

Inference of proto-neutron star properties from gravitational wave data in core-collapse supernovae.

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Core collapse supernovae are very important phenomena in the Universe and their expected gravitational waves emission is a promising tool to study the onset of the supernova explosion mechanism. The complexity of the gravitational wave signal due to matter effects and the large degrees of freedom of the phenomena makes the source parameter inference problem very challenging. In this paper, we have considered the proto neutron star oscillation modes that carry out a large fraction of the gravitational wave signal and whose frequency time evolution is linked to the system properties through universal relations as demonstrated in [1]. We have developed a simple algorithm to extract from the gravitational wave data the frequency evolution of the gravity mode. A set of 1D core collapse supernova simulations is used to build a model of evolution of the proto neutron star properties with the gravity mode frequency. The model is then used to infer the time evolution of a combination of the radius and mass of the proto neutron star. We have then estimated the performance of the method by performing simulations with 2D core collapse supernova waveforms covering a progenitor mass range between 11 and 40 solar mass and different equations of state. We have shown that for Advanced LIGO and Advanced Virgo detectors at design sensitivity it will be possible to infer proton neutron star properties for a galactic source, while third generation detectors Einstein Telescope and Cosmic Explorer will allow to test distances of several hundreds of kiloparsec.

I. INTRODUCTION

The life of massive stars (those born with masses between $\sim 8 M_{\odot}$ and $\sim 120 M_{\odot}$) ends with the collapse of the iron core under its own gravity, leading to the formation of a neutron star (NS) or a black hole (BH), and followed (typically but not necessarily in the BH case) by a supernova explosion. Nearby core-collapse supernova (CCSN) explosions are expected to be sources of gravitational waves (GWs) and are one of the main candidates for the next great discovery by current ground-based observatories. However, these are relative rare events. A neutrino-driven explosion [2] is the most likely outcome in the case of slow rotating cores, which are present in the bulk of CCSN progenitors. The emitted GWs could be detected with advanced ground-based GW detectors (Advanced LIGO[3], Advanced Virgo[4] and KAGRA[5]) within 5 kpc [6, 7]. Such a galactic event has a rate of about 2–3 per century [8, 9]. For the case of fast rotating progenitor cores the result is likely a magneto-rotational explosion, with a more powerful GW signal that could be detected within 50 kpc and for some extreme models up to 5 – 30 Mpc [6, 7]. However, only about 1% of the electromagnetically observed events show signatures of fast rotation (broad-lined type Ic SNe [10] or events associated to long GRBs [11]), making this possibility a subdominant channel of detection with an event rate of $\sim 10^{-4} \text{yr}^{-1}$ [add ref?]. Therefore, we focus this work only in neutrino-driven CCSNe. Despite the low

rates, CCSN are of great scientific interest because they produce a complex GW signals which could provide significant clues about the physical processes that occur in the moments after the collapse.

In the last decade, significant progress has been made in the development of numerical codes, in particular in the treatment of multidimensional effects [12]. In the case of neutrino-driven explosions, the GW emission is primarily induced by instabilities developed at the newly formed proto-neutron star (PNS) and by the non-spherical accreting flow of hot matter over its surface [13]. This dynamics excite the different modes of oscillation of the PNS, which ultimately leads to the emission of GWs. The frequency and time evolution of these modes carry information about the properties of the GW emitter and could allow to perform PNS asteroseismology.

The main feature appearing systematically in the GW spectrum of multidimensional numerical simulations is a strong and relatively narrow oscillation in the post bounce evolution with raising frequency from about 100 Hz up to a few kHz (at most) and a typical duration of 0.5 – 1 s. This feature has been interpreted as a continuously excited gravity mode (g-mode, see [14, 15] for a definition in this context) of the PNS [16–21]. In these models the monotonic raise of the frequency of the mode is related to the contraction of the PNS. The typical frequencies of these modes make them a promising source for ground-based interferometers.

The properties of g-modes in hot PNSs have been stud-

ied since the end of last century by means of linear per-
turbation analysis of background PNS models. The oscil-
lation modes associated to the surface of hot PNSs were
first considered by McDermott *et al.* [22]. Additionally,
the stratified structure of the PNS allows for the pres-
ence of different types of g-modes related to the fluid
core [23]. Many posterior works used simplified neutron
star models assuming an equilibrium configuration as a
background, to study the effect of rotation [24], general
relativity [25], non-linearities [26], phase transition [27]
and realistic equation of state [28]. Only recently, there
has been an effort to incorporate realistic backgrounds
based in numerical simulations in the computation of the
mode structure and evolution [1, 29–36].

