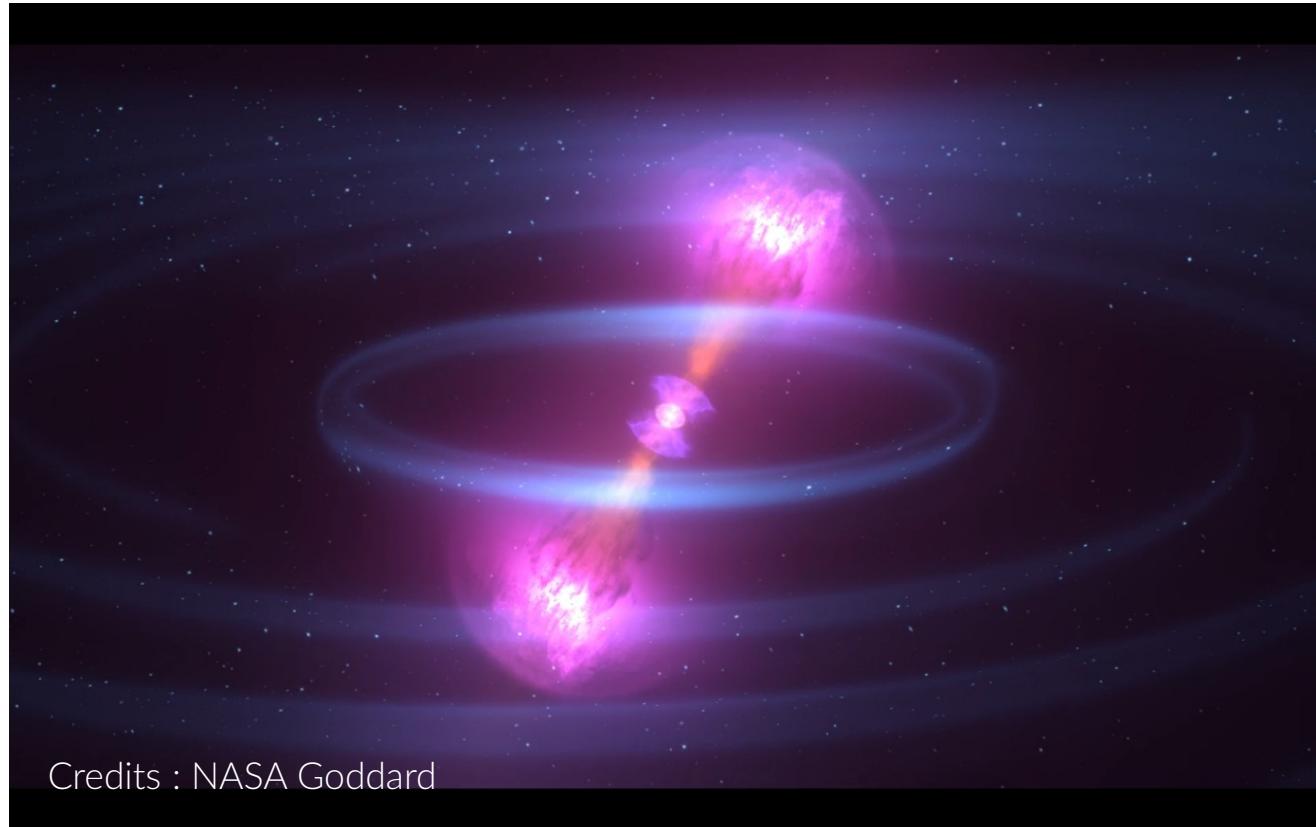


# GW170817: Anatomy of the GW chirp



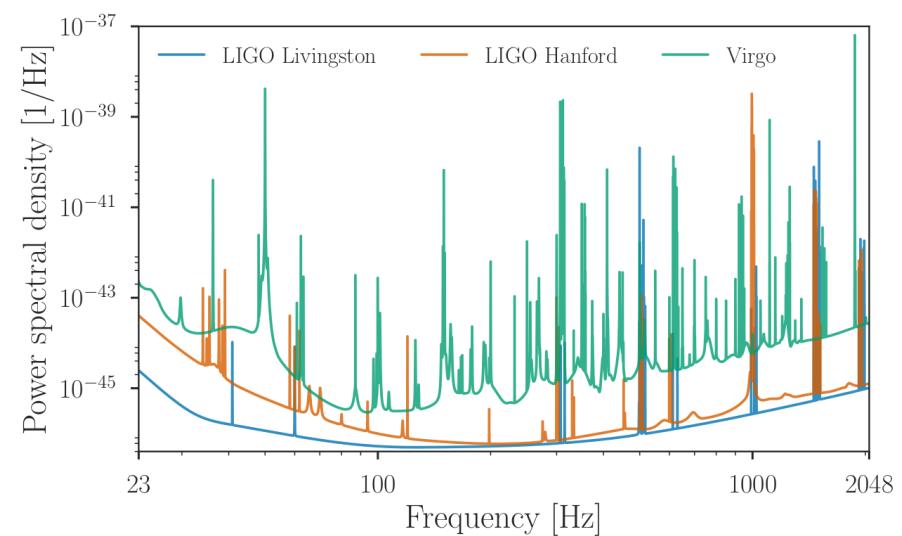
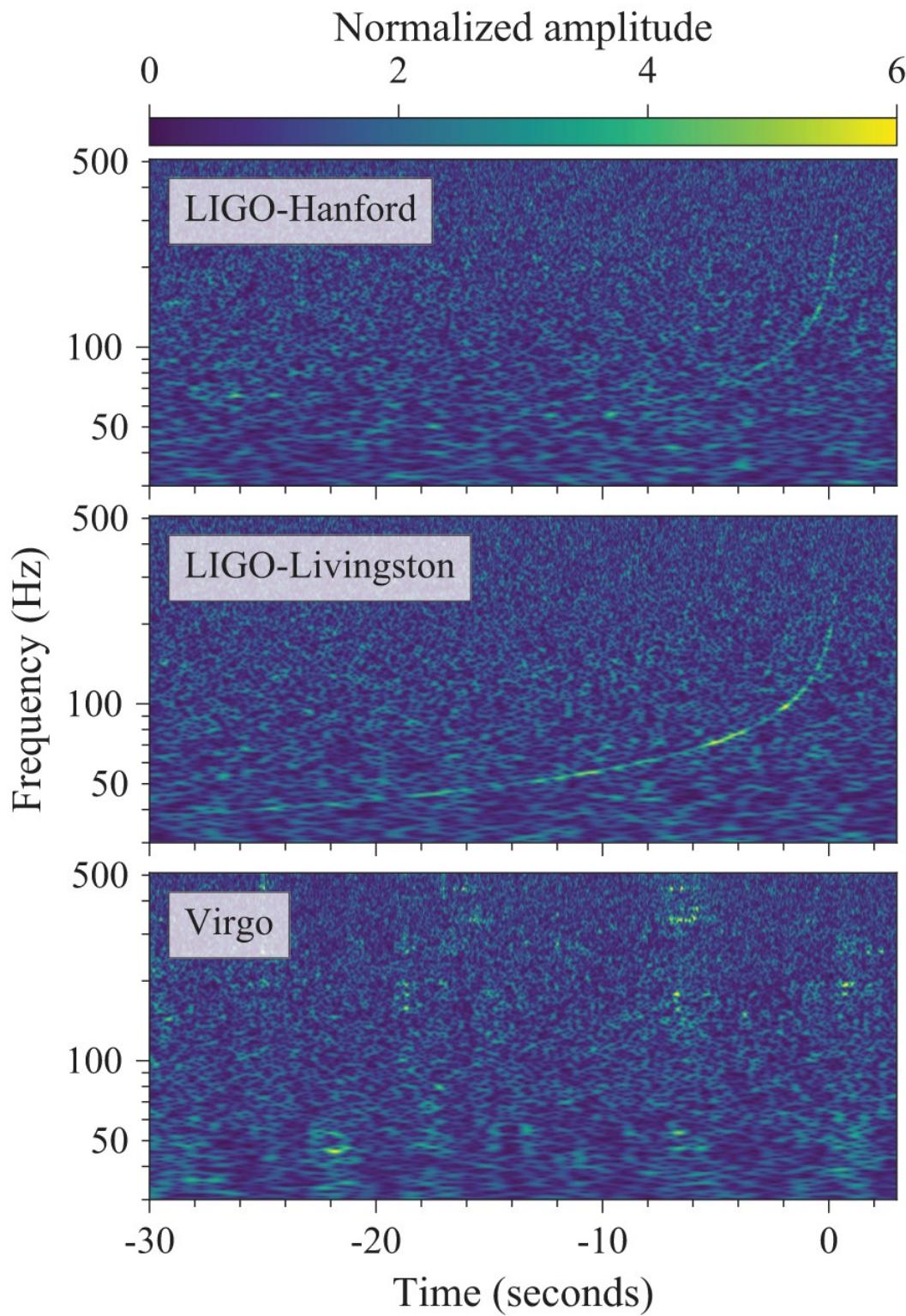
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# Outline

