

Characterizing Gravitational Waves from the Hyperbolic Encounter of Two Black Holes

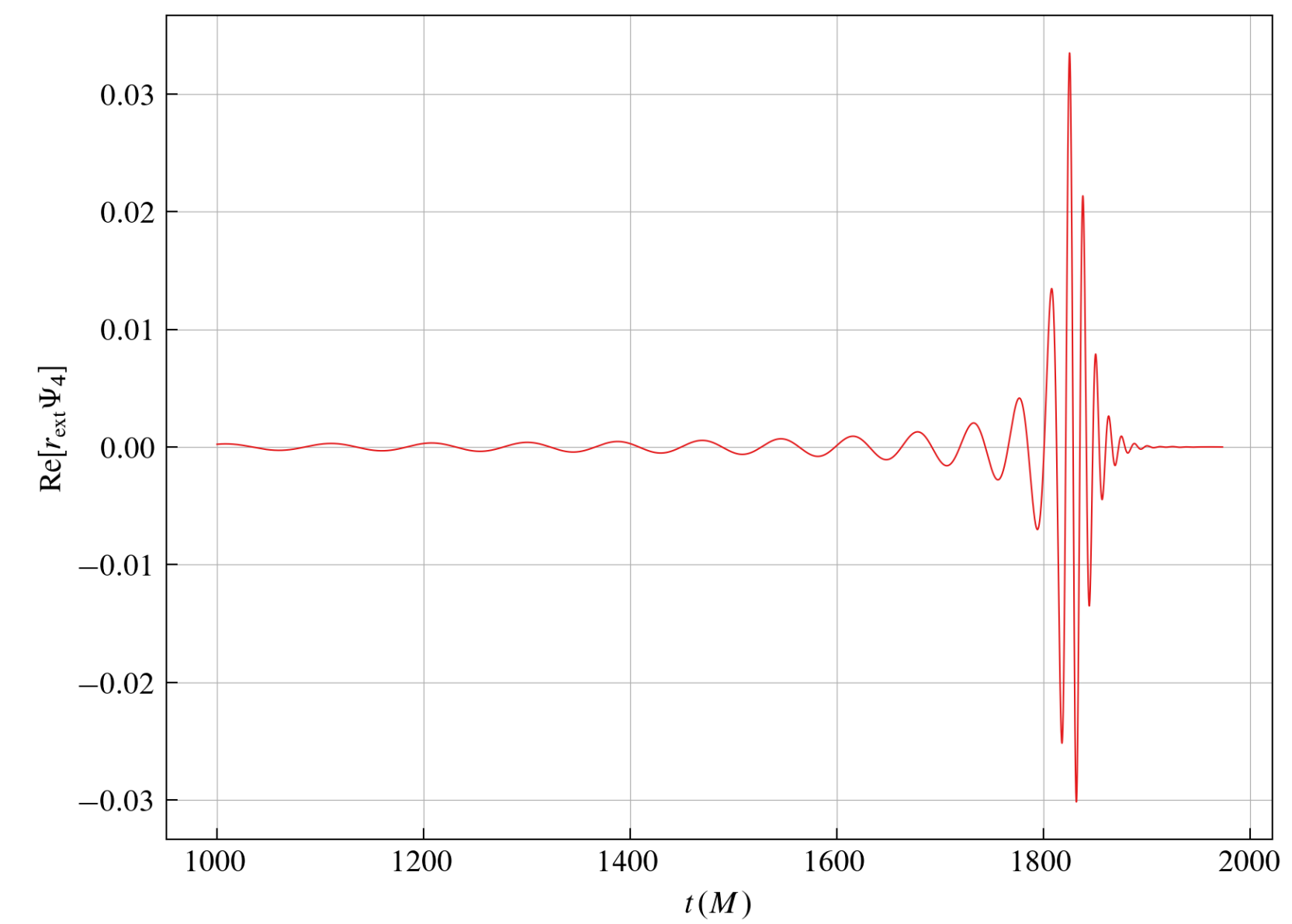
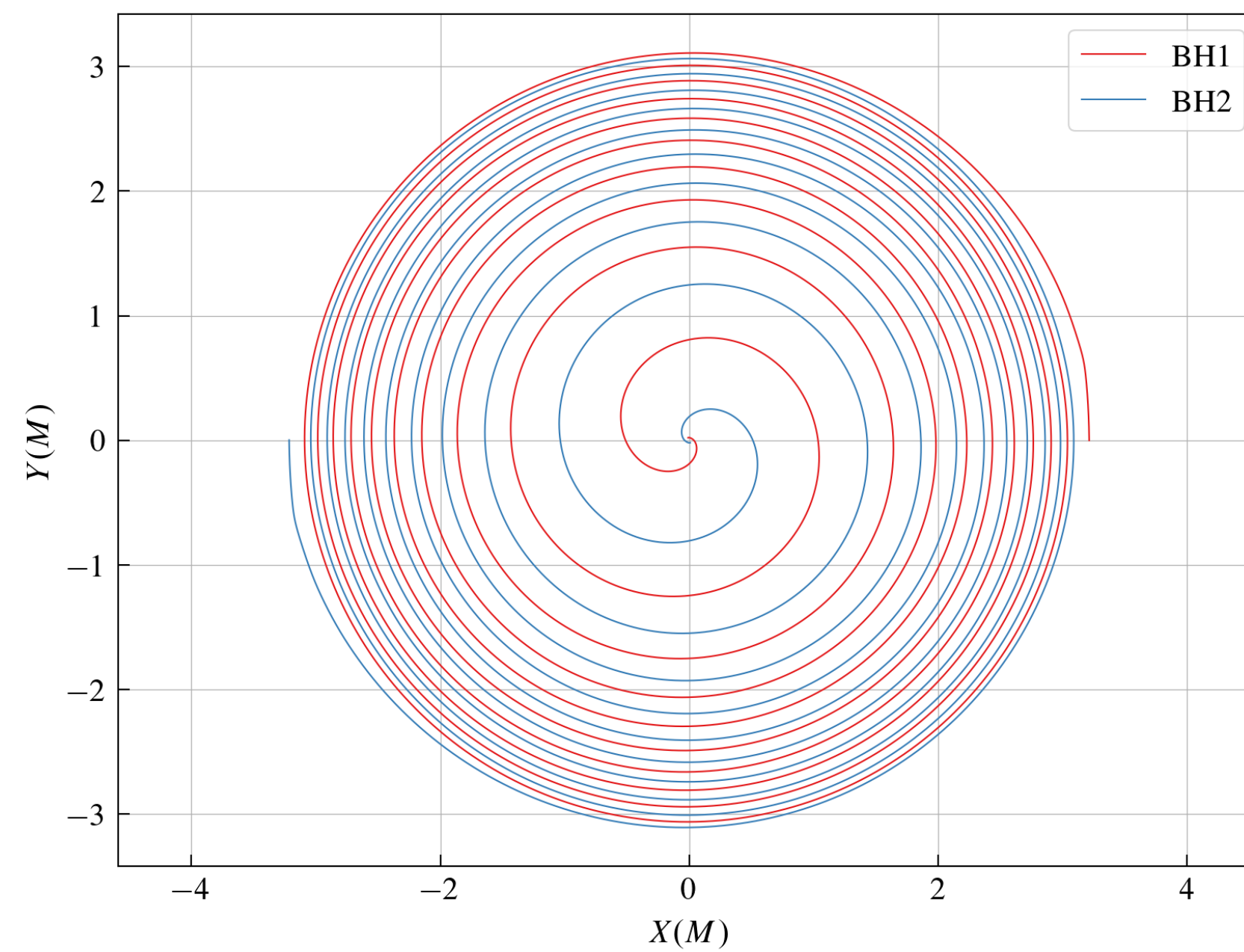
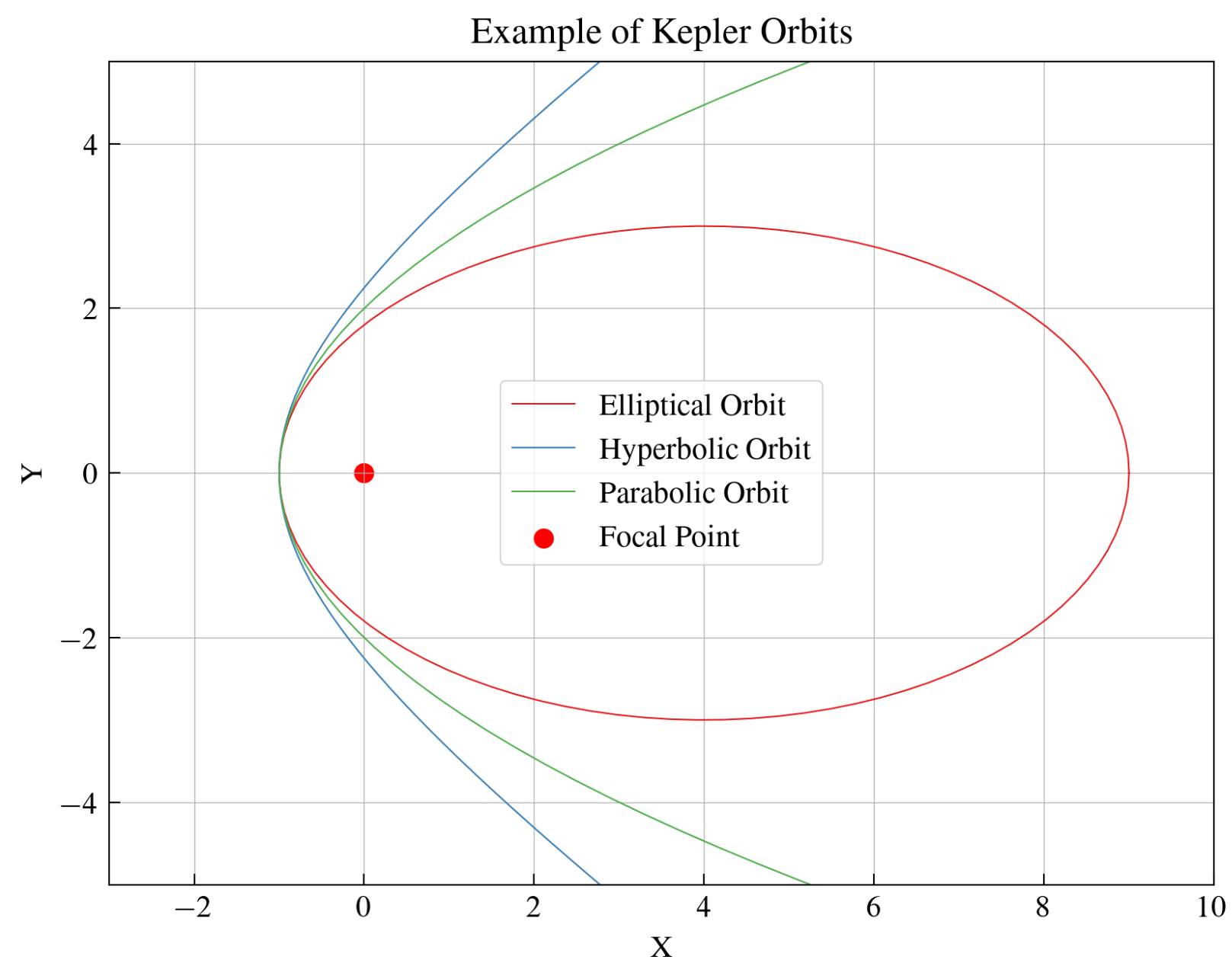
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Introduction

