"The Onassis Foundation Science Lecture Series 2022 in Physics"

"Gravitational Waves"

Heraklion, Crete, July 25 - 29, 2022



Monday – July 25

09:15 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 10:15	Welcome
10:15 - 11:30	"Intro to the School and Gravitational Waves", by Barry Barish
11:30 - 12:00	Break
12:00 - 13:15	"Theory/Phenomenology of GW #1", by Alessandra Buonanno
13:15 - 14:30	Lunch Break
14:30 – 15:45	"Theory/Phenomenology of GW #2", by Alessandra Buonanno





Alessandra Buonanno

• "Theory/Phenomenology of Gravitational Waves"

1. Waveform models for inspiraling binary systems using post-Newtonian theory

2. Waveform models for coalescing binary systems (inspiral-merger-ringdown stages) using the effective-one-body formalism

(other waveform models will also be mentioned)

3. Brief discussion of how those waveform models are used for searches and inference studies

4. A glimpse of results from gravitational-wave observations with LIGO and Virgo experiments

Point 3. and 4. may have some overlap with Patrick Sutton, but I will mentioned them briefly, mainly to motivate the importance of predicting the shape of gravitational waves from binary systems.



Tuesday – July 26

[,] 09:30 -10:45	"LIGO/Virgo Detectors", by Lisa Barsotti
10:45 -11:15	Break
11:15 -12:30	"LIGO/Virgo Physics #1", by Patrick Sutton
12:30 -14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:15	"LIGO/Virgo Data Analysis #1", by Erik KatsErik Katsavounidisavounidis

Wednesday – July 27

GW in Space by Stefano Vital	09:30 - 10:45
- Break	10:45 - 11:15
LIGO Virgo Data Analysis-Results#2	11:15 - 12:30
Lunch Break	12:30 – 14:00
[•] PUBLIC LECTURE by Barry Barish (in Englis)	20:00



Stefano Vitale

Gravitational Waves in Space

- Inaccessibility of low frequency from ground are the reason to go to space. Lower frequency: supermassive bodies and detached sources
- LISA science: Supermassive Black-hole binaries, EMRI, Galaxy (local group) binary survey and implications, Multi-band, Sirens and cosmology
- Detecting GW in space: the doppler link Basic principle: inertial masses, femtoWatt interferometry. Laser noise and time delay interferometry, Internal GPS and absolute timing. Orbits
- Acceleration noise and LISA Pathfinder: instrument, experiment, operations and results LISA current development status

Thursday – July 28



09:30 -10:45	"The Virgo Detector" by Jan Harms
10:45 -11:15	Break
11:15 -12:30	"Einstein Telescope" By Jan Harms
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 15:15	""GW Astrophysics #1" by Marica Branchesi

Jan Harms

The Virgo detector

The Virgo detector forms part of a global network together with the two LIGO detectors and the KAGRA detector. It has made important contributions to GW observation since 2017. In this lecture, I will discuss the current configuration of the Virgo detector and some of the implemented technologies in preparation of the upcoming observation run in 2023. I will explain how early decisions about detector infrastructure and technologies influence today's planning of the Virgo detector, and what the possible implications are for future upgrades and the development of the field in Europe.

Jan Harms

The Einstein Telescope

The Einstein Telescope is a proposed underground facility in Europe to host future generations of GW detectors starting operation in the mid 2030s. It takes a radical approach to extend the observation band of terrestrial detectors towards a few Hertz. Environmental noise is strongly reduced underground, and a so-called xylophone configuration is chosen to address the immense challenge of overcoming low-frequency sensitivity limitations of current GW detectors. As a consequence, the Einstein Telescope would be able to see mergers of black holes with masses up to several 1000 solar masses, or equivalently less massive systems at very high redshift. Low-frequency sensitivity also makes it possible to observe binary neutron stars for several hours to a day before they merge, which greatly helps with analyses of the source. In this lecture, I will review the concept, technologies, and science case of the Einstein Telescope.

