

**New recycled binary pulsars
from the High Time Resolution
Universe Pulsar Survey
(HTRU) - the North**



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Overview

HTRU: North and South

HTRU-North: discoveries and mass measurements

PSR J1946+3417

PSR J2045+3633

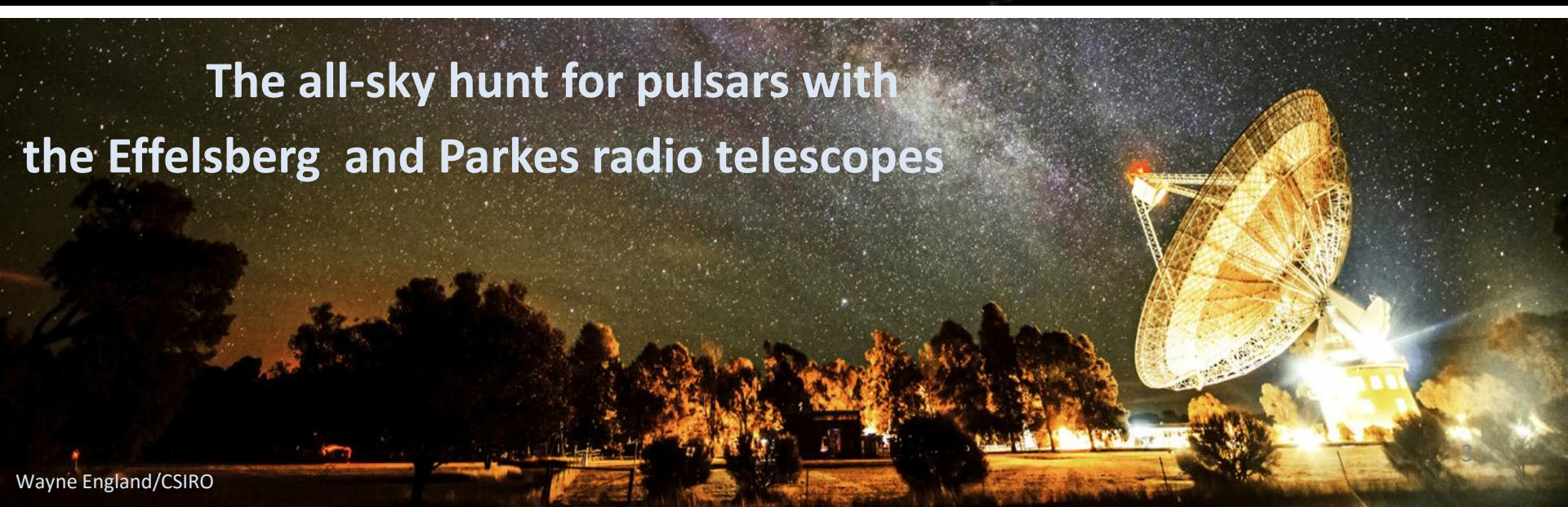
PSR J2053+4650

Prospects

THE HIGH TIME RESOLUTION UNIVERSE SURVEY

A large radio telescope dish is shown at night, illuminated from below. The sky is dark with a large, bright full moon in the upper right corner. The telescope's structure is a complex lattice of white metal.

The all-sky hunt for pulsars with
the Effelsberg and Parkes radio telescopes

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HTRU - The Deepest All-Sky Pulsar Survey Ever: Motivation

New pulsars are always welcome!

(especially binaries \longrightarrow especially double neutron star binaries and pulsar-black hole (“holy Grail”) binaries)