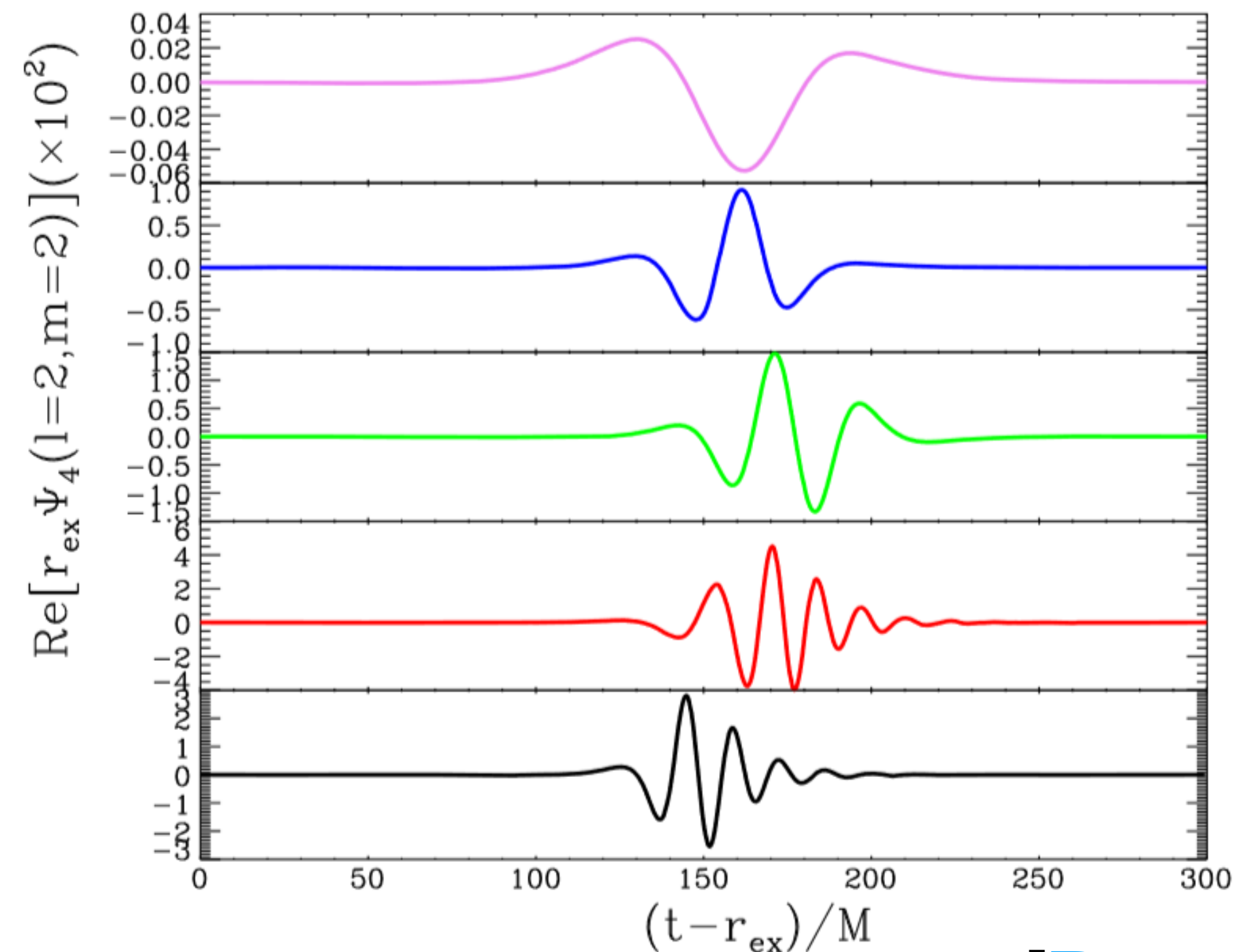
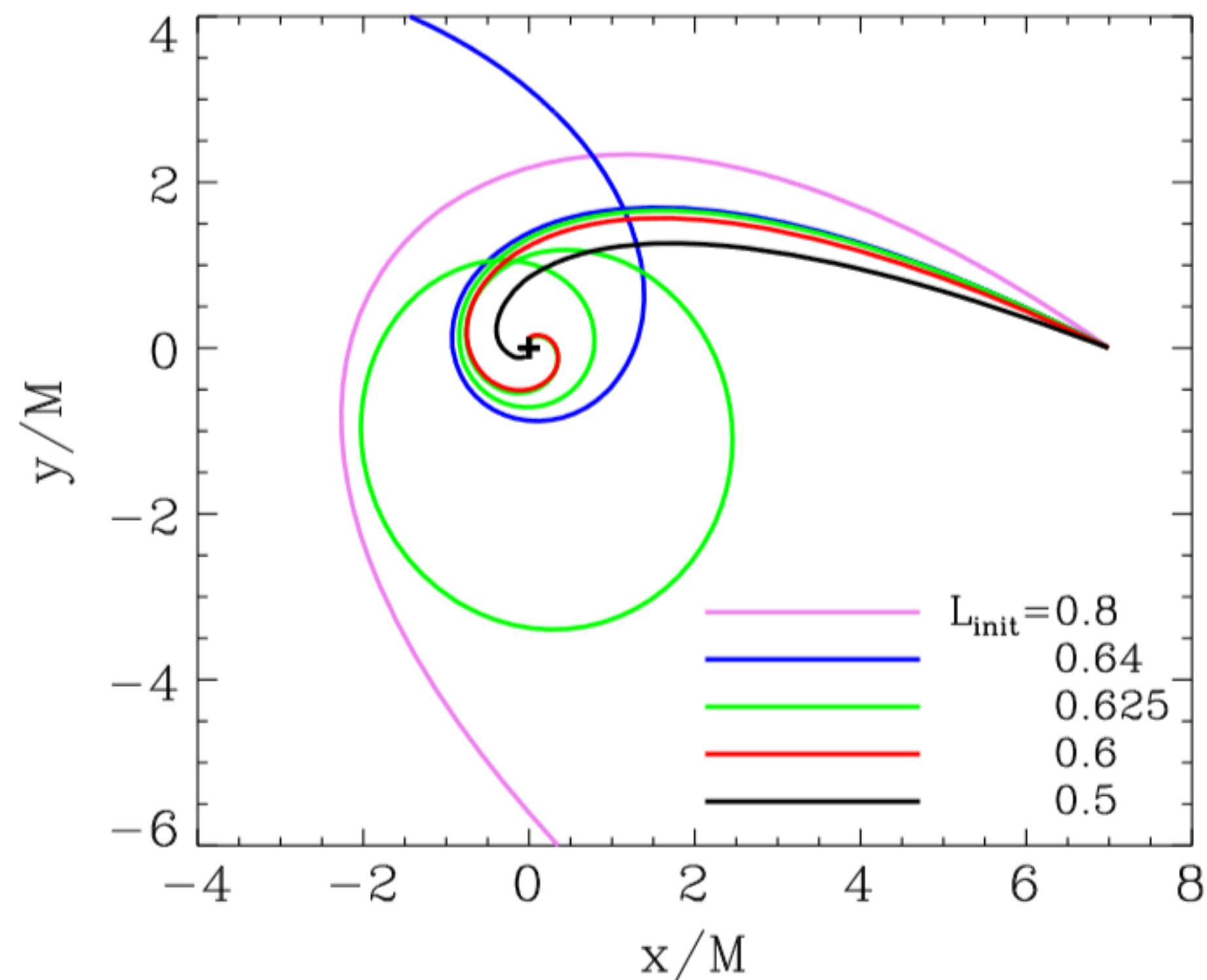
- There are various orbits depending on the eccentricity.



