

CONSTRAINING THE NEUTRON STAR EQUATION OF STATE WITH GRAVITATIONAL WAVE OBSERVATIONS

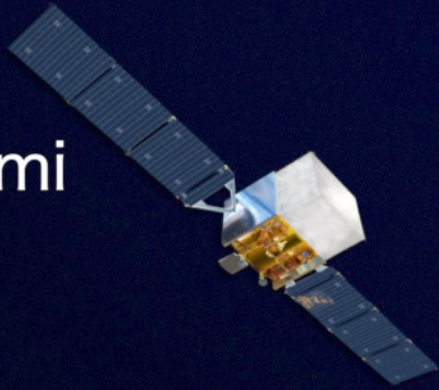
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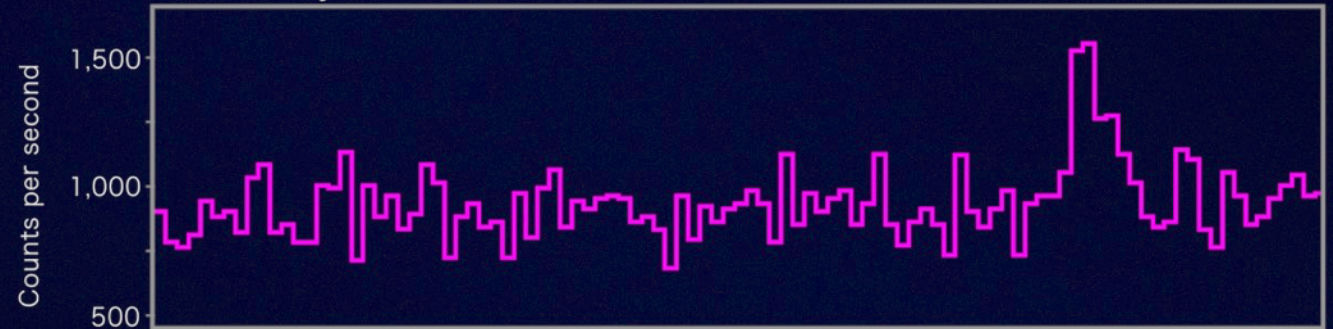
GW170817: The First Binary Neutron Star Merger

Fermi



Gamma rays, 50 to 300 keV

GRB 170817A

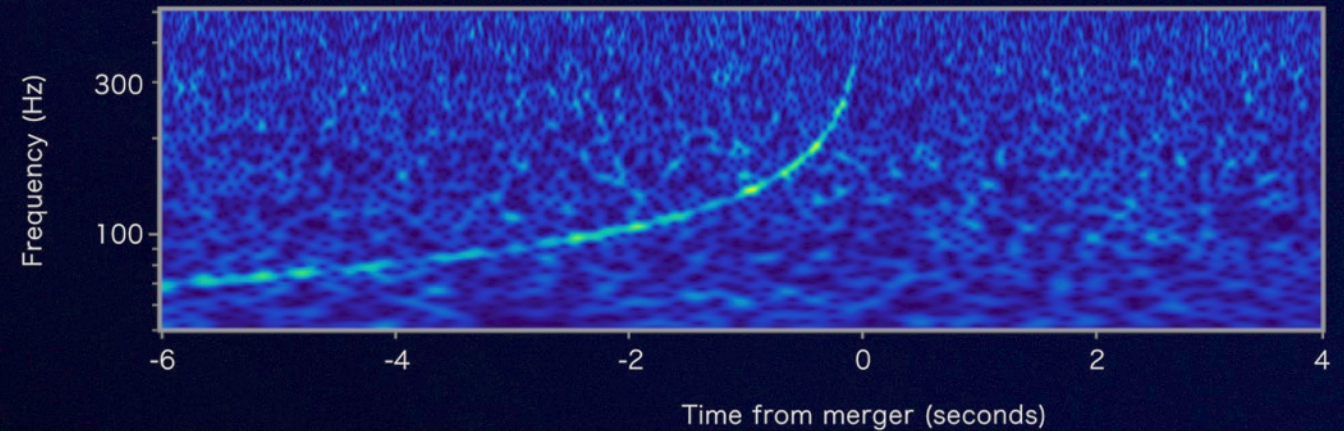


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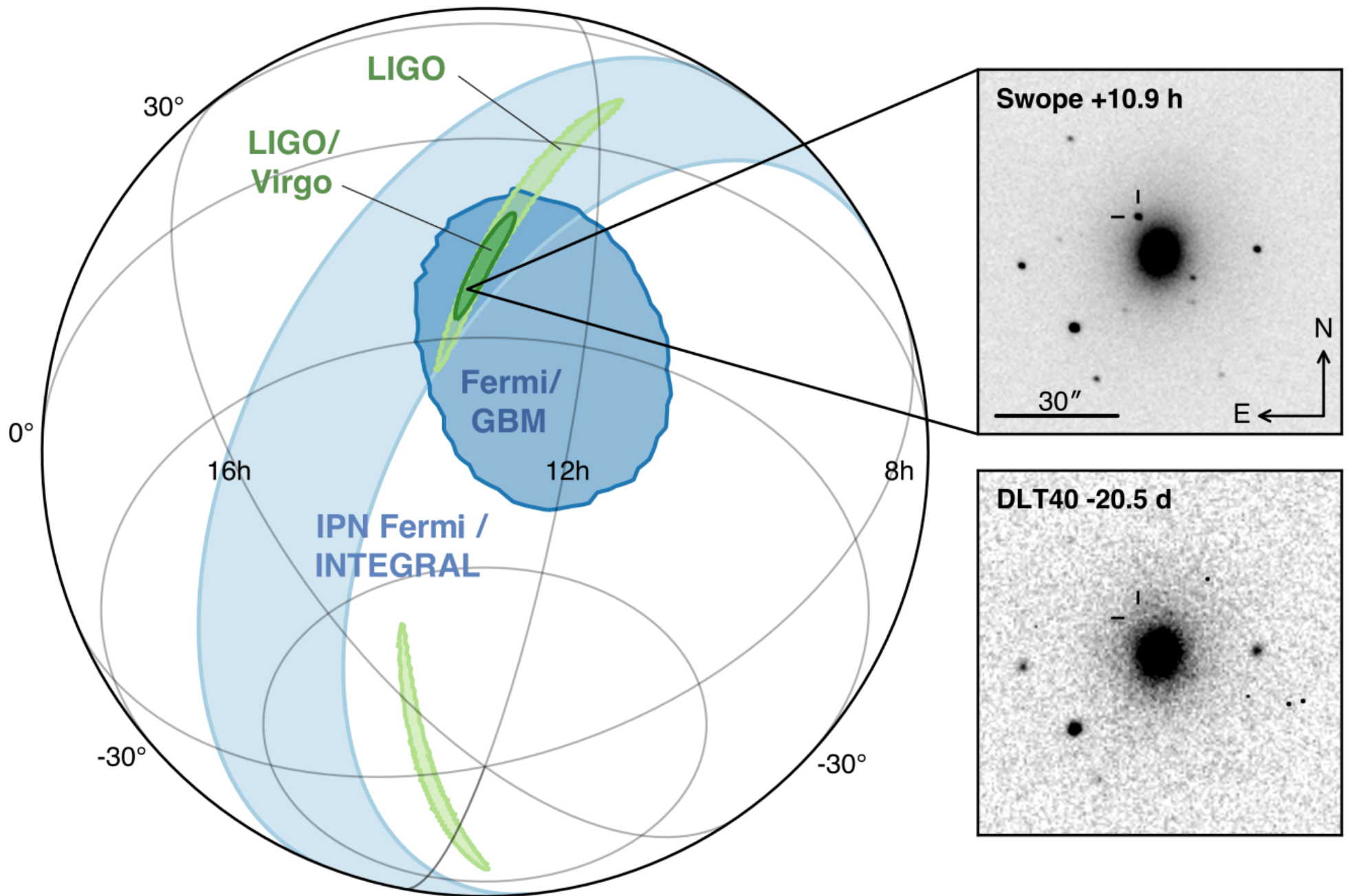