- **GW170817 from a GW-only perspective**
  - Basics about the chirp and some details about its analysis
  - What can we learn from the GW signal alone?
  - Next steps and prospects



$$\tau \sim 100 \text{ s}$$

$$\text{SNR} \sim 30$$

$$\tau \propto \mathcal{M}_{\text{det}}^{-5/3}$$

chirp mass

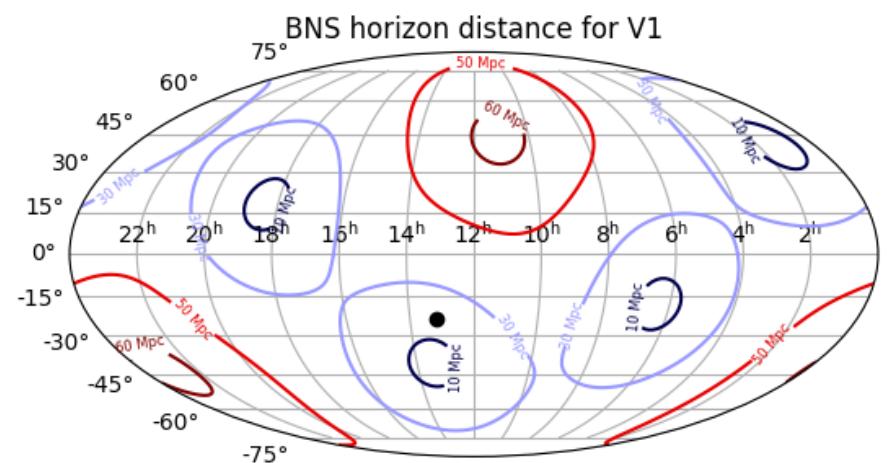
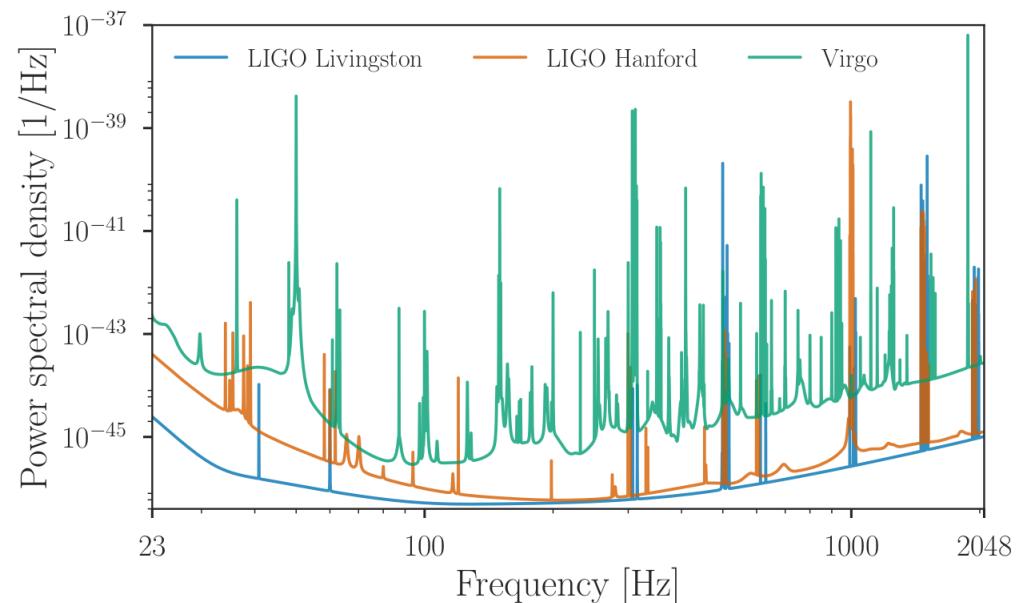
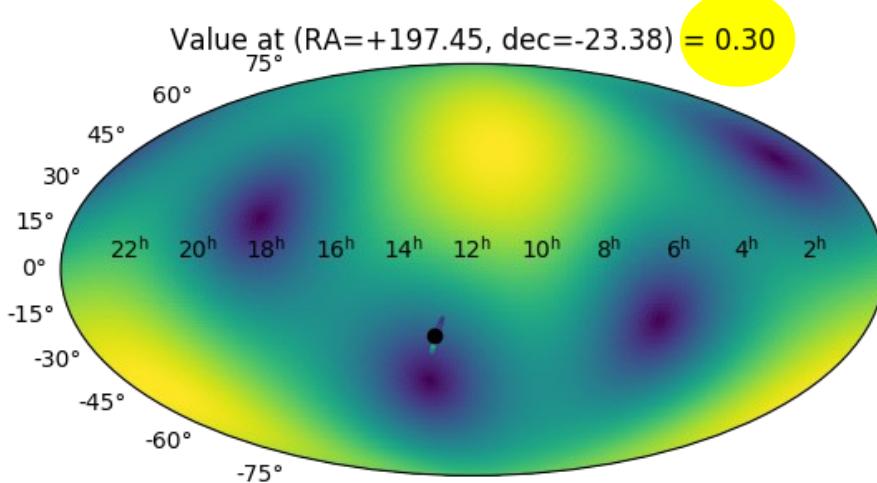
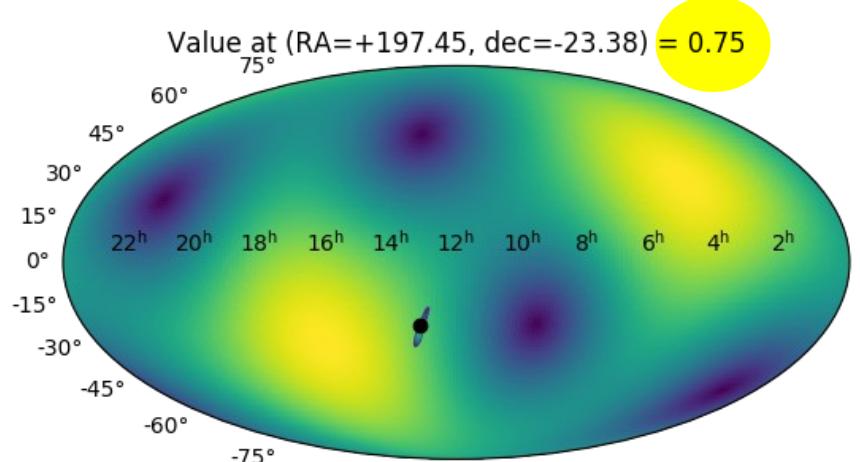
$$\tau \lesssim 1 \text{ s} \quad \text{for BBH}$$