The eigenmode spectrum of the region within the shock
(including the PNS and the post-shock region) using re-
sults from 2D CCSN numerical simulations as a back-
ground studied in [30, 32] shows a good match to the
mode frequencies computed and the features observed in
the GW spectrum of the same simulation (specially when
space-time perturbations are included [32]). This result
reveals that it is possible to perform CCSN asteroseismol-
ogy under realistic conditions and serves as a starting
point to carry out inference of astrophysical parameters
of PNSs. Authors in [1] went one step further showing
that it was possible to derive simple relations between the
instantaneous frequency of the g-mode and the mass and
radius of the PNS at each time of the evolution. These re-
lations are universal in the sense that they do not depend
on the equation of state (EOS) used or the mass of the
progenitor, and only weakly on the numerical code used
(see discussion in section II). Similar relations have been
found by [35, 36], which also found that the universal re-
lations do not depend on the dimensionality (1D, 2D or
3D) of the numerical simulation used as a background.

In this work, we present a method to infer from the
GW data alone, the time evolution of some properties of
the PNS, namely a combination of its mass and radius.
For this purpose we have developed an algorithm to ex-
tract the time-frequency evolution of the main feature in
the spectrograms of the GW emission of 2D simulations
of CCSN. This feature corresponds to the 2g_2 mode, ac-
cording to the nomenclature used in [1] (different authors
may have slightly different naming convention). Next,
we use the universal relations obtained by [1], based on
a set of 1D simulations, to infer the time evolution of
the ratio $M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$, being M_{PNS} and R_{PNS} the mass
and radius of the PNS. Using 2D CCSN waveform corre-
sponding to different progenitor masses we estimate the
performance of the algorithm for current and future gen-
eration of ground-based GW detectors.

This paper is organised as follows. Section II describes
the details of the CCSN simulations used in the paper.
Section III focuses on the algorithm that extracts the
time evolution of a combination of the mass and radius
of the PNS corresponding to a g-mode. Section IV shows
the performance of the data analysis method with simu-
lated GW detectors data. Finally, we discuss the results

in section V.

II. CORE COLLAPSE SUPERNOVA SIMULATIONS

Unlike other methods used GW astronomy, the al-
gorithm proposed in this work does not require accu-
rate waveforms in order to infer the properties of the
PNS. Instead, it relies on the evolution of the frequency
of oscillation of some particular modes, as seen in the
GW spectrum. The frequency of these modes depends,
in a universal way, on the surface gravity of the PNS
($r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$), in the sense that if at a given time
we observe GW emission at a certain frequency f we can
determine unequivocally the value of the surface grav-
ity, within a certain error, regardless of the details of
the numerical simulation. In this work we use two sets
of simulations: i) The *model set*, composed by 1D sim-
ulations, which is used to build the universal relation
(model), $r(f)$, linking the ratio r with the observed fre-
quency f , and ii) the *test set*, composed by 2D simu-
lations, for which we know both the GW signal and the
evolution of the ratio, $r(t)$, and that is used to test per-
formance of the algorithm.

Both the *model set* and *test set* simulations have
been generated using the numerical relativity code
AENUS-ALCAR [37] which combines special relativistic
(magneto-)hydrodynamics, a modified Newtonian grav-
itational potential approximating the effects of general
relativity [38], and a spectral two-moment neutrino trans-
port solver [37]. We included the relevant reactions be-
tween matter and neutrinos of all flavours, i.e., emission
and absorption by nucleons and nuclei, electron-positron
pair annihilation, nucleonic bremsstrahlung, and scatter-
ing off nucleons, nuclei, and electrons.

For the *model set*, we use the 25 spherically symmet-
ric (1D) simulations of [32] including progenitors with
zero-age main sequence (ZAMS) masses in the range
 $M_{\text{ZAMS}} = 11.2 - 75 M_{\odot}$. The set contains simulations
using the two numerical codes and six different equations
of state. Details can be found in [32]. The reason to use
one dimensional simulations for the model set is that the
computational cost of those is significantly smaller than
the cost of multidimensional simulations, so is easier to
accumulate the statistics necessary to build a good model
for $r(f)$. For each time of each simulation we compute
the ratio r and the frequency of the 2g_2 mode by means
of the linear analysis described in [1, 30, 32].

For the *test set*, we use 8 axisymmetric (2D) simu-
lations using the AENUS-ALCAR code (see Table I
for a list of models). 7 of these simulations use a selec-
tion of progenitors with masses in the range $M_{\text{ZAMS}} =$
 $11.2 - 40 M_{\odot}$ evolved through the hydrostatic phases by
[39]. We performed one simulation of each stellar model
using the equation of state of [41] with an incompress-
ibility of $K = 220 \text{ MeV}$ (LS220) and added comparison

Model name	M_{ZAMS} [M_{\odot}]	progenitor model	EOS	t_{f} [s]	$t_{\text{explosion}}$	$M_{\text{PNS,f}}$ [M_{\odot}]
s11	11.2	[39]	LS220	1.86	×	1.47
s15	15.0	[39]	LS220	1.66	×	2.00
s15S	15.0	[39]	SFHo	1.75	×	2.02
s15G	15.0	[39]	GShen	0.97	×	1.86
s20	20.0	[39]	LS220	1.53	×	1.75
s20S	20.0	[40]	SFHo	0.87	×	2.05
s25	25.0	[39]	LS220	1.60	0.91	2.33
s40	40.0	[39]	LS220	1.70	1.52	2.23

