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“Dirty” gravitational-wave physics

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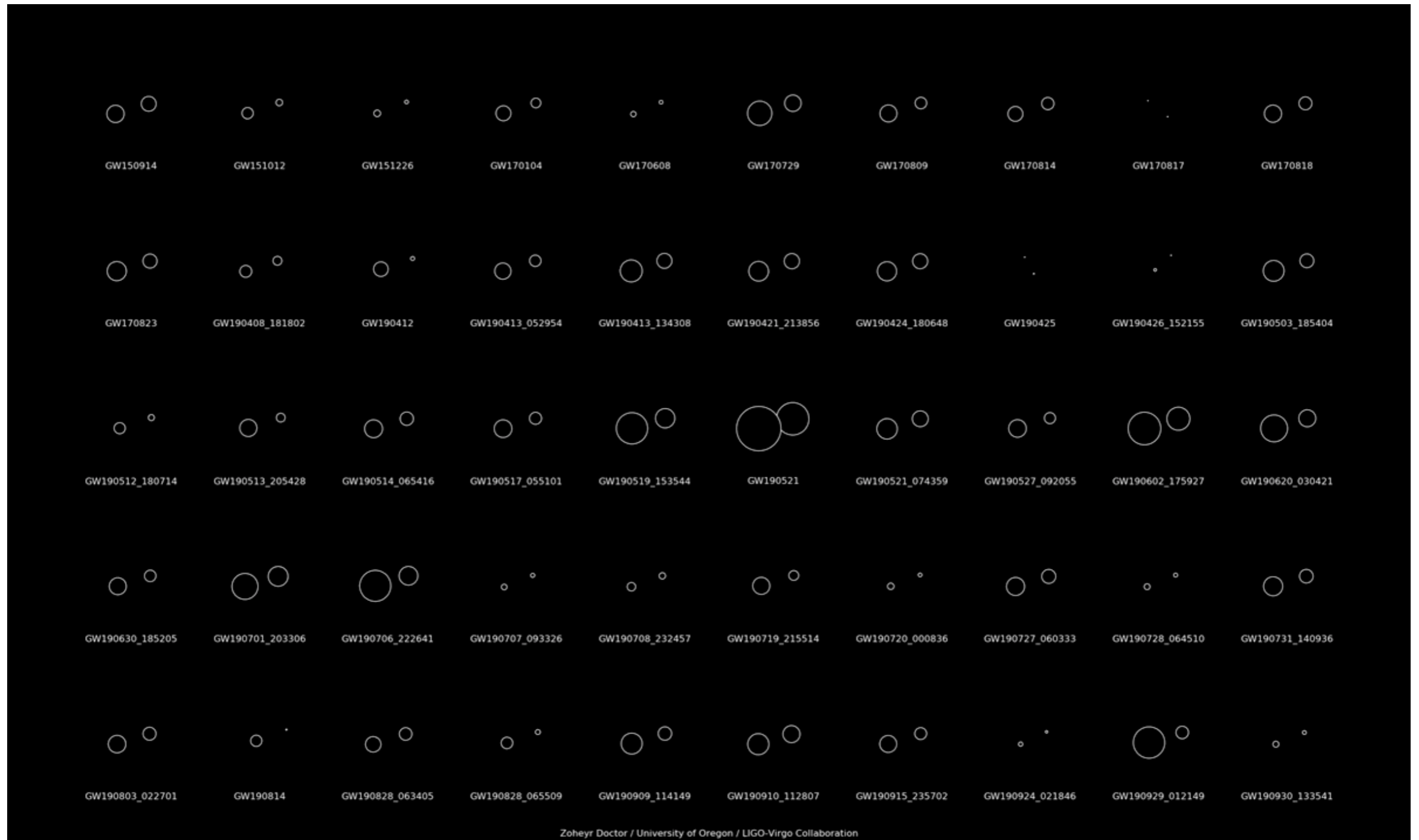
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*with A. Toubiana, C. Miller arXiv:2010.05974
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“DIRTY” VS “CLEAN”

Today's gravitational wave events

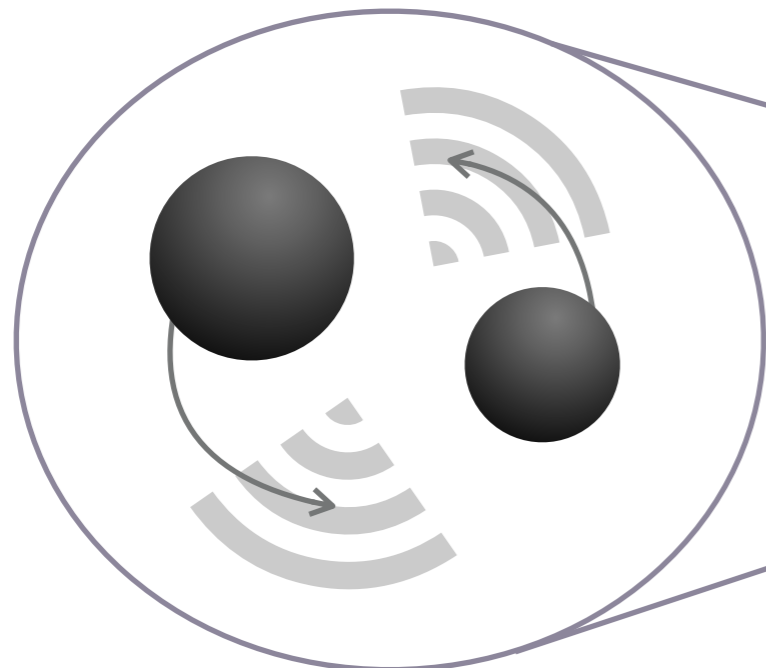


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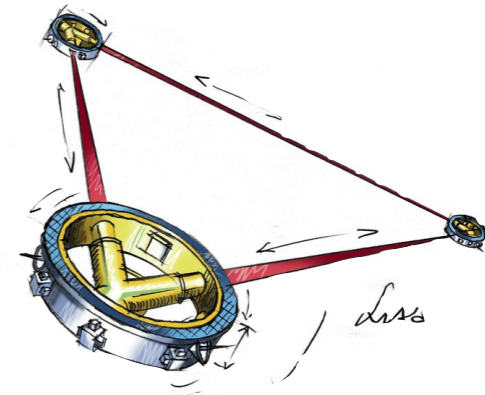
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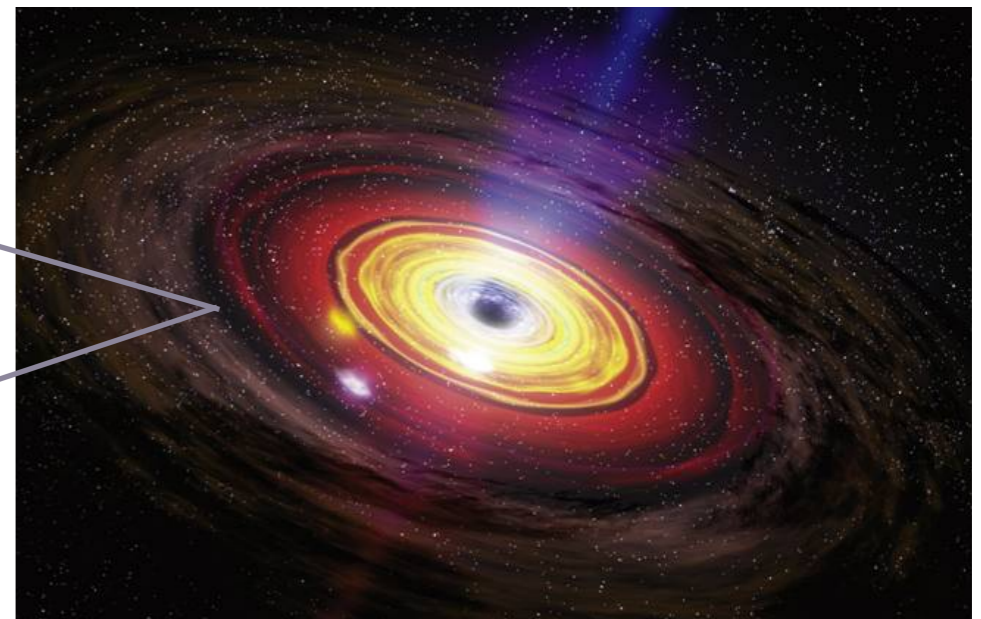
Binaries detected by **LIGO/Virgo** are close to merger: dynamics are dominated by gravitational wave emission



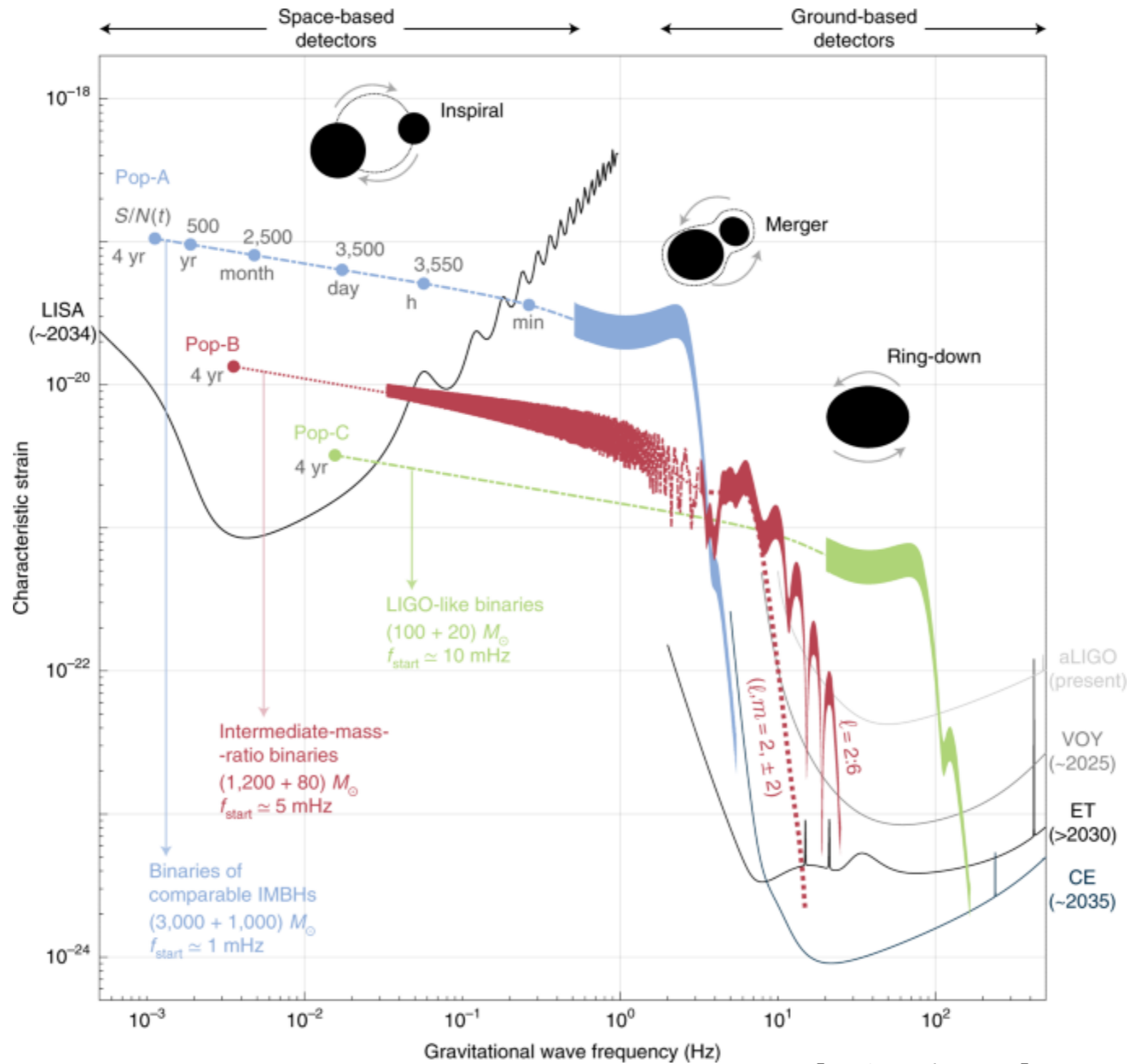
Tomorrow's



LISA will be sensitive to lower frequencies, other effects could be significant/dominant



LISA AND MULTIBAND



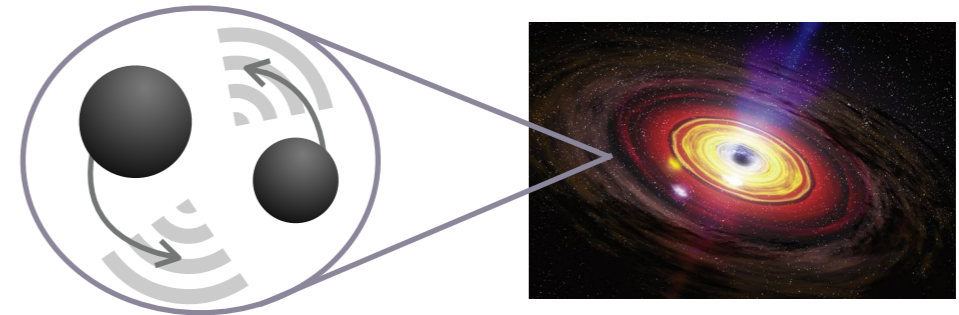
[Jani et al. 2020]

THE BINARIES

Black hole/star + star binaries:



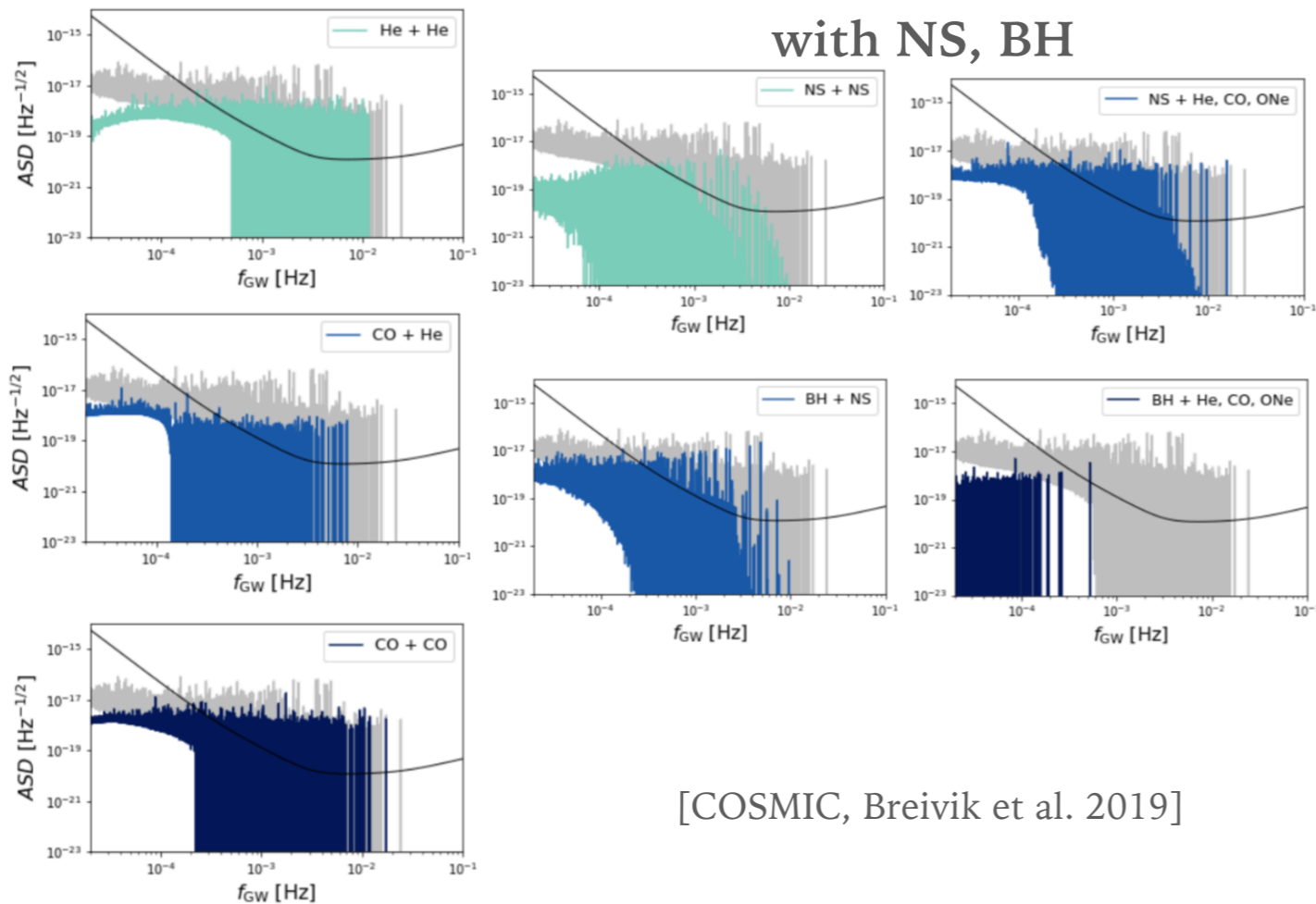
Black hole binary
in matter-rich environment:



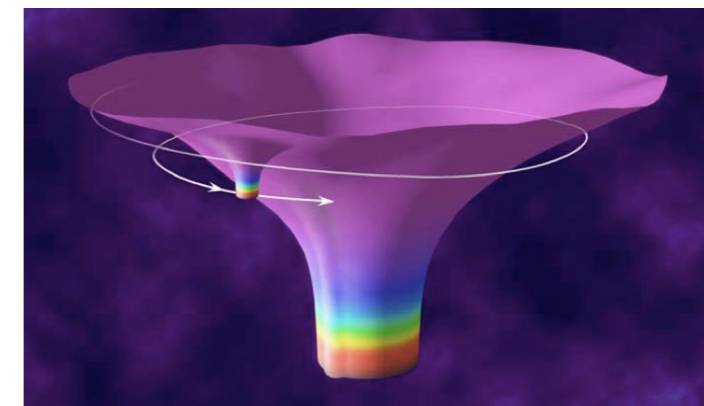
WD-WD

with NS, BH

AGN binaries

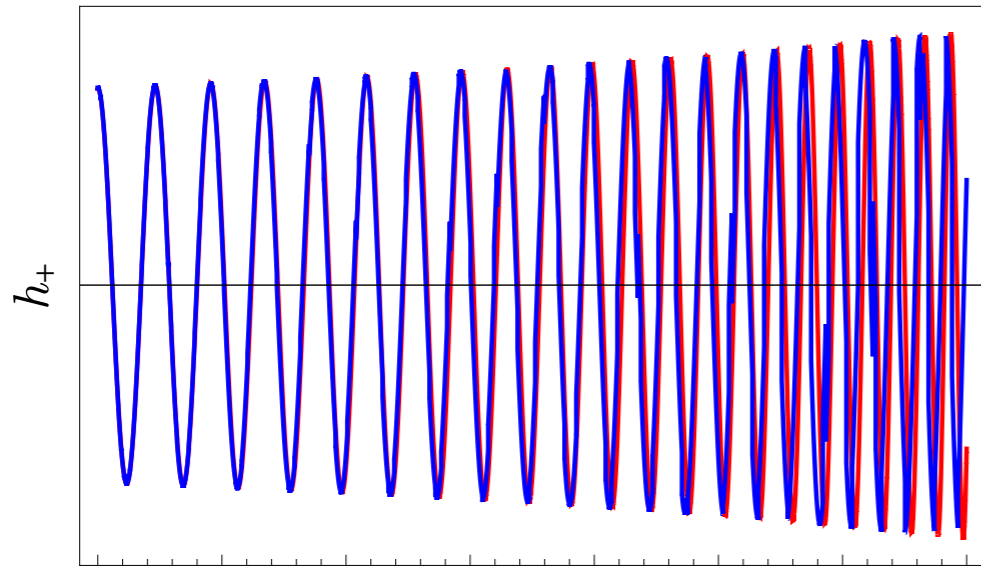


[COSMIC, Breivik et al. 2019]



Extreme-mass-ratio inspirals
in thin accretion disks

MATTER EFFECTS IN GRAVITATIONAL WAVES



post-Newtonian template:

$$h \sim A f^{-7/6} e^{i\phi(f)}$$

$$\phi(f) = -\pi/4 + \phi_c + 2\pi f t_c + (\pi \mathcal{M} f)^{-5/3} \sum_{n=0} a_n (\pi \mathcal{M} f)^{n/3} + \dots$$

$\sim v^n$

$$G_{\mu\nu}(g_{\mu\nu}) = 0$$

Matter effects cause a *dephasing* of the GW signal compared to the vacuum waveform.

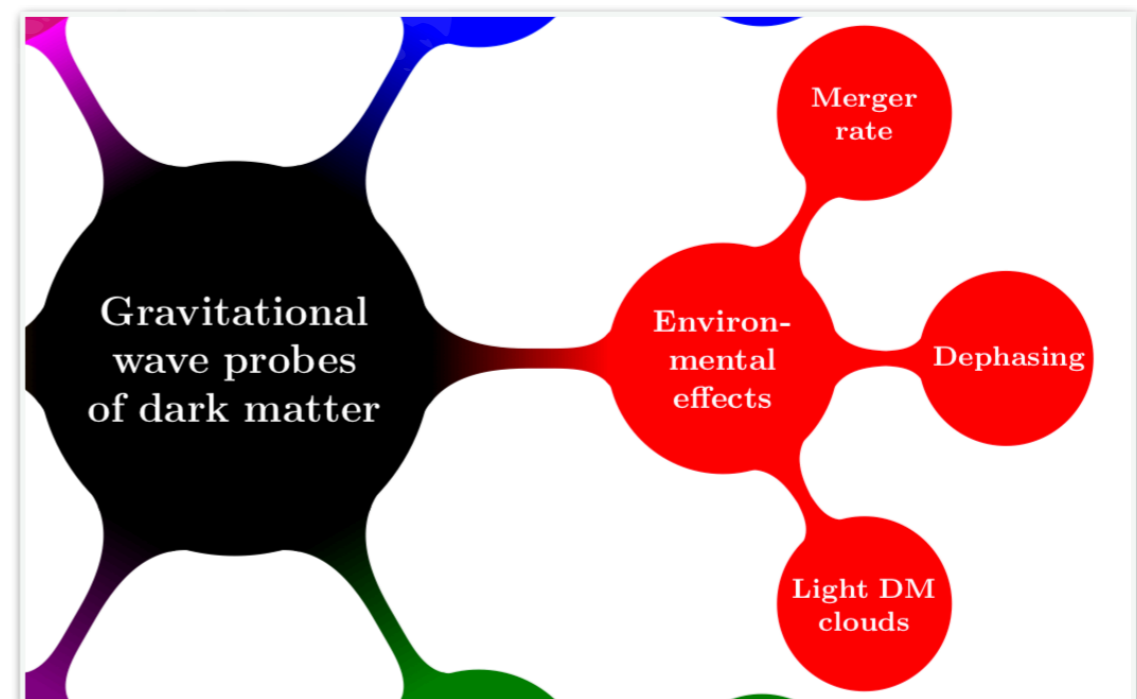
MATTER EFFECTS: WHY CARE?

A **blessing** and a **curse**.

Test population models, *accretion* models, probe AGNs, *multimessenger* astronomy (**blessing**)



Dark matter effects. (**blessing**)



[Bertone et al. 2019]

MATTER EFFECTS: WHY CARE?

A **blessing** and a **curse**.

Matter effects vs modified gravity. (**curse**)

$$h \sim h_{\text{GR}} e^{i\delta(f)}$$

Dipole emission $\delta = b(\pi M f)^{-7/3}$

Varying G $\delta = c(\pi M f)^{-13/3}$

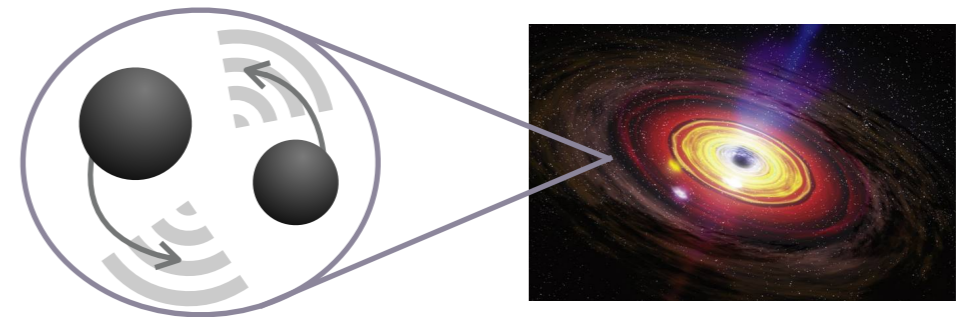


VS



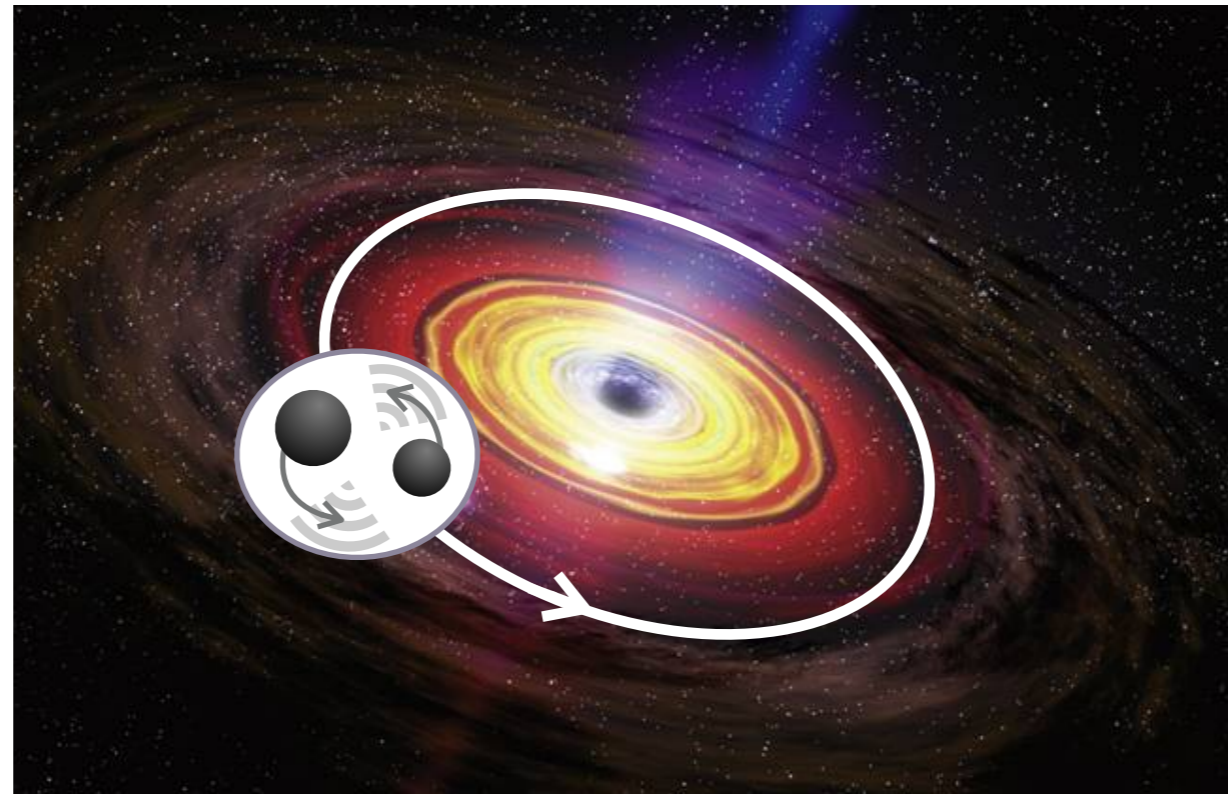
EXAMPLE 1: AGN BINARIES

**Black hole binary
in matter-rich environment:**



AGN binaries

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Matter effects

Mass transfer/accretion

Dynamical friction

Natal kicks

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[*arXiv:2010.06056, arXiv:2001.03620*]

