

BAYESIAN INFERENCE FOR LISA DATA ANALYSIS

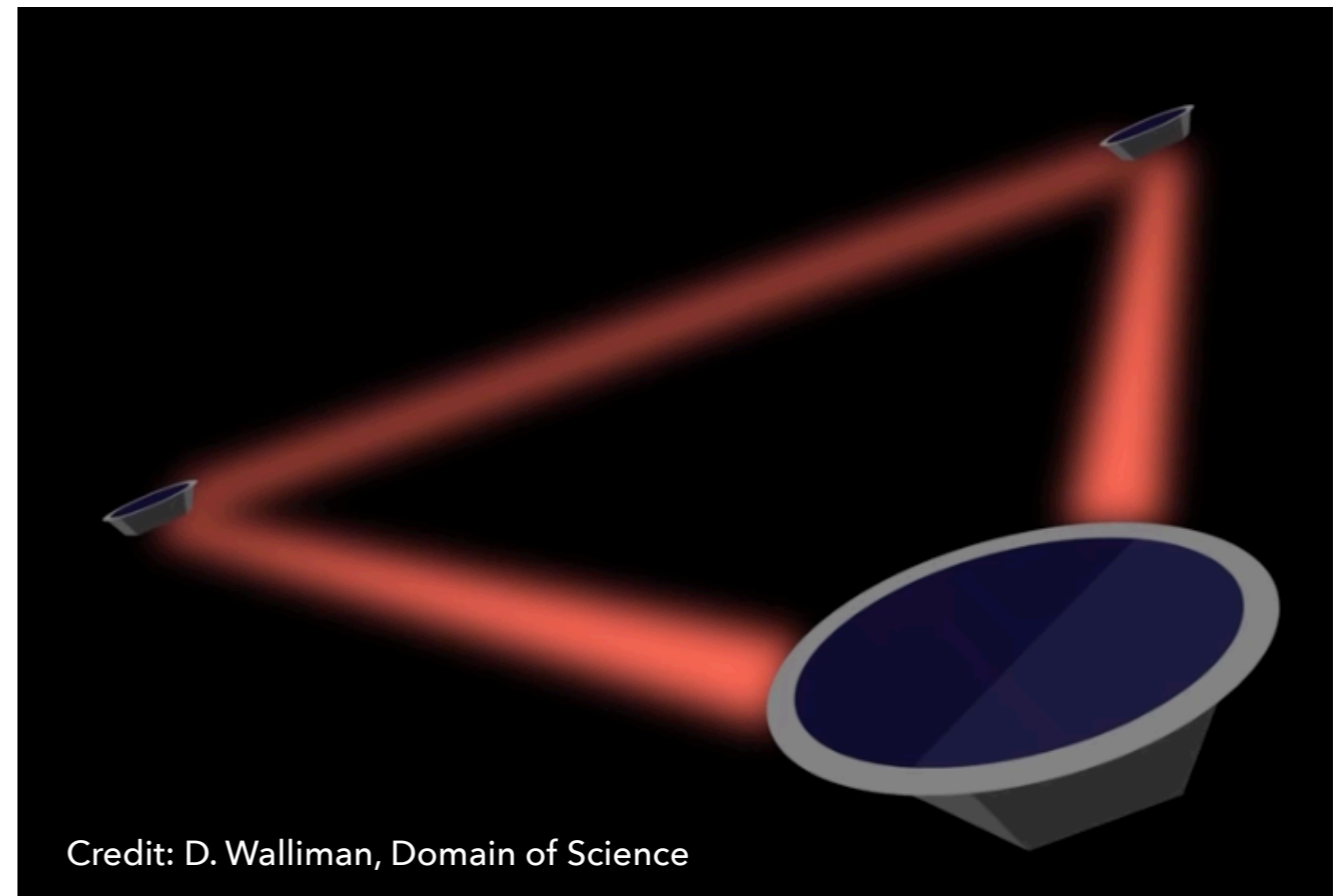
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Rencontre du groupe de travail "méthodes d'analyse des données" du GdR oG



1. Challenges of LISA data analysis
2. Overview of used Bayesian concepts
3. Towards the future







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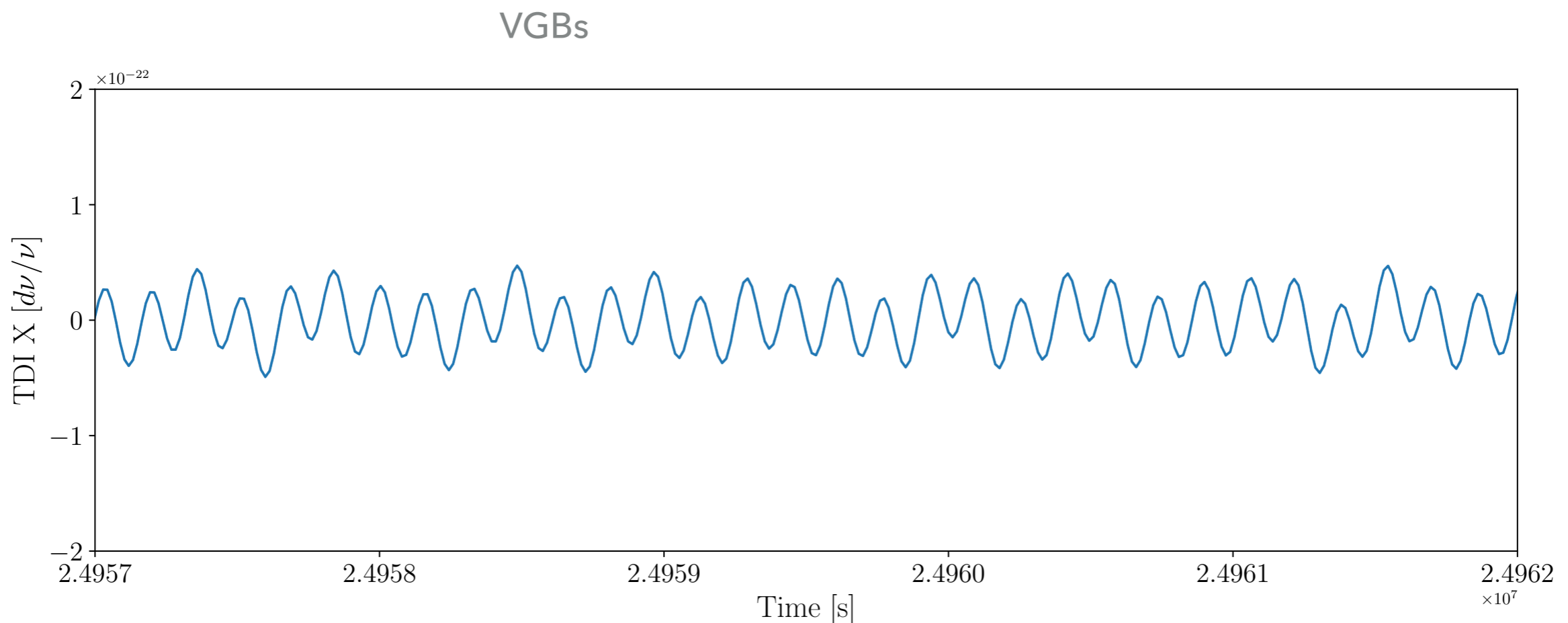
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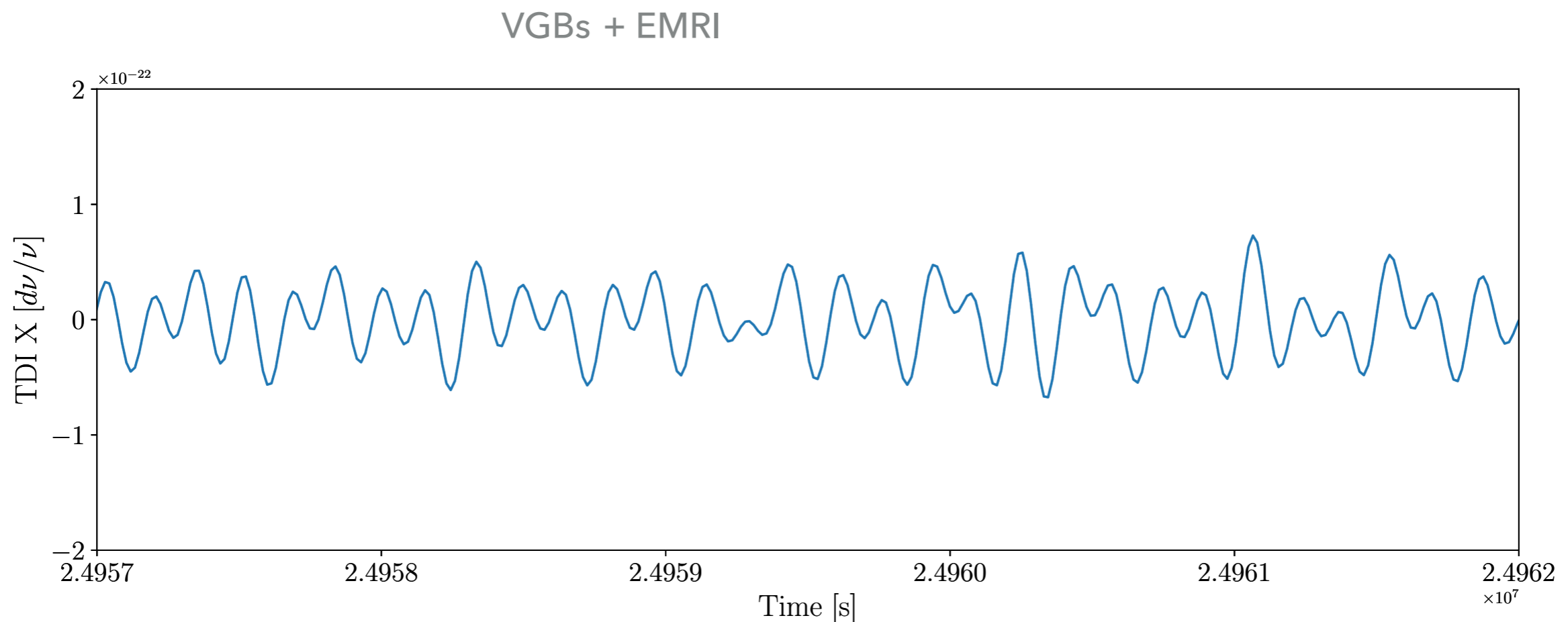


