

Astronomy's "Next Big Thing:" What can we expect from direct gravitational-wave observations?

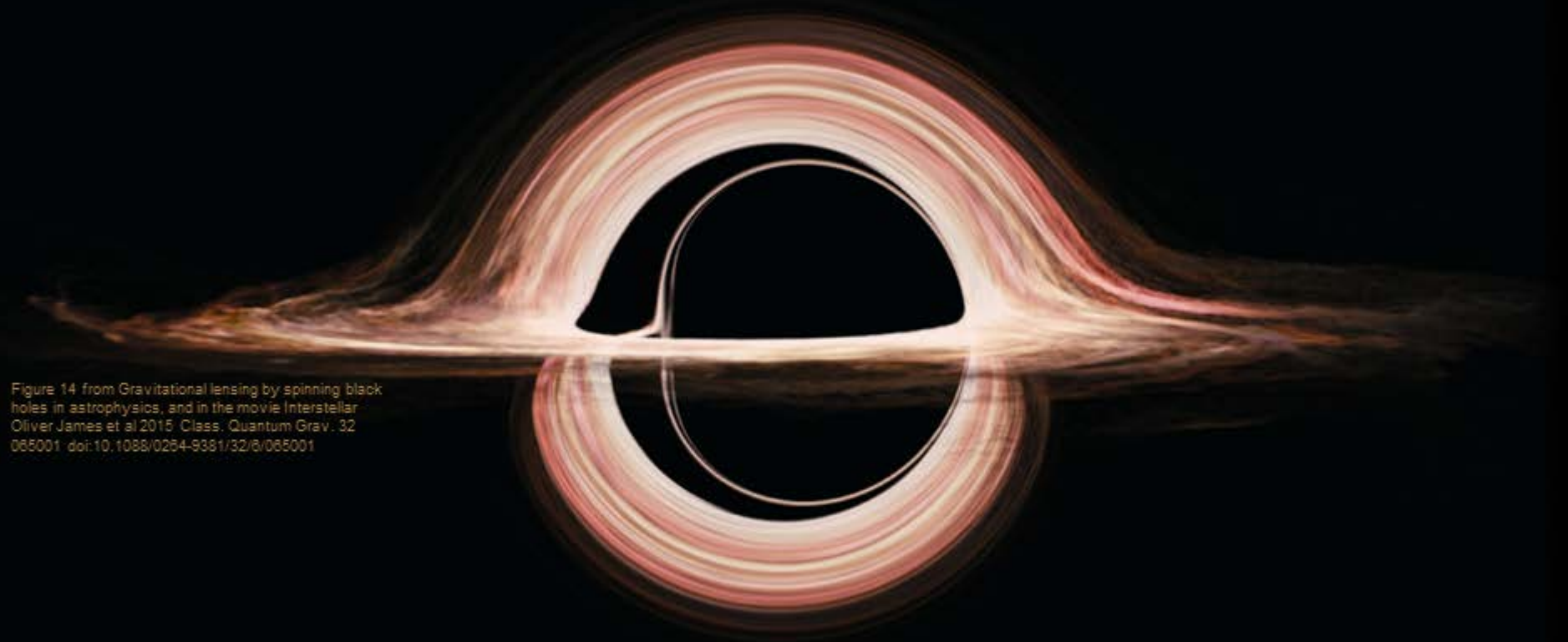


Figure 14 from Gravitational lensing by spinning black holes in astrophysics, and in the movie Interstellar
Oliver James et al 2015 Class. Quantum Grav. 32
065001 doi:10.1088/0264-9381/32/6/065001



Szabolcs Marka, Imre Bartos, Zsuzsa Marka
Columbia Experimental Gravity Group
Columbia University in the City of New York,

2017

Worldwide reach of the LIGO Scientific Collaboration





Clinton Points Sanders Plans As Unrealistic
New Lines of Attack at Missouri Debate

... Clinton said she would not be running for a second term in 2020... Sanders said he would not be running for a second term in 2020...



WITH FAINT CHIRP, SCIENTISTS PROVE EINSTEIN CORRECT
A RIPPLE IN SPACE-TIME
An Echo of Black Holes Colliding a Billion Light-Years Away

... Scientists have detected gravitational waves for the first time... This confirms Einstein's theory of general relativity...

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 AVIS SUPPLEMENT COMARQUES GIRONNES

El metro finalment arriba avui a l'aeroport
 La L9 recorre 20 quilòmetres, ha costat 2.899 milions i s'ha fet en 13

DESCOBRIMENT

USA TODAY WEEKEND
 FEBRUARY 12, 2016

GRAVITATIONAL WAVES CONFIRMED

'A WHOLE NEW WINDOW ON THE UNIVERSE'

Discovery affirms Einstein theory

Gravitational waves open the universe,' scientists

By Todd Leopold, CNN
 Updated 1:28 PM ET, Thu February 11, 2016 | Video Source: CNN

"This has been the top story on both the domestic and international site!"

THE MONITOR

Free electricity! 80% faster with solar panels using our own energy.

DISCOVER THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY SINCE 1959

Gravitational waves Einstein foresaw are detected

... Scientists have detected gravitational waves for the first time... This confirms Einstein's theory of general relativity...

MOST EMAILED | **MOST VIEWED** | **RECOMMENDED FOR YOU**

- OUT THERE**
Gravitational Waves Detected, Confirming Einstein's Theory
- CHARLES M. BLOW**
Stop Bernie-Splaining to Black Voters
- NICHOLAS KRISTOF**
The G.O.P. Created Donald Trump

Collaboration proves Einstein correct

... Scientists have detected gravitational waves for the first time... This confirms Einstein's theory of general relativity...

Die Presse
 SEIT 1848

Jetzt sehen wir Einsteins Wellen

Physik: Vor 99 Jahren hat Albert Einstein die Existenz von Gravitationswellen vorausgesagt. Nun ist der Nachweis endlich gelungen. Angekündigt wurden die Wellen durch das Verschmelzen zweier Schwarzer Löcher.

1916:

488 Sitzung der physikalisch-mathematischen Klasse vom 22. Juni 1916

Näherungsweise Integration der Feldgleichungen der Gravitation.

Von A. EINSTEIN.

Bei der Behandlung der meisten speziellen (nicht prinzipiellen) Probleme auf dem Gebiete der Gravitationstheorie kann man sich damit begnügen, die $g_{\mu\nu}$ in erster Näherung zu berechnen. Dabei bedient man sich mit Vorteil der imaginären Zeitvariable x_4 , so ist aus denselben Gründen wie in der speziellen Relativitätstheorie. Unter "erster Näherung" ist dabei verstanden, daß die durch die Gleichung

$$g_{\mu\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu} + \gamma_{\mu\nu} \tag{1}$$

154 Sitzung vom 14. Februar 1916. — Sitzung vom 21. Januar

Über Gravitationswellen.

Von A. EINSTEIN.

(Vorgelegt am 21. Januar 1916 (s. oben S. 79).)

Die wichtige Frage, wie die Ausbreitung der Gravitationsfelder erfolgt, ist schon vor anderthalb Jahren in einer Akademiearbeit von mir behandelt worden¹. In der vorliegenden Darstellung des Gegenstandes nicht genügend durchgeführt und außerdem durch einen bedauerlichen Rechenfehler verunstaltet ist, muß ich hier nochmals auf die Angelegenheit zurückkommen.

Wie damals beschränkte ich mich auch hier auf den Fall, daß das betrachtete mitbewegliche Koordinatensystem sich von einem "galileischen" sehr wenig unterscheidet. Um für alle Indizes

$$g_{\mu\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu} + \gamma_{\mu\nu} \tag{1}$$



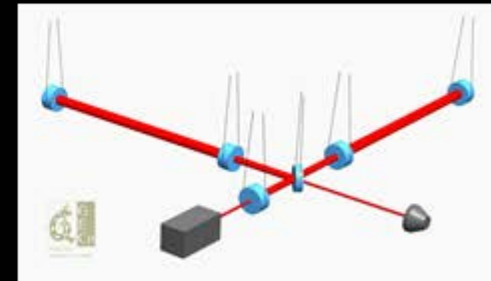
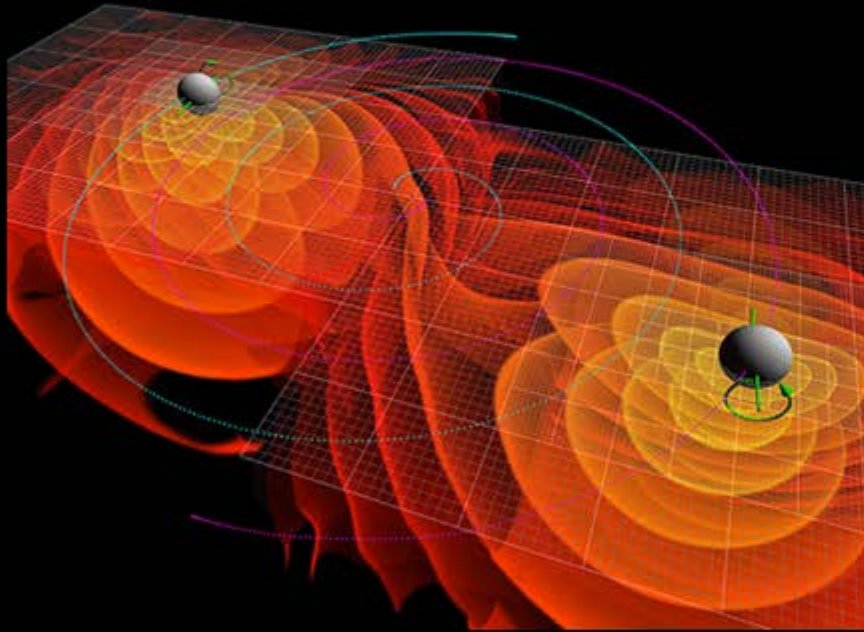
<http://www.ligo.org/multimedia/gallery/who.php>

Thanks to D. Shoemaker, S. Larson, and LSC

GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

Typical signal at Earth: $h \sim 10^{-21}$!
0.00000000000000000000000001

~ a millionth of a Cent
on
\$17,749,226,163,000 !



Big Unknowns:

- How is the hidden life of married Black Holes?
- Was Einstein right about Gravity?
- Where did we come from? What is the history of the accelerating expansion of the Universe?
- ...

Suspensions



Fabry-Perot
arm cavity

End
mirror

End
mirror

Input mirror

Input mirror

Beam splitter

"Recycling"
mirror

"Antisymmetric"
photodiode



Yoichi Aso
Columbia University

1956 : Gedanken experiment using interferometry to detect GWs:
F.A.E. Pirani, Acta Phys. Polon. 15, 389 (1956)
(predates invention of laser by 4 years!)

1963: Laser interferometry for gravitational-wave detection
mentioned as theoretical possibility (Gerstenstein and Pustovoit
1963 Sov. Phys.–JETP 16 433)

1971: **Photon-Noise-Limited Laser Transducer for
Gravitational Antenna**

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G. E. Moss, L. R. Miller, and R. L. Forward

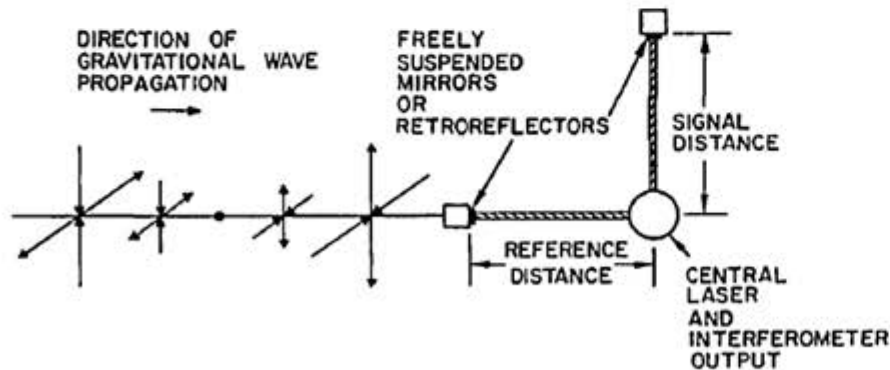


Fig. 1. Right angle interferometer antenna. The reference distance is not changed by gravitational radiation in the direction of propagation shown.

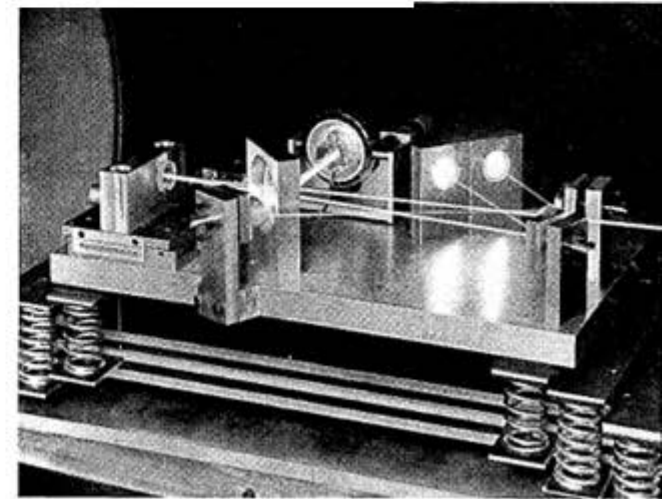


Fig. 4. Photograph of interferometer setup on 3-Hz isolation suspension.

Late 1960s-1972: Rai Weiss of MIT was teaching a course on GR in the late '60s... Wanted a good homework problem for the students... Why not ask them to work out how to use laser interferometry to detect gravitational waves?...Weiss wrote the instruction book LIGO have been following ever since...



QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

No. 105

APRIL 15, 1972

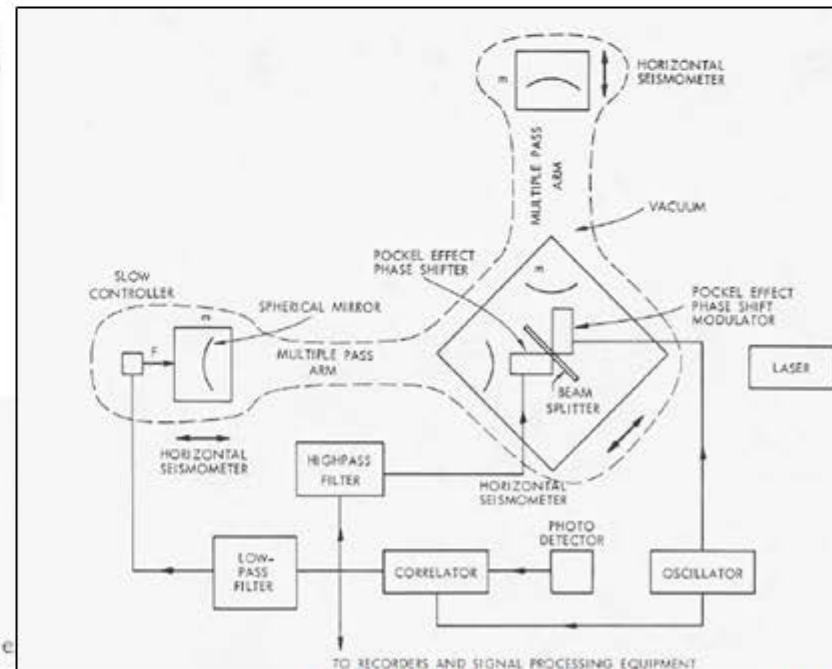
MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
RESEARCH LABORATORY OF ELECTRONICS
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS 02139

(V. GRAVITATION RESEARCH)

B. ELECTROMAGNETICALLY COUPLED BROADBAND GRAVITATIONAL ANTENNA

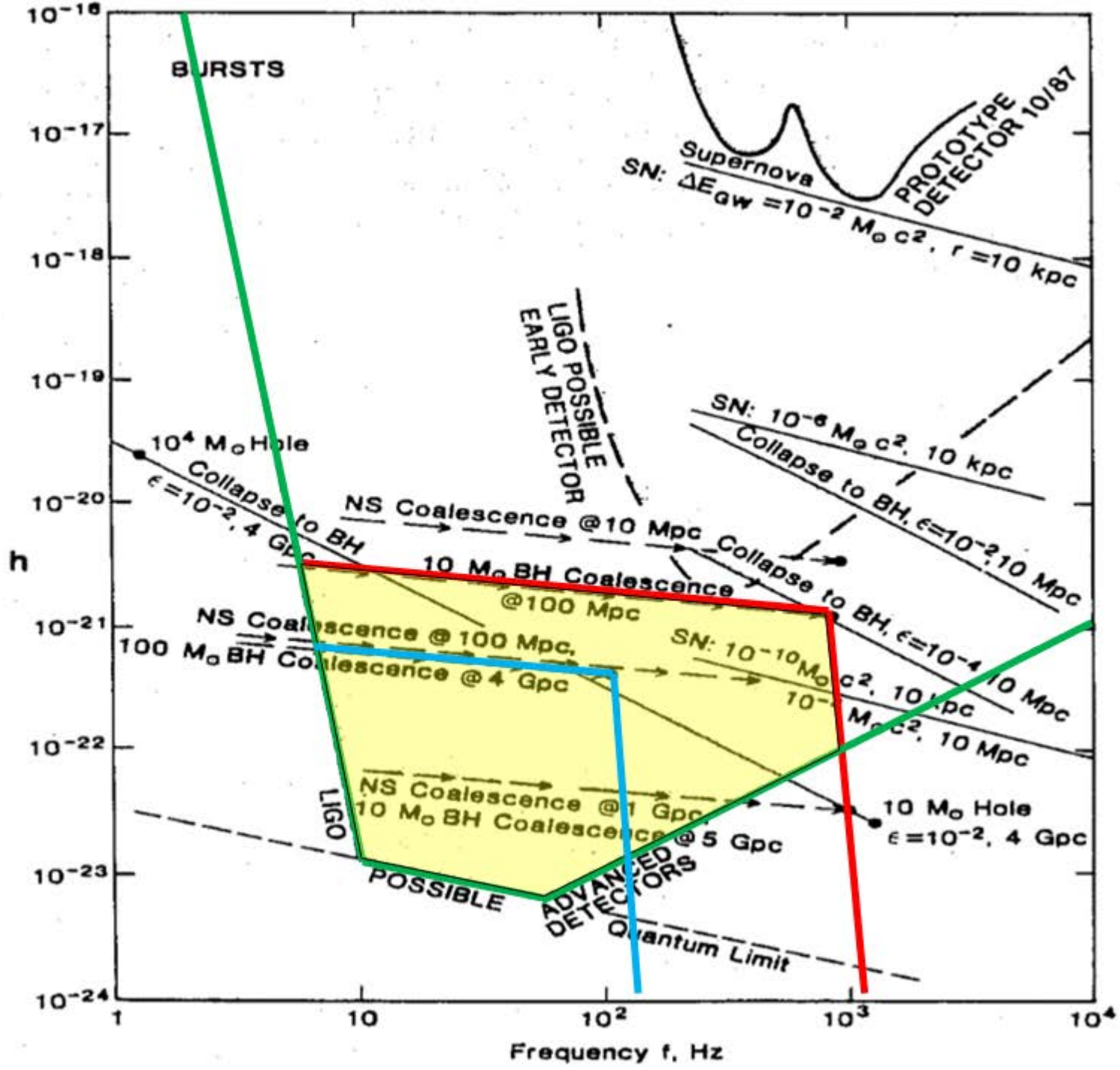
1. Introduction

The prediction of gravitational radiation that travels at the speed of light has been

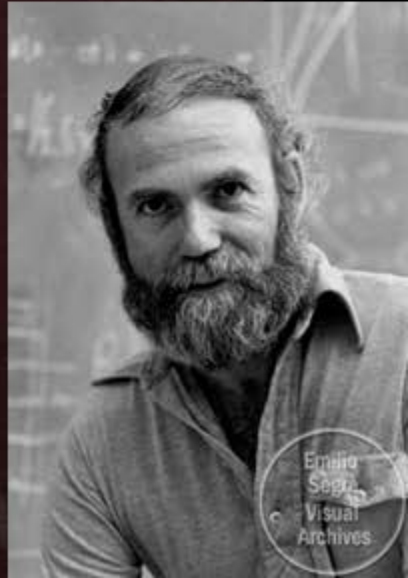
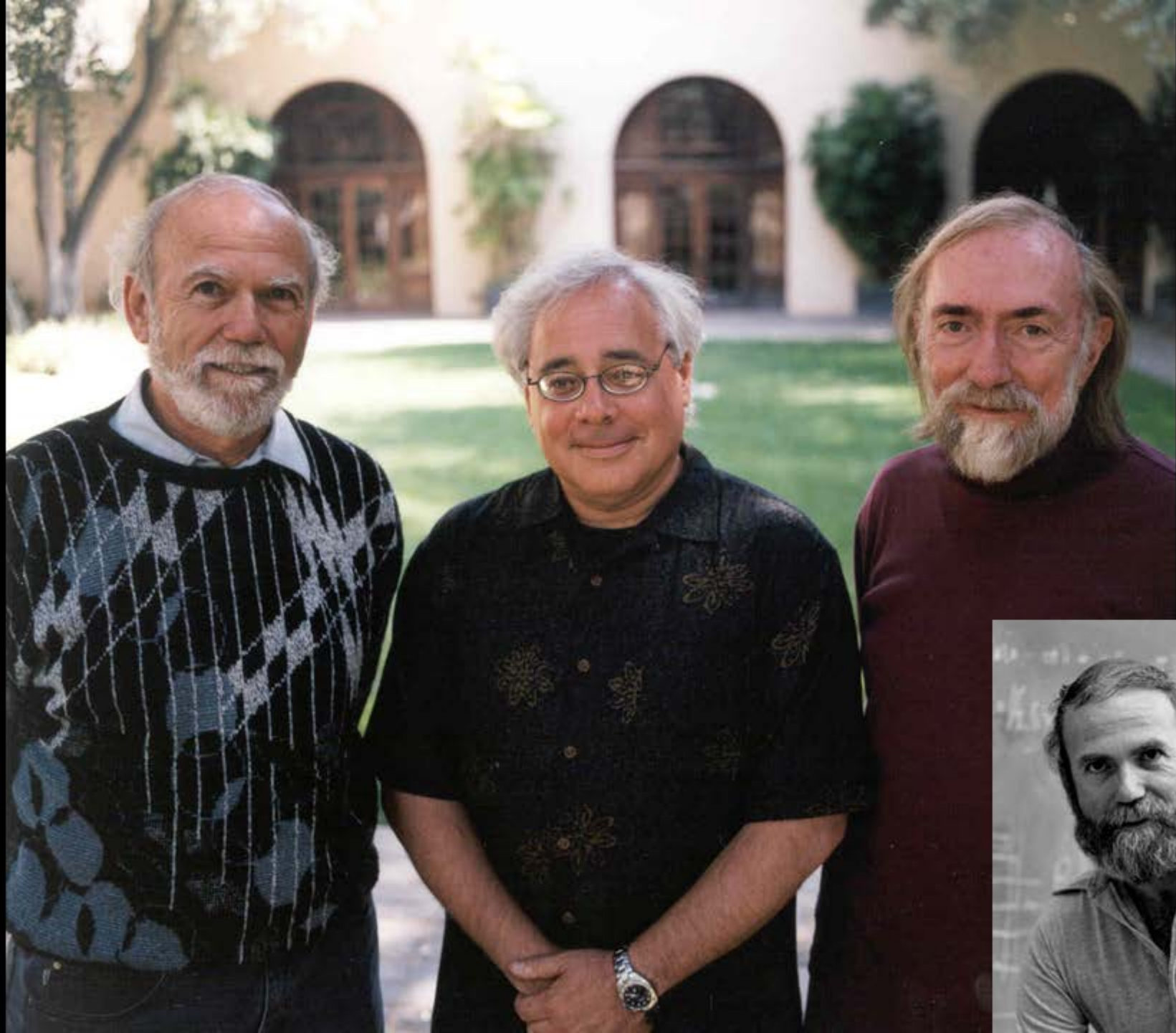