Studies on High-Eccentricity Orbits

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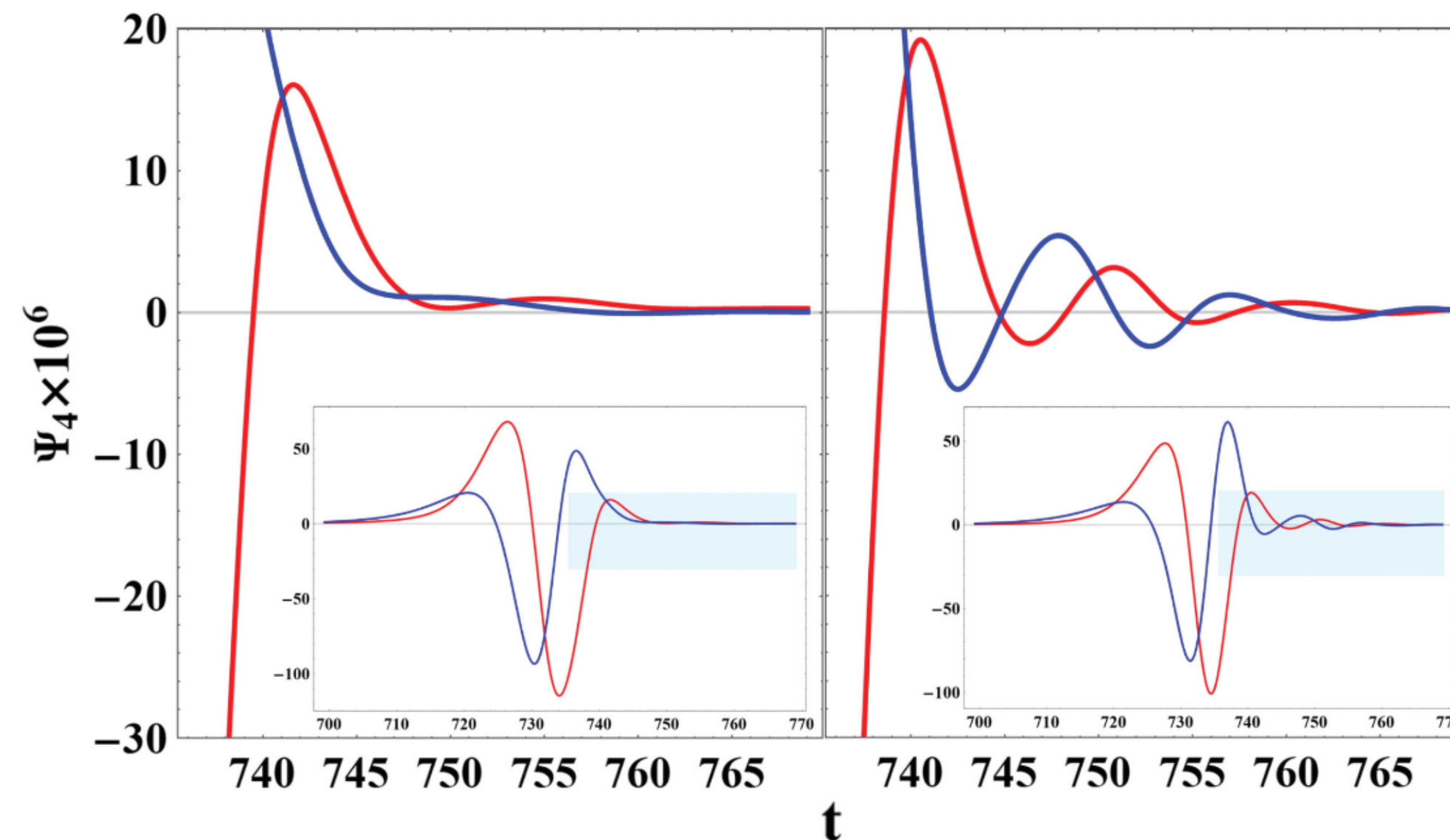
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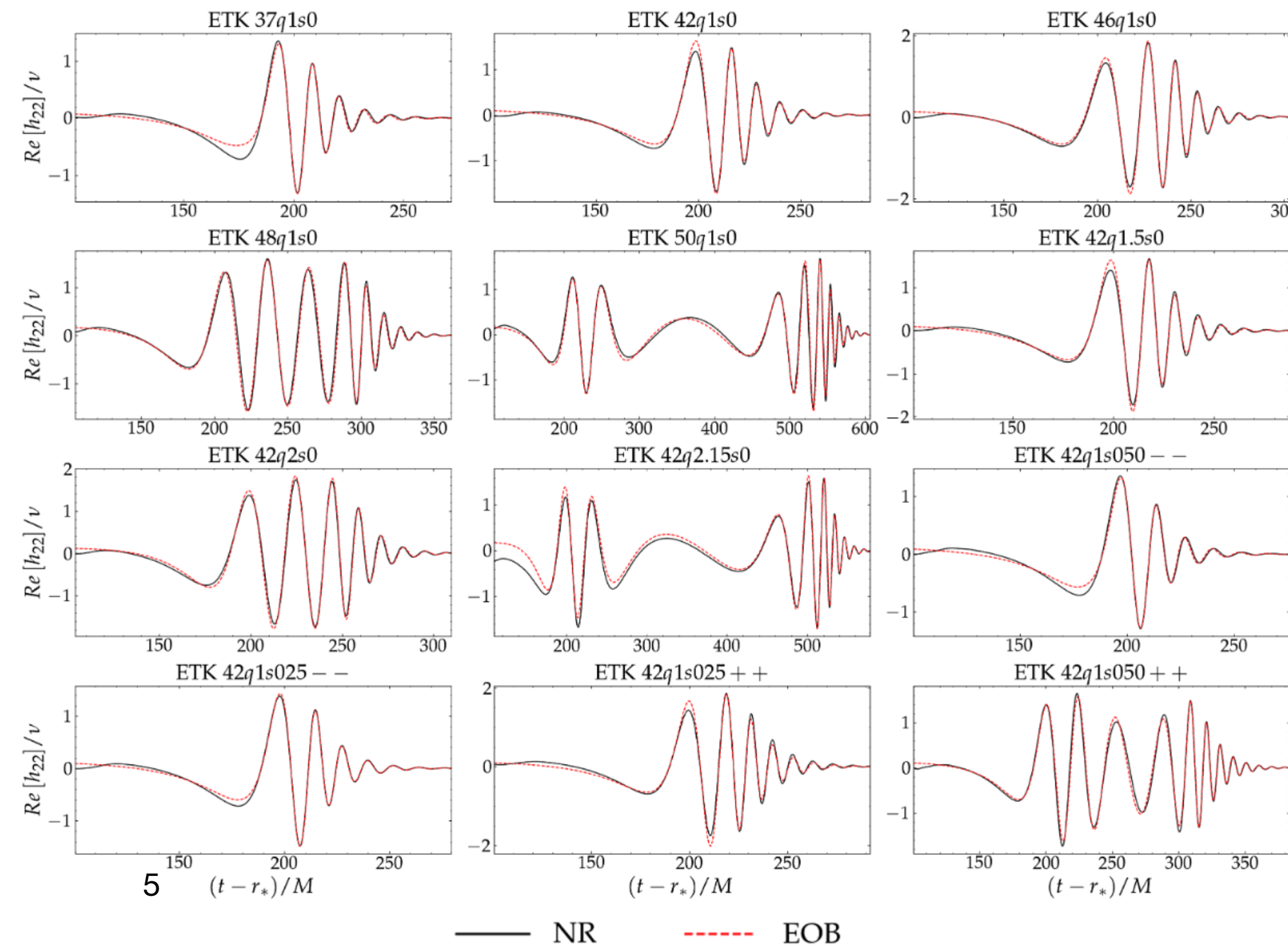


[[Bae et al. 2024](#)]

Studies on High-Eccentricity Orbits

Analytical Approach

- Studies on high-eccentricity orbits have been conducted using EOB [[Andrade et al. 2024](#)] or PN approximations [[Cho 2022](#)].
- However, as the eccentricity increases, the results deviate significantly from those obtained through NR.

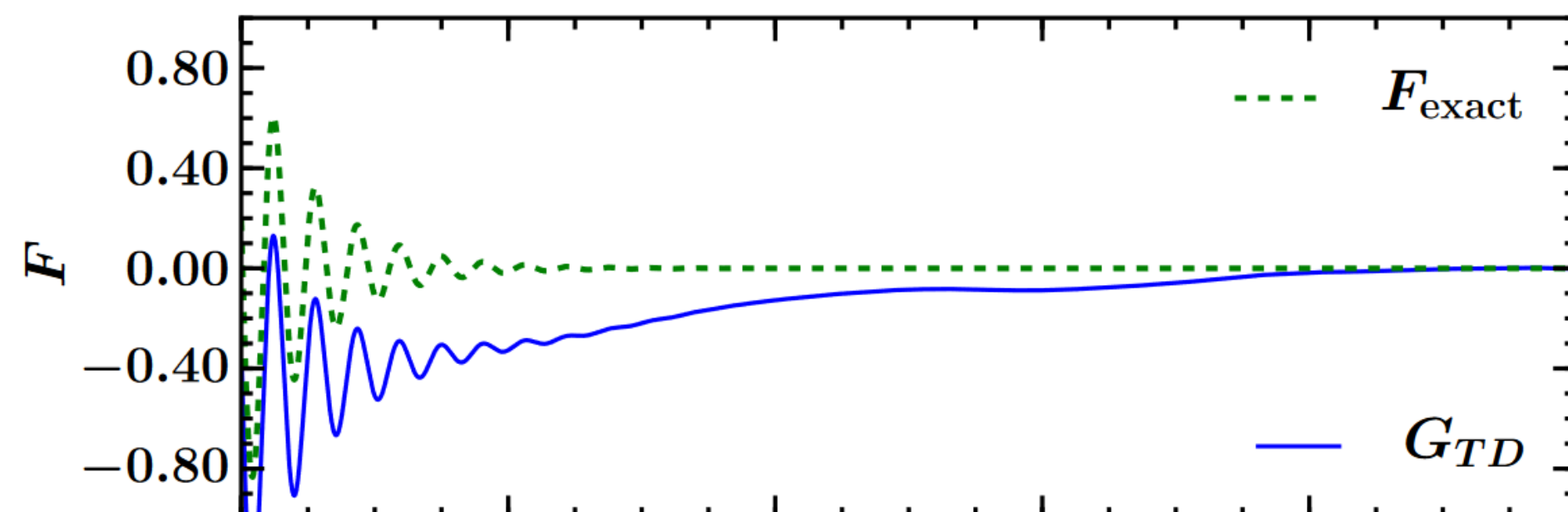


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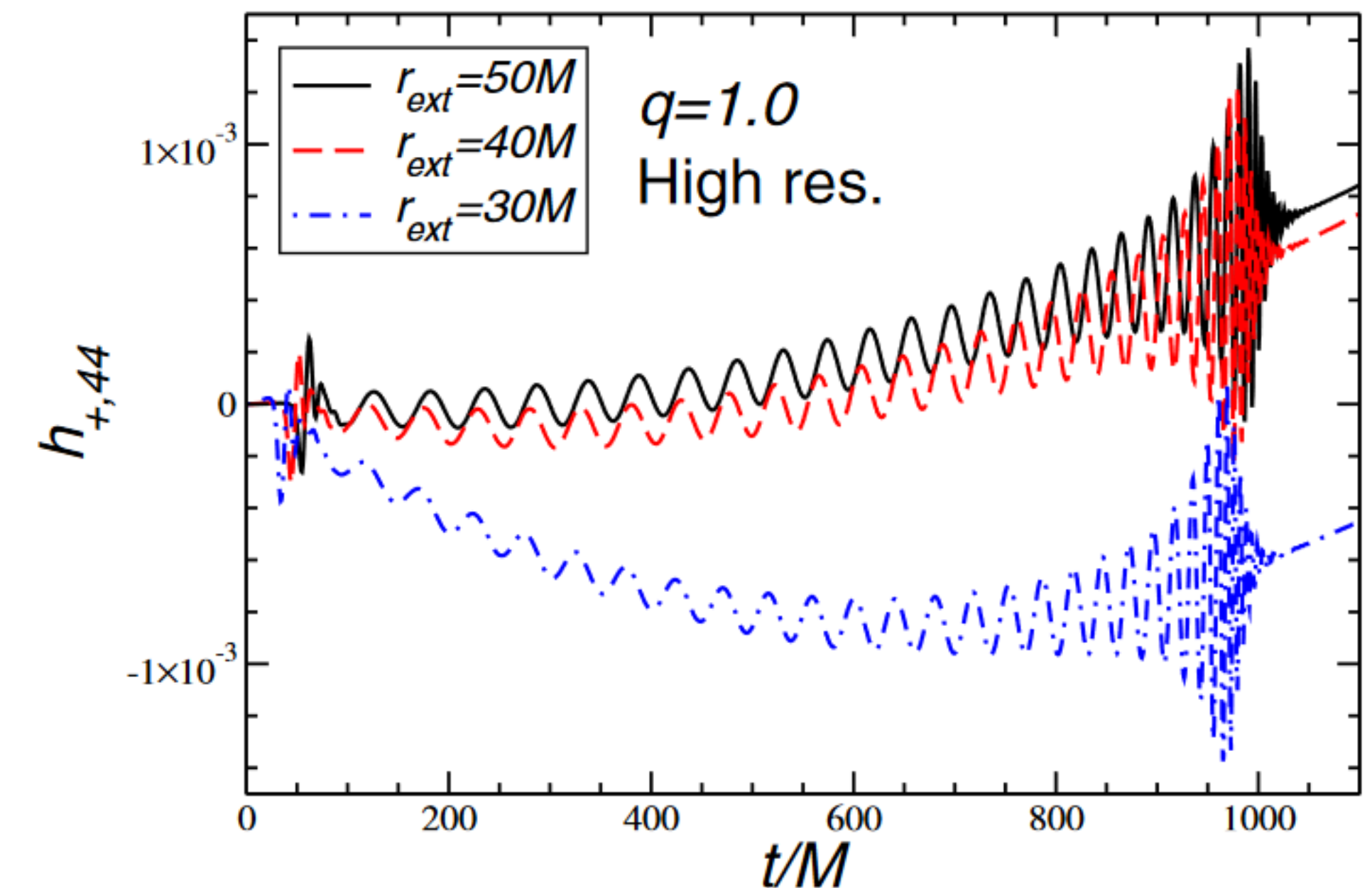
Integration of Gravitational Waveforms

Nonlinear Drift

- We numerically obtain the values for \ddot{h} , and by integrating these values, we can calculate the GW strain h .
- During this process, nonlinear drift occurs.