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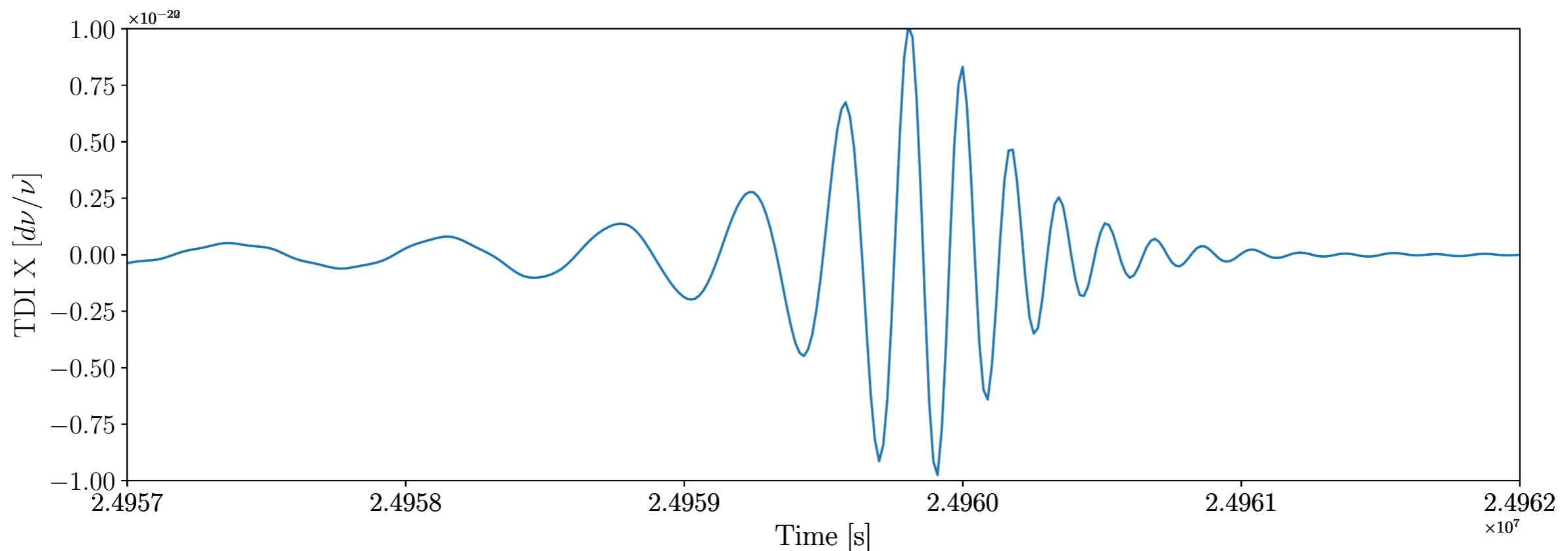


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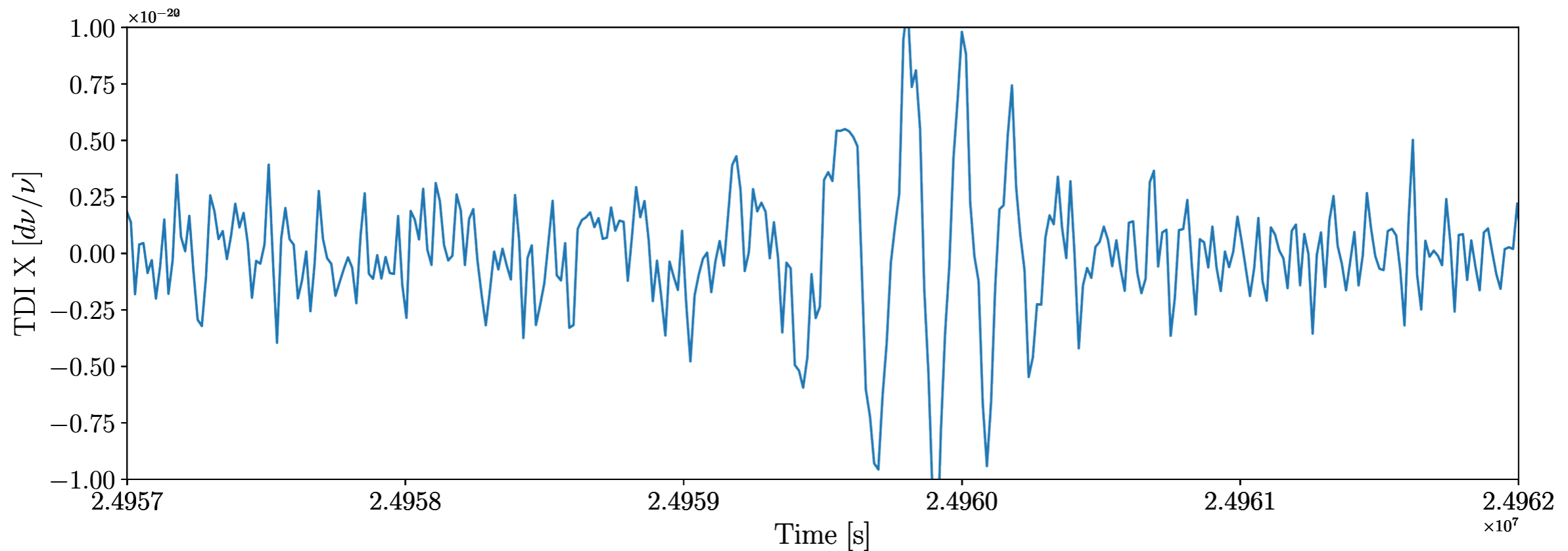
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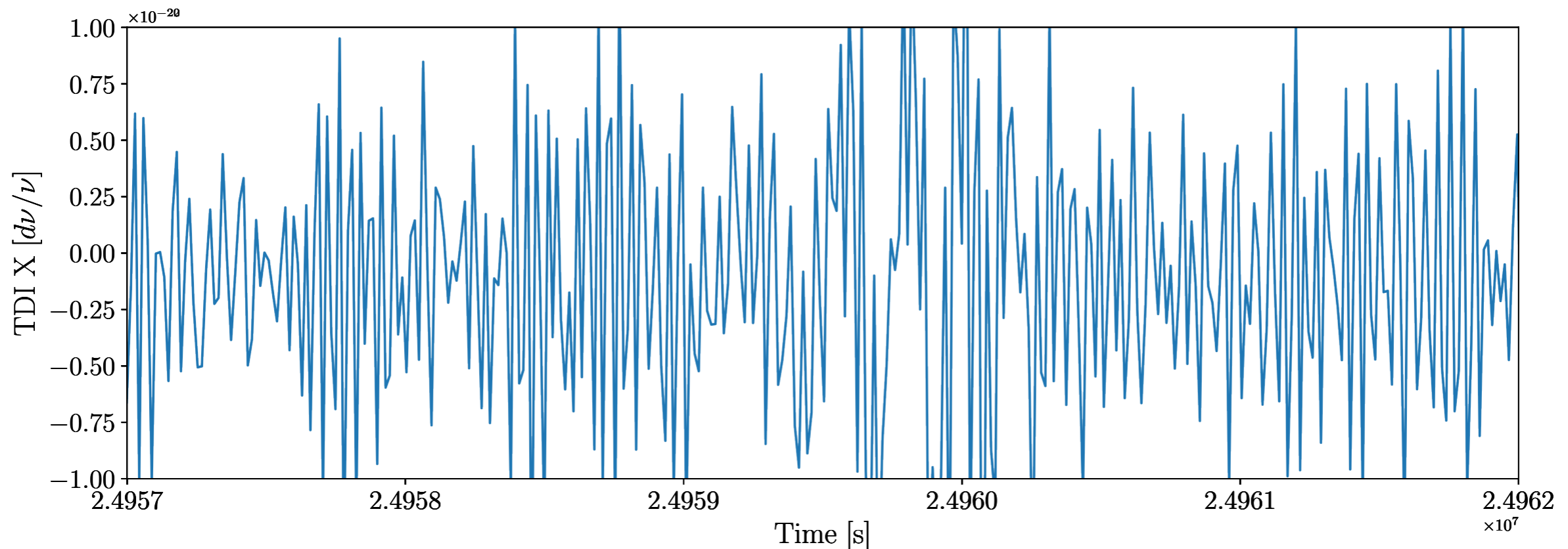
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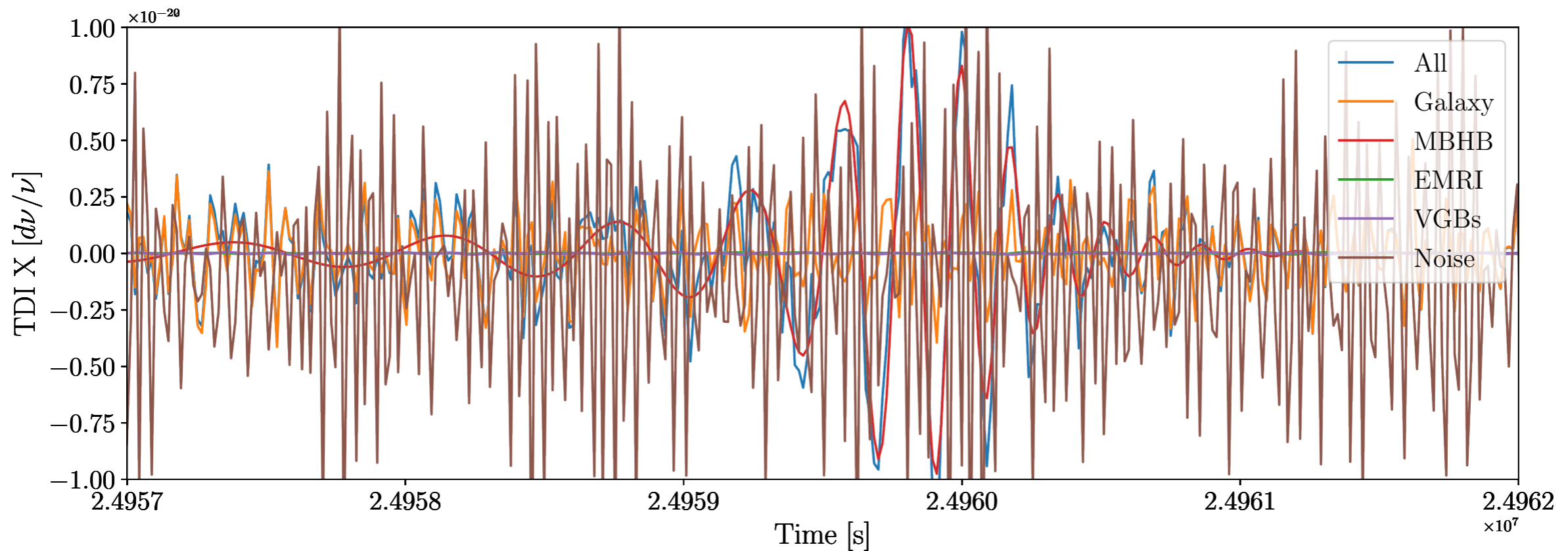
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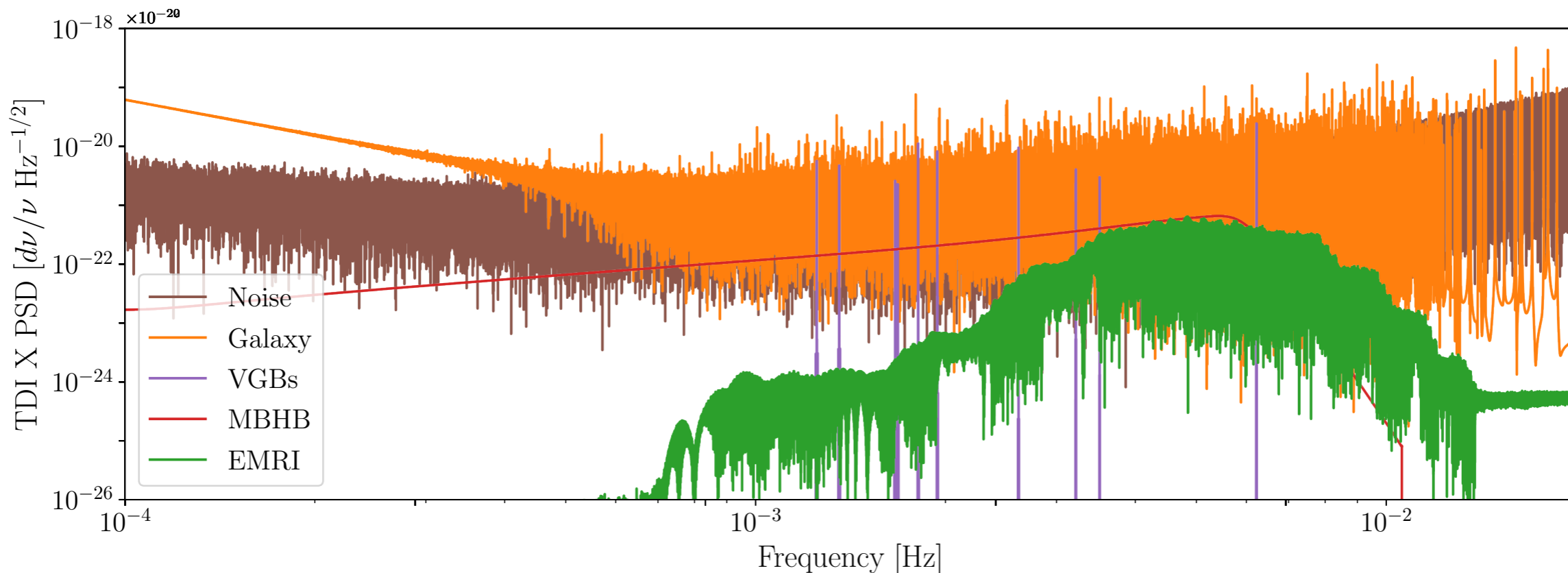
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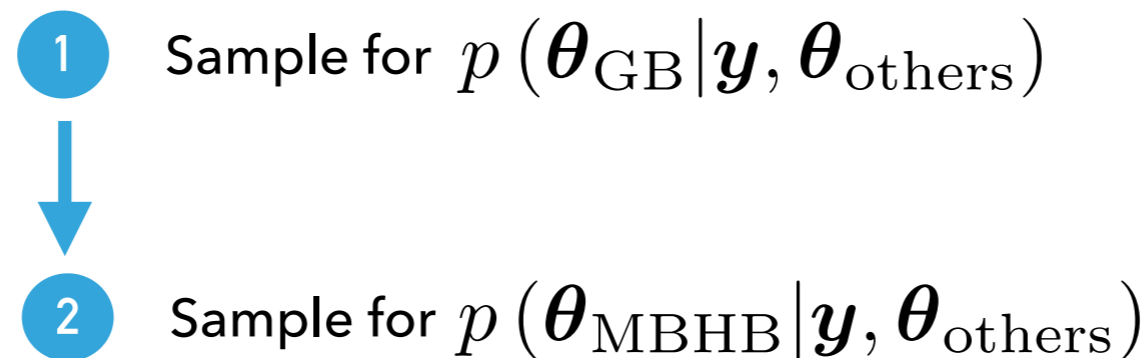
