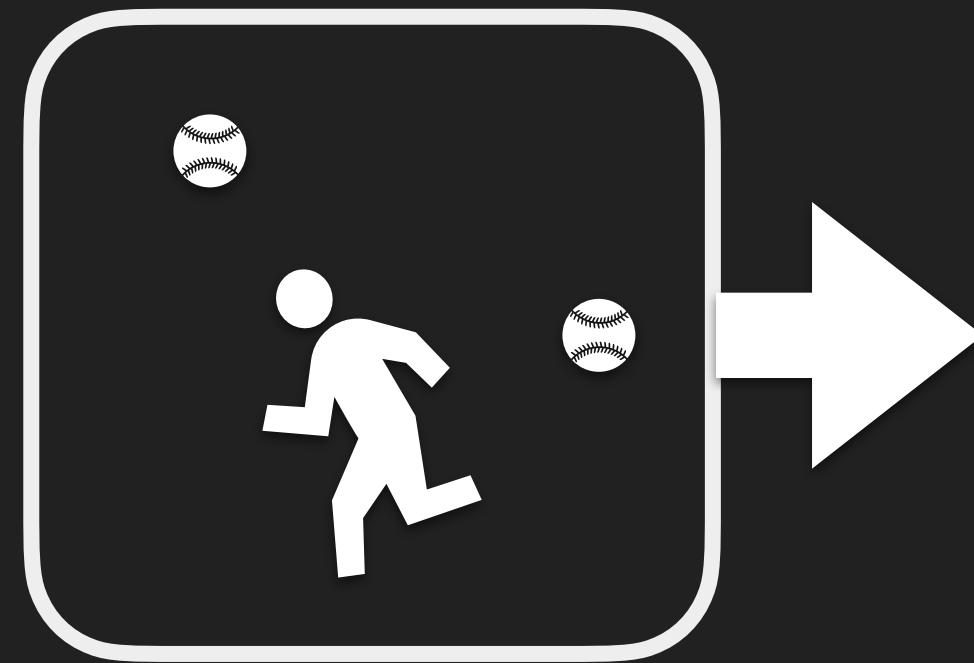


Gravity from distant objects:

Principle of equivalence

Uniform field: everything falls together - no measurement

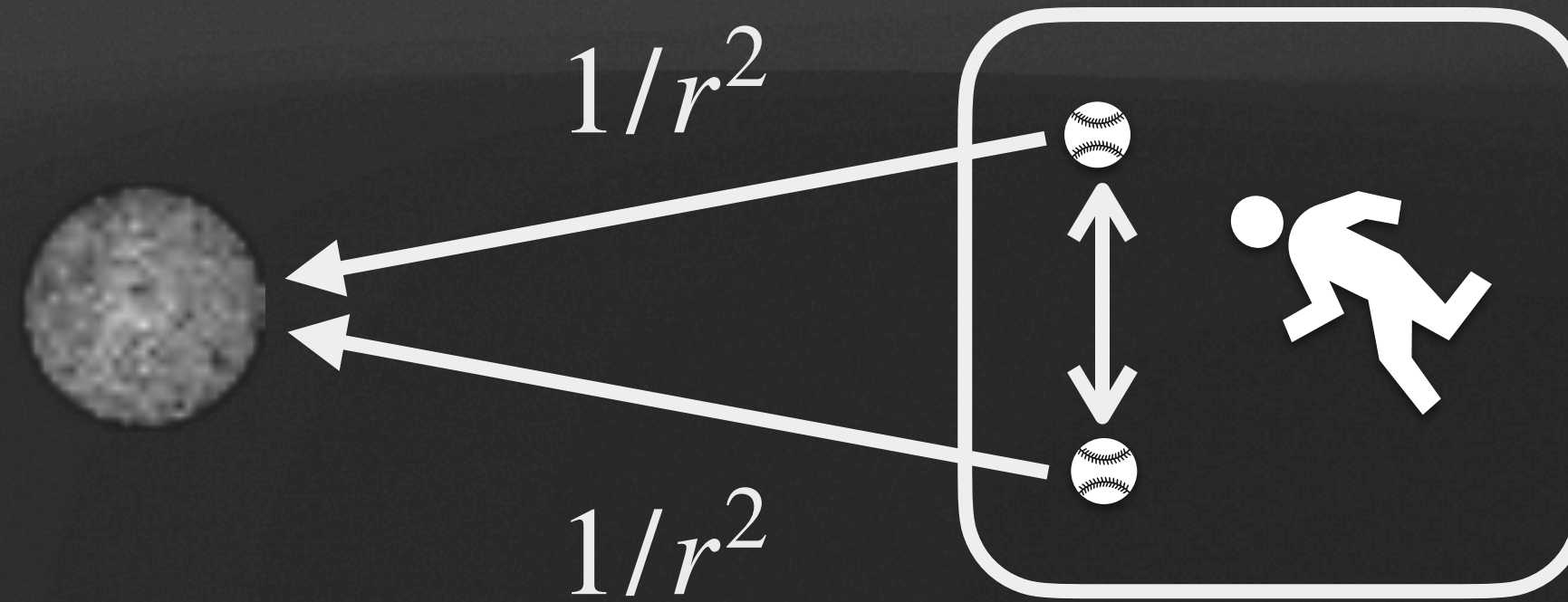


(Also: at small scales, “locally flat”, in gravitational fields)

Gravity from distant objects:

Tidal field: differential acceleration

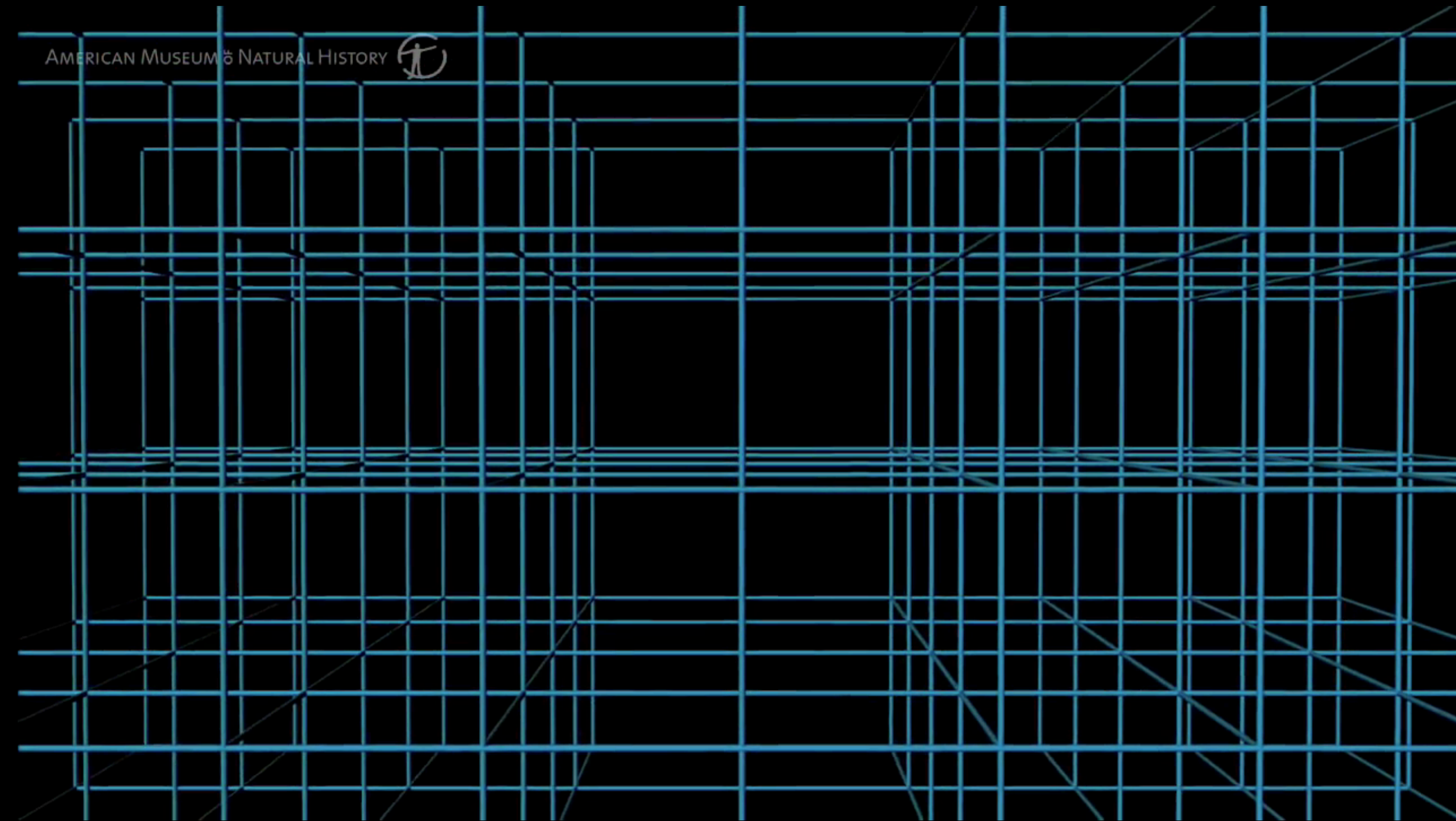
Gravity gradient: $g' = \frac{\text{change in gravity}}{\text{separation}} \sim GM \frac{1}{r^3}$





“Matter tells space-time how to curve and space-time tells matter how to move.”

- John A. Wheeler



Gravity when the mass is in motion



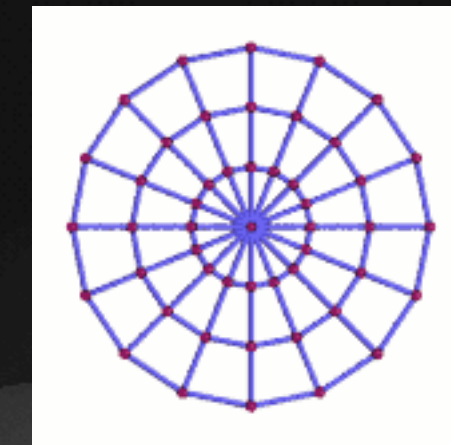
Moon passing Earth
as seen from NASA's DSCOVR spacecraft (NASA/NOAA)
at the L1 Point between the Earth and the Sun, 5 light seconds from Earth

Gravitational waves

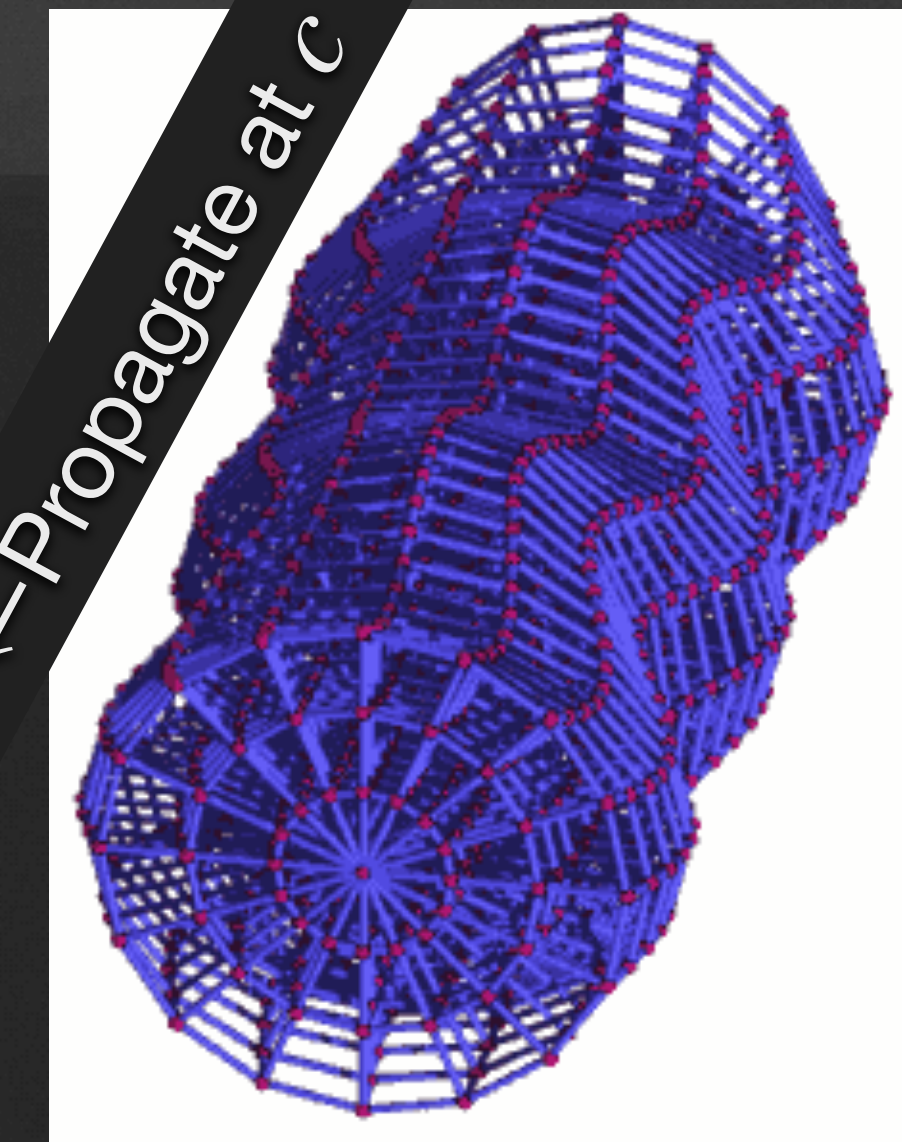
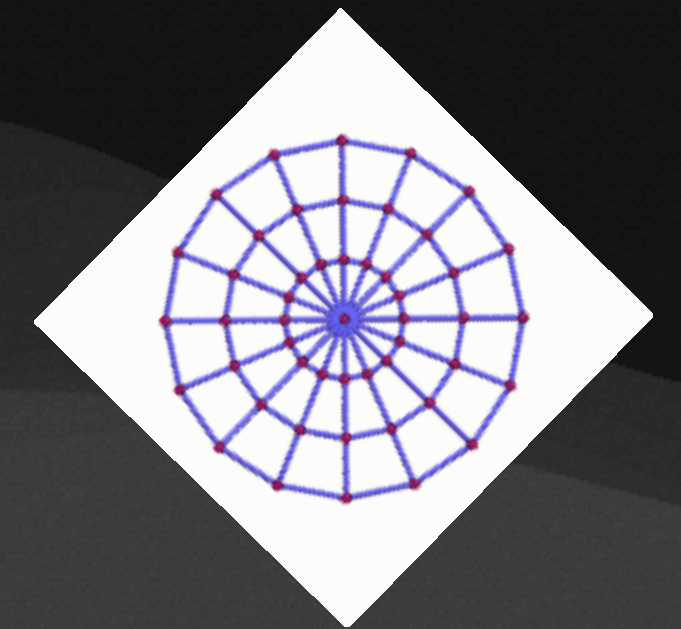
Basic principles

- Curvature of spacetime changes around moving objects
→ change propagates at speed of light
- Linearize Einstein Equations of General Relativity → wave equation
- Waves stretch and squeeze the distance between freely-falling objects (Pirani 1957)

+ polarization



× polarization



Electromagnetic radiation

Charge monopole

$$Q = \sum_k q_k$$

$$E \sim \frac{Q}{r^2}$$

$Q \sim f(t - r/c)$
 Faraway source,
 varying in time

$$E \sim \cancel{\frac{Q}{r}}$$

Charge conservation;
 No monopole radiation

Charge dipole

$$P_i = \sum_k q_k s_{ki}$$

$$E \sim \frac{P}{r^3}$$

$P \sim f(t - r/c)$
 Faraway source,
 varying in time

$$E \sim \frac{\dot{P}}{r^2}$$

$$E \sim \frac{\ddot{P}}{r}$$

Dipole
 Radiation

Gravitational radiation

Mass monopole

$$M = \sum_k m_k$$

$$g' \sim \frac{M}{r^3}$$

$M \sim f(t - r/c)$
 Faraway source,
 varying in time

$$g' \sim \frac{\cancel{M}}{r^2}$$

Mass conservation at $1/r^2$;
 No monopole radiation

Mass dipole

$$P_i = \sum_k m_k s_{ki}$$

$$g' \sim \frac{P}{r^4}$$

$P \sim f(t - r/c)$
 Faraway source,
 varying in time

$$g' \sim \frac{\dot{P}}{r^3}, \quad g' \sim \frac{\ddot{P}}{r^2} = \frac{\sum_i m_i \cancel{a}_i}{r^2}$$

Momentum conservation at $1/r^2$;
 No dipole radiation

Mass quadrupole

$$Q_{ij} = \sum_k m_k s_{ki} s_{kj}$$

$$g' \sim \frac{Q}{r^4}$$

$Q \sim f(t - r/c)$
 Faraway source,
 varying in time

$$g' \sim \frac{\dot{Q}}{r^4}, \quad g' \sim \frac{\ddot{Q}}{r}$$

Gravitational radiation from
 quadrupole

Sources of gravitational waves

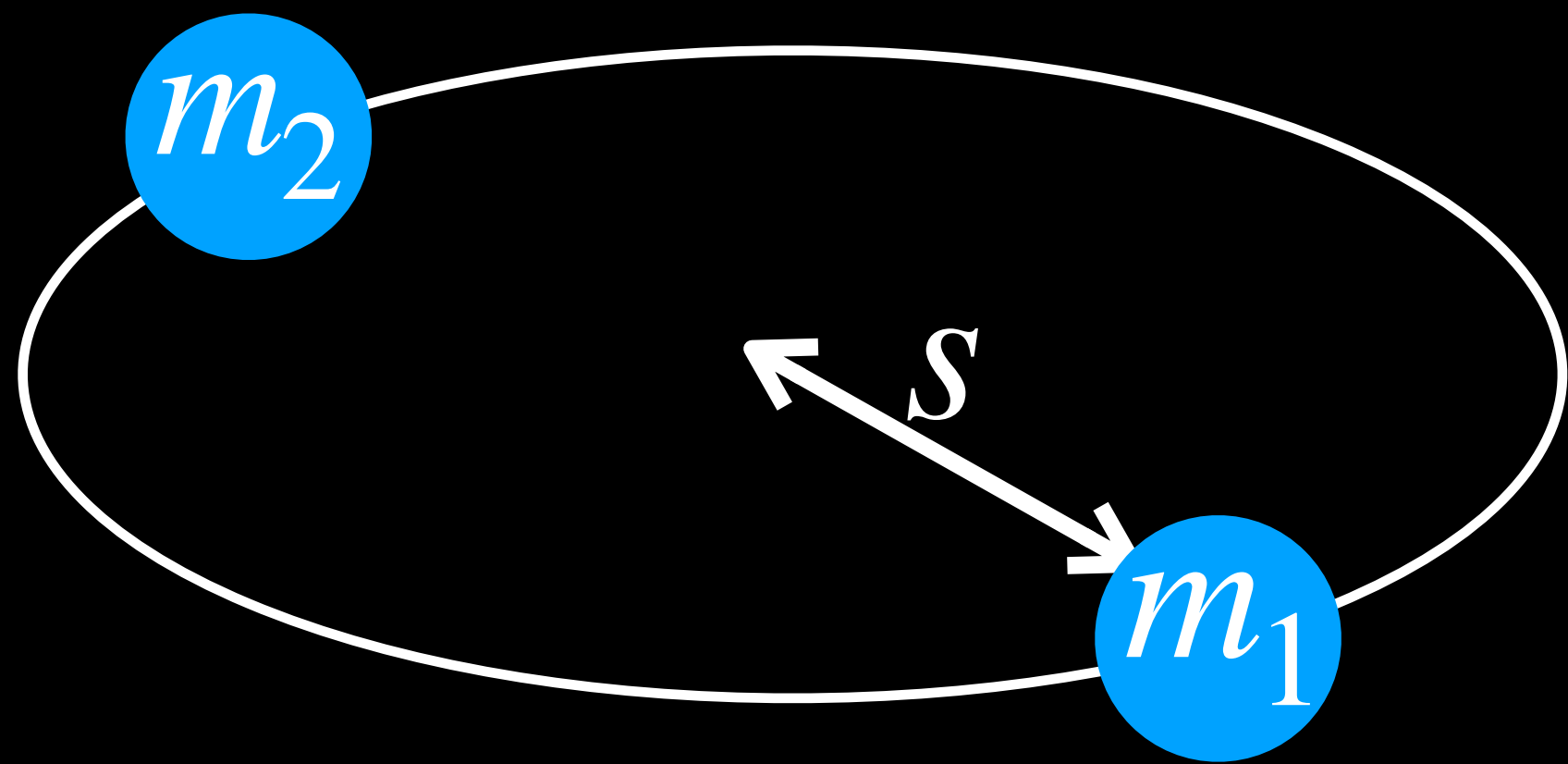
What makes gravitational waves?

Oscillatory source d away,
mass M , size s , frequency f :
Quadrupole moment $Q \sim Ms^2$

$$g' \sim \frac{\ddot{Q}}{r} \sim GM \frac{f^4 s^2}{c^4 r}$$

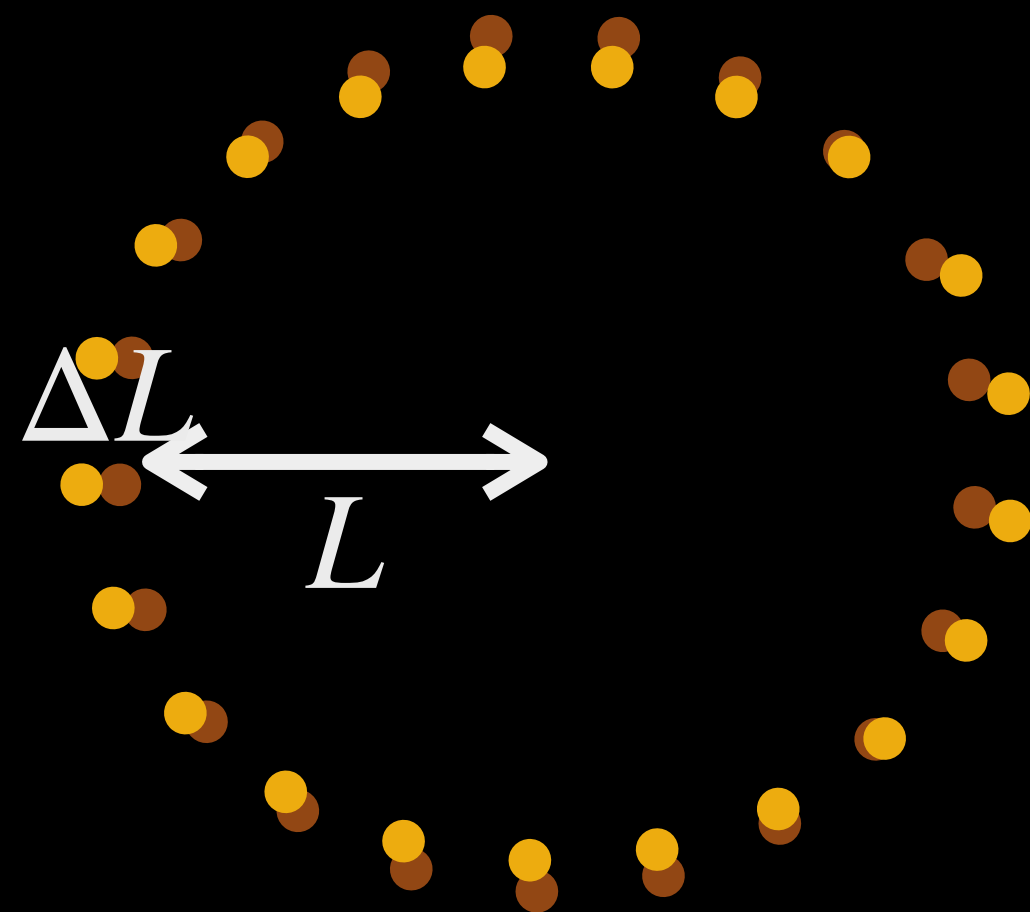
e.g. binary orbit with:

mass M , size s , orbital frequency f



Gravitational-wave strain

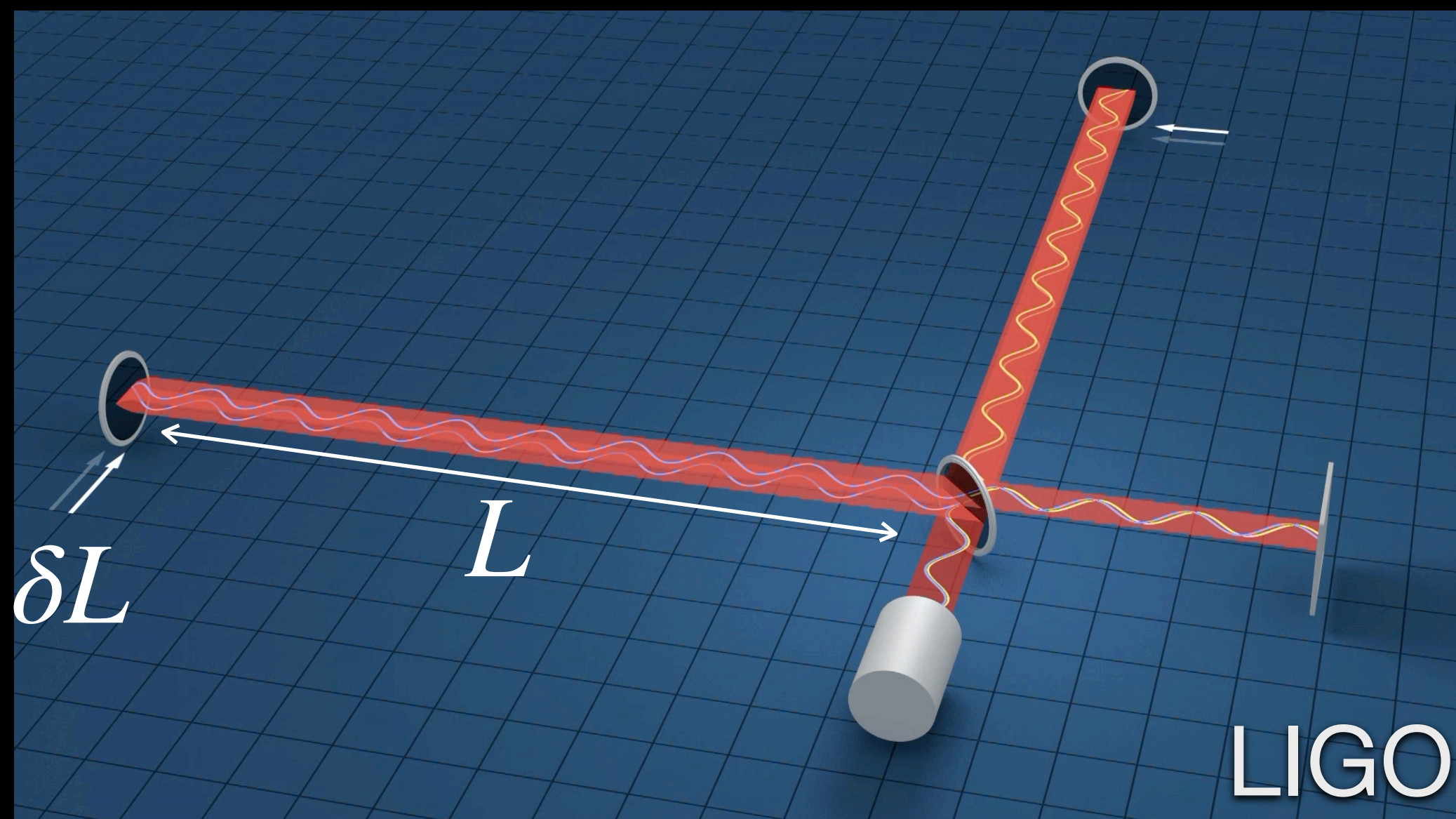
What the observatories measure



Test particles: differential acceleration
$$\Delta a = g' L = d^2(\Delta L)/dt^2$$

