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- Main concepts and detections strategy of GWs
- GW observations: the story so far
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Gravitational waves from a merging binary system

Credit: LIGO Caltech



Scale of Effect Vastly Exaggerated

Gravitational waves are emitted by highly energetic cosmic sources, such as compact stellar binary systems

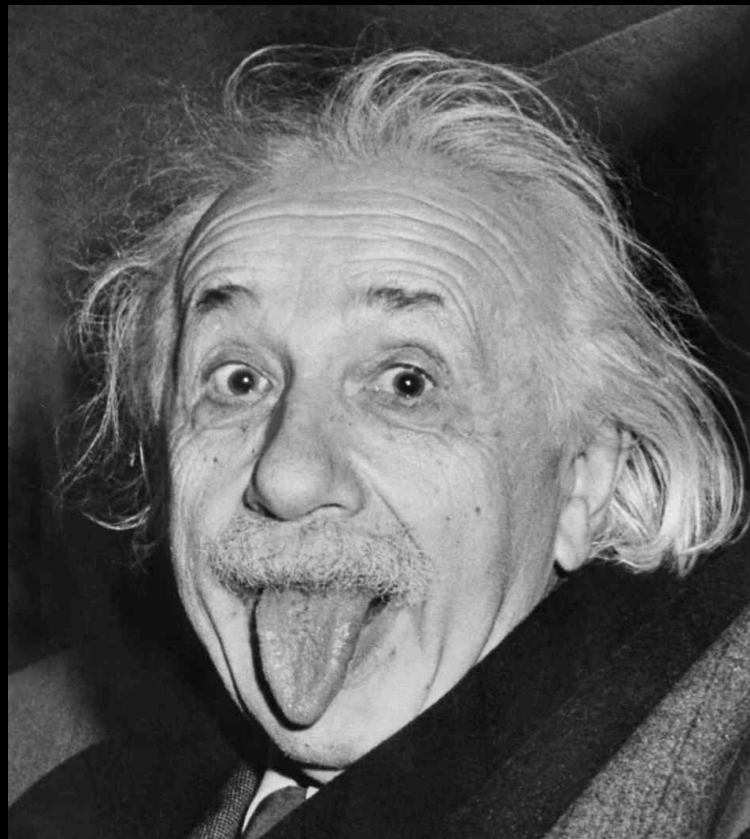
They travel across the Universe until eventually reach us

But what are gravitational waves?
In which medium do they propagate?

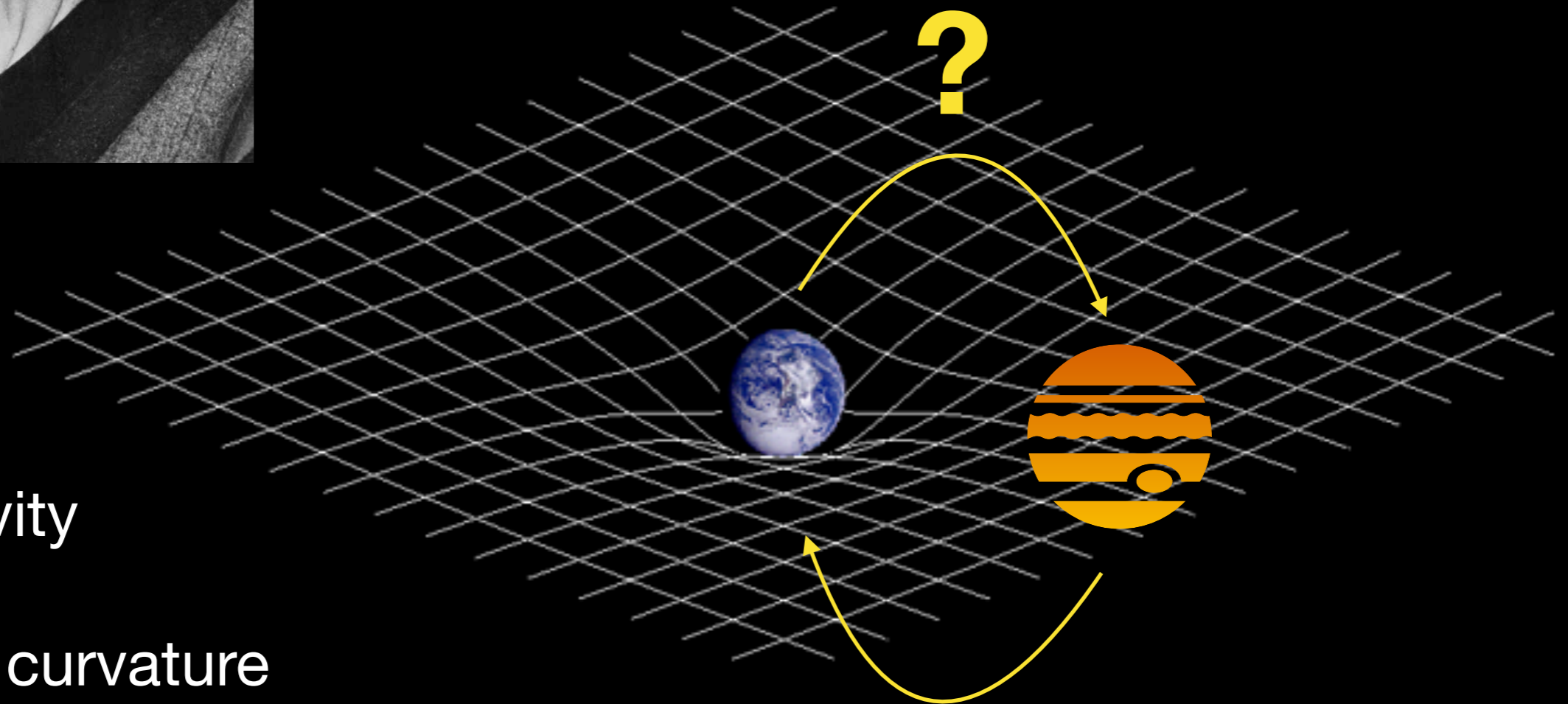
Credit: SXS Collaboration

Image: Hubble Space Telescope

Einstein's general relativity theory of gravity



*“Spacetime tells matter how to move,
and matter tells spacetime how to curve”*



Gravity
=
Spacetime curvature

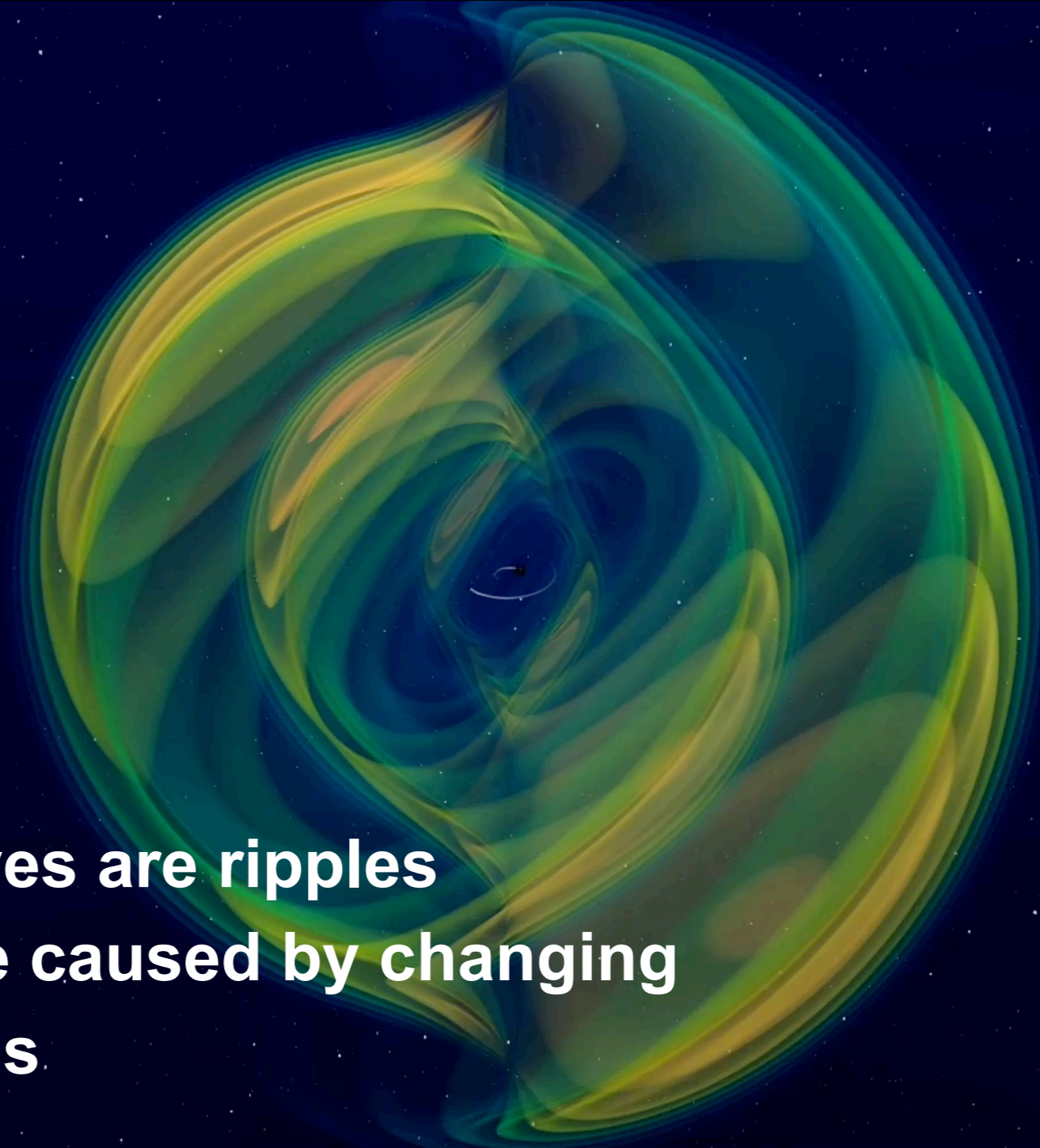
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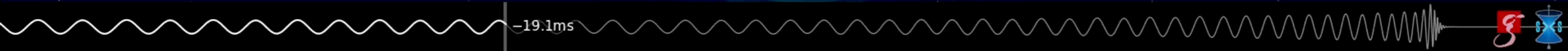
Credit: R. Hurt / LIGO / Caltech / JPL

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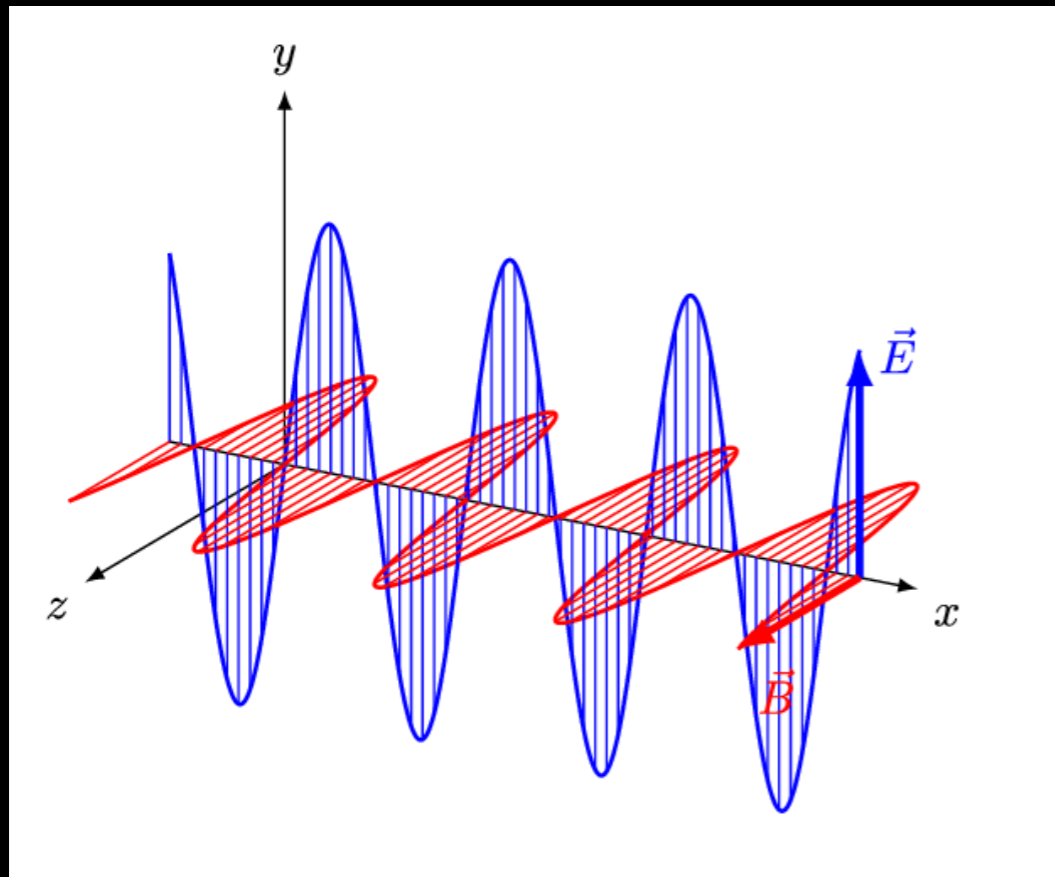
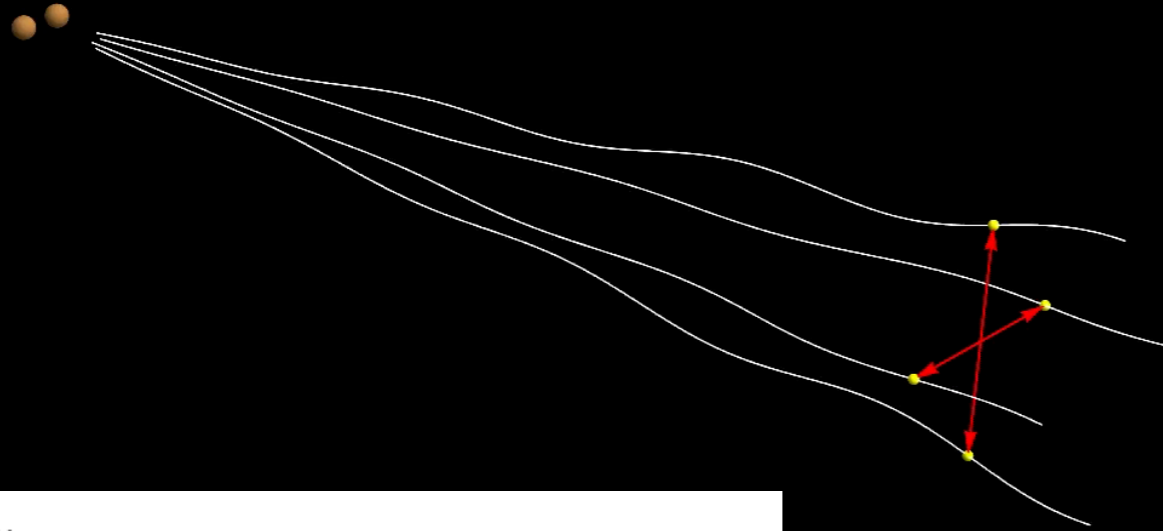


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How gravitational waves “move” matter

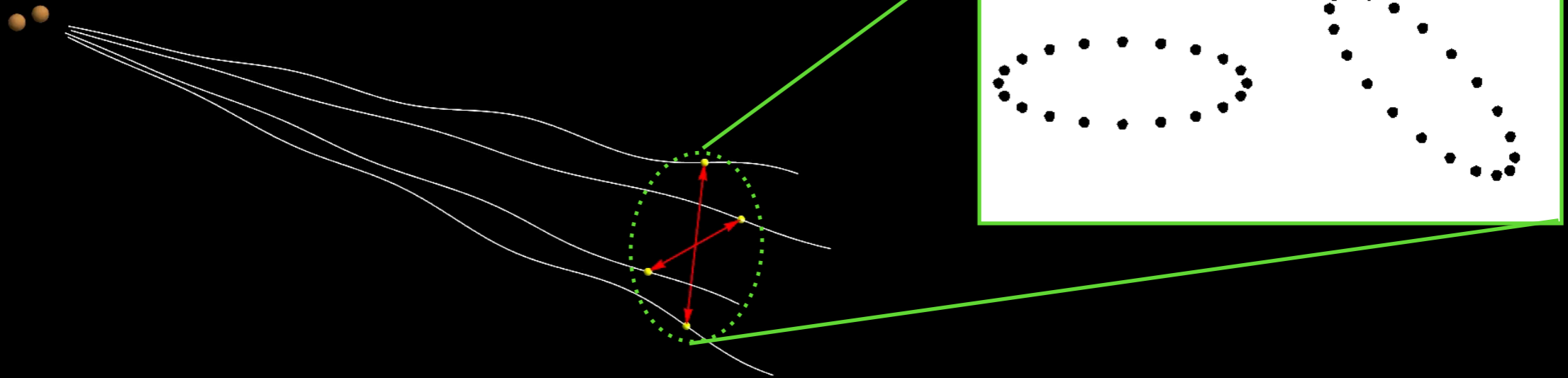
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that accelerate free–falling particles



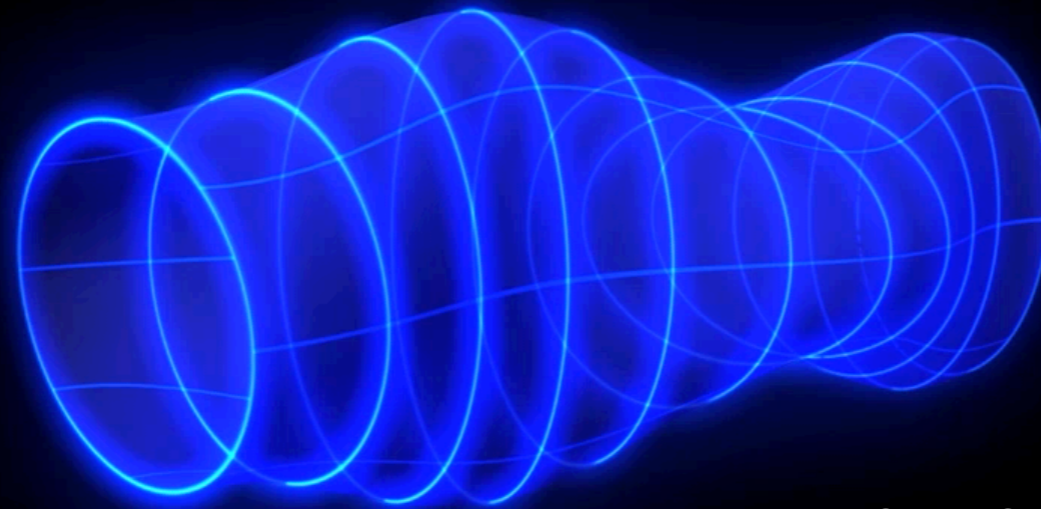
Electromagnetic waves:
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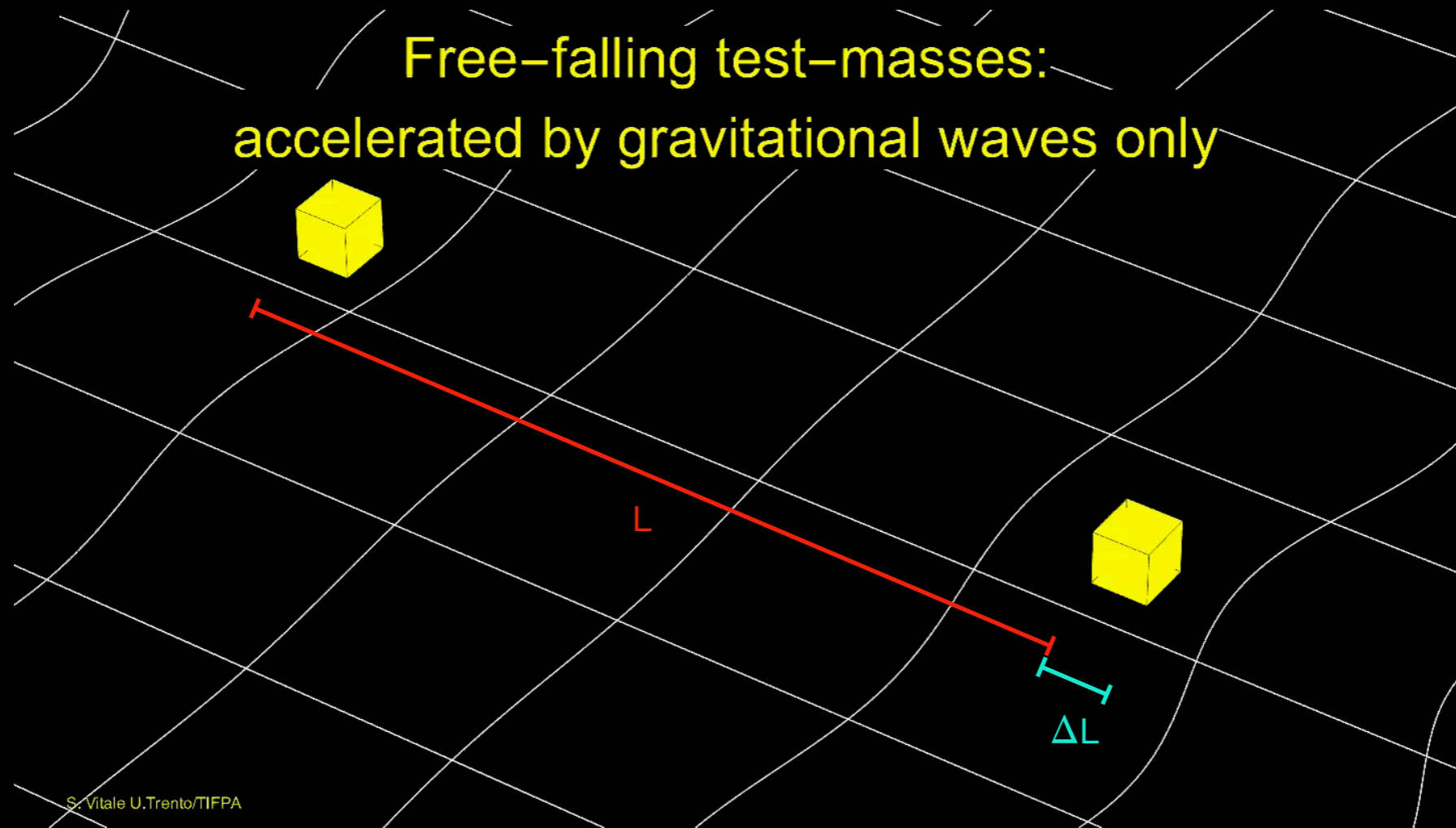


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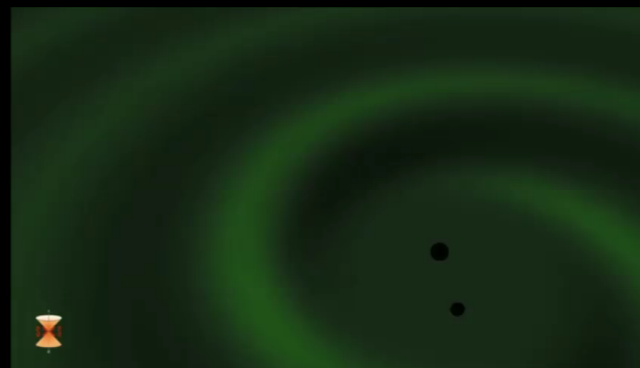
Credit: ESA

How gravitational waves “move” matter



$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta L}{L} \sim 10^{-38}$$

@ laboratory distances

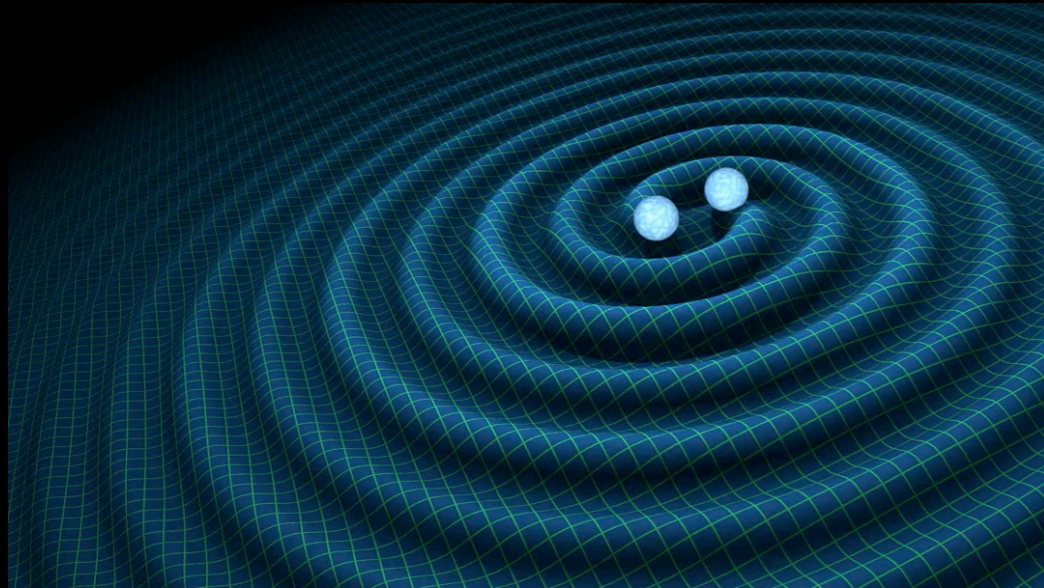


$$\Rightarrow \frac{\Delta L}{L} \sim 10^{-21}$$

@ cosmological distances

How to detect gravitational waves?

INDIRECT DETECTION



Indirectly from the effects they
leave on a source

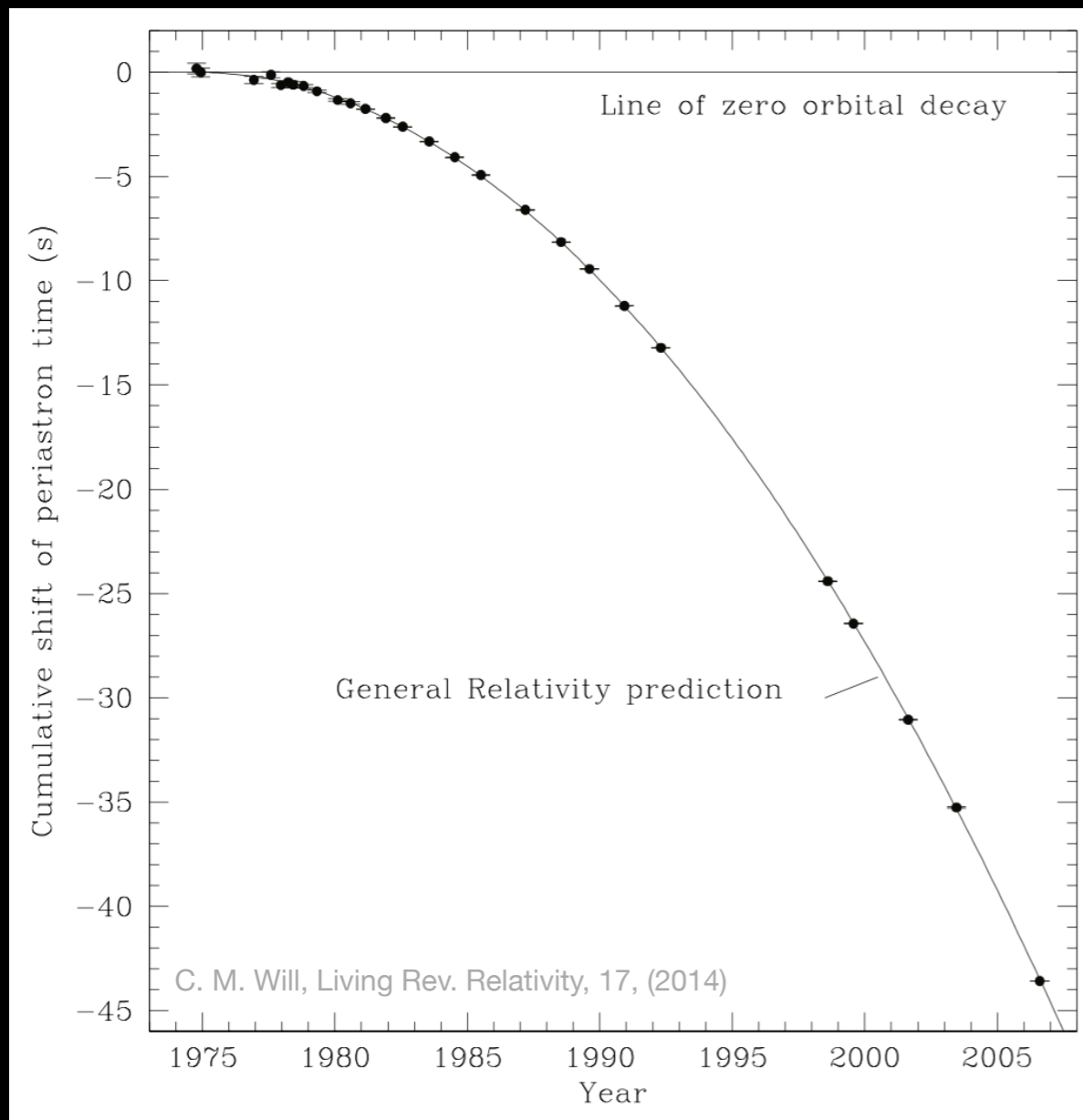
GWs take away energy and
(angular) momentum



Orbits shrinks / period decreases

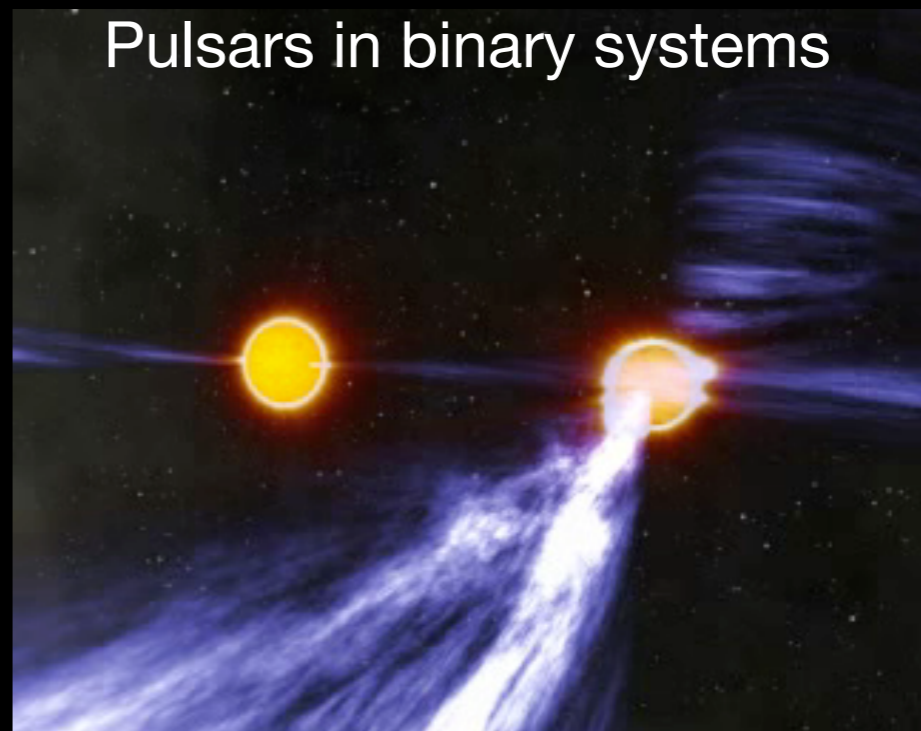
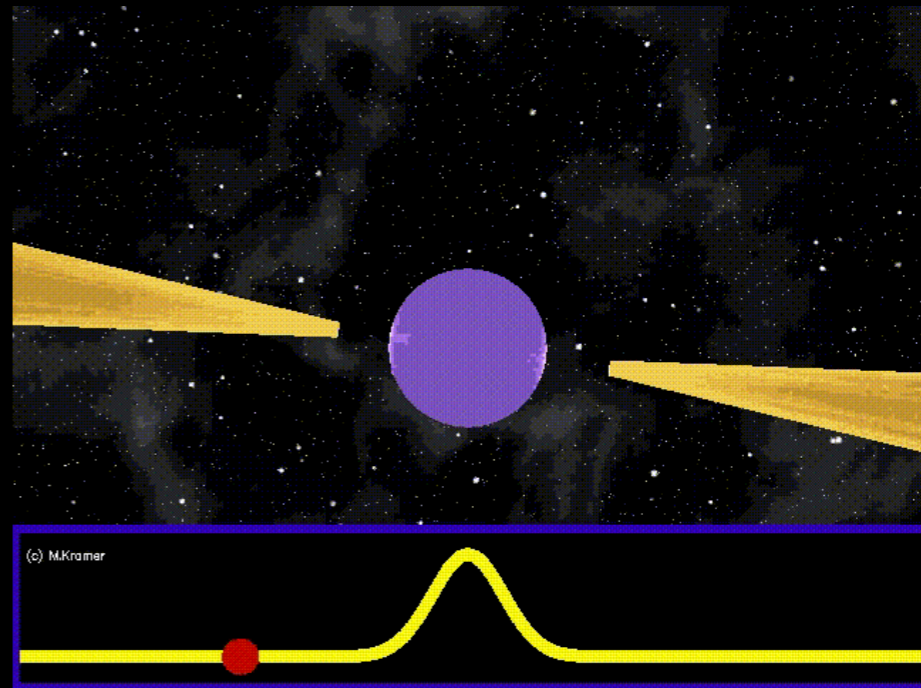
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Hulse–Taylor pulsar
Nobel Prize 1993

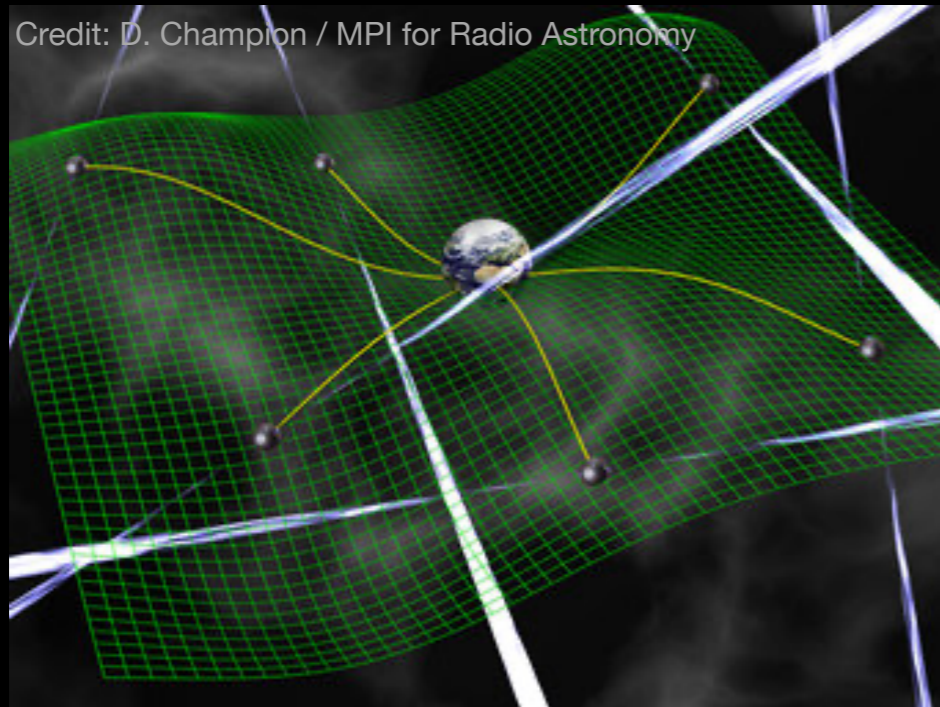
Credit: Michael Kramer



Credit: John Rowe animations

How to detect gravitational waves?

