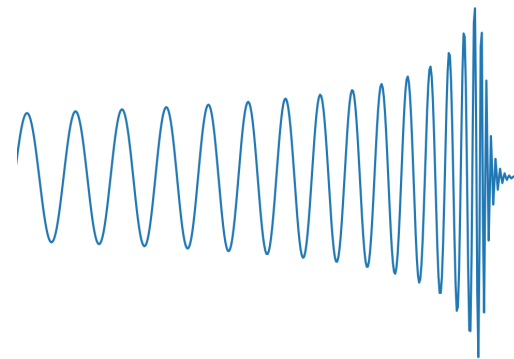


# Testing Parity Symmetry of Gravity With Gravitational Wave



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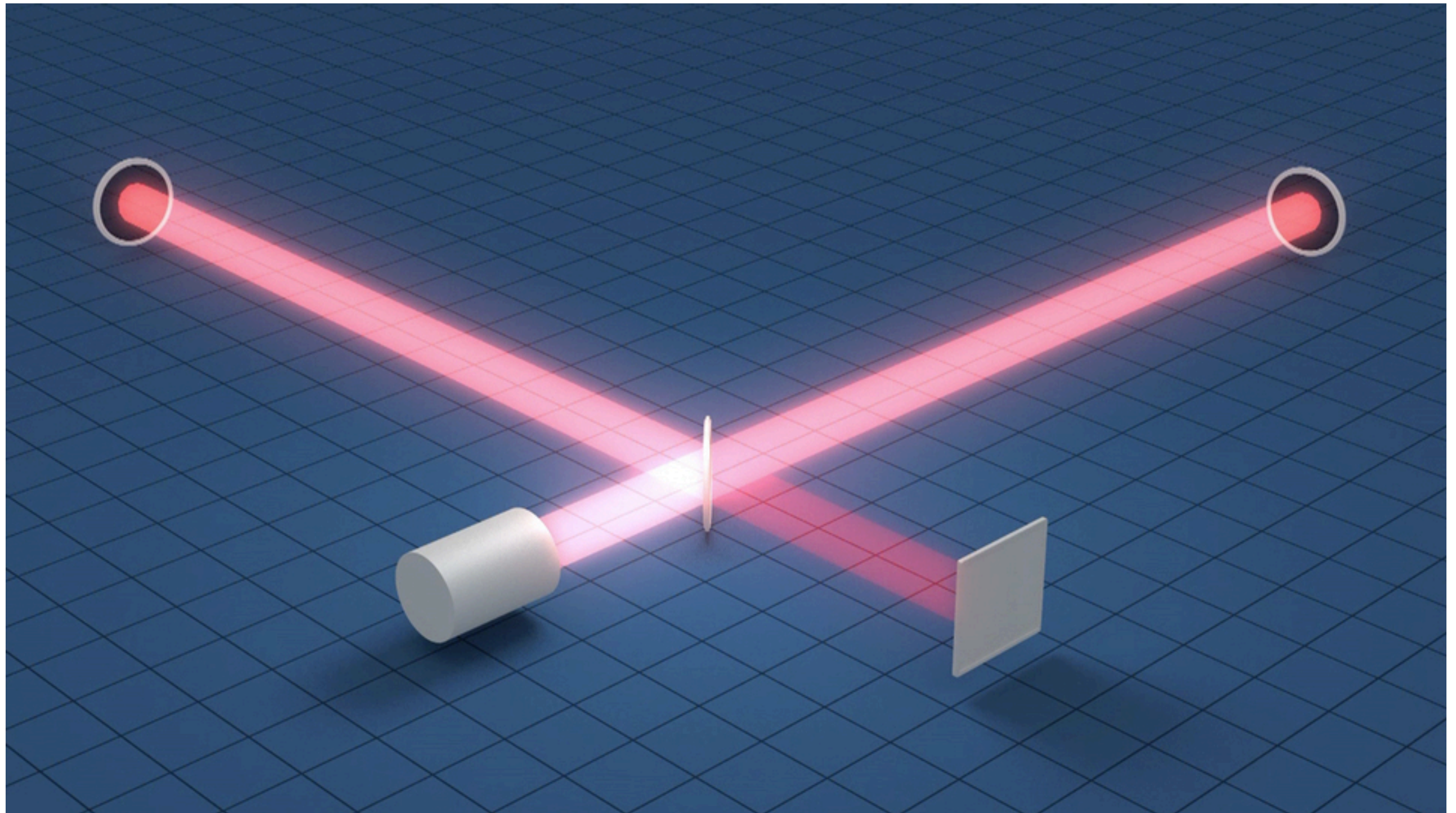
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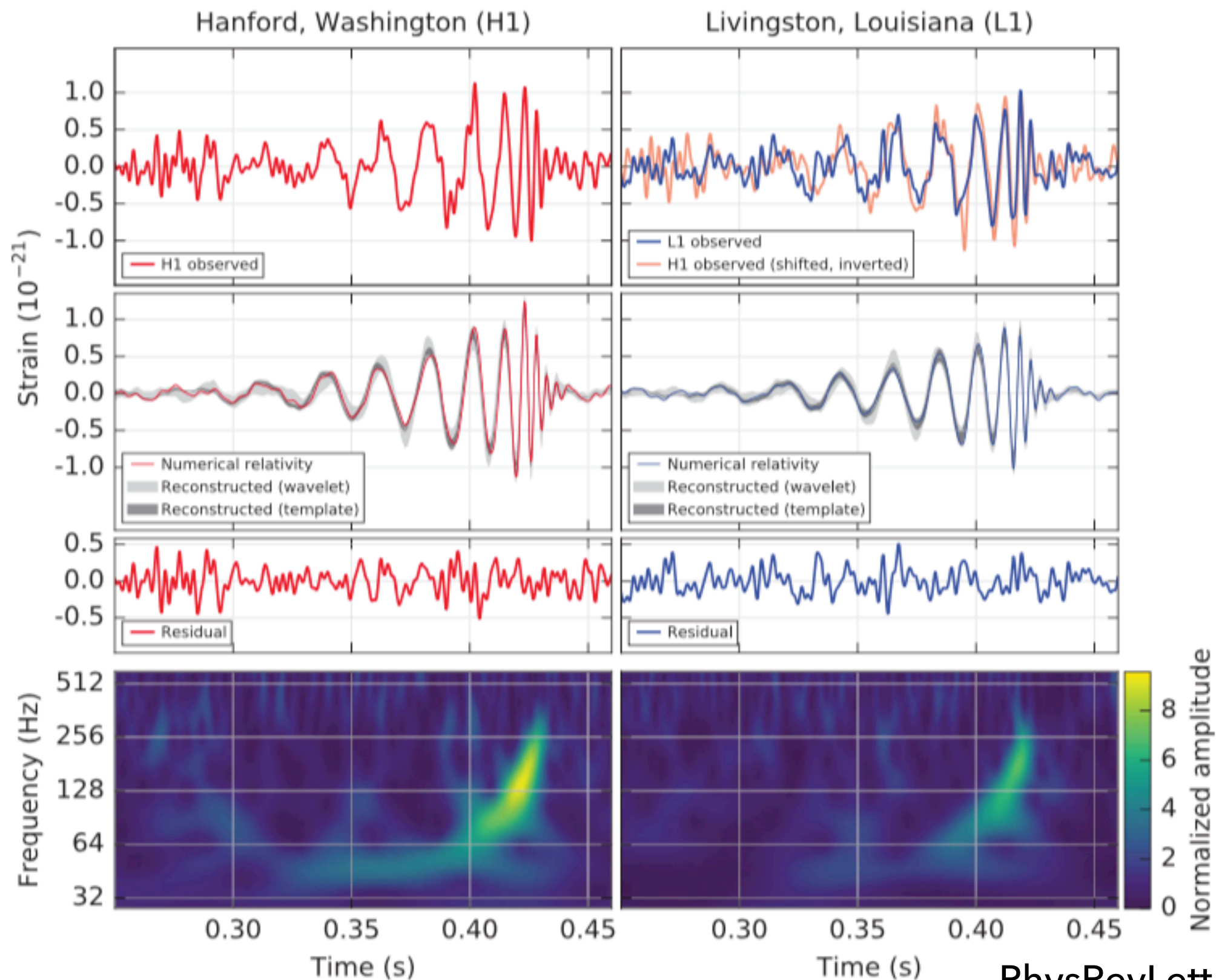
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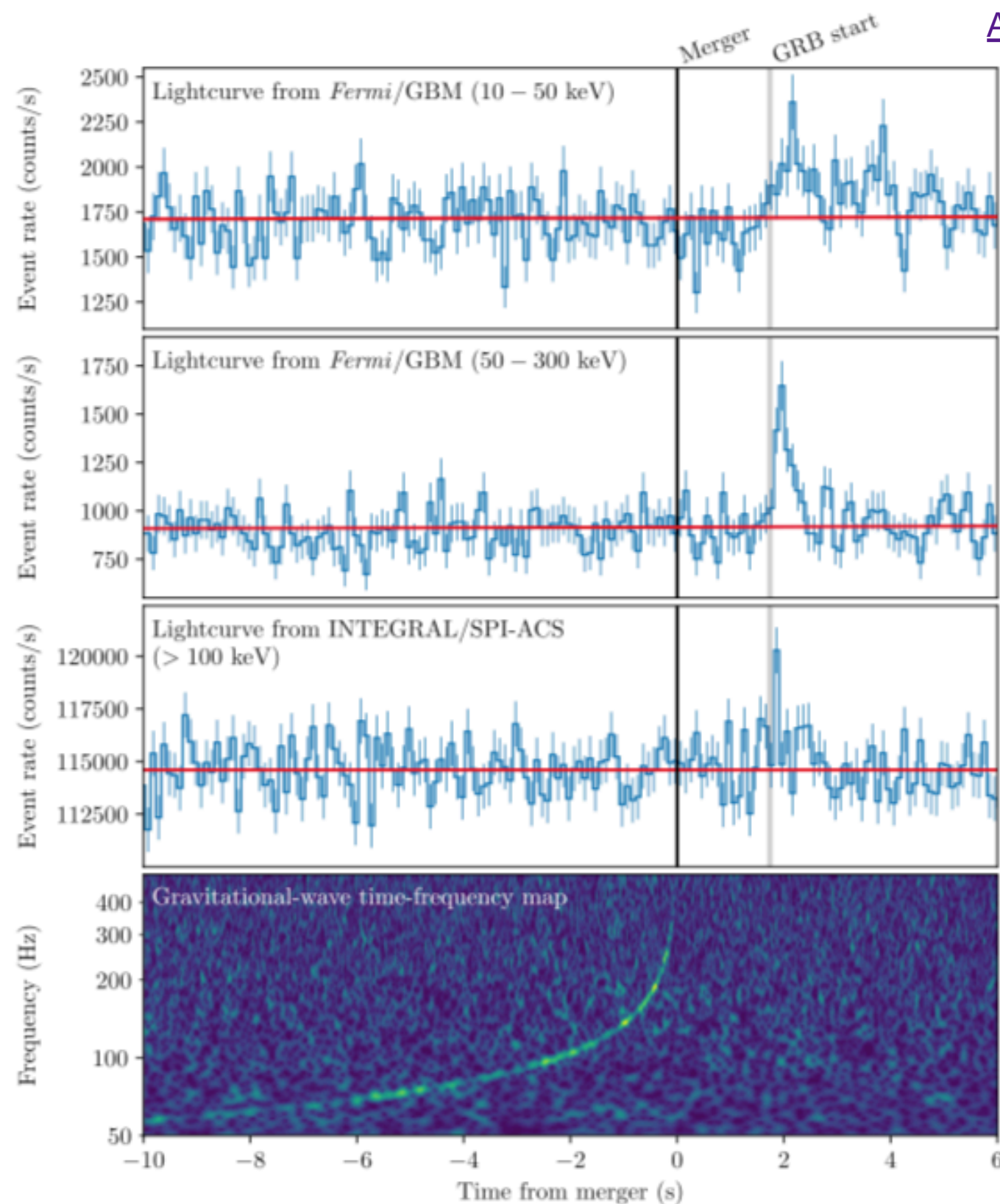






