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Black-Hole Bombs and Photon-Mass Bounds

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Goal

Dynamics of light massive fields around spinning black holes

- **Dark matter candidates**
- **BHs as particle physics labs** → simple objects, no coupling
- **Open problems in BH perturbation theory**

BH superradiance

- Simple BH-matter interaction
- Kerr BH: wave amplified if

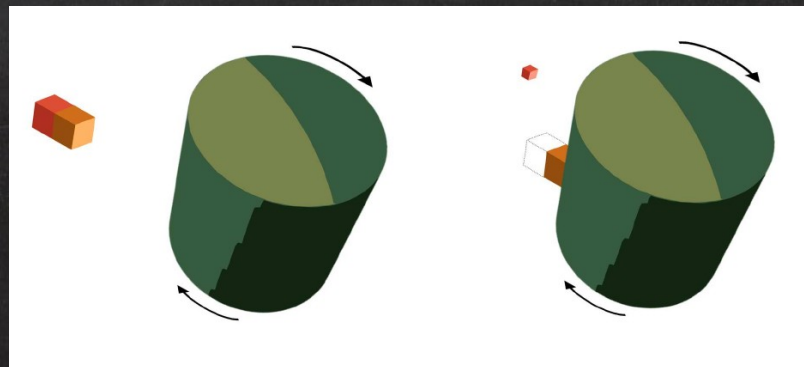
$$\omega < m\Omega_H$$

- Linear effect, but peek to backreaction
- Requires dissipation → needs an event horizon

[Thorne, Price, Macdonald's book]

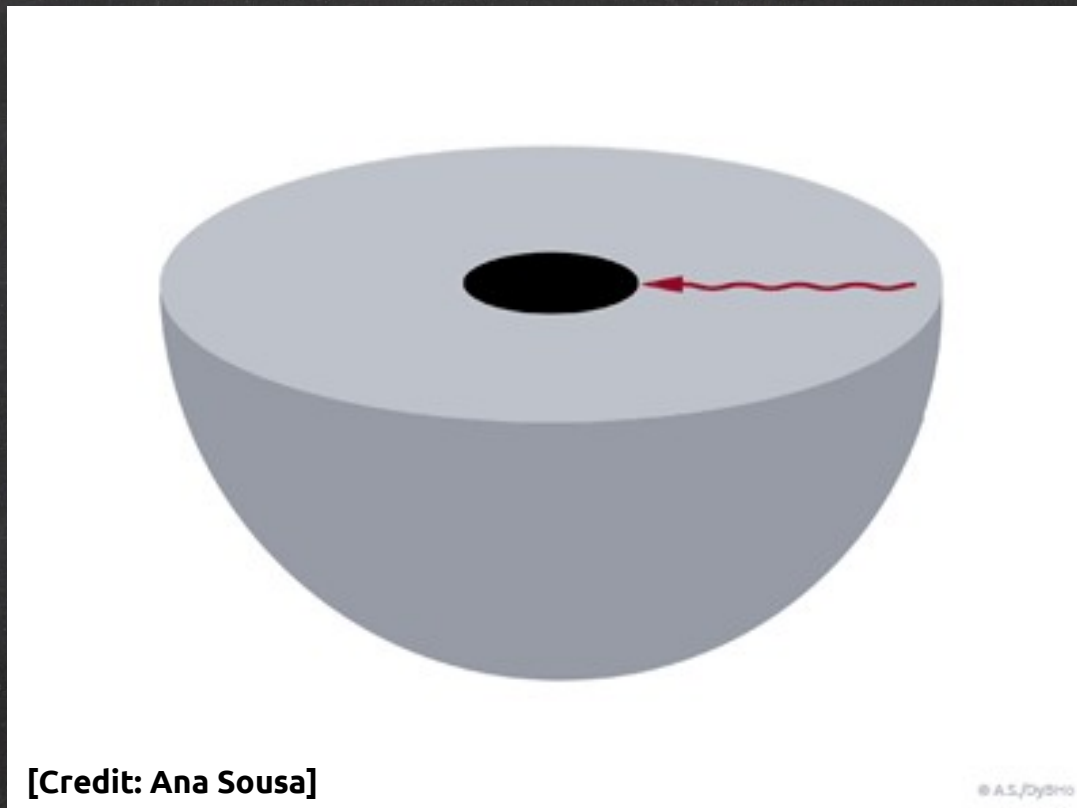
[Richartz et al. 2008]

[Cardoso & Pani, 2012]



Zel'dovich effect. [Credit: Ana Sousa]

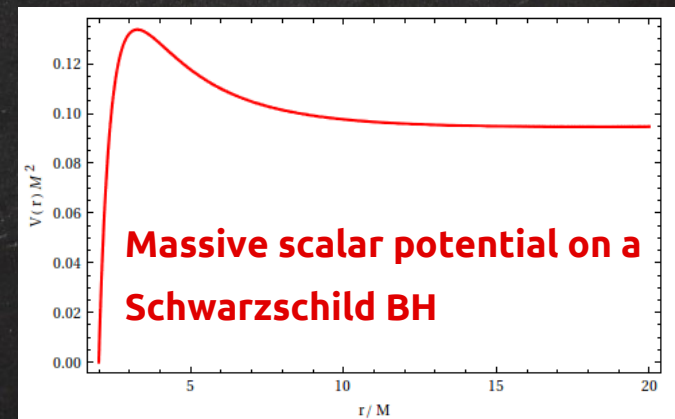
BH bomb [Press and Teukolsky '72]



- *“Nature may provide its own mirrors”*

[Cardoso, Dias, Lemos, Yoshida, 2004]

