTEIN-CARTAN FIELD EQUATIONS (3)

- **Generalized** conservation laws

$$(\nabla_\nu + 2S_{\nu\alpha}{}^\alpha) \mathbb{T}_\mu{}^\nu = 2\mathbb{T}_\lambda{}^\nu S_{\mu\nu}{}^\lambda - \tau_{\nu\rho}{}^\sigma R_{\mu\sigma}{}^{\nu\rho},$$

Conservation of  
energy-momentum

$$\nabla_\alpha G_\mu{}^\alpha = -2S_{\alpha\rho}{}^\rho G_\mu{}^\alpha - 2S_{\alpha\mu}{}^\nu G_\nu{}^\alpha + (S_{\alpha\beta}{}^\nu + 2\delta_{[\alpha}^\nu S_{\beta]\rho}{}^\rho) R_{\mu\nu}{}^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$(\nabla_\lambda + 2S_{\lambda\alpha}{}^\alpha) \tau_{\mu\nu}{}^\lambda = \mathbb{T}_{[\mu\nu]},$$

Conservation of  
angular momentum

$$G_{[\mu\nu]} = \nabla_\alpha (S_{\mu\nu}{}^\alpha + 2\delta_{[\mu}^\alpha S_{\nu]\beta}{}^\beta) + 2S_{\alpha\rho}{}^\rho (S_{\mu\nu}{}^\alpha + 2\delta_{[\mu}^\alpha S_{\nu]\beta}{}^\beta)$$

# EINSTEIN-CARTAN FIELD EQUATIONS (4)

- EC field equations**

$$\hat{G}^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{\chi}{2} \Theta^{\alpha\beta},$$

$\hat{G}^{\alpha\beta} \equiv$  Einstein tensor constructed with the Christoffel symbols  $\hat{\Gamma}^{\mu}_{\alpha\beta}$

$$(\chi = 16\pi G/c^4)$$

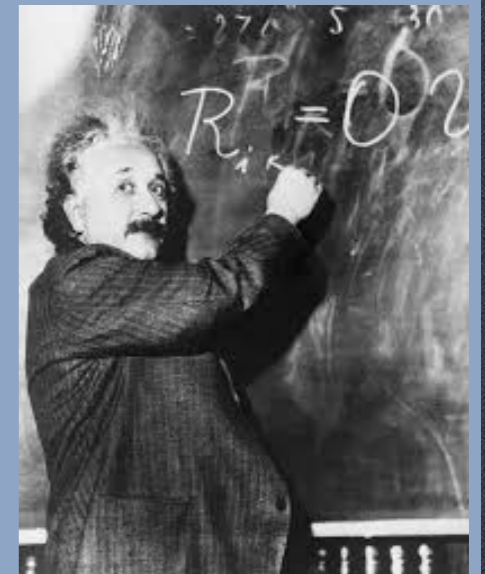
where

$$\Theta^{\alpha\beta} = T^{\alpha\beta} + \frac{\chi}{2} S^{\alpha\beta},$$

combined energy-momentum tensor

$$T^{\alpha\beta} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta(\sqrt{-g} \mathcal{L}_m)}{\delta g_{\alpha\beta}}$$

metric energy-momentum tensor

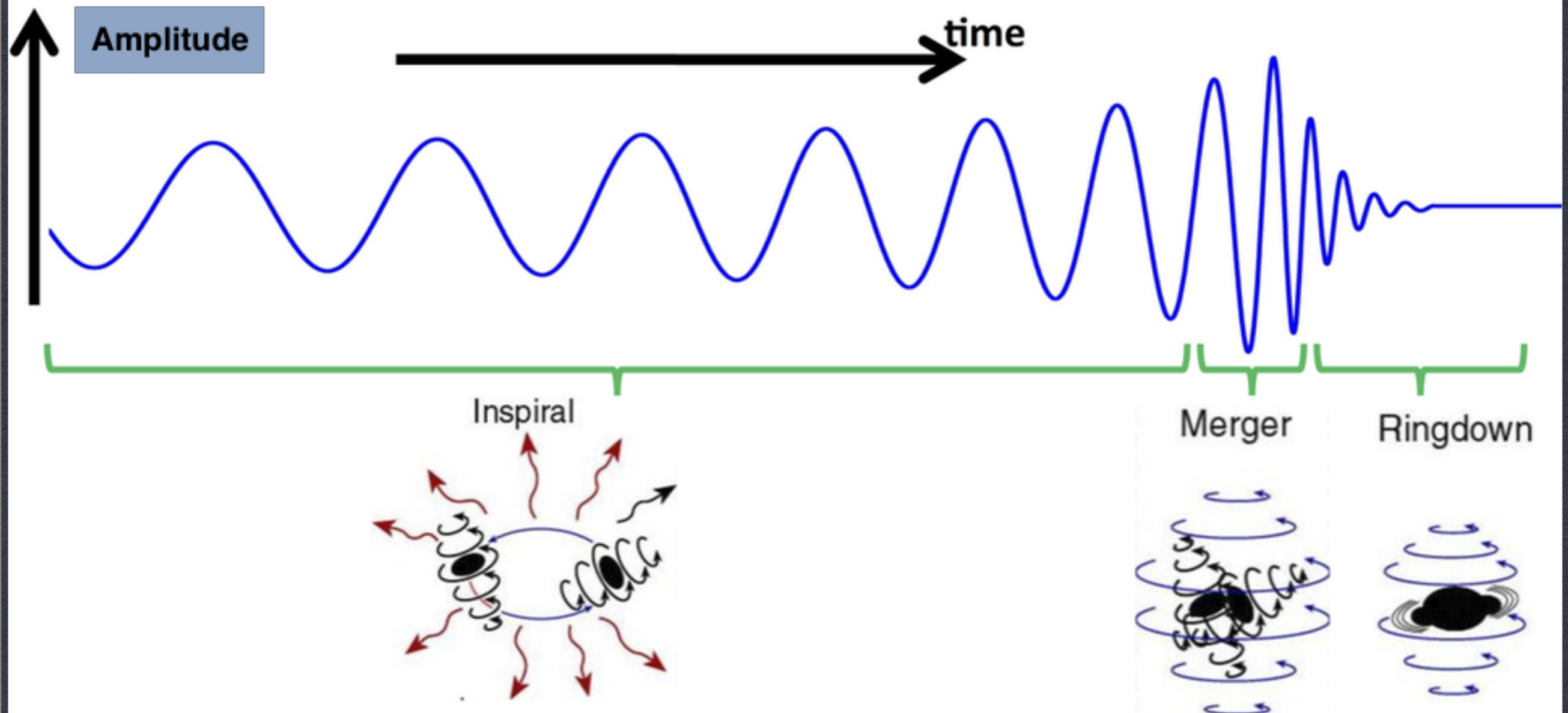


$$S^{\alpha\beta} \equiv -4\tau^{\alpha\gamma}{}_{[\delta}\tau^{\beta\delta}{}_{\gamma]} - 2\tau^{\alpha\gamma\delta}\tau^{\beta}{}_{\gamma\delta} + \tau^{\gamma\delta\alpha}\tau_{\gamma\delta}{}^{\beta} + \frac{1}{2}g^{\alpha\beta}(4\tau_{\mu}{}^{\gamma}{}_{[\delta}\tau^{\mu\delta}{}_{\gamma]} + \tau^{\mu\gamma\delta}\tau_{\mu\gamma\delta}),$$

