Gravitational Wave Spectrum



Gravitational Wave Spectrum



- Gap between ground-based optical interferometers & LISA
 - Formation of supermassive black holes (SMBHs)?
 - Electroweak phase transition? Cosmic strings?
- Gap between LISA & pulsar timing arrays (PTAs)

LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Black Hole & Neutron Star Masses LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Black Holes LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Neutron Stars EM Black Holes EM Neu Intermediate-Mass 200 SSes black holes? Solar 50 20. 10 5 *************************

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Future Step: Interferometer in Space

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LISA (+ Taiji, TianQin)

How to Make a Supermassive BH?

SMBHs from mergers of intermediate-mass BHs (IMBHs)?



Intermediate Mass Black Holes Identified as Low-Luminosity Active Galactic Nuclei



LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Black Hole & Neutron Stars



LIGO & Virgo Collaborations: arXiv:2009.01075, 2009.01190

Predicted Mass Gap



Standard stellar evolution → no black holes between ~70, 120 solar masses Previous mergers? Primordial black holes? BSM physics to fill in mass gap?

Can New Physics Fill the Mass Gap?

- Mass gap due to pair-production instability: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$
- Could be (partially) filled in by new physics, BUT ...



- Location of mass gap subject to nuclear physics uncertainty in the ${}^{12}C(\alpha, \gamma){}^{16}O$ rate, rotation, ... Woosley & Heger, arXiv:2103.07933
- Gap could have been populated by previous mergers

Gravitational Waves from IMBH Mergers AION



Probe formation of SMBHs Synergies with other GW experiments (LIGO, LISA), test GR

adurina, Buchmueller, JE, Lewicki, McCabe & Vaskonen: arXiv:2108.02468

How to Make a Supermassive BH? Mergers of intermediate-mass BHs (IMBHs)? Estimated merger rates:



Erickcek, Kamionkowski & Benson, astro- ph/0604281

AION Collaboration (Badurina, ..., JE et al): arXiv:1911.11755

AION GW SNR from IMBH Mergers

Map assembly of SMBHs



SNR > 5 out to z > 1 for masses ~ 10⁴ solar

SNR > 10 out to $z \sim 10$ for masses $\sim 10^3$ solar

AION Collaboration (Badurina, ..., JE et al): arXiv:1911.11755 GWs from IMBH Mergers: SNR = 8



Gravitational Memory

 GR predicts that the passage of matter or radiation from an asymmetrically-emitting source causes a permanent change in the local space-time metric - the Gravitational Memory effect

$$h_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x},t) = 4G \int d^3 \mathbf{x}' \left(\frac{S_{\mu\nu}(\mathbf{x}',t-|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}'|)}{|\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{x}'|} \right)$$

Zel'dovich & Polnarev, 1974 Braginskii & Thorne, 1987

• Sourced, e.g., by SN neutrinos

$$h(t) = \frac{2G}{r} \int_{-\infty}^{t-r} dt' L_{\nu}(t') \alpha(t')$$

Epstein, 1978

- Where $L_{\nu}(t)$ is neutrino luminosity, $\alpha(t)$ its anisotropy
- Sketch of typical strain profile
- NB: also nonlinear memory from GWs



Anisotropic Supernova Explosions

- Three-dimensional simulations of supernovae typically exhibit anisotropies
- Anisotropy of neutrino emissions is supported by high velocities of supernova remnants



Supernova Neutrino Emission

- Neutrino luminosity: typical duration of accretion phase $\mathcal{O}(1)$ sec
- Anisotropy of neutrino emissions: fluctuating, % level, typical duration $\mathcal{O}(0.5)$ sec
- Gives order-of-magnitude estimate $\stackrel{\frown}{=}$ of frequency support $\mathcal{O}(1)$ Hz

Mukhopadhyay, Cardona & Lunardini, arXiv:2105.05862



AION/AEDGE Sensitivities to AION Gravitational Memory of Supernova Neutrinos



Badurina, Buchmueller, JE, Lewicki, McCabe & Vaskonen: arXiv:2108.02468

And then? AEDGE:

Atomic Experiment for Dark Matter and Gravity

Exploration in Space

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AEDGE: Abou El-Neaj, ..., JE et al: arXiv:1908.00802

Conceptual Design of Space Experiment



Table 1. List of basic parameters of strontium atom interferometer designs for AEDGE and a benchmark 1-km terrestrial experiment using similar technologies: length of the detector L; interrogation time of the atom interferometer T_{int} ; phase noise $\delta \phi_{noise}$; and the total number of pulses n_p^{\max} , where n is the large momentum transfer (LMT) enhancement and Q the resonant enhancement. The choices of these parameters predominately define the sensitivity of the projection scenarios[45].

Sensitivity	L	$T_{ m int}$	$\delta \phi_{ m noise}$	$n_p^{\max} = 2Q(2n-1) + 1$
Scenario	[m]	[sec]	$[1/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}]$	[number]
Earth-km	2000	5	$0.3 imes 10^{-5}$	40000
AEDGE	$4.4 imes 10^7$	300	10^{-5}	1000



spacecraft

AEDGE: Abou El-Neaj, ..., JE et al: arXiv:1908.00802

Gravitational Waves from IMBHs



Detect mergers of ~ 10^4 solar-mass BHs with SNR 1000 out to z ~ 10, Mergers of ~ 10^3 solar-mass BHs with SNR 100 out to z ~ 100

GWs from IMBH, BH-NS Mergers AION



AEDGE complementary to LIGO, LISA, Einstein Telescope (ET)

Badurina, Buchmueller, JE, Lewicki, McCabe & Vaskonen: arXiv:2108.02468



 With merger of heavier BHs?
 Lower frequencies

JE & Vaskonen: arXiv:2003.13480



Constraints on Graviton Mass



- LIGO/Virgo: <1.76 × 10⁻²³ eV
- AION 1-km: sensitive to 10⁻²⁴ eV with LIGO/Virgo-like 2 event
- Sensitive to 2 × 10⁻²⁵ eV with heavier BHs
- AEDGE: 8 × 10⁻²⁷ eV with BHs 5600 + 4400 solar masses



Lorentz Violation



- AION 1-km: sensitivity 10 × LIGO for $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$
- AEDGE: sensitivity 1000 × LIGO for $\alpha = \frac{1}{2}$

Probing Extensions of the Standard Model



GWs from a First-Order Phase Transition

- Transition by percolation of bubbles of new vacuum
- Bubbles grow and collide
- Possible sources of GWs:
 - Bubble collisions
 - Turbulence and sound waves in plasma
- Models studied:
 - Standard Model + H^6/Λ^2 interaction
 - Standard Model + $U(1)_{B-L} Z'$
- These also have prospective collider signatures

Gravitational Waves from U(1)_{B-L} Phase Transition



Sensitivities to $U(1)_{R-I} Z'$

-2-1 -3 0 2 1 3 LISA AION 100m 0.40 0.40 0.35 0.35 0.30 0.30 ₿B-L 8*B*-*L* 0.25 0.25 **GW** discovery 0.20 0.20 0.15 0.15 sensitivity 10⁵ 10⁶ 107 104 10⁵ 10⁶ 107 10^{4} 10^{8} far beyond mZ'/GeV mZ'/GeV AION 1km AEDGE colliders 0.40 0.40 0.35 0.35 0.30 - R 7-88 0.30 0.25 0.25 0.20 0.20 0.15 0.15 10^{4} 10⁵ 10^{6} 107 108 10^{4} 10⁵ 10^{6} 107 10^{8} mZ'/GeV mZ'/GeV

JE, Lewicki & Vaskonen, arXiv:2007.15586

Probing Cosmic Strings Hint from the NANOGrav pulsar timing array?

