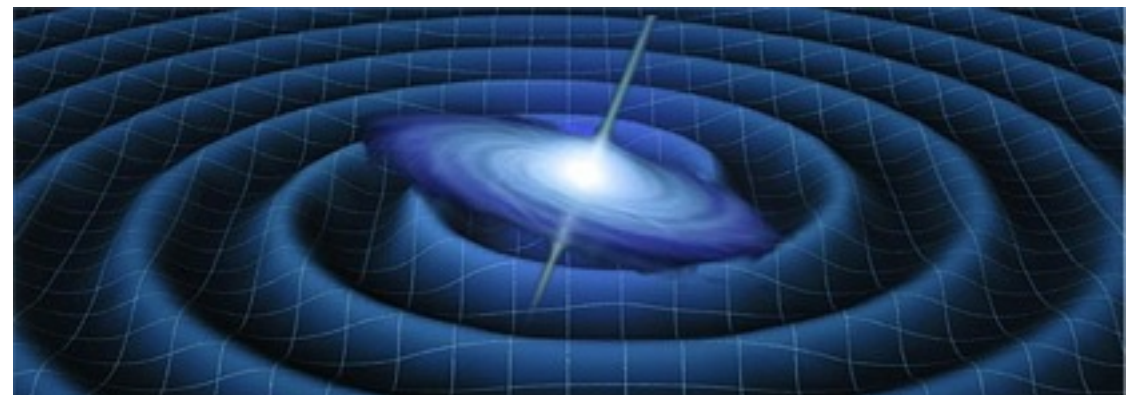


Detecting gravitational waves from, and with, neutron stars

Paul Lasky



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Contents:



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- Overview & update
- Gravitational waves from neutron stars

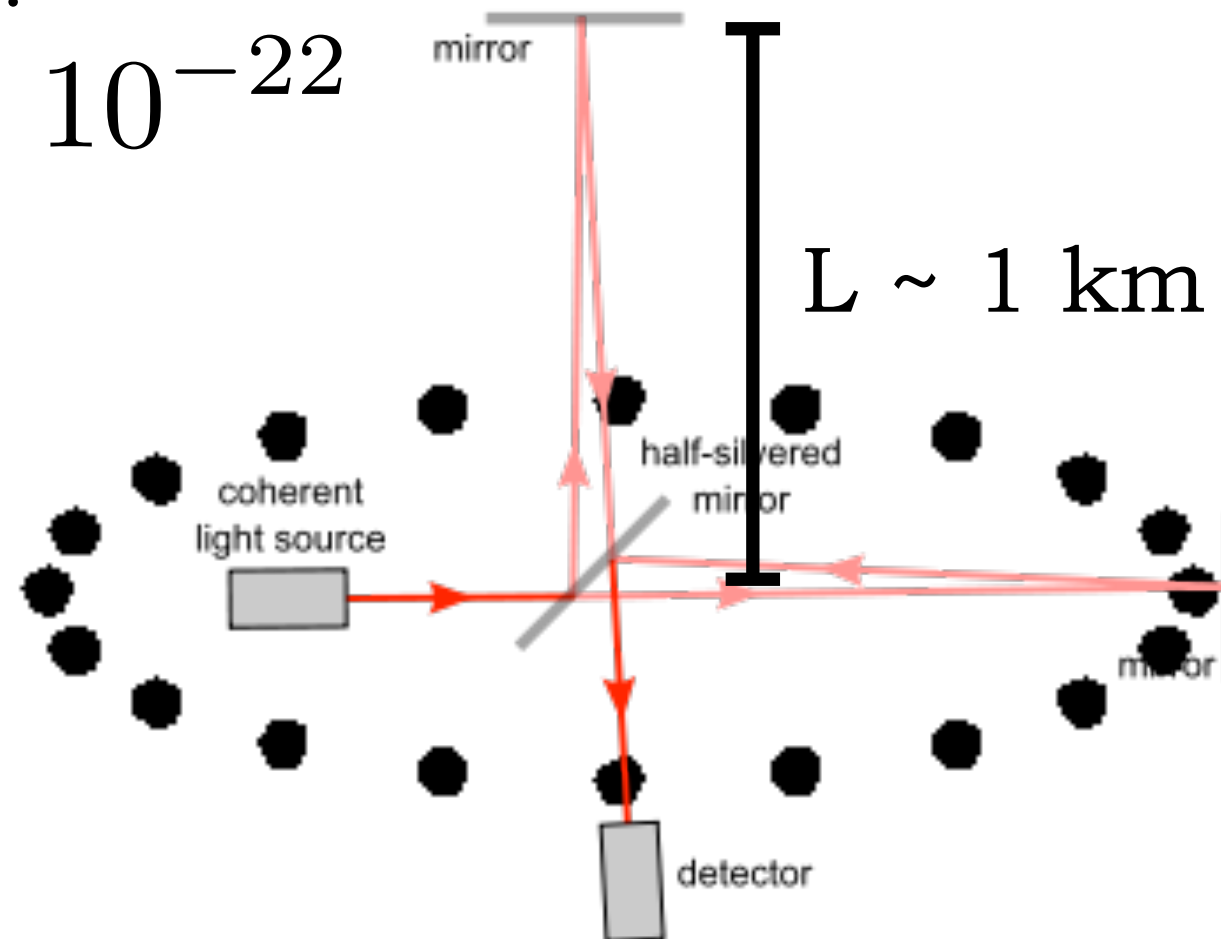


- Overview & update
- Cosmology with current gravitational wave limits

Consider 2 merging
black holes

Typical signal:

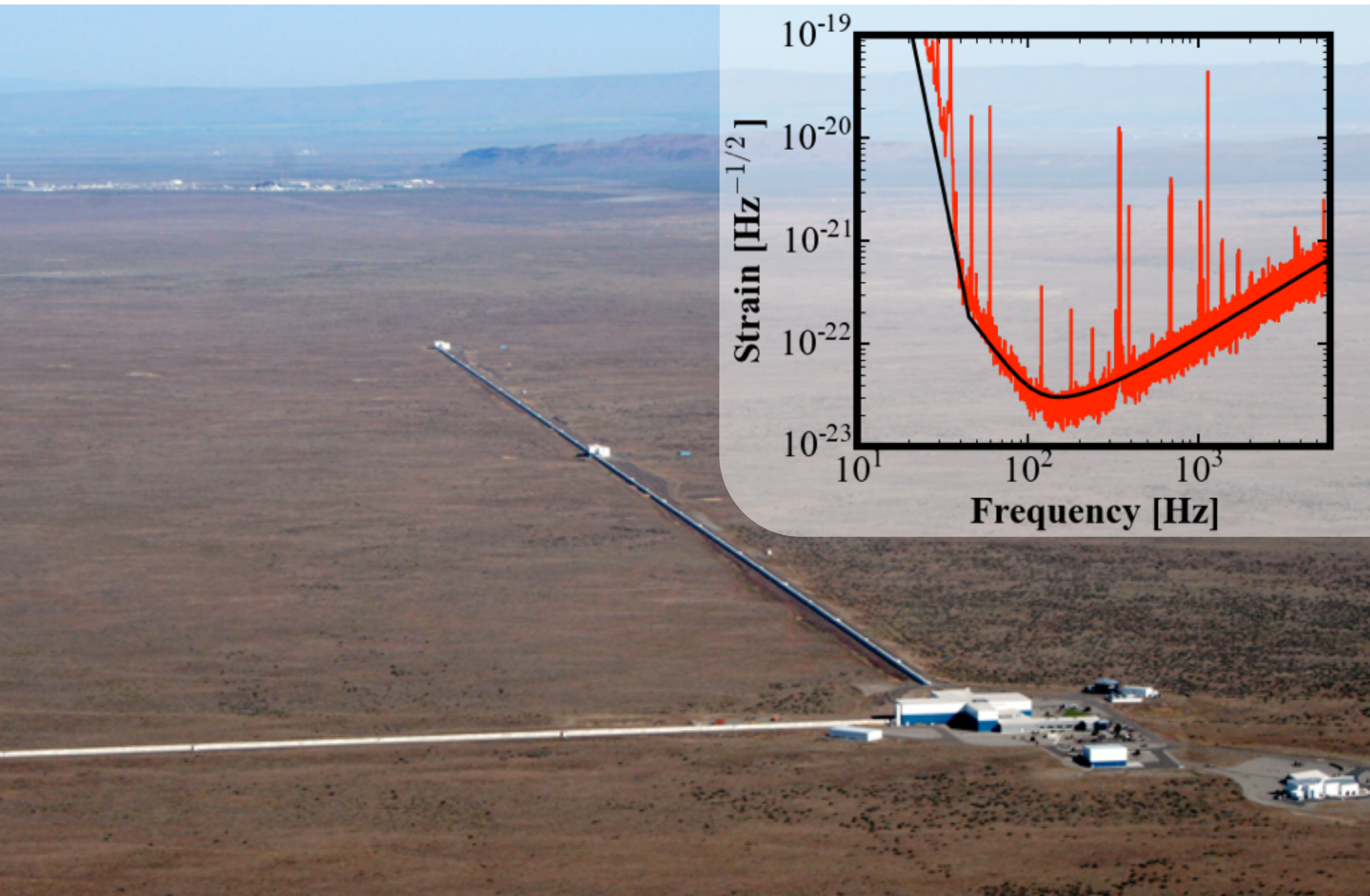
$$h = \Delta L / L \sim 10^{-22}$$

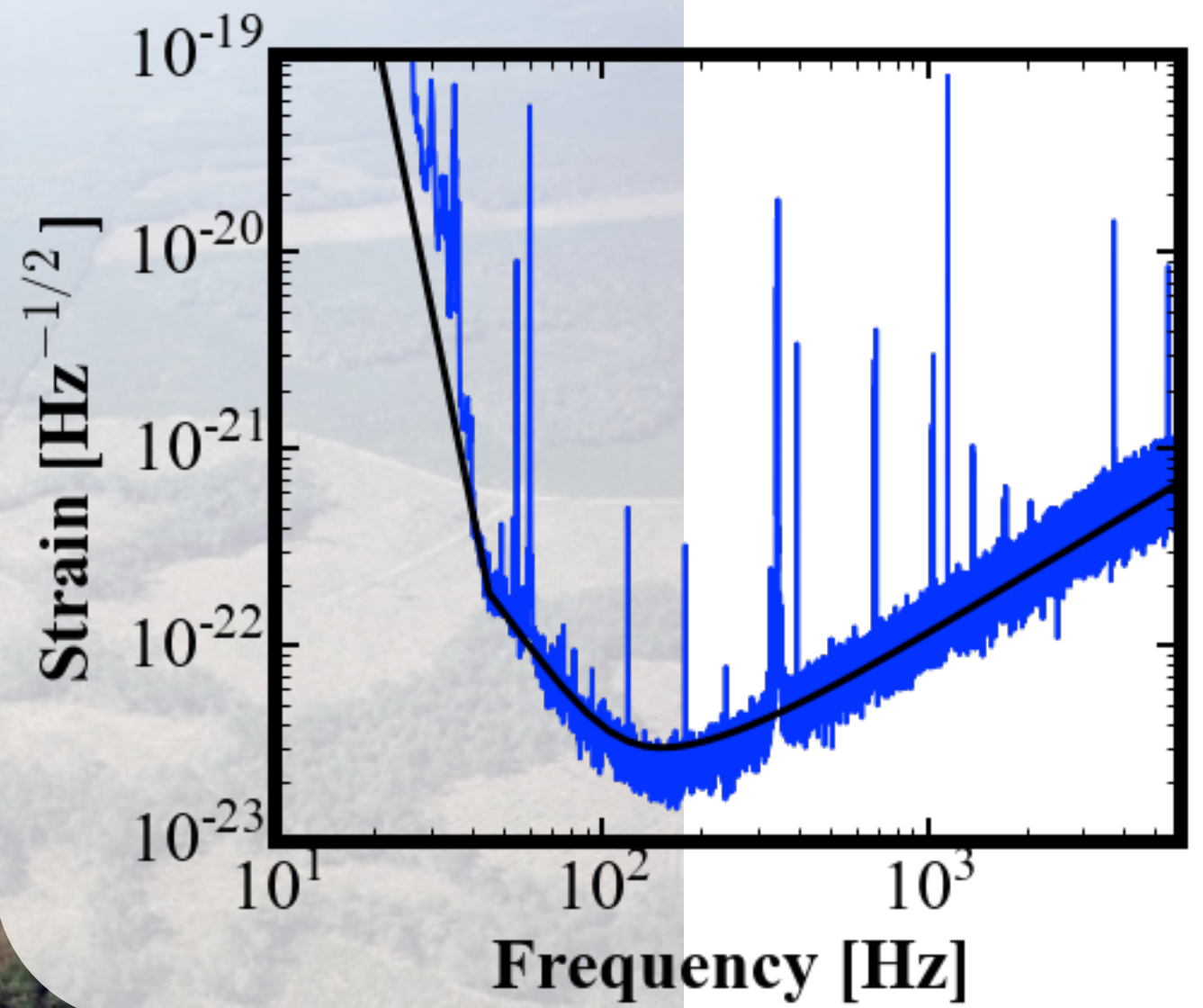
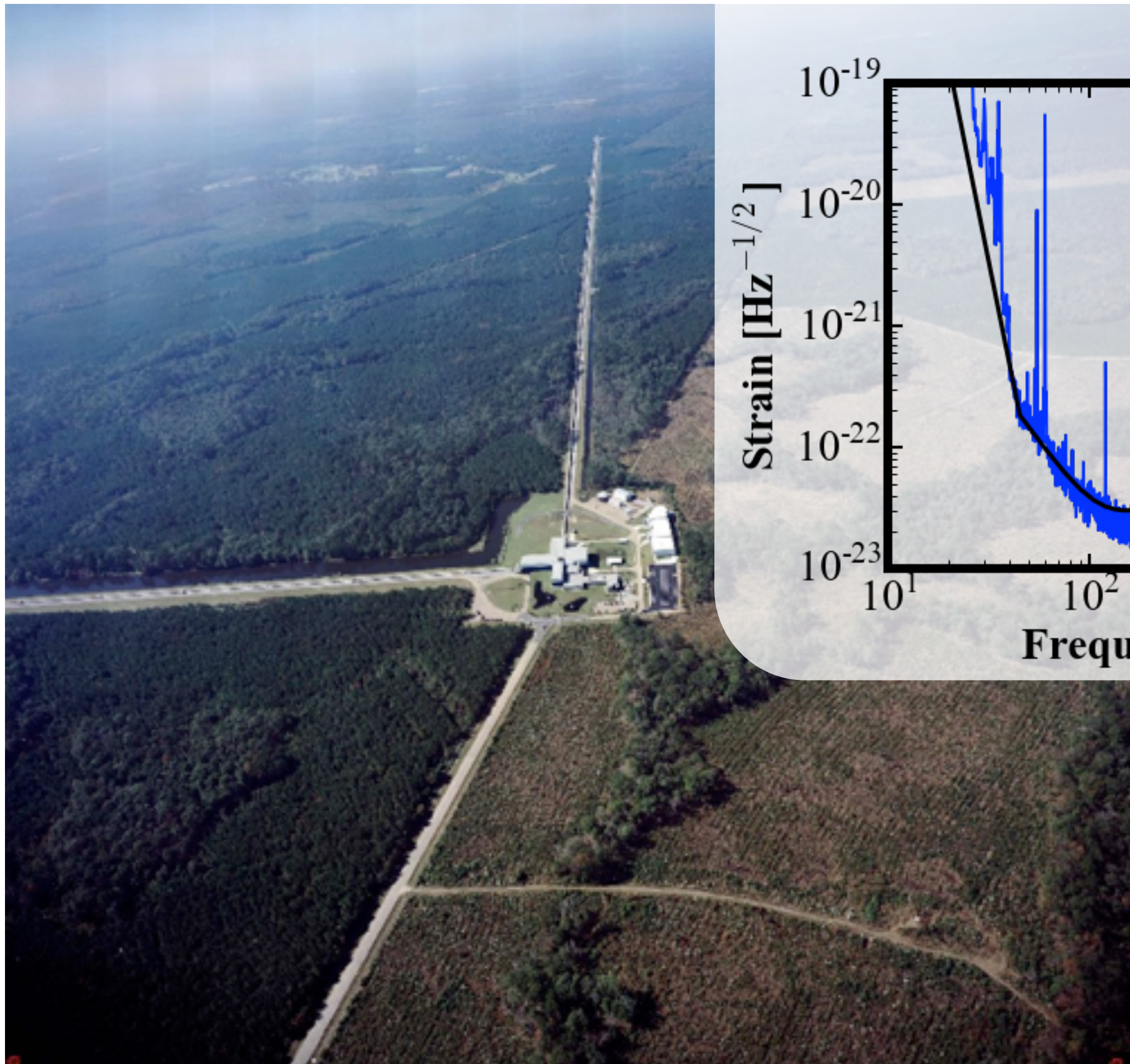


NOT TO SCALE!