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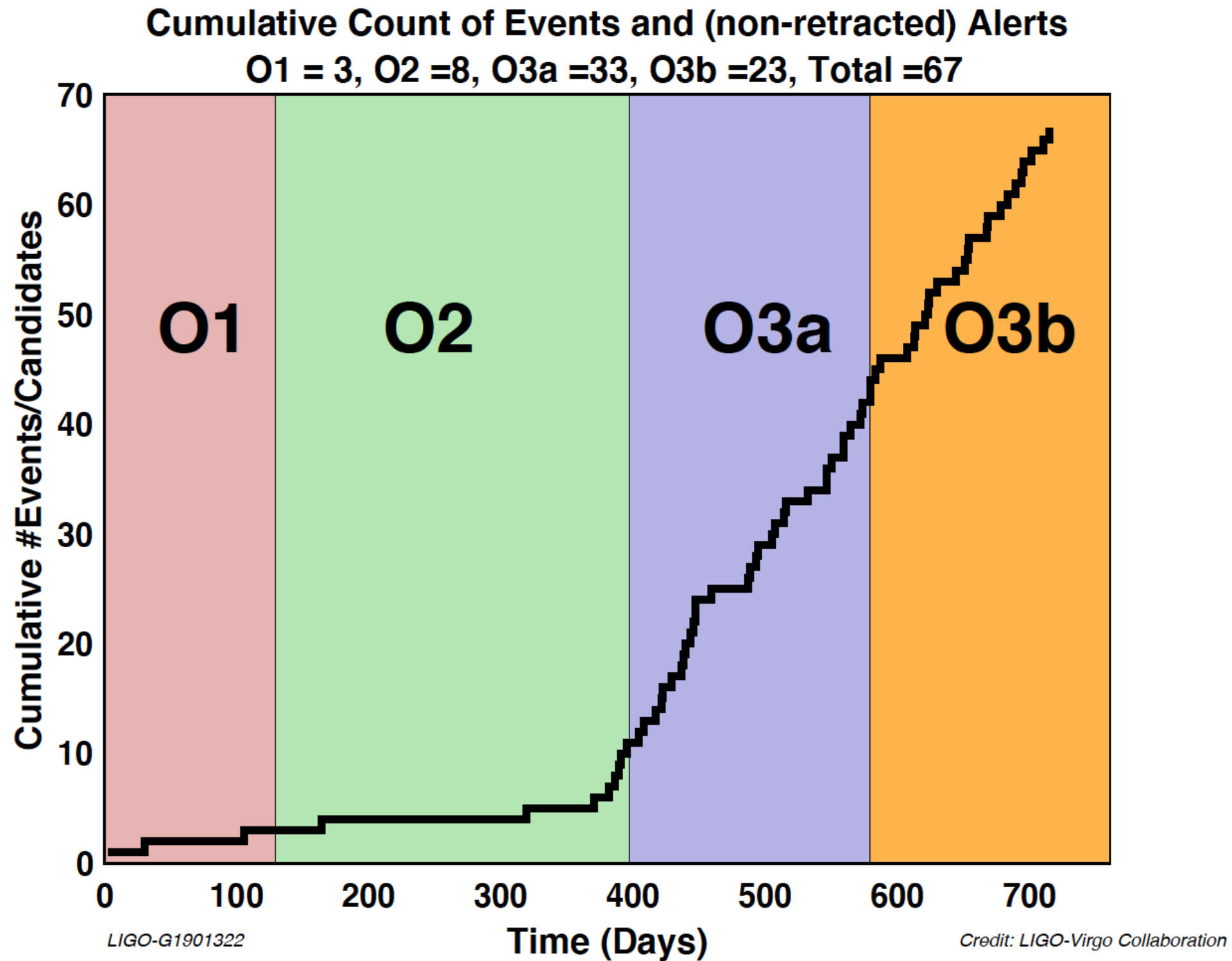
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Binary Neutron Star GW170817

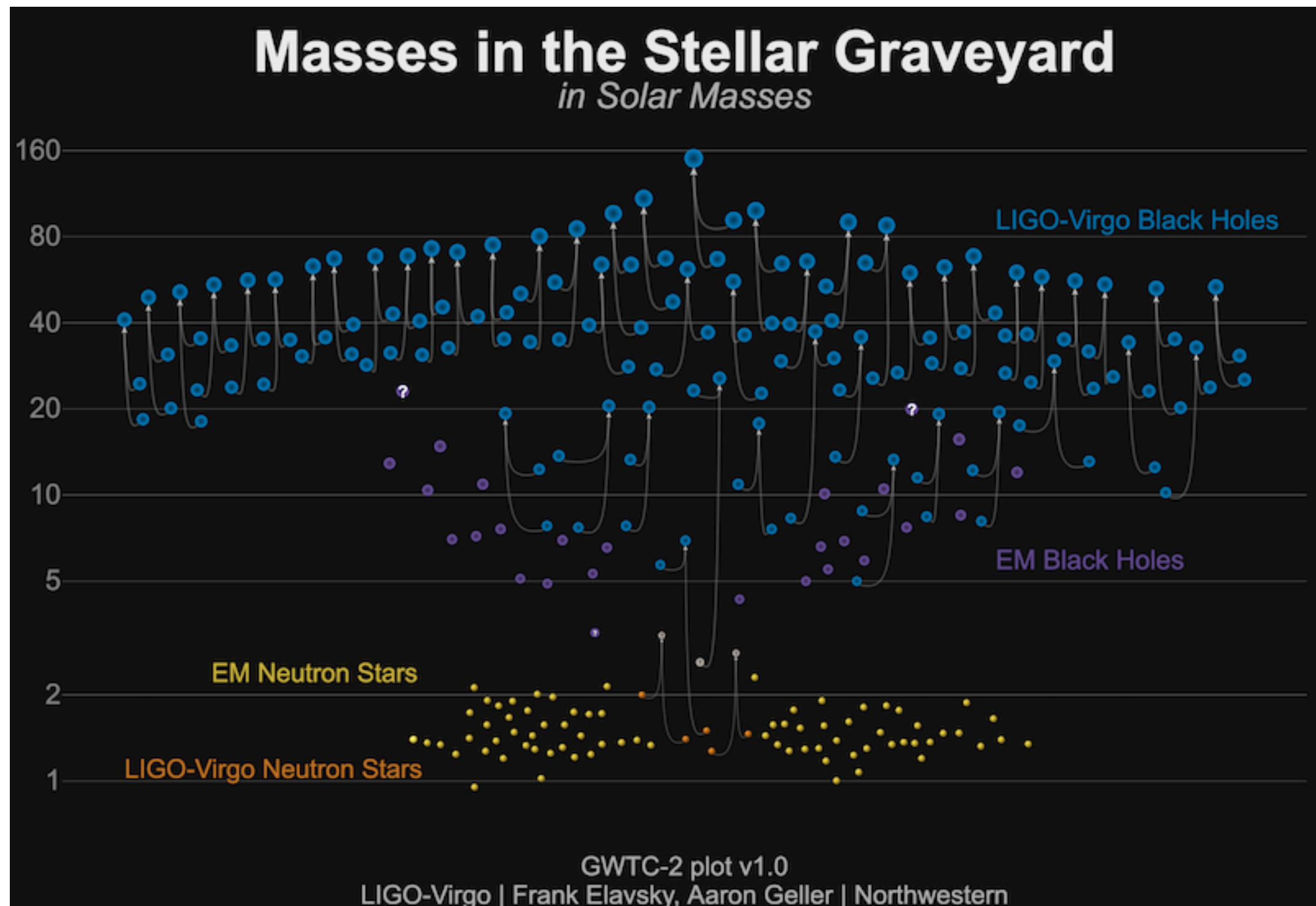


# A very brief review of gravitational wave astronomy



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- ▶ LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA Scientific Collaboration, The 1, 2, 3a Observation run —> **50 Compact Binary Coalescence** events (Binary Black Hole, Binary Neutron Star, Black Hole-Neutron Star)

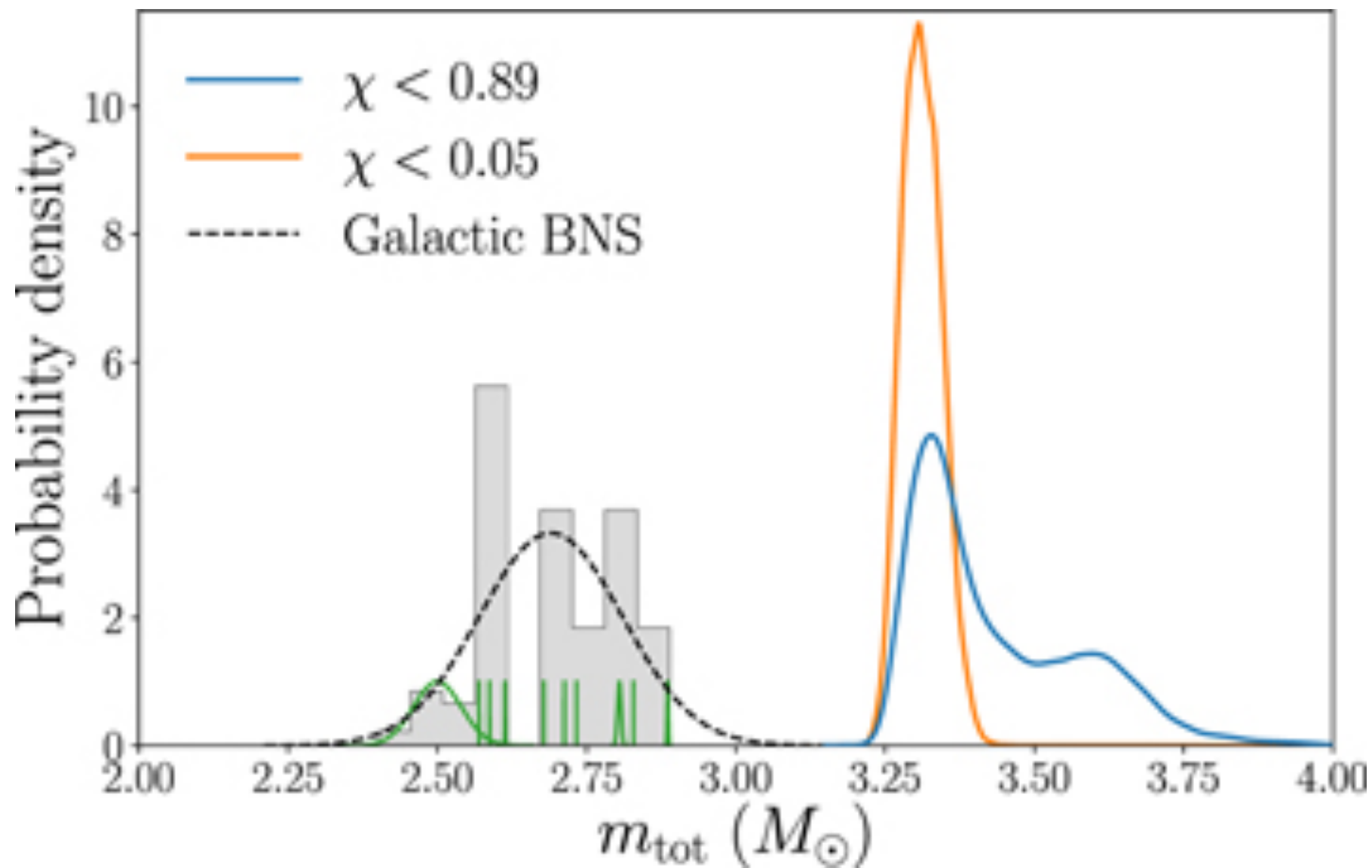




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## ► Milestone Events:

- GW190425: The most massive binary neutron star event



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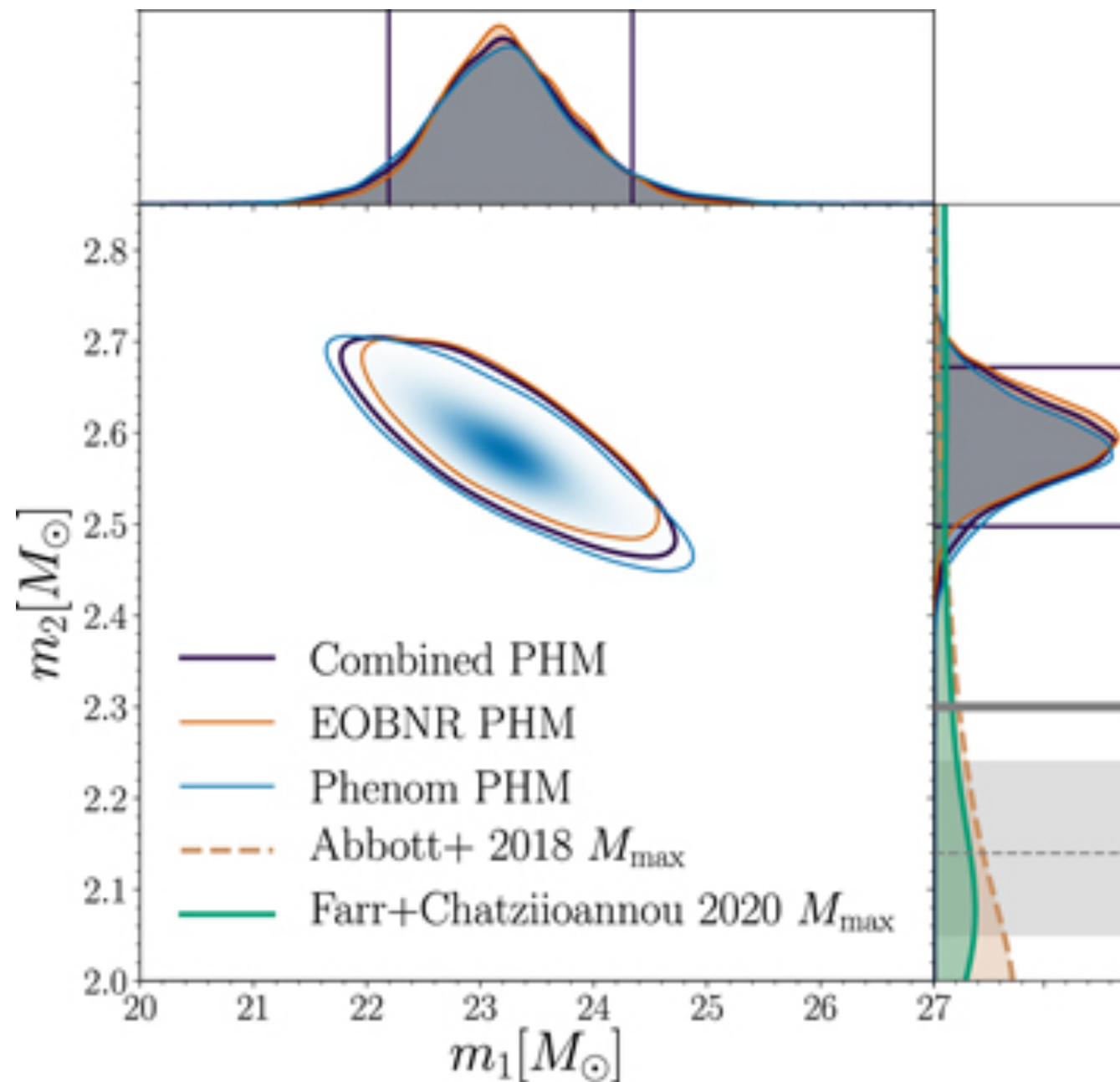




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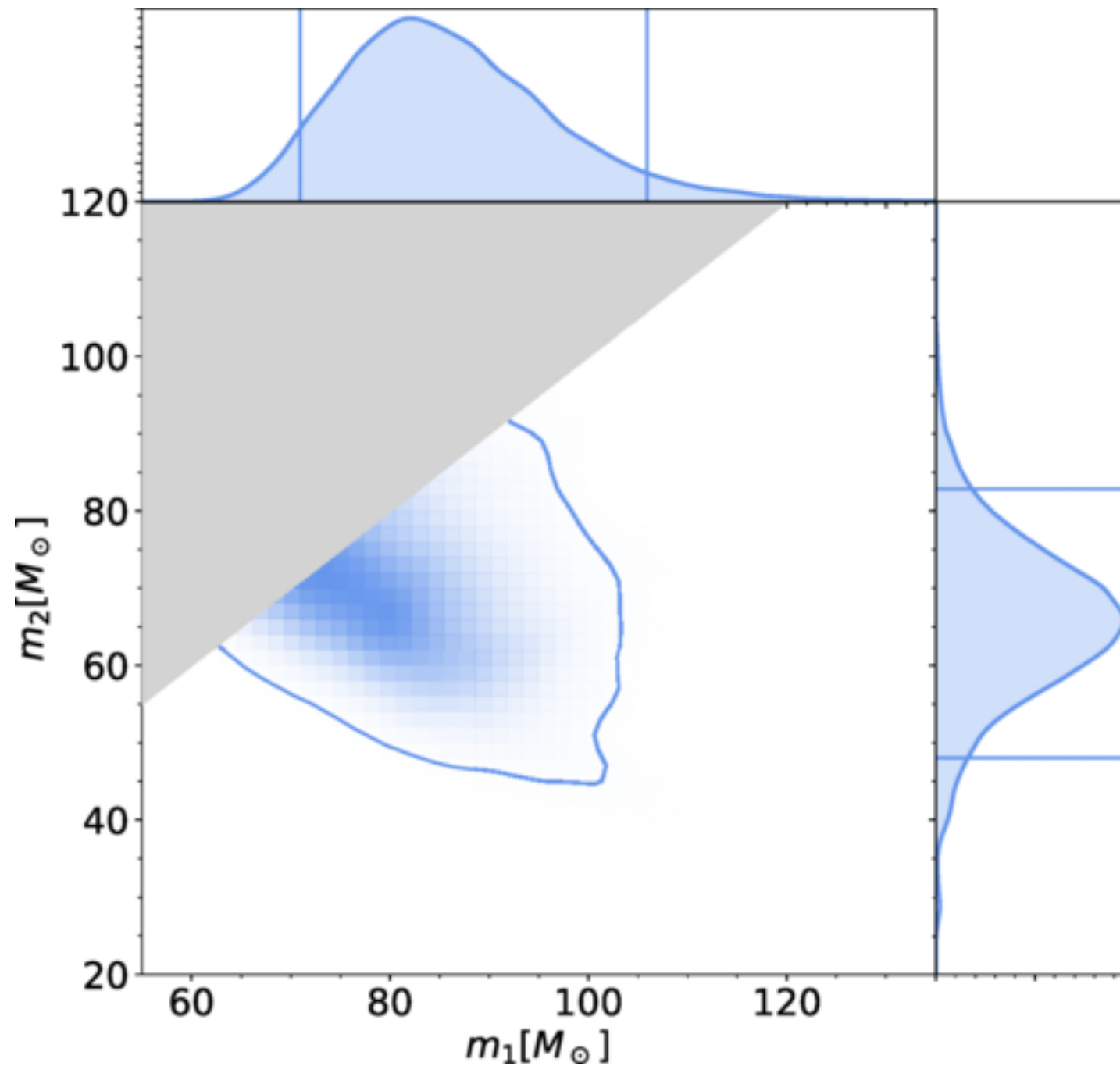
- GW190814: Non-symmetric mass+the lightest black hole/the heaviest neutron star



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## ► Milestone Events:

- GW190521: The heaviest binary black hole —> 85 + 66 solar mass



# A very brief review of gravitational wave astronomy

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## ► Scientific Implications:

- Testing the validity of General Relativity
- Cosmology: measure  $H_0$ , exploring the nature of dark matter/dark energy
- Nuclear physics: equation of state of neutron star
- High energy astrophysics: the origin of short Gamma Ray Burst
- Rate & Population for black holes and neutron stars —> stellar evolution
- many more!



# A very brief review of gravitational wave astronomy

- ▶ More types of gravitational waves are yet to be discovered:
  - Burst (Supernova explosion)
  - Continuous Wave (Spinning neutron star)
  - Stochastic Gravitational-Wave Background (primordial GW)
- ▶ More gravitational waves from hypothetical sources are yet to be discovered:
  - Primordial Black Hole →
    - [Yi-Fan Wang, Alexander H. Nitz](#) 2101.12269
    - [Alexander H. Nitz, Yi-Fan Wang](#) 2102.00868
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    - [Yi-Fan Wang](#) et al, *Phys.Rev.D* 101 (2020) 6, 063019
    - [Sai Wang Yi-Fan Wang](#) et al, *Phys.Rev.Lett.* 120 (2018) 19, 191102
  - Cosmic String
  - More unknowns!