TABLE I. List of axisymmetric simulations used for the *test set*. The last three columns show, the post-bounce time at the end of the simulation, the one at the onset of the explosion (non exploding models marked with ×), and the PNS mass at the end of the simulation.

simulations with the SFHo EOS [42] and the GShen EOS [43] for the progenitor with $M_{\text{ZAMS}} = 15 M_{\odot}$. To this set of simulations, we add the waveform of a two-dimensional model used in [32], denoted **s20S**. It corresponds to a star with the same initial mass, $M_{\text{ZAMS}} = 20 M_{\odot}$, as for one of the other 7 axisymmetric simulations, but was taken from a newer set of stellar-evolution models [40]. It was evolved with the SFHo EOS.

For all the simulations, we mapped the pre-collapse state of the stars to a spherical coordinate system with $n_r = 400$ zones in radial direction distributed logarithmically with a minimum grid width of $(\Delta r)_{\text{min}} = 400 \text{ m}$ and an outer radius of $r_{\text{max}} = 8.3 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}$ and $n_{\theta} = 128$ equidistant cells in angular direction. For the neutrino energies, we used a logarithmic grid with $n_e = 10$ bins up to 240 MeV. Unlike the model set, the simulations in the test set are not 1D because we need to extract the GW signal, which is a multi-dimensional effect. For each simulation the GW signal, $h_+(t)$, is extracted by means of the quadrupole formula and we compute the time evolution of the surface gravity, $r(t)$.

All spherical and most axisymmetric models fail to achieve shock revival during the time of our simulations. Only the two stars with the highest masses, **s25** and **s40**, develop relatively late explosions in axisymmetry. Consequently, mass accretion onto the PNSs proceeds at high rates for a long time in all cases and causes them to oscillate with their characteristic frequencies. The final masses of the PNSs are in the range of $M_{\text{PNS}} = 1.47 - 2.33 M_{\odot}$, i.e., likely insufficient for producing a black hole.

III. METHODS DESCRIPTION

In this section, we outline a strategy for estimating the time evolution of the ratio $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ (in units of solar mass and km) from the observation of the 2g_2 oscillation mode in the GW detector data. An integral

part of this strategy is the universal relations that relate the characteristic frequency of the PNS oscillation f , g and p modes with the mass and the radius of the PNS, the shock radius and the total mass inside the shock as demonstrated in [1].

To build the model of the ratio r as a function of the frequency f we use the spherically symmetric (1D) simulations of the *model set*. Figure 1 shows the data for the 25 numerical simulations. As identified by [1], the only systematic deviation from a single universal relation is the numerical code used in the simulations. Using this data, we parametrize the discretized ratio r_i with a cubic polynomial regression with heteroscedastic errors

$$r_i = \beta_1 f_i + \beta_2 f_i^2 + \beta_3 f_i^3 + \epsilon_i \quad (1)$$

where ϵ_i are assumed to be independent zero-mean Gaussian errors with variances σ_i^2 that increase with frequency f_i . The model for frequency-dependent variances is

$$\log \sigma_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 f_i + \alpha_2 f_i^2 + \delta_i \quad (2)$$

with independent and identically zero-mean Gaussian errors δ_i . The R-package `lmvar` [44] that implements a maximum likelihood approach was used to fit the model.

The best fitting model amongst polynomials of degree 1, 2, and 3 was chosen according to the Aikake information criterion with coefficients given in Table II, which is actually the model defined in (1). The data and fit of the model including 95% confidence bands are displayed in Figure 1.

Coefficient	Estimate	Standard error
β_1	1.00×10^{-06}	2.12×10^{-08}
β_2	-8.22×10^{-10}	5.00×10^{-11}
β_3	1.01×10^{-12}	2.70×10^{-14}
α_0	$-1.02 \times 10^{+01}$	6.80×10^{-02}
α_1	7.24×10^{-04}	1.56×10^{-04}
α_2	6.23×10^{-07}	8.15×10^{-08}

TABLE II. Estimate and standard error of the coefficients of the best fit model describing the ratio $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ as function of the frequency of the 2g_2 mode.

