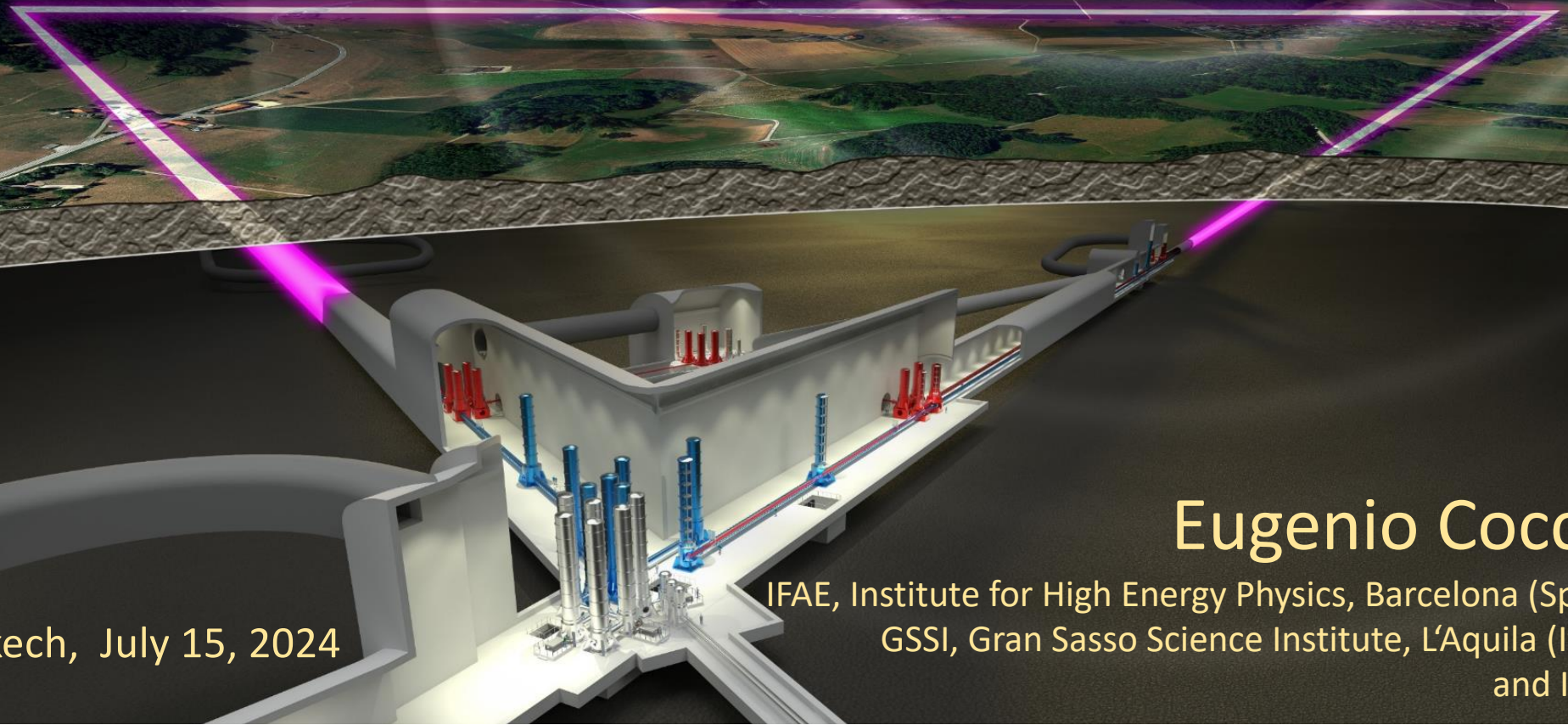




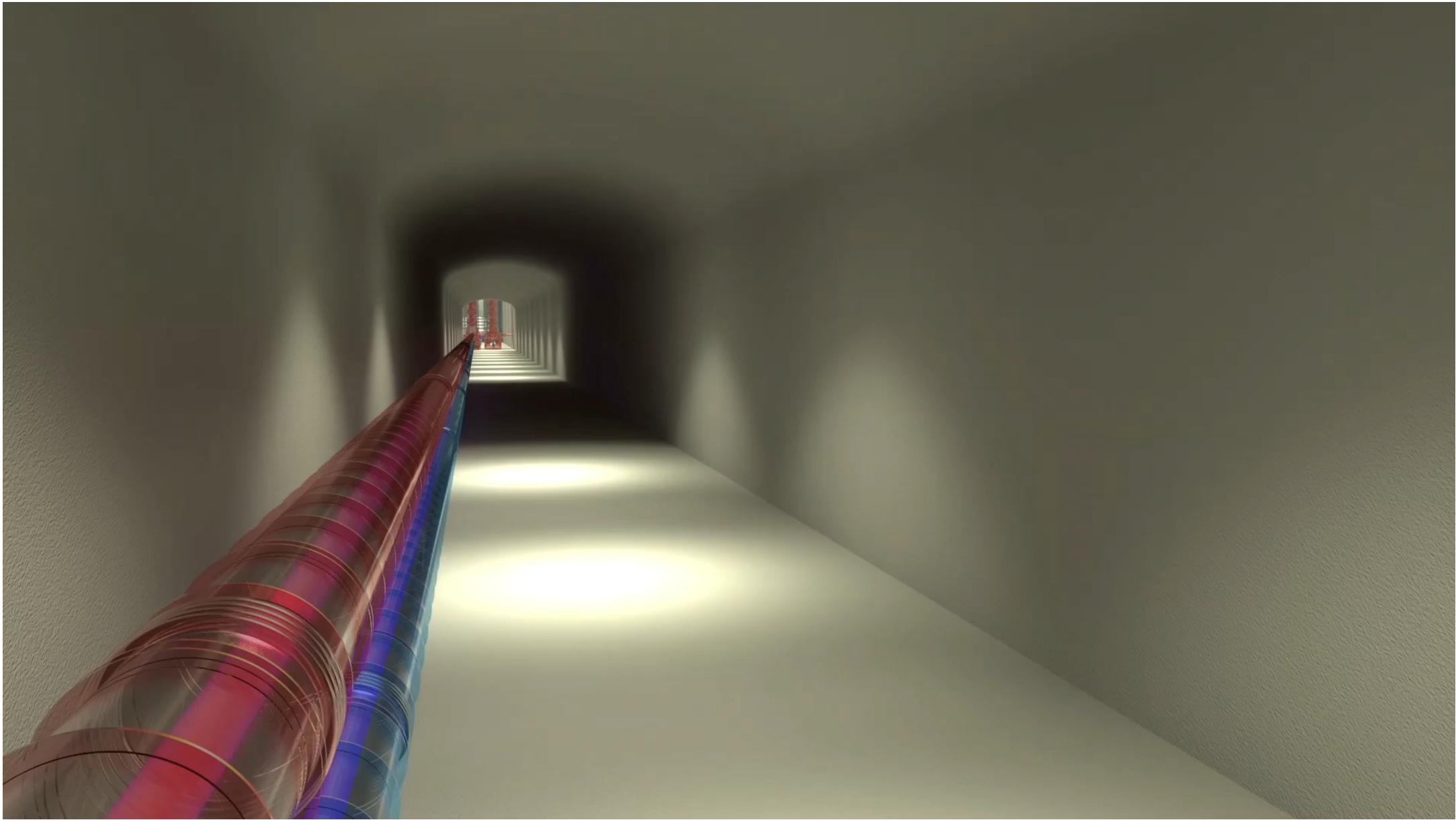
# Gravitational Waves



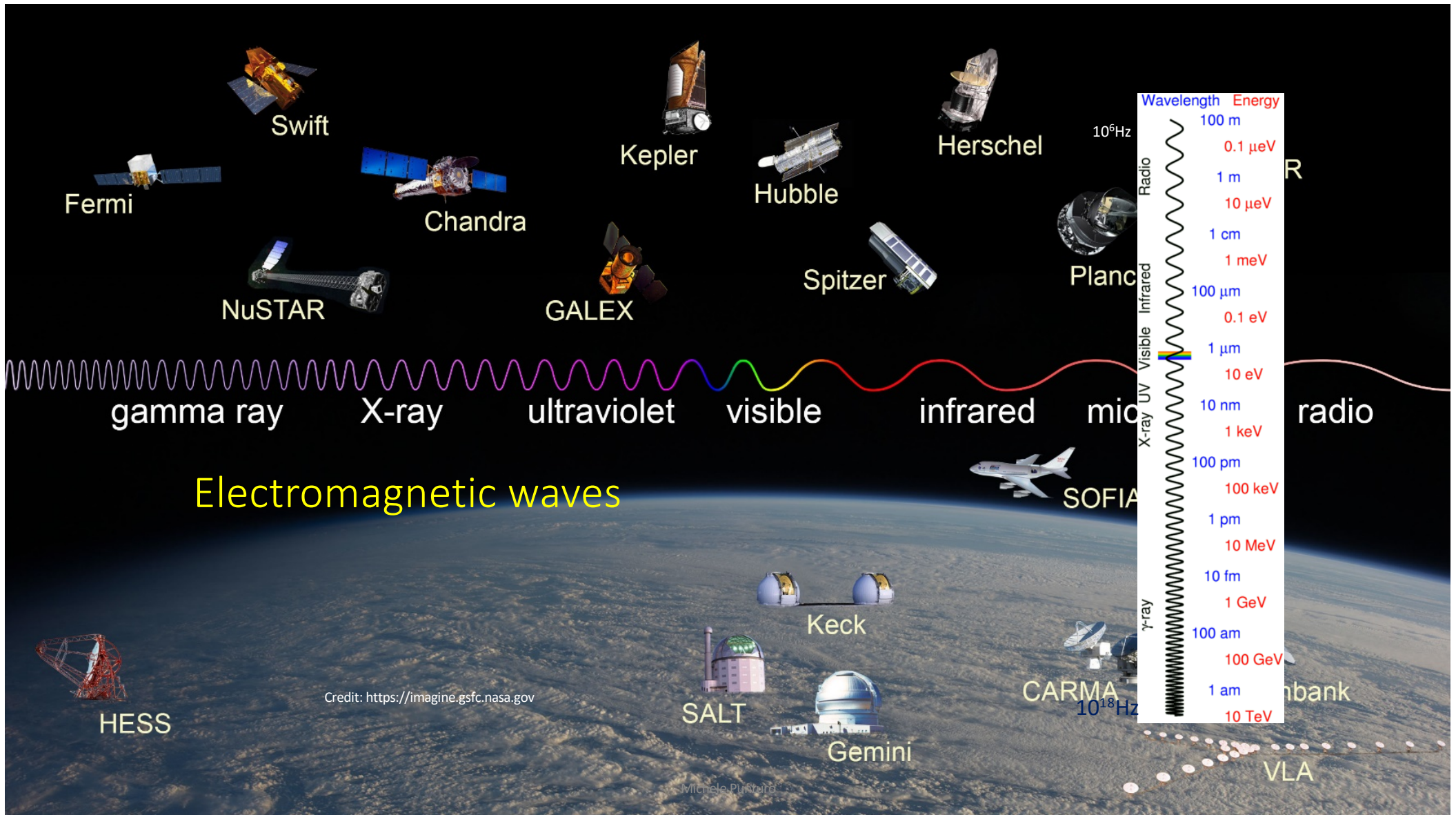
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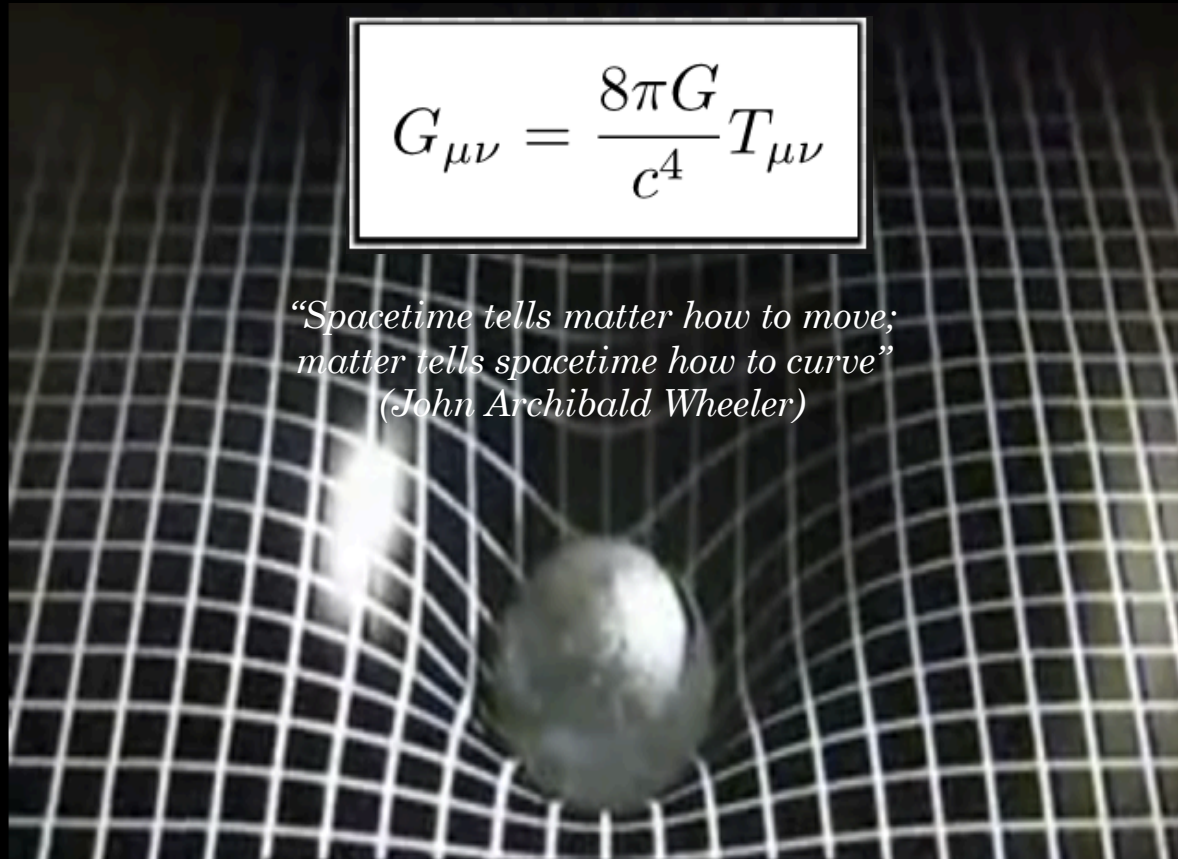


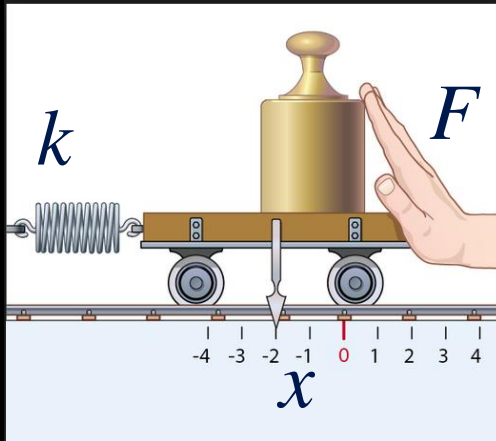
# Einstein's Theory of Gravitation

Gravity is a manifestation of spacetime curvature induced by mass-energy

$$G_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$

*“Spacetime tells matter how to move;  
matter tells spacetime how to curve”  
(John Archibald Wheeler)*





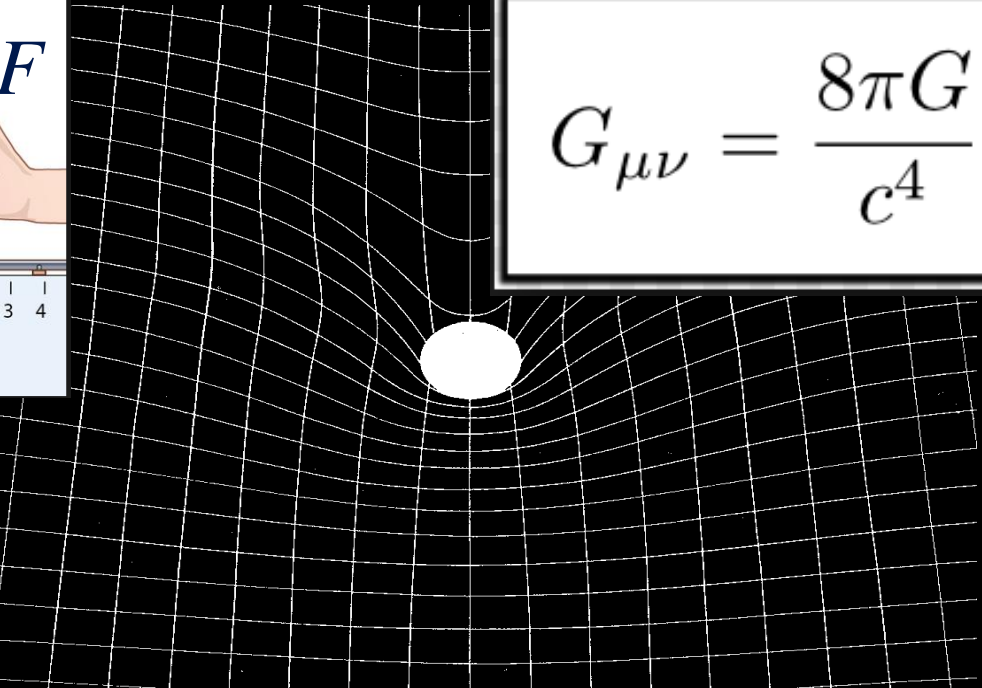
$$G_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$F = -kx$$

$$F \Leftrightarrow T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$x \Leftrightarrow G_{\mu\nu}$$

$$k \Leftrightarrow \frac{c^4}{8\pi G}$$



$$c = 299\,792\,458 \text{ m/s} = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

$$G = 0,000\,000\,000\,066\,7 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg s}^2} = 6,67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg s}^2}$$

$$k \approx 10^{45} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}^2} \quad \text{STIFF!}$$

## Über Gravitationswellen.

VON A. EINSTEIN.

Die wichtige Frage, wie die Ausbreitung der Gravitationsfelder erfolgt, ist schon vor anderthalb Jahren in einer Akademiearbeit von mir behandelt worden<sup>1</sup>. Da aber meine damalige Darstellung des Gegenstandes nicht genügend durchsichtig und außerdem durch einen bedauerlichen Rechenfehler verunstaltet ist, muß ich hier nochmals auf die Angelegenheit zurückkommen.

Wie damals beschränke ich mich auch hier auf den Fall, daß das betrachtete zeiträumliche Kontinuum sich von einem »galileischen« nur sehr wenig unterscheidet. Um für alle Indizes

$$g_{\mu\nu} = -\delta_{\mu\nu} + \gamma_{\mu\nu} \quad (1)$$

setzen zu können, wählen wir, wie es in der speziellen Relativitätstheorie üblich ist, die Zeitvariable  $x_4$  rein imaginär, indem wir

$$x_4 = it$$

setzen, wobei  $t$  die »Lichtzeit« bedeutet. In (1) ist  $\delta_{\mu\nu} = 1$  bzw.  $\delta_{\mu\nu} = 0$ , je nachdem  $\mu = \nu$  oder  $\mu \neq \nu$  ist. Die  $\gamma_{\mu\nu}$  sind gegen 1 kleine Größen, welche die Abweichung des Kontinuums vom feldfreien darstellen; sie bilden einen Tensor vom zweiten Range gegenüber LORENTZ-Transformationen.

§ 1. Lösung der Näherungsgleichungen des Gravitationsfeldes durch retardierte Potentiale.

Wir gehen aus von den für ein beliebiges Koordinatensystem gültigen<sup>2</sup> Feldgleichungen

$$-\sum_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\alpha}} \left\{ \frac{\mu\nu}{\alpha} \right\} + \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_{\nu}} \left\{ \frac{\mu\alpha}{\alpha} \right\} + \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left\{ \frac{\mu\alpha}{\beta} \right\} \left\{ \frac{\nu\beta}{\alpha} \right\} - \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left\{ \frac{\mu\nu}{\alpha} \right\} \left\{ \frac{\alpha\beta}{\beta} \right\} \quad (2)$$

$$= -\kappa \left( T_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} T \right).$$

<sup>1</sup> Diese Sitzungsber. 1916, S. 688 ff.

<sup>2</sup> Von der Einführung des » $\gamma$ -Gliedes« (vgl. diese Sitzungsber. 1917, S. 142) ist dabei Abstand genommen.

Sitzungsberichte 1918.

(1)

La prima pagina di un lavoro di Albert Einstein del 1918 in cui per la prima volta vengono dedotte le equazioni della propagazione ondosa del campo gravitazionale.

# 1916

Weak field approximation

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^0 + h_{\mu\nu}$$

$$|h_{\mu\nu}| \ll 1$$

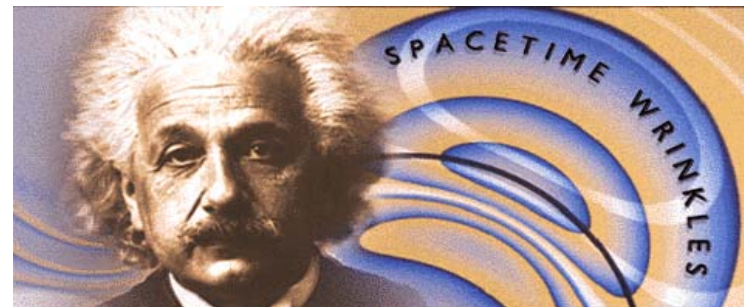
The Einstein equation in vacuum becomes

$$\left( \nabla^2 - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) h_{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Having solutions

$$h_{\mu\nu}(t - x/c)$$

Spacetime perturbations, propagating in vacuum like waves, at the speed of light : gravitational waves





**Gravitational waves are strain in space propagating with the speed of light**

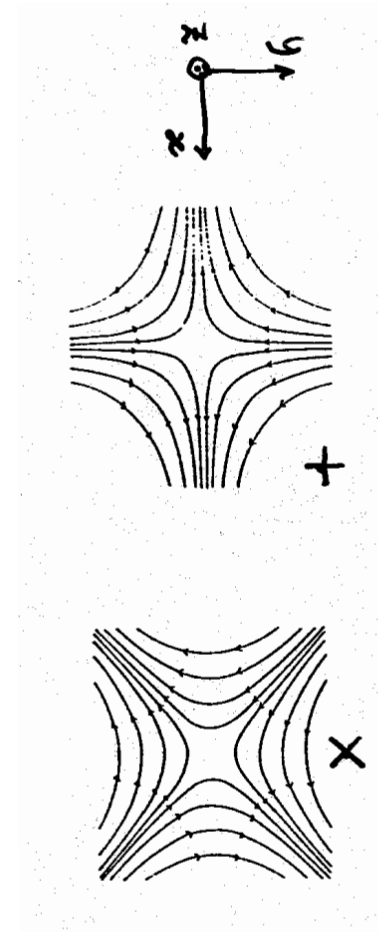
## Main features

- 2 transversal polarization states
- Associated with massless, spin 2 particles (gravitons)
- Emitted by time-varying quadrupole mass moment  
*no dipole radiation because of conservation laws*

$$-\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{2G}{3c^3} \left( \ddot{\vec{d}} \right)^2 + \frac{G}{45c^5} \left( \ddot{\vec{Q}} \right)^2 + \dots$$

$$\dot{\vec{d}} = \sum_i m_i \dot{x}_i \Rightarrow \ddot{\vec{d}} \equiv 0 \quad Q_{ij} = \int \rho x_i x_j d^3x$$

$$h_{ij}(t) = \frac{2G}{rc^4} \ddot{Q}_{ij}(t - r/c)$$

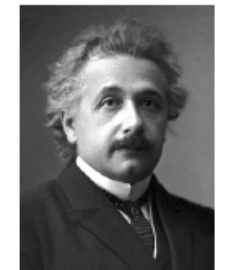


$$A = \frac{\kappa}{24\pi} \sum_{\alpha\beta} \left( \frac{\partial^3 J_{\alpha\beta}}{\partial t^3} \right)^2. \quad (21)$$

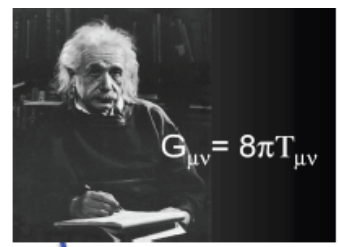
Würde man die Zeit in Sekunden, die Energie in Erg messen, so würde zu diesem Ausdruck der Zahlenfaktor  $\frac{1}{c^4}$  hinzutreten. Berücksichtigt man außerdem, daß  $\kappa = 1.87 \cdot 10^{-27}$ , so sieht man, daß A in allen nur denkbaren Fällen einen praktisch verschwindenden Wert haben muß.

“.....in any case one can think of A will have a practically vanishing value.”

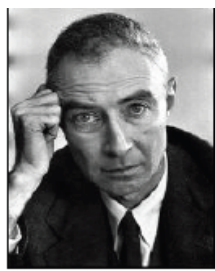
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— technology



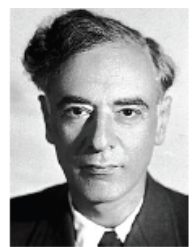
A. Einstein  
Special Relativity  
Random processes



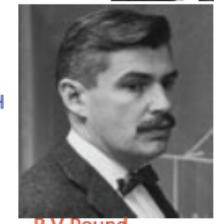
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General Relativistic waves



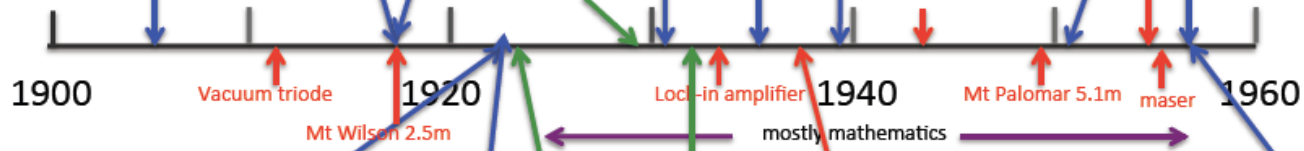
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H. Snyder  
Gravitational collapse to a BH



L. Landau & E. Lifshitz  
Classical Theory of Fields



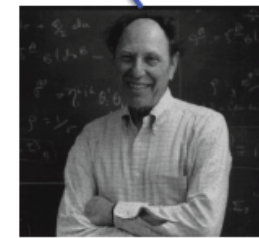
R.V. Pound  
Cavity freq. stabilization



M. Abraham  
Electromagnetic analog



A.S. Eddington  
skeptical: about pseudo tensor,  
inability to solve binary system,  
coordinate waves that propagate  
with the speed of thought also  
ones that might carry energy



Josh Goldberg  
US AirForce

# The Role of Gravitation in Physics

Report from the 1957 Chapel Hill Conference

Cécile M. DeWitt and Dean Rickles (eds.)

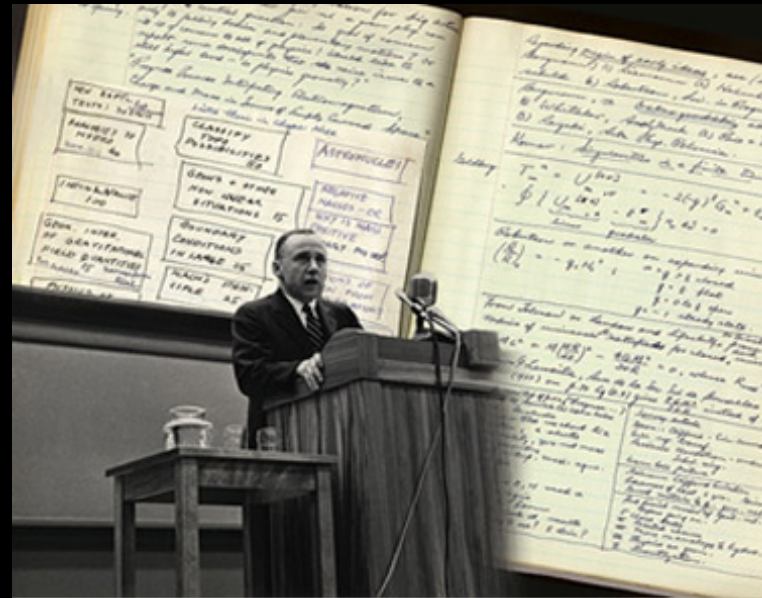


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## Chapter 14

### Measurement of Classical Gravitation Fields

*Felix Pirani*

Because of the principle of equivalence, one cannot ascribe a direct physical interpretation to the gravitational field insofar as it is characterized by Christoffel symbols  $\Gamma_{\nu\rho}^{\mu}$ . One can, however, give an invariant interpretation to the variations of the gravitational field. These variations are described by the Riemann tensor; therefore, measurements of the relative acceleration of neighboring free particles, which yield information about the variation of the field, will also yield information about the Riemann tensor.

Now the relative motion of free particles is given by the equation of geodesic deviation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \eta^{\mu}}{\partial \tau^2} + R_{\nu\rho\sigma}^{\mu} v^{\nu} \eta^{\rho} v^{\sigma} = 0 \quad (\mu, \nu, \rho, \sigma = 1, 2, 3, 4) \quad (14.1)$$

Here  $\eta^{\mu}$  is the infinitesimal orthogonal displacement from the (geodesic) worldline  $\zeta$  of a free particle to that of a neighboring similar particle.  $v^{\nu}$  is the 4-velocity of the first particle, and  $\tau$  the proper time along  $\zeta$ . If now one introduces an orthonormal frame on  $\zeta$ ,  $v^{\mu}$  being the timelike vector of the frame, and assumes that the frame is parallelly propagated along  $\zeta$  (which insures that an observer using this frame will see things in as Newtonian a way as possible) then the equation of geodesic deviation (14.1) becomes

$$\frac{\partial^2 \eta^a}{\partial \tau^2} + R_{0b0}^a \eta^b = 0 \quad (a, b = 1, 2, 3,) \quad (14.2)$$

Here  $\eta^a$  are the physical components of the infinitesimal displacement and  $R_{0b0}^a$  some of the physical components of the Riemann tensor, referred to the orthonormal frame.

By measurements of the relative accelerations of several different pairs of particles, one may obtain full details about the Riemann tensor. One

can thus very easily imagine an experiment for measuring the physical components of the Riemann tensor.

Now the Newtonian equation corresponding to (14.2) is

$$\frac{\partial^2 \eta^a}{\partial \tau^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^a \partial x^b} \eta^b = 0 \quad (14.3)$$

It is interesting that the empty-space field equations in the Newtonian and general relativity theories take the same form when one recognizes the correspondence  $R_{0b0}^a \sim \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^a \partial x^b}$  between equations (14.2) and (14.3), for the respective empty-space equations may be written  $R_{0a0}^a = 0$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^a \partial x^b} = 0$ . (Details of this work are in the course of publication in *Acta Physica Polonica*.)

BONDI: Can one construct in this way an absorber for gravitational energy by inserting a  $\frac{d\eta}{d\tau}$  term, to learn what part of the Riemann tensor would be the energy producing one, because it is that part that we want to isolate to study gravitational waves?

PIRANI: I have not put in an absorption term, but I have put in a "spring." You can invent a system with such a term quite easily.

LICHNEROWICZ: Is it possible to study stability problems for  $\eta$ ?

PIRANI: It is the same as the stability problem in classical mechanics, but I haven't tried to see for which kind of Riemann tensor it would blow up.

- **No laboratory equivalent of Hertz experiments for production of GWs**

Luminosity due to a mass  $M$  and size  $R$  oscillating at frequency  $\omega \sim v/R$ :

$$L = \frac{2G}{5c^5} \langle \ddot{Q}^2 \rangle \approx \frac{GM^2 v^6}{R^2 c^5} \quad Q \approx MR^2 \sin \omega t$$

$M=1000$  tons, steel rotor,  $f = 4$  Hz  $\implies L = 10^{-30}$  W  
Einstein: “.. a practically vanishing value...”

Collapse to neutron star  $1.4 M_\odot$   $\implies L = 10^{52}$  W

$h \sim W^{1/2} d^{-1}$ ; source in the Galaxy  $h \sim 10^{-18}$ , in VIRGO cluster  $h \sim 10^{-21}$   
Fairbank: “...a challenge for contemporary experimental physics..”

