Gravitational wave: A probe for towards high density Phase transition





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Astrophysical Phase Transition

Importance of Astrophysical PT:

Quark-gluon plasma is confirmed at high temperature (collider experiments). What about high density? Still No earth-based experiments.

Natural laboratory are Neutron stars. Renewed interest after detection of NS-NS mergers.

What about phase transition in neutron stars. **Neutron stars** — **Quark stars**

A two-step process

 $\begin{array}{cccc} P & & uud & u+d & \longrightarrow & u+s \\ N & & udd & & \end{array}$





Figs: Dexheimer et al., Universe (2019)

Neutron Stars: Birth

Formation of a neutron star (NS)



Neutron Stars: Properties

Properties of NS

- Mass 1.2 2.4 solar mass
- Radius 10 15 km
- Period ms sec
- Density at core $10^{14} 10^{15}$ gm/cc
- Magnetic field 10¹⁵ G (max)

Solving Einstein Equation Ideal Fluid

$$\underbrace{G_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Spacetime}} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^2} \underbrace{T_{\mu\nu}}_{\text{Matter}}$$



Credits: earthsky.org

 $M(r) = 4\pi \int_0^r \rho(r) r^2 dr$

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -G\frac{M(r)\rho(r)}{r^2} \frac{\left[1 + \frac{P(r)}{\rho(r)c^2}\right] \left[1 + \frac{4\pi r^3 P(r)}{M(r)c^2}\right]}{\left[1 - \frac{2GM(r)}{rc^2}\right]},$$

Seeding of the quark core:

The seeding happens as the star slows down.

Once the critical density is crossed the quark seed forms.

The seed grows as the star slows down further.





4 scenarios:

- 1. Low-mass star never attains quark core
- 2. Core develops during lifetime
- 3. Core grows during lifetime
- 4. Core grows and ultimately star collapse to BH

Prasad & Mallick, MNRAS 516, 1127 (2022)

A handful of stars:

The range of stars which attains a quark core depends on the EoS.

Changing the EoS the quantitative nature changes but qualitatively they remain same.





Initial configuration:

A density fluctuation at the centre of the star initiates a shock discontinuity.

As the shock propagates out deconfinement from HM to QM happens.



Deconfinement transition:



Conservation of mass

$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla}.(\rho \vec{u}) = 0$$

Conservation of momentum

$$\frac{\partial(\rho\vec{u})}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla}.(\rho\vec{u})\vec{u} + P = \rho\vec{a}$$

Riemann-Problem

$$U_t + [F(U)]_x = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial(\rho E)}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla}.(\rho E\vec{u} + P\vec{u}) = \rho\vec{u}.\vec{a}$$

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \rho u \\ \rho E \end{pmatrix} \qquad F(U) = \begin{pmatrix} \rho u \\ \rho u u + p \\ \rho u E + up \end{pmatrix}$$

Deconfinement transition: GR1D code

The evolution equations can be obtained using - $abla_\mu J^\mu = 0, \qquad \quad
abla_\mu T^{\mu
u} = 0$

In the coordinate frame where $u^{\mu} = (W/\alpha, Wv/X, 0, 0)$, $W = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1-v^2}}$ is the Lorentz

factor and v is the physical radial velocity. (O'Connor and D. Ott, 2010)

Evolution equation of rest mass density

$$\partial_t(D) + \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_r \left(\frac{\alpha r^2}{X} D v \right) = 0$$

where D is the conserved variable. $D = X \rho W$ with $X(r, t) = \left(1 - \frac{2m(r,t)}{r}\right)^{-1/2}$. **Evolution equation of momentum**

$$\partial_t(S^r) + \frac{1}{r^2} \partial_r \left[\frac{\alpha r^2}{X} (S^r v + P) \right] = \alpha X \left[(S^r v - \tau - D) \left(8\pi r P + \frac{m}{r^2} \right) + \frac{Pm}{r^2} + \frac{2P}{X^2 r} \right]$$

where $S^r = \rho h W^2 v$ and conserved variable $\tau = \rho h W^2 - P - D$. Evolution equation of energy

$$\partial_t(\tau) + rac{1}{r^2}\partial_r\left[rac{lpha r^2}{X}(S^r - vD)
ight] = 0$$

The conserved variables are function of primitive variables ρ , e, v and P.