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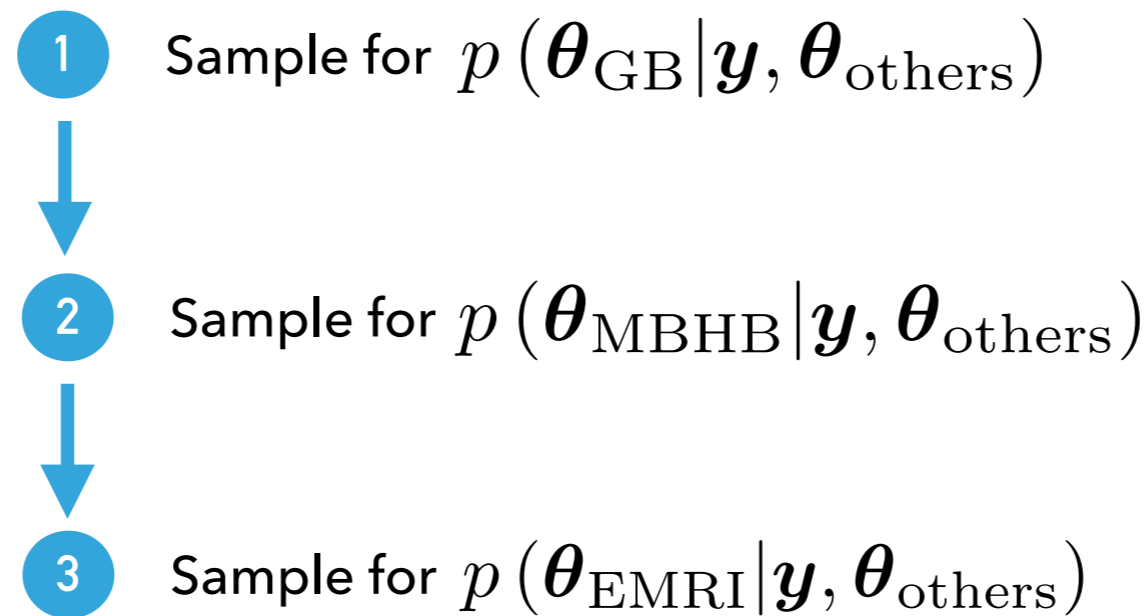
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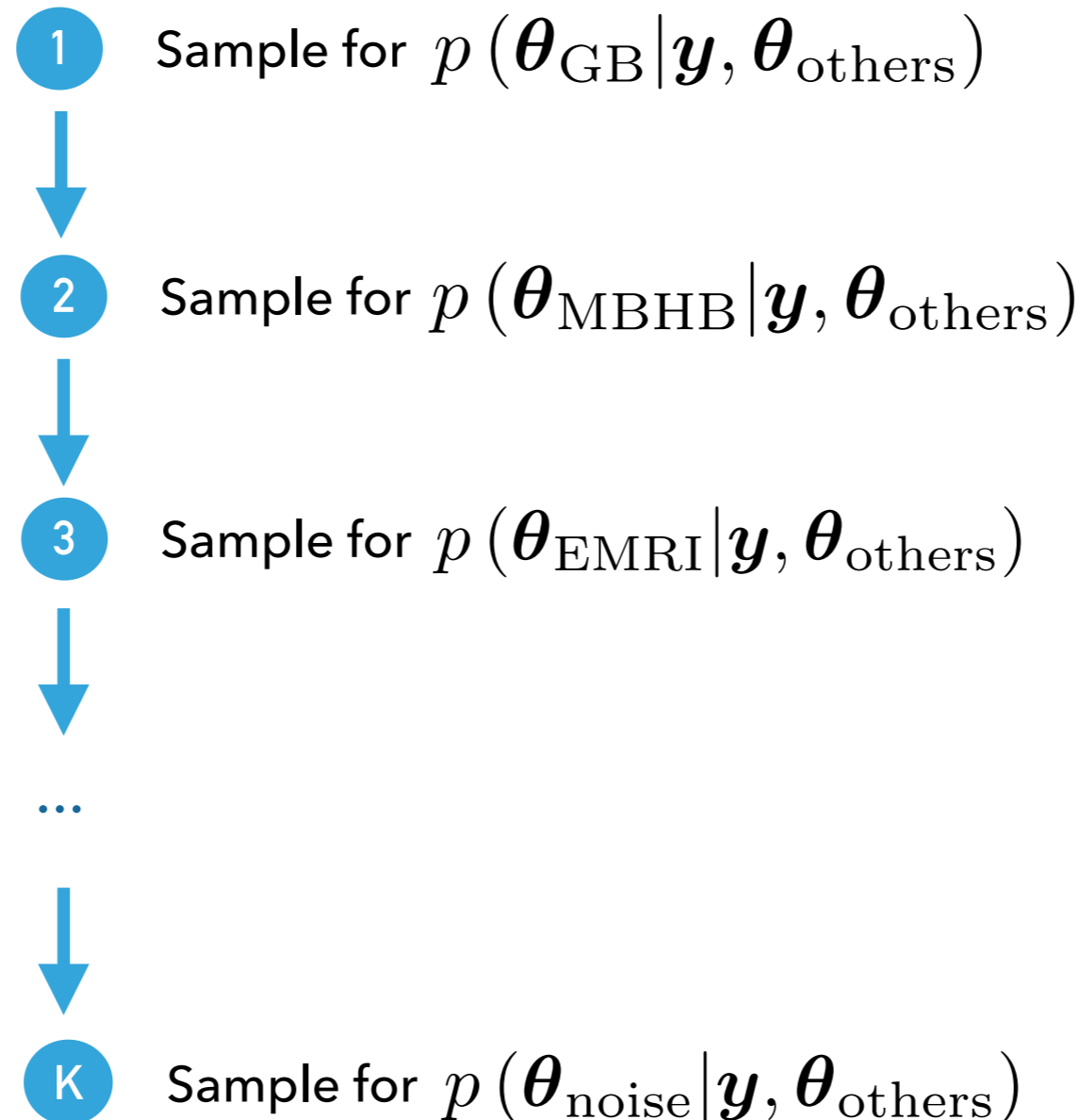
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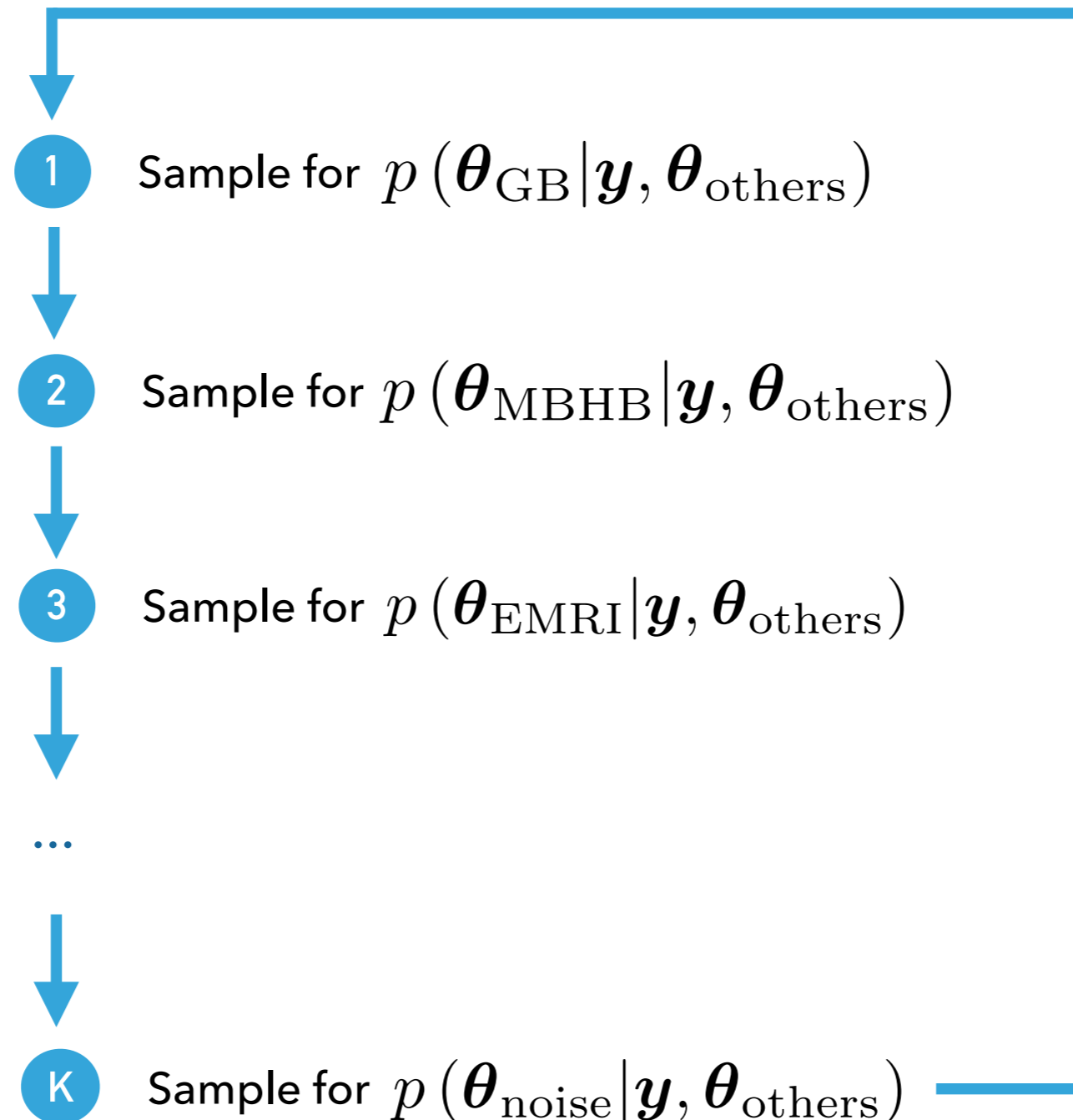
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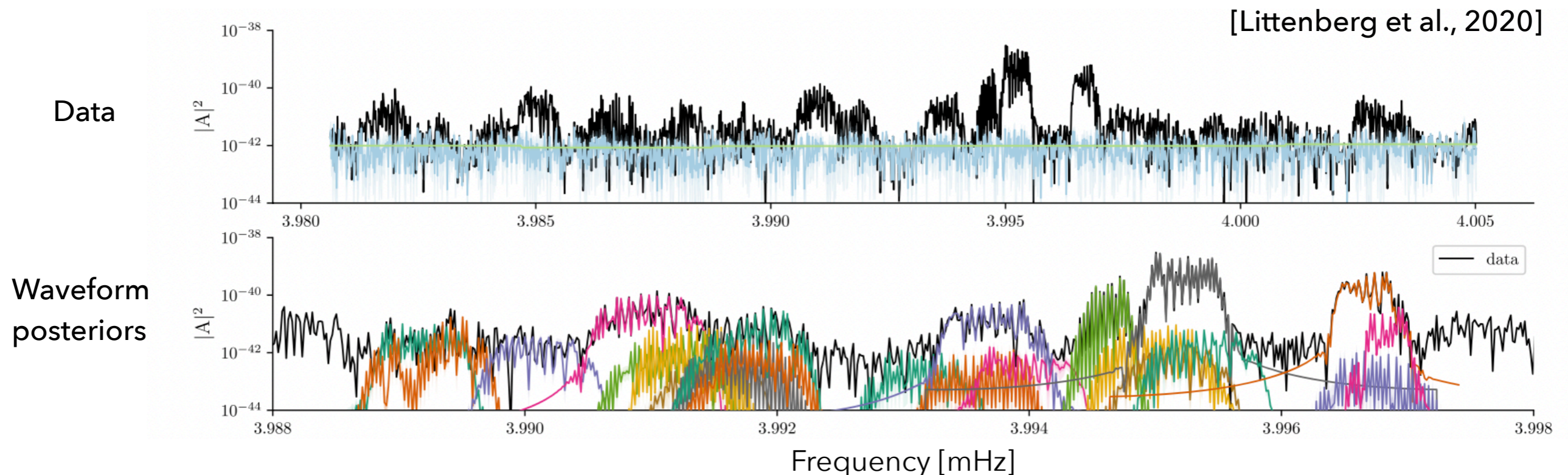
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- ▶ The number of overlapping sources (especially Galactic binaries) is not known in advance
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- ▶ Algorithm: reverse-jump Markov-chain Monte Carlo (RJMCMC)
