# Gravitational wave detection



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#### **GW Astronomy**

Pulsar timing LISA/LPF/GRACE-C LIGO/Virgo/GEO Future Detectors



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#### "Mass tells space-time how to curve, and space-time tells mass how to move." J.A. Wheeler





### **GR Predictions** from 1916-1918



SpaceTelescope.org/opo9020a

- I. Mercury's perihelion advance 43" / century, first noted by Urbain Le Verrier in 1859
- 2. Gravitational deflection of light

Observed by Eddington during the 1919 eclipse, repeated in 1922 by Lick Observatory

#### 3. Gravitational redshift

Definitively measured by the Pound-Rebka experiment in 1959 using Mössbauer spectroscopy.

#### 4. Gravitational waves

Predicted in 1918, indirectly observed via the orbital dynamics of the Hulse-Taylor binary pulsar, 1974



Gravitational Lens G2237+0305



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### Gravitational waves





(for a man-made system,  $h \sim 10^{-47}$ )

Flat space w/small perturbations:  $g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$ 

Two plane wave solutions as a strain:

$$h_{\pm} = A_{\mu\nu} \exp\left(\kappa_{\alpha} x^{\alpha}\right)$$
$$= \delta L/L$$

for a binary system:

$$|h| \simeq \frac{G^2}{c^4} \frac{M_1 M_2}{r} \frac{1}{R}$$

(Einstein 1916 / 1918) 5







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# PSR 1913+16





Binary NS system  $m_1 \sim m_2 \sim 1.4 \ M_{\odot}$   $r = 1.6 \ x \ 10^6 \ km$   $T_{orbit} = 8 \ hr$ 7.5 kpc from Earth

GR prediction 3mm/orbit

dx/x ~ 1.5 x 10<sup>-23</sup>



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#### **Black holes**

Active Galactic Nuclei Xray Binaries Sagittarius A\*

#### **Neutron Stars:**

Millisecond pulsars Soft Gamma Repeaters

#### **Gamma Ray Bursts**

Long GRBs, core collapse supernova? Short GRBs, compact binary inspirals?

#### Cosmology

Inflation era GWs Dark Energy / Dark Matter Large scale structure formation

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Directly observable with gravitational waves

Accessible with GW astronomy



### NR::Merger\_kicks



First numerically simulated black hole merger in 2005

Exploring spin, mass ratio, eccentricity, 3-body etc...



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#### **Ultrahigh precision cosmology from gravitational waves** C. Cutler and D Holz PRD80, 104009



simulation of NS/NS binaries w/ WMAP5 cosmology as detected by the Big Bang Observer 2nd generation satellite mission

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Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell and the Mullard Radio Astronomy Observatory



# Pulsar timing









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Constraining the Properties of Supermassive Black Hole Systems Using Pulsar Timing: Application to 3c 66b, Jenet et al. ApJ 2004

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# PIRE and IPTA





Partnerships for International Research and Education

\$6.5M / 5yr NSF award for NanoGrav and the IPTA

Actively seeking collaborators:

www.ipta4gw.org

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Kip Thorne c. 1970 image from KipFest 2000



"LISA promises to open a completely new window into the heart of the most energetic processes in the universe, with consequences fundamental to both physics and astronomy." -National Academy

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#### Laser Interferometer Space Antenna

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### LISA is dead...



April 8, 2011. Based on discussions with the European Space Agency (ESA) at the recent ESA-NASA bilateral meeting, we can provide the following information concerning LISA.

LISA was competing with X-ray and outer-planets missions for the L1 opportunity in ESA's <u>Cosmic Vision Programme</u> (2015-2025). *The U.S. decadal survey rankings and NASA's constrained out-year resources, as projected in the President's FY12 Budget Request, have led ESA to conclude that none of the three mission concepts were feasible within the Cosmic Vision L1 schedule.* 

ESA has ended the study of LISA and the other concepts as partnerships at the scale proposed in the New Worlds New Horizons decadal survey (NWNH). ESA has [...] Revised mission concepts from the three science areas will be considered in a selection process commencing in February 2012.

#### http://lisa.jpl.nasa.gov/







- ESA, with the LISA Science Working Team, will review potential changes to the mission:
  - mission requirements: sensitivity; orbits; arm length; duration; operations;
  - architecture: mothership/daughtership; 2 arm
  - payload: optical complexity; single/double TM;
  - propulsion module: based on selected orbit
  - launch vehicle: single/multiple launch scenario
- LISA Pathfinder will continue
- NASA space interferometry will continue



# LISA Pathfinder







### **GRACE-C**













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Rainer Weiss (top) and Ronald Drever with a Weber bar at the LIGO Hanford Observatory, 2002



# GW 0.01





#### $0.02 \lambda = 20 \text{ nm}$ h ~ 2 x 10<sup>-9</sup>





## Initial LIGO











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# Noise Budget



#### L1 Noise Contributions – Range: 33.5 (36.3) Mpc





### Seismic isolation







## Thermal noise





Mechanical equivalent of  $v_n^2 = 4k_bTR$ 

Cryogenic Laser Interferometer Observatory

- Located in Kamioka
- 100 m arm lengths
- Sapphire masses
- Operate at 20K

#### Reduce thermal noise from

- Mirror coatings
- Suspension wires



# Squeezing at GEO





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# 3.5 dB squeezing

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## The GW decade











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### Lower thermal noise



MIrror suspended from monolithic fused-silica suspension

Developed at Glasgow University, tested at MIT

Video filmed March 2010, inspired by Virgo

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### **Observation Rates**



#### Predictions for the rates of compact binary coalescences observable by groundbased gravitational-wave detectors

Classical and Quantum Gravity 27 (2010) 173001

	NS-NS	NS-BH	BH-BH
Rate $(MWEG^{-1} yr^{-1})$	$100^{1000}_{1}$	$3{}^{100}_{0.05}$	$0.4_{0.01}^{30}$
$iLIGO$ $(yr^{-1})$	$0.02^{0.2}_{2\times10^{-4}}$	$0.004_{7 \times 10^{-5}}^{0.1}$	$0.007^{0.5}_{2 imes 10^{-4}}$
$\begin{array}{c} \text{aLIGO} \\ (\text{yr}^{-1}) \end{array}$	$40_{0.4}^{400}$	$10  {}^{300}_{0.2}$	$20{}^{1000}_{0.4}$





# LIGO Australia



3rd aLIGO detector in Western Australia at Gingin (near Perth)

Australia (ACIGA) provides all the infrastructure - buildings, vacuum, clean rooms and staff

No new cost or delay to NSF/LIGO

Approved by NSF, under consideration by Australian funding agencies





### LCGT Funded



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Project led by ICRR @ U Tokyo Large Cryogenic Gravitational wave Telescope Proposal includes: 3 km arms Super attenuators Quiet seismic environment Underground 20 K mirror & suspension

#### http://gw.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp/lcgt/

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# Einstein Telescope





Design study supported under Programme Framework 7

Concept presented May 20, 2011:

- •10km, triangular geometry
- Subterranean, ultra-low seismic environment
- Dual HF, high power/ LF, cryogenic design

Construction ~2018 - 2025

http://www.et-gw.eu/





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# Future is bright



IPTA could see stochastic GW and SMBH in 5-10 years

LISA technology on orbit in 2014, spacecraft interferometry in 2015

1st generation detectors operated at design sensitivity through 2010 Virgo+ and GEO-HF upgrades now taking data

2nd gen. aLIGO 50% complete and on schedule, adVirgo under design. Earliest Science 2015

Chance for 6 (!!) 2nd generation detectors online 2018

