Gravitational wave evolution from acoustic and vortical sources

- Pencil Code
- Correspondence between kinetic or magnetic spectra with GW spectra
- Inertial and subinertial range spectra
- Scalar and vector modes in vertical and acoustic (irrotational) turbulence
- Onset of GW energy and vorticity

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History of gravitational waves

- Heaviside (1893): analogy with electromagnetism
- Poincare (1905): emanating from body at speed of light
- Einstein (1916, 1918), three types of waves
- Eddington (1922): two of three are artifacts
- Einstein & Rosen (1936) unphysical altogether
- referee Robertson: harmless coordinate singularities
- Pirani (1956): manifestly gauge-invariant observables
- Hulse & Taylor (1975): \rightarrow indirect GW detection
- GW150914. 2017 Nobel prize to Weiss, Thorne, Barish

Confused situation by 1936

July 27, 1936

Dear Sir.

"We (Mr. Rosen and I) had sent you our manuscript for publication and had not authorized you to show it to specialists before it is printed. I see no reason to address the—in any case erroneous—comments of your anonymous expert. On the basis of this incident I prefer to publish the paper elsewhere."

Respectfully Einstein

An anecdote illustrating the confused situation prevailing at that time is given in Infeld's autobiography. Infeld refers to the day before a scheduled talk that Einstein was to give at Princeton on the "Nonexistence of gravitational waves." Einstein was already aware of the error in his manuscript, which was previously pointed out by Infeld. There was no time to cancel the talk. The next day Einstein gave his talk and concluded, "If you ask me whether there are gravitational waves or not, I must answer that I don't know. But it is a highly interesting problem" [10].

"Note—<u>The second part of this article was considerably altered by me after</u> the departure to Russia of Mr. Rosen as we had misinterpreted the results of our formula. I want to thank my colleague Professor <u>Robertson for their friendly help in clarifying the original error.</u> I also thank Mr. Hoffmann your kind assistance in translation."

In the end, Einstein became convinced of the existence of gravitational waves, whereas Nathan Rosen always thought that they were just a formal mathematical construct with no real physical meaning.

EVIDENCE FOR DISCOVERY OF GRAVITATIONAL RADIATION*

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FIG. 2. Argonne National Laboratory and University of Maryland detector coincidence.

Stretching of space-time







Cosmological GWs

Amplification of gravitational waves in an isotropic universe

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It is shown that weak gravitational waves in a nonstationary isotropic universe can be amplified to a greater degree than indicated by the adiabatic law. It is a necessary (but not a sufficient) condition for the amplification that there should exist such a stage in the evolution of the universe when the characteristic time for change in the background metric is less than the period of the wave. In an expanding universe the wave is the more amplified the more strongly does the rate of evolution of the universe differ from the one which is dictated by matter with the equation of state $p = \epsilon/3$, and the earlier the wave had been "started." The superadiabatic amplification of gravitational waves denotes the possibility of creation of gravitons. An exceptional position is occupied by the "hot" isotropic universe with $p = \epsilon/3$, in which the superadiabatic amplification of gravitational waves and the production of gravitons is impossible. An estimate is made of the converse reaction of the gravitons on the background metric. Apparently, the production of gravitons forbids at least those of the iostropic singularities near which $p > \epsilon/3$.

Gravitational Waves from First-Order Cosmological Phase Transitions

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A first-order cosmological phase transition that proceeds through the nucleation and collision of truevacuum bubbles is a potent source of gravitational radiation. Possibilities for such include first-order inflation, grand-unified-theory-symmetry breaking, and electroweak-symmetry breaking. We have calculated gravity-wave production from the collision of two scalar-field vacuum bubbles, and, using an approximation based upon these results, from the collision of 20 to 30 vacuum bubbles. We present estimates of the relic background of gravitational waves produced by a first-order phase transition; in general, $\Omega_{GW} \sim 10^{-9}$ and $f \sim (10^{-6} \text{ Hz})(T/1 \text{ GeV})$.

