



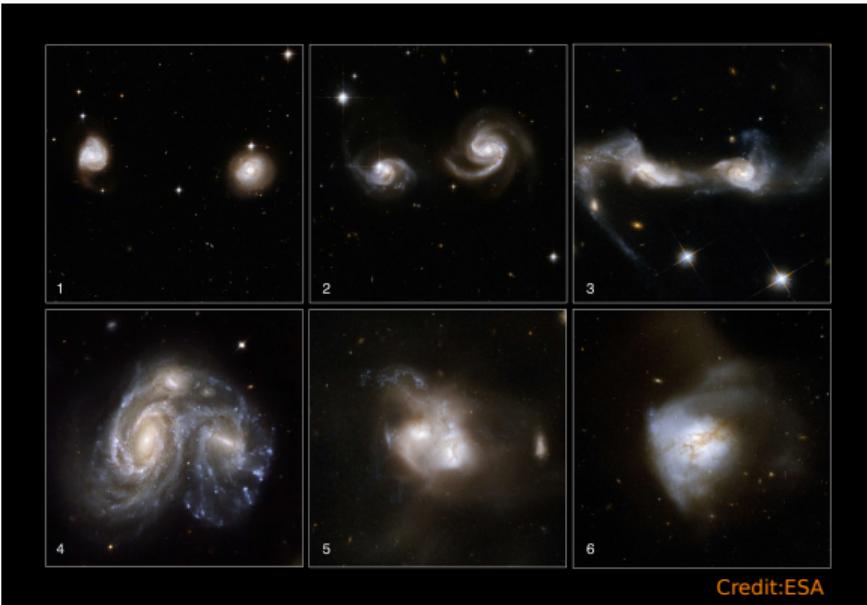
Multimessenger prospects for massive black hole binaries in LISA

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Massive black hole binaries (MBHBs)



Credit:ESA

$$\text{MBH} \sim 10^{5-7} M_{\odot}$$

We currently believe that MBHBs are hosted at the center of galaxies

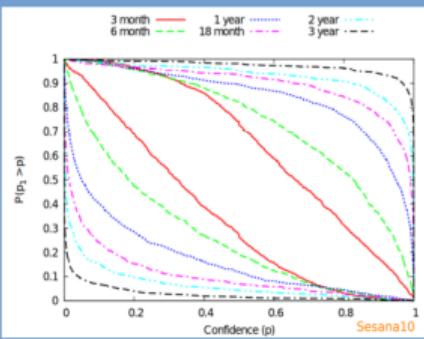
When two galaxies merge, the MBHBs in their center form a binary and, eventually, merge emitting gravitational waves (GWs)

Why MBHBs?

The importance of MBHBs

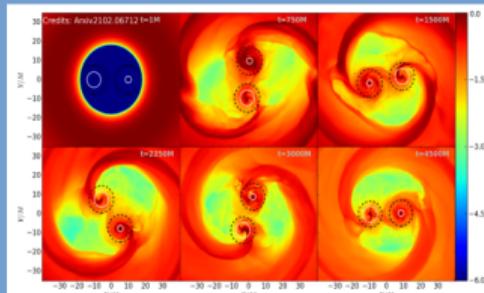
Astrophysics

Constrain MBHBs formation and evolution scenarios



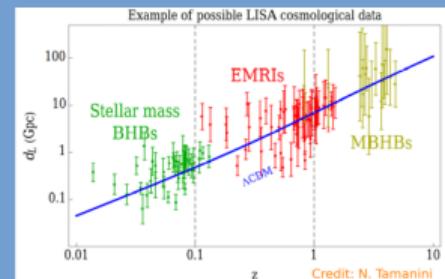
Multi-messenger

Formation of X-ray corona and jet around newly formed horizons



Cosmology

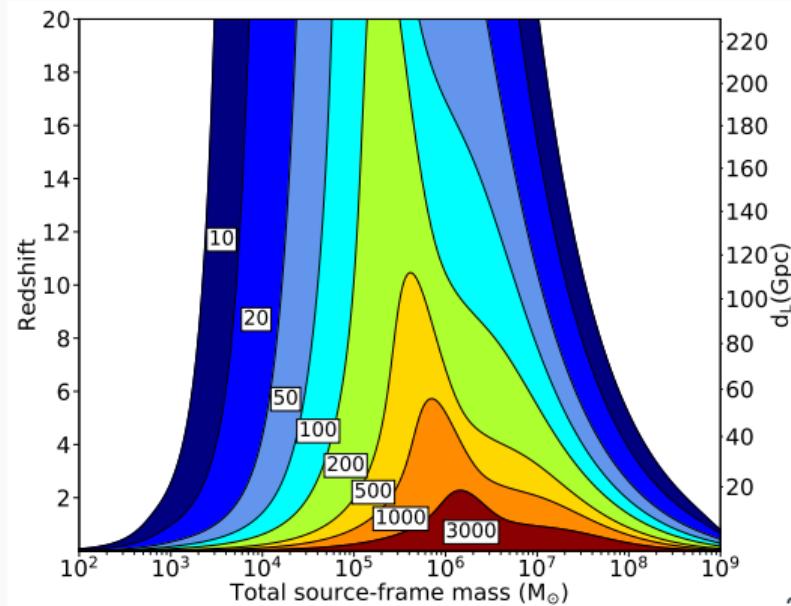
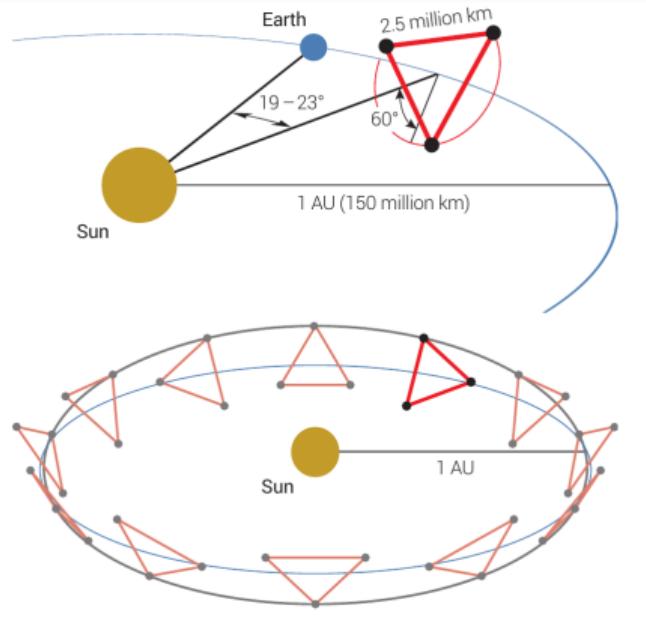
Testing the expansion rate of the Universe



Observing the entire Universe with GWs

In mid-2030s LISA (Laser Interferometer Space Antenna) will observe the GWs from the coalescence of MBHBs in the entire Universe (ArXiv:1702.00786)

- 3rd Large class mission selected by European Space Agency (ESA)
- Successfully ended Phase A - Now in Phase B1 - Mission Adoption at end 2023



A realistic population of MBHBs

How many counterparts do we expect over LISA time mission? (AM+2207.10678)

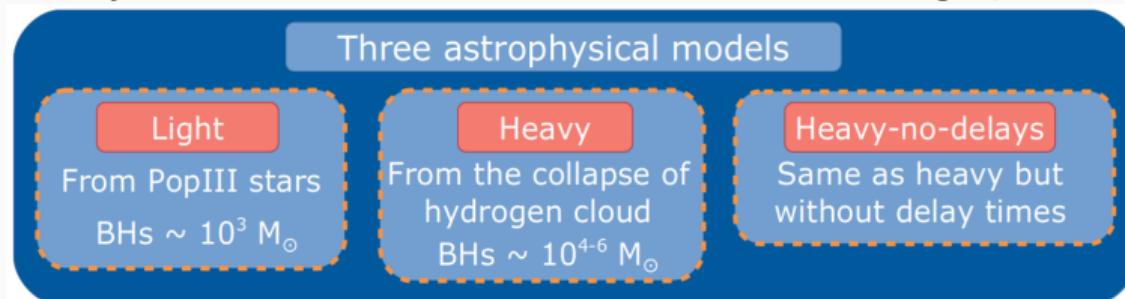
Estimate the number of EM counterparts over LISA time mission
and cosmological parameters

Key improvements respect to previous works

- Improve the modeling of the EM counterpart (Tamanini+16)
- Bayesian parameter estimation for GW signal (Marsat+20) → expensive but realistic

Starting point

Semi-analytical models: tools to construct MBHBs catalogs (Barausse+12)



Modeling the EM emission

Observing strategies

	Radio	X-ray
Optical		
<i>LSST, VRO</i>		
► Identification+redshift	► Only identification	► Only identification
► Deep as $m \sim 27.5$	► Deep as $F \sim 1 \mu\text{Jy}$	► Deep as $F_X \sim 3 \times 10^{-17} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2$
► FOV $\sim 10 \text{ deg}^2$	► FOV $\sim 10 \text{ deg}^2$	► FOV $\sim 0.4 \text{ deg}^2$
	► Redshift with ELT	► Redshift with ELT
	► Flare+Jet emission	► Accretion from catalog or Eddington

Additional variations

AGN obscuration (Ueda+14, Gnedin+07)