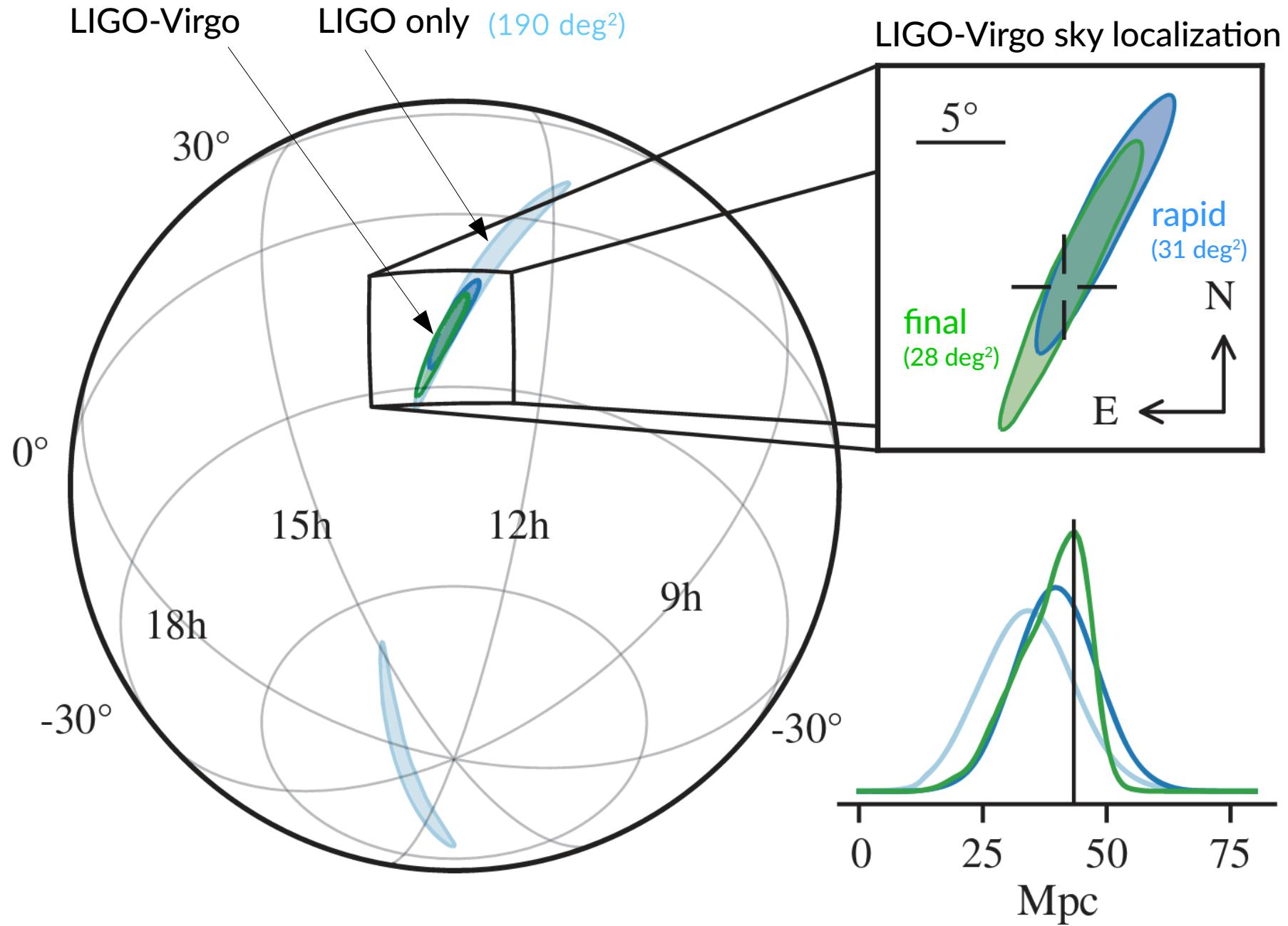
$$\text{SNR}_{\text{total}} = 32.4$$

$\text{SNR}_{H1} = 18.8$

$$\text{SNR}_{L1} = 26.4$$

$$\text{SNR}_{V1} = 2.0$$





# Alert timeline

$t_c + 40 \text{ min}$ : 1<sup>st</sup> LV announcement

candidate BNS in H1 associated with GRB  
large glitch in L1  
issue with V1 data transfert

$t_c + 1\text{h}05$ : Fermi report

preliminary localization =  $1100 \text{ deg}^2$

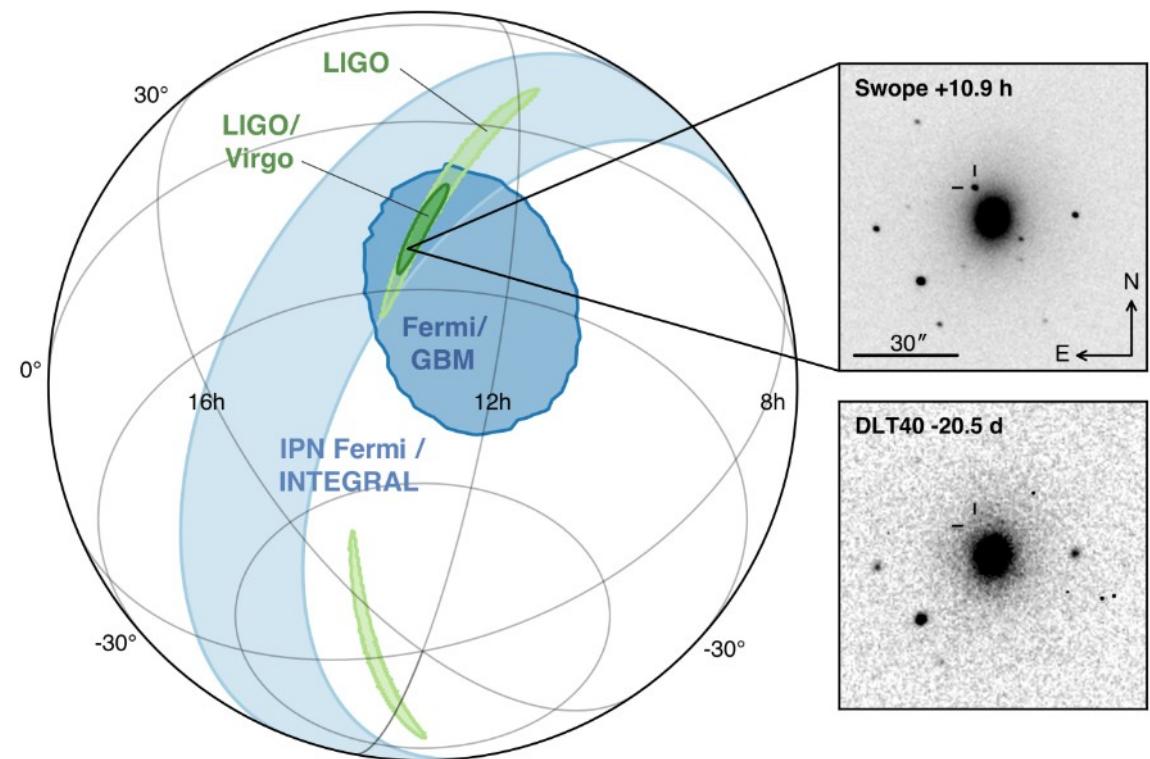
$t_c + 1\text{h}30 \text{ min}$ : LV update

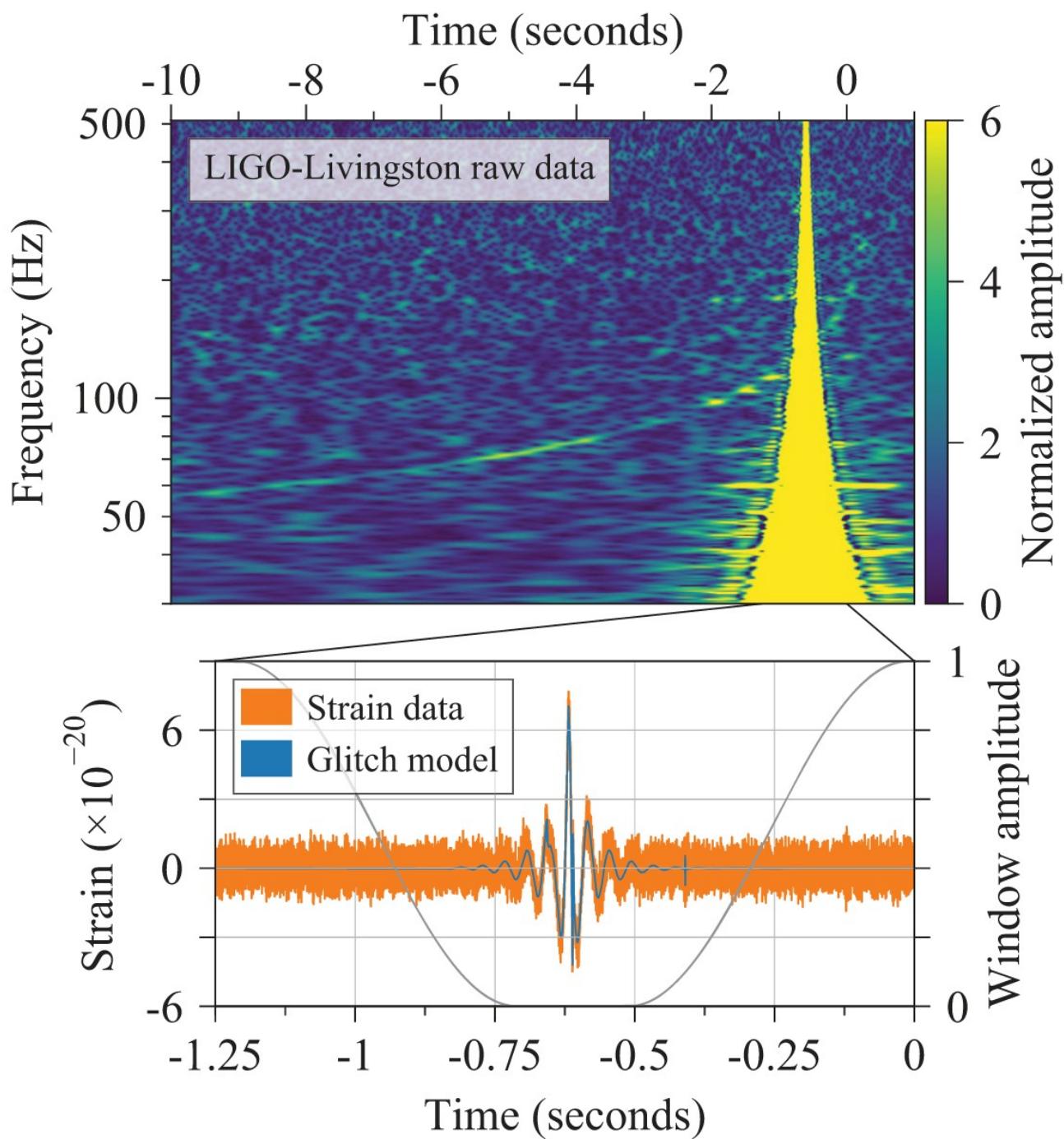
H1-only loc. and distance =  $37 \pm 12 \text{ Mpc}$