→ $\Delta L \sim 10^{-19} \text{ m}$
cf. radius of proton
 $\sim 10^{-15} \text{ m}$

LIGO Livingston

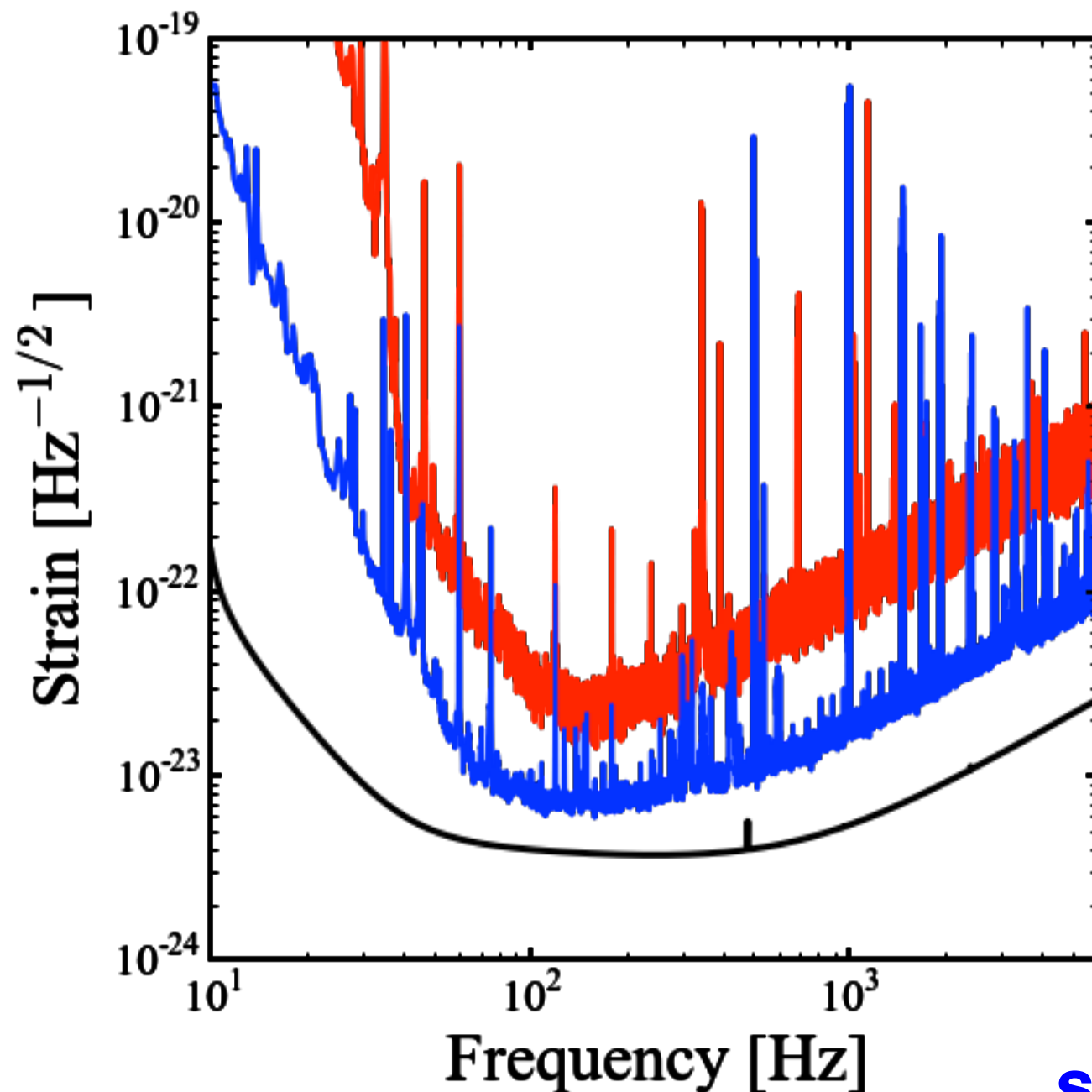
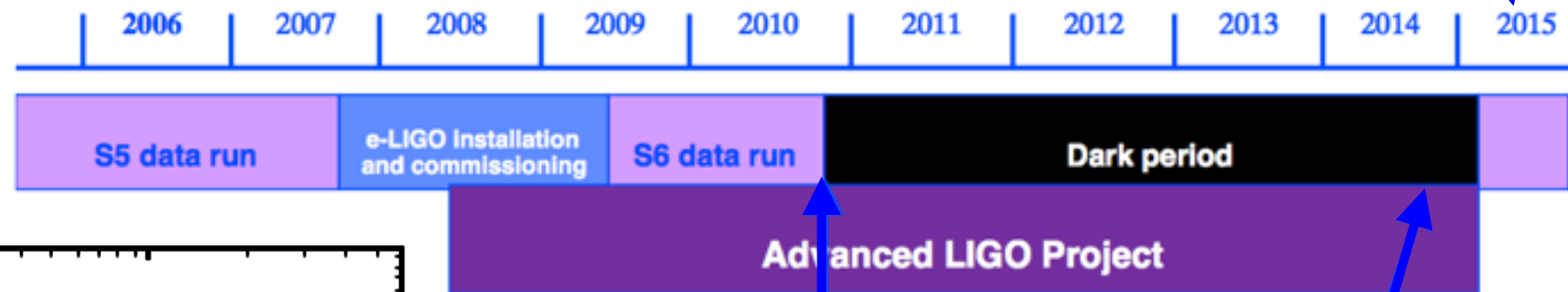




Laser Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory

LIGO

you are
here



AdvLIGO
installation
began

commissioning
& initial data

horizon distance

iLIGO S6 (2010) — 16 Mpc

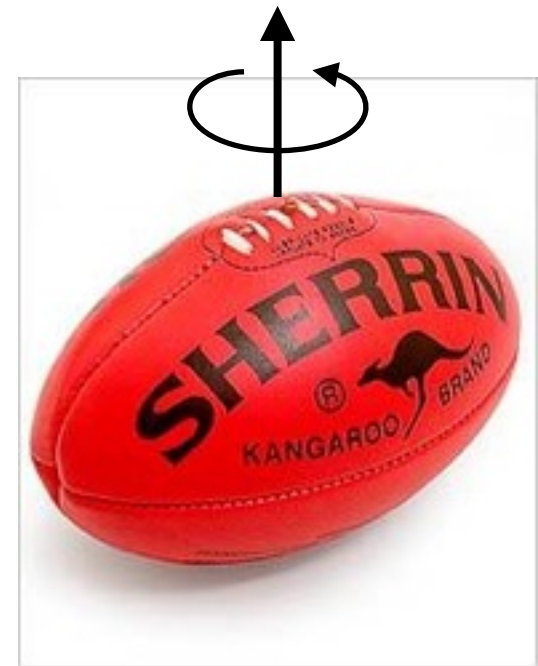
ER7 (June 2015) — 75 Mpc

aLIGO (~2019) — 200 Mpc

**see talks by David McClelland
& Eric Howell: 4pm Tuesday!**

Isolated Neutron Stars

$$h \propto \frac{\epsilon f^2}{D}$$



ϵ due to magnetic or thermoelastic deformations:

Magnetic

e.g., Cutler (2002)

Haskell et al. (2008), PL & Melatos (2013),
Mastrano, PL & Melatos (2014)

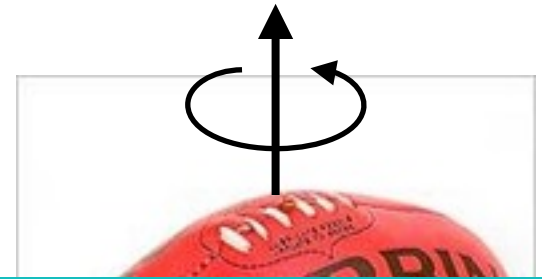
$$\epsilon \sim 10^{-6} \left(\frac{\langle B_{\text{int}} \rangle}{10^{15} \text{ G}} \right)$$

Thermoelastic

e.g. Ushomirsky, Cutler & Bildsten (2000)

5% temperature
gradient $\longrightarrow \epsilon \sim 10^{-7}$

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A nuclear physics experiment!

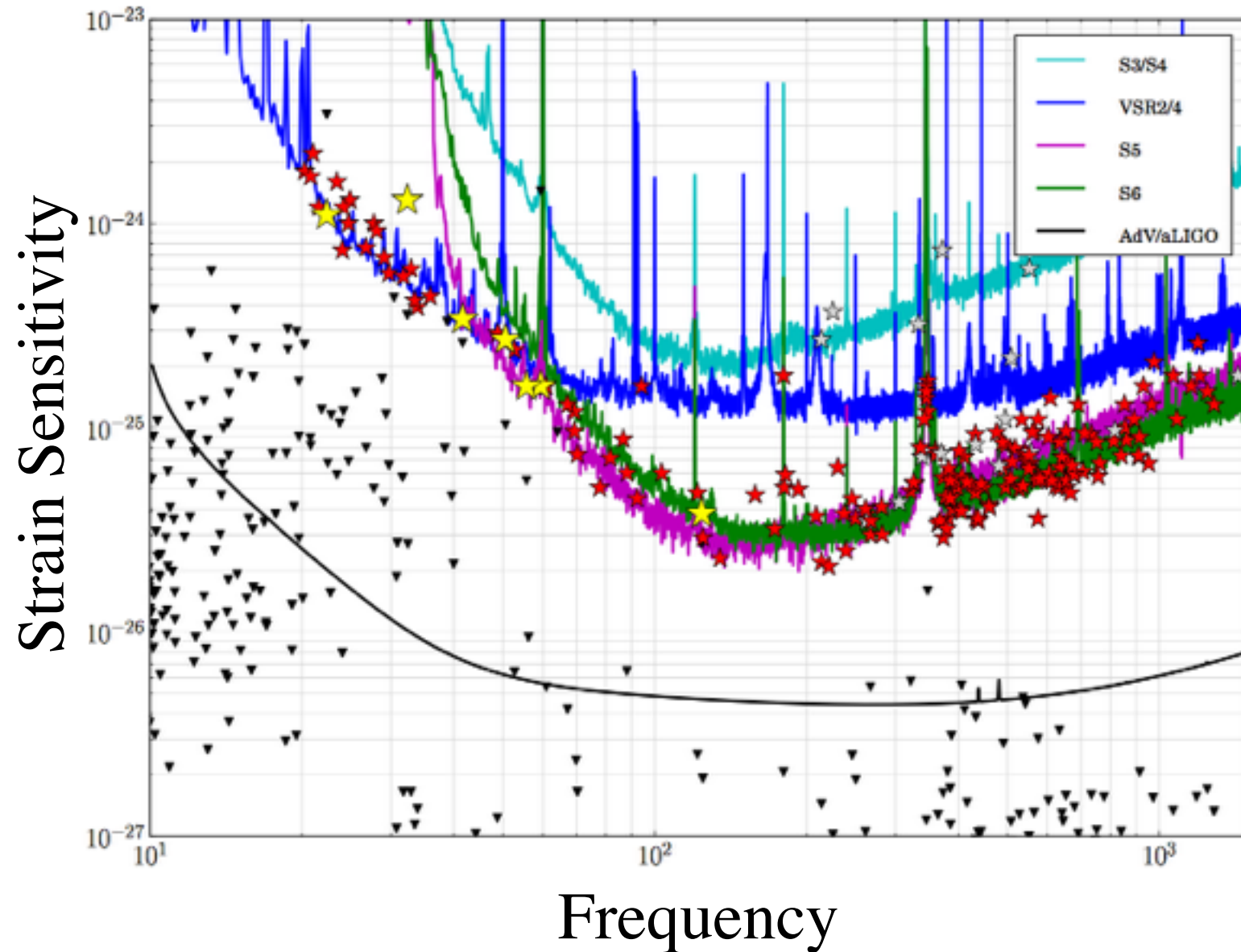
$$\epsilon^{2SC} \sim 8.0 \times 10^{-5} \left(\frac{\langle B_{\text{int}} \rangle}{10^{15} \text{ G}} \right)$$

$$\epsilon^{CFL} \sim 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \left(\frac{\langle B_{\text{int}} \rangle}{10^{15} \text{ G}} \right)$$

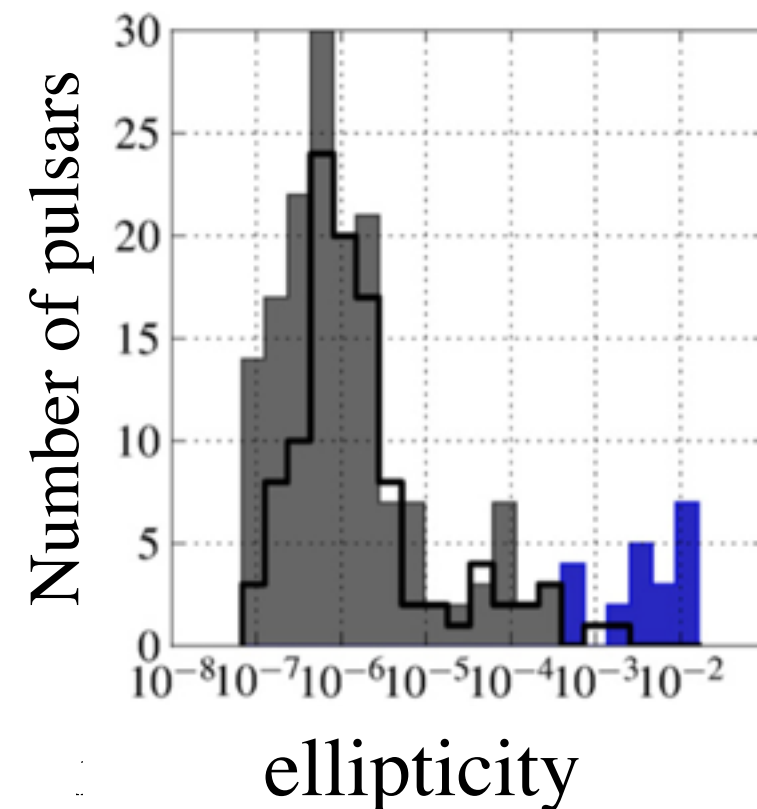
Owen (2004), Glampedakis et al. (2012)

Known Radio Pulsars

Aasi et al. (2014)



Crab Nebula

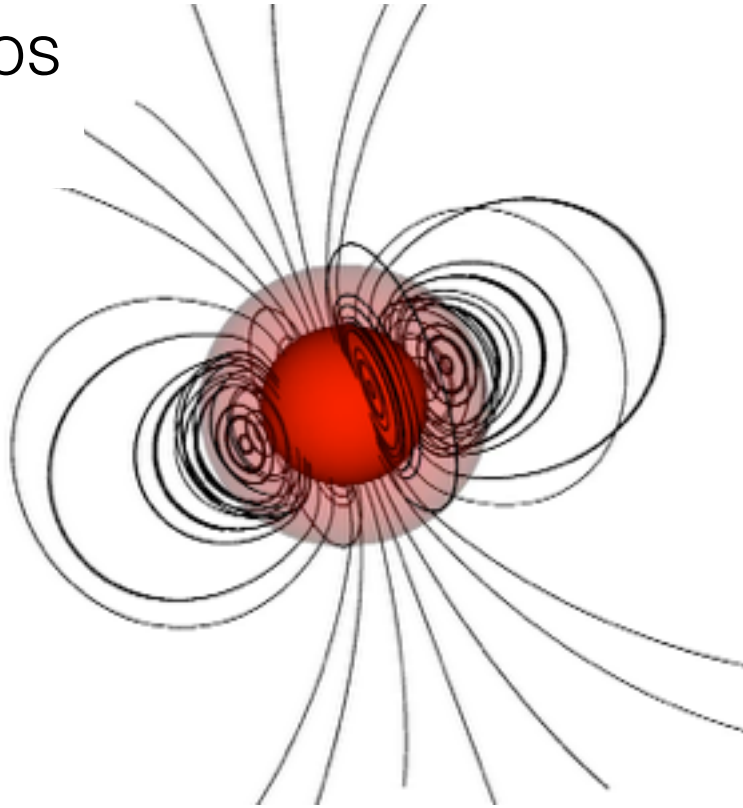


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Young Neutron Stars — SN remnants

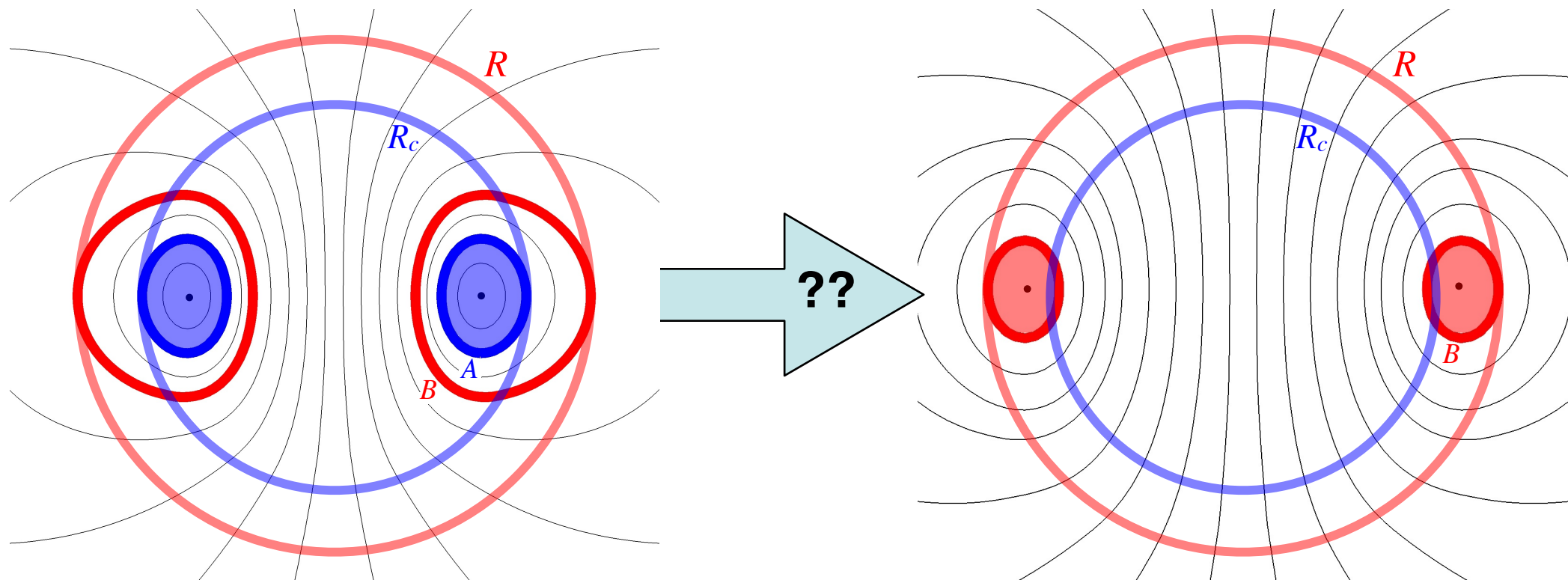
Characterised by complex, dynamic magnetic field evolution

PL & Melatos
(2013)



**Magnetic dynamo grows
B field to $\sim 10^{15} - 10^{16}$ G**

e.g., Thompson & Duncan (1995)