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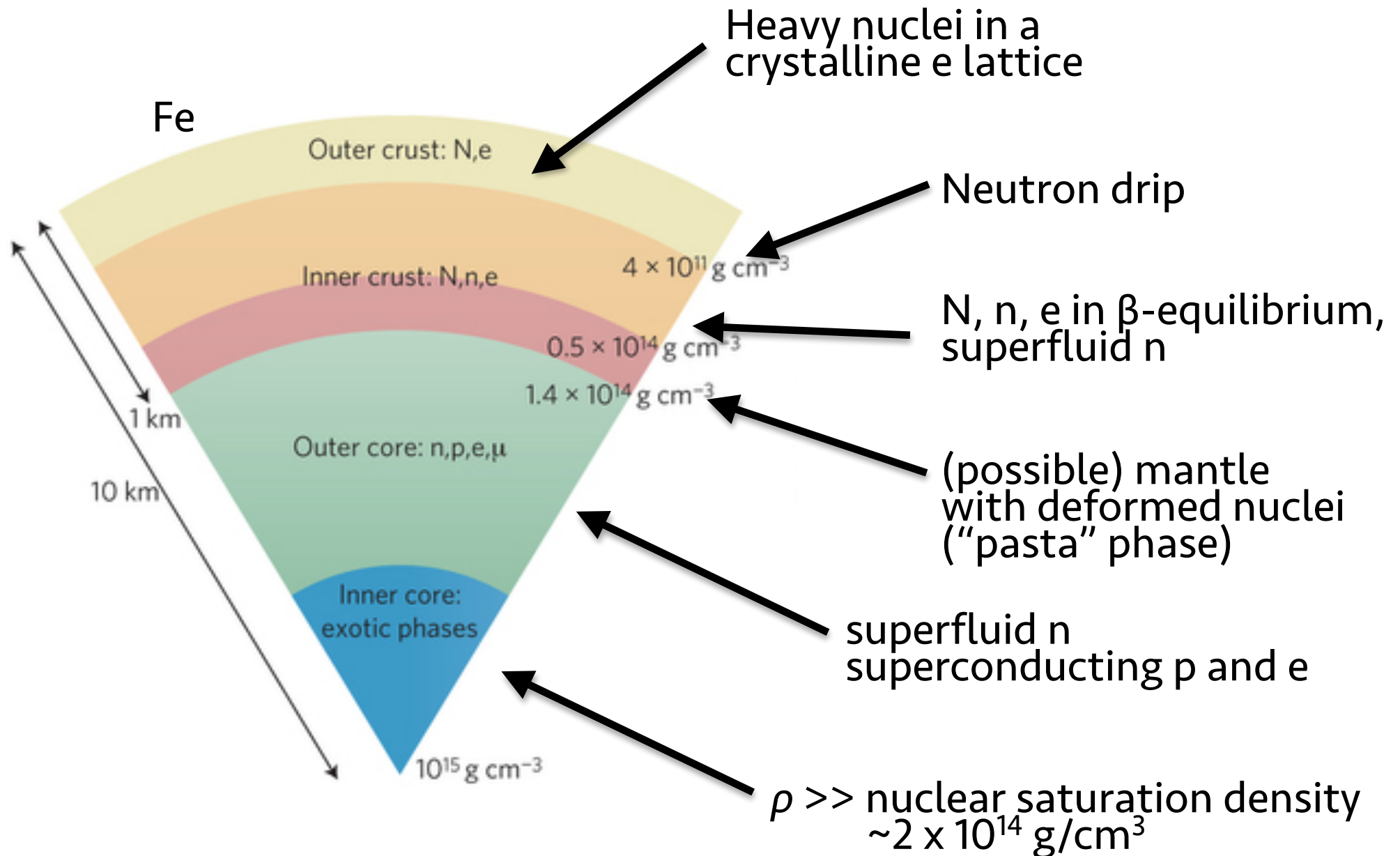
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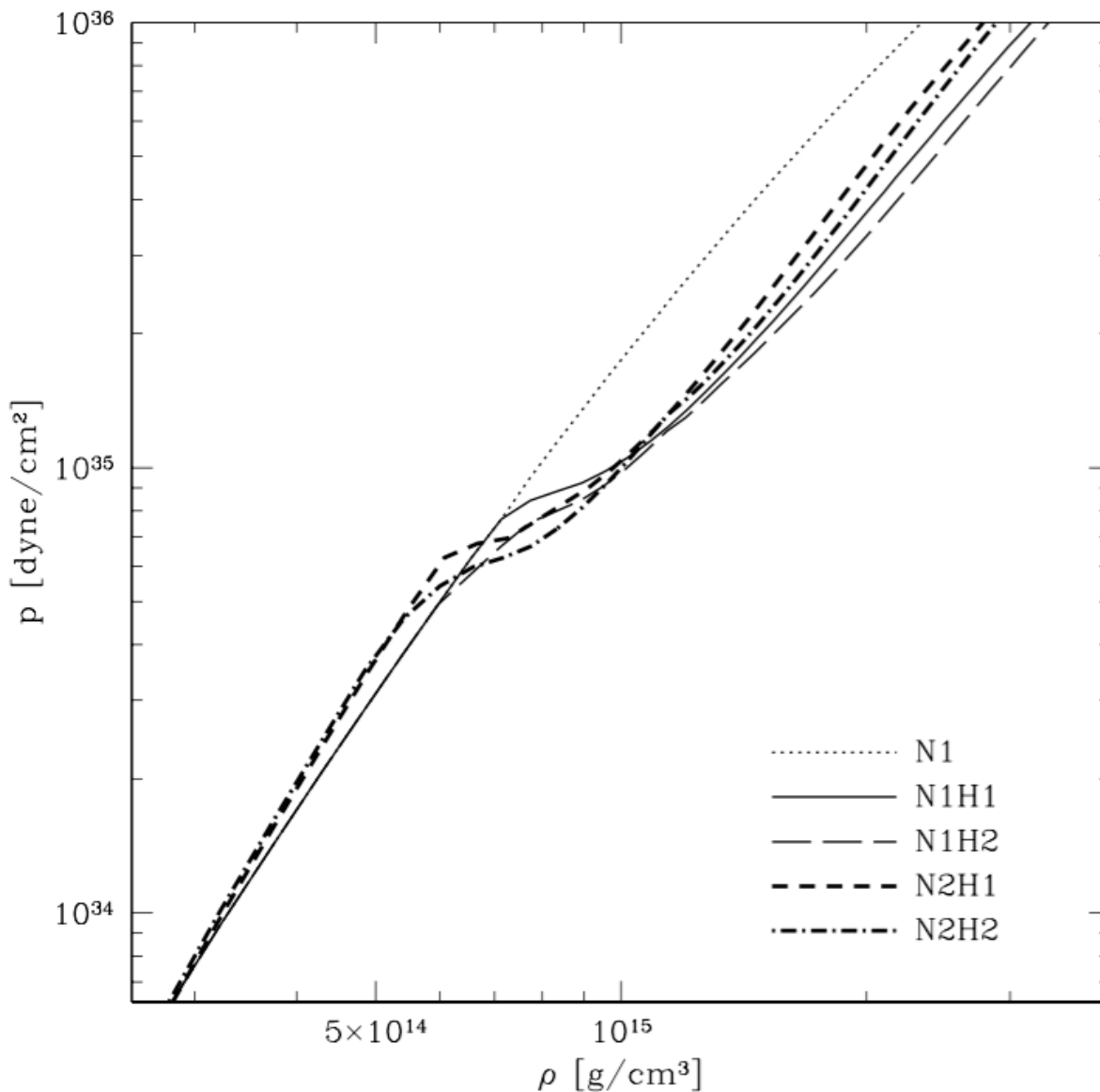
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Interior Structure



Equation of State (EOS)



Hyperon = baryon (i.e. hadron + fermion) made of 3 quarks, with at least one **strange quark**:

- $\Lambda_0 = uds$
- $\Sigma^- = dds$
- $\Xi^0 = uss$
- etc...

Should appear at high density
($\rho > 2\rho_{\text{nuc}}$)

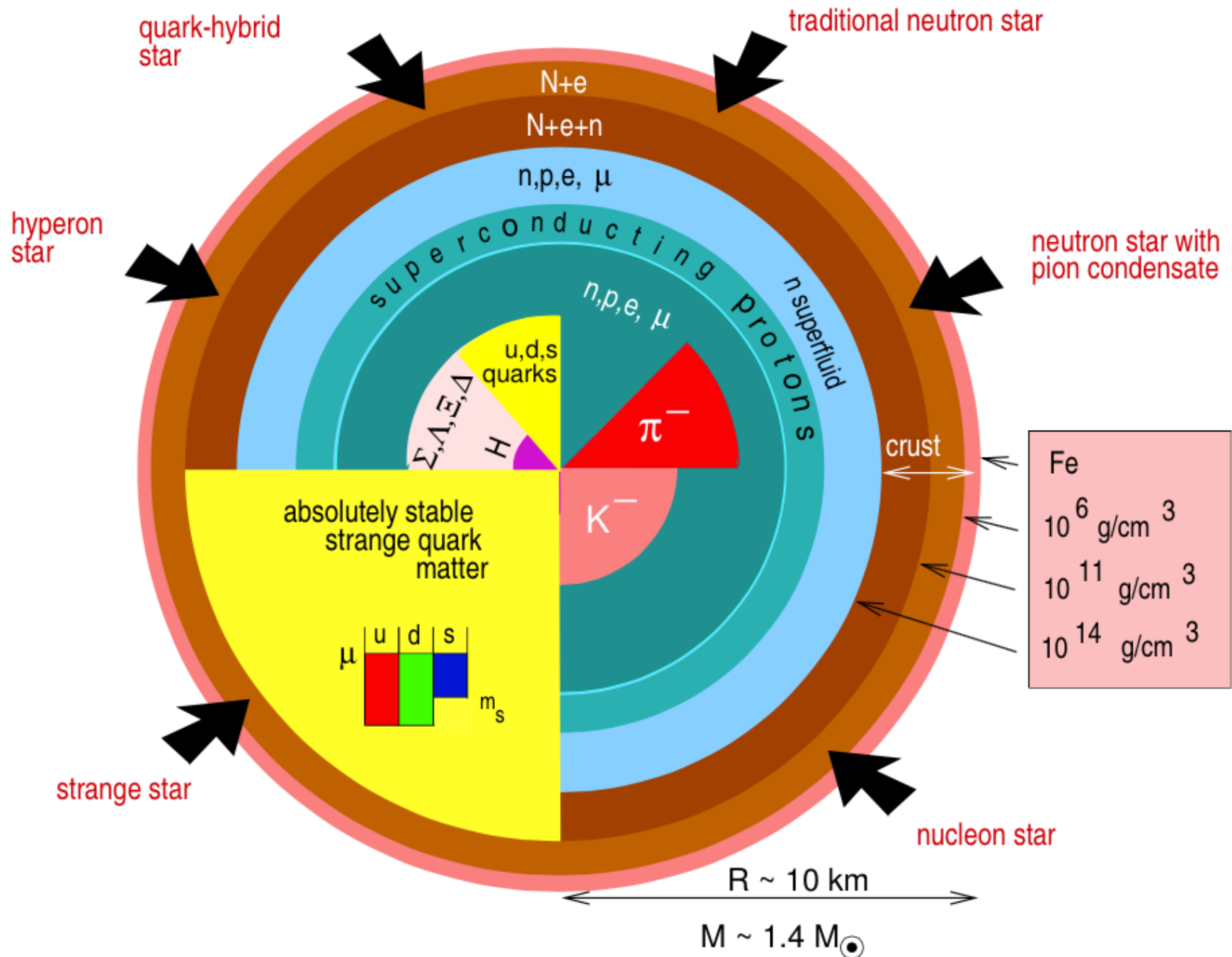
⇒ **EOS softening**

$N1 = np$, $N1H1, N2H1 = np\Lambda\Sigma$,
 $N1H2, N2H2 = np\Lambda\Sigma\Xi$

Balberg & Gal (1997)

