

# When black holes collide: Probing the interior composition by the emitted gravitational waves

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- Q: What's inside a large BH?
- A: Special form of exotic matter
- Q: How can we tell?
- A: By the emitted GW when two BH's collide

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# State of the interior : Possible distribution of matter

- Classical GR, empty, surrounding a classically singular center
- Concentrated near horizon in a highly excited state (~“firewall”), interior does not exist (also fuzzballs),
- **Distributed throughout the interior region**
- Other proposals: gravstars, classical wormholes, boson stars
  - Do not have a horizon
  - Violate some basic principles, negative energy, unstable matter, ...

# State of the interior: Black holes cannot be empty

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To appear

- BH “purifier” of radiation → Interior non-classical
- Interior \*cannot\* be described by a semiclassical metric
- BH is a highly excited state, highly degenerate →  
density of states  $\gg$  density of states of “normal”  
bound states in known QFT’s, known matter

Initial state (almost) pure: solar mass BH  $S_{\text{ini}} \sim 10^{57}$ ,  $S_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^{77}$

# State of the interior: Black holes cannot be full ???!

- Known form of matter cannot support such Schwarzschild-sized objects without collapsing,
- All known interactions of standard matter are weaker than gravity

## General Relativistic Fluid Spheres

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system (see Appendix I)—the ratio of the total mass  $M$  to the (coordinate) radius  $R$  of the sphere cannot have a value greater than  $4/9$ , or  $5/18$  if the trace of the energy-momentum tensor is postulated to be non-negative. In other words, although the quantity

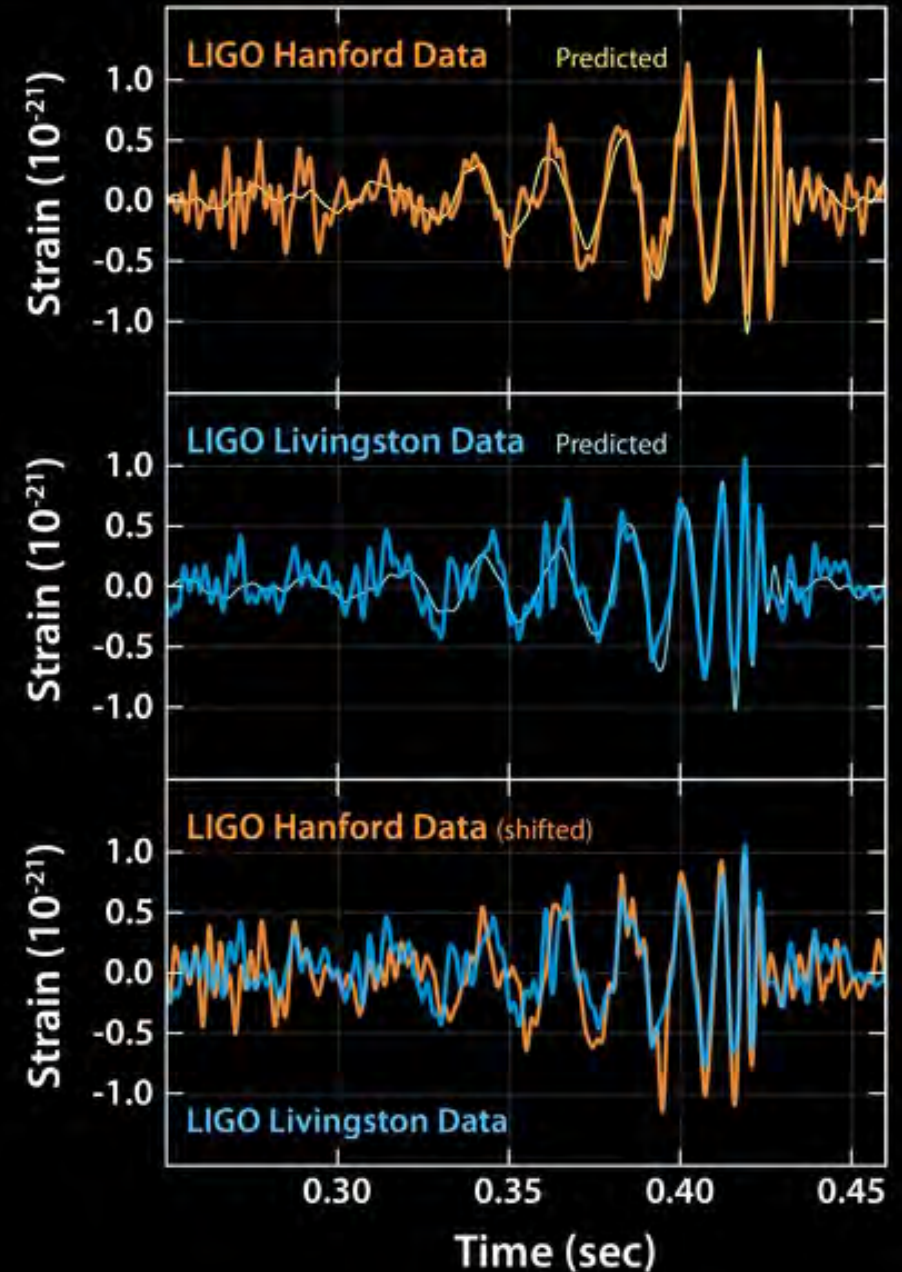
$$\Delta = 1 - 2M/R \geq 1/9 \quad (1.1)$$

No longer purely theoretical & abstract questions !