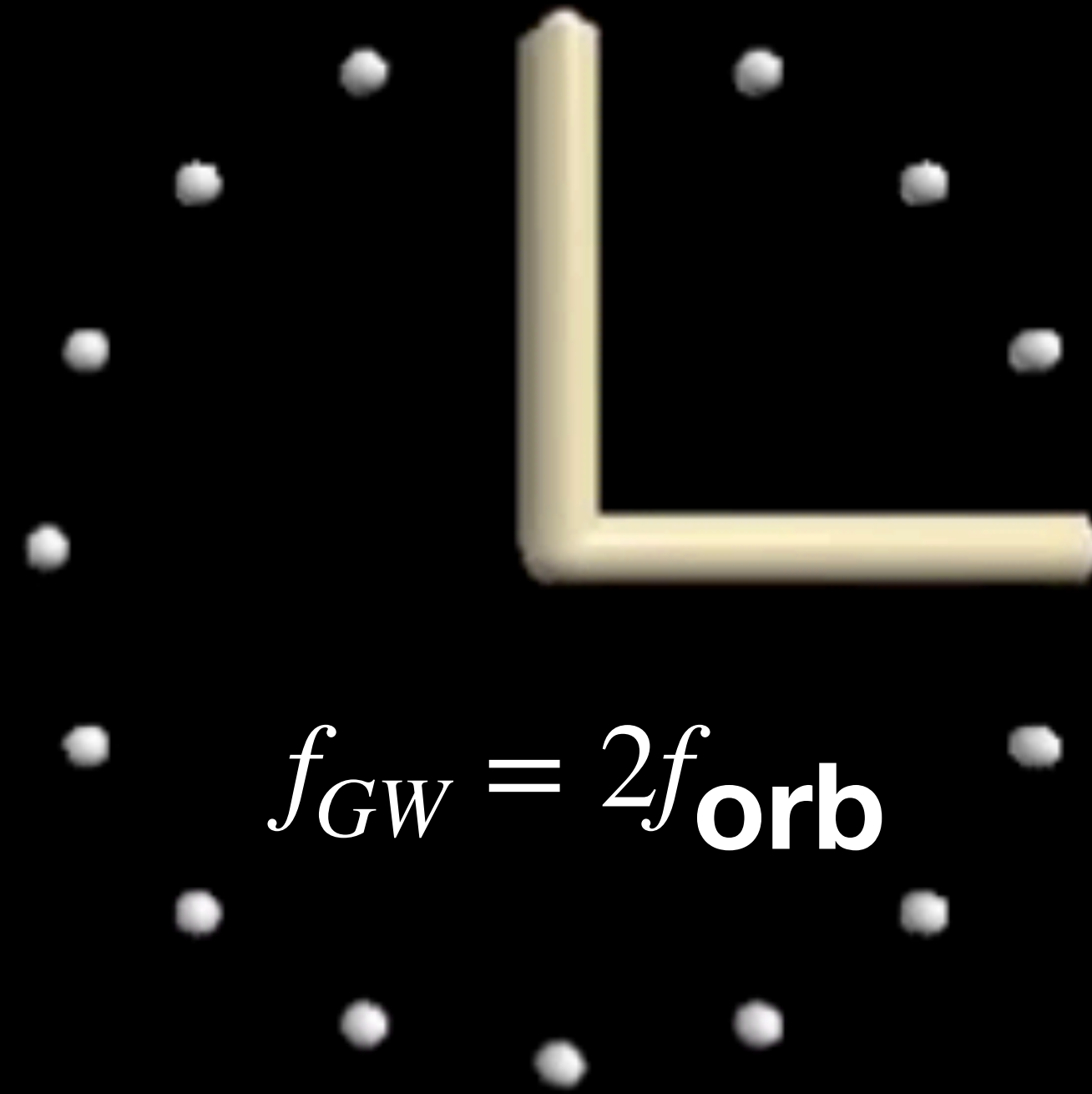
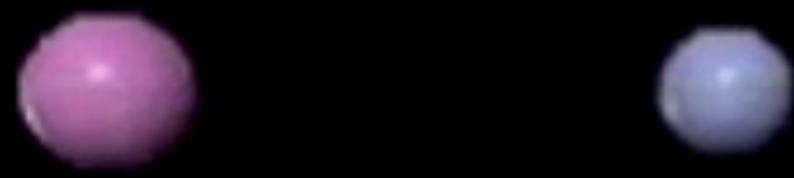
Relative displacement from integration

$$h \equiv 2 \frac{\Delta L}{L} \sim GM \frac{f^2 s^2}{c^2 r} \sim \frac{G M v_{\perp}^2}{c^2 r c^2}$$



Gravitational Waves Demystified, T. Creighton
Gravity from the Ground Up, B. Schutz

Binary Orbit



Kepler's law $f^2 \propto G \frac{M}{s^3}$

$$f_{GW} = 2f_{orb}$$

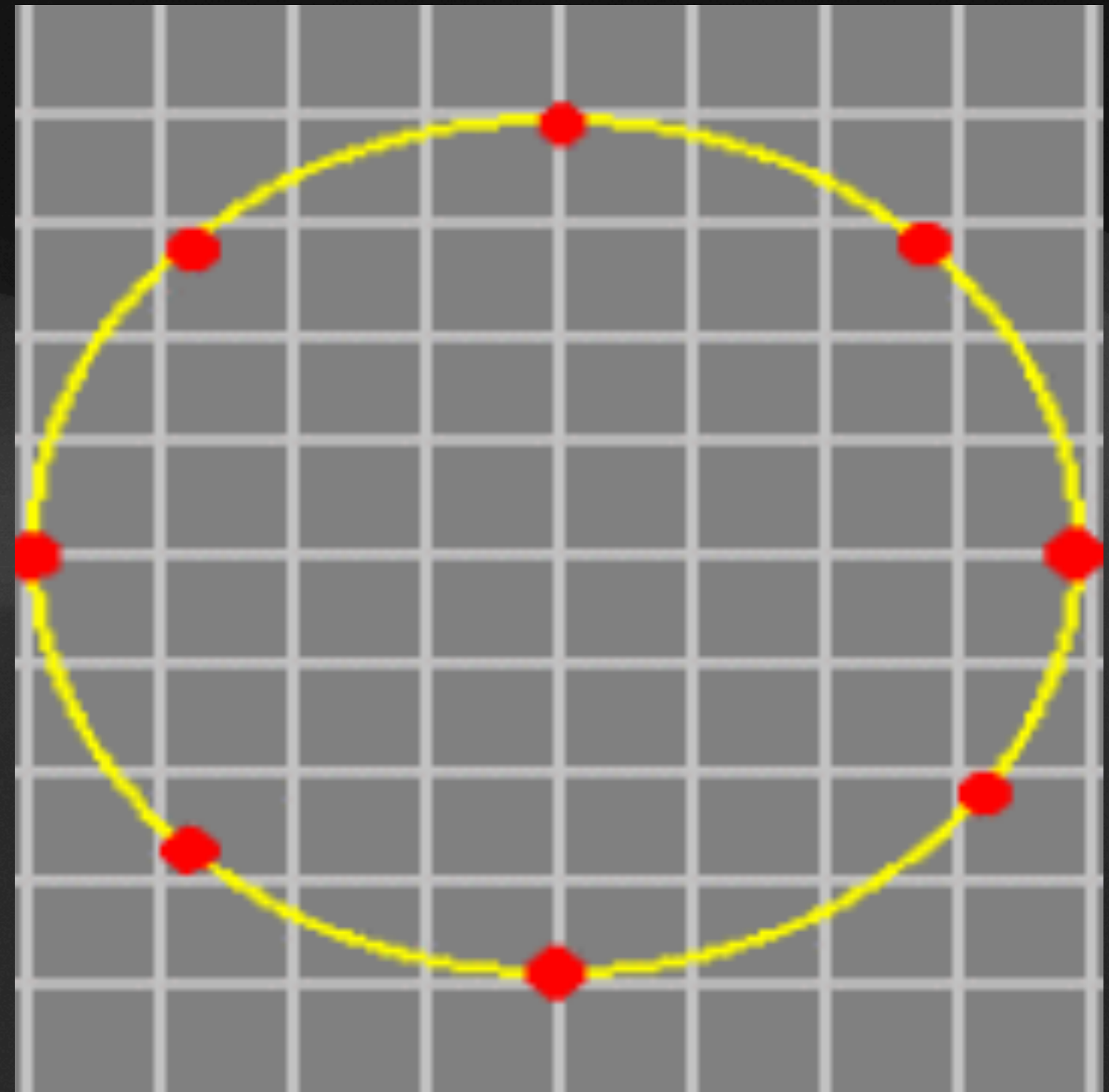
$$h = 2 \frac{\delta L}{L} \sim 10^{-21} \frac{100 \text{ Mpc}}{d_L} \frac{M}{1.4 M_{\odot}} \frac{R_S}{s}$$

R_S the Schwarzschild radius of the orbiting mass ($R_S = 2GM/c^2$)

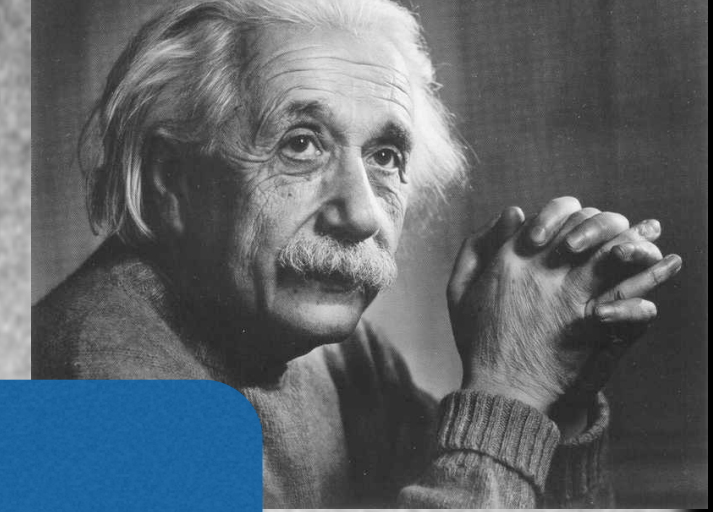


Effects of gravitational waves

- Fractional change shown 10%)
 $h \sim 10^{-1}$
- Fractional change from gravitational waves arriving at Earth is $h \sim 10^{-21}$
- Suppose circle radius = 4 km,
position change is 10^{-18} m
($\approx r_{\text{proton}}/1000$)



Freely falling massless test particles



One obtains the radiated energy of the system per unit time... sees that it must have in all conceivable situations a practically vanishing value.

Von A. EINSTEIN.

ein. Man erhält aus ihm also die Ausstrahlung A des Systems pro Zeiteinheit durch Multiplikation mit $4\pi R^2$:

$$A = \frac{\varkappa}{24\pi} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left(\frac{\partial^3 J_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial t^3} \right)^2. \quad (21)$$

Würde man die Zeit in Sekunden, die Energie in Erg messen, so würde zu diesem Ausdruck der Zahlenfaktor $\frac{1}{c^4}$ hinzutreten. Berücksichtigt man außerdem, daß $\varkappa = 1.87 \cdot 10^{-27}$, so sieht man, daß A in allen nur denkbaren Fällen einen praktisch verschwindenden Wert haben muß.

Gravitational-wave luminosity

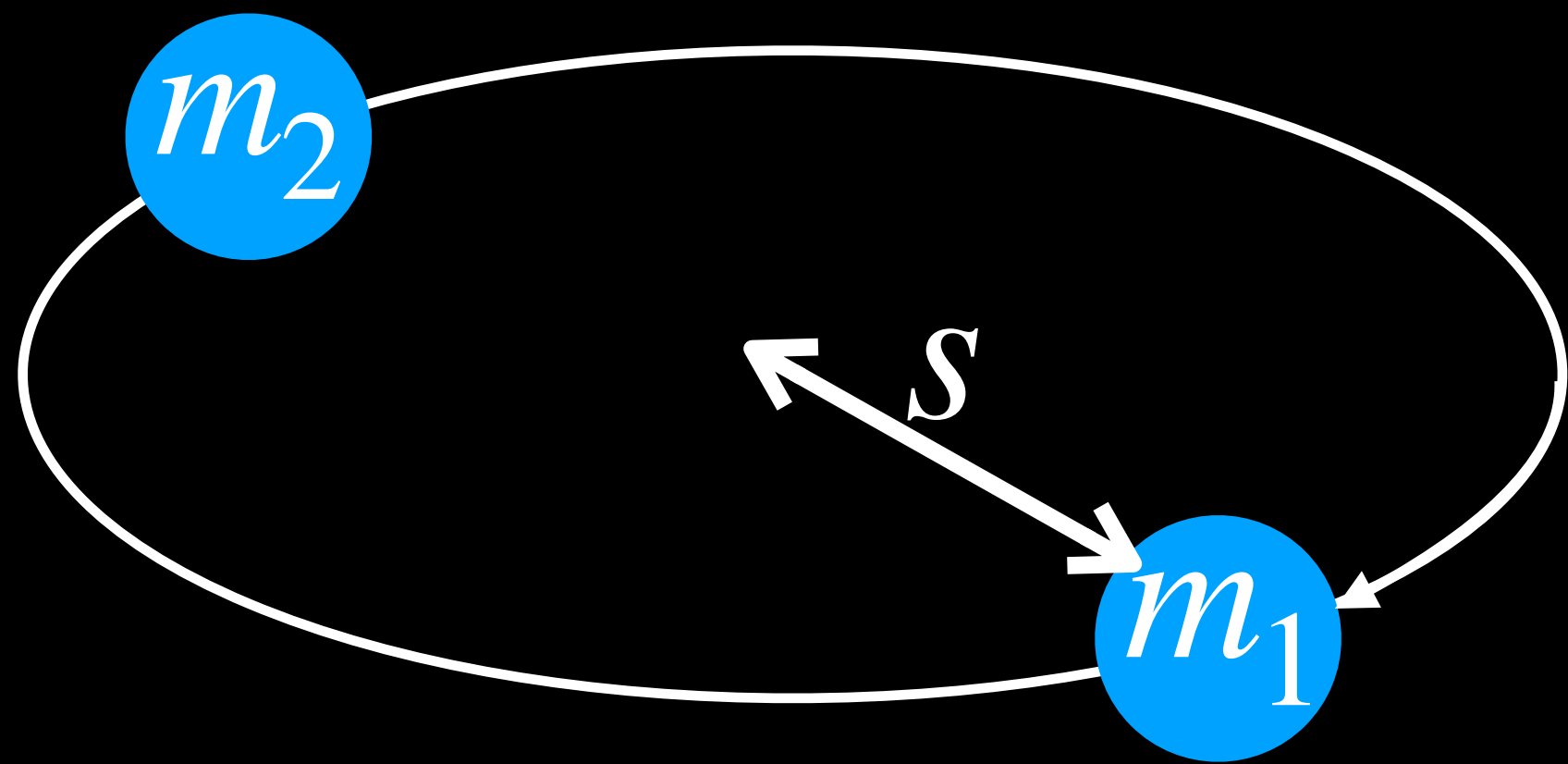
GW energy flux $\sim f^2 h^2$, integrate over sphere $\sim d^2$

$$\mathcal{L}_{GW} \sim \left(\frac{c^5}{G} \right) f^2 d^2 \left(GM \frac{f^4 s^2}{c^4 d} \right)^2$$

Binary orbit example:

Keplerian orbits, $R_S = 2GM/c^2$

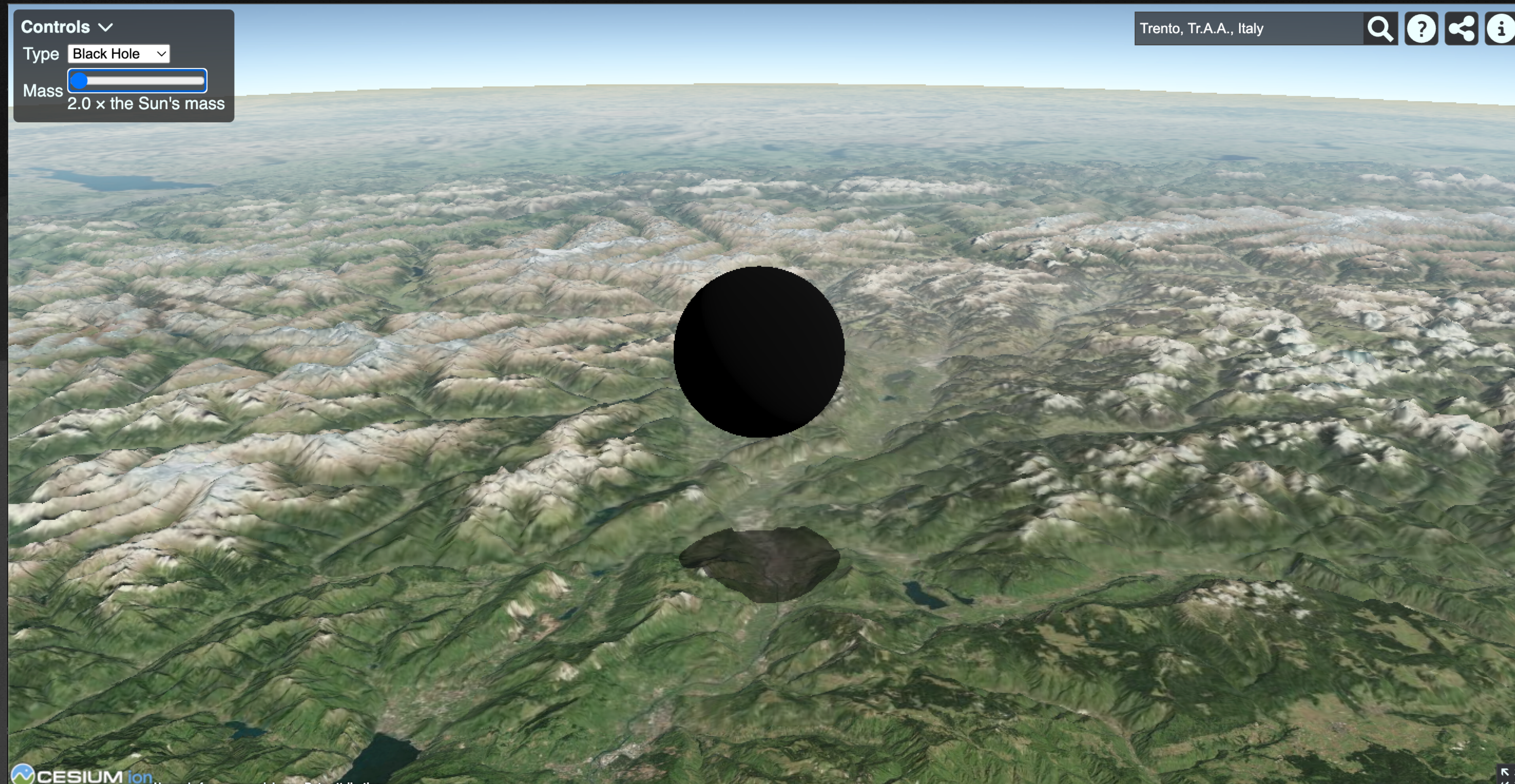
$$\mathcal{L}_{GW} \sim \frac{c^5}{G} \left(\frac{R_S}{s} \right)^2 \left(\frac{v}{c} \right)^6 \sim 10^{59} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \frac{R_S}{s}$$



Compact object size scale

2.0 M_{\odot} Black hole

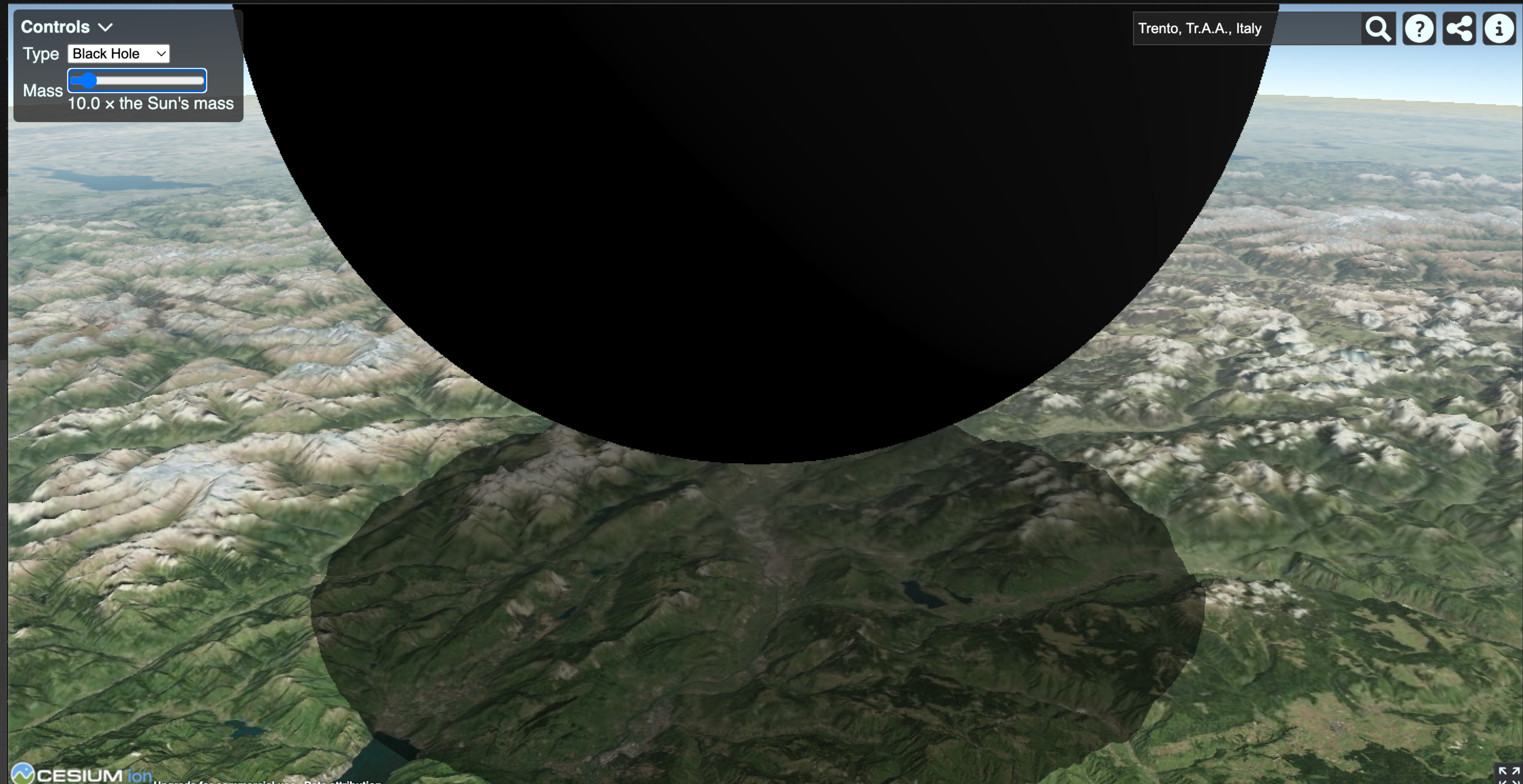
$$(R_S = 2GM/c^2)$$



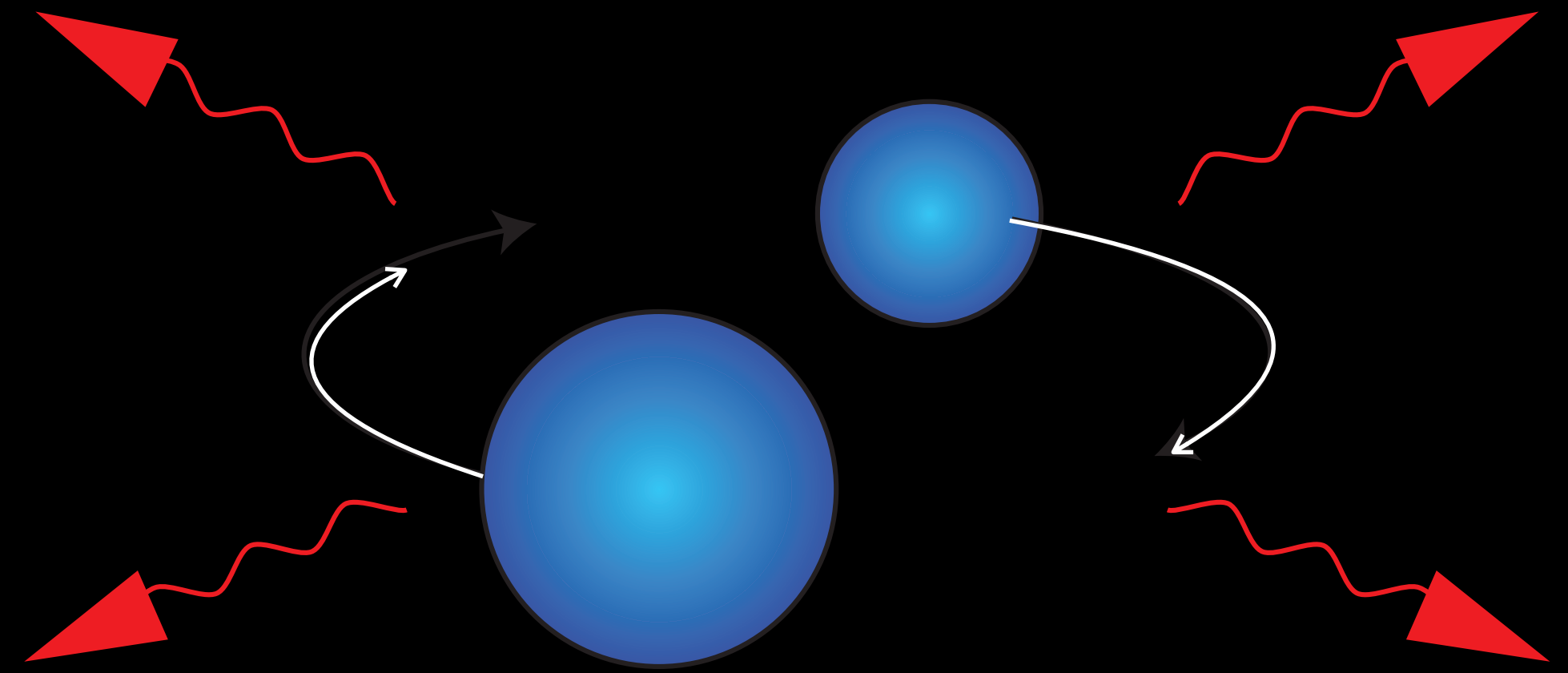
Compact object size scale

10 M_{\odot} Black hole

$$(R_S = 2GM/c^2)$$



The “chirp”

