

LIGO + multi-messenger astrophysics: how can we get the most out of observations?

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End of the road.

Multimessenger astrophysics with gravitational waves

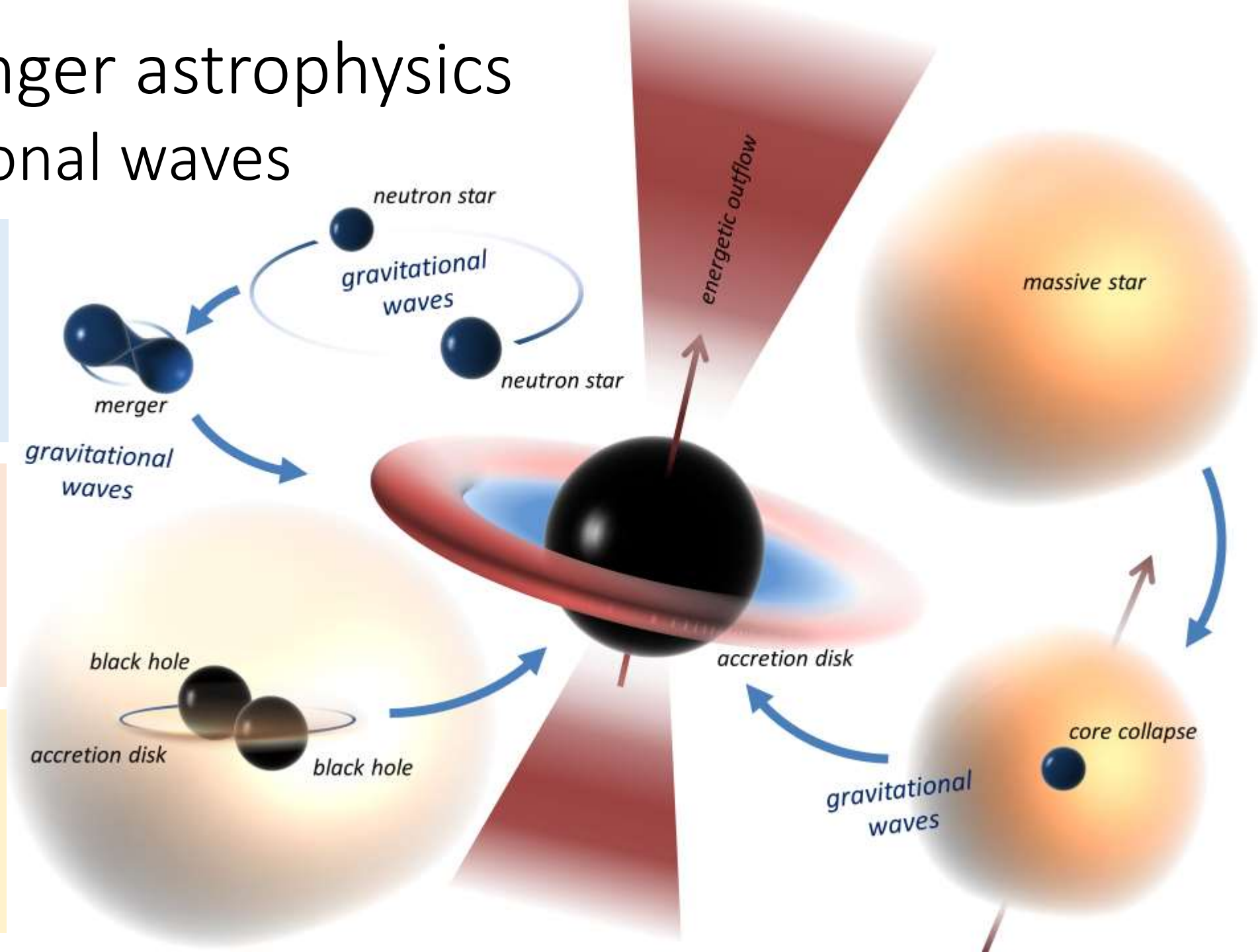
Gravitational waves:
black hole / neutron star
formation / evolution

Powerful transients:

1. compact binary merger
2. core collapse supernova

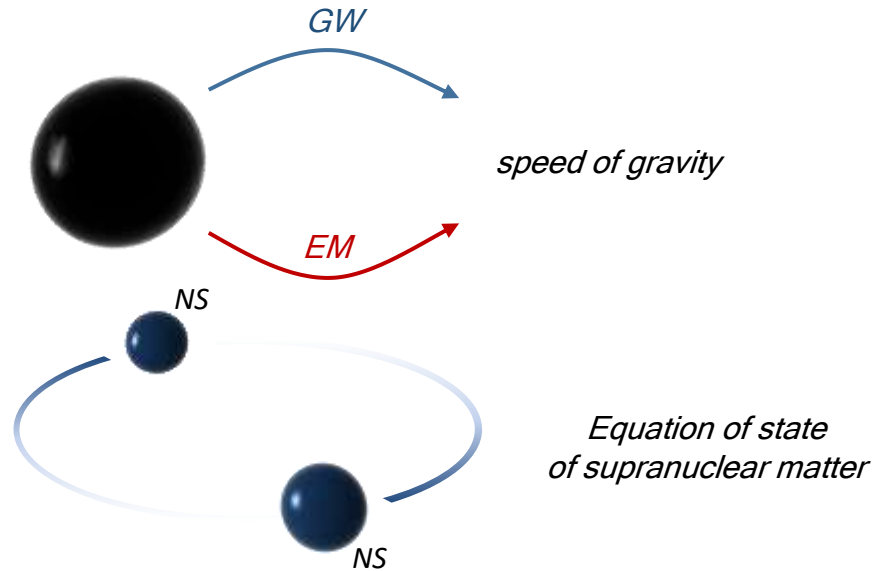
Goals:

1. Detect more
2. Learn more

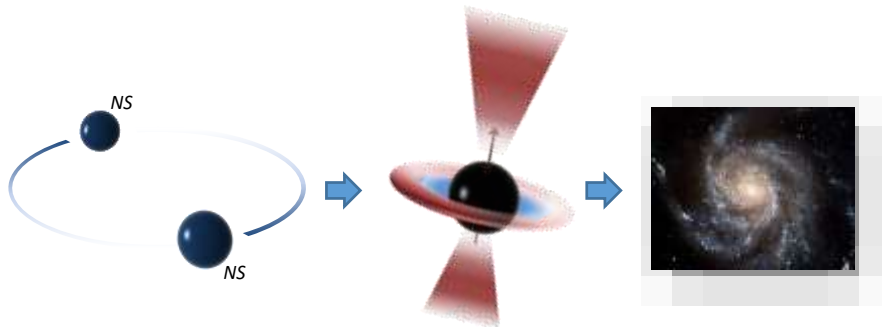


science targets

PHYSICS

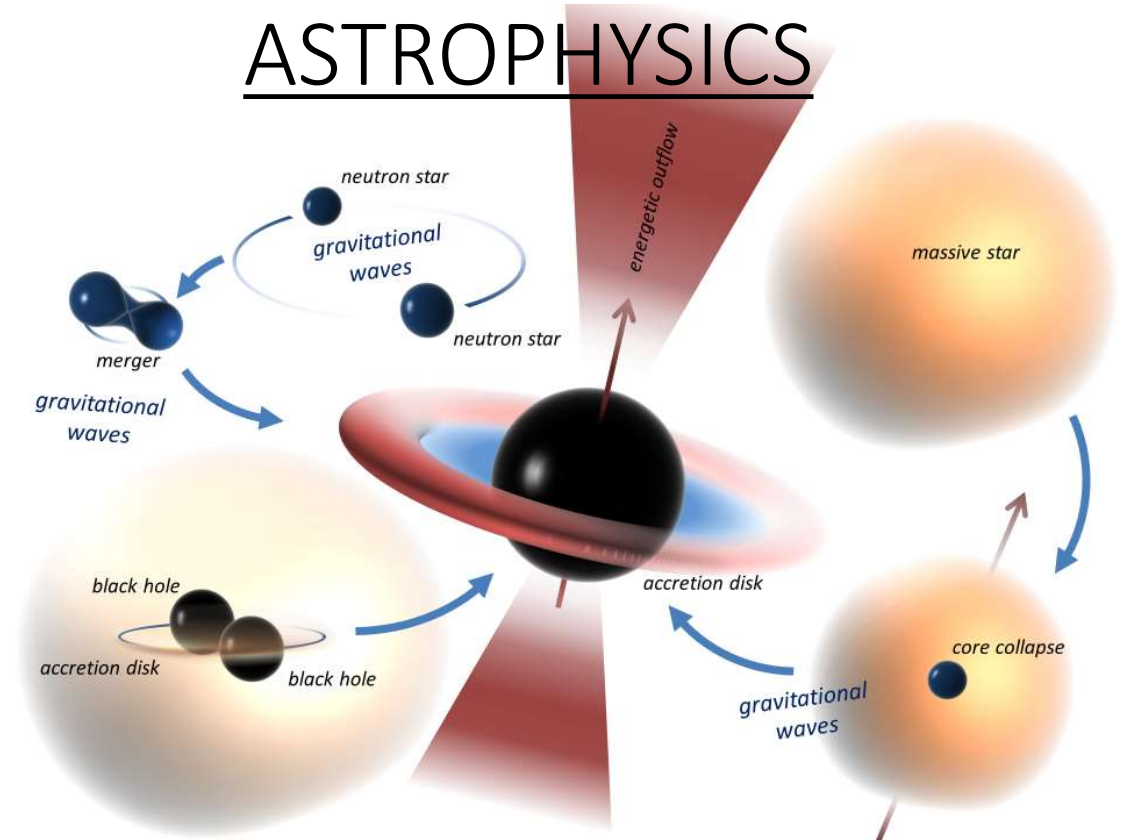


COSMOLOGY



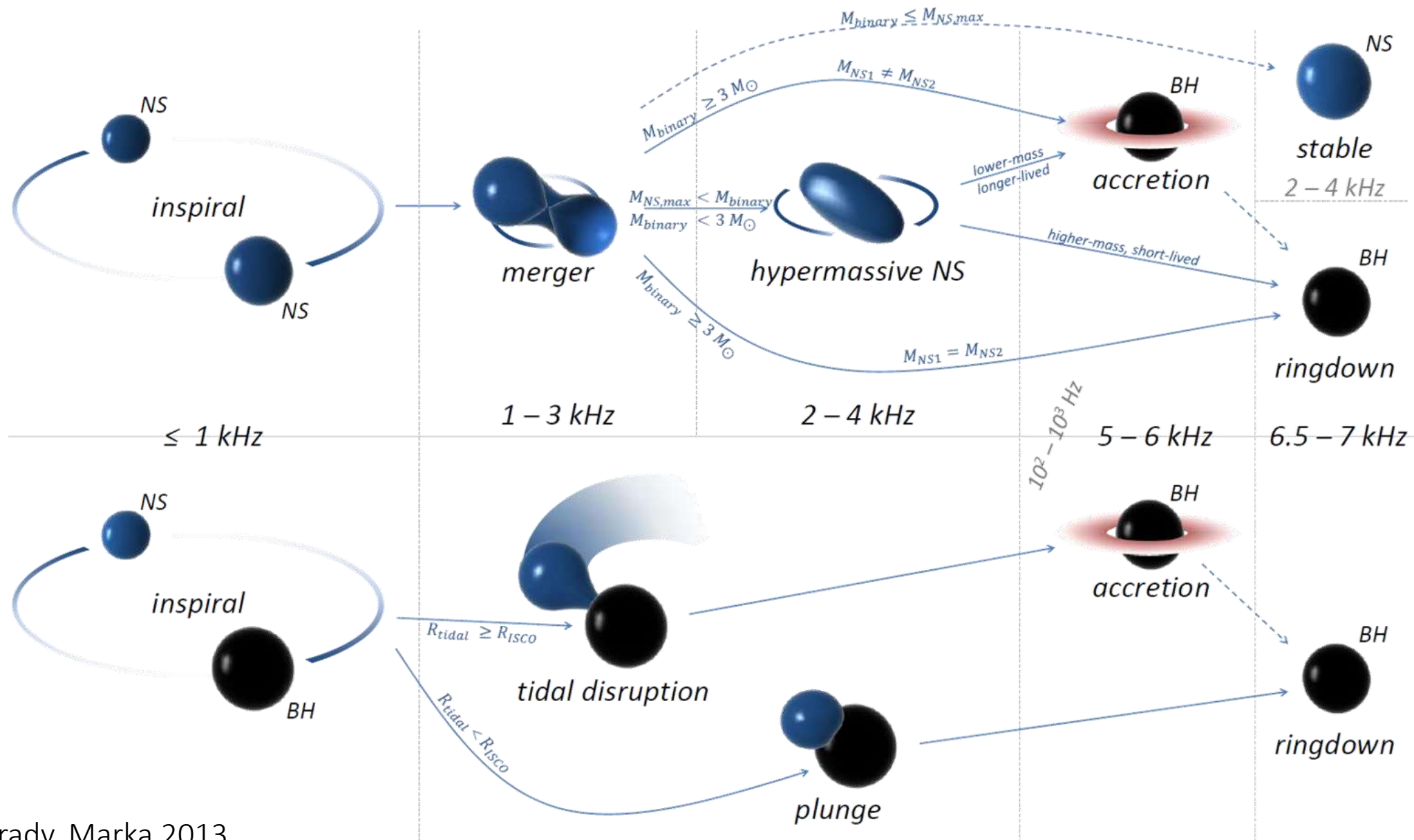
*Alternative
distance ladder*

ASTROPHYSICS

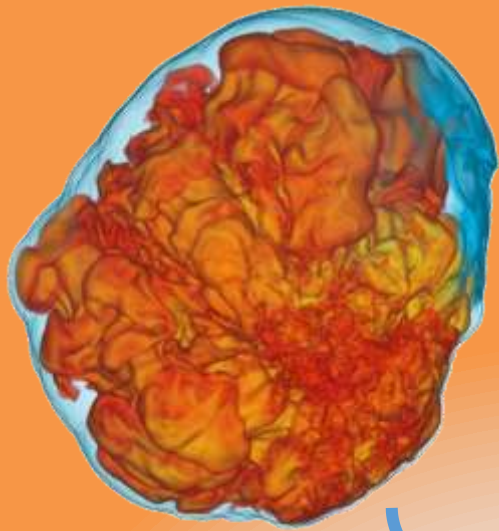


- *Black hole accretion*
- *Binary formation channels*
- *High-energy particle acceleration*
- *Origin of heavy nuclei*
- ...

progenitor: neutron star mergers



progenitor: core-collapse supernova (rapidly rotating core)



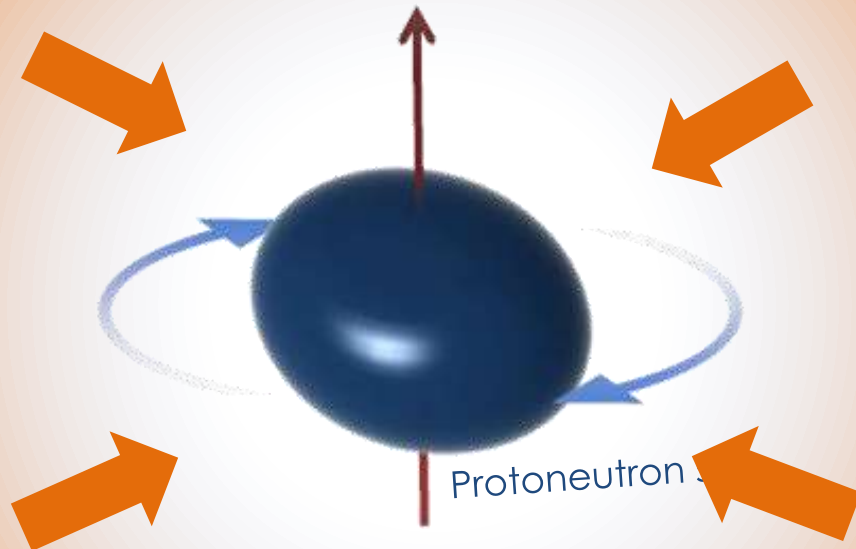
GWs from rapidly rotating cores?