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Gravitational radiation from colliding vacuum bubbles

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Why interesting if random?

- Energy spectrum
 - Peak(s)
 - Slopes
 - Relation to turbulence
- Polarization
 - Sign?
 - Relation magnetic helicity (=swirl of B field)

Solve for spatial part of h_{ij}

- Sourced by the stress tensor (Reynolds, Maxwell)
 - $-T_{ij}$ is symmetric tensor
 - 6 components
- Assume transverse $dT_{ij}/dx_j = 0$
 - 3 constraints
 - 3 components left
- Traceless
 - 1 more constraint
 - 2 components left

Correspond to + and x modes



Circular polarization in space & time

- Both plus and cross polarization together
- Combine the two as a function of space & time
- Get circular polarization



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Polariserad Alfvén wave



x-polarized

y-polarized

Either x or y

Circularly polarized Alfvén wave



circle

How does it travel?



State of the art: stochastic GW from

- MHD turbulence
 - Only analytic models
 - Using Lighthill approximation
- Expanding & colliding bubbles
 - Simulations by Hindmarsh et al. (2015)
 - Solve scalar field dynamics

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Spectrum of gravitational radiation from primordial turbulence

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B-field from electroweak PT



- GW energy normalized by critical energy density
- Around 10⁻¹⁰ (nondimensional), at 0.03 mHz

Goal: compute GWs from real MHD turbulence

- Most popular scenario: electroweak phase transition
 - Weak and electromagnetic force decouple
- B-field from electroweak phase transition
 - Vachaspati (1991)
 - Cheng & Olinto (1994)
 - Baym, Bodeker, McLarran (1996)
- Time 10⁻¹¹ sec
 - Horizon scale 0.3 cm
 - − Now ~ 10AU \rightarrow small
 - But turbulence \rightarrow larger length scale (inverse cascade!)

Relativistic equations in expanding Universe

Energy momentum tensor

Brandenburg, Enqvist, Olesen Phys Rev D 54, 1291 (1996)

$$+ \frac{1}{4\pi} \bigg(F^{\mu\sigma} F^{\nu}{}_{\sigma} - \frac{1}{4} g^{\mu\nu} F_{\lambda\sigma} F^{\lambda\sigma} \bigg),$$

Conformal time, rescaled equations $S = (p + \rho) \gamma^2 v$

 $T^{\mu\nu} = (p+\rho)U^{\mu}U^{\nu} + pg^{\mu\nu}$

$$\widetilde{t} = \int dt/R.$$
 $\widetilde{\mathbf{S}} = R^4 \mathbf{S}, \quad \widetilde{\rho} = R^4 \rho, \quad \widetilde{\mathbf{B}} = R^2 \mathbf{B},$
 $\widetilde{\mathbf{J}} = R^3 \mathbf{J}, \quad \text{and} \quad \widetilde{\mathbf{E}} = R^2 \mathbf{E}.$

Equivalent to usual magneto-hydrodynamics

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial \tilde{t}} = -(\mathbf{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{v}) \mathbf{\widetilde{S}} - (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{\nabla}) \mathbf{\widetilde{S}} - \mathbf{\nabla} \tilde{p} + \mathbf{\widetilde{J}} \times \mathbf{\widetilde{B}}.$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{\widetilde{B}}}{\partial \tilde{t}} = -\mathbf{\nabla} \times \mathbf{\widetilde{E}}, \quad \mathbf{\nabla} \cdot \mathbf{\widetilde{B}} = 0,$$