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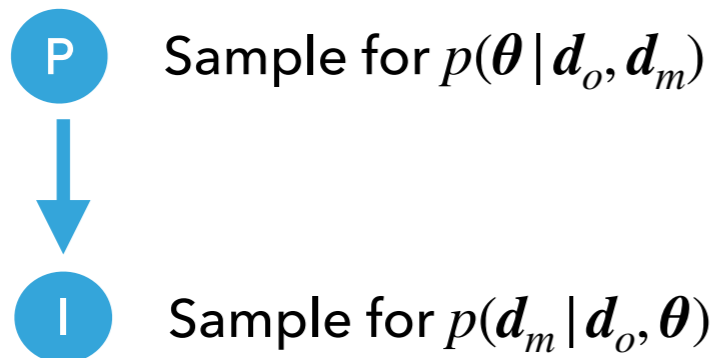
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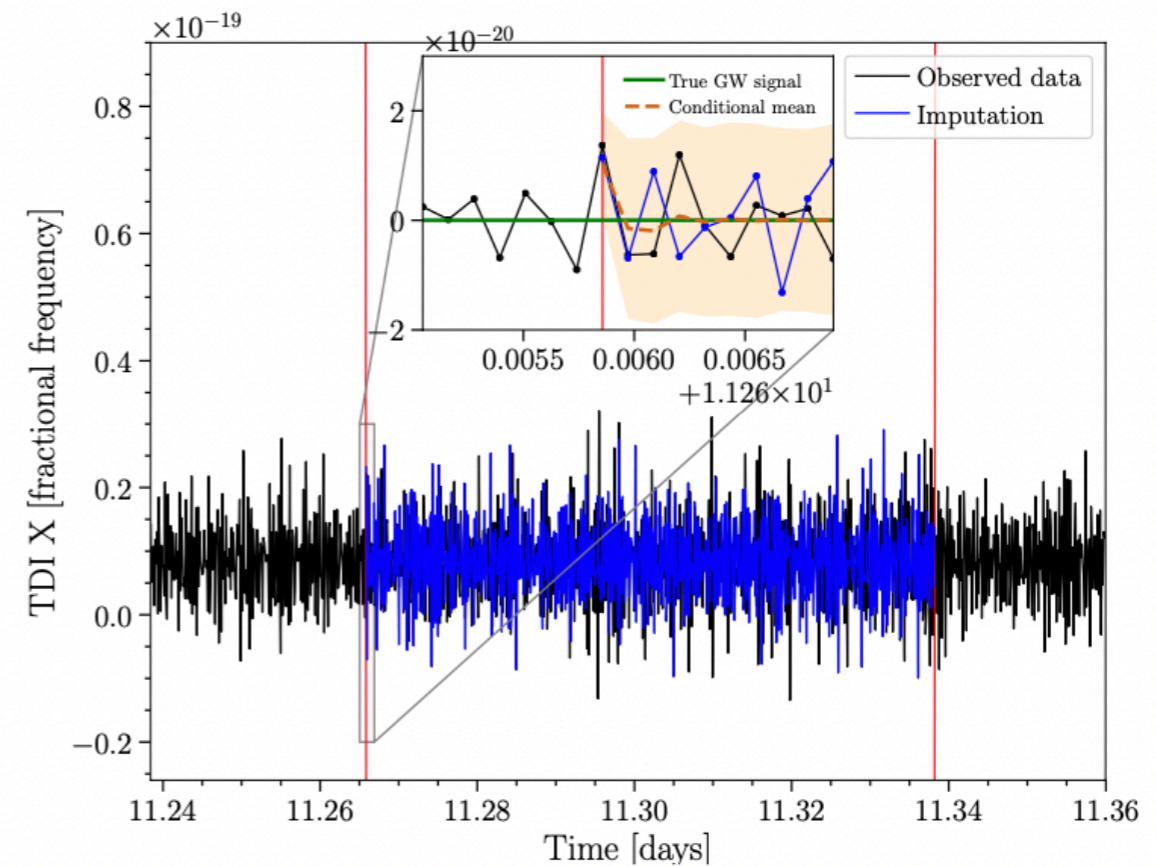
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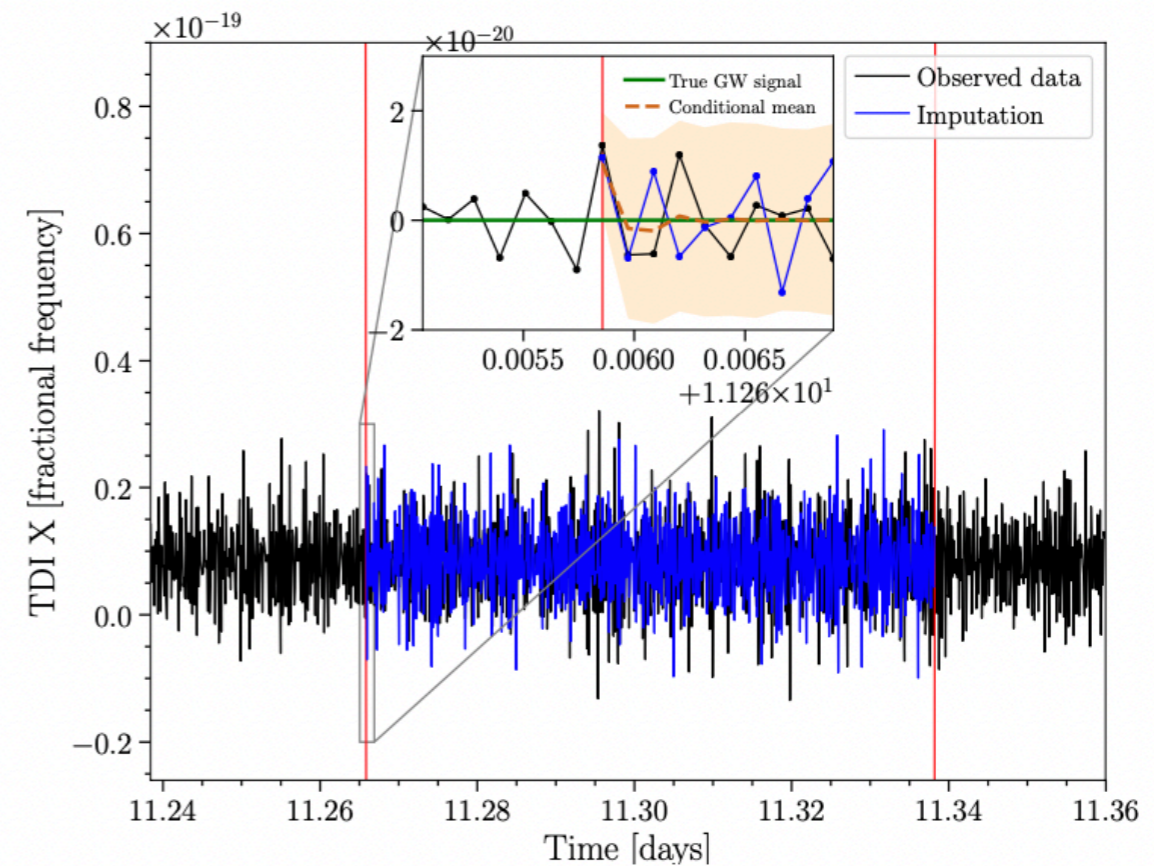
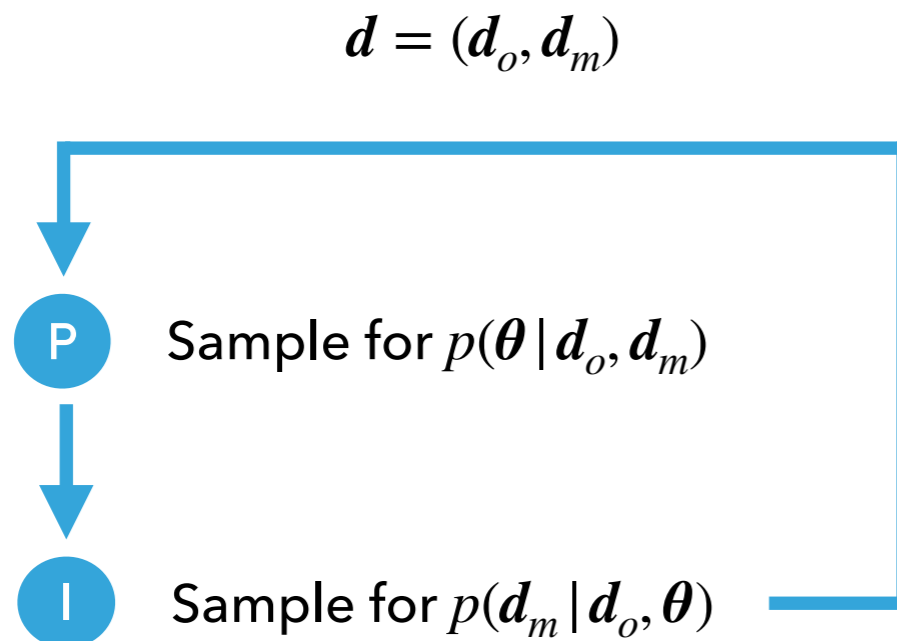


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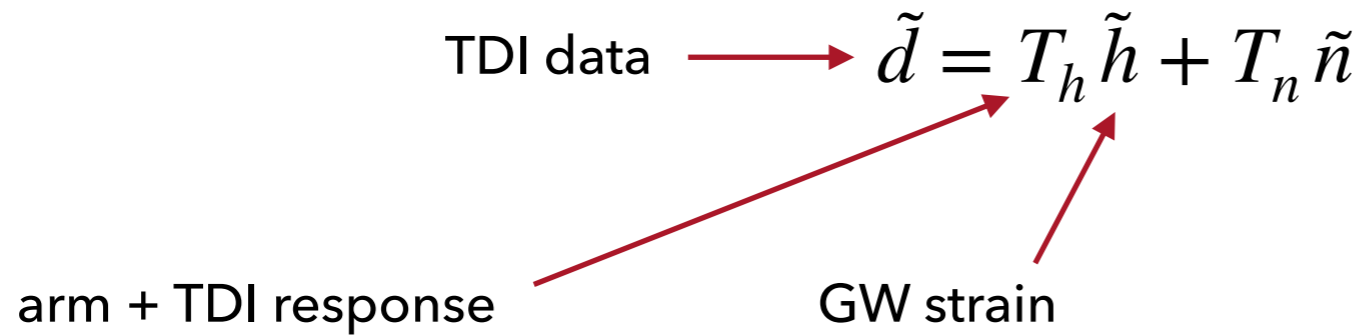
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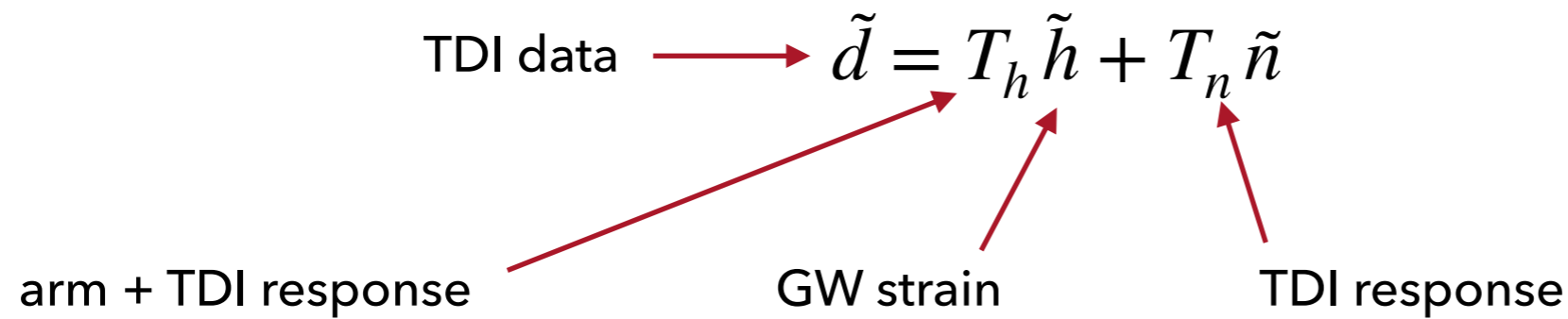
