

Gravitational multipoles beyond Einstein gravity

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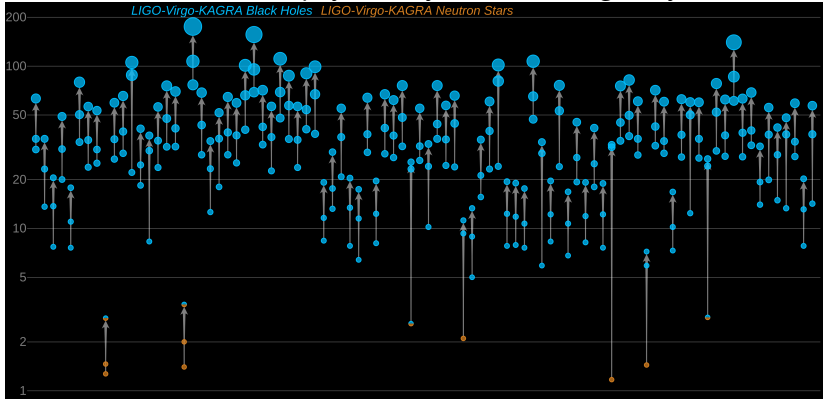
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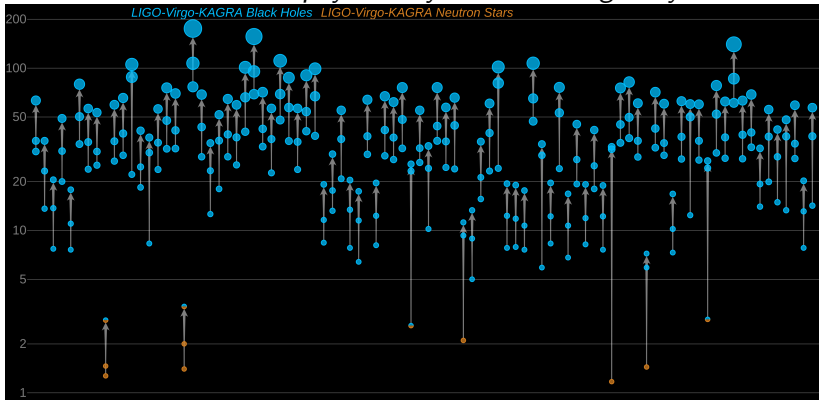
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- ◆ Testing beyond GR requires predictions comparable to experimental data
- ◆ Not so easy for EFT as well as top-down approaches

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Important *now*

*Because LISA and other GW experiments are coming online **soon***

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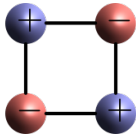
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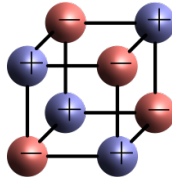
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Multipole ratios examples

$$\frac{M_{n+1}M_{n+2}}{M_nM_{n+3}} \xrightarrow{\text{Kerr lim}} 1 - \frac{4}{3 + (-1)^n(2n+1)},$$
$$\frac{M_2S_n}{M_{n+1}S_1} \xrightarrow{\text{Kerr lim}} 1.$$

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String theory restrictions?

- ◆ Demand ratios of BH-like solutions to match BH ones in the BH limit
- ◆ Puts constraints on moduli space of allowed solutions in for example string theory

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$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left\{ R + \ell^4 \mathcal{L}_{(6)} + \ell^6 \mathcal{L}_{(8)} + \dots \right\},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{(6)} &= \lambda_{\text{ev}} R_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma} R_{\rho\sigma}{}^{\delta\gamma} R_{\delta\gamma}{}^{\mu\nu} + \lambda_{\text{odd}} R_{\mu\nu}{}^{\rho\sigma} R_{\rho\sigma}{}^{\delta\gamma} \tilde{R}_{\delta\gamma}{}^{\mu\nu}, \\ \mathcal{L}_{(8)} &= \epsilon_1 \mathcal{C}^2 + \epsilon_2 \tilde{\mathcal{C}}^2 + \epsilon_3 \mathcal{C} \tilde{\mathcal{C}}, \\ \mathcal{C} &= R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} R^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}, \quad \tilde{\mathcal{C}} = R_{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma}, \\ \tilde{R}^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} &= \frac{1}{2} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} R_{\alpha\beta}{}^{\rho\sigma}. \end{aligned}$$

LO type IIB string theory on a torus: $\epsilon_1 = \epsilon_2$, $\epsilon_3 = 0$

