

# Dynamical Processes in the Galactic Center



# Journey to the Galactic Center







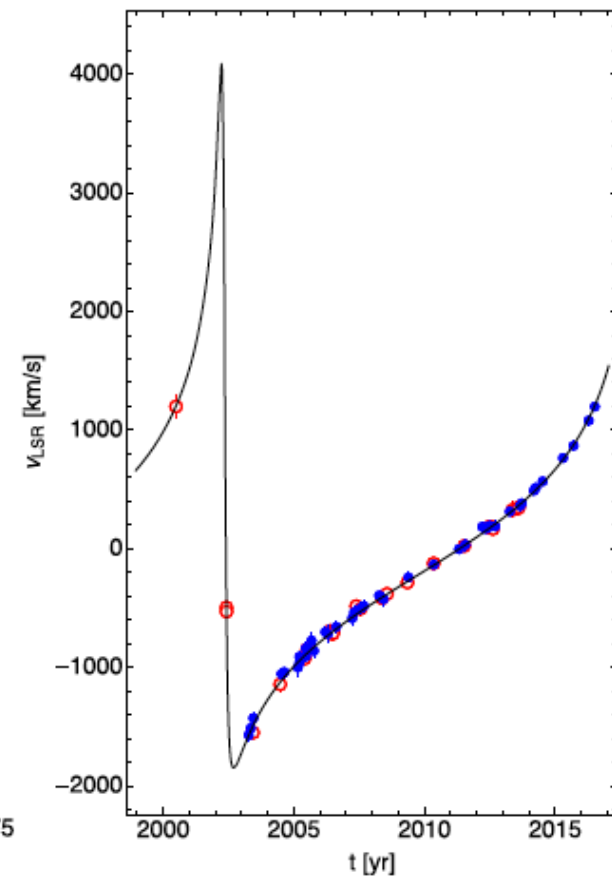
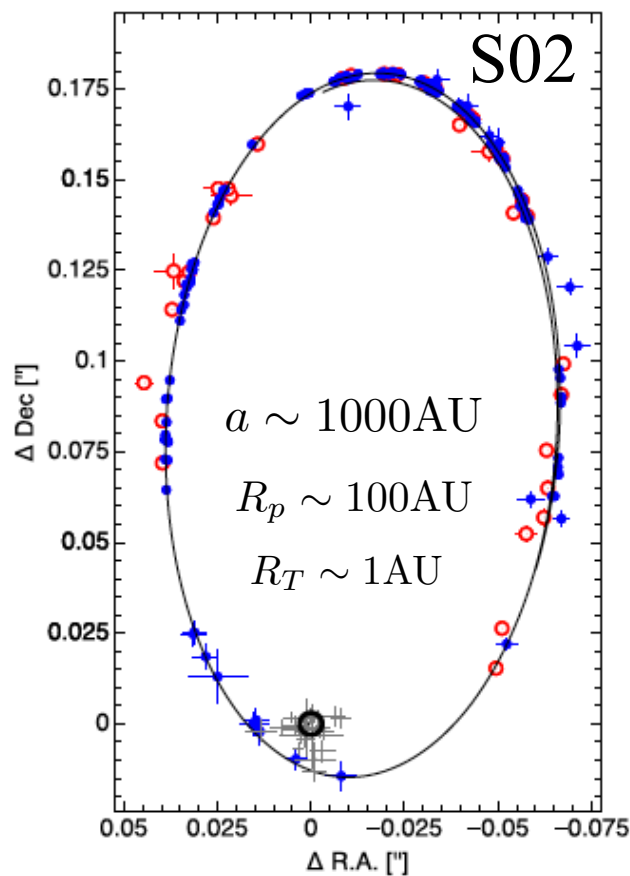
# Galactic Center Black Hole - Results

“Proof” for the existence of a black hole

Mass  $4.3 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$        $R_s \sim 0.1 \text{ AU}$

distance 27,000 ly

Future:  
precession ( $\sim 1$  years)  
BH spin ?

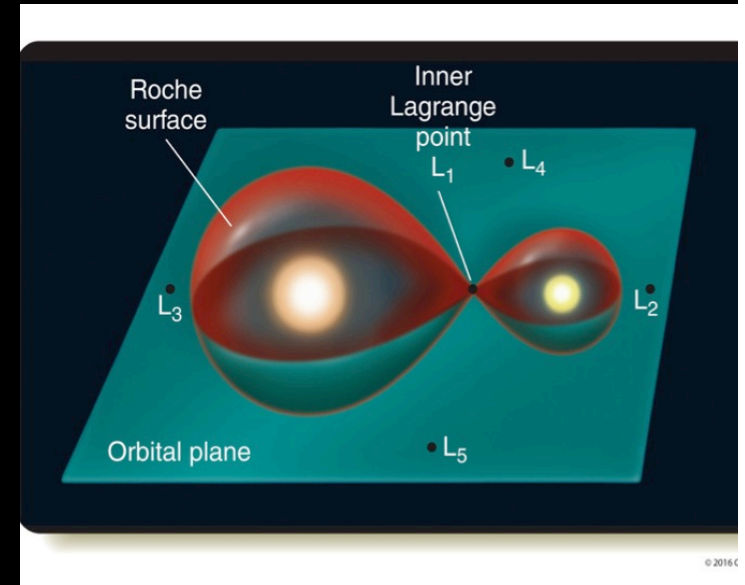


# 3 phenomena

- Mass transfer to the supermassive black hole.
  - extreme mass ratio inspiral EMRIs
- Tidal Disruption Events.
  - TDEs
- Breakup of binaries produces:
  - Hyper Velocity Stars
  - S- stars

Do they influence each other?

# Supermassive Black Holes



# Stable Mass Transfer

- Orbit Evolves:
  - Gravitational waves
  - (Tides)
- Mass transfer (L1)
- Radius of object changes