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Small Lorentz factors, $\gamma \sim 1$

$$\frac{\partial \ln \widetilde{\rho}}{\partial \widetilde{t}} = -\frac{4}{3} (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla \ln \widetilde{\rho} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) - \frac{\widetilde{\mathbf{J}} \cdot \widetilde{\mathbf{E}}}{\widetilde{\rho}},$$

$$\frac{D\mathbf{v}}{D\tilde{t}} = -\mathbf{v}\left(\frac{D\ln\widetilde{\rho}}{D\tilde{t}} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}\right) - \frac{1}{4}\nabla \ln\widetilde{\rho} + \frac{\widetilde{\mathbf{J}} \times \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}}{\frac{4}{3}\widetilde{\rho}},$$

where $D/D\tilde{t} = \partial/\partial \tilde{t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla$ is the total derivative, and

$$\frac{\partial \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}}{\partial \widetilde{t}} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}), \quad \widetilde{\mathbf{J}} = \nabla \times \widetilde{\mathbf{B}}.$$

Magnetohydrodynamic turbulence

The conclusion from the above expressions is thus that the MHD equations in an expanding universe with zero curvature are the same as the relativistic MHD equations in a nonexpanding universe, provided the dynamical quantities are replaced by the scaled 'tilde' variables, and provided conformal time \tilde{t} is used. The effect of this is, as usual, that



shell models

$$\frac{db_n}{d\tilde{t}} = M_n(v,b)$$

$$M_{n}(v,b) = ik_{n}(A-C)(v_{n+1}^{*}b_{n+2}^{*}-b_{n+1}^{*}v_{n+2}^{*})$$

+ $ik_{n}(B+\frac{1}{2}C)(v_{n-1}^{*}b_{n+1}^{*}-b_{n-1}^{*}v_{n+1}^{*})$
 $-ik_{n}(\frac{1}{2}B-\frac{1}{4}A)(v_{n-2}^{*}b_{n-1}^{*}-b_{n-2}^{*}v_{n-1}^{*}),$

$$\frac{4}{3}\rho_0 \frac{dv_n}{d\tilde{t}} = N_n(v,b)$$

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3-D decay simulations



Horizon scales for k⁴ spectrum



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Evolution of cosmic magnetic fields: From the very early Universe, to recombination, to the present

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Collapsed spectra and pq diagrams



MAGNETIC HELICITY DISSIPATION IN AN IDEAL MHD CODE

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ABSTRACT

We study a turbulent helical dynamo in a periodic domain by solving the ideal magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) equations with the FLASH code using the divergence-cleaning eight-wave method and compare our results with with direct numerical simulations (DNS) using the PENCIL CODE. At low resolution, FLASH reproduces the DNS results qualitatively by developing the large-scale magnetic field expected from DNS, but at higher resolution, no large-scale magnetic field is obtained. In all those cases in which a large-scale magnetic field is generated, the ideal MHD equations yield too little power at small scales. As a consequence, the small-scale current helicity is too small compared with the DNS. The resulting net current helicity has then always the wrong sign, and it also does not approach zero at late times, as expected from the DNS. Our results have implications for astrophysical dynamo simulations of stellar and galactic magnetism using ideal MHD codes.

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MHD module & forcing

We use the MHD <u>eight-wave</u> module of FLASH (Derigs et al. 2016), which is based on -adivergence-cleaning algorithm. The forcing function is analogous to that used by Sur et al. (2014), except that here only one sign of helicity is used. In particular, we used an artificial forcing term F which is modeled as a stochastic Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process (Eswaran & Pope 1988 Benzi et al. 2008) with a user-specified forcing correlation time, which was taken to be one half. In the following, we consider two values for the scale separation ratio $k_{\rm f}/k_1$: a smaller one with a combination of 76 wavevectors with wavenumbers between 2 and 3, and a larger one with 156 wavevectors with wavenumbers between 4 and 5. These cases are distinguished by their average nominal forcing wavenumbers of 2.5 and 4.5, respectively.

