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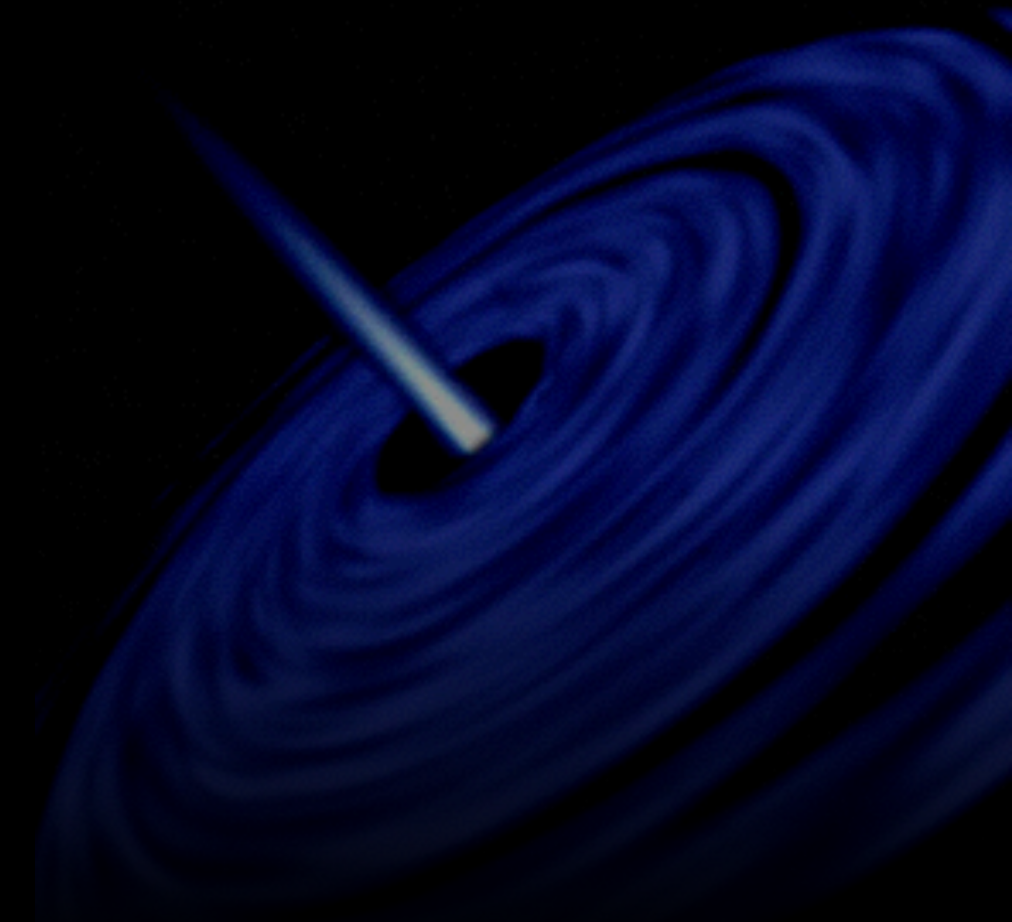
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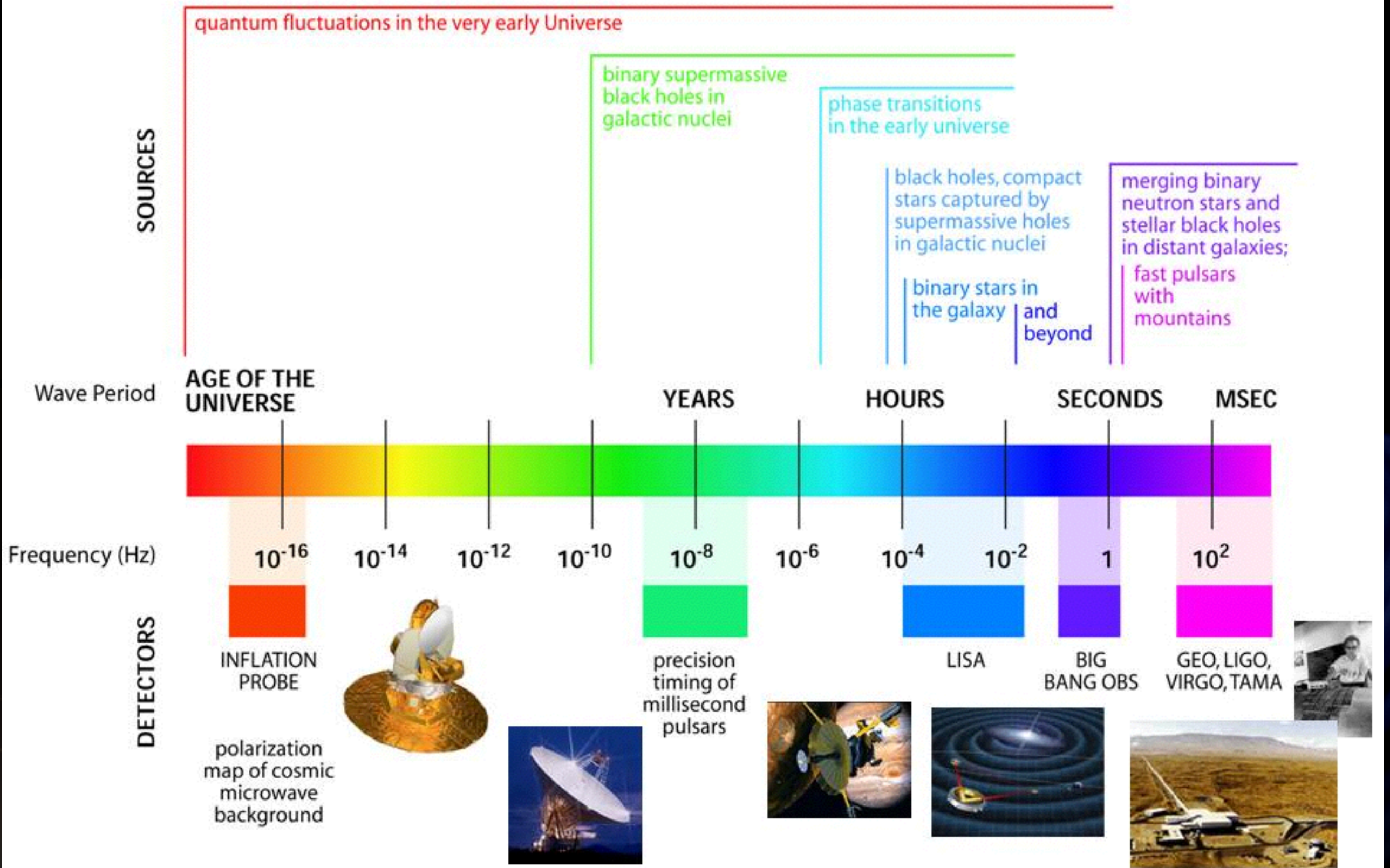
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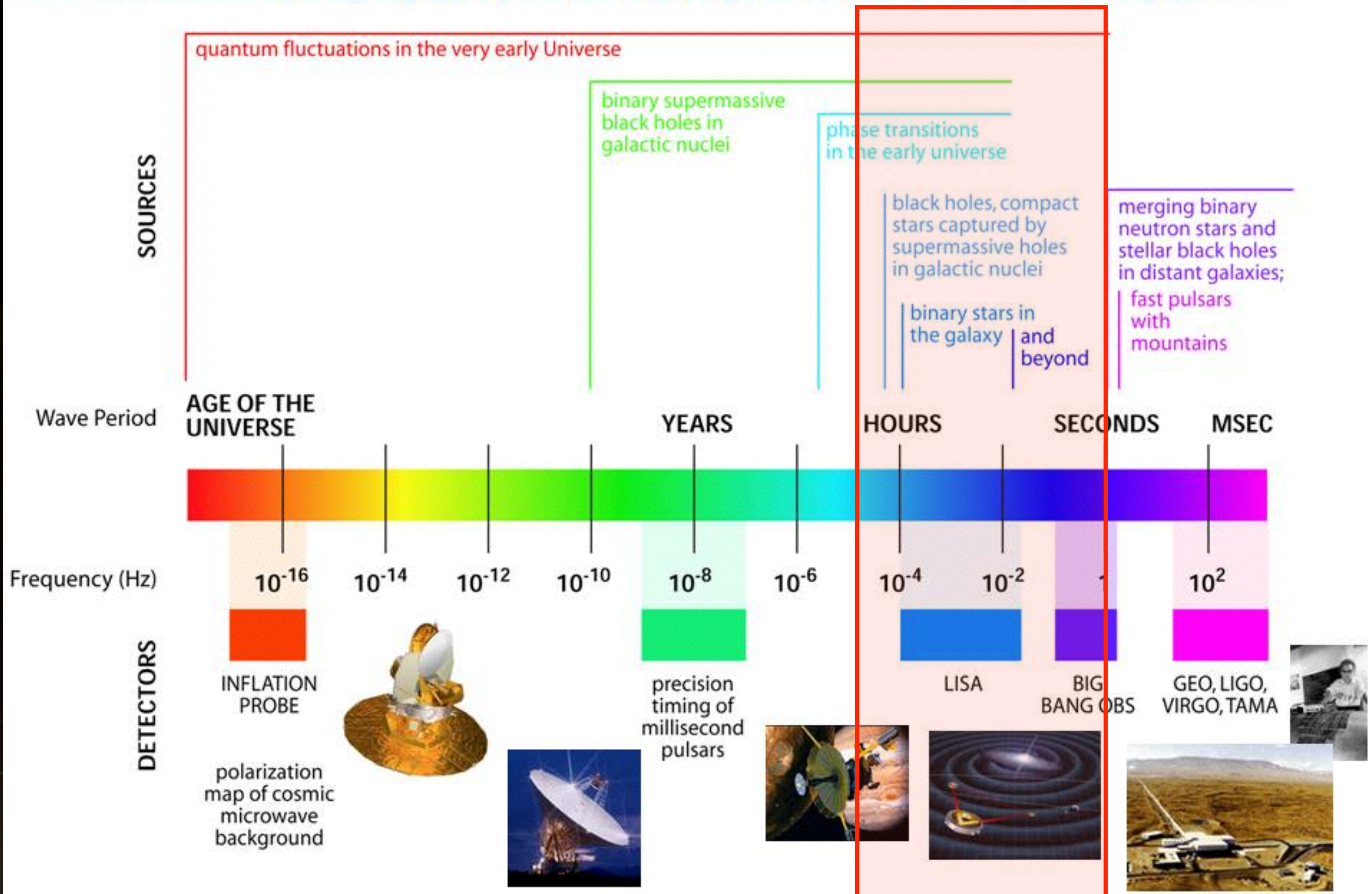


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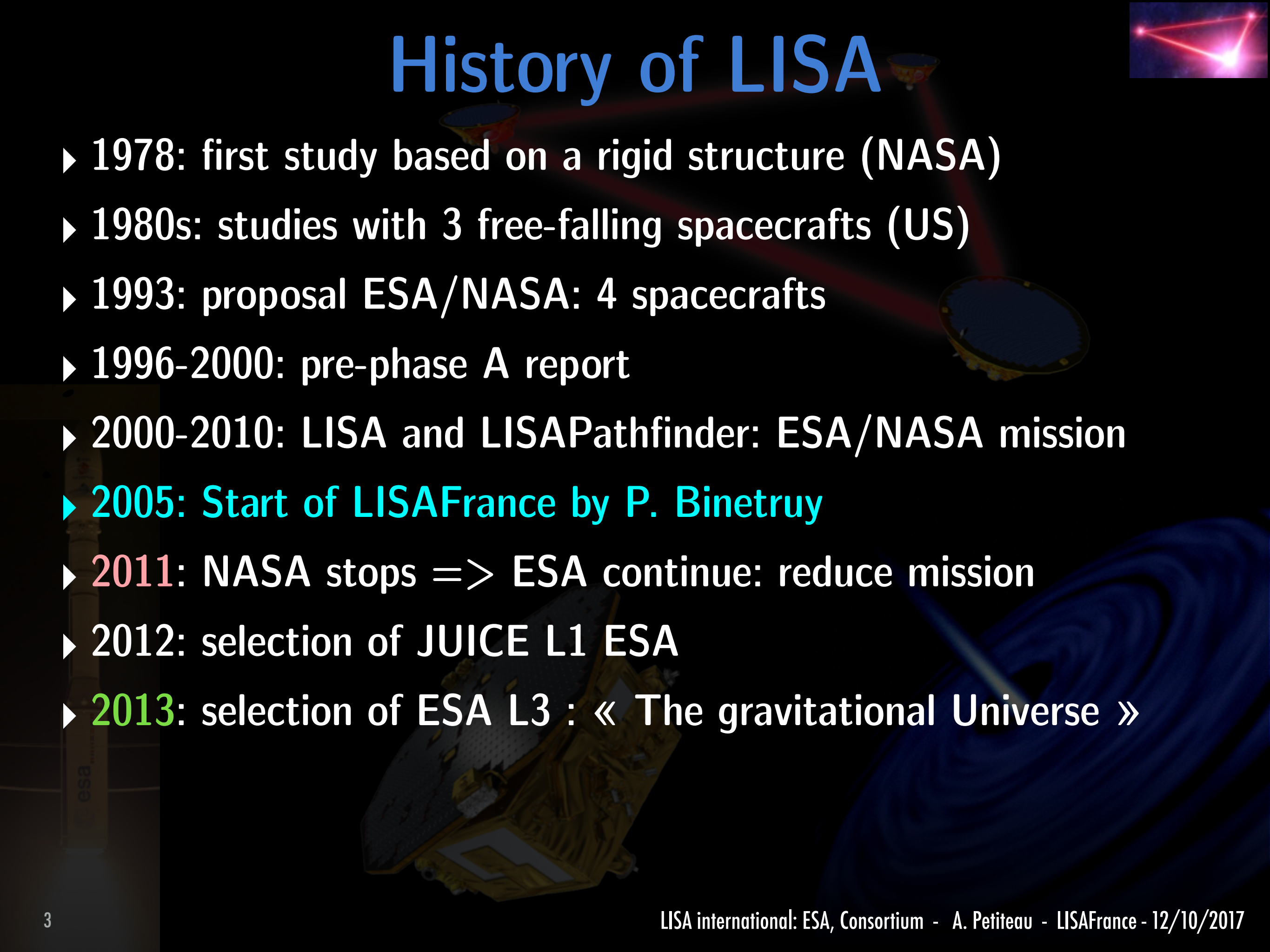


