

Using Gravitational Waves to see the Early Universe

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Plan of the talk

1. A brief introduction to high-scale physics:

- a. Dark Matter
- b. Matter-Antimatter asymmetry
- c. Scale of Quantum Gravity
- d. Primordial Black Holes

2. Gravitational Wave Physics

- a. Theory b. Sources c. Detectors d. Recent Discoveries
- **3. GWs from Domain Walls and its applications**
- **4. GWs from Cosmic Strings and its applications**
- **5. GWs from PBH and its applications**
- **6. Summary and Conclusion**

The Early Universe

- 1. Inflation
- 2. Dark Matter
- 3. Matter-Antimatter asymmetry
- 4. Scale of Quantum Gravity
- 5. PBH

A. Motivation to look for BSM Physics

- **B. High-Scale Physics**
- **C. Cosmological Observations: a powerful investigative tool**

Dark Matter

Evidence of DM : Galaxy Rotation Curve

Detecting particle nature of DM:

What we know:

- \Box Relic density
- \Box Massive
- \Box Stable object
- \Box No or very weak interaction

What we don't know:

- □ Nature of DM
- \Box Interaction
- \Box Production mechanism

How massive? How to probe?

"No dessert until you finish your dark matter."

Matter-Antimatter asymmetry

Every particle has its counterpart, called an antiparticle. Antiparticle is identical to its particle counterpart in all respects except charge.

$$
Y_B = \frac{n_B - n_{\bar{B}}}{s} = (8.70 - 8.73) \times 10^{-11}
$$

Most explanations consider very high-energy scales, can we test such scales?

Scale of Quantum Gravity

Vafa, hep-th/0509212 Ooguri & Vafa, NPB 766, 21 (2007)

□ For decades **EFT has played a vital role** in Particle physics

- \Box It has **guided physicists** looking for the signatures of new physics
- \Box However, it has limitations: The situation becomes different once we include gravity and demand that the **EFT** in question is valid at all energies in suitable QG theory

Primordial Black Holes

Any observational effects of such PBHs?

Gravitational Waves:

Ripples in the fabric of spacetime

Gravitational Waves: Theory

Possible sources of GW in the early Universe

- **GW propagates freely once generated**
- **Carry unique information about the processes that produced them**

Possible Sources:

- 1. Inflation
- 2. Phase Transition
- 3. Topological Defects
- 4. Primordial Black Holes

These sources might also be the origin of some of the Cosmological Puzzles:

- 1. Dark Matter
- 2. Matter-Antimatter asymmetry
- 3. Primordial Black Holes

Can we use GW to TEST/PROBE these high-energy scales?

GW Detections

THE SPECTRUM OF GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

cesa

Credit to ESA

Recent Discoveries

Discovery of GW by LIGO-VIRGO Col.

Source of GW: Merging of pair of BHs at $z = 0.09$

Recent results reported by PTA projects

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The Cosmos Is Thrumming With **Gravitational Waves, Astronomers** Find

Several PTA projects have reported positive evidence of a stochastic gravitational wave background.

Source of SGWB: Merging of SMBH Binaries/Cosmological

GWs: Important Scientific Milestones

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2017

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Some recent works on GW from Domain Walls

Citation Summary

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Domain Wall Formation

$$
V(\phi)=\frac{\lambda}{4}(\phi^2-v^2)^2
$$

Spontaneous breaking of \mathbb{Z}_2

From Yann Gouttenoire's SHEP seminar

Domain Wall: Fact-Sheet

Surface Tension

$$
\sigma = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\partial \phi(x)}{dx} \right)^2 + V(\phi(x)) \right] = \sqrt{\frac{8\lambda}{9}} v^3
$$

Energy Density

 $\rho_{\rm DW}\propto a^{-1}$ (Dilutes much slower than radiation and matter)

Scale factor

Possible Solutions

- **1. If formed before inflation, they can be inflated away**
- **2. Symmetry restoration at some temperature**
- **3. Metastable Domain Walls**

Gravitational Waves from Domain Walls

Applications: GW from DW

The renormalizable potential $(Z_2$ -conserving)

$$
V = \mu^2 H^{\dagger} H + \lambda (H^{\dagger} H)^2 + H^{\dagger} H (\lambda_{hs1} S_1^2 + \lambda_{hs2} S_2^2)
$$