We use this model to infer the properties of the simulations in the *test set* described in in Section II. To describe the method we focus on the GW signal of **s20S**, originally sampled at 16384 Hz but resampled at 4096 Hz. A spectrogram of this signal is shown in Figure 2 based on autoregressive estimates [add ref?] of the local spectra for successive time intervals of **length 200** with a **90%** overlap. The dominant emission mode corresponds to the PNS oscillation 2g_2 -mode. We have developed a time-frequency method to track the ridge $m(t)$ in the spectrogram, taking into account that it is monotonically increasing as time goes. This is a property of the 2g_2 -mode, the frequency of which increases as the object

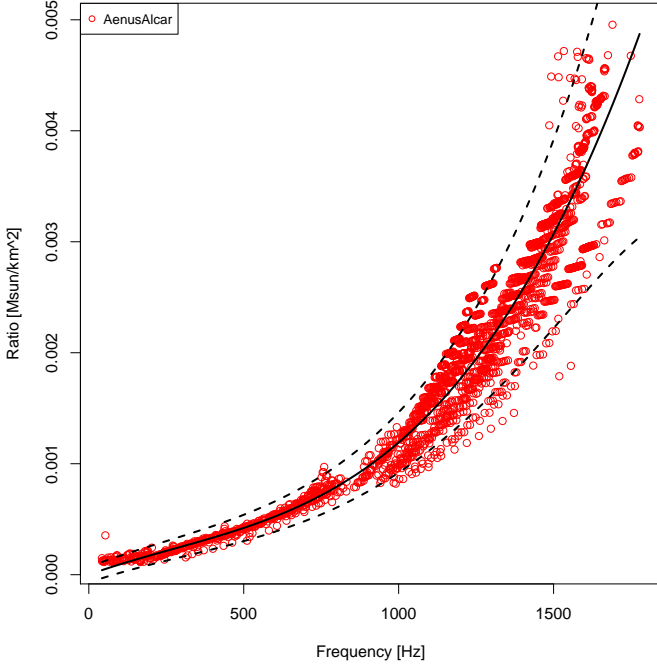


FIG. 1. Ratio $M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ from 25 1D simulations using AENUS-ALCAR code. The solid line is the maximum likelihood estimate of heteroscedastic cubic model with 95% confidence bands (dashed lines) considering the 18 simulation data points.

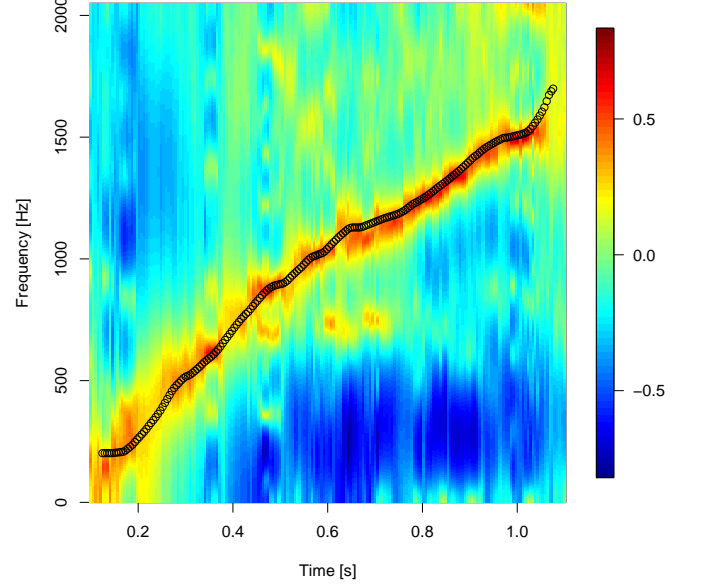


FIG. 2. Spectrogram of the GW signal `s20S` sampled at 4096 Hz. The spectrogram is obtained using data stretch of 200 samples overlapping at 90% with each other.

becomes more massive and compact. Starting from either the left- or right-most column of the time-frequency matrix we identify and trace the sequence of amplitude peaks within a certain frequency band given the monotonicity constraint. Appendix A is providing more details on the reconstruction of the g mode ridge.

We collect the instantaneous frequency $f(t_i)$ corresponding to the ridge $m(t_i)$ for the midpoint t_i of each local time interval of the spectrogram and interpolating $f(t)$ for values in between the t_i . We then use our model given by Eq. (1) to obtain estimates of the time evolution of the ratio together with 95% confidence intervals. An example is given in Figure 3 where the red points are the point estimates and the grey bands represent 95% confidence bands. Ratio values computed using the mass and radius values obtained from the simulation code (true values) are shown in black. In this example of a GW signal without noise the coverage of our 95% confidence band is 100% of the true values. In the next section we investigate the performance of the reconstruction of $r(t)$ when the GW signal is embedded in noise.