[\[Reisswig et al. 2011\]](#)

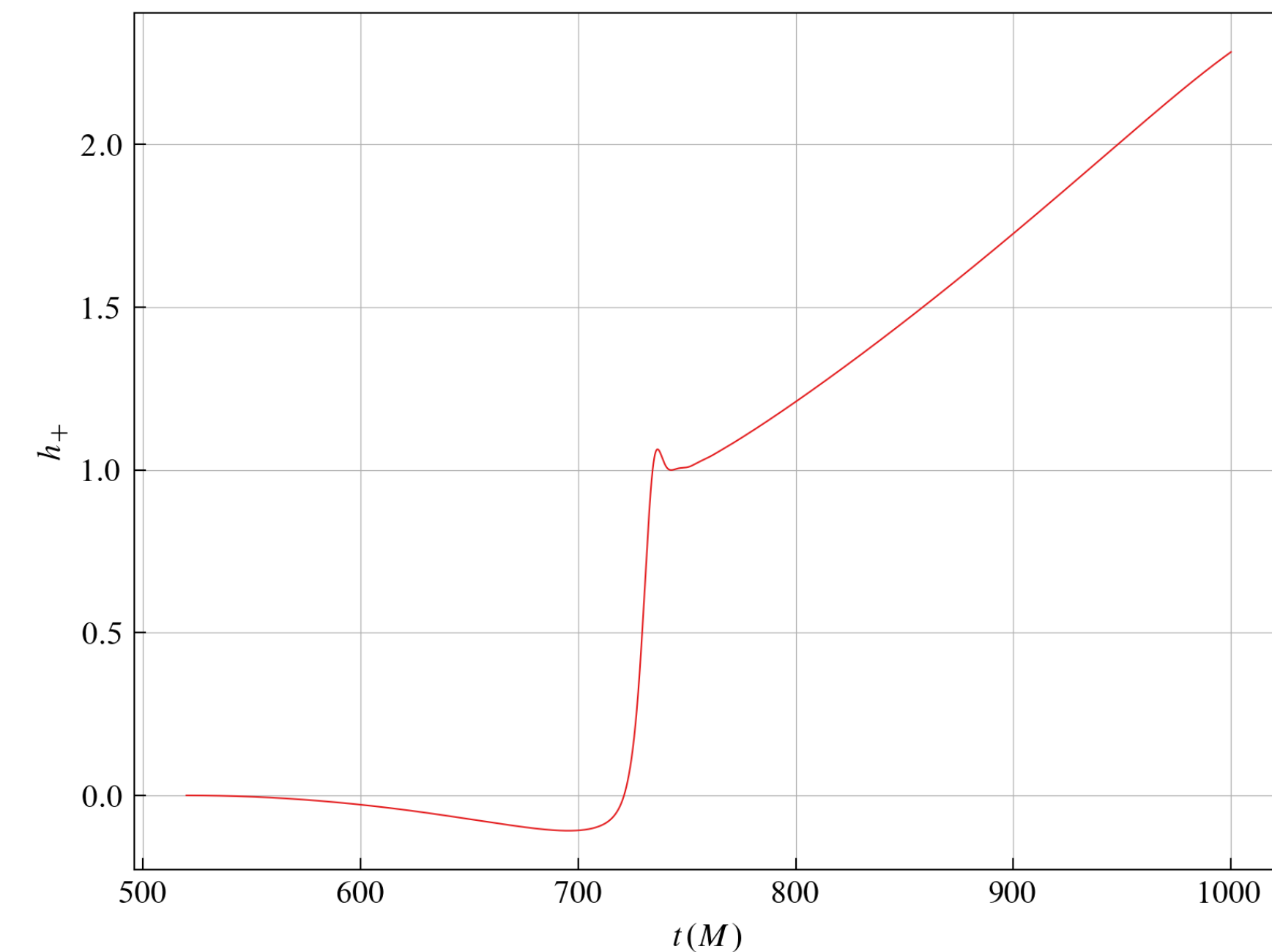
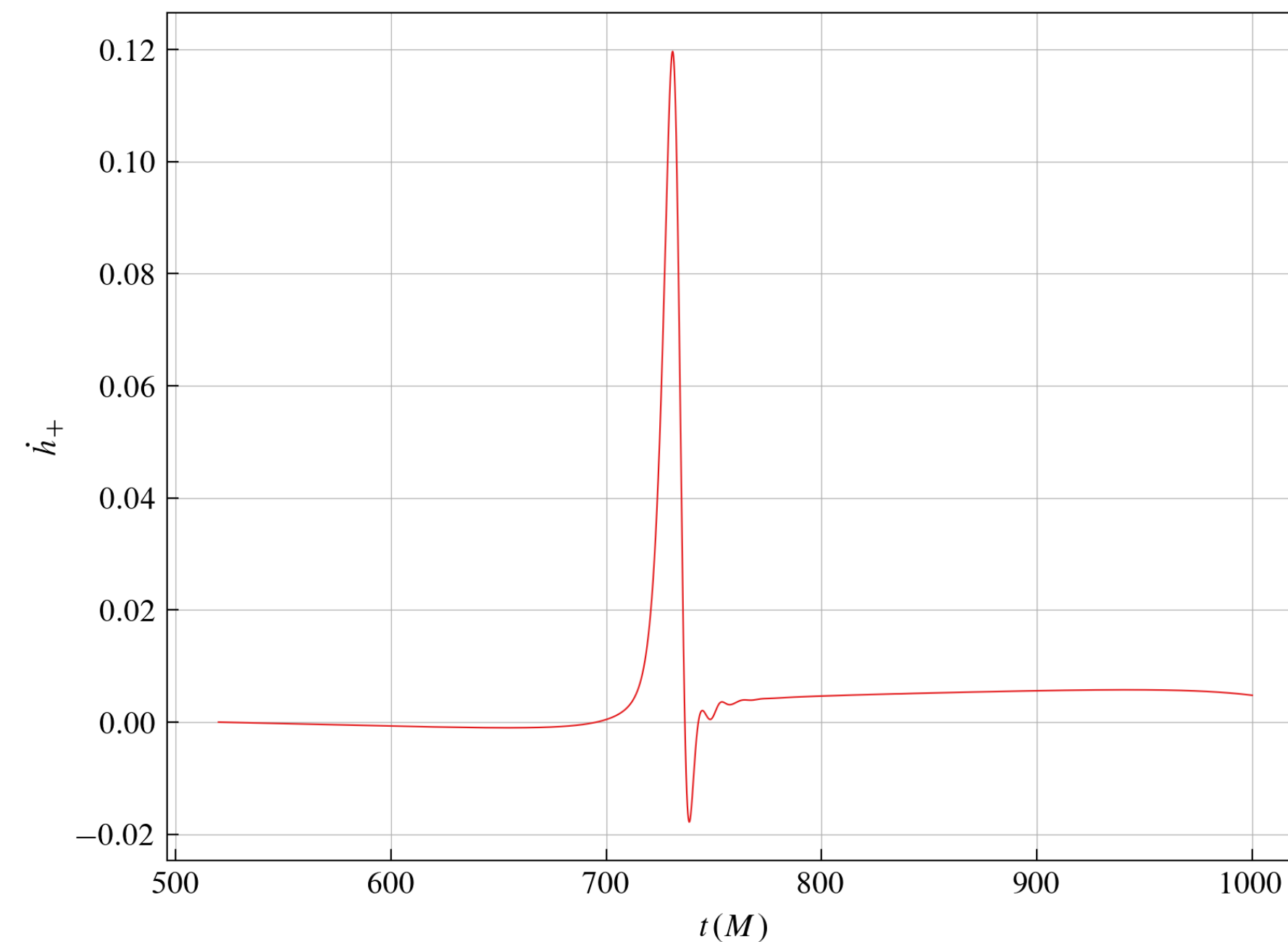


[\[Berti et al. 2007\]](#)

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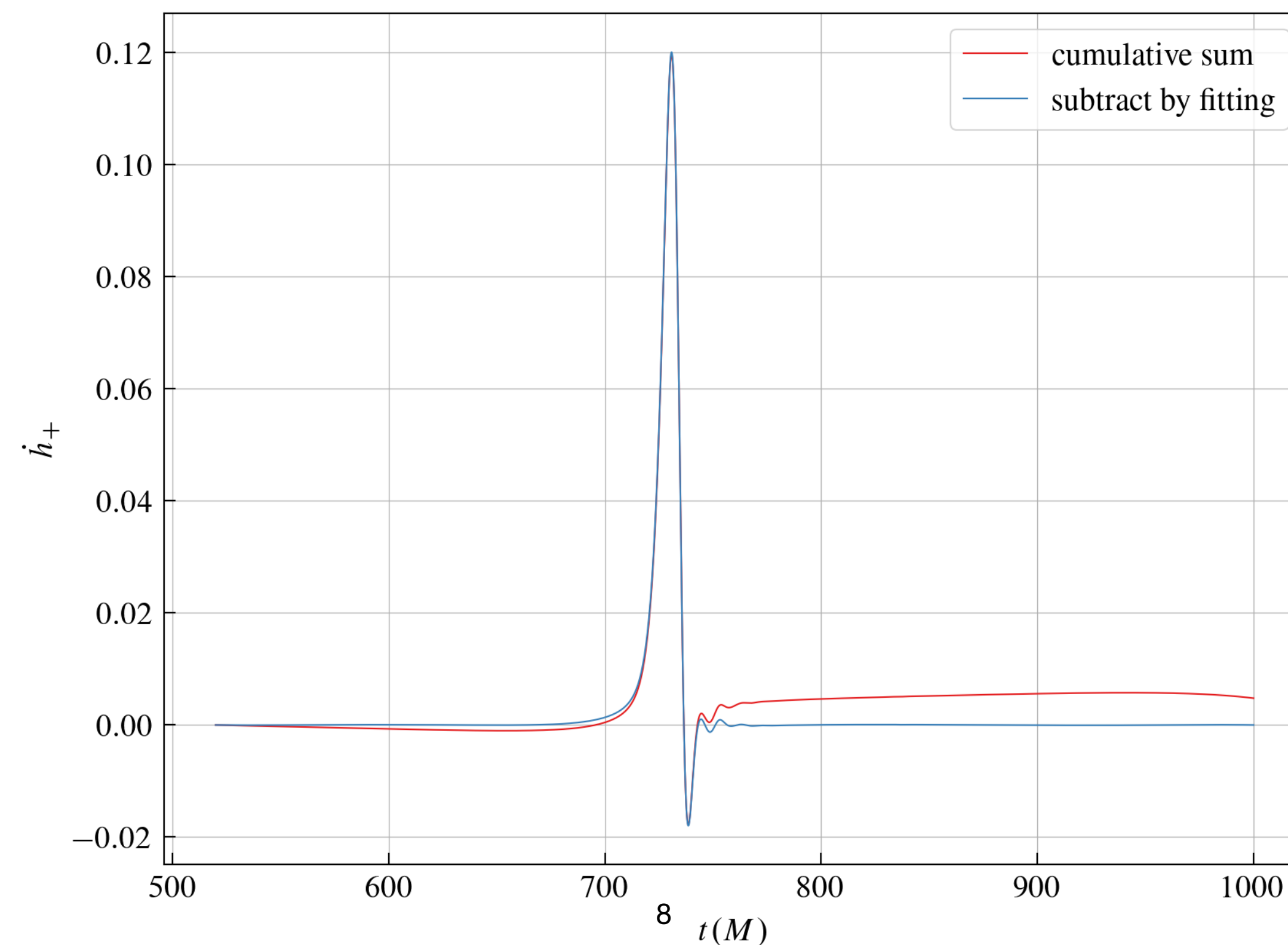
- [\[Reisswig et al. 2011\]](#) addressed this issue using FFI, but it could only be applied to GWs from quasi-circular orbits. ([\[Hopper et al. 2023\]](#))