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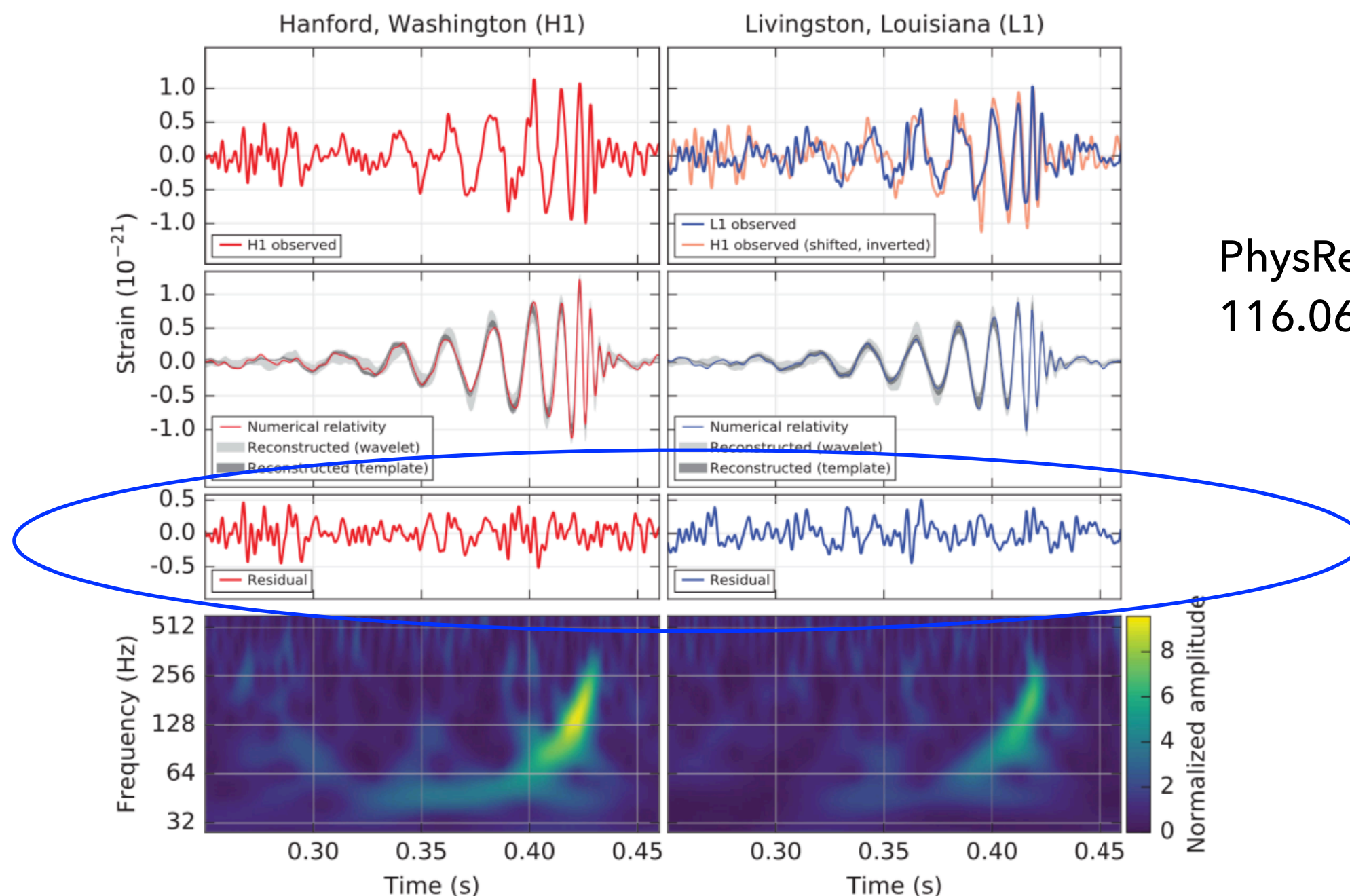
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## ► 1. Residual Analysis:

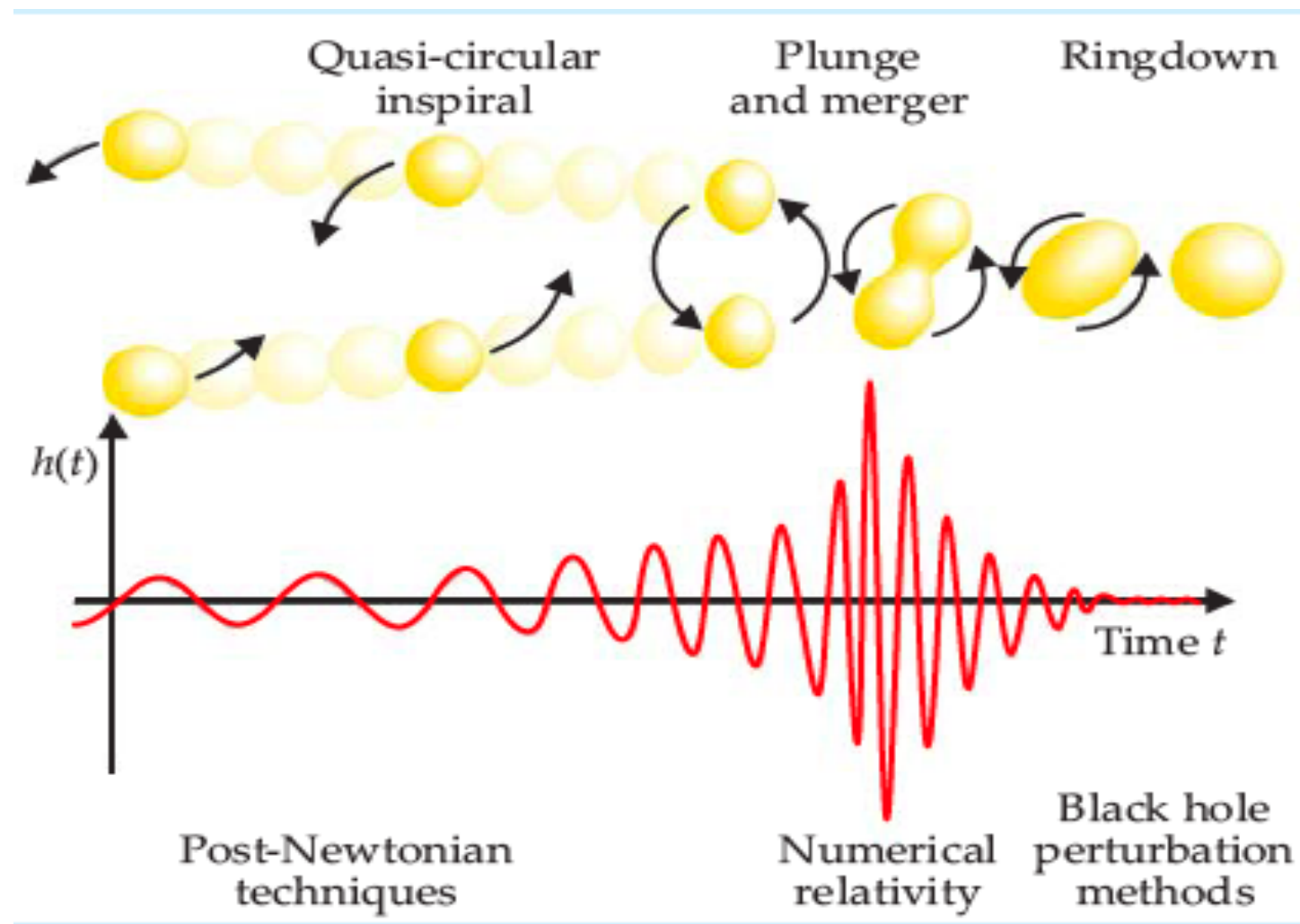
- Subtracting the **best-fit template** from the data and testing whether the residuals are consistent with pure noise
- a non-parametrization method



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## ► 2. Parametrized tests:



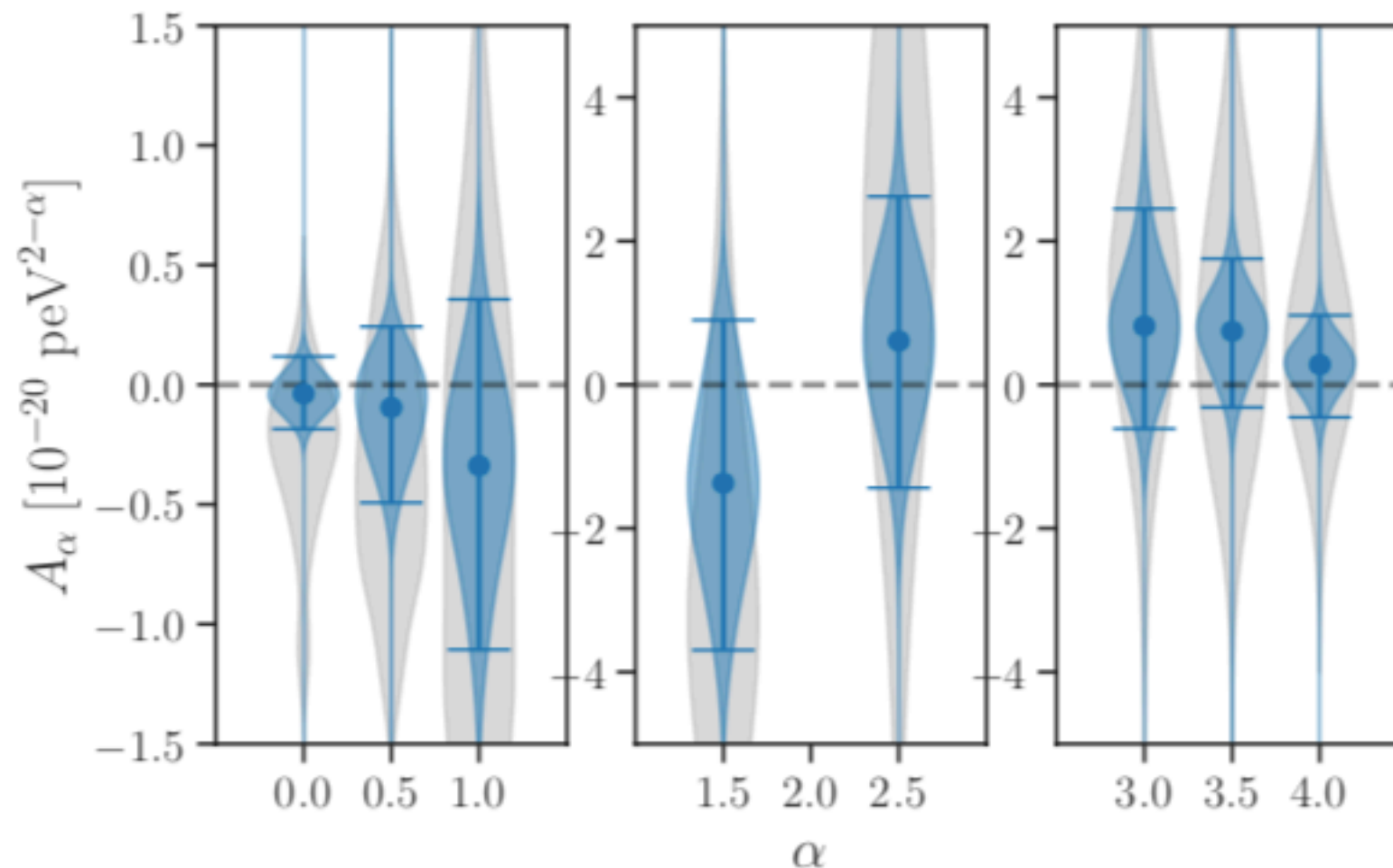
$$h = h_{\text{GR}} + \delta h_{\text{nonGR}}$$