# How Small $10^{-18}$ meter is?

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One meter

$\div 10,000$



Human hair  $\sim 10^{-4}$  m (0.1 mm)

$\div 1,000,000$



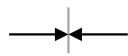
Atomic diameter  $10^{-10}$  m

$\div 100,000$



Nuclear diameter  $10^{-15}$  m

$\div 1,000$



**GW detector  $10^{-18}$  m**

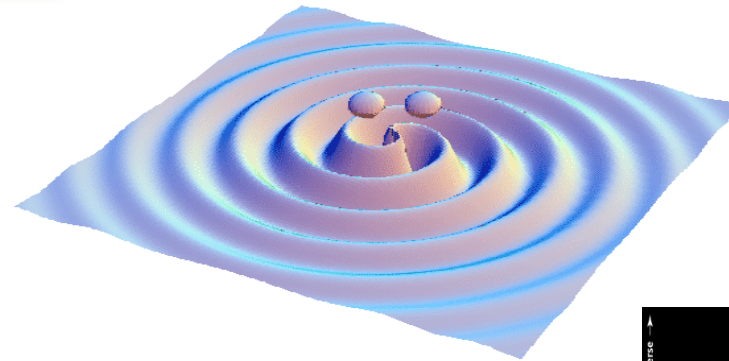
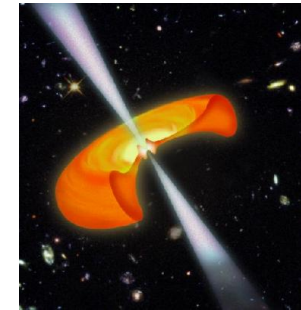
# GW OBJECTIVES

**FIRST DETECTION**  
test Einstein prediction

$$\mathbf{G} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} \mathbf{T}$$

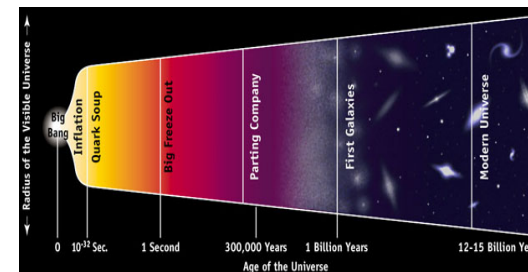
**ASTRONOMY & ASTROPHYSICS**

look beyond the visible,  
understand Black Holes,  
Neutron Stars and supernovae  
understand GRB

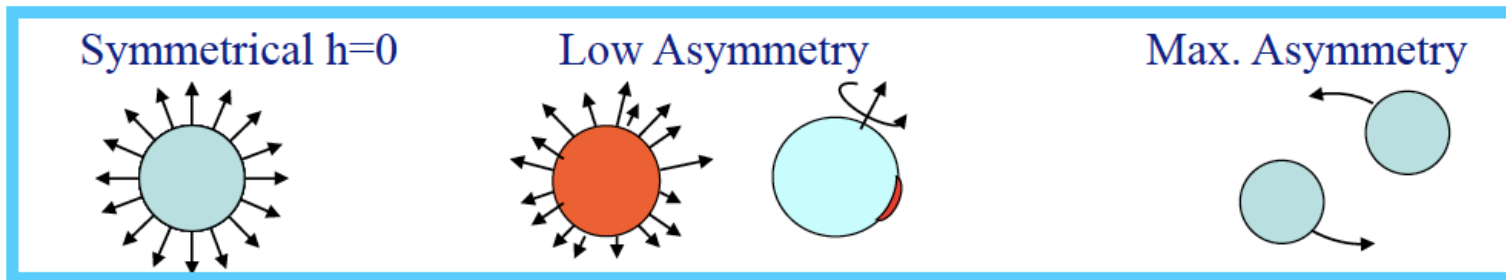


**COSMOLOGY**

the Planck time:  
look as back in time as theorist can conceive

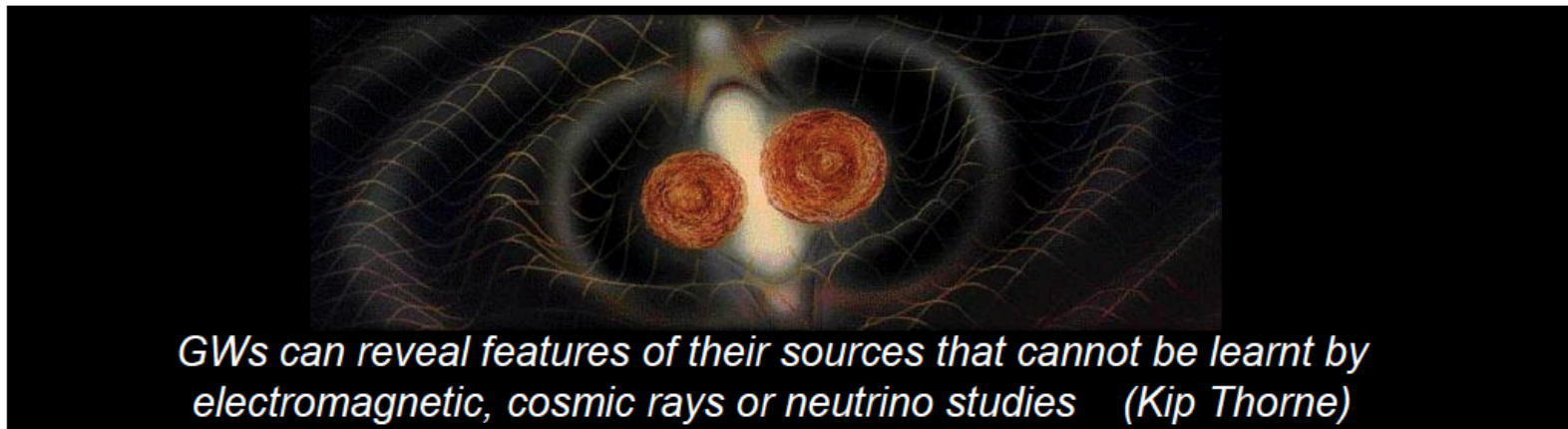






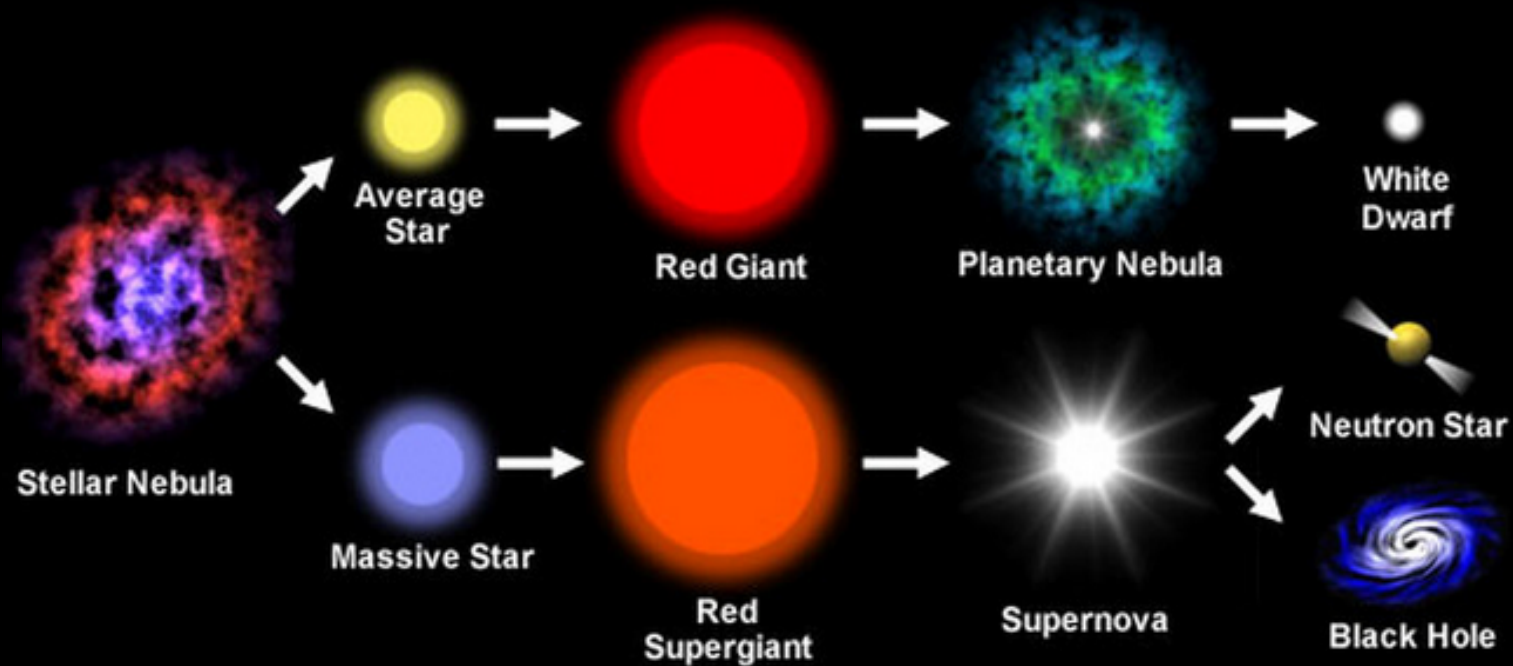
Observing gravitational radiation gives unique information complementary to those derived by em observations

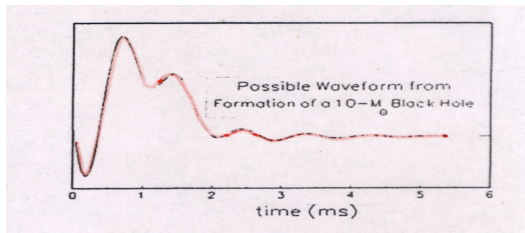
- em radiation is the result of an incoherent combination of the radiation emitted by electrons, atoms and molecules  $\leftrightarrow$  gravitational radiation is the result of a coherent mass acceleration.
- em radiation interacts strongly with matter, and is absorbed significantly while travelling toward the detector  $\leftrightarrow$  gravitational radiation propagates “freely” and can bring us info from the innermost region of a star



*GWs can reveal features of their sources that cannot be learnt by electromagnetic, cosmic rays or neutrino studies (Kip Thorne)*

## Life Cycle of a Star



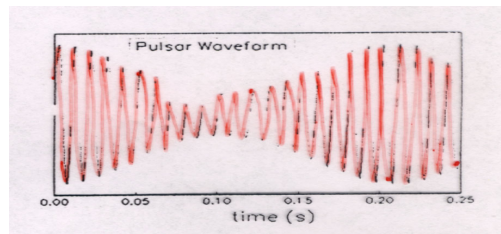


### SUPERNOVAE.

If the collapse core is non-symmetrical, the event can give off considerable radiation in a millisecond timescale.

### Information

Inner detailed dynamics of supernova  
See NS and BH being formed  
Nuclear physics at high density

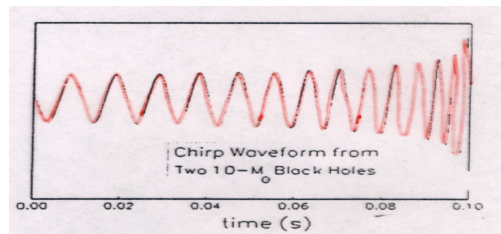


### SPINNING NEUTRON STARS.

Pulsars are rapidly spinning neutron stars. If they have an irregular shape, they give off a signal at constant frequency (prec./Dpl.)

### Information

Neutron star locations near the Earth  
Neutron star Physics  
Pulsar evolution

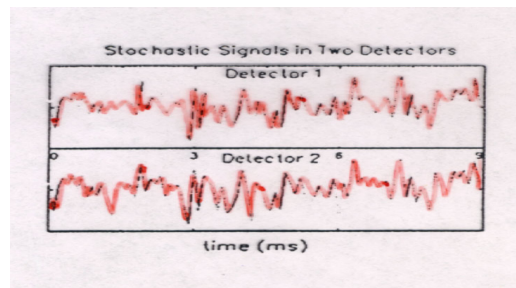


### COALESCING BINARIES.

Two compact objects (NS or BH) spiraling together from a binary orbit give a chirp signal, whose shape identifies the masses and the distance

### Information

Masses of the objects  
BH identification  
Distance to the system  
Hubble constant  
Test of strong-field general relativity

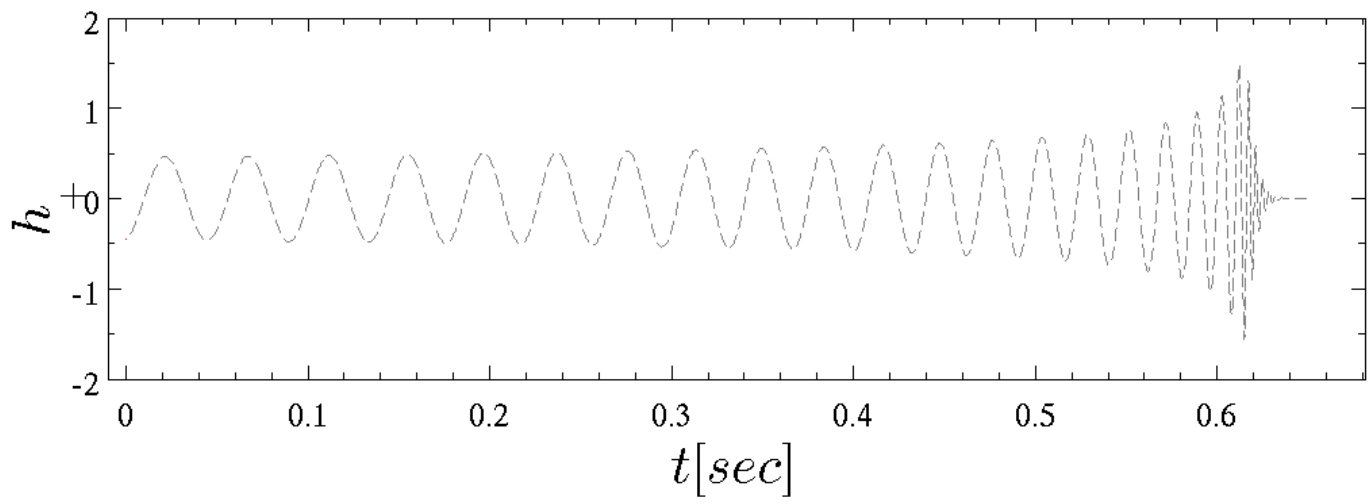
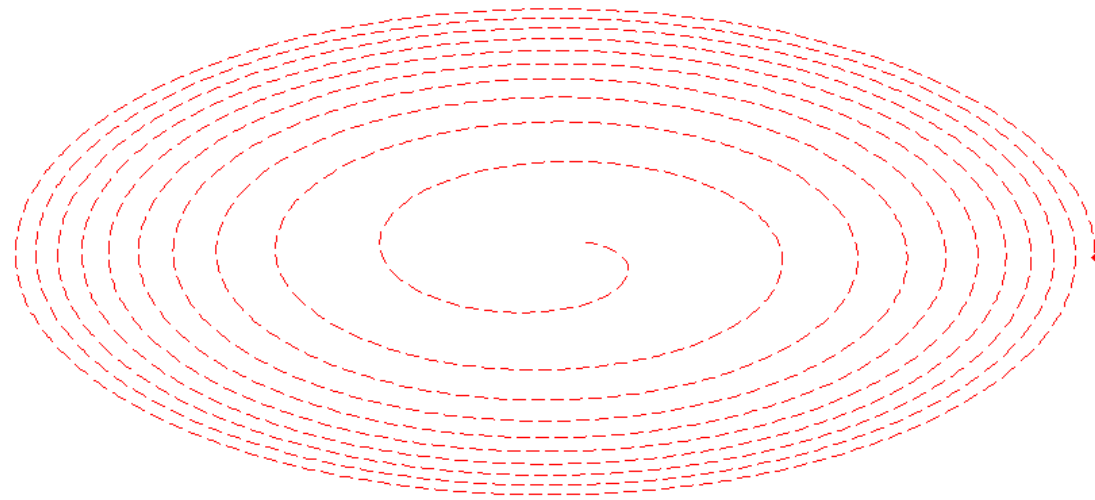


### STOCHASTIC BACKGROUND.

Random background, relic of the early universe and depending on unknown particle physics. It will look like noise in any one detector, but two detectors will be correlated.

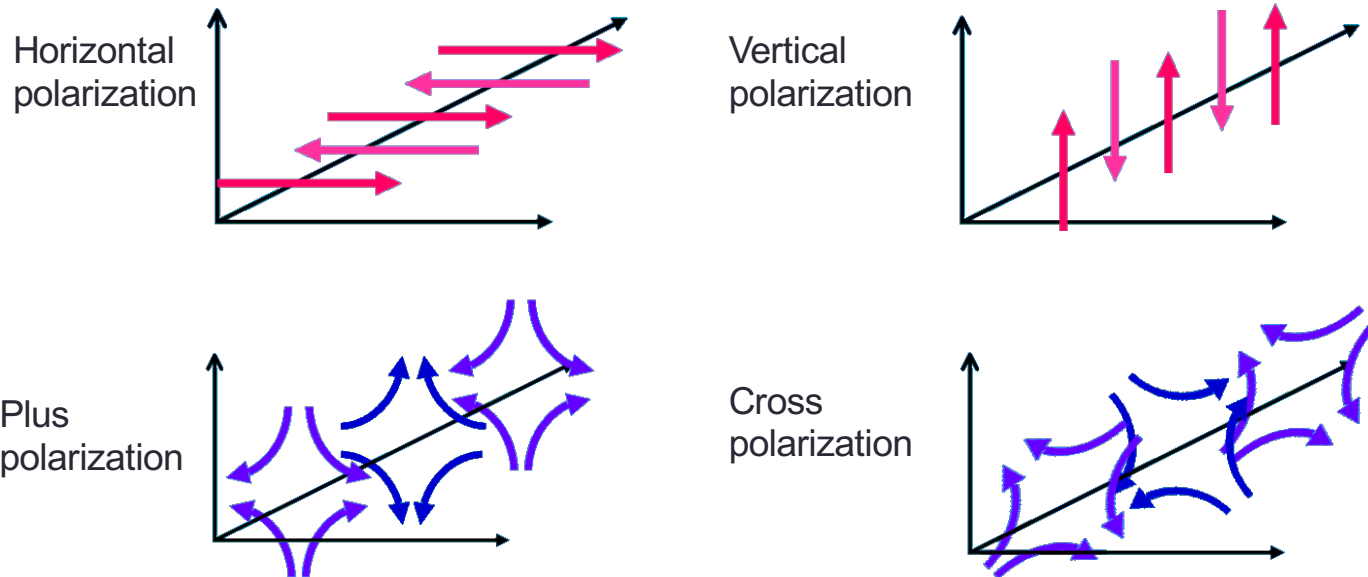
### Information

Confirmation of Big Bang, and inflation  
Unique probe to the Planck epoch  
Existence of cosmic strings



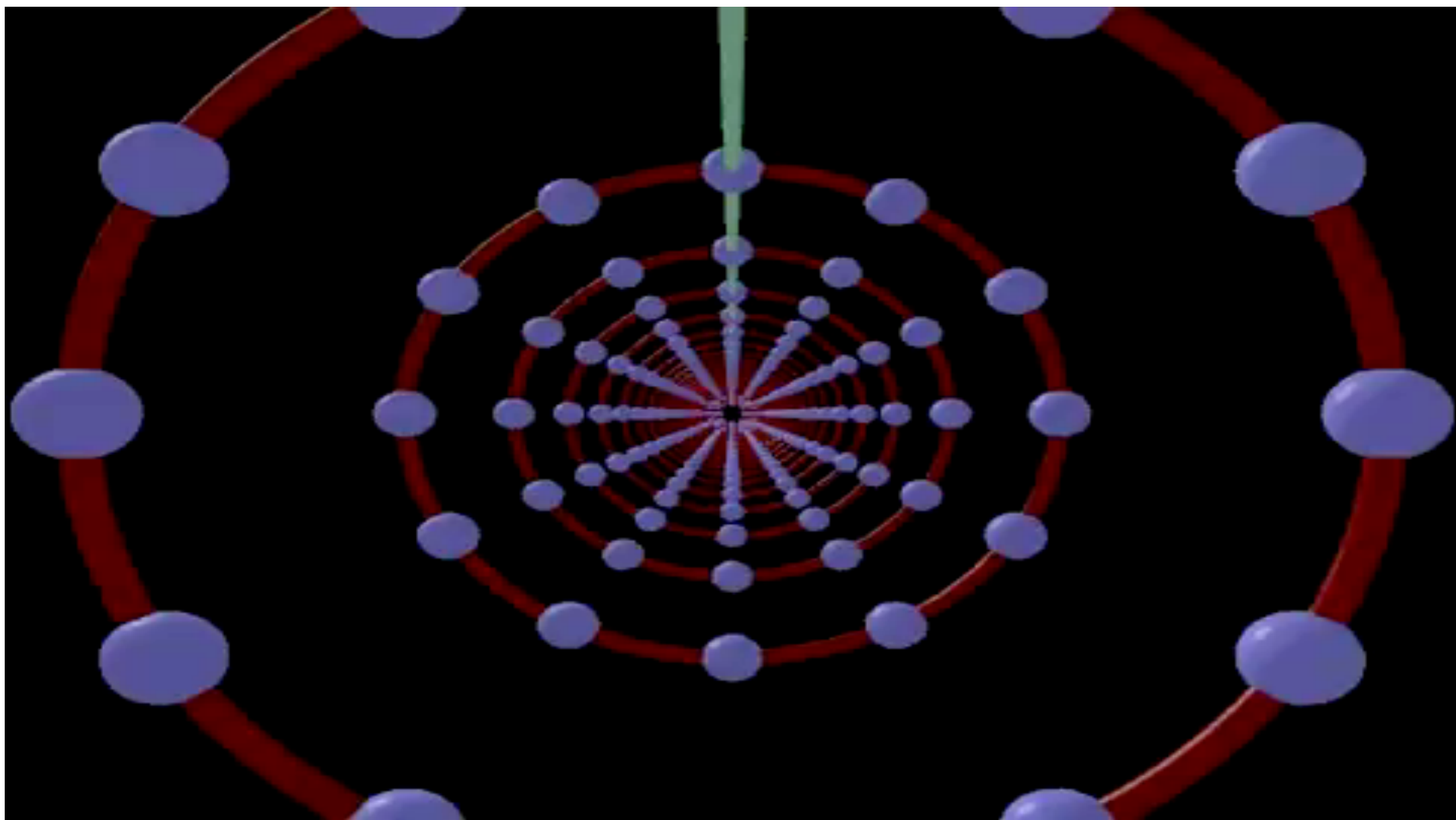
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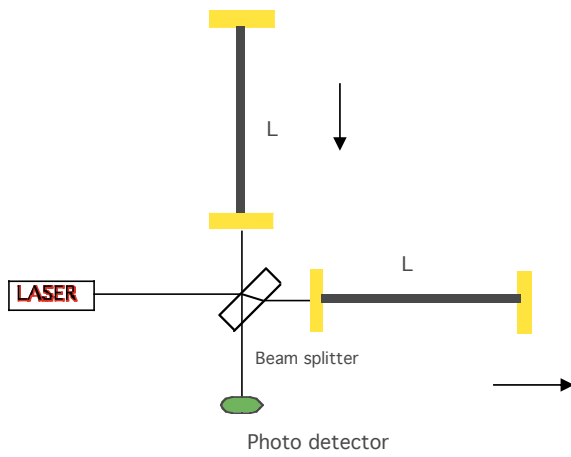
## Comparison with electromagnetic waves



The so-called “electromagnetic theory of light” has not helped us hitherto . . . it seems to me that it is rather a backward step . . . the one thing about it that seems intelligible to me, I do not think is admissible . . . That there should be an electric displacement perpendicular to the line of propagation’

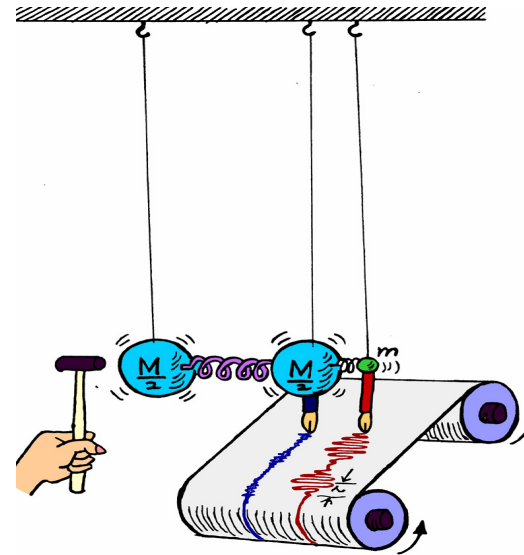
**Lord Kelvin**





$$h = \frac{\Delta L}{L}$$

$$\ddot{x}(t) + \tau^{-1}\dot{x}(t) + \omega_0^2 x(t) = \frac{1}{2}\ddot{h}(t)$$

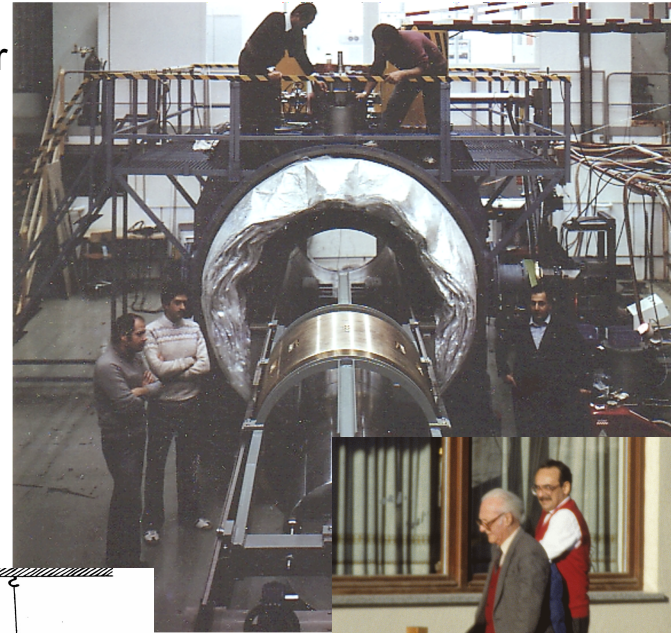




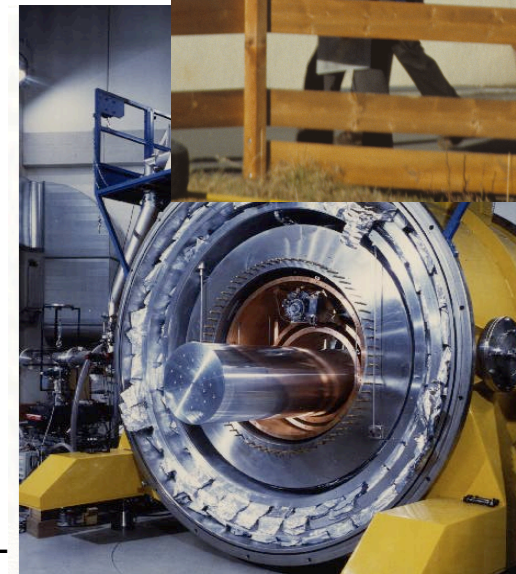
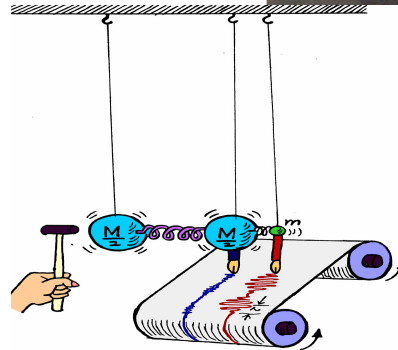
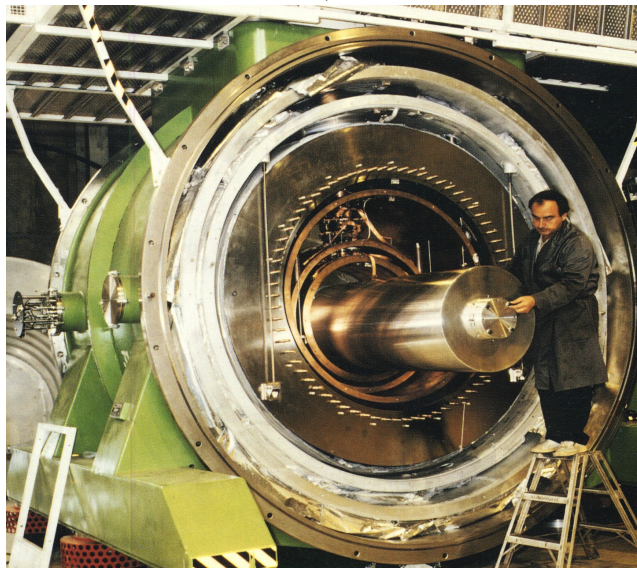




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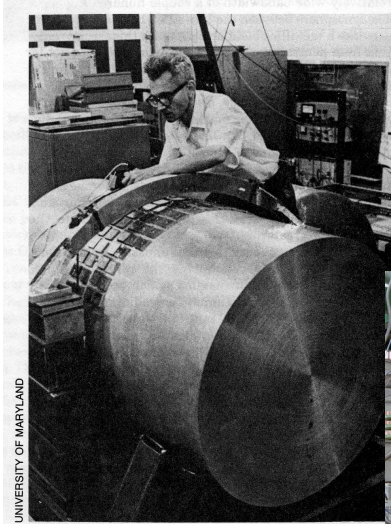
Nautilus, LNF



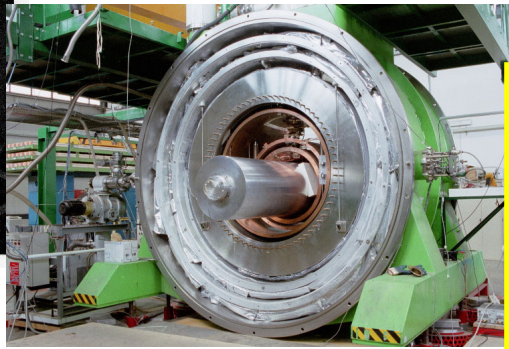
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## Some perspective: 50 years of attempts at detection:

Since the pioneering work of Joseph Weber in the '60, the search for Gravitational Waves has never stopped, with an increasing effort of manpower and ingenuity:



60': Joe Weber pioneering work



90': Cryogenic Bars



1997: GWIC was formed

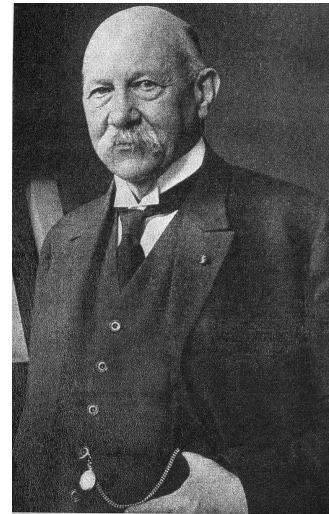


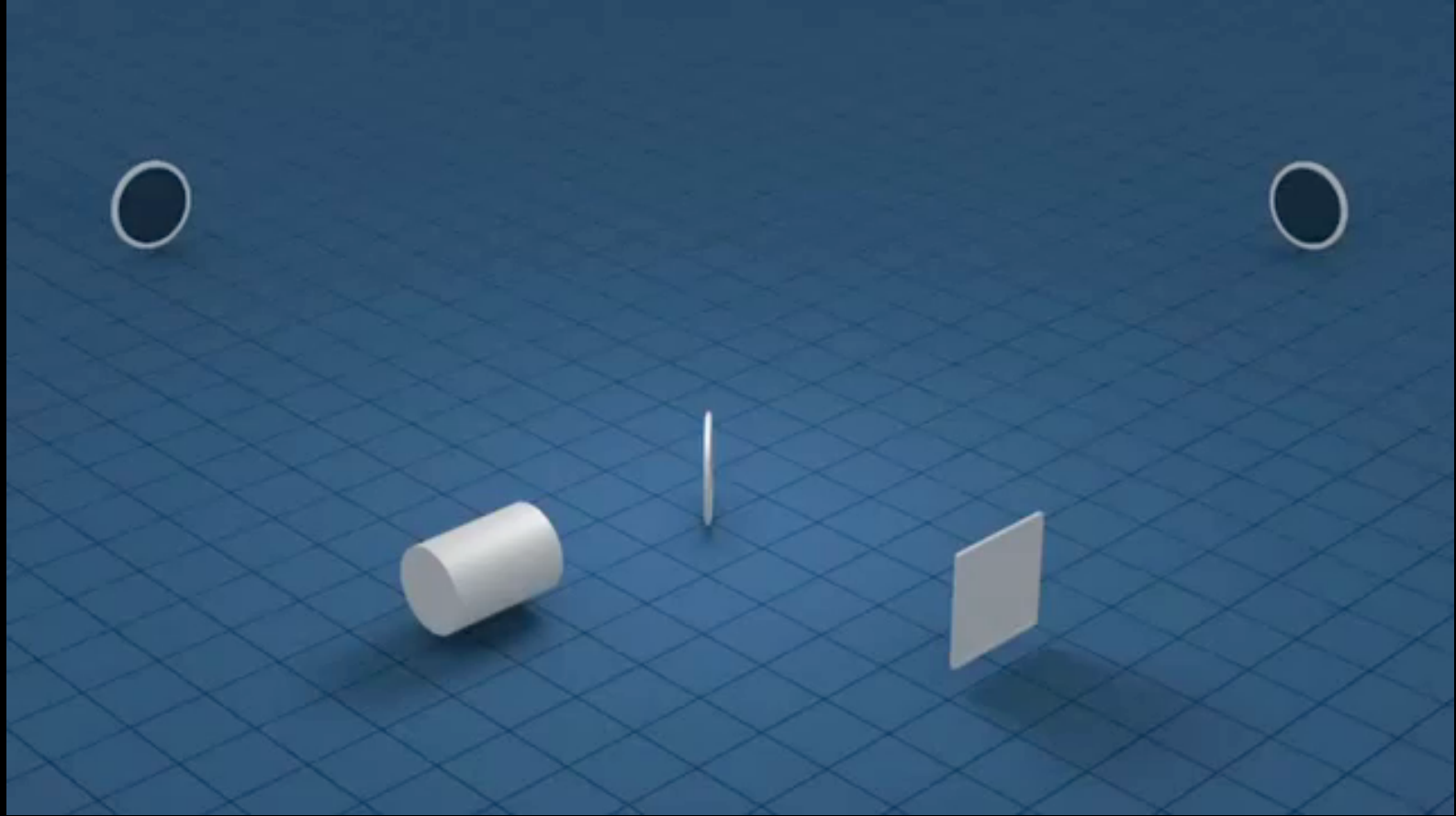
2000' - : Large Interferometers



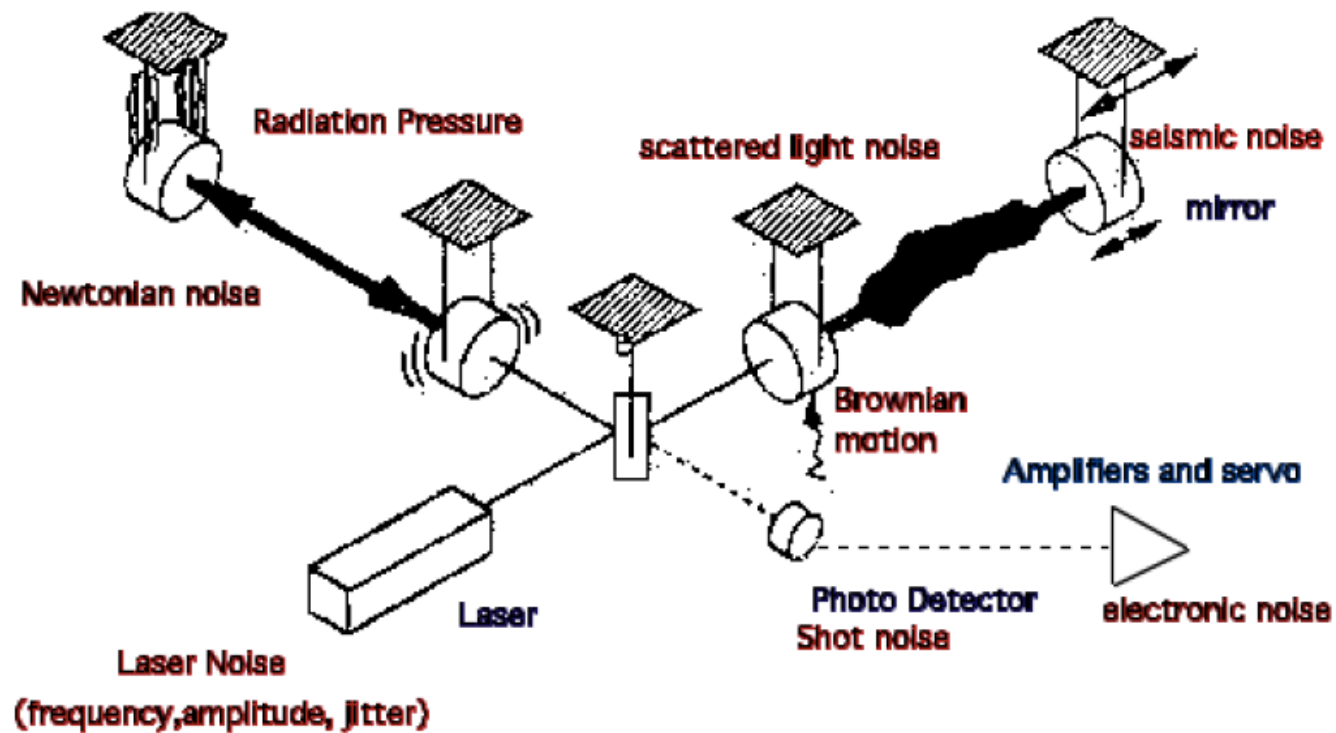
## Experimental gravitational physicists are heirs to several great traditions:

