

Gravitational Waves and the EOS: Discussion

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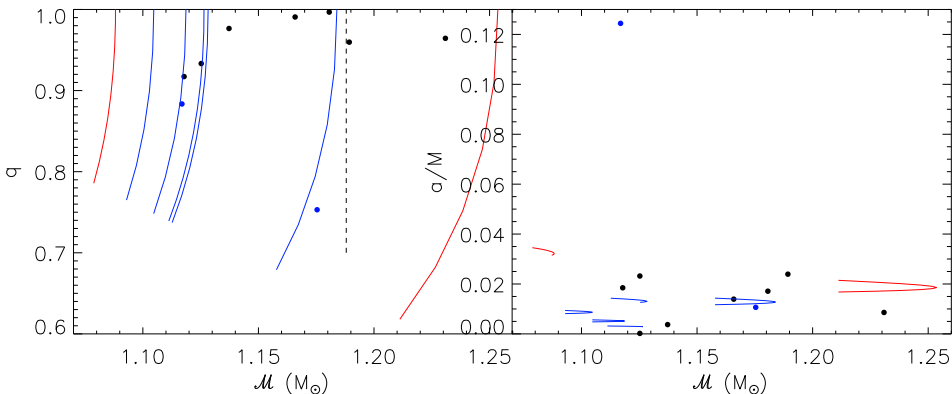
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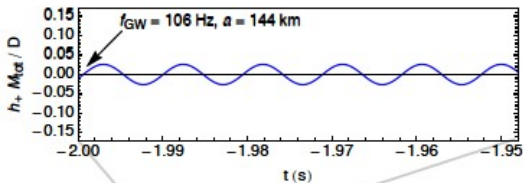
- ▶ What should we expect from future BNS and BHNS mergers?
- ▶ What's the best way to analyze GW data?
- ▶ Should the fitting parameters be tidal deformabilities or EOS parameters?
- ▶ What do we learn about the EOS from tidal deformabilities?
- ▶ What prior assumptions should be made concerning fitting parameters?
- ▶ How do prior assumptions bias data interpretations?
- ▶ Does/will GWs have evidence for quark matter?

Properties of Observed DNS

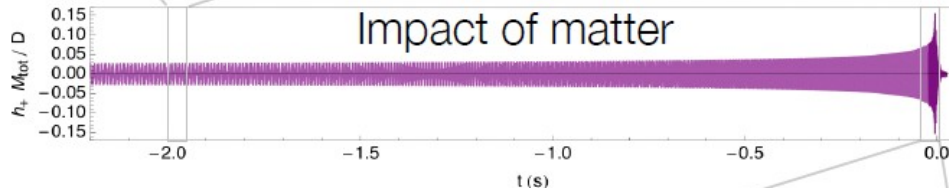
DNS with only an upper limit to m_p

DNS with $\tau_{GW} = \infty$





Hard to modify inspiral:
 transfer of $\sim 10^{46}$ erg at
 ~ 100 Hz modifies phase by
 10^{-3} radians (Crust
 shattering, Tsang et al
 1110.0467)

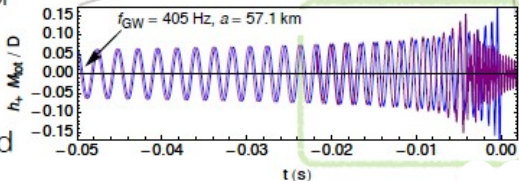


Tidal interactions lead to
 accumulated phase shift at higher
 frequencies.

$$\delta\Phi_t = -\frac{117(1+q)^4}{256q^2} \left(\frac{\pi f_{\text{GW}} GM}{c^3}\right)^{5/3} \bar{\Lambda}$$