(E. Gourgoulhon)

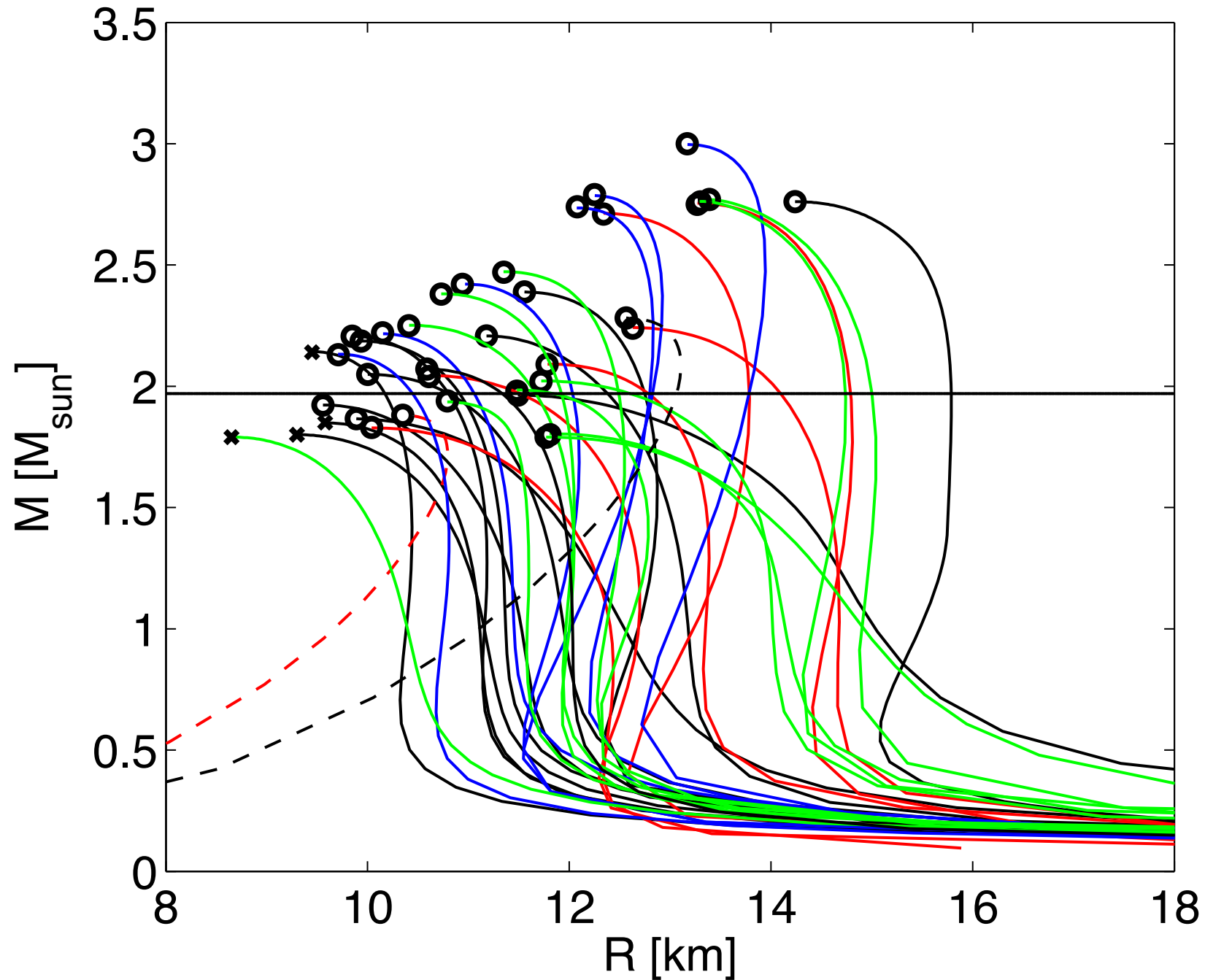
Different Possible Structures



[Weber, J. Phys. G 27, 465 (2001)]

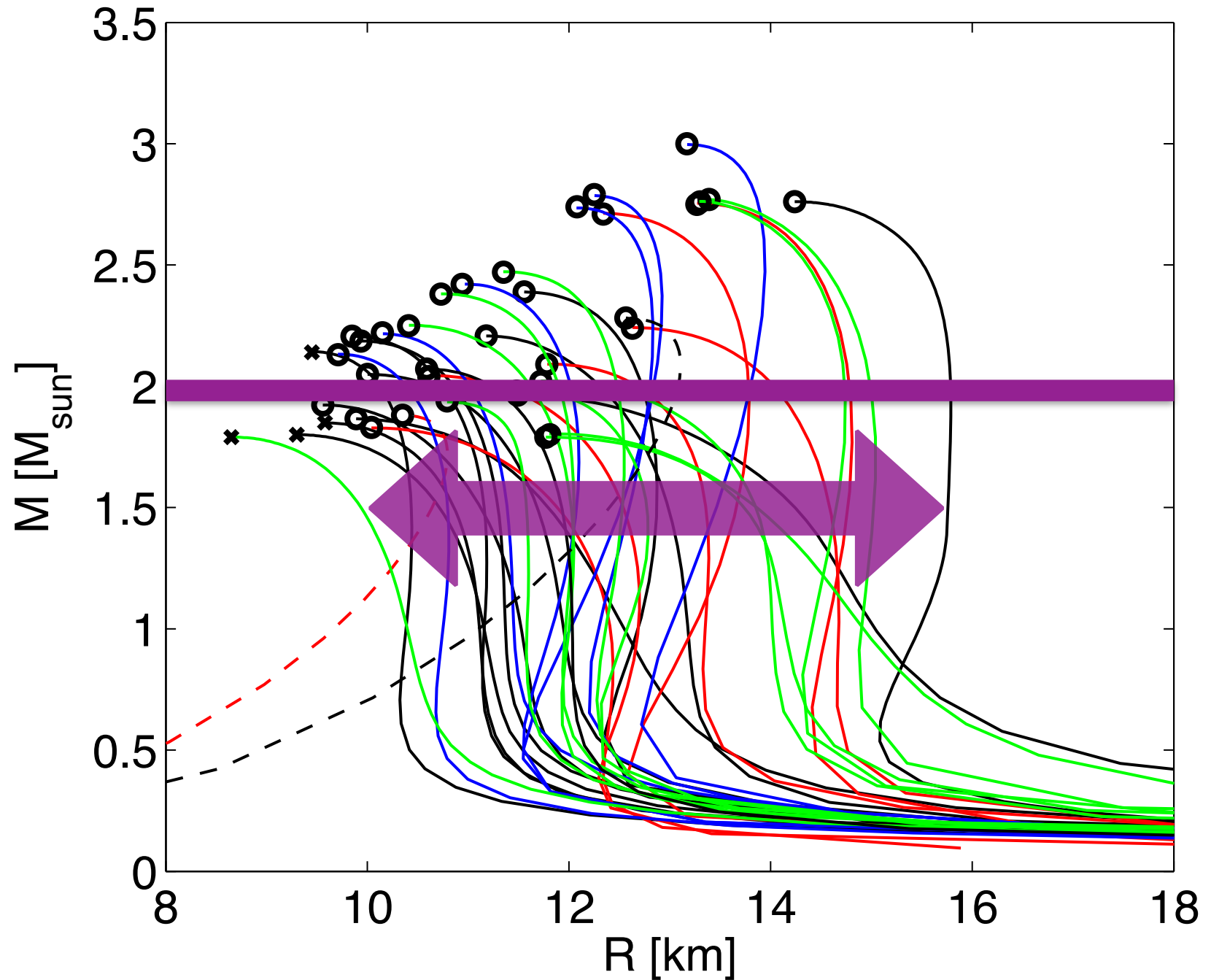
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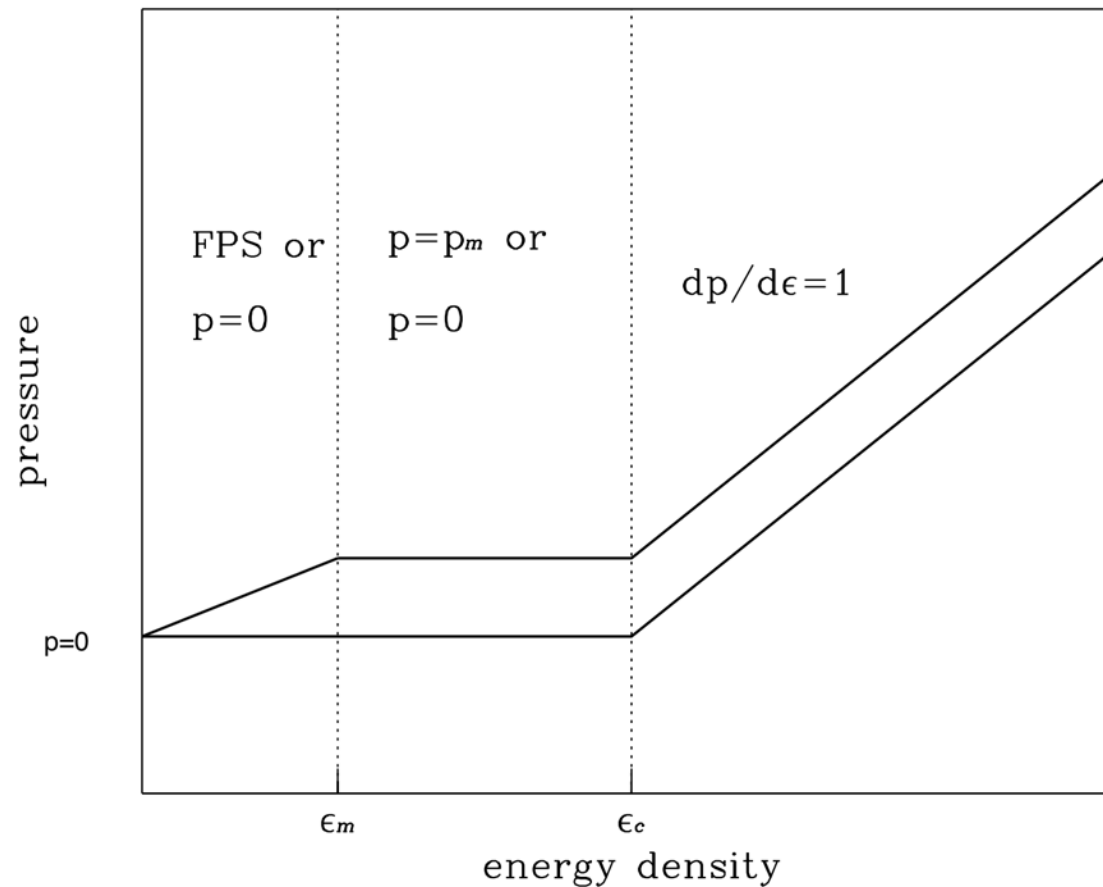
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Maximally-Compact EOS