+ $\lambda_{s12} S_1^2 S_2^2 + \mu_2^2 S_2^2 + \frac{\lambda_2}{4} S_2^4 + \frac{\lambda_1}{4} (S_1^2 - v_1^2)^2$

Dimension-five potential $(Z_2$ -breaking)

$$
\Delta V = \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{QG}}} \sum_{i=1}^{2} (\alpha_{1i} S_i^5 + \alpha_{2i} S_i^3 H^2 + \alpha_{3i} S_i H^4) + \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{QG}}} \sum_{j=1}^{4} c_j S_1^j S_2^{5-j}
$$

$$
V_{\text{bias}} \simeq \frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{QG}}} \left(v_1^5 + \frac{v_1^3 v_h^2}{2} + \frac{v_1 v_h^4}{4} \right)
$$

DM Decay:

 $\Delta V \supset S_2 H^4/\Lambda_{\rm QG}$

Electroweak symmetry breaking
Mixing between S_2 and H : $\sin \theta = \frac{v_h^3}{(m_h^2 - m_{\rm DM}^2)\Lambda_{\rm OG}}$

Indirect detection of dark matter

CMB power spectrum
 $\frac{\tau_{\text{DM}}}{\sim} 10^{25} \text{ s}$ HEAO-1
INTEGRAL
COMPTEL
EGRET 10^{27} **FERMI** 10^{26} 10^{25} (5) 10^{24} 10^{23} 10^{22} 10^{-3} 10^{-2} 10^{-1} $10⁰$ 10^{1} **Slatyer & Wu, PRD 95, 2, 023010 (2017)**

GW from DW: Testing the scale of Quantum Gravity

Some recent works on GW from Cosmic Strings

Citation Summary

Gravitational wave bursts from cosmic strings

Thibault Damour (IHES, Bures-sur-Yvette), Alexander Vilenkin (Tufts U.) (Apr, 2000) Published in: Phys.Rev.Lett. 85 (2000) 3761-3764 · e-Print: gr-qc/0004075 [gr-qc]

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Cosmic String Formation

Madrid Ferrors

Cosmic Strings

CS is a 1-d defect originating from SSB of U(1) symmetry.

a. Breaking of global U(1) symmetry: **Global string** b. Breaking of local U(1) symmetry: **Local string**

Cosmic Strings: Fact-Sheet

The evolution of CS network is much more complicated:

- **a. Intercommutation of intersecting strings leads to the formation of loops of different sizes.**
- **b. Smaller loops decay by radiating GW.**

(a) Intersection

(b) self-intersection

Gravitational Waves from Cosmic Strings

At a later time, the size of a loop's initial length $l_i = \alpha t_i$ can be $l(t) \simeq \alpha t_i - \Gamma G \mu(t - t_i).$ expressed as:

 $G\mu$: String Tension $\Gamma = 50$

Set of normal mode oscillation with frequency $f_k = 2k/l$

$$
\Omega_{\rm GW}(t_0, f) = \sum_{k} \Omega_{\rm GW}^{(k)}(t_0, f) \qquad f \equiv f(t_0) = f_k a(t_0) / a(t)
$$

GW energy density at present:

$$
\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{(k)}(f) = \frac{1}{\rho_c} \frac{2k}{f} \frac{\mathcal{F}_{\alpha} \Gamma^{(k)} G \mu^2}{\alpha(\alpha + \Gamma G \mu)} \int_{t_F}^{t_0} d\tilde{t} \frac{C_{\text{eff}}(t_i^{(k)})}{t_i^{(k)}} \left[\frac{a(\tilde{t})}{a(t_0)} \right]^5 \left[\frac{a(t_i^{(k)})}{a(\tilde{t})} \right]^3 \Theta(t_i^{(k)} - t_F),
$$
\n
$$
\text{Typical feature:}
$$
\n
$$
\Omega_{\text{GW}}^{(k=1),\text{plateau}}(f) = \frac{128\pi G\mu}{9\zeta(\delta)} \frac{A_r}{\epsilon_r} \Omega_r \left[(1 + \epsilon_r)^{3/2} - 1 \right]
$$
\n
$$
\epsilon_r = \alpha / \Gamma G \mu \quad \Omega_r \simeq 9 \times 10^{-5} \quad A_r = 5.4
$$

