Effects of QCD phase transition on gravitational radiation from two-dimensional collapse and bounce of massive stars

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We perform two-dimensional, magneto-hydrodynamical core-collapse simulations of massive stars accompanying the QCD phase transition. We study how the phase-transition affects the gravitational waveforms near the epoch of core-bounce. As for initial models, we change the strength of rotation and magnetic fields. Particularly, the degree of differential rotation in the iron core (Fe-core) is changed parametrically. As for the microphysics, we adopt a phenomenological equation of state above the saturation density, including two parameters to change the hardness before the transition. We assume the first order phase transition, where the conversion of bulk nuclear matter to a chirally symmetric quarkgluon phase is described by the MIT bag model. Based on these computations, we find that the phase transition can make the maximum amplitudes larger up to ~10 percents than the ones without the phase transition. On the other hand, when the degree of the differential rotation becomes larger, the maximum amplitudes become smaller up to ~10 percents owing to the phase transition. We find that even extremely strong magnetic fields ~10¹⁷ G in the protoneutron star do not affect these results.

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I. INTRODUCTION

It was presented that quark matter may exist in the Universe [1,2]. The existence is now supposed to be inside the core of neutron stars or inferred to be bare quark stars, where several observational signals have been suggested [3–6]. Much attention has also been paid to explore the relevant astrophysical phenomena in such sites [7–11]. Related to the newer observation of PSRJ0751 + 1807, skyrmion stars have been proposed to explain the large mass ($\sim 2.1 M_{\odot}$) of a compact object [12].

It has been presented that the quark matter might appear during supernova explosions [13,14] or the transition of a neutron star to a quark star [15]. Current supernova studies demonstrate that the stellar collapse of stars below $\sim 25M_{\odot}$ in the main sequence stage leads to the formation of neutron stars, while for more massive stars, to the formation of the black hole [16]. In the latter case, quark matters might appear because the central density could exceed the density of the QCD phase transition. It is worth mentioning here that supernova models with the phase transition are important because the vast release of the gravitational energy at the transition could be responsible for some classes of long-duration gamma-ray bursts [11]. In this connection, another energy source has been recently proposed as *quark nova* [17,18].

It should be noted that the uncertainty of the equation of state (EOS) is always a big problem in the research of corecollapse supernovae with the phase transition. The gravitational wave detections will make such microphysical phenomena clear in the future. Currently, the gravitational astronomy is now becoming a reality. In fact, the groundbased laser interferometers such as TAMA300 [19,20] and the first LIGO [21,22] are beginning to take data at sensitivities where astrophysical events are predicted. For the detectors including GEO600 and VIRGO, core-collapse supernovae especially in our Galaxy, have been supposed to be the most plausible sources of gravitational waves (see reviews, for example, [23,24]).

So far, there has been extensive work devoted to studying gravitational radiation in the context of rotational [25-32] and magnetorotational [33,34] core-collapse supernovae. On the other hand, there are a very few simulations concerning the effects of the phase transition on the gravitational signals. Lin and his collaborators recently presented a three-dimensional simulation with the use of the polytropic equation of state in baryonic phase and MIT bag model in quark phase. They investigated how the delayed collapse of a rapidly rotating neutron star induced by the phase transition long after its formation, could produce the gravitational waveforms [35]. They demonstrated that the waveforms can be characterized by the damping timescale of the core and the induced core oscillation frequency. Furthermore, they pointed that the energy release in the form of the gravitational radiation owing to the transition could be less than $\sim 10\%$ of the gravitational binding energy.

In the present paper, we also pay attention to the effects of the phase transition on the gravitational waveforms, not at the epoch considered above, but at the moment of corebounce during the gravitational collapse of the massive stars. For this purpose, we perform the two-dimensional

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magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) simulations of the supernova cores accompanying the phase transition. To treat the QCD phase transition, we employ a MIT bag model. We construct the initial models by changing the strength of rotation and magnetic fields, and the degree of differential rotation parametrically. We also vary the hardness of EOS in the baryonic phase in a parametric manner. In this paper, we investigate the relation between the phase transition and the change in the gravitational signals systematically.

This paper is organized as follows. In Sec. II we outline the numerical methods, input physics, the initial models, and the numerical methods for the gravitational waveforms. In Sec. III, we present numerical results. Section IV is devoted to the conclusion.

