### Eccentricity

- a measure of the extent of deviation from circularity
- Many different definitions:
- Analytical modeling: e.g. PN, EOB, GSF



In NR: eccentricity estimates are averaged quantities (examples e.g. in Mroue+ arXiv:1004.4697)

Optimization algorithm to map NR  $\leftrightarrow$  AR quantities Habib & Huerta arXiv:1904.09295

# Challenges for modeling (PN, EOB)

- Richer features (multi-frequency, higher modes important ...)
- Hereditary effects less straightforward to compute explicitly



## Examples of recent progress in PN

\*not comprehensive

Nonspinning waveforms

- Amplitudes incl tails, post-adiabatic: Boetzel+ arXiv:1904.11814
- 3PN Frequency-domain: Moore & Yunes arXiv:1903.05203

**Spins+eccentricity** 

- Fourier-domain waveform model Klein+ arXiv:1801.08542

**PN+NR for moderate eccentricities** 

- Huerta+ "ENIGMA", Hinder+arXiv:1709.02007

## **Eccentricity in EOB**



Calibration to NR mainly for circular orbits

**Radiative sector** 

$$h_{22}^{\text{EOB}}(t) = h^{\text{Newt}} e^{-2i\Phi} S_{\text{eff}} \rho^2 T e^{i\delta} h^{\text{NQC}}$$
Factorized
waveform from
PN + GSF + NR
specialized to
quasi-circular

#### Eccentricity: Self-force (SF) for EMRIs/IMRIs

- Eccentricity? Hopman & Alexander (2005) (much added work since) EMRIs may enter LISA passband with  $e \simeq 0.7 - 0.8$  max
- Why SF? Get cumulative phase accurate to < 0.01 0.1 radian
- Status of SF for eccentric EMRIs:
  - Schwarzschild primary

All 1st-order in mass ratio  $\varepsilon = 1/q$  effects (most post-1 adiabatic effects) Time domain and frequency domain codes

Barack & Sago 2007,10,11, Warburton et al. 2012, Akcay et al. 2013, Osburn et al. 2014 FD SF data "tile" (p, e) space Long-term evolutions (including with secondary spin)

Osburn et al. 2016, Warburton et al. 2017

Fast SF inspirals van de Meent & Warburton 2018

• Kerr primary

#### Eccentricity: Roadblocks to SF for EMRIs/IMRIs

• Need at least 2nd-order SF fluxes to complete post-1 adiabatic

See recent by Miller, Wardell, Pound 2016 and earlier by Pound, Gralla

Cumulative radial libration phase

$$\Phi_r = \frac{\kappa_0}{\varepsilon} + \frac{\kappa_{1/2}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} + \kappa_1 \varepsilon^0 + \frac{\kappa_{3/2}}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} + \kappa_2 \varepsilon^1 + \cdots$$

 $\kappa_0 = 1$ st-order fluxes

 $\kappa_1 = 1$ st-order oscillatory diss and conserv SF + 2nd-order fluxes

- Must cope with (on Kerr) transient resonances
  - Important  $\Omega_r$ ,  $\Omega_\theta$  resonances-1:2, 2:3, etc
  - Enhance or decrease flux during passage
  - Cause jump in orbital parameters vs adiabatic evolution

Hinderer & Flanagan 2008, Flanagan & Hinderer 2012, Flanagan et al. 2015, Berry et al. 2016, 17

#### Eccentric EMRI Waveforms: Faint Quasi-Normal Bursts

- $\bullet\,$  Thornburg  $\sim\,2016$  found QNM excitation in TD generic Kerr scalar SF
- Nasipak et al. (soon 2019) confirmed QNM in a FD Kerr SSF code Examined waveform and found repeated faint QNM bursts (Orbit: p = 8.0, e = 0.8, i = 0, a/M = 0.99)



• In principle detectable–requires high e, high a, and (very) high SNR

### Where are we now in NR?

- Several groups performed first systematic studies of eccentric BH binaries:
  - SXS (SpEC), Hinder+ (23 non-spinning), Huerta+ (89 non-spinning, 1 ≤ q ≤ 10, e ≤ 0.19), Ramos+ (poster, 63 with e ≤ 0.5, non-precessing),
  - Key result: circularisation for moderate initial eccentricity.
- **Good news:** does not require fine-tuned initial data (like quasi-circular), evolution is not much more complicated than quasi-circular case.

### • Problems:

- Complete waveforms: connecting to PN regime (constructing hybrids) much more expensive: binary has to be in PN regime @ periastron
   => very far @ apastron for larger eccentricity. => long evolutions => expensive
- With spin -> with precession. Large parameter space!
- Higher harmonics tend to be very noisy.
- Need WFs for high mass ratio, to connect to EMRI limit. Teukolsky, self-force, etc.

### Where are we now in phenomenological WF modelling?

- Personal belief: to understand/model complicated phenomenology, it is useful to utilise complementarity between time and Fourier domains.
  - Fourier domain eccentric waveforms show complex structure.
  - Time domain phenom model ~ PhenomD accuracy (poster H. Estellés+)
- Accelerated evaluation with "multi-banding" (poster García+)
   -> will need to be modified for eccentricity
- "Standalone" time domain models: Hinder+, Huerta+.
- Oth approximation: glue eccentric PN to phenomenological model for last orbits up to ringdown (rapid circularisation for last orbits)
- Ongoing work to incorporate eccentricity into "IMRPhenom" family.

### Problems, Questions, Challenges

- Need collaboration of NR and PN+ to match solutions of full GR to perturbative results.
  - Measure eccentricity in NR simulations for large eccentricity, with precession?
  - Build eccentric hybrids, add spin precession, high mass ratio => injections
    - Subdominant spherical harmonics.
    - Accuracy assessment!



- Many problems in NR not related to eccentricity:
  - Room for optimising codes and procedures.
  - Need "cleaner" NR waveforms + solid error bars.

