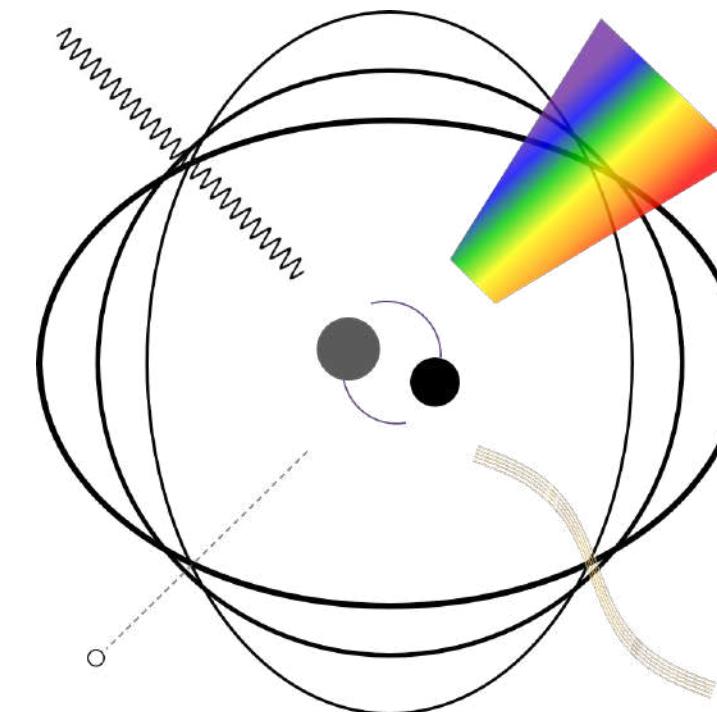
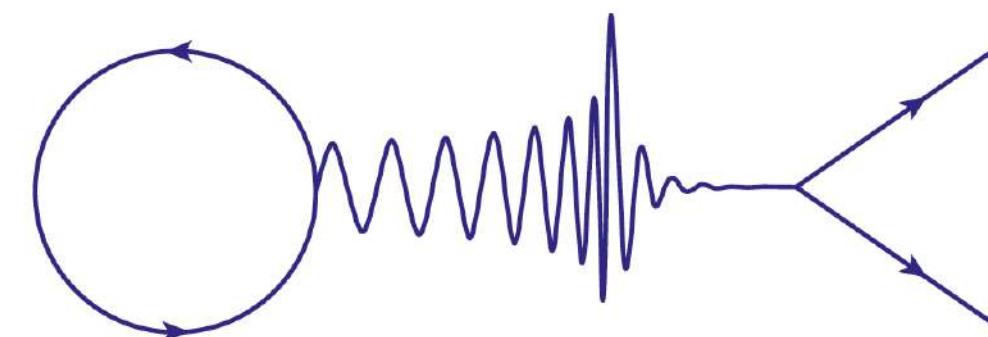
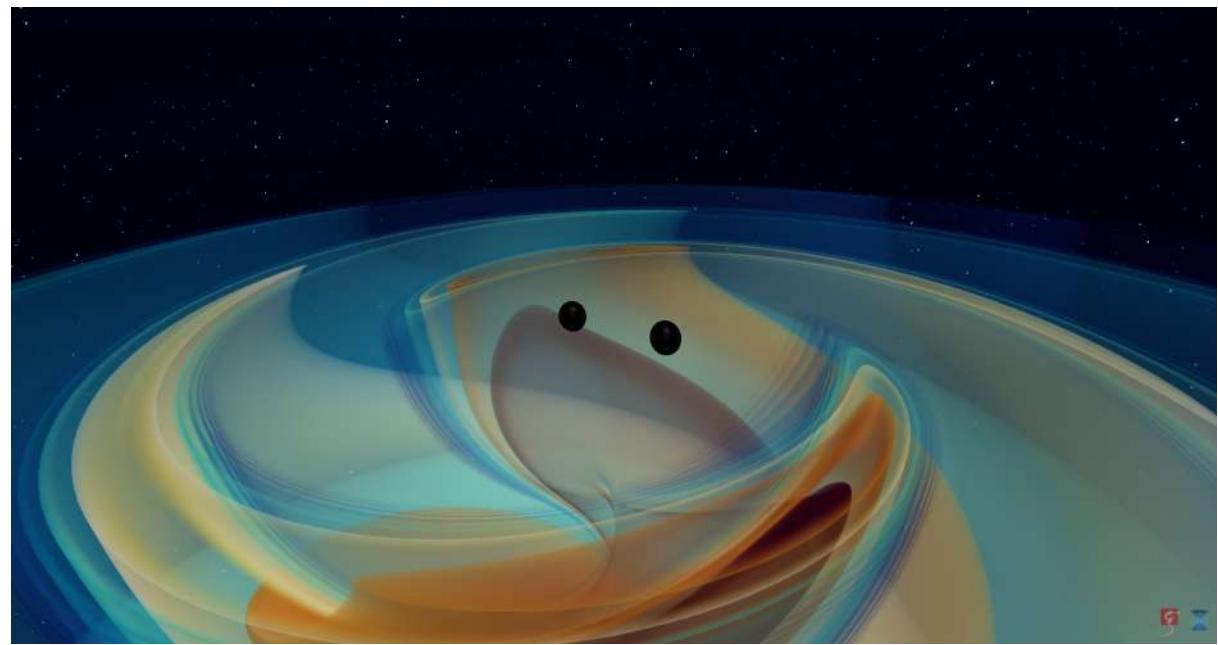
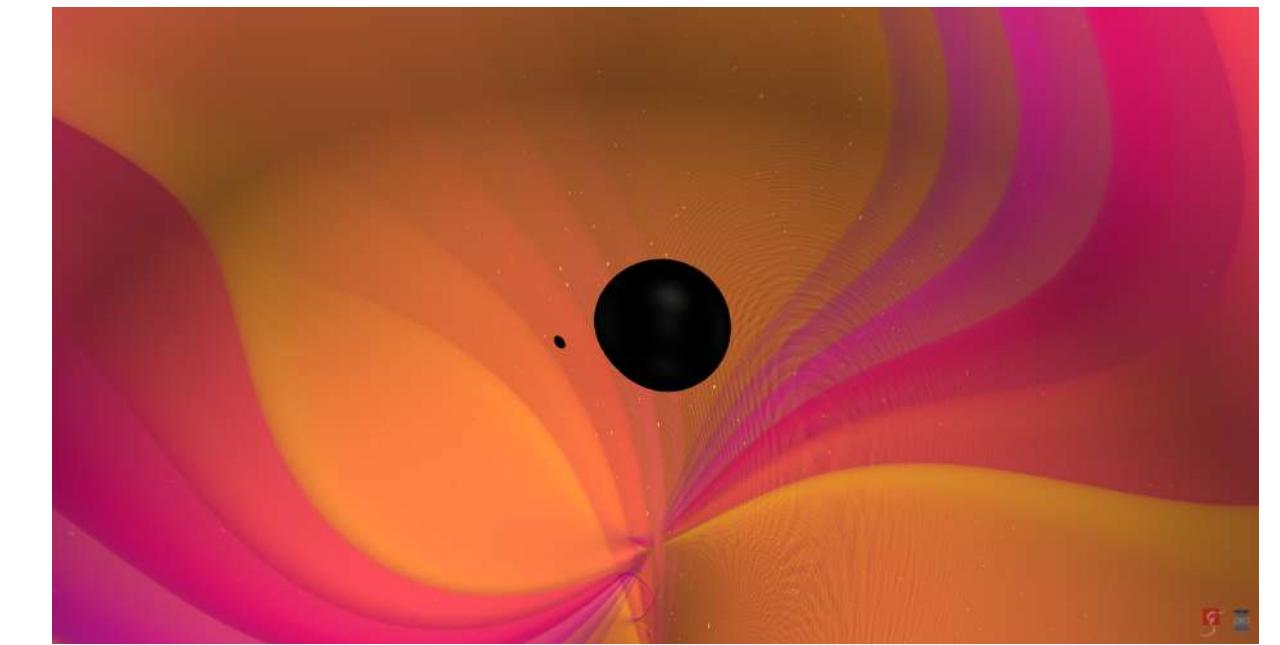


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Status & challenges of theoretical & experimental gravitational-wave physics

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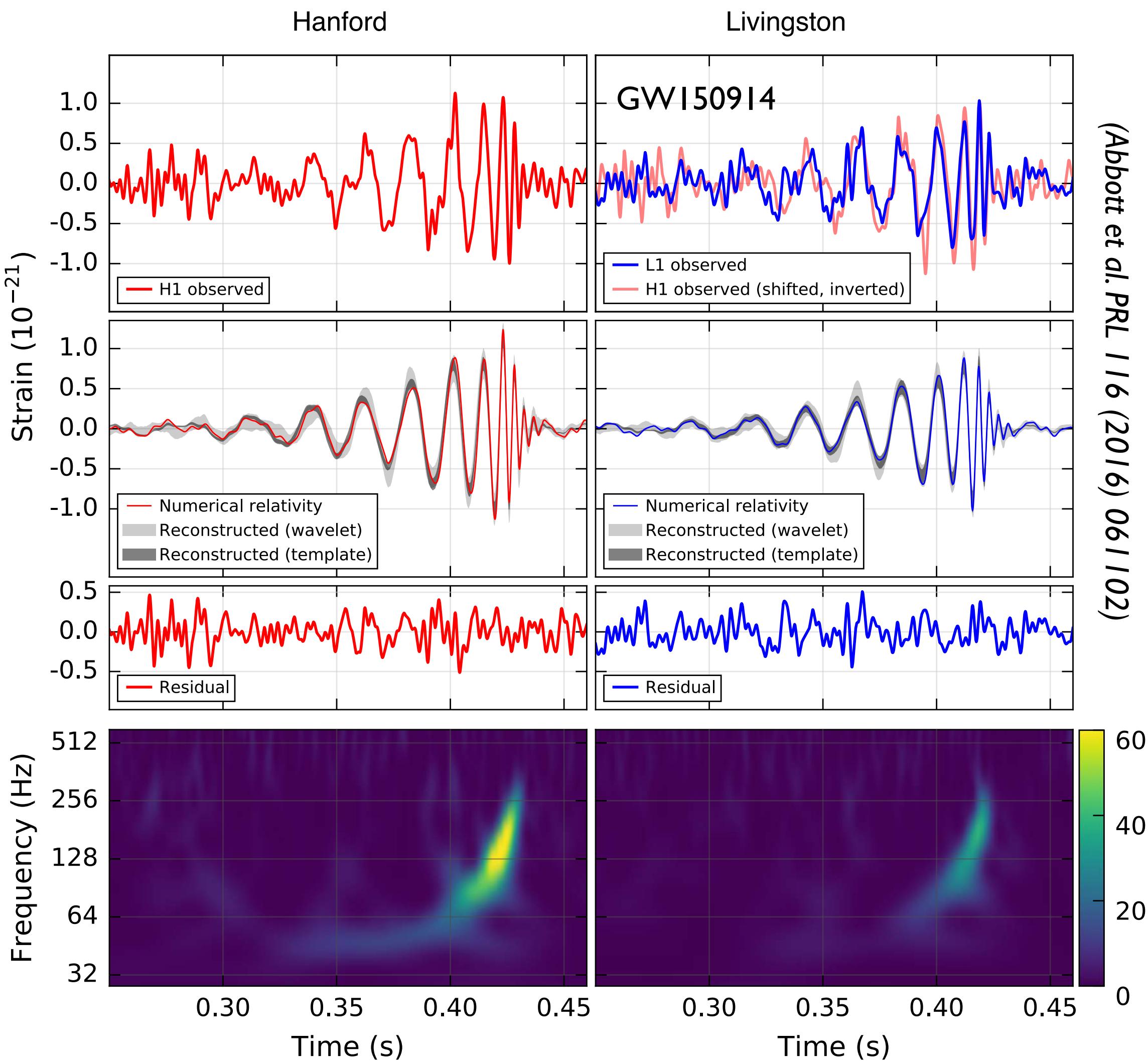




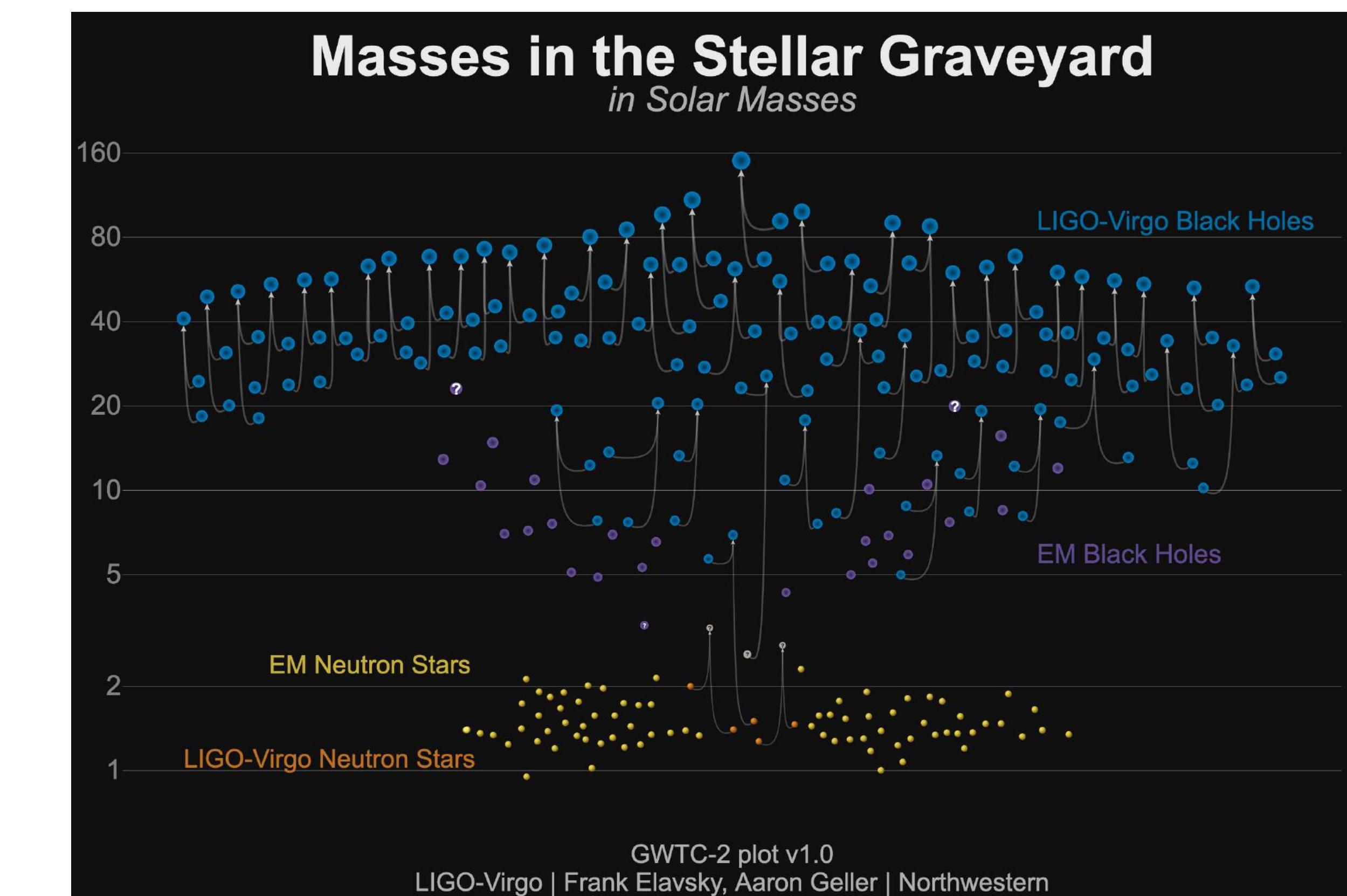
Gravitational Waves Ushered in New Era of Astrophysics



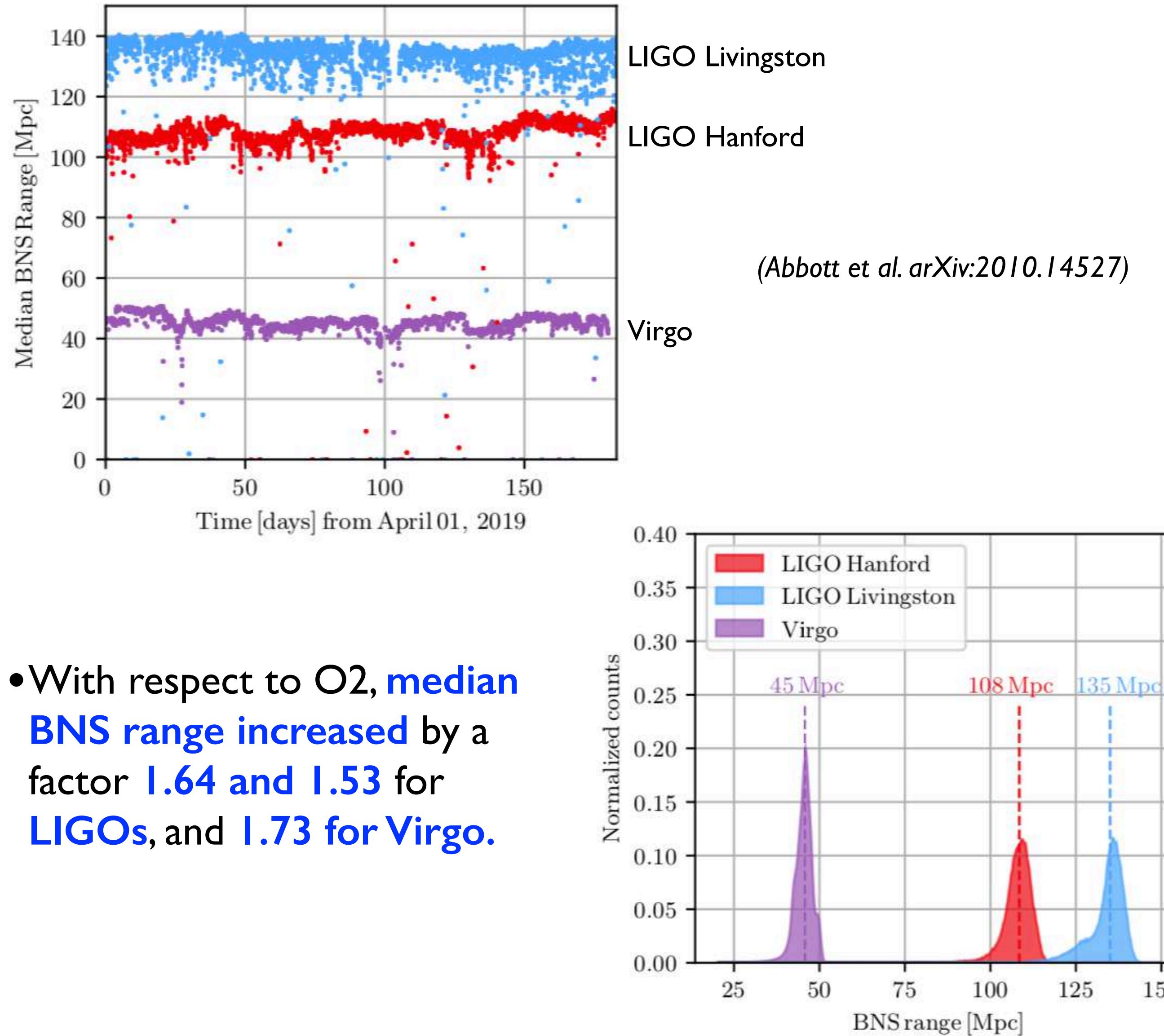
- Discovery of **GW** from a binary black-hole merger by LIGO



- Since **GW150914** was observed, **47 more binary black holes (BBH)** and **two binary neutron stars (BNS)** discovered by LIGO/Virgo.

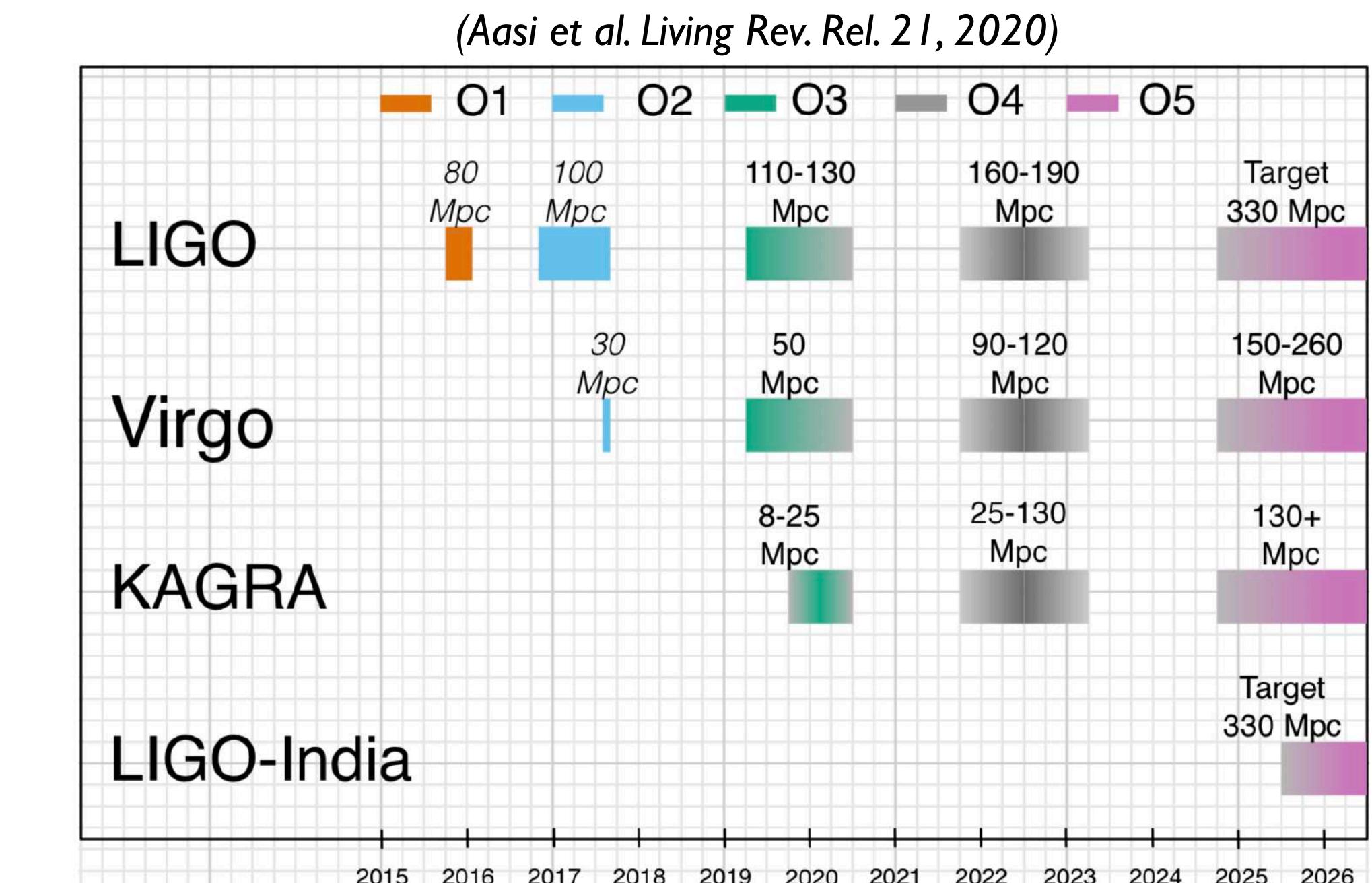
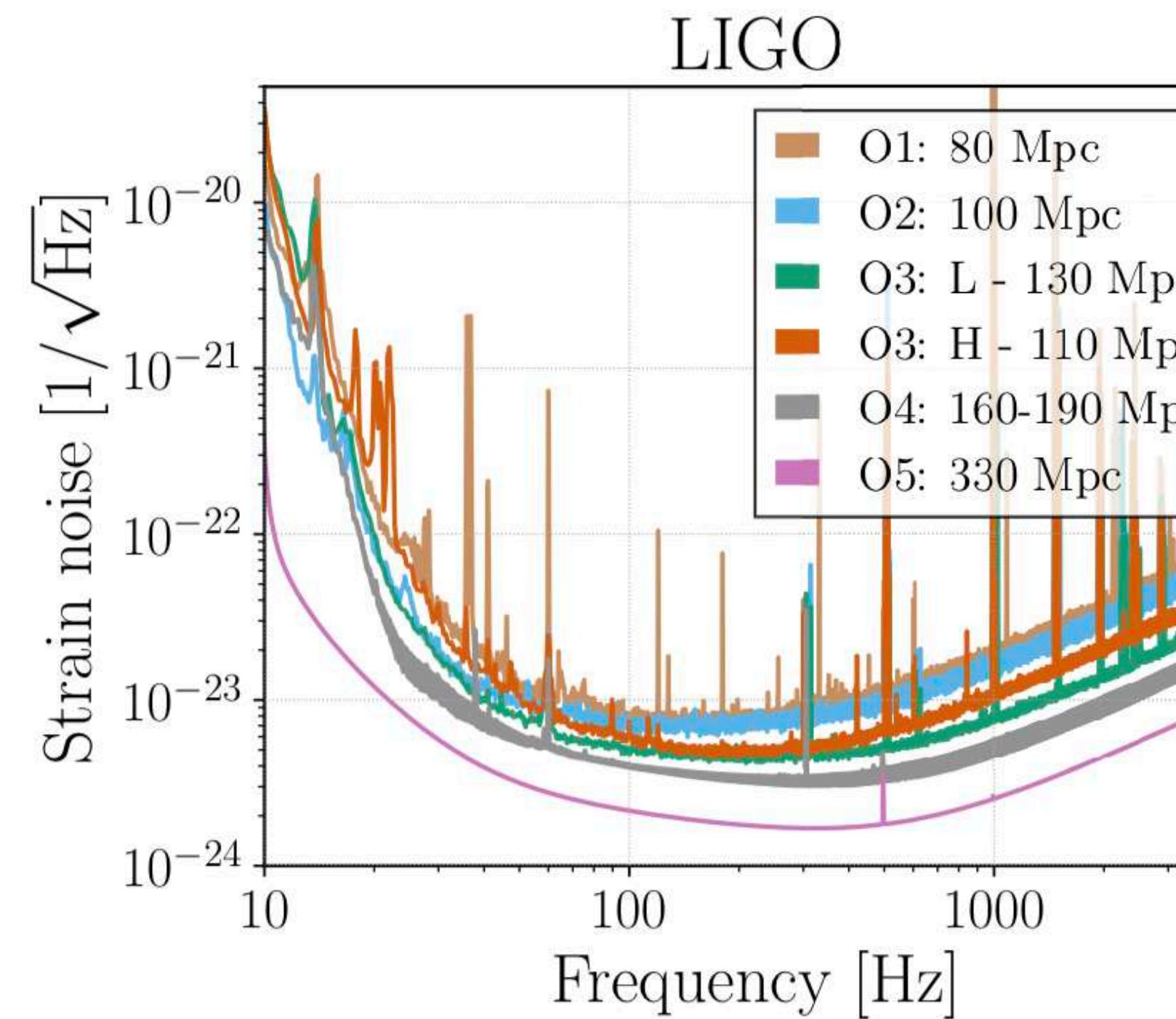


On the Third-Observing (O3) run of LIGOs and Virgo



- With respect to O2, median BNS range increased by a factor 1.64 and 1.53 for LIGOs, and 1.73 for Virgo.

Gravitational-Wave Landscape until ~2030



- From **several tens to hundreds** of binary detections per year.

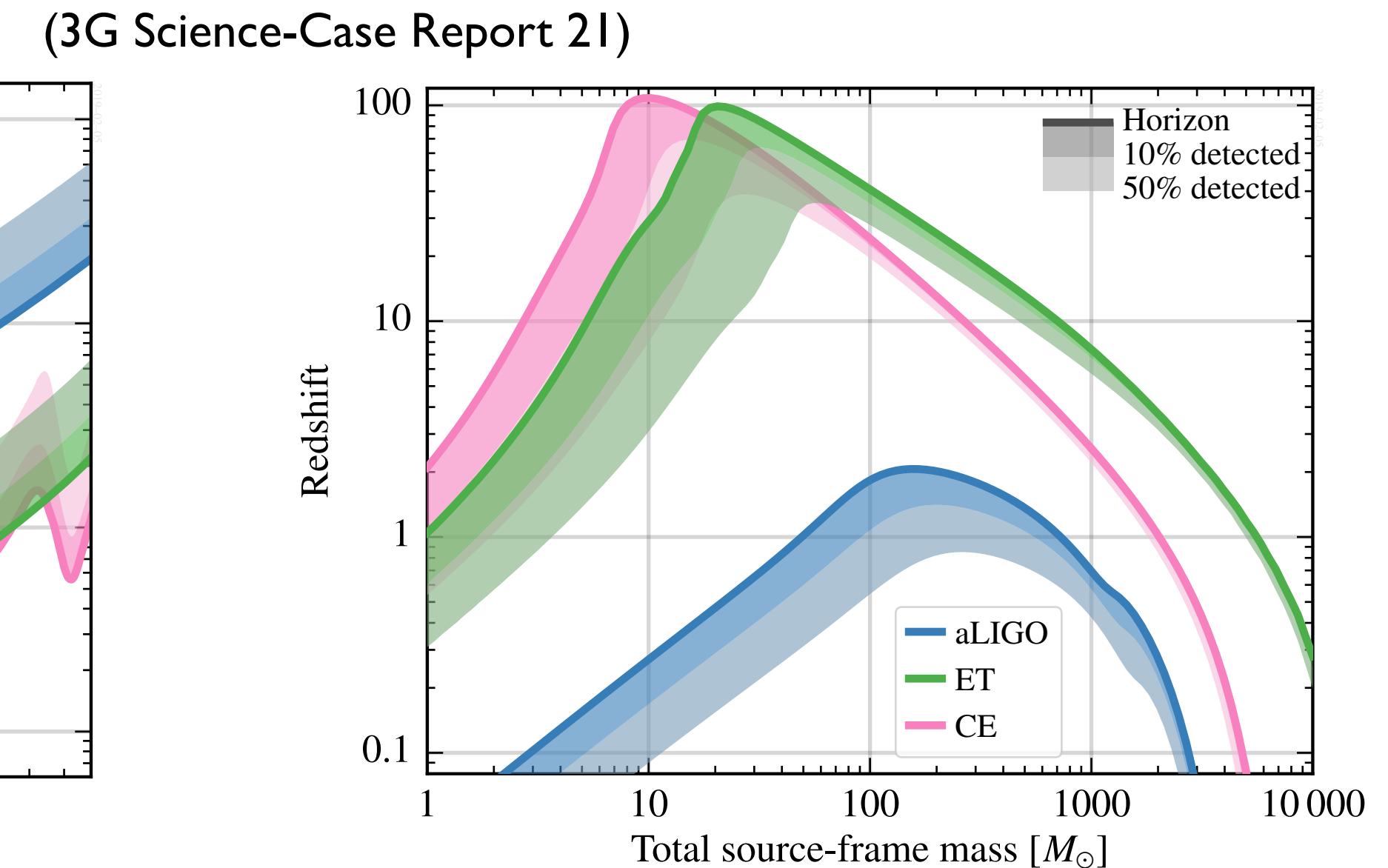
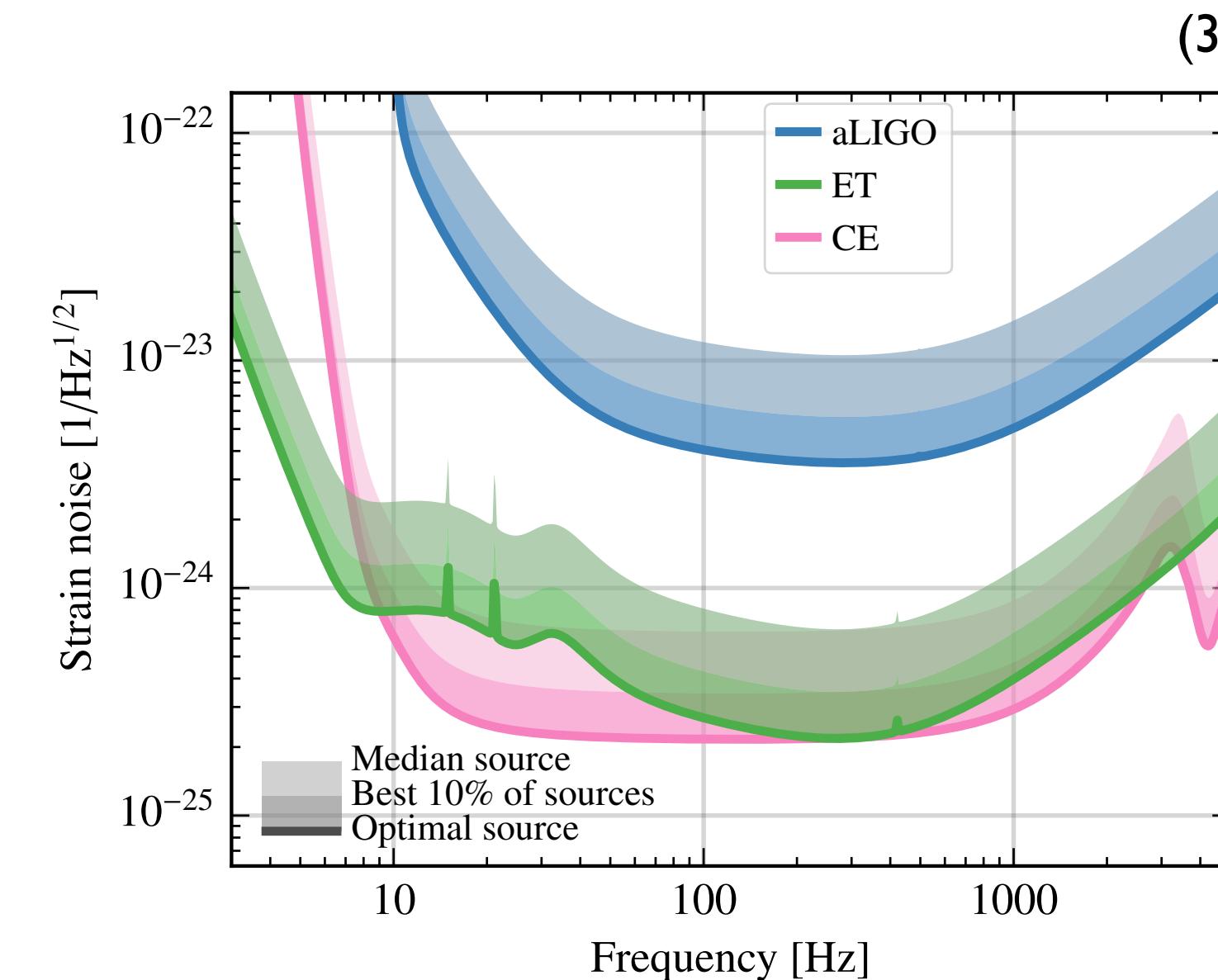
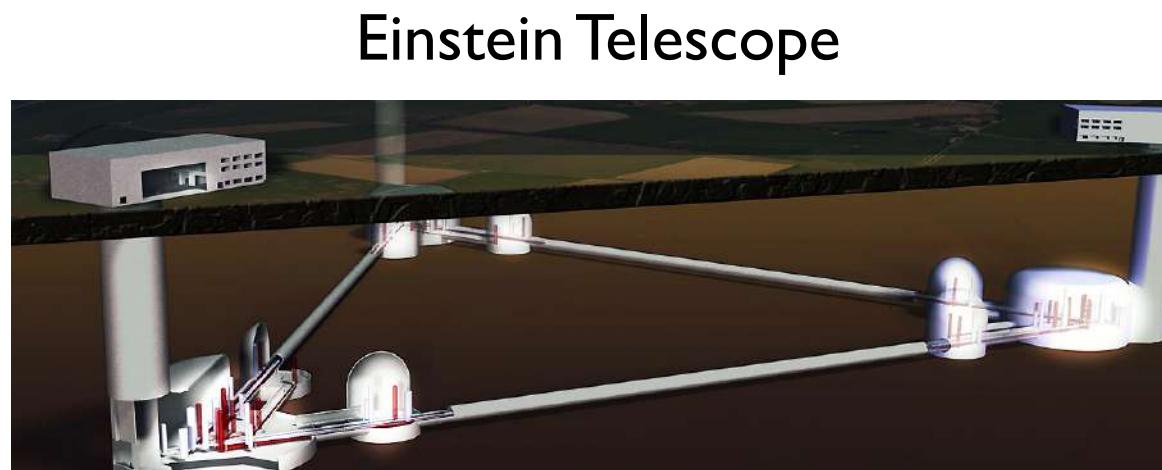
- Inference of **astrophysical properties** of BHs, NSBHs and BNSs **in local Universe**.