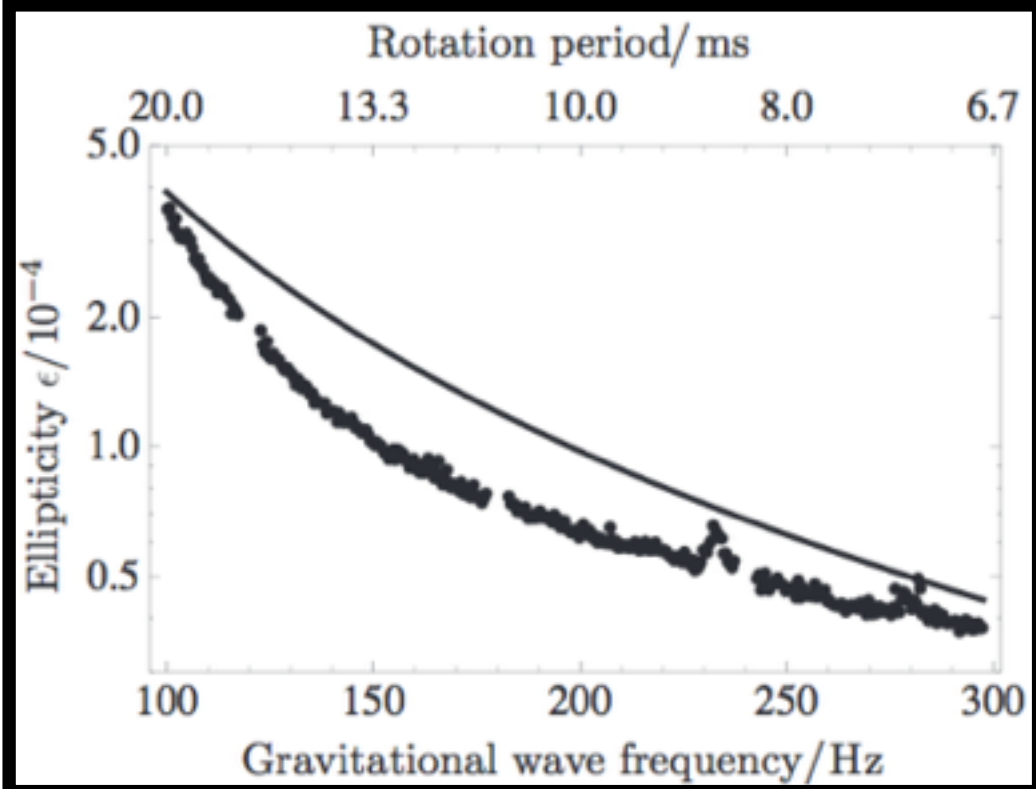
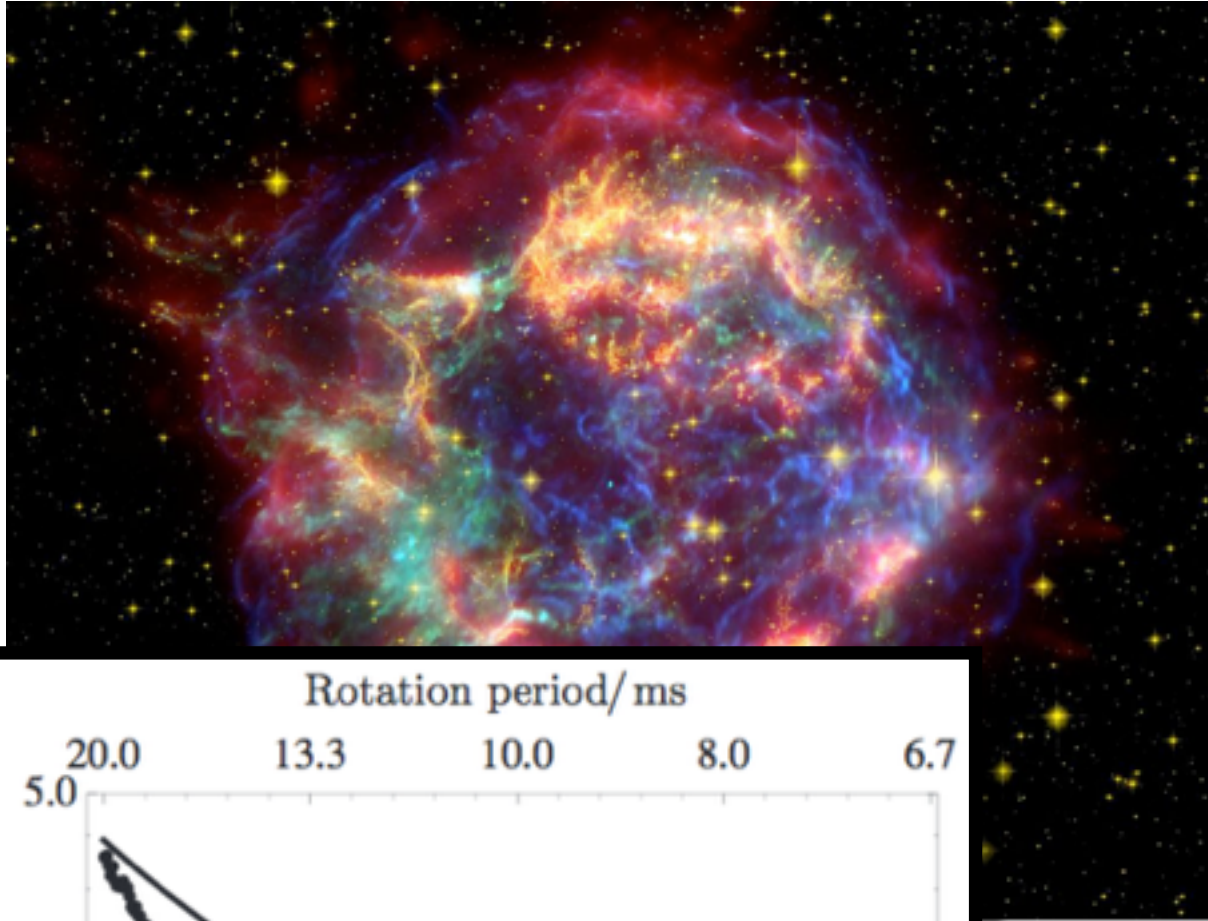


Glampedakis & PL (2015)

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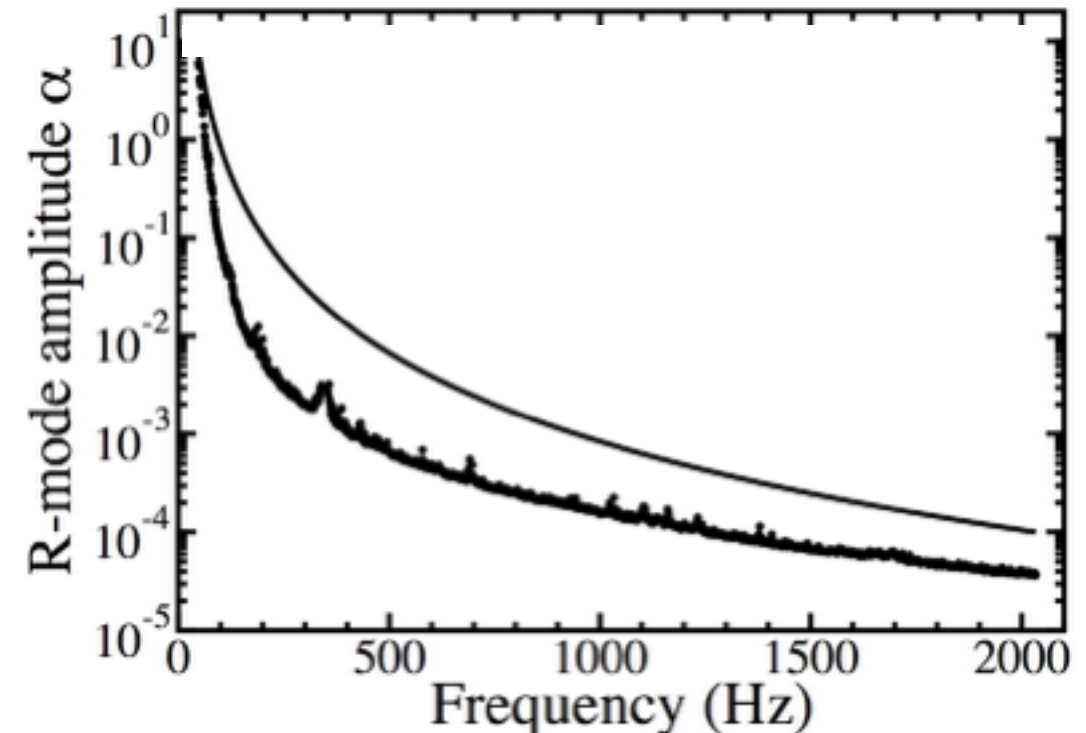
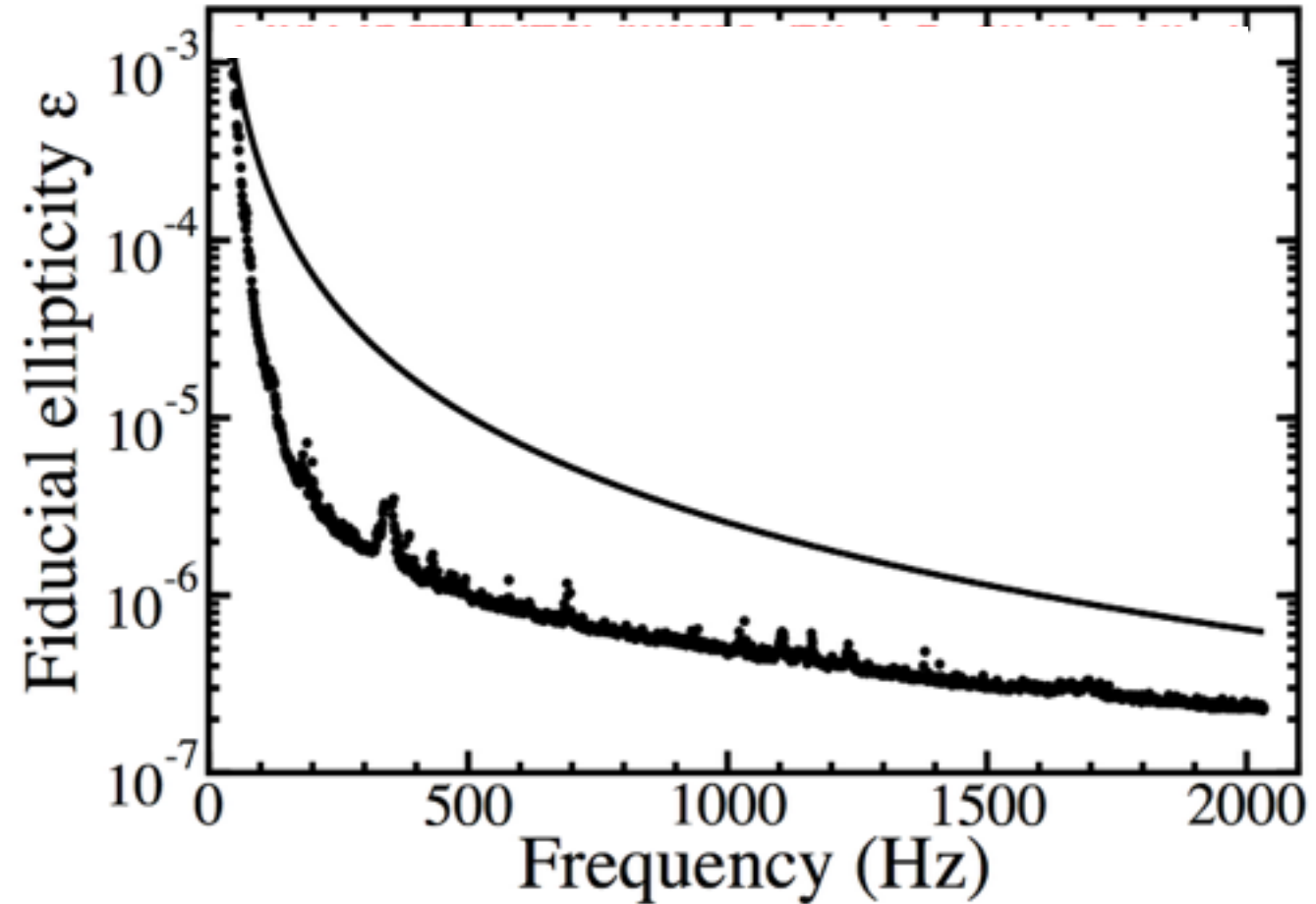
Cassiopeia A

Wette et al. (2008); Abadie et al. (2010)

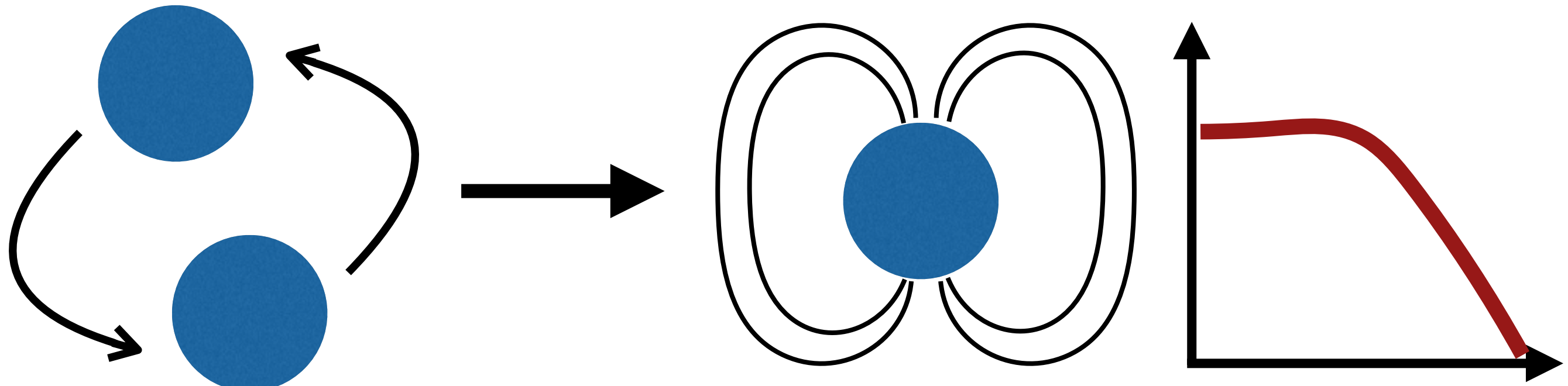


Vela Jr.

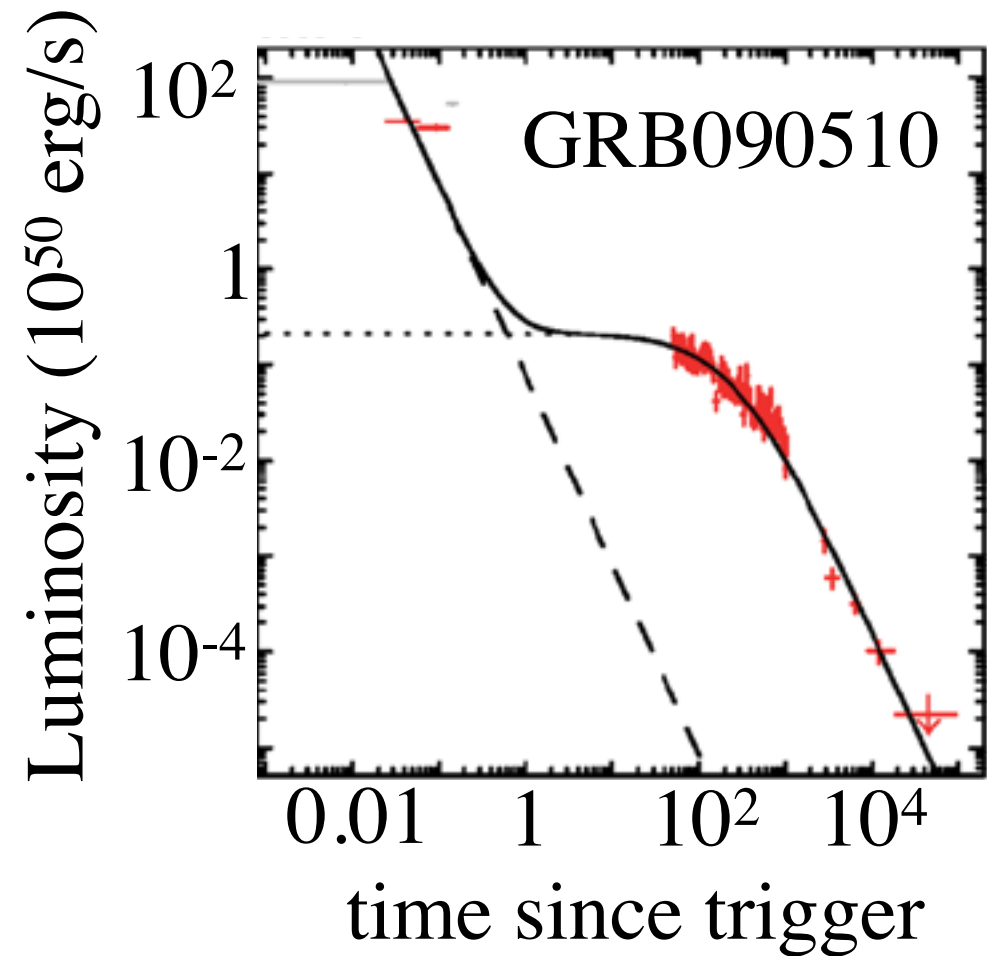
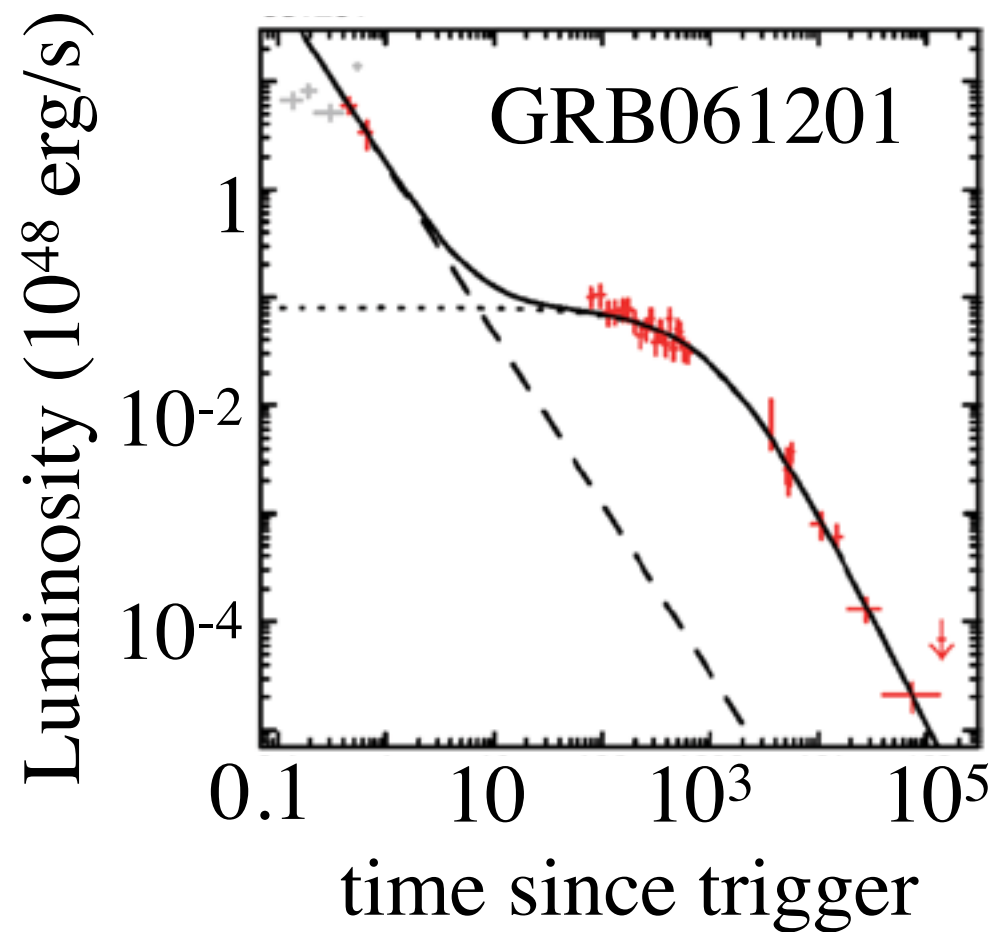
Aasi et al. (2014)



