Gravitational waves from Cosmic strings

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Cosmic string?

One dimensional topological defects generated in the early universe



- have infinite length (= no end point)
- can be a form of loop
- affect matters only through gravitational force
- emits gravitational waves

 μ : tension (line density) G $\mu = \mu / m_{pl}^2$



Generation mechanism 2: Cosmic superstrings

Cosmological size D-strings or F-strings remains after inflation in superstring theory



• have Y junction • mixed network of different $G\mu$

→ Cosmic strings provides insight into fundamental physics



a: scale factor

→ easily dominates the energy density of the Universe. not allowed by observation?

Evolution of cosmic strings

Scaling law

O(I) infinite strings in the Hubble horizon



Cosmic strings become loops via reconnection. Loops lose energy by emitting gravitational waves.





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Increase of infinite string length by the horizon growth



Loss of infinite string length by generation of loops

 Higher reconnection rate more efficient generation of loops more energy release by the emission of GWs

Gravitational waves from cosmic strings

Strong GW emittion from singular points called kinks and cusps





Rare Burst: GWs with large amplitude coming from close loops

Gravitational wave background (GWB): superposition of small GWs coming from the early epoch

Observations of GWs



Cross correlate the signals from two or more detector and extract stable GWs

→ provide different information on cosmic strings

Gravitational wave experiments

Direct detection

Ground : Advanced-LIGO、KAGRA、 Virgo、IndIGO Space : eLISA/NGO、DECIGO

- Pulsar timing: **SKA**
- CMB B-mode polarization: Planck, CMBpol



KAGRA image (<u>http://gwcenter.icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp</u>/)



eLISA image (http://elisa-ngo.org/)



DECIGO image, S. Kawamura et al, J. Phys.: Conf. Ser. 122, 012006 (2006)





Current constraints on cosmic string parameters

3 parameters to characterize cosmic string

- G μ (= μ/M_{pl}^2) : tension (line density)
- α : initial loop size L $\sim \alpha$ H⁻¹
- p : reconnection probability
- CMB temperature fluctuation: $G \mu < 10^{-7}$
- Gravitational lensing: $G \mu < \sim 10^{-6}$
- Gravitational waves

Pulsar timing: $G \mu < 10^{-9}$ for loops $\alpha = 0.1$, p=1Direct detection

(LIGO GWB & burst): $G\mu < \sim 10^{-6}$

What about future constraints?



for infinite strings

Estimation of the GW burst rate



acceleration due to the curvature of the strings

Estimation of the GW burst rate

Initial number density of loops (naive estimate)



<u>Scaling law</u>

O(I) infinite strings in the Hubble horizon

To satisfy the scaling law...

infinite strings

should lose O(I) Hubble length per I Hubble time \rightarrow more loops for small α

= should reconnect O(I) times per Hubble time

 \rightarrow for small p, string density should increase to reconnect O(I) times





Estimation of the GW burst rate

GW burst rate emitted at t~t+dt from loops formed at t_i~t_i+dt_i

$$\begin{split} \frac{dR}{dtdt_i} dtdt_i &= \frac{1}{4} \theta_m(f,z,l)^2 \frac{2c}{(1+z)l(t,t_i)} \frac{dn}{dt_i}(t,t_i) \frac{dV}{dt} dtdt_i \times \underline{\Theta(1-\theta_m(f,z,l))} \\ & \text{Beaming} \quad \text{Time interval of GW emission} \quad \text{Loop number} \\ & \propto (\text{loop length at t})^{-1} \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ &$$













Parameter dependences of the rate





- The parameter dependences of the large burst (rare burst) and small burst (GWB) are different because they are looking at different epoch of the Universe
 - → give different information on cosmic string parameters

Spectrum of the GWB



Spectrum of the GWB



Spectrum of the GWB



Accessible parameter region (for p=1)





α

Constraint on parameters

Fisher information matrix log(Likelihood)

$$\mathcal{F}_{ij} = -\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathcal{L}}{\partial p_i \partial p_j} \right\rangle$$



If the likelihood shape is sensitive to the parameter = easy to estimate the parameter

Burst

Observable : amplitude vs number

N is predictable by the rate dR/dh

$$\mathcal{F}_{ij} \propto rac{\partial (dR/dh)}{\partial p_i} rac{\partial (dR/dh)}{\partial p_j}$$



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direct detection

KAGRA

DECIGO

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eLISA

LIGO





log₁₀ p

log₁₀ p

Predicted constraint on parameters



 $\log_{10}{
m p}$

 $\log_{10} p$

G $\mu = 10^{-7}$, $\alpha = 10^{-16}$, p=1

Constraints from other experiments?



CMB signals



If we combine CMB constraints...



 $G \mu = 10^{-7}, \alpha = 10^{-16}, p=1$







Summary

- Future GW experiments can be a powerful tool to probe cosmic strings.
- It could provide strong constraints on cosmic string parameters. If it is detected, it would determine cosmic string parameters, which can provide us with hints of fundamental physics such as particle physics or superstring theory.
- Two different kinds of GW observation (rare burst and GWB) provide different constraints on cosmic string parameters and lead to better accuracy in determining parameters.
- Combination with CMB or Pulser timing also helps to get stronger constraints, depending on the value of the parameters.
- Space GW missions are more powerful to probe cosmic strings.