Friday – July 29

45 Cosmic Explorer by Evans Matthew	09:30 -10:45
:15 Break	10:45 -11:15
["] GW Astro Future #2 by Branchesi Maric	11:15 -12:30
:00 Lunch break	12:30 - 14:00
GW Future Opportunities #2" by Sutton Patric	14:00 -15:15



1.3 Billion Years Ago

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Black Holes

- Regions of space created by super dense matter from where nothing can escape due to the strength of gravity
- Some may form when very large stars collapse and die
- Expected to have masses from around 3 to 100s of times the mass of the Sun
- Others may have been created in the Big Bang
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1.3 Billion Years Ago Two black holes coalesce into a single black hole

Gravitational Waves Travel to the Earth

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~ 20 msec later



After another 7 msec



GR Prediction for BH merger



Newton's Theory of Gravity 1687





Universal Gravity: force between massive objects is directly proportional to the product of their masses, and inversely proportional to the square of the distance between them.





Mercury's elliptical path around the Sun. Perihelion shifts forward with each pass. (Newton 532 arc-sec/century vs Observed 575 arc-sec/century) (1 arc-sec = 1/3600 degree).

Einstein's Theory of Gravity



1915

$$G_{ab} \equiv R_{ab} - \frac{1}{2}g_{ab}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{ab}$$

Space *and* Time are *unified* in a four dimensional





First observed during the solar eclipse of 1919 by Sir Arthur Eddington, when the Sun was silhouetted against the Hyades star cluster

Einstein Predicted Gravitational Waves in 1916





- 1st publication indicating the existence of gravitational waves by Einstein in 1916
 - Contained errors relating wave amplitude to source motions
- 1918 paper corrected earlier errors (factor of 2), and it contains the quadrupole formula for radiating source

The Chapel Hill Conference

Could the waves be a coordinate effect only, with no physical reality? Einstein didn't live long enough to learn the answer.

In January 1957, the U.S. Air Force sponsored the *Conference on the Role of Gravitation in Physics*, a.k.a. the Chapel Hill Conference, a.k.a. GR1.

The organizers were Bryce and Cecile DeWitt. 44 of the world's leading relativists attended.

The "gravitational wave problem" was solved there, and the quest to detect gravitational waves was born. (Pirani, Feynman and Babson)



Agreement: Gravitational Waves are Real

- Felix Pirani presentation: relative acceleraton of particle pairs can be associated with the Riemann tensor. The interpretation of the attendees was that non-zero components of the Riemann tensor were due to gravitational waves.
- Sticky bead argument (Feynman)
 - Gravitational waves can transfer energy?



Einstein's Theory of Gravitation

A necessary consequence of Special Relativity with its finite speed for information transfer

Gravitational waves come from the acceleration of masses and propagate away from their sources as a space-time warpage at the speed of light



gravitational radiation binary inspiral of compact objects

Einstein's Theory of Gravitation Gravitational Waves

• Using Minkowski metric, the information about spacetime curvature is contained in the metric as an added term, $h_{\mu\nu}$. In the weak field limit, the equation can be described with linear equations. If the choice of gauge is the *transverse traceless gauge* the formulation becomes a familiar wave equation

$$(\nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2})h_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

• The strain $h_{\mu\nu}$ takes the form of a plane wave propagating at the speed of light (c).

• Since gravity is spin 2, the waves have two components, but rotated by 45° instead of 90° from each other.



$$h_{\mu\nu} = h_{+}(t - z / c) + h_{x}(t - z / c)$$

Now the problem is for experimentalists

1000 kg

Try it in your own lab! M = 1000 kg R = 1 m f = 1000 Hz r = 300 m

 $h \simeq 10^{-35}$

1000 kg

BUT, the effect is incredibly small

Consider ~30 solar mass binary Merging Black Holes - $M = 30 M_{\odot}$ R = 100 kmf = 100 Hz $r = 3 10^{24} \text{ m} (500 \text{ Mpc})$

$$h = \Delta L / L \approx \frac{4\pi^2 GMR^2 f_{orb}^2}{c^4 r} \Longrightarrow h \sim 10^{-21}$$

Astrophysical Sources

- Compact binary inspiral: "chirps"
 - NS-NS waveforms are well described
 - BH-BH need better waveforms
 - search technique: matched templates
- Supernovae / GRDS.

