

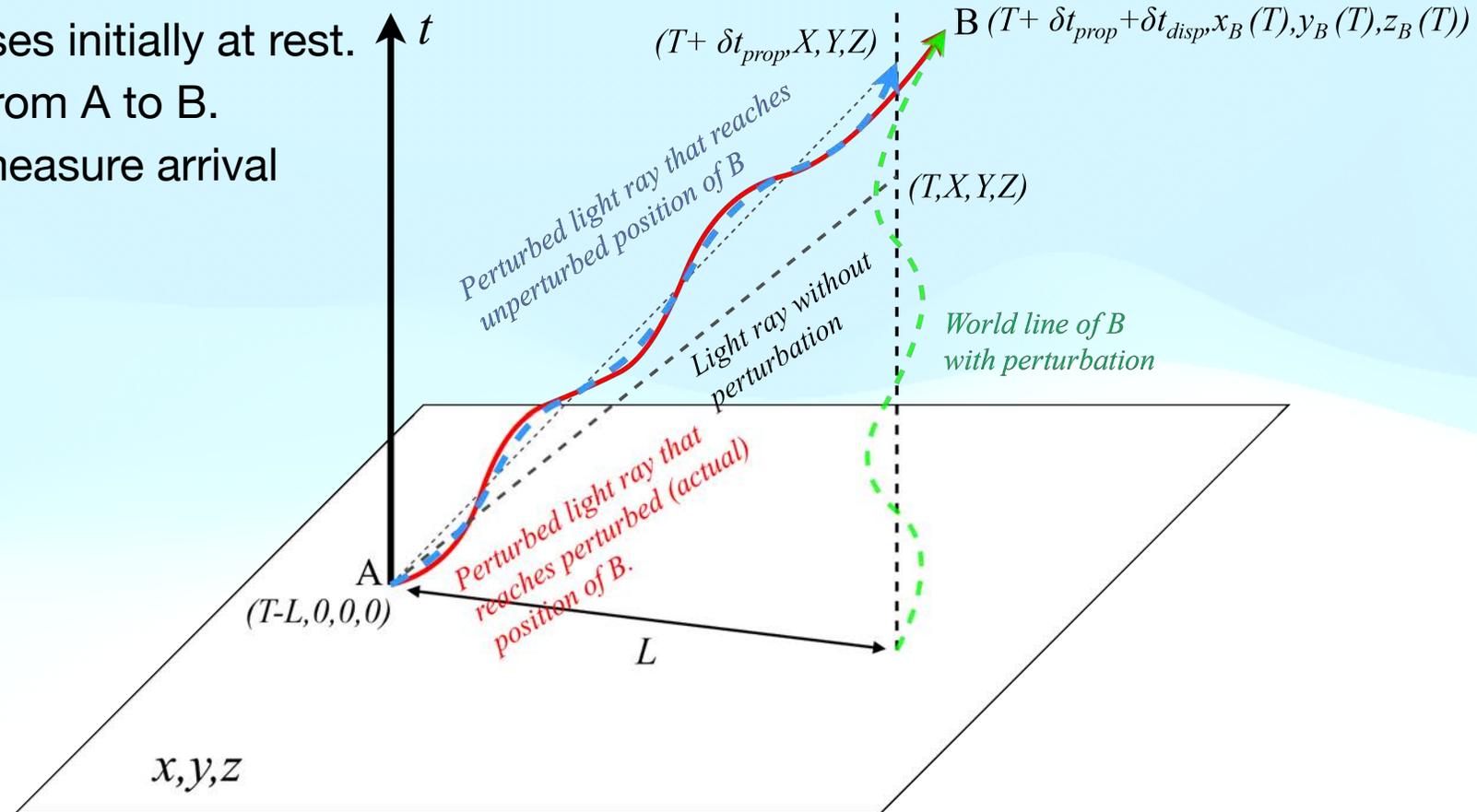
Lectures on Gravitational-Wave Astronomy

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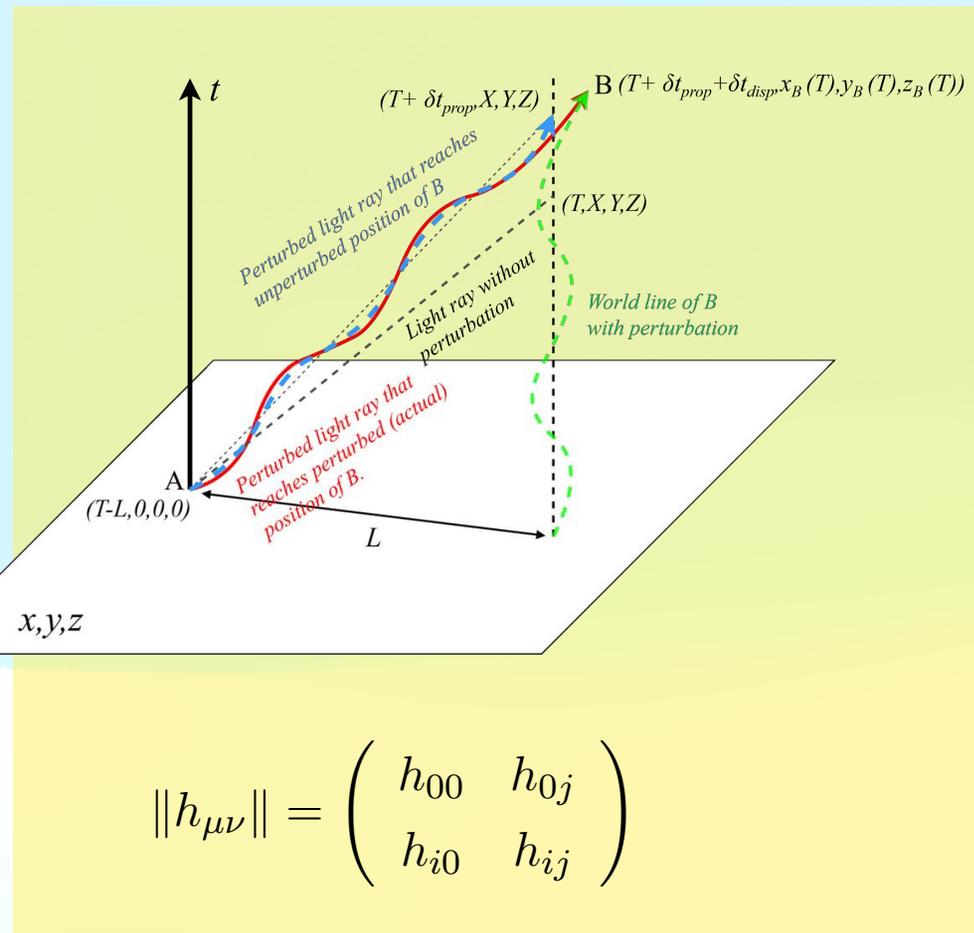
Interaction between GW and Detectors

- Two free masses initially at rest.
- Light travels from A to B.
- Ideal clocks measure arrival time



- Three different “*physical* effects” (which are in fact **gauge dependent**):
 1. Proper time τ differ from t (gravitational redshift)
 2. Test masses move under gravity force
 3. Light rays distorted due to metric perturbation.

Interaction between GW and Detectors



gravitational redshift

$$\delta t_{\text{redshift}} = \int \left(\frac{d\tau}{dt_D} - 1 \right) dt_D = -\frac{1}{2} \int^t h_{00}(t, x_D^j) dt$$

tidal displacement

$$\frac{d^2 x_D^j}{dt^2} + \Gamma_{00}^j = 0. \quad \Gamma_{00}^j = \frac{1}{2} [2h_{j0,0} - h_{00,j}]$$

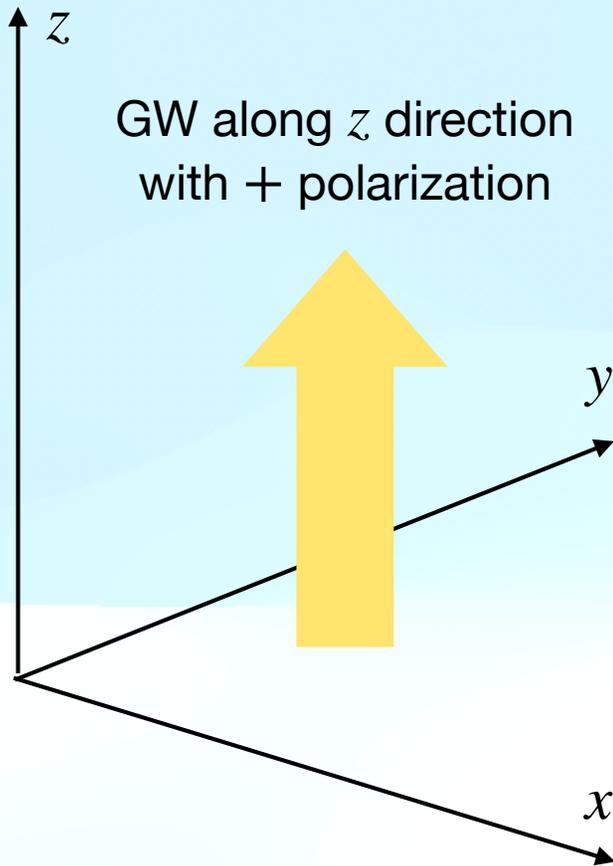
$$n^j = (X, Y, Z)/L, \quad \delta t_{\text{disp}} = n^j \delta x_D^j$$

distortion of light propagation

$$\delta t_{\text{prop}} = \frac{1}{2L} \int h_{\mu\nu}[x_{\text{ray}}^\rho(\lambda)] \frac{dx_{\text{ray}}^\mu(\lambda)}{d\lambda} \frac{dx_{\text{ray}}^\nu(\lambda)}{d\lambda} = \frac{L}{2} \int_0^1 d\lambda [h_{00} + h_{0j}n^j + h_{ij}n^i n^j]$$

Gauge transformation: $h_{\mu\nu} \rightarrow h_{\mu\nu} - \xi_{\mu,\nu} - \xi_{\nu,\mu}$

TT Gauge



$$\|h_{\alpha\beta}(t, x, y, z)\| = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & h_+(t-z) & h_\times(t-z) & 0 \\ 0 & h_\times(t-z) & -h_+(t-z) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

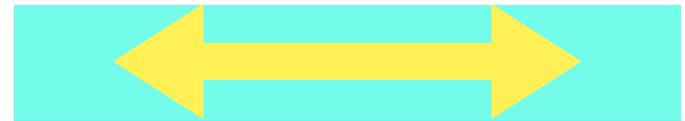
free masses
(initially at rest)



stay fixed



rigid object



squeezes and stretches

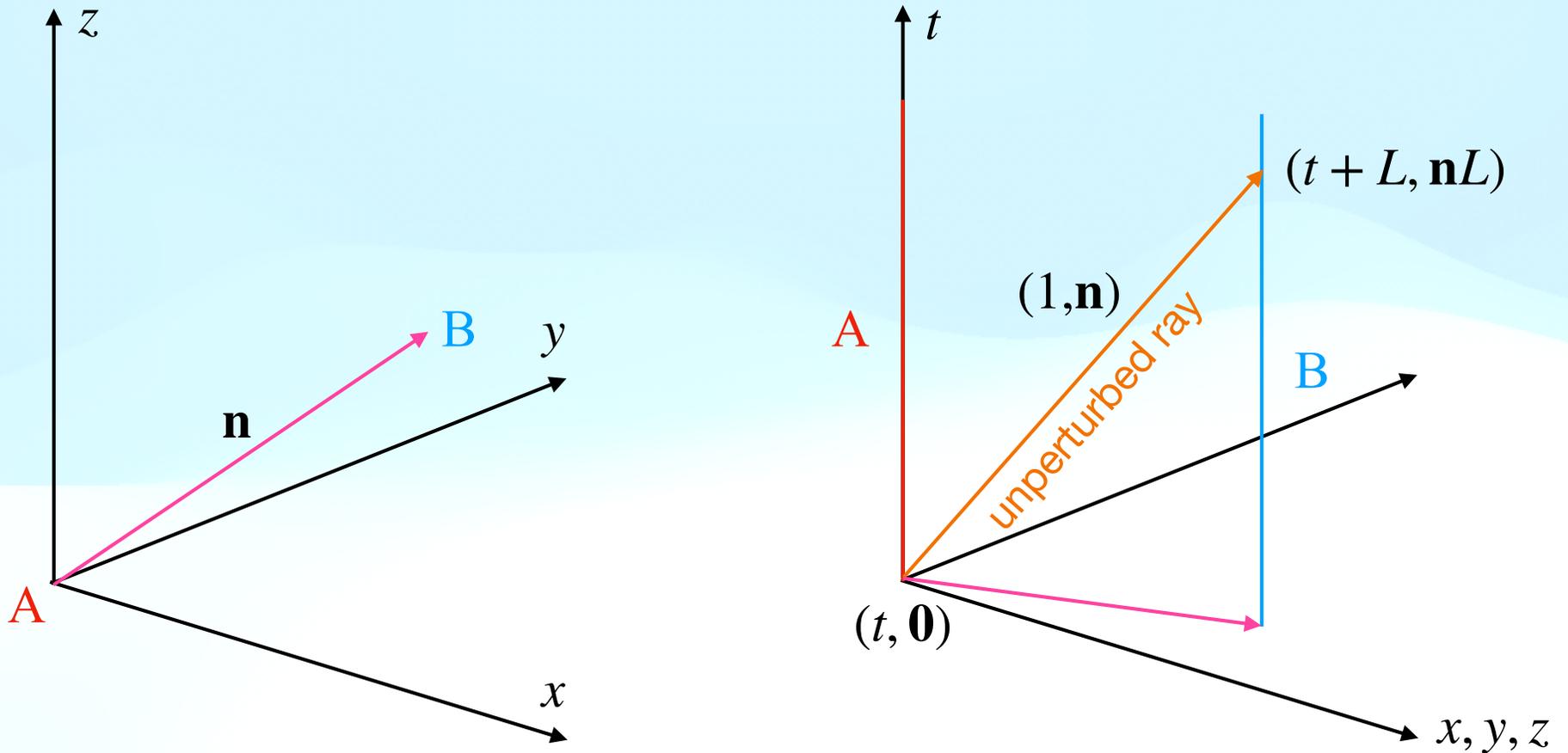
light propagatin?



modified



Response to GW in TT gauge



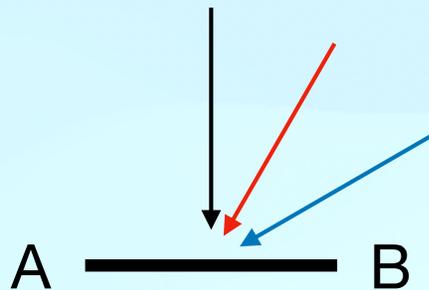
$$\Delta t = \frac{L}{2} \int_0^1 d\zeta n^i n^j h_{ij}^{TT}(t + \zeta L, \mathbf{x}_A + \zeta \mathbf{n}L)$$

integral of the projection of h_{ij} along light propagation direction

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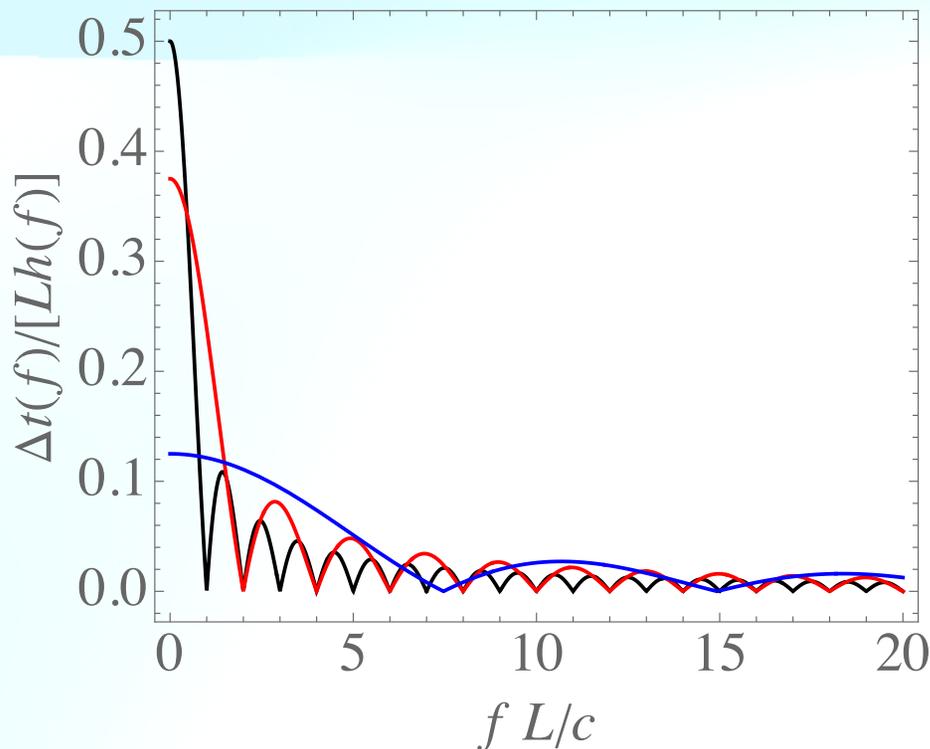
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Long wavelength
Low frequency

$$\Delta t \approx \frac{L h_{ij} n^i n^j}{2}$$



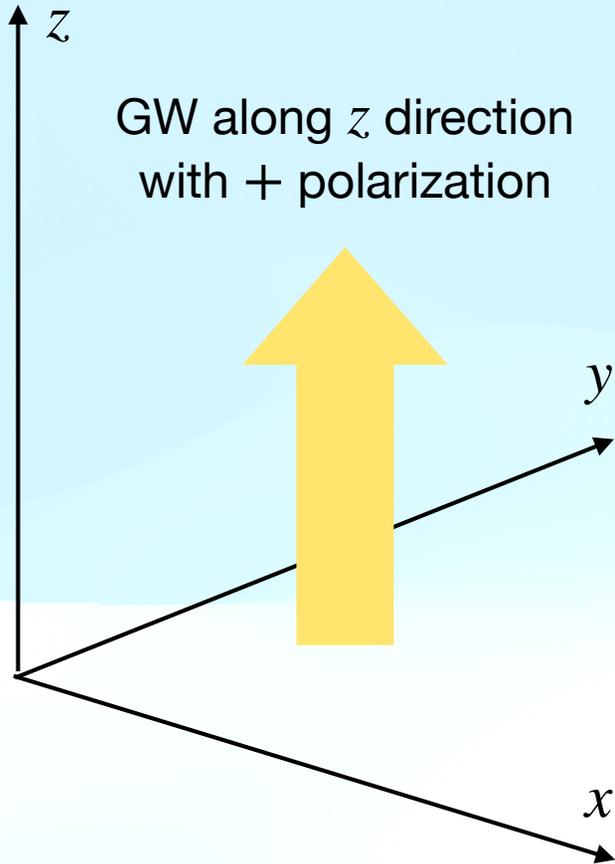
in general, for $h_{ij} = \sum_{p=+, \times} H_p e_{p,ij}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$

$$\Delta t = \frac{H_p e_{p,ij}(\mathbf{k}) n^i n^j}{2} \frac{e^{-i\omega(t+L) + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}_B} - e^{-i\omega t + i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}_A}}{-i(\omega - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{n})}$$

polarization matching
 $\mathbf{n} \perp \mathbf{k}$

phase matching
 $\mathbf{n} \propto \mathbf{k}$

Local Lorentz Frame



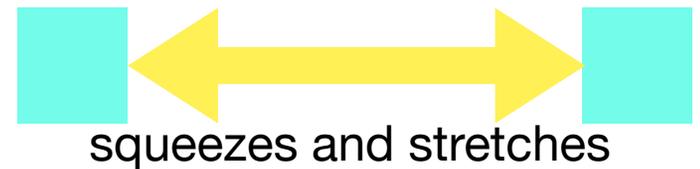
$$C_{00} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{2}$$

$$C_{0k} = \frac{1}{3}(-xz, yz, x^2 - y^2)$$

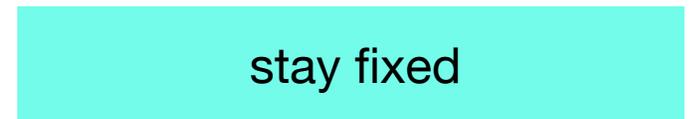
$$C_{jk} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} z^2 & 0 & -xz \\ 0 & -z^2 & yz \\ -xz & yz & -(x^2 - y^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\|h_{\mu\nu}^{\text{LLF,LW}}\| = \begin{pmatrix} C_{00} & C_{0k} \\ C_{j0} & C_{jk} \end{pmatrix} \ddot{h}_+(t)$$

free masses
(initially at rest)



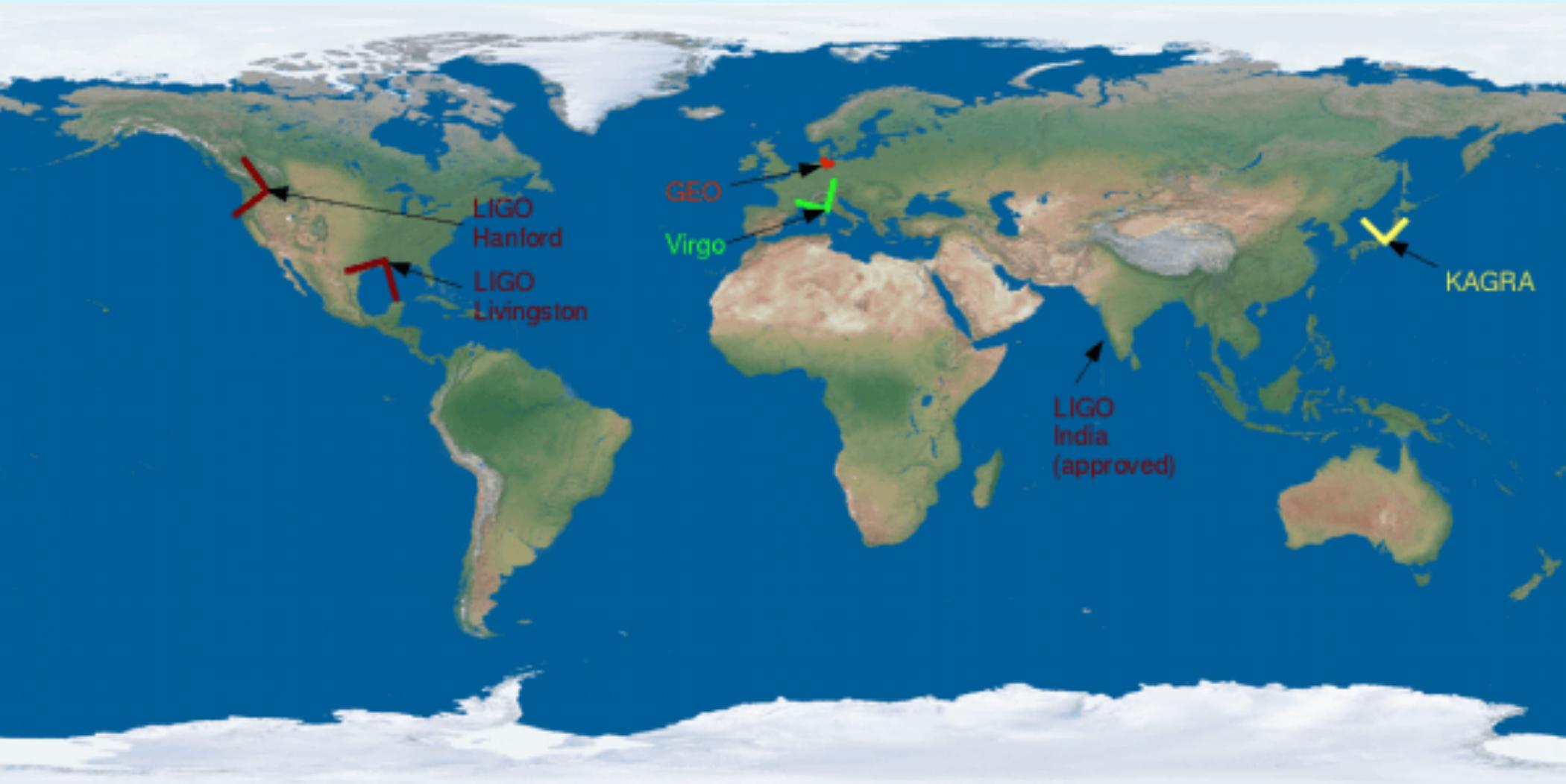
rigid object



light propagation?