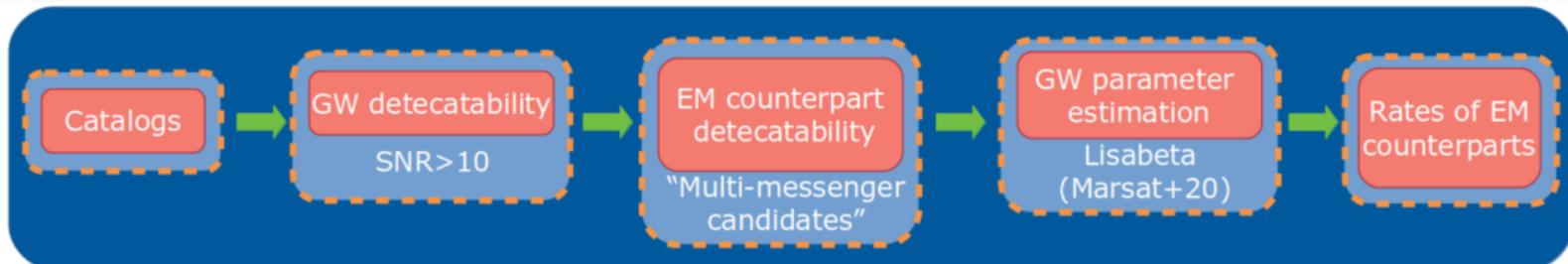
- Affect LSST/VRO and Athena
- Typical hydrogen column density distribution

Radio Jet (Cohen+06)

- Affect SKA
- Assume a jet opening angle of $\sim 30^\circ$ (Yuan+21)

Two main scenarios

Procedure



We focus on two scenarios

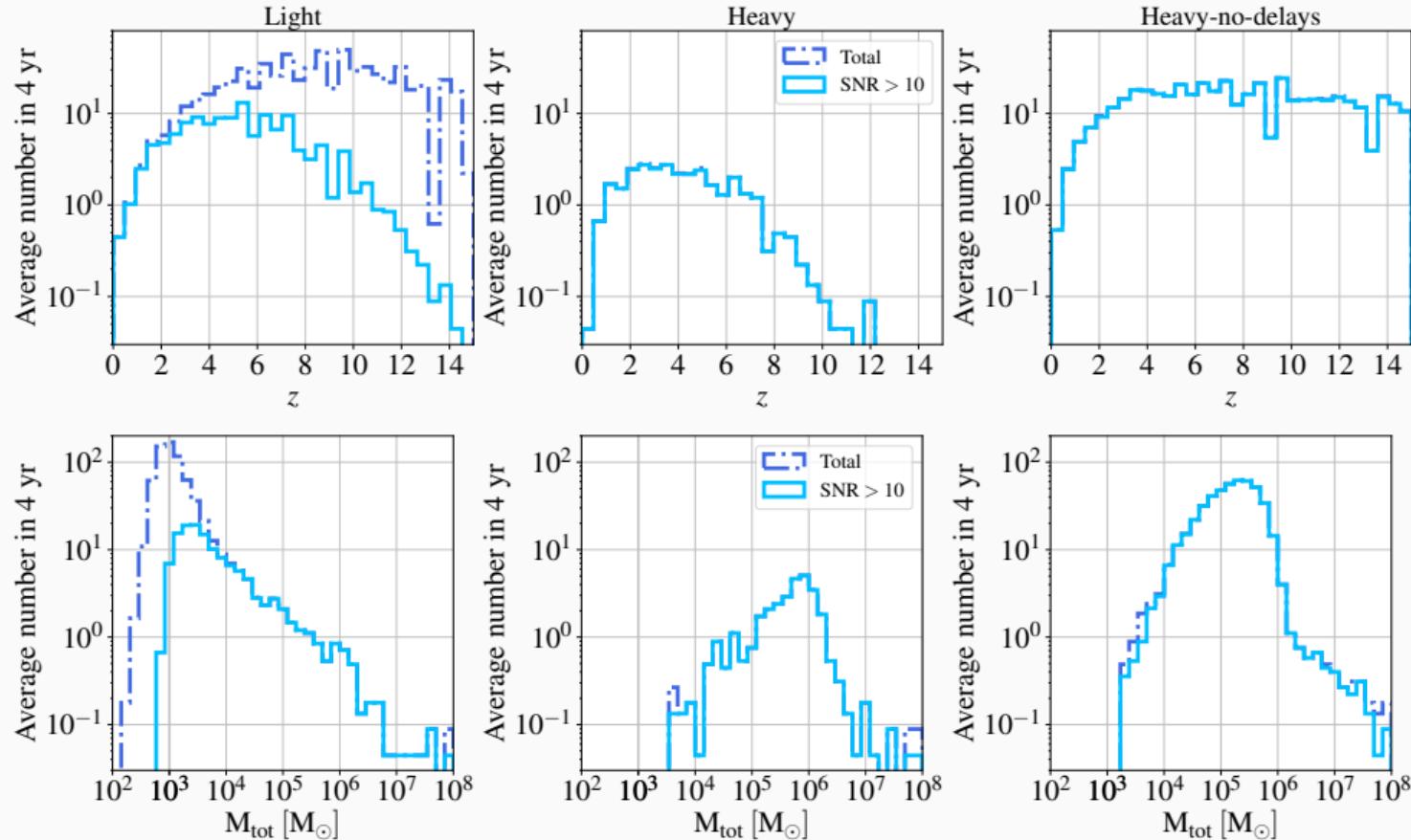
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- AGN obscuration neglected
- Isotropic radio emission
- Eddington accretion for X-ray emission

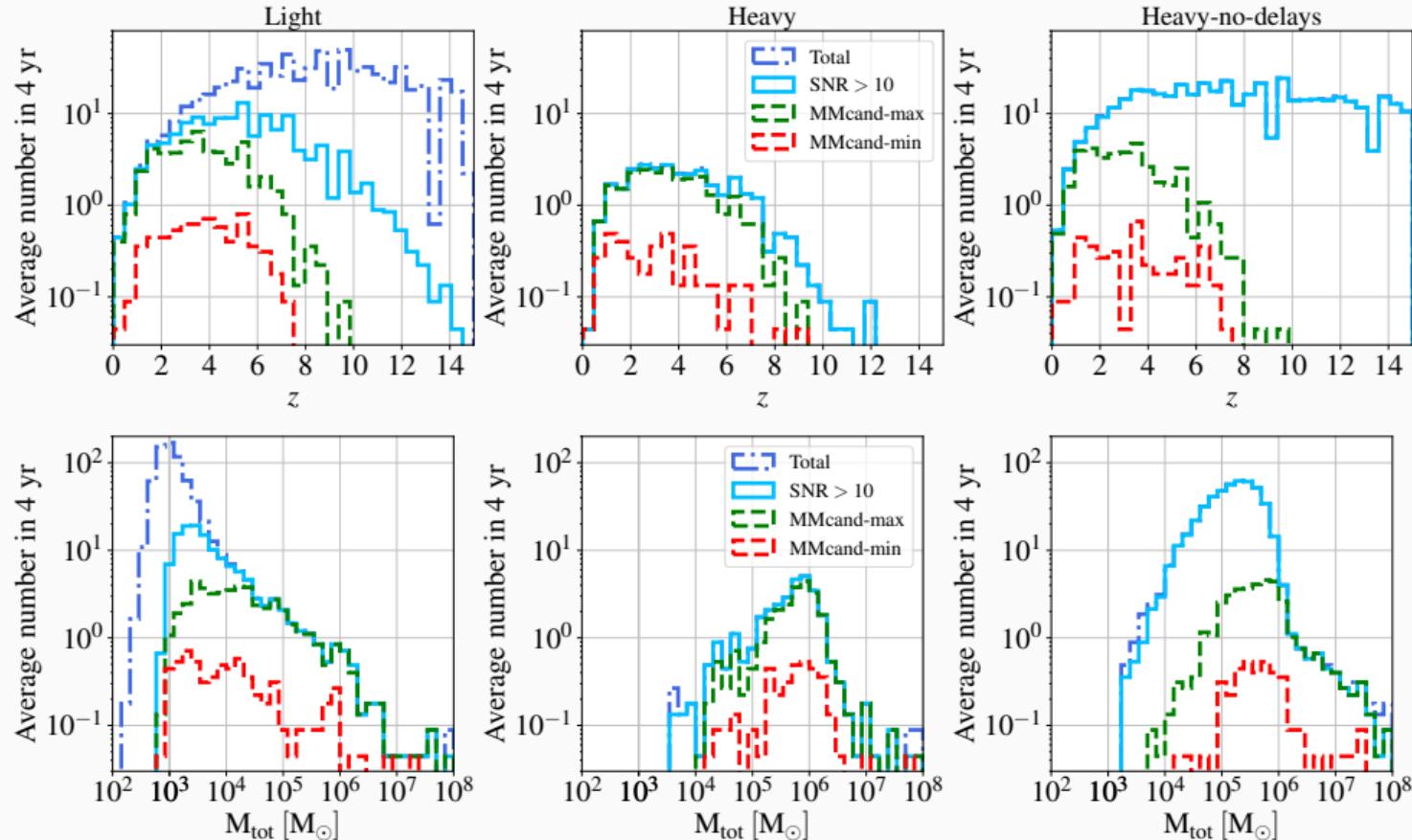
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- AGN obscuration included
- Collimated radio emission with $\theta \sim 30^\circ$
- Catalog accretion for X-ray emission