## LIGO Detected Gravitational Waves from Black Holes

On September 14, 2015 at 5:51 a.m. EDT, LIGO measured gravitational waves – arriving at the Earth from a cataclysmic event in the distant universe.

Since then 2 ~ 3 additional events,  
rate ~ months



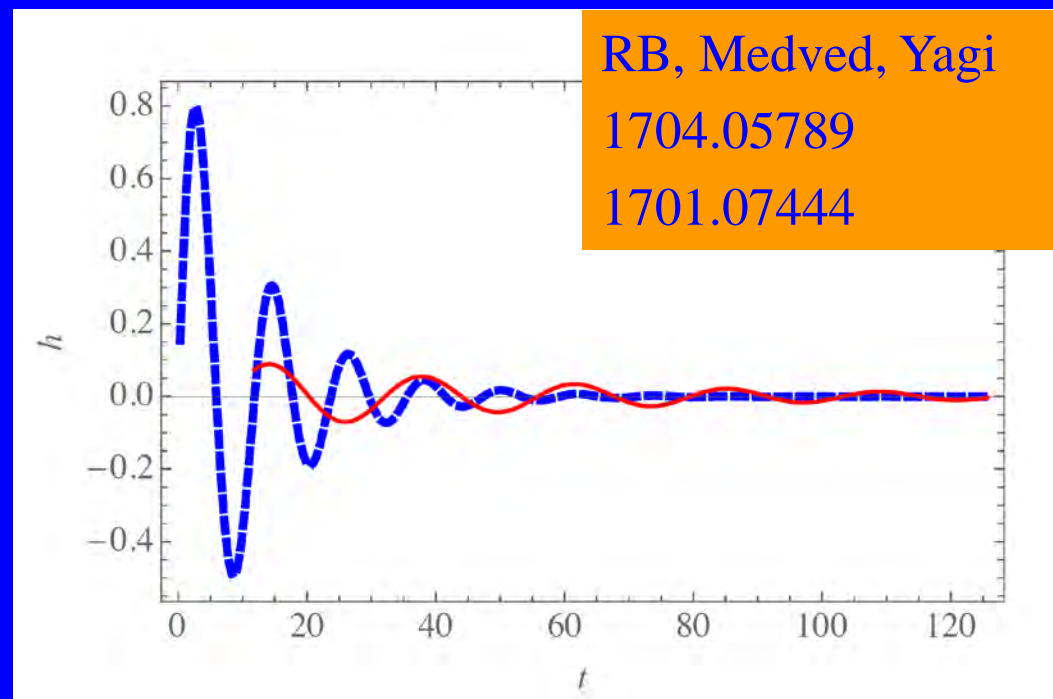
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- What happens when two BH’s collide ?

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than the leading signal.**



# Plan

- BH as a bound state of highly excited strings:  
“quantum star”, “string ball”, “collapsed polymer”
- New “quantum hair”, “supersized” Hawking radiation
- Estimate of additional GW emission from quantum BH’s
- Current and future bounds with GW observations

BH as a bound state of  
highly excited strings



# Highly excited (Hagedorn) phase of strings

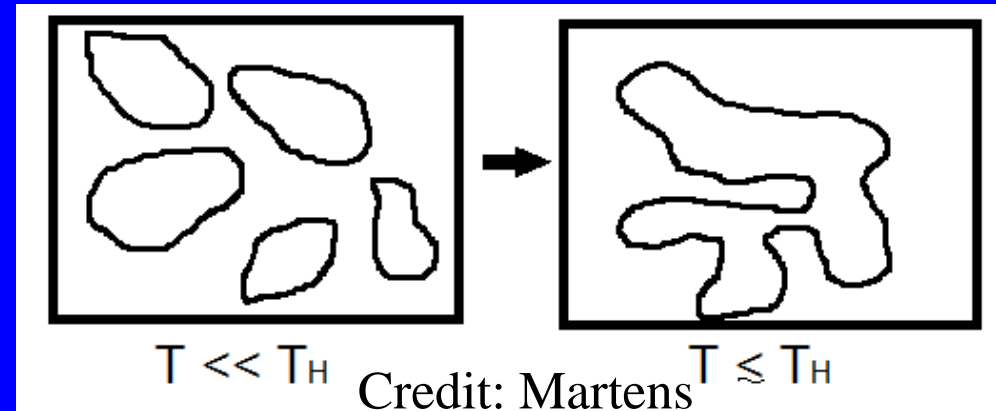
$$Z = \text{Tr} e^{-\beta H} \sim \int_0^\infty dm \exp(4\pi m \alpha'^{1/2}) \exp(-m/T)$$

$$n(m) \approx \exp(4\pi m \alpha'^{1/2})$$

Hagedorn divergence  $T_{Hag} = \frac{1}{4\pi \alpha'^{1/2}}$

$$\omega(\varepsilon) \approx \frac{V \exp(\beta_H \varepsilon)}{\varepsilon^{D/2+1}}$$