$t_c + 5\text{h}$ : LIGO Virgo loc. =  $30 \text{ deg}^2$

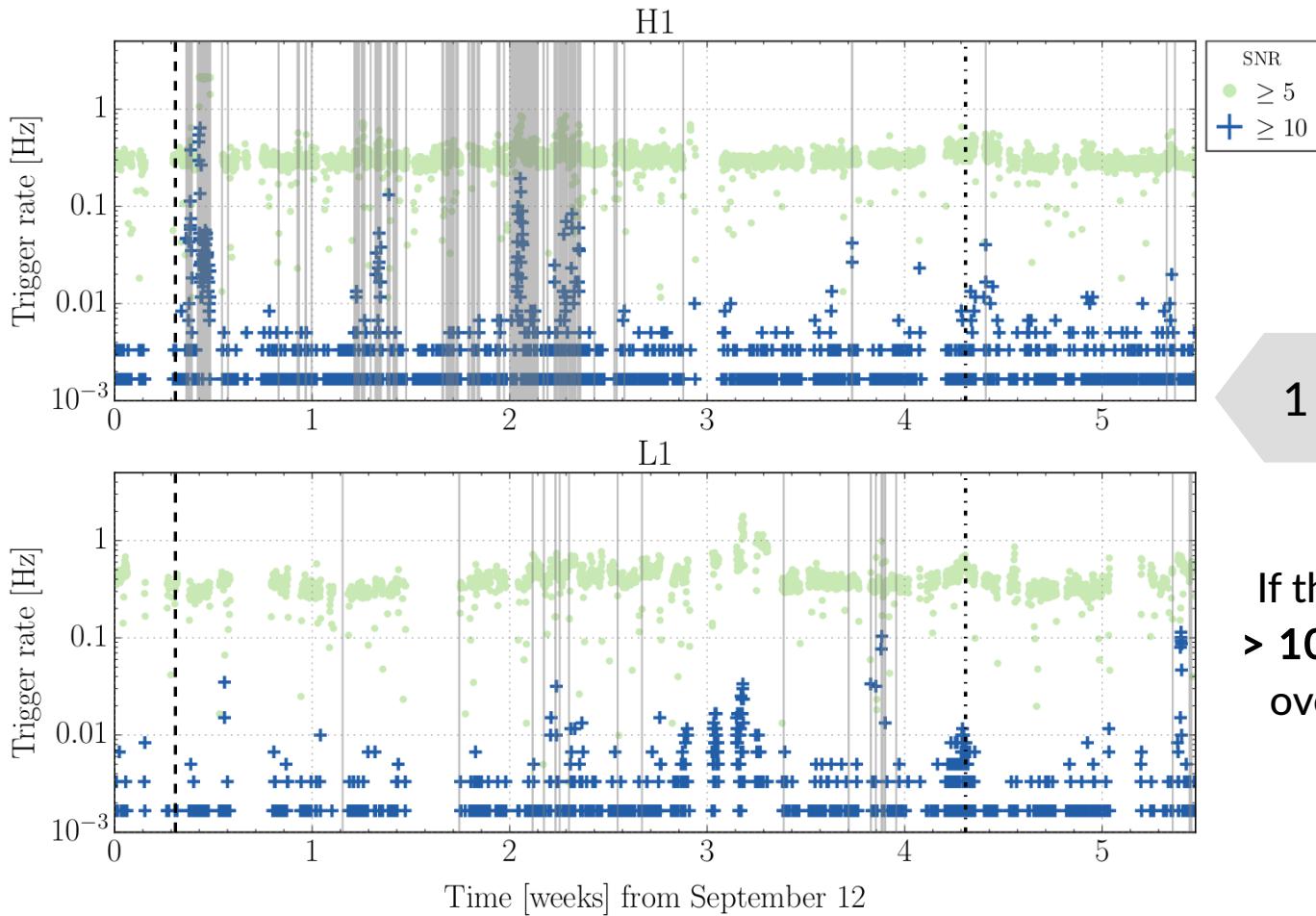
distance =  $40 \pm 8 \text{ Mpc}$

Too late for Australia and South Africa!