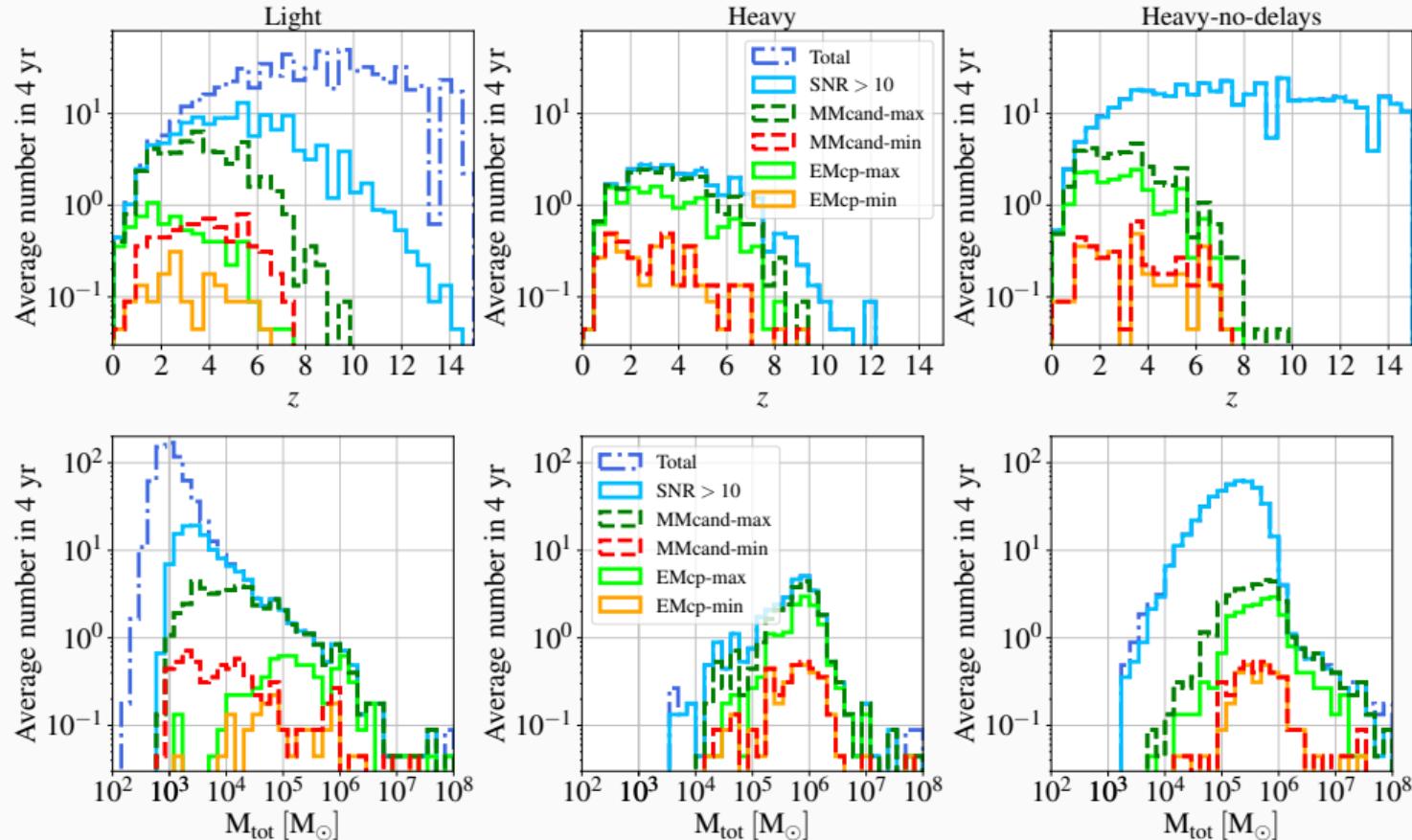
Redshift and total mass distributions



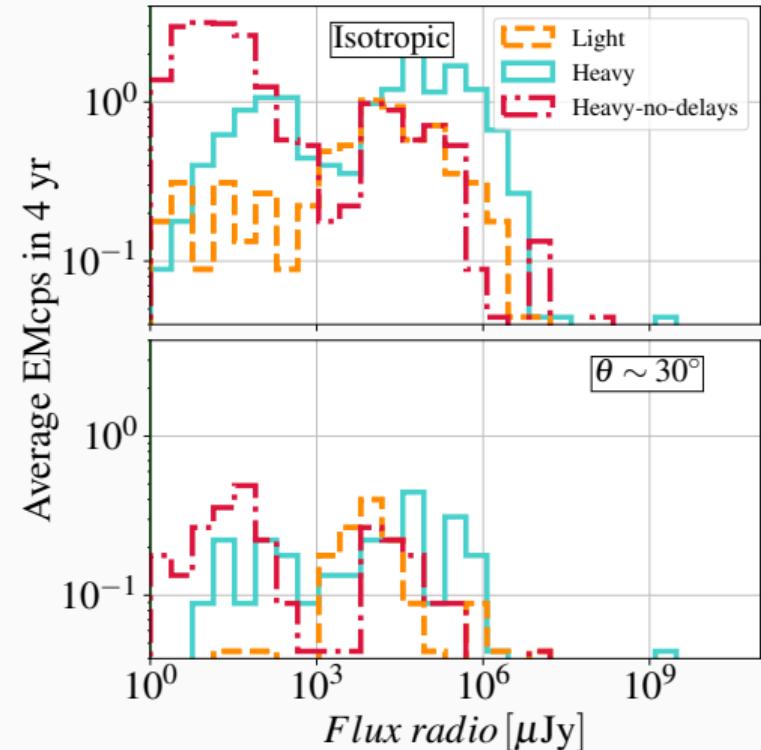
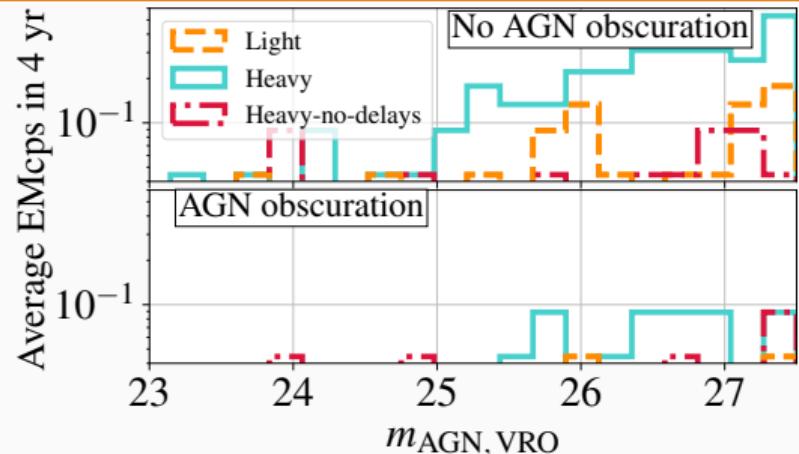
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EMcps in optical, X-ray and radio



Only few and faint sources in 4 yr

EMcp rates in 4 yr

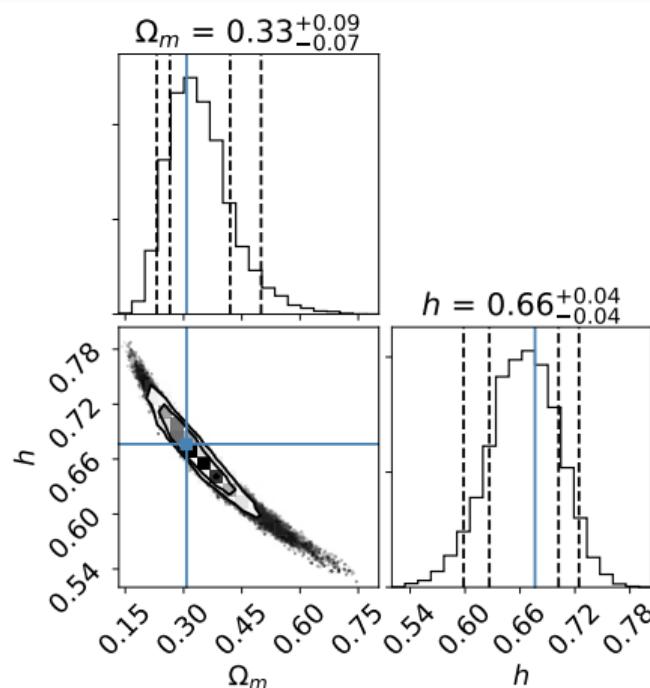
(In 4 yr)	LSST, VRO	SKA+ELT			Athena+ELT		
		Isotropic	$\theta \sim 30^\circ$	$\theta \sim 6^\circ$	Catalog $F_{X, \text{lim}} = 4\text{e-}17$	Eddington $F_{X, \text{lim}} = 4\text{e-}17$	
		$\Delta\Omega = 10 \text{ deg}^2$			$\Delta\Omega = 0.4 \text{ deg}^2$	$\Delta\Omega = 0.4 \text{ deg}^2$	
No-obs.	0.84	6.8	1.51	0.04	0.49	1.02	Light
	3.07	14.9	2.71	0.04	2.67	3.87	Heavy
	0.53	20.6	3.2	0.04	0.58	4.4	Heavy-no-delays
Obsc.	0.27	6.8	1.51	0.04	0.04	0.37	Light
	0.84	14.9	2.71	0.04	0.22	0.18	Heavy
	0.22	20.6	3.2	0.04	0.09	0.4	Heavy-no-delays

- Dramatic decrease with obscuration and radio jet
- Parameter estimation selects preferentially *heavy*

(In 4 yr)	Maximising	Minimising
Light	6.8	1.7
Heavy	14.9	3.4
Heavy-no-delays	20.9	3.4

Cosmology applications

Combine the luminosity distance and redshift uncertainty to constrain cosmological parameters (still preliminary)



No instruments will provide estimates at high redshift (+ no calibration errors)