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Rochus Vogt, Ron Drever, Kip Thorne, Rai Weiss, 1987



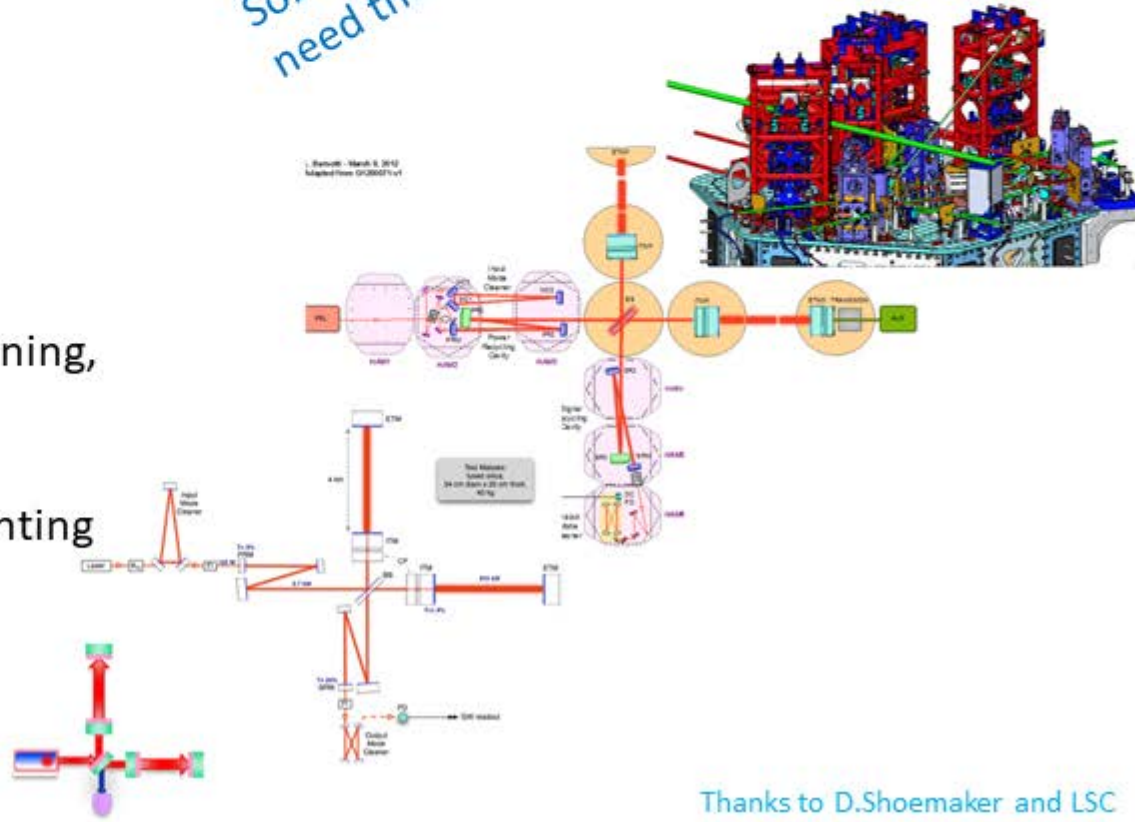
Credit: Caltech

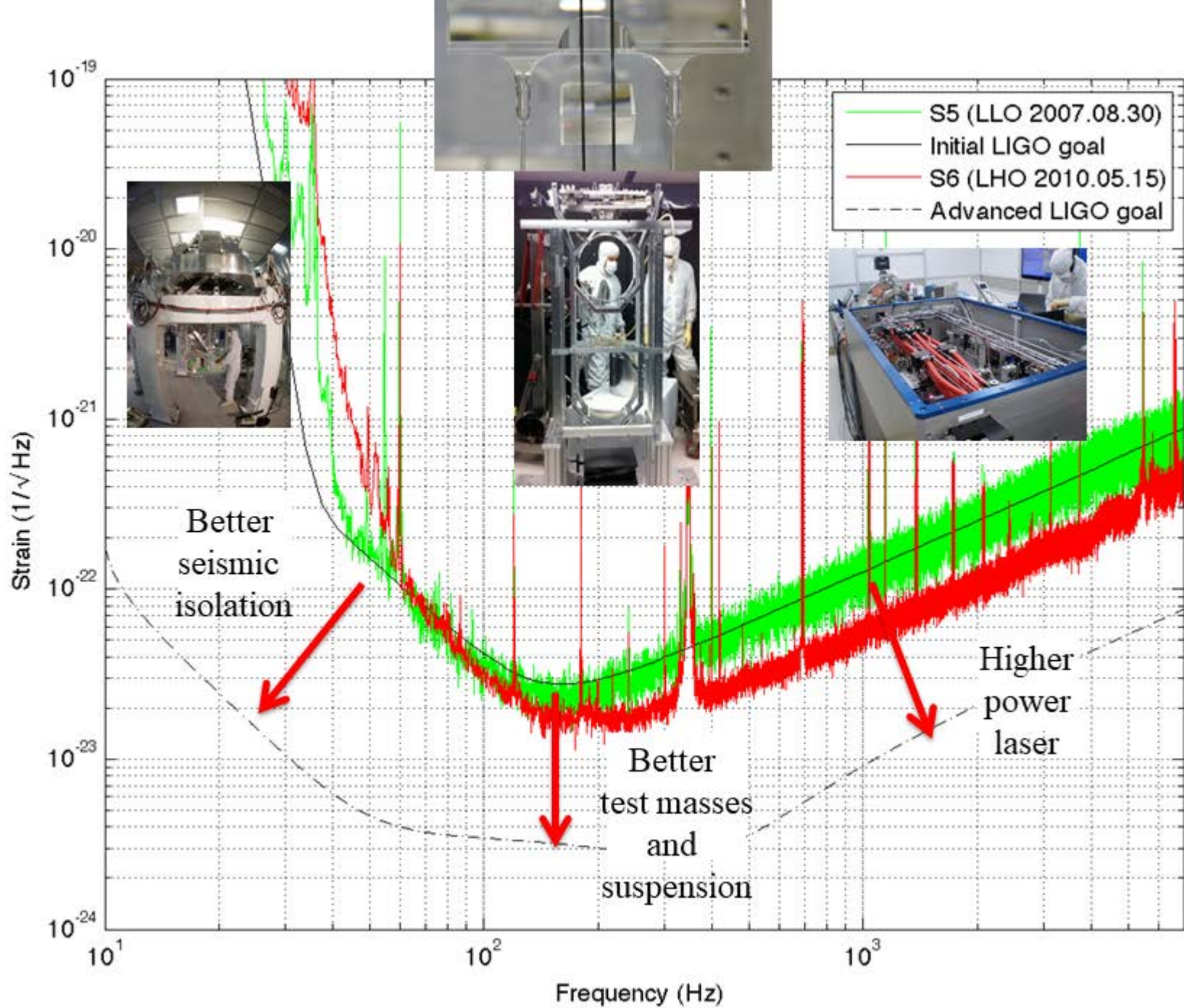


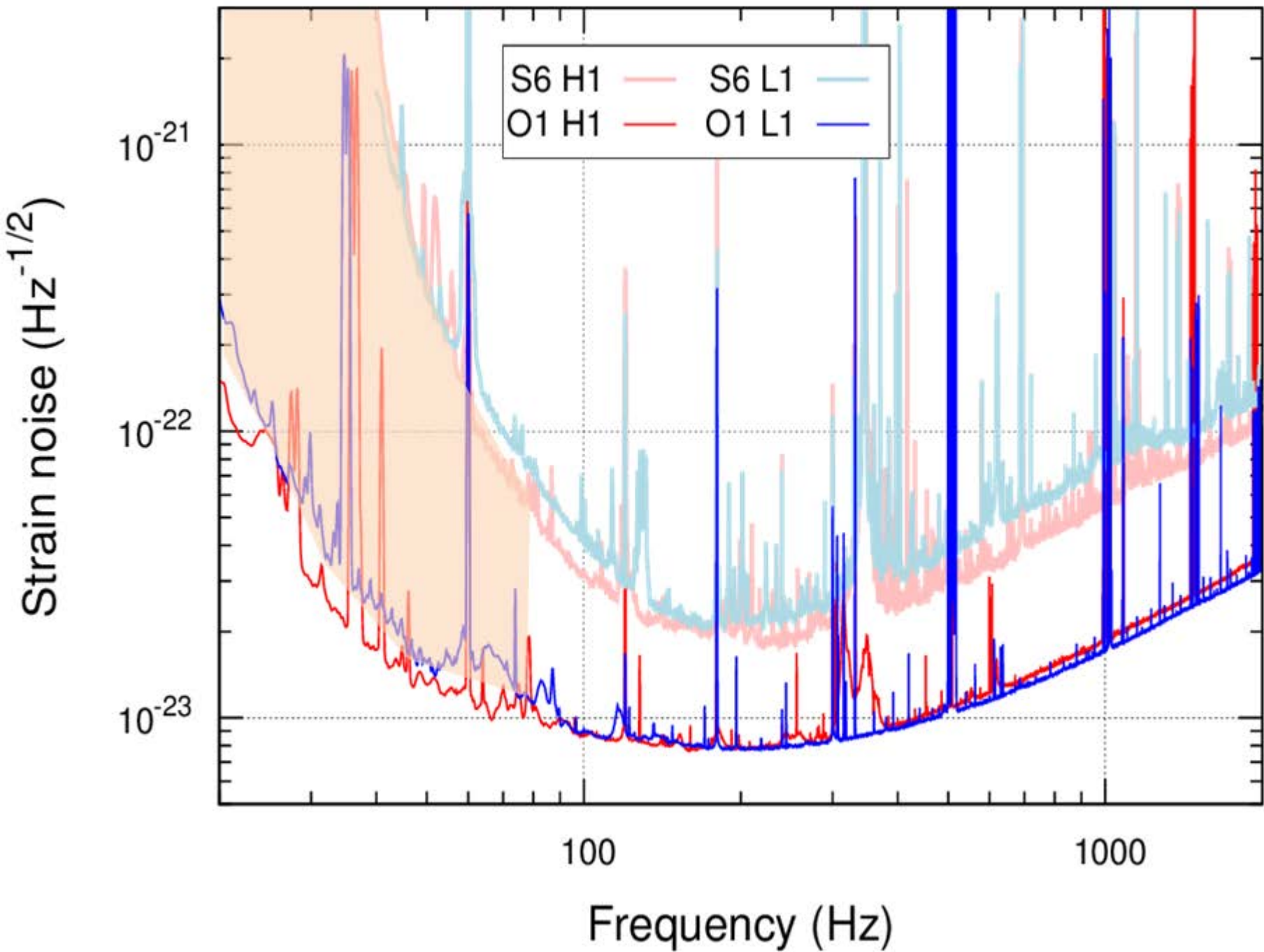
aLIGO's path through the decades:

- 1990-2000: R&D, meetings
- 1999: White Paper with conceptual design
- 2000-2004: Prototyping, modeling, applying
(Note: this how where the LIGO Scientific Collaboration took form, to focus the community – City-States morph into Unions of LIGO, GEO, Virgo, KAGRA, ACIGA)
- 2006: Funding for 2008 start
- 2005-2008: Engineering, 1st articles, procurements
- 2008-2012: Building, de-installing, cleaning, installing
- 2013-2015: Installing, testing, documenting
- 2015? Astrophysics

*So, about 20 years from ripe R&D to fruition...
(similar to Initial LIGO)
Sobering for the next generation –
need the conceptual design soon!*







Exciting Exploratory Science !

Tough Detectors!





