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Multiple physical elements to determine the gravitational-wave signatures of core-collapse supernovae

Éléments physiques multiples déterminant les signatures des ondes gravitationnelles de supernovas à effondrement de cœur

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ABSTRACT

We review recent progress in the theoretical predictions of gravitational waves (GWs) of core-collapse supernovae. Following a brief summary of the methods in the numerical modeling, we summarize multiple physical elements that determine the GW signatures which have been considered to be important in extracting the information of the long-veiled explosion mechanism from the observation of the GWs. We conclude with a summary of the most urgent tasks to make the dream come true.

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RÉSUMÉ

Nous passons en revue les progrès récents en matière de prédition théorique d'émission d'ondes gravitationnelles par les supernovae gravitationnelles. Après un bref survol des méthodes numériques, nous récapitulons les éléments physiques qui déterminent les signatures en ondes gravitationnelles considérées comme essentielles pour extraire les informations encore cachées à l'observation du mécanisme d'explosion de supernova. Nous concluons par un résumé des tâches urgents à accomplir pour que ce rêve devienne réalité.

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1. Introduction

Massive stars in the approximate mass range of 8 to 100 solar masses (M_{\odot}) end their lives as core-collapse supernovae. They have long attracted the attention of astrophysicists because they have many aspects playing important roles in astrophysics. They are the mother of neutron stars and black holes; they play an important role for acceleration of cosmic rays; they influence galactic dynamics triggering further star formation; they are gigantic emitters of neutrinos and gravitational waves. They are also a major site for nucleosynthesis, so, naturally, any attempt to address human origins may need to start with an understanding of core-collapse supernovae (SNe).

Current estimates of core-collapse SN rates in our Galaxy predict one event every $\sim 40 \pm 10$ year [1]. When a massive star undergoes a core-collapse SN in our Galactic center, copious numbers of neutrinos are produced, some of which may

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be detected on the earth. Such “supernova neutrinos” will carry valuable information from deep inside the core. In fact, the detection of neutrinos from SN1987A (albeit in the Large Magellanic Cloud) opened up the *neutrino astronomy*, which is an alternative to conventional astronomy by electromagnetic waves [2,3]. Even though there were just two dozen neutrino events from SN1987A, these events have been studied extensively (yielding ~ 500 papers) and have allowed us to have a confidence that our basic picture of the supernova physics is correct (e.g., [4], see [5] for a recent review). If a supernova occurs in our Galactic center (~ 10 kpc), about 10,000 $\bar{\nu}_e$ events are estimated to be detected by Super-Kamiokande (SK) [6] (e.g., [7,8]). Those successful neutrino detections are important not only to study the supernova physics but also to unveil the nature of neutrinos itself such as the neutrino oscillation parameters and the mass hierarchy (e.g., [9] for a recent review).

Core-collapse SNe are now about to start even another astronomy, *gravitational-wave astronomy*. Currently long-baseline laser interferometers such as LIGO (USA) [10], VIRGO (Italy),¹ GEO600 (Germany),² and TAMA300 (Japan) [11] are currently operational and preparing for the first observation (see, e.g., [12] for a recent review), by which the prediction by Einstein’s theory of General Relativity (GR) can be confirmed. These instruments are being updated to their *Advanced* status, and may start taking data, possibly detecting GWs for the first time, as soon as 2015 (see [13] for a recent review). In fact, *Advanced* LIGO/VIRGO, which is an upgrade of the initial LIGO and VIGRO, are expected to be completed by 2015 and will increase the observable detection volume by a factor of ~ 1000 [14]. The Large-scale Cryogenic Gravitational-wave Telescope (LCGT [15]) in Japan was funded in late 2010, which is being built under the Kamioka mine and is expected to take its first data in 2016 (recently LCGT is renamed as “KAGRA”). At such a high level of precision, those GW detectors are sensitive to many different sources, including chirp, ring-down, and merger phases of black-hole and neutron star binaries (e.g., [16–18]), neutron star normal mode oscillations (e.g., [19]), rotating neutron star mountains (e.g., [20]), and core-collapse supernova explosions (e.g., [21–23] for recent reviews), on the final of which we focus in this article.

According to the Einstein’s theory of general relativity (e.g., [24]), no GWs can be emitted if gravitational collapse of the supernova core proceeds perfectly spherically symmetric. To produce GWs, the gravitational collapse should proceed aspherically and dynamically. Observational evidence gathered over the last few decades has pointed towards core-collapse SNe indeed being generally aspherical (e.g., [25–27,53] and references therein). The most unequivocal example is SN1987A. The HST images of SN1987A are directly showing that the expanding envelope is elliptical with the long axis aligned with the rotation axis inferred from the ring ([26], see however [28] for a recent counter argument). The aspect ratio and position angle of the symmetry axis are consistent with those predicted earlier from the observations of speckle and linear polarization. What is more, the linear polarization became greater as time passed (e.g., [25,29,30]), a fact which has been used to argue that the central engine of the explosion is responsible for the non-sphericity (e.g., [31,32]). From a theoretical point of view, clarifying what makes the dynamics of the core deviate from spherical symmetry is essential in understanding the GW emission mechanism. Here it is worth mentioning that GWs are primary observables, which imprint a live information of the central engine, because they carry the information directly to us without being affected in propagating from the stellar center to the earth. On the other hand, SN neutrinos, which are affected by the well-known Mikheyev-Smirnov-Wolfenstein (MSW) effect (e.g., [33]) in propagating the stellar envelope, may be rather indirect in extracting the information of the central engine compared to GWs.³

The breaking of the sphericity in the supernova engine has been also considered as a most important ingredient to understand the explosion mechanism, for which supernova theorists have been continuously keeping their efforts for the past ~ 40 years. Albeit being a topic of hot debate yet, current multi-dimensional (multi-D) simulations based on refined numerical models show several promising scenarios. Among the candidates are the neutrino heating mechanism aided by convection and hydrodynamic instabilities of the supernova shock (e.g., [35] for a review), the acoustic mechanism [36], or the magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) mechanism (e.g., [21] see references therein).

Putting things together, the multi-dimensionality determines the explosion mechanism, in turn we may extract the information that traces the multi-dimensionality by the SN messengers, which would be only possible by a careful analysis primary on GWs as well as neutrinos, and photons. In this review article, we hope to bring together findings from recent multi-D supernova simulations and the obtained predictions of the GWs so far (for GWs from other high-energy astrophysical sources such as magnetars, gamma-ray bursts, and coalescing binaries, see [37–41] for recent reviews). Before moving on to the next sections, we first have to draw a caution that the current generation of numerical results that we report in this article and the associated predictions of the GW emission should depend on the next-generation calculations by which more sophistication can be made not only in determining the efficiency of neutrino-matter coupling (the so-called neutrino transport problem), but also in the treatment of general relativity. Therefore we provide here only a snapshot of the moving (long-run) documentary film that records our endeavors for making our dream of “GW astronomy of core-collapse supernovae” come true.

¹ <http://www.ego-gw.it/>.

² <http://geo600.aei.mpg.de/>.

³ However they can be a useful tool like a tomography to monitor the density profile in the stellar mantle, which is expected to tell us the evolution of the supernova shock (e.g., [34] for a recent review).

2. On core-collapse supernova simulations

In order to extract a true astrophysical GW signal from the confusing detector noises, we need not only require sensitive detectors, but also extensive data analysis of the detector output based on reliable theoretical estimates for the GW signals. In most cases, a detailed numerical modeling is required to make the precise prediction of the dynamics for the GW sources. As will be summarized briefly in this section, SN modelers have been keeping their efforts to this end for these +45 years.

The abstract in the paper by Colgate and White in 1966 [42], who reported the first SN simulation finished with the sentence, “*The energy release (at the moment of explosion) corresponds to the change in gravitational potential of the unstable imploding core; the transfer of energy takes place by the emission and deposition of neutrinos*”.⁴ As well known, this is the essence of the so-called neutrino-heating mechanism of core-collapse supernovae. The mechanism was first proposed to occur in a prompt manner, but was later reinforced by Bethe and Wilson [43–45] to take a currently prevailing delayed form, in which a stalled bounce shock is revived by neutrino energy deposition to trigger explosions in several hundred milliseconds after bounce. The mechanism has been the working hypothesis of supernova theorists for these ~ 45 years (see collective references in Janka et al. (2007) [35] that was presented in the Bethe Centennial Volume in Physics Report, and also a summary given in Section 2 of Nordhaus et al. (2010) [46]).

However, one important lesson we have learned from a series of the most up-to-date simulations [47–51] which implemented the best input physics and numerics to date, is that the mechanism fails to blow up canonical massive stars⁵ in spherical symmetric (1D) simulations. Pushed by supernova observations of the blast morphology (e.g., [25,53]) mentioned above, it is now almost certain that the breaking of the spherical symmetry is the key to solve the supernova problem. So far a number of multi-D hydrodynamic simulations have been reported, which *demonstrated* that hydrodynamic motions associated with convective overturn (e.g., [54–58]) as well as the Standing-Accretion-Shock-Instability (SASI, e.g., [59–70] see references therein) can help the onset of the neutrino-driven explosion.

To test the neutrino heating mechanism in the multi-D context, it is of crucial importance to solve accurately the neutrino-matter coupling in spatially non-uniform hydrodynamic environments. For the purpose, one ultimately needs to solve the six-dimensional (6D) neutrino radiation transport problem (three in space, three in the momentum space of neutrinos), thus the supernova simulation has been counted as one of the most challenging tasks in numerical astrophysics (e.g., [71] for a recent review). In the final sentence of the last paragraph, we wrote “demonstrated” because the neutrino heating was given by hand as an input parameter in most of the simulations cited above (see, however [57,58]). The neutrino heating proceeds dominantly via the charged current interactions ($\nu_e + n \rightleftharpoons e^- + p$, $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightleftharpoons e^+ + n$) in the gain region. The neutrino heating rate in the gain region can be roughly expressed as [72] $Q^+ \propto L_\nu \langle \mu_\nu \rangle^{-1} / r^2$ where L_ν is the neutrino luminosity emitted from the surface of neutrino sphere and it determines the amplitude of the neutrino heating as well as cooling, and r and $\langle \mu_\nu \rangle$ is the distance from the stellar center and the flux factor,⁶ respectively (e.g., [72]). For example, L_ν is treated as an input parameter in the so-called “light-bulb” approach (e.g., [56]). This is one of the most prevailing approximations in recent 3D simulations [68,69,73,46,74] because it is handy to study multi-D effects on the neutrino heating mechanism (albeit on the qualitative grounds). To go beyond the light-bulb scheme, L_ν should be determined in a self-consistent manner. For the purpose, one needs to tackle with neutrino transport problem, only by which energy as well as angle dependence of the neutrino distribution function can be determined without any assumptions. Since the focus of this review is on GWs, a detailed discussion of various approximations and numerical techniques taken in the recent radiation-hydrodynamic SN simulations cannot be provided. Table 1 is not intended as a comprehensive compilation, but we just want to summarize milestones that have recently reported exploding models so far. The table will be useful in later sections when we discuss the GW signatures obtained in some of these simulations.

In Table 1, the first column (“Progenitor”) shows the progenitor model employed in each simulation. The abbreviation of “NH”, “WHW”, and “WW” means Nomoto and Hashimoto (1988) [75], Woosley, Heger, and Weaver (2002) [76], and Woosley and Weaver (1995) [77]. The second column shows SN groups with the published or submitted year of the corresponding work. “MPA” stands for the core-collapse SN group in Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics led by H.T. Janka and E. Müller. “Princeton+” stands for the group chiefly consisting of the staffs in the Princeton University (A. Burrows), Caltech (C.D. Ott), Hebrew University (E. Livne) and their collaborators. The SN group in the Basel university is led by M. Liebendörfer and F.K. Thielemann. “OakRidge+” stands for the SN group mainly consisting of the Florida Atlantic University (S. Bruenn) and the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (A. Mezzacappa, O.E.B. Messer) and their collaborators. NAOJ+ is the SN group chiefly consisting of the staffs in the National Astronomical Observatory of Japan (myself, T. Takizaki), Kyoto university (Y. Suwa), Waseda University (S. Yamada), and their collaborators. The third column represents the mechanism of explosions which are basically categorized into two (to date), namely by the neutrino-heating mechanism (indicated by “ ν -driven”) or by the acoustic mechanism (“Acoustic”). “Dim.” in the fourth column is the fluid space dimensions which is one-, two-, or three-dimension (1, 2, 3D). The abbreviation “N” stands for ‘Newtonian’, while “PN”—for ‘Post-Newtonian’—stands for some attempt at inclusion of general relativistic effects, and “GR” denotes full relativity. t_{exp} in the fifth column indicates an approximate typical timescale when the explosion initiates and E_{exp} represents the explosion energy normalized by Bethe

⁴ I boldly added several words in (...) for making the meaning of the sentence complete.

⁵ Except for $8\text{--}9 M_\odot$ stars (e.g., [52]).

⁶ This quantity represents the degree of anisotropy in neutrino emission; $\langle \mu_\nu \rangle \sim 0.25$ near at the neutrino sphere, $\langle \mu_\nu \rangle = 1$ in the free-streaming limit ($r \rightarrow \infty$) (e.g., Janka (2001) [72]).

Table 1

Selected lists of recent neutrino-radiation hydrodynamic milestones reported by many SN groups around the world (“Group”), which obtained explosions by the neutrino-heating mechanism (indicated by “ ν -driven”) or the acoustic mechanism (“Acoustic”) (see text for more details).

Progenitor	Group (Year)	Mechanism	Dim. (Hydro)	t_{exp} (ms)	$E_{\text{exp(B)}} @ t_{\text{pb}}$ (ms)	ν transport (Dim, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$)
$8.8 M_{\odot}$ (NH88 [75])	MPA [52,78] (2006)	ν -driven	1D/2D (PN)	~ 200	0.1 (~ 800)	Boltzmann 2, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$
	Princeton+ [79] (2006)	ν -driven	2D (N)	$\lesssim 125$	0.1 –	MGFLD 1, (N)
$10 M_{\odot}$ (WHW02 [76])	Basel [80] (2009)	$\nu+(QCD \text{ transition})$	1D (GR)	255	0.44 (350)	Boltzmann 2, (GR)
$11 M_{\odot}$ (WW95 [77])	Princeton+ [79] (2006)	Acoustic	2D (N)	$\gtrsim 550$	$\sim 0.1^*$ (1000)	MGFLD 1, (N)
$11.2 M_{\odot}$ (WHW02 [76])	MPA [81,82] (2006, 2012)	ν -driven	2D (PN C-GR)	~ 100 ~ 200	$\sim 0.005, 0.030$ ($\sim 220, 900$)	“RBR” Boltzmann 2, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$
	Princeton+ [83] (2007)	Acoustic	2D (N)	$\gtrsim 1100$	$\sim 0.1^*$ (1000)	MGFLD 1, (N)
	NAOJ+ [84] (2011)	ν -driven	3D (N)	~ 100	0.01 (300)	IDSA 1, (N)
	Oak Ridge+ [85] (2009)	ν -driven	2D (PN)	~ 300	0.3 (1000)	“RBR” MGFLD 1, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$
$13 M_{\odot}$ (WHW02 [76]) (NH88 [75])	Princeton+ [83] (2007)	Acoustic	2D (N)	$\gtrsim 1100$	$\sim 0.3^*$ (1400)	MGFLD 1, (N)
	NAOJ+ [86] (2010)	ν -driven	2D (N)	~ 200	0.1 (500)	IDSA 1, (N)
	MPA [87,82] (2009, 2012)	ν -driven	2D (PN C-GR)	~ 600 ~ 400	0.025, 0.125 ($\sim 700, 800$)	“RBR” Boltzmann 2, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$
$15 M_{\odot}$ (WW95 [77]) (WHW02 [76])	Princeton+ [83]	Acoustic	2D (N)	–	–	MGFLD 1, (N)
	OakRidge+ [85] (2009)	ν -driven	2D (PN)	~ 300	~ 0.3 (600)	“RBR” MGFLD 1, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$
	Princeton+ [83] (2007)	Acoustic	2D (N)	$\gtrsim 1200$	$\sim 0.7^*$ (1400)	MGFLD 1, (N)
$25 M_{\odot}$ (WHW02 [76])	Princeton+ [83] (2007)	Acoustic	2D (N)	$\gtrsim 1200$	–	MGFLD 1, (N)
	Oak Ridge+ [85] (2009)	ν -driven	2D (PN)	~ 300	~ 0.7 (1200)	“RBR” MGFLD 1, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$
$27 M_{\odot}$ (WHW02 [76])	MPA [88] (2012)	ν -driven	2D C-GR	$\gtrsim 120$	–	“RBR” Boltzmann 2, $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$

(= 10^{51} erg) given at the post-bounce time of t_{pb} , both of which are attempted to be sought in literatures.⁷ In the final column of “ ν transport”, “Dim” represents ν momentum dimensions and the treatment of the velocity dependent term in the transport equations is symbolized by $\mathcal{O}(\nu/c)$. The definition of the “RBR”, “IDSA”, and “MGFLD” will be given soon in the following.

Due to the page limit of this article, we have to start the story only after 2006 (see, e.g., Janka et al. (2007) [35] for a grand review, and also Cardall (2005) [89] for a similar table before 2006). The first news of the exploding model was reported by the MPA group. By using their MuDBaTH code which includes one of the best available neutrino transfer approximations, they reported 1D and 2D explosions for the $8.8 M_{\odot}$ star by NH88 whose progenitor has a very tenuous outer envelope with steep density gradient, which is a characteristic property of AGB stars. Also in 1D, the Basel+ group reported explosions for 10 and $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitors of WHW02 triggered by the hypothesized first-order QCD phase transition in the protoneutron star (PNS). To date, these two are the only modern numerical results where the neutrino-driven mechanism succeeded in 1D. In the 2D MPA simulations, they obtained explosions for a non-rotating $11.2 M_{\odot}$ progenitor of WHW02 [81], and then for a $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor [87] of WW95 with a relatively rapid rotation imposed.⁸ They newly brought in the so-called “ray-by-ray” approach (indicated by “RBR” in the table), in which the neutrino transport is solved along a given radial direction assuming that the hydrodynamic medium for the direction is spherically symmetric. This method, which reduces the 2D problem partly to 1D, fits well with their original 1D Boltzmann solver [47].⁹ For 2D hydrodynamic simulations with the ray-by-ray transport, one needs to solve the 4D radiation transport problem (two in space and two in the neutrino momentum space). Regarding the explosion energies obtained in the MPA simulations, their values at their final

⁷ But if we cannot find them, we remain them as blank “–”.

