



Gravitational Waves Working Group

Phase II Aspera Roadmap

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Detection of Gravitational waves – sources and science

WHY? - obtain information about astrophysical events obtainable in no other way

■ Fundamental Physics

- test Einstein's quadrupole formula in the strong field regime using binary inspirals
- test Einstein's theory from network measurements of polarisation
- confirm the speed of gravitational waves with coincident EM/GW observations

■ Astrophysics:

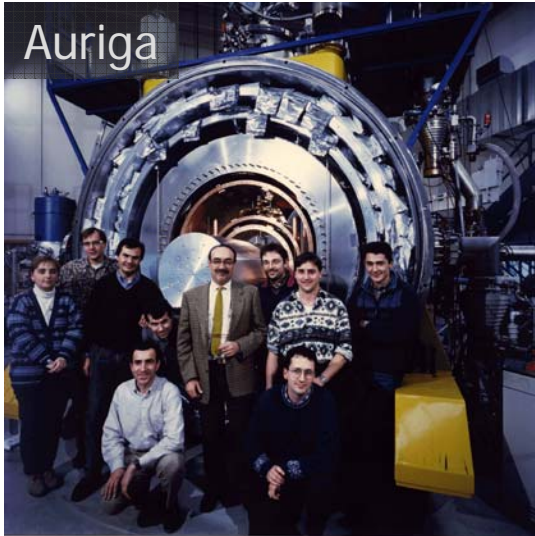
- provide links to γ -ray bursts by detecting NS-NS, NS-BH binaries
- take a census of BHs by detecting 100's of BBH from cosmological distances
- detect radiation from LMXB's
- Measure NS normal modes; probe glitches in pulsars

■ Cosmology and Fundamental Physics

- Inform studies of dark energy
 - obtain accurate luminosity-distance Vs. red-shift relationship from inspirals at $z \sim 1$ from GW/EM observations
- Detect possible GW background at $\Omega \sim 10^{-9}$

■ New Sources and Science:

- Intermediate Mass Binary Black Holes?
- Burst of radiation from cosmic strings?
- Backgrounds predicted by Brane-world scenarios?



Auriga

History

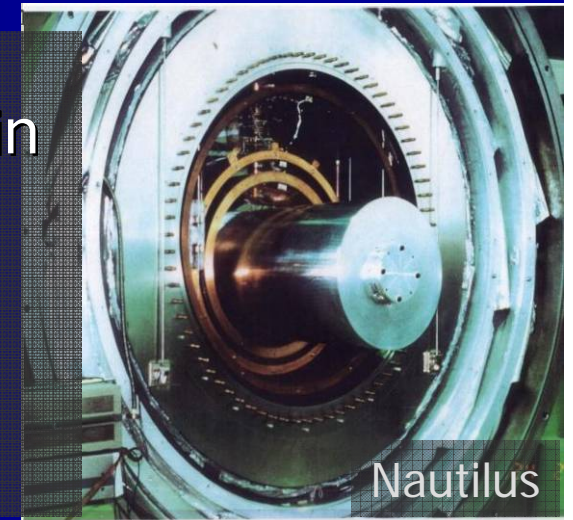


30m Garching prototype



Explorer

- From the 70's on Europe has been a leading force in GW detection efforts
- Bars: Munich, Glasgow, Frascati, Legnaro, CERN
- Interferometers: Munich, Glasgow



Nautilus



Billing with Munich bar



Glasgow bar



3m Munich interferometer

European GW expertise

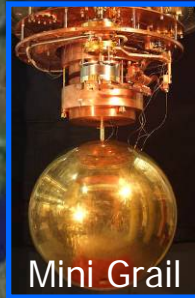
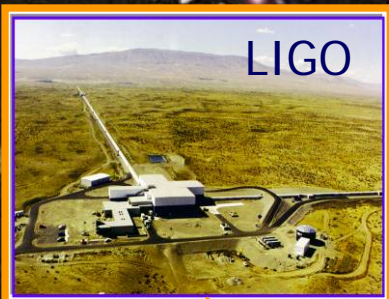


