Black Holes And Spacetime

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The Laser Interferometer Gravitational-wave Observatory: a Caltech/MIT collaboration supported by the National Science Foundation Gregory Mendell, LIGO Hanford Observatory, on behalf of the LIGO Scientific Collaboration

Einstein



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•Einstein, age 26, working at a Swiss Patent Office, published papers in 1905:

- •Sparked the quantum theory of light
- Showed that atoms were real
- Introduced a theory of space and time, called Special Relativity

Discovered E=mc².

•Einstein worked 10 years to generalize Special Relativity and Newton's Theory of Gravity, resulting in General Relativity.

•Others contributed: Lorentz, Poincaré, Minkowski, Grossmann, Hilbert, ...

•Einstein revolutionized our concepts of space and time!

Some Far Out Ideas

- The faster you go the slower time goes.
- Nothing can go faster than light.

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- Gravity disappears when you free fall.
- Sources of gravity warp space and time; gravity slows down time.
- Black holes really are like holes in space.
- Worm holes through space and time could exist within our universe or to other universes.
- Gravitational waves are ripples in the fabric of spacetime. LIGO is searching for these waves, with black holes as one possible source.

Einstein Wondered:



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Can we catch light?



Mirror

Photo: Albert Einstein at the first Solvay Conference, 1911; Public Domain

Einstein's Key Idea, 1905

- Galileo & Newton: motion is relative; speeds are additive.
- Newton thought light was made of particles.

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- Sound is a wave moving through the air or some material. The speed of sound (741 mph) is fixed to the rest frame of the air. We can catch sound.
- By analogy, in 1905 light was thought to be a wave moving through the "aether". Experiments could not measure the aether or detect changes in the speed of light due to relative motion.
- Einstein: we cannot catch light; no experiment can detect absolute motion; there is no aether; the speed of light is the same for all observers.



LIGO The Speed of Light c = 186,000 miles/s = 670,000,000 miles/hr

	V	Δt	$\Delta 1$
Car	60 mph	1 day	1 day35 nanoseconds
Plane	600 mph	1 day	1 day – 35 nanoseconds
Shuttle	17,000 mph	1 day	1 day – 28 microseconds
Voyager	38,000 mph	1 day	1 day – 140 microseconds
Andromeda	300,000 mph	1 day	1 day – 8.7 milliseconds
Electrons	99% c	1 day	3.4 hours

The faster you go the slower time goes! Nothing can go faster than light!



Length Contraction



http://www.anu.edu.au/Physics/Searle/paper2.html; Web page for "The Physicist" Paper "Visualising special relativity", C.M. Savage and A.C. Searle, The Physicist, vol. 36, pg.141, July/August 1999.

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Spacetime Diagram

The Twin Paradox

•Imagine twins, Betty and Bob, separated 1 year after birth. Baby Betty & Bob: © ©

•Betty takes a rocket traveling at 96.7% the speed of light and travels 29 lt-yrs from Earth and back.

•When Betty returns she is sweet 16, and Bob is 61 years old!!!



Figure: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twin_paradox



Credit: Portrait of Isaac Newton painted in 1689 by Sir Godfrey Kneller (Farleigh House, Farleigh Wallop, Hampshire) http://www.huntington.org/LibraryDiv/Newton/Newtonexhibit.htm

Sir Isaac Newton *invented the theory of gravity and much of the math needed to understand it.*

The Problem With Gravity







LIGO Einstein's Happiest Thought: Gravity Disappears When You Free Fall



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaning_ Tower_of_Pisa

Warning: thought experiment only; do not try this at home.

LIGO A new wrinkle on gravity: General Relativity arrives in 1915.

Figure: Focus Mar95 p30

Not only the path of matter, but even the path of light is affected by gravity from massive objects. Gravity is the curvature of space

and time!