⁸ By comparing the precollapse angular velocity to the one predicted in a recent stellar evolution calculation [90].

⁹ Note that the ray-by-ray approach has an advantage compared to other approximation schemes, such that it can fully take into account the available neutrino reactions (e.g., [91] for references therein) and also give us the most accurate solution for a given angular direction.

simulation time are typically underpowered by one or two orders of magnitudes to explain the canonical supernova kinetic energy ($\sim 10^{51}$ erg). However the explosion energies presented in their figures are still growing with time, and they could be as high as 1 B if they were able to follow a much longer evolution as discussed in [81]. More recently, it was reported in [82] that more energetic explosions are obtained for the 11.2 and 15 M_{\odot} stars in their GR 2D simulations compared to the corresponding post-Newtonian models (e.g., [87]). In the table, the data in italic character represent their most up-to-date results based on the 2D GR simulations using conformally-flatness approximation (e.g., [92,93], indicated by “C-GR” in the table). Very recently, by using the same 2D radiation-hydro module as in [82], the Garching group obtained explosions for 8.1 and 27 M_{\odot} progenitors of WHW02 [88]. Note in the table that we choose to present only the case of the 27 M_{\odot} star, which is currently the most massive progenitor exploded by the neutrino-heating mechanism.

Fully 2D multi-angle Boltzmann transport simulations became practicable by the Princeton+ group [94,95]. In this case, one needs to handle the 5D problem for 2D simulations (two in space, and three in the neutrino momentum space). However, this scheme is very computationally expensive currently to perform long-term supernova simulations.¹⁰ In fact, the most recent 2D work by [95] succeeded in following the dynamics until ~ 400 ms after bounce for a non-rotating and a rapidly rotating 20 M_{\odot} model of WHW02, but explosions seemingly have not been obtained in such an earlier phase either by the neutrino-heating or the acoustic mechanism.

In the table, “MGFLD” stands for the Multi-Group Flux-Limited Diffusion scheme which eliminates the angular dependence of the neutrino distribution function (see, e.g., Bruenn (1985) [96] for more details). For 2D simulations, one needs to solve the 3D problem, namely two in space, and one in the neutrino momentum space. By implementing the MGFLD algorithm to the CHIMERA code in a ray-by-ray fashion (e.g., [85]), Bruenn et al. (2009) [97] obtained neutrino-driven explosions for non-rotating progenitors in a relatively wide range in 12, 15, 20, 25 M_{\odot} of WHW02 (see table). These models tend to start exploding at around 300 m after bounce, and the explosion energy for the longest running model of the 25 M_{\odot} progenitor is reaching to 1 B at 1.2 s after bounce [85].

On the other hand, the 2D MGFLD simulations implemented in the VULCAN code [79] obtained explosions for a variety of progenitors of 11, 11.2, 13, 15, 20, and 25 M_{\odot} not by the neutrino-heating mechanism but by the acoustic mechanism.¹¹ The acoustic mechanism relies on the revival of the stalled bounce shock by the energy deposition via the acoustic waves that the oscillating protoneutron stars (PNSs) would emit in a much delayed phase (~ 1 second) compared to the conventional neutrino-heating mechanism (~ 300 –600 milliseconds). If the core pulsation energy given in Burrows et al. (2007) [83] could be used to measure the explosion energy in the acoustic mechanism, they reach to 1 B after 1000 ms after bounce.¹² The additional energy input from acoustic waves is very appealing, but it may remain a matter of vivid debate and has yet to be confirmed by other groups.

By performing 2D simulations in which the spectral neutrino transport was solved by the isotropic diffusion source approximation (IDSA) scheme [98], the NAOJ+ group reported explosions for a non-rotating and rapidly rotating 13 M_{\odot} progenitor of NH88. They pointed out that a stronger explosion is obtained for the rotating model comparing to the corresponding non-rotating model. The IDSA scheme splits the neutrino distribution into two components (namely the streaming and trapped neutrinos), both of which are solved using separate numerical techniques (see, Liebendörfer et al. (2009) [98] for more details). The approximation level of the IDSA scheme is basically the same as the one of the MGFLD. The main advantage of the IDSA scheme is that the fluxes in the transparent region can be determined by the non-local distribution of sources rather than the gradient of the local intensity like in MGFLD. A drawback in the current version of the IDSA scheme is that heavy lepton neutrinos (ν_{χ} , i.e., ν_{μ} , ν_{τ} and their anti-particles) as well as the energy-coupling weak interactions have yet to be implemented. Extending the 2D modules in Suwa et al. (2009) [86] to 3D, they recently reported explosions in the 3D models for an 11.2 M_{\odot} progenitor of WHW02 (Takiwaki et al. (2012) [84]). By comparing the convective motions as well as neutrino luminosities and energies between their 2D and 3D models, they pointed out whether 3D effects would help explosions or not is sensitive to the employed numerical resolutions. They argued that next-generation supercomputers are at least needed to draw a robust conclusion of the 3D effects.

Having summarized a status of the current supernova simulations, one might easily see a number of issues that remain to be clarified. First of all, the employed progenitors usually rather scatter (e.g., Table 1). Different SN groups seem to have a tendency to employ different progenitors, providing different results. By climbing over a wall which may have rather separated exchanges among the groups, a detailed comparison for a given progenitor needs to be done seriously in the multi-D results (as have been conducted in the Boltzmann 1D simulations between the MPA, Basel+, and Oak Ridge+ groups [99]).

In addition to the importance of 3D modeling as mentioned above, a more complete “realistic” supernova model should naturally include GR with magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) with multi-D GR Boltzmann neutrino transport, in which a microphysical treatment of equation of state (EOS) and nuclear-neutrino interactions are appropriately implemented. Unfortunately none of the currently published SN simulations satisfy the “ultimate” requirement. In this sense, all the mentioned

¹⁰ So the energy-coupling reactions such as the inelastic neutrino-electron scattering which makes the computational cost even more expensive are yet to be implemented.

¹¹ For the 8.8 M_{\odot} progenitor, they obtained a neutrino-driven explosion (see Table 1).

¹² Due to the ambiguity of the relation between the pulsation energy and the explosion energy, an asterisk is added in the table.

studies employ some approximations (albeit with different levels of sophistication) for multiple physical ingredients (for example, as listed in Table 1¹³).

In the same way, theoretical predictions of the GWs that one can obtain by analyzing the currently available numerical results, cannot unambiguously give us the final answer yet. Again we hereby note the feature of this article which shows only a snapshot of the moving theoretical terrain. Keeping this caveat in mind, it is also true that a number of surprising GW features of core-collapse SNe have been reported recently both by the first-principle simulations (e.g., in Table 1), and also by idealized simulations in which explosions are parametrically initiated mostly by the light-bulb scheme. As will be mentioned in the next section, the latter approach is also useful to get a better physical understanding of the GW signatures obtained in the first-principle simulations.¹⁴ We are now ready to move on to focus on the GW signatures from the next section.

3. GW signatures

We first start to present a short overview concerning possible emission sites of GWs in core-collapse SNe so far proposed by a number of extensive studies (Section 3.0.1, see also [21–23] for recent reviews). The most up-to-date results regarding the GW signatures emitted near bounce in the case of rapidly rotating core-collapse, have been already given in the recent review by Ott (2009) (e.g., Section 4 in [22]). So in this article, we mainly focus on the GWs in the post-bounce phase in the context of neutrino-driven explosion models and also on the post-bounce GWs expected in MHD explosions, which will be described separately in Sections 3.1 and 3.2.

3.0.1. A short overview

The paper in 1982 by E. Müller of the MPA entitled as “*Gravitational Radiation from Collapsing Rotating Stellar Cores*” unquestionably opened our eyes to the importance of making the GW prediction based on realistic SN numerical modeling (see, e.g., Section 2 in [22] for a summary of more earlier work which had mainly focused on the GW emission in very idealized systems such as in homogeneous spheroids and ellipsoids).¹⁵ As one may expect from the title of his paper, rapid rotation, if it would exist in the precollapse iron core, leads to significant rotational flattening of the collapsing and bouncing core, which produces a time-dependent quadrupole (or higher) GW emission. Following the first study by Müller, most studies of the past thirty have focused on the so-called bounce signals (e.g., [108–122] and references therein).

As summarized by Ott (2009) [22], a number of important progresses have been recently made to understand features of the bounce signals by extensive 2D GR studies using the conformal-flat-condition (CFC) approximation [118–120] and also by fully GR 3D simulations [115] both including realistic EOSs and a deleptonization effect based on 1D-Boltzmann simulations [123]. Due to the page limit of this article, we are only able to touch on them in Section 3.2.

For the bounce signals having a strong and characteristic signature, the iron core must rotate enough rapidly. Although the role of rapid rotation in combination with magnetic fields is attracting great attention as an important key in understanding the dynamics of collapsars and magnetars (e.g., Section 3.2), recent stellar evolution calculations predict that such a extreme condition can be realized only in a special case [124]¹⁶ (~1% of massive star population). In addition, the pre-collapse rotation periods are estimated to be larger than ~100 s [126] to explain the observed rotation periods of radio pulsars. In such a slowly rotating case, the detection of the bounce signals becomes very hard even by next-generation detectors for a supernova in our Galaxy (~10 kpc, e.g., [113,115]).

Besides the rapid rotation, anisotropic matter motions associated with convection and anisotropic neutrino emission in the post-bounce phase are expected to be primary GW sources with comparable amplitudes to the bounce signals. Thus far, various physical ingredients have been studied for producing the post-bounce asphericities, including post-shock convection [127], precollapse density inhomogeneities [128,127,129,58], moderate rotation of the iron core [130], non-axisymmetric rotational instabilities [131,132], g-modes [133] and r-modes pulsations [134] of PNSs, and more recently by the Standing-Accretion-Shock Instability (SASI, [135–139]). In the multi-D modeling of stellar evolution, significant progresses have been recently made (e.g., [140] and references therein), however the degree of initial inhomogeneities in the iron core seems still uncertain. Studies of non-radial instabilities in PNSs and cold NSs with their emission processes of GWs have a long history (e.g., Section 7 in [22] for references therein). The numerical studies to this end generally treat the microphysics in a very phenomenological manner (like by a polytrope EOS), so there may remain a further room for sophistication. Among the candidate GW emission mechanisms, we therefore choose to focus on relatively well understood parts at first in the next section (Section 3.1), which is the GW produced by convection and anisotropic neutrino emission.

¹³ However it is also worth mentioning that a rush of nice work to this end has been reported recently including new schemes towards the GR radiation-hydrodynamic simulations [100–104] and new sets of supernova EOSs [105–107].

¹⁴ In this sense, these two approaches are complimentary in understanding the GW signatures.

¹⁵ Needless to say, this kind of approach is still very important to extract the physics of the GW emission mechanism.

¹⁶ Which experiences the so-called chemically homogeneous evolution [125].

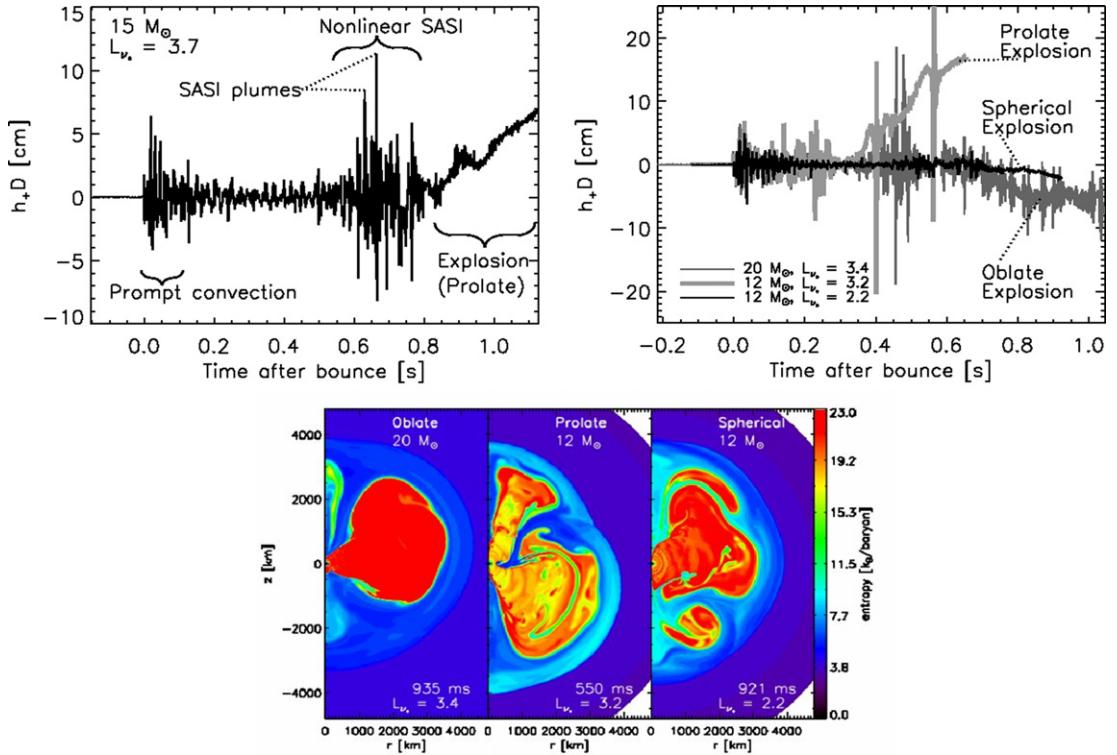


Fig. 1. Samples of gravitational waveforms in 2D parametric explosion models (by courtesy of Murphy and the coauthors [139]). Top left panel shows matter GWs obtained for a $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor model [76] with an input neutrino luminosity of $L_{\nu_e} = 3.7 \times 10^{52}$ erg/s. Three typical GW emission sites are clearly indicated, which are “Prompt convection (after bounce up to ~ 50 ms after bounce)”, “Postshock convection” (then till 550 ms after bounce, unless the word is shown in the plot), “Non-linear SASI with SASI plumes” (then till ~ 800 ms after bounce), and “Explosion (then afterwards)”. The top right panel shows that the GW amplitudes monotonically increase or decrease with time in the “Explosion” phase reflecting the geometry of the expanding shock (bottom panel), which is either prolate (increase), oblate (decrease), or spherical (in-between). In each panel, the chosen progenitor models of [76] are given in each panel by $12, 20 M_{\odot}$ and the input luminosity is indicated by the value of L_{ν_e} in unit of 10^{52} erg/s.

3.1. Gravitational waveforms in neutrino-driven explosions

As mentioned, the first-principle and experimental simulations have a complimentary role to understand the GWs in the context of neutrino-driven SN explosions. Since the latter approach is equivalently useful, we firstly summarize recent findings obtained by the experimental simulations in the next Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2, then proceed to the first-principle results in Section 3.1.3. For the matter GW¹⁷ signals, we review the results by Murphy et al. [139] who conducted a systematic study by changing neutrino luminosity and progenitor models. For the neutrino GW signals, a piece of our work [136] is summarized in which a ray-tracing analysis was performed to accurately estimate the neutrino GWs.

3.1.1. Features of matter GWs in experimental 2D simulations

Fig. 1 shows samples of gravitational waveforms obtained in 2D models by Murphy et al. [139]. In their 2D models, the dynamics of a suite of progenitor models ($12, 15, 20$, and $40 M_{\odot}$) is followed starting from gravitational collapse, through bounce, up to parametric explosions via the light-bulb scheme. In each panel of Fig. 1, the taken progenitor and the input (electron-)neutrino luminosity in unit of 10^{52} erg/s are indicated. For example, top left panel shows matter GWs obtained for a $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor model [76] with neutrino luminosity of $L_{\nu_e} = 3.7 \times 10^{52}$ erg/s. Three typical GW emission sites are clearly presented, which are “Prompt convection”, “Postshock convection” (unless it is shown in the plot), “Non-linear SASI with SASI plumes”, and “Explosion”.

Shortly after the bounce shock is formed, negative entropy gradient behind the stalling shock predominantly gives rise to prompt convection. GWs indicated by “Prompt convection” (top left panel in Fig. 1) comes from this. Later on, the PNS convection driven by the negative lepton gradient near its surface and the neutrino-driven convection in the post-shock heating region develop. This corresponds to the GW emission by “Postshock convection” (unless shown in the plot) after the prompt convection till ~ 550 ms after bounce. Subsequently, the GW amplitudes become much more larger as the SASI enters to a non-linear phase with violent sloshing of the post-shock material. Large spikes appearing in the “Non-linear SASI” phase come from the down-flowing “SASI plumes” striking the PNS surface. Afterward when the sloshing shock turns to be

¹⁷ Note that “matter GW” means the GW produced by quadrupole matter deformation and that “neutrino GW” by anisotropic neutrino emission.