Observation run	Network	Expected BNS detections	Expected NSBH detections	Expected BBH detections
O3	HLV	1^{+12}_{-1}	0^{+19}_{-0}	17^{+22}_{-11}
O4	HLVK	10^{+52}_{-10}	1^{+91}_{-1}	79^{+89}_{-44}

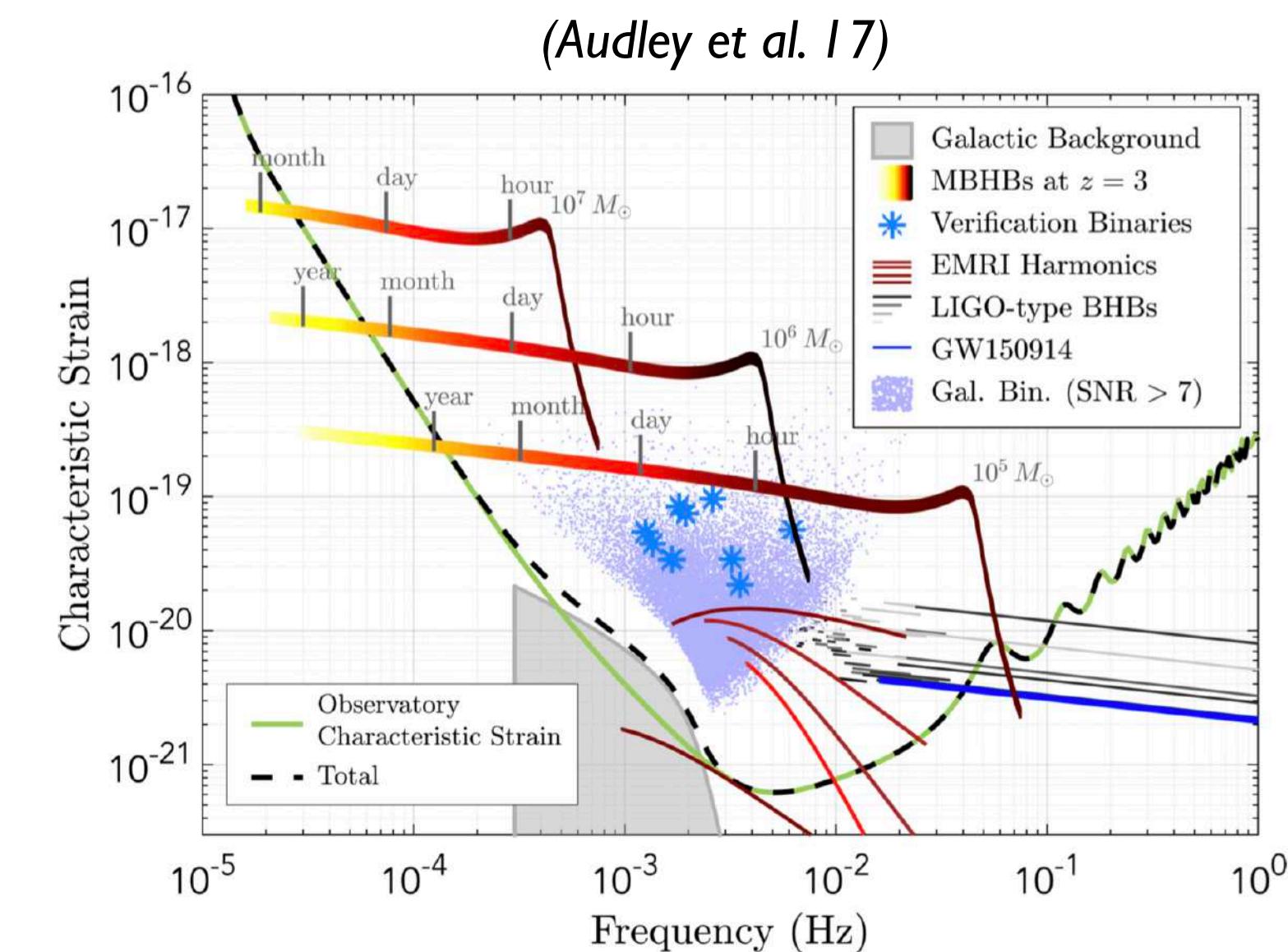
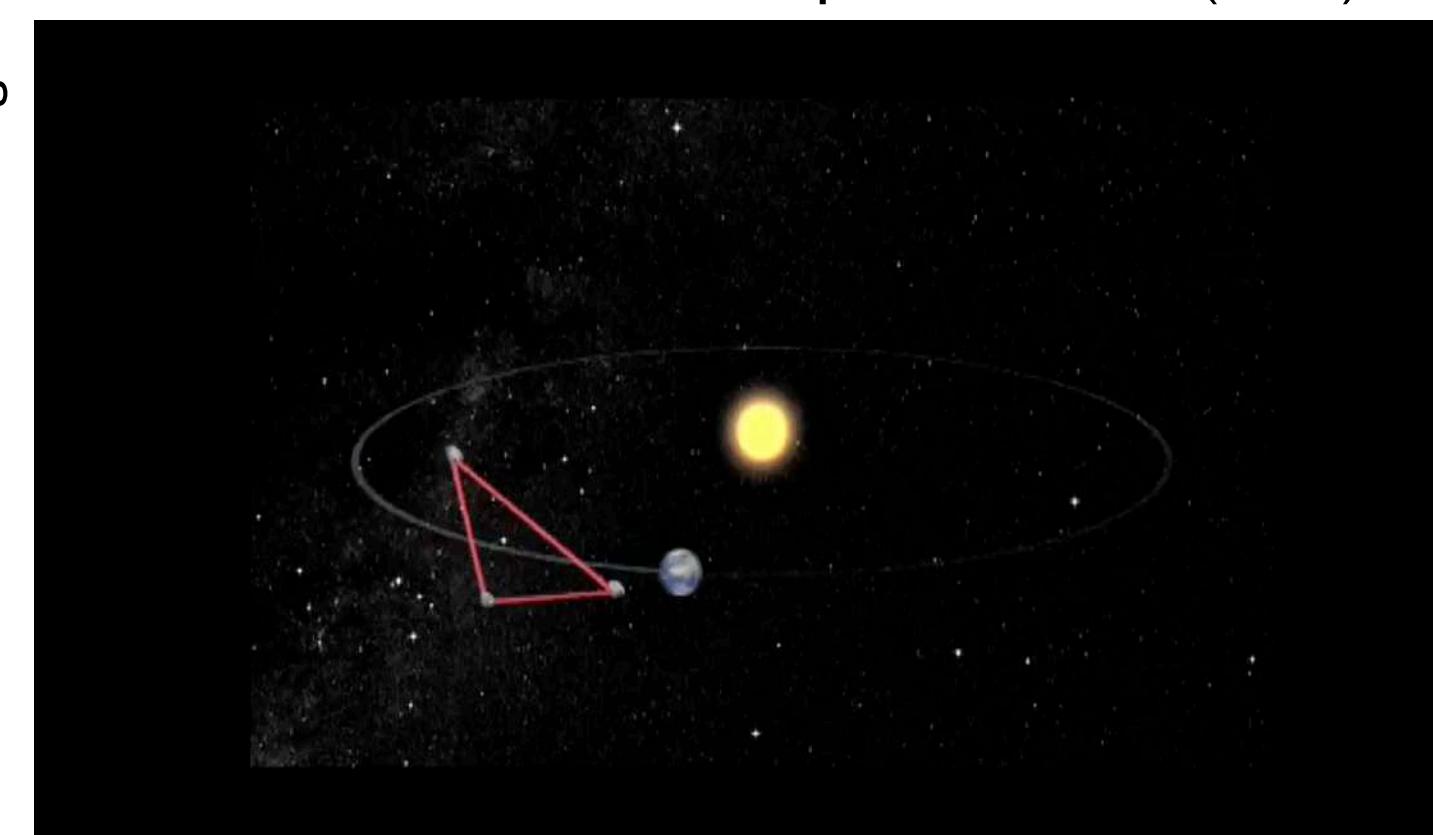
(Aasi et al. Living Rev. Rel. 21, 2020)



Gravitational-Wave Landscape after 2030 on the Ground and in Space



Laser Interferometer Space Antenna (LISA)





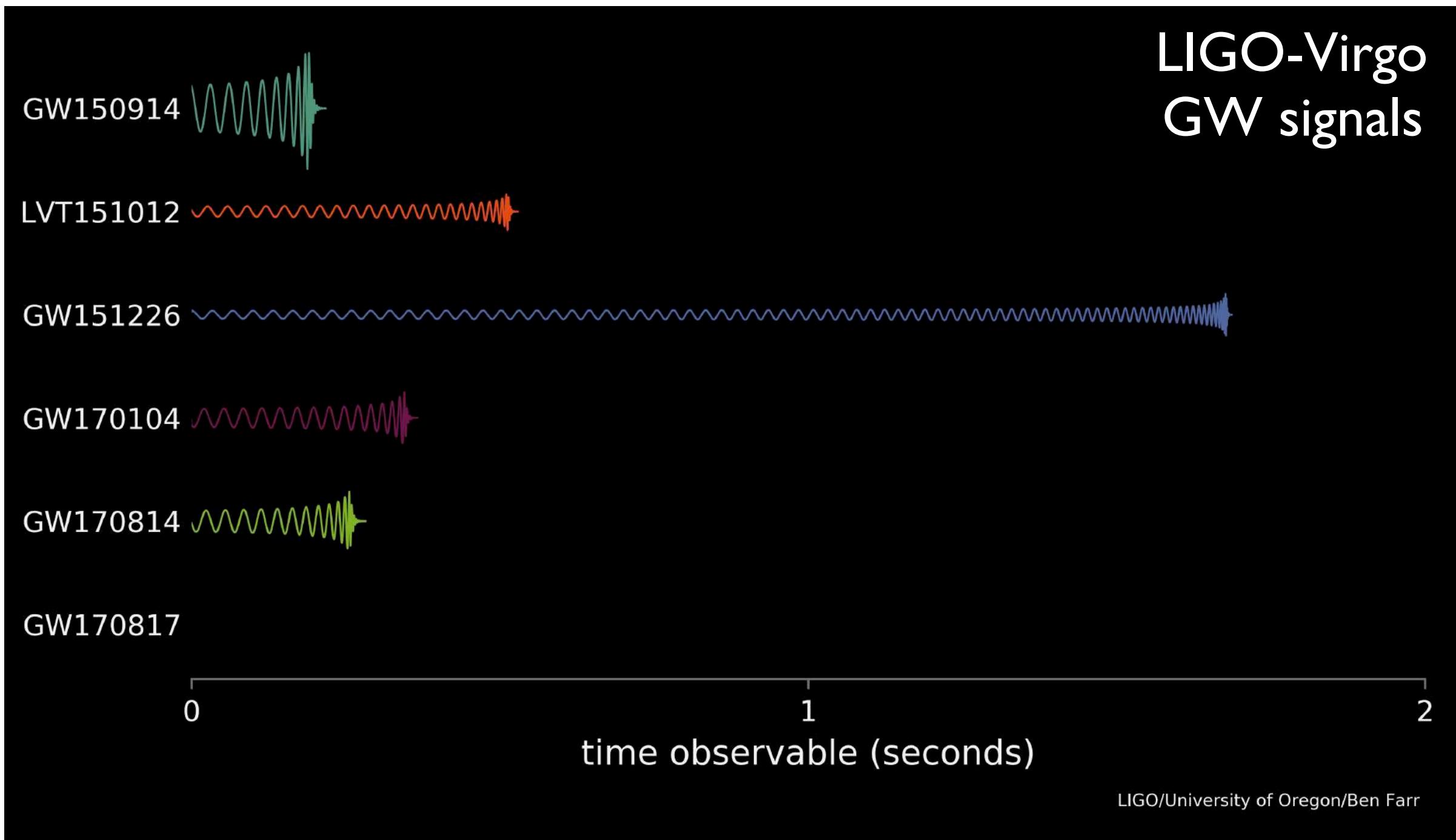
Outline



- **Highlights on science** (astrophysical-source properties, tests of General Relativity) **from the latest observing run** of LIGO and Virgo.
- What have we **learned from the “exceptional” GW events** of the latest observing run?
- Is a **clear picture of the population properties** (masses and spins) of compact-object binaries **emerging**?
- What has been the **role of theoretical predictions for the two-body** dynamics and gravitational radiation **in interpreting signals and unveiling their properties**?
- What to do (theoretically) to **keep up with the pace at which GW detectors will be improving** their sensitivity in the next years and decades?



Gravitational Waves are Fingerprints of Sources and Gravity Theory

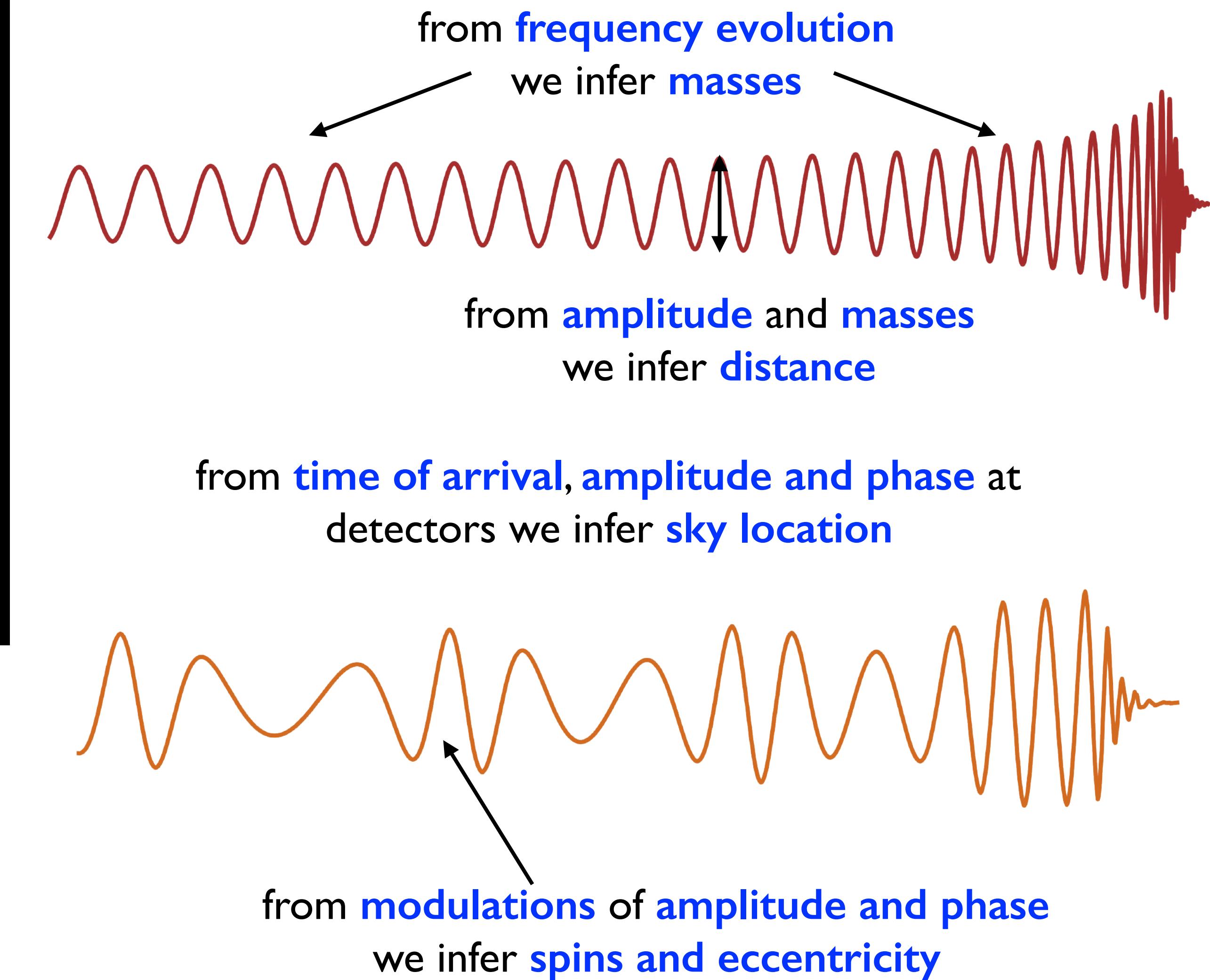


- At fixed binary's mass, the **lower** the GW **frequency**, the **larger** the **binary's separation**, and the **earlier** the **inspiral stage**

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r^3}} \quad f_{\text{GW}} = \frac{\omega}{\pi}$$

orbital frequency
orbital separation

- Binary black holes **merge** at $f_{\text{GW}} \sim \frac{4400 \text{ Hz}}{M/M_{\text{Sun}}}$



By **comparing to waveforms with deviations**
from GR, we can probe gravity

Solving Two-Body Problem in General Relativity

- GR is non-linear theory.

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{\mu\nu}$$

- Einstein's field equations can be solved:

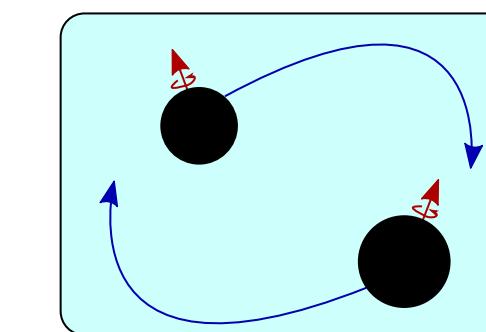
- approximately, but analytically (fast way)
- "exactly", but numerically on supercomputers (slow way)

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- Post-Newtonian (PN) (large separation, and slow motion, bound motion, i.e., early inspiral)

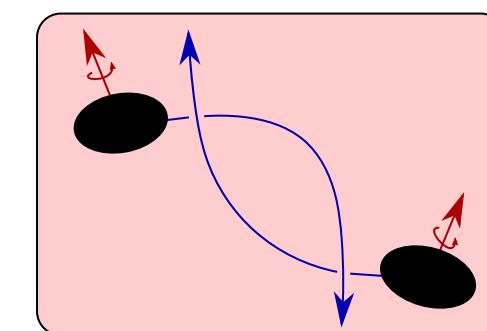
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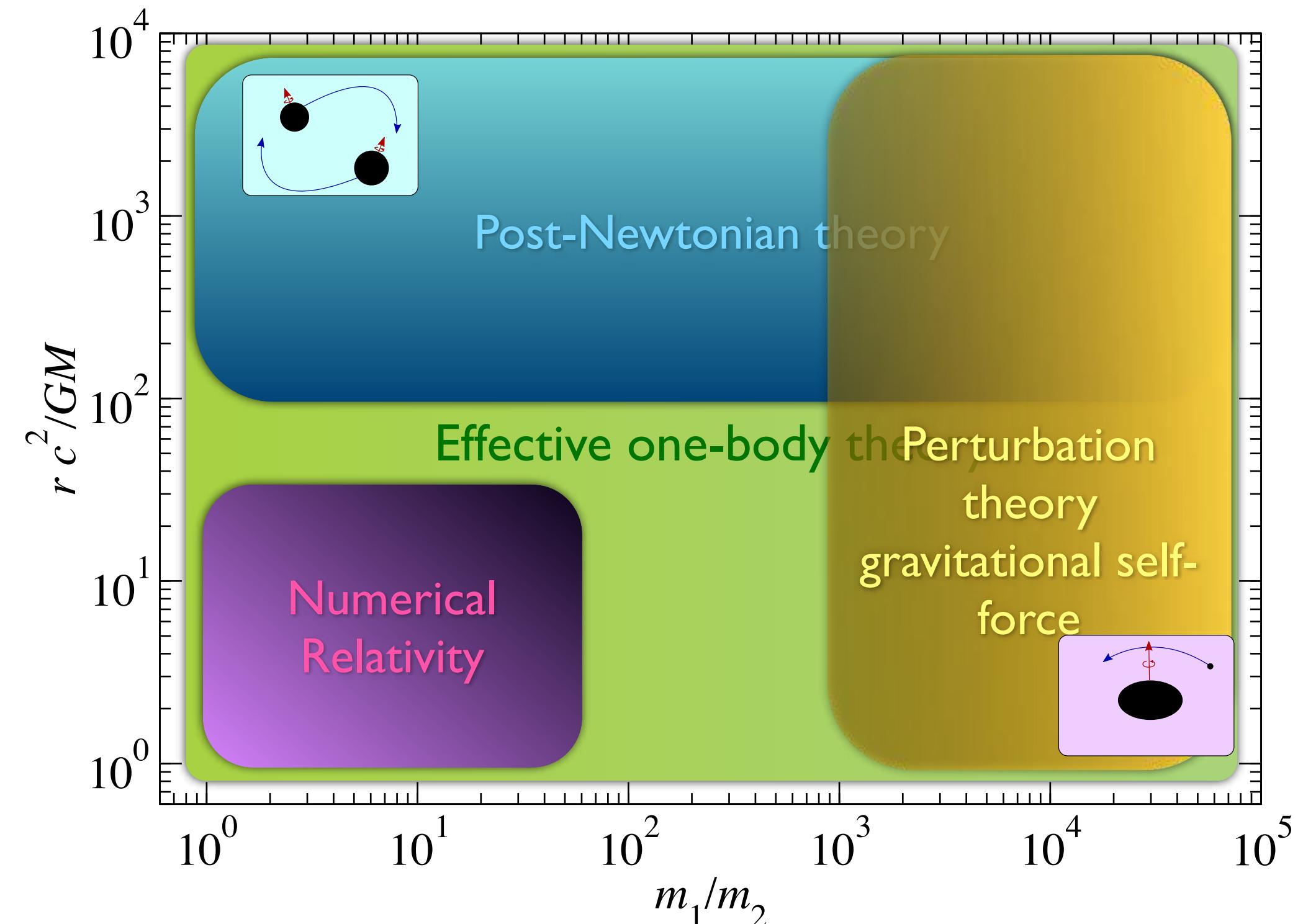


- Post-Minkowskian (PM) (large separation, unbound motion, i.e., scattering)

expansion in G

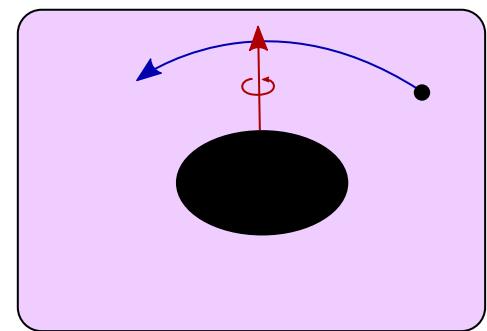


bound orbits: $v^2/c^2 \sim GM/rc^2$



- Small mass-ratio (gravitational self-force, GSF, i.e., early to late inspiral)

expansion in m_2/m_1



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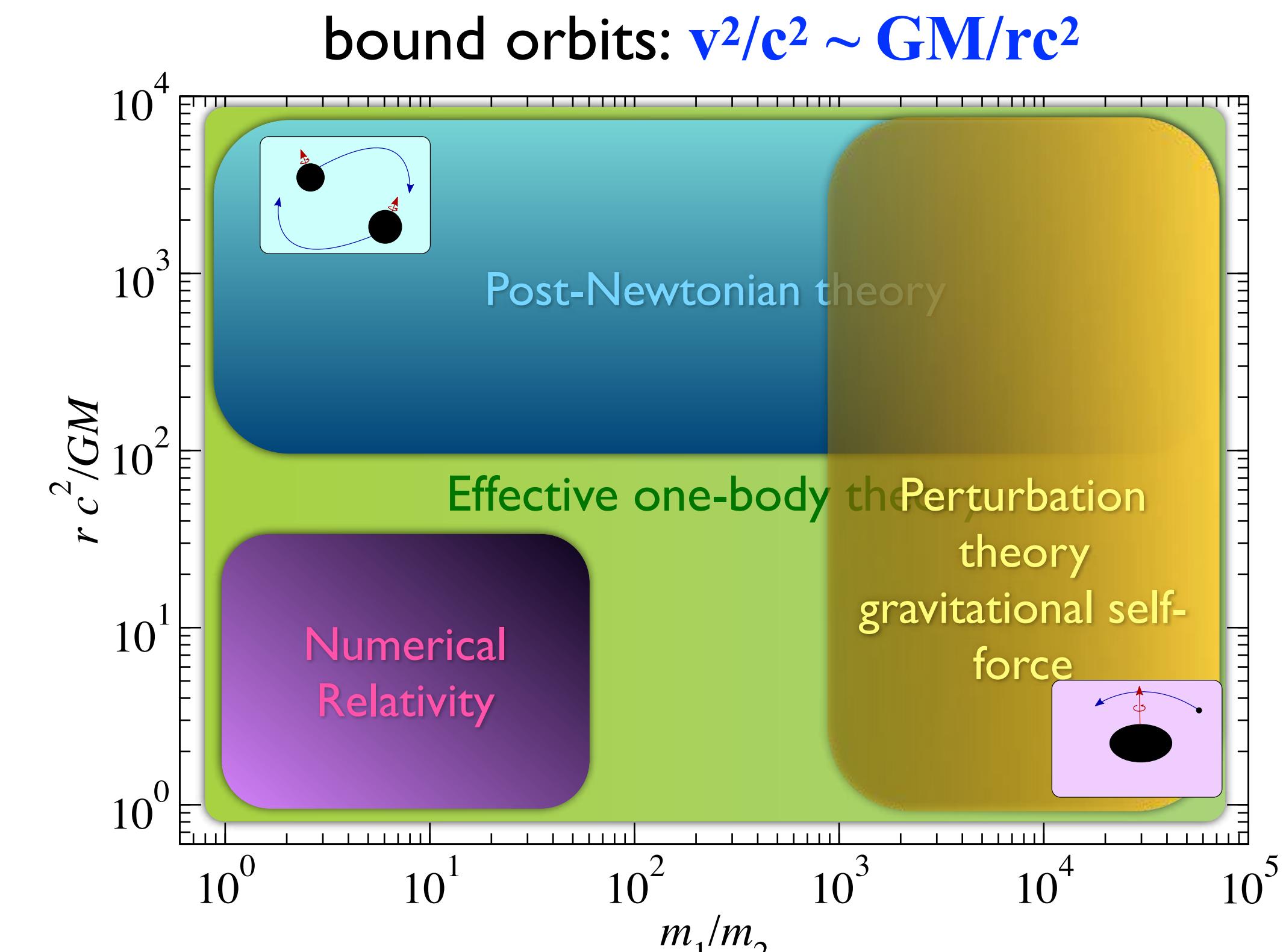
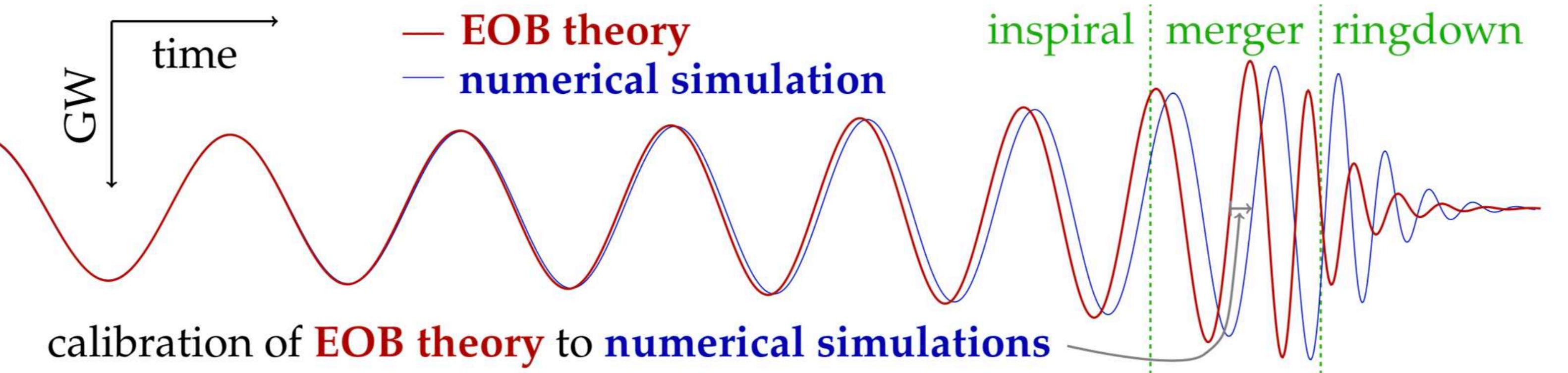
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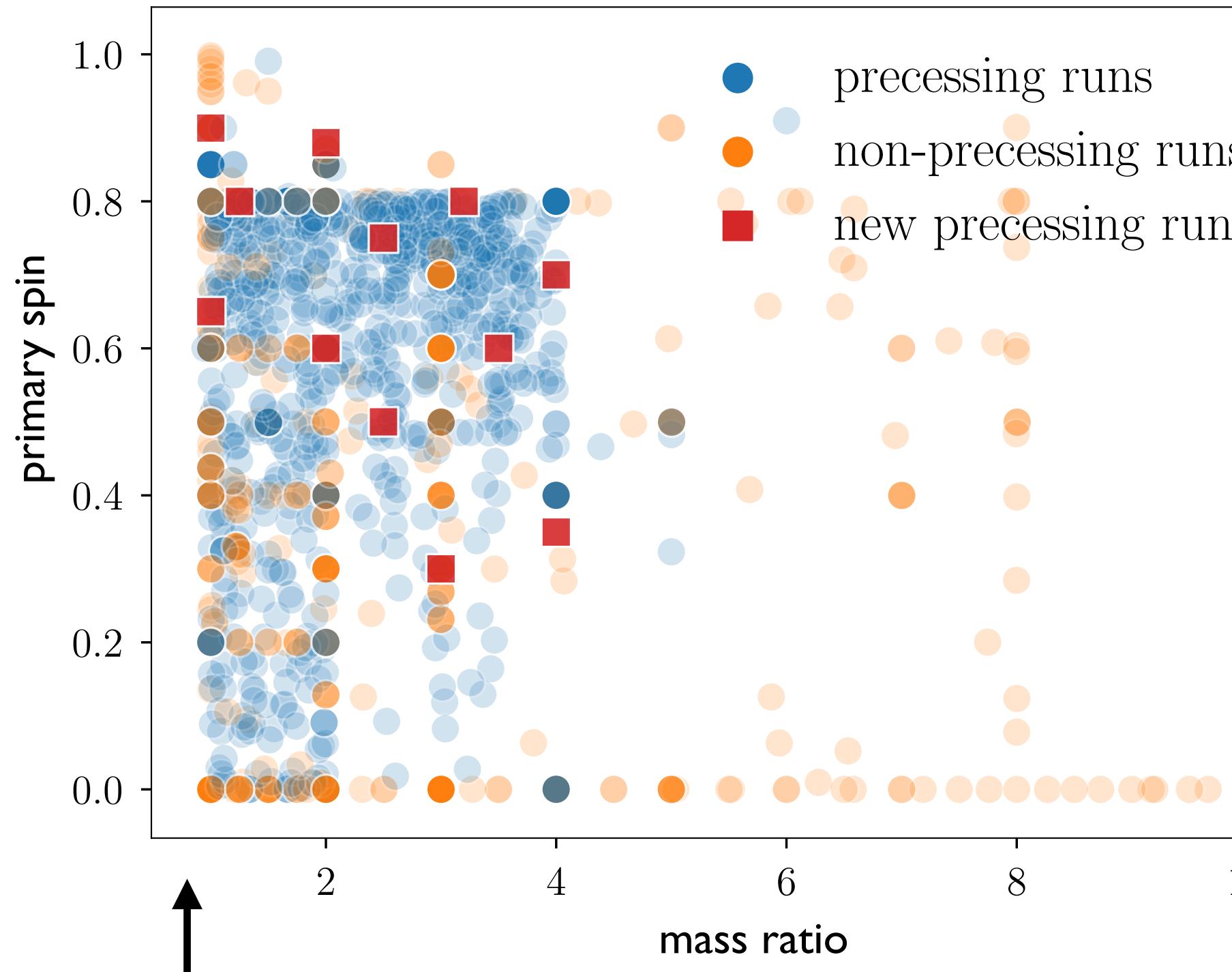
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- Synergy between analytical and numerical relativity is crucial to provide GW detectors with templates to use for searches and inference analyses.

- Effective-one-body (EOB) (combines results from all methods, i.e., entire coalescence)

- Key ideas of EOB theory inspired by quantum field theory.