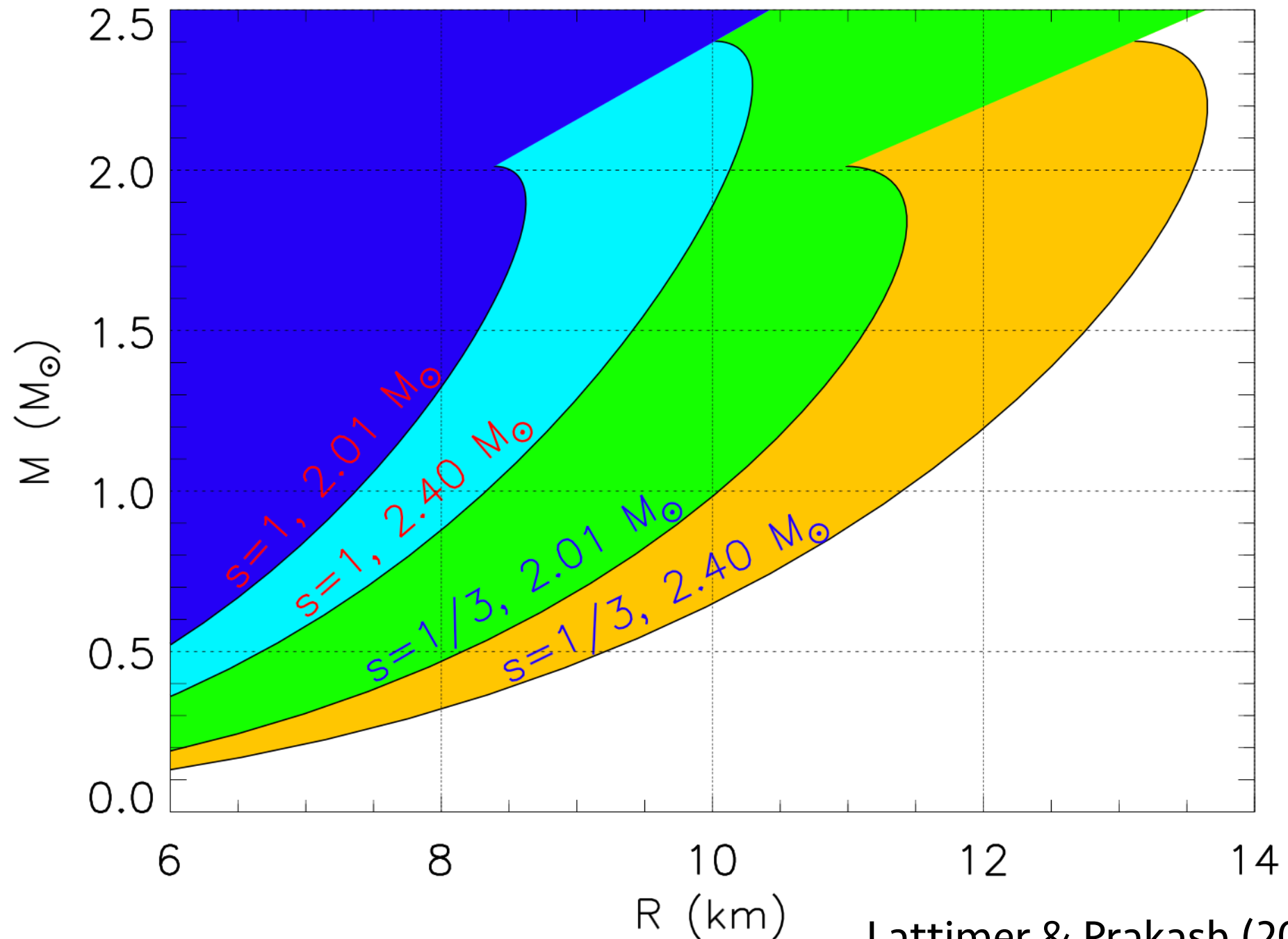
Koranda, NS & Friedman (1997)

Assume that the speed of sound is equal to the speed of light throughout the star ($v_s = c$):

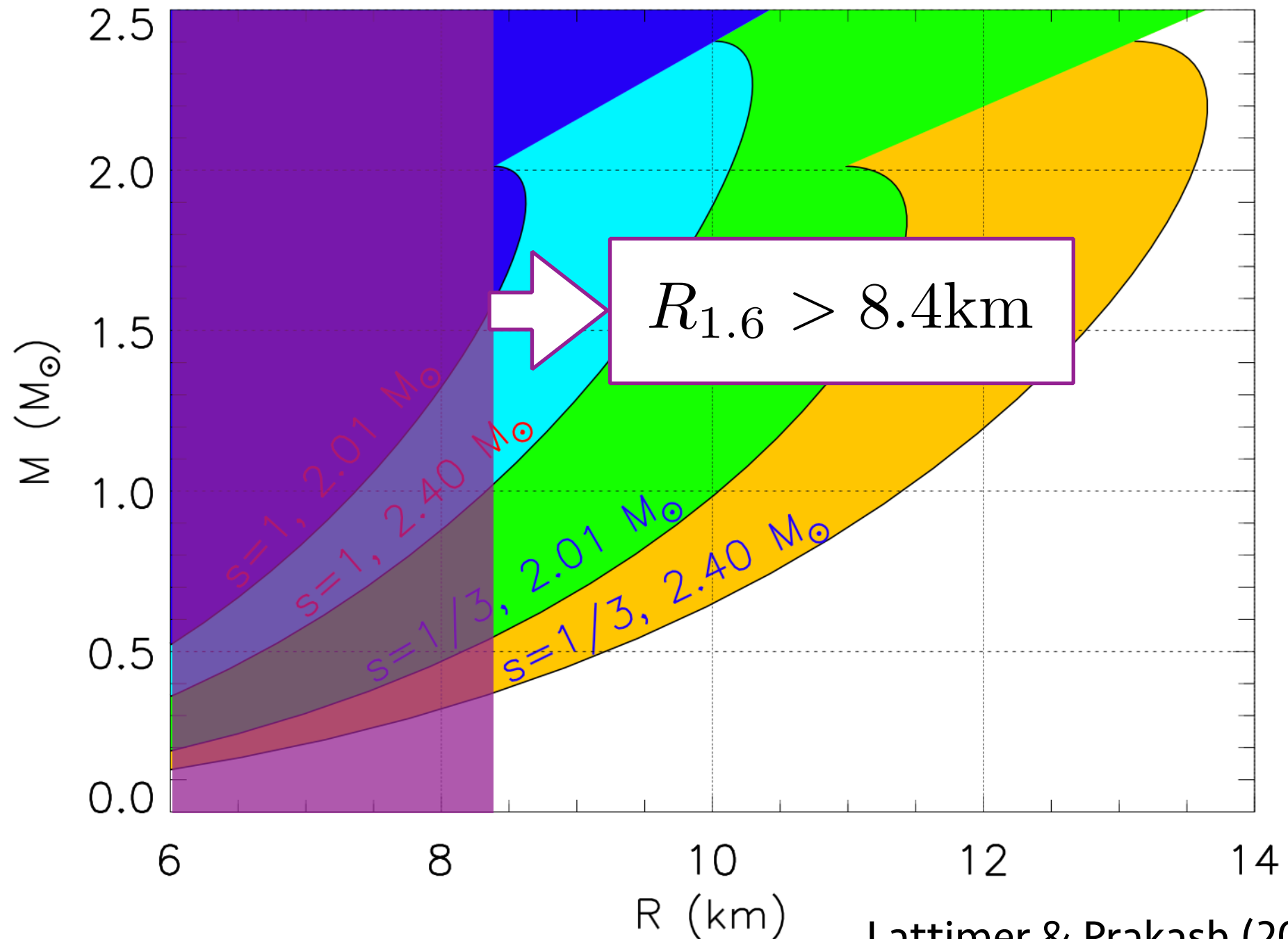


$$p(\epsilon) = \begin{cases} 0 & \epsilon \leq \epsilon_C \\ \epsilon - \epsilon_C & \epsilon \geq \epsilon_C \end{cases}$$