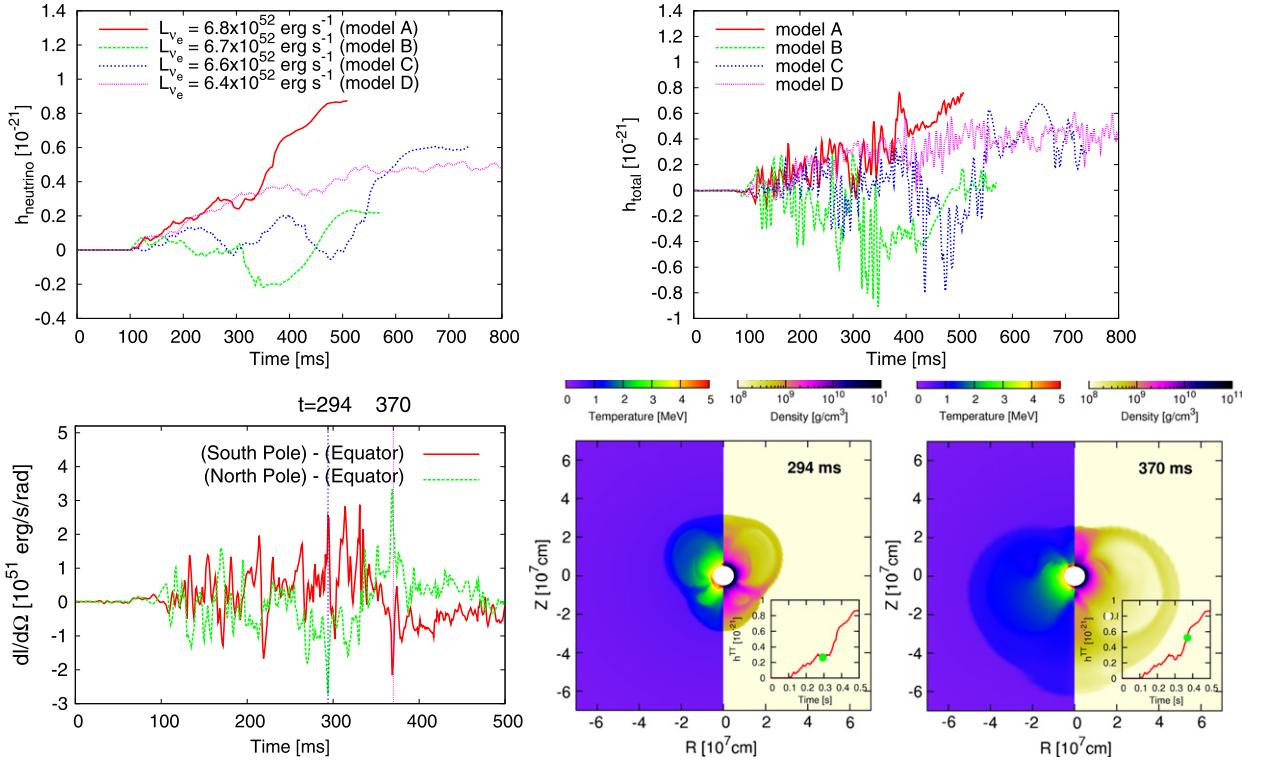


Fig. 2. Gravitational waveforms obtained in 2D parametric explosion models in Kotake et al. (2009) [136] (for a distance of 10 kpc). For the four models (of A, B, C, and D) with different input luminosities (see text for more details), the top panels show the GWs only from neutrinos (top left) and from the sum of neutrinos and matter (top right). The time is measured from the epoch when the simulation starts from the initial condition (see text). In all the models, the SASI enters to the non-linear regime at about 100 ms, simultaneously making the amplitudes deviate from zero. The bottom left panel shows the directional dependent neutrino luminosity: $dI_v/d\Omega$ for model A, in which the polar excess from equator in the luminosity is indicated by “(South pole)–(Equator)” or “(North pole)–(Equator)”. Vertical lines represent the epochs of $t = 294$ and 370 ms, respectively (see text for details). For the chosen two epochs, the bottom right panel shows temperature – (the left-half of each panel) and density – (the right-half) distributions in the meridian section. The insert of each panel shows the neutrino GW amplitudes, in which the green point indicates the time of the snapshot. The central region colored by white (50 km in radius) represents the inner boundary taken in the 2D simulation.

explosion (indicated by “Explosion”), the sign of the GW amplitudes change reflecting the geometry of the expanding shock, that is either prolate (increase), oblate (decrease), or spherical (in-between) as shown in the top right and bottom panels in Fig. 1. On top of these illuminating findings, they argued that the characteristic GW frequency has a tight correlation with a deceleration timescale of the accreting material at the lower boundary of the post-shock convective region. As will be mentioned in Section 3.1.4, this trend is also observed in a recent 3D simulation by Müller et al. [141].

3.1.2. Features of neutrino GWs in experimental 2D simulations

To understand the behavior of neutrino GWs¹⁸ in 2D simulations, it is useful to look the stress formula. In 2D simulations, the non-vanishing component of the neutrino GWs can be expressed as [127]

$$h_v^{\text{TT}} = \frac{4G}{c^4 R} \int_0^t dt' \int_0^\pi d\theta' \Phi(\theta') \frac{dl_v(\theta', t')}{d\Omega'} \quad (1)$$

where G is the gravitational constant, c is the speed of light, R is the distance of the source to the observer, $dl_v/d\Omega'$ represents the direction-dependent neutrino luminosity emitted per unit of solid angle into direction of Ω' , and $\Phi(\theta')$ denotes the quantity, which depends on the angle measured from the symmetry axis (θ'),

$$\Phi(\theta') = \pi \sin \theta' (-1 + 2|\cos \theta'|) \quad (2)$$

It is easy to show that the neutrino GW is zero if the neutrino emission is isotropic ($dl_v/(\theta', t') = \text{constant}$). This function has positive values in the north polar cap for $0 \leq \theta' \leq 60^\circ$ and in the south polar cap for $120^\circ \leq \theta' \leq 180^\circ$, but becomes

¹⁸ As anisotropic matter motions generate GWs, anisotropic neutrino emission also gives rise to GWs, which has been originally pointed out in late 1970s by [142,143] (see recent progress in [144]). It is expected as a primary GW source also in gamma-ray bursts [145,146] and Pop III stars [147].

Table 2

Similar to Table 1, but for selected GW predictions obtained in the state-of-the-art 2D neutrino-radiation hydrodynamic simulations. See Table 1 for the details of the employed numerical techniques. The column of (Domain) indicates that the computational volume in the lateral direction is solved fully $0 \leq \theta \leq 180^\circ$ (“180° wedge”) or with an assumption of certain imposed symmetry (“90° wedge”). t_{fin} represents the final simulation time, and $|h_{\text{max}}|$ indicates the absolute maximum GW amplitudes which come either from “neutrino” or “matter” GWs. f_{peak} represents the peak frequency in the GW spectra.

Progenitor (rotation)	Group (Year)	Mechanism (Domain)	Dim. (Hydro)	t_{fin} (ms)	$ h_{\text{max}} $ (cm) (from)	f_{peak} (Hz)
$11.2 M_\odot$ [76] (No)	MPA [81] (2004)	ν -driven (180° wedge)	2D (PN)	~200	~30 (matter)	~700
$12 M_\odot$ [76] (No)	Oak Ridge+ [85] (2009)	ν -driven (180° wedge)	2D (PN)	~550	80 (neutrino)	~900
$13 M_\odot$ [75] (Both)	NAOJ+ [86] (2011)	ν -driven (180° wedge)	2D (N)	~700	18 (neutrino)	~600
$15 M_\odot$ [77] (Yes)	MPA [81] (2004)	ν -driven (90° wedge)	2D (PN)	~270	~150 (neutrino)	~600
	MPA [81] (2006)	ν -driven (180° wedge)	2D (PN)	~400	~130 (neutrino)	~600
$15 M_\odot$ [76] (No)	Oak Ridge+ [85] (2009)	ν -driven (180° wedge)	2D (PN)	~550	$\gtrsim 200$ (neutrino)	~900
$25 M_\odot$ [76] (No)	Oak Ridge+ [85] (2009)	ν -driven (180° wedge)	2D (PN)	~550	~200 (matter)	~900

negative values between $60^\circ < \theta' < 120^\circ$. Therefore, the polar and equatorial excess in the neutrino emission tends to make a positive and negative change in the neutrino GWs, respectively.

Fig. 2 shows properties of neutrino GWs obtained in the parametric 2D simulations by Kotake et al. (2009) [136] who used the light-bulb scheme to obtain explosions. In their simulations, the initial conditions were derived from a steady-state approximation of the post-shock structure (not from stellar evolution calculations) and the dynamics only outside an inner boundary at 50 km was solved. To estimate the neutrino anisotropy (e.g., $dL_\nu/(\theta', t')$ in Eq. (1)), a ray-tracing analysis was performed. In the two top panels of Fig. 2, the input electron neutrino luminosity (L_{ν_e}) is indicated for four models A, B, C, and D, respectively corresponding to $L_{\nu_e} = 6.4, 6.6, 6.7$, and 6.8×10^{52} erg/s.

The top left panel shows the GW amplitudes contributed only from neutrinos. Comparing the right panel, which shows the total amplitudes (neutrino + matter), it can be seen that the overall structures of the waveforms are predominantly determined by the neutrino GWs with slower temporal variations ($\gtrsim 50$ ms), to which the GWs from matter motions with rapid temporal variations ($\lesssim 10$ ms) are superimposed.

The bottom left panel shows the angle dependent neutrino luminosity (e.g., $dL_\nu/d\Omega$ in Eq. (1)) for model A, in which the polar excess from equator in the luminosity is indicated by “(South pole)–(Equator)” or “(North pole)–(Equator)”. As shown, the dominance of the neutrino emission in the north (green line) and south poles (red line) are closely anti-correlated. This is the consequence of the low-mode nature of the SASI, here of $\ell = 1$ (in terms of an expansion in spherical harmonics with order ℓ). In fact, the left-hand side in the bottom right panel shows that at 294 ms, the blob encompassing the regions inside the stalled shock is moving from the southern to the northern hemisphere, leading to the compression of the matter in the south hemisphere, which is vice versa at 370 ms (right-hand side). Recalling again that the function (Fig. 2) is positive near poles, the polar excess in the neutrino GWs makes the positively growing feature depicted in the neutrino GWs (e.g., top left panel in Fig. 2). In addition, the waveforms show large negative growth for some epochs during the growth of SASI (e.g., for models C and D in the top left panel). Such a feature comes from a dominance of the neutrino emission in the equatorial direction.¹⁹ Reflecting the nature of the SASI and convection both of which grow chaotically with time, they pointed out that there may be no systematic dependence of the input neutrino luminosities on the maximum GW amplitudes.

3.1.3. GW signatures in 2D radiation-hydrodynamic simulations

Having summarized the findings in parametric 2D simulations, we are now ready to discuss GW signatures obtained in 2D radiation-hydrodynamic simulations in which a spectral neutrino transport is solved. Similar to Table 1, but Table 2 shows a summary for some selected GW predictions obtained in the first-principle 2D models.²⁰ Since the model predictions are not too many (as of 2011), the important GW features obtained mostly by the MPA simulation and also by the OakRidge+ simulation are all summarized in this section by reproducing their results as much as possible.

The first example is for a rotating $15 M_\odot$ progenitor model by the MPA simulation (e.g., [81], see the numerical details in Table 1), the detailed GW analysis of which was performed by Müller et al. (2004) (Fig. 3). The initial angular velocity

¹⁹ To capture this trend, the ray-tracing calculation would be more accurate than a ray-by-ray approach.

²⁰ Note that much more stronger GW emission than those in Table 2 was expected if the acoustic mechanism would work. See Section 7.1 in [22] for more details.

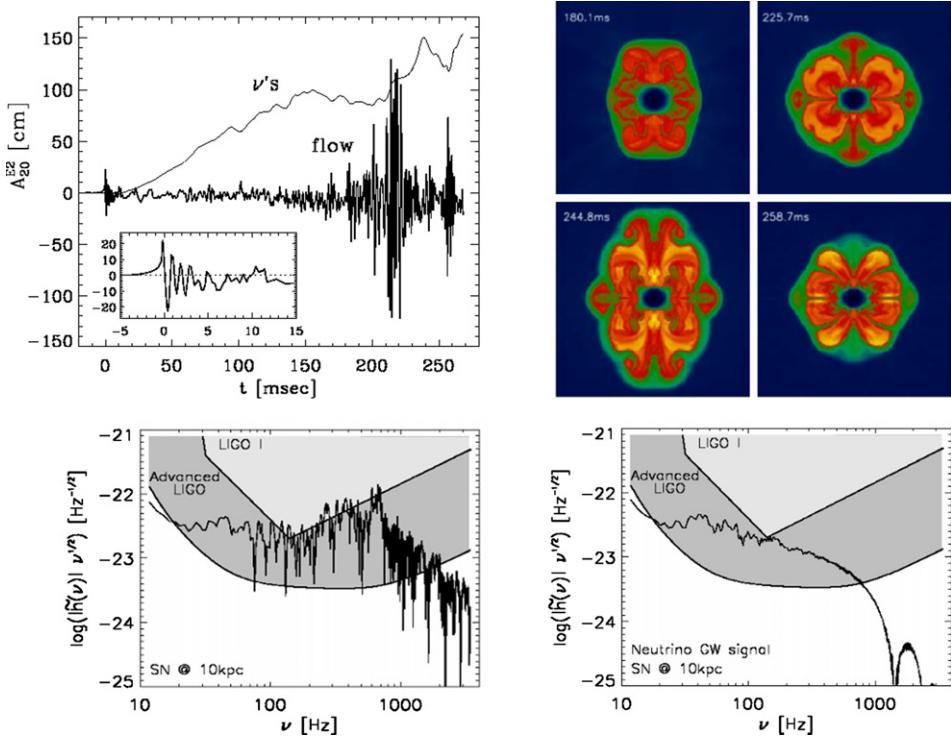


Fig. 3. Gravitational waveforms from neutrinos (indicated by “ ν ’s” in the top left panel) or from matter motions (indicated by “flow” in the panel) and their spectra (sum of matter and neutrino (bottom left) and contribution only from neutrino GWs (bottom right)) for a rotating model (s15r) of $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor in Müller et al. (2004) [130]. The insert in the top left panel shows an enlargement of the signal near bounce, which comes from prompt convection (e.g., Section 3.1.1). Top right panel shows the growth of large scale, non-radial pulsations in the post-shock region (bright regions in the entropy plot (600×600 km)), which leads to a slower temporal evolution ($\gtrsim 10$ ms) of the neutrino GWs. All of these plots are by courtesy of Müller and the coauthors [130].

for the model was taken to be 0.5 rad/s, which is slightly faster (a factor 5) than the one predicted in a recent stellar evolution calculation [90]. As shown in the top left panel, they found a quasi-monotonically increasing GW signal at the end of their simulation (~ 270 ms after bounce), which predominantly comes from neutrino GWs. In the case of rotational core-collapse, neutrino emission can be stronger along polar directions [148–150]. As discussed in Section 3.1.2, the polar excess in neutrino emission could be a possible explanation of the increasing trend. It is also worth mentioning that this feature can be seen in the waveform for a rapidly-rotating accretion-induced collapse model [151] of the “Princeton+” simulation (e.g., Fig. 10 in [22]).

The top right panel of Fig. 3 shows the growth of large scale, non-radial pulsations in the post-shock region (bright regions in the entropy plot (600×600 km)), which leads to a slower temporal evolution ($\gtrsim 10$ ms) of the neutrino GWs (see the line labeled by “ ν ’s” in the top left panel). As seen, an equatorial symmetry was imposed for the 2D simulation,²¹ which is indicated by “90° wedge” in Table 2. Comparing the GW spectra from the sum of matter motions and neutrinos (bottom left panel in Fig. 3) to the one only from neutrinos (bottom right), one can clearly see that the low-frequency part of the spectrum (below ~ 100 Hz) is dominated by the contribution of the neutrino GWs. As mentioned above, this is because their wave amplitude varies on much longer timescales ($\gtrsim 10$ ms) than that of the mass flow (\sim ms, e.g., the waveform in the top left panel). For this model, the maximum amplitude comes from the neutrino contribution (e.g., the top left panel and $|h_{\max}|$ with the comment of (neutrino) in Table 2).

It should be noted whether the maximum amplitude comes from matter or neutrino contribution change from models to models as shown in Table 2 (see the sixth column indicated by (from)), which may reflect the stochastic nature of the SASI and convection which is determined by the non-linear hydrodynamics. In contrast, the peak frequencies in the GW spectrum (typically in the range of 600–1000 Hz) always come from the matter GWs (albeit not explicitly mentioned in the table) due to its short temporal variations (f_{peak} in Table 2). The bottom panels of Fig. 3 show that while the signal-to-noise ratio is probably too small for this event to be detectable by LIGO I, it could be well detected by the Advanced LIGO for a Galactic source. This is a generic feature of the detectability of the GWs from neutrino-driven explosion models.

Fig. 4 is the same as Fig. 3 but for a non-rotating exploding model of an $11.2 M_{\odot}$ progenitor of Buras et al. [81]. In contrast to the rotating model mentioned above, no signal is emitted near at bounce for this non-rotating model (compare

²¹ Hence the dynamics is north–south symmetric.

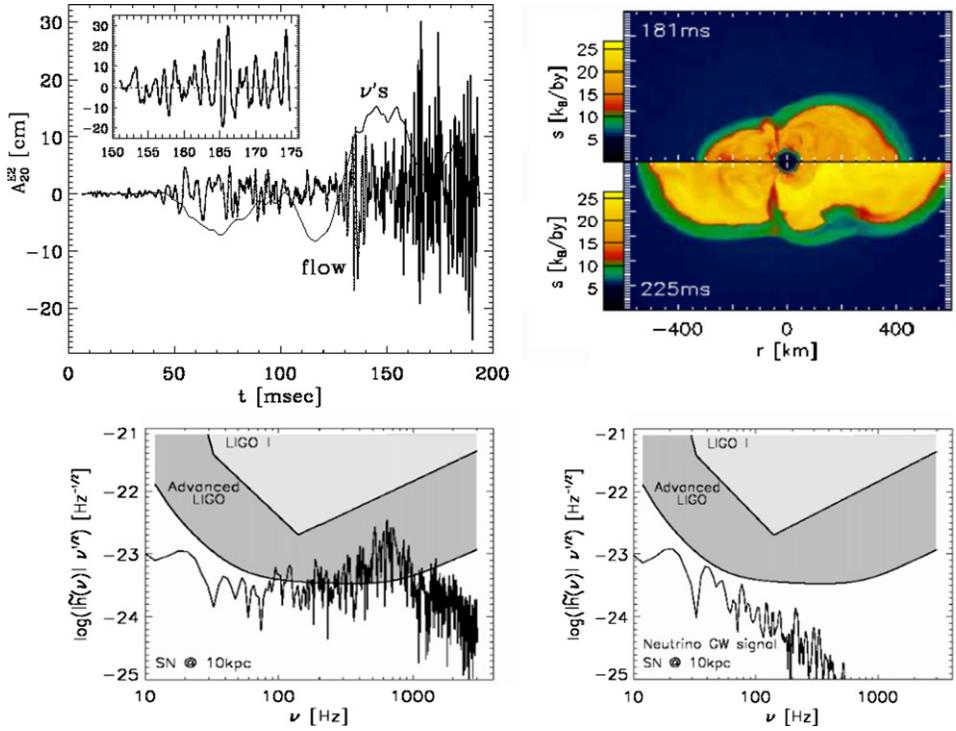


Fig. 4. Similar to Fig. 3 but for a non-rotating explosion model in the MPA simulations of an $11.2 M_{\odot}$ progenitor (taken from Müller et al. (2004) [130]). The top right panel indicates the success explosion of this model, in which the entropy (bright) with different timescales (181 (top) or 225 ms (bottom) after bounce) are displayed. The polar axis is directed horizontally. These figures are by courtesy of Müller and the coauthors [130].

