Electromagnetic Counterparts of GW sources Past, Present and Future

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Outline

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- Conclusions

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What and how?

* For ns² and ns-BH Nothing is really expected for BHBH

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LETTERS TO NATURE

Nucleosynthesis, neutrino bursts and γ -rays from coalescing neutron stars

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NEUTRON-STAR collisions occur inevitably when binary neutron stars spiral into each other as a result of damping of gravitational radiation. Such collisions will produce a characteristic burst of gravitational radiation, which may be the most promising source of a detectable signal for proposed gravity-wave detectors¹. Such signals are sufficiently unique and robust for them to have been proposed as a means of determining the Hubble constant². However, the rate of these neutron-star collisions is highly uncertain³. Here we note that such events should also synthesize neutronrich heavy elements, thought to be formed by rapid neutron capture (the r-process)⁴. Furthermore, these collisions should produce neutrino bursts⁵ and resultant bursts of γ -rays; the latter should comprise a subclass of observable γ -ray bursts. We argue that observed r-process abundances and y-ray-burst rates predict rates for these collisions that are both significant and consistent with other estimates.

GRBs - Observations

Prompt gamma rays (0.1–100 sec)
Energy 10⁴⁹–10⁵² ergs
Spectrum ~300 keV but up to a few GeV
Afterglow: X-ray (~ days), optical (~ weeks) and radio (~ year)

GRBs - Theory

@ Relativistic jets (Γ >100)

Afterglow – slowing down of the jet by interaction with surrounding.

Eichler, Livio, TP, Schramm, 88 MacFadyen & Woosley, 98





Collapsars

Indirect Evidence rate hosts macronova

ns mergers



Direct Evidence (low metallicity)

History of Long GRB-SN association

Indirect evidence long
 GRBs in star forming regions.

I998: Tentative association of the peculiar GRB 980425 with the very luminous SN 1998bw

I999-2003 Red bumps in long
 GRB light curves

29 March 2003 Clear association
 of SN 2003dh with GRB 030329









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Different components of mass outflows from mergers (Hotokezata & TP 15)











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=> A weak short Supernova

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Radioactive Decay (Freiburghaus+ 99; Metzger + 11; Goriely + 11; Korobkin + 13; Wanajo + 14)



After a second dE/dt∝t^{-1.3} (Hotokezaka 16)
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Light Curve

mass with velocity >v

Diffusion time = expansion time => Mass of the "emitting region"



=> Luminosity

$$L(t) = \dot{\epsilon}(t)m(v) = \dot{\epsilon}_0(t/t_0)^{-\alpha}m(v)$$

Radioactive heating rate





m_{ej}(v) for different configurations TP, Nakar & Rosswog, 13



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uv or optical -> IR

Peak time and peak luminosityOpacityejected massThe peak time $\tilde{t}_p \approx \sqrt{\frac{\kappa m_{ej}}{4\pi c \bar{v}}} = 4.9 \text{ days} \left(\frac{\kappa_{10} m_{ej,-2}}{\bar{v}_{-1}}\right)^{1/2}$ velocity

The peak luminosity

$$\tilde{L}_{p} \approx \dot{\epsilon}_{0} m_{\rm ej} \left(\frac{\kappa m_{\rm ej}}{4\pi c \bar{v} t_{0}^{2}}\right)^{-\alpha/2} = 2.5 \times 10^{40} \,\frac{\rm erg}{\rm s} \,\left(\frac{\bar{v}_{-1}}{\kappa_{10}}\right)^{\alpha/2} m_{\rm ej,-2}^{1-\alpha/2}$$

v driven winds



Different Y_e, different nucleosynthsis, <u>different opacity: $\kappa = 1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{gm}$ </u>

v driven winds – lightcurves (Metzger & Fernandez 14; Just + 14; Perego + 14)



Grossman, Korobkin, Rosswog, TP 14

Combined macronova signal



(Grossman, Korobkin, Rosswog, TP 14)

