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**Surrogate model for gravitational wave signals from  
black hole binaries built on black hole perturbation  
theory waveforms calibrated to numerical relativity:  
one model to rule both comparable and extreme mass  
ratio regime**

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[ [Islam +](#), [arXiv.2204.01972](#) ]

## Comparison with Self-force

Barry Wardell ([UCD](#)), Adam Pound ([Southampton](#)), Niels Warburton ([UCD](#)), Scott Field ([UMassD](#)), Gaurav Khanna ([URI](#))  
[ [Islam +](#), [In preparation](#) ]

# Gravitational Waveform Models

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Numerical Relativity (NR) waveforms

Phenomenological Methods

Post Newtonian Approximations

[ Blanchet+, Iyer+, Will+, ..]

Phenomenological waveform Models

[ Ajith+, London+, Khan+,  
Hannam+, ..]

Effective-one-body (EOB)  
waveform models

[ Bohe+, Cotesta+, Pan+, Babak+, .. ]

NR Surrogate waveform models

[ Field+, Blackman+, Varma+, Islam+ ]

Black Hole Perturbation Theory

[ Rifat+, Islam+ ]



# Point-Particle Black Hole Perturbation Theory (ppBHPT)

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The smaller black hole is modeled as a point-particle with no internal structure.

The framework was originally developed for extreme mass ratio inspirals and/or solving ringdown regime.

First, we compute the trajectory taken by the point-particle.

We use that trajectory to compute the gravitational wave emission by solving Teukolsky equation.

Best Way to generate accurate Waveform for extreme mass ratio binaries

# ppBHPT Inspiral-Merger-Ringdown Waveform

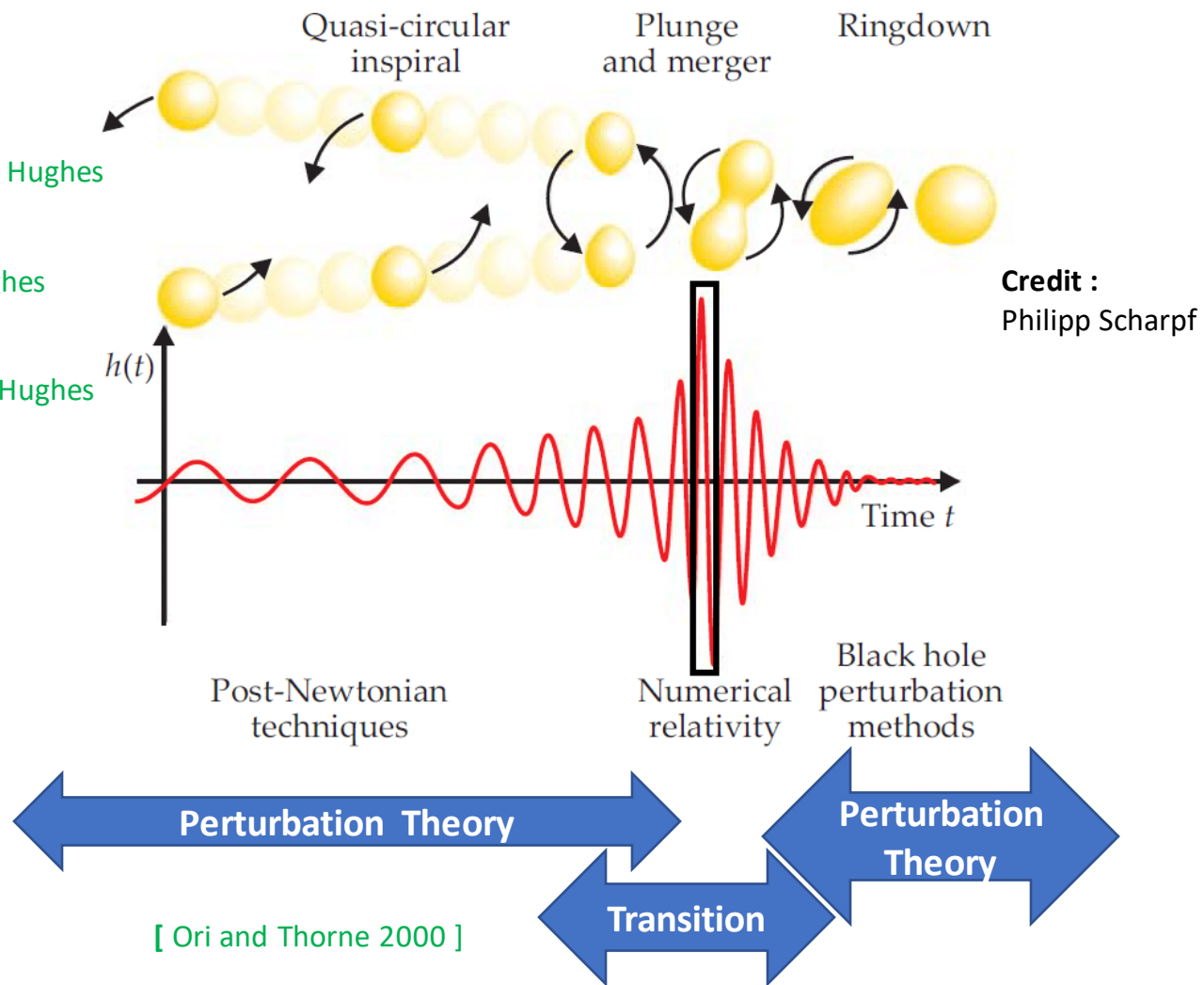
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[ Sundararajan, Khanna, and Hughes 2007 ]