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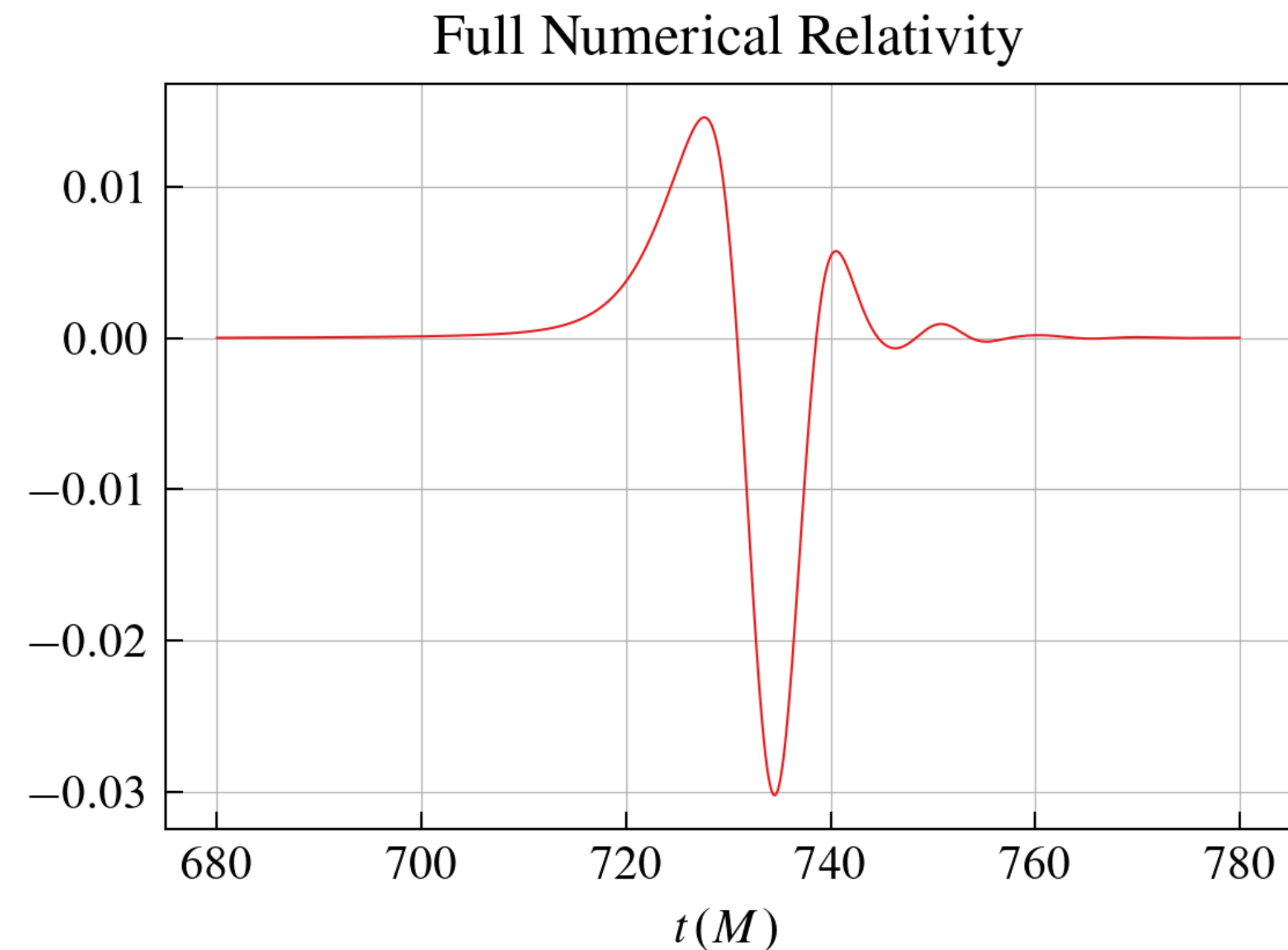
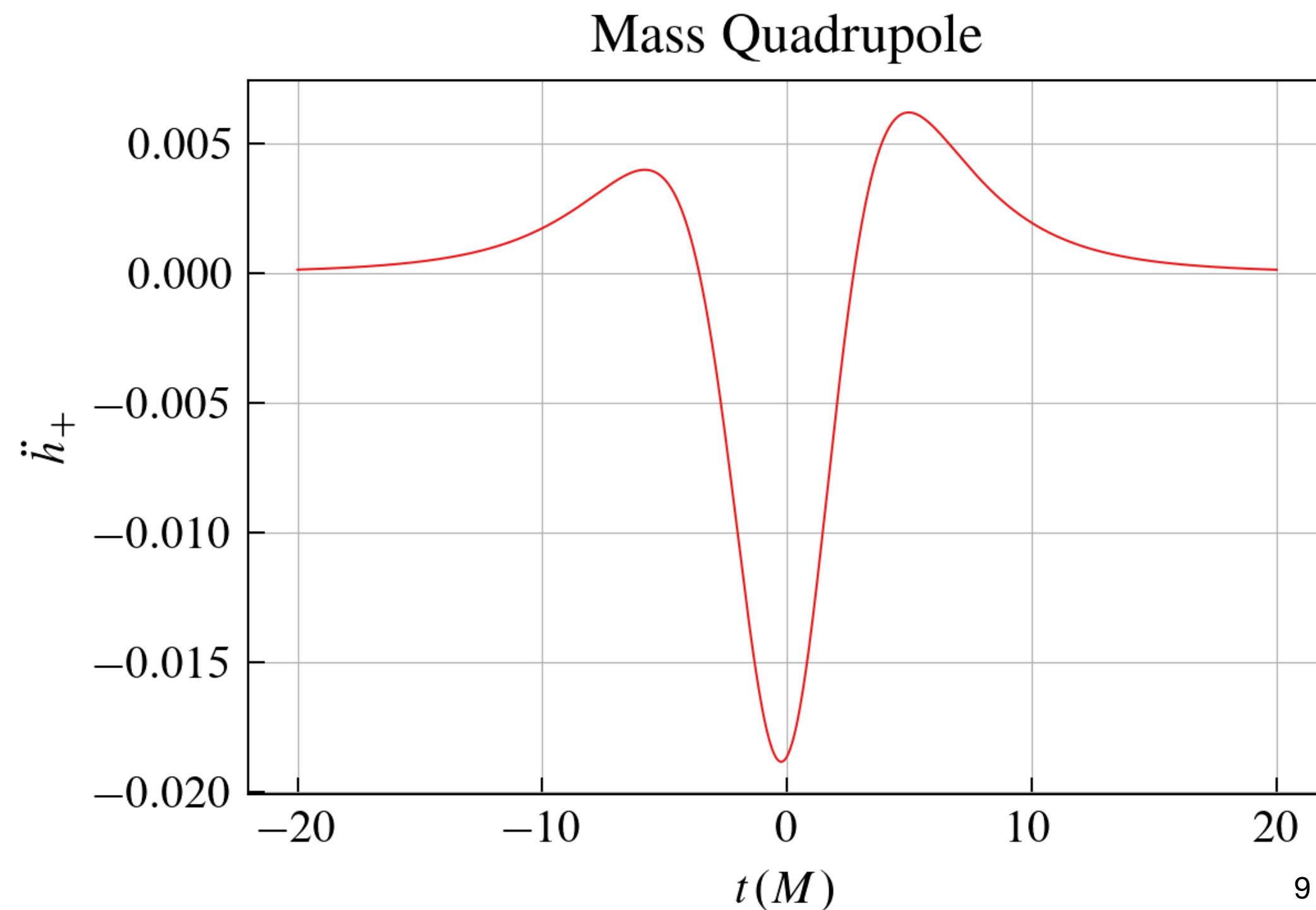
- We minimized the drift in \dot{h} by fitting a polynomial function to the background noise and subtracting it from the waveform.