Pulsar Timing Arrays

NANOGrav has observed 47 pulsars over 12.5 yrs

NANOGrav Collaboration: arXiv:2009.04496

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Pulsar Timing Data from NANOGrav

"the amplitude ... may imply that the black hole mass function is underestimated, specifically when extrapolated from observations of the local supermassive black hole population"

Cosmic String Interpretation of NANOGrav

"Rainbow curve"
 is cosmic string prediction as a
 function of the cosmic string tension Gµ
 Vertical line is SMBH merger prediction
 Previous PTA upper limits for
 this value of γ

Fits to NANOGrav signal at 1σ (68%), 2σ (95%) levels Compared to previous upper limits (previous NANOGrav superseded)

IE & Lewicki: arXiv:2009.06555

Cosmic String Interpretation of NANOGrav

Cosmic string prediction can be tested in several upcoming experiments (not LIGO)

AEDGE: Bertoldi, ..., JE et al: arXiv:1908.00802

Gravitational Waves from Cosmic Strings AIO

Tension $G\mu < 10^{-11}$ from PTA limit

Badurina, Buchmueller, JE et al: arXiv:2108.02468

Gravitational Waves from Cosmic Strings AIO

Voyage 2050

Final recommendations from the Voyage 2050 Senior Committee

Large missions:

- Moons of the Giant Planets
- Exoplanets
- New Physical Probes of the Early Universe: Fundamental physics and astrophysics

Possible Medium missions:

• ... QM & GR (cold atoms?)

Technology development recommendations for Cold Atom Interferometry

- for gravitational wave detectors in new wavebands ..., detectors for dark matter candidates, sensitive clock tests of general relativity, tests of wave function collapse
- must reach high technical readiness level, be superior to classical technologies
- start with atomic clocks, on freeflyer or ISS?
- M-mission?

Cold Atoms in Space: Community Report & Road-Map

Cold Atoms in Space:

Community Workshop Summary and Proposed Road-Map

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Proposed ESA Road-Map for Cold Atoms in

STE-QUEST Phase 1 Proposal

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Space Time Explorer and QUantum Equivalence principle Space Test Core

A M-class mission proposal in response to the 2022 call in ESA's science program

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STE-QUEST Science: Testing the Equivalence Principle

Class	Elements	η	Year [ref]	Comments
	Be - Ti	2×10^{-13}	2008	Torsion balance
Classical	Pt - Ti	1×10^{-14}	2017	MICROSCOPE first results
	Pt - Ti	(10^{-15})	2022 +	MICROSCOPE full data
	¹³³ Cs - CC	7×10^{-9}	2001	Atom Interferometry
Hybrid	⁸⁷ Rb - CC	$7 imes 10^{-9}$	2010	and macroscopic corner cube (CC)
	³⁹ K - ⁸⁷ Rb	$3 imes 10^{-7}$	2020	different elements
Quantum	⁸⁷ Sr - ⁸⁸ Sr	2×10^{-7}	2014	same element, fermion vs. boson
	⁸⁵ Rb - ⁸⁷ Rb	3×10^{-8}	2015	same element, different isotopes
	⁸⁵ Rb - ⁸⁷ Rb	$3.8 imes 10^{-12}$	2020	10 m tower
	⁴¹ K - ⁸⁷ Rb	(10^{-17})	2037	STE-QUEST
Antimatter	\overline{H} - H	(10^{-2})	2023 +	under construction at CERN

Wave-Function Collapse?

- Transition from quantum to classical behaviour?
- Black holes: information loss across horizon causes pure states → mixed states
- Non-factorising scattering matrix $\rho_{out} = \$ \rho_{in} : \$ \neq SS^{\dagger}$
- Non-Hamiltonian evolution: $\partial_t \rho = i[\rho, H] + \mathscr{H} \rho$ due to information loss via microscopic black holes?
- e.g., 2-state system with equal energies:

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & e^{-\lambda t} \\ e^{-\lambda t} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

• General parametrisation: $e^{-\frac{d}{r_c}}, e^{-\lambda t}$

JE, Hagelin, Nanopoulos, Olive & Srednicki, 1984

Ghirardi, Rimini & Weber, 1986

STE-QUEST Science: Probe of Quantum Mechanics

STE-QUEST Science Programme

Probe the boundaries of our fundamental theories & interfaces between them

