

# CROSS-CORRELATION OF THE ASTROPHYSICAL GW BACKGROUND WITH GALAXY CLUSTERING

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Gravitational waves from distinct astrophysical mergers are already measured.

This is an important channel of gravitational wave detection. However, one can also try to measure the superimposed signal from all the astrophysical mergers in the universe known as the stochastic gravitational wave background of astrophysical origin.

This channel of gravitational wave detection might in fact contain a complementary information with respect to the standard channel mentioned above.

One merit of this signal is that it also includes contributions from weak, individually unresolvable sources.

Another important merit is the potential sensitivity to source redshift distribution.

We explored the potential of the anisotropies of the astrophysical gravitational wave background to constrain the cosmological parameters and various ingredients of the source physics.



LIGO/VIRGO Collaboration: "GW170817: Implications for the Stochastic Gravitational-Wave Background from Compact Binary Coalescences"



Cusin, Pitrou, Uzan, 2018

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\rho_{\mathrm{GW}}}{\mathrm{d}\nu_{\mathrm{o}}\mathrm{d}^{2}\Omega_{\mathrm{o}}}(\nu_{\mathrm{o}},e_{\mathrm{o}}) = \int \mathrm{d}\lambda \int \mathrm{d}\theta_{\mathrm{g}} \,\Phi\left[x^{\mu}(\lambda),\nu_{\mathrm{o}},\theta_{\mathrm{g}}\right] \,\frac{\mathrm{d}^{3}\mathcal{N}_{\mathrm{g}}}{\mathrm{d}\lambda\,\mathrm{d}^{2}\Omega_{\mathrm{o}}}\left[x^{\mu}(\lambda),\theta_{\mathrm{g}}\right]$$

Study perturbatively

$$C_{\ell}(\nu_{\mathrm{o}}) = rac{2}{\pi} \int \mathrm{d}k \, k^2 |\mathcal{E}_{\ell}(k,\nu_{\mathrm{o}})|^2$$

$$\begin{split} \hat{\mathcal{E}}_{\ell}(k,\nu_{\mathrm{O}}) &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \int \mathrm{d}\eta \, a^{4} \int \mathrm{d}\theta_{\mathrm{G}} \, \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{G}}(\bar{\nu}_{\mathrm{G}},\theta_{\mathrm{G}}) \, \bar{n}_{\mathrm{G}}(\eta,\theta_{\mathrm{G}}) \times \\ &\times \left\{ \left[ 4\hat{\Psi}_{k}(\eta) + 4\hat{\Pi}_{k}(\eta) + b\hat{\delta}_{k}(\eta) \right] j_{\ell}(k\Delta\eta) - 2k\hat{v}_{k}(\eta)j_{\ell}'(k\Delta\eta) - 6\int_{\eta_{\mathrm{O}}}^{\eta} \mathrm{d}\eta' \dot{\Psi}_{k}(\eta')j_{\ell}(k\Delta\eta') + \\ &+ \frac{1}{\mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{G}}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{G}}}{\partial \nu_{\mathrm{G}}} \Big|_{\bar{\nu}_{\mathrm{G}}} \frac{\nu_{\mathrm{O}}}{a} \left[ -\hat{\Psi}_{k}(\eta)j_{\ell}(k\Delta\eta) - \hat{\Pi}_{k}(\eta)j_{\ell}(k\Delta\eta) + k\hat{v}_{k}(\eta)j_{\ell}'(k\Delta\eta) + 2\int_{\eta_{\mathrm{O}}}^{\eta} \mathrm{d}\eta' \dot{\Psi}_{k}(\eta')j_{\ell}(k\Delta\eta') \right] \right\} \end{split}$$

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LIGO/VIRGO Collaboration: "Directional limits on persistent gravitational waves using data from Advanced LIGO's first two observing runs"



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**Cosmic-variance-dominated** 