Relevant distance scale:

Low-luminosity GRB / CCSN with jets: 10^2 - 10^3 Gpc⁻³ yr⁻¹
(Guetta & della Valle 2006; Soderberg+ Nature 2010)

(Beaming factor ~ 10)

→ 50-100 Mpc

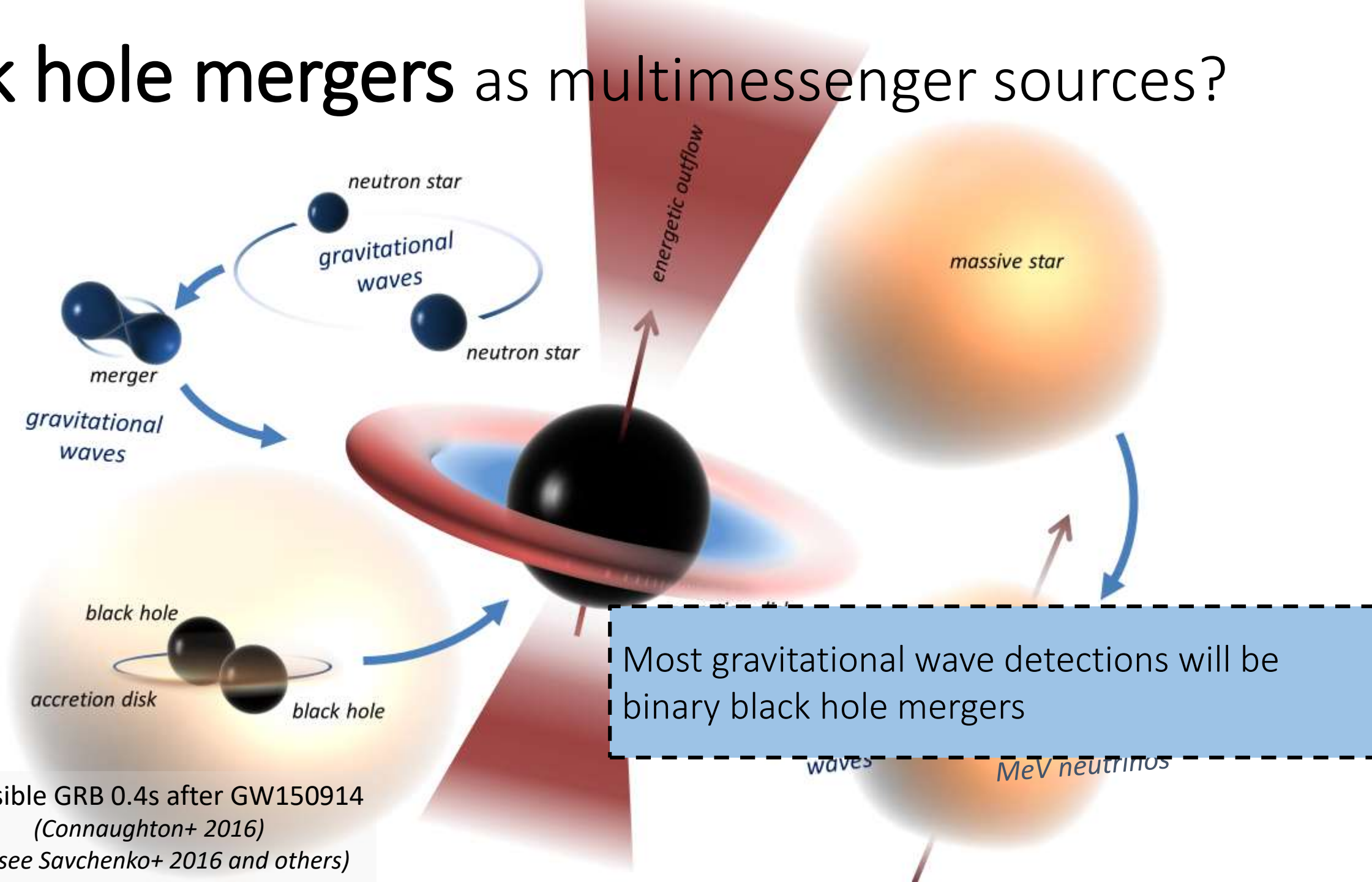


Differential rotation (e.g. Corvino+ 2010)

- **Dynamical instabilities** (shorter time scale)
- **Secular instabilities** (longer time scale)
- **Magnetic distortion**

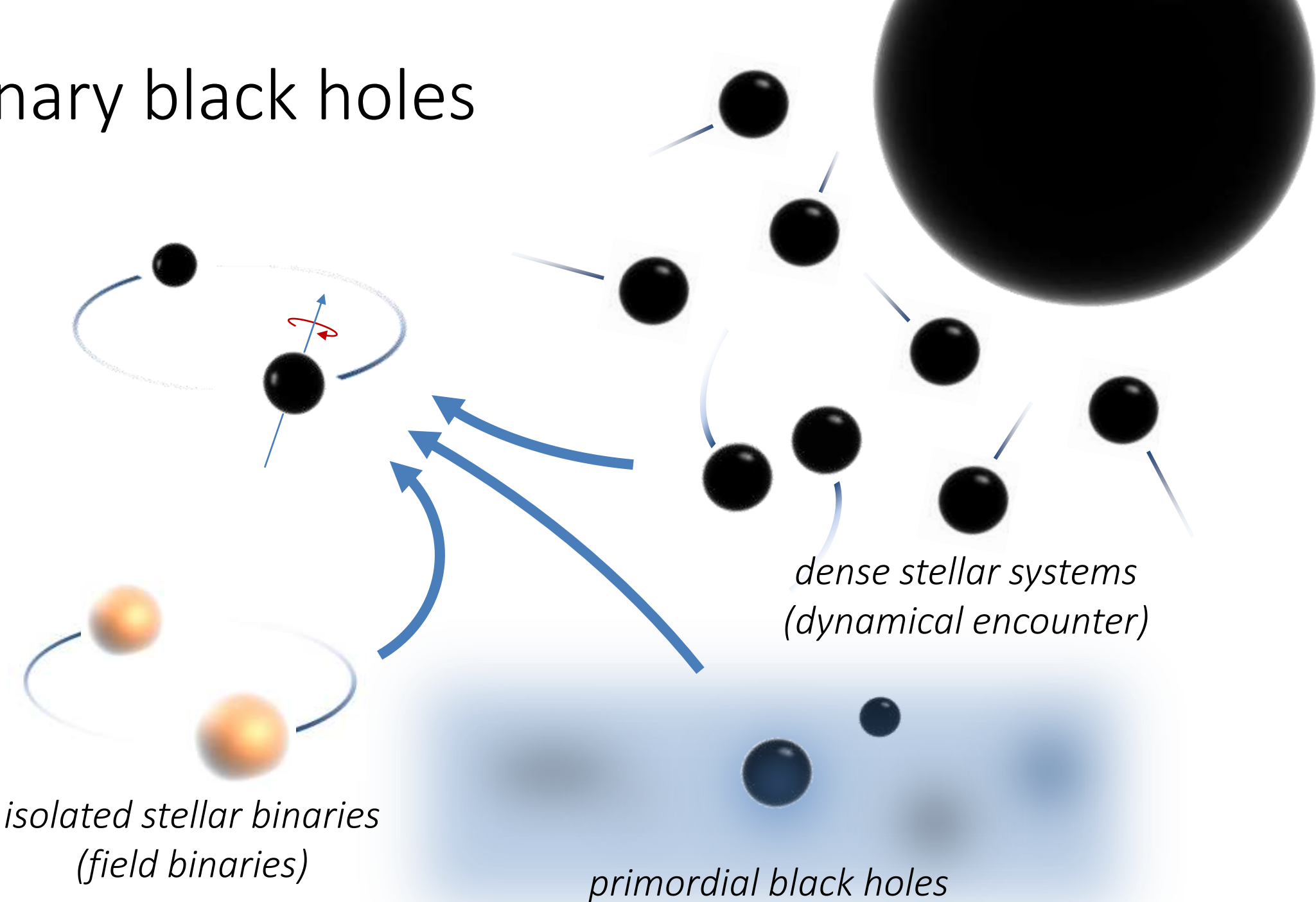
Fallback accretion? (Piro, Thrane, 2012)

black hole mergers as multimessenger sources?

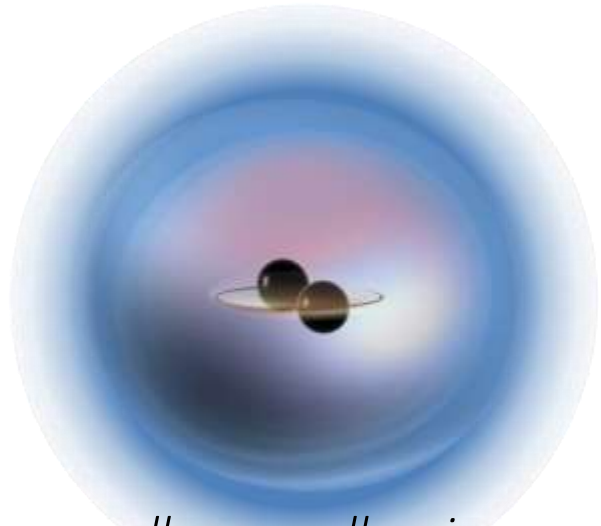


Fermi-LAT possible GRB 0.4s after GW150914
(Connaughton+ 2016)
(but see Savchenko+ 2016 and others)