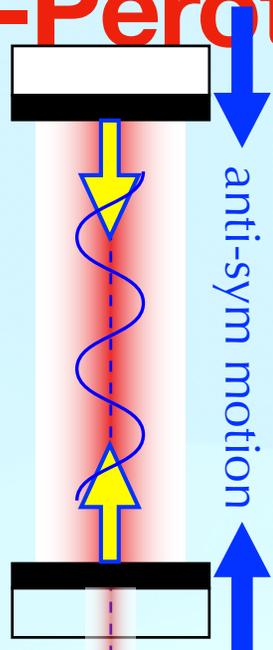
Ground-Based Laser Interferometers



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Fabry-Perot Michelson Interferometer

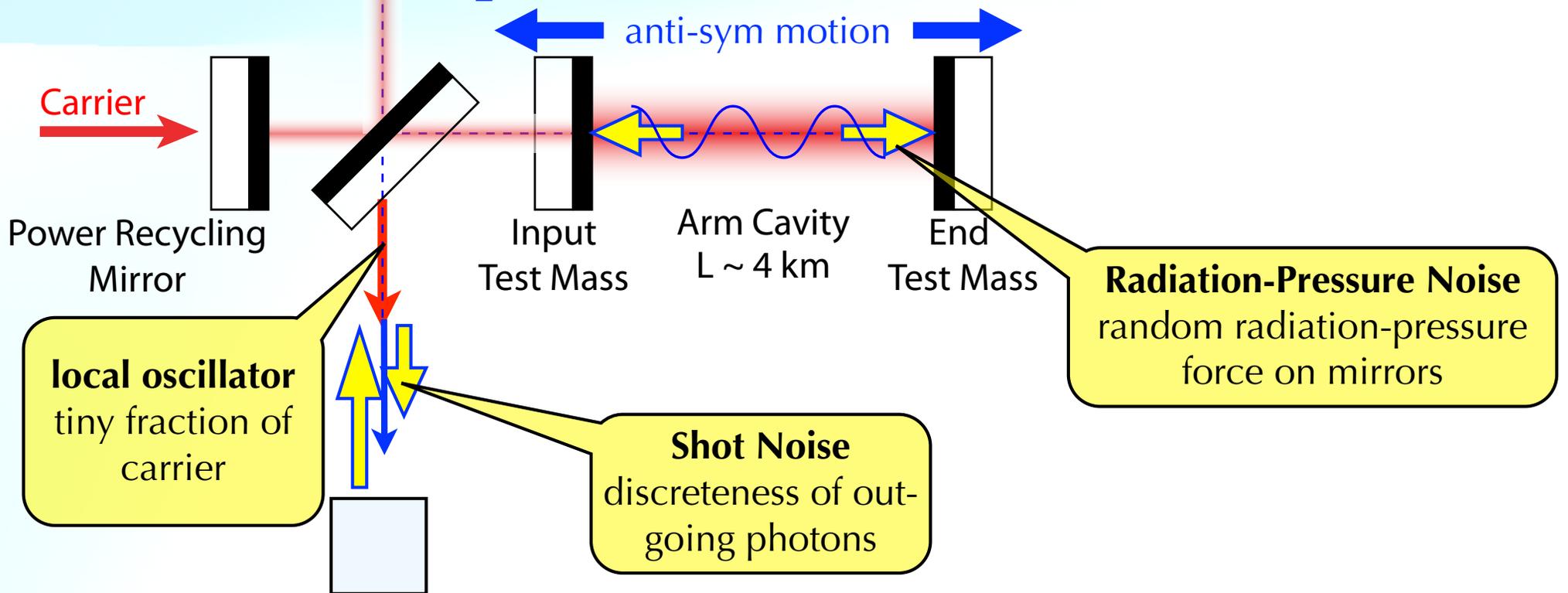


Carrier: Amplified by Resonance (Cavity & Recycling)

Signal: differential phase modulation, escape from detection port.

Vacuum Fluctuations of EM field enter oppositely from detection port. **Responsible for all quantum noise.** [Caves, 1980]

Two Types of Noise: **shot noise** and **radiation-pressure noise**



Radiation-Pressure Noise
random radiation-pressure force on mirrors

Shot Noise
discreteness of outgoing photons

local oscillator
tiny fraction of carrier

Quantum Limit: Sensing versus Back Action

Must introduce light field to fully describe measurement process



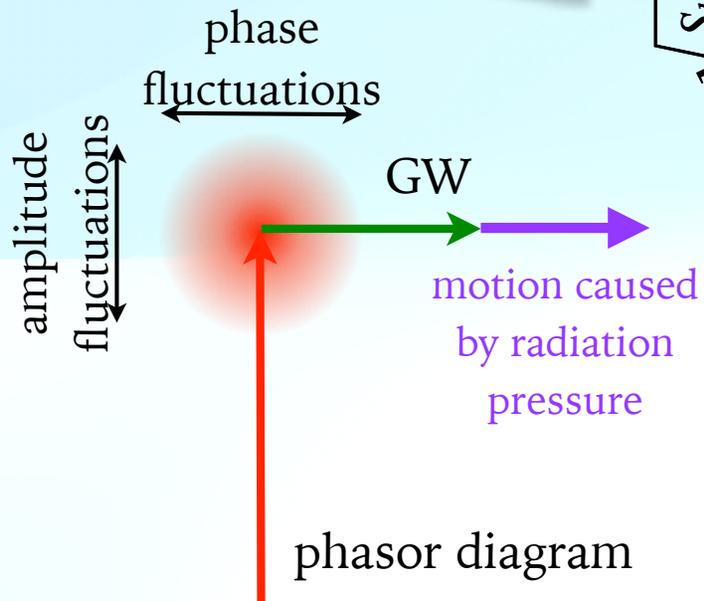
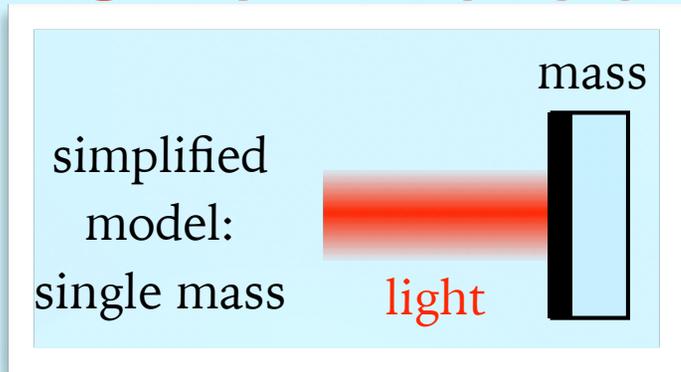
Sensing Noise: Position Uncertainty from N photons: $\Delta x \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2N}} \frac{\lambda}{2\pi}$

Back-Action Noise: **Momentum Uncertainty** from N photons: $\Delta p \sim \sqrt{\frac{N}{2}} \hbar \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$

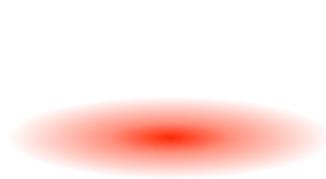
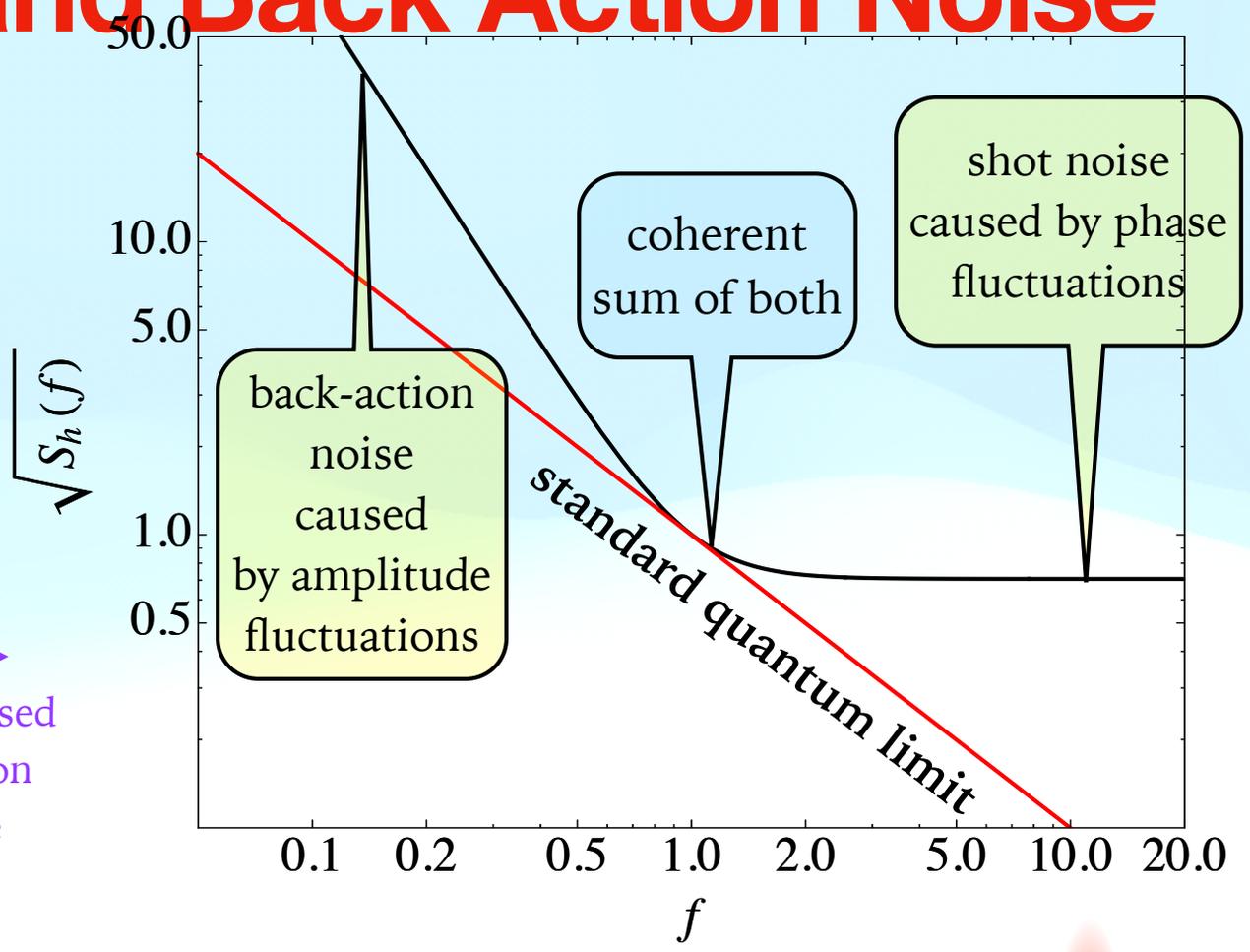
$$\text{Total Uncertainty: } \Delta x_{\text{tot}} \sim \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \frac{\Delta p^2 T^2}{M^2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi}\right)^2 + \frac{\hbar^2 T^2 N}{M^2} \left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda}\right)^2}$$

Photon's fluctuations also lead to the Standard Quantum Limit: $\Delta x_{\text{tot}} \geq \Delta x_{\text{SQL}}$

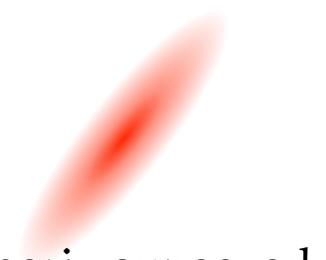
Shot Noise and Back Action Noise



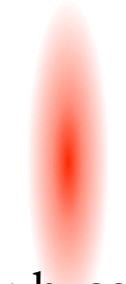
EM field can be prepared into "squeezed states"



amplitude squeezed

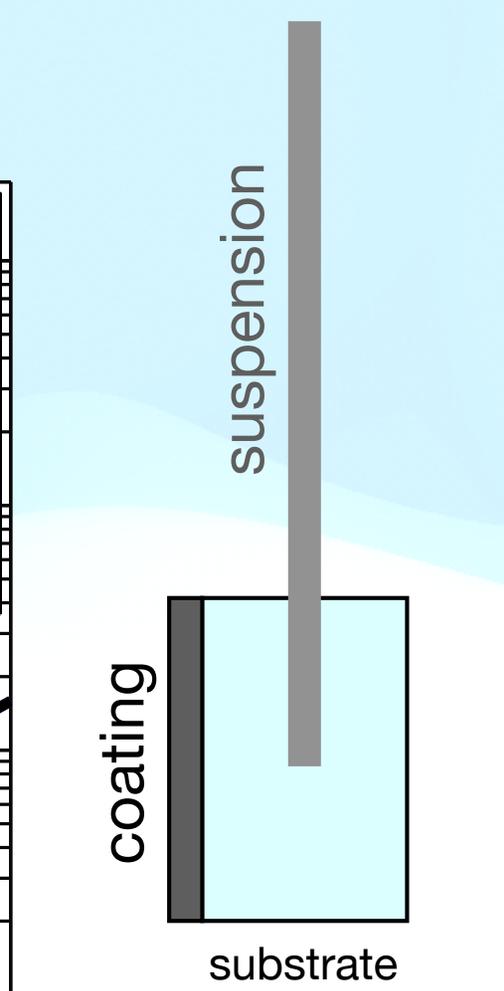
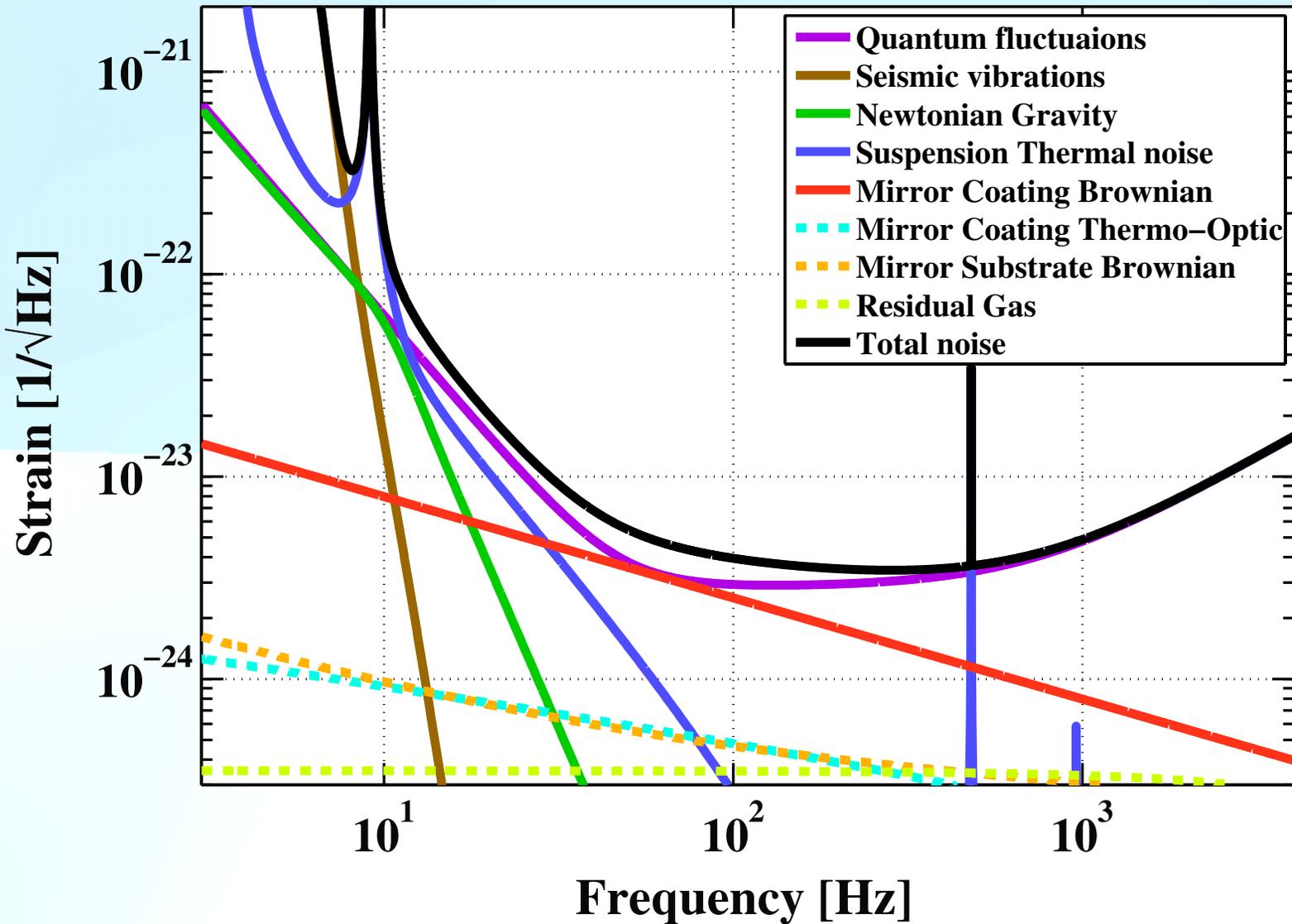


generic squeezed (with correlation!)



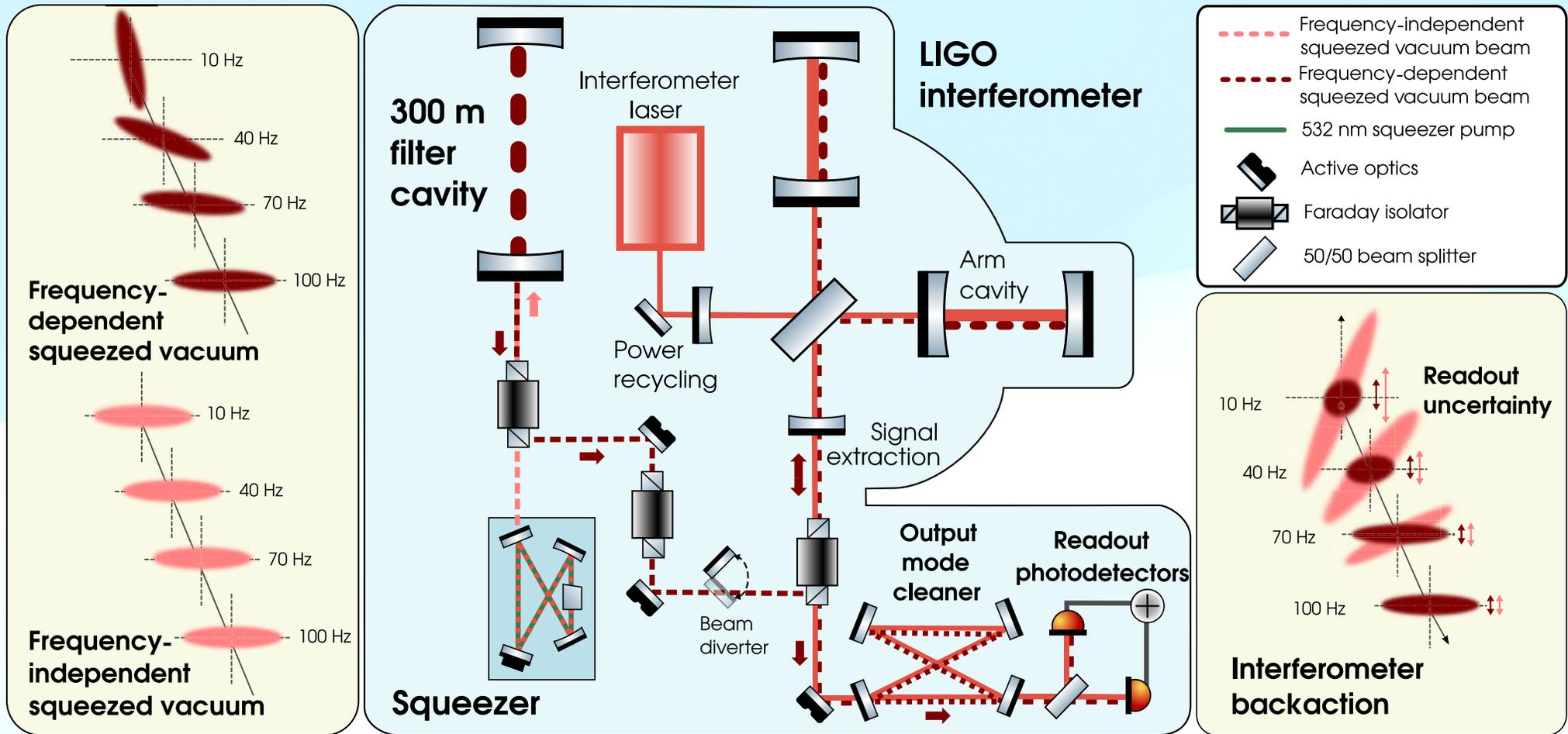
phase squeezed

Other Types of Noise

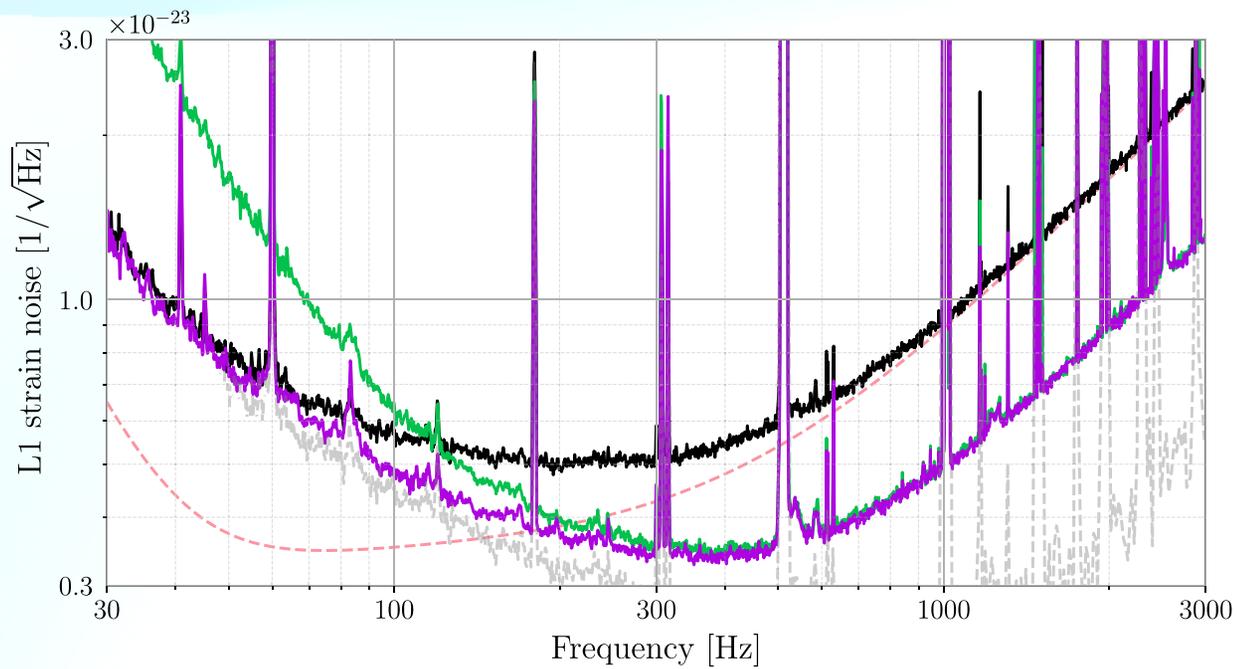
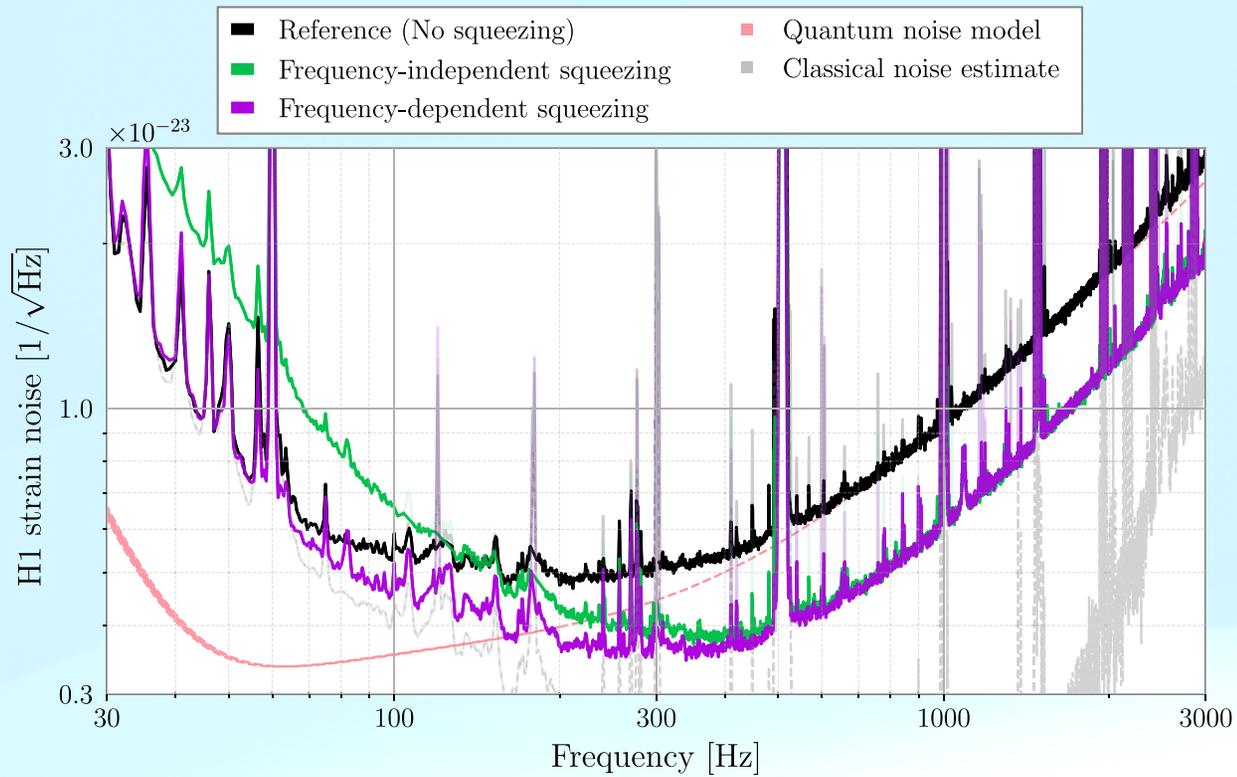


[LIGO Lab]