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Current Interferometers

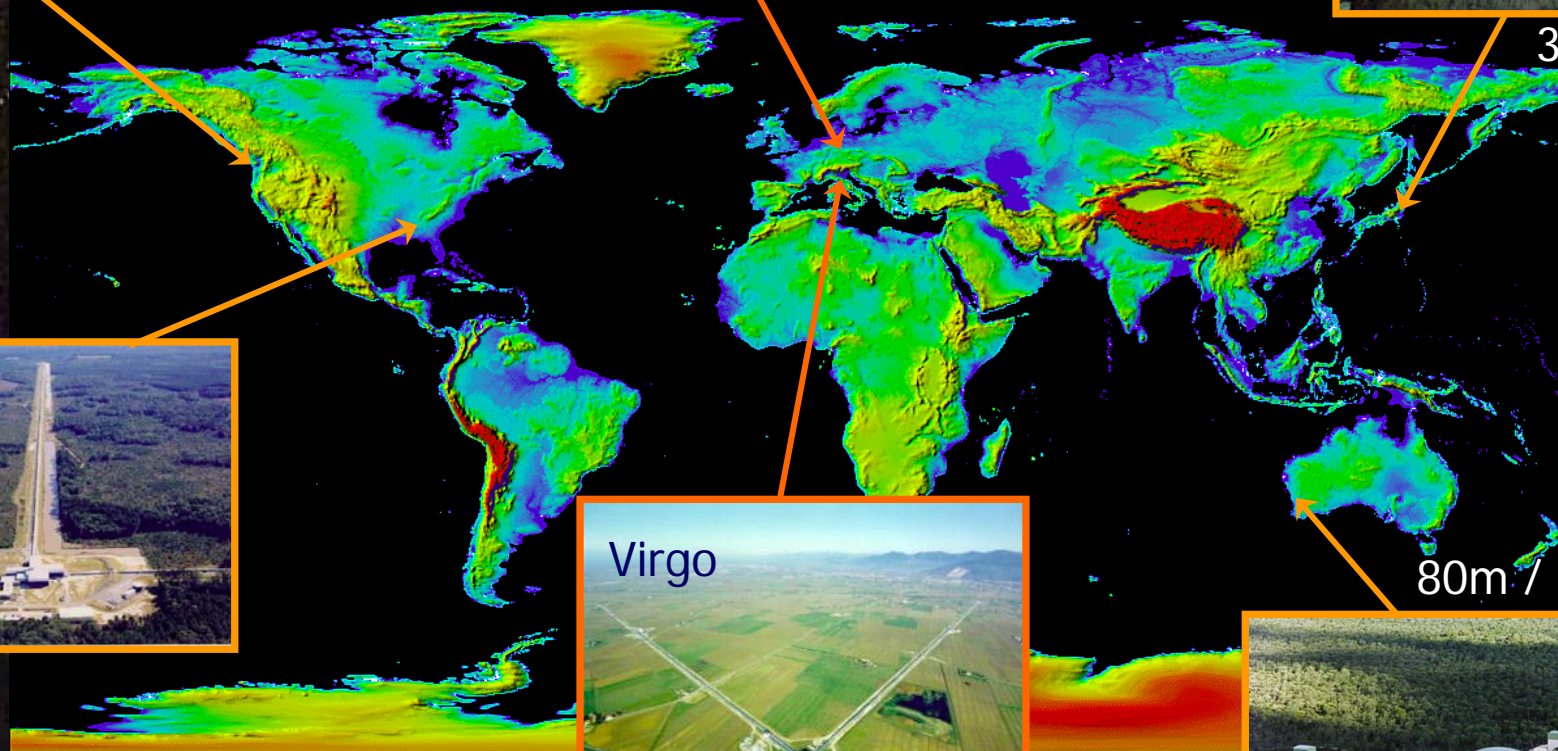


600 m



300 m

4 km
2 km



4 km



3 km

80m / 5 km



Science data runs to date

- Since Autumn 2001 GEO and LIGO have completed 4 science runs
 - Some runs done in coincidence with TAMA and bars (Allegro)
 - LIGO now at design sensitivity
- 'Upper Limits' have been set for a range of signals
- >19 major papers published or in press since 2004

S5: started on 4th Nov. 2005 at Hanford (LLO a few weeks later)

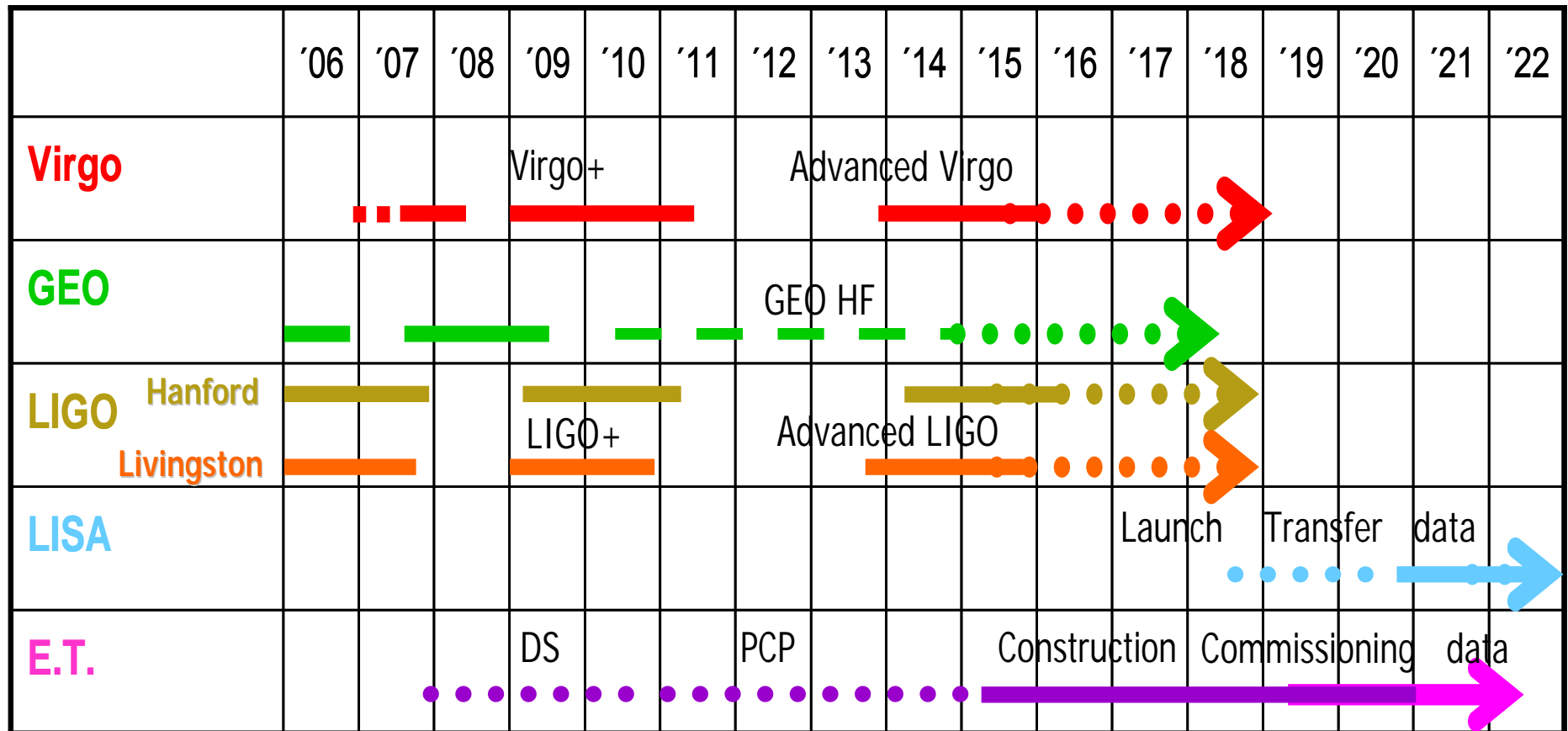
GEO joined initially for overnight data taking in Jan 06, then 24/7 till Oct 06 then interleaved with commissioning