Orbit shrinks

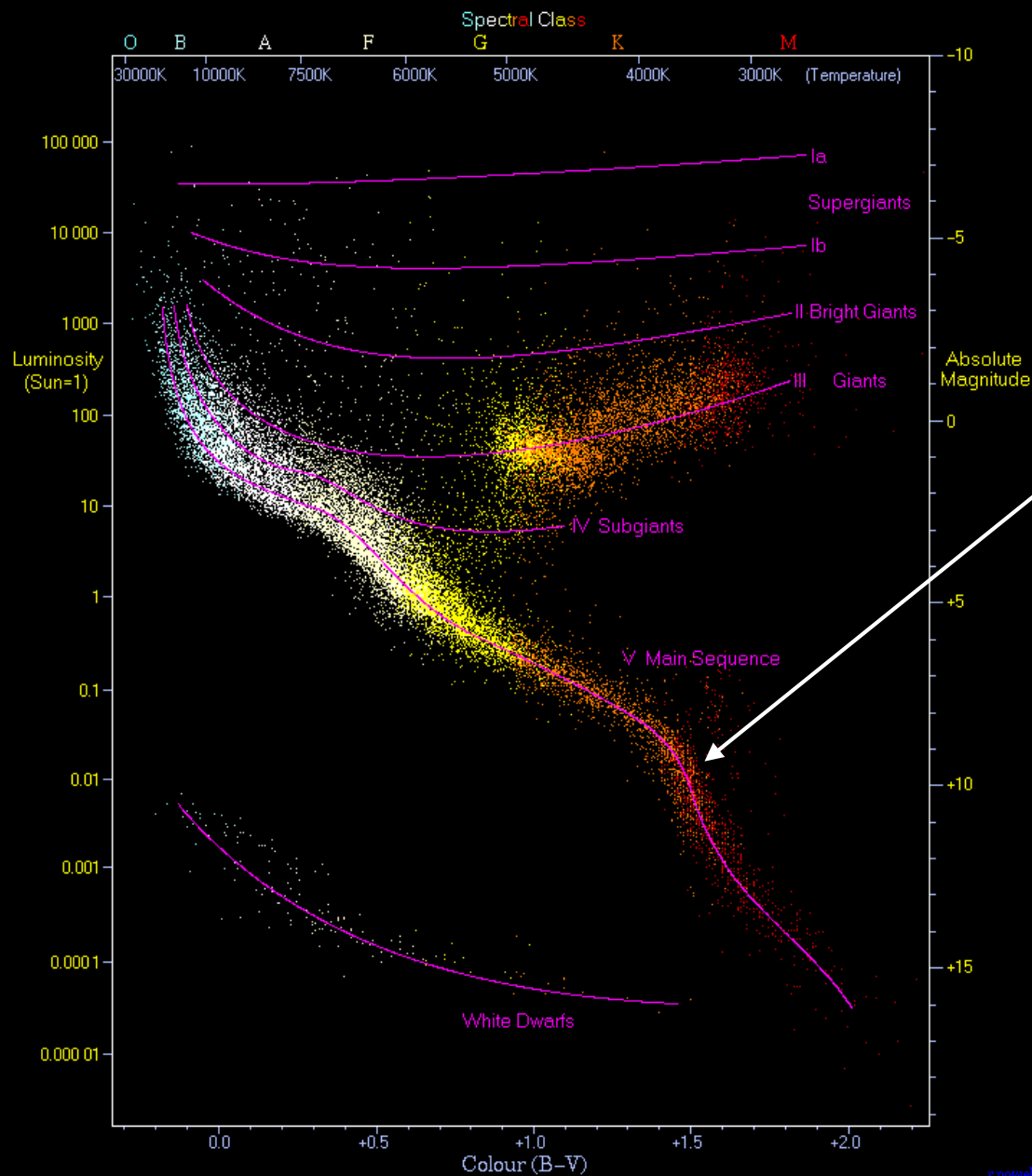
Orbit expands

Orbit evolves to keep Roche lobe just full

$$R \propto m^\epsilon$$

$$\epsilon > -5/3$$

# Mass-Radius for Stars



Main Sequence

$$R \propto M^{0.8}$$

- Hydrogen Burning

- Constant  $T \sim 10^7\text{K}$

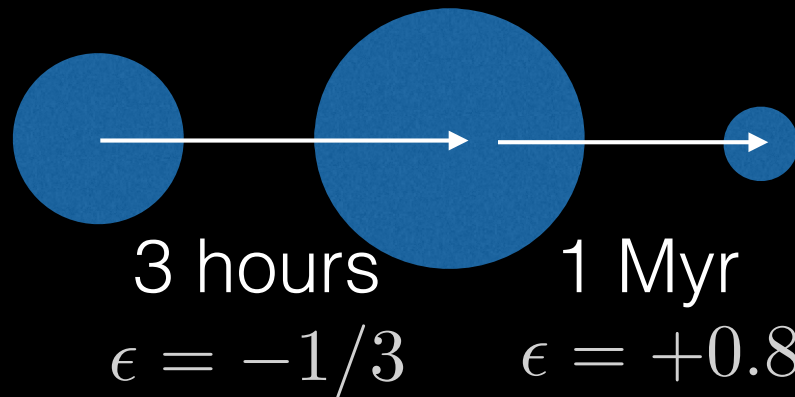
- $\frac{GM\mu}{R} \sim kT \rightarrow R \propto M$



# Adiabatic Changes

$$\frac{GM^2}{R^4} \sim P \propto (M/R^3)^{5/3}$$

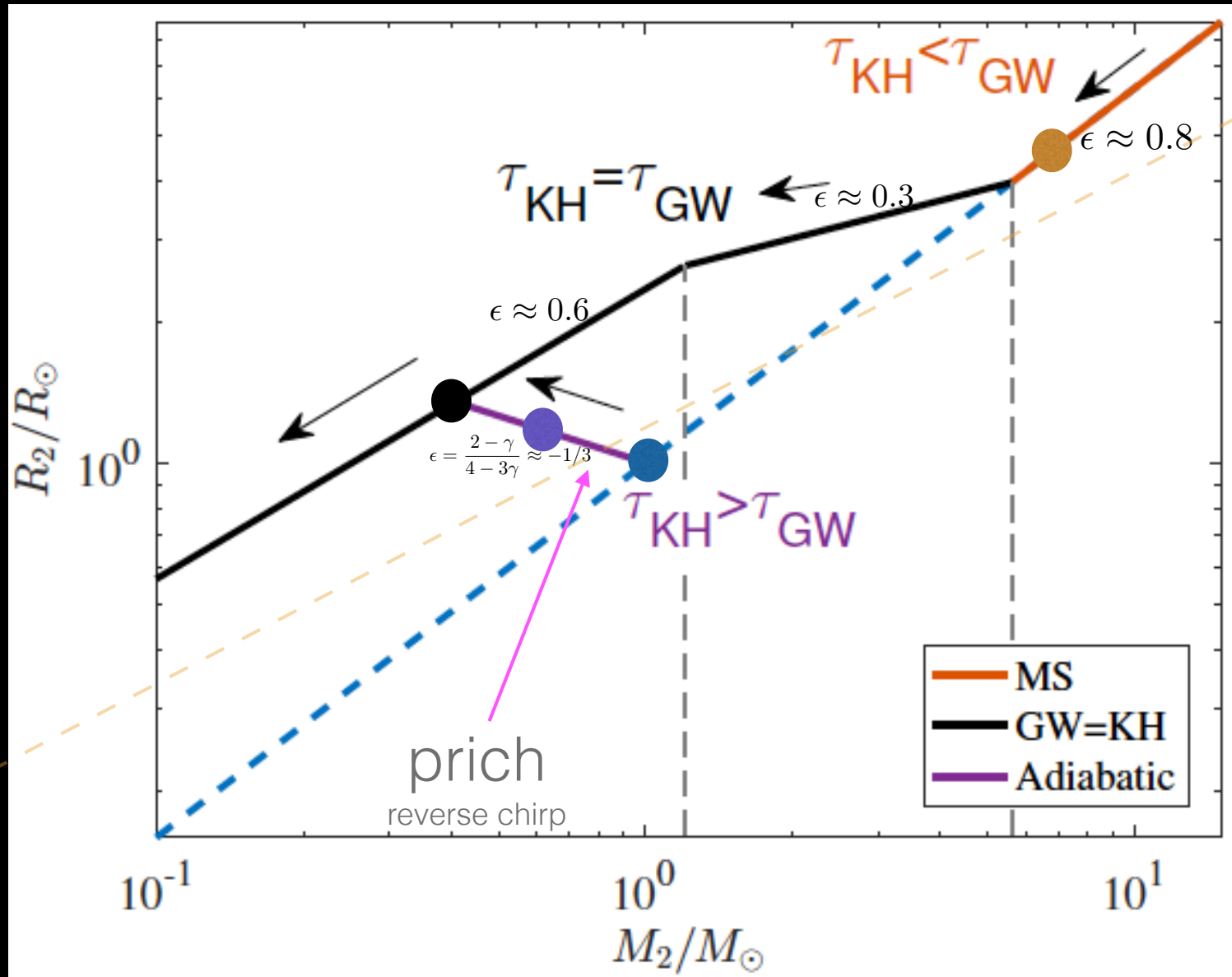
$$R \propto M^{-1/3}$$



# Evolution

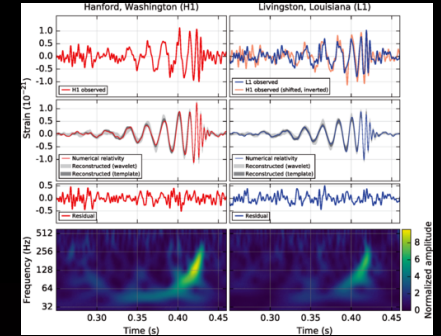
BH = Sgr A\*

$T_{gw}=0.5\text{Myr}$

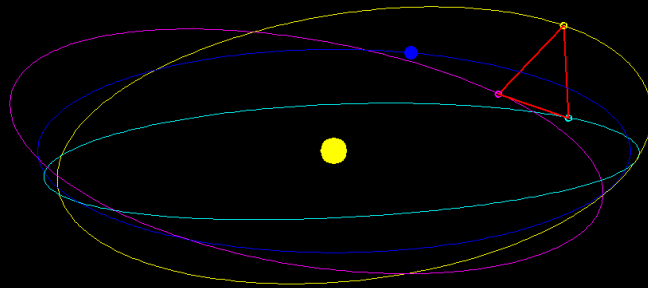


# Gravitational Waves

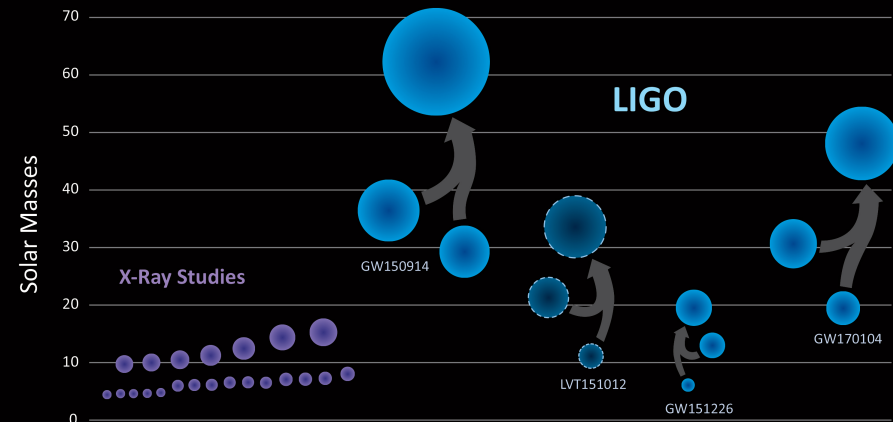
- Detectable with LISA (but >2030).



