

Learning high-fidelity GW models from numerical relativity data

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Overview

Part I (25 minutes): Overview, usage, models

Part II (20 minutes): (tutorial) Methods for building a 1-dimensional model

Part III (25 minutes): (tutorial) Building a 1-dimensional model

Part IV (45 minutes): (tutorial) gwsurrogate, SurfinBH, and binaryBHexp (Vijay Varma)

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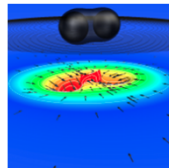
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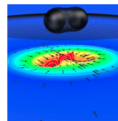
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-	Peter Diener	Louisiana State U	The Effective Source Approach to the Self-force Problem (PDF)
09:30			
-	Scott Field	Brown U	A Discontinuous Galerkin Method for BSSN-Type Systems (PDF)
10:00			
-	Manuel Tiglio	U of Maryland	Reduced Basis in General Relativity: Select, Solve, Represent, Predict (PDF)
10:30			

Collaborators

Surrogate modeling methods have been developed and refined by many people over since 2011...

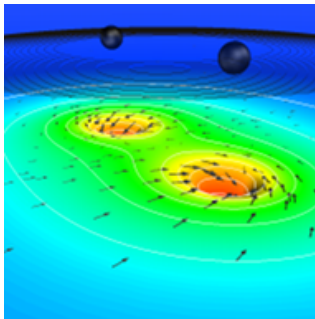
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[blue](#) = significant contributors to gwsurrogate code

...and *many* simulations



SIMULATING EXTREME SPACETIMES



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Strategy for parameterized waveform models

- Train an accurate and fast-to-evaluate surrogate model
- The model is built entirely from simulation data
- Only possible given the recent progress made in numerical relativity
- **NOT** reduced physics
 - Surrogate converges to underlying model (NR) with more waveform data
 - Trade-off: model only valid in its training (temporal/parametric) interval

Other approaches to speedup

Computational bottlenecks due to waveform generation costs are ubiquitous. Alternative solutions include...

- Closed-form & phenomenological models (Phenom{A,B,C,D,P,Pv2}, effective-one-body)
- Algorithmic and hardware optimization of pipelines (e.g. GstLAL, PyCBC)
- Extensive, model-specific optimizations (e.g. Devine, Etienne, McWilliams)
- GPU acceleration (see tutorial by Michael Katz)
- NR-based parameter estimation (see talk by Richard O'Shaughnessy)
- And more!

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Features

- Surrogate will converge to underlying model with more training data
- Only reproduces outputs of interest (waveforms, remnant values, etc)
- Should be viewed as a waveform acceleration technique

Decisions

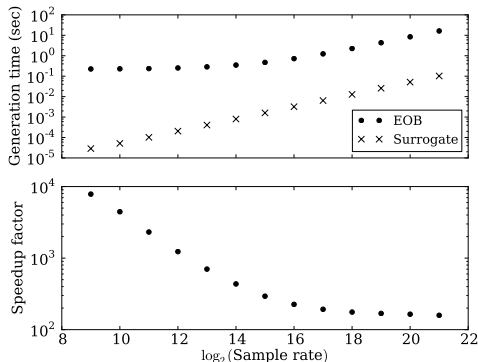
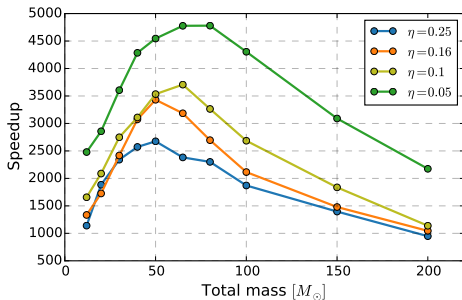
- At which parameters should one evaluate the underlying model?
- How to tie together these samples?
- Often times different methods (e.g. SVD vs greedy; fits vs GPR) will result in similar surrogate model quality – choices may just be a matter of familiarity or convenience.

Examples

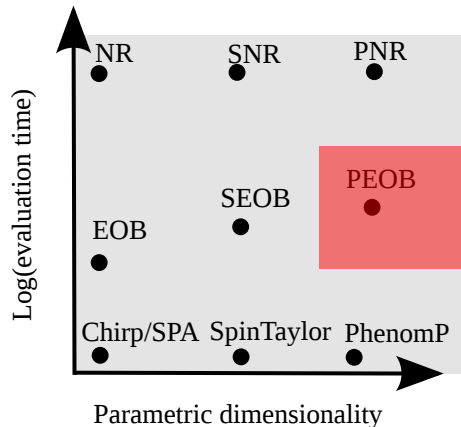
- Machine learning, [fits/interpolation](#), [reduced order modeling](#)
- At least for this talk, ROM = surrogate

Why do we need surrogate models?