Contribution due to spin  
 $(\tau^{\alpha\beta}{}_{\gamma} \equiv$  canonical spin angular momentum tensor)

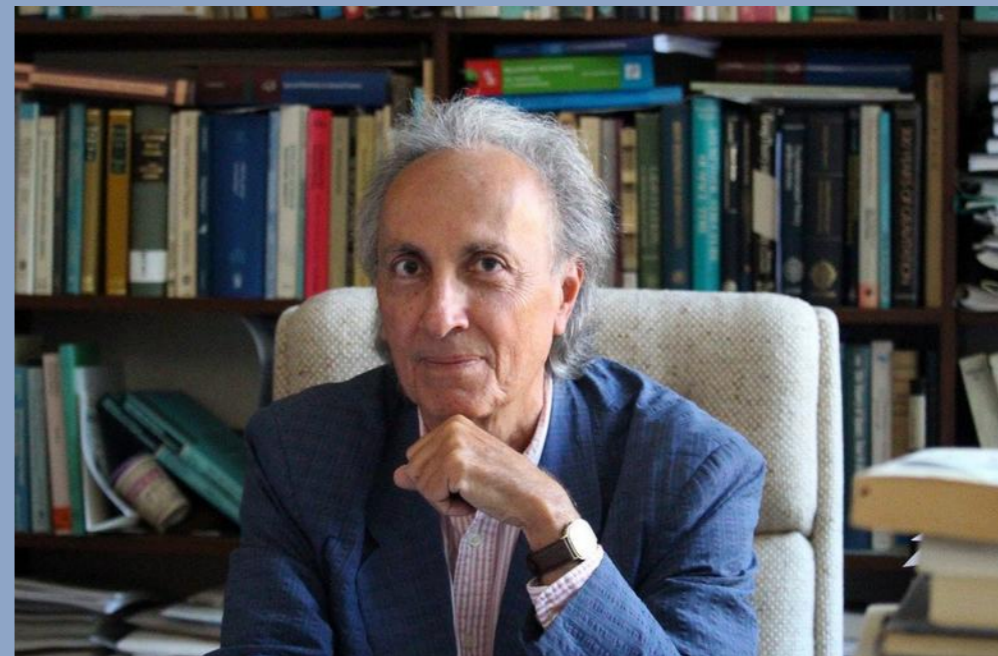
# GRAVITATIONAL WAVES IN GR

- In high-energy astrophysics, the **main sources** of gravitational waves (**GWs**) are compact binary systems: **black holes (BHs)** and **neutron stars (NSs)**.



# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (1)

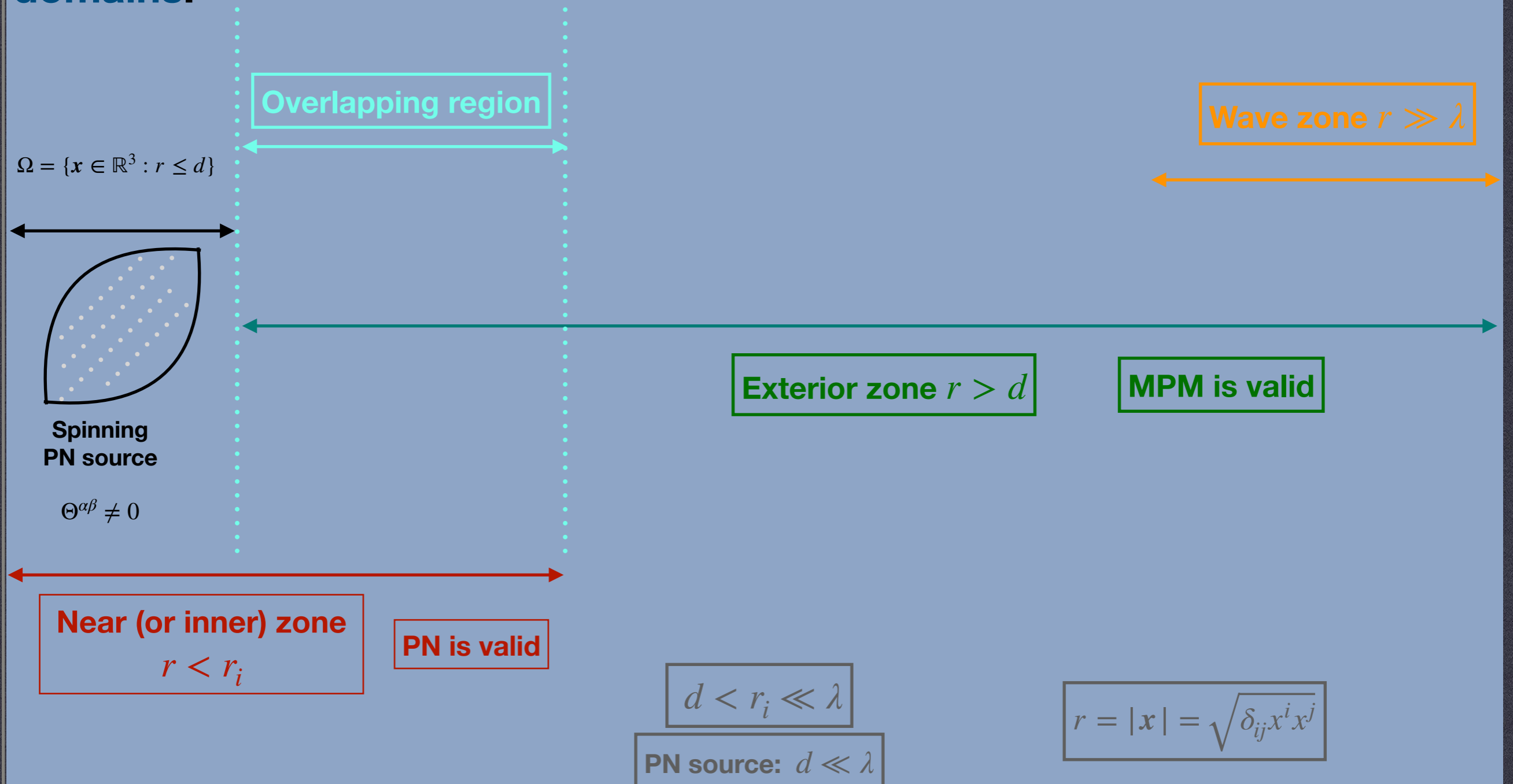
- **Spinning, weakly self-gravitating, weakly stressed, and slowly moving sources** (i.e., spinning PN sources).
- **Motion and radiation of binary systems in their early inspiralling stage.**



- **GW generation problem:** relating the asymptotic gravitational-wave form generated by some isolated spinning PN source and which we observe via a **detector** (located in the wave zone of the source), to the material content of the source, i.e., its tensor  $\Theta^{\alpha\beta}$ , using some suitable **approximation methods**.

# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (2)

Let us introduce a set of harmonic coordinates  $x^\mu = (ct, \mathbf{x})$ . The **spatial** part  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of the spacetime manifold  $U_4$  is decomposed in the following **domains**:



# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (3)

- **Post-Newtonian (PN)** approximation scheme: valid under the assumptions of weak gravitational field inside the source and slow internal motions; an expansion in  $v/c \ll 1$  is employed.

$$F(t - r/c) = F(t) - \frac{r}{c} \dot{F}(t) + \frac{r^2}{2c^2} \ddot{F}(t) + \dots \quad \omega/c = 2\pi/\lambda$$

- **Post-Minkowskian (PM)** approximation scheme: valid over all the spacetime; it operates by means of an expansion in the Newton gravitational constant  $G$ :

$$\sqrt{-g} g^{\alpha\beta} = \eta^{\alpha\beta} + G \mathfrak{h}_1^{\alpha\beta} + G^2 \mathfrak{h}_2^{\alpha\beta} + \dots$$

$$\mathfrak{h}^{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} G^n \mathfrak{h}_n^{\alpha\beta}$$

$\sqrt{-g} g^{\alpha\beta}$ : gothic metric

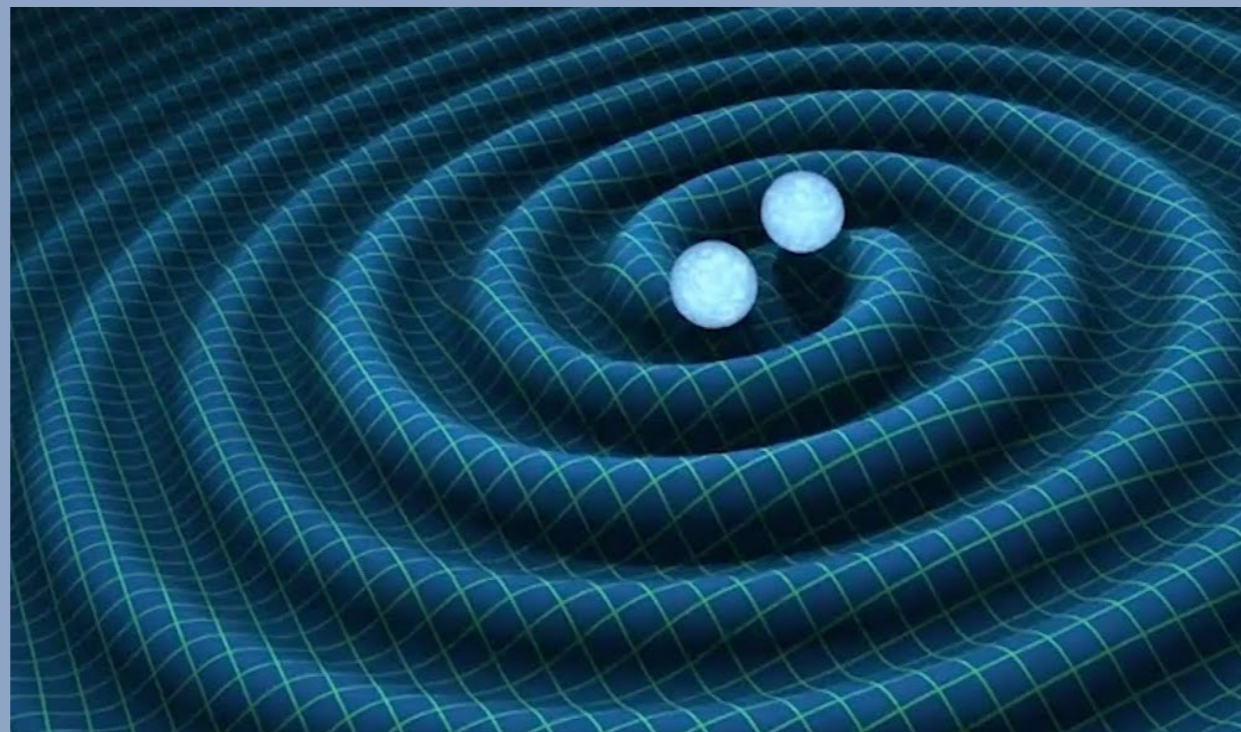
$$g = \det(g_{\mu\nu})$$

basic variable:  $\mathfrak{h}^{\alpha\beta} = \sqrt{-g} g^{\alpha\beta} - \eta^{\alpha\beta}$



# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (4)

- **Multipole expansion:** method used to describe the properties of the source as seen from its exterior ( $r > d$ ); the spacetime metric is parametrized by **symmetric and trace-free (STF)** multipole moments.



- **Multipolar-post-Minkowskian (MPM)** method: it can be employed in the **exterior** weak-field region of the source to solve **vacuum** EC field equations and combines the PM algorithm and the multipole expansion.

# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (5)

- Blanchet-Damour formalism is based on two approximation schemes: **MPM** and **PN** methods. It allows to solve **approximately** the GW generation problem and employs a **four-stage** program:

1. In the **exterior domain**, **vacuum** EC field equations are perturbatively solved by means of the MPM algorithm and the resulting solution is parametrized by STF **source multipole moments**  $I_L, J_L$ :

recall that

$$\mathfrak{h}^{\alpha\beta} = \sqrt{-g}g^{\alpha\beta} - \eta^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathfrak{h}_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} G^n \mathfrak{h}_n^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\mathfrak{h}_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta} = \mathfrak{h}_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta}(I_L, J_L)$$

$I_L$ : mass-type STF source multipole moment of order  $l$

$J_L$ : current-type STF source multipole moment of order  $l$

Multi-index notation, where  $L$  denotes the multi-index  $i_1 i_2 \dots i_l$  made of  $l$  spatial indices. Hence  $I_L = I_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_l}$

# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (6)

2. In the **wave zone**, a set of **radiative coordinates**  $X^\mu = (cT, \mathbf{X})$  is invoked where the metric coefficients  $\mathcal{H}^{\mu\nu}$  admit the radiative form

$$\mathcal{H}^{\mu\nu}(X) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\mathcal{R}^n} \mathcal{H}_n^{\mu\nu}(T - \mathcal{R}/c, \mathcal{N})$$

$$\mathcal{R} = |\mathbf{X}| \equiv (\delta_{ij} X^i X^j)^{1/2} \rightarrow \infty$$

radiative distance from the source

$$\mathcal{U} \equiv T - \mathcal{R}/c$$

retarded time

$$\mathcal{N} \equiv \mathbf{X}/\mathcal{R}$$

direction of propagation of GW

$$\mathcal{H}_{ij}^{\text{TT}}(X^\mu) = \frac{4G}{c^2 \mathcal{R}} \mathcal{P}_{ijkl}(\mathcal{N}) \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l! c^l} \left\{ \mathcal{N}_{L-2} U_{klL-2}(\mathcal{U}) - \frac{2l}{(l+1)c} \mathcal{N}_{aL-2} \epsilon_{ab(k} V_{l)bL-2}(\mathcal{U}) \right\},$$

Transverse-traceless (TT) projection of the leading term

$U_L$ : mass-type STF radiative multipole moment of order  $l$

$V_L$ : current-type STF radiative multipole moment of order  $l$

Physical Observables

# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (7)

Transverse-traceless (TT) projection operator  
onto the plane orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}$

$$\mathcal{P}_{ijkl}(\mathcal{N}) \equiv \mathcal{P}_{ik}\mathcal{P}_{jl} - \frac{1}{2}\mathcal{P}_{ij}\mathcal{P}_{kl},$$
$$\mathcal{P}_{ij}(\mathcal{N}) \equiv \delta_{ij} - \mathcal{N}_i\mathcal{N}_j.$$