- AdS boundaries
- Massive fields

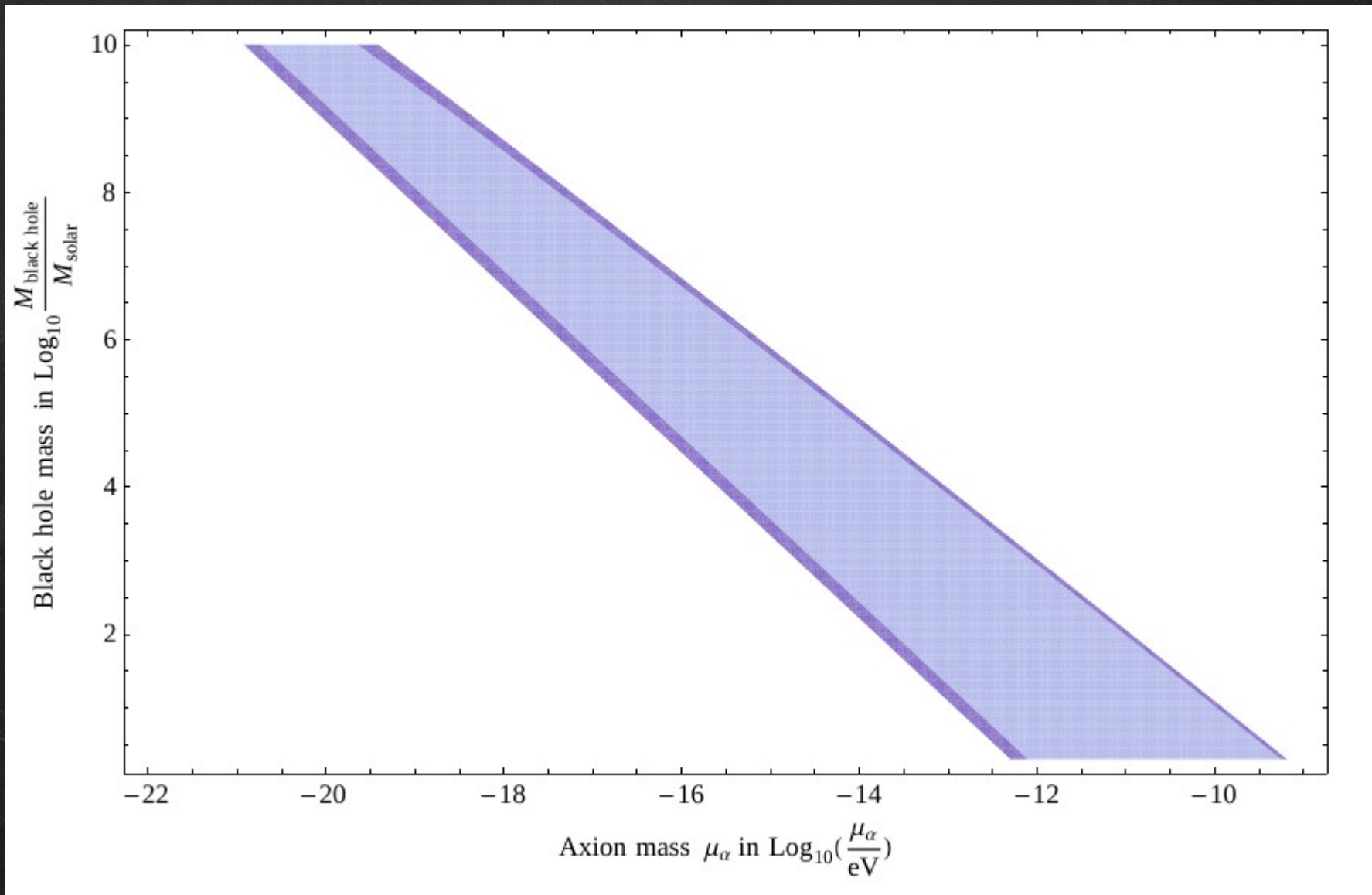


Scalar fields & superradiance

$$\square\phi - \mu^2\phi = 0$$

- **Massive** fields around **spinning** BHs are **unstable**
- Instability is well-studied in the **scalar case**
 - **Strongest instability when $\mu M \sim 1$**
 - **Primordial BHs ($10^{14} - 10^{23}$ kg) and SM particles** [Damour et al. 1976]
[Detweiler, 1980]
[Earley & Zouros 1979]
[Cardoso & Yoshida 2005]
[Dolan 2007]
[Rosa 2010, 2012]
 - **Ultra-light particles ($m \sim 10^{-21} - 10^{-9}$ eV) and massive BHs**
 - **Axiverse scenario** (QCD axions, Peccei-Quinn mechanism, etc...) [Arvanitaki et al. 2010-2011]
 - **Bosenova** (numerical simulations are challenging!) [Kodama & Yoshino 2011-2012]
[Witek et al, in preparation]

Scalar fields & superradiance



[Arvanitaki et al. 2010-2011]

Vector fields & superradiance

$$\nabla_{\sigma} F^{\sigma\nu} - \mu^2 A^{\nu} = 0$$

- The **massive spin-1 around Kerr BHs** still **uncharted territory**
 - **Massive hidden U(1) vector fields** are generic features of extensions of SM [Goodsel et al. 2009]
 - **Non-rotating case: conjecture of a stronger instability?** [Rosa & Dolan 2011]
 - **Perturbation equations do not separate (?)** → set of PDEs [Konoplya 2006]
[Herdeiro, Sampaio, Wang 2012]
- **Approaches**
 - Full nonlinear evolution
 - Linear time evolution on a fixed background
 - Frequency domain on a fixed background

BH perturbations. Spherical symmetry

[Kokkotas & Schmidt 1998]
 [Berti et al. 2009]
 [Konoplya & Zhidenko 2011]

$$ds^2 = \underbrace{-f(r)dt^2 + h(r)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2d\Omega_2}_{\text{background}} + \underbrace{(\delta_{\text{RW}}g_{\mu\nu})e^{-i\omega t}dx^\mu dx^\nu}_{\text{perturbations}}$$

- Regge-Wheeler formalism:

$$\|\delta_{\text{RW}}g_{\mu\nu}\| = \begin{bmatrix} f(r)H_0(r)Y_{lm} & \overset{\text{Polar}}{\nearrow} H_1(r)Y_{lm} & -h_0(r)\frac{1}{\sin\theta}\frac{\partial Y_{lm}}{\partial\varphi} & h_0(r)\sin\theta\frac{\partial Y_{lm}}{\partial\theta} \\ * & \frac{H_2(r)Y_{lm}}{h(r)} & -h_1(r)\frac{1}{\sin\theta}\frac{\partial Y_{lm}}{\partial\varphi} & h_1(r)\sin\theta\frac{\partial Y_{lm}}{\partial\theta} \\ * & * & r^2K(r)Y_{lm} & 0 \\ * & * & * & r^2\sin^2\theta K(r)Y_{lm} \end{bmatrix} \overset{\text{Axial}}{\nearrow}$$

- The axial and polar sectors decouple:

$$\mathcal{A}_\ell = 0 \quad \mathcal{P}_\ell = 0$$

Linear equations involving **axial** or **polar** perturbations only

- Solved with **suitable boundary conditions** → eigenvalue problem

- **Any** spherically symmetric background, **any** theory, **any** field

Non-separable (?) problems

- Separability in Kerr is almost a **miracle!**
- **Four dimensions**
 - **Massive vector** (Proca) fields on a Kerr background
 - Gravitational-EM perturbations of **Kerr-Newman BHs**
 - Rotating objects in **alternative theories**
- **Higher dimensions**
 - **Myers-Perry BHs**
 - Other rotating solutions
- **Stability, greybody factors, quasinormal modes?**

[Teukolsky ~ 1973]

[Teukolsky and Press]

[Chandra's book]

Part I

Perturbations of slowly-rotating BHs: General framework

Method. Perturbations of slowly rotating spacetimes

- Slowly-rotating background metric:

$$ds_0^2 = -F(r)dt^2 + B(r)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2 d^2\Omega - 2\varpi(r) \sin^2 \theta d\varphi dt$$

- Expand any equation (scalar, vector, tensor...) in **spherical harmonics**

$$\delta X_{\mu_1 \dots}(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi) = \delta X_{\ell m}^{(i)}(r) \mathcal{Y}_{\mu_1 \dots}^{\ell m (i)} e^{-i\omega t}$$

[Kojima 1992, 1993, 1997]

- For **any** metric, **any** theory and **any** perturbations: system of radial ODEs:

$$A_{\ell m} + \tilde{a}m\bar{A}_{\ell m} + \tilde{a}(Q_{\ell m}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell-1m} + Q_{\ell+1m}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell+1m}) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\ell m} + \tilde{a}m\bar{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell m} + \tilde{a}(Q_{\ell m}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell-1m} + Q_{\ell+1m}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell+1m}) = 0$$

- Zeeman splitting

$$Q_{\ell m} = \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2 - m^2}{4\ell^2 - 1}}$$

- Laporte-like selection rule

- Propensity rule

$A, \mathcal{P} \rightarrow$ Linear combinations of axial and polar perturbations

Perturbative scheme

$$0 = \mathcal{A}_\ell$$

Zeroth order: decoupled

$$0 = \mathcal{P}_\ell$$

\mathcal{P}_{L+3}

\mathcal{A}_{L+2}

\mathcal{P}_{L+1}

\mathcal{A}_L

\mathcal{P}_{L-1}

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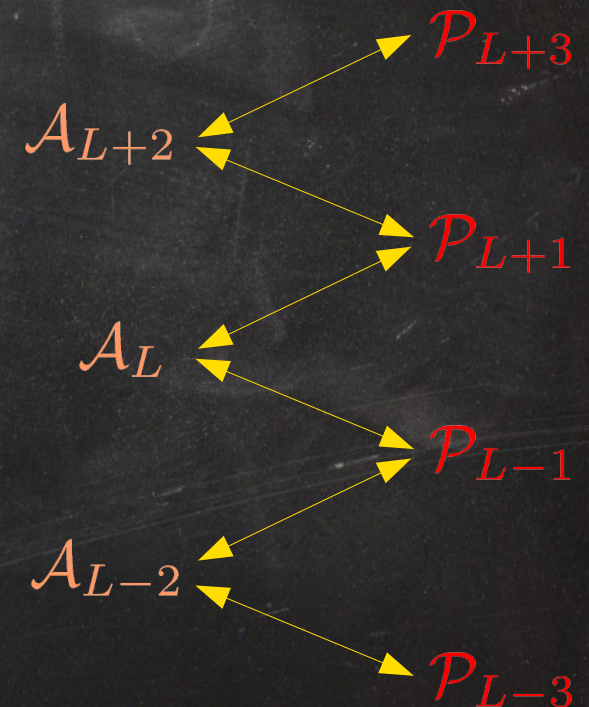
Perturbative scheme

$$0 = \mathcal{A}_\ell + \tilde{a}m\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\ell + \tilde{a}(Q_\ell\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell-1} + Q_{\ell+1}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell+1})$$

Zeroth order: decoupled

First order: polar-axial $l \pm 1$

$$0 = \mathcal{P}_\ell + \tilde{a}m\bar{\mathcal{P}}_\ell + \tilde{a}(Q_\ell\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell-1} + Q_{\ell+1}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell+1})$$



Perturbative scheme

$$0 = \mathcal{A}_\ell$$

$$+\tilde{a}m\bar{\mathcal{A}}_\ell + \tilde{a}(Q_\ell\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell-1} + Q_{\ell+1}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell+1})$$

$$+\tilde{a}^2 \left[\hat{\mathcal{A}}_\ell + Q_{\ell-1}Q_\ell\check{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell-2} + Q_{\ell+2}Q_{\ell+1}\check{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell+2} \right]$$