II. NUMERICAL METHOD AND INITIAL MODELS

A. Numerical method

The numerical method for MHD computations employed in this paper is based on the ZEUS-2D code [36], (see [33] for details of the application to the core-collapse simulations). In the following equations, geometric units are used, $G = c = \hbar = 1$. The basic MHD equations are written as follows:

$$\frac{D\rho}{Dt} + \rho \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = 0, \qquad (1)$$

$$\rho_{\overline{Dt}}^{\underline{Dv}} = -\nabla P - \rho \nabla \Phi_{\text{eff}} + \frac{1}{4\pi} (\nabla \times \boldsymbol{B}) \times \boldsymbol{B}, \qquad (2)$$

$$\rho_{\overline{Dt}}^{\underline{D}}(\underline{e}) = -P\boldsymbol{\nabla}\cdot\boldsymbol{v},\tag{3}$$

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{B}}{\partial t} = \boldsymbol{\nabla} \times (\boldsymbol{v} \times \boldsymbol{B}), \tag{4}$$

$$\Delta \Phi = 4\pi\rho. \tag{5}$$

Here, ρ , *P*, \boldsymbol{v} , *e*, \boldsymbol{B} , Φ , and D/Dt, are the density, pressure, velocity, internal energy density, magnetic field, gravitational potential, and the Lagrangian derivative, respectively. In addition to the previous version [33], we newly take into account the general relativistic correction to the Newtonian gravity because it affects the waveform of the gravitational wave at the moment of the phase transition and the subsequent contraction of the core. The effective potential Φ_{eff} in Eq. (2) includes the correction [37], which is defined to be

where

$$\Phi_{\rm eff} = \Phi + \delta \Phi_{\rm TOV},$$

$$\delta \Phi_{\rm TOV} = \Phi_{\rm TOV} - \Phi_{\rm S}.$$

Here, Φ_{TOV} is the gravitational potential which is constructed using the Tolman-Oppenheimer-Volkoff equation. Φ_{S} is the spherical Newtonian gravitational potential. Albeit simple, this method has been demonstrated to reproduce well the results of the general relativistic calculations [37].

B. Equation of state

To describe the QCD phase transition in the supernova cores, we follow the method adopted in Ref. [13]. The transition to a hadronic phase is modeled by adding the MIT bag constant B to the energy density. This phenomenological term lowers the pressure of the quark phase, where a transition to a confined phase occurs.

The EOS in the quark phase is written as

$$\rho = \frac{9}{4} \left(\frac{3\pi^2}{N_f}\right)^{1/3} \left[1 + \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi}\right] n_b^{4/3} + B, \tag{6}$$

$$P = \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{3\pi^2}{N_f}\right)^{1/3} \left[1 + \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi}\right] n_b^{4/3} - B,$$
 (7)

$$\mu_b = 3 \left(\frac{3\pi^2}{N_f} \right)^{1/3} \left[1 + \frac{2\alpha_s}{3\pi} \right] n_b^{1/3}.$$
 (8)

Here, ρ and μ_b are the energy density and the mean baryon chemical potential, respectively. We assume that μ_b is 3 times that of the quark chemical potential. The number of quark flavors $N_f = 3$, and n_b is the mean baryon number density assumed to be the one third of the quark number density. Using (6) and (7), we get

$$\rho = 3P + 4B.$$

We set the QCD coupling constant $\alpha_s = 0$ in most models, which indicates that the coexistence phase between the baryon and quark is the widest in the density region. This choice helps us evaluate the effects of the phase transition maximally [13]. In the baryon phase, we adopt the phenomenological EOS of BCK [38] that includes two parameters of the incompressibility *K* and the adiabatic index Γ to express the degree of the hardness of matter above saturation density. The EOS of BCK is parametrized as follows:

$$P = \frac{Kn_0}{9\Gamma} \left[\left(\frac{n_b}{n_0} \right)^{\Gamma} - 1 \right].$$
⁽⁹⁾

Here the chemical potential in the baryon phase is given as,

$$\mu = \frac{\rho + P}{n_b},\tag{10}$$

here n_0 is the saturation number density ($n_0 = 0.17 \text{ fm}^{-3}$). Two parameters of *K* and Γ are shown in Table I. We note that recent measurements give the constraints on the incompressibility: $210 \le K \le 270 \text{ MeV}$ [39–41]. Therefore the adopted value of K = 220 MeV is consistent with this measurement. We furthermore take into account the parameter of K = 375 MeV, which would correspond to an extreme value. We add the pressures of electrons and photons to the EOS of BCK [13]. Since we focus on the behavior of the EOS above n_0 , we use the phenomenological EOS of Ref. [42] (YS EOS) below n_0 in all models: when the pressure by BCK EOS exceeds that by YS EOS,

TABLE I. Physical quantities for EOS in hadron/quark phase equilibrium. The values, α_s , ρ_1 , ρ_2 , $B^{1/4}$, and μ_b are the QCD coupling constant, the critical density of the baryon phase, the density of the corresponding quark phase, the bag constant, and the mean baryon chemical potential, respectively. *K* and Γ are the incompressibility and the adiabatic index, which change the hardness of the baryon phase.