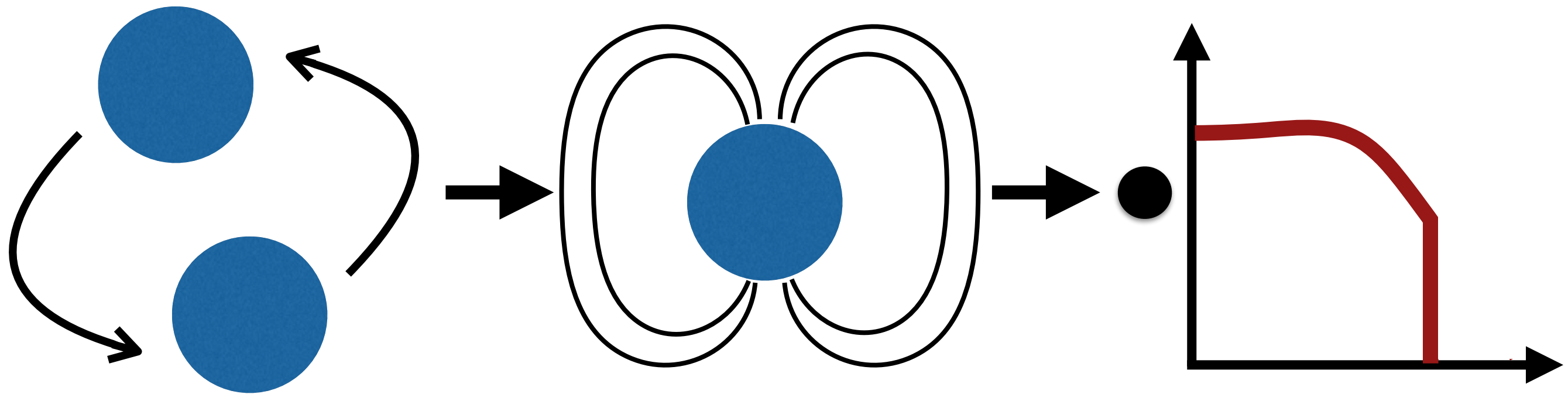
Very young neutron stars — short GRBs



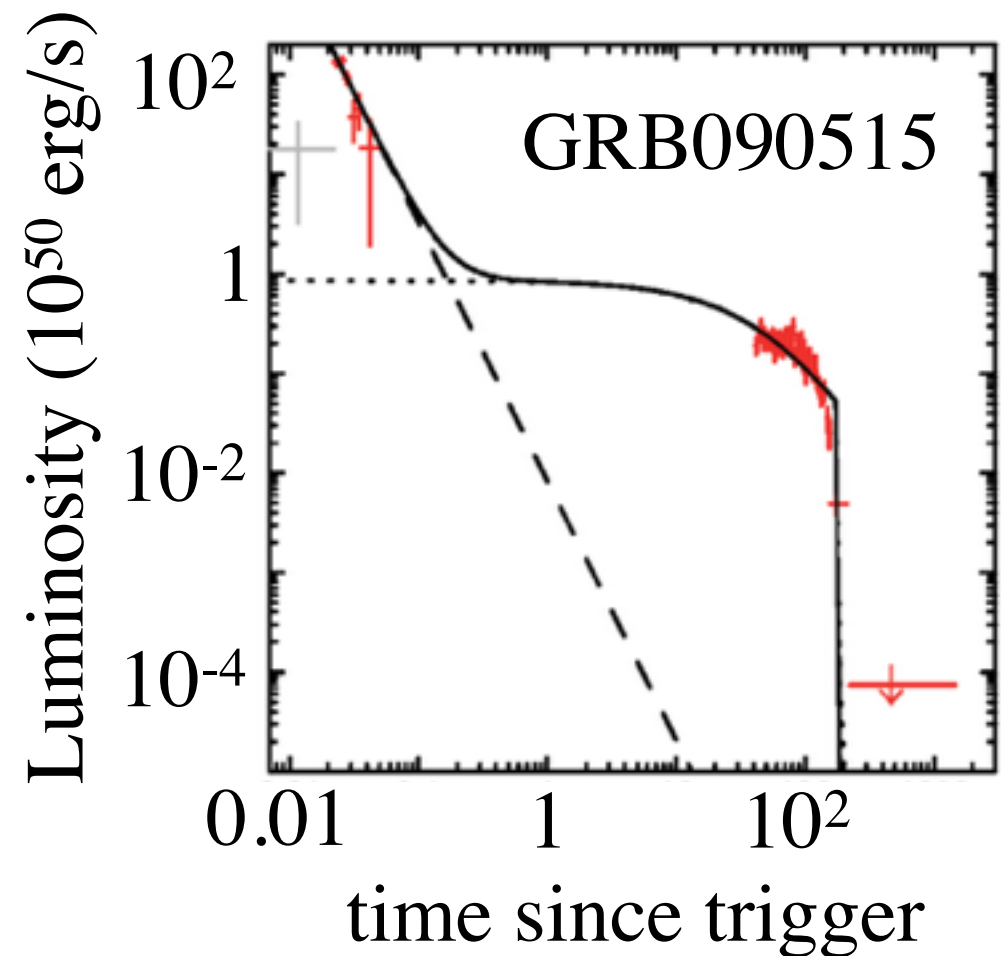
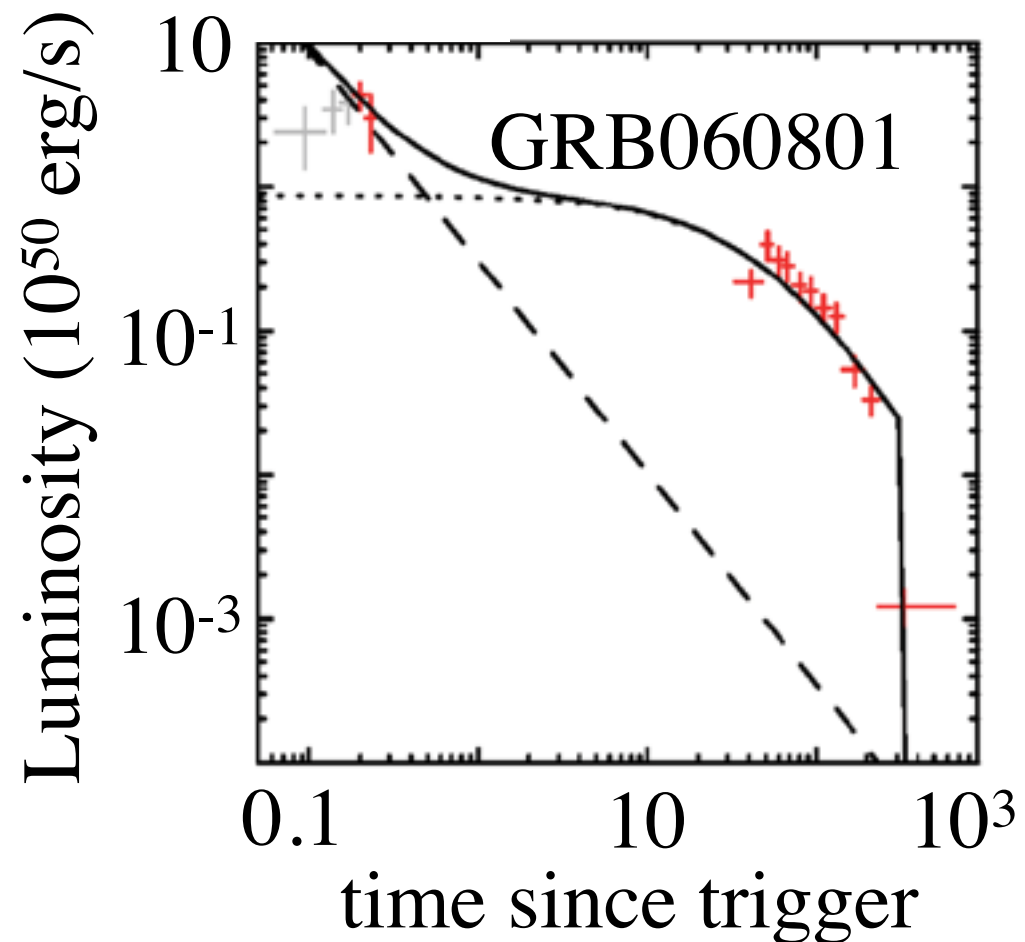
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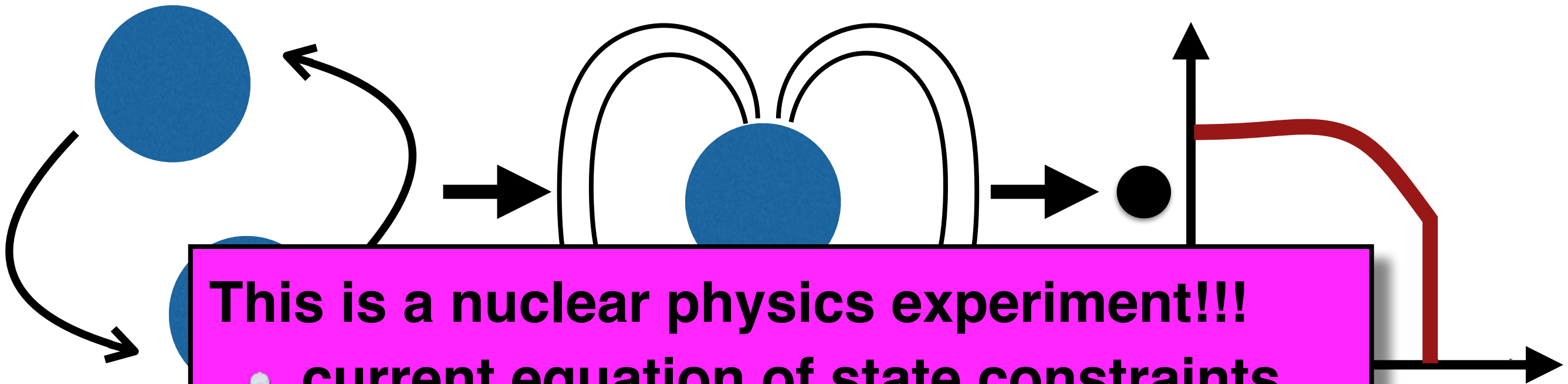
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This is a nuclear physics experiment!!!

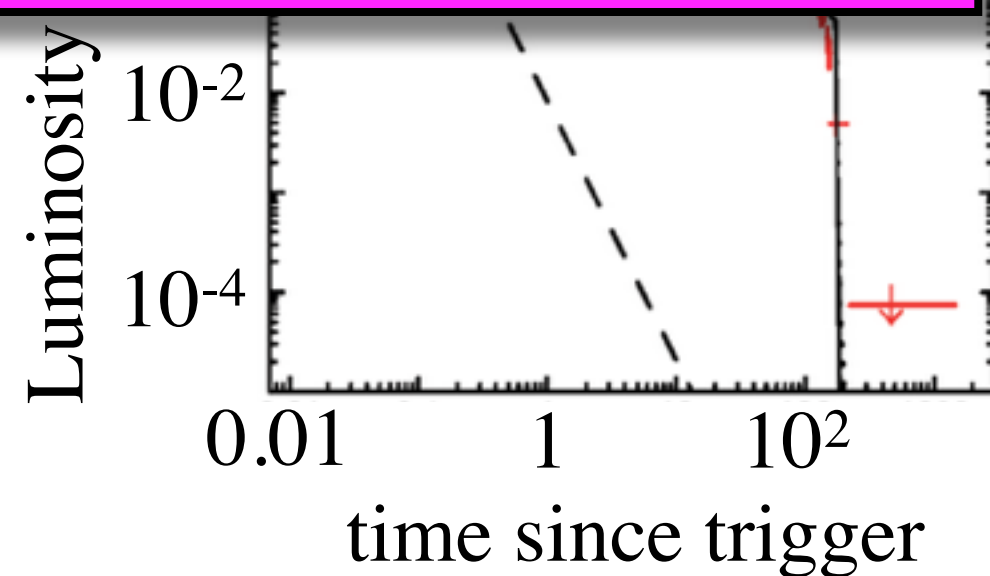
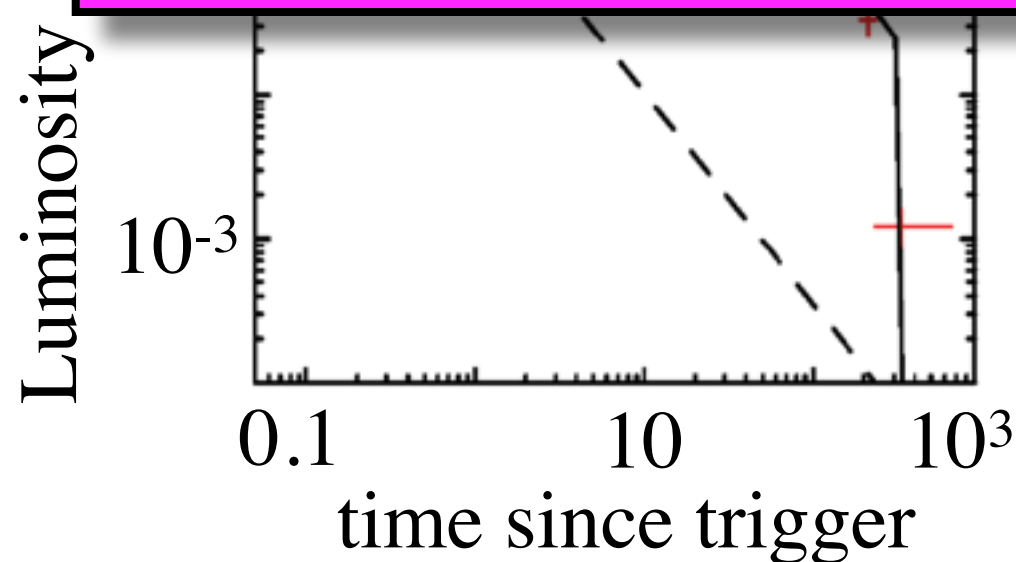
- **current equation of state constraints**
- **LIGO observations of inspiral will help!**

PL (2015)

PL et al. (2014)

- **FRB progenitors?**

Zhang (2014), Ravi & PL (2014)