Black Holes of Known Mass



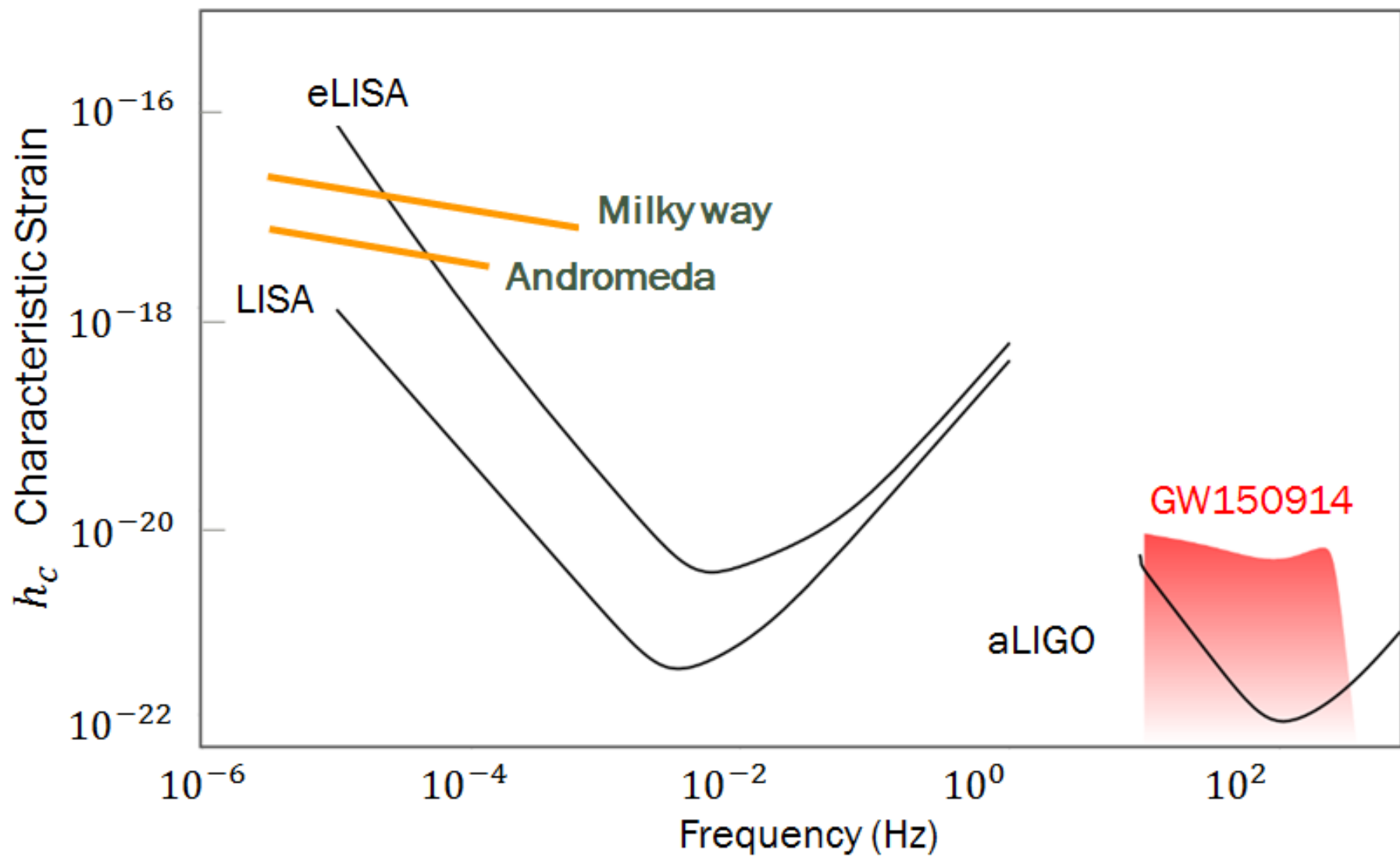
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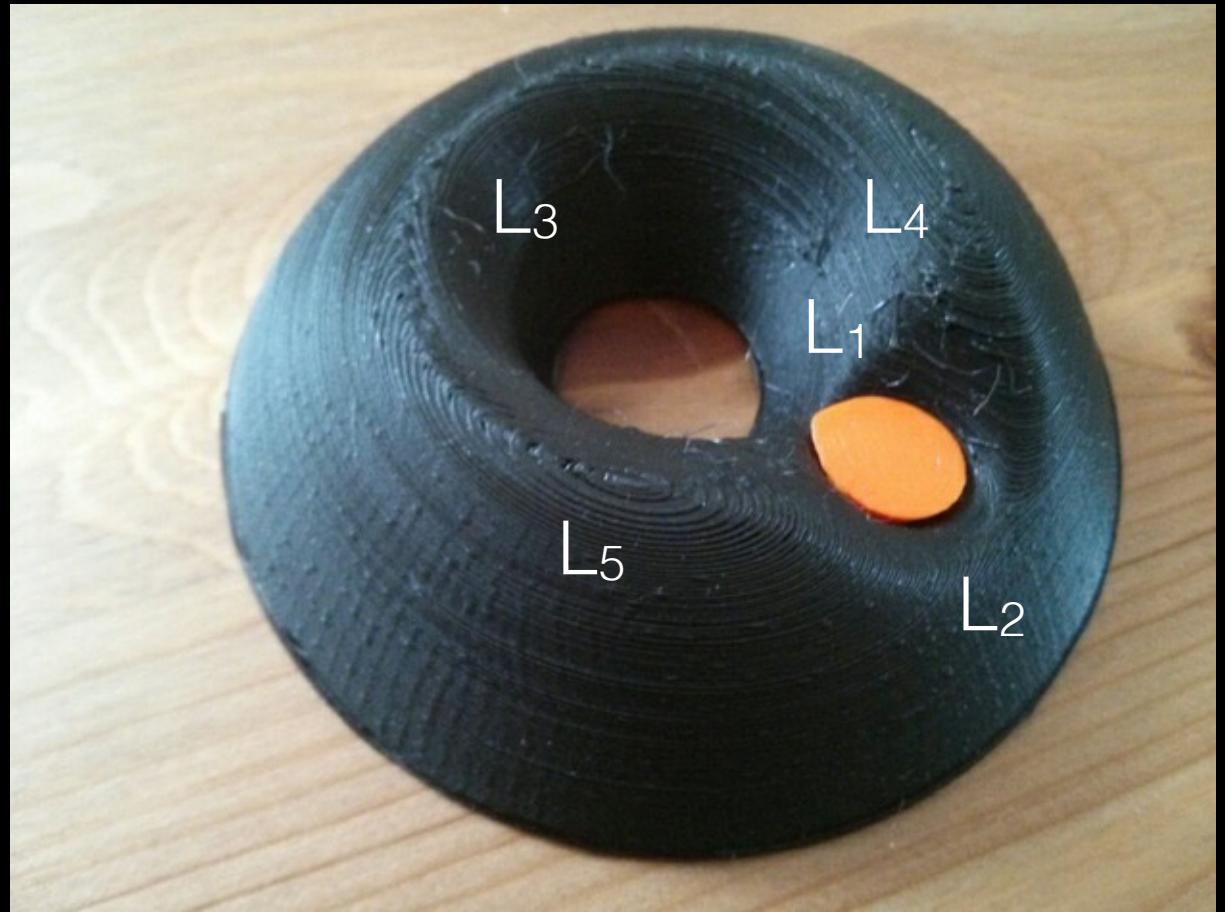
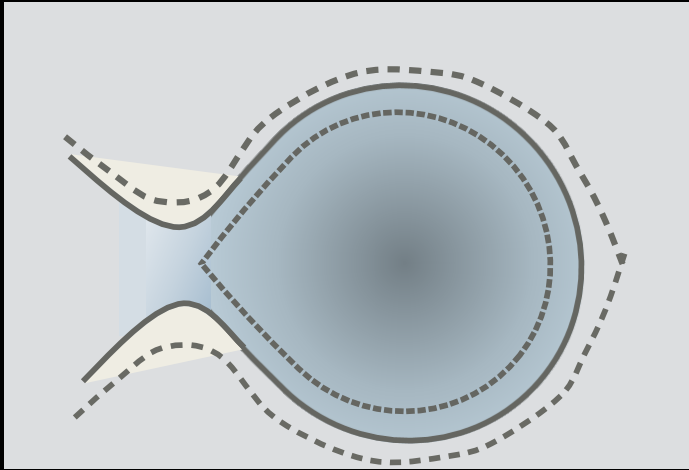
LISA