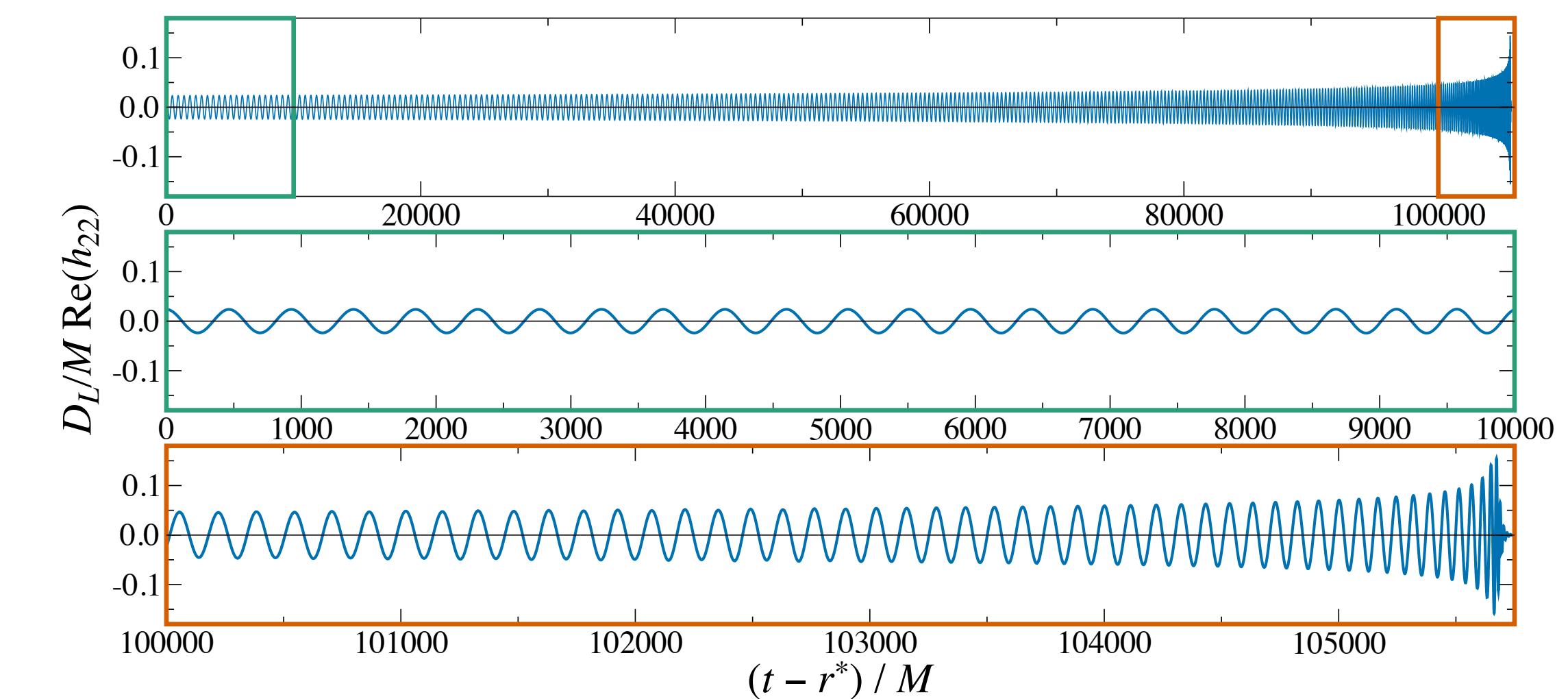
- Public Simulating eXtreme Spacetimes (SXS)
NR catalog.
(Boyle et al. 19, Ossokine et al. 20)
- Other public NR catalogs.
(Husa et al. 15, Jani et al. 17, Healy et al. 17, 19, 20)

- Einstein's equations solved **numerically**

$$R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}g_{\mu\nu}R = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4}T_{\mu\nu}$$

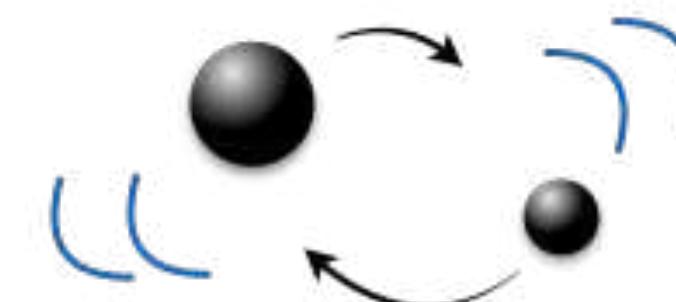
- **376 GW cycles**, zero spins & mass-ratio 7 (8 months, few millions CPU-h)

(Szilagyi, Blackman, AB, Taracchini et al. 15)



- Real Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{real}}^{\text{PN}} = H_{\text{Newt}} + H_{1\text{PN}} + H_{2\text{PN}} + \dots$$



- EOB Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB}} = M \sqrt{1 + 2\nu \left(\frac{H_{\text{eff}}^\nu}{\mu} - 1 \right)}$$

- Dynamics condensed $A_\nu(r)$ and $B_\nu(r)$

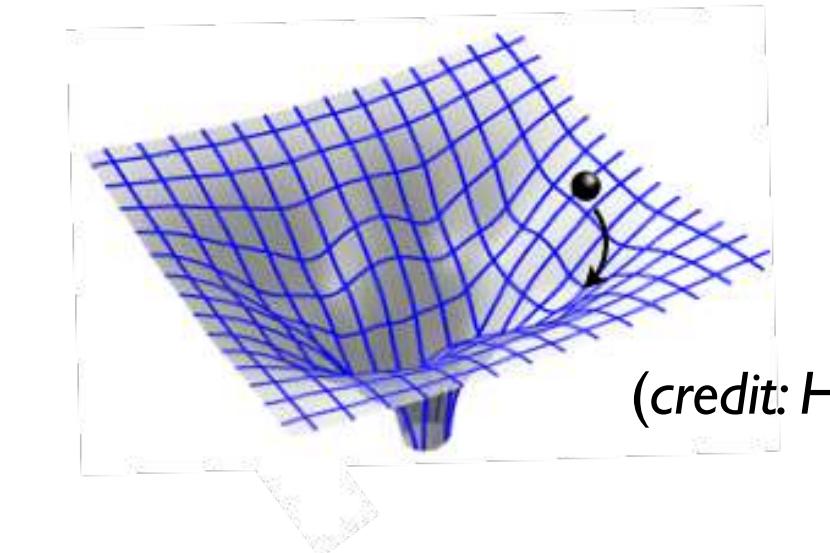
- $A_\nu(r)$, which encodes the energetics of circular orbits, is quite simple:

$$A_\nu(r) = 1 - \frac{2M}{r} + \frac{2M^3\nu}{r^3} + \left(\frac{94}{3} - \frac{41}{32}\pi^2 \right) \frac{M^4\nu}{r^4} + \frac{a_5(\nu) + a_5^{\log}(\nu) \log(r)}{r^5} + \frac{a_6(\nu)}{r^6} + \dots$$



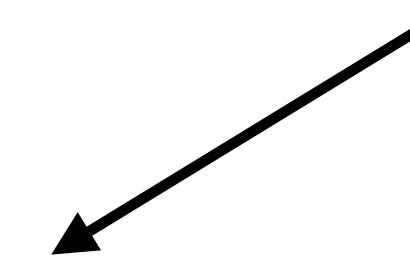
- Effective Hamiltonian

$$H_{\text{eff}}^\nu = \mu \sqrt{A_\nu(r) \left[1 + \frac{\mathbf{p}^2}{\mu^2} + \left(\frac{1}{B_\nu(r)} - 1 \right) \frac{p_r^2}{\mu^2} \right]}$$

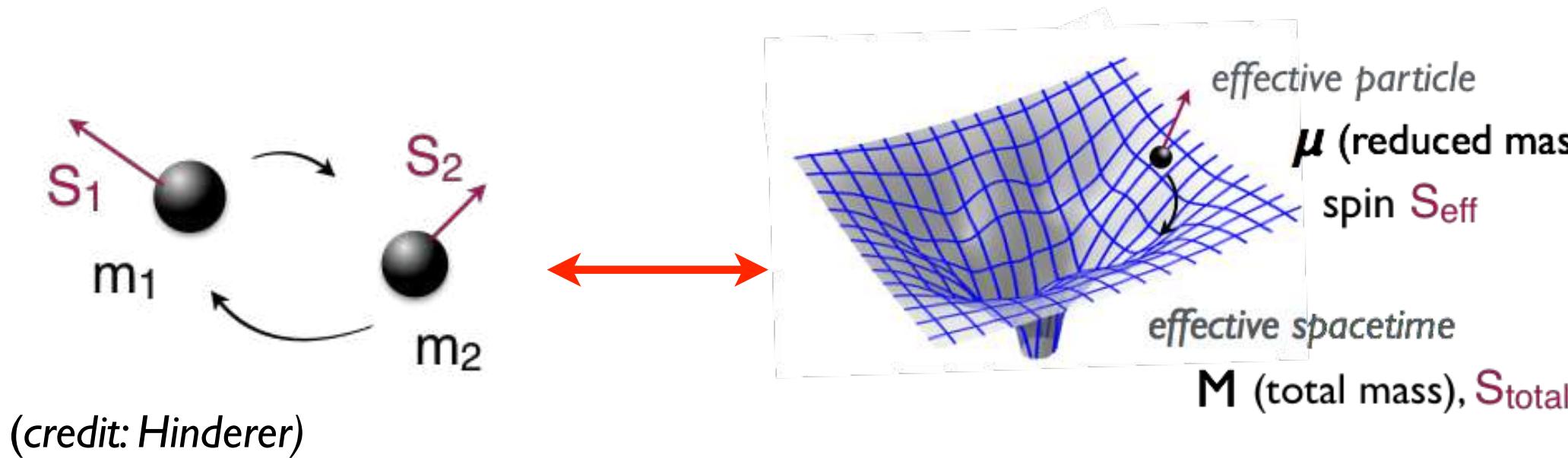


(credit: Hinderer)

$$ds_{\text{eff}}^2 = -A_\nu(r)dt^2 + B_\nu(r)dr^2 + r^2d\Omega^2$$



5PN unknown as today



$$H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB}} = M \sqrt{1 + 2\nu \left(\frac{H_{\text{eff}}^{\nu}}{\mu} - 1 \right)}$$

- **EOB equations of motion** (AB et al. 00, 05; Damour et al. 09):

$$\dot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\partial H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB}}}{\partial \mathbf{p}} \quad F \propto \frac{dE}{dt}, \quad \frac{dE}{dt} \propto \sum_{\ell m} |h_{\ell m}|^2$$

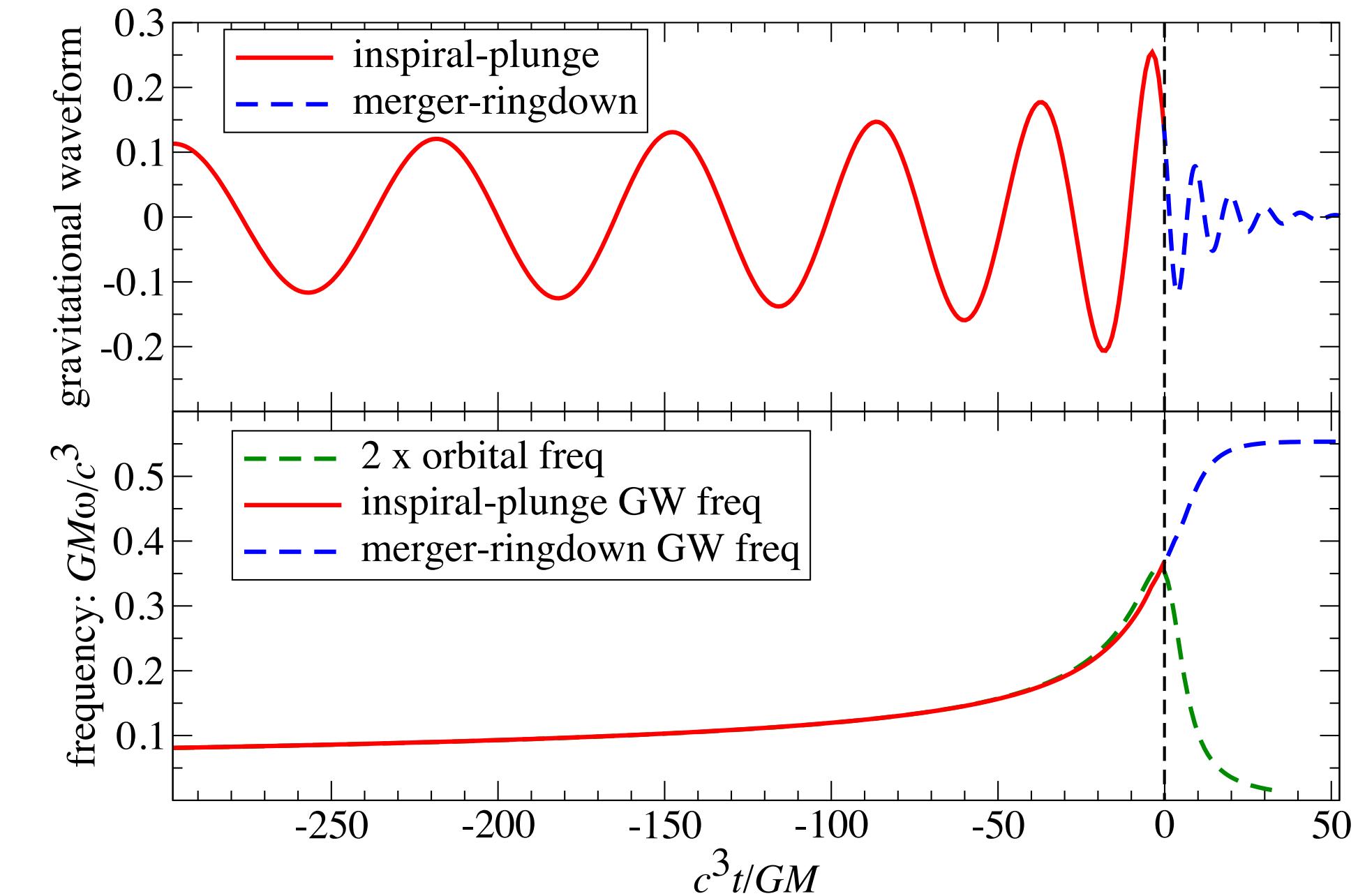
$$\dot{\mathbf{p}} = -\frac{\partial H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB}}}{\partial \mathbf{r}} + \mathbf{F} \quad \dot{\mathbf{S}} = \{\mathbf{S}, H_{\text{real}}^{\text{EOB}}\}$$

- **EOB inspiral waveforms** (AB et al. 00; Damour et al. 09, 11; Pan, AB et al. 11):

$$h_{\ell m}^{\text{inspiral-plunge}} = h_{\ell m}^{\text{Newt}} e^{-im\Phi} S_{\text{eff}} T_{\ell m} e^{i\delta_{\ell m}} (\rho_{\ell m})^\ell h_{\ell m}^{\text{NQC}}$$

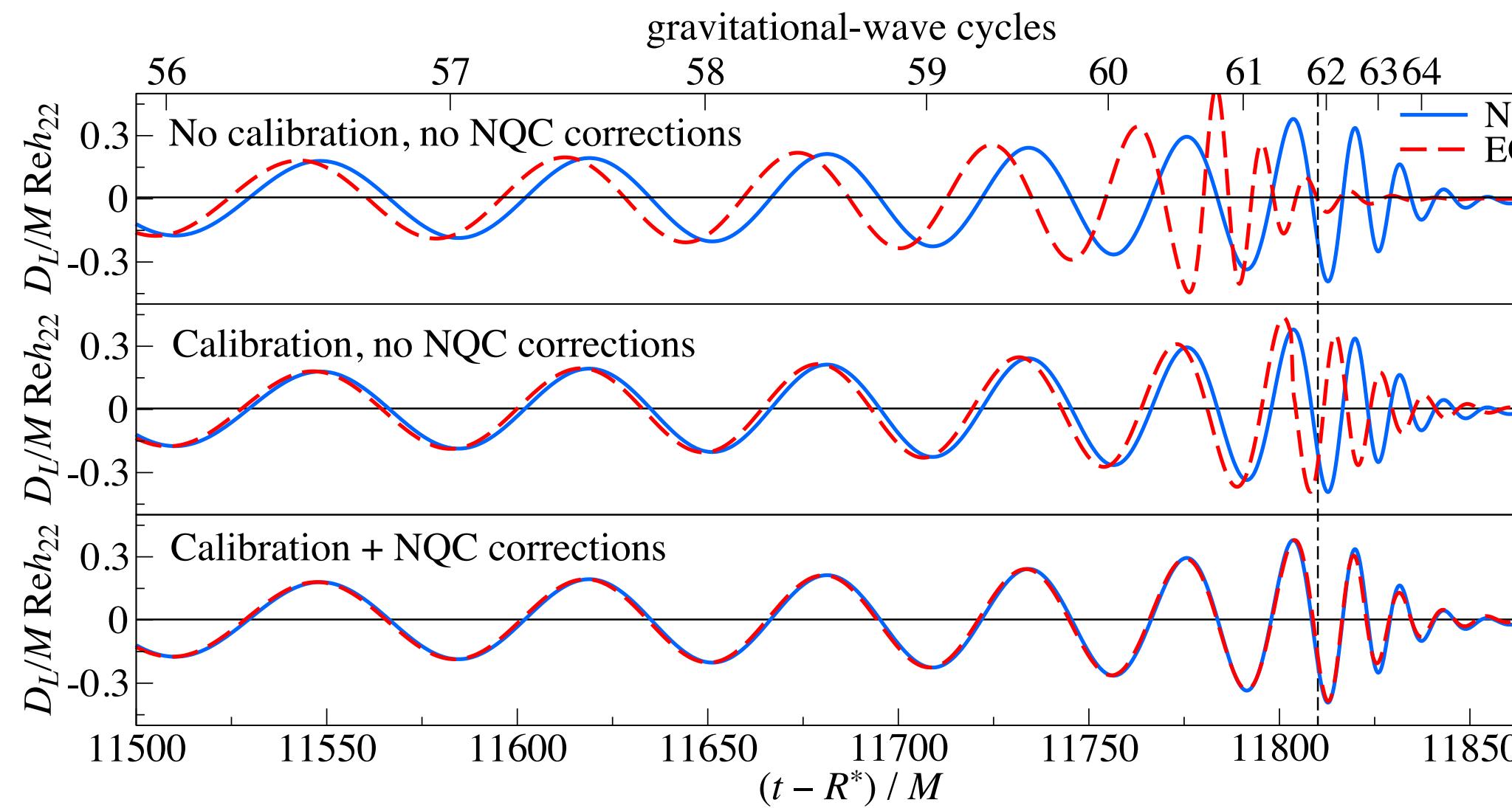
- **EOB merger-ringdown waveform is a superposition of quasi-normal modes.**

(AB & Damour 00, AB et al. 07, Damour & Nagar 07, Del Pozzo & Nagar 17, Bohé et al. 17)



(AB & Damour 00)

- We calibrate EOB to **inspiral-merger-ringdown NR** waveforms.



(credit: Taracchini)

Calibration of SEOBNR for O2-O3 searches and inference studies

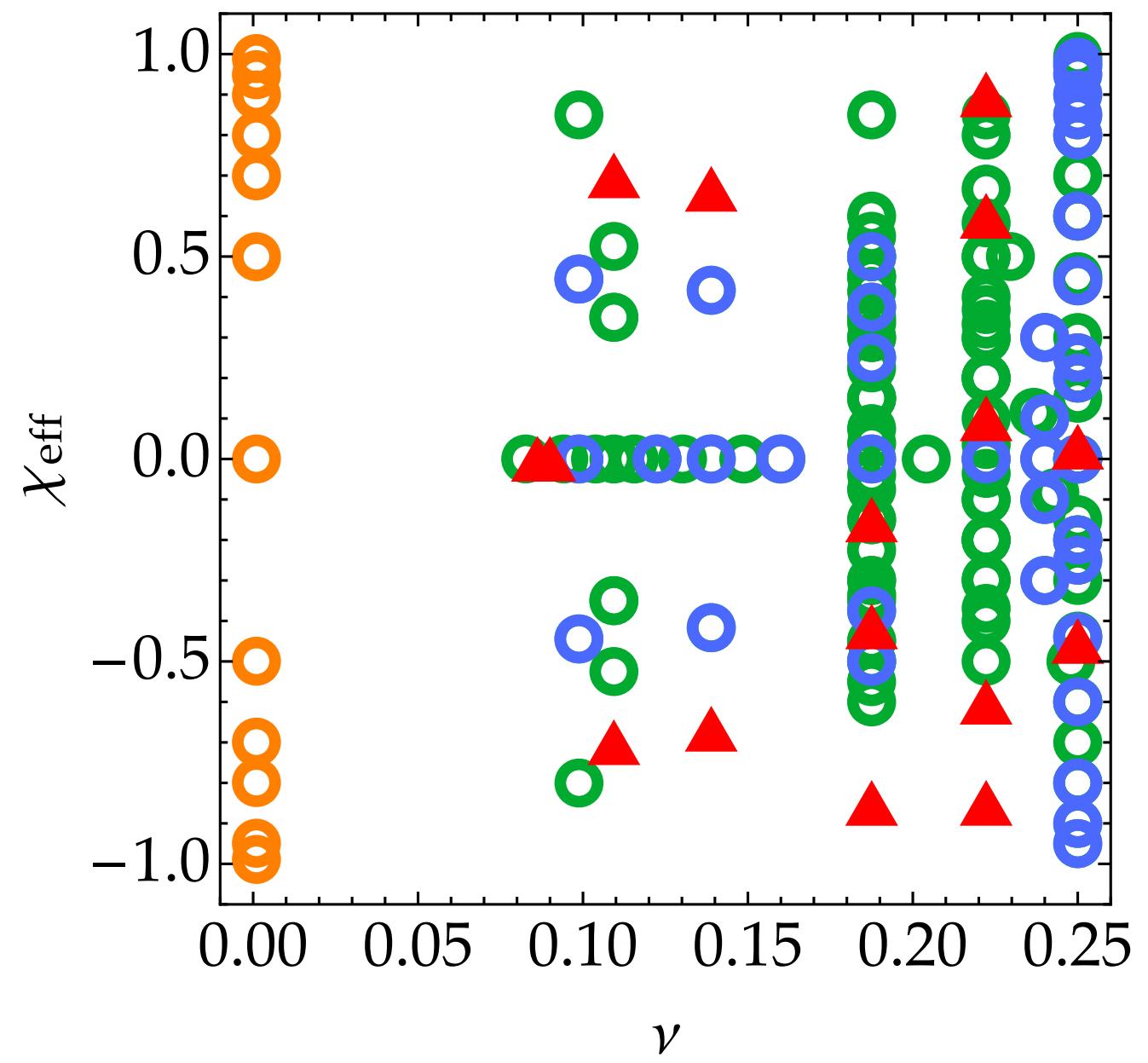
141 SXS simulations

$\chi_1 = S_1/m_1^2$

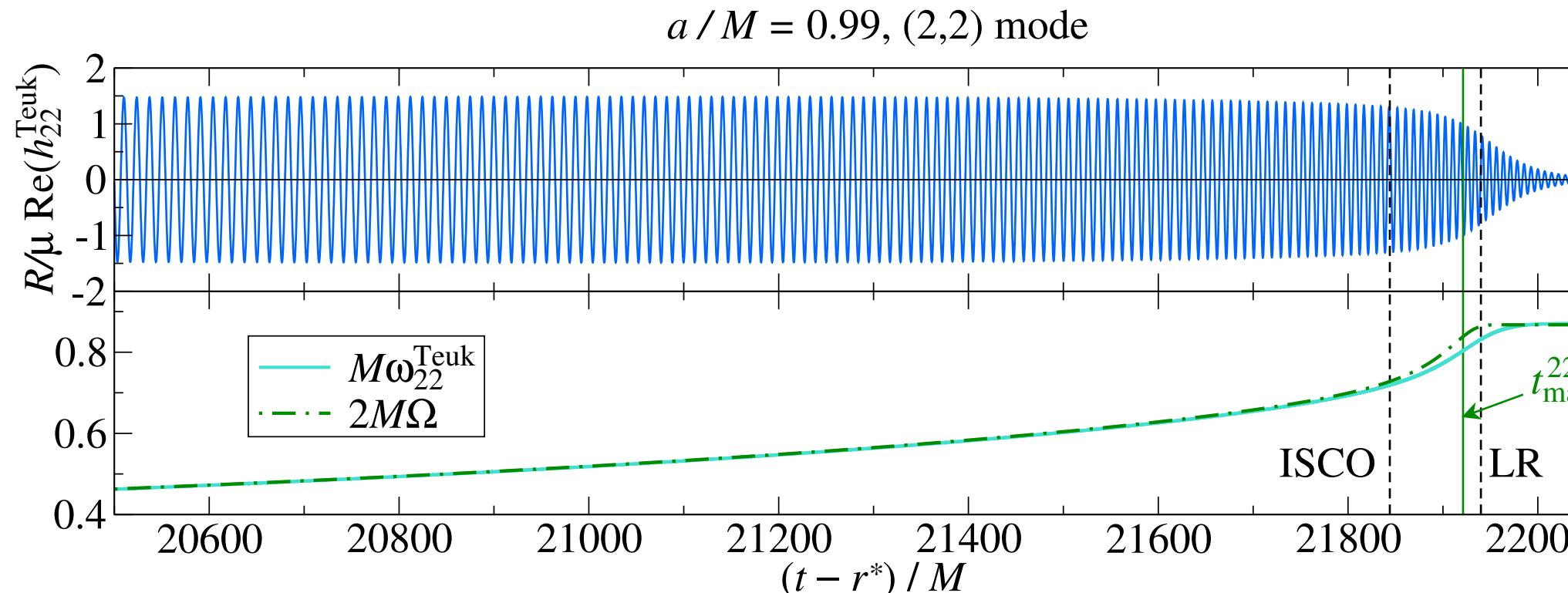
$\chi_2 = S_2/m_2^2$

$\chi_{\text{eff}} = \frac{m_1}{M} \chi_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} \chi_2$

○○○ SEOBNRv4
○○○ SEOBNRv2
○○○ Teukolsky
▲ validation



- We calibrate EOB to **merger-ringdown waveforms in test-body limit**.



(credit: Taracchini)

(Pan, AB et al. 13, Taracchini, AB, Pan, Hinderer & SXS 14, Pürrer 15)

(Bohé, Shao, Taracchini, AB & SXS 17, Babak et al. 16; Cotesta et al. 18, 20, Ossokine et al. 20)

(see also Damour & Nagar 14, Nagar et al. 18, Nagar, Messina et al. 19, Nagar, Pratten et al. 20, Nagar, Riemenschneider et al. 20, Riemenschneider et al. 21)

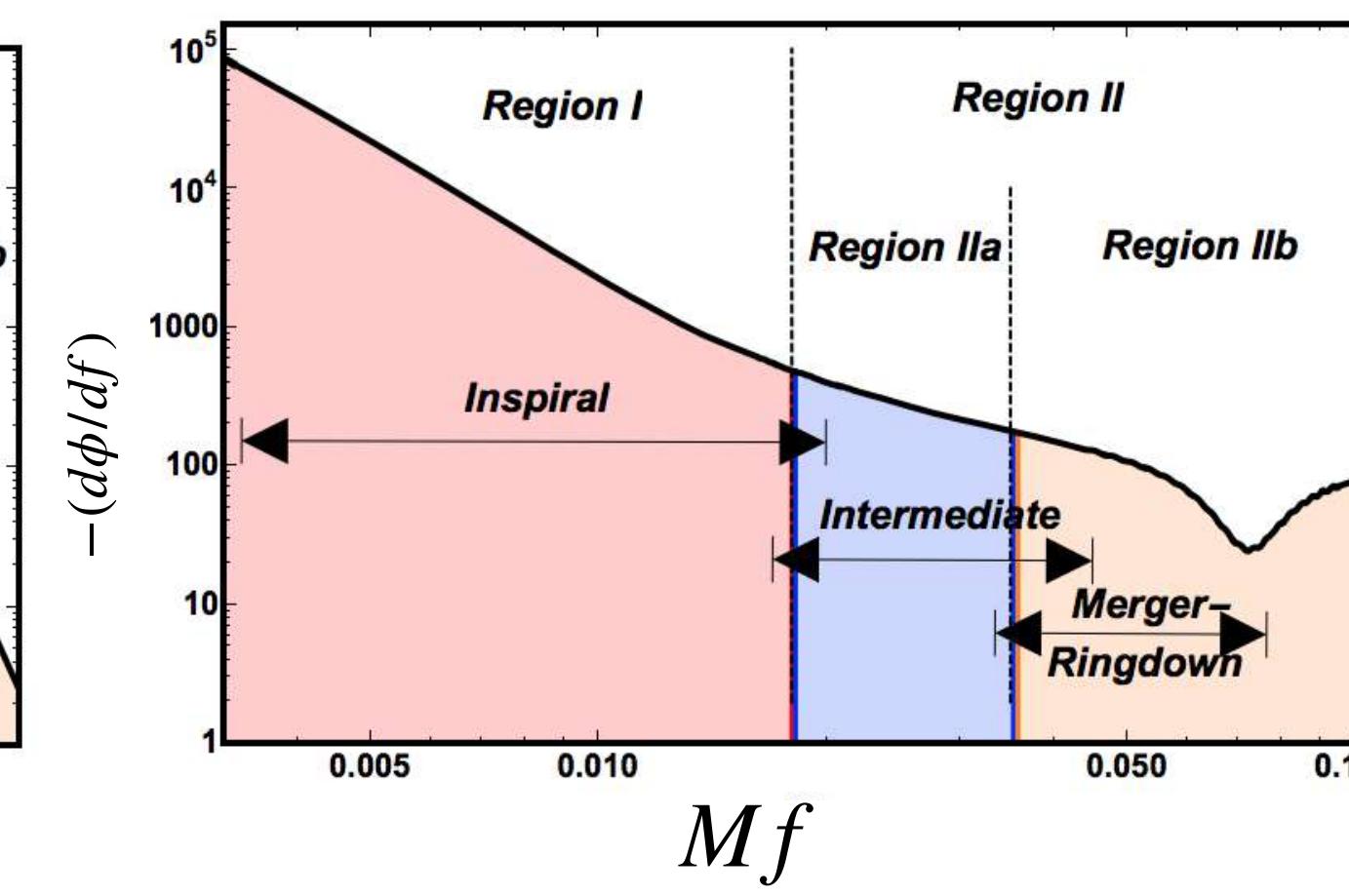
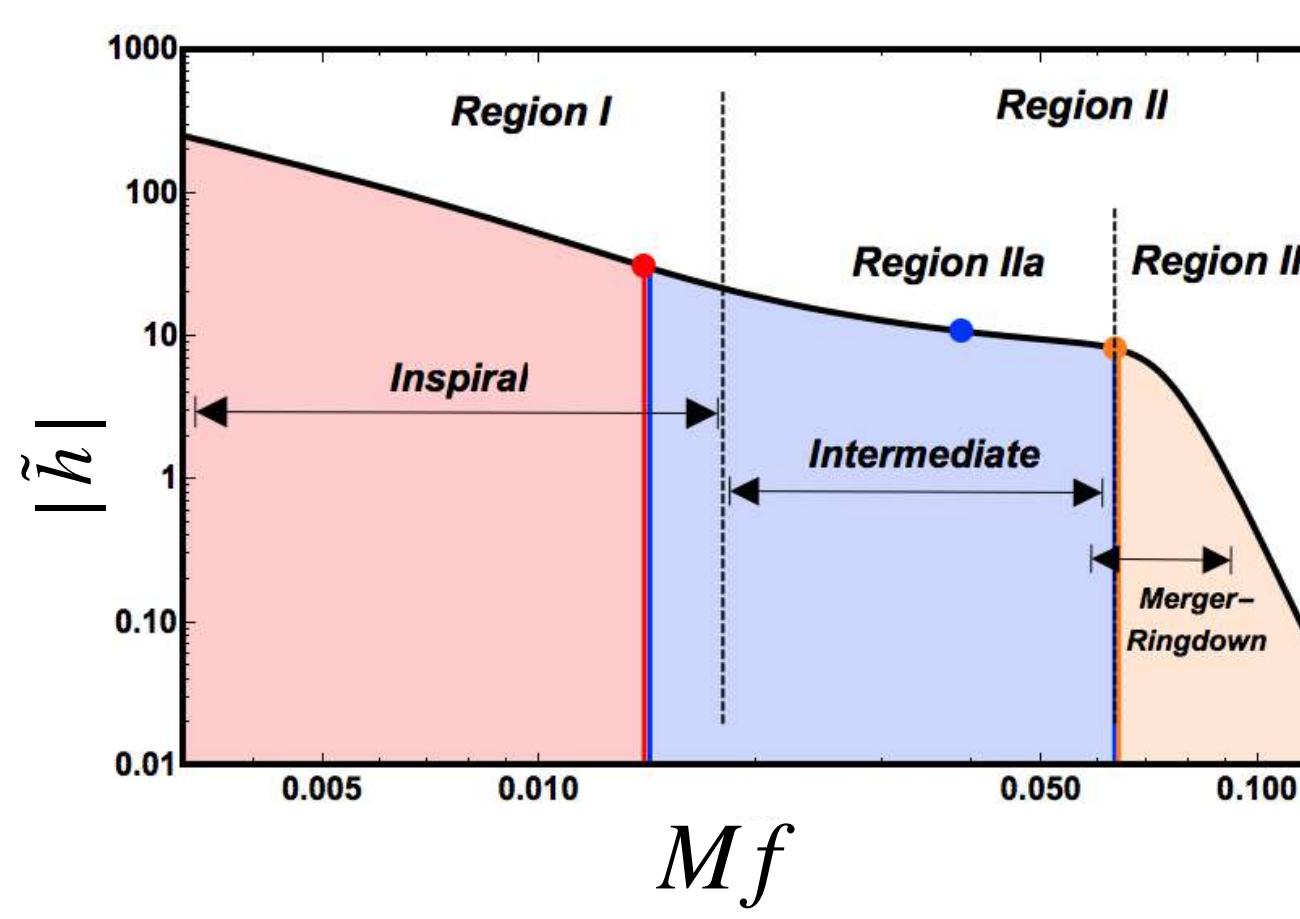
- **Fast, frequency-domain** waveform model hybridizing EOB & NR waveforms, and then fitting.