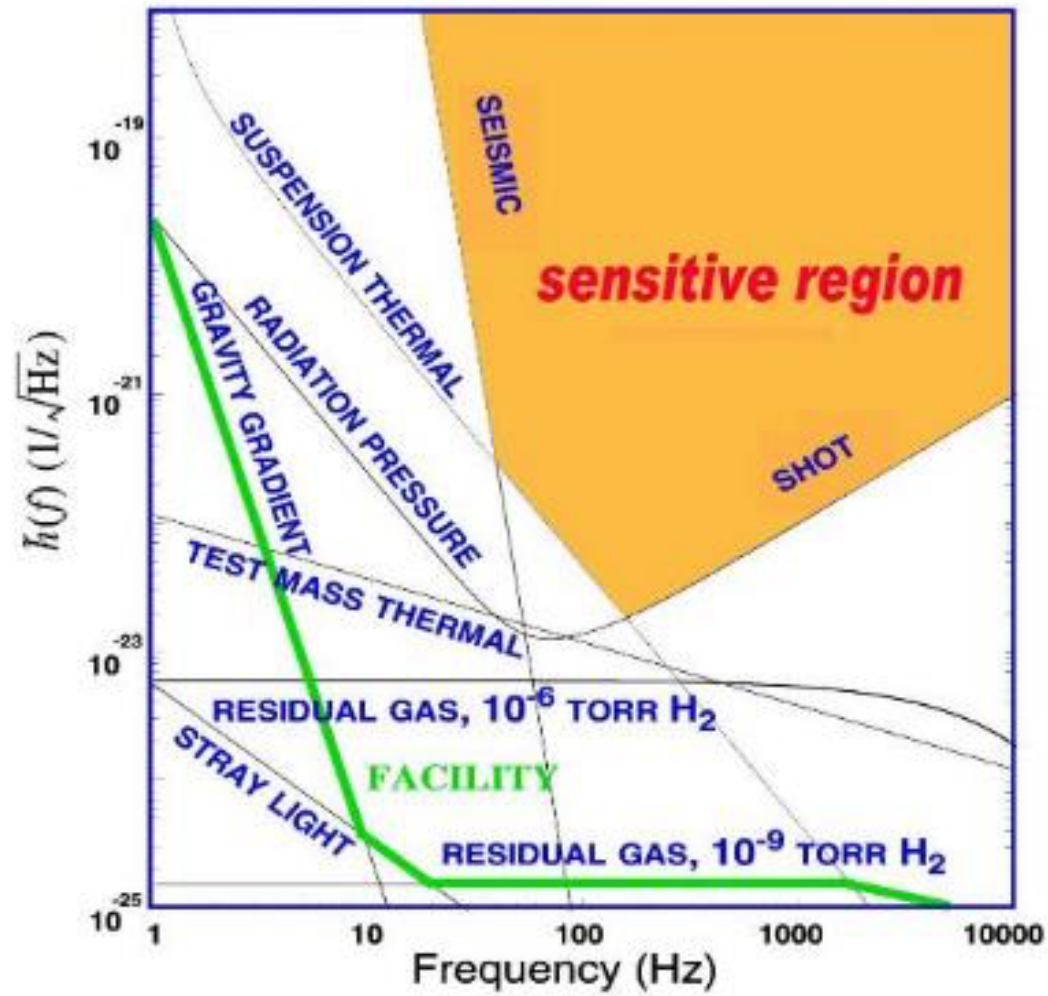
- High precision mechanical experiments (Cavendish, Eotvos, Dicke..) *detection of weak forces applied on mechanical test bodies*
- High precision optical measurements (Michelson, laser developers...)
- Operation of ultraprecise e-m measurement systems (microwave pioneers of World War II)
- Low temperature physics (K. Onnes) *superfluids and superconductors technology*



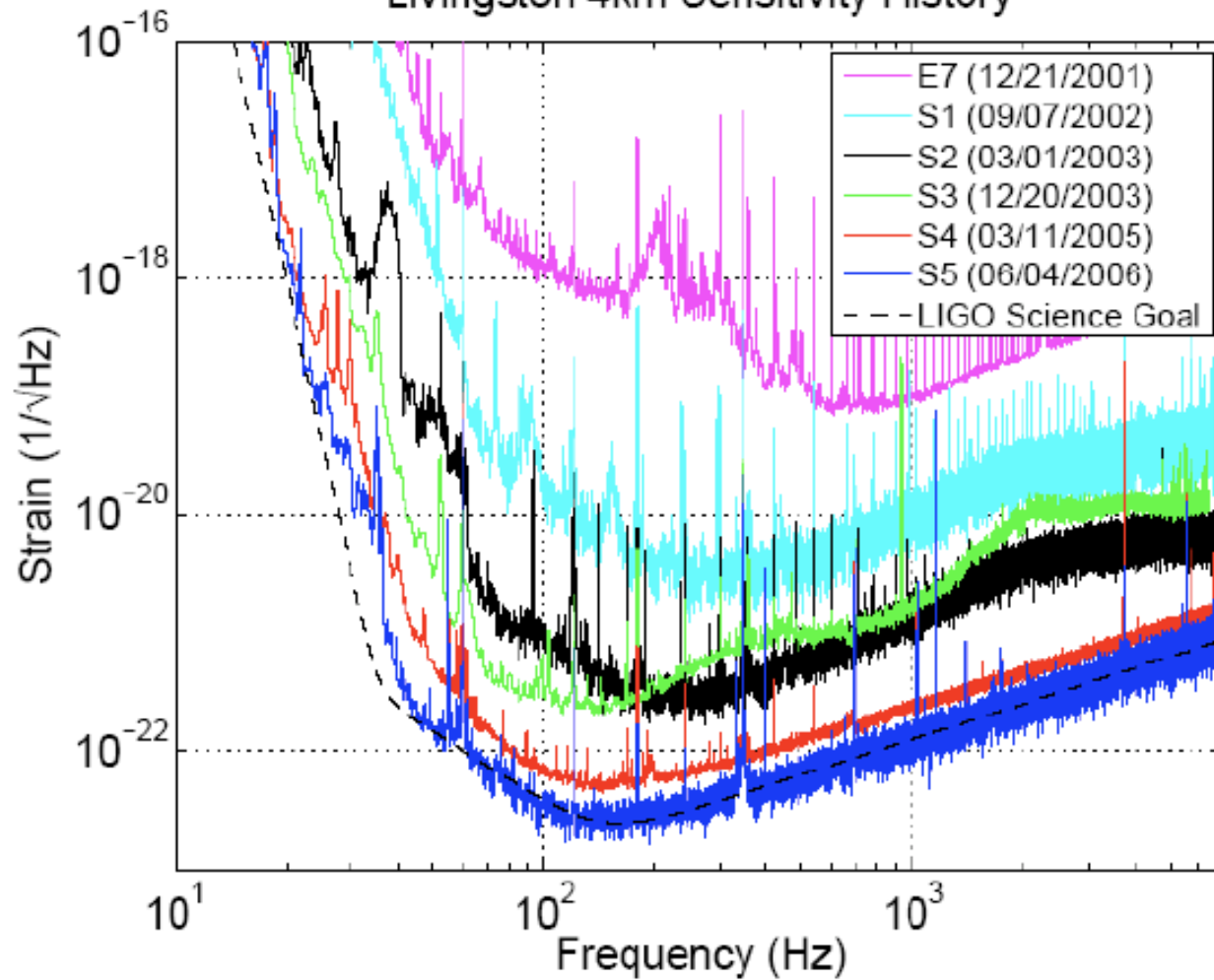


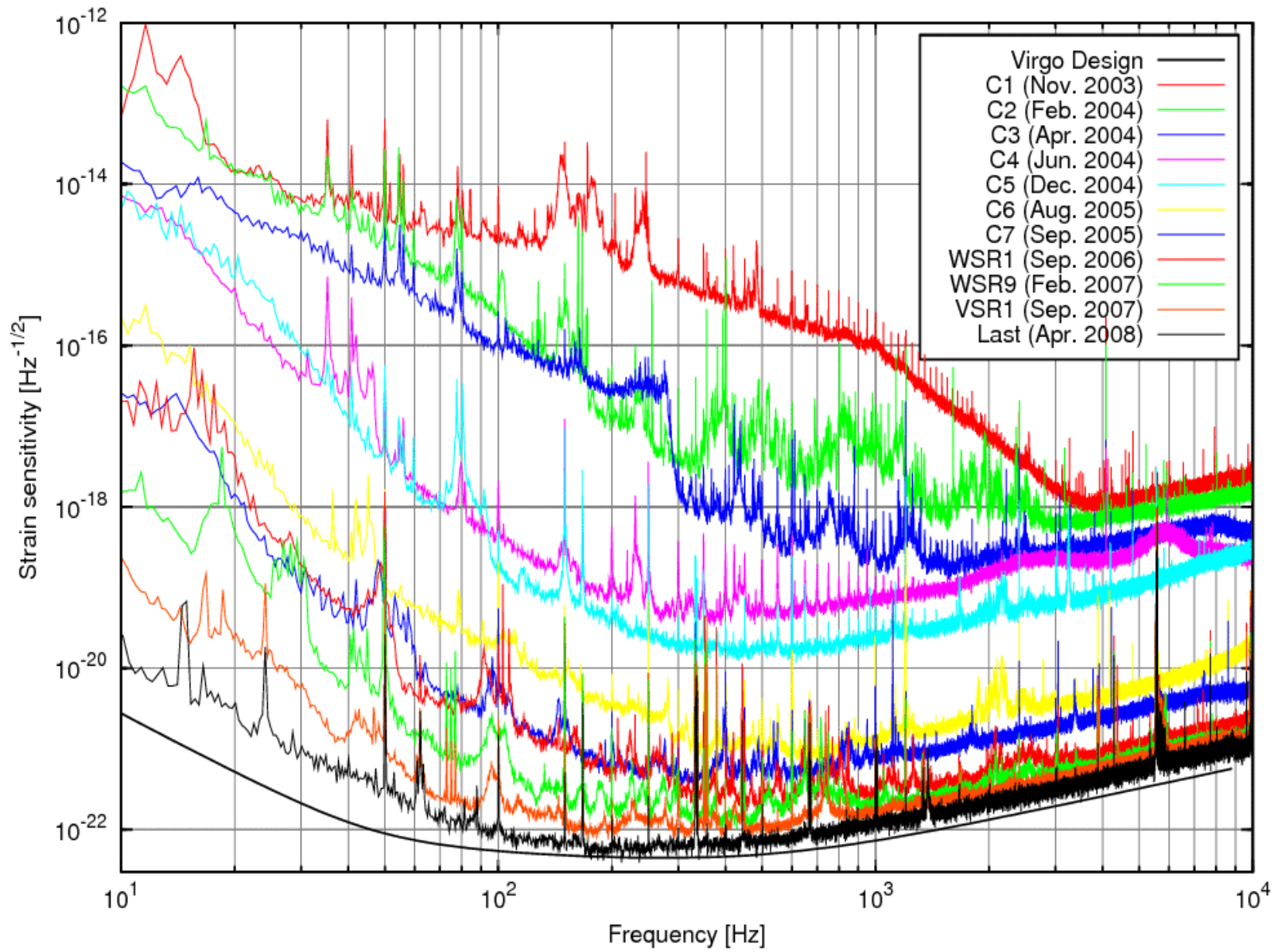
## Main noise sources in interferometric GW detectors



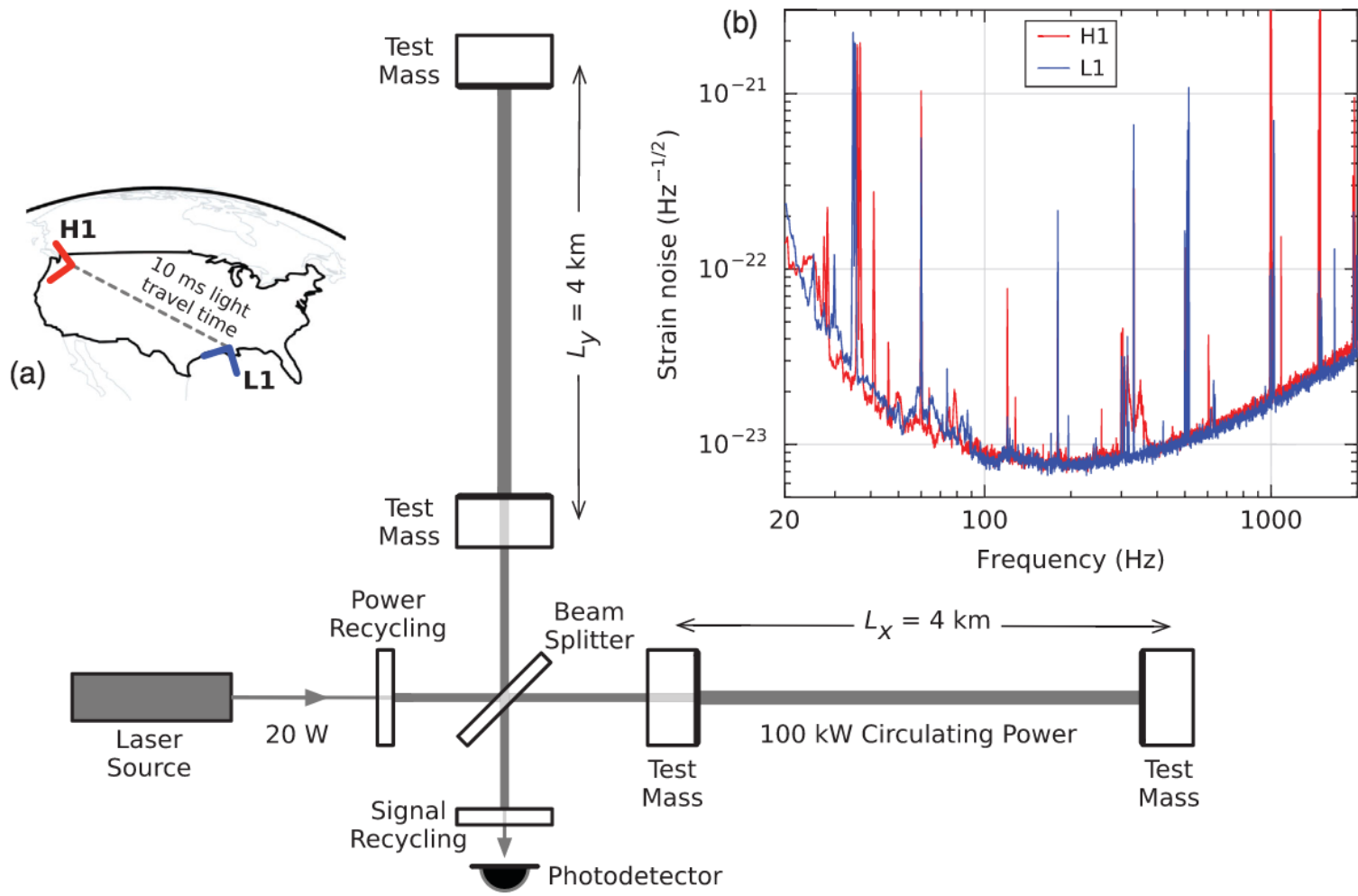


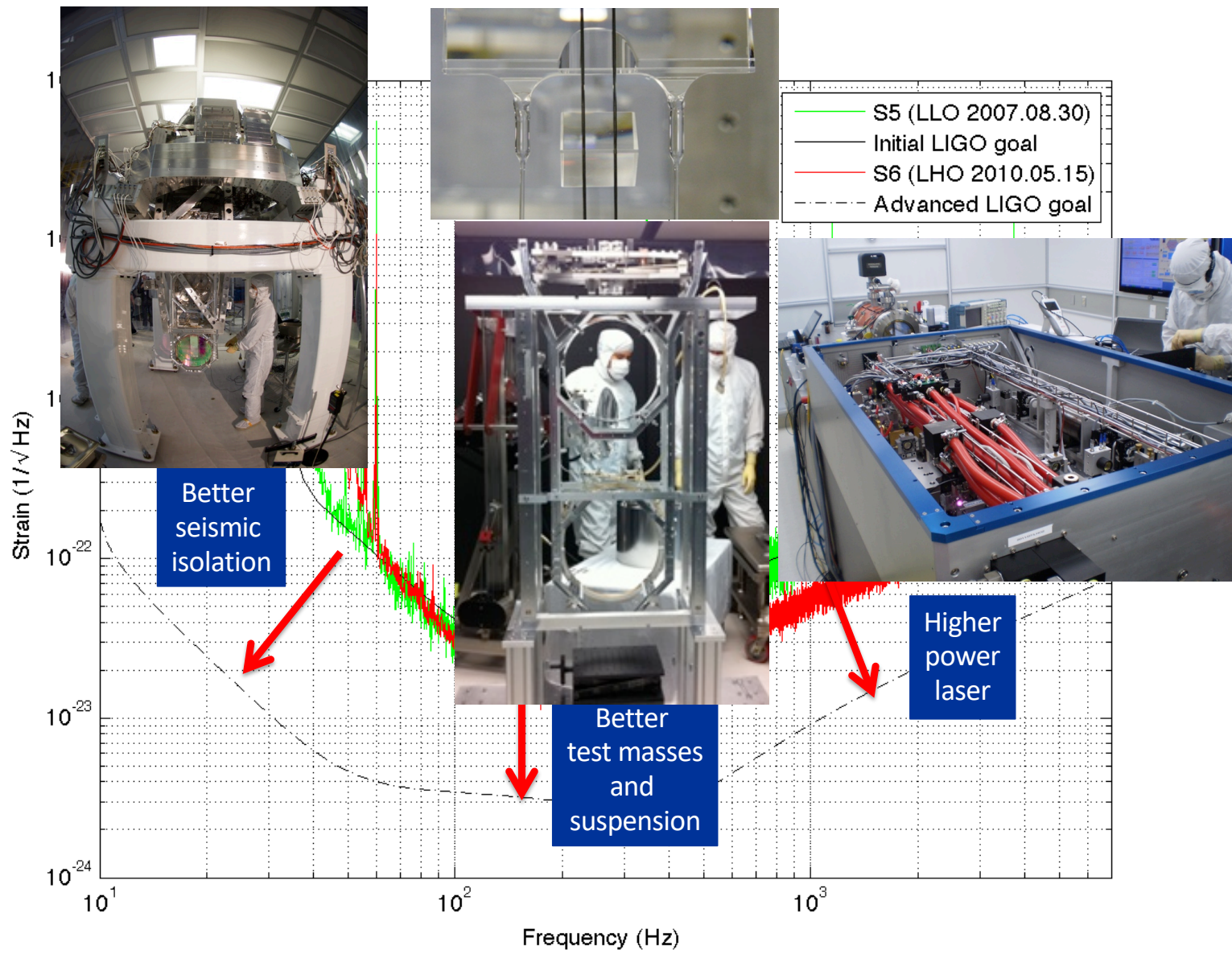
Livingston 4km Sensitivity History






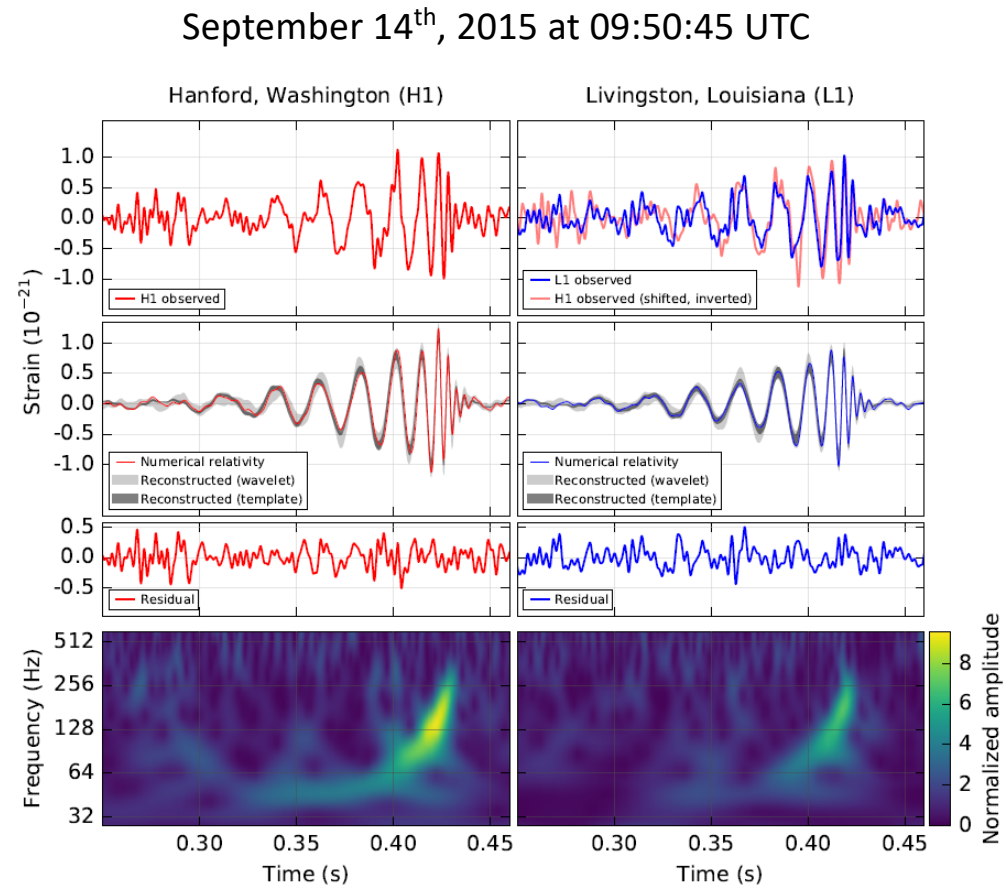






# GW150914: the signal

- Top row left – Hanford
- Top row right – Livingston
- Time difference  $\sim 6.9$  ms with Livingston first
- Second row – calculated GW strain using Numerical Relativity Waveforms for quoted parameters compared to reconstructed waveforms (Shaded)
- Third Row – residuals
- Bottom row – time frequency plot showing frequency increases with time (chirp) 



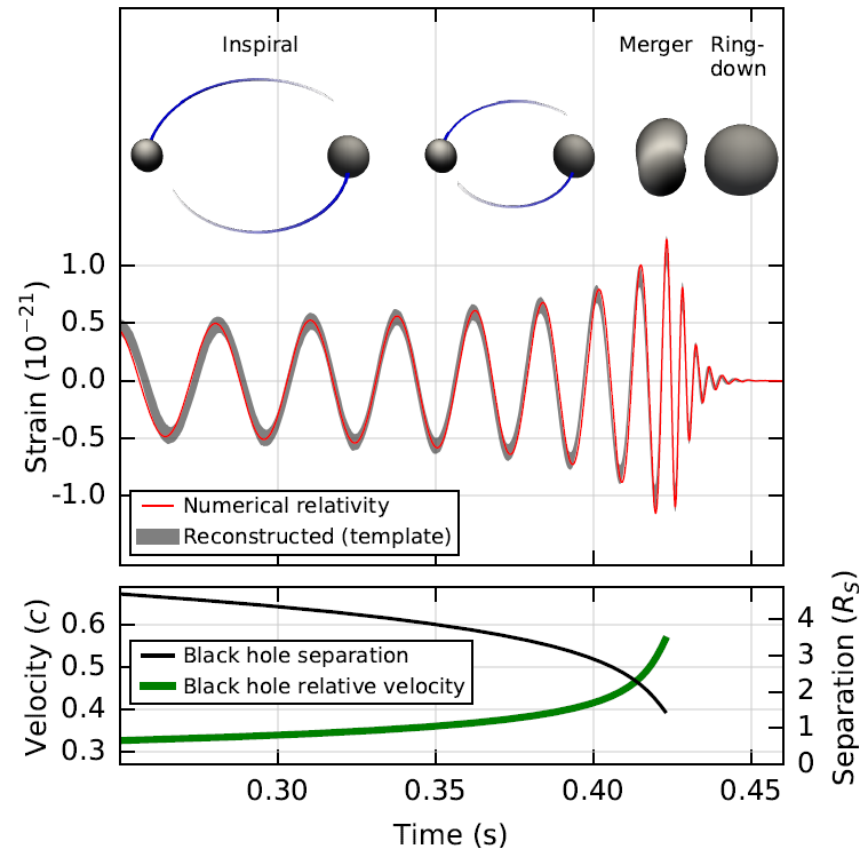
# GW150914: Estimated Strain Amplitude

$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}} = \frac{c^3}{G} \left[ \frac{5}{96} \pi^{-8/3} f^{-11/3} \dot{f} \right]^{3/5}$$

- Numerical relativity models of black hole horizons during coalescence
- Effective black hole separation in units of Schwarzschild radius ( $R_s = 2GM_{\text{tot}}/c^2 = 210\text{km}$ ); and effective relative velocities given by post-Newtonian parameter  $v/c = (GM_{\text{tot}}\pi f_{\text{GW}}/c^3)^{1/3}$

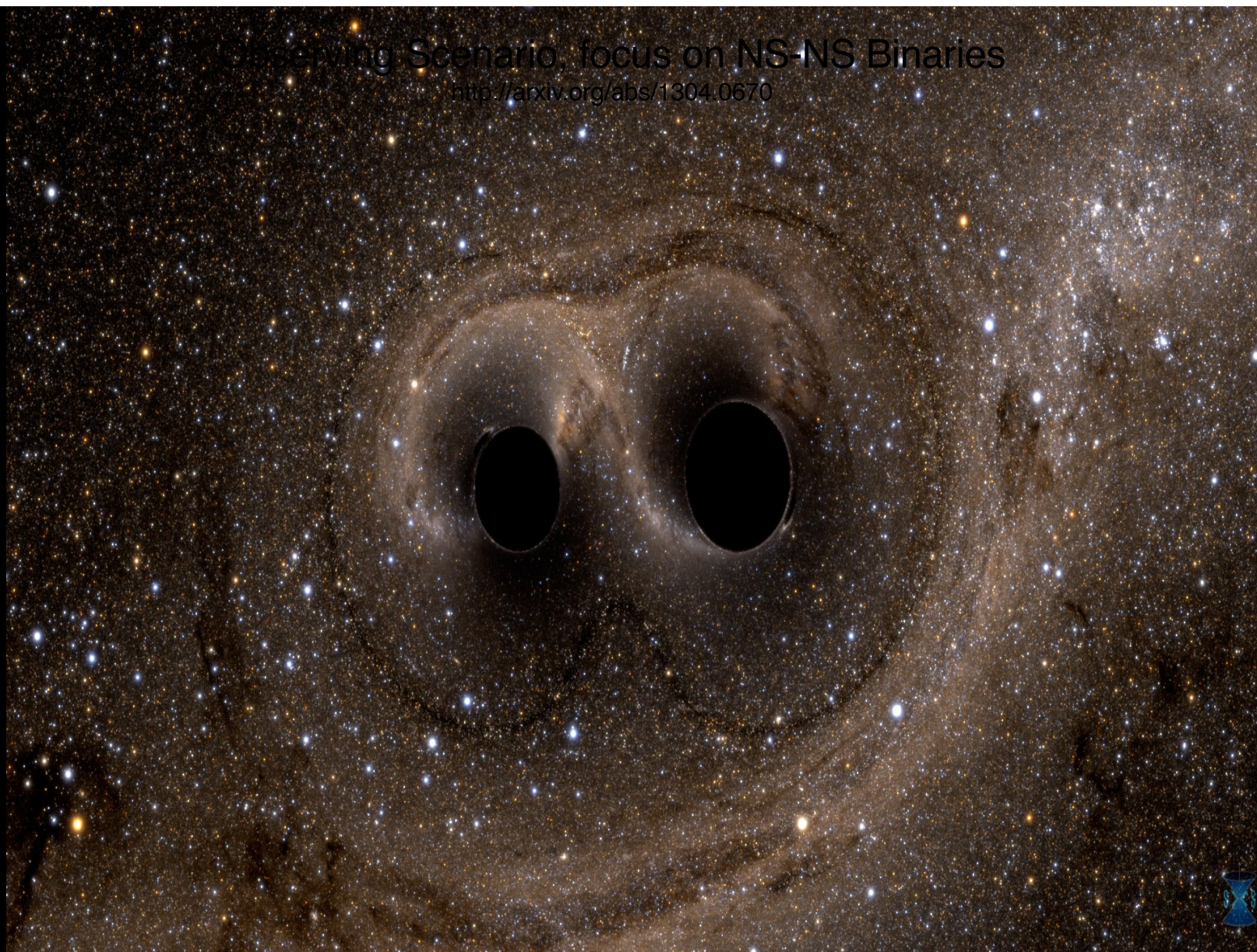
## Binary Black Hole System

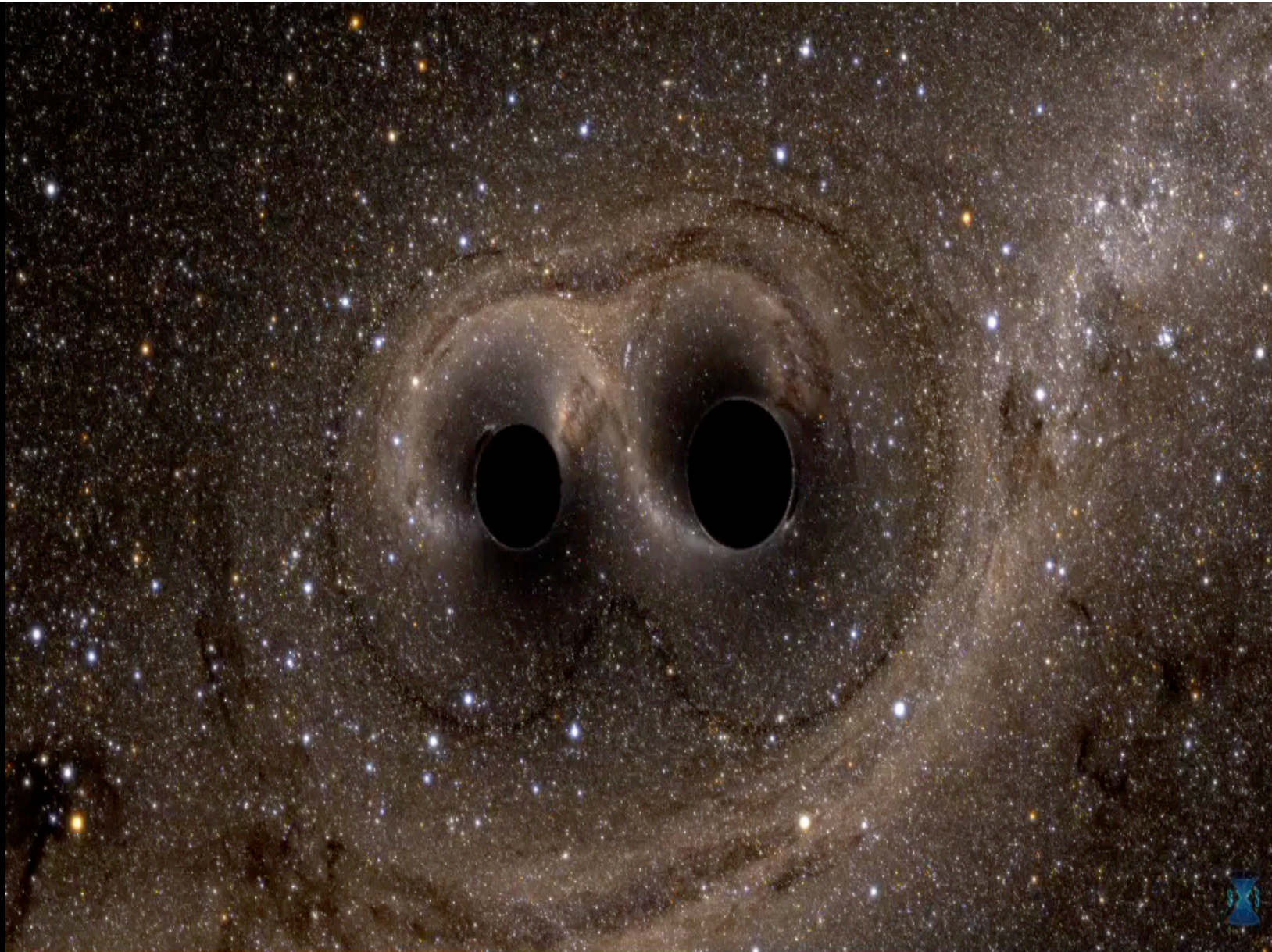
- $M_1 = 36 \pm 4 M_{\text{sol}}$
- $M_2 = 29 \pm 4 M_{\text{sol}}$
- Final Mass =  $62 \pm 4 M_{\text{sol}}$
- distance =  $410 \pm 160 \text{--} 180 \text{ Mpc}$  (redshift  $z = 0.09$ )