"bursts"

- burst signals in coincidence with signals in electromagnetic radiation
- prompt alarm (~ one hour) with neutrino detectors
- Pulsars in our galaxy:

"periodic"

- search for observed neutron stars (frequency, doppler shift)
- all sky search (computing challenge)
- r-modes
- Cosmological Signal *"stochastic background"*







Compact Binary Collisions



- Neutron Star Neutron Star
 - waveforms are well described
- Black Hole Black Hole
 - Numerical Relativity waveforms
- Search: *matched templates*



Gravitational Waves

- Ripples of spacetime that stretch and compress spacetime itself
- The amplitude of the wave is $h \approx 10^{-21}$
- Change the distance between masses that are free to move by $\Delta L = h \times L$
- Spacetime is "stiff" so changes in distance are very small

$$\Delta L = h \times L = 10^{-21} \times 1 \,\mathrm{m} = 10^{-21} \,\mathrm{m}$$





Suspended Mass Interferometry



$$h = \frac{\Delta L}{L} \le 10^{-21}$$

L = 4km $\Delta L \le 4 \times 10^{-18}$ meters

 $\Delta L \sim 10^{-12}$ wavelength of light $\Delta L \sim 10^{-12}$ vibrations at earth's surface
Interferometry – The scheme



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Credit: LIGO/T. Pyle



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LIGO Construction Began in 1994

Evolution over 22 years to Advanced LIGO

and the day



LIGO Infrastructure beam tube

LIGO Interferometers



Hanford, WA



Livingston, LA

LIGO Interferometer Infrastructure

direct of

Mirror / Test Masses

- Mechanical requirements: bulk and coating thermal noise, high resonant frequency
- Optical requirements: figure, scatter, homogeneity, bulk and coating absorption





Nd:YAG Laser





- Stabilized in power and frequency
- Uses a monolithic master oscillator followed by injection-locked rod amplifier

LIGO: Measurement Scheme

- Enhanced Michelson interferometers
- GWs modulate the distance between the end test mass and the beam splitter
- The interferometer acts as a transducer, turning GWs into photocurrent proportional to the strain amplitude
- Arms are short compared to our GW wavelengths, so longer arms make bigger signals
 - \rightarrow multi-km installations



Magnitude of h at Earth: Detectable signals $h \sim 10^{-21}$ For L = 4km, $\Delta L = 4x10^{-18}$ m





Interferometer Noise Limits



What Limits LIGO Sensitivity?

- Seismic noise limits low frequencies
- Thermal Noise limits middle frequencies
- Quantum nature of light (Shot Noise) limits high frequencies
- Technical issues alignment, electronics, acoustics, etc limit us before we reach these design goals



Advanced LIGO GOALS



Passive / Active Multi-Stage Isolation Advanced LIGO



Sensitivity for Advanced LIGO



Black Hole Merger Events and Low Frequency Sensitivity





Statistical Significance of GW150914



Finding a weak signal in noise

- "Matched filtering" lets us find a weak signal submerged in noise.
- For calculated signal waveforms, multiply the waveform by the data
- Find signal from cumulative signal/noise



time 50⁰ 2 4 6 8 10 40 30 20 10 h(t)Ο -10-20 -30 -404 з o(t)2 1 ᇰ 2 4 6 8 10 time

GW151226 – Matched Filter



Phys. Rev. Lett. 116, 241103 (2016)

"Second Event" Inspiral and Merger GW151226



Second Event, Plus another Candidate



Sensitivity

Lessons from LIGO O1

- Steep drop in false alarm rate versus size means edge of observable space is very sharp
 - » Very far out on tail of noise due to need to overcome trials factor





Reported Black Holes Mergers



Testing General Relativity – Dispersion Term?