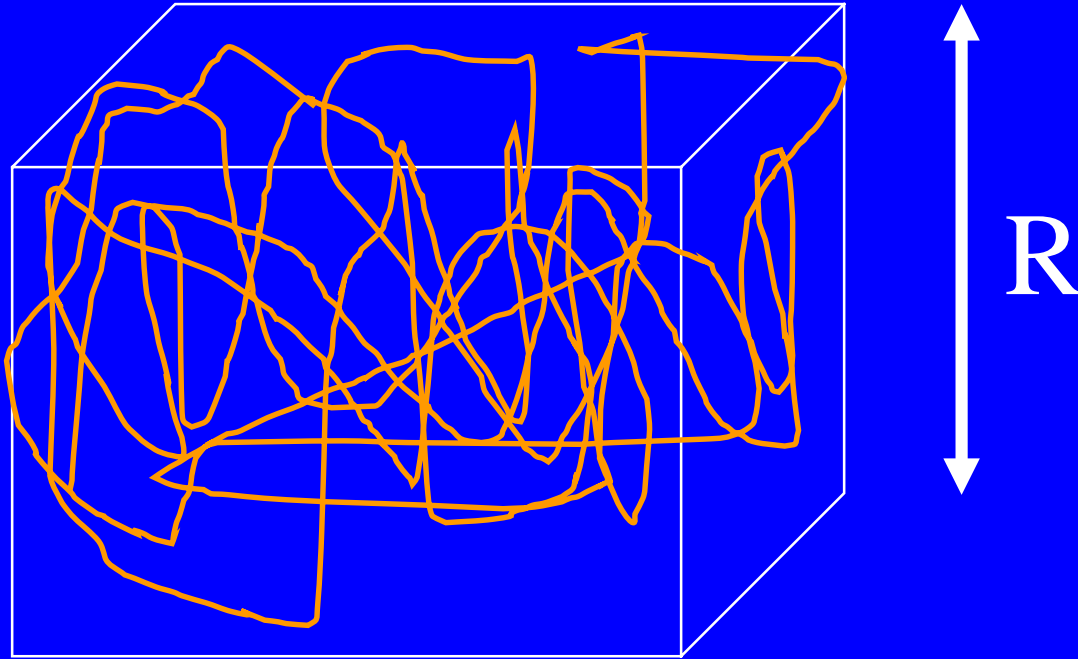
Long string: Energy, Entropy  $\sim$  Length  
 $T < T_{Hag}$ , Energy dominates  
 $T \sim T_{Hag}$ , Entropy dominates (strong coupling)



**Dominated by long string(s) : entropically favourable**

**Free long string  $\leftrightarrow$  Random walk**

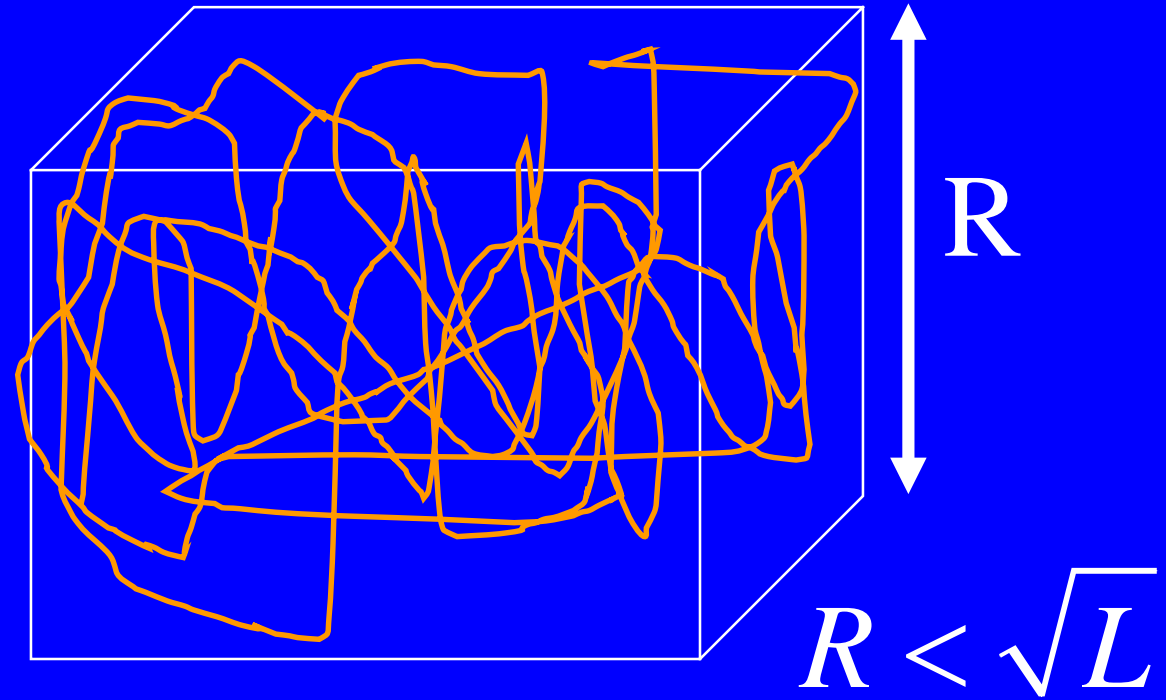
$$R = \sqrt{L}$$



# Highly excited strings in a bounded region

Salomonson & Skagerstan '86  
Low+Thorlacius '94  
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Horowitz+Polchinski '98  
Damour + Veneziano '00