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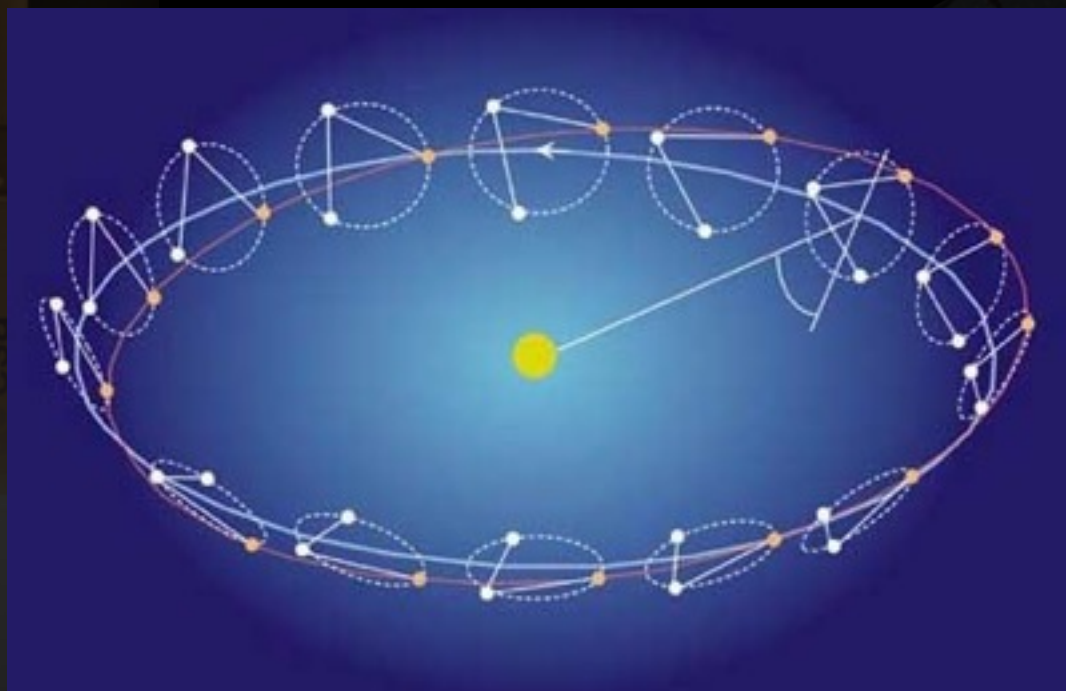
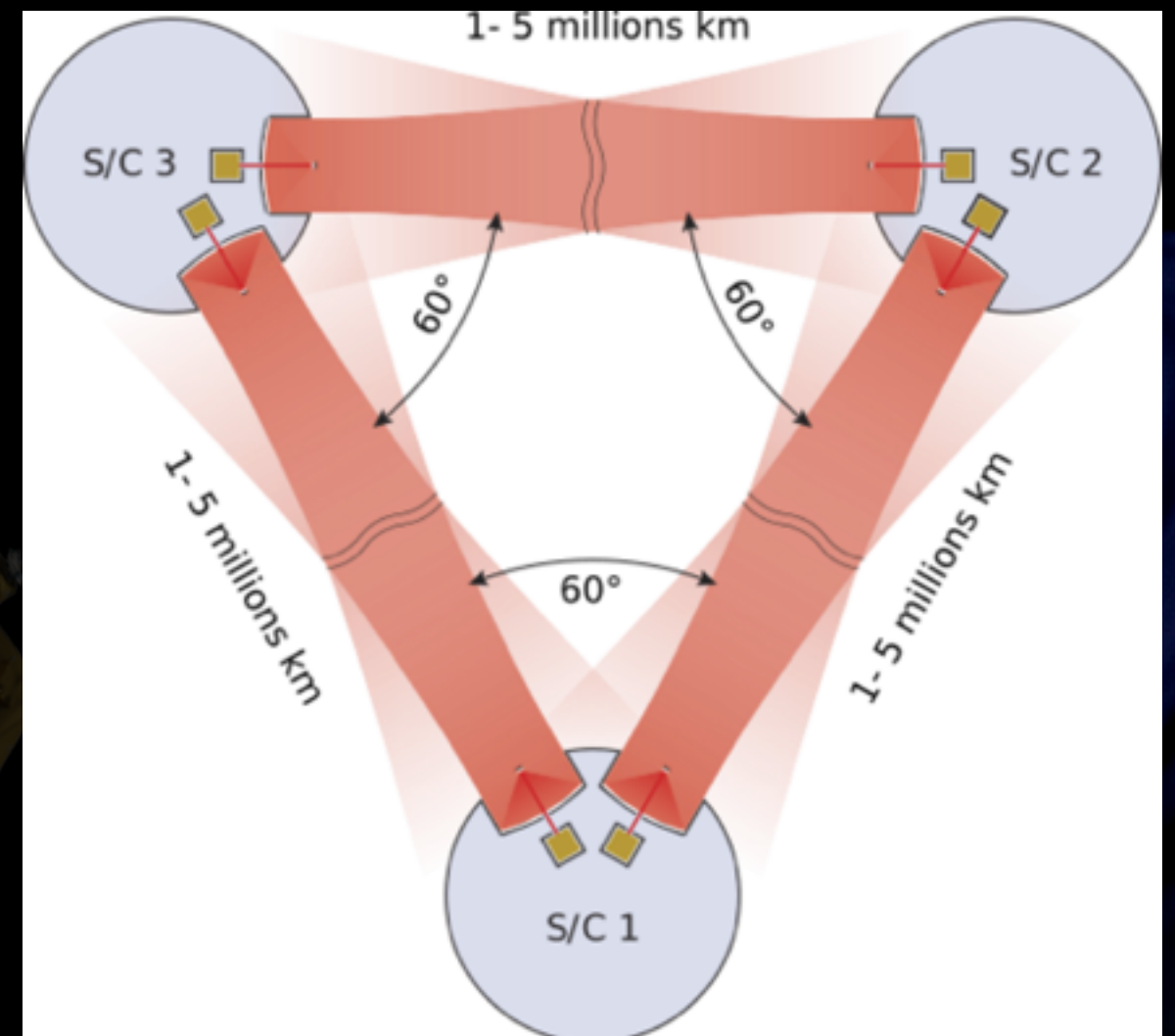
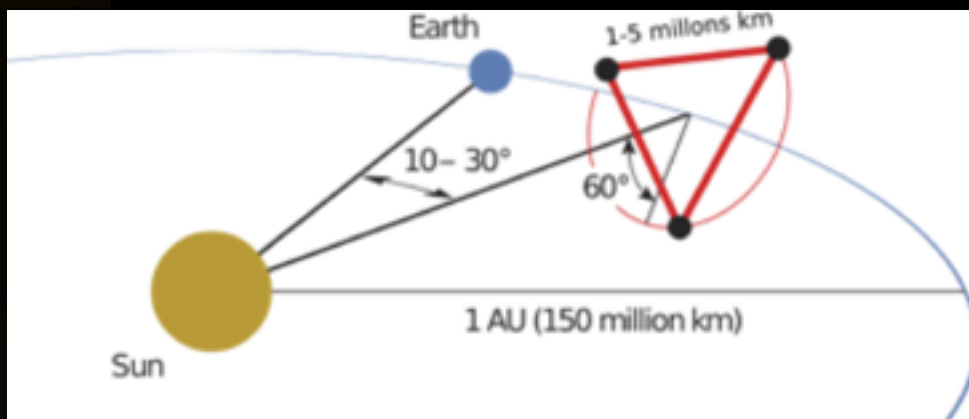


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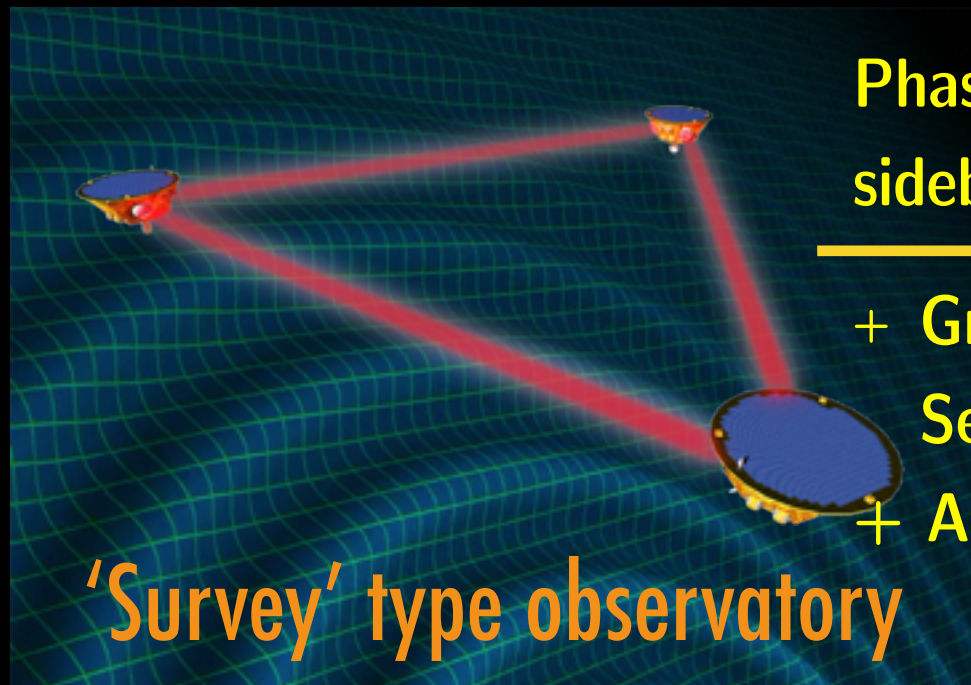


# LISA

- ▶ Laser Interferometer Space Antenna
- ▶ 3 spacecrafts on heliocentric orbits and distant from few millions kilometers (2.5 millions km in the proposal L3)
- ▶ Goal: detect relative distance changes of  $10^{-21}$ : few picometers



# LISA data



Phasemeters (carrier, sidebands, distance)

+ Gravitational Reference Sensor

+ Auxiliary channels

'Survey' type observatory

L0



Calibrations corrections

Resynchronisation (clock)

Time-Delay Interferometry  
reduction of laser noise

L1

2 data channels TDI non-correlated

L2

Data Analysis of GWs

L3

Catalogs of GWs sources  
with their waveform

Gravitational wave sources  
emitting between 0.02mHz  
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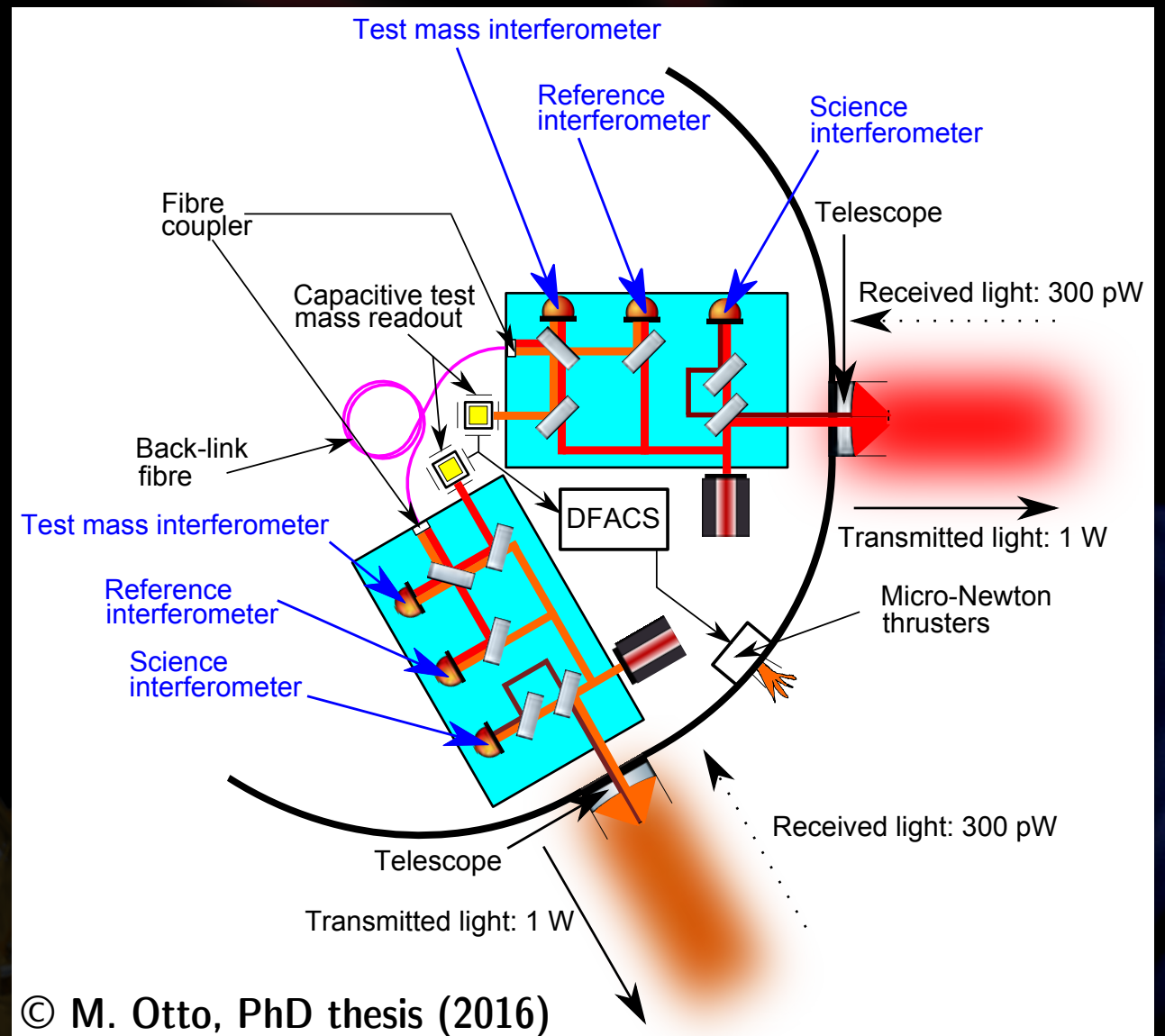


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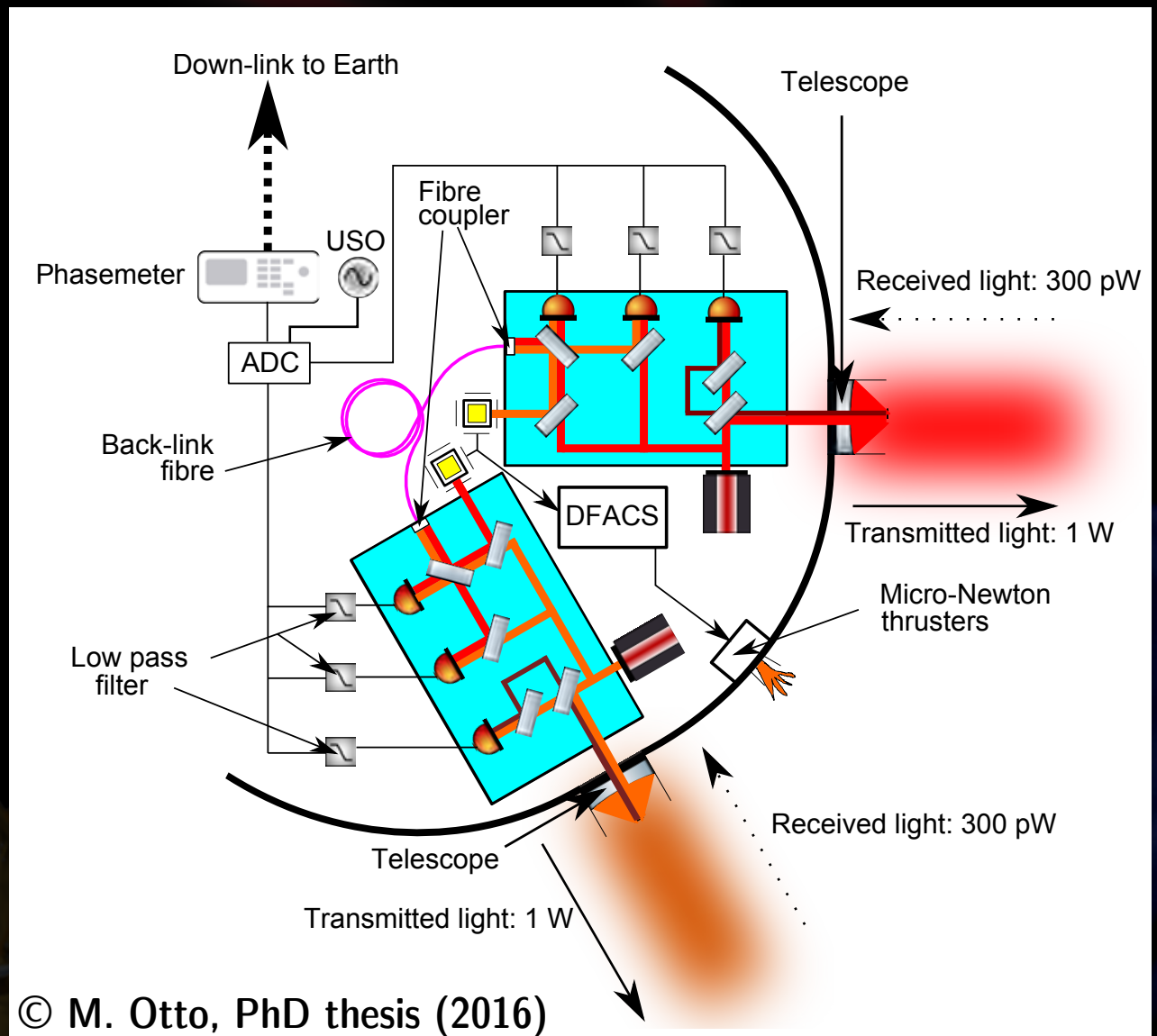