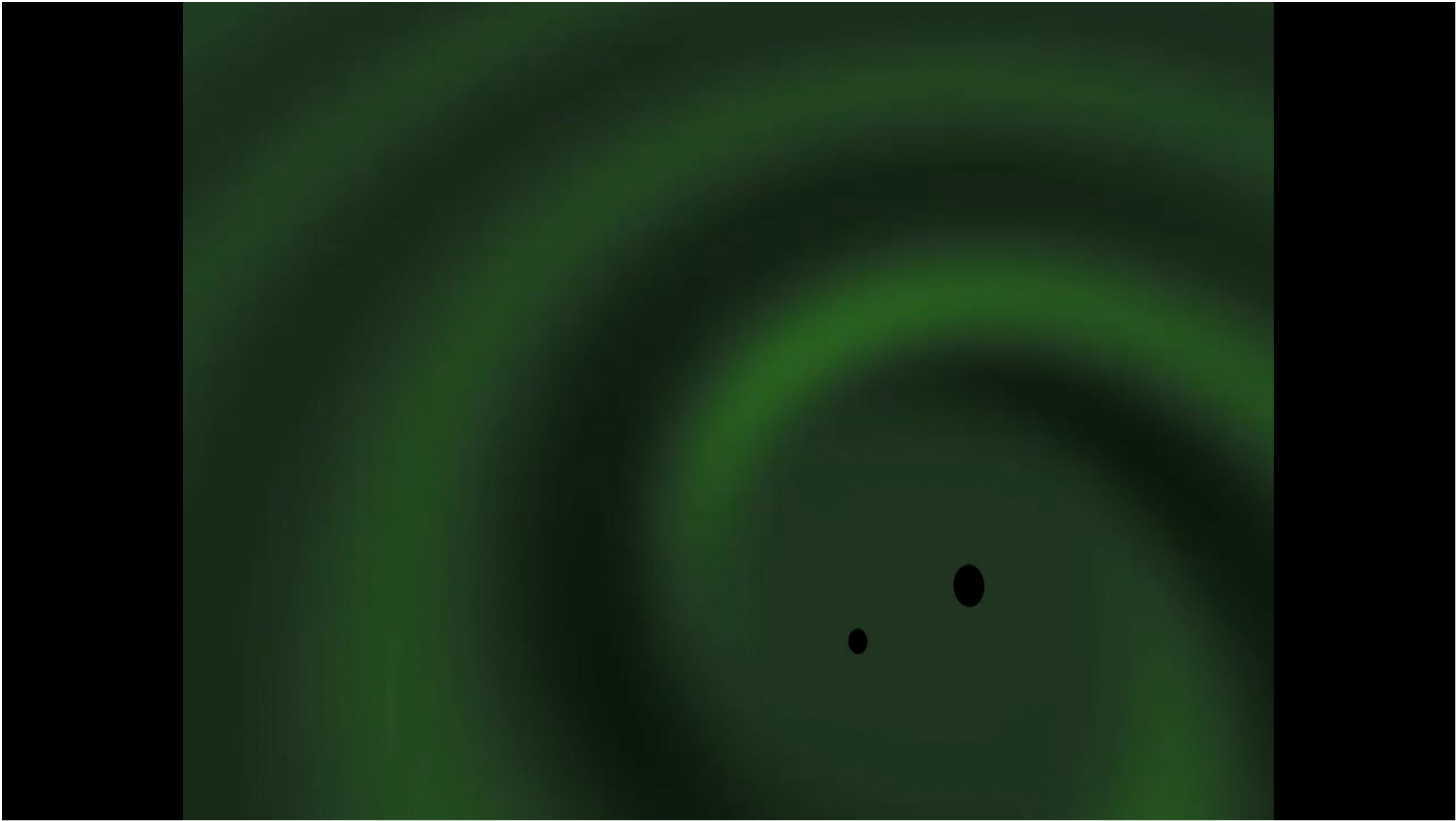


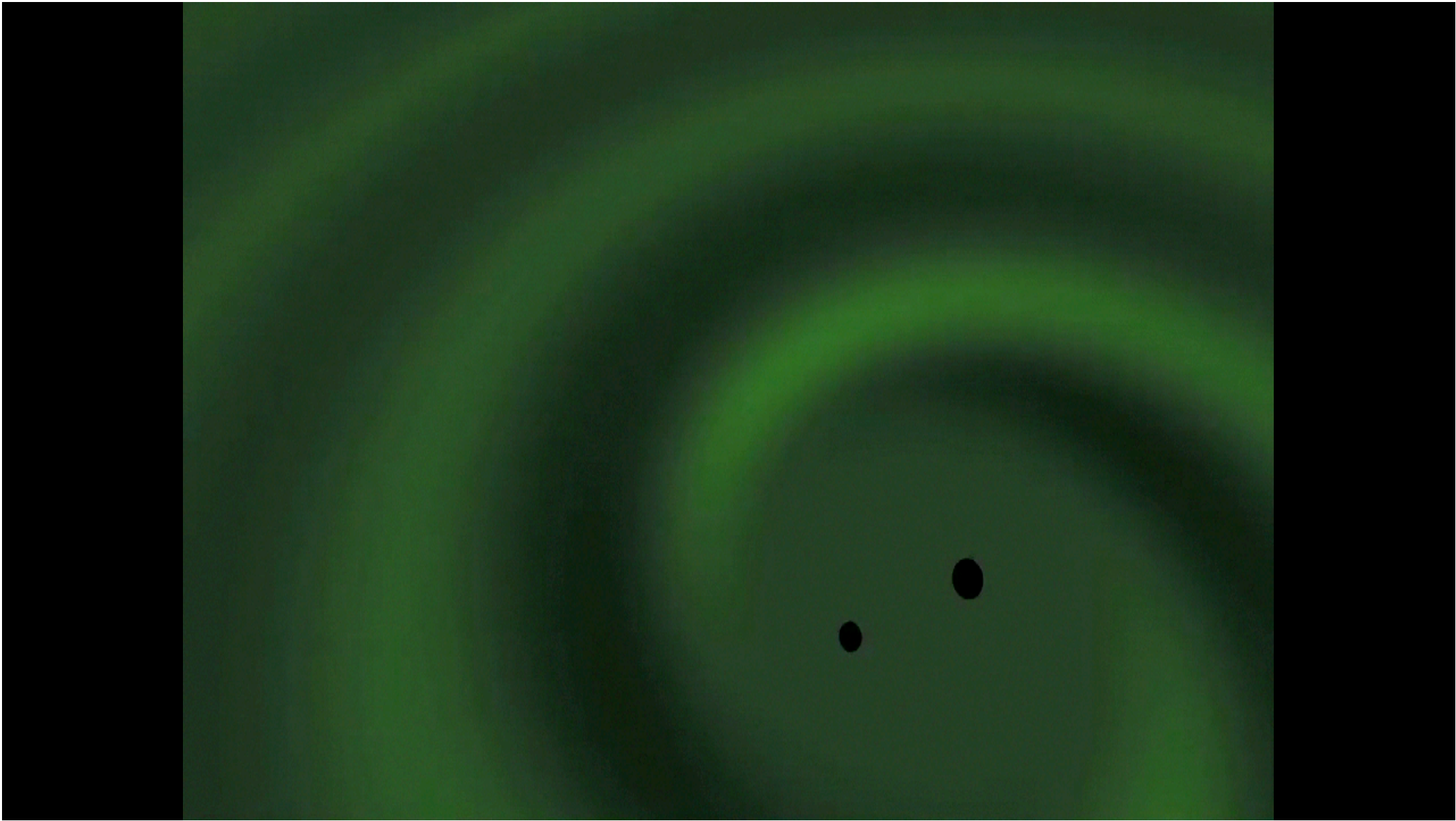
# Observing Scenario, focus on NS-NS Binaries

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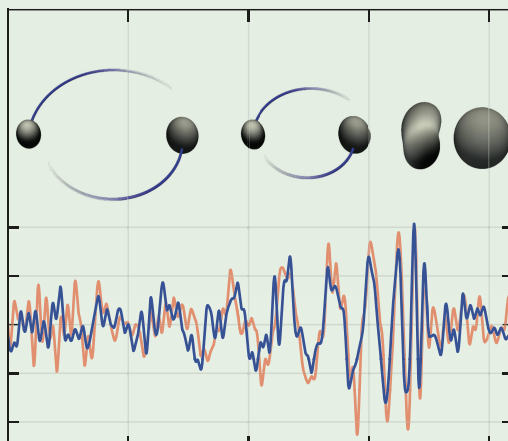




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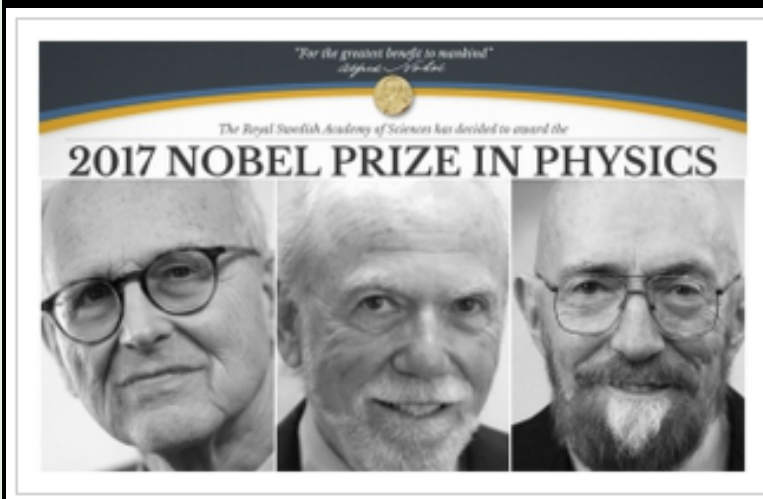
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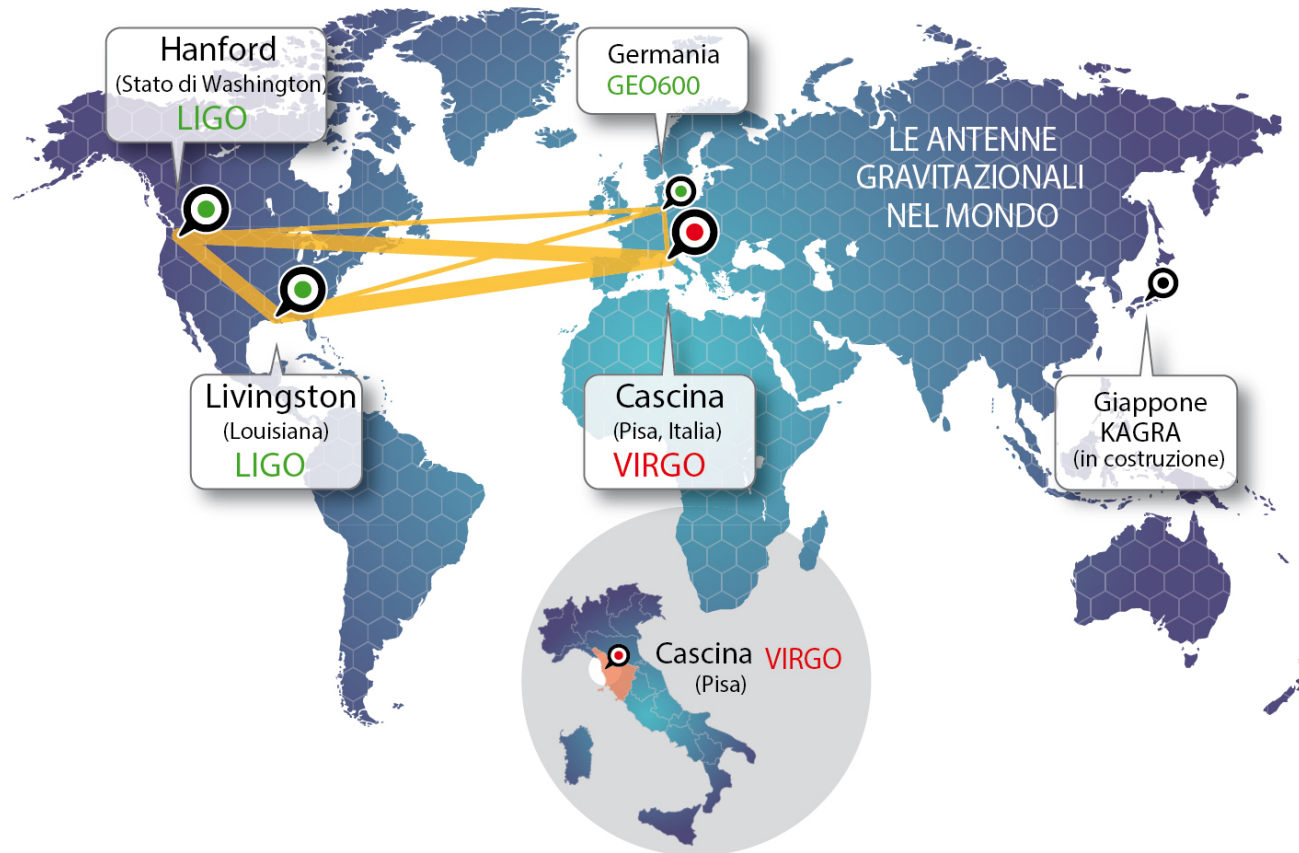
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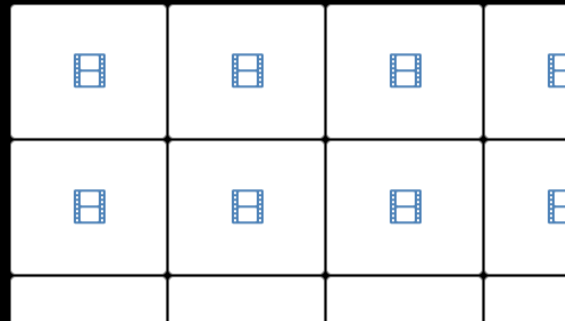
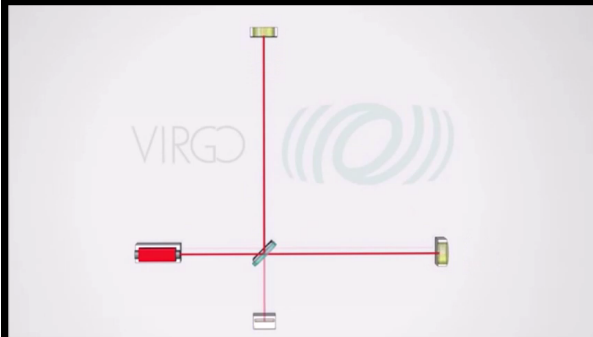
Break ?

# Global Network of Detectors





## Current GW detectors



# Bounding graviton mass

- If gravitation is propagated by a massive field, then the velocity of GWs (gravitons) will depend upon their frequency as

$$\frac{v_g}{c} = 1 - \left( \frac{c}{f \lambda_g} \right)^2$$

$\lambda_g = h/m_g c$  is the graviton Compton wavelength.

- In the case of inspiralling compact binaries, GWs emitted at low frequency early in the inspiral will travel slightly slower than those emitted at high frequency later, resulting in an offset in the relative arrival times at a detector → the **phase evolution of the observed inspiral gravitational waveform is modified**.
- Matched filtering of the waveforms can bound such frequency-dependent variations in propagation speed → bound the graviton mass

## Compton Wave-length of the Graviton

C. M. Will, Phys. Rev. D 57, 2061 (1998).

- We assume a modified dispersion relation for gravitational waves

$$(v_g/c)^2 = 1 - \{\hbar c / (\lambda_g E)\}^2$$

- In the massive graviton theory an extra phase term is added to the CBC evolution (formally a 1PN order term)

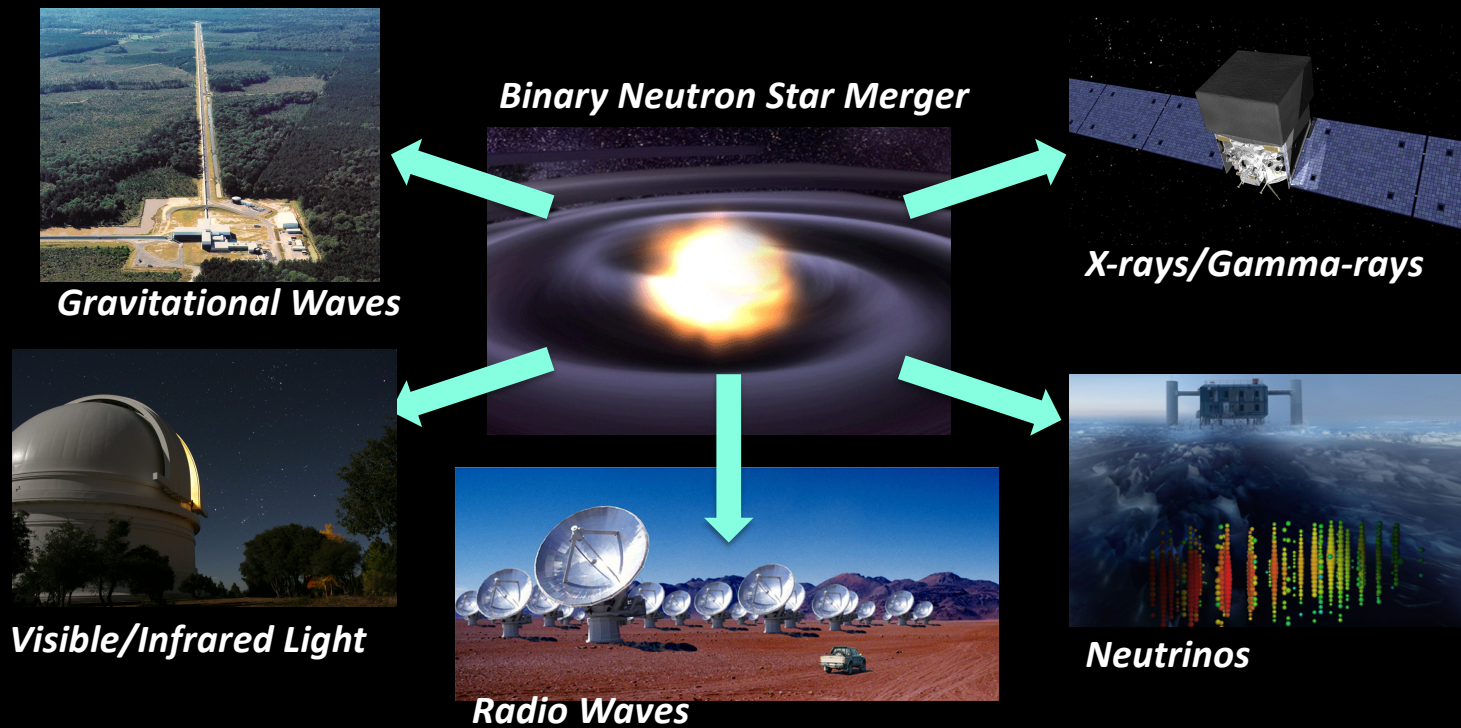
$$\phi_{MG}(f) = -(\pi D c) / [\lambda_g^2 (1+z) f]$$

- Our constrain on the 1PN terms permit to derive a down limit for the Compton wavelength of the graviton

$$\lambda_g = 2 \pi \hbar / (m_g c) > 10^{13} \text{ km}$$

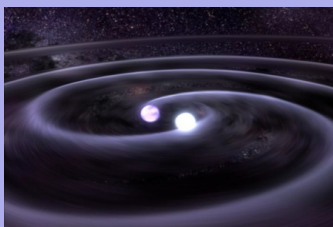
- It corresponds to a limit  $m_g < 1.2 \times 10^{-22} \text{ eV}/c^2$ .
  - limit better than that set by Solar System observations
  - thousand time better of the binary pulsar bounds
  - worse than bounds from dynamics of galaxy clusters and weak lensing observations (model- dependent bounds)

# Multi-Messenger Astronomy: Gravitational Wave + Photons + Neutrinos



A goal of **LIGO** and **Virgo** interferometers is the **first direct detection** of gravitational waves from **ENERGETIC ASTROPHYSICAL** events:

- Mergers of Neutron Stars and/or Black Holes → **SHORT GRB**  
→ **Kilonovas**
- Core Collapse of Massive Stars → **Supernovae**  
→ **LONG GRB**
- Cosmic String Cusps → **EM burst**

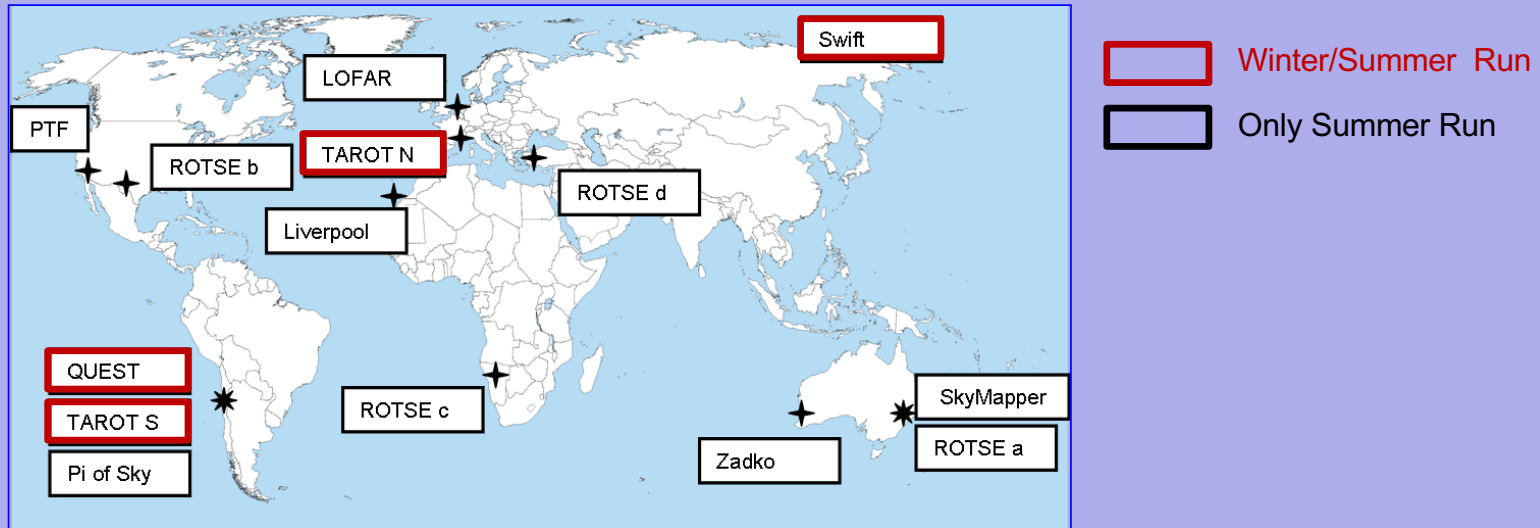


**Main motivations for joint GW/EM observations:**

- Increase the GW detection confidence;
- Get a precise (arcsecond) localization, identify host galaxy;
- Provide insight into the progenitor physics;
- In the long term start a joint GW/EM cosmology.



## Ground-based and space EM facilities observing the sky at Optical, X-ray and Radio wavelengths involved in the follow-up program



### Optical Telescopes

#### TAROT SOUTH/NORTH

1.86° X 1.86° FOV

#### Zadko

25 X 25 arcmin FOV



#### ROTSE

1.85 ° X 1.85° FOV



#### QUEST

9.4 square degree FOV

#### SkyMapper

5.6 square degree FOV



#### Pi of the Sky

20° X 20° FOV

#### Palomar Transient Factory

7.8 square degree FOV

#### Liverpool telescope

4.6 X 4.6 arcmin FOV

### X-ray and UV/Optical Telescope

#### Swift Satellite

0.4° X 0.4° FOV



### Radio Interferometer

#### LOFAR

10 – 250 MHz



# GW Online Analysis



H1 L1 V1

**Omega & cWB** for Unmodeled Bursts  
**MBTA** for signals from Compact Binary Coalescence

- LIGO (H1 and L1) and Virgo (V1) interferometers
- Search algorithms to identify triggers



GRACE DB ARCHIVE

**LUMIN** for Optical Telescopes  
**GEM** for Swift

- Select Statistically Significant Triggers
- Determine Pointing Locations

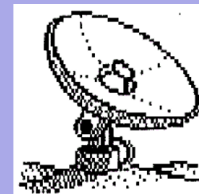
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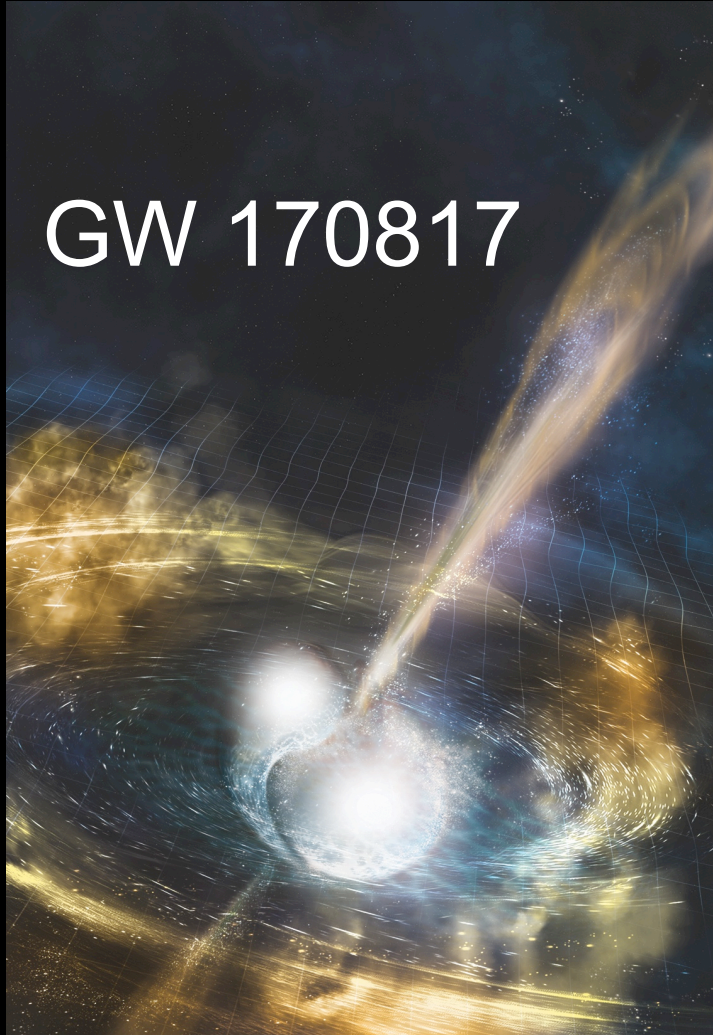
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Send alert to telescope



17 August 2017

GW 170817



## Scientists to discuss new developments in gravitational-wave astronomy

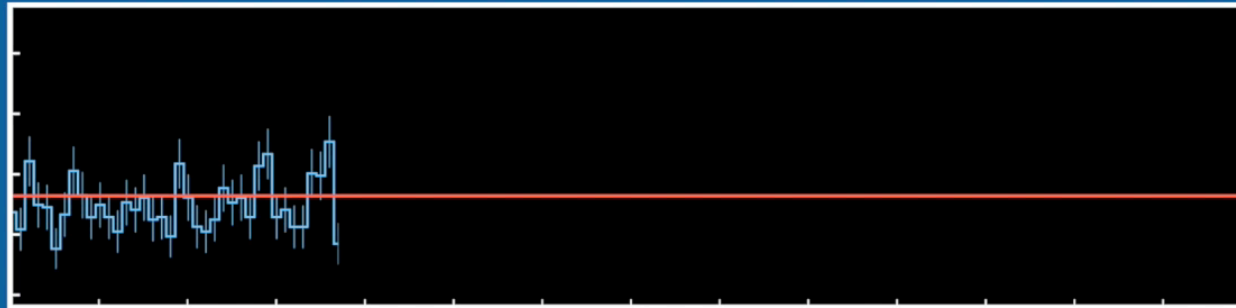
Scientists representing LIGO, Virgo, and some 70 observatories will reveal new details and discoveries made in the ongoing search for gravitational waves.

**WHAT:** Journalists are invited to join the National Science Foundation as it brings together scientists from the LIGO and Virgo collaborations, as well as representatives for some 70 observatories, on Monday, October 16, at 10:00 a.m. EDT at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.

The gathering will begin with an overview of new findings from LIGO, Virgo, and partners that span the globe, followed by details from telescopes that work with the LIGO and Virgo Collaboration to study extreme events in the cosmos.



## Fermi (light)



## LIGO (gravitational waves)

Credit: NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center/CI Lab




Credit: N. Risinger (skysurvey.org), LIGO-Virgo, Digitized Sky Survey 2, ESO.

# Periodic Table of the Elements

1 H																	2 He
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe
55 Cs	56 Ba	72 Hf	73 Ta	74 W	75 Re	76 Os	77 Ir	78 Pt	79 Au	80 Hg	81 Tl	82 Pb	83 Bi	84 Po	85 At	86 Rn	
87 Fr	88 Ra																
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			89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U											

**Yellow: Formed by Merging Neutron Stars**

Credit: Jennifer Johnson/SDSS



**RIPPLES OF GRAVITY,  
FLASHES OF LIGHT:**

**WORLD'S OBSERVATORIES  
WITNESS A COSMIC CATAclySM**

Earth

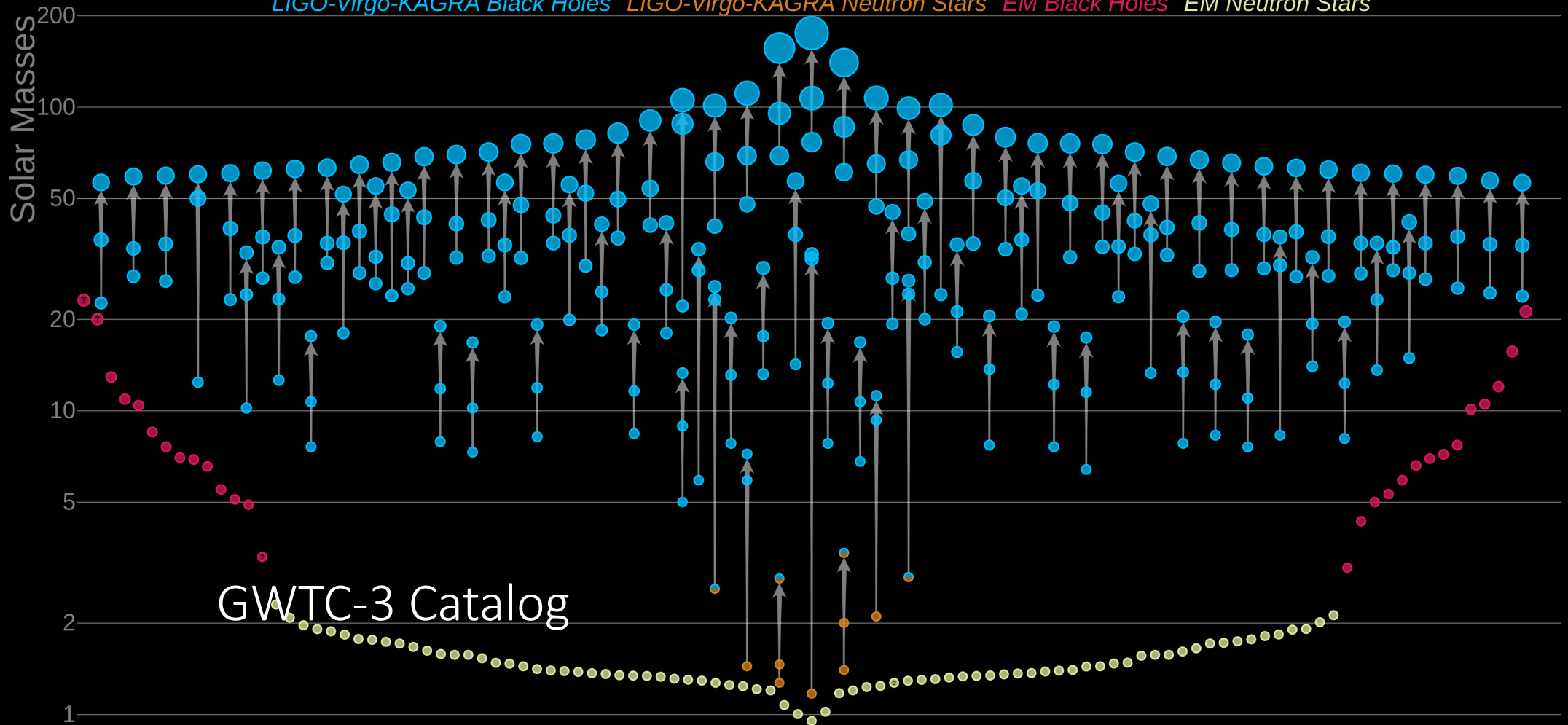
Space





# Masses in the Stellar Graveyard

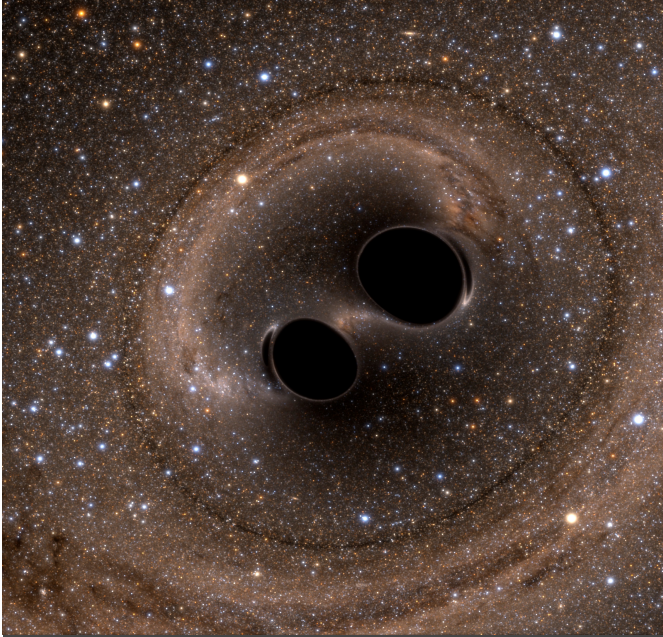
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# Monumental successes of the Advanced detectors

- First detection of GWs from a BBH system (GW150914)
  - Physics of BHs
- First detection of GWs from a BNS system (GW170817)
  - Birth of the multimessenger astronomy with GWs
  - Constraining EOS of NS
- Localisation capabilities of a GW source
- Measurement of the GW propagation speed
- Test of GR
- Alternative measurement of  $H_0$
- GW polarisations
- Intermediate mass black hole (GW190521)

Many remarkable results in astrophysics and in fundamental physics have already been obtained thanks to these first detections. To mention only a few highlights:

- the observation of the BNS coalescence GW170817 **solved the long-standing problem of the origin of (at least some) short gamma ray bursts;**
- the observations of the associated kilonova **revealed that BNS mergers are a major formation site of the heaviest elements through r-process nucleosynthesis;**
- the observation of tens of BBH coalescences has **revealed a previously unknown population of stellar-mass BHs, much heavier than those detected through the observation of X-ray binaries, and has shown that BBH exist, and coalesce within a Hubble time at a detectable rate.**

## Concerning fundamental physics, cosmology and General Relativity (GR):

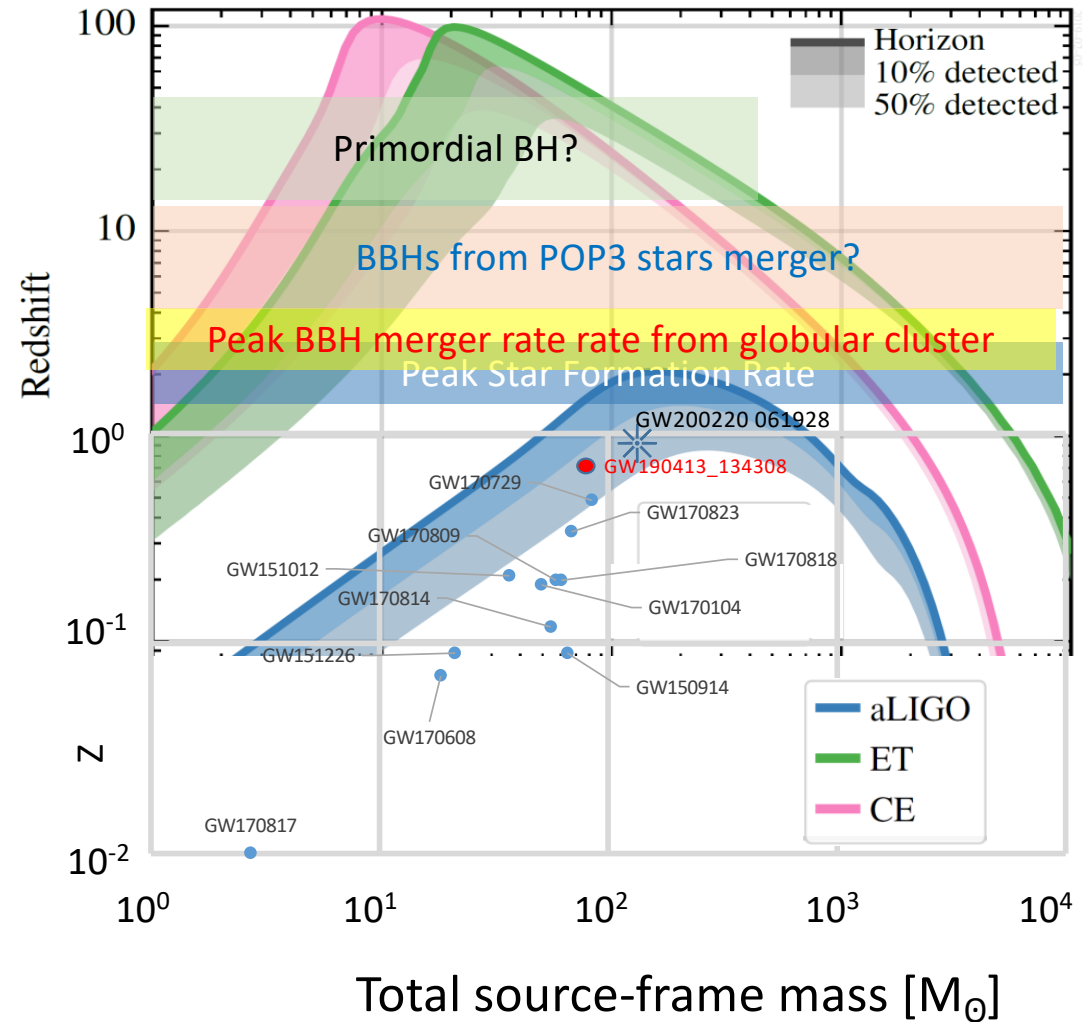
- the observation of the GWs and the gamma-ray burst from the BNS GW170817 proved that **the speed of GWs is the same as the speed of light to about a part in  $10^{15}$**  ;
- the GW signal, together with the electromagnetic determination of the redshift of the source, provided **the first measurement of the Hubble constant with GWs**;
- the tail of the waveform of the first observed event, GW150914, showed oscillations **consistent with the prediction from General Relativity for the quasi-normal modes of the final BH**;
- several possible deviations from GR (graviton mass, post-Newtonian coefficients, modified dispersion relations, etc.) could be tested and bounded.