Model	α_s	$\rho_1 \ (10^{14} \ \mathrm{g cm^{-3}})$	$\rho_2 \ (10^{14} \ \mathrm{g cm^{-3}})$	$B^{1/4}$ (MeV)	μ_b (MeV)	K (MeV)	Г
-Mh	0	5	7.34	164.8	967	375	3
-Mm	0	5	7.01	163.8	949	220	3
-Ms	0	5	6.93	163.8	949	220	2.5
-Mma	0.25	5	6.00	157.3	953	220	3
-Mm6	0	6	7.28	163.8	964	220	3

we use the BCK EOS until the density reaches the critical density ρ_1 . Note that the density where the EOS changes from YS EOS to BCK EOS is just around the saturation density for all cases in the present calculations.

As for the criterion of the phase transition, we impose the Gibbs condition with respect to the pressure and chemical potential to bridge the baryon and quark phase. We assume that the transition starts at $\rho_1 = 5 \times 10^{14}$ g cm⁻³ for the baryon phase in most models, whose value lies between those adopted by Gentile *et al.* [13], and supported by a recent study about the quark-gluon plasma [43]. The end point of the transition (ρ_2) and *B* are determined analytically from the condition of $P = P_1$, $\mu = \mu_1$, and $\alpha_s = 0$ or 0.25 for the quark phase: ρ_2 and/or $B(\rho_1, P_1, \mu_1, \alpha_s)$. Thus, we obtain ρ_2 , *B*, and μ_b for two parameters of *K* and Γ as shown in Table I. The bag constants used in this paper are consistent with the values used to investigate the structure of hybrid and quark stars [44,45].

While we get a reasonable value of $\mu_b \sim 950$ MeV, ρ_1 and ρ_2 are rather low compared to the suggestion from the QCD theory based on the lattice QCD calculations. It is predicted that the transition occurs at $\mu_b \ge 1000$ MeV and $\rho_2 \ge 10^{15}$ g cm⁻³ corresponding to the density of a neutron star [46]. We note that the pressure is not constant during the phase transition, since the electron and the photon pressures are included.

C. Initial models

We adopt the presupernova (PSN) model of 13 M_{\odot} , which has the iron core (Fe-core) of $1.2M_{\odot}$ [47,48], in most models. The calculational area extends to 4000 km from the center with the mass of $1.4M_{\odot}$ included. Figure 1 shows the difference of the pressure between the original PSN model and ours whose EOS is described in Sec. II B. We can see that our EOS is phenomenological but consistent with the original one. We note that since the the phenomenorogical EOS by Ref. [41] (YS EOS) adopts the adiabatic index $\Gamma = 4/3$, the pressure decreases 3 the center) after changing the EOS to that of Ref. [41]. This decrease promotes the collapse in some degree. To examine the mass dependence of PSN models, we adopt an another PSN model whose mass is $40M_{\odot}$ with the Fecore of $1.9M_{\odot}$ [47,48]. In this model, the calculational area of 4000 km corresponds to $2.4M_{\odot}$.

Since the effects of the magnetic field and the angular momentum distribution on the PSN star are uncertain [49], we make precollapse models from the nonrotating progenitor model by adding the angular momentum and the magnetic field according to the following prescription. For the initial angular velocity distribution, we adopt the *shell-type* rotational law [49]:

$$\Omega(r) = \Omega_0 \times \frac{R_0^2}{r^2 + R_0^2},$$

where $\Omega(r)$ is the angular velocity and *r* is the radius. Both Ω_0 and R_0 are model constants that prescribe the rotational law. We regard the models with $R_0 = 10^3$ km as uniformly rotating PSNs, since the radius of Fe-core is $\sim 10^3$ km. In most initial models, the initial magnetic field is assumed to be constant, B_0 , which is poloidal and parallel to the rotational axis in the computational domain. For the only two models in Table II, we assume that the initial magnetic field is purely toroidal

$$B_{\phi}(r) = B_0 \times \frac{R_0^2}{r^2 + R_0^2}$$



FIG. 1 (color online). The difference of pressure between the original presupernova (PSN) model [47,48] and ours (Our PSN), where the region of $1.4M_{\odot}$ from the center is shown.

TABLE II. Model parameters. This table is divided into three groups: spherical (S- models), uniform rotation (u, 40u, U- models) and differential rotation groups (d, R, 40d, B, D- models). Note that the models with second capitals of "B" or "M" correspond to those without or with phase transition, respectively.

