

BLACK HOLES AND NILMANIFOLDS: QUASINORMAL MODES AS THE FINGERPRINTS OF EXTRA DIMENSIONS?

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Einstein's grav. constant: $\kappa = 8\pi Gc^{-4}$

determinant: $g = \det(g_{\mu\nu})$

Ricci scalar: $R = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}$

cosmological constant: $\Lambda = 3/L^2$

Lagrangian for the matter fields: \mathcal{L}_m



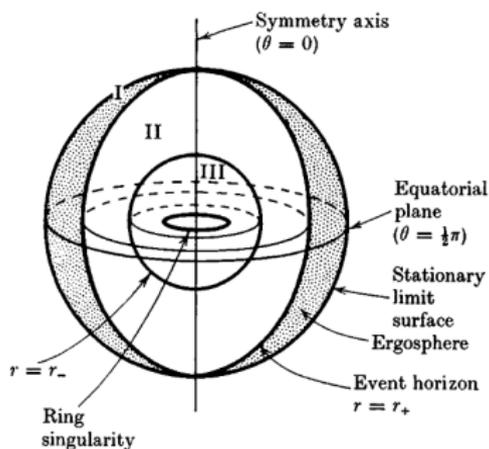
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$$\Downarrow \delta S = 0$$

Einstein field equations for *flat space*, in *vacuum*:

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R + \cancel{\Lambda g_{\mu\nu}} = \cancel{\kappa T_{\mu\nu}}$$



Hawking & Ellis, *The Large Scale Structure of Space-time*

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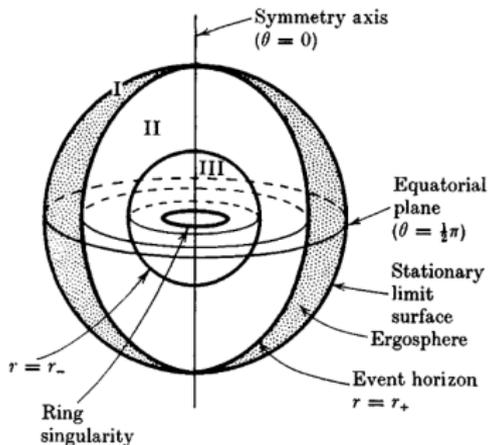
All stationary black hole solutions in GR can be completely characterised by three independent, externally observable, and classical parameters:

- ★ *mass M ,*
- ★ *electric charge Q ,*
- ★ *angular momentum a .*



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event horizon:	$r_H = 2M$
photon orbit:	$r_c = 3M$
length scale:	$M = Gm^{BH}c^{-2} = 1$
	<i>Bekenstein</i>

($G = c = 1$)

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The birth of black hole perturbation theory:

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Stability of a Schwarzschild Singularity

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AND

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(Received July 15, 1957)

It is shown that a Schwarzschild singularity, spherically symmetrical and endowed with mass, will undergo small vibrations about the spherical form and will therefore remain stable if subjected to a small nonspherical perturbation.

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Quasinormal mode and frequency

$$\Psi(x^\mu) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell, m} \frac{\psi_{s\ell n}(r)}{r} e^{-i\omega t} Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi), \quad \omega_{s\ell n} = \omega_R - i\omega_I$$

- ★ $\text{Re}\{\omega\}$ = physical oscillation frequency
- ★ $\text{Im}\{\omega\}$ = damping \rightarrow dissipative, "quasi"