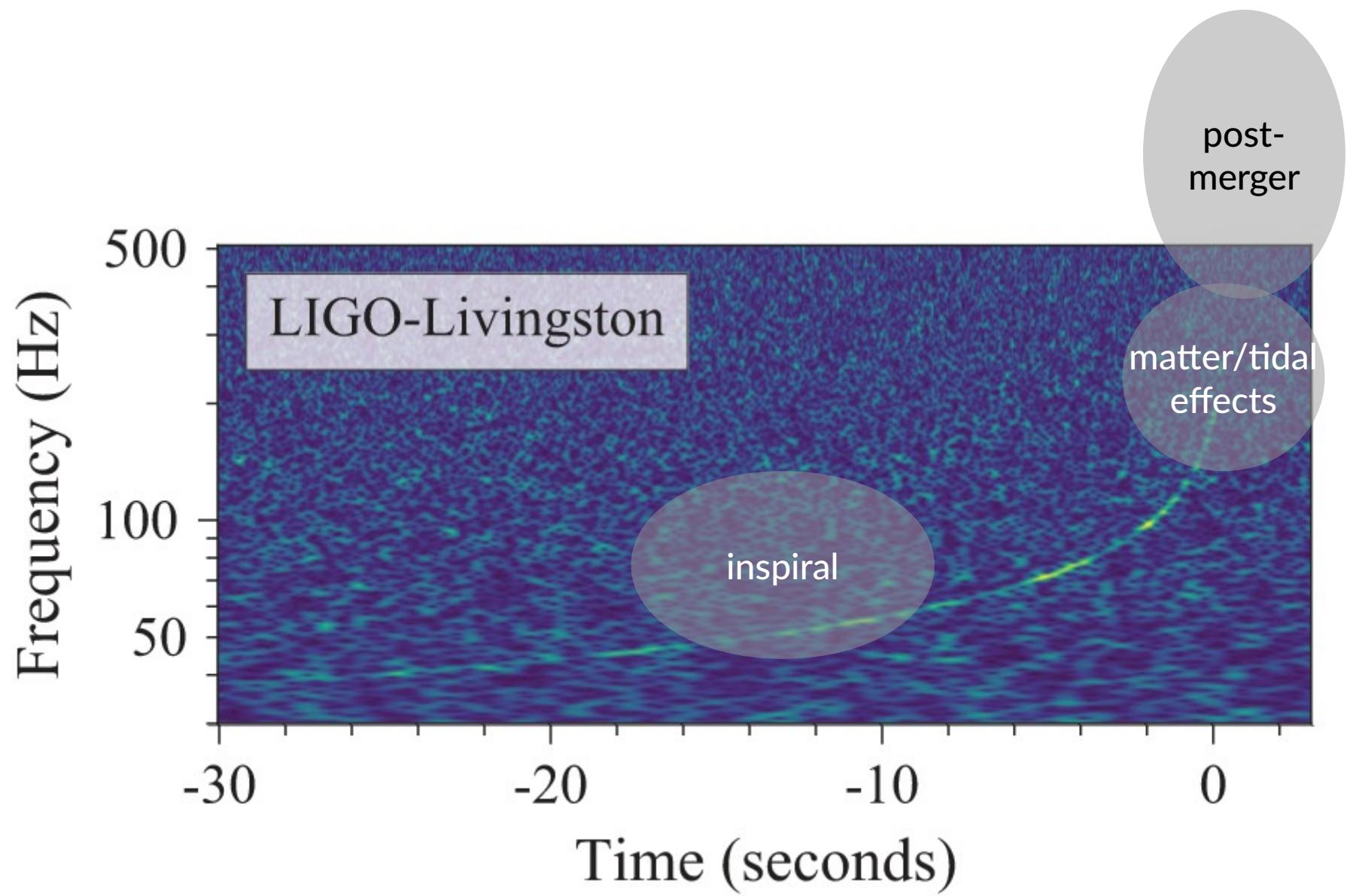


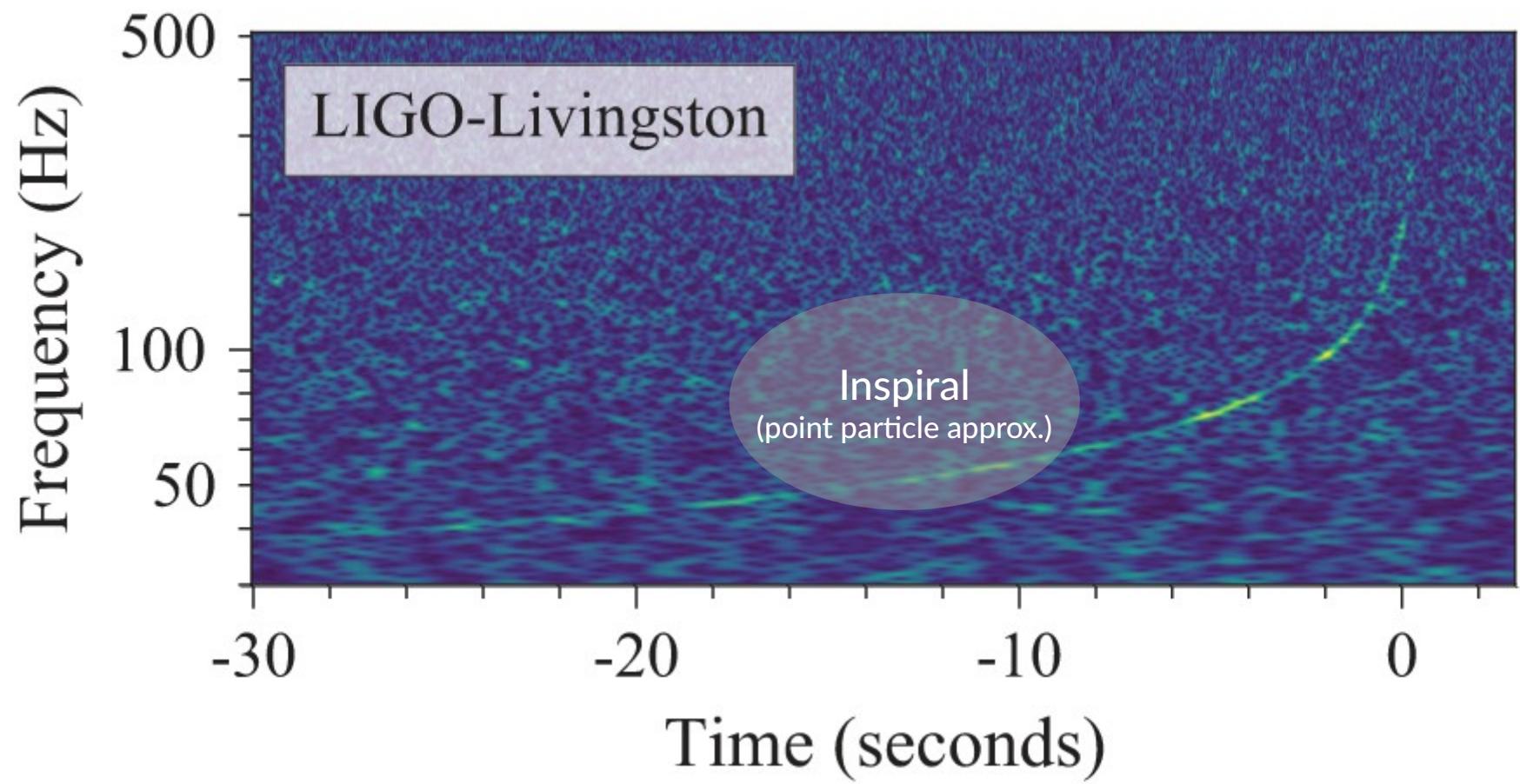
# Glitch rate during O1



1 per  $\sim$ 20 mins

If the glitch rate remains the same,  
>> 10 % probability that a loud glitch  
overlaps with a 100-s GW signal





# Source parameters (1)

- GW signal is described by **15 parameters** (masses and spins + time/space location and orientation)
  - Parameter estimates obtained by **fitting the waveform** coherently in all detectors using Bayesian sampling methods
  - Waveform phase determined to lowest order by **chirp mass**  $\mathcal{M} = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}}$   
Phase matching: measurement accuracy scales with  $1/N_{cycles}$   
With  $N_{cycles} \approx 3000$  from 30 to 1000 Hz  
detector-frame chirp mass  $\mathcal{M}^{det} = 1.1977 M_\odot \pm 0.07\%$
- ... then mass ratio, spins and matter effects

# Source parameters (2)

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}} \quad \mathcal{M}^{\text{det}} = 1.1977 \text{ M}_\odot \pm 0.07\%$$

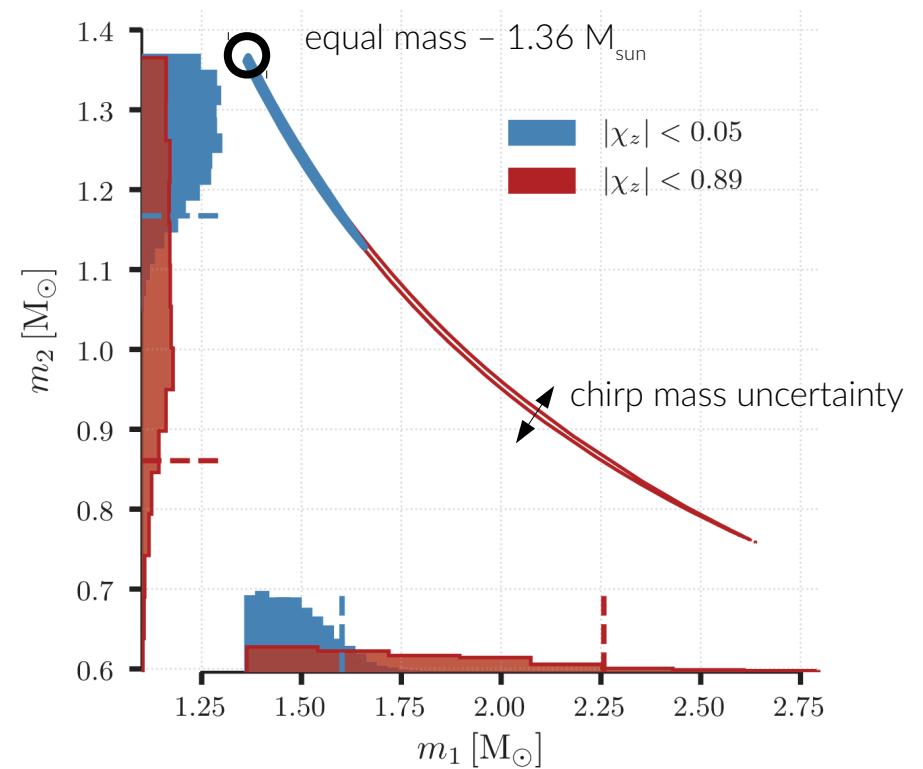
- Some of the parameters are **degenerate**, e.g., distance vs inclination

$$h_+ \propto \frac{1 + \cos^2 \theta_{JN}}{D_L} \quad D_L = 40 \text{ Mpc} \pm 35\%$$

- Can be converted to **source frame** by assuming a ref. cosmology (Planck)

$$z = 0.008 \pm 37.5\%$$

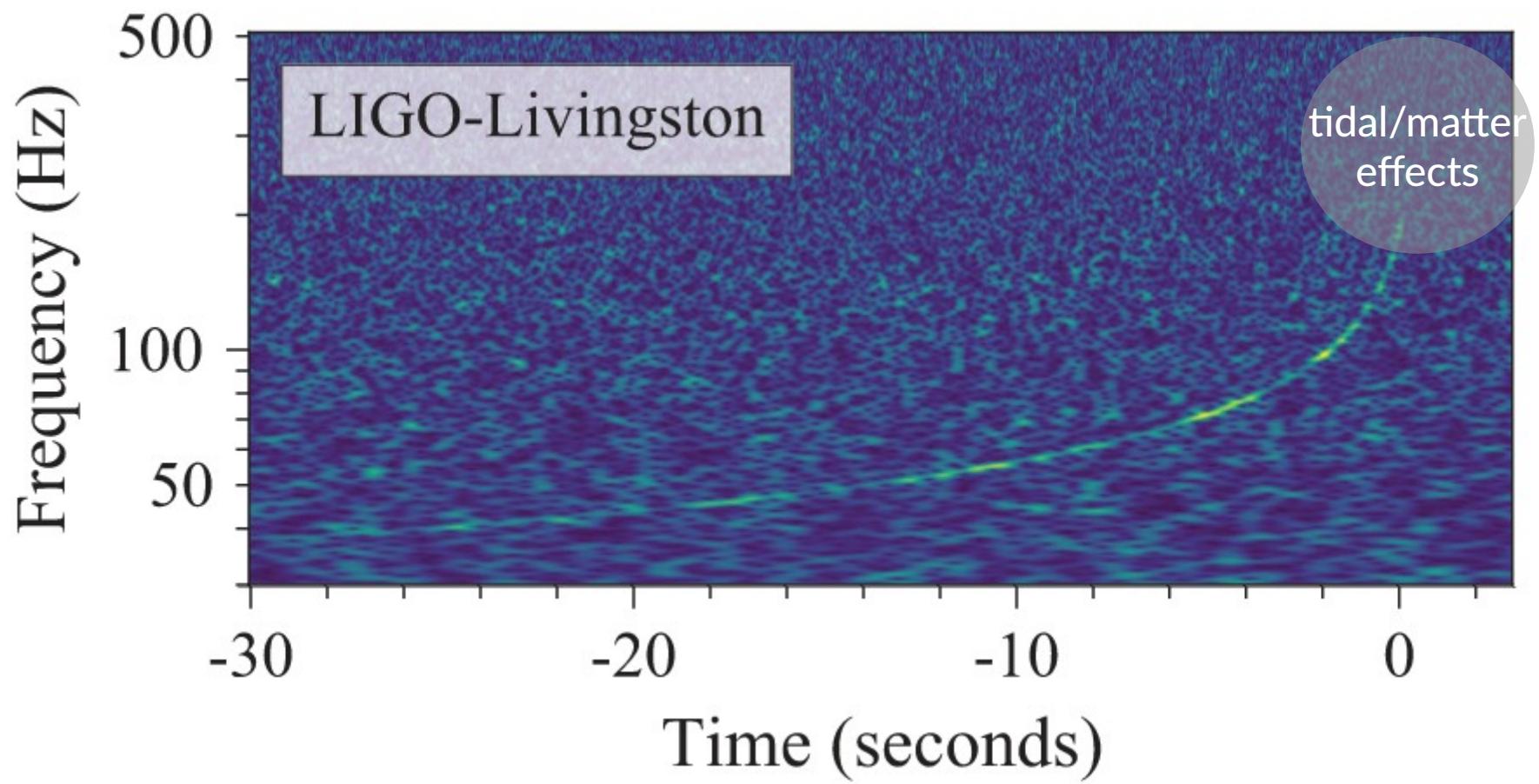
$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}^{\text{det}} / (1 + z) \quad \mathcal{M} = 1.188 \text{ M}_\odot \pm 0.33\%$$