Model	α_s	$\rho_1 \ (10^{14} \ \mathrm{g cm^{-3}})$	K (MeV)	Г	R_0 (km)	$T/ W _{\rm ini}~(\%)$	$E_m/ W _{\rm ini}$ (%)	$\Omega_0 (s^{-1})$	B_0 (G)
S-Bm	•••	5	220	3				•••	•••
S-Mm	0	5	220	3	• • •			•••	•••
u-Bh		5	375	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Mh	0	5	375	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Bm	• • •	5	220	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Mma	0.25	5	220	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Mm6	0	6	220	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Mm	0	5	220	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Bs	• • •	5	220	2.5	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
u-Ms	0	5	220	2.5	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.3	$6.7 imes 10^{10}$
40u-Bm		5	220	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.1	$9.2 imes 10^{10}$
40u-Mm	0	5	220	3	10 ³	0.1	10^{-3}	2.1	$9.2 imes 10^{10}$
U-Bm···	-	5	220	3	10 ³	0.5	10^{-1}	5.3	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$
U-Mm	0	5	220	3	10 ³	0.5	10^{-1}	5.3	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$
d-Bm	•••	5	220	3	10 ²	0.5	10^{-1}	58.8	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$
d-Mma	0.25	5	220	3	10^{2}	0.5	10^{-1}	58.8	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$
d-Mm	0	5	220	3	10^{2}	0.5	10^{-1}	58.8	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$
R-Bm		5	220	3	10^{2}	0.5		58.8	
R-Mm	0	5	220	3	10^{2}	0.5	• • •	58.8	•••
40d-Bm	•••	5	220	3	10 ²	0.5	10^{-1}	79.4	9.2×10^{11}
40d-Mm	0	5	220	3	10^{2}	0.5	10^{-1}	79.4	9.2×10^{11}
B-Bm ^a	•••	5	220	3	10 ²	0.5	10^{-1}	58.8	1.3×10^{14}
B-Mm	0	5	220	3	10 ²	0.5	10^{-1}	58.8	1.3×10^{14}
D-Bm	•••	5	220	3	50	0.5	10^{-1}	183.9	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$
D-Mm	0	5	220	3	50	0.5	10^{-1}	183.9	$6.7 imes 10^{11}$

^aFor two models of B-Bm and B-Mm, the shell-type distribution of the magnetic field $B_{\phi} = B_0 \times R_0^2/(r^2 + R_0^2)$ is assumed.

where $B_{\phi}(r)$ is toroidal component of the magnetic fields and B_0 is a constant. The dominance of the toroidal fields to the poloidal ones is predicted by the recent stellar evolution calculation [16,49–51]. As is discussed in Sec. III, effects of the magnetic field distribution on the transition are found to be small.

We perform core-collapse simulations of 27 models given in Table II. The characters in the left hand side for each column indicate the initial condition concerning the magnetic fields and rotations: S (spherical model), u (weak uniform rotation and weak magnetic field), U (strong uniform rotation and strong magnetic field), R (strong differential rotation), d (strong differential rotation and strong magnetic filed), B (strong differential rotation and strong magnetic field of the *shell-type* law), D (very strong differential rotation and strong magnetic field). If there is "40" in the model name, it means that the mass of the PSN model is $40M_{\odot}$. The characters after the hyphen indicate the adopted EOSs. The inclusion of the QCD phase transition is indicated by 'M': B (BCK without the phase transition), and M (MIT bag model with the phase transition). The right hand side characters mean the hardness for the EOSs in the baryon phase or the other EOS parameters connected with the phase transition. The hardness is expressed by the adiabatic index Γ and the incompressibility *K*: h (hard; $\Gamma = 3$, K = 375 MeV), m (medium; $\Gamma = 3$, K = 220 MeV), and s (soft; $\Gamma = 2.5$, K = 220 MeV). Both models u-Mma and d-Mma indicate that $\alpha = 0.25$. The model u-Mm6 means that the critical density in baryon phase is $\rho_1 = 6 \times 10^{14}$ g cm⁻³. We do not calculate the case which corresponds to the model d-Mm6, because the rotation of the core is so fast that the maximum density does not reach the critical density.

D. Gravitational wave formulae from the rotating magnetized stellar cores

To compute the gravitational waveforms from the rotating and magnetized stellar core, we follow the method of the quadrupole formula derived in [33]. We describe the gravitational wave amplitude (GWA) h_{ij} that is calculated by

$$h_{ij}^{\rm TT}(R) = \frac{2}{R} \frac{d^2}{dt^2} I_{ij}^{\rm TT}(t-R), \qquad (11)$$

where subscripts *i* and *j* take over *x*, *y*, and *z*. *t* is the proper time and *R* is the distance from the source to an observer, respectively. The superscript TT indicates the transverse traceless part of the metric. I_{ij}^{TT} is the reduced quadrupole moment, defined as

$$I_{ij}^{\mathrm{TT}} = \int \rho_* \left(x_i x_j - \frac{1}{3} x^2 \delta_{ij} \right) d^3 x,$$

where ρ_* is the total energy density including the contributions from the magnetic field,

$$\rho_* = \rho + \frac{B^2}{8\pi},\tag{12}$$

with the matter density ρ . The amplitude (11) is transformed to the spherical coordinate as

$$h^{\rm TT} = h_{\theta\theta}^{\rm TT} = \frac{1}{8} \left(\frac{15}{\pi}\right)^{1/2} \sin^2 \alpha \, \frac{A_{20}^{E2}}{R},\tag{13}$$

where α is the angle between the symmetry axis of the source and the direction to the observer, and A_{20}^{E2} is the second derivative of the radiative quadrupole M_{20}^{E2} ,

$$A_{20}^{E2} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} M_{20}^{E2}.$$
 (14)