H_0 can be constrained to few percent
Larger uncertainties on Ω_m

Conclusions

Estimating the number of counterpart for MBHB mergers in LISA

- Most sources are faint
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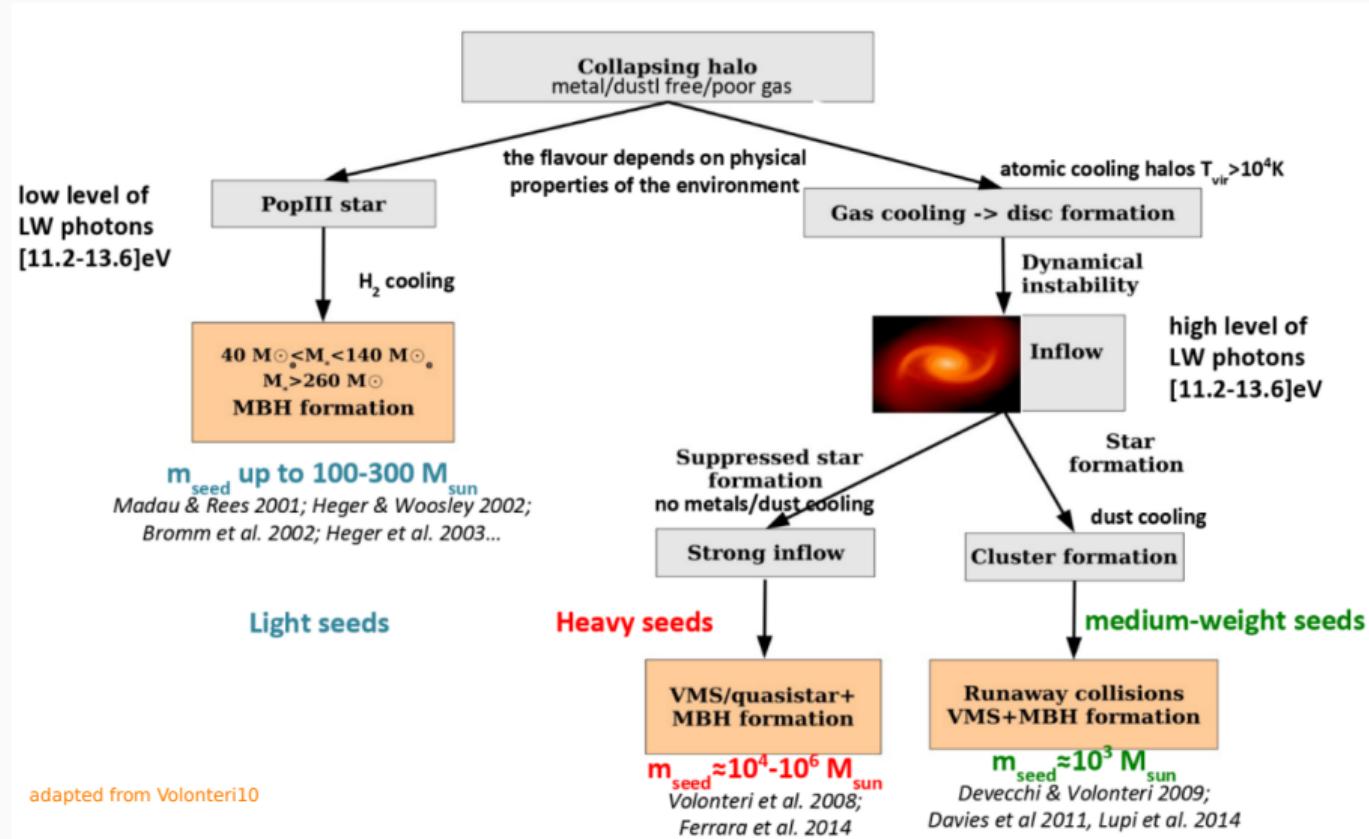
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Thanks! Any questions?

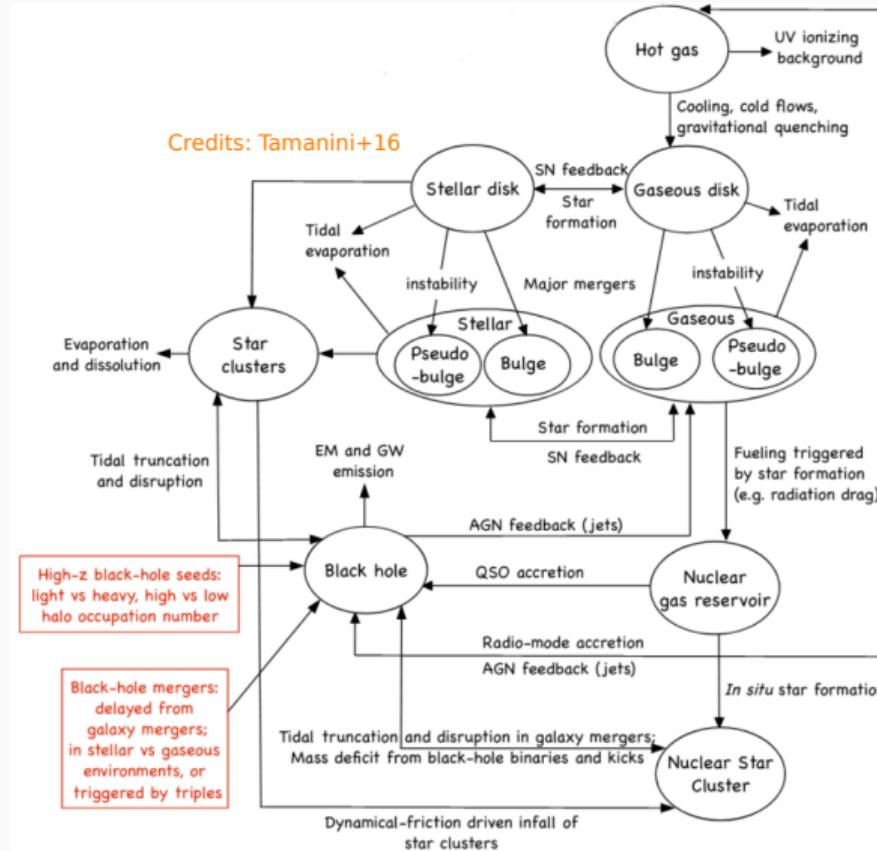
Backup slides

Seed BHs formation channels



adapted from Volonteri10

The physics of the semi-analytical model

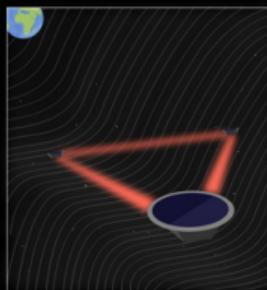


Multi-messenger in practice

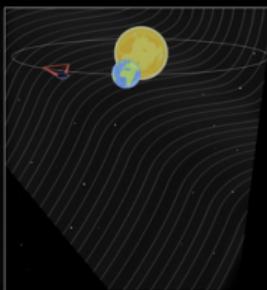


→ HOW CAN LISA AND ATHENA WORK TOGETHER?

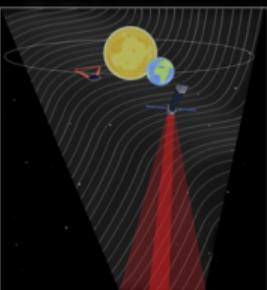
About 1 month before 2 weeks before 1 week to several hours before A few hours before During and after the merger



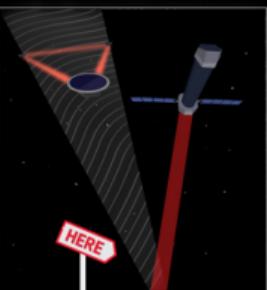
LISA detects gravitational waves from **supermassive black holes** spiralling towards each other and calculates the date and time of the final merger, but the position in the sky is unknown



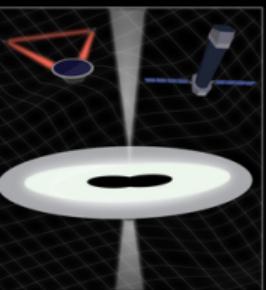
As the inspiral phase progresses, the gravitational wave signal gets stronger; meanwhile, LISA collects more data as it moves along its orbit, providing a **better localisation** of the source in the sky



LISA indicates a **fairly large patch in the sky** (around 10 square degrees) where the source is located, so that Athena can start scanning this region to look for the source with its Wide Field Imager (WFI)