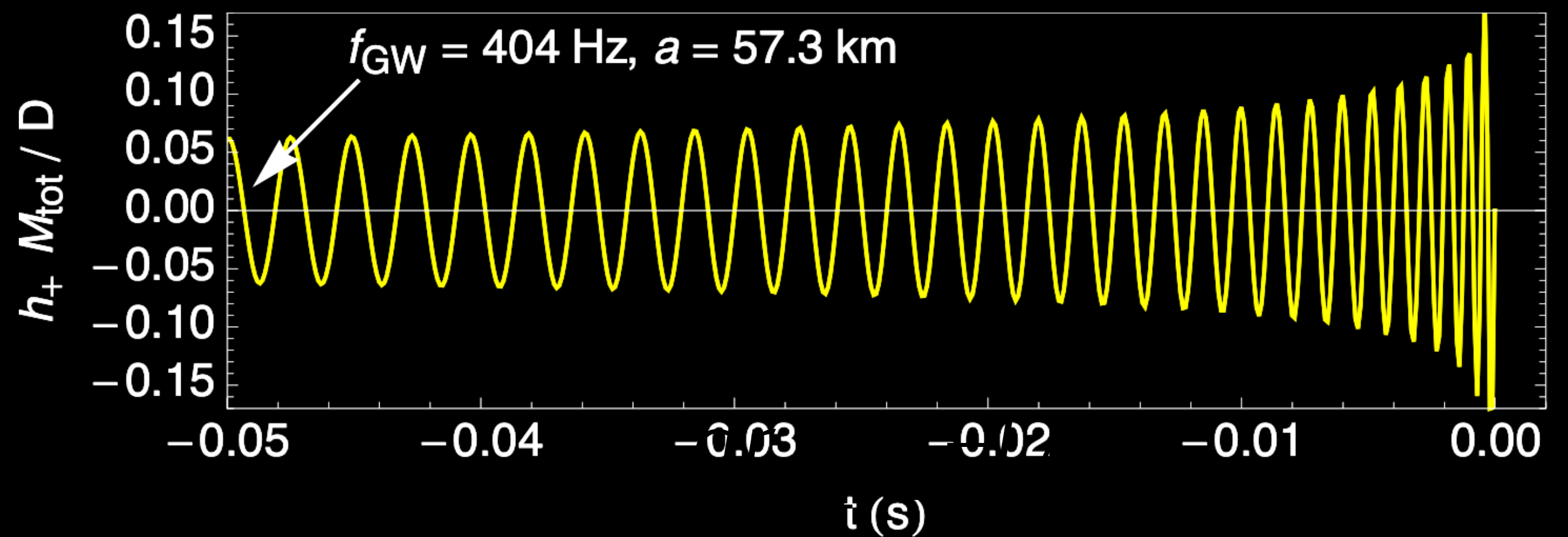


$$E_{orb} = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 v_1^2 + m_2 v_2^2) - G \frac{m_1 m_2}{a} = -G \frac{m_1 m_2}{2a} \quad \frac{dE}{dt} = -\mathcal{L}_{GW}$$

$$\frac{da}{dt} = \frac{-\mathcal{L}_{GW}}{dE_{orb}(a)/da}$$

Solve for $a(t)$

$$a(t) \leftrightarrow \mathcal{L}_{GW}(t) \leftrightarrow h(t)$$



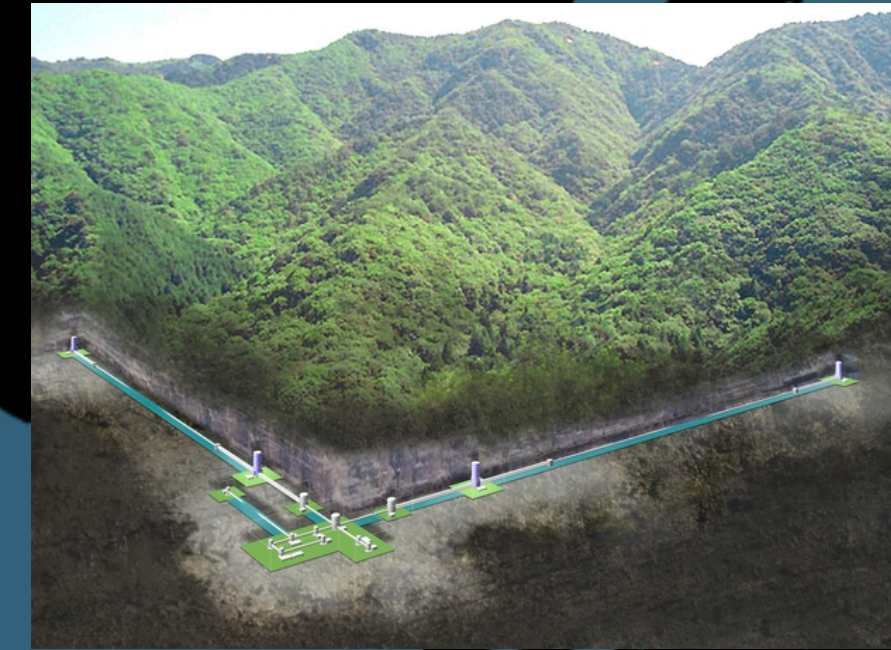
International network of gravitational-wave observatories



LIGO_H



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LIGO_I



LIGO_L



GEO600

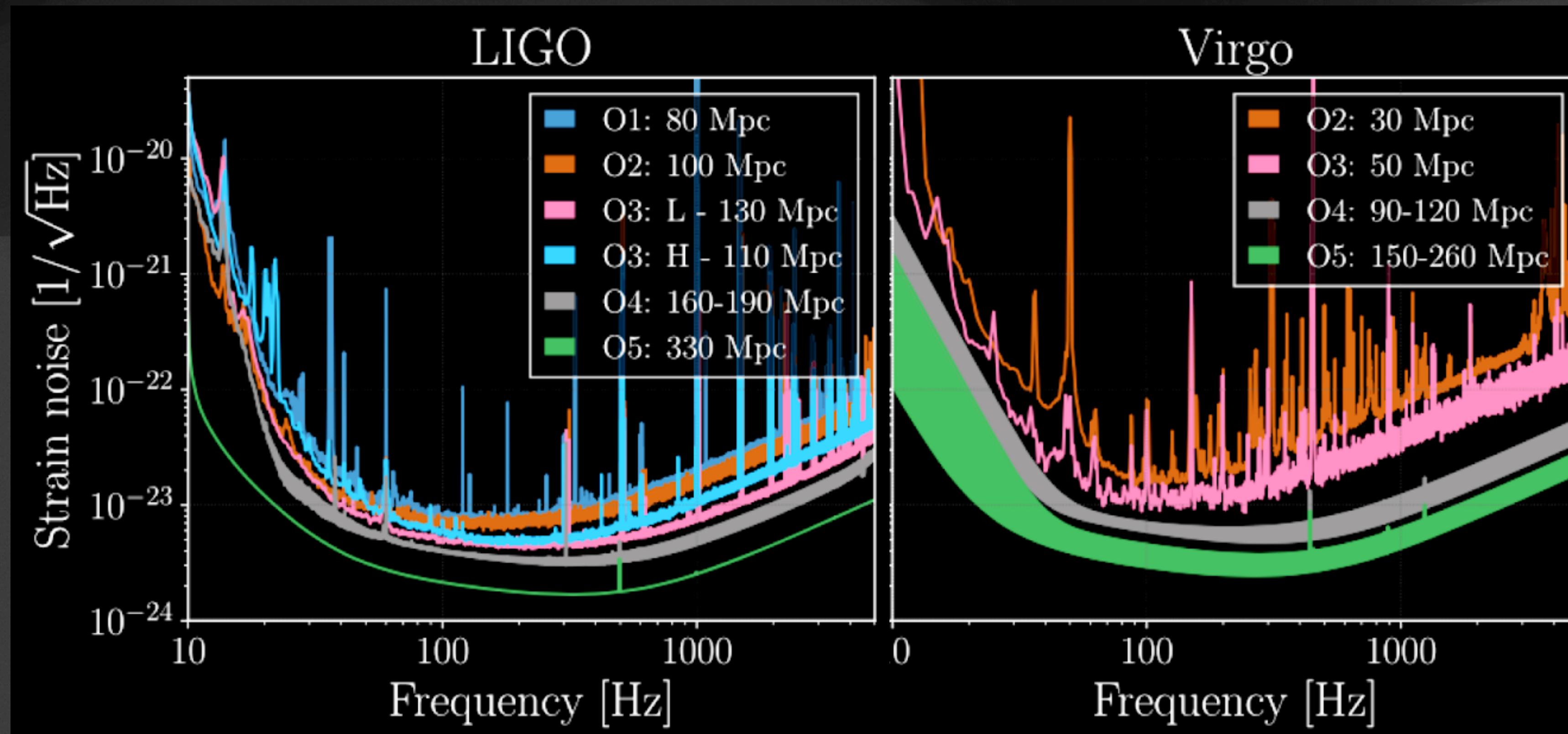


Virgo



Strain noise: detector sensitivity

- steady signal amplitude h_0 at f has signal-to-noise ratio $\propto h_0\sqrt{T} / \sqrt{S_n(f)}$
- compare strain noise $\sqrt{S_n(f)}$ to GW characteristic strain $|\tilde{h}(f)| f^{-1/2}$

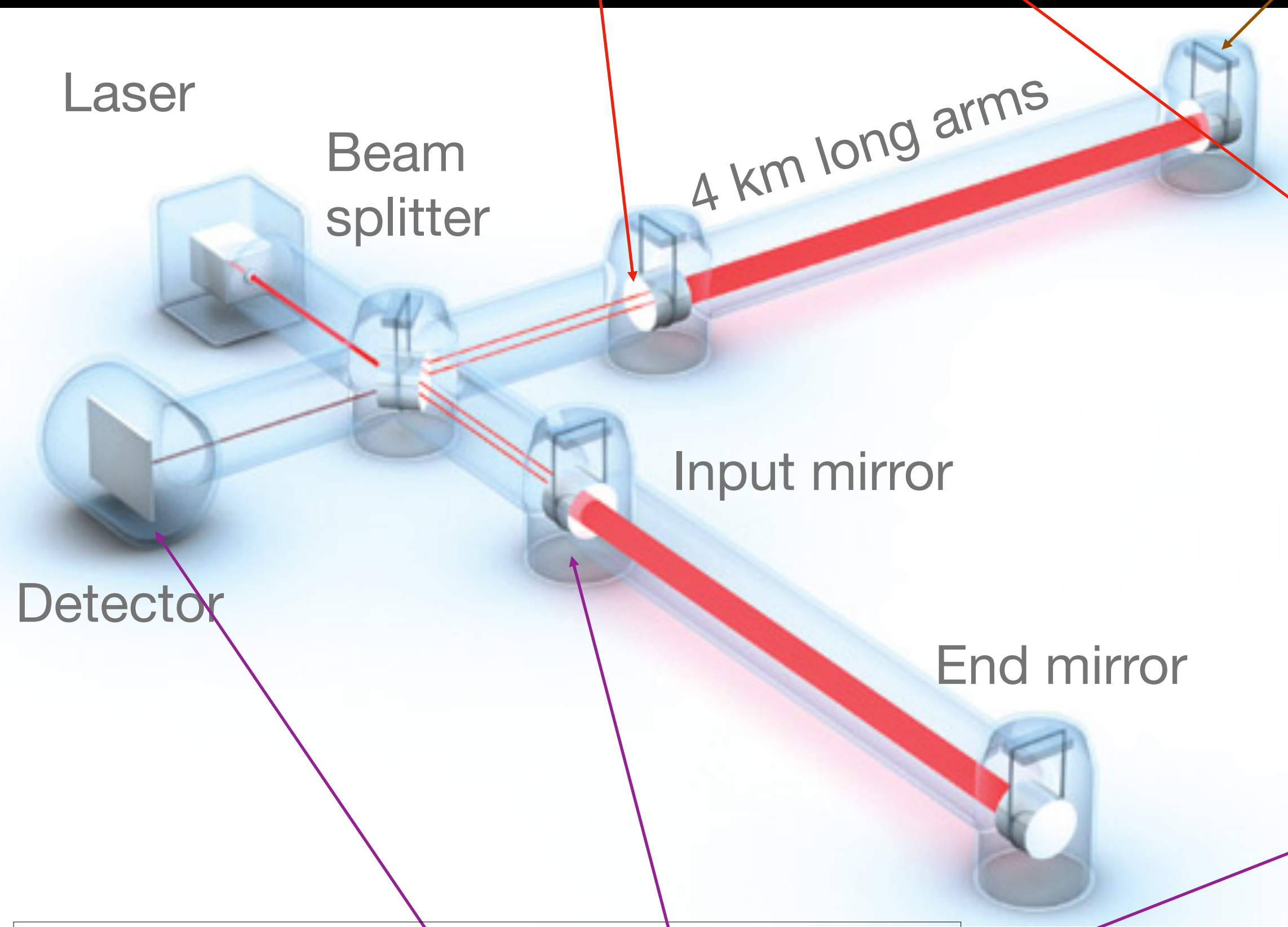


Noise background: limiting sources

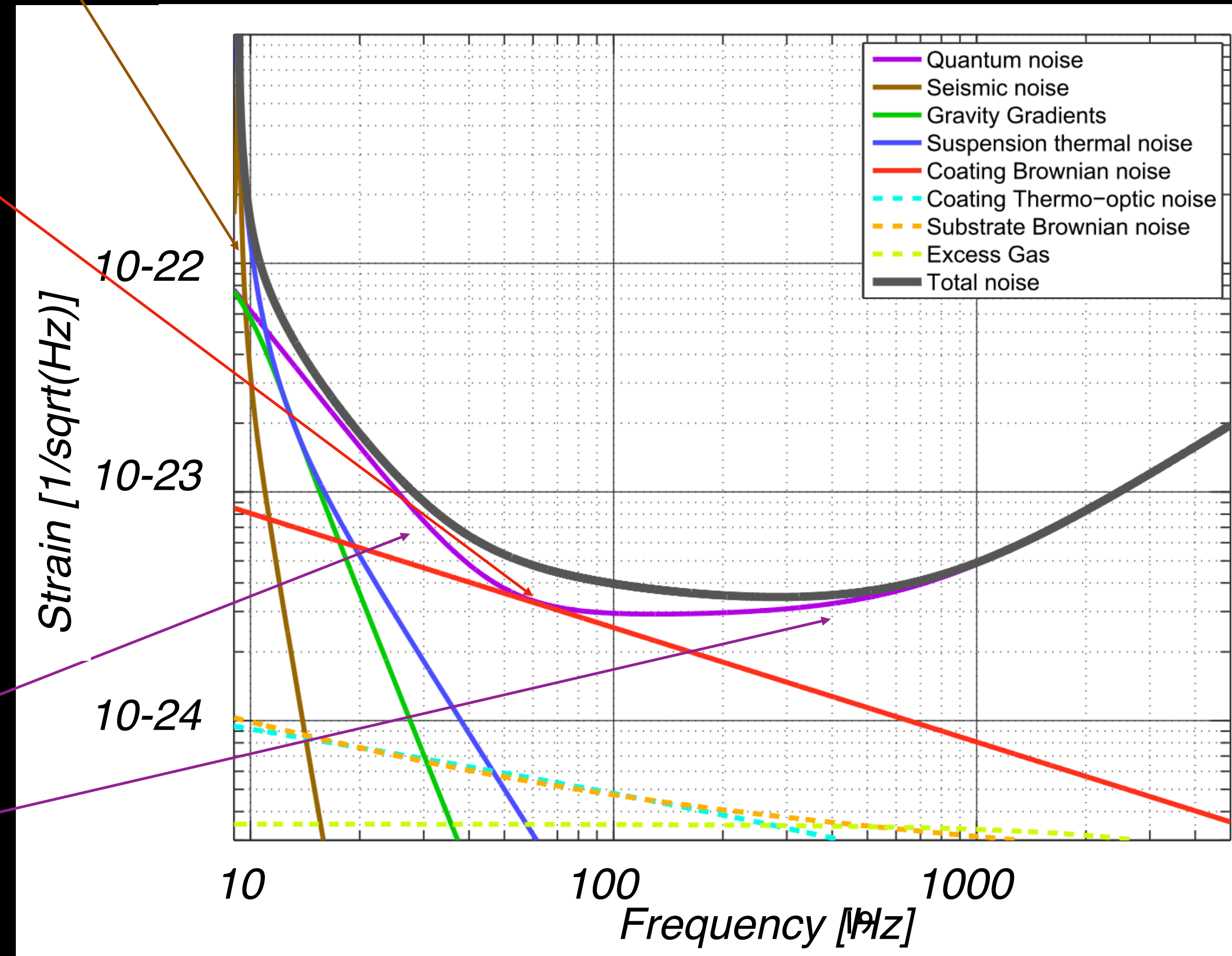
Thermal motion of the mirror coatings

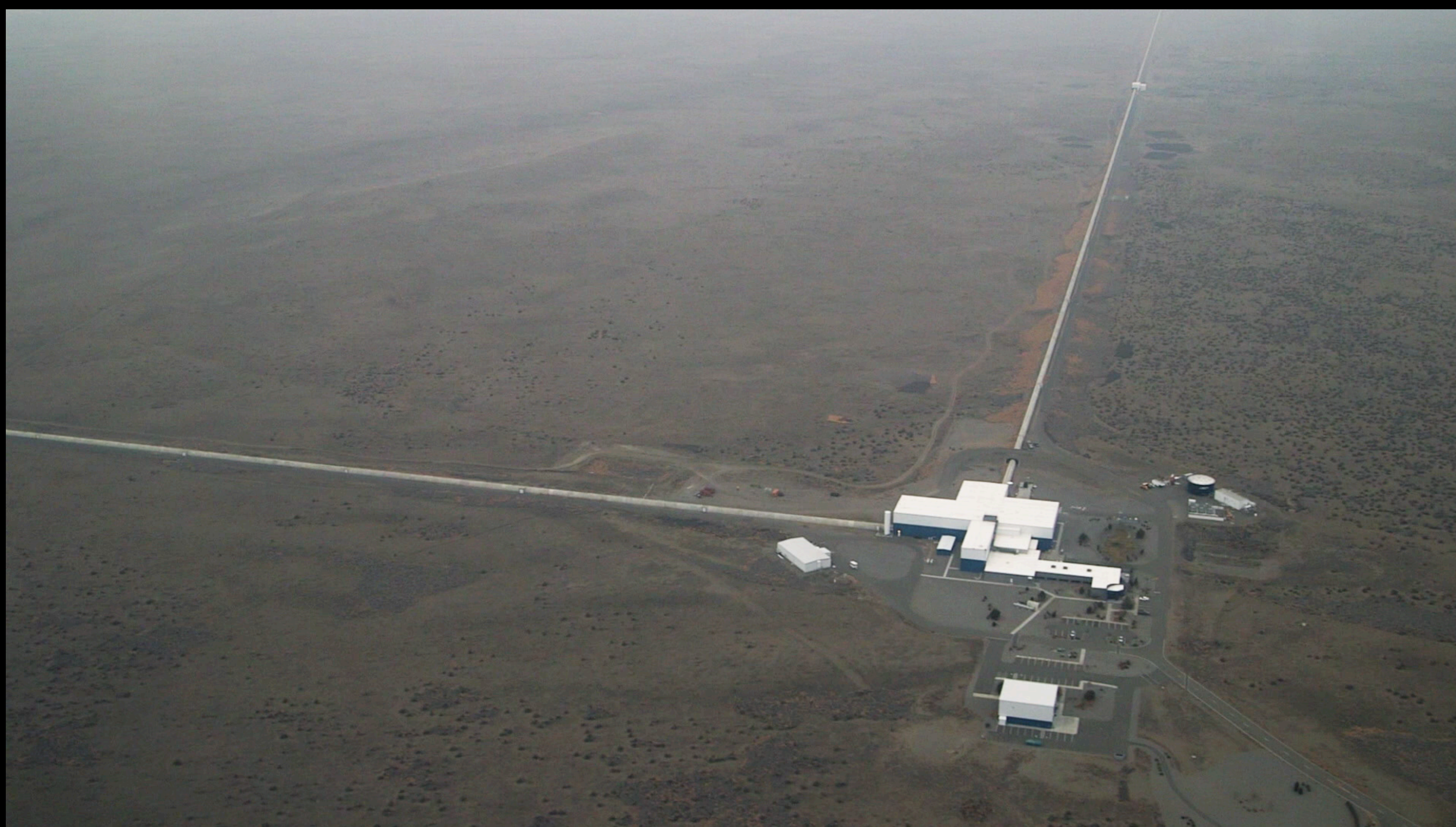
Seismic motion shakes mirrors

Class. Quantum Grav. 32 (2015) 074001



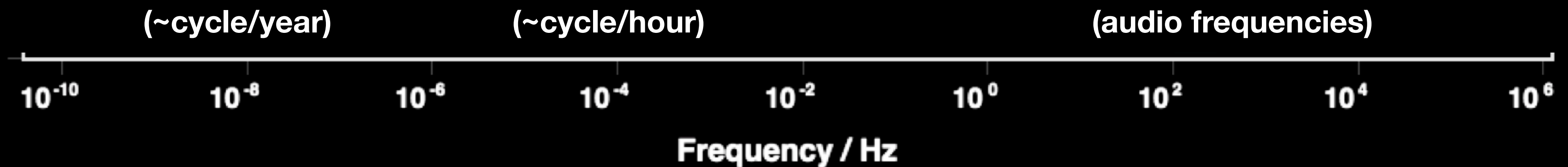
Quantum radiation pressure and shot noise