Closed strings  
Total length  $L$



**Dominated by long strings**

$$N \sim (R/l_s)^{1/\nu}$$

$$l \sim L$$

$$\nu = 1/(d - 1)$$

Area law

Flory-Huggins theory of polymers

# Bound state of highly excited strings: quadratic free energy (a “collapsed polymer”)

$$-\left(\frac{F}{T_{Hag}}\right)_{strings} = \epsilon N - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g_s^2}{V} N^2$$

$$\epsilon = (T - T_{Hag})/T_{Hag}$$

$$V \sim R^d$$

$$-\left(\frac{F}{V T_{Hag}}\right) = \epsilon c - \frac{1}{2} g_s^2 c^2$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial c} = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$c = \epsilon / g_s^2$$

$$\mathcal{E} = g_s^2 \frac{N}{V}$$

$$c = N/V$$

Extremely complicated in  
terms of asymptotic fields

Solution “non-perturbative”  
not valid as  $g_s \rightarrow 0$

# BH as a bound state of highly excited strings

$$R_S = \frac{l_s}{\epsilon}$$

$$T_{Haw} = \epsilon$$

$$g_s^2 = (l_P/l_s)^{d-1}$$

$$S_{BH} = N = V \frac{\epsilon}{g_s^2} = \left( \frac{R_S}{l_p} \right)^{d-1}$$

$$E_{bound} = V \frac{\epsilon^2}{g_s^2} = \frac{1}{l_P} \left( \frac{R_S}{l_P} \right)^{d-2} = M_{BH}$$

# Lattice Gauge Theory model

Test in progress: Long Wilson loops in SU(N) lattice gauge theory slightly above the deconfinement temperature

Hanada, Maltz, Susskind, 1405.1732

RB, Cotler, Hanada, Medved, Wolfson – In progress

$$\hat{H} = N\lambda_{YM} \sum_{\vec{x}, \mu} \frac{1}{2} (E_{\mu, \vec{x}}^\alpha)^2 - \frac{N}{\lambda_{YM}} \sum_{\vec{x}, \mu, \nu} \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{Tr} \left( U_\mu(\vec{x}) U_\nu(\vec{x} + \hat{\mu}) U_\mu^\dagger(\vec{x} + \hat{\nu}) U_\nu^\dagger(\vec{x}) \right) \right)$$

$$\lambda_{YM} \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\hat{K} = N \sum_{\alpha=1, \dots, N^2} \frac{1}{2} (E_I^\alpha)^2$$

After a field redefinition

$$\left[ \hat{K}, W_{C_1, L_1} W_{C_2, L_2} \right] |0\rangle = \frac{1}{2} (L_1 + L_2) W_{C_1, L_1} W_{C_2, L_2} |0\rangle + \frac{1}{2N} \sum_I \sum_{\substack{i=1, \dots, L_1 \\ j=1, \dots, L_2}} \delta_{I, J_i} \delta_{I, J_j} W_{C_1 + C_2, L_1 + L_2} |0\rangle + \dots,$$

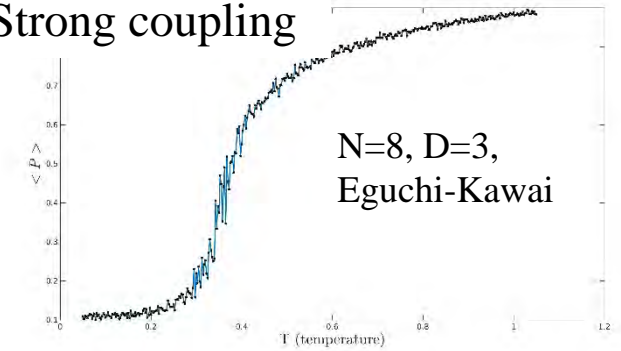
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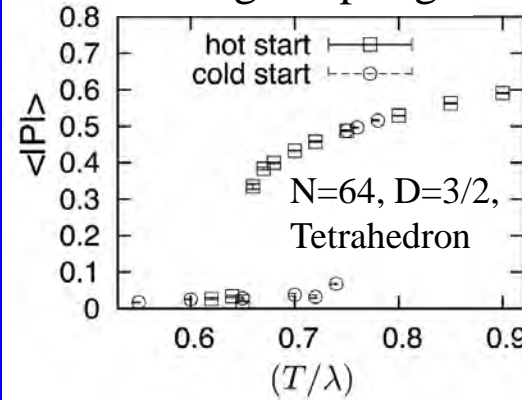
$$\frac{F_{YM}}{T_{Hag}} = -N^2 \frac{T - T_{Hag}}{T_{Hag}} + \frac{N^4}{NT_{Hag}^d V_{YM}} + \dots,$$

$$F_{YM} = -L\epsilon + \frac{L^2}{NV_{YM}} + \dots$$

Strong coupling

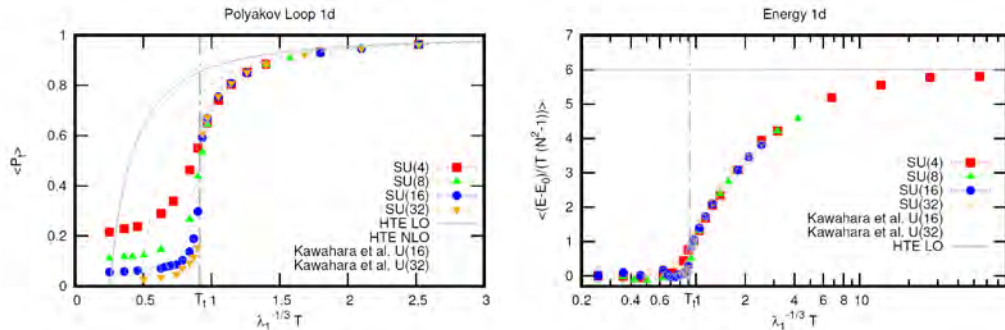


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$$(T_c/\lambda) = 1/(2 \log(2D - 1))$$