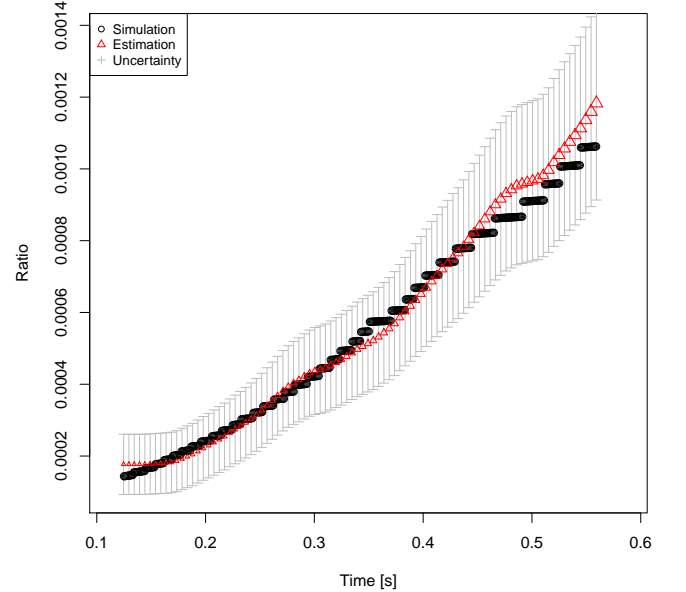


FIG. 3. Ratio $M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ as function of time extracted from the 2g_2 -mode of the `s20S` signal (red points and the 95% confidence belt in grey) compared to the ratio value derived from the PNS mass and radius given by the simulation code (black points).

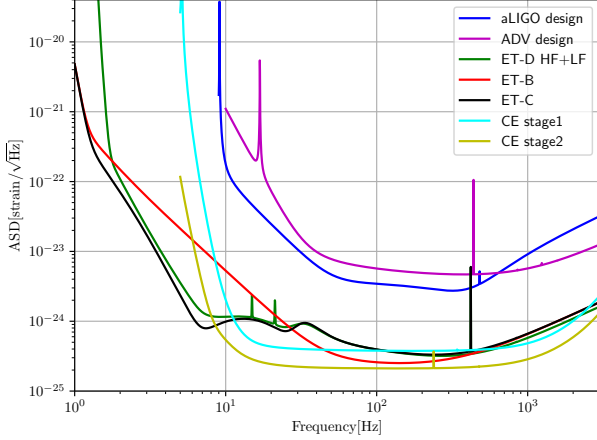


FIG. 4. Amplitude spectral density of the GW detectors Ad-
vanced LIGO (aLIGO) and Advanced Virgo (ADV) at de-
sign sensitivity and of the proposed third generation detectors
Cosmic Explorer and Einstein Telescope. Einstein Telescope
sensitivity curve ET-B is obtained pushing second genera-
tion detector technology at its limit. ET-C and ET-D
sensitivity curves correspond to a detector configuration where a
low-power cryogenic low-frequency interferometer and a high-
power room temperature high-frequency interferometer are
sharing the same infrastructure [46]. Cosmic Explorer design
sensitivity will be achieved in two stages. Stage 1 (CE1) is ex-
pected to use the technology developed for the “A+” upgrade
to Advanced LIGO but scaled up to a 40 km detector while
stage 2 (CE2) will implement state-of-the-art technology to
decrease quantum and thermal noises [47].

IV. DETECTION SENSITIVITY WITH ADVANCED GRAVITATIONAL WAVE DETECTORS

To estimate how accurately we can infer the time evo-
lution of $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ in a single detector GW data,
we have added the GW signal s20S to 100 Gaussian noise
realisations whose power spectral density follows the Ad-
vanced LIGO (aLIGO) spectrum [45] shown on Figure 4.

We have covered a large range of distances for which
a detection in second generation of GW detectors is fea-
sible. The source is optimally oriented with respect to
the GW single detector. We are assuming a GW sig-
nal from a core collapse phenomena has been identified
in the data and that the beginning of the GW signal is
known within $O(10 \text{ ms})$. The data (signal embedded in
noise) are whitened using the function *prewhiten* of the
R-package TSA. An auto-regressive model with maximal
100 coefficients has been used.

For each of the noise realizations, we reconstruct the
ratio time series r_i of length N starting from the left side
of the spectrogram and constraining the beginning of the
track to be smaller than 200 Hz. The reconstructed ratio
is then compared to the “true” ratio r_i^0 derived from the
PNS mass and radius computed from the s20S simula-

tion.

Figure 5 shows the distribution of the fraction of the
ratio r_i^0 values that fall within the 95% confidence in-
terval of r_i . This quantity, *coverage*, is taking maximal
values when the source is located within few kpc and then
decreases with the distance.

To better quantify how well we reconstruct the ratio,
we have also considered Δ the mean over the track of the
relative error of r_i .

$$\Delta = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{|r_i - r_i^0|}{r_i^0} \quad (3)$$

Δ values of each of the 100 noise realisation are shown
as well as function of the distance on Figure 5. For a
source located up to $\sim 9 \text{ kpc}$ the relative error remains
smaller than 20%. At small distances, Δ is small but not
null. This reflects the approximation of the model used
for r . It is nevertheless remarkable that, on average, one
can reconstruct the ratio time series with a good precision
at distance up to $\sim 9 \text{ kpc}$ for this particular waveform,
with *coverage* value larger than 80%. There are few noise
realizations for a source located at $< 9 \text{ kpc}$ for which
 Δ takes large values, indicating that the method start
failing to reconstruct with accuracy the ratio.