In GR, there is no dispersion!
Add dispersion term of form

 $E^2 = p^2 c^2 + A p^{\alpha} c^{\alpha}, \quad \alpha \ge 0$

(E, p are energy, momenturm of GW, A is amplitude of dispersion)

- Plot shows 90% upper bounds
- Limit on graviton mass $M_g \le 7.7 \times 10^{-23} \text{ eV/c}^2$
- Null tests to quantify generic deviations from GR



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New Astrophysics

- Stellar binary black holes exist
- They form into binary pairs
- They merge within the lifetime of the universe
- The masses $(M > 20 M_{\odot})$ are much larger than what was known about stellar mass Black Holes.



Observed Binary Mergers to Date



Virgo Joins LIGO – August 14, 2017

2017 August 14





For all 10 reported Black Hole Binary Event NO Electromagnetic counterparts found !!

LH 1160 square degrees LHV 60 square degrees

And, on August 17

17 August 2017, 12:41:04 UT



Fermi Satellite GRB detection 2 seconds later







Fermi Satellite GRB detection 2 seconds later







Time-frequency representation of the gravitationalwave event GW170817, as observed by the LIGO Livingston detector. Moments before merger, a noise glitch 1,000 times louder than the gravitational-wave signal occurred.

Multi-messenger Astronomy with Gravitational Waves


Hubble Constant – Expansion of the Universe



$v_{H} = H_{0}d$

- v_D = local "Hubble flow" velocity of the source
- Optical identification of the host galaxy NGC 4993
- D = distance to the source

Observations Across the Electromagnetic Spectrum



Birth of Multimessenger Astronomy

"Kilonova"

NSF/LIGO/Sonoma State University/A. Simonnet

The Origin of Heavy Elements Gold Factory in the Sky

1 H	Periodic Table of the										2 He						
3 Li	4 Be	Flamants															
11 Na	12 Mg	Liements										13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 01	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 1	54 Xe
55 Cs	56 Ba		72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	7	78 Pt	79 Au	t g	81 TI	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn
87 Fr	88 Ra																
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			La 89	Ce 90	Pr 91	Nd 92	Pm	Sm	Eu	Gd	Tb	Dy	Ho	Er	Tm	УБ	Lu
			Ac	Th	Pa	U											

Yellow: Formed by Merging Neutron Stars

The Future for LIGO



Coalescing Binary Systems

• Neutron stars, low mass black holes, and NS/BS systems

GW detector network: 2015-2025



Cryogenic Mirror

KAGRA Kamioka Mine

Underground

Technologies crucial for next-generation detectors; KAGRA can be regarded as a 2.5-generation detector.

Improving Localization



Voyager: Concept to fully exploit LIGO sites



Technological Improvements

- Large 100 kg Test Masses
- Silicon
- Lower Temperature
- Improved Coatings
- ~300 W Laser (2 μm)

Science Potential

- More cosmological reach
- Improved Signal/Noise events
- aLIGO event rate x 10

Proposed 3rd Generation Detectors

Einstein Telescope 10 km

The Einstein Telescope: x10 aLIGO

- Deep Underground;
- 10 km arms
- Triangle (polarization)
- Cryogenic
- Low frequency configuration
- high frequency configuration



Proposed 3rd Generation Detectors

Cosmic Explorer 40 km

The Cosmic: x10 Voyager

- Earths surface;
- 40 km arms
- Low frequency configuration
- high frequency configuration



The Future for Gravitational Wave Astronomy

Milliseconds



0.000

Thanks!

First Binary Neutron Star Merger



	Low-spin priors $(\chi \le 0.05)$
Primary mass m_1	1.36–1.60 M_{\odot}
Secondary mass m_2	$1.17-1.36 \ M_{\odot}$
	High-spin priors $(\chi \le 0.89)$
Primary mass m_1	$1.36-2.26~M_{\odot}$
Secondary mass m_2	$0.86 - 1.36 M_{\odot}$

