Erratum: Constraints on dark photon dark matter using data from LIGO's and Virgo's third observing run [Phys. Rev. D 105, 063030 (2022)]

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An oversight in the analysis presented in the original article led to an overly optimistic estimate of the sensitivity of the cross-correlation search to a dark photon dark matter signal. Specifically, the overlap reduction function (ORF) used for the contribution of the finite light speed effect ("common-mode" mirror motion within either interferometer arm leading to an apparent differential strain) [1] was taken to be the same as the ORF for the true differential-mode mirror motion. As reported in [2], the ORF for the finite speed effect (-0.18) is, instead, significantly smaller than that for true differential motion (-0.9). Since the ORF values are squared in computing the coupling strength ϵ^2 , the sensitivity reduction of the cross-correlation results depicted in Fig. 3 in the original article is substantial. Hence, we include here a revised Fig. 3 to supersede that in the original article. Because the relative importance of the finite speed contribution is larger at higher frequencies, the sensitivity degradation is greater at higher frequencies. The results from the BSD analysis, which does not rely upon cross-correlation, are unchanged from those shown in the original article and now provide more constraining upper limits on the coupling strength of dark matter to baryons across most of the frequency range.

Following the same notations in the original article, the square root of the amplitude ratio of the cross-correlation for two signal channels in the frequency domain is given by

$$\sqrt{\left|\frac{\langle h_{C,I}^*(f)h_{C,J}(f')\rangle}{\langle h_{D,I}^*(f)h_{D,J}(f')\rangle}\right|} \simeq \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \frac{2\pi f L}{v_0} \alpha_{IJ},\tag{1}$$

where $v_0 \simeq 220$ km/s is the velocity of dark matter orbiting around the galaxy center, L is the arm length of the interferometer, I, J are the detector indices, α_{IJ} is the factor effectively taking into account the ratio of ORFs between the two signal channels, which is given by

$$\alpha_{IJ} = \sqrt{\frac{\delta_{ab}(\hat{X}_{I}^{a} - \hat{Y}_{I}^{a})(\hat{X}_{J}^{b} - \hat{Y}_{J}^{b})}{\delta_{ac}\delta_{bd}(\hat{X}_{I}^{a}\hat{X}_{I}^{b} - \hat{Y}_{I}^{a}\hat{Y}_{I}^{b})(\hat{X}_{J}^{c}\hat{X}_{J}^{d} - \hat{Y}_{J}^{c}\hat{Y}_{J}^{d})}}, \qquad a, b, c, d = 1, 2, 3,$$
(2)

where $\hat{X}_{I}^{a}(\hat{Y}_{I}^{a})$ is the *a* component of the unit vector of the *x* arm (*y* arm) of the interferometer *I*. For the LIGO-Hanford (H1) and LIGO-Livingston (L1) detectors,

$$\delta_{ab}(\hat{X}^a_{\rm H1} - \hat{Y}^a_{\rm H1})(\hat{X}^b_{\rm L1} - \hat{Y}^b_{\rm L1}) \simeq -0.059, \tag{3}$$

$$\delta_{ac}\delta_{bd}(\hat{X}^a_{\rm H1}\hat{X}^b_{\rm H1} - \hat{Y}^a_{\rm H1}\hat{Y}^b_{\rm H1})(\hat{X}^c_{\rm L1}\hat{X}^d_{\rm L1} - \hat{Y}^c_{\rm L1}\hat{Y}^d_{\rm L1}) \simeq -1.8,\tag{4}$$

and thus,

$$\alpha_{\rm H1L1} \simeq 0.18. \tag{5}$$

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FIG. 1. Updated Fig. 3 of the original article, showing the effect of the reduced ORF on the cross-correlation upper limits (BSD limits remain the same). Even though the fast Fourier transform length T_{FFT} is lower (compared to that of cross correlation) at higher frequencies, the improvement factor resulting from the finite time correction is orders of magnitude larger than the reduction in sensitivity due to a shorter T_{FFT} .

The relation between the cross-correlation for two signal channels and the coupling strength ϵ is

$$\langle h_{\text{tot},I}^* h_{\text{tot},J} \rangle = \langle h_{C,I}^*(f) h_{C,J}(f') \rangle + \langle h_{D,I}^*(f) h_{D,J}(f') \rangle \simeq \gamma_{D,IJ} \left[6.58 \times 10^{-26} \alpha_{IJ}^2 + 6.56 \times 10^{-27} \left(\frac{100 \text{ Hz}}{f} \right) \right]^2 \left(\frac{\epsilon}{10^{-23}} \right)^2, \tag{6}$$

where $\gamma_{D,H1L1} = -0.9$ is the ORF of the differential-mode signal for the LIGO-H1 and LIGO-L1 detector pair.

We see here that the reduced ORF, i.e., $\gamma_{D,H1L1} \times \alpha_{H1L1}^2 \sim 0.03 \gamma_{D,H1L1}$ instead of $\gamma_{D,H1L1}$ for the ORF of the commonmode signal, implies a larger upper limit on ϵ^2 —see Fig. 1 in this Erratum.

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