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A novel high-order, entropy stable, 3D AMR MHD solver with guaranteed positive pressure

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We describe a high-order numerical magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) solver built upon a novel non-linear <u>entropy stable</u> numerical flux function that supports eight travelling wave solutions. By construction the solver conserves mass, momentum, and energy and is entropy stable. The method is designed to treat the divergence-free constraint on the magnetic field in a similar fashion to a hyperbolic divergence cleaning technique. The solver described herein is especially well-suited for flows involving strong discontinuities. Furthermore, we present a new formulation to guarantee positivity of the pressure. We present the underlying theory and implementation of the new solver into the multiphysics, multi-scale adaptive mesh refinement (AMR) simulation code FLASH (http://flash.uchicago.edu). The accuracy, robustness and computational efficiency is demonstrated with a number of tests, including comparisons to available MHD implementations in FLASH.

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Magnetic helicity at early times



FIG. 14.— Evolution of the fractional magnetic helicity for the case with 32³ mesh points, $k_{\rm f}/k_1 = 2.5$, and $\eta^{\rm eff} = 5 \times 10^{-5}$ (black line), compared with the evolution in DNS with 32³ mesh points, $k_{\rm f}/k_1 = 2.5$, and $\eta = 5 \times 10^{-5}$ (blue). Also shown are a DNS with 64³ mesh points ($k_{\rm f}/k_1 = 4.5$, $\eta = 5 \times 10^{-5}$, red line), and a solution with FLASH with explicit resistivity ($k_{\rm f}/k_1 = 4.5$, $\eta = 5 \times 10^{-5}$, orange line).

Small Lorentz factors, $\gamma \sim 1$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial \ln \rho}{\partial t} &= -\frac{4}{3} \left(\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \ln \rho \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{\rho} \left[\boldsymbol{u} \cdot (\boldsymbol{J} \times \boldsymbol{B}) + \eta \boldsymbol{J}^2 \right], \\ \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial t} &= -\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \boldsymbol{u} + \frac{\boldsymbol{u}}{3} \left(\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nabla} \ln \rho \right) \\ &- \frac{\boldsymbol{u}}{\rho} \left[\boldsymbol{u} \cdot (\boldsymbol{J} \times \boldsymbol{B}) + \eta \boldsymbol{J}^2 \right] - \frac{1}{4} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \ln \rho \\ &+ \frac{3}{4\rho} \boldsymbol{J} \times \boldsymbol{B} + \frac{2}{\rho} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot (\rho \nu \boldsymbol{S}) + \boldsymbol{\mathcal{F}}, \\ \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{B}}{\partial t} &= \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times (\boldsymbol{u} \times \boldsymbol{B} - \eta \boldsymbol{J} + \boldsymbol{\mathcal{E}}), \end{split}$$

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Resulting stress

$$T_{ij} = (p+\rho)\gamma^2 u_i u_j - B_i B_j + (p+B^2/2)\delta_{ij}$$

- Drives GWs
- Only transverse-traceless (TT) projection matters

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \nabla^2\right) h_{ij}^{\text{TT}}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) = \frac{16\pi G}{a(t)c^2} T_{ij}^{\text{TT}}(\boldsymbol{x}, t)$$

Just solve like other PDEs

$$\frac{\partial h_{+/\times}}{\partial t} = g_{+/\times}$$

$$\frac{\partial g_{+/\times}}{\partial t} = \nabla^2 h_{+/\times} + S_{+/\times}$$

$$\hat{S}_{ij} = \hat{S}_+ e^+_{ij} + \hat{S}_\times e^\times_{ij}$$

$$\hat{S}_{+} = \frac{1}{2} e_{ij}^{+} \hat{S}_{ij}$$
$$\hat{S}_{\times} = \frac{1}{2} e_{ij}^{\times} \hat{S}_{ij}$$

- Two 1st order eqns
- No artificial diff needed (no shocks)
- TT projection on the source
- Alternatively: TT projection only for diagnostics