The present second-generation detectors such as Advanced LIGO, Advanced Virgo, and KAGRA (LVK) have the potential to push their sensitivity further, but the possible enhancements are limited by the current available infrastructure.

For this reason, since more than ten years, the GW community is preparing a third-generation of ground-based detectors: Einstein Telescope (ET) in Europe and Cosmic Explorer (CE) in the US.

These instruments will be hosted in completely new facilities and feature major technological advancements as compared to the current second-generation detectors, resulting in a predicted gain in terms of sensitivity as large as one order of magnitude compared to LVK in a wide frequency range, as well as an extended bandwidth, especially towards frequencies below 10 Hz.

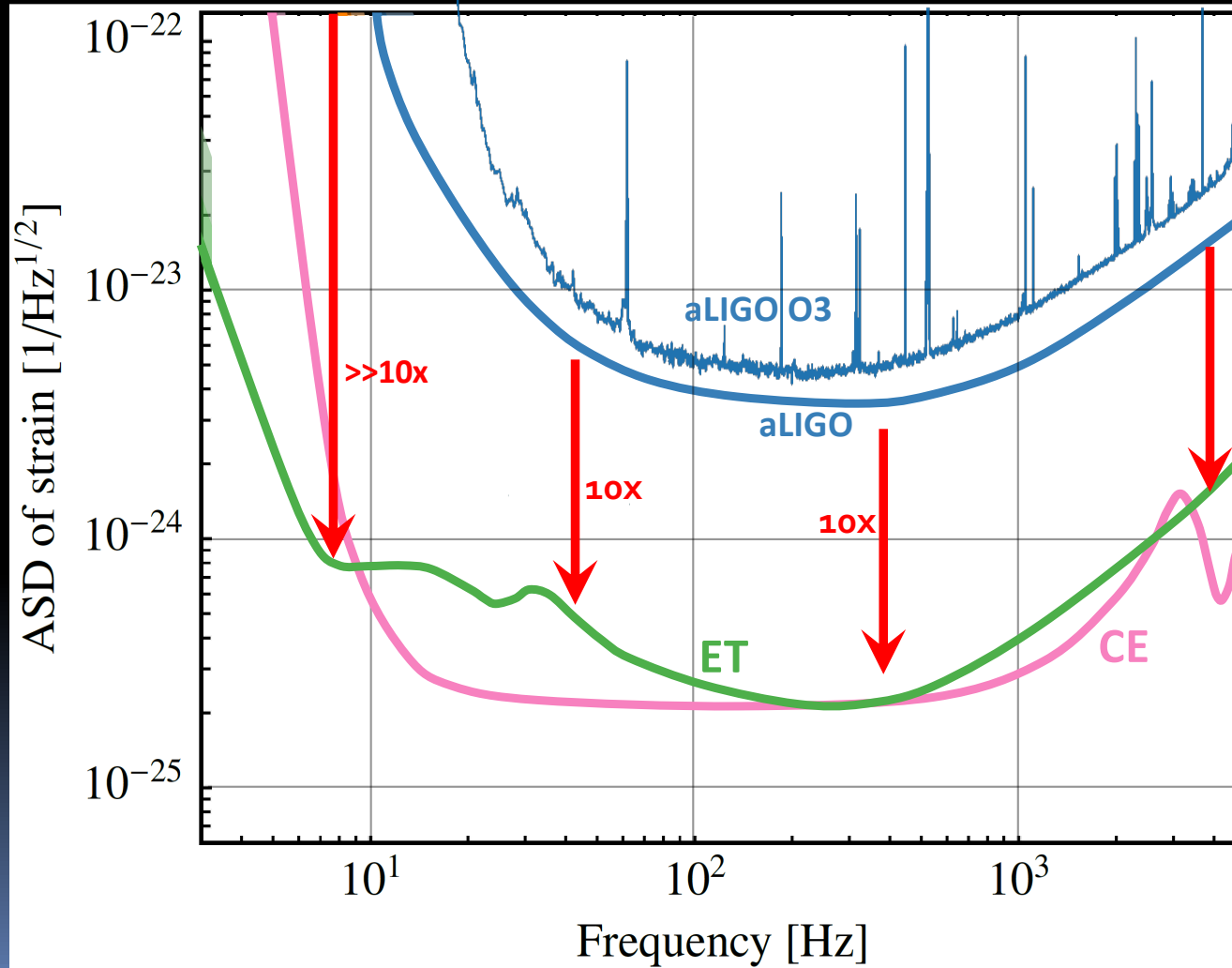
- aLIGO and AdV achieved awesome results with a sensitivity poorer than the nominal one
- When they will reach or over-perform their nominal (updated) sensitivity, can we exploit all the potential of GW observations?
- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation GW detectors will explore the local Universe, even in their post-O5 configuration, initiating precision GW astronomy, but to have cosmological investigations a factor of 10 improvement in terms detection distance is needed



**3G ground-based detectors will be required to access the high redshift Universe**

# 2nd → 3rd Generation

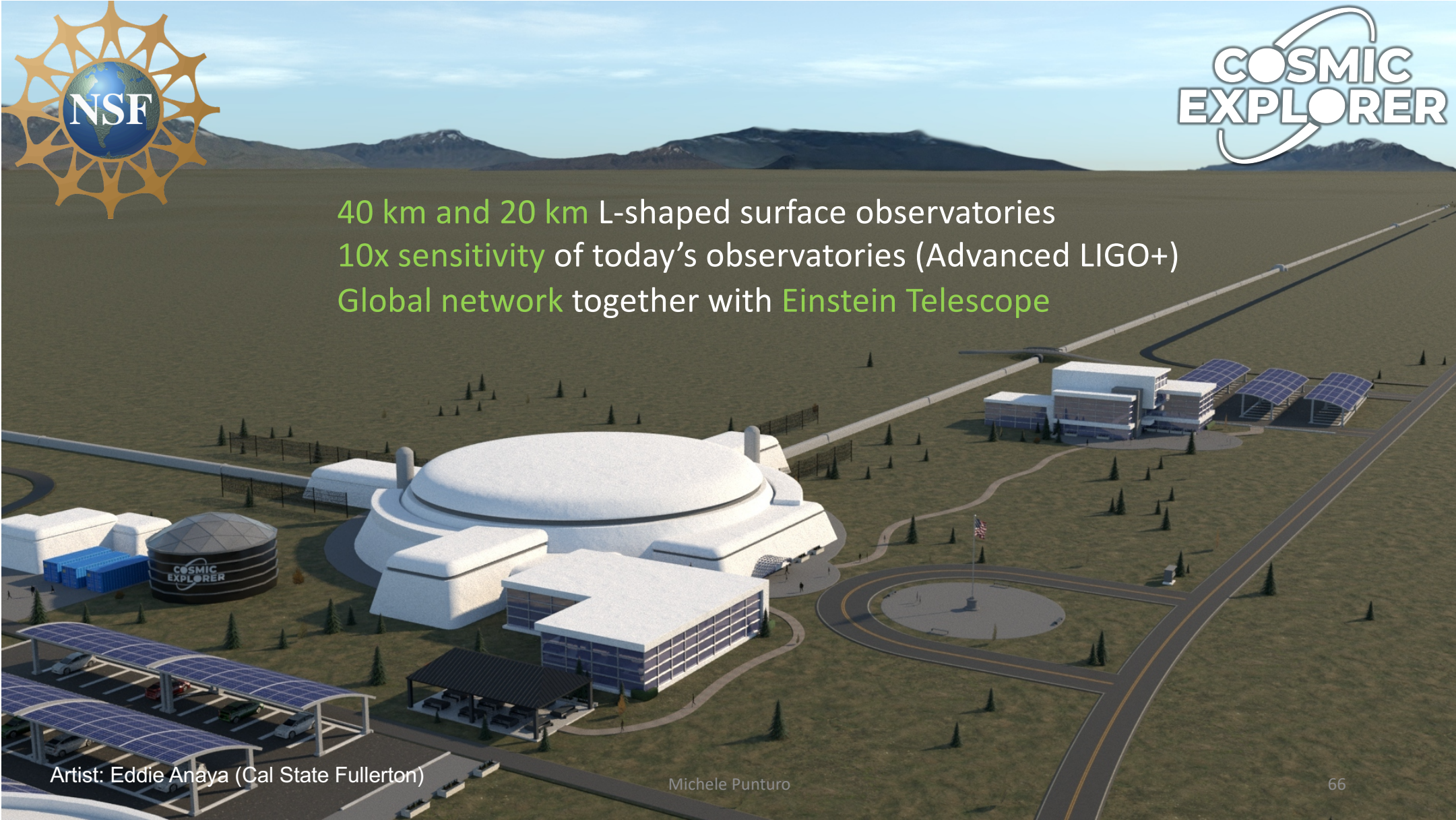
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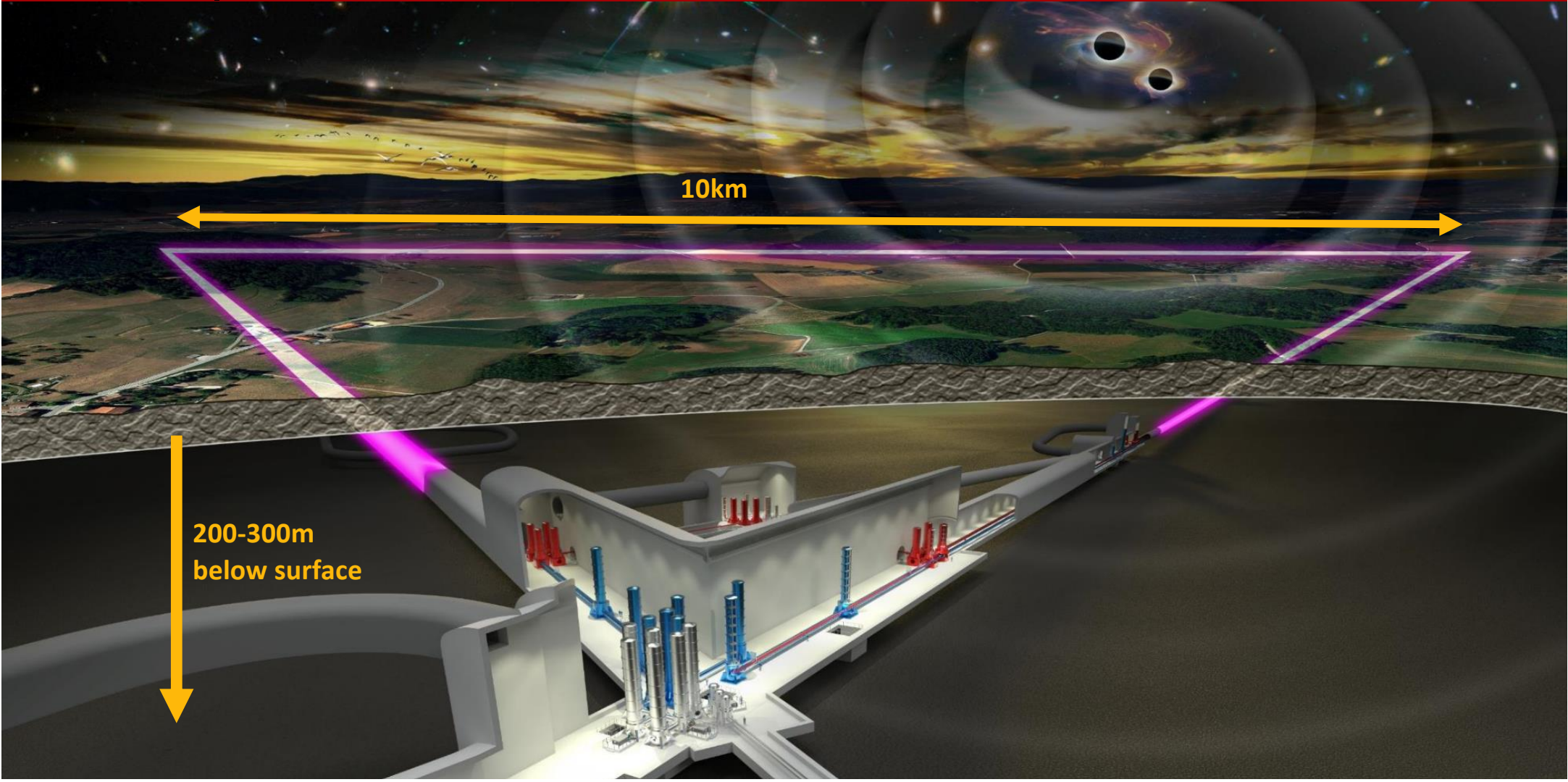
40 km and 20 km L-shaped surface observatories  
10x sensitivity of today's observatories (Advanced LIGO+)  
Global network together with Einstein Telescope



Artist: Eddie Anaya (Cal State Fullerton)

Michele Punturo

# ET: The European 3G GW observatory



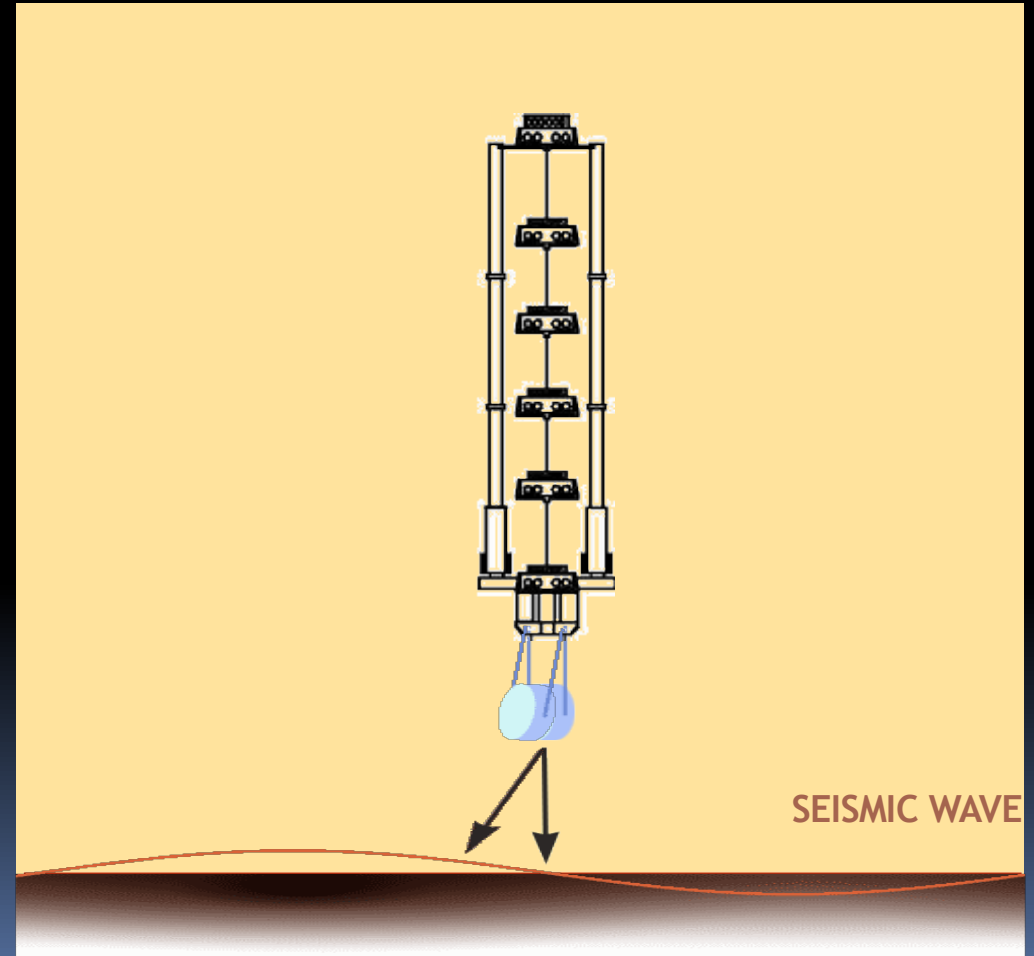
10km

200-300m  
below surface

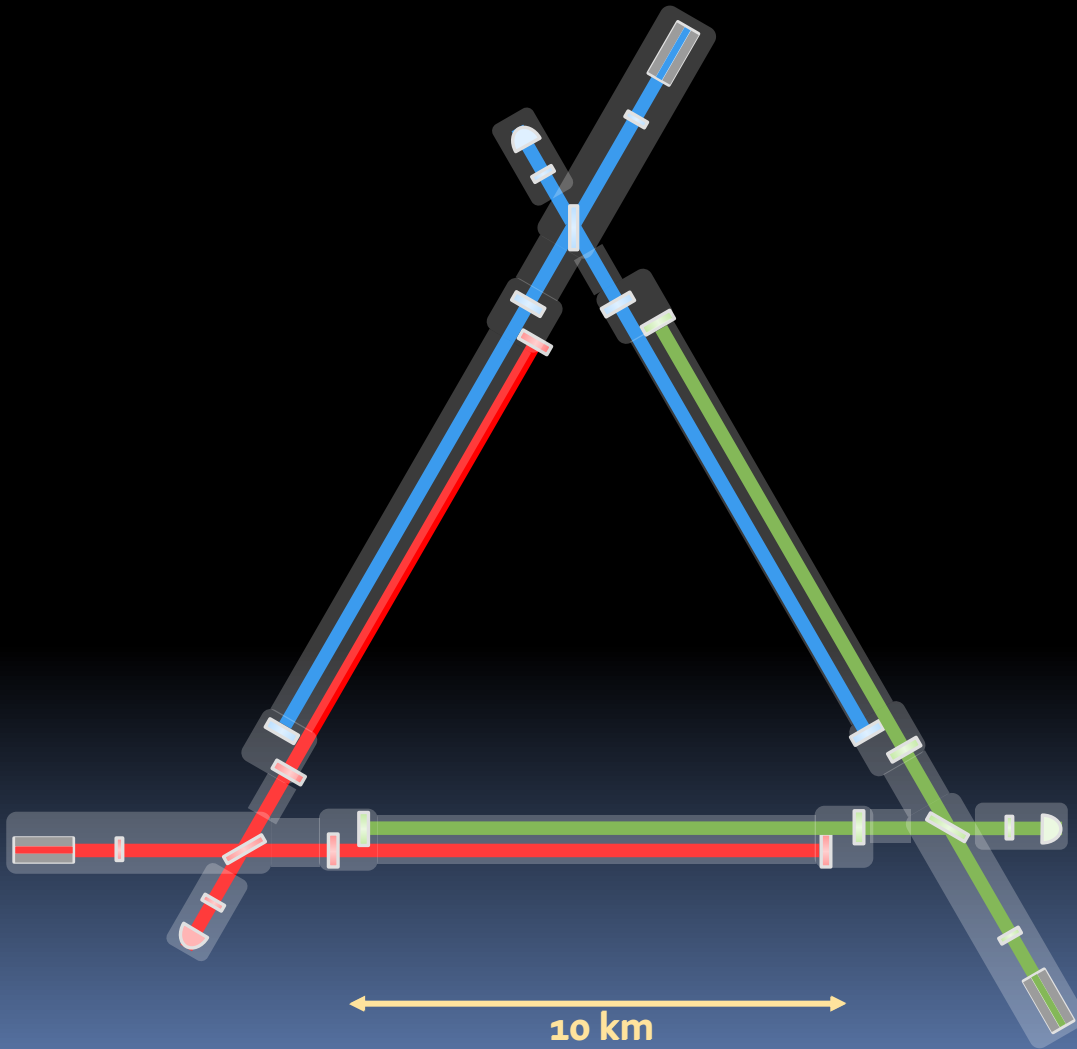
# Newtonian Noise

- Suspension chains can filter seismic noise well enough
- Newtonian Noise circumvents this isolation chain

→  to be built underground



# ET: Shape and size



Trying to optimise tunnel usage →

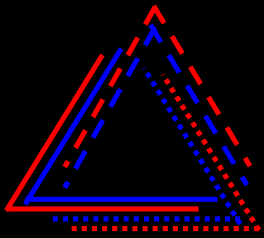
**3 detectors in triangular configuration:**

- Sensitive for both polarisations (+ & x)

- Null Stream:

$$h(t) + h(t) + h(t) = 0$$

allows to distinguish GW signals from noise  
and to do excellent noise characterisation  
of the individual detectors

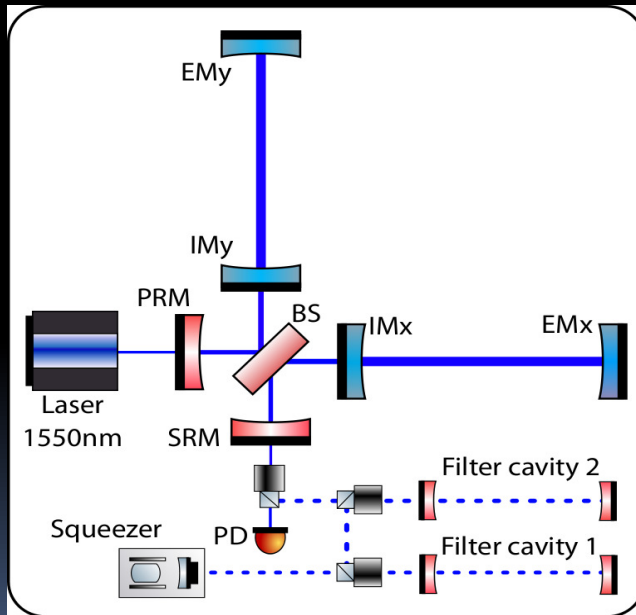


# ET - Xylophone Concept

each detector = two interferometers

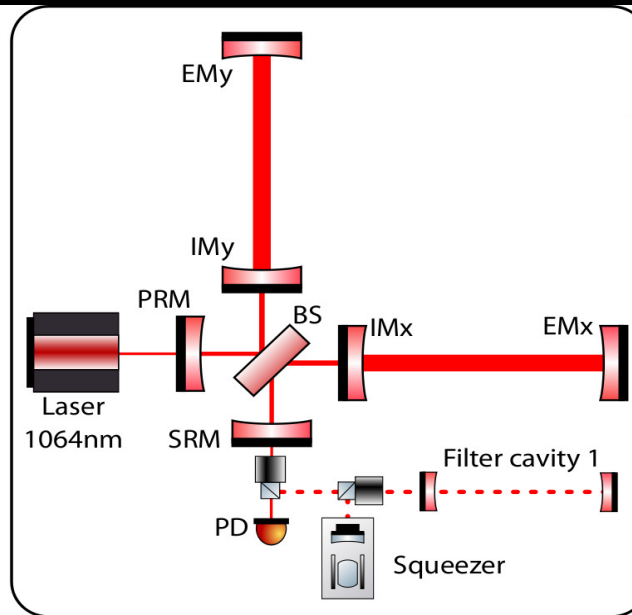
## ET - LF

low-power, cryogenic  
low-frequency detector



## ET - HF

high-power, room-temperature  
high-frequency detector



Optical element,  
Fused Silica,  
room temperature

Optical element,  
Silicon,  
cryogenic

— Laser beam 1550nm  
— Laser beam 1064nm  
- - - - - squeezed light beam

300 K

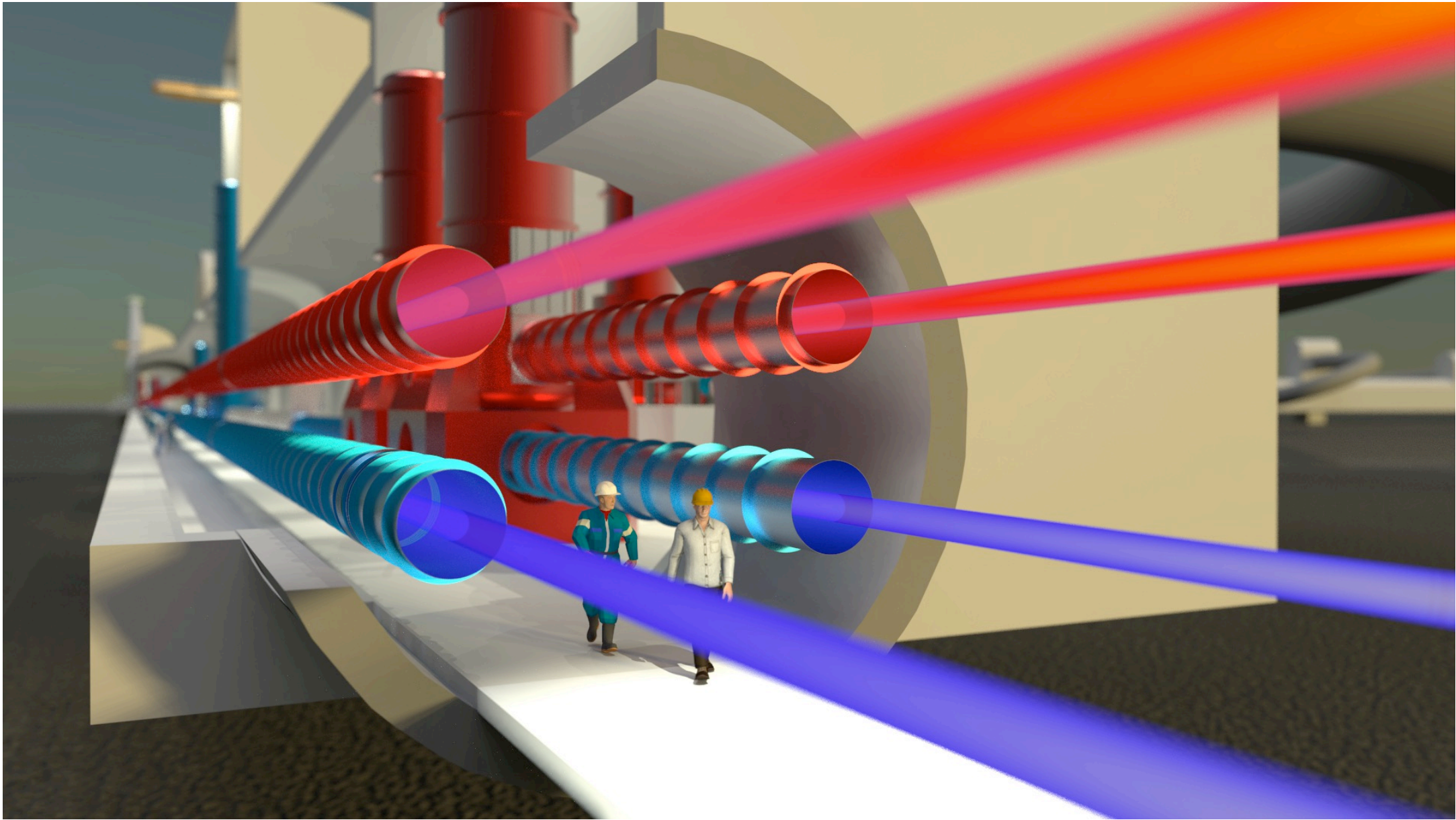
## ET-HF:

- 1064 nm Laser (500W)
- High circulating light power, 3MW
- Thermal compensation
- Large test masses (SiO<sub>2</sub>, 200kg)
- New coatings
- Frequency dependent squeezing

10 – 20 K

## ET-LF:

- Cryogenics
- Long Seismic suspensions (17m towers)
- Silicon (Sapphire) test masses
- Large test masses (200kg, 45cm diam.)
- New coatings
- New laser wavelength (1550nm)
- + low power
- Frequency-dependent squeezing



# ET enabling Technologies

Parameter	ET-HF	ET-LF
Arm length	10 km	10 km
Input power (after IMC)	500 W	3 W
Arm power	3 MW	18 kW
Temperature	290 K	10-20 K
Mirror material	fused silica	silicon
Mirror diameter / thickness	62 cm / 30 cm	45 cm/ 57 cm
Mirror masses	200 kg	211 kg
Laser wavelength	1064 nm	1550 nm
SR-phase (rad)	tuned (0.0)	detuned (0.6)
SR transmittance	10 %	20 %
Quantum noise suppression	freq. dep. squeez.	freq. dep. squeez.
Filter cavities	1x300 m	2x1.0 km
Squeezing level	10 dB (effective)	10 dB (effective)
Beam shape	TEM <sub>00</sub>	TEM <sub>00</sub>
Beam radius	12.0 cm	9 cm
Scatter loss per surface	37 ppm	37 ppm
Seismic isolation	SA, 8 m tall	mod SA, 17 m tall
Seismic (for $f > 1$ Hz)	$5 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}/f^2$	$5 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}/f^2$
Gravity gradient subtraction	none	factor of a few

• The multi-interferometer approach needs two parallel technology developments:

**ET-LF:**

- Underground
- Cryogenics
- Silicon (Sapphire) test masses
- Large test masses
- New coatings
- New laser wavelength
- Seismic suspensions
- Frequency dependent squeezing

**ET-HF:**

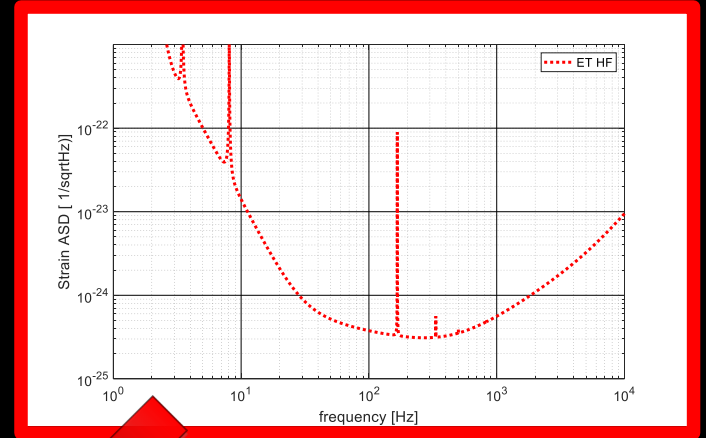
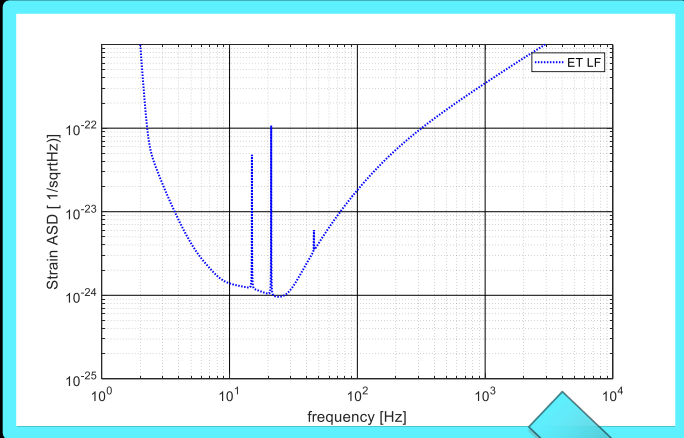
- High power laser
- Large test masses
- New coatings
- Thermal compensation
- Frequency dependent squeezing

- Challenging engineering
- New technology in cryo-cooling
- New technology in optics
- New laser technology
- High precision mechanics and low noise controls
- High quality opto-electronics and new controls

- Evolved laser technology
- Evolved technology in optics
- Highly innovative adaptive optics
- High quality opto-electronics and new controls

# ET Xylophone Sensitivity (CDS)

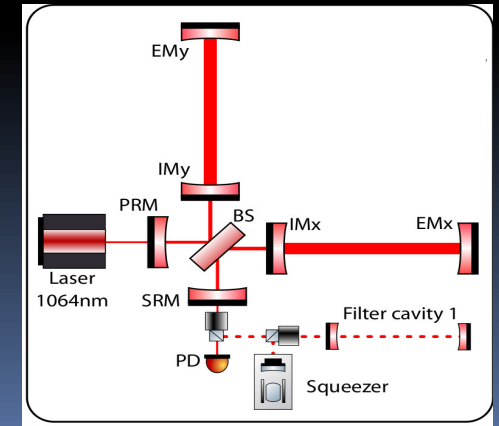
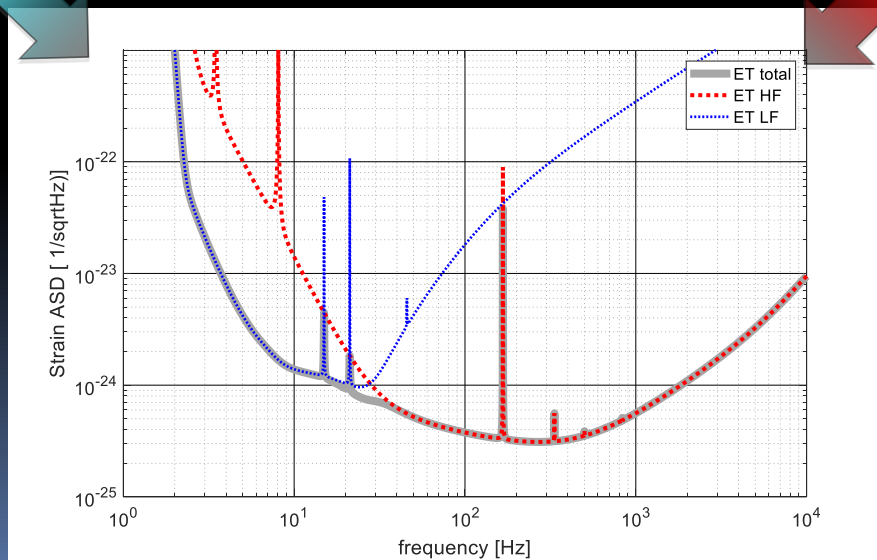
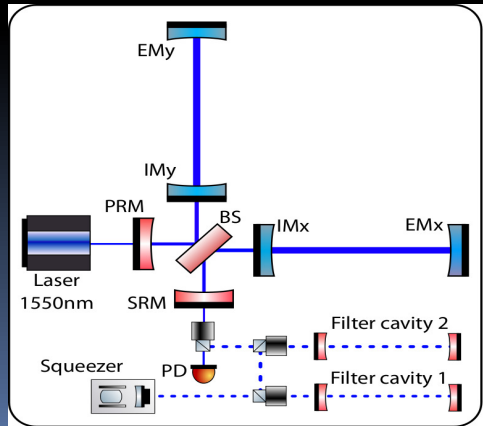
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Noise traces shown here correspond to a single interferometer with an intersection angle of 90° ("L" shape).