## ► 3. Possible propagation modification effects on GR:

- Modifying dispersion relation:  $E^2 = p^2 c^2 + A p^\alpha c^\alpha$
- Massive Graviton:  $\alpha = 0 \rightarrow A = m_g^2 c^4$

[2010.14529](#)



- $m_g \leq 1.76 \times 10^{-23} \text{ eV}/c^2 \rightarrow \text{Compton wavelength: } 7 \times 10^{13} \text{ km}$

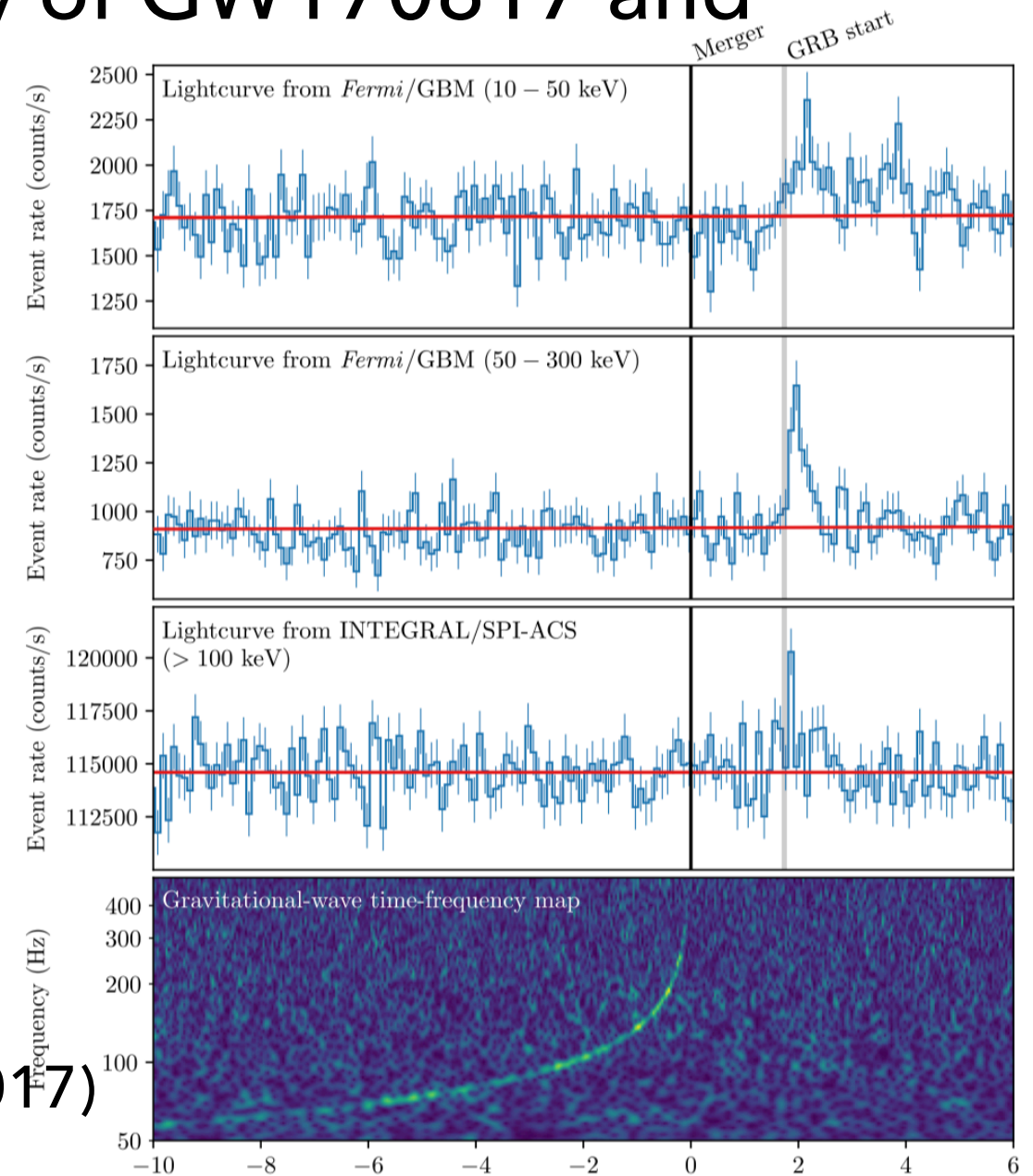




- ▶ 4: Speed  $\rightarrow$  with the time delay of GW170817 and GRB170817A

$$-3 \times 10^{-15} < \frac{v_g}{v_c} - 1 < 7 \times 10^{-16}$$

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- ▶ Constraining models of dark energy and dark matter from modified gravity



# SUMMARY: TESTING GR WITH GW

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- ▶ Model independent tests
  - e.g. previous slides
- ▶ Model specific tests:
  - e.g. Einstein-dilaton-Gauss-Bonnet
  - dynamical Chern-Simons gravity.
- ▶ Effective Field Theory
  - Adding higher derivative terms into the action



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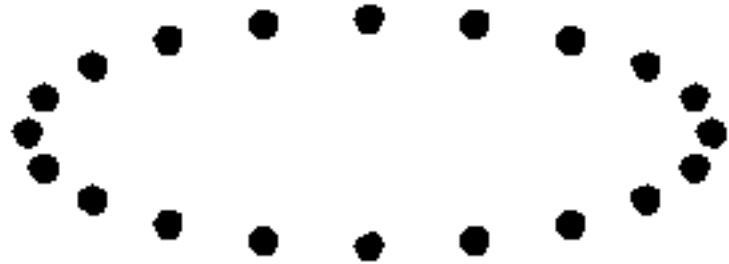
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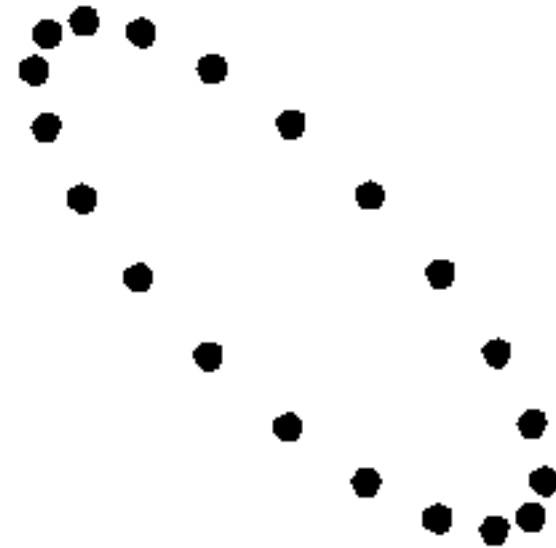


# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

## ► Polarization of GW:



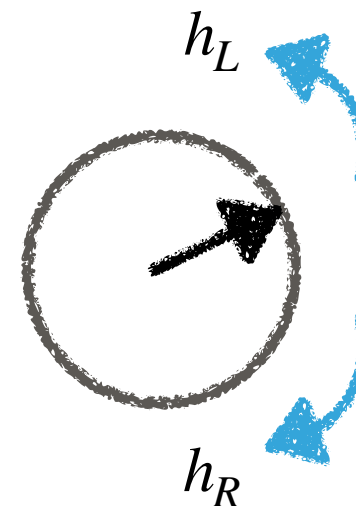
$h_+$



$h_x$

## ► Changing the linear polarization basis to circular polarization basis:

$$h_L = \frac{h_+ + ih_x}{\sqrt{2}}, h_R = \frac{h_+ - ih_x}{\sqrt{2}}$$



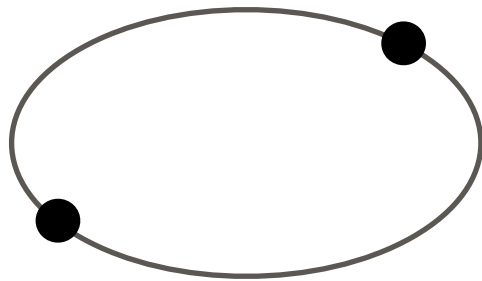
Parity of GW: invariance  
under transformation  
between L and R!





# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

- ▶ Focusing on the **propagation modification** due to **parity broken** (symmetry between the left- and right-handed GW states)



GW generation:  
Strong dynamical field



GW propagation: weak field

1. Action from effective field theory → 2. Equation of Motion → 3. GW waveform → 4. Comparing with data → 5. (un)luckily no violation, put constraints



# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

- 1. Linearized action for GW propagation in a FRW Universe in **General Relativity (GR)**

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int dt d^3x a^3 \left[ \frac{1}{4} \dot{h}_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{4a^2} (\partial_k h_{ij})^2 \right], \quad \text{a: scale factor, can be set to 1 in this work}$$

- 2. Equation of motion:  $\eta$ : conformal time

$$h_{ij} = \sum_{A=R,L} \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} h_A(k, \eta) e^{i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}} p_{ij}^A(\hat{k}), \quad p_{ij}^L = \frac{e_{ij}^+ + ie_{ij}^\times}{\sqrt{2}}, p_{ij}^R = \frac{e_{ij}^+ - ie_{ij}^\times}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$h_A'' + 2\mathcal{H}h_A' + k^2 h_A = 0, \quad \mathcal{H}: \text{Hubble parameter} \quad k: \text{wave number}$$

- A=Left/ Right circular polarized state, following the **same** equation of motion

$$h_L = \frac{h_+ + ih_\times}{\sqrt{2}}, h_R = \frac{h_+ - ih_\times}{\sqrt{2}}$$



# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

- ▶ 1. Linearized action for GW propagation in a FRW Universe in **Effective Field Theory** (to the leading order, three derivatives)

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int dt d^3x \left[ \frac{1}{4} \dot{h}_{ij}^2 - \frac{1}{4} (\partial_k h_{ij})^2 + \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{c_1}{M_{\text{PV}}} \epsilon^{ijk} \dot{h}_{il} \partial_j \dot{h}_{kl} + \frac{c_2}{M_{\text{PV}}} \epsilon^{ijk} \partial^2 h_{il} \partial_j h_{kl} \right) \right],$$

$c_1, c_2$ : free parameters to be determined by a specific theory, **can be set to 1**

$M_{\text{PV}}$ : energy threshold in EFT

$\epsilon^{ijk}$ : anti-symmetric symbol

- ▶ For a detailed derivation for the total derivatives, c.f. PRL 113, 231301 (2014)
- ▶ An example for the above action: Horava Lifschitz gravity

- T. Takahashi and J. Soda, Phys. Rev. Lett. 102, 231301 (2009).
- A. Wang, Q. Wu, W. Zhao, and T. Zhu, Phys. Rev. D 87, 103512 (2013).



# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

- ▶ 2. Equation of motion (EoM):

$$h_A'' + (2 + \nu_A)\mathcal{H}h_A' + (1 + \mu_A)k^2h_A = 0 ,$$

Amplitude birefringence

velocity/phase birefringence

- ▶ For different polarized states,  $\nu_A, \mu_A$  takes different sign  $\rightarrow$  birefringence

$$\mu_A = \frac{\rho_A(c_1 - c_2)k}{M_{pv}} \quad \nu_A = -\frac{\rho_A c_1 k}{M_{pv}\mathcal{H}} \quad \rho_A = \pm 1 \text{ for L and R}$$

$c_1 = c_2 \rightarrow$  amplitude birefringence

- ▶ 3. GW waveform / solution of the EoM:

$$h_A^{PV} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\tilde{c}}} \exp\left(-\int (1 + \frac{\nu_A}{2})\mathcal{H}d\tau\right) \exp\left(ik\int \tilde{c}dk\right) \cdot h_A^{GR}$$

- speed of GW:  $\tilde{c} = \sqrt{1 + \mu_A} \sim k^2$
- dispersion relation  $E^2 = p^2 \pm Ap^3$





# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

- ▶ 3. Solving the equation of motion, the GW waveform is:

$$h_A^{\text{PV}}(f) = h_A^{\text{GR}}(f) (1 + \rho_A \delta h) e^{i\rho_A \delta \Psi}$$

velocity/phase birefringence

Amplitude birefringence

$\rho_A = \pm 1$  for left and right, respectively

$$h_L = \frac{h_+ + ih_\times}{\sqrt{2}}, h_R = \frac{h_+ - ih_\times}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$h = \frac{\delta L}{L} = F_+ h_+ + F_\times h_\times$$

$h$ : Strain

$F_+, F_\times$ : antenna pattern function



# TESTING PARITY SYMMETRY OF GRAVITY

- ▶ 3. GW waveform:  $\delta h$  is negligibly small

$$h_+^{\text{PV}}(f) = h_+^{\text{GR}}(f) - h_\times^{\text{GR}}(f)(i\delta h - \delta\Psi),$$

$$h_\times^{\text{PV}}(f) = h_\times^{\text{GR}}(f) + h_+^{\text{GR}}(f)(i\delta h - \delta\Psi).$$

$$\delta\Psi(f) = A_\mu(\pi f)^2/H_0, \quad A_\mu = M_{\text{PV}}^{-1} \int_0^z \frac{(1+z')dz'}{\sqrt{\Omega_M(1+z')^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}},$$

f: frequency of GW

- ▶ 4. With the waveform and data, we can perform GW parameter inference and estimate  $A_\mu$

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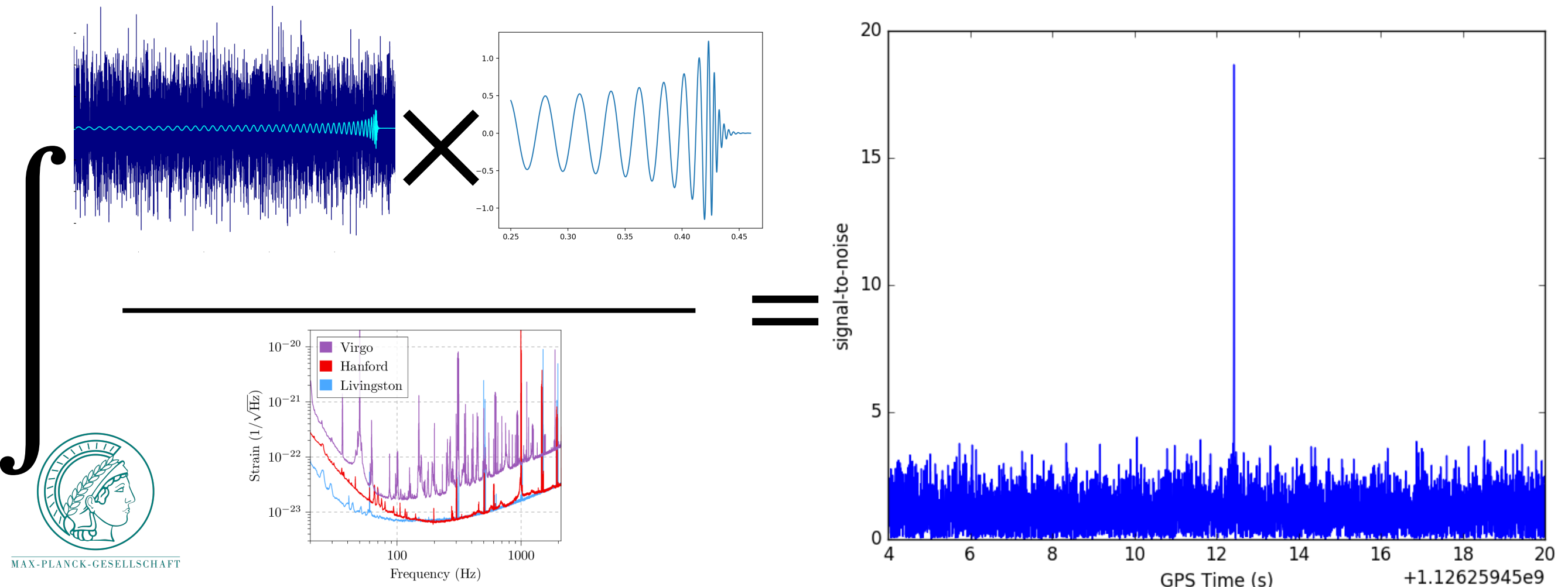


## ► 5. How to perform parameter estimation? By **match filtering**

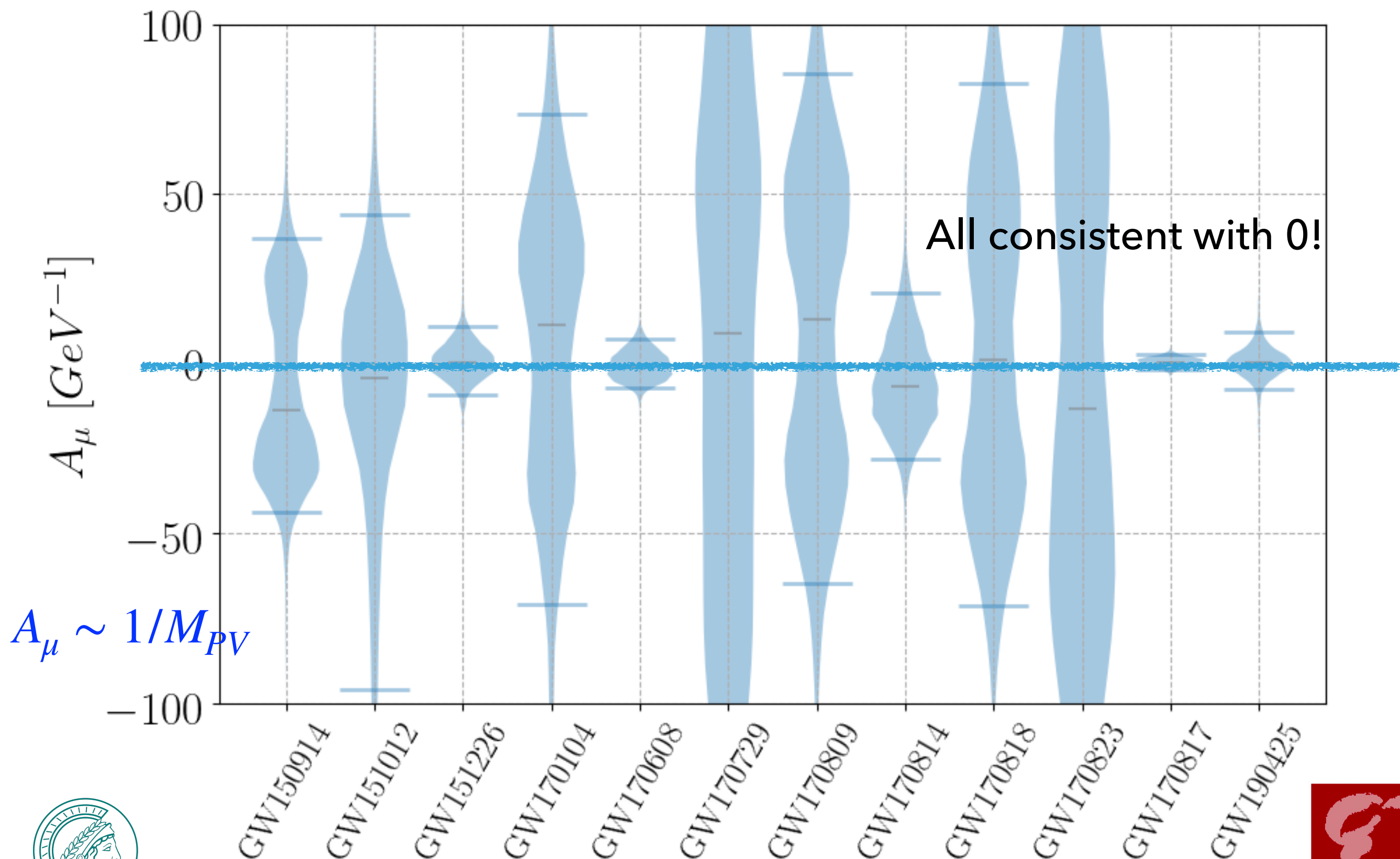
$$\frac{S}{N}(t) = 4\Re \int_0^\infty \frac{\tilde{s}(f)\tilde{h}^*(f)}{S_n(f)} \exp^{2\pi i f t} df$$