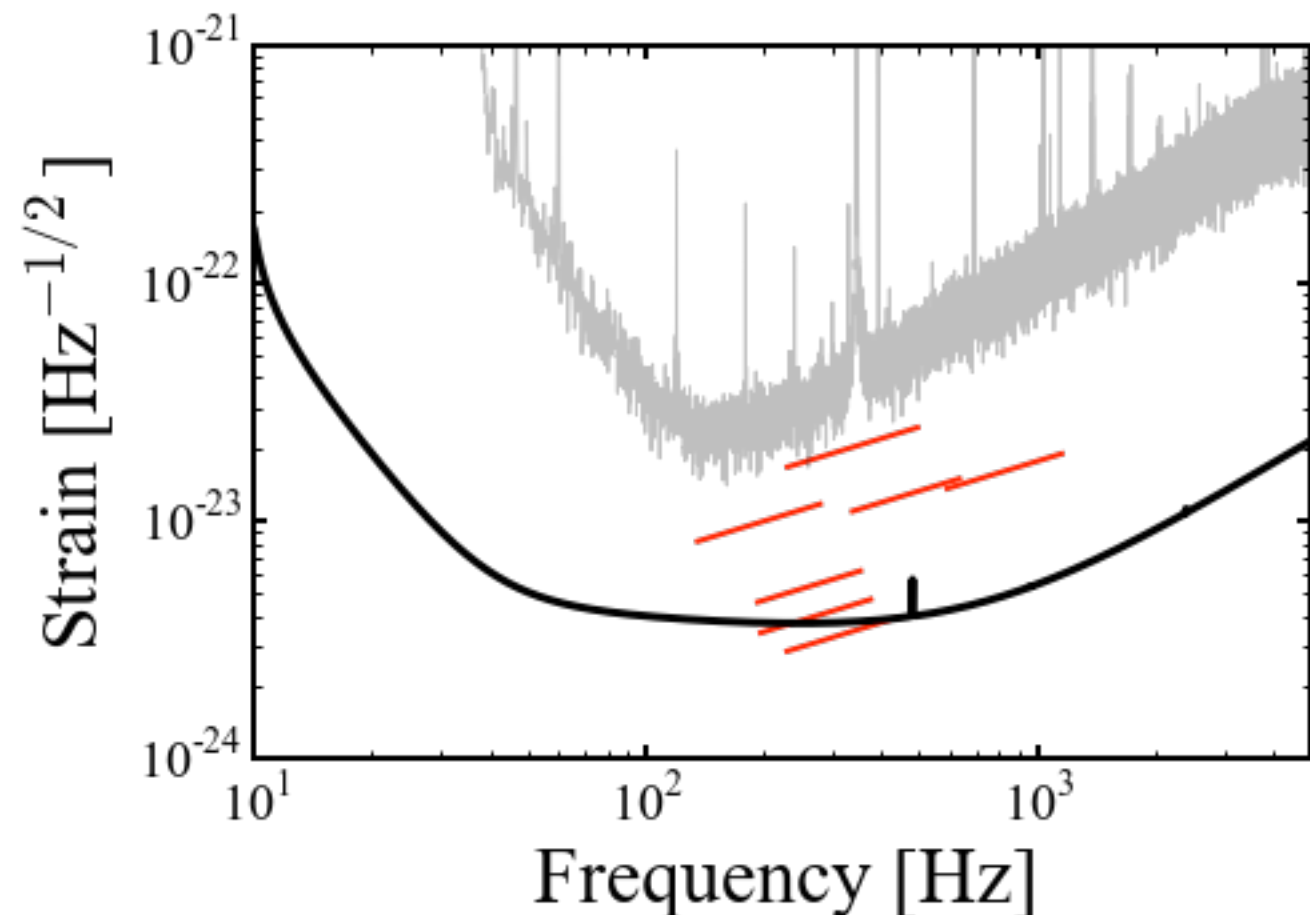
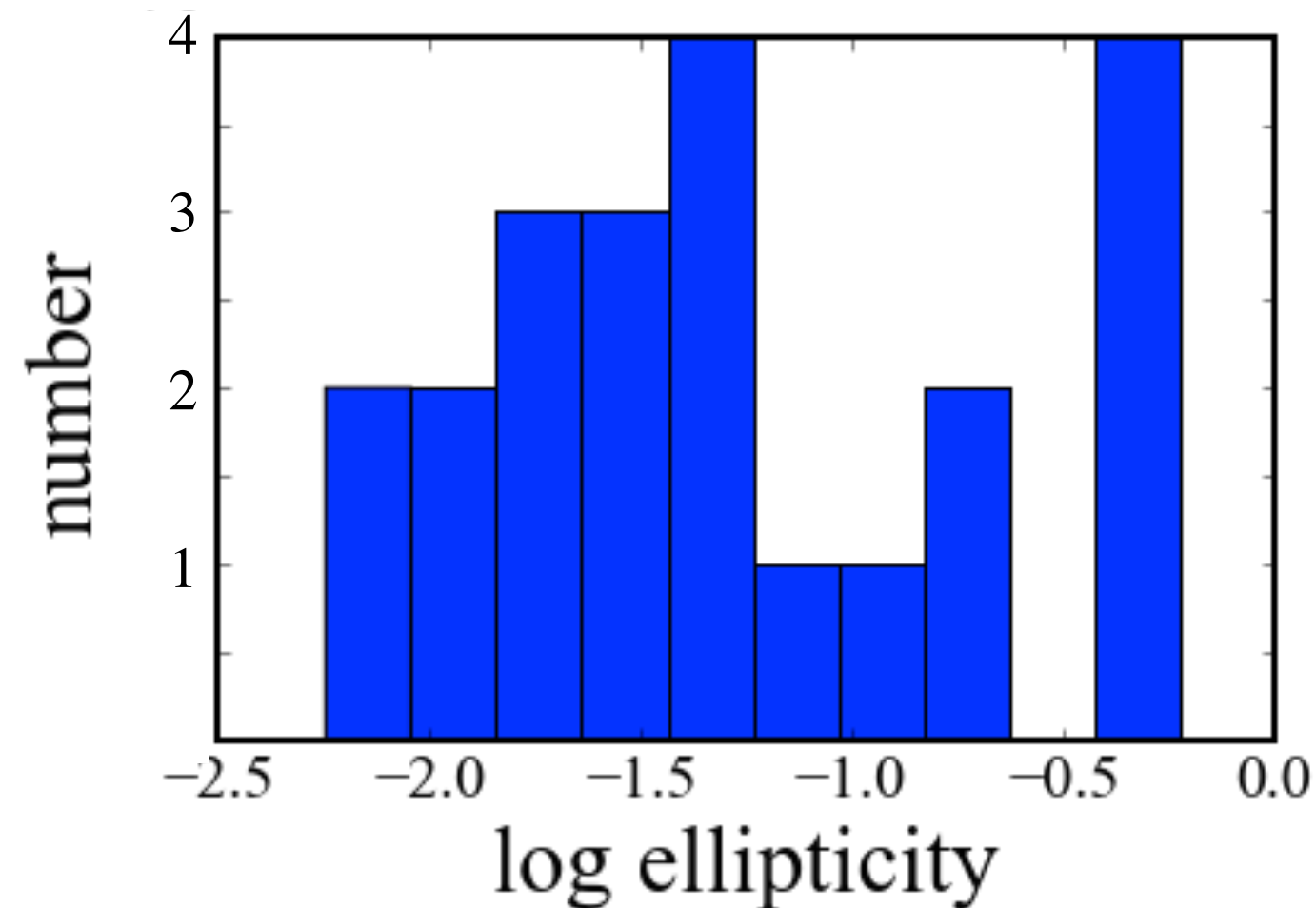
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protoneutron stars radiate through:

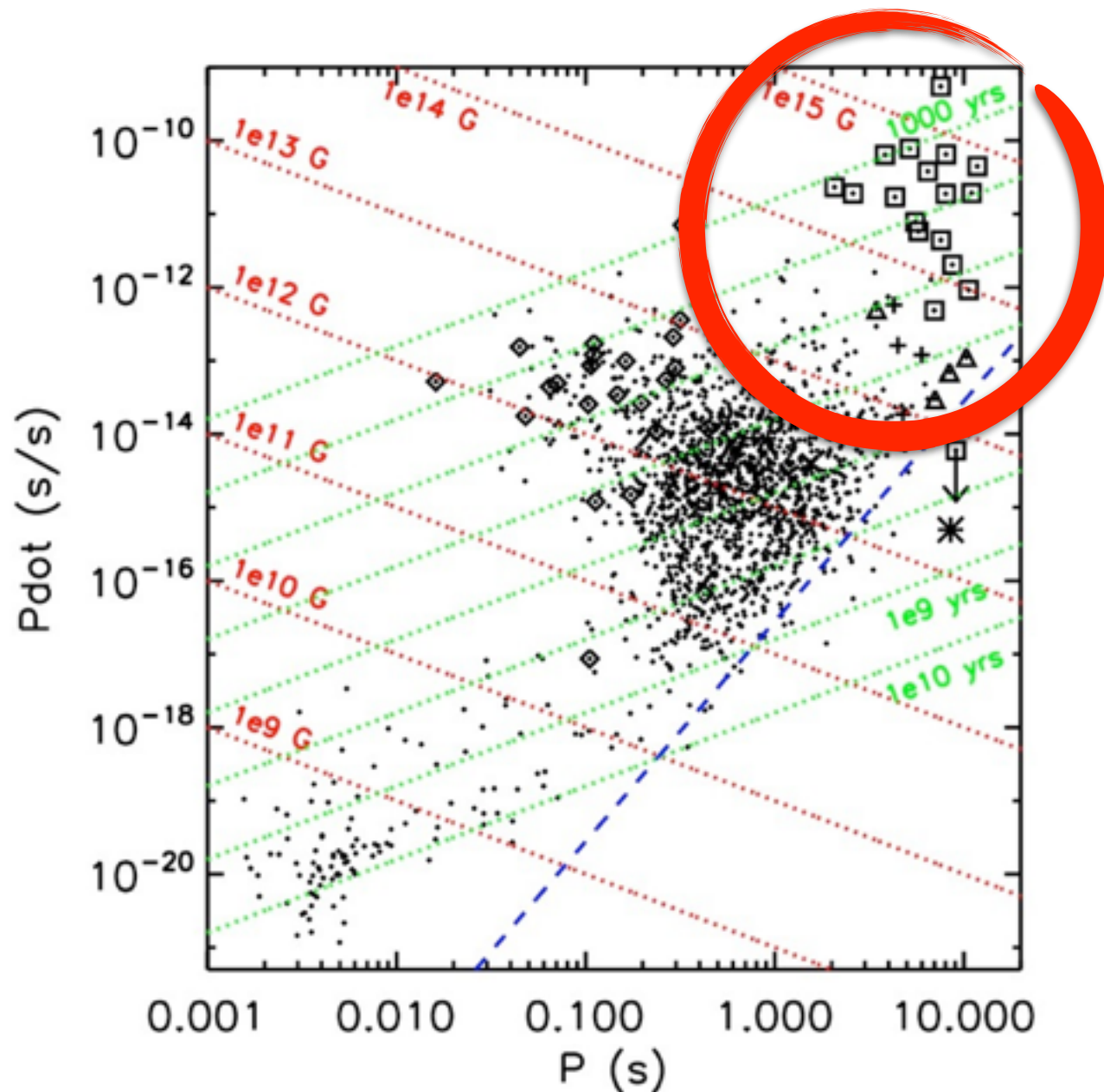
- magnetic field-induced ellipticity (e.g., Fan et al. 2013, Dall’Osso et al. 2015)
- secular bar modes (e.g., Corsi & Meszaros 2009)

Can constrain neutron star physics and GW emission from light curve only!

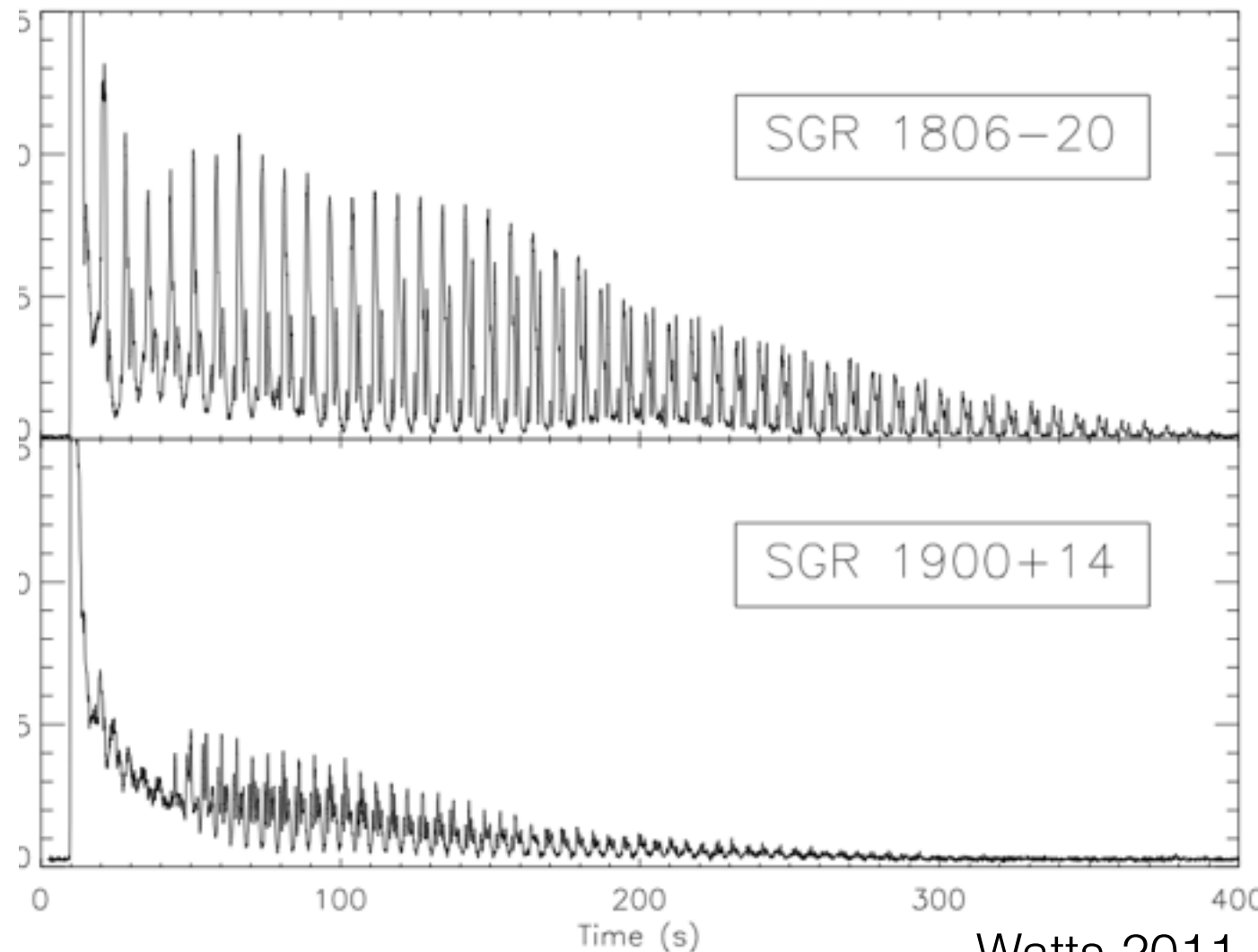
(PL 2015; in prep)



Magnetar *Giant* Flares



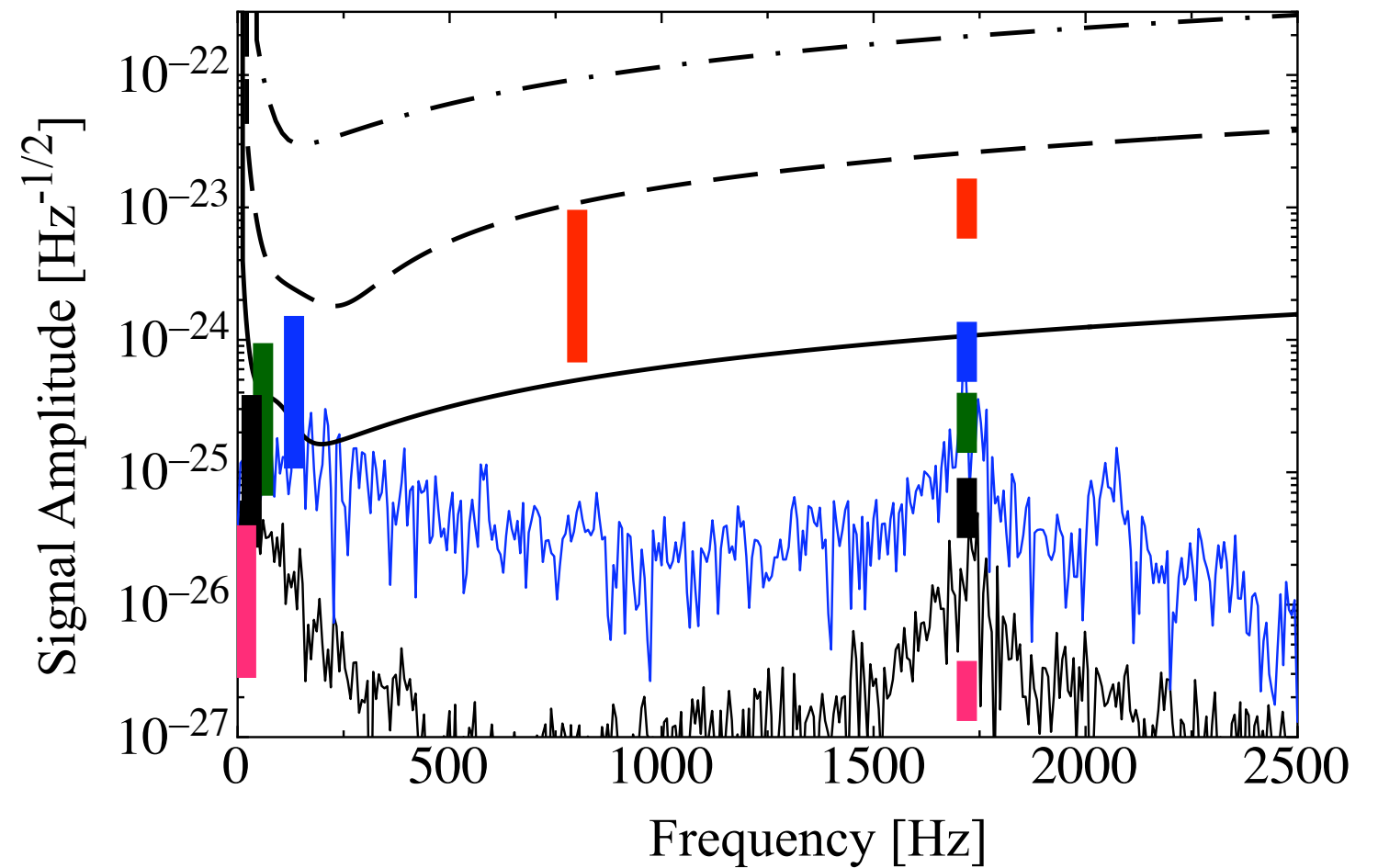
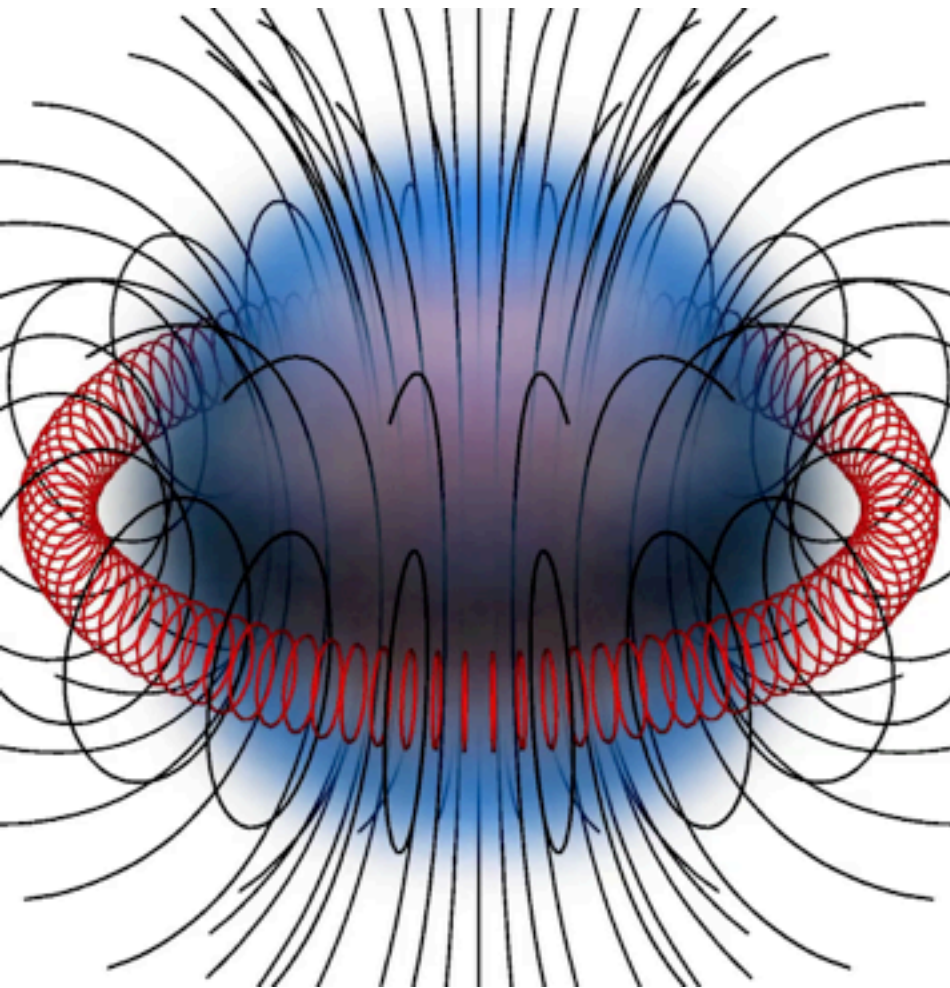
3 **Giant Flares** observed
with peak luminosities
 $\sim 10^{47}$ erg s^{-1}