"Usual" 3rd order Runge-Kutta

 $\begin{pmatrix} h_{ij} \\ h'_{ij} \end{pmatrix}_{t+\delta t} \equiv \boldsymbol{q}_i, \quad \text{where} \quad \boldsymbol{q}_i = \boldsymbol{q}_{i-1} + \beta_i \boldsymbol{w}_i, \quad \boldsymbol{w}_i = \alpha_i \boldsymbol{w}_{i-1} + \delta t \boldsymbol{Q}_{i-1}, \quad (\text{approach I}).$

with $\alpha_1 = 0$, $\alpha_2 = -5/9$, $\alpha_3 = -153/128$, $\beta_1 = 1/3$, $\beta_2 = 15/16$, $\beta_3 = 8/15$, and

$$\boldsymbol{q}_{i-1} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} h_{ij} \\ h'_{ij} \end{pmatrix}_t, \quad \boldsymbol{Q}_{i-1} \equiv \begin{pmatrix} h'_{ij} \\ c^2 \nabla^2 h_{ij} + \mathcal{G} T_{ij} \end{pmatrix}_t$$





"Exact" between 2 time steps

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega \tilde{h} - \omega^{-1} \mathcal{G} \tilde{T} \\ \tilde{h}' \end{pmatrix}_{+,\times}^{t+\delta t} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \omega \delta t & \sin \omega \delta t \\ -\sin \omega \delta t & \cos \omega \delta t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \omega \tilde{h} - \omega^{-1} \mathcal{G} \tilde{T} \\ \tilde{h}' \end{pmatrix}_{+,\times}^{t}$$

compute omega (but assume c=1), omega*t, etc.

```
om12=one_over_k2
om1=sqrt(om12)
om=1./om1
omt1=1./(om*t)
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compute cos(om*dt) and sin(om*dt) to get from one timestep to the next.

```
cosot=cos(om*dt)
sinot=sin(om*dt)
```

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Solve wave equation for hT and gT from one timestep to the next.

```
coefAre=(hhTre-om12*S_T_re(ikx,iky,ikz))
coefAim=(hhTim-om12*S_T_im(ikx,iky,ikz))
coefBre=ggTre*om1
coefBim=ggTim*om1
f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,ihhT_)=coefAre*cosot+coefBre*sinot+om12*S_T_re(ikx,iky,ikz)
f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,ihhTim)=coefAim*cosot+coefBim*sinot+om12*S_T_im(ikx,iky,ikz)
f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggT_)=coefBre*cosot*om-coefAre*om*sinot
f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggT_)=coefBre*cosot*om-coefAim*om*sinot
```

Auxiliary arrays

Compute exact solution for hT, hX, gT, and gX in Fourier space.

hhTre=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,ihhT)
hhXre=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,ihhX)
hhTim=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,ihhTim)
hhXim=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,ihhXim)

ggTre=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggT)
ggXre=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggX)
ggTim=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggTim)
ggXim=f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggXim)

Register ggT and ggX as auxiliary arrays May want to do this only when Fourier transform is enabled.

```
if (lggTX_as_aux) then
   call farray_register_auxiliary('ggT',iggT)
   call farray_register_auxiliary('ggX',iggX)
   call farray_register_auxiliary('ggTim',iggTim)
   call farray_register_auxiliary('ggXim',iggXim)
endif
```

```
if (lhhTX_as_aux) then
```

```
call farray_register_auxiliary('hhT',ihhT)
```

```
call farray_register_auxiliary('hhX',ihhX)
```

call farray_register_auxiliary('hhTim',ihhTim)

call farray_register_auxiliary('hhXim',ihhXim)
endif