Virgo joined May 18th 2007

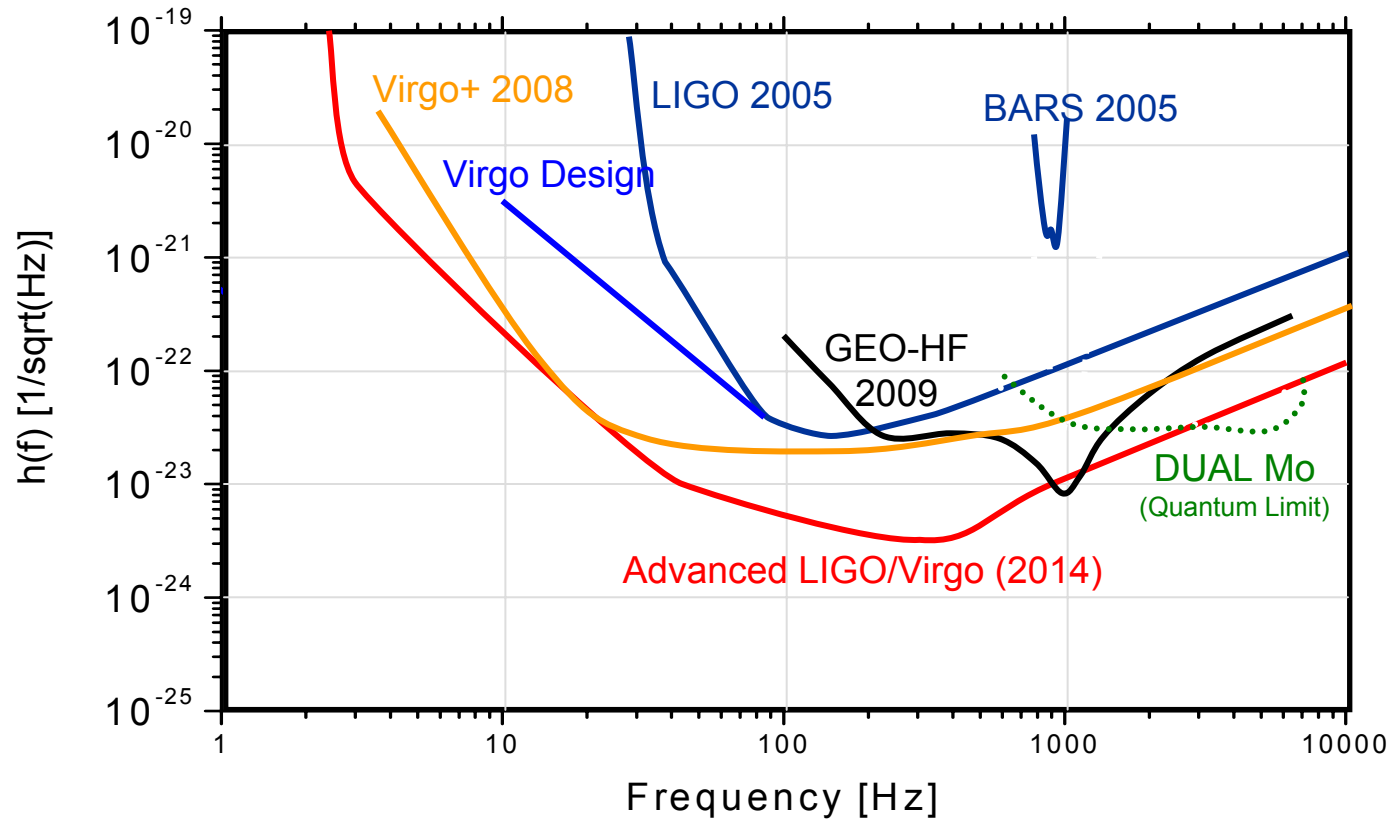
Planned detector evolution

- **There is some possibility of detection with the initial instruments**
 - For example, binary black hole rates could be as high as 1 event per 4 years
- However detection with the initial instruments is not guaranteed
- Thus plans for improving the sensitivity are in place
 - GEO-HF
 - 'Enhanced' then 'Advanced' LIGO
 - 'Virgo +' then 'Advanced' Virgo
 - 3rd generation instrument – Einstein Telescope (E.T.)
- These upgrades will be interleaved with periods of data taking
- Sensitivity improvements are broadly aimed at reducing
 - Photoelectron shot noise
 - Thermal noise
 - Seismic noise