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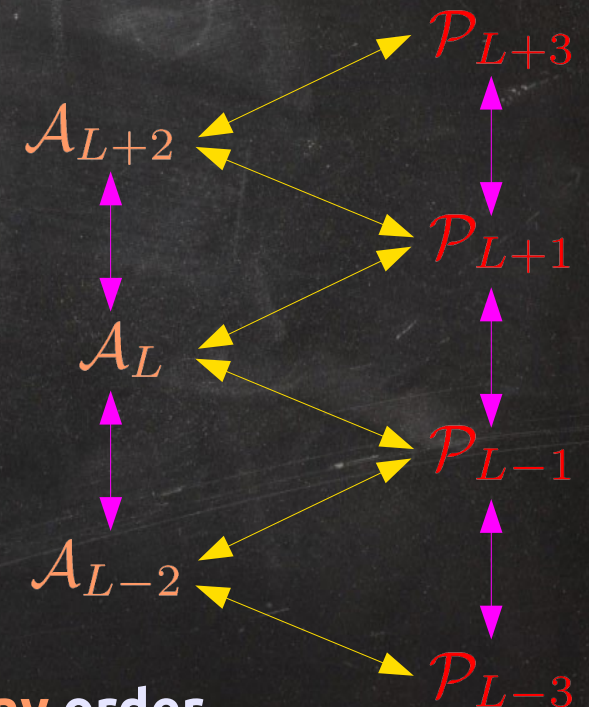
First order: polar-axial $l\pm 1$

Second order: $l\pm 2$

$$0 = \mathcal{P}_\ell$$

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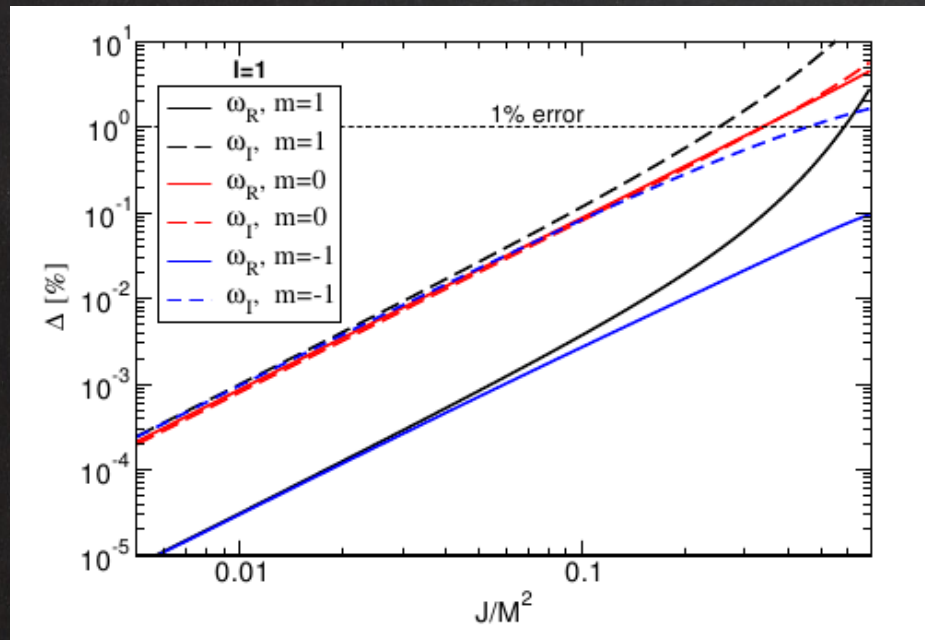


- Generic: **any** metric, **any** perturbation, **any** theory, **any** order

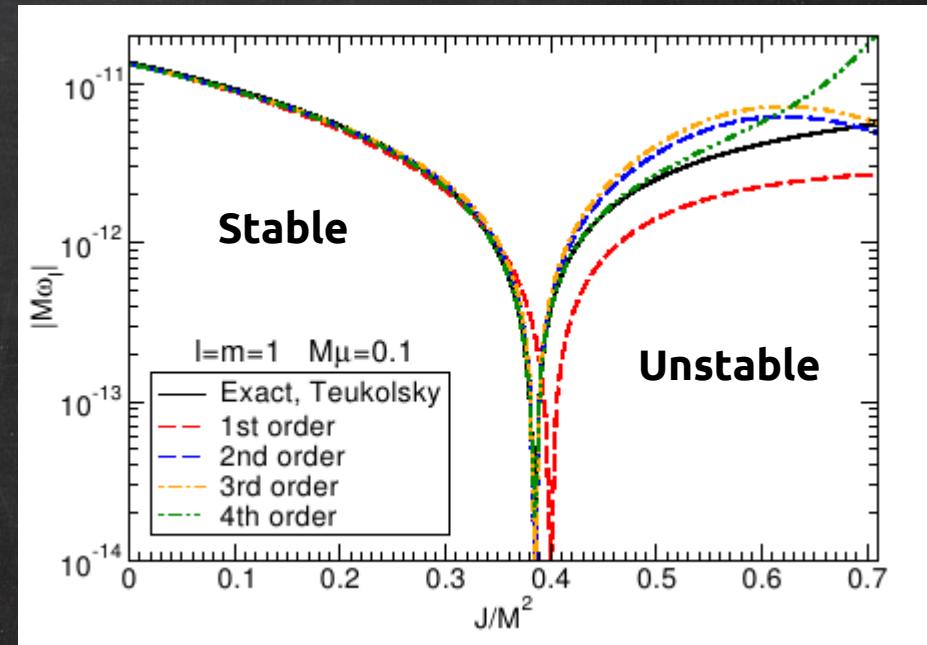
Slow-rotation method. tests

Numerics in the slow-rotation scheme are “easy” to perform

- direct integration (bound states)
- continued fractions (QNMs, bound states)
- Breit-Wigner method (QNMs, bound states)
- WKB (?)



EM (massless) QNMs of a Kerr BH



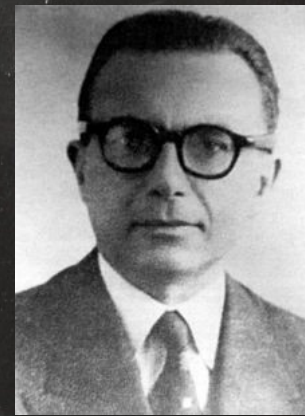
Massive scalar modes of a Kerr BH

- Good results even for moderately large spin

Part II

Proca perturbations of a Kerr BH

Proca equation



Alexandru Proca

$$\nabla_{\sigma} F^{\sigma\nu} - \mu^2 A^{\nu} = 0 \quad m = \hbar\mu/c$$

Mass

$$\implies \nabla_{\sigma} A^{\sigma} = 0, \quad \square A^{\nu} - \mu^2 A^{\nu} = 0$$

- (apparently) **nonseparable** in a Kerr background
- Note that EM (massless) perturbations in **Kerr-(A)dS** are separable!

$$\nabla_{\sigma} F^{\sigma\nu} = 0 \implies \square A^{\nu} - \nabla^{\nu}(\nabla_{\sigma} A^{\sigma}) + \Lambda A^{\nu} = 0$$

- However \rightarrow role of the **gauge freedom** \rightarrow massless fields propagate **2 DOF**
- Proca eq. implies **Lorenz condition** \rightarrow no more freedom \rightarrow **3 DOF**
- **Equivalent to gravitational theories with higher-curvature terms:**

$$\mathcal{L} = \sqrt{-g} \left(R + \alpha R_{[ab]} R^{[ab]} \right)$$

[Buchdahl '70]

[Vitagliano, Sotiriou, Liberati 2010]

Proca in slowly-rotating Kerr

- The Proca problem becomes tractable in the **slow-rotation approximation**
- Let us decompose the **Proca field in vector spherical harmonics**:

$$Y_a^{\ell m} = (\partial_{\vartheta} Y^{\ell m}, \partial_{\varphi} Y^{\ell m}) \quad S_a^{\ell m} = \left(\frac{1}{\sin \vartheta} \partial_{\varphi} Y^{\ell m}, -\sin \vartheta \partial_{\vartheta} Y^{\ell m} \right)$$

$$\delta A_{\mu}(t, r, \vartheta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell, m} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ u_{(4)}^{\ell m}(t, r) S_a^{\ell m} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Axial parity}} + \sum_{\ell, m} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} u_{(1)}^{\ell m}(t, r) Y^{\ell m} \\ u_{(2)}^{\ell m}(t, r) Y^{\ell m} \\ u_{(3)}^{\ell m}(t, r) Y_a^{\ell m} \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{Polar parity}}$$

- One spurious degree of freedom → **three physical perturbation functions**

Proca in slowly-rotating Kerr

- The **angular part can be eliminated** using the orthogonality properties of the spherical harmonics. E.g.:

$$\delta\Pi_t \equiv (A_{\ell m}^{(0)} + \tilde{A}_{\ell m}^{(0)} \cos \vartheta) Y^{\ell m} + B_{\ell m}^{(0)} \sin \vartheta \partial_{\vartheta} Y^{\ell m} = 0$$