This A_{20}^{E2} consists of the following two terms:

$$A_{20}^{E2} \equiv A_{20,\text{quad}}^{E2} + A_{20,\text{Mag}}^{E2}.$$
 (15)

Here, $A_{20,quad}^{E2}$ is the contribution from the matter. The magnetic component in Eq. (15) is decomposed into two terms as,

$$A_{20,\text{Mag}}^{E2} = A_{20,j \times B}^{E2} + A_{20,\rho_m}^{E2}, \qquad (16)$$

where $A_{20,j\times B}^{E2}$ is the contribution from the $j \times B$ part and A_{20,ρ_m}^{E2} is that from the time derivatives of the energy

TABLE III. Physical quantities for the models with and without the phase transition. t_b , t_{fin} and ρ_{max} are the bounce time, the final time of the calculation, and the maximum density. $T/|W|_{\text{fin}}$ and $E_m/|W|_{\text{fin}}$ are the final values of T/|W| and $E_m/|W|$, respectively. $|h^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ is the maximum GWA, and $\Delta |h^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ is defined by Eq. (18). Note that models with second capitals of B, M corresponds to without and with phase transition, respectively. f_{1st} is the first peak frequency in the Fourier transformation of GWA.

Model	t_b (ms)	$t_{\rm fin}~({\rm ms})$	$\rho_{\rm max} \ (1014 \ {\rm g/cm^3})$	$T/ W _{\mathrm{fin}}$ (%)	$E_m/ W _{\text{fin}}$ (%)	$ h^{\rm TT} _{\rm max} \ (10^{-20})$	$\Delta h^{\mathrm{TT}} _{\mathrm{max}}$ (%)	$f_{1st.}$ (Hz)
S-Bm	75.5	126	6.95					
S-Mm	75.5	146	8.84					•••
u-Bh	76.3	82.6	5.37	1.24	2.12×10^{-3}	0.28		727
u-Mh	76.3	82.7	6.72	1.24	2.05×10^{-3}	0.29	+3.6	748
u-Bm	76.2	82.7	6.90	1.29	2.07×10^{-3}	0.31	• • •	652
u-Mma	76.3	87.2	7.19	1.31	2.24×10^{-3}	0.32	+3.2	652
u-Mm6	76.2	83.4	8.05	1.27	2.24×10^{-3}	0.33	+6.4	838
u-Mm	76.3	87.0	8.60	1.33	4.27×10^{-3}	0.34	+9.6	875
u-Bs	76.3	83.3	8.12	1.29	2.25×10^{-3}	0.34		587
u-Ms	76.2	86.6	8.79	1.36	3.28×10^{-3}	0.38	+11.8	931
40u-Bm	70.6	76.1	7.02	1.29	4.15×10^{-2}	0.26		635(889)
40u-Mm	70.7	79.4	8.64	1.39	5.42×10^{-2}	0.28	+7.6	762
U-Bm	79.3	86.0	6.35	5.05	5.32×10^{-2}	1.25		859
U-Mm	79.4	93.2	8.03	4.97	$8.25 imes 10^{-2}$	1.27	+1.6	872
d-Bm	83.8	90.9	5.64	9.41	1.16×10^{-1}	3.03		792
d-Mma	83.8	91.0	6.27	9.52	$1.15 imes 10^{-1}$	2.79	-7.9	743
d-Mm	83.8	91.0	7.31	9.40	1.14×10^{-1}	2.72	-10.2	659
R-Bm	83.8	90.9	5.67	9.53		3.03		791
R-Mm	83.8	91.0	7.40	9.51		2.71	-10.6	658
40d-Bm	84.1	89.9	5.81	12.8	$1.33 imes 10^{-1}$	2.98		562
40d-Mm	84.3	90.1	7.50	12.3	1.40×10^{-1}	2.72	-8.7	494
B-Bm	84.1	91.0	5.57	9.51	1.61×10^{-1}	2.96		668
B-Mm	84.2	91.2	7.29	9.49	1.62×10^{-1}	2.69	-9.1	668
D-Bm	83.9	90.9	5.21	8.33	1.59×10^{-1}	3.02		814
D-Mm	83.9	91.1	7.32	8.36	1.47×10^{-1}	2.74	-9.3	780

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density of the electromagnetic field. In consequence, Eq. (13) is composed of the following three terms:

$$h^{\mathrm{TT}} = h^{\mathrm{TT}}_{\mathrm{quad}} + h^{\mathrm{TT}}_{\boldsymbol{i} \times \mathbf{B}} + h^{\mathrm{TT}}_{\boldsymbol{\rho}_{m}}, \qquad (17)$$

(see Ref. [33] for details). In the following, we assume that the distance from the observer (*R*) is 10 kpc in the direction of the equator ($\alpha = \pi/2$).