Weak coupling



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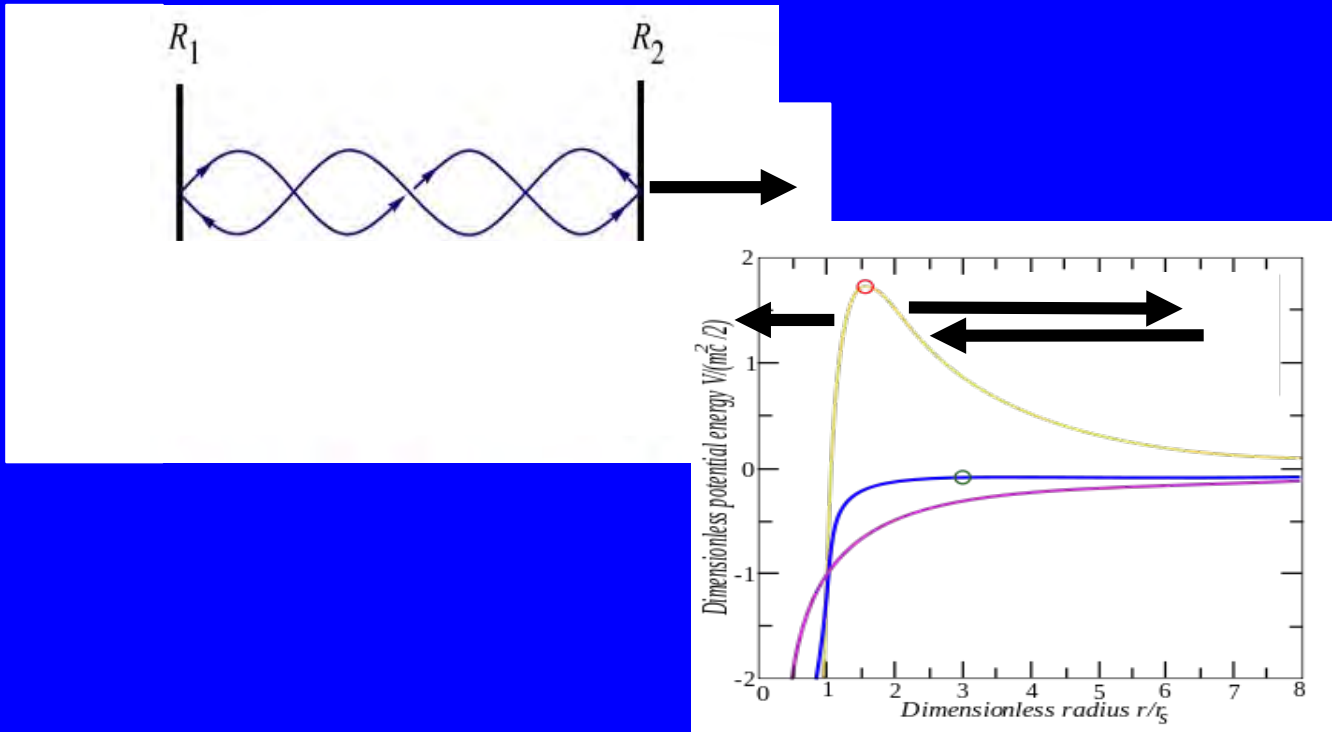
Hanada & Romatschke 1612.06395

Quantum hair out of equilibrium  
“supersized” Hawking radiation



# New “quantum hair”– Fluid modes

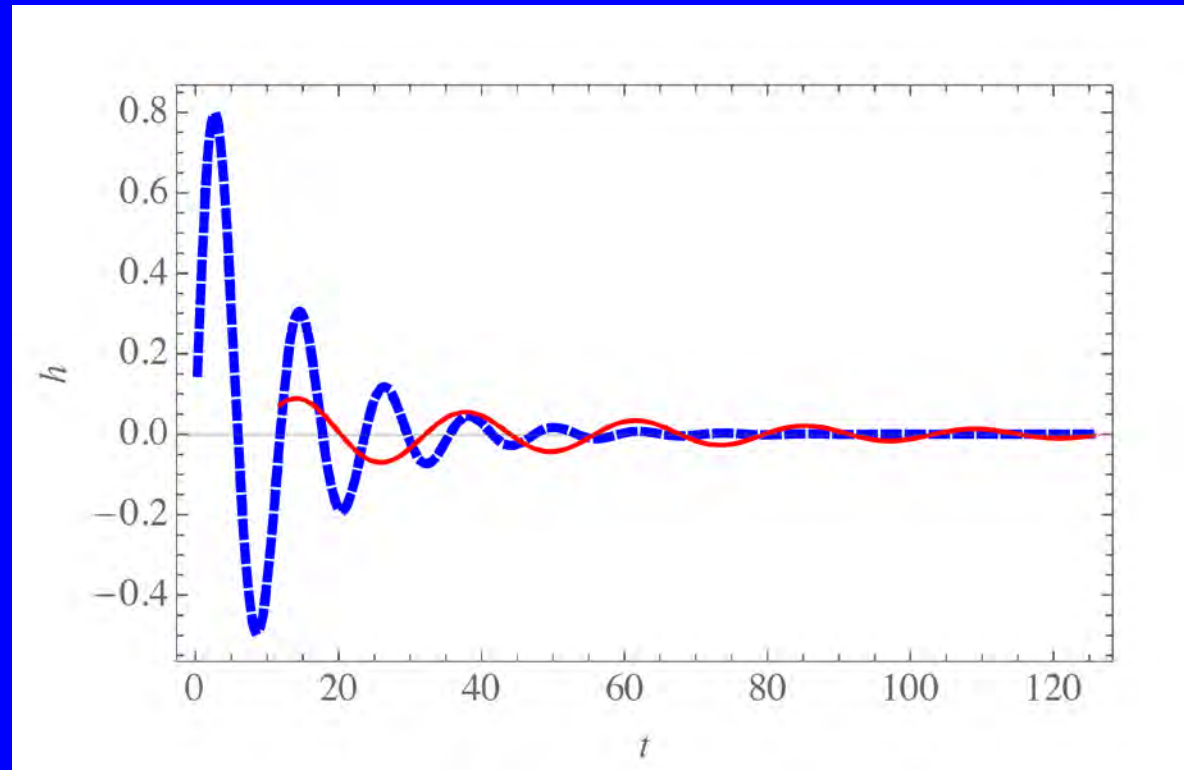
- The matter inside the BH supports QNM’s
- Classically, perfectly opaque horizon  $\rightarrow$  fluid modes decouple
- Quantum mechanically, “horizon transparency”  $\rightarrow$  emission