Magnetars

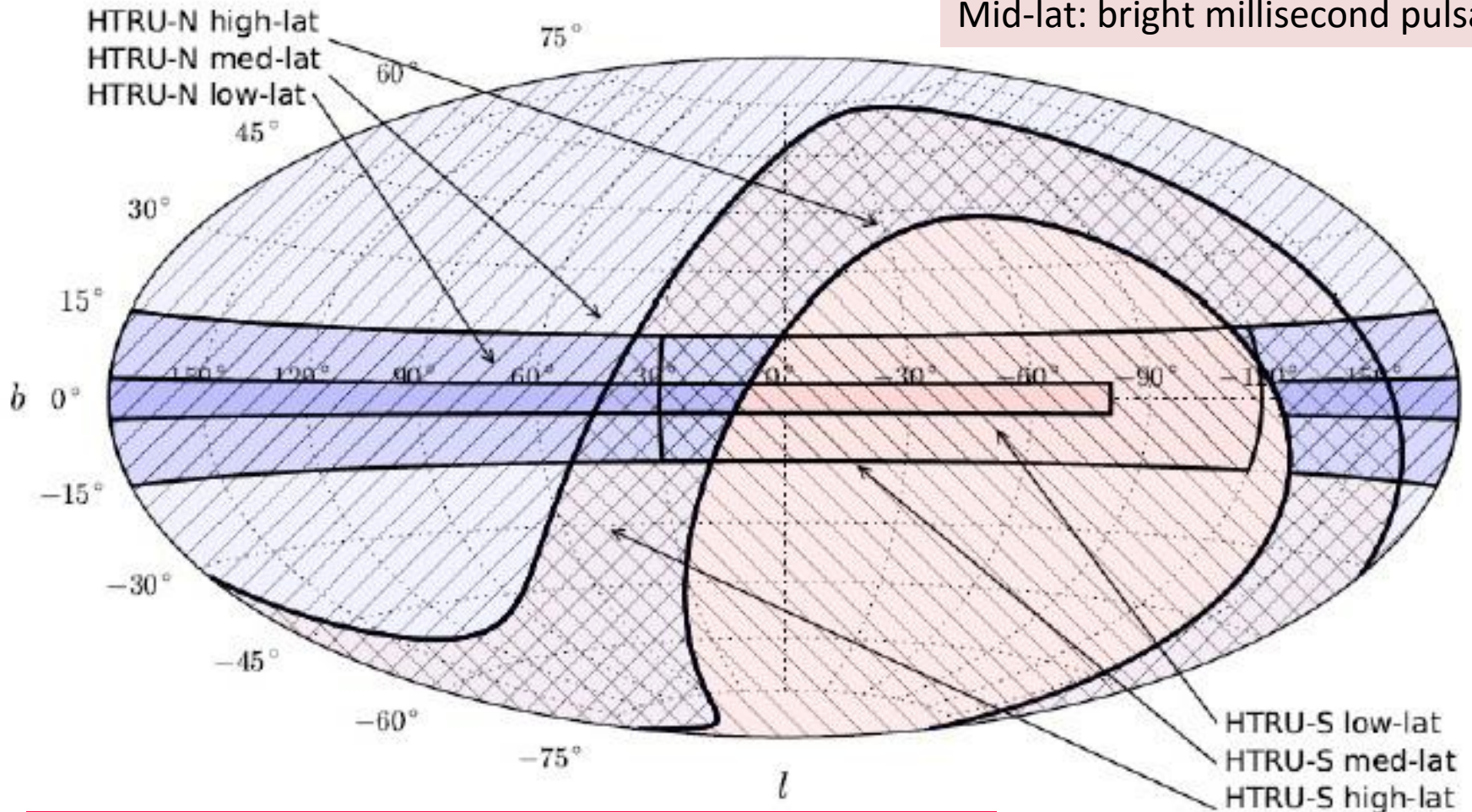
Fast radio bursts (FRBs)

- **North:** The first all-northern-sky survey in more than 20 years!
- **South:** Find what has not been found in previous surveys
 - Much higher time and frequency resolution allow us to probe deeper into the Galactic plane for short duration signals
 - High-performing processing tools are available

The HTRU sky

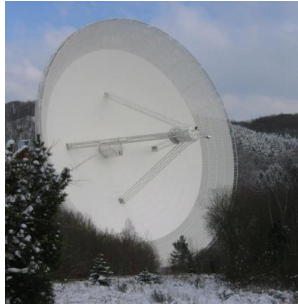
High-lat: bright pulsars and both Galactic and extragalactic transients

Mid-lat: bright millisecond pulsars



Low-lat: double neutron stars and others exotic objects

HTRU: Setups



	Northern survey	Southern Survey
Start date	Summer 2010	Early 2008
Telescope	Effelsberg-100 m	Parkes-64 m
Sky coverage	$\delta > -20^\circ$	$\delta < +10^\circ$
Integration time	Low-lat: 1500 s Mid-lat: 180 s High-lat: 90 s	Low-lat: 4300 s Mid-lat: 540 s High-lat: 270 s
Receiver	7-beam 1.4-GHz receiver	13-beam 1.35-GHz receiver
Backend	Pulsar Fast Fourier Transform Spectrometer (PFFTS)	Berkeley-Parkes-Swinburne Recorder (BPSR)
Bandwidth	240 MHz	340 MHz
No. of channels	512	1024
Freq. resolution	0.58 MHz	0.39 MHz
Time resolution	54 μs	64 μs
No. of sky pointings	$\sim 180\,000$	$\sim 43\,000$
Data size	~ 2.5 petabytes	~ 1 petabyte

High time and frequency resolution!

