Exploring the universe with gravitationa radiation:

vhere we come from and where we're going

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 $R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c4}T_{\mu\nu}$

REVOLUTION IN SCIENCE

NEW THEORY OF THE UNIVERSE.

NEWTONIAN IDEAS OVERTHROWN.

Yesterday afternoon in the rooms of the Royal Society, at a joint session of the Royal and Astronomical Societies, the results obtained by British observers of the total solar eclipse of May 29 were discussed.

The greatest possible interest had been aroused in scientific circles by the hope that rival theories of a fundamental physical problem would be put to the test, and there was a very large attendance of astronomers and physicists. It was generally accepted that the observations were decisive in the verifying of the prediction of the famous physicist, Einstein, stated by the President of the Royal Society as being the most remarkable scientific event since the discovery of the predicted existence of the planet Neptune. But there was differ-



London Times, 6 Novembre 1919



"Spacetime tells matter how to move; matter tells spacetime how to bend (John Archibald Wheeler)



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Time in General Relativity



Time flows more slowly as the gravitational field increases

General Relativity in our pocket: the GPS





Ripples in spacetime moving at the speed of light

How can we generate a gravitational wave?



How to generate a detectable gravitational wave?

Binary system with 2 neutron stars (1.4 solar mass each) R = 20 km

f = 400 Hz

 $r = 5 \ 10^{23} \text{ m} (15 \text{Mpc i.e. about 50 million light years})$

Stellar evolution





Binary systems (made of BHs, NSs, or both)



GW sources

upernova explosion

GW sources

Rotating neutron stars



Stochastic background of GWs (the gravitational equivalent of the cosmic microwave background)

GW sources



Only GWs can escape from the earliest moments of the Big Bang

How can we measure a GW?



GWs in oblivion for about 40 years...

...about till beginning of sixties



The network of bar detectors



EXPLORER CERN



AURIGA INFN National Labs in Legnaro

ALLEGRO Louisiana



NAUTILUS CERN \rightarrow INFN National Labs in Frasc



Detecting GWs with light







The first proposals

Proposal to the National Science Foundation

LASER INTERFEROMETER GRAVITATIONAL-WAVE OBSERVATORY (LIGO)

LIGO-M890001-00-M

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Proposta di

Antenna interferometrica a grande base per la ricerca di Onde Gravitazionali

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Detecting GWs with light













How to build a GW interferometer







14 September 2015 11:50:45 CET



- \bullet Initial masses of the two BHs: 36 $\rm M_{sol}$ and 29 $\rm M_{sol}$
- Final mass = 62 M_{sol}
- 3 solar masses have been converted in gravitational energy

$E = mc^2$

50 x light emitted by all the stars in the Universe in a few tenths of seconds

- Distance = 1,3 billions light years
- •10⁻¹⁸ meters measured by the interferometer



Also GWs coming form two neutron stars have been measured

August 17, 2017

GW170817: the localization





The international network



About 70 ground and space telescopes followed up this event

La localization of the source



The birth of multimessenger astronomy

What we learnt:

- (i) GWs came first and after 1,7 seconds a gamma ray burst was observed
 - \rightarrow binary neautron star mergers are the progenitors of short gamma ray bursts



The birth of multimessenger astronomy

What we learnt:

(ii) From the followingUV, visible and IR emission
 → we understood where heavy elements are made

inary neutron star mergers as factories of heavy elements in the Universe

Iridium Z= 77, A= 192





Platinum Z= 78, A= 195



Lead Z= 82, A= 207 Gold Z= 79, A= 197



The Observing Runs



- Three observing runs performed so far:
 - O1: September 12th 2015 to January 12th 2016;
 - O2: November 30th 2016 to August 25th 2017;
 - O3: April 1st 2019 to March 27th 2020.
- Each observing run has been followed/proceeded by an upgrade and commissioning phase;
- We are now completing the upgrade/commissioning phase toward O4, planned to start in May 2023





Monumental successes of the Advanced detectors

- First detection of GWs from a BBH system (GW15091
 Physics of BHs
- First detection of GWs from a BNS system (GW17081
 - Birth of the multimessenger astronomy with GW
 - Costraining EOS of NS
- Localisation capabilities of a GW source
- Measurement of the GW propagation speed
- Test of GR
- Alternative measurement of H₀
- GW polarisations
- Intermediate mass black hole (GW190521)





VIRGO BEST (12 Mpc)

AdV O2 (26 Mpc)

10x

AdV O3 (goal) (>65 Mpc)

Detection distance of GWD





The further future in Europe: Einstein Telescope (ET



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ET site(s)

- Currently there are two sites, in Europe, candidate to host ET:
 - The Sardinia site, close to the Sos Enattos mine
- The EU Regio Rhine-Meusse site, close to the NL-B-D border
- A third option in Saxony (Germany) is under discussion
- es are investigated through
- seismic noise measurements on surface, in boreholes and in mine (Sardinia)
- Magnetic and ambient noises measurements
- Geophysical and geotechnical characterizations
- rge funds needed to elaborate and propose the ndidature of the sites



The further future in the US: Cosmic Explorer



The Gravitational Wave Spectrum



Slide Credit Matt Evans (MIT)

Space detectors: eLISA



LISA concept

The plane of the constellation is inclined by 60° on the ecliptics

Heliocentric orbit, 1 AU radius, following the Earth by 20°



Irrent (lack of) understanding of the Universe



To re-compose a photograph of the Universe we need to observe it with several "eyes
E.M. astronomy
Neutrino astronomy
Gravitational wave astronomy

Multi-messenger and multi-wavelenght observation!

Thank you for your attention