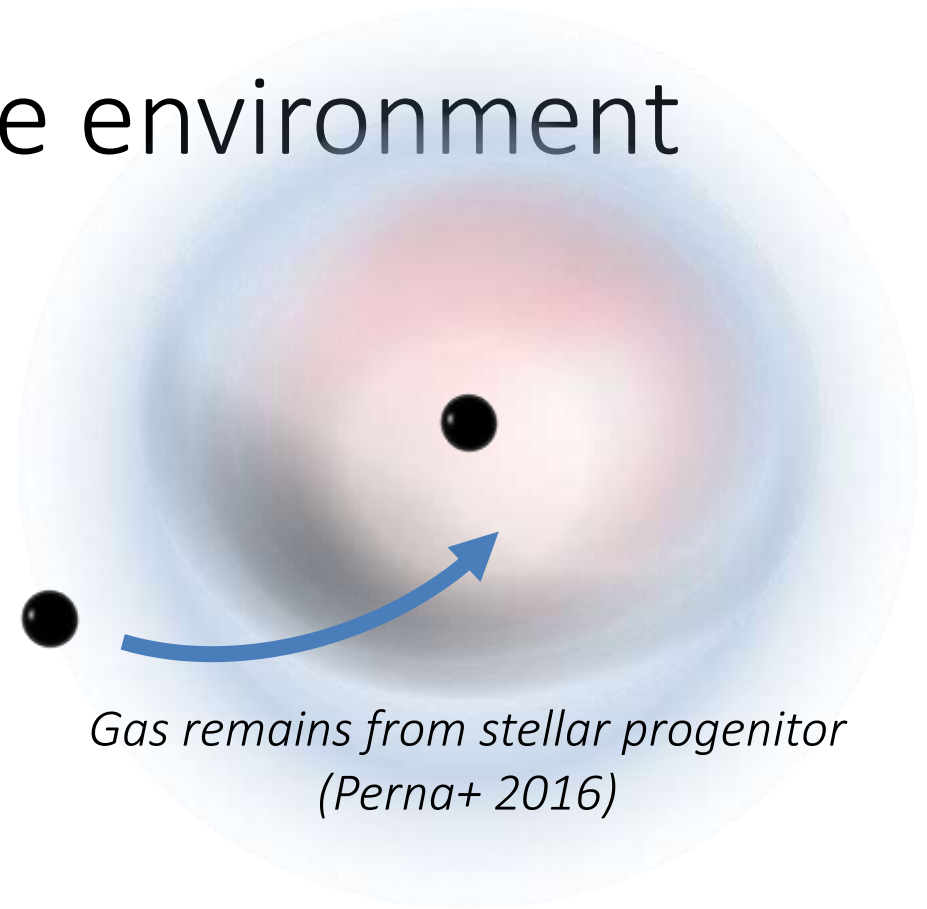
binary black holes



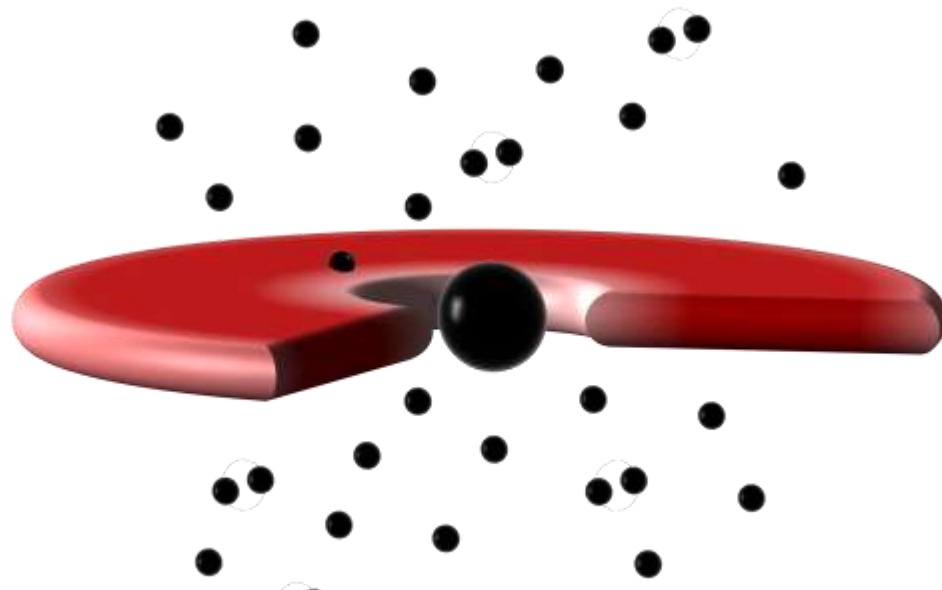
possible source of dense environment



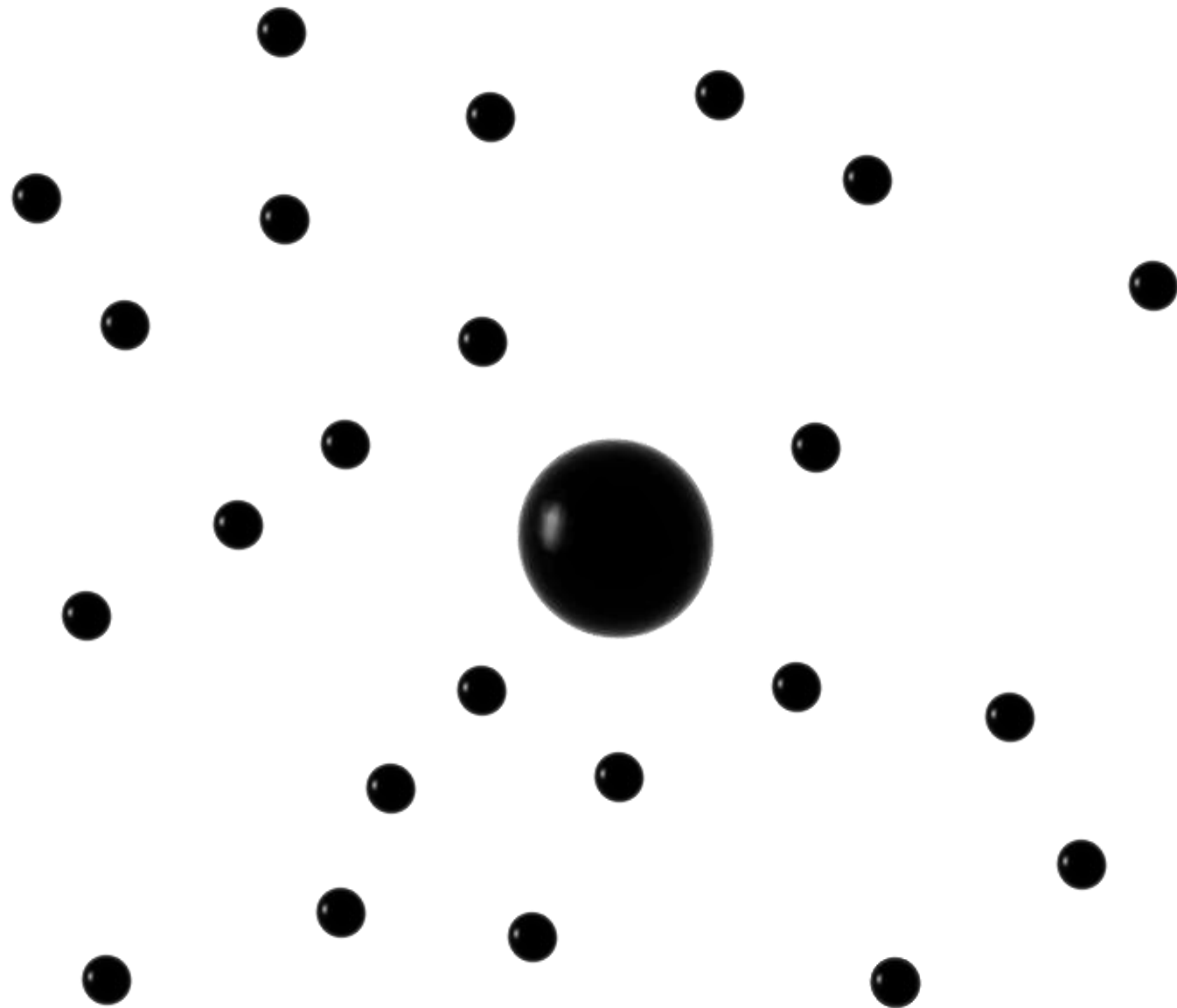
*Stellar core collapse: collapsing core clumps
(Loeb 2016)*



*Gas remains from stellar progenitor
(Perna+ 2016)*

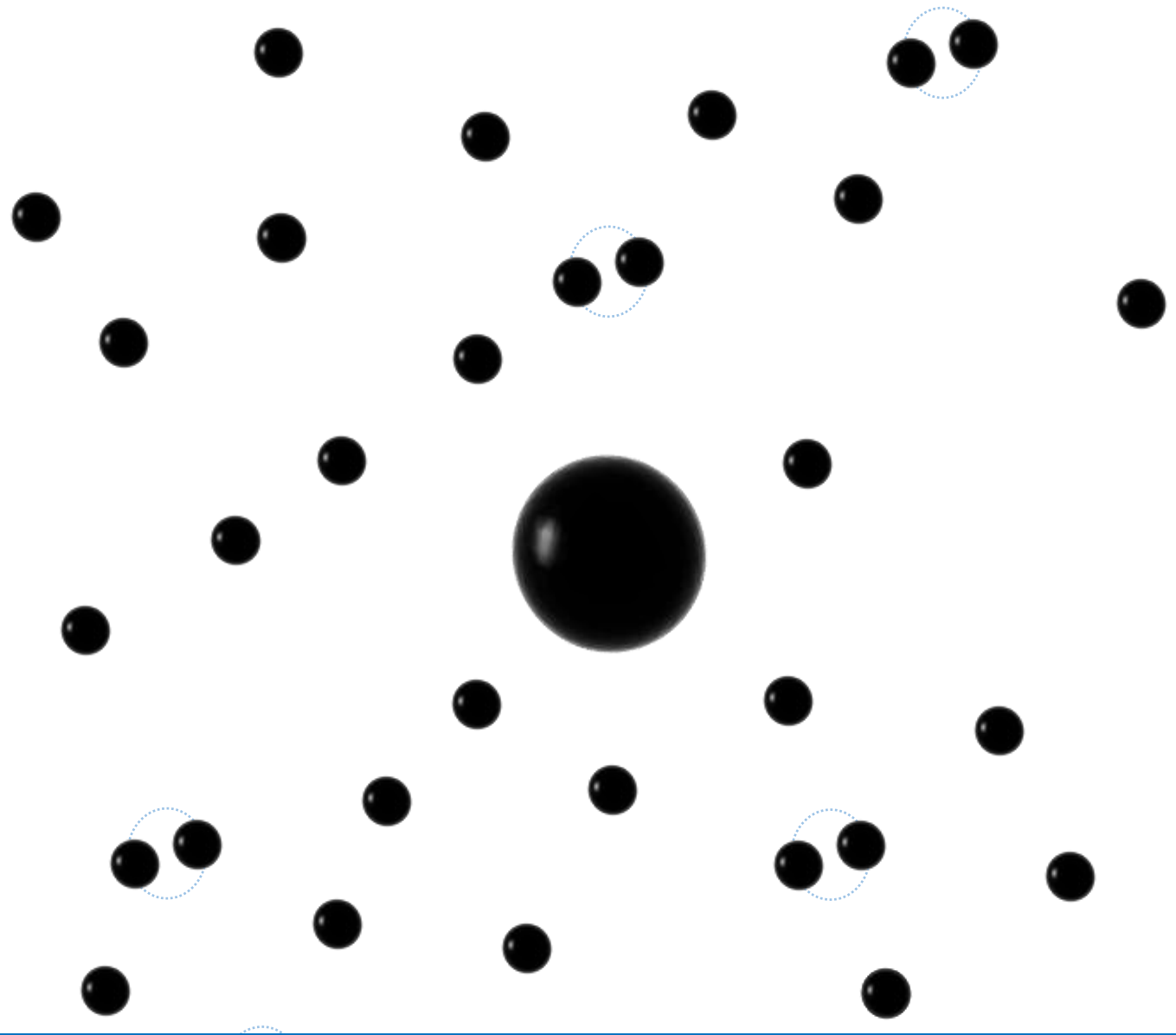


*Black holes form/reside/move into
dense environment
(Bartos+ 2016, Stone+ 2016)*



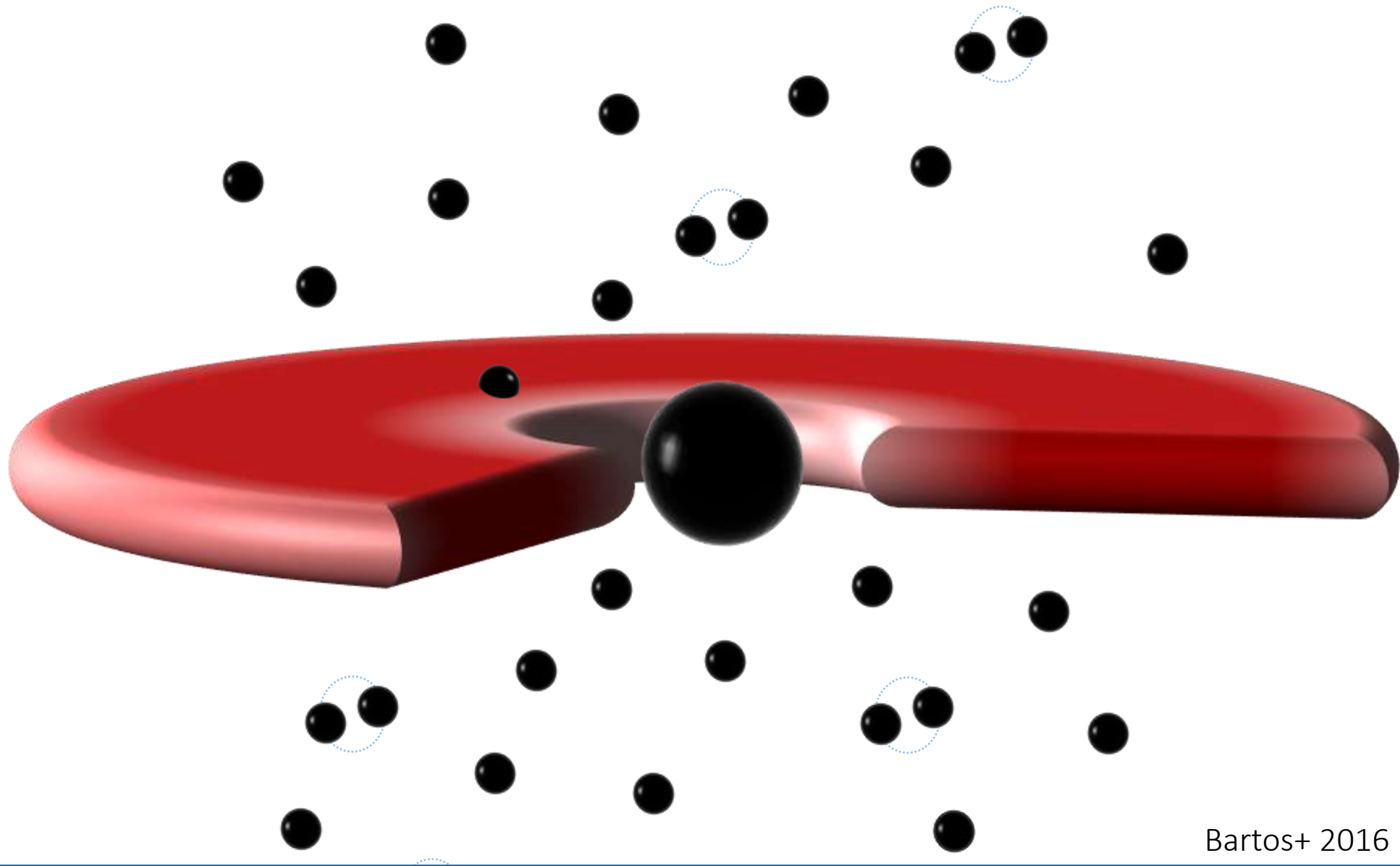
Bartos+ 2016

Galactic centers may harbor thousands of stellar mass black holes within the inner parsec (Morris 1993, O'Leary+ 2009).