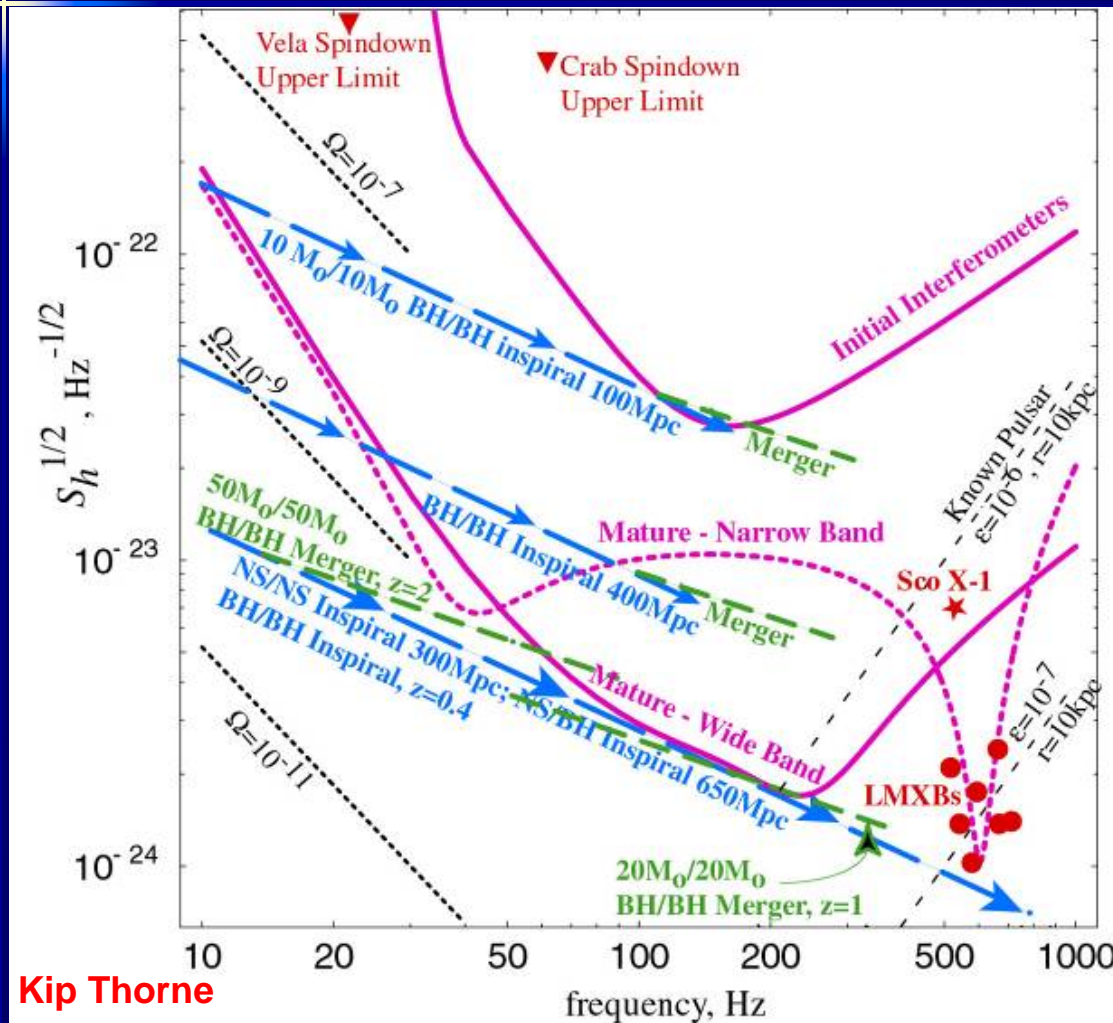
Future detectors and data taking plans



Advanced Projects



Science Potential of Advanced Instruments



Kip Thorne

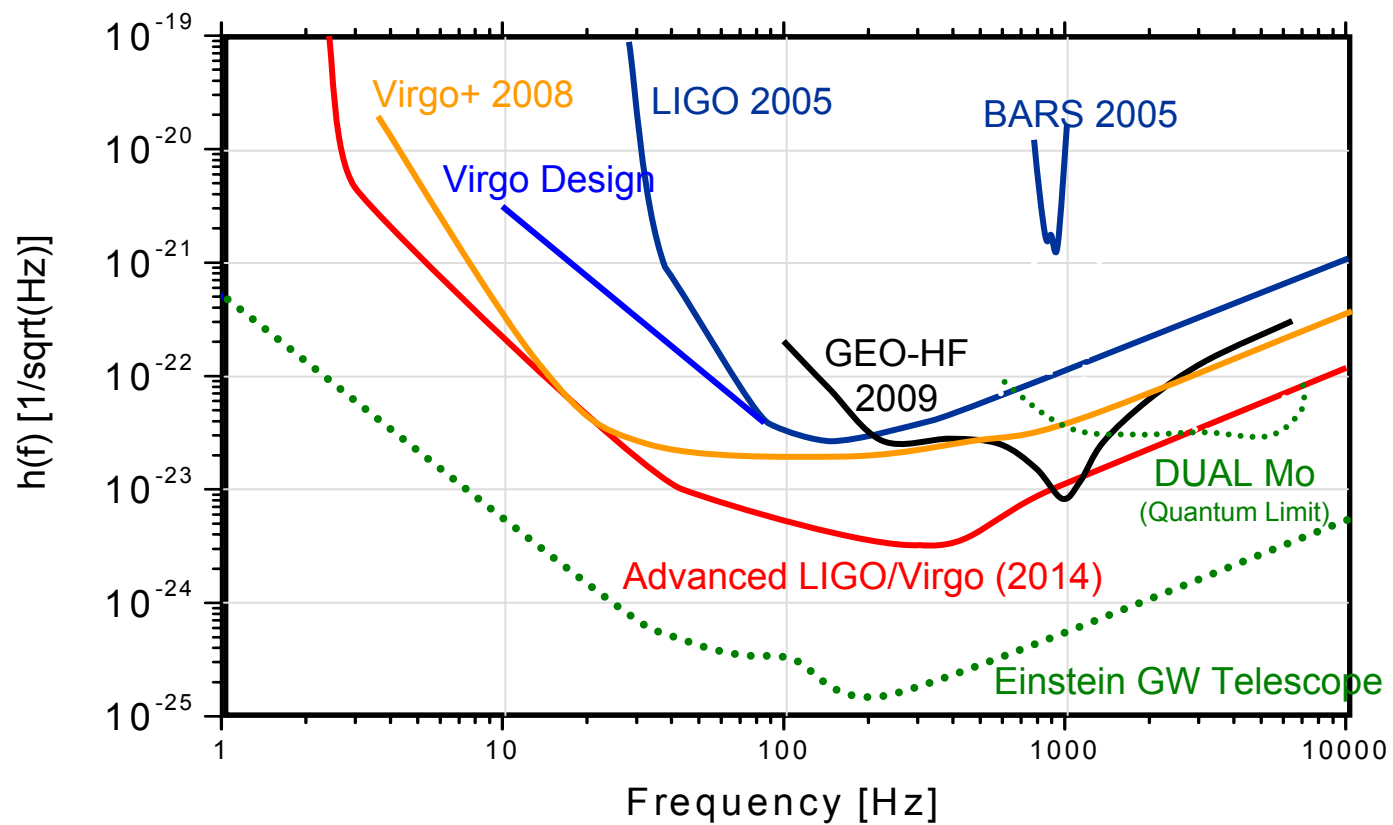
Binary neutron stars:
From ~ 20 Mpc to ~ 350 Mpc

Known pulsars:
From $\epsilon = 3 \times 10^{-6}$ to 2×10^{-8}

Binary black holes:
From ~ 100 Mpc to $z=2$

Stochastic background:
From $\Omega_{\text{GW}} \sim 3 \times 10^{-6}$ to $\sim 3 \times 10^{-9}$

E.T.



Sources and Science from E.T. Exploiting the possibilities of GW astronomy