- They are nearly indistinguishable from the underlying model
- EOB surrogate models enable speed up factors of between $10^2 - 10^3$
- NR surrogates speedups $\approx 10^7$ (0.01 seconds vs ≈ 1 week)
- Due to these speedups, surrogates enable new kinds of studies to be carried out
 - Typical Bayesian inference run requires $> 10^6$ model evaluations



Surrogate models (without matter)



- Closed-form waveform models

- Cannon et al. (2010, 2012, 2013), Field et al. (2011, 2012), Kaye (2012), Smith et al. (2013, 2016), Doctor et al. (2017), Chua et al. (2018)

- (Multi-mode) Effective one body (EOB)

- Field et al., (2014), Purrer (2014, 2016), Lackey et al. (2019), Cotesta et al. (2020)

- Multi-mode numerical relativity

- Blackman et al., 2015 (non-spinning),
- Blackman et al., 2017 (5d subspace),
- Blackman et al., 2017 (full 7d, $q \leq 2$)
- Varma et al., 2019 (enlarged 7d, $q \leq 4$)
- Varma et al., 2019 (Hybridized, aligned spin)

Tidal models and $q \leq 10^4$ have also been built

Surrogates in LIGO-Virgo data analysis

- Accelerate waveform generation by factors of 10^2 (EOB models build by Purrer and Cotesta; described by ODEs) to 10^8 (NR models; described by PDEs)
- EOB ROMs are extensively used as part of the LSC's parameter-estimation efforts as well as template-bank detection
- NR surrogates have been used in for specific BBH events
- **Surrogate models have been essential to the widespread use of both EOB and NR waveforms for realistic data analysis efforts with LSC data**

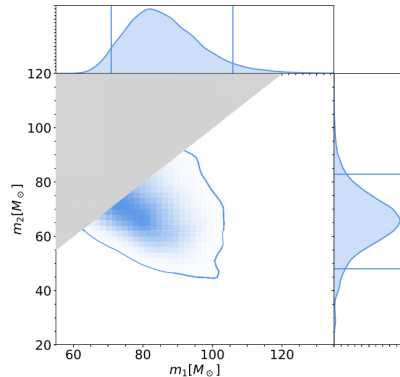
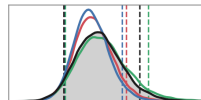
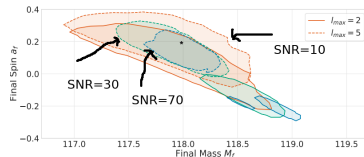


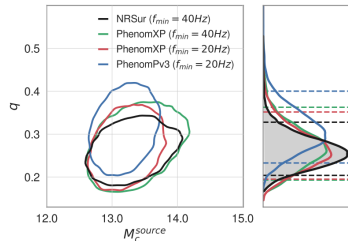
FIG. 2. Posterior distributions for the progenitor masses of GW190521 according to the NRSur7dq4 waveform model. The 90% credible regions are indicated by the solid contour in the joint distribution and by solid vertical and horizontal lines in the marginalized distributions.

Who's using surrogates? (partial list)

- Studies of gravitational wave memory (Lasky et al; PRL 2020)
- Training neural networks (Wei et al; Physics Letters B 2020)
- Validating searches for primordial BHs (Nitz et al; arXiv:2007.03583)
- Measuring kicks (Varma et al; PRL 2020)
- Building/assessing other models (Garca-Quirs et al; PRD 2020)
- Studying systematics of subdominant modes (Shaik et al; PRD 2020)
- Analyzing GW190412 (Islam et al; arXiv:2010.04848)



GW190412 analysis
with surrogate vs
Phenom models



Surrogates are great! What models can I use?

See Vijay Varma's tutorial next for a full introduction to models for the waveform, dynamics, and remnant properties

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- Not everyone can or should need to install LALSimulation to use surrogates
- Its unlikely that for each new surrogate there will be LALSimulation counterpart
- Having multiple codes to evaluate the same model is good for the community
- GWSurrogate API allows access of modes, basis functions, fits, and other surrogate data
- More than just waveforms! Dynamics, remnant properties (SurfinBH), etc...

