An Overview of

Space Gravitational wave Observations

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Who is this?



An experimental astrophysicist



- 2017-present: JAXA
- 2012-2017: Postdoc at LIGO Hanford
- Scientific interests
 - Laser interferometry
 - Gravitational waves
 - Early Universe

What are gravitational waves?

Ripples of space-time, radiated from accelerated masses



Two polarization states



Astrophysica^h sources



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Gravitaitonal wave astronomy

Use of gravitational waves as an observation tool



Compact star coalescence events
 Stellar mass BH and NS

Ground-based observatories leading GW astronomy



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Multi-messenger astronomy



Gravitational wave astronomy forms a branch of Multi-messenger astronomy

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Cosmic Clashes

90 compact binary coalescence events observed

- Astrophysical/cosmological contributions:
 - Verification of GR
 - Measuring Hubble constant
 - Limiting EOS for NS
 - Propagation speed of GWs
 - Population of BH binaries
 - … etc.





90 events to date



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Laser interferometer





Working principle of Laser interferometer



Optical phase (measurement quantity)

$$\Delta \Phi(t) = kc \int_{t-L/c}^{t} (1+h(t))^{-1/2} dt$$
$$\approx k L - k Lh(t)/2$$

h: GW amplitude*k*: wavenumber of light field

Sensitivity proportional to interferometer length

Sensitivity on ground

LIGO Livingston alog 45851 (2019) Credit: V. Frolov



Low frequency noise limited by terrestrial seismic noises

Contamination by seismic noises below 10 Hz

Gravity gradient noise can not be reduced by vibration isolation system







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Into space



Merits for putting the detectors in space

- Almost no seismic noises
- Long laser interferometer lengths
- Vacuum tubes not required
- Different GW sources

Space-based detectors

A number of concepts exist today

Laser interferometers

 LISA, DECIGO, TianQin, Taiji

 Atom interferometers

 AEDGE [1]

 Precision clocks

 INO[2], DOCS[3]

 Lunar-based interferometers

 GLOC[4], LGWA[5], LSGA[6], LION [7]

Y. A. El-Neaj+ EPJ Quantum Tech. (2020)
 T. Ebisuzaki+, Intn'l J. Mod. Phys. D (2020)
 J. Su+, Class. Quantum Grav. (2018)
 K. Jani+, arXiv:2007.085502 (2020)
 J. Harms+, arXiv:2010.13726 (2020)

- [6] S. Katsanevas+, ESA (2020)
- [7] P. Amaro-Seoane+, Class. Quantum Grav. (2021)

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FP cavity FP cavity Tag-free Free spacecraft Mirror Laser Poto Truster Poto DECEGOE DECEGOE



LI Earth

Sun beam

wireless

olar panel

is a parasol

optical lattic clock

LISA

- LISA: Laser Interferometer Space Antenna space GW mission, to be launched in 2035
 Development underway, lead by ESA Selected as the Cosmic Vision L3 (2017)
- ► Targeting 1mHz -100mHz low frequency band
- SS/C deployed in equilateral triangular constellation Different concept than the ground-based (long laser links, transponder, drag-free and etc.)
- Two groups participating from Japan
 Japanese working group for LISA science
 Japan instrument group

How it looks like



A closer look



LISA assessment study report, ESA/SRE(2011)3

Arm length: 2,500,000 km Three satellites Six lasers (lambda=1064 nm) Six laser links Six test masses Drag-free control Optical transponder time-delay interferometry 6.5 yrs mission duration (10 max.)

Science goals/objectives of LIS/

Two key questions

(1)How, when and where do the first massive black holes form, grow and assemble, and what is the connection with galaxy formation?

(2)What is the nature of gravity near the horizons of black holes and on cosmological scales?

LISA L3 proposal document

Science objectives

- SO 1: Study the formation & evolution of compact binary stars in the Milky Way
- SO 2: Trace the origin, growth & merger history of MBHs
- SO 3: Probe the dynamics of dense nuclear clusters using EMRIs
- **SO 4:** Understand the astrophysics of stellar origin black holes
- **SO 5:** Explore the fundamental nature of gravity & black holes
- **SO 6:** Probe the rate of expansion of the Universe
- **SO 7:** Understand stochastic GW backgrounds & their implications for the early Universe and TeV-scale particle physics
- **SO 8:** Search for GW bursts and un- foreseen sources

arXiv:1907.064802

Probing the mHz band



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Super Massive Black Holes



SMBH at the center of M87 (C) EHT collaboration

Furthest SMBH confirmed today: $8x10^8 M_{\odot}$ at z = 7.5 [1]

[1] E. Banados+, Nature (2017)

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How did they grow?