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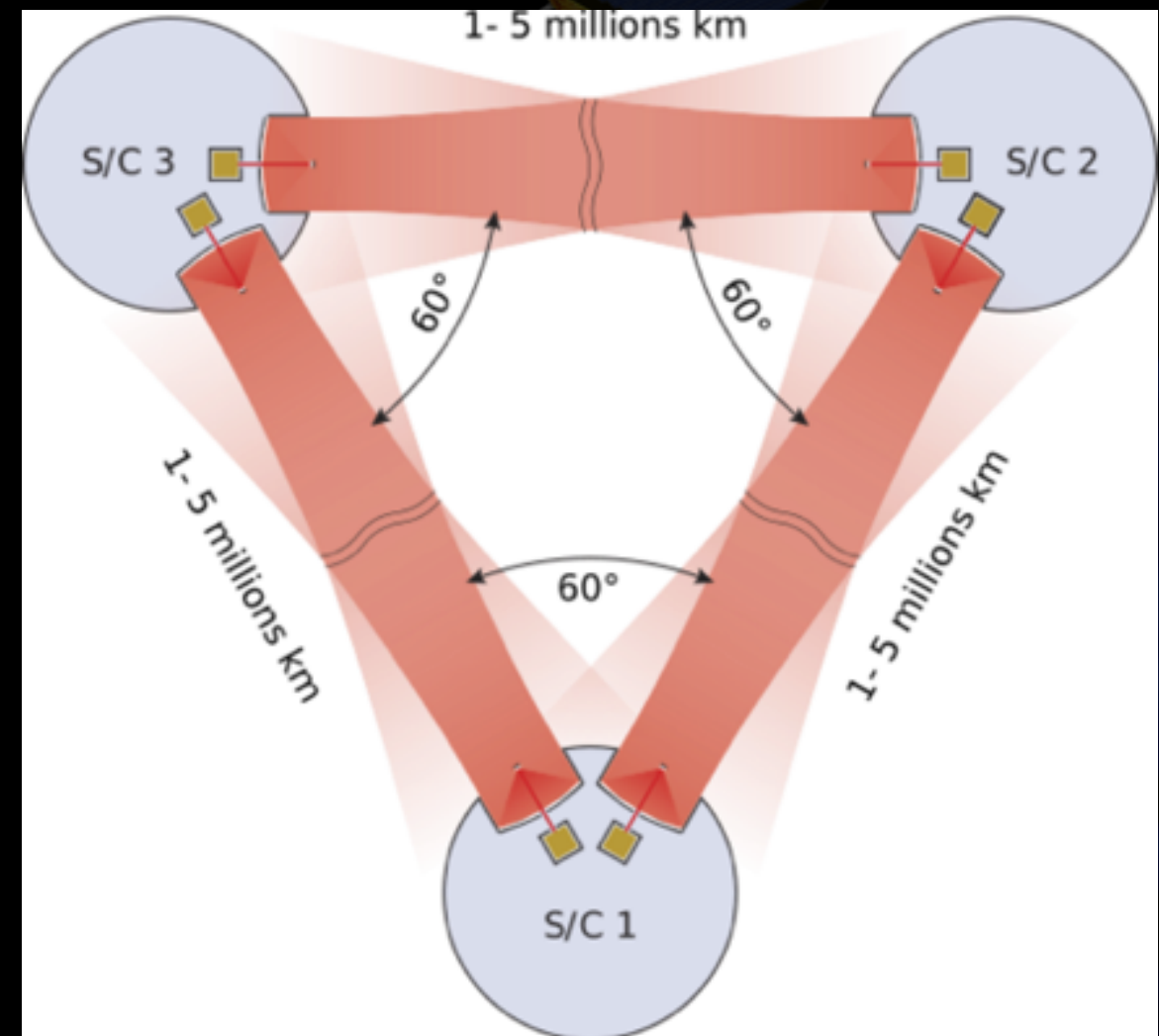
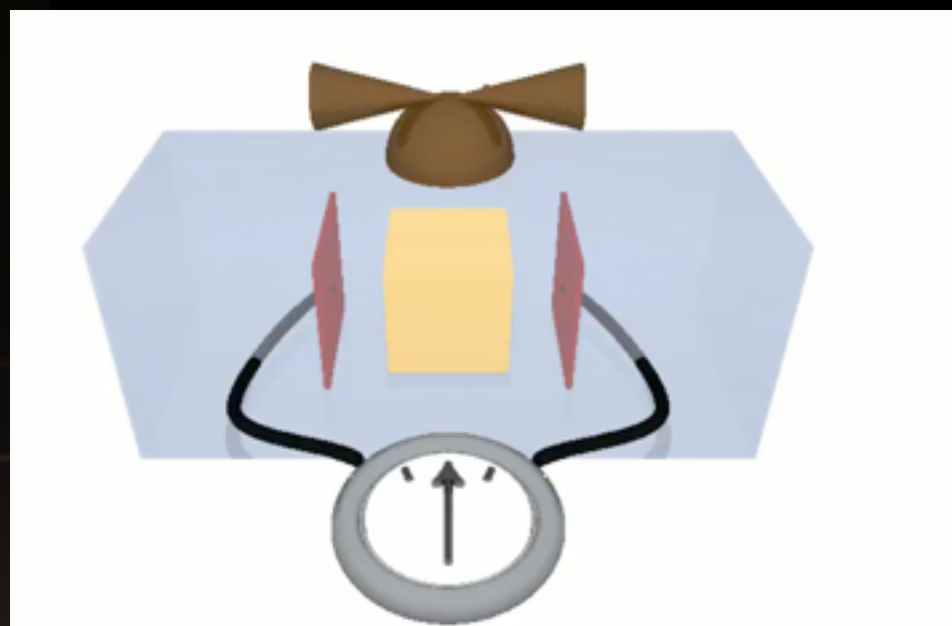
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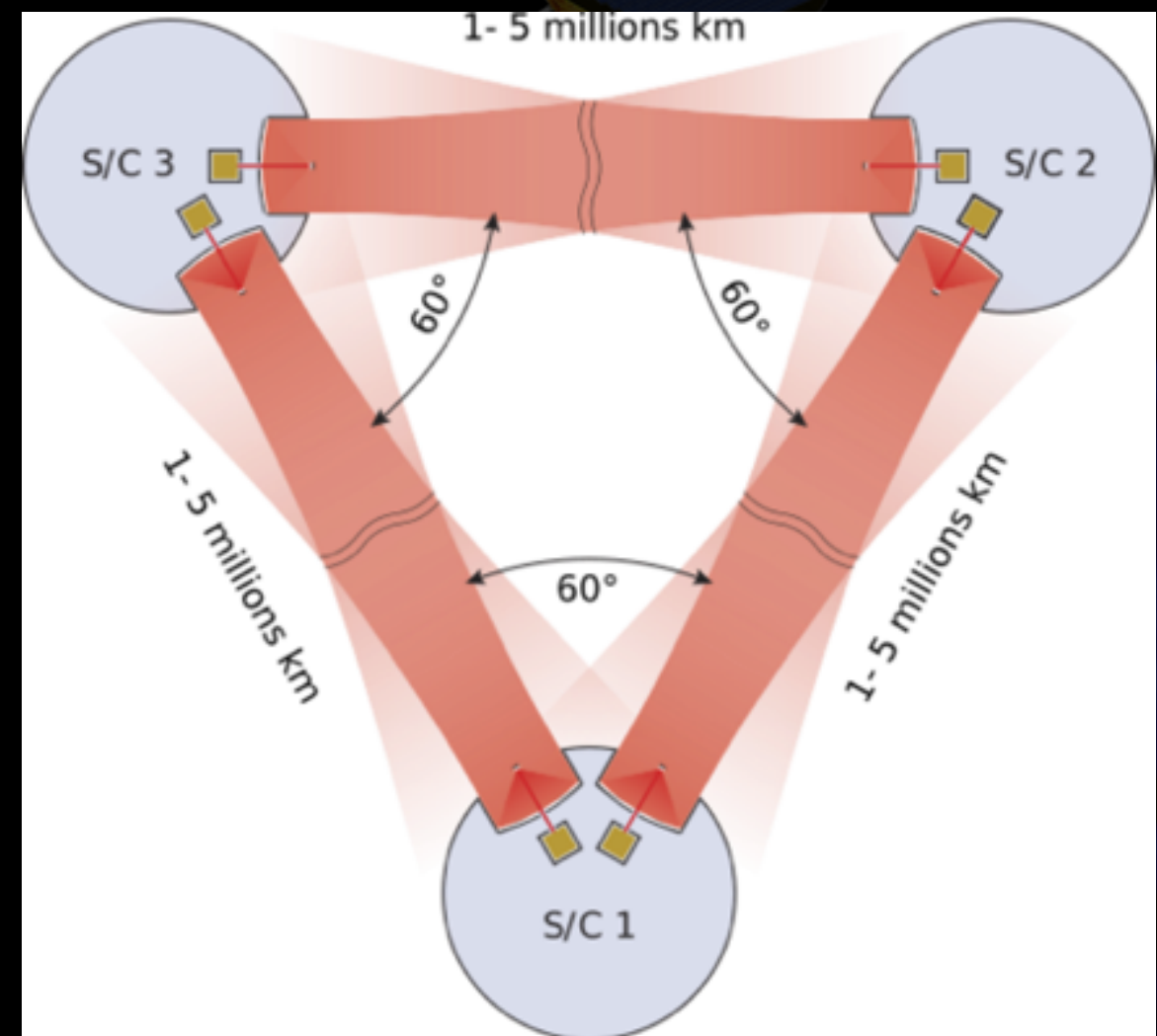
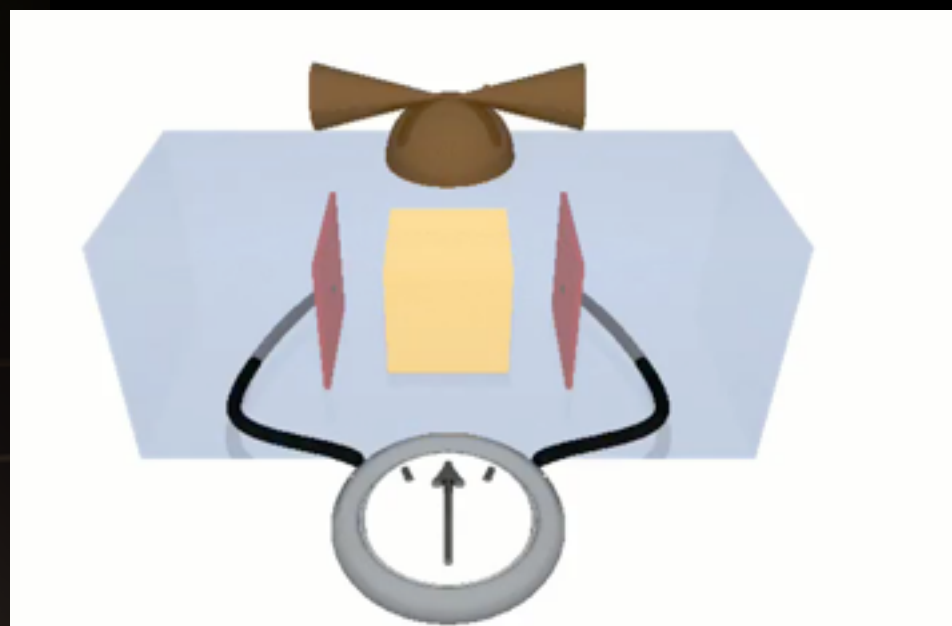
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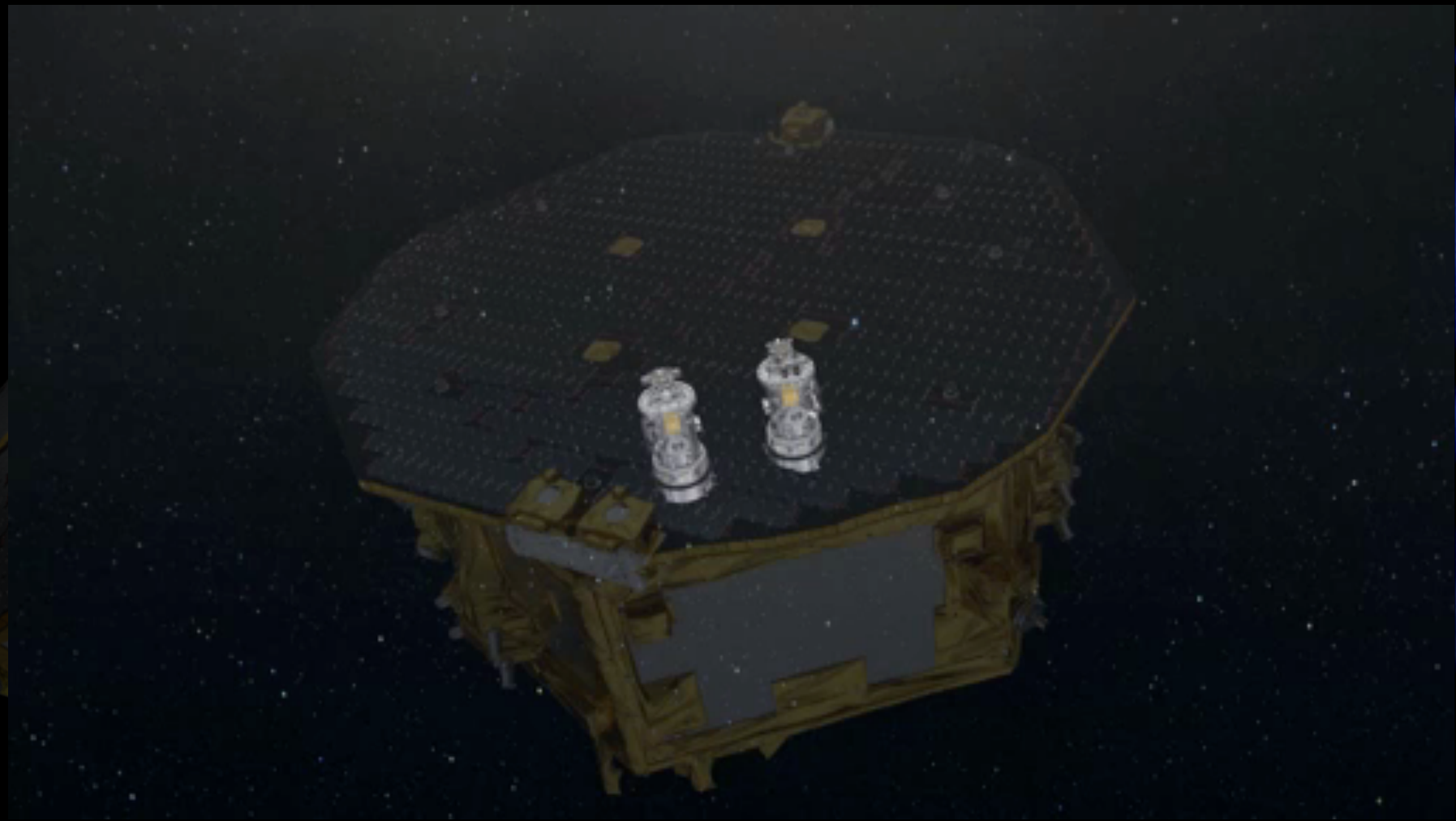
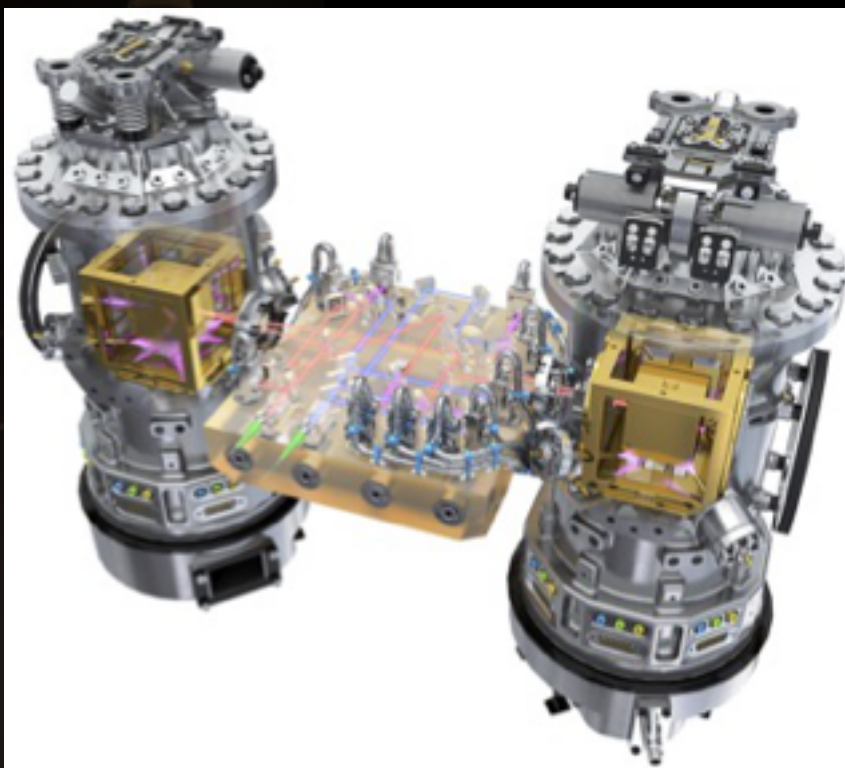
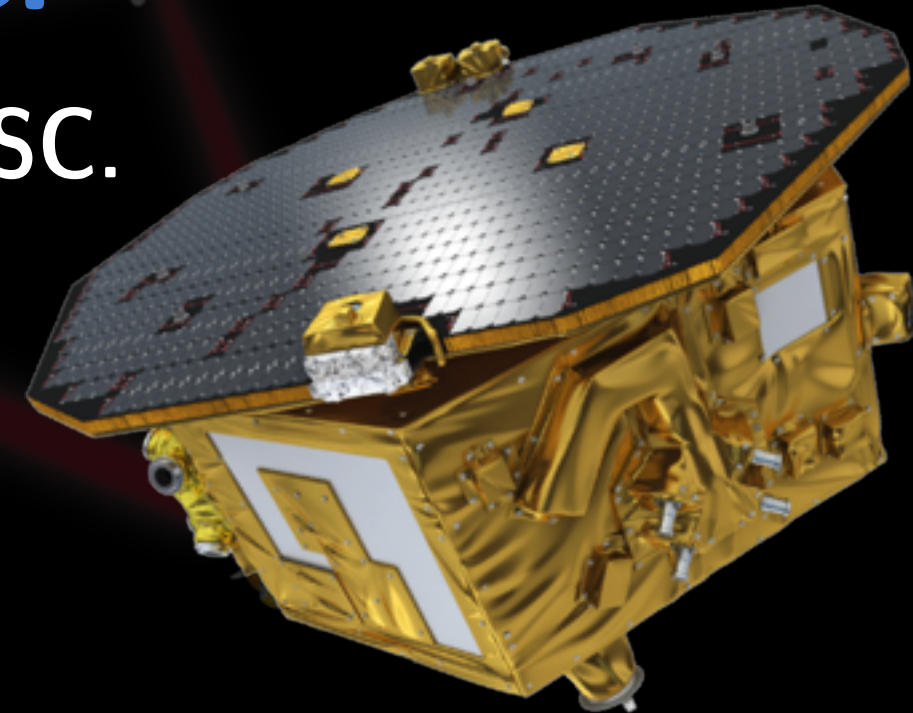
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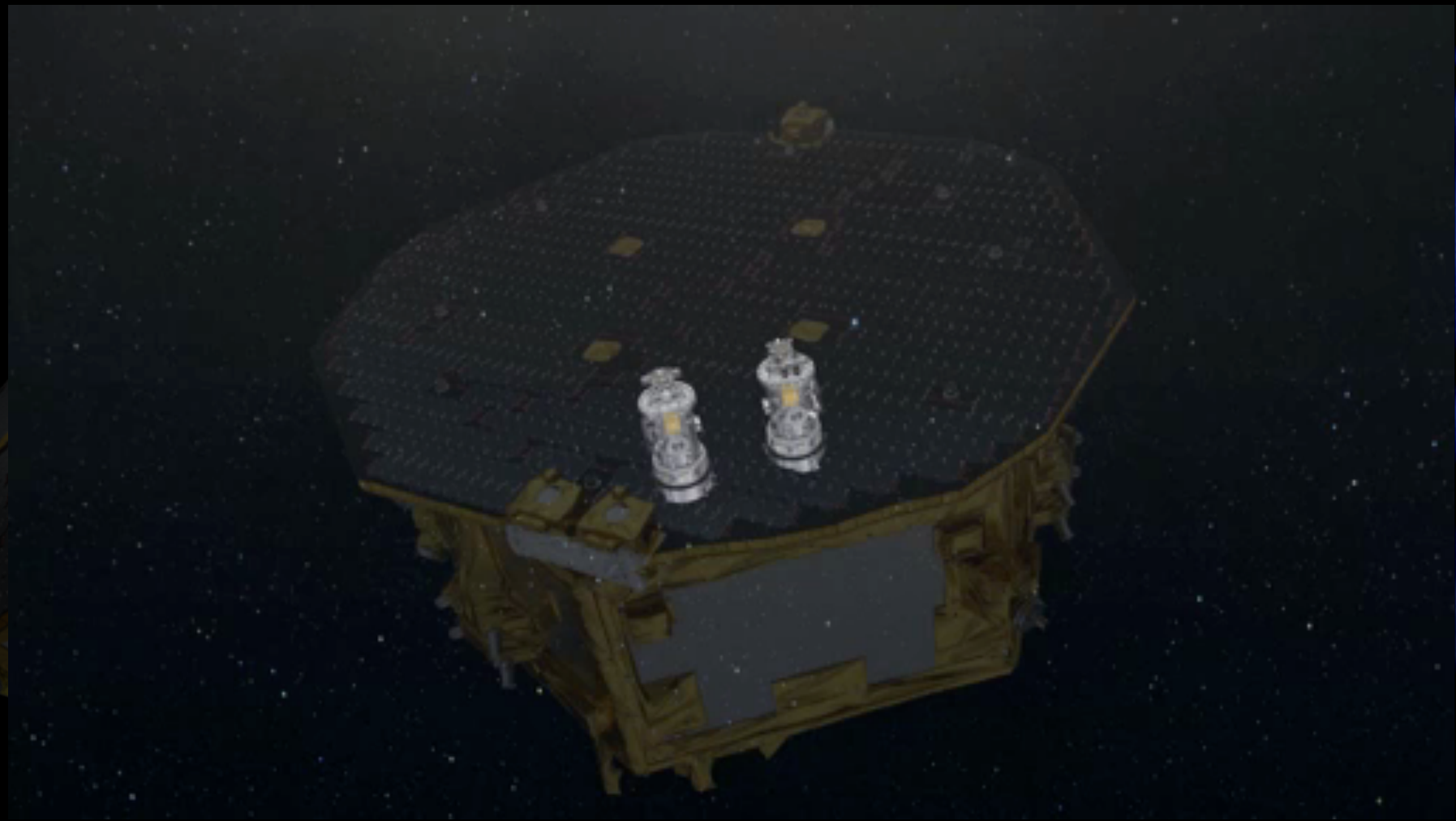
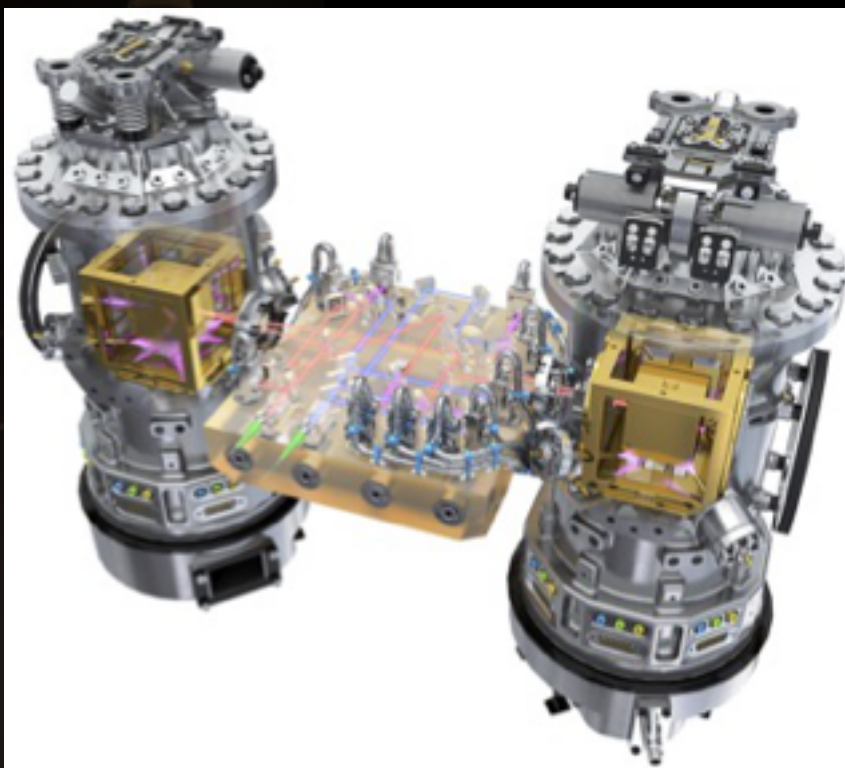
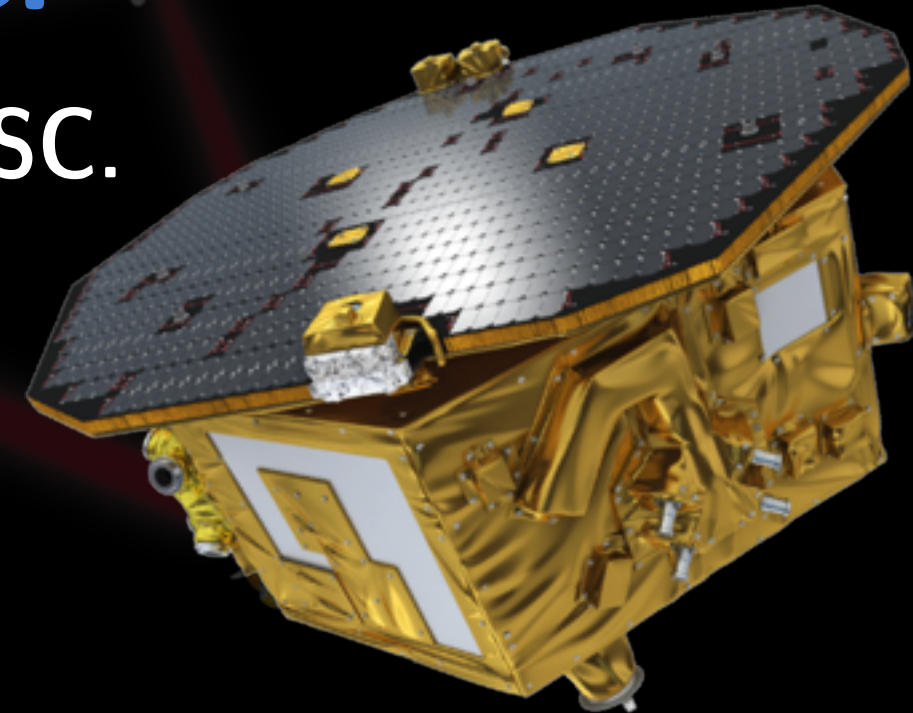
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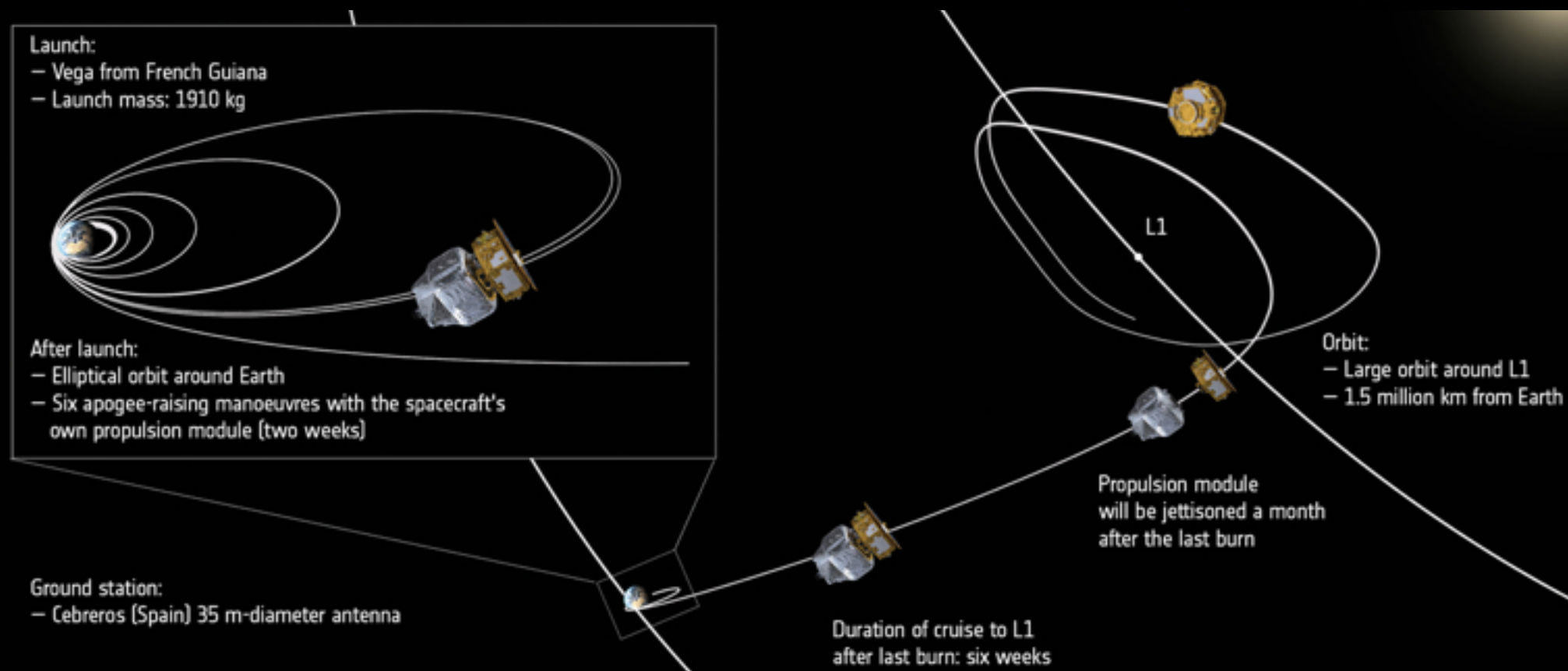