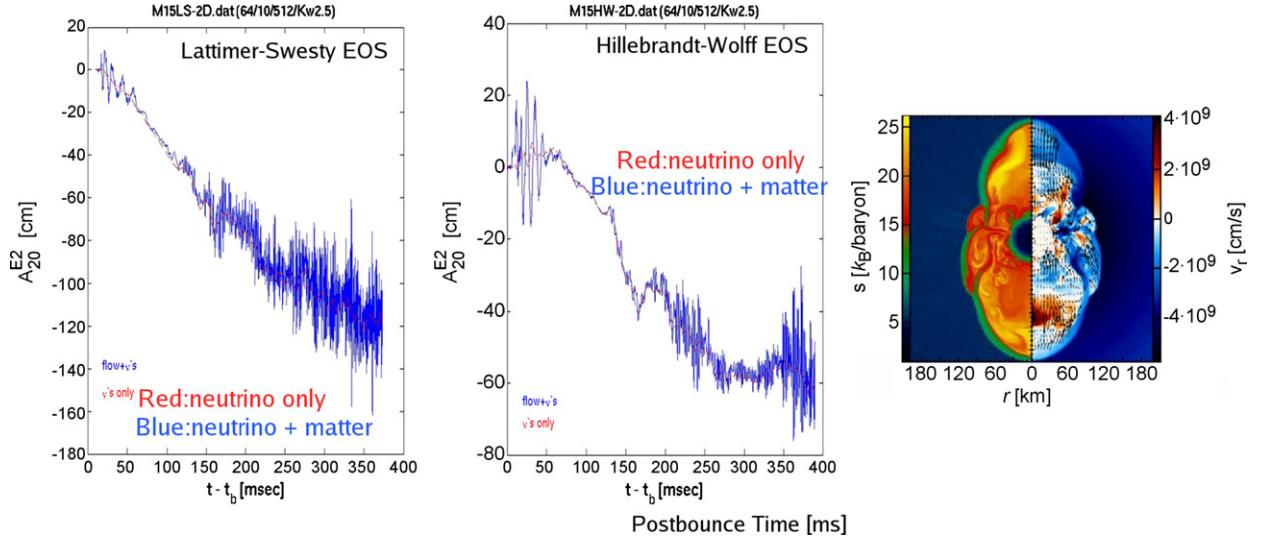


Fig. 5. Gravitational waveforms for a non-rotating exploding model in the MPA simulations of a $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor [87] in which the Lattimer-Swesty (left panel) or Hillebrandt-Wolff EOS (middle panel) was employed (taken from Marek et al. (2009) [138]). The right panel indicates the explosion of this model, in which the left-hand panel shows color-coded entropy distribution, the right-hand panel the radial velocity components with white and whitish hues denoting matter at or near rest, while black arrows indicate the direction of the velocity fields. These figures are by courtesy of Marek and the coauthors [138].

the insert in the top left of Fig. 3 and the waveform near $t = 0$ in the top left panel of Fig. 4). For this light progenitor model, the wave amplitude from prompt convection (till ~ 50 ms after bounce) is very small. Only after the neutrino-driven convection becomes stronger (~ 80 ms after bounce), the maximum (absolute) amplitudes rise to the values of several 10 cm. Although the slower temporal evolution of the neutrino GWs is similar to the one in Fig. 3, the monotonically growing trend is not seen for this model. The GW spectrum (bottom panels in Fig. 4) is qualitatively quite similar to that

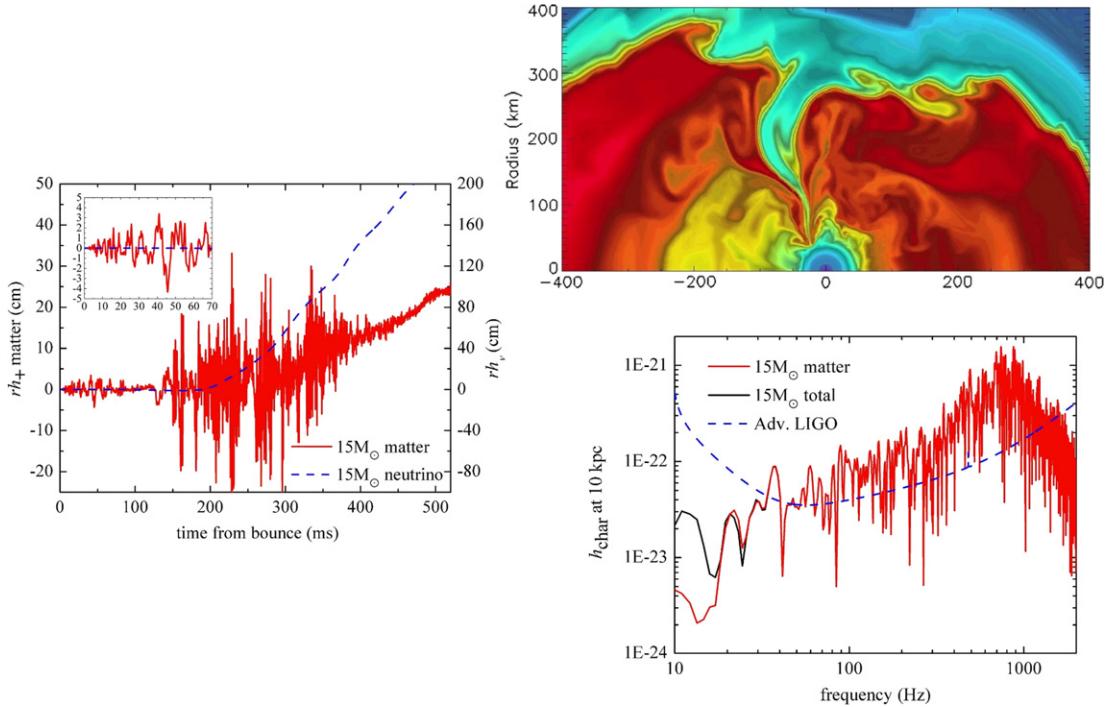


Fig. 6. Similar to Fig. 3 but for a non-rotating exploding model in the OakRidge+ simulations of a non-rotating $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor (from Yakunin et al. (2009) [97]). The left panel shows the gravitational waveforms contributed from matter motions (indicated by matter) and from neutrinos (indicated by neutrino). The insert shows an enlargement of the signal near bounce, which comes from prompt-convection. The top right panel shows entropy distribution at 244 ms after bounce for the progenitor. A bipolar explosion with high-entropy outflows (yellow-orange-red) is shown along the symmetry axis. The bottom right panel shows the spectra with the sensitivity curve of the advanced LIGO. These figures are by courtesy of Yakunin and the coauthors [97].

of the rotating model (Fig. 3), but the GW amplitudes become much smaller. This is probably because of a smaller core mass of the $11.2 M_{\odot}$ progenitor, which could potentially make the mass quadrupole and the emergent neutrino luminosity smaller (compare the spectrum of neutrino GW in the bottom right panel of Figs. 3 and 4).

The left and middle panels in Fig. 5 show the wave amplitude (blue line (total), red line (only from neutrinos)) for a non-rotating exploding $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor in Marek and Janka (2006) [87] in which a soft variant of the Lattimer–Swesty EOS (left) and a rather stiff Hillebrant–Wolff EOS (middle) was employed.²² Although an overall trend is similar with each other, they found several important EOS effects on the GW signatures. The first one is about the GWs from prompt convection (e.g., the signals before 50 ms after bounce). As seen, the wave amplitude for the stiffer EOS (~ 20 cm) becomes up to a factor of 2 larger maximum amplitudes than its softer EOS counterpart (~ 10 cm). They pointed out that the prompt convection exhibits larger amplitude, slightly higher frequencies, and more power for the stiffer EOS. They found that this is because the region of prompt convection involves more mass and extends to larger radii. This may agree with one's intuition that the inner-core mass near bounce becomes larger in the case of stiffer EOS (due to the suppressed electron capture), potentially providing a larger quadrupole GW emission.

The maximum (absolute) amplitudes come from the neutrino contribution irrespective of the employed EOSs (see the column of (from) for the non-rotating $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor in Table 2). The maximum (absolute) amplitude is about 130 and 60 cm for the softer and stiffer EOS, respectively.²³ The higher neutrino luminosities that are radiated from a more compact PNS in the softer EOS predominantly give a favorable condition for a more efficient emission of the neutrino GWs. However, their peak frequencies are typically below ~ 100 Hz (e.g., the bottom right panel in Fig. 3), making the component of the neutrino GWs very difficult to be detectable for ground-based detectors whose sensitivity is limited mainly by seismic noises at low frequencies. Therefore the matter GW signals are more important in discussing the detectability. For a Galactic source, the matter signal are of the orders of 10^{-22} regardless of the different EOSs. They discussed that they should be marginally observable with LIGO I but it is not easy to tell the EOS difference. This is because although the spectral peak become (slightly) higher if the EOS is soft, this simultaneously sticks out of the highest sensitivity frequency domain of the LIGO instrument.

In contrast to an anticipation in Section 3.1.2, their neutrino GWs decrease with time. They argued that this comes from the excess of neutrino emission in the equatorial direction, which was argued to be determined by the anisotropic transport

²² An incompressibility at nuclear densities (K) is 180 MeV and 281 MeV for the Lattimer–Swesty and Hillebrant–Wolff EOS, respectively.

²³ Note that the result only for the softer EOS is given in Table 2.

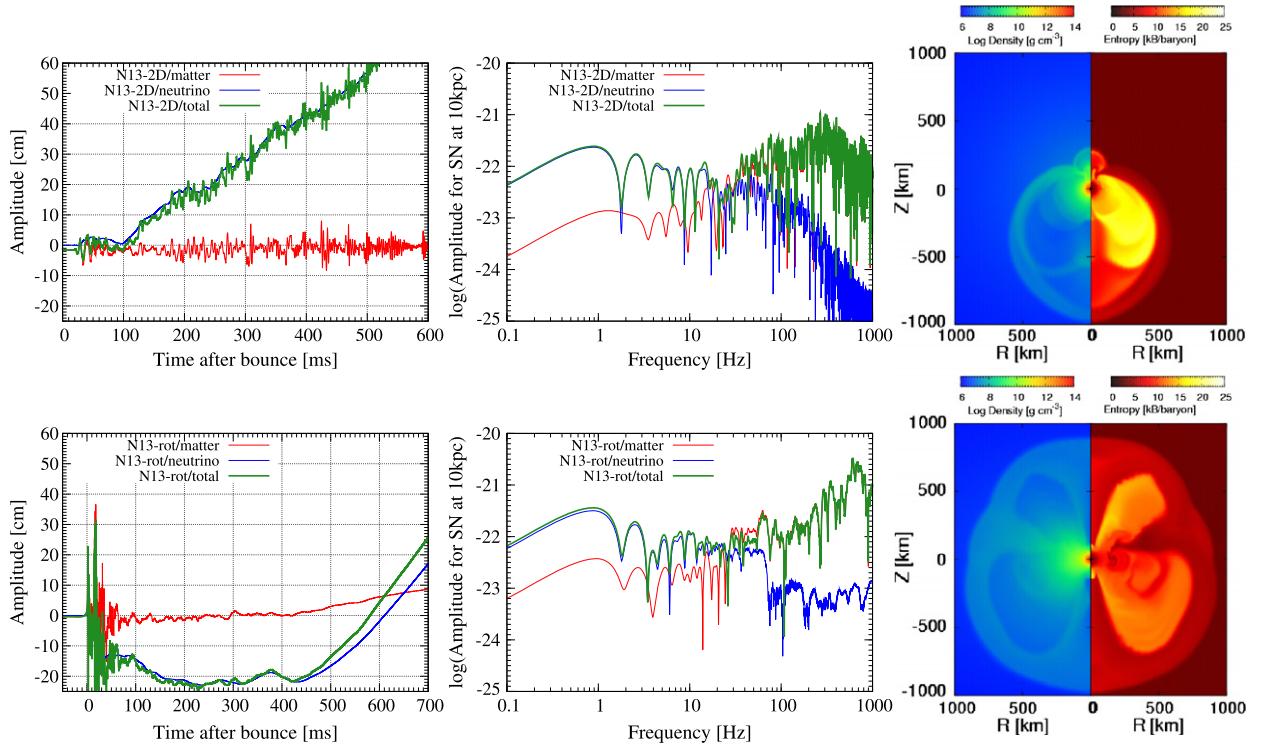


Fig. 7. Gravitational waveforms (left panels) with their spectra (middle panels) for a non-rotating (top panels) and rapidly rotating model (bottom panels) for a $13 M_{\odot}$ progenitor [75] obtained in the NAOJ+ simulation (e.g., Table 1). For the rotating model, the precollapse angular velocity is taken to be 2 rad/s . Right panels show snapshots of the density (left half) and the entropy (right half) for models without (top) or with rotation (bottom) at the epoch when the shock reaches 1000 km , corresponding to $\sim 470 \text{ ms}$ after bounce in both cases. The middle panels are for a supernova at a distance of 10 kpc . These figures are by courtesy of Suwa and the coauthors [152].

of heavy-lepton neutrinos in the vicinity of the PNS.²⁴ To pin down the GW signal from neutrinos, one apparently needs to precisely determine the neutrino anisotropy which should require multi-angle neutrino transport calculation. Currently it would be practicable in 2D simulations [94] if enough number of momentum-space angles could be cast (probably) by using the next-generation supercomputers. But before that, we may need to be a little bit careful in interpreting the neutrino GWs.

Keeping this in mind, the neutrino GWs (blue line in the left panel of Fig. 6) for a non-rotating $15 M_{\odot}$ exploding model in the OakRidge+ simulation (e.g., Table 1 for the numerical details) show again a monotonically increasing trend. They obtained a similar trend in the waveforms of their exploding models of 12 and $25 M_{\odot}$ progenitors [97]. In consistent with the analysis in Section 3.1.1, the matter GWs show a monotonic increase after the SASI-driven sloshing shock turns into 2D prolate explosions ($\gtrsim 300 \text{ ms}$ post-bounce in the left panel of Fig. 6). For the first time this model succeeded in capturing the feature, which was not seen in other radiation-hydrodynamic simulations. To produce the increasing trend, the anisotropic kinetic energy of the expanding shock needs to be enough large. Relatively earlier shock revival with larger explosion energies (e.g., Table 1) obtained in the OakRidge+ simulations could satisfy the condition. The maximum amplitudes for a Galactic supernova reach to the orders of 10^{-21} regardless of the employed progenitors, which could be a promising target for the advanced LIGO (bottom right panel in Fig. 6).

Fig. 7 shows the wave amplitudes (left panels) with their spectra (middle panels) for a non-rotating (top panels) and rapidly rotating model (bottom panels) for a $13 M_{\odot}$ progenitor [75] obtained in the NAOJ+ simulation (e.g., Table 1 for the numerical details). For the non-rotating model, the neutrino GWs show the increasing trend (green line in the top left panel). This model explodes in a unipolar manner (top right panel), expelling material only in the northern part of the core. Due to this one-sided explosion with smaller mass ejection, this model explodes only weakly with decreasing explosion energies less than $\sim 4 \times 10^{49} \text{ erg}$ at the final simulation time (see Fig. 4 in [86]). This should be the reason why the matter GW signals (red line in the top left panel) are much smaller than those obtained in the Oak Ridge+ simulation (e.g., red line in Fig. 6).

On the other hand, a bipolar explosion is seen to be obtained for their 2D model with rapid rotation²⁵ (bottom right panel in Fig. 7). Since the north-south symmetric ($\ell = 2$) explosion can expel more material than for the unipolar explosion, the explosion energies becomes larger (e.g., Fig. 4 in [86]), simultaneously making the matter GWs larger. In fact, the

²⁴ On the other hand, they did see the stronger emission in the polar regions regarding ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$, which is consistent with the discussion in Section 3.1.2.

²⁵ The precollapse angular velocity was taken to be 2 rad/s .

increasing trend in the matter GWs is seen after ~ 400 ms after bounce (red line in the bottom left panel in Fig. 7). The neutrino GWs firstly decrease after bounce (blue line in the same panel), but later shift to exhibit the increasing trend ($\gtrsim 500$ ms after bounce). The middle panels (for a supernova at a distance of 10 kpc) show that the spectrum rises to a broad peak between ~ 600 and 900 Hz, which could be visible to the advanced-class detectors for the galactic source (see further discussions in [152]).

3.1.4. Stochastic GW nature in experiment 3D simulations

(By definition) 2D simulations so far mentioned in previous sections have an assumption of axisymmetry. Due to the symmetry axis, the growth of the SASI and the large-scale post-shock convection could develop along the axis preferentially, thus suppressing anisotropies in explosions. Since the GW emission is very sensitive to the degree of the explosion anisotropies, 3D simulations are apparently needed for a more accurate GW prediction.

Since it is still computationally very expensive to solve the spectral neutrino transport, a light-bulb scheme (e.g., [56]) has been often employed in 3D simulations to trigger explosions, in which the heating and cooling by neutrinos are treated by a parametric manner (e.g., Section 2 and references in [68,46,153]). Using the recipe, a handful of GW predictions based on the 3D simulations have been reported so far, which we are going to review in this section. As a preface, we just like to mention that although these studies use experimental approaches and thus their findings should be tested by the first-principle 3D simulations in the future (e.g., [84]), they have indeed shed a new light towards a better understanding of the GW signatures as they have done so in 2D simulations (see discussions in Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2).

Müller and Janka (1997) [127] coined the first study to analyze the GW signature of 3D non-radial matter motion and anisotropic neutrino emission from prompt convection in the outer layers of a PNS during the first 30 ms after bounce. Their first 3D calculations using the light-bulb recipe were forced to be performed in a wedge of opening angle of 60° . Albeit with this limitation (probably coming from the computer power at that time), they obtained important findings that because of smaller convective activities inside the cone with slower overturn velocities, the GW amplitudes of their 3D models are more than a factor of 10 smaller than those of the corresponding 2D models, and the wave amplitudes from neutrinos are a factor of 10 larger than those due to non-radial matter motions. With another pioneering (2D) study by Burrows and Hayes (1996) [128], it is worth mentioning that those early studies had brought new blood into the conventional GW predictions, which illuminated the importance of the theoretical prediction of the neutrino GWs.

A series of findings obtained by Fryer et al. in early 2000s [57,154] have illuminated also the importance of the 3D modeling. By running their 3D Newtonian Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamic (SPH) code coupled to a gray flux-limited neutrino transport scheme, they studied the GW emission due to the inhomogeneous core-collapse, core rotation, low-modes convection, and anisotropic neutrino emission. Although the early shock-revival and the subsequent powerful explosions obtained in these SPH simulations have yet to be confirmed by other groups, their approach paying particular attention to the multiple interplay between the explosion dynamics, the GW signatures, the kick and spins of pulsars, and also the non-spherical explosive nucleosynthesis, blazed a new path on which current supernova studies are progressing.