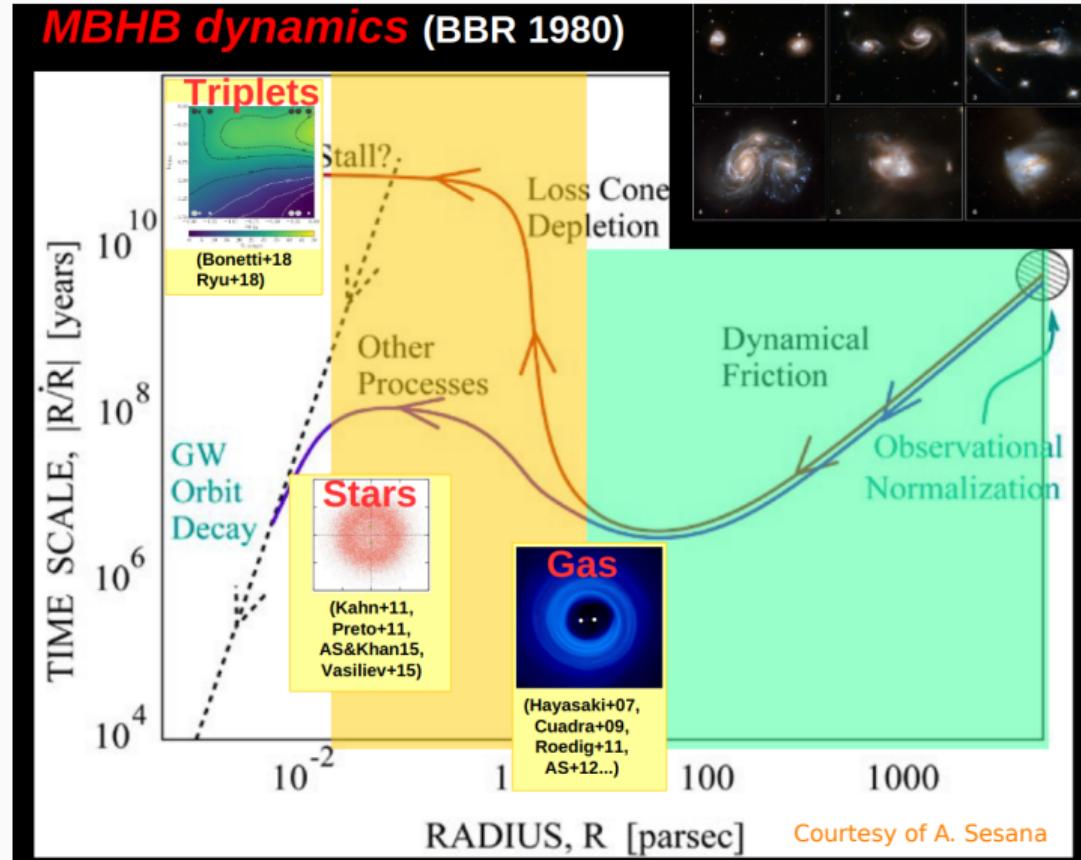


LISA locates the source to within a **smaller portion of sky**, roughly equal to the size of the Athena WFI field of view (0.4 square degrees); Athena stops scanning, and starts staring at the most likely position of the source, witnessing the final inspiral and merger of the black holes



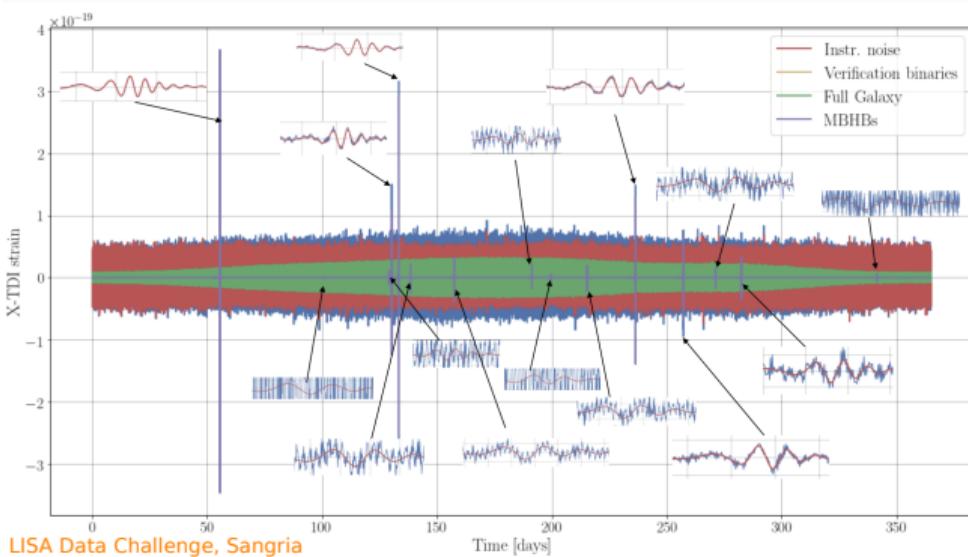
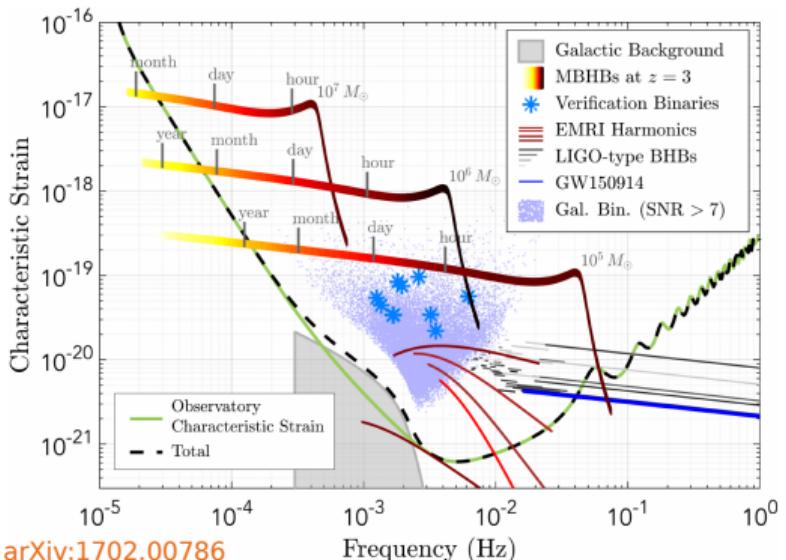
While LISA detects the **gravitational wave 'chirp'**, Athena can observe any associated **X-ray emission** and might witness the onset of **relativistic jets**: if this happens, Athena and LISA may witness the birth of a new 'active galaxy'

Last parsec problem



GW sources in LISA band

- Strong and long-lasting signals
- Strong overlap between signals from different sources → Global fit approach
- Unexplored parameter space → Large uncertainty on rate & sources' properties



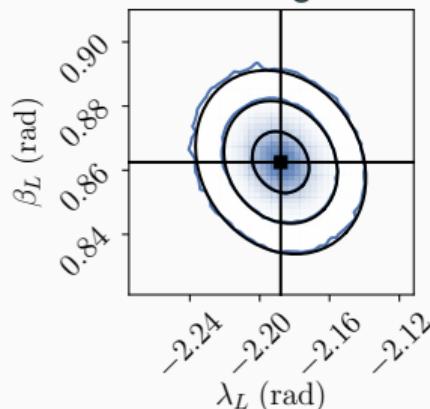
GW analysis

Number of detected events in 4 yr

	Total catalog	SNR > 10
Light	690.9	129.3
Heavy	30.7	30.4
Heavy-no-delays	475.5	471.1

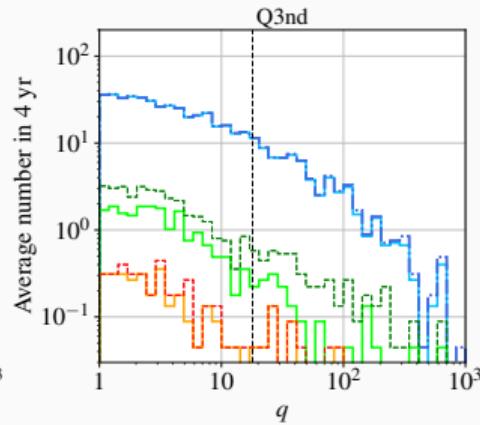
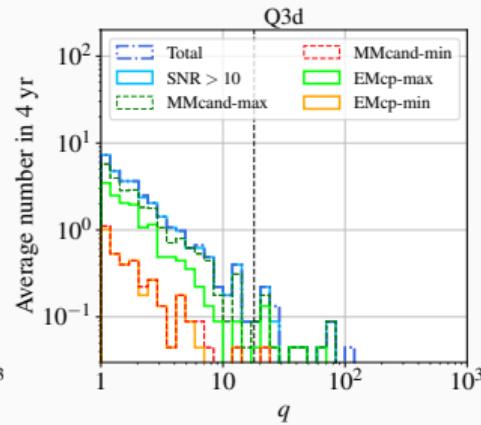
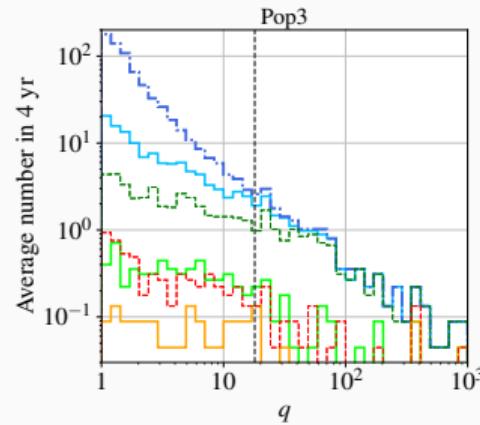
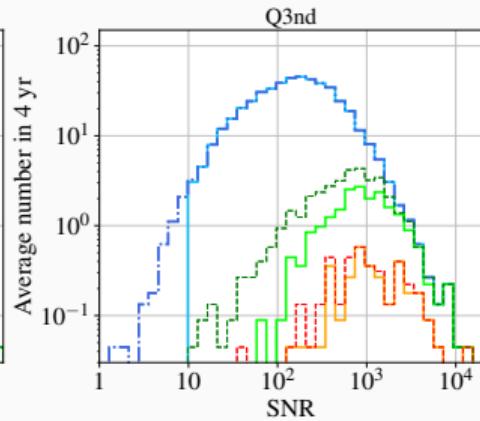
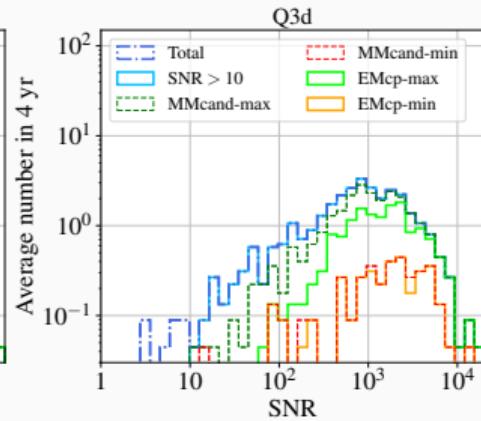
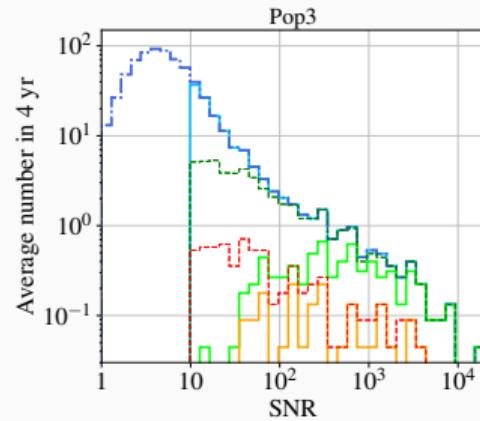
GW parameter estimation