```
if (lStress_as_aux) then
```

```
call farray_register_auxiliary('StT',iStressT)
```

- call farray_register_auxiliary('StX',iStressX)
- call farray_register_auxiliary('StTim',iStressTim)
- call farray_register_auxiliary('StXim',iStressXim)

call farray_register_auxiliary('Str',iStress_ij,array=6)
endif

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$$\tilde{h}_{ij}^{\mathrm{TT}}(\boldsymbol{k},t) = (P_{il}P_{jm} - \frac{1}{2}P_{ij}P_{lm})\tilde{h}_{lm}(\boldsymbol{k},t).$$
(8)

Next, we compute the linear polarisation basis,

$$e_{ij}^{+}(\mathbf{k}) = e_{i}^{1}e_{j}^{1} - e_{i}^{2}e_{j}^{2}, \quad e_{ij}^{\times}(\mathbf{k}) = e_{i}^{1}e_{j}^{2} + e_{i}^{2}e_{j}^{1}, \tag{9}$$

where e^1 and e^2 are unit vectors perpendicular to k and perpendicular to each other. This polarisation basis has the following orthogonality property

$$e_{ij}^{+}(\mathbf{k})e_{ij}^{+}(\mathbf{k}) = e_{ij}^{\times}(\mathbf{k})e_{ij}^{\times}(\mathbf{k}) = 2, \quad e_{ij}^{+}(\mathbf{k})e_{ij}^{\times}(\mathbf{k}) = 0.$$
 (10)

Thus, the strains are decomposed into the two independent + and × modes, such that $\tilde{h}_{ij}^{\text{TT}}(\mathbf{k}, t) = e_{ij}^+(\mathbf{k})\tilde{h}_+(\mathbf{k}, t) + e_{ij}^\times(\mathbf{k})\tilde{h}_\times(\mathbf{k}, t)$, with

$$\tilde{h}_{+}(\boldsymbol{k},t) = \frac{1}{2}e_{ij}^{+}(\boldsymbol{k})\tilde{h}_{ij}^{\mathrm{TT}}(\boldsymbol{k},t), \quad \tilde{h}_{\times}(\boldsymbol{k},t) = \frac{1}{2}e_{ij}^{\times}(\boldsymbol{k})\tilde{h}_{ij}^{\mathrm{TT}}(\boldsymbol{k},t).$$
(11)

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for $|k_1| < \min(|k_2|, |k_3|)$:

$$e^1 = \operatorname{sgn}(k)(0, -\hat{k}_3, \hat{k}_2), \quad e^2 = (\hat{k}_2^2 + \hat{k}_3^2, -\hat{k}_1\hat{k}_2, -\hat{k}_1\hat{k}_3), \quad (14)$$

for $|k_2| < \min(|k_3|, |k_1|)$:

$$e^1 = \operatorname{sgn}(k)(\hat{k}_3, 0, -\hat{k}_1), \quad e^2 = (-\hat{k}_2\hat{k}_1, \hat{k}_3^2 + \hat{k}_1^2, -\hat{k}_2\hat{k}_3),$$
 (15)

for $|k_3| \le \min(|k_1|, |k_2|)$:

$$\boldsymbol{e}^{1} = \operatorname{sgn}(\boldsymbol{k})(-\hat{k}_{2},\hat{k}_{1},0), \quad \boldsymbol{e}^{2} = (-\hat{k}_{3}\hat{k}_{1},-\hat{k}_{3}\hat{k}_{2},\hat{k}_{1}^{2}+\hat{k}_{2}^{2}), \quad (16)$$

where we define the sign of a general wavevector $\mathbf{k} = (k_1, k_2, k_3)$ in the following way

$$\operatorname{sgn}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \begin{cases} \operatorname{sgn}(k_3) & \text{if } k_3 \neq 0, \\ \operatorname{sgn}(k_2) & \text{if } k_3 = 0 \text{ and } k_2 \neq 0, \\ \operatorname{sgn}(k_1) & \text{if } k_2 = k_3 = 0, \end{cases}$$
(17)

$$\operatorname{sgn}(\boldsymbol{k}) = \begin{cases} \operatorname{sgn}(k_3) & \text{if } k_3 \neq 0, \\ \operatorname{sgn}(k_2) & \text{if } k_3 = 0 \text{ and } k_2 \neq 0, \\ \operatorname{sgn}(k_1) & \text{if } k_2 = k_3 = 0, \end{cases}$$
(17)

such that half of the wavevectors are considered positive and the other corresponding half of the wavevectors are considered negative. The way to choose which half of the wavevectors are positive is arbitrary and could be changed leading to the same final result.

Note that neither e^1 nor e^2 flip sign under the parity transformation $k \to -k$. The reason for the sgn(k) term is the following. The linear polarisation tensorial basis $e_{ij}^+(k)$ and $e_{ij}^{\times}(k)$ must be represented by even operators with respect to k to reproduce the required modes, as will be shown in next section with a simple example, a one-dimensional Beltrami field. Alternatively, without loss of generality, we could have defined e^1 and e^2 such that both flip sign under $k \to -k$ transformations, such that both $e_{ij}^+(k)$ and $e_{ij}^{\times}(k)$ tensors are even operators.