Complex function: $Z_n = M_n + iS_n$

$$\text{Kerr: } Z_n^{(0)} = M(ia)^n$$

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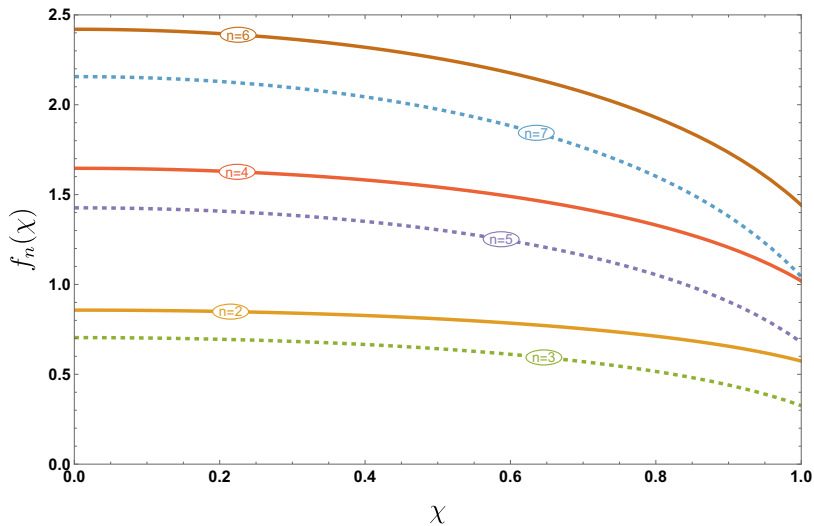
$$f_2(\chi) = -\frac{4}{7\chi^6} (8 - 4\chi^6 + 15\chi^4 - 20\chi^2 - 8(1 - \chi^2)^{5/2}),$$

$$f_3(\chi) = \frac{4}{7\chi^8} \left[4\sqrt{1 - \chi^2} (8\chi^6 - 10\chi^4 + \chi^2 + 16) \right. \\ \left. - 16 + 4\chi^8 - 13\chi^6 + 10\chi^4 - 8\chi^2 + 15\chi \arcsin(\chi) \right]$$

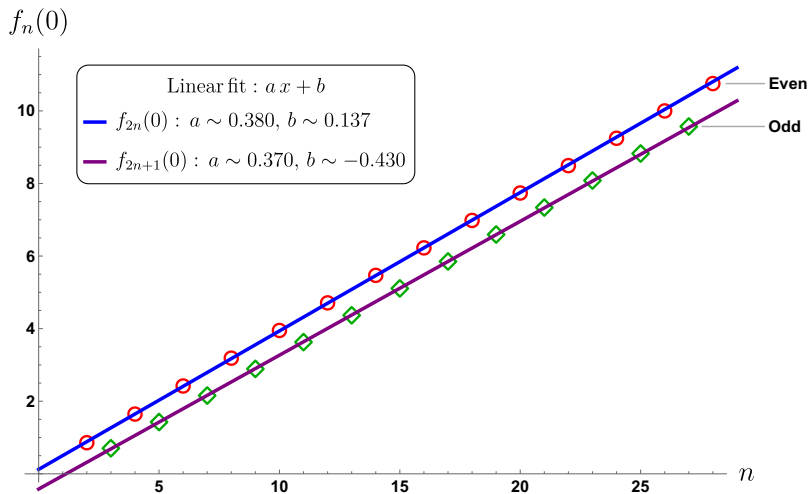
$$f_4(\chi) = \frac{8}{49\chi^8} \left[\sqrt{1 - \chi^2} (56\chi^6 - 108\chi^4 + 48\chi^2 - 311) + 28\chi^8 - 103\chi^6 \right. \\ \left. + 136\chi^4 + 24\chi^2 + 416 - \frac{840(1 + 2\chi^2)}{\chi} \arcsin(\chi) \right],$$