- We compute the following integral:

$$\int \delta\Pi_I Y^{*\ell m} d\Omega, \quad (I = t, r, L)$$

- **Useful properties of spherical harmonics:**

$$\cos \vartheta Y^{\ell m} = Q_{\ell+1 m} Y^{\ell+1 m} + Q_{\ell m} Y^{\ell-1 m}$$

$$Q_{\ell m} = \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2 - m^2}{4\ell^2 - 1}}$$

$$\sin \vartheta \partial_{\vartheta} Y^{\ell m} = Q_{\ell+1 m} \ell Y^{\ell+1 m} - Q_{\ell m} (\ell + 1) Y^{\ell-1 m}$$

Proca in slowly-rotating Kerr

- From nonseparated equations:

$$\delta\Pi_t \equiv (A_{\ell m}^{(0)} + \tilde{A}_{\ell m}^{(0)} \cos\vartheta) Y^{\ell m} + B_{\ell m}^{(0)} \sin\vartheta \partial_{\vartheta} Y^{\ell m} = 0$$

- To radial ODEs:



$$A_{\ell m}^{(I)} + Q_{\ell m} \left[\tilde{A}_{\ell-1 m}^{(I)} + (\ell-1) B_{\ell-1 m}^{(I)} \right] + Q_{\ell+1 m} \left[\tilde{A}_{\ell+1 m}^{(I)} - (\ell+2) B_{\ell+1 m}^{(I)} \right] = 0$$

- The system of ODEs has the **general form**:

$$A_{\ell m} + \tilde{a} m \bar{A}_{\ell m} + \tilde{a} (Q_{\ell m} \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell-1 m} + Q_{\ell+1 m} \tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell+1 m}) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\ell m} + \tilde{a} m \bar{\mathcal{P}}_{\ell m} + \tilde{a} (Q_{\ell m} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell-1 m} + Q_{\ell+1 m} \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{\ell+1 m}) = 0$$

Proca in SR Kerr. Field equations

- **Polar** and **axial** sector are **coupled**:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\mathcal{D}}_2 u_{(2)}^\ell - \frac{2F}{r^2} \left(1 - \frac{3M}{r}\right) [u_{(2)}^\ell - u_{(3)}^\ell] &= \\
 &= \frac{2\tilde{a}M^2 m}{\Lambda r^5 \omega} \left[\Lambda (2r^2 \omega^2 + 3F^2) u_{(2)}^\ell + 3F \left(r\Lambda F u'_{(2)}{}^\ell - (r^2 \omega^2 + \Lambda F) u_{(3)}^\ell \right) \right] \\
 &\quad - \frac{6i\tilde{a}M^2 F \omega}{\Lambda r^3} \left[(\ell + 1) \mathcal{Q}_{\ell m} u_{(4)}^{\ell-1} - \ell \mathcal{Q}_{\ell+1 m} u_{(4)}^{\ell+1} \right] \\
 \hat{\mathcal{D}}_2 u_{(3)}^\ell + \frac{2F\Lambda}{r^2} u_{(2)}^\ell &= \frac{2\tilde{a}M^2 m}{r^5 \omega} \left[2r^2 \omega^2 u_{(3)}^\ell + 3rF^2 u'_{(3)}{}^\ell - 3(\Lambda + r^2 \mu^2) F u_{(2)}^\ell \right] \\
 \hat{\mathcal{D}}_2 u_{(4)}^\ell - \frac{4\tilde{a}M^2 m \omega}{r^3} u_{(4)}^\ell &= -\frac{6i\tilde{a}M^2 F}{r^5 \omega} \left[(\ell + 1) \mathcal{Q}_{\ell m} \psi^{\ell-1} - \ell \mathcal{Q}_{\ell+1 m} \psi^{\ell+1} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

- Where we have used the Lorenz condition and defined:

$$\hat{\mathcal{D}}_2 = \frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - F \left[\frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2} + \mu^2 \right], \quad \psi^\ell = (\Lambda + r^2 \mu^2) u_{(2)}^\ell - (r - 2M) u'_{(3)}{}^\ell$$

Proca in SR Kerr. Field eqs. at second order

- System of second order ODEs:

$$\mathcal{D}_A \Psi_A^\ell + V_A \Psi_A^\ell = 0$$

$$\mathcal{D}_P \Psi_P^\ell + V_P \Psi_P^\ell = 0$$

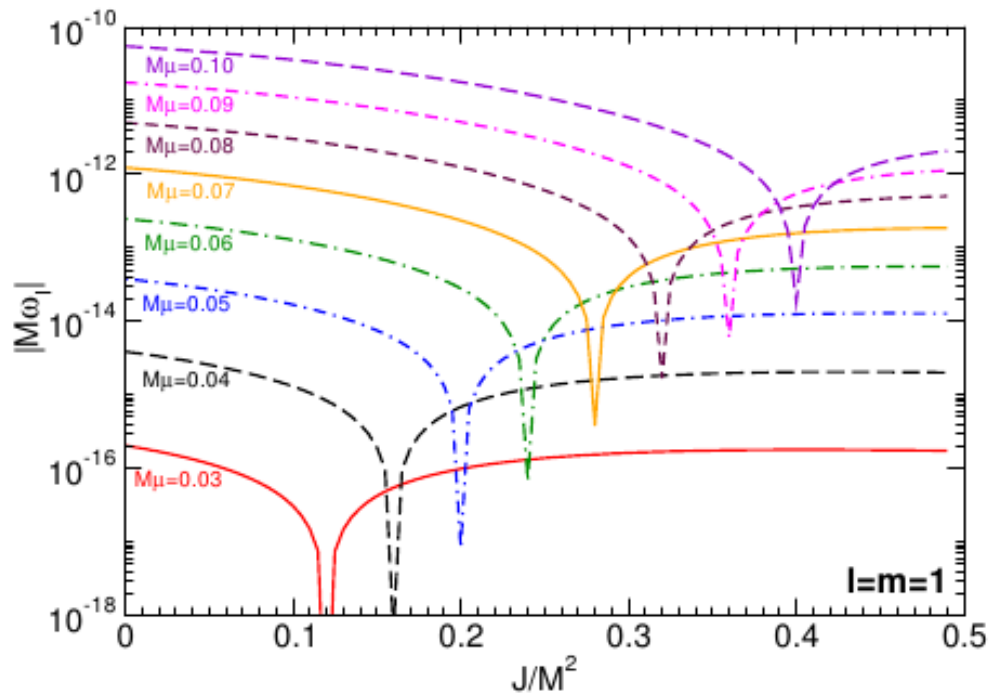
$$\Psi_A = (u_{(4)}^\ell, u_{(2)}^{\ell\pm 1}, u_{(3)}^{\ell\pm 1}, u_{(4)}^{\ell\pm 2})$$

$$\Psi_P = (u_{(2)}^\ell, u_{(3)}^\ell, u_{(4)}^{\ell\pm 1}, u_{(2)}^{\ell\pm 2}, u_{(3)}^{\ell\pm 2})$$

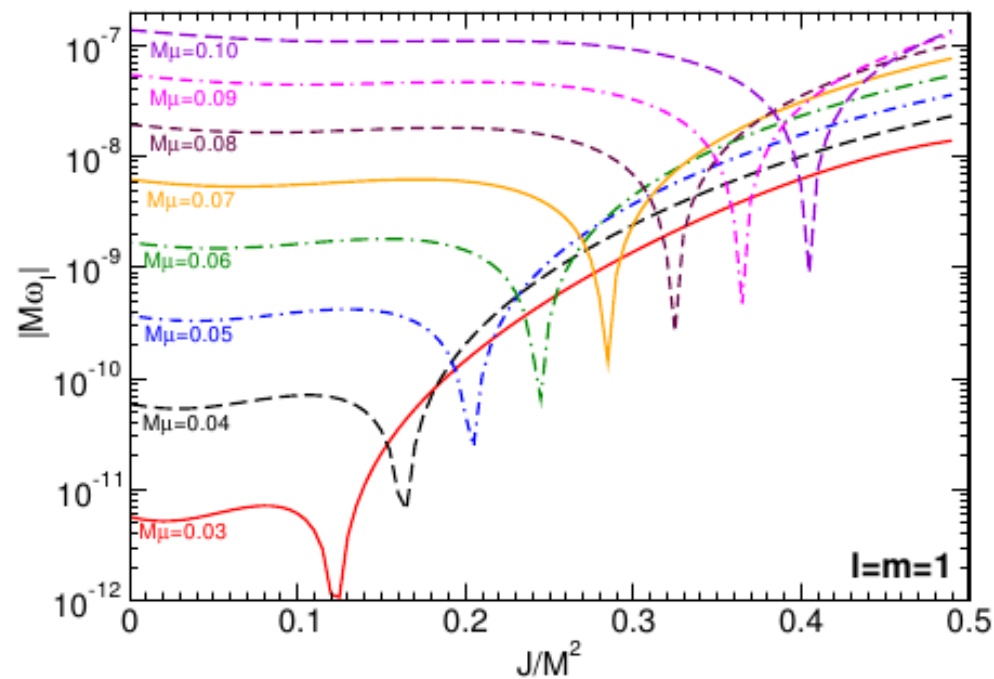
- **Near-horizon behavior:** $u_{(i)} \sim e^{-ik_H r_*}$ $k_H \sim \underbrace{\omega - m\Omega_H}_{\text{Superradiance}} \simeq \omega - \frac{m\tilde{a}}{4M} + \mathcal{O}(\tilde{a}^3)$