Photo credit: NASA and European Space Agency (ESA)





http://www.geocities.com/Omegaman UK/relativity.html:

A massive object shifts apparent position of a star

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http://antwrp.gsfc.nasa.gov/apod/ap060528.html; GRO J1655-40: Evidence for a Spinning Black Hole; Drawing Credit: A. Hobart, CXC

Schwarzschild Black Hole

$$dT^{2} = \left(1 - \frac{2GM}{rc^{2}}\right)dt^{2} - \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{2GM}{rc^{2}}\right)}dr^{2} - r^{2}d\theta^{2} - r^{2}\sin^{2}\theta d\phi^{2}$$





$v_{esc} = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{r}}$	
$R_{s} = \frac{2GM}{c^{2}}$	

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•Escape Velocity

•Schwarzschild Radius

<u>Object</u>	Schwarzschild Radius
You	1 thousand, million, million, millionth the thickness of a human hair
Earth	1 cm (size of marble)
Sun	3 km (2 miles)
Galaxy	~ trillion miles

LIGO Gravitational Time Dilation



Photo:http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lea ning_Tower_of_Pisa LIGO-G070035-00-W Clock_Photos:http://en.wikipedia.org/wik i/Cuckoo_clock

Relativity and GPS

• Due to the orbital speed, clocks on the satellite lose 7 microseconds per day

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- •Due to the weaker gravitational field, clocks on the satellite gain 45 microseconds per day
- •Satellite clocks gain a net of 38 microsecond per day
- •Distance error = c*38microseconds; c = 186,000miles per second.
- •Without calibrating clocks to account for Relativity, GPS distance would be off by 7 miles after one day!
- See Scientific American, Sept. 1994



Illustration: NASA Clock_Photos:http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cuckoo_clock

LIGO Black Hole Embedding Diagrams



http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/time/times peak.html; Photo: Photodisc Imaging



http://www.astrosociety.org/education/publications/tnl/2 4/24.html



Worm Holes Time Travel & All That





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Stellar Collapse To Form A Black Hole

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Singularity

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Credit:Henze, NASA; http://www.nasa.gov/vision/universe/starsgalaxies/gwave.html





The End

Penrose Diagrams & Black Holes





http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaning_ Tower_of_Pisa

Equivalence Principle: Objects fall with the same acceleration in a gravitational field. There is an equivalence between gravity and acceleration.



http://www.physics.fsu.edu/Courses/Sp ring98/AST3033/Relativity/GeneralRel ativity.htm

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Tests Of General Relativity

1. Bending of starlight by the Sun



2. Shift of Mercury's Perihelion by 43" per century



Sun and Mercury Figures:

http://www.astro.cornell.edu/academics/courses/astro201/as tro201.html;

http://www.astro.cornell.edu/academics/courses/astro201/to pics.html; pages designed by Martha Haynes and Stirling Churchman LIGO-G070035-00-W



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leaning_ Tower_of_Pisa Gravitational Redshift of Light

Penrose Diagrams & Spacetime

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Figure: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Penrose_diagrams

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Title: Coherent searches for periodic gravitational waves from unknown isolated sources and Scorpius X-1: Authors: The LIGO Scientific Collaboration Comments: 35 pages, 30 figures

2. gr-qc/0512078 [abs, ps, pdf, other] :

Title: Joint LIGO and TAMA300 Search for Gravitational Waves from Inspiralling Neutron Star Binaries Authors: LIGO Scientific Collaboration, TAMA Collaboration Comments: 8 pages, 5 figures

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Title: Recent results on the search for continuous sources with LIGO and GEO600 Authors: Alicia M Sintes (for the LIGO Scientific Collaboration) Comments: TAUP2005 Proceedings to be published in Journal of Physics: Conference Series

4. gr-qc/0511146 [abs, ps, pdf, other] :

Title: Search for gravitational wave bursts in LIGO's third science run Authors: LIGO Scientific Collaboration Comments: 12 pages, 6 figures. Amaldi-6 conference proceedings to be published in Classical and Quantum Gravity Journal-ref: Class.Quant.Grav. 23 (2006) S29-S39

5. gr-qc/0509129 [abs, ps, pdf, other] :

Title: Search for gravitational waves from binary black hole inspirals in LIGO data Authors: LIGO Scientific Collaboration: B. Abbott et. al Comments: 18 pages, 8 figures Journal-ref: Phys.Rev. D73 (2006) 062001

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Textbooks:



A first course in general relativity

BERNARD F. SCHUTZ



LIGO & Gravitational Waves

Gravitational waves carry information about the spacetime around black holes & other sources.