TT gauge

$$\mathcal{H}_{0\mu}^{\text{TT}} = 0$$

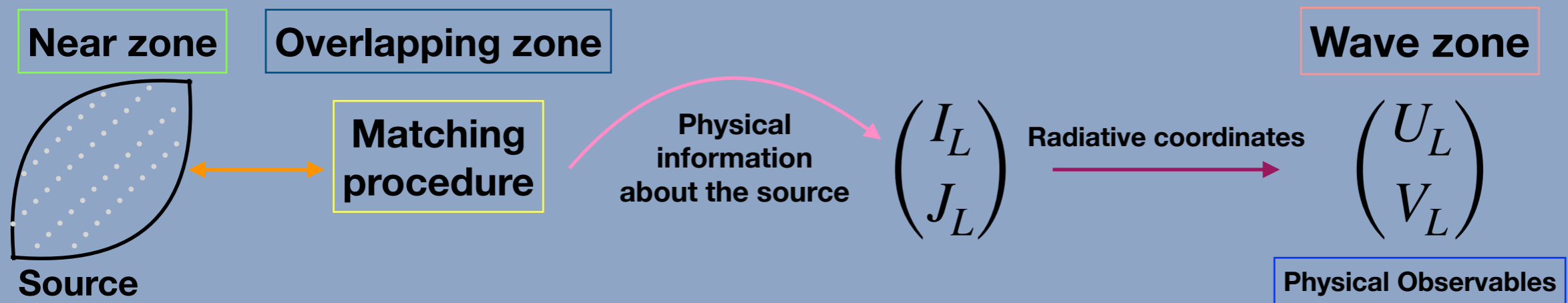
$$(\mathcal{H}^{\text{TT}})^i_i = 0$$

$$\partial^j \mathcal{H}_{ij}^{\text{TT}} = 0$$

3. In the **near zone** of the source, the EC field equations are solved through the PN iteration: the inner metric  $\mathfrak{h}_{\text{in}}^{\alpha\beta}$  is obtained.

4. The **matching procedure** is exploited in the **overlapping region**, yielding the explicit expressions of both the **source multipole moments**  $I_L, J_L$  and the **radiative moments**  $U_L, V_L$  in terms of the combined energy-momentum tensor  $\Theta^{\alpha\beta}$ .

# BLANCHET-DAMOUR APPROACH IN EC THEORY (8)



- The **matching procedure** allows to “fill” the otherwise “empty” expressions of both the source and the radiative multipole moments with **physical information** about the source.
- $I_L, J_L$  are given as well-defined (compact-support) integral expressions involving the **source variables**; in particular, they are given as integrals extending over the (compact-support) **combined stress-energy tensor**  $\Theta^{\alpha\beta}$  of the material source.
- The radiative multipole moments  $U_L, V_L$  are obtained in the form of some (non-linear) **functionals** of the source moments  $I_L, J_L$ .

# GW GENERATION PROBLEM IN EC THEORY (1)

- **External metric** at 1PN order in harmonic coordinates  $x^\mu = (ct, \mathbf{x})$ :

$$\mathfrak{h}_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta} = \mathfrak{h}_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta}(I_L, J_L)$$

$$\mathfrak{h}_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta} = \sqrt{-g} g_{\text{ext}}^{\alpha\beta} - \eta^{\alpha\beta}$$

$$\begin{aligned} g_{00}^{\text{ext}} &= -e^{-2V^{\text{ext}}/c^2} + O(c^{-6}), \\ g_{0i}^{\text{ext}} &= -\frac{4}{c^3} V_i^{\text{ext}} + O(c^{-5}), \\ g_{ij}^{\text{ext}} &= \delta_{ij} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c^2} V^{\text{ext}} \right) + O(c^{-4}), \end{aligned}$$

The qualifier  $n$ PN refers to a correction of the order  $c^{-2n}$

External potentials

$$\begin{aligned} V^{\text{ext}} &= G \sum_{l=0}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^l}{l!} \partial_L \left( \frac{I_L(u)}{r} \right), \\ V_i^{\text{ext}} &= -G \sum_{l=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^l}{l!} \left\{ \partial_{L-1} \left( \frac{\dot{I}_{iL-1}(u)}{r} \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{l}{l+1} \epsilon_{iab} \partial_{aL-1} \left( \frac{J_{bL-1}(u)}{r} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$r = |\mathbf{x}| = (x^i x_i)^{1/2}$$

$$u \equiv t - r/c$$

# GW GENERATION PROBLEM IN EC THEORY (2)

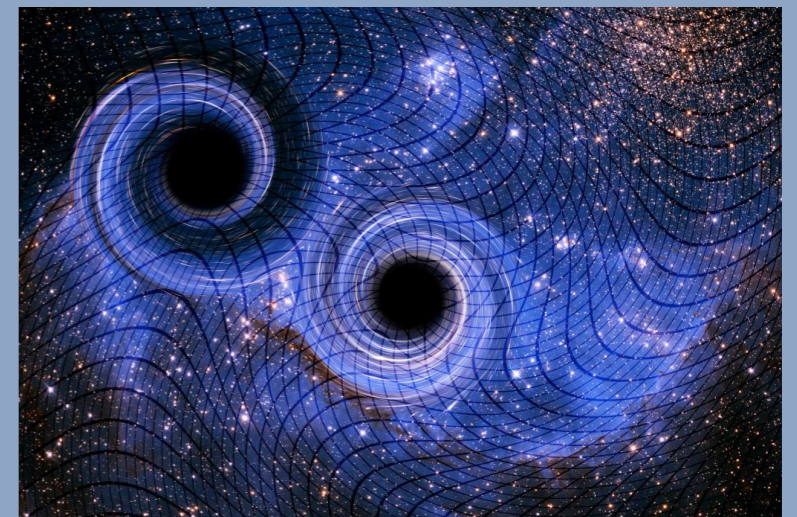
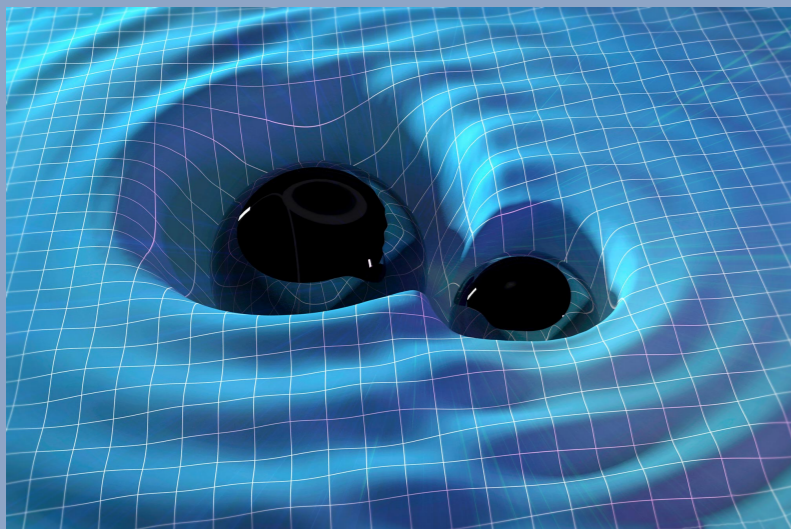
- Upon introducing in the **wave zone** the **radiative coordinates**  $X^\mu = (cT, X)$ , the analysis of the **asymptotic expansion** of the **external metric** yields

$$(u = t - r/c) \quad U_L(u) = I_L^{(l)}(u) + O(c^{-3}),$$
$$(l \geq 2) \quad V_L(u) = J_L^{(l)}(u) + O(c^{-2}).$$

