

# Cosmological applications of GWs

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### Identification of Host Galaxies of GW Events

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#### Results of LIGO/Virgo/ KAGRA Observing Runs in the past

#### arXiv:2111.03606





- O1-O2: Gravitational Wave Transient Catalogue (GWTC-1)
  - 11 events (including 1 BNS)
- Up to O3a: GWTC-2.1
  - 55 events (including GWTC-1)
  - 2 BNS, 2 BH-NS
- Up to O3b: **GWTC-3** 
  - Total 90 events (2 BNS, 3 BH-NS, 2 uncertain, 83 BBH)



#### Masses in the Stellar Graveyard





#### Future runs: O4 and O5



- O4: 1 year run, split into
  - O4a and O4b (6 months each) with 1 month commissioning break in between.
- Start of O4a: to be finalized on Jan. 19.
- Data will be released 18 months after the end of each run

- Expect ~1 event per day:
  - ~ 300 BBH
  - ~ 9 events containing a neutron star
  - ~ 1 multimessenger BNS
  - + Nature's surprises:



#### **GW Astrophysics**

- We can determine many parameters from GW Observations
  - Distances ( $d_L$ )
  - Mass (*m*<sub>1</sub>, *m*<sub>2</sub>)
  - Spin (although very uncertain)
- It is important to identify host galaxies in order to carry out astrophysical research using GWs
  - Formation mechanisms
    - Isolated evolution/dynamical formation
  - Hubble constant, and other cosmological parameters)
- However, host galaxy has been identified for only one event (GW170818, a BNS event), through multi-messenger studies.



#### Why host identification is so difficult?

- Most of the GW sources do not emit electromagnetic (EM) radiation (e.g., BBH)
  - BNS or NS-BH can emit EM radiation, but they are rare and generally rather faint.
- Sky localization is done by triangulation using differences in the arrival times to different detectors.
  - Accuracy depends on the signal-to-noise ratio

$$\sin\theta d\theta = \frac{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2}}{\Delta t} \qquad \sigma_t = \frac{1}{2\pi\rho\sigma_f}$$



 $d\theta$ : width of the ring,  $\Delta t$ : baseline,  $\rho$ : signal-to-noise ratio,  $\sigma_{f}$ : effective

bandwidth of the source, (~100 Hz for NS binaries, smaller for BH binaries)

- $\Delta\Omega$  is very large (100 1000 sq. deg.)
- Localization accuracy improves with number and sensitivity of detectors



#### LIGO/Virgo Upgrades and near future detectors

- LIGO's upgrade plan
  - A+ (~50%)
  - Voyager (factor of 3)
  - Cosmic Explorer (order of magnitude)
- Additional Detectors
  - KAGRA (~2024), LIGO India (>2027)
  - Proposal for 8 km detectors in Australia (and possibly in China)
  - Einstein Telescope



Blair et al. 2015, Science China Physics, Mechanics, and Astronomy, 58, 5747



#### Can BBH hosts be identified with ground based detectors?

Howell, ... Lee, ... et al. 2018



Milky Way Galaxy at 0.4 Gpc

- With network of 5 advanced detectors and two additional detectors with better sensitivity, ~20% of the BBHs at 400 Mpc can be localized within 0.1 sq. deg.
- There could be 10-20 galaxies within the 0.1 sq. deg.
- BBH host identification by ground based detectors is very challenging!



#### **Observations with mid-frequency detectors**

- Detectors operating at lower frequencies can observe the merging binaries for a long time (days to years)
- The source position and inclination angle are encoded in the measured signal through
  - Relative amplitudes and phases of the two polarization components,
  - Periodic Doppler shift imposed on the signal by the detector's motion around the Sun,
  - Further modulation of the signal caused by the detector's time-varying orientation.
- Accuracies of  $\,\Omega$  and  $d_L$  can be significantly improved







### A case study: Simulation of BBH and BNS observations with AEDGE (Yang, Lee+, 2022, JCAP [arXiv:2110.9967v1])





#### Simulations of BBH with mid-freq. detector



Various cuts are assumed galaxy number densities: below these lines, we can uniquely identify host galaxies within 5 year observation



#### **Hubble Constant Estimation from Dark Sirens**





## So far we assumed circular binaries, but dynamical processes produce eccentric binaries



Rodriguez et al., PRD 98. 123005 (2018)



# Further improvements of estimated parameters for eccentric binaries

- In mid-frequency band, some binaries may have significant eccentricity (i.e., e > 0.1)
- The eccentric waveforms have more features than circular ones, and thus enable us to break some of the degeneracies during the inspiral phase → more accurate parameters can be inferred
- A case study with B-DECIGO:
  - $\Delta d_L/d_L$  can be improved near  $\iota = 0$ .
  - $(\Delta \Omega)_{e=0.1} \lesssim (\Delta \Omega)_{e=0}$
  - More improvement for larger *e*.







#### **Accurate Waveforms for longer duration**

- We developed accurate, easy to use waveforms in frequency domain covering 0.1~10 Hz for binaries with arbitrary eccentricity.
- Current status:
  - Time domain waveforms can be computed up to 4 PN. (Cho et al. 2022)
  - We need to transform the TD waveform into freq. domain.
- Spin:
  - Machinery for the inclusion of spin has been developed by Cho & Lee (2019), but has not been incorporated in the high order PN dynamics.
  - We are now improving the precessing waveforms





#### Summary

- Identification of the host galaxies is very important for the understanding of the the formation mechanisms and cosmological applications.
  - Followup observations in EM radiation is the obvious way, but such sources are very rare and limited to those containing neutrons stars
  - BBH do not emit EM radiation. The pointing accuracy of the groundbased detectors (including the future ones) is very poor for host identification.
  - However, some black hole binary host galaxies can be identified when mid-band detectors become available, through long duration observations.
  - If some binaries are eccentric, accuracies of directions and distances can be further improved.
  - Cosmological parameters could be precisely constrained with dark sirens alone with mid-band detectors.