GWSurrogate catalog

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Query the catalog:

```
>>> import gwsurrogate as gws
>>> gws.catalog.list(verbose=True)
NRSur7dq4
url: https://zenodo.org/record/3348115/files/NRSur7dq4.h5
md5 hash: 8e033ba4e4da1534b3738ae51549fb98
Description: Surrogate model for precessing binary black holes with mass ratios  $q \leq 4$ 
and spin magnitudes  $\leq 0.8$ . This model is presented in Varma et al. 2019,
arxiv:1905.09300. All  $\ell \leq 4$  modes are included. The spin and frame dynamics
are also modeled.
References: https://journals.aps.org/prresearch/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevResearch.1.033015
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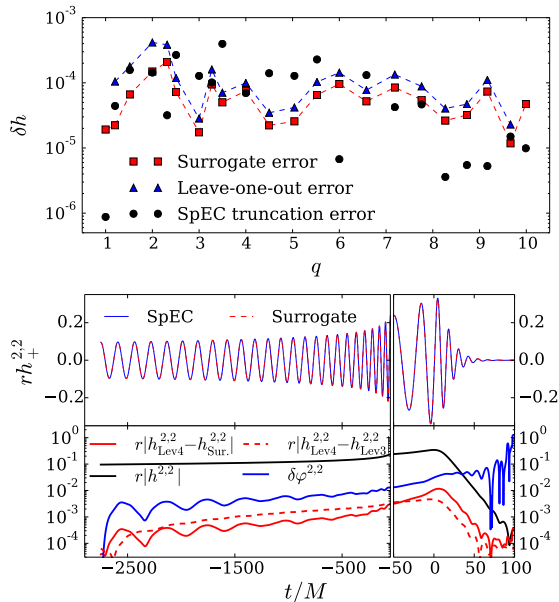
10 surrogate models are available. Each has a name, dataset url, description, and reference.

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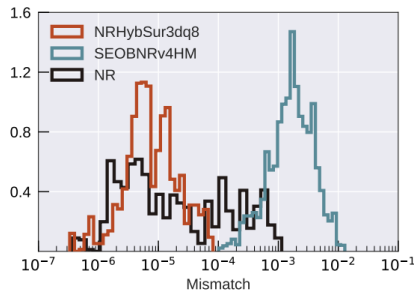
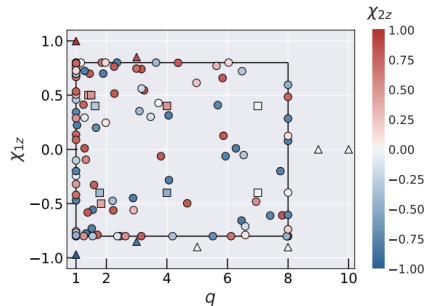
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EOBNRv2
SpEC_q1_10_NoSpin
SpEC_q1_10_NoSpin_linear
SpEC_q1_10_NoSpin_linear_alt
NRSur4d2s_TDR0M_grid12
NRSur4d2s_FDR0M_grid12
NRHybSur3dq8
NRSur7dq4
NRHybSur3dq8Tidal
EMRISur1dq1e4
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Lets look at some current and planned models...

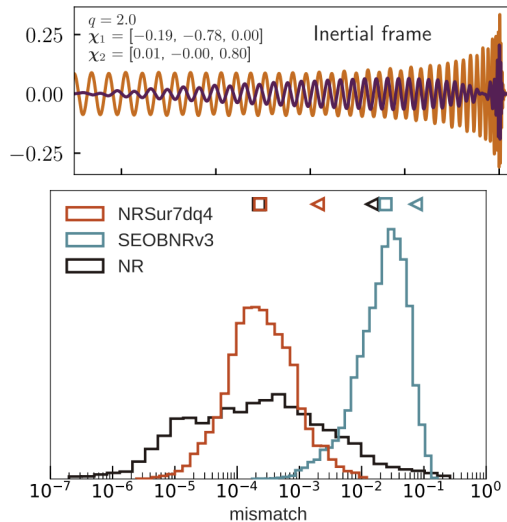
- Name: SpEC_q1_10_NoSpin
- Nonspinning, $1 \leq q \leq 10$, $\ell \leq 8$, 22 NR training waveforms
- **Top:** Waveform differences between the two highest SpEC resolutions (black circles), the full surrogate and SpEC (red squares), and leave-one-out trial surrogates and SpEC (blue triangles).
- **Bottom:** The (2,2) mode is shown for the largest surrogate error $q \approx 2$
- **Not in LALSimulation** (LVC code)



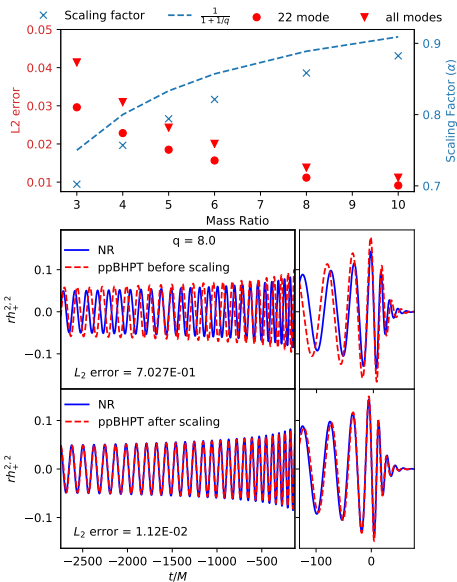
- Name: NRHybSur3dq8{Tidal}
- Hybridized spin-aligned model, $1 \leq q \leq 8$, $\ell \leq 4 + (5, 5)$, spins < 0.8