Searching

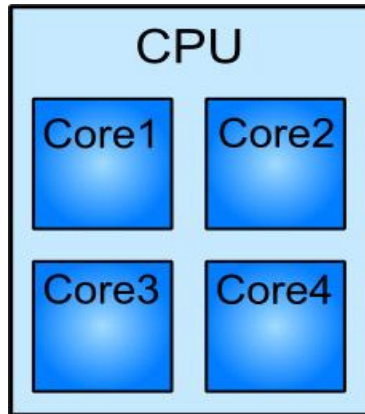
Single-pulse search
(pulsars, transients,
FRBs)



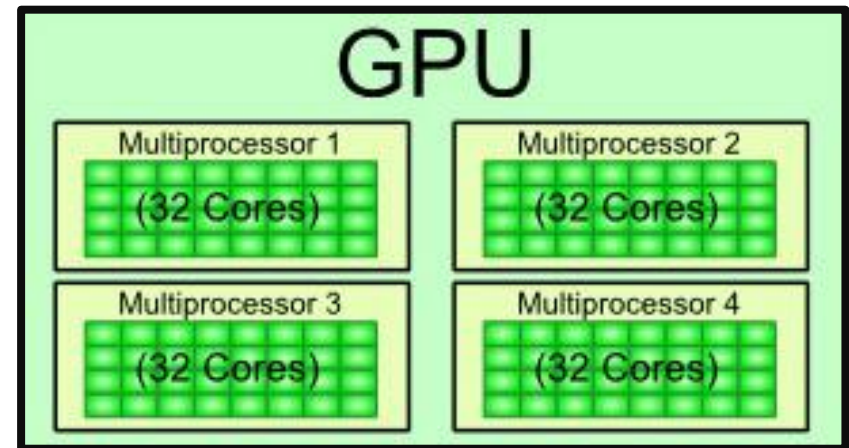
Periodicity search
(normal pulsars,
MSPs)



Acceleration search
(most exotic
systems)



Tools



SIGPROC

(sigproc.sourceforge.net)

PRESTO

(<http://www.cv.nrao.edu/~sransom/presto/>)

HEIMDALL (Barsdell et al. 2012)

PEASOUP (E.Barr)

Status, discoveries

HTRU-North

Mid-lat: 38% observed, 37% processed*

Low-lat (3-min pointings): 68% observed, 65% processed*

19 new pulsars

HTRU-South

Mid-lat: 100% completed

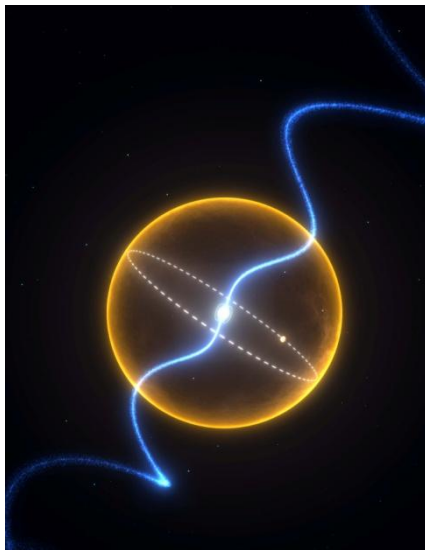
Low-lat : 100% observed, 60% processed

High-lat: 100% observed, 42% processed

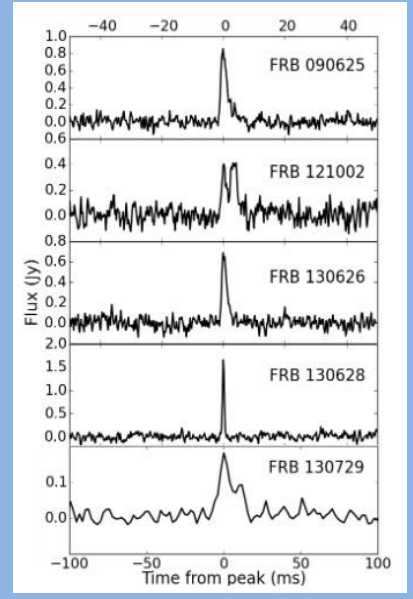
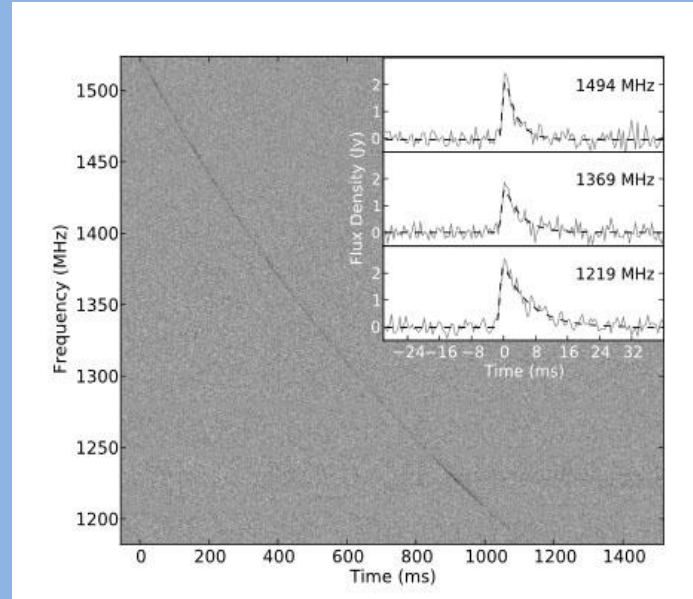
~190 new pulsars, 9 FRBs