For multimessenger candidates, we use *lisabeta* (Marsat+2021) for parameter estimation

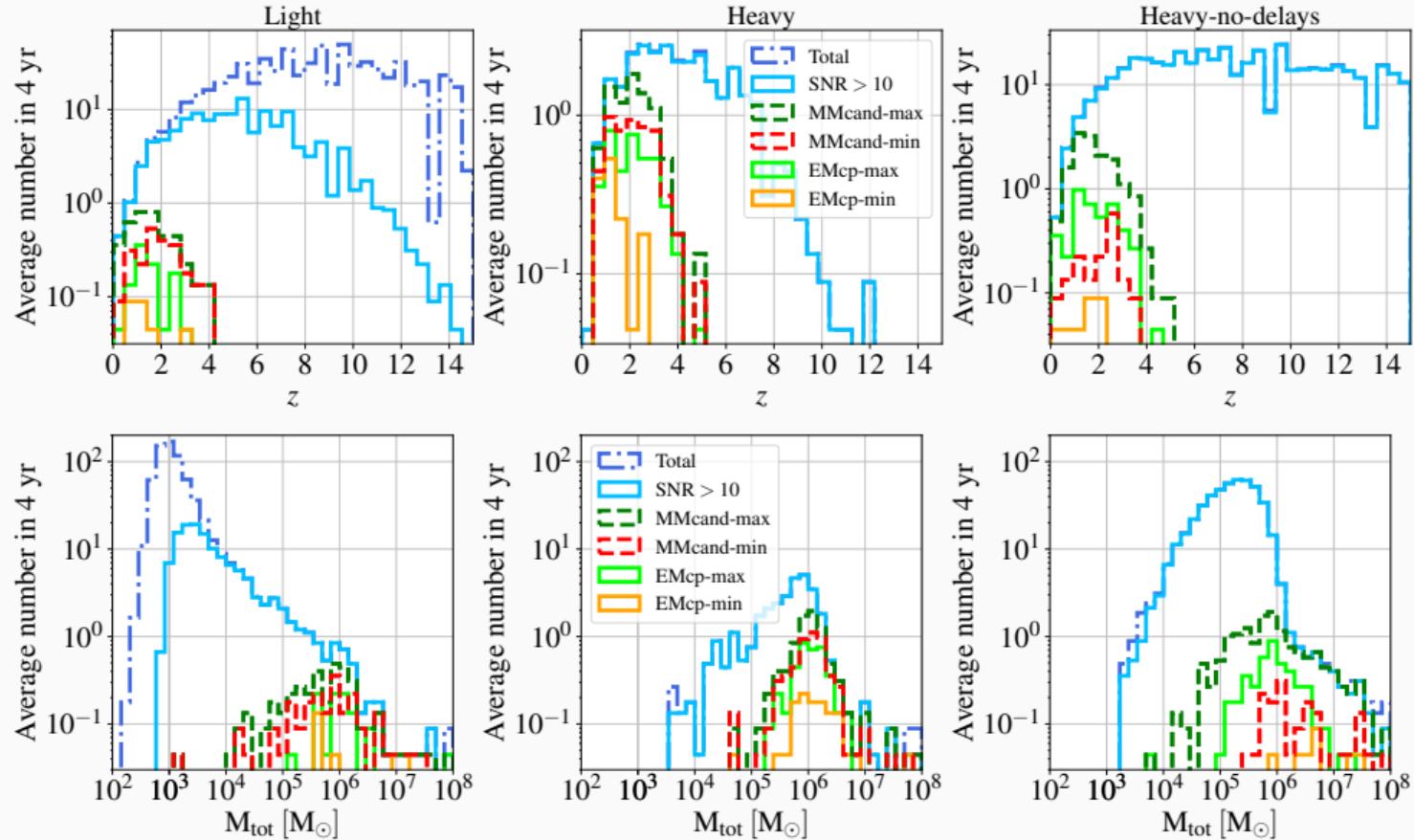


- MCMC formalism
- Include both low- and high-frequency LISA response
- Tested with independent codes