- **Top**: 104 NR training waveforms sampling 3d space
- **Bottom**: Histogram of errors (last 4000M) for NR, NRHybSur3dq8, and SEOBNRv4HM
- Surrogate errors are cross-validation
- NRHybSur3dq8(-Tidal) is (is not) in LALSimulation
- GWSurrogate version of NRHybSur3dq8 has passed LVC code review



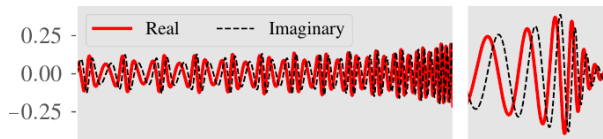
- Name: NRSur7dq4
- Generically precessing model, $1 \leq q \leq 4$, $\ell \leq 4$, spins < 0.8
- 1528 NR training waveforms sampling 7d space
- **Top:** (2,2) and (2,1) modes in inertial frame
- **Bottom:** Histogram of cross-validation errors
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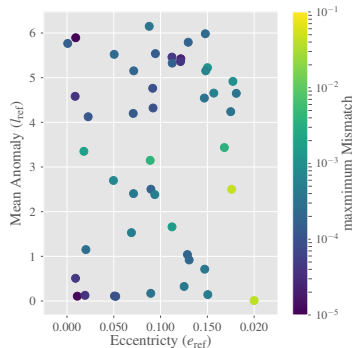
- Name: EMRISur1dq1e4
- Perturbation theory model, nonspinning, $3 \leq q \leq 10^4$, $\ell \leq 5$
- Adiabatic inspiral driven by GW radiation, a latestage geodesic plunge, Ori-Thorne transition trajectory between the two
- Training data generated with Gaurav Khanna's Teukolsky solver
- Le Tiec et al. (2011), Zimmerman et al. (2016), and others found certain NR and perturbation theory results agree surprisingly well at modest mass ratios.
- Waveforms seem to match too!
- EMRISur1dq1e4 is also in the BHPTK



Eccentric model (Coming soon!)



- Name: TBD
- Eccentric NR, nonspinning, $q \approx 1$, eccentricity non-zero at merger
- Tousif Islam, Vijay Varma, SF +
- **Top:** (2,2) mode in inertial frame
- **Bottom:** Cross-validation mismatch errors over parameter space



Remarks

- Surrogate and reduced order modeling offers an exciting new approach to overcome a variety of computationally challenging problems of GW physics
- Publicly available surrogate evaluation package GWSurrogate
 - Numerous Jupyter tutorial notebooks
 - Active development (version 1.0.7 released on Saturday)
 - Code hosted on github
 - Long-term plans: better documentation, more models, open/solve issues

Future outlook

- Extending the range of validity of NR & IMRI/EMRI surrogates