* in the FAST PIPELINE (downsampled version of the data, without acceleration search)

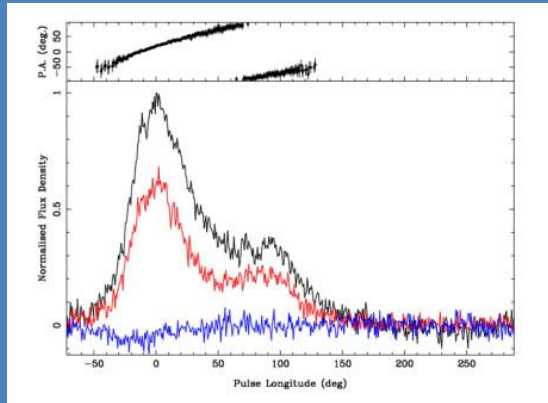
A few HTRU highlights ...



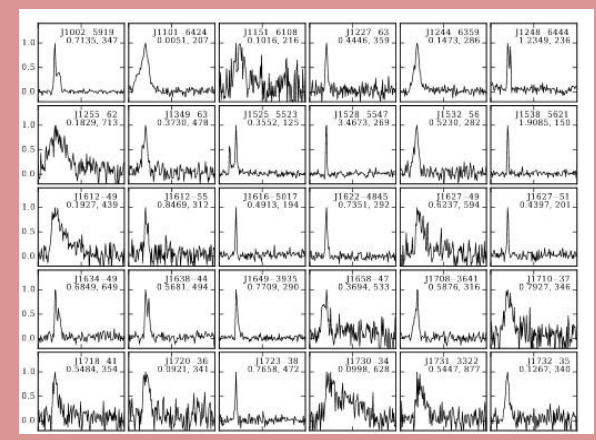
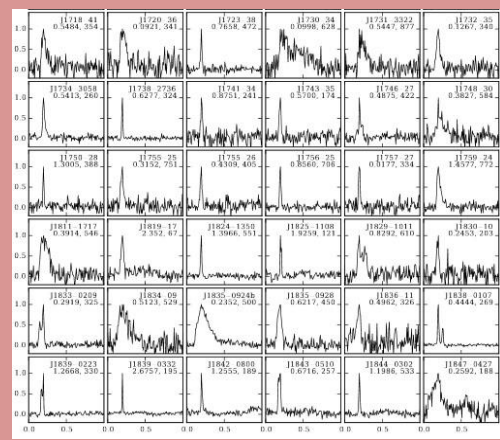
“Diamond planet”
pulsar
(Bailes et al. 2011)



9 FRBs (Thornton et al. 2013, Champion et al. 2015)



Radio-loud magnetar
J1622–4950
(Levin et al 2010, 2011)

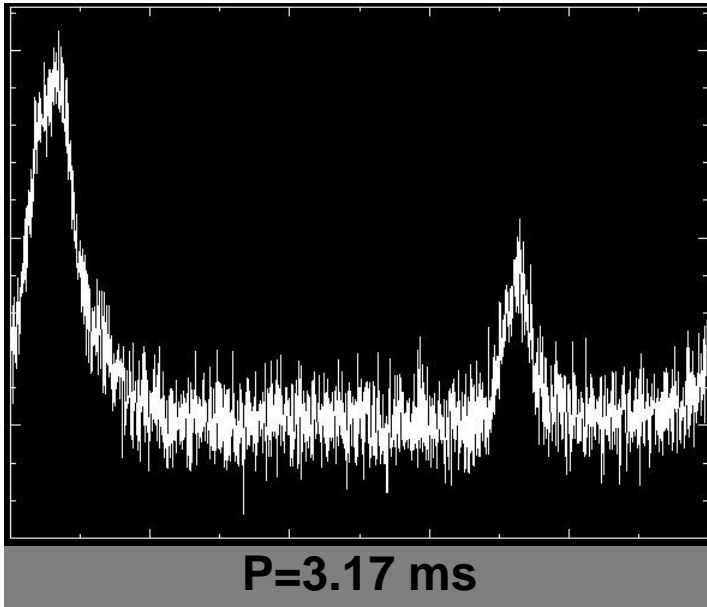


60 new pulsars (Ng et al. 2015)

An aerial photograph of the HTRU-North radio telescope. The large, white, parabolic dish is mounted on a complex metal support structure. It is situated in a valley surrounded by dense green forests. In the background, there are several buildings and a paved area, likely part of the observatory's infrastructure. The text "HTRU-North: most promising discoveries" is overlaid in white at the bottom of the image.

