# Axion Bosenova and Gravitational Waves

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# Introduction

### Very interesting era of GR

#### Advanced LIGO

#### Advanced VIRGO









One of the interesting possibilities is to find new physics beyond GR!

## Can we find a signal of string theory?

Arvanitaki, Dimopoulos, Dubvosky, Kaloper, March-Russel, PRD81 (2010), 123530.



- Maybe Yes, if there are String Axions with very tiny mass
- In string theory, many moduli appear when the extra dimensions get compactified.
- Some of them (10-100) are expected to behave like scalar fields with very tiny mass, which are called string axions.



#### Axion field around a rotating BH

 Axion field extracts BH rotational energy and forms an "axion cloud"





Detweiler, PRD22 (1980), 2323. Zouros and Eardley, Ann. Phys. 118 (1979), 139.



#### Gravitational Atom











## Gross phenomena of the axion-BH system







#### Gross phenomena of the axion-BH system $T_{\rm BN} \sim 100 M$ Scalar field amplitude Bosenova Bosenova Bosenova $\varphi \approx 1$ GW GW GW Superradiant Superradiant Superradiant instability instability instability If the bosenova happens at Cygnus X-1 Superradiant instability $\omega_{\rm GW} \sim 10^2 \ {\rm Hz}$ $T_{\rm sr} \sim 10^7 M$ GW amplitude is marginal to be detected by 2nd generation ground based detectors (order estimate) Yoshino and Kodama, PTP128, 153 (2012) Time







# Constraining string axion models from GW observation

Preliminary



- They looked for continuous waves from distorted pulsars
- Detectable amplitude can be made smaller by increasing observation time

$$h_{\rm rss} \sim h \sqrt{T_{\rm obs}}$$

# LIGO's continuous wave search

No GWs have been detected, upper limit on the amplitude is given.



# Our idea (1)

Consider continuous waves from BH-axion system

 $50 \text{ Hz} \le f \le 1200 \text{ Hz}$  $\Leftrightarrow 10^{-13} \text{ eV} \le \mu \le 2.4 \times 10^{-12} \text{ eV}$ 

• If we assume  $M \approx 15 M_{\odot}$ ,  $0.0125 \le M \mu \le 0.3$ 

- $\Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{We consider axion cloud in the } l = m = 1 \text{ mode} \\ \text{We use the approximate formula for small } M\mu \end{array}$
- $\Rightarrow$  The wave form is same as the distorted pulsar case

Amplitude: 
$$h_0 \approx \left(\frac{E_a}{M}\right) (\mu M)^6 \left(\frac{M}{d}\right)$$

# Our idea (2)

 We adopt the axion cloud energy when the nonlinear selfinteraction becomes important

$$\frac{\Phi_{\max}}{f_a} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi e^2}} \sqrt{\frac{E_a}{M}} \left(\frac{f_a}{M_p}\right)^{-1} (\mu M)^2 \approx 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 10^{-22} \left(\frac{f_a}{10^{16} \text{GeV}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{M}{15M_{\odot}}\right)^3 \left(\frac{\mu}{10^{-12} \text{eV}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{d}{1 \text{kpc}}\right)^{-1} < h_{\text{UL}}$$

 In order to exclude the situation where gravitational backreaction is significant, we require

$$\frac{E_a}{M} < 0.05 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left| \frac{f_a}{10^{16} \text{GeV}} < 0.1 \times \left( \frac{M}{15M_{\odot}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{\mu}{10^{-12} \text{eV}} \right)^2 \right|$$



# Remark

- The result of the continuous wave search cannot be used in our case because
  - In the data analysis, isolated pulsar is assumed.
  - Cygnus X-1 is a binary system, and therefore, GW frequency fluctuates by the Doppler shift
  - The data analysis strongly depend on the assumed situation
  - If the target search of continuous waves from the Cygnus X-1 is carried out, that kind of constraint can be obtained.

# Dependence on the distance

 Some estimates give the BH number in our galaxy as 10<sup>8</sup>-10<sup>9</sup>

Timms, Woosley, Weaver, ApJ457, 834 (1996).

- The averaged distance in the neighbouring BHs is expected to be 7–15 pc
  - ⇒ There might exist invisible isolated BH at relatively close position



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- It is possible to constrain string axion models from existing LIGO observational data.
- Target search from continuous GWs from Cygnus X-1 is required to obtain rigorous constraint.
- Invisible isolated solar mass BHs are likely to exist relatively close to us, and this suggests that string axions may be constrained more strongly.