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**Imprint of the Kozai-Lidov Mechanism on the Gravitational
Waveform** ROHIT CHANDRAMOULI, NICOLAS YUNES, University of Illinois
at Urbana-Champaign — Gravitational waves emitted by an inner binary in a hier-
archical triple are interesting astrophysical candidates for future detectors like LISA.
In the presence of the third body, the inner binary can undergo oscillations in eccen-
tricity due to the Kozai-Lidov (KL) mechanism, which is one of the astrophysical
channels for the formation of eccentric binaries. In this talk, I will present our efforts
towards an analytic calculation of the effect of KL oscillations on the gravitational
waveform. The separability of timescales of the system implies that multiple-scale
analysis can be used to combine the effects of both radiation reaction and KL oscil-
lations. The imprint on the waveform, due to this combined evolution, can then be
analytically computed in the stationary phase approximation. I will also discuss our
analysis of the parameters of the hierarchical triple which can produce a detectable
(by LISA) imprint of KL oscillations on the waveform.

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