- As new models are built they will be included into the surrogate catalog
- Contributions are welcomed! If you've built a surrogate model, we can happily add it to the catalog

Surrogates are great! But none have been built for my favorite model. What should I do?

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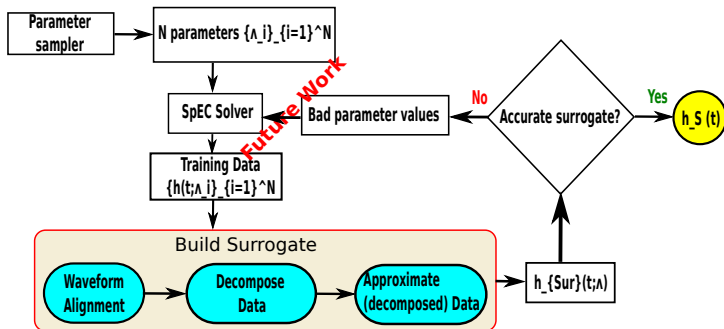
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Lets build a 1D model

Tutorial location: https://github.com/vijayvarma392/ICERM_workshop



“top-level” view of surrogate model building.

The setup

Choose your favorite 1-dimensional gravitational-wave model:

$$\begin{aligned} h(t, \theta, \phi; q) &= h_+(t, \theta, \phi; q) - i h_\times(t, \theta, \phi; q) \\ &= \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} h^{\ell m}(t; q) {}_{-2}Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) , \end{aligned}$$

- θ and ϕ are angles for the direction of propagation away from the source.
- q is the mass ratio.
- ${}_{-2}Y_{\ell m}$ are the harmonic functions

We will build a model for $h^{\ell m}(t; q)$

Strategy for parameterized problems

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- *Training set*: Evaluate the model at N values of q , giving us a N

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Train the model

Train a surrogate model $h_s^{\ell m}(t; q)$ such that $h^{\ell m}(t; q) \approx h_s^{\ell m}(t; q)$ *within the training region*

This is a very general “learning from data” paradigm used in many fields of science and engineering

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Drawback II: We are only guaranteed the surrogate is accurate in the training region

Typical usage: Build the model for as large of a region as one expects to need

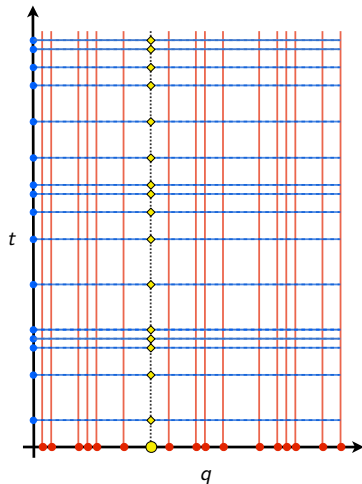
Methods for 1D (this session)

We will consider “traditional” methods. These are well-suited for 1D, 3D, and beyond. Some places they appeared include...