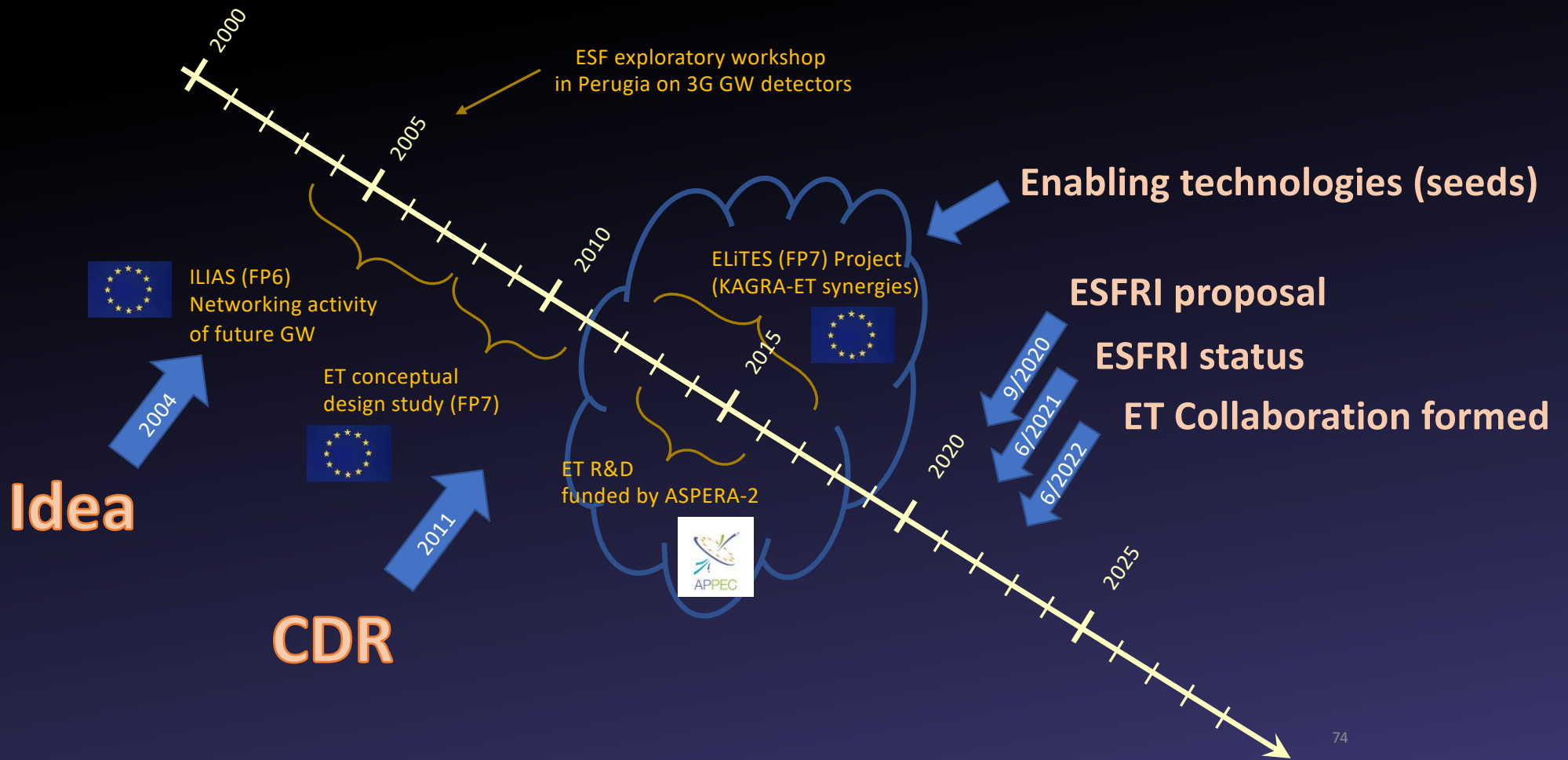
ET-LF

ET-HF





# Einstein Telescope: a long path

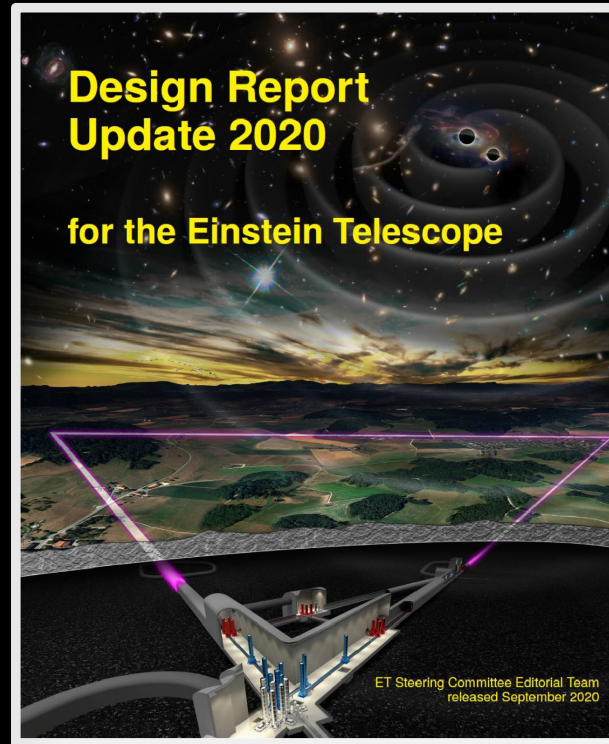


# Einstein Telescope Conceptual Design Reports



[https://tds.virgo-gw.eu/?call\\_file=ET-0106C-10.pdf](https://tds.virgo-gw.eu/?call_file=ET-0106C-10.pdf)

<https://apps.et-gw.eu/tds/?content=3&r=17245>



- In 2020 **governments of 5 EU countries** (Italy [lead], the Netherlands, Belgium, Spain and Poland) submitted the **ET application to ESFRI** (European Strategy Forum on Research Infrastructure).
- **July 2021:** **ET obtained ESFRI status**
- **Now in „Preparatory Phase“**

# Detection distance for BBHs

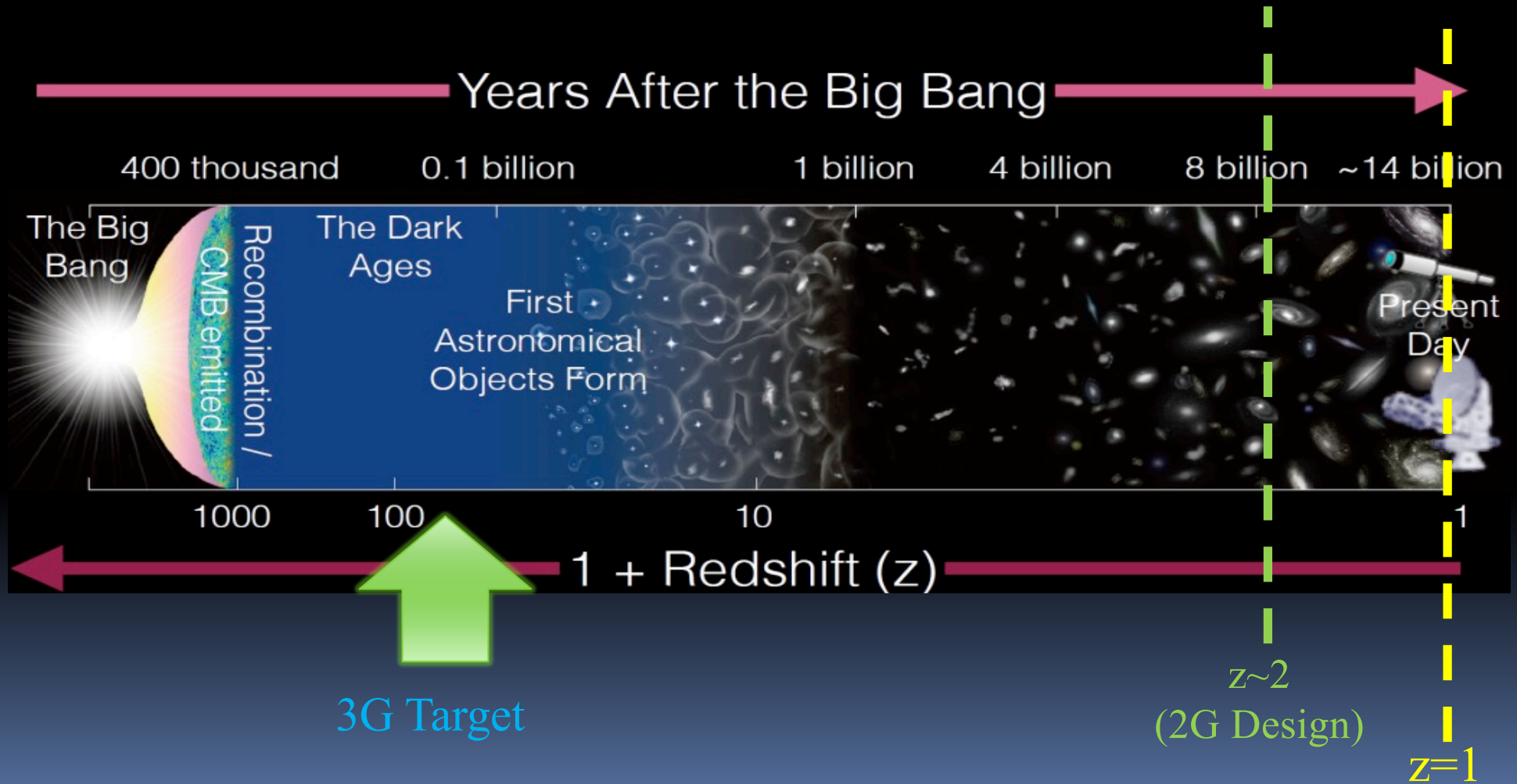
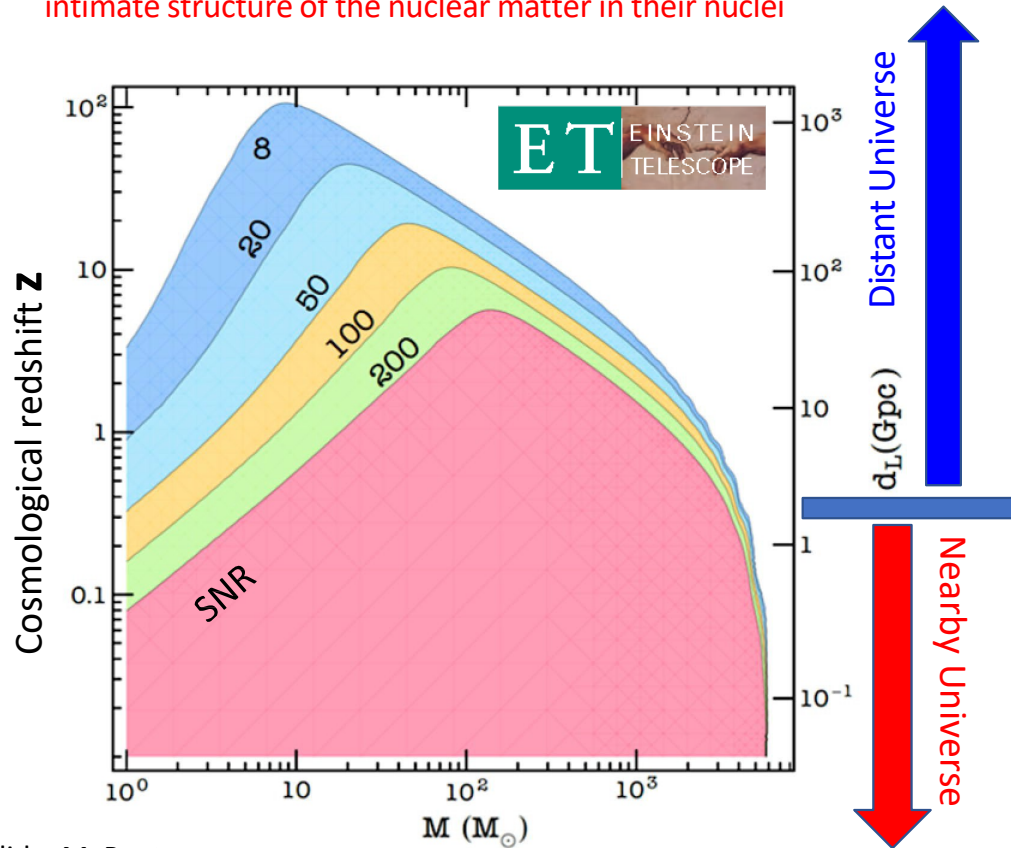


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# ET Science in a (tiny) nutshell

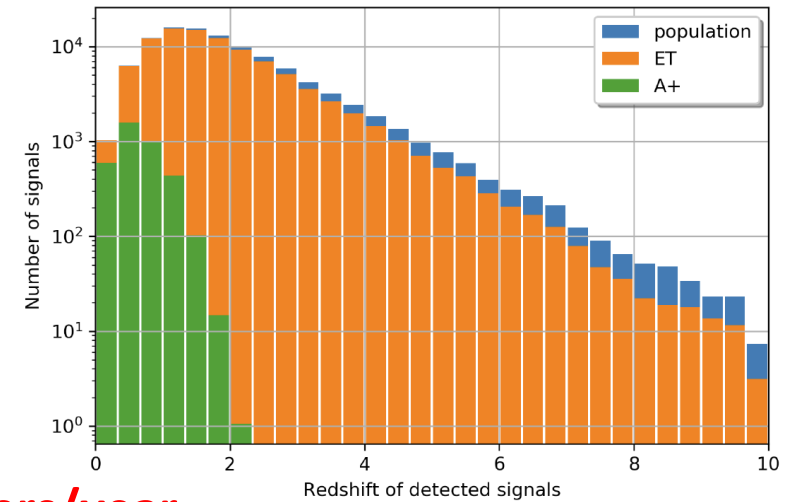
- ET will explore almost the entire Universe listening the gravitational waves emitted by black hole, back to the dark ages after the Big Bang
- ET will detect, with high SNR, hundreds of thousands coalescences of binary systems of Neutron Stars per year, revealing the most intimate structure of the nuclear matter in their nuclei



Slide: M. Punturo

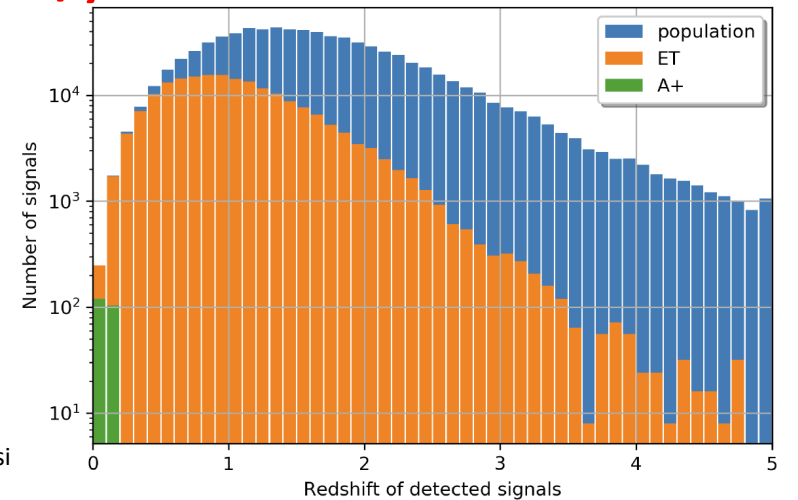
# Compact Object Binary Populations

BBH mergers



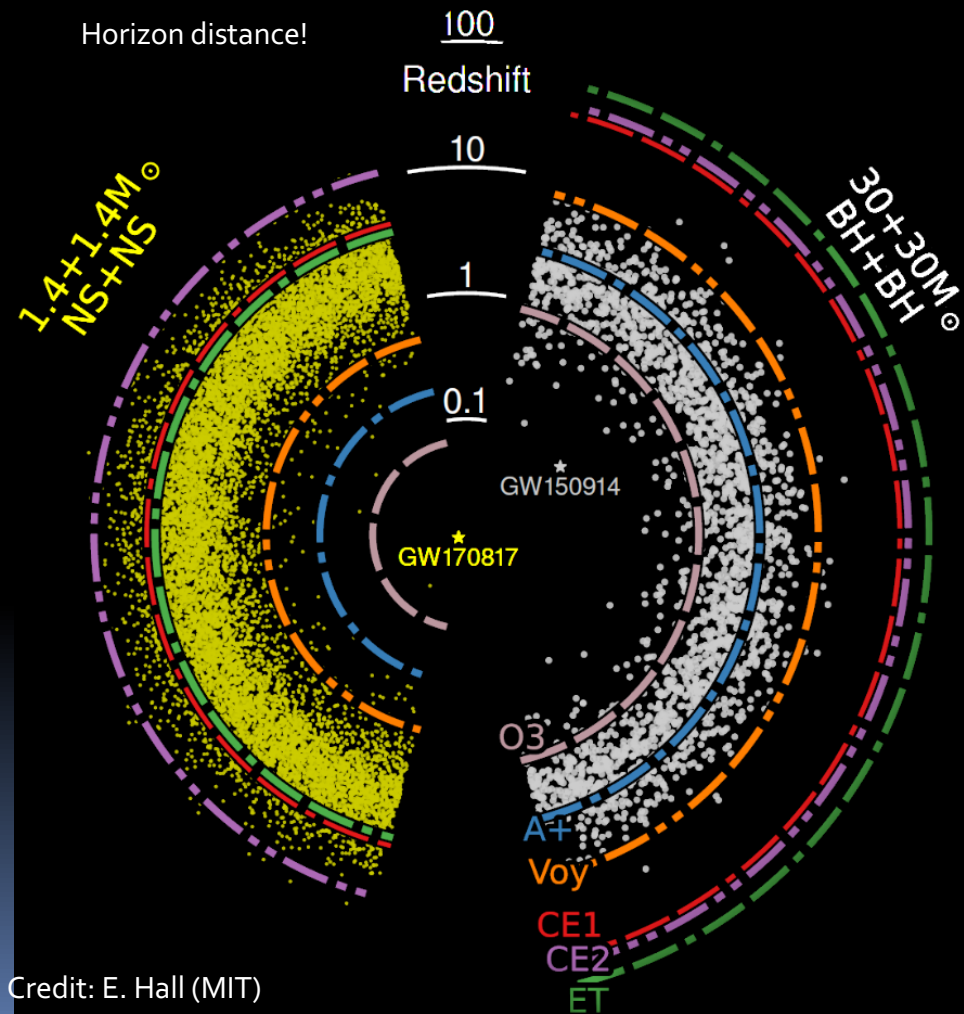
$O(10^5)$  mergers/year

BNS mergers



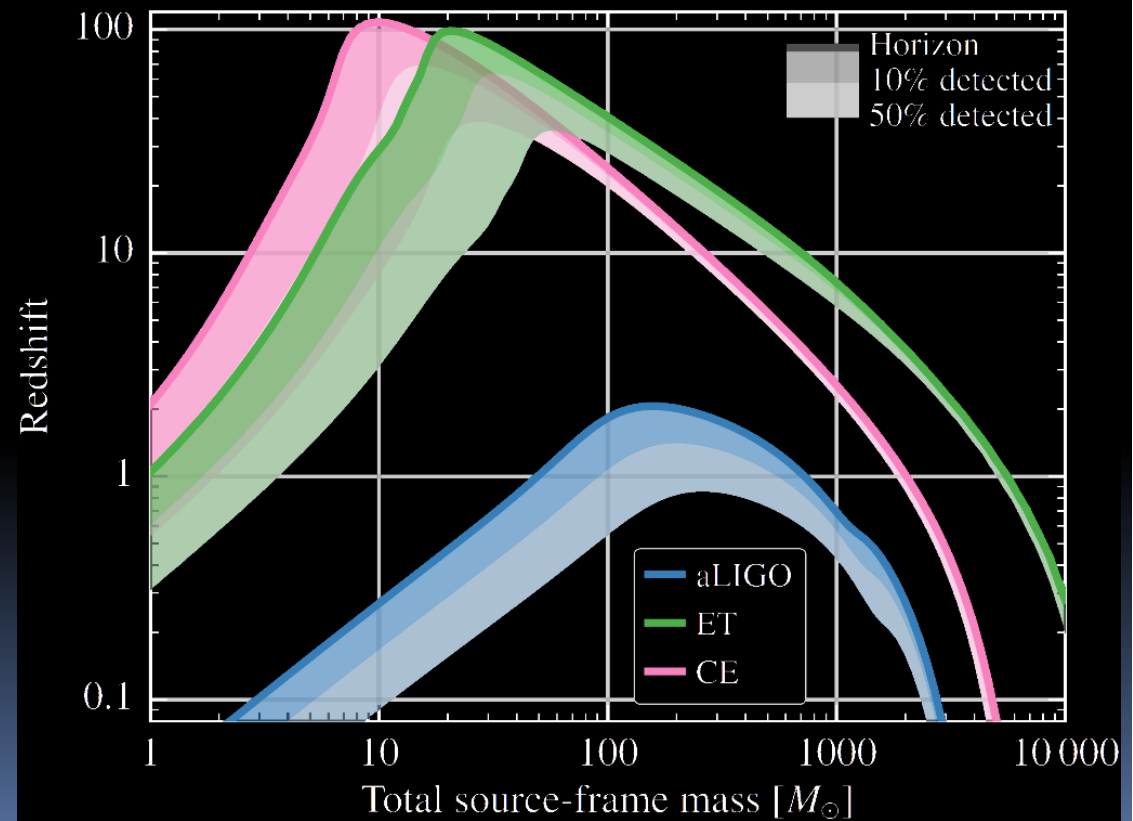
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# Hearing the „whole universe“...



Credit: E. Hall (MIT)

## CBC Sources throughout the universe



# ET science case

## ASTROPHYSICS

- **Black hole properties**
  - origin (stellar vs. primordial)
  - evolution, demography
- **Neutron star properties**
  - interior structure (QCD at ultra-high densities, exotic states of matter)
  - demography
- **Multi-band and -messenger**
  - joint GW/EM observations (e.g., kilonova,...)
  - multiband GW detection (LISA)
  - neutrinos
- **Detection of new astrophysical sources**
  - core collapse supernovae
  - isolated neutron stars
  - stochastic background of astrophysical origin

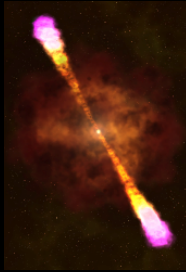
## FUNDAMENTAL PHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY

- **The nature of compact objects**
  - near-horizon physics
  - tests of no-hair theorem
  - exotic compact objects
- **Tests of General Relativity**
  - post-Newtonian expansion
  - strong field regime
- **Dark matter**
  - primordial BHs
  - axion clouds, dark matter accreting on compact objects
- **Dark energy and modifications of gravity on cosmological scales**
  - dark energy equation of state
  - modified GW propagation
- **Stochastic backgrounds of cosmological origin**
  - inflation, phase transitions, cosmic strings

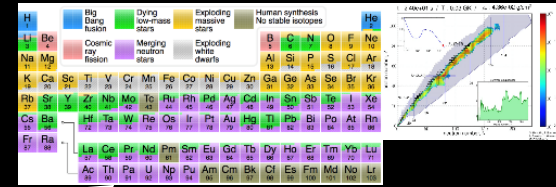
Expect the unexpected!

# Radioactively powered transients

Relativistic astrophysics



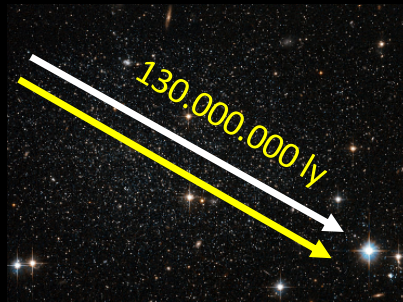
Nucleosynthesis and enrichment of the Universe



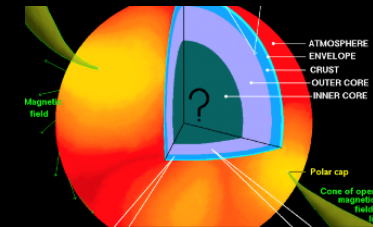
GW170817-like events



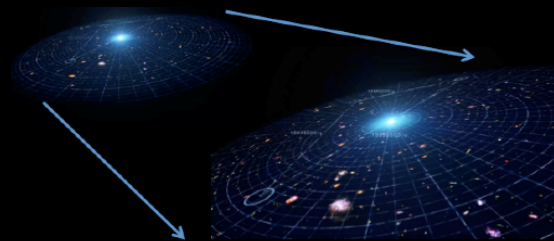
Fundamental Physics



Nuclear matter physics

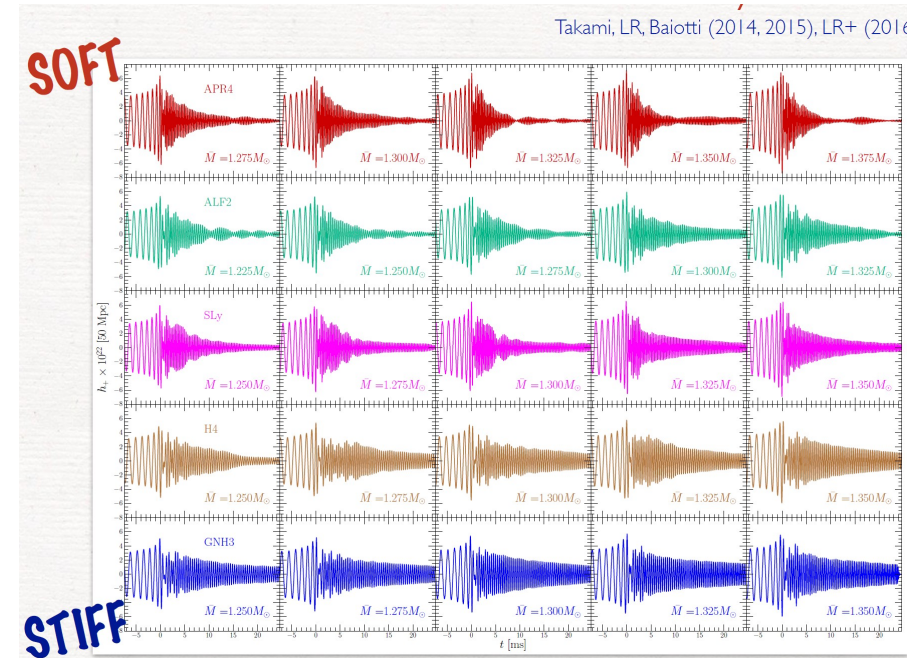
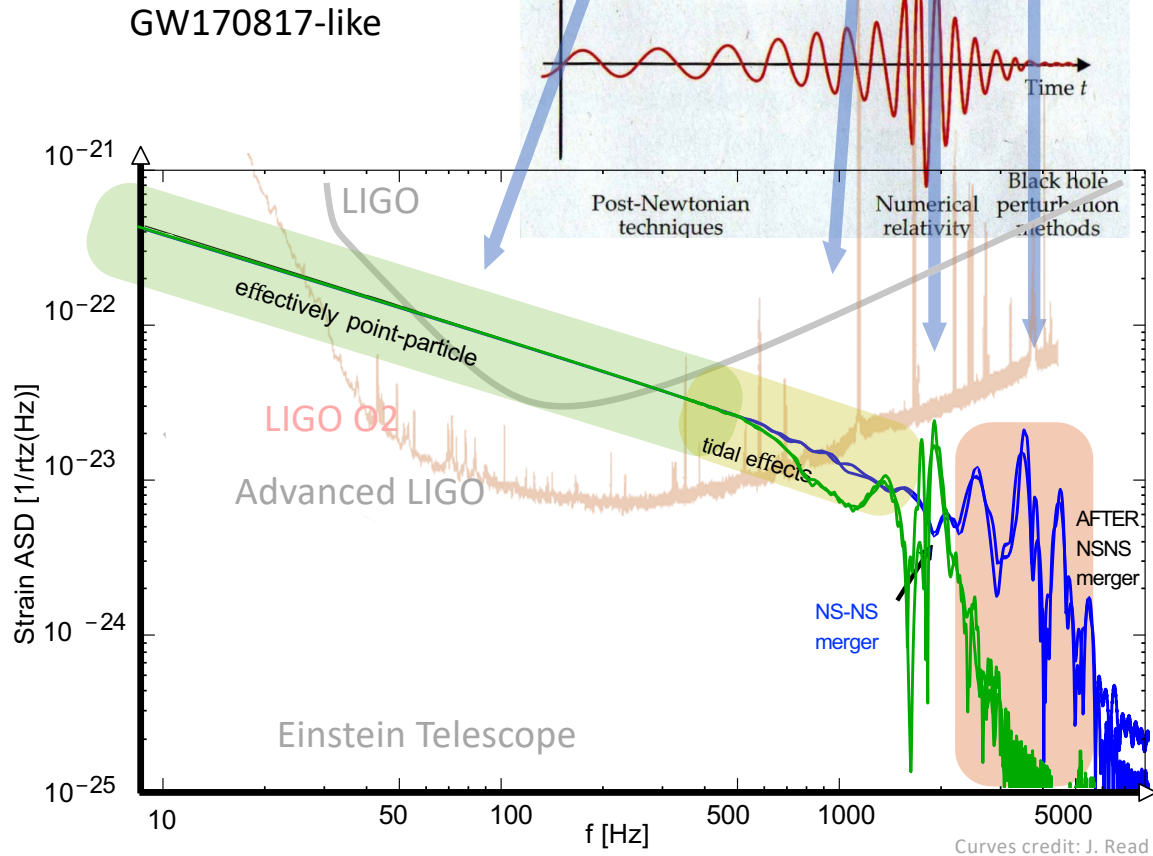
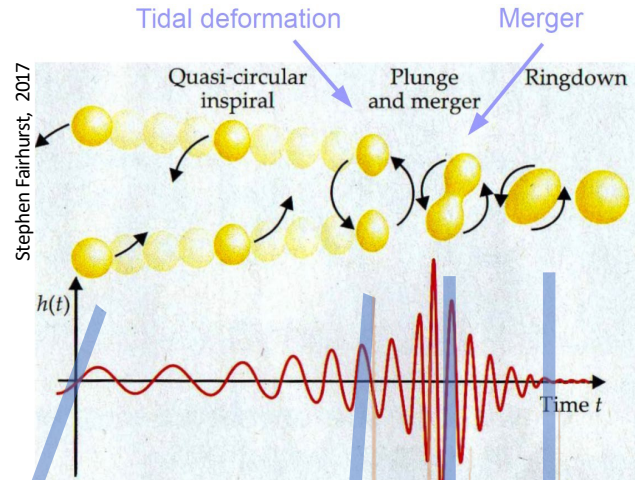