Third body effects

Doppler modulation

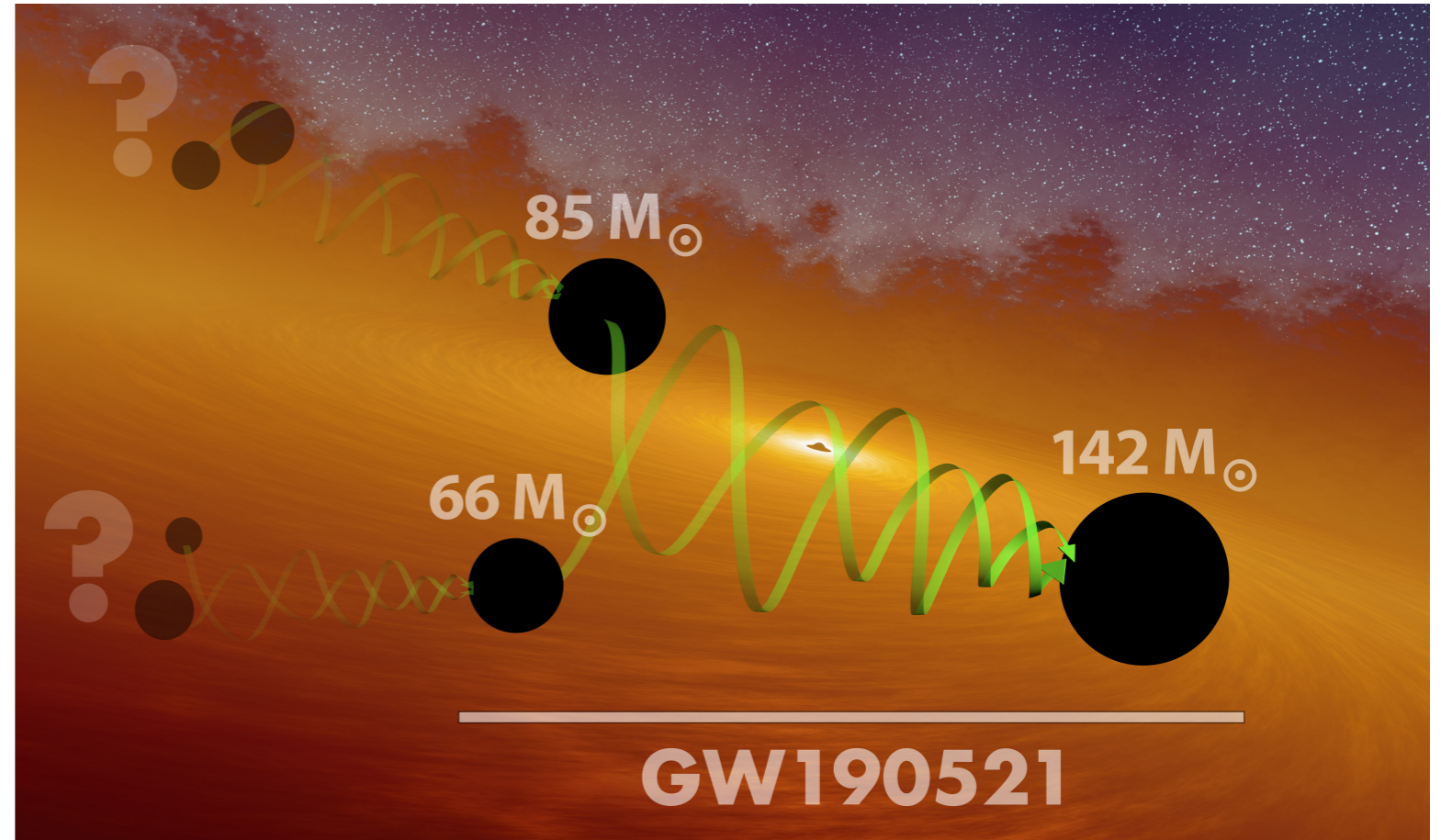
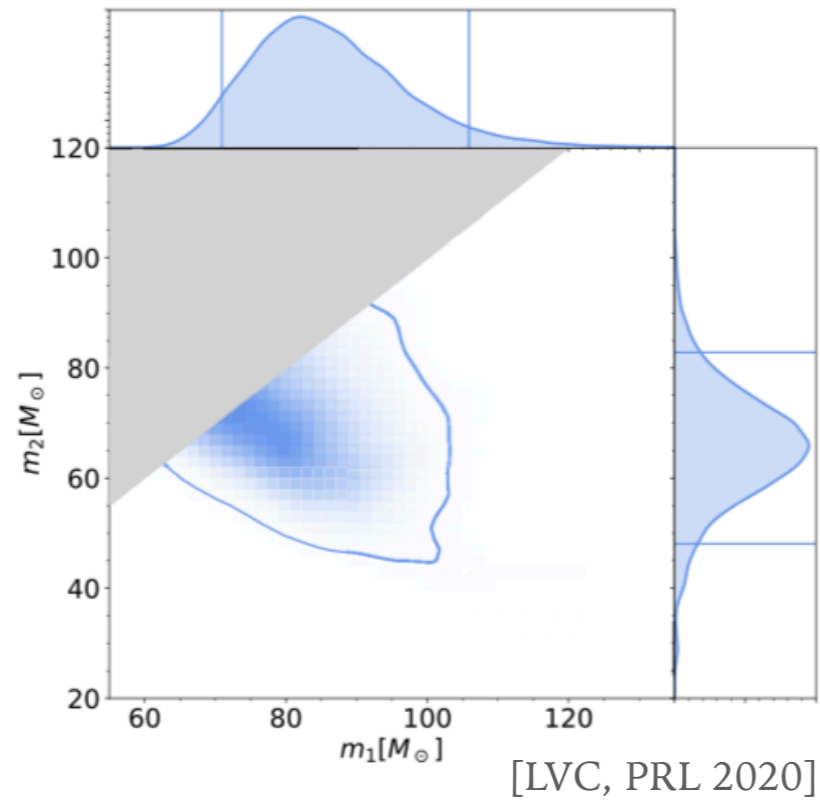
Gravitational lensing

Shapiro time-delay

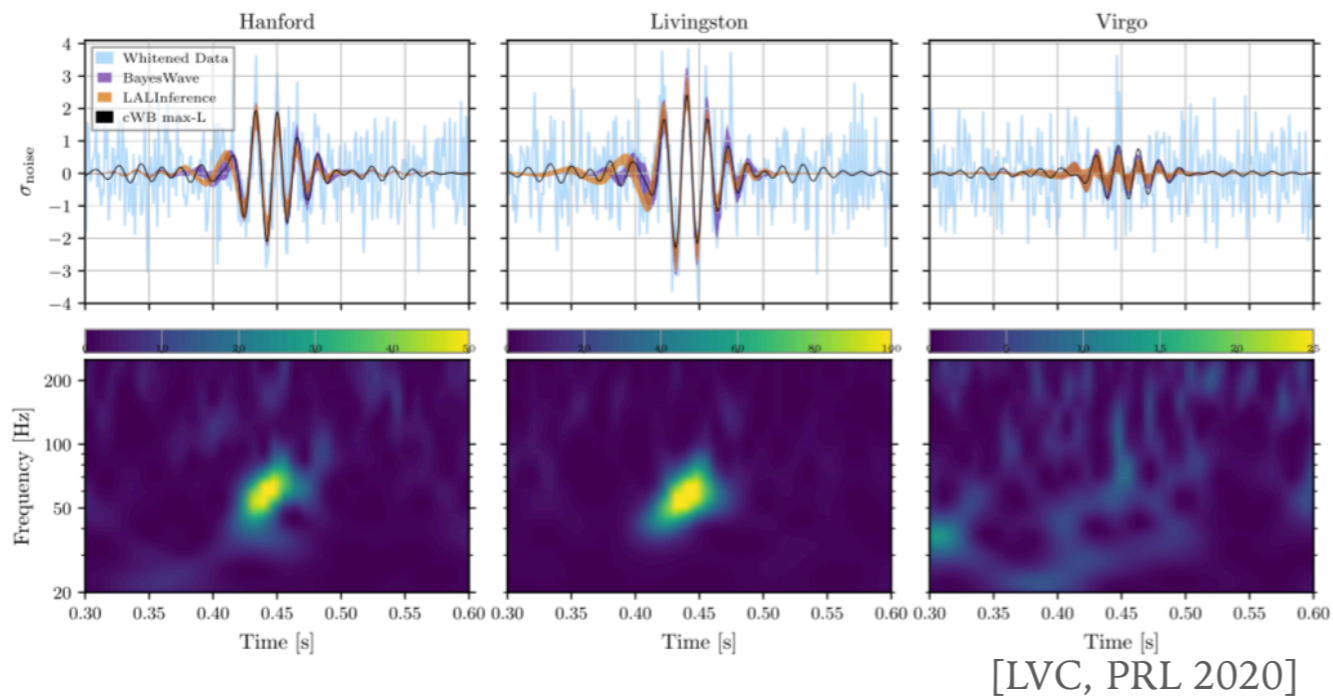
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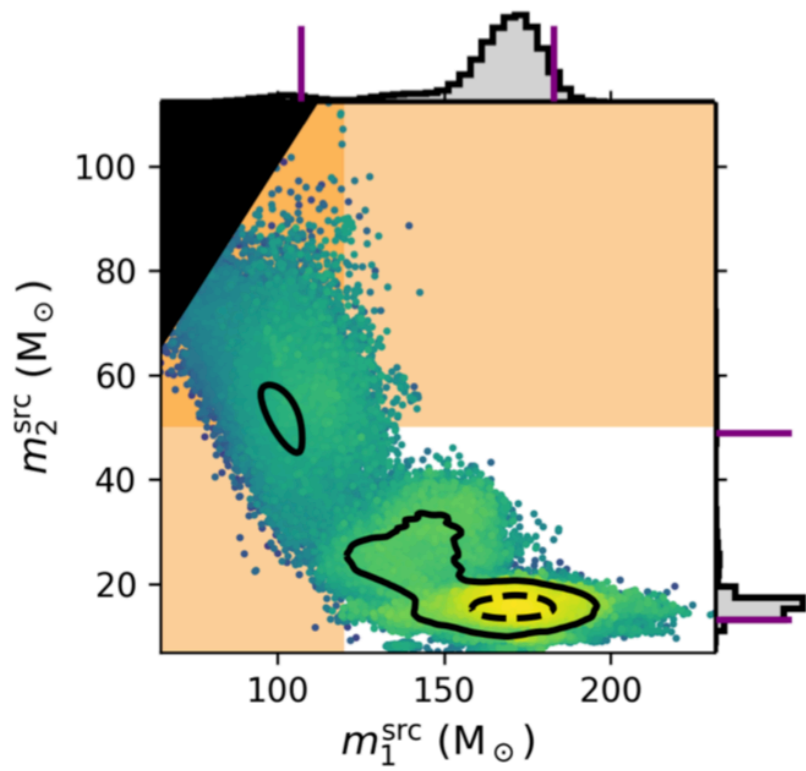
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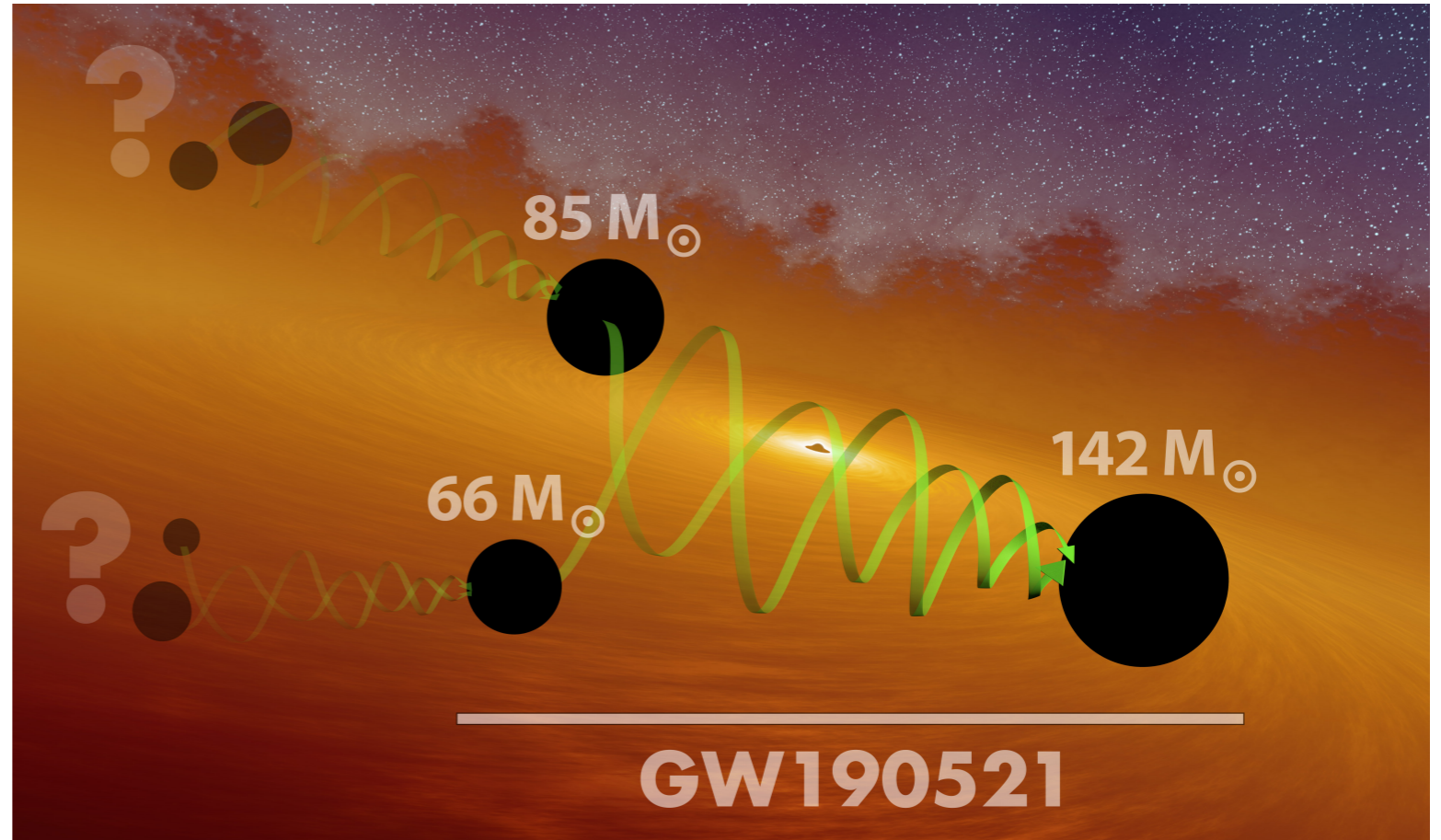
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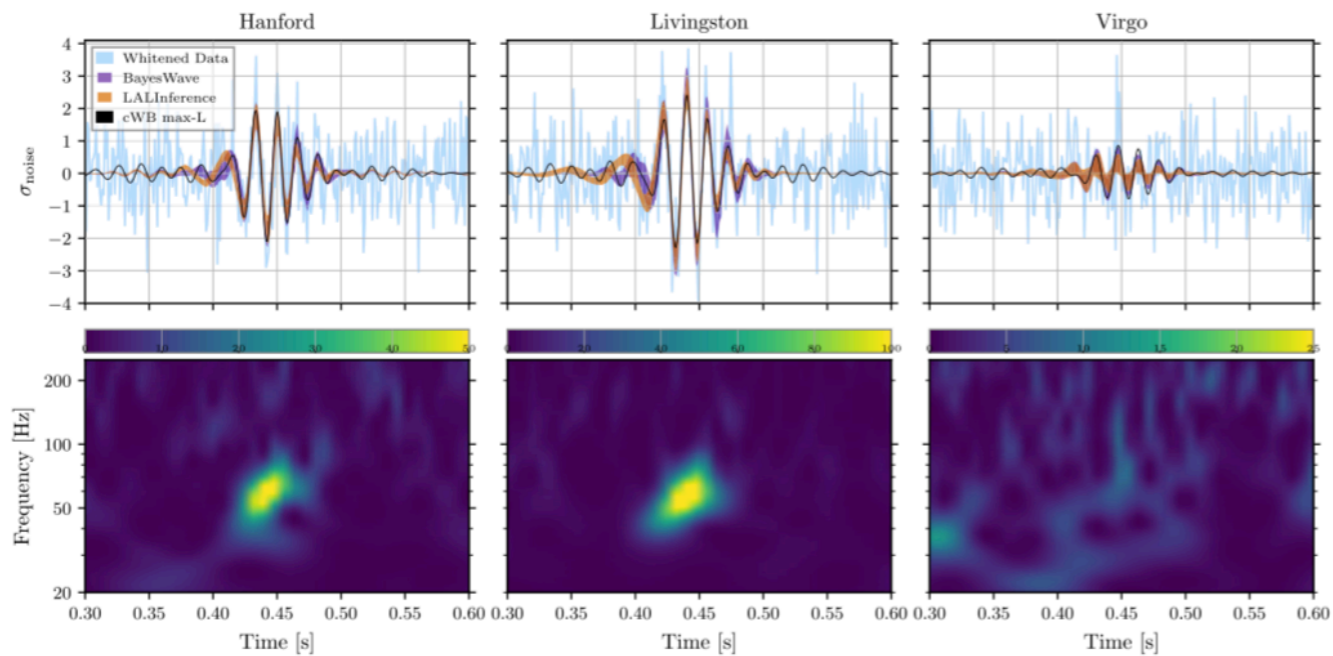
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[Nitz, Capano 2020]