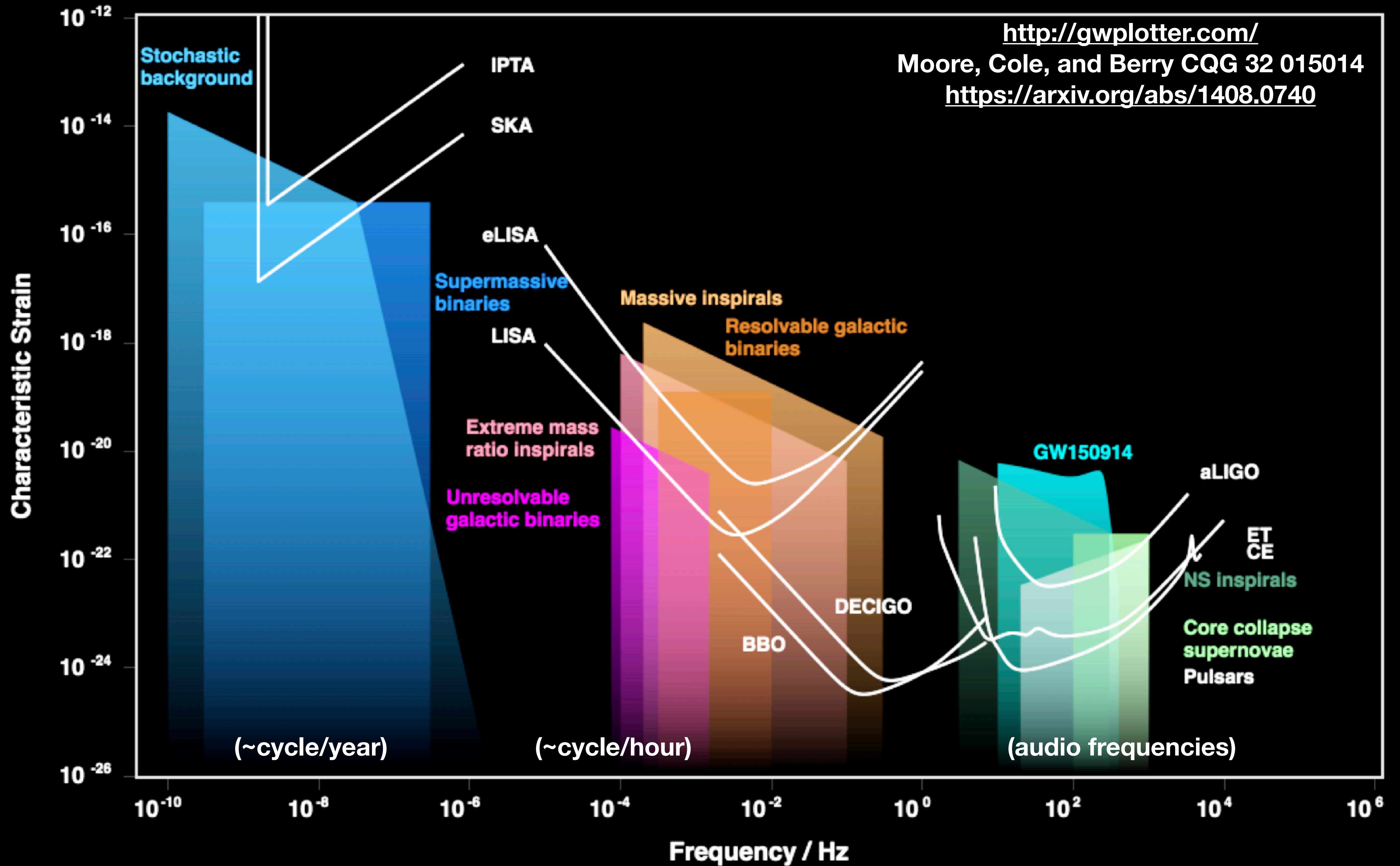




- Input laser light boosted to 35W+, circulating power goal 400 kW (Cahillane and Mansell <https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.00847>)
- Shot-noise squeezing of up to 6 dB (<https://dcc.ligo.org/LIGO-T2300411/public>)

The Gravitational-wave Spectrum



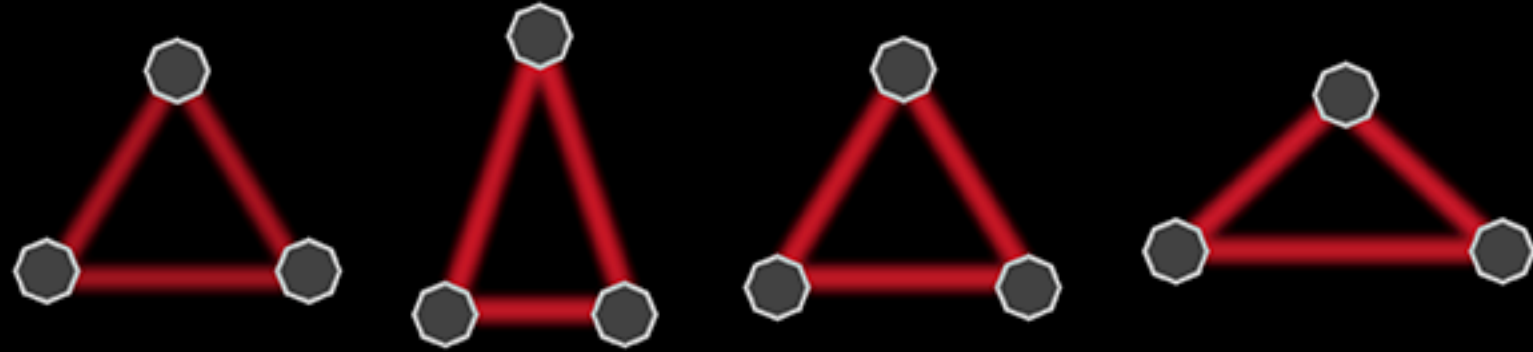


LISA - LASER INTERFEROMETER SPACE ANTENNA

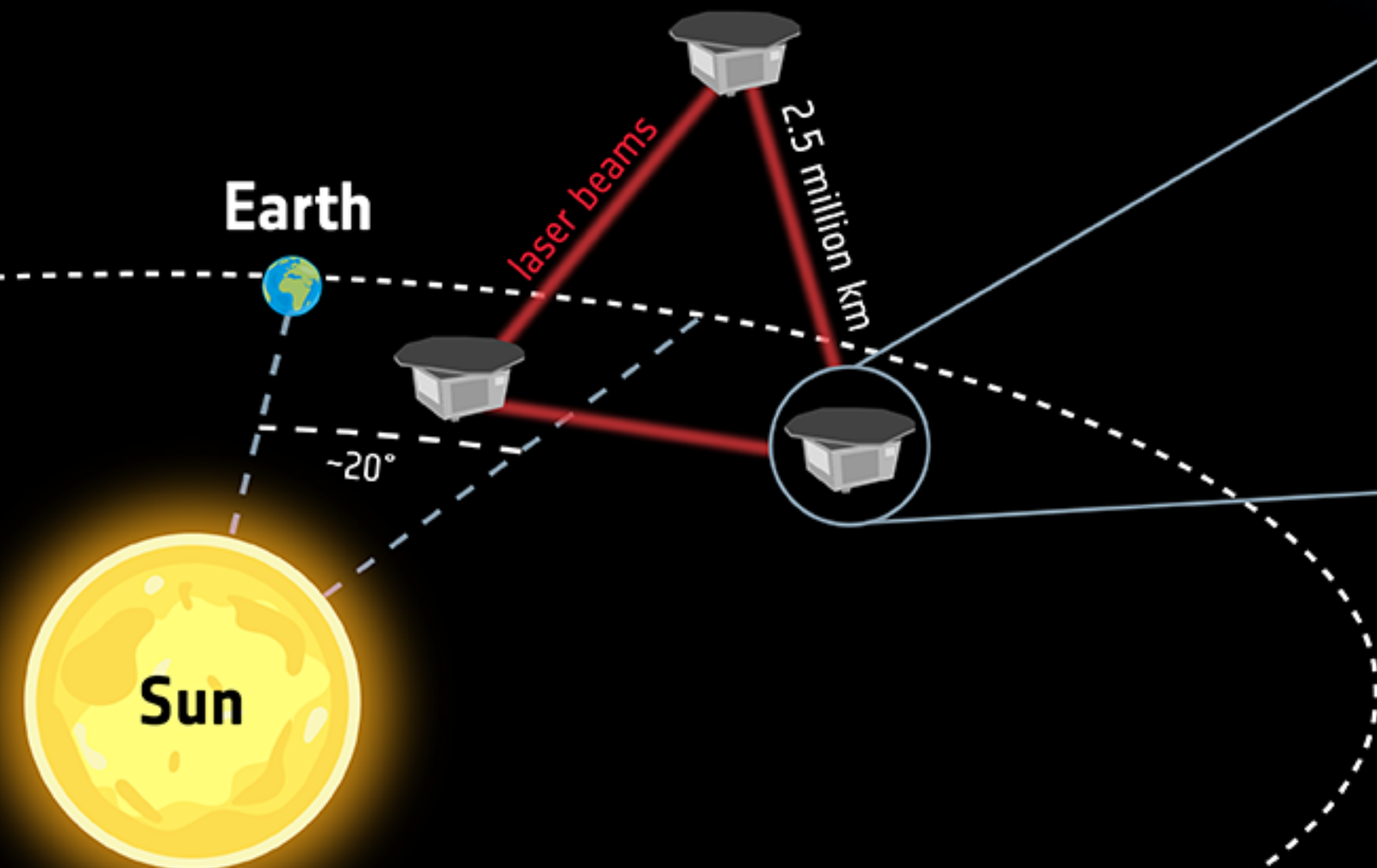
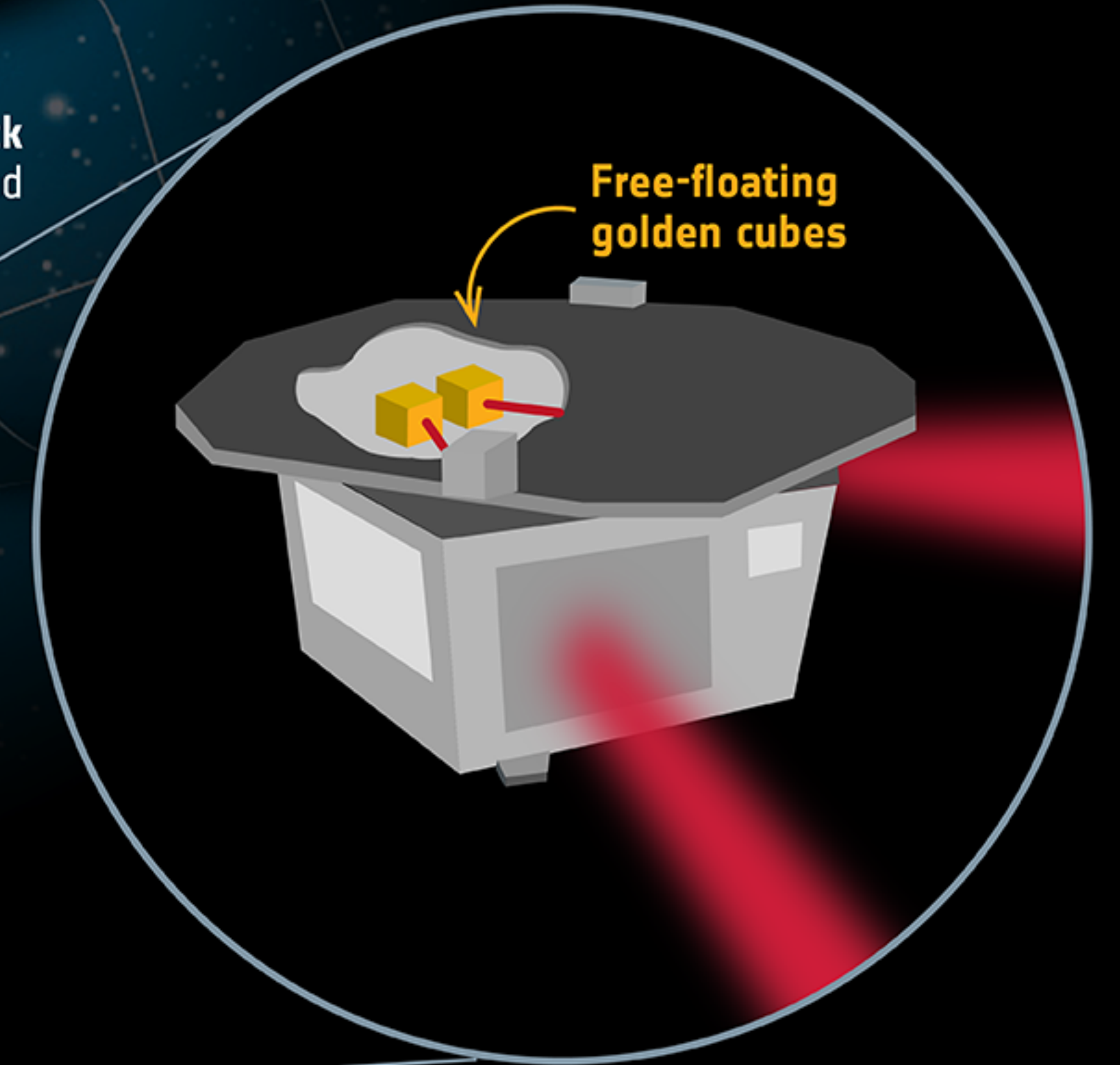
Gravitational waves are ripples in spacetime that alter the distances between objects. LISA will detect them by measuring subtle changes in the distances between **free-floating cubes** nestled within its three spacecraft.

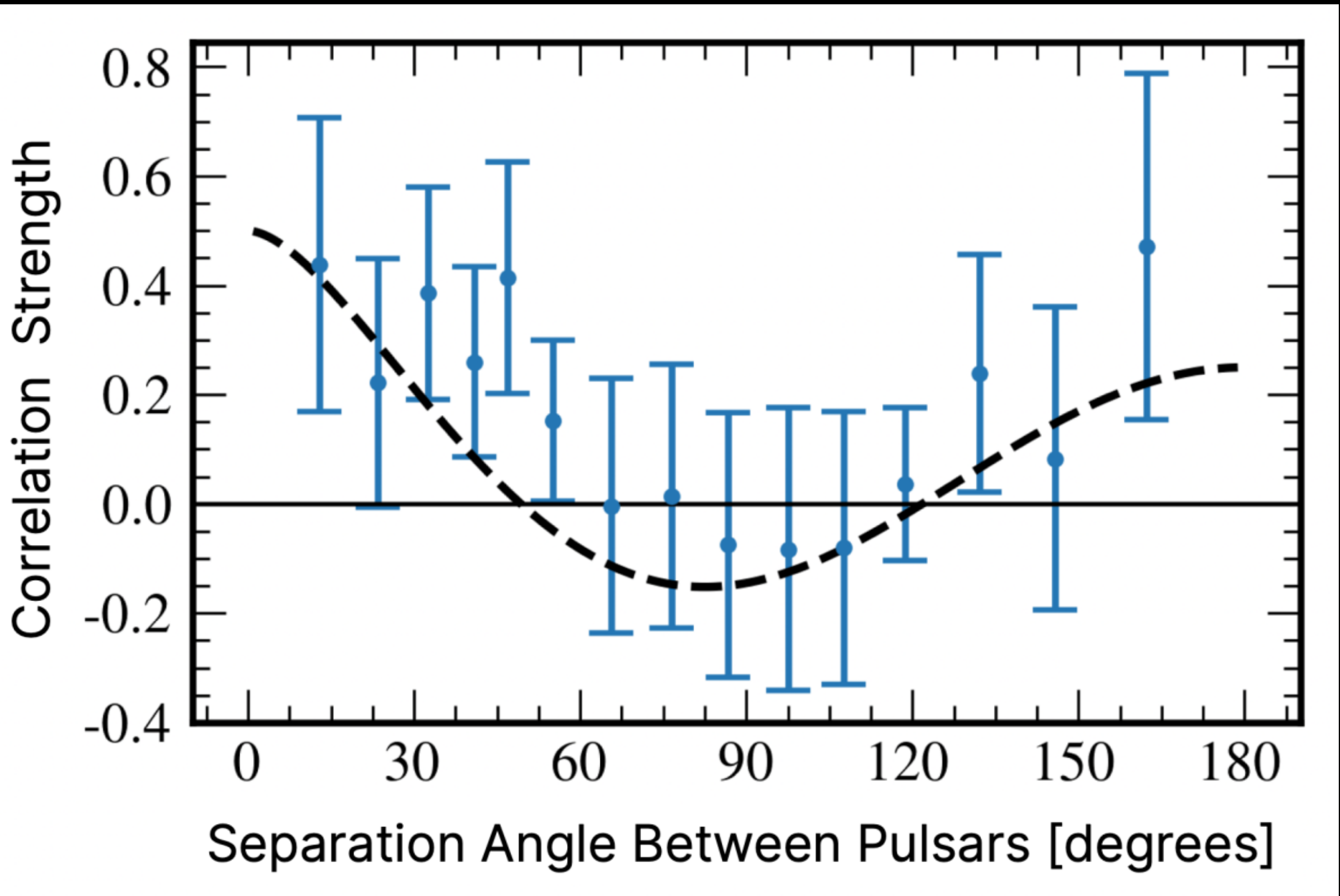
Powerful events such as **colliding black holes** shake the fabric of spacetime and cause gravitational waves

3 identical spacecraft exchange **laser beams**. Gravitational waves change the distance between the **free-floating cubes** in the different spacecraft. This tiny change will be measured by the laser beams.



** Changes in distances travelled by the laser beams are not to scale and extremely exaggerated*

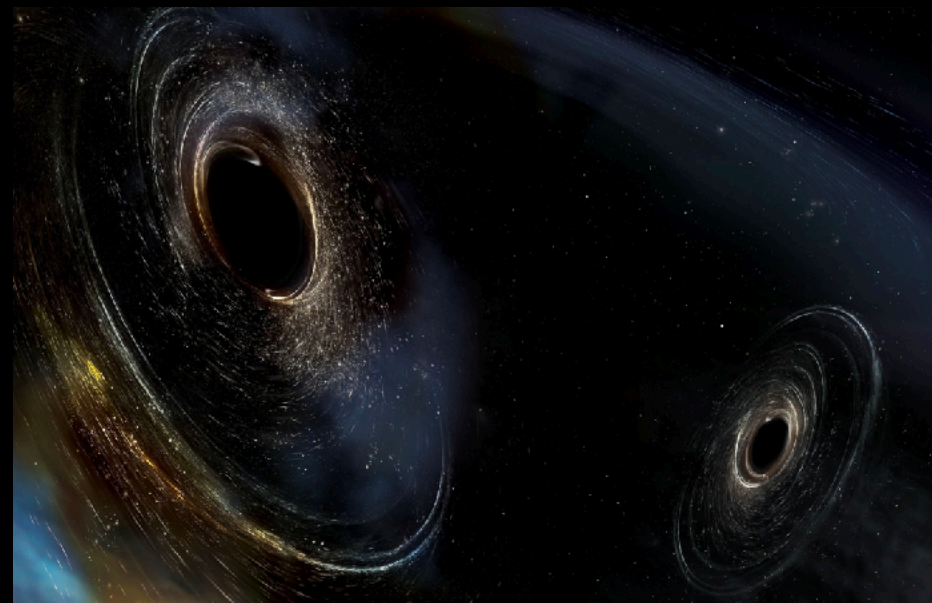




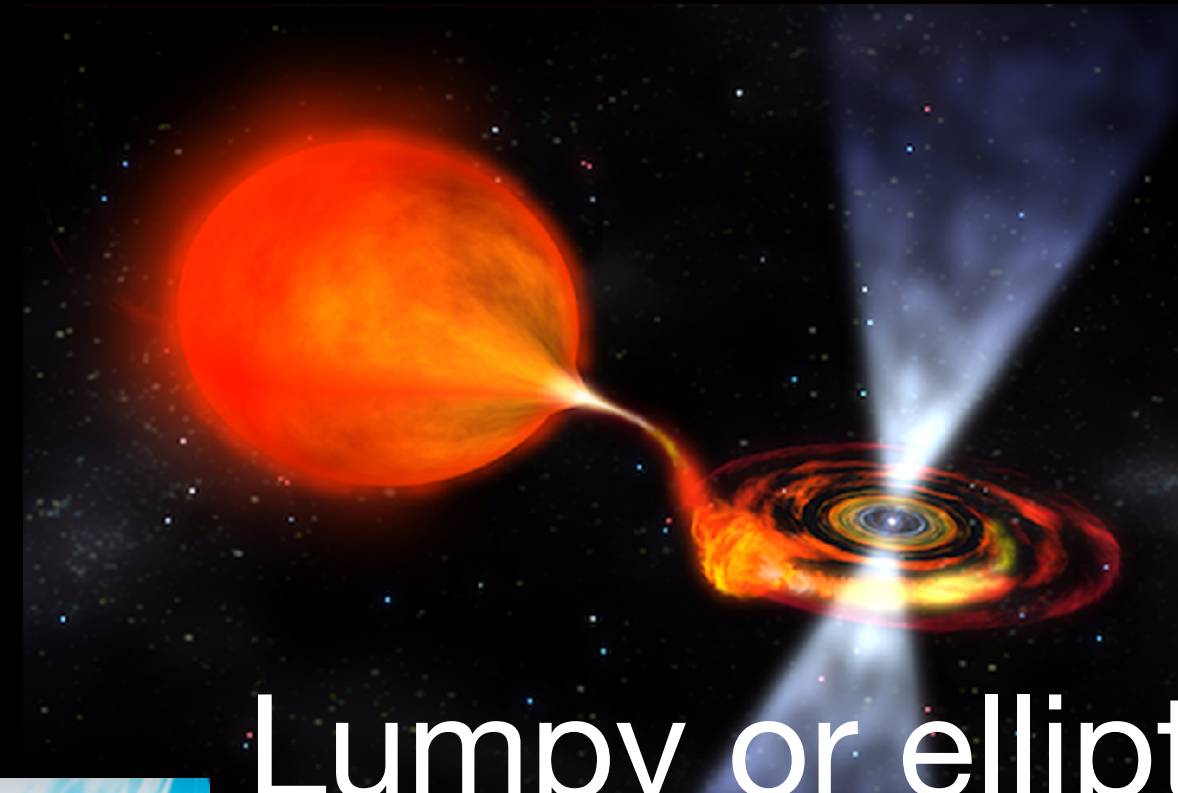
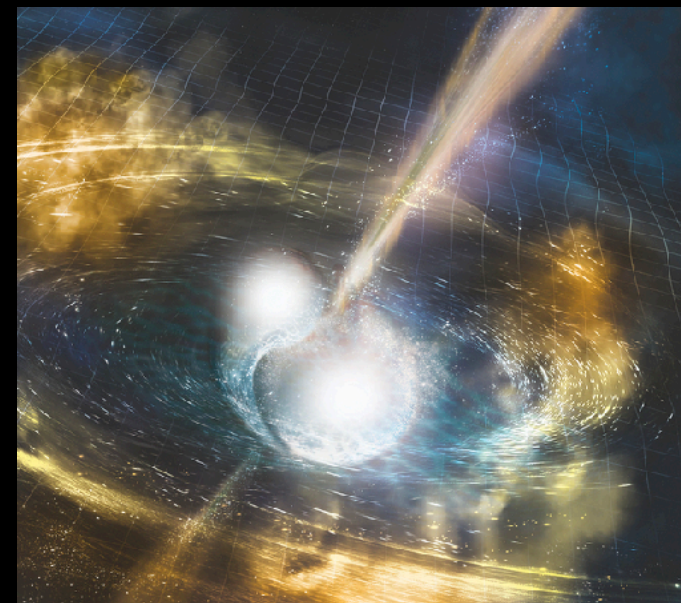
Agazie et al., 2023, The NANOGrav 15-year Data Set: The Stochastic Gravitational-Wave Background. <https://doi.org/10.3847/2041-8213/acdac6>