	Low-spin priors ( $ \chi  \leq 0.05$ )	High-spin priors ( $ \chi  \leq 0.89$ )
Primary mass $m_1$	1.36–1.60 $M_\odot$	1.36–2.26 $M_\odot$
Secondary mass $m_2$	1.17–1.36 $M_\odot$	0.86–1.36 $M_\odot$
Chirp mass $\mathcal{M}$	$1.188^{+0.004}_{-0.002} M_\odot$	$1.188^{+0.004}_{-0.002} M_\odot$
Mass ratio $m_2/m_1$	0.7–1.0	0.4–1.0
Total mass $m_{\text{tot}}$	$2.74^{+0.04}_{-0.01} M_\odot$	$2.82^{+0.47}_{-0.09} M_\odot$
Radiated energy $E_{\text{rad}}$	$> 0.025 M_\odot c^2$	$> 0.025 M_\odot c^2$
Luminosity distance $D_L$	$40^{+8}_{-14}$ Mpc	$40^{+8}_{-14}$ Mpc
Viewing angle $\Theta$	$\leq 55^\circ$	$\leq 56^\circ$
Using NGC 4993 location	$\leq 28^\circ$	$\leq 28^\circ$
Combined dimensionless tidal deformability $\tilde{\Lambda}$	$\leq 800$	$\leq 700$
Dimensionless tidal deformability $\Lambda(1.4 M_\odot)$	$\leq 800$	$\leq 1400$

Tidal deformation by the gravity gradient due to companion changes the grav. potential and thus the orbital motion/GW signal

Effect observable in the final tens of GW cycles before merger  
 $f_{\text{GW}} > 400 \text{ Hz}$  – Keplerian orbital radius  $\sim 60 \text{ km}$   
comparable to NS radius



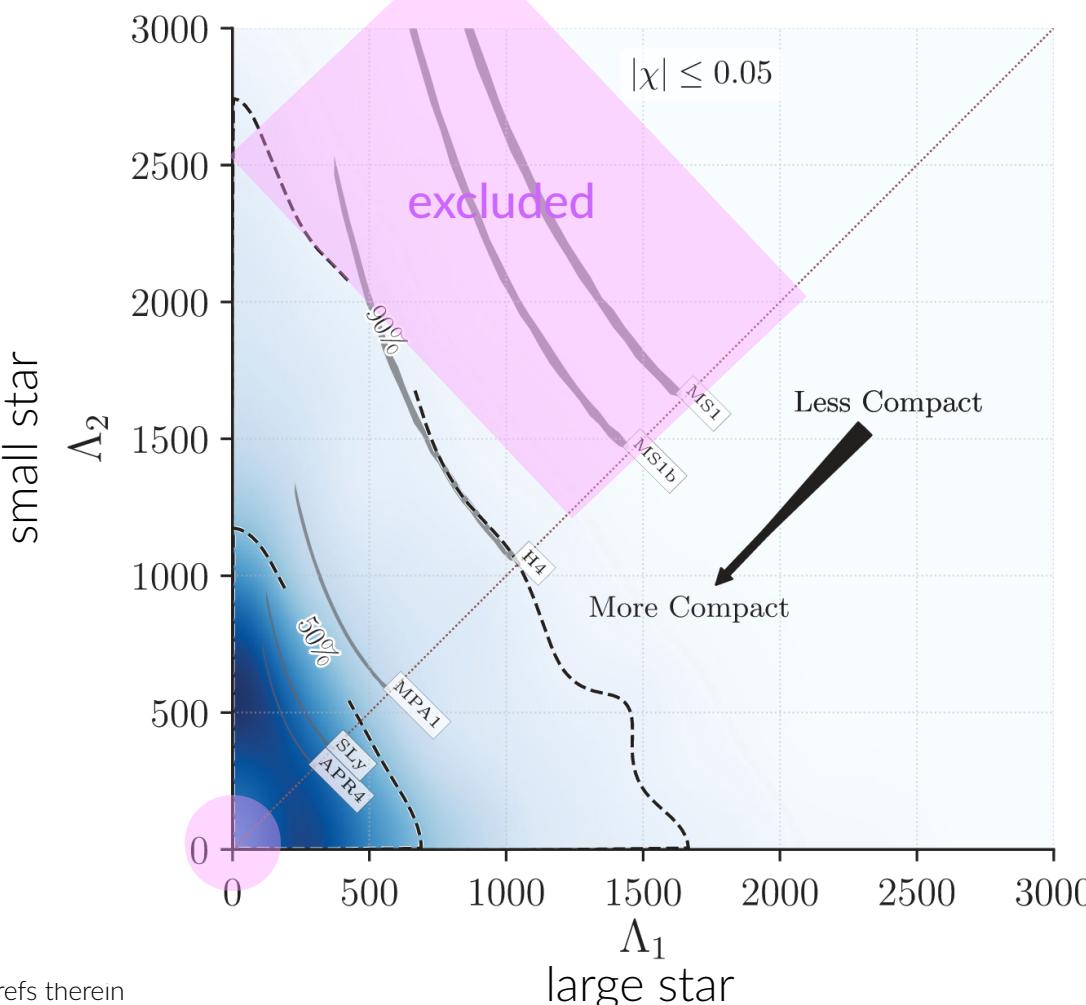
# Constraints on NS deformability and EoS of cold dense matter

Tidal deformability

$$\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left( \frac{R}{m} \right)^5$$