Signal
Template

Noise power spectrum



# RESULTS:



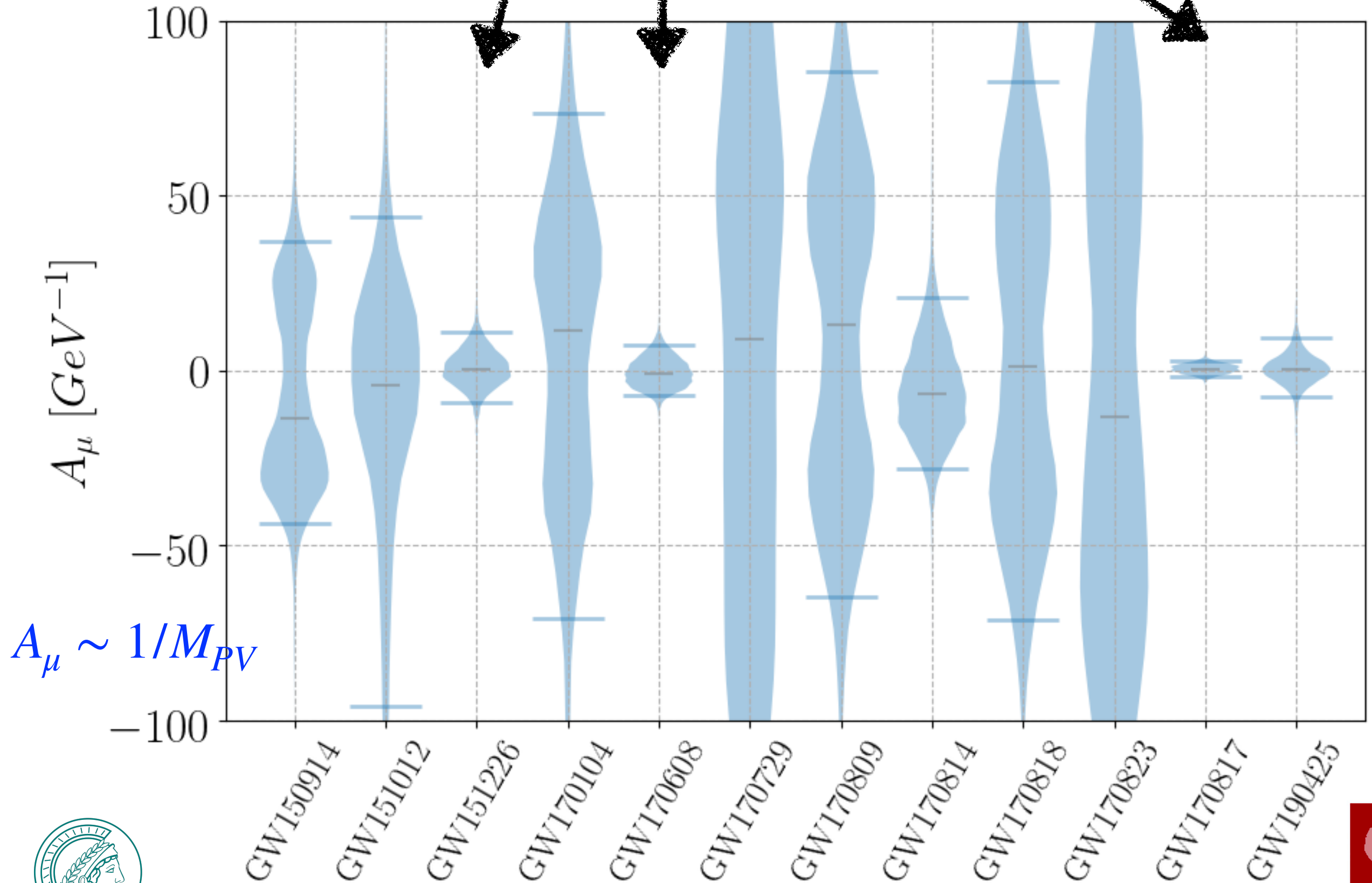
10 Binary Black Hole + 2 Binary Neutron Star





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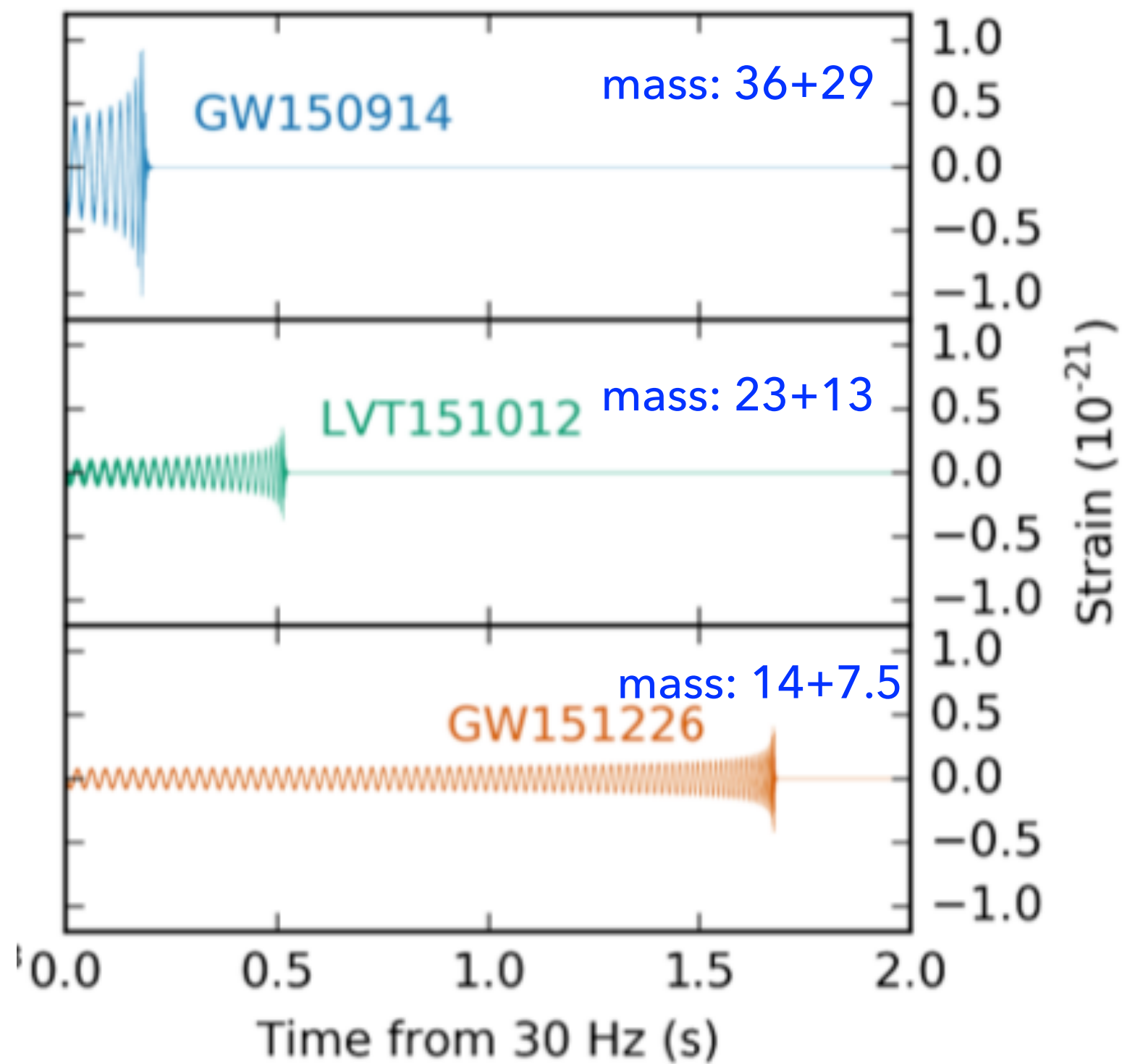
Low mass events yield better constraints