Potential sources of $\sim 10 - 4000$ Hz GW

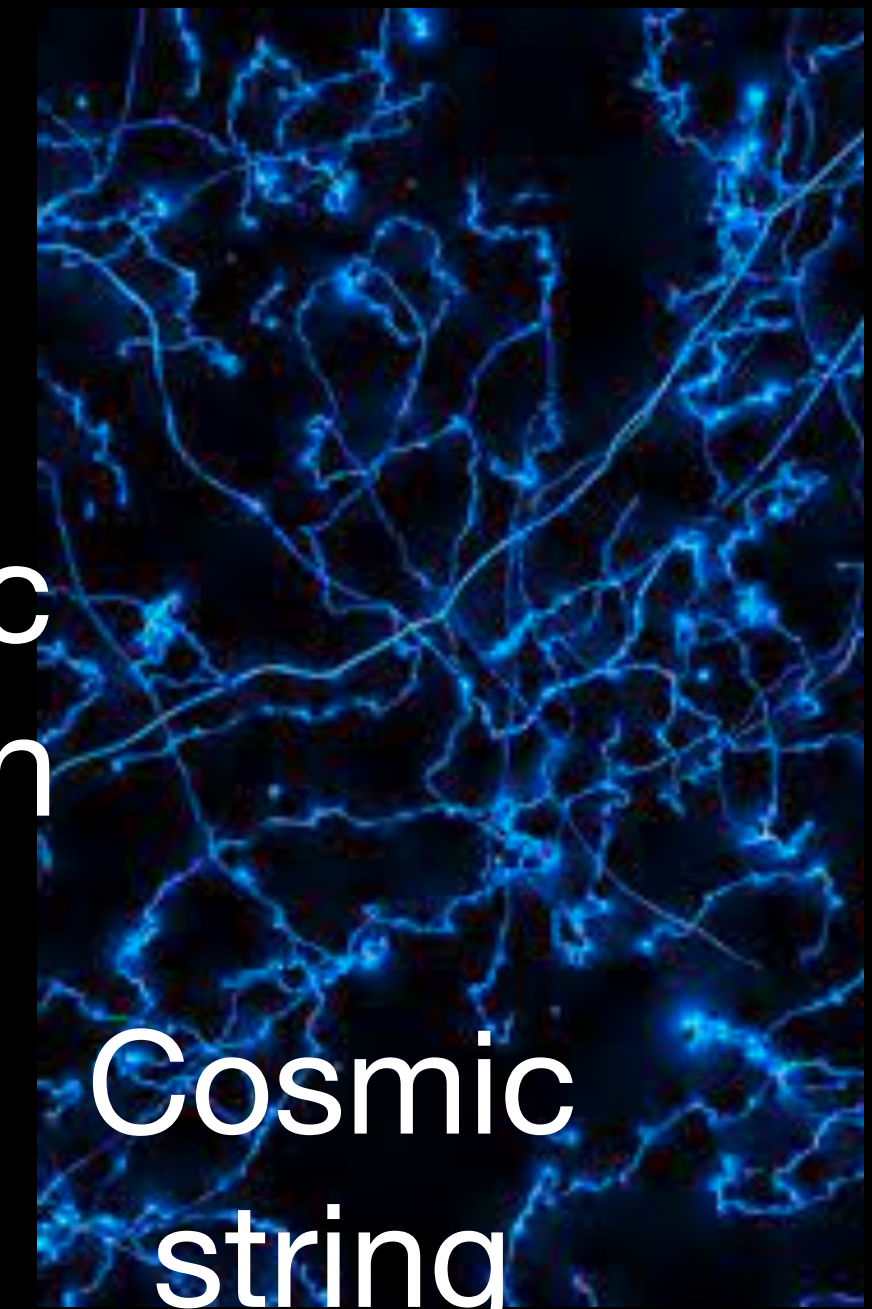
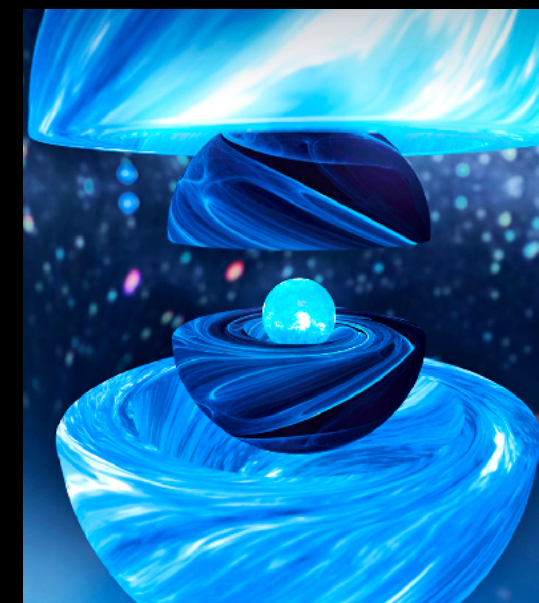
Black hole inspiral



Neutron star inspiral

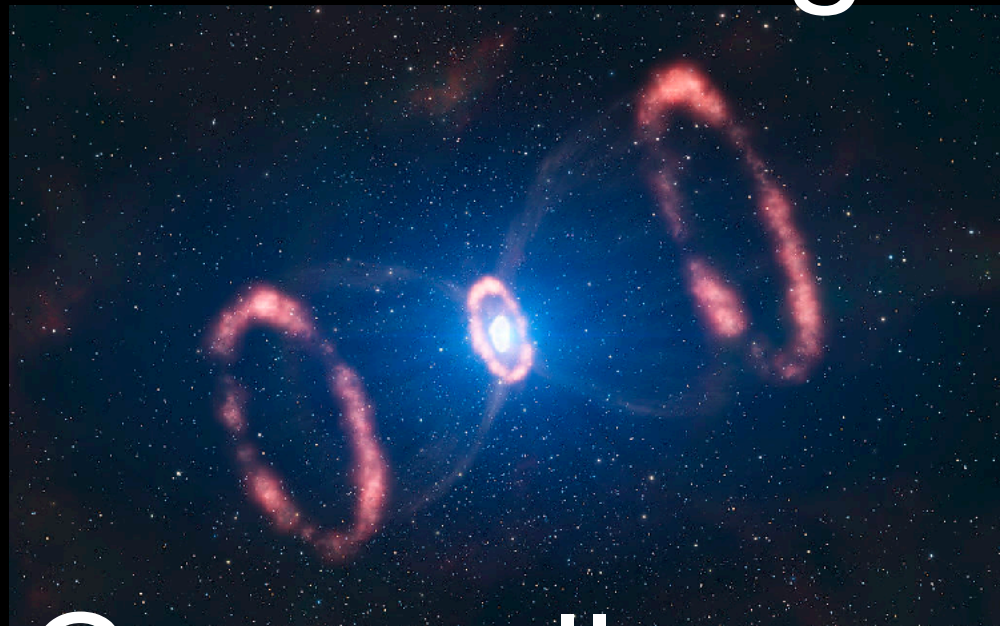


Lumpy or elliptic spinning neutron stars



Cosmic string fluctuations

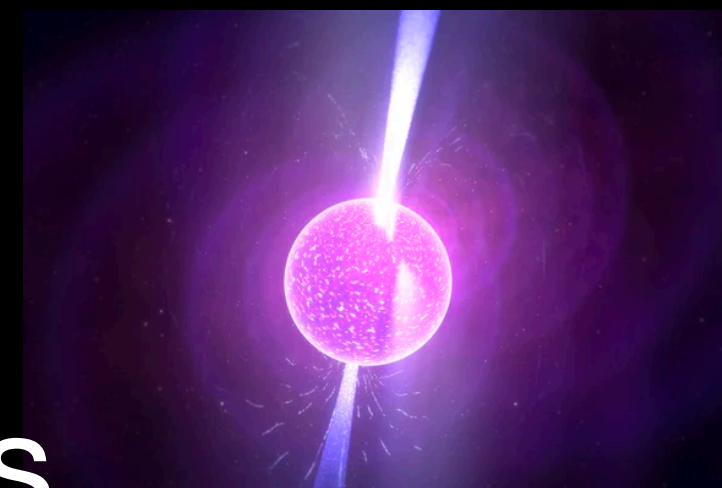
Black hole ringdown



Neutron star post-merger

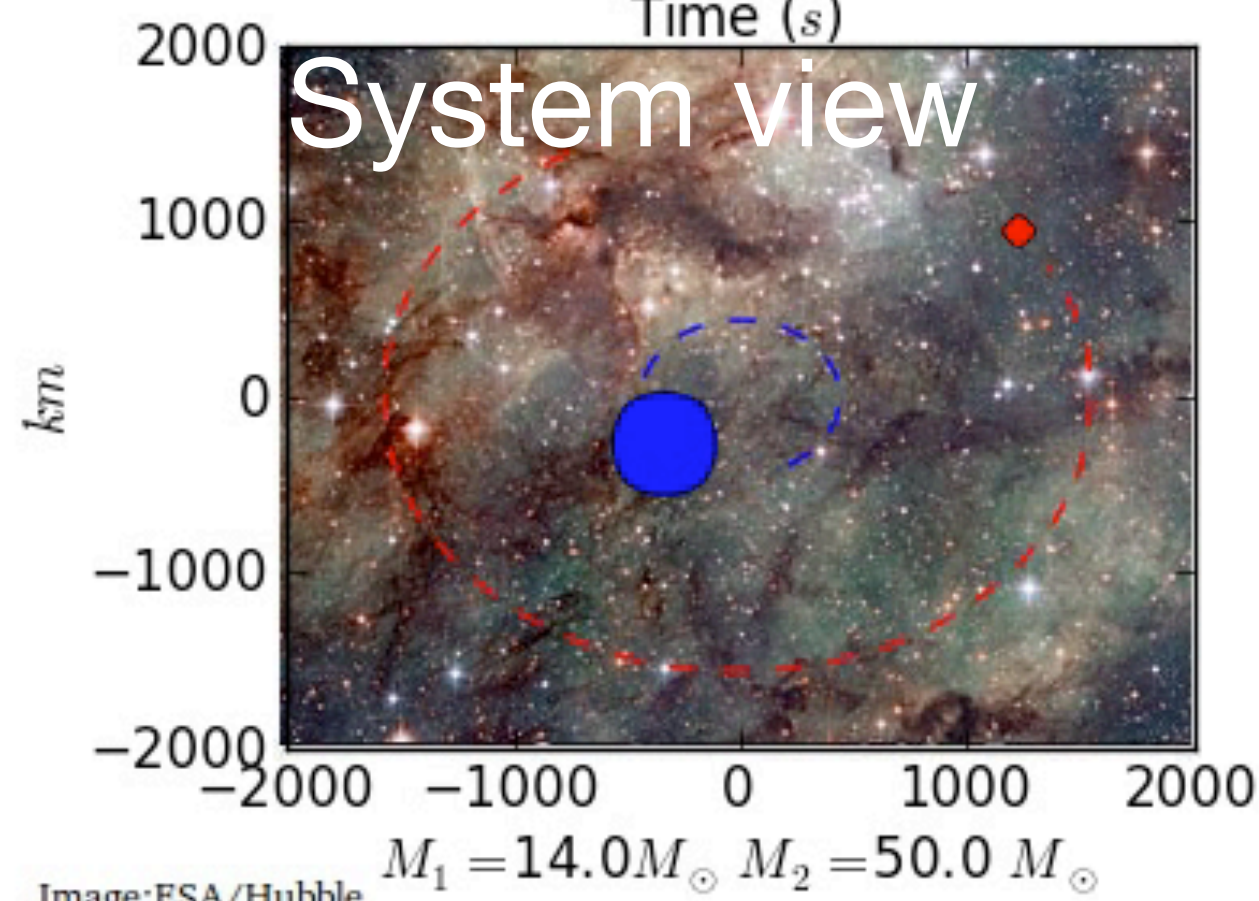
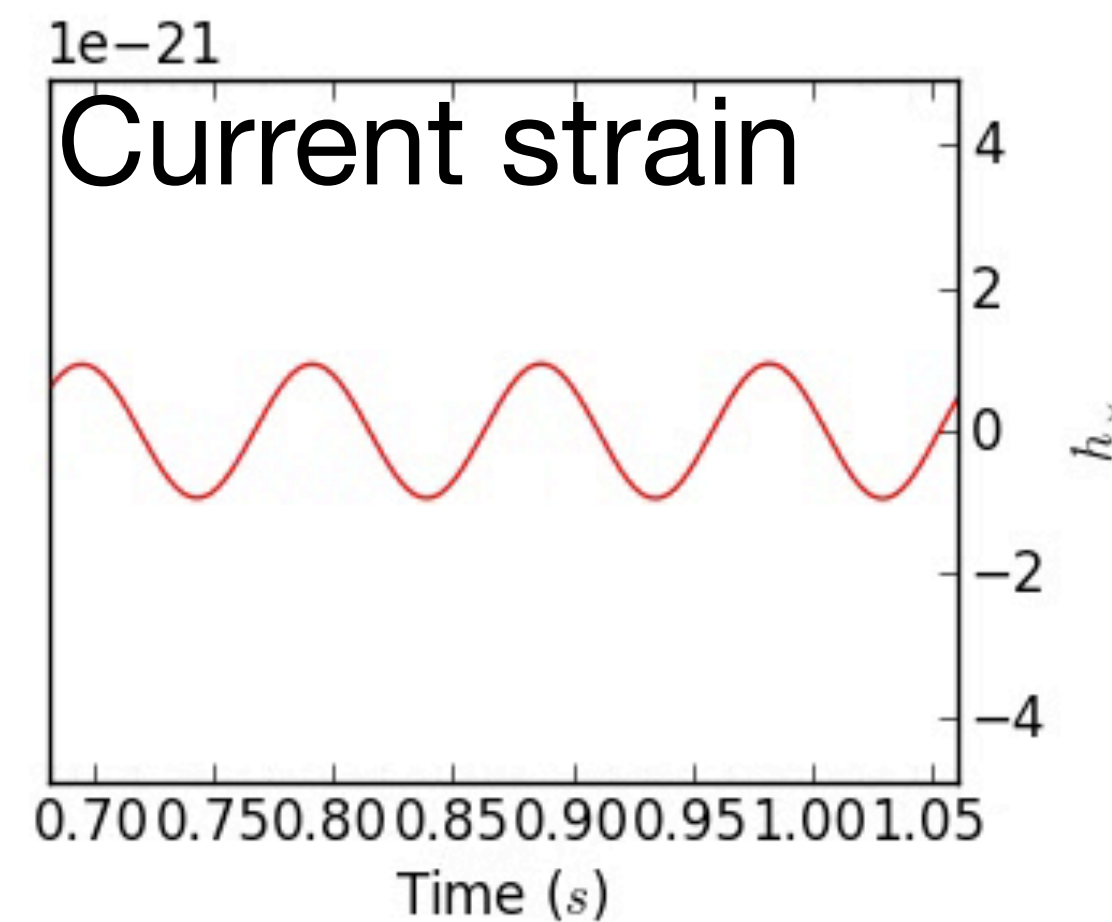
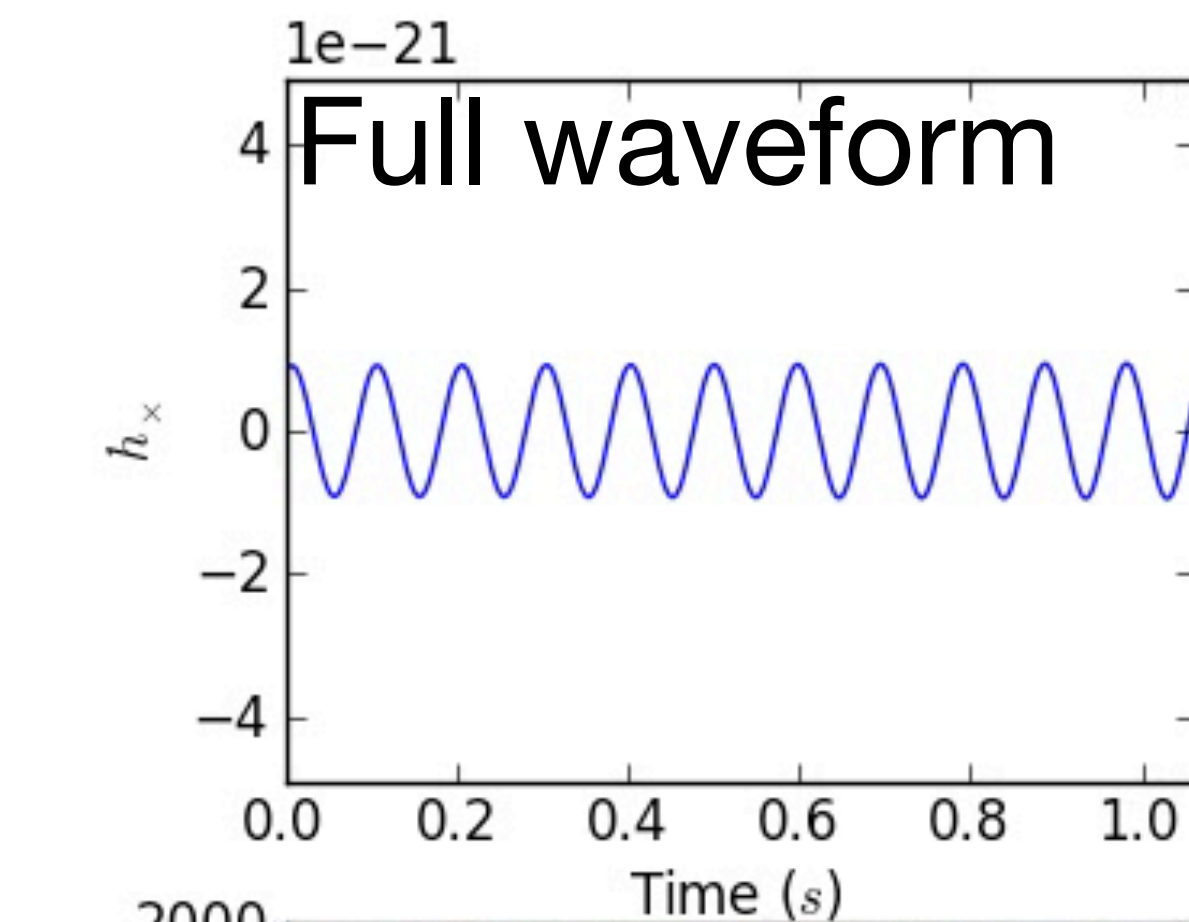
Core-collapse supernovae

Glitching neutron stars

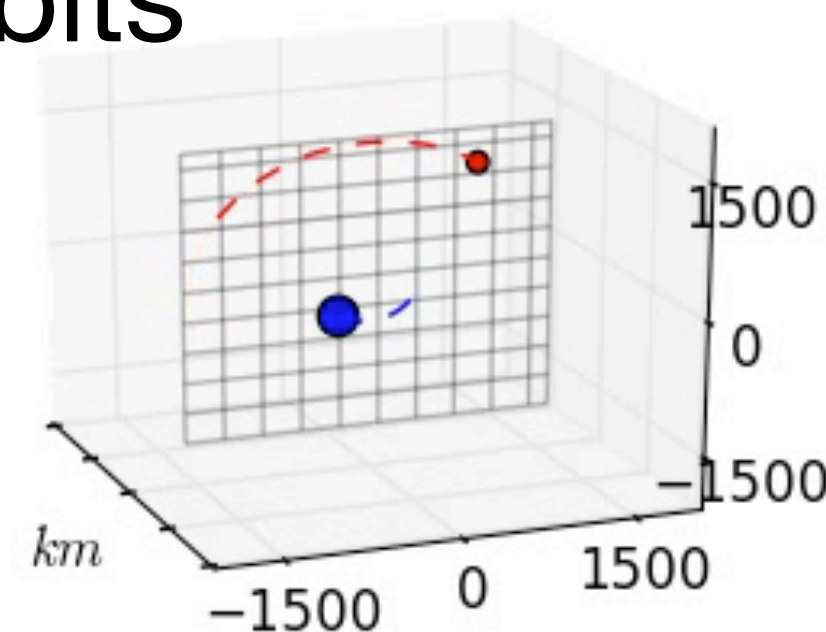


Duration of in-band gravitational-wave emission

Orbits and Strain



Orbits



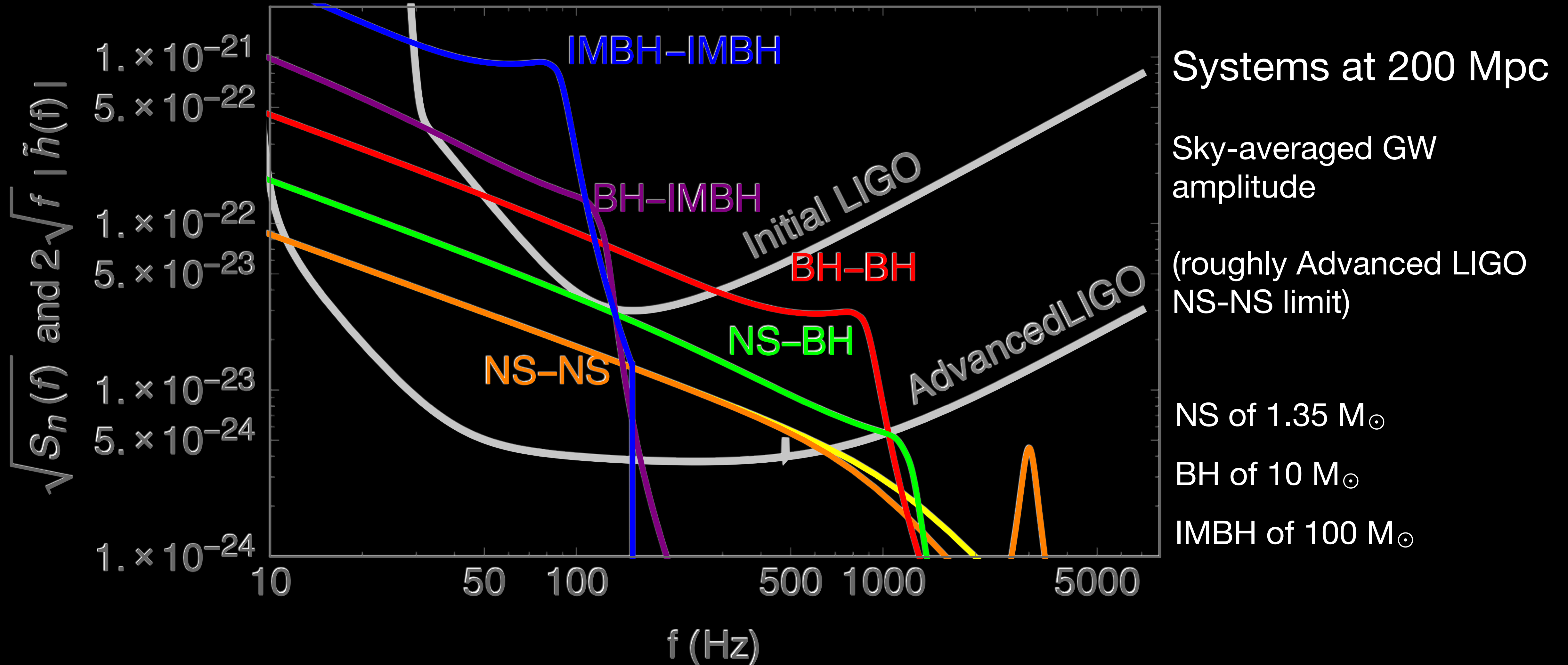
- Movie: 14 M_\odot and 50 M_\odot black holes
- slowed down by a factor of 4 to see/hear detail
- BBH waveform model includes merger/ringdown

Image:ESA/Hubble

Jason Tye, University of Birmingham

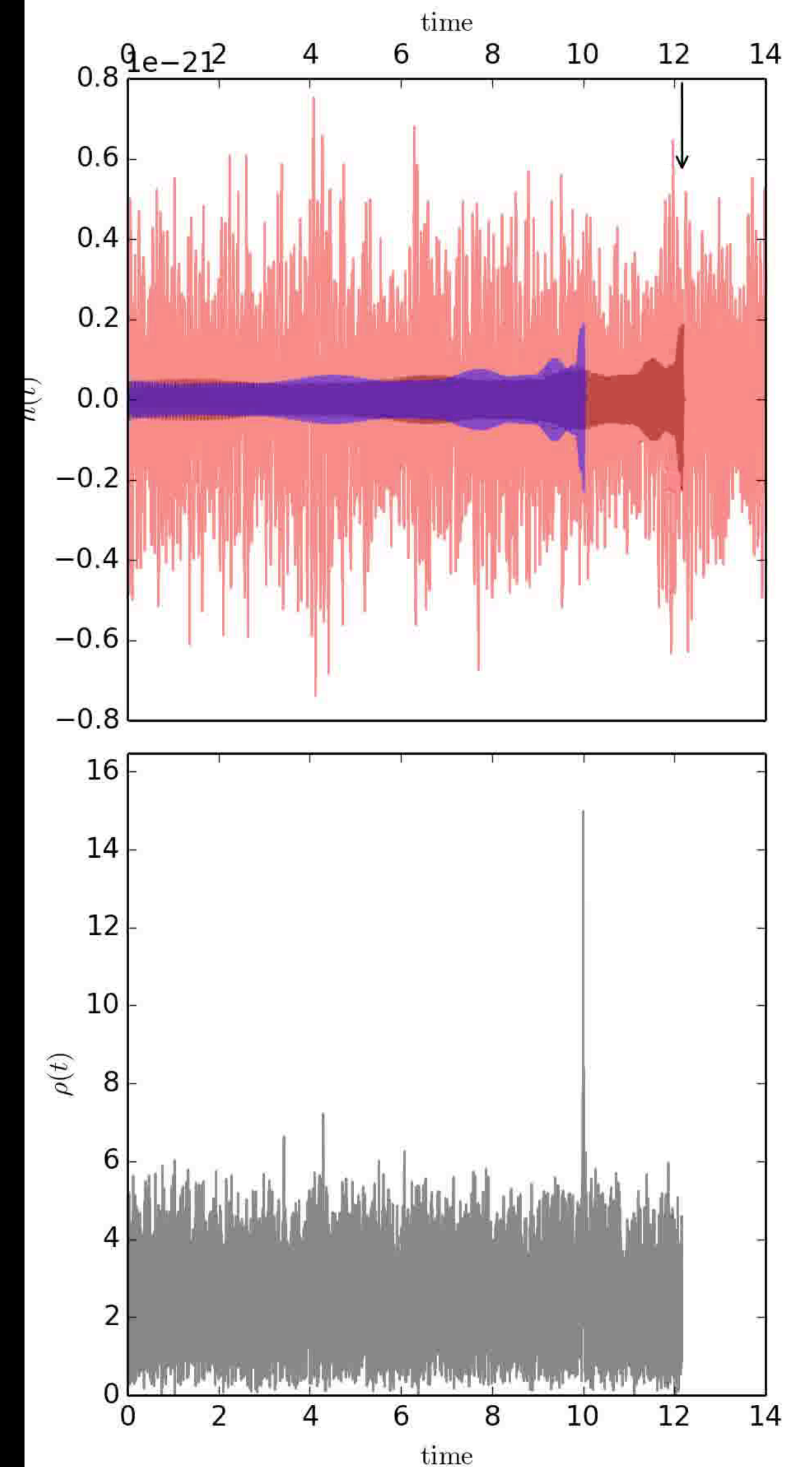
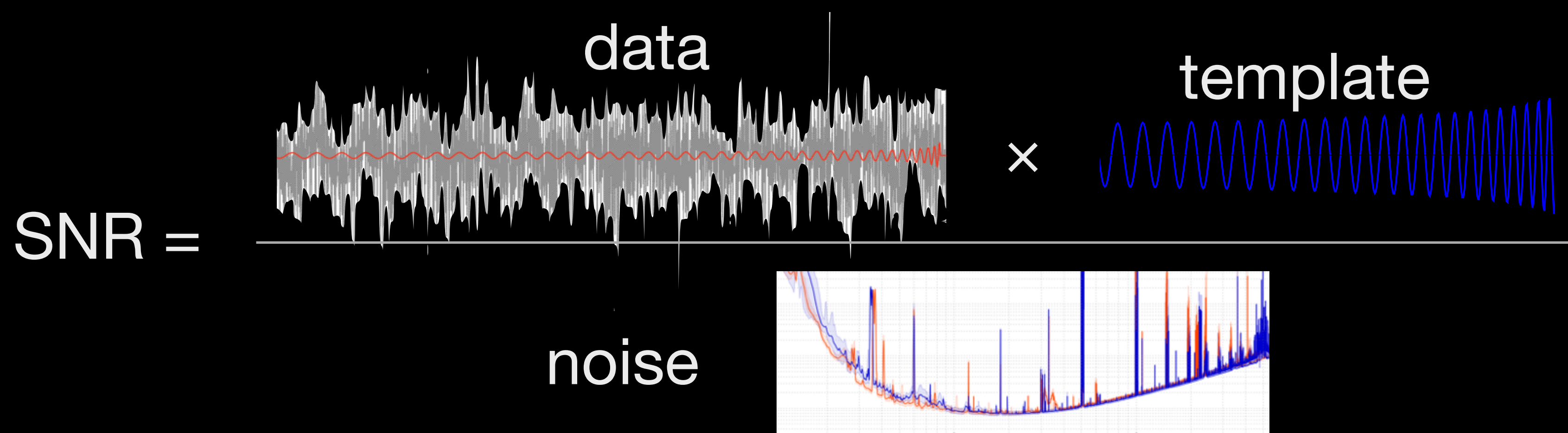