PTA DETECTION



Indirectly from the effects they leave on
an array of EM sources

GWs stretch the spacetime in between
us and the pulsars



Change in the arrival time of EM pulses

How to detect gravitational waves?

PTA DETECTION

HIER!!!
29/06/2023

Press Releases

EPTA announces evidence for nanohertz gravitational waves



EPTA joins international teams in reporting evidence for low frequency gravitational waves

NANOGrav's 15-Year Data Release

PUB: 28 JUN 2023



● Artist's interpretation of an array of pulsars being affected by gravitational ripples produced by a supermassive black hole binary in a distant galaxy. Credit: Aurore Simonnet for the NANOGrav Collaboration

Public Briefing

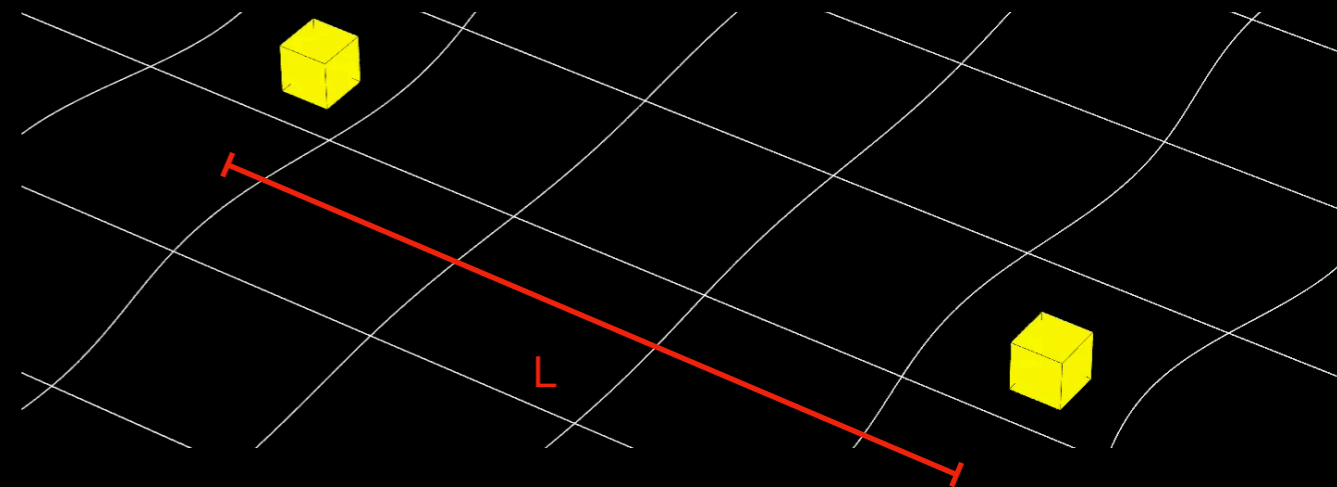
We invite all interested members of the public to join our public announcement event on **Thursday, June 29, 2023 at 1:00 PM Eastern US Time**. The announcement will report results of the analysis of NANOGrav's 15-year data set, and interpretations of those results.

The announcement will be [broadcast live on YouTube](#) from the National Science Foundation (NSF), and will report on NANOGrav's ongoing search for low-frequency gravitational waves.

A promotional graphic for the NANOGrav 15-year data release. It features the NSF logo in the top left, the text "NANOGrav - 15 Years of Gravitational Wave Research" at the top, and a "Share" button in the top right. The central image shows a supermassive black hole binary with a red YouTube play button icon. Below the image, the text "NANOGrav RESULTS" is displayed in large, bold letters. At the bottom left, the word "LIVE" is written in large, bold letters, with "Watch on YouTube" below it.

How to detect gravitational waves?

DIRECT DETECTION



Directly from the effects they imprint on test masses

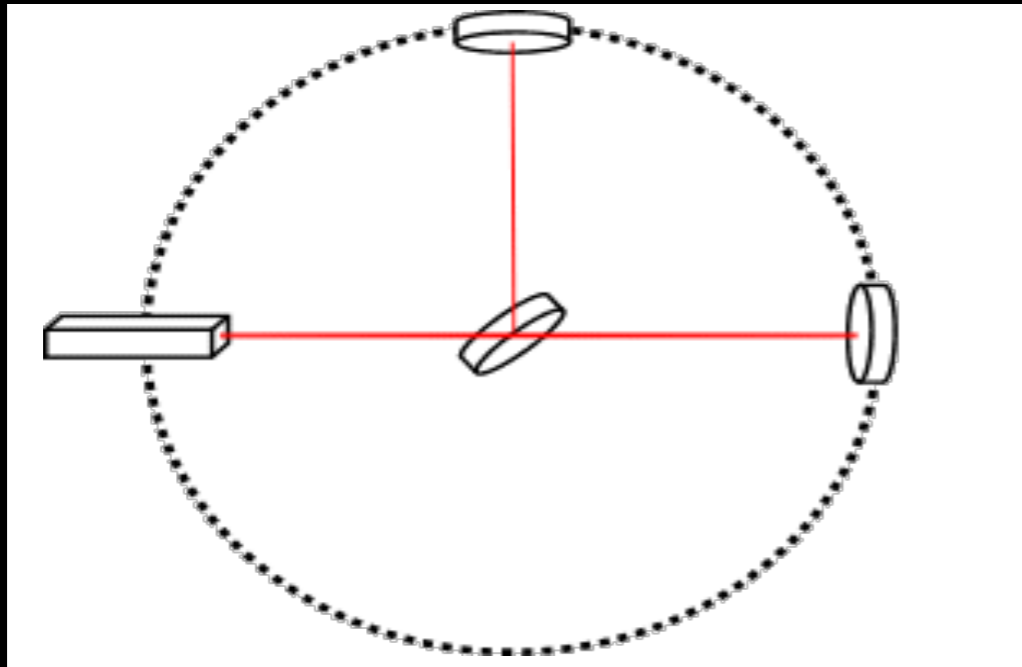
GWs transfer energy
(and momentum)



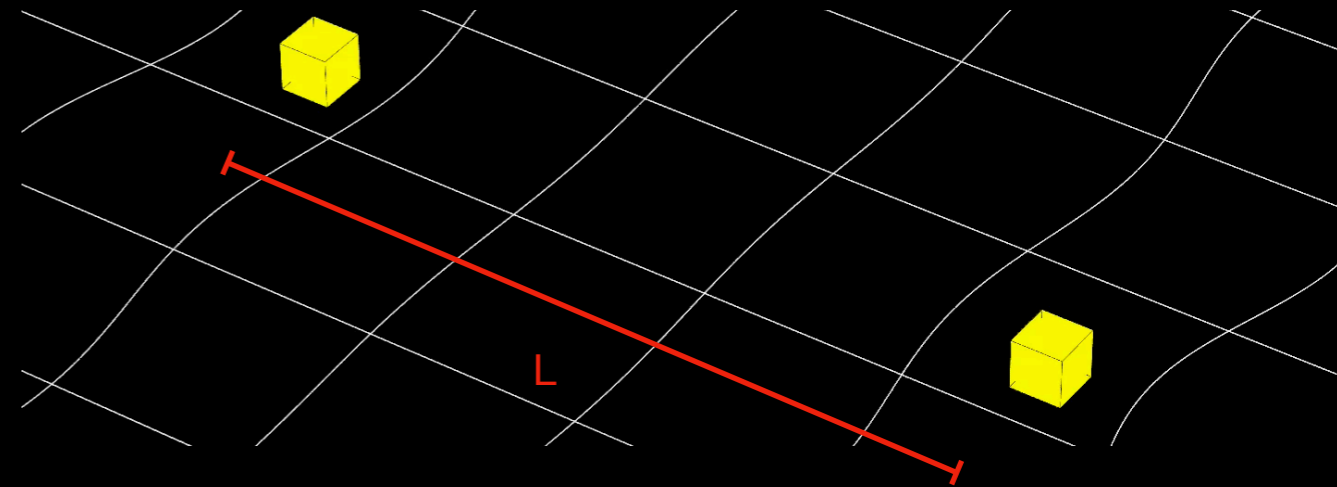
Distance between to free-falling masses change

How to detect gravitational waves?

LASER INTERFEROMETRY



DIRECT DETECTION

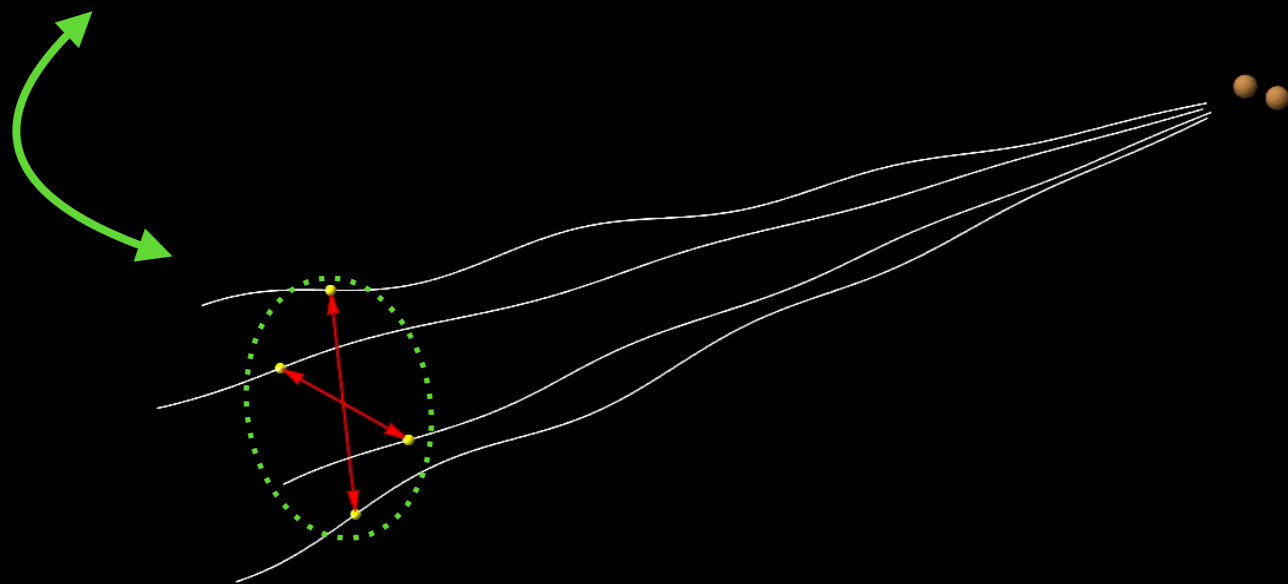


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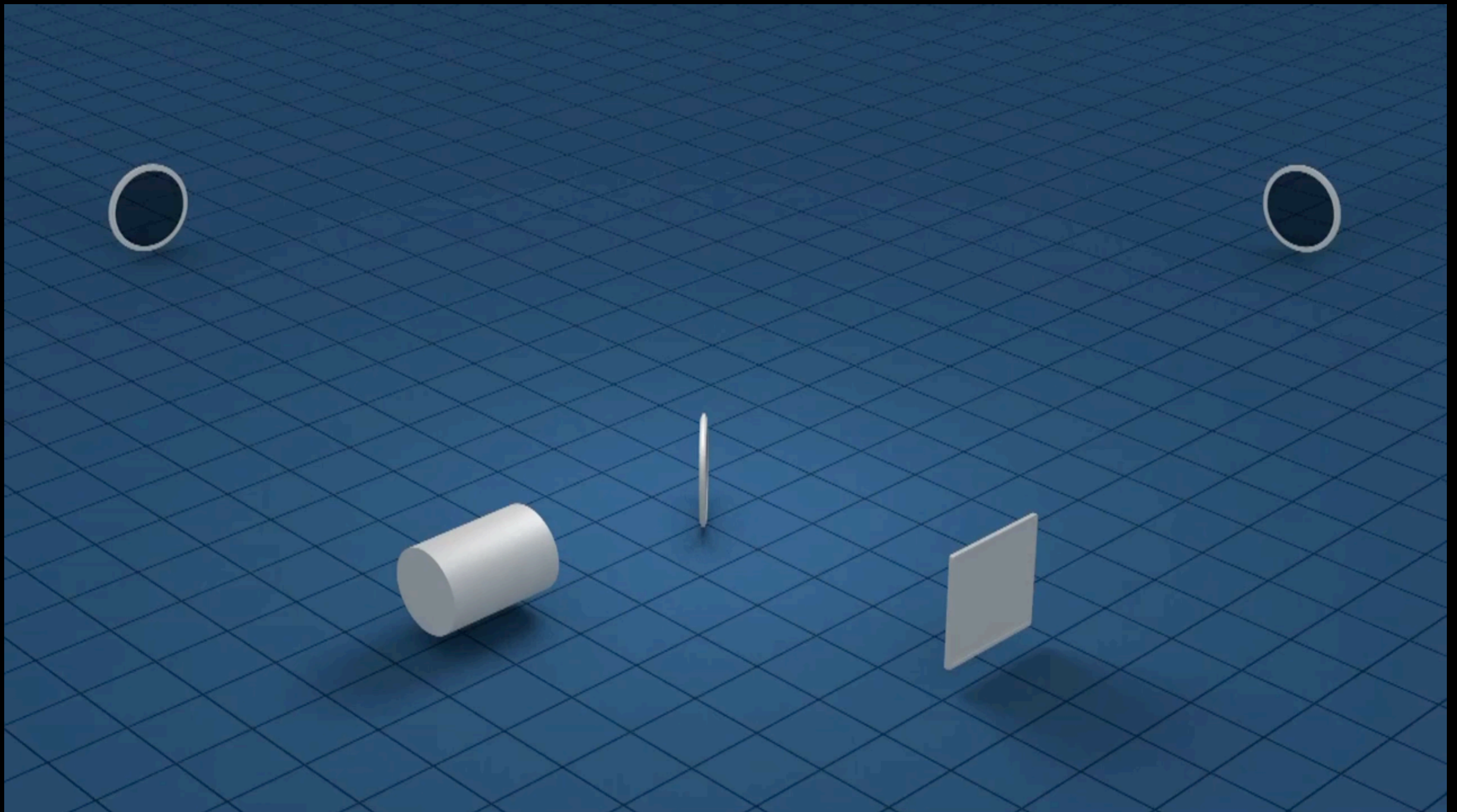
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How to detect gravitational waves?

Laser interferometry

DIRECT DETECTION



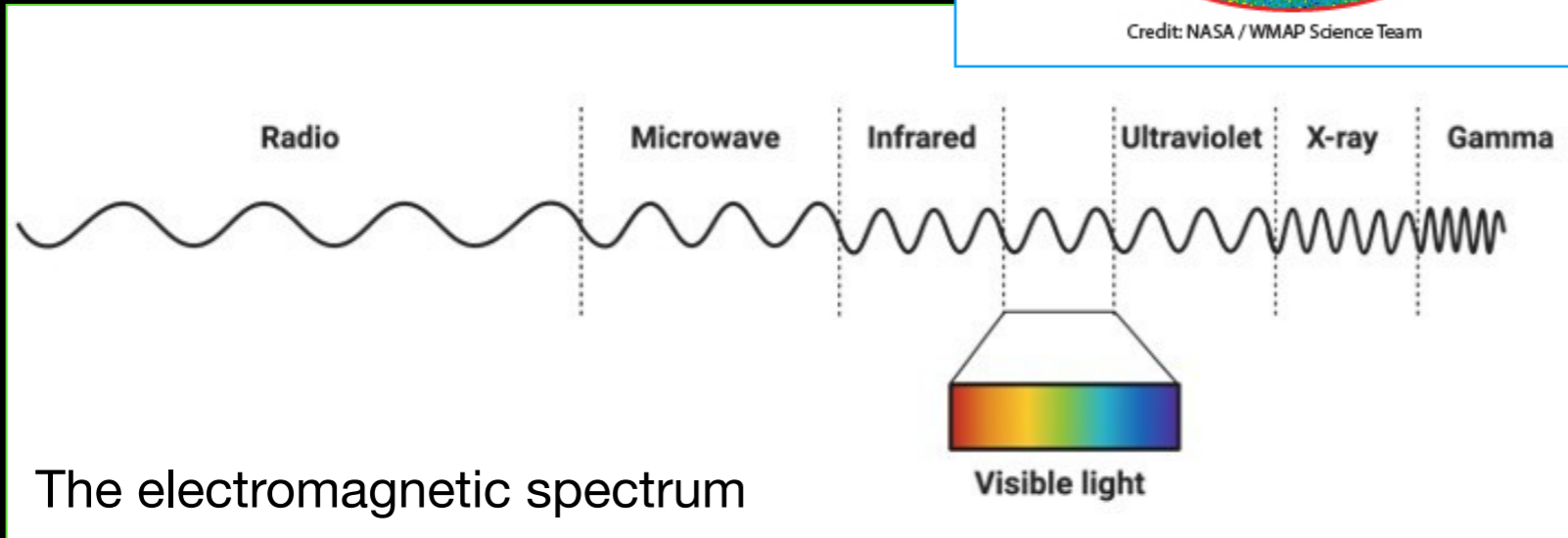
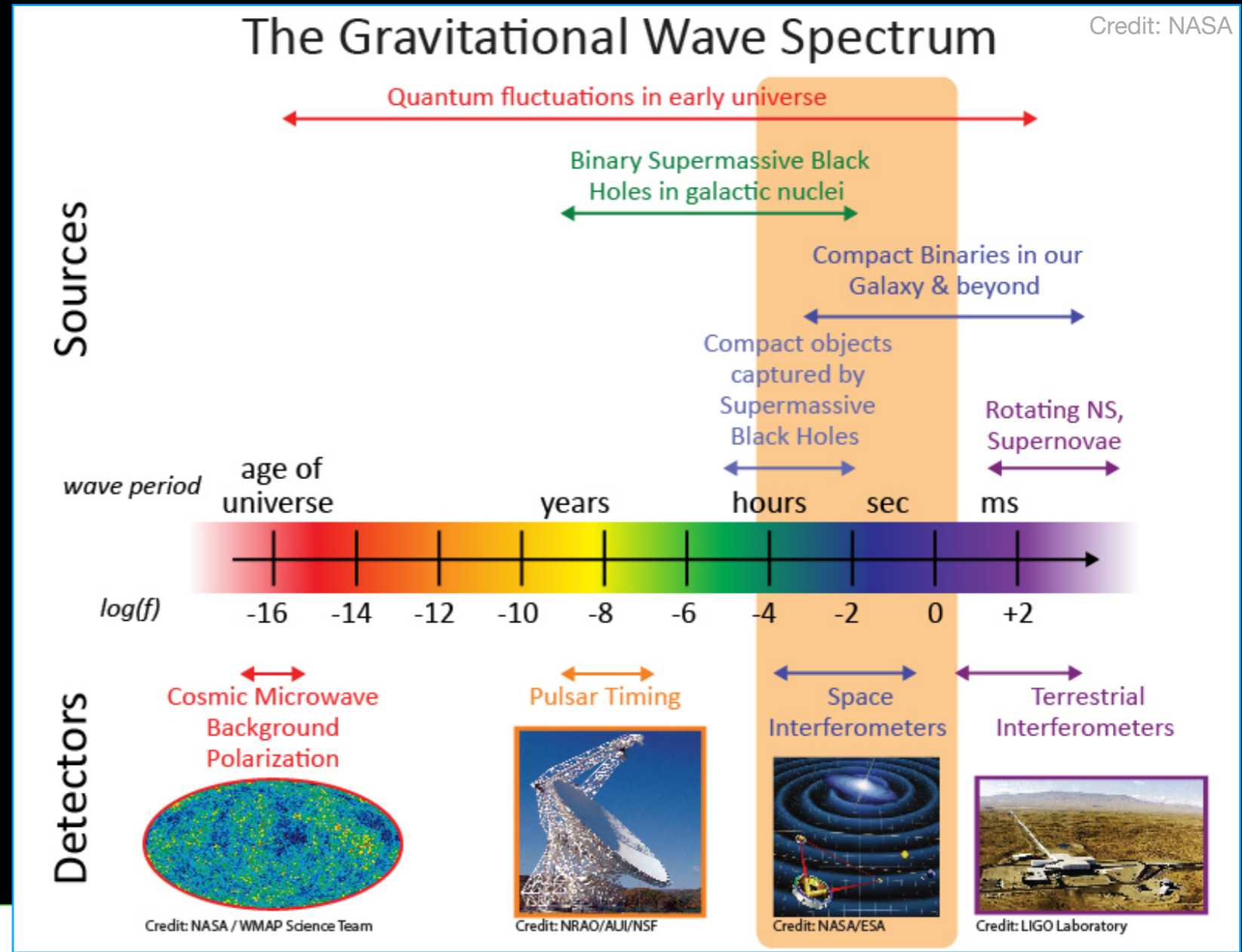
Credit: T. Pyle, Caltech/MIT/LIGO Lab

The gravitational wave spectrum

Different GW instruments observe at different frequencies / wavelengths



Different target sources



The gravitational wave spectrum



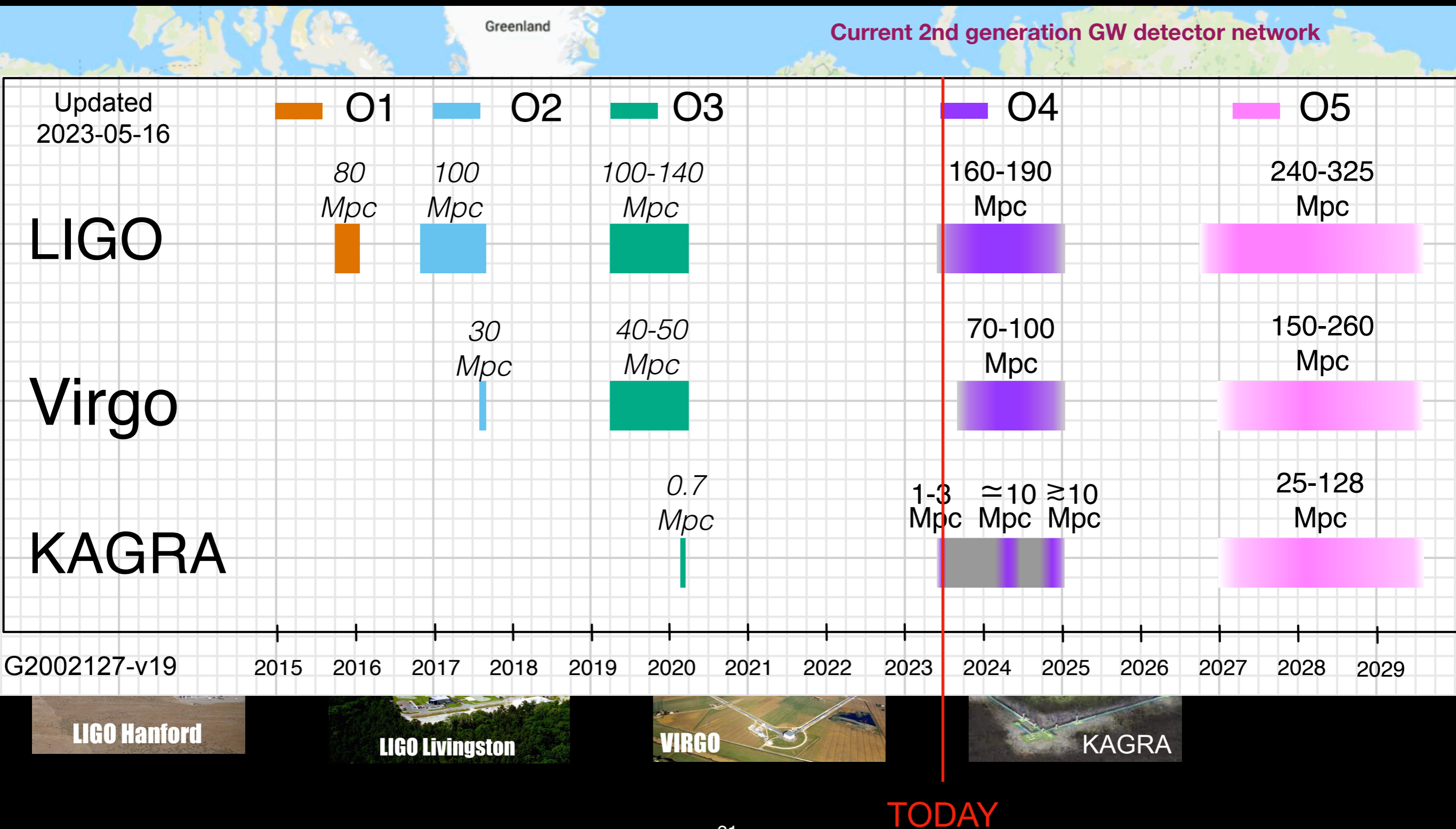
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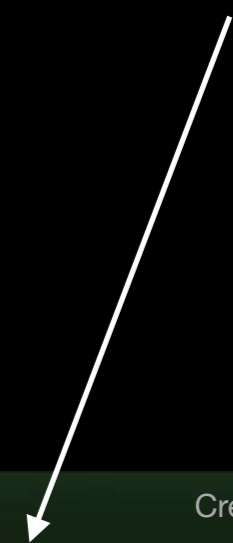
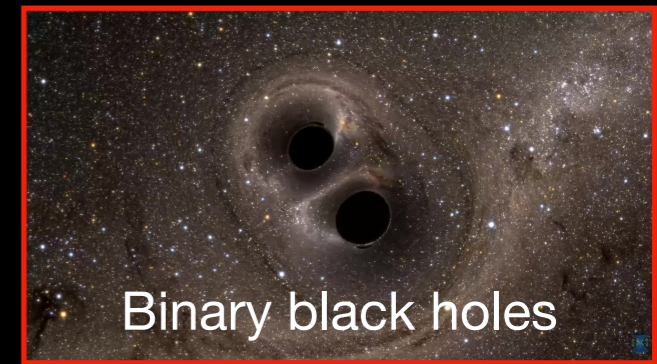


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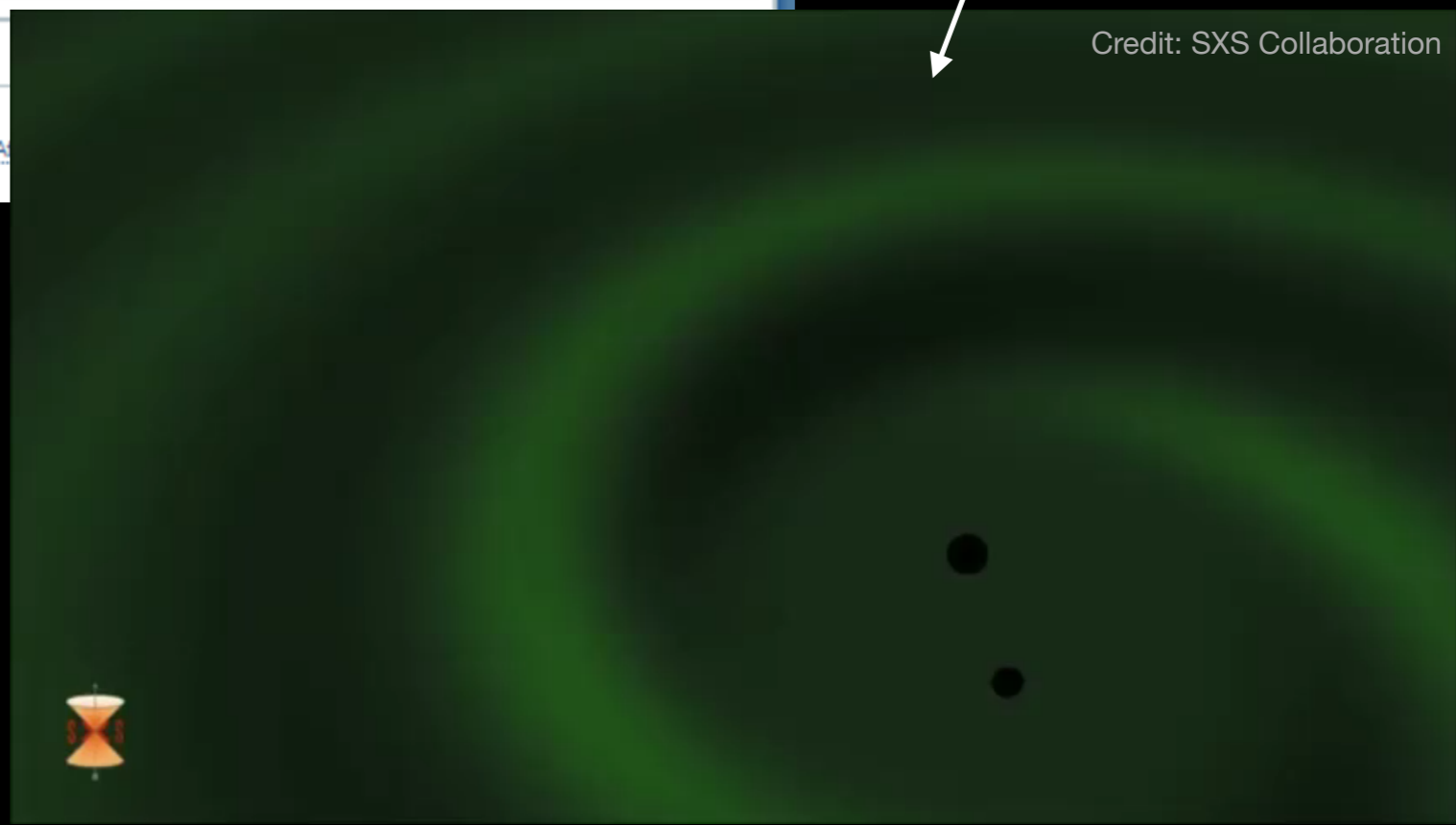


GW150914: the first gravitational wave detection

The screenshot shows the LIGO Scientific Collaboration website. At the top, there are navigation links for Home, Español, Magyar, LIGO Lab, Join, and LSC/external. The LIGO logo is on the left, and the URL www.ligo.org is in the center. Below the logo is a navigation bar with links for News, Magazine, Advanced LIGO, LIGO science, Educational resources, For researchers, Multimedia, Partners, and About. The main content area features a large banner with the text "Gravitational Waves Detected 100 Years After Einstein's Prediction" and an image of gravitational waves. To the right of the banner is a video player for a trailer titled "LIGO, the Path to Detection". Below the banner are two columns of news and press releases. The "NEWS" column includes items from Feb 24, 2016 ("LIGO members to testify on the discovery at US Congress") and Feb 17, 2016 ("LIGO-India approved"). The "PRESS RELEASE" column includes an item from Feb 11, 2016 ("Gravitational Waves Detected 100 Years After Einstein's Prediction").