We also studied the GW signals from 3D models that mimic neutrino-driven explosions aided by the SASI [136,137,155]. These studies were an extension of the 2D simulations already mentioned in Section 3.1.2, in which the light-bulb scheme was used to obtain explosions and the initial conditions were derived from a steady-state approximation of the post-shock structure and the dynamics only outside an inner boundary at 50 km was solved. The left panel of Fig. 8 shows the evolution of 3D hydrodynamic features from the onset of the non-linear regime of SASI (top left) until the shock break-out (bottom right) with the gravitational waveform from neutrinos inserted in each panel. As seen, the major axis of the growth of SASI is shown to be not aligned with the symmetric axis (Z axis in the figure) and the flow inside the standing shock wave is not symmetric with respect to this major axis (see the first and third quadrant). This is a generic feature obtained in their 3D models, which is in contrast to the axisymmetric case. As discussed in Section 3.1.2, the GW amplitudes from the SASI in 2D showed an increasing trend with time due to the symmetry axis, along which SASI can develop preferentially. Free from such a restriction, a variety of the waveforms is shown to appear (see waveforms inserted in Fig. 8). Furthermore, the 3D standing shock can also oscillate in all directions, which leads to the smaller explosion anisotropy than 2D. With these two factors, the maximum amplitudes seen either from the equator or the pole becomes smaller than 2D. On the other hand, their sum in terms of the total radiated energy are found to be almost comparable between 2D and 3D models, which is likely to imply the energy equipartition with respect to the spatial dimensions.

The right panel of Fig. 8 shows the gravitational waveforms for models with different neutrino luminosity. The input luminosity for the bottom panel is smaller than that for the top panel only by 0.5%. Despite the slight difference, the waveforms of each polarization are shown to exhibit no systematic similarity when seen either from the pole or equator.

The stochastic nature of GWs produced by the interplay of the SASI and neutrino-driven explosions have been also confirmed more recently by Müller et al. (2011) [141]. They analyzed the GW signatures based on their 3D models of parametric neutrino-driven explosions [156] in which the gray spectral neutrino transport is solved in a ray-by-ray manner [61].²⁶ At the sacrifice of cutting out the high-density core (at around 80–120 km in radius), their 3D models succeeded in following the dynamics from the post-bounce accretion phase through the onset of the explosion more than one second for

²⁶ It is worth mentioning that a complete derivation of formulae for extracting the neutrino GWs is given for arbitrary positioning between the source and observer coordinate systems (e.g., Section 4 in [141]).

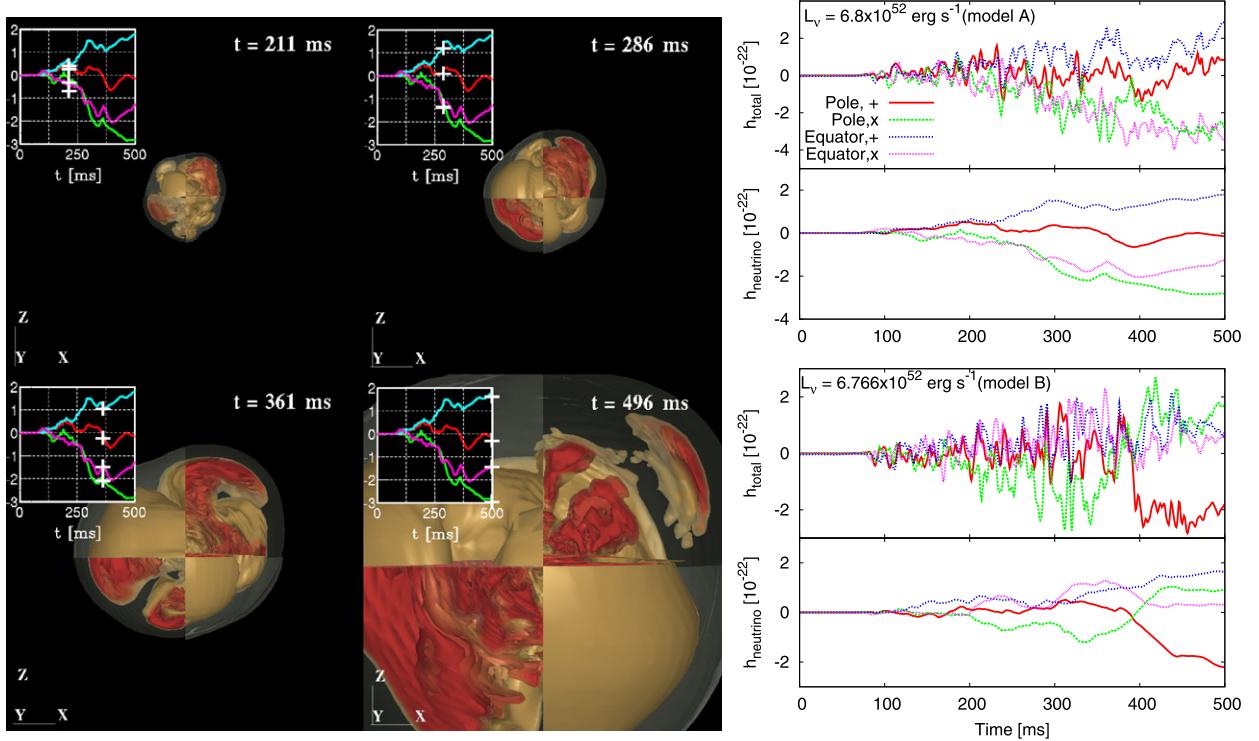


Fig. 8. Left panel shows four snapshots of the entropy distributions of a representative 3D supernova explosion model (corresponding to model A in Kotake et al. (2009) [137]). The second and fourth quadrant of each panel shows the surface of the standing shock wave. In the first and third quadrant, the profiles of the high entropy bubbles (colored by red) inside the section cut by the ZX plane are shown. The side length of each plot is 1000 km. The insets show the gravitational waveforms from anisotropic neutrino emissions, with '+' on each curves representing the time of the snapshot. Note that the colors of the curves are taken to be the same as the top panel. After about 100 ms, the deformation of the standing shock becomes remarkable marking the epoch when the SASI enters the non-linear regime. At the same time, the gravitational amplitudes begin to deviate from zero. Right panel shows gravitational waveforms from neutrinos (bottom) and from the sum of neutrinos and matter motions (top), seen from the polar axis and along the equator (indicated by ‘Pole’ and ‘Equator’) with polarization (+ or \times modes) for two representative 3D models of A and B (see [137] for details), in which the input luminosity for the two pair panels differs only 0.5%. From the right panels, it can be seen that the overall structures of the waveforms are predominantly determined by the neutrino GWs which was also the case in 2D simulations (e.g., Section 3.1.2). The distance to the source is assumed to be 10 kpc.

the first time. Among a number of interesting findings obtained in their work, we here focus on the progenitor dependence that could not be studied by Kotake et al. (2009, 2011) [137,155] who used the idealized initial conditions.

The top two panels in Fig. 9 show snapshots of blast morphologies between two models, in which a non-rotating $15 M_\odot$ progenitors either evolved by Woosley and Weaver (1995) (left) or by Limongi et al. (1995) (right) was employed, respectively. Note that they succeeded in following an unprecedentedly long-term 3D evolution (up to 1.4 s after bounce) by utilizing an axis-free coordinate system; the so-called Yin-Yang grids (see [156] for more details). The middle panels in Fig. 9 indicate that the total GW amplitude is significantly different from that of the flow-only GW amplitudes (not shown) for models which do or do not exhibit PNS convection below the neutrino sphere. Particularly at late times ($t \gtrsim 0.8$ s in the middle panels), anisotropic neutrino emission causes a continuing growth of the GW amplitudes for the model using the Woosley–Weaver (indicated by W15) progenitor (left) instead of saturation seen for the model using the Limongi progenitor (indicated by L15, right panel). By a detailed spectrogram analysis of the GW energy distributions (see their Fig. 12), they revealed that the primary agent to make the model discrepancy is the PNS convection, which develops much more vigorously for the W15 progenitor model than for the L15 progenitor model. This can be also depicted in the bottom panels of Fig. 9 which shows bigger neutrino anisotropy for the W15 progenitor model (left) in the late post-bounce phase ($t \gtrsim 0.8$ s) than for the L15 progenitor model (right). They furthermore pointed out that in their 3D models, very prominent, quasi-periodic sloshing motions due to the SASI are absent and the emission from different surface areas facing an observer adds up incoherently, so that the measurable modulation amplitudes of the GW signals (as well as neutrinos) are significantly smaller than predicted by 2D simulations [139,97].

The effects of stellar rotation on the stochastic nature of the GWs have been recently studied by Kotake et al. (2011) [155] who used the same numerical techniques that was already mentioned in explaining Fig. 8. The top two panels in Fig. 10 show the gravitational waveform for a typical 3D with rotation (left: total amplitudes, right: neutrino only). To construct a model with rotation, a uniform rotation was manually given on the flow advecting from the outer boundary of the iron core as in [69], whose specific angular momentum is assumed to agree with recent stellar evolution models [90]. Comparing to the right panel in Fig. 8 (i.e., in the absence of rotation), one can clearly see a sudden rise in the GW amplitude after around

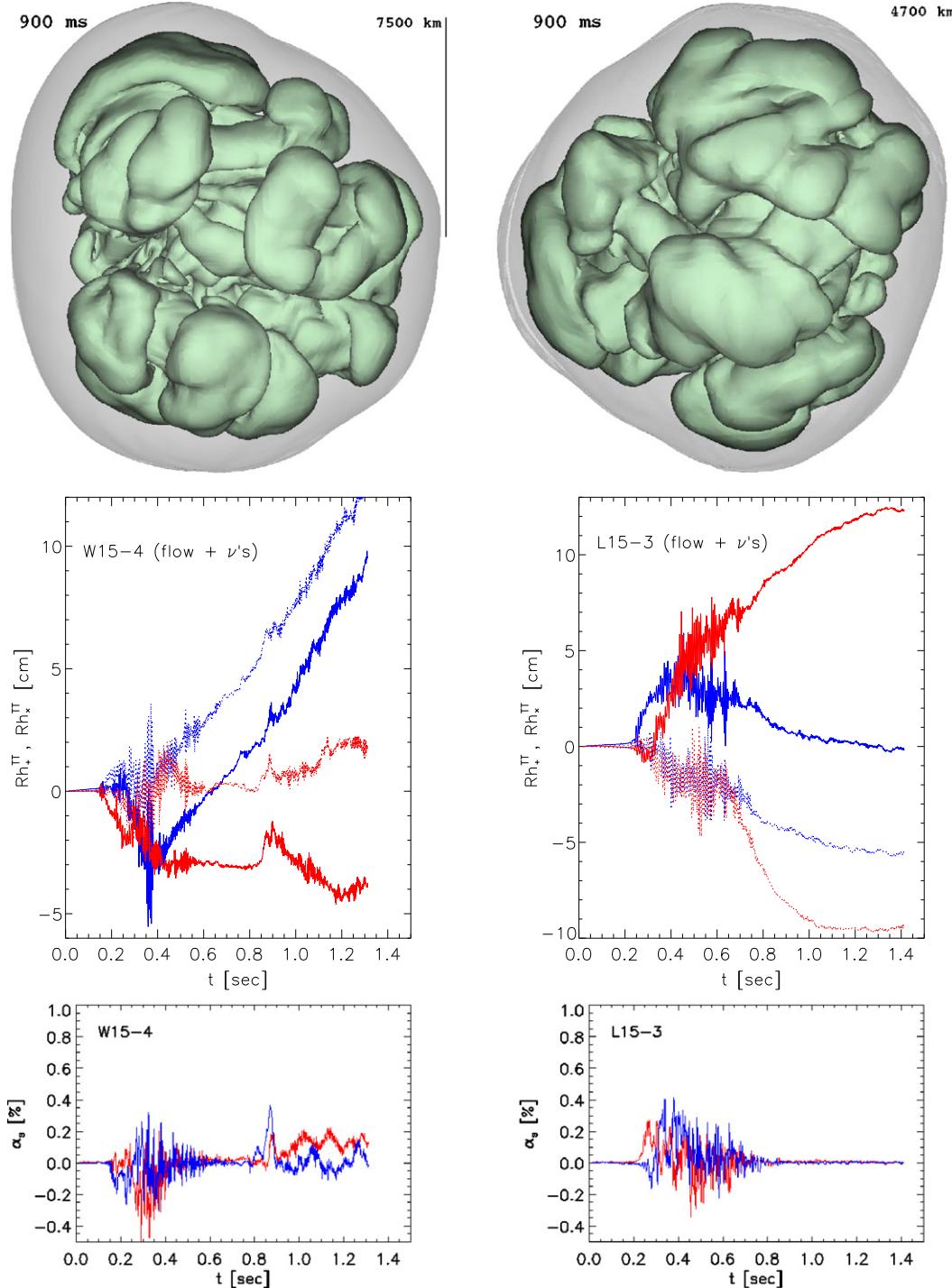


Fig. 9. Top two panels show snapshots illustrating a globally asymmetric 3D explosion in the post-accretion phase of two different progenitor models using the Woosley-Weaver (left) or Limongi progenitor (right) of a $15 M_{\odot}$ progenitor (taken from Müller et al. (2011) [141]). Note that “−4” or “−3” differ only by the initial seed perturbations (see [141] for more details). The time and linear scale are indicated in each plot. Middle panels show the plus (blue) or cross (red) mode of the wave amplitude due to anisotropic mass flow and neutrino emission for models W15-4 (left) and L15-3 (right), respectively. The solid curves show the amplitudes for an observer above the North pole of the source, while the other curves give the amplitudes at the equator. Similar to the middle panels, the bottom panels show the anisotropy parameter of neutrino emission (only the plus mode is shown). These figures are by courtesy of Müller and the coauthors [141]. (For interpretation of the references to color in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

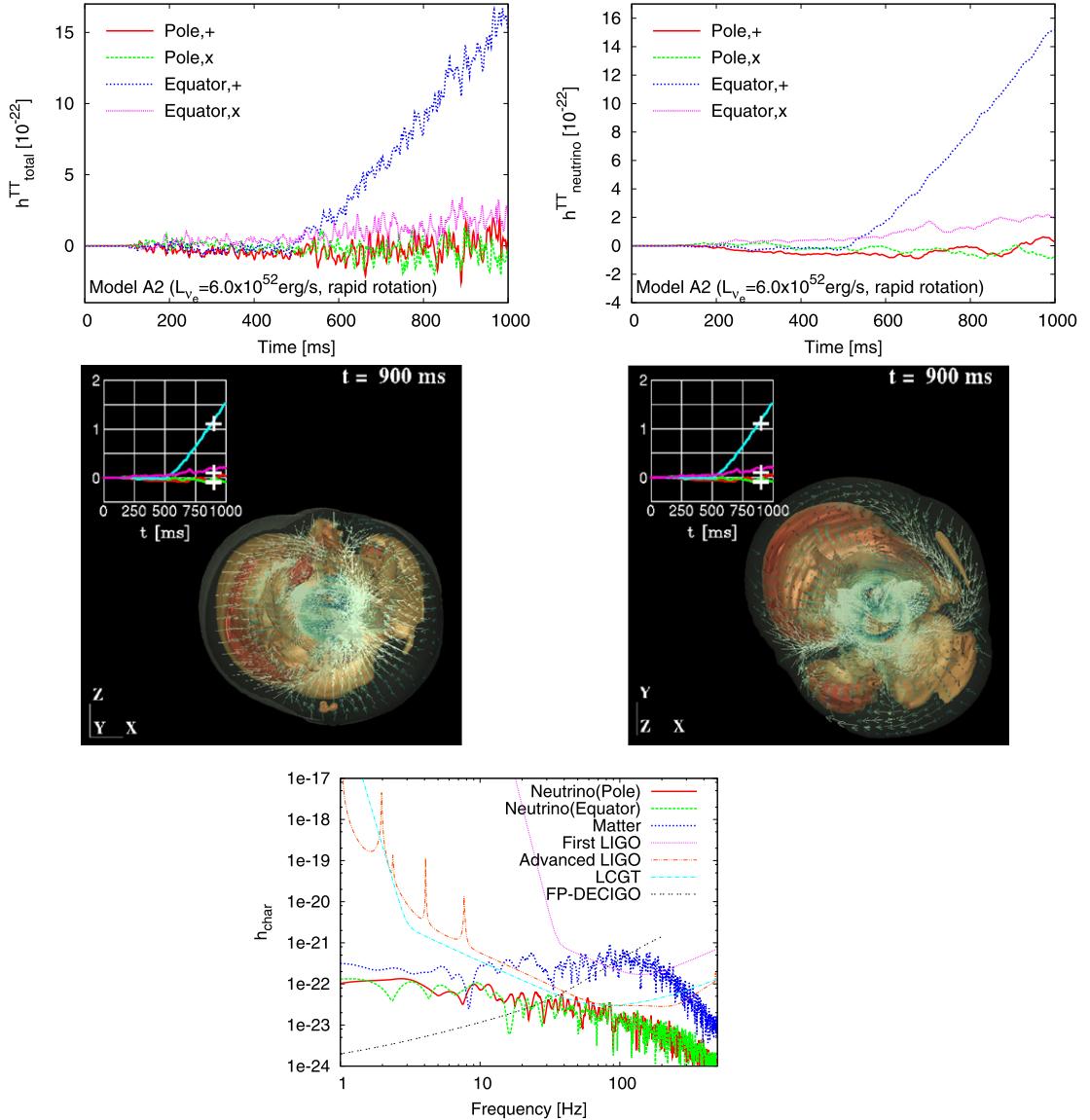


Fig. 10. Top panels show gravitational waveforms from the sum of neutrinos and matter motions (left) and only from neutrinos (right) obtained in a parametric explosion 3D model with rotation (taken from Kotake et al. (2011) [155]). Similar to the left panel in Fig. 8, the middle panels show a partial cutaway of the entropy isosurfaces and the velocity vectors on the cutting plane for the equatorial (left) and polar observer (right), respectively. The bottom panel shows spectral distributions for the model from matter motions (“Matter”) and neutrino emission (“Neutrino”) seen from the pole or the equator (e.g., [155]) with the expected detection limits of TAMA300 [11], first LIGO and advanced LIGO [157], LCGT [15], and Fabry-Perot type DECIGO [158]. The distance to the supernova is assumed to be 10 kpc. Note that for the matter signal, the + mode seen from the polar direction is plotted.

500 ms for the rotating model (blue line in the top panels in Fig. 10), which is plus mode of the neutrino GWs seen from the equator. These features were found to be common in the fifteen 3D models computed in their study.