Comparison Gravitational Waveforms

Mass Quadrupole vs Full NR

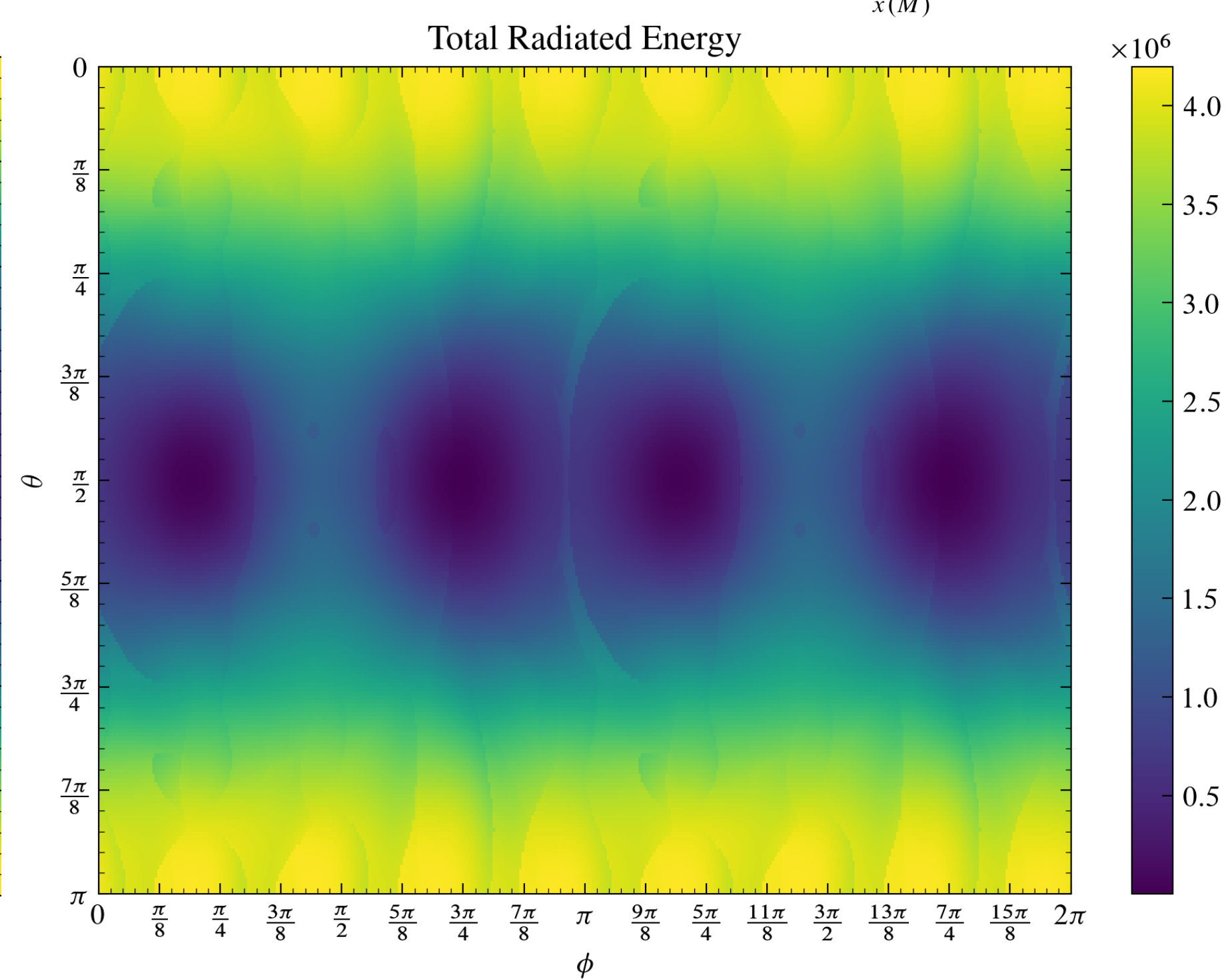
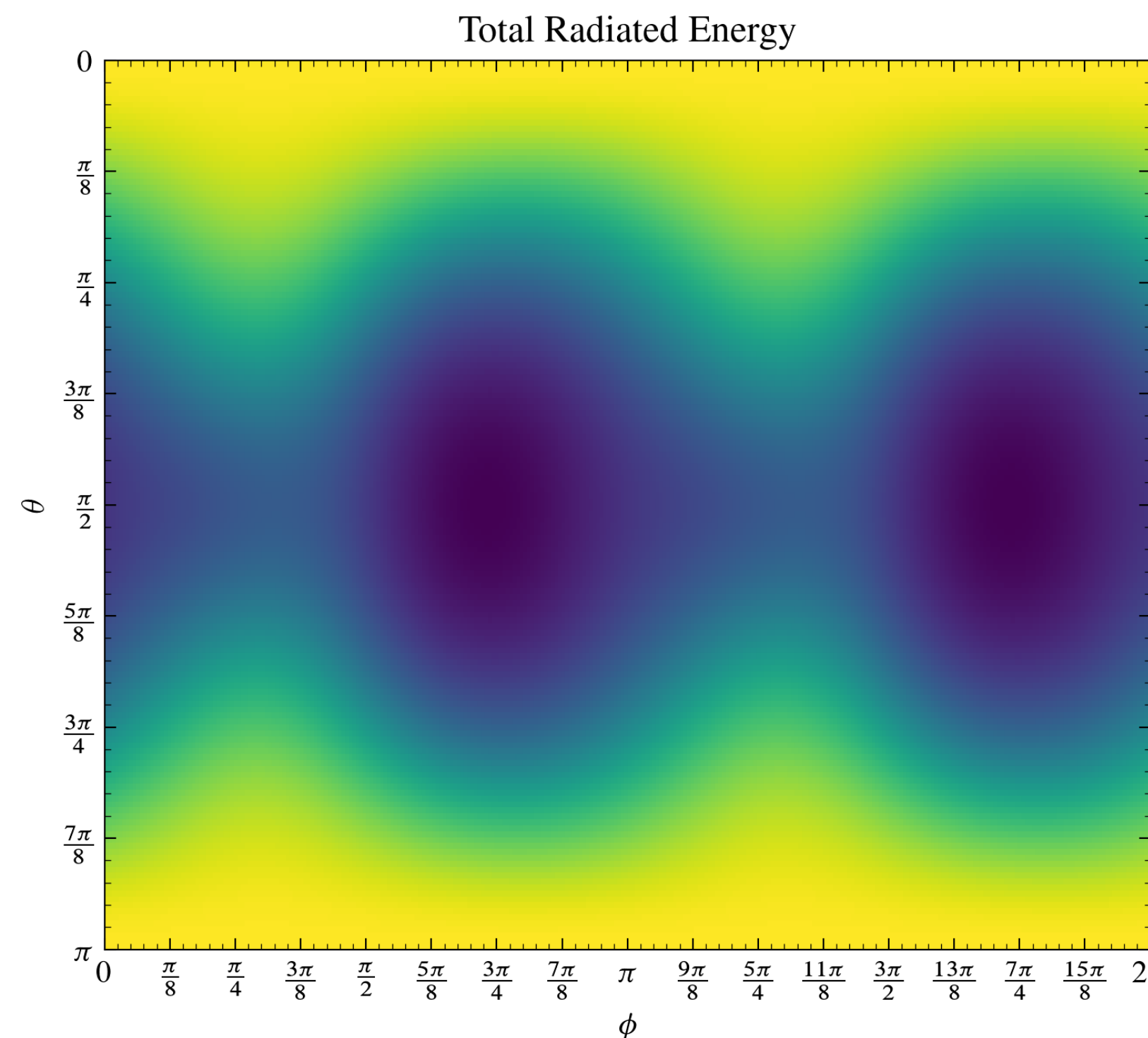
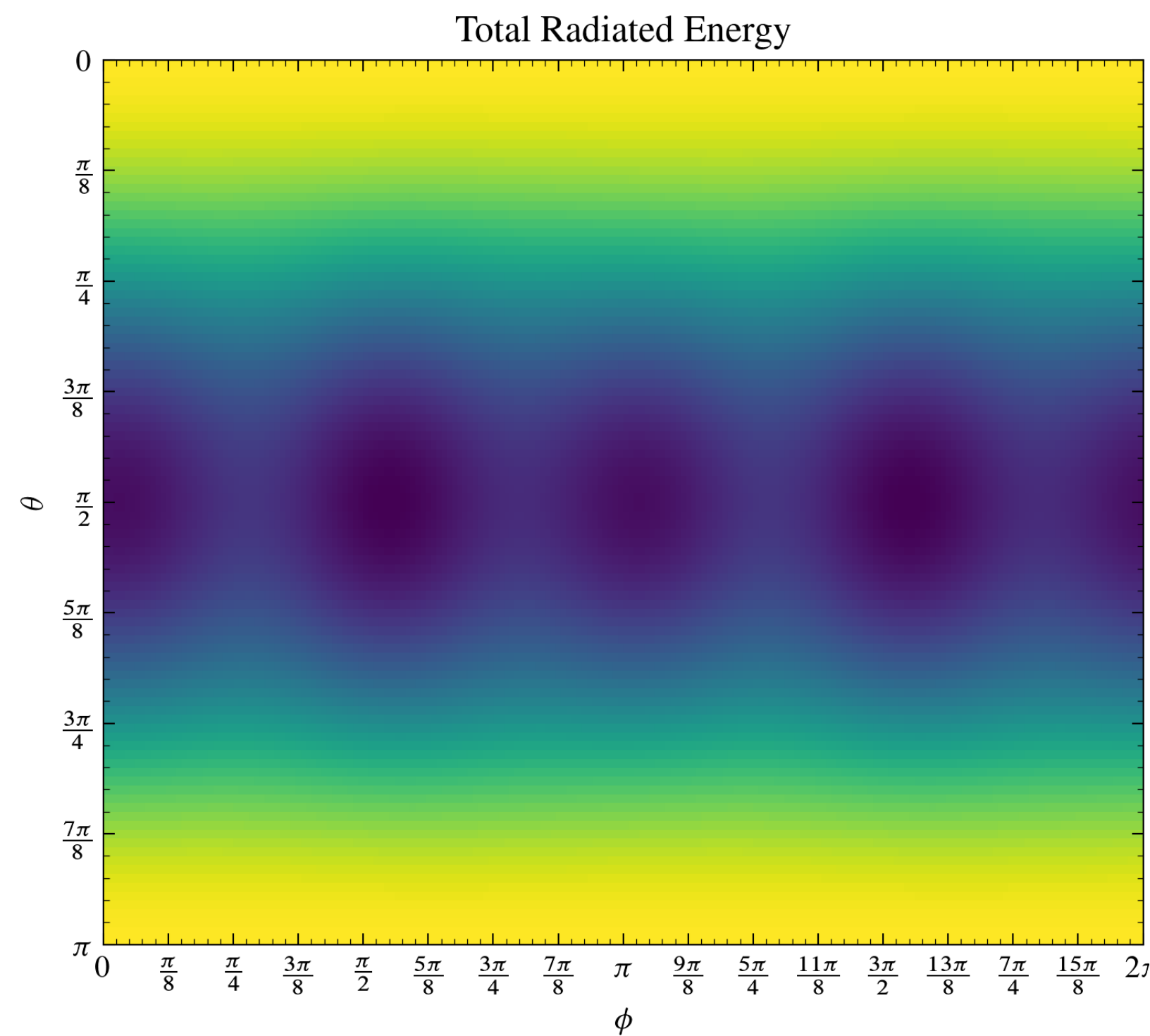
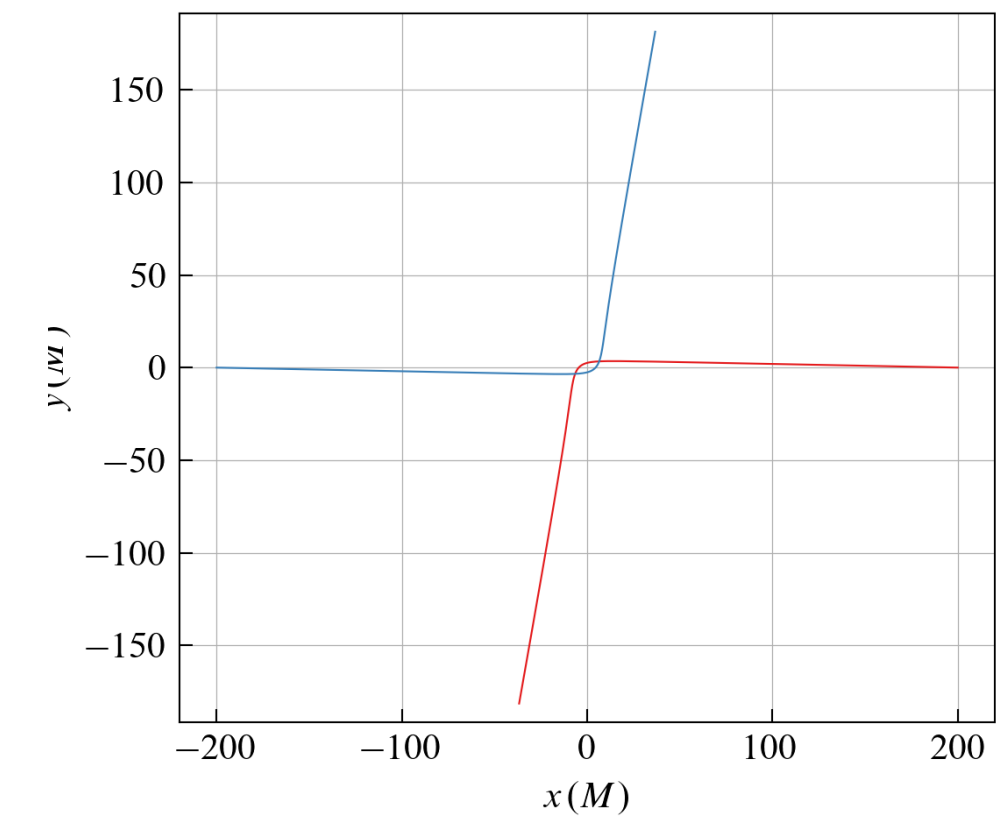
- We can calculate GWs by approximating the orbit as Keplerian motion and calculating the mass quadrupole moment.



