

SEISMIC NEWTONIAN NOISE AND SEISMIC GLITCHNESS AT THE CANDIDATE SITES

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Introduction

- We focused on the effect of Newtonian Noise on the low frequency band (2-10 Hz) for the GW sources whose expected signal is limited in that band, for example coalescence of Intermediate Mass Black Holes;
- The Newtonian Noise is expected to be one of the dominant noise source in this frequency band;
- An excess of Newtonian Noise, even for a short time interval, could even completely hide such kind of signals;
- The aim of this work is to provide a lower limit for the detectability of short duration signals in the low frequency band, like IMBH;
- This work is an update of the results of measurements already presented in the ET Workshop 2020;



Newtonian Noise

Motivation

- Newtonian Noise have a large variability, depending on the site, season, weather and other local conditions;
- The variability can be easily recognized by directly analyzing the seismic noise



Seismometer at Sos Enattos Placed in cavern at -111 m Data from: 21/12/2021 То 20/12/2022

Variability of about one order of magnitude in the 1-10 Hz band SPB Workshop - January 23 - 26, 2023 4



Newtonian Noise

Model

• The NN can be estimated from the measured seismic noise using a simplified model:

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$$\tilde{h}_{NN} = \frac{4\pi}{3} G \rho_0 \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{L} \frac{1}{(2\pi f)^2} \tilde{x}$$

F. Badaracco, J. Harms, Class.Quant.Grav. 36 (2019) 14, 145006

- Assuming:
 - Contribution only from body waves;
 - 1/3 of contribution to seismic noise coming from compressional waves;
 - Spherical or cubic cave;
 - Uncorrelated NN on the ITF Test Masses;
- Other mechanism can increase the NN level;
- Anyway, this expression provides for a credible lower limit;

J. Harms et al., Eur. Phys. J. Plus (2022) 137:687



Newtonian Noise

Model

• Example: Projection of the NN with the measurements collected at Sos Enattos, at level 2 (111 m underground)



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Noise to Target Ratio

- Anyway, a simple projection does not provide the effect of non-stationarity of NN (Glitchness) on the detectability of short duration GW signals.
- To this aim a more effective indicator is the so-called Noise to Target Ratio (NTR):

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$$NTR = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\Delta f} \int_{f_1}^{f_2} df \ \frac{\tilde{h}_{NN}\tilde{h}_{NN}}{S_n}}$$

A. Allocca et al., Eur. Phys. J. Plus (2021) 136:511

- S_n is the PSD of the ET target sensitivity;
- $\Delta f = f_2 f_1$ is the selected bandwidth;



Noise to Target Ratio

- A value of NTR larger than one implies that, in the selected dataset, the contribution of the NN is limiting the ET sensitivity;
- If the bandwidth of the GW signal is larger than f_2 one can recover the signal since the NN is not significant for high frequency ($f_2=10$ Hz);

- Otherwise, the GW signal is fully lost;
- In order to quantify the impact of the NN glitchness, it is necessary to fix a time scale for the typical signal duration;



Time Window Definition

- To choose the time window for computing the NTR we set a reference mass *m* of the binary BH system from the relation:
- $\frac{m}{M_{\odot}} = 2.2 \ kHz \ \frac{1}{f_{ISCO}}$
- with $f_{ISCO} = \frac{f_2}{2}$
- than, by randomly selecting the masses m_1 and m_2 according to the condition:

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$$f_1 < 4.4 \ kHz \frac{M_{\odot}}{m_1 + m_2} < f_2$$

• we obtain the coalescence time:

•
$$\tau = 2.2 \ s \left(\frac{1.21 \ M_{\odot}}{M_c}\right)^{\frac{5}{3}} \left(\frac{100 \ Hz}{f_1}\right)^{\frac{8}{3}}$$



Time Window Definition

• This procedure was applied in two different cases:



• In both cases, by setting $\Delta t=60$ s more than 97% of the resulting coalescing time is included



Location and time interval

- Once selected the time window, the NTR can be computed over a long-time interval by properly processing the seismic data collected in that interval;
- In particular we applied this procedure to seismic data collected in:
 - Terziet (Euregio Meuse-Rhine):
 - NL.TERZ.01.HHZ: seismometer at -250 m;
 - Sos Enattos (Sardinia):
 - ET.P2.01.HHZ seismometers at -250 m;
 - ET.P3.01.HHZ seismometers at -250 m;
 - ET.SOE2..HHZ: seismometer at -111 m;
- Time interval: 21/12/2021 20/12/2022



Seismic Noise

• Variability of seismic noise in the selected locations





Newtonian Noise

• A rough comparison can be done by directly estimating the NN from the median spectra





Newtonian Noise

• Variability is also important: better information from the percentiles (only two sites for clarity)



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NTR 2-10 Hz

- For the details, the NTR can be analyzed.
- Values larger than 100 were excluded (less than 0.003% in all cases)





NTR 2-10 Hz

• Distributions along the day





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P2 - NTR 2-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>1)=6.3%





P3 - NTR 2-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>1)=4.7%





SOE2 - NTR 2-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>1)=38.6%





TERZ - NTR 2-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR > 5) = 8.9%





Full NTR Comparison

• Comparison of the full distributions for each site



- The NN estimations for P2 and P3 sensors (and hopefully for SOE2 also if provided with a sensor in a borehole...) indicate that NN could not limit the sensitivity for a large fraction of the time
- Anyway, they only provides for a lower limit...



Conclusions

- Clear indication that, at least for Sardinia, NN could be a limited issue for sources whose spectrum is limited in the 2-10 Hz frequency band;
- Otherwise, a NN cancellation of a factor 5 is needed to recover to final ET sensitivity for more than 90% of time;
- A change in the detector geometry and length (L shape, 20 km long) should reduce the effect of NN.



IMBH Mass Distribution

• Mass of the IMBH binary systems resulting from the simulation used to set the time window





P2 - NTR 3-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>1)=2.3%





P3 - NTR 3-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>1)=2.0%





SOE2 - NTR 3-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>1)=22.9%





TERZ - NTR 3-10 Hz

- Detailed distributions for each site:
 - P(NTR>5)=6.0%





NTR Comparison (3-10 Hz)

• Comparison of the full distributions for each site





V/H channels

• Comparison between NN estimation by vertical and horizontal channels