Maximally-Compact EOS Constraints

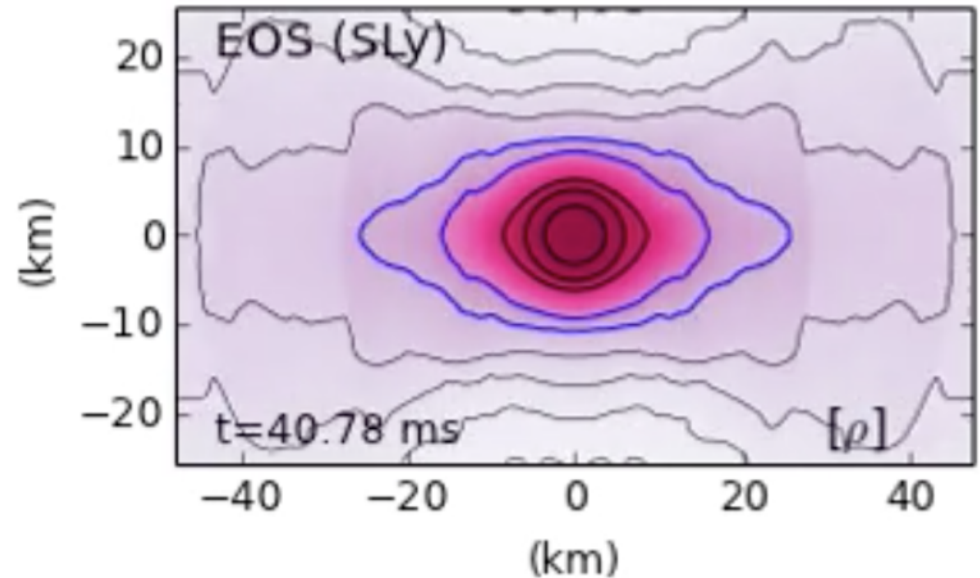
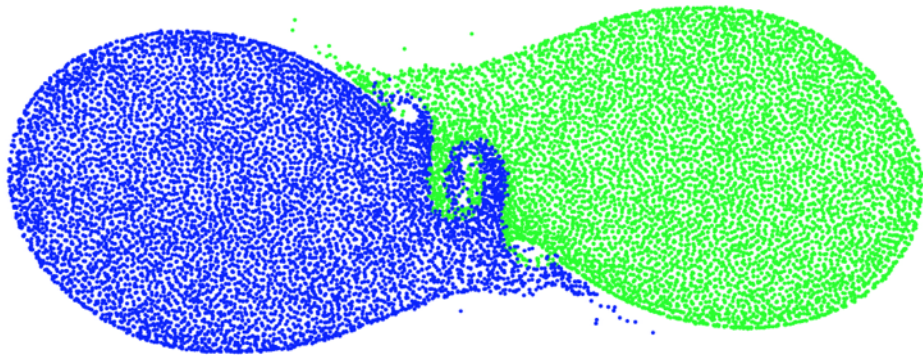


Maximally-Compact EOS Constraints



Lattimer & Prakash (2016)

Outcome of Binary NS Mergers



Most likely range of total mass for binary system:

$$2.4M_{\odot} < M_{\text{tot}} < 3M_{\odot}$$

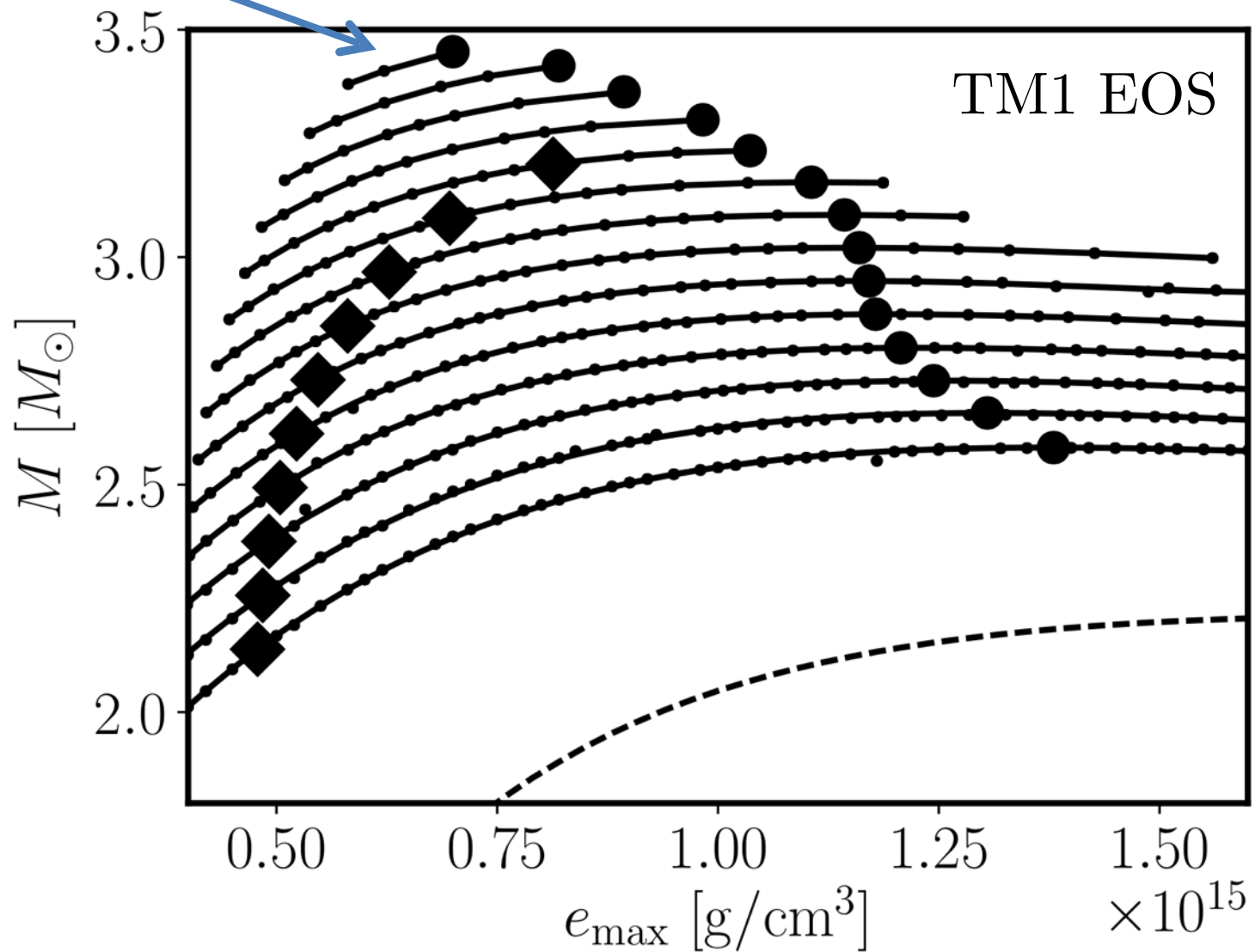
Because nonrotating $M_{\text{max}} > 2M_{\odot}$ (as required by observations), a **long-lived** ($\tau > 10\text{ms}$) remnant is likely to be formed.

The remnant is a **hypermassive neutron star** (HMNS), supported by **differential rotation**, with a mass larger than the maximum mass allowed for uniform rotation.

Differentially Rotating Models

(Bauswein & NS 2017)