Figure: M. Mezcua, Int. J. Mod. Phys. 26, 11, 1730021 (2017)

Hierarchical merger tree

Past



How far up in the tree can LISA probe?

Present

Coalescence event rate prediction V.S. merger tree Figures: Sesana+, ApJ (2004)



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Covering almost all the epoch in merger tree



 $> 10^3 M_{\odot} < M < 10^7 M_{\odot}$ ► Beyond z = 10

LISA L3 proposal document (2017)

Drag free control

Floating mass available in orbit
 Shielding necessary to keep TM from external disturbances



Drag free very necessary

Solar radiation model at 1 AU

$$\frac{\delta W}{W_0} \approx 1.3 \times 10^{-3} \left(\frac{1 \,\mathrm{mHz}}{\nu}\right)^{1/3} / \sqrt{\mathrm{Hz}}$$



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Noise introduction in D.F.

However

- ► Relative displacement of S/C then exerts force to test mass
 - Via gravitational and electro-magnetic and other couplings
- ► Necessary to precisely control S/C at ~nm/Hz^{1/2}
 - ► Low-noise thrusters (uN thrusters), precision local sensors



LISA Pathfinder

2015/Dec.: Launched (SE, L1)
2017/June.: Mission complete





A.6 cm



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Test mass housing



weight: 1.96 kg

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LPF pictures

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Demonstration by LISA Pathfinder



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Constellation flying

The distances between S/C vary as function of time in LISA





e.g., K Rajesh Nayak+, 2006 Class. Quantum Grav. 23 1763

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Heterodyne interferometry





Photoreceiver development BBM study completed M. Kobayashi+, JPS met KI+, Prog. Theor. Exp. H. Okasaka+, JPS meet K. Komori+, JPS meet

M. Kobayashi+, JPS meeting 17aK16-3 (2020) KI+, Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys. (2020) H. Okasaka+, JPS meeting 14pW3-7 (2021) K. Komori+, JPS meeting 14aW3-9 (2021)





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Photoreceivers go here



Deci-Hertz band unexplored



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Here comes **B-DECIGO**

B-DECIGO

- A space-GW mission concept considered by a Japanese group, to be launched in 2030's
- Observing GWs in 0.1 Hz band
- ► 3 S/C deployed in equilateral triangle
- Orbit TBD
- ► S/C distance 100 km
- Fabry-Perot resonators (requiring precision formation flying)



DECIGO: Japanese space mission concept



Pre-curser mission B-DECIGO, envisioned to launch in 2030s Ultimate goal is direct detection of Primordial GW background at around 0.1 Hz

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Multi-wavelength observation

T. Nakamura Prog. Theor. Exp. Phys 093E01 (2016)



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Technological studies

Credit: B-DECIGO/DECIGO collaboration



レーザー干渉計構成の動作実証 [東京大・理]





衛星システム・軌道・制御検討 [東京大・工,法政大など]





低雑音スラスタの性能評価 [法政大]



B-DECIGOのシステム検討 [NEC株式会社と協働]

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Another key: Formation Flying



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FF concepts to date



Rise of Chinese missions

• Two Chinese space gw mission concepts are independently being developed Aiming at launching in 2030's

CHINA'S CHOICES Chinese researchers have proposed several ways to detect gravitational waves in space.

TAIJI

The most ambitious proposal uses three spacecraft in a triangle that orbits the Sun and detects gravitational waves from a range of objects, like Europe's eLISA proposal. The spacecraft are farther apart than in eLISA, giving Taiji access to different frequencies.



TIANOIN

A cheaper proposal puts three craft in orbit around Earth, and much closer to each other than in Taiji. This would target the gravitational waves emitted by HM Cancri, a pair of white dwarf stars.



Nature **531**, 150–151 (2016)



Observations of gravitational wave provide new insight into dark and relativistice universe.

Young researchers, It is time to jump into the field of space gravitational wave observations

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