2015: first detection of gravitational waves



GW150914: the first gravitational wave detection



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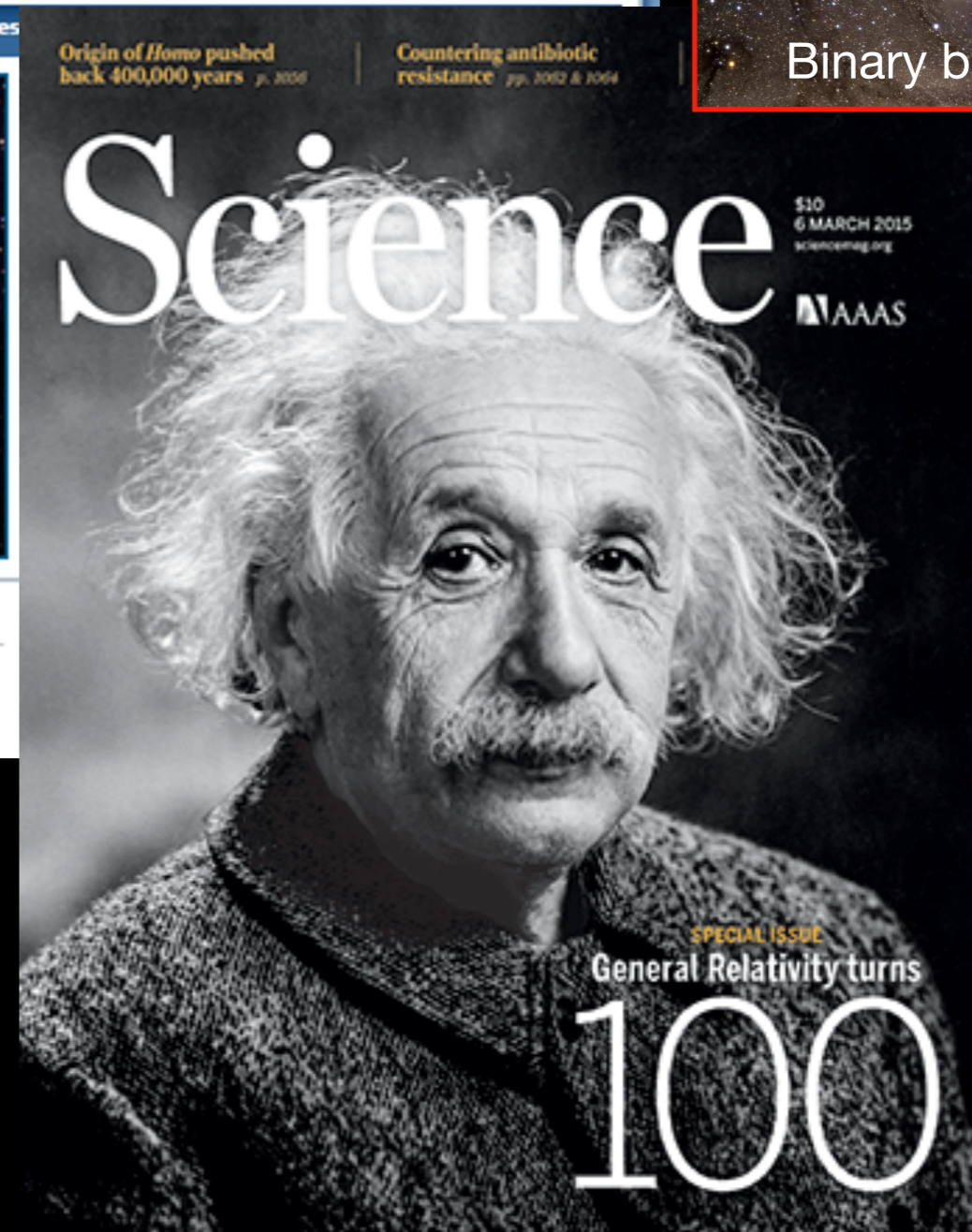
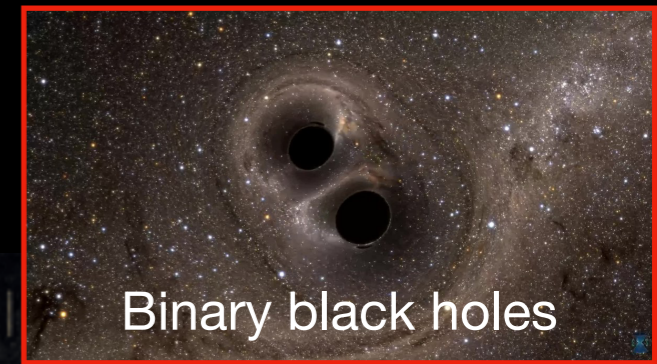
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AAAS

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2015: first detection of gravitational waves

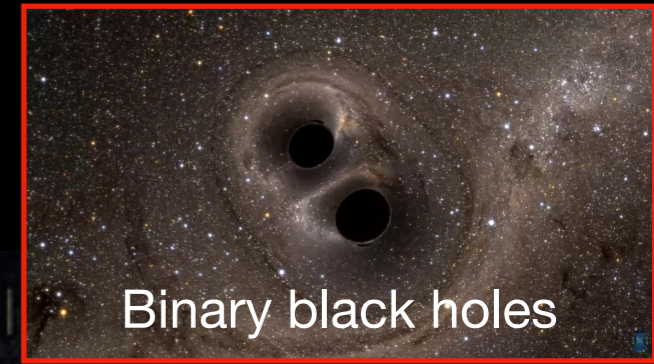
1915: Einstein proposes the theory of general relativity

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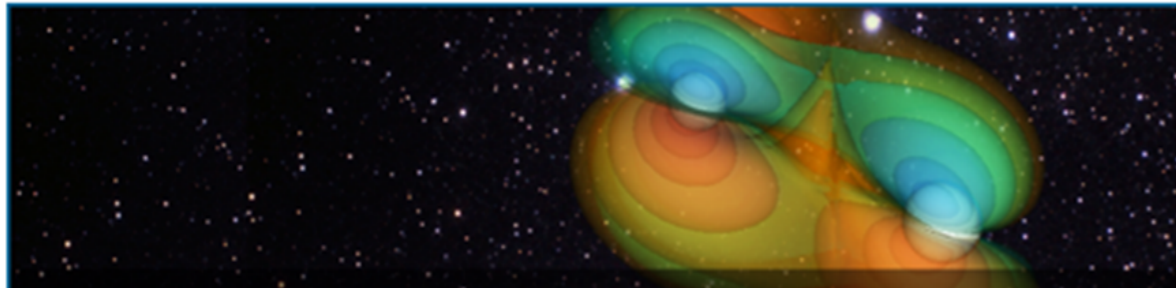
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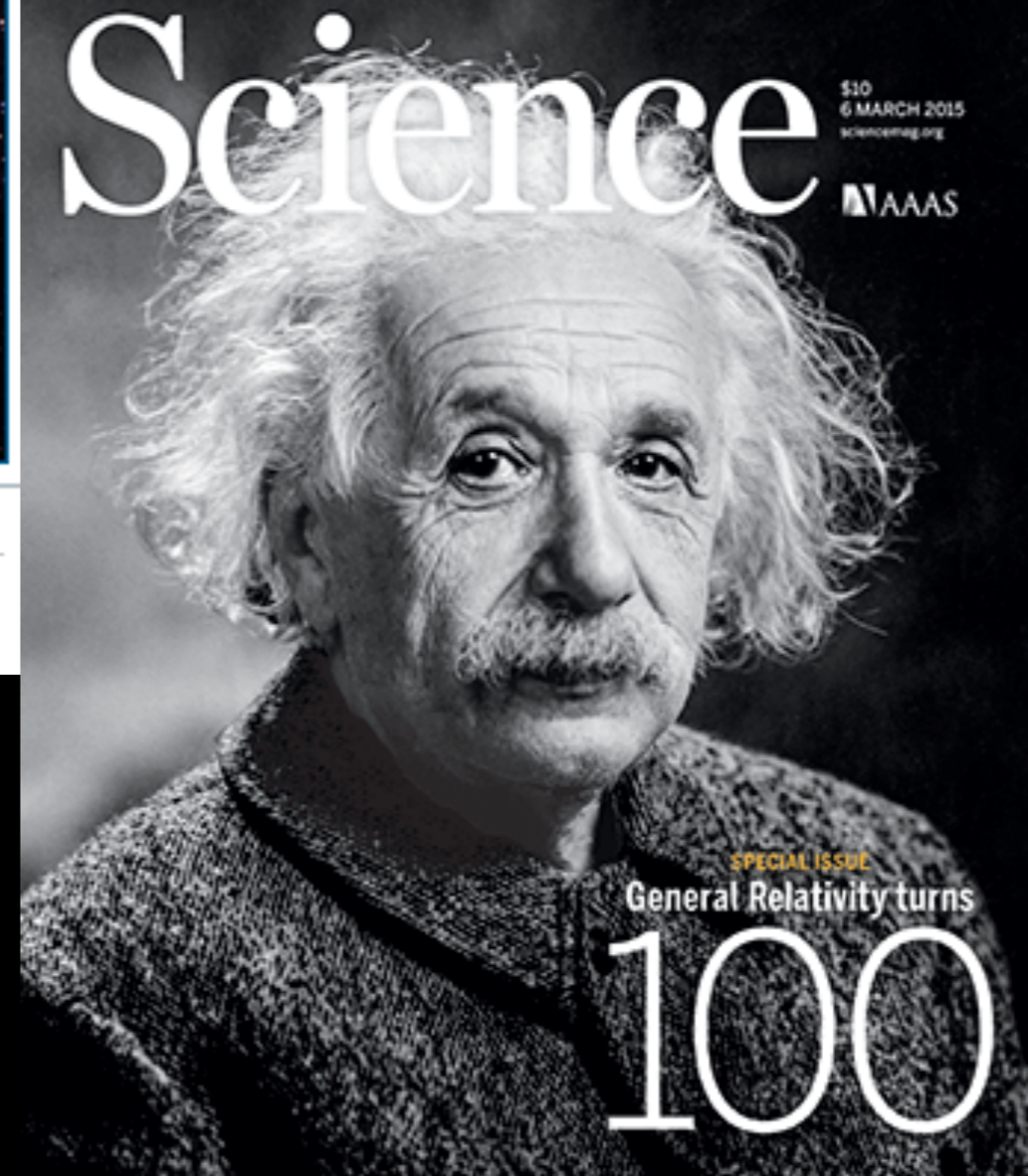
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2017 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS



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"for decisive contributions to the LIGO detector and the observation of gravitational waves"

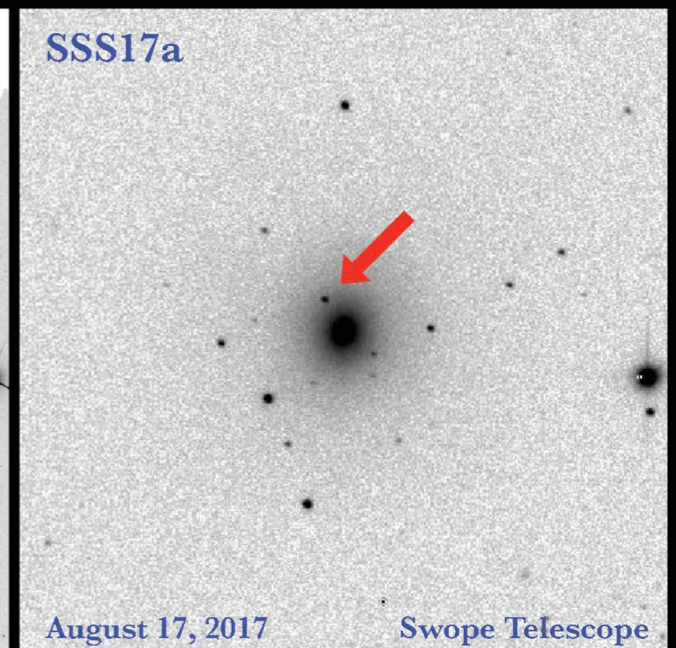
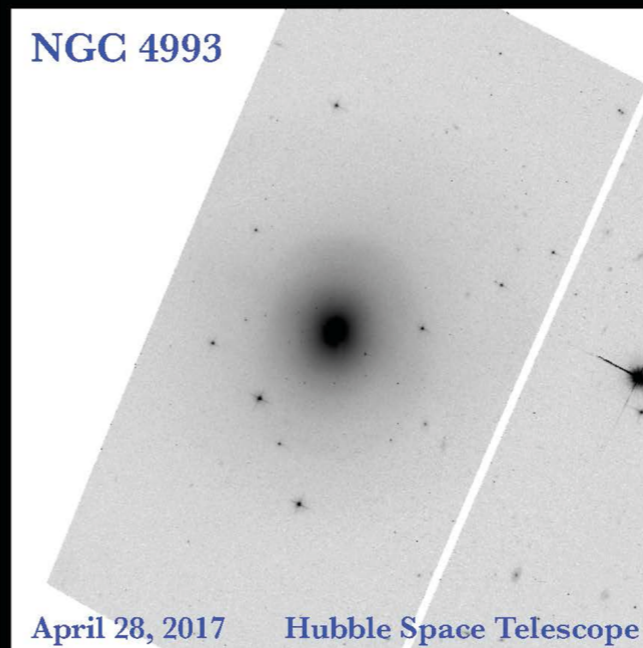
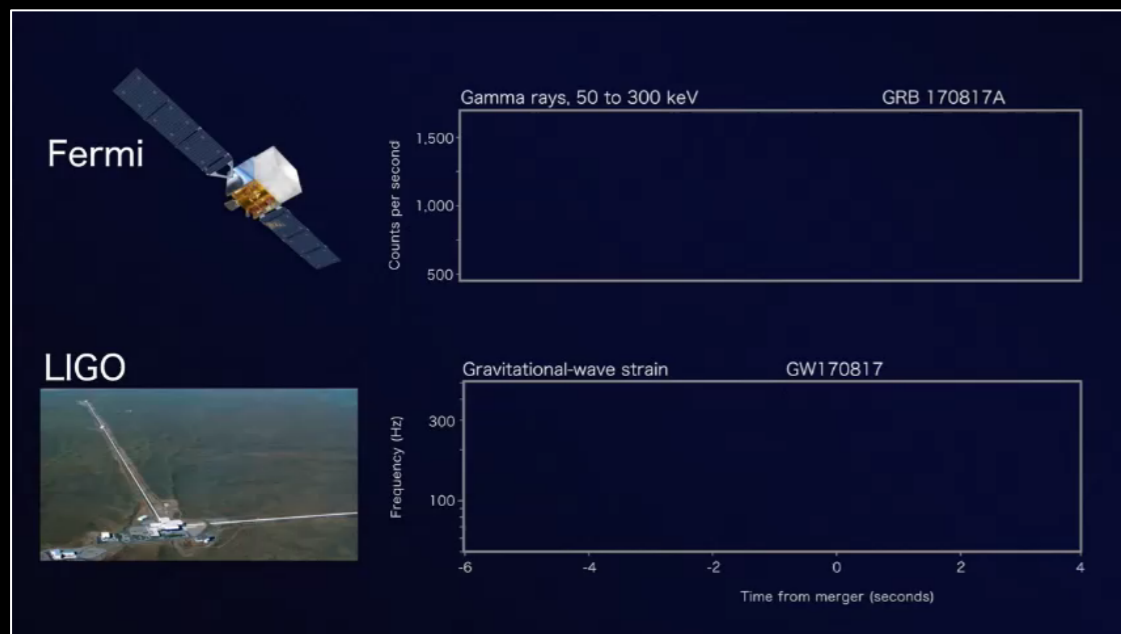
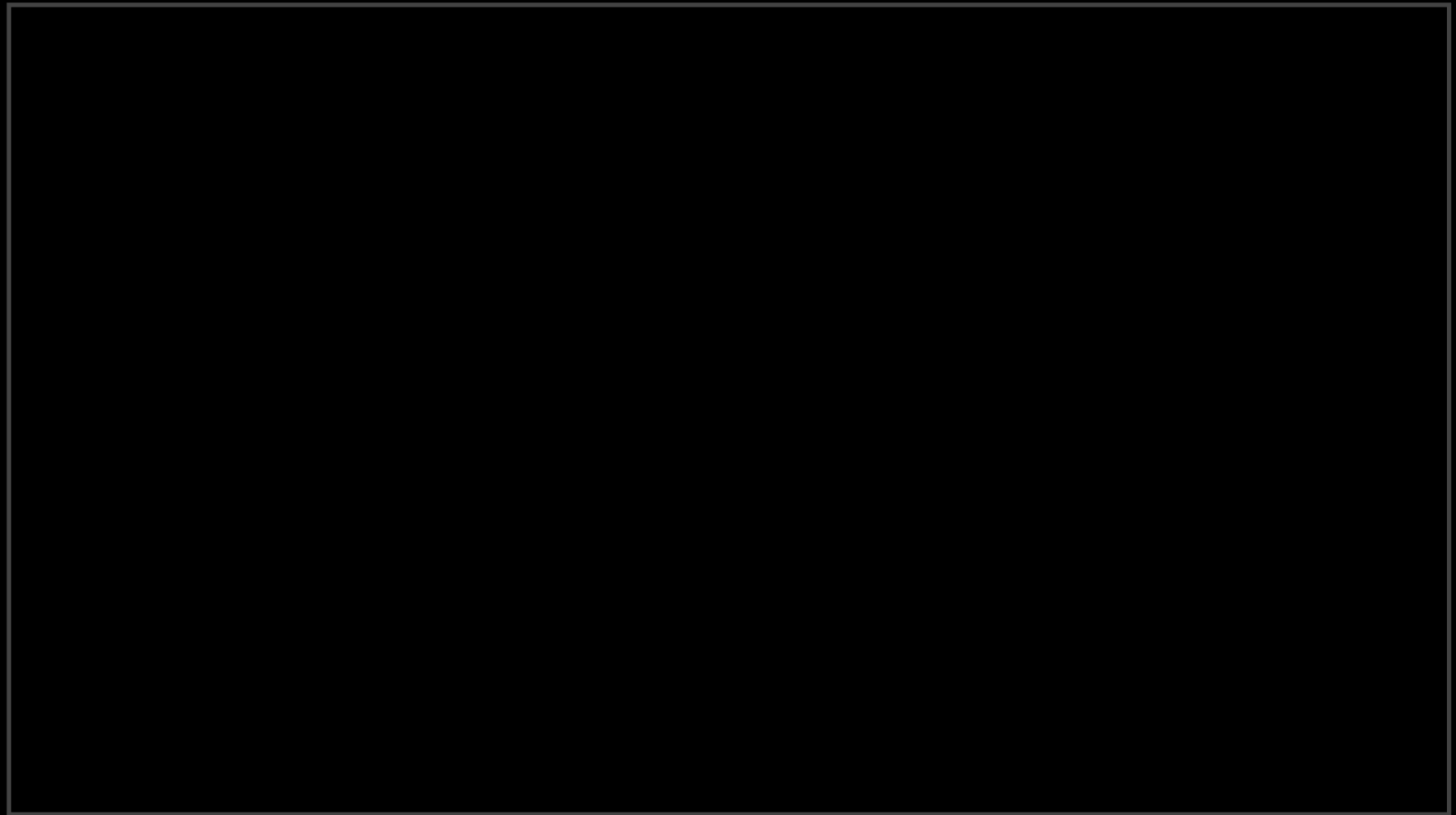
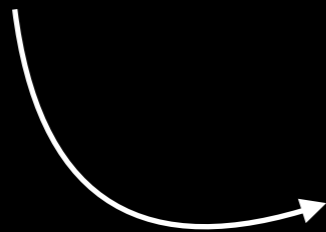
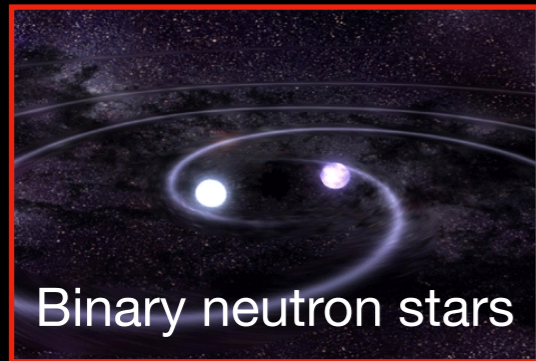


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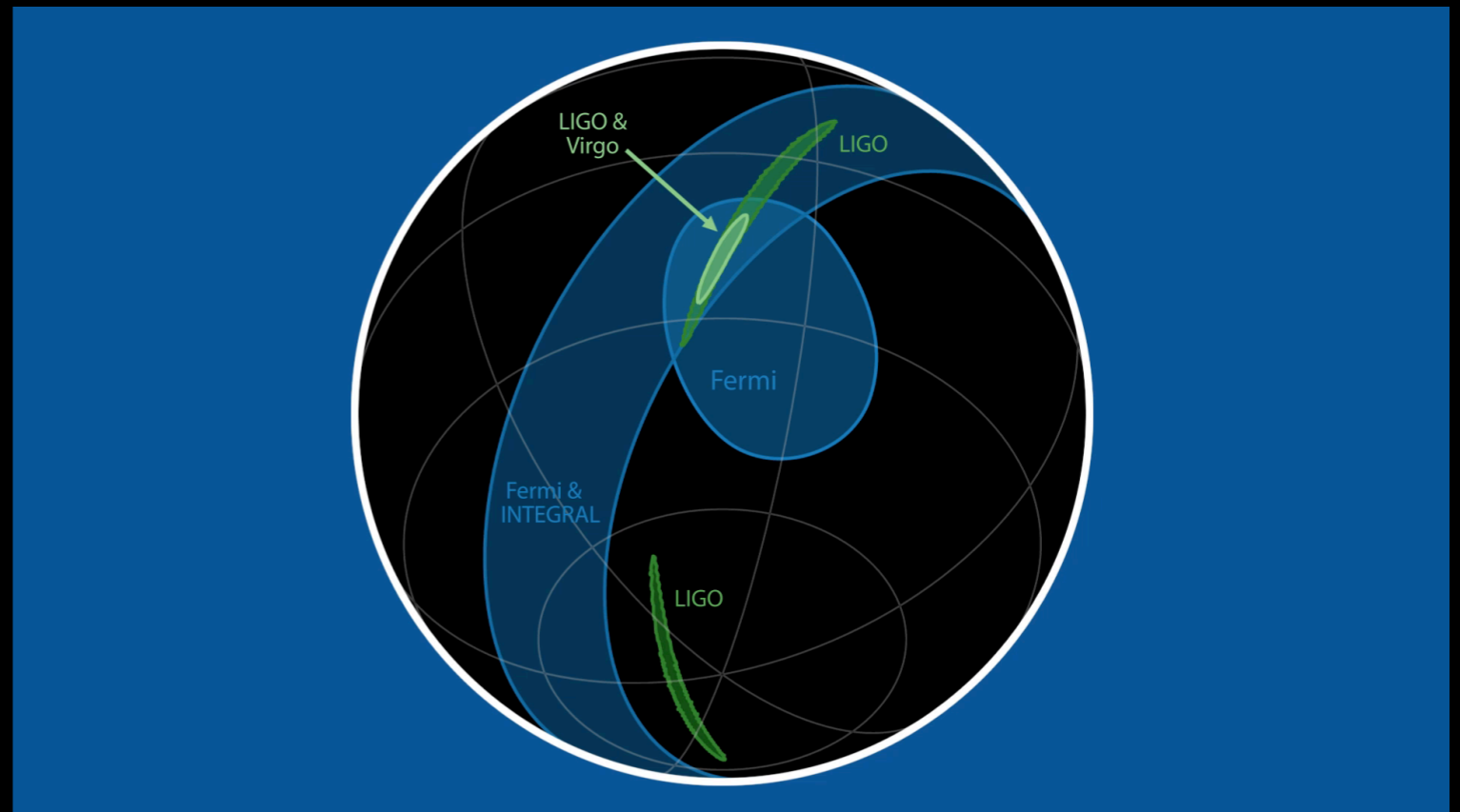
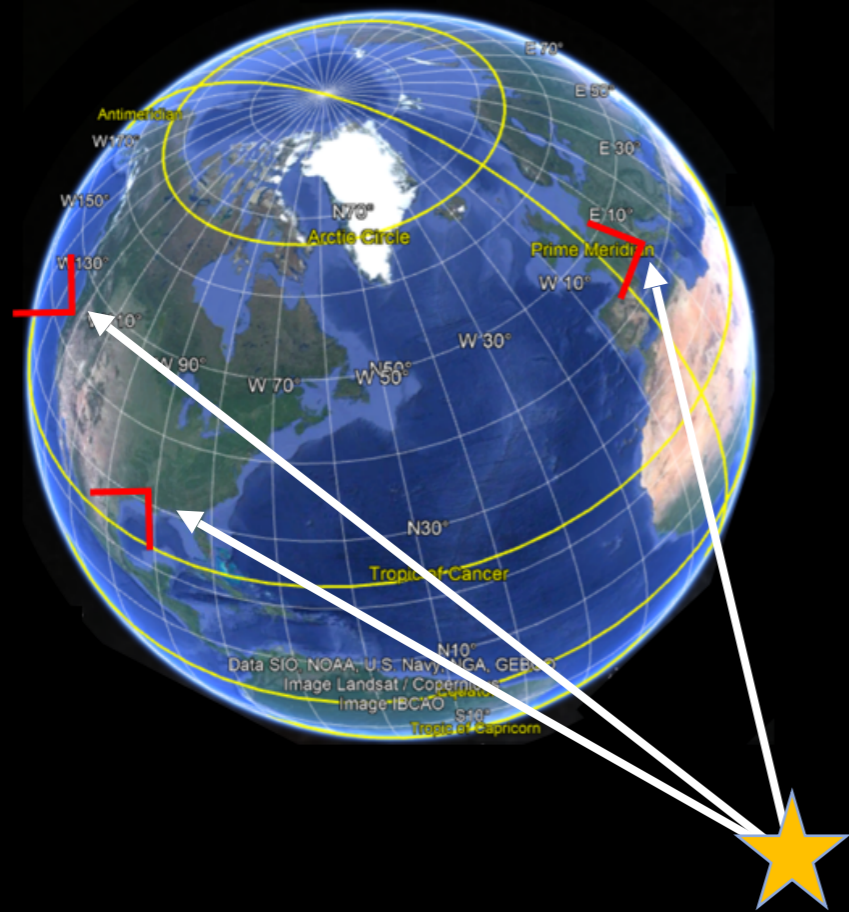
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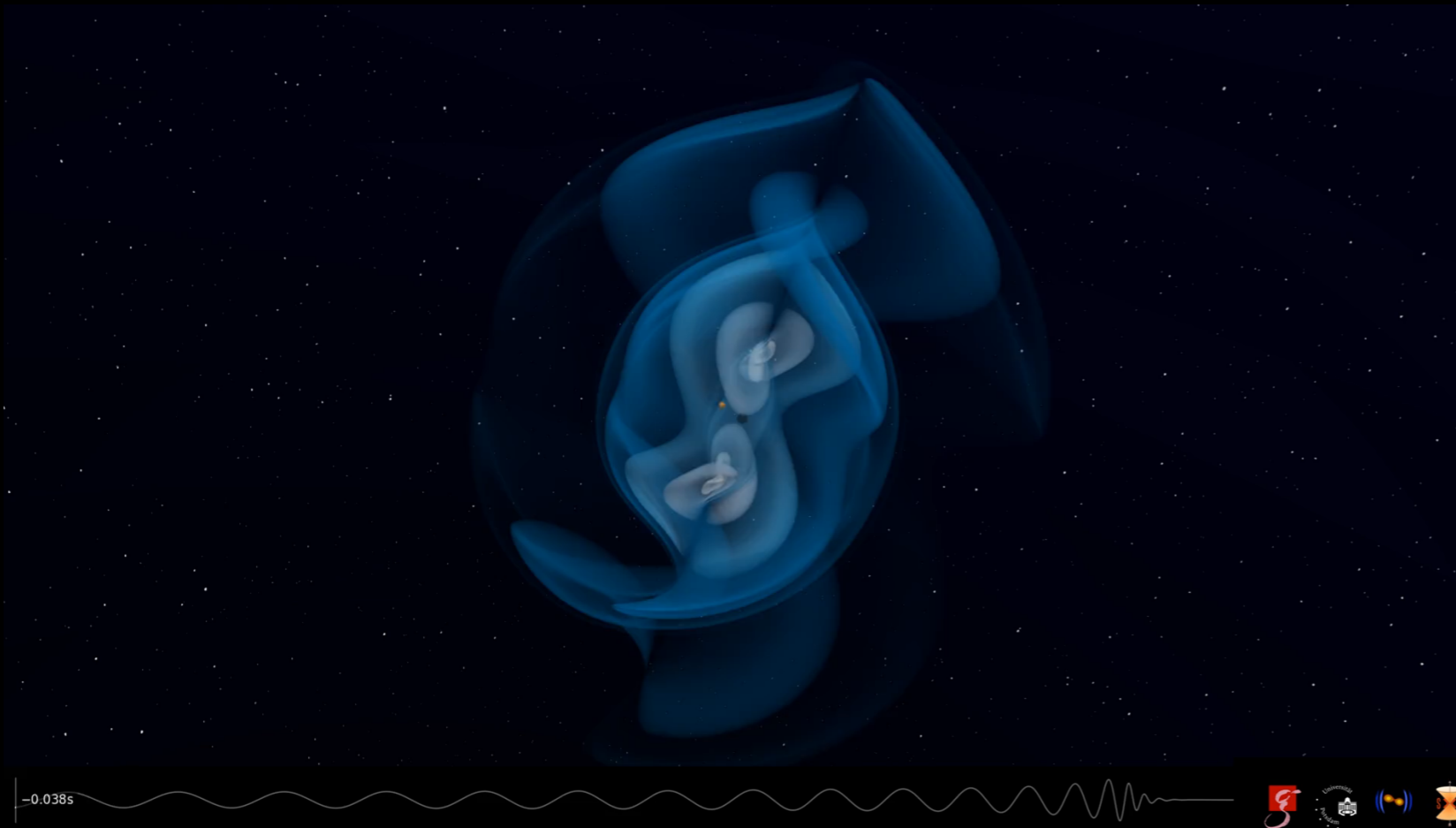
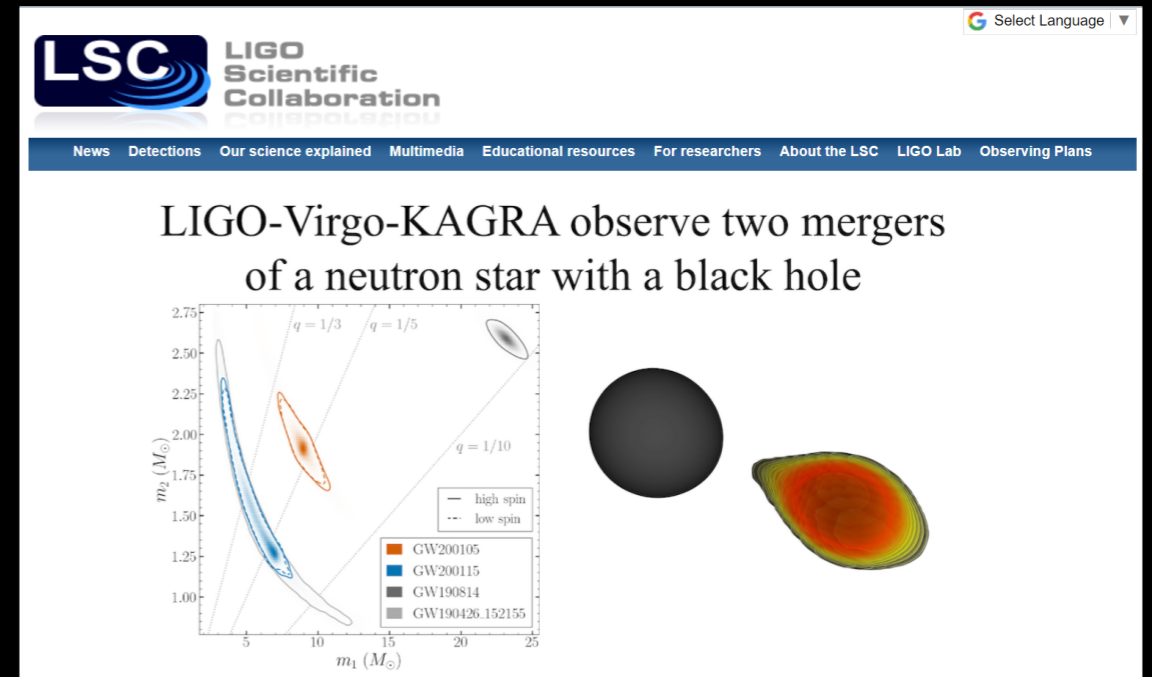
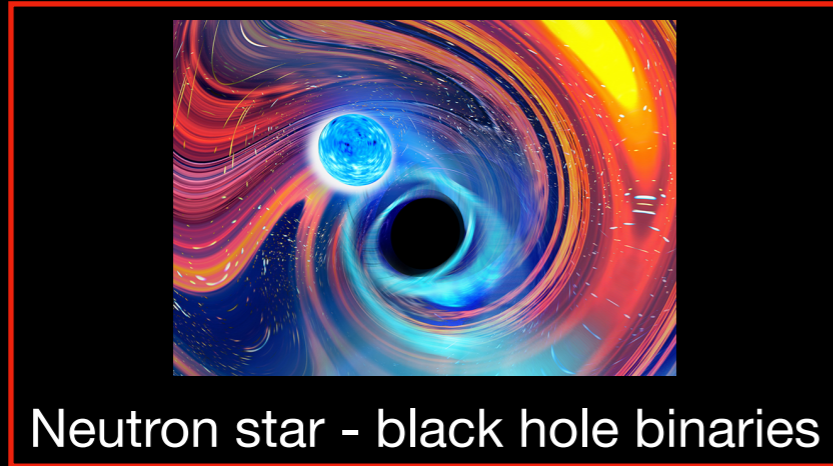
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Multiple detectors allow for a better sky-localisation thanks to triangulation