Watts 2011

“The PCA is **completely saturated** in the peak of the flares, despite the fact that neither event is on-axis for the telescope”

Magnetar *Giant* Flares



PL et al. (2011, 2012)
Zink, PL & Kokkotas (2012)
Levin & van Hoven (2011)

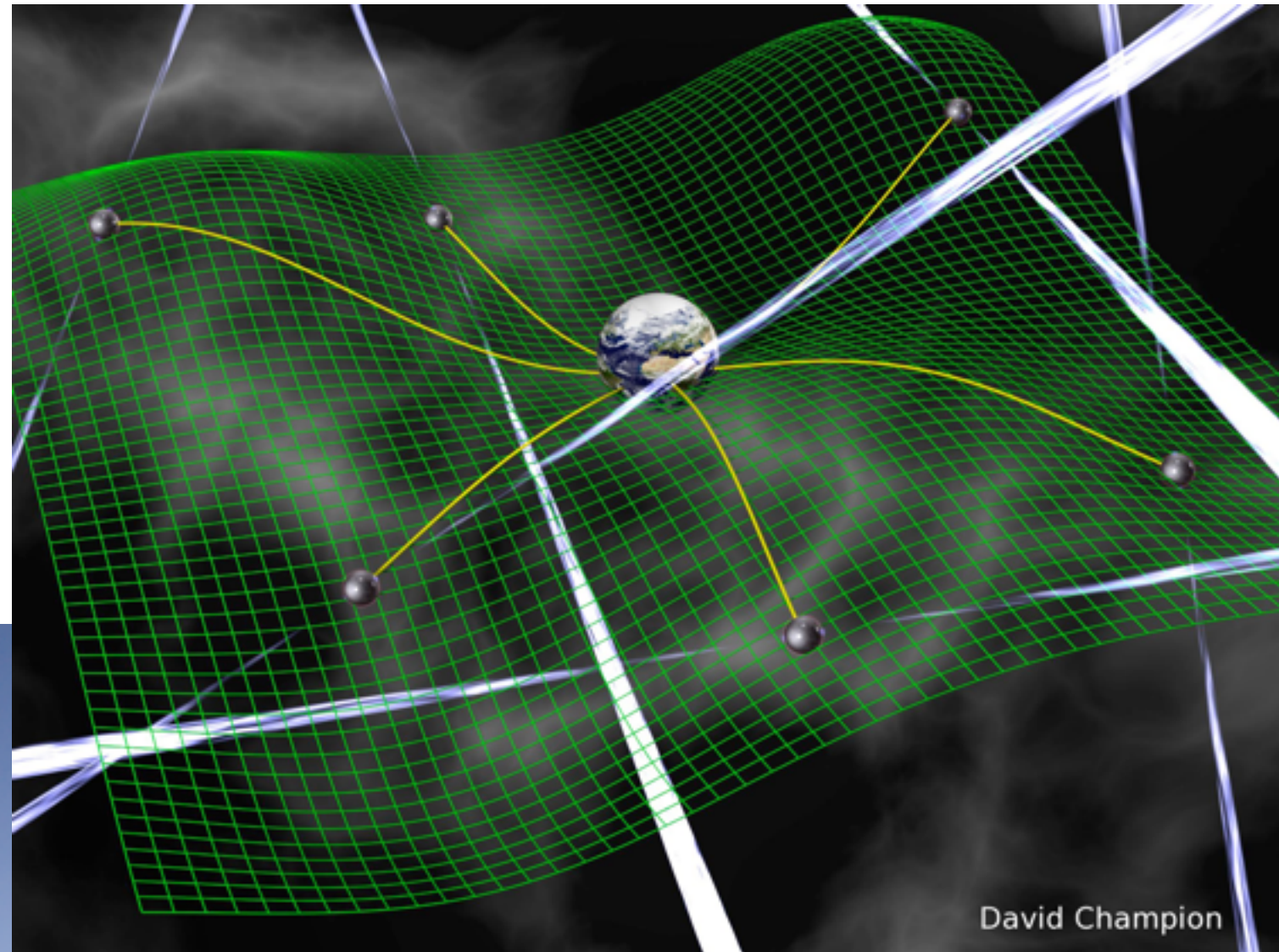
$$E_{\text{gw}} \sim 10^{36} \left(\frac{B}{10^{15} \text{ G}} \right)^{5.8} \text{ erg}$$

$$E_{\text{gw}}^{\text{obs}} \lesssim 3 \times 10^{44} \text{ erg}$$

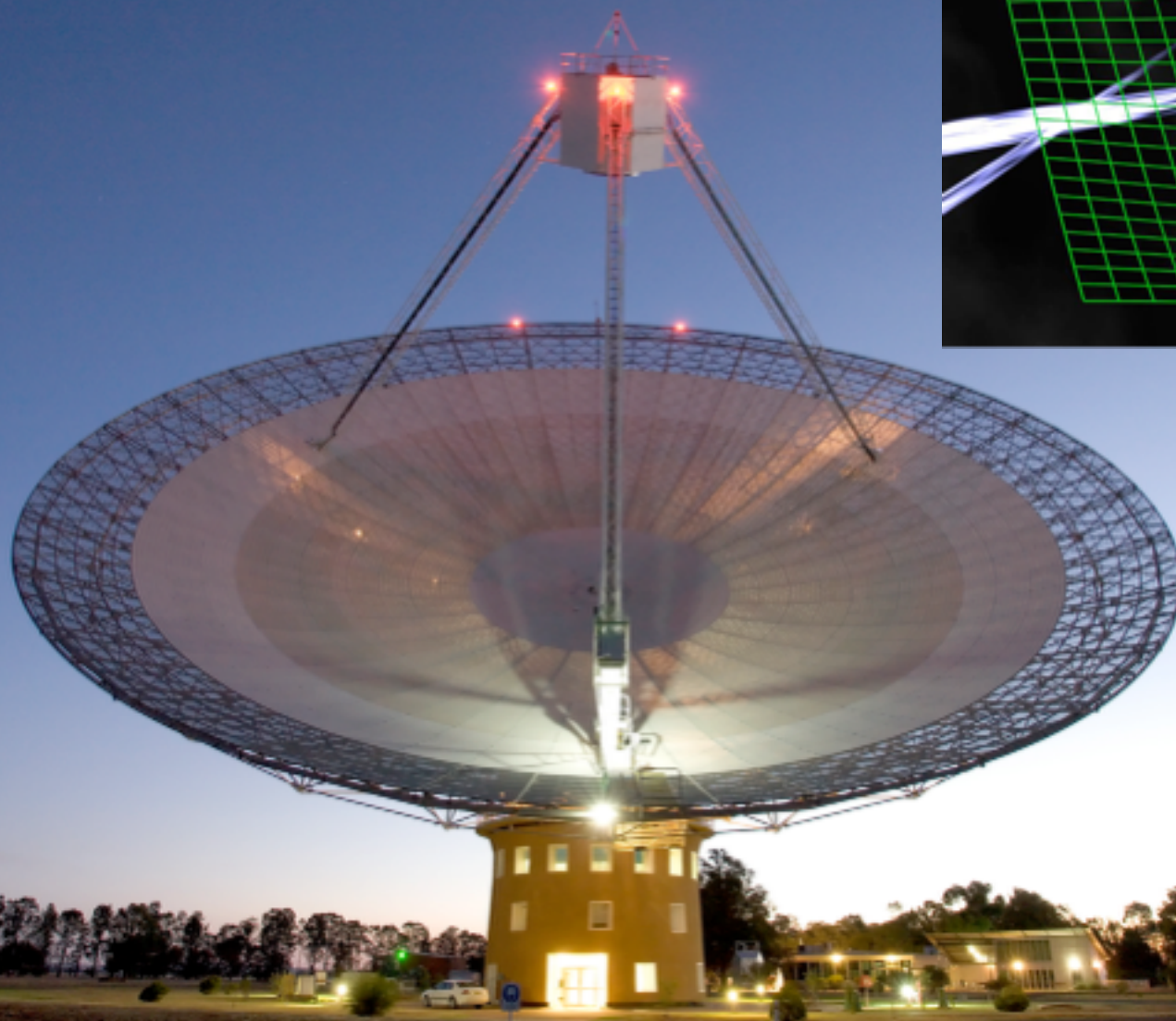
(Abadie et al., 2010)

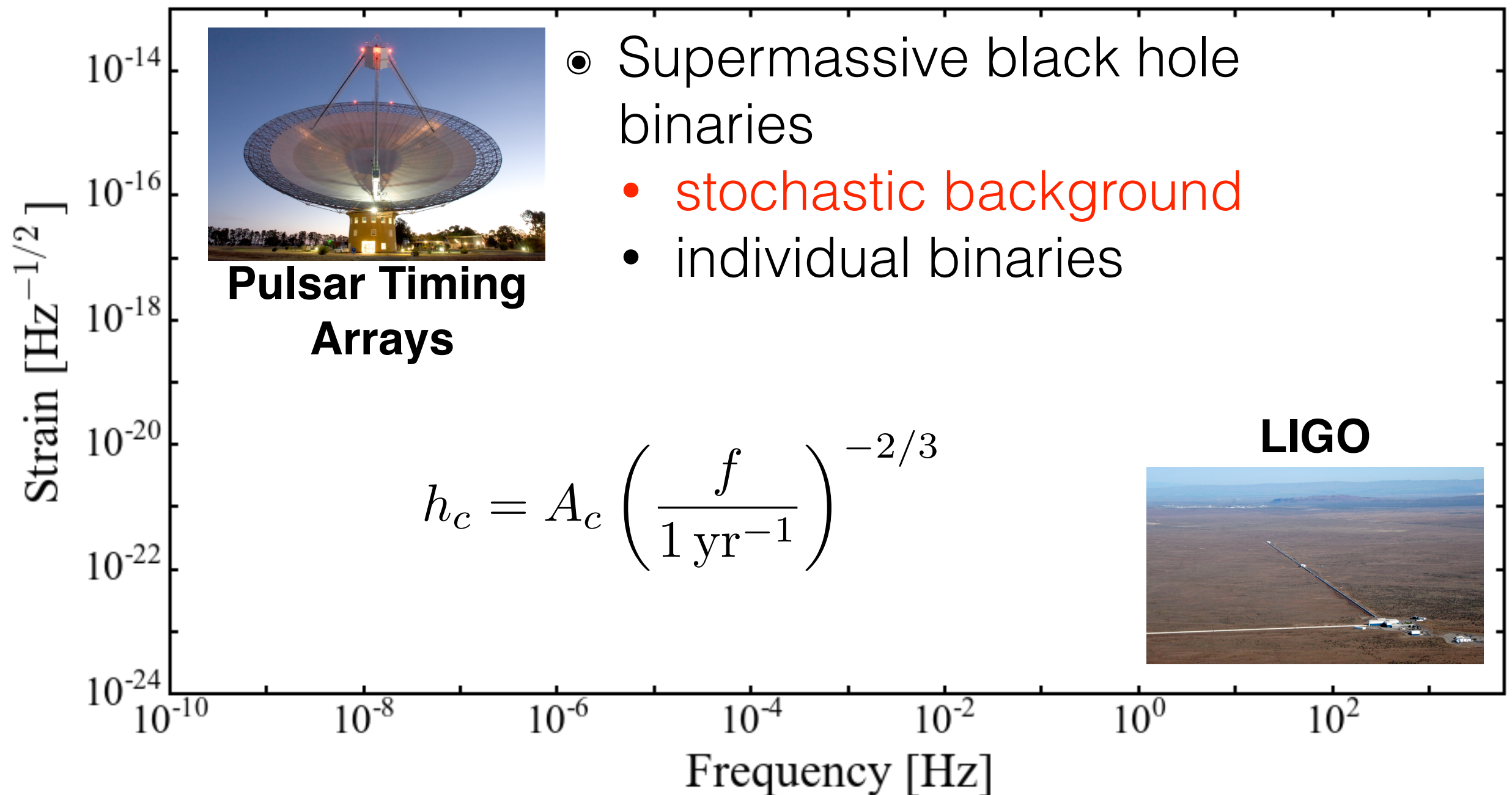
Conclusions

- **Advanced LIGO coming online in 2015**
- First detections likely from compact binary inspirals
- Many possible gravitational wave sources from isolated neutron stars
 - (many not covered here)

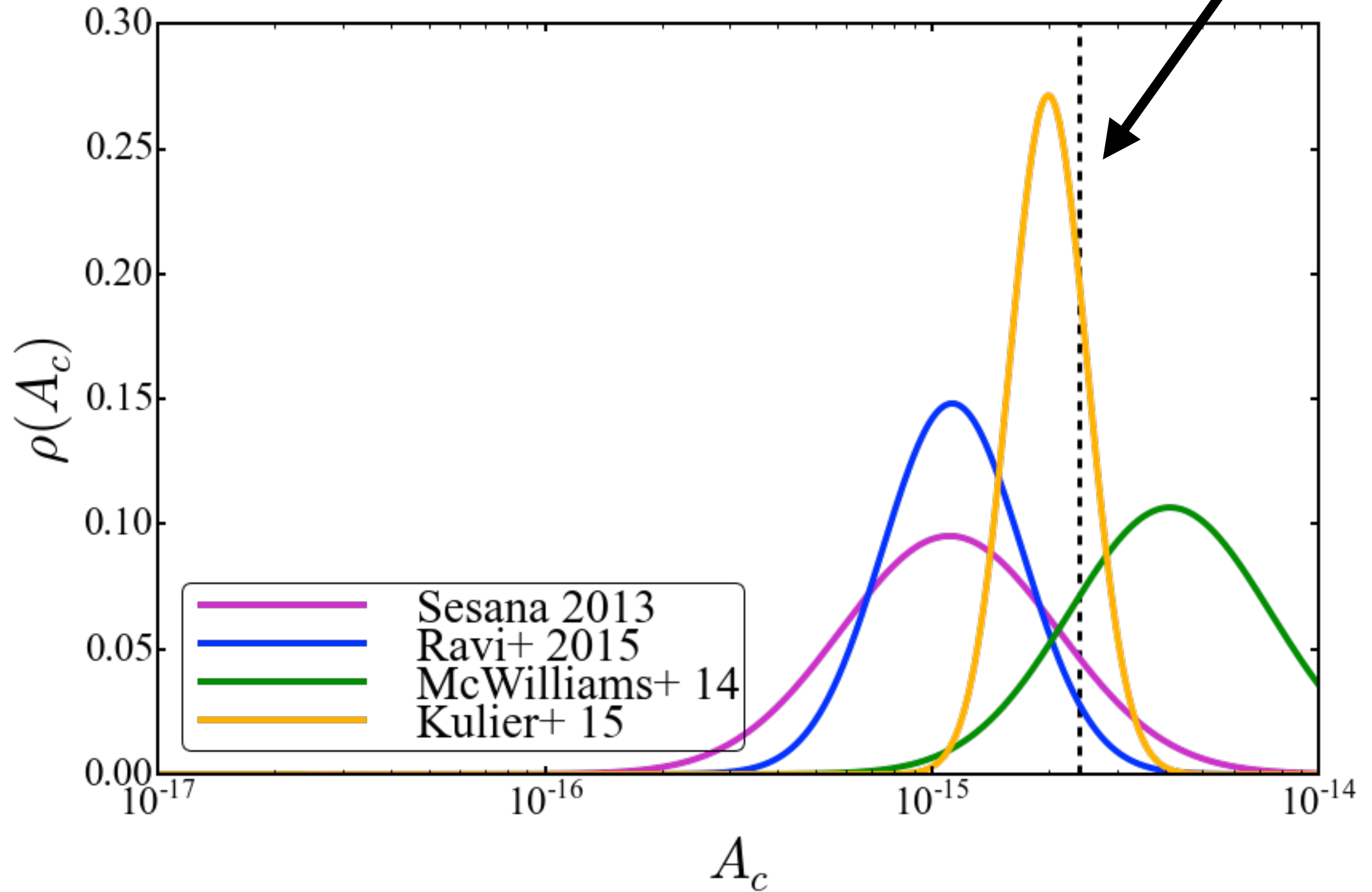


David Champion





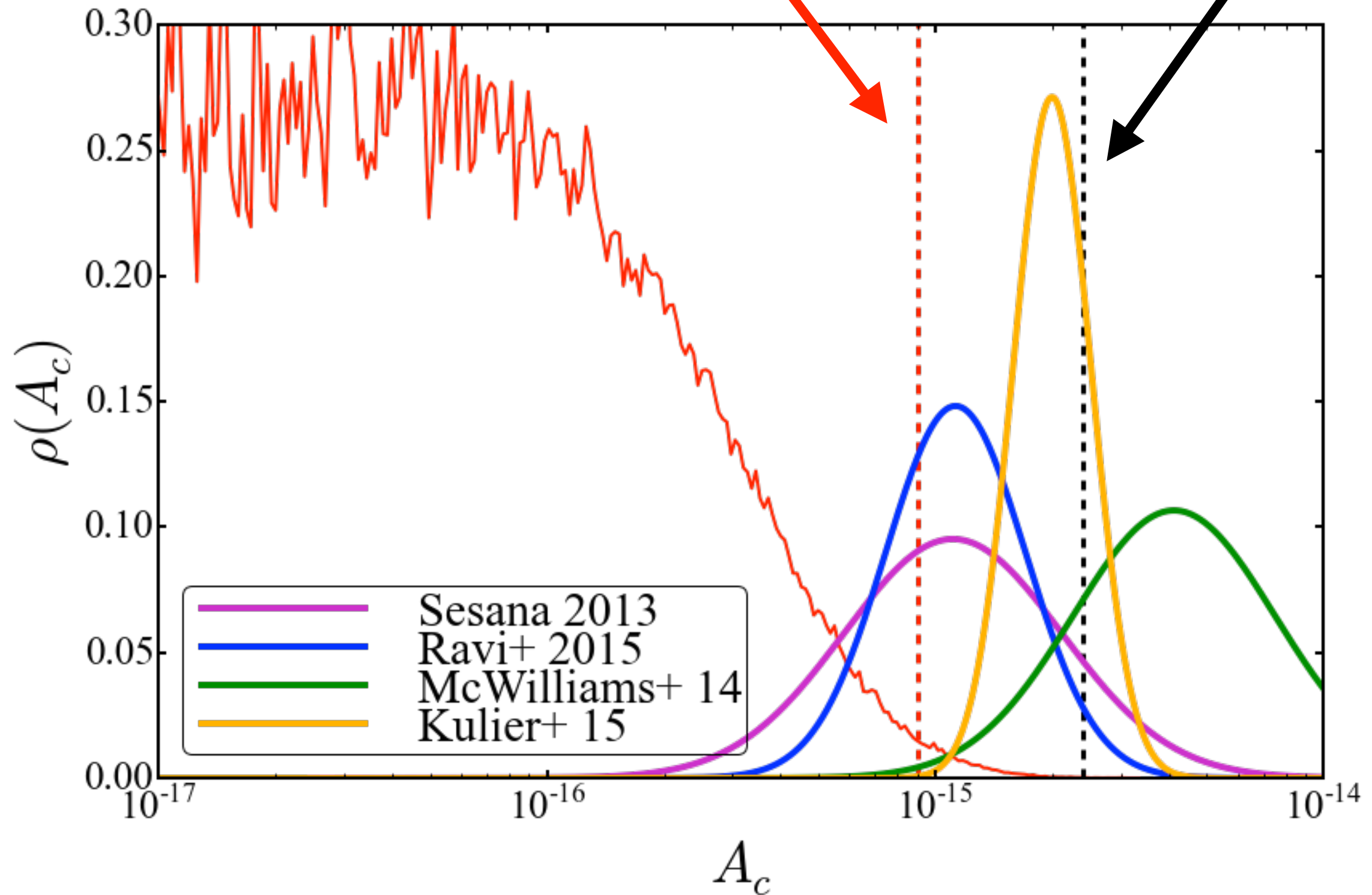
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Shannon, Ravi, Lentati, PL, et al., 2015 (submitted)

