High angular resolution gravitational wave astronomy in the deci-Hz regime



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- Multi-messenger observations of stellarmass binaries and high-precision determination of cosmological parameters
- * Exploration of new gravity theories



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Galaxy mergers create binaries of massive black holes

When these binaries coalesce, they emit gravitational waves, which could be observed with LISA and Pulsar Timing Array networks

What if we could identify the host galaxies of these mergers?

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- * Modifications in the gravitational waveform
- * Electromagnetic 'chirp' which tracks the phase of the gravitational waves
- Modulation of the electromagnetic lightcurve

Precise localization a few months (weeks) ahead of the merger to allow for joint EM/GW observations for a few hundreds of cycles is beyond LISA capabilities

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W band

94 GHz

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Resolving the gravitational wave background

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 - Information from gravitational lensing of GW due to intervening large scale structure
 - Precision of 0.1 % on ΛCDM cosmological parameters

Figure: G. Congedo (Voyage2050 White Paper: « High angular resolution gravitational-wave astronomy ») 12/15

New tools for fundamental physics

- Joint GW and EM observations will allow to explore a wide range of new gravity theories
 - New classes of sources in the deci-Hz range new regime for GR tests

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- Several proposals from the community based on laser interferometry (ALIA, DECIGO, BBO) with improved sensitivity at 0.1 Hz due to shorter arm length
- Developments in atom interferometry (MAGIS, AEDGE) will provide alternative designs
- US, Japan, China have expressed interest in a deciHz detector: possibilities for international collaboration

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- New frequency regime: discover new types of sources and provide new tools for cosmology and fundamental physics
- High-resolution observations will enable efficient multi-messenger campaigns
- Many promising technologies will allow to meet the requirements in the 2035-2050 time frame
- Possibility of collaboration with an international partner

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