Advanced LIGO Hanford, WA

LIGO Livingston, LA



The **Global Network** of Gravitational Wave Detectors

LIGO
Hanford

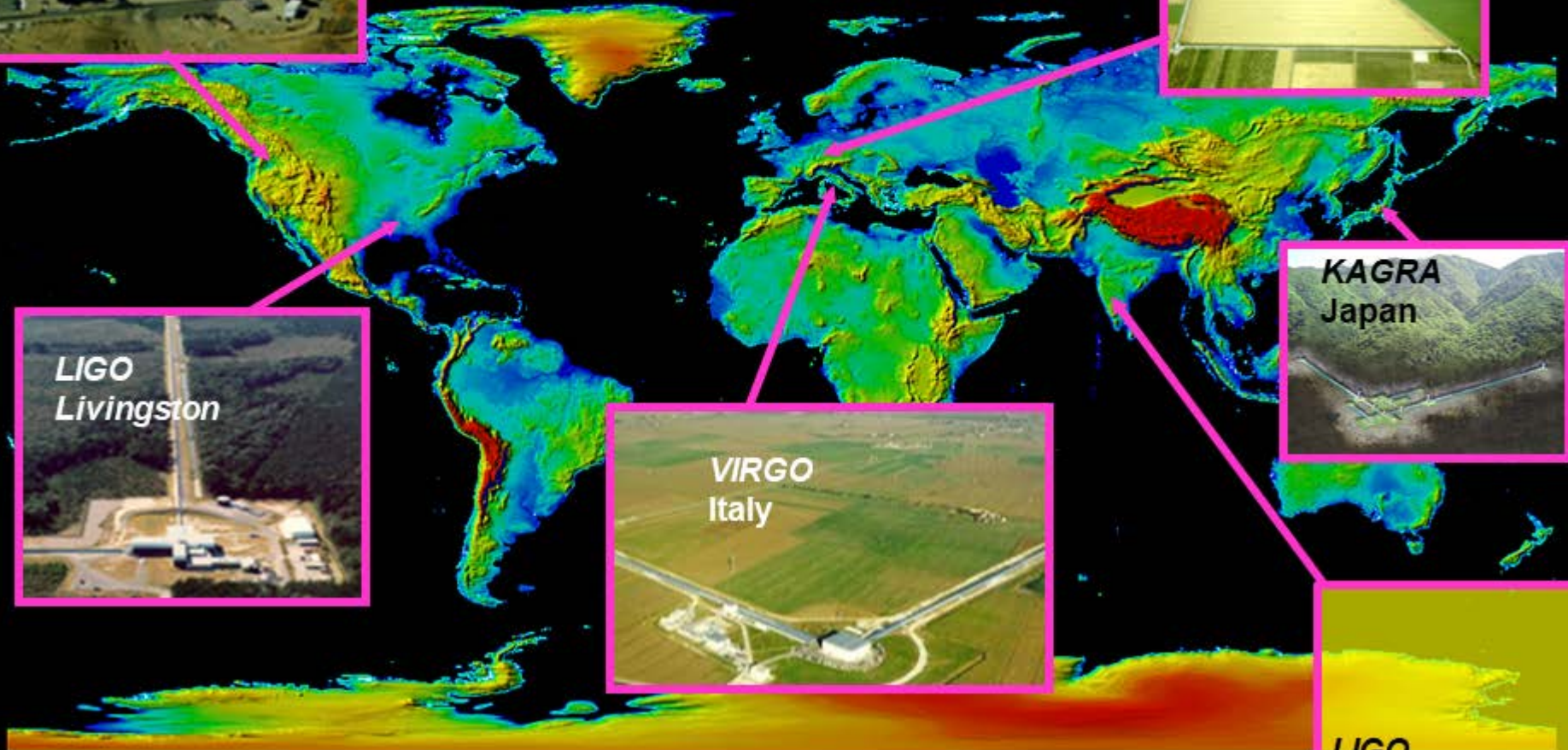
GEO600
Germany

LIGO
Livingston

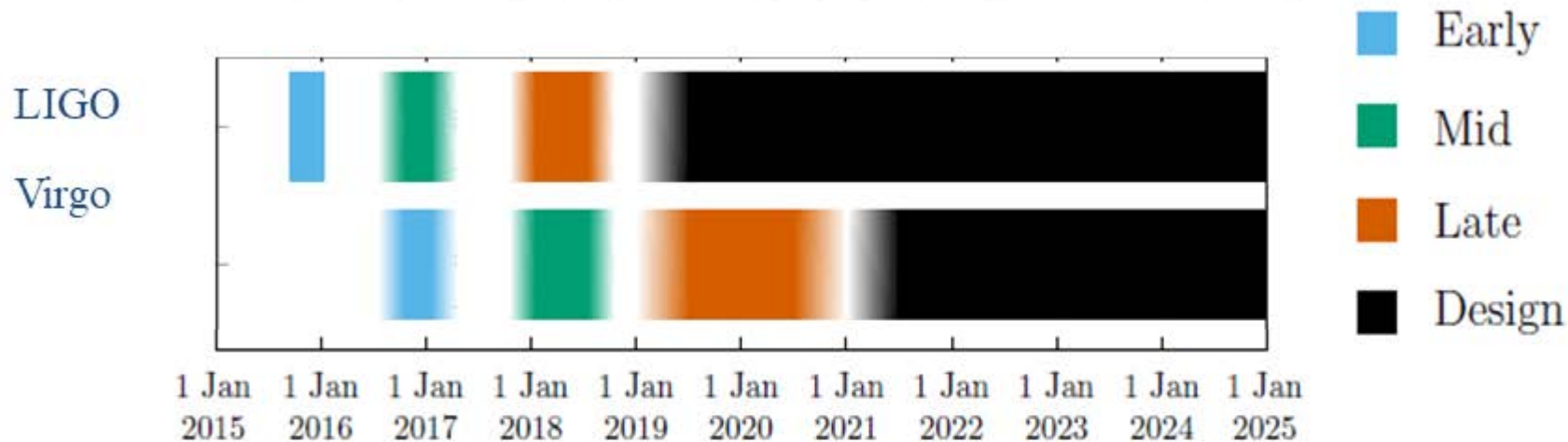
KAGRA
Japan

VIRGO
Italy

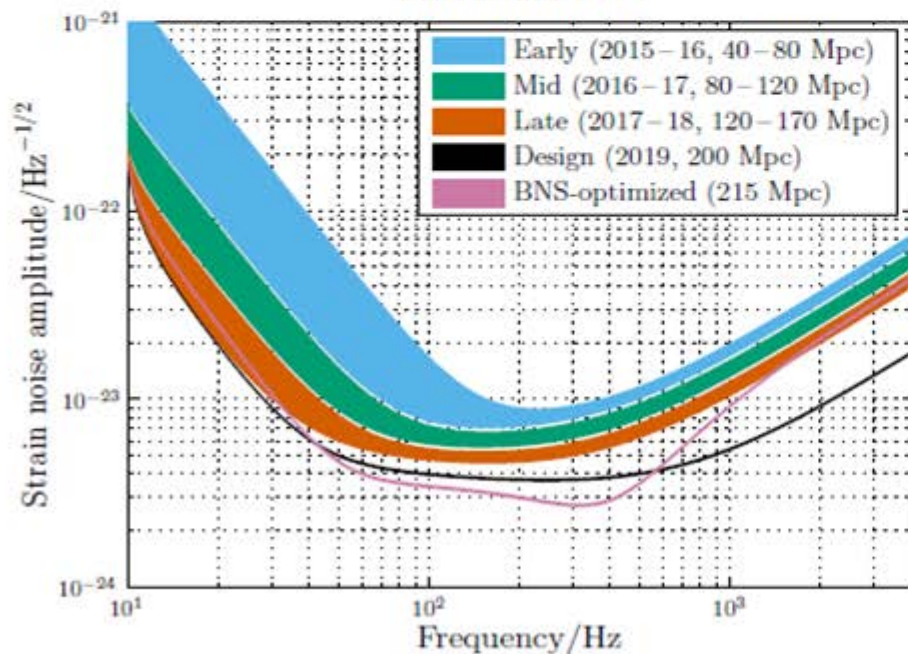
LIGO
India



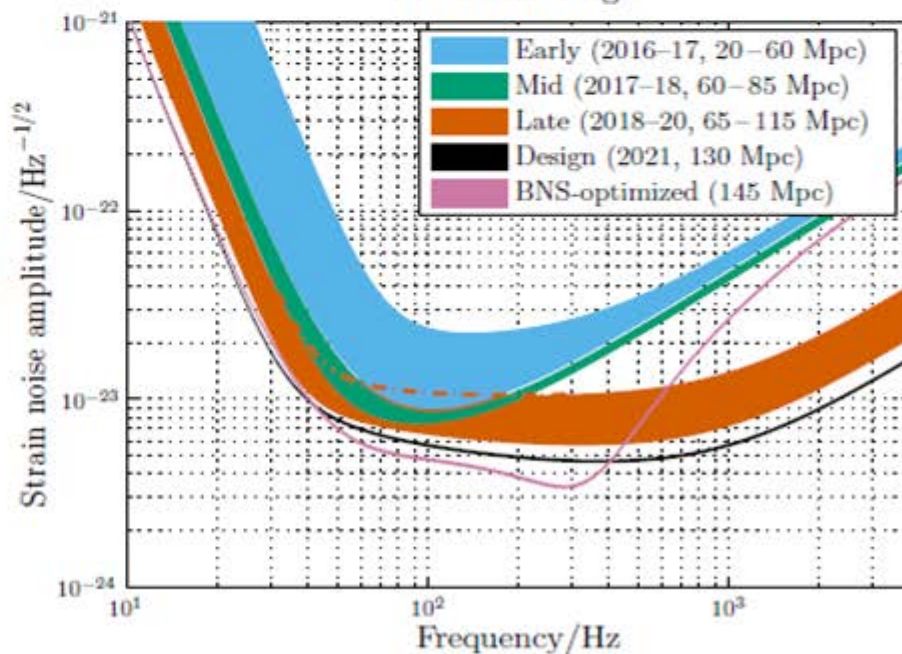
Advanced Detector Evolution



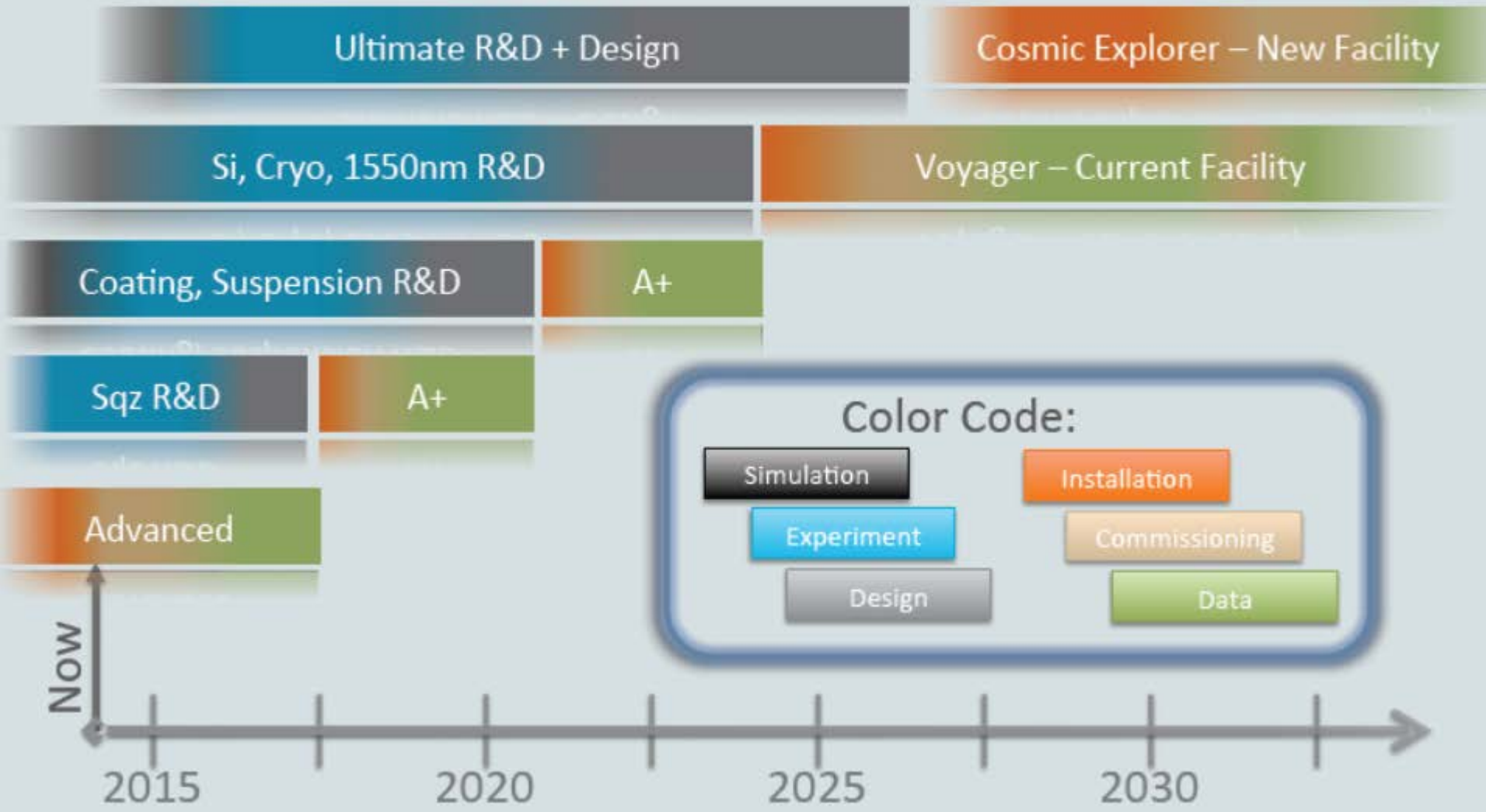
Advanced LIGO



Advanced Virgo



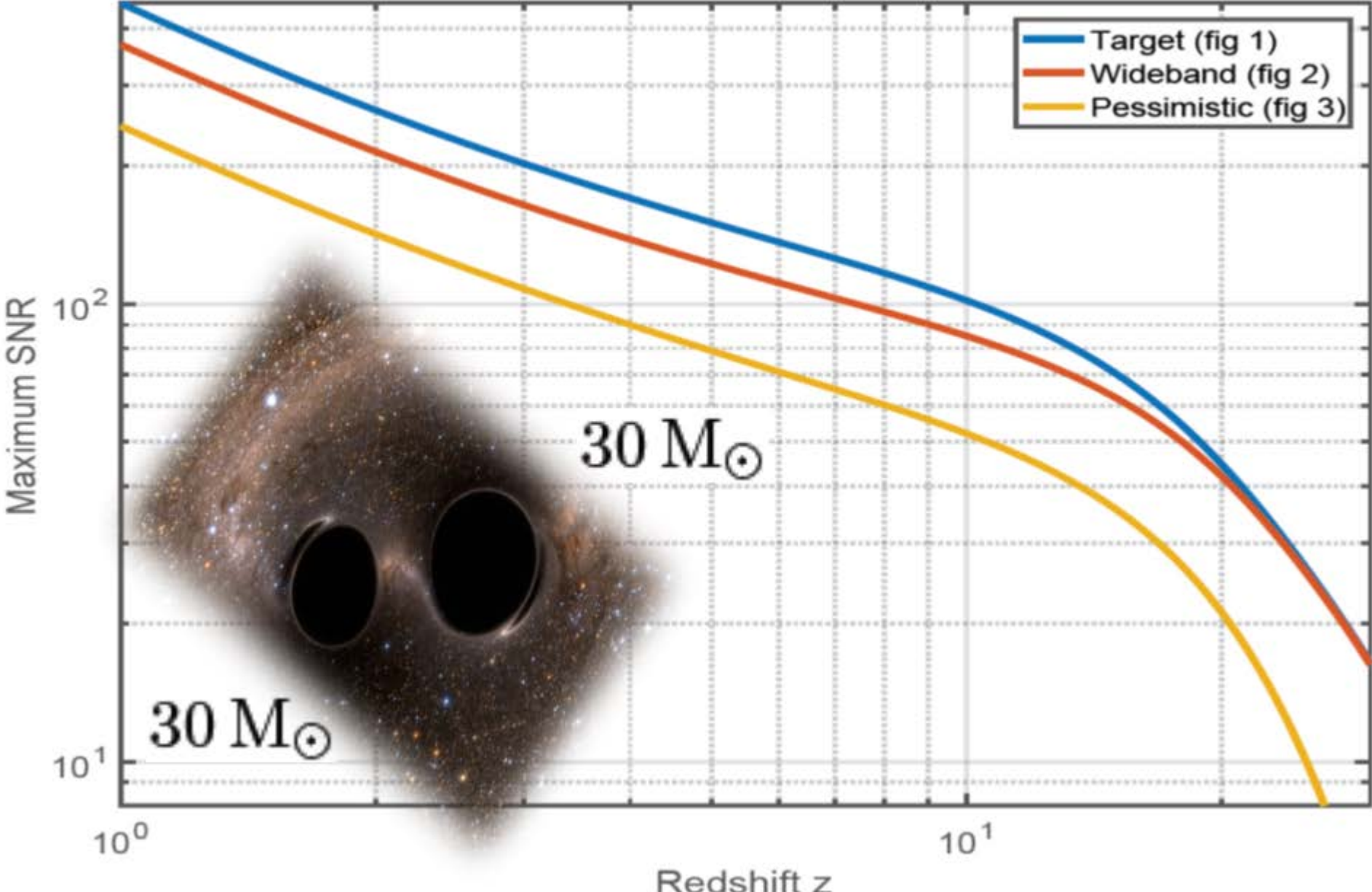
LIGO Upgrade Timeline



Cosmic Explorer – The current endpoint of foresight and technology

Abbott et al. 2017, CQGra, 34, 044001 <https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.08697>

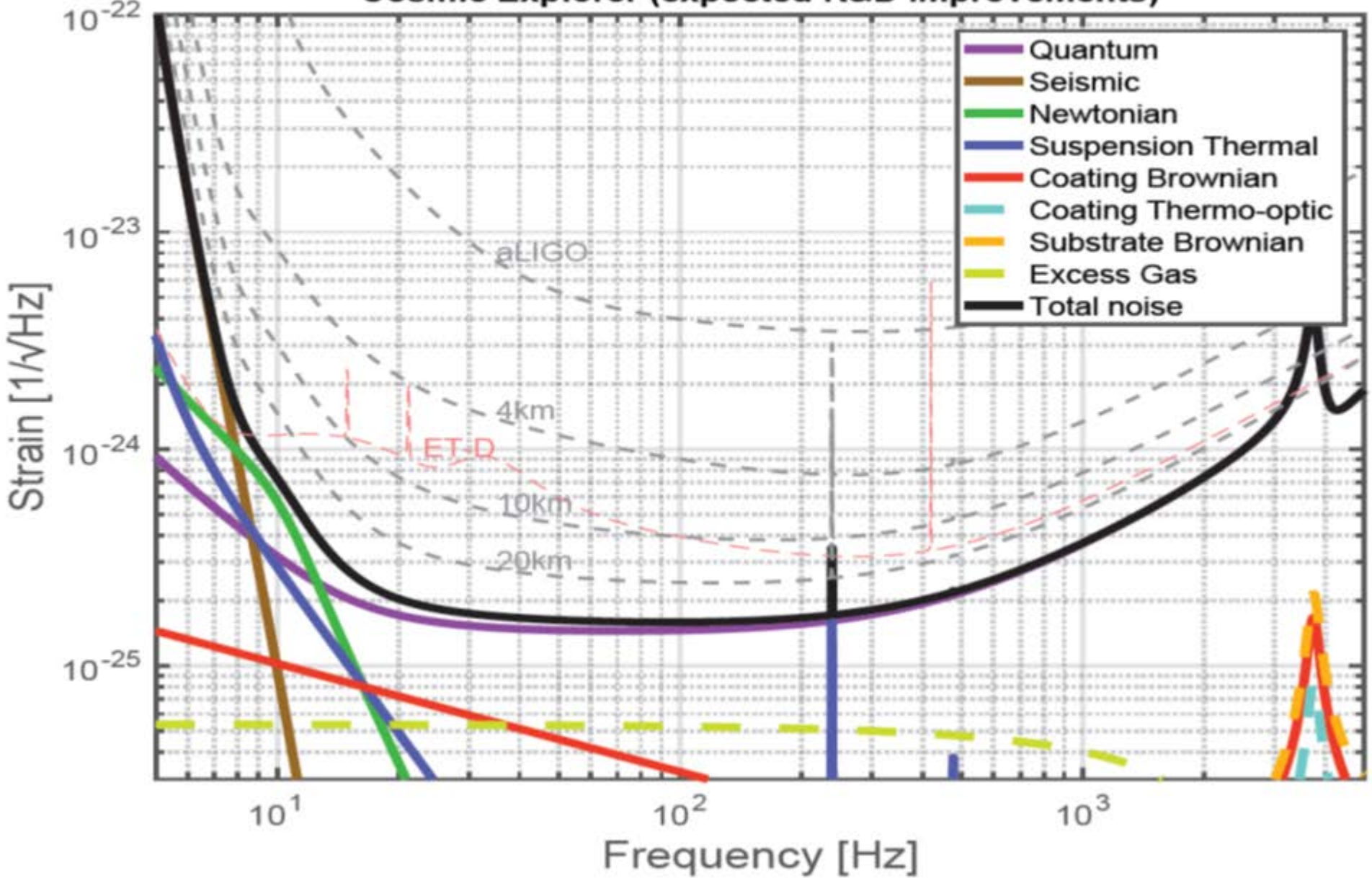
Binary Black Hole SNR vs. Redshift



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Cosmic Explorer (expected R&D improvements)



Basic Glossary: Multimessenger Approaches

“Multi-messenger astrophysics”: connecting different kinds of observations of the same astrophysical event or system



GW
Data

“Follow-Up” strategy:

Flow of trigger
information



**Telescopes, Satellites
or other external entities**



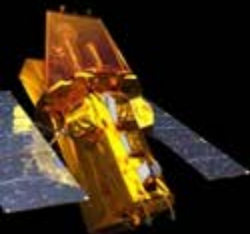
“ExtTrig” strategy:

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or other external entities**

Flow of trigger
information



GW
Search



Transient Multimessenger Astrophysics with GWs

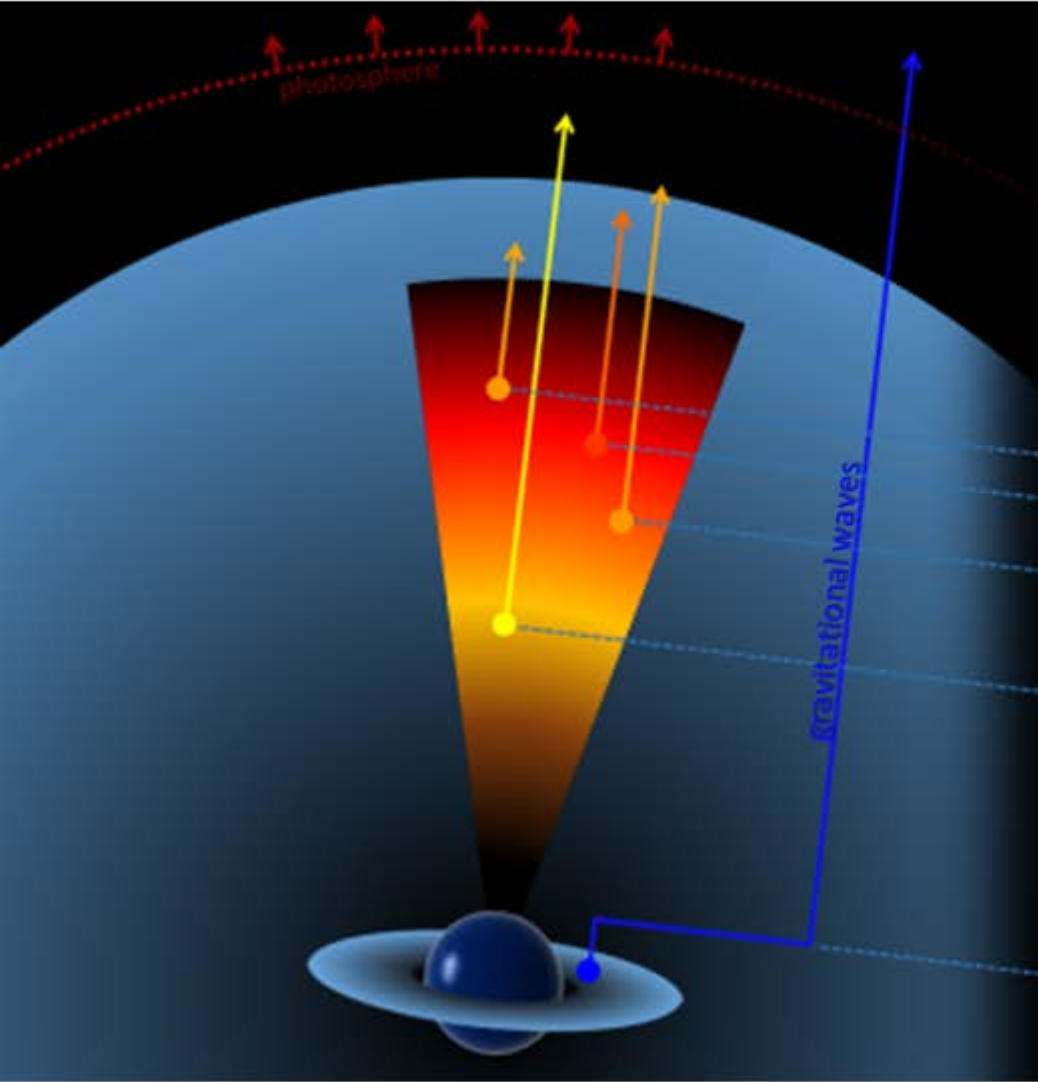
- » Gamma-ray transients (GRBs, SGRs)
- » Optical transients
- » Neutrino events
- » Radio transients
- » X-ray transients
- » ...

- Correlation in time
- Correlation in direction
- Information on the source properties, host galaxy, distance
- ...

- ✓ Confident detection of GWs.
- ✓ Better background rejection \Rightarrow Higher sensitivity to GW signals.
- ✓ More information about the source/engine.
- ✓ Measurements made possible through coincident detection.