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Applications: GW from Cosmic Strings

Example I: JHEP 11 (2021) 175 (Ligong Bian, Xuewen Liu and Ke-Pan Xie)

The relevant symmetry:
$$
SM \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathrm{U}(1)_{B-L}
$$
 Gauged Cosmic String GW

The relevant Lagrangian:

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\rm B-L} = \sum_i \bar{\nu}_R^i i\cancel{p}_V^i_{R} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} \left(\lambda_R^{ij} \bar{\nu}_R^{i,c} \Phi \nu_R^j + \right) - \sum_{i,j} \left(\lambda_D^{ij} \bar{\ell}_L^i \tilde{H} \nu_R^j + \right) + D_\mu \Phi^\dagger D^\mu \Phi - \lambda_\phi \left(|\Phi|^2 - \frac{v_\phi^2}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} Z'_{\mu\nu} Z'^{\mu\nu},
$$

The relevant Lagrangian for DM:

$$
\mathcal{L}_{\rm DM} = \bar{\psi} \left(i \cancel{p} - M_{\psi} \right) \psi + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{\mu} S \partial^{\mu} S - \frac{1}{2} M_{S}^{2} S^{2} + \left(\lambda_{1} S \overline{\psi} \nu_{R} \right) + \lambda_{2} S \overline{\psi} \psi,
$$

$$
\mathcal{L}_{6} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^{2}} \sum_{i,j,j'} (\bar{\psi}^{c} u_{R}^{i}) (\bar{d}_{R}^{j,c} d_{R}^{j'}) + \text{h.c.,} \quad \textbf{(Responsible for the slow decay)}
$$

GW from CS: As a probe to super-heavy DM

Applications: GW from Cosmic Strings

Example II: Nucl.Phys.B 1002 (2024) 116528

The relevant Lagrangian:

$$
-\mathcal{L} \supset \sum_{\alpha,i} Y_{\alpha i} \overline{L}_{\alpha} \tilde{H} N_i + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1,2} h_{ij} S \overline{N^c_i} N_j + \frac{1}{2} M_3 \overline{N^c_3} N_3 + \frac{m_{\rm DM}^2}{2} \phi^2.
$$

Multiple Matter Dominated era resulting from:

- **PBH dominated Universe**
- **Diluter (N3) dominated universe**

GW from CS: probing multiple MD eras

Some recent works on GW from PBH

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Primordial Black Holes (PBH)

Collapse of large inhomogeneities PBH formation **Collapse of cosmic string loops Bubble collisions PBH mass at formation: Black hole** $\frac{1}{8\pi G M_{\text{BH}}} \approx 1.06 \left(\frac{10^{13} \text{ g}}{M_{\text{BH}}}\right) \text{ GeV}$ **P** $\frac{1}{3} \pi \gamma \left(\frac{1}{\mathcal{H}(T_{\text{in}})}\right)^3 \rho_{\text{rad}}(T_{\text{in}})$ $T_{\text{BH}} = \frac{1}{8\pi G M_{\text{BH}}} \approx 1.06 \left(\frac{10^{13} \text{ g}}{M_{\text{BH}}}\right) \text{ GeV$ $\beta \equiv \frac{\rho_{\rm BH}\left(T_{\rm in}\right)}{\rho_{\rm rad}\left(T_{\rm in}\right)} \nonumber \ \beta < \beta_{\rm crit} \equiv \gamma^{-1/2}\sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{G}\,g_\star\left(T_{\rm BH}\right)}{10640\,\pi}}\frac{M_{\rm pl}}{m_{\rm in}}$ **Hawking evaporation: Energy PBH dominated Universe** $\frac{dm_{\rm BH}(t)}{dt} = -\frac{{\cal G}\,g_{\star}\left(T_{\rm BH}\right)}{30720\,\pi}\,\frac{M_{\rm pl}^4}{m_{\rm in}(t)^2} \quad ,$ **Bound on PBH mass:** $0.1\,\mathrm{g} \lesssim m_{\rm in} \lesssim 3.4\times 10^8\,\mathrm{g}$