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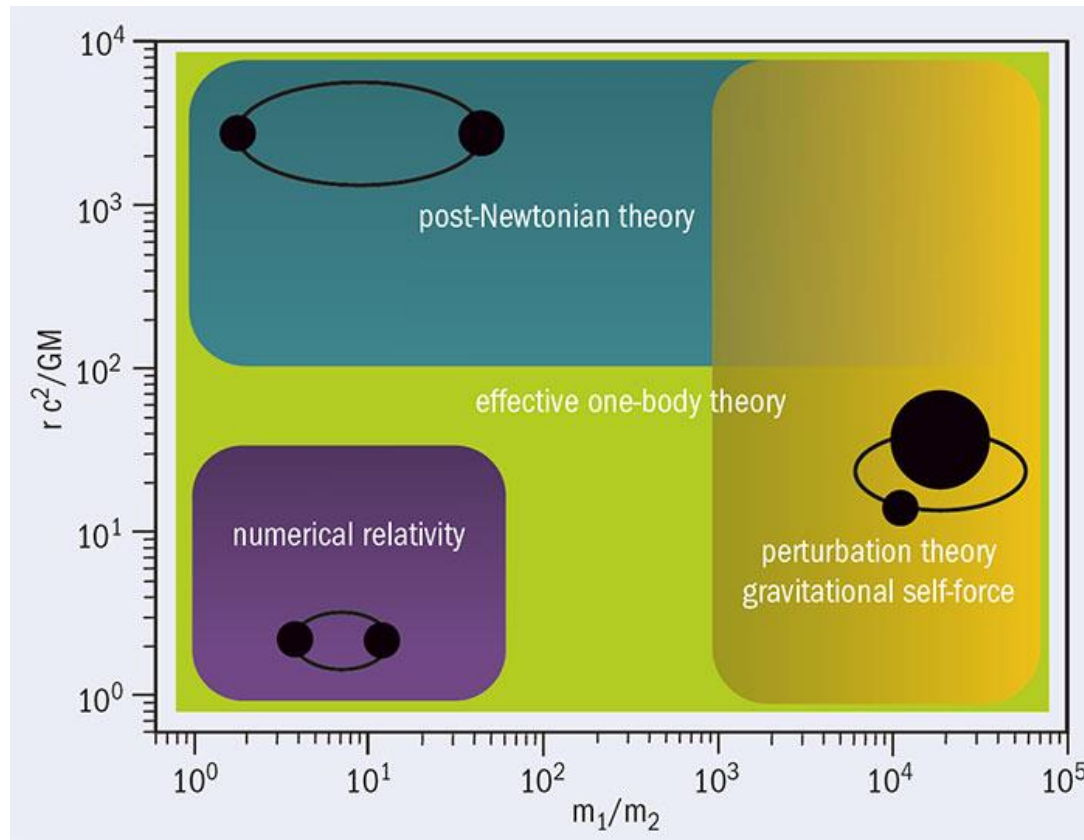
[ Zenginoglu and Khanna 2011 ]



[ Ori and Thorne 2000 ]

## Where should we trust ppBHPT ?

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[ Image credit: arXiv:1410.7832 ]

## Why Another Model ?

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None of the current NR-Surrogate / EOB / Phenom models are accurate in high mass ratio regime

Intermediate Mass Ratio Binaries : GW190814 (mass ratio  $q \sim 10$ )

ppBHPT gives most accurate waveform for higher mass ratio systems; However, it is computationally expensive

"Kludge" Models

[ Barack+, Babak+, Gair+, Chua+]

Second Order Self Force

[ Wardell+]

# BHPTNRSur1dq1e4 : an overview

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Available via



Black-hole Perturbation Toolkit

gw-surrogate

Non-Spinning Binaries : BHPTNRSur1dq1e4

- **Covers comparable to large Mass Ratio** :  $q=2.5$  to  $q=10^4$
- **Trained on ppBHPT waveforms from time-domain Teukolsky Solver** :
  - OPA waveforms, updated plunge model in the ppBHPT framework
- **Many modes** :
  - 25 modes up to  $\ell=10$
- **Longer waveforms** : [ Relevant for LIGO, Cosmic Explorer, Einstein Telescope ]
  - 35000M
- **Calibrated to NR in the small mass ratio regime** :
  - modes are calibrated up to  $\ell=5$

## Tuning ppBHPT to NR in small mass ratio regime

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- Can we build a single model from comparable to large/extreme mass ratio binaries?
- Can we extend perturbation theory framework in small mass ratio regime?
- Do we need to calibrate ppBHPT to NR in the small mass ratio regime?
- Will the calibration work for all modes?

# Tuning ppBHPT to NR in small mass ratio regime

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- Rescaling ppBHPT waveforms:
  - up to  $\ell=5$

$$\mathbf{h}_{\text{NR}} := h_{\text{S}, \alpha^\ell, \beta}^{\ell, m}(t; q) = \alpha^\ell h_{\text{S}}^{\ell, m}(t\beta; q)$$