Image credit: Zsuzsa Marka – GWDAW12

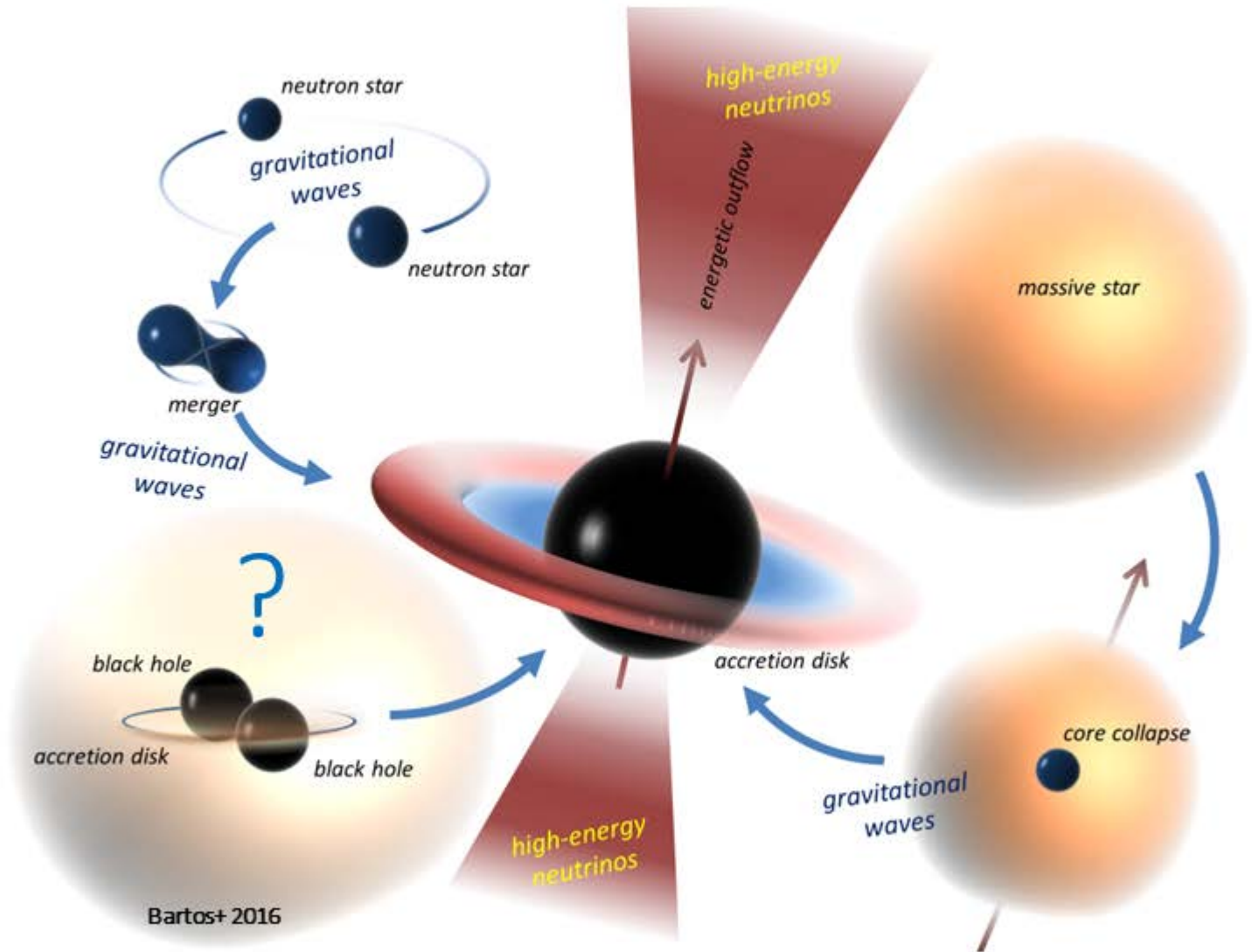


Hidden cosmic ray accelerators

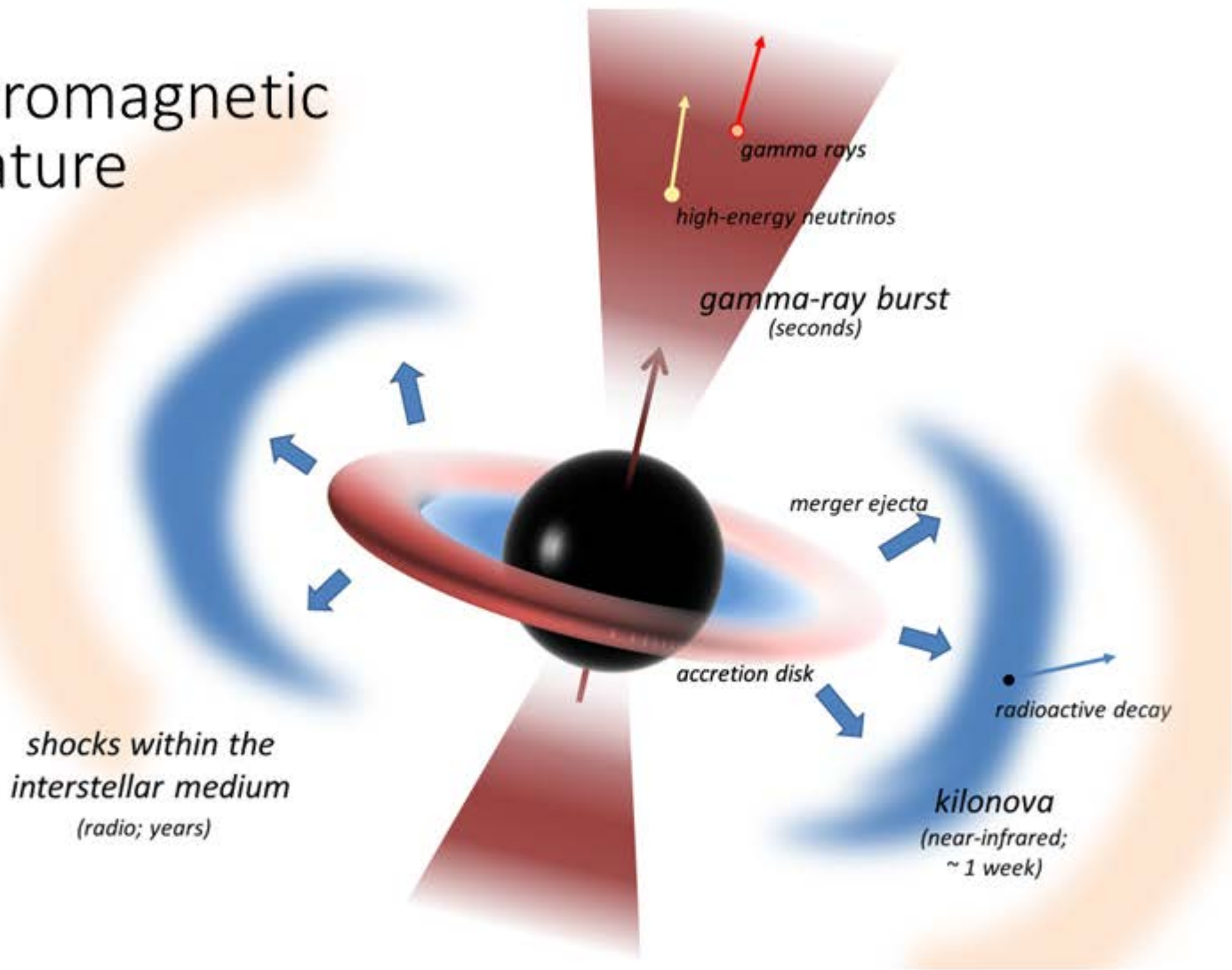
neutrinos

Razzaque+ 2003
Bartos+ 2012
Murase+ 2013, 2015

gravitational waves



electromagnetic signature



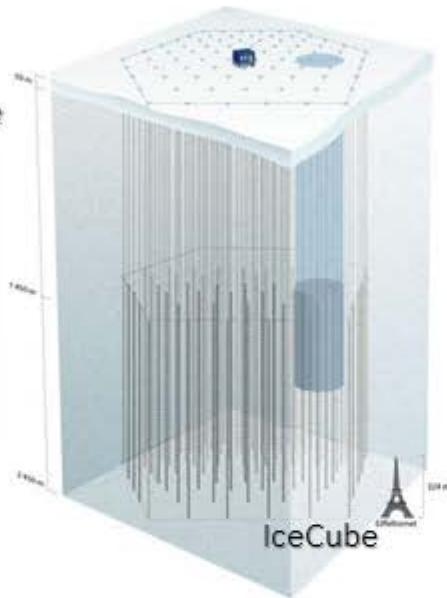


neutrino counterpart for gravitational waves

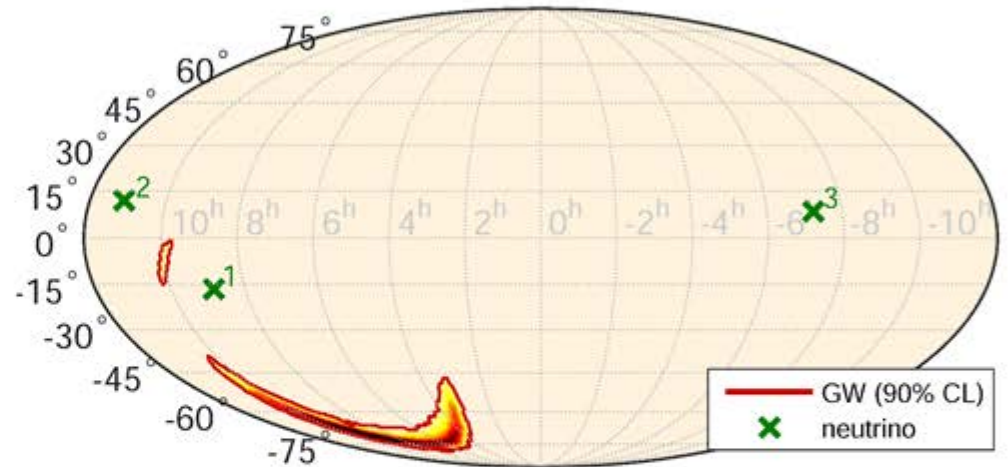
Super-Kamiokande



Abe+ ApJL 2016



IceCube



— GW (90% CL)
 x neutrino

Pierre

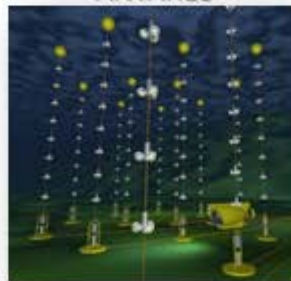


KamLAND



KamLAND 2016 [1606.07155]

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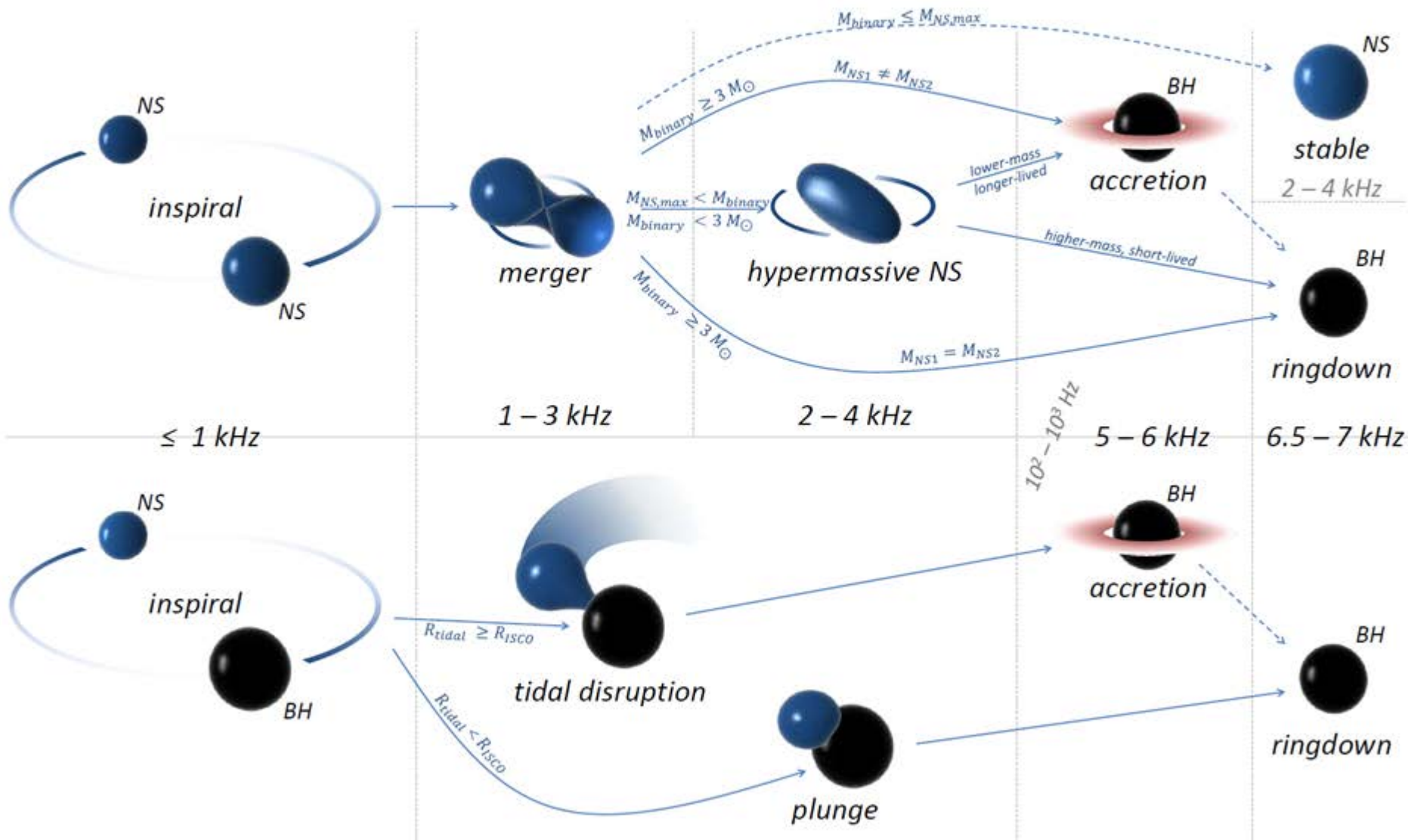


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1	+37.2	8.84	-16.6	0.35	175	12.5%
2	+163.2	11.13	12.0	1.95	1.22	26.5%
3	+311.4	-7.23	8.4	0.47	0.33	98.4%

ANTARES+IceCube+LIGO+Virgo PRD 2016 (1602.05411)

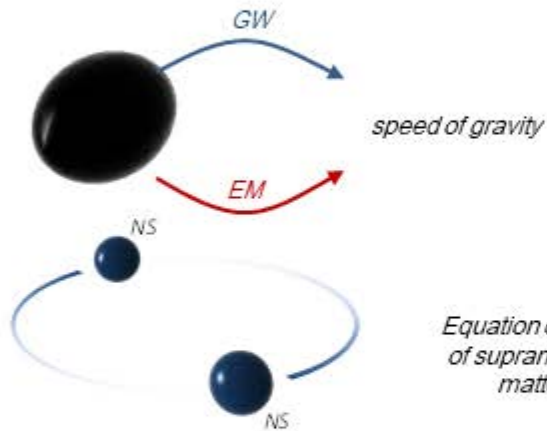


GWS FROM COMPACT BINARIES

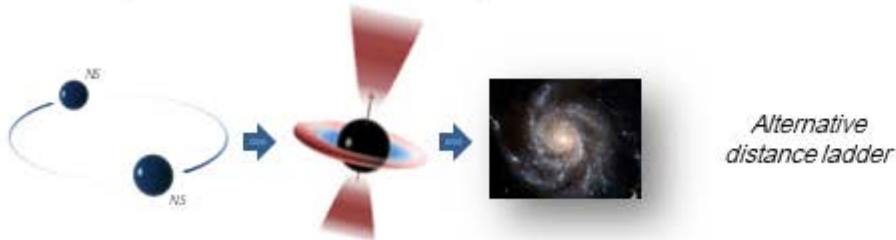


science targets

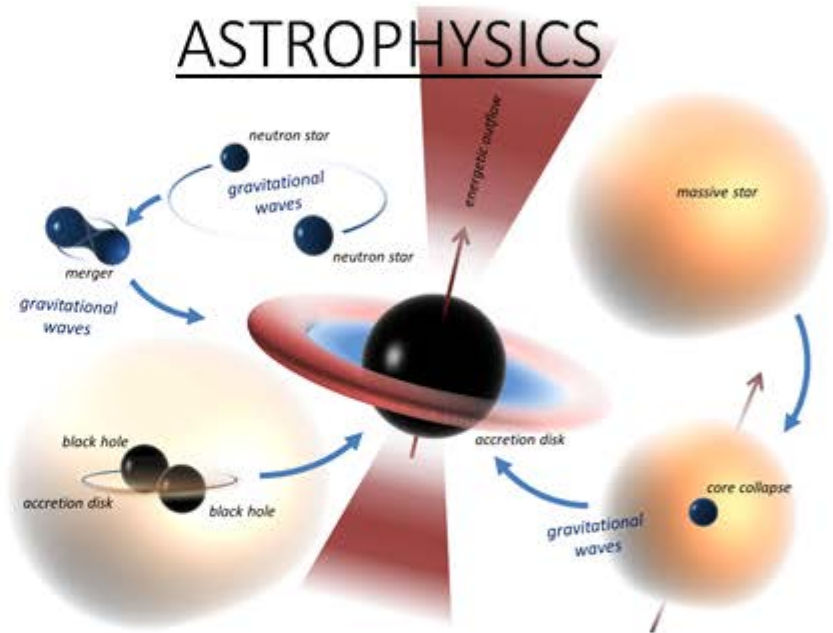
PHYSICS



COSMOLOGY

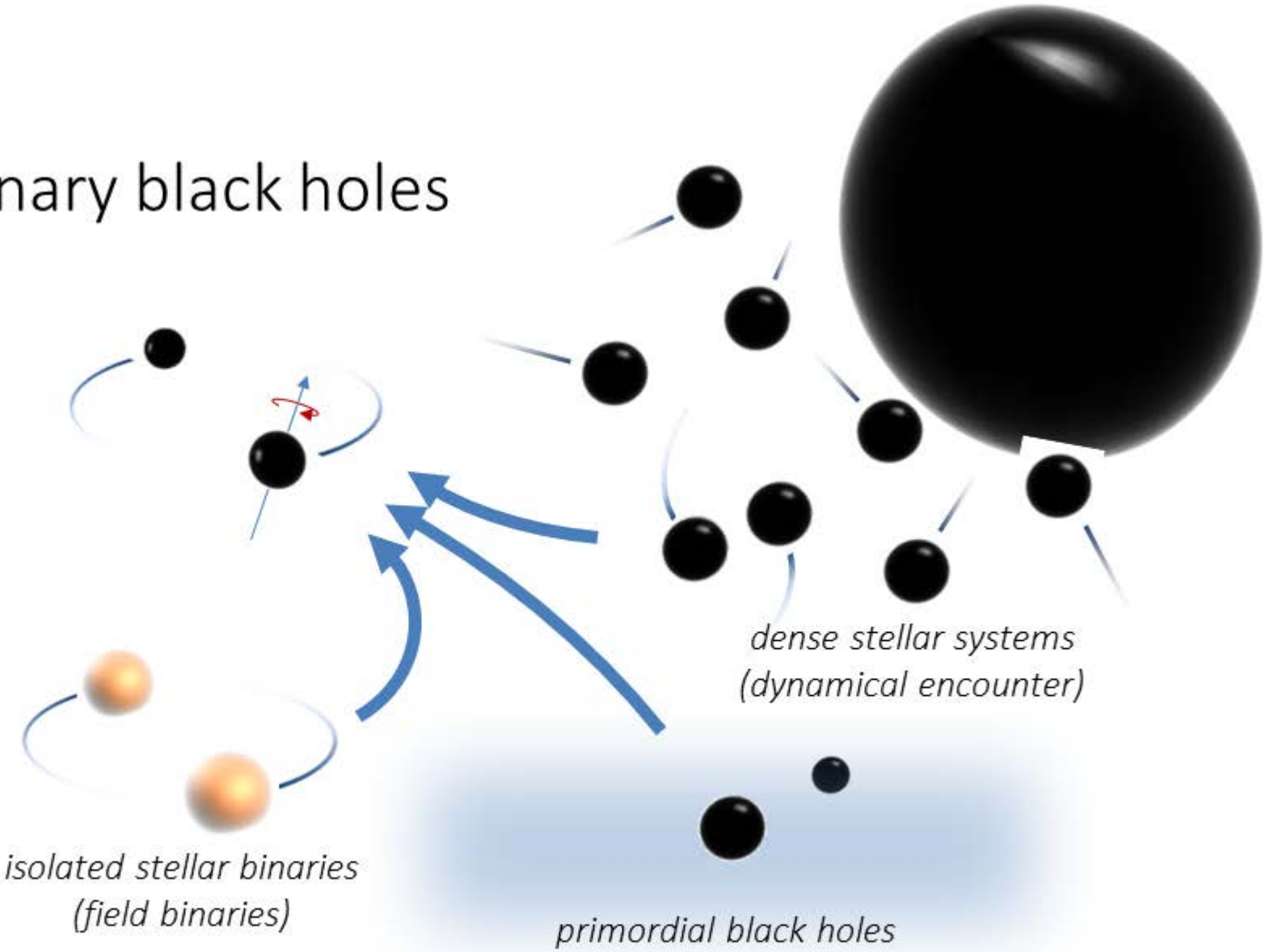


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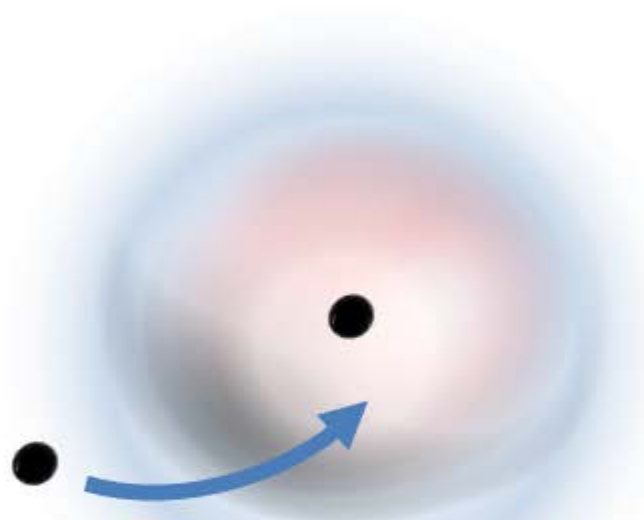


- *Black hole accretion*
- *Binary formation channels*
- *High-energy particle acceleration*
- *Stellar core collapse*
- ...