Evolution of the shock leading to deconfinement

The shock velocity is some fraction of velocity of light

The deconfinement takes about 50 microseconds





Prasad & Mallick, ApJ, 859, 57 (2018)

ρ(r,θ) at t=0μs

Gravitational wave generation

The change in the density profile brings about a change in the mass quadrupole moment

Results in the emission of GW



t [ms]

$$h_{\theta\theta}^{TT} = \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\frac{15}{\pi}} \sin^2 \theta \frac{A_{20}^{E2}}{r}, \qquad A_{20}^{E2} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left(k \int \rho \left(\frac{3}{2} z^2 - \frac{1}{2} \right) r^4 dr dz \right)$$

where θ is the angle between the symmetry axis and the line of sight of the observer. $z = \cos \theta$ and $k = \frac{16\pi^{3/2}}{\sqrt{15}}$. × 10⁻²⁶ × 10⁻²² × 10⁻²³ × 10⁻²⁵ **Dynamical PT** leutron Sta 6 4 ٩ -2 -4 -6 Prasad & Mallick, ApJ, 893, 151 (2020) 2.6 2.62 2.63 2.64 3.5 0.5 1 1.5 2 2.61 3 4 4.5 5 5.34 6 6.5 7 7.5 8 8.5

Weak decay and Stability

$$d \to u + e^- + v_{e^-},$$

 $s \rightarrow u + e^- + v_{e^-}$

 $d+u \rightarrow s+u.$



$$\frac{d^{2}a}{dr^{2}} + \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}}\frac{d}{dr}(\sqrt{|g|}) + \frac{1}{g^{rr}}\frac{d}{dr}(g^{rr}) - \gamma_{g}\frac{1}{(g^{rr})^{2}}\frac{v}{D}\right]\frac{da}{dr} - \frac{R(a)}{Dg^{rr}} = 0$$

$$D \propto \left(\frac{\mu_{b}}{T}\right)^{2} \text{ and } R(a) = \frac{a^{3}}{\tau} \qquad a(r) = \frac{n_{k}^{2f}(r) - n_{k}^{3f}(r)}{2n_{b}(r)}$$

$$a'' - Xa' - R'(a) = 0$$

Mallick, Singh & Prasad, MNRAS, 507, 1318 (2021)

Weak decay and Stability

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{D}{\tau Y_s}} \frac{1}{\gamma_g g_{rr}^{3/2}} + \frac{D}{\gamma_g g_{rr}^2} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}r} \left(\sqrt{|g|} \right) + g_{rr} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}r} \left(\frac{1}{g_{rr}} \right) \right]$$





Weak decay and GW

For a NS: Mass = 2.0 solar mass Frequency = 50 Hz Distance = 100 Kpc Temp = 0.1 MeV

Bursts type signal







Multitude signal from Phase transition

1. Neutrino generation: energy deposided at the surface $10^{49} - 10^{50}$ Energy budget same as **Gamma Ray Bursts**





Kuzur et al., PRC, 105, 065807 (2022)

Multitude signal from Phase transition

2. Tilt angle evolution: Can evolve upto 20 degrees A sudden evolution (not slow)

Pulsar can suddently go out of line of sight Some may also suddently emerge

3. Change in the continious GW signal





Summary:

- 1. Slow down of a neutron star can induce a quark core seed at the centre of the star
- 2. A shock discontinuity develops at the core and propagates outwards.
- 3. A two-step conversion process: Deconfinement of nucleons to 2-f quark. Weak decay of 2-f quark matter to 3-f quark matter.
- 4. Deconfinement transition happens in microseconds and have bursts type strong GW Signal. Frequency of the signal on the higher side.
- 5. Weak decay transition takes few 100 of milliseconds, also bursts type GW signal. Frequency on the signal in the present detector capacity range.
- 6. PT can also have other type of signals: Neutrino generation, tilt angle evolution.