Helping telescopes to find the associated electromagnetic signal



GW200115: a neutron star - black hole merger

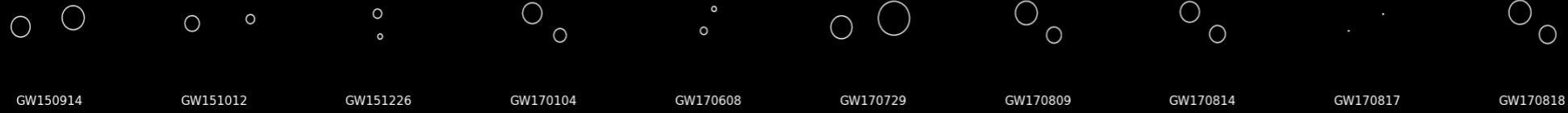


~3 neutron star - black hole binaries detected so far

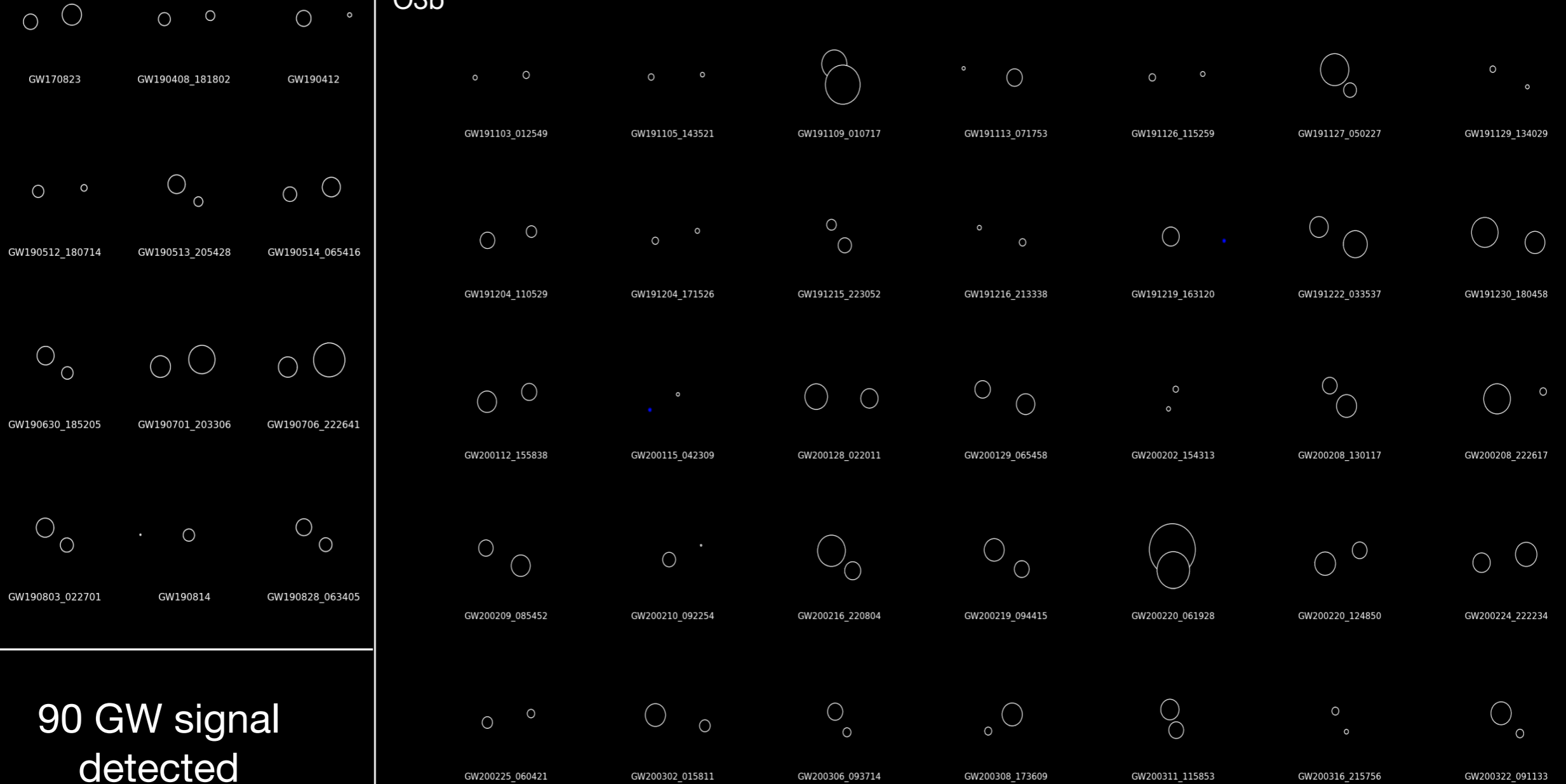
No electromagnetic counterpart

All LIGO-Virgo detections so far

O1 - O3a



O3b



90 GW signal detected

Zoheyr Doctor / CIERA / LIGO-Virgo Collaboration

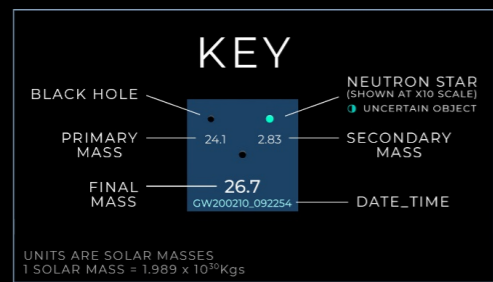
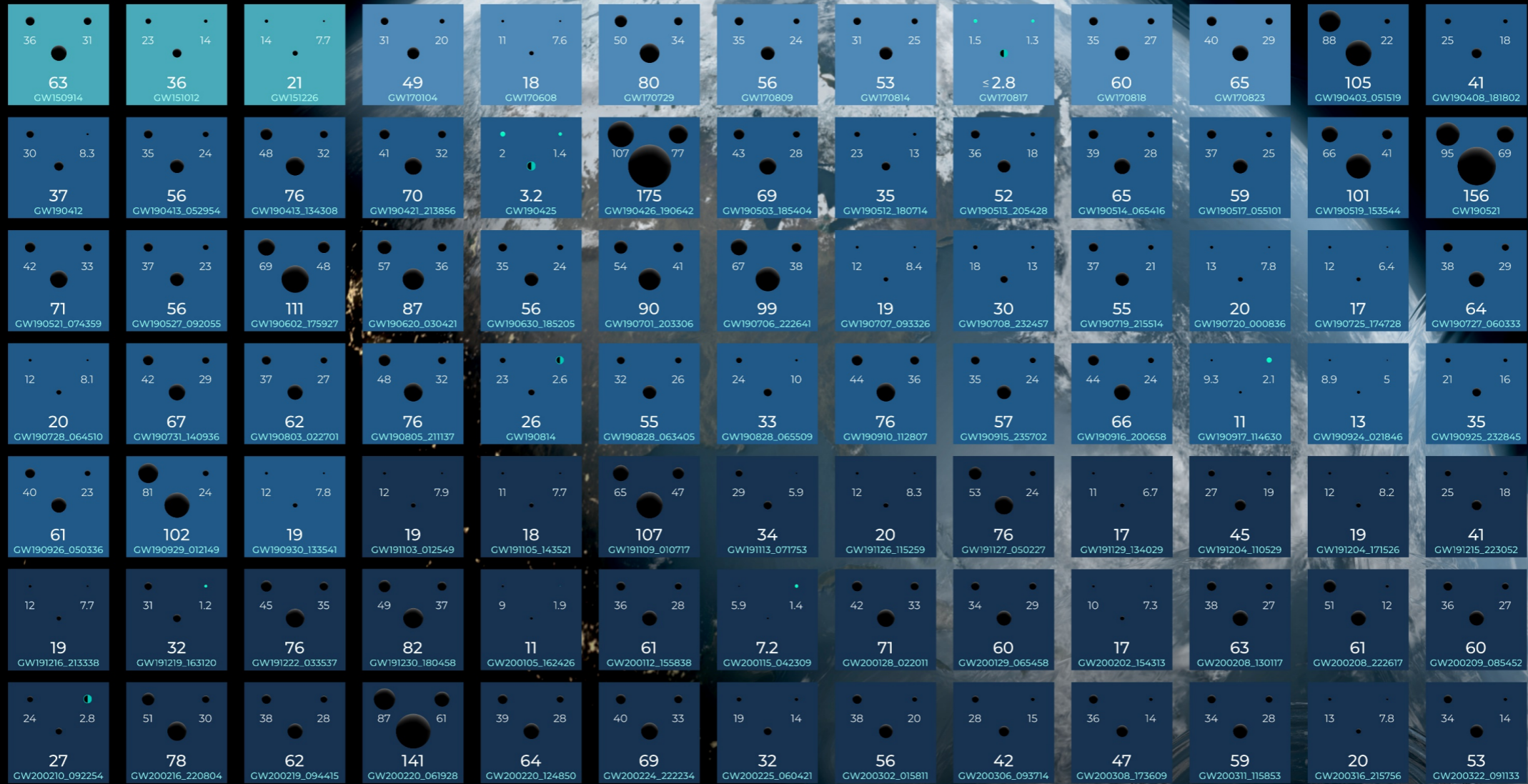
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OBSERVING
01
2015 - 2016

02
2016 - 2017

03a+b
2019 - 2020



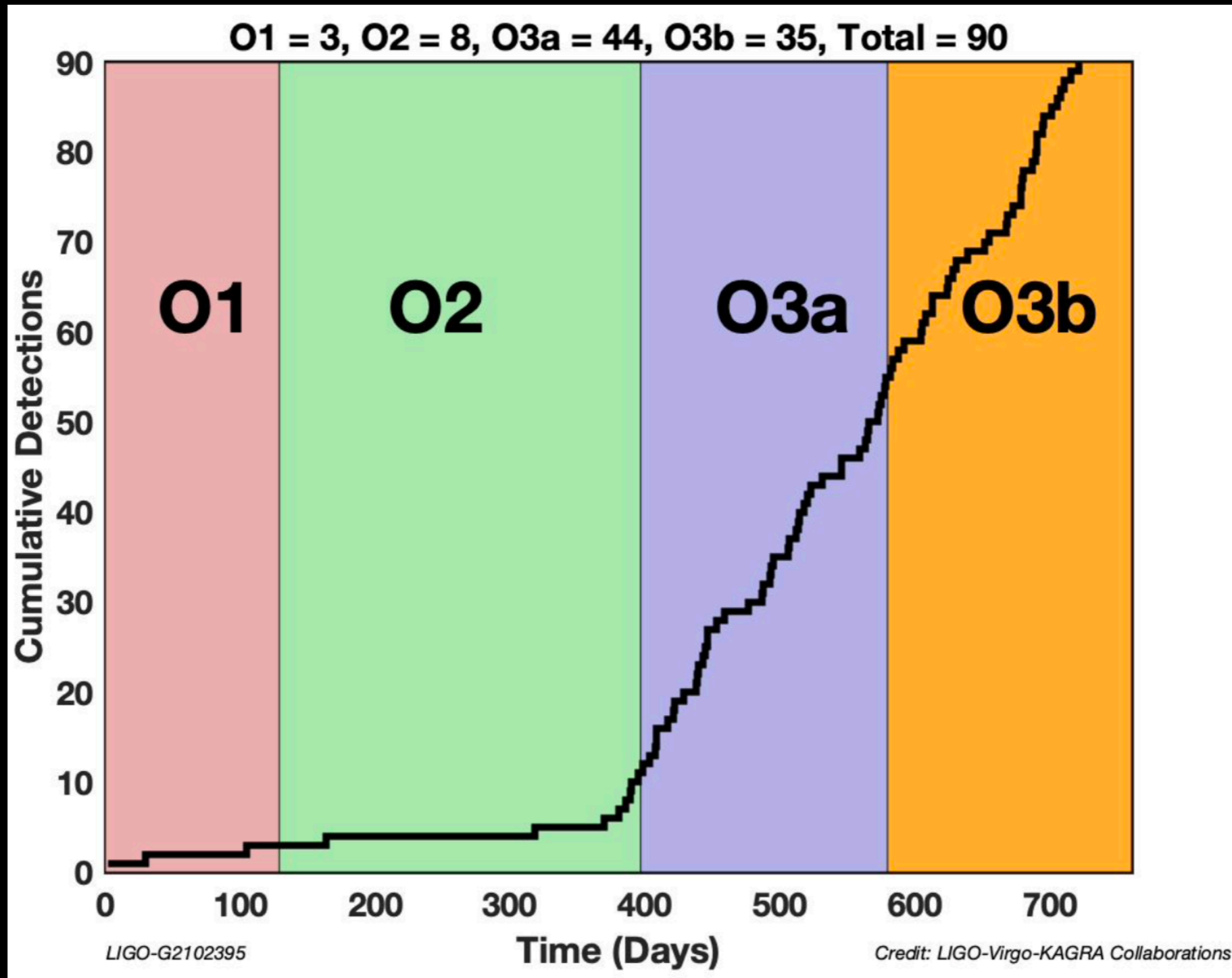
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ARC Centre of Excellence for Gravitational Wave Discovery

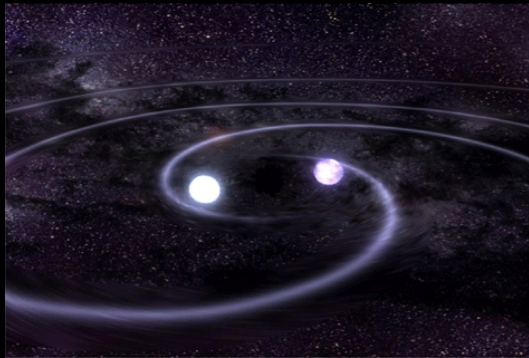


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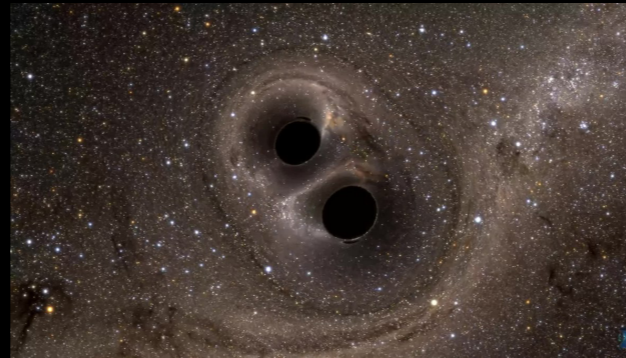


Astrophysical sources of gravitational waves

SOURCES ALREADY DETECTED BY THE LVK DETECTORS:



Binary neutron stars

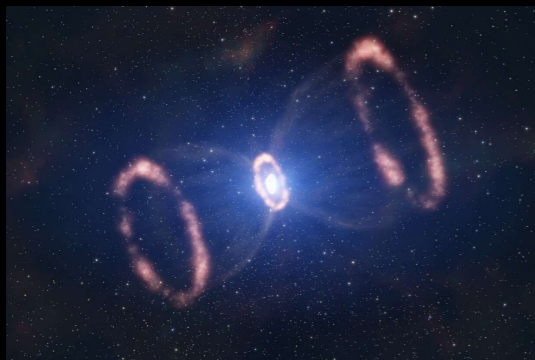


Binary black holes



Neutron star - black hole binaries

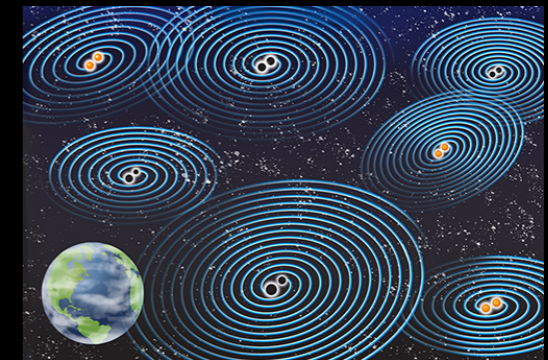
OTHER TARGETS FOR THE LVK DETECTORS:



Supernovae



Single (asymmetric) neutron stars

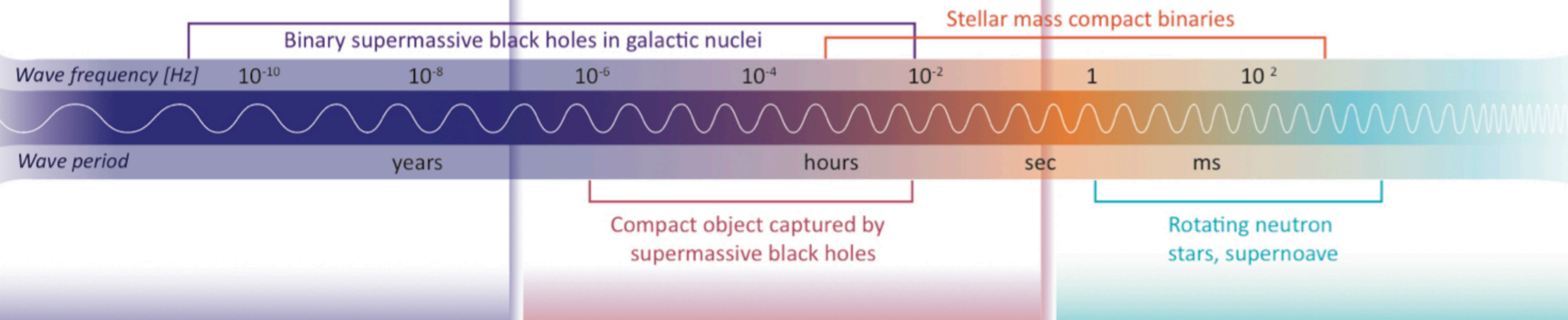
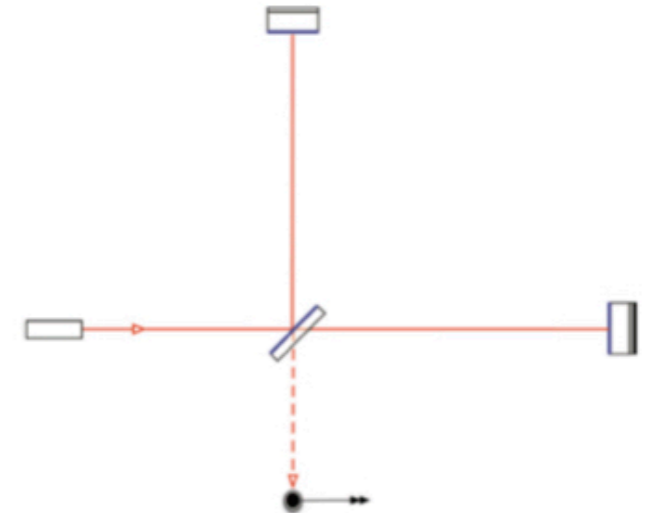
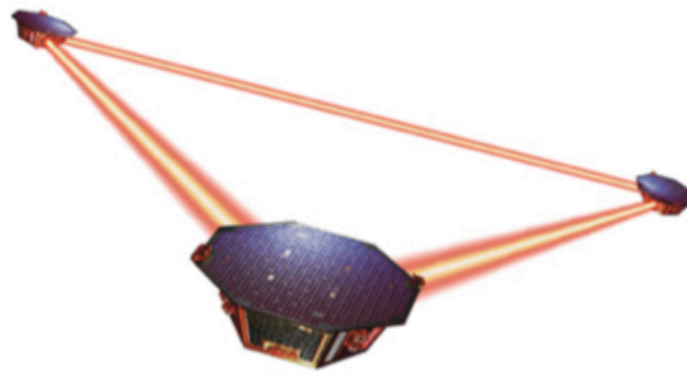
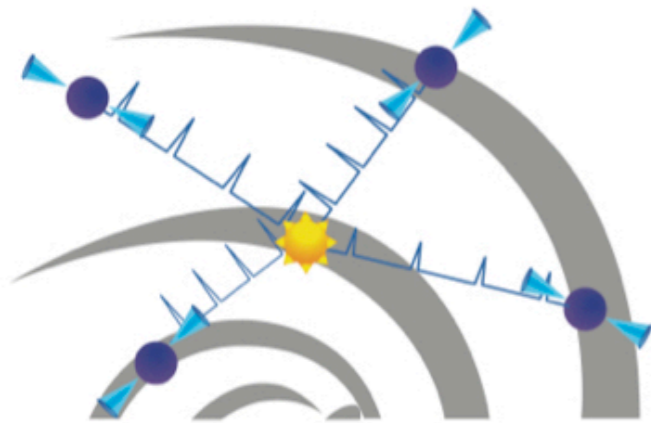


Stochastic GW background

CAN WE DETECT OTHER SOURCES?

GW sources across the spectrum

Gravitational Wave Observatories

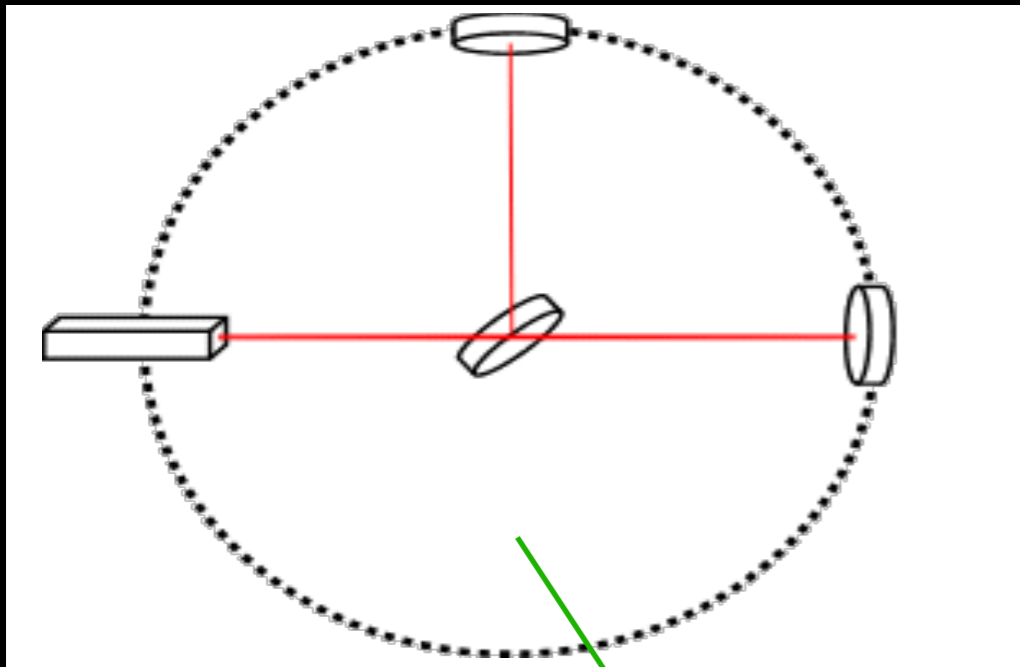




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How do we detect and characterise the signal?



How to extract the signal from the noise?