NS radius (EoS)  
mass

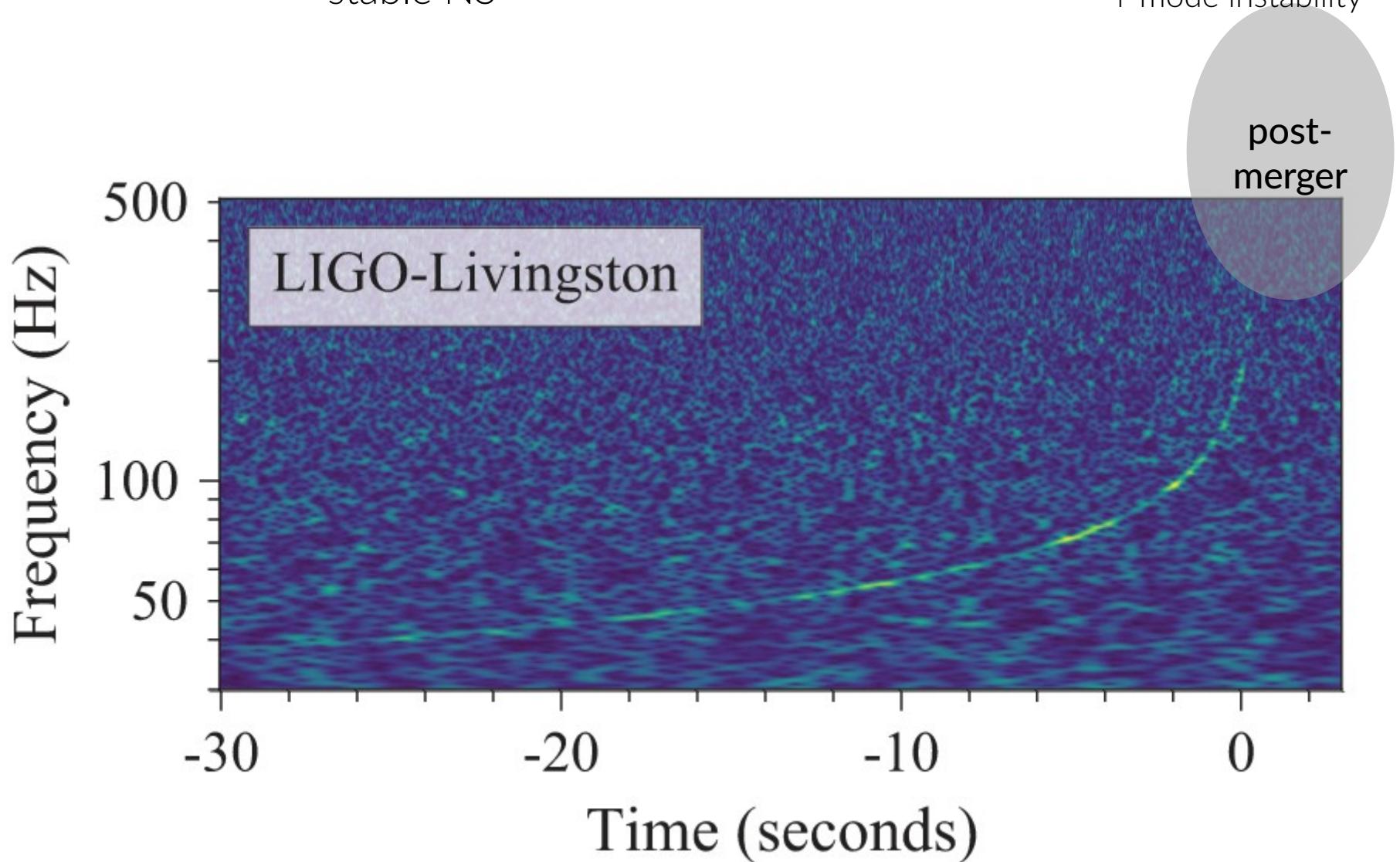
$k_2 = 0$  for BH



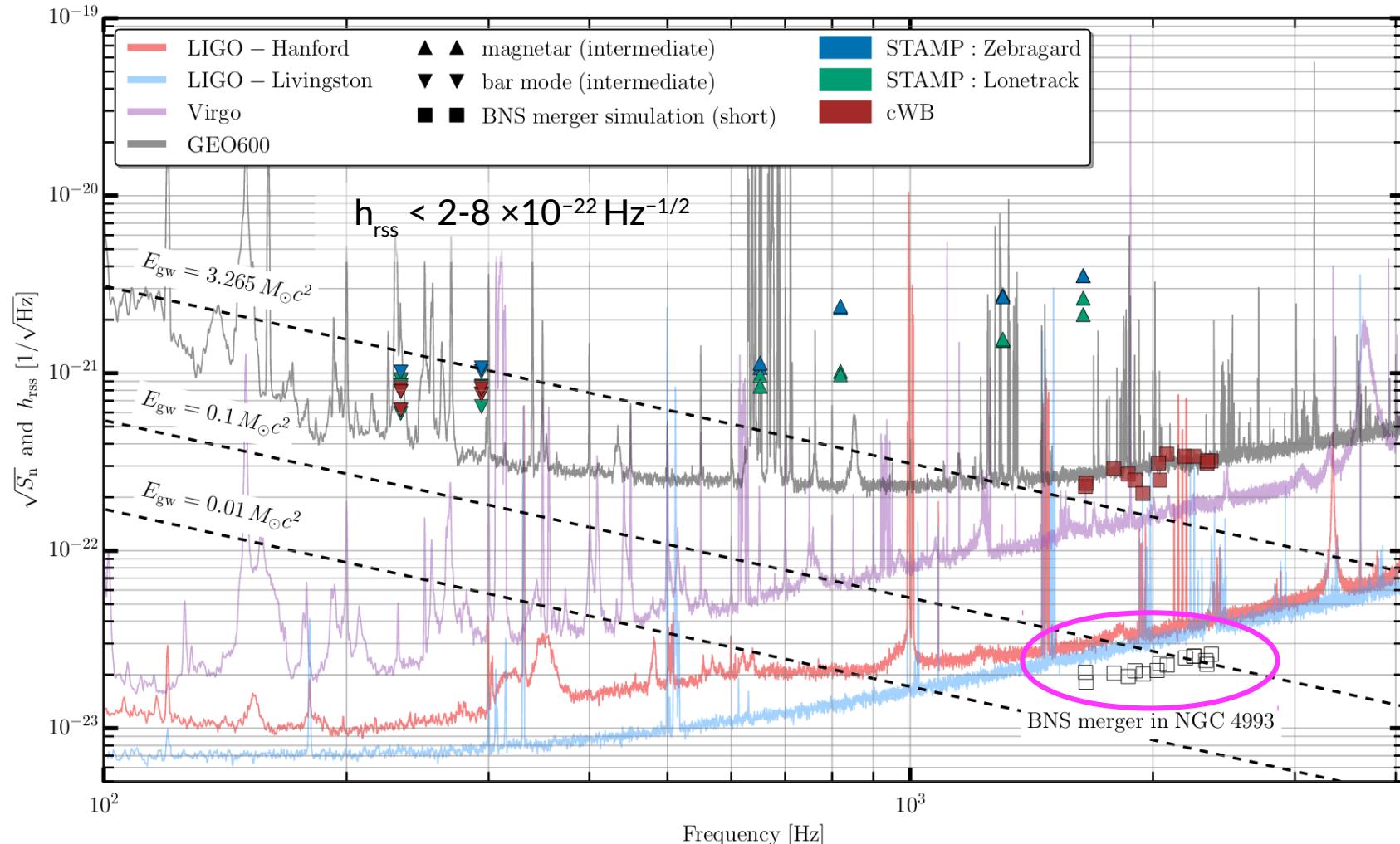
Update coming soon  
(better param estimates,  
waveforms systematics,  
direct constraints on EoS)

## Post-merger scenarios

- prompt collapse to a black hole → quasi normal mode at 6 kHz
- hypermassive NS; livetime  $\sim 1$  s [preferred] → f-mode at 2-4 kHz
- supramassive NS; livetime  $\sim 10\text{--}10^4$  s → magnetar, bar mode or r-mode instability
- stable NS



Agnostic search for GW transients (up to 4 kHz) with  
short (< 1 s) and intermediate (< 500 s) durations  
**No evidence for a post-merger signal**



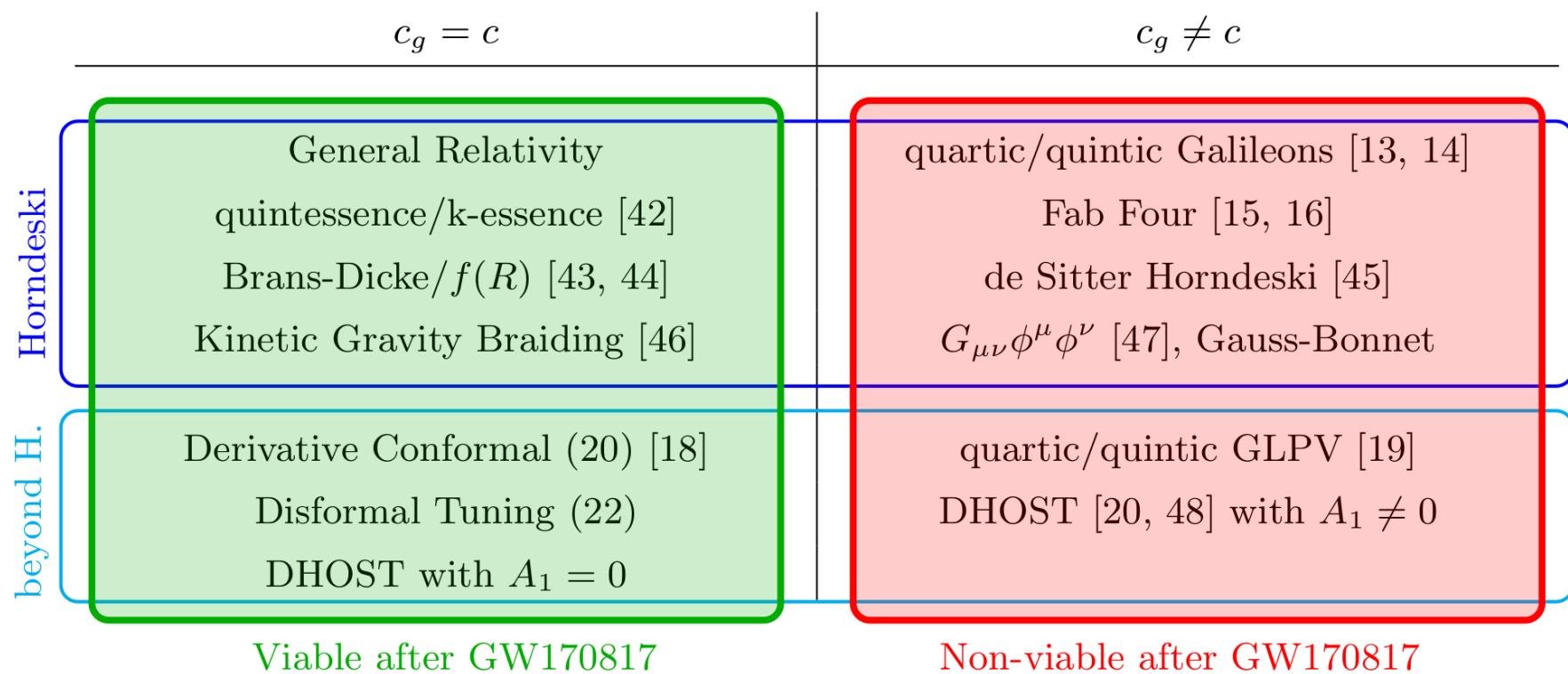
Deeper and more complete search  
(including long duration, days) coming soon

Abbott et al,  
Astrophys. J. Lett. 851, L16

# Implications of GW170817

(besides GRB astrophysics)