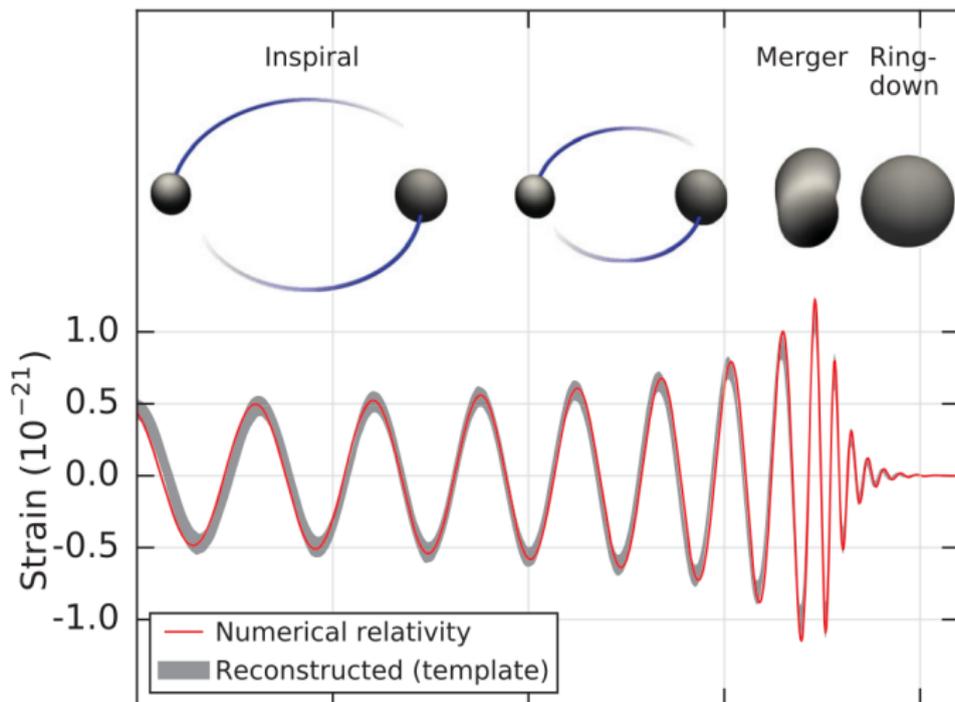
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- ★ s : spin of perturbing field
- ★ m : azimuthal number for spherical harmonic decomposition in θ_i
- ★ ℓ : angular/multipolar number for spherical harmonic decomposition in θ, ϕ
- ★ n : overtone number labels QNMs by a monotonically increasing $|\text{Im}\{\omega\}|$



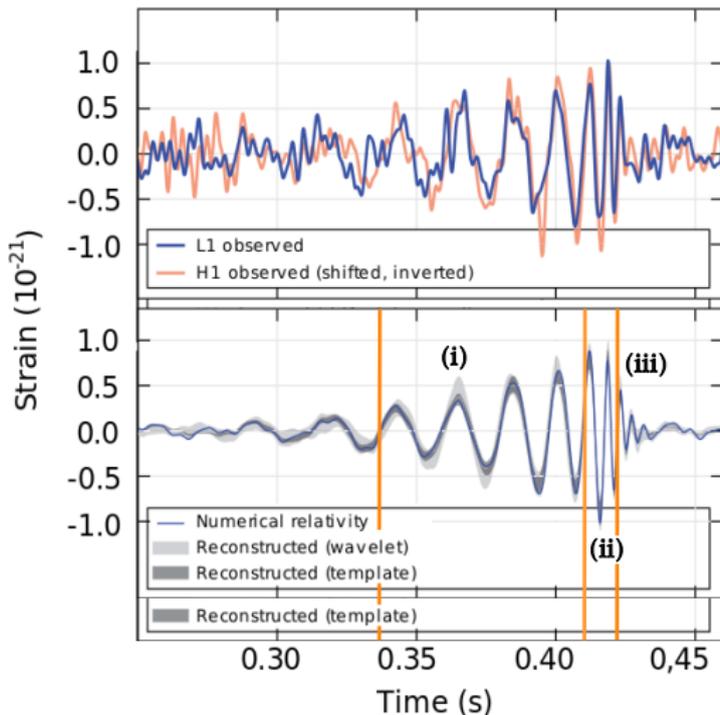
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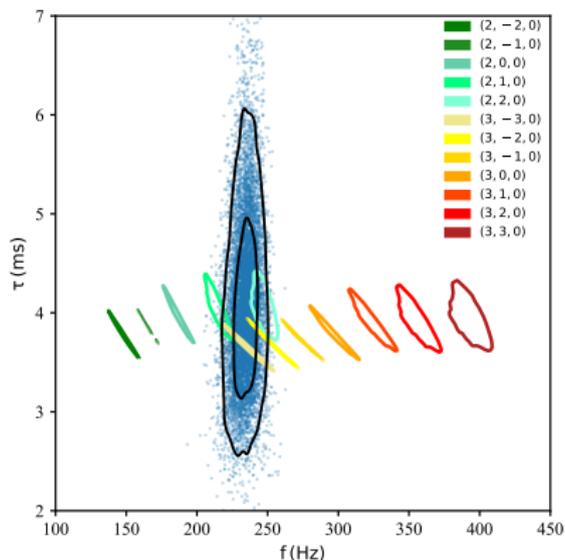


- (i) inspiral
- (ii) merger
- (iii) ringdown

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the *fundamental* $(\ell, m, n) = (2, 2, 0)$ mode dominates ringdown



a multimodal analysis of the GW150914 data using PYRING,
see [Carullo et al.](#)



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★ *Angular behaviour encapsulated by spheroidal harmonics:*

$$\nabla^2 Y_{m\ell}^s(\theta, \phi) = -\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} Y_{m\ell}^s(\theta, \phi)$$

★ *s.t. QNM computations depend on radial behaviour*



Black hole wave equation:

$$\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} \varphi(r_*) + [\omega^2 - V(r)] \varphi(r_*) = 0, \quad \frac{dr}{dr_*} = f(r)$$

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→ subjected to **QNM boundary conditions**

purely ingoing: $\varphi(r_*) \sim e^{-i\omega(t+r_*)}$ $r_* \rightarrow -\infty$ ($r \rightarrow r_H$)

purely outgoing: $\varphi(r_*) \sim e^{-i\omega(t-r_*)}$ $r_* \rightarrow +\infty$ ($r \rightarrow +\infty$)

Waves escape domain of study at the boundaries \Rightarrow dissipative



What is the significance of these extra dimensions?

