



PCGM 27

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PCGM27 Scientific Program

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- Yanbei Chen**
- Lee Lindblom**
- Christian Ott**
- Alan Weinstein**

Friday, March 18, 2011

Session I (Chair: Yanbei Chen, Caltech)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
		Breakfast and Registration	8:00	8:54	
Yanbei Chen	Caltech	Welcome and Announcements	8:54	9:00	
Kip Thorne	Caltech	Visualizing the Weyl Curvature Tensor: Frame-Drag Vortex Lines and Tidal Tendex Lines	9:00	9:12	
David Nichols	Caltech	Vortex and Tendex Lines in Post-Newtonian and Black-Hole Perturbation Spacetimes	9:12	9:24	•
Keith D. Matthews	Caltech	Computation of Vortex and Tendex Lines in Numerical Simulations, and Their Behaviors in a Head-on Collision of Spinning Black Holes	9:24	9:36	•
Mark Scheel	Caltech	Vortexes and Tendexes in Black Hole Collisions	9:36	9:48	
Fan Zhang	Caltech	The Meanings of Frame-Drag Vortex Lines and Tidal Tendex Lines	9:48	10:00	•
Aaron Zimmerman	Caltech	New Ringdown Frequency at the Birth of a Kerr Black Hole	10:00	10:12	•
		Coffee Break	10:12	10:48	

Session II (Chair: Christian Ott, Caltech)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
Richard Price	University of Texas at Brownsville	Strong Antikicks in Binary Inspiral	10:48	11:00	
Charles R. Evans	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill	Eccentric orbit EMRIs on Schwarzschild: High accuracy metric reconstruction I	11:00	11:12	
Seth Hopper	University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill	Eccentric orbit EMRIs on Schwarzschild: High accuracy metric reconstruction II	11:12	11:24	•
Sourabh Nampalliwar	University of Texas at Brownsville	Pulsar Beam Bending Near the Galactic Center	11:24	11:36	•

Chin San Han	Stanford	Space-Time Asymmetry Research (STAR)	11:36	11:48	•
Franklin Felber	Starmark, Inc.	Dipole Gravity Waves from Gravitationally Unbound Quadrupoles	11:48	12:00	
Anil Zenginoglu	Caltech	Relativity for Engineering Applications	12:00	12:12	
Arthur Fischer	University of California, Santa Cruz	Einstein's Second Postulate of Special Relativity on the Universality of the Speed of Light is a Consequence of the First Postulate and is therefore Redundant	12:12	12:24	
		Lunch	12:24	2:00	

Session III (Chair: Richard Price, University of Texas at Brownsville)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
Vladimir Dergachev	Caltech	Search for Continuous Gravitational Waves with LIGO	2:00	2:12	
Kari Hodge	Caltech	Multivariate Statistical Classification of Gravitational Wave Events	2:12	2:24	•
Roy Williams	Caltech	LIGO Open Data	2:24	2:36	
Huan Yang	Caltech	Coating Brownian Thermal Noise	2:36	2:48	•
Akira Villar	Caltech	Loss Angles From the Direct Measurement of Coating Thermal Noise	2:48	3:00	•
Zach Korth	Caltech	Absorption in iLIGO Core Optics	3:00	3:12	•
Jenne Driggers	Caltech	Newtonian Noise and Seismic FeedForward: Lessons Learned for aLIGO and Beyond	3:12	3:24	•
Ting Hong	Caltech	Effects of Mirror Perturbations on Laguerre-Gaussian Beams in Interferometric Gravitational-Wave Detectors	3:24	3:36	•
		Coffee Break	3:36	4:12	

Session IV (Chair: Mark Scheel, Caltech)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
Joshua H. Cooperman	Univ. of Calif. Davis	Scales and Scaling in Causal Dynamical Triangulations	4:12	4:24	•
Colin Cunniff	Univ. of Calif. Davis	Topologically Massive Gravity from the Outside In	4:24	4:36	•
Yacine Ali-Haimoud	Caltech	Testing Dynamical Chern-Simons Gravity with Spinning Bodies	4:36	4:48	•
Douglas Singleton	California State University, Fresno	Hawking Radiation, Unruh Radiation and the Equivalence Principle	4:48	5:00	
Dinesh Singh	University of Regina	Local Space-Time Curvature Effects on Quantum Orbital Angular Momentum	5:00	5:12	

Party!!!