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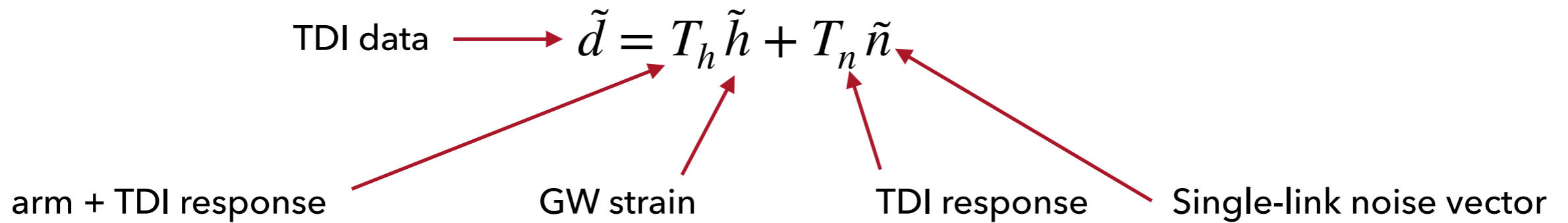
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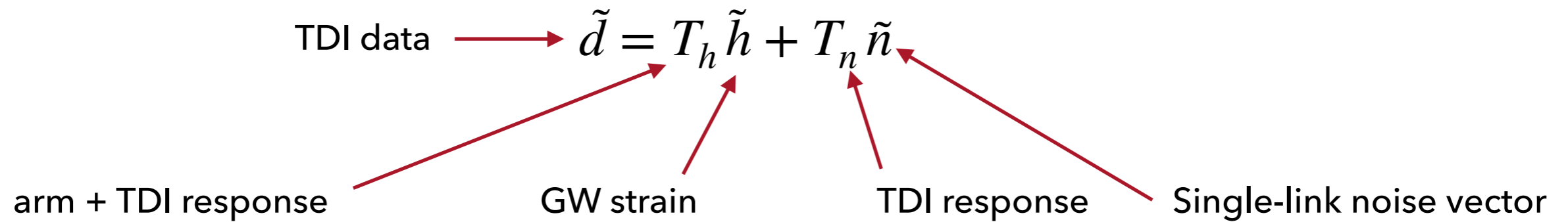
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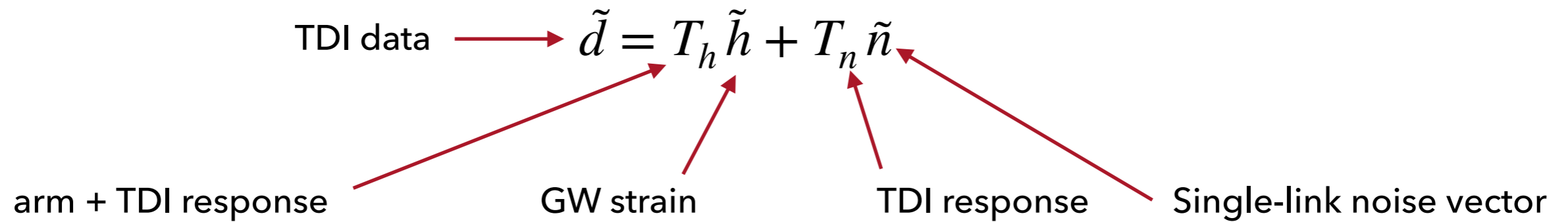
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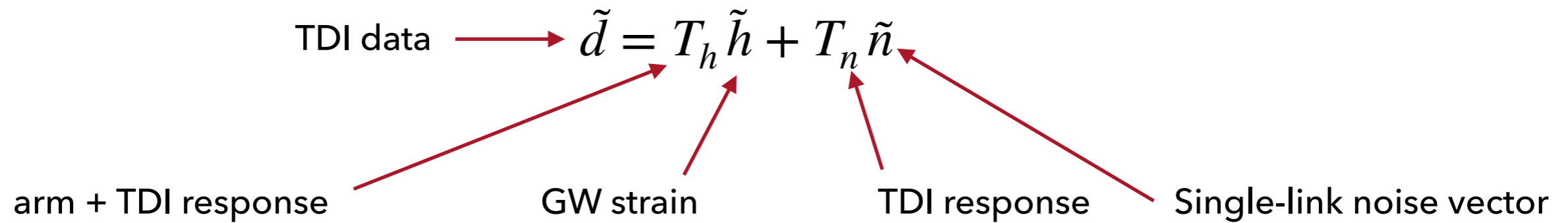
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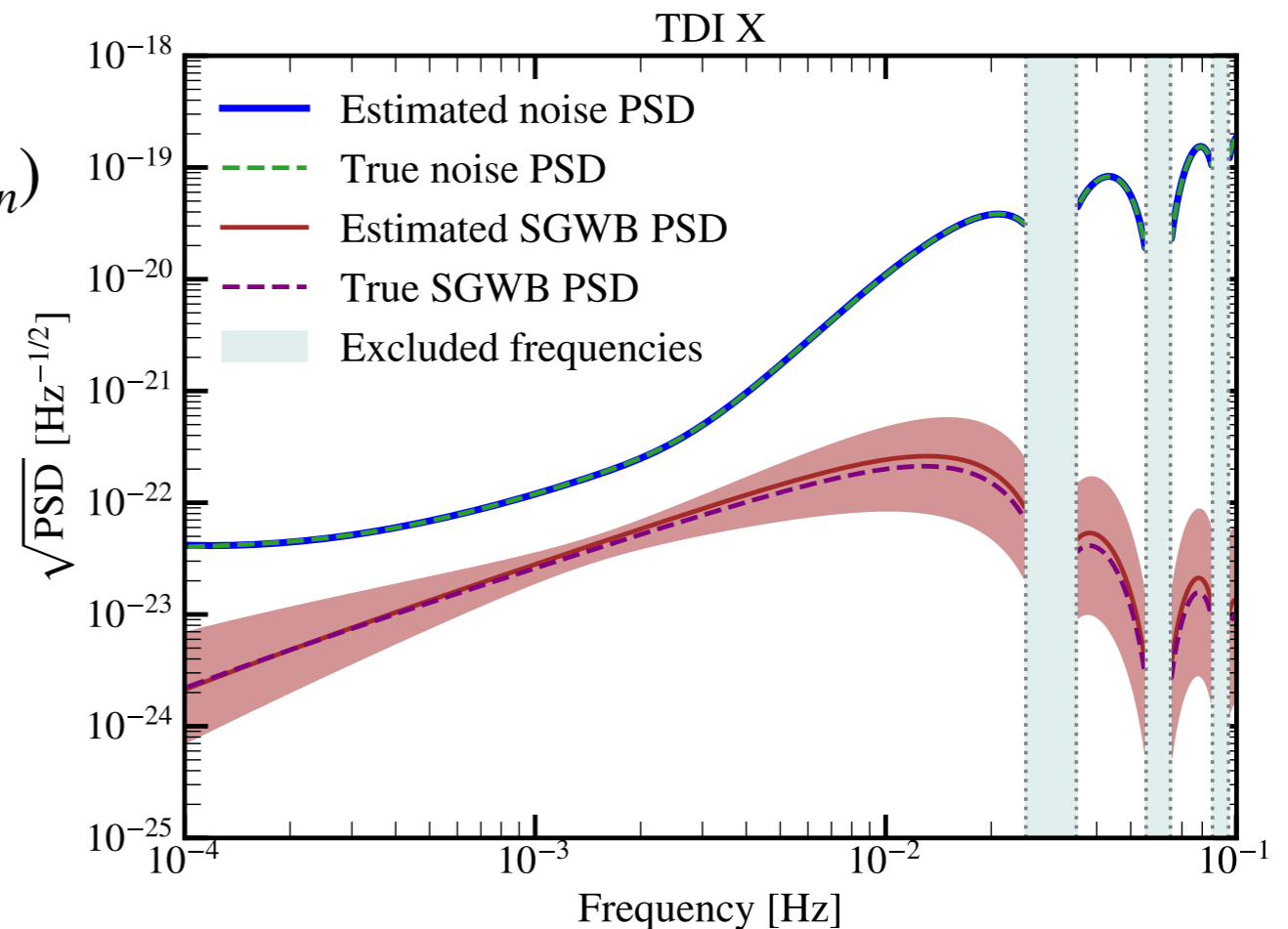
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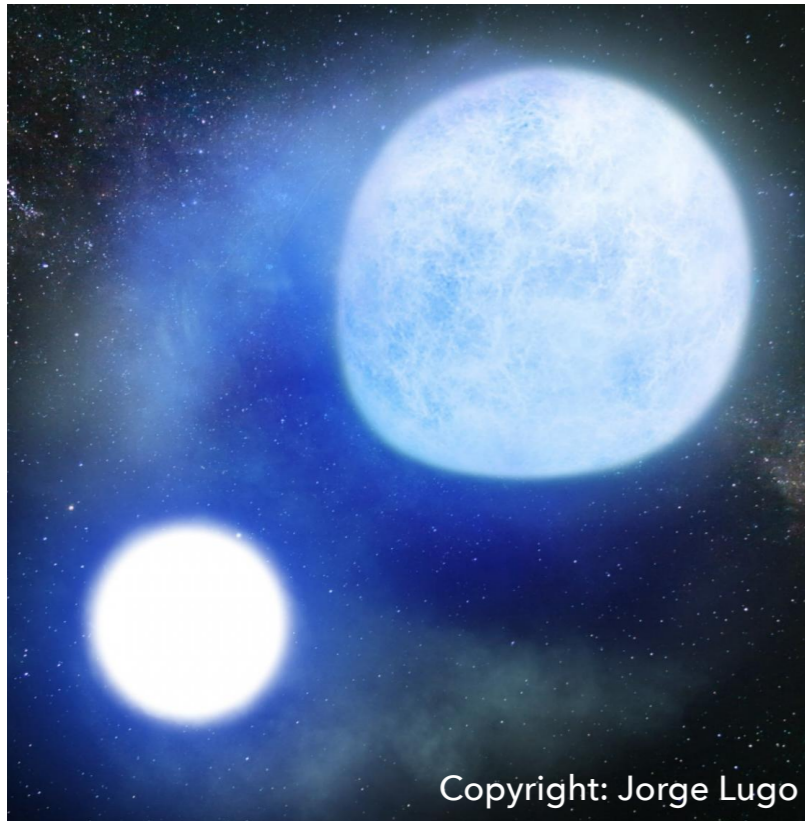