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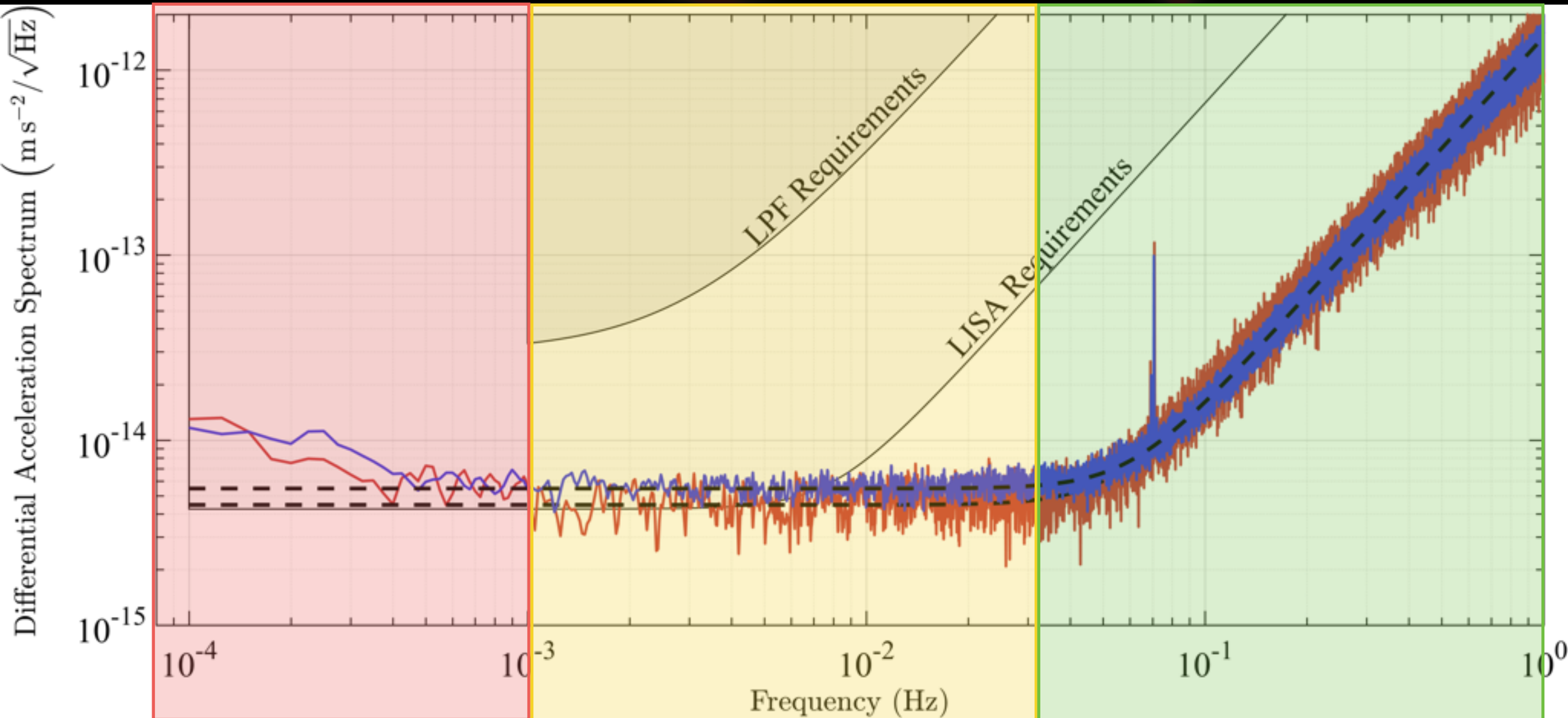
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# First results



## ► Results

M. Armano et al. PRL 116, 231101 (2016)



Low frequency noise:  
actuation noise + ...

Brownian noise  
Molecules within the noise  
hit test-masses

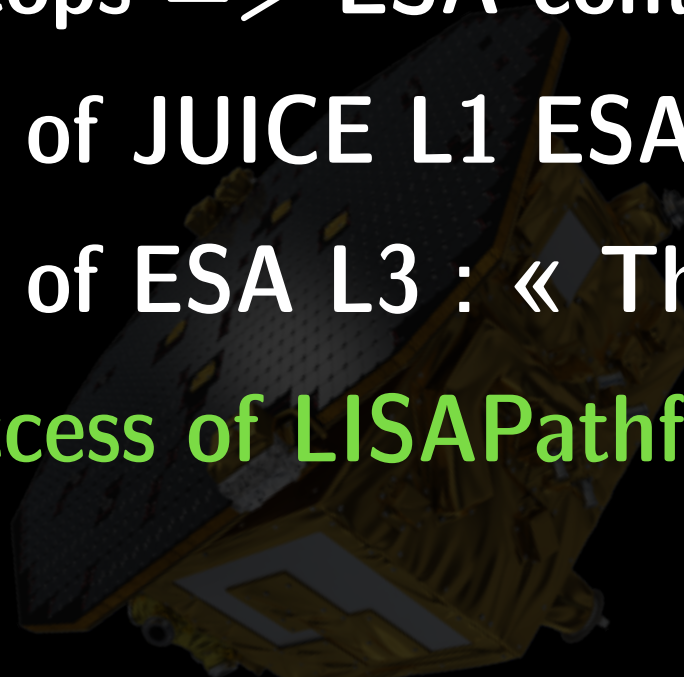
Interferometric noise  
Not real test-mass motion



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Call for mission at ESA



# The LISA Proposal



**LISA**  
Laser Interferometer Space Antenna

*A proposal in response to the ESA call for L3 mission concepts*

Lead Proposer  
Prof. Dr. Karsten Danzmann

<https://www.lisamission.org/proposal/LISA.pdf>

## 2 Science performance

The science theme of *The Gravitational Universe* is addressed here in terms of Science Objectives (SOs) and Science Investigations (SIs), and the Observational Requirements (ORs) necessary to reach those objectives. The ORs are in turn related to Mission Requirements (MRs) for the noise performance, mission duration, etc. The majority of individual LISA sources will be binary systems covering a wide range of masses, mass ratios, and physical states. From here on, we use  $M$  to refer to the total source frame mass of a particular system. The GW strain signal,  $h(t)$ , called the waveform, together with its frequency domain representation  $\hat{h}(f)$ , encodes exquisite information about intrinsic parameters of the source (e.g., the mass and spin of the interacting bodies) and extrinsic parameters, such as inclination, luminosity distance and sky location. The assessment of Observational Requirements (ORs) requires a calculation of the Signal-to-Noise-Ratio (SNR) and the parameter measurement accuracy. The SNR is approximately the square root of the frequency integral of the ratio of the signal squared,  $\hat{h}(f)^2$ , to the sky-averaged sensitivity of the observatory, expressed as power spectral density  $S_h(f)$ . Shown in Figure 2 is the square root of this quantity, the linear spectral density  $\sqrt{S_h(f)}$ , for a 2-arm configuration (TDI X). In

the following, any quoted SNRs for the Observational Requirements (ORs) are given in terms of the full 3-arm configuration. The derived Mission Requirements (MRs) are expressed as linear spectral densities of the sensitivity for a 2-arm configuration (TDI X).