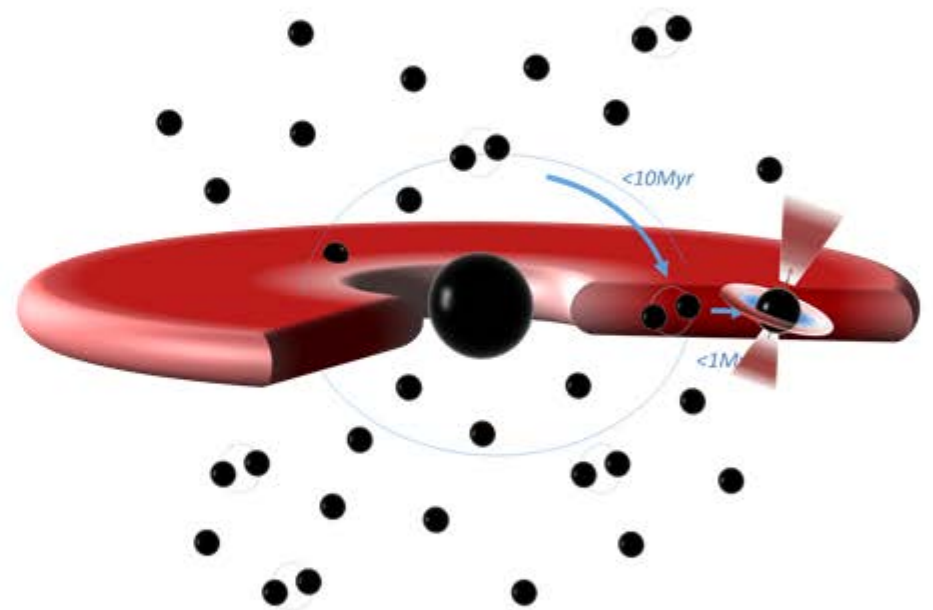
binary black holes



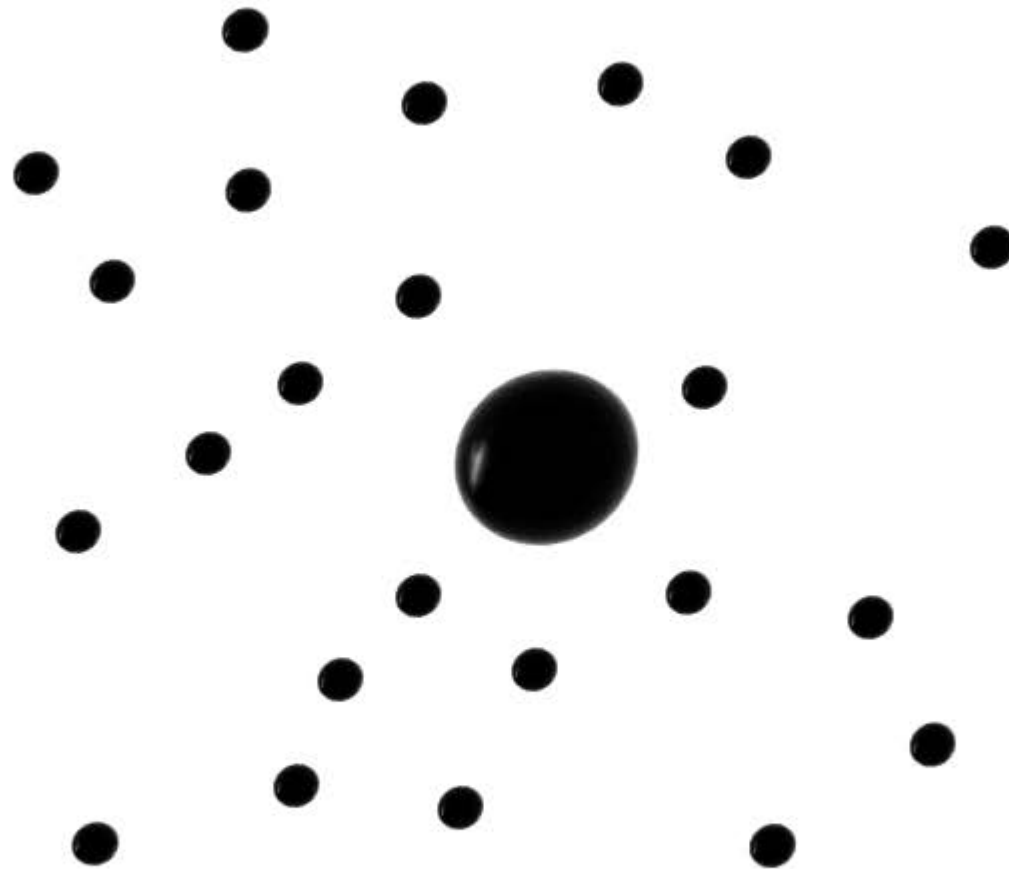
possible source of dense environment



*Gas remains from stellar progenitor
(Perna+ 2016, Mink+ 2017)*

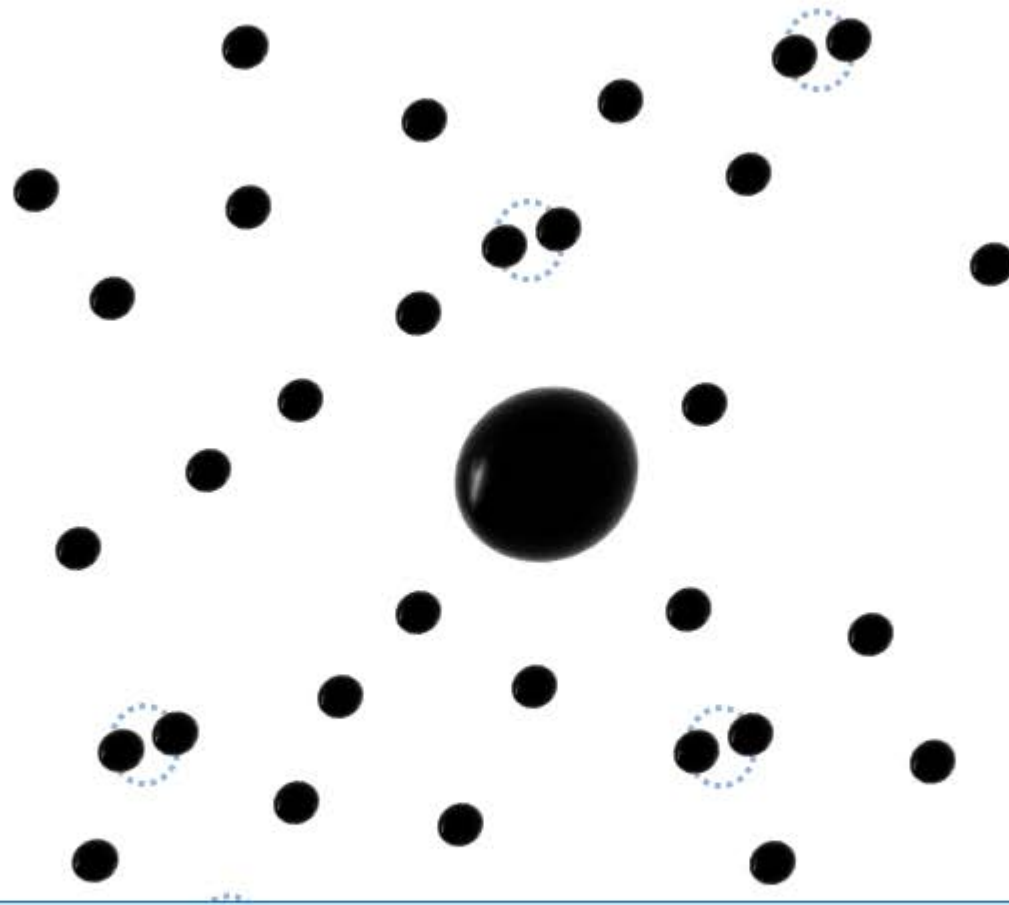


*Black holes AGN disks
(Bartos+ 2017, Stone+ 2017)*



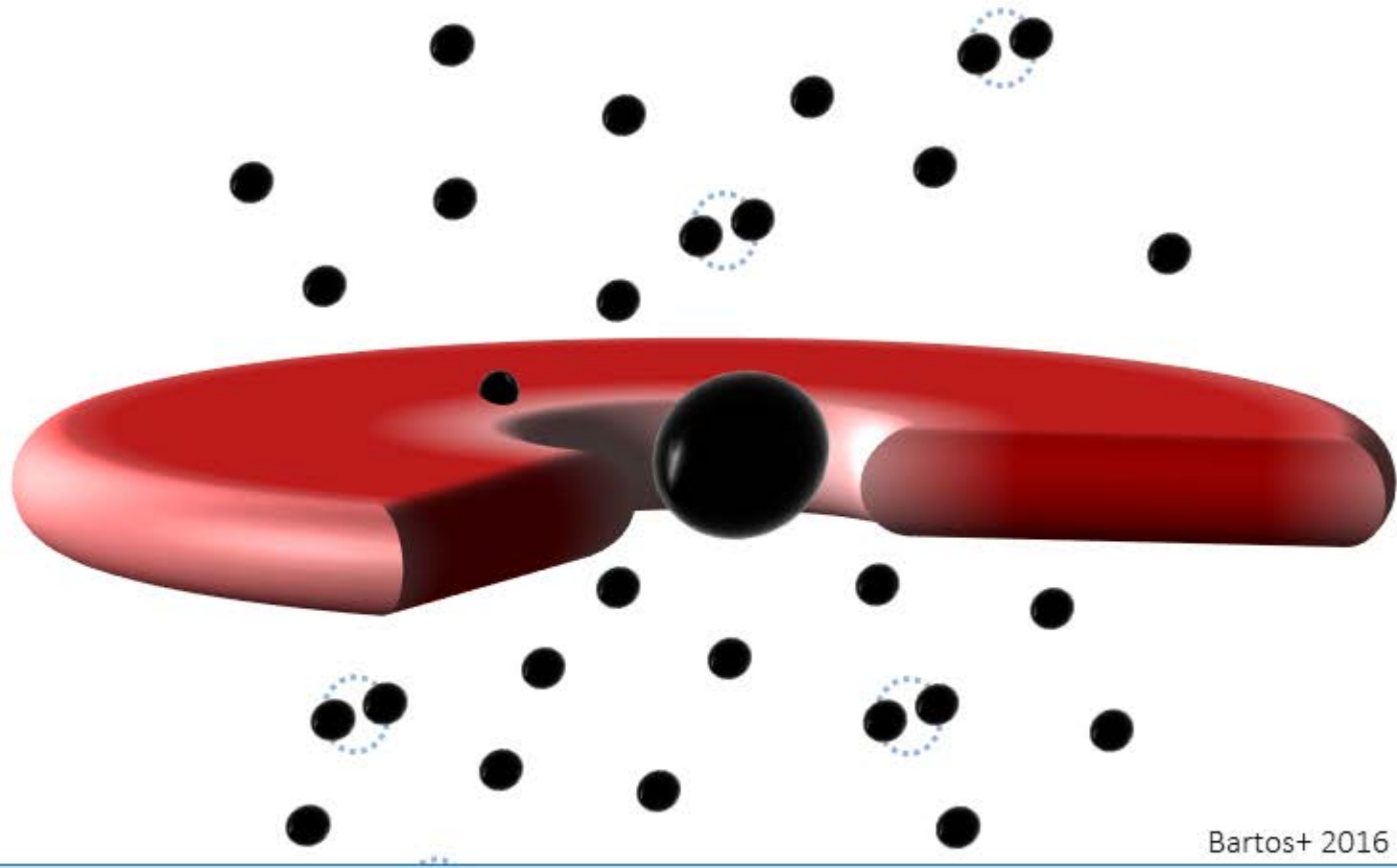
Bartos+ 2016

Galactic centers may harbor thousands of stellar mass black holes within the inner parsec (Morris 1993, O'Leary+ 2009).



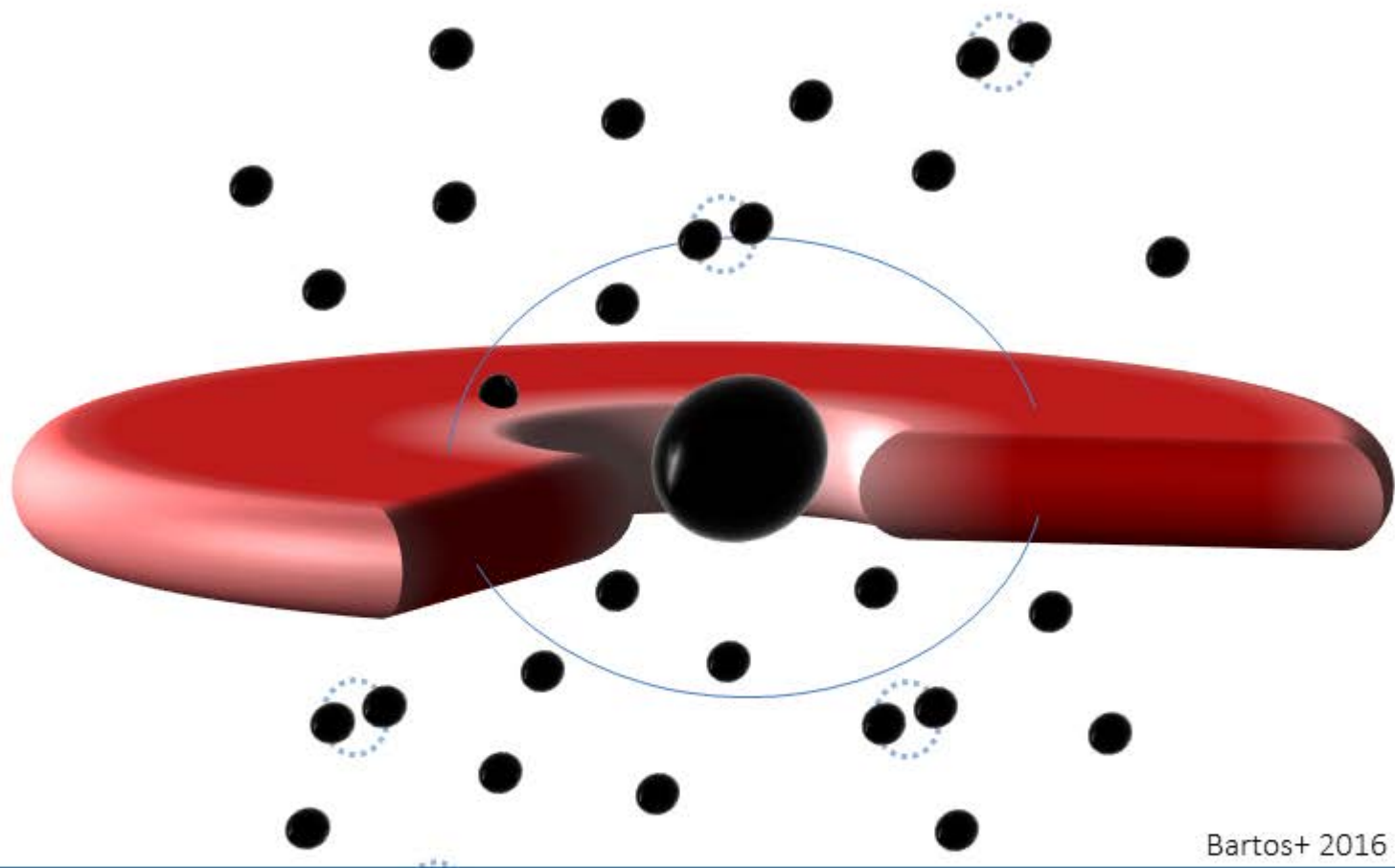
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A fraction of black holes may be in binaries (30%; Pfuhl 2014).



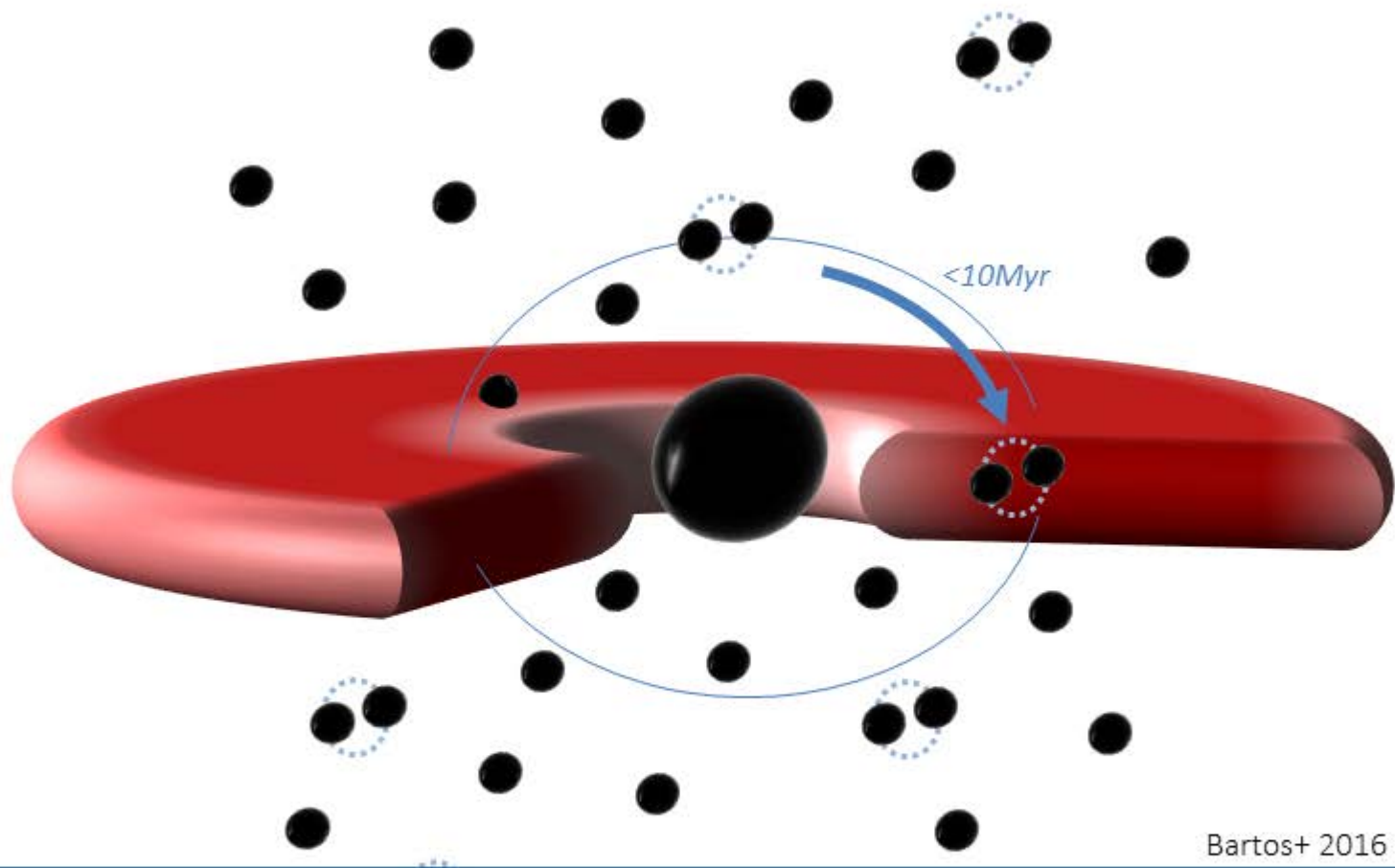
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Some galactic centers accrete large amounts of gas (active galactic nuclei).



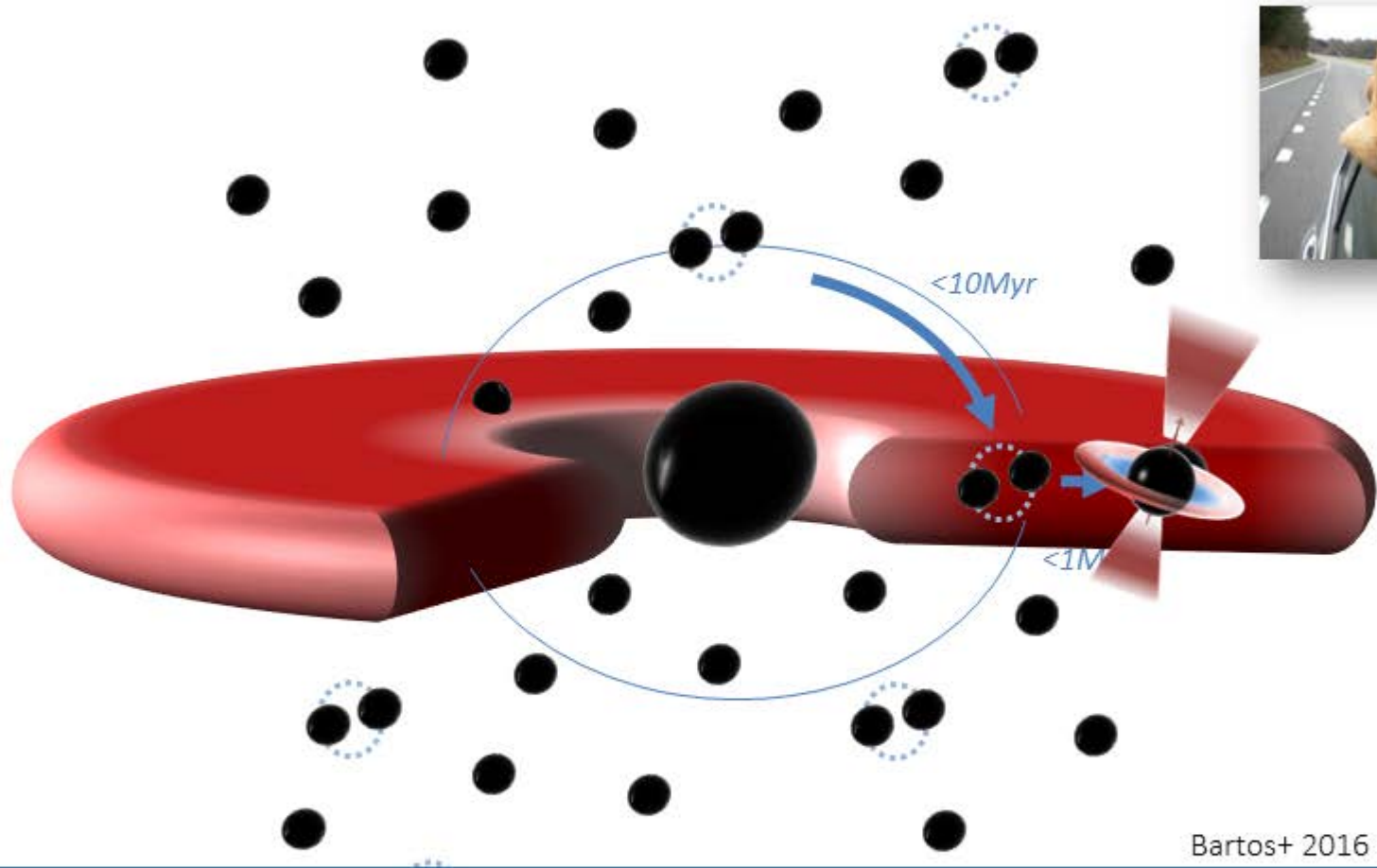
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Binaries migrate into the disk...