rescaled ppBHPT

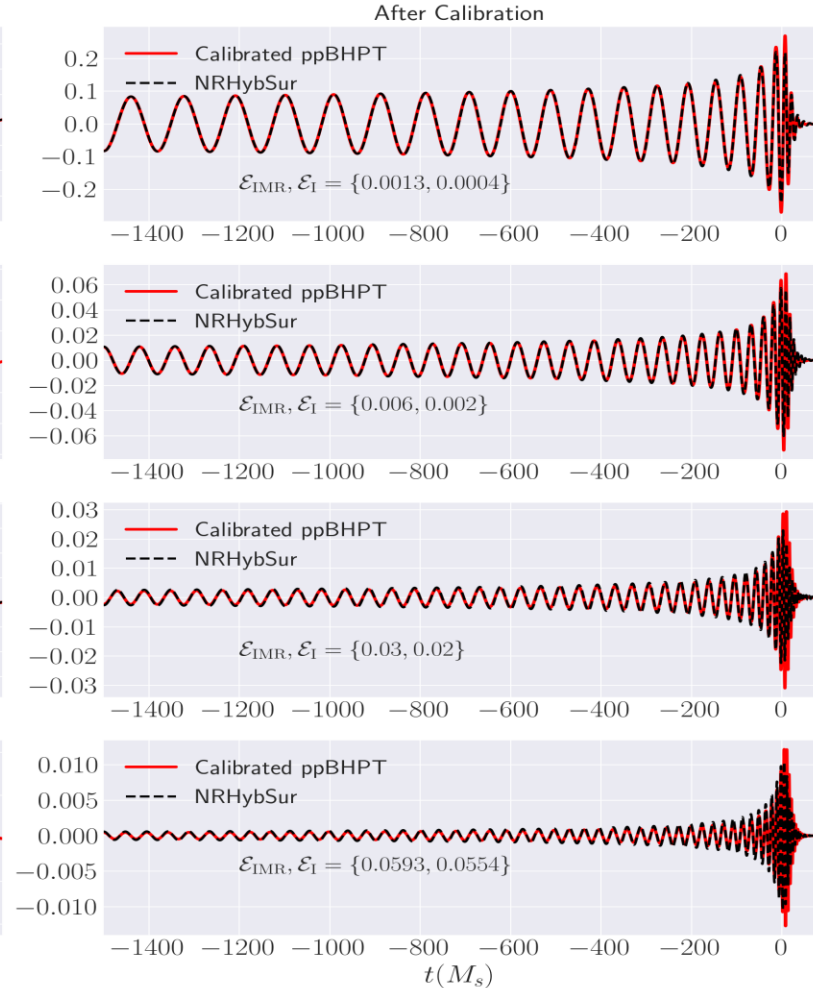
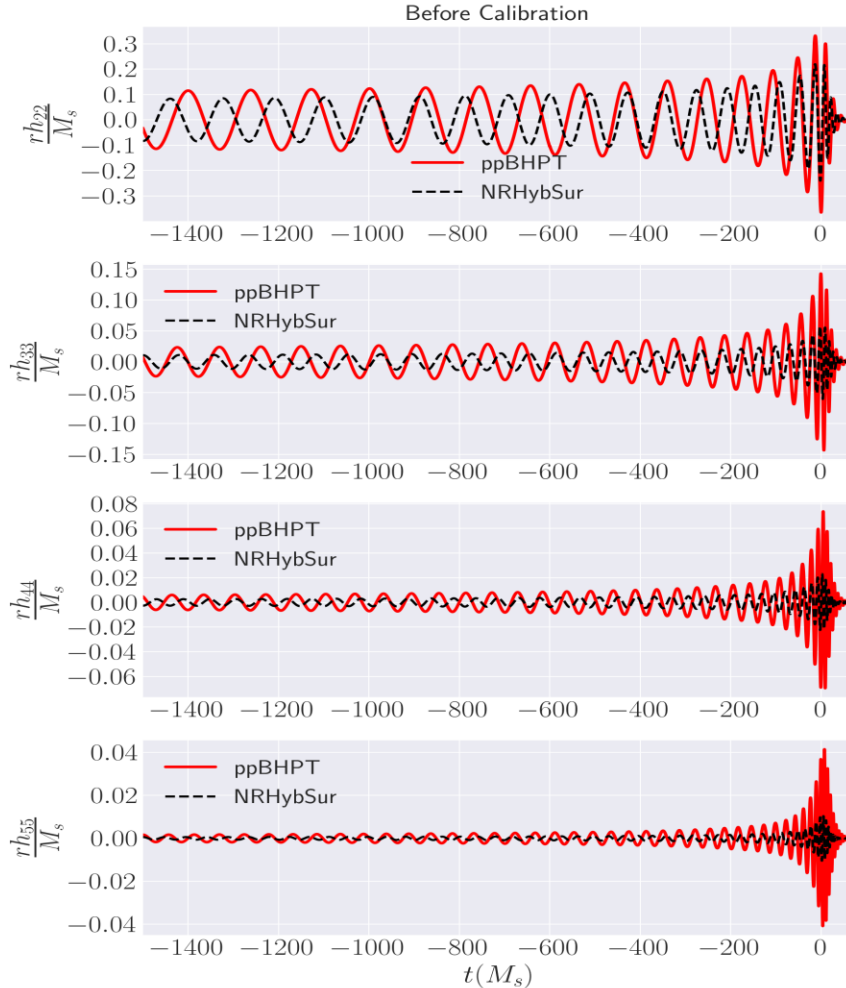
raw ppBHPT

- Obtain the scaling parameters by optimizing the error between scaled ppBHPT and NR (NRHybSur3dq8) :

$$\min_{\alpha^\ell, \beta} \frac{\int_{t=-5000M}^{t=115M} \left| h_{\text{S}, \alpha^\ell, \beta}^{\ell, m}(t; q) - h_{\text{NRHyb}}^{\ell, m}(t; q) \right|^2 dt}{\int_{t=-5000M}^{t=115M} \left| h_{\text{NRHyb}}^{\ell, m}(t; q) \right|^2 dt}$$