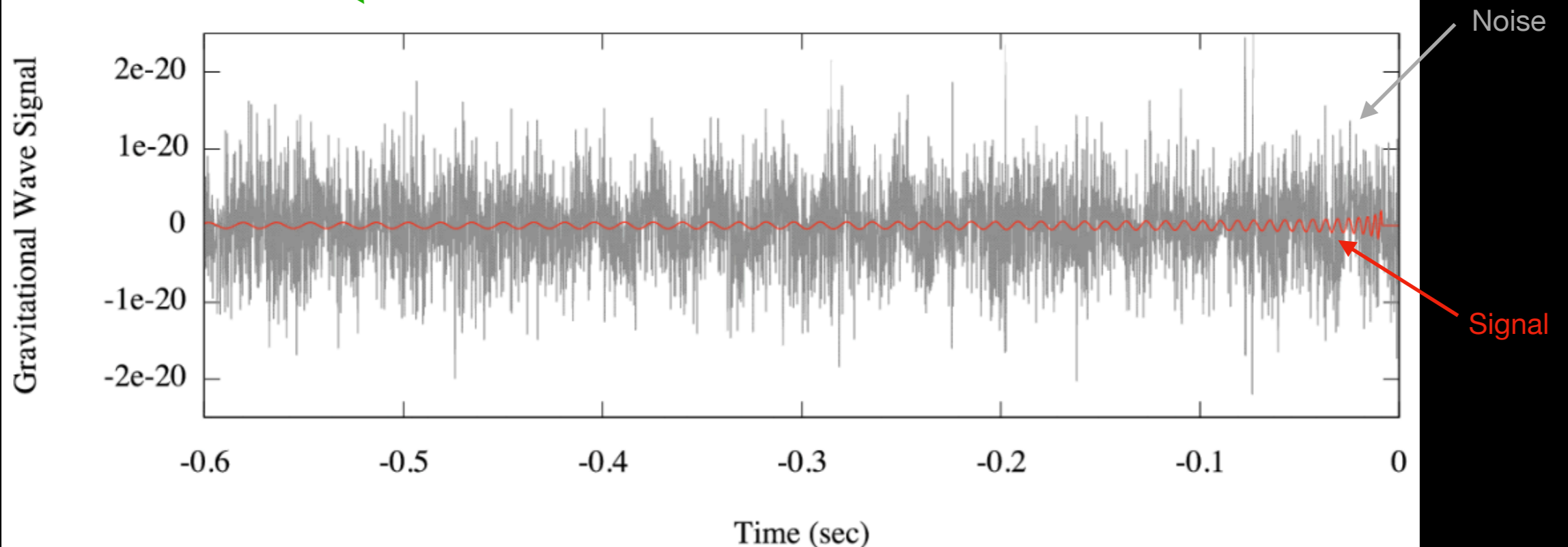
MATCHED FILTERING

Model the signal theoretically

Find and characterise the signal in the data efficiently

DATA

Example Inspiral Gravitational Waves with Noise

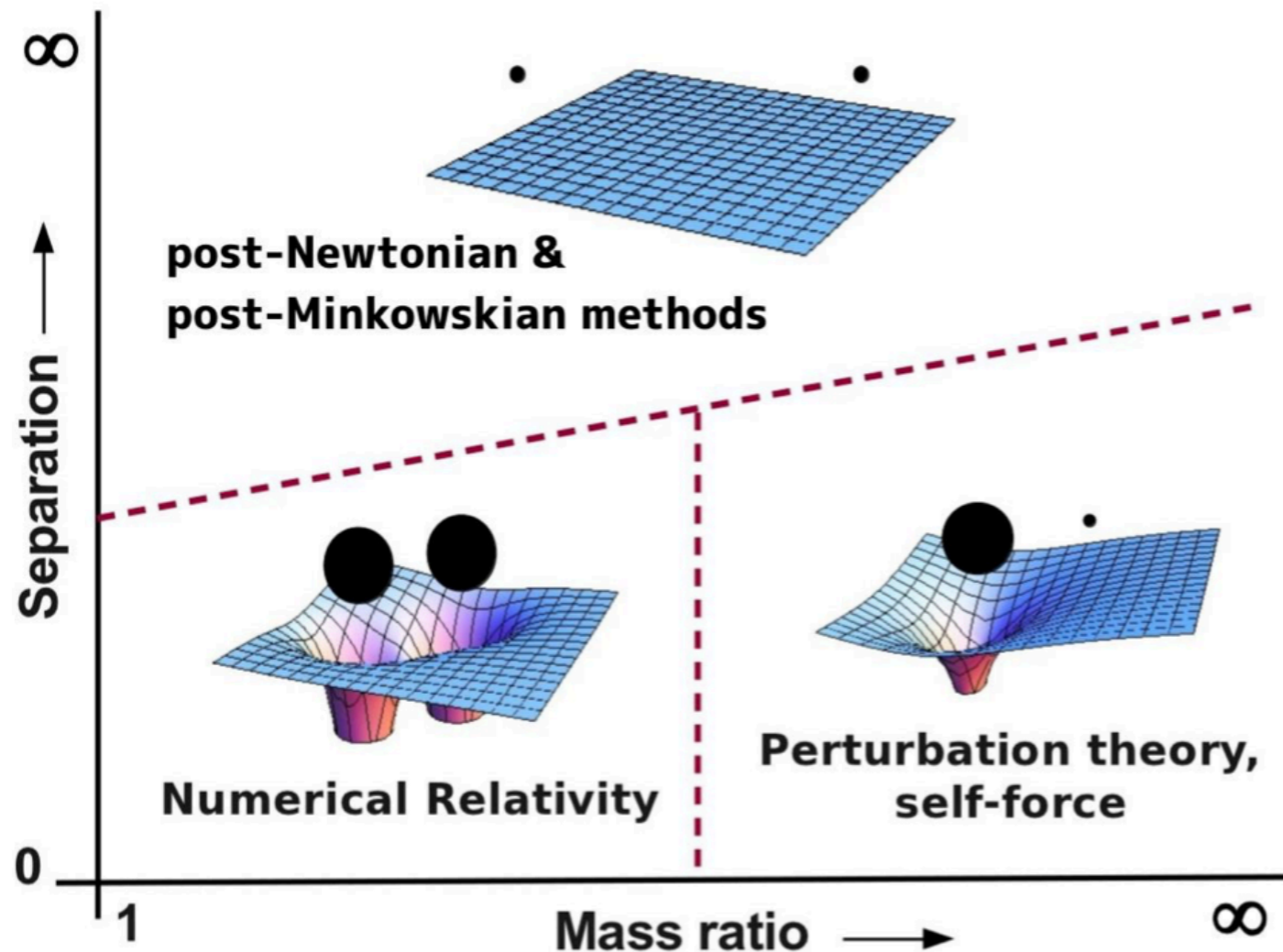


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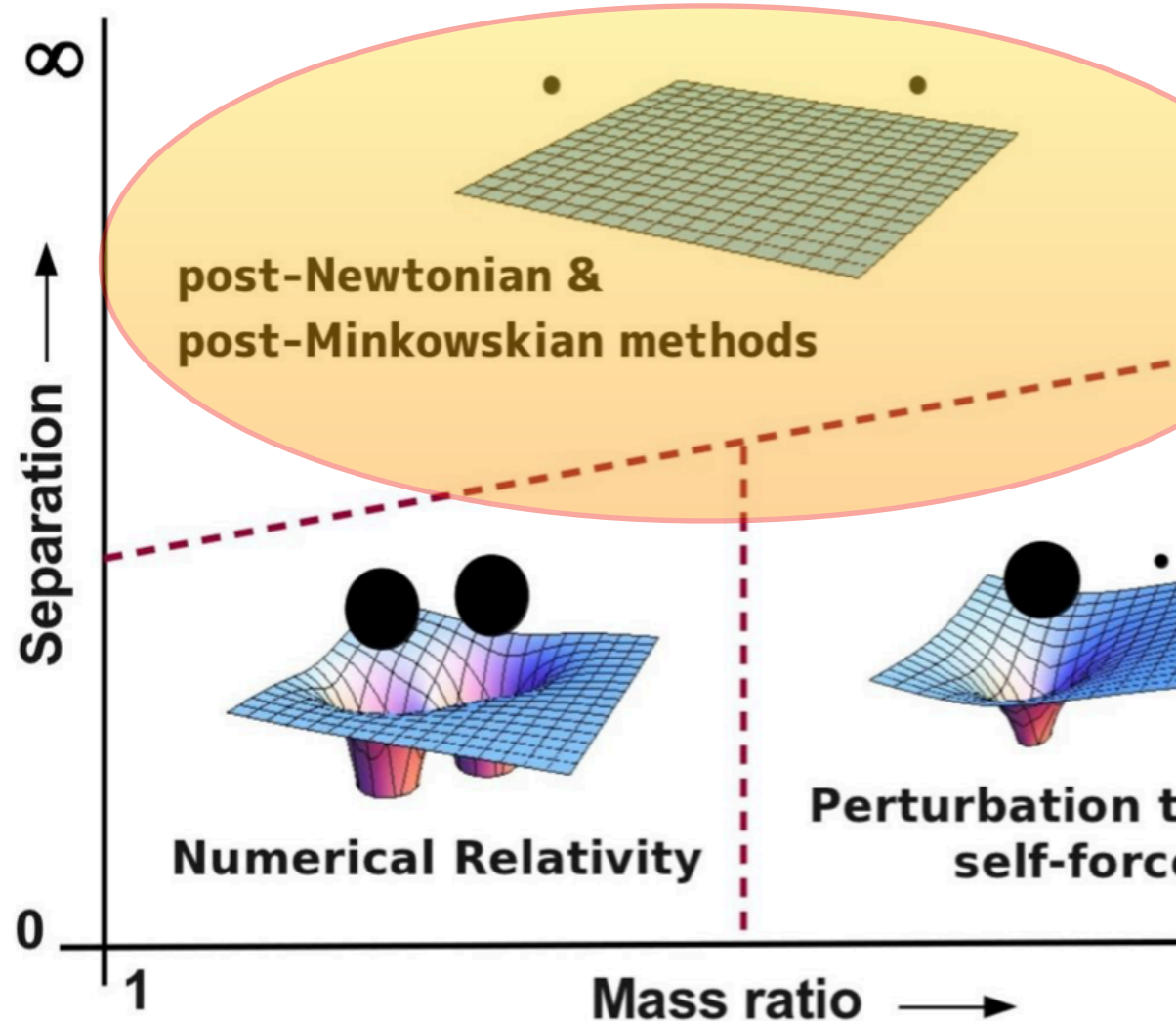


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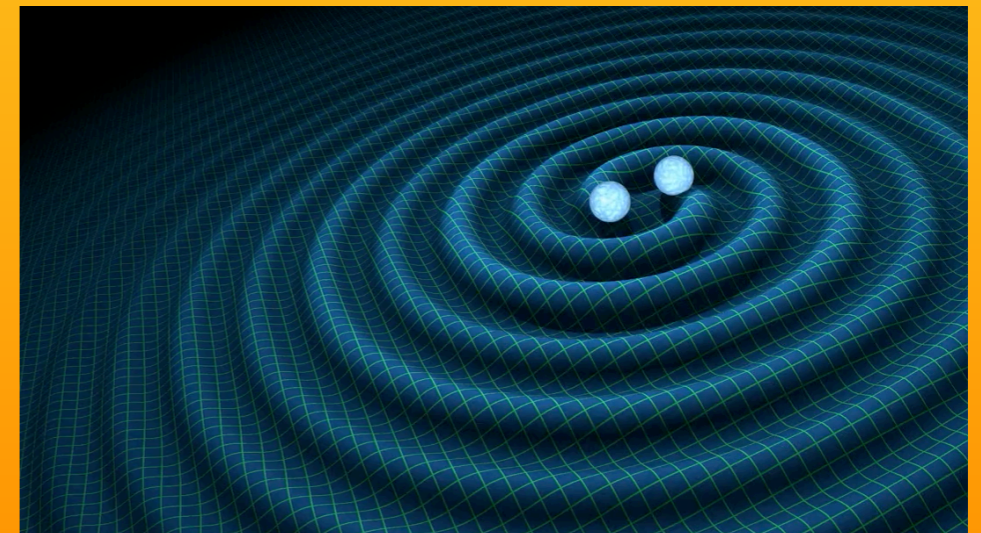
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Analytical methods based on expansion in small velocities / weak gravitational field over a flat spacetime

Very efficient in the *inspiral*, large separation phase, of a binary

Can be expanded to include information from other regimes using the *Effective One Body* approach

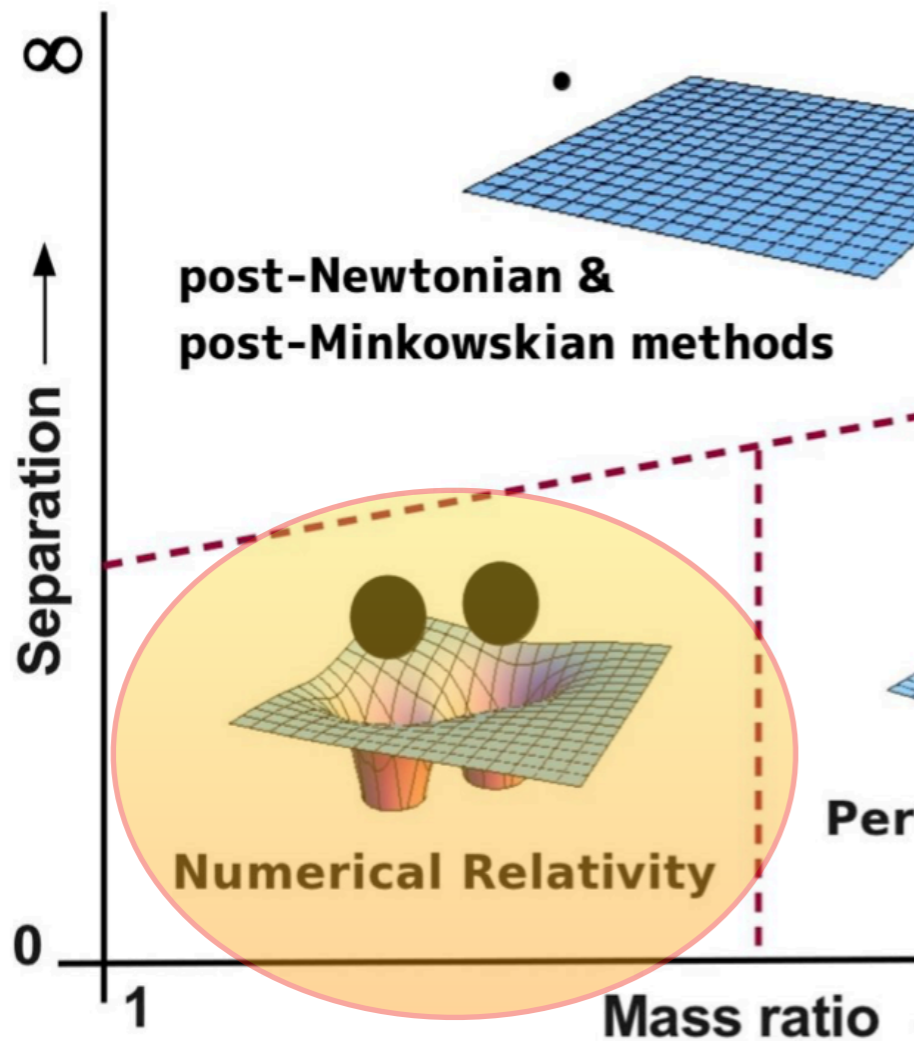


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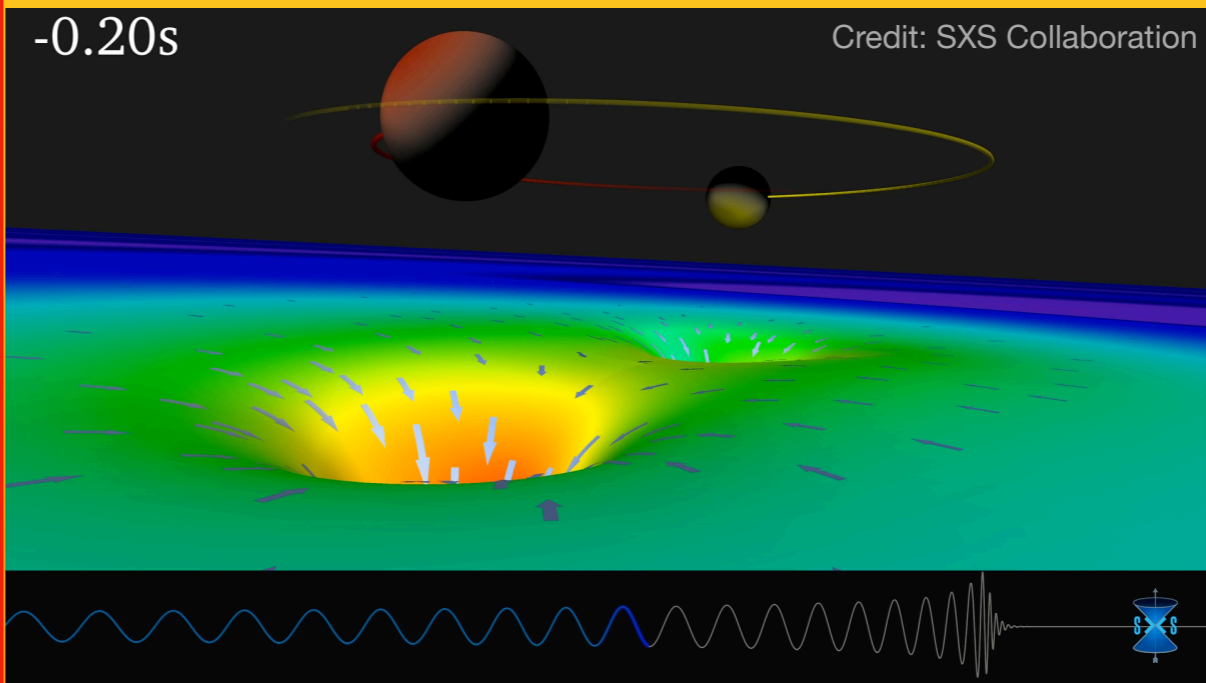
No analytical approach available

Fully numerical methods needed: solving the Einstein equation on a computer

Need high performance computing

-0.20s

Credit: SXS Collaboration



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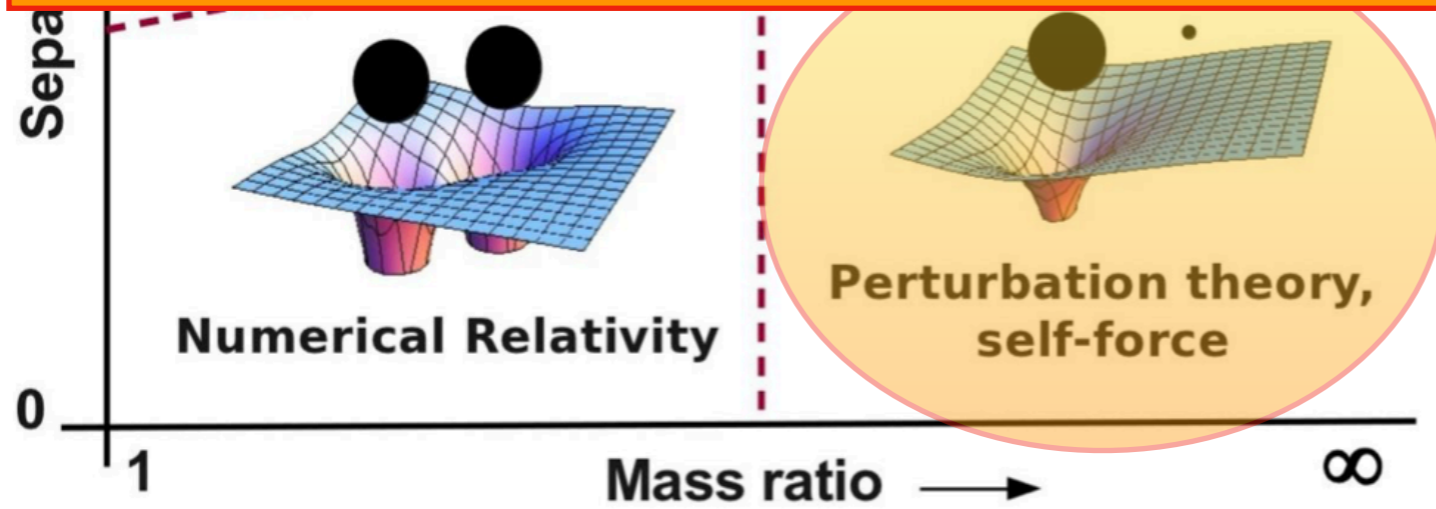
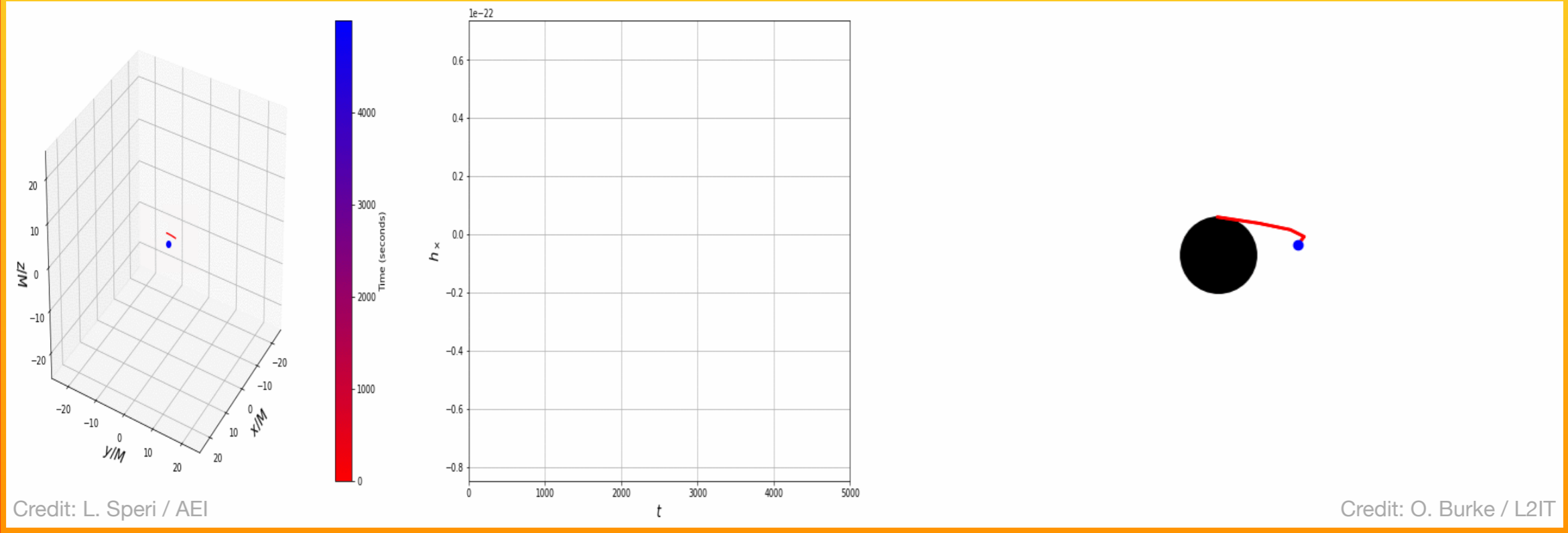
Modelling the GW signal from compact binaries

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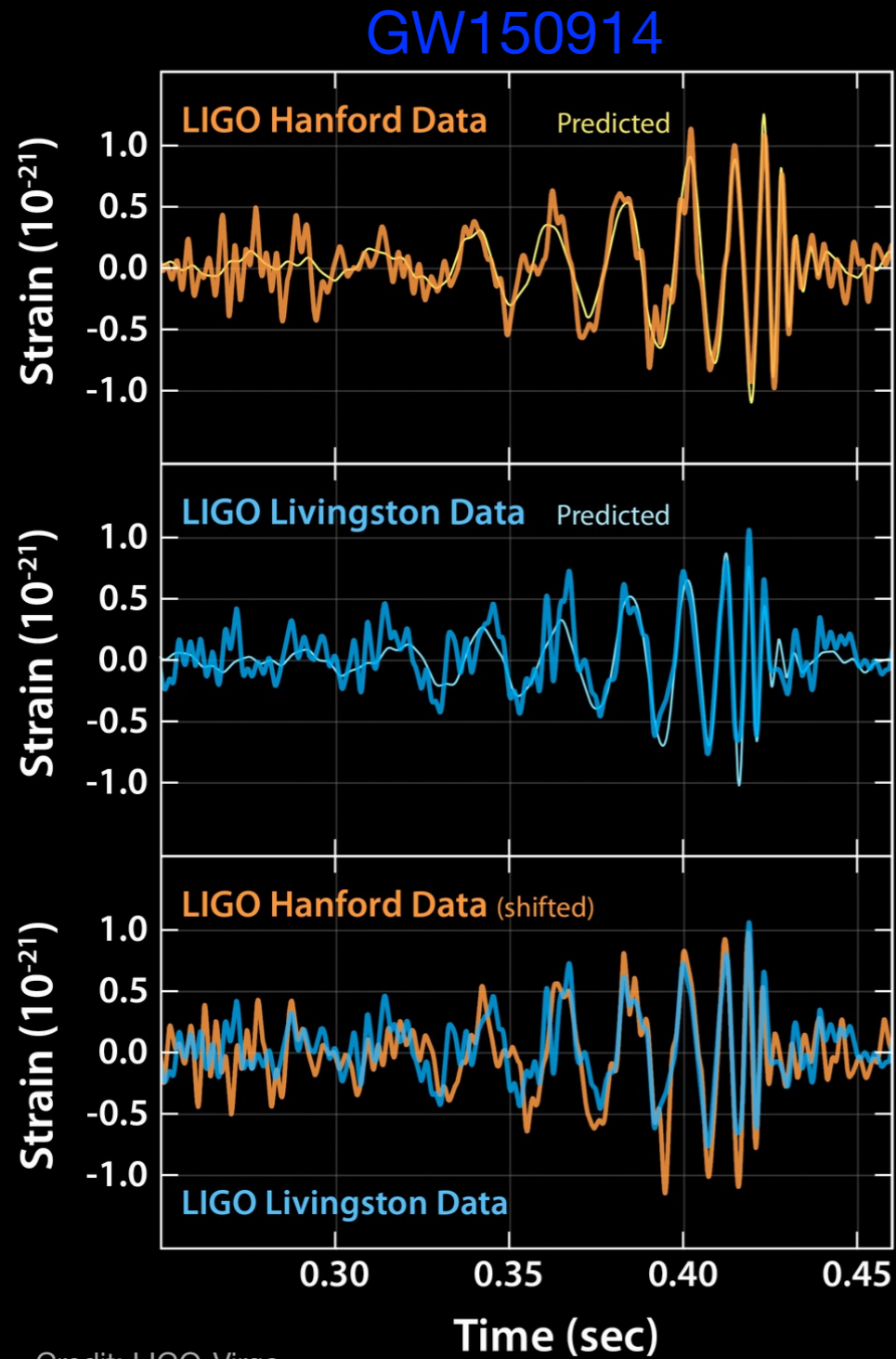
Need complex analytical techniques

Still an “unsolved” problem (very relevant for future detectors, in particular LISA)

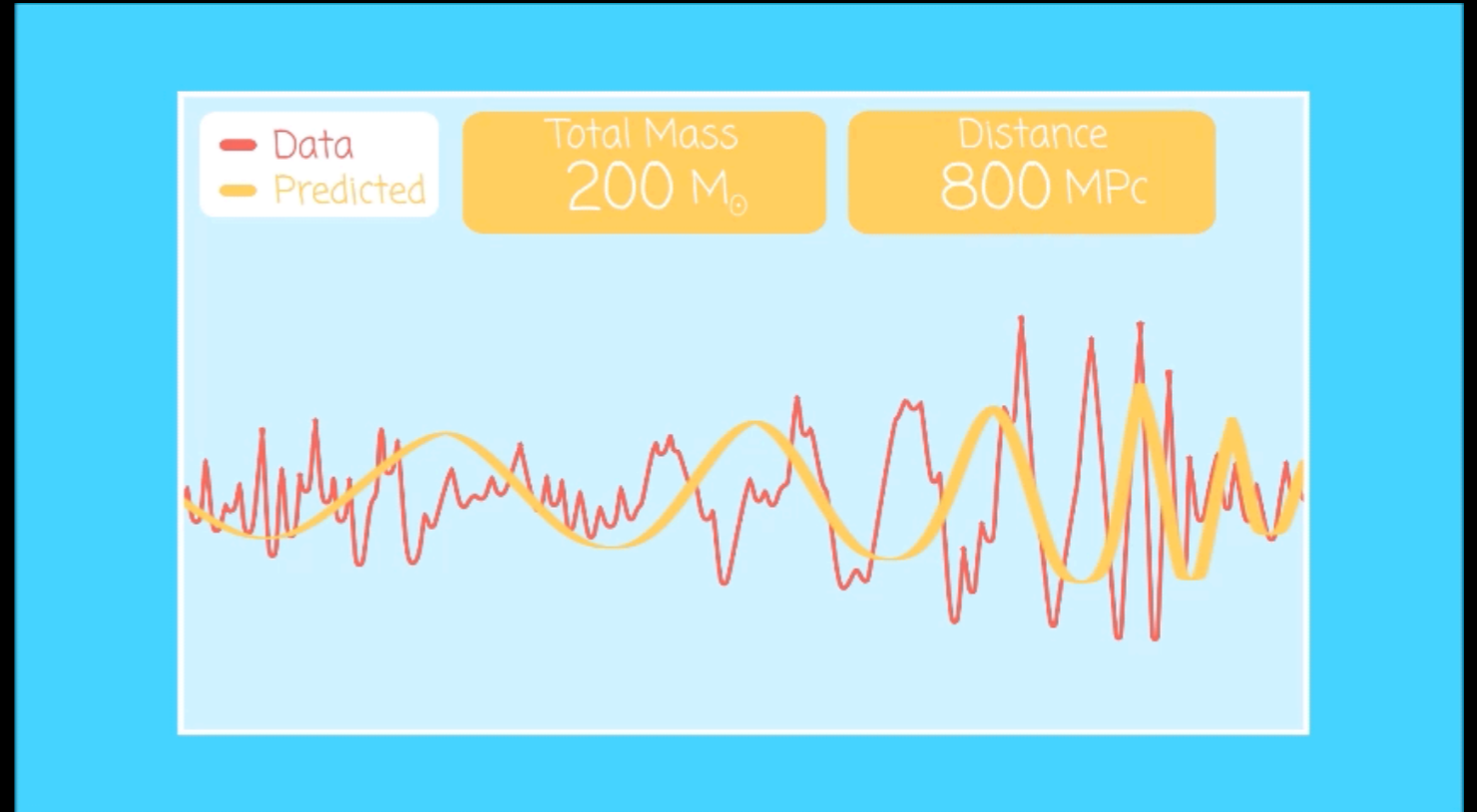


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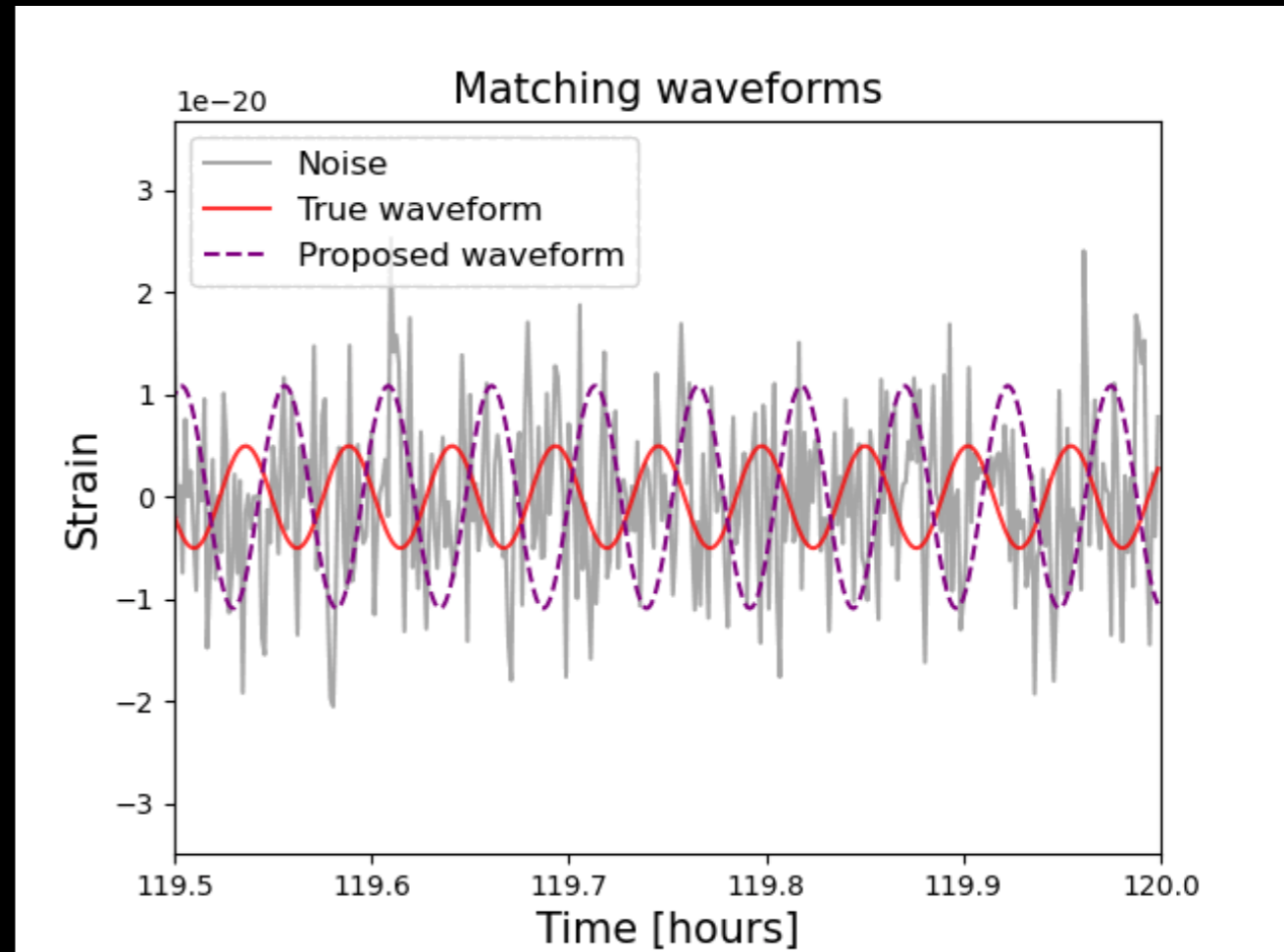
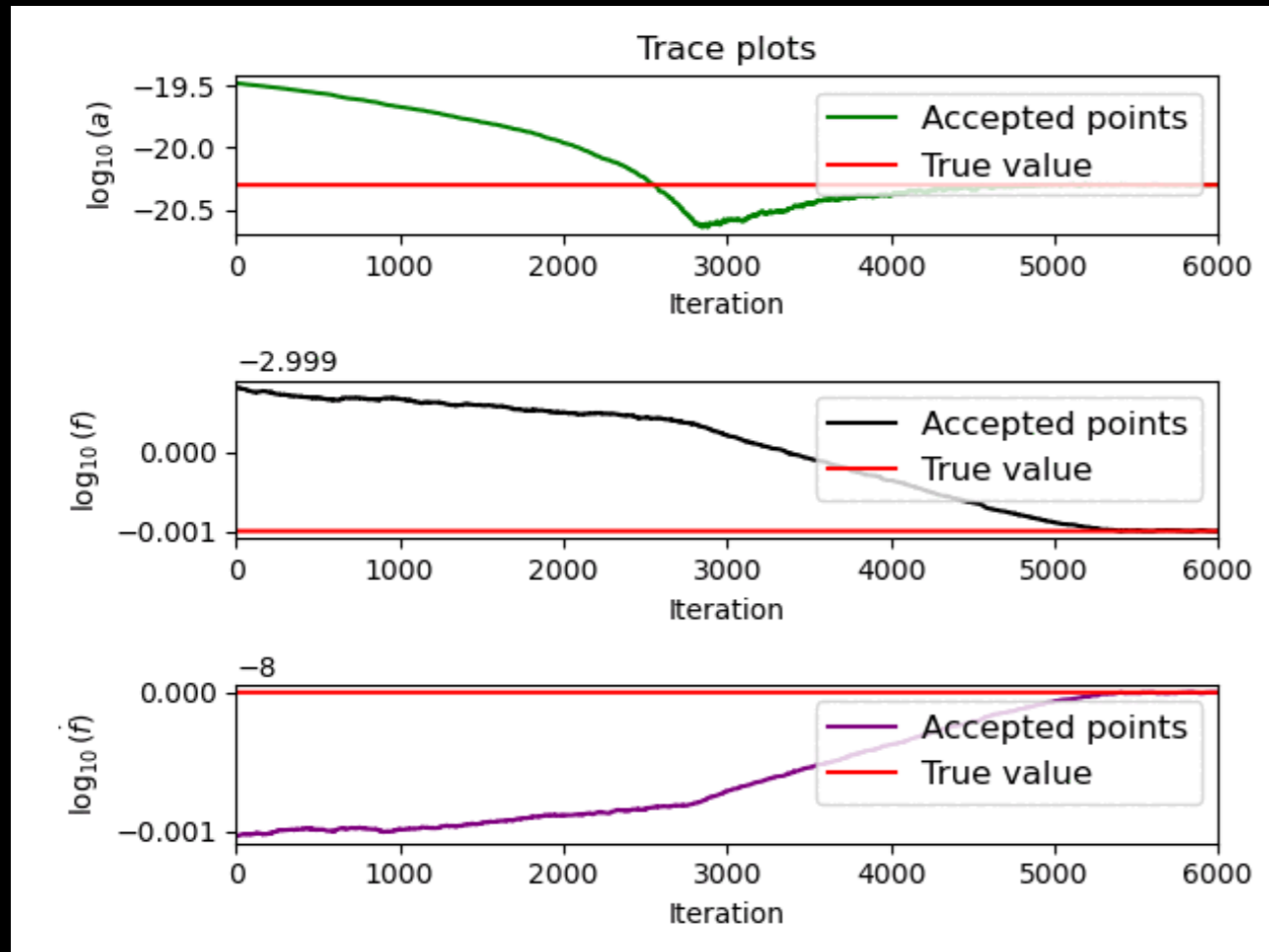