HTRU-North: most promising
discoveries

PSR J1946+3417: a massive **eccentric** MSP with a low-mass helium white dwarf companion



Eccentricity	~ 0.134
Orbital period	~ 27 days
Companion mass	~ 0.27 solar

Formation mechanism

1. Hierarchical triple system?
(*Barr et al. 2013*)
2. Rotationally-delayed accretion induced collapse (RD-AIC)?
(*Freire & Tauris 2014*)
3. Eccentricity growth through interaction with a circumbinary disk?
(*Antoniadis 2014*)
4. A strange star scenario?
(*Jiang et al. 2015*)
5. *Something else...*
(*Barr, Freire, Berezhina 2016, in prep.*)

J1946+3417: Mass measurement

3 years of Effelsberg timing + Arecibo campaign

$$f(m_p, m_c) = \frac{(m_c \sin i)^3}{(m_p + m_c)^2} = \frac{4\pi^2}{G} \frac{(a_p \sin i)^3}{P_b^2}$$

For GR:

$$\dot{\omega} = 3T_{\odot}^{2/3} \left(\frac{P_b}{2\pi}\right)^{-5/3} \frac{1}{1-e^2} (m_p + m_c)^{2/3}$$

$$\gamma = T_{\odot}^{2/3} \left(\frac{P_b}{2\pi}\right)^{1/3} e \frac{m_c(m_p + 2m_c)}{(m_p + m_c)^{4/3}}$$

$$r = T_{\odot} m_c$$

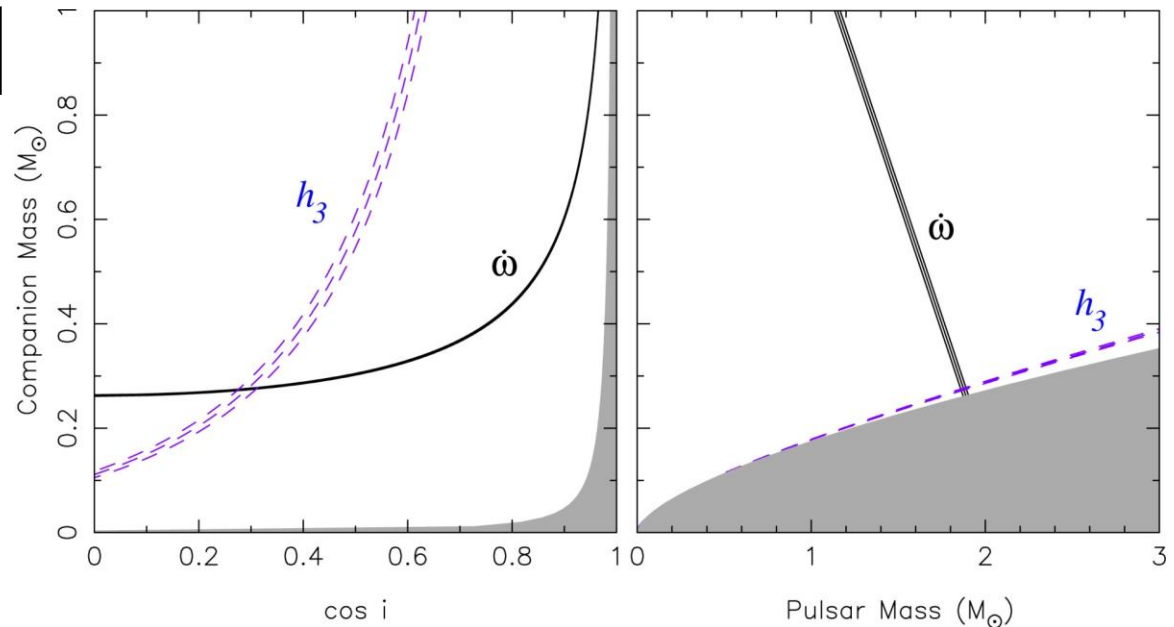
$$s = \sin i = T_{\odot}^{-1/3} \left(\frac{P_b}{2\pi}\right)^{-5/3} x \frac{(m_p + m_c)^{2/3}}{m_c}$$

$$\dot{P}_b = -\frac{192\pi}{5} T_{\odot}^{5/3} \left(\frac{P_b}{2\pi}\right)^{-5/3} f(e) \frac{m_p m_c}{(m_p + m_c)^{1/3}}$$

$$\Omega_{\text{geod}} = \left(\frac{2\pi}{P_b}\right)^{5/3} T_{\odot}^{2/3} \frac{m_c(4m_p + 3m_c)}{2(m_p + m_c)^{4/3}} \frac{1}{1-e^2}$$

$$T_{\odot} = GM_{\odot}/c^3 = 4.9254909\mu\text{s}$$

(Damour & Deruelle 1982)