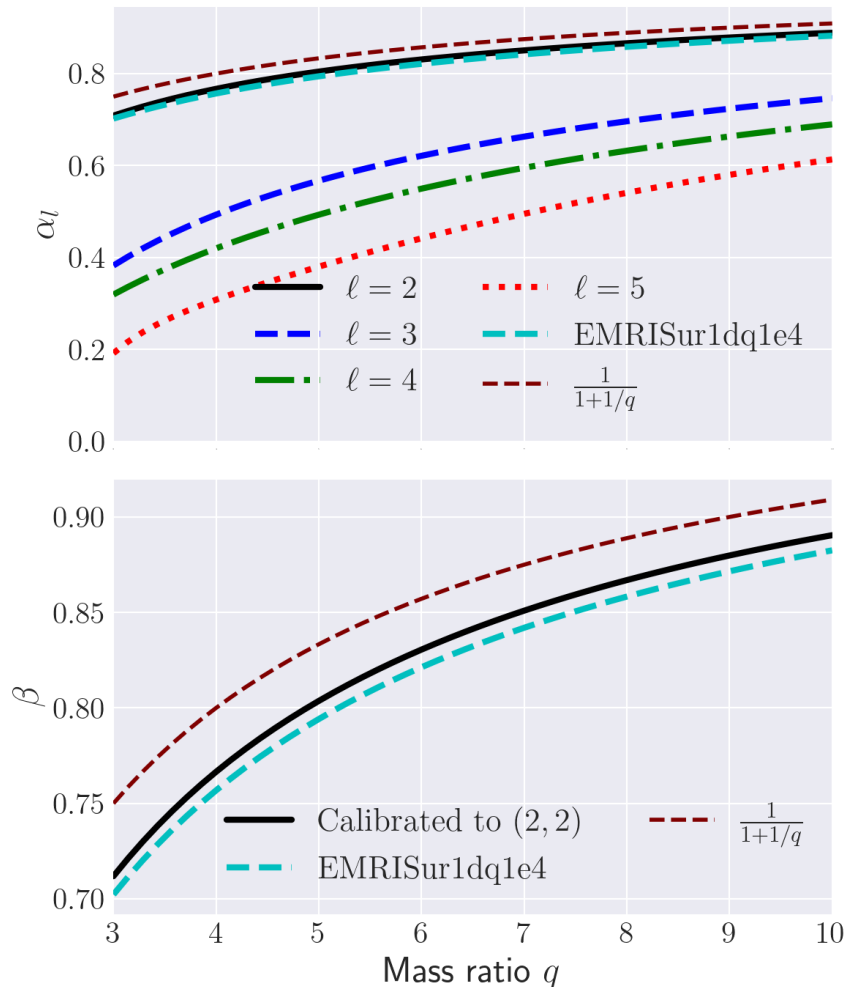
# Small Mass Ratio Regime :

## Comparison to NRHybSur3dq8 / example waveforms



Mass ratio :  $q=4$

## Small Mass Ratio Regime : Scaling ppBHPT waveforms to match NR



Fourth Order polynomial formula  
used for the scaling parameters as a  
function of small mass ratio ( $1/q$ )

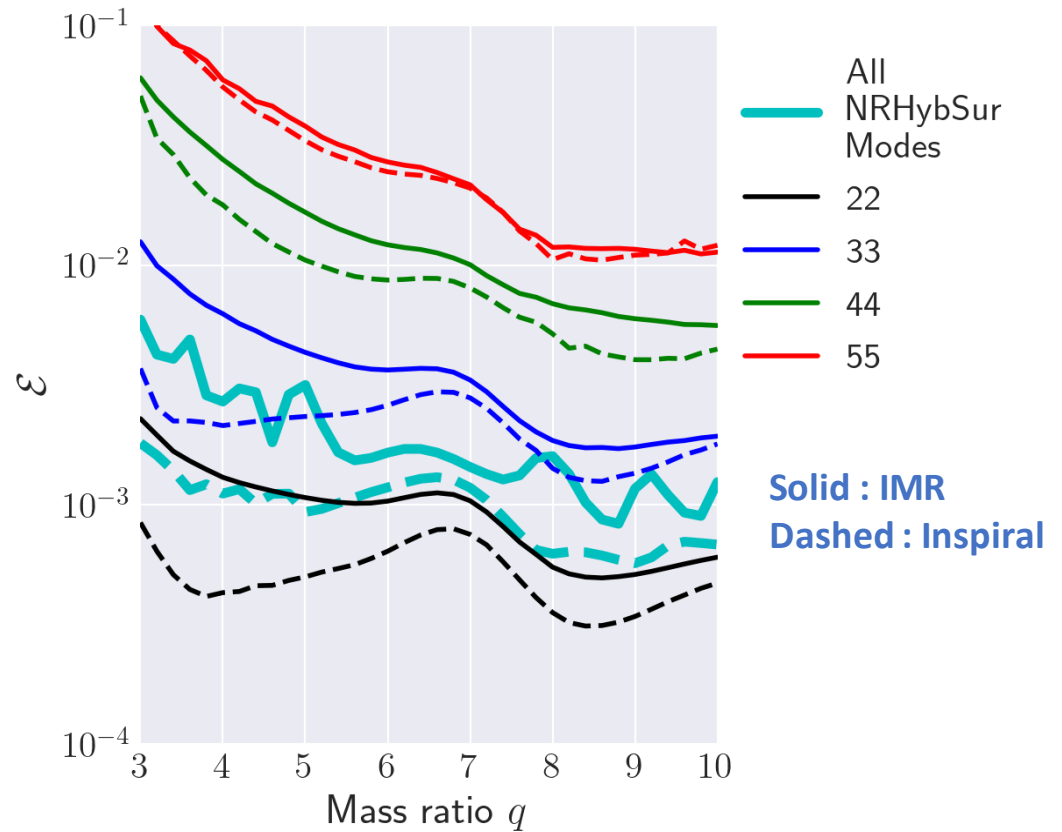
## Small Mass Ratio Regime :