Proca in SR Kerr. Results

Axial modes ($S=0$)



Polar modes ($S=+1,-1$)



- Small mass limit:

$$\omega_R \sim \mu - \frac{\mu(M\mu)^2}{2(\ell + n + S + 1)}$$

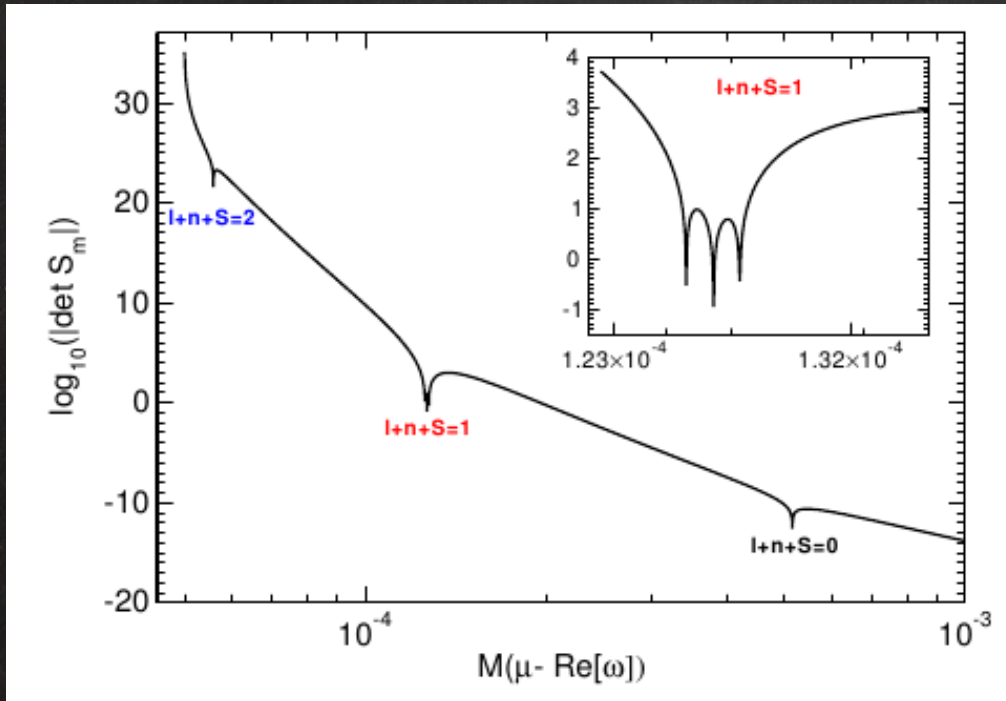
[Rosa & Dolan 2011]

$$M\omega_I \sim \gamma_{S\ell} (\tilde{a}m - 2r_+ \mu) (M\mu)^{4\ell+5+2S}$$

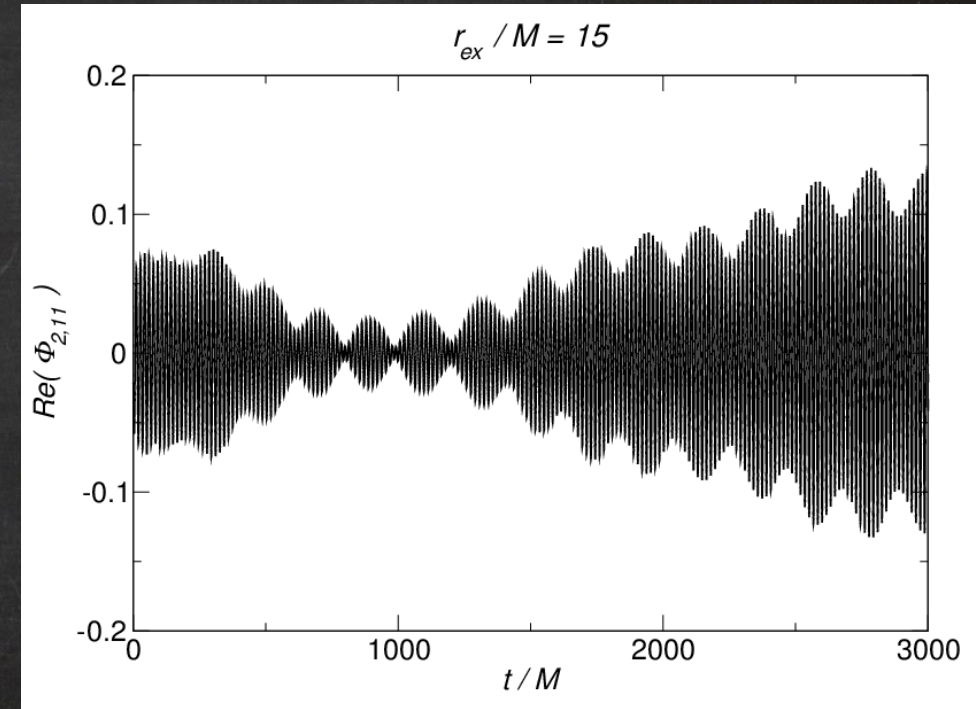
Proca in SR Kerr. Fully coupled system

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Breit-Wigner resonances



Confirmed by numerical simulations
[Witek et al., in preparation]

Proca in SR Kerr. Analytical results

- In the axial case → **master equation** (scalar → **s=0**, axial vector → **s=1**)

$$\frac{d^2 \Psi}{dr_*^2} + \left[\omega^2 - \frac{2m\varpi(r)\omega}{r^2} - F \left(\frac{\Lambda}{r^2} + \mu^2 + (1-s^2) \left\{ \frac{B'}{2r} + \frac{BF'}{2rF} \right\} \right) \right] \Psi = 0$$

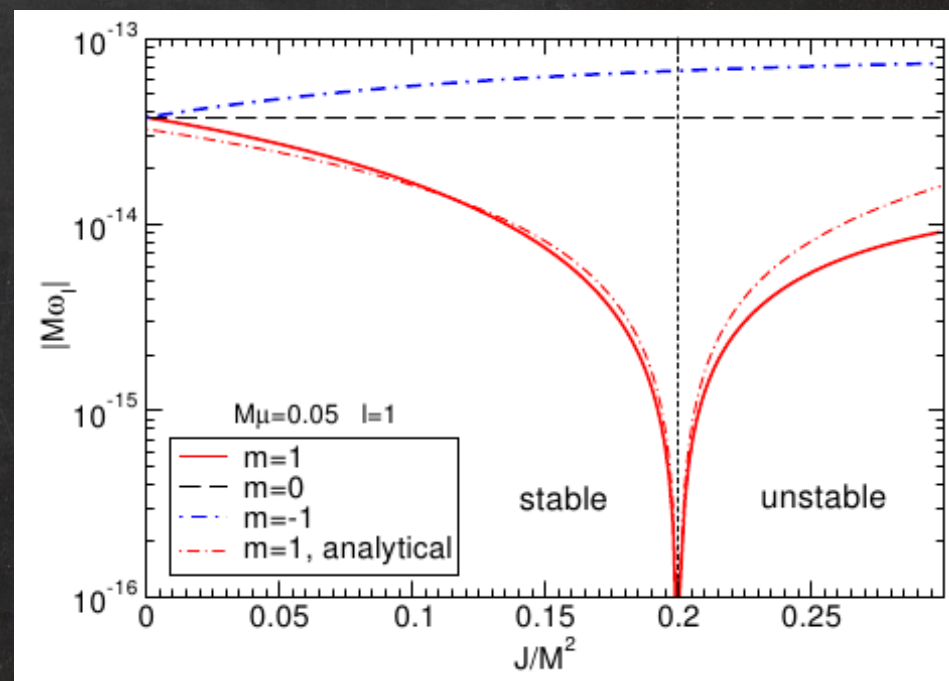
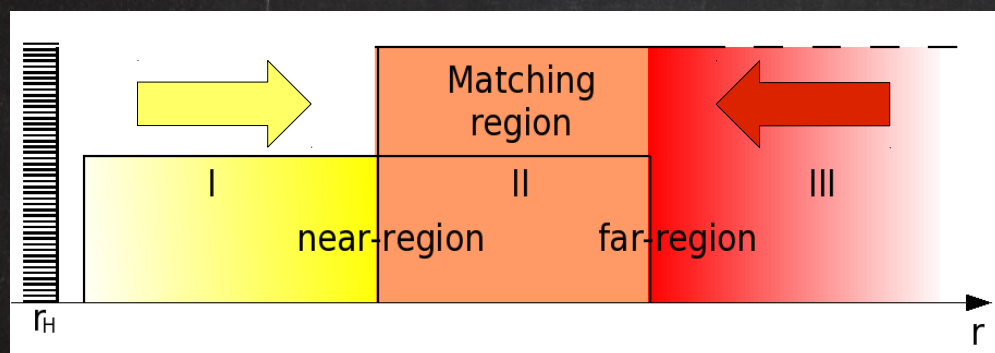
$$ds_0^2 = g_{\mu\nu}^{(0)} dx^\mu dx^\nu = -F(r)dt^2 + B(r)^{-1}dr^2 + r^2 d^2\Omega - 2\varpi(r) \sin^2 \theta d\varphi dt$$

- Suitable for analytical methods

- Matching asymptotics

[Starobisky 1973]

[Detweiler 1980]



$$M\omega_I \sim \gamma_{sl} (\tilde{a}m - 2r_+ \mu) (M\mu)^{4\ell+5}$$

Part III

Astrophysical consequences of the Proca instability

Proca instability

- Can we **extrapolate** these results to higher rotation?