Relation between harmonic coordinates  $x^\mu = (ct, \mathbf{x})$   
and radiative coordinates  $X^\mu = (cT, X)$ :

$$\mathcal{U} = u + O(c^{-3})$$

$$\mathcal{U} = T - |X|/c$$



# GW GENERATION PROBLEM IN EC THEORY (3)

- **Inner metric** at 1PN order in harmonic coordinates  $x^\mu = (ct, \mathbf{x})$ :

$$g_{00}^{\text{in}} = -e^{-2V^{\text{in}}/c^2} + O(c^{-6}),$$

$$g_{0i}^{\text{in}} = -\frac{4}{c^3} V_i^{\text{in}} + O(c^{-5}),$$

$$g_{ij}^{\text{in}} = \delta_{ij} \left( 1 + \frac{2}{c^2} V^{\text{in}} \right) + O(c^{-4}),$$

Inner potentials

$$V^{\text{in}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = G \int \frac{d^3y}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} \sigma(t - |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|/c, \mathbf{y}),$$

$$V_i^{\text{in}}(t, \mathbf{x}) = G \int \frac{d^3y}{|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|} \sigma_i(t - |\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}|/c, \mathbf{y}),$$

$$\sigma \equiv \frac{\Theta^{00} + \Theta^{kk}}{c^2} = \frac{T^{00} + T^{kk}}{c^2} + (8\pi G) \frac{\mathcal{S}^{00} + \mathcal{S}^{kk}}{c^6}$$

$$\sigma_i \equiv \frac{\Theta^{0i}}{c} = \frac{T^{0i}}{c} + (8\pi G) \frac{\mathcal{S}^{0i}}{c^5}$$



# GW GENERATION PROBLEM IN EC THEORY (4)

- **Matching procedure** in the overlapping domain: the internal field and the external metric should be **isometric**.



$$(u = t - r/c)$$

$$y_{\langle L \rangle} = \check{y}_L \quad \text{STF projection of } y_L$$

$$I_L(u) = \int d^3\mathbf{y} y_{\langle L \rangle} \sigma(\mathbf{y}, u) + \frac{1}{2(2l+3)} \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d^2}{du^2} \int d^3\mathbf{y} y_{\langle L \rangle} \mathbf{y}^2 \sigma(\mathbf{y}, u) - \frac{4(2l+1)}{(l+1)(2l+3)} \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{d}{du} \int d^3\mathbf{y} y_{\langle iL \rangle} \sigma_i(\mathbf{y}, u) + O(c^{-4}), \quad (l \geq 0),$$

$$J_L(u) = \int d^3\mathbf{y} \epsilon_{ab\langle iL-1 \rangle a} \check{y}_{L-1} \sigma_b(\mathbf{y}, u) + O(c^{-2}), \quad (l \geq 1),$$

$$\sigma \equiv \frac{\Theta^{00} + \Theta^{kk}}{c^2} = \frac{T^{00} + T^{kk}}{c^2} + (8\pi G) \frac{\mathcal{S}^{00} + \mathcal{S}^{kk}}{c^6}$$

$$\sigma_i \equiv \frac{\Theta^{0i}}{c} = \frac{T^{0i}}{c} + (8\pi G) \frac{\mathcal{S}^{0i}}{c^5}$$

$$U_L(u) = \overset{(l)}{I}_L(u) + O(c^{-3}),$$

$$V_L(u) = \overset{(l)}{J}_L(u) + O(c^{-2}).$$

$$(l \geq 2)$$

**Solution** of GW generation problem in EC theory at **1PN level**

# GW GENERATION PROBLEM IN EC THEORY (5)

- 1PN-accurate asymptotic gravitational radiation **amplitude** (or **waveform**)

$$\mathcal{H}_{ij}^{\text{TT}}(X^\mu) = \frac{2G}{c^4 \mathcal{R}} \mathcal{P}_{ijkl}(\mathcal{N}) \left\{ U_{kl}(\mathcal{U}) + \frac{1}{c} \left[ \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{N}_a U_{kla}(\mathcal{U}) + \frac{4}{3} \epsilon_{ab(k} V_{l)a}(\mathcal{U}) \mathcal{N}_b \right] + \frac{1}{c^2} \left[ \frac{1}{12} \mathcal{N}_{ab} U_{klab}(\mathcal{U}) + \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_{ab(k} V_{l)ac}(\mathcal{U}) \mathcal{N}_{bc} \right] + O(c^{-3}) \right\}.$$

- Total **radiated power** (or **luminosity** or **flux**) of the source at 1PN order

$$\mathcal{F}(\mathcal{U}) = \frac{G}{c^5} \left\{ \frac{1}{5} \overset{(1)}{U}_{ij}(\mathcal{U}) \overset{(1)}{U}_{ij}(\mathcal{U}) + \frac{1}{c^2} \left[ \frac{1}{189} \overset{(1)}{U}_{ijk}(\mathcal{U}) \overset{(1)}{U}_{ijk}(\mathcal{U}) + \frac{16}{45} \overset{(1)}{V}_{ij}(\mathcal{U}) \overset{(1)}{V}_{ij}(\mathcal{U}) \right] + O(c^{-4}) \right\}.$$

# APPLICATION TO A BINARY NS SYSTEM (1)

- $N$  weakly self-gravitating, slowly moving, widely separated **spinning** bodies.

$$U_{ij} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \sum_{A=1}^N m_A \left\{ r_A^{\langle i} r_A^{j \rangle} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{c^2} \left( \frac{3}{2} v_A^2 - \sum_{B \neq A} \frac{G m_B}{|\mathbf{r}_A - \mathbf{r}_B|} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{14c^2} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left( r_A^2 r_A^{\langle i} r_A^{j \rangle} \right) - \frac{20}{21c^2} \frac{d}{dt} \left( v_A^k r_A^{\langle i} r_A^{j \rangle} r_A^k \right) \right\} + \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \sum_{A=1}^N \left\{ \frac{4}{c^2} \left[ (\mathbf{v}_A \times \mathbf{s}_A)^i r_A^j + (\mathbf{v}_A \times \mathbf{s}_A)^j r_A^i - \frac{2}{3} \delta^{ij} (\mathbf{v}_A \times \mathbf{s}_A) \cdot \mathbf{r}_A \right] - \frac{4}{3c^2} \frac{d}{dt} \left[ (\mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{s}_A)^i r_A^j + (\mathbf{r}_A \times \mathbf{s}_A)^j r_A^i \right] \right\} + O(c^{-3}),$$

mass quadrupole moment

$$U_{ijk} = \frac{d^3}{dt^3} \sum_A m_A r_A^{\langle i} r_A^j r_A^k \rangle + O(c^{-2}),$$