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# L1 Leakage

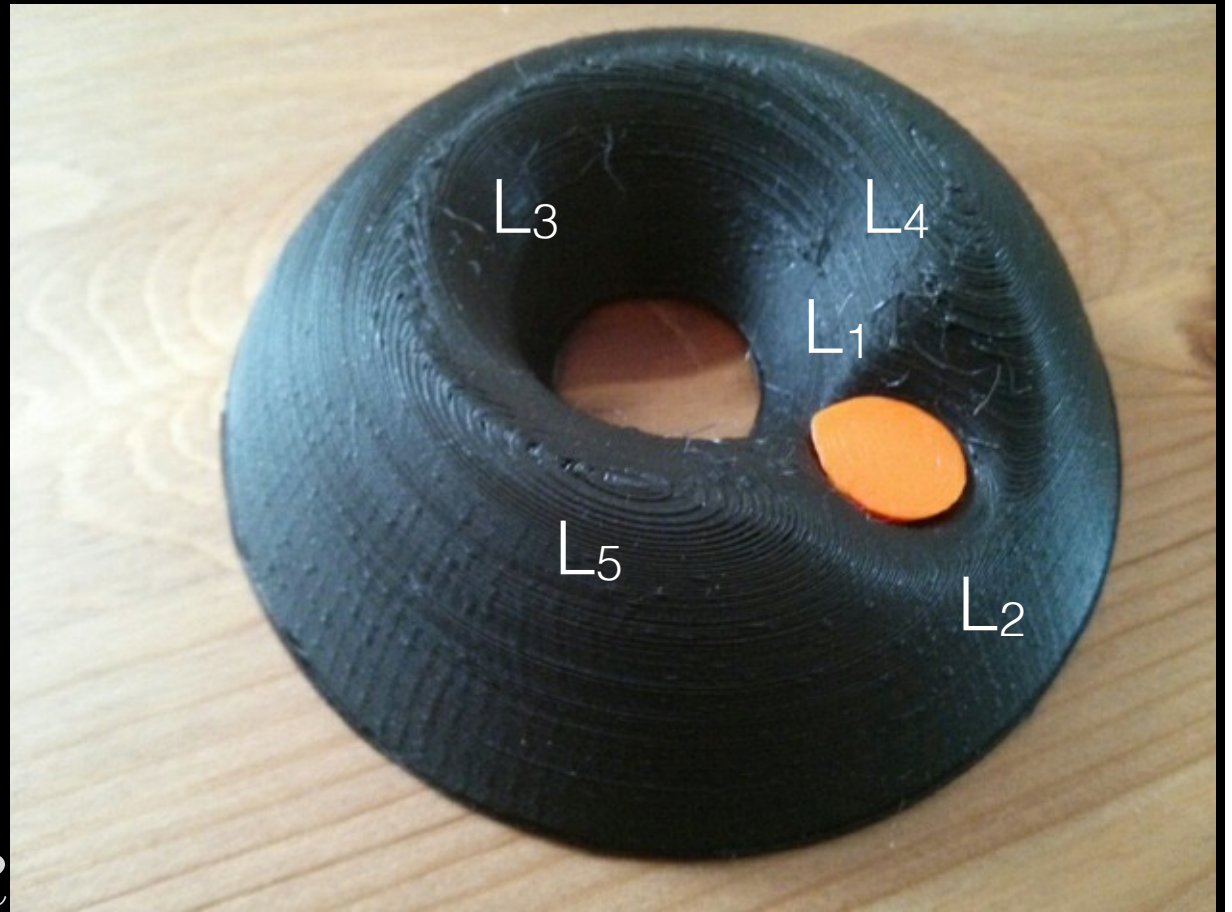
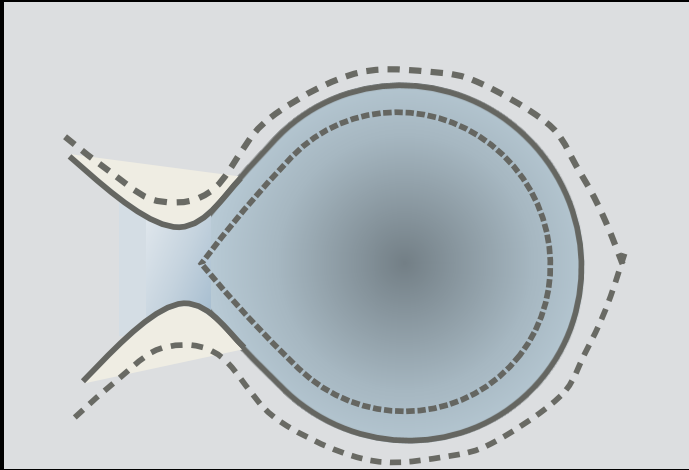


- Nozzle area  $R\delta$
- density  $\rho \propto \delta^n$
- velocity  $v \sim \sqrt{kT/\mu} \propto \delta^{1/2}$
- Mass flow  $\dot{M} \propto \delta^{n+3/2}$

$$\frac{\delta}{R} = \left( \frac{\tau_{dyn}}{\tau_{orbit}} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+3/2}}$$



# L<sub>2</sub> Leakage ?



- Mostly L<sub>1</sub>  $\dot{M} \propto \delta^{n+3/2}$
- L<sub>1</sub> and L<sub>2</sub> “distance”  
 $q^{1/3} R$
- L<sub>2</sub> leakage if

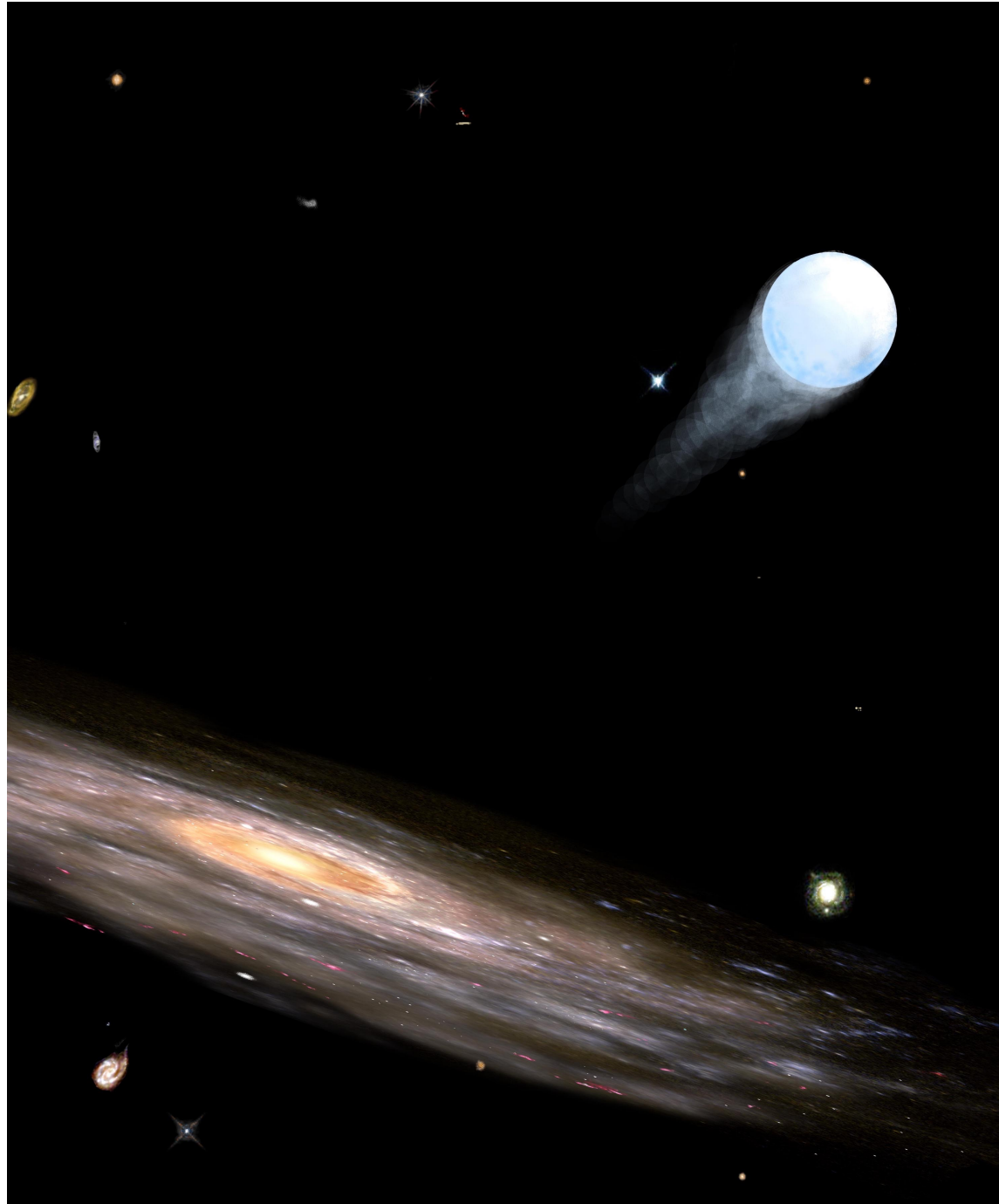
$$q < \left( \frac{\tau_{dyn}}{\tau_{orbit}} \right)^{\frac{3}{n+3/2}}$$