Frequency-Dependent Squeezing with LIGO

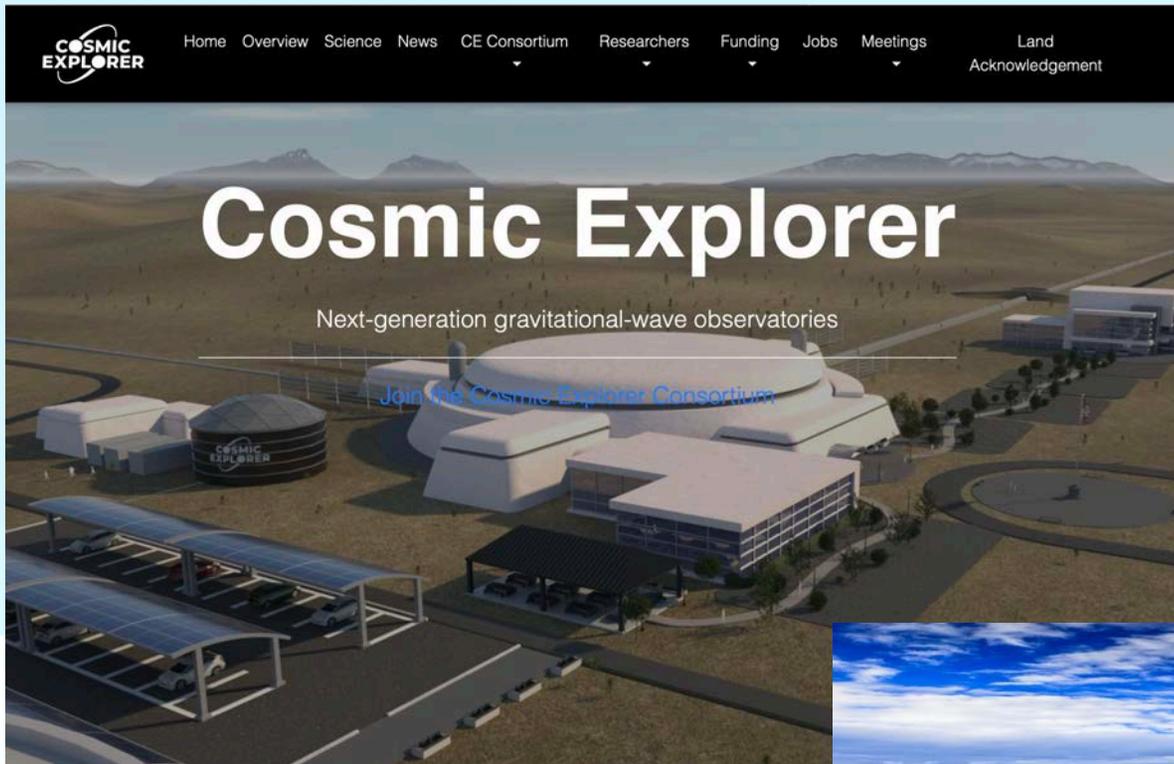


[Ganapathy et al., 2023]



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Future Detectors

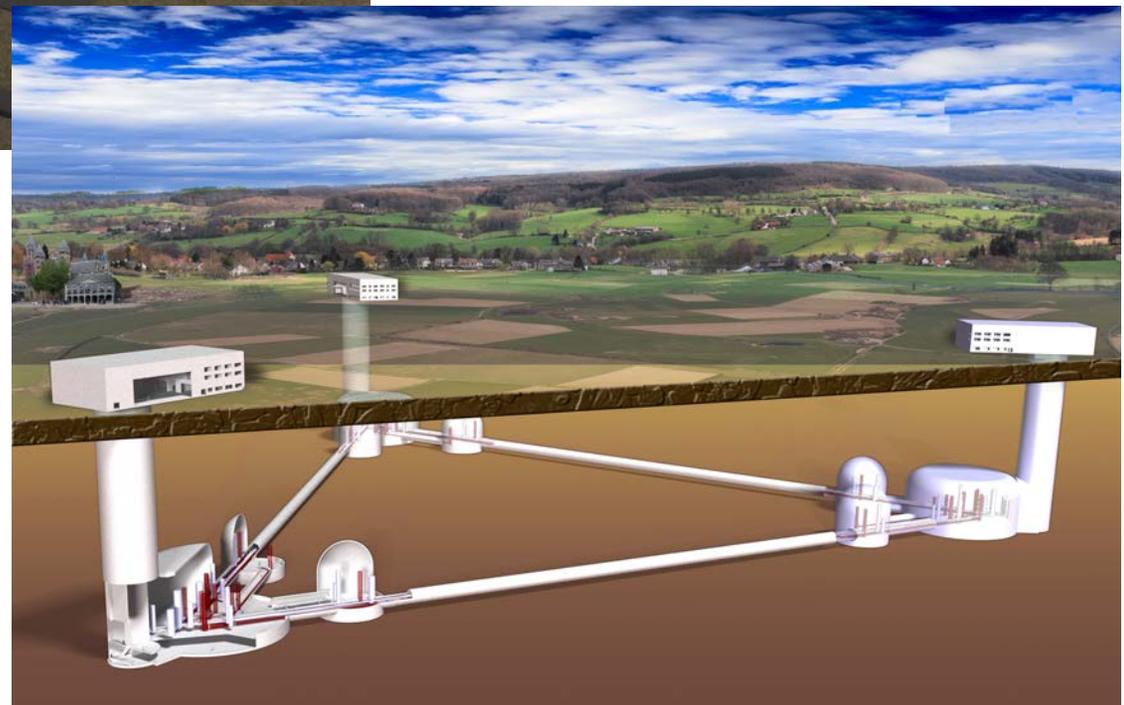


Cosmic Explorer

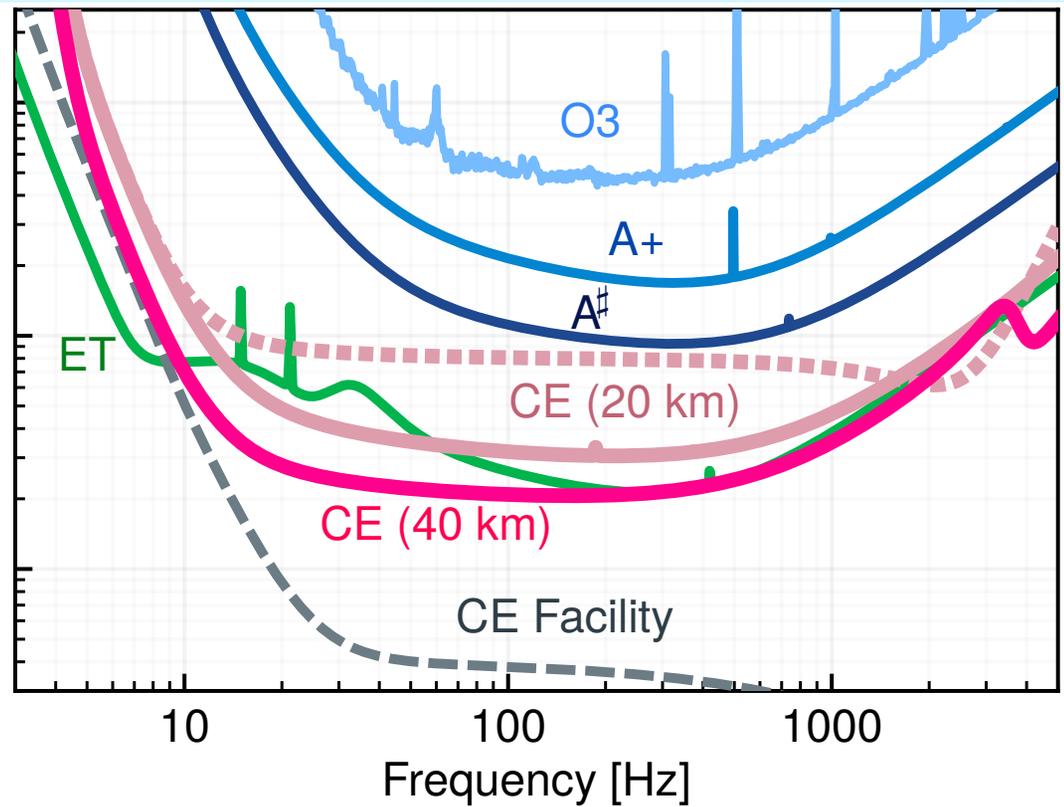
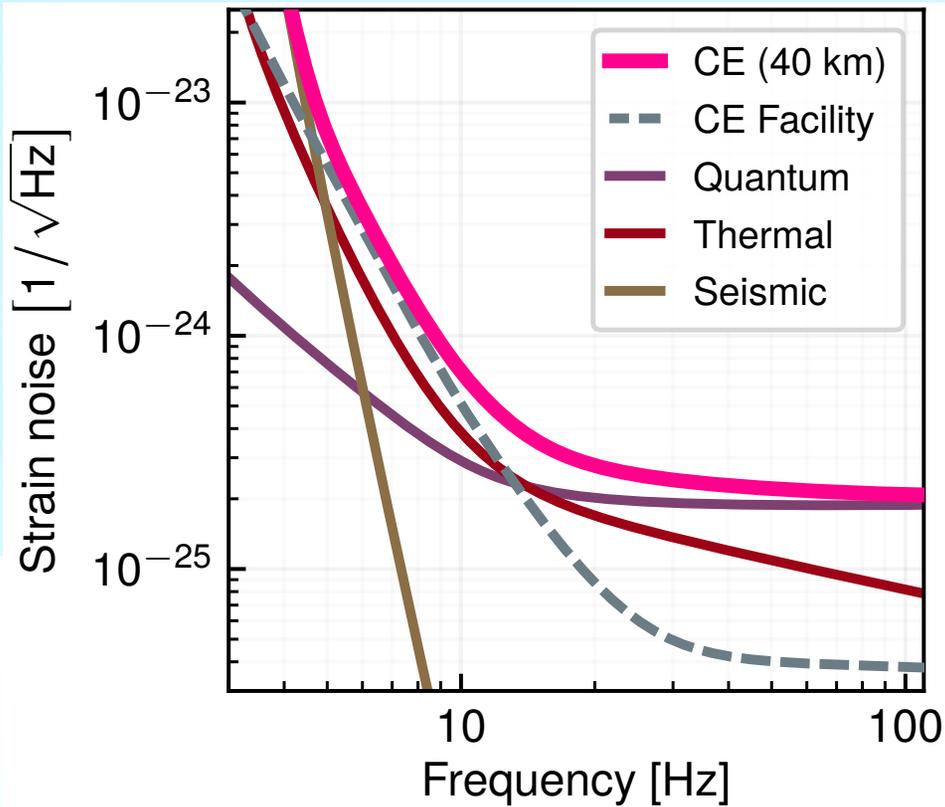
www.cosmicexplorer.org

Einstein Telescope

www.et-gw.eu



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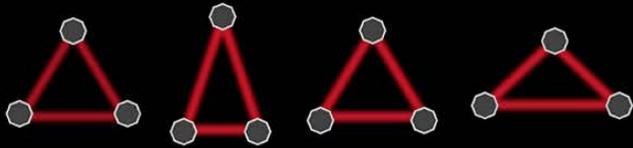
Laser Interferometer Space Antenna



LISA - LASER INTERFEROMETER SPACE ANTENNA

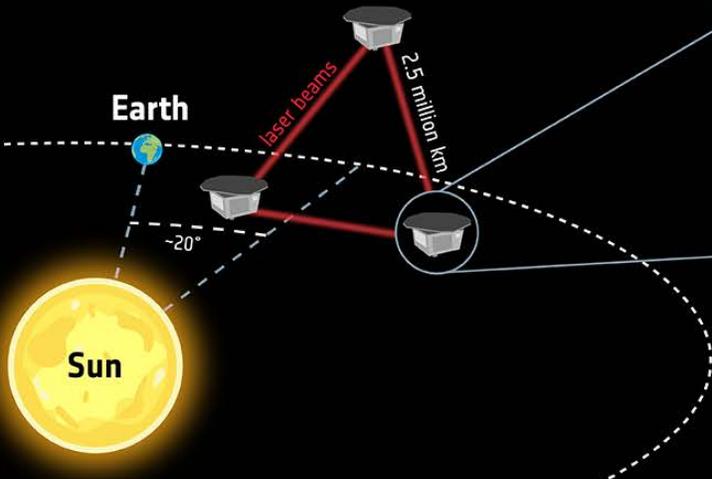
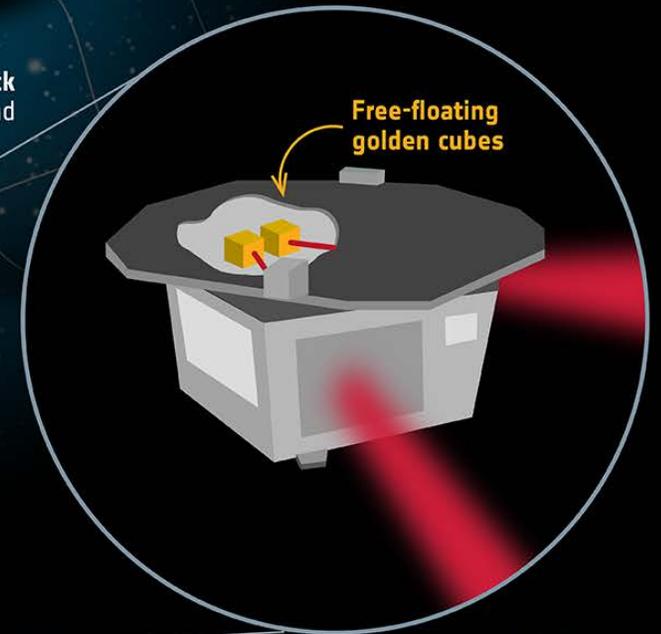
Gravitational waves are ripples in spacetime that alter the distances between objects. LISA will detect them by measuring subtle changes in the distances between **free-floating cubes** nestled within its three spacecraft.

③ **identical spacecraft** exchange **laser beams**. Gravitational waves change the distance between the **free-floating cubes** in the different spacecraft. This tiny change will be measured by the laser beams.

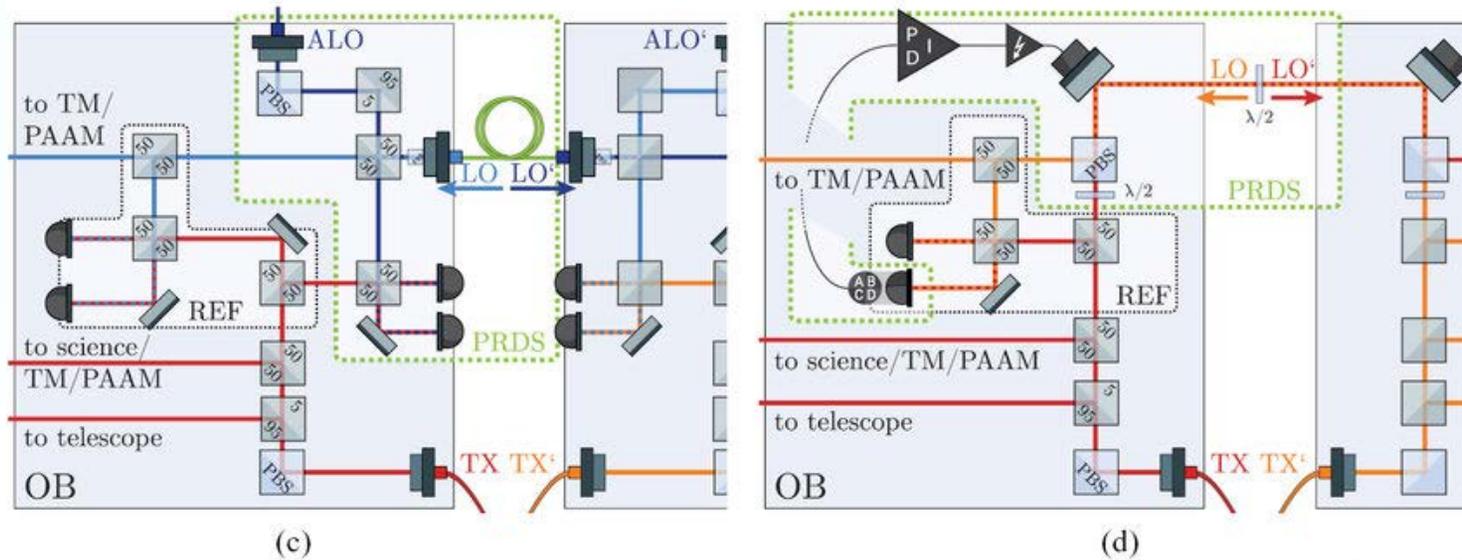
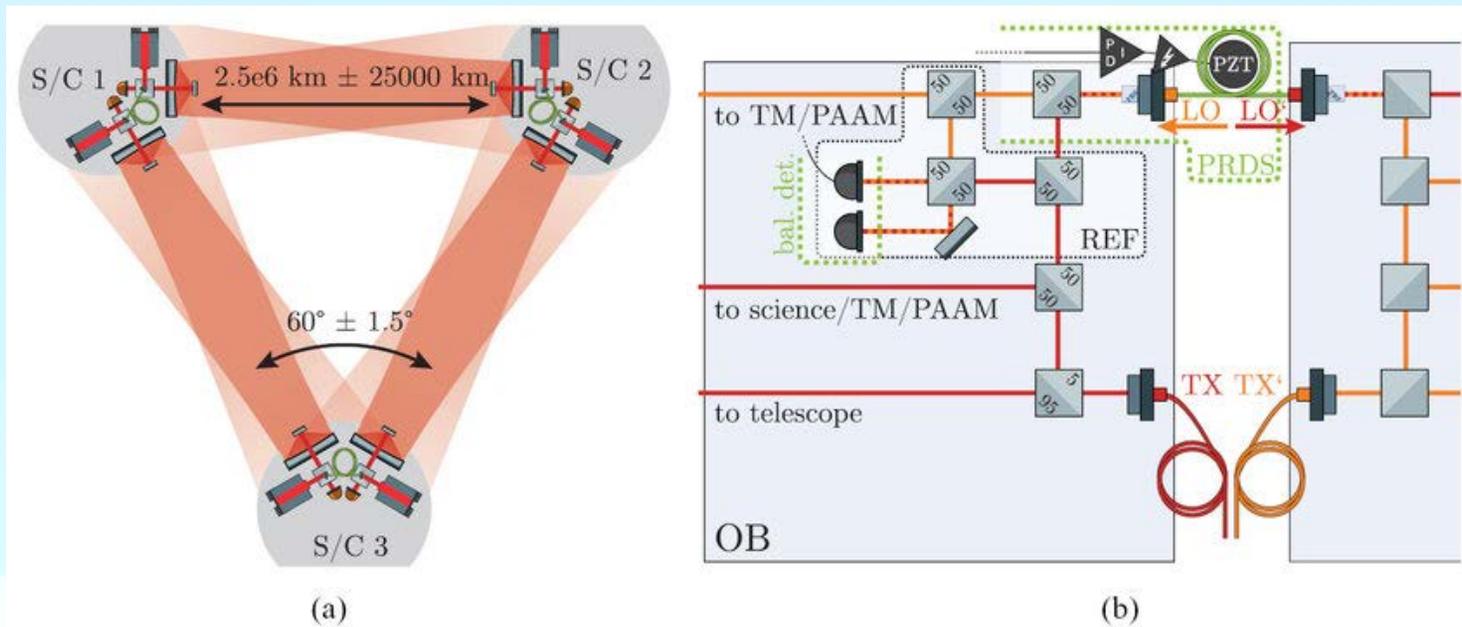


* Changes in distances travelled by the laser beams are not to scale and extremely exaggerated

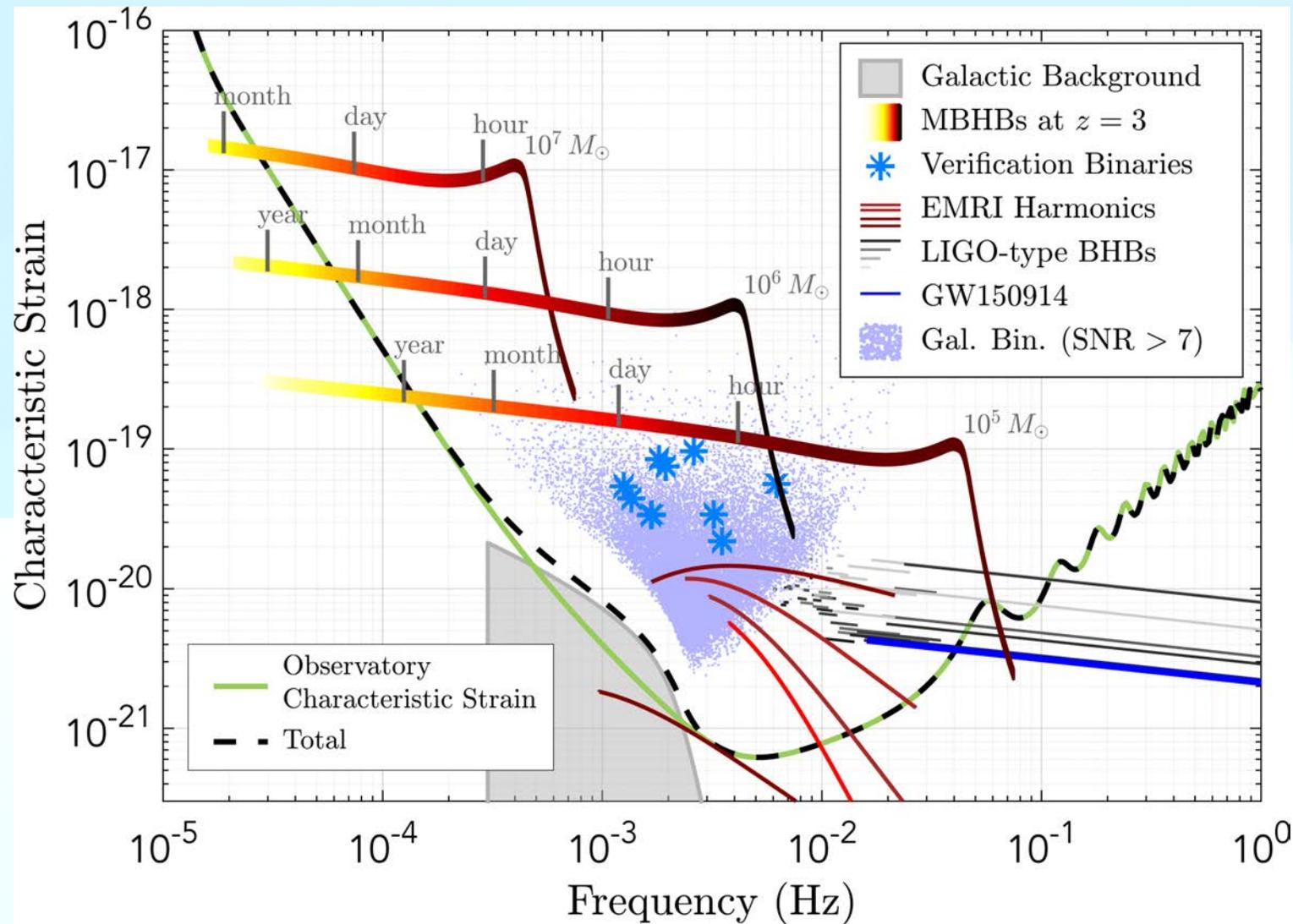
Powerful events such as **colliding black holes** shake the fabric of spacetime and cause gravitational waves



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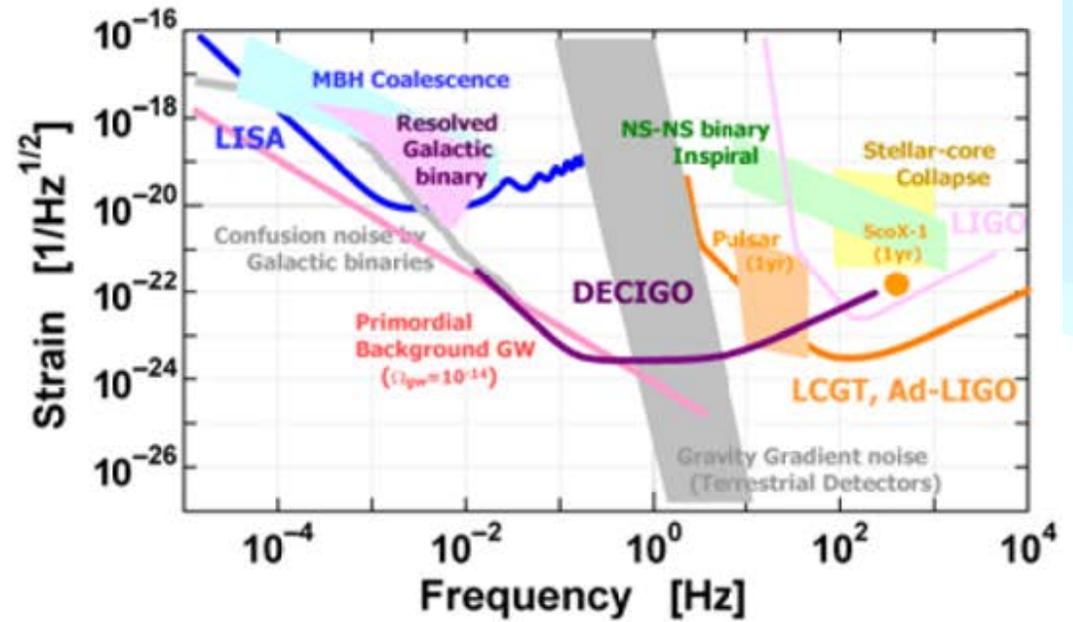
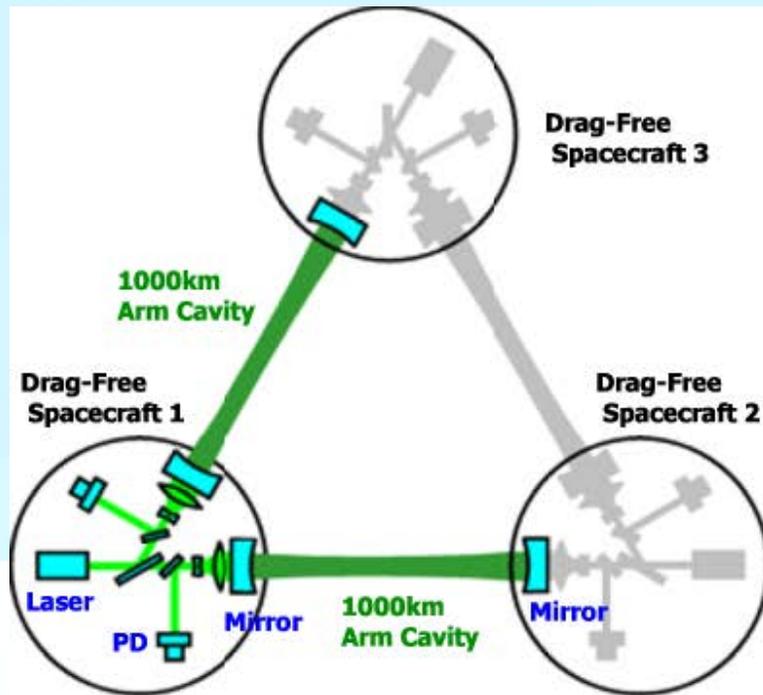