(Schmidt et al. 12; Hannam et al. 13; Khan et al. 15; Husa et al. 15; Khan et al. 18-19; García-Quiros et al. 20, Pratten et al. 20)

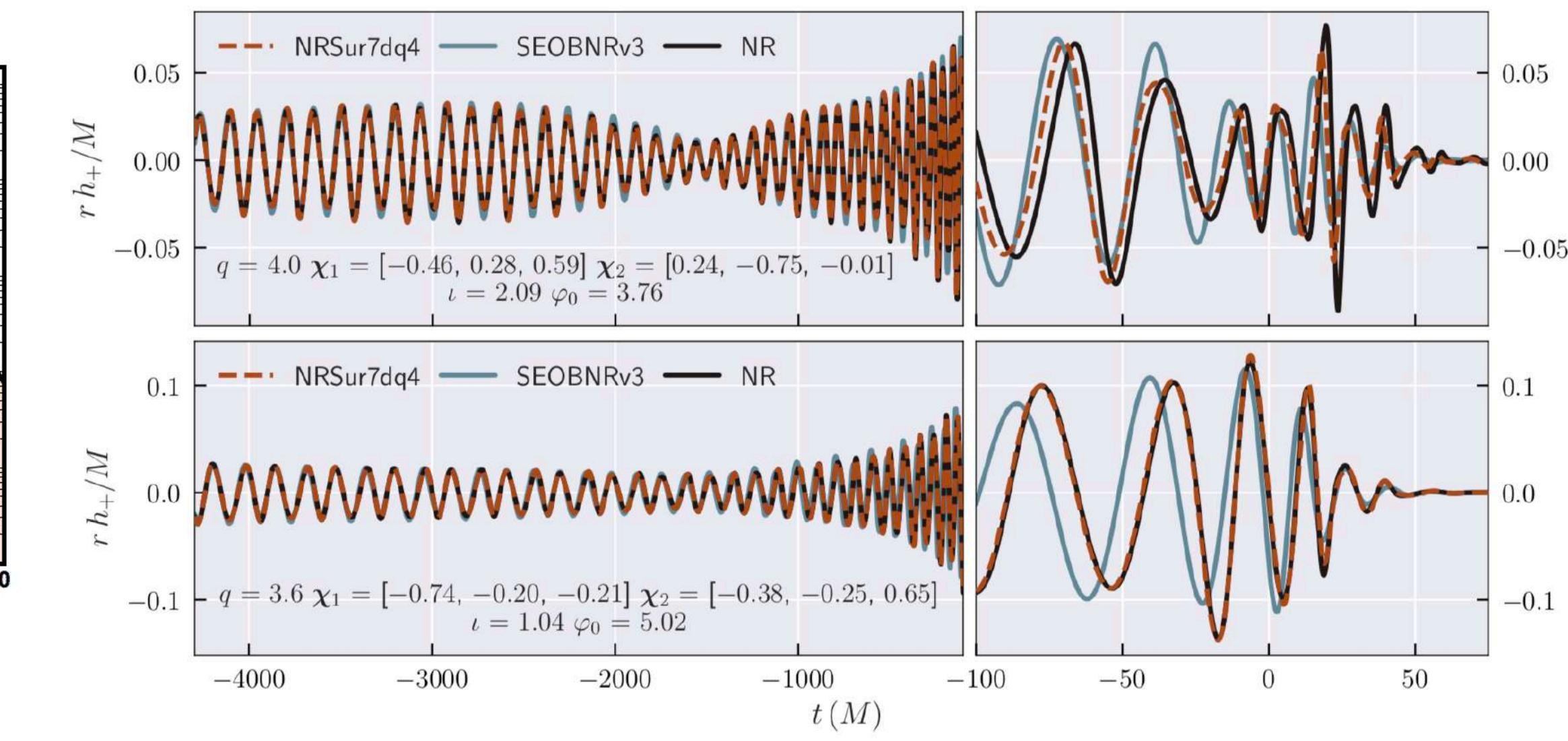
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$$\tilde{h}(f; \lambda_i) = \mathcal{A}(f; \lambda_i) e^{i\phi(f; \lambda_i)}$$

- **NR surrogate models** are built **directly** by interpolating **NR simulations**, which are **selected in parameter space** using analytical waveform models.
- **Highly accurate**, but **limited in binary's parameter space and length** (~ 20 orbits), unless hybridized with EOBNR waveforms.



(Khan et al. 16)

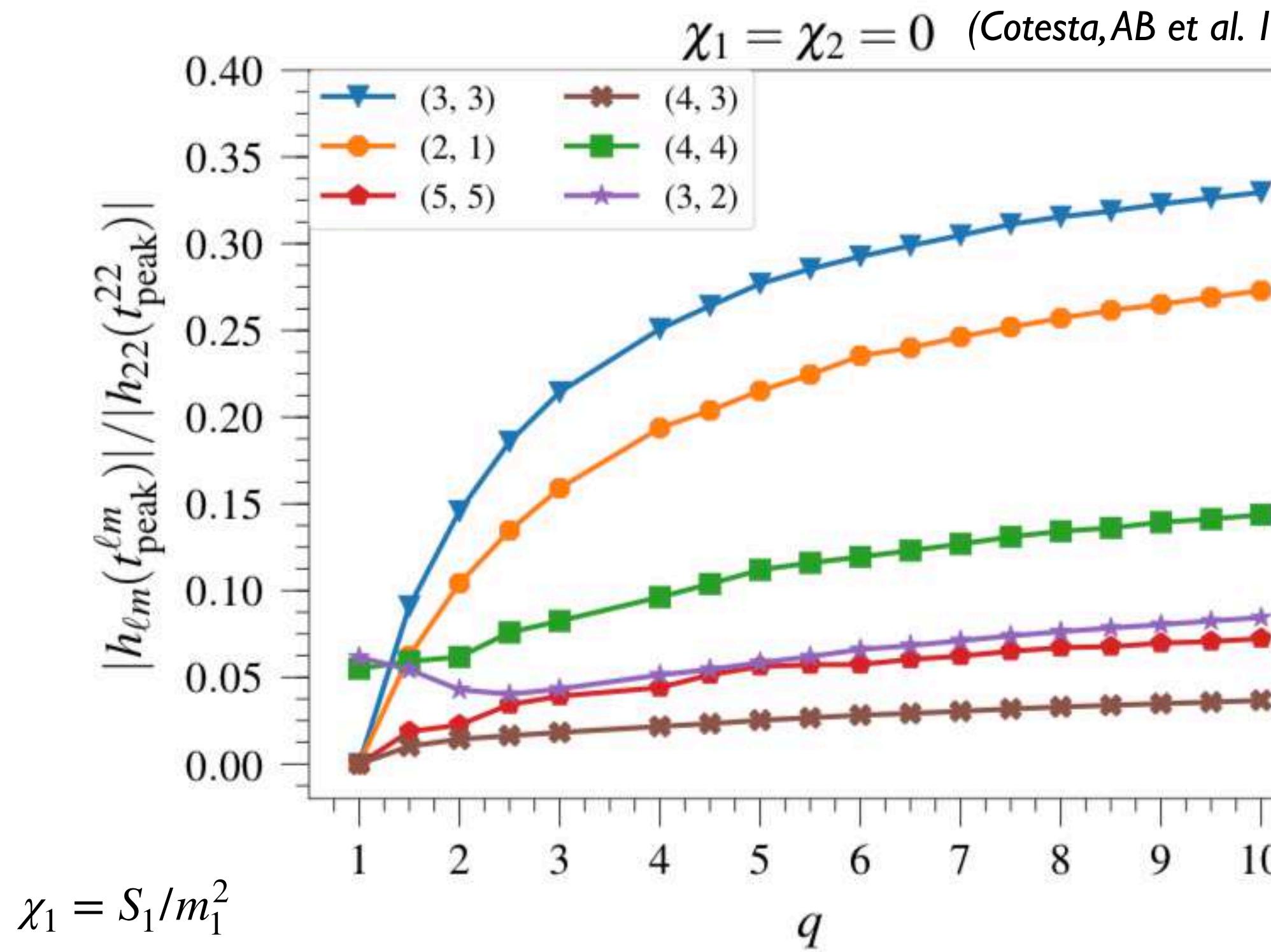
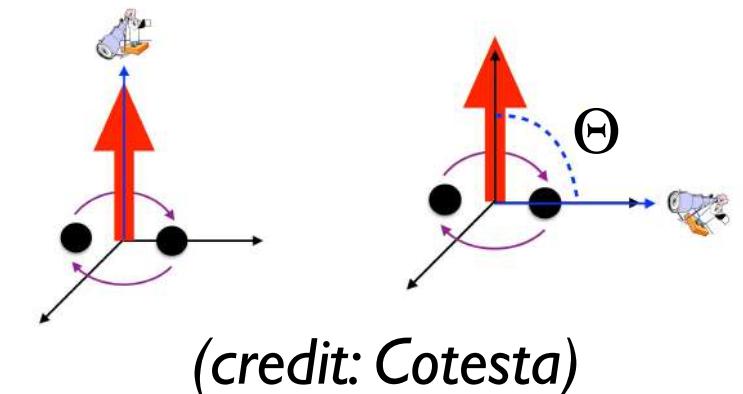


(Varma et al. 19)

- GWTC-2 used for the first time multipolar, spin precessing waveform models.

(Khan et al. 19, Varma et al. 19, Ossokine et al. 20)

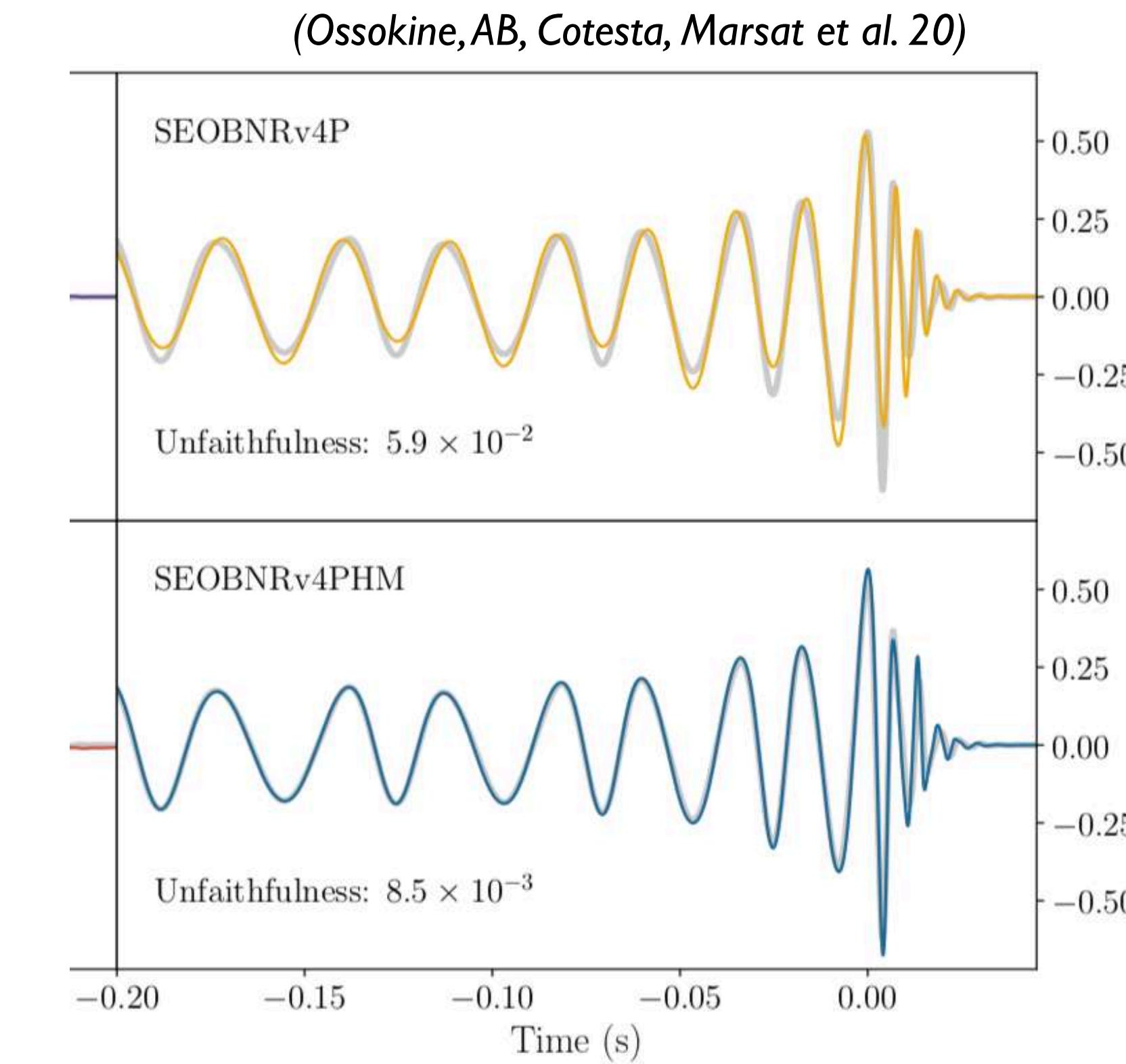
$$h_+(t; \Theta, \varphi) - i h_\times(t; \Theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} {}_{-2}Y_{\ell m}(\Theta, \varphi) h_{\ell m}(t)$$



$$\chi_1 = S_1/m_1^2$$

$$\chi_2 = S_2/m_2^2$$

$$q = m_1/m_2$$



- Waveforms from BBHs (BNSs & NSBHs) are described by 15 (17 & 16) parameters.

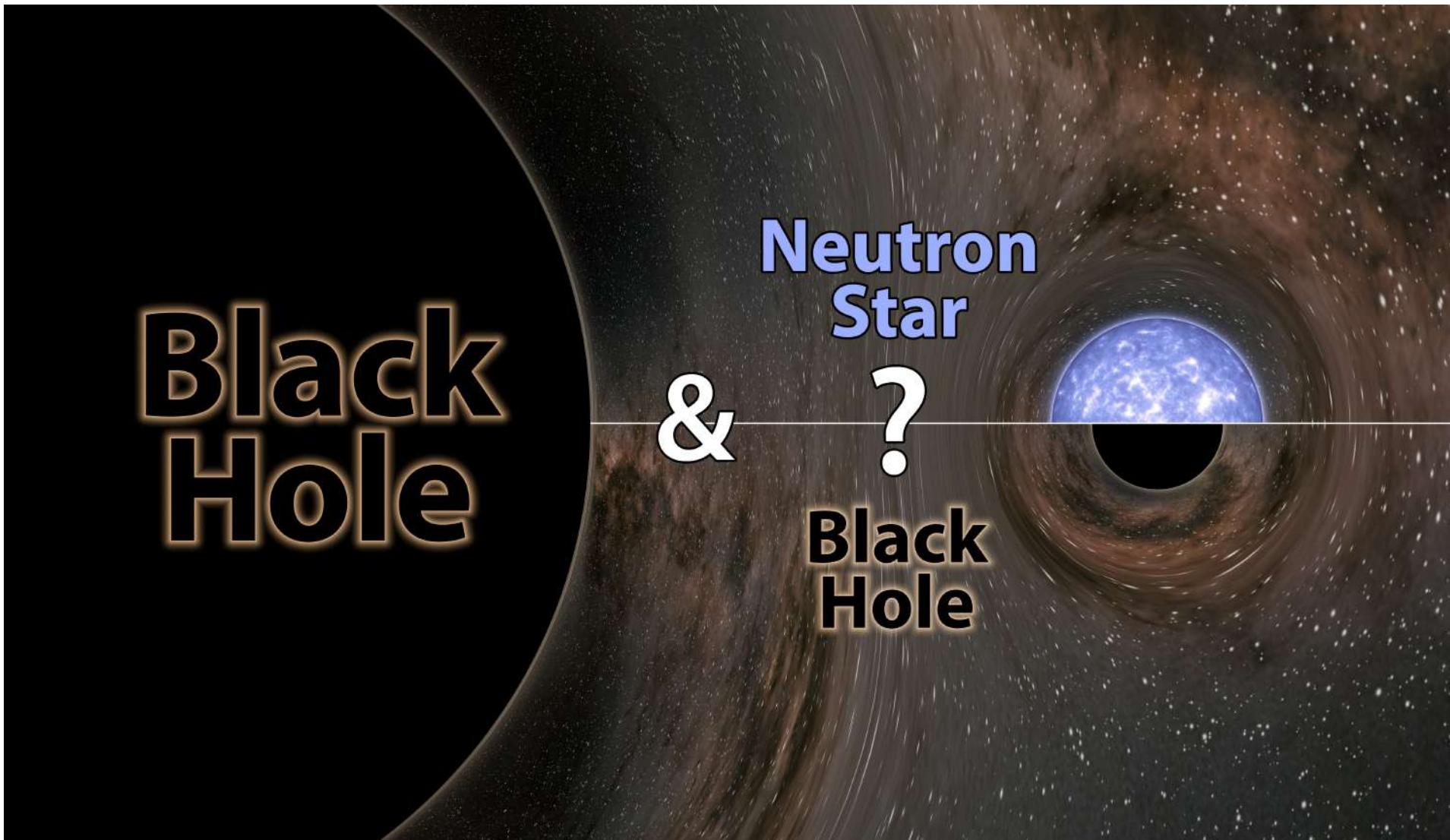


Highlights from O3a Run as we Explore the Universe

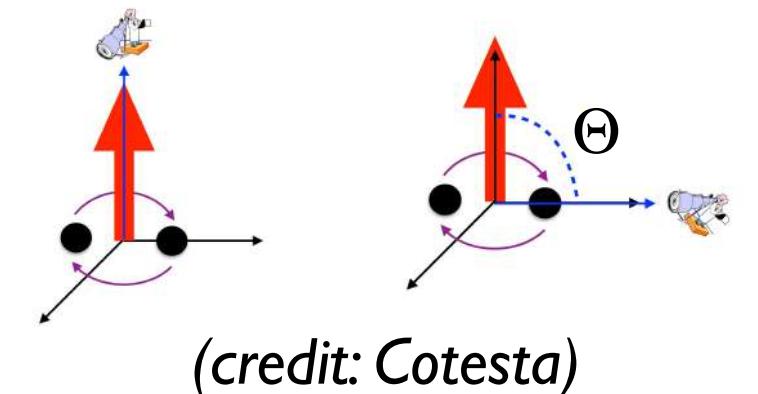


GW190814: a binary with a puzzling companion

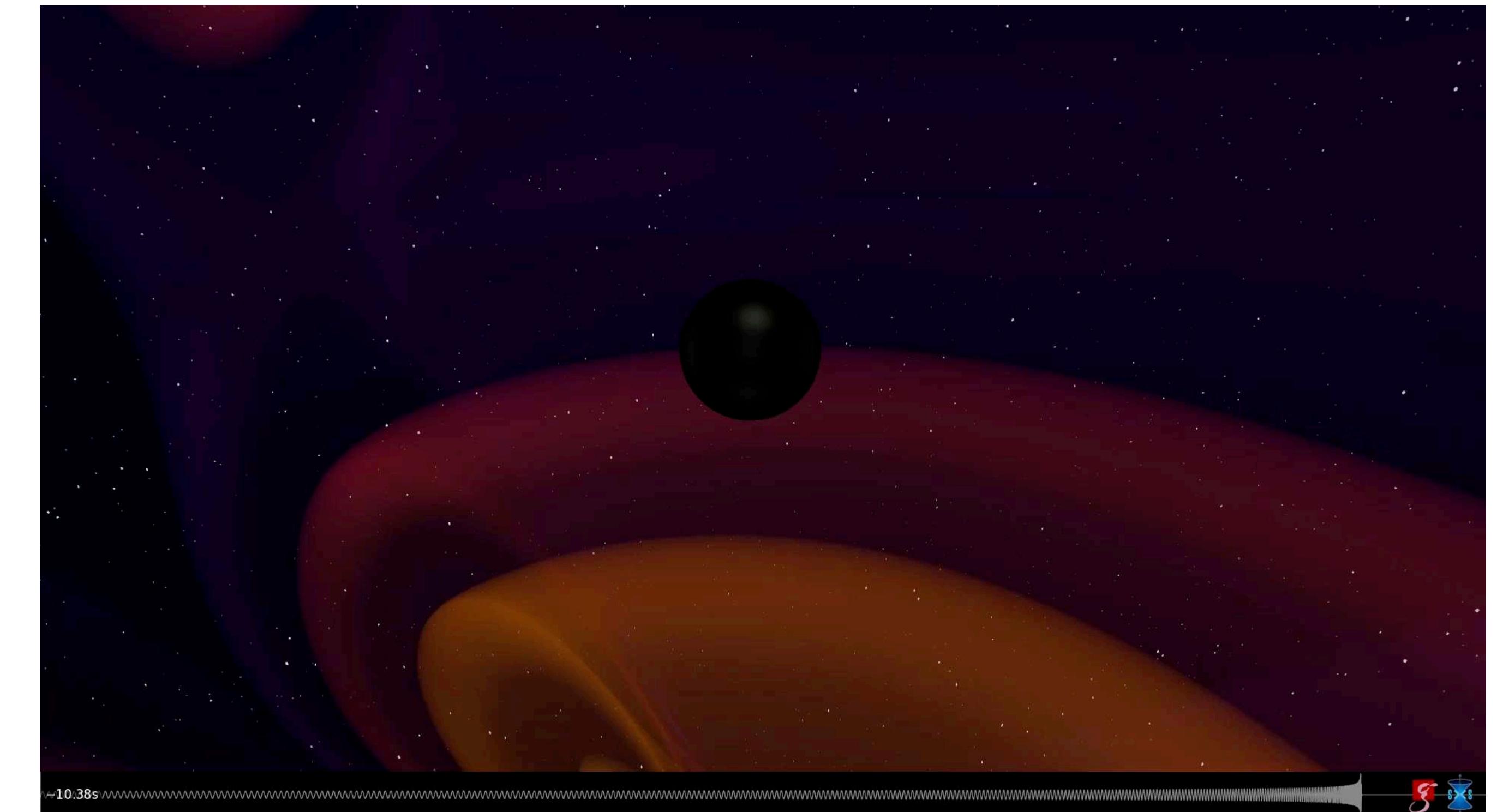
$$m_1 = 23.2^{+1.1}_{-1.0} M_{\odot} \quad m_2 = 2.59^{+0.08}_{-0.09} M_{\odot}$$



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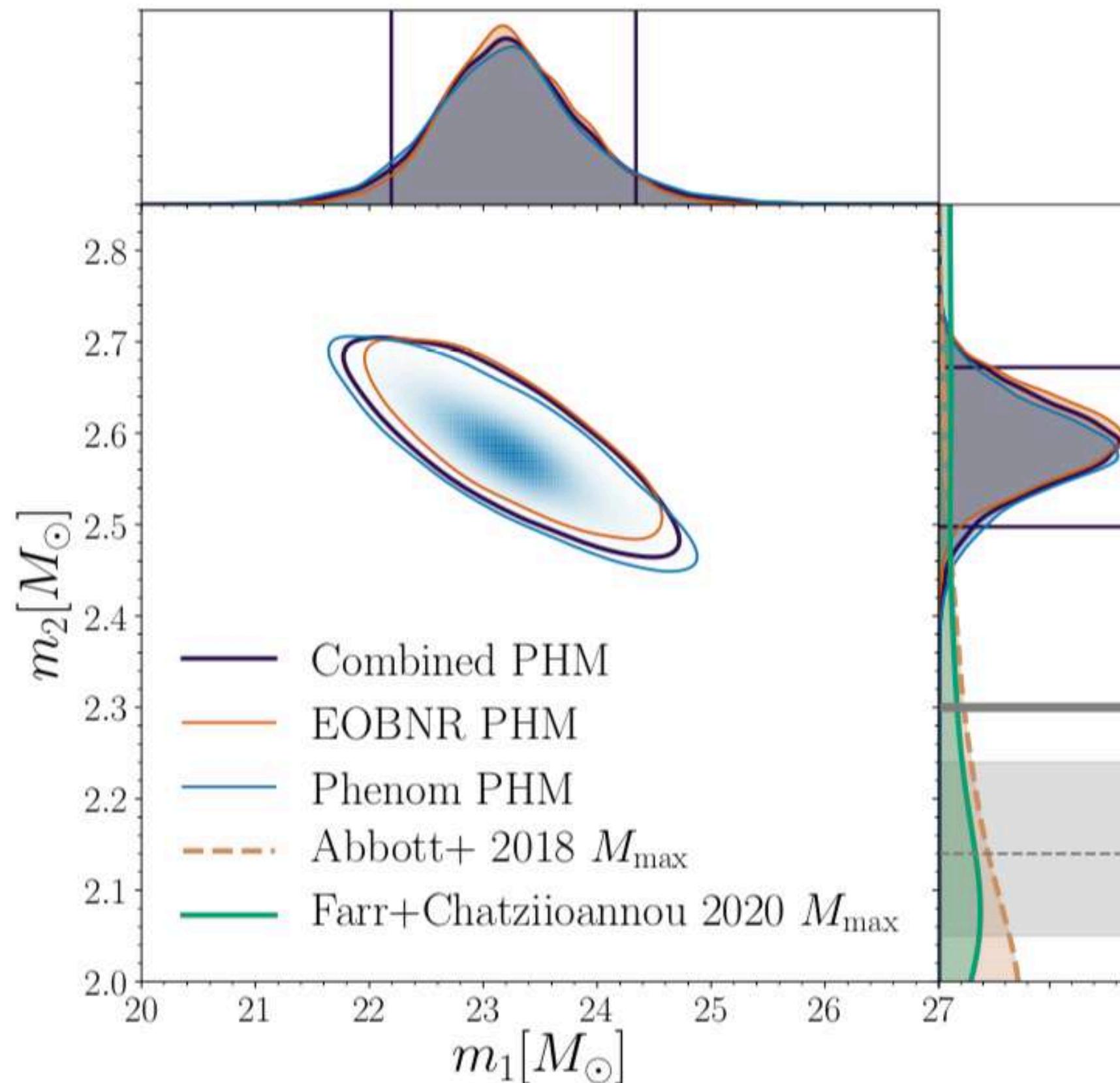
- The **more substructure and complexity** the binary has (e.g., masses or spins of BHs are different) **the richer is the spectrum of radiation** emitted.



(credit: Fischer, Pfeiffer, Ossokine & AB; SXS Collaboration)

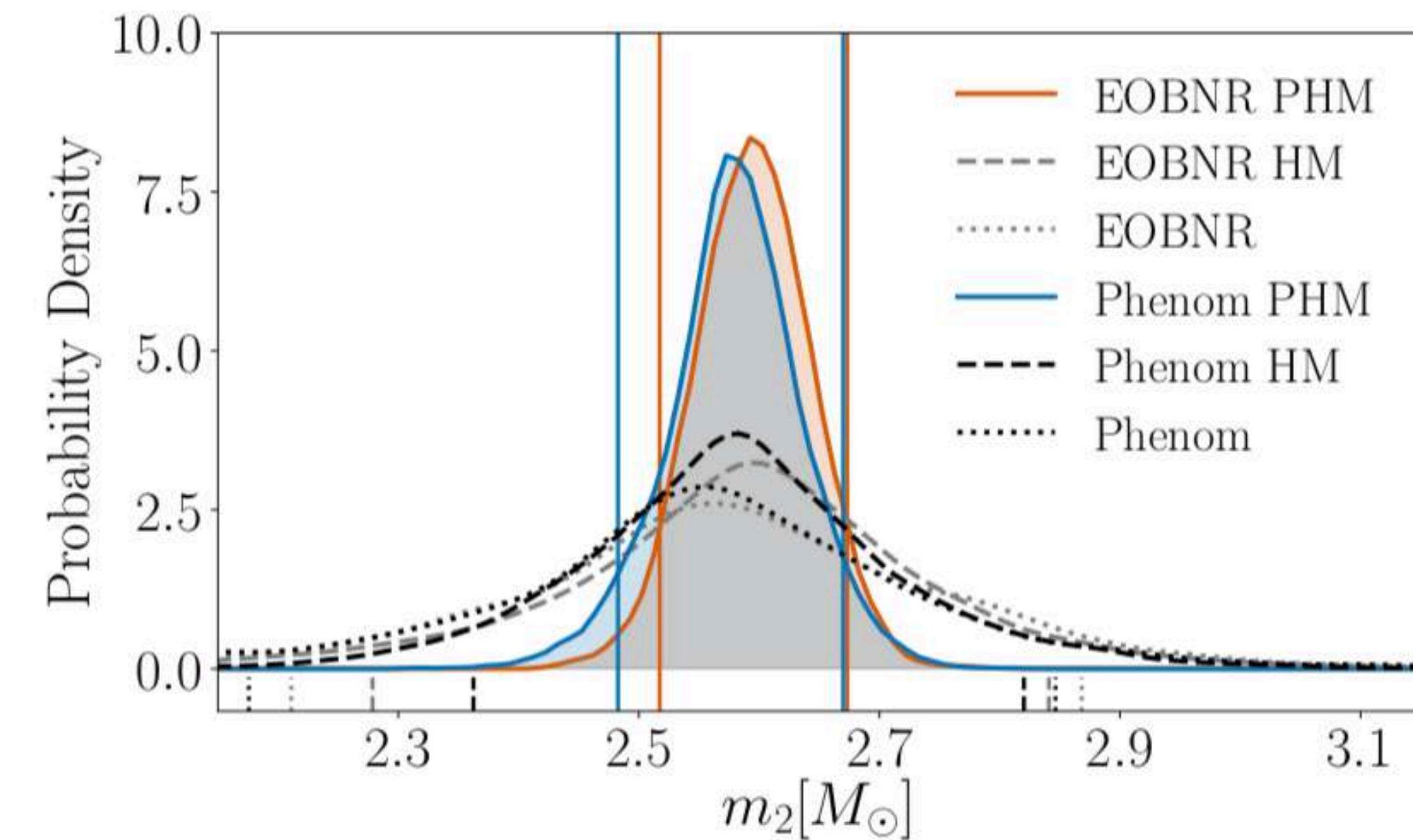
GW190814: a Binary with a Puzzling Companion

(Abbott et al. *ApJ Lett* 896 (2020) 2, L44)



- More massive BH rotated with $\chi_1 < 0.07$.
- Systematics due to waveform modeling smaller than statistical errors.

- Either the **largest neutron star or the smallest black hole**.



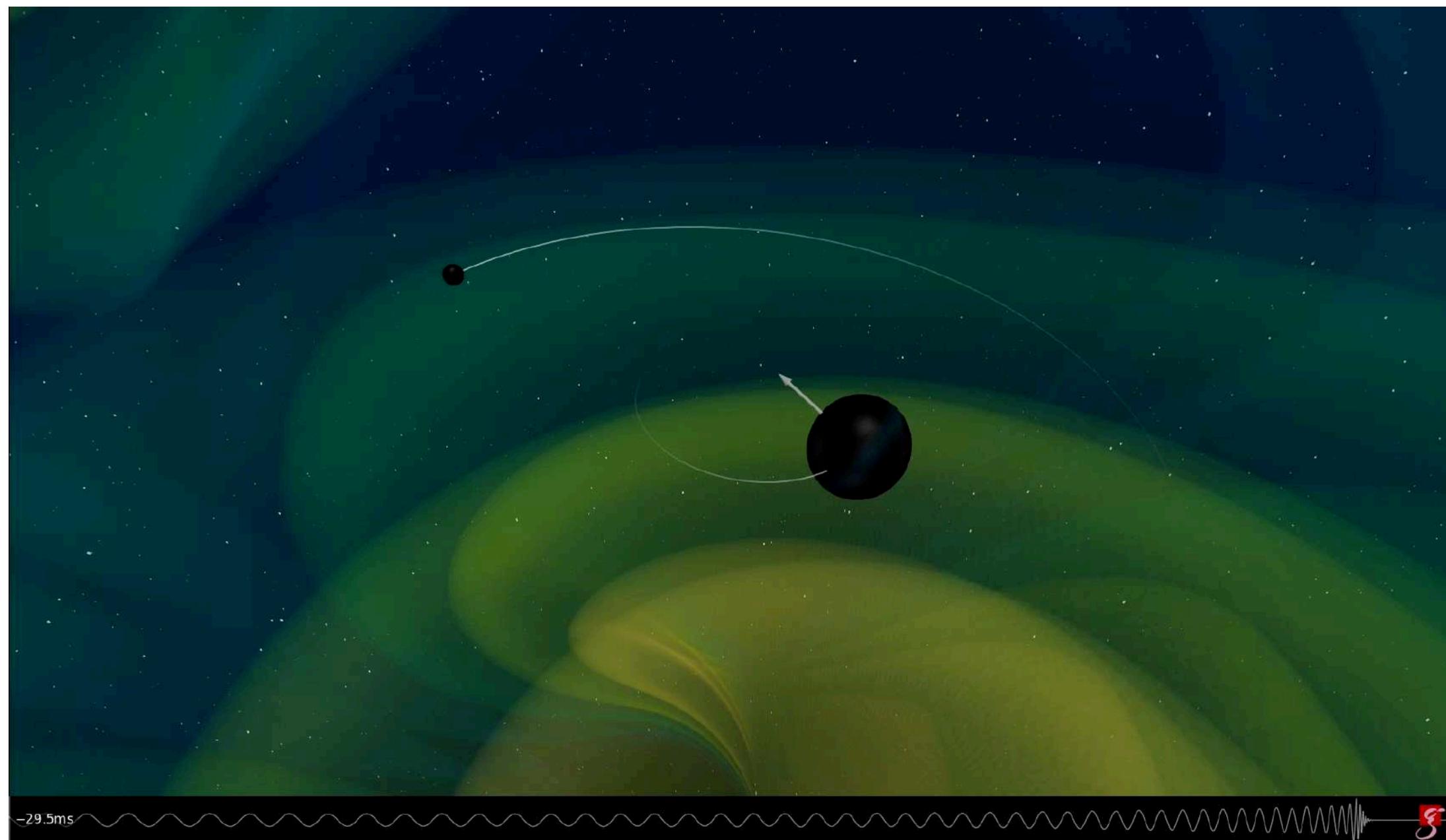
- Using waveform models with **higher-modes and spin-precession** constrains more tightly the secondary mass.