Intrinsic dissipation  
Only matter that saturates  
KSS-like bound can support  
waves!

# Standard QNM's – Fluid modes

- As for ultra-compact relativistic stars, the real part of the frequency is determined by the speed of sound  $v_{\text{sound}}$
- For any BH-like object, the spatial scale of the interior is  $R_S$
- $\rightarrow v_{\text{sound}} \leq c/R_S$
- $\omega_R \leq c/R_S$
- + a time delay



# Sound velocities in the “collapsed polymer”

$$n(\vec{r}) = c/v_{sound}(\vec{r})$$

$$\omega_m = \frac{m\pi}{2R_S n} - \frac{i}{2R_S n} \ln \left( \frac{n+1}{n-1} \right)$$

Relativistic modes suppressed !

Non-relativistic “fracture modes”

$$v_{sound}^2 = p/\rho$$

$$\Delta p = -\Delta(F/V)$$

$$-\left(\frac{F}{T_{Hag}}\right)_{strings} = \epsilon N - \frac{1}{2} \frac{g_s^2}{V} N^2$$

$$\epsilon = g_s^2 \frac{N}{V}$$

$$F \sim \epsilon N + g_s^2 \epsilon N + \dots$$

$$v_{sound}^2 = \Delta F / E = g_s^2$$

$$v_{sound}^2 = g_s^2 c^2$$

- New QNM's – Fluid modes

$$v_{sound}^2 = g_s^2 c^2$$

$$n(\vec{r}) = c/v_{sound}(\vec{r})$$

$$v_{sound}^2 = g_s^2 c^2$$

$$v_{sound} < 1$$

$$\omega_m = \frac{m\pi}{2R_S n} - i \left[ \frac{1}{R_S n^2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \right]$$

- Parametrically smaller frequencies
- Parametrically longer damping

$$\omega_R \sim v_{sound}/R_S \sim g_s c/R_S$$

$$\tau_{damp} \sim (1/g_s^2) (R_S/c)$$

- Intrinsic dissipation

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{\tau}} = (\ell - 1)(2\ell + 1) \int_0^{R_S} dr r^{2\ell} \eta \left( \int_0^{R_S} dr \rho r^{2\ell+2} \right)^{-1}$$

$$\rho = 1/(g_s^2 r^2) \quad \eta = s/(4\pi) = 1/(4\pi g_s^2 r)$$

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{\tau}} = (\ell - 1)(2\ell + 1) \int_0^{R_S} dr \frac{1}{4\pi} r^{2\ell-1} \left( \int_0^{R_S} dr r^{2\ell} \right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{(\ell - 1)(2\ell + 1)^2}{2\ell} \frac{c}{R_S}$$

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{\tau}} = \frac{25}{16\pi} \frac{c}{R_S}$$

See also Yunes, Yagi, Pretorius  
1603.08955

$$\bar{\eta}_{\text{eff}} \sim 4 \times 10^{28} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm} \cdot \text{s}} \left( \frac{m}{65M_\odot} \right) \left( \frac{370\text{km}}{R} \right) \left( \frac{4\text{ms}}{\tau_{\bar{\eta}}} \right)$$

$$\bar{\zeta}_{\text{eff}} \sim 3 \times 10^{30} \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm} \cdot \text{s}} \left( \frac{m}{65M_\odot} \right) \left( \frac{370\text{km}}{R} \right) \left( \frac{4\text{ms}}{\tau_{\bar{\zeta}}} \right)$$

$$\bar{\eta} = \frac{1}{(\ell - 1)(2\ell + 1)} \frac{\rho R^2}{\tau_{\bar{\eta}}}$$

$$\bar{\zeta} = \left( \frac{5}{3} \right)^4 \frac{2(2\ell + 3)}{\ell^3} \frac{\rho R^2}{\tau_{\bar{\zeta}}}$$

QNM's can survive \*only\*  
if KSS bound saturated !