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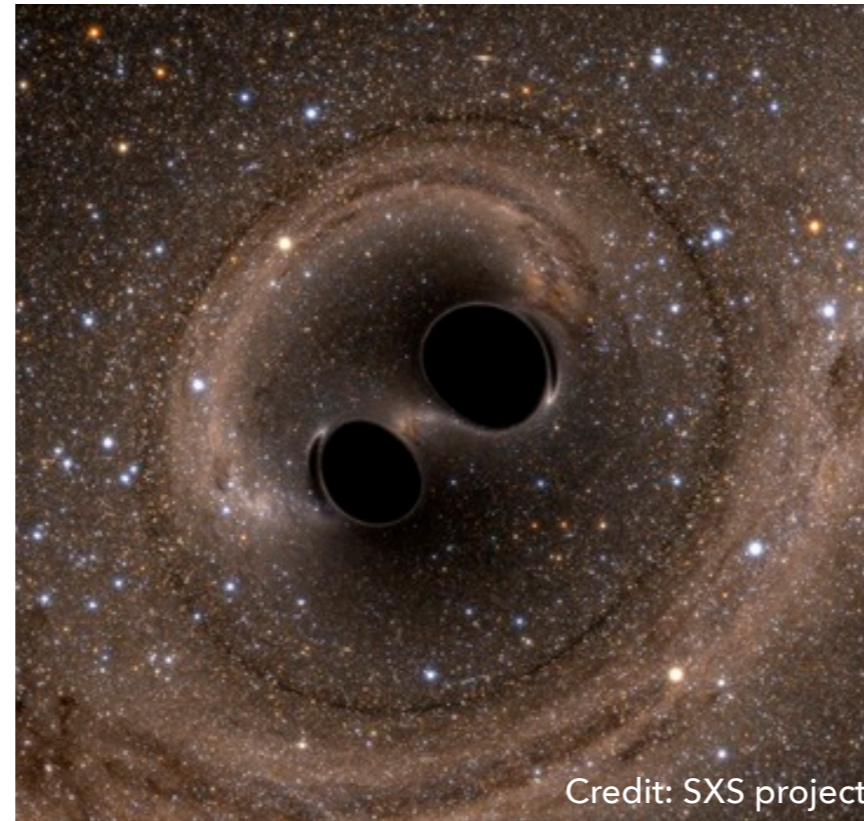


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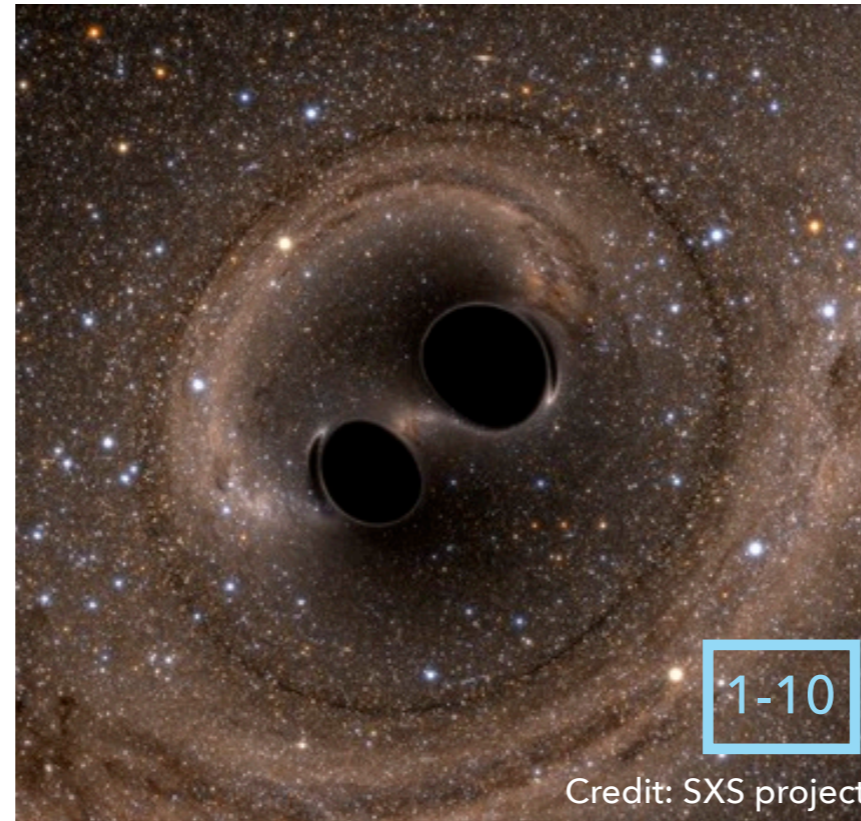


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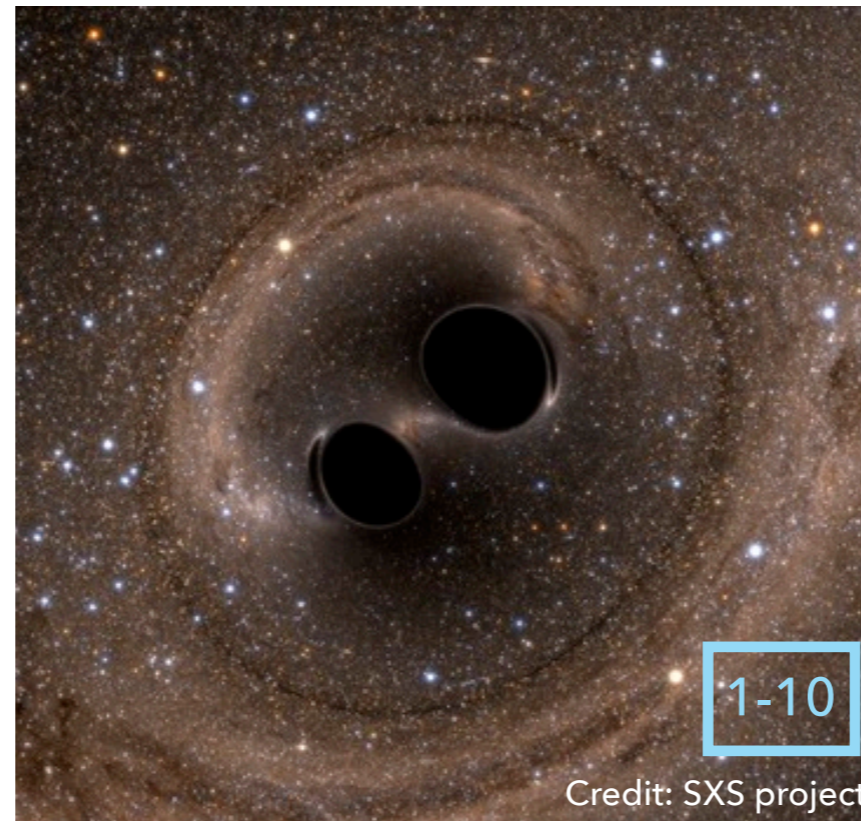


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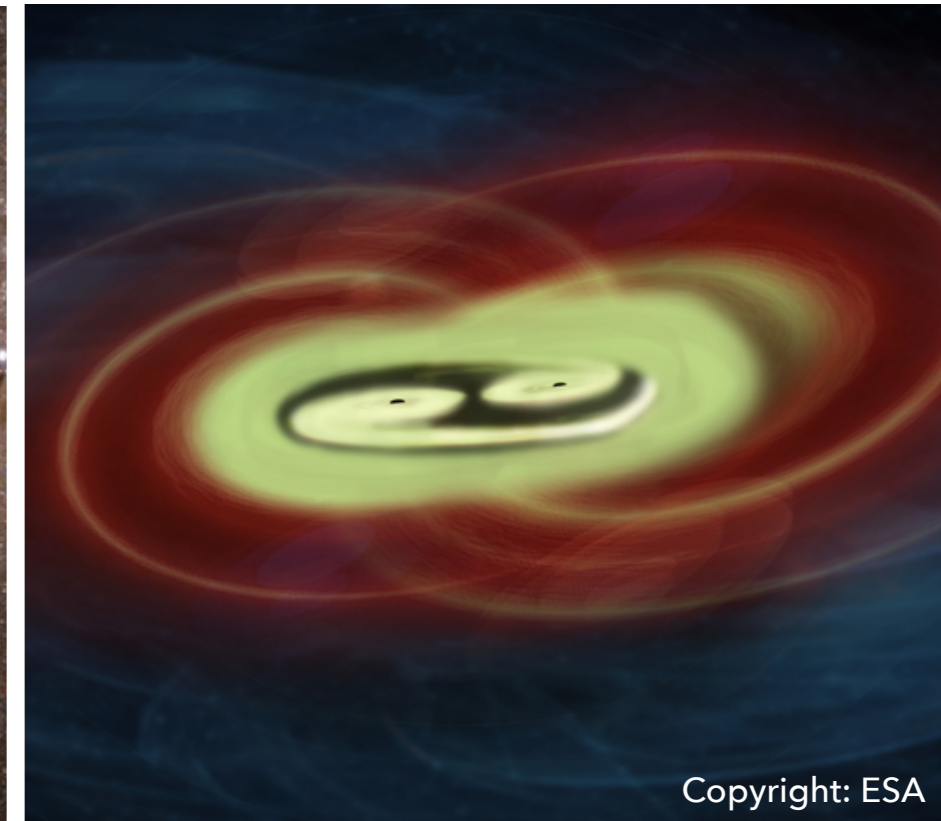
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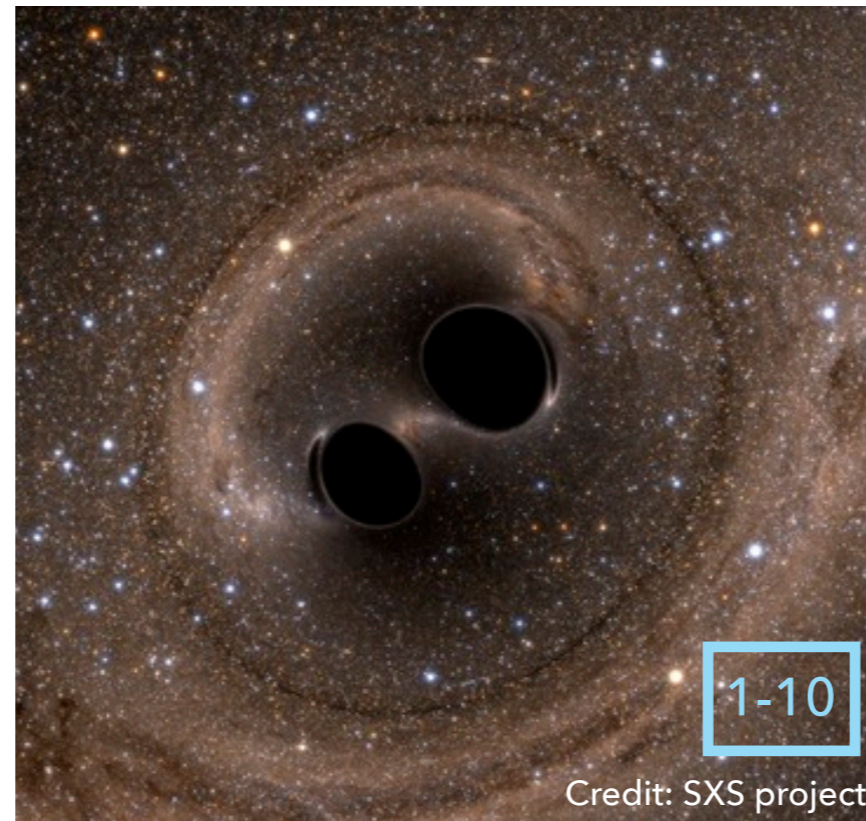


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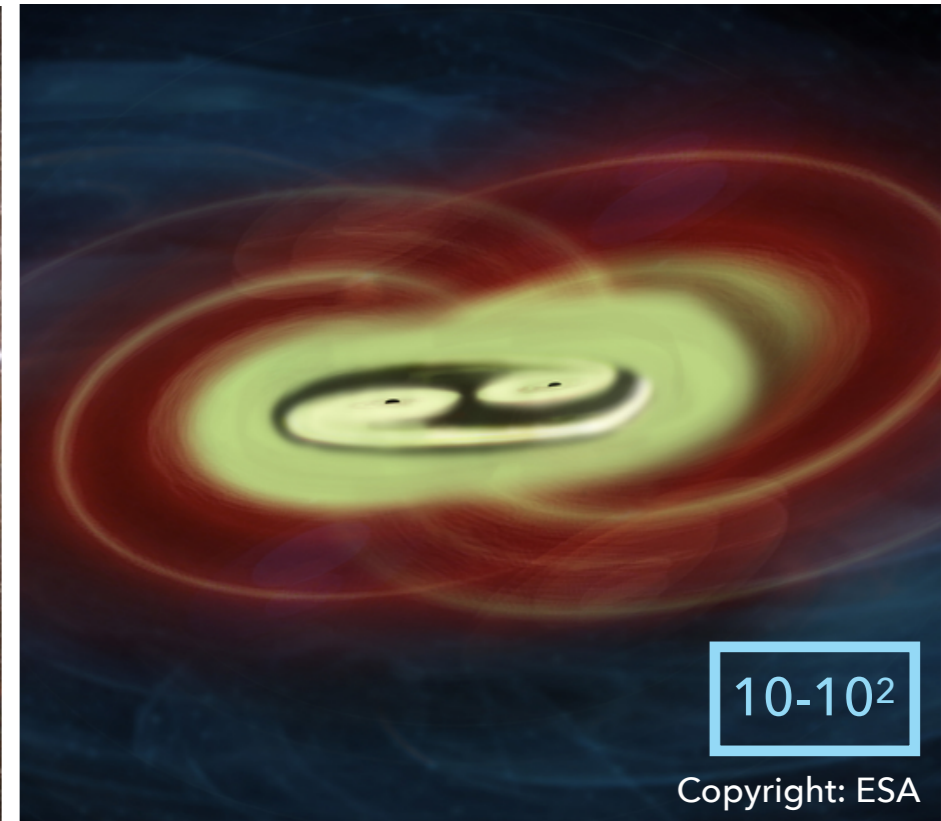