All participants are invited to an informal party, including a light dinner and refreshments, starting at 7pm on Friday March 18. Directions and a map will be made available at the meeting. Those interested in using the hot tub and/or swimming pool should bring swimming suits.

Saturday, March 19, 2011

Session V (Chair: Ben Owen, Penn State)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
		Breakfast and Registration	8:00	9:00	
Peter Kalmus	Caltech	Search for Gravitational Waves from Core Collapse Supernovae	9:00	9:12	
Michael Kesden	NYU	Detecting Primordial Black Holes with Helioseismology	9:12	9:24	
Marc Favata	JPL/Caltech	The Gravitational-Wave Memory from Eccentric Binaries	9:24	9:36	
Tim Johannsen	University of Arizona	Testing the No-Hair Theorem with Observations of Black Holes in the Electromagnetic Spectrum	9:36	9:48	•
Sam Koshy	California State University, Long Beach	Tidal Locking of Neutron Star-Quark Star Binaries	9:48	10:00	•
Bijan	SLAC/Stanford/KIPAC	Search for Gravity-Only Large Extra Dimensions Based on	10:00	10:12	•

Berenji	SLAC/Stamford/RIPAC	Observations of Neutron Stars with Fermi-LAT	10:00	10:12	•
		Coffee Break	10:12	10:48	

Session VI (Chair: Rana Adhikari, Caltech)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
Nick Taylor	Caltech	Second-order in Space Spectral Methods Applied to Binary Black Hole Simulations	10:48	11:00	
Tony Chu	Caltech	Towards Including Realistic Tidal Deformations in Binary Black Hole Initial Data	11:00	11:12	•
Evgeny Sorkin	UBC	Vacuum Critical Collapse in Axisymmetry	11:12	11:24	
Paul Gebhart	Caltech	Generalized GR Hydrodynamics in Spherical Symmetry	11:24	11:36	•
Christian Reisswig	Caltech	Gravitational Wave Extraction in Simulations of Rotating Stellar Core Collapse	11:36	11:48	
Eric Hirschmann	Brigham Young University	Equilibrium Models of Strongly Magnetized Neutron Stars	11:48	12:00	
		Lunch	12:00	2:00	

40m Interferometer Tours

Participants interested in a tour of the 40m interferometer should sign up on the list at the registration table. Tours will take place during the lunch break on Saturday March 19.

Session VII (Chair: Alan Weinstein, Caltech)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
Anzhong Wang	Baylor University	Anisotropic Scalings and Non-Relativistic General Covariant Theory of Quantum Gravity	2:00	2:12	
V. H. Satheeshkumar	Baylor University	Black holes in Non-Relativistic General Covariant Theory of Quantum Gravity	2:12	2:24	•
Kai Lin	Baylor University	Stability of a Scalar Field in the Non-Relativistic General Covariant Theory of Gravity with Detailed Balance Condition Softly-Breaking	2:24	2:36	•
Yongqing Huang	Baylor University	Strong Coupling in Non-Relativistic General Covariant Theory With a Running Coupling Constant λ	2:36	2:48	•
Hui-Yiing Chang	Vanderbilt University	Phantom Cosmologies Ameliorating the Coincidence Problem	2:48	3:00	•
Michael Duncan	California State University, Fresno	Entropic Derivation of $F=ma$ for Circular Motion	3:00	3:12	•
		Coffee Break	3:24	3:54	

Session VIII (Chair: James Isenberg, University of Oregon)

Name	Organization	Talk	Begin	End	Student
		GGR Student Talk Award	3:54	4:00	
Myrzakulov Ratbay	Eurasian National University, Kazakhstan	Cosmology of f-Essence and g-Essence	4:00	4:12	
David Rideout	Perimeter Institute	Dynamics of Causal Sets -- Classical and Quantum	4:12	4:24	
Parampreet Singh	Louisiana State University	Spacetime Beyond Singularities: A View From Loop Quantum Gravity	4:24	4:36	
Jonas Mureika	Loyola Marymount University	Gravitational Phenomenology of Vanishing Dimensions	4:36	4:48	

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