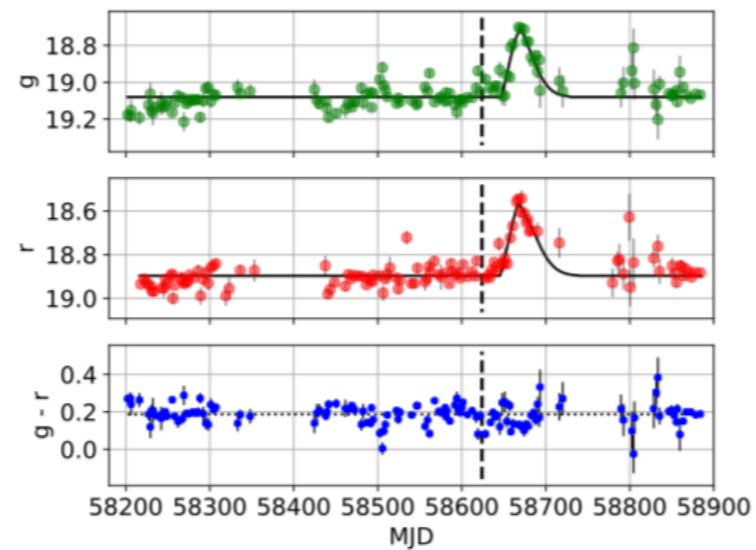
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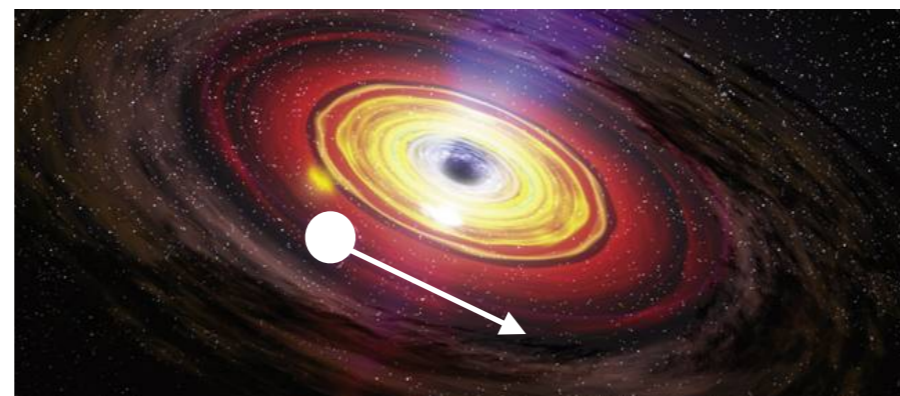
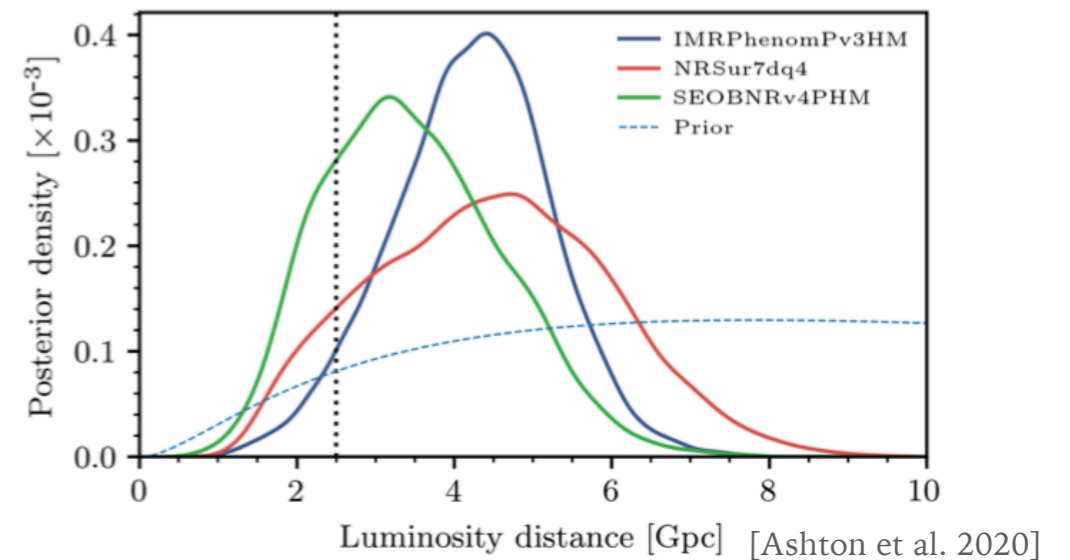
[LVC, PRL 2020]

GW190521: ELECTROMAGNETIC COUNTERPART?

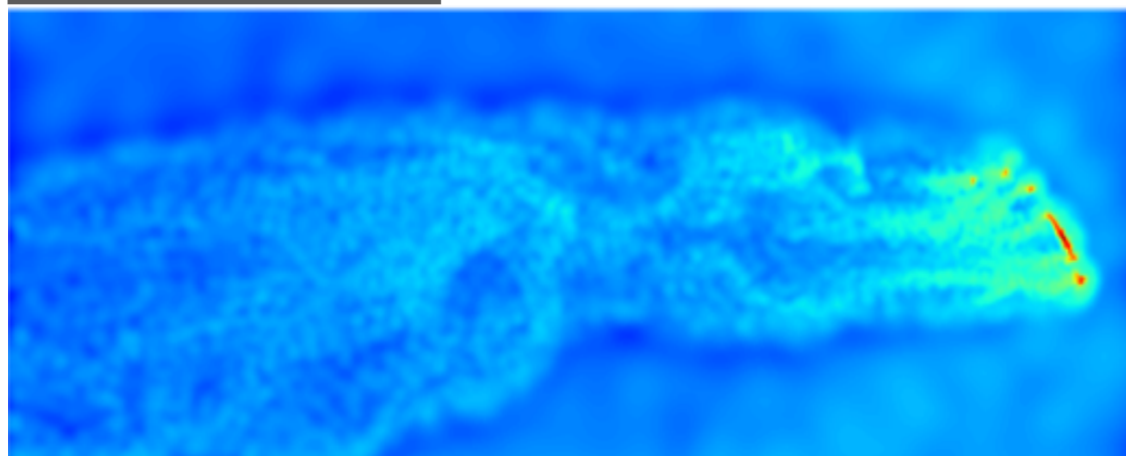
*Optical flare
detected by the
Zwicky Transient Facility*



[Graham et al. 2020]



Ram pressure



[Steinhauser et al. 2016]

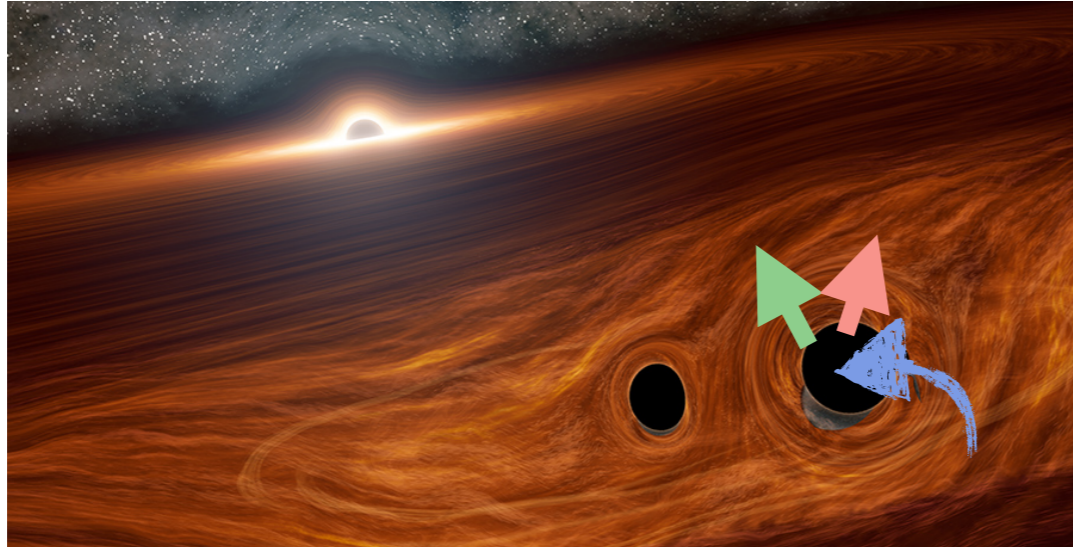
Boyle accretion



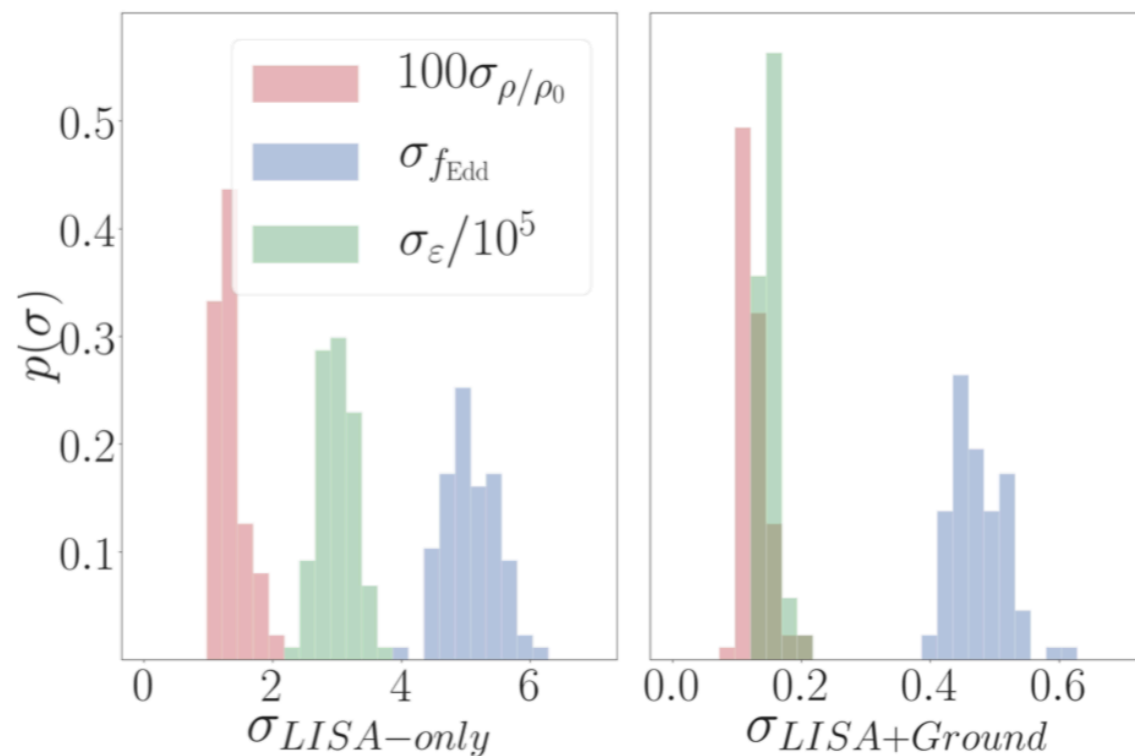
[Moeckel Throop 2009]

GW190521-LIKE BINARIES SEEN BY LISA

Detectability of **accretion**, **friction**, constant peculiar **acceleration**



Effect of multiband



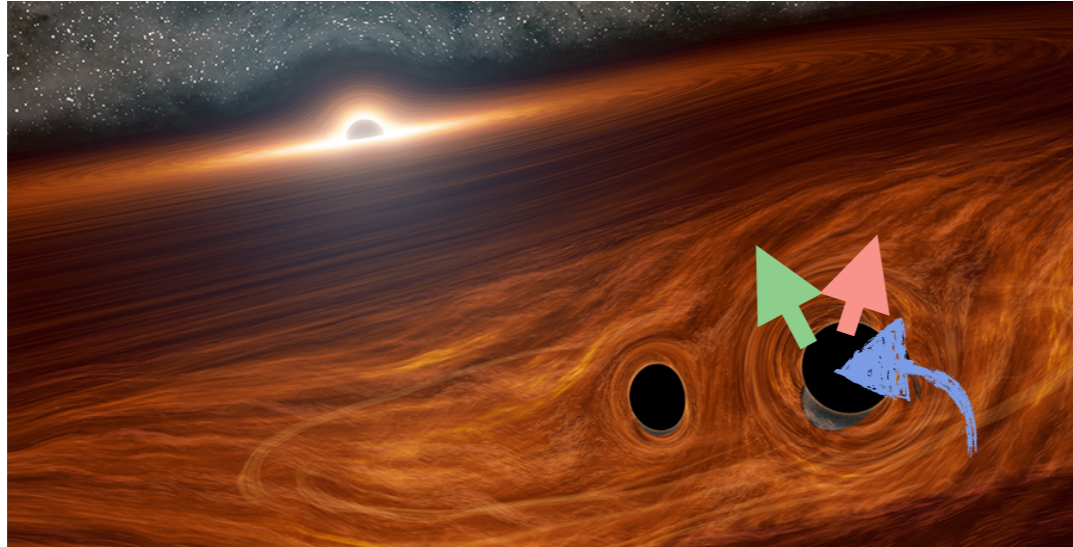
$$\tilde{\Phi}_{\text{accretion}} \sim -f_{\text{Edd}} [\pi f \mathcal{M} (1+z)]^{-13/3}$$

$$\tilde{\Phi}_{\text{acceleration}} \sim \epsilon [\pi f \mathcal{M} (1+z)]^{-13/3}$$