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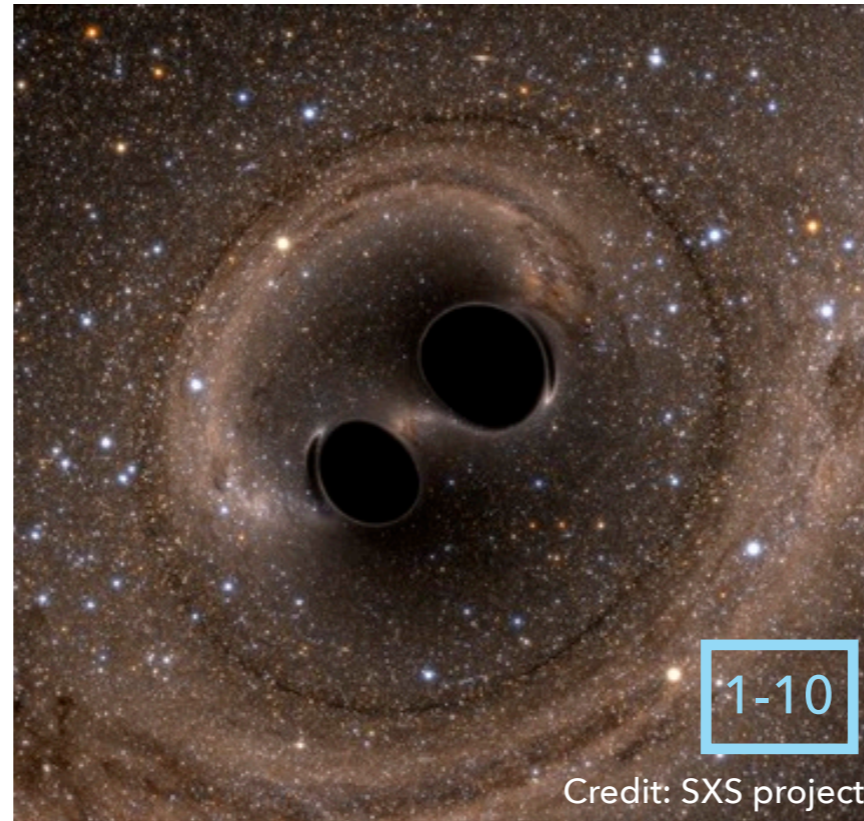
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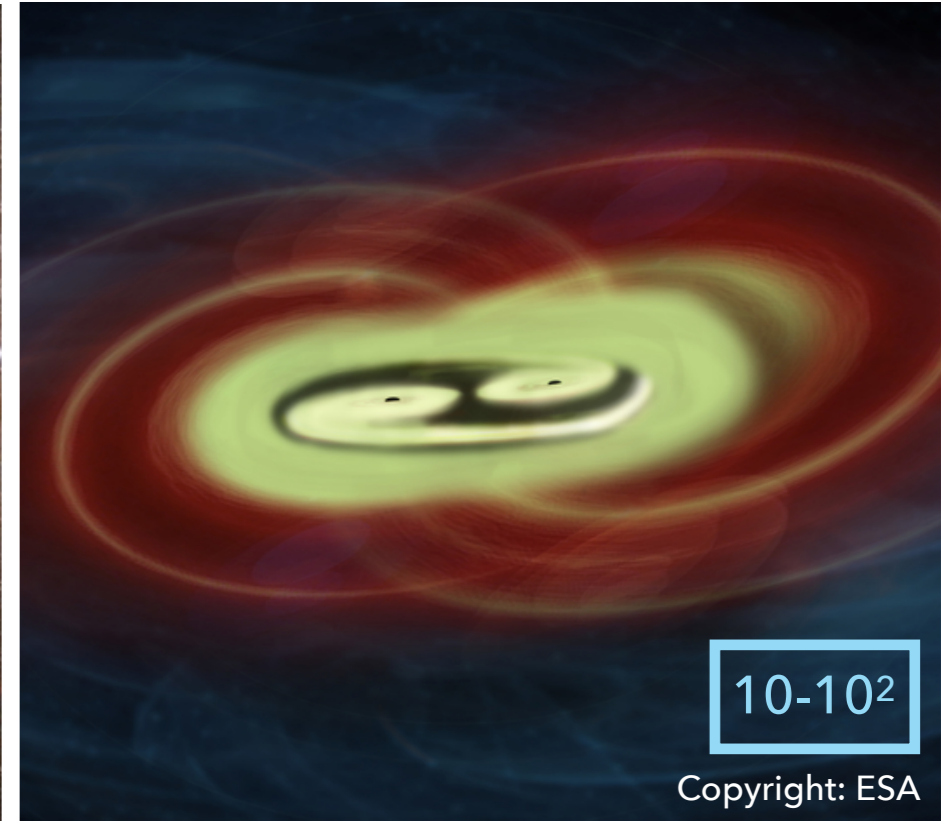
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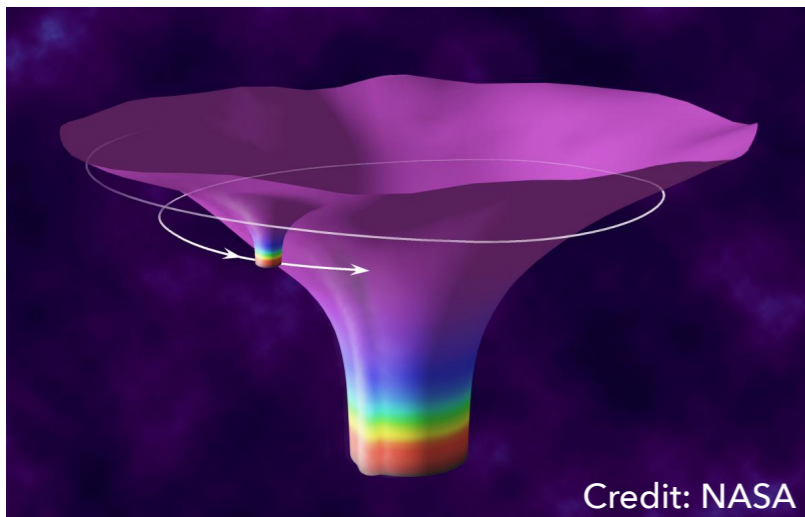
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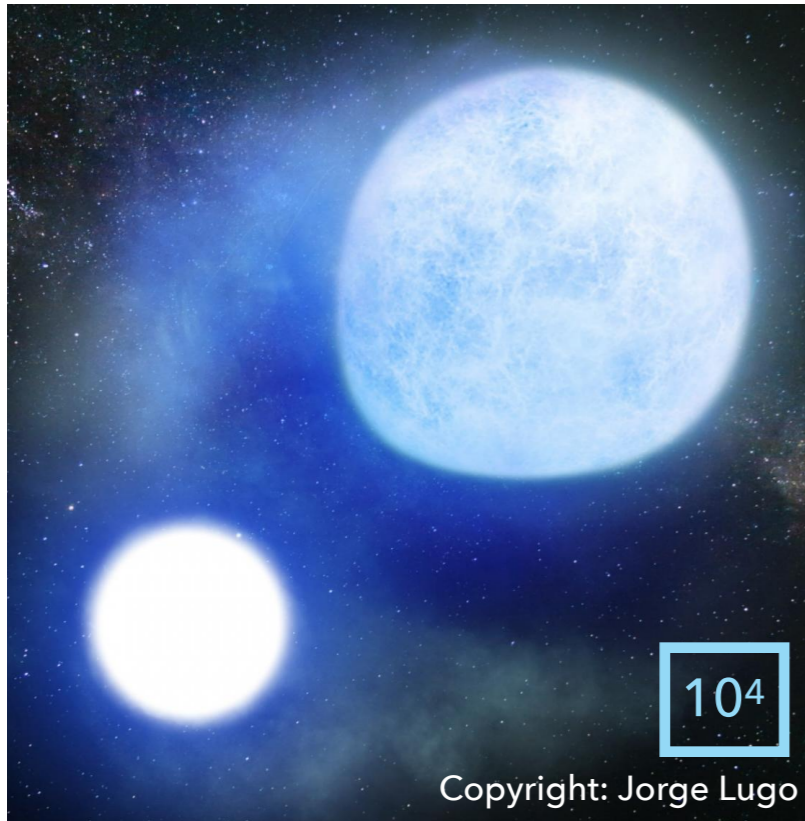
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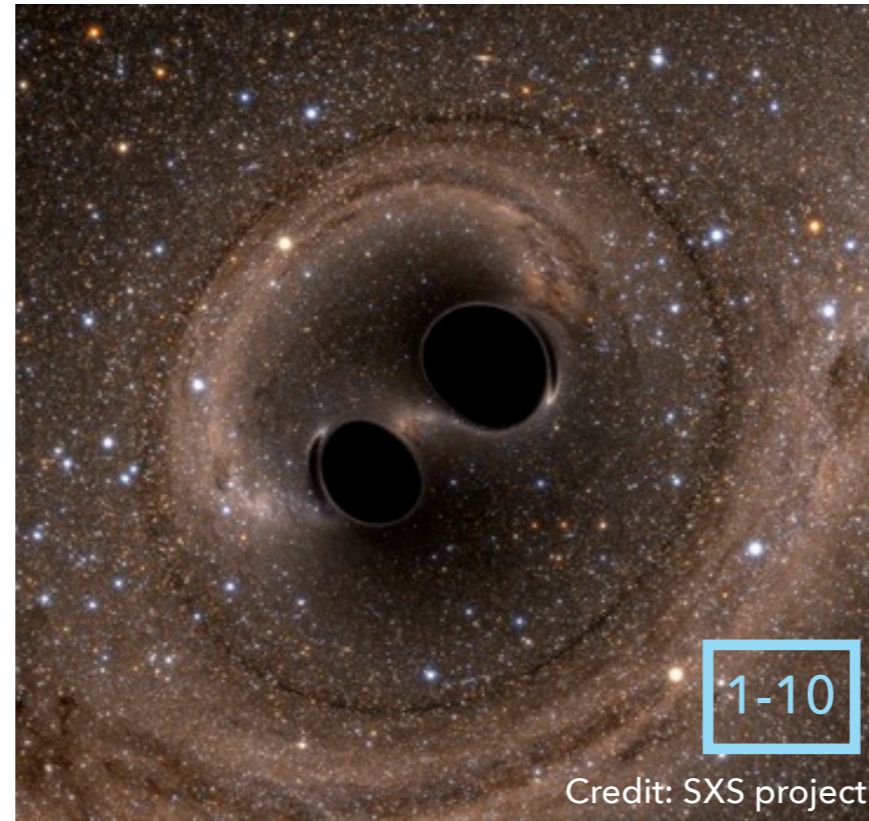
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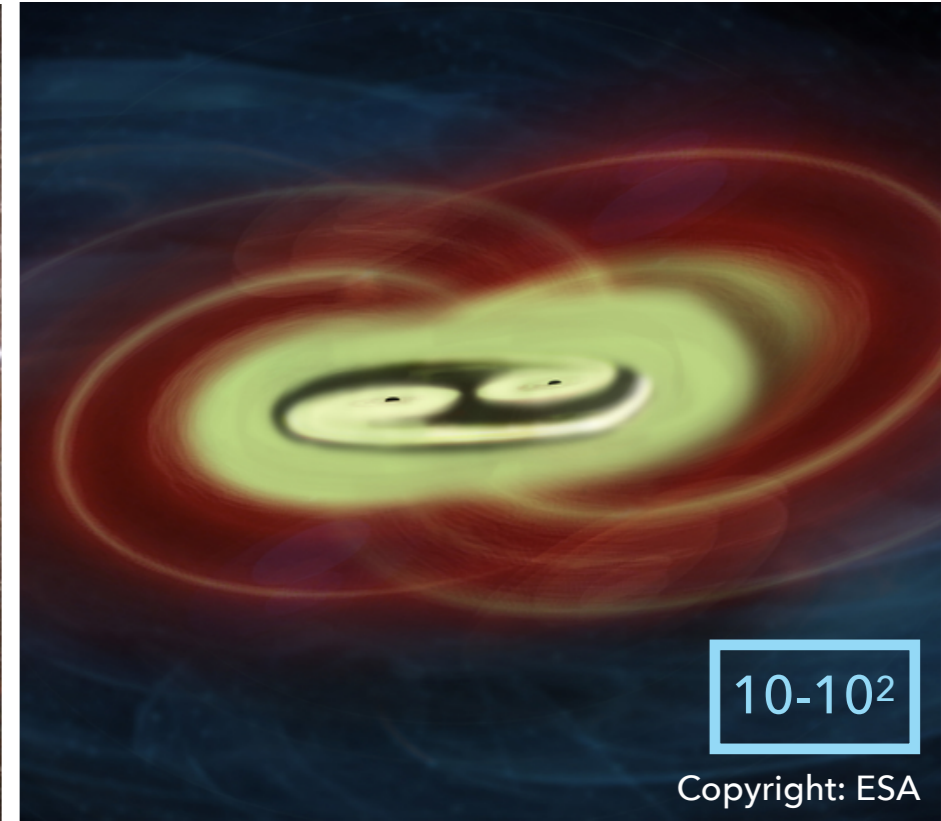