### Comparison to NRHybSur3dq8 / Time Domain Error

(2,2) mode error  $\sim 10^{-3}$

(3,3) and (4,4) modes  
error  $\sim 10^{-2}$

Errors drop further when only  
INSPIRAL waveform is  
considered



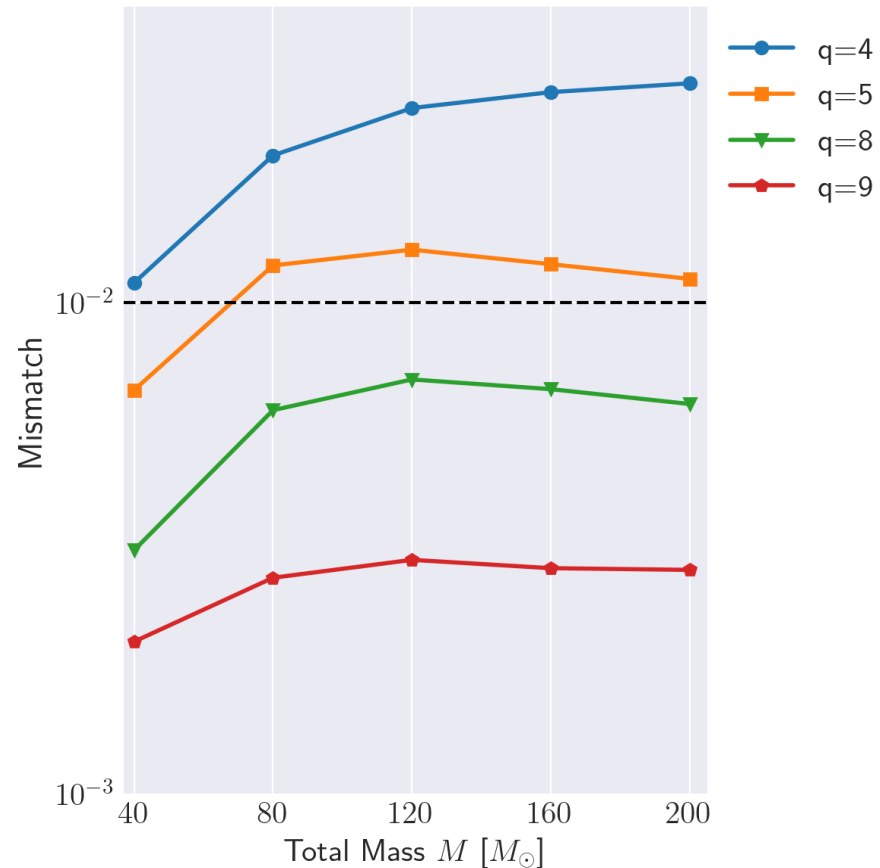
## Small Mass Ratio Regime :

### Comparison to NRHybSur3dq8 / Frequency Domain Mismatch

Mismatches are computed assuming advanced LIGO detector

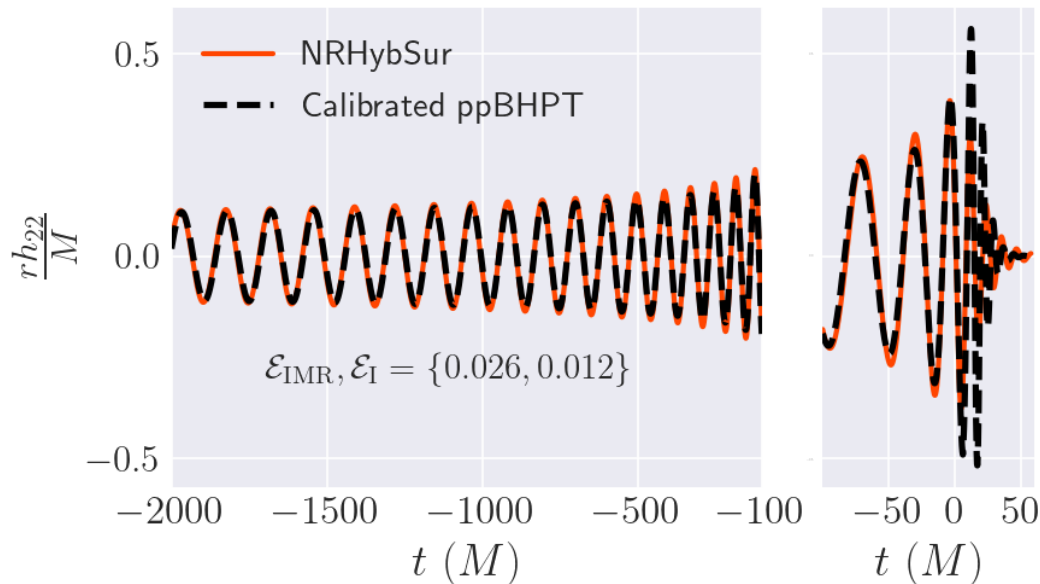
Mismatches decrease as mass ratio increases

For  $q \geq 5$ , mismatches are always below  $\sim 0.01$



## Small Mass Ratio Regime :

How small can we go in mass ratio and still get a good match?



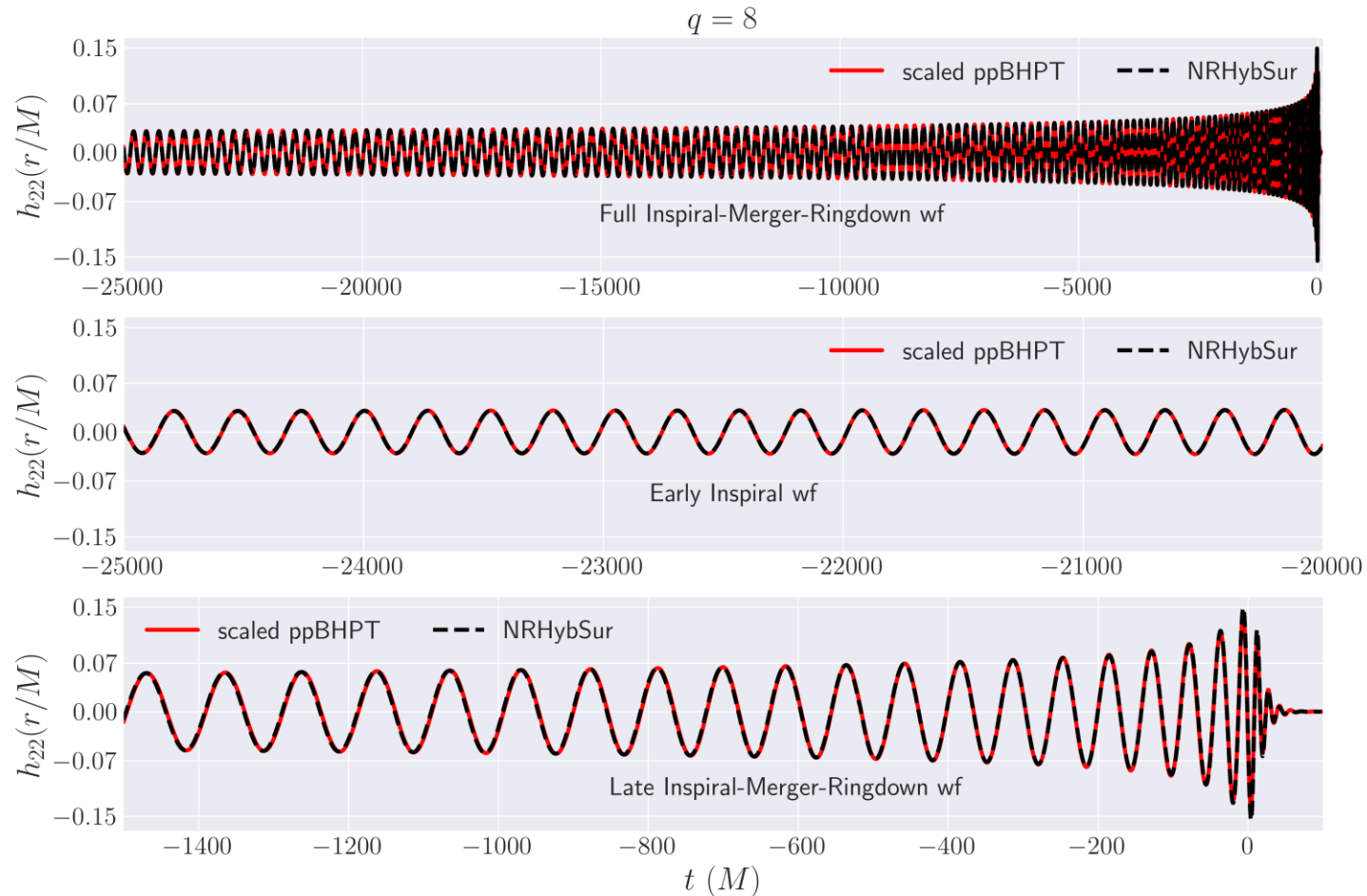
We have been able to obtain reasonable scaling until  $q=1.2$