We must find the signal that better reproduce the observed data

Signal parameters are varied until the best match is found

Finding and characterising the signal

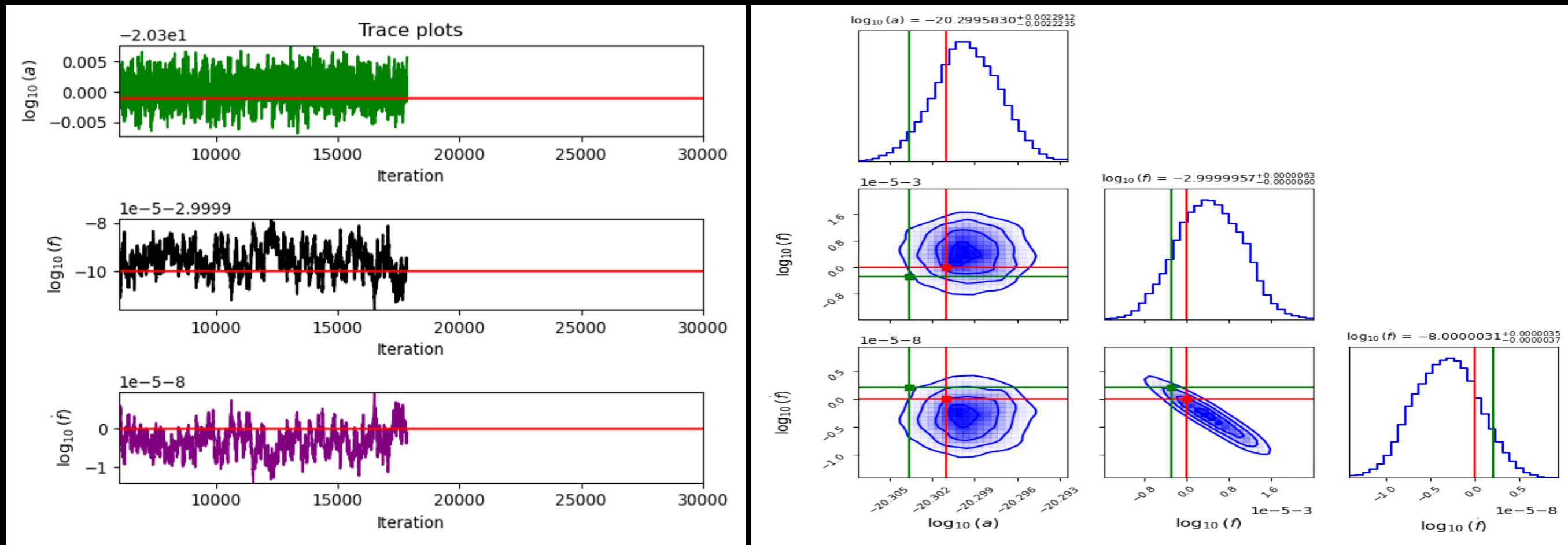
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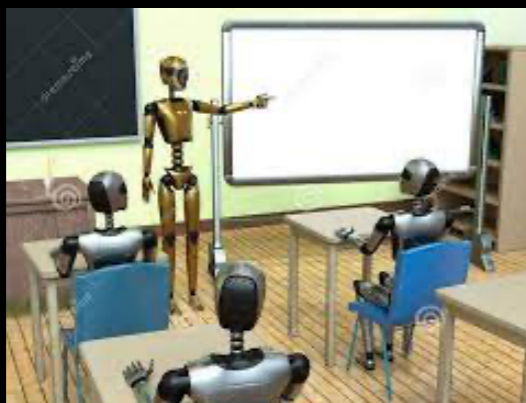
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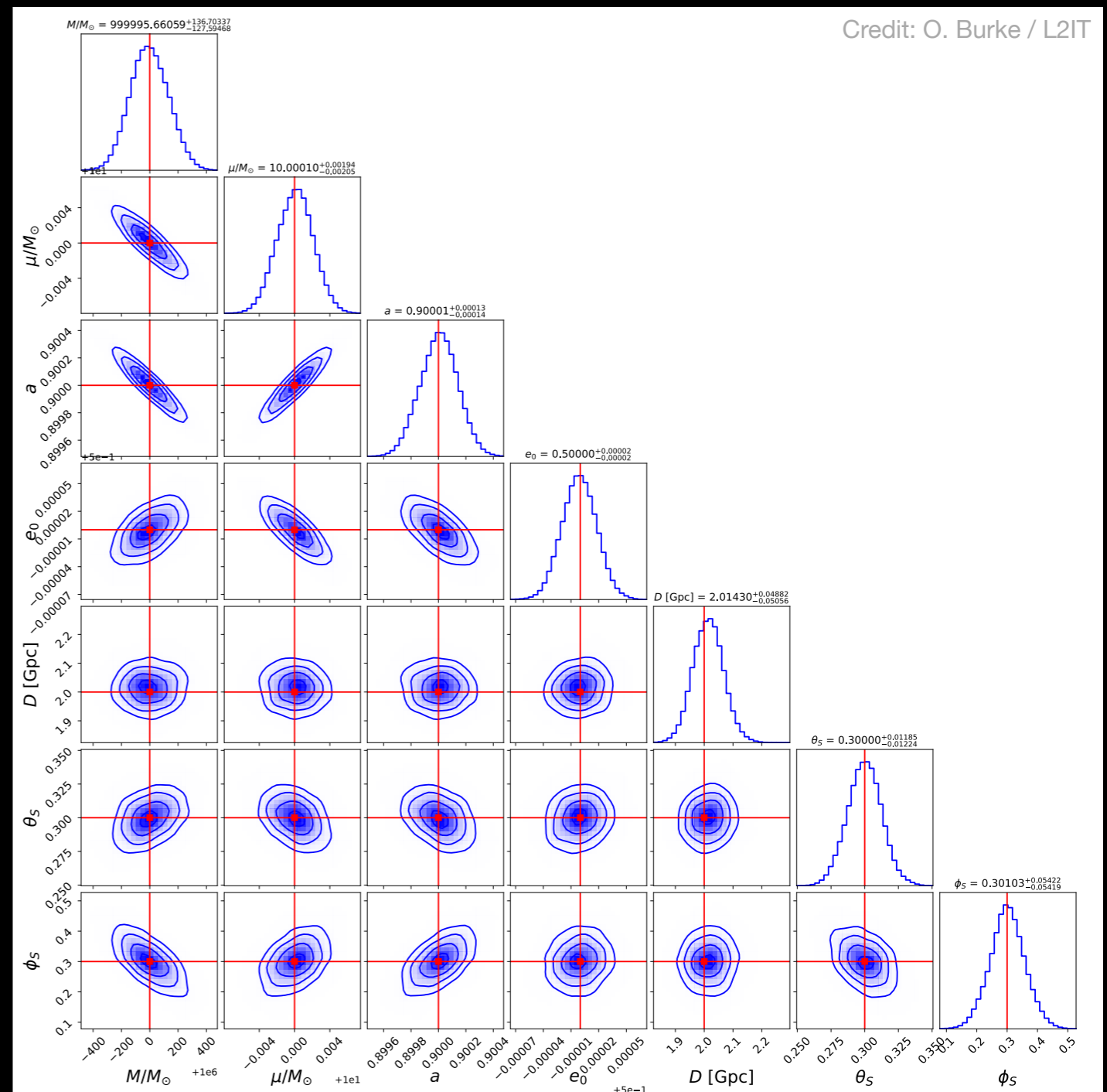
- Fast to find results as soon as possible (esp. for EM alert)
- Accurate to retrieve parameters close to true values

Much improvement over the last decades thanks to technological progress

Ample space for AI application in the near future (esp. Machine Learning)



Credit: Dreamstime



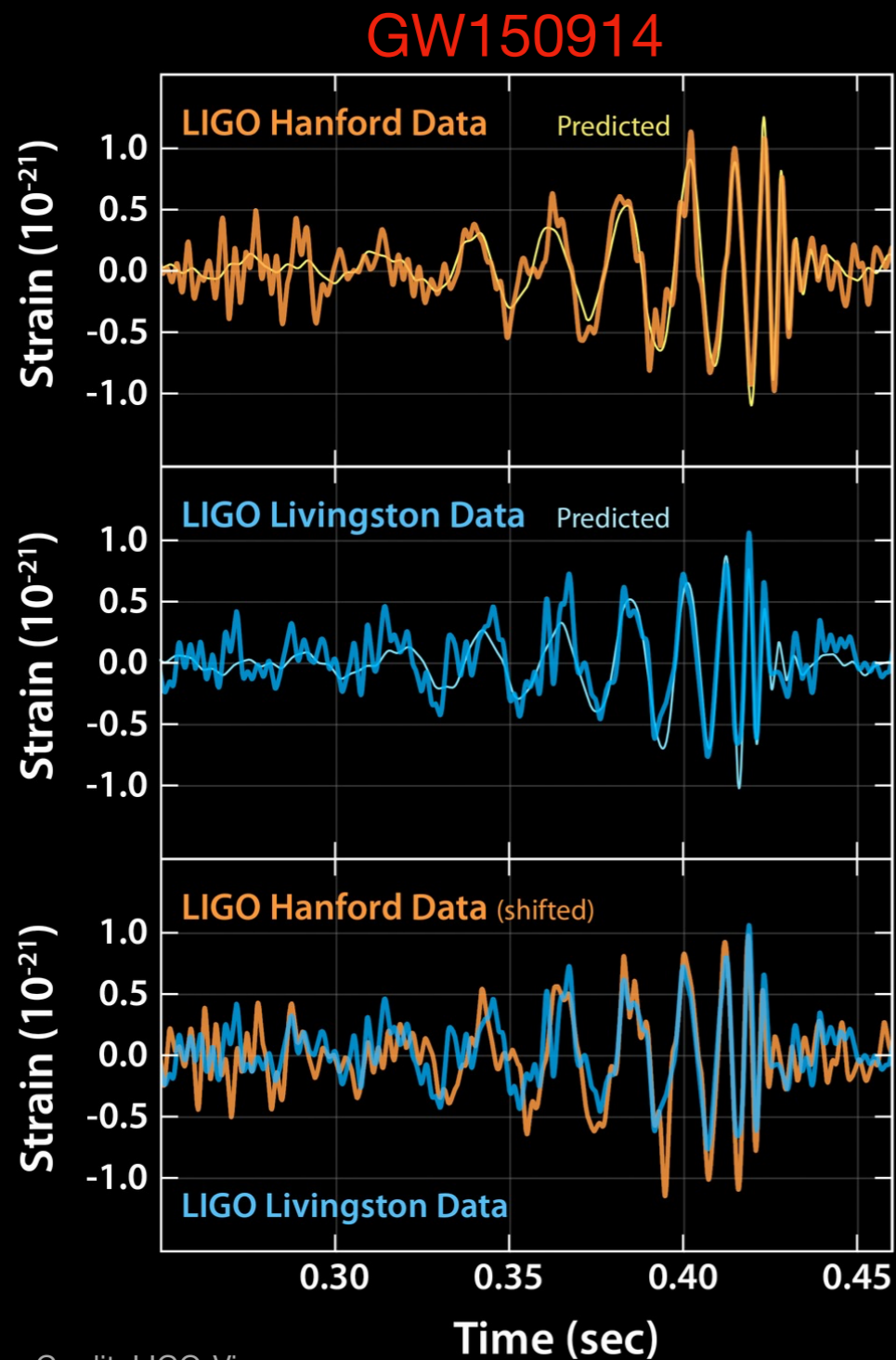


OUTLINE

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GW observational science: black holes

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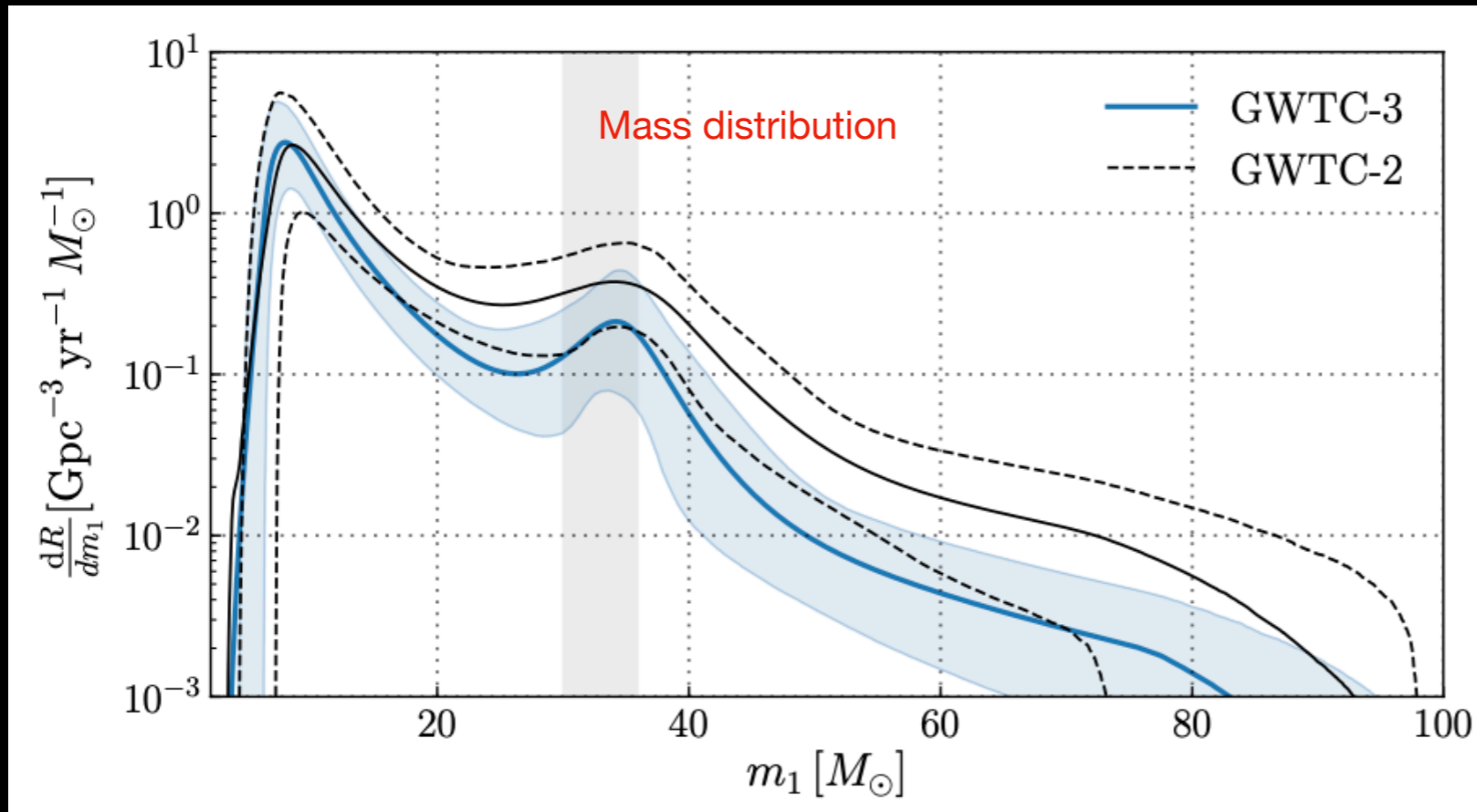


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Primary black hole mass	$36_{-4}^{+5} M_{\odot}$
Secondary black hole mass	$29_{-4}^{+4} M_{\odot}$
Final black hole mass	$62_{-4}^{+4} M_{\odot}$
Final black hole spin	$0.67_{-0.07}^{+0.05}$
Luminosity distance	410_{-180}^{+160} Mpc
Source redshift z	$0.09_{-0.04}^{+0.03}$

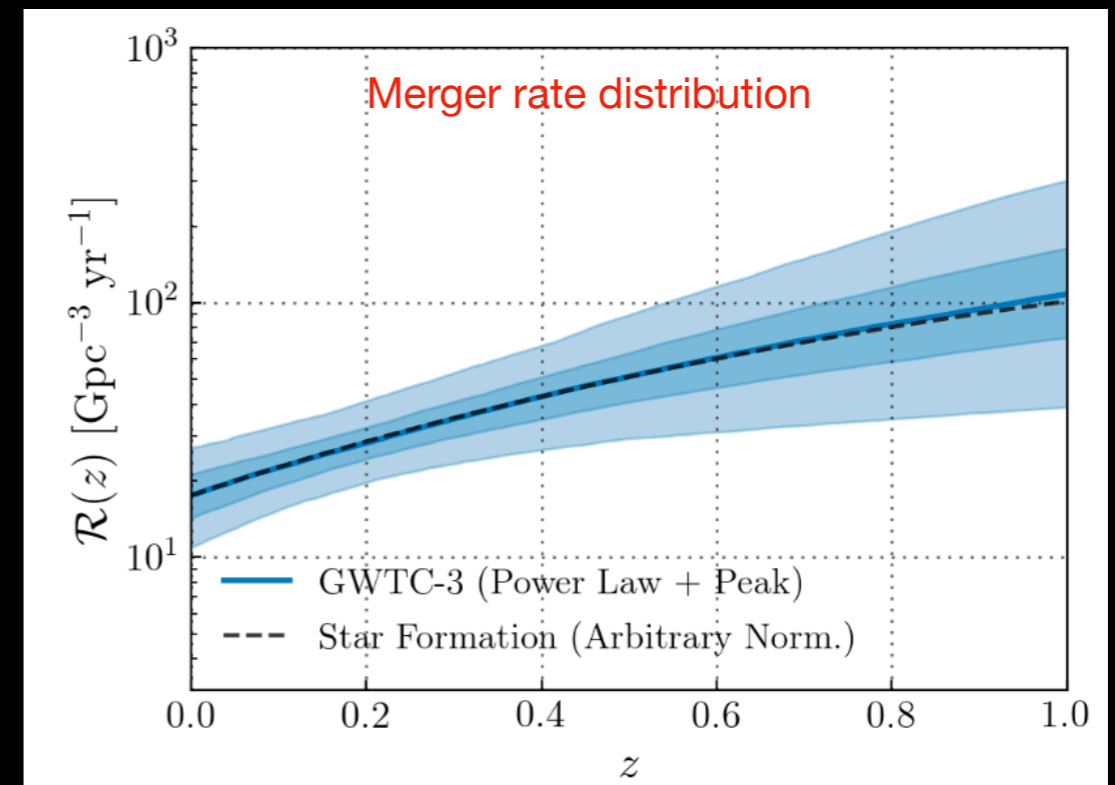
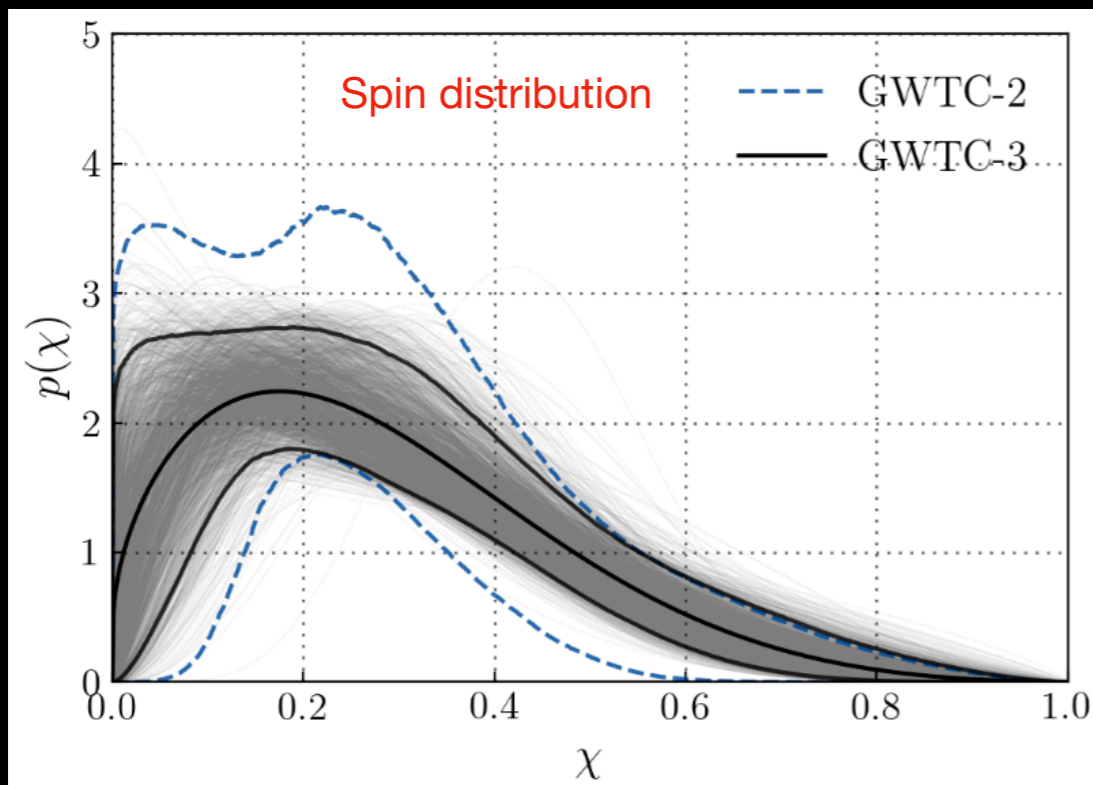
Black holes with masses $\gtrsim 10M_{\odot}$ were discovered

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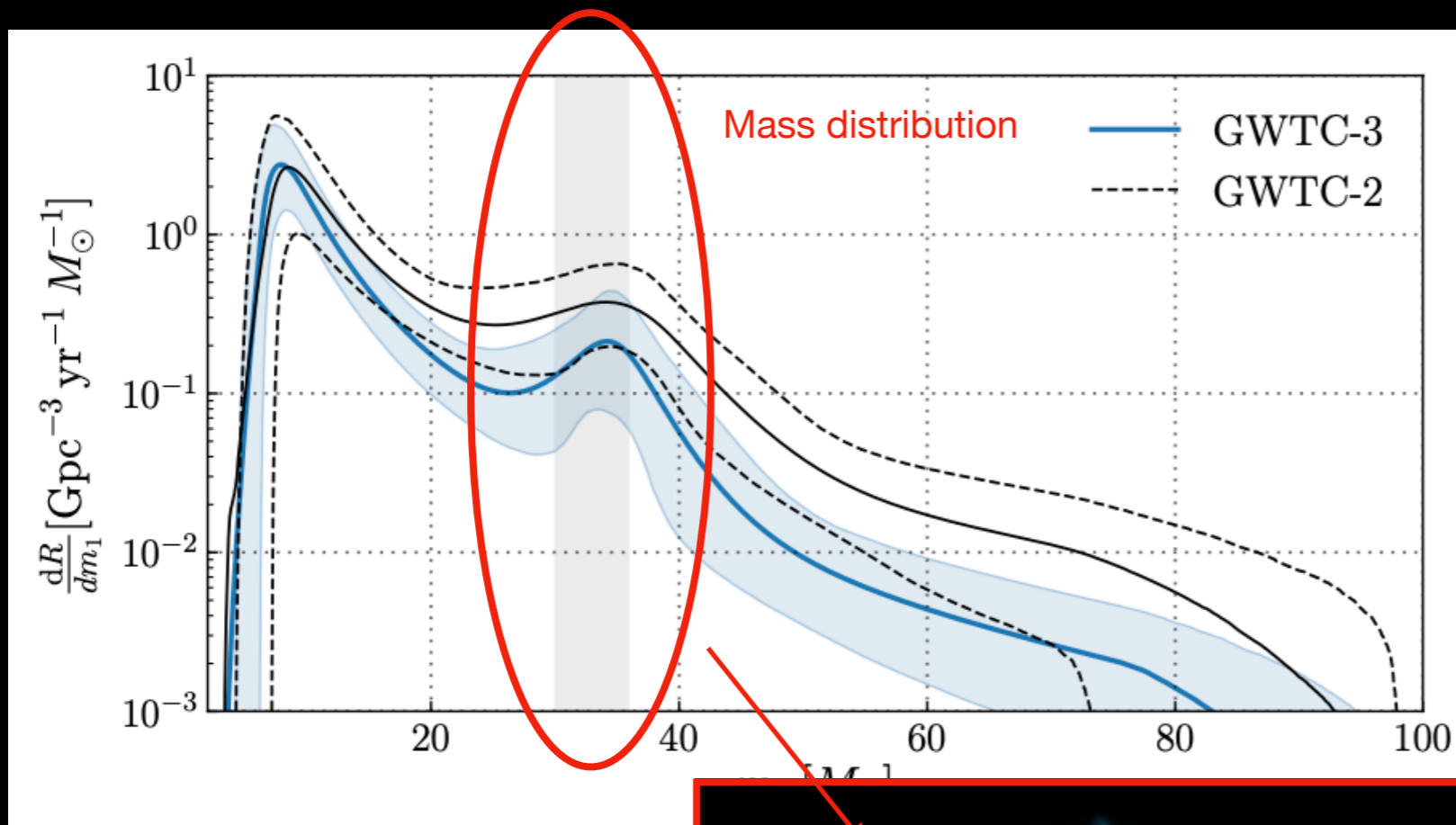
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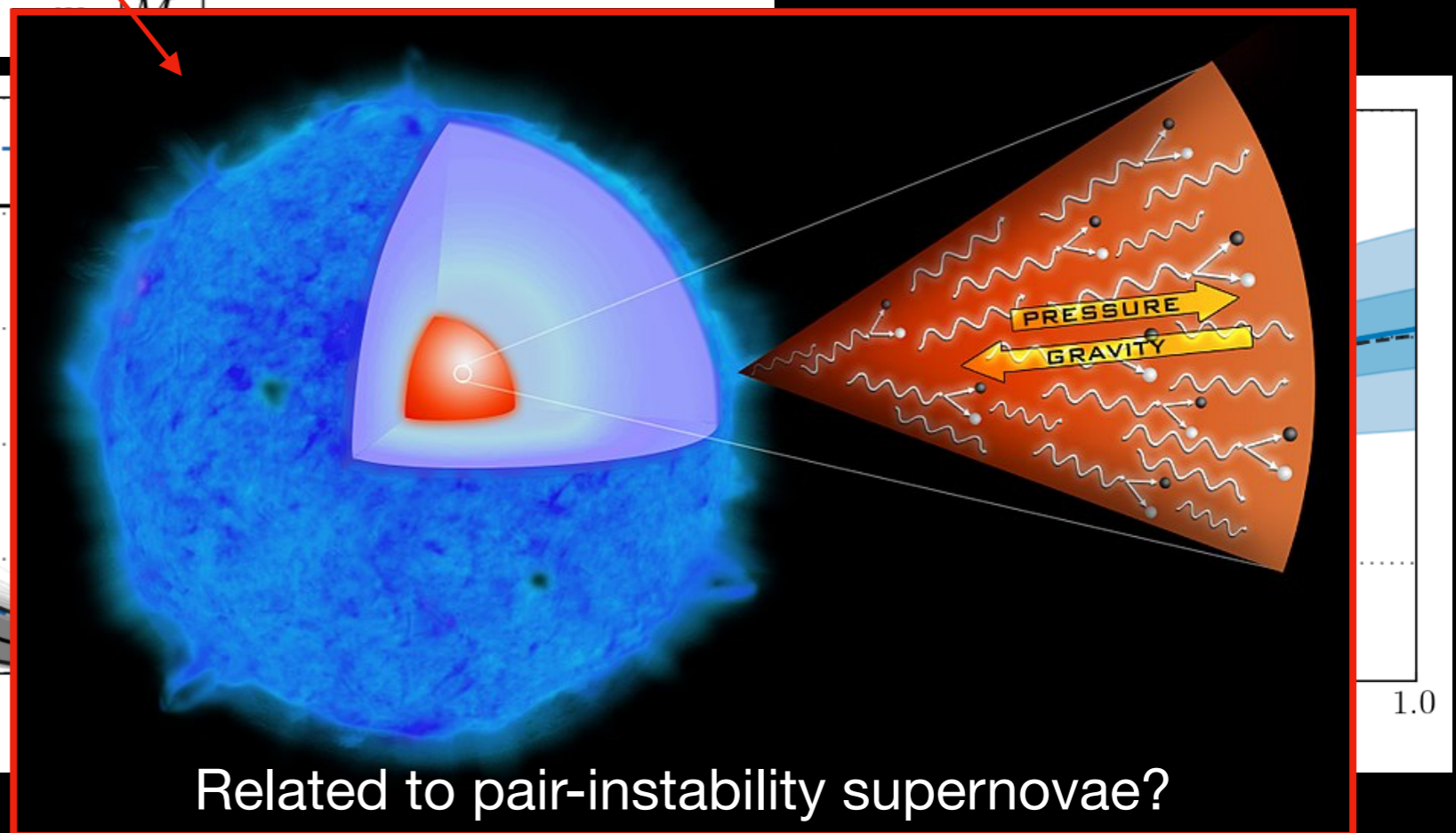
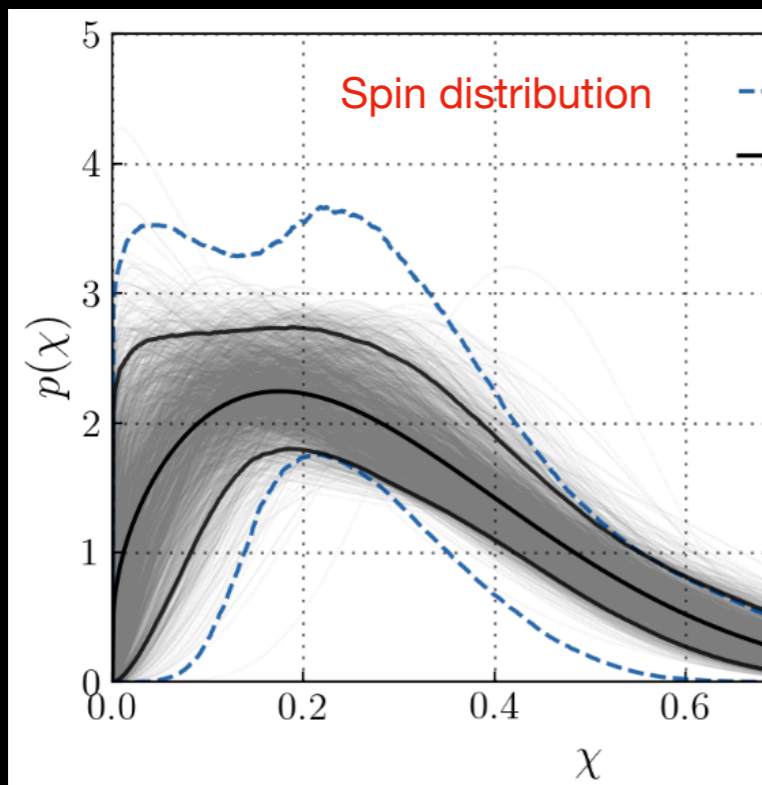
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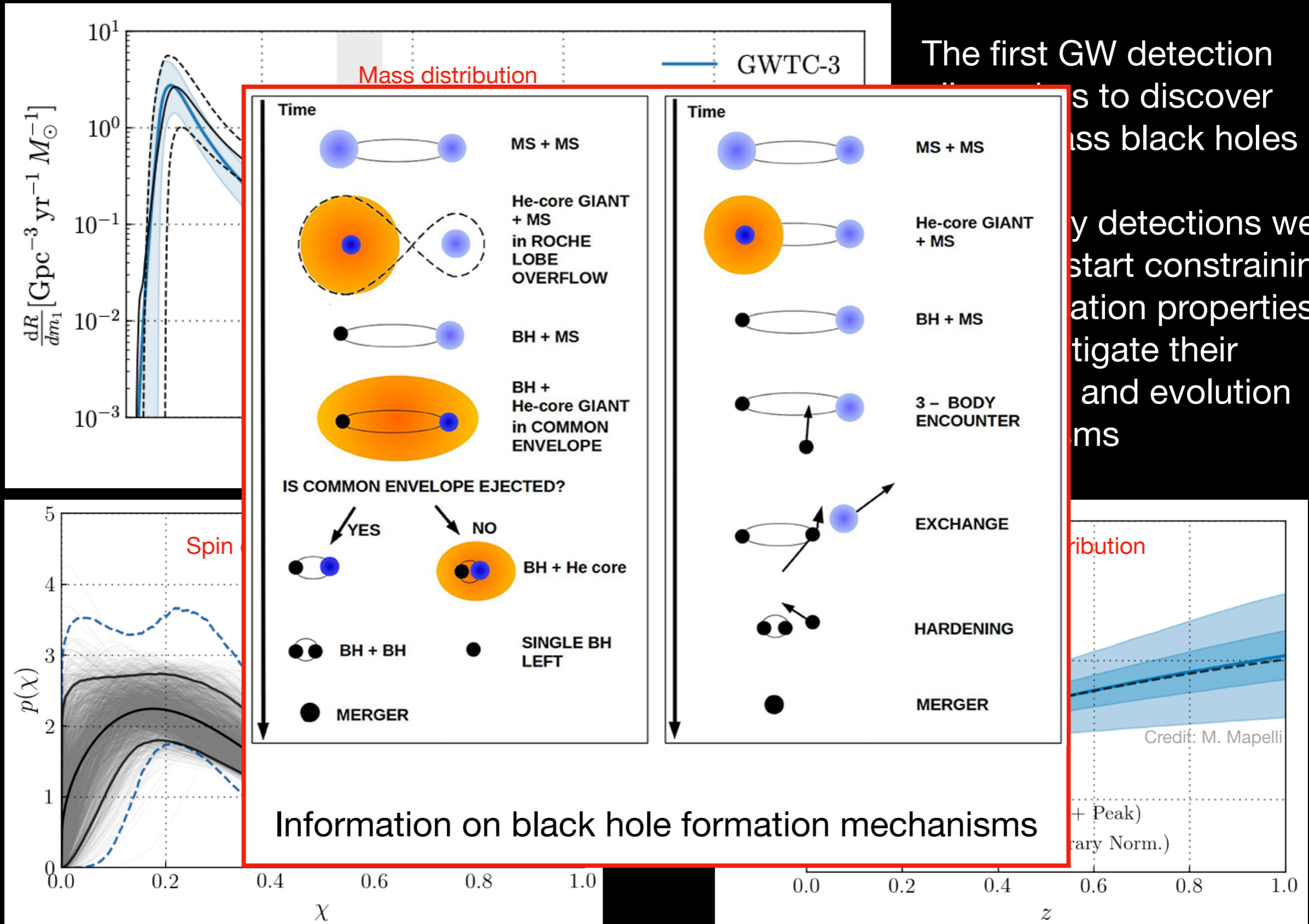