We have tested that the method does not depend on
features of s20S using the 7 other waveforms of the *test*
set described in section II covering a large range of pro-
genitor masses.

Figure 6 shows that apart from s11 and to a lesser ex-
tent s20S, the ratio is well reconstructed for all waveforms
up to $\sim 15 \text{ kpc}$. In an effort to better determine the max-
imal distance of the source at which we can reconstruct
the ratio we have run 100 simulations without injecting a
signal and have measured *coverage* for the reconstructed
ratios. The median of *coverage* as well as the 95 quartile
are shown on Figure 6. The noise only median value is
null in this case, but it can be different from zero because
the g-mode reconstruction algorithm is looking for a con-
tinuously frequency increasing track in the spectrogram,
starting between 0 and 200 Hz, where we expect the GW
signal to be. This is enhancing the probability of overlap.
This effects explains why outliers can reach values as high
as 80%. Figure 7 shows Δ as function of the distance for
the same signals as well as the result when only noise is
considered. In Table III we are reporting the distance
 d_r at which *coverage* median is lower than 95% of the
noise only values. We have checked that *coverage* and Δ
provide similar values. These numbers are an estimate of
the order of magnitude of the source maximal distance at
which a reconstruction of the ratio could be possible with
current GW detectors. They are also upper limits as we
are taking into account the detector antenna response in
our simulation but consider the source is optimally ori-
ented. Table III reports also d_r for the Advanced Virgo
detector at design sensitivity. Results are very similar to
aLIGO, despite the detector sensitivity differences. Note

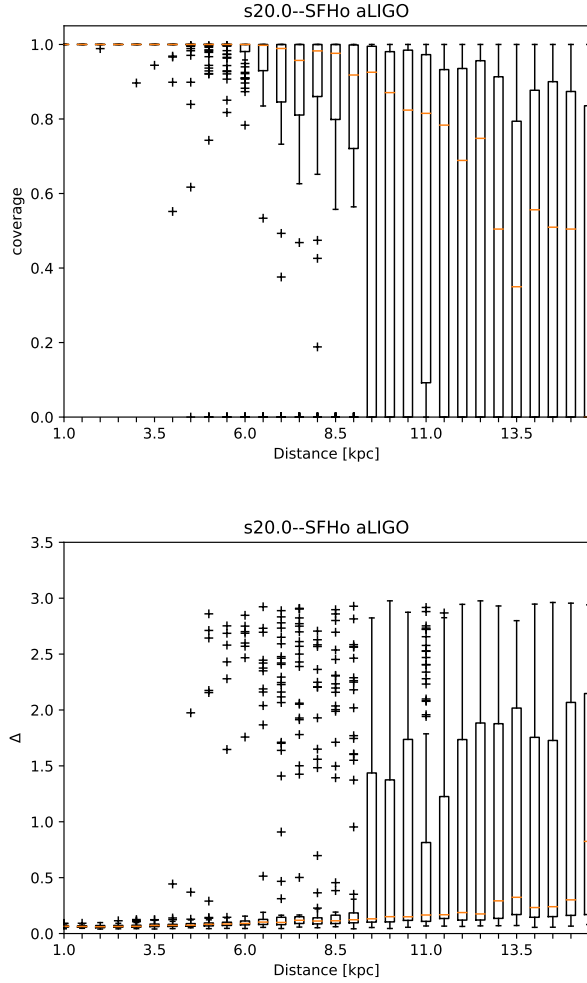


FIG. 5. Boxplots of the *coverage* (upper panel) and Δ (lower panel) for s20S signal embedded in aLIGO noise at different distances from the Earth. 100 noise realizations are considered for each distance.

that Table III provides the distance at which one could detect a source optimally oriented with a matched filter signal-to-noise ratio of 13.

The same analysis has been performed using expected sensitivity curves for the third generation of GW detectors. In Europe the Einstein Telescope project proposes to host in a 10-km equilateral triangle configuration 3 low-power low-frequency cryogenic interferometers as well as 3 high-power high-frequency interferometers. Three sensitivity curves, ET-B, ET-C and ET-D corresponding to different options and stages of the project [46] are considered in this study. The US based project Cosmic Explorer [47] is proposing to reach its design sensitivity circa 2040 through two phases labeled CE1 and CE2 also shown in Figure 4.