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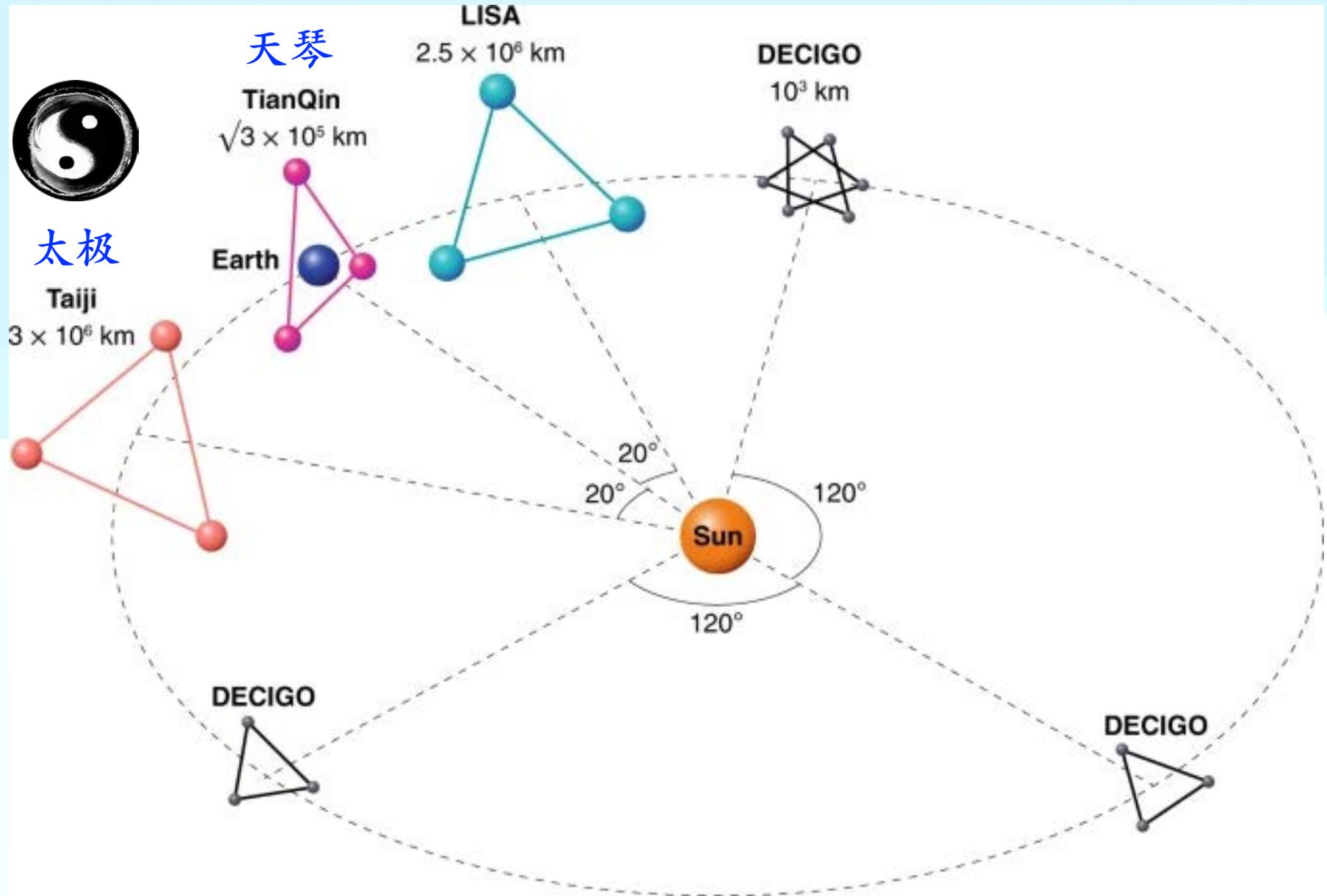
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DECIGO

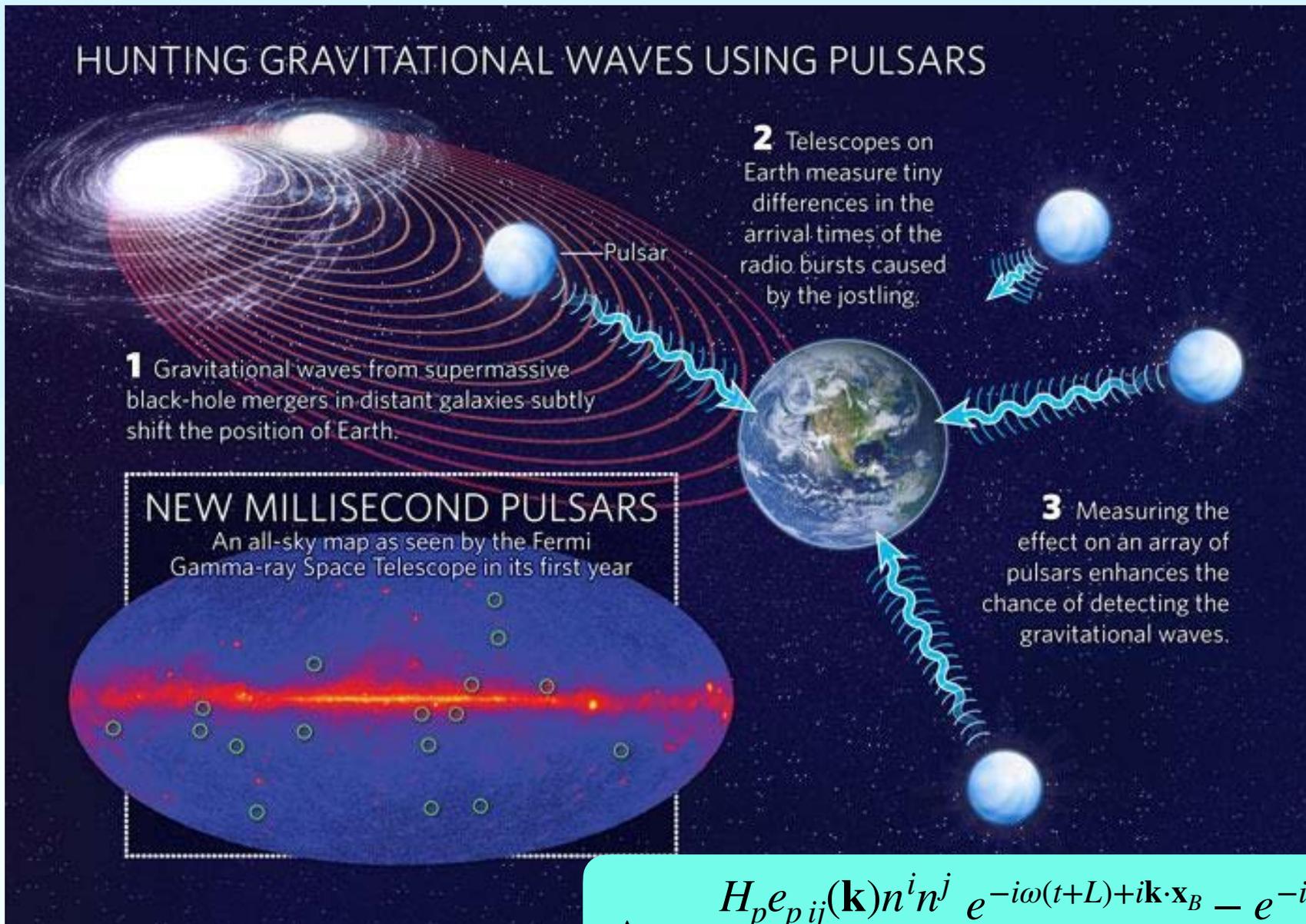


[Shuichi Sato and Seiji Kawamura]

Space Based Detectors



Pulsar Timing Array



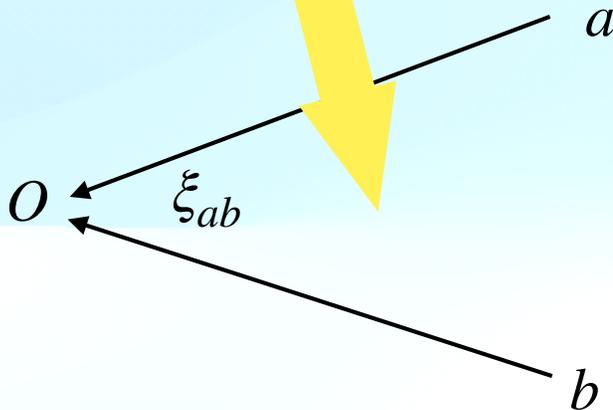
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Stochastic Background From PTA

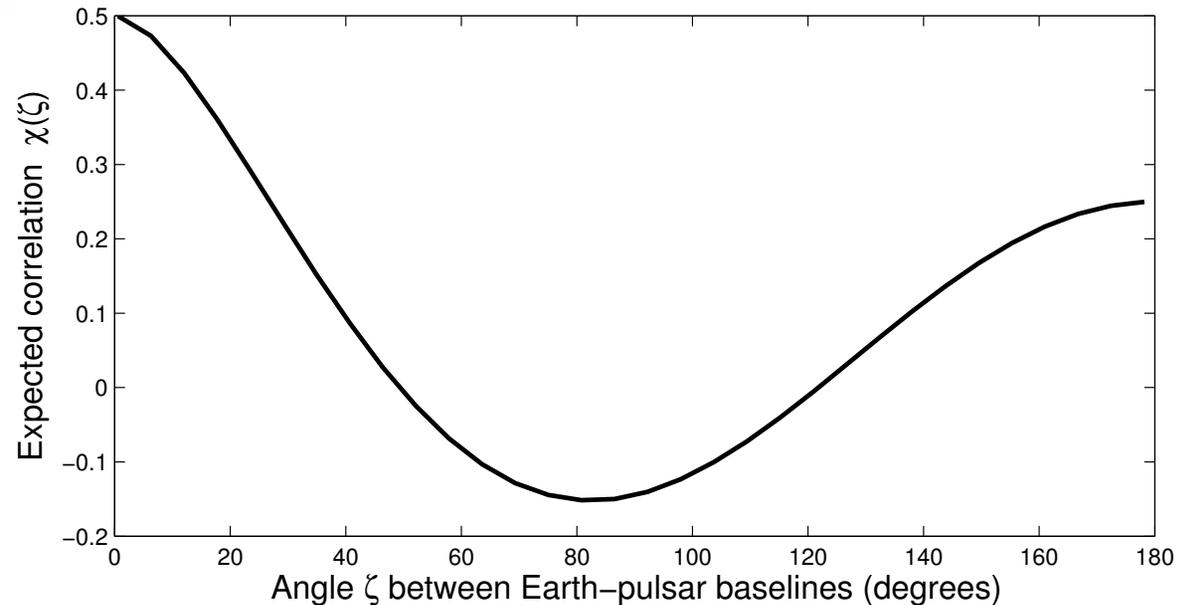
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$$\Gamma(\theta) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} \right) \log \left(\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{2} \right)$$

Hellings-Downs Curve [Hellings & Downs, 1983]



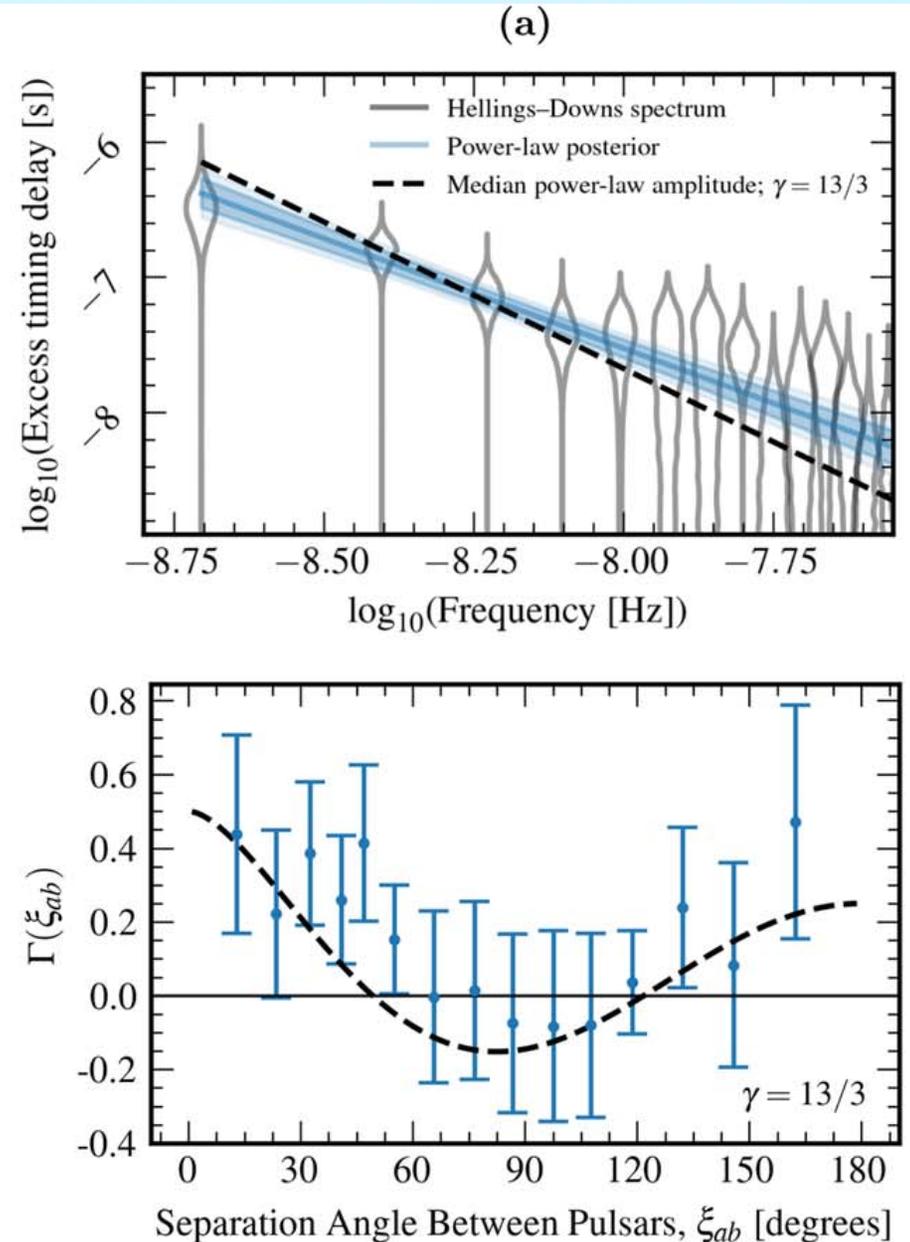
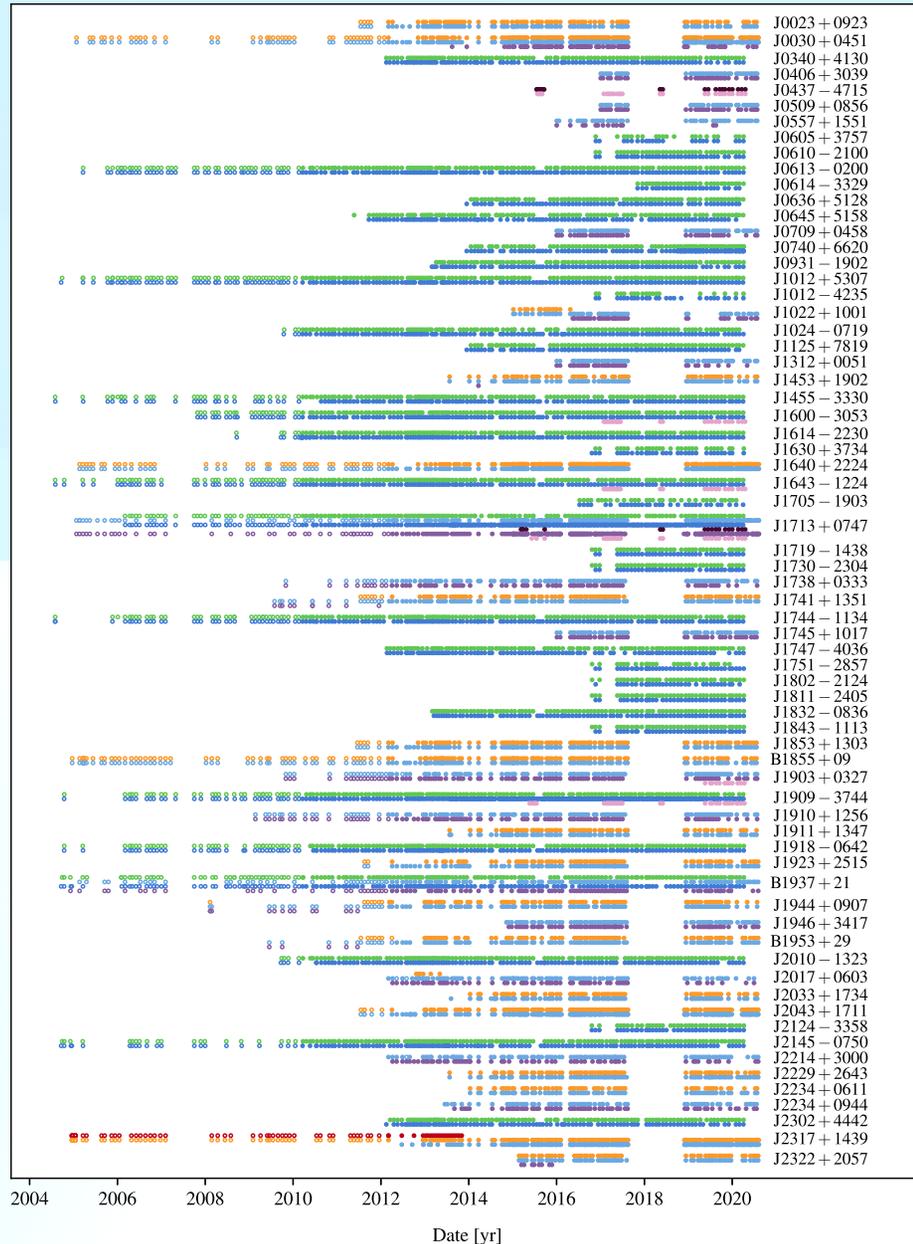
$$\frac{S_{\Delta t_a \Delta t_b}}{\sqrt{S_{\Delta t_a} S_{\Delta t_b}}} \xrightarrow[\text{fixing } \xi_{ab}]{\text{randomize over } h \text{ or } ab} \Gamma(\xi_{ab})$$



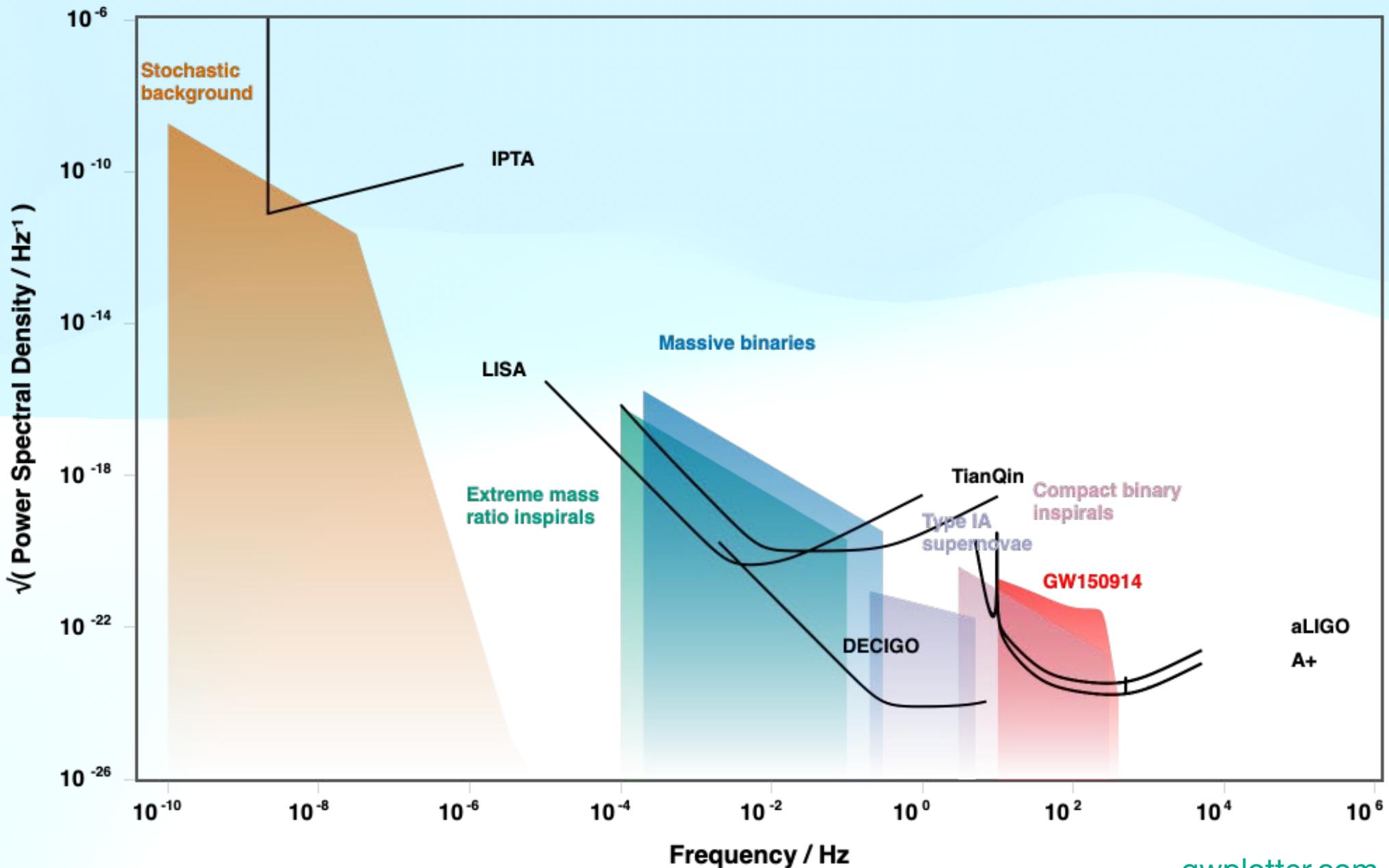
[Jenet & Romano, 2014]