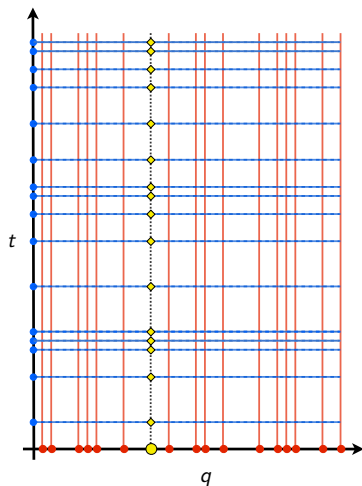
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- Spinning EOB: Purrer, (CQG 2014, PRD 2016)
- NR Surrogates: Blackman et al
- BNS models: Lackey et al (PRD 2017)
- Reduced-order quadratures: Smith+ (PRD 2016), Canizares+ (PRL 2015), Antil+ (JSC 2013)

Reduced order (surrogate) model schematic

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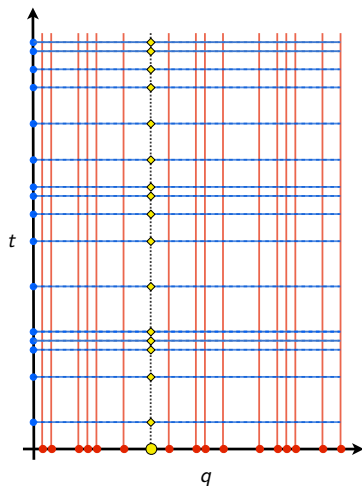


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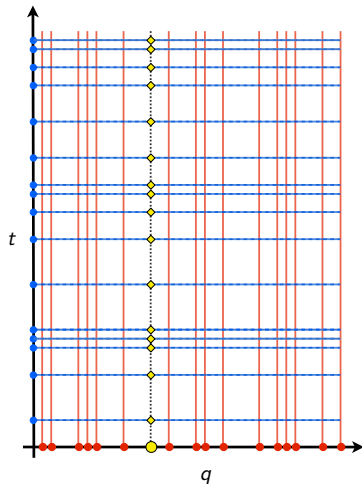
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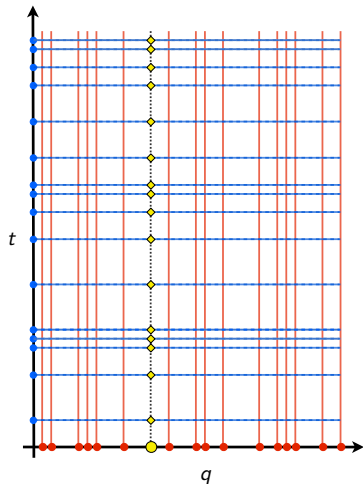
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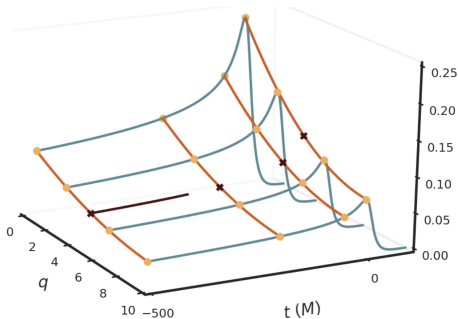


Fig: Vijay Varma

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Step 1: basis generation

- Seek a representation of the gravitational wave model

$$h_{\mu}(t) \approx \sum_{i=1}^m c_i(\mu) \mathbf{e}_i(t) \quad \text{or} \quad h_{\mu}(f) \approx \sum_{i=1}^m c_i(\mu) \mathbf{e}_i(f)$$

for m as small as possible and $\mu = (\text{mass}, \text{spin}, \dots)$ labels the parameterization

- Sometimes referred to as a *reduced order model* (model is *reduced* to m degrees of freedom)

Whats special about \mathbf{e}_i ???

- Application-specific basis
- Fewer basis \rightarrow faster computations

Some methods: Greedy-RB and singular value decomposition algorithms (details later).

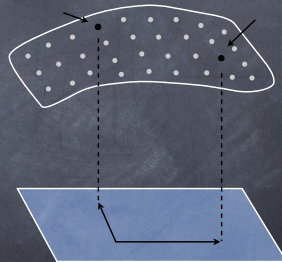
Practical implementation: Greedy method

- Can instead generate a catalog that nearly satisfies the N-width

Space of waveforms



"Training space"



1) Choose any parameter,

2) Greedy sweep - Find the parameter that maximizes:

3) Gram-Schmidt to get basis vector e_2

Example

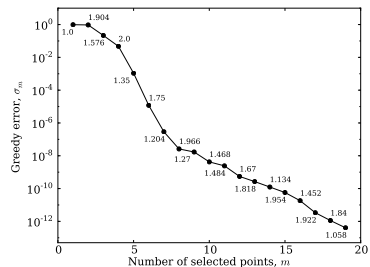
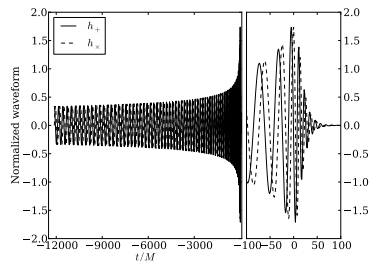
Effective one body (Pan et al., 2011)

- (2,2) mode for $q \in [1, 2]$,
duration $\approx 12,000M$
- Fast decay of approximation (overlap) error