For the final coalescence,
 numerical simulations are required

credit: Jocelyn Read



Deformability and the Radius

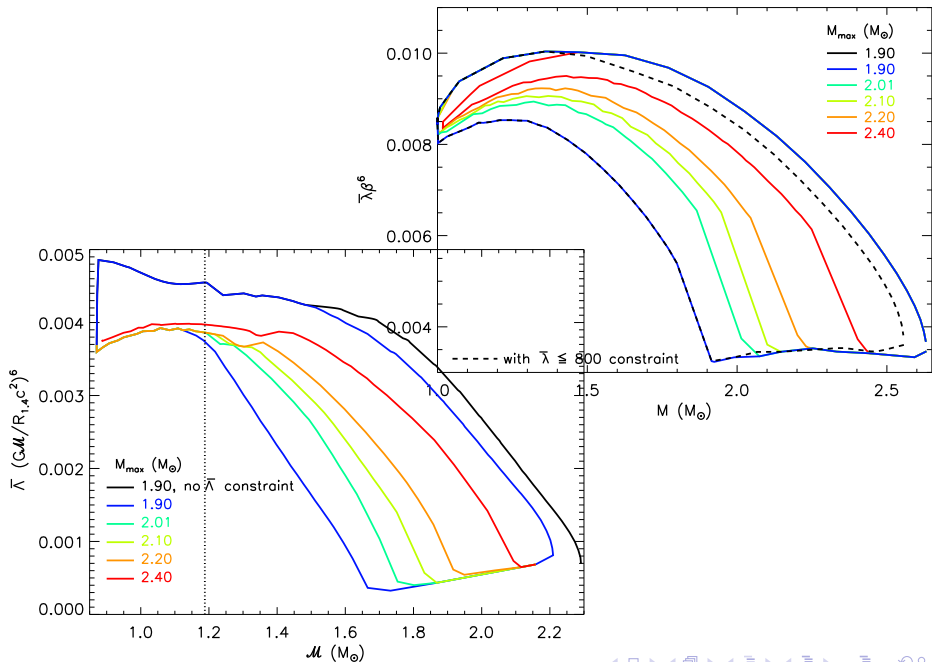
- ▶ $\Lambda = a(Rc^2/GM)^6$ for hadronic EOSs
 $a = 0.0093 \pm 0.0007$ for $M = (1.35 \pm 0.25)M_\odot$

$$\tilde{\Lambda} = \frac{16(12q+1)\Lambda_1 + q^4(12+q)\Lambda_2}{13(1+q)^5}$$

- ▶ $R_1 \simeq R_2 \simeq \hat{R}$ for $M = (1.35 \pm 0.25)M_\odot$

$$\tilde{\Lambda} \simeq \frac{16a}{13} \left(\frac{\hat{R}c^2}{GM} \right)^6 \frac{q^{8/5}}{(1+q)^{26/5}} (12 - 11q + 12q^2)$$

- ▶ $\tilde{\Lambda} = a'(\hat{R}c^2/GM)^6$
 $a' = 0.0042 \pm 0.0004$ for $M = (1.1 \pm 0.2)M_\odot$, $q > 0.6$
- ▶ $\hat{R} \simeq R_{1.4} = (11.2 \pm 0.2) \frac{M}{M_\odot} \left(\frac{\tilde{\Lambda}}{800} \right)^{1/6} \text{ km}$



LIGO/VIRGO (2017) Parameter Determination

Although there are 11 free wave-form parameters to the lowest post-Newtonian order that includes finite-size effects, LV (2017) used a model with 13 parameters to fit the waveform:

▶ Sky location (2)

▶ Distance (1)

▶ Inclination (1)

▶ Coalescence time (1)

▶ Coalescence phase (1)

▶ Polarization (1)

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▶ Component masses (2)

▶ Spin parameters (2)

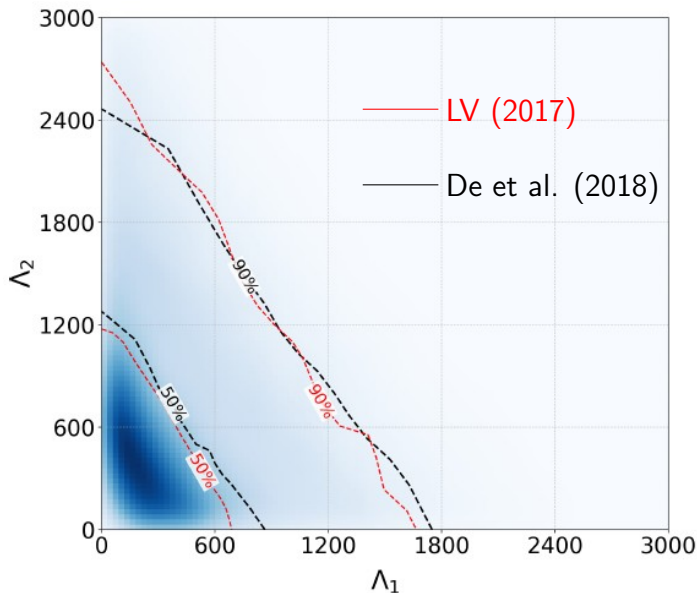
▶ Tidal parameters (2)