NanoGrav 15 Year Result

Gabriella Agazie *et al* 2023 *ApJL* 951

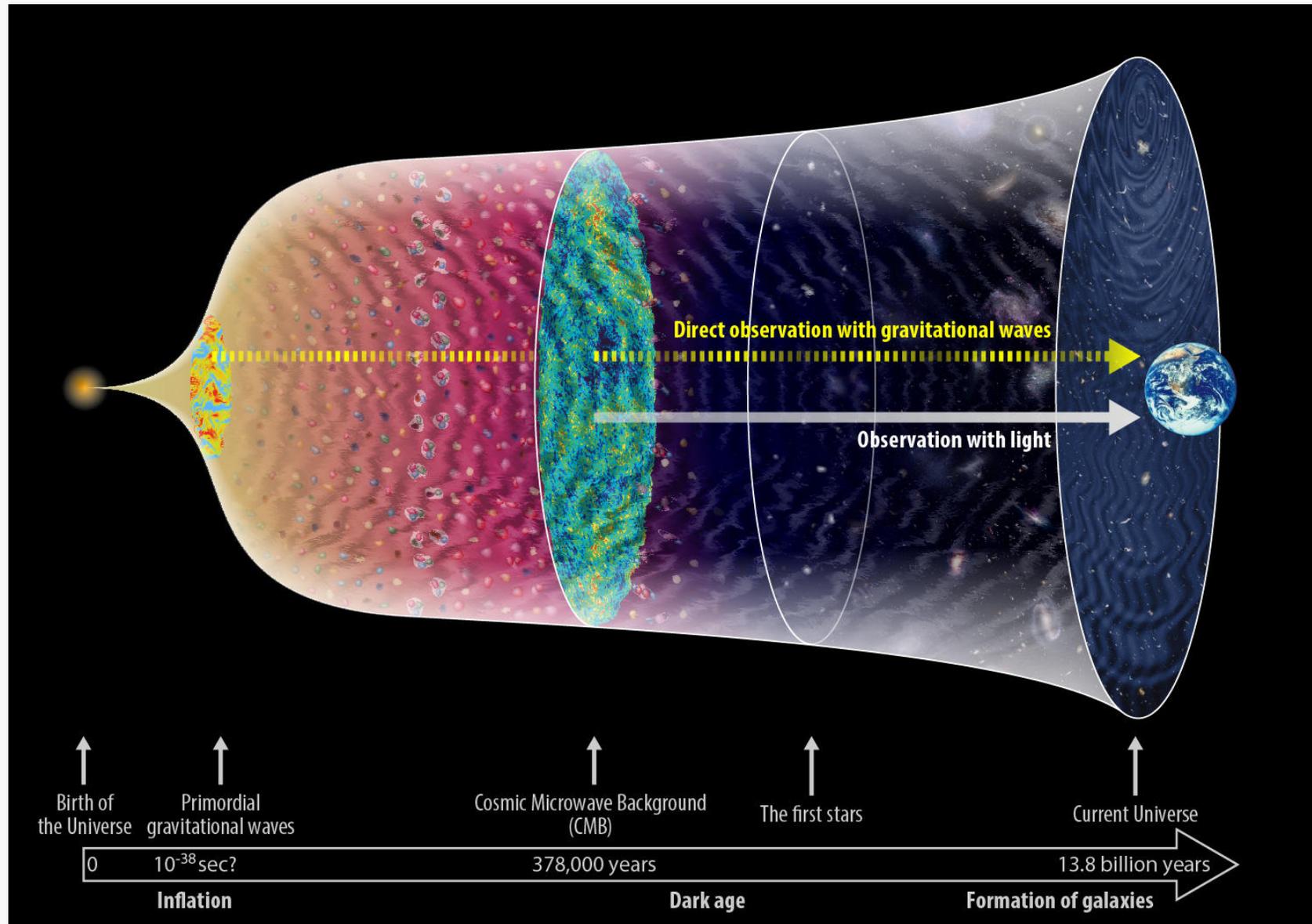


The Gravitational-Wave Spectrum



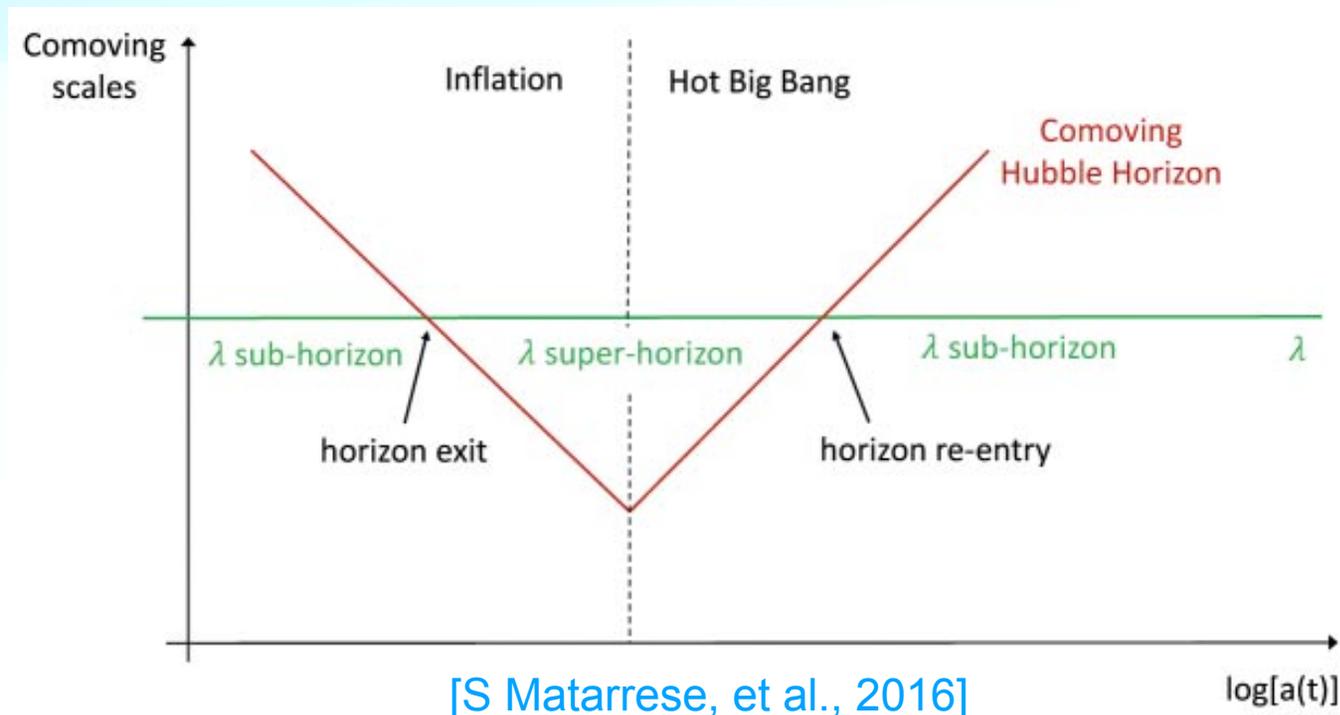
Sources of Gravitational Waves

[National Astronomical Observatory of Japan, gwpo.nao.ac.jp]

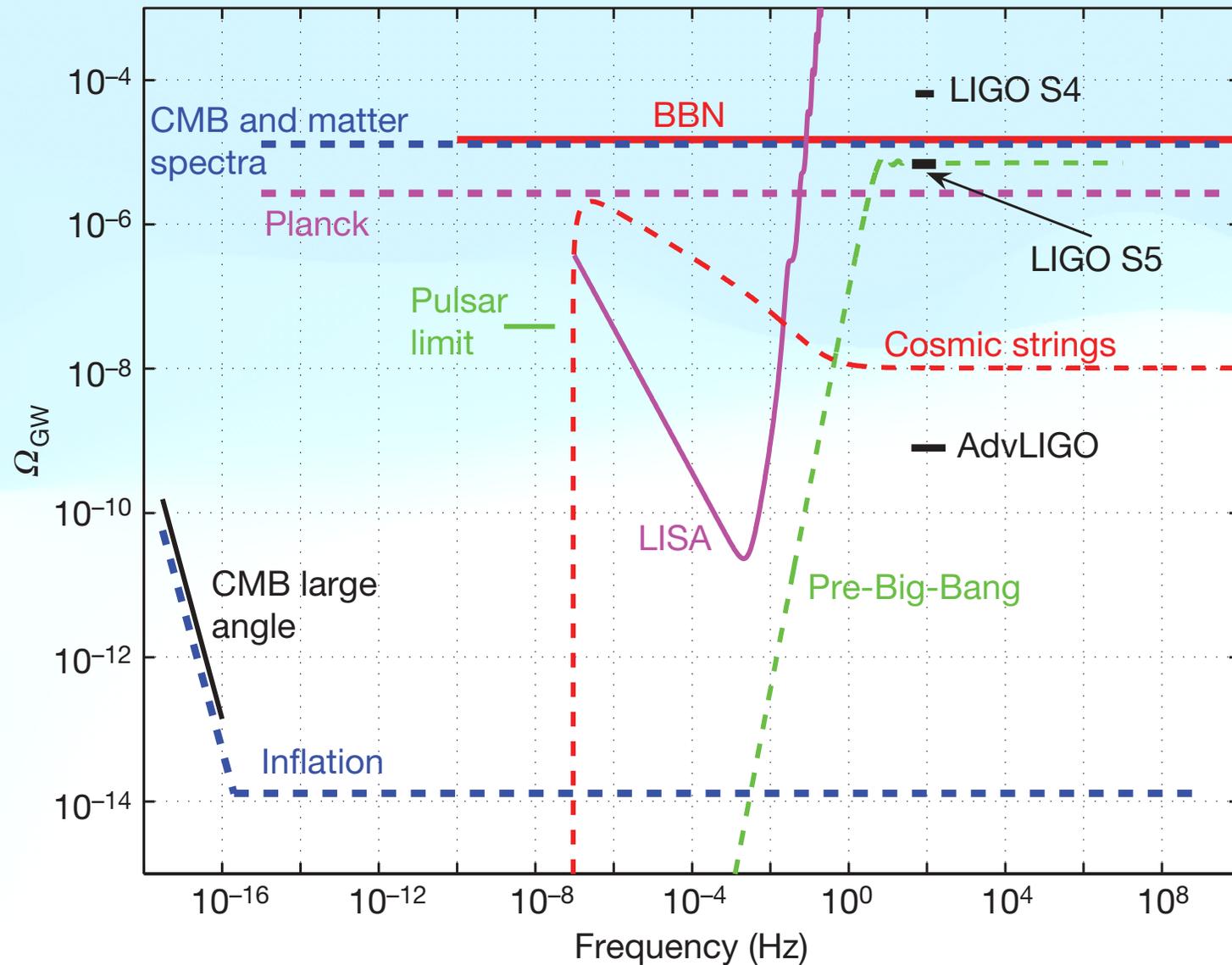


Inflation and Stochastic GW background

- Motivation for inflation
 - Universe is nearly spatially flat right now
 - the CMB is very homogeneous
- Inflation
 - The universe expanded very fast
 - Slow-roll inflation: a period where expansion rate is constant
 - Drives fluctuations in energy density and curvature of the universe.
 - Generates stochastic gravitational waves

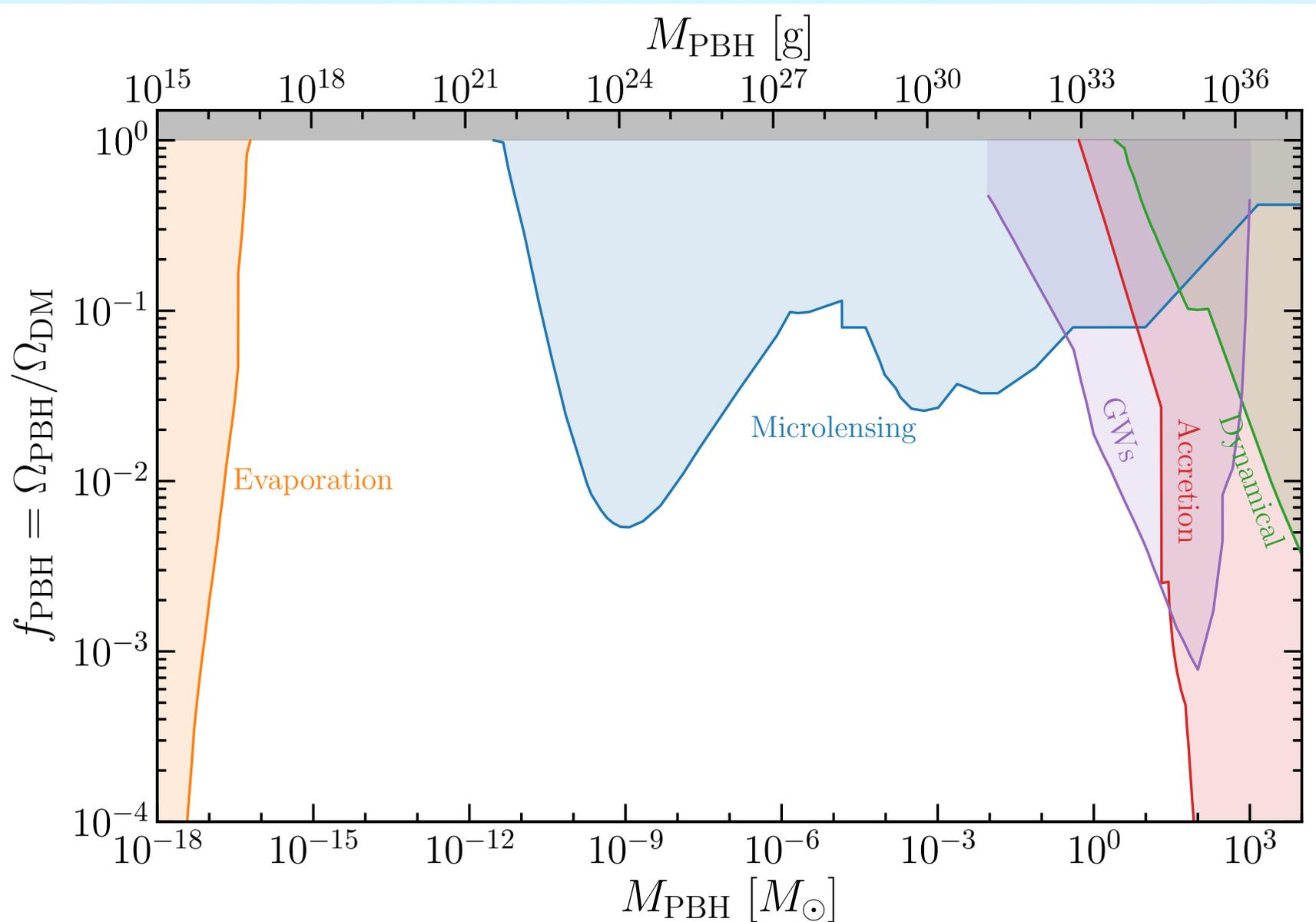


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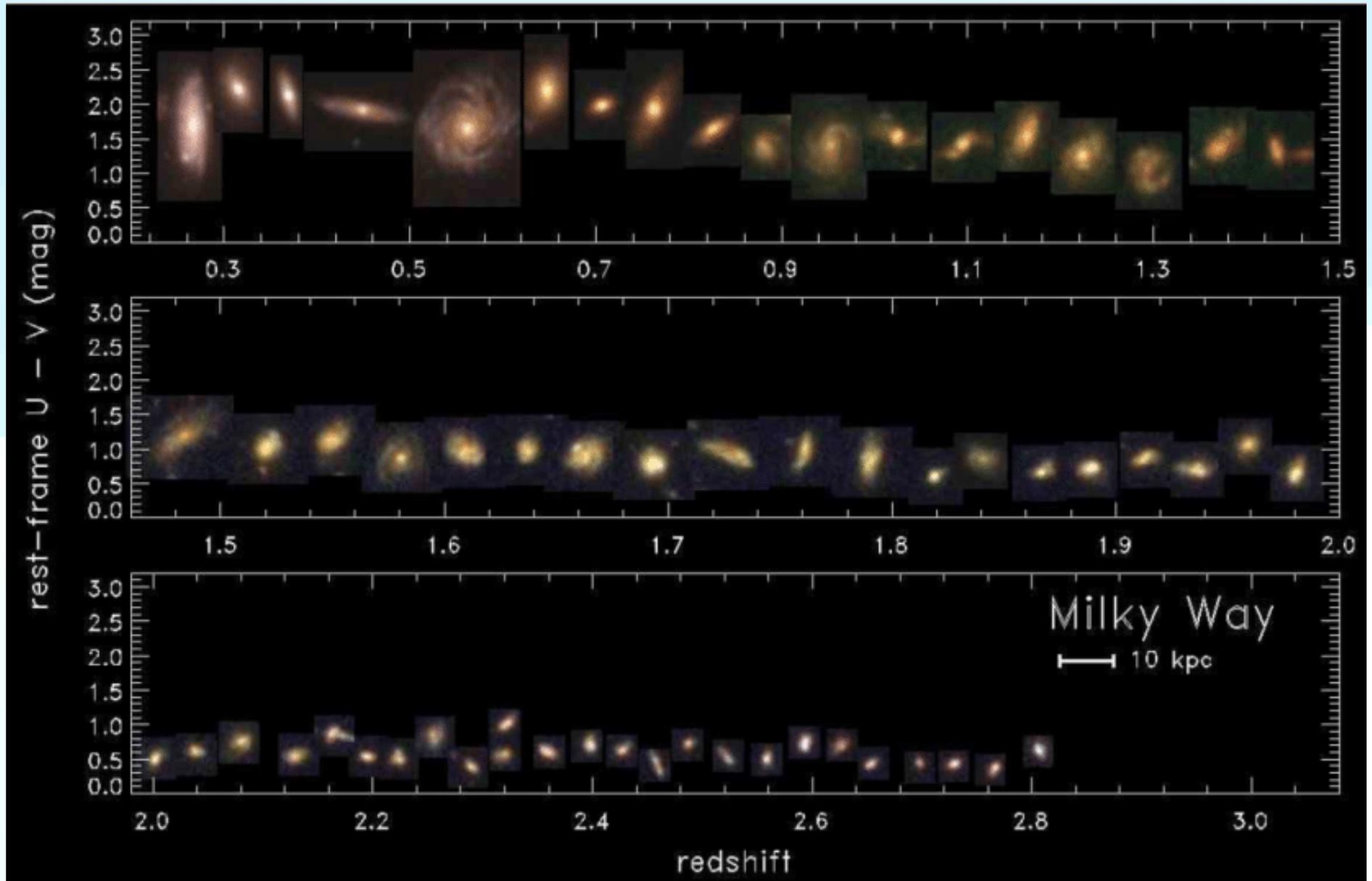
[LIGO-VIRGO Collaboration, 2009]

Constraints on Primordial Black Holes

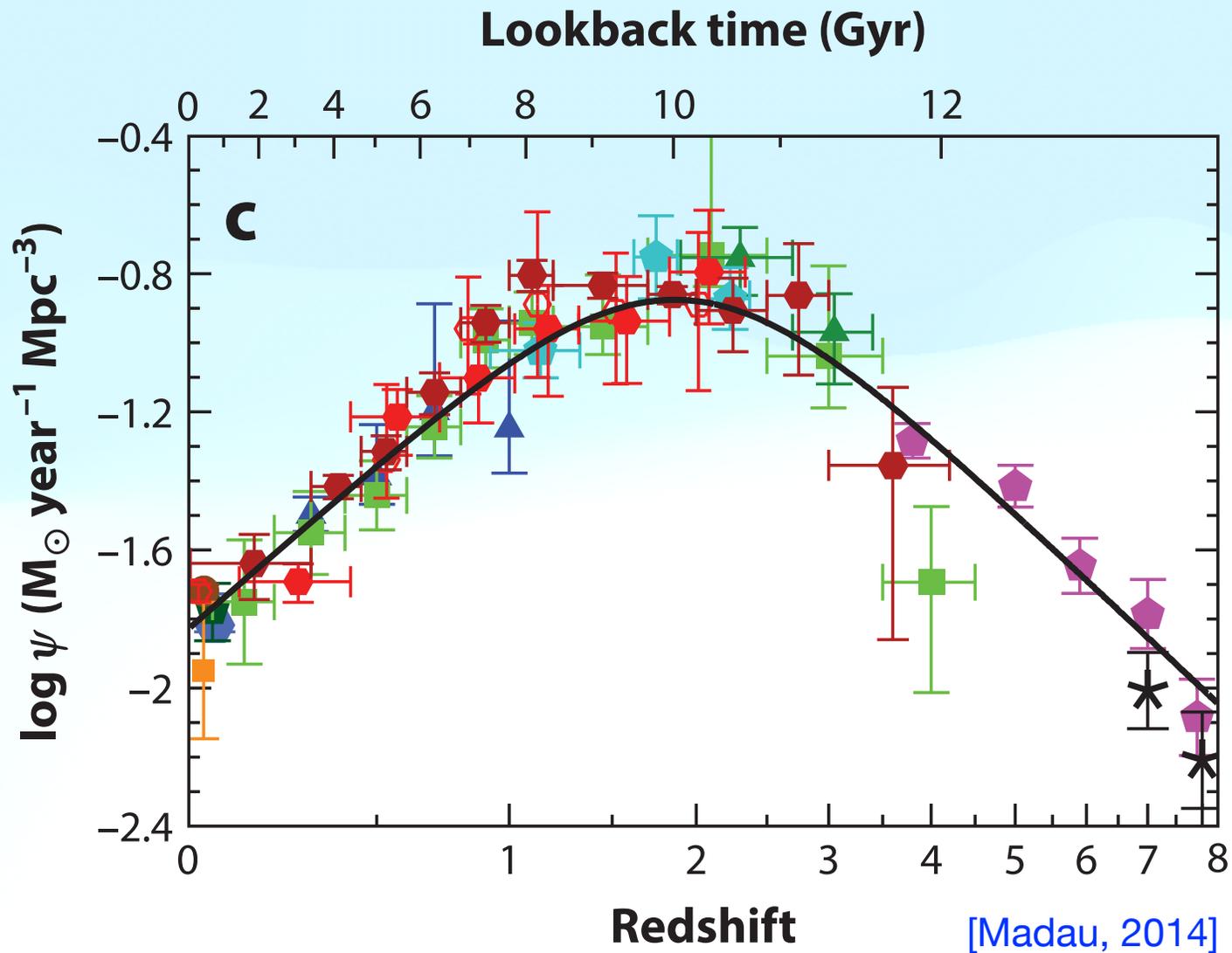


[Green & Kavanagh, 2021]