Surrogate provides an alternative way to generate wfs because ppBHPT code breaks there

Higher modes errors are not as good

# Small Mass Ratio Regime :

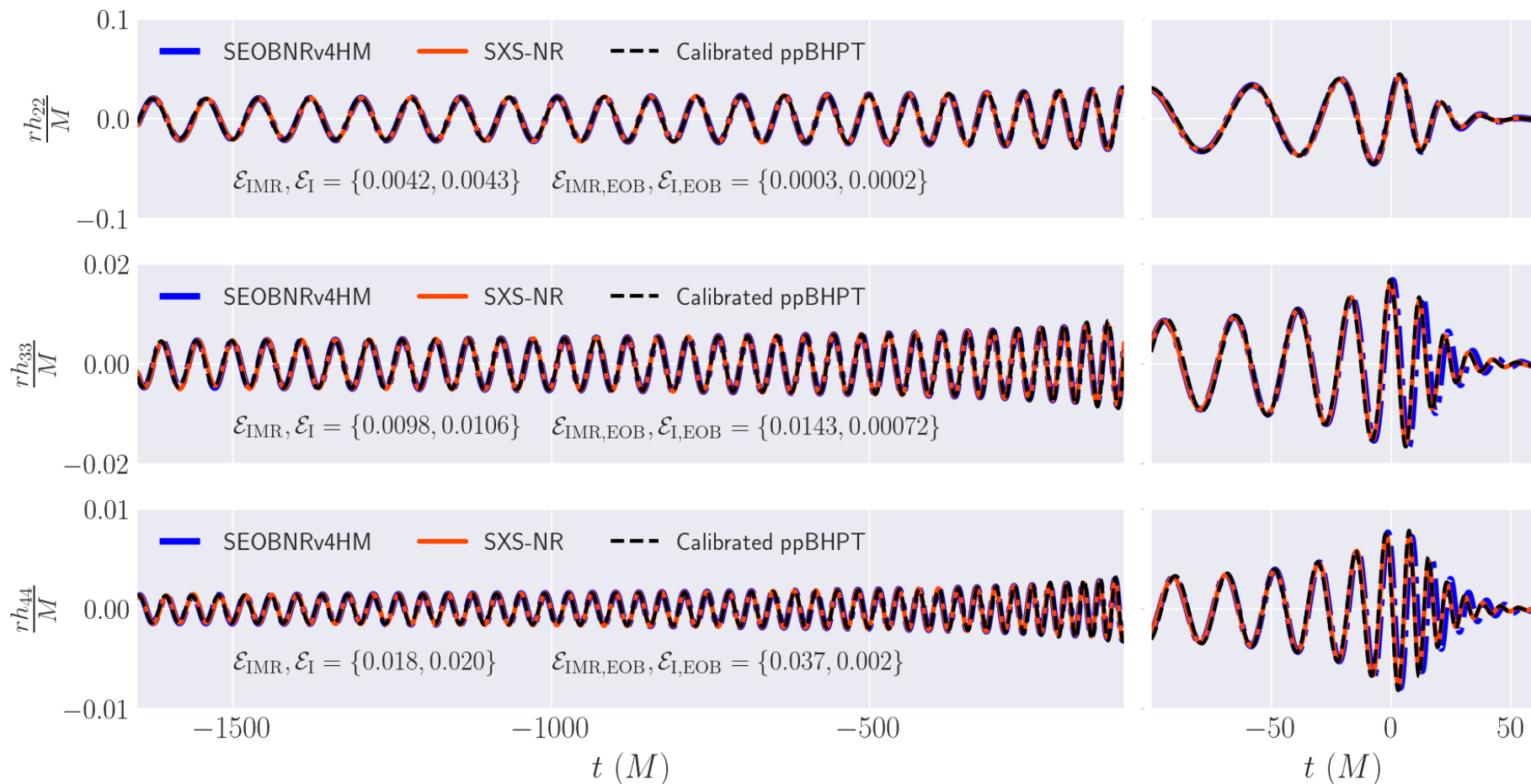
## [Validation] Testing Scaling over a longer time window



# Testing Scaling in Intermediate Mass Ratio Regime : [Validation] Comparison to SXS NR at q=30


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NR Simulation : **Matthew Giesler, Mark Scheel** *et al*




