Gravitational waves and rotational properties of hypermassive neutron stars from binary mergers

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Gravitational Waves from Binary Neutron Star Mergers

Neutron star merger (Simulation)

Merger of two Black Holes



Time Evolution of the GW-Spectrum depends on the Equation of State

Early post-merger emission: frequencies f_{max} , f_1 , f_2 , f_3 and f_{2-0} t > 5 ms after merger: dominant frequency is the f_2 -frequency See L.Rezzolla and K.Takami, arXiv:1604.00246



Evolution of the frequency spectrum of the emitted gravitational waves for the stiff GNH3 (left) and soft APR4 (right) EOS.

Numerical Setup

Several different EOSs : ALF2, APR4, GNH3, H4 and Sly, approximated by piecewise polytopes. Thermal ideal fluid component (Γ =2) added to the nuclearphysics EOSs.

Grid Structure:

Adaptive mesh refinement (six ref. levels) Grid resolution: (from 221 m to 7.1 km) Initial separation of stellar cores: 45 km BSSNOK conformal traceless formulation of the ADM equations. 3+1 Valencia formulation and high resolution shock capturing methods for the hydrodynamic evolution. Full general relativity using the **Einstein-Toolkit** and the **WHISKY/WhiskyTHC code** for the general-relativistic hydrodynamic equations.



The Angular Velocity in the (3+1)-Split

The angular velocity Ω in the (3+1)-Split is a combination of the lapse function α , the φ -component of the shift vector β^{φ} and the 3-velocity v^{φ} of the fluid (spatial projection of the 4-velocity **u**):



Rotation Profiles (ALF2-1.35 Model)



FIG. 3. Logarithm of the rest mass density $Log(\rho)$ [g/cm³] (upper row) and fluid angular velocity $\Omega \times 10^3$ [rad/s] (lower row) in the xy-plane for the ALF2-M135 model at three different post-merger times. The iso-contour curves have been drawn at 13.8 + 0.2n (upper row) and 2n (lower row), $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Rotation Profiles (ALF2-1.25 Model)



FIG. 11. Logarithm of the rest mass density $Log(\rho)$ [g/cm³] (upper row) and fluid angular velocity $\Omega \times 10^3$ [rad/s] (lower row) in the xy-plane for the ALF2-M125 model at three different post-merger times. The iso-contour curves have been drawn at 13.8 + 0.2n (upper row) and 2n (lower row), $n \in \mathbb{N}$

Frame-Dragging and Gravitomagnetism

The dragging of local inertial frames is quite large in the interior of the HMNS and therefore an additional gravitomagnetic force is present. Like the Lorentz-force in electromagnetism, it acts orthogonal to the fluids velocity and the frame dragging.

Ingredients of the angular velocity:

(strong time and φ-dependence !)



The Gravitomagnetic Effect in the Interior of the HMNS at Medium Post-Merger Times (4 ms < t < 15 ms)



FIG. 7. Logarithm of the rest mass density $\text{Log}(\rho)$ [g/cm³] (left picture), the fluid angular velocity $\Omega \times 10^3$ [rad/s] (middle) and $-\beta^{\phi} \times 10^3$ [rad/s] (right picture) in the xy-plane for the SLY-M132 model at t = 6.71 ms. The trajectories of several tracer-cells are additionally mapped for two previous times (separation $\Delta t_{Tr} = 0.095$ ms).

The Interior of the HMNS at Late Post-Merger Times (t > 15 ms)



FIG. 8. Same as in Fig. 7, but at t = 23.83 ms.

Maximum Value of Ω and its Radial Position



Averaging Procedure for Ω



FIG. 2. Gravitational wave amplitude |h| and h_+ at a distance of 50 Mpc for the ALF2-M135 model.



FIG. 10. Gravitational wave amplitude h_+ and |h| at a distance of 50 Mpc for the ALF2-M125 model.

In order to compare the structure of the rotation profiles between the different EOSs, a certain time averaging procedure has been used:

$$\bar{\Omega}(r,t_c) = \int_{t_c - \Delta t/2}^{t_c + \Delta t/2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \Omega(r,\phi,t') \, d\phi \, dt$$

Time-averaged Rotation Profiles



Time-averaged rotation profiles for different EoS Low mass runs (solid curves), high mass runs (dashed curves).

Gravitational Waves and the maximum of the Rotation Curve