Today: *A path to physics BSM?*

- 1980s: “KK renaissance”, 1984 “superstring revolution”
- 1998: Arkani-Hamed, Dimopoulos, Dvali: large EDs
- 1999: Randall and Sundrum: warped EDs

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Negatively-curved EDs: a BSM landscape of untapped potential?

Phenomenological implications:

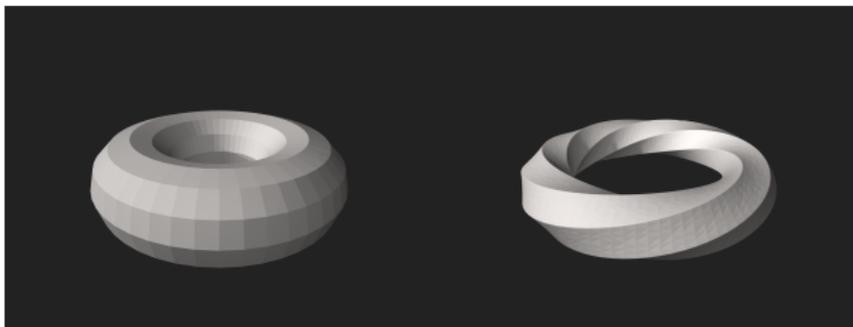
- natural resolution to the hierarchy problem
 - volume grows exponentially with ℓ_G/ℓ_c
 - RSI-like KK mass spectrum w/o light KK modes
- zero modes of Dirac operator emerges w/o gauge breaking
- enables homogeneity and flatness of observed universe



Any Lie group G of dimension d can be understood as a d -dimensional differentiable manifold. To compactify solvable G , we quotient by the lattice Γ .

For nilpotent groups, the resultant twisted torus is a nilmanifold.

$$[Z_b, Z_c] = f^a{}_{bc} Z_a, \quad f^a{}_{bc} = -f^a{}_{cb}$$
$$\mathcal{R} = -\frac{1}{4} \delta_{ad} \delta^{be} \delta^{cg} f^a{}_{bc} f^d{}_{eg}$$



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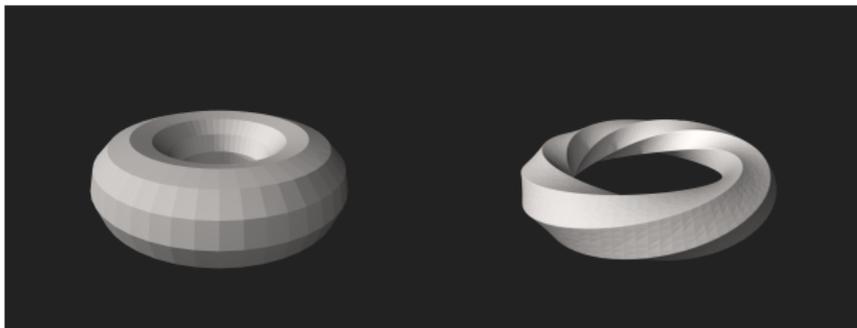
Consider the Heisenberg algebra...

$$[Z_1, Z_2] = -fZ_3, \quad [Z_1, Z_3] = [Z_2, Z_3] = 0$$

$$de^3 = fe^1 \wedge e^2, \quad de^1 = 0, \quad de^2 = 0$$

$$e^1 = r^1 dy^1, \quad e^2 = r^2 dy^2, \quad e^3 = r^3(dy^3 + Nr^1 dy^2), \quad N = \frac{r^1 r^2}{r^3} f$$

...gives us the metric $ds_{\mathcal{N}}^2 = g_{ij}^{\mathcal{N}} dx^i dx^j$



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How can we exploit available GW searches to investigate extra-dimensional scenarios?