$$\frac{1}{\tilde{\tau}} = \frac{25}{16\pi} \frac{v_{\text{sound}}^2}{c^2} \frac{c}{R_S}$$

$$\tilde{\tau} = 2 \frac{1}{g_s^2} \frac{R_S}{c} \simeq 2\tau_{\text{damp}}$$

$$\tau_{\text{damp}} \sim (1/g_s^2) (R_S/c)$$

# Estimate of gravitational-wave emission

Strength of the coupling of the fluid modes to the emitted GWs estimated using the quadrupole formula

$$h \sim \frac{M}{r} \frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2}$$

Two perspectives on the strength of the quadrupole lead to the same estimate

Interior

$$\frac{E_{frac}}{E_{st}} \sim g_s^2$$

$$\omega_{frac}^2 / \omega_{st}^2 \simeq g_s^2$$

Exterior

$$E_{frac} \sim E_{st} T_{hor} \sim E_{st} g_s^2$$

$$\frac{h_{frac}}{h_{st}} \simeq \frac{E_{frac}}{E_{st}} \frac{\omega_{frac}^2}{\omega_{st}^2} \simeq (g_s^2)^2$$

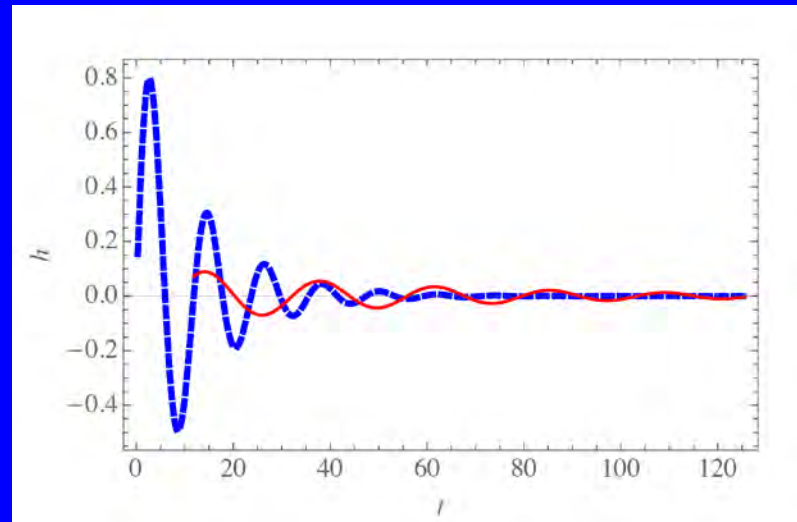
# Summary of results:

$$A_p \sim g_s^4 A_{\text{BH}} , \quad f_p \sim g_s f_{\text{BH}} , \quad \tau_p \sim \tau_{\text{BH}} / g_s^2$$