Figure 8 shows Δ as function of the source distance for s20S waveform for the five 3G detector configurations. Overall, the ratio is well reconstructed up to distances

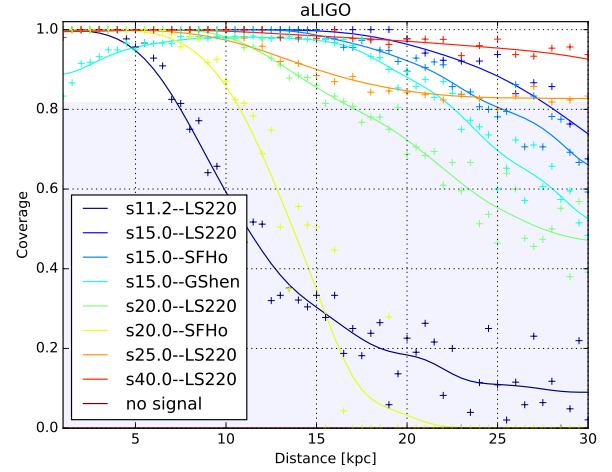


FIG. 6. Median of *coverage* for 8 CCSN waveforms embedded in aLIGO noise and located at different distance from the Earth. The “no signal” line and band show the median and first and third quartile of *coverage* in absence of any signal.

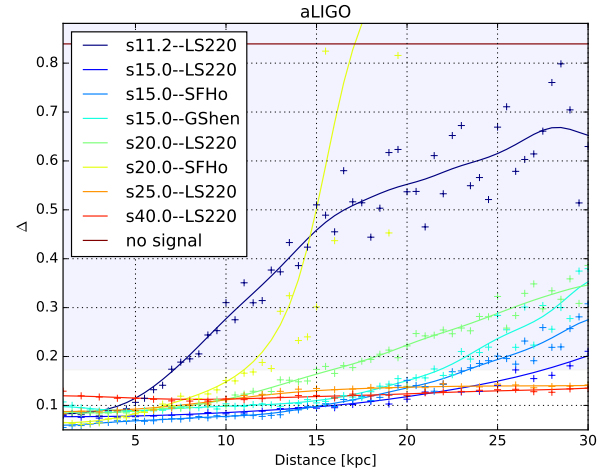


FIG. 7. Median of Δ for 8 CCSN waveforms embedded in aLIGO noise and located at different distance from the Earth. The “no signal” line and band show the median and first and third quartile of Δ in absence of any signal.

in the range 100–200 kpc which represents an improvement of a factor 10 with respect to Advanced LIGO and Advanced Virgo detectors. We can also note that the Einstein Telescope results lay in between the 2 Cosmic Explorer results. This is confirmed for all other waveforms, expect s25 for which the maximal distance reach in CE2 is significantly lower than CE1. This is partly due to the small variation of the reconstruction quality to the distance of the source making the estimation of d_r rather uncertain for this waveform. All results are summarized in Table III and Figure 9. It is remarkable that with 3G detectors the ratio could be reconstructed for

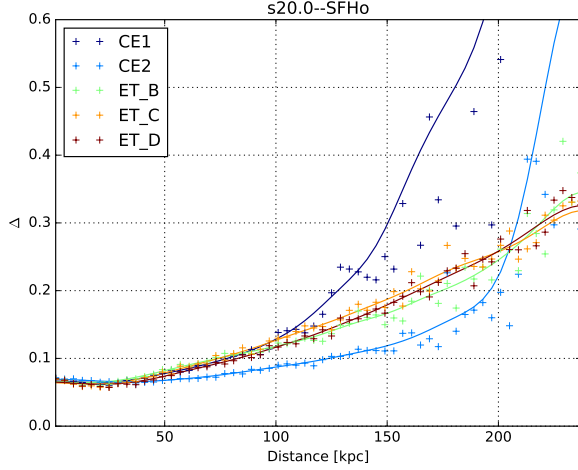


FIG. 8. Median of Δ for s20S CCSN waveform embedded in 3G detectors noise and located at different distance from the Earth.

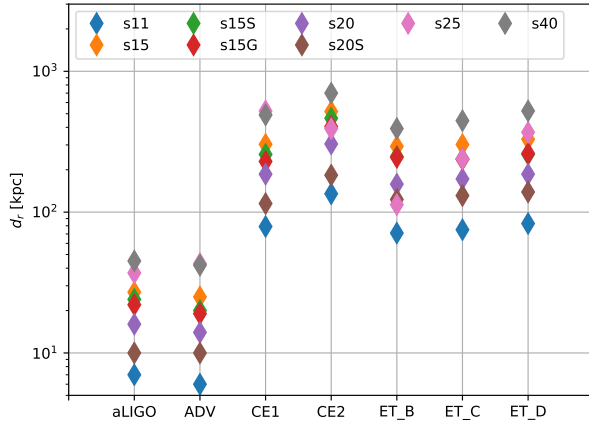


FIG. 9. Maximal distance d_r in kpc at which the ratio $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ is reconstructed with good accuracy for a source optimally oriented with respect to the GW detectors for the 7 CCSN waveforms considered in this study.

sources located up to several hundred of kpc. It is nevertheless important to note the rather wide range obtained for the different waveforms probing a large range of progenitor masses. We did not find any correlation between the mass of the progenitor and d_r , nor the equation of state. On the other hand, the quality of the ratio reconstruction depends on the signal-to-noise ratio, expressed in Table III by d_{det} .