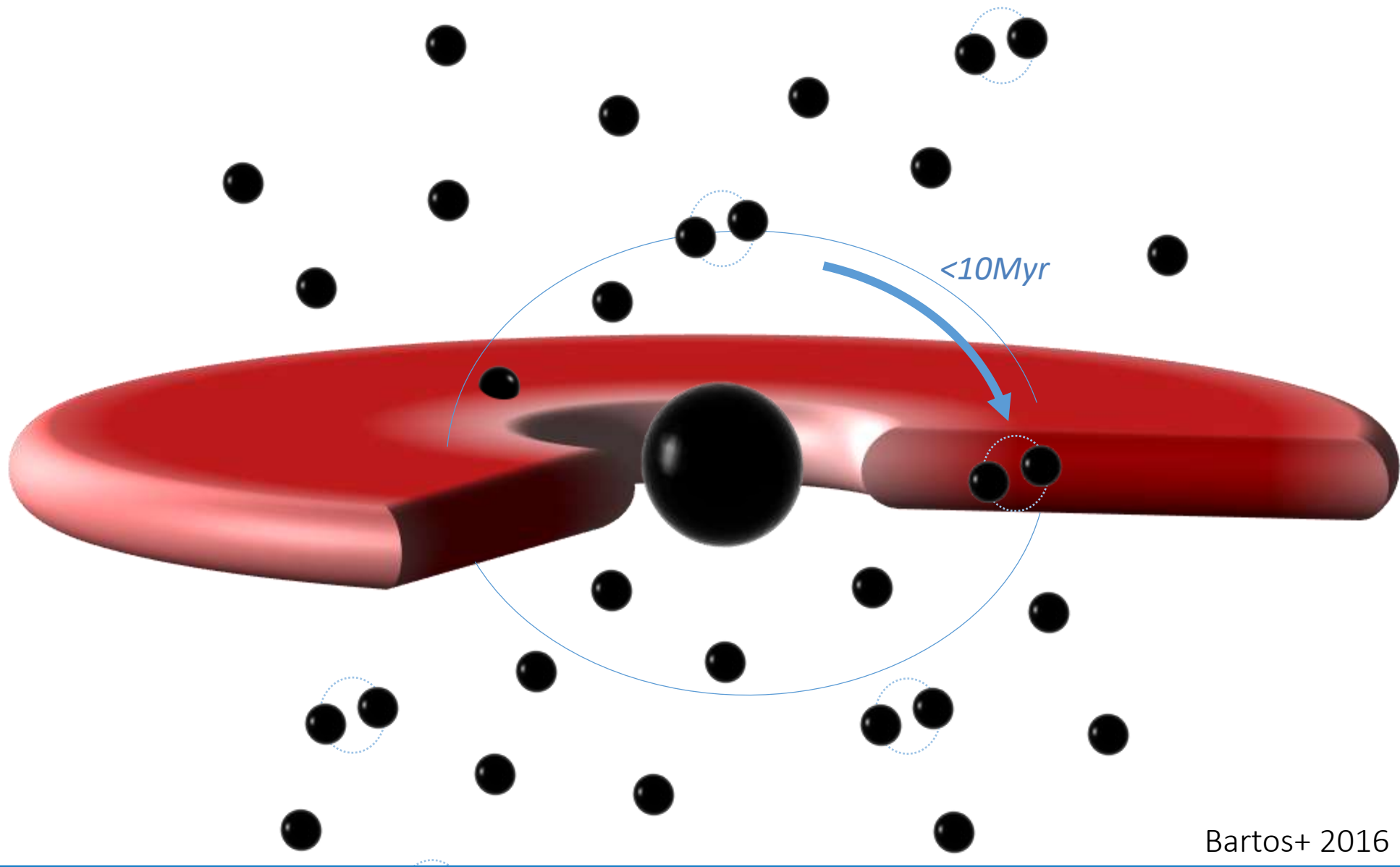
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A fraction of black holes may be in binaries (30%; Pfuhl 2014).



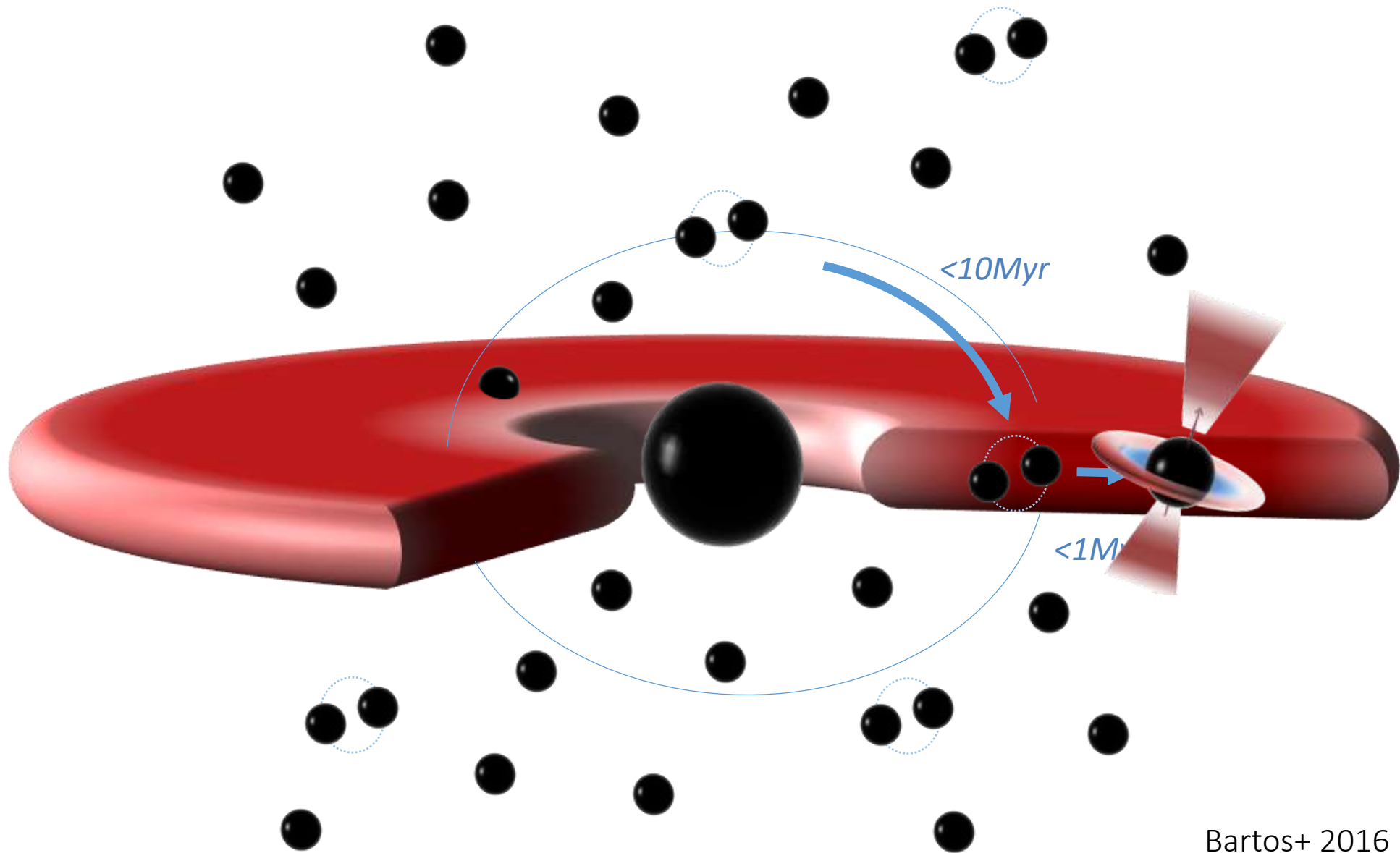
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Some galactic centers accrete large amounts of gas (active galactic nuclei).



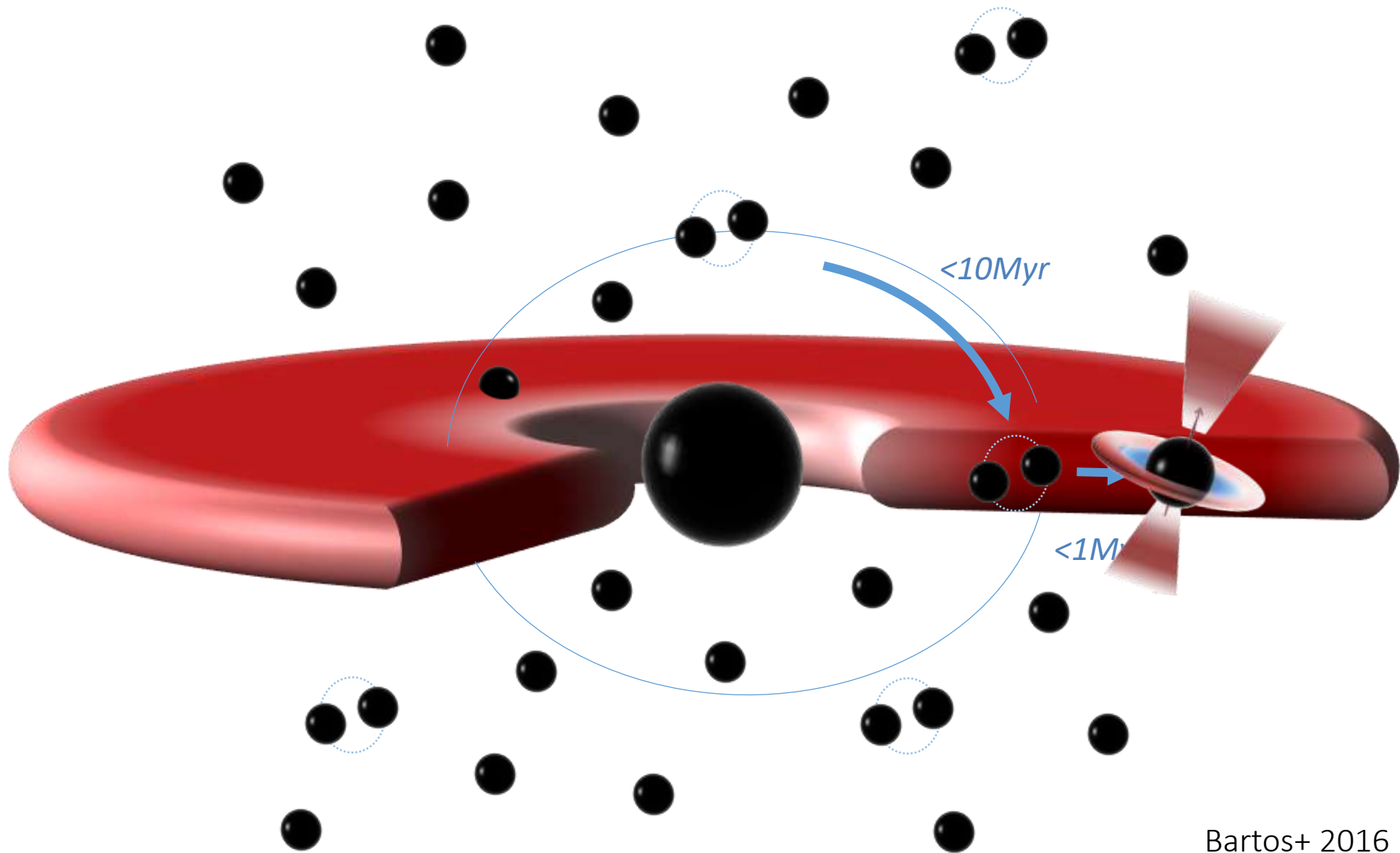
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Binaries migrate into the disk...



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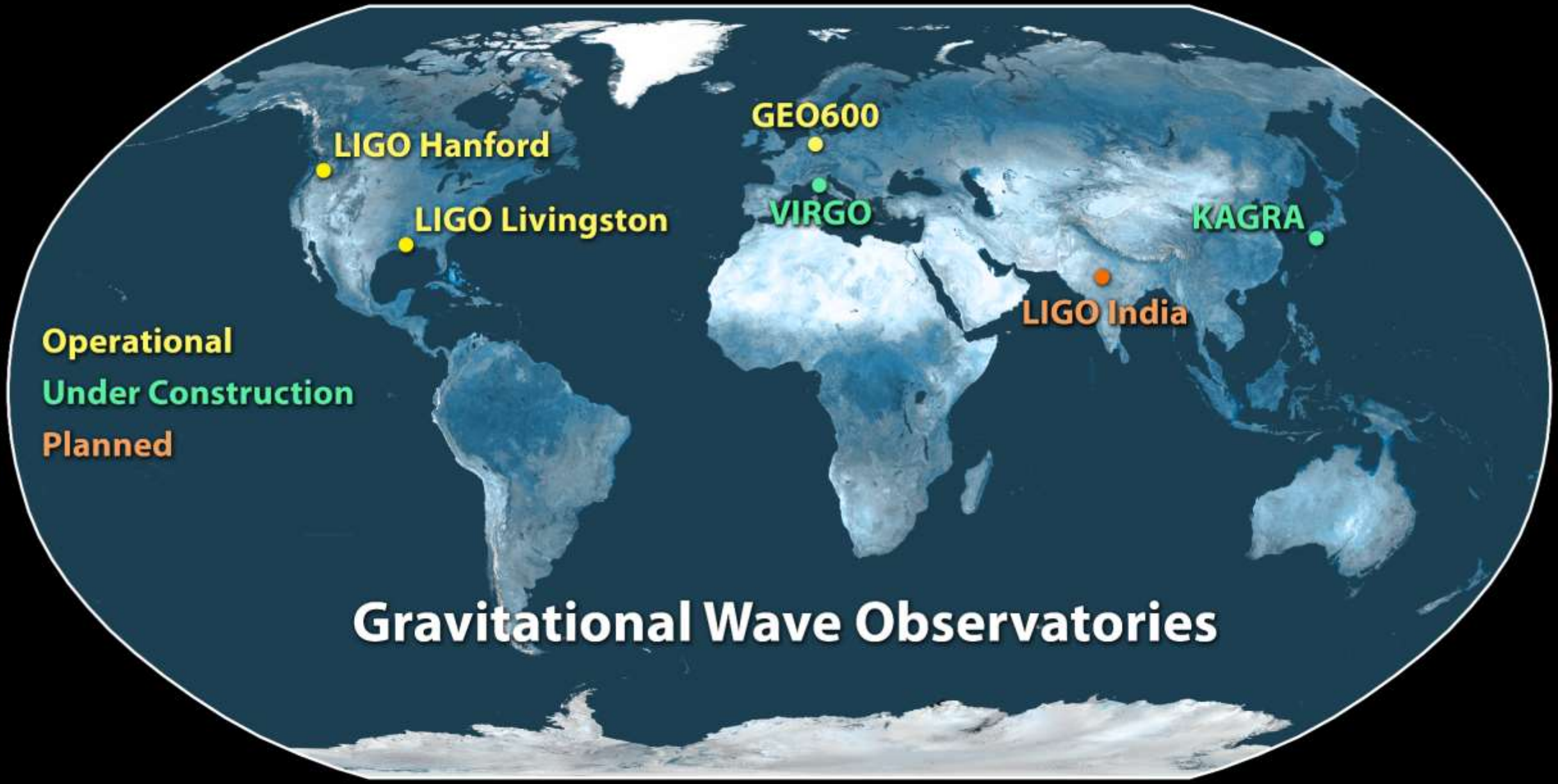
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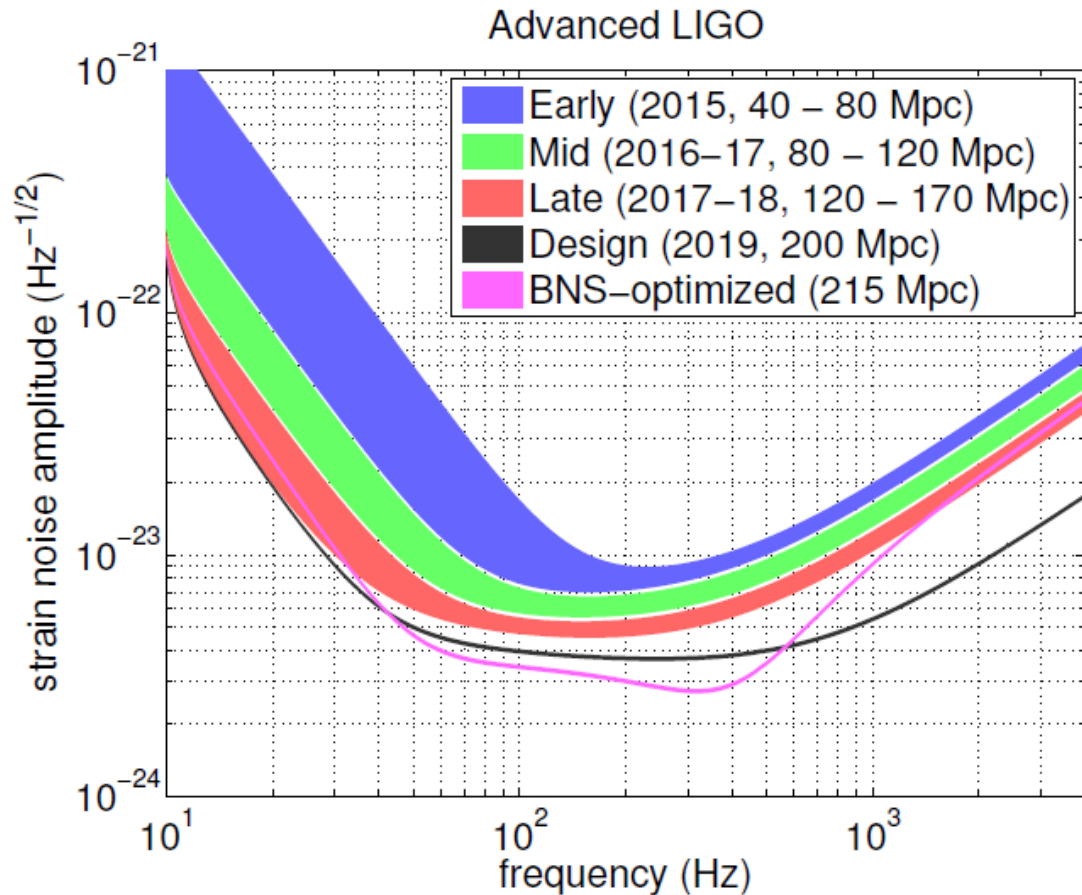
The road ahead.