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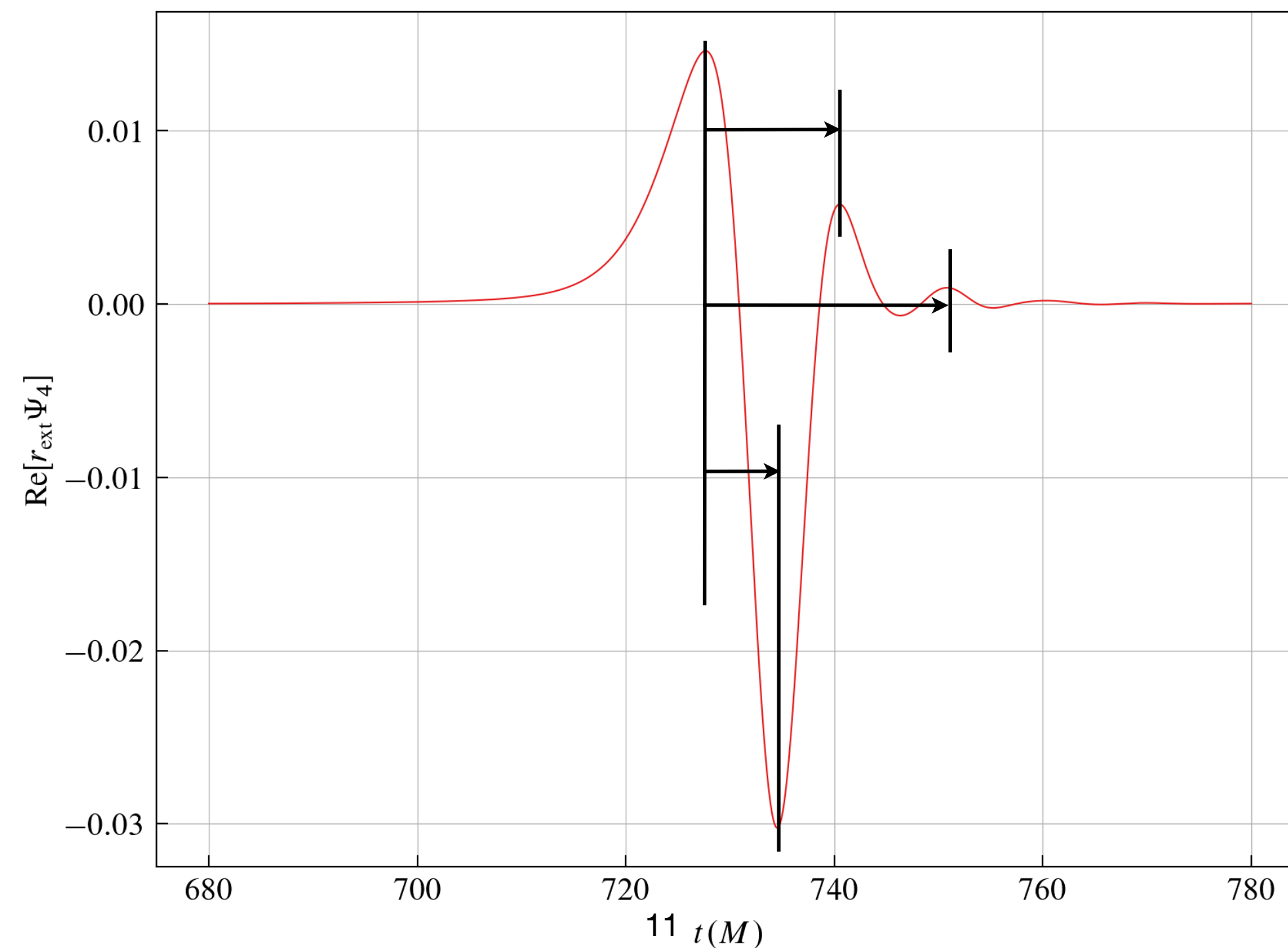
Radiated Energy

- The energy radiated can be calculated from \dot{h} .

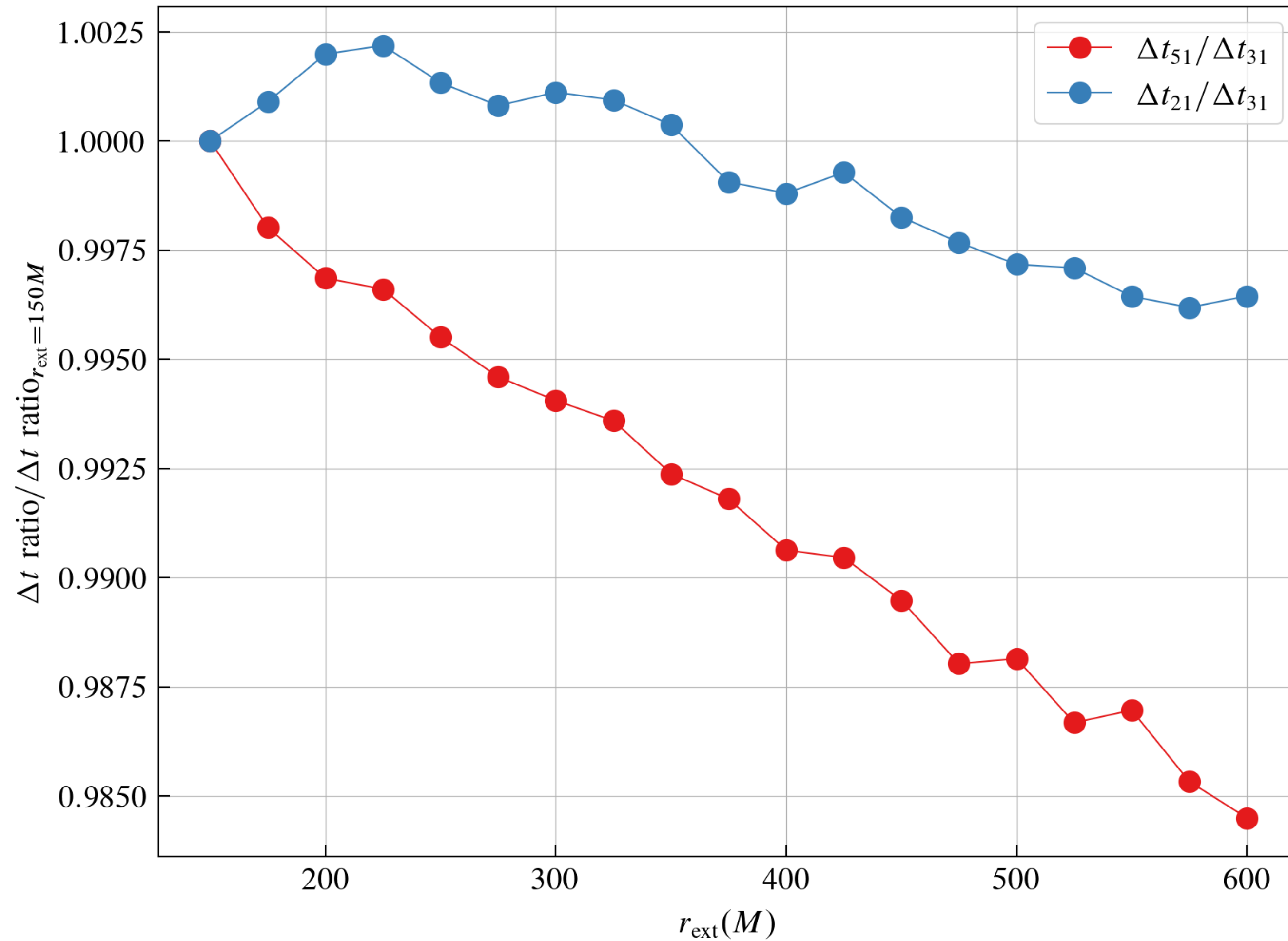


Differences in TD and RD Waveforms

- Trajectory Driven (TD) waveforms and Ringdown (RD) waveforms are expected to exhibit different characteristics depending on the extraction radius, as they originate from different sources.

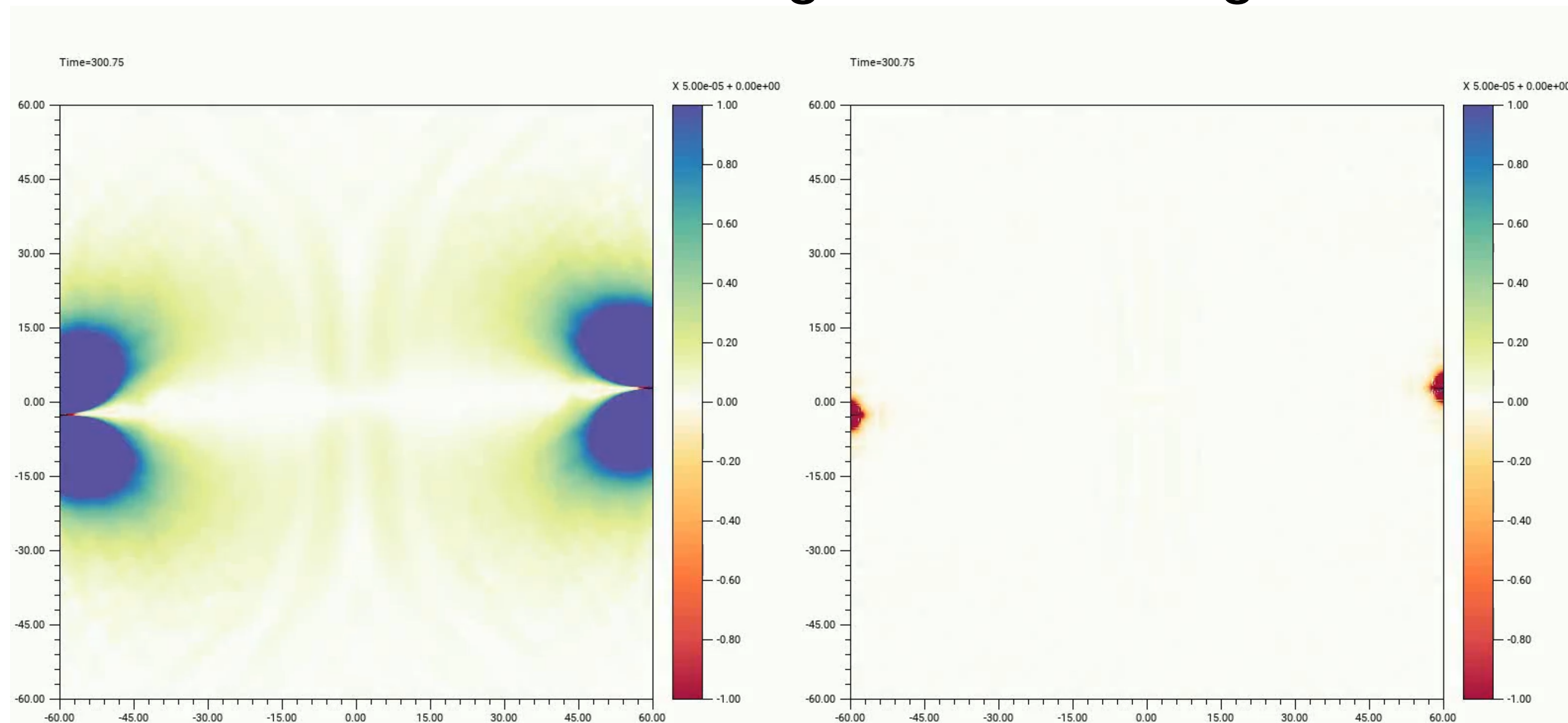


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Psi4 Visualization

- Ψ_4 on the xy-plane was calculated and visualized. A mean filter was applied to better observe the waveforms in regions with strong fields.