```
one_over_k2=1./ksqr
if(abs(k1) \leq abs(k2)) then
  if(abs(k1)<abs(k3)) then !(k1 is pref dir)
    e1=(/0..-k3.+k2/)
    e2=(/k2sqr+k3sqr,-k2*k1,-k3*k1/)
  else !(k3 is pref dir)
    e1=(/k2.-k1.0./)
    e2=(/k1*k3,k2*k3,-(k1sgr+k2sgr)/)
                                                  possibility of swapping the sign
  endif
else !(k2 smaller than k1)
                                                            sign_switch=1.
  if(abs(k2)<abs(k3)) then !(k2 is pref dir)</pre>
                                                            if (lswitch_sign_e_X) then
    e1=(/-k3,0.,+k1/)
                                                              if (k3 < 0.) then
    e2=(/+k1*k2,-(k1sqr+k3sqr),+k3*k2/)
                                                                sign_switch=-1.
  else !(k3 is pref dir)
                                                                e_X = -e_X
                                                              elseif (k3==0.) then
    e1=(/k2.-k1.0./)
                                                                if (k_{2}, 0), then
    e2=(/k1*k3,k2*k3,-(k1sgr+k2sgr)/)
                                                                  sign_switch=-1.
  endif
                                                                  e_X = -e_X
endif
                                                                elseif (k2==0.) then
e1=e1/sqrt(e1(1)**2+e1(2)**2+e1(3)**2)
                                                                  if (k1 < 0.) then
e2=e2/sqrt(e2(1)**2+e2(2)**2+e2(3)**2)
                                                                    sign_switch=-1.
Pij(1)=1.-k1sgr*one_over_k2
                                                                    e_X = -e_X
Pij(2)=1.-k2sqr*one_over_k2
                                                                  endif
Pij(3)=1.-k3sgr*one_over_k2
                                                                endif
Pi_j(4)=-k1*k2*one_over_k2
                                                              endif
Pij(5)=-k2*k3*one_over_k2
                                                            endif
Pij(6)=-k3*k1*one_over_k2
```

"Exact" between 2 time steps





 k/k_*

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sign_switch=1.
                                                if (lswitch_sign_e_X) then
                                                  if (k_{3}(0)) then
     Sign switch for
                                                    sign_switch=-1.
                                                    е Х=-е Х
                                                  elseif (k3==0.) then
             helicity
                                                    if (k_{2}, 0) then
                                                     sign_switch=-1.
                                                     e_X=-e_X
        diagnostics
                                                    elseif (k2==0.) then
                                                     if (k1 < 0.) then
                                                       sign_switch=-1.
                                                       e_X=-e_X
                                                     endif
                                                   endif
                                                  endif
Gravitational wave energy spectrum co
                                                endif
           if (GWs_spec) then
             spectra%GWs(ik)=spectra%GWs(ik) &
                +f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggX )**2 🤱
                +f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggXim)**2 🤱
                +f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggT )**2 🤱
                +f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggTim)**2
             spectra%GWshel(ik)=spectra%GWshel(ik)+2*sign_switch*( &
                +f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggXim) &
                *f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggT
                -f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggX
                *f(nghost+ikx,nghost+iky,nghost+ikz,iggTim)
           endif
```