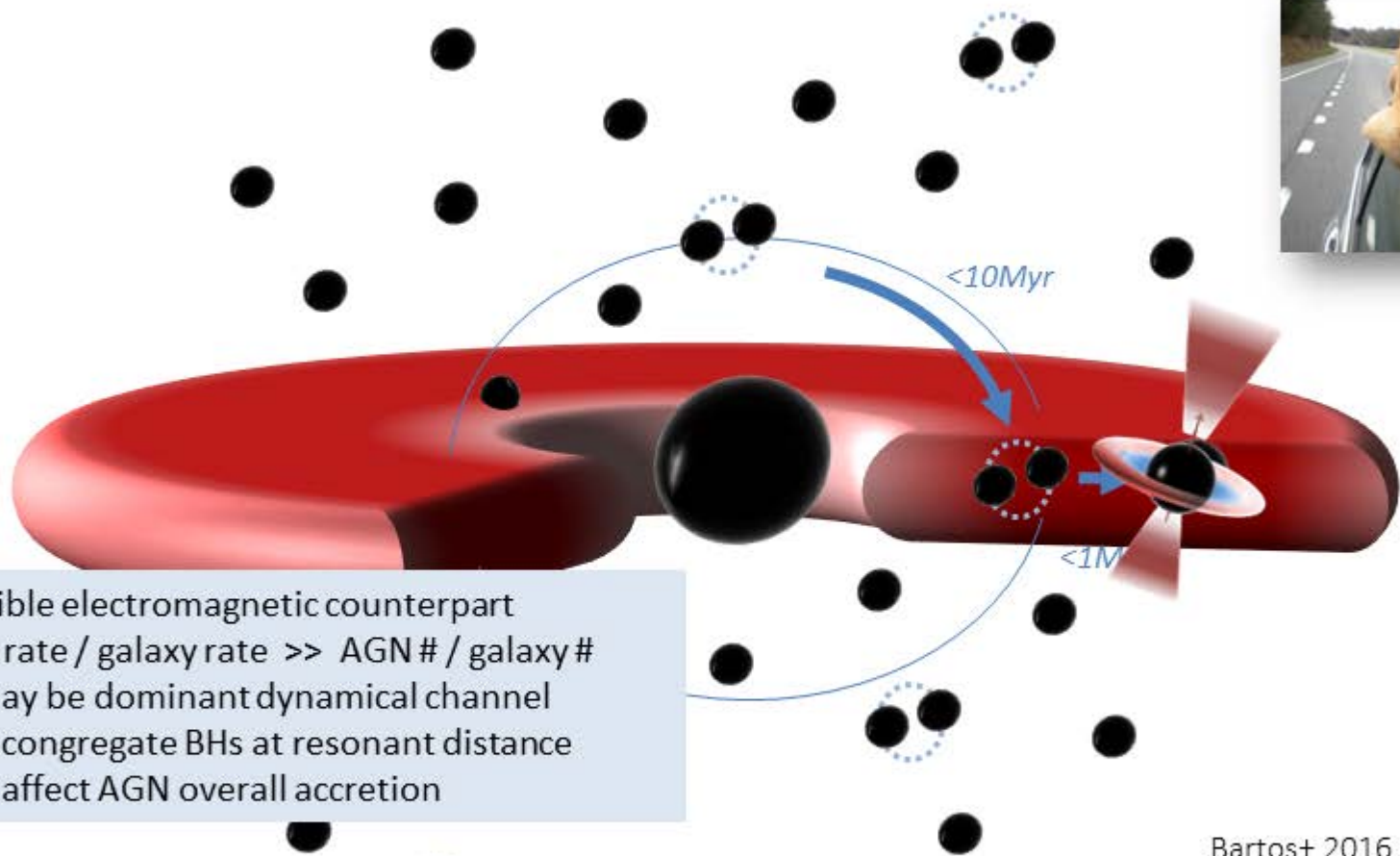
Bartos+ 2016

Binaries migrate into the disk...



Bartos+ 2016

...and then rapidly inspiral via dynamical friction.



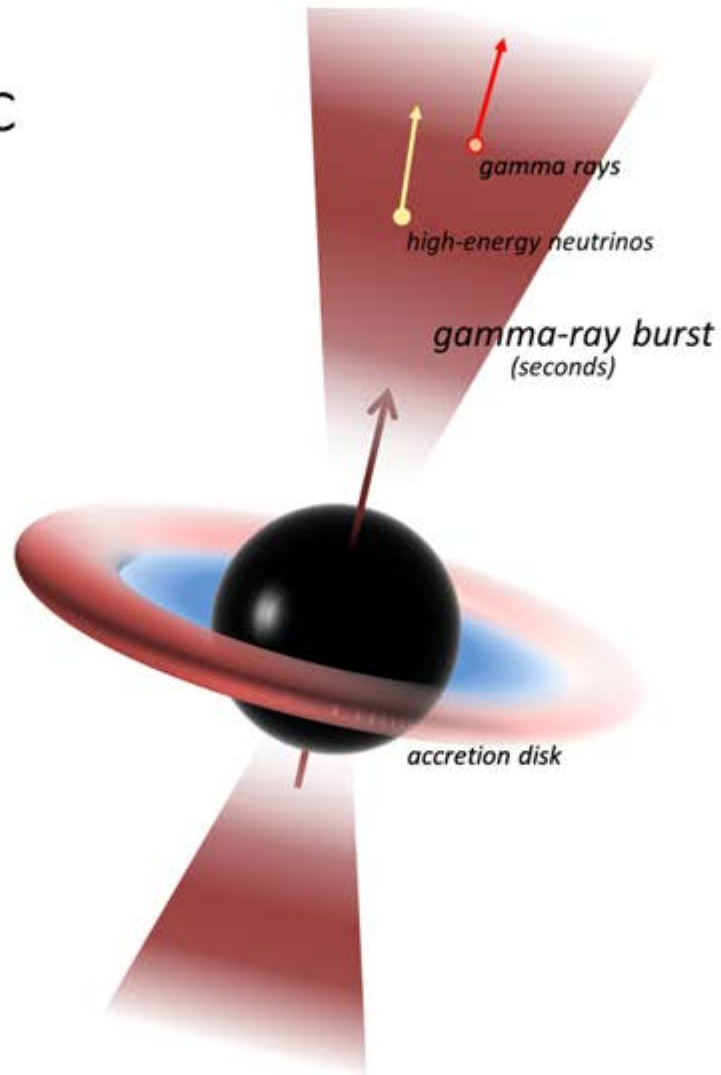
- Possible electromagnetic counterpart
- AGN rate / galaxy rate \gg AGN # / galaxy #
 \rightarrow may be dominant dynamical channel
- May congregate BHs at resonant distance
- May affect AGN overall accretion

Bartos+ 2016

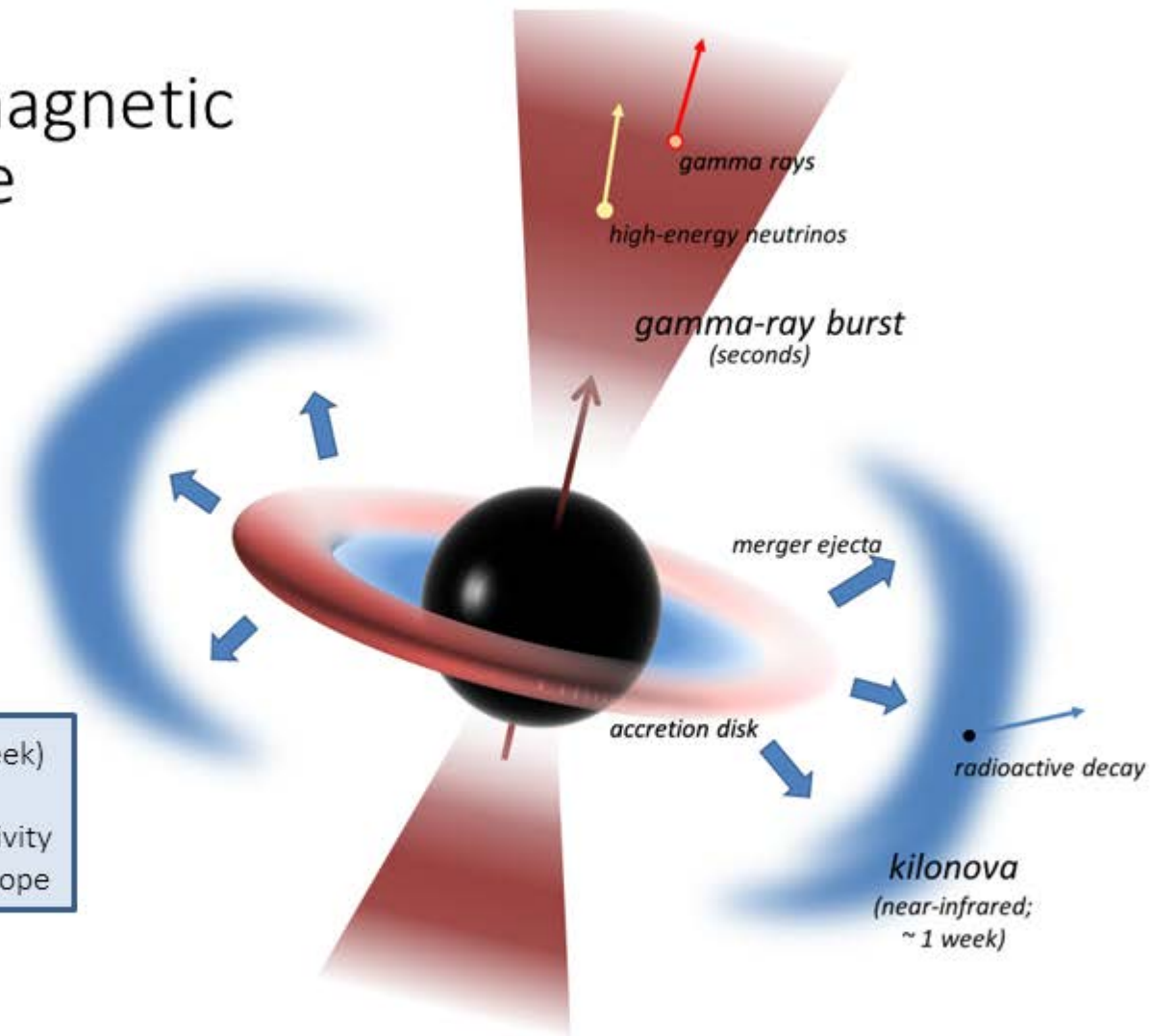
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electromagnetic signature

- Beamed
- Good gamma-ray FoV (Fermi GBM: 64%; LAT: 20%; Swift BAT: 16%; XRT: 0%)
- Gamma-ray long term?
- Follow-up difficult (limited localization)

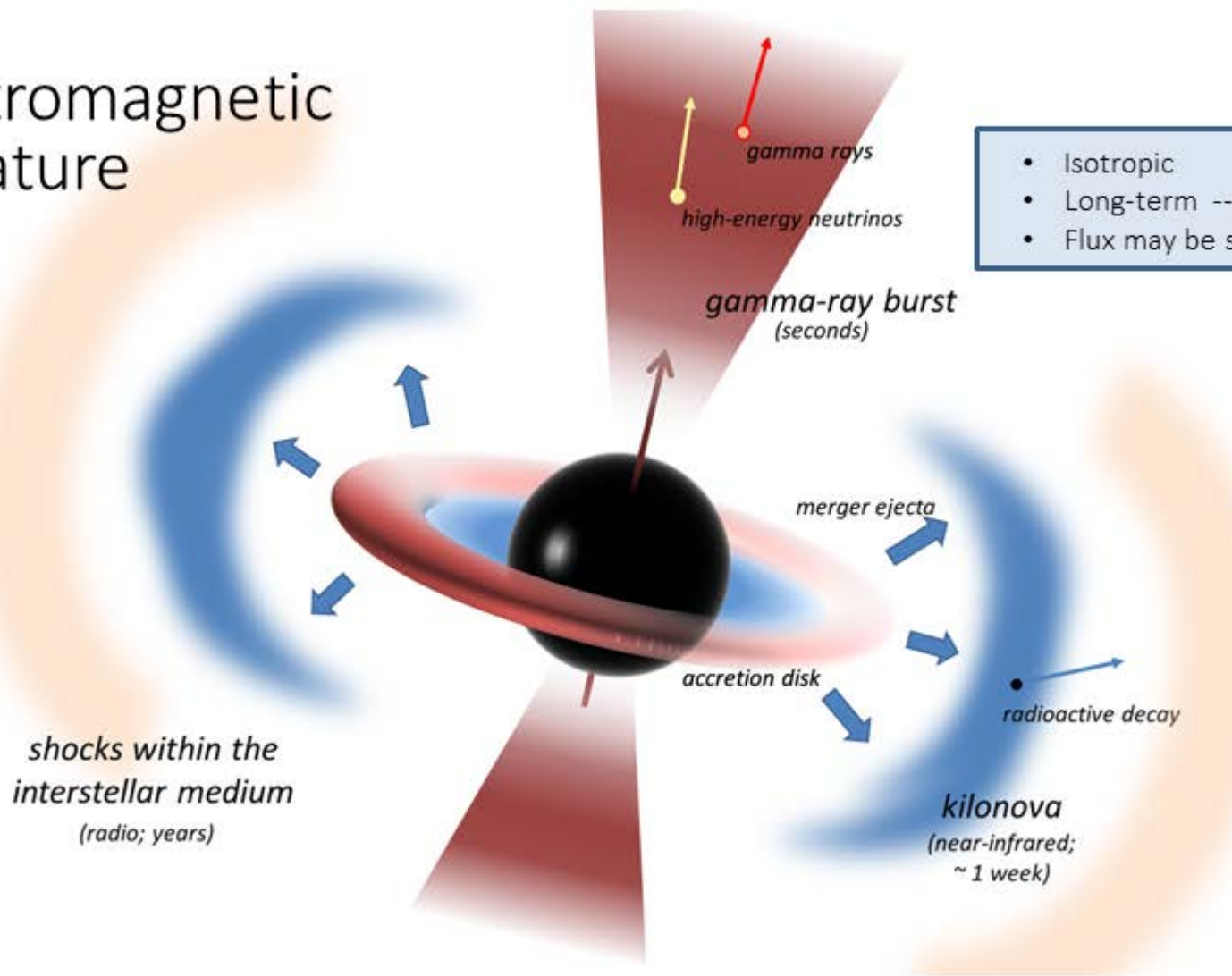


electromagnetic signature



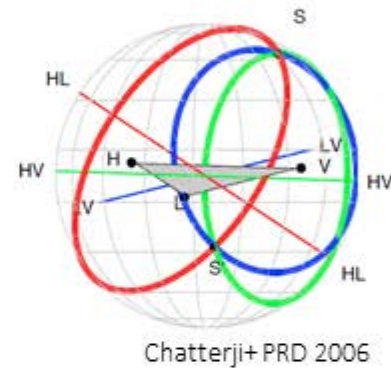
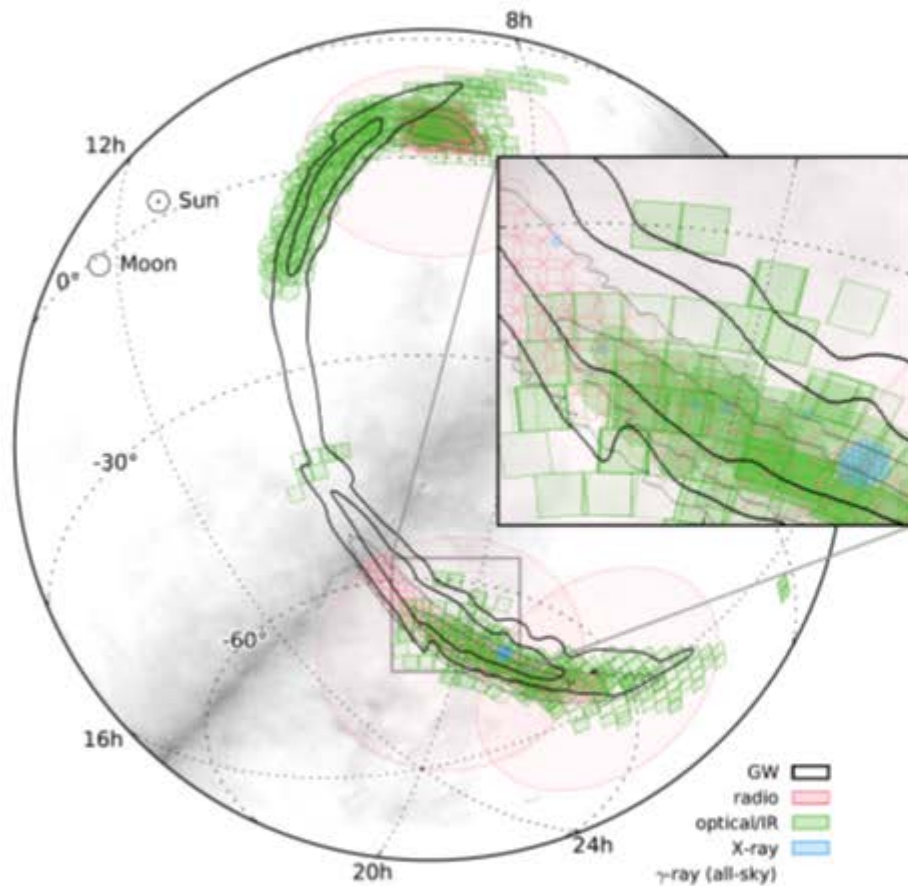
- Good time frame (~week)
- Isotropic
- Limited IR FoV / sensitivity
- → not for every telescope

electromagnetic signature



- Isotropic
- Long-term -- easy follow-up
- Flux may be small?

localization



- 100-1000 deg²
- Improves with more detectors
- Difficult to cover for many optical observatories
- Significant transient foreground (SNe)
- 1/month FAR LIGO triggers

Abbott et al. 2016 (1602.08492)

MORE DETECTORS NEEDED



3-D projection of the Milky Way onto a transparent globe shows the probable locations of confirmed detections GW150914 (green), and GW151226 (blue), and the candidate LVT151012 (red). The outer contour for each represents the 90 percent confidence region while the innermost contour is the 10 percent region. Image credit: LIGO/Axel Mellinger.

GW localization alone can probe origin

What if we have no other information than GW?

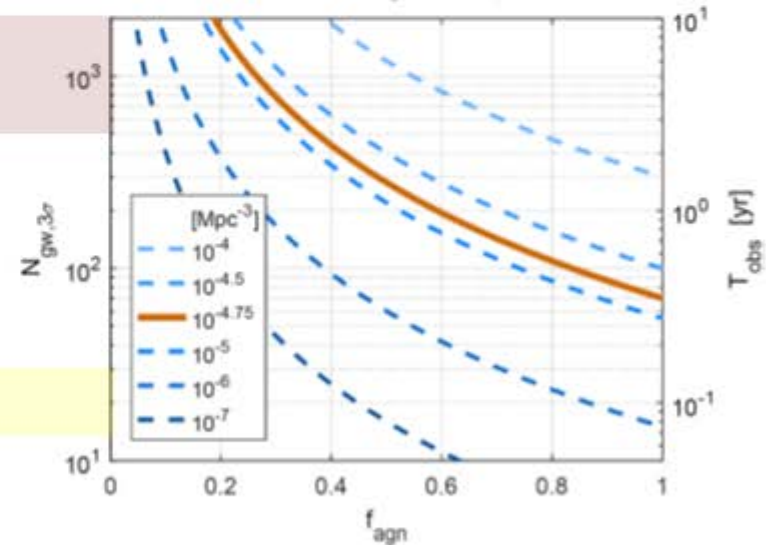
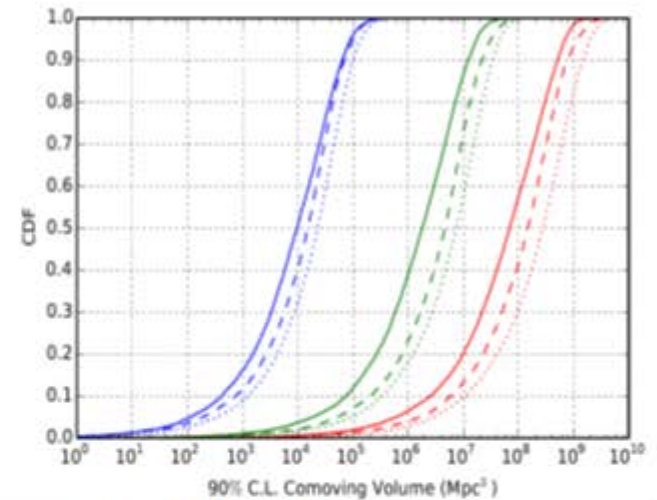
Spatial correlation can be enough
for rare source types



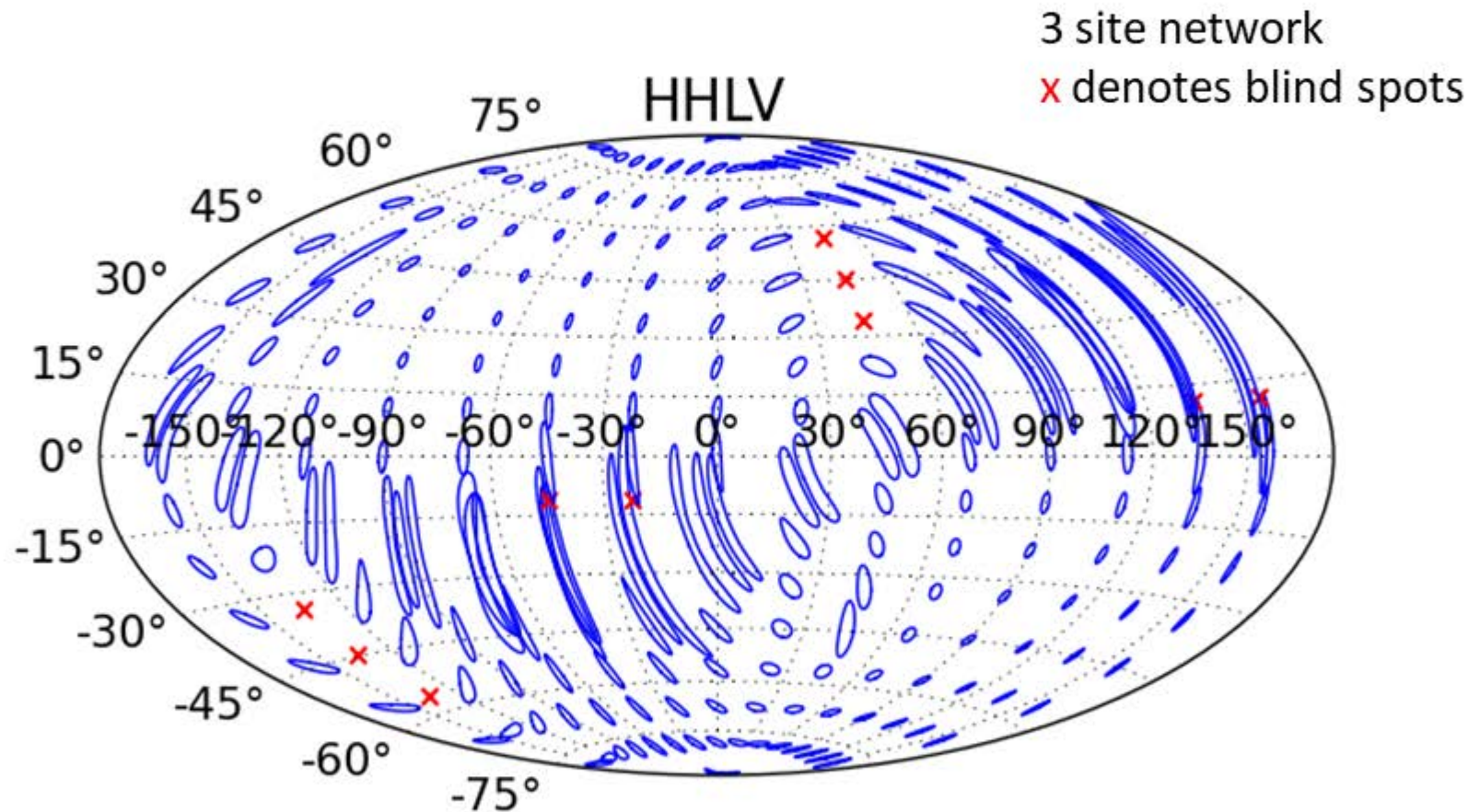
Even fractional contributions to the total
BBH merger rate can be established ($> \sim 20\%$) in \sim few years