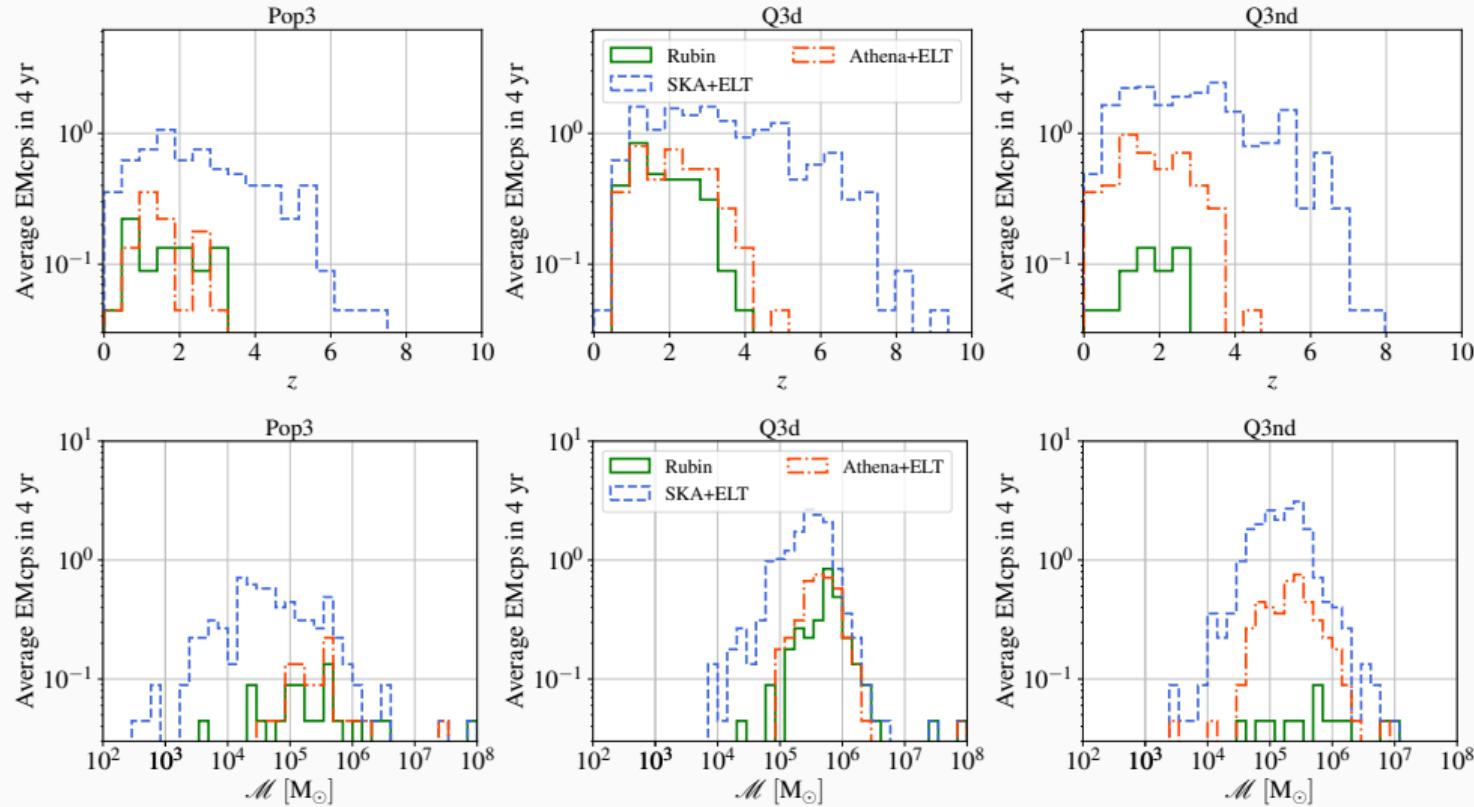
SNR and mass ratio distributions



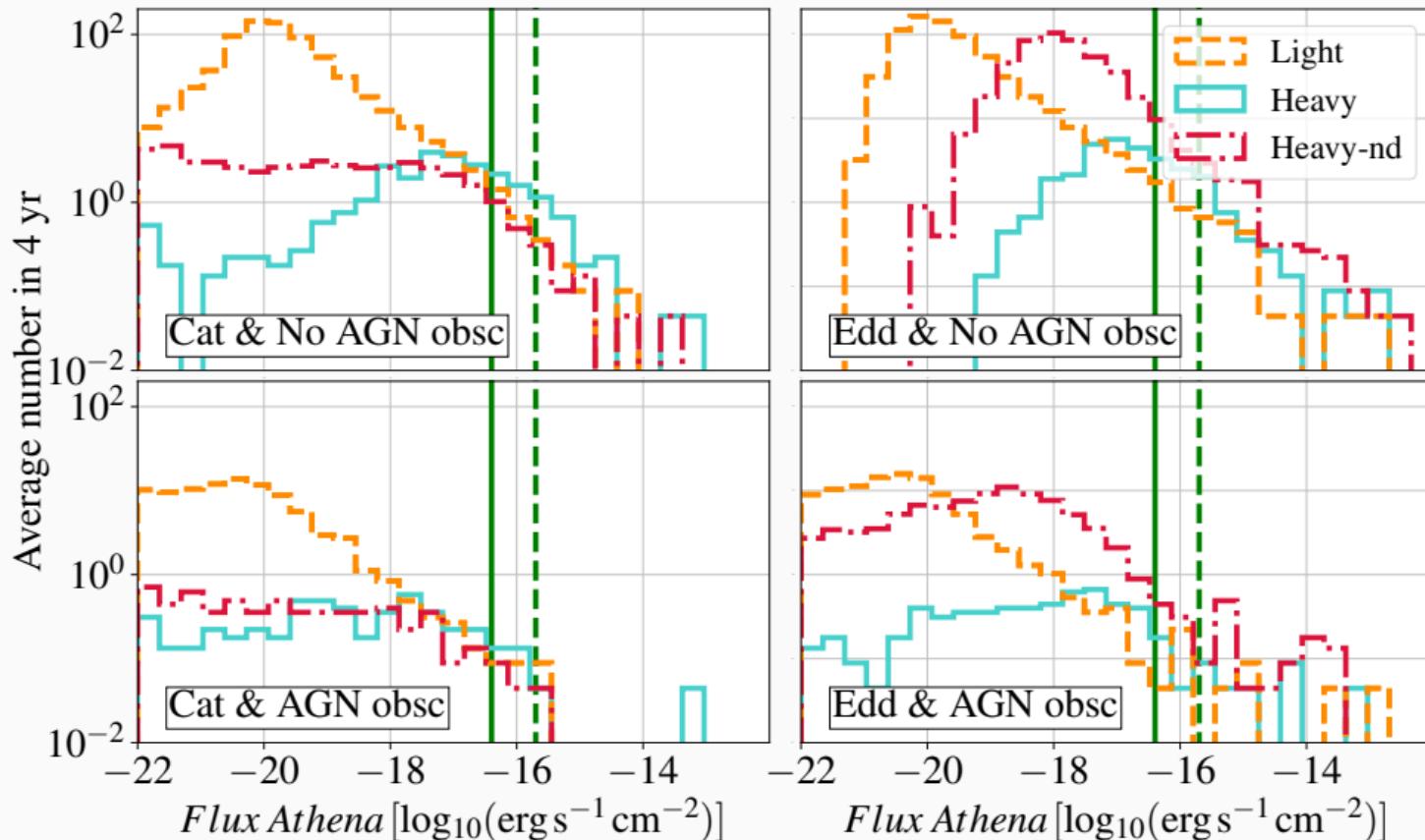
Redshift and total mass distributions for Athena



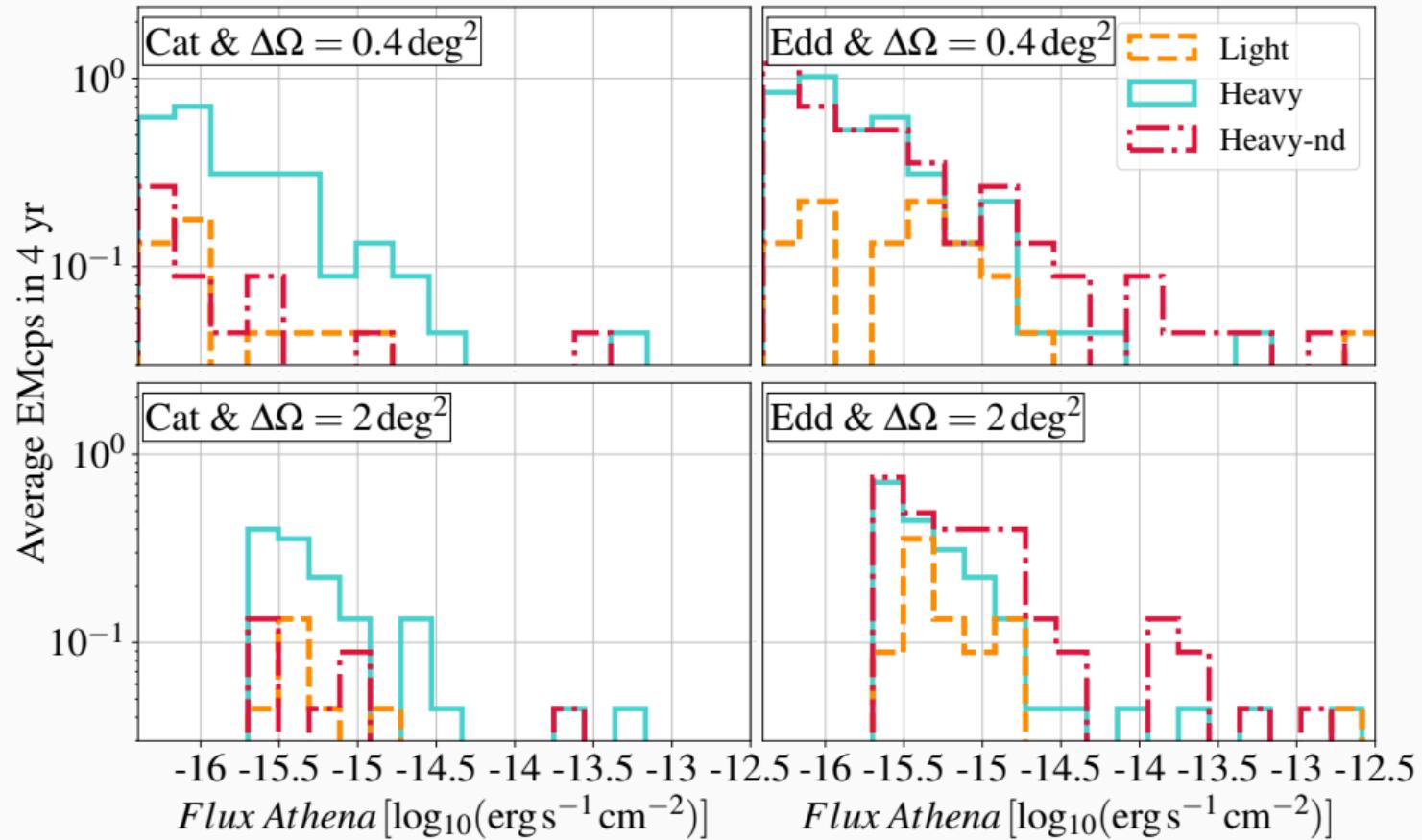
Redshift and total mass distributions for each strategy



Distribution of X-ray fluxes

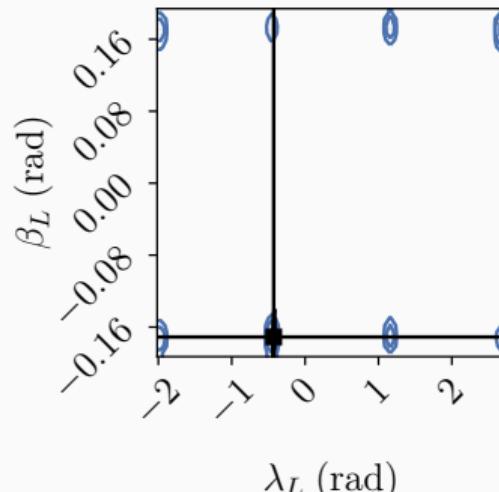
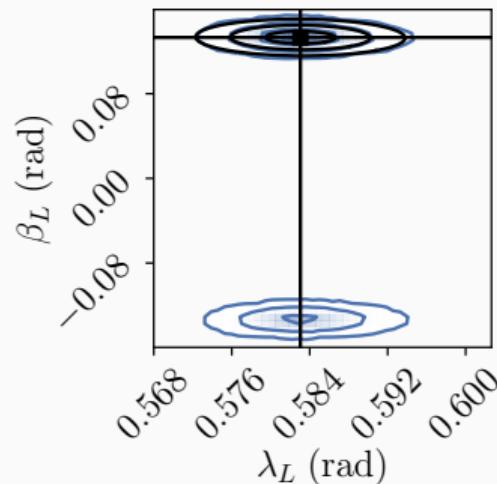
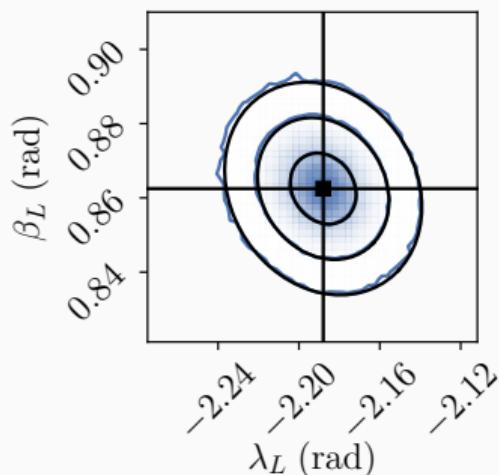