mass octupole moment

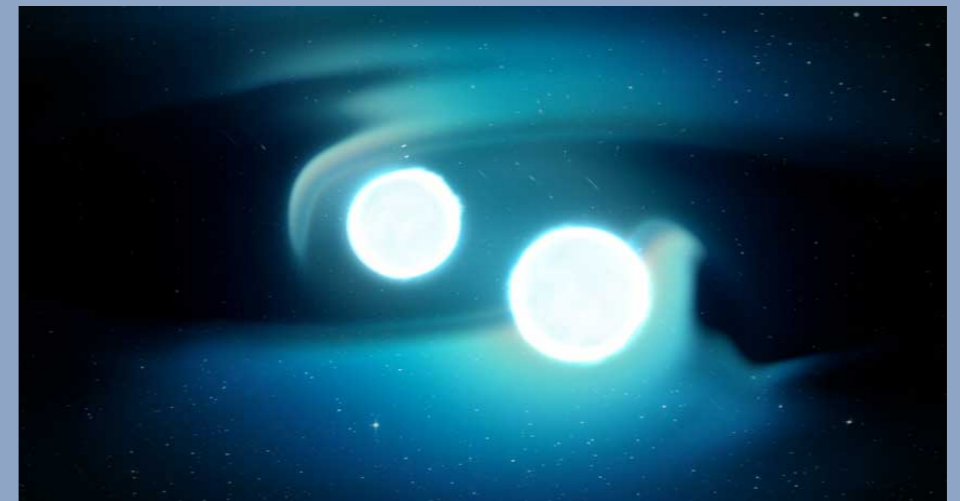
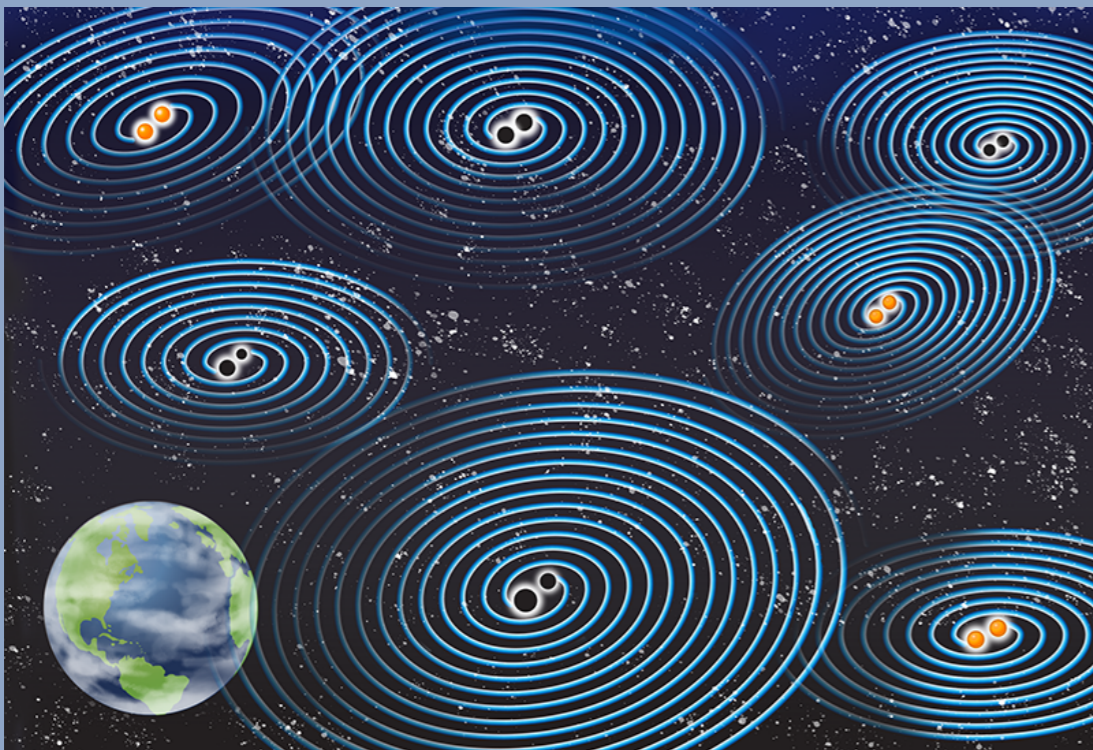
$$V_{ij} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left\{ \sum_A m_A \epsilon^{kl \langle i} r_A^{j \rangle} r_A^k v_A^l + \frac{1}{2} \sum_A \left[ 3 \left( s_A^i r_A^j + s_A^j r_A^i \right) - 2 \delta^{ij} \mathbf{s}_A \cdot \mathbf{r}_A \right] \right\} + O(c^{-2}),$$

current quadrupole moment

# APPLICATION TO A BINARY NS SYSTEM (2)

$$U_{ijkl} = \frac{d^4}{dt^4} \sum_{A=1}^N m_A r_A^{\langle i} r_A^j r_A^k r_A^{\rangle l} + O(c^{-2}),$$

mass  $2^4$ -pole moment



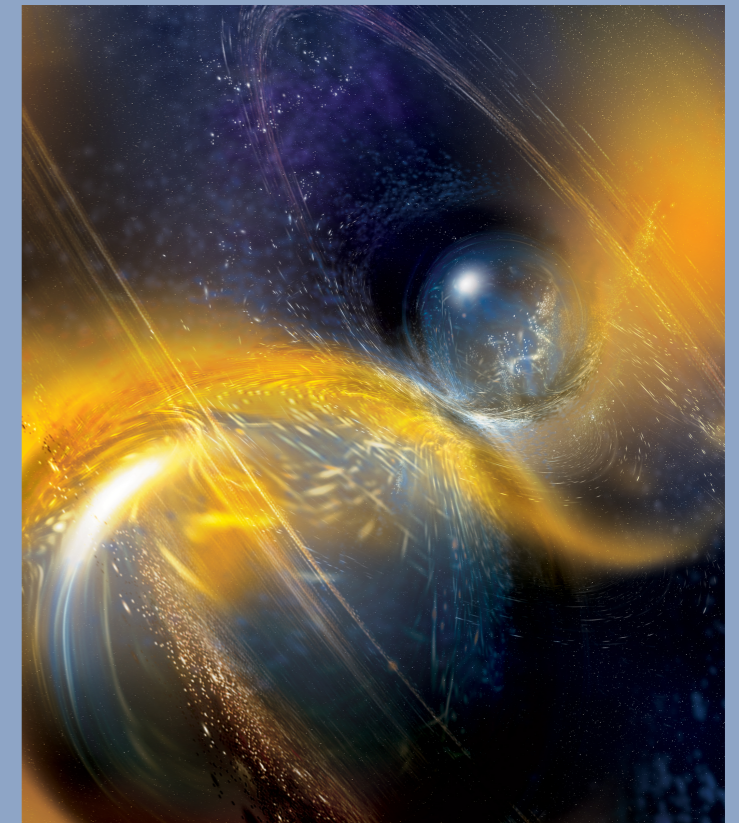
$$V_{ijk} = \frac{d^3}{dt^3} \sum_{A=1}^N \left[ m_A r_A^{\langle i} r_A^j \epsilon^{k\rangle lp} r_A^l v_A^p + 2 \left( r_A^n s_A^q \delta_n^{\langle i} r_A^j \delta_q^{\rangle k} - \mathbf{r}_A \cdot \mathbf{s}_A \delta_n^{\langle i} r_A^j \delta_n^{\rangle k} + s_A^q r_A^{\langle i} r_A^j \delta_q^{\rangle k} \right) \right] + O(c^{-2}).$$

current octupole moment

# APPLICATION TO A BINARY NS SYSTEM (3)

- Let us consider a binary NS system

$$\begin{aligned}m_1 &= 1.60M_\odot \\m_2 &= 1.17M_\odot \\|s_1| &= 1.21 \times 10^{57} \hbar \\|s_2| &= 4.73 \times 10^{56} \hbar \\R_{\text{av}} &= 4.69 \times 10^8 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$