Seen from the equatorial direction (the middle left panel of Fig. 10), one may guess the presence of the sloshing modes, but it just happens to develop along the rotational axis (z -axis) at this epoch. It should be emphasized that the dominance of $h_{v,+}^{\text{equ}}$ observed in the current 3D simulations have nothing to do with the one discussed in Section 3.1.2. Free from the 2D axis effects, the major axis of the SASI changes stochastically with time, and the flow patters behind the standing shock also change in every direction. As a result, the sloshing modes can make only a small contribution to the GW emission. The remaining possibility is that the spiral flows seen in the middle right panel should be a key importance to understand the GW feature mentioned above. In fact, by analyzing the matter distribution on the equatorial plane, it was found that the compression of matter is more enhanced in the vicinity of the equatorial plane due to the growth of the spiral SASI modes, leading to the formation of the spiral flows circulating around the spin axis with higher temperatures. As a result, the neutrino emission seen parallel to the spin axis becomes higher than the ones seen from the other direction. Remembering that the lateral-angle (θ) dependent function of the GW formulae (e.g., in Eq. (1)) is positive near the north and south polar

caps, the dominance of the polar neutrino luminosities leads to make the positively growing feature of $h_{\nu,+}^{\text{equ}}$ in the top panels of Fig. 10 (blue line). From the spectral analysis of the gravitational waveform (the bottom panel of Fig. 10), it can be readily seen that it is not easy to detect these neutrino-originated GW signatures with slower temporal evolution ($\gtrsim 0(10)$ ms) by ground-based detectors whose sensitivity is limited mainly by the seismic noises at such lower frequencies. However these signals may be detectable by the recently proposed future space interferometers like Fabry–Perot type DECIGO ([158], black line in the bottom panel). Contributed by the neutrino GWs in the lower frequency domains, the total GW spectrum tends to become rather flat over a broad frequency range below ~ 100 Hz. These GW features obtained in the context of the SASI-aided neutrino-driven mechanism are different from the ones expected in the other candidate supernova mechanism, such as the MHD mechanism (e.g., Section 3.2) and the acoustic mechanism ([133], e.g., Section 7.1 in [22]). Therefore the detection of such signals could be expected to provide an important probe into the explosion mechanism.

Finally, most of the 3D models summarized in this section cut out the PNS and the neutrino transport is approximated by a simple light-bulb scheme [155] or by the gray transport scheme [141]. Needless to say, these exploratory approaches are but the very first step to model the neutrino-heating explosion and to study the resulting GWs. As already mentioned, the excision of the central regions inside PNSs truncates the feedback between the mass accretion to the PNS and the resulting neutrino luminosity, which should affect the features of the neutrino GWs. By the cut-out, efficient GW emission of the oscillating neutron star [133] and non-axisymmetric instabilities [132,121,122] of the PNSs, and the enhanced neutrino emissions inside the PNSs [138] cannot be treated in principle. To elucidate the GW signatures in a much more quantitative manner, full 3D simulations with a spectral neutrino transport are apparently needed. This is unquestionably a vast virgin territory awaited to be explored for the future.

3.2. GWs from MHD explosions

As already mentioned in the beginning of Section 3, state-of-the-art results concerning the GW signatures emitted *near bounce* in the case of rapidly rotating core-collapse have been given in the recent review by Ott (2009) [22] (e.g., Section 4). Conventionally the waveforms of the bounce signals are categorized into the three types, namely types I, II, and III. As explained in Ott (2009) [22], types II and III waveforms are shown less likely to appear than type I, because a combination of general relativity and electron capture near core bounce suppresses multiple bounce in the type II waveforms [119,116, 117]. In general, a realistic nuclear equation of state (EOS) is stiff enough to forbid the type III waveforms. So the generic type of the bounce signals is now known to take the type I waveform.

For avoiding overlap, we mainly focus on the *post-bounce* GW emission in the context of rapidly rotational core-collapse in this section. The major GW emission sites have been proposed to be magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) outflows and non-axisymmetric instabilities, which will be separately described in Sections 3.2.1 and 3.2.2, respectively.

3.2.1. MHD outflows

Numerical simulations of MHD stellar explosions have a long history²⁷ started already in early 1970s by LeBlanc and Wilson (1970) [159] shortly after the discovery of pulsars [160–162]. However, it is rather only recently that the MHD studies come back to the front-end topics in the supernova research followed by a number of extensive MHD simulations (e.g., [163,164,113,165–172,147,173–176] for references therein). Main reasons for this activity are observations indicating very asymmetric explosions [25,26], and the interpretation of magnetars [177,178] and gamma-ray bursts (e.g., [124,125]) as a possible outcome of the magnetorotational core-collapse of massive stars.

The MHD mechanism of stellar explosions relies on the extraction of rotational free energy of collapsing progenitor core via magnetic fields. Hence a high angular momentum of the core is preconditioned for facilitating the mechanism [179]. Given (a rapid) rotation of the precollapse core, there are at least two ways to amplify the initial magnetic fields to a dynamically important strength, namely by the field wrapping by means of differential rotation that naturally develops in the collapsing core, and by the magnetorotational instability (MRI, see [180,181]).

In the case of canonical initial magnetic fields ($\sim 10^9$ G) [90], the fastest growing modes of the MRI are estimated to be at most several meters in the collapsing iron core [182,183]. At present, it is generally computationally too expensive to resolve those small scales in the global MHD simulations, typically more than two or three orders-of-magnitudes smaller than their typical finest grid size. Let us remind first that the MHD explosions presented in the rest of this section are predominantly generated by the field wrapping mechanism assuming a very strong precollapse magnetic field ($B_0 \gtrsim 10^{11–12}$ G). Recent stellar evolution calculations show that this extreme condition could be really the case, albeit minor ($\sim 1\%$ of massive star population [184]), for progenitors of rapidly rotating metal-poor stars, which experience the so-called chemically homogeneous evolution [124,125].

Figs. 11 to 13 show several examples of gravitational waveforms obtained in representative MHD explosion models, in which the left and right panel shows the waveform and the blast morphology, respectively. After the bounce and ring-down signals with their typically duration of ~ 10 ms after bounce, a quasi-monotonically growing trend can be seen in the every waveform in the left panels of Fig. 11 to 13.

²⁷ Almost as old as the neutrino-driven model in Colgate and White (1966).

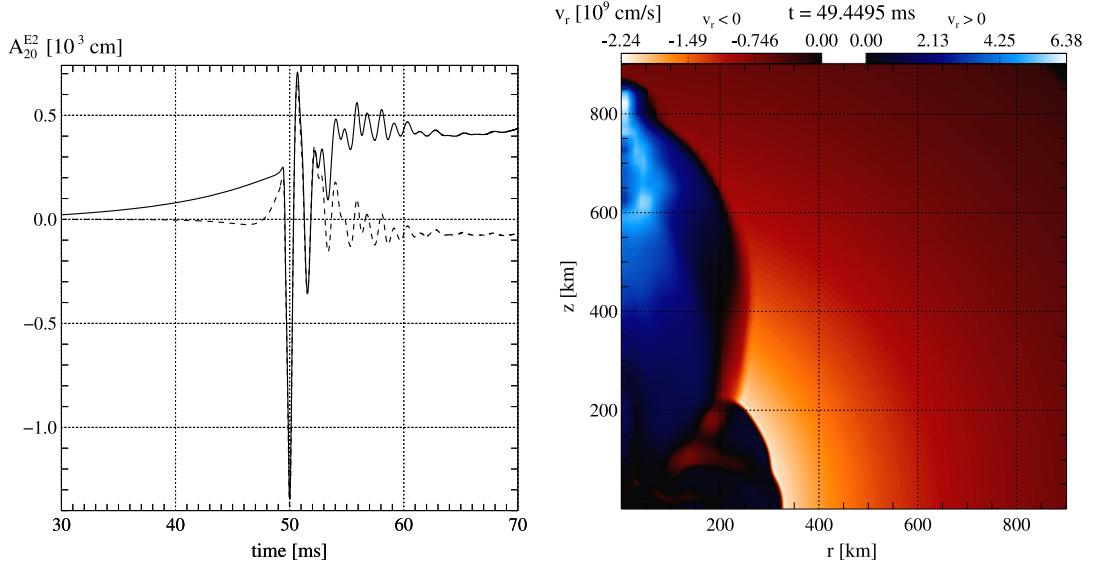


Fig. 11. Left panel shows a gravitational waveform in the 2D post-Newtonian simulations by Obergaulinger et al. (2006) [169] for their model A1B3G3-D3M13 in terms of the quadrupole amplitude A_{20}^{E2} . The dashed line comes from the contribution of regions inside 60 km in radius while the solid line shows the total signal. Comparing to the right panel (velocity contours at ~ 50 post-bounce), the post-bounce offset in the waveform is shown to come from the outer regions with bipolar outflows. These figures are by courtesy of Obergaulinger and the coauthors.

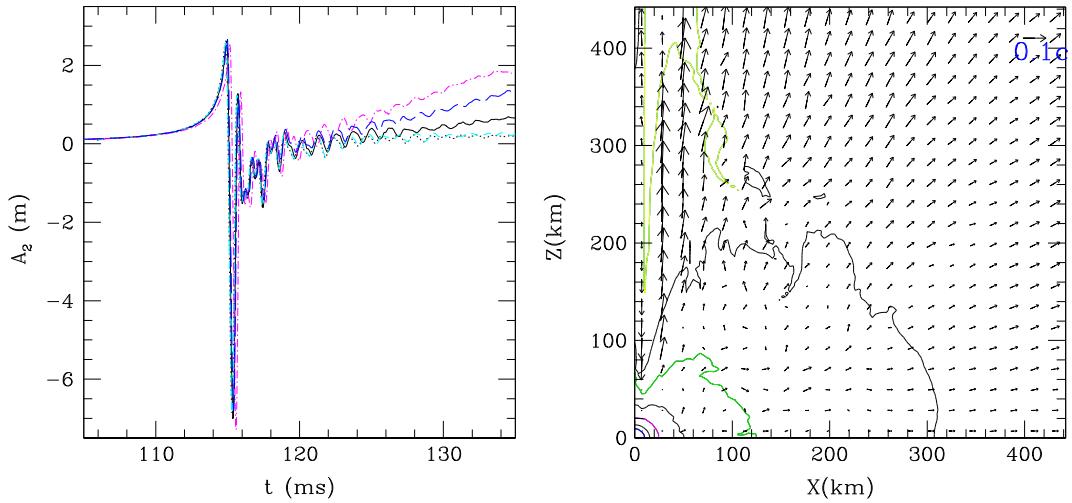


Fig. 12. Left panel shows a gravitational waveform in the 2D GRMHD simulations by Shibata et al. (2006) [185] for their models A1 to A4. For models with stronger precollapse magnetic fields (pink and blue lines), the quasi-increasing trend can be clearly seen. Right panel shows density contours with velocity vectors for a snapshot ($t = 152$ ms for model A4) illustrating MHD-driven jet-like outflows. These figures are by courtesy of Shibata and the coauthors.

Figs. 11 and 12 are from Obergaulinger et al. (2006) and Shibata et al. (2006) who obtained 2D MHD explosions either in Newtonian and approximate GR or full GRMHD simulations, respectively. Both of them employed polytropic precollapse models, a phenomenological EOS that mimics deleptonization and neutrino cooling. They pointed out that the increasing trend comes from bipolar flows driven by MHD explosions, which can be visible only for cores with precollapse magnetic fields over $B_0 \gtrsim 10^{12}$ G. 3D MHD simulations by Scheidegger et al. (2010) [122] included realistic EOSs and a deleptonization effect based on 1D-Boltzmann simulations [123]. Compared to the corresponding 2D models, they pointed out that the jet-like explosions in their 3D models are much more difficult to obtain because the wind-up of the poloidal into the toroidal field does not proceed efficiently enough due to the growth of spiral SASI modes. But when a very rapid precollapse angular velocity of $\Omega_0 = 3\pi$ rad/s and (strong) magnetic field of $B_0 = 10^{12}$ G were assumed, they observed the secularly growing trend associated with the MHD explosions also in their 3D simulations (Fig. 13).

In most of the mentioned MHD simulations, the bounce shock generally does not stall and a prompt explosion occurs within a few ten milliseconds after bounce. In fact, the typical timescales shown in Figs. 11 to 13 are at most 20 ms after bounce. This is because some of them followed adiabatic core-collapse [169,185], in which a polytropic EOS is employed

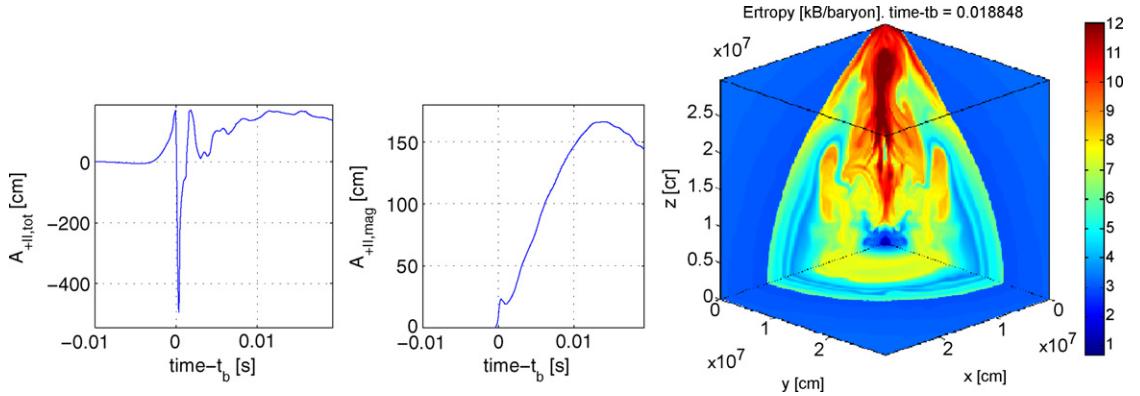


Fig. 13. Left pair panels show gravitational waveform in the 3D post-Newtonian simulations by Scheidegger et al. (2010) [122] for their model R4E1CF in which the left- and right-hand side corresponds to the total amplitude and contribution only from the magnetic field, respectively. The right panel shows the 3D blast morphology of their MHD explosion (entropy distribution at \$\sim 18\$ ms post-bounce for a cubic of \$300^3\$ km\$^3\$). These figures are by courtesy of Scheidegger and the coauthors.

to mimic supernova microphysics, and the deleptonization scheme in [122] cannot capture a drastic energy-loss behind the bounce shock due to neutrino cooling. However, for models with weaker precollapse magnetic fields akin to the current GRB progenitors, the prompt shocks stall firstly in the core like a conventional supernova model with more sophisticated neutrino treatment (e.g., the MHD version of the Princeton+ simulations presented in [170]). In such a case, the onset of MHD explosions, depending on the initial rotation rates, can be delayed till \$\sim 100\$ ms after bounce [170,174].

Takiwaki and Kotake (2011) [186] addressed this issue by performing 2D special relativistic MHD (SRMHD) simulations with the use of an approximate GR potential [168] in which a neutrino leakage scheme was employed to mimic neutrino cooling. The top left panel of Fig. 14 shows the quasi-monotonically increasing trend, which is obtained for a model with strong precollapse magnetic field (\$B_0 = 10^{12}\$ G) also with rapid rotation initially imposed (\$\beta\$ parameter = 0.1% with \$\beta\$ representing ratio of the rotational energy to the absolute value of the gravitational energy prior to core-collapse). Such a feature cannot be observed for a weakly magnetized model (\$B_0 = 10^{11}\$ G top right panel).

To understand the origin of the increasing trend, it is most straightforward to look into the quadrupole GW formula, which can be expressed in 2D as [187],

$$h = \frac{1}{R} A_{20}^{E2} \frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\frac{15}{\pi}} \sin^2 \theta \quad (3)$$

where \$R\$ is the distance to the source, \$\theta\$ is the viewing angle of the source, and \$A_{20}^{E2}\$ is the quadrupole harmonic amplitude consisting of the following three parts [113,164,168,186],

$$A_{20}^{E2} = A_{20(\text{hyd})}^{E2} + A_{20(\text{mag})}^{E2} + A_{20(\text{grav})}^{E2} \quad (4)$$

On the right-hand side, the first term is related to anisotropic kinetic energies which we refer to as hydrodynamic part,

$$A_{20(\text{hyd})}^{E2} = \frac{G}{c^4} \frac{32\pi^{3/2}}{\sqrt{15}} \int_0^1 d\mu \int_0^\infty r^2 dr f_{20(\text{hyd})}^{E2} \quad (5)$$

$$f_{20(\text{hyd})}^{E2} = \rho_* W^2 (v_r^2 (3\mu^2 - 1) + v_\theta^2 (2 - 3\mu^2) - v_\phi^2 - 6v_r v_\theta \mu \sqrt{1 - \mu^2}) \quad (6)$$

where \$\rho_*\$ is effective density \$\rho_* = \rho + (e + p + |b|^2)/c^2\$ with \$\rho\$, \$e\$, \$p\$ and \$b^2 = b_i b^i\$ representing the baryon density, internal energy, pressure, and the magnetic energy, respectively. \$\mu = \cos \theta\$ is the direction cosine and \$W = 1/\sqrt{1 - v^k v_k}\$ is the Lorentz boost factor with \$v_i\$ representing the spacial velocities in the spherical coordinates (see [186] for more details). The second term is related to anisotropy in gravitational potentials which we call as the gravitational part,

$$A_{20(\text{grav})}^{E2} = \frac{G}{c^4} \frac{32\pi^{3/2}}{\sqrt{15}} \int_0^1 d\mu \int_0^\infty r^2 dr f_{20(\text{grav})}^{E2} \quad (7)$$

$$f_{20(\text{grav})}^{E2} = \left[\rho h (W^2 + (v_k/c)^2) + \frac{2}{c^2} \left(p + \frac{|b|^2}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{c^2} ((b^0)^2 + (b_k)^2) \right] \\ \times \left[-r \partial_r \Phi (3\mu^2 - 1) + 3\partial_\theta \Phi \mu \sqrt{1 - \mu^2} \right] \quad (8)$$

where Φ is the gravitational potential of self-gravity, and finally the third term is related to anisotropy in magnetic energies that we refer to as magnetic part,

$$A_{20(\text{mag})}^{\text{E2}} = -\frac{G}{c^4} \frac{32\pi^{3/2}}{\sqrt{15}} \int_0^1 d\mu \int_0^\infty r^2 dr f_{20(\text{mag})}^{\text{E2}} \quad (9)$$

$$f_{20(\text{mag})}^{\text{E2}} = [b_r^2(3\mu^2 - 1) + b_\theta^2(2 - 3\mu^2) - b_\phi^2 - 6b_r b_\theta \mu \sqrt{1 - \mu^2}] \quad (10)$$

The middle right panel of Fig. 14 shows contributions to the total GW amplitudes (Eq. (6)) for the strongly magnetized model (corresponding to the top left panel in Fig. 14), in which the left-hand side panels are for the sum of the hydrodynamic and gravitational part, namely $\log(\pm[f_{20(\text{hyd})}^{\text{E2}} + f_{20(\text{grav})}^{\text{E2}}])$ (left top(+)/bottom(−) (Eqs. (6), (8)), and the right-hand side panels are for the magnetic part, namely $\log(\pm f_{20(\text{mag})}^{\text{E2}})$ (right top(+)/bottom(−)) (e.g., Eq. (10)). By comparing to the middle left panels, it can be seen that the positive contribution is overlapped with the regions where the MHD outflows exist. The major positive contribution is from the kinetic term of the MHD outflows with large radial velocities (e.g., $+\rho_* W^2 v_r^2$ in Eq. (6)). The magnetic part also contributes to the positive trend (see top right-half in the middle right panel (labeled by mag(+))). This comes from the toroidal magnetic fields (e.g., $+b_\phi^2$ in Eq. (10)), which dominantly contributes to drive MHD explosions.