Binary mergers



Matched-filter search

- Cross-correlate signal predictions against data over many cycles



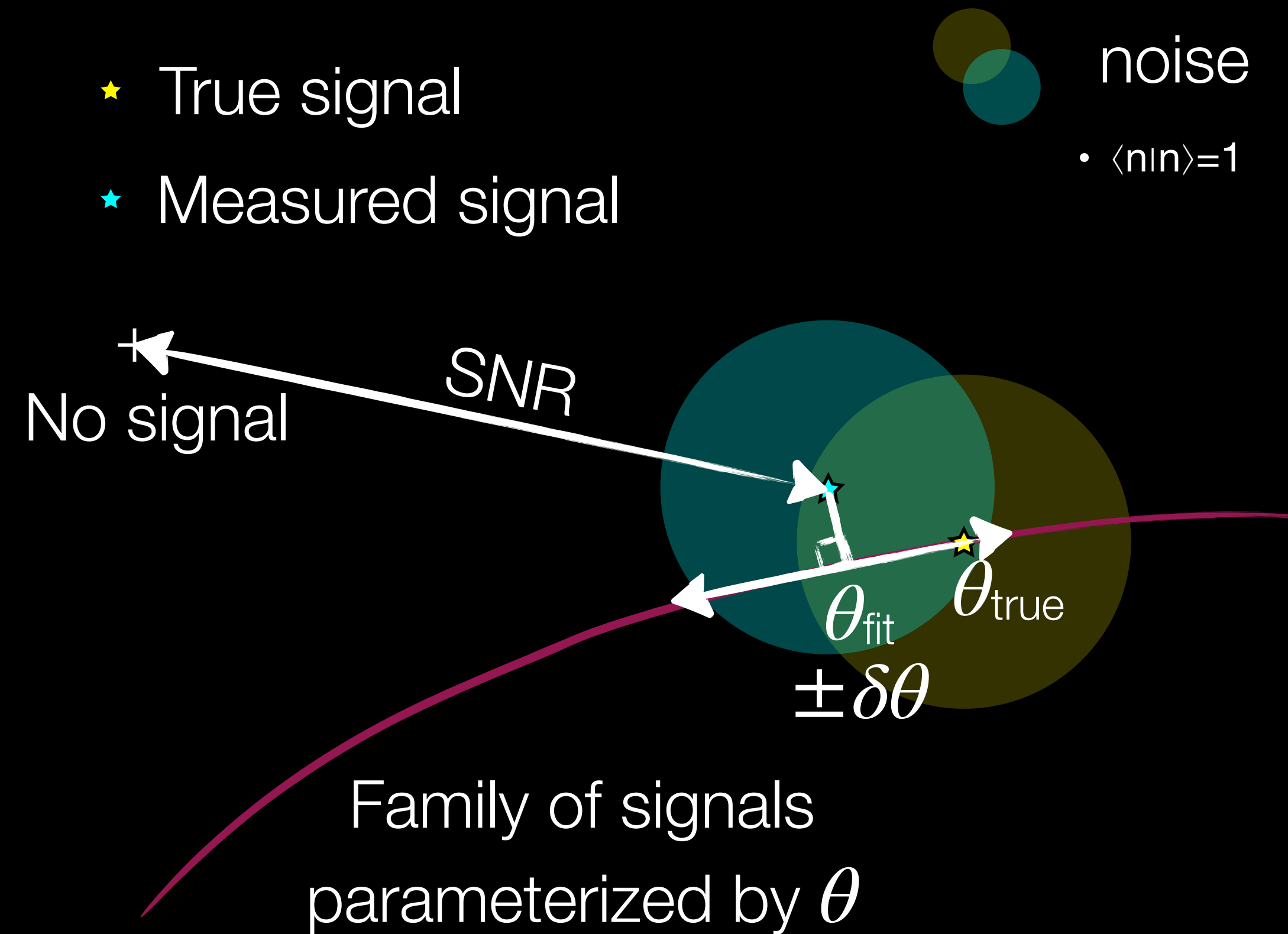
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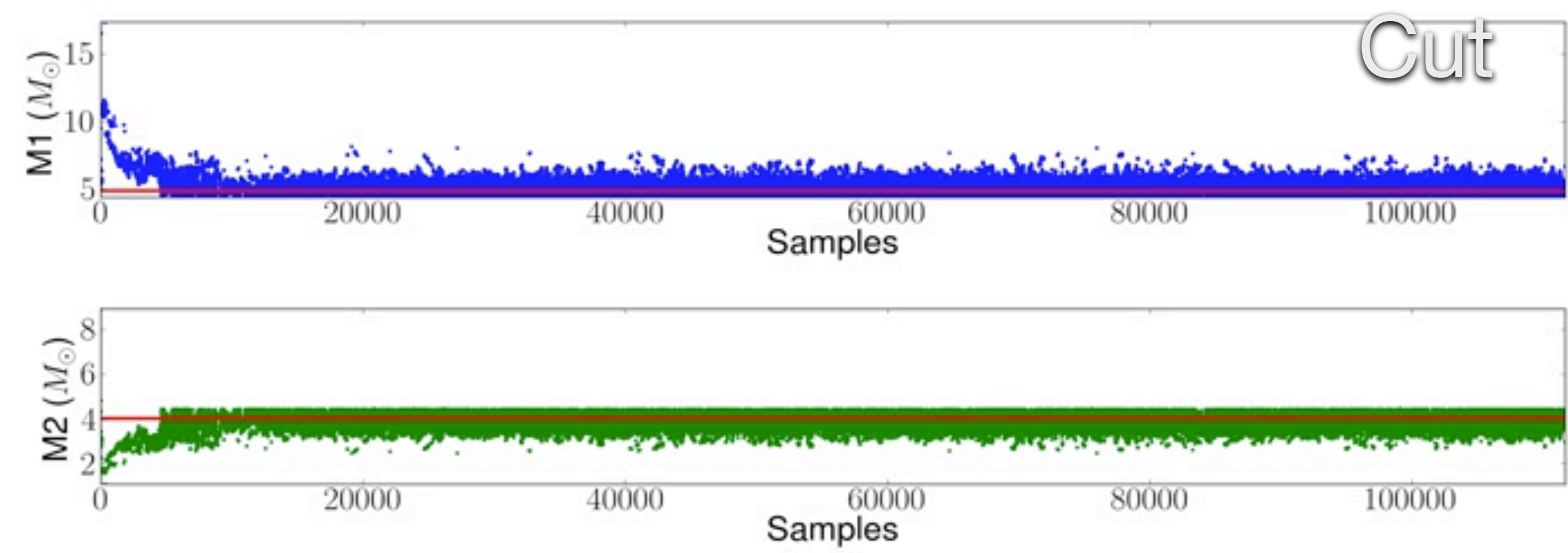
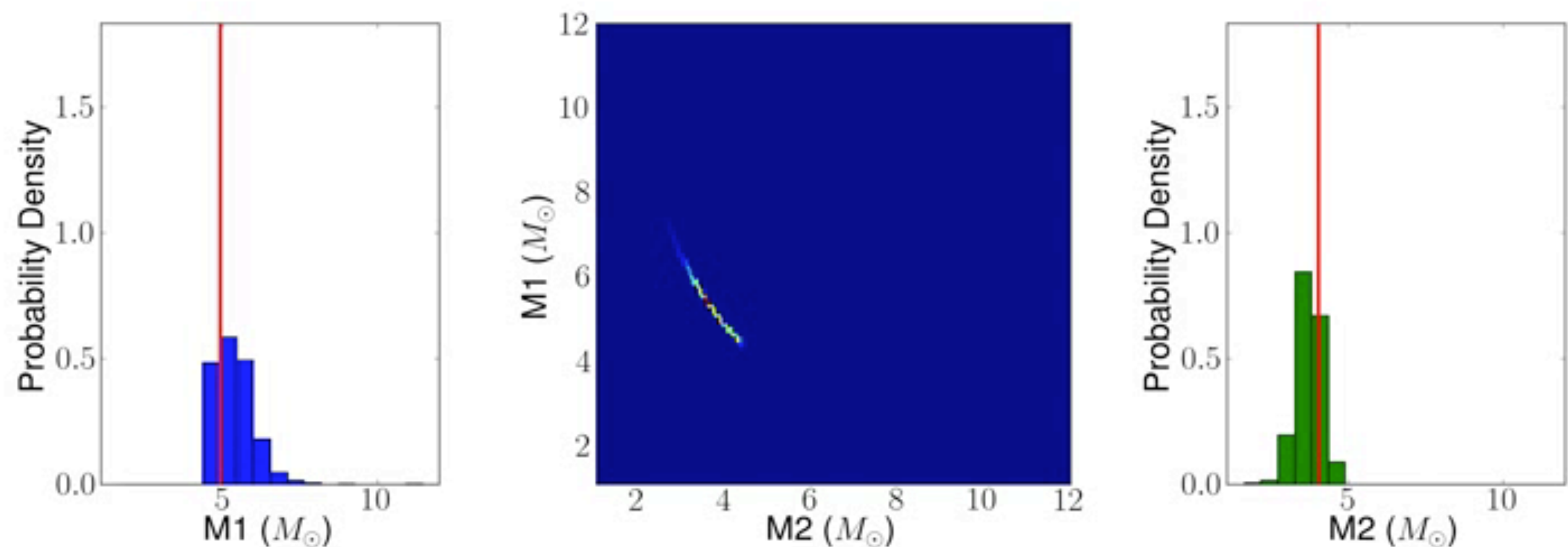
Bayesian parameter estimation

Recorded data Model prediction

$$\mathcal{L}(d|\theta) \propto \exp \left(- \sum_k \frac{2 |d_k - h_k(\theta)|^2}{S_k} \right)$$

Sum over frequency Noise spectrum (PSD)





- LEFT: example estimate of masses <http://arxiv.org/abs/1304.1775>

- Precision in the “chirp mass”:

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}}$$

- Why?

$$\frac{df}{dt} \propto \left(\frac{G\mathcal{M}}{c^3} \right)^{5/3} f^{11/3} [1 + \dots]$$

see e.g. Cutler and Flanagan, Phys. Rev. D 49, 2658 (1994)

From Source to Strain



- Source emission model: Multipole expansion

$$h_+(t) - ih_\times(t) = \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} h_{\ell m}(t) Y_{-2}^{\ell m}(\iota, \varphi)$$

- Quadrupole-dominant: $h_{22}(t) = \mathcal{A}(t)e^{i\psi(t)}$

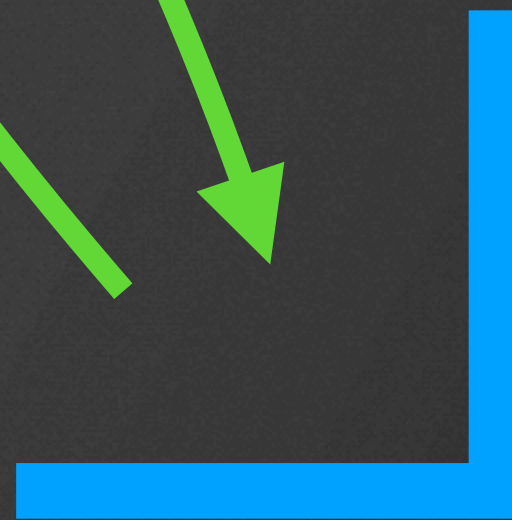
- Projected onto detectors:

$$h(t) = F_+(\alpha, \delta, \psi_p)h_+(t) + F_\times(\alpha, \delta, \psi_p)h_\times(t)$$

Sky location,
orientation,
inclination

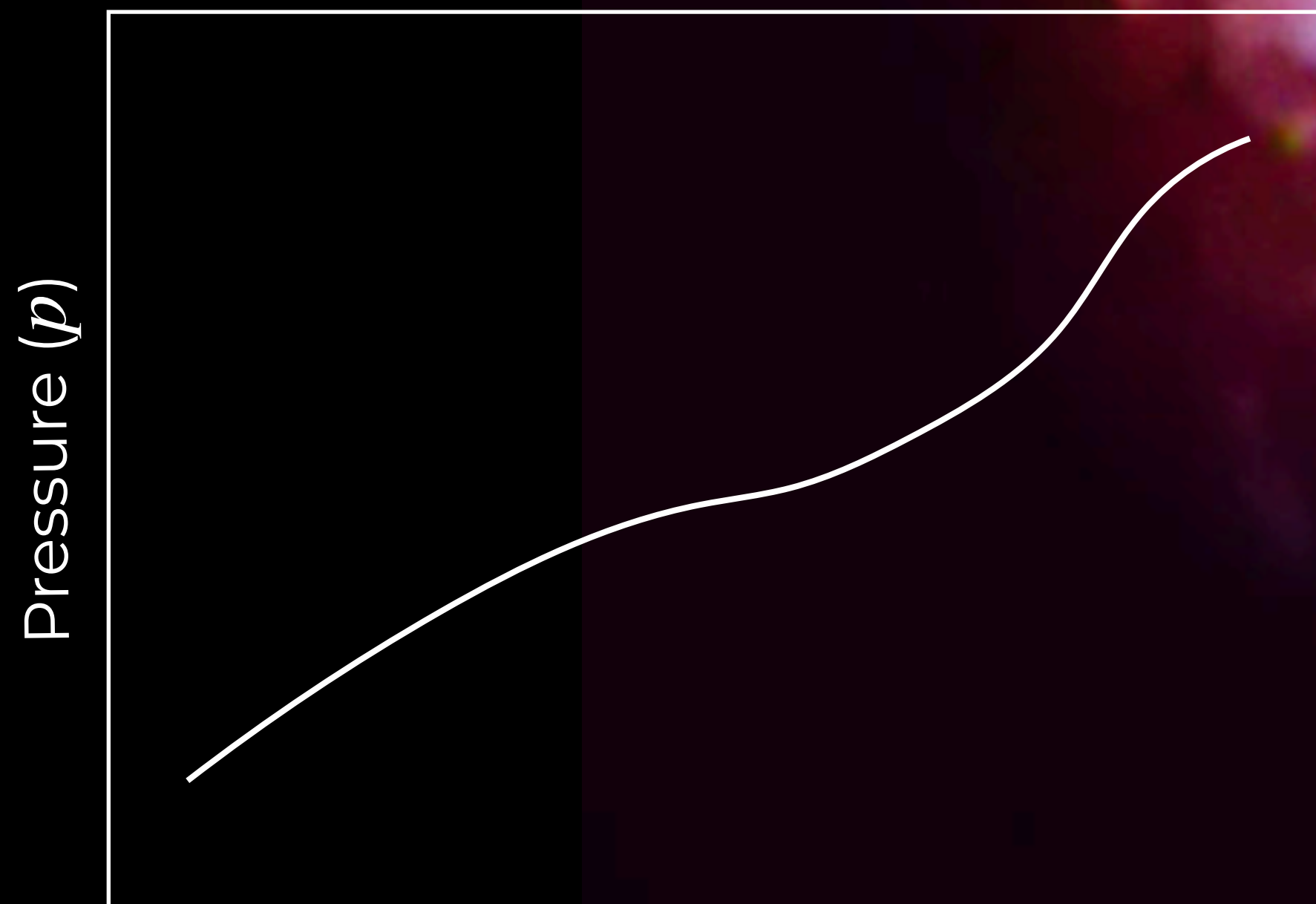
- Measured strain: $h(t) = \frac{Q(\alpha, \delta, \iota, \psi)}{d_L} \mathcal{A}(t)e^{i\psi(t)}$

“Intrinsic
properties”



When a star collapses, what stops its fall?

Equation of State

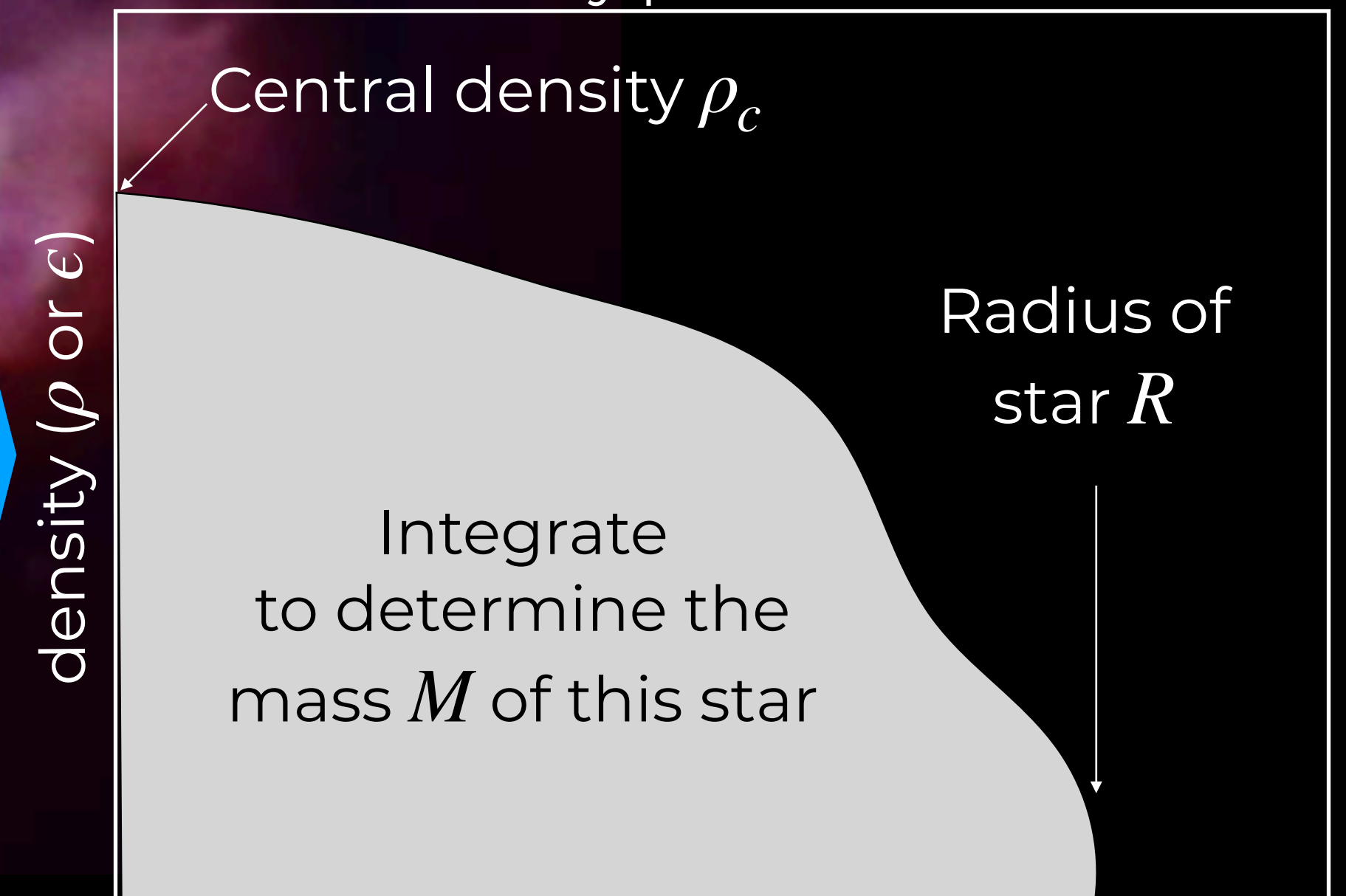


Hydrostatic Equilibrium

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\rho(r) \frac{Gm(r)}{r^2}$$

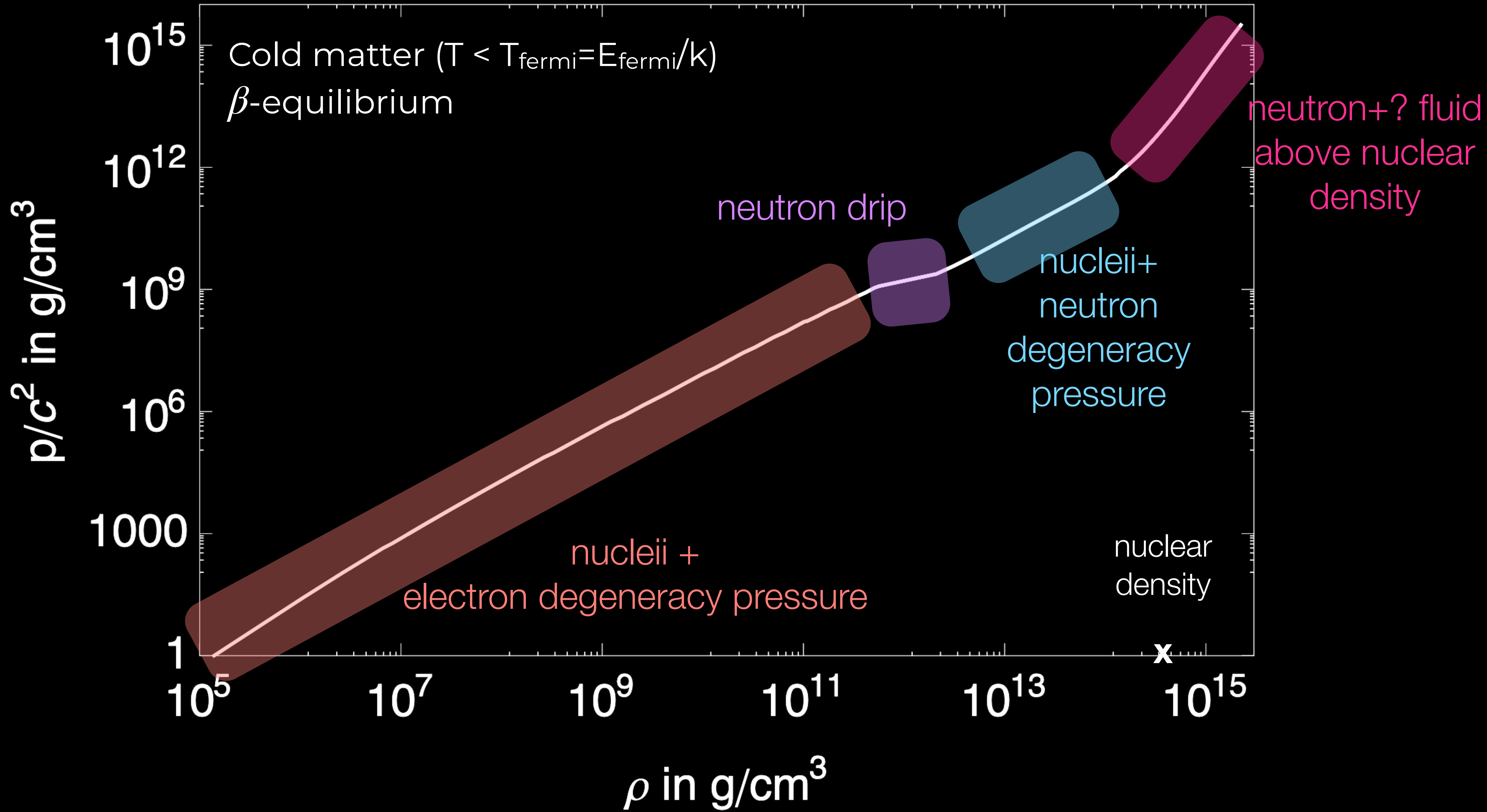
(Newtonian)