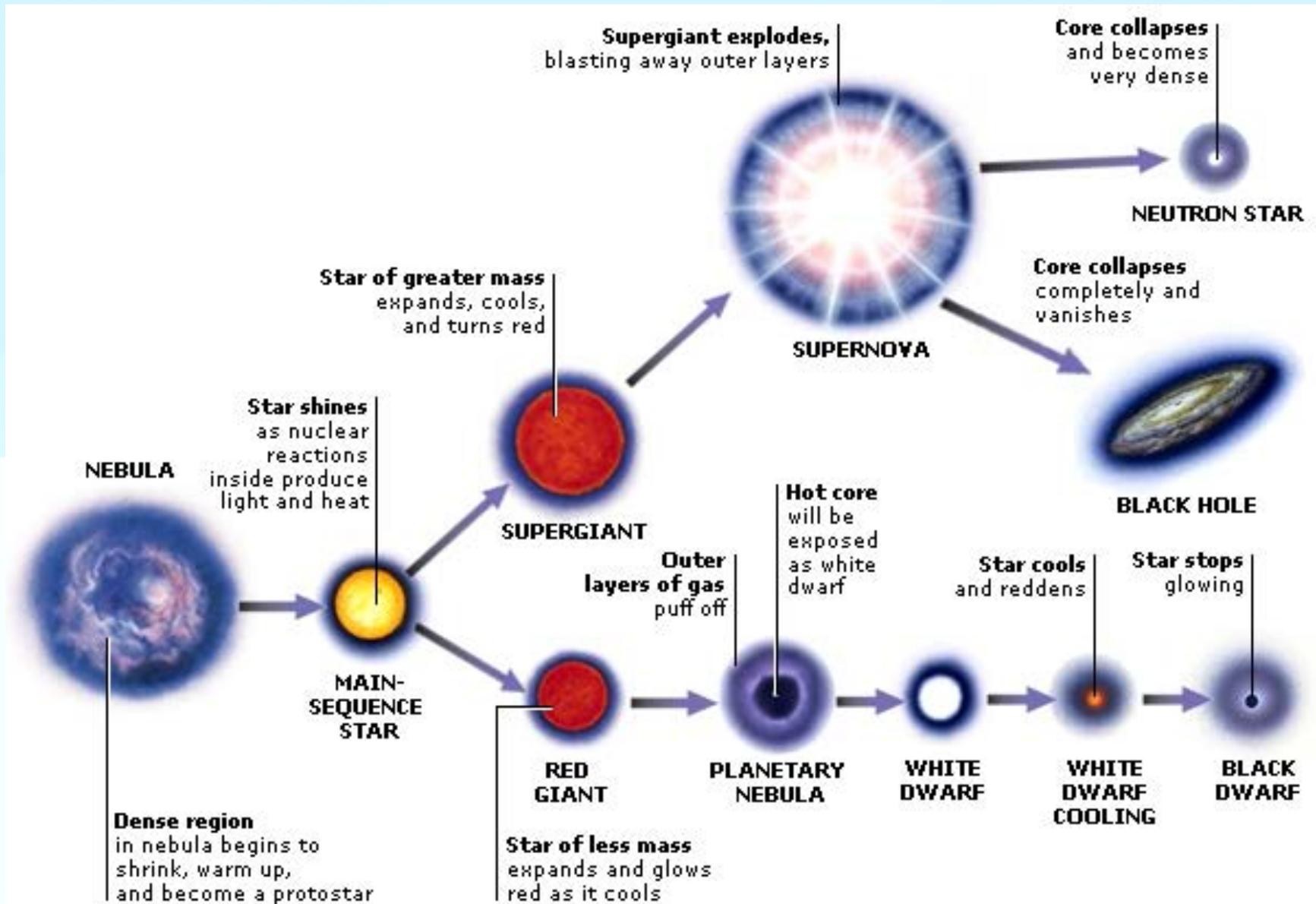
Formations of Galaxies



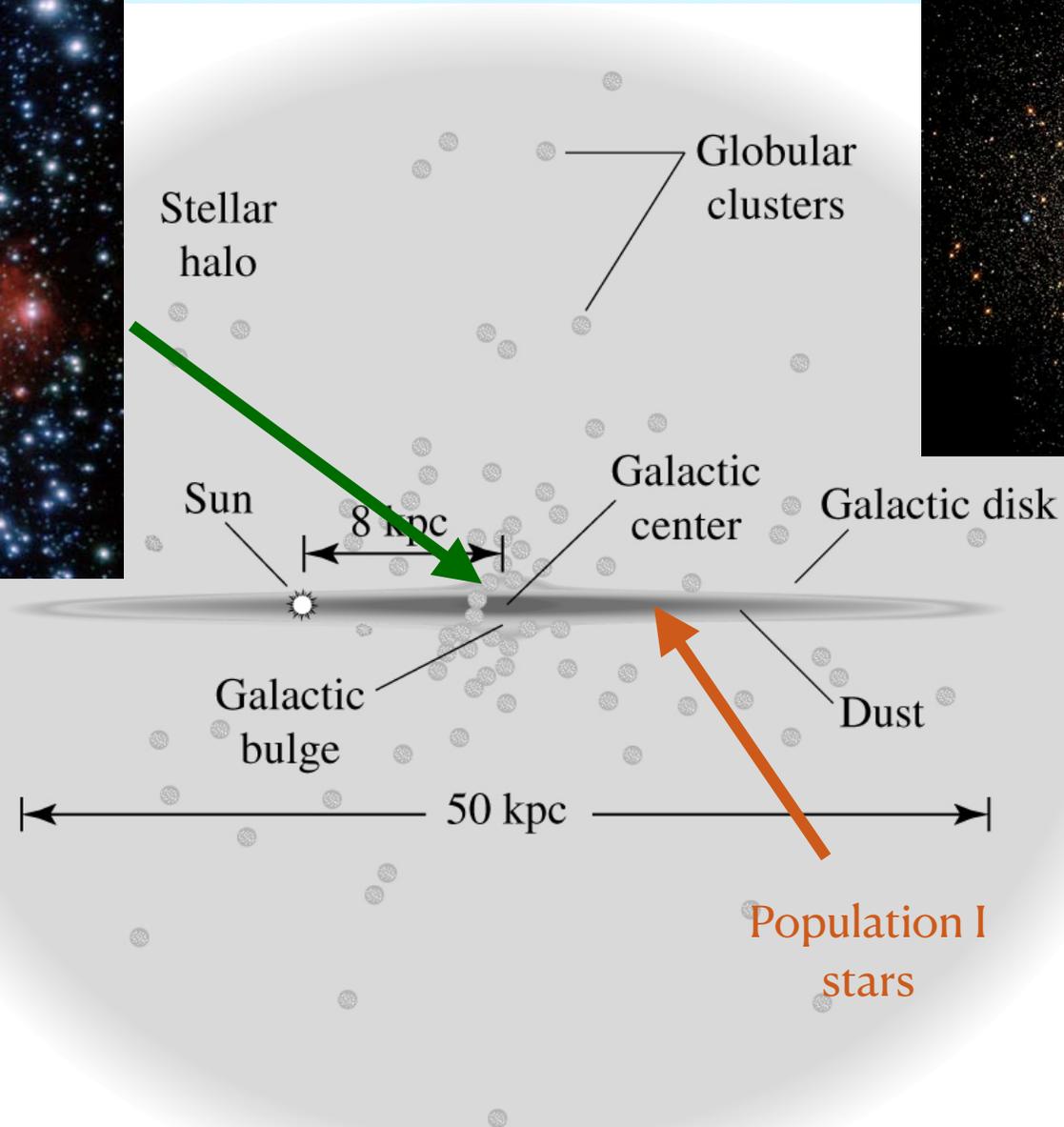
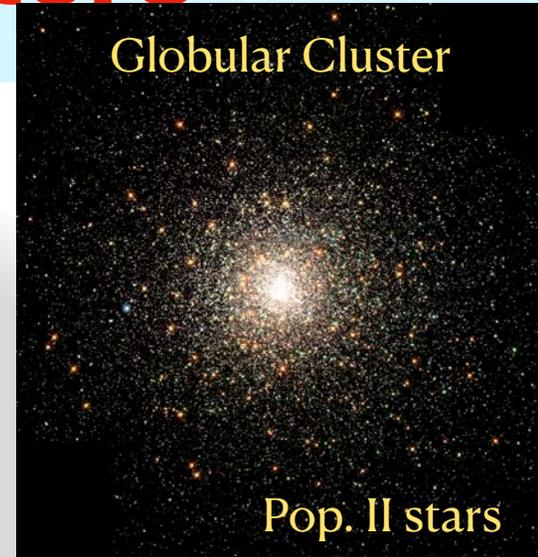
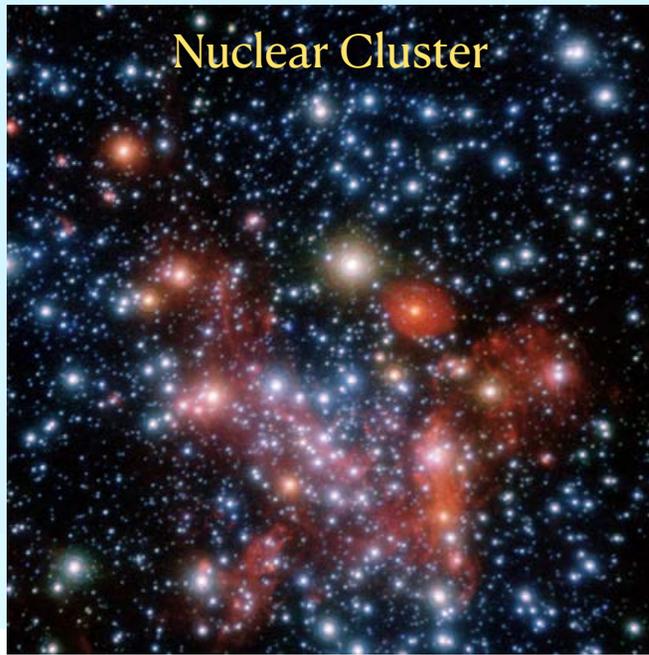
Stellar formation history



Stellar Evolution

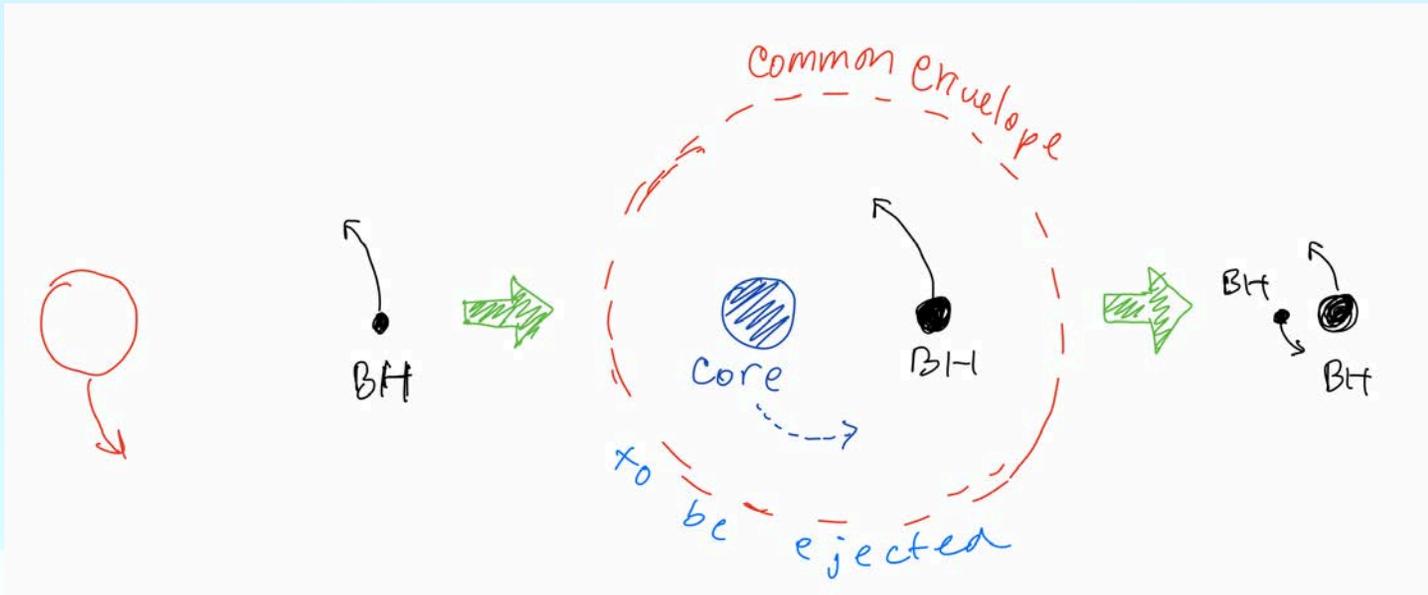


Galactic field versus clusters

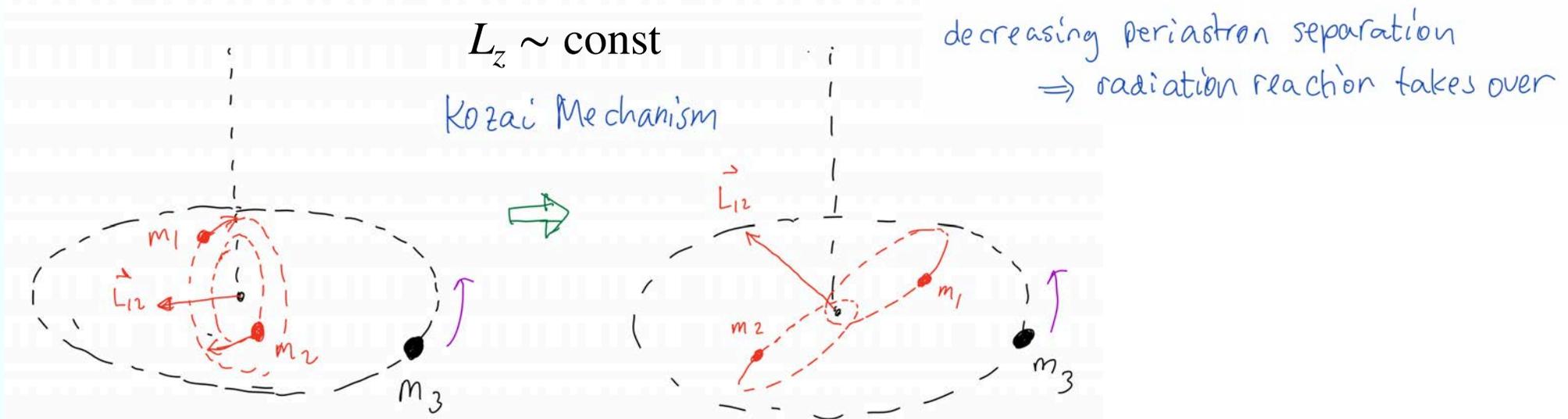


Formation of Merging Binaries

Binary stars that evolve into compact objects, and then become very close to each other

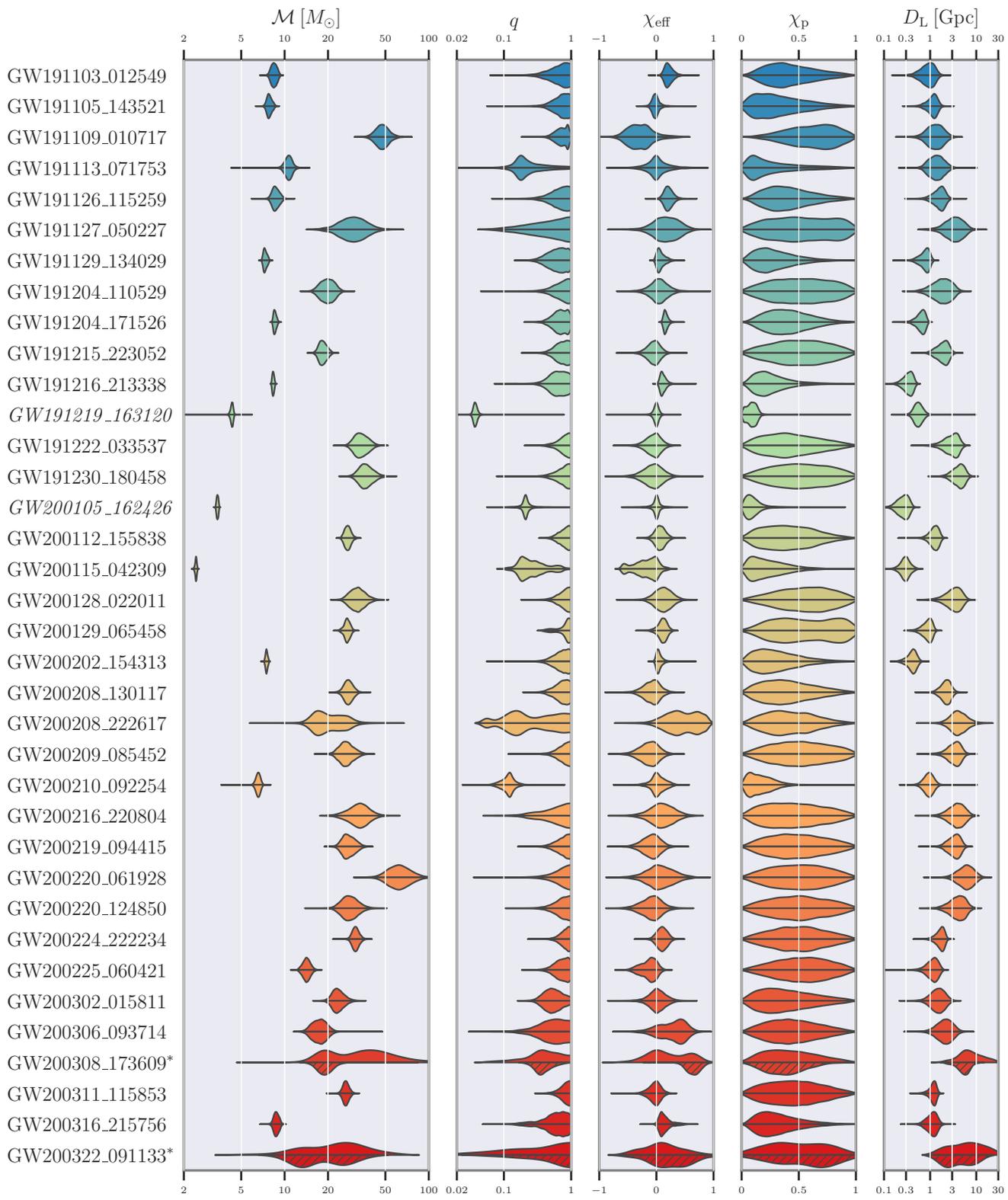


Binaries that form via triple or quadrupole interaction



Galactic field versus clusters

Galactic Field	Globular Clusters	Nuclear Clusters
<p>Core-Collapse Supernova</p> <p>Mass Gap between 50—65 and 130—160, due to Pair Instability.</p> <p>Low spins?</p>	<p>Dynamical formation due to close encounters</p> <p>Substantial Spin? [Equal-mass non- spinning binaries create $a/M \sim 0.7$]</p> <p>BH easily escape?</p>	<p>Dynamical formation due to close encounters, esp in migration traps</p> <p>Substantial Spin?</p> <p>BH may not escape? <i>Multiple Generations?</i> Signatures interacting with SMBH? Disk?</p>



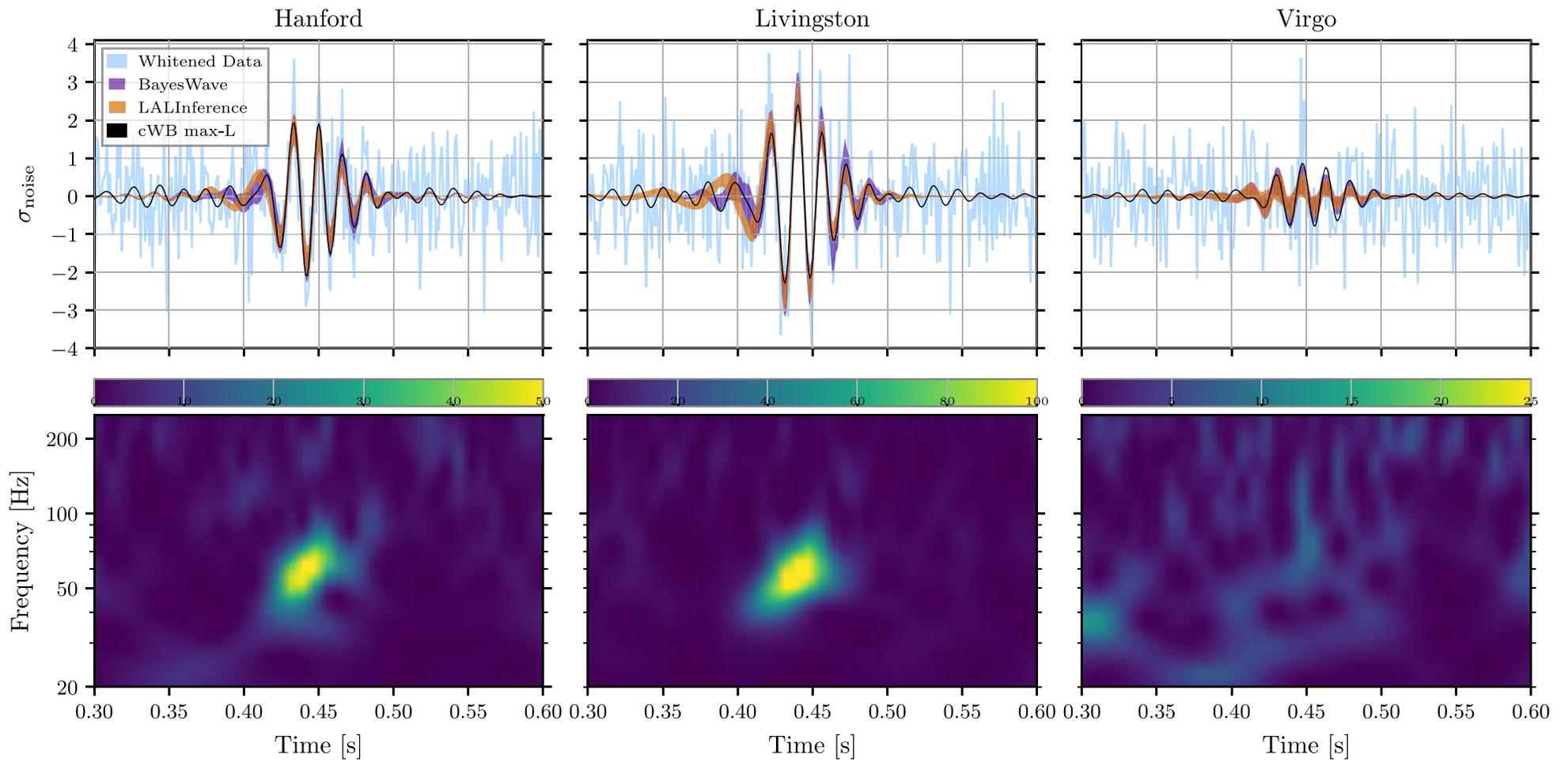
Effect of phase cumulation

$$\chi_{\text{eff}} = \frac{(m_1 \vec{\chi}_1 + m_2 \vec{\chi}_2) \cdot \hat{L}_N}{M},$$

Effect of precessions

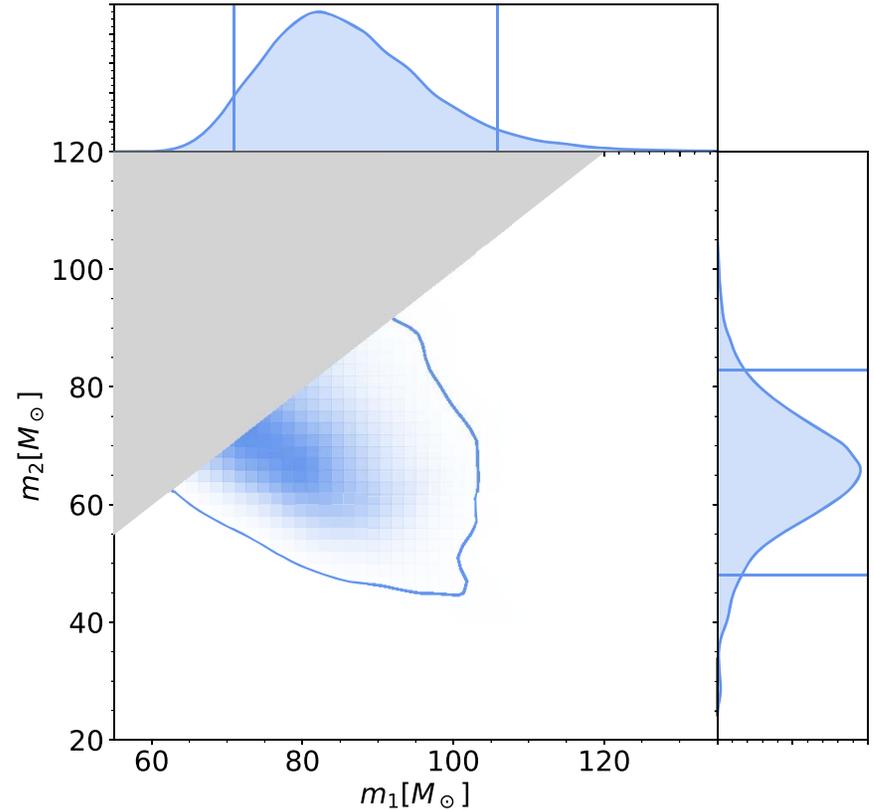
$$\chi_p = \max \left\{ \chi_{1,\perp}, \frac{q(4q+3)}{4+3q} \chi_{2,\perp} \right\},$$

GW190521



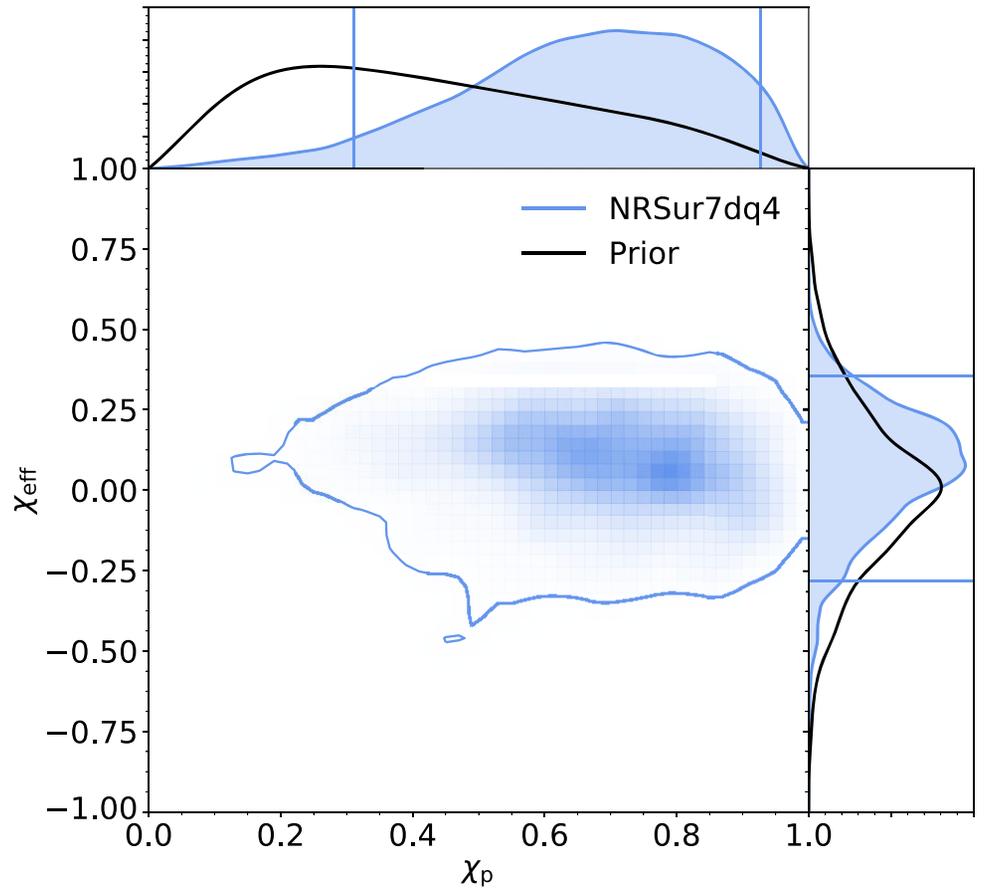
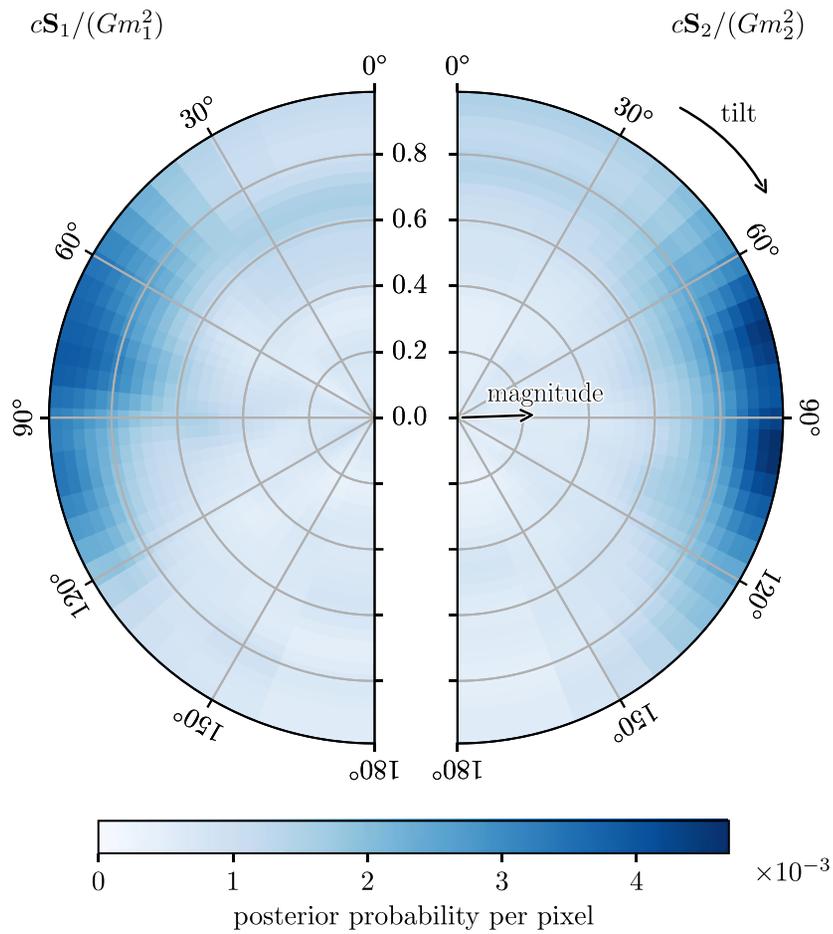
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Parameter	
Primary mass	$85^{+21}_{-14} M_{\odot}$
Secondary mass	$66^{+17}_{-18} M_{\odot}$
Primary spin magnitude	$0.69^{+0.27}_{-0.62}$
Secondary spin magnitude	$0.73^{+0.24}_{-0.64}$
Total mass	$150^{+29}_{-17} M_{\odot}$
Mass ratio ($m_2/m_1 \leq 1$)	$0.79^{+0.19}_{-0.29}$
Effective inspiral spin parameter (χ_{eff})	$0.08^{+0.27}_{-0.36}$
Effective precession spin parameter (χ_p)	$0.68^{+0.25}_{-0.37}$
Luminosity Distance	$5.3^{+2.4}_{-2.6} \text{ Gpc}$
Redshift	$0.82^{+0.28}_{-0.34}$
Final mass	$142^{+28}_{-16} M_{\odot}$
Final spin	$0.72^{+0.09}_{-0.12}$
P ($m_1 < 65 M_{\odot}$)	0.32%
\log_{10} Bayes factor for orbital precession	$1.06^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$
\log_{10} Bayes factor for nonzero spins	$0.92^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$
\log_{10} Bayes factor for higher harmonics	$-0.38^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$