- **Scalar case (l=1)** $M\omega_I \sim \frac{1}{48} (\tilde{a}m - 2r_+\mu) (M\mu)^9$

[Dolan 2007]

TABLE III. Maximum instability growth rates of the $l = 1, m = 1$ state.

a	0.7	0.8	0.9	0.95	0.98	0.99
μ	0.187	0.231	0.293	0.343	0.393	0.421
τ^{-1}	3.33×10^{-10}	2.16×10^{-9}	1.55×10^{-8}	4.88×10^{-8}	1.11×10^{-7}	1.50×10^{-7}
	3.43×10^{-10}	2.37×10^{-9}	1.94×10^{-8}	6.82×10^{-8}	1.75×10^{-7}	2.53×10^{-7}

- **Extrapolation** should provide an **order of magnitude** for the instability

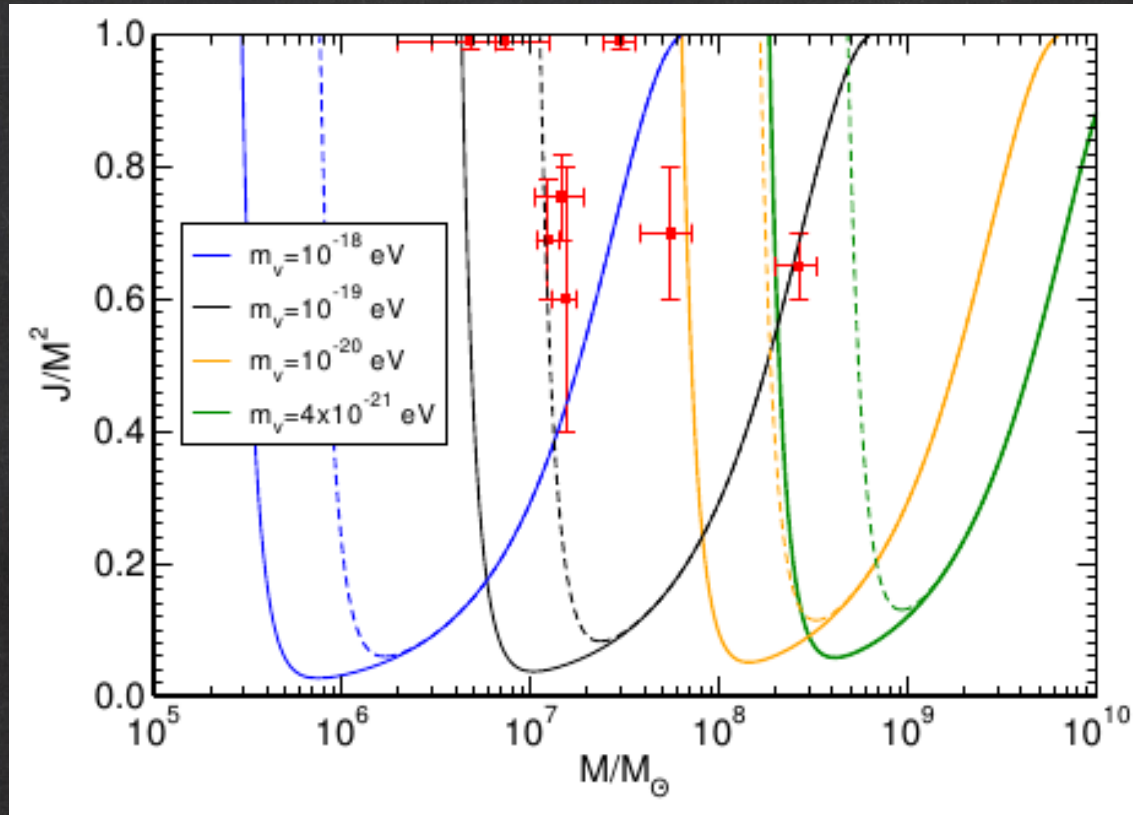
- **Proca case:** $M\omega_I \sim \gamma_{S\ell} (\tilde{a}m - 2r_+\mu) (M\mu)^{4\ell+5+2S}$

- **Stronger instability when $S = -1$ and $l=1$:**

$$\tau_{\text{vector}} = \omega_I^{-1} \sim \frac{M(M\mu)^{-7}}{\gamma_{-11}(\tilde{a} - 2\mu r_+)}$$

Proca instability. Regge plane

- Instability is effective roughly for **any non-vanishing spin!**

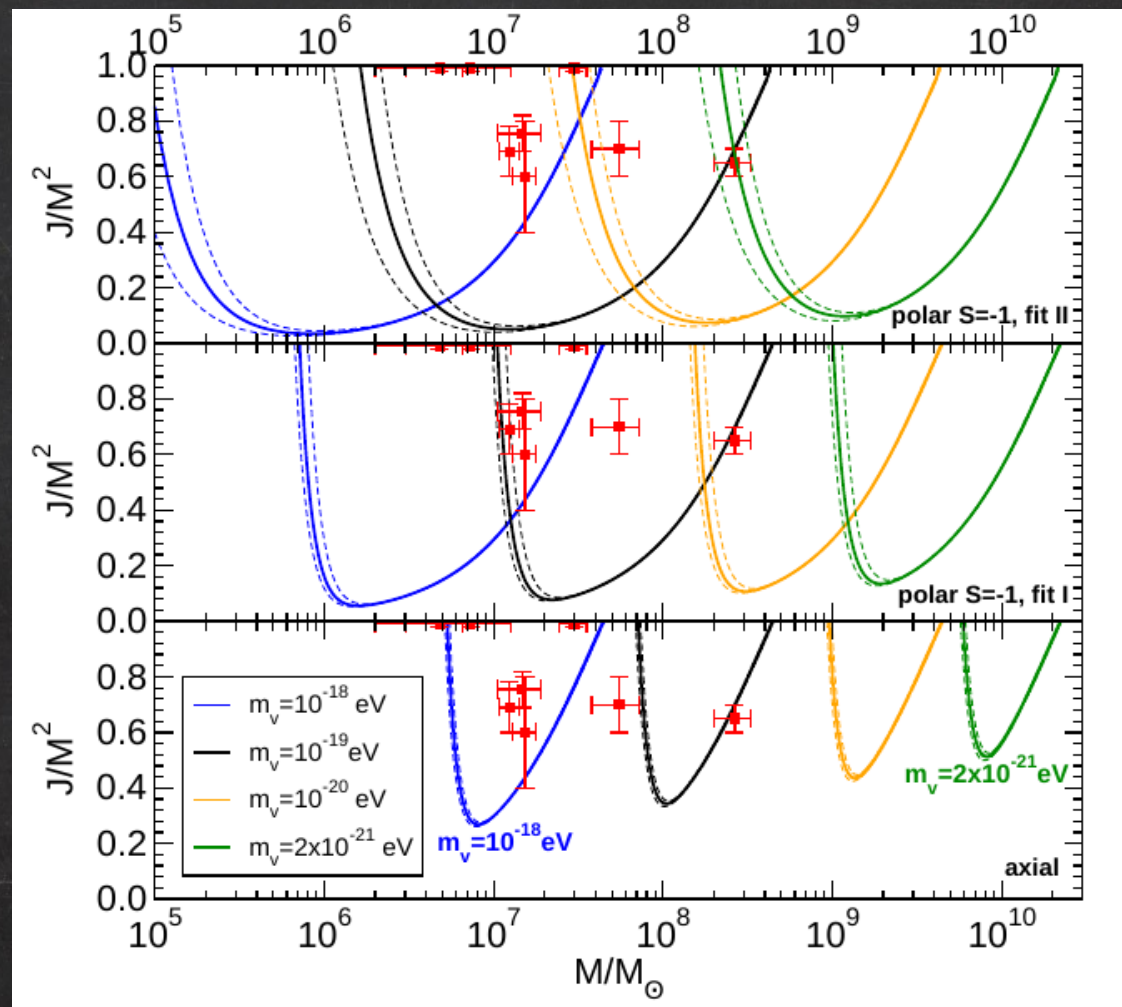


[Data taken from
Brenneman et. al 2011]