Cosmology





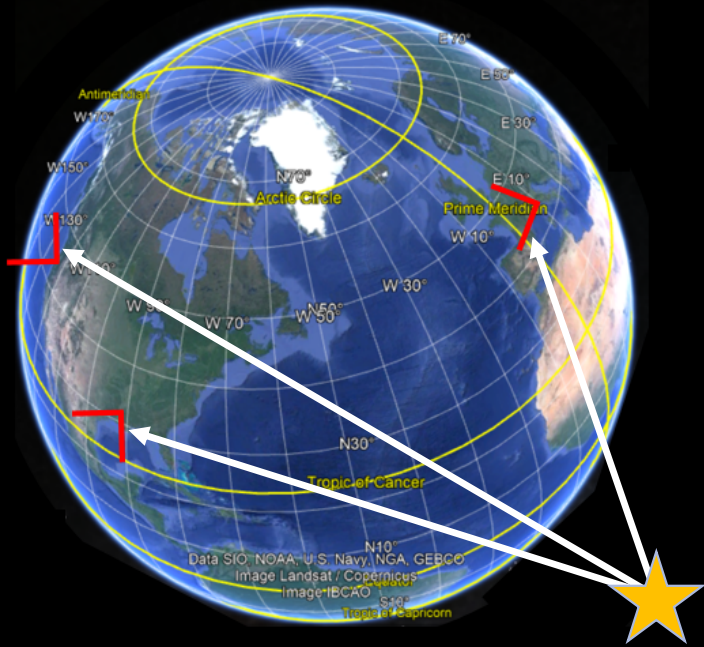
# Probing the Structure of a Neutron Star



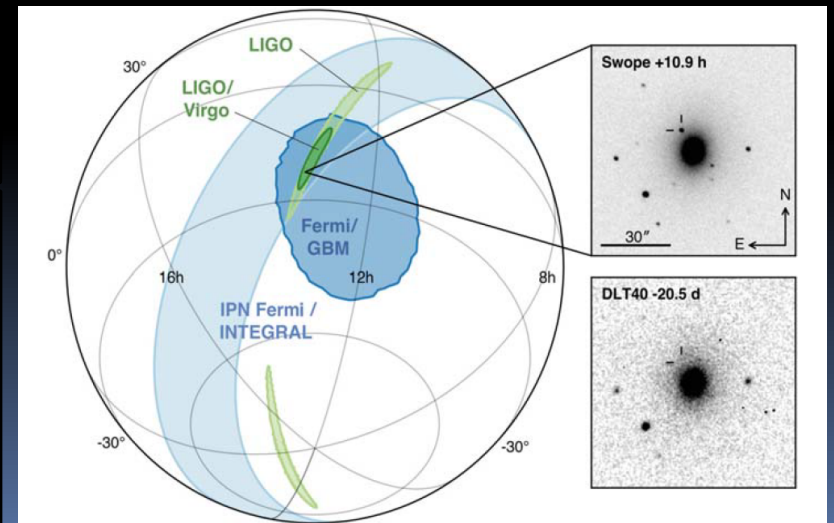
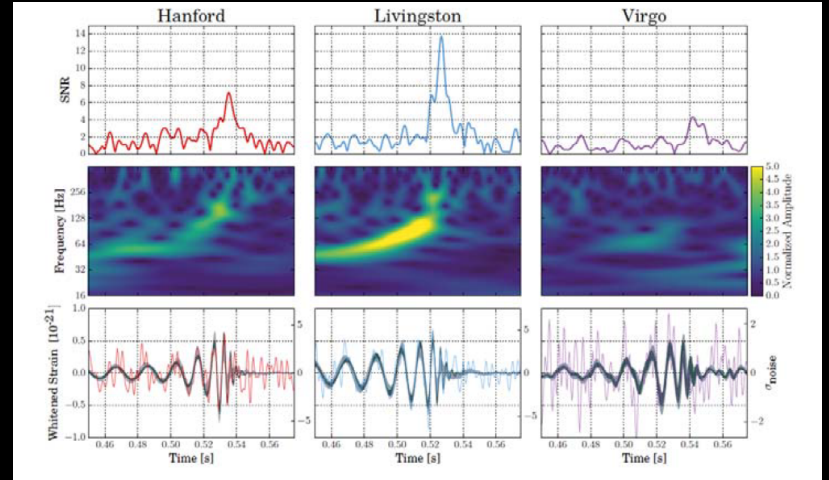
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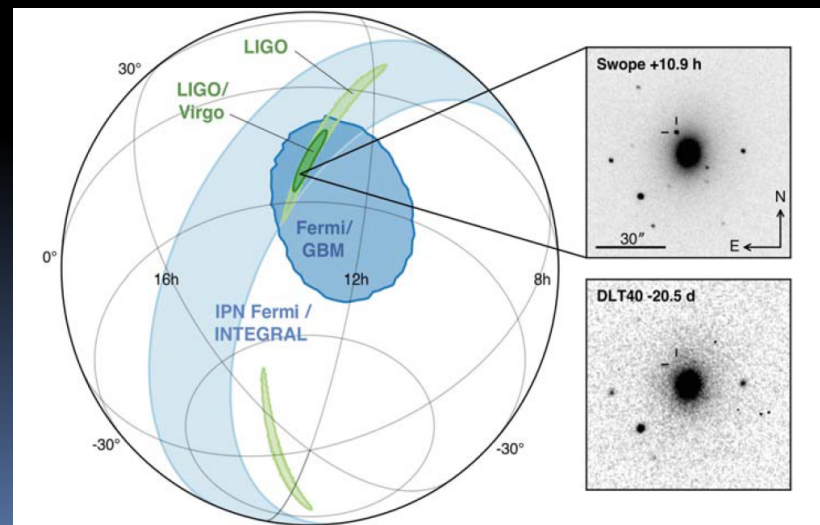
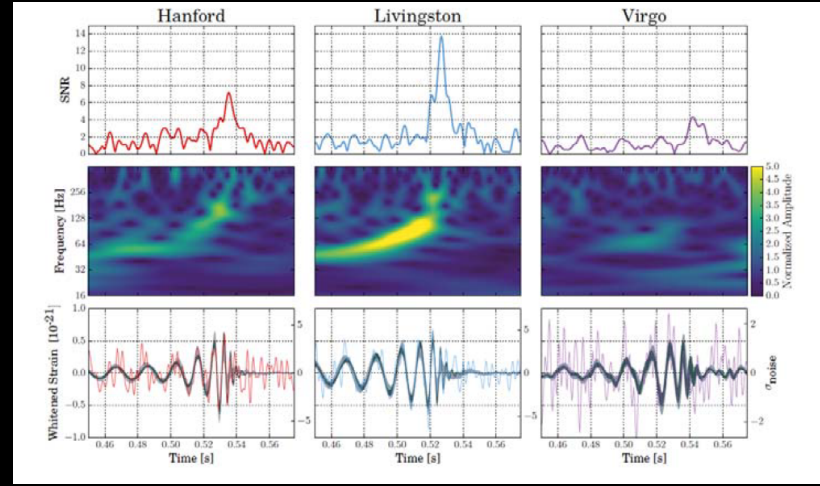
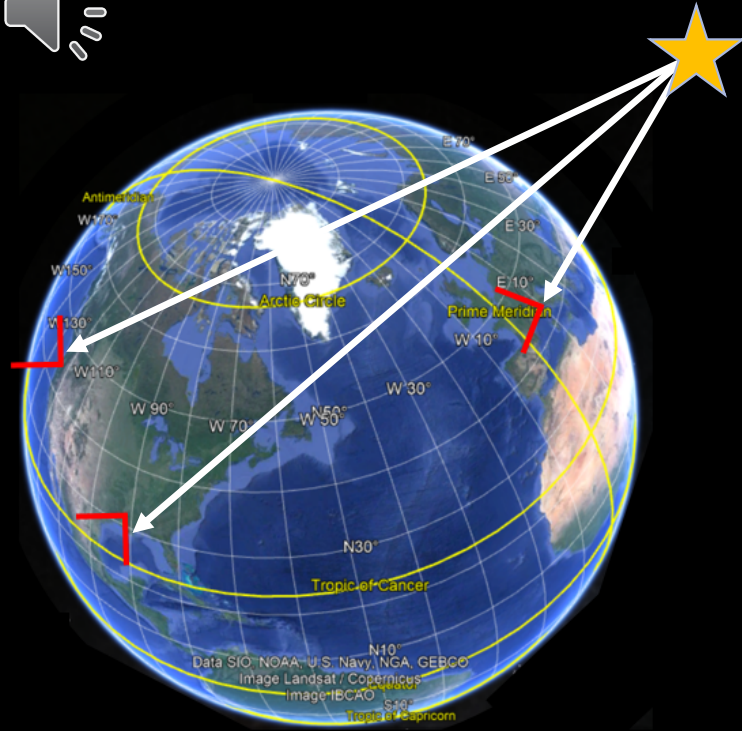
# Localisation by Trilateration (LVK)



Animation Stefan Hild



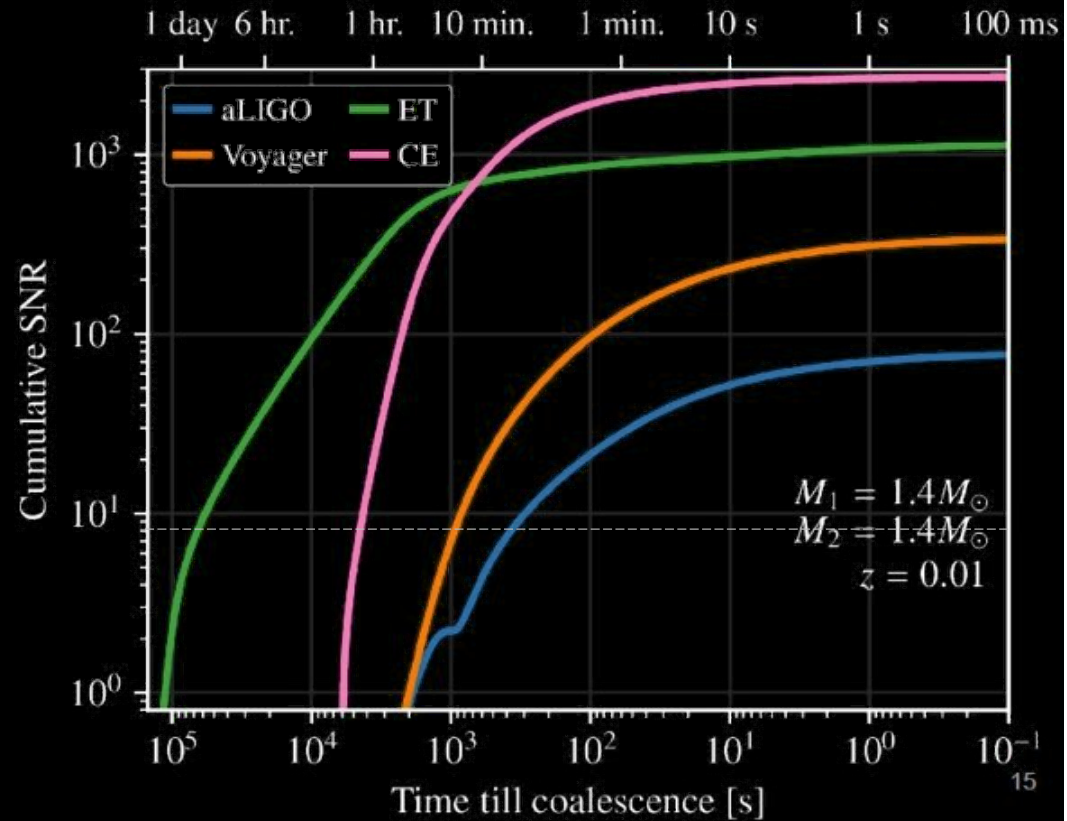
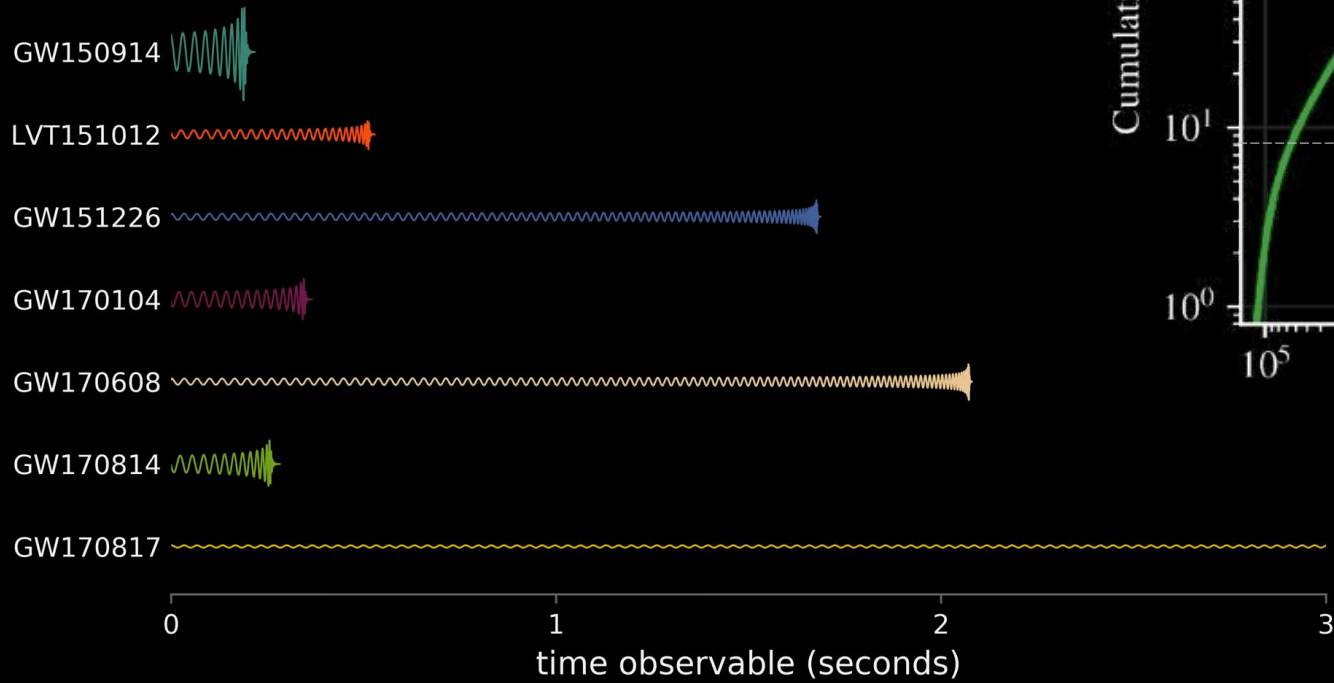
# Localisation by Trilateration



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# Low frequency: Multi-messenger astronomy

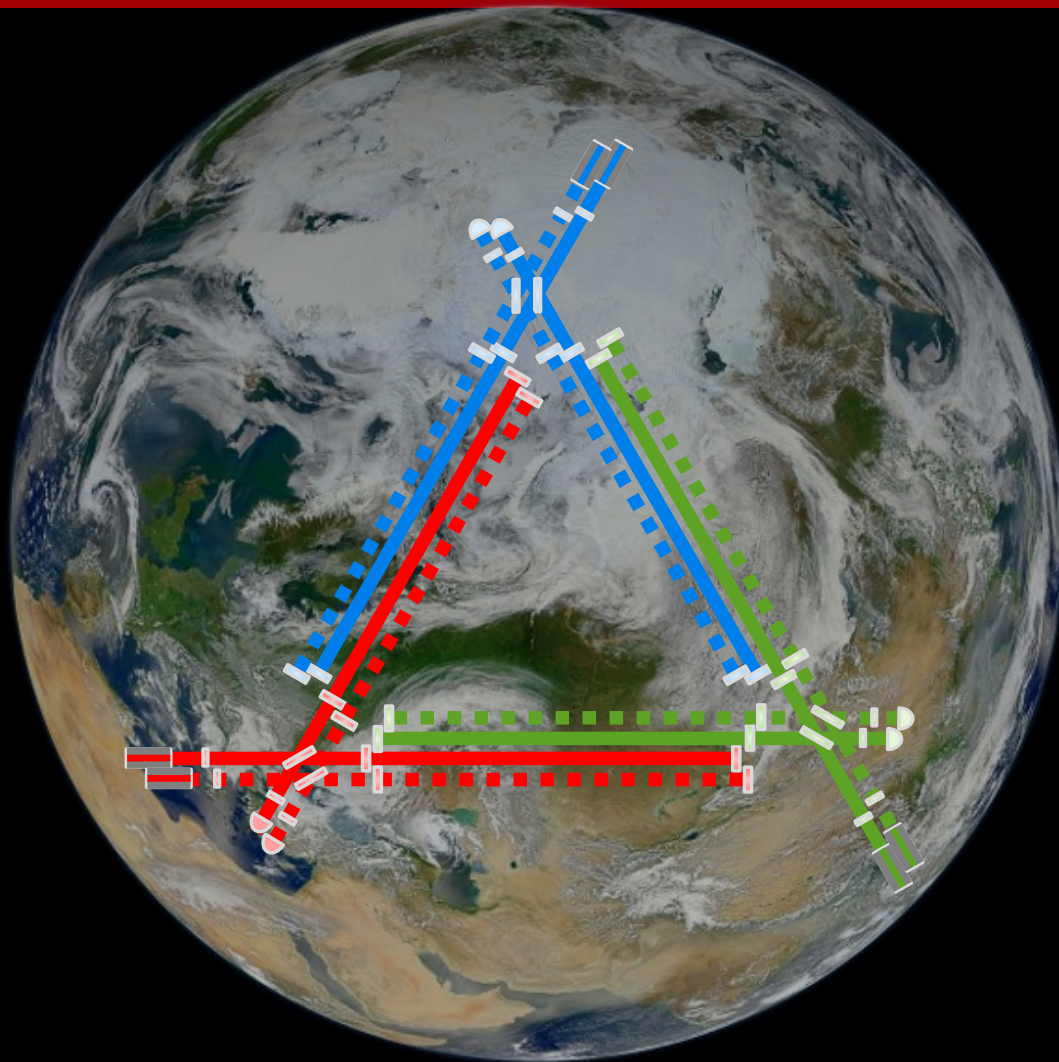
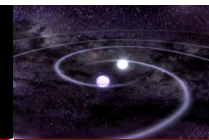
- If we were able to accumulate enough SNR before the merging phase, we could trigger e.m. observations before the emission of photons
- Keyword: low frequency sensitivity



ET

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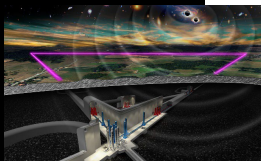
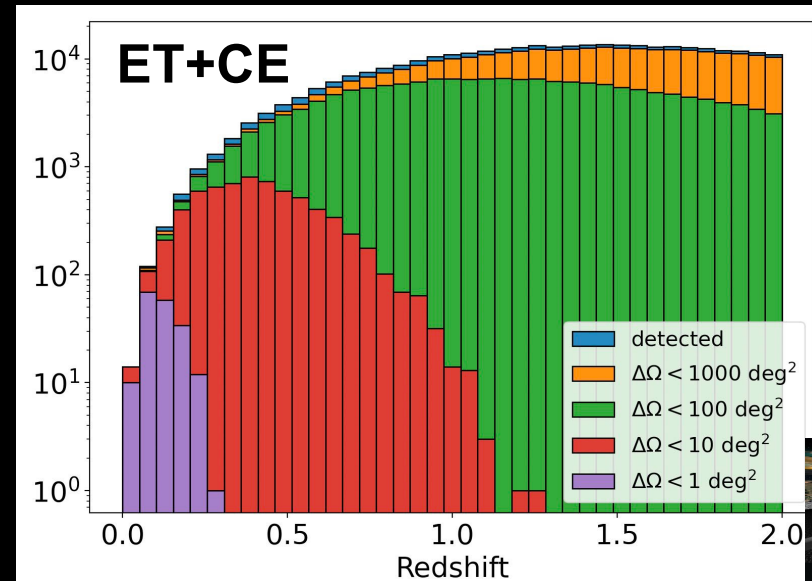
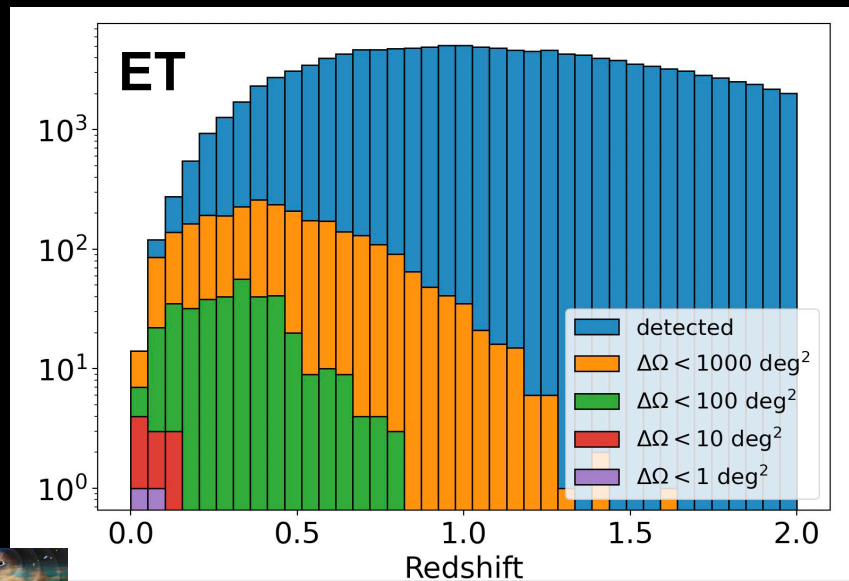
# Pointing of ET



# ET Localisation Capabilities

GW170817 was @  $z = 0.01$  and pointing uncertainty was  $\sim 30 \text{ deg}^2$

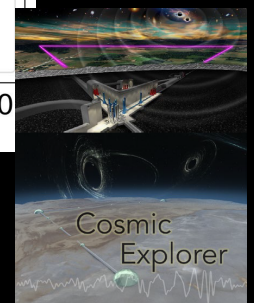
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The ET low frequency sensitivity makes it possible to localize BNS!

$O(100)$  detection per year with sky-localization (90% c.r.)  $< 100 \text{ deg}^2$  (early warning alerts!)

$O(1000)$  detection per year with sky-localization (90% c.r.)  $< 10 \text{ deg}^2$



# Einstein Telescope in the ESFRI Roadmap

ESFRI

Strategy Report on Research Infrastructures  
**ROADMAP 2021**

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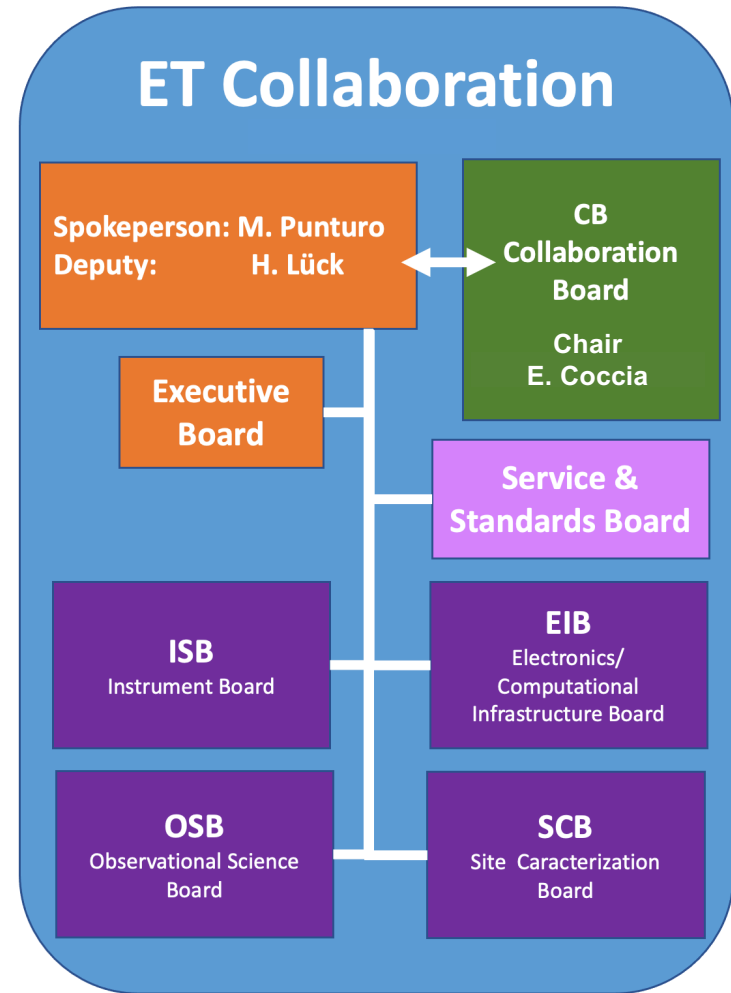
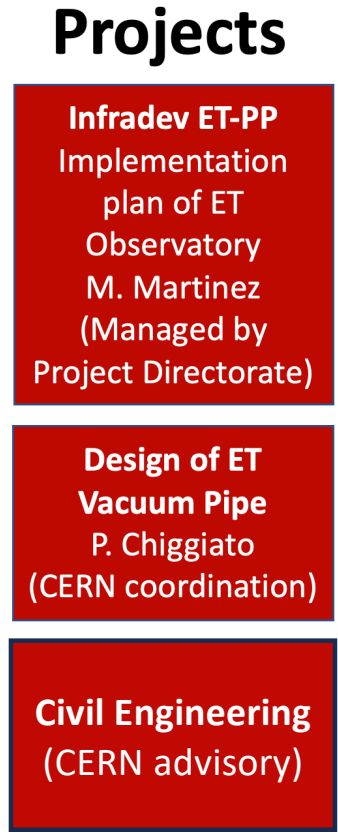
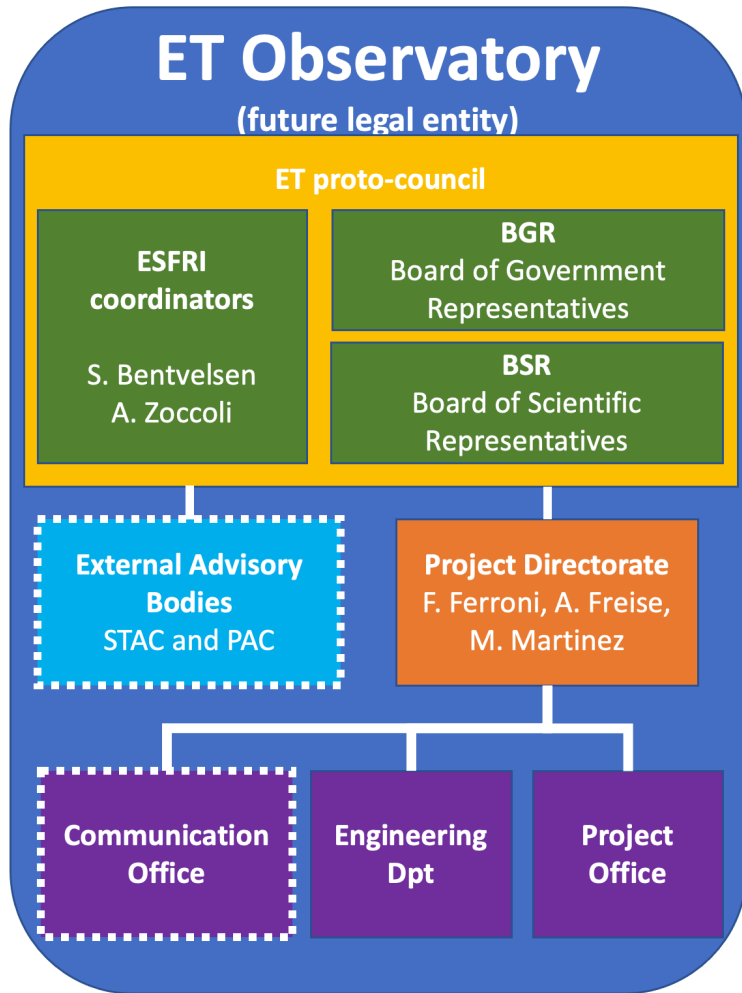
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## RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURES MAP

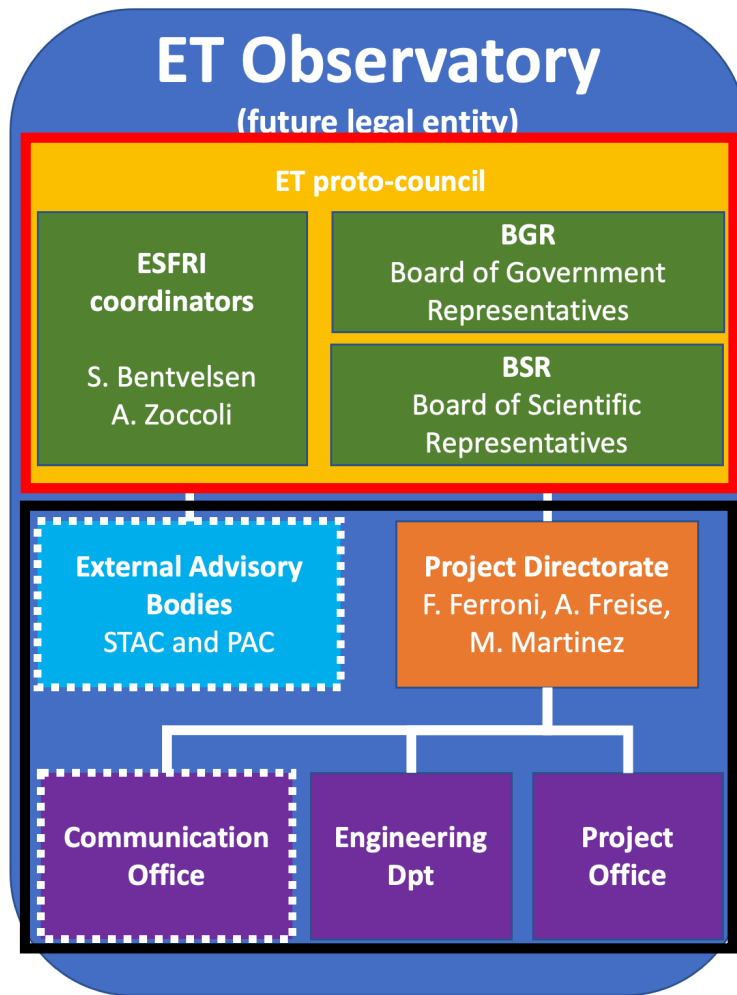
- ET entered in the 2021 ESFRI roadmap update
- The ET proposal has been presented by the following countries: Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, Spain and Poland
- The ET consortium is leaded by INFN and Nikhef
- The ET (current) governance has been consequently structured

# ET Current Organization

Simplified representation by P. Verdier



# ET Current Organization



Temporary groups, working towards becoming the ET governing body, such as a Council. **Our most important link to governments and funding agencies** (Austria, Belgium, France, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Spain, UK are members with Germany as observer).