$$dT^{2} = g_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu}$$
$$g_{\mu\nu} = \eta_{\mu\nu} + h_{\mu\nu}$$
$$\left(\nabla^{2} - \frac{1}{c^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial t^{2}}\right) \overline{h}^{\mu\nu} = 0$$
$$h_{\theta\theta}^{TT} (\theta = \pi/2) \propto \frac{1}{r} \cos[2\pi f (t - r/c) + 2\phi]$$

$$h_{\mu\nu}^{TT} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_{+} & h_{\times} & 0 \\ 0 & h_{\times} & -h_{+} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} e^{2\pi i f (t-z/c)}$$



IGO The Pythagorean Theorem Of
Spacetime

$$c^{2}\Delta T^{2} + v^{2}\Delta t^{2} = c^{2}\Delta t^{2}$$

 $c^{2}\Delta T^{2} = c^{2}\Delta t^{2} - v^{2}\Delta t^{2}$
 $c^{2}\Delta T^{2} = c^{2}\Delta t^{2} - v^{2}\Delta t^{2}$
 $c^{2}\Delta T^{2} = c^{2}\Delta t^{2} - \Delta x^{2}$
 $c = 1$ light-year/year
 $\Delta T^{2} = \Delta t^{2} - \Delta x^{2}$
Pythagorean Thm. of Spacetime



 $E=mc^2$

$$c^{2}\Delta t^{2} = c^{2}\Delta T^{2} + v^{2}\Delta t^{2}$$

$$m^{2}c^{4}\Delta t^{2} = m^{2}c^{4}\Delta T^{2} + m^{2}c^{2}v^{2}\Delta t^{2}$$

$$m^{2}c^{4}\Delta t^{2}/\Delta T^{2} = m^{2}c^{4} + m^{2}c^{2}v^{2}\Delta t^{2}/\Delta T^{2}$$

$$[mc^{2}/(1-v^{2}/c^{2})^{1/2}]^{2} = [mc^{2}]^{2} + [mv/(1-v^{2}/c^{2})^{1/2}]^{2}c^{2}$$

$$[mc^{2} + 1/2mv^{2}]^{2} = E^{2} = [mc^{2}]^{2} + p^{2}c^{2}$$
For v = 0: E = mc²

$$Approximate to order$$

$$v^{2}c^{2} = Newtonian$$
Kinetic Energy

Pythagorean Theorem and Einstein's General Theory of Relativity

 $\Delta \rightarrow d = infinitesimal$ change

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$$dT^2 = g_{tt}dt^2 + g_{xx}dx^2$$

 $dT^2 = g_{\mu\nu} dx^{\mu} dx^{\nu}$

In GR the components of a 4x4 symmetric matrix called the metric tensor define the curvature of spacetime.

$$\begin{split} G_{\mu\nu} &= 8\pi T_{\mu\nu} \\ G_{\mu\nu} &= R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R \\ R_{\mu\nu} &= R^{\alpha}_{\mu\alpha\nu}; R = g^{\mu\nu} R_{\mu\nu} \\ R^{\alpha}_{\mu\beta\nu} &= \partial_{\beta} \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\mu\nu} - \partial_{\nu} \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\mu\beta} + \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\beta\gamma} \Gamma^{\gamma}_{\mu\nu} - \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\gamma\nu} \Gamma^{\gamma}_{\mu\beta} \\ \Gamma^{\alpha}_{\mu\nu} &= \frac{1}{2} g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial_{\nu} g_{\mu\beta} + \partial_{\mu} g_{\beta\nu} - \partial_{\beta} g_{\mu\nu}) \end{split}$$

Einstein's Field Equations

LIGO Black Hole Formation: Supernovae



Photo: Supernova 1987A http://www.aao.gov.au/images/captions/aat050.html Anglo-Australian Observatory, photo by David Malin.

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http://researchnews.osu.edu/archive/fuzzballpic.htm (Illustration: CXC/M.Weiss)



image by Dana Berry/NASA; NASA News Release posted July 2, 2003 on Spaceflight Now.

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http://chandra.harvard.edu/photo/2006/j1655/; Credit: Illustration: NASA/CXC/M.Weiss; X-ray Spectrum: NASA/CXC/U.Michigan/J.Miller et al. http://chandra.harvard.edu/photo/2004/rxj1242/index.html; Credit: Illustration: NASA/CXC/M.Weiss; X-ray: NASA/CXC/MPE/S.Komossa et al.; Optical: ESO/MPE/S.Komossa