Operational
Under Construction
Planned

Gravitational Wave Observatories

sensitivity timeline



Aasi+ Living Reviews in Relativity, vol. 19, no. 1 (2016)

Epoch	Estimated Run Duration	BNS Range (Mpc)		Number of BNS Detections
		LIGO	Virgo	
2015	3 months	40 – 80	–	0.0004 – 3
2016–17	6 months	80 – 120	20 – 60	0.006 – 20
2017–18	9 months	120 – 170	60 – 85	0.04 – 100
2019+	(per year)	200	65 – 130	0.2 – 200
2022+ (India)	(per year)	200	130	0.4 – 400

- *Annually improving detectors*
- *Especially at low frequencies*
- *Increasing observation time*
- *More detectors → better localization*

01 → 2.9 binary black hole mergers

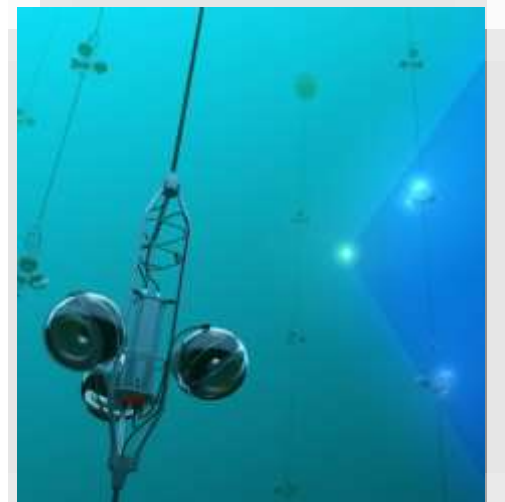
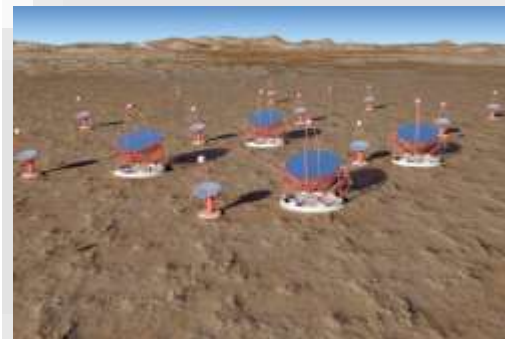
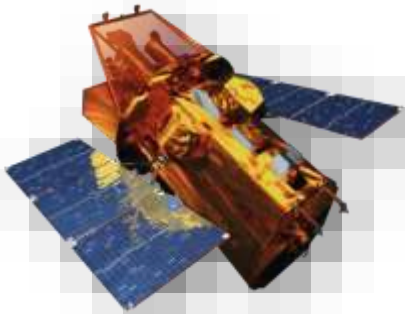
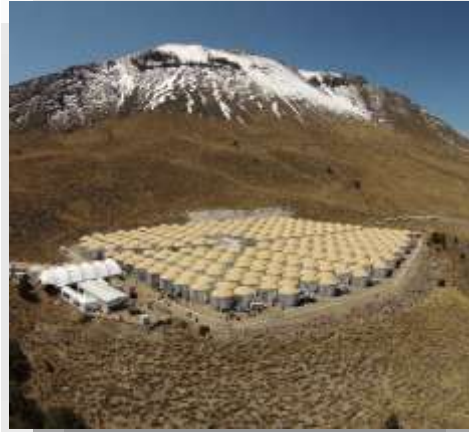
02 → ~ same sensitivity
x 2 longer observation
2 x 2.9 ~ 6 more events

04 → x 3 greater range
x 4 longer observation / year
x (3)³ x 4 x 2 → ~ 1 event/day

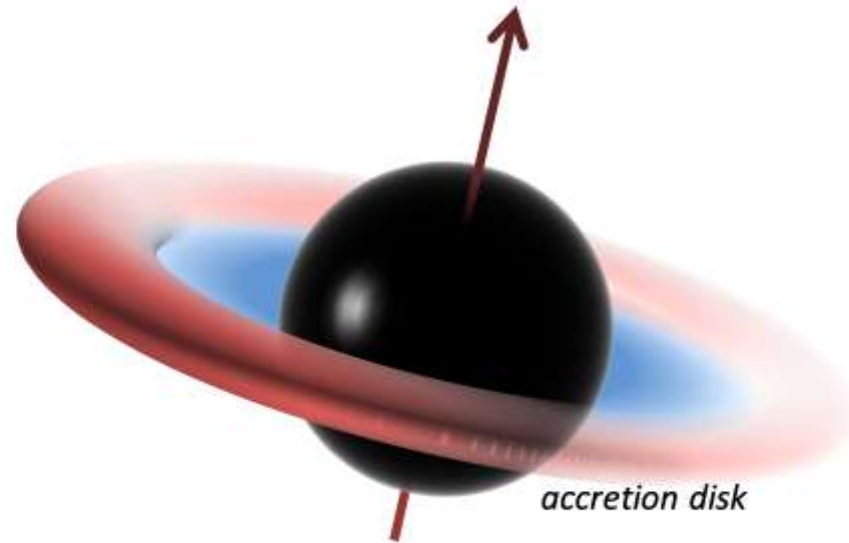
(more detectors will help detect even more)



friends 80+

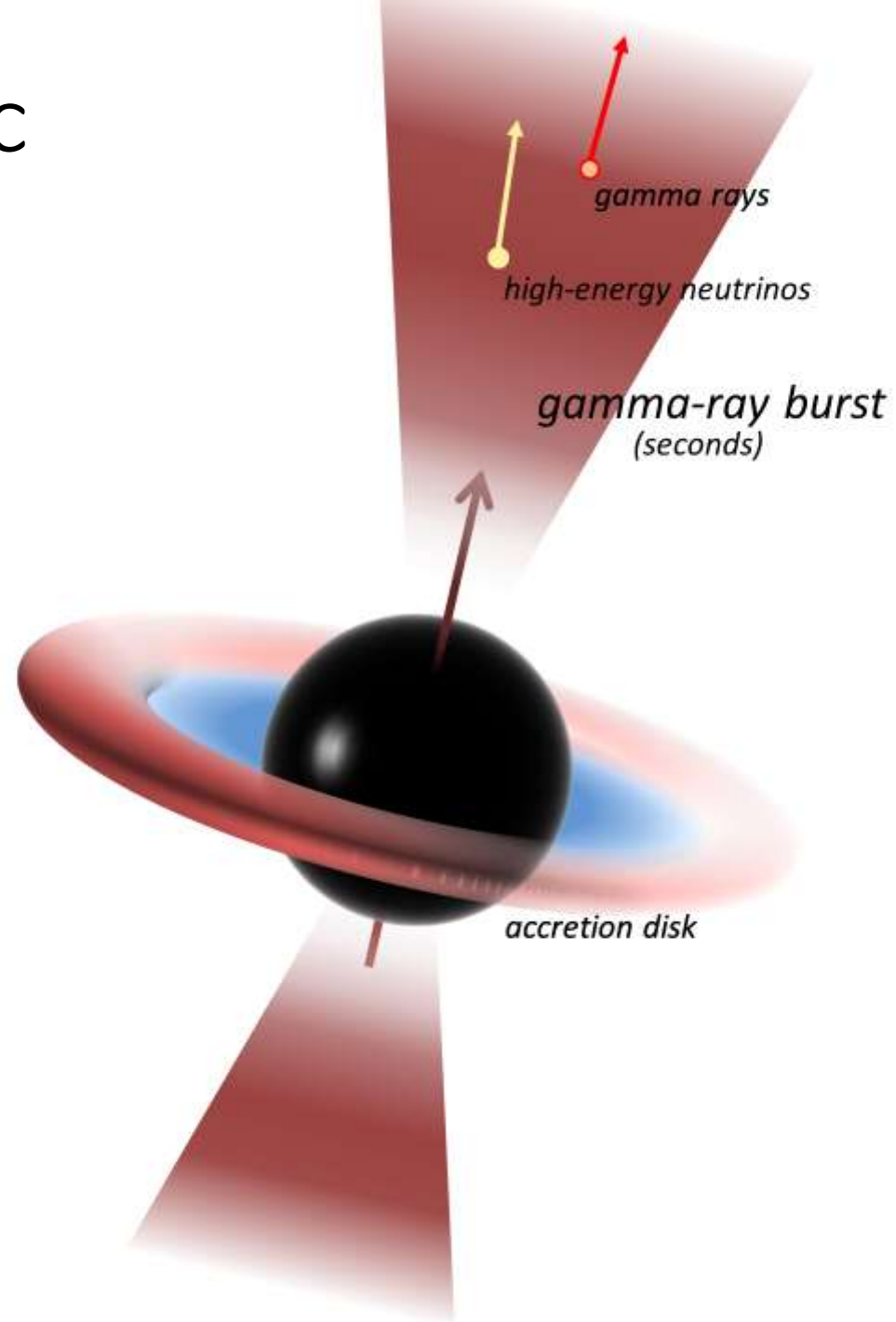


electromagnetic
signature

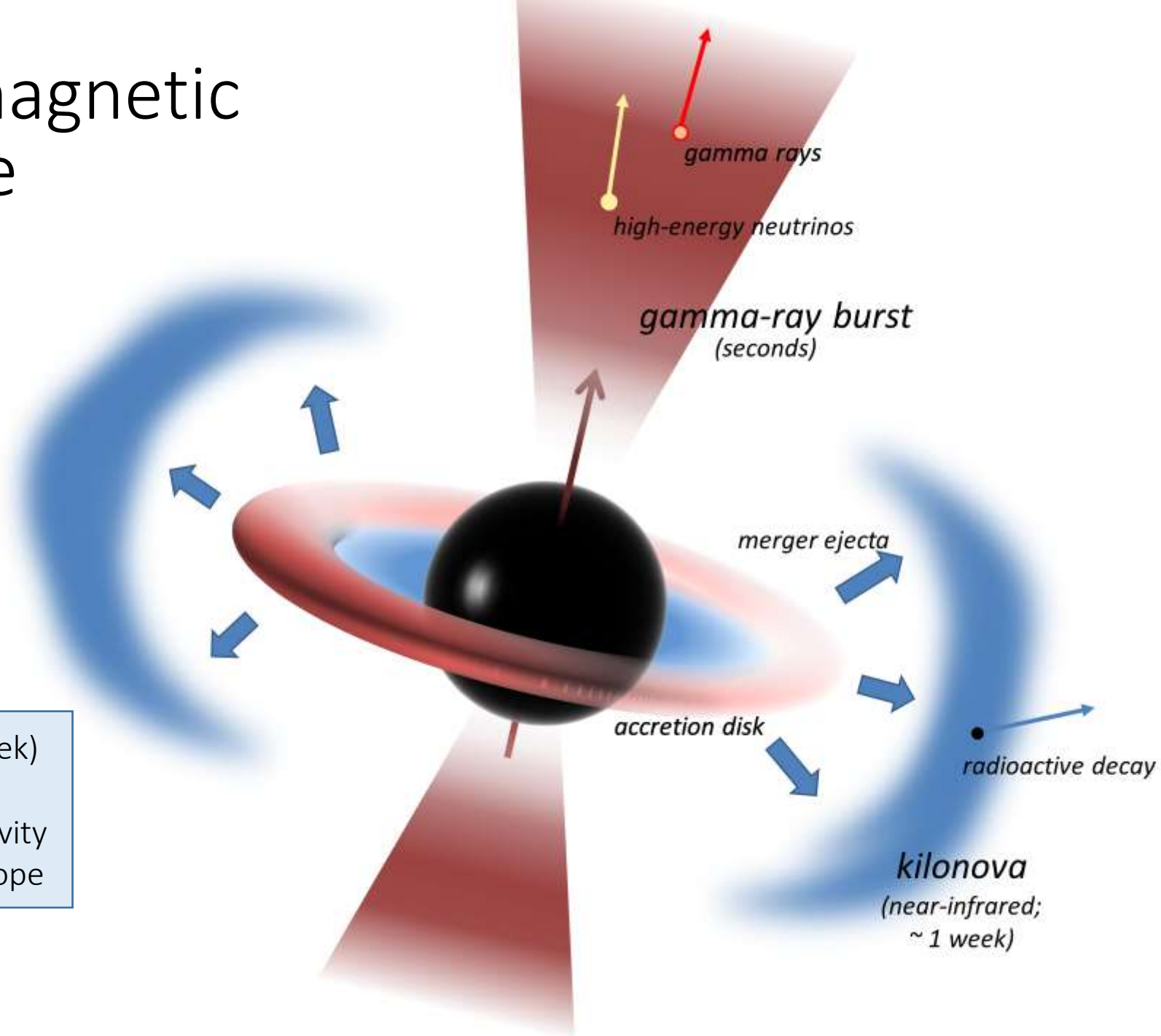


electromagnetic signature

- Beamed
- Good gamma-ray FoV (Fermi GBM: 64%; LAT: 20%; Swift BAT: 16%; XRT: 0%)
- Gamma-ray long term?
- Follow-up difficult (limited localization)