The bottom panels in Fig. 14 show the GW spectra for a pair of models that does or does not have the increasing trend (left and right) as in the top panels. Regardless of the increasing trend, the peak amplitudes in the spectra are rather broad-band around 100–1000 Hz. On the other hand, the spectra for lower frequency domains (below ~ 100 Hz) are much larger for the model with the increasing trend (left) than without (right). This reflects a slower temporal variation of the secular drift inherent to the increase-type waveforms (e.g., top panels in Fig. 14). Similar to the neutrino GWs mentioned in Section 3.1, it is true that the GWs in the low frequency domains are difficult to detect due to seismic noises, but a recently proposed future space interferometers like Fabry–Perot type DECIGO is designed to be sensitive in the frequency regimes [158,188] (e.g., the black line in the bottom panels). These low-frequency signals, if observed, could be one important messenger of the increase-type waveforms that are likely to be associated with MHD explosions exceeding 10^{51} erg.

Concerning the microphysical aspects, the MHD simulations presented in this section are far behind the most up-to-date simulations in which the spectral neutrino transport is solved (e.g., Section 2 and Table 1). This means that the GW predictions in the MHD explosions are also still in their infancy. One may easily guess that it is numerically challenging to solve the neutrino transport in the highly non-spherical environments that are inherent to MHD explosions. The PNS is deformed to be like a dumbbell and the regions outside the PNS become highly anisotropic such as by the formation of the polar funnel region after the bipolar flows pass by.²⁸ It is an urgent task to sophisticate the GW predictions in the MHD explosions in the same level as those in the neutrino-driven explosion models.

3.2.2. Non-axisymmetric instabilities

As the textbook by Chandrasekhar (1969) [189] says (see also [190,24]), rapidly rotating compact objects can be subject to non-axisymmetric rotational instabilities when the ratio of rotational to gravitational potential energy ($T/|W| = \beta$) exceeds a certain critical value. Since the growing instabilities carry the object's spheroidal into a triaxial configuration with a time-dependent quadrupole (or higher) moment, strong GW emission can be expected (see Fryer and New (2011) [23] for a detailed review of the uncovered topics in this article).

Probably the best understood type of instability is the classical dynamical bar-mode instability with a threshold of $\beta_{\text{bar}} \gtrsim 0.27$. Rampp et al. (1998) [191] reported the first 3D hydrodynamic core-collapse simulations to study the growth of the bar mode instability and their impact on the GW emission. The initial condition for their study was based on the configuration at several milliseconds before core bounce in the rapidly rotating 2D models of Zwerger et al. (1996) [192]. In addition to the configuration, they imposed low mode ($m = 3$) density perturbation and followed the growth of the instability, where m stands for the azimuthal quantum number. They observed the three clumps merged into a bar-like structure due to the growth of the non-axisymmetric instability. In fact, their models are rapid rotators whose values of $T/|W|$ exceeds the critical value beyond β_{bar} , beyond which MacLaurin spheroids become dynamically unstable again triaxial perturbations. However, they found that the maximum GW amplitudes were only $\sim 2\%$ different from the 2D cases by Zwerger et al. [192]. 3D SPH simulations of a rapidly rotating model with the initial value of $T/|W|_{\text{init}}$ of $\sim 3\%$ by Fryer and his collaborators [58,193] reached a similar conclusion. Full GR 3D simulations by Shibata and his collaborators, on the other hand, pointed out that the maximum GW amplitudes for models with rapid rotation ($1 \lesssim T/|W|_{\text{init}} \lesssim 3\%$) can be enhanced by a factor of 10 than the ones predicted in the Newtonian studies mentioned above [194]. They discussed that the enhancement of the self-gravity due to the GR effects results in a more efficient spin-up of the core thus leading to the growth of the non-axisymmetric instability. The key question is whether such a precollapse rapid rotation ($T/|W|_{\text{init}} \gtrsim 1\%$) can be realized or not.

²⁸ In such a case, the ray-by-ray approximation would be not good. Instead, the MGFLD scheme or a recently proposed M1 closure technique [176] would be much better.

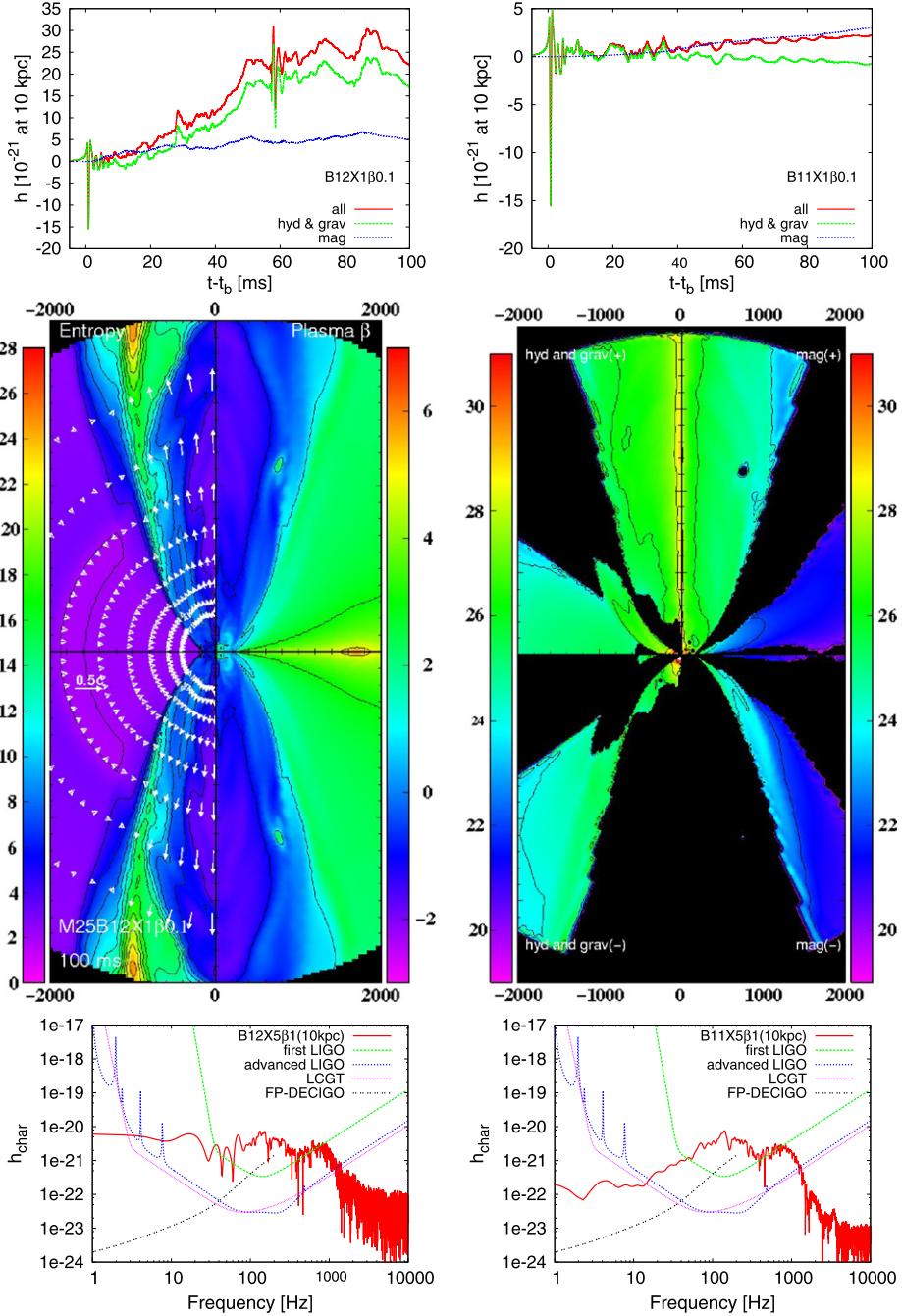


Fig. 14. Top panels show examples of gravitational waveforms with the quasi-monotonically increasing trend (left) or not (right panel) obtained in the 2D SRMHD simulations in Takiwaki and Kotake (2011) [186]. Initial rotation parameter is both set to be $\beta = 0.1\%$, while the precollapse magnetic field is taken as 10^{12} G (left) and 10^{11} G (right), respectively. The total wave amplitudes are shown by the red line, while the contribution from the magnetic fields and from the sum of hydrodynamic and gravitational parts are shown by blue and green lines, respectively. The middle panels show various quantities for analyzing the increasing trend taking the top-left-panel model as a reference. Left panel shows the distributions of entropy [k_B/baryon] (left-half) and logarithm of plasma β (right-half) at 100 ms after bounce. The white arrows (left-half) show the velocity fields, which are normalized by the scale in the middle left edge (0.5c). The middle right panel shows the sum of the hydrodynamic and gravitational parts (indicated by "hyd and grav" in the left-hand side) and the magnetic part (indicated by "mag" in the right-hand side), respectively. The top and bottom panels represent the positive and negative contribution (indicated by (+) or (-)) to A_{20}^E , respectively (see text for more details). The side length of the middle panels is 4000 (km) \times 8000 (km). The bottom panels indicate the detectability of the GW spectra for a model with (left) or without (right) the increasing trend, respectively. The supernova is assumed to be located at the distance of 10 kpc.

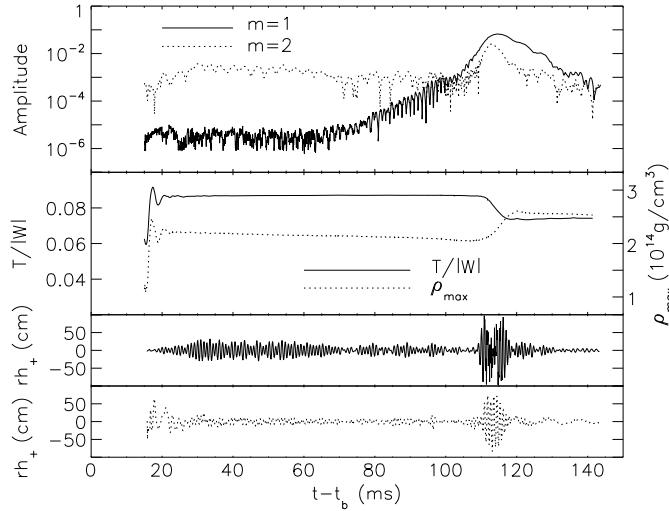


Fig. 15. Time evolution of various quantities in a 3D model with $T/|W|_{\text{init}} = 0.2\%$ calculated by Ott et al. (2005) [198]. Time is measured from the epoch of core bounce t_b . Top panel shows that the amplitude of the $m = 1$ mode precedes that of the $m = 2$. Middle panel shows the time evolution of $T/|W|$ and the core's maximum density. It is shown from the panel that after the epoch of $t - t_b \sim 100$ ms, when the $m = 2$ mode begins to be amplified, the transfer of the angular momentum becomes active which results in the increase of the maximum density and the decrease of the $T/|W|$. The bottom panel shows the gravitational strain at the distance to the source r as viewed down the rotational axis (solid curve) and as viewed along the equatorial plane (dotted curve). One can see that the waveform traces the time evolution of the $m = 2$ mode. Note in the panel that $rh = 100$ cm corresponds to $h \sim 3 \times 10^{-21}$ for a galactic supernova. This plot is by courtesy of Ott and the coauthors.

More recently, Ott et al. (2007) [132,195] and Dimmelmeier et al. (2008) [120] reported a systematic study in which a wide variety of the state-of-the-art stellar evolution models²⁹ was employed in their 3D full GR and 2D CFC core-collapse simulations. Their results presented a strong evidence that the post-bounce core, even in their extreme models, do not reach values of β close to β_{dyn} during collapse, bounce and during early post-bounce time. The PNS rotation could reach β_{dyn} if it would keep gravitationally contracting with conserving its angular momentum in their cooling phase (lasting on a timescale of \sim minutes). However in this case, the threshold of the secular bar-mode instability ($\beta_{\text{sec}} \sim 0.14$) may be first satisfied (e.g., [196]). For more in-depth reviews about this topic with their potential GW emission mechanisms, see recent reviews of Andersson (2003) [19] and Kokkotas (2008) [197].

In contrast to the high $T/|W|$ instabilities mentioned above, recent work, some of which has been carried out in idealized setups and assumptions [199–203] and later also in more self-consistent core-collapse simulations [198,121,122], suggest that a differentially rotating PNS can become dynamically unstable at much lower $T/|W|$ as low as $\lesssim 0.1$. Despite clear numerical evidence for their existence, the physical origin of the low- $T/|W|$ instability remains unclear. However it has been suggested [201,204] that the instabilities are associated with the existence of corotation points (where the pattern speed of the unstable modes matches the local angular velocity) inside the star and are thus likely to be a subclass of shear instabilities.³⁰

Fig. 15 shows various quantities for a non-magnetized $20 M_\odot$ model of Ott et al. (2005) that experiences the low- $T/|W|$ instability. They investigated the growth of the non-axisymmetric structure until the rather later phases (≥ 100 ms) after bounce [198]. They found that the growth of the $m = 1$ mode, the so-called one-armed instability [206,199,200,204], precedes the growth of the bar-mode ($m = 2$) instability (see the top panel in Fig. 15), where m denotes the azimuthal quantum number. They pointed out that the initial rotation rate can be as small as $T/|W|_{\text{init}} = 0.2\%$ for the sufficient gravitational radiation enough to be detected by the future detectors. This value is indeed much smaller than the one previously assumed for igniting the growth of the classical bar-mode instability.

More recently, Scheidegger et al. (2008, 2010) [121,122] investigated this issue by more realistic 3D MHD models that followed consistently the dynamics from core-collapse, through bounce, up to ~ 200 ms post-bounce in which a treatment for neutrino transport based on a partial implementation of the IDSA scheme [98]³¹ was incorporated. Top panels in Fig. 16 show the vorticity distribution in the equatorial plane selected from their 3D MHD models, in which the major difference originates from the inclusion of the neutrino transport effect (right) or not (left). Regardless of the model difference, a two-armed ($m = 2$) pattern is clearly seen (at ~ 10 ms after bounce for the plot) and then the spiral flows develop for more than several hundreds milliseconds later on. The middle panels display the quadrupole amplitude of the A_+ and A_x along the pole for their 3D MHD model with (right) or without the neutrino cooling (left). The most striking feature is that the

²⁹ Also by changing a huge parameter space spanned by initial rotation rate, degree of differential rotation, and different EOSs.

³⁰ Note that corotation resonance has been long known to be the key ingredients in the accretion disk system, such as the Papaloizou–Pringle instability [205].

³¹ See Section 2 for more details of the scheme.