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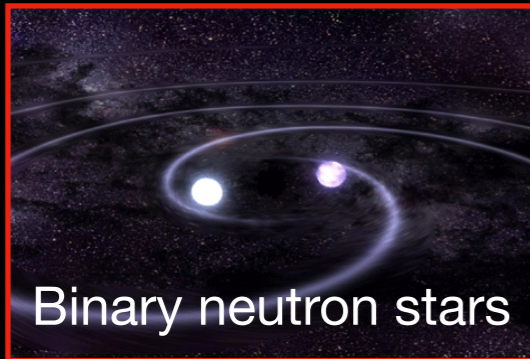
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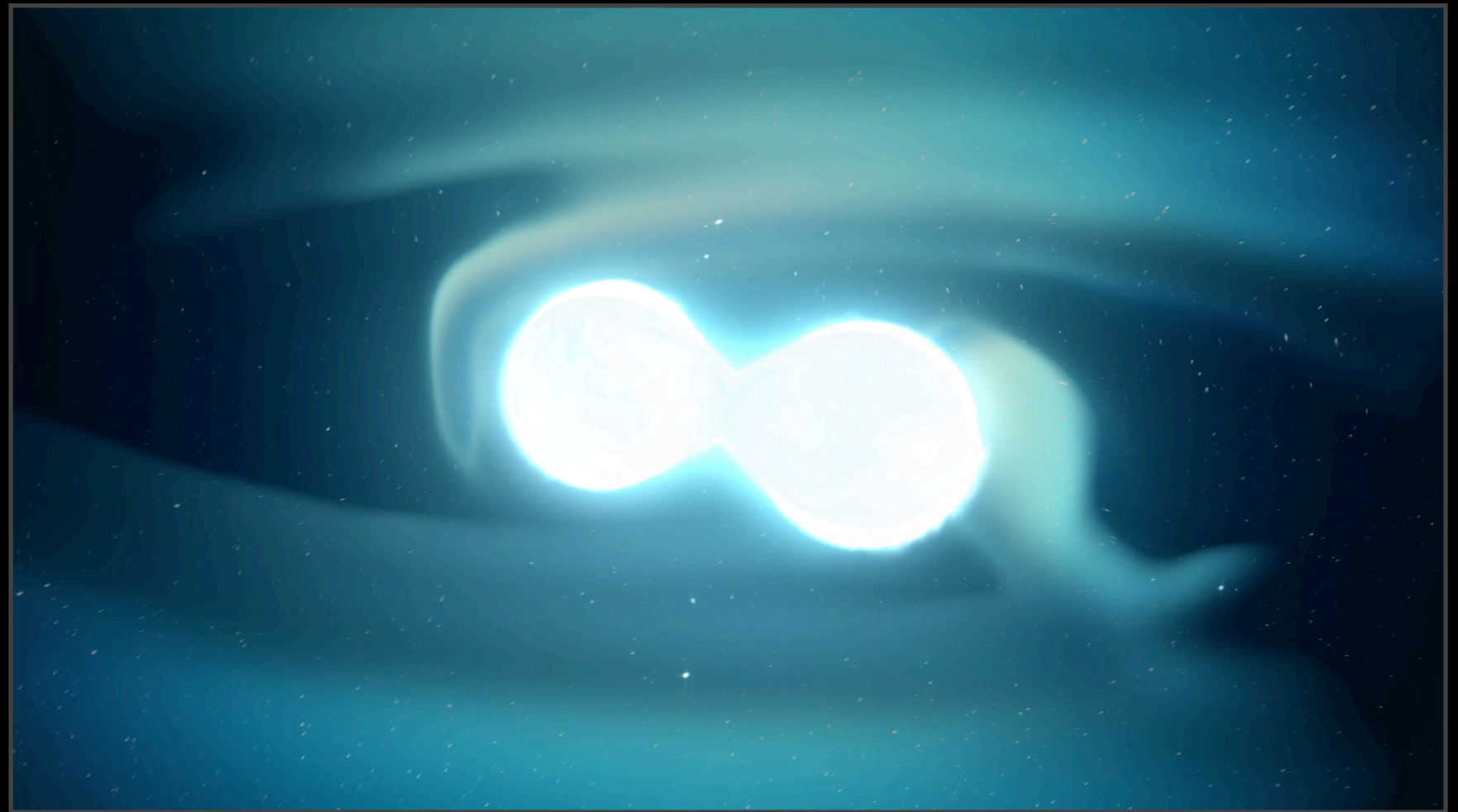
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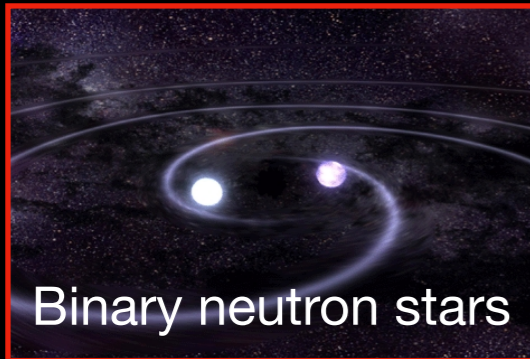


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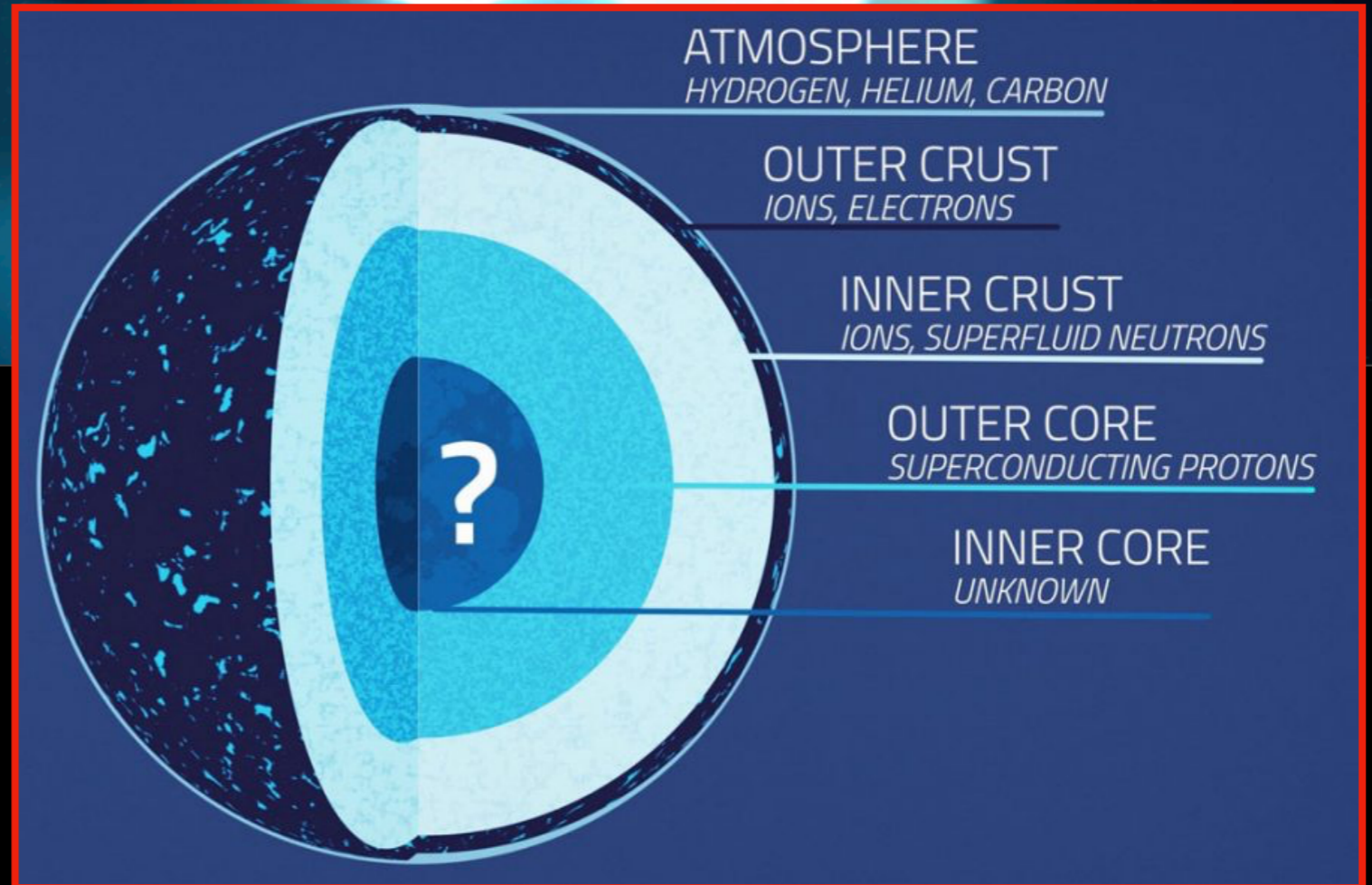


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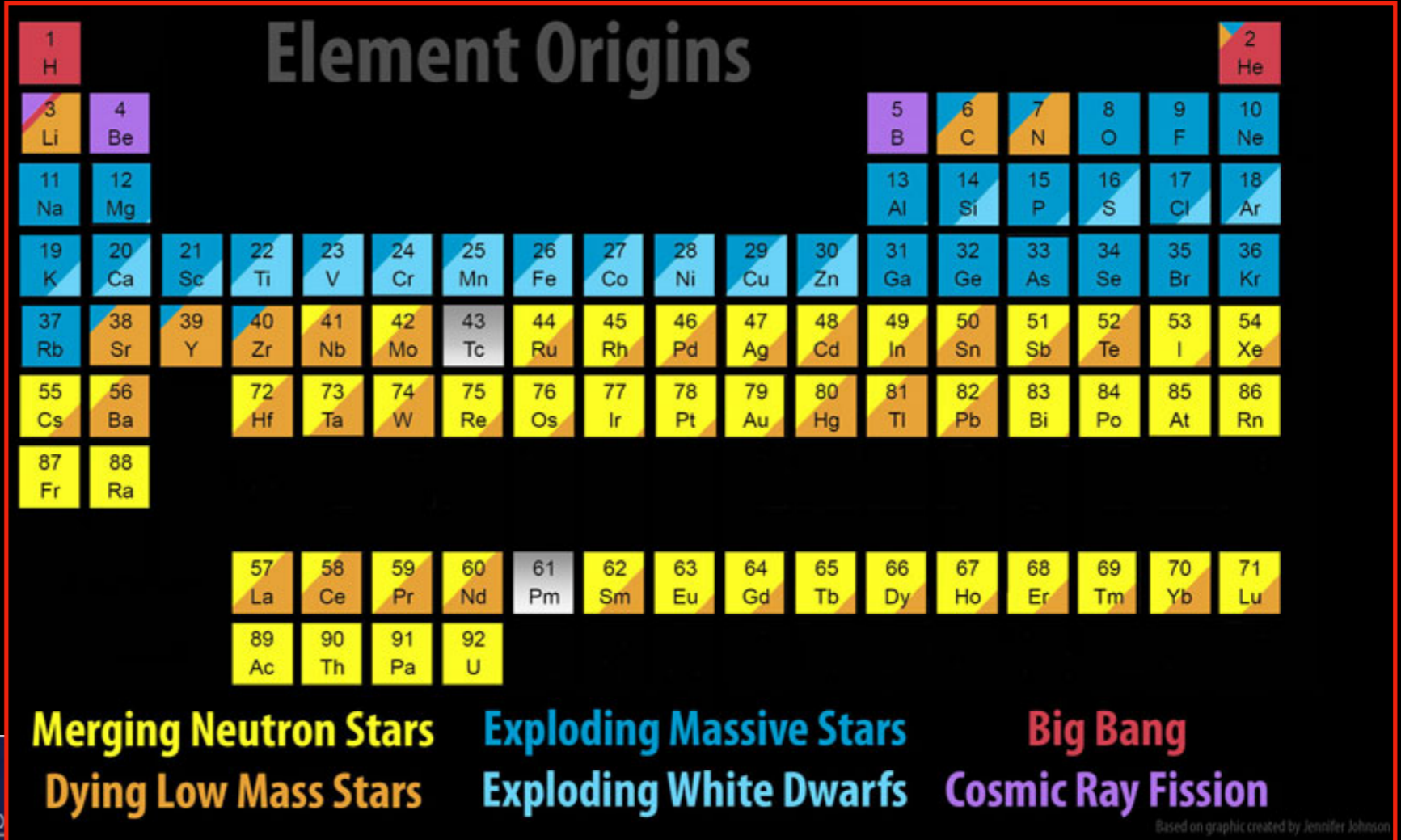
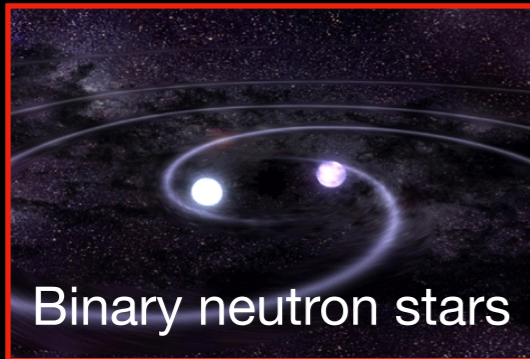
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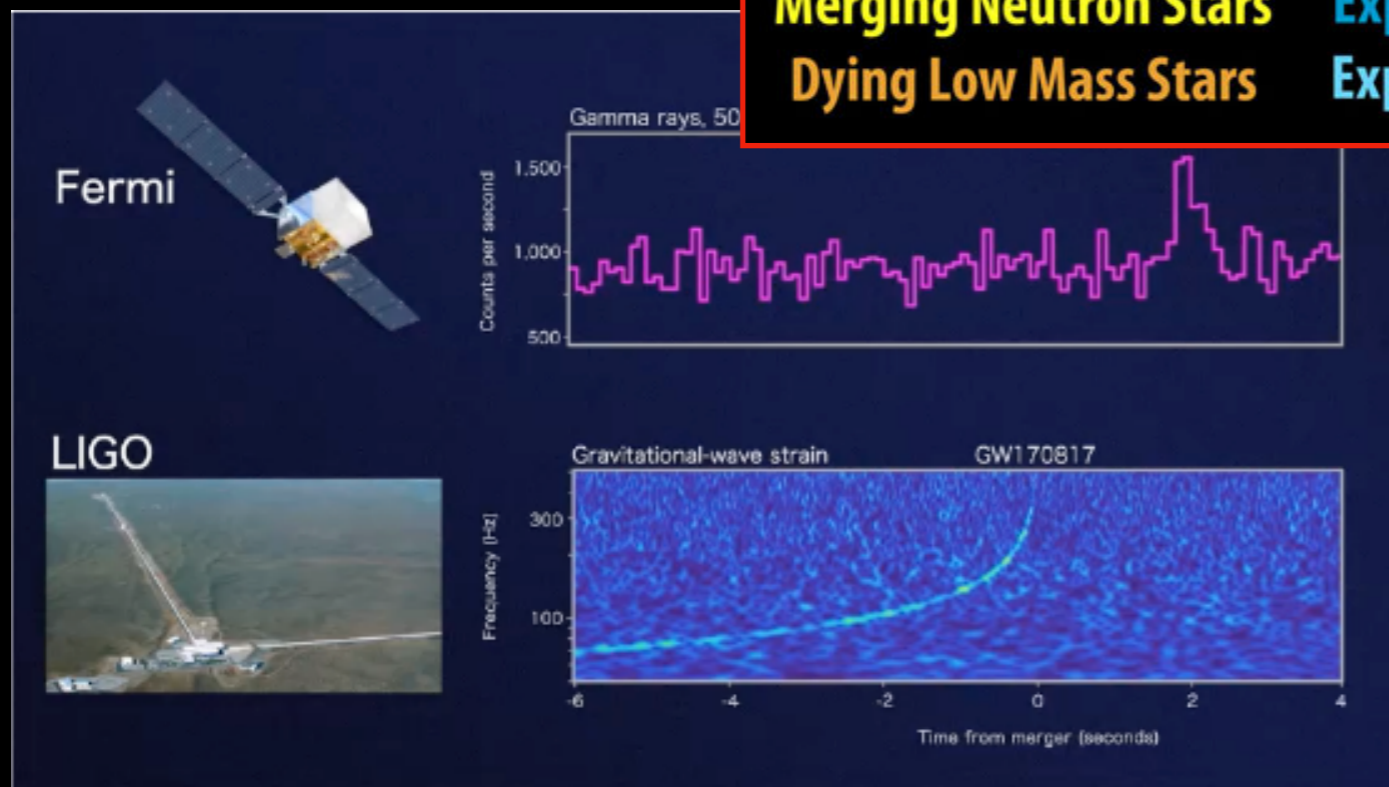
GW data from binary neutron star mergers allow us to probe the internal structure of neutron stars and its associated nuclear physics

GW observational science: neutron stars

Credit: J. Johnson / SDSS



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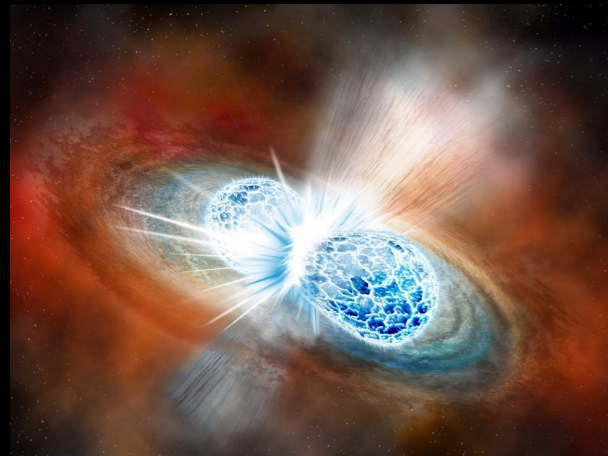


The EM follow-up campaign of GW170817 allowed us to confirm that heavy elements are created in binary neutron star mergers

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GW observational science: fundamental physics

Source emitting both GW and EM radiation



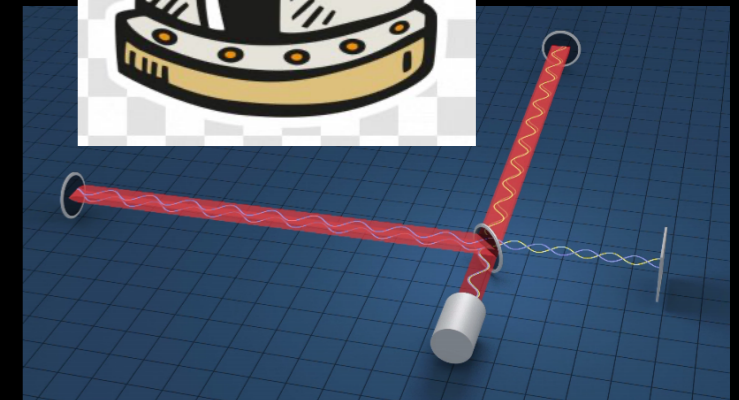
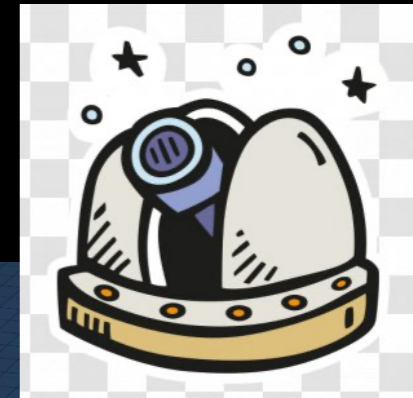
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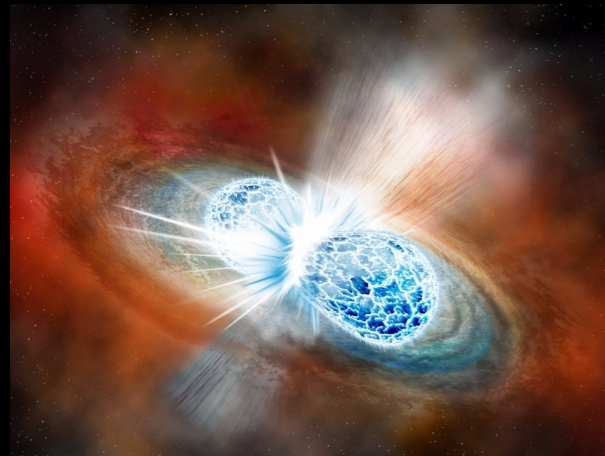
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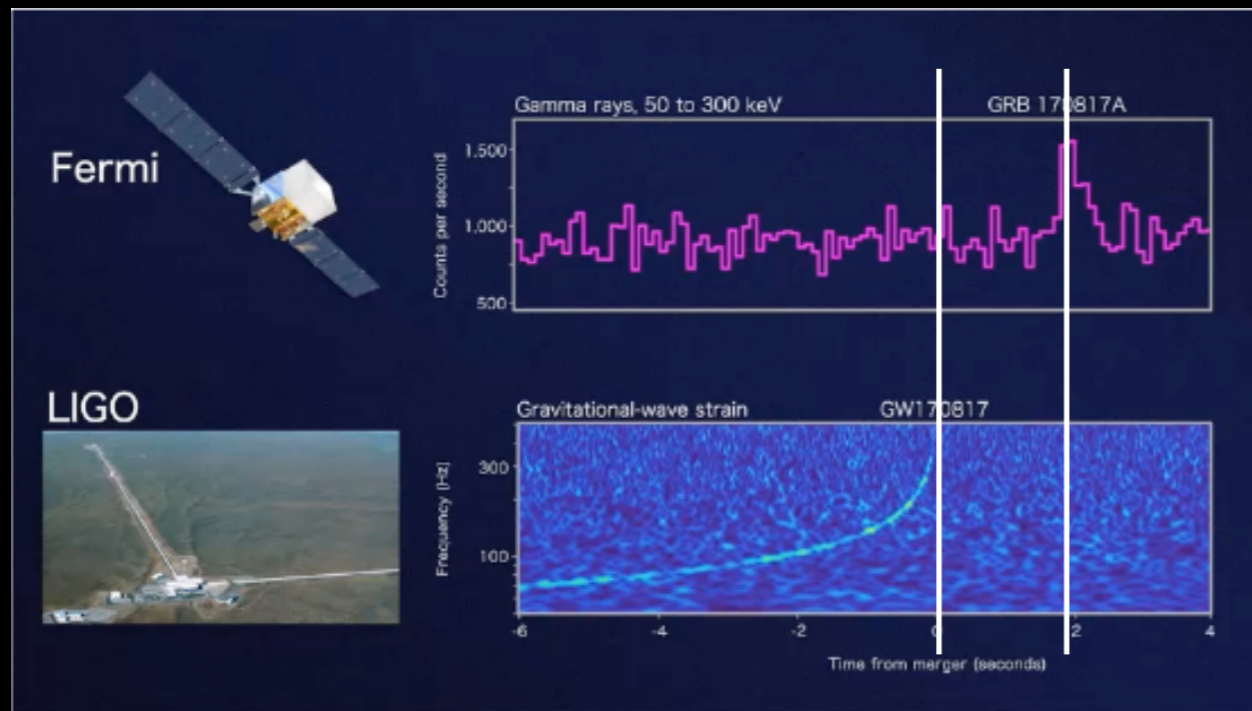
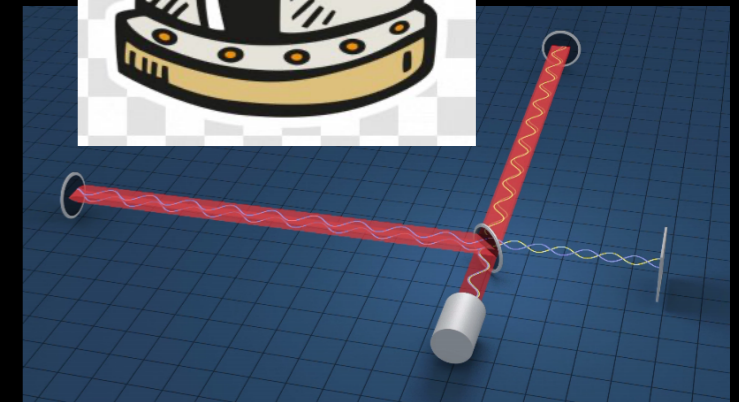
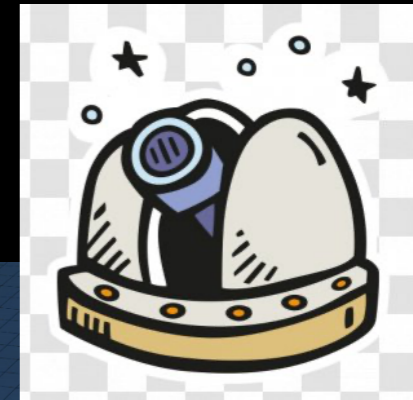
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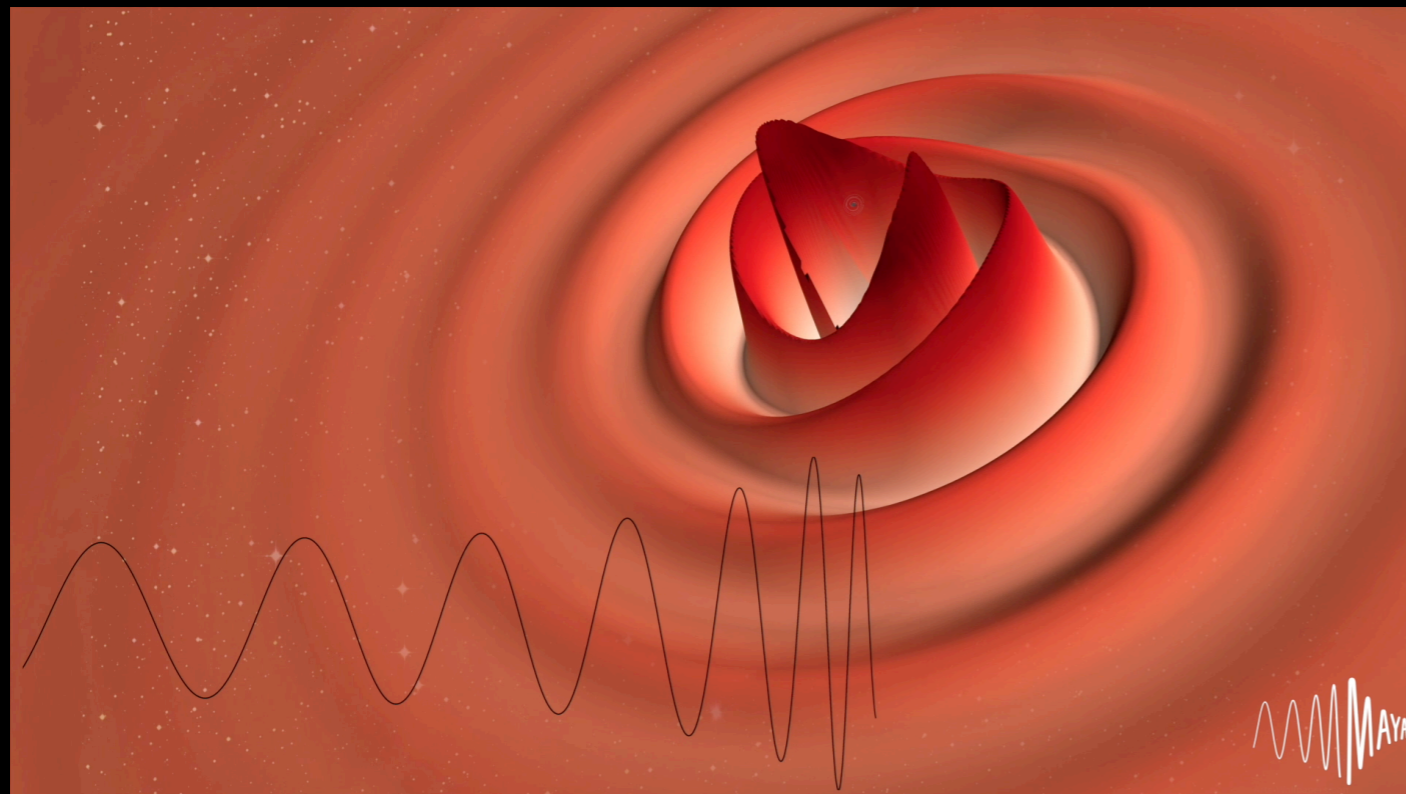
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GW170817 constrained the speed of GWs to be equal to the speed of light with a relative precision of 10^{-15}