- Coincidence with GRB170817A within 1.7 s
- Very stringent constraints on the speed of gravity  $|c/c_g - 1| < 5 \times 10^{-16}$
- Incompatible with a large set of alt. gravity scalar-tensor theories brought forward to explain dark energy



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Rapid Triggers from LIGO Data ~1 hour about each detection

During O1 and O2, information about detected transients was shared as it became available with a set of interested astronomers as GCN notices. This exchange is archived:

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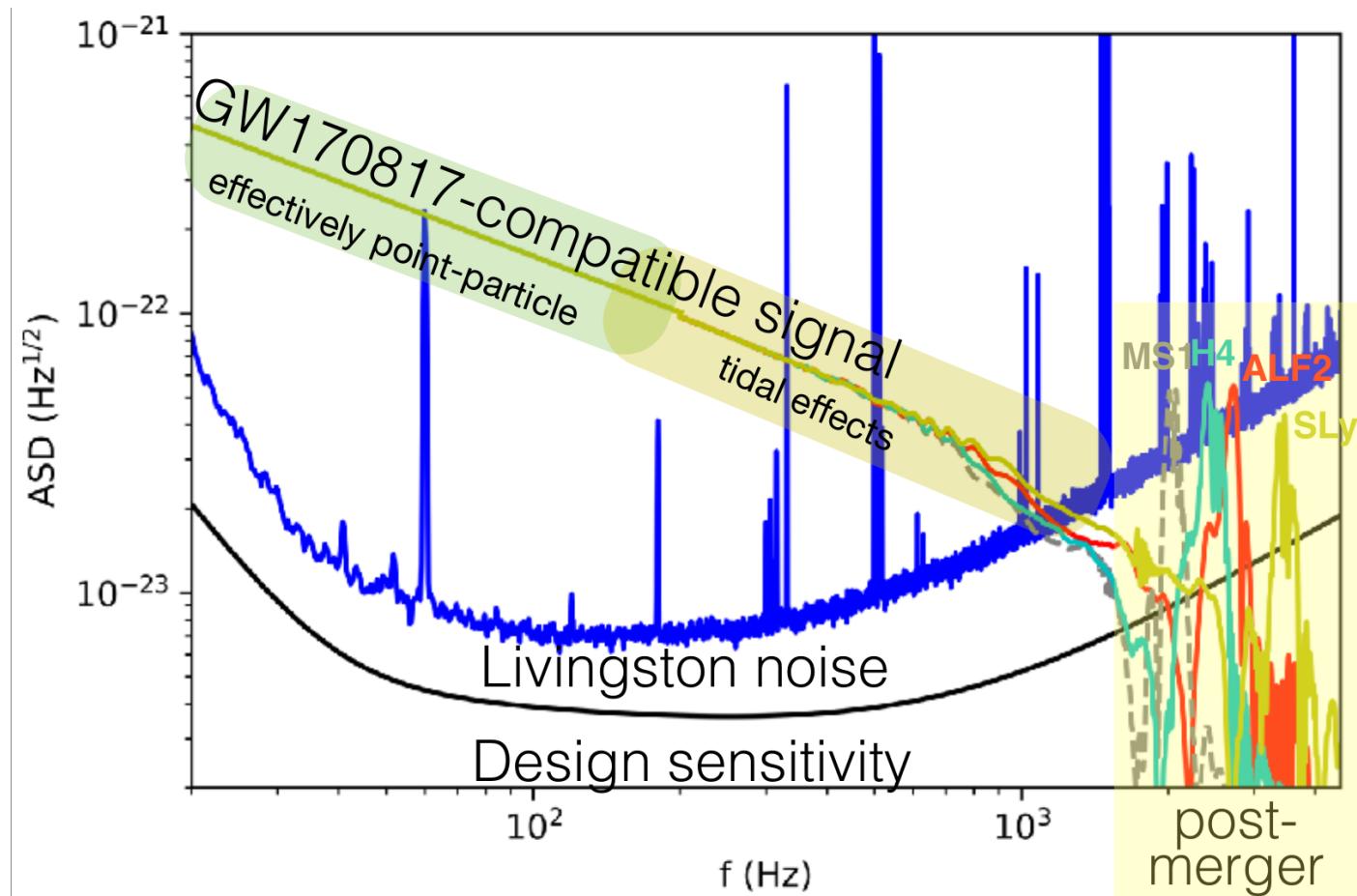
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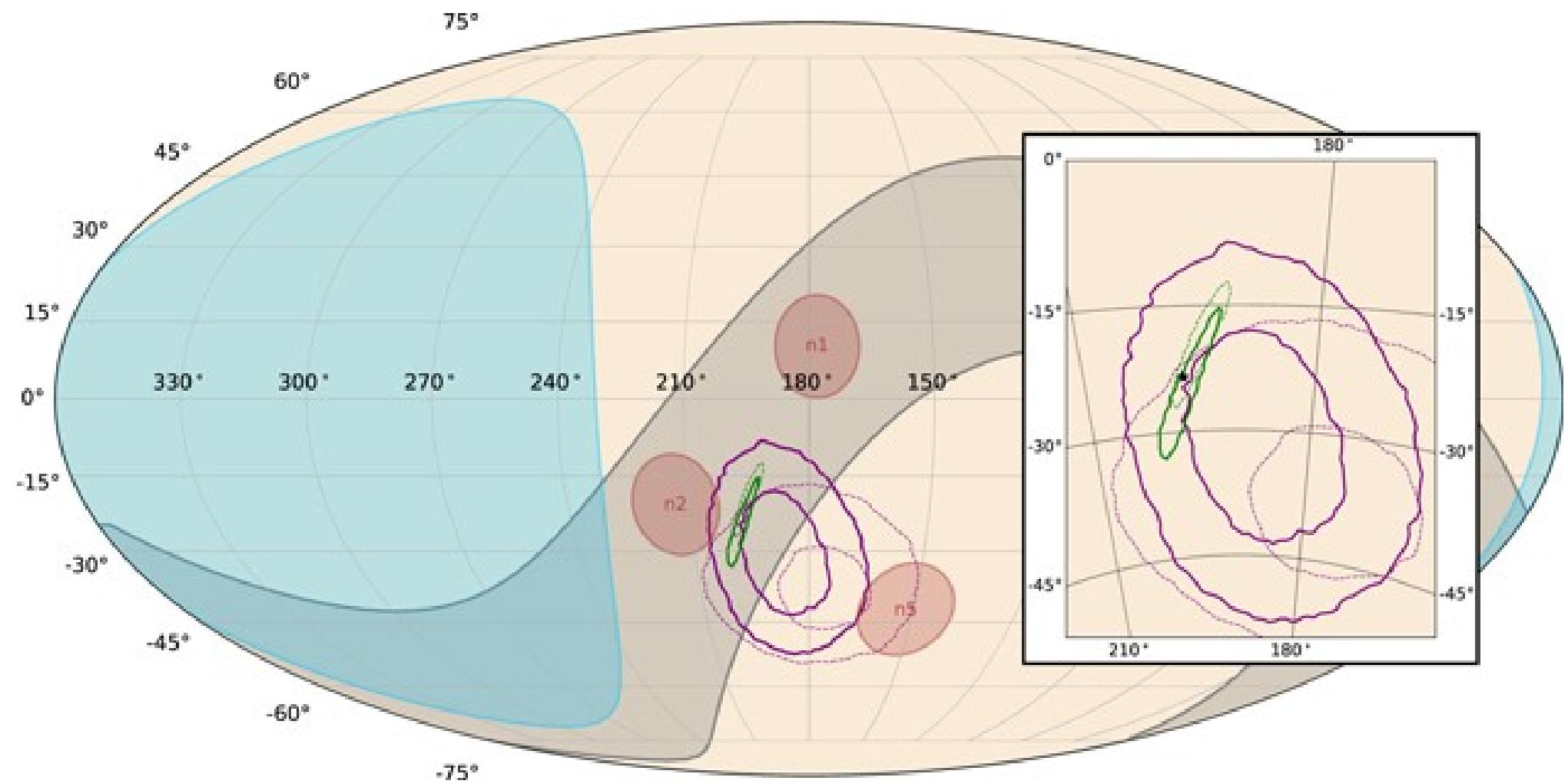
# Concluding remarks

- **Plenty of physics with the GW170817 chirp**
  - Binary parameters obviously but also physics of NS/EoS of dense matter and tests of post-merger scenarios
  - Tests of General Relativity (GW polarizations, dipole radiation, etc)
- **Importance of seeing the same source in GW and EM for fundamental physics**
  - Unanticipated implications on fundamental physics (alt. models for gravity, limit on num of spacetime dimensions)
- **Future is bright**
  - 1-50 BNS expected in O3 (12 months)
  - 4-80 BNS/yr for 2020+ at/near design sensitivity



# EoS of cold dense matter





1<sup>st</sup> Fermi localization with dashed lines

# Priors

- Masses (detector frame): uniform in  $[0.5, 7.7] M_{\text{sun}}$  and chirp mass in  $[1.18, 2.17] M_{\text{sun}}$
- Spins: uniform in mag up to 0.05 (low spin) and 0.89 (high spin), isotropic/uncorrelated
-