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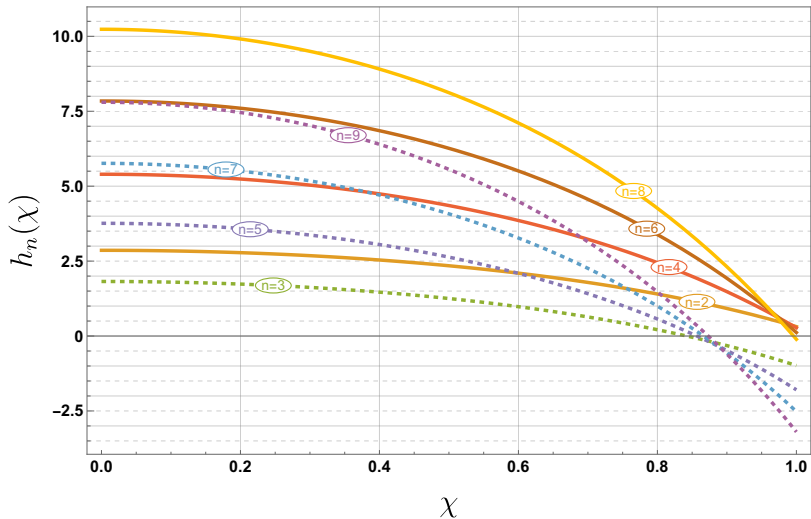
$$Z_n = Z_n^{(0)} [1 + (\hat{\epsilon}_1 + \hat{\epsilon}_2) g_n(\chi) + (\hat{\epsilon}_1 - \hat{\epsilon}_2 + i \hat{\epsilon}_3) h_n(\chi)] .$$

$$h_2(\chi) = -\frac{8}{25\chi^{10}} (64 - 80\chi^{10} + 660\chi^8 - 1545\chi^6 + 1500\chi^4 - 600\chi^2 \\ - 8(1 - \chi^2)^{5/2}(8 + 35\chi^4 - 55\chi^2)) ,$$

$$h_3(\chi) = \frac{8}{25\chi^{10}} (192 + 80\chi^{10} - 620\chi^8 + 1165\chi^6 - 620\chi^4 \\ - 200\chi^2 + 8(1 - \chi^2)^{5/2}(35\chi^4 - 35\chi^2 - 24)) .$$

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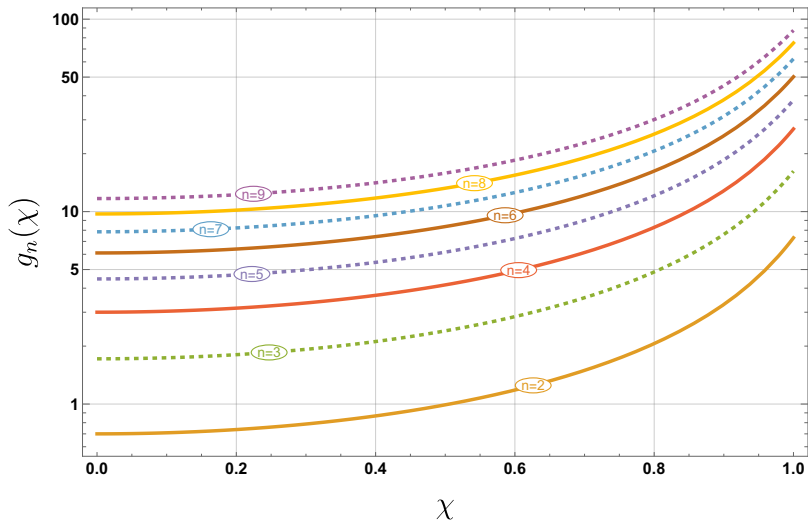


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due to the huge mass $\rightarrow$ bad constraint on scale of new physics

$$\ell \lesssim 0.1(\lambda_{\text{ev}}\chi^2)^{-1/4}M \sim 10^4 \text{ km}$$

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Best current bound - compatible with future bounds from tidal Love numbers and QNMs.

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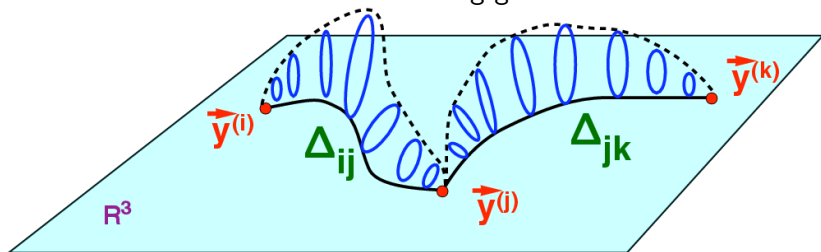


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- ◆ More general theories with matter fields.
- ◆ STU BH higher derivative corrections and ratios matching.
- ◆ Do it for other constructions in string theory - like microstate geometries?
- ◆ To that end, extend definition to $D > 4$.
- ◆ Ultimately, we need modelling of signatures of GR modifications - so go and do more! Tidal Love numbers, backreaction of linear perturbations, mergers of fuzzballs, etc.