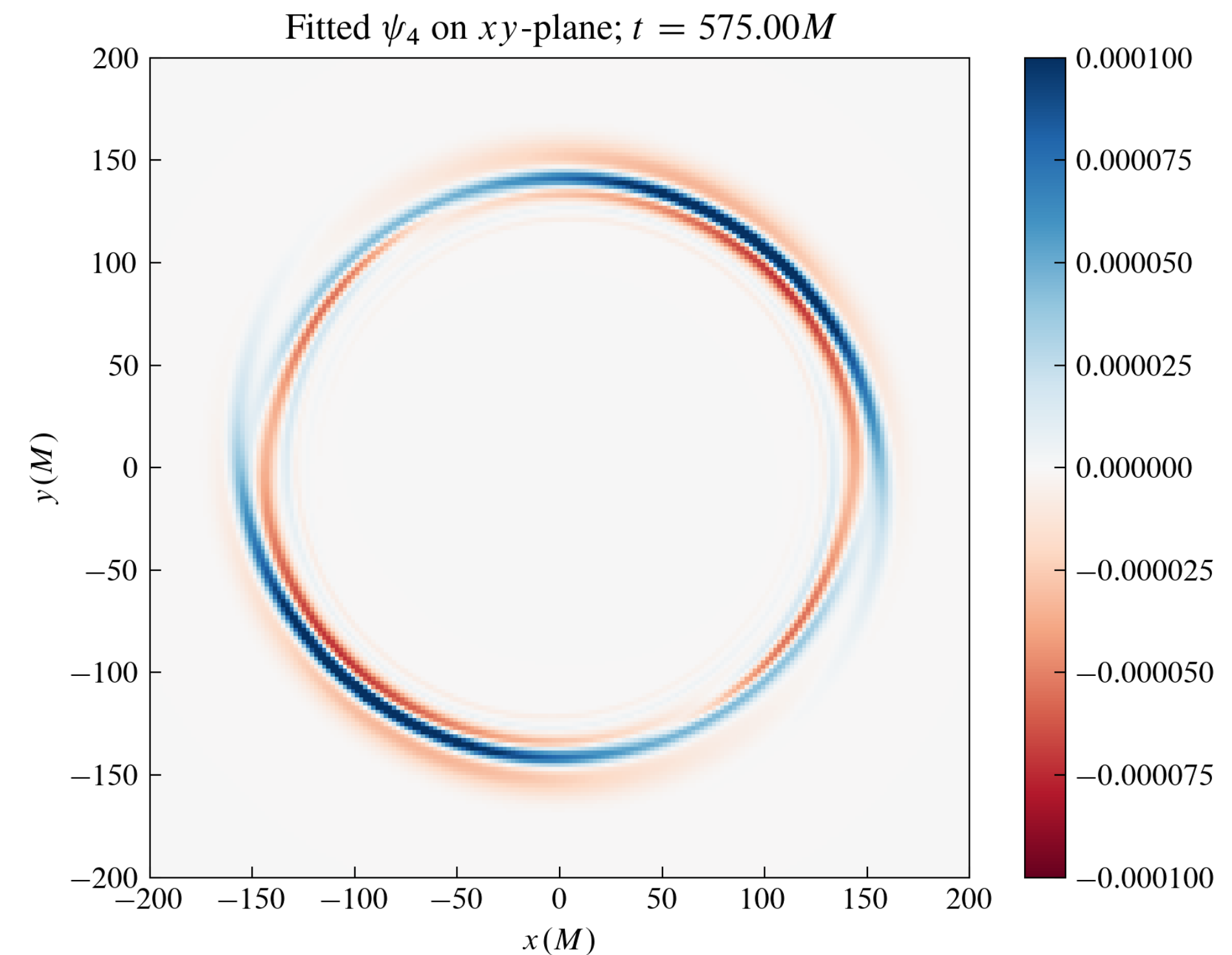
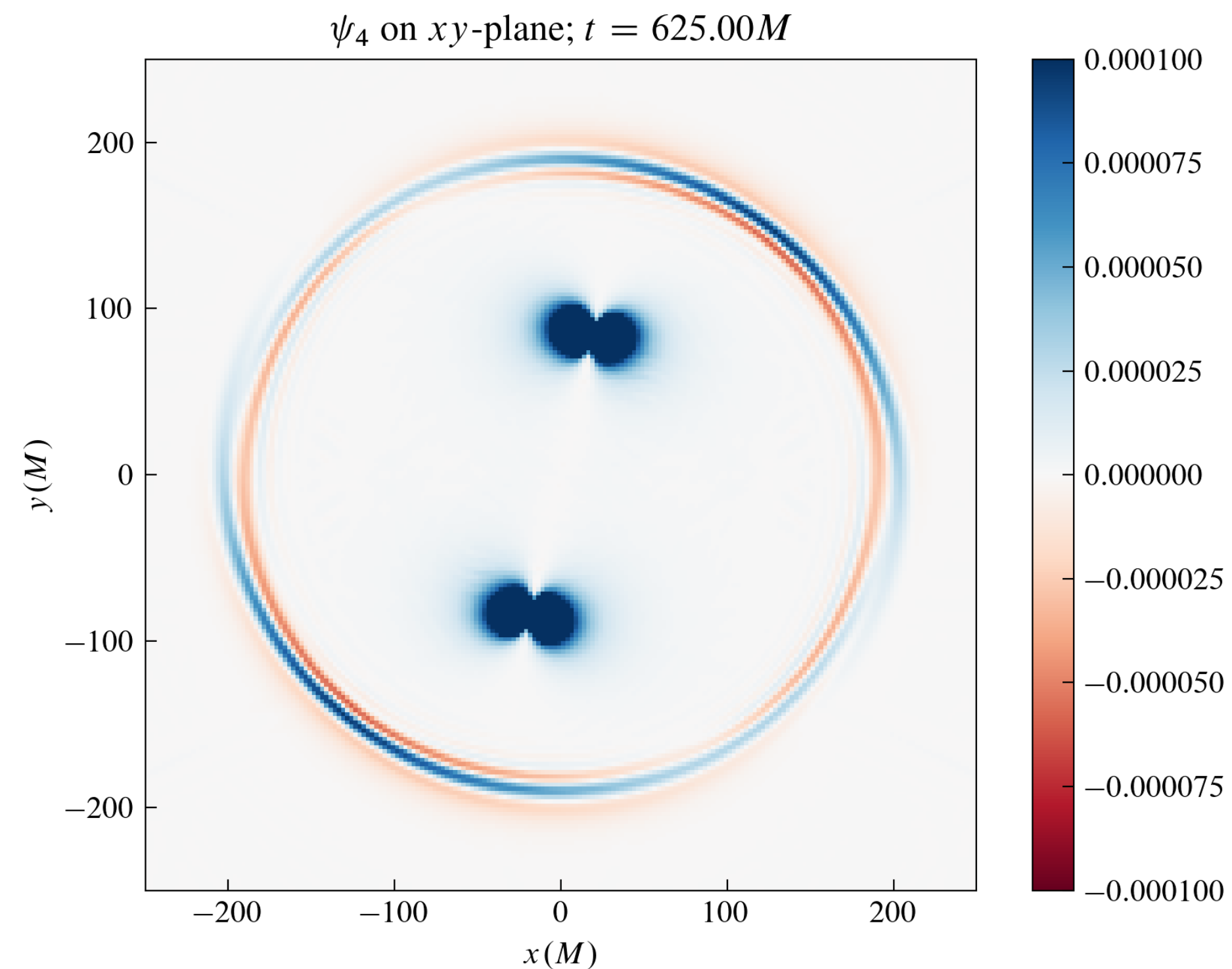


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Polar Gaussian Fitting

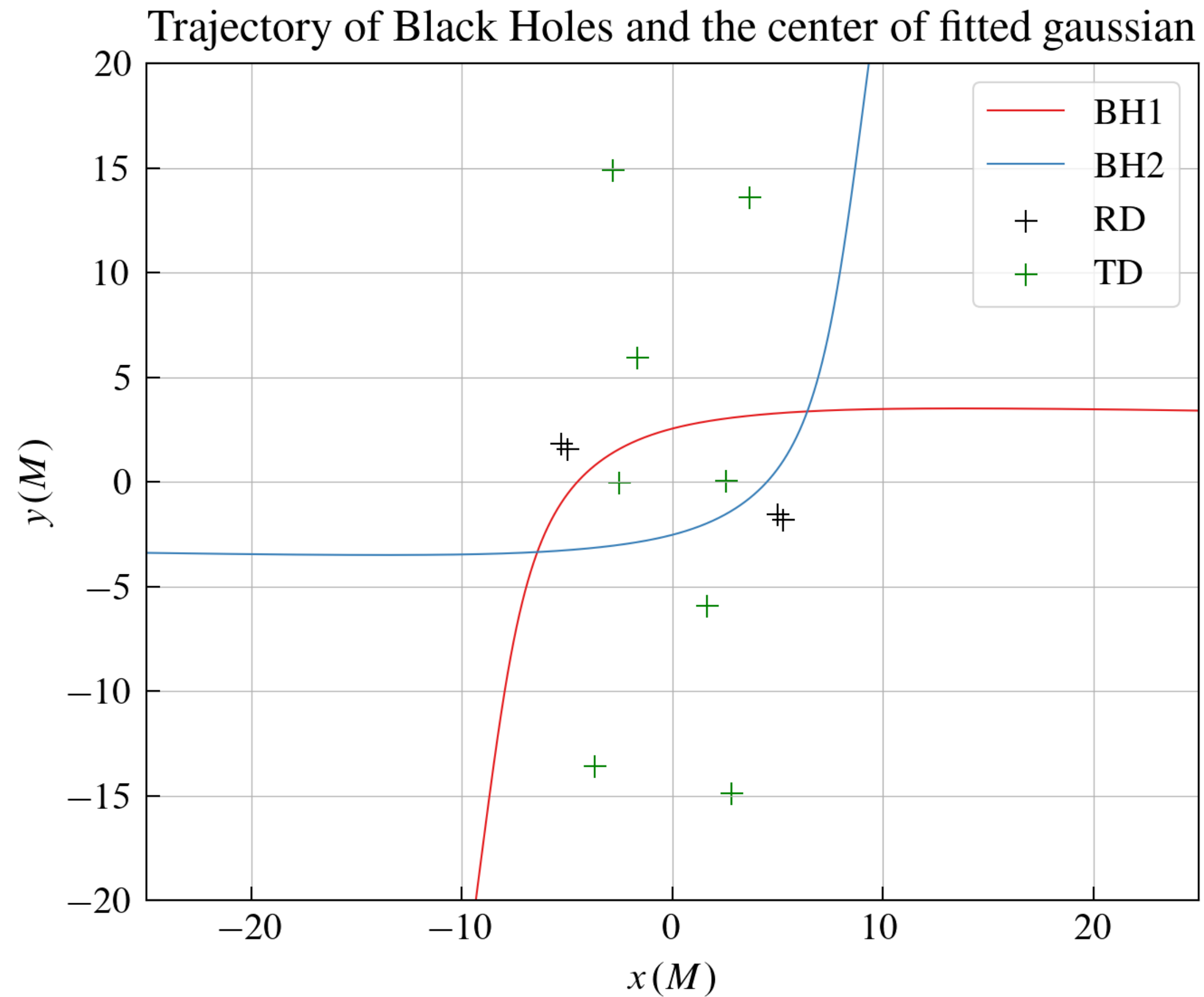
$$f(r, \theta) = A \exp \left[- \left(\frac{r - r_0}{2\sigma_r} \right)^2 \right] \exp \left[- \left(\frac{\theta - \theta_0}{2\sigma_\theta} \right)^2 \right]$$

- We fitted Ψ_4 at a specific time as a linear combination of polar Gaussian functions.



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Summary

- We investigated the characteristics of GWs radiated from the hyperbolic encounter of two black holes.
- The nonlinear drift resulting from integrating these gravitational waves remains unresolved.
- Using the subtract-by-fitting method, we obtained the \dot{h} , and the energy radiated, calculated through this method, showed better agreement with the results obtained using the mass quadrupole compared to previous result.
- The difference in behavior between the TD waveform and RD waveform at various extraction radii was identified through the ratio of their time delays.
- Ψ_4 was visualized on the xy-plane for further analysis.

Thank you!