EMcps in X-ray (No obscuration) with Athena



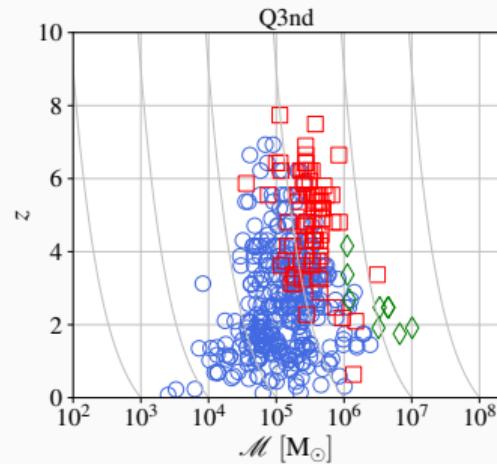
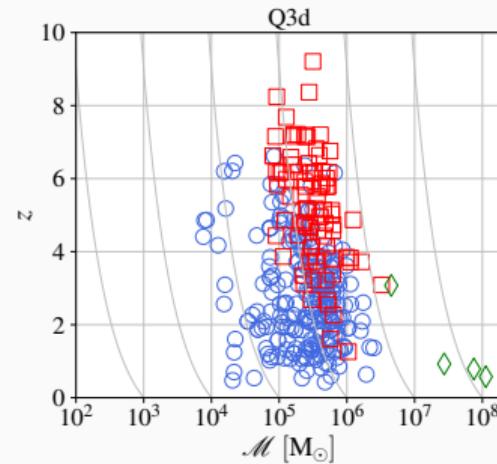
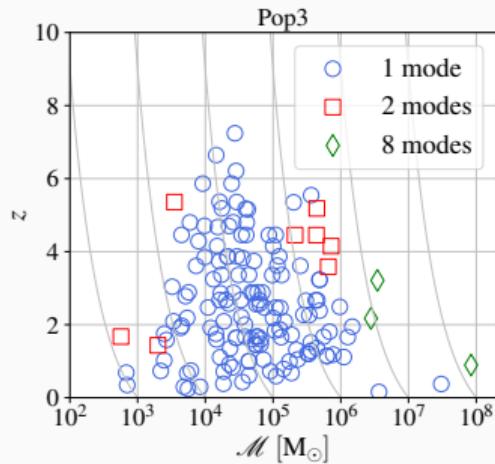
“Multimodal” LISA events

Systems with multimodal sky posterior distribution from LISA data analysis



- Arise from LISA degeneracy pattern function
- Might pose issues for the search of the EM counterpart + problematic also for the dark sirens approach

Multimodal events

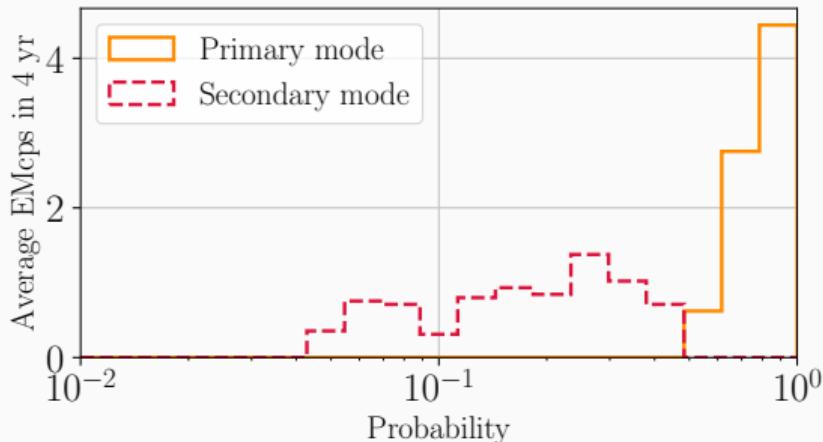


- 1mode systems are the vast majority
- 2mode systems appear at high mass and high redshift
- Still large spread across sub-populations

What about multimodal events?

Focus only on the true binary spot

Modes probability



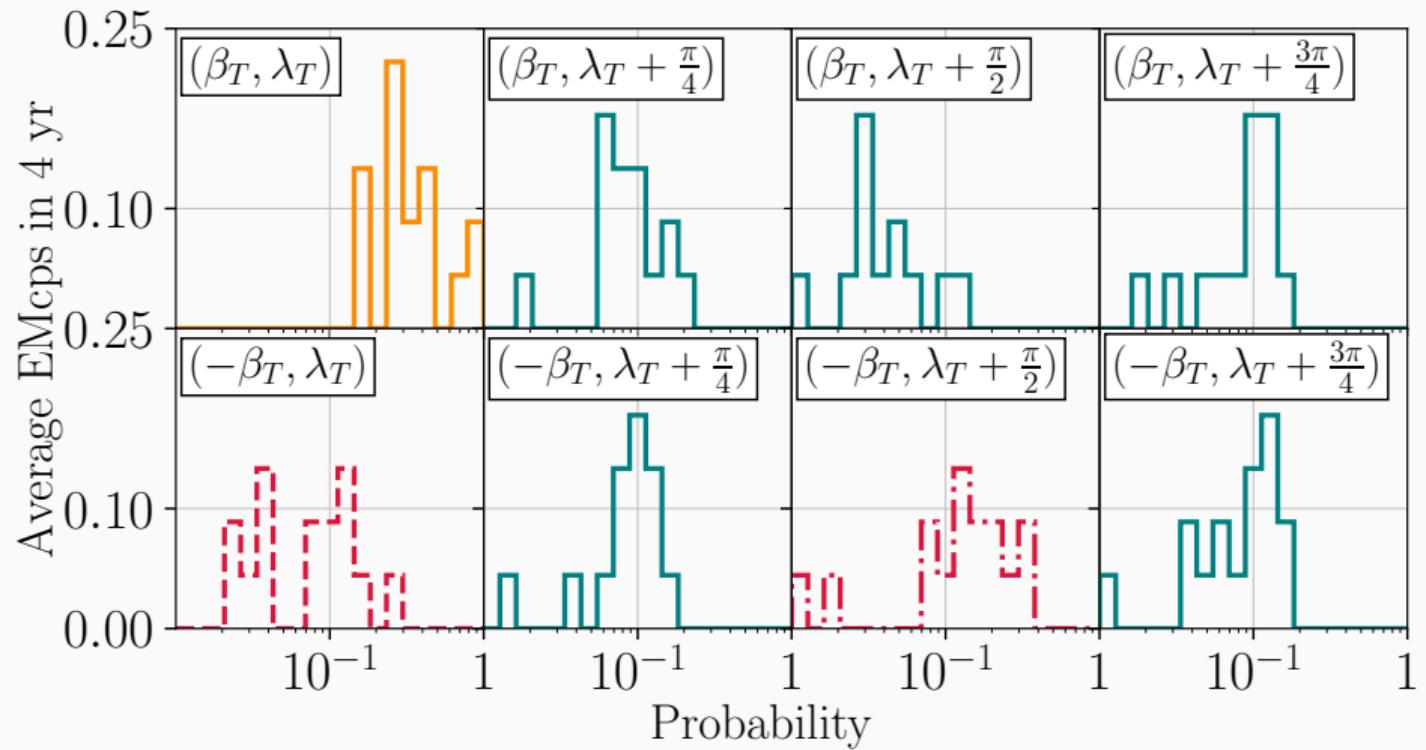
Contribution to the expected rate in 4 yr

	1mode	2modes	8modes
Light	6.3	0.36	0.13
Heavy	10.7	3.9	0.2
Heavy-nd	16.4	3.5	0.4

- ▶ 2modes have always one mode more probable than the other
- ▶ 8modes provides < 1 counterparts in the entire mission

Multimodal events does not affect (significantly) counterpart estimates

Probability for 8modes systems



Luminosity distance and redshift estimates

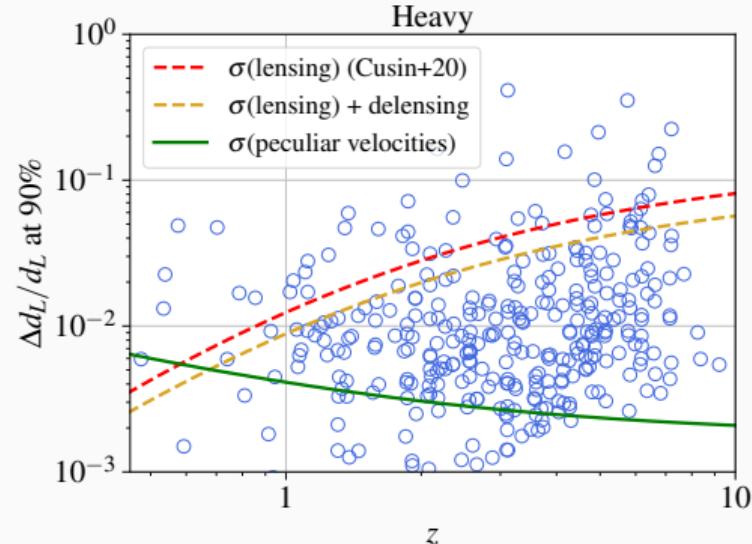
Luminosity distance

- Accurate estimate of luminosity distance $\rightarrow \frac{\Delta d_L}{d_L} < 10\%$
- Lensing relevant for $z \gtrsim 2 - 3$
- Peculiar velocities are negligible

Redshift measurements

LSST/VRO

Photometric measurements with
 $\Delta z = 0.03(1 + z)$ (*Laigle + 19*)



ELT

	$m_{\text{ELT}} < 27.2$	$27.2 < m_{\text{ELT}} < 31.3$
$z < 0.5$		No z measure
$0.5 < z < 5$	$\Delta z = 10^{-3}$	$\Delta z = 0.5$
$z > 5$		$\Delta z = 0.2$

Galaxies in LISA error boxes