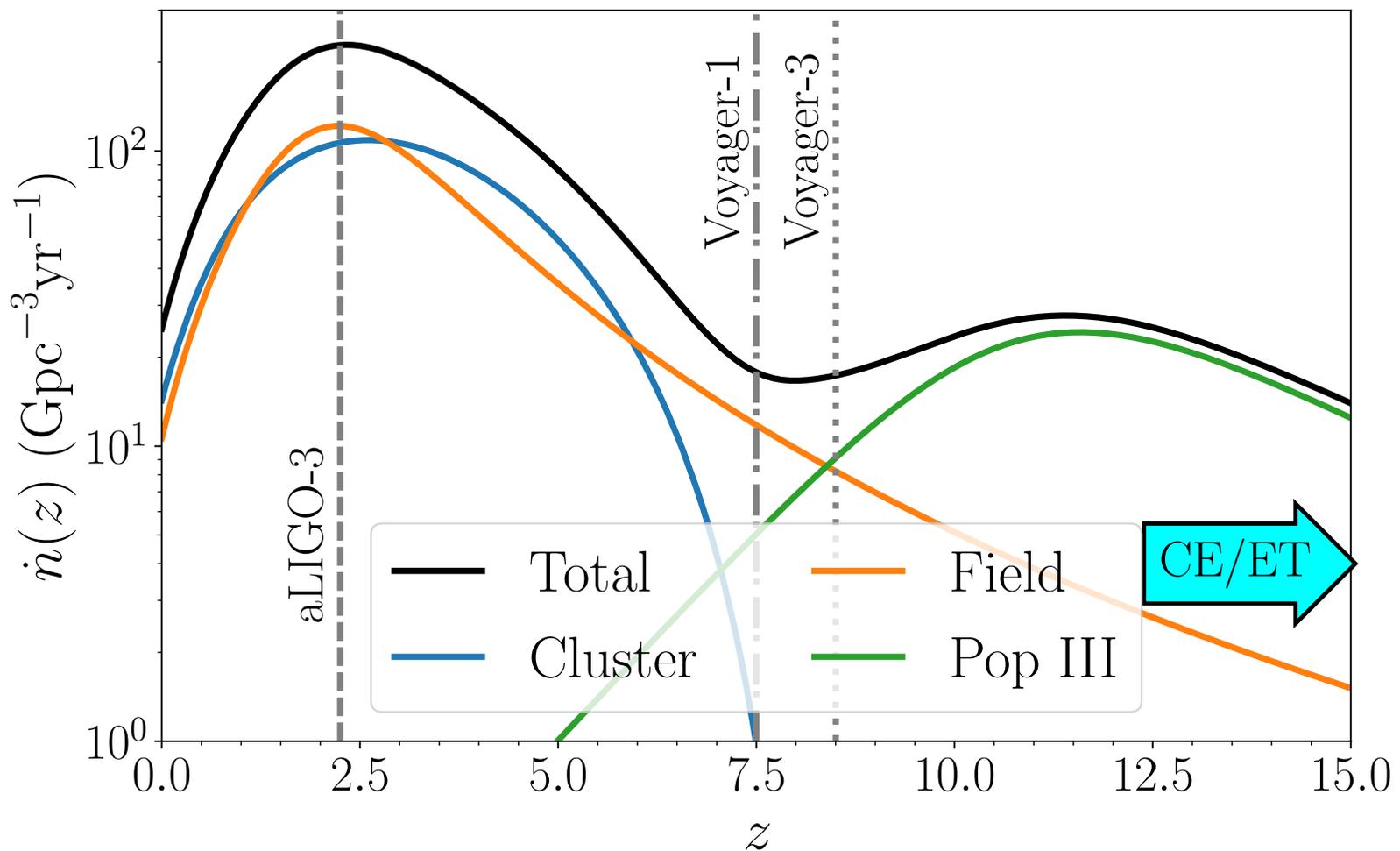


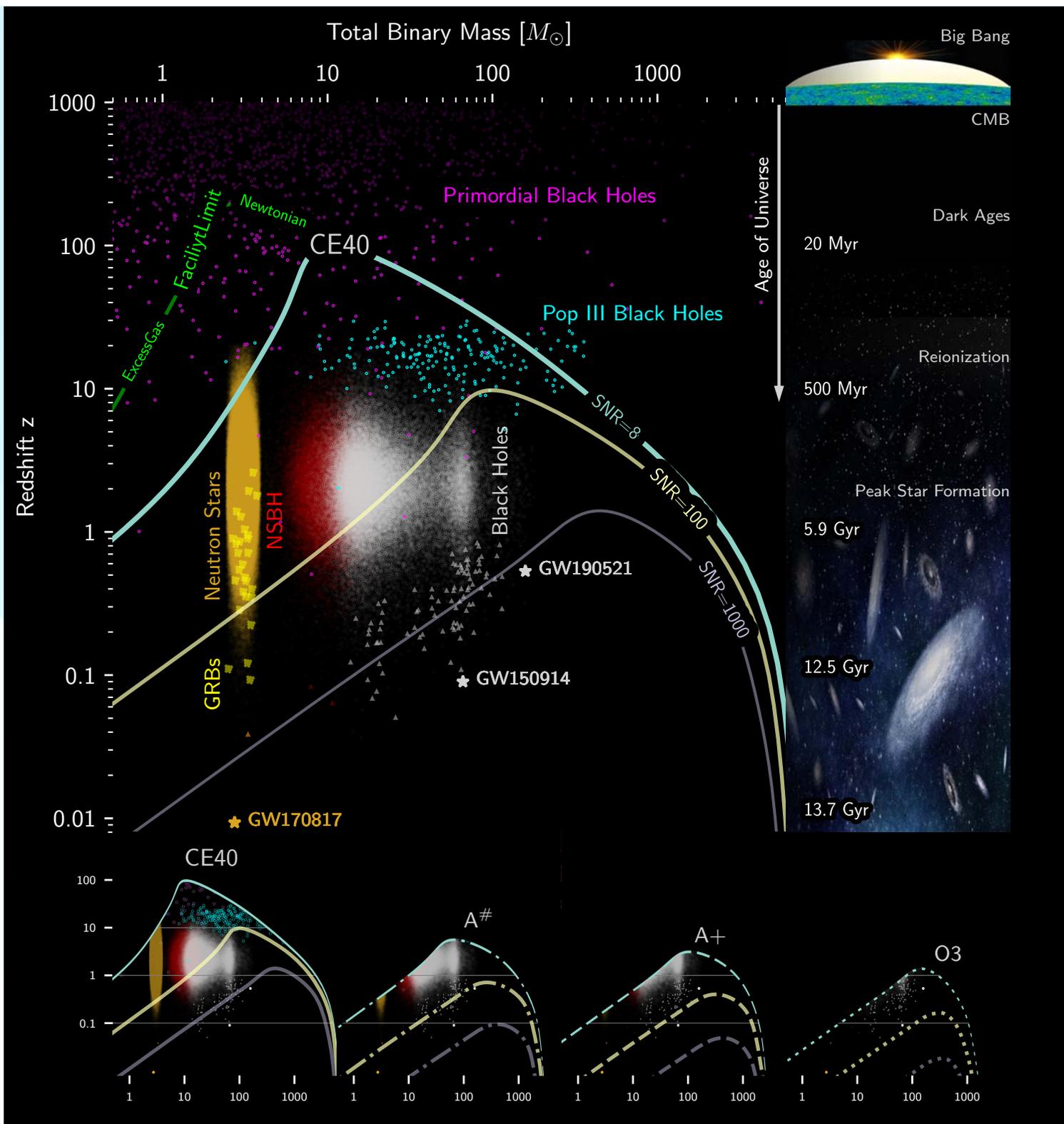
- Massive
- May have orbital precessions.

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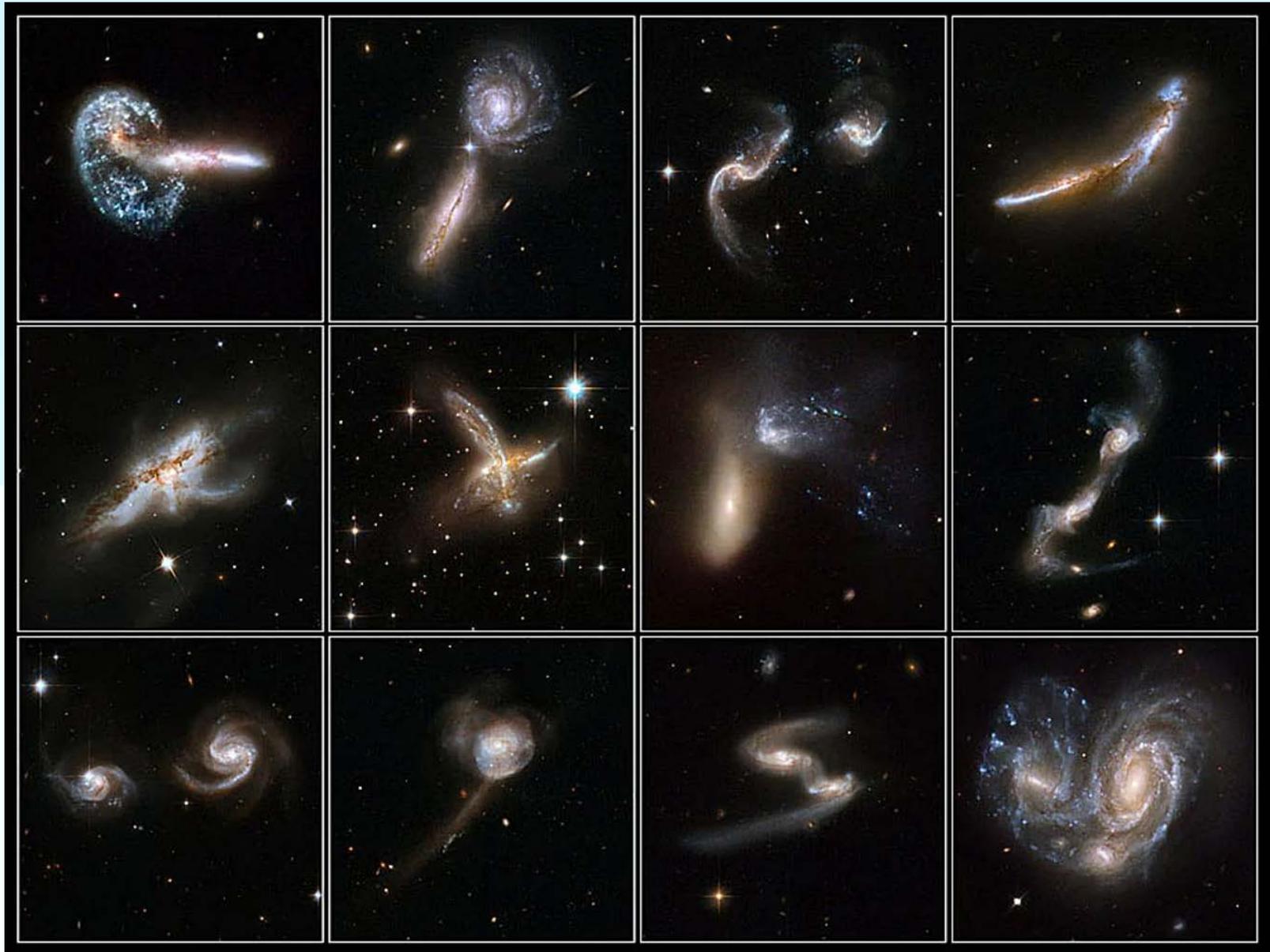


Population III stars



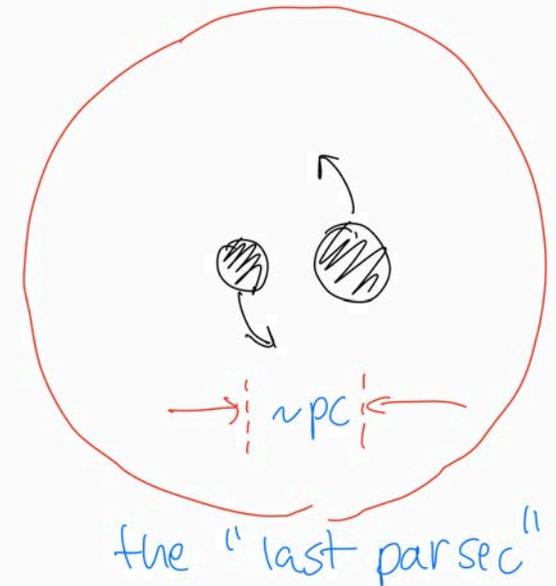
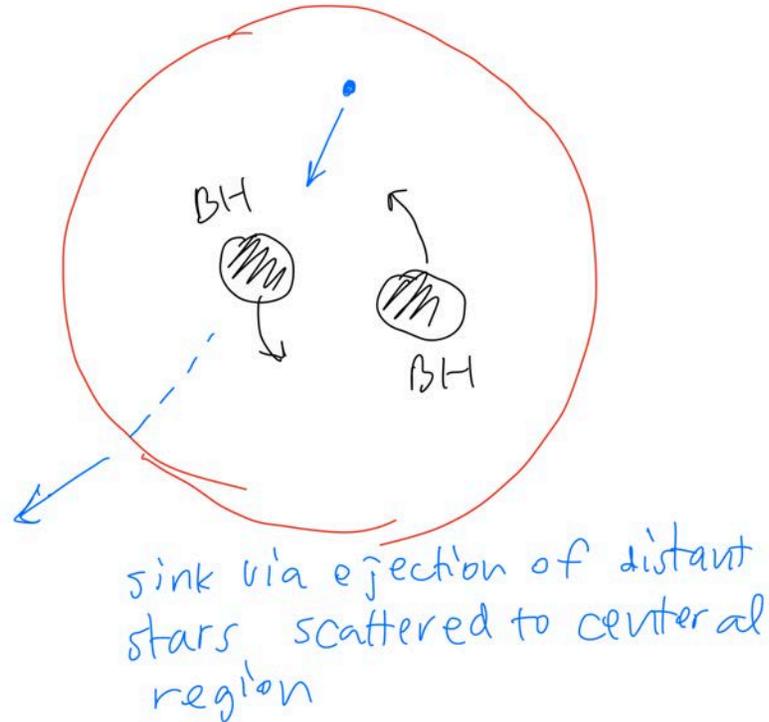
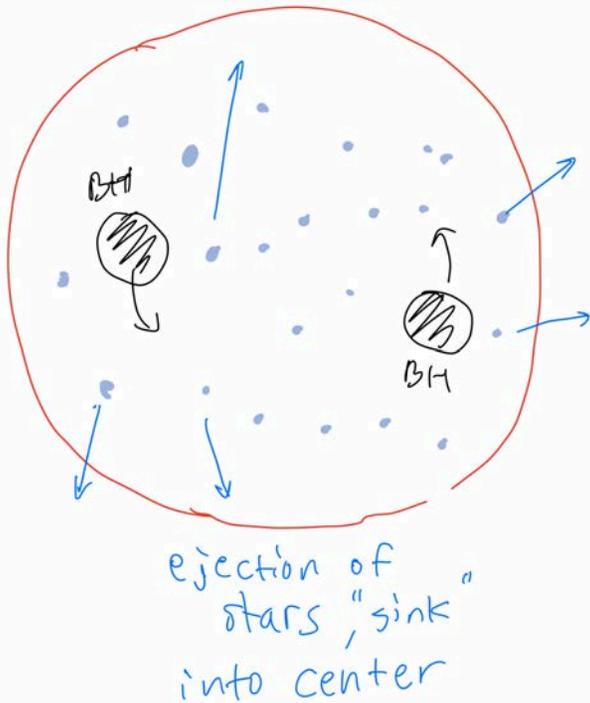


Collisions of Galaxies and their BHs



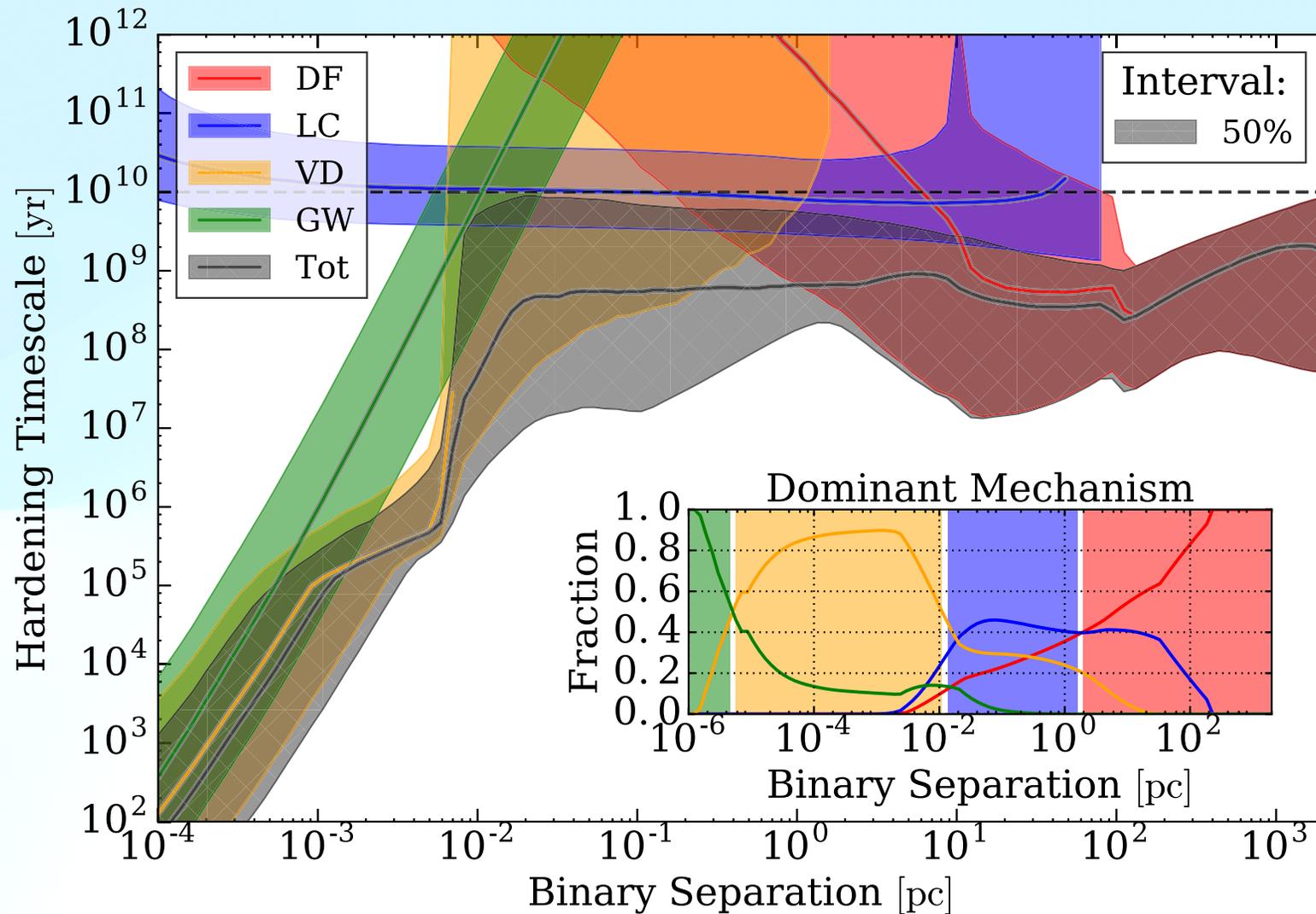
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Collisions of Galaxies and their BHs



"Hardening" of Super-Massive Black Holes after a galaxy merger [Begelman, Blandford, Rees, 1980]

Hardening of SMBH Binaries

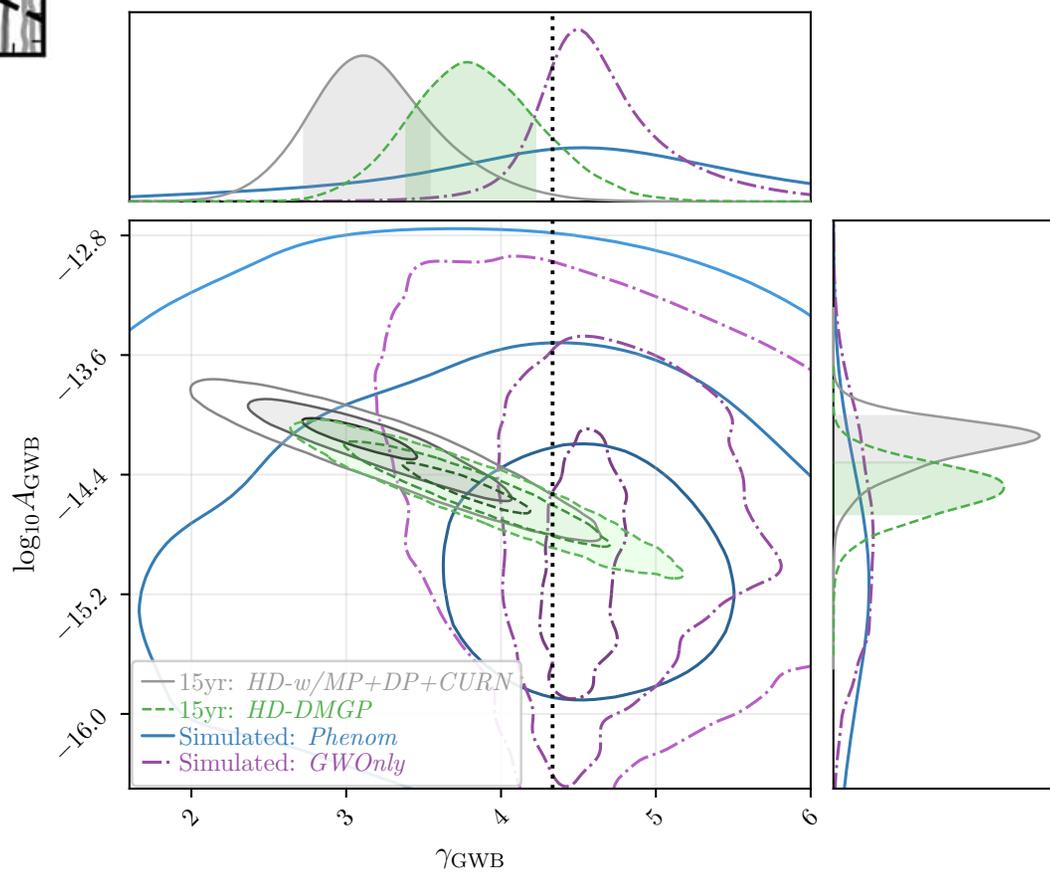
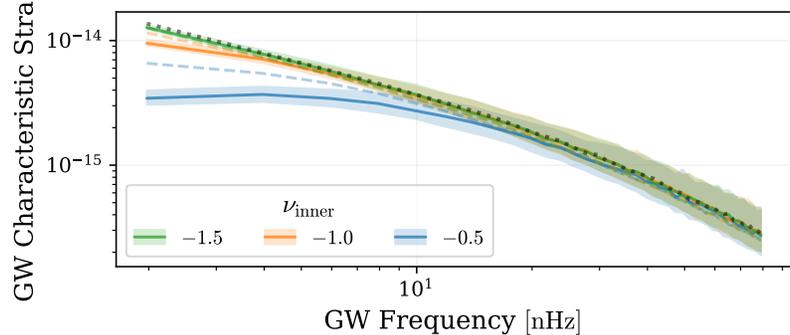
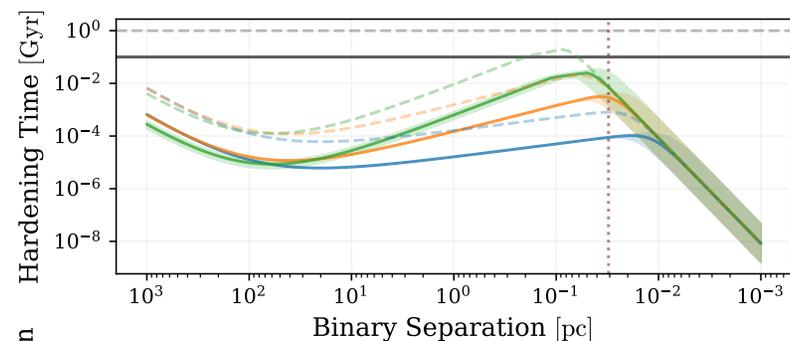
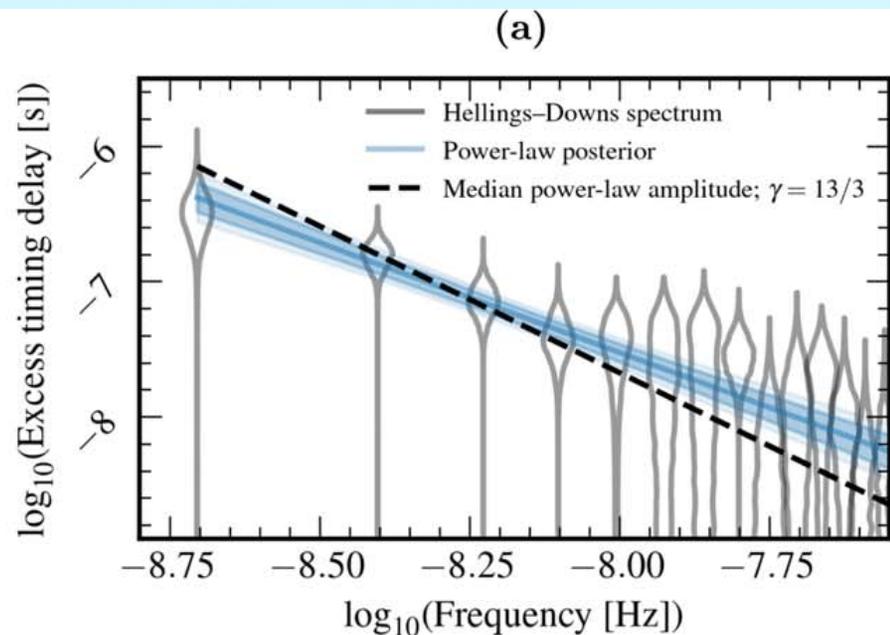