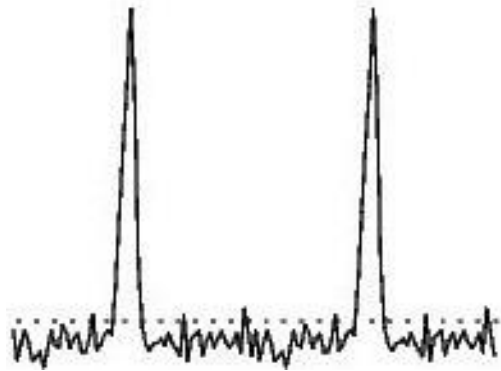


$h_3(r, s)$ – “Orthometric” amplitude of the Shapiro delay (Freire & Wex, 2010)

$$M_1: 1.8840915 \pm 0.0277536$$

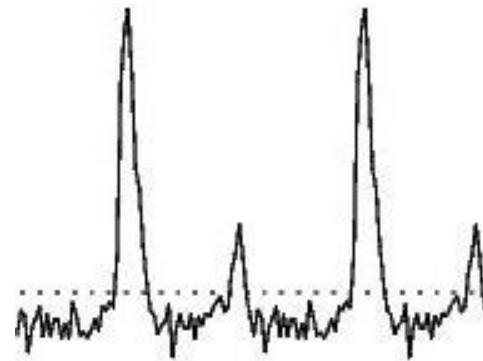
Two **new** bright recycled pulsars!!!