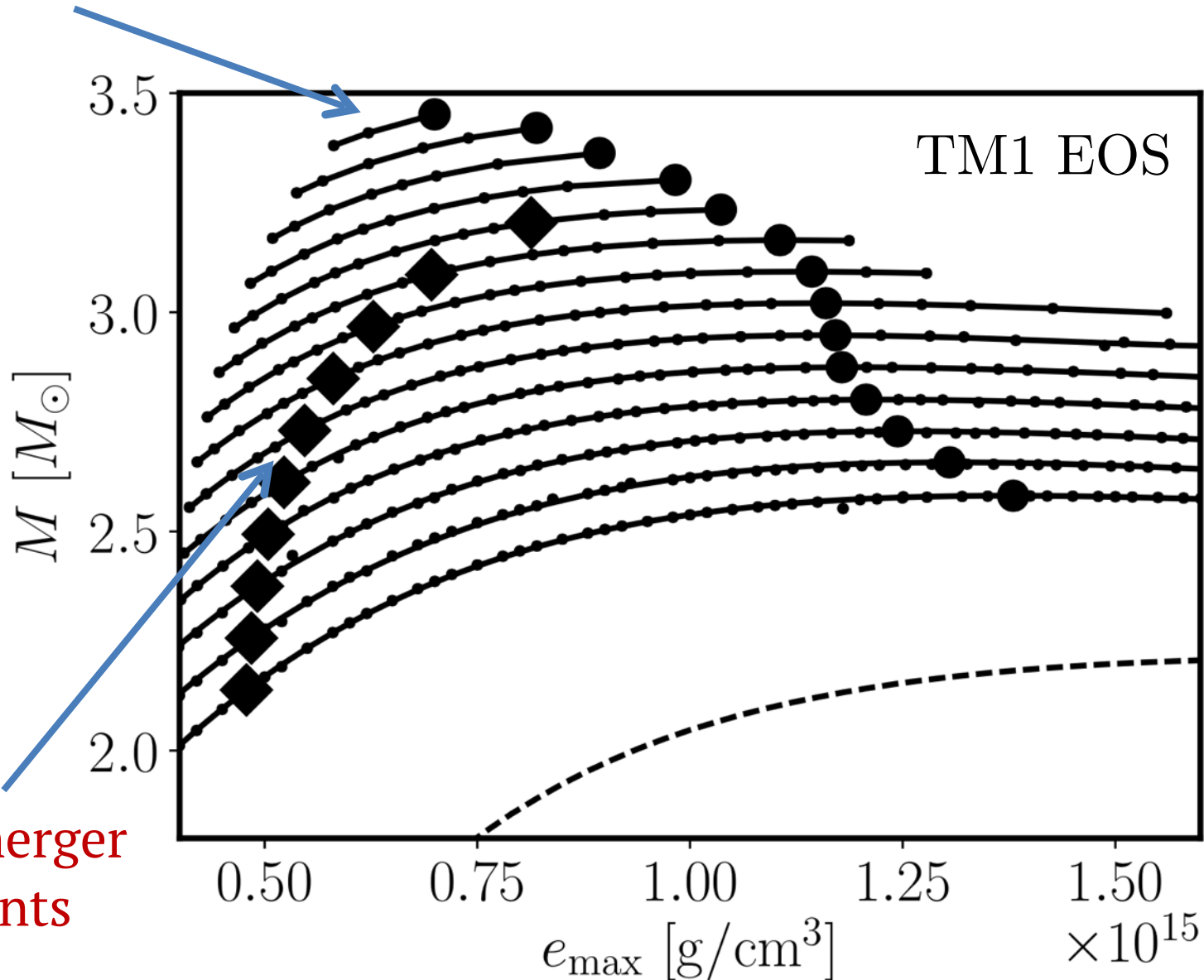
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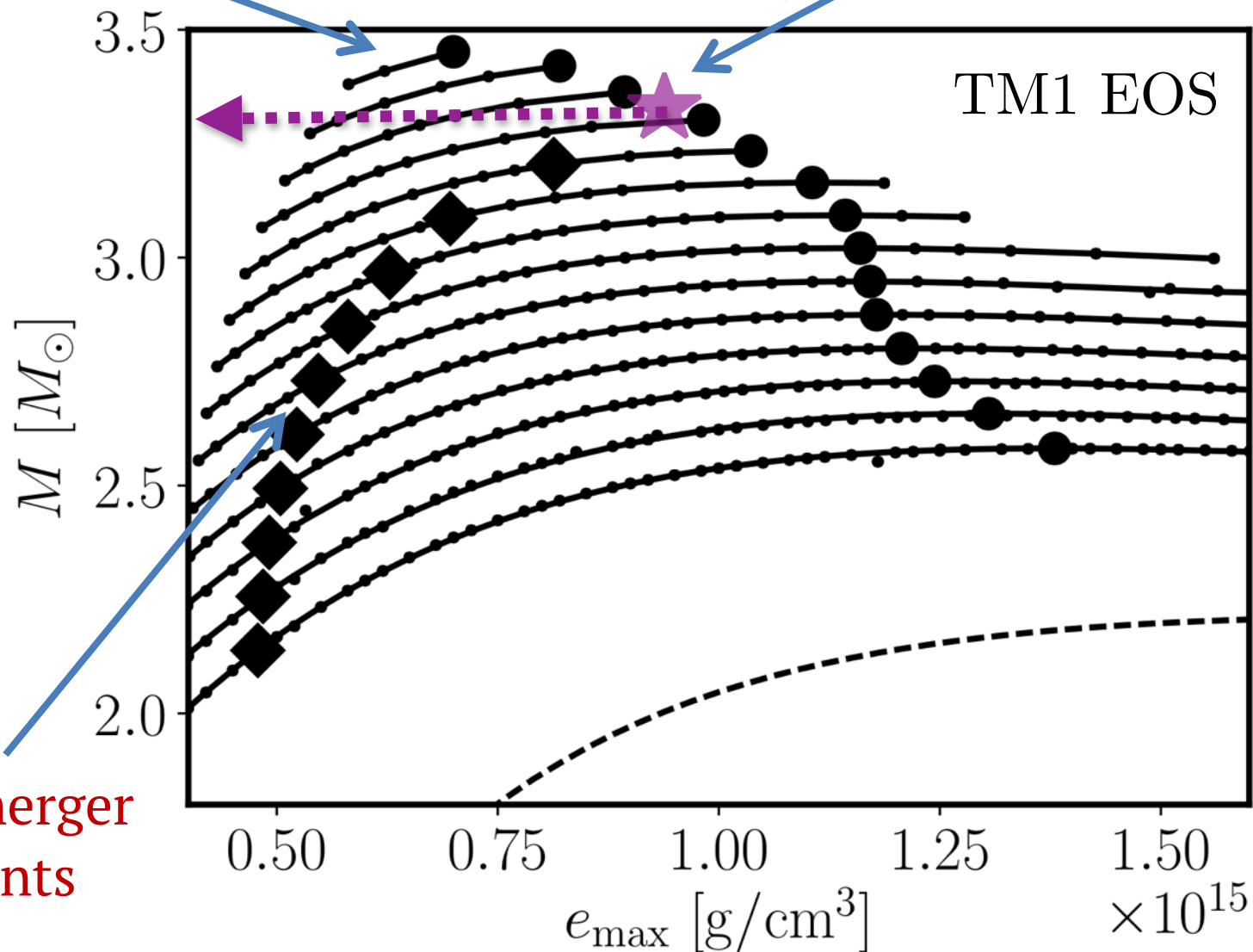
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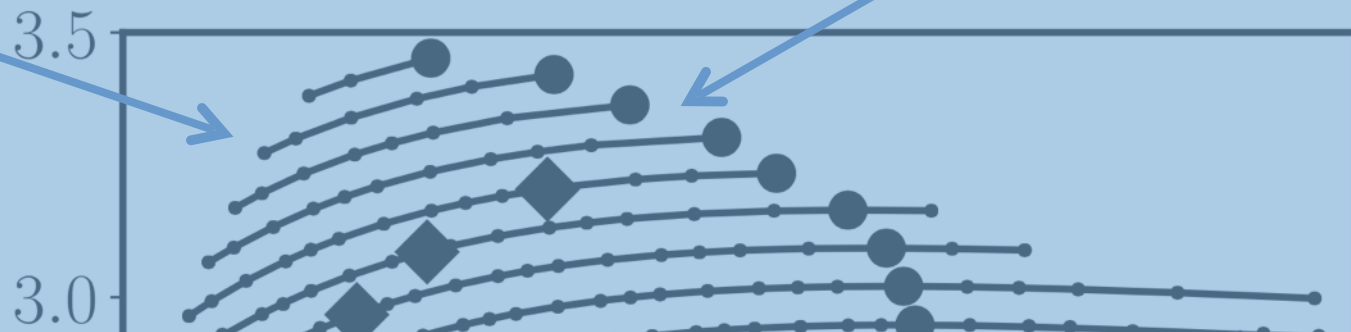
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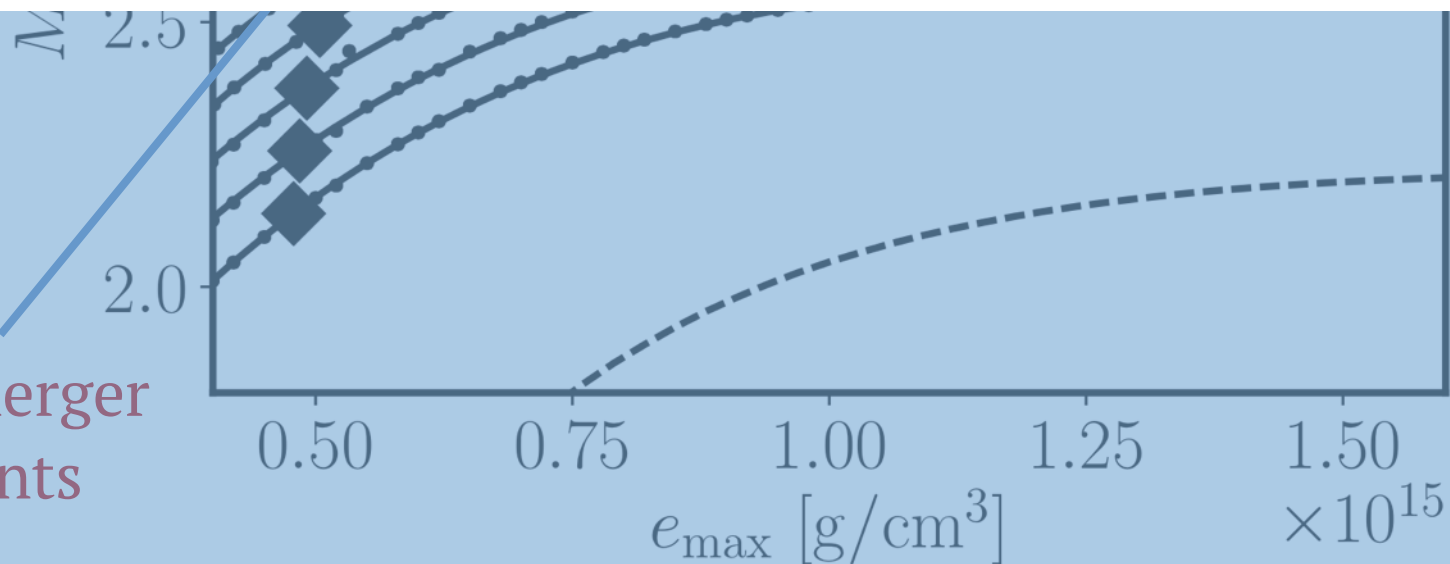
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Threshold mass



$$M_{\text{thres}} > M_{\text{tot}}^{\text{GW170817}} = 2.74^{+0.04}_{-0.01} M_\odot$$

BNS merger
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M_thres vs. M_max correlation