Understanding expected formation rate's dependence on
galaxy properties can be game changer

Need more complete & deeper host catalogs



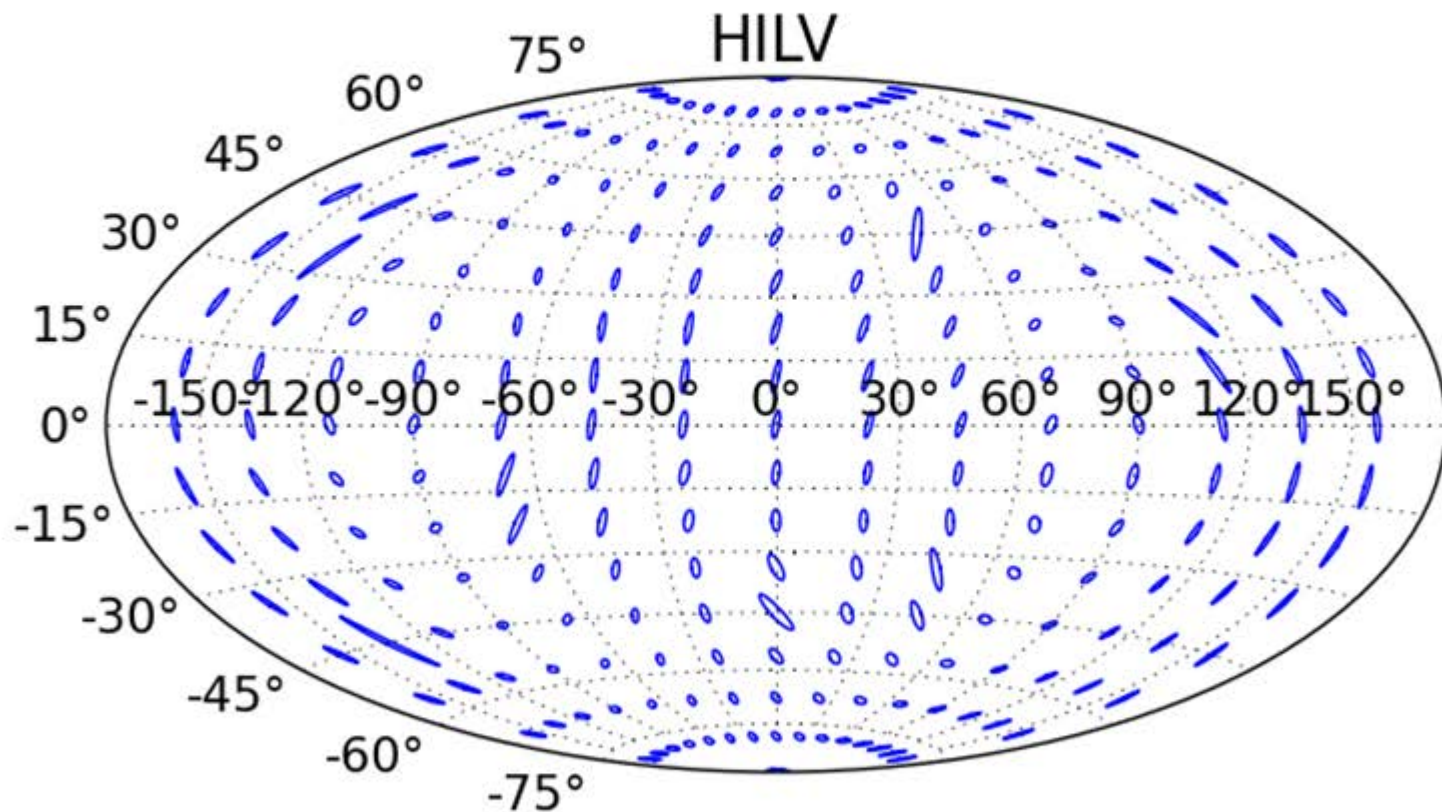
Binary Neutron Star Merger Localization: Hanford-Livingston-Virgo



S. Fairhurst, "Improved source localization with LIGO India", [arXiv:1205.6611v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1205.6611v1) 46

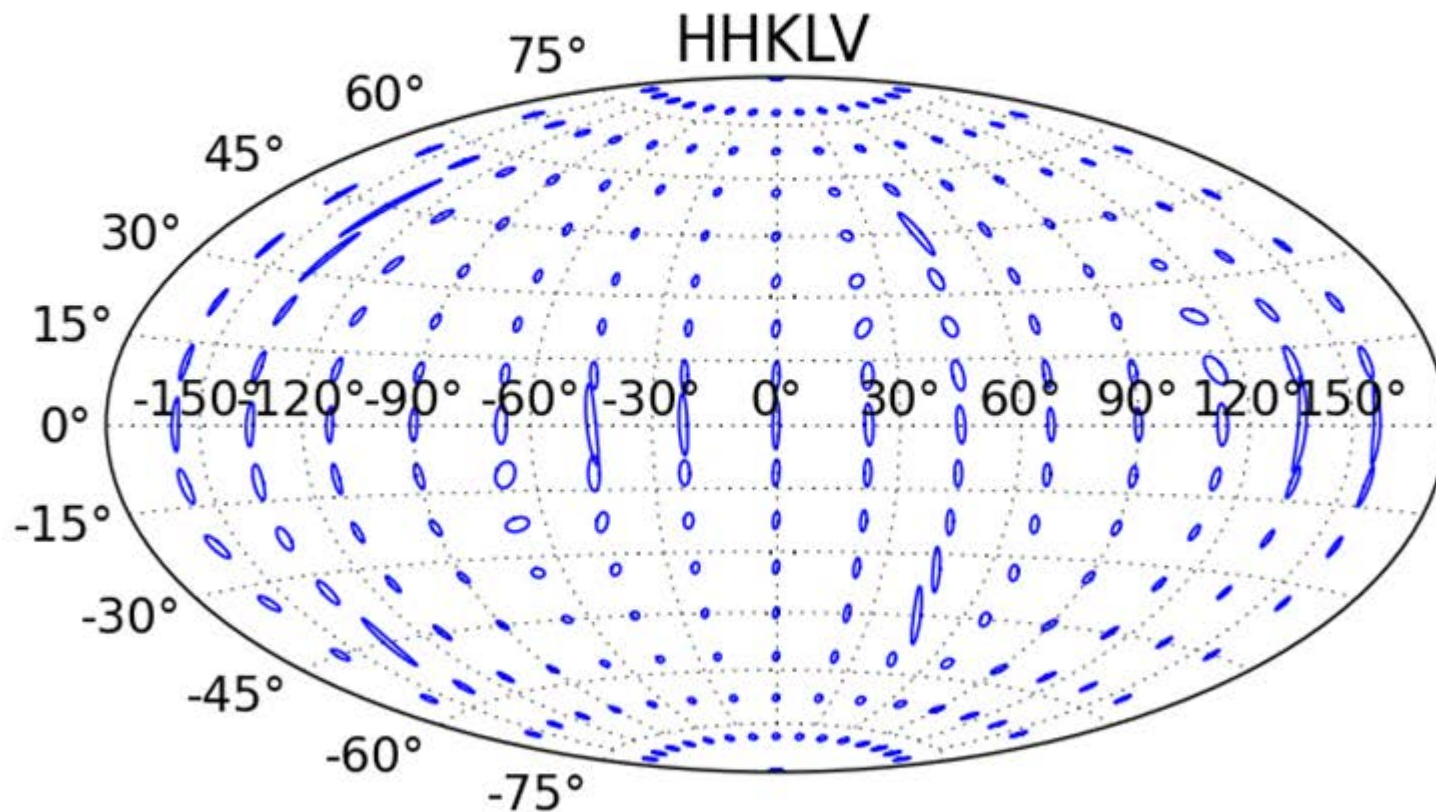
Localization: Hanford-Livingston- Virgo-India

4 site network



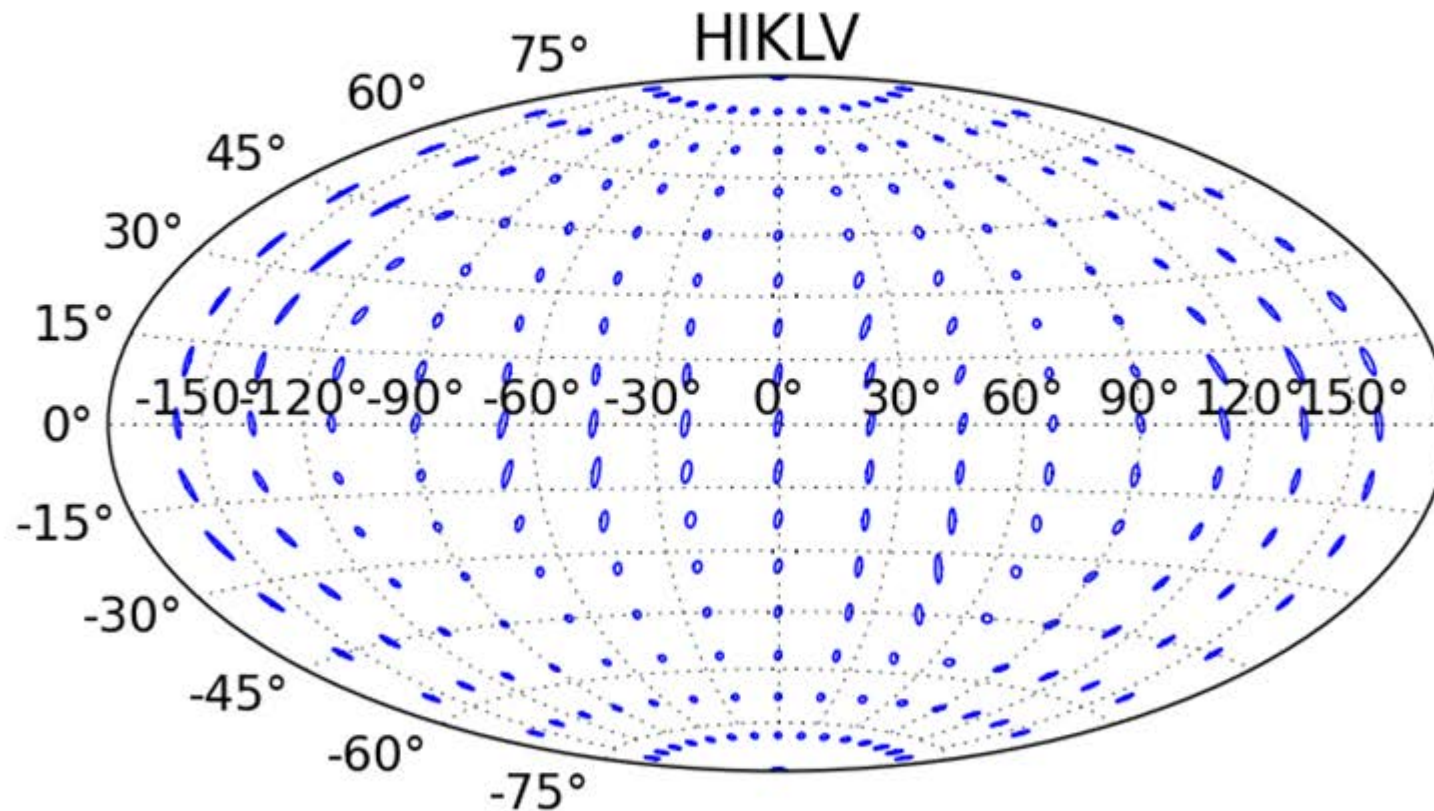
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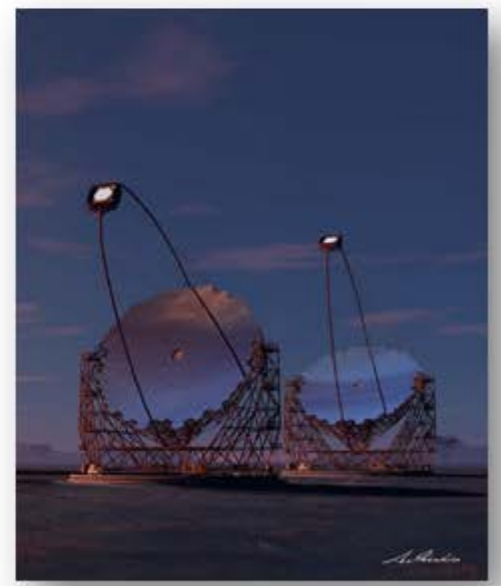
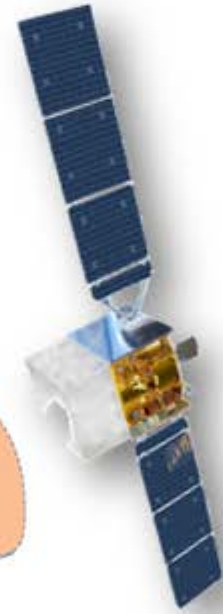
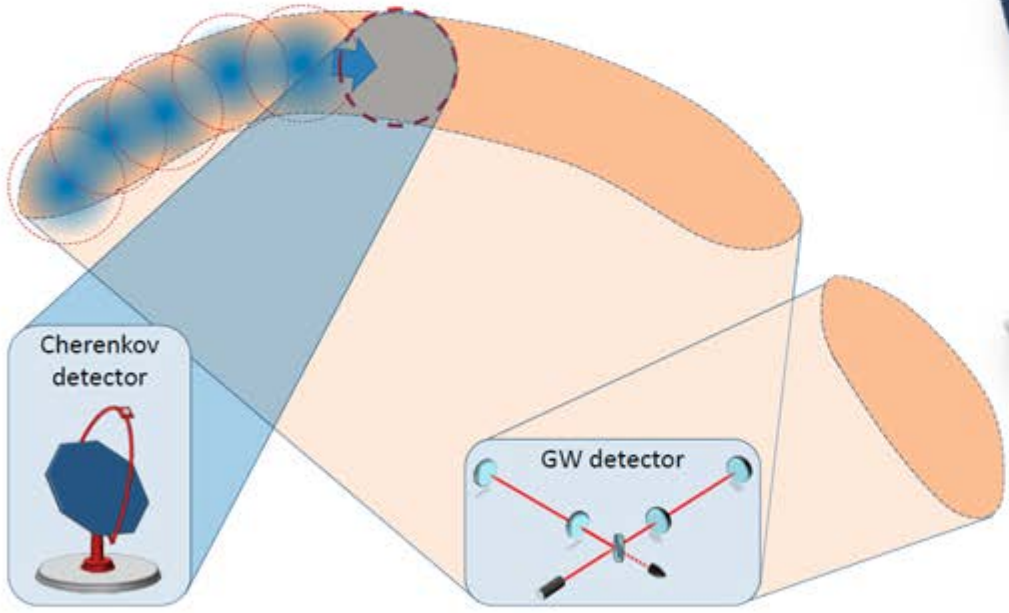
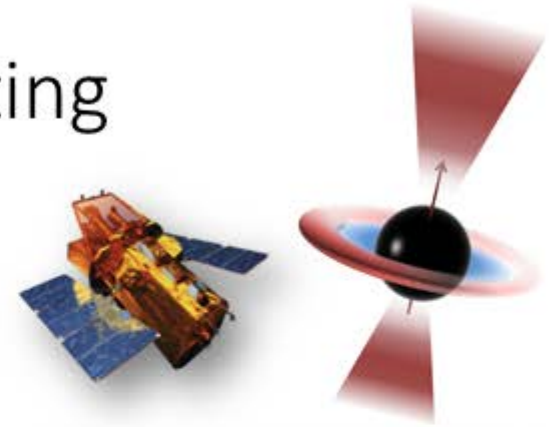
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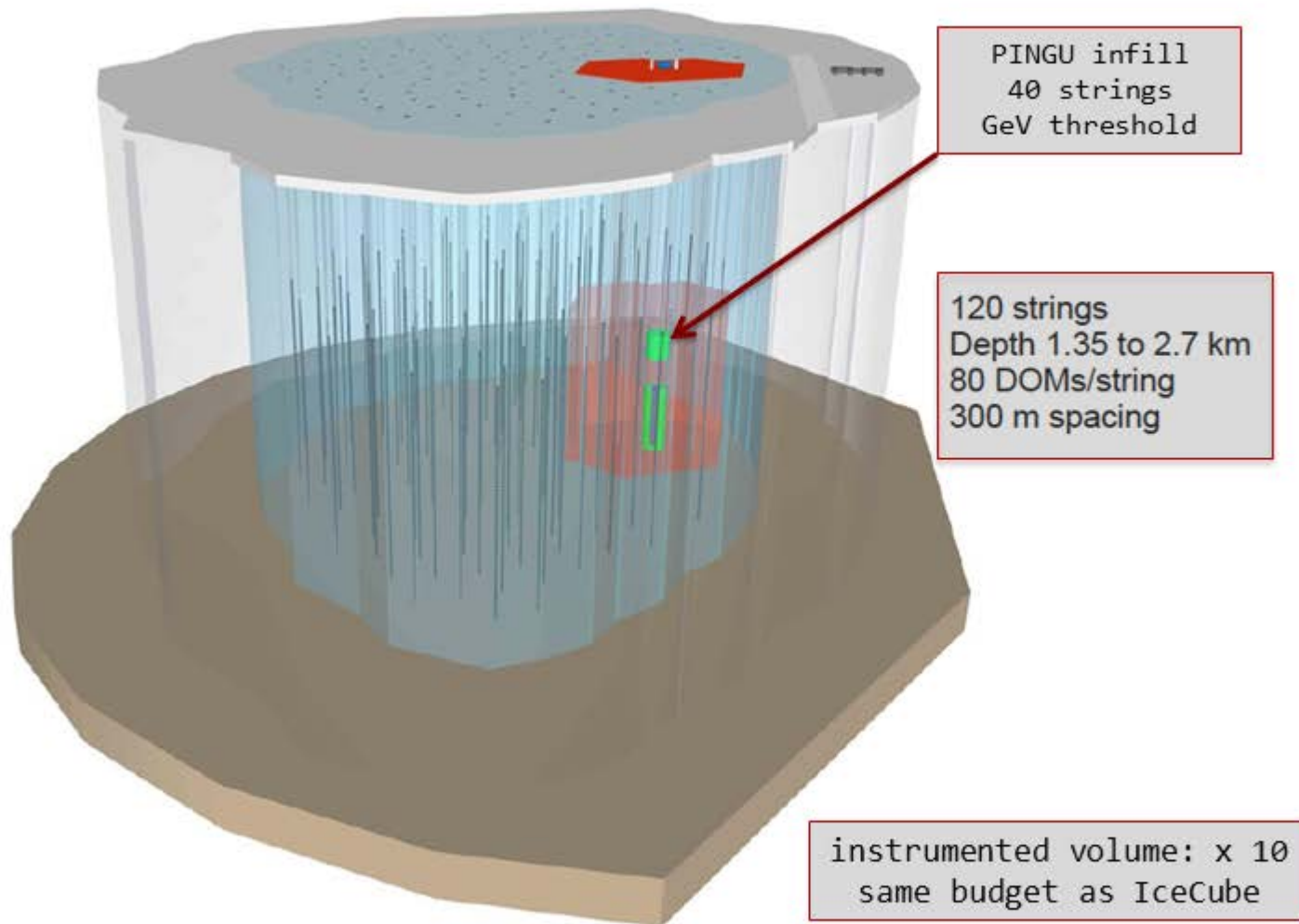
S. Fairhurst, “*Improved source localization with LIGO India*”, [arXiv:1205.6611v1](https://arxiv.org/abs/1205.6611v1)

high-energy emission --- early targeting

- Gamma-ray bursts – all-sky observation
- GeV photons --- large FoV telescopes with quick response (CTA from 2018+)
- Beaming is not good.



beyond IceCube



LSST



✓ 35 m² collecting area
(~ all kilonovae)