The sensitivity curve can be computed from the individual instrument noise contributions, with factors that account for the noise transfer functions and the sky and polarisation averaged response to GWs. Requirements for a minimum SNR level, above which a source is detectable, translate into specific MRs for the observatory. Throughout this section, parameter estimation is done using a Fisher Information Matrix approach, assuming a 4 year mission and 6 active links. For long-lived systems, the calculations are done assuming a very high duty-cycle (> 95%). Requiring the capability to measure key parameters to some minimum accuracy sets MRs that are generally more stringent than those for just detection. Signals are computed according to GR, redshifts using the cosmological model and parameters inferred from the Planck satellite results, and for each class of sources, synthetic models driven by current astrophysical knowledge are used in order to describe their demography. Foregrounds from astrophysical sources, and backgrounds of cosmological origin are also considered.

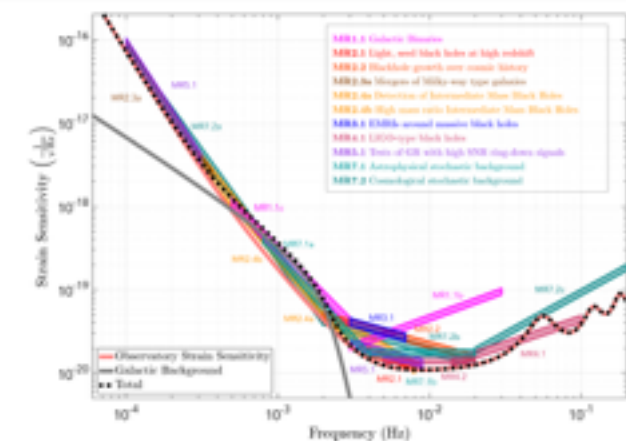


Figure 2: Mission constraints on the sky-averaged strain sensitivity of the observatory for a 2-arm configuration (TDI X),  $\sqrt{S_h(f)}$ , derived from the threshold systems of each observational requirement.

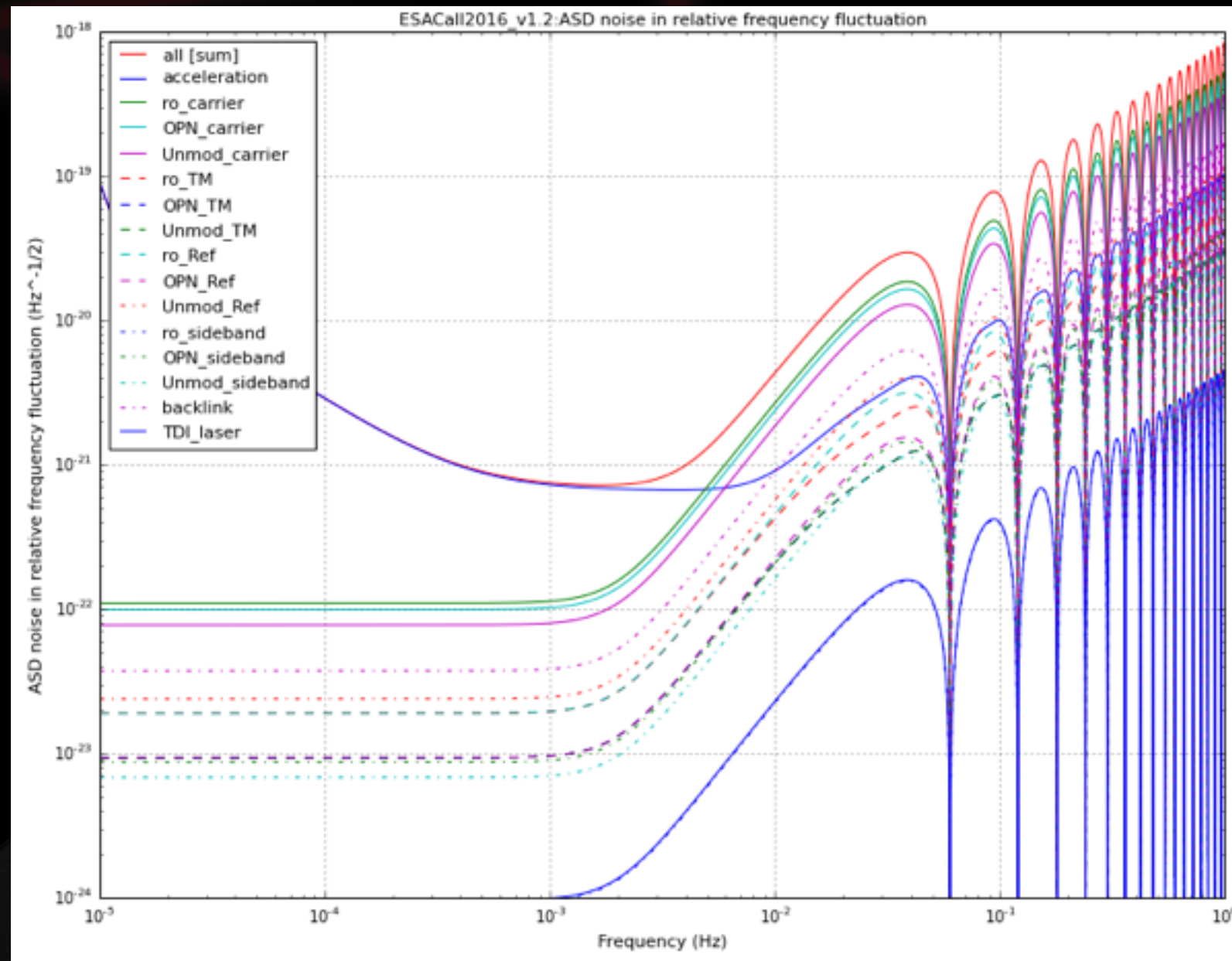


# LISA concept in the proposal



- ▶ 3 arms, 2.5 km
- ▶ Launch Ariane 6.4
- ▶ Propulsion:
  - micro-prop: cold gaz
  - prop. module
- ▶ Frequency band:

$100 \mu\text{Hz} \leq f \leq 0.1 \text{ Hz}$  req.  
 $20 \mu\text{Hz} \leq f \leq 1 \text{ Hz}$  goal



- ▶ Noise budget:

- Acceleration => LISAPathfinder

$$S_a^{1/2} \leq 3 \cdot 10^{-15} \frac{\text{m s}^{-2}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{0.4 \text{ mHz}}{f}\right)^2} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{f}{8 \text{ mHz}}\right)^4}$$

- Interferometric Measurement System

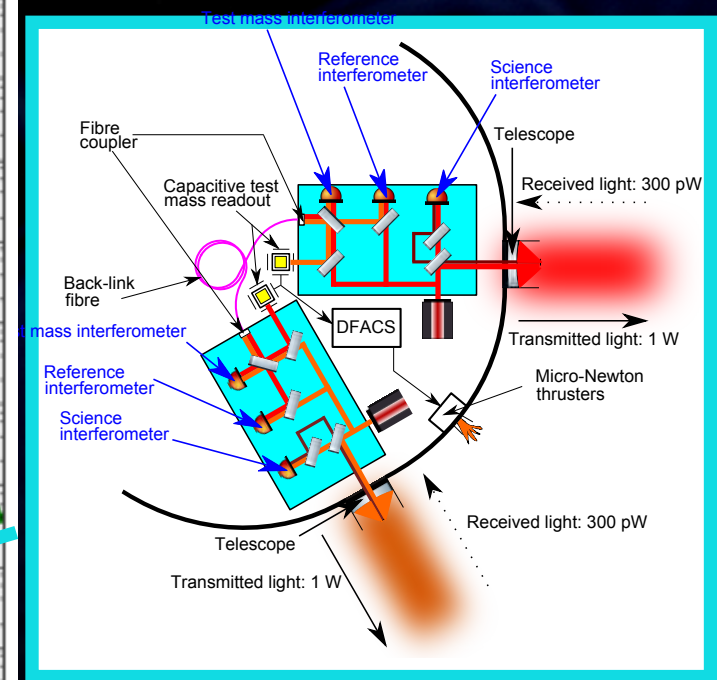
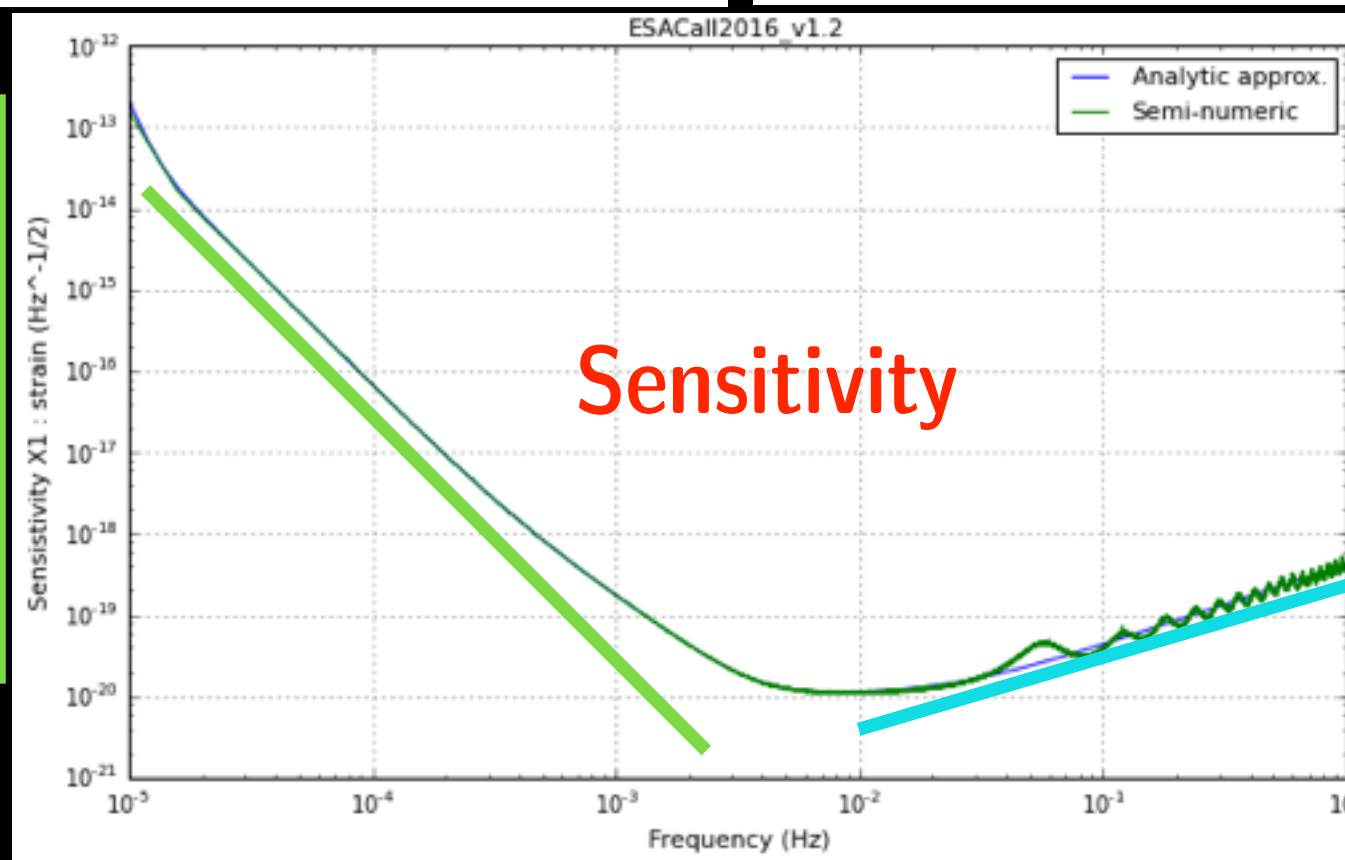
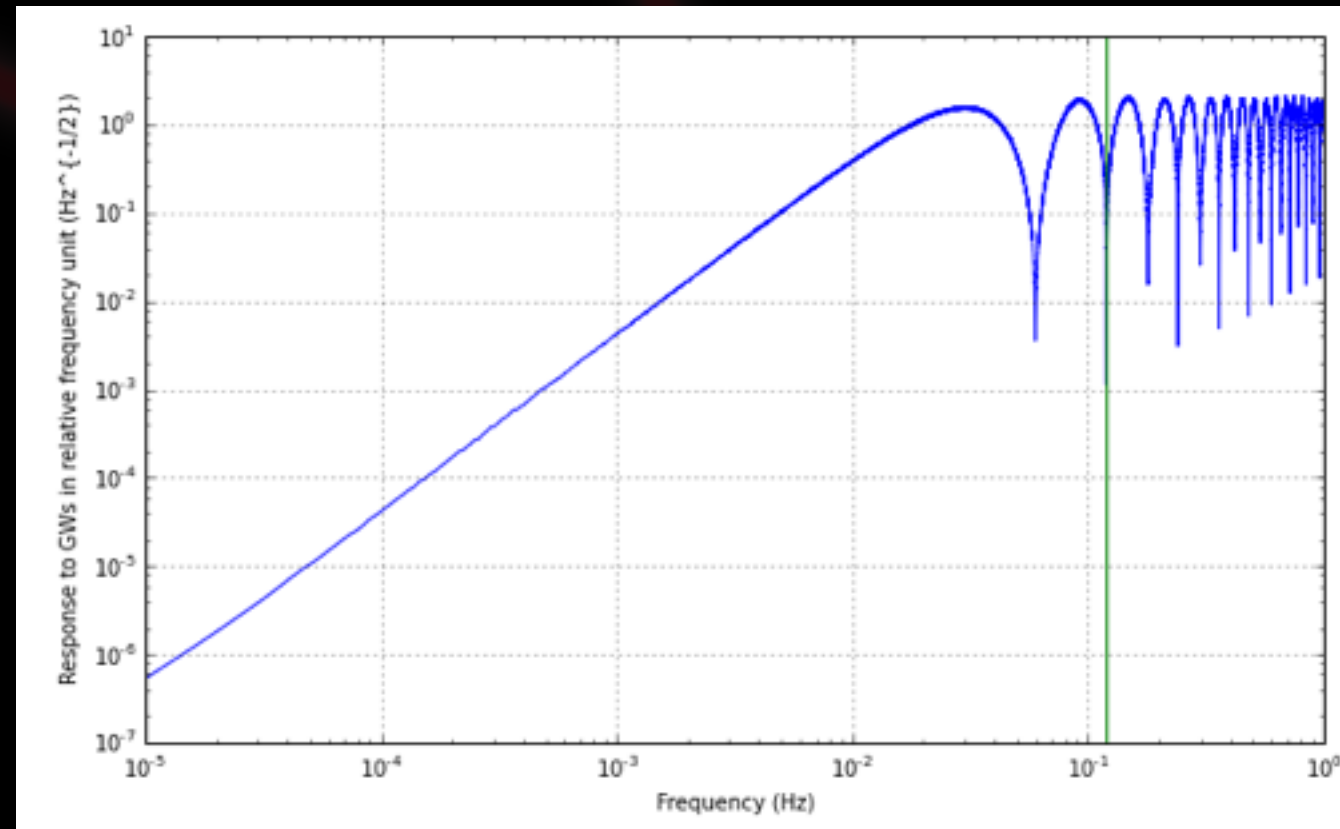
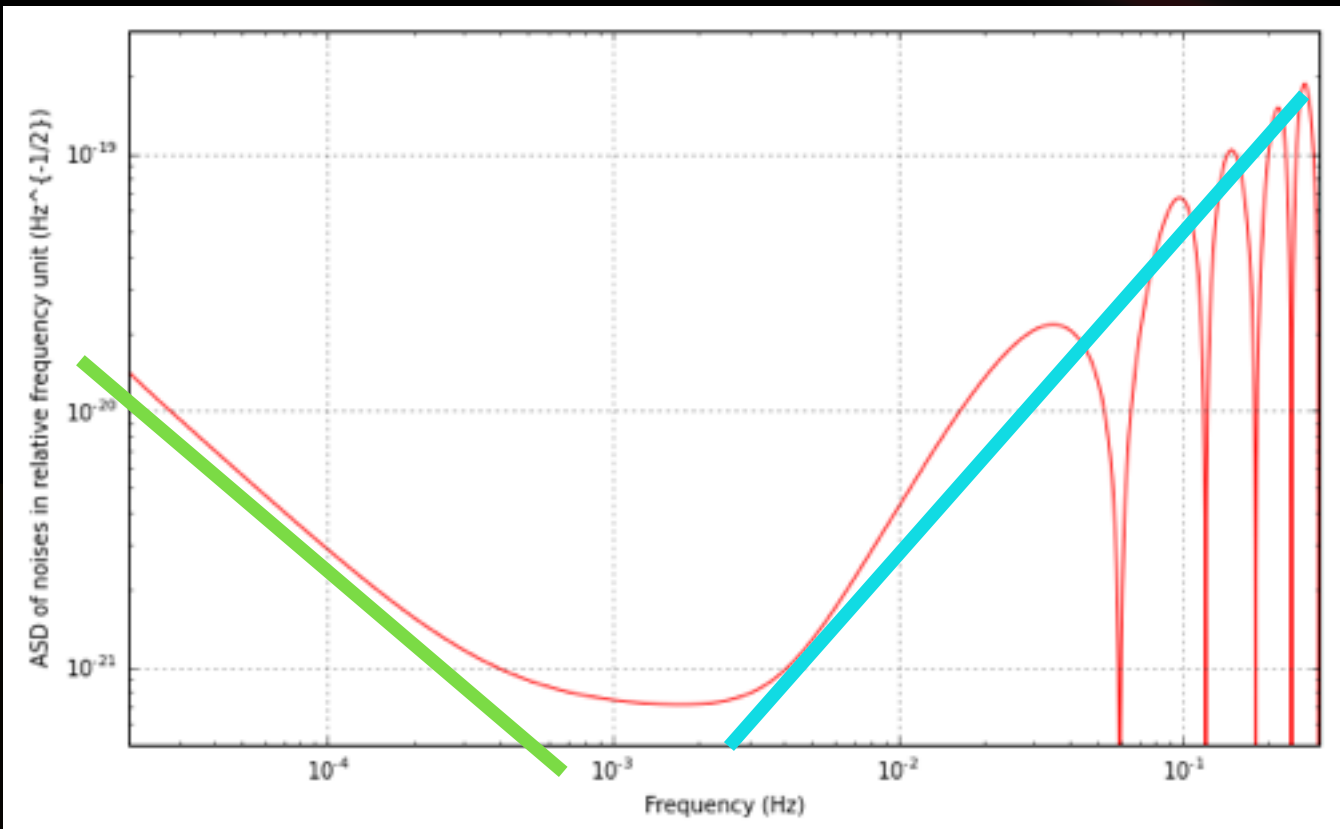
$$S_{\text{IFO}}^{1/2} \leq 10 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{\text{m}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}} \cdot \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2 \text{ mHz}}{f}\right)^4}$$