$$\max_q \|h_q - \sum_{i=1}^m c_i(q) e_i\|^2$$

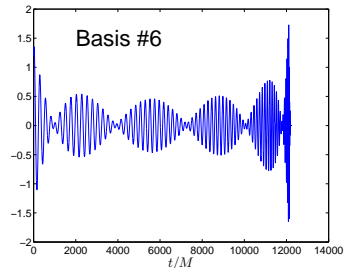
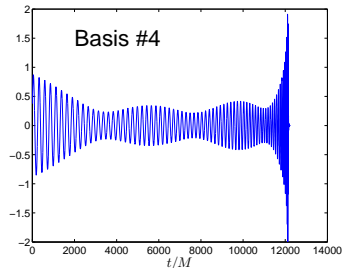
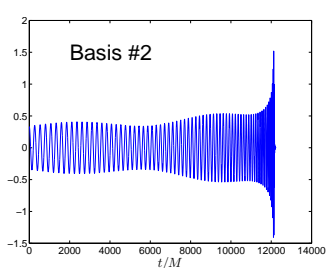
Other evidence

- Observed across models, regimes
- Observed by groups using POD/SVD
 - Cannon et al (PRD 044025)
 - M. Püerrer (arXiv:1402.4146)

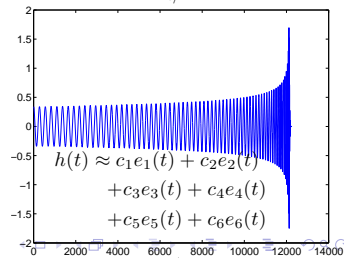
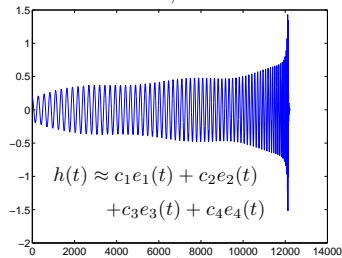
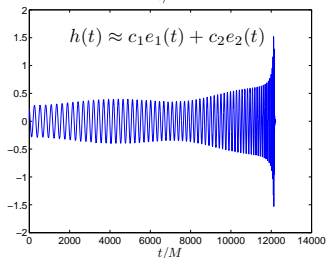


Waveform compression application (ex: $q \sim 1.2040$)

Ortho.
Basis



Approx:



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Continuum:

$$H(\mu - x)$$

$$x \in [-1, 1]$$

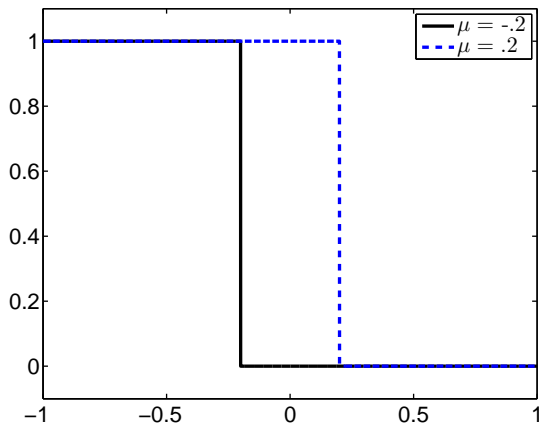
$$\mu \in [-.2, .2]$$

Training set:

$$\{H(\mu_i - x)\}$$

$$\mu_i = -.2 + \frac{.4}{4000}i$$

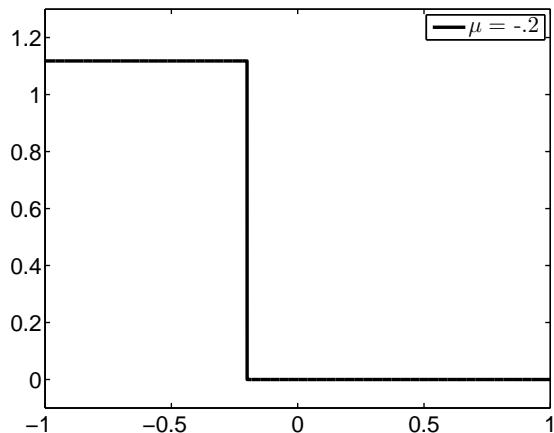
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Two representative Heavisides

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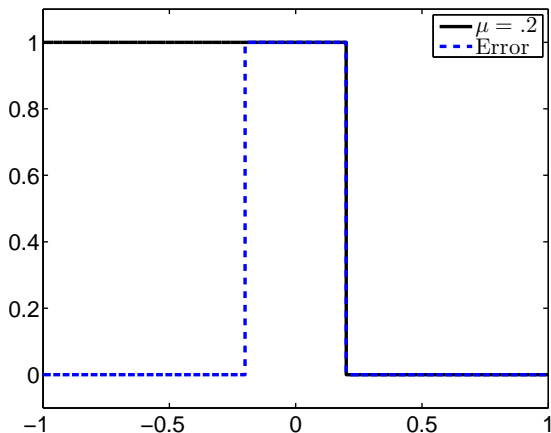
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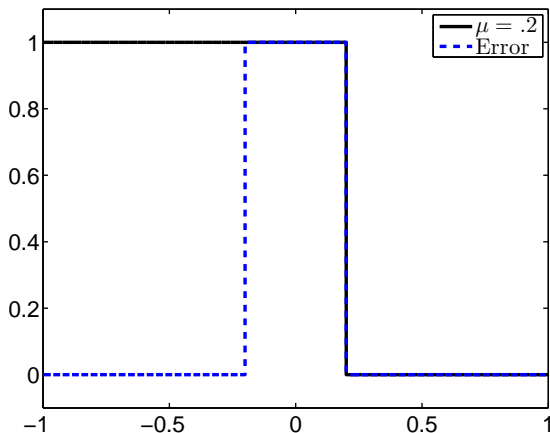
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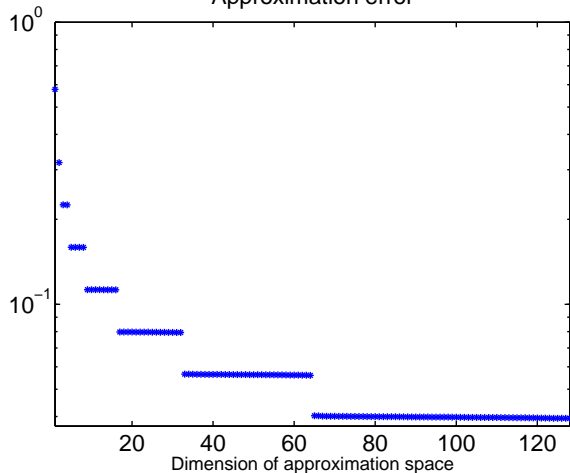
3. Second basis:

$$\mu = .2 \rightarrow H(.2 - x)$$



Repeat steps 2 & 3 until an approximation threshold is achieved

Approximation error



Greedy output (basis):

$$\mu^{\text{RB}} = \{ -0.2, 0.2, 0.0203, \\ -0.0844, 0.1147, \dots \}$$

- Greedy algorithm “**fails**” (SVD will too). Non-smooth w.r.t. parameter variations.
- If we let $y(\mu) = \mu - x$ then only 1 basis function $H(y)$ needed

- Need a fast/accurate way to compute the coefficients for *any* parameter μ

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Given m basis, there (usually) exists m times $\{T_i\}_{i=1}^m$ for which

$$\{c_i(\mu)\}_{i=1}^m \Longleftrightarrow \{h_\mu(T_i)\}_{i=1}^m$$

m numbers c_i contain equivalent information as m numbers $h_\mu(T_i)$

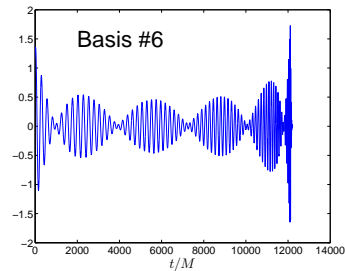