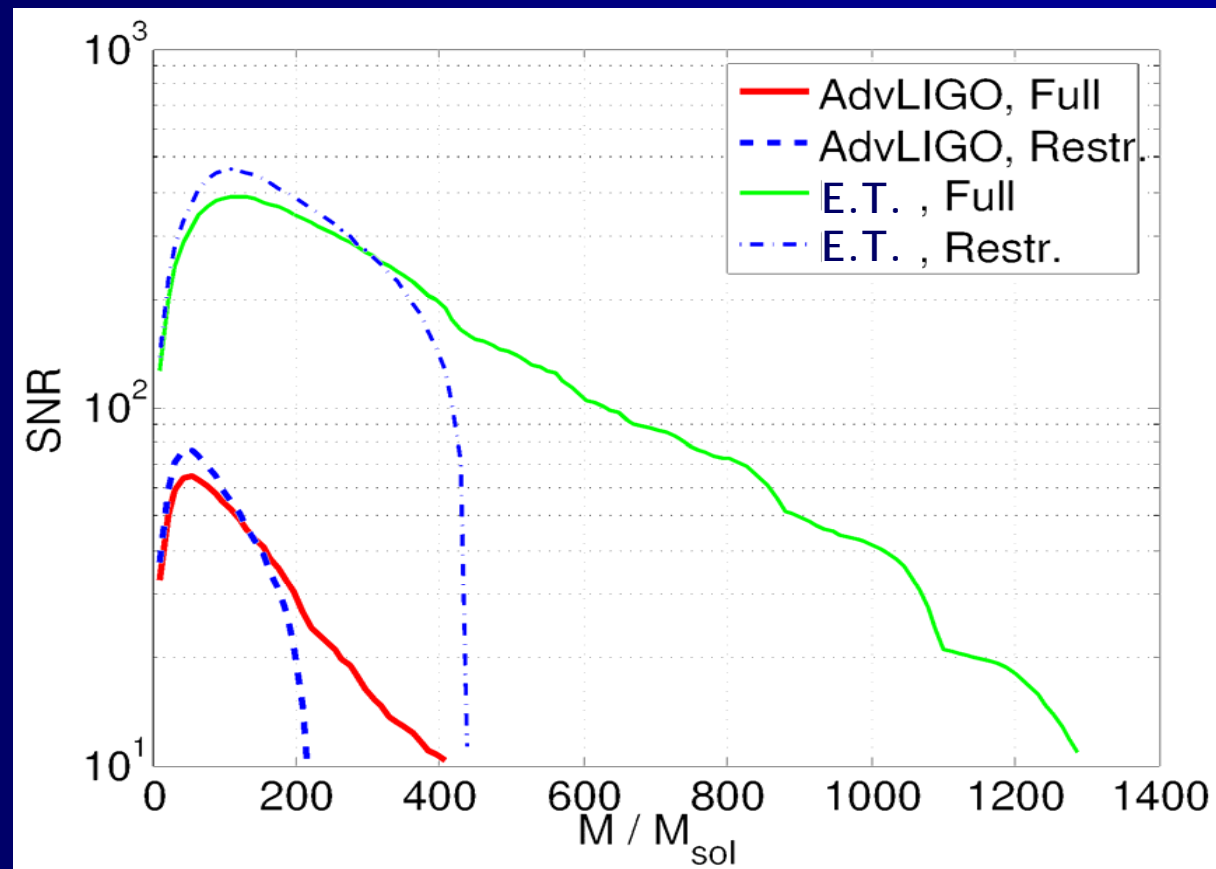
- **Fundamental Physics:** Test general relativity in the strongly non-linear regime
 - Initial and advanced detectors won't have the sensitivity required to test strong field GR (too low SNR)
 - Most tests are currently quoted in the context of LISA
 - E.T. will have good enough SNR for rare BBH mergers which will enable strong-field test of GR
- **Cosmology:** Resolve the problem of dark energy
 - Obtain accurate luminosity vs. distance relationship from inspirals at a red-shift $z \sim 1$ from GW/EM observations