GW190412: a Signal Like None Before

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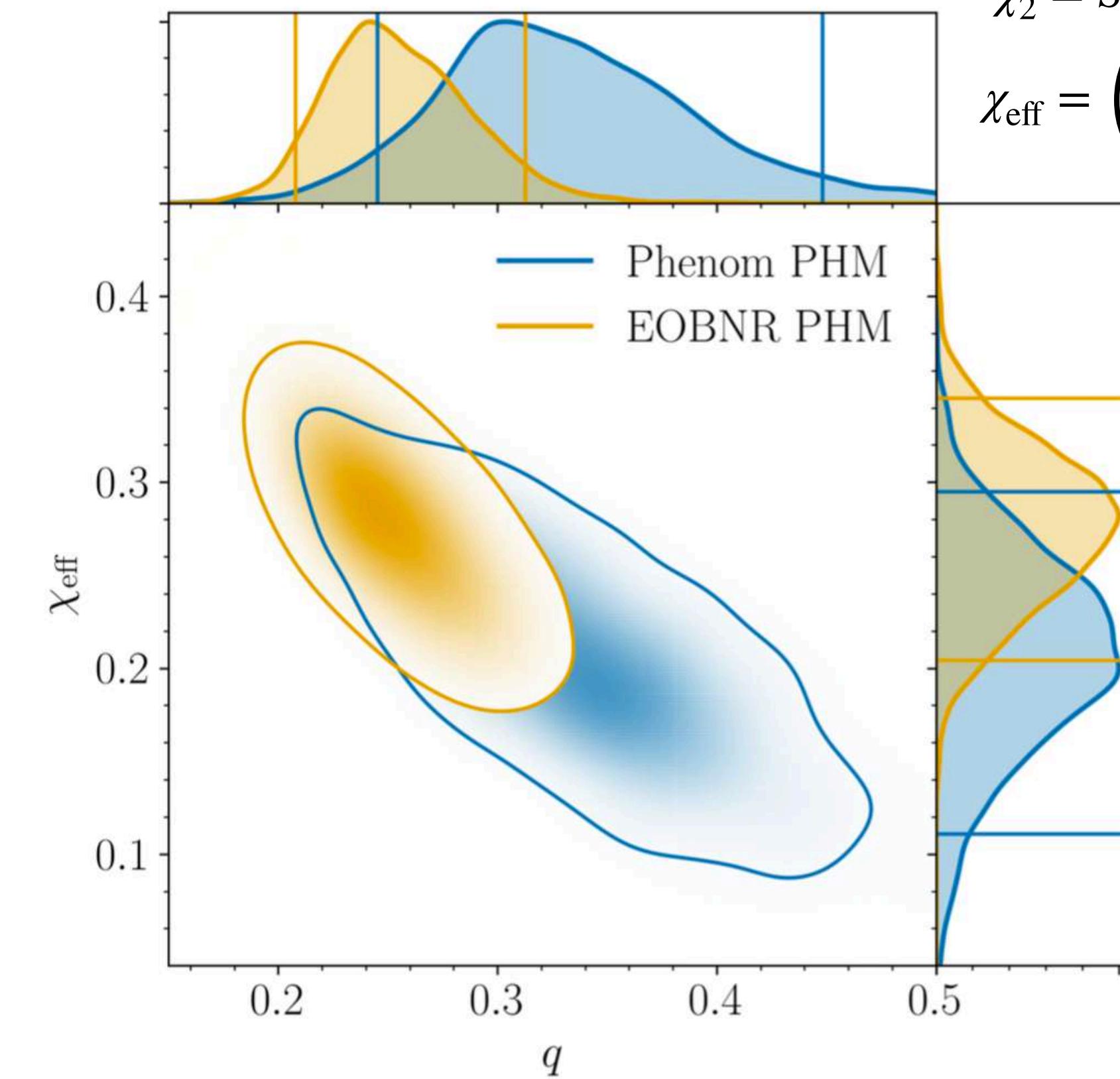
$$q = 0.28^{+0.12}_{-0.06} M_{\odot}$$

- Binary black hole with **mass asymmetry**, and more massive BH spinning at about $\chi_1 \sim 0.4$ with tilt angle $\theta_1 \sim 45^\circ$.



(credit: Fischer, Pfeiffer & AB; SXS Collaboration)

(Abbott et al. PRD 102 (2020) 4)



- More massive BH rotated with **spin** 0.17 – 0.59 at 90 % CI

$$q = m_1/m_2$$

$$\chi_1 = S_1/m_1^2$$

$$\chi_2 = S_2/m_2^2$$

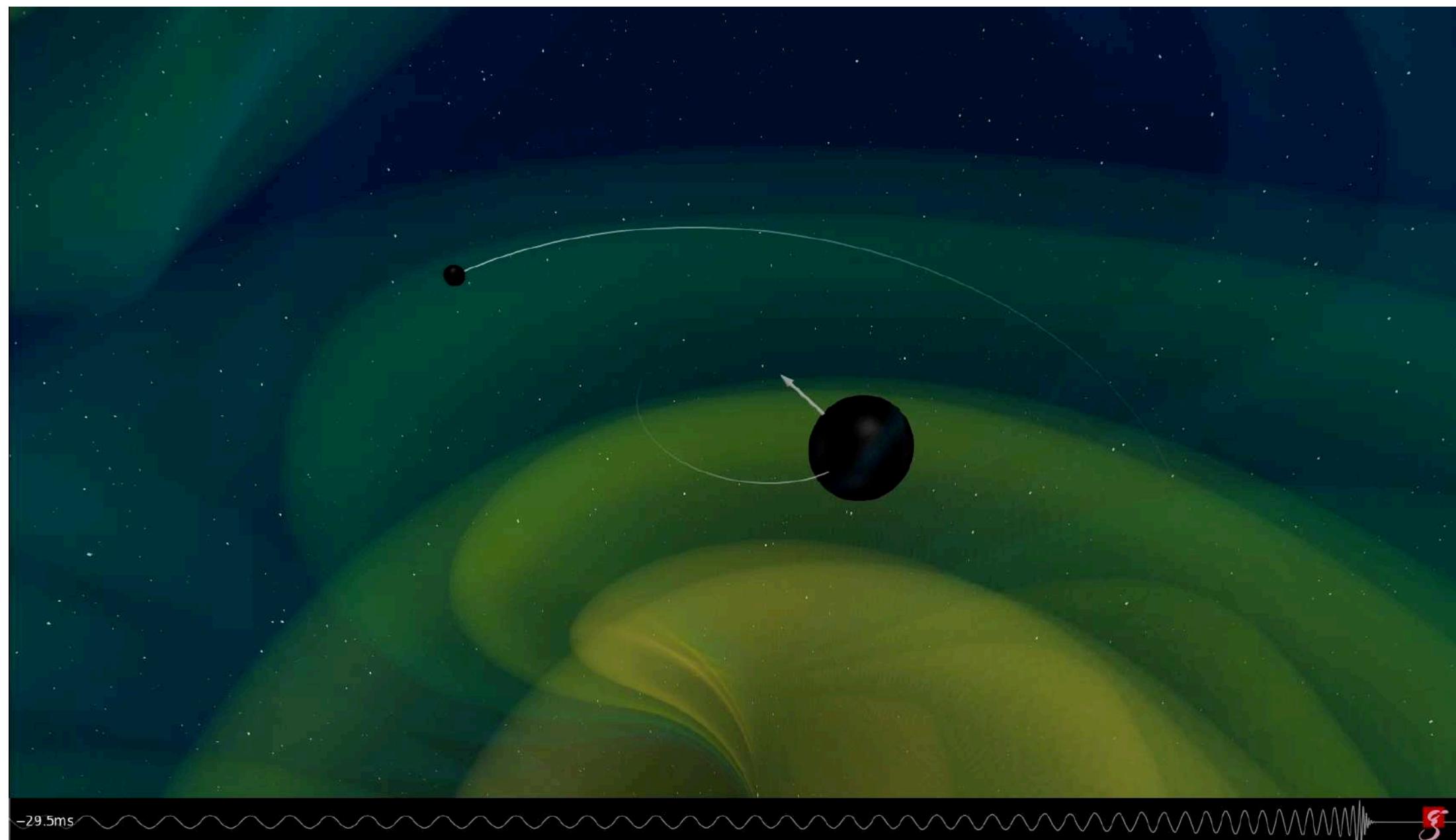
$$\chi_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{m_1}{M} \chi_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} \chi_2 \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}}$$

GW190412: a signal like none before

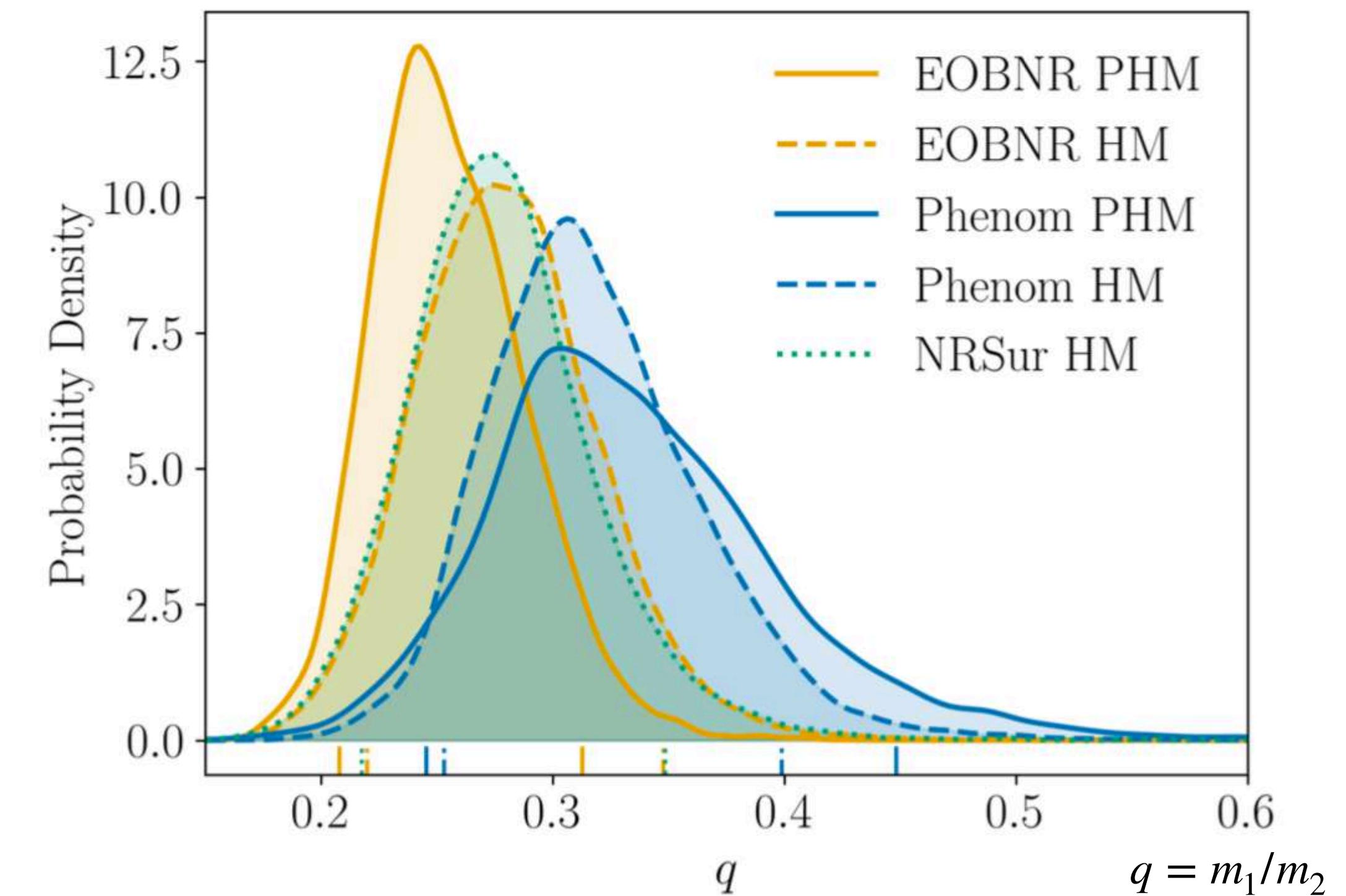
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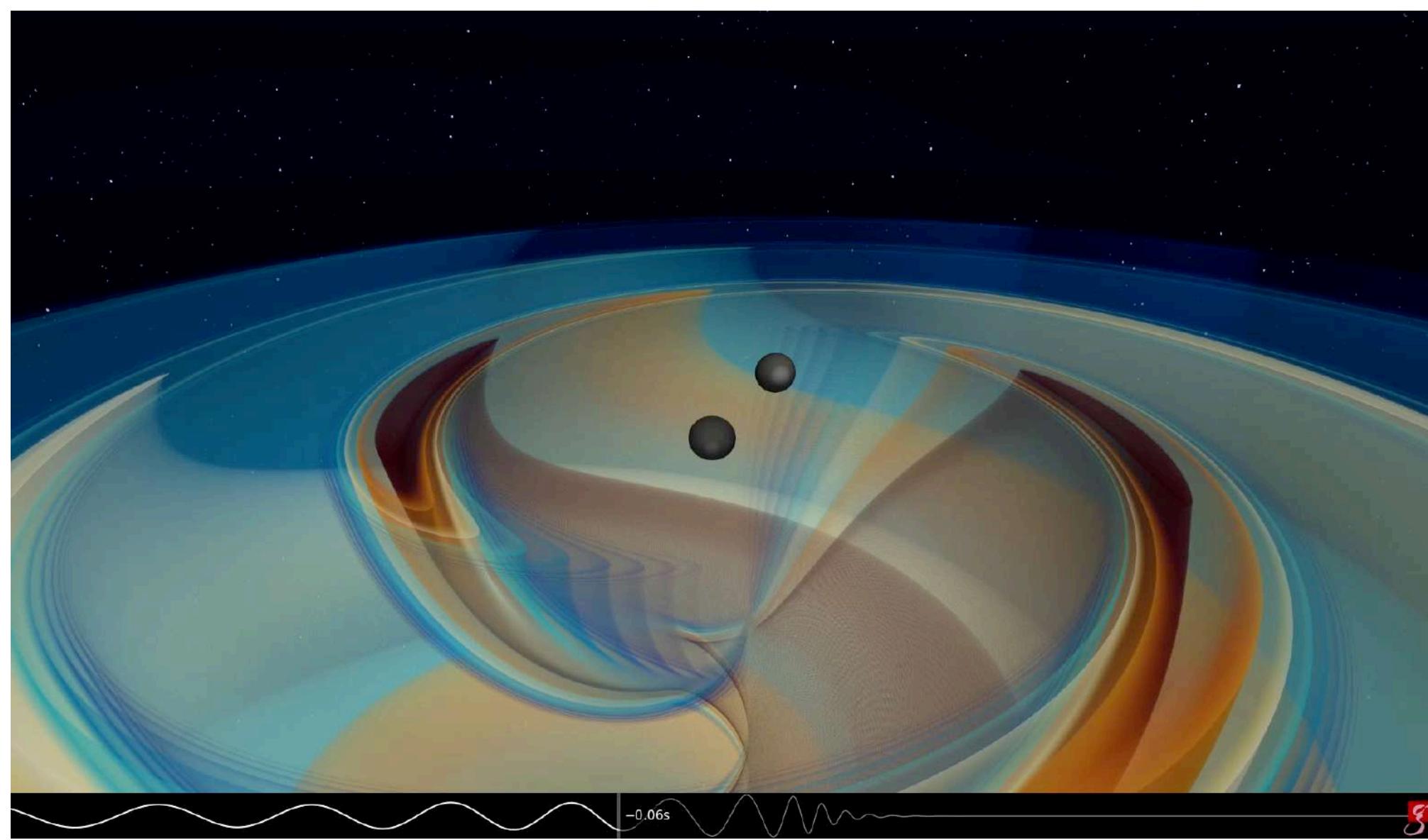
- Spin-precession and non-quadrupole modes enable tighter inferences
- Systematics due to waveform modeling are not negligible when spins and higher modes are relevant.

GW190521: a signal produced by the largest BHs so far

(Abbott et al. PRL 125 (2020) 10, ApJ Lett 900 (2020) L13)

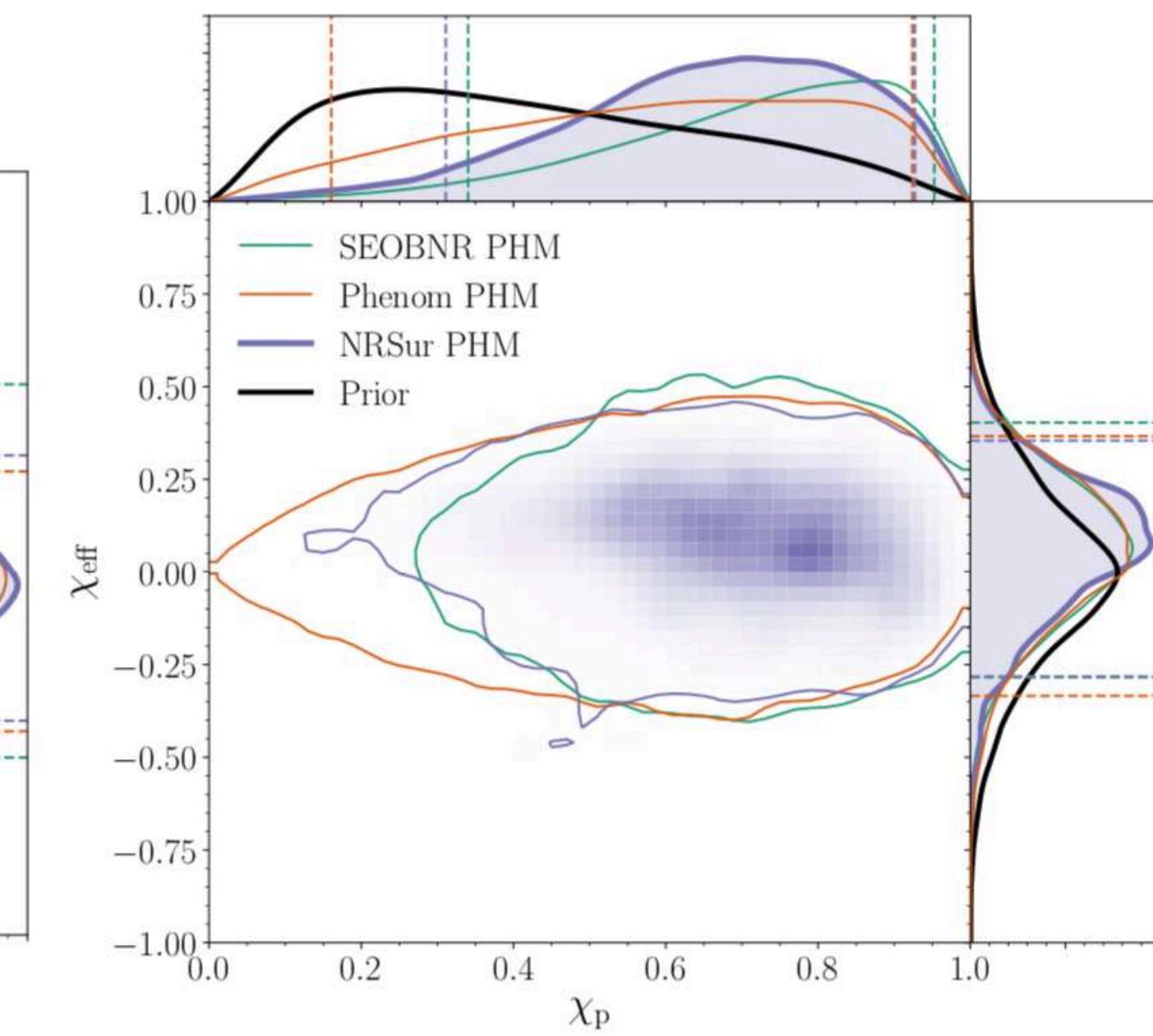
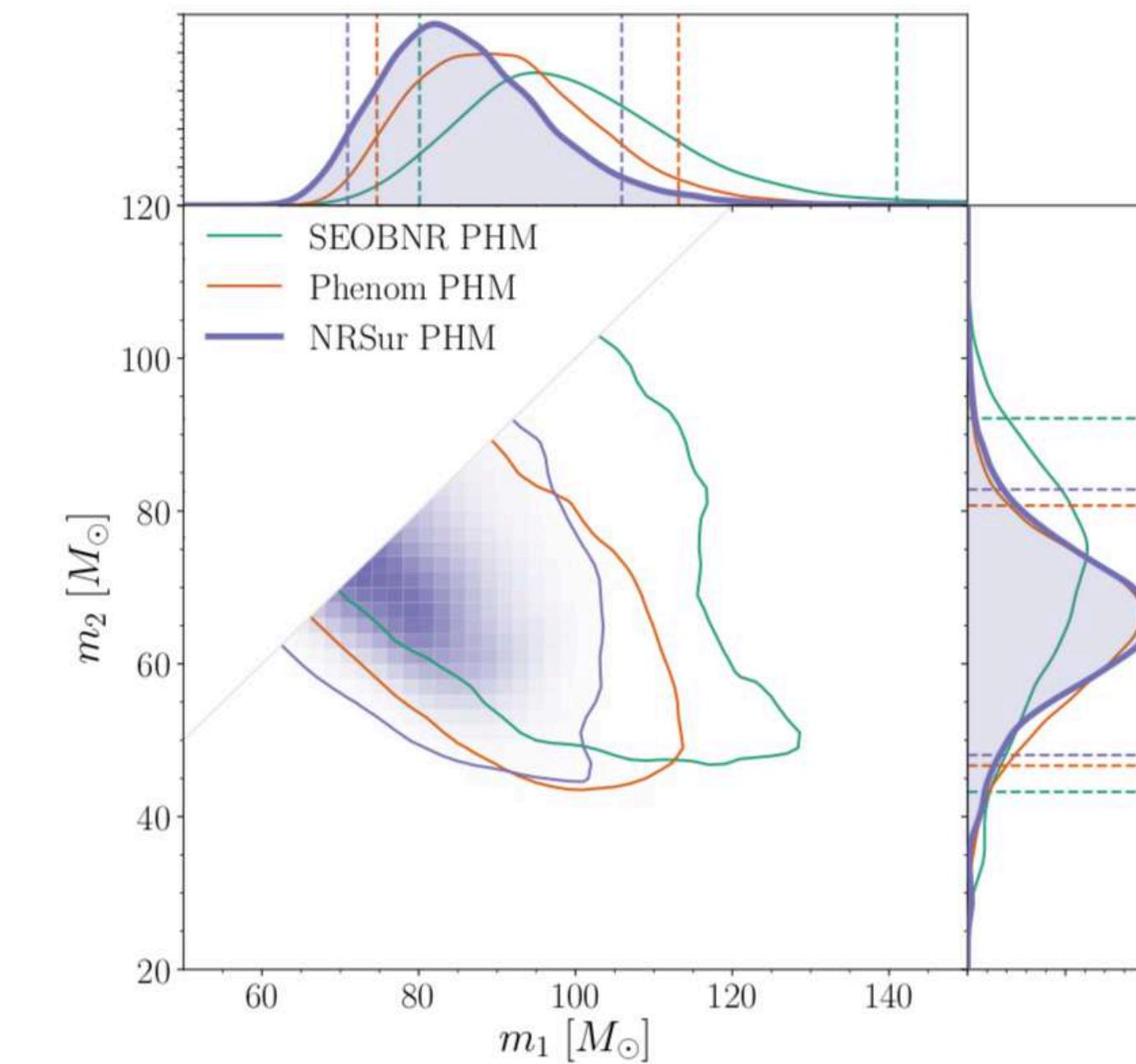
$$m_1 = 91.4^{+29.3}_{-17.5} M_{\odot} \quad m_2 = 66.8^{+20.7}_{-20.7} M_{\odot}$$

- Likely, BHs **too massive** to have been formed **from a collapsed star, because of Pair-Instability SN.**



(credit: Fischer, Pfeiffer & AB; SXS Collaboration)

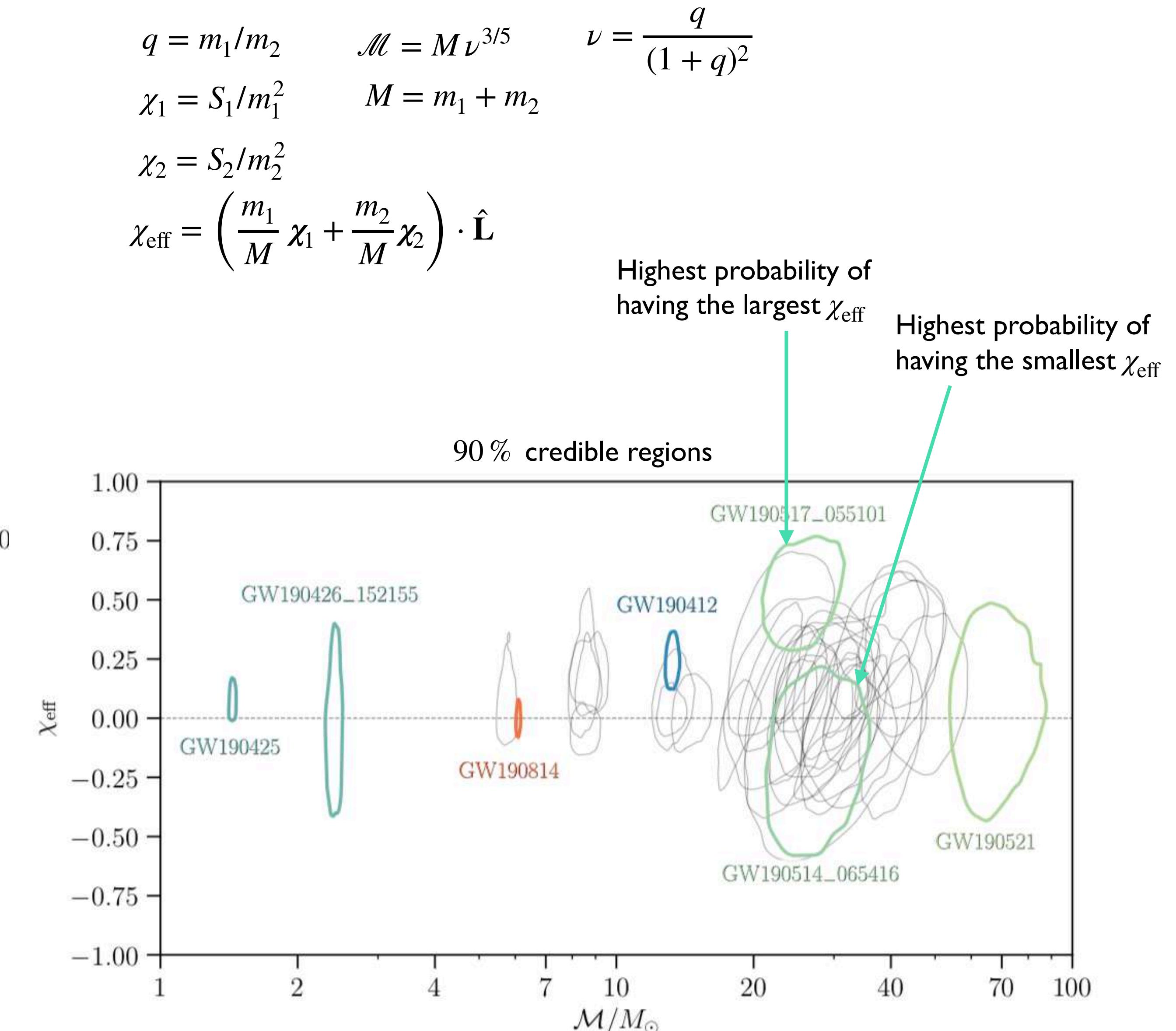
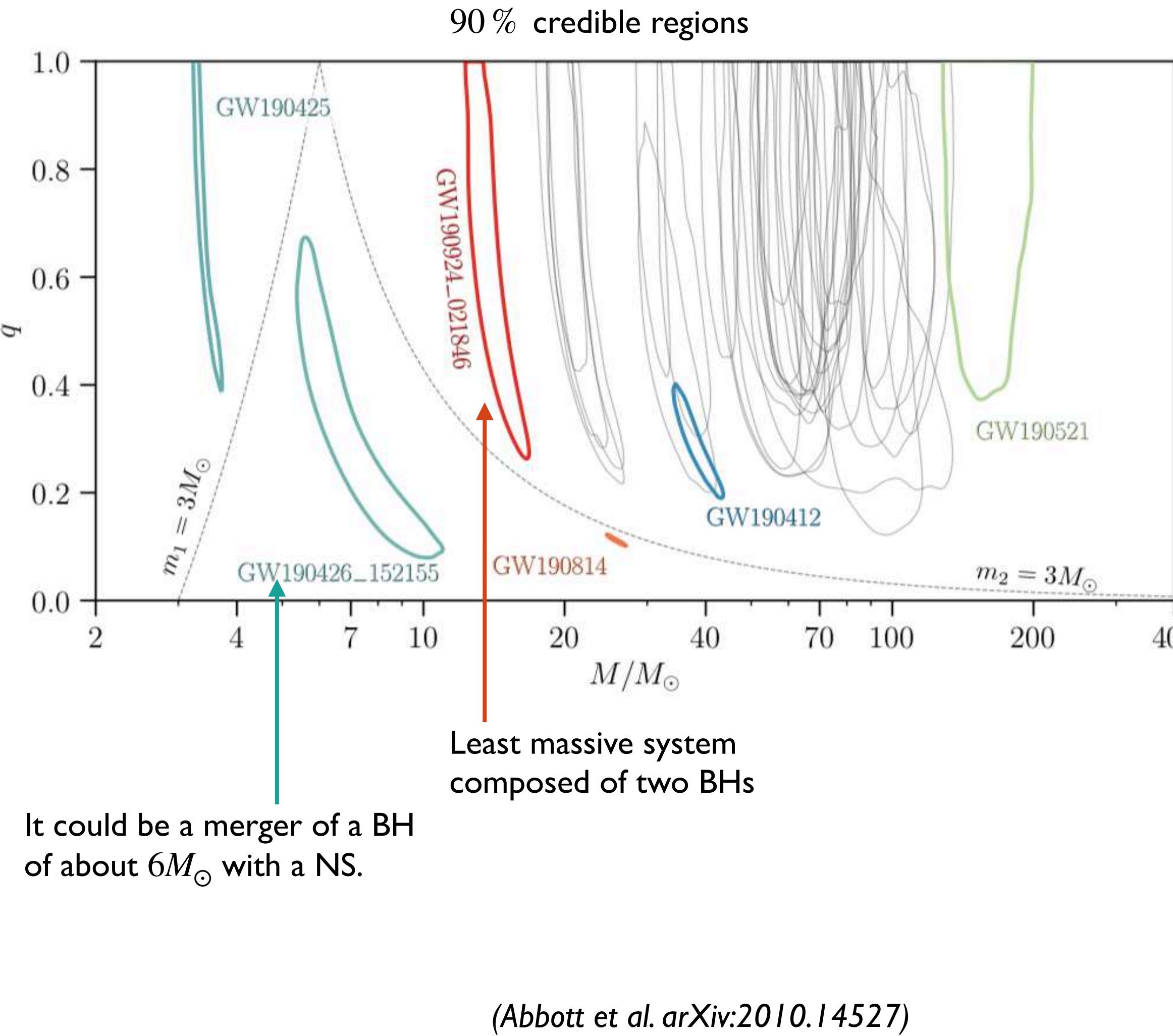
$$\begin{aligned} q &= m_1/m_2 \\ \chi_1 &= S_1/m_1^2 \\ \chi_2 &= S_2/m_2^2 \\ \chi_{\text{eff}} &= \left(\frac{m_1}{M} \chi_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} \chi_2 \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}} \end{aligned}$$



- **Systematics due to waveform modeling are not negligible when spin precession and higher modes are relevant, but they are still subdominant with respect to statistical uncertainty.**



