

Characterization of the stochastic signal originating from compact binary populations as measured by LISA

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Gravitational waves

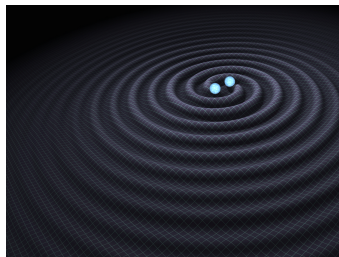
Ripples in space-time caused by accelerated masses.

Einstein field equations

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad |h| \ll 1$$

$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu} = h_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}\eta_{\mu\nu}h$$



Credit: R. Hurt (Caltech-IPAC)

Gravitational waves

Lorenz gauge: $\partial_\mu \bar{h}^{\nu\mu} = 0$

Wave equation

$$\square \bar{h}_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

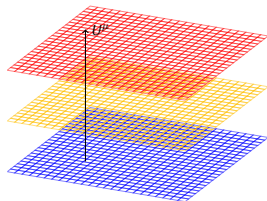
$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu} = A_{\mu\nu} \exp(ik_\alpha x^\alpha)$$

Transverse traceless gauge:

$$\bar{h}_{\mu\nu} U^\mu = 0 \text{ and } \bar{h}_\mu{}^\mu = 0$$

$$16 \xrightarrow{\text{symetry}} 10 \xrightarrow[\text{gauge}]{\text{Lorenz}} 6 \xrightarrow[\text{gauge}]{TT} 2$$

$$h_{\mu\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_+ & h_\times & 0 \\ 0 & h_\times & -h_+ & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

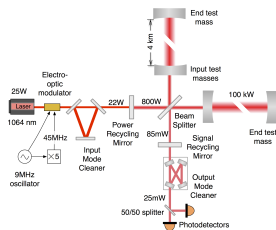


LIGO Structure

Giant Michelson interferometer



Credit: Caltech/MIT/LIGO Lab

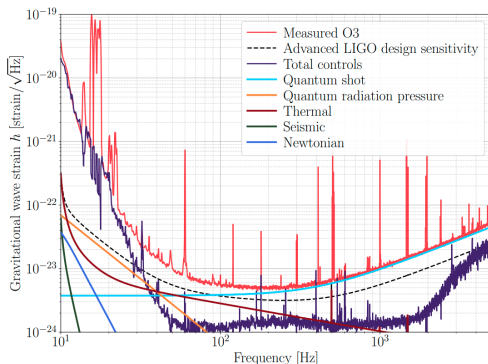


Credit: D. V. Martynov et al, 2018

$$S(t) = h(t) + n(t)$$

LIGO Noise budget

Hanford detector



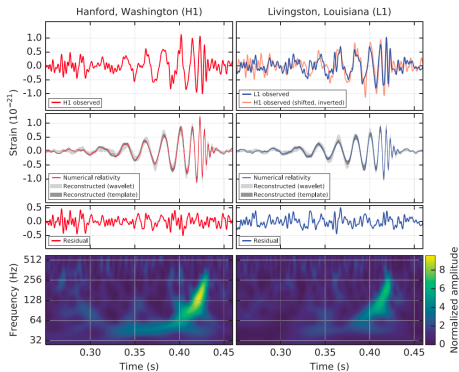
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Dominant noise:

- Quantum shot in high frequency
- seismic noise in low frequency

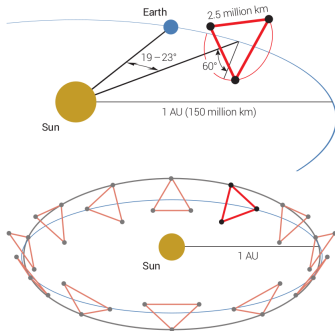
First detection

GW150914

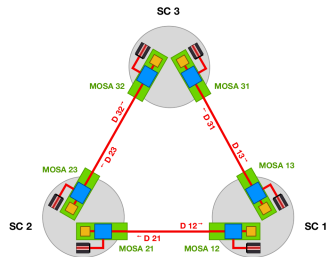


Credit: B. P. Abbott et al., 2016

Laiser Interferometer Space Antenna

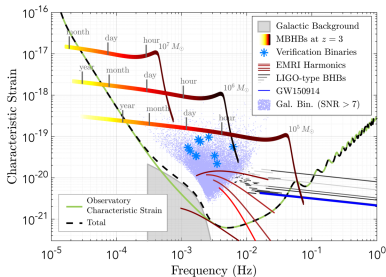


Credit: Karsten Danzmann et al., 2017



Credit: Jean-Baptiste Bayle et al., 2021

LISA Band



Credit: Karsten Danzmann et al., 2017

GW sources in LISA band

- ☐ Supermassive black hole binaries (SMBHBs)
- ☐ Stellar-mass black hole binaries (SBBHBs)
- ☐ Ultracompact galactic binaries (CGBs)
- ☐ extreme mass ratio inspiral (EMRIs)
- ☐ stochastic GW background

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- remaining signals will affect the sensitivity as extra noise (confusion noise)

Overview

- Simulating around 30 milion CGBs from Radler LISA data challenge dataset
- Simulating the instumental noise using the LISA code simulator
- For each T_{obs} generate the idealized dataset in the frequency domain
- Apply the method to find the final sensitivity
- Fit the data with theoretical curve

Methode

- Assumption: Bright sources with a signal-to-noise ratio larger than a given threshold are detected and characterized without systematic bias or source confusion.

SNR

$$\rho_{tot}^2 = \sum_k (h_k | h_k), \quad k: \text{noise-orthogonal TDI variables}$$

$$h_k | h_k = 4 \int_0^\infty df \frac{|\tilde{h}_k(f)|^2}{\tilde{S}_n(f)}, \quad \tilde{S}_n(f) : \text{one-sided PSD}$$

$$\tilde{S}_n(f) = \tilde{S}_{instr}(f) + \tilde{S}_{conf}(f)$$

Methode

- 1 Simulating 30 millions CGBs
- 2 Calculating the PSD of the signal and the instrumental noise
- 3 Calculating the SNR of each source with respect to the instrumental noise (ρ_i^{iso})
- 4 Stimating the SNR of each source using either a running mean or median on the power spectrum of the data (ρ_i)
- 5 If $\rho_i > \rho_0$ the source will be subtracted from the data
- 6 iterate the process

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Our Group

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Reference

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Thank you!