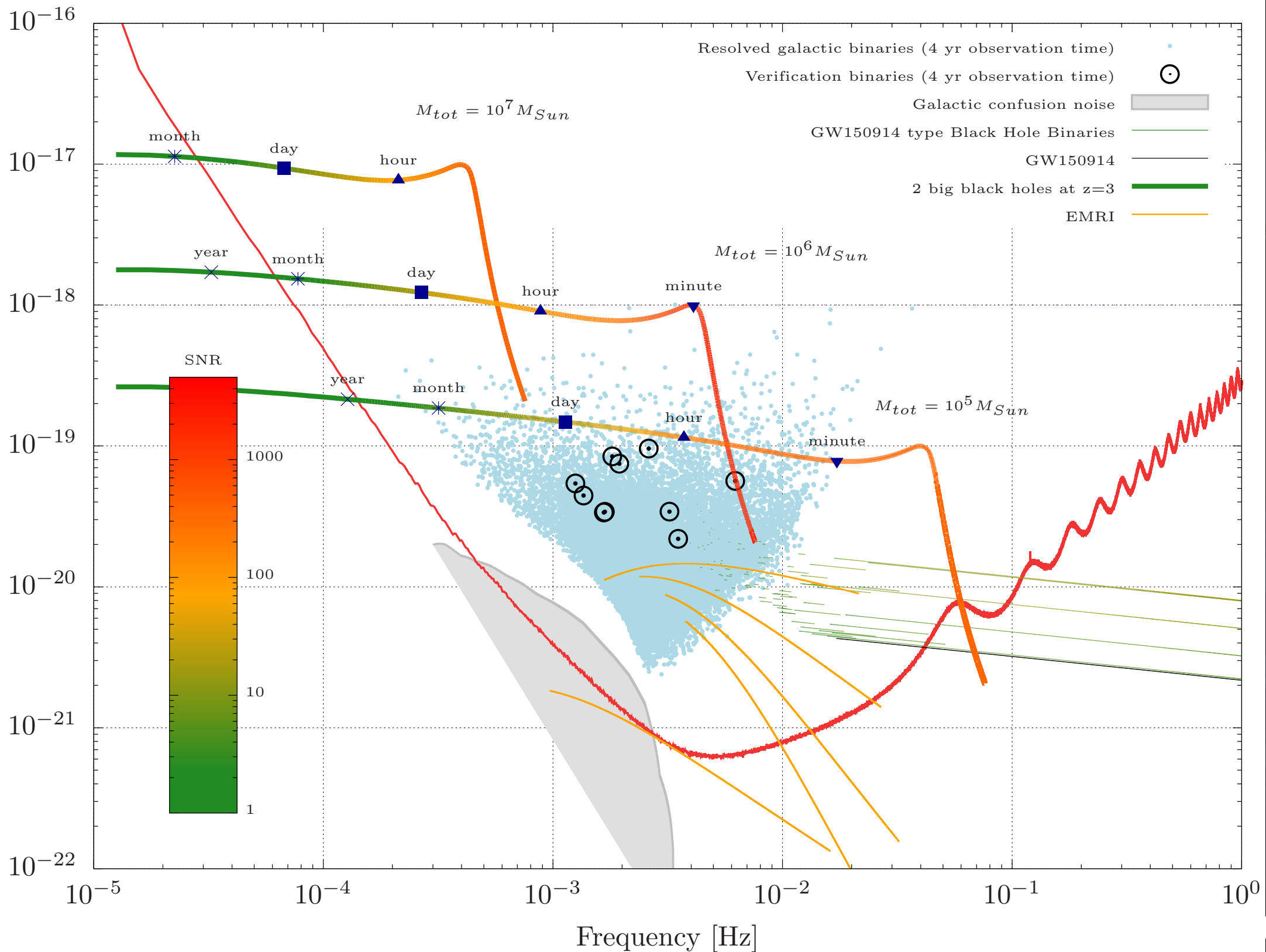
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Noises

Response of the detector to GWs



# GW sources



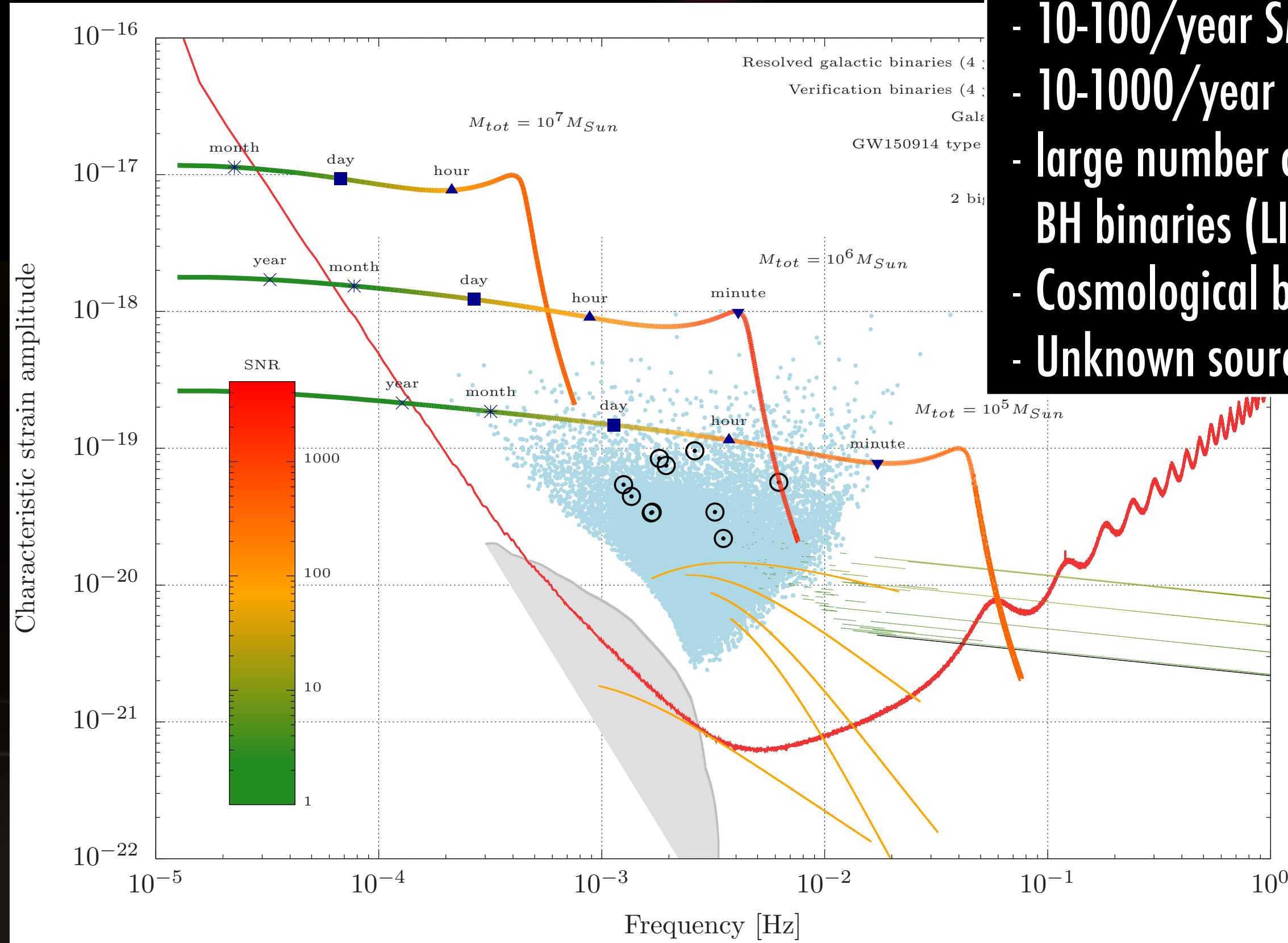


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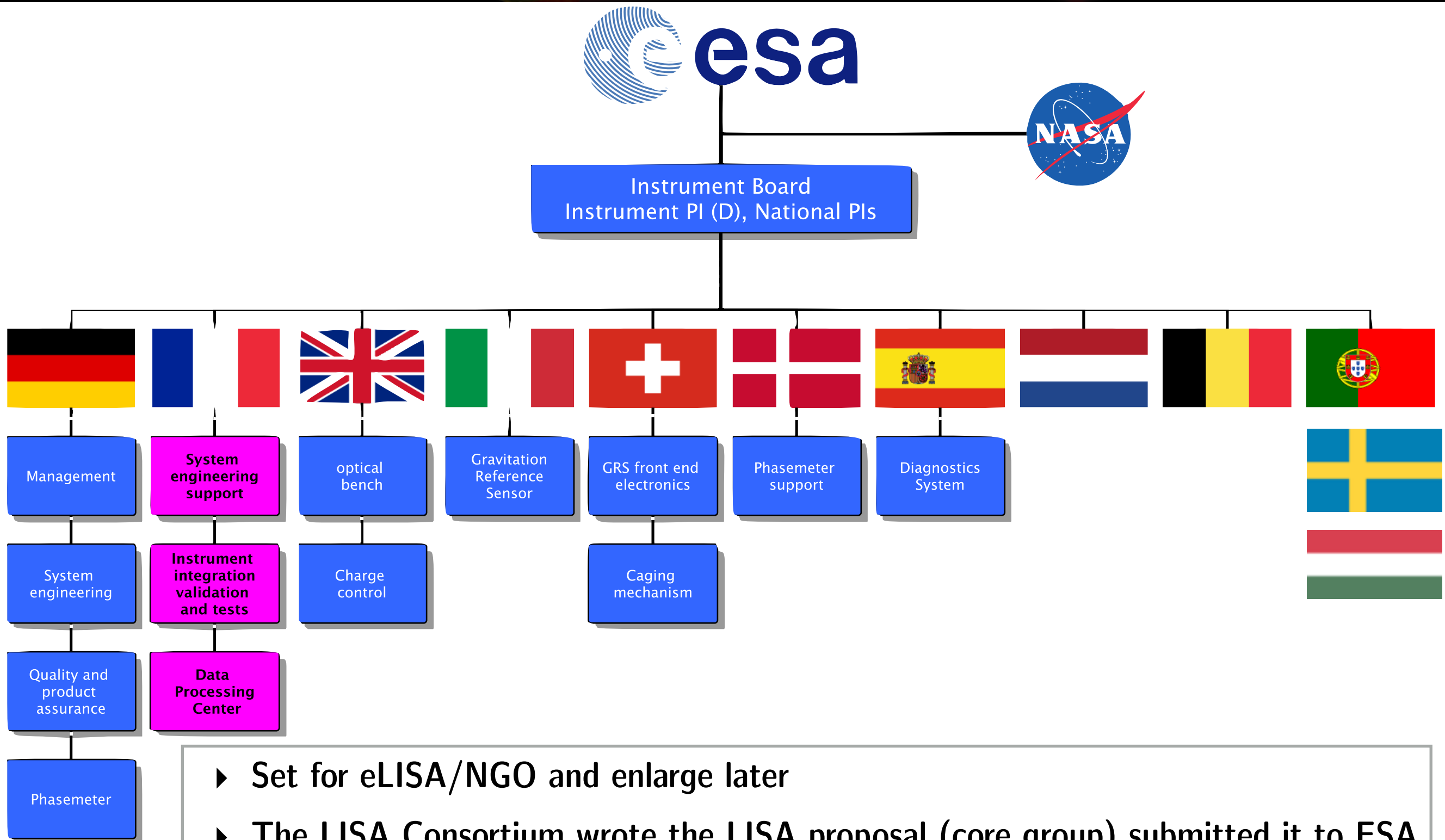


See talk from Chiara Caprini

- $6 \times 10^7$  galactic binaries
- 10-100/year SMBHBs
- 10-1000/year EMRIs
- large number of Stellar Mass BH binaries (LIGO/Virgo)
- Cosmological backgrounds
- Unknown sources