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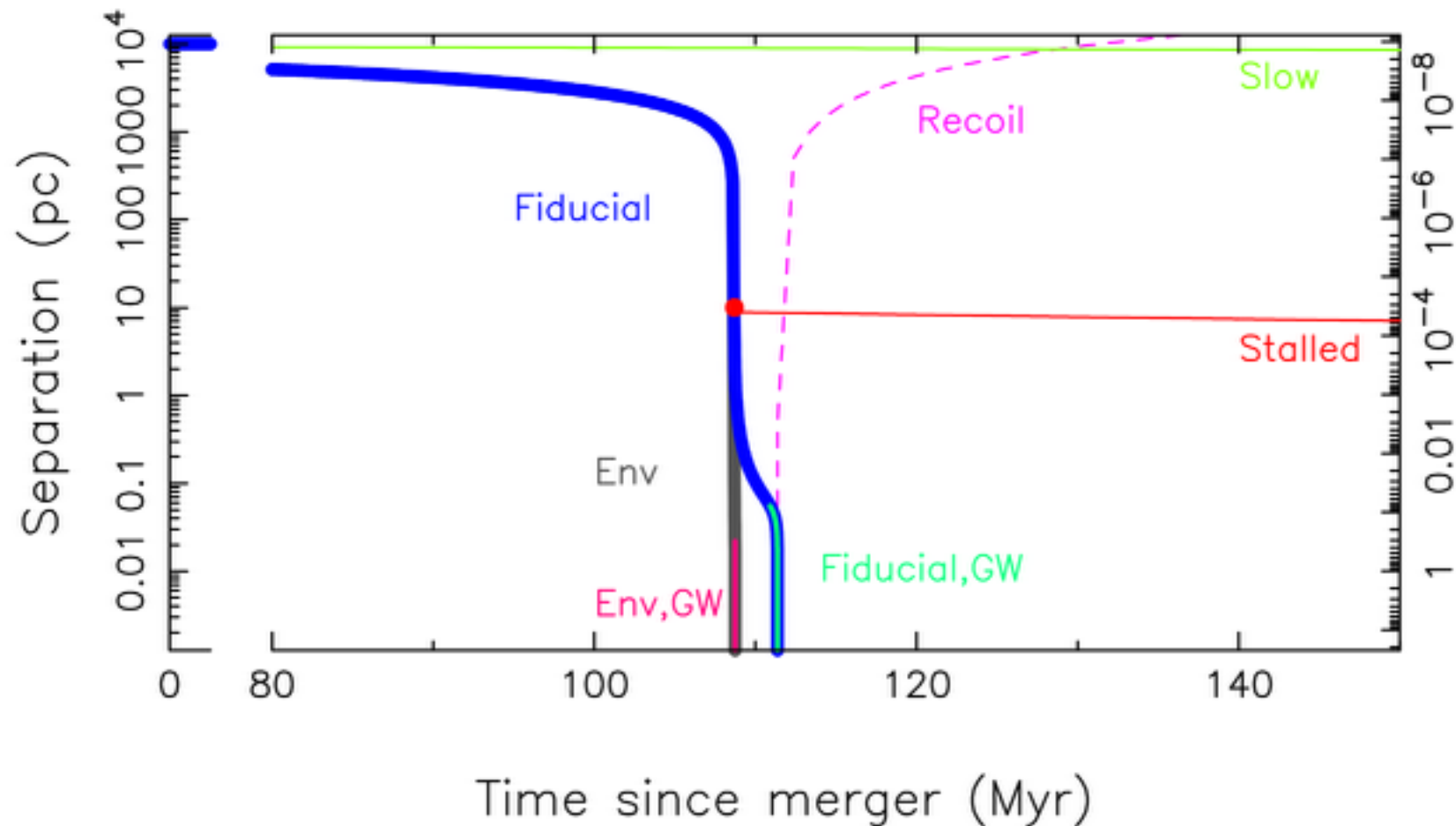
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Astrophysical Inference

- Black hole mass function at $z \sim 2$?
- Galaxy merger rate?
- Environmental factors: stars, gas, ...



**see Ryan Shannon's
talk, 2:15 Tuesday & PPTA poster**

Shannon, Ravi, Lentati, PL, et al., 2015 (submitted)

Conclusions

- **Advanced LIGO coming online ~Q4 2015**
 - Binary inspirals likely first detection
 - detection of isolated neutron stars has huge pay-off.
- **PPTA currently doing cosmology with non-detections!**
- **Exciting times for gravitational wave science!!**

Extra Slides

Laser Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory

LIGO

Epoch	Estimated run duration	No. of BNS Detections
2015	3 months	0.0004 — 3
2016 – 17	6 months	0.006 — 20
2017 — 18	9 months	0.04 — 100
2019 +	(per year)	0.2 — 200
2022 + (India)	(per year)	0.4 — 400

Abadie et al. (2010; arXiv:1003.2480)

**see David McClelland's
talk, 4pm Tuesday!**

Laser Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory

LIGO

900+ members, 80+ institutions, 17 countries



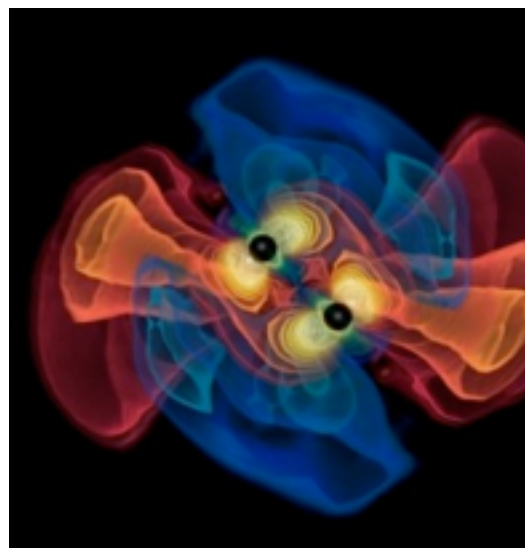
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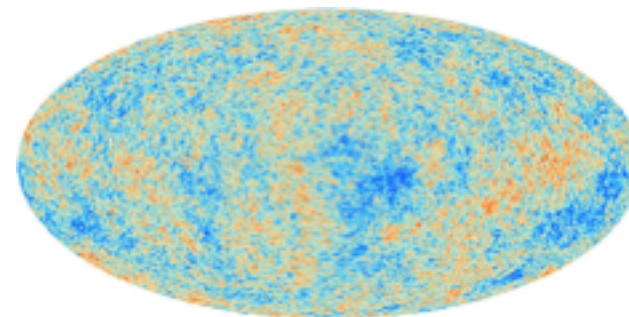
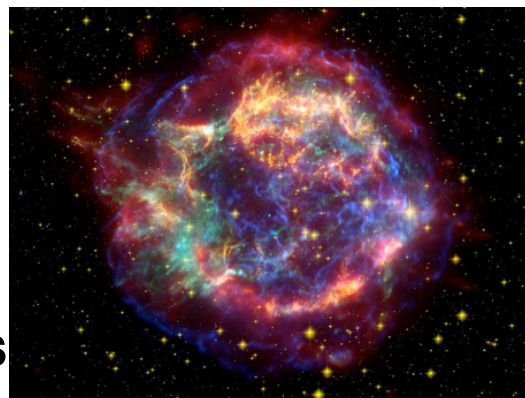
Bursts

core-collapse SN, pulsar
glitches, magnetar flares,
cosmic strings, ...



Coalescing compact binaries

NS-NS, NS-BH, BH-BH



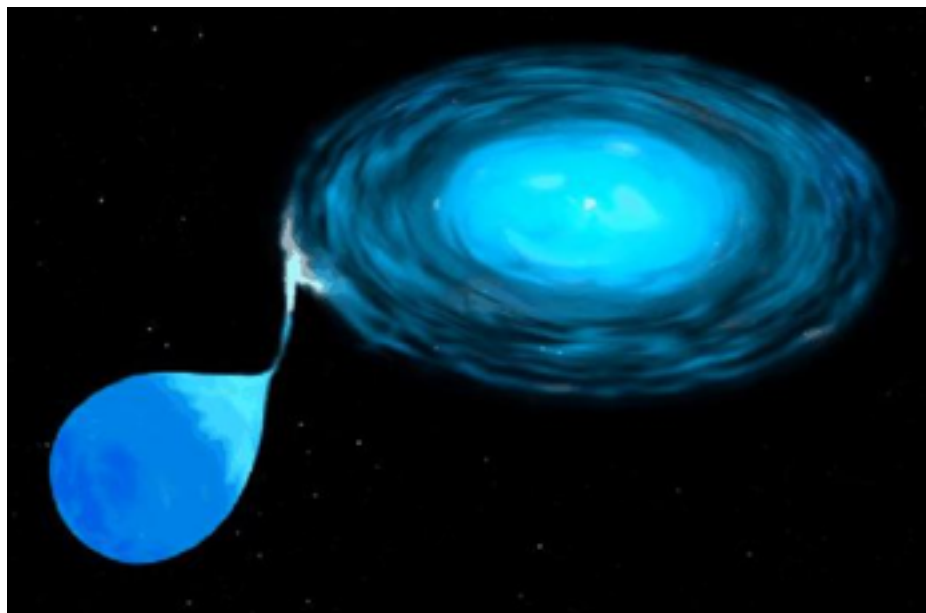
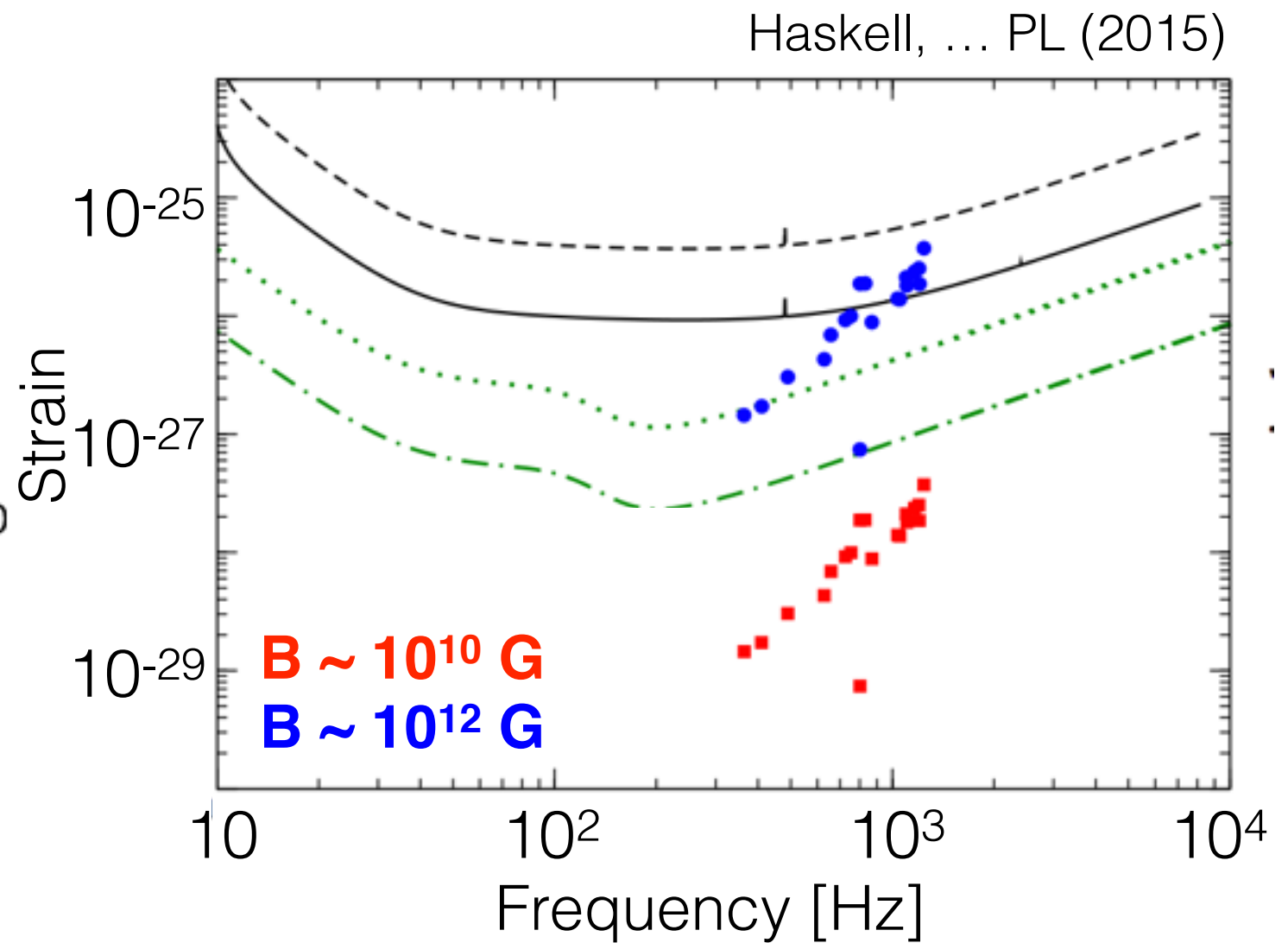
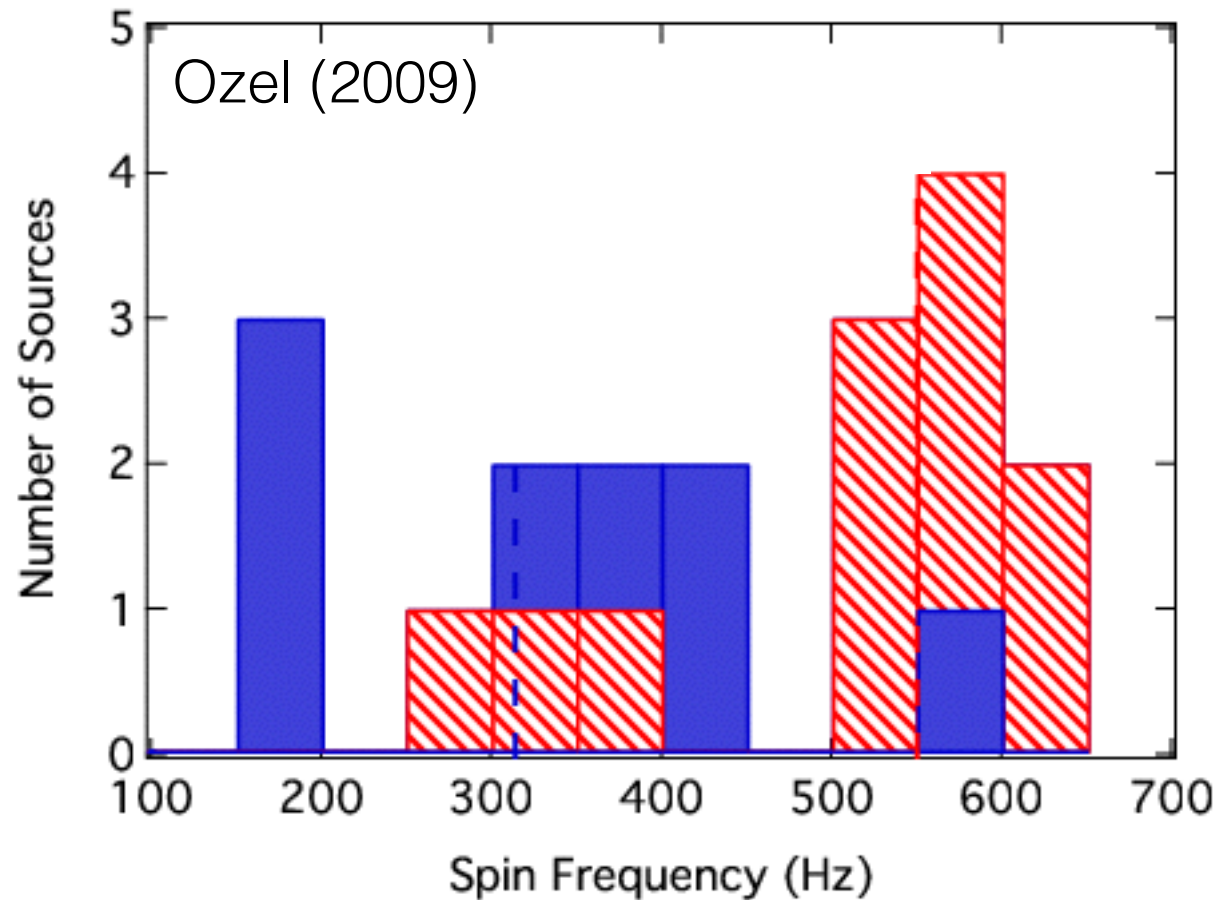
stochastic background