Sources and Science from E.T.

Exploiting the possibilities of GW astronomy

- **Astrophysics:** Take a census of binary neutron stars in the high red-shift Univ.
 - Adv VIRGO/LIGO will provide info on BNS mergers, possibly provide links to γ -ray bursts
 - E.T. should be able to do much more: see different classes of sources (NS-NS, NS-BH), determine their orientation and **resolve the enigma in the variety of γ -ray bursts**
- **New Sources and Science:** Detect intermediate mass binary black holes at cosmological distances
 - Higher harmonics that are unimportant in Initial or Advanced detectors highly relevant in E.T.
 - Can see IMBH in higher harmonics

Effect of higher harmonics on SNR in E.T.



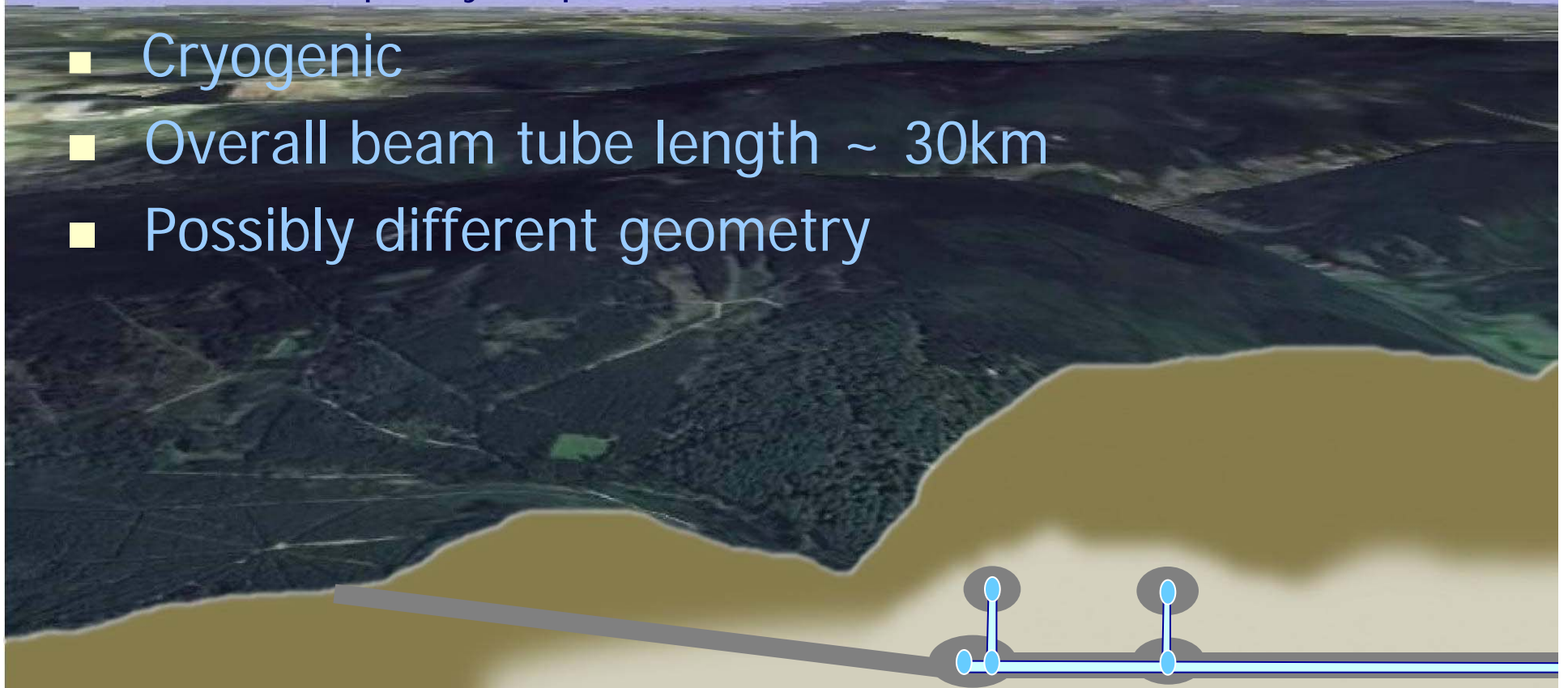
Sources at a distance of 100 Mpc

Need for new infrastructure

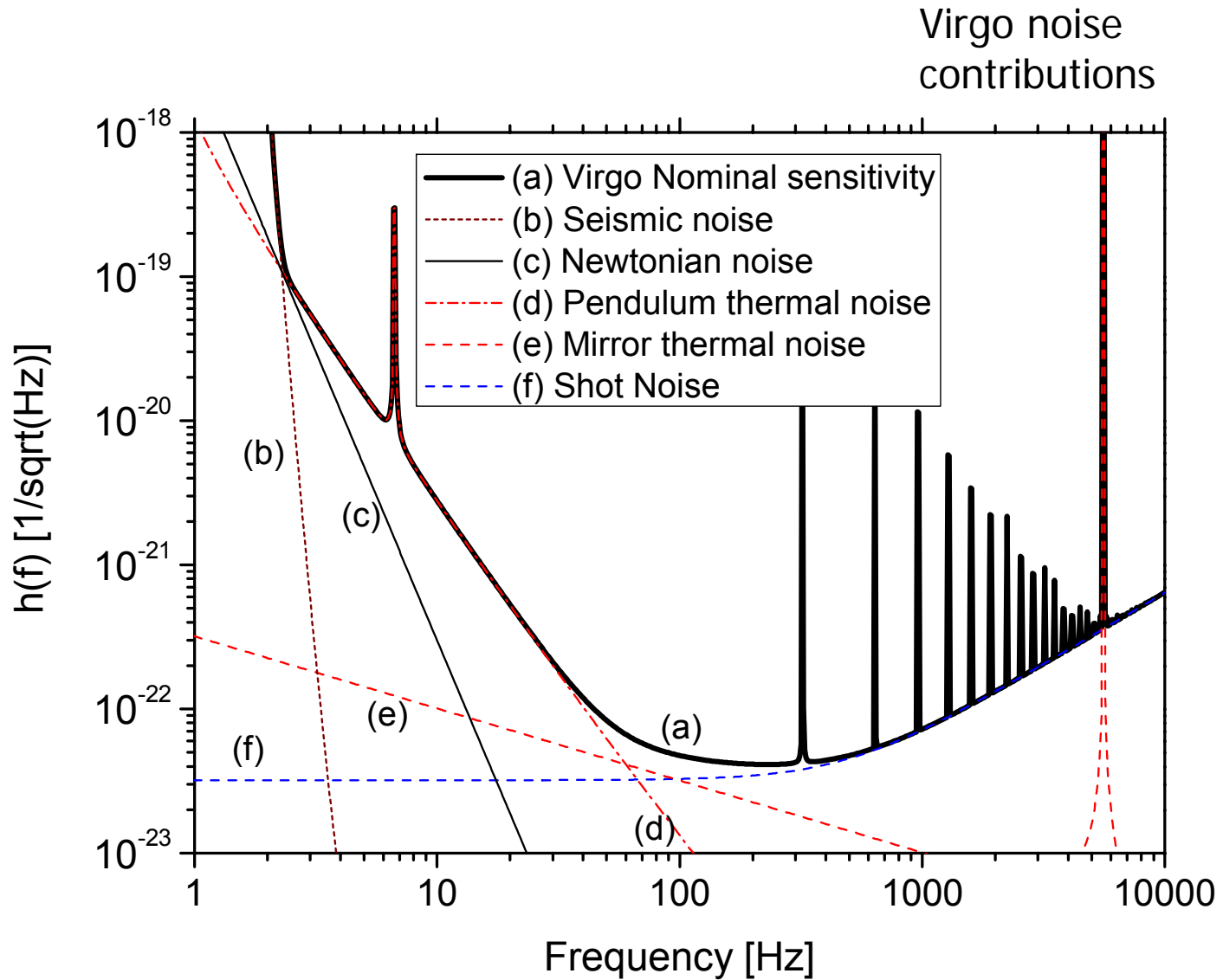
- Existing facilities subject to high, unshieldable environmental noise levels (seismic, gravity gradient noise)
- Data taking with advanced detectors incompatible with installation of third generation techniques in same envelope (requires long commissioning times)

Baseline Concept

- Underground location
 - Reduce seismic noise
 - Reduce gravity gradient noise
 - Low frequency suspensions
- Cryogenic
- Overall beam tube length ~ 30km
- Possibly different geometry



Typical noise sources



Working Packages

- (1) Site and infrastructure
- (2) Thermal noise of mirrors and suspensions / cryogenics
- (3) Optical configuration
- (4) Astrophysics issues
- (5) Management

WP1: Site requirements and identification

- Identify strategies to reach a further reduction of the seismic noise effects beyond the second generation detectors expectations.
- Seismic requirements and methods to reach sensitivity goals @ low frequencies
- Gravity gradient noise evaluation
- Site selection and evaluation

WP2: Thermal Noise Requirements

Identify strategies to minimize thermal noise of test-masses

- **Material Losses @ low temperatures**

Identify materials for:

- Mirror bulk
- Mirror coating
- Mirror suspension wires

- **Seismic Attenuation Requirements**

- Suspension seismic attenuation requirements (input from WP1, site selection)
- Identification of control strategy and optimal mode frequencies

- **Preliminary conceptual Design of the overall Cryogenic Suspension**

- Upper suspension stage
 - Active vs. Passive
 - Conceptual design of damping, alignment and optical losses requirements
 - Cryogenic compatibility
- Last Stage
 - Test mass requirements (geometry and size (input from WG3), mechanical and optical losses req., test mass definition, suspension wire material and size, actuation of the last stage)

- **Finalizing Conceptual Design of Cryogenic Suspension**

WP3:

Topology Identification

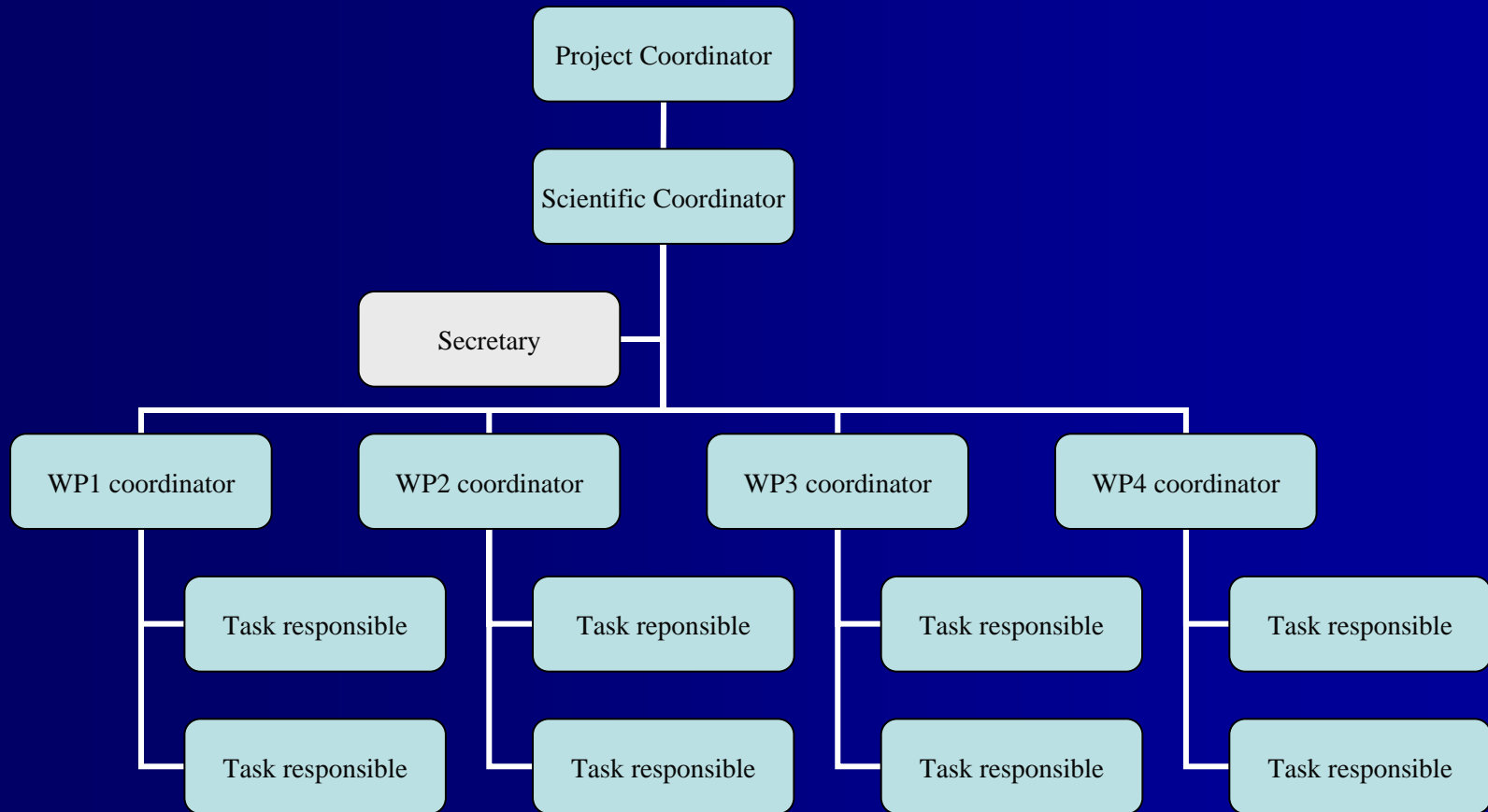
- **Evaluation of available and developing technologies** for the suppression of quantum noise.
Quantify the feasibility and cost of:
 - recycling techniques,
 - using laser sources with larger wavelength
 - use of squeezed light sources
 - constructing interferometers as speed or momentum meters
 - displacement-noise-free interferometry
 - all-reflective interferometry.
- **Modelling of Interferometer Topologies** (= arrangement of optical components)
Determine quantum noise limited sensitivity of different technologies for similar bounding conditions
- **Modelling of Interferometer Geometries** (= interferometer shape/s)
Quantify signal extraction and noise reduction capabilities of multiple interferometers in dependence of their relative geometry (co-located, co-linear, etc.)
- **Effects of high Laser Power**
 - Opto-mechanical coupling
 - thermal lensing
 - Parametric instabilities
 - feasibility of all-reflective techniques
- **Cross-Compatibilities**
- **Trade-off analysis**
 - pre-selection of geometry and topology
 - trade-off analysis taking into account WP1 & WP2 results
- **Modelling of Interferometer Configurations** (= parameters, e.g. cavity Finesse)
 - Initial design of optical-readout and control configuration for given topology
 - Quantify technical noise propagation to detector output
 - Iterate optical design

WP4:

Astrophysics Issues

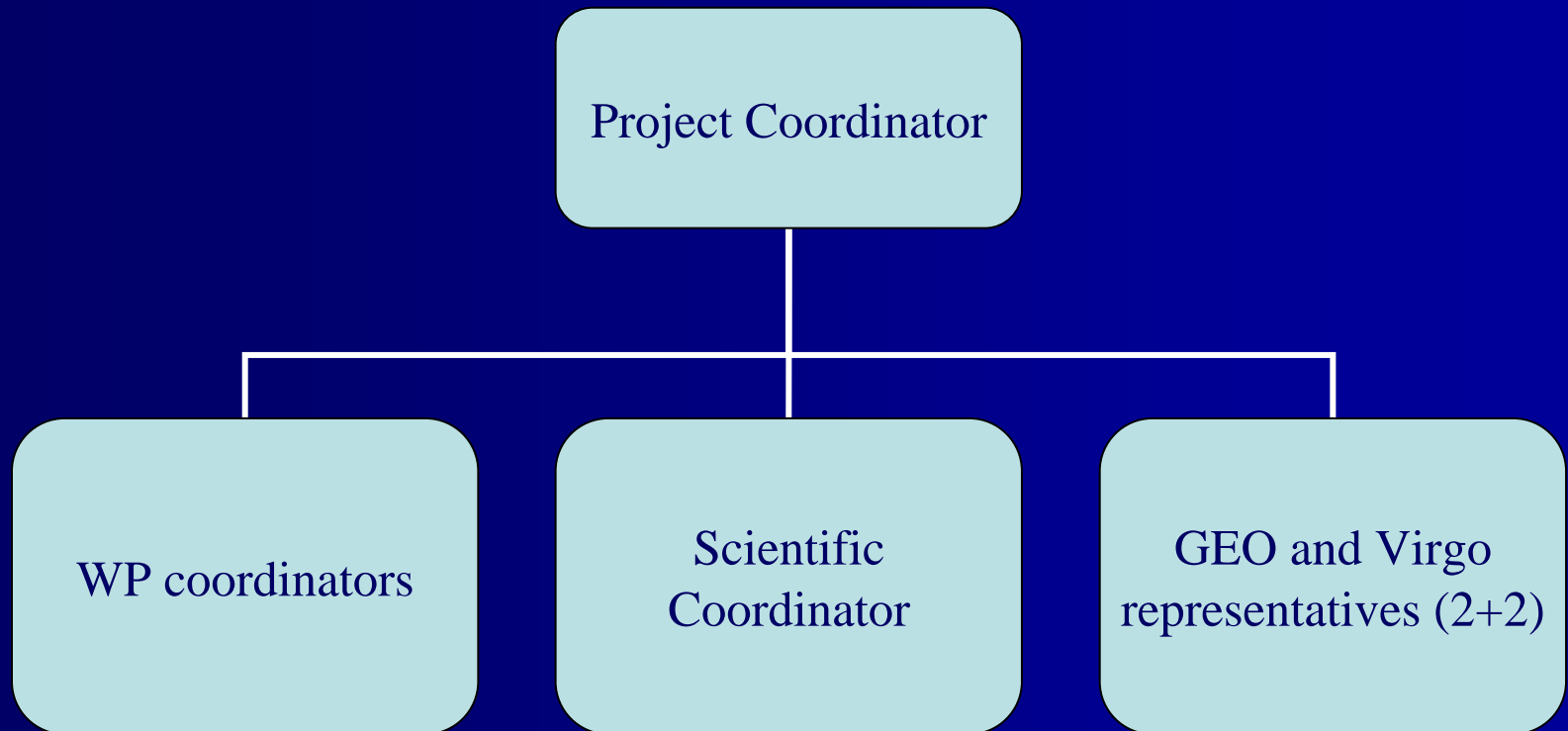
- **White paper** Assuming a 1 Hz – 10 kHz frequency range of operation produce a straw man document discussing a minimum and an optimistic science requirement for E.T. Study tunings to low frequency (1-10 Hz), medium frequency (10-100 Hz), high frequency (0.1-1 kHz) and very high frequency (1-10 kHz) sources.
- **Science potential** Consider in detail the potential of such an interferometer to study different classes of sources.
- **Cosmology** number counts, relationship to star formation rate history, observation of intermediate mass black hole binaries, origin and evolution of super-massive black holes at galactic nuclei, primordial stochastic backgrounds of gravitational waves.
- **Multi-window observation** Explore how to go beyond conventional GW astronomy goal. For example, the scientific benefit of multi-messenger astronomy deploying high energy astrophysics combined with E.T. observations to study accretion disk environments, x-ray binaries, magnetars, glitching radio pulsars, transient x-ray and radio sources, etc.
- **Strong field tests of GR**
- **Input from numerical relativity** Explore how numerical relativity simulations would be helpful in E.T. observations of binary black holes and how observations can be used to guide the simulations.
- **Computing requirements** Estimate the computational resources required for data analysis.

