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Interferometric GW detector



Sensitivity of 1st generation detectors



"Reached the design sensitivities"

- Presence (Ma) ME DID IT ME
- Unfortunately no GW found in the 2-year data
- But we proved we can make such good detectors

<u>Big-dog event</u>

In fact, there was a GW event found during a LIGO-Virgo observation in 2010.



It passed all the tests to be announced as the first detection of GW, except the last test, the blind injection: a fake signal added intentionally. At last the big-dog event turned out to be a fake signal.

Science/lessons from the 1G detectors

[Science]

- Upper limits ~ ruling out exotic models
- Multi-messengers ~ neutrino, gamma-rays, etc.

[Instrument]

Confidence

~ roadmap to next generations

Fundamental noise

~ direct observation of noise ~ advanced configuration nature

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LETTERS

An upper limit on the stochastic gravitational-wave background of cosmological origin

The LIGO Scientific Collaboration* & The Virgo Collaboration*

A stochastic background of gravitational waves is expected to arise from a superposition of a large number of unresolved gravitationalwave sources of astrophysical and cosmological origin. It should carry unique signatures from the earliest epochs in the evolution of the Universe, inaccessible to standard astrophysical observations¹. Direct measurements of the amplitude of this background are therefore of fundamental importance for understanding the evolution of the Universe when it was younger than one minute. Here we report limits on the amplitude of the stochastic gravitational-wave background using the data from a two-vear scimirrors² is well suited to measure this differential strain signal due to gravitational waves. Over the past decade, LIGO has built three such multi-kilometre interferometers, at two locations³: H1 (4 km) and H2 (2 km) ishare the same facility at Hanford, Washington, USA, and LI (4 km) is located in Livingston Parish, Louisiana, USA. LIGO, together with the 3 km interferometer Virgo¹⁹ in Italy and GEO²⁰ in Germany, forms a network of gravitational-wave observatories. LIGO has completed science run S5 (between 5 November 2005 and 30 September 2007), acquiring one year of data coincident among H1. H2 and L1. at the interferometer design sensitivities



Upgrades to the 2G detectors



<u>Advanced techniques</u>



60

80

100

120

Time [ms]

140

squeezed vacuum noise

180

160

200



Optical-spring signal enhancement (USA)

Squeezing (Germany)



Huge coating chamber for big mirrors (France)



Funny-shape beam to reduce thermal noise (UK, France)

Japanese cryogenic detectors



- Sapphire mirrors cooled down to 20K
- Underground facility
- Quantum non-demolition techniques

GW detectors and Quantum Mechanics



Quantum Mechanics: "All particles exhibit both wave and particle properties"

Quantum uncertainty could be an issue in a GW detector.

<u>Heisenberg's Uncertainty Principle</u>

Quantum Mechanics tells us that the uncertainties of displacement x and momentum p satisfy

$$\Delta x \Delta p \ge \frac{\hbar}{2} \xrightarrow{\text{reduced Planck constant}} (~1e-34 \text{ J*s})$$

This imposes the Standard Quantum Limit (SQL):

"If we try to increase the accuracy of measuring x, back action degrades the accuracy in later time."

$$\Delta x(\Omega) \ge \sqrt{\frac{2\hbar}{m\Omega^2}}$$

Quantum noise in GW detector

Noise Spectrum (1/rtHz)



There exist ways to overcome the limit

(1) Back-action evasion (BAE): Measure amplitude vacuum fluctuation to compensate radiation pressure noise

Quantum control

(2) Squeeze injection:Change the balance of amp and phase fluctuations using non-linear crystal

Application of quantum optics

(3) Optical spring:
Re-inject the output field to the IFO to create a spring that enhances the susceptibility to gravitational waves

Optomechanical coupling





- \cdot We can try not to see the mirror motion (BAE)
- Or the mass moves more for the same force (Optical spring)

<u>R&D experiments to see</u> the quantum behavior



Toff 29.0 µK 4433

36 uK 543

2.5 uK 360

10.2 uK 1556 64 iiK

255 16 iiK 234 14 iiK

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3rd generation and space detectors



Space telescope LISA (2030~?)

<u>Summary</u>

- 1st generation detectors observed no GW signals but proved that we can achieve such high-sensitivity.
- Various advanced techniques are to be equipped in 2nd and 3rd generation detectors.
- We can even achieve the sensitivity better than the quantum limit imposed by the uncertainty principle.

supplementary slides

Gravitational waves



Newton's gravity "attracting force btw apple and earth"

Einstein's gravity "free fall in a <u>curved space-time</u>"

"Dynamic change of the space-time will propagate as a wave"

> Prediction of GW by Einstein

> > (1916)



- Michelson interferometer in the dark fringe
- Optical resonators to enhance power/signal
- High quality mirrors to lower thermal fluctuations

<u>Sensitivity of the detector</u>

Seismic motion



- Seismic noise at low frequencies
- Thermal noise at middle frequencies
- Quantum noise at middle-high frequencies

<u>Quantum noise</u>



- Vacuum fluctuations entering from the signal extraction port is the noise source.
- The noise level corresponds to $\frac{1}{2}$ photon.
- SNR is determined on the phase quadrature.



BAE = quantum control



Sensitivity with BAE technique



- SQL can be overcome at around a certain frequency
- Optical loss is critical when ζ is far from 90 deg