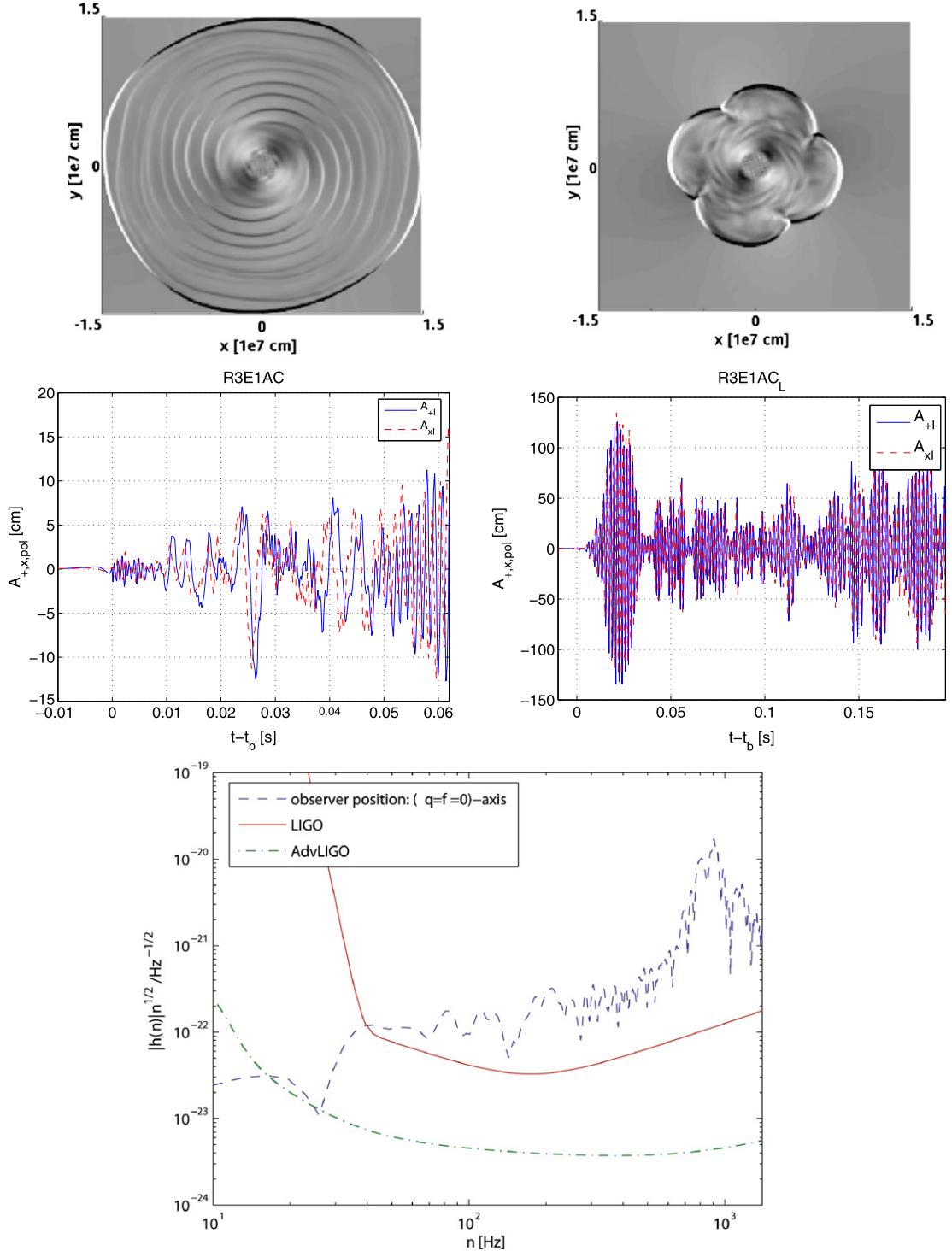


Fig. 16. Top panels depict the vorticity distribution in the equatorial plane of the 3D MHD models of R4STAC (left) and R4E1FC_L (right) in Scheidegger et al. (2010) [122] (at ~ 10 ms after bounce). A two-armed $m = 2$ pattern behind the stalled shock is clearly seen (the side length of the plot is $(300 \text{ km})^2$) either for their 3D model without (top left) or with the deleptonization effect (top right). The middle panels display the quadrupole amplitude of the A_+ and A_x along the pole for a given 3D MHD model without (left) or with the deleptonization effect (right). The bottom panel shows spectral energy distributions of the GW signal emitted along the polar axis for their representative 3D model experiencing the low- $T/|W|$ instability (model R4STCA) at a distance of 10 kpc. These plots are by courtesy of Scheidegger and the coauthors.

model with neutrino cooling (right) shows $5\text{--}10\times$ bigger maximum GW amplitudes due to the non-axisymmetric dynamics compared to their counterparts that neglect neutrino cooling (left). They pointed out that the neutrino cooling in the post-bounce phase leads to a more condensed PNS with a shorter dynamical timescale and also with much more matter enclosed in the unstable region (see the compactness of the spiral flows in the top right compared to the top left panel in Fig. 16), leading to much more powerful GW. Another important message from the middle panels is that the gravitational waveforms from the non-axisymmetric dynamics generally show narrow-band and highly quasi-periodic signals which persist until the end of simulations. For the periodic signals, the effectively measured GW amplitude scales with the number of GW cycles N as $h_{\text{eff}} \propto h\sqrt{N}$. This is the reason why the peak amplitude in the GW spectrum (the bottom panel in Fig. 16) exceed 10^{-20} for the galactic source, making the chance of detection quite higher. In fact, the wave amplitude from the short-duration bursts near bounce is generally smaller than 10^{-20} for the galactic source (e.g., the amplitude near 1 kHz in the bottom panels in Fig. 16).

For detecting (potentially) the most powerful GW signals, it is therefore of crucial importance to understand the properties of the non-axisymmetric instabilities. However the numerical difficulty to follow a long-term post-bounce evolution in 3D is the main hindrance at present. While the angular momentum is continuously brought in the iron core from stellar envelope that rotates with higher angular momentum, the shear energy in the vicinity of the corotation points will continue to be redistributed or even dissipated by some mechanisms including the MRI. In the mentioned 3D simulations, neutrino heating is not taken into account. Neutrino-driven convection would affect the growth of the non-axisymmetric instabilities as well as through the spiral SASI modes. The general relativity that has been mostly treated in a post-Newtonian manner should affect the growth rate. At first, we could start to address this question by performing parametric explosion models in 3D MHD (e.g., Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2). But for a more quantitative discussion, the full 3D GRMHD simulation with an appropriate neutrino transport is needed also in this case, towards which the supernova modelers will keep their efforts (as they have done since time immemorial) and more recently people in the numerical relativity are also joining in the efforts.

4. Summary and concluding remarks

The aim of writing this article was to provide an overview of what we currently know about the possible GW signatures of core-collapse SNe predicted by a number of extensive numerical simulations especially in the last ~ 15 years. In addition to the long-studied bounce GW signals, multiple new physical inputs have been proposed mostly in the last decade. Among them, we focused on the GW signatures produced by prompt convection, non-radial flows inside the PNS and in the neutrino-driven bubble, the activity of the SASI, and by asymmetric neutrino emission in the context of the neutrino-driven explosion models in Section 3.1, and by asymmetries associated with the effects of magnetic fields and non-axisymmetric rotational instabilities in Section 3.2. As mentioned in Section 2, our understanding of the physics to unravel these waveform features has been progressing in accordance with the sophistication of the numerical simulations on which SN modelers have been putting a huge effort for long.

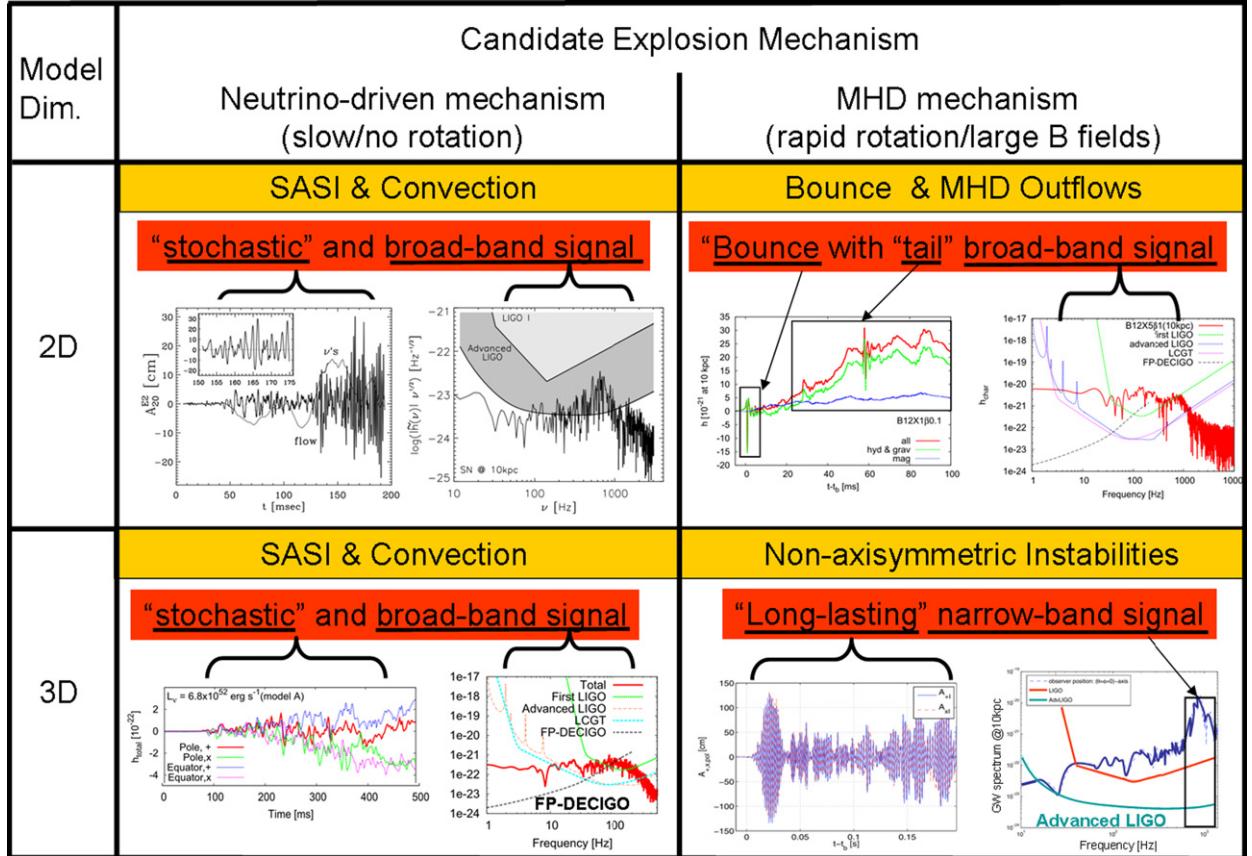
We wish that from Table 3, one might see a very rough illustrative summary of this article that describes a possible association between the potential explosion mechanisms (horizontal) and the emission processes with their GW signatures (columns colored by yellow and red) obtained in the recent multi-D simulations (vertical). At one sight it is a very good news for us that there is a clear correspondence between the explosion mechanisms and their GW signatures. This means that the GW observation could provide an important probe into the potential explosion mechanisms (see also Ott (2009) [22]).³² Although the criterion that bifurcates between the neutrino-driven mechanism and the MHD mechanism is still gray, rotation and magnetic fields in the precollapse cores should hold the key importance.

In the neutrino heating mechanism, the whole story may be summarized as follows. If a precollapse iron core has a “canonical” rotation rate as predicted by stellar evolution calculations ($\Omega_0 \lesssim 0.1$ rad/s), the collapse-dynamics before bounce proceeds spherically and the structures interior to the PNS are essentially spherical at this epoch. The stalling bounce shock gives rise to the GW signals of the prompt convection (see the inset of the top left panel in Table 3, and also Fig. 1 in Section 3.1 for more details). Typically later than ~ 100 ms after bounce, convective overturns as well as the SASI in the post-shock region become much more vigorous with time. Since anisotropies of the neutrino flux as well as matter motions in this epoch are governed by the non-linear hydrodynamics, the GWs signatures change also stochastically with time (Sections 3.1.1 and 3.1.2). This feature was already known in the first-principle 2D simulations (indicated by “stochastic” in Table 3, e.g., Section 3.1.3 for more details). Furthermore recent exploratory 3D simulations revealed that the stochastic nature becomes much more strong because the explosion geometry changes in all directions (Section 3.1.4). Note that the stochastic nature could become weaker in the presence of rotation as a result of the spiral SASI (Section 3.1.4), however the first-principle 3D simulations are apparently needed to draw a robust conclusion. Contributed by neutrino GWs dominant in the lower-frequency bands ($\lesssim 100$ Hz), the total GW spectrum tends not to be a single peak but rather flat over a broad frequency up to ~ 1 kHz. For detecting these GW signals for a Galactic supernova source with a good signal-to-noise ratio, we need next-generation detectors such as the advanced LIGO, LCGT, and the Fabry–Perot type DECIGO (e.g., the left panels in Table 3 (right-hand)). As a side remark, neutrino signals at this non-linear phase change also stochastically with time,

³² It should be also remembered that galactic core-collapse SN event is a quite rare event happening at a rate of one in a few decades. As theoreticians, we sincerely hope to be able to make clear the supernova mechanism and the related issues before observations tell us!

Table 3

Illustrative summarizing the relation of the potential explosion mechanisms (horizontal column) and their emission processes (columns colored by yellow) and GW signatures (columns colored by red) obtained so far in “2D” and “3D” simulations (vertical direction). In each column, the waveform (left) and the GW spectrum (right) are shown for some representative models, in which top left (2D, neutrino mechanism), top right (2D, MHD mechanism), bottom left (3D, neutrino mechanism), and bottom right (3D, MHD mechanism) are again taken from Figs. 4, 14, 8, and 16 (see each figure and their caption for more details). Figures in the top left and bottom right columns are taken from the results by Müller et al. (2004) [130] and Scheidegger et al. (2010) [122] by their courtesy. (For interpretation of the references to color in this table, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)



which could be detectable for a Galactic supernova in a currently running detector such as by IceCube [95,138,207]. When material behind the stalled shock successfully absorbs enough neutrino energy to be gravitationally unbound from the iron core, a powerful neutrino-driven explosion with its explosion energy exceeding 10^{51} erg will be obtained (Section 2). In this case, the GW waveforms would imprint the information of the blast morphologies (e.g., Section 3.1.1).

If a precollapse core rotates enough rapidly (typically initial rotation period less than ~ 4 s) with strong magnetic fields (higher than $\sim 10^{11}$ G) imposed initially, the MHD mechanism can produce bipolar explosions along the rotational axis predominantly by the field wrapping mechanism (Section 3.2).³³ The GW signals in energetic MHD explosions exceeding 10^{51} erg, are characterized by a burst-like bounce signal plus a secularly growing tail (indicated by “Bounce” with “tail” signals in the top right panel in Table 3, also Section 3.2). Likewise the neutrino GWs in the case of neutrino-driven explosions, the tail component makes the total GW spectrum broad-band. Going beyond 2D, recent 3D MHD simulations show a strong evidence that non-axisymmetric rotational instabilities can be a source of strong GW emission due to its periodicity and bar-mode character (see a sharp peak near ~ 1 kHz in the bottom right panel in Table 3). Note that the pole to equator anisotropy of the shock propagation in the MHD explosions could lead to a sudden decrease in the Super-Kamiokande events through the MSW flavor conversion (~ 2500 events for a Galactic source). A planned joint analysis of neutrino and GW data [208] would provide a powerful probe especially into the MHD-driven explosions that imprint these peculiar signatures distinct from other candidate explosion mechanisms. Note also that MHD explosions could be a possible *r*-process site because the mass ejection from the iron core takes place in much shorter timescales than in the delayed neutrino-heating

³³ If the MRI can be sufficiently resolved in global simulations, MHD outflows might be produced even for more weakly magnetized cores because the MRI can exponentially amplify the initial magnetic fields to a dynamically important strength within several rotational periods (e.g., collective references in Obergaulinger et al. (2009) [182]).

mechanism, which prevents the ejecta from being proton-rich by neutrino capture reactions [209–211].³⁴ As mentioned in the final part of Section 3.2, these interesting possibilities have been proposed so far by the numerical simulations with a crude treatment of neutrino transport, so that they are now awaited to be re-examined.

One important notice here is that the explosion energies obtained in some of the first-principle 2D simulations (Table 1 in Section 2) are underpowered by one or two orders of magnitudes to explain the canonical supernova kinetic energy ($\sim 10^{51}$ erg). What is then missing furthermore? To seek the answer is equal to making the GW prediction more accurate. We may get the answer by going to the first-principle 3D simulations or by taking into account new ingredients, such as exotic physics in the core of the protoneutron star [80,214], viscous heating by the magnetorotational instability [215, 183], or energy dissipation via Alfvén waves [216]. Very recently, GR has been pointed out to foster explosions because the advantage of GR (i.e., higher neutrino energies) dominates over the disadvantage (i.e., shorter advection timescale) (e.g., [103,82,88]). 3D effects might help neutrino-driven explosions as have been recently pointed out by 3D simulations with a spectral neutrino transport [84]. Assisted by a growing computer power, all these issues will be tested soon by the forthcoming first-principle simulations.

In addition to these advances in numerical simulations, the physical understanding of fundamental problems in the supernova theory is progressing at the same pace. What determines the saturation levels of SASI? A careful analysis on the parasitic instabilities has been reported to answer this question [217]. What determines mode couplings between the small-scale convection eddies and the large scale SASI modes? To apply the theory of turbulence [218] might put a milestone to address this question. The physical understanding of these phenomena should also give us a deep understanding of the GW features from the SASI and convection. Although it is also numerically challenging to resolve the small scale MRI modes in global simulations, it is very interesting to see their outcome in the neutrino-driven mechanism with rapid rotation. Besides the two representative EOSs of LS and Shen, new sets of EOSs have been recently reported [105–107]. Can we extract the information of the different EOSs by the GW observation? All of these questions may not be easy to answer immediately, but they should indeed provide us a precious chance to solve them if not for the GW astronomy.

If the neutrino-heating mechanism (or some other mechanisms) fails to explode massive stars, central PNSs collapse to BHs. Recent GR simulations [219] indicate that the significant GW emission is associated at the moment of the BH formation, which can be a promising target of the advanced LIGO for a Galactic source. As pointed out in [220], disappearing neutrino signals could also tell us the epoch of BH formations for a Galactic source. When quarks and pions could appear in a collapsing core, one may observe a neutrino burst induced by the recollapse of the PNS, which is triggered by the sudden softening of the EOS [80]. The intervals between bounce and the BH formation depend on the details of exotic physics in the super-dense core [221,222]. All of these observational signatures could be an important probe into the so-called dense QCD region in the QCD phase diagram (e.g., [223] for a recent review) to which lattice calculations are hardly accessible at present.

Finally, what is about the story if the MHD mechanism fails? The central cores with significant angular momentum would collapse into a BH. Neutrinos emitted from the accretion disk heat matter in the polar funnel region [224,225] or strong magnetic fields in the cores of order of 10^{15} G play also an active role both for driving the magneto-driven jets and for extracting a significant amount of energy from the BH (e.g., [32,226,227] and see references therein). This picture, often referred as collapsar [228–230], has been the working hypothesis as a central engine of long-duration gamma-ray bursts for these 20 years (see references in [231,226,227,232,233] for other candidate mechanism including magnetar models). It is indeed a big issue whether the formation of outflows predominantly proceeds via the neutrino-heating mechanism or MHD processes (see collective references in [234,235,100] for example). Comparing to various findings illustrated in Table 1, much little things are known about the BH-forming supernovae and about the collapsar. This may be partly because the requirement for the numerical modeling to this end is highly computationally expensive, which necessitates not only GRMHD simulations for handling the BH formation, but also multi-angle neutrino transfer for treating highly anisotropic neutrino radiation from the accretion disks (e.g., [71,236]).

To get a unified picture of massive stellar death in view of GW astronomy, we need to be able to draw a schematic picture (like Table 3) also in the case of the BH forming supernovae. A documentary film recording our endeavors to make our dream of “GW astronomy of massive stellar core-collapse” come true, seems not to come to an end immediately and is becoming even longer by taking into account the BH forming supernovae. In addition, a new horizon is now being opening up towards a multi-messenger astronomy by which we could have much more information to decipher the central engines of massive stars from the combined analysis between GWs, neutrinos, and electromagnetic messengers (e.g., [237] for a recent review). For example, optical observations using a large-aperture telescope such as the Subaru telescope with a detailed spectropolarimetric technique (e.g., [53]) is expected to give us an indication of the explosion geometry, which could be also helpful to constrain the asphericity of the central engines. Needless to say, it is of crucial importance to accurately determine nucleosynthesis in the SN ejecta for modeling supernova light curves (see, [238,239] for recent reviews). Note that these studies are now able to be updated by using recent results obtained in the first-principle simulations as mentioned in Section 2. Here we would like to lay down our pen hoping that in the near future a great progress will be made in our understanding of a number of exciting and unsettled issues raised in this article.

³⁴ See collective references in [212,213] for other plausible *r*-process cites.

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