		s11	s15	s15S	s15G	s20	s20S	s25	s40
aLIGO	d_r	7	28	24	22	16	11	38	46
	d_{det}	11	36	26	27	21	16	74	61
ADV	d_r	7	26	20	19	15	10	43	42
	d_{det}	10	32	22	23	18	13	64	52
CE1	d_r	79	304	258	229	187	115	524	490
	d_{det}	115	377	270	282	217	168	774	633
CE2	d_r	135	499	451	405	305	183	391	898
	d_{det}	197	649	468	489	375	294	1347	1100
ET_B	d_r	71	293	248	245	158	123	113	392
	d_{det}	106	364	274	391	216	200	805	665
ET_C	d_r	75	302	239	237	172	131	239	446
	d_{det}	97	332	246	260	194	164	727	603
ET_D	d_r	83	329	257	261	186	139	369	523
	d_{det}	107	368	271	285	213	174	796	661

TABLE III. Maximal distance d_r at which the ratio $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ is reconstructed with good accuracy for a source optimally oriented with respect to the GW detectors considered in this study. d_{det} is the distance at which one could detect a source optimally oriented with a matched filter signal-to-noise ratio of 13 in the different GW detectors. All distances are expressed in kpc.

V. CONCLUSION

The algorithm presented in this paper is a first attempt to infer the time evolution of a combination of the mass of the PNS and its radius based on the universal relations found in PNS asteroseismology. More precisely, we have considered in this paper the ratio $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ derived from the observation of the 2g_2 oscillation mode in the GW data. We have especially investigated the performance of the algorithm in the case of an optimally oriented source detected in a single GW detector. For Advanced LIGO or Advanced Virgo, the ratio can be reconstructed for a source in the Galaxy. We have shown that this is true for a wide range of progenitor masses and that the quality of the inference mainly depends on the signal-to-noise ratio of the signal. For third generation of GW detectors such as Einstein Telescope and Cosmic Explorer, the 2g_2 will be reconstructible for sources at distances of several kpc. Cosmic Explorer in its stage 2 configuration is obtaining the best performance for all waveforms considered here thanks to its excellent sensitivity in the 100-1000 Hz range. Among the three configuration of Einstein Telescope, ET-D is providing the best performance, especially for the waveforms with the highest progenitor mass (25 M_{\odot} and 40 M_{\odot}). Comparing d_r for ET-B and the other third generations projects, it seems that having a good sensitivity below 200 Hz is important for massive mass progenitor signals.

This study does not include the realistic case of operating within a network of detectors. The sources of GWs we have considered here are optimally oriented. The re-

ported distance at which we can infer the time evolution of $r = M_{\text{PNS}}/R_{\text{PNS}}^2$ are thus an upper limit that may be lower by a factor 2–3 on average for a source located anywhere on the sky. We defer a more realistic simulation implementation for a forthcoming publication.

Finally, this method can be adapted to other PNS oscillation modes, changing few parameters such as the frequency range of the beginning of the mode and its monotonic raise or descent. Being able to reconstruct several modes in the same GW signal would allow to infer individually each of the PNS property.

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Appendix A G-MODE RECONSTRUCTION

Given the spectrogram and an specified time interval for the g-mode reconstruction, our proposal method works as follows. The starting point must be specified. It can be either at the beginning or at the end of the signal. Then, in one of these extremes, the maximum energy value is identified, registering its frequency. This is done independently for a number of consecutive time intervals. Then we calculate the median of these frequency values, providing a robust starting value for the g-mode reconstruction.

The starting frequency value is the first g-mode estimate for the first or the last time interval, depending on the specified starting location. If the reconstruction is set

to start at the beginning of the signal, the reconstruction will be done progressively over the time intervals, where each maximum frequency value will be calculated within a frequency range specified by the previous g-mode estimate. Given the non-decreasing behaviour of the true g-mode values, the g-mode estimates will be forced to be greater or equal than the one estimated for its previous time interval, and lower than a specified upper limit. As a result, the g-modes estimates will be a non-decreasing sequence of frequency values.

If the reconstruction is set to start at the end of the signal, the g-modes will be estimated backward in time. Each maximum frequency is calculated within a range determined by its successor (in time) g-mode estimate. These estimates are forced to be lower or equal than its successor (in time) estimate, but greater than a specified lower limit. Thus, a non-decreasing sequence of g-mode estimates is guaranteed. This g-mode reconstruction method works if and only if the signal is strong enough to provide information about the g-mode, which is reflected in the spectrogram.

Given the sequence of g-mode estimates, the confidence band will be calculated by using the model defined in (1). The g-mode estimates are frequency values which we use as predictors in the model in order to generate confidence intervals for the ratios. Since the g-mode estimates are indexed by time, the confidence intervals for the ratios are too. Thus, we generate the confidence band by interpolating the lower and upper limits of the collection of consecutive confidence intervals, which will be valid for the time range of the g-mode estimates. This confidence band is used to estimate the coverage probabilities in our simulation studies presented above.

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