Gravitational-Wave Transient Catalog 2: Source Properties

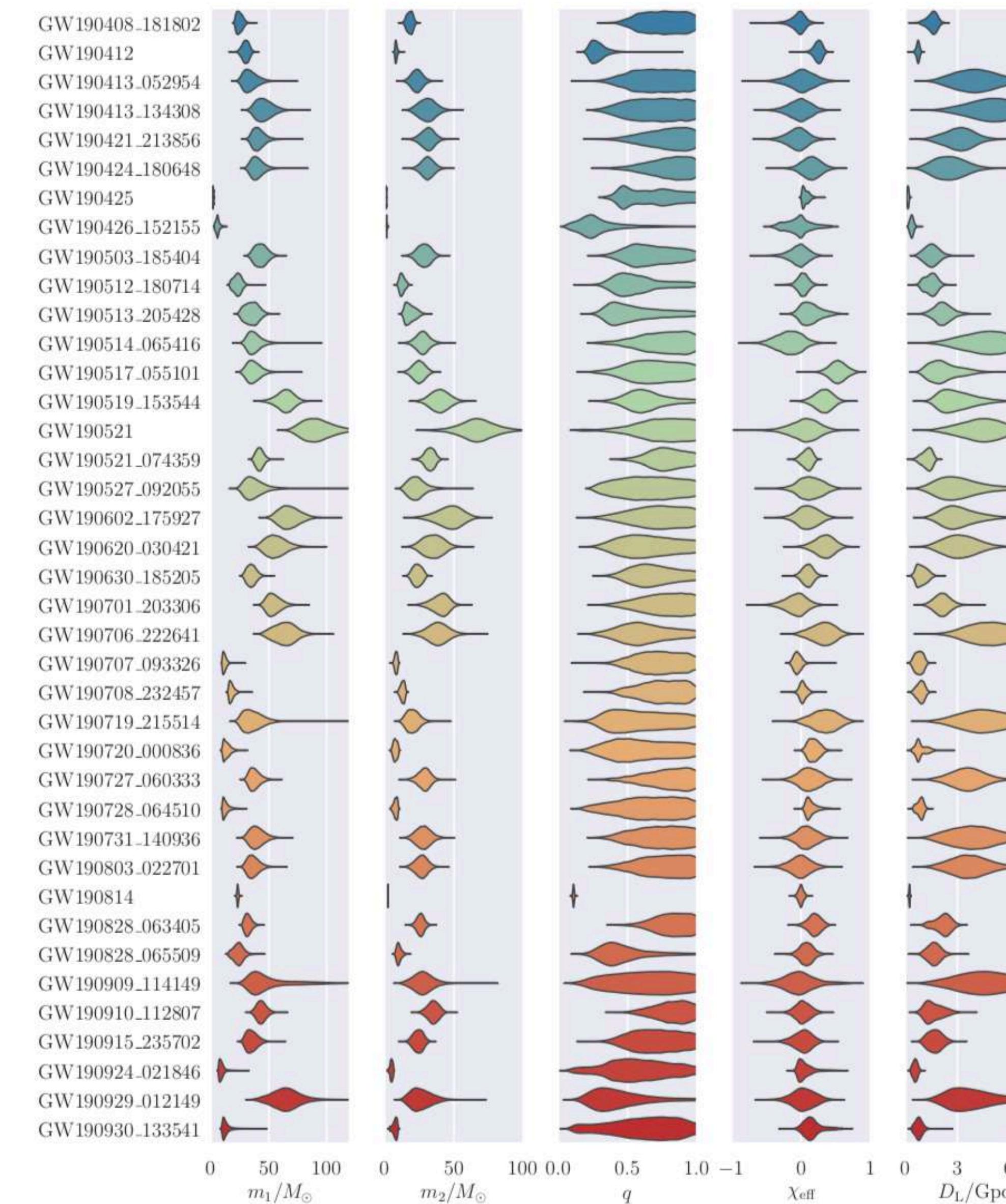


$$q = m_1/m_2$$

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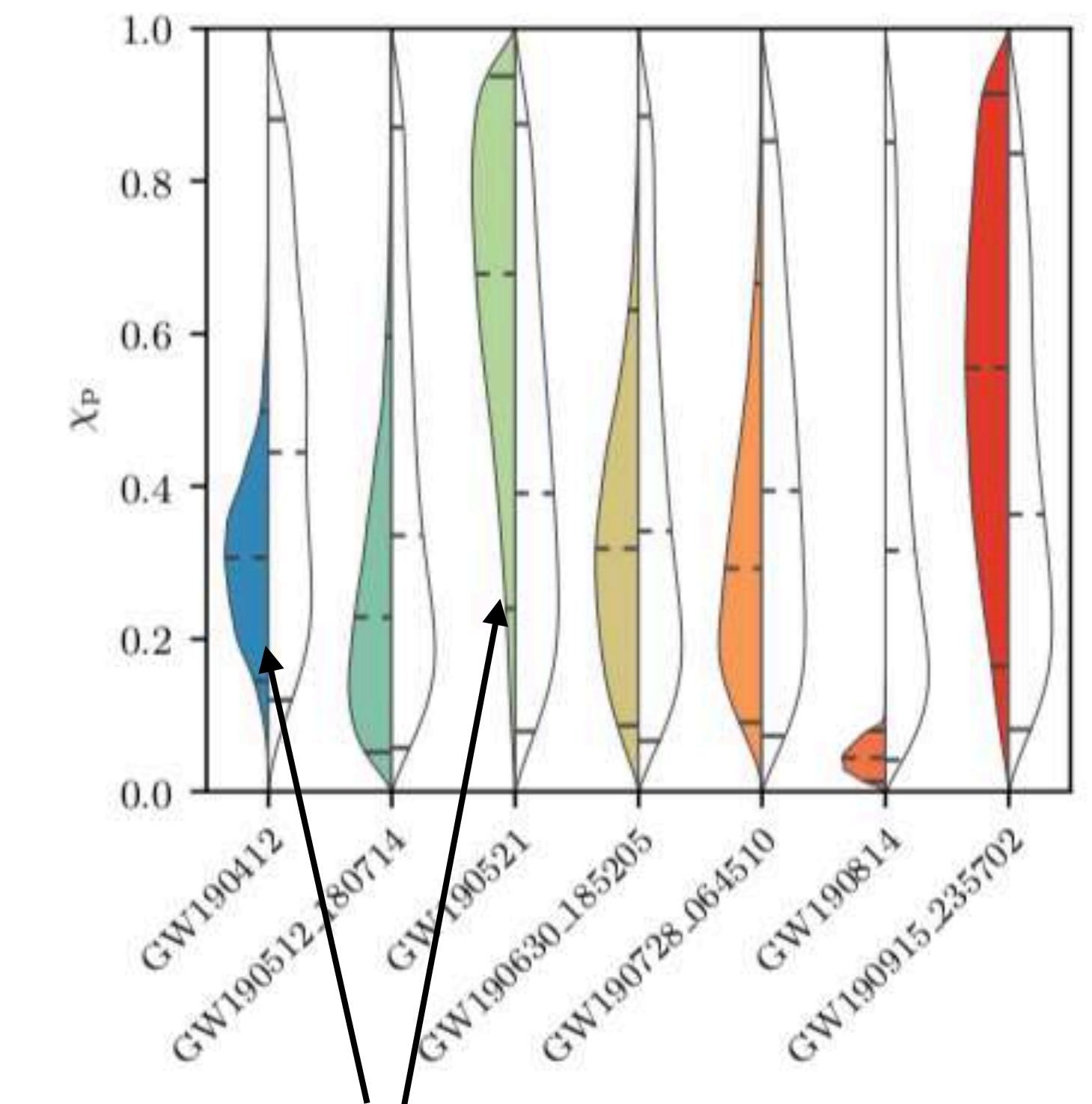
$$\chi_{\text{eff}} = \left(\frac{m_1}{M} \chi_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} \chi_2 \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}}$$

- Higher total masses than GWTC-1
- Three binaries with component mass in the lower mass gap $\sim 2.5 - 5M_\odot$
- Three binaries with component mass larger than $\sim 45M_\odot$, i.e. in pair-instability SN mass gap
- At 95 % credibility, ten sources have $\chi_{\text{eff}} > 0$



(Abbott et al. arXiv:2010.14527)

χ_p measures the spin components on the orbital plane

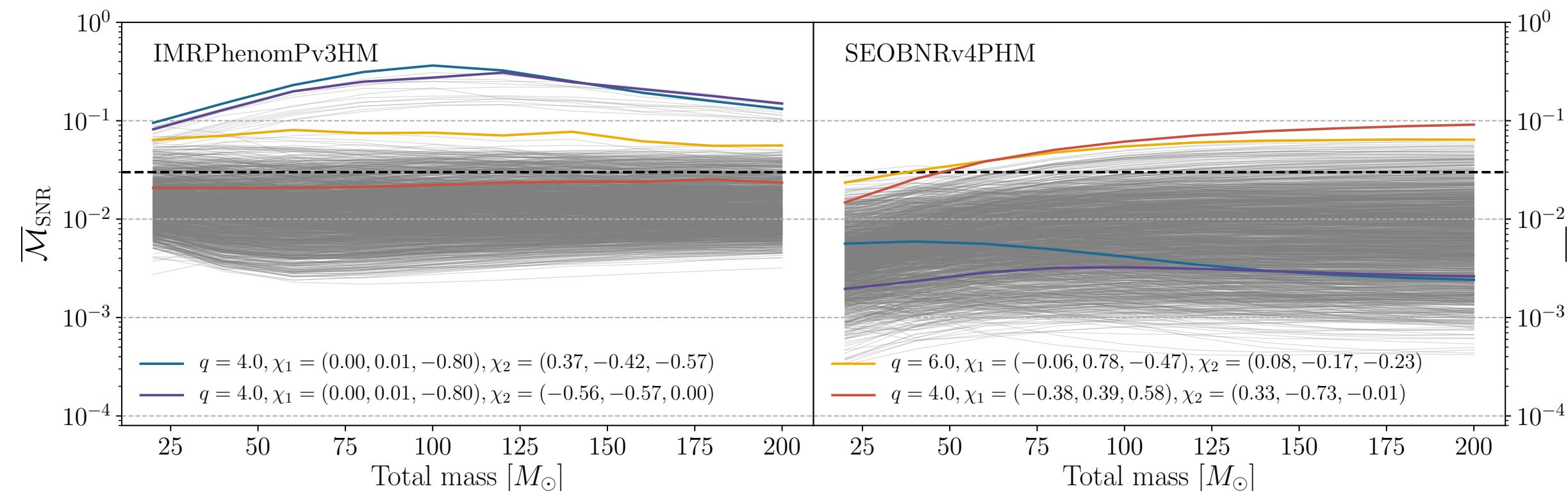


- Posterior distributions constrained away from zero: mild sign of precession.

(Ossokine, AB, Marsat, Cotesta et al. 20)

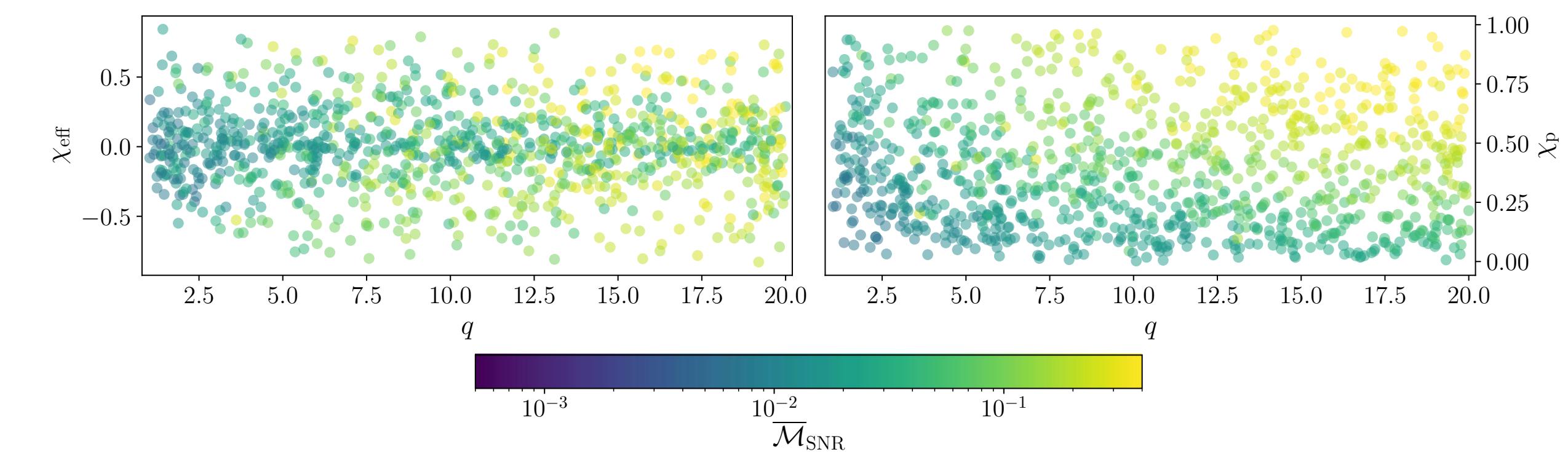
- Mismatch against **SXS NR public catalog (1344)** of multipolar spin-precessing waveforms.
- Waveform models are **calibrated** in the non-precessing sector.
- Mismatch **between two multipolar spin-precessing** waveforms.

unfaithfulness of SEOBNRv4PHM & IMRPhenomPv3HM against NR



IMRPhenomPv3HM (Khan et al. 19)

unfaithfulness between SEOBNRv4PHM & IMRPhenomPv3HM



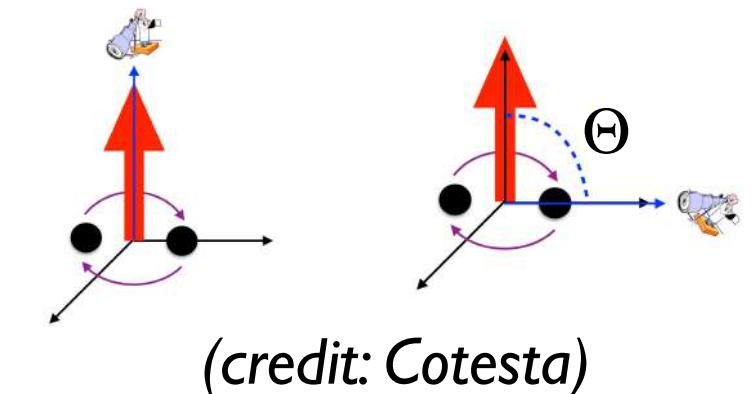
- Waveform models differ the most for **large mass ratios** (> 10) and **large spins** (> 0.6) and **stronger precession**.

(Ossokine, AB, Marsat, Cotesta et al. 20)

NR signal is injected in O4 run:

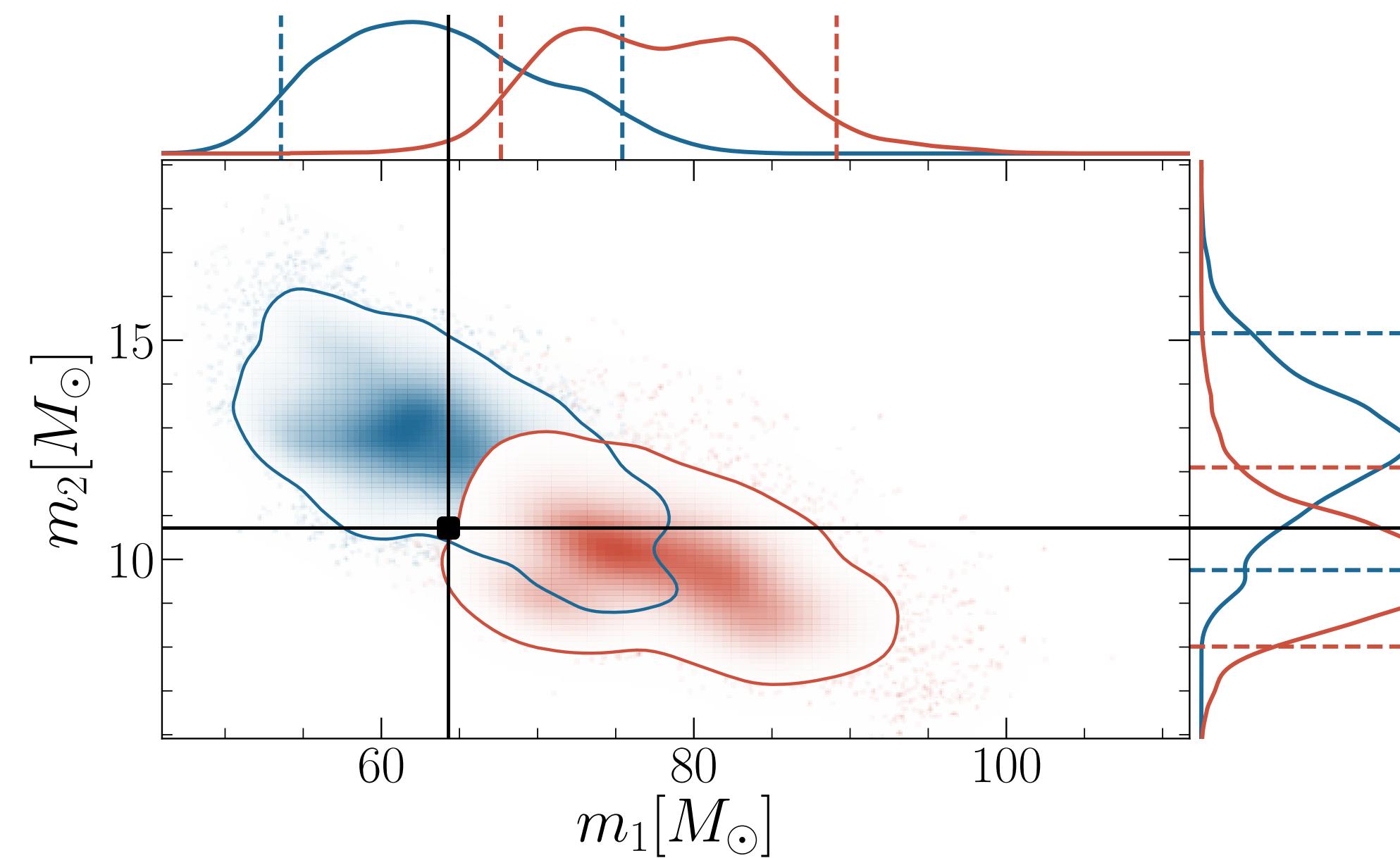
$M = 76M_{\odot}$, $q = 6$, $\chi_1 = (-0.06, 0.78, -0.47)$, $\chi_2 = (0.08, -0.17, -0.23)$

$$h_+(t; \Theta, \varphi) - i h_\times(t; \Theta, \varphi) = \sum_{\ell=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} {}_{-2}Y_{\ell m}(\Theta, \varphi) h_{\ell m}(t)$$



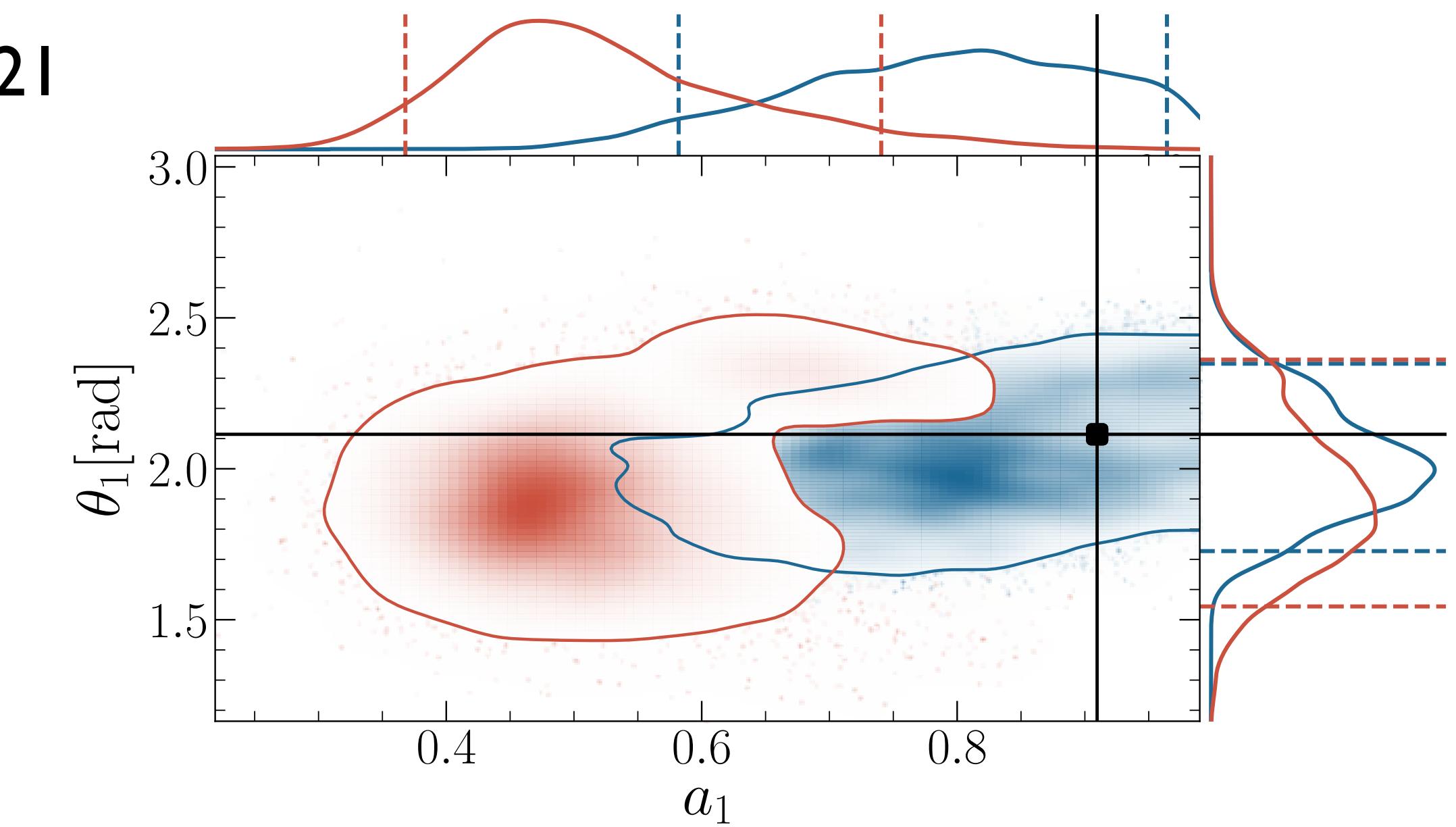
edge on: $\Theta = \pi/2$

SEOBNRv4PHM unfaithfulness = 4.4 %



SNR = 21

IMRPhenomPv3HM unfaithfulness = 8.8 %



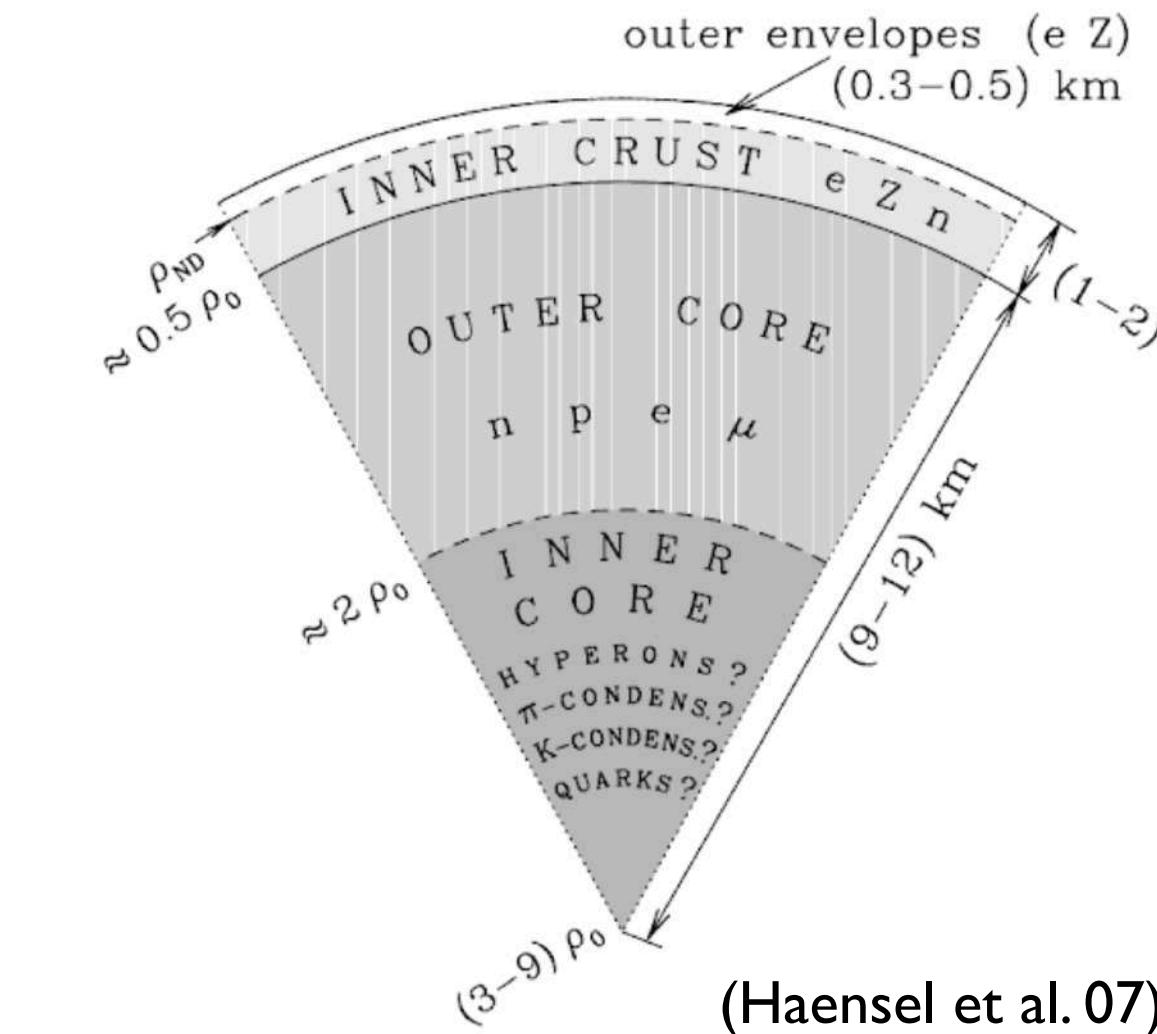
(see also Pürrer and Haster 20)

— SEOBNRv4PHM — IMRPhenomPv3HM

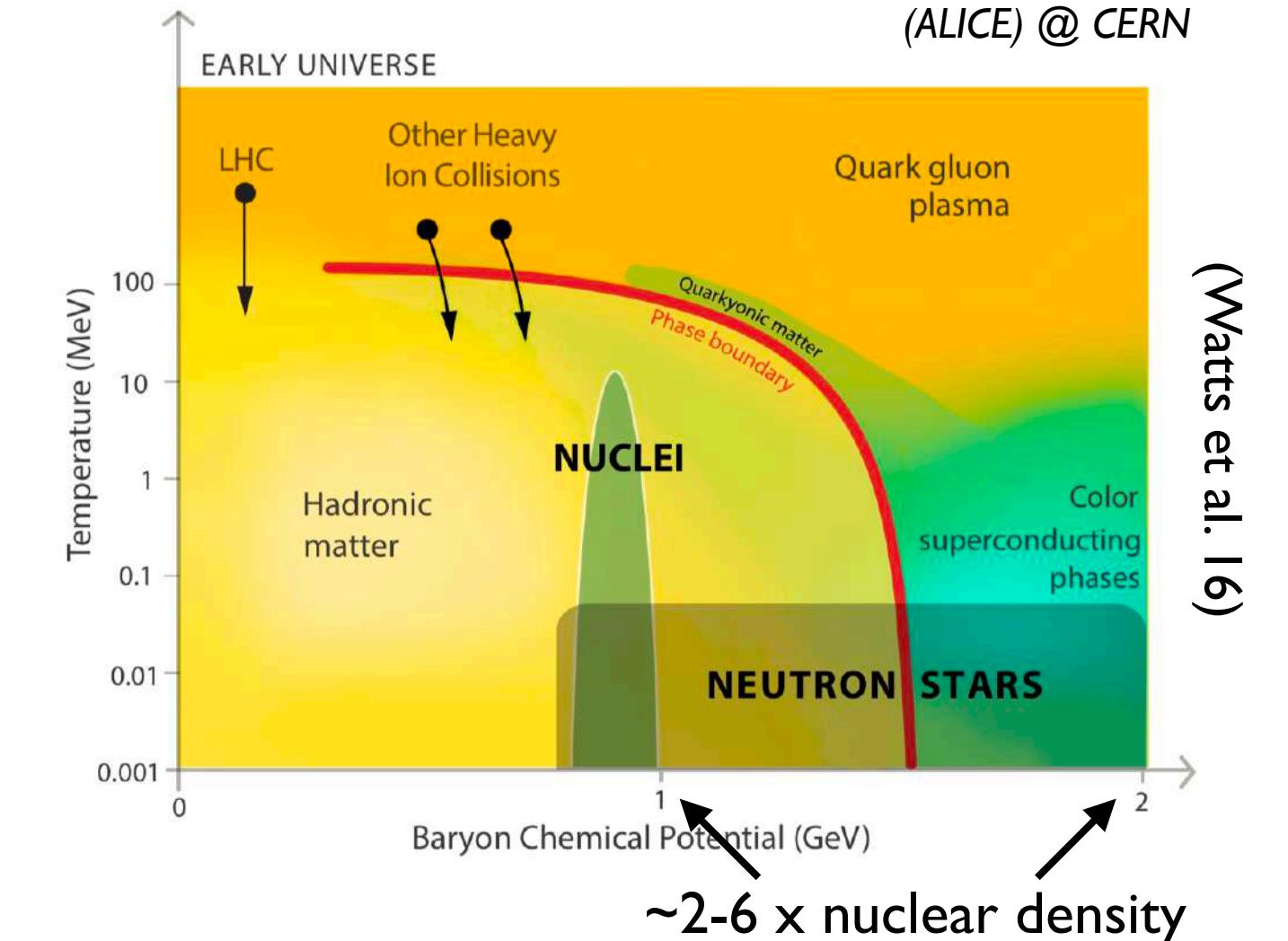
Probing Extreme-Matter with Gravitational Waves

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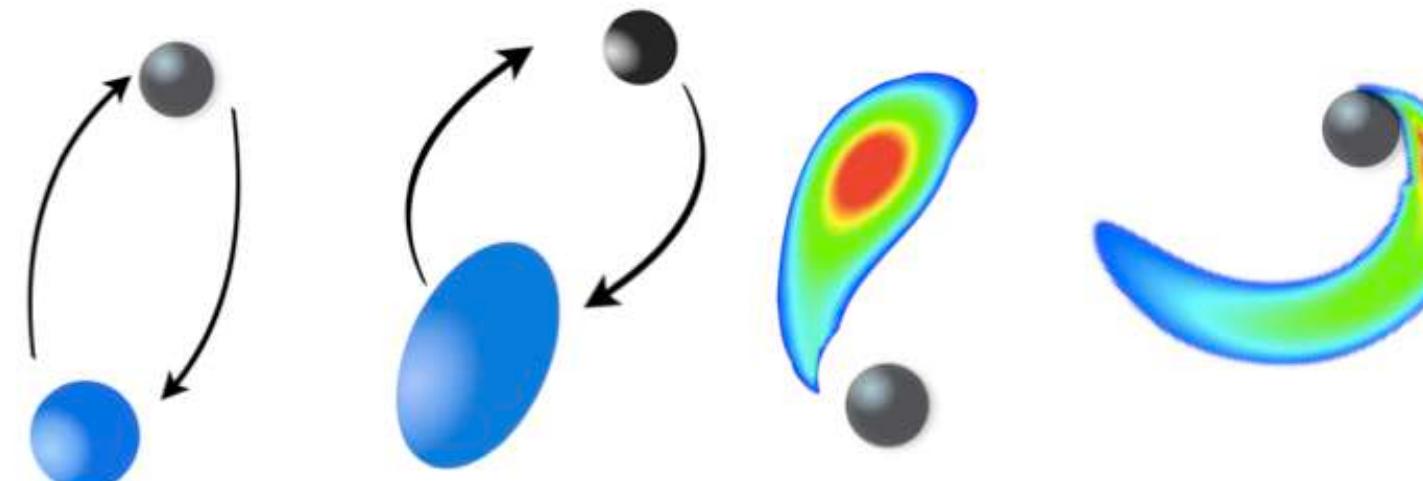
- mass: $1 - 3 M_{\text{Sun}}$
 - radius: $9 - 15 \text{ km}$
 - inner core density $> 2 \times (2.8 \times 10^{14}) \text{ g/cm}^3$
 - magnetic field: $\sim 10^{15} \times @\text{Earth}$
 - surface temperature: $\sim 10^3 \times @\text{Earth}$
 - pressure: $\sim 10^{27} \times @\text{Earth}$
- nuclear density



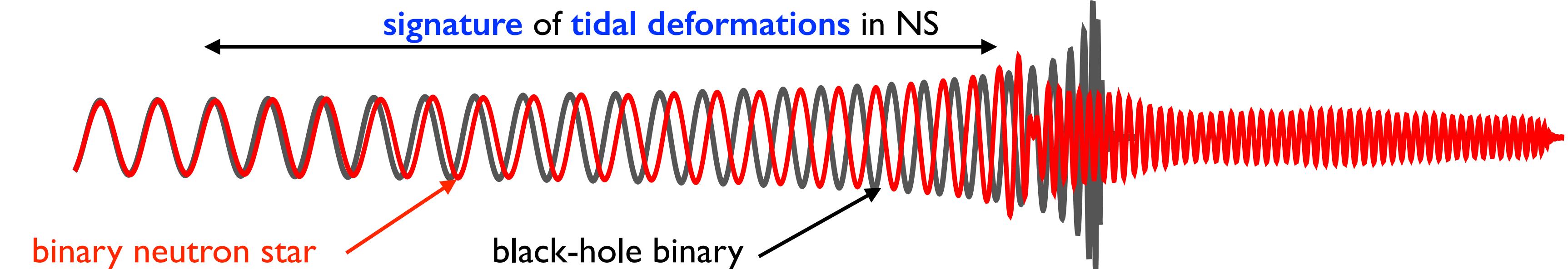
- **Conjectured states of matter.**



- What is the **internal structure** and **composition** of **neutron stars**?



