

# High spin NR and NR follow-up

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## Disclaimer

Most of the contents of  
this brief talk will not  
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## High spinning black hole binaries

- Highly spinning black holes are out there.
- To detect them and measure their parameters correctly, models that include waveforms for large values of spins  $\chi_i = S_i/m_i^2 \sim 1$  need to be developed.
- Simulating highly spinning binaries is difficult: complicated to create initial data and tricky to evolve.
- In [gr-qc] 1804.03704, these non-precessing SXS waveforms
  - $q = 1.22$ ,  $\chi_1 = 0.330$ ,  $\chi_2 = -0.439$  (not high spin)
  - $q = 1.3$ ,  $\chi_1 = 0.961$ ,  $\chi_2 = -0.899$
  - $q = 1$ ,  $\chi_1 = 0.998$ ,  $\chi_2 = 0.998$  (new)
  - $q = 1$ ,  $\chi_1 = -0.969$ ,  $\chi_2 = -0.969$  (new)

were analyzed with LALInference: even when both spins are aligned, recovered spins are less extreme, spin priors disfavour large spins, need higher SNR.

## SXS waveforms in open catalog

(Excision).

Spins above  $\chi_i = 0.9$ , non-precessing, included in LVC NR repository:

- $q = 1, \chi_1 = 0.96, \chi_2 = 0.96, \text{SXS:BBH:0176}$
- $q = 1, \chi_1 = 0.99, \chi_2 = 0.99, \text{SXS:BBH:0177}$
- $q = 1, \chi_1 = 0.995, \chi_2 = 0.995, \text{SXS:BBH:0178}$
- $q = 1, \chi_1 = 0.98, \chi_2 = 0.98, \text{SXS:BBH:0172}$
- $q = 1, \chi_1 = 0.95, \chi_2 = 0.95, \text{SXS:BBH:0157}$
- $q = 1, \chi_1 = 0.97, \chi_2 = 0.97, \text{SXS:BBH:0158}$
- $q = 1, \chi_1 = -0.9498, \chi_2 = -0.9498, \text{SXS:BBH:0156}$
- $q = 1.31, \chi_1 = 0.9617, \chi_2 = -0.8997, \text{SXS:BBH:0306}$
- $q = 1.5, \chi_1 = 0.9910, \chi_{2x} = 0.1414, \chi_{2z} = 0.1414, \text{precessing}$

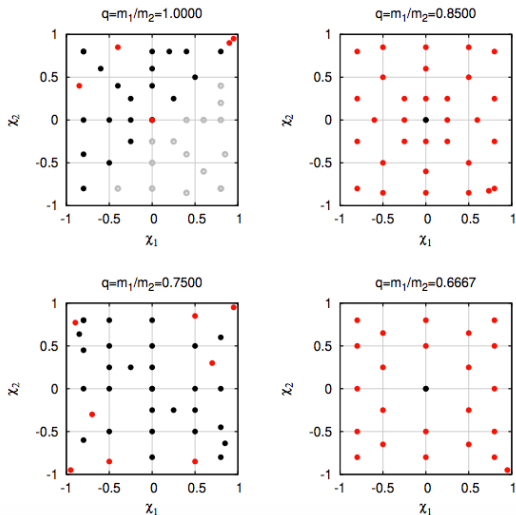
Question for Cardiff: put existing interesting waveforms in LVC NR repo or make new simulations in uncovered areas of parameter space?

## RIT waveforms in open catalog

(Moving punctures).  
Spins above  $\chi_i = 0.85$ ,  
non-precessing:

- $q = 1$ ,  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = 0.95$
- $q = 1$ ,  $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = 0.9$
- $q = 1.33$ ,  
 $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = 0.95$
- $q = 1.33$ ,  
 $\chi_1 = \chi_2 = -0.95$
- $q = 1.508$ ,  $\chi_1 = 0.95$ ,  
 $\chi_2 = -0.95$

Create more  $\chi_i > 0.9$   
simulations to decrease  
extrapolation error.



Figures from [gr-qc] 1901.02553.

## NR follow-up simulations - useful?

- Current models are expected to cover most events to be detected.
- However, PE results may correspond to a poorly described area of parameter space, or available models may give different results.
- Possibility to run simulations around the event, to improve coverage of existing models or to create a local model.
- Many aspects to take into account:
  - Number of waveforms
  - Distance in parameter space
  - Time needed for performing simulations
  - Time needed to create the model
  - Etc.
- Discussion: better leave computational resources for developing current models or use some for follow-ups? Related issues?