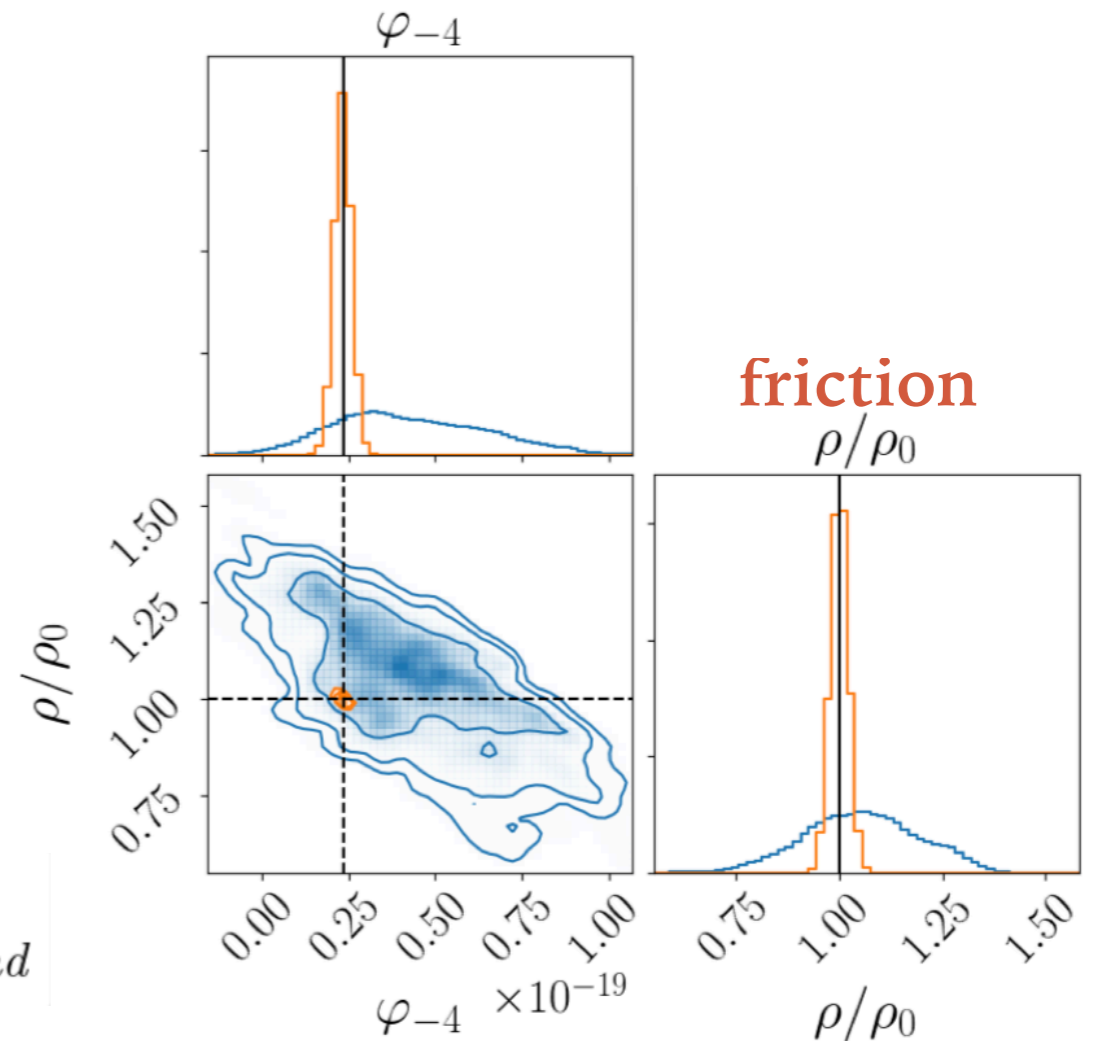
$$\tilde{\Phi}_{\text{dyn fr}} \sim \rho [\pi f \mathcal{M} (1+z)]^{-16/3}$$

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Detectability of **accretion**, **friction**, constant peculiar **acceleration** together

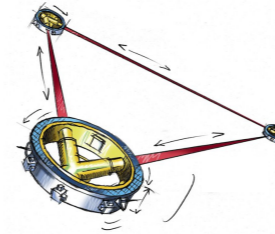
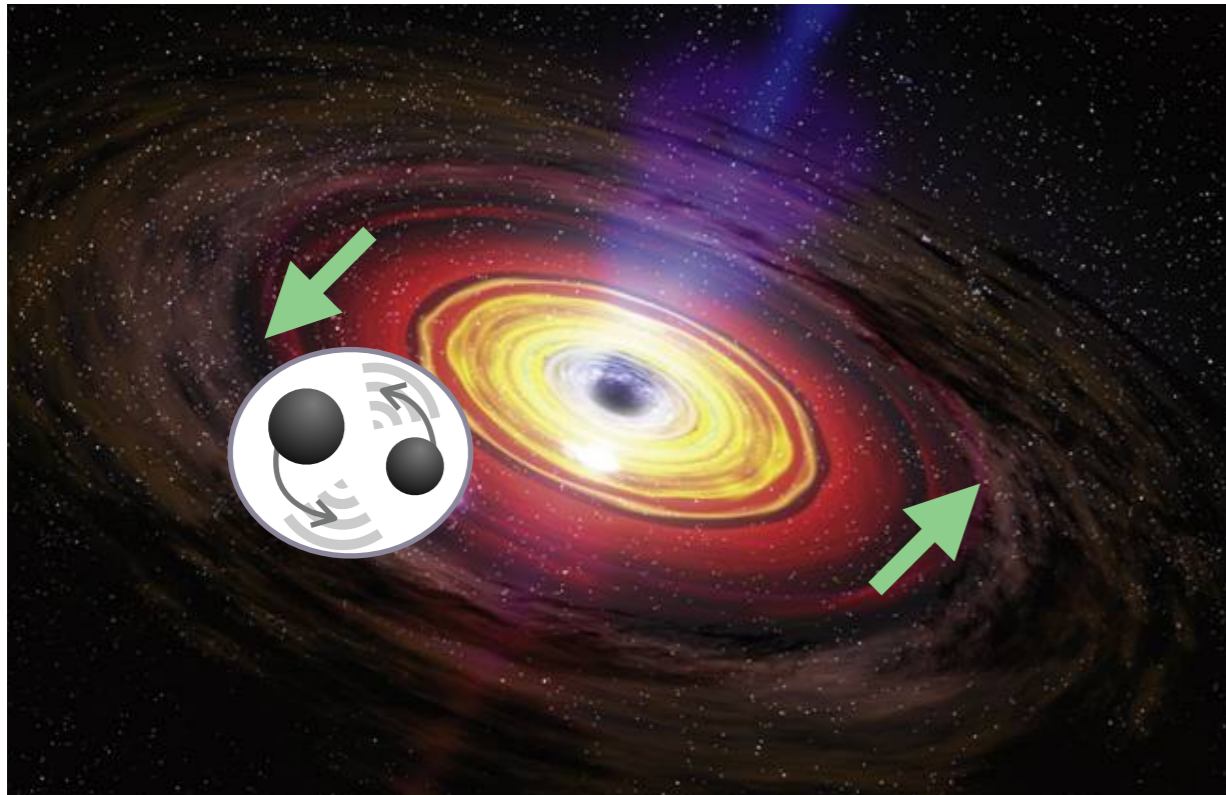


acceleration/accretion



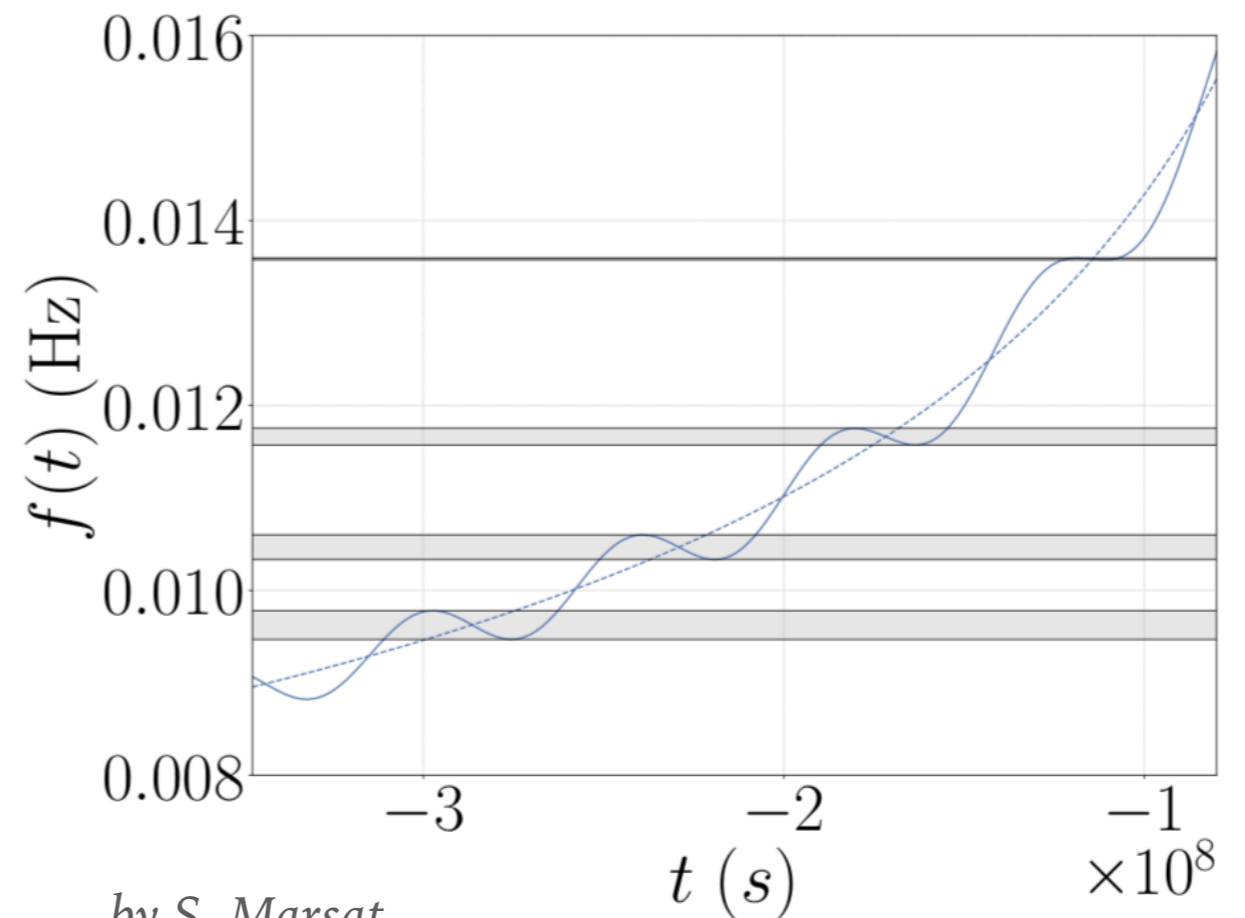
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Doppler effect



$$s(t) = h(t + d^{\parallel}(t))$$

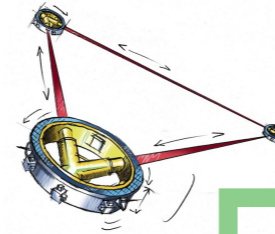
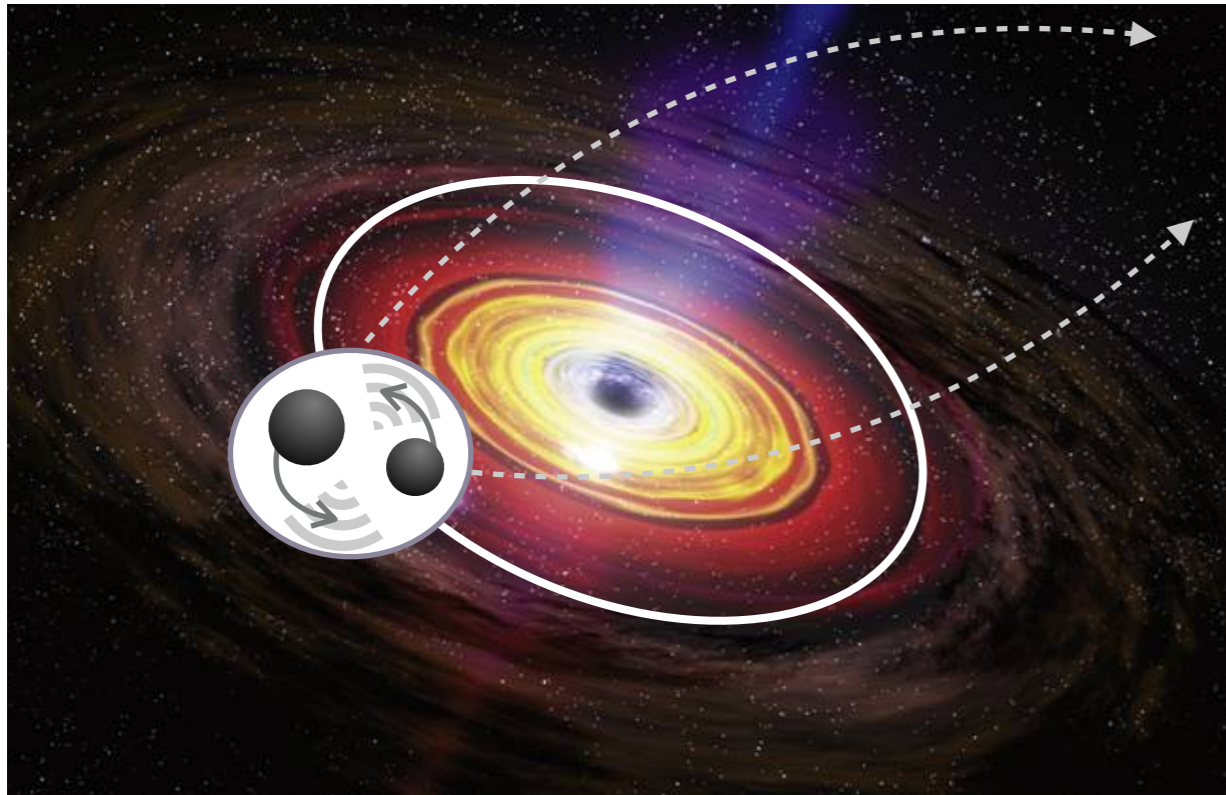
$$d^{\parallel}(t) = a \cos \iota \sin(\Omega t + \phi_0)$$