## Explaining Alpha-Beta Scaling: Comparison to Higher Order Self-force Calculation

$$\mathbf{h}_{\text{NR}} := h_{\text{S}, \alpha^\ell, \beta}^{\ell, m}(t; q) = \alpha^\ell h_{\text{S}}^{\ell, m}(t\beta; q)$$

rescaled ppBHPT  raw ppBHPT

### Second Order Self-force Calculation

$$\mathbf{h}_{\text{NR}} := \mathbf{h}_{0\text{PA}} + \mathbf{h}_{1\text{PA}}$$

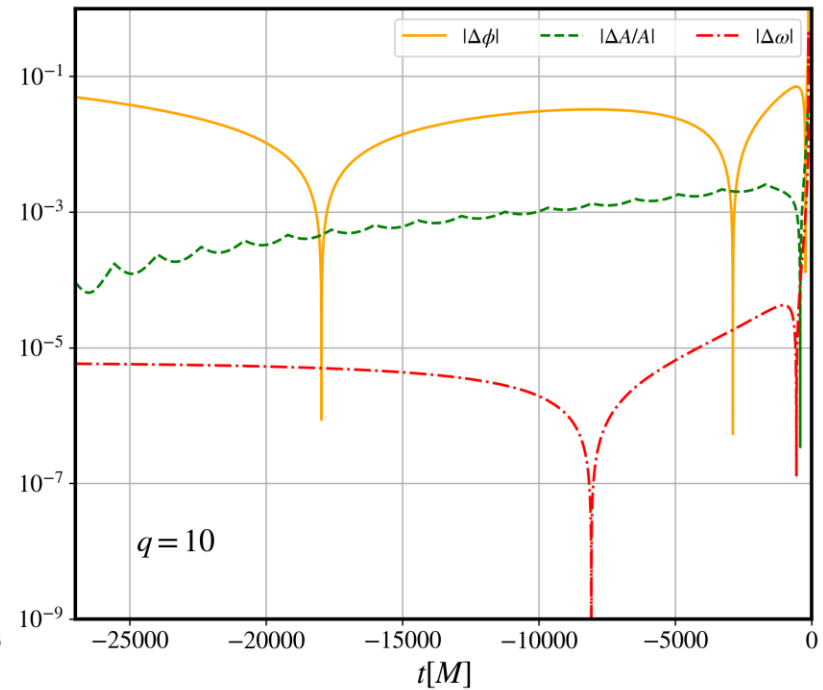
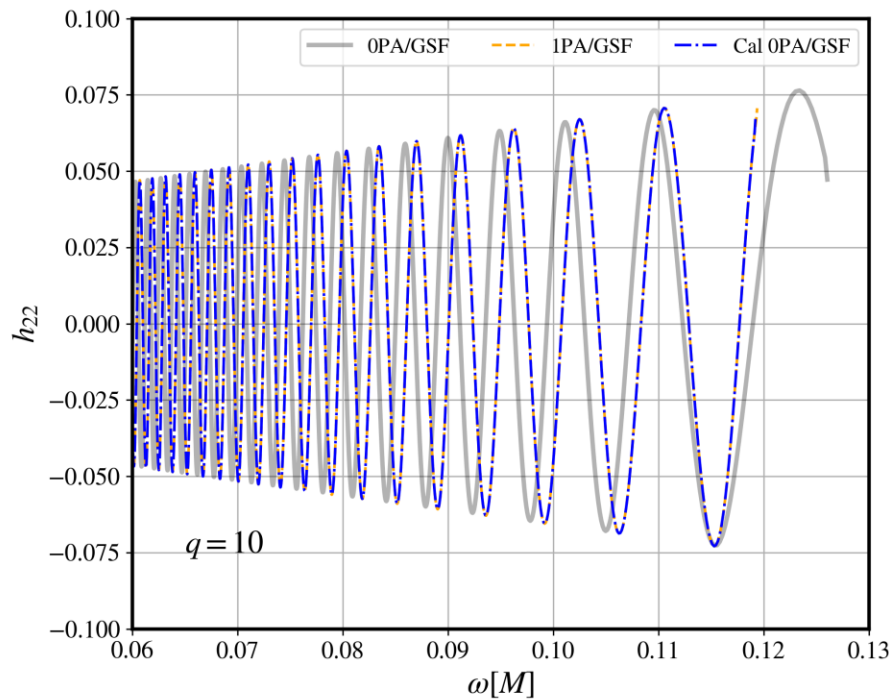
 raw ppBHPT

[ Wardell, Pound, Warburton et al, 2021 ]