$$\beta^3 < q < \beta^{\frac{15}{n+7/2}}$$

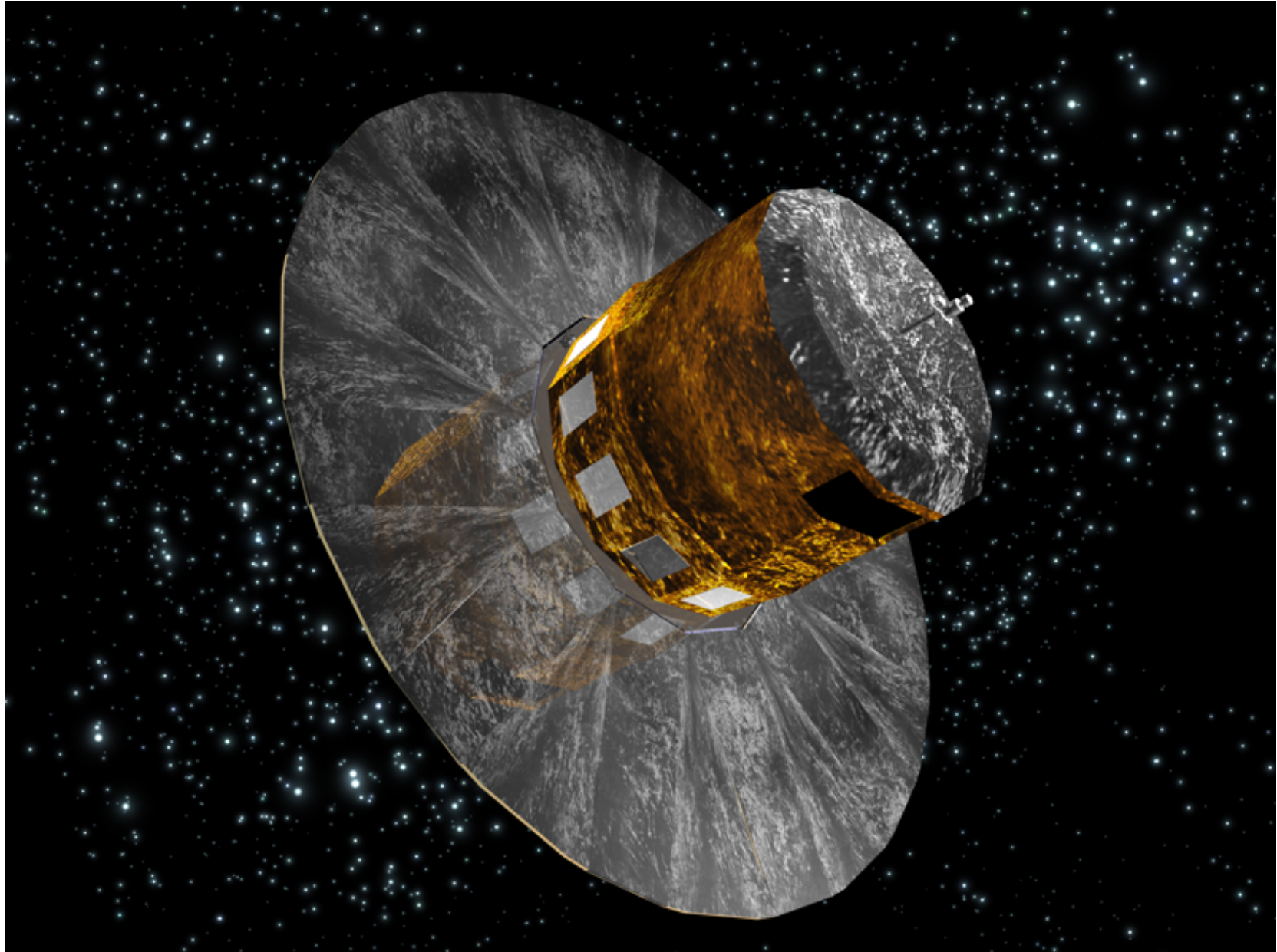
$$\beta = \frac{v_{esc}}{c}$$

$$n > 3/2$$

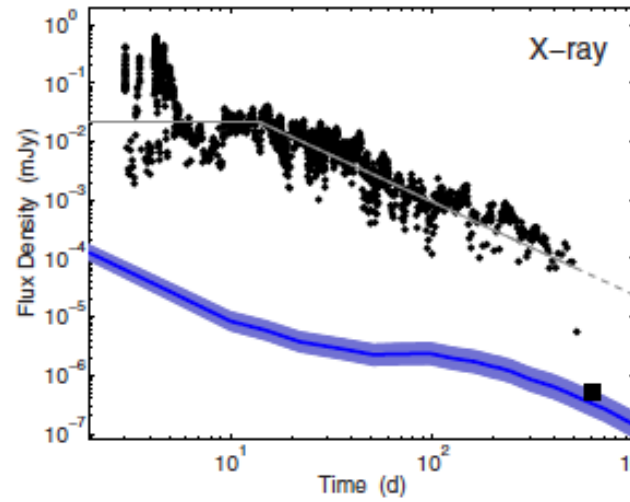
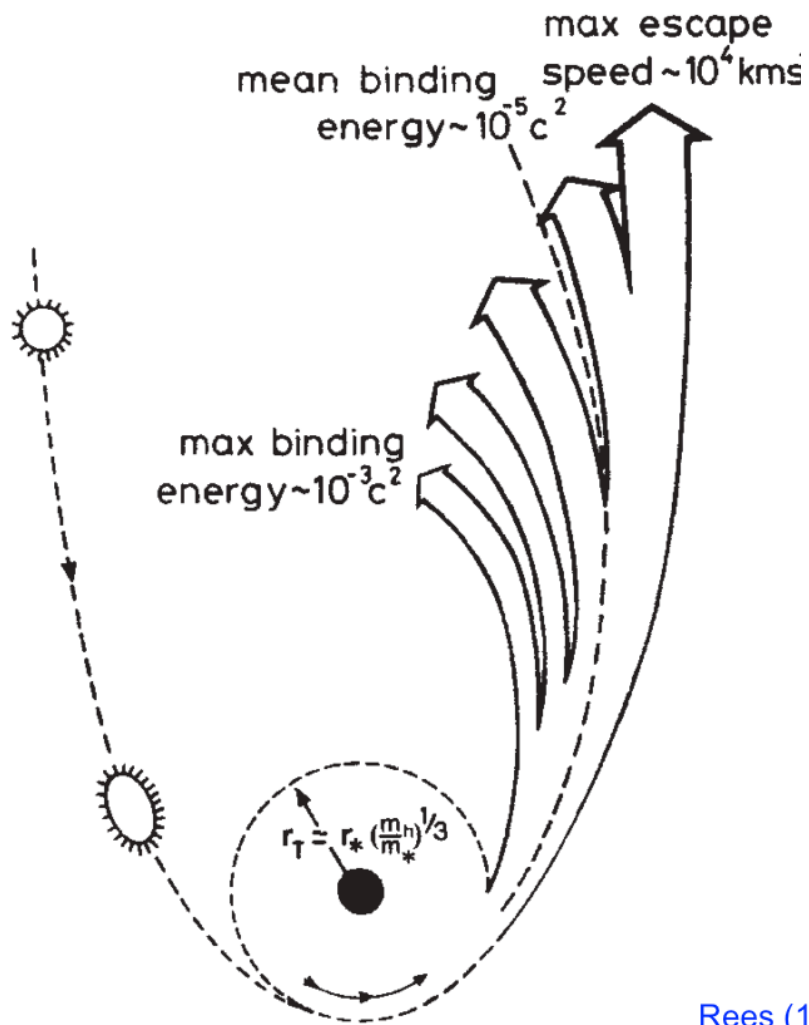
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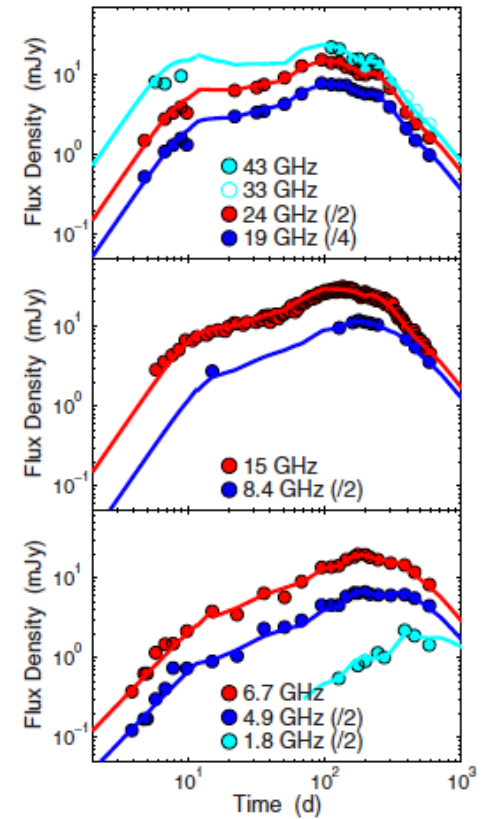
# GAIA and HyperVelocityStars



# Tidal Disruption of Stars - TDE



SWIFT J164449.3+573451.

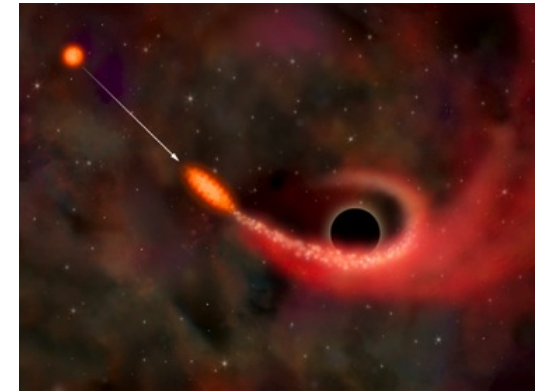


Rees (1988)



# Galactic Tidal Streams vs. TDEs

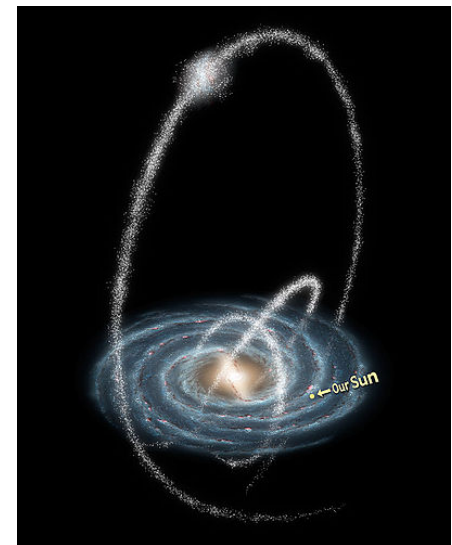
- Tidal streams  $dE/E \ll 1$
- Tidal Destruction Events  $dE \gg E$



$$dE \sim v_{esc} v_{orb,t} \sim \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{1/3} v_{esc}^2$$

$$E \sim v_{orb,t}^2 (a/r_t)^{-1} \sim \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{2/3} (a/r_t)^{-1} v_{esc}^2$$

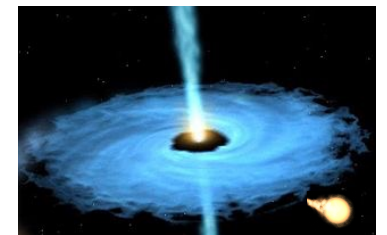
$$\frac{dE}{E} \sim \left(\frac{a}{r_t}\right) \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{-1/3}$$





# Dynamics of Stars @ Galactic Centers

- What sets the slope of the stellar cusp?
- What is the rate of Tidal Disruption Events?
  - how many deep penetrators?
  - what is the history before disruption?
- What is the rate of Extreme Mass Ratio Inspirals?
- Which events are more common?



$$\frac{\mathcal{R}_{\text{EMRIS}}}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{TDEs}}} = ?$$

# Setup

- BH embedded in a thermal bath of stars
- Some given velocity dispersion.
- Radius of influence of black hole:  $R_h$ 
  - orbital velocity equals velocity dispersion
  - mass of stars equals mass of black hole.
  - we focus on  $r < R_h$
- Simplifications:
  - All stars have the same mass
  - Ignore resonant relaxation
  - Spherical symmetry
  - Ignore finite stellar sizes: no collisions, no binary formation.