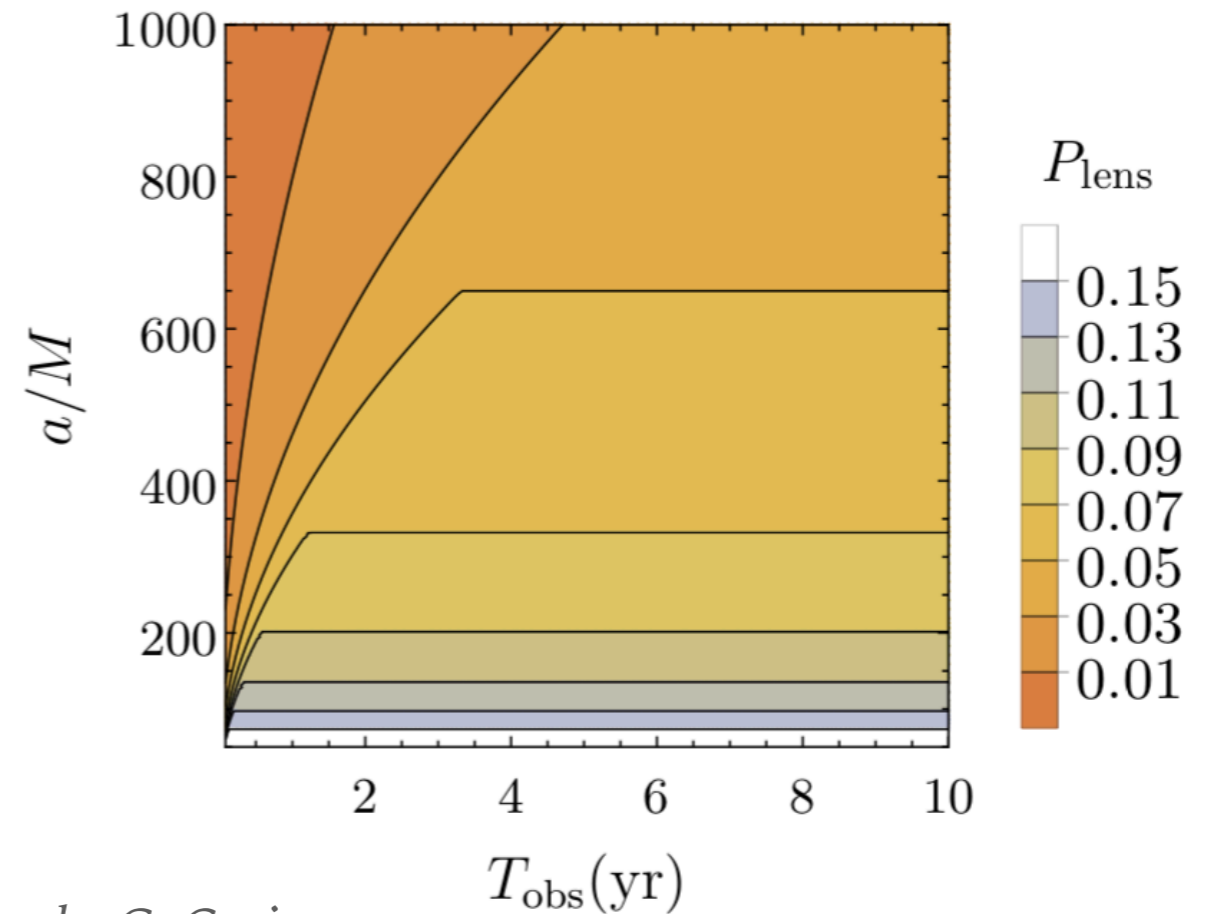
by S. Marsat

GW190521-LIKE BINARIES SEEN BY LISA

Strong gravitational lensing



$$h^L(t) = \left[|\mu_+|^{1/2} - i |\mu_-|^{1/2} e^{2\pi i f \Delta t} \right] h(t)$$



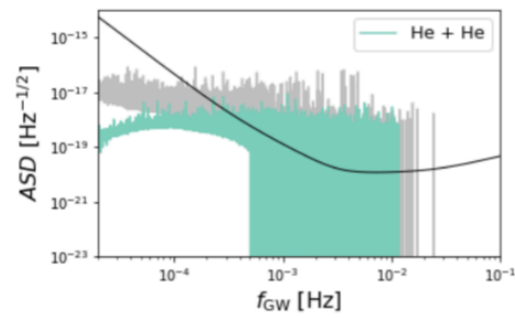
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EXAMPLE 2: GALACTIC BINARIES

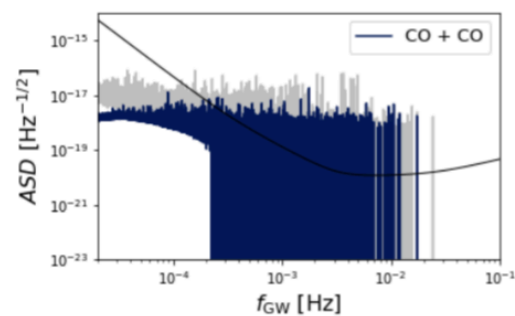
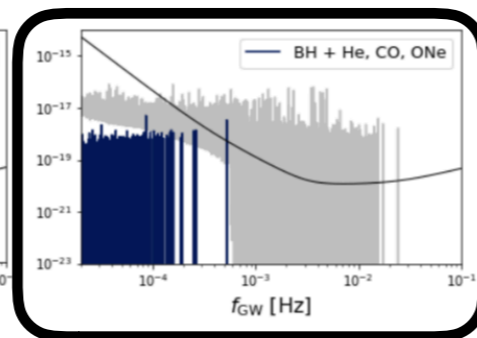
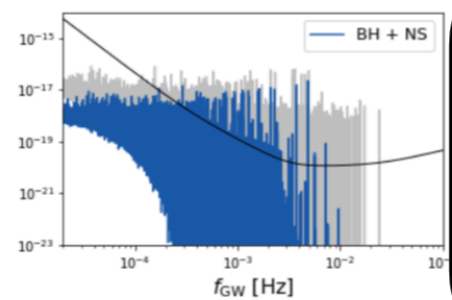
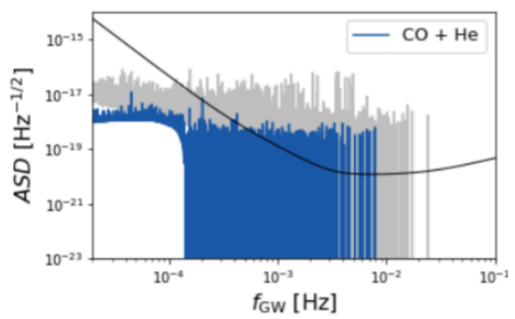
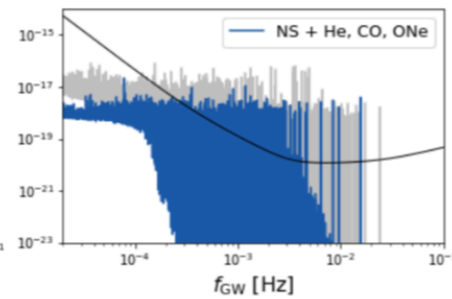
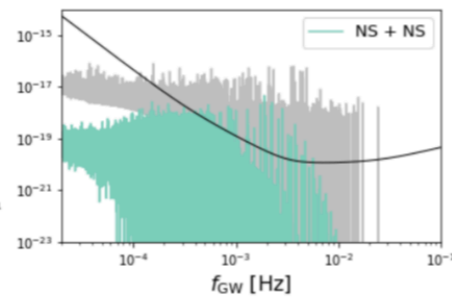
Black hole/star + star binaries:



WD-WD



with NS, BH



[COSMIC, Breivik et al. 2019]

WHITE DWARF-BLACK HOLE BINARIES

Black hole/star + star binaries:



- **Less numerous** in the Galaxy than white dwarf binaries [Hurley et al. 02]

- ...but higher **SNR** in LISA! ($\text{SNR} \sim \mathcal{M}^{2/3}$)

- Limited observational evidence: **X9** in globular cluster 47 Tuc

WD WD

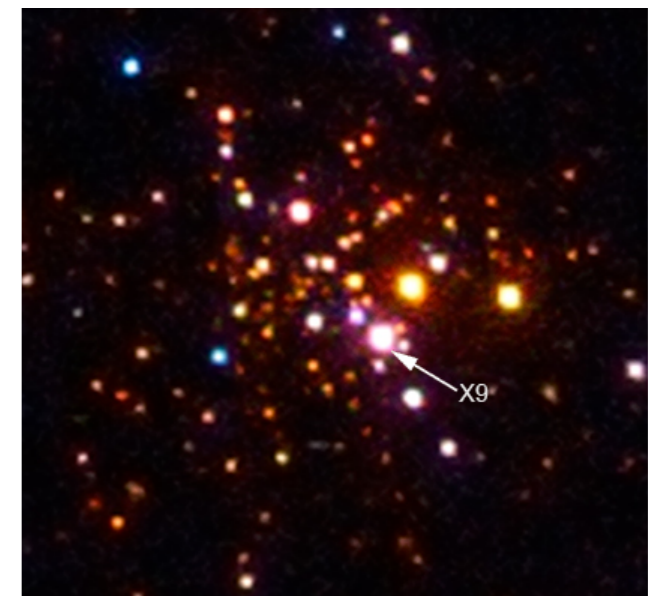


$10^6 - 10^8$

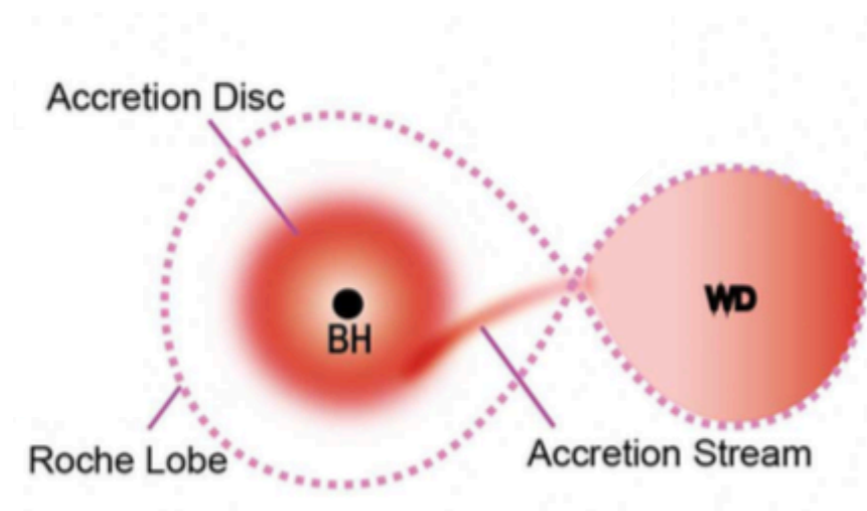
WD BH



$10^2 - 10^4$



WD-BH: MASS TRANSFER EVOLUTION



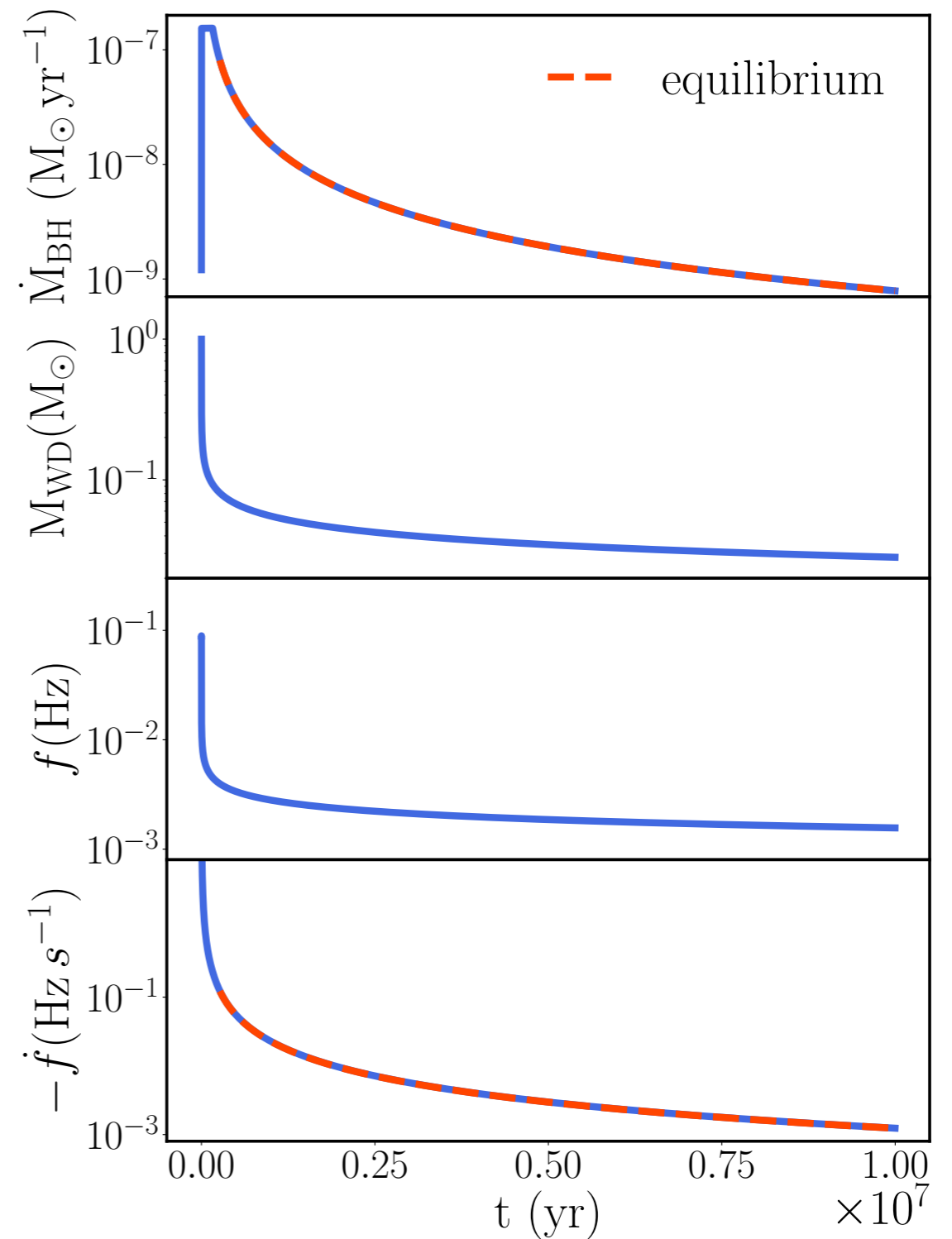
[adapted from Marsh et al. 03]

$$\dot{J}_{\text{orbit}} + \dot{J}_{\text{BH}} + \dot{J}_{\text{WD}} = -\dot{J}_{\text{GW}} - \dot{J}_{\text{wind}}$$