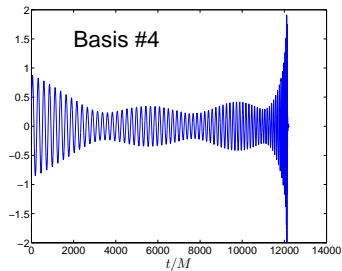
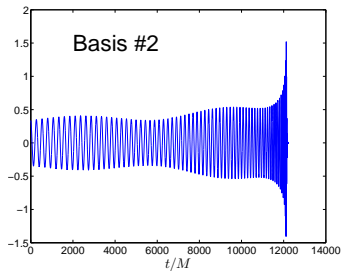
Empirical interpolation method

- **Input:** m basis $\{e_i(t)\}_{i=1}^m$
- **Output:** Nearly optimal selection of m times $\{T_i\}_{i=1}^m$
- These times are adapted to the problem/basis - unlike Chebyshev nodes

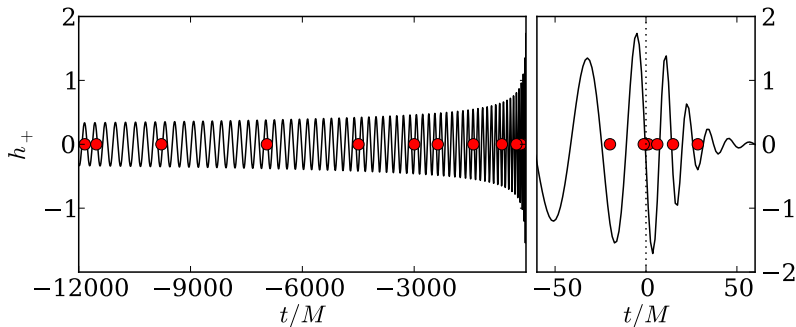
Barrault 2004, Maday 2009, Chaturantabut 2009, Sorensen 2009

Interpolation points for EOB waveforms

What are the best temporal interpolation points for an EOB-basis?



Model: non-spinning EOB, $q \in [1, 2]$, 65-70 wave cycles (previous example)



- Any waveform in the above range can be recovered through its evaluation at these 5 (error $\sim 10^{-4}$) to 19 (error $\sim 10^{-12}$) empirical time nodes

$$h_\mu(t) \approx \sum_i^m c_i(\mu) e_i(t) = \sum_i^m B_i(t) h_\mu(T_i)$$

Step 3: parametric fits

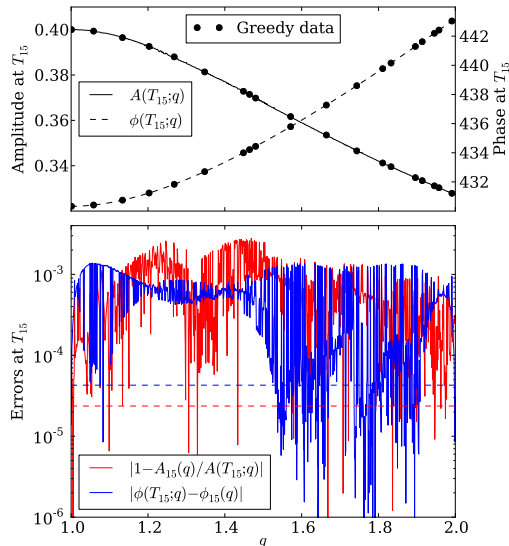
Main idea: Make the data look boring

- We know how $h_\mu(T_i)$ should look

$$h_\mu(t) \equiv A_\mu(t)e^{-i\phi_\mu(t)}$$

- A and ϕ are boring!
- Polynomial fit (in q) works well

$$A_q(T_i) \approx A_i(q) = \sum_{n=0}^N a_n q^n$$



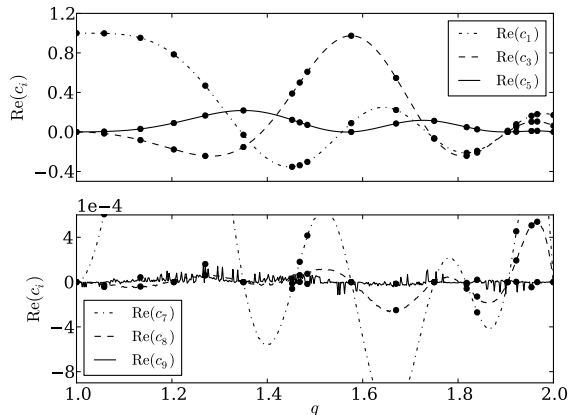
Alternative choices

$$h_{\mu}(t) \approx \sum_i^m c_i(\mu) e_i(t)$$

... no amplitude and phase decomposition.

$c_i(\mu) \rightarrow$

- $c_i(\mu)$ “exotic” looking function
- Deciding form of data to approximate is important (“feature engineering”)



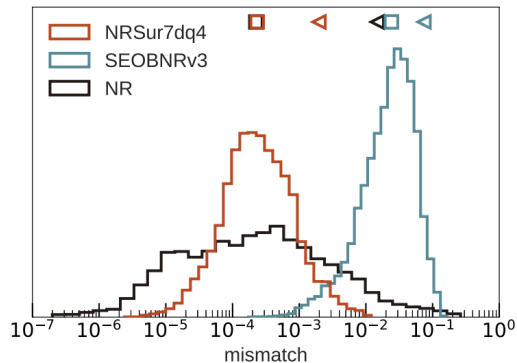
c_i vs q

Summary

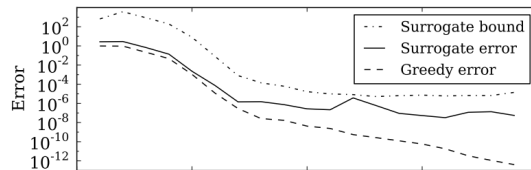
These three (offline) steps complete the building phase



Final step: validate the model



Cross-validation (arXiv:1905.09300).



Error bounds (arXiv:1308.3565)

Computing lab

[Jupyter notebook demo](#) (Today): building a 1-dimensional (2,2)-mode IMR model

Going further (Homework): Higher-dimensional models require more complicated data decomposition and regression tools suited for high-dimensional data on scattered grids.