Magnetic helicity → circular polarization of GWs

Beltrami field as an example

$$\boldsymbol{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \boldsymbol{\nabla} \sin kx \\ \cos kx \end{pmatrix} \longrightarrow \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times \boldsymbol{B} = \begin{pmatrix} \partial_x \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sin kx \\ \cos kx \end{pmatrix} = k \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \sin kx \\ \cos kx \end{pmatrix} = k\boldsymbol{B}$$

Traceless-transverse

$$T_{ij}(x) = \mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{M}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -\cos 2kx & \sigma \sin 2kx \\ 0 & \sigma \sin 2kx & \cos 2kx \end{pmatrix}$$

Fully helical turbulence with positive or negative helicity



- Magnetic energy spectrum $\int E_{\rm M}(k,t) dk = \langle B^2 \rangle / 2$
- Positive helicity (red), negative (blue)
- GW energy spectra

GW polarization vs helicity



Correspondence of spectra

$$\left(\partial_{\bar{t}}^2 - c^2 \nabla^2\right) h_{ij}(\boldsymbol{x}, \bar{t}) = 6 T_{ij}^{\mathrm{TT}}(\boldsymbol{x}, \bar{t})/\bar{t}$$

 $T_{ij} = (p + \rho) \gamma^2 u_i u_j - B_i B_j + (p + B^2/2) \delta_{ij}$

- If spectral slope of *B* is -5/3, then
- Spectral slope of B^2 is -5/3-2 = -11/3
- But for slope 4, we don't get 4-2 = 2, but 0.



Spectra of the source



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- Spectrum of source agrees with spectrum of d^2h/dt^2
- Spectrum of d^2h/dt^2 agrees with that of kdh/dt
- Therefore, spectrum of *h* is k^{-2} times that of source 54

Same for positive slopes



- k^2 spectrum is that of while noise (shell integrated!)
- Its square is also that of white noise
- Even a bluer spectrum becomes white again

Intermediate cases



- For slopes btw -2 and 2: more complicated
- For red spectra (negative slope): same
- For blue spectra (steeper than 2): always 2 (white)

The Turbulent Stress Spectrum in the Inertial and Subinertial Ranges

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Figure 1. Numerically computed F(k) (red) for $E(k) = k^{-2}$ (blue) for $1 \le k \le 100$ (and zero otherwise). The vertical solid and dotted lines mark k = 1 and 2, respectively.

Figure 2. Similar to Figure 1, but for different subinertial range slopes: $\alpha_1 = 0$ (triple-dotted–dashed), 1 (dotted–dashed), 2 (dashed), 4 (solid), and 10 (dotted).



Non-abrupt end of driving



- Larger GW energy from graceful exit
- GW energy can be ~3x larger
- To understand slope-amplitude relation

Longer runs



- Indeed: GW
 energy can be
 ~3x larger
- stops growing
 when Ω_{GW}
 drops below
 certain value
- About 20% of maximum?

GW energy & strain spectra



Irrotational $\leftarrow \rightarrow$ Vortical



- Irrotational: scalar & vector dominant
- Vortical: subdominant, so full~projected!

Conclusion

- Pencil Code: GW advanced exactly
- For $E(k) \sim k^{-5/3}$ we get $\Omega(k) \sim k^{-8/3}$ and $h_c(k) \sim k^{-7/3}$ - not -14/3 and -10/3
- but $E(k) \sim k^4$ leads to $\Omega(k) \sim k$ and $h_c(k) \sim k^{-1/2}$ - not 3 and +1/2
- Vortical turbulence: vector & scalar modes weak
- Irrotational (acoustic) turbulence: they are strong, especially at small scales
 - GW generation coincides with onset of vorticity generation