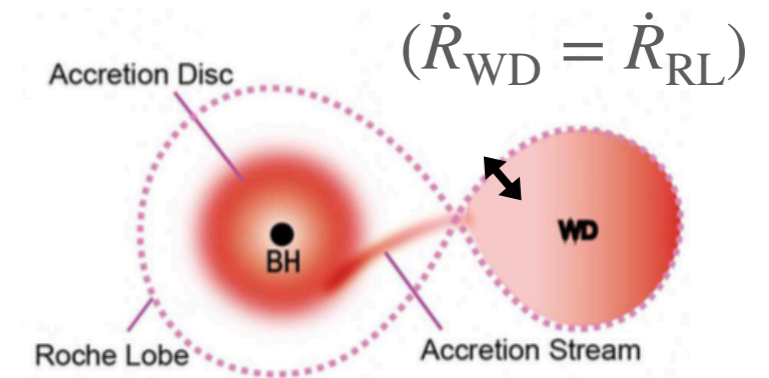
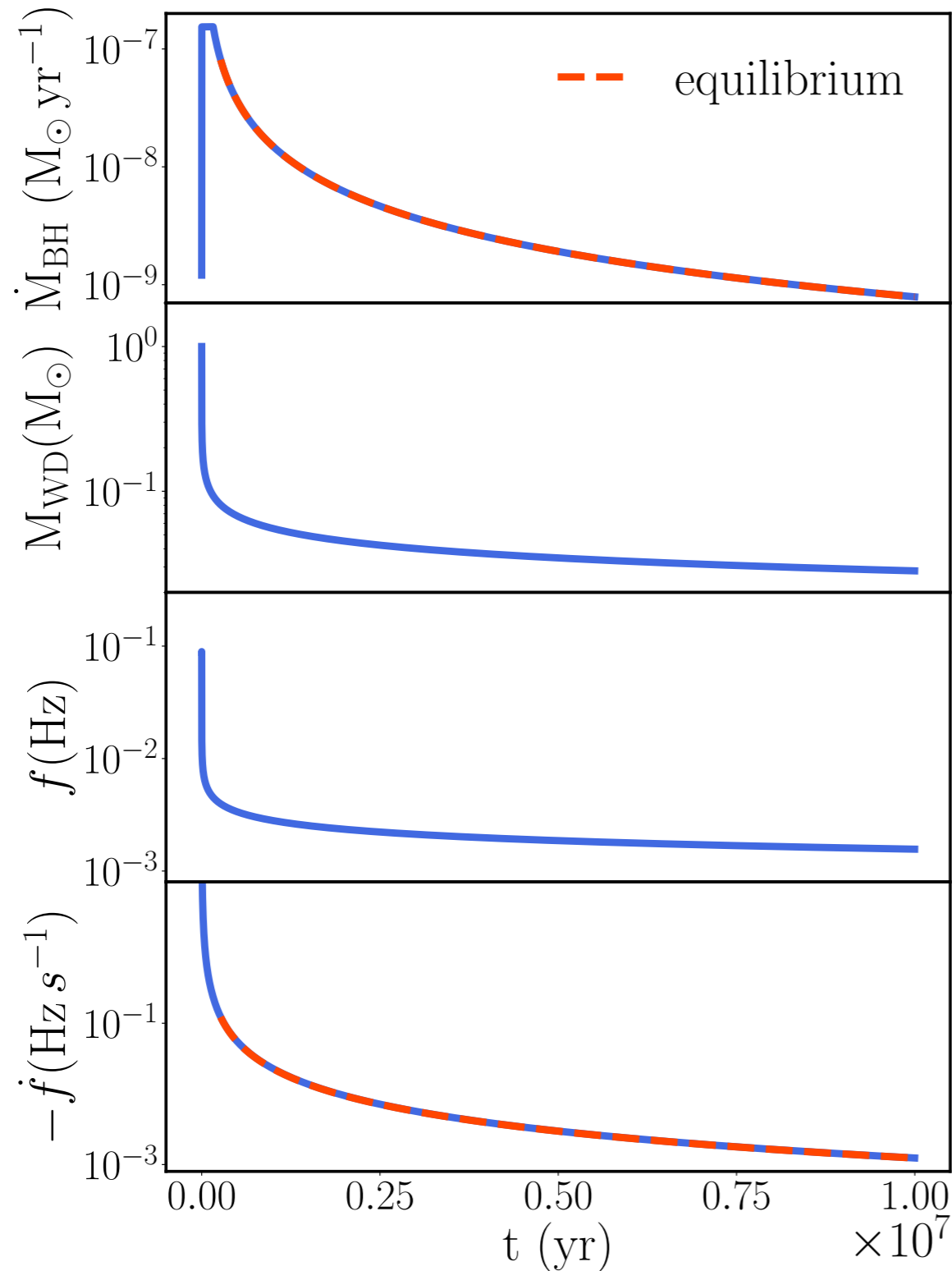


T=0 K

tidally locked ($\tau_{\text{sync}} \sim q^2$)



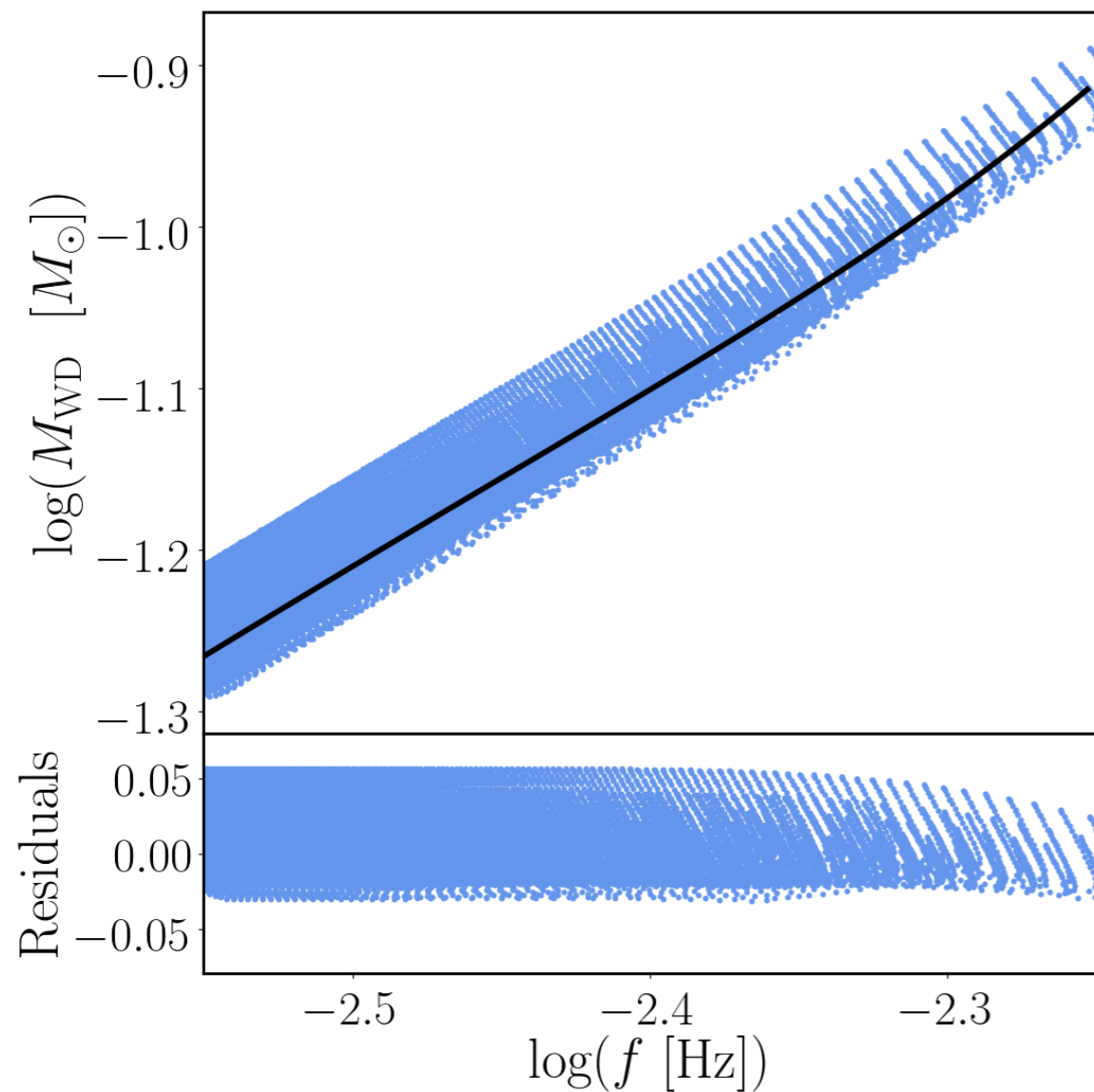
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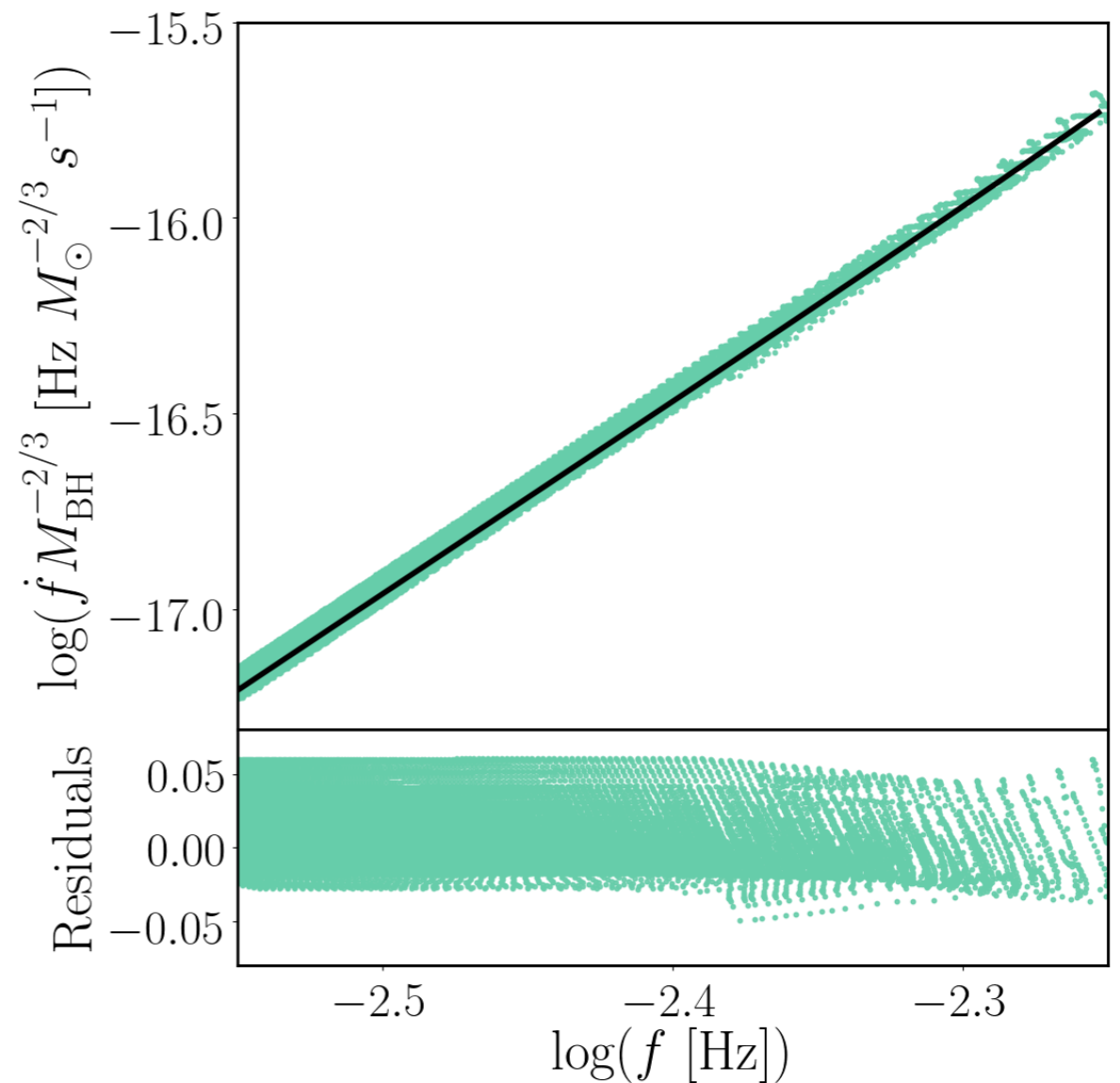
*the increase in the Roche lobe compensates
the one in the WD's radius*

$$\dot{\Delta} = R_2 \left[\left(\zeta_{\text{WD}} - \zeta_{r_L} \right) \frac{\dot{M}_{\text{WD}}}{M_{\text{WD}}} - \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right] = 0$$

WD-BH: EVOLUTIONARY TRACKS (1)



Also *WD-WD binaries*
From GW frequency to **WD mass** ✓



New relation!
From frequency derivative to **BH mass** ✓

WD-BH: GW (LISA) OBSERVATIONS

Breivik et al. 2018, accreting WD binaries, LISA+GAIA

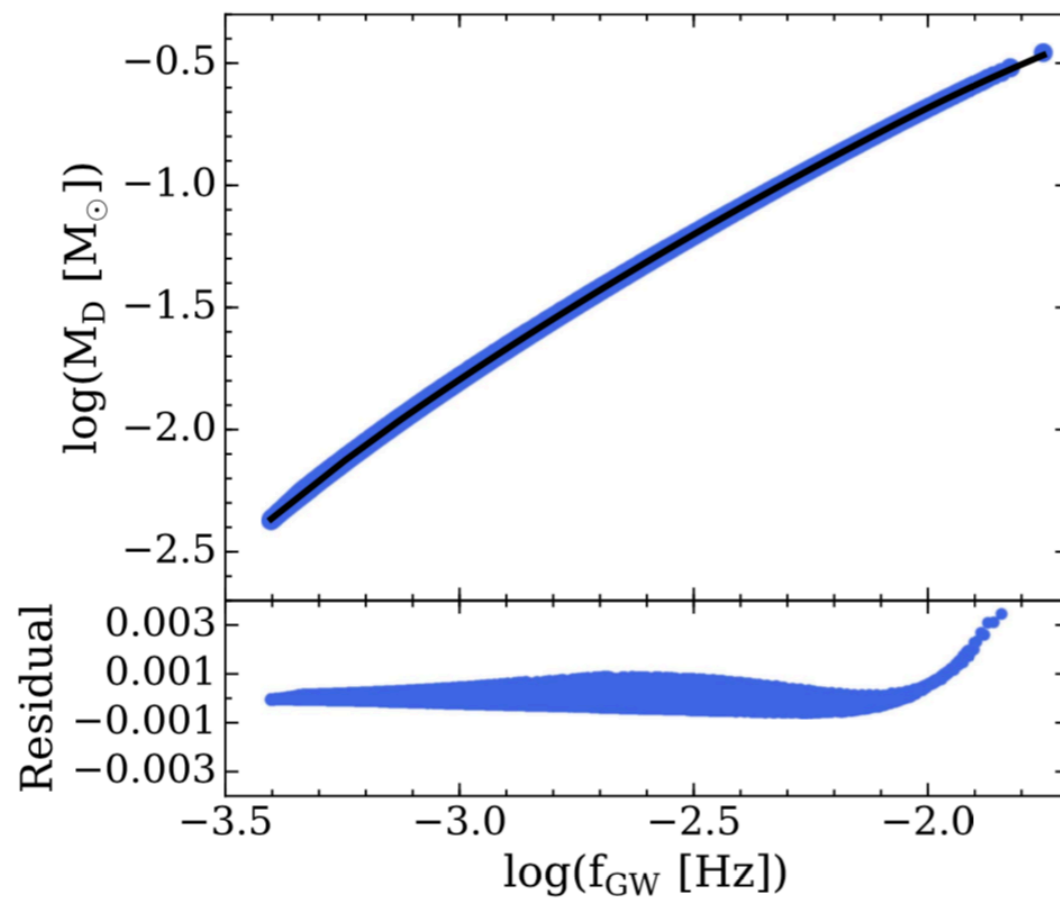


Figure 1. Donor mass vs. GW frequency tracks for all modeled DWD systems and the residuals ($M_D - M_{D,\text{fit}}$) of the fit evaluated for each point on the tracks.