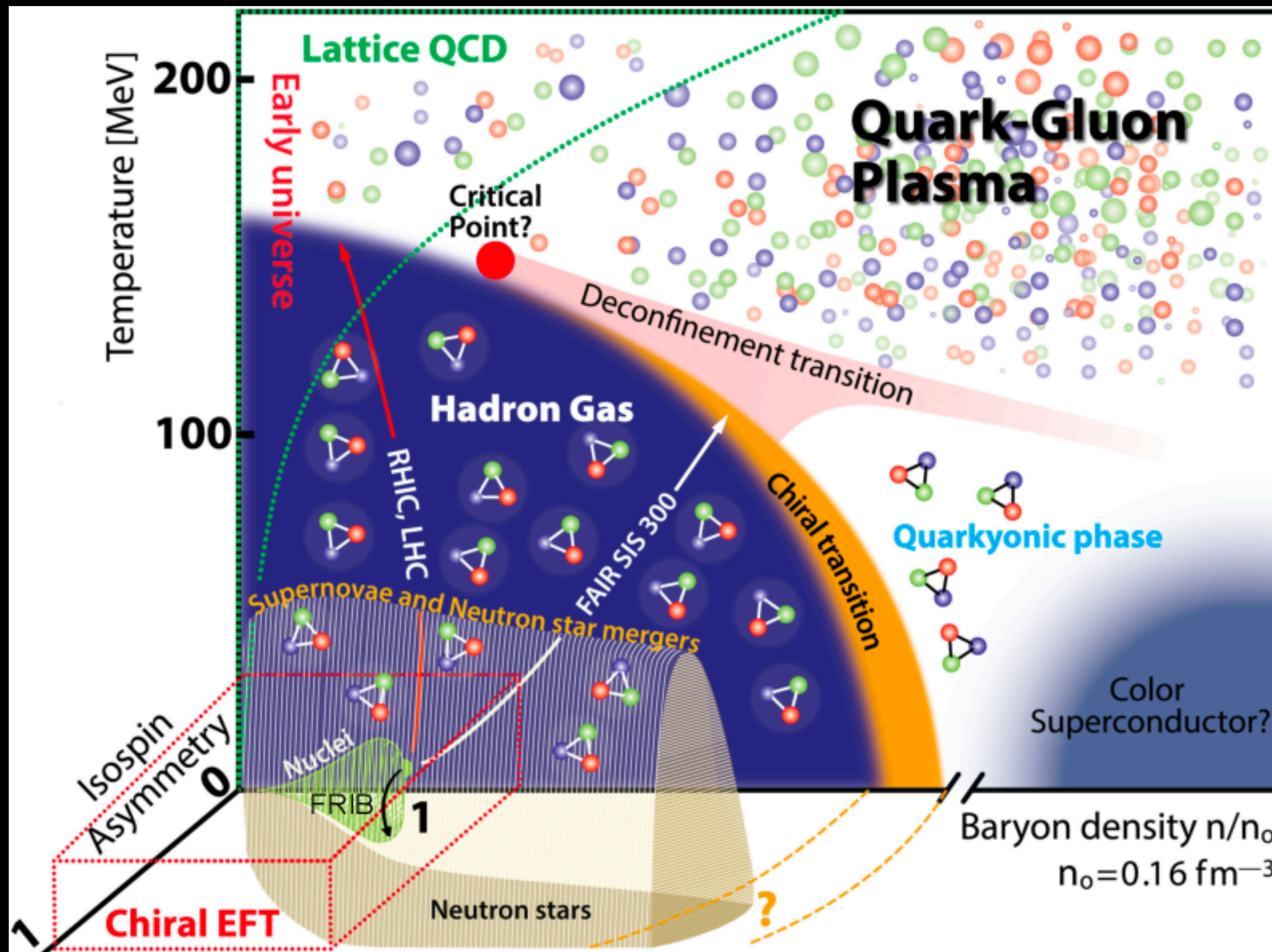
Density profile of a star

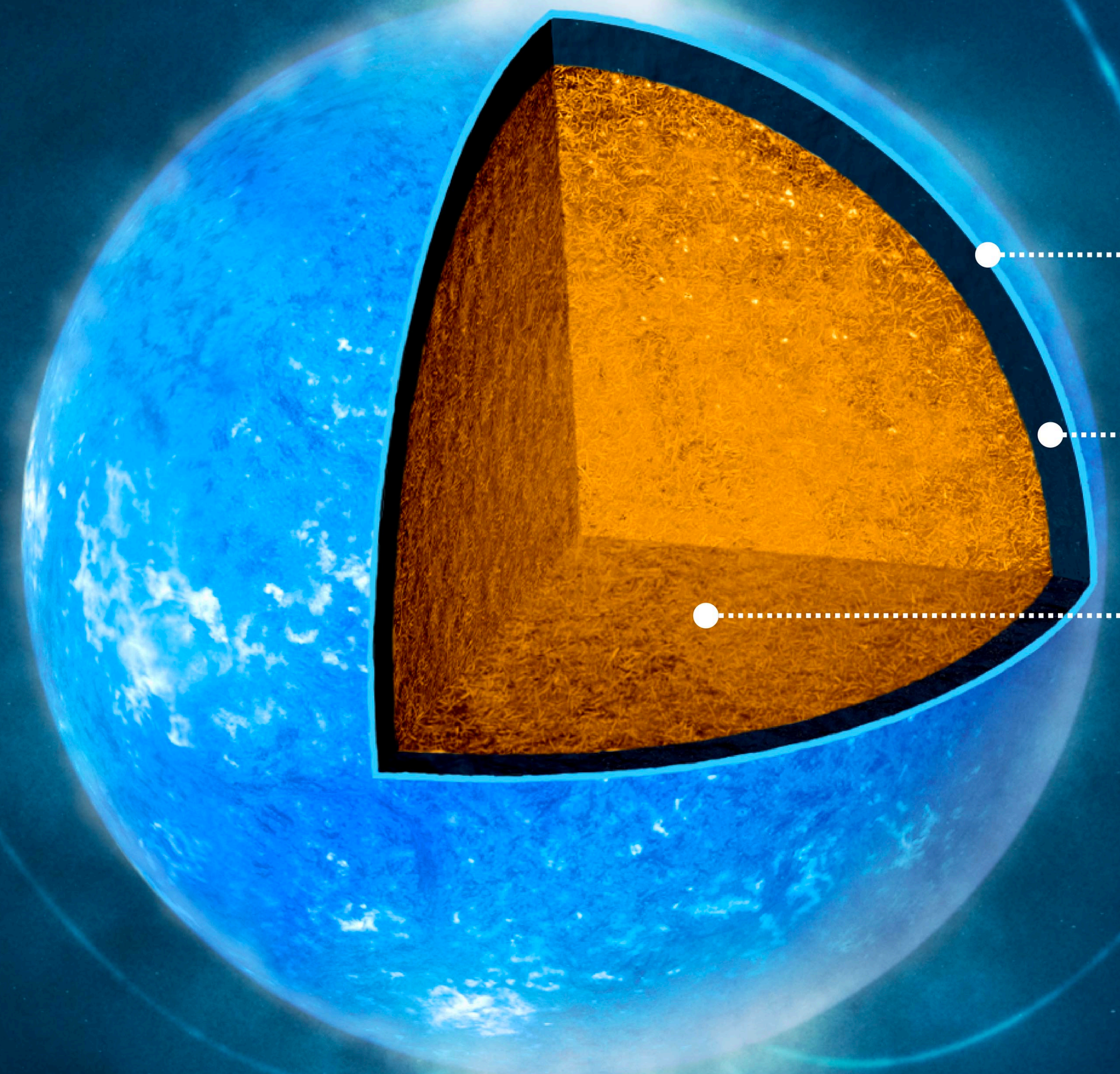


density (n, ρ or ϵ depending)

Distance from center r in km



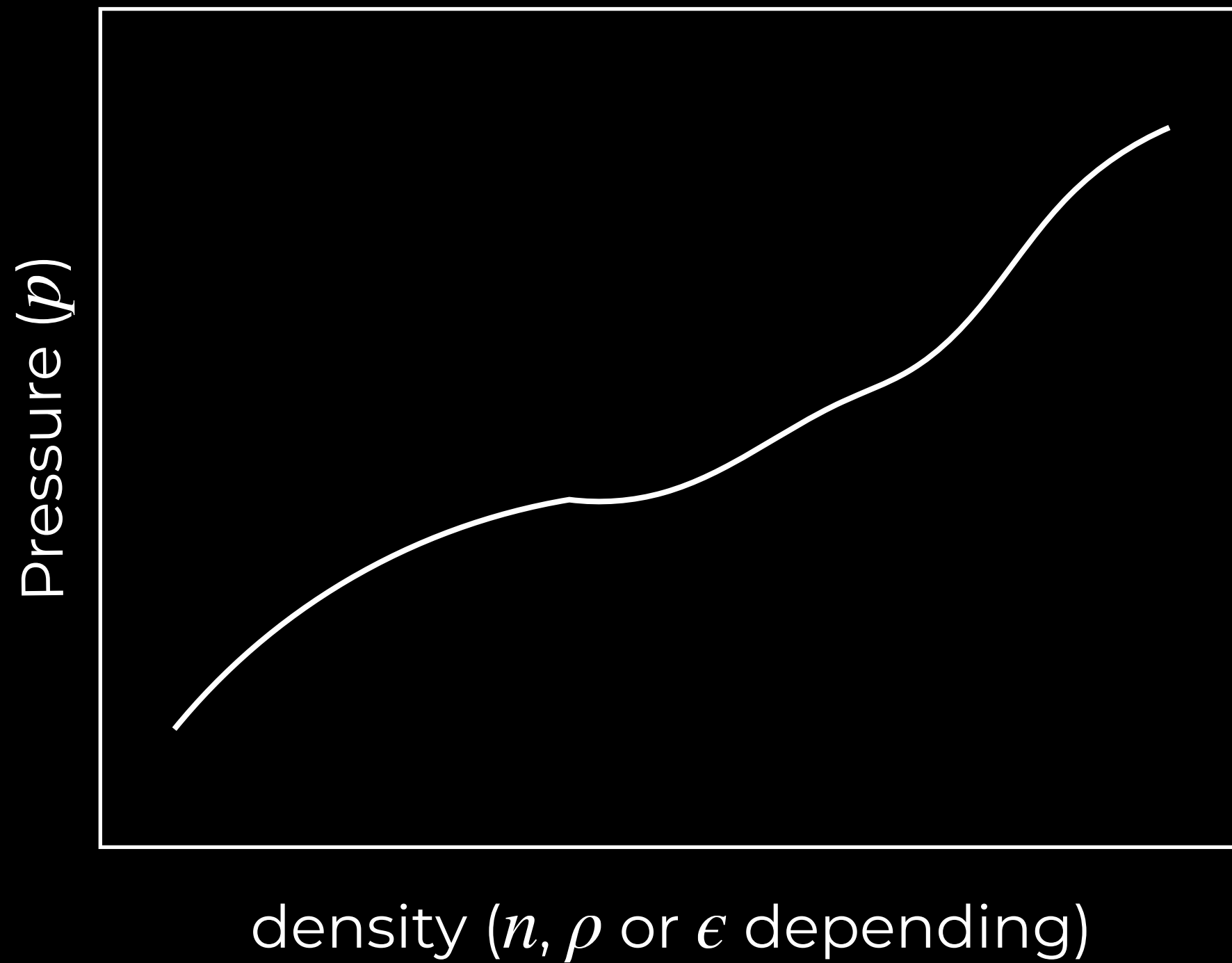




- 1 | **OUTER CRUST** (0.1 km)
NUCLEI
ELECTRONS
- 2 | **INNER CRUST** (0.5 km)
NUCLEI
ELECTRONS
SUPERFLUID NEUTRONS
- 3 | **CORE** (10-13 km?)
SUPERFLUID NEUTRONS
SUPERCONDUCTING PROTONS
HYPERONS?
DECONFINED QUARKS?
COLOR SUPERCONDUCTOR?

Family of stars

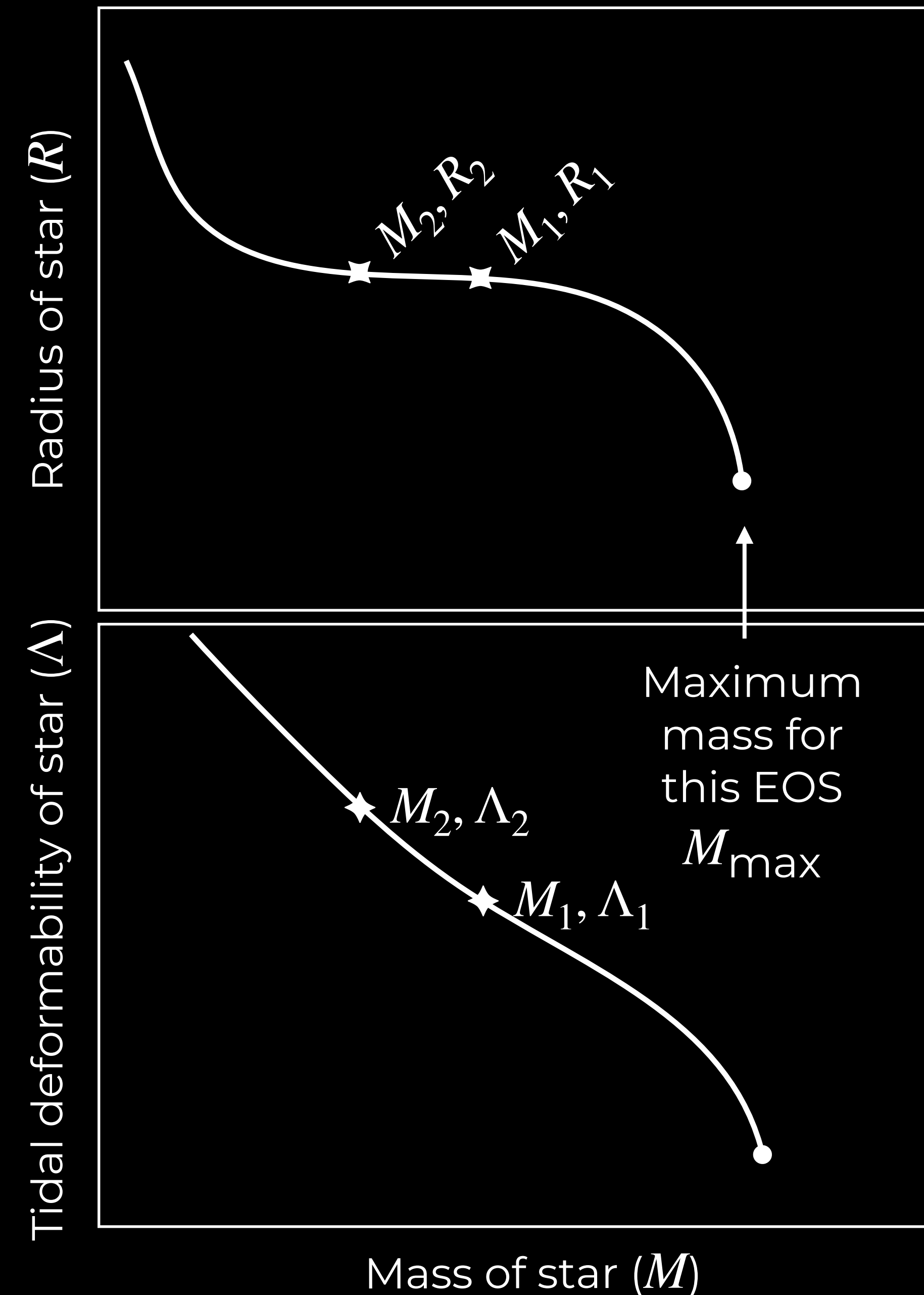
Equation of State

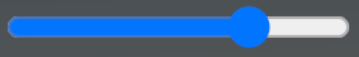






Equilibria for range of central densities, giving range of M

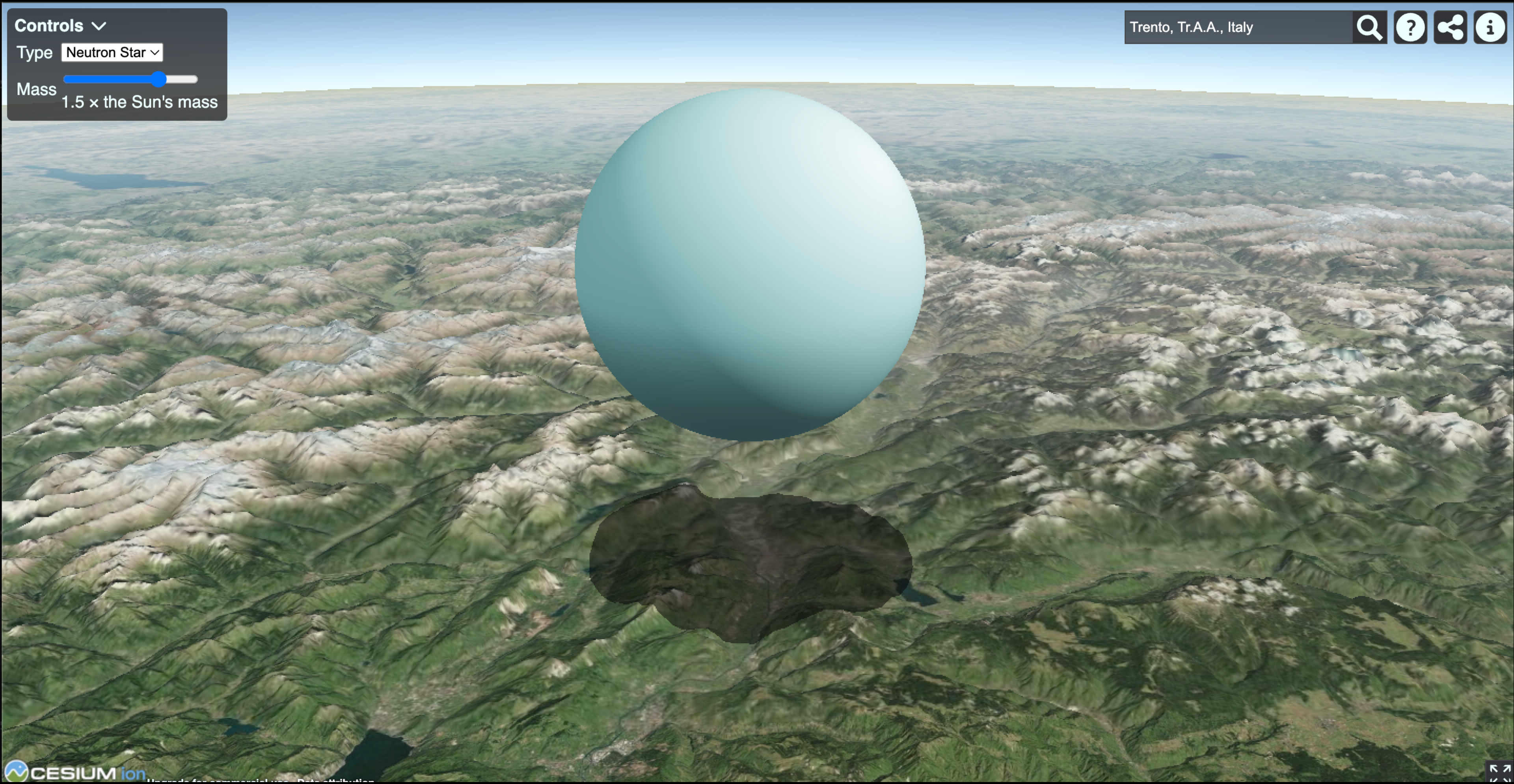
1-1 mapping

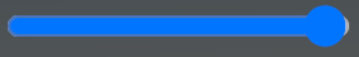
Stable stars for a given EOS







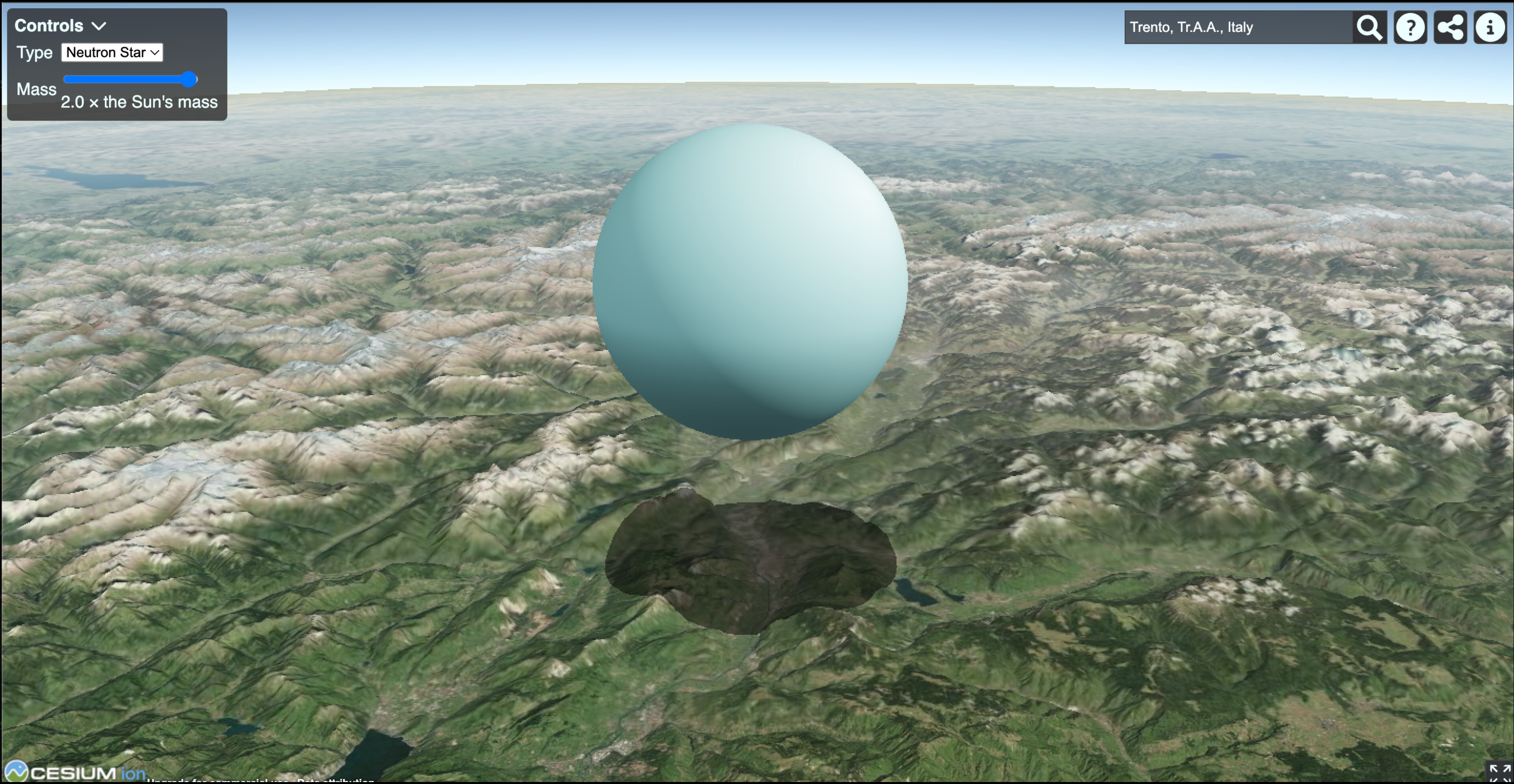
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Mass  1.5 x the Sun's mass