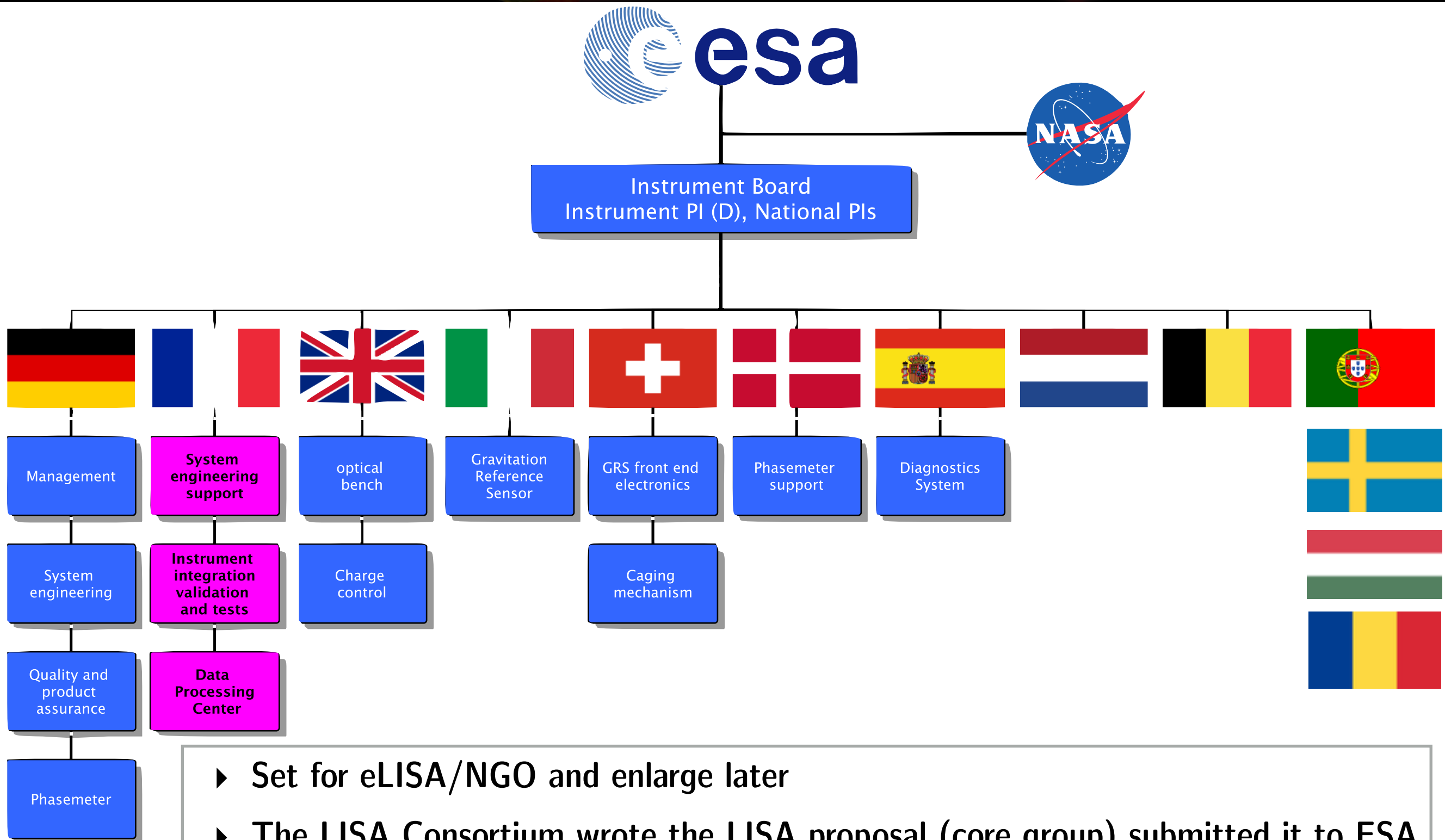
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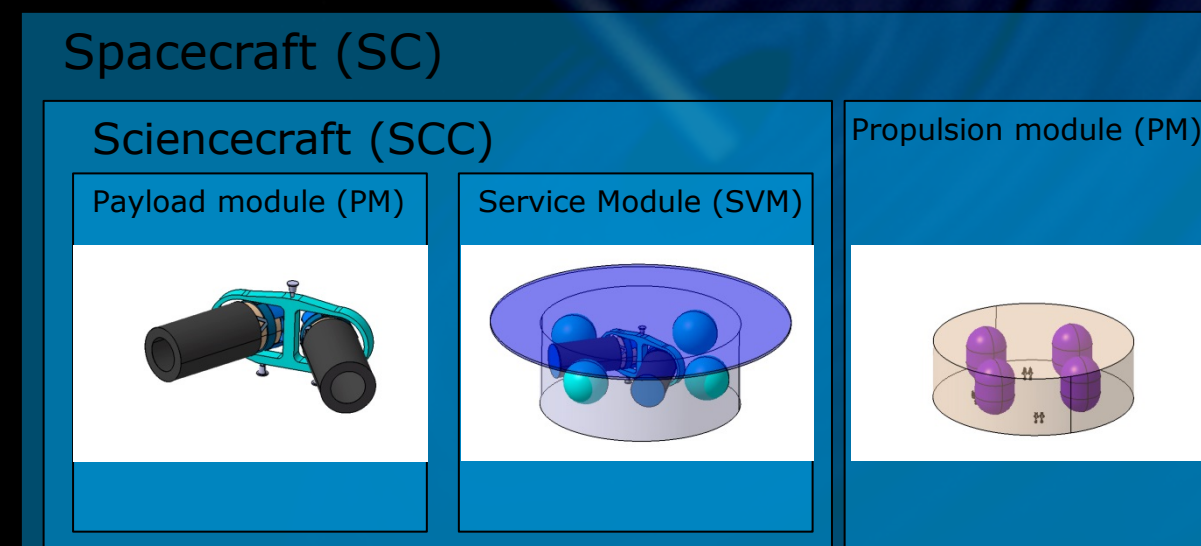
- ▶ 25/10/2016 : Call for mission
  - ▶ 13/01/2017 : submission of «LISA proposal» (LISA consortium)
  - ▶ 8/3/2017 : Phase 0 mission (CDF 8/3/17 → 5/5/17)
  - ▶ 20/06/2017 : LISA mission approved by SPC
  - ▶ 8/3/2017 : Phase 0 payload (CDF June → November 2017)
  - ▶ 2018→2020 : competitive phase A : 2 companies compete
  - ▶ 2020→2022 : B1: start industrial implementation
  - ▶ 2022-2024 : mission adoption
  - ▶ During about 8.5 years : construction
  - ▶ 2030-2034 : launch Ariane 6.4
  - ▶ 1.5 years for transfert
  - ▶ 4 years of nominal mission
  - ▶ Possible extension to 10 years
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- GW observations !**



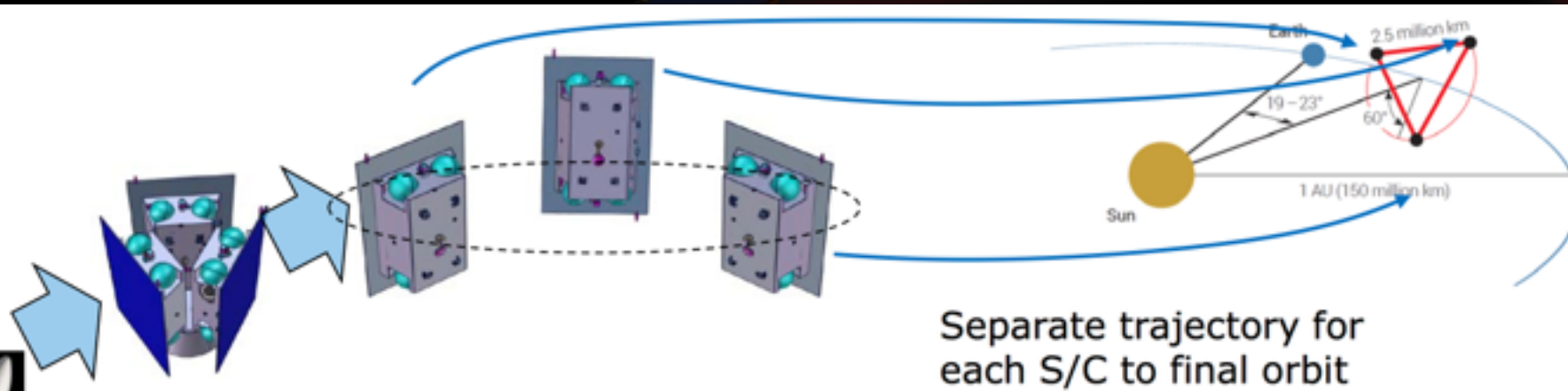
# ESA Phase 0 mission



- ▶ 13 Concurrent Design Facility from March to May 2017
- ▶ Conducted by ESA with few members of the consortium
- ▶ Drivers: thermal stability/range, mechanical stability, mass, power, data rate, volume, integration, ...
- ▶ Several studied options:
  - Propulsion: chemical (CP) / electrical (EP & EP+)
  - Micro-propulsion: cold-gas (CP & EP)/ electrical (EP+)
  - Communication,
  - Shape,
  - Launch strategies, orbits,
  - ...



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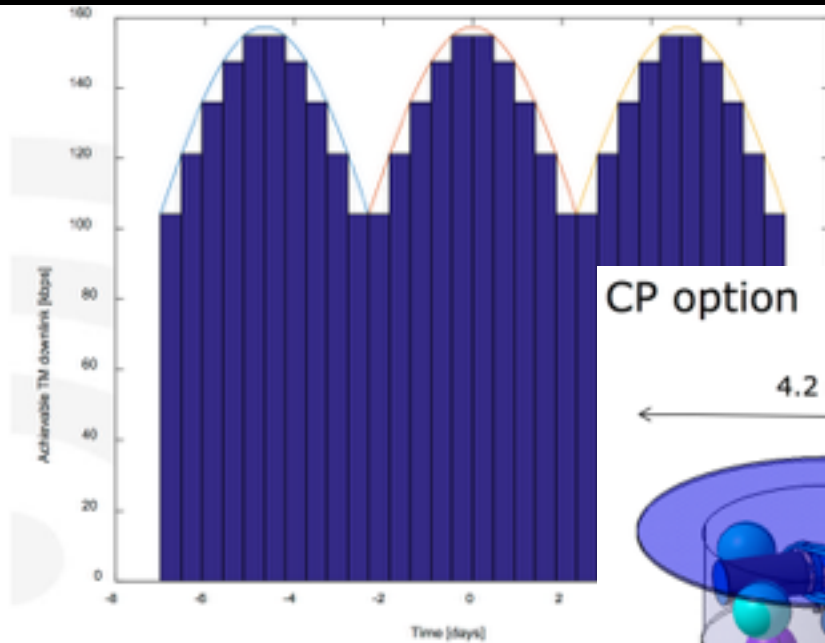
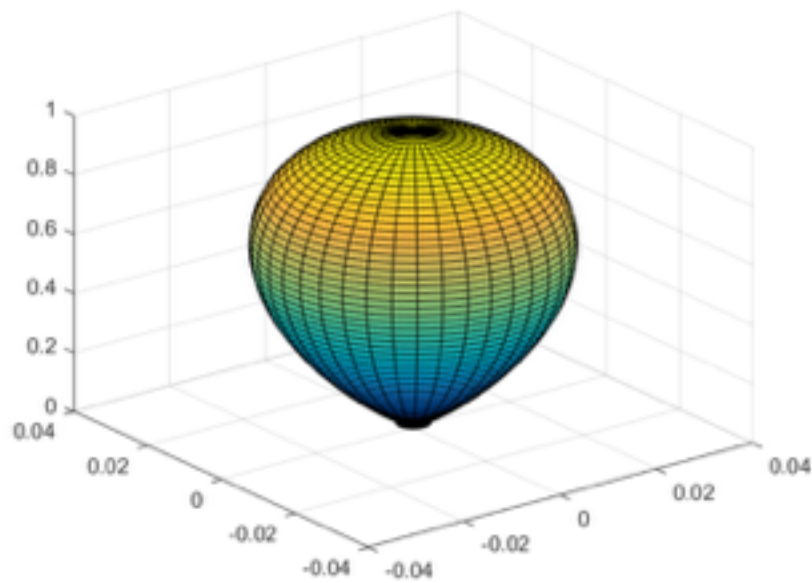


Separate trajectory for each S/C to final orbit

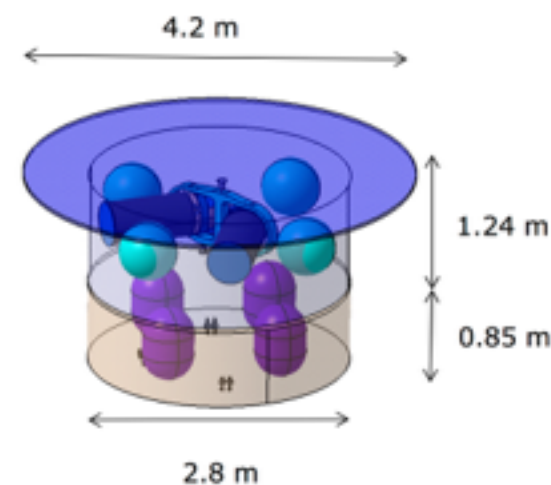
Separation of the stack right after launch

Launch in stacked configuration  
Direct injection into escape trajectory

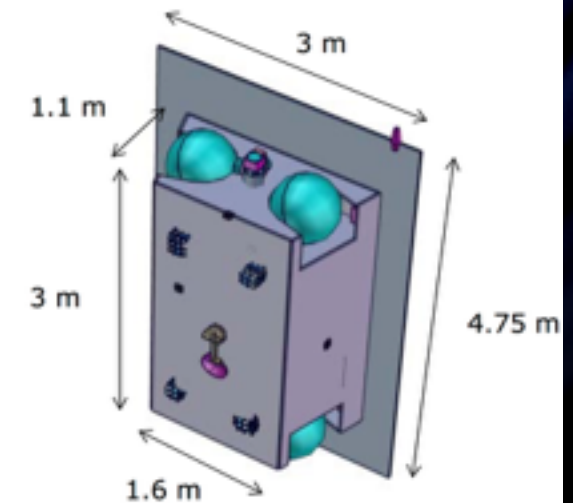
	CP	EP	EP+
Chemical Propulsion	314.8	190.2	4.4
Electric Propulsion	0.0	80.7	170.6
<b>Propulsion dry</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>175</b>
Cprop mass	1115	0	0
Eprop mass	0	148	117
Microprop mass	200	240	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>3244</b>	<b>1881</b>	<b>1522</b>



CP option



EP and EP+ option



**Dish**  
Average rate: 132.7 kbps  
Max rate: 154.8 kbps  
Min rate: 104.2 kbps  
**Margin: 4.1 dB (>3 dB)**

**MGA (CP option)**  
Max rate: 13 kbps  
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**LGA**  
Max rate: 52 bps  
**Margin: 3.1 dB**



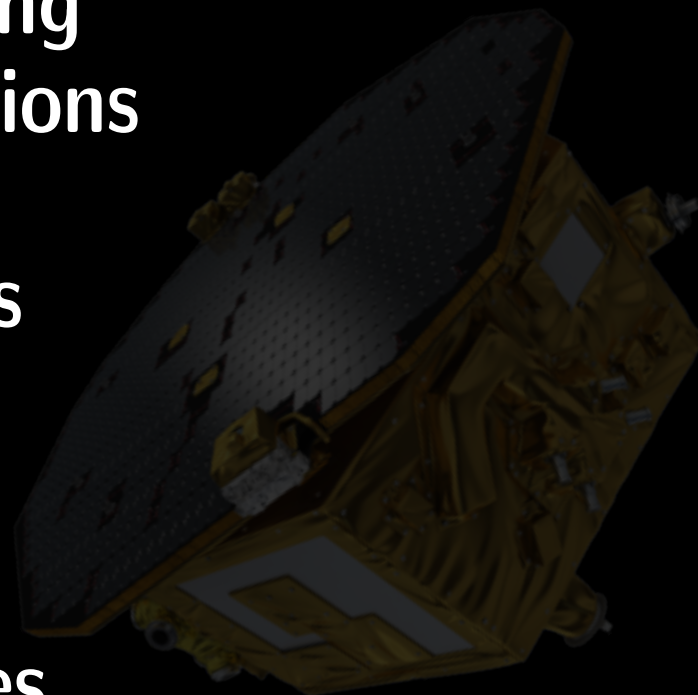
# ESA Phase 0 Payload



- ▶ From June to November
- ▶ Conducted by Payload Coordination Team with ESA
- ▶ Support of ESA CDF

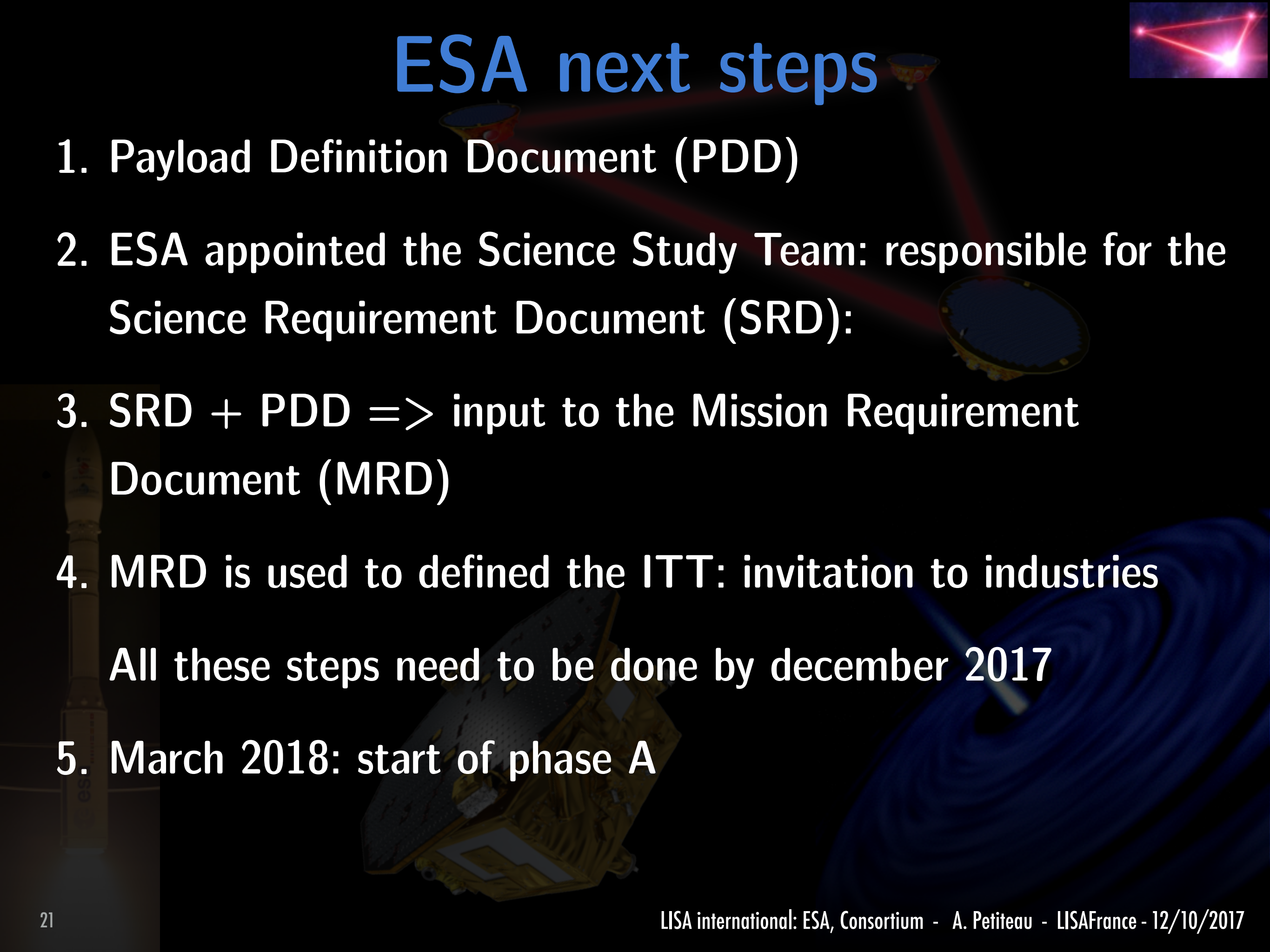
=> Write the Payload Definition Document:

- System requirements
- Architecture
- Budgets
- Commissioning
- Communications
- Control
- Critical items
- Data
- Electrical
- Environment
- Failure modes
- Subsystems:
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  - Diagnostics
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  - Optical Bench
  - Telescope
  - Constellation Acquisition Sensor
  - PhaseMeter



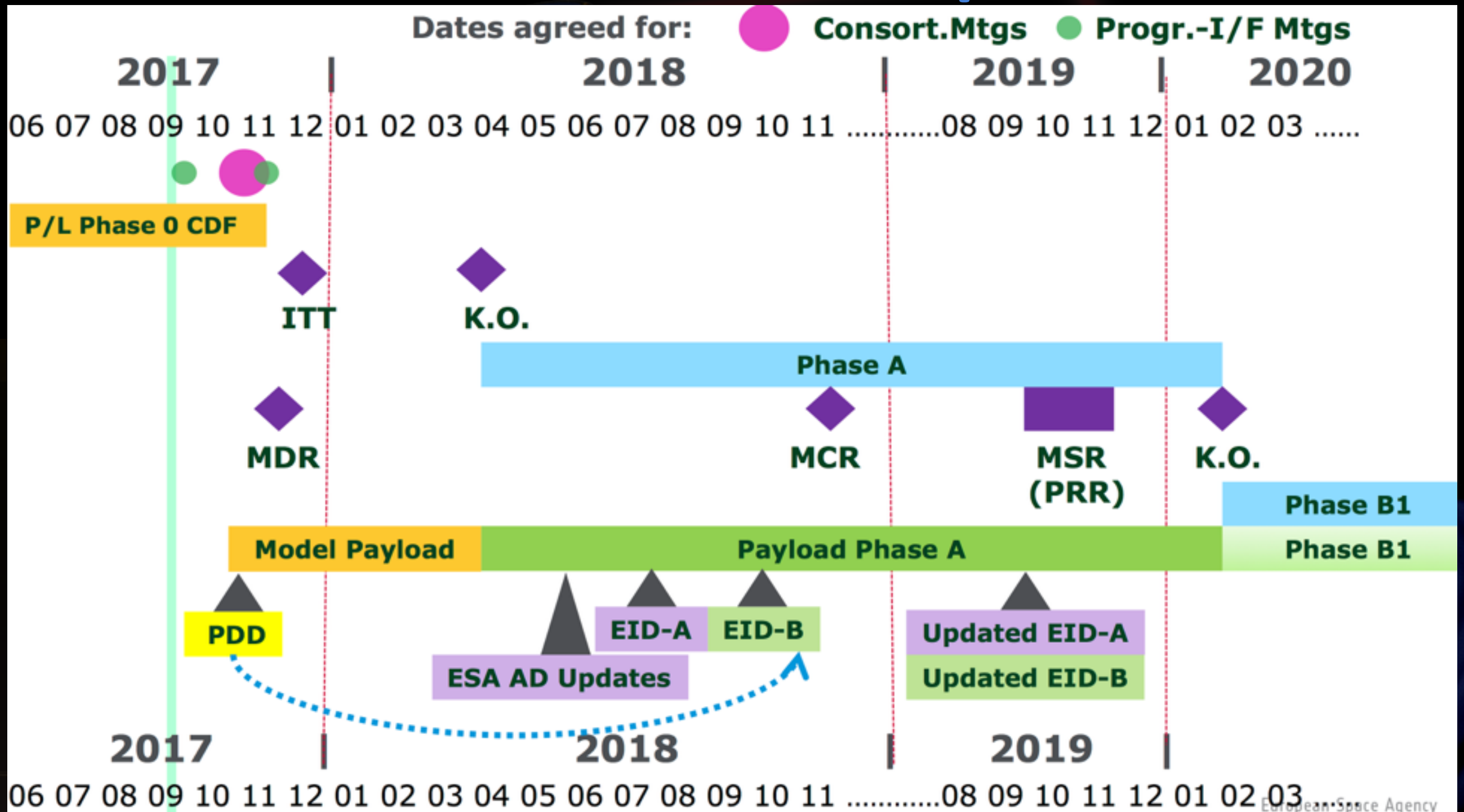
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1. Payload Definition Document (PDD)
  2. ESA appointed the Science Study Team: responsible for the Science Requirement Document (SRD):
  3. SRD + PDD  $\Rightarrow$  input to the Mission Requirement Document (MRD)
  4. MRD is used to defined the ITT: invitation to industries
- All these steps need to be done by december 2017
5. March 2018: start of phase A
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# ESA Next steps



- ▶ Mission Definition/Consolidation/Selection/Adoption Review, Payload Definition Doc, Experiment Interface Doc.

# ESA Team(s)

- ▶ Project Study Scientist: Paul McNamara
- ▶ Project Study Manager: Martin Gelher
- ▶ CDF: Diego Escorial Olmos + ESA experts
- ▶ Science Study Team:

- LISA Europe:

- K. Danzmann (Germany)
- M. Colpi (Italy)
- P. Jetzer (Switzerland)
- M. Hewitson (Germany)
- G. Nelemans (Netherlands)
- A. Petiteau (France)
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- External:

- N. Tanvir
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- LISA US:

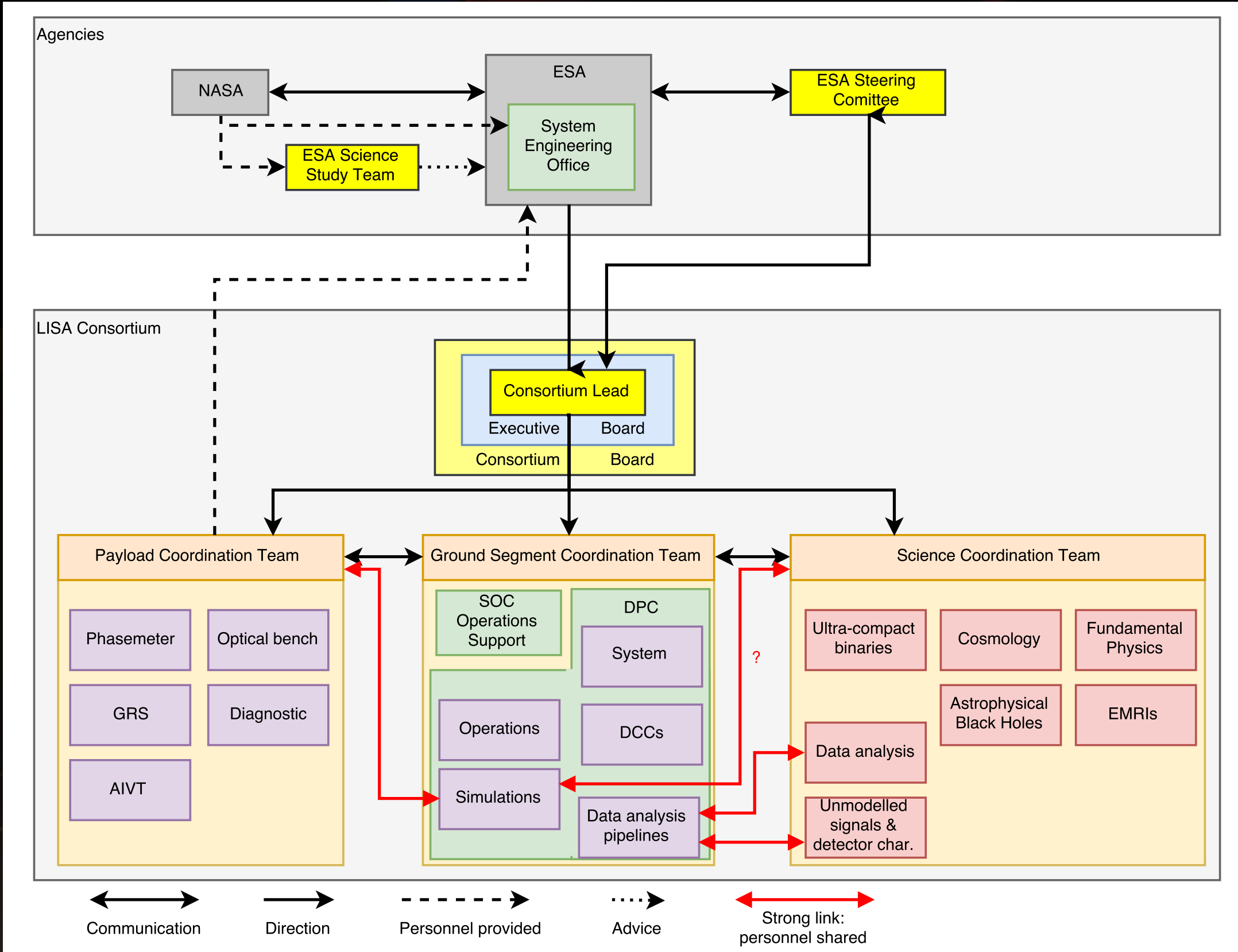
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- Observers:

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- N. Cornish (US),
- G. Mueller (US),
- S. L. Larson (US),
- G. Nelemans(NL),
- C. F. Sopuerta (E),
- A. Hornstrup (DK),
- T. Hertog (BE),
- Z. Frei (HU),
- V. Cardoso (PT),
- R. Church (SE),
- L. Caramete (RO)

## ▶ Payload Coordination Team => in place

- M. Hewitson (AEI), B. Weber (UTN), E. Fitzimons (Glasgow), G. Heinzel (AEI), H. Halloin (APC), N. Dinu-Jaegger (ARTEMIS), G. Mueller(Florida), L. Ferraioli (ETH), J. Livas (NASA), ...

## ▶ Ground Segment Coordination Team => in progress

## ▶ Science Coordination Team => to be done but already strong Cosmology Working Group (C. Caprini et al.)



# NASA ?

- ▶ “Comfortable” as be **junior partner**, ESA leading the mission
- ▶ Contribution to the ESA mission: payload and non-payload
- ▶ 2 roles: **member of the consortium** (funding & hardware) and **direct partner to ESA**
- ▶ NASA LISA Study Team:
  - science case (decadal 2019), science advisor, communication (NASA science community  $\Leftrightarrow$  consortium)
- ▶ 5 technologies (telescope, laser, phase meter, CMS, micro-thrusters) + mission contribution  $\Rightarrow$  decision on final contribution 2024 or before

# French contributions



## ▶ Main contributions (deliverable):

- Assembly Integration Verification and Test of part of the payload [talk from Nicoleta Dinu-Jaeger]
- Performance Control [talk from Nicoleta Dinu-Jaeger]
- Data Processing Center [talk from Maude Le Jeune]

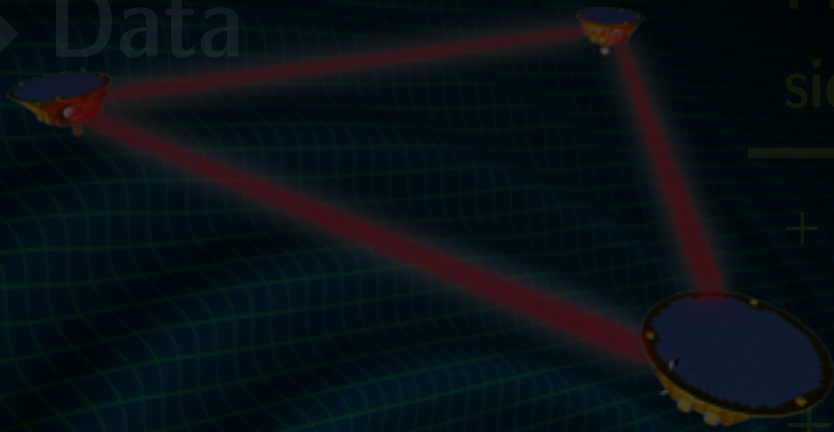
## ▶ Others:

- LISA Pathfinder [talk from Joseph Martino]
- LISA Data Challenge [talk from Stas Babak]
- Simulations [talk from Jean-Baptiste Bayle]
- Science: cosmology, astrophysics, fundamental physics [talks this afternoon]
- ...



# LISA DPC

► Data



'Survey' type observatory

Phasemeters (carrier, sidebands, distance)

+ Gravitational Reference Sensor

+ Auxiliary channels

L0



Calibrations corrections

Resynchronisation (clock)

Time-Delay Interferometry  
reduction of laser noise

L1

2 data channels TDI non-correlated

L2

Data Analysis of GWs

L3

Catalogs of GWs sources  
with their waveform

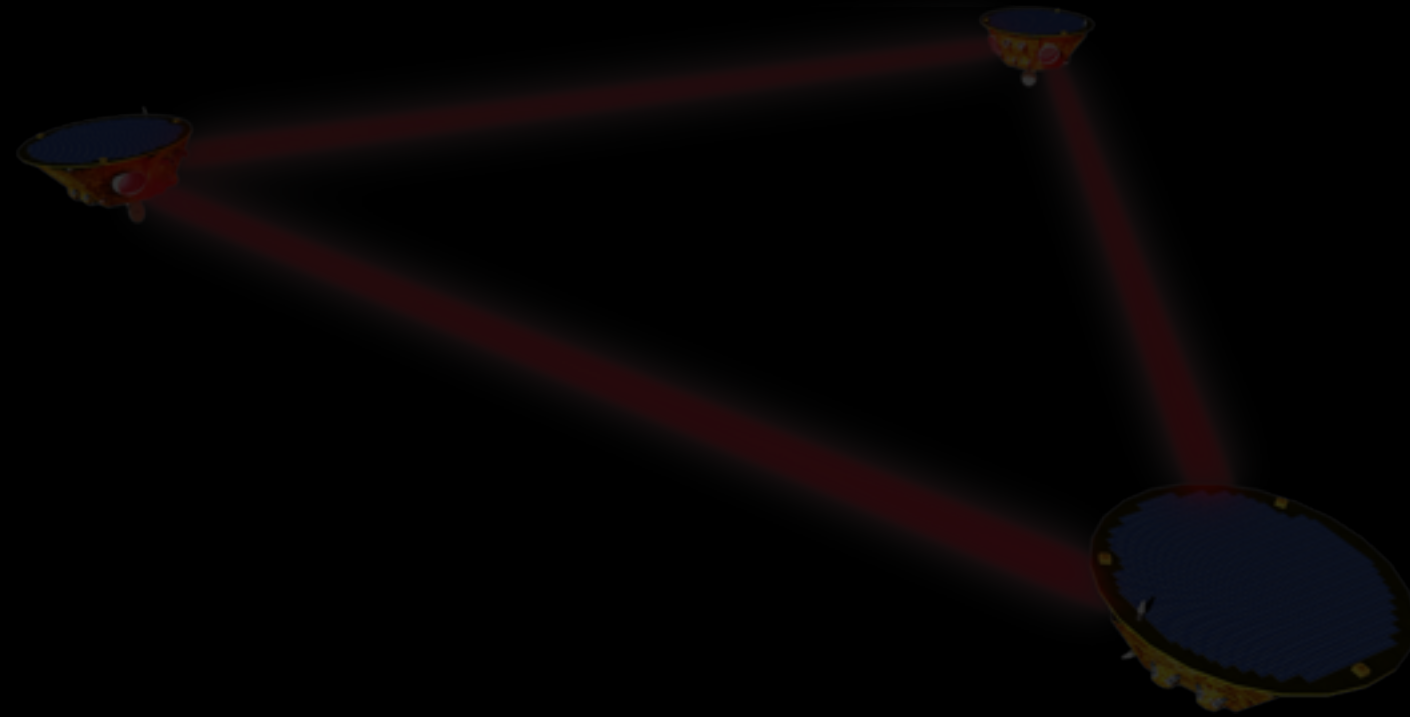
## GW sources

- $6 \times 10^7$  galactic binaries
- 10-100/year SMBHBs
- 10-1000/year EMRIs
- large number of Stellar Origin BH binaries (LIGO/Virgo)
- Cosmological backgrounds
- Unknown sources

# Conclusion

- ▶ After the success of LISAPathfinder and GW detection, LISA consortium submitted a proposal approved by ESA SPC
- ▶ **LISA official started at ESA**: phase 0 until dec. 2017 then phase A:
  - **Good technological readiness** due to decades of development  
=> accelerated process (at the moment)
  - Payload definition in progress & discussion on the ground segment
- ▶ **LISA Consortium** is evolving to a more “solid” structure:
  - Definition of coordination teams
  - LISA community is growing very quickly
- ▶ **French (potential) contributions identified**: detailed def. in phase A  
=> **Need for a French organisation/consortium: LISAFrance**  
=> **this meeting!**





Thank you