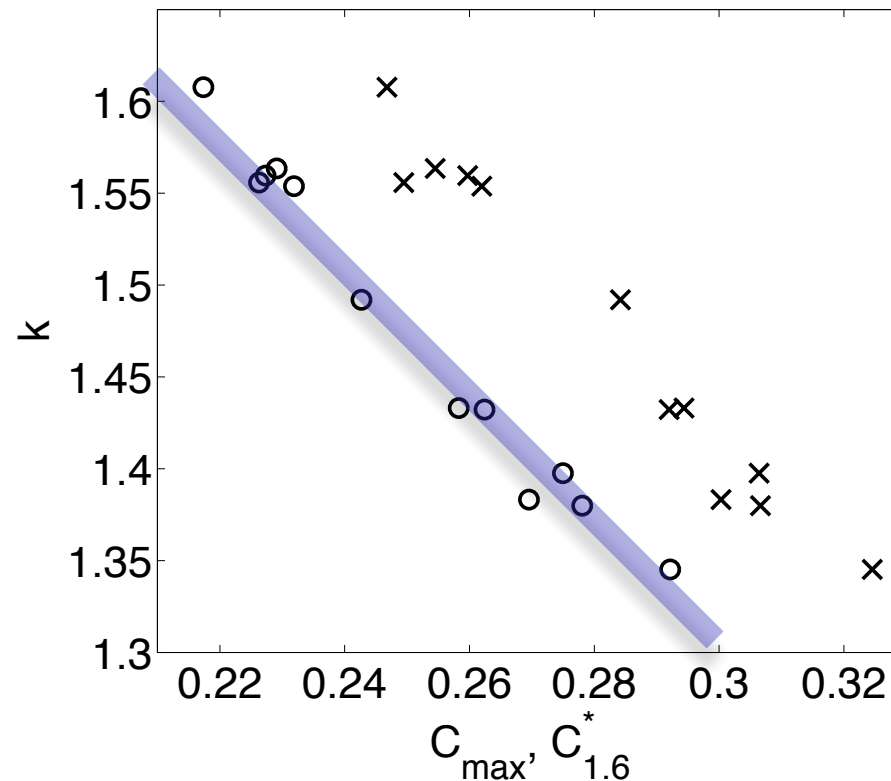
Bauswein, Baumgarte, Janka PRL (2013)

The threshold mass is related to the maximum TOV mass as

$$M_{\text{thres}} = k(C_{\text{max}}) \cdot M_{\text{max}} \quad C_{\text{max}} = \frac{M_{\text{max}}}{R_{\text{max}}}$$

where k is dependent on the compactness.

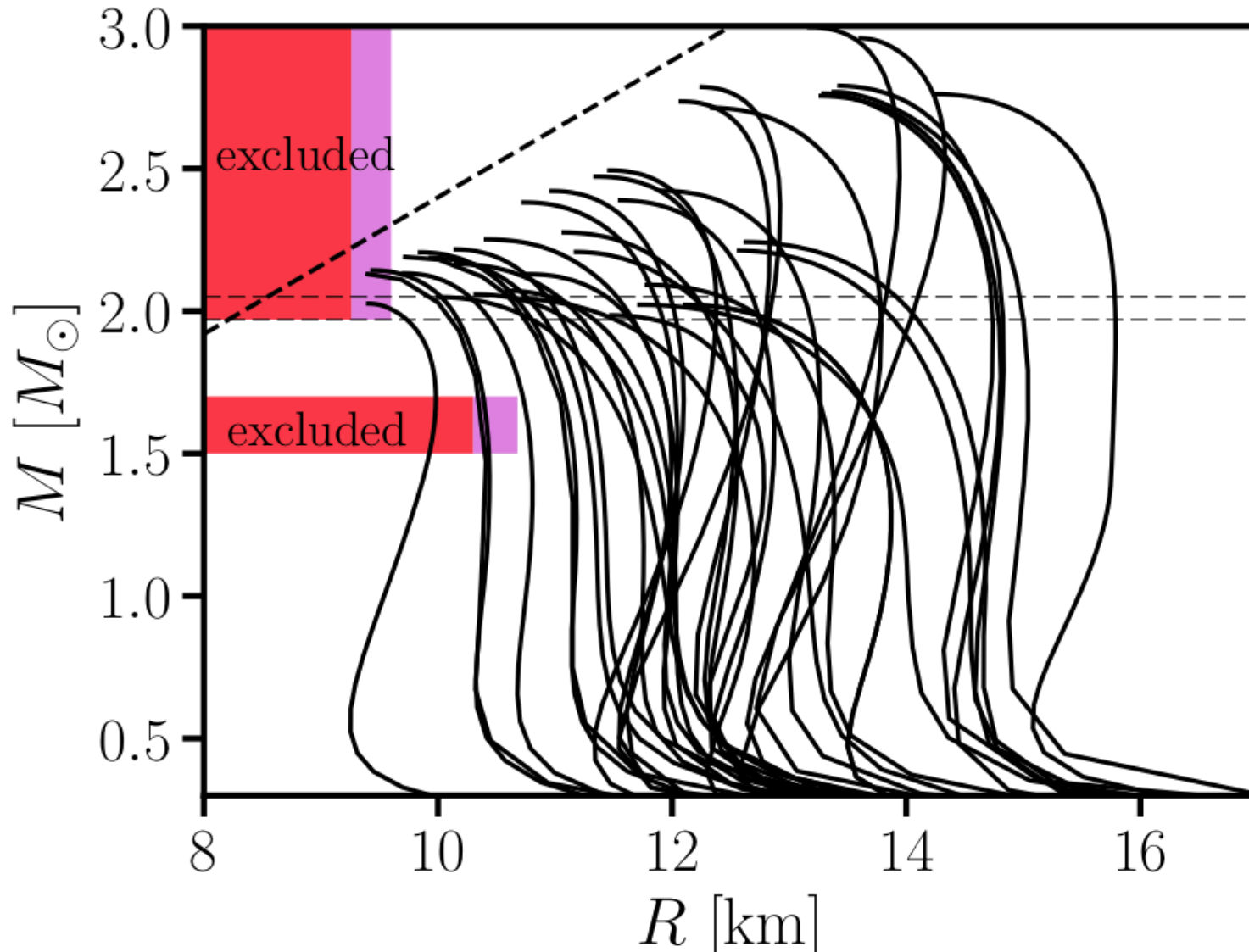
$$M_{\text{thres}} = \left(-3.606 \frac{GM_{\text{max}}}{c^2 R_{1.6}} + 2.38 \right) \cdot M_{\text{max}}$$



FIRST RADIUS CONSTRAINTS FROM GW's

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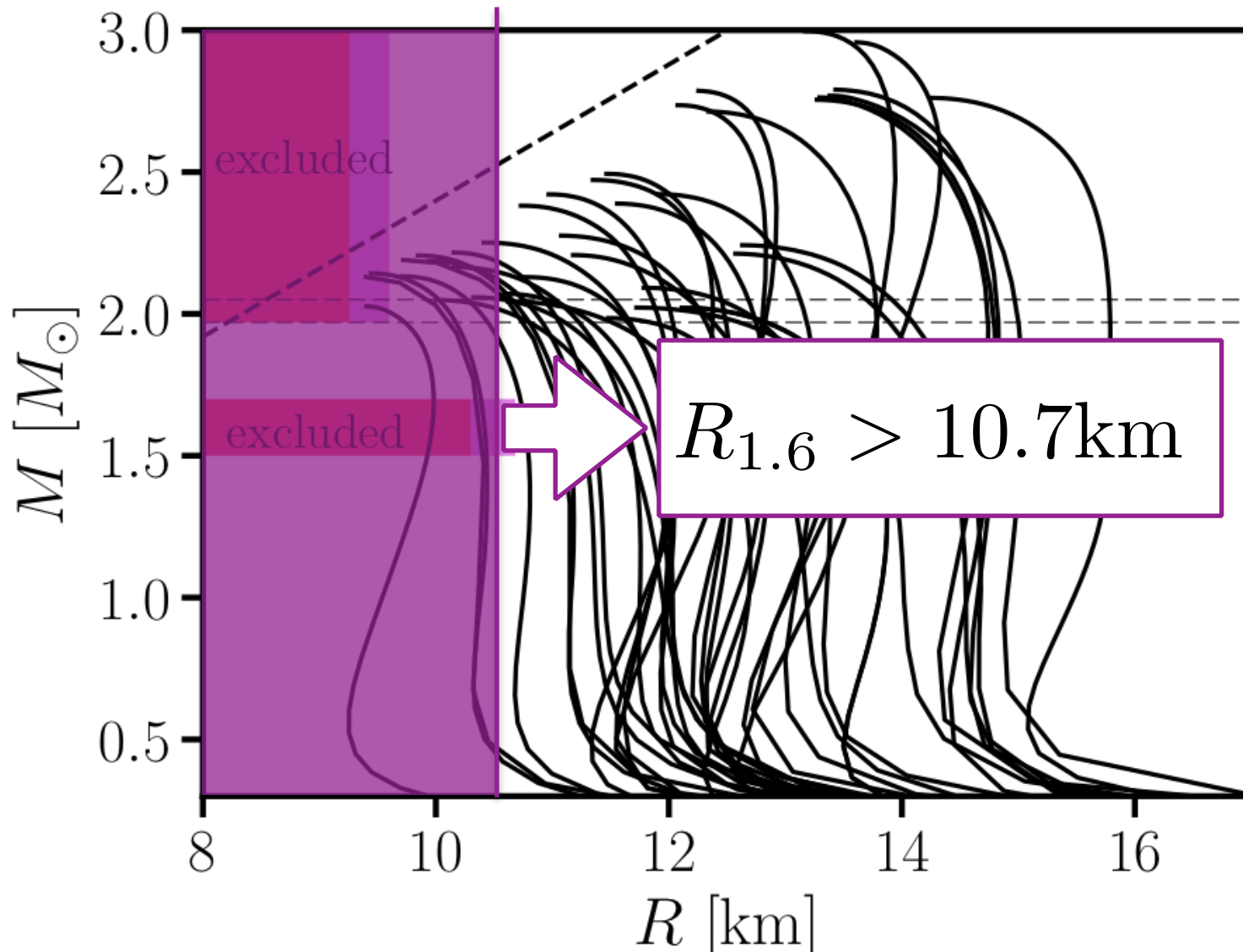
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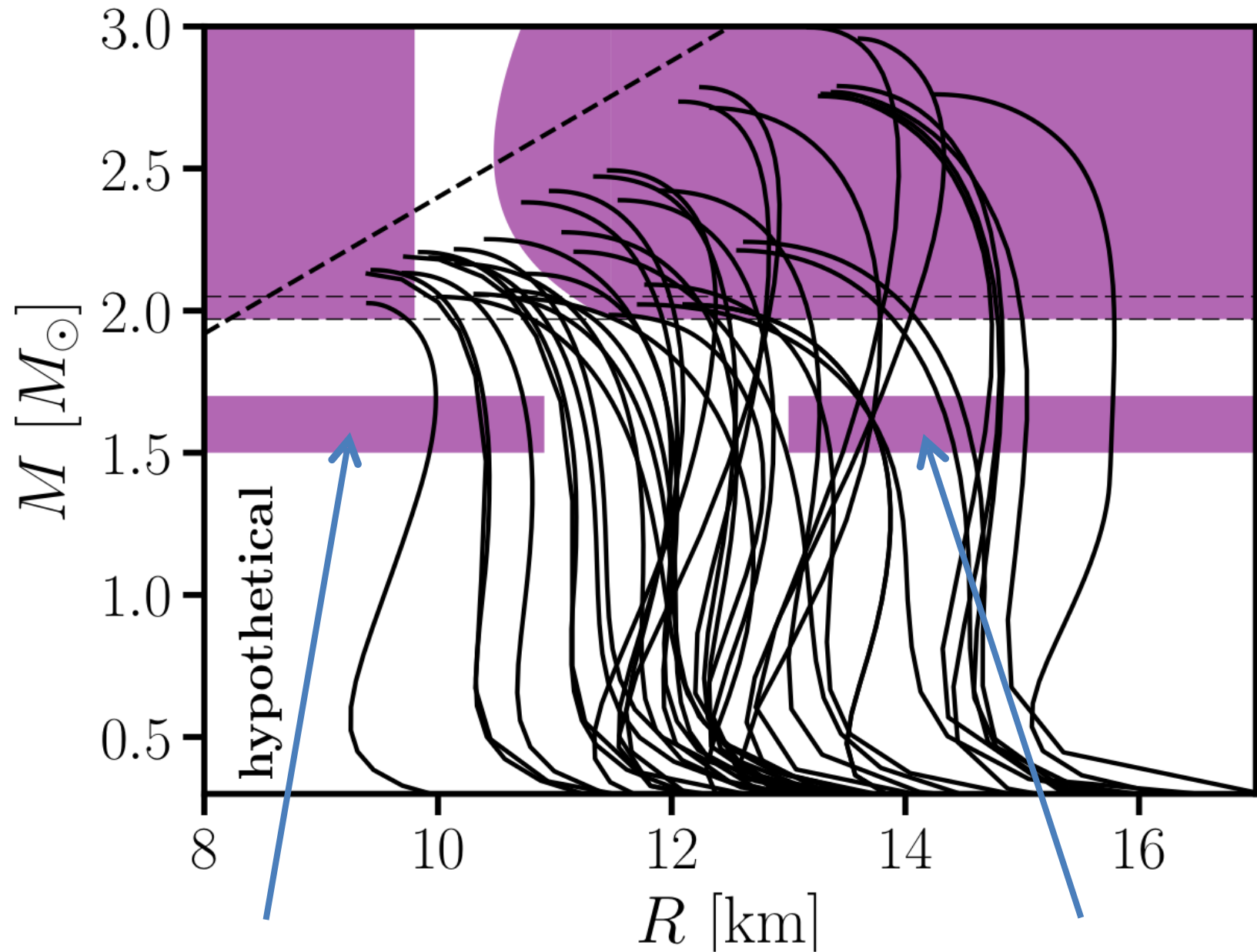
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CONSTRAINTS FROM FUTURE DETECTIONS