# Explaining Alpha-Beta Scaling:

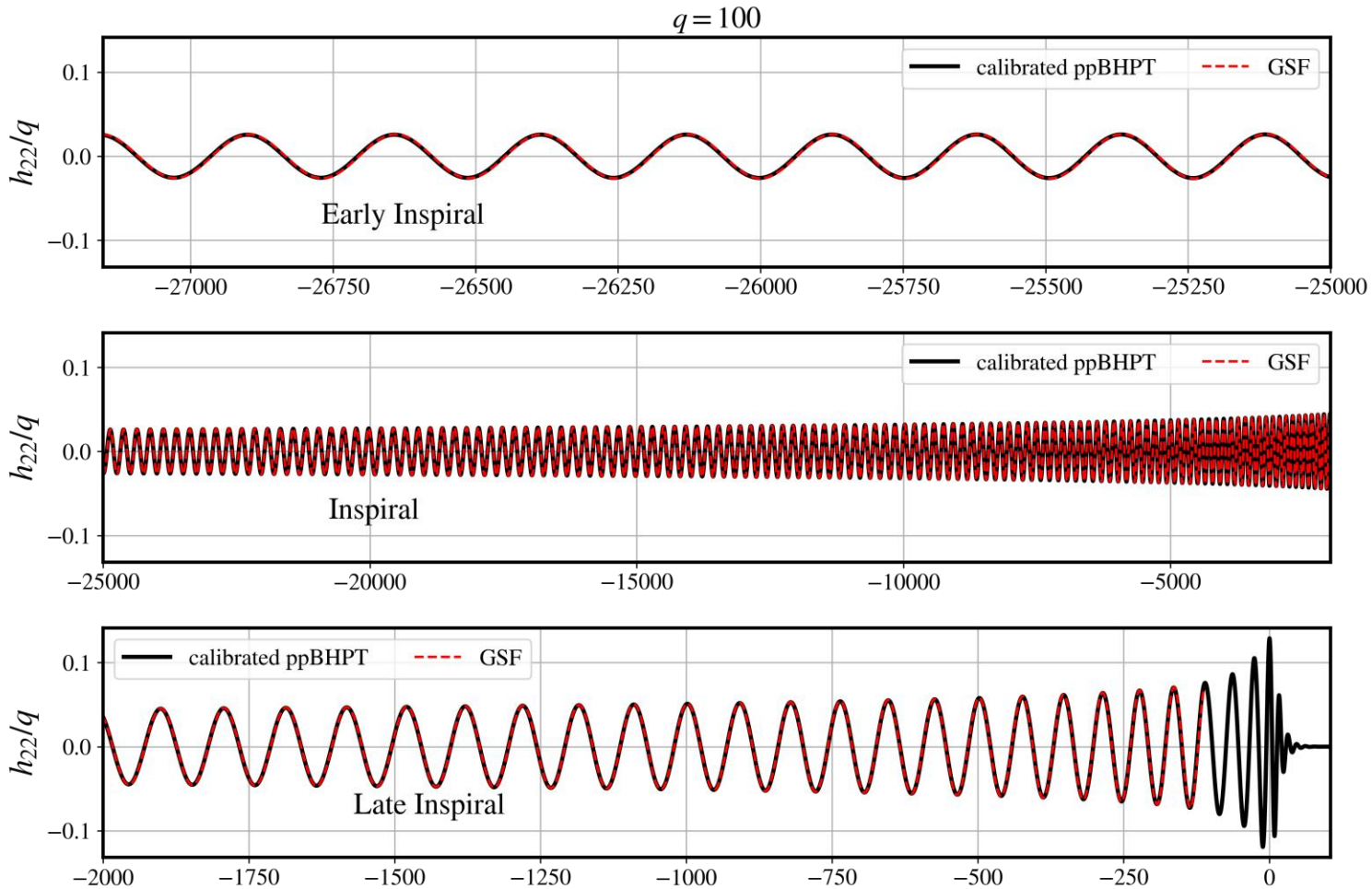
## Comparison to Higher Order Self-force Calculation

1PA self-force waveform can be obtained using 0PA self-force waveform using an alpha-beta rescaling !!



# Explaining Alpha-Beta Scaling:

## Comparison to Higher Order Self-force Calculation



# What's Next in BHPTNRSur?

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## Aligned spinning Model

[ $3 \leq q \leq 10000$ ;  $-0.6 \leq a \leq 0.6$ ]

Katie Rink, Kevin González-Quesada, Scott Field, *Tousif Islam*, Gaurav Khanna, Vijay Varma

## Eccentric Model

[ $3 \leq q \leq 100$ ;  $0.0 \leq ecc \leq 0.2$ ]

*Tousif Islam*, Scott Field, Gaurav Khanna, Niels Warburton

## Precessing Spin Model

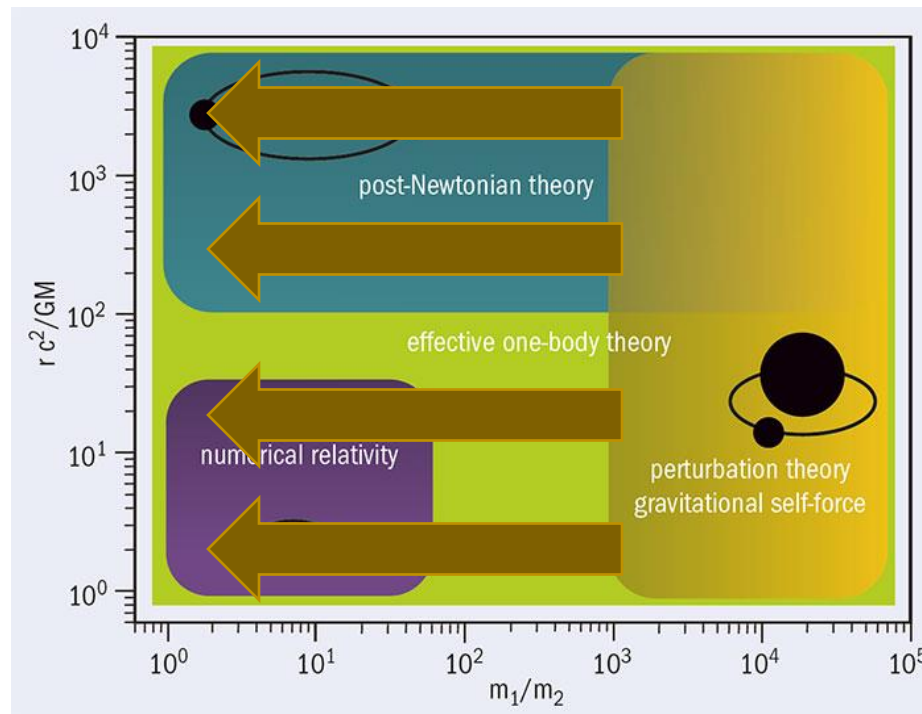
[ $3 \leq q \leq 10000$ ; slightly misaligned system]

Ritesh Bacchar, *Tousif Islam*, Scott Field, Gaurav Khanna

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git clone https://github.com/BlackHolePerturbationToolkit/BHPTNRSurrogate.git
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pip install gwsurrogate
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ppBHPT waveform model from comparable to extreme mass ratios **including higher order modes** ( $1.2 \leq q \leq 10,000$ )



Thank You