Detectability @ 300 Mpc Oynamical ejecta (IR signal) ≈ 23.5-24.5 mag on a time scale of a few days => Rapid follow up is impossible in the IR. dynamical eject wind, m = 10⁻³ M 10 uminosity [10⁴⁰ erg's] -13.5 Neutrino driven wind (UV/Blue signal) -13 2450 K -12 0.1 10 time [d] => Follow up is possible with HyperSupremeCamera on subaru or continous cover with ZTF or equivalent. "Easily" detectable with LSST in 2021 (no IR) - BUT False alarm: 60/(sq deg) at 24 (Nissanke + 13) WFIRST

Macronova Observations

GRB 130603B



z=0.356 <=> 1 Gpc = 3 Glyr

GRB 130603B

GRB130603B @ 9 days AB (6.6 days at the source frame)



HST image (Tanvir + 13)



Macronova?

Kasen & Barnes 13

Tanvir + 13, Berger + 13

GRB 060614



Need M~0.1M. => BH-NS ?

Yang et al., Nature Comm 15

GRB 050709



Solution States Fox et al., 2005; Watson et a., 2006 - not a power law.
Re-analysis of the VLT and a new unreported HST point.
Need M≈0.05M.

Jin et al., 16 submitted

GRB 050709



Spectrum at 2 days => v Wind?

Astroarcheology Radioactive data provides indirect evidence



²⁴⁴Pu (half life 81 Myr)

Rare and "massive" events



Hotokezaka et al., Nature Phys 2015

Implication

Jin et al, 16 explored all nearby short GRB light curves for which there is suitable data

In <u>3 out of 3 (5) a Macronova</u> Candidate signal was detected.

Some of the signals are in optical rather than IR => much easier to detect!

Early spectrum in 050709 suggest a possible wind signature.

=> Promising detection prospects.

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Supernova Months Supernova remnant a few x 10⁴ years

Macronova Weeks Radio Flare months – years

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Estimates of radio signals from mergers (Hotokezaka + 16)

Model	E_K [erg]	$\left< eta_0 \right> [{ m c}]$	$L_{\rm 1.4GHz}^{n=1} \ [{\rm erg} \ {\rm s}^{-1} {\rm Hz}^{-1}]$	$L_{\rm 1.4GHz}^{n=0.1}$	$L_{\rm 1.4GHz}^{n=0.01}$
DNS_h	10^{51}	0.3	$4\cdot 10^{29}$	$8\cdot 10^{28}$	10^{28}
DNS_m	$3\cdot 10^{50}$	0.25	$8\cdot 10^{28}$	10^{28}	$2\cdot 10^{27}$
DNS_l	10^{50}	0.2	10^{28}	$2\cdot 10^{27}$	$3\cdot 10^{26}$
$BH-NS_h$	$5\cdot 10^{51}$	0.3	$2\cdot 10^{30}$	$5\cdot 10^{29}$	$7\cdot 10^{28}$
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strong-jet	10^{49}	~ 1	$3\cdot 10^{28}$	10^{28}	$2\cdot 10^{27}$
canonical-jet	10^{48}	~ 1	$4\cdot 10^{27}$	10^{27}	$2\cdot 10^{26}$

Radio Light Curves (Hotokezaka et al., 16)

DNS, 1.4GHz, D=200Mpc, n=0.1cm⁻³



F_v [mJy]





Flux [mJy]




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Radio Flare Detectability @ 300 Mpc

Detectable for high E_k and density and a quite host (can be resolved on the VLA)

False positives: 0.1/sq deg.

Solution Long observing time - no rush

The BHBH (GW150914) EM counterpart problem

 $>10^{49} \text{ ergs} => > 10^{-5} \text{ m}_{sun}$

Life time of a BHBH binary
~1 Gyr (from minimal separation)

Cannot keep so much mass from formation for 1 Gyr.



A short distance capture + matter injection => A 3 body interaction in a globular cluster?



=> Maybe possible but extremely rare

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