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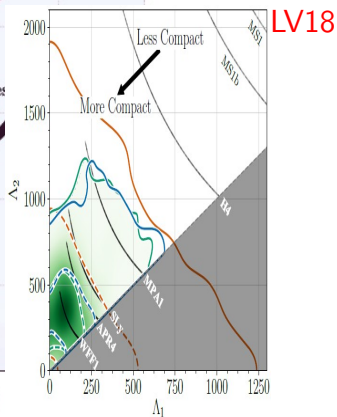
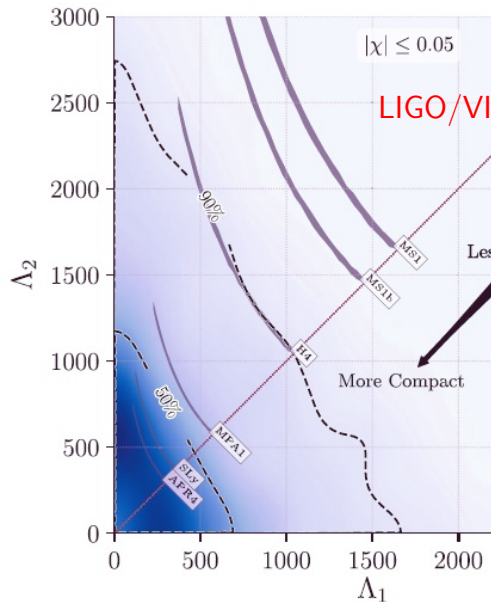
Important to Include $\Lambda_1 - \Lambda_2$ Correlations

- ▶ LIGO/VIRGO (2017) did not include these correlations, and even allowed the prior $\Lambda_1 > \Lambda_2$.
But unless $(c^2/G)dR/dM \geq 1$ for $m_2 \leq M \leq m_1$, $\Lambda_1 \leq \Lambda_2$ always. $(c^2/G)dR/dM \leq 0.26$.
- ▶ De et al. (2018) showed that correlating Λ_1 and Λ_2 reduces the estimated $\tilde{\Lambda}$ by ~ 250 and provides a significantly better fit to GW data (Bayes factor ~ 100).
- ▶ De et al. (2018), with similar priors, can reproduce LIGO/VIRGO (2017) EOS-independent results.
- ▶ The TaylorF2 waveform model seems to overestimate $\tilde{\Lambda}$ by a factor of about 1.2.
- ▶ There are lower bounds to $\Lambda(M)$ from causality and unitary gas constraints that should be included.
- ▶ Upper bounds to $\Lambda(M)$ from causality (Friedmann et al. 2017) are model-dependent.

Comparison with LV (2017); Uncorrelated Λ 's



GW170817 Tidal Deformability Constraints



EOS priors Affect Results

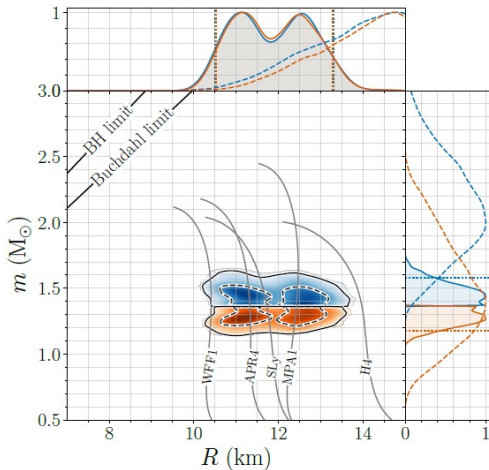
- ▶ LIGO/VIRGO (2018) claims that their parameterized spectral decomposition EOS is superior to a 3-segment piecewise polytrope EOS for inferring deformabilities.
- ▶ However, introducing EOS parameters in the waveform model increases the number of fitting parameters by 3.
- ▶ The EOS parameters were not allowed to vary over the entire ranges permitted by causality, $M_{max} \geq 1.97M_{\odot}$, and thermodynamic stability (Lindblom 2010).
- ▶ Flat priors over restricted ranges for the 5 EOS parameters result in Gaussian-like Λ priors, with therefore a strong bias toward their central values.
- ▶ This probably explains the LIGO/VIRGO (2018) claim of $\sim 50\%$ smaller uncertainties in estimated deformabilities and radii relative to De et al. (2018), although the centroids are essentially the same.

Deformability Priors

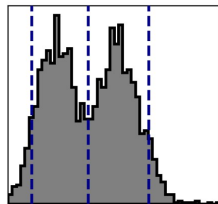
- ▶ De et al. (2018) only used their EOS parametrization to validate their deformability constraint $\Lambda_1/\Lambda_2 \simeq q^6$.
- ▶ For hadronic EOSs, one can show independently of the EOS parametrization that $q^{7.56} \leq \Lambda_1/\Lambda_2 \leq q^{5.65}$.
- ▶ The spread relative to q^6 is not significant given the quality of the GW170817 data. Introducing this uncertainty in the $\Lambda_1 - \Lambda_2$ correlation does not significantly impact the results (De et al. (2018)).
- ▶ Implemented through $\Lambda_1 = q^3\Lambda_s$ and $\Lambda_2 = q^{-3}\Lambda_s$ with a flat prior for Λ_s .

$$R_1 = R_2$$

LIGO/VIRGO (2018)



$$R_1(km) = 11.9^{+1.4}_{-1.4}$$



$$R_2(km) = 11.9^{+1.4}_{-1.4}$$