III. NUMERICAL RESULTS

We summarize the physical quantities obtained from the numerical simulations in Table III. As a guide to see the effects of the phase transition on the maximum amplitudes, we prepare the following quantity,

$$\Delta |h^{\rm TT}|_{\rm max} = \frac{|h_M^{\rm TT}|_{\rm max} - |h_B^{\rm TT}|_{\rm max}}{|h_B^{\rm TT}|_{\rm max}},$$
(18)



FIG. 2 (color online). GWAs as a function of time in u-Mh and u-Bh models (left) and the corresponding Fourier transformations (right).



FIG. 3 (color online). Same as Fig. 2 but for u-Mm and u-Bm.



FIG. 4 (color online). Same as Fig. 2 but for u-Ms and u-Bs.

where $|h_M^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ and $|h_B^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ are the absolute value of gravitational wave amplitudes (GWAs) with and without the phase transition, respectively.

From the table, we can see that the phase transition makes the maximum GWAs larger by a few up to ~ 10 percents for the uniformly rotating models. On the other hand, the phase transition lowers the maximum GWAs for the differentially rotating models. We explain these features in the following subsections. Furthermore, we perform the Fourier transformations for all models to show more comprehensive and systematic analysis of the gravitational waveforms.

A. Effects of the phase transition and rotation

We will first show the effects of the phase transition on GWA for the uniformly rotating models. We find that GWAs are larger from a few percents to about ten percents by considering the phase transition for all uniformly rotating models as seen in Table III and Figs. 2–4. As the initial rotational strength $T/|W|_{ini}$ increases, the maximum GWA, $|h^{TT}|_{max}$ becomes large. However the effect of the phase transition on the maximum GWA decreases as seen from $\Delta |h^{TT}|_{max}$ ($\Delta |h^{TT}|_{max} \sim 1\%$ for T/|W| = 0.5%). In the right panels of Figs. 2–4, we can see that the frequency region with the phase transition shifts to the higher one as a



FIG. 5. Maximum density and radiative quadrupole moment of the model u-Mh and u-Bh.



FIG. 6. Same as Fig. 5 but for u-Mm and u-Bm.



FIG. 7. Same as Fig. 5 but for u-Ms and u-Bs.

whole, because the increased density during the collapse tends to the higher frequency [35]. As for the effects of the equation of state, we find that the larger gravitational wave is radiated for the soft EOS, regardless of the phase transition. Comparing the models of hard, medium and soft EOS in Table III, we recognize that this tendency is independent on whether the softness originates from Γ or *K*.

To understand these results, we give an order-ofmagnitude estimation from the quadrupole formula [33,42]. The gravitational amplitude is proportional to the second time derivative of the radiative quadrupole (see Eqs. (13) and (14)). If the time scale is very short, the second time derivative in Eq. (14) could be replaced by the reciprocal of the square of the time. The typical dynamical time scale of the collapsing core is $t_{\rm dyn} \sim 1/\sqrt{G\rho}$. As the result, the amplitude is roughly proportional to the core density ρ_c multiplied by the radiative quadrupole moment

$$h^{\rm TT} \propto \rho_c M_{20}^{E2}.$$
 (19)

The left sides of Figs. 5-7 show the time dependence of the maximum density. The maximum density of the model with the phase transition (for example the model of u-

Mm) is always larger than that without the transition (for example the model of u-Bm). In the figures of ρ_{max} and their corresponding GWA figures, there are high frequency spikes. However, these are numerically ones, because quark matter areas (~ 10 km) are much smaller than overall calculational areas (about Fe-core size). More fine tuned calculations with many meshes will delete such spikes. The absolute values of M_{20}^{E2} are almost the same around the peak, if the initial rotational strengths are the same (see the right panels of Figs. 5-7). Since the transition causes the increase in the density being similar to the effect of soft EOS, we get larger amplitudes. $|h^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ in u-Ms increases by 10% compared to u-Bs as seen in Table III. On the contrary, we find that the effect of the phase transition becomes small if the rotational strength becomes as large as $T/|W|_{\text{fin}} \simeq 5\%$, which leads to the suppression of the contraction due to the strong centrifugal forces (compare $\rho_{\rm max}$ of u-Mm with that of U-Mm in Table III).