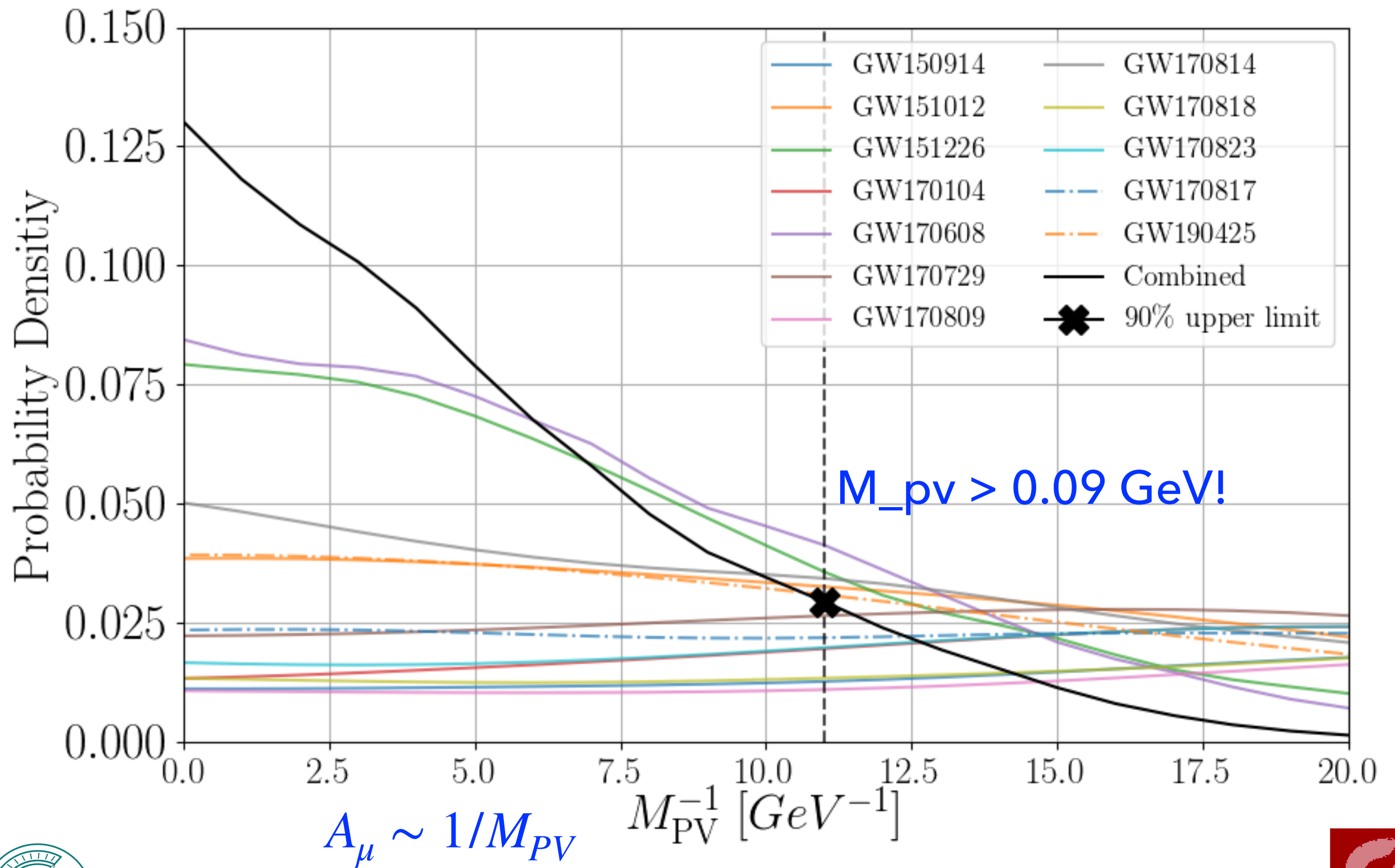
$$A_\mu \sim 1/M_{PV}$$



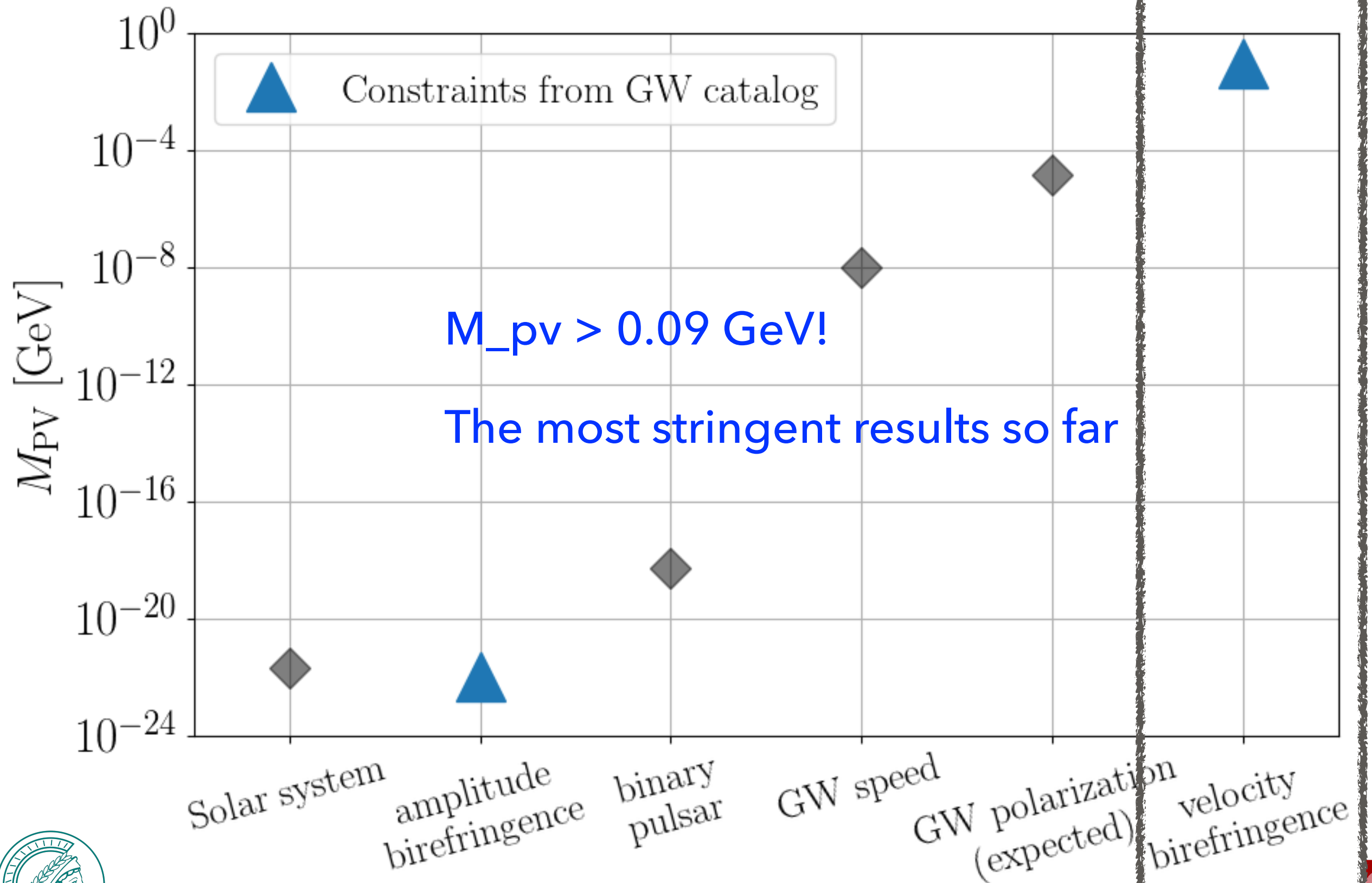
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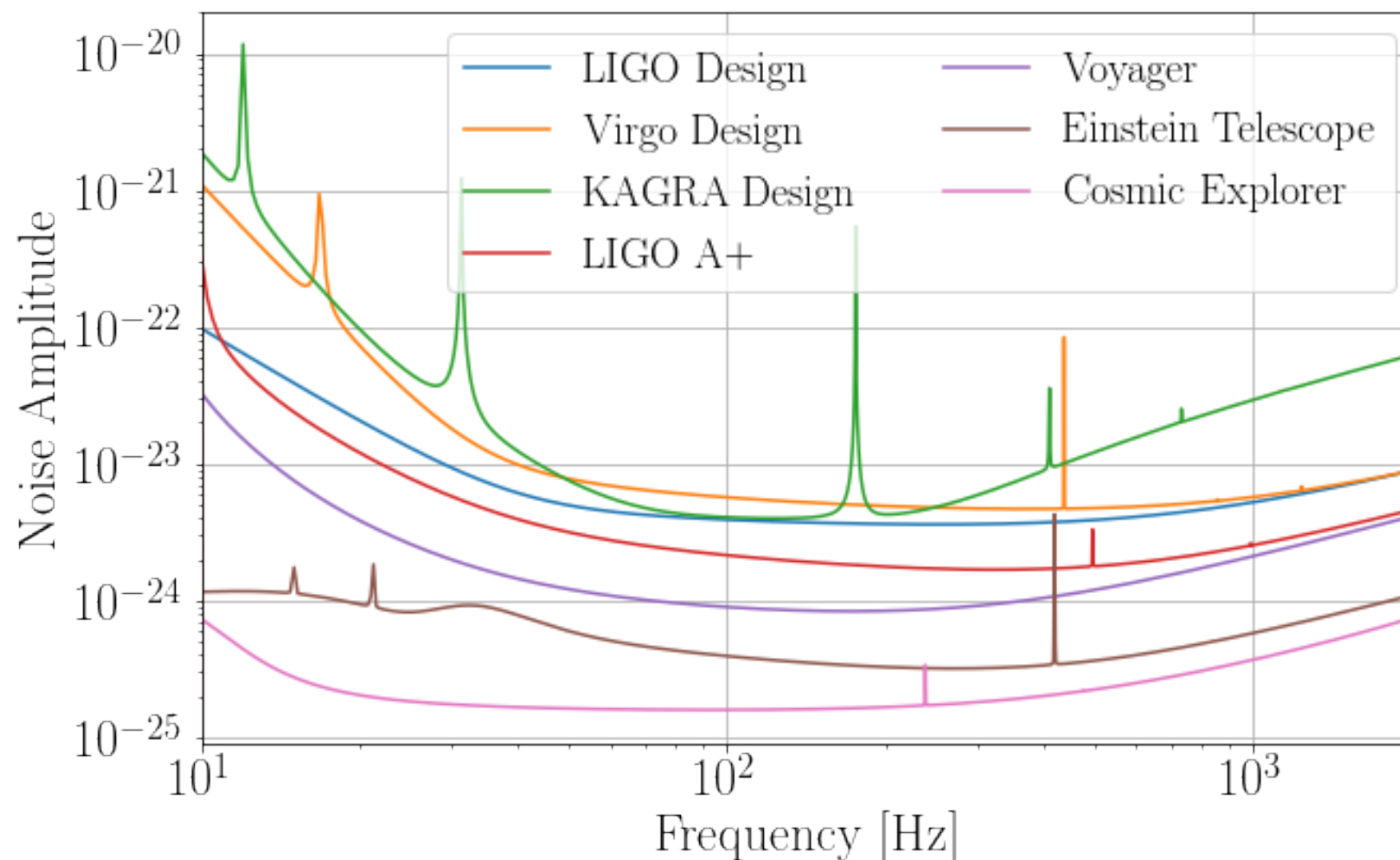


# COMPARISON WITH EXISTING RESULTS:



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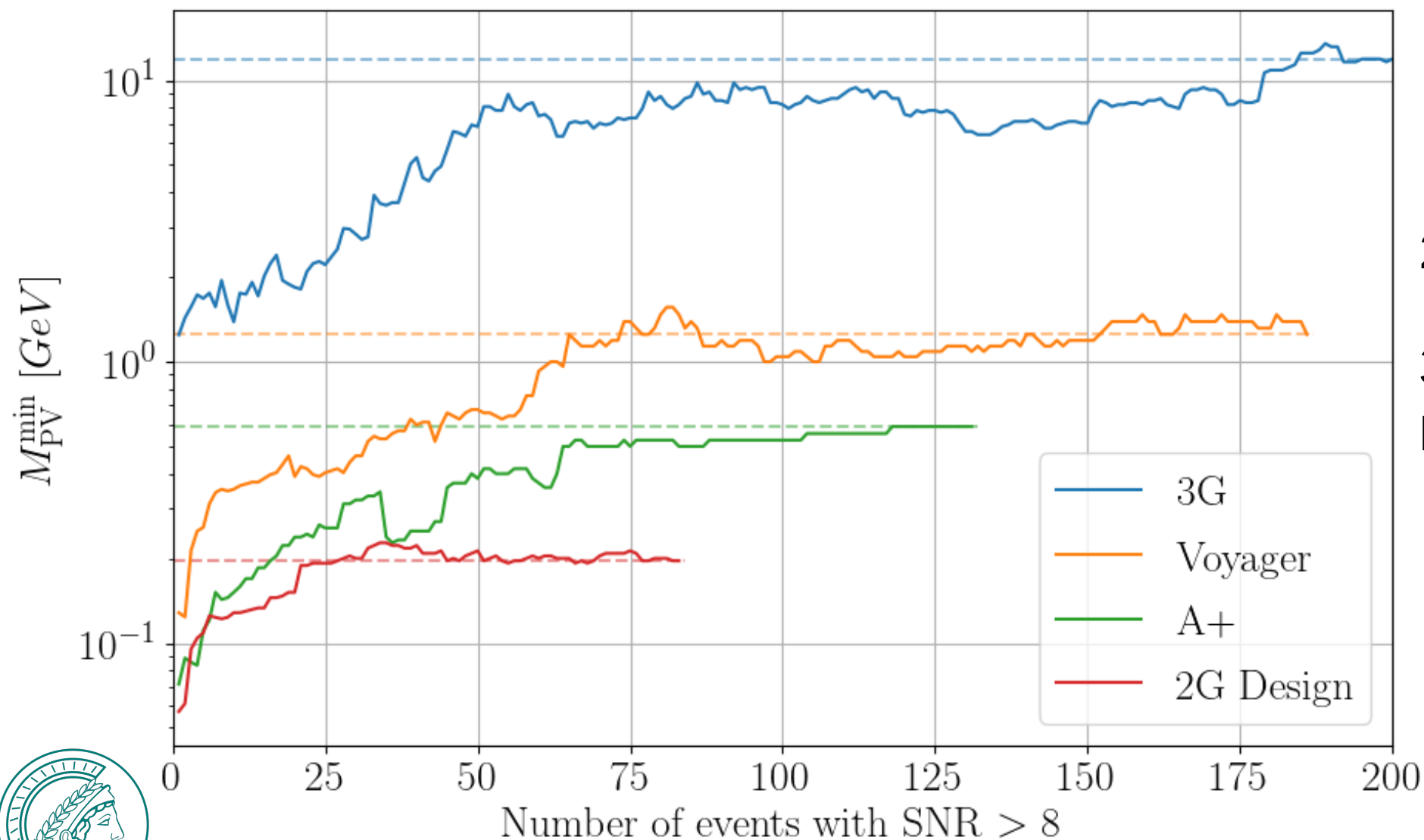
- ▶ LIGO and Virgo are constantly upgrading towards design sensitivity
- ▶ KAGRA joined
- ▶ 2.5 generation design: LIGO A+, Voyager
- ▶ 3rd generation design: Cosmic Explorer, Einstein Telescope





# FUTURE GW DETECTORS:

- ▶ Inject 200 sources uniformly located within 2Gpc (5Gpc for the third generation detector network), mass uniformly  $[5,50]M_{\odot}$
- ▶ Choose Signal to Noise Ratio (SNR)  $> 8$  to be detection threshold



2G = LIGO+Virgo+KAGRA

3G = Cosmic Explorer +  
Einstein Telescope



# TO SUMMARIZE:

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- GW can put interesting constraints on the parity-violating energy scale at GeV scale —> high energy regime!
- Testing GR with effective field theory has clear physical meaning
- All posterior results are released in <https://github.com/yi-fan-wang/ParitywithGW> to facilitate open data GW science

