# **NANOGRAV 2016 Meeting Schedule**

(Draft 2.5)

## Wednesday

Dedicated to Timing, Instruments and Noise.

Morning Sessions: Hameetman Auditorium, Cahill

Afternoon Sessions: Keck Center

#### Session 0:

8:30 - 8:40 Welcome and Logistics (LOC, SOC); State of NANOGrav (Siemens)

#### Session 1:

8:40 - 10:00 Timing Chair: Michael Lam

8:40 - 8:50	Timing Group Update (Nice)
8:55 - 9:10	NANOGrav 11-year data set (Demorest)
9:15 - 9:25	High-Precision gamma-ray Timing via MCMC (Ransom)
9:30 - 9:40	Long-term pulse profile stability in NANOGrav MSPs (Brook)
9:45 - 9:55	New Update From Pint (Luo)

#### **Coffee Break**

10:00 - 10:15

#### Session 2:

10:15 - 11:40 Instrumentation & Noise

Chair: Megan Jones

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10:15 - 10:30 The Murchison Widefield Array (Kaplan)
10:35 - 10:45 Low Frequency Observations of MSPs with the LWA (Stovall)
10:50 - 11:00 Pulsar Timing With the Deep Space Network (Majid)
11:05 - 11:15 Polarization Calibration of the Arecibo Dataset (Gentile)
11:20 - 11:30 Breakthrough Listen at the GBT (Croft)
11:30 - 11:40 How much ISM noise is present in our data? (Stinebring)
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#### Lunch

11:40 - 1:00

#### Session 3:

1:00 - 3:00 Break out Session # 1 (Keck Center)

1:00 - 2:00 Timing - Think Center (Keck Center)

Astrophysics - Black Hole (Tolman-Bacher House)

2:00 - 3:00 Timing - Think Center (Keck Center)

Detection - Black Hole (Tolman-Bacher House)

#### **Coffee Break**

3:00 - 3:30

Mental Health Seminar: the 100 hour work-week and other myths of success

3:30 - 5:00

## **Thursday**

Dedicated to Gravitational Wave Sources, Modelling, and Outreach

Morning Sessions: Hameetman Auditorium, Cahill

Afternoon Sessions: Keck Center

#### Session 1:

9:00 - 10:00 Gravitational Wave Sources and Modeling

Chair: Joe Simon

9:00 - 9:10 Constraining massive gravity with PTAs (Smith)

9:15 - 9:25 Carrying the physics of black-hole binary evolution into gravitational-wave models for pulsar-timing arrays (Taylor)

9:30 - 9:40 When do anisotropic searches 'win'? (Sampson)

9:45 - 9:55 Measuring the Red Noise Model in the NANOGrav Nine-Year Data Set (Lam)

#### **Coffee Break**

10:00 - 10:15

#### Session 2:

10:15 - 11:35 Gravitational Wave Sources and Modeling, Outreach and Evaluations

Chair: Thankful Cromartie

10:15 - 10:25 Probing Galaxy Evolution Parameters with PTA Observations (Simon)

10:30 - 11:00 MBH Mergers and GWs from the Illustris Cosmological Hydrodynamic

Simulations (Kelley; invited talk)

11:05 - 11:15 Update from the ARCC program (Jenet)

11.15 - 11.20 The Pulsar Search Collaboratory (McLaughlin)

#### 11:20 - 11:30 Talk on Evaluation findings (Martone)

#### Lunch

11:30 - 12:45

#### Session 3:

12:45 - 2:45 Break out Session # 2 (Keck Center)

12:45- 1:45 IMM/Noise budget - Think Tank (Keck Center)

Outreach - Black Hole (Tolman-Bacher House)

1:45 - 2:45 Detection (protocols) - Think Tank (Keck Center)
Cyber I - Black Hole (Tolman-Bacher House)

#### **Coffee Break**

2:45 - 3:00

#### **Diversity Session: Understanding Identity and Unconscious Bias**

Presentation by Erin-Kate Escobar of the Caltech Center for Diversity (Keck Center)

3:00-4:30

### Fred Lo: Looking back on NANOGrav

Andrea Lommen introduces Fred Lo (Keck Center) 4:30-5:00

#### 6.30pm Conference Dinner

Bar Celona, <a href="http://www.barcelonapasadena.com">http://www.barcelonapasadena.com</a> Old Town, Pasadena Informal honoring of Fred Lo

## **Friday**

Dedicated to Gravitational Wave Detection, Protocols and International Collaboration

Morning Sessions: Hameetman Auditorium, Cahill

Afternoon Sessions: Cahill meeting rooms

#### Session 0:

8:30 - 8:45 Detection Working Group update (Ellis)

#### Session 1:

8:50 - 10:25 Gravitational Wave Detection and Protocols

Chair: Kristina Islo

8:50 - 9.05	NANOGrav 9yr GWB anisotropy update (Mingarelli)
9:10 - 9:25	NANOGrav 9yr continuous wave update (Ellis)
9:30 - 9:45	Scaling Laws and Time to Detection for a Broken-Power-Law Stochastic
Background (Vigeland)	
9:50 - 10:05	Towards solving the pulsar timing sampling problem (van Haasteren)
10:10-10:25	The Bridge: New Features (Lommen)

## Depart for Sarah Burke-Spolaor's LIGO talk or Additional WG time

10:30am Hilton Hotel11:00am Sarah's talk11:30am Depart for Caltech

## Session 2: LIGO detection talk with pizza lunch (Jonah Kanner)

12:15 - 1:15 Hameetman Auditorium, Cahill

#### **Session 3: BWM Discussion**

1:15 - 2:00, Chair: Dusty Madison and Justin Ellis

#### Coffee Break:

2:00 - 2:30 pm

#### Session 4: The IPTA and NANOGrav

2:30 - 3:30 pm Chair: Maura McLaughlin

### Session 5: Future Direction of NANOGrav -- thoughts on comments from Fred Lo

3:45 - 4:45 pm Chair: Xavi Siemens, Andrea Lommen; Hameetman Auditorium

### **Closing Remarks**

4:45 - 5:00pm