For the Fourier transformations, the ranges of frequencies are distributed in 500–2000 Hz for all models. Clear peaks are not found compared to the case in Ref. [35]. While we adopt realistic PSN models as initial models, they use polytropic models of equilibrium neutron stars. If QCD phase transition is considered, both the soft EOS



FIG. 8 (color online). Same as Fig. 2 but for models of 40u-Mm and 40u-Bm.



FIG. 9 (color online). Same as Fig. 2 but for the models of u-Mm and u-Mma.

model (Fig. 4) and slowly rotating model (Fig. 3) result in the shift to the high frequency sides in proportion to the increased density during the collapse (see $f_{1st.}$ of the models with/without the transition in Table III).

To check the effects on GWA due to the difference of PSN models, we calculate the collapse of $40M_{\odot}$ models. The result is given in Table III (compare the model 40u-Mm with u-Mm, or 40d-Mm with d-Mm). We see the difference of the maximum density at the bounce, which is ascribed to the size of the Fe-core. The slight differences of the maximum amplitudes (less than 10%) are found between the models with/without the phase transition. However, the difference of the PSN models dose not make a qualitative difference in both uniformly rotating and differentially rotating models. In the Fourier transformation, the overall frequencies for 40u-Mm shift to the higher region compared to the ones for 40u-Bm as seen in Fig. 8, although the first peak f_{1st} is not clear for 40u-Bm.

We change a value of coupling constant α_s . As the width of the density during the phase transition (coexistence area) becomes narrower for $\alpha_s \neq 0$, the difference of the amplitude by the presence of the phase transition should become small. In Table III, the value $|h^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ of u-Mma is between u-Mm and u-Bm. In the Fourier transformation, the change in f_{1st} is small, but the frequencies shift overall between those of u-Mm and u-Bm (see Table III and Fig. 9). In the differentially rotating model, GWA and the frequencies of d-Mma lie between those of d-Mm and d-Bm, too.

The difference of critical density (ρ_1) for the gravitational wave is shown in Table III. The higher critical density (u-Mm6) results in the narrower width of the density region during the transition. As a consequence, $|h^{\text{TT}}|_{\text{max}}$ and f_{1st} of u-Mm6 are between the corresponding values of u-Mm and u-Bm.

For the strong differential rotation, it is shown in Table III and Fig. 10 that the maximum amplitudes become smaller for the models with the phase transition (see $\Delta |h^{TT}|_{max}$ of the three models, from the bottom in Table III). To explain such aspects, we refer to the early

research [34]. Their results show that very fast rotation with soft EOS models tend to suppress the centrifugal force element of GWA. Here very fast rotation is not limited in differential rotation, but includes very fast uniform rotation whose T/|W| is one digit larger than our uniformly rotating models. Since our initial models are spherical models, we do not adopt such a large T/|W| for consistency with our initial models. Consequently, the strong differentially rotating models with the transition in our calculations are the same as very fast rotation with soft EOS, which lowers 1st peak of GWA for our differentially rotating models shown in Table III. Corresponding to these, their frequencies with the transition shift to low (see their Fourier transformation, Fig. 10 and f_{1st} s of Table III). The above estimate (19) is useful for the interpretation of the results. However it is found to be not applicable for strong differential rotation. This is because the differential rotation acts against a matter infall to the center by the phase transition due to the stronger centrifugal forces, but simultaneously leads to the stronger accretion to the center due to the smaller angular momentum in the rather outer regions. Because of this very subtle competition, we can only know from the numerical results that the differential rotation makes the amplitudes lower up to ~ 10 percents at the moment of the phase transition as far as the parameters in the present calculations.

B. Effects of the phase transition and magnetic fields

We focus on the models with the strongest magnetic fields ("B-" models in Table II) to clarify the effects of the magnetic field on the gravitational wave. First, we compare each component h_{quad}^{TT} , $h_{j\times B}^{TT}$ and $h_{\rho_m}^{TT}$ of h^{TT} in Eq. (17). Figure 11 shows the waveforms originated from the mass quadrupole moment, $j \times B$ part, and the time derivative of the magnetic energy density ρ_m . The most definitive component to GWA is the one originated from the mass quadrupole moment h_{quad}^{TT} .

To see the influence of the magnetic field on the gravitational wave frequencies, we compare the zero magnetic field models (R-Bm, R-Mm) with strong magnetic field



FIG. 10 (color online). Same as Fig. 2 but for the models of R-Mm and R-Bm.



FIG. 11. Waveforms of the strong magnetized models, B-Mm and B-Bm. The top panel is one originated from the mass quadrupole moment, the next panel is from $j \times B$ part and the bottom is from the time derivatives of the magnetic energy density ρ_m . Note the scale differences of the vertical axis.

ones (B-Bm, B-Mm). It is understood from Fig. 10-12 that the influence of the magnetic field with the transition on the gravitational wave can be neglected. The corresponding maximum GWAs have almost the same values as shown in Table III.