# Slopes

- Peebles: constant stellar flux

$$\rho \propto r^{-9/4}$$

$$\text{partical flux} \sim \rho(r)r^3 \times \rho \times \left(\frac{Gm}{v^2}\right)^2 \times v \propto \frac{\rho^2 r^3}{v^3} \propto \rho^2 r^{9/2}$$

- Bahcall-Wolf: constant energy flux

$$\text{Energy flux} \sim E(r)\rho(r)r^3 \times \rho \times \left(\frac{Gm}{v^2}\right)^2 \times v \propto \rho^2 r^{7/2}$$

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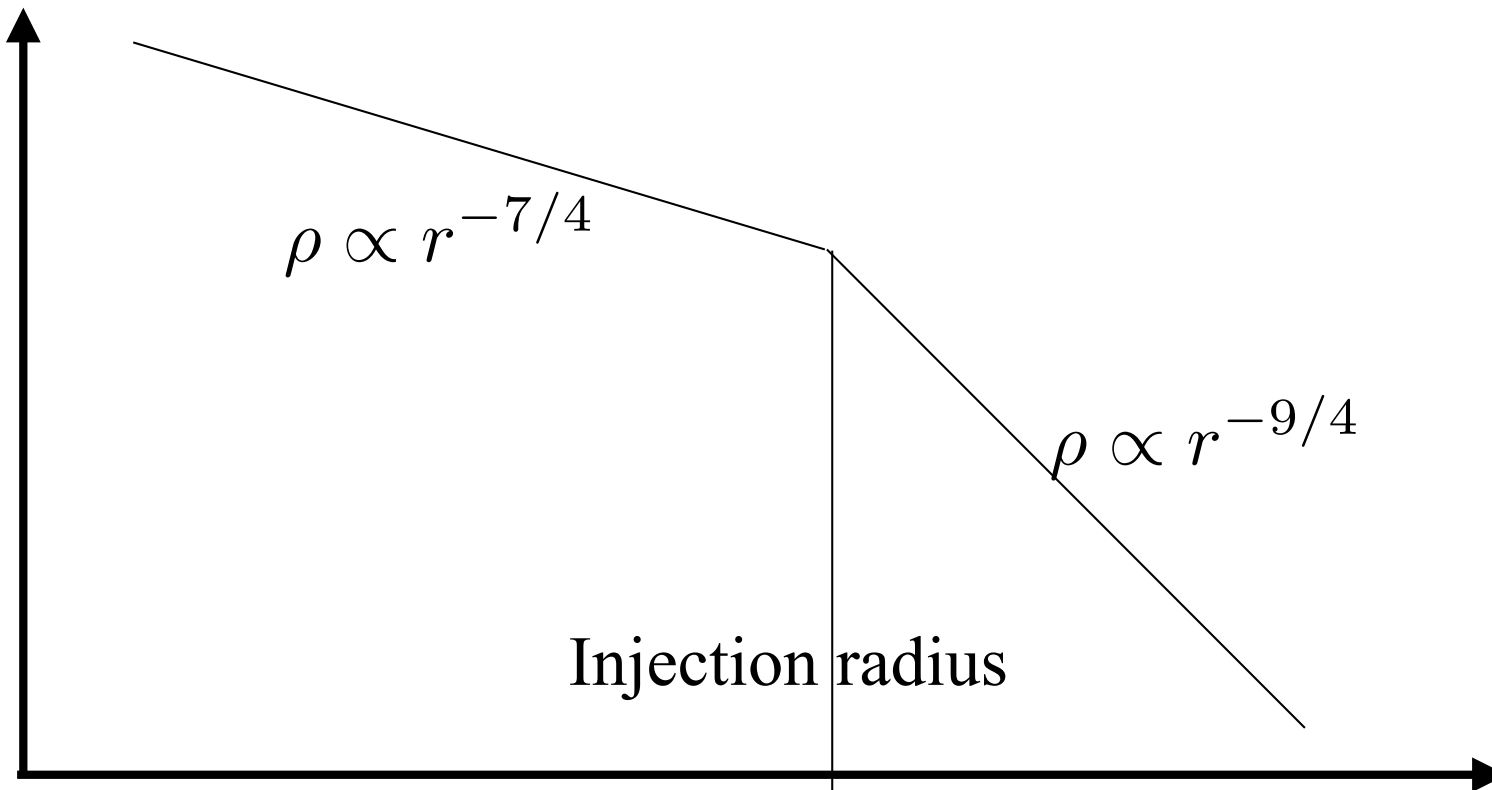
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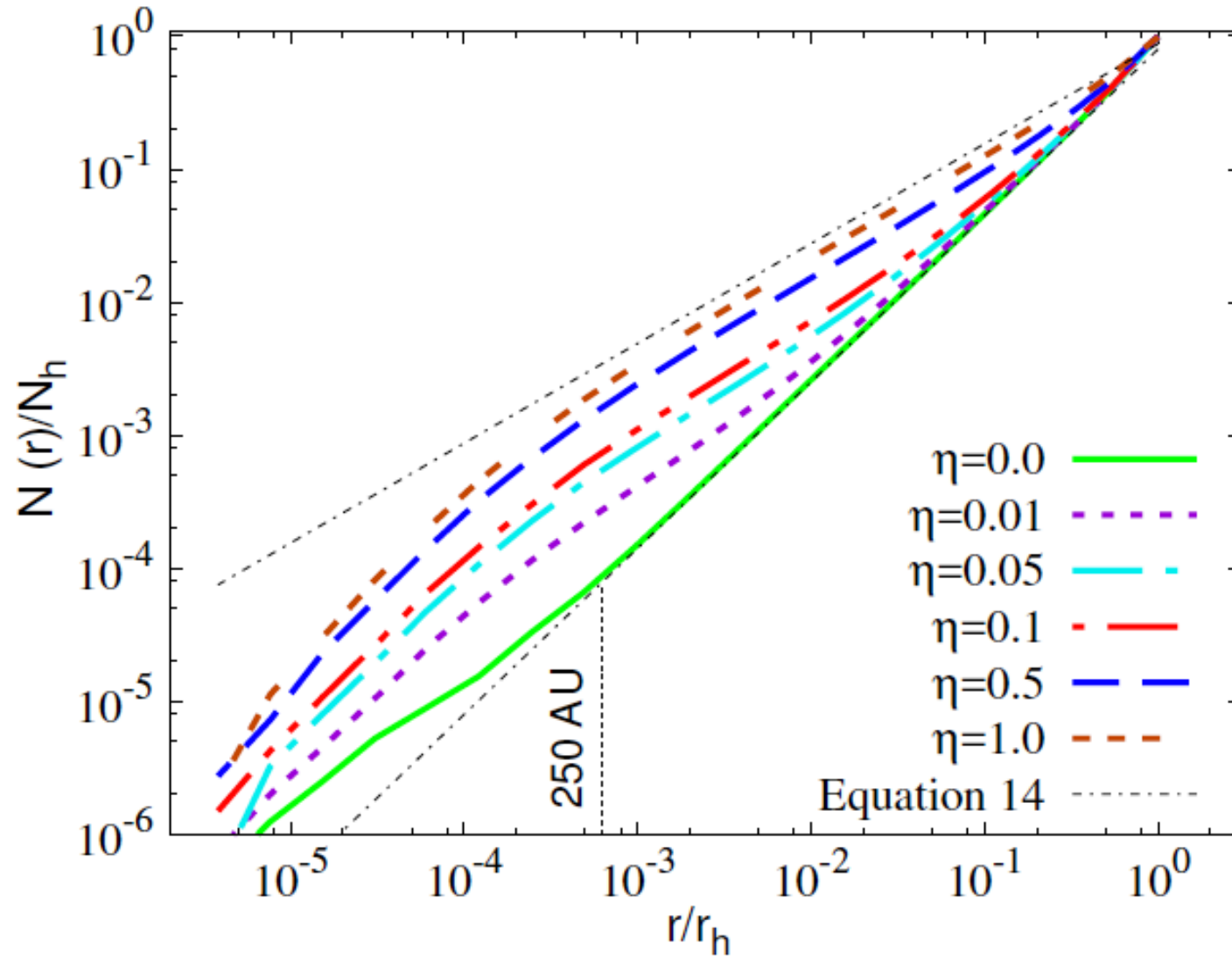
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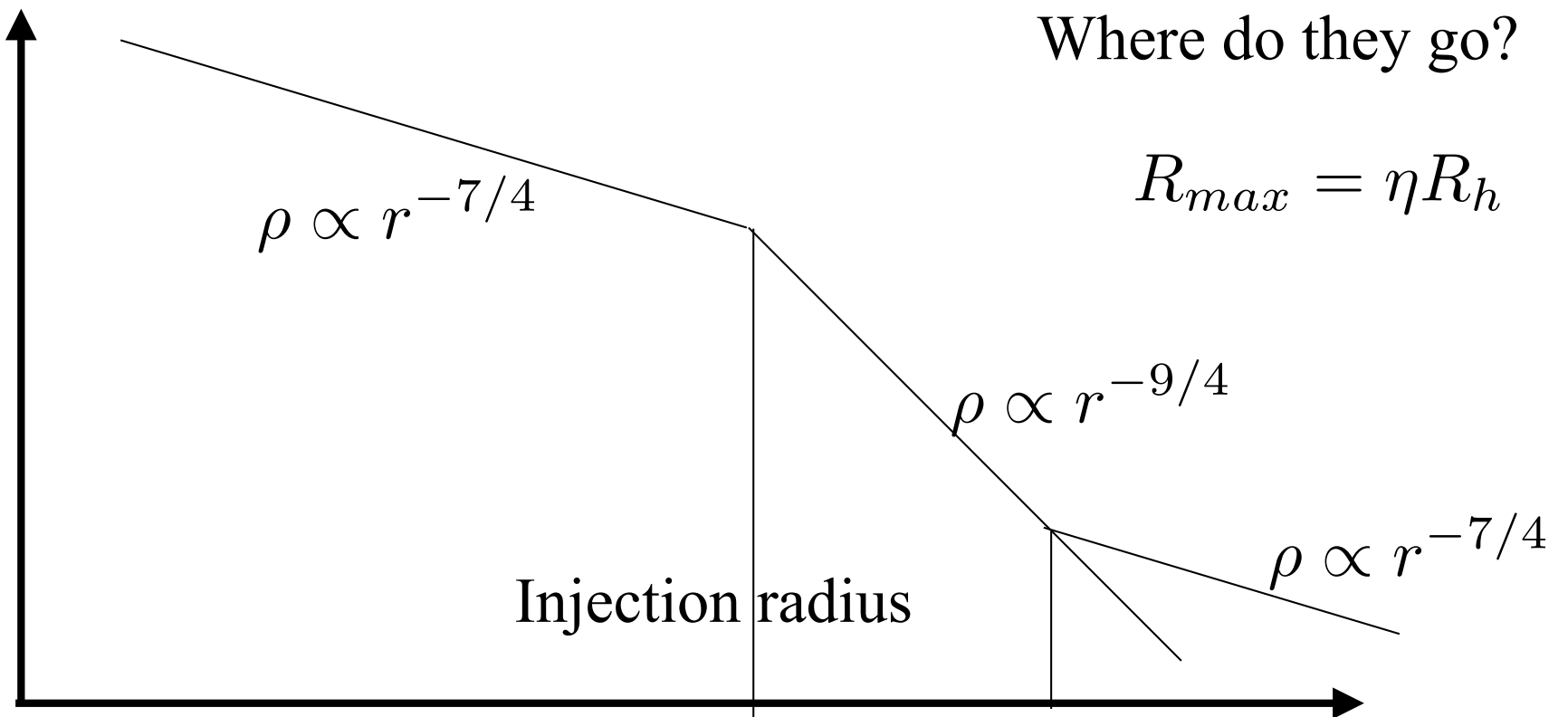
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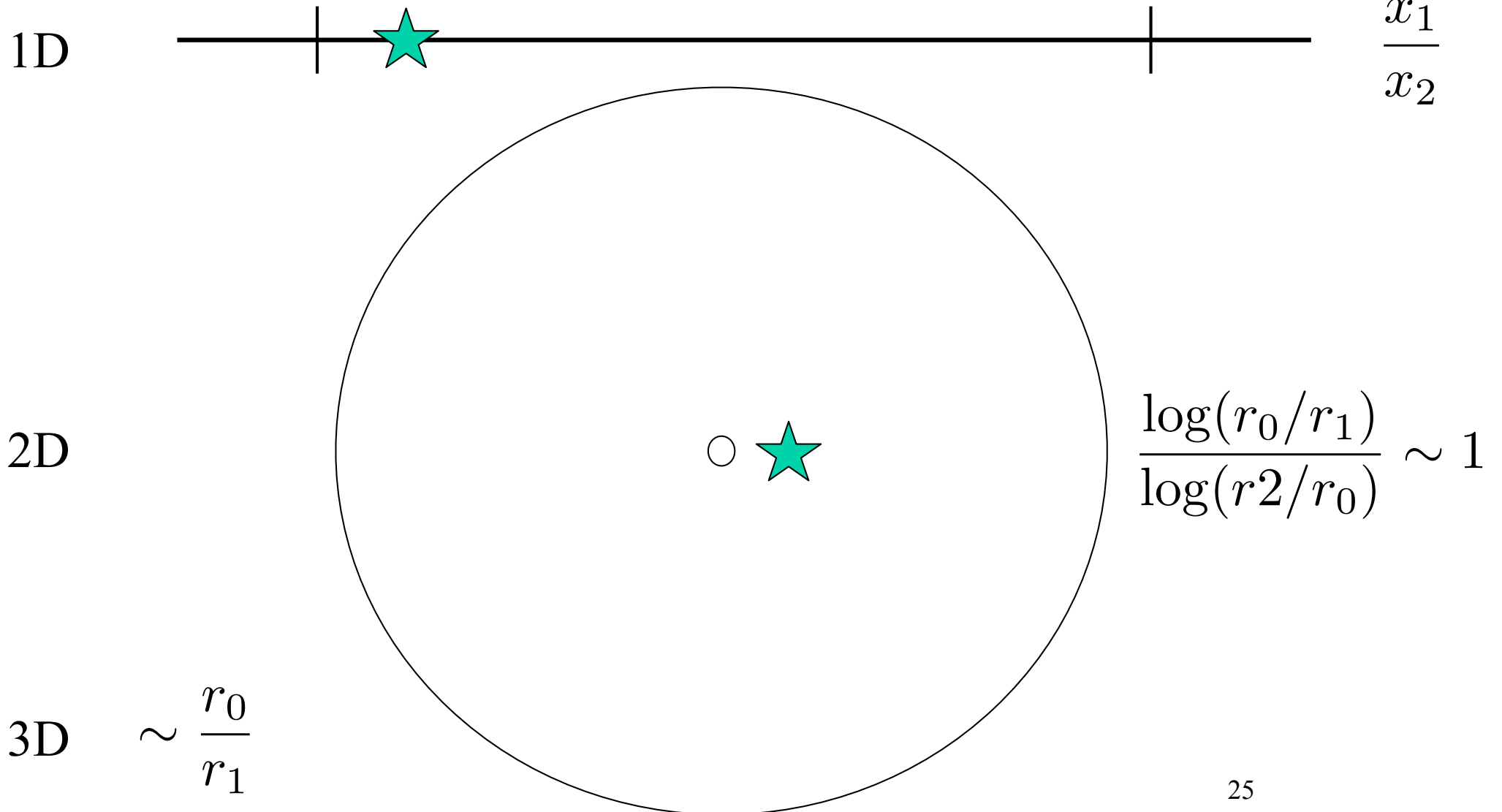
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# 1,2&3D diffusion



# 2 Body Relaxation & The Cusp

- The typical time for significant scattering.

$$T_{rel} = \left[ \frac{N(r)}{r^3} \left( \frac{Gm}{v^2} \right)^2 v \right]^{-1} = P(r) \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 N(r)^{-1}$$

- Constant partical flux:

$$\frac{N(r)}{T_{rel}} = const. \rightarrow N \propto P(r)^{1/2} \propto r^{3/4} \quad \text{Peebles} \quad \rho \propto r^{-9/4}$$

- Constant energy flux:

$$\frac{E(r)N(r)}{T_{rel}} = const. \rightarrow N \propto r^{1/2} P(r)^{1/2} \propto r^{5/4} \quad \text{Bahcall Wolf} \quad \rho \propto r^{-7/4}$$

# Gravitational Waves & Eccentric Orbits

$$T_{GW} = \frac{R_s}{c} \frac{M}{m} \left( \frac{r_p}{R_s} \right)^4 \left( \frac{r}{r_p} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$T_{2B} = \frac{R_s}{c} \left( \frac{M}{m} \right)^2 N(r)^{-1} \left( \frac{r}{R_s} \right)^{3/2} \frac{r_p}{r}$$

$$T_{GW} = T_{2B} \quad \rightarrow \quad r_p = R_s \left( \frac{r}{R_h} \right)^{-1/2}$$