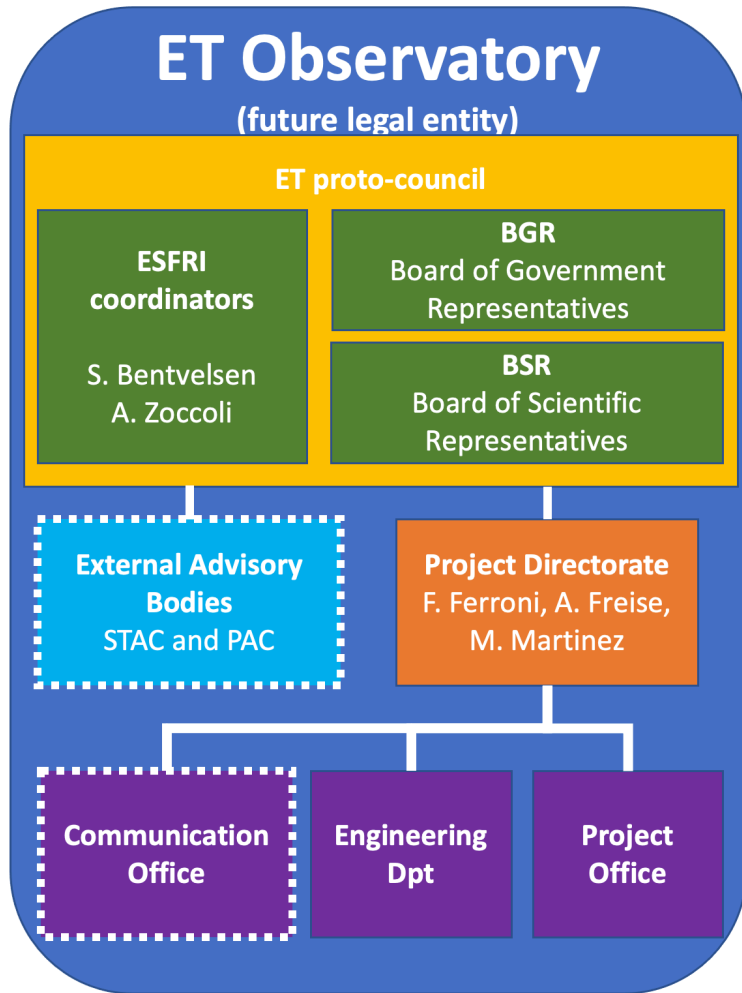


An small but active organisation with the formal responsibility to realise of ET. **A future legal entity for ET would be based on this structure.**



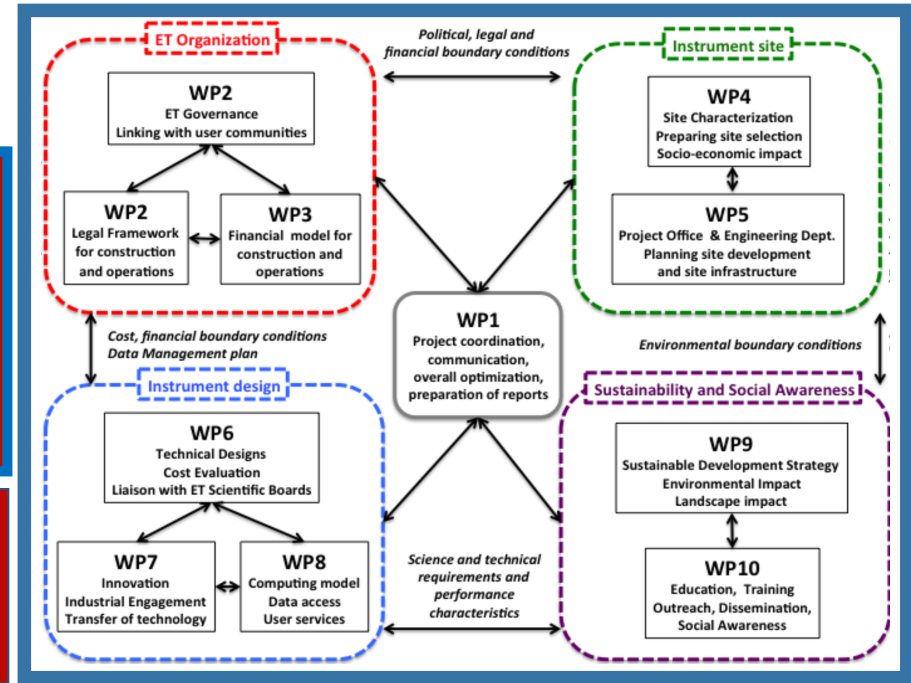
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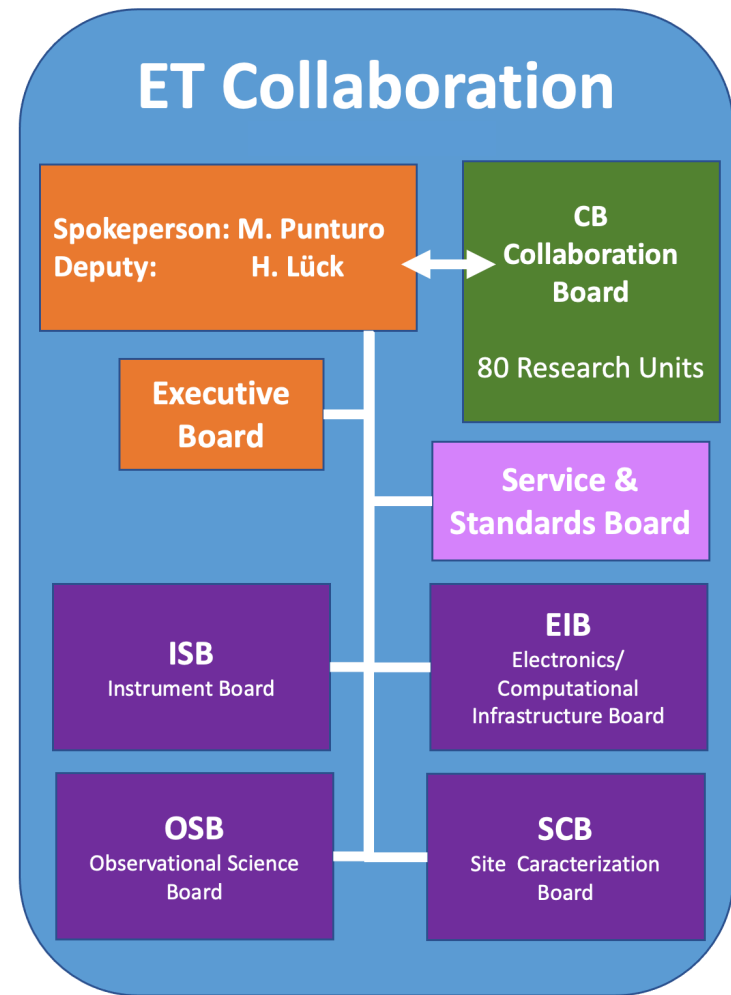
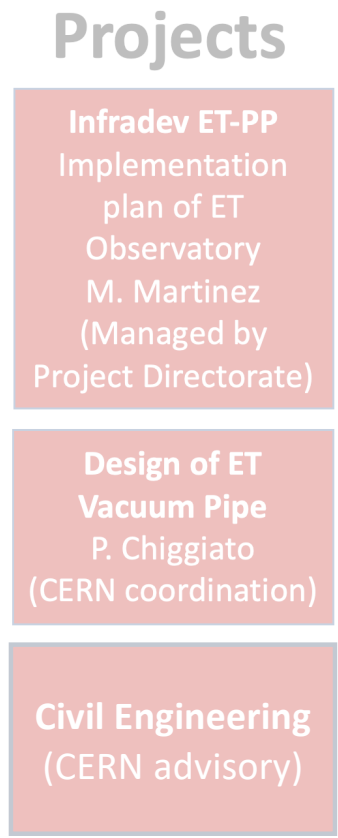
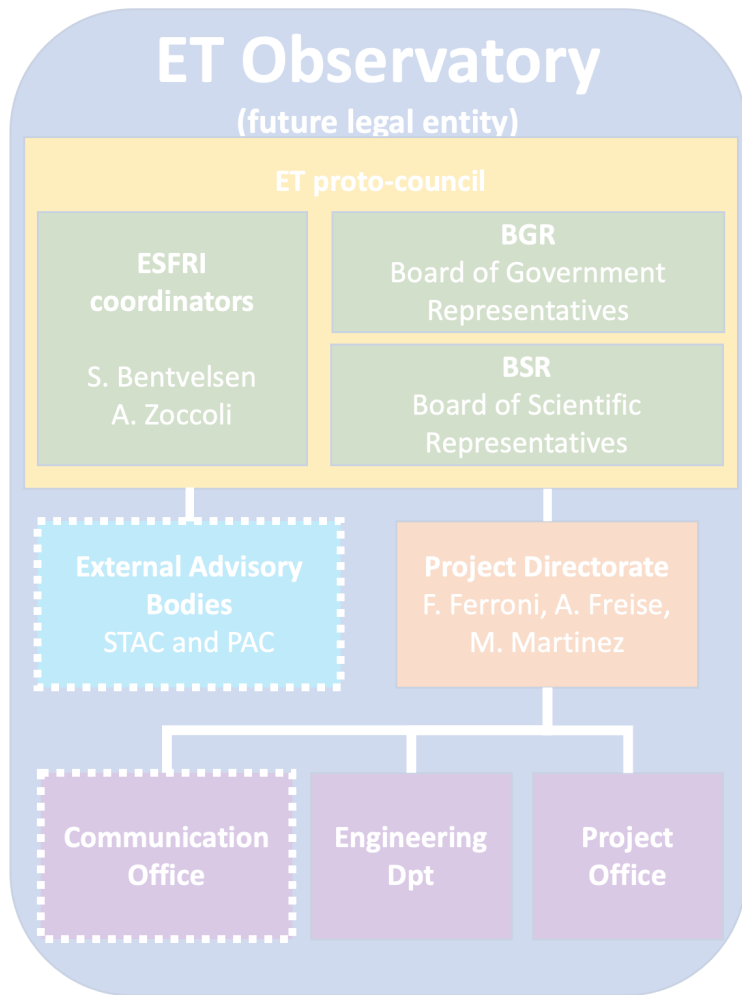
## Projects

- Infradev ET-PP Implementation plan of ET Observatory**  
M. Martinez (Managed by Project Directorate)
- Design of ET Vacuum Pipe**  
P. Chiggiato (CERN coordination)
- Civil Engineering**  
(CERN advisory)



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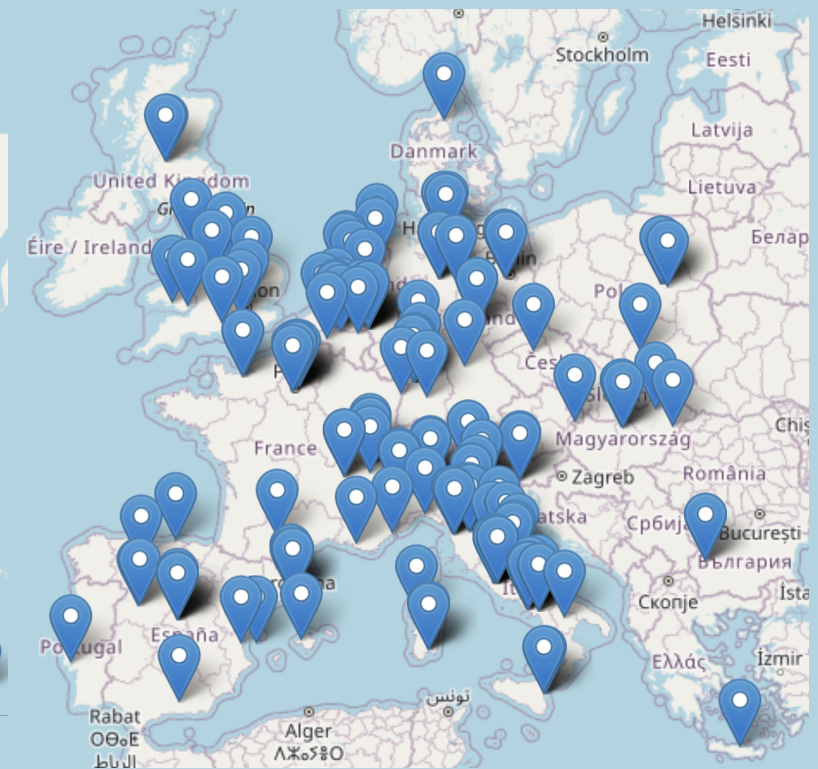


# The Einstein Telescope Collaboration



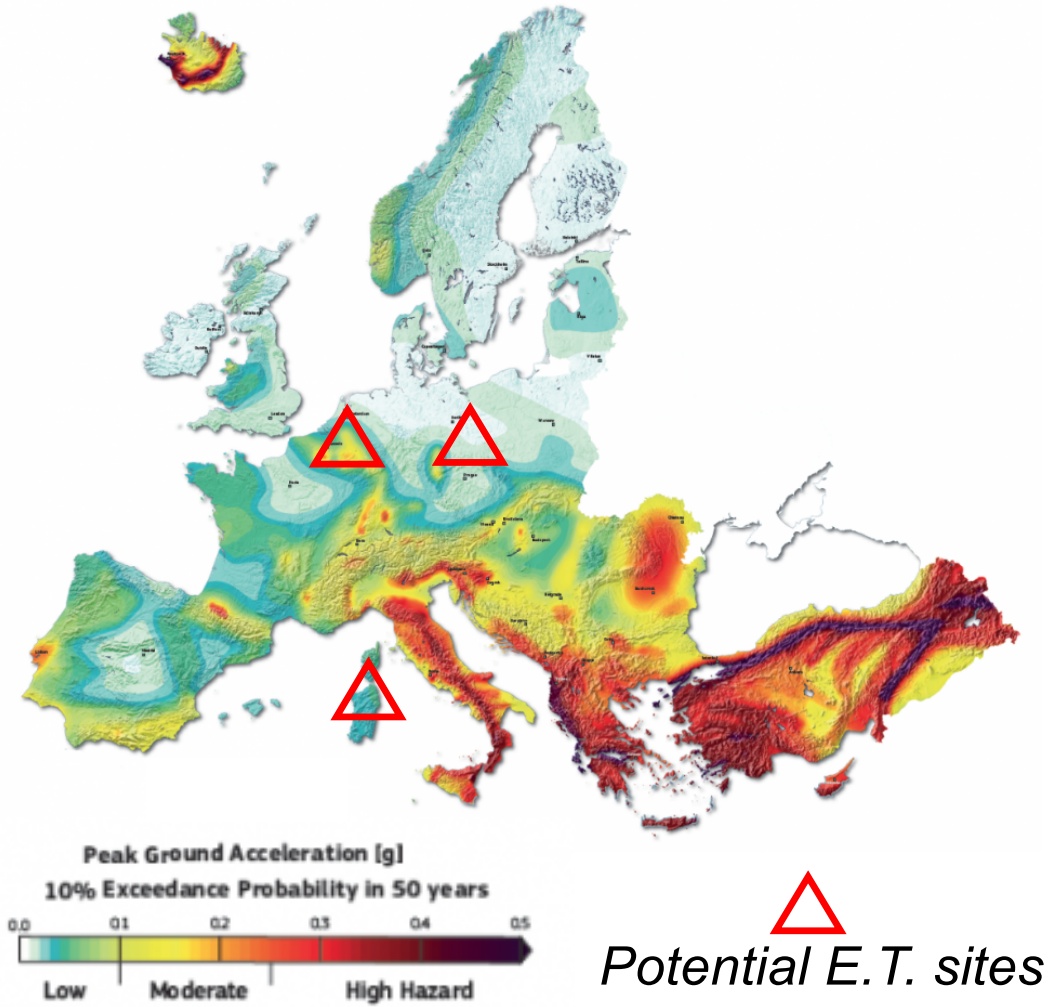
- 85 Research Units (+1 request pending)
- 1568 members (24/11/2023 15:29)
- Total: 226 Institutions in 25 Countries

• ET member database



ET Member's affiliation map

# ET site candidates

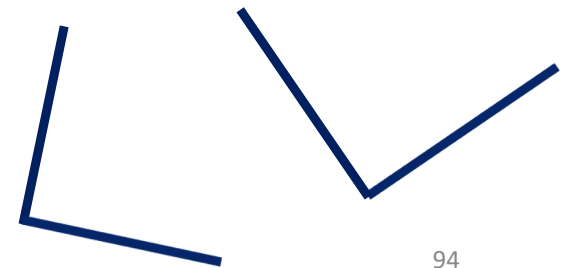
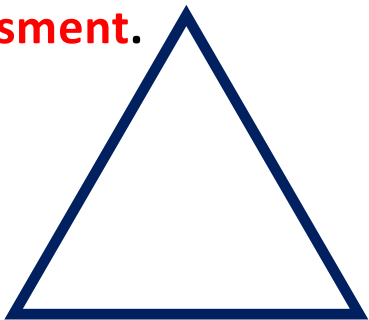


In the last couple of years, the collaboration started the evaluation of the best configuration for ET, considering the alternative of two L configuration (as LIGO, Cosmic Explorer) to **maximize the science return** and **reduce risks**.

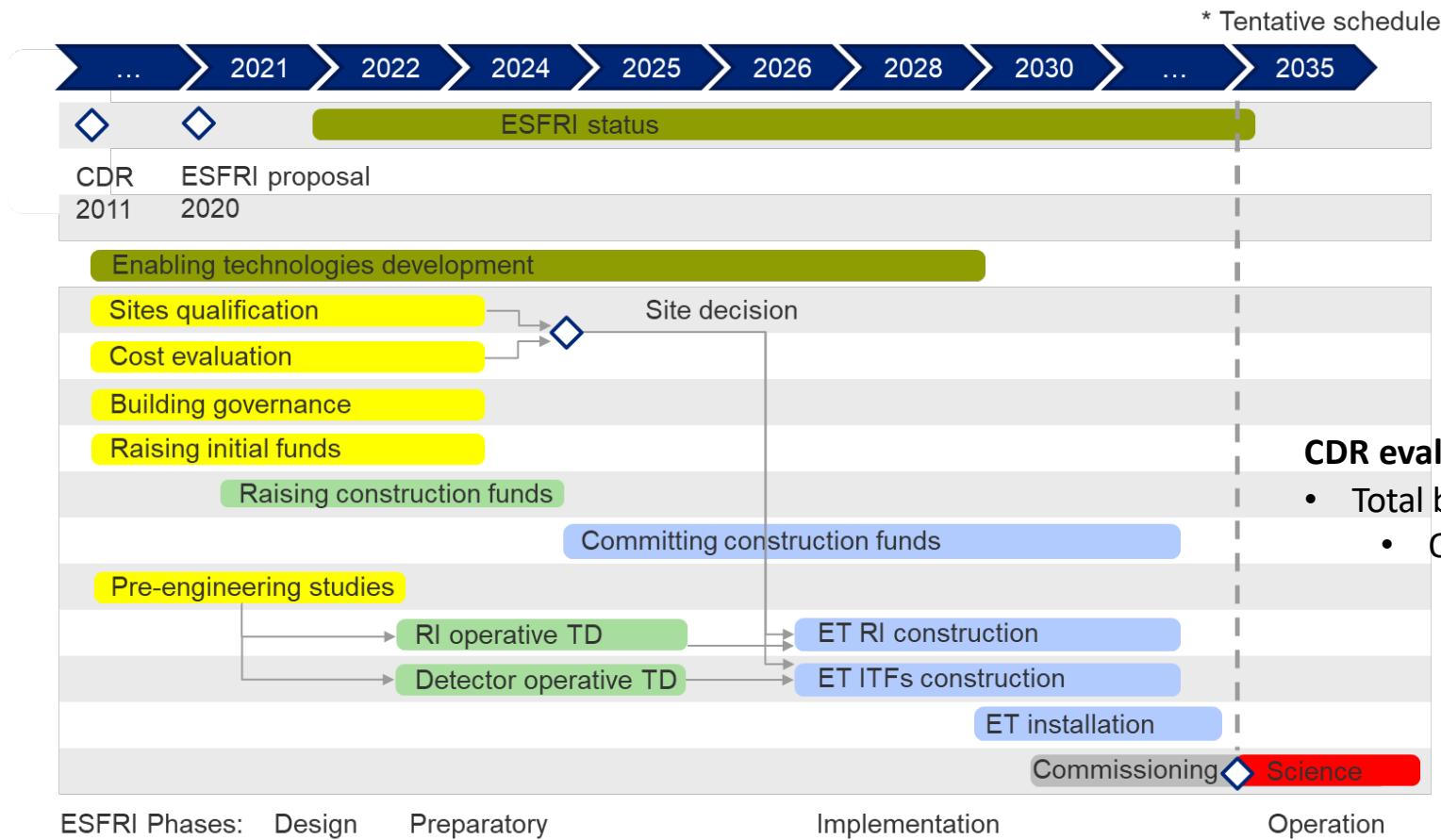
Since 2011 (CDS, triangle configuration) the situation drastically changed:

- First detections, GTWC-3 catalog  $\rightarrow$  BH population  $\rightarrow$  new SF and evolution models;
- Science case developed;
- Know-how with advanced (L) detectors;
- International scenario (+ Cosmic Explorer in US);
- Two candidate sites strongly supported (and a potential third site...).

The collaboration is analyzing both configurations: **optimizing science return**, **differential risk assessment**.



# ET timeline as presented to ESFRI



Timelines have to be discussed among:

- Scientists
- Agencies
- Governments

**CDR evaluations:**

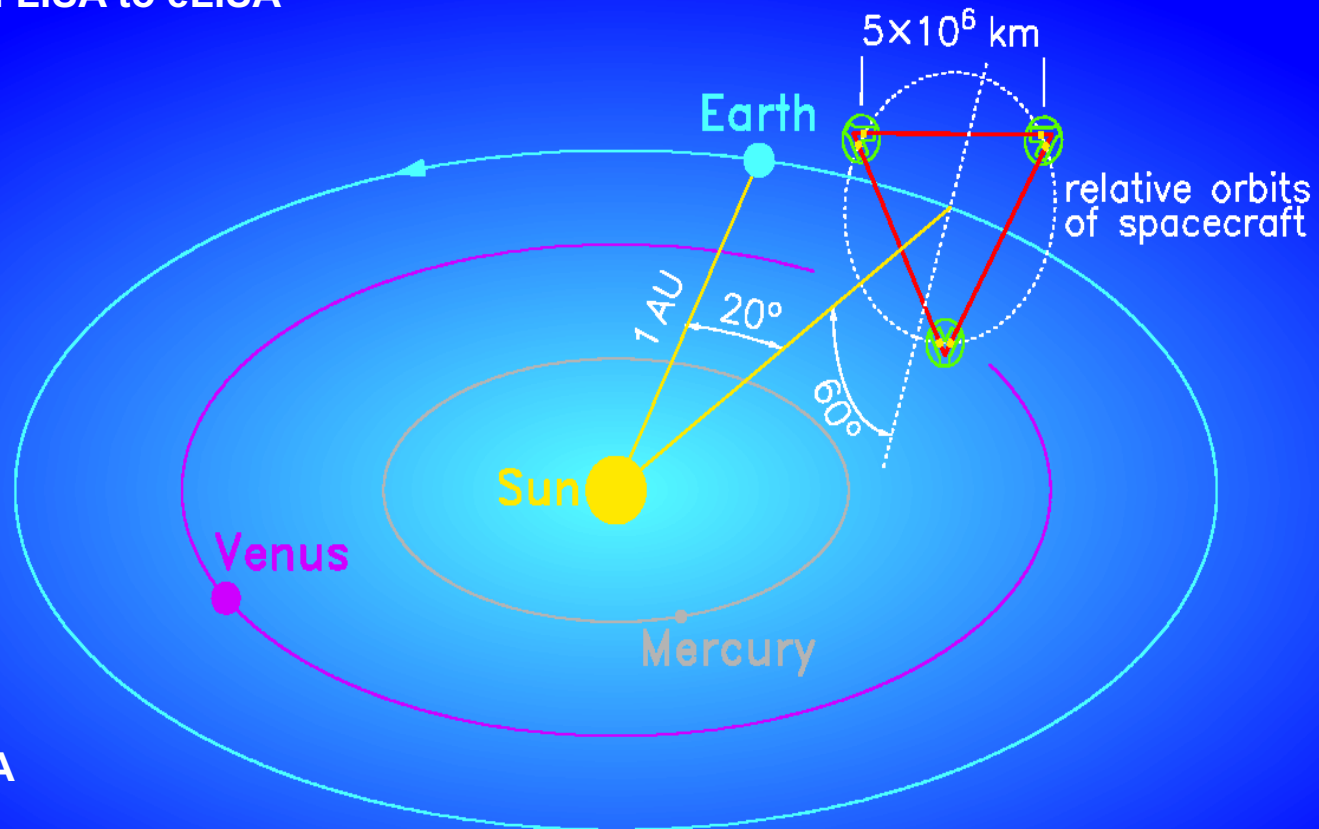
- Total budget ~ 2G€
- Observatory budget ~ 1.7G€
- Infrastructure Budget:
  - Civil infrastructure: ~930M€
  - Vacuum system: ~570M€

# Some Einstein Telescope Links



- <https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.15923> (CoBA)
- <https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1475-7516/2020/03/050> (ET Science case 2020)
- [https://apps.et-gw.eu/tds/?call\\_file=ET-0028A-20\\_EinsteinTelescopeScienceCaseDe.pdf](https://apps.et-gw.eu/tds/?call_file=ET-0028A-20_EinsteinTelescopeScienceCaseDe.pdf) (Design Study Update 2020, short version)
- <https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.02771> (detection capabilities of third-generation gravitational-wave detectors)
- [https://apps.et-gw.eu/tds/?call\\_file=ET-0007B-20\\_ETDesignReportUpdate2020.pdf](https://apps.et-gw.eu/tds/?call_file=ET-0007B-20_ETDesignReportUpdate2020.pdf) (Design Study Update 2020, long version)
- <https://www.et-gw.eu/index.php/relevant-et-documents>

## From LISA to eLISA

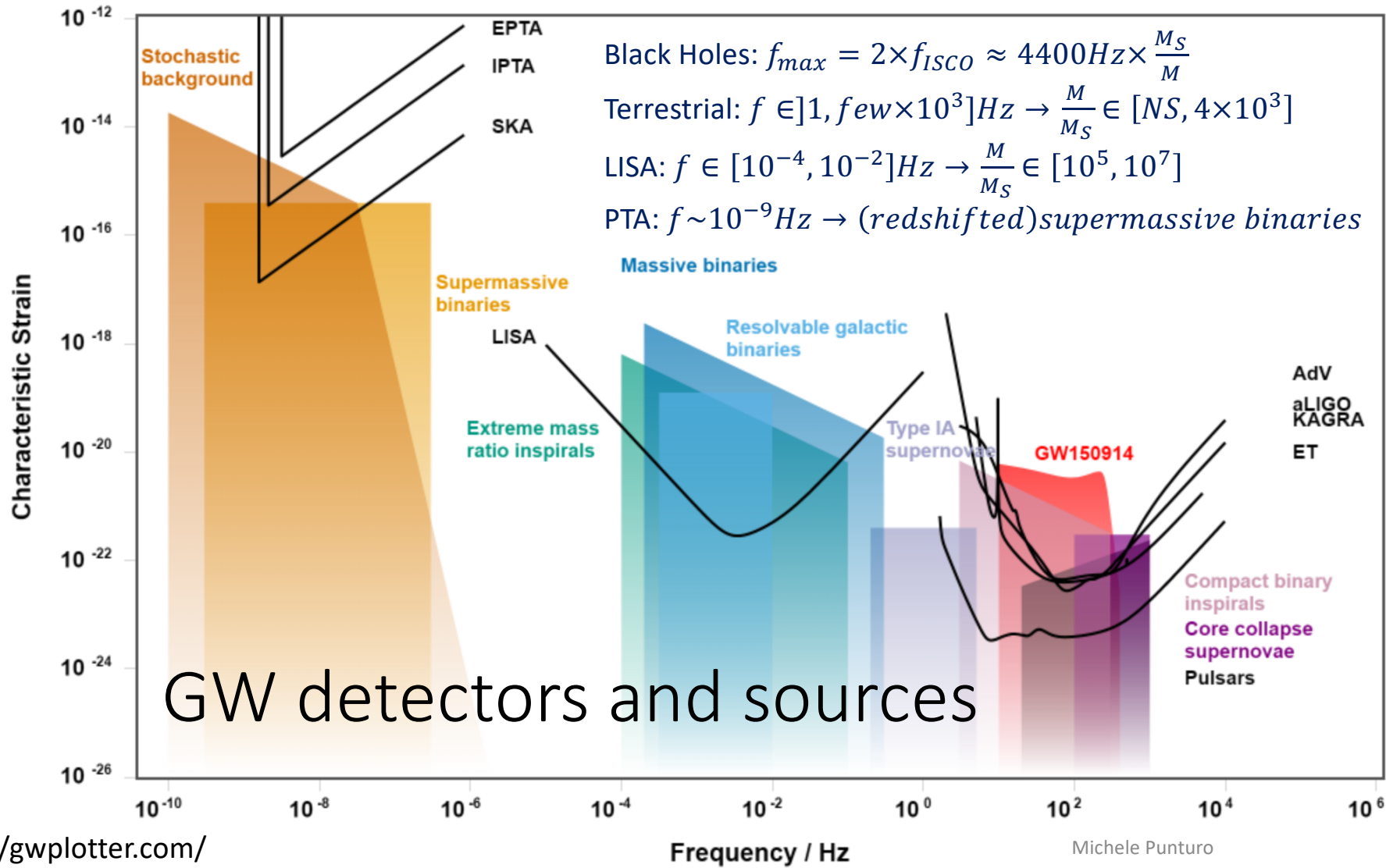


### eLISA

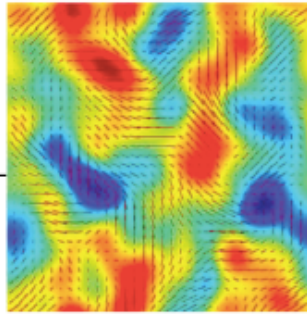
- Savings mainly in weight, launch cost.
- Two active arms, not three;
- Smaller arms (1Gm, not 5Gm);
- Re-use LISA Pathfinder hardware;

2034?





*Cosmic Microwave Background  
Polarization B Modes*



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$10^{-5}$

$10^{-10}$

$10^{-15}$

$10^{-20}$

$10^{-25}$

Primeval gravitational waves from inflationary epoch

Measured at epoch of recombination  $z \sim 1000$  and reionization  $z \sim 6$

## Gravitational Wave Spectrum

*Pulsar Timing*



Supermassive BH coalescences

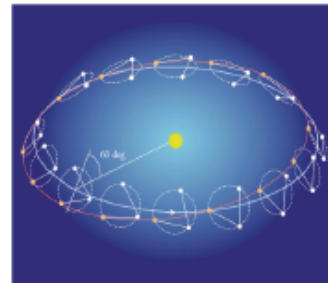
Isotropic GW background from unresolved sources

Massive BH coalescences

Small mass/BH infalls

White dwarf binaries in our galaxy

*Space-based Interferometers*



Compact binary coalescences: neutron stars and black holes

Asymmetric pulsar rotations

*Ground-based Interferometers*

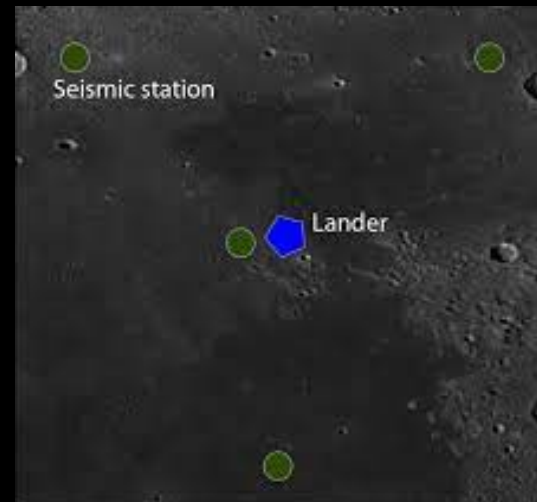


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Frequency Hz

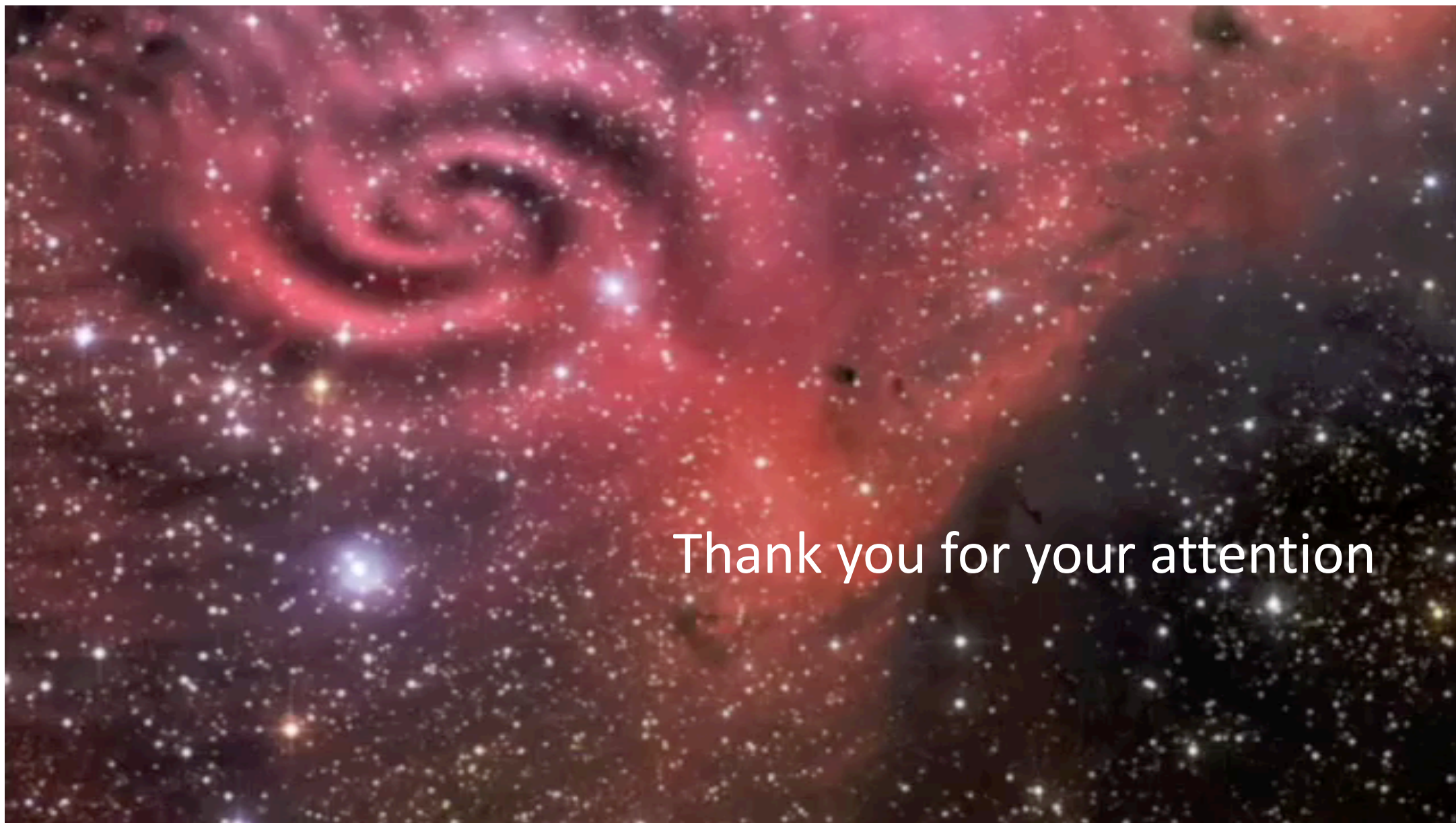
# Lunar Gravitational-wave Antenna

The Astrophysical Journal, 910:1(22pp), 2021 March 20



## Every newly opened astronomical window has found unexpected results

Window	Opened	1 <sup>st</sup> Surprise	Year
Optical	1609 Galilei	Jupiter's moons	1610
Cosmic Rays	1912	Muon	1930s
Radio	1930s	Giant Radio Galaxies CMB Pulsars	1950s 1964 1967
X - ray	1948	Sco X-1 X-ray binaries	1962 1969 Uhuru
g - ray	1961	GRBs	Late 1960s+ Vela
GW	2015	Massive BH-BH mergers	2016



Thank you for your attention