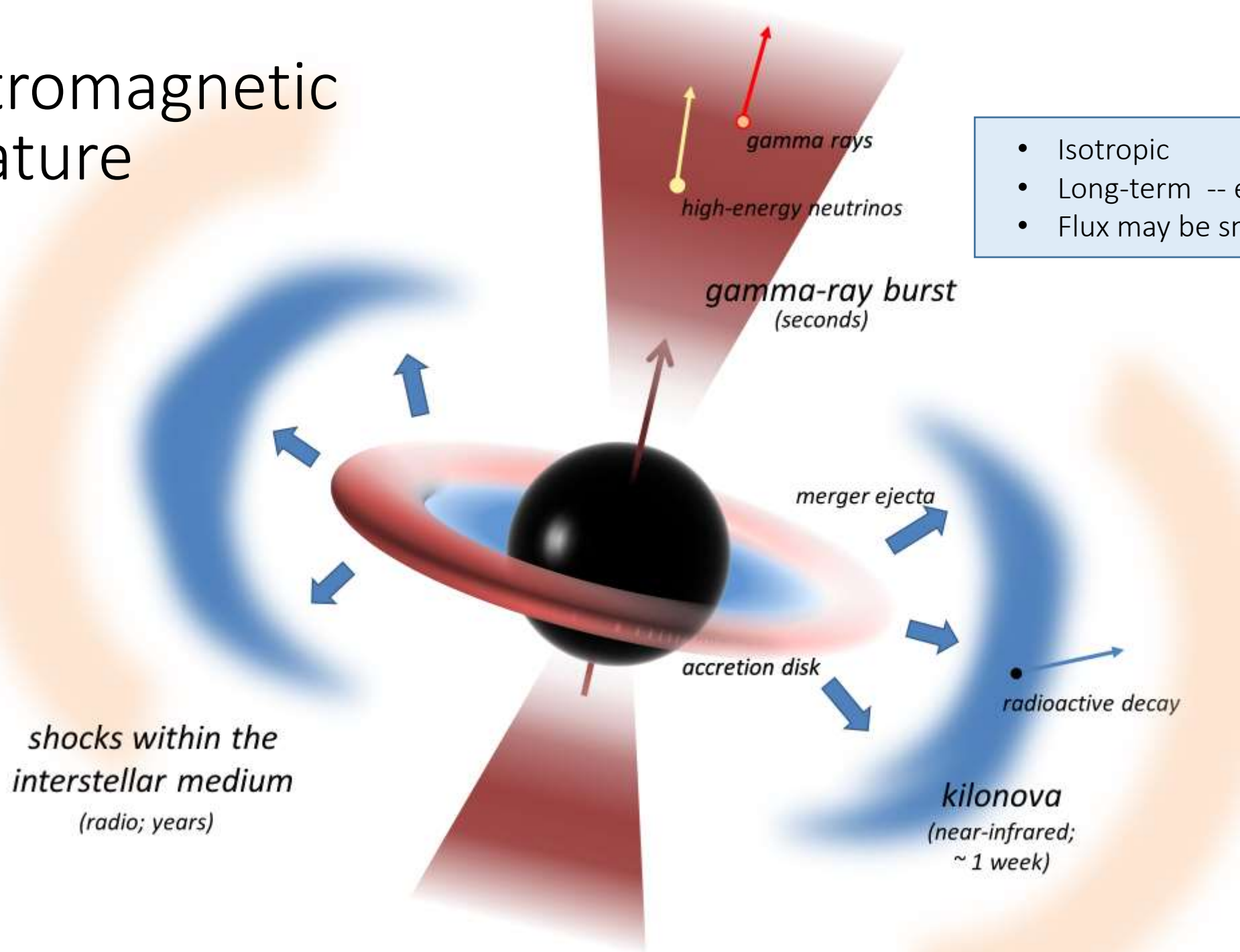


electromagnetic signature



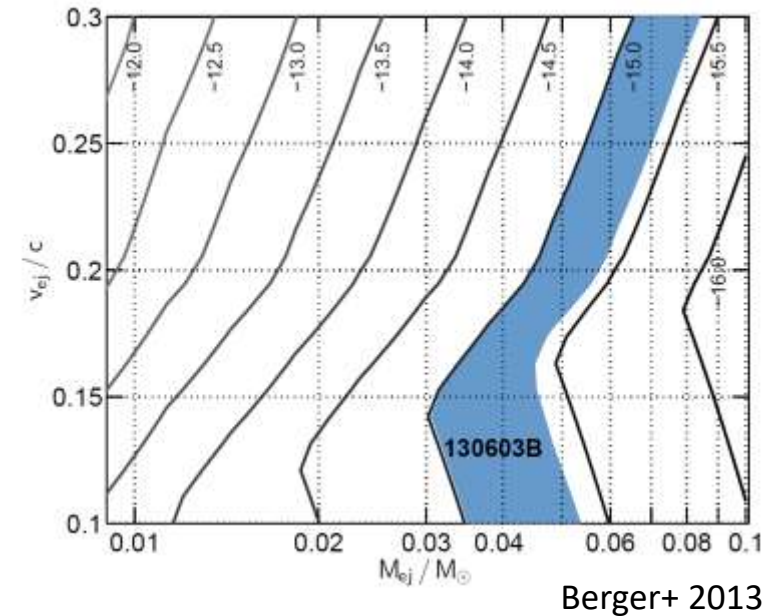
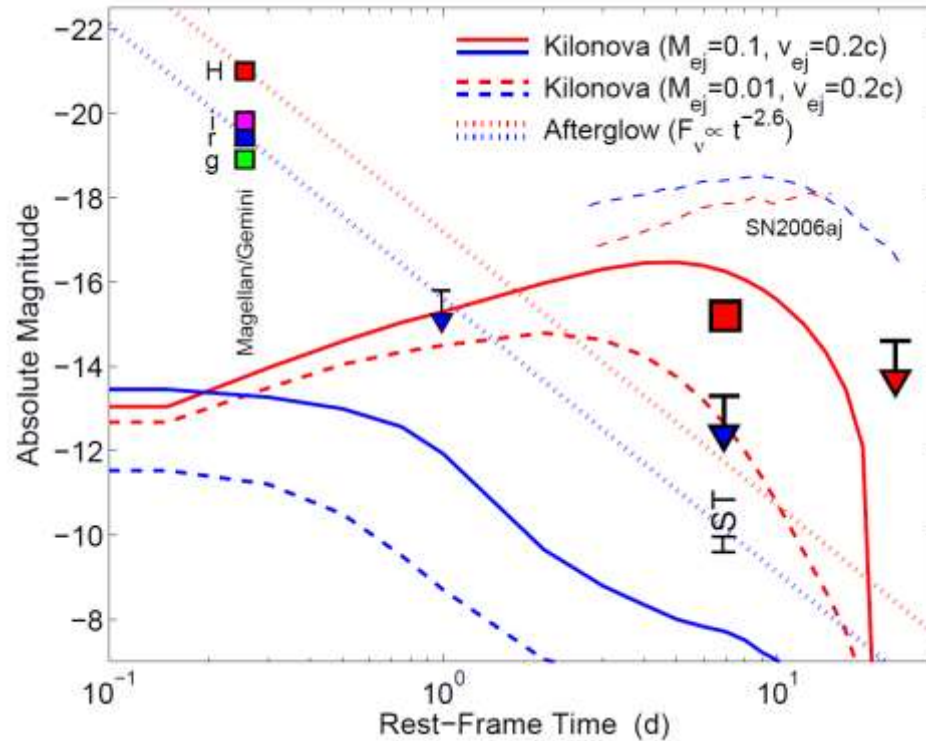
- Good time frame (~week)
- Isotropic
- Limited IR FoV / sensitivity
- → not for every telescope

electromagnetic signature



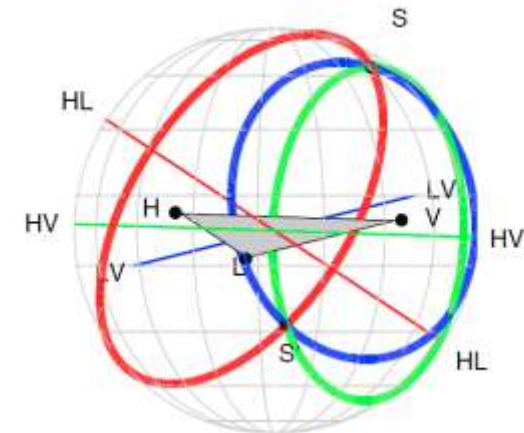
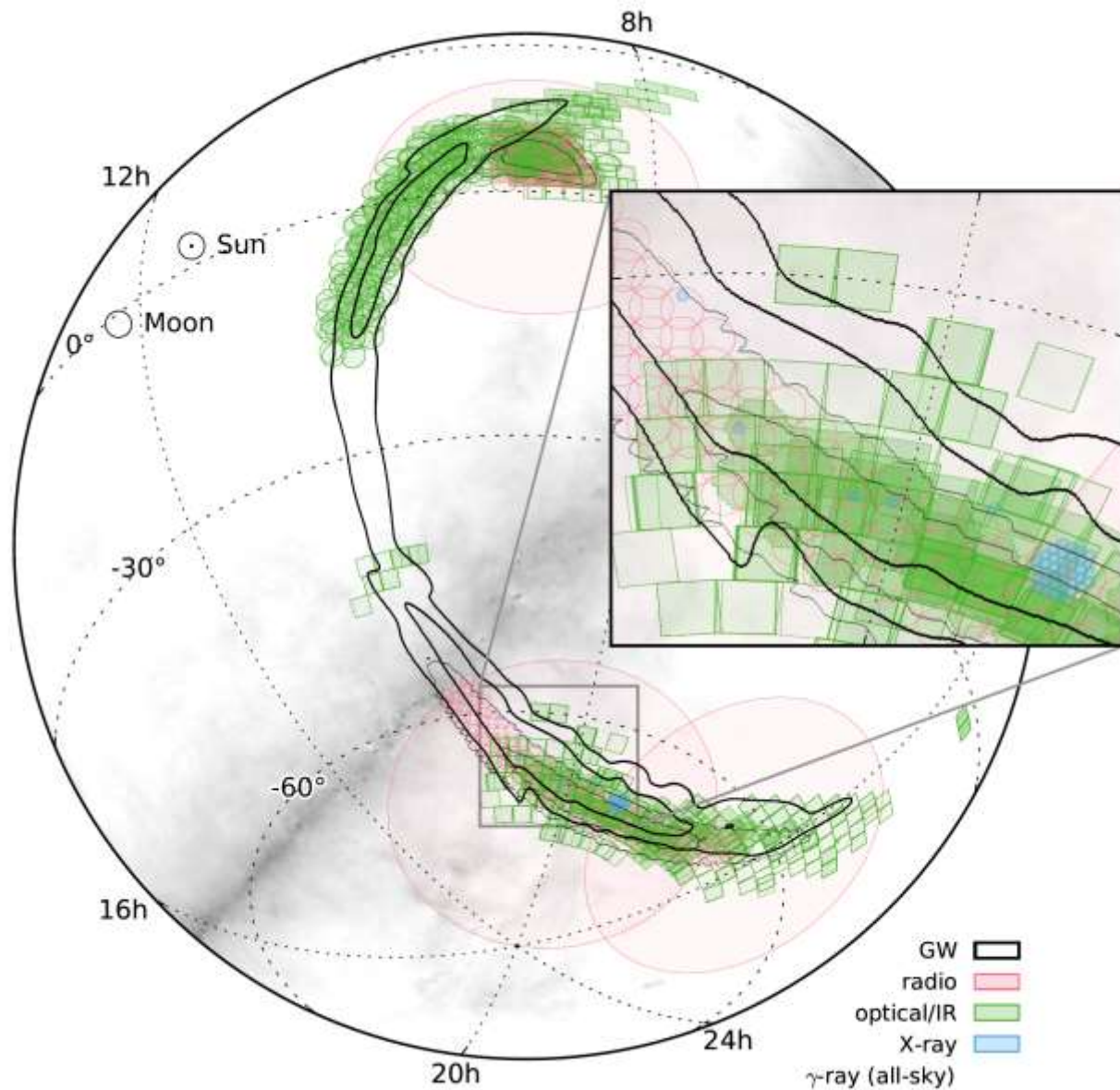
- Isotropic
- Long-term -- easy follow-up
- Flux may be small?