WP5: Management



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Executive board



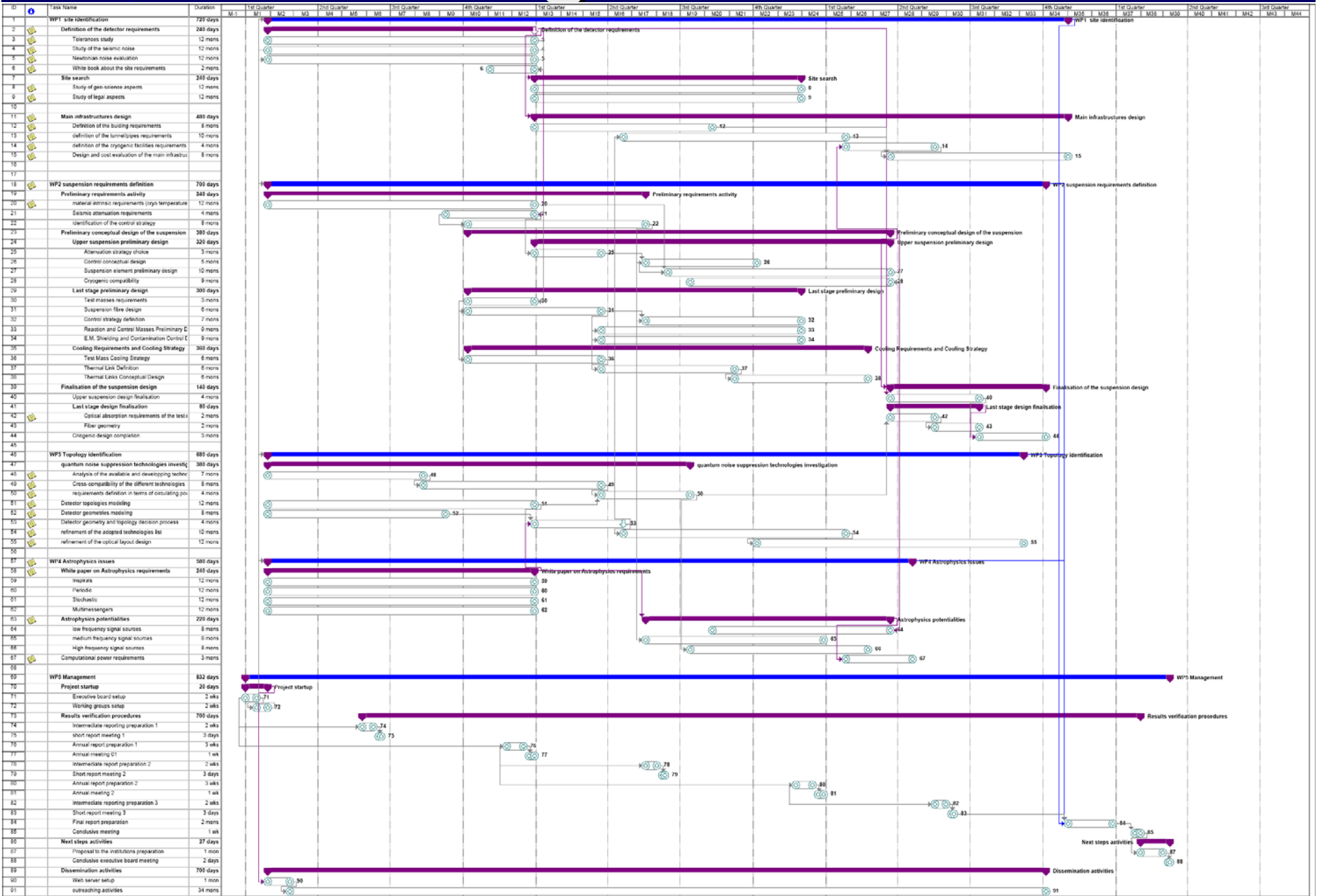
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Science team

- Participation open to all scientists of the GW community willing to contribute to this project through their expertise and networking ability.
- Co-chaired (first 6 months) by GEO spokesperson and by Virgo-EGO Scientific Forum coordinator

The Science Team is to keep **continuous contact** between the scientists working in the project **with the larger GW scientific community** and to allocate resources (man power and know-how) available outside the project for all the activities in the project that need external support

Timing of the DS



Participating institutions

Participant no.	Participant organization name	Country
1	European Gravitational Observatory	Italy
2	Istituto Nazionale di Fisica Nucleare	Italy
3	Max-Planck-Gesellschaft zur Förderung der Wissenschaften e.V., acting through Max-Planck-Institut für Gravitationsphysik	Germany
4	Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique	France
5	University of Birmingham	United Kingdom
6	University of Glasgow	United Kingdom
7	National Institute for Nuclear Physics and High Energy Physics	The Netherlands
8	Cardiff University	United Kingdom

DRAFT costings for Phase II Roadmap – Gravitational Waves working group

Summary of all of the projects' total costs over time, 2008-2018 beginning with the R&D phase

NOTE! Staff costs are NOT included in the investment costs. All costs NON inflation corrected.

	Total costs (kEuro)	FTE
Project 1: bars	1080	56
Project 2: DUAL	19300	284
Project 3: GEO HF	19050	256
Project 4: enhanced LIGO	8475	101
Project 5: adv. LIGO	17486	290
Project 6: Virgo+	23626	464
Project 7: Adv. Virgo	40436	1126
Project 8: Einstein Telescope	380000	736

Questions for the PRC

- Costings – Include personnel and Full Economic Costs?
- Inflation – to be included? At what rate?
- What precisely to present in Amsterdam?
- What happens after the Amsterdam meeting?
- Mechanism for feedback from PRC to the WGs and on what timescale?