OGMA TEAM:

Contributions to Multimessenger & High Energy Neutrino Astronomy

The OGMA Team (Observations with Gravitational waves & Multimessenger Astronomy) is involved in High Energy Neutrino (HEN) Astronomy, with technical and physics contributions to the ANTARES and KM3NET GeV-PeV neutrino telescopes, and in Gravitational Wave (GW) Astronomy, with technical and physics contributions to the VIRGO interferometer. OGMA also contributes to MultiMessenger studies, i.e. combining data from GW, HEN and ElectroMagnetic (EM) instruments.

High Energy Neutrino astronomy was born after the discovery by ICECUBE of a diffuse flux of cosmic neutrinos with energies TeV-PeV in 2013. Since then, only a handful of HEN sources have been discovered - recently NGC1068, an active galactic nucleus, but also the Tidal disruption event AT2019dsg observed in EM and associated with the HEN candidate IC191001A, and the blazar TXS0506+056 observed in high energy gamma-rays, associated with the HEN IC170922A. These observations were the first MultiMessenger observations involving High Energy Neutrinos. Other potential HEN sources range from short-duration transients, such as gamma-ray bursts (GRBs) with EM light curves fading after a few hours, to medium-duration transients, such as core-collapse supernovae or long-duration transients, for instance, jetted TDE. Some of these sources may be associated with GW emissions occuring shortly before or during the production of HEN - see for instance the search for HEN in coincidence with GW170817 to which IPHC participated.

The main multimessenger astronomy contribution of the OGMA team consists in combining GW and HEN data, both in realtime and offline, to show a possible connection between the production of the astrophysical jets producing HEN, detectable with KM3NET or ICECUBE, and the origin of their engines through GW emissions. These GWHEN analyses have to be consolidated for the incoming concomittant operations of VIRGO/LIGO and KM3NET instruments. In particular, the realtime correlation between observed GW candidates since the beginning of the O4 run, and ICECUBE neutrino alerts, could be studied during this internship. OGMA finally takes part in the definition of the Neutrino followup campaigns that will be performed by the GRANDMA Telescope Network in the near future - to discover and characterize possible EM counterparts of HEN candidates. After the detection of an interesting HEN candidate by KM3NET or ICECUBE, telescopes scan the sky in the direction of the incoming neutrino in order to discover a possible EM counterpart. Another possible internship is the implementation of the HEN followup strategy within the GRANDMA telescope network.

These works could be naturally extended during a PhD Thesis.

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