The components of GWA for B-Bm and B-Mm are summarized in Table IV. It should be noted that the sign of each component at the bounce is different in the strong magnetic field models. As the result of cancellation between $h_{\text{quad}}^{\text{TT}}$ and $h_{j\times B}^{\text{TT}}$, the ratio of $|h_{j\times B}^{\text{TT}}/h_{\text{quad}}^{\text{TT}}|$ becomes



FIG. 12 (color online). Fourier transformation of waveforms for the strongly magnetized model B-Mm and unmagnetized model R-Mm, corresponding to GWAs of Fig. 10 and 11.

TABLE IV. Three components in Eq. (17). Note that the listed values correspond to the time when the values of $|h_{j\times B}^{TT}/h_{quad}^{TT}|_{max}$ is maximum. It means that the time is not same with the time of $|h^{TT}|_{max}$ in Table III. All amplitudes are given in units of 10^{-20} .

Model	$h_{\mathrm{quad}}^{\mathrm{TT}}$	$h_{j imes B}^{ ext{TT}}$	$h_{ ho_m}^{ m TT}$	$ h_{j \times B}^{\text{TT}}/h_{\text{quad}}^{\text{TT}} _{\text{max}}$ (%)
B-Bm	-3.06	1.99×10^{-1}	-3.24×10^{-9}	6.5
B-Mm	-2.80	2.16×10^{-1}	-3.61×10^{-9}	7.7

less than 8% regardless of the phase transition, which can be roughly estimated by the ratio of the magnetic to the matter energy density at bounce, namely,

$$\frac{B_c^2}{8\pi} \cdot \rho_c^{-1} \sim O(1) \% \left(\frac{B_c}{10^{17} \text{ G}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{\rho_c}{10^{14} \text{ g cm}^{-3}}\right)^{-1}.$$
 (20)

Kotake *et al.* (2004) [33] have found the same effect though they did not include the phase transition. In fact, we can see from Table III that GWAs of the model B-Bm (B-Mm) is smaller compared to other models R-Bm (R-Mm) due to this contribution from the magnetic fields.

At the moment of the phase transition, the magnetic fields in the central regions become larger due to the compression, because the magnetic fields are frozen into the matter. As a result, the contribution to the amplitudes from the magnetic fields become larger for the model with the transition, but the change is found to be as small as 1% (compare $|h_{j\times B}^{TT}/h_{quad}^{TT}|$ in Table IV.)

IV. CONCLUSION

We have performed two-dimensional axisymmetric, magnetohydrodynamic simulations for supernova cores accompanying the QCD phase transition. To elucidate the implications of a phase transition against a supernova, we investigated how the phase transition affects the gravita-

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tional waveforms near the epoch of core-bounce. As for the initial models, we changed parametrically the strength of the rotation and the magnetic fields. As for the microphysics, we adopted a phenomenological equation of state above the nuclear matter density, including two parameters to change the hardness of the matter before the transition. To treat the QCD phase transition, we employed an MIT bag model. Based on these computations, we showed that the phase transition can make the maximum amplitudes larger up to ~ 10 percents than the ones without the phase transition. On the other hand, we found that the phase transition makes the maximum amplitudes smaller up to ~ 10 percents, when the iron core rotates strongly differentially. It was confirmed that the strong magnetic fields themselves decrease the maximum amplitudes by less than 8% regardless of the transition. Even the extremely strong magnetic fields $\sim 10^{17}$ G in the protoneutron star do not affect the above features.

Finally, we give some discussions and speculations based on the obtained results. We assume rather low density for the onset of the phase transition in comparison with a recently predicted EOS by the lattice QCD computations [46]. Thus the results here could be some extreme cases predicted by the phenomenological MIT bag model, and the change in the amplitudes due to the transition could be interpreted as an upper bound.

Although the other initial PSN models may change our analysis to some extent, the qualitative results obtained here will not be different so much. This is because the structure of the iron core is similar, while the initial mass of the helium core increases with the progenitor masses [47,48]. For the PSN model of $40M_{\odot}$ that has the iron core of $1.9M_{\odot}$, we have found that GWA at the bounce is only about 3 percents larger than that of $13M_{\odot}$. Since we concentrate on the forms of the gravitational wave just after the bounce, the difference in the helium core mass should not be important at all.

If we could calculate the hydrodynamical evolution long after the core bounce especially in some failed corecollapse supernova models, we would observe the phasetransition of the protoneutron stars. We also think interesting to investigate the possible effects of colorsuperconductivity recently proposed [52]. As a next step, we are now going to investigate how the gravitational waves will be originated from such events in the context of magnetorotational core-collapse.

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