✓ Scans the entire available sky
every few nights

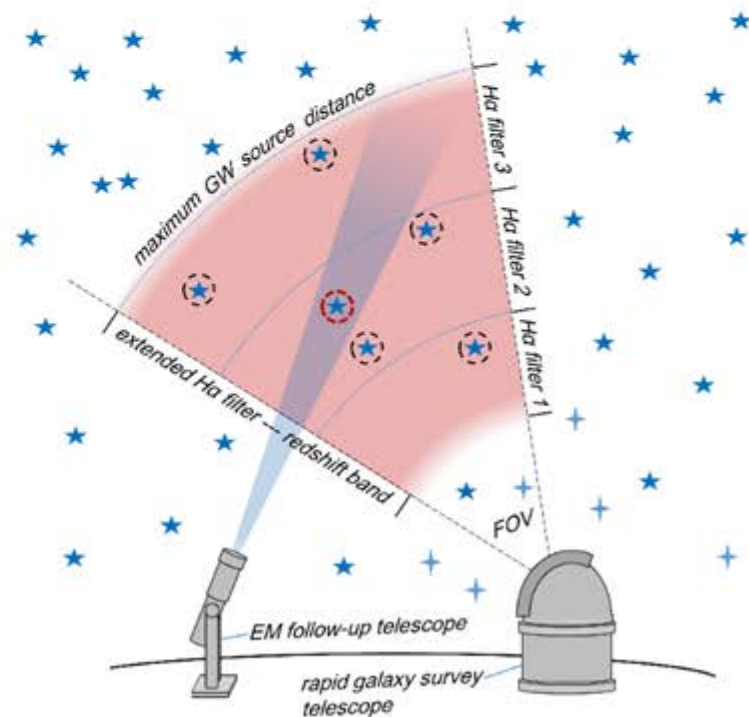
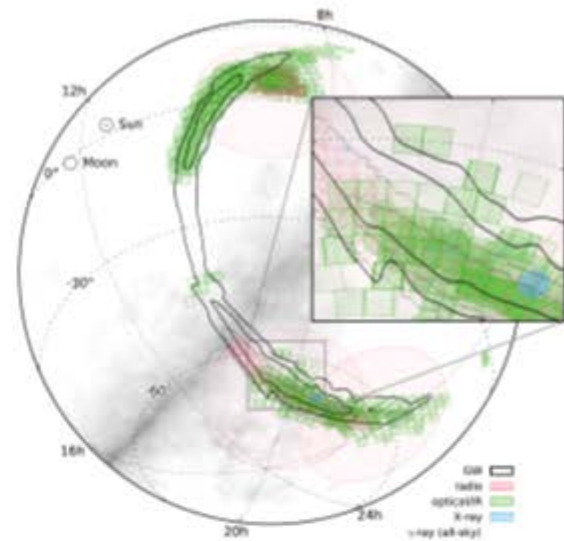
✓ NIR sensitive

Complete in 2022
(we'll have many detections by then)

Huge foreground

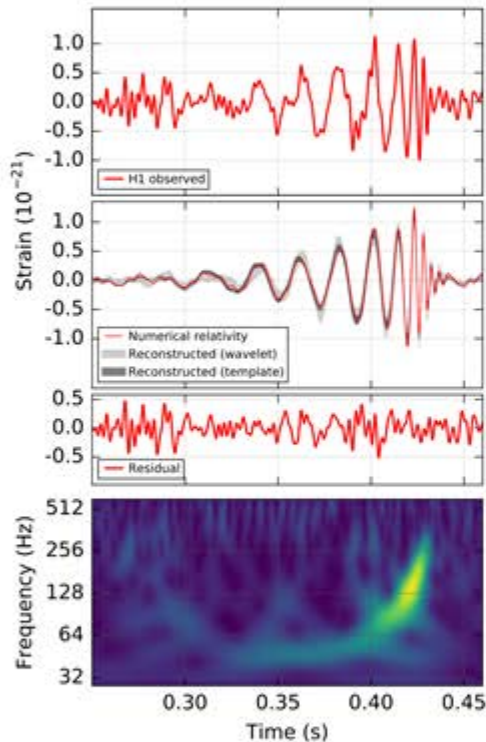
Galaxy Catalogs (*on the fly?*)

- Benefits
 - Target for small FoV telescopes (e.g. Swift-XRT)
 - Decrease false positive rate (abundant transients)
- Current catalogs are not complete
 - GWGC, GLADE, CLU (~40% complete @ 200Mpc)
- Not clear what the good prior is for galaxies (Berger 2014)
- Option: ToO cataloging (Bartos, Crofts, Marka 2015)
 - ✓ 1 week
 - ✓ 200-500 Mpc
 - ✓ 100 deg²
 - ✓ Meter class telescopes work.

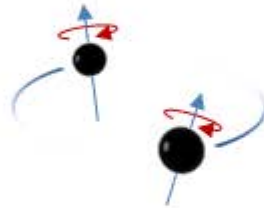


Using galaxies is “essentially” multimessenger by itself.

Other way to increase detection rate: improve GW searches



- Matched filter technique using numerical+analytical waveforms. $O(10^5)$ templates.



15 (+2) parameters

masses (2)
distance (1)
direction (2)
orientation (2)
spin (6)
time (1)
phase (1)
+ eccentricity (2)

- Development:

- Eccentricity, perpendicular spin
- neutron Star tidal deformation
- detector characterization
- Relax model-based restrictions

Disruption: astrophysical information



Yves Meyer
(Abel Prize)

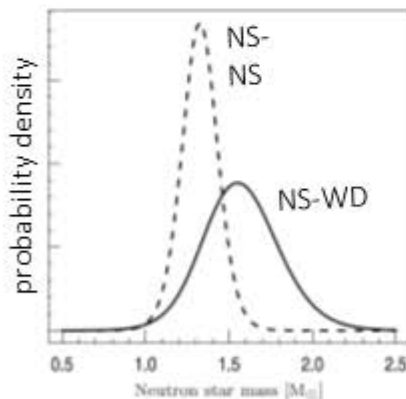
neutron star mass distribution



- possible mass range: $\approx 1M_{\odot} - 3M_{\odot}$
- NS-NS observed in very narrow mass range: $M_{\text{NS}} = 1.33 \pm 0.11$
- Sensitive distance (ρ_{th}) depends on trial factor (N_{trial}):

$$\rho_{\text{th}} \approx \sqrt{2 \ln(N_{\text{trial}}/\text{FAP})}$$

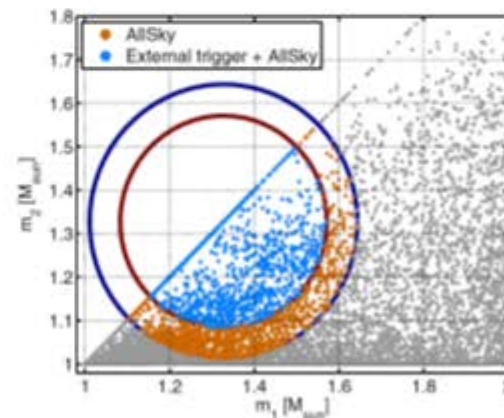
- Detection rate strongly depends on : $\mathcal{R} \propto \rho_{\text{th}}^{-3}$

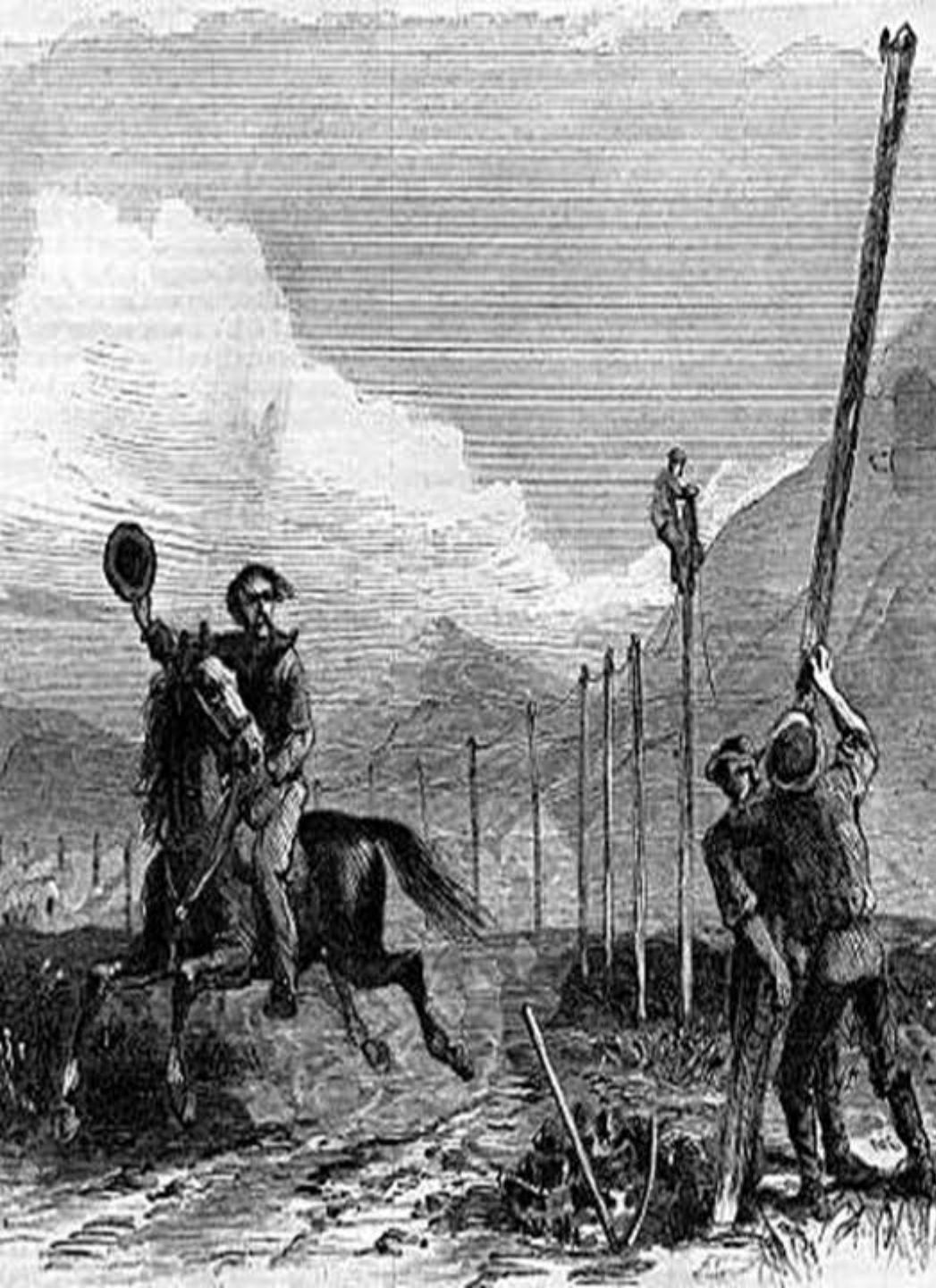


Improvement for optimal size or weighted template bank

- All-sky: **15%**
- *Multimessenger*: **60%**

Bartos & Marka PRL 2015





*Pioneering
fields of
science often
have more
questions than
answers...*



Open Questions for Multimessenger Observations with Gravitational Wave Detectors? Oh... YES !

1. What is the speed of gravitational waves, subluminal or superluminal?
2. Does Einstein's theory of general relativity remain valid in the strong field regime?
3. Does gravity violate parity?
4. Is there a new length scale beyond which general relativity is modified?
5. Which alternative gravity theories can be excluded experimentally?
6. How often can an unidentified electromagnetic transient be explained by a gravitational wave emitter?
7. Is there a high redshift population of intermediate mass black holes?
8. Can gravitational waves help in explaining the origin of Ultra-Luminous X-ray binaries?
9. Can we search for new physics in the ultra-weak field regime?
10. Can a massive graviton serve as a cold-dark-matter candidate ?
11. What fraction of the cosmic source's energy is emitted in the form of gravitational waves?

Open Questions for Multimessenger Observations with Gravitational Wave Detectors? Oh... YES !

12. Can gravitational wave detectors provide an early warning to electromagnetic observers to allow the detection of early light curves ?
13. Do gravitational measurements of distance agree with the concordance cosmology?
14. What is the mass spectrum and spin distribution of black holes ?
15. Are there extra gravitational wave polarizations?
16. Is there a significant non-axisymmetric crust or core dynamics associated with SGRs?

Open Questions for Multimessenger Observations with Gravitational Wave Detectors? Oh... YES !

17. What is the precise origin of SGR flares ? (e.g., What is the mechanism for GW and EM emission and how are they correlated?)
18. Is there a fundamental difference between giant and common SGRs?
19. Do quark stars exist?
20. Can we exclude or confirm some of the SGR models?
21. What is the origin of pulsar glitches?
22. What is the composition and structure of neutron stars and their cores?
23. What is the tallest mountain that can be supported by neutron stars?
24. Can we use GW-EM observations to guide or EM+null GW results to distinguish the local extragalactic SGR contributions from the short GRB population?

Open Questions for Multimessenger Observations with Gravitational Wave Detectors? Oh... YES !

25. What is the nature of gravitational collapse?
26. What is the relationship between the supernova progenitor and remnant (e.g., final mass and spin)?
27. If the supernova remnant is not a black hole, how does it behave? (e.g., a transient hypermassive remnant with unstable modes or collapse to a BH?)
28. What happens in a core collapse supernova before the light and neutrinos escape?
29. What is the delay in between neutrinos and gravitational waves in a core collapse supernovae?
30. What is the role of anisotropic neutrino emission in supernovae?
31. What is the mass of a neutrino?
32. Can we see core collapse supernovae in gravitational waves that are not visible in neutrinos?
33. Is there an electromagnetically hidden population of core collapse events?
34. How many dynamical scenarios are associated with core collapse supernovae? Can we distinguish between them?
35. Can pulsar birth kicks result in detectable gravitational waves?

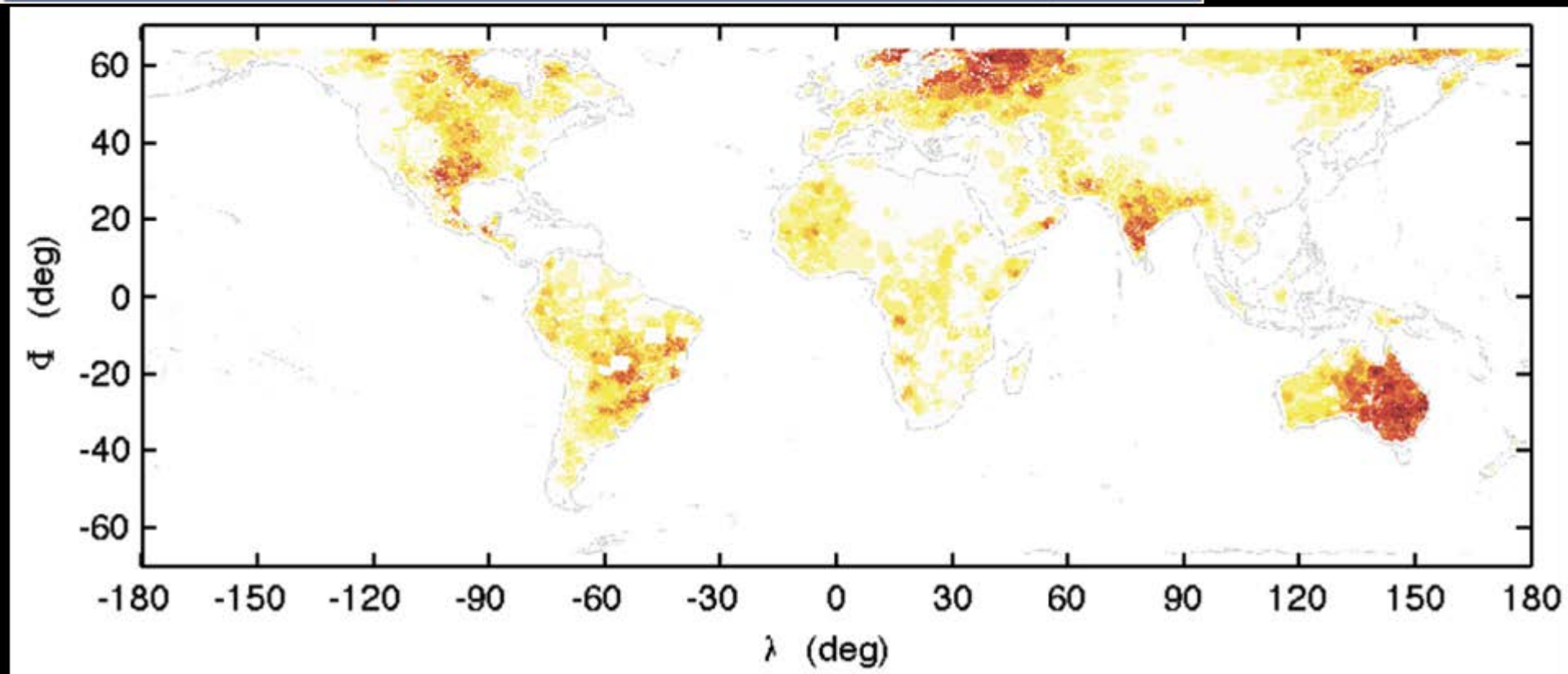
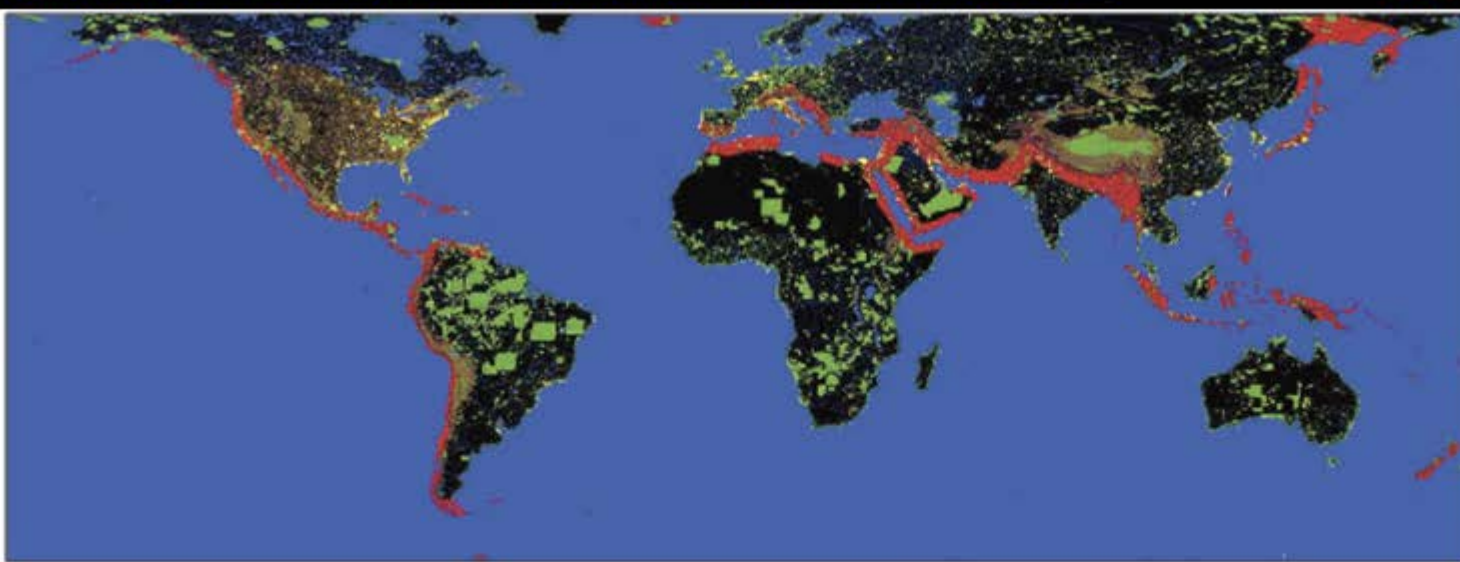
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25. What is the time delay between the electromagnetic brightening and the core collapse of a supernova?
26. What are the properties of the core collapse supernova progenitor?
36. What is the role of the rotation and magnetic fields in stellar core collapse?

37. What is the origin of long and short GRBs? What is the precise dynamics of each GRB engine?
38. Is there any longer-lasting central engine left over from the GRB explosion, and what's its nature?
39. Are there electromagnetically hidden populations of GRBs?
40. Does the hypothesized low luminosity GRB population exist?
41. Can we have direct inferences on the GRB jet parameters from gravitational waves?
42. Can we estimate properties of the nuclear equation state using short GRBs?
43. Can we relate the luminosity distribution of GRBs to beaming and the central engine mechanism?

Open Questions for Multimessenger Observations with Gravitational Wave Detectors? Oh... YES !

25. What is the relationship between the parameters of a compact binary system and its electromagnetic and neutrino emission?
 26. What GRB progenitor models can we confirm or reject?
 27. Are there other (sub)classes of GRBs? Do choked GRBs exist? What is the origin of choked GRBs? Cosmic population of choked GRBs?
 44. What are the engines producing high energy neutrino and gravitational wave emission together?
 45. What is the dynamics/energetics of joint high energy neutrino and gravitational wave emitters?
 46. What is the electromagnetic emission of binary neutron star coalescence?
 47. What is the electromagnetic emission of a neutron star-black hole coalescence?
 48. Is there any electromagnetic emission from binary black hole coalescence?
 49. What is the nature of XRFs and their relationship to long GRBs?
 50. Is it possible to construct a competitive Hubble diagram based on gravitational wave standard sirens?
 51. ...
- ... and dozens(???) of other exciting questions are waiting to be answered by the community!



Takeaway

Multimessenger-gravitational wave astrophysics:

- ✓ More information is more science.

Gravitational-wave detectors:

- ✓ Rapidly expanding horizon (eventually >1 detection/week)
- ✓ Substantial multimessenger effort underway

Road ahead:

- ✓ Initially binary black holes → multimessenger?
- ✓ New, large-scale observatories (LSST, CTA, JWST, SKA, ...)
- ✓ Localization / host galaxy catalogs
- ✓ Astrophysical information → GW searches





Questions?