[Kelly, Blechia and Hernquist, 2017]

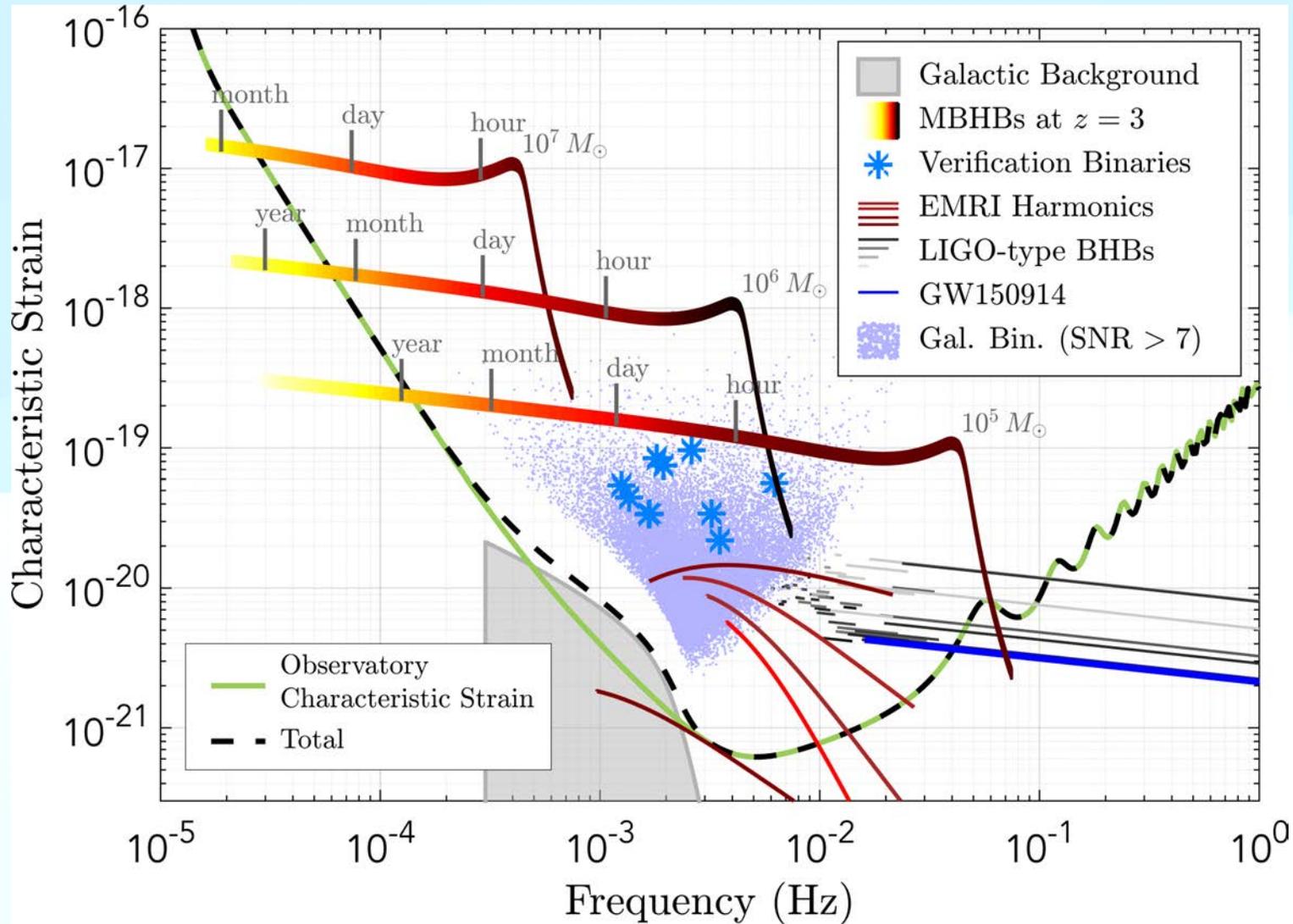
Stochastic Background from SMBH Mergers

Mechanisms for hardening below parsec scale can be uncertain.

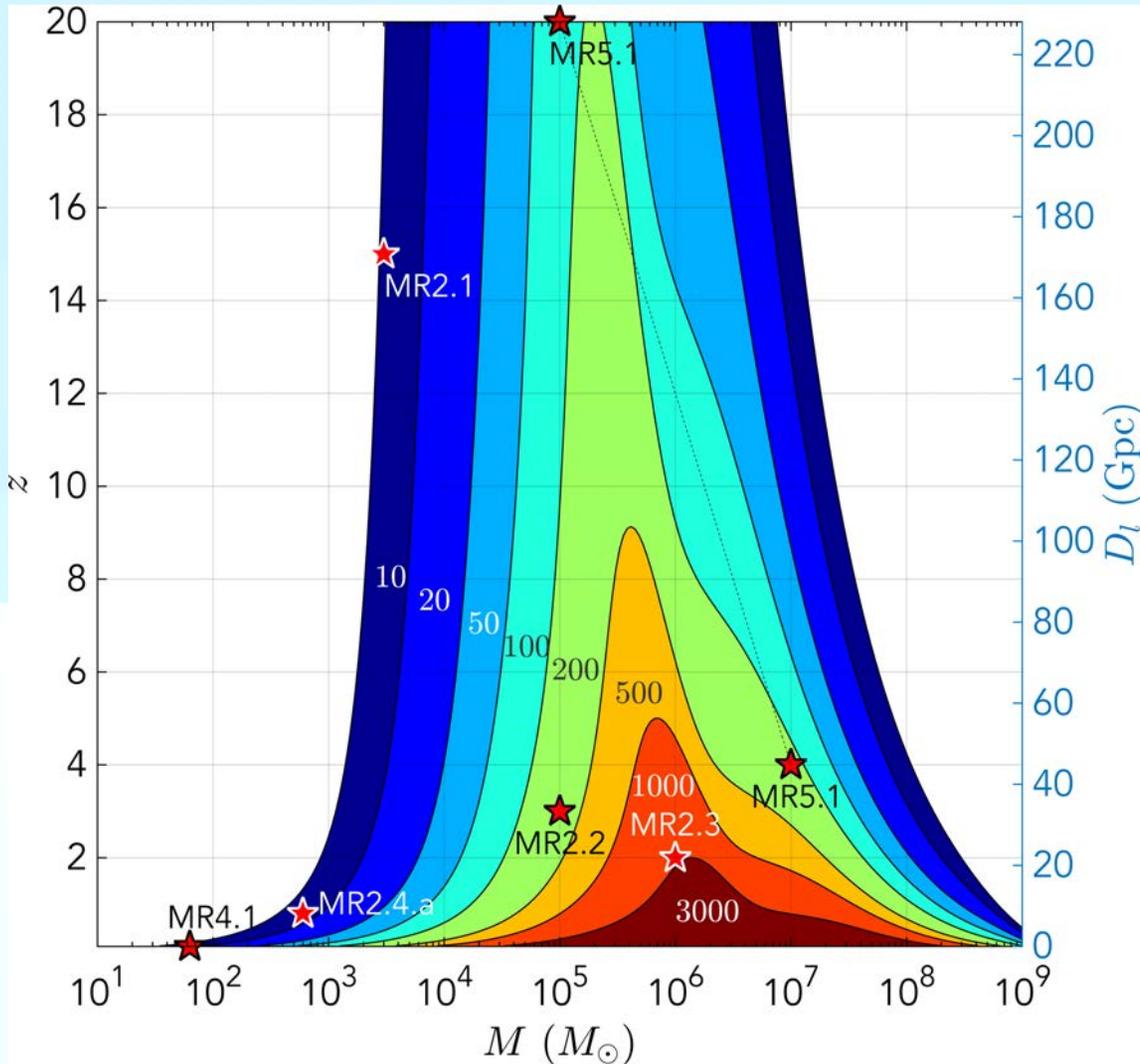
[Gabriella Agazie, 2023]



LISA Sources



SMBH Binaries for LISA

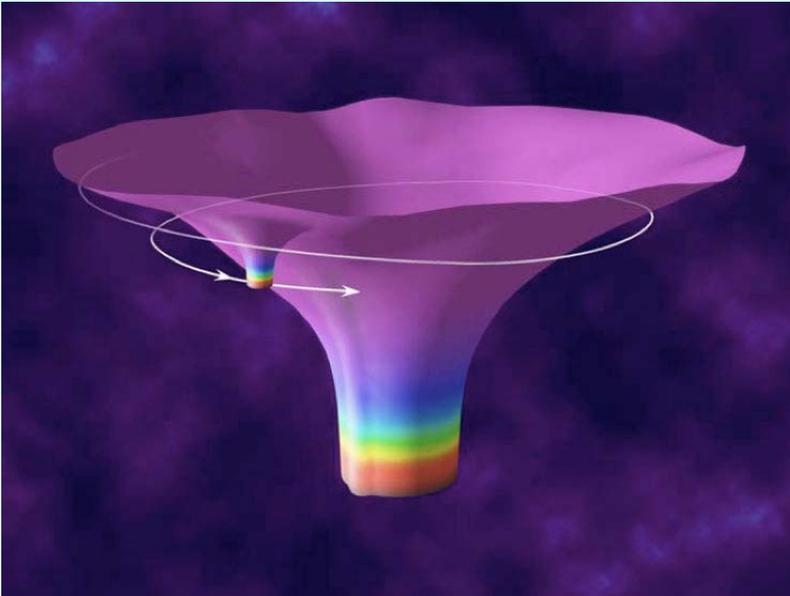


SNR for $q = 0.2$ binaries with total mass M .
[K. Danzmann et al., LISA Proposal]

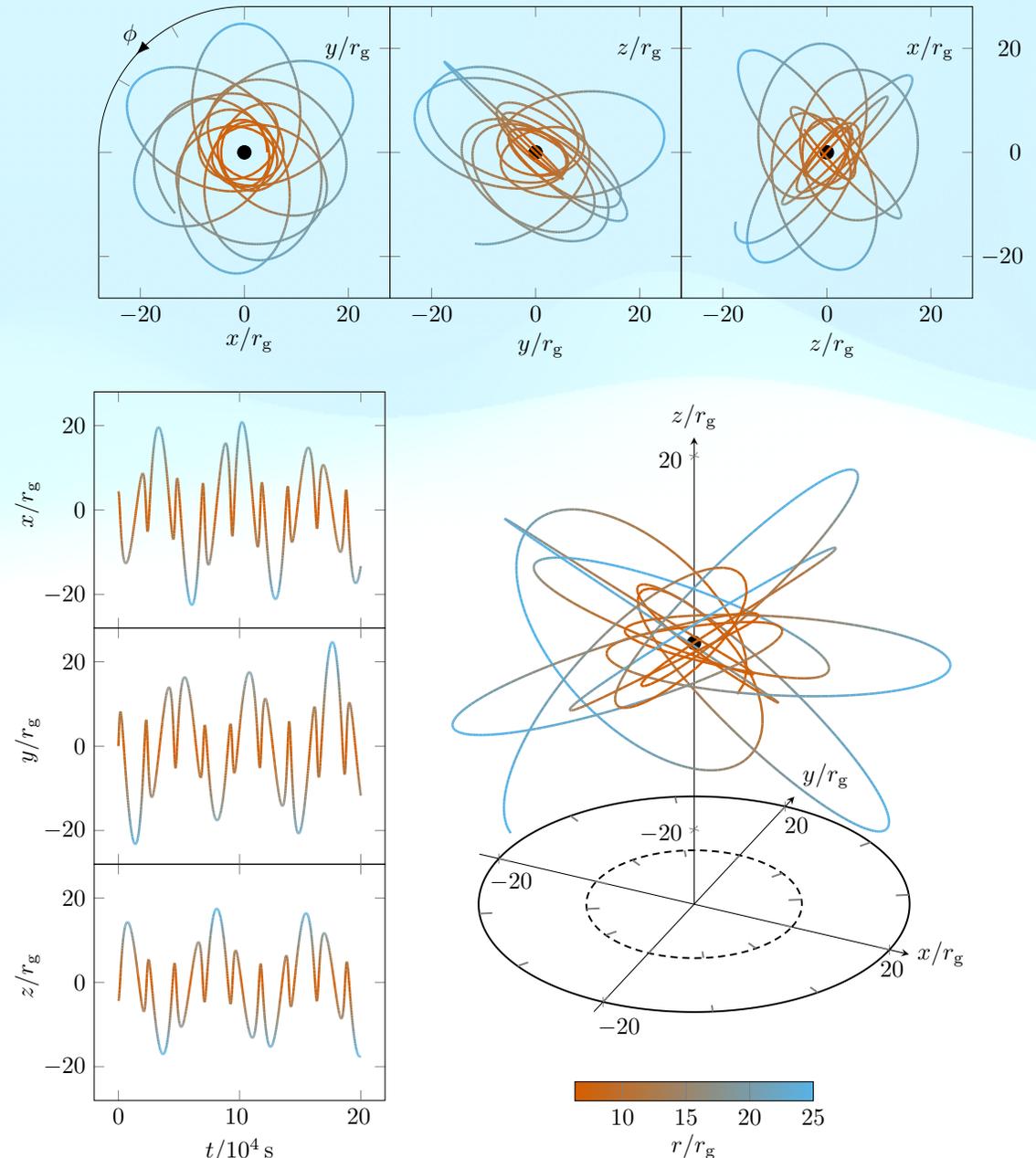
... from LISA Proposal

- “Trace the origin, growth and merger history of massive black holes across cosmic ages
- Search for seed black holes at cosmic dawn
- Study the growth mechanism of MBHs from the epoch of the earliest quasars
- Observation of EM counterparts to unveil the astrophysical environment around merging binaries
- Test the existence of Intermediate Mass Black Hole Binaries (IMBHBs)”

Extreme Mass Ratio Inspirals (EMRIs)

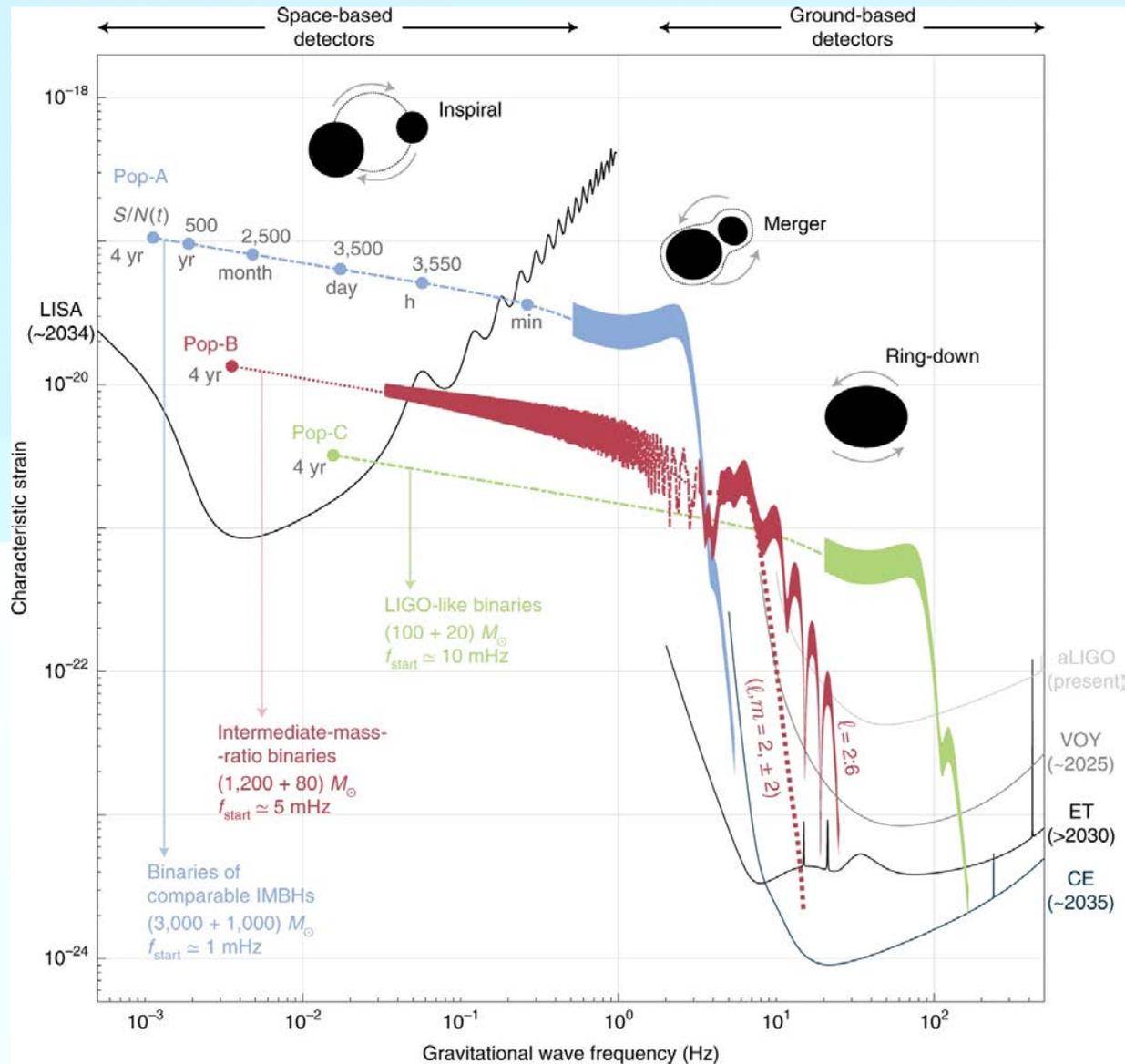


- Stellar-mass object circles SMBH for long many cycles.
- Can be treated with black-hole perturbation theory (second order): interesting theoretical problem.
- Maps space-time geometry around and astrophysical environments around SMBH .
- Form via direct capture & tidal disruption of stellar-mass binaries. Enhanced for SMBH binaries.



[C. Berry et al., 2020 White Paper]

Multi-Band Observations



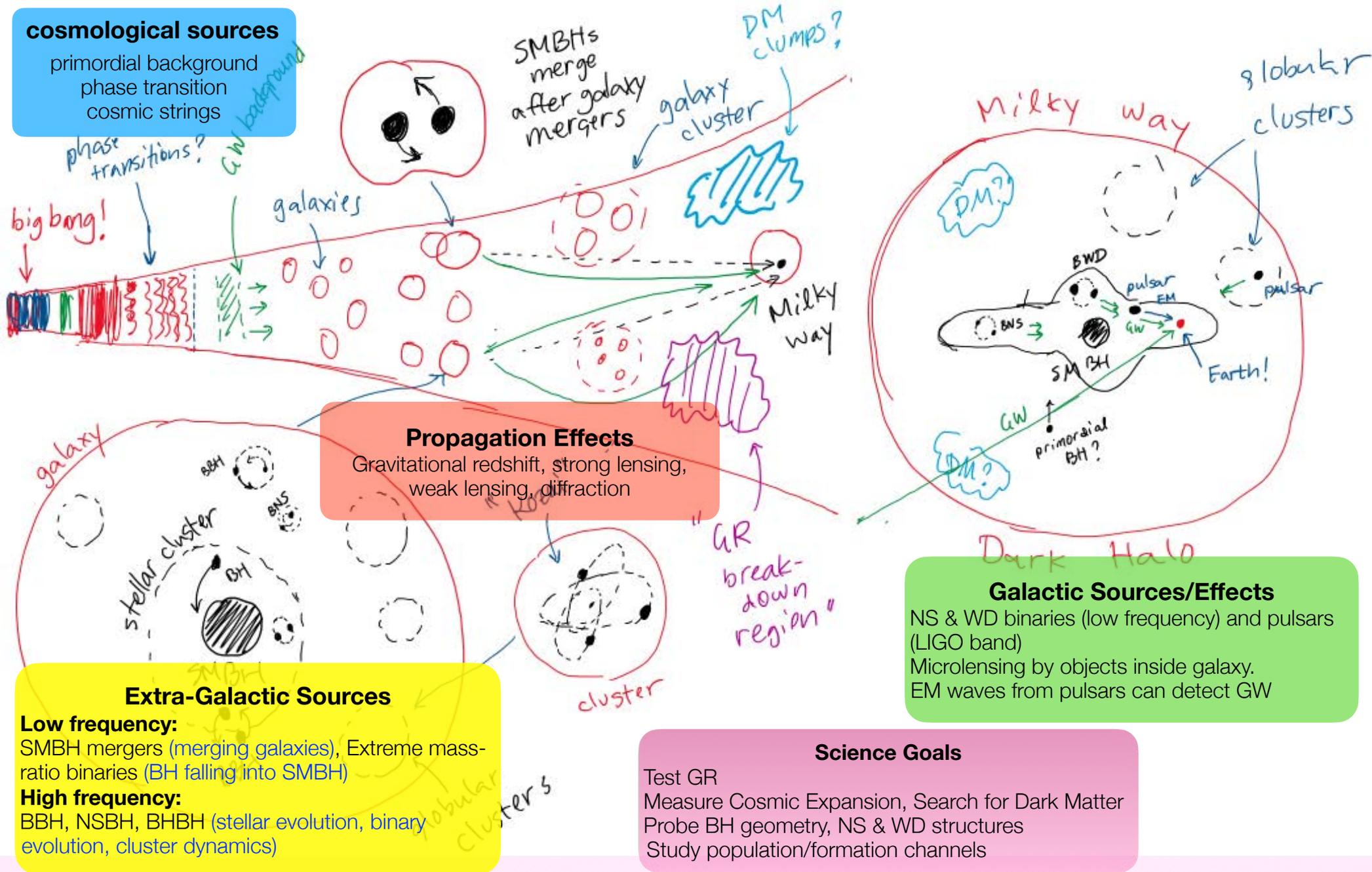
- Adding Deci-Hertz detector (e.g., DECIGO, TOBA) will be more productive!
- **Triple systems offer more opportunities!**

[Jani, Shoemaker and Cutler, 2020]

Summary of Lecture 2

cosmological sources

primordial background
phase transition
cosmic strings



Propagation Effects

Gravitational redshift, strong lensing,
weak lensing, diffraction

Galactic Sources/Effects

NS & WD binaries (low frequency) and pulsars (LIGO band)
Microlensing by objects inside galaxy.
EM waves from pulsars can detect GW

Extra-Galactic Sources

Low frequency:

SMBH mergers (merging galaxies), Extreme mass-ratio binaries (BH falling into SMBH)

High frequency:

BBH, NSBH, BHBH (stellar evolution, binary evolution, cluster dynamics)

Science Goals

Test GR
Measure Cosmic Expansion, Search for Dark Matter
Probe BH geometry, NS & WD structures
Study population/formation channels