PSR J2045+3633



Spin period: **31.68 ms**

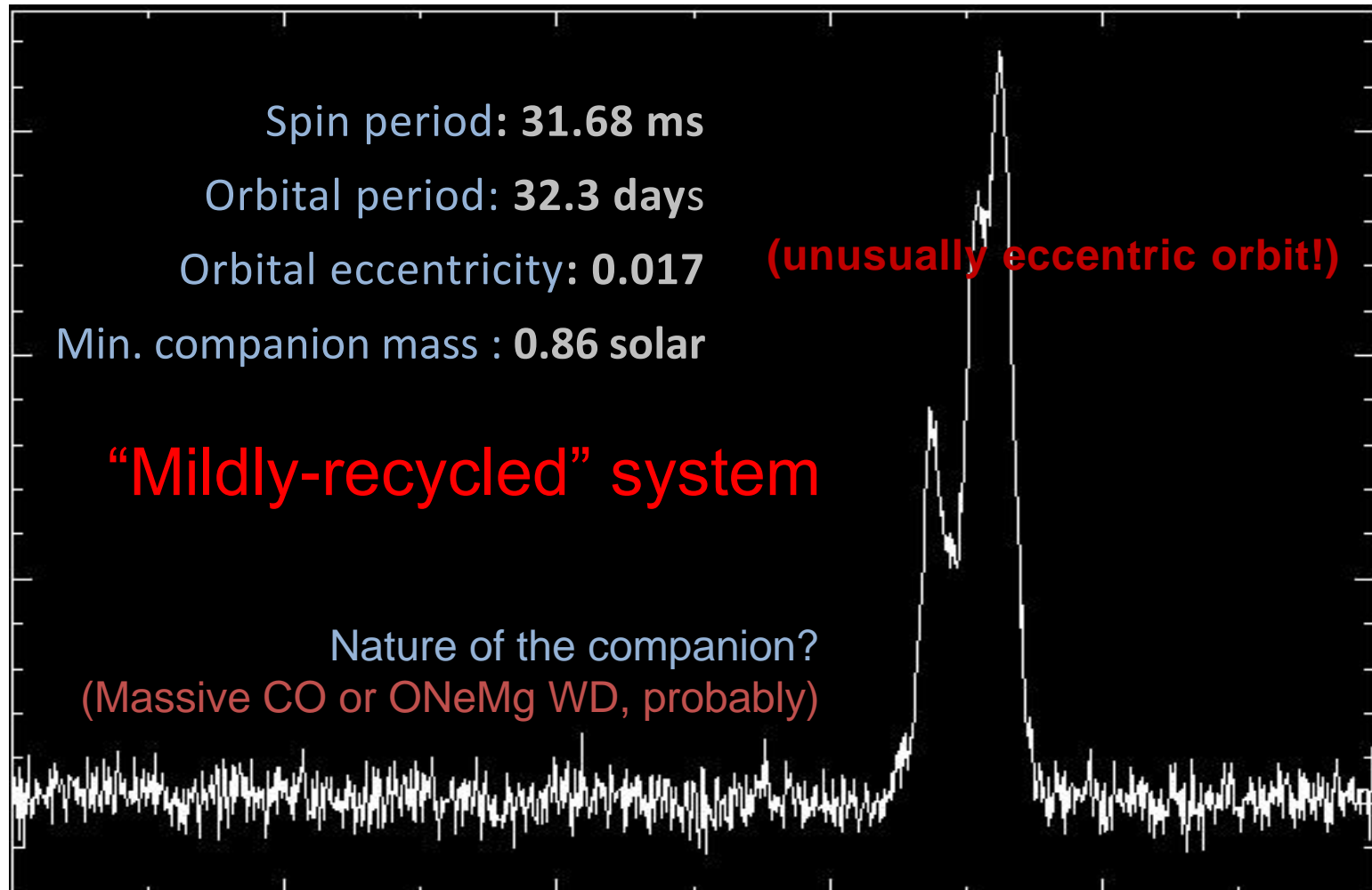
PSR J2053+4650



Spin period: **12.58 ms**

Berezina et al. (2016, in prep)

PSR J2045+3633



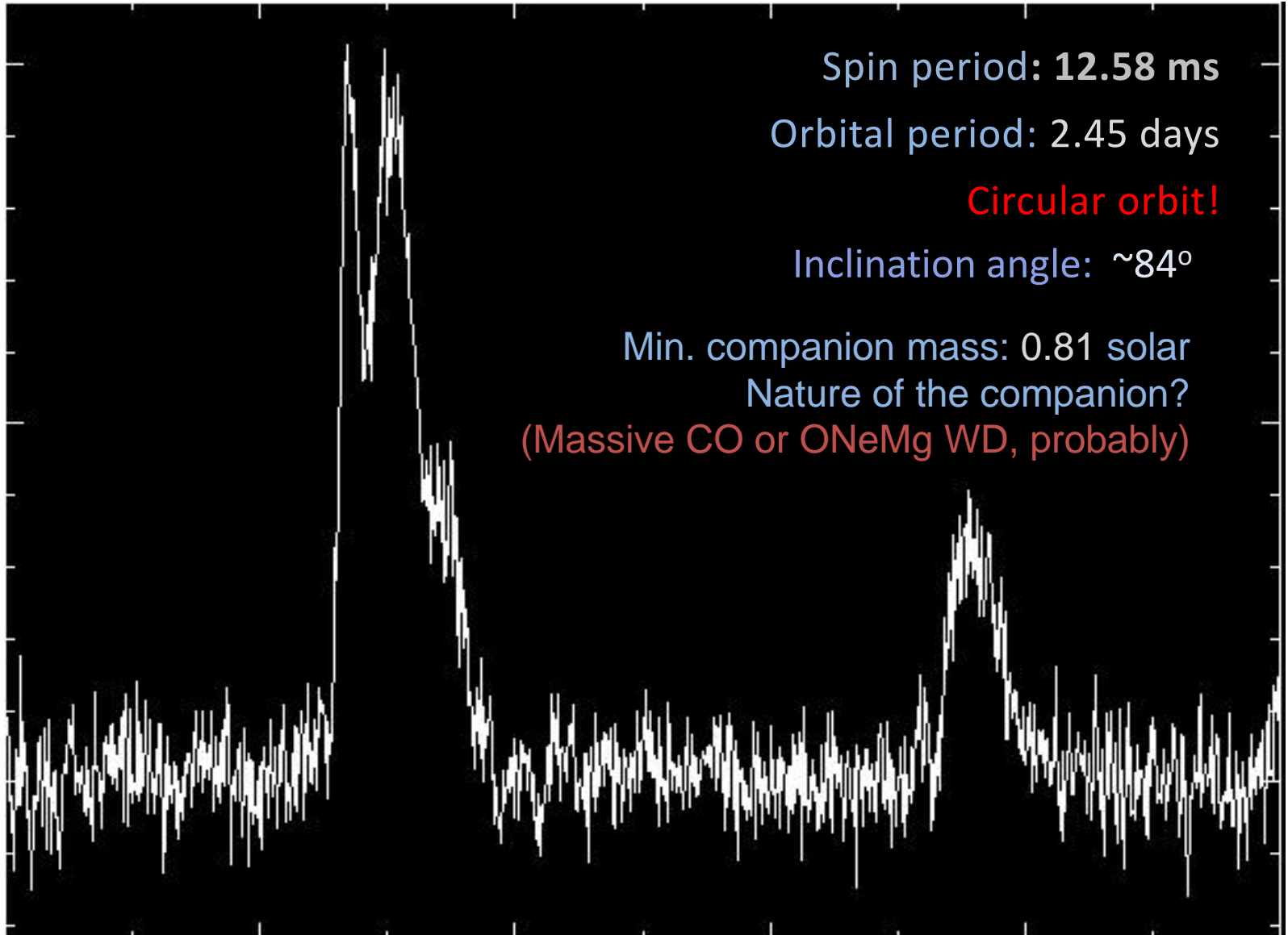
Effelsberg, Jodrell Bank, Nançay, Arecibo

Shapiro delay, Omega dot?