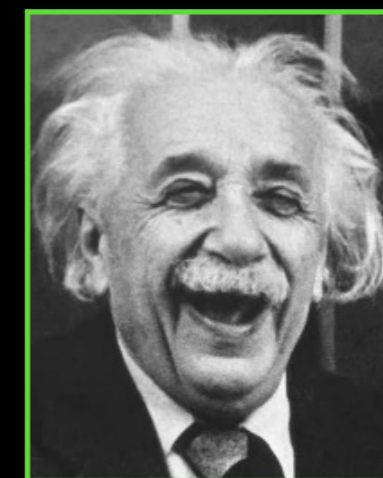
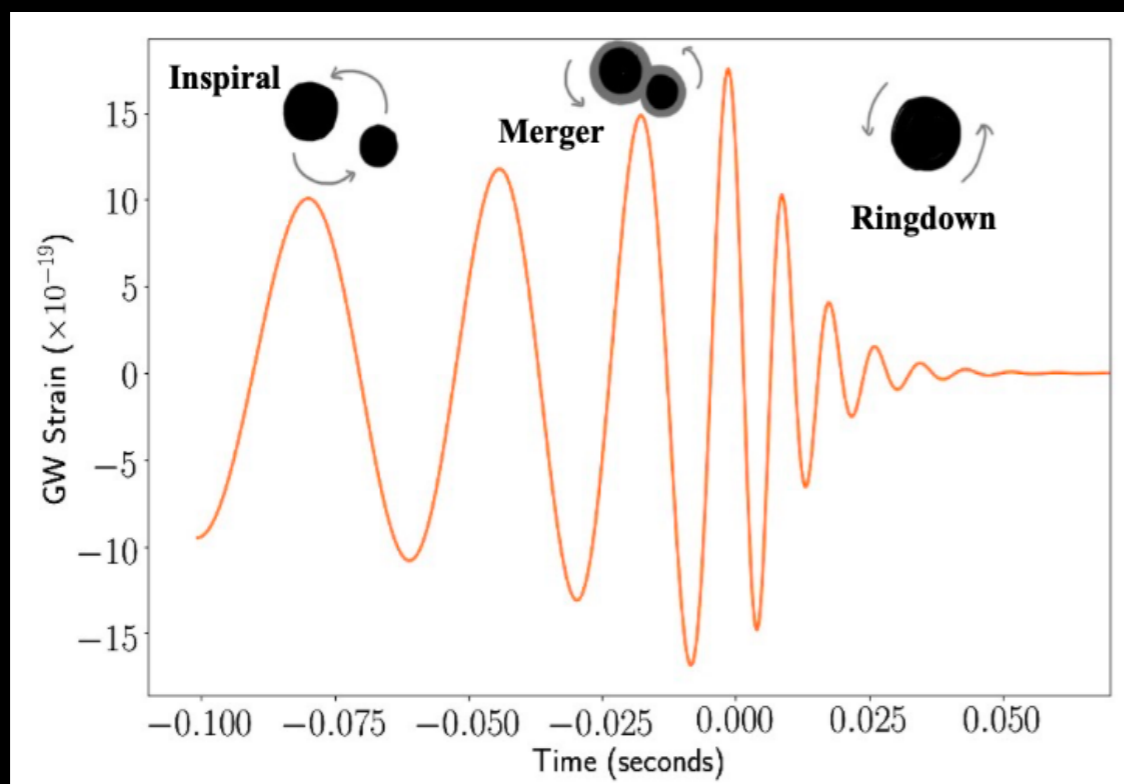
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GWs data can be used to test general relativity in the strong field regime

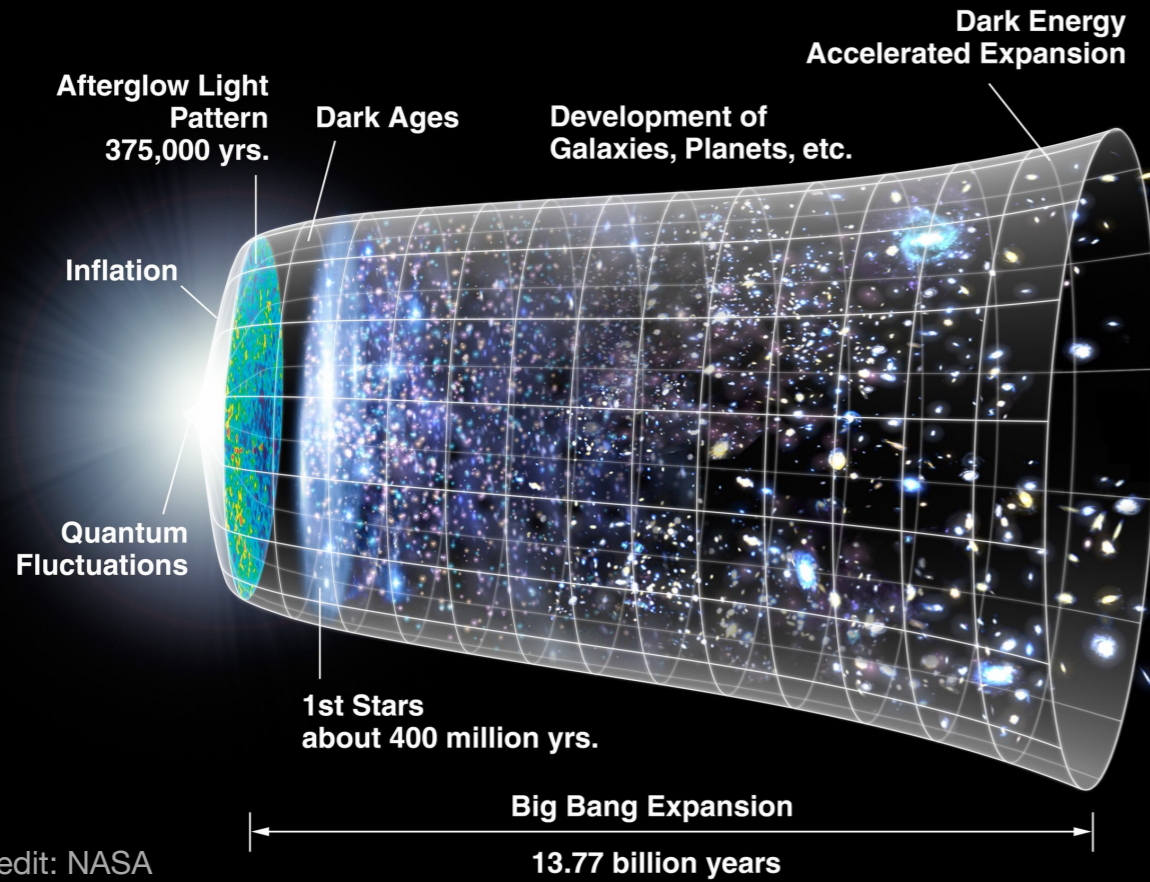
Tests can be performed with all phases of the GW waveform using different methods

All observations in agreement with general relativity so far



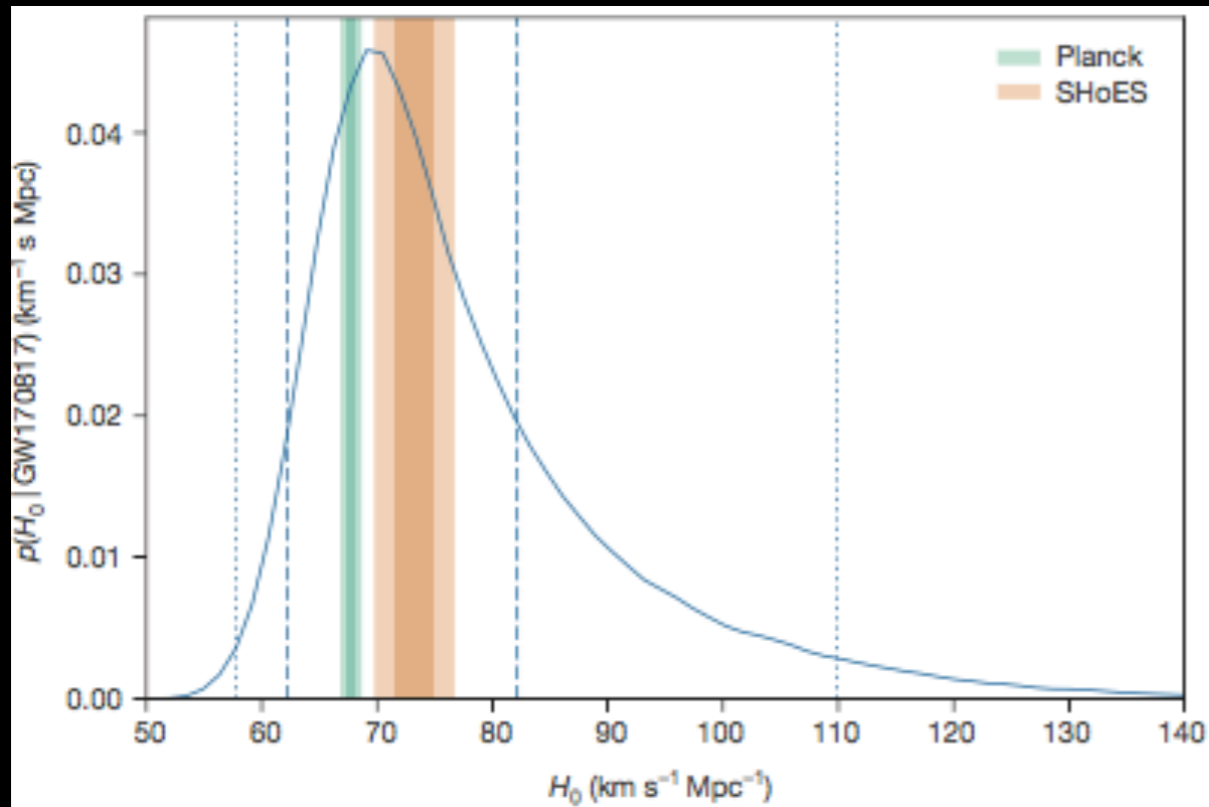
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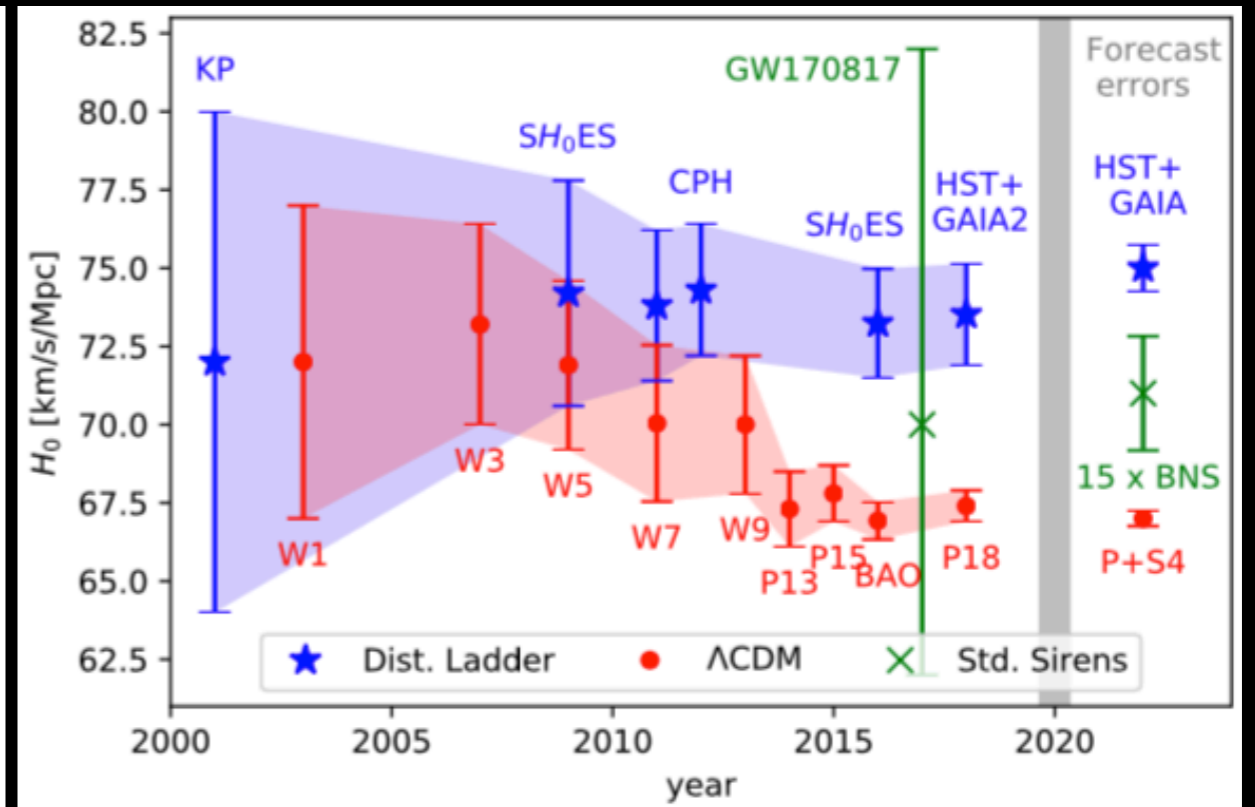


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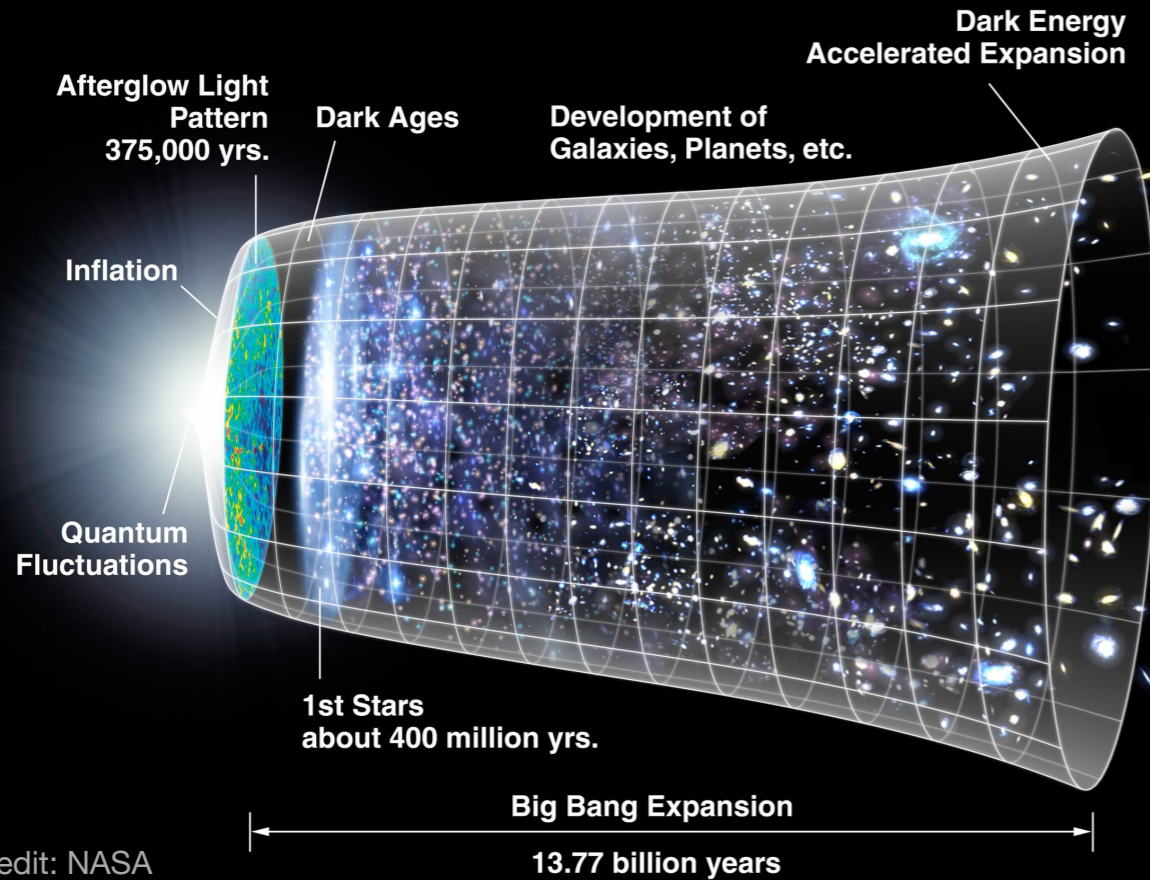


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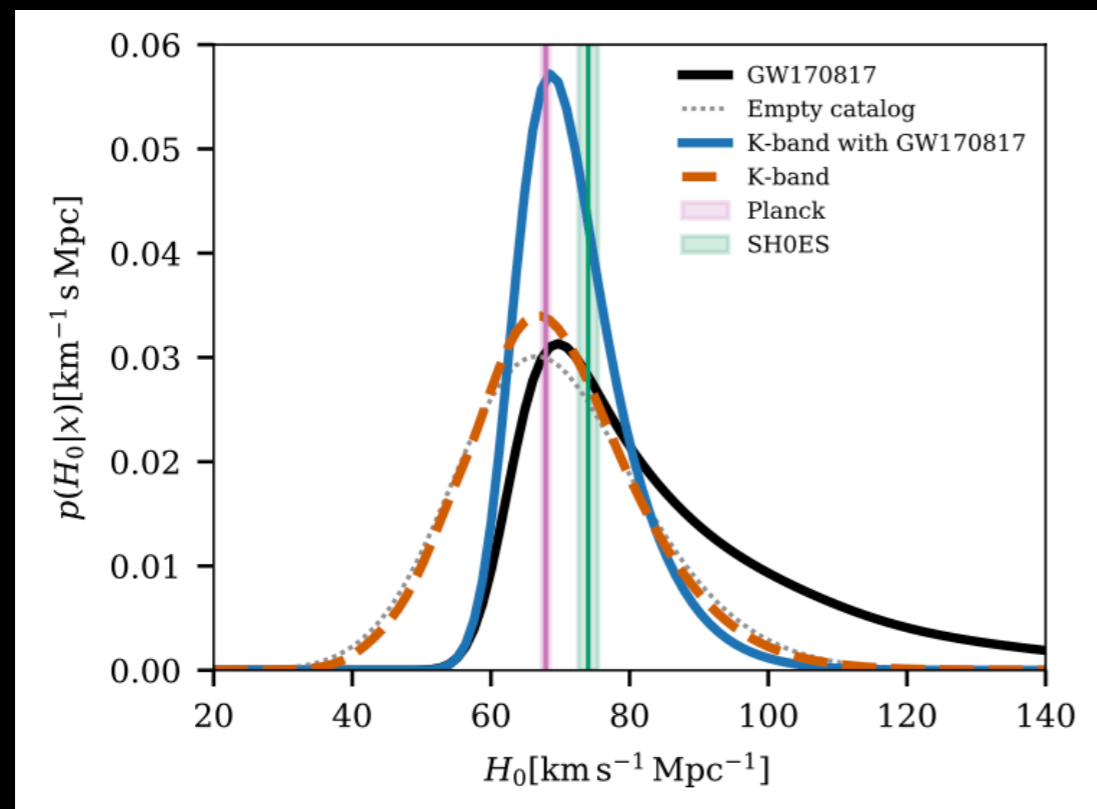
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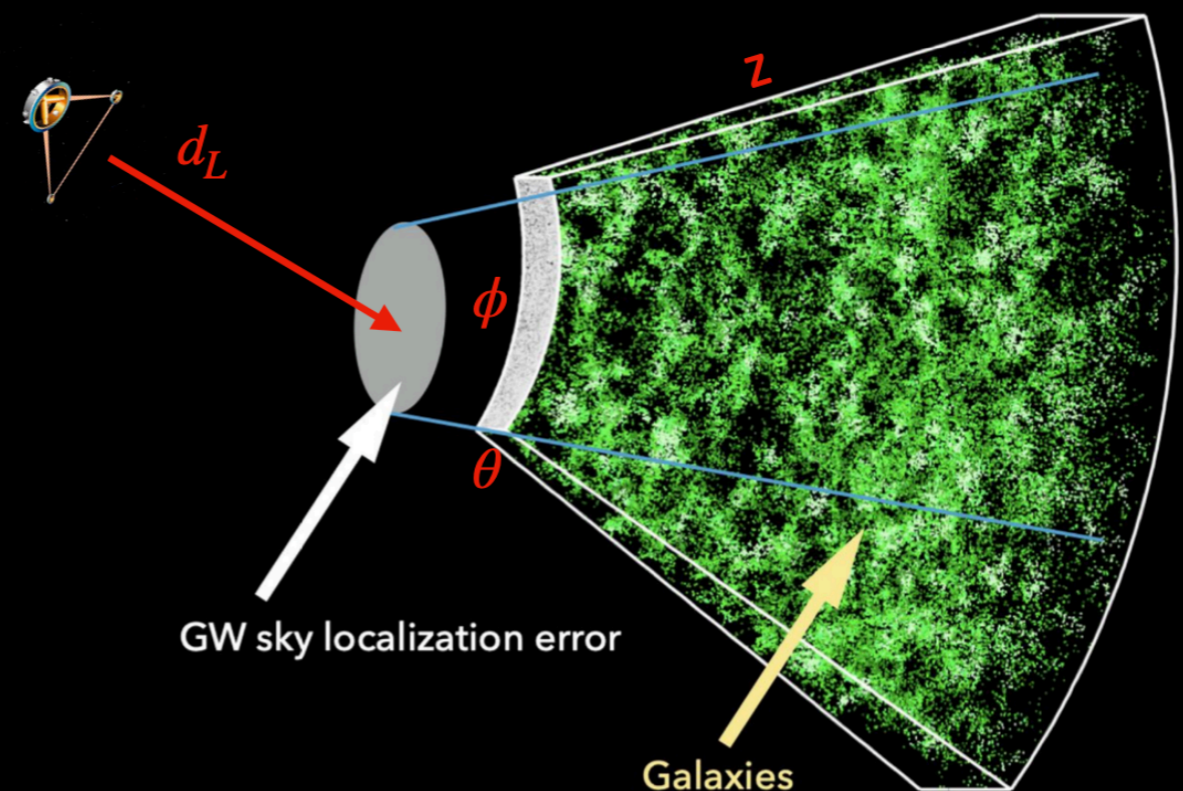
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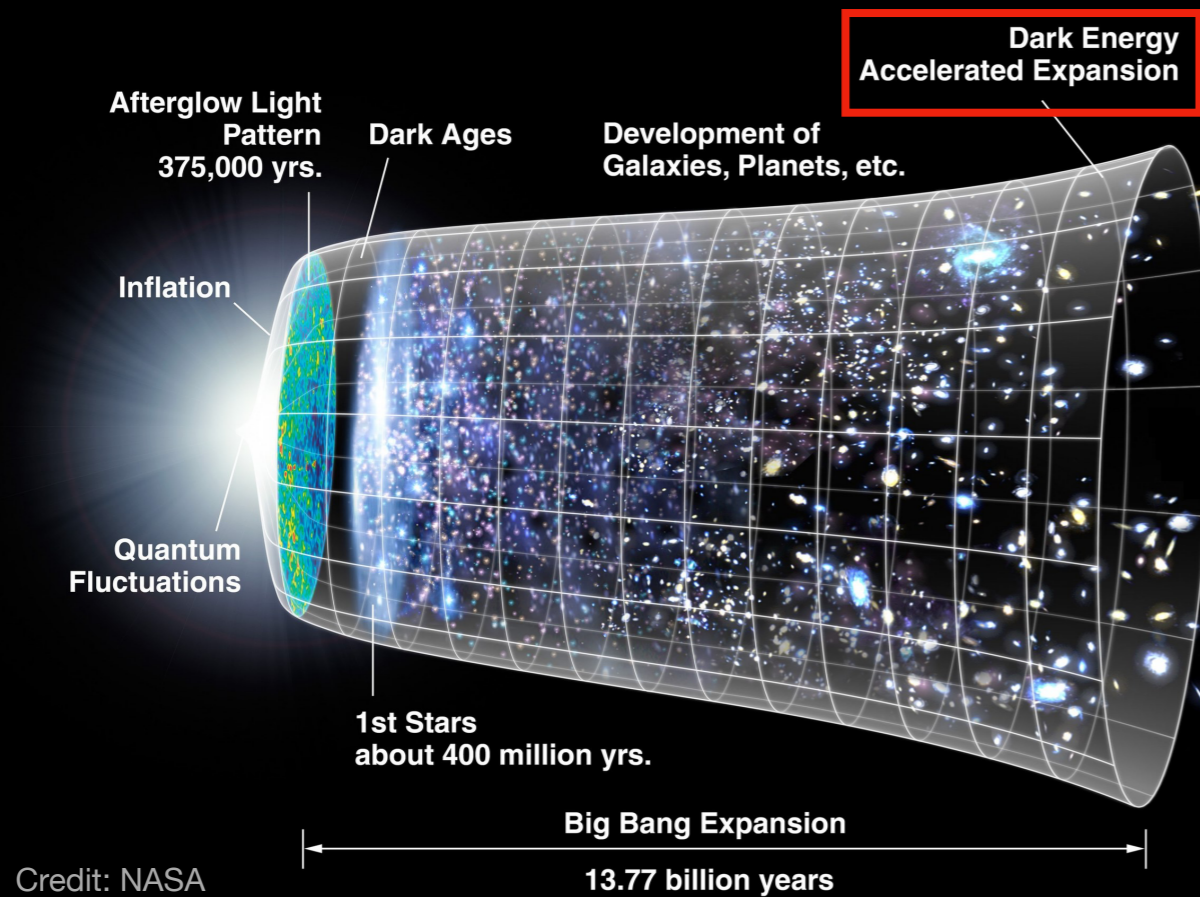


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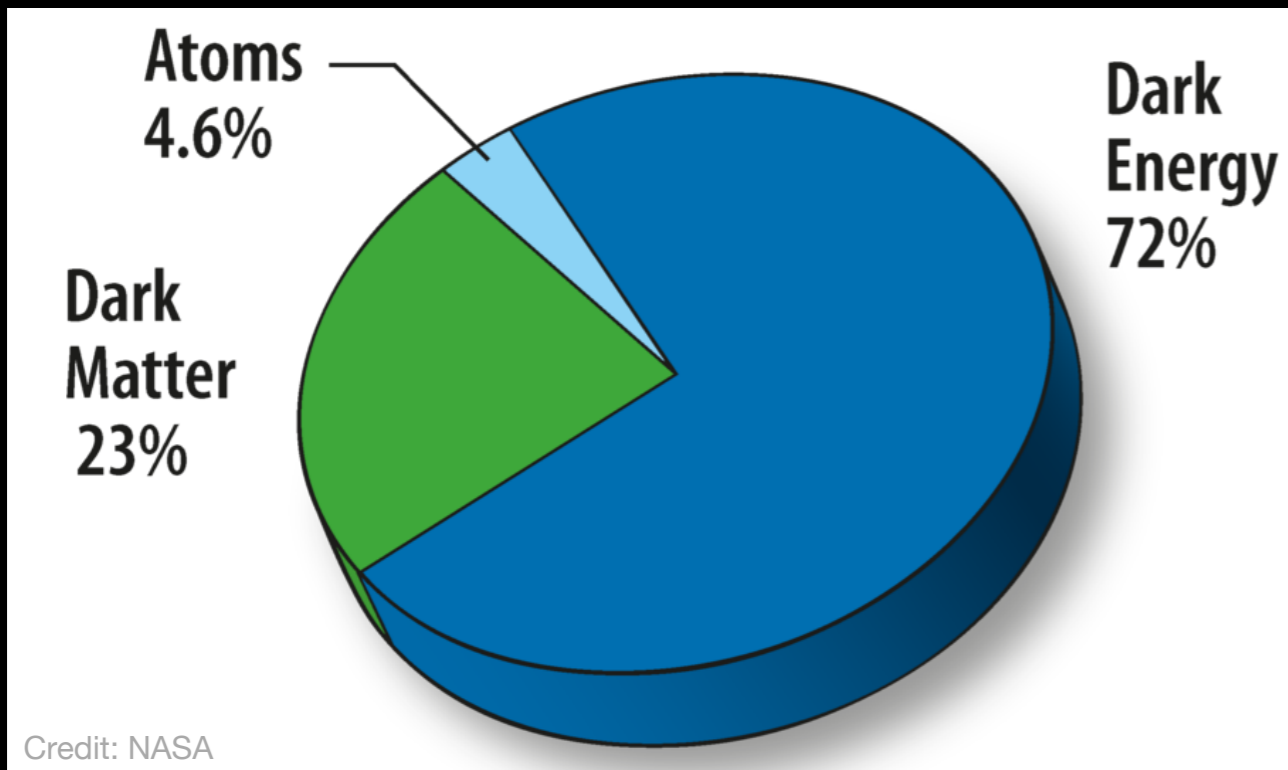
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Future GW observations will provide information on the nature of *dark energy*



A 3D visualization of a gravitational well on a blue grid, with two white spheres representing celestial bodies in orbit.

THANK YOU !