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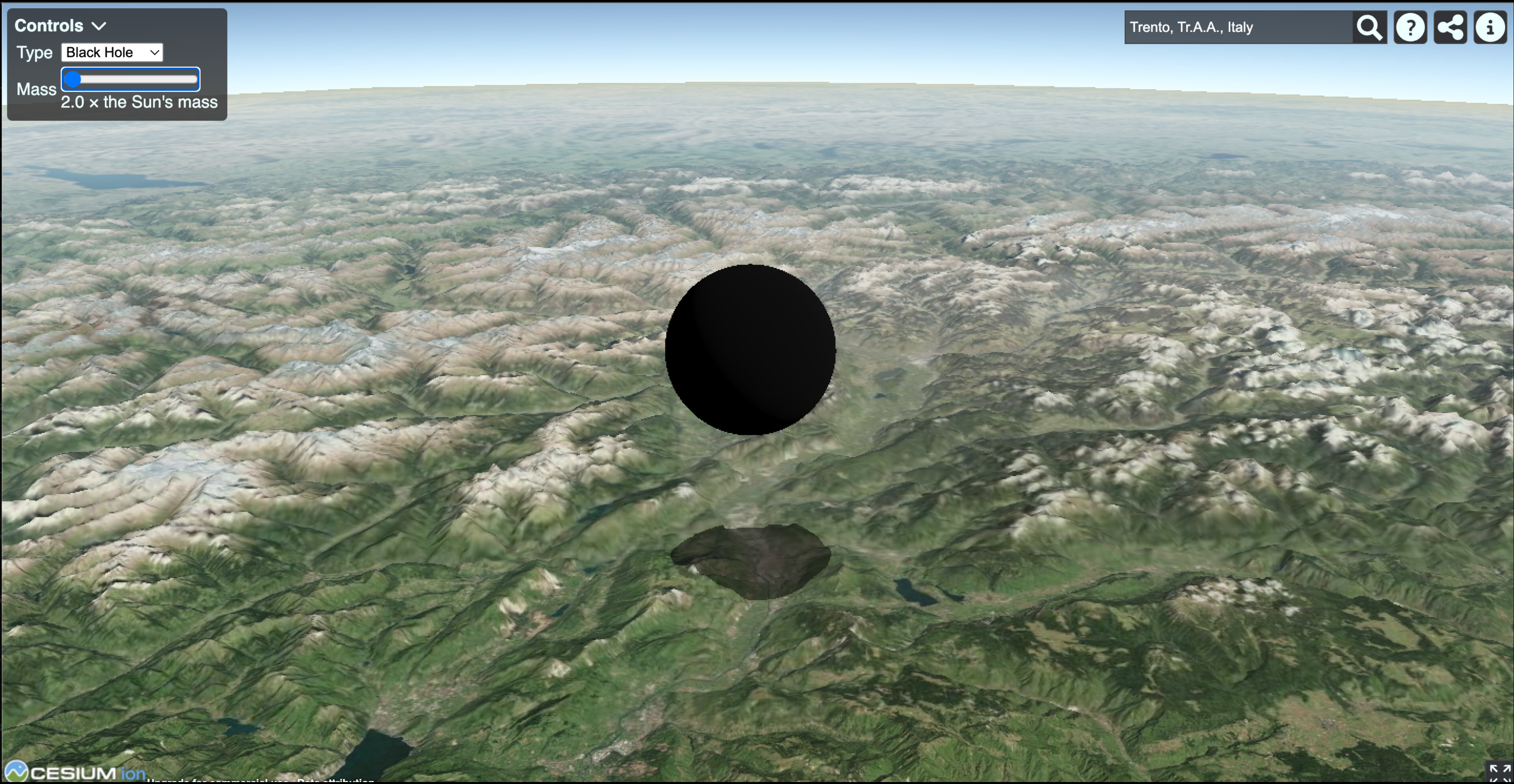
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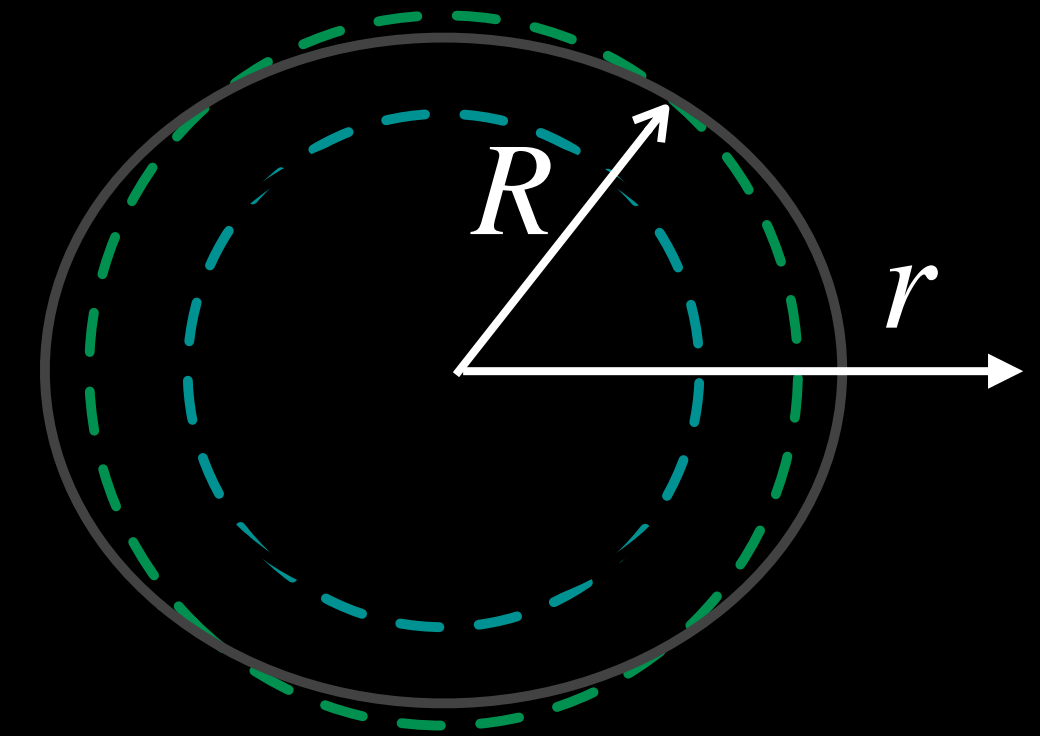
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Tides: matter responds to a companion

$$\lambda_i = \frac{\text{size of quadrupole deformation}}{\text{strength of external tidal field}} = \frac{2}{3} k_2 R_i^5$$



- quadrupole deformation:

$$\ell = 2 \text{ term in the star's gravitational potential} \sim \frac{1}{r^3}$$

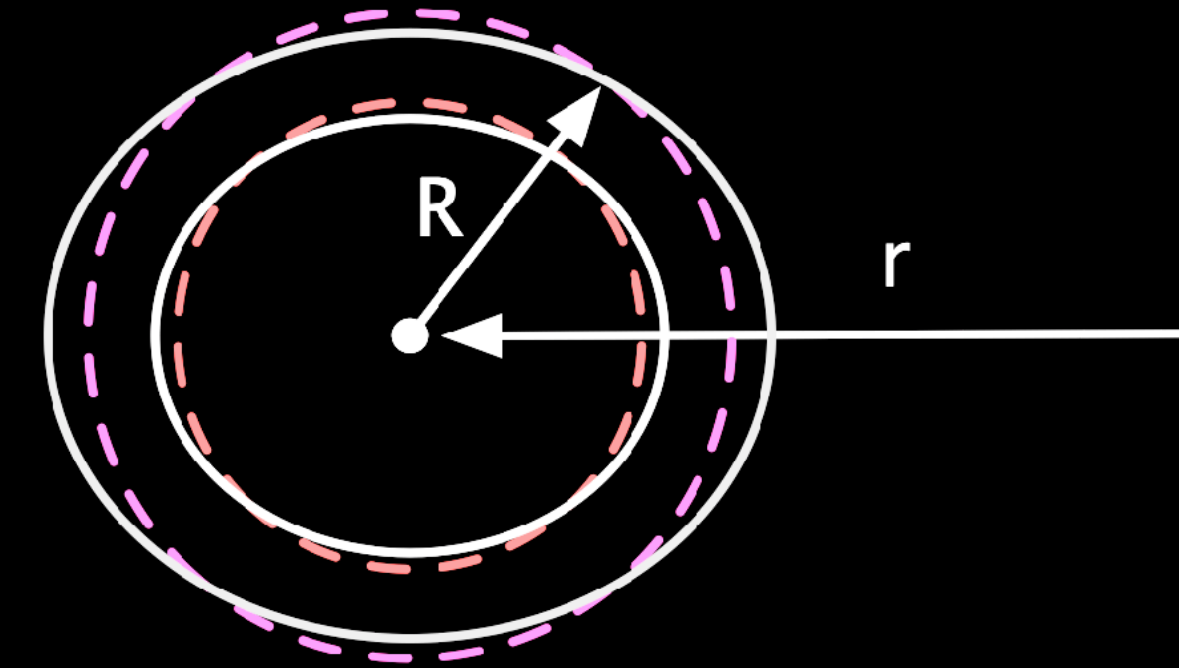
- k_2 relativistic Love number $\approx 0.05\text{--}0.15$ ($k_2 = 0$ for BH)

- Mass distribution inside the star (polarization), not just surface R

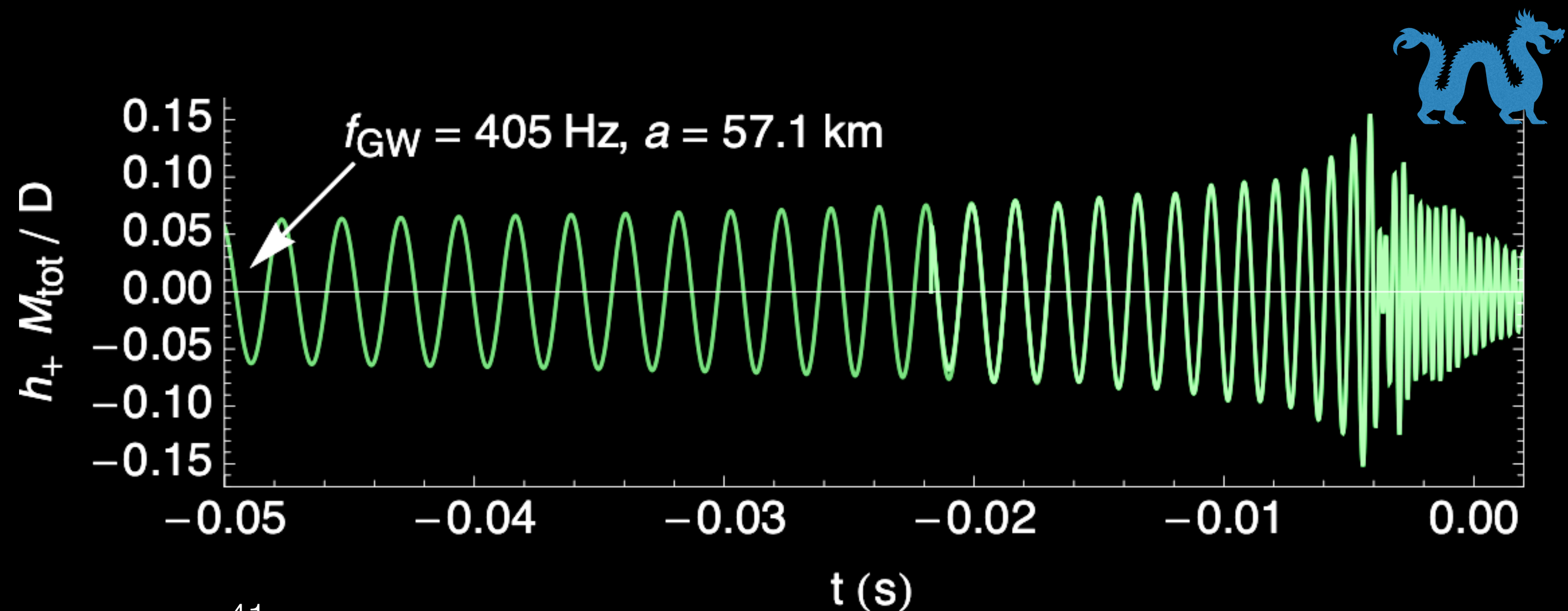
Dimensionless form:
$$\Lambda_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{m_i^5} = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left(\frac{R_i}{m_i} \right)^5$$

Imprint of matter

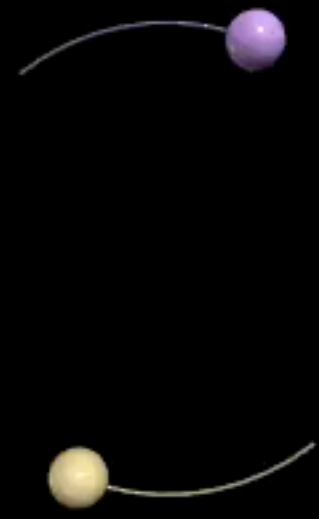
- Additional orbital energy lost to the deformation of the stars
- Tidal bulges add a little extra quadrupole, GW luminosity



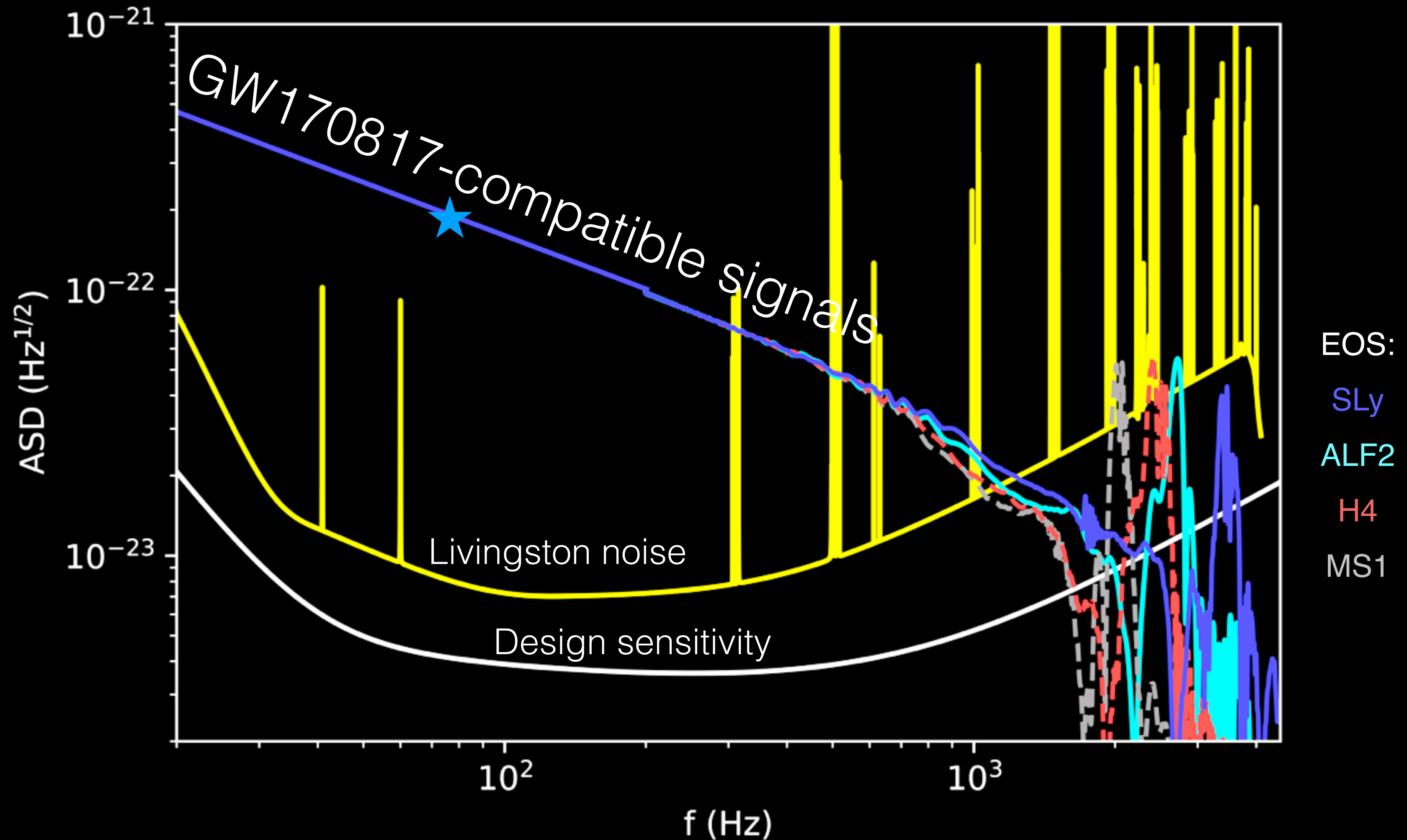
$$\frac{da}{dt} = \frac{da}{dt} \frac{dE_{orb}}{dE_{orb}} = \frac{-\mathcal{L}_{GW} - \mathcal{L}_{GW,def}}{dE_{orb}/da + (dE_{def}/da) \frac{da}{dr}}$$



Observing neutron star mergers



5 seconds before merger
orbital distance ~ 190 km
GW frequency ~ 70 Hz



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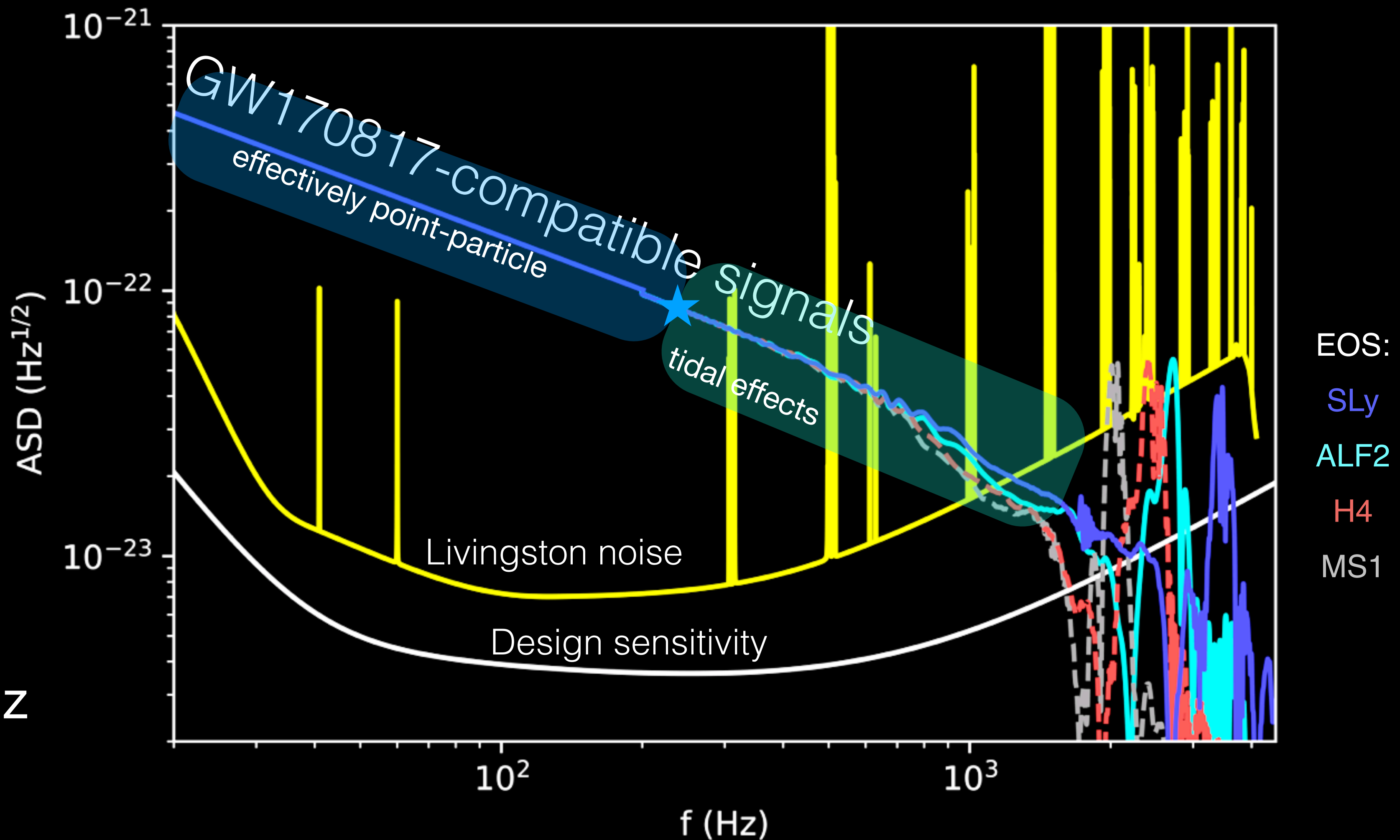


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Final 0.25 seconds
 orbital distance 90 – 24 km
 GW frequency 210 – 1600 Hz



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 SLy
 ALF2
 H4
 MS1

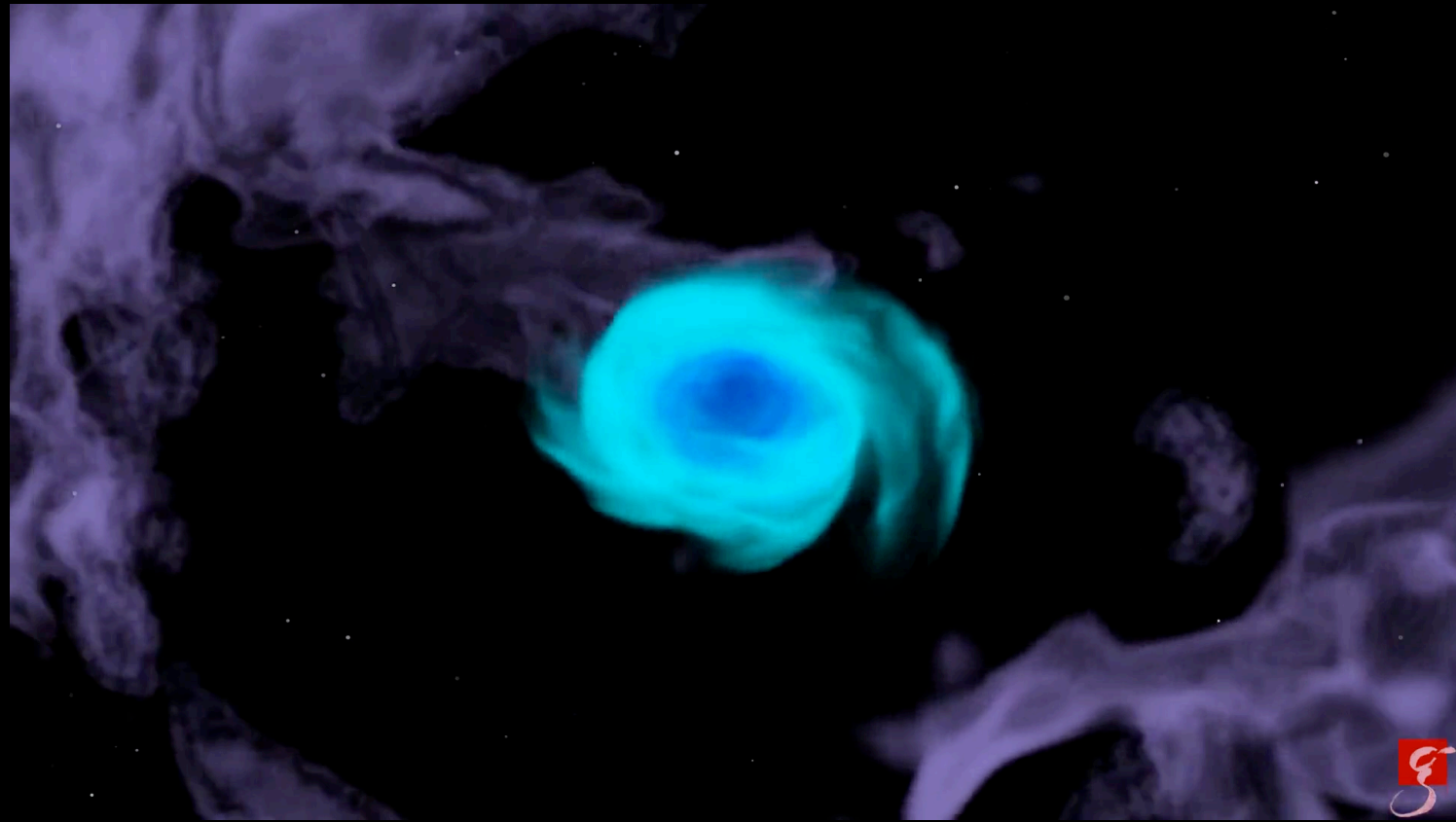


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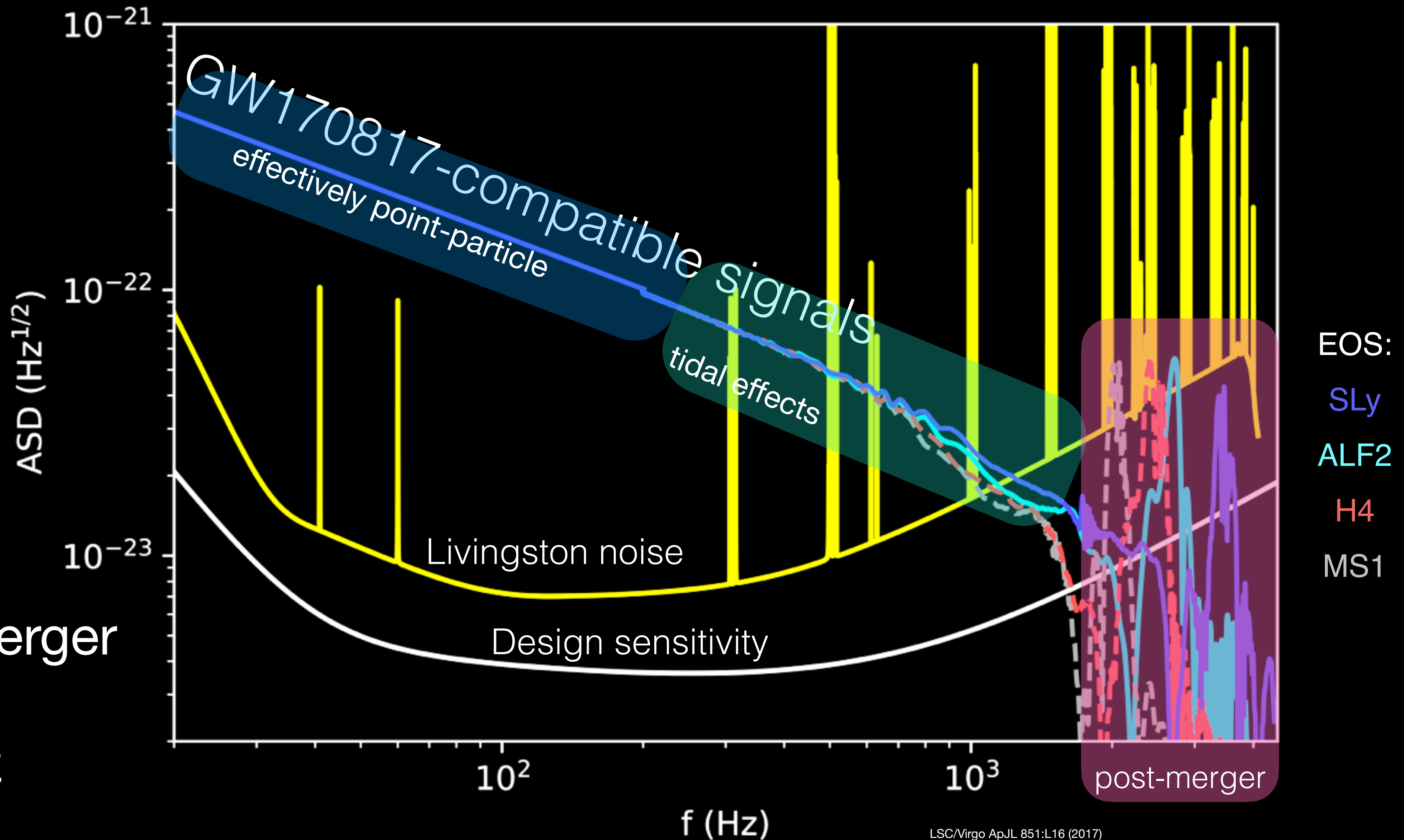


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Final 40 milliseconds
of inspiral, tens of ms post merger
orbital distance $\lesssim 30$ km
GW frequency > 1000 Hz



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