kilonovae



- ✓ Kilonova found coincident with GRB 130603B (Tanvir+ Nature 2013)
- ✓ Estimates on ejected mass/velocity from compact binary merger
- ✓ Consistent with expected emission properties

localization

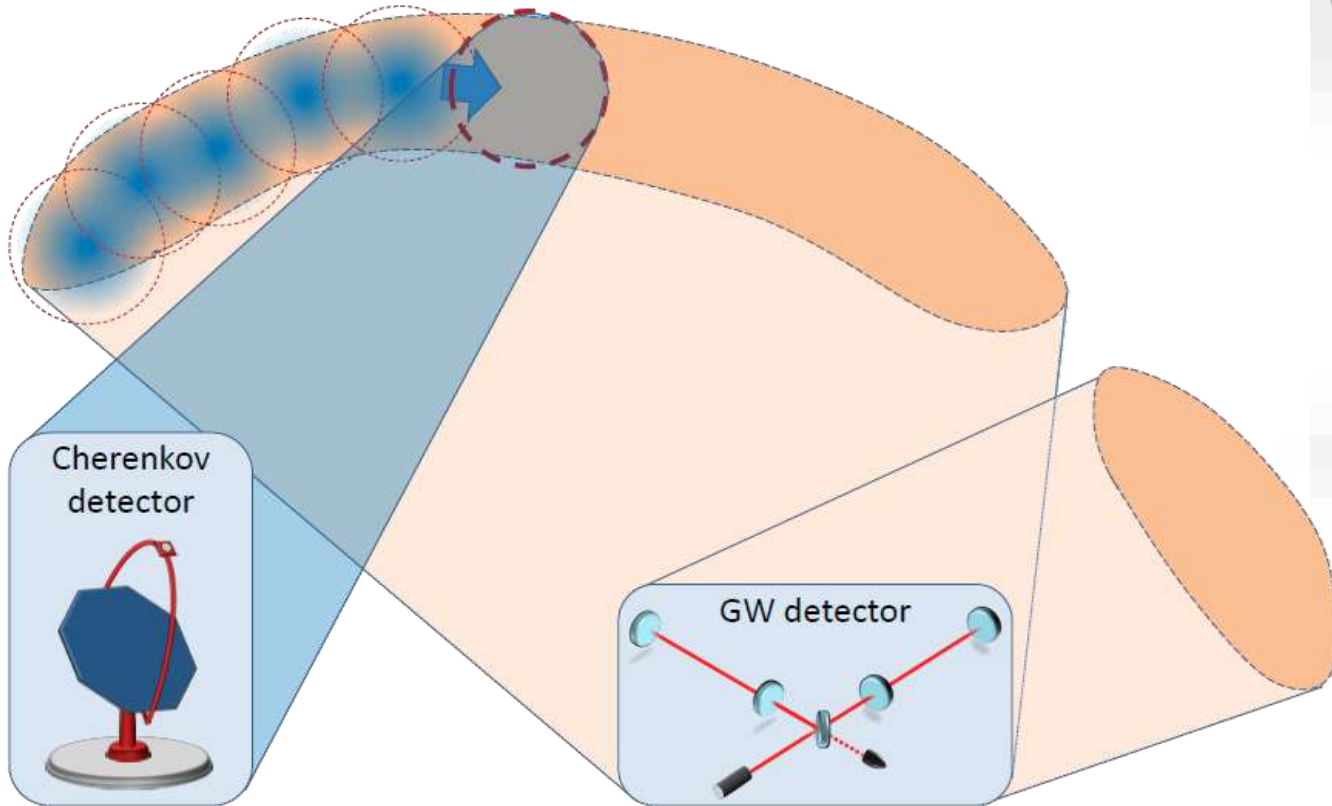
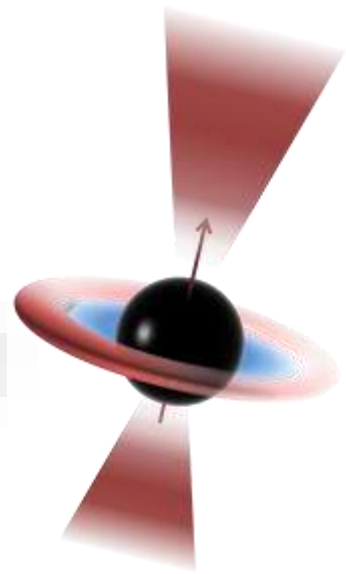
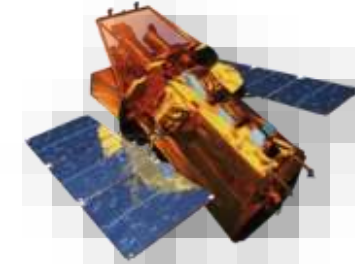


Chatterji+ PRD 2006

- 100-1000 deg²
- Improves with more detectors
- Difficult to cover for many optical observatories
- Significant transient foreground (SNe)
- 1/month FAR LIGO triggers

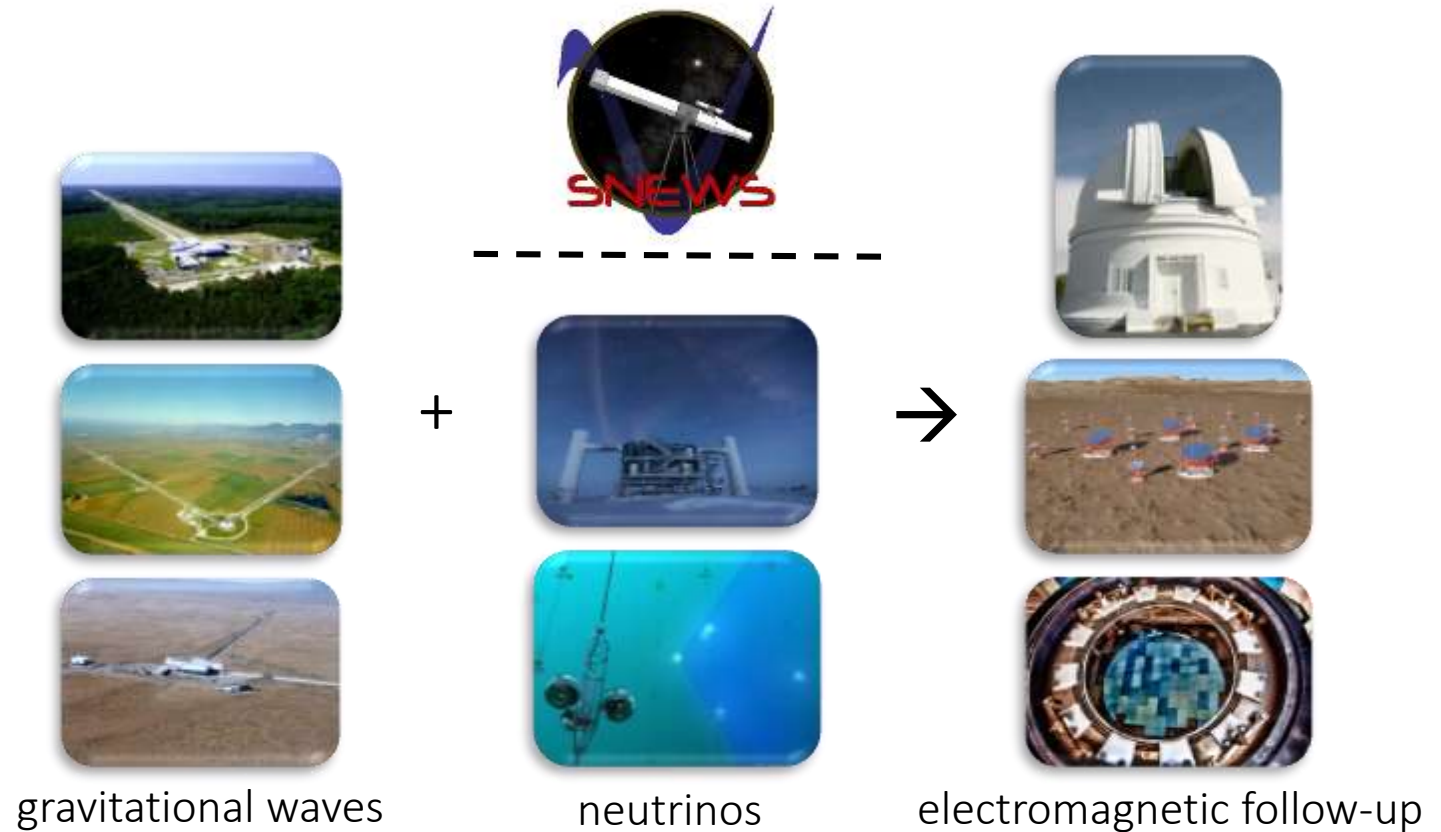
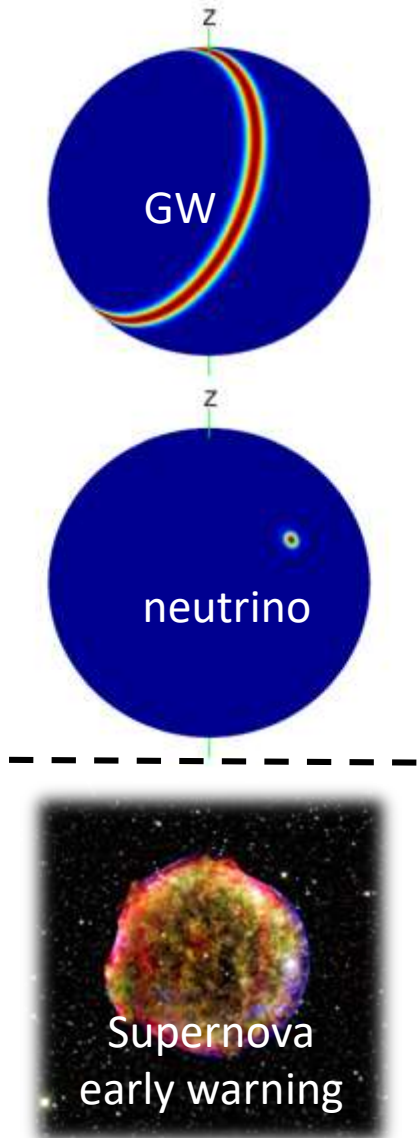
high-energy emission --- early targeting

- Gamma-ray bursts – all-sky observation
- GeV photons --- large FoV telescopes with quick response (CTA from 2018+)
- Beaming is not good.



neutrino early warning & targeting

- Neutrinos --- all-sky observation
- High-energy neutrinos --- sub-degree directional resolution
- MeV neutrinos --- warning on nearby supernova

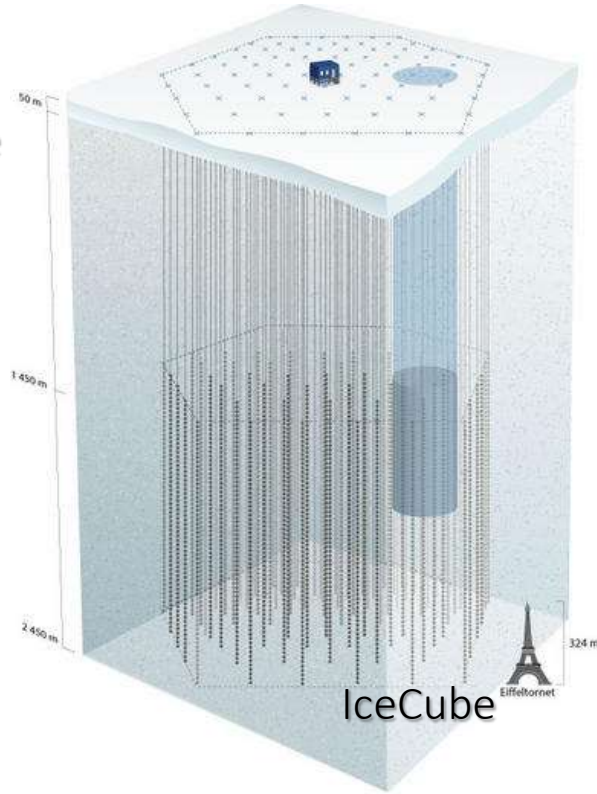


neutrino counterpart for gravitational waves

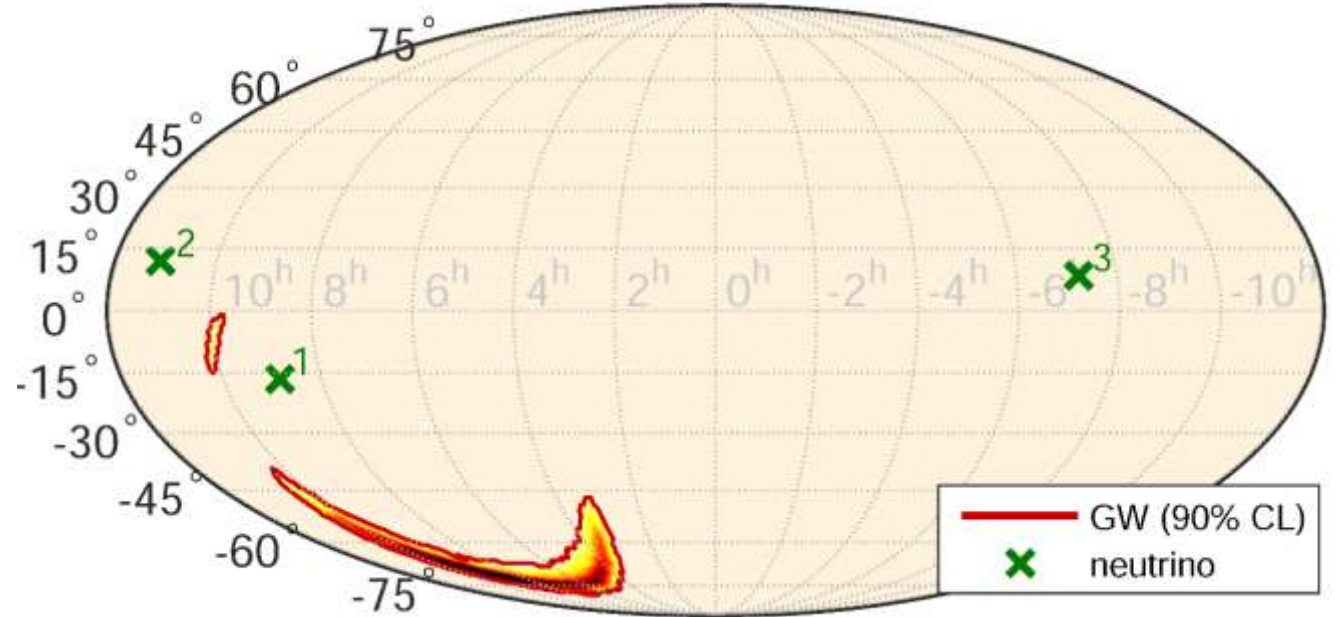
Super-Kamiokande



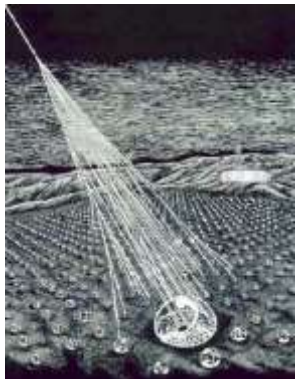
Abe+ ApJL 2016



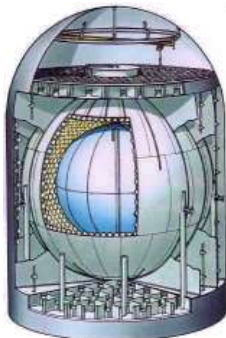
IceCube



Pierre Auger

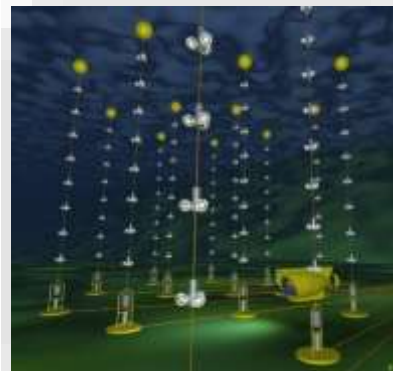


KamLAND



KamLAND 2016 (1606.07155)

