

GECO cosmology circle

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Discussions in this circle are primarily focused on measurements of cosmological parameters

- Number of subscribers: 30
- Wiki page: <http://wiki.lam.fr/geco/CosmoDiscussionCircle>
- Coordinator: Michael Blomqvist
- Meeting time: Tuesdays, 15:00-16:00, once every two weeks
- Meeting format: news & information, paper discussions, project presentations, open discussions
- Number of meetings: 10
- Average attendance: 8.2 (between 5-13 per meeting)

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- + Share news and information with each other
- + Interesting discussions of recent papers
- + Wide range of topics covered (galaxy clustering, gravitational lensing, galaxy clusters, cosmic distance ladder, ...)
- + Average attendance is OK

- Not enough suggestions for topics/papers
- No presentations by students so far!
- Not enough discussions/presentations of our own research

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Highlight of the spring semester:
Open discussion about the first detection of gravitational waves
by LIGO and its implications for cosmology (Feb 23)

Simultaneous observations of a transient gravitational-wave signal by the two LIGO detectors in Sept 2015.

The signal matches the waveform predicted by GR for a binary black hole merger.