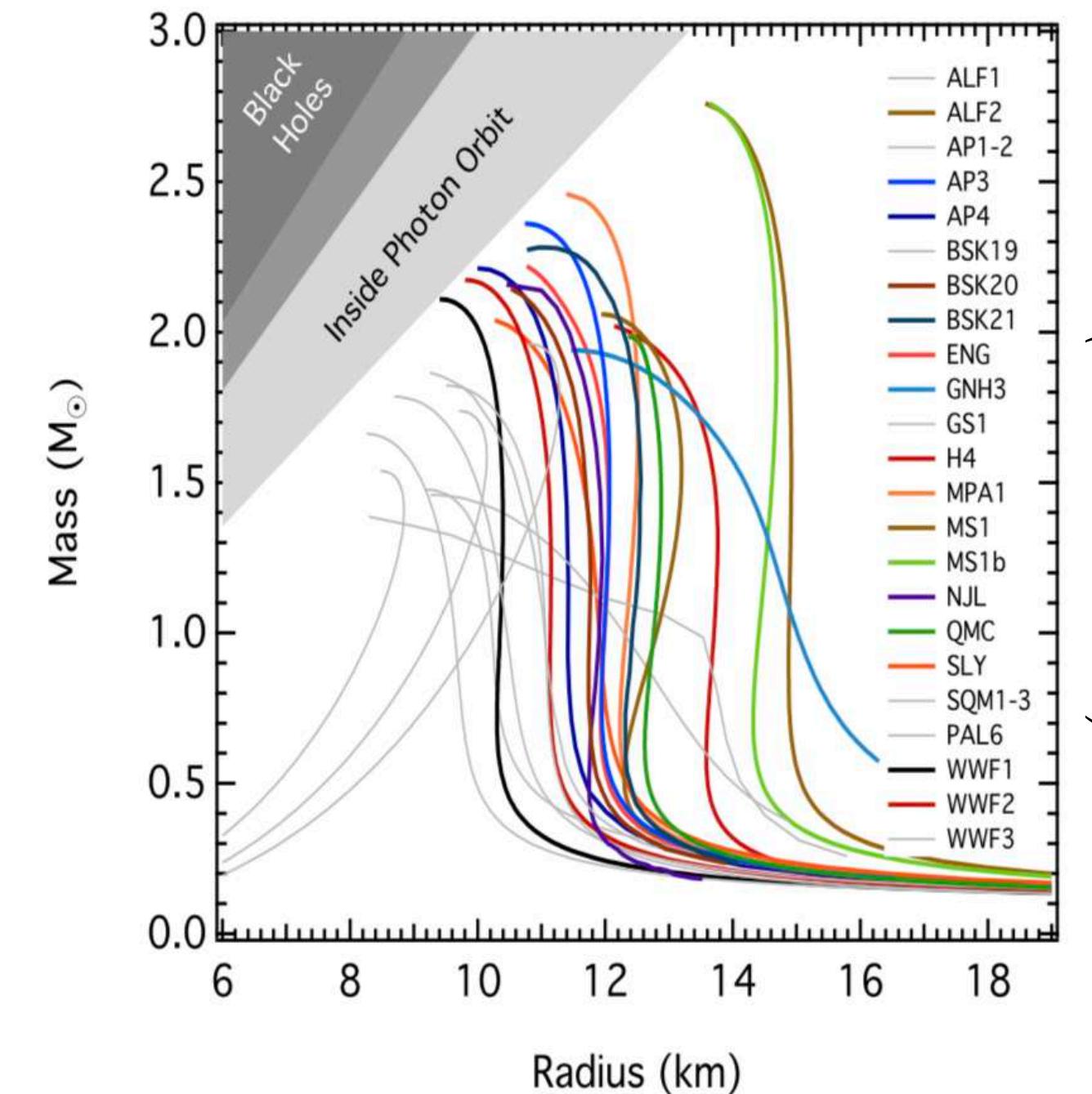
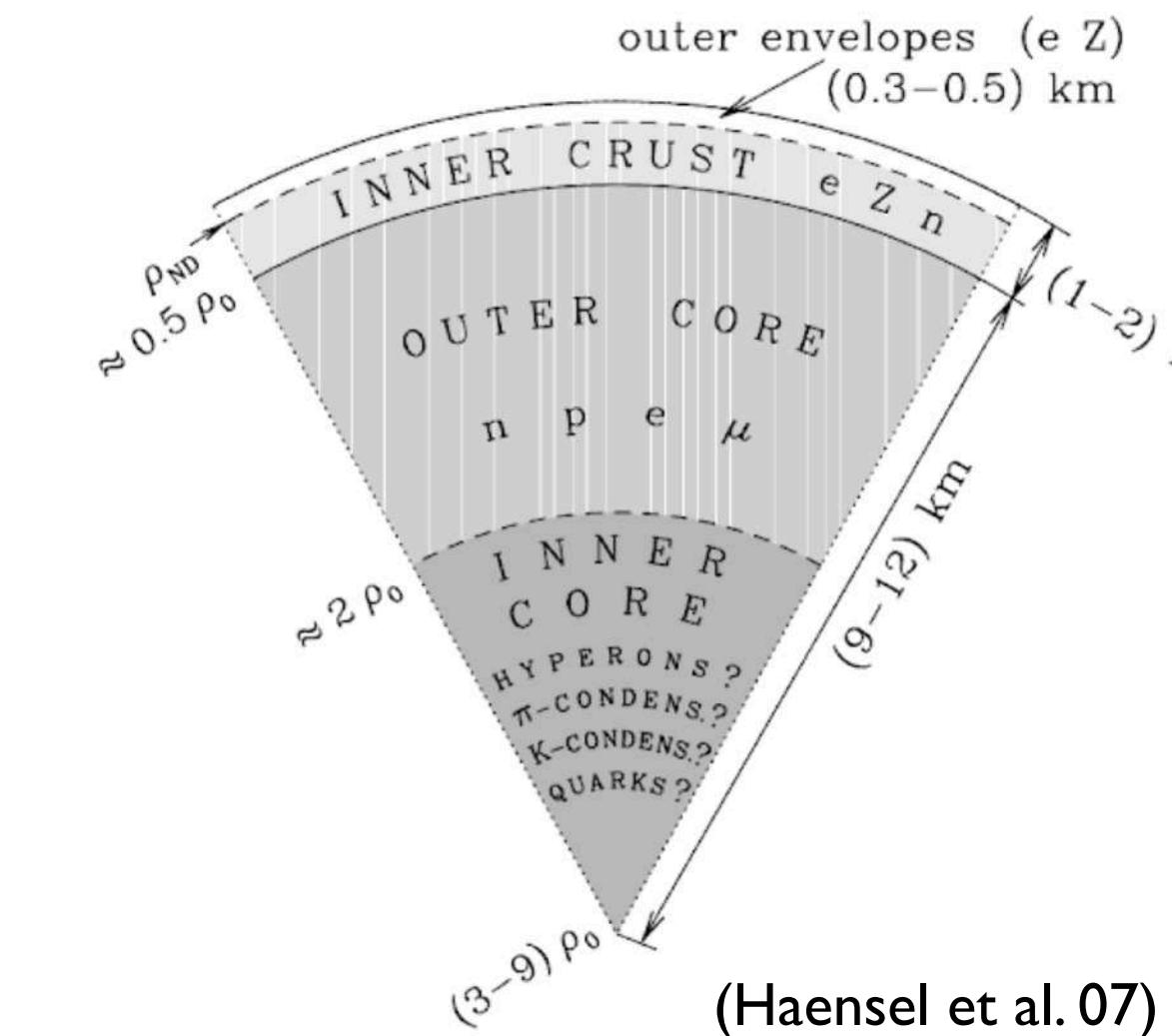
(credit: Hinderer)



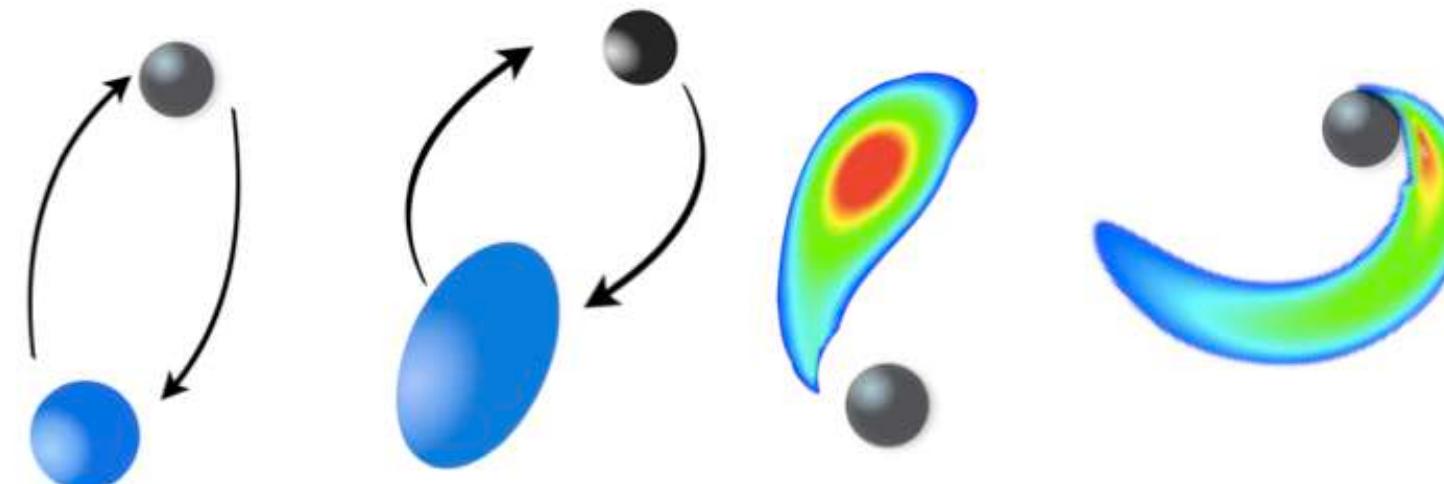
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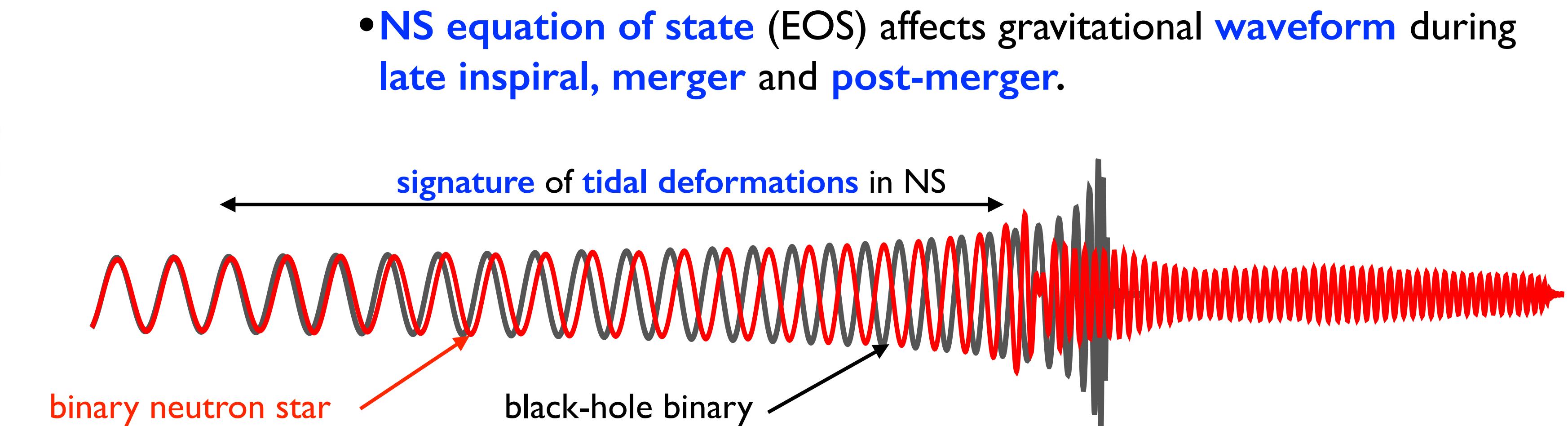
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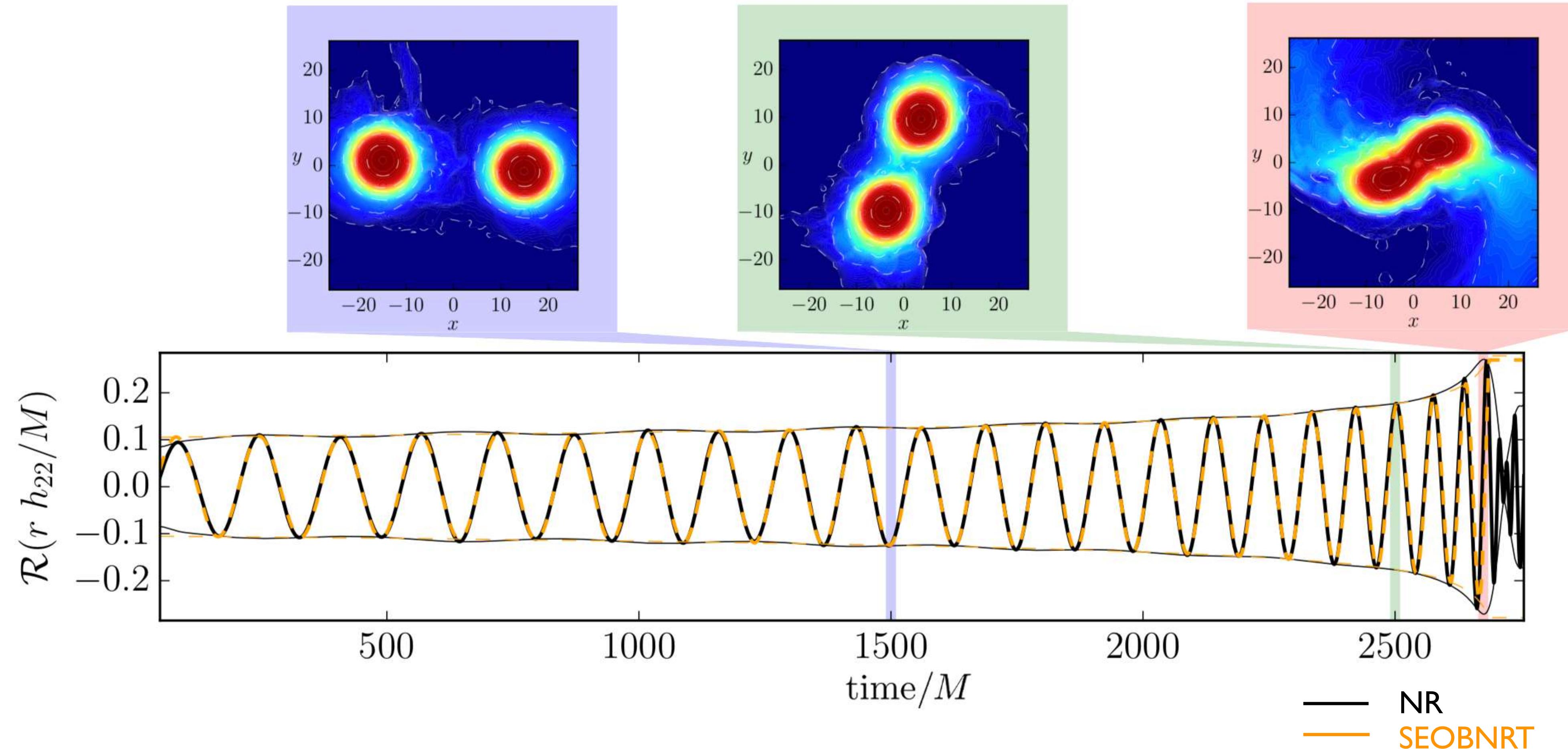
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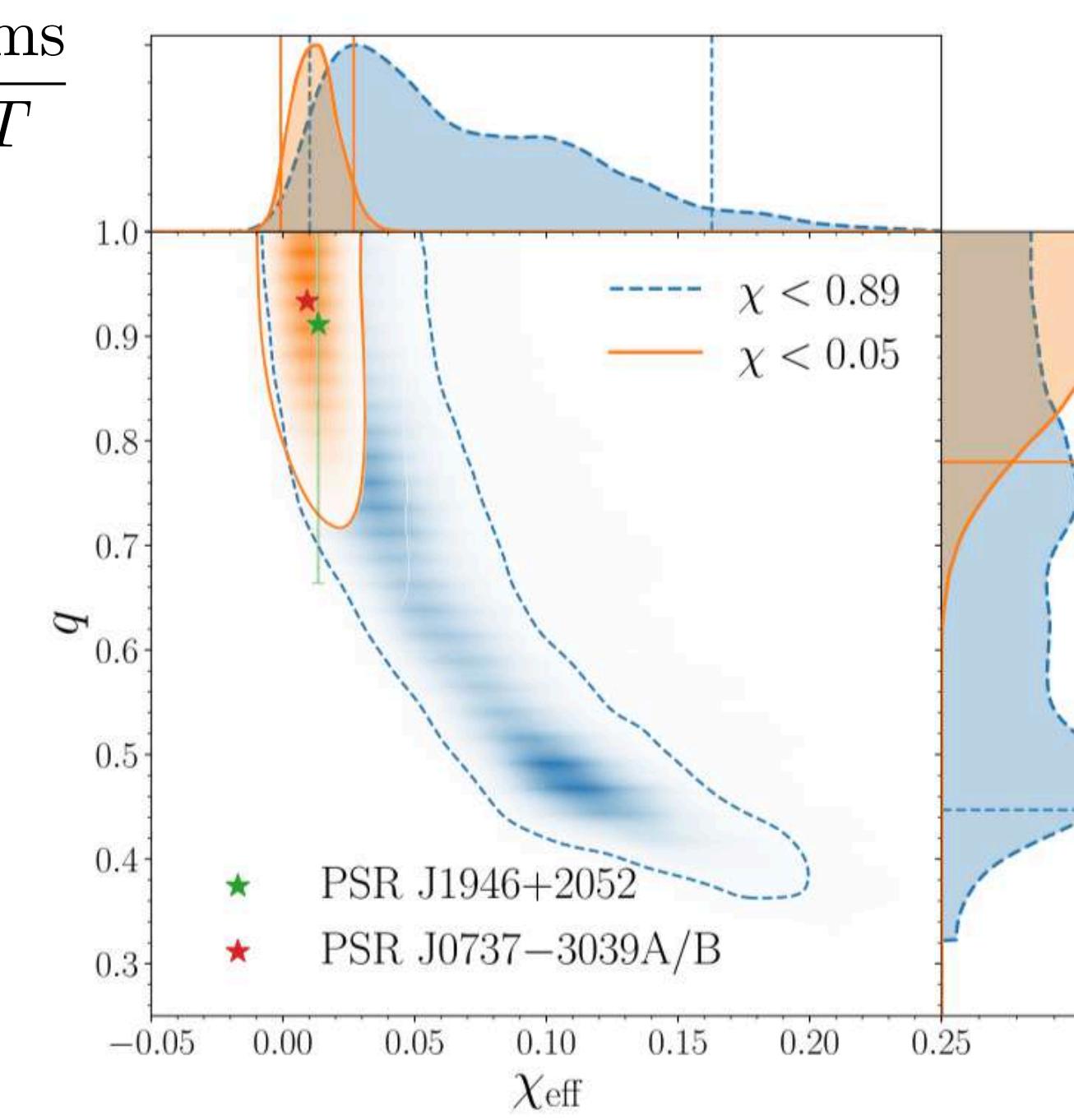
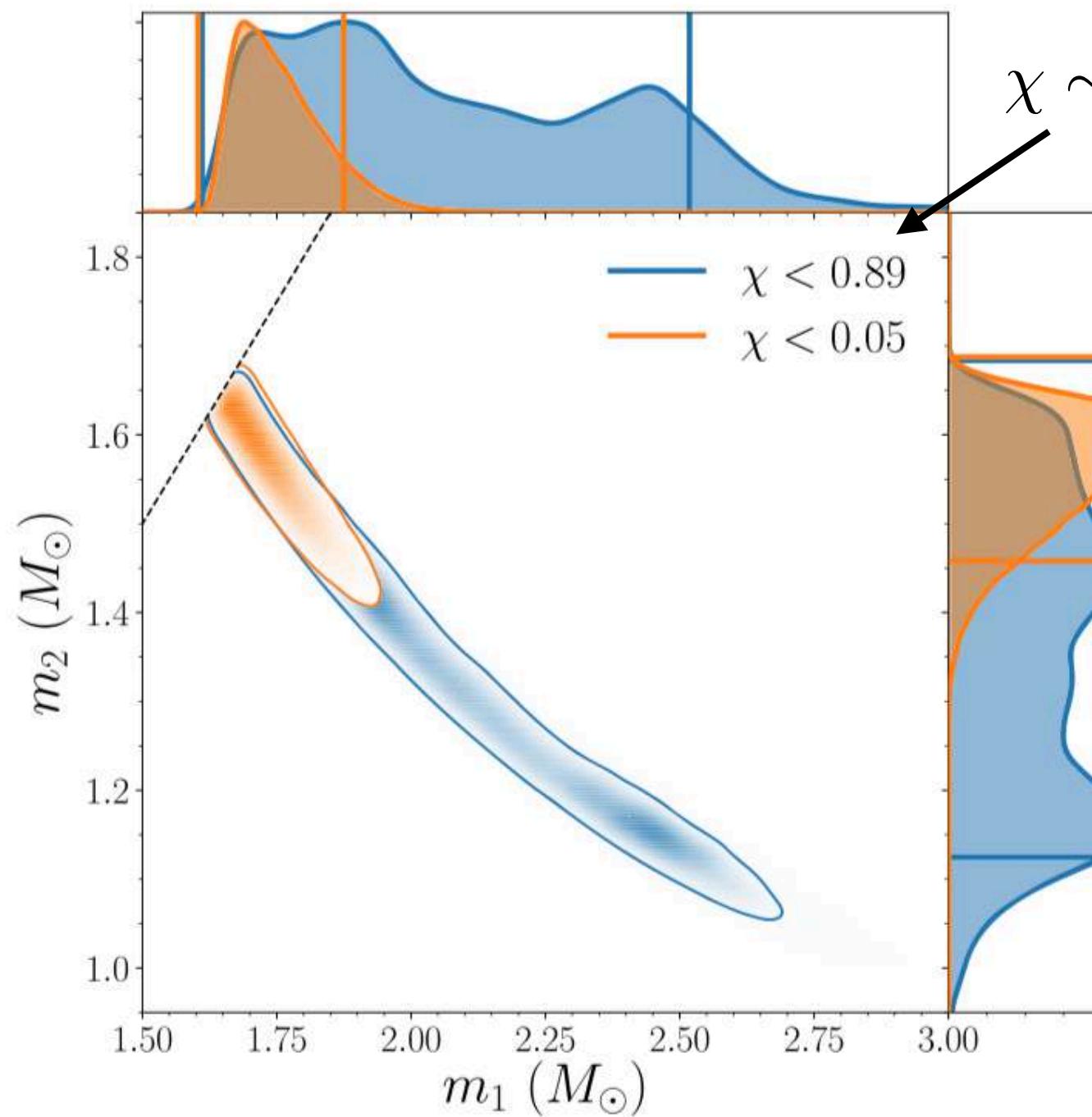
- Synergy between **analytical** and **numerical work** is **crucial**.



(Damour 1983, Flanagan & Hinderer 08, Binnington & Poisson 09, Vines et al. 11, Damour & Nagar 09, 12, Bernuzzi et al. 15, Hinderer, ...AB ... et al. 16, Steinhoff, ... AB ... et al. 16, Dietrich et al. 17-19, Nagar et al. 18)

GW190425: a Binary Neutron Star with Surprisingly High Mass

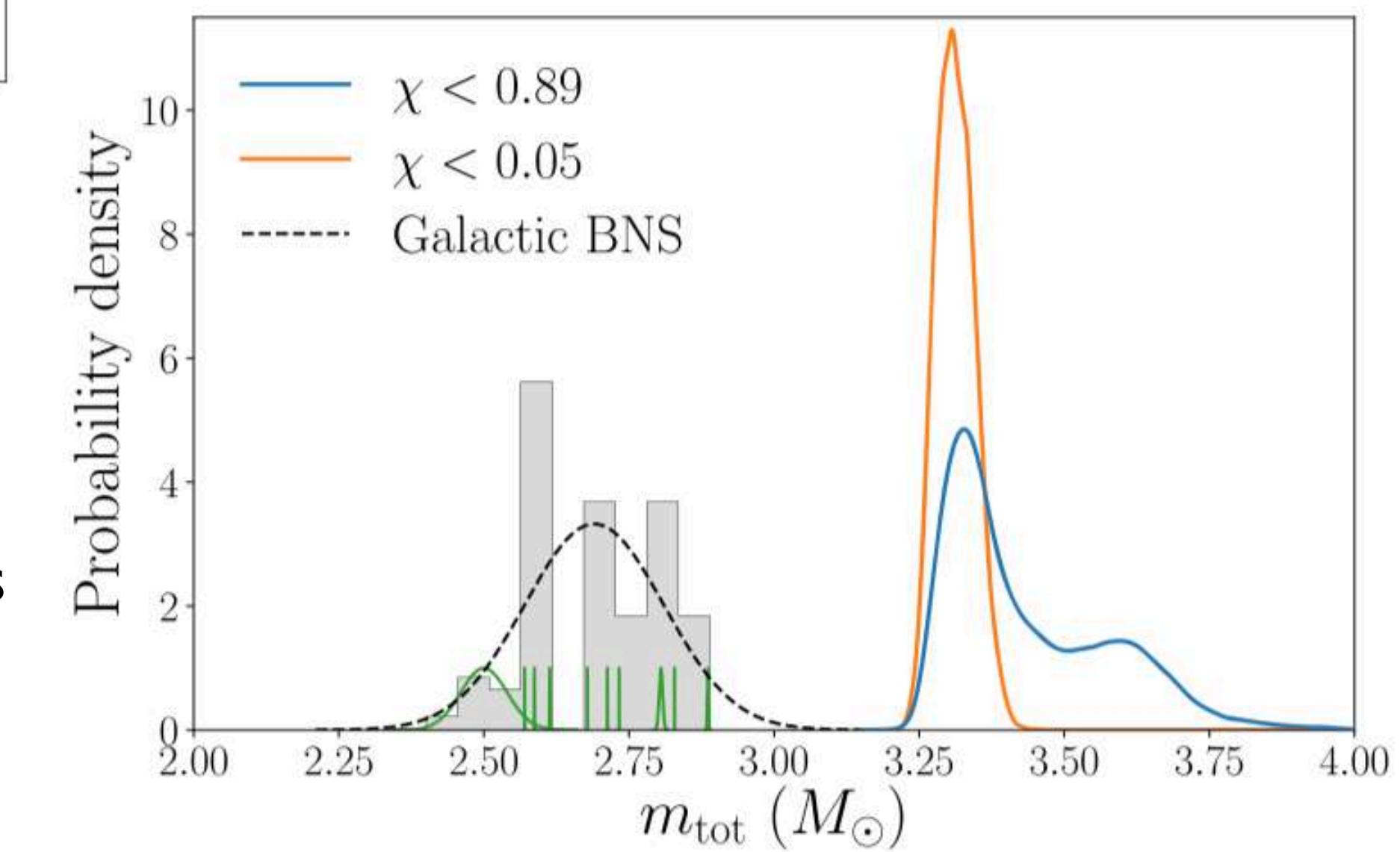
(Abbott et al. *ApJ Lett* 892 (2020))



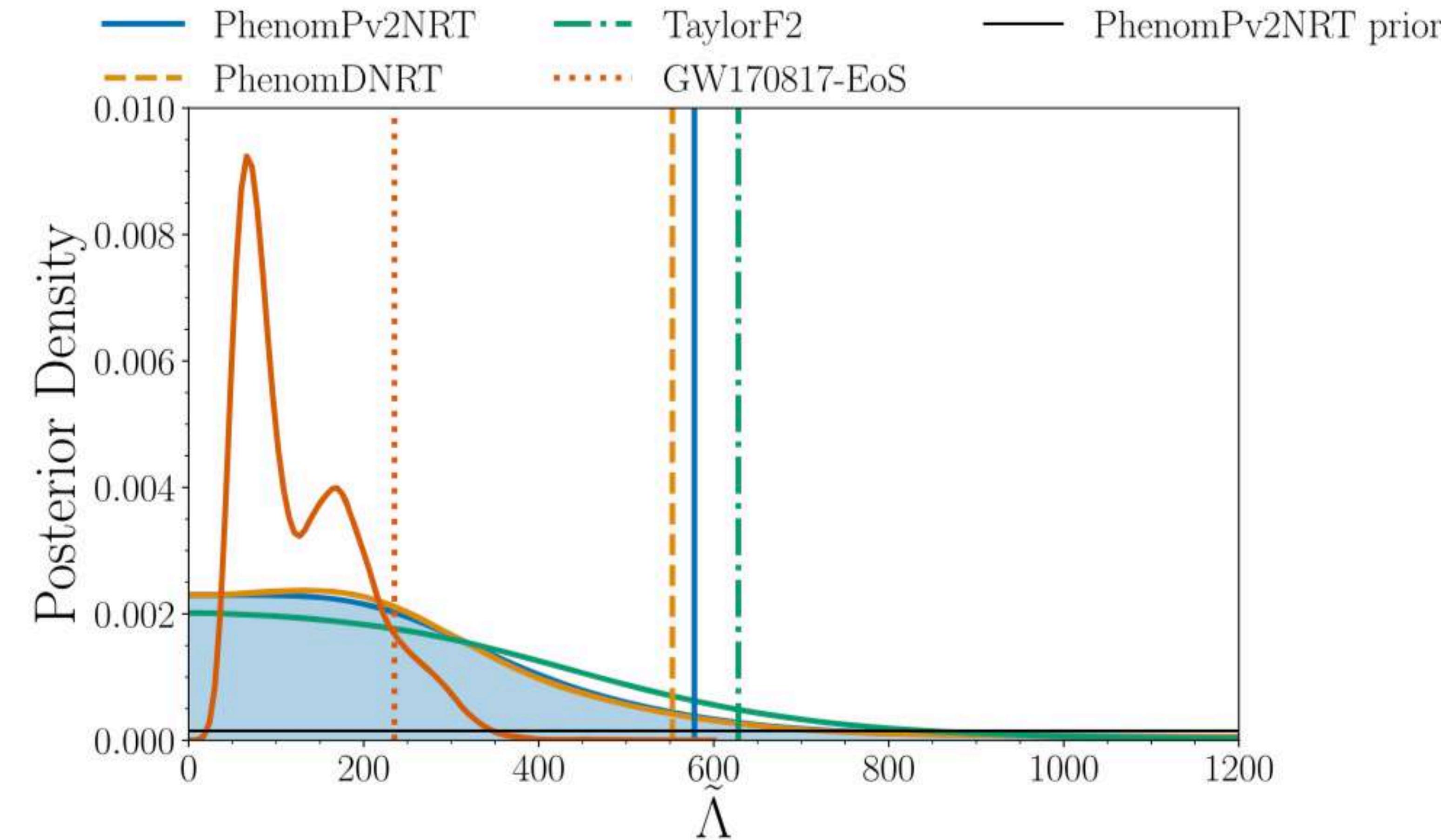
- **GW190425's masses are consistent with mass measurements of NSs in binaries.**

- **GW190425's total mass $3.4^{+0.3}_{-0.1} M_\odot$ is larger than BNSs in our galaxy: new population of BNS?**

$$\begin{aligned} q &= m_1/m_2 \\ \chi_1 &= S_1/m_1^2 \\ \chi_2 &= S_2/m_2^2 \\ \chi_{\text{eff}} &= \left(\frac{m_1}{M} \chi_1 + \frac{m_2}{M} \chi_2 \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}} \end{aligned}$$

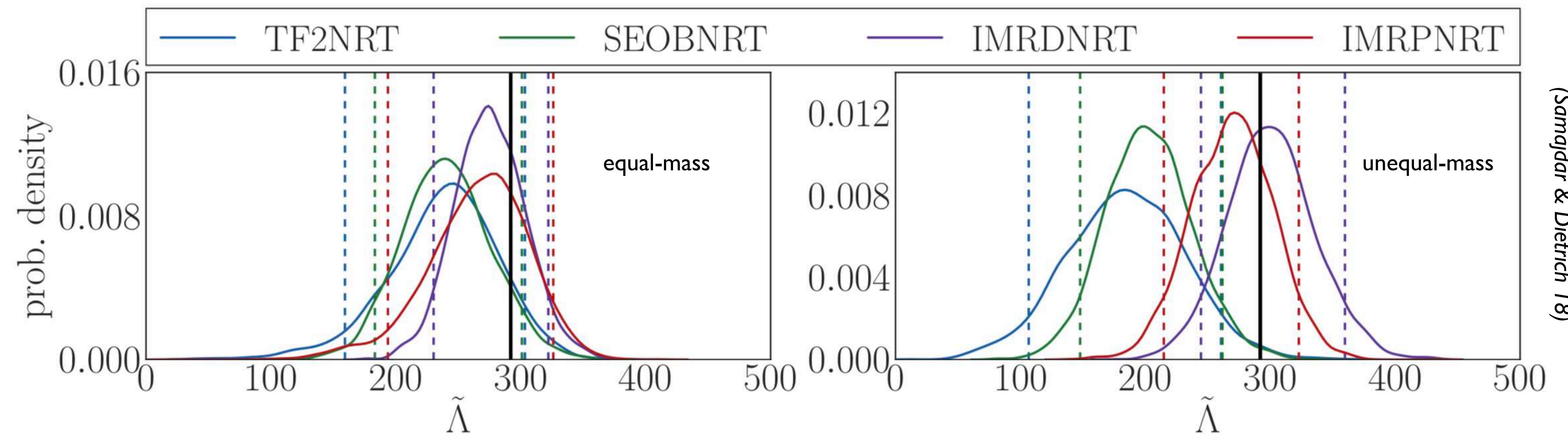


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- **GW190425's SNR is lower (~ 13) than GW170817's SNR (~ 34): looser constraint on tidal deformability.**

- Synthetic GW signal of a **binary neutron star** at **50 Mpc** is **injected** in Gaussian noise with **O4** noise-spectral density (**SNR ~ 87**).
- Inference with waveform models that have **same matter effects**, but **baseline point-mass model is different**.
 - **IMRDNRT** is injected in O4 run

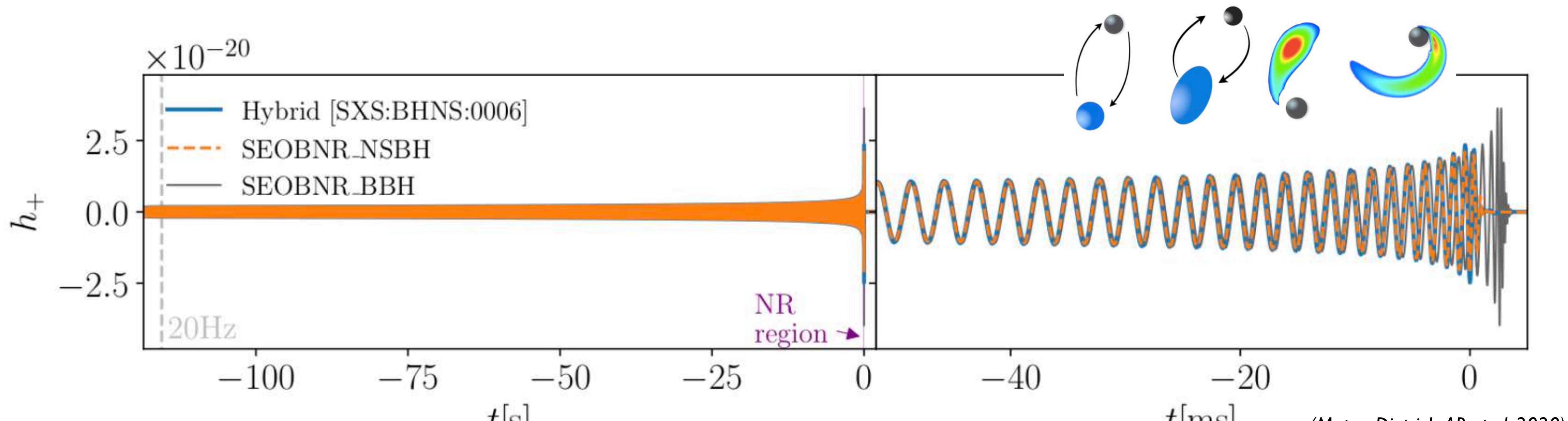


(see also Dudi et al. 18, Samajdar & Dietrich 19, Gamba et al. 20)

Systematics larger than statistical errors!

- To obtain **NS's radius with precision of 0.5-1 km**, more **accurate waveforms** are needed.

- Synergy between **analytical** and **numerical work** is **crucial**.