Astrophysical &
cosmological

continuous wave
rotating neutron stars



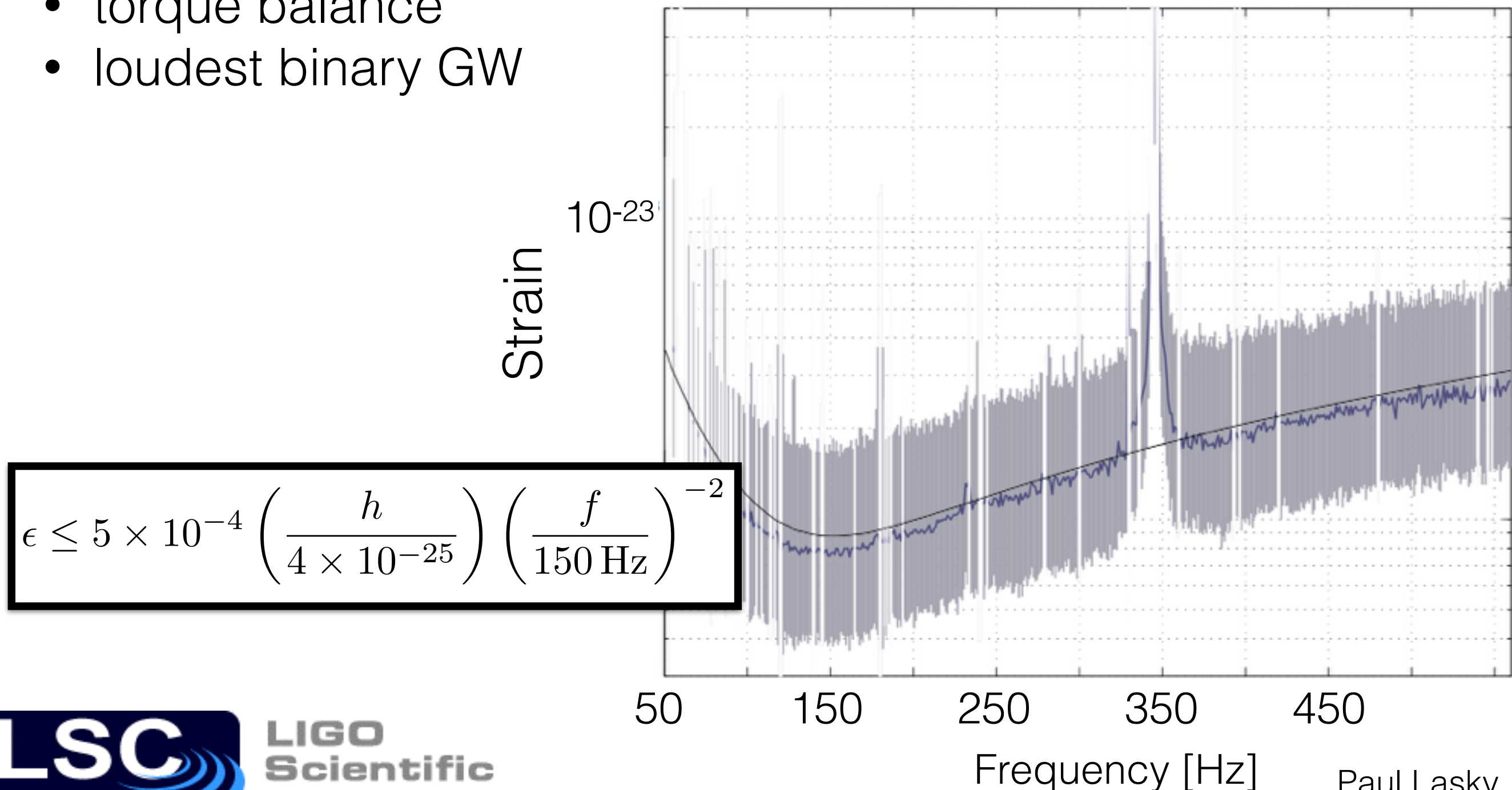
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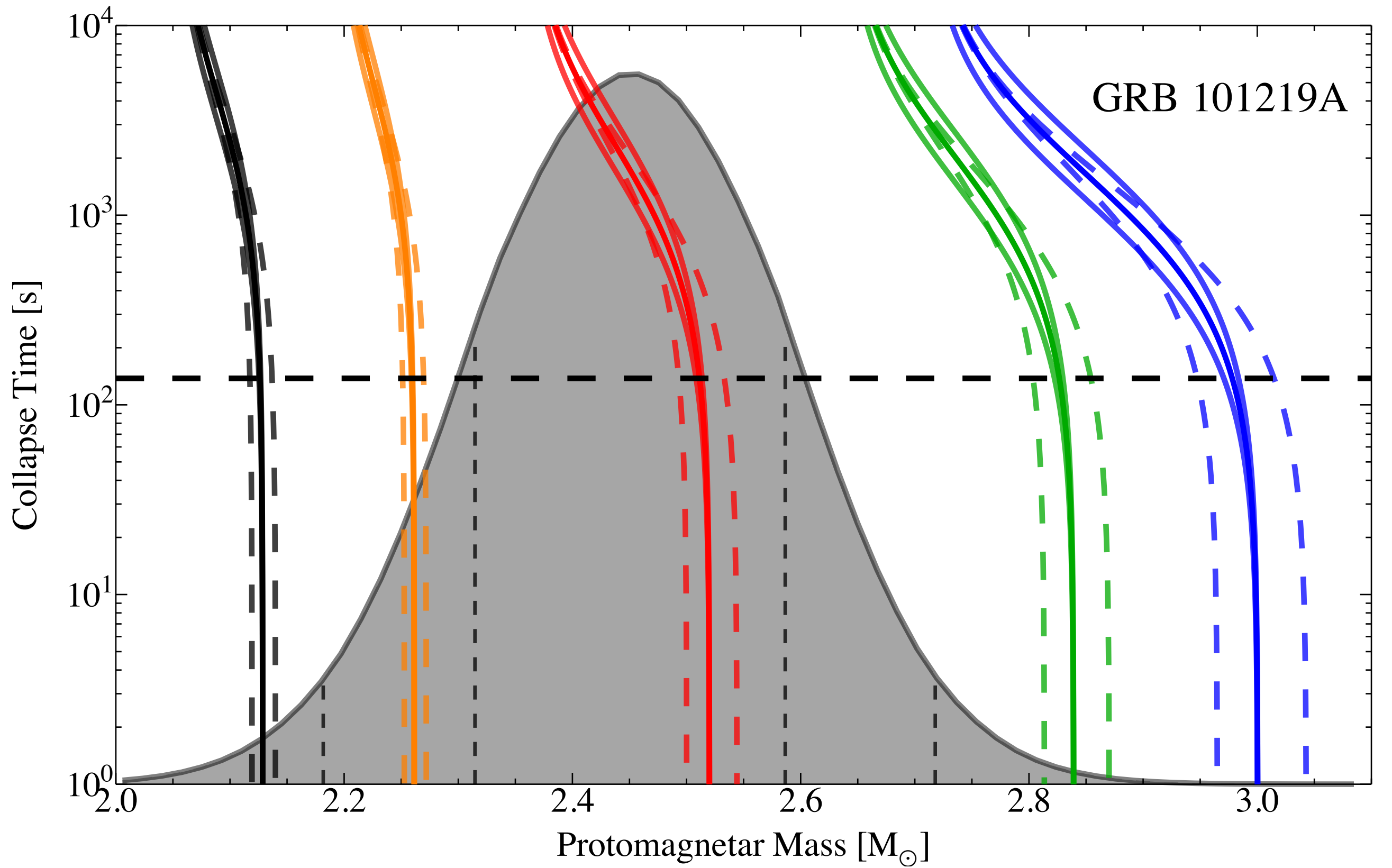


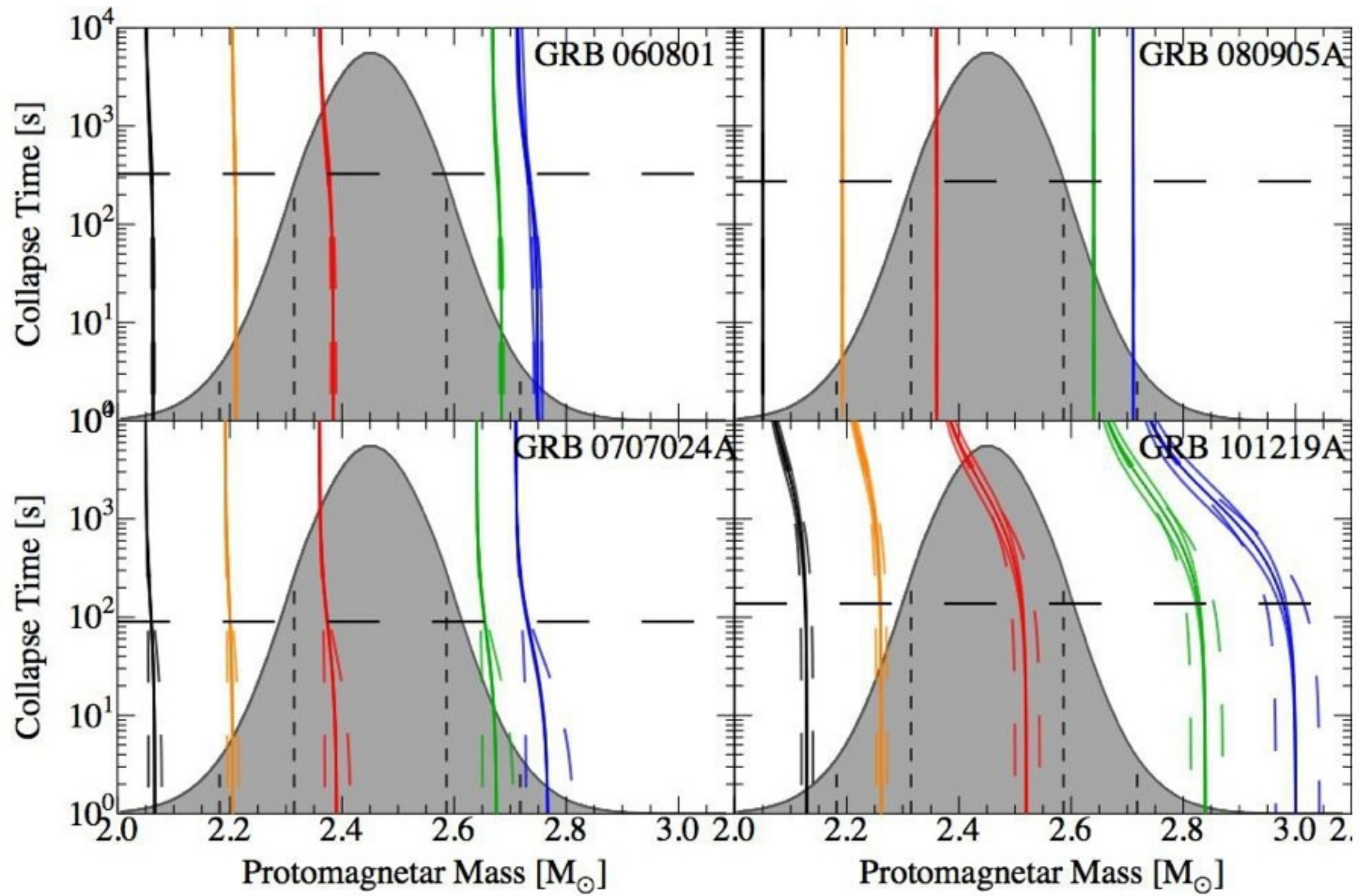
Low Mass X-ray Binary: Sco X1

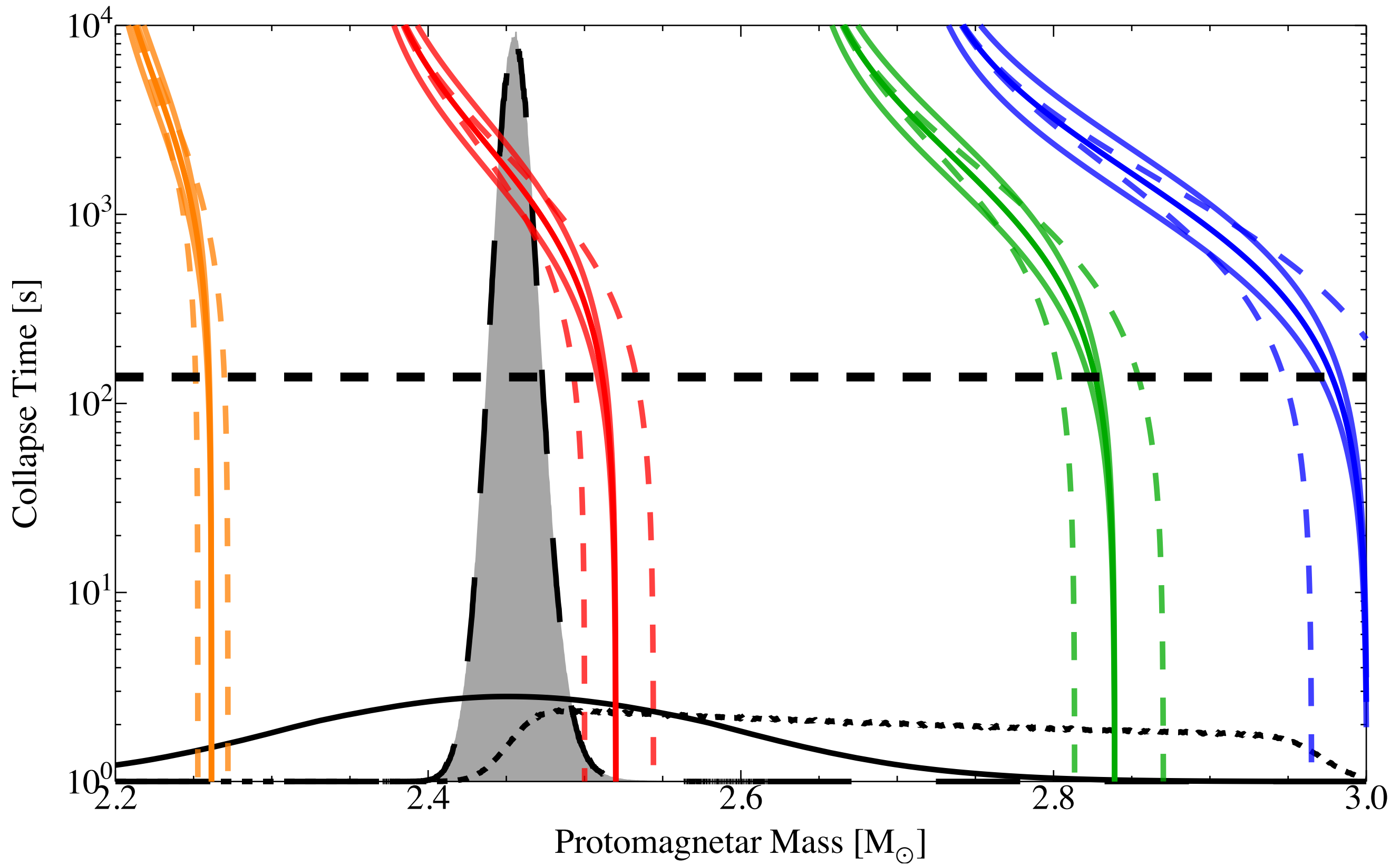
- ◉ Brightest extrasolar X-ray source
 - torque balance
 - loudest binary GW

Sammut et al. (2014); Aasi et al. (2015)
Messenger, ... PL, ... (2015)

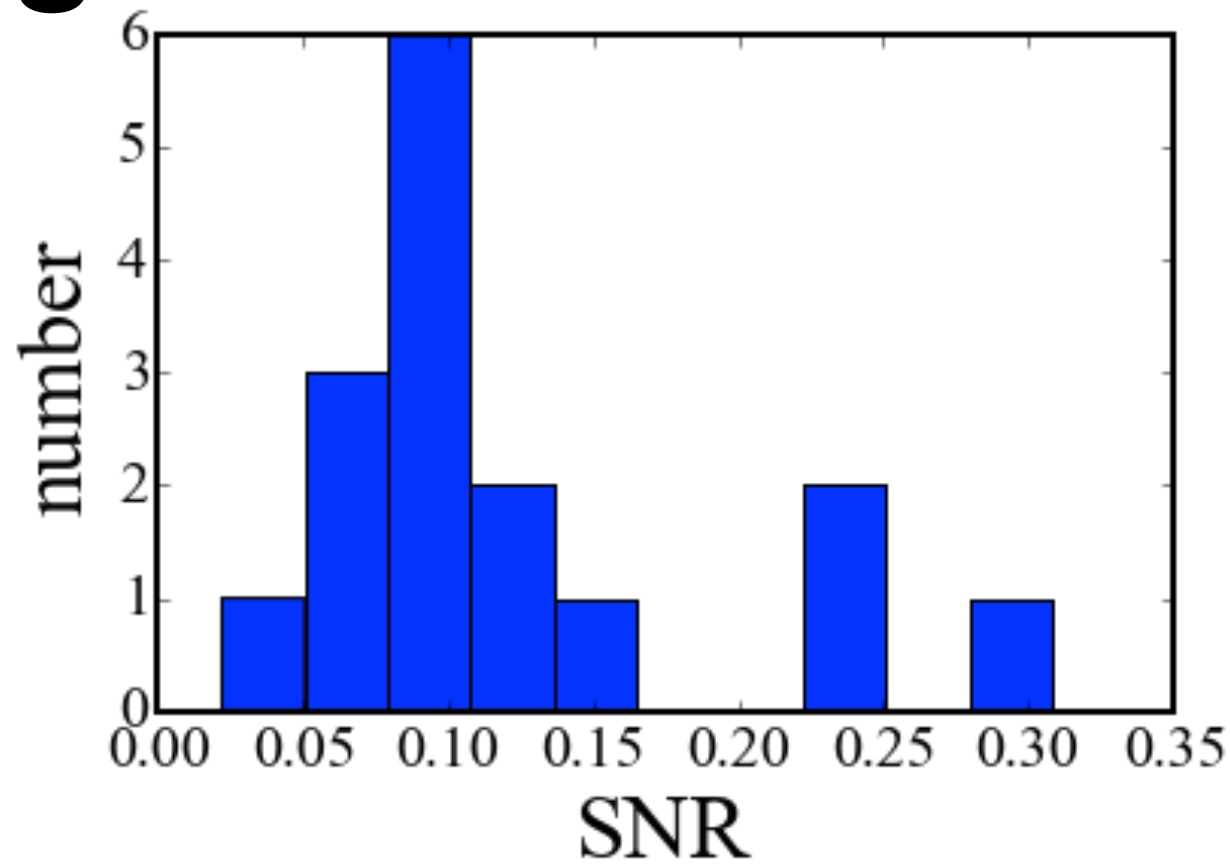








Very young neutron stars — short GRBs



upper limit SNR for
full aLIGO sensitivity

(PL 2015; in prep)