Reasonable estimate

Very reliable

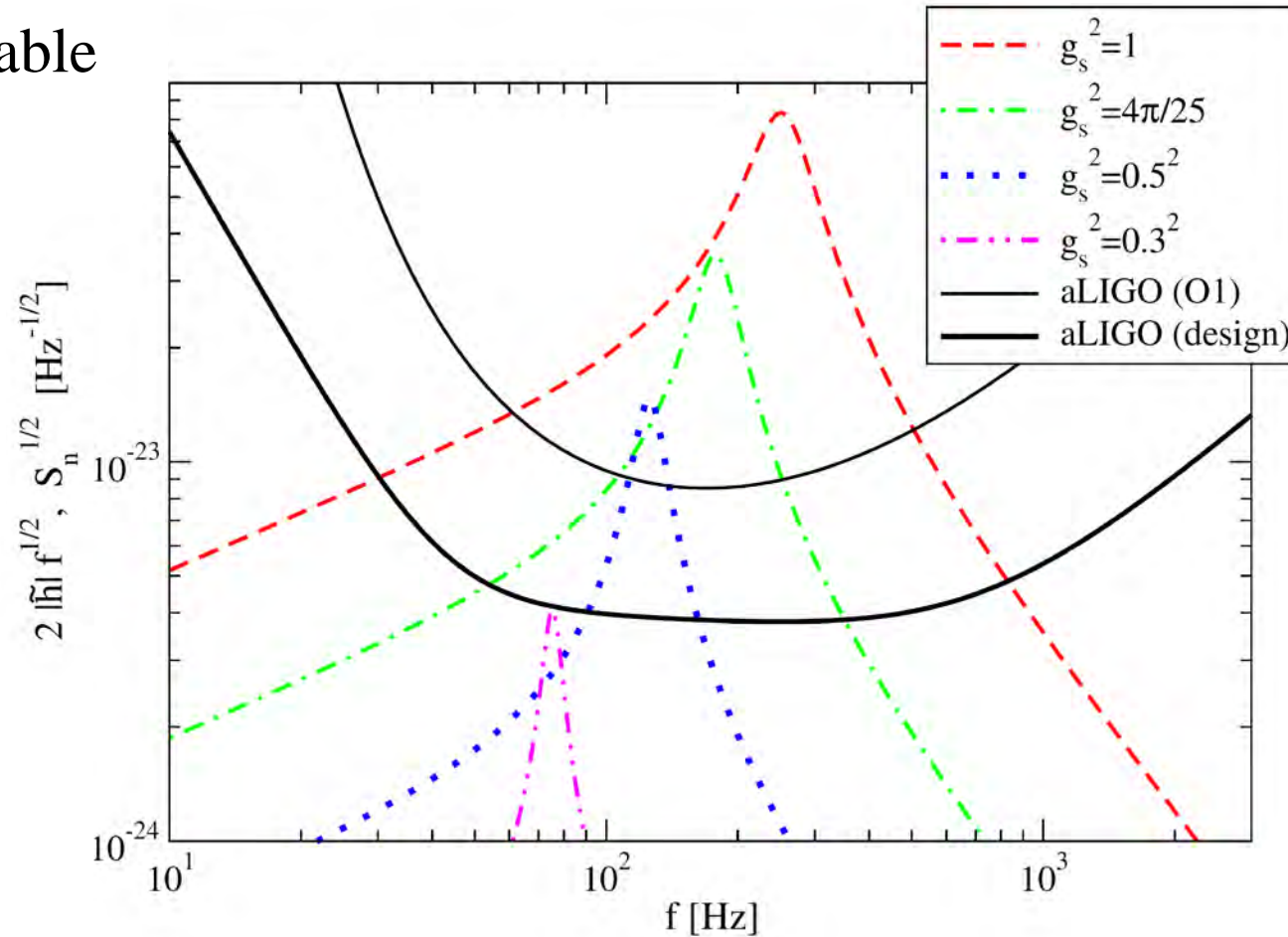
Reliable



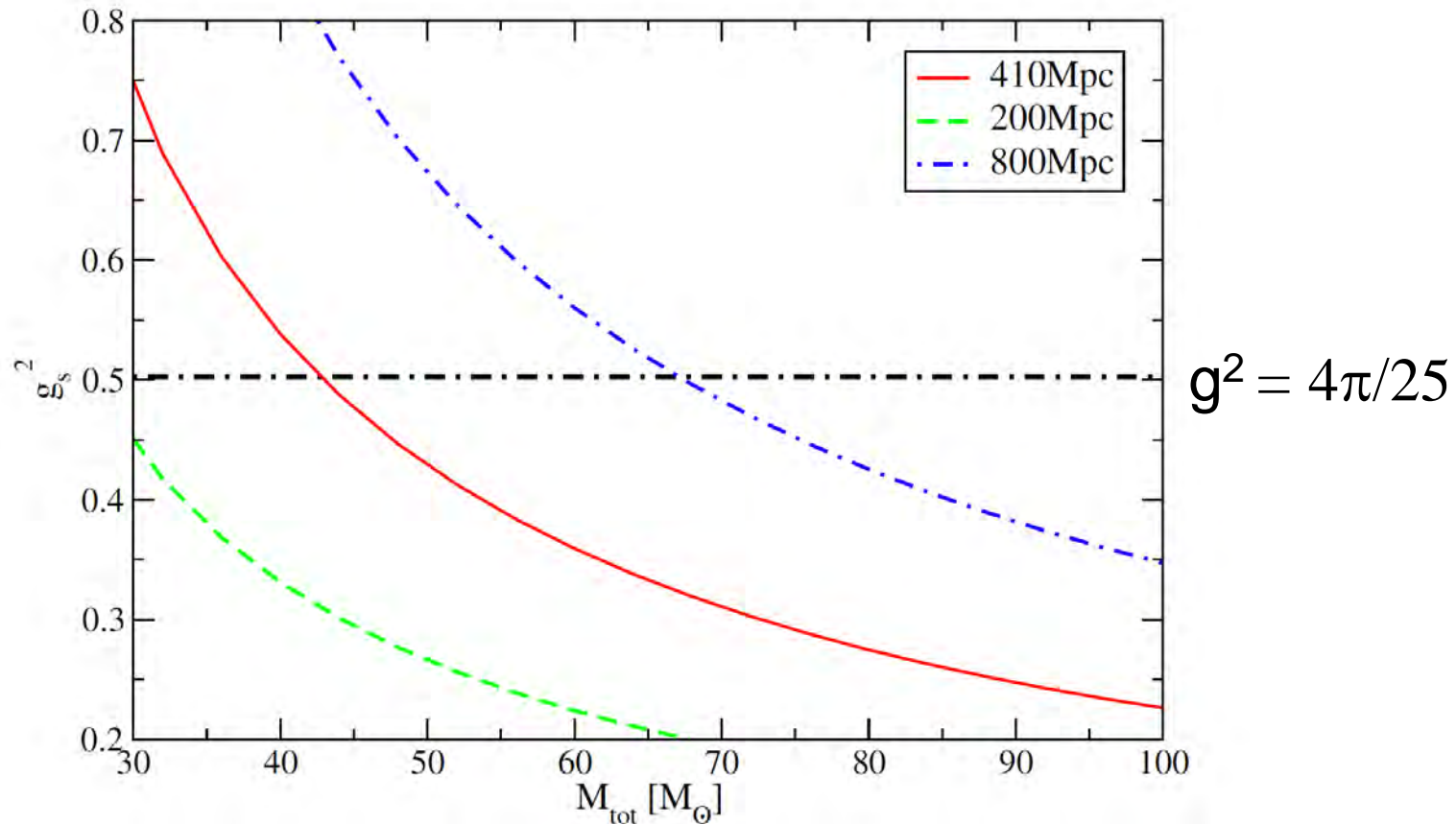
# Bounds from GW observations for GW150914

Ratio signal/noise  $\sim$  SNR.  
The spectrum is detectable  
if  $\text{SNR} > 5$ .

For  $g_s^2 = 1$ , amplitude,  
frequency and damping time  
for the polymer modes are  
the same as those of a  
classical BH.







Projected upper bound on  $g^2$  as a function of the total mass of an equal-mass BH binary at various distances using aLIGO's design sensitivity.

The upper bound on  $g^2$  scales with  $r^{2/3}$ .

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