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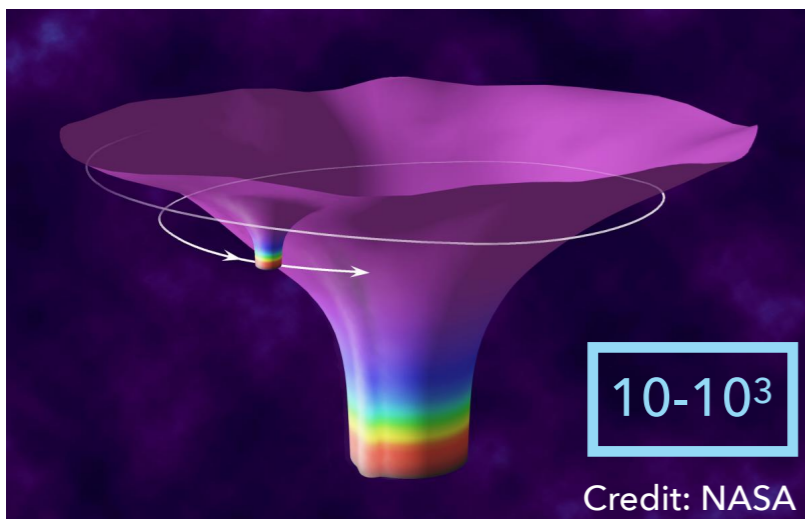
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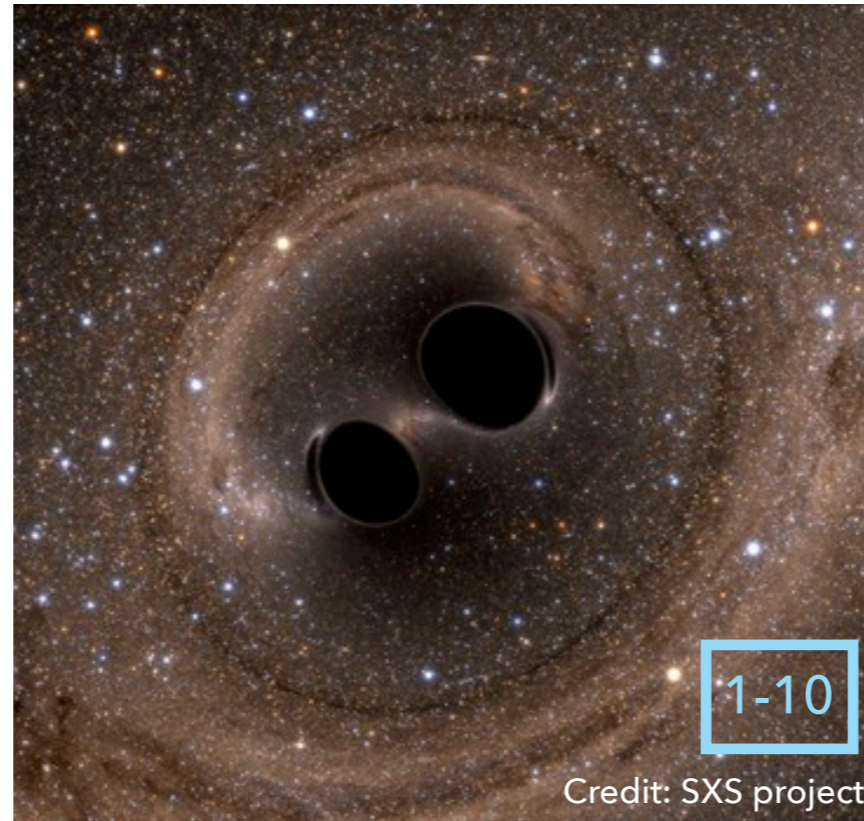
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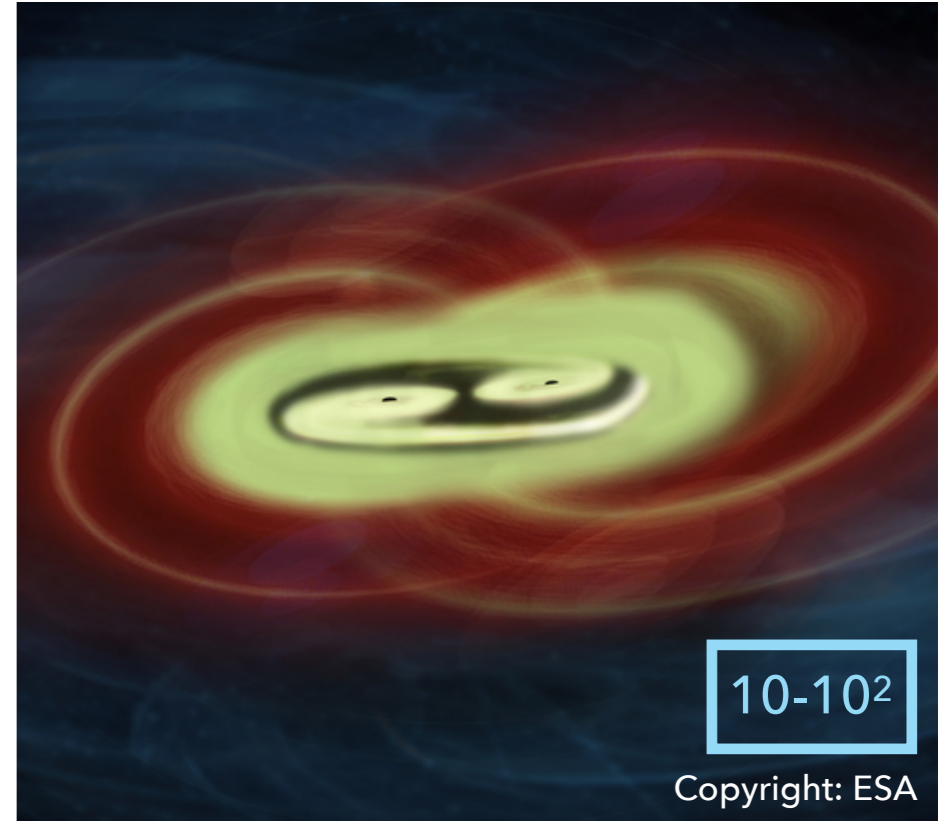
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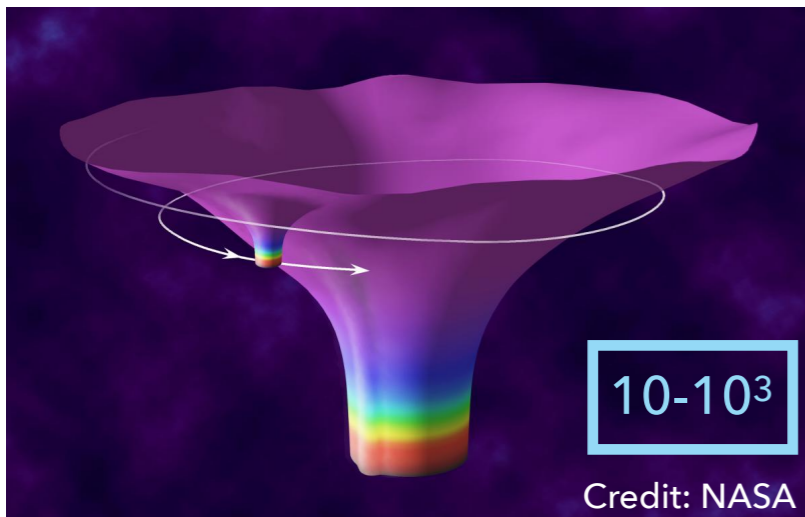
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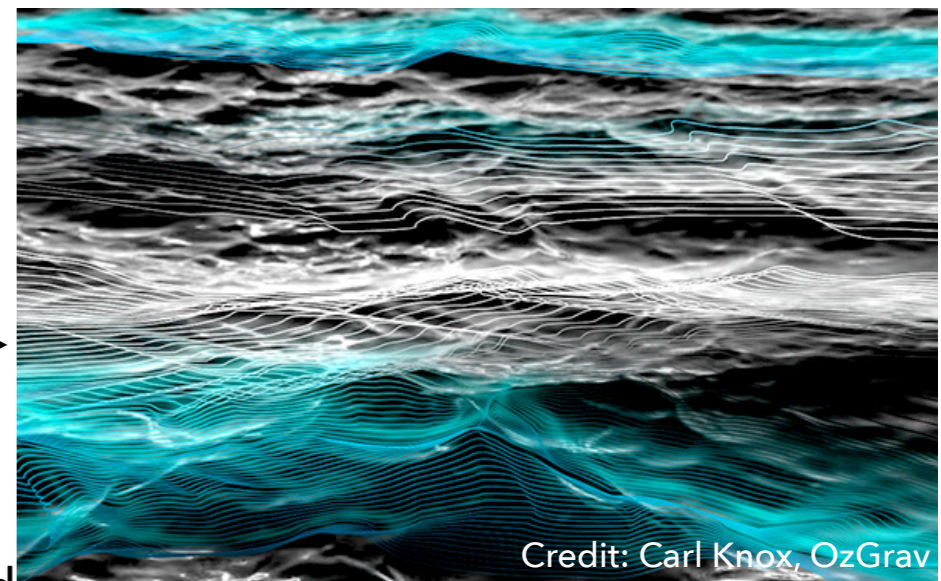
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