ANTARES



#	ΔT [s]	RA [h]	Dec [°]	$\sigma_{\mu}^{\text{rec}}$ [°]	E_{μ}^{rec} [TeV]	fraction
1	+37.2	8.84	-16.6	0.35	175	12.5%
2	+163.2	11.13	12.0	1.95	1.22	26.5%
3	+311.4	-7.23	8.4	0.47	0.33	98.4%

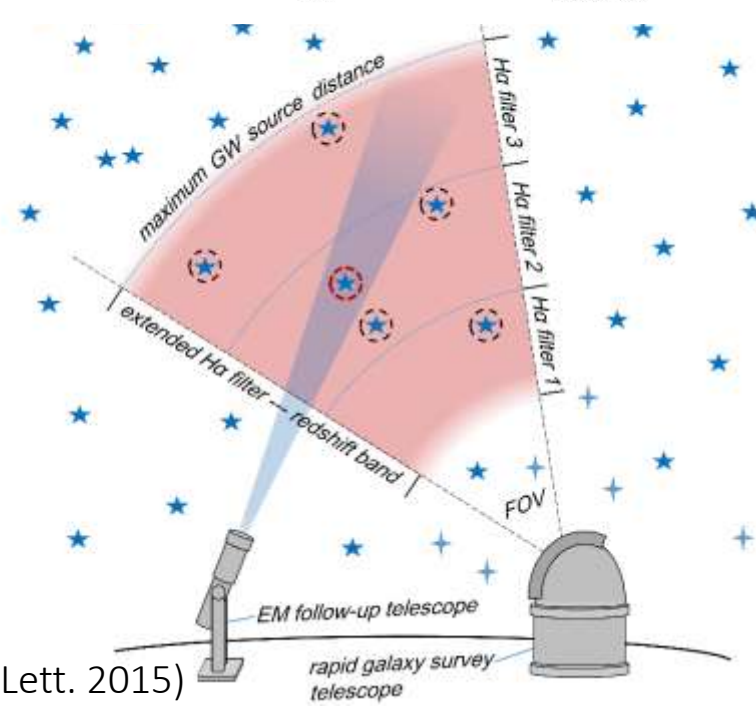
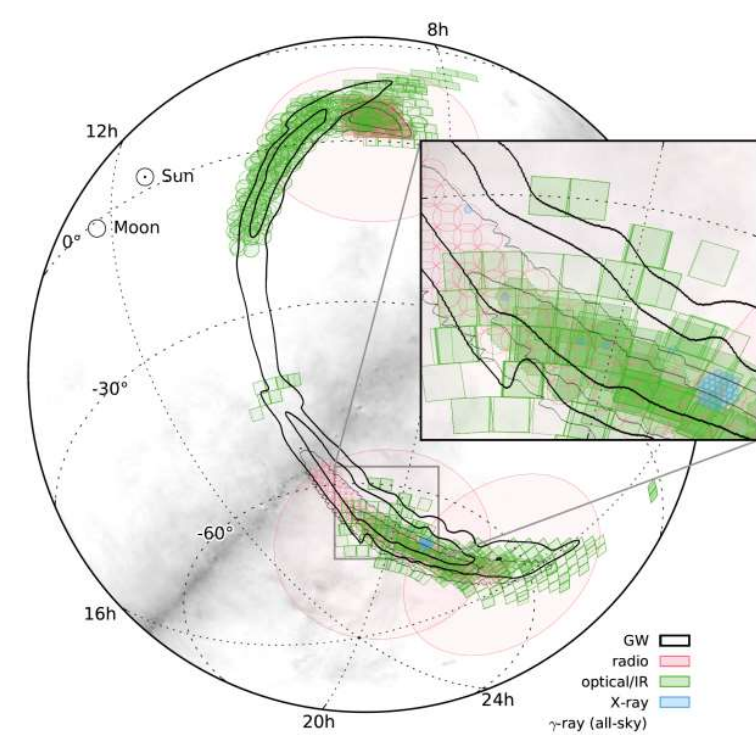
ANTARES+IceCube+LIGO+Virgo PRD 2016 (1602.05411)



galaxy catalogs (*on the fly?*)

- Benefits
 - Target for small FoV telescopes (e.g. Swift-XRT)
 - Decrease false positive rate (abundant transients)
- Current catalogs are not complete
 - GWGC, GLADE, CLU (~40% complete @ 200Mpc)
- Not clear what the good prior is for galaxies (Berger 2014)
- Option: ToO cataloging (Bartos+ 2015)
 - ✓ 1 week
 - ✓ 200-500 Mpc
 - ✓ 100 deg²
 - ✓ Meter class telescopes work.

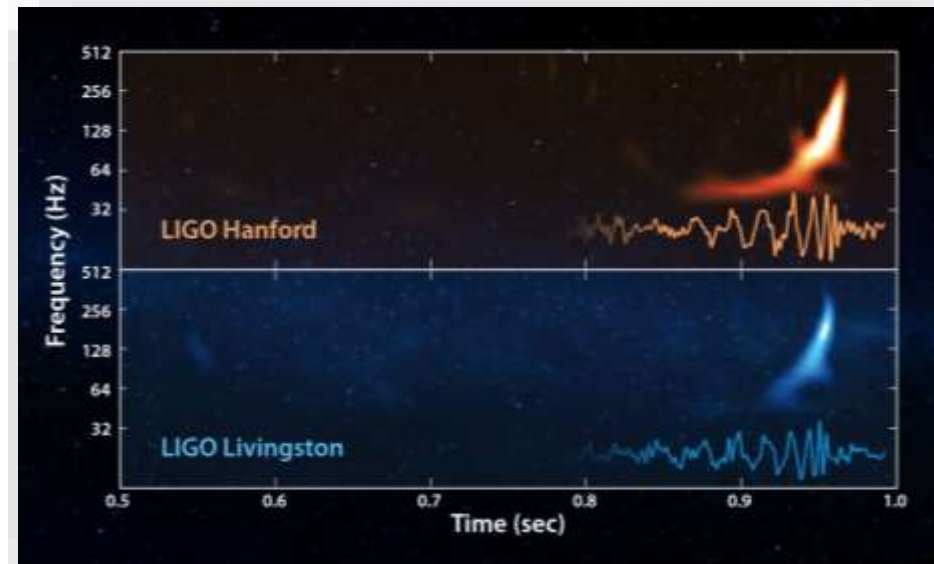
Using galaxies is “essentially” multimessenger by itself.



(Bartos+ ApJ Lett. 2015)

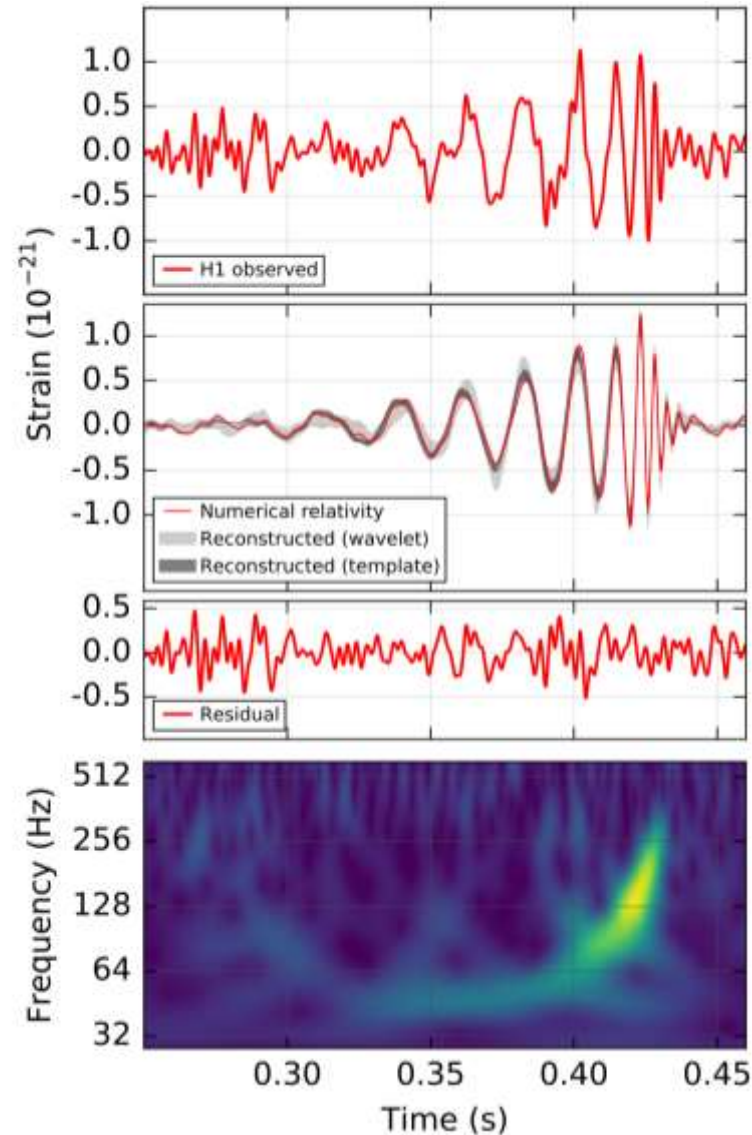
SEARCH FOR GRAVITATIONAL WAVE TRANSIENTS

- Cast a wide net: **Generic** searches
 - minimal assumptions
 - first to find GW150914
 - good at higher significance
- **Template** based searches
 - detailed model assumptions
 - farther horizon distance
- **Multimessenger** searches
 - both generic and templated
 - more source information
 - increased sensitivity
 - farther horizon distance

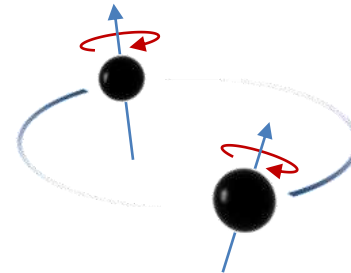


LIGO+Virgo PRL 116, 061102 (2016)

Other way to increase detection rate: improve GW searches



- [Matched filter technique](#) using numerical+analytical waveforms. $O(10^5)$ templates.



15 (+2) parameters
masses (2)
distance (1)
direction (2)
orientation (2)
spin (6)
time (1)
phase (1)
+ *eccentricity* (2)

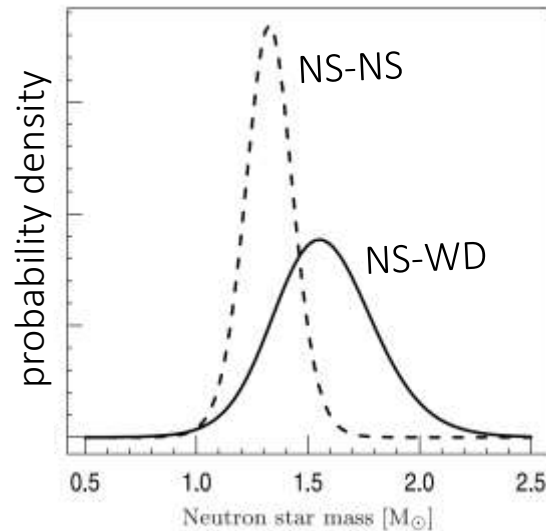
- [Mature search algorithms](#). Development:
 - eccentricity
 - perpendicular spin
 - neutron Star tidal deformation
 - detector characterization

Disruption:
astrophysical
information

neutron star mass distribution



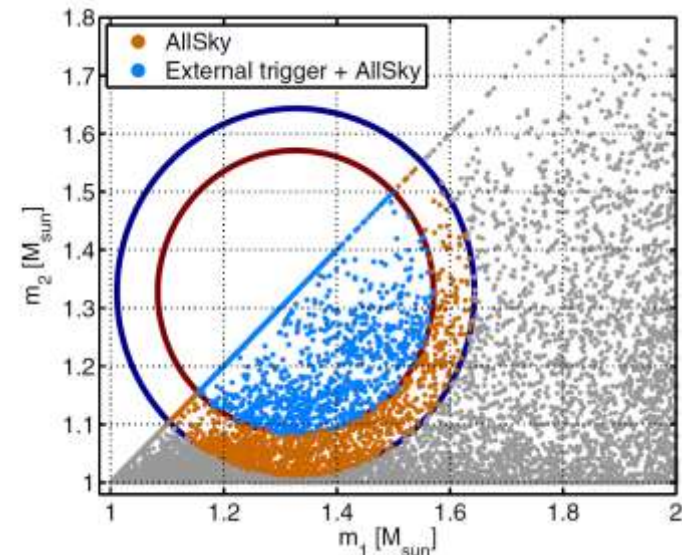
- possible mass range: $\approx 1M_{\odot} - 3M_{\odot}$
- NS-NS observed in very narrow mass range: $M_{\text{NS}} = 1.33 \pm 0.11$



Improvement for optimal size
or weighted template bank

- All-sky: **15%**
- *Multimessenger*: **60%**

Bartos & Marka PRL 2015



Takeaway

Multimessenger-gravitational wave astrophysics:

- ✓ More information is more science.

Gravitational-wave detectors:

- ✓ Rapidly expanding horizon (soon 1 detection/day)
- ✓ Substantial multimessenger effort underway

Road ahead:

- ✓ Initially binary black holes → multimessenger?
- ✓ New, large-scale observatories (LSST, CTA, JWST, SKA, ...)
- ✓ Localization / host galaxy catalogs
- ✓ Astrophysical information → GW searches