$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{F}}(t) \equiv \left| \frac{\mathcal{F}_{\text{EC}}(t)}{\mathcal{F}_{\text{GR}}(t)} \right|,$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{\mathcal{H}}(t) \equiv \left| \mathcal{H}_{11}^{\text{GR}}(t) \right| - \left| \mathcal{H}_{11}^{\text{EC}}(t) \right|.$$

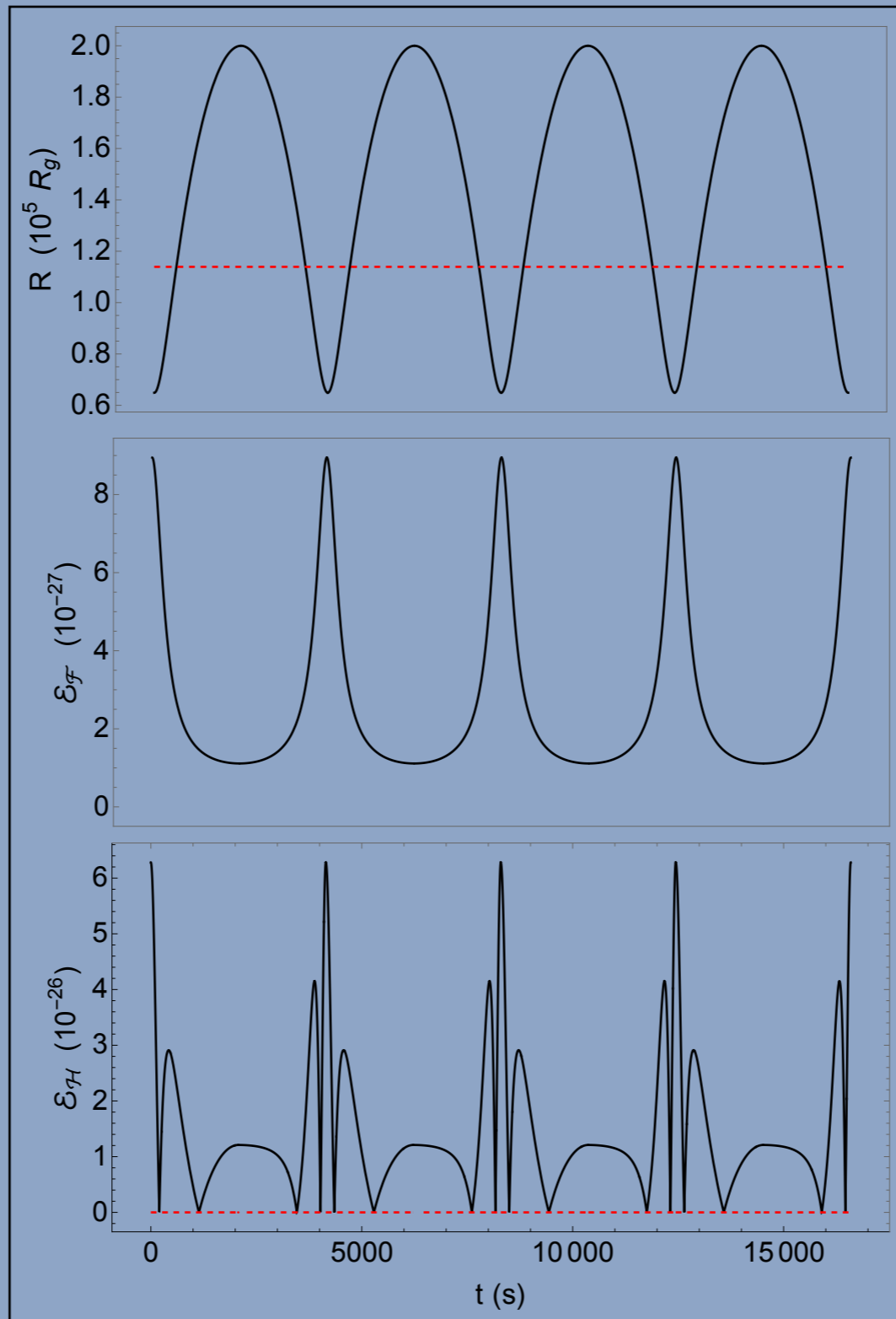
EC contribution to GR flux

EC contribution to GR waveform

# APPLICATION TO A BINARY NS SYSTEM (4)

- **Plots**

The average EC contributions are smaller than GR ones by a factor  $10^{-23}$

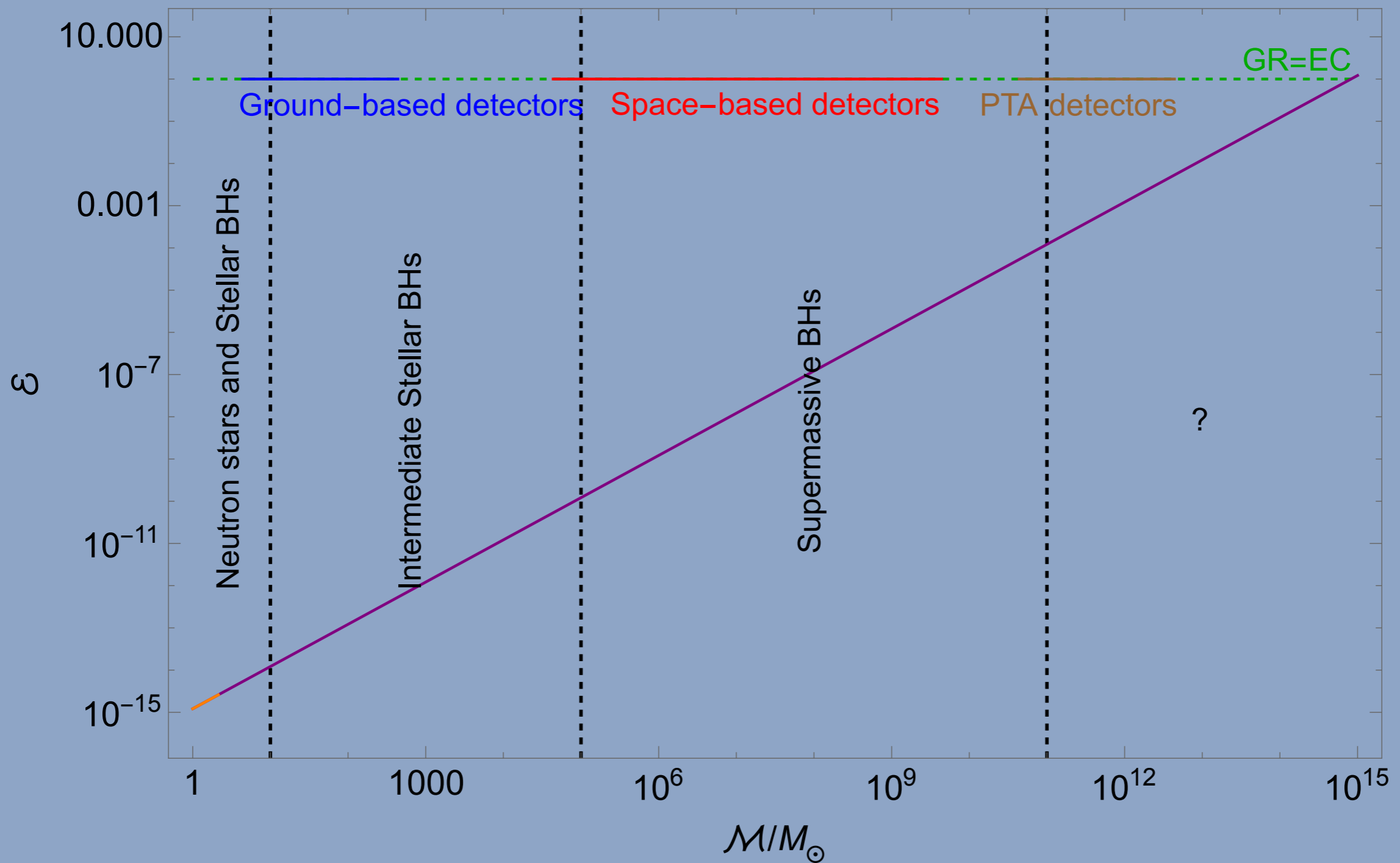


**Function  $R(t)$**

**Function  $\mathcal{E}_F(t)$**

**Function  $\mathcal{E}_H(t)$**

# APPLICATION TO BINARY BH SYSTEMS



GR and EC effects are **comparable** for masses of the order of  $10^{14} M_{\odot}$ ,  
 which corresponds to a **GW frequency** of the order of  $10^{-12}$  Hz.

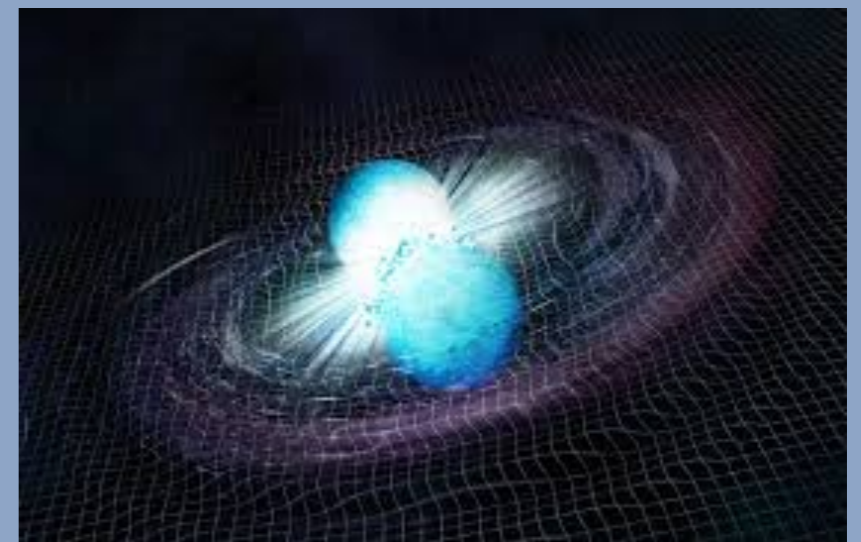
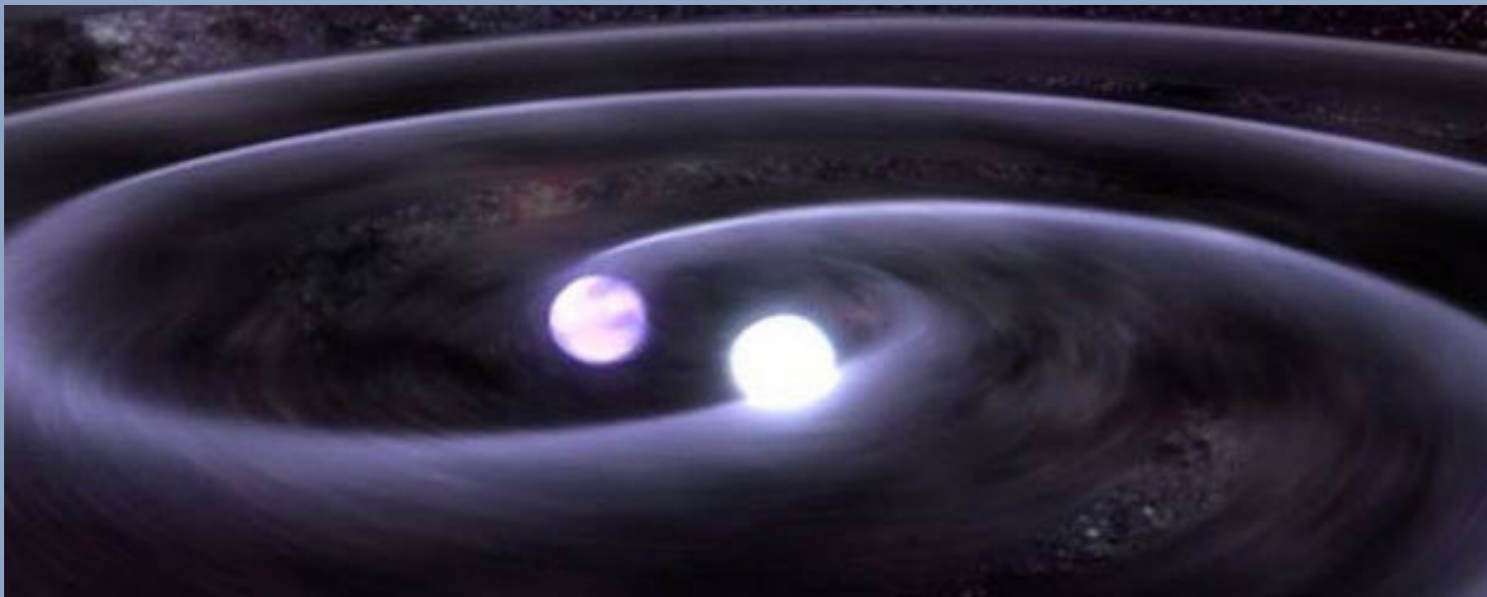
# CONCLUSIONS (1)

- The research activity underlying this seminar aims at understanding possible **quantum** imprints in the propagation of GWs produced by **spinning PN sources in EC theory**, namely spinning, weakly self-gravitating, slowly moving, and weakly stressed sources.
- We have solved the **GW generation problem** at 1PN level by extending the **Blanchet-Damour** approach to EC theory.
- We have evaluated the **1PN-accurate asymptotic gravitational waveform** and the **luminosity** of the source.



## CONCLUSIONS (2)

- We have provided a concrete application by applying the Blanchet-Damour method to a **binary NS system**
- The case of **binary BH systems** has also been considered. We have seen that EC corrections imprinted in their gravitational-wave signal can be potentially detected by means of the **pulsar timing array technique**.



- **Future work:** analysis of the behavior of compact binaries in their **later evolution phases** (i.e., **plunge, merger, ringdown**)

# CONCLUSIONS (3)

- **Further details can be found in:**
- “*First post-Newtonian generation of gravitational waves in Einstein-Cartan theory*” (Emmanuele Battista and Vittorio De Falco), Phys. Rev. D 104, 084067 (2021)
- “*Gravitational waves at the first post-Newtonian order with the Weyssenhoff fluid in Einstein-Cartan theory*” (Emmanuele Battista and Vittorio De Falco), Eur. Phys. J. C 82, 628 (2022)
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- “*Radiative losses and radiation-reaction effects at the first post-Newtonian order in Einstein-Cartan theory*” (Vittorio De Falco, Emmanuele Battista, Davide Usseglio, and Salvatore Capozziello), to appear on Eur. Phys. J. C