Problem of Astrophysical Phase transition:

One of the most important discovery of recent times

BH-BH merger GW150914





Shortly after NS-NS Binary merger was detected



Figs: Abbott et al., PRL 119 (2017)



Credit: NASA Visualization Studio

Problem of Astrophysical Phase transition:

Detection of the inspiral part, before the merger

Not only **GW** but also **sGRB** and other **electromagnetic signal** Truely **Multi-messenger** signal

Post-merger signal not detected, expected to have more rich physics



Takami et al., PRL (2014)



Einstein Equation and Numerical relativity



Numerical Relativity: 3+1 Formalism

Foliate 4-d space-time \rightarrow 3-d spacelike hypersurface

 $\begin{array}{l} \gamma_{ab} = g_{ab} + n_a n_b \implies spatial \ metric \\ n^a \implies normal \ vector \\ \beta^i \implies shift \ vector \\ \alpha \implies lapse \ function \end{array}$

$$ds^{2} = -\alpha^{2}dt^{2} + \gamma_{ij} \left(dx^{i} + \beta^{i}dt \right) \left(dx^{j} + \beta^{j}dt \right)$$
$$g_{ab} = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha^{2} + \beta_{l}\beta^{l} & \beta_{i} \\ \beta_{j} & \gamma_{ij} \end{pmatrix} = \gamma_{ab} - n_{a}n_{b}$$



• Foliations of spacetime:





Initial Setup

LORENE code: Binary star code Solves the constraints equation on a hypersurface

Evolution

Einstein Toolkit: solves the evolution equations GW extraction

Equation of State

Hadronic: DD-ME2 Quark: MIT bag model

Mixed phase, Polytropic Fit

3-different onset point (point where mixed phase starts)





Shamim et al, ArXiv:2208. (2022)



Equal Mass binaries



Small binary stars made entirely of hadrons: after merging gives stable configuration

Intermediate mass binaries: hadronic star stable hybrid HMHS ultimately collapses

Heavy mass binaries: Ultimately HMNS/HMHS every star collapses

Equal Mass binaries: 1.2 +1.2

Results shown for equal mass binary of 1.2 + 1.2 solar mass binaries

Difference in the GW signal depending on whether the merger product is HMNS or HMHS

Difference is maximum for stars where mixed phase appears earlier

If mixed phase appears at higher density, GW signal of HMNS and HMHS is almost same

The two peak frequency for all configuration appears at almost same frequency



Unequal Mass binaries: 1.2 + 1.6

Initial configuration: Appearance of mixed phase region even before merging



With hybrid EoS one star has quark core one does not for at least two Hyb EoS

The HMHS where mixed phase appears collapses early

The HMNS reamins stable for the longest time



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Have same baryonic mass as that of 1.4+1.4 equal mass binary merger

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Difference is maximum for stars where mixed phase appears earlier

At the moment of first contact the phase difference spikes momentarily



Unequal Mass binaries: 1.2 + 1.6

The peak frequency is different for HMNS and HMHS

The rotational frequency of HMHSs is higher than that of HMNS



Summary and Conclusion:

- 1. Numerical Relativity is needed for simulating BNSM
- 2. Difference in the GW signature depending on whether merging stars are NS or HS
- 3. After the merger the GW differs between HMNS and HMHS
- 4. Difference is prominent if the quark appearance is at low density

5. The onset point (of mixed phase) and the stiffness of the EoS can be gauged by having several observation of the post-merger phase of BNSM for different binaries.

Research Group



Thank You All

Einstein Equation and Numerical relativity

Extrinsic Curvature

$$K_{ab} = -\gamma_a{}^c \gamma_b{}^d \nabla_c n_d$$
$$= -\nabla_a n_b - n_a a_b$$
$$= -\frac{1}{2} \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{n}} \gamma_{ab}$$



Source term

$$\rho = n_a n_b T^{ab}$$
$$S^i = -\gamma^{ij} n^a T_{aj}$$
$$S_{ij} = \gamma_{ia} \gamma_{jb} T^{ab}$$
$$S = \gamma^{ij} S_{ij}$$

Constraints Equations Hamiltonian

$$R + K^2 - K_{ij}K^{ij} = 16\pi\rho$$

Momentum
$$D_j\left(K^{ij} - \gamma^{ij}K\right) = 8\pi S^i$$

Evolution Equation Spatial metric

$$\partial_t \gamma_{ij} = -2\alpha K_{ij} + D_i \beta_j + D_j \beta^i$$

Extrinsic curvature

$$\partial_t K_{ij} = -D_i D_j \alpha + \alpha \left(R_{ij} - 2K_{ik} K^k{}_j + K K_{ij} \right) - 8\pi \alpha \left(S_{ij} - \frac{1}{2} \gamma_{ij} \left(S - \rho \right) \right) \\ + \beta^k D_k K_{ij} + K_{ik} D_j \beta^k + K_{kj} D_i \beta^k$$