## Modelling the signal



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$$\Omega_{\rm GW}(\hat{\mathbf{r}}) = \int dr \ r^2 \mathcal{K}(r) \bar{n}(r) \left(\delta_{\rm g}(\vec{\mathbf{r}}) + 1\right)$$
Astrophysical kernel
From real space to
angular space
$$C_{\ell}^{\rm GW} = 4\pi \int_{k_{\rm min}}^{k_{\rm max}} \frac{dk}{k} |\delta\Omega_{\ell}|^2 \mathcal{P}(k) + B_{\ell}^{\rm GW}$$

**Primordial power spectrum**  $\mathcal{P}(k) = A_s \left(k/k_*\right)^{n_s-1}$ 

**Integrands** 
$$\delta\Omega_{\ell}(k) = \int dr \ r^{2} \mathcal{K}(r) \bar{n}(r) T_{g}(k,r) j_{\ell}(kr)$$

Shot-noise contribution  $B_{\ell}^{\text{GW}} = \int dr \ \mathcal{K}^2(r) \bar{n}(r) r^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1+z(r)}{R(r)T_O} \right]$ 

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### Shortcomings of the autocorrelation



 $C_{\ell}^{GW \times GC} = 4\pi \int \frac{dk}{k} \,\delta\Omega_{\ell}^*(k)\Delta_{\ell}(k)\mathcal{P}(k) + B_{\ell}$ 

 $B_{\ell} = \int dr \ W_i(r) \mathcal{K}(r)$ 









# Dependence on $\Omega_M$ prior



## What to expect?



The anisotropies are likely to first be detected via the cross-correlation

Very sensitive to the features in the astrophysical kernel  $\mathcal{K}(z)$ 

 $\blacktriangleright$  Useful for cosmology if  $\mathcal{C}_{\rm max} \sim 100$  is detected

#### Shot noise: autocorrelation



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### Shot noise: cross-correlation

$$C_{\ell}^{GW \times GC} = 4\pi \int \frac{dk}{k} \, \delta \Omega_{\ell}^*(k) \Delta_{\ell}(k) \mathcal{P}(k) + B_{\ell}$$

$$B_{\ell} = \int dr \; W_i(r) \mathcal{K}(r)$$

$$B_\ell = \int d^2 \hat{\mathbf{r}} P_\ell(\hat{\mathbf{r}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}') ext{Cov}[\Omega(\hat{\mathbf{r}}), \Delta(\hat{\mathbf{r}}')]_{ ext{SN}}$$

 $Cov[\Omega(\hat{\mathbf{r}}), \Delta(\hat{\mathbf{r}}')]_{SN} = \int dr \int dr' \frac{r^2}{\bar{n}} \times Cov[\mathcal{K}(r)n(\vec{\mathbf{r}}), W_i(r')n(\vec{\mathbf{r}}')]_{SN}$ 

Number of events in  $\delta V_i$  $\delta V_i$  $\Lambda_i = \sum_{k}^{N_i} \lambda_k$  $\delta V_i$  $Var[\Lambda_i] = \langle \Lambda_i^2 \rangle - \langle \Lambda_i \rangle^2 = \langle N_i \rangle (\langle \lambda \rangle + \langle \lambda \rangle^2)$  $Cov[\mathcal{K}(r)n(\vec{\mathbf{r}}), W_i(r')n(\vec{\mathbf{r}}')]_{SN} = \bar{n}(r)W_i(r)\mathcal{K}(r)\delta^3(\vec{\mathbf{r}} - \vec{\mathbf{r}}').$ 



# Some ideas

Astrophysical GWB and its anisotropies: cross-correlation with galaxy catalogues is a promising observable.

Will LIGO+Euclid be able to detect the cross correlation?

Useful for GW lensing?

Frequency dependence detectable?

Anisotropic GWB from exotic sources

Primordial Black Hole mergers

Cosmic strings

Sensitivity to dark matter models