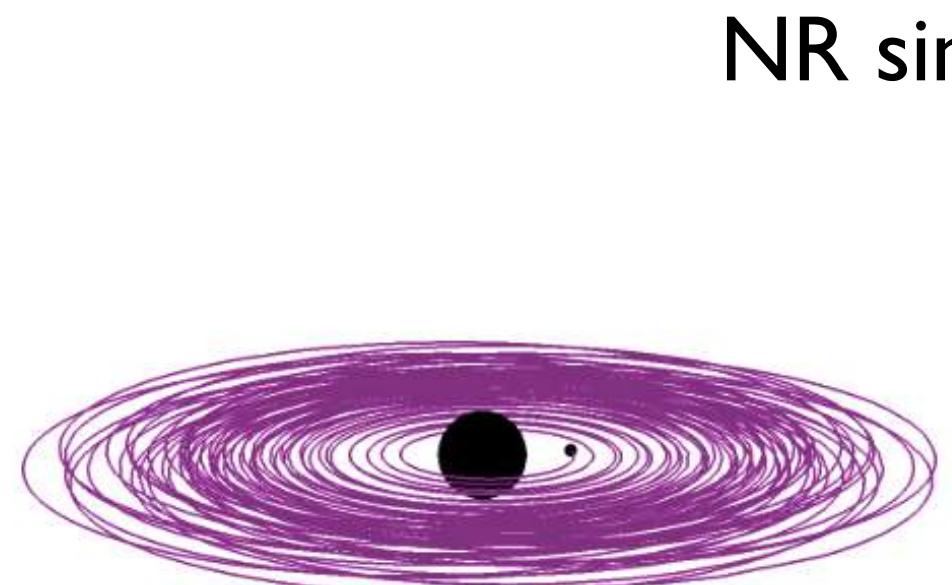
(see also Lackey et al. 14, Pannarale et al. 15, 16, Pürrer et al. 17, Chakravarti et al. 17)

(see also Thompson et al. 2020)

- So far, **NSBH waveforms** were used **only for** inference study of **GW190814**.
- **More accurate NSBH waveforms** are **needed for future runs** (O4, O5, CE and ET).

- How to discriminate among binary's formation scenarios, and probe astrophysical environment?
Eccentricity, spin-magnitude and spin-precession can disclose this information.

- Eccentric compact-object binary:

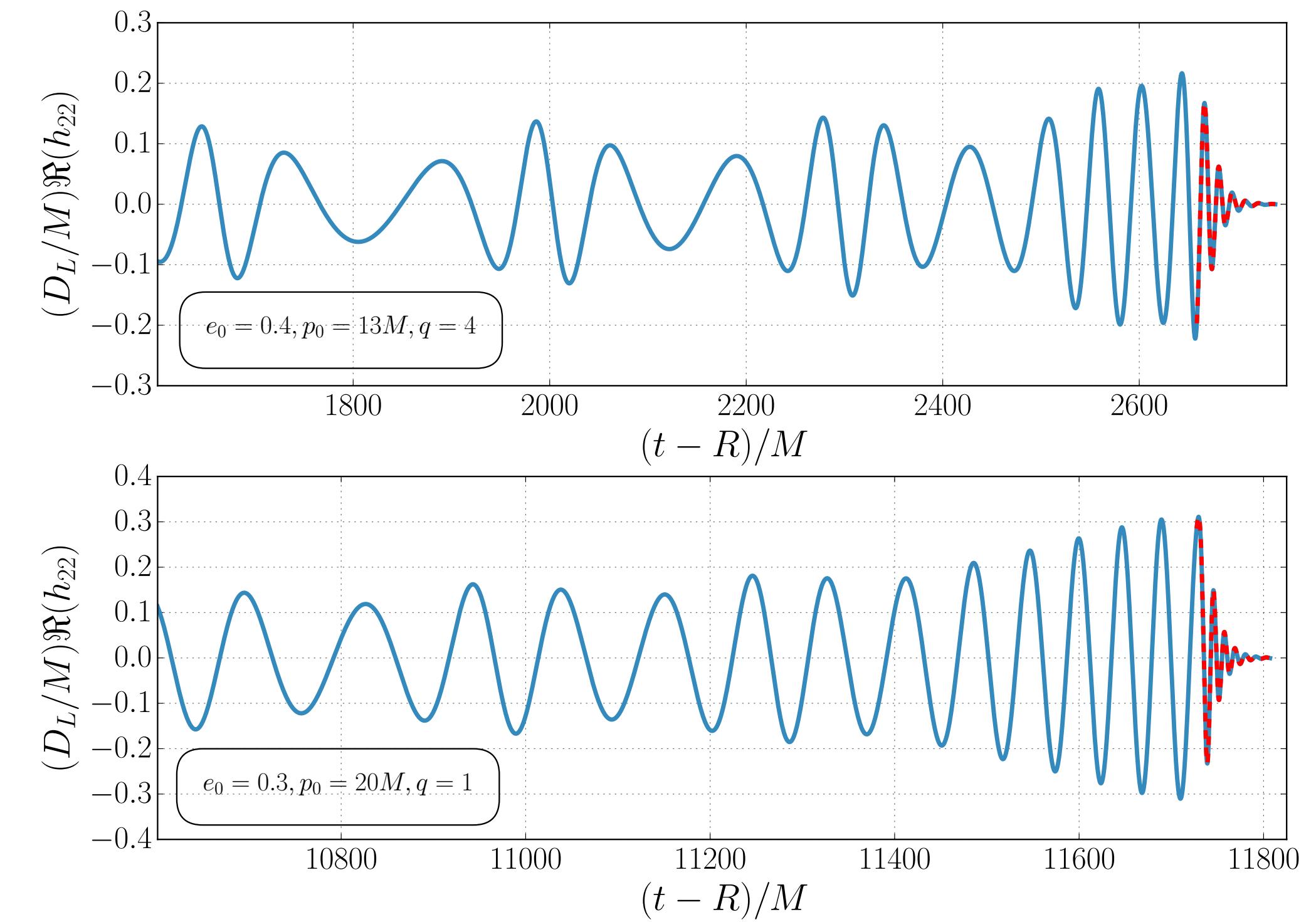


mass ratio = 7

(Lewis et al. 16)

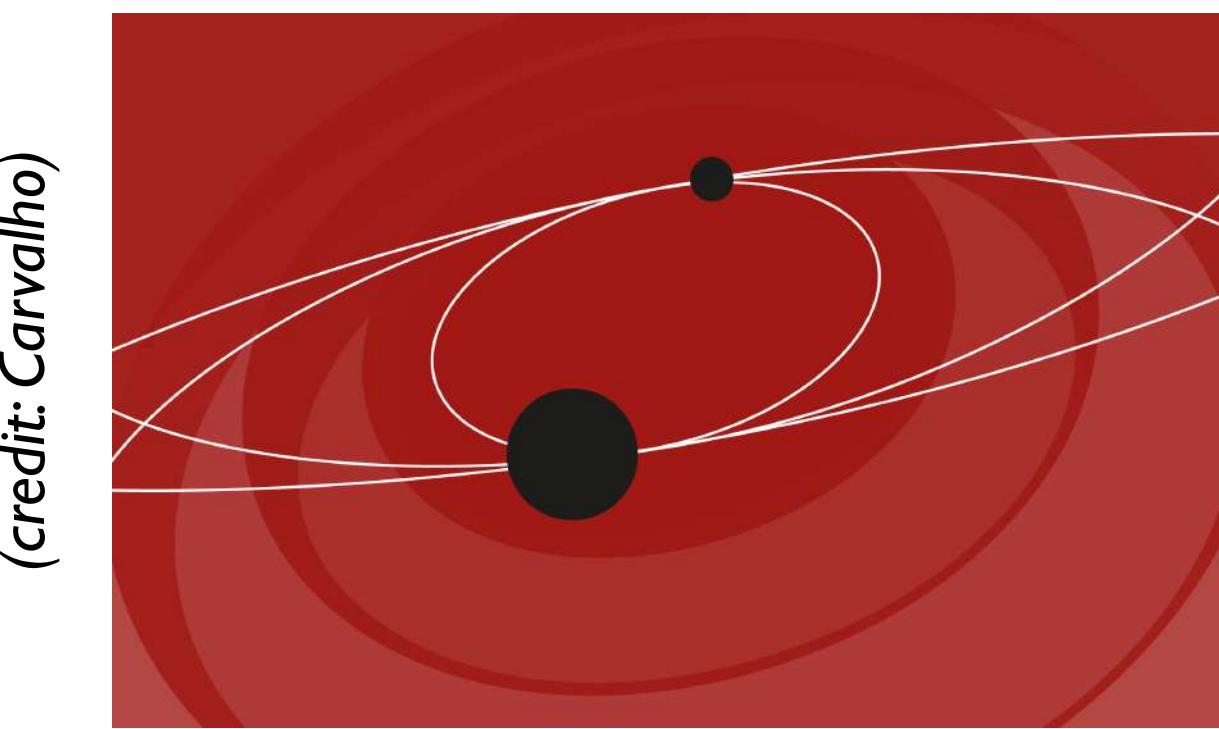
(many PN papers on eccentricity; Bini et al. 12; East et al. 13; Huerta et al. 14-19, Hinder et al. 17; Cao & Han 17; Loutrel & Yunes 16, 17; Ireland et al. 19, Moore & Yunes 19, Chiaramello & Nagar 20, Buades et al. 20, Liu et al. 21, Nagar et al. 20, 21, Islam et al. 21, Khalil et al. 21)

(Hinderer & Babak 17)



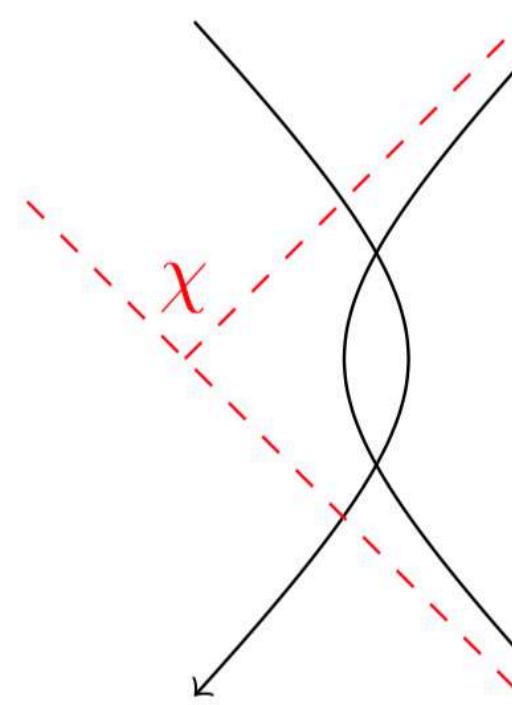
- Current eccentric models do not cover all physical effects (e.g., spin-precession and harmonics) or all stages of coalescence or entire range of eccentricity, accurately (but a lot of progress in last months!).

- Relativistic 2-body dynamics

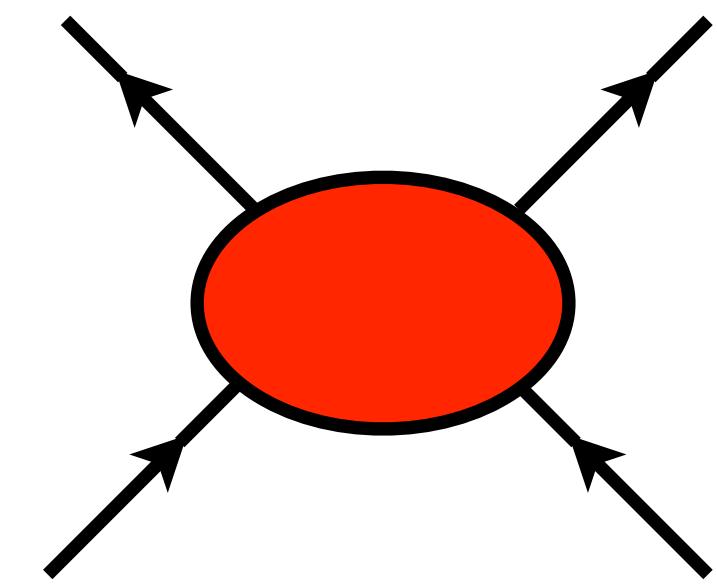


- Classical scattering: scattering angle χ

(credit: Steinhoff)



- Quantum scattering amplitude



e.g., in Born approximation: Fourier transform of potential is related to scattering amplitude

- (Local in-time) 2-body **Hamiltonian at 4PM (3 loops)** for nonspinning BHs.

(Cheung et al. 19, 20, Bern et al. 19, Blümlein et al. 20, Kälin et al. 20, Bern et al 21)

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$$\begin{aligned} E &= E_1 + E_2 & \gamma &= E/m \\ \xi &= E_1 E_2 / E^2 & \sigma &= \frac{p_1 \cdot p_2}{m_1 m_2} \end{aligned}$$

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↑ amplitude

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	0PN	1PN	2PN	3PN	4PN	5PN	6PN	7PN	(Bern et al. 19, 20)
1PM	$(1 + v^2 + v^4 + v^6 + v^8 + v^{10} + v^{12} + v^{14} + \dots)$								G^1
2PM		$(1 + v^2 + v^4 + v^6 + v^8 + v^{10} + v^{12} + \dots)$							G^2
3PM			$(1 + v^2 + v^4 + v^6 + v^8 + v^{10} + \dots)$						G^3
4PM				$(1 + v^2 + v^4 + v^6 + v^8 + \dots)$					G^4
5PM					$(1 + v^2 + v^4 + v^6 + \dots)$				G^5
6PM						$(1 + v^2 + v^4 + \dots)$			G^6
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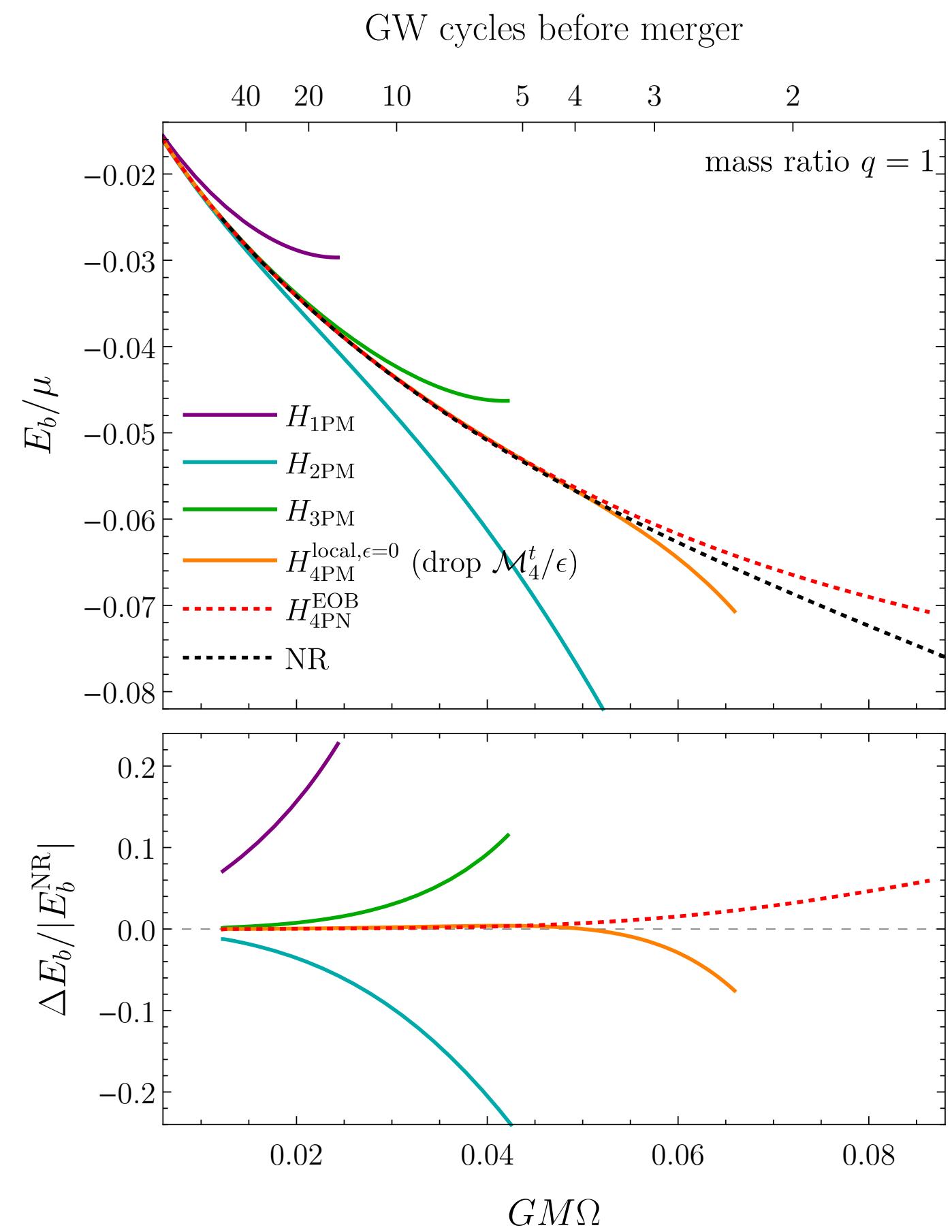
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Comparison between PMs and NR binding energies

- 2-body non-spinning (local-in-time) **Hamiltonian at 4PM order** computed using scattering-amplitude methods.
(Cheung et al. 18, Bern et al. 19, Bern et al. 21)
- **Crucial to push PM calculations at higher order, and resum them in EOB formalism.**

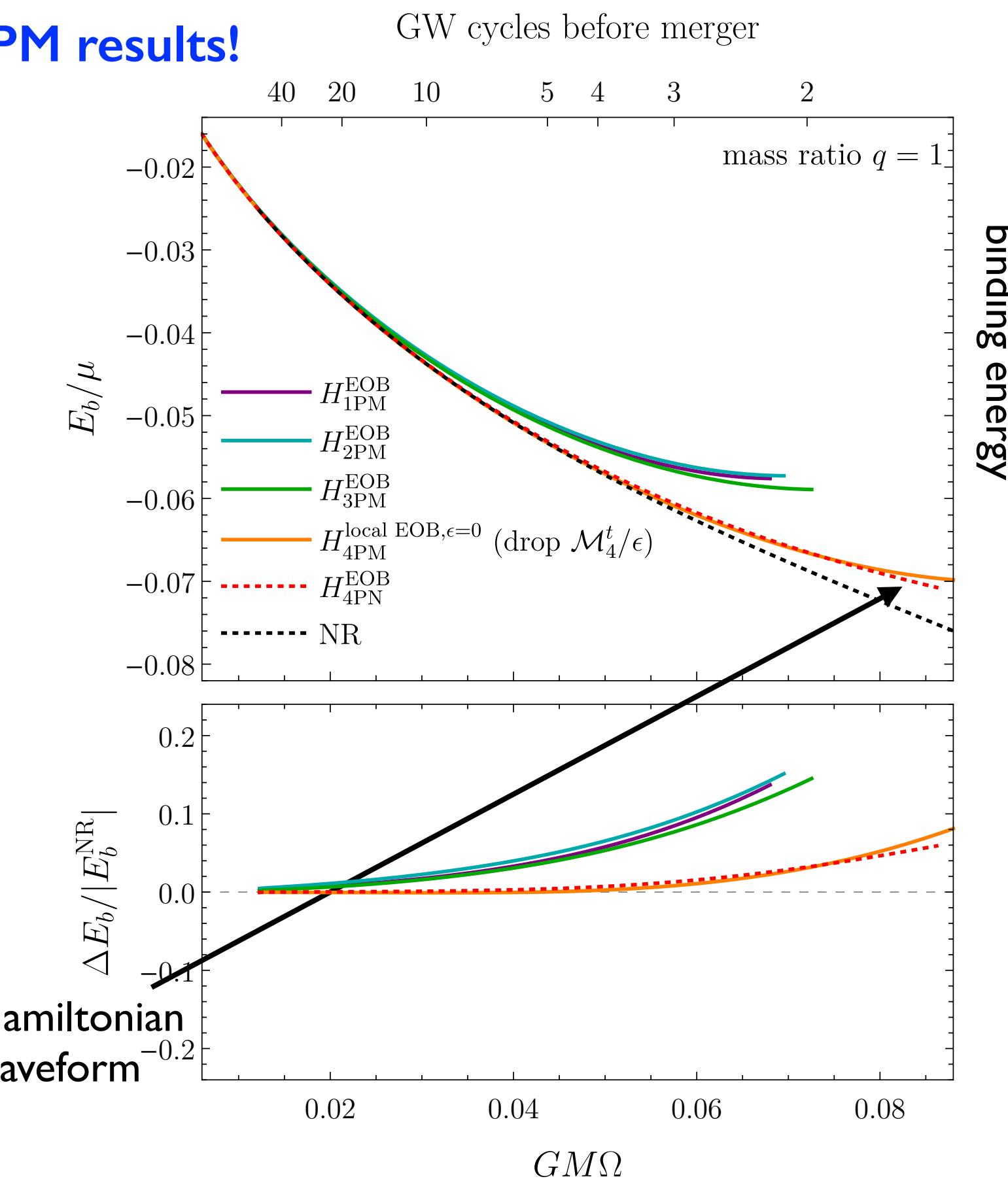
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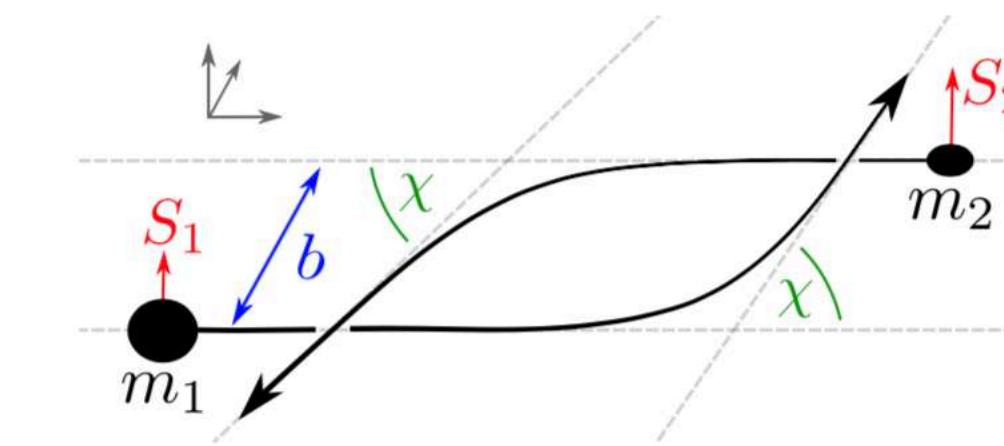
Encouraging (local-in-time) 4PM results!

current (uncalibrated) Hamiltonian
used to build EOBNR waveform
models for LIGO/Virgo



- 2-body **spin-orbit (SO) Hamiltonian at 4.5PN** computed using **EFT** or **interplay** between **bound and unbound orbits**, and gravitational **self-force** results.

(Levi et al. 20, Antonelli et al. 20)



- 2-body non-spinning **Hamiltonian at 5PN & 6PN** partially computed using **EFT** or **interplay** between **bound and unbound orbits**, and gravitational **self-force** results.

(Foffa et al. 19, Blümlein et al. 20, Damour 20, Bini, Damour & Geralico 20)

- 2-body **Hamiltonian at 2PM (1 loop)** for spinning, precessing BHs.

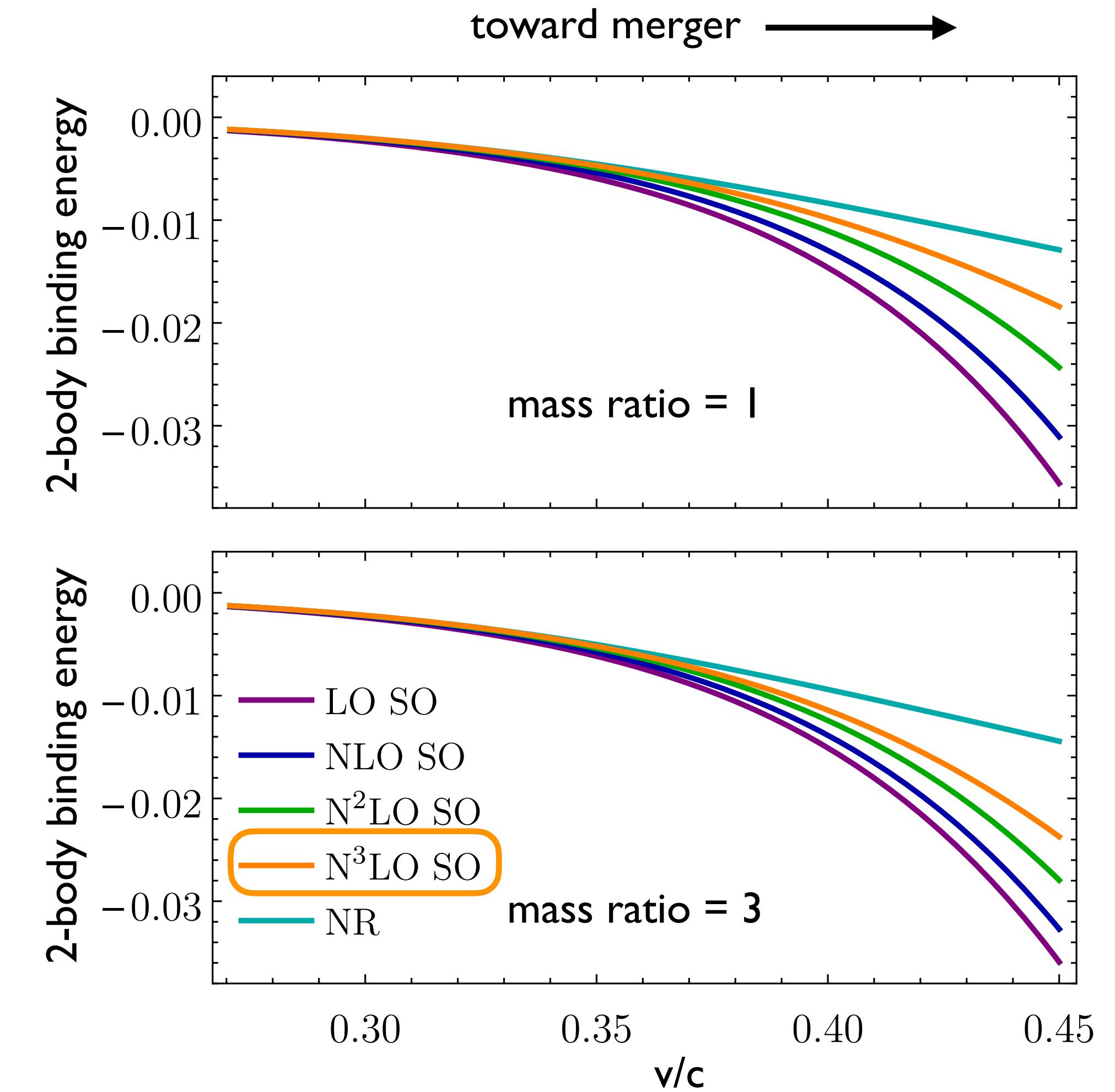
(Bini et al. 17, 18, Vines 18, Bern et al. 20, Kosmopoulos & Luna 21, Liu et al. 21)

- **Tidal effects** in 2-body dynamics **in PM expansion**

(Cheng & Solon 20, Kälin et al. 20)

- **Leading-order radiation** in **PM expansion**

(Damour 20, Di Vecchia et al. 20, 21, Jakobsen et al. 21, Herrmann et al. 21)



(Antonelli et al. 20)

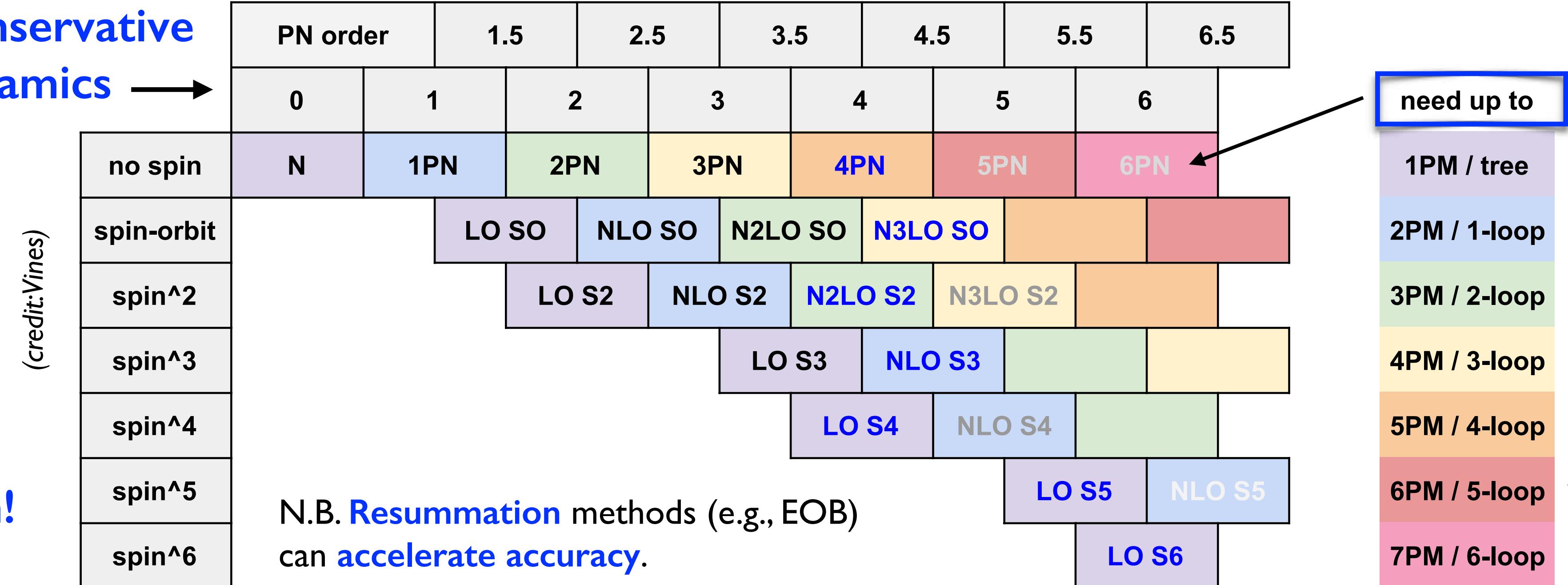


Summary & Outlook



- Observing gravitational waves and inferring astrophysical/physical information hinges on our ability to make highly precise predictions of two-body dynamics and gravitational radiation.
- With O1 & O2 we observed the "tip of the iceberg" of the binary population, with the improved detectors' sensitivity, O3a has unveiled a richer picture and several "exceptional" sources.
- Crucial to improve waveform models for BBHs and binaries with matter for LIGO and Virgo upcoming runs and for future detectors (Cosmic Explorer, Einstein Telescope & LISA). Waveform accuracy would need to be improved by one or two orders of magnitude depending on the parameter space.
- EFT and scattering-amplitudes methods have brought new and fresh perspectives (and tools) to solve the relativistic two-body problem, unveiling new paths to intertwine the different perturbative approaches (PN, PM and GSF).
- The impact of recent PN-PM results for GW observations have not yet been fully assessed, but they will as we develop new waveform models for the upcoming O4 run.
- Unique opportunity for theoretical particle physicists to contribute!

- **Conservative dynamics** →

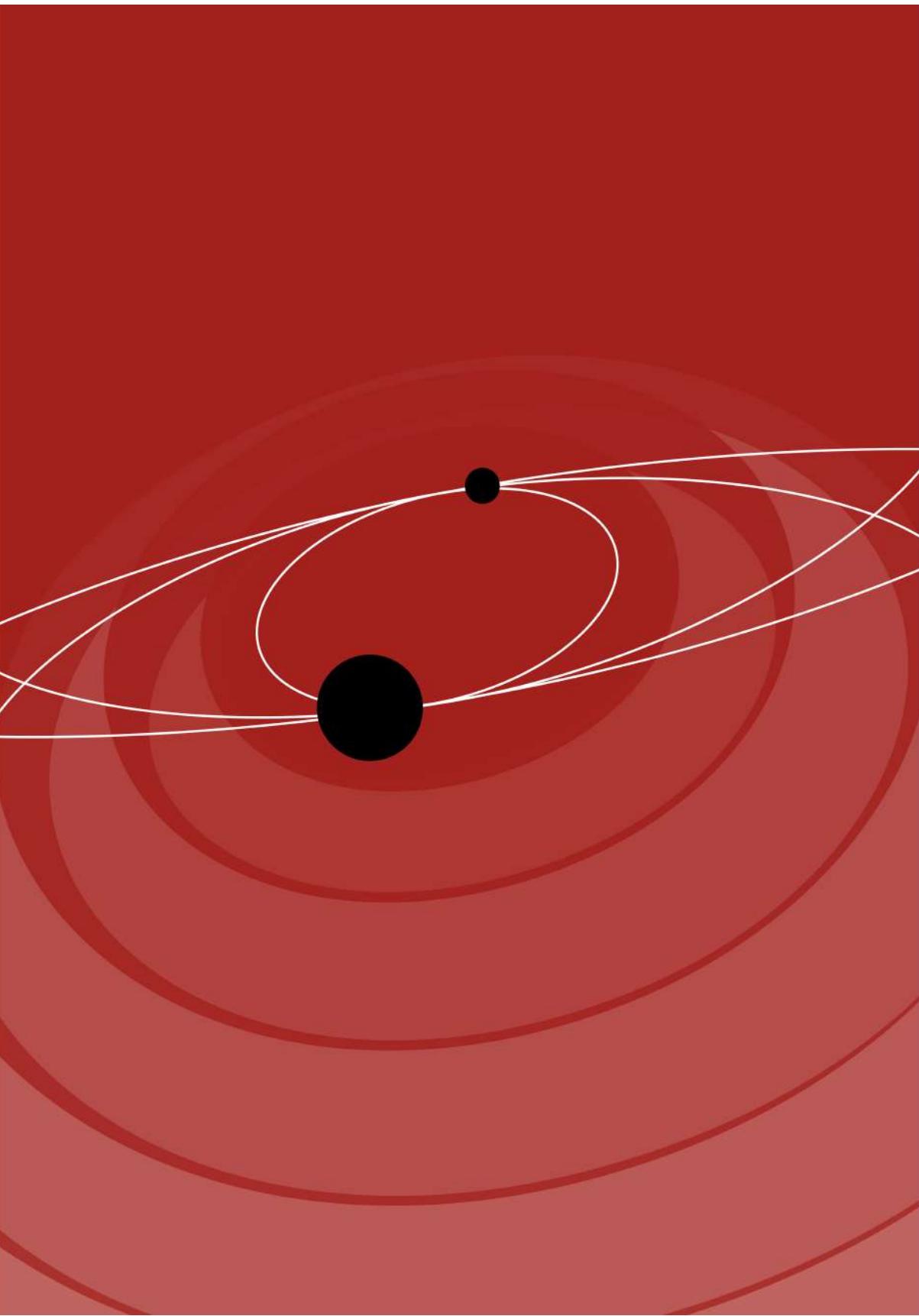


- **Plus radiation!**

- Goal: **2-body dynamics and radiation (including waveforms) for spinning objects through 6PN order.**

(High precision is needed but it is not necessary that results are provided in analytical form.)

(credit: Carvalho)



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