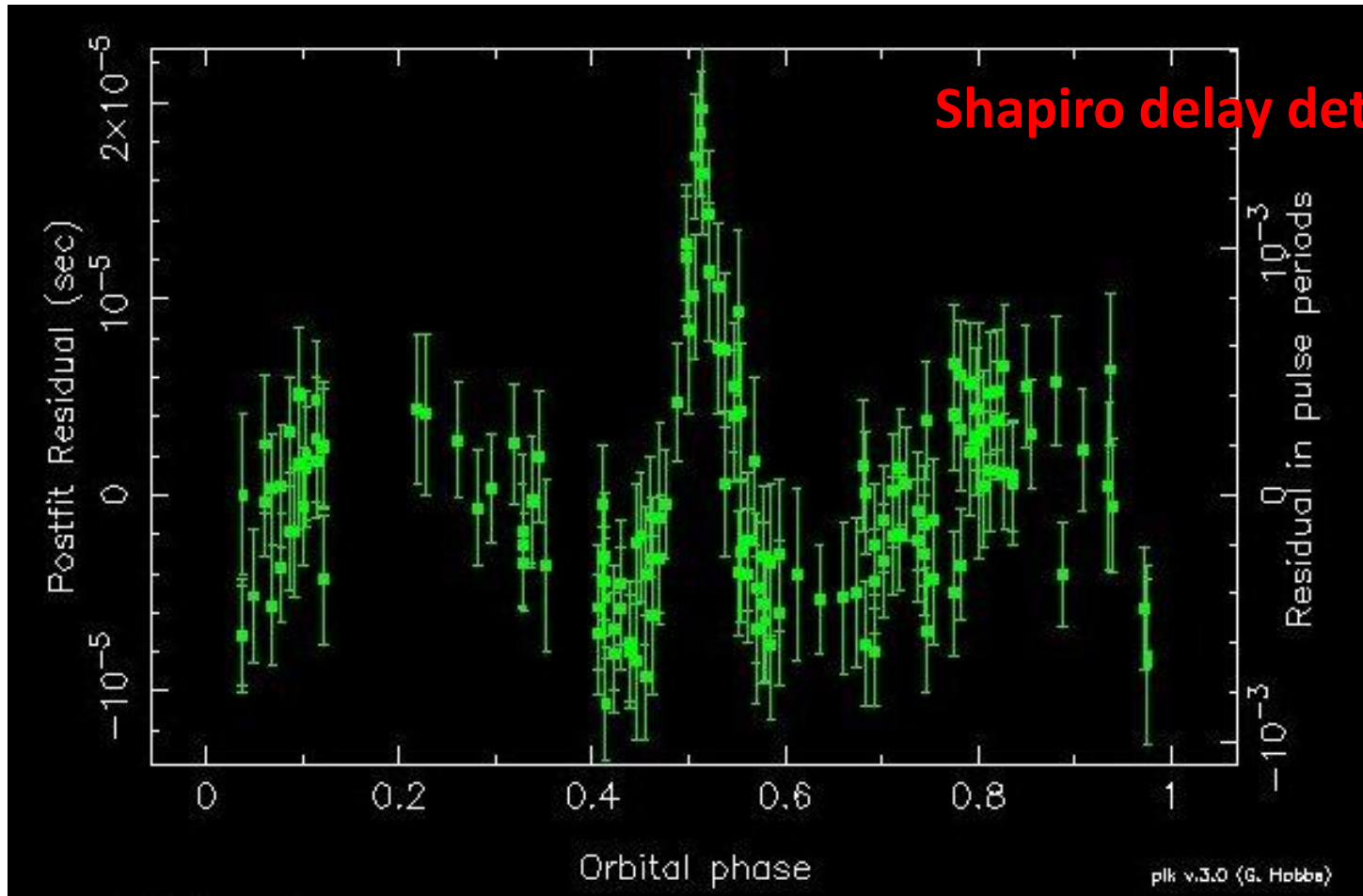
Pulsar mass: 1.67 (+/- 0.35) solar

Companion mass: 0.97 (+/- 0.11) solar

PSR J2053+4650



PSR J2053+4650: Mass measurement



Effelsberg, Jodrell Bank, Nançay

Pulsar mass: **1.52 (+/- 0.25) solar**
Companion mass: **0.89 (+/- 0.08) solar**

Summary: Prospects for PSR J2045+3633 and PSR J2053+4650

- Future **precise** mass measurements
- Identification of the companions
- Evolutionary scenarios
- Release to IPTA, NanoGRAV



Thank you for attention!