- Current bound on the photon mass [from PDG] $\rightarrow m_\gamma < 10^{-18}$ eV
- Depend **very mildly** on the fit coefficient and on the threshold

Proca instability

- Not strongly dependent on the **timescale** nor on **type of mode**



- From the existence of spinning BHs $\rightarrow 10^{-21} \text{ eV} \lesssim m_{\nu} \lesssim 10^{-17} \text{ eV}$

Proca instability. Limitations

- **Nonlinear effects:**
 - Photon self-interaction is very weak → gradual slow down
 - Might be important for exotic fields
- **Accretion disk**
 - Hidden U(1) fields are weakly coupled to matter
 - Might be relevant for massive photons, but
 - Superradiant mode are **coherent** and $\lambda \sim$ BH size
 - Disks are charge neutral and **matter coupling incoherent**
 - **Equatorial** disks can at most quench some unstable modes

Part IV
QNMs of
Kerr-Newman BHs

Kerr-Newman BHs



- **Most general** rotating solution in GR
- **Gravitational and EM perturbations are coupled** → not separable?
[Berti & Kokkotas 2004]
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$$\hat{D}Z_i = V_0^{(i)} Z_i$$

Zeroth order (i=1,2)

$$\hat{D} = \frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - F \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2}$$

$$F(r) = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} + \frac{Q^2}{r^2}$$

Kerr-Newman BHs



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 - Axial sector and polar sector (isospectrality?)

$$\hat{D}Z_i = V_0^{(i)} Z_i + m\tilde{a} \left[V_1^{(i)} Z_i + V_2^{(i)} Z'_i \right] + m\tilde{a}Q^2 \left[W_1^{(i)} Z_j + W_2^{(i)} Z'_j \right]$$

Zeroth order (i=1,2) 1st order: Zeeman effect 1st order: coupling between i and j

$$\hat{D} = \frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - F \frac{\ell(\ell+1)}{r^2}$$

$$F(r) = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} + \frac{Q^2}{r^2}$$

Conclusion & Extensions

- **Perturbation theory of rotating objects is challenging**
- **Slowly-rotating approximation: general method**
- **Spinning BHs as labs** for exotic particles and modified gravity
- **Proca perturbations of Kerr BHs in GR**
 - **Strong (est?) instability**
 - **Bounds on the photon mass, Hidden U(1) sector**
- **Extensions**
 - **BHs in alternative theories (Chern-Simons, Gauss-Bonnet)**
 - **Kerr-Newman, higher dimensions, stellar r-modes, ...**

[Yunes & Pretorius 2009]

[Pani et al. 2011]

[Yagi, Yunes, Tanaka 2012]

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 $\mu\nu G_{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu}$

Calls for bloggers now open!



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Backup slides

*"Nothing is More Necessary
than the Unnecessary"*



- **Curiosity: similar bounds for the graviton?** → probably not! ($S = -2, l = 2$)

$$M\omega_I \sim \gamma_{S\ell} (\tilde{a}m - 2r_+ \mu) (M\mu)^{4\ell+5+2S}$$

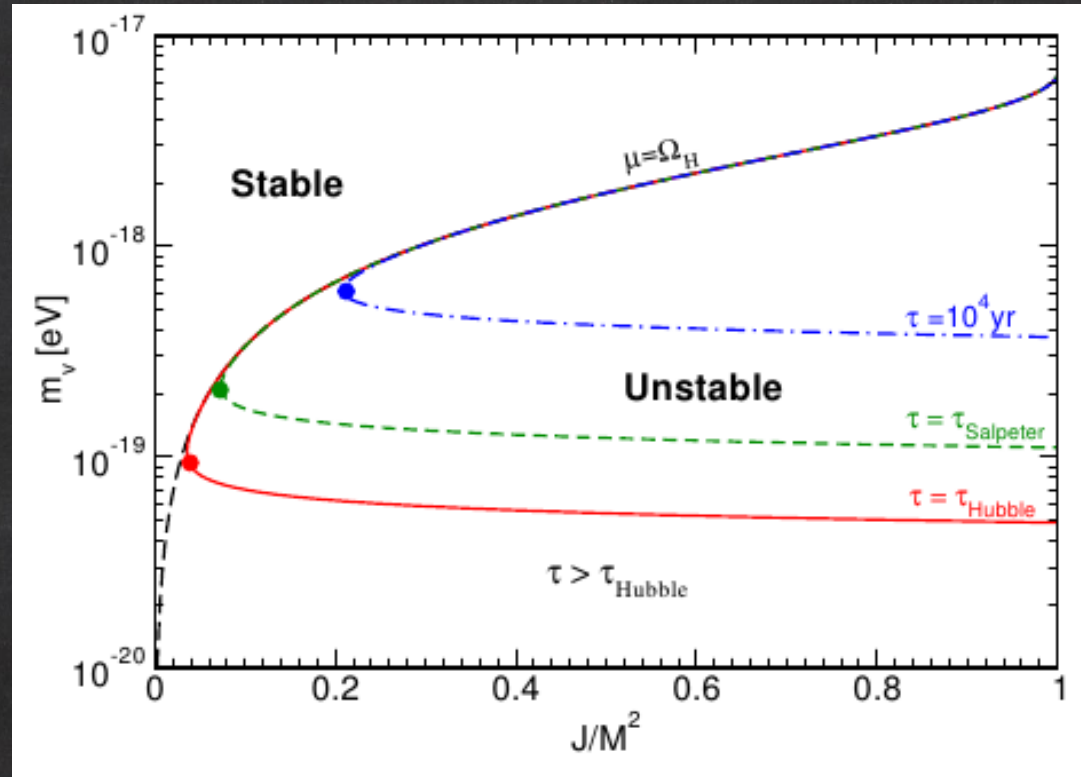
Proca in SR Kerr. Field equations

- In Proca theory, the **monopole (l=0,m=0)** is dynamical:

$$\left[\frac{d^2}{dr_*^2} + \omega^2 - F \left(\frac{2(r-3M)}{r^3} + \mu^2 \right) \right] u_{(2)}^{00} = \underbrace{\frac{2i\sqrt{3}\tilde{a}M^2\omega F}{r^3} u_{(4)}^{10}}_{\text{Propensity rule } (Q_{00} = 0)}$$

- m=0 → **no corrections** at first order! Same modes as in Schwarzschild [Rosa & Dolan 2011]
 - Modes can be labelled by the **total angular momentum** → $j=l+S$
 - **Axial** → $S=0$
 - **Polar** → $S=+1, S=-1$
 - **Monopole** → $S=+1$
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Proca instability



$$m_\nu^{(c)} = \hbar \mu^{(c)} \sim \frac{7.055 \times 10^{-20}}{\gamma_{-11}^{1/7}} \left[\frac{10^7 M_\odot}{M} \right]^{6/7} \text{ eV}$$

- Depend **very mildly** on the fit coefficient and on the threshold
- τ_{Salpater} → timescale for accretion at the Eddington limit



$\mathcal{O}(\nu^2)$

$\mathcal{O}(\nu^3)$

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Method. Perturbations of slowly rotating BHs

- At first order in the rotation, the couplings can be neglected:

$$A_{lm} + \tilde{a}m\bar{A}_{lm} + \tilde{a}(Q_{lm}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{l-1m} + Q_{l+1m}\tilde{\mathcal{P}}_{l+1m}) = 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{lm} + \tilde{a}m\bar{\mathcal{P}}_{lm} + \tilde{a}(Q_{lm}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{l-1m} + Q_{l+1m}\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{l+1m}) = 0$$

$$Q_{lm} = \sqrt{\frac{l^2 - m^2}{4l^2 - 1}}$$

- **Symmetry of the equations**

$$a_{lm} \rightarrow \mp a_{l-m}, \quad p_{lm} \rightarrow \pm p_{l-m}, \quad \tilde{a} \rightarrow -\tilde{a}, \quad m \rightarrow -m$$

- **Eigenfrequency**

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \tilde{a}m\omega_1 + \mathcal{O}(\tilde{a}^2)$$

- **“Decoupled” equations:**

$$A_{lm} + \tilde{a}m\bar{A}_{lm} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{lm} + \tilde{a}m\bar{\mathcal{P}}_{lm} = 0$$

EMRIs: imprints of light scalars

$$[\square - \mu_s^2] \varphi = \alpha \mathcal{T} \implies \frac{d^2 \Psi_{lm}(\omega, r)}{dr_*^2} + V(\omega, r) \Psi_{lm}(\omega, r) = \mathcal{T}_{lm}(\omega, r)$$