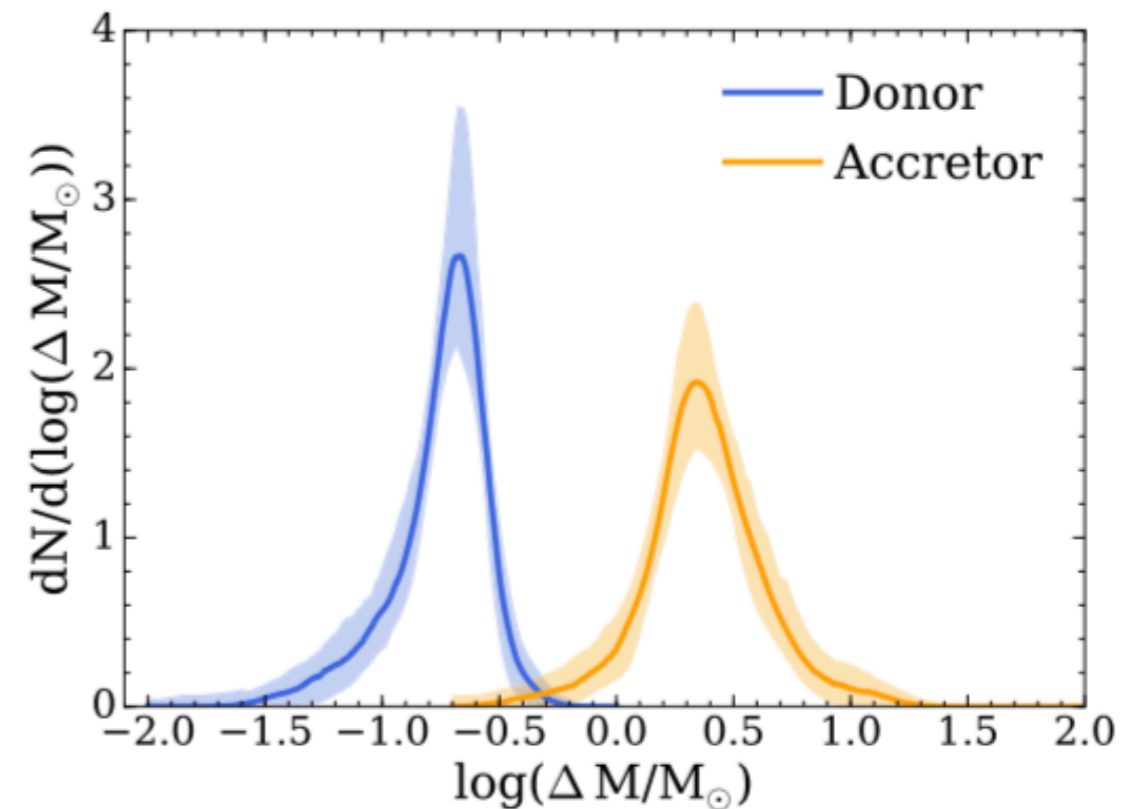
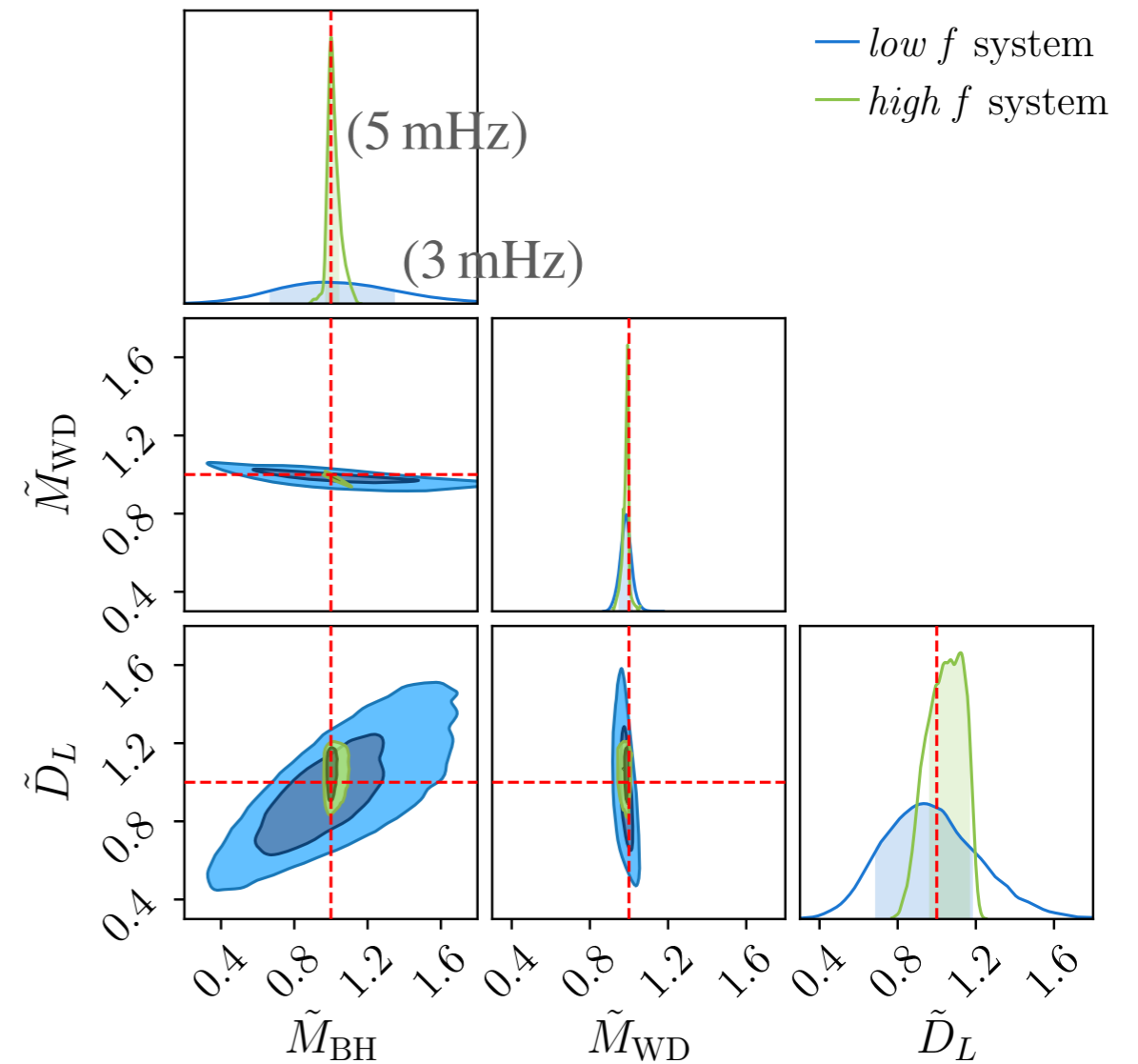
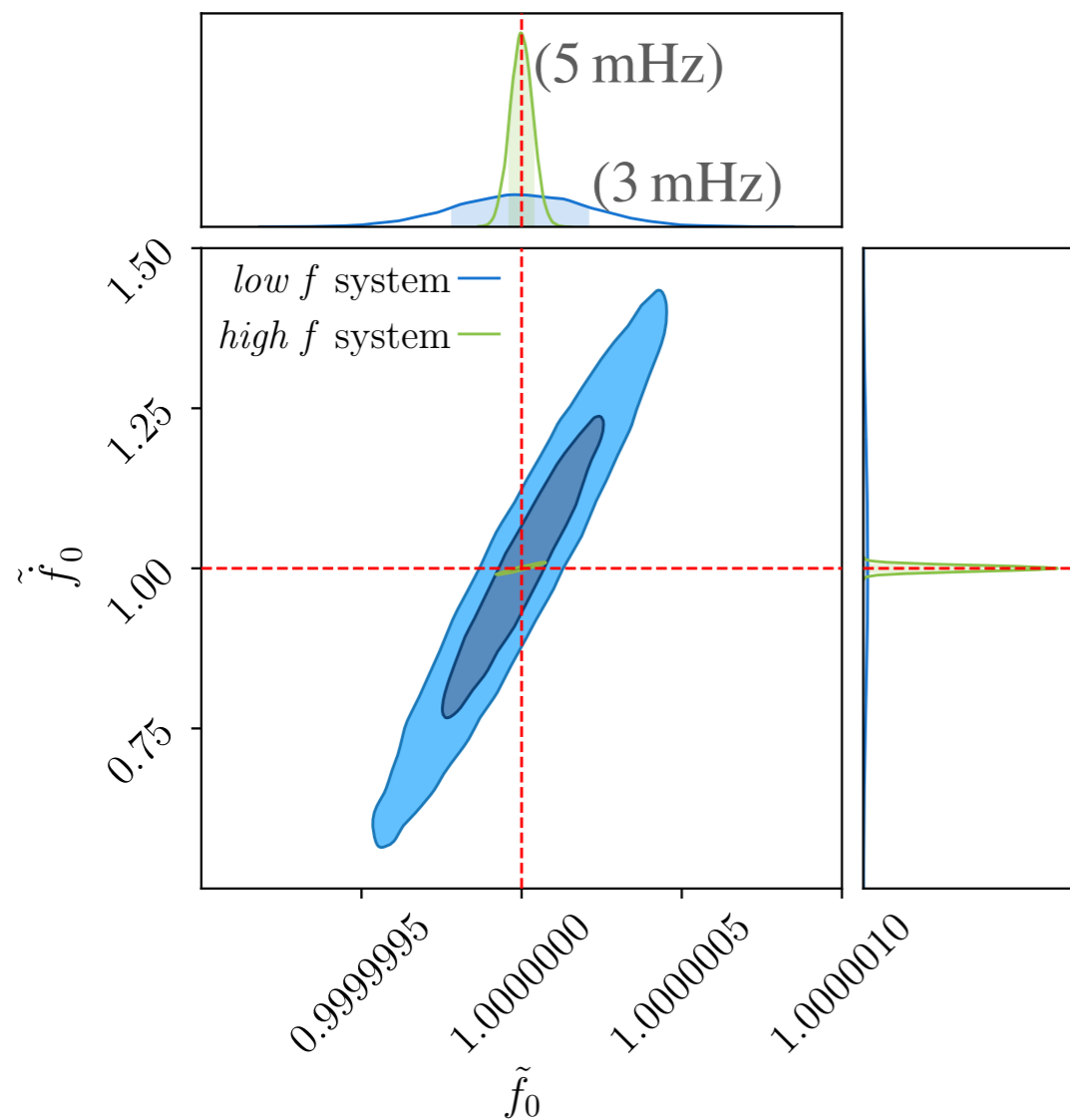
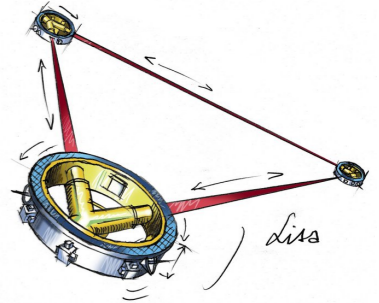


Figure 3. Measurement errors for donor masses (blue) and accretor masses (orange). The shaded regions show 5%–95% percentile spread for our 100 population realizations.

WD-BH: GW (LISA) OBSERVATIONS

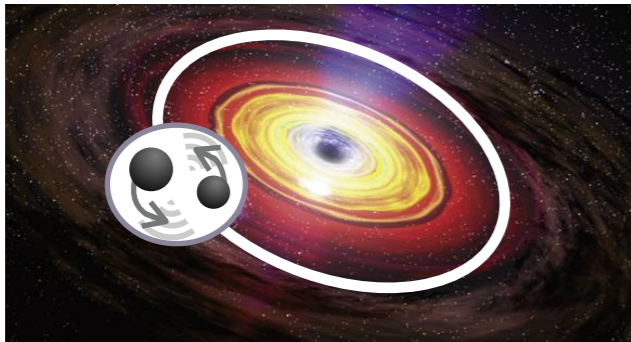
With LISA observations alone we can infer both masses

$$h \sim h_0 \cos(\phi_0 + 2\pi f_0 t + \pi \dot{f}_0 t^2)$$



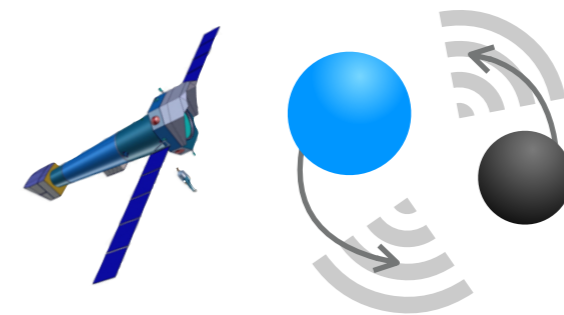
WHAT'S NEXT

Exciting targets for the LISA mission:



AGN binaries

- ▶ 1-100 events in LISA
- ▶ EM targets ($< 1 \text{ deg}^2$)
- ▶ Need techniques to analyze Doppler shifted signals



WD-BHs

- ▶ Can infer masses with GWs alone
- ▶ EM targets (X-ray, e.g. Athena)
- ▶ Refine modelling and population expectations

Other “dirty” targets

Double WDs with low tidal couplings

Common envelope stage

Extreme-mass-ratio inspirals in thin accretion disks



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