# Resonant Relaxation

- Related to **secular theory** in planetary dynamics.
- Not important close to Rh (fast precession by other stars)
- Not important close to Rs (fast precession due to GR)
- May farther decrease

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}_{EMRIS}}{\mathcal{R}_{TDEs}}$$

# Two times 4 million in The Milky Way

- Stars compared to black hole

$$\frac{M}{m} \sim 4 \times 10^6$$

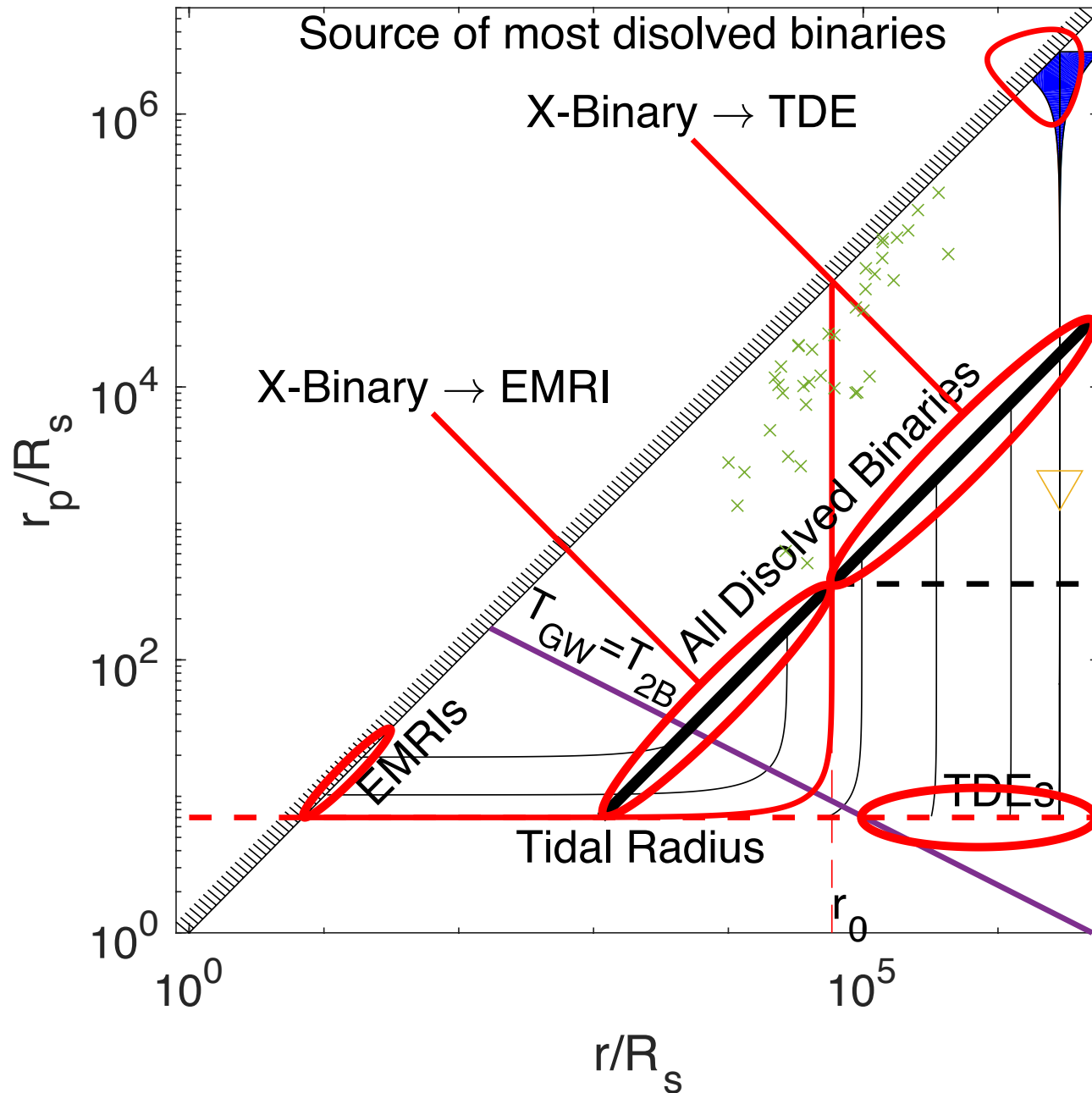
- Radius of influence compared to Schwarzschild.

$$\frac{R_h}{R_s} \sim 4 \times 10^6$$

$$\frac{R_p}{a_b} \sim \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{1/3} \sim 100$$

$$\frac{a_{survive}}{r_t} \sim \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^{1/3} \sim 100$$

# Scatterings + GW + BINARIES



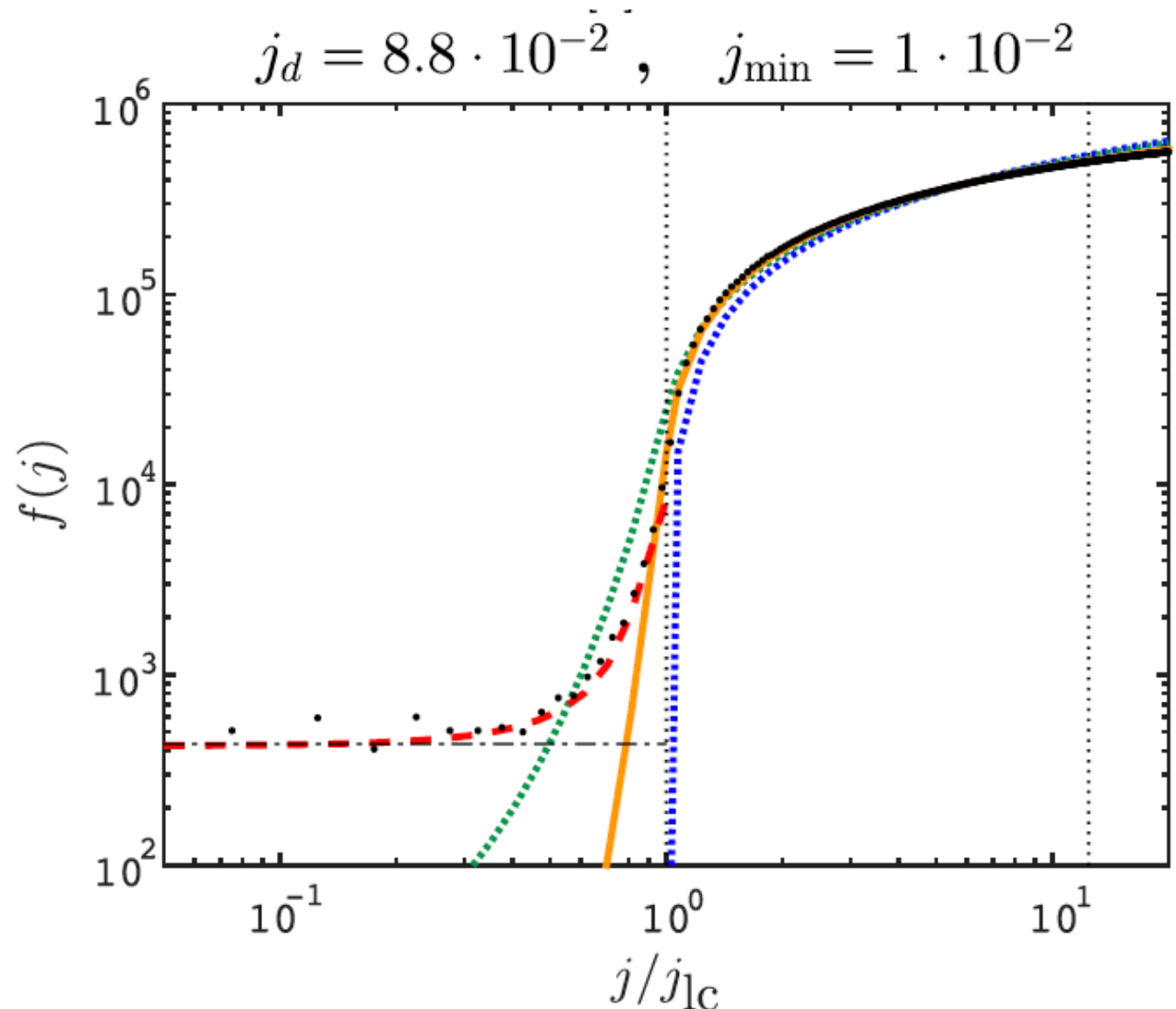
$$r_0 = R_h \left( \frac{R_s}{R_t} \right)^2$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}_{\text{EMRIS}}}{\mathcal{R}_{\text{TDEs}}} = \eta_b$$

$\sim 10\%$

# Empty Loss Cones

- Deep penetrators
  - common in full loss cone
  - extreme compression inside tidal radius
  - shock breakout/nuclear reactions.
- How common in empty loss cone?
- Rare large kicks.



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# Summary

- Stellar density slopes
  - particle flux  $\rho \propto r^{-9/4}$
  - energy flux  $\rho \propto r^{-7/4}$
- Breakup of Binaries:
  - Creates hyper velocity stars
  - Injects stars deep in the BH potential
- Bound broken binary stars:
  - source of most EMRIs.
  - Creates outward stellar flux.
  - Steeper cusp slope.
- Emris Gravitational Wave signal:
  - Both chirp and prich
  - Reflects stellar properties.
  - More than prev. thought.

