





The 2003 science run of EXPLORER and NAUTILUS

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EXPLORER

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NAUTILUS

Gravitational Wave Detectors





gravitational wave resea

Data taking during the last 14 years largest data base of GW data worldwide





2005



Strain sensitivity (Hz-1/2)

DATA TAKING DURING 2003

EXPLORER

NAUTILUS



Science Run 03

Coincidence measurement time 148.7 days

Data selection

Accepted periods: Hourly averaged Noise Temp. < 12 mK Accepted events: Noise Temp. before the event < 8 mK SNR_E = Event energy / Noise Temp. > 19.5

Coincidence time window 30 ms

The study of the events induced in the detectors by cosmic ray showers is very fruitful It is a delta

It is a delta excitation!

- Efficiency test for the algorithms
 Determination of the detectors time resolution
 Coincidence window
- Independent detector calibration
 Coincidence energy filter



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RAP (acoustic detection of particles at the DAFNE BTF) Recent results (look at the poster!)

QuickTime™ e un decompressore TIFF (LZW) sono necessari per visualizzare quest'immagine.

- thermoacoustic model OK with electrons on AI
- s/c effect understood with Nb

Effect of cosmic rays



EXPLORER is equipped with 3 layers (2 above the cryostat - area 13m² - and 1 below -area 6 m²) **of Plastic Scintillators.**



NAUTILUS is equipped with 7 layers (3 above the cryostat - area 36m²/each - and 4 below -area 16.5 m²/each) of Streamer tubes.

The cosmic ray effect on the bar is measured by an offline correlation, driven by the arrival time of the cosmic rays, between the observed multiplicity in the CR detector (saturation for M≥10³ particles/m²) and the data of the antenna, sampled each 4.54 ms and processed by a filter matched to δ signals

 $\Delta E = 1 \ mK = 0.15 \ \mu eV$



EXPLORER has been on the air since May 2000 with:

-new, 10 µm gap transducer -new, high coupling SQUID

Bandwidth: the detector has a sensitivity better than 10⁻²⁰ Hz^{-1/2} on a band larger than 50 Hz

The noise temperature is < 3 mK (h=4.4 10⁻¹⁹) for 84% of the time.



Increasing the Bandwidth of Resonant Gravitational Antennas: The Case of Explorer P. Astone *et al.* (ROG Collaboration) Phys. Rev. Lett. 91, 11 (2003)

Time resolution vs bandwidth



Event triggered by cosmic ray shower

Events are characterized by

- time: time of the maximum of the filtered output
- energy: energy of the maximum





ROG S 03

N events Explorer 72086; Nautilus 114911

Accidentals Shifting 1000 times, dt = 1s

Result

Nc = 24 Background = 18.8 P (Poisson) = 14 %

GWDAW Kyoto 2002

• Classical and Quantum Gravity 19, 5449 (2002)

3 points:

- Unprecedented sensitivity
- Two powerful tools in the same analysis:
 - amplitude (energy) consistency
 - sidereal time analysis
- Defined analysis procedure for the next run

EXPLORER-NAUTILUS 2001 data analysis ROG Coll.: CQG **19**, 5449 (2002)



Comments, analysis and studies

L.S.Finn: CQG **20**, L37 (2003) P.Astone, G.D'Agostini, S.D'Antonio: CQG **20**, S769 (2003) ROG Coll.:CQG **20**, S785 (2003) E.Coccia, F. Dubath, M. Maggiore: PRD **70**, 084010 (2004)

DIRECTIONALITY



G. Paturel, Yu.V. Barishev Sidereal time analysis as a tool for $10^{-18.5}$ $10^{-18.5}$ study of the space distribution of gw sources. Astro-ph/0211604v1; A&A 398, 377 (2003) events Ó Ō of 10^{-18} rate 4.0 10^{-18} relative N.0 The expected rate of events on EXPLORER for sources on the galactic disc and on the GC 0 10 15 20 20 5 10 15 0 5 D sideral time (hours) sideral time (hours)



Time coincidence





68%





Conclusion

- EXPLORER NAUTILUS Science run 03:
 - crewless operation
 - data validated by cosmic ray effect
 - new upper limit with bars, no significant coincidence excess nor sidereal effect.

To be done

- Use cosmic ray data to reduce calibration uncertainty
- ROG data available for correlation studies with IGEC and all the other detectors.

$$H = h_o \tau$$
$$h_{rss} = h_o \sqrt{\tau} = H/\sqrt{\tau}$$
$$\tau = 1 \, ms$$