Scale factor

PBH: Fact-Sheet

$$
T_{\rm in} = \left(\frac{45\,\gamma^2}{16\,\pi^3\,g_\star\,(T_{\rm in})}\right)^{1/4}\,\sqrt{\frac{M_{\rm pl}}{M_{\rm BH}(T_{\rm in})}}\,M_{\rm pl} \qquad T_{\rm BH} = \frac{1}{8\pi\,G\,M_{\rm BH}} \approx 1.06\,\left(\frac{10^{13}\,\rm g}{M_{\rm BH}}\right)\,\rm GeV \qquad T_{\rm evap} \equiv \left(\frac{45\,M_{\rm pl}^2}{16\,\pi^3\,g_\star\,(T_{\rm evap})\,\,\tau^2}\right)^{1/4}\,\rm yr
$$

Particle production from PBH

$$
\mathcal{N}_X = \frac{g_{X,H}}{g_{\star,H}(T_{\rm BH})} \begin{cases} \frac{4\,\pi}{3}\left(\frac{m_{\rm in}}{M_{\rm pl}}\right)^2 & \text{for}\,\,m_X < T_{\rm BH}^{\rm in}\,,\\ \\ \frac{1}{48\,\pi}\left(\frac{M_{\rm pl}}{m_X}\right)^2 & \text{for}\,\,m_X > T_{\rm BH}^{\rm in}\,. \end{cases}
$$

Leptogenesis from PBH:

$$
M_1\left\{\begin{matrix}>\frac{4\,g_{\star,H}(T^{\rm in}_{\rm BH})}{g_X\,a_{\rm sph}}\,\zeta\,\frac{Y^0_B}{Y^{\rm evap}_B}\,\frac{v^2\,M^2_{\rm pl}}{m_\nu\,m_{\rm in}^2} & \text{for}\,\,M_1 < T^{\rm in}_{\rm BH}\,; \\ < \frac{g_X\,a_{\rm sph}}{256\,\pi^2\,g_{\star,H}}\,\frac{1}{\zeta}\,\frac{Y^{\rm evap}_B}{Y^0_B}\,\frac{M^2_{\rm pl}\,m_\nu}{v^2} & \text{for}\,\,M_1 > T^{\rm in}_{\rm BH}\,, \end{matrix}\right.
$$

DM from PBH:

$$
\Omega_{\rm DM} \, h^2 = \mathbb{C}(T_{\rm ev}) \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi^2} \sqrt{\frac{M_{\rm pl}}{m_{\rm in}}} m_{\rm DM} & \text{for } m_{\rm DM} < T_{\rm BH}^{\rm in} \\ \frac{1}{64 \, \pi^4} \left(\frac{M_{\rm pl}}{m_{\rm in}}\right)^{5/2} \frac{M_{\rm pl}^2}{m_{\rm DM}} & \text{for } m_{\rm DM} > T_{\rm BH}^{\rm in} \end{cases}
$$

with

$$
\mathbb{C}(T_{\rm ev}) = \frac{s_0}{\rho_c} \frac{1}{\zeta} \frac{g_{X,H}}{g_{\star,H}} \frac{5}{g_{\star s}(T_{\rm ev})} \left(\frac{\pi^3 g_{\star}(T_{\rm ev})}{5}\right)^{3/4} \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{G} g_{\star,H}}{10640 \pi}}.
$$

Gravitational Waves from PBH

Applications: GW from PBH

Based on PRD 107 (2023) 9, 095002

$$
-{\cal L} \supset \lambda \, S \, \psi \, u^c + \lambda' \, S^\star \, d^c \, d^c + \frac{1}{2} \, m_\psi \, \overline{\psi^c} \, \psi + {\rm h.c.}
$$

$$
Y_B = \frac{n_B}{s} = \epsilon_1 \frac{n_{S_1}}{s} + \epsilon_2 \frac{n_{S_2}}{s}.
$$

GW from PBH: Probing Asymmetric Universe

Summary and Conclusion

1. **Some high-scale issues**: **DM, baryon asymmetric Universe**, the **scale of QG**.

2. How to **test/probe** these scales? **Primordial Gravitational Waves?**

3. GW can have **cosmological origins:** Phase transition, **Topological defects, PBHs**, etc.

4. The **same sources** might also **produce particles responsible for** all the **cosmological puzzles** discussed above.

4. This suggests that primordial **GW** can help us understand/test/probe these scales because they might have a **common origin.**

5. Gravitational wave cosmology is one of the most promising avenues for discovering physics beyond **the Standard Model.**