Suitable for analytical computation in the small mass limit

$$\dot{E}_S^{\text{resonance}} \sim -\mu_s^{1-4l/3} \sim -v^{-4l+3}$$

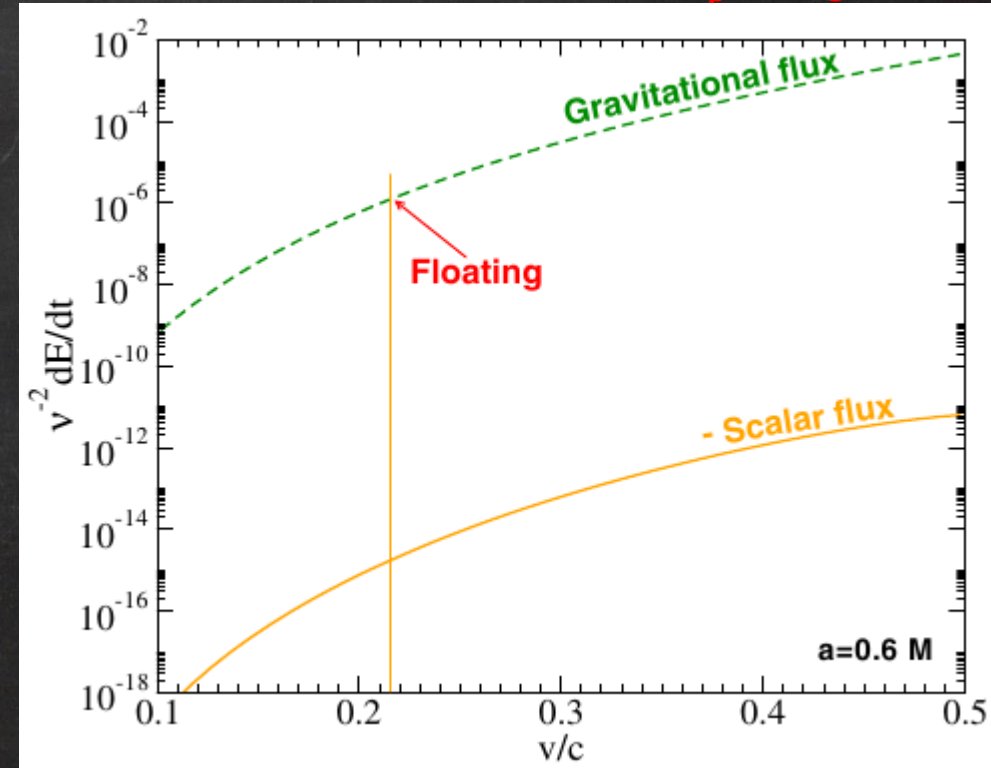
Floating orbit at $\Omega_p \sim \mu_s$

$$dE_p/dt = -\dot{E}_{\text{total}} = -(\dot{E}_S + \dot{E}_G)$$

$$\text{if } \dot{E}_S = -\dot{E}_G \implies \dot{E}_p = 0$$

$$\Omega_{\text{res}} = \mu_s \left[1 - \left(\frac{\mu_s M}{l+1+n} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\Delta\Omega \sim \frac{1}{12M} (\mu_s M)^9 (q - 2r_+ \mu_s)$$

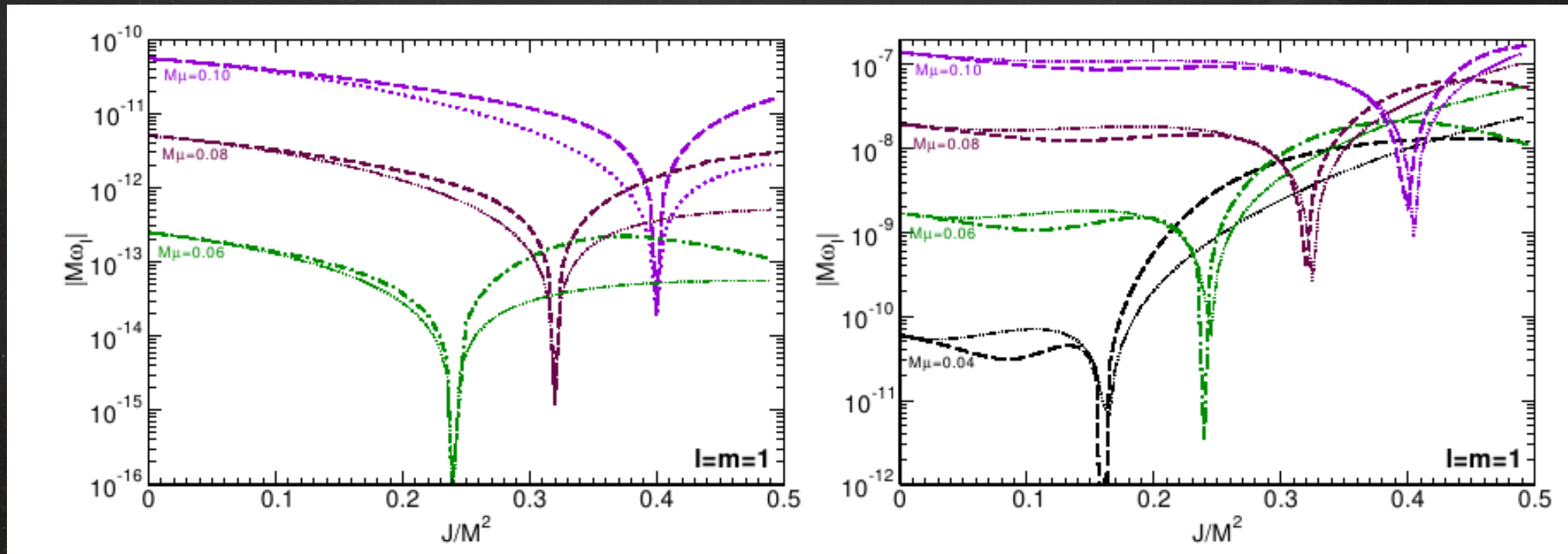


Quite generic effect \rightarrow only needs a rotating BH and a light scalar

Proca in SR Kerr. Results (second order)

Axial modes ($S=0$)

Polar modes ($S=+1,-1$)



- Small mass limit:

$$\omega_R \sim \mu - \frac{\mu(M\mu)^2}{2(\ell + n + S + 1)}$$

$$M\omega_I \sim \gamma_{S\ell} (\tilde{a}m - 2r_+ \mu) (M\mu)^{4\ell+5+2S}$$

Proca in slowly-rotating Kerr

- Proca equations can be written as

$$\delta\Pi_t \equiv (A_{lm}^{(0)} + \tilde{A}_{lm}^{(0)} \cos\vartheta) Y^{\ell m} + B_{lm}^{(0)} \sin\vartheta \partial_\vartheta Y^{\ell m} = 0$$

$$\delta\Pi_r \equiv (A_{lm}^{(1)} + \tilde{A}_{lm}^{(1)} \cos\vartheta) Y^{\ell m} + B_{lm}^{(1)} \sin\vartheta \partial_\vartheta Y^{\ell m} = 0$$

$$\delta\Pi_\vartheta \equiv \alpha_{lm} \partial_\vartheta Y^{\ell m} - im\beta_{lm} \frac{Y^{\ell m}}{\sin\vartheta} + \eta_{lm} \sin\vartheta Y^{\ell m} = 0$$

$$\frac{\delta\Pi_\varphi}{\sin\vartheta} \equiv \beta_{lm} \partial_\vartheta Y^{\ell m} + im\alpha_{lm} \frac{Y^{\ell m}}{\sin\vartheta} + \zeta_{lm} \sin\vartheta Y^{\ell m} = 0$$

- Lorenz condition can be written in the same form as {t} or {r} components
- All coefficients can be divided in **two sets**:

$$A_{lm}^{(I)}, \alpha_{lm}, \zeta_{lm}, \tilde{A}_{lm}^{(I)}, B_{lm}^{(I)}, \beta_{lm}, \eta_{lm}$$

Axial coefficients

Polar coefficients

***BH perturbations.** Symmetries matter*

- In **spherically symmetry** the field eqs. can be always separated
- If the background is **rotating**, separability is **not guaranteed!**
- **Teukolsky formalism**
 - Newman-Penrose tetrad formalism, Weyl scalars
 - Separability in Kerr is almost a **miracle!** (Petrov Type D)
- **Perturbations of generic rotating BHs are important:**
 - Astrophysical BHs are spinning
 - Coupling to matter
 - Stability (e.g. **superradiance**, **r-modes** in stars, **no-hair theorem**)

[Teukolsky ~ 1973]

[Teukolsky and Press]

[Chandra's book]

Second order formalism

- Particularly advantageous:

- Cauchy horizon, event horizons, ergosphere

$$r_+ = 2M \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{a}^2}{4} \right) \quad r_- = \frac{M\tilde{a}^2}{2} \quad r_{\text{ER}} = 2M \left(1 - \cos^2 \vartheta \frac{\tilde{a}^2}{4} \right)$$

- The superradiance regime is now consistent

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \tilde{a}m\omega_1 + \tilde{a}^2\omega_2 + \mathcal{O}(\tilde{a}^3)$$

Outline

- **BH superradiant instabilities**
- **Perturbations of slowly-rotating Bhs: general framework**
- **Proca instability of Kerr Bhs**
- **Extensions**