The BH-nilmanifold metric

$$ds_{7D}^2 = g_{\mu\nu}^{BH}(\mathbf{x})dx^\mu dx^\nu + g_{ij}^{\mathcal{N}_3}(\mathbf{y})dy^i dy^j$$

$$\Psi_{nlm}^s(t, r, \theta, \phi, y_1, y_2, y_3) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\ell, m} \frac{\psi_{sn\ell}(r)}{e^{i\omega t r}} Y_{m\ell}^s(\theta, \phi) Z(y_1, y_2, y_3)$$

$$ds_{BH}^2 = -f(r)dt^2 + f(r)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2(\sin^2 d\theta^2 + d\phi^2)$$

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Laplacian of a product space is the sum of its parts

$$\left(\nabla_{BH}^2 + \nabla_{\mathcal{N}_3}^2 \right) \sum \Phi(\mathbf{x}) Z_k(\mathbf{y}) = 0 ,$$

$$\nabla_{\mathcal{N}_3}^2 Z_k(\mathbf{y}) = -\mu_k^2 Z_k(\mathbf{y})$$

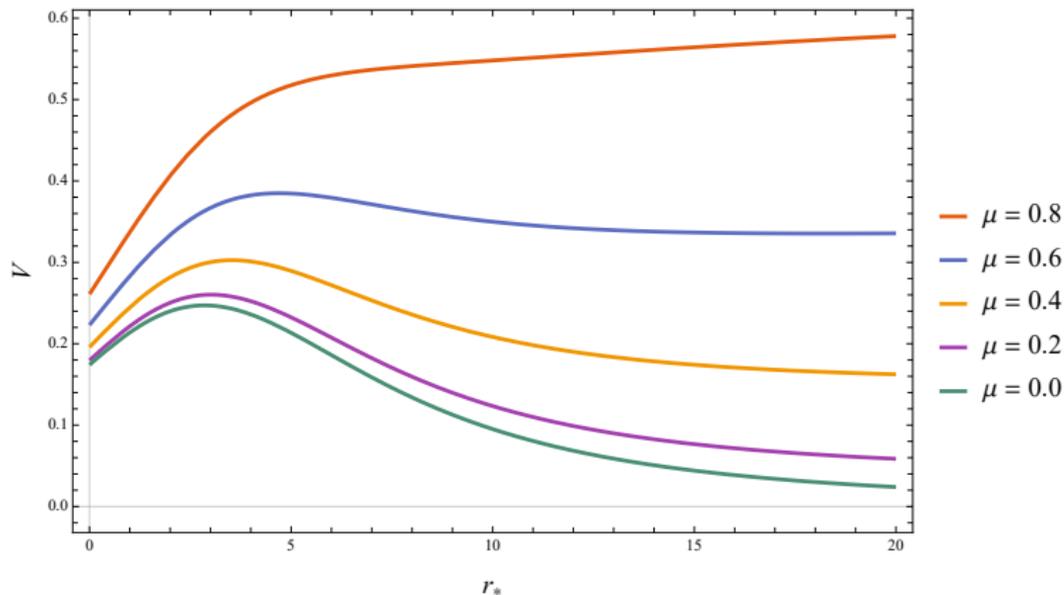


The wavelike equation

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dr_*^2} + \left(\omega^2 - V(r)\right)\psi = 0$$
$$V(r) = \left(1 - \frac{2M}{r}\right) \left(\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + \frac{2M}{r^3} + \mu^2\right)$$



The fundamental mode: $n = 0, \ell = 2$





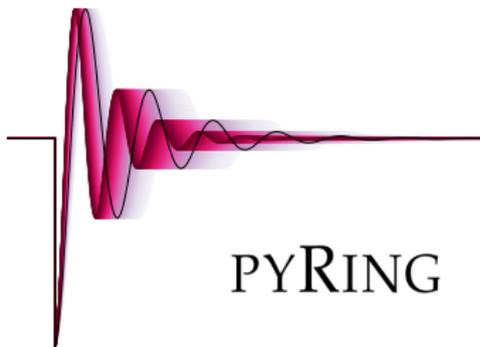
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$$\delta\omega = \omega^{GR}(1 + \delta\omega)$$

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a python package for ringdown analysis



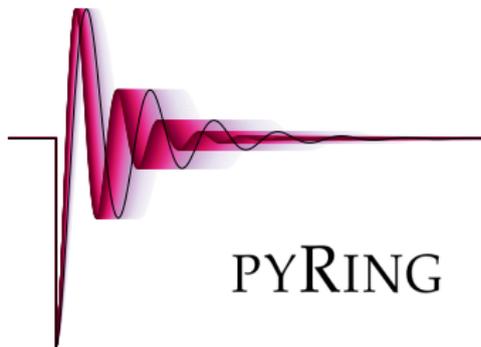
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$$\delta\omega_{03} = 0.02^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$$

$$\delta\tau_{03} = 0.13^{+0.21}_{-0.22}$$



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- ★ Here, we have determined a QNM detectability bound on extra dimensions
 - ↪ roadmap for new model-agnostic extra dimensions search

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