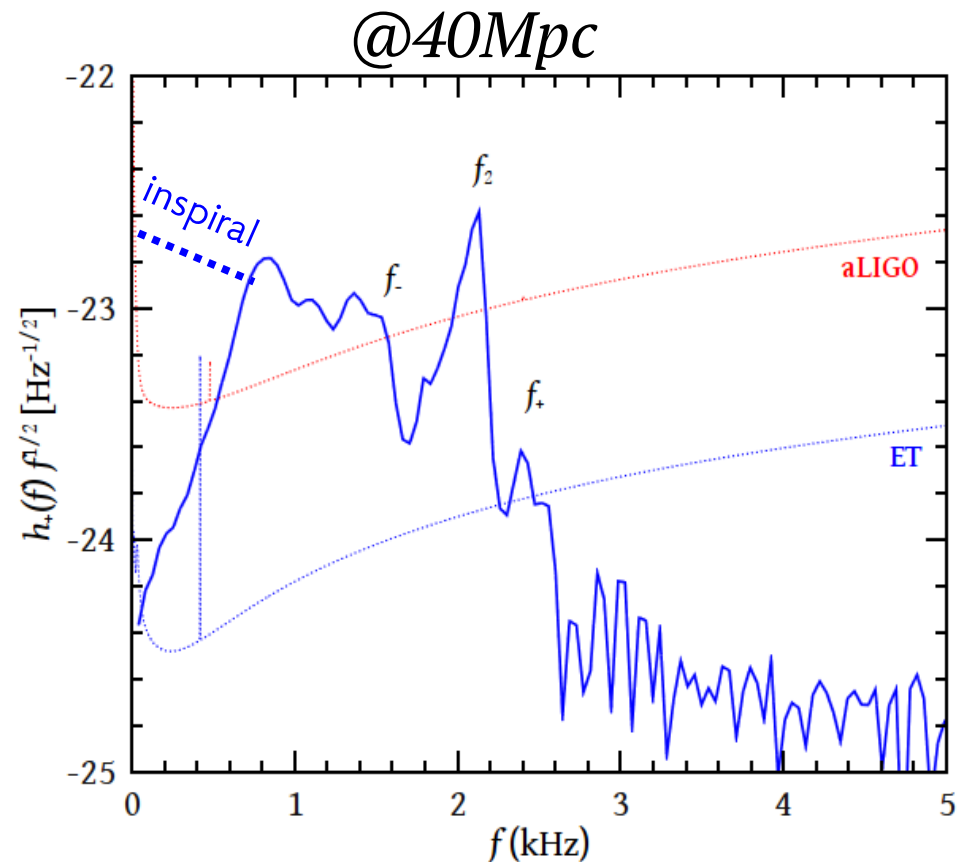
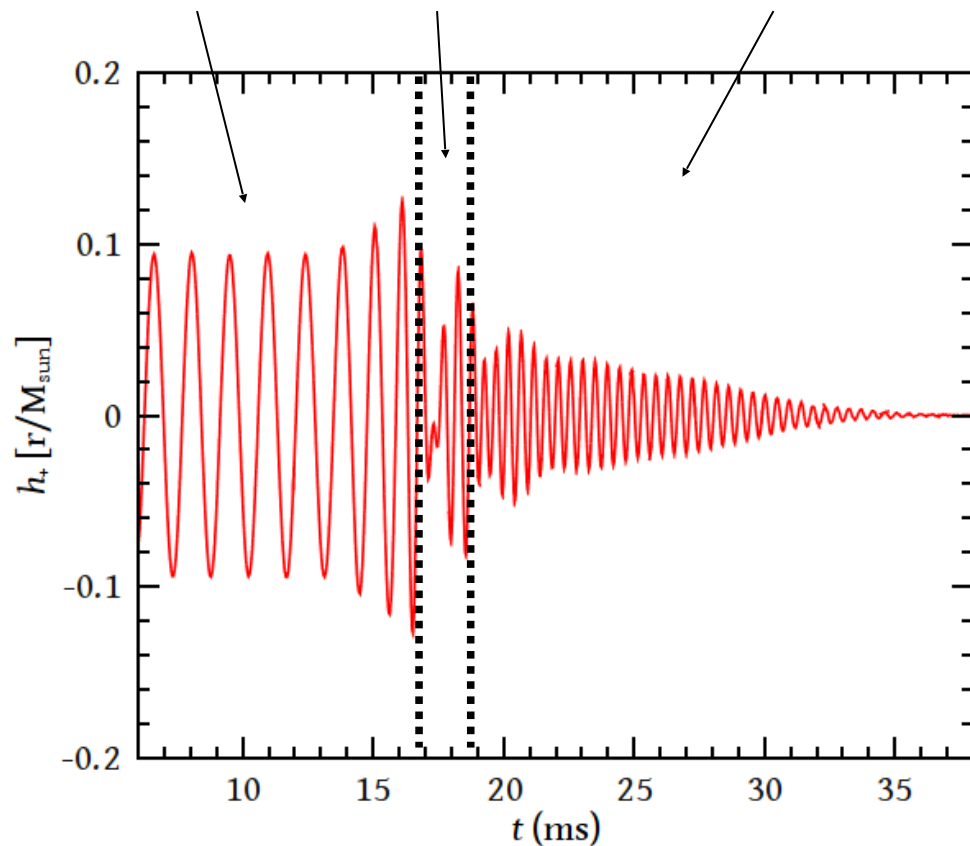


No collapse with
 $M=2.9 M_\odot$

Collapse with
 $M=3.1 M_\odot$

Post-Merger Gravitational Waves

The GW signal can be divided into three distinct phases: *inspiral*, *merger* and *post-merger ringdown*.



Several peaks stand above the aLIGO/VIRGO or ET sensitivity curves and are potentially detectable. Are these *oscillations* of the HMNS?

Spacetime Evolution

90's Nakamura, Oohara, Kojima / Shibata, Nakamura / Baumgarte, Shapiro

Definitions

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{ij} = e^{-4\phi} \gamma_{ij}$$

$$e^{4\phi} = \gamma^{1/3} \equiv \det(\gamma_{ij})^{1/3}$$

$$\tilde{A}_{ij} = e^{-4\phi} A_{ij} \quad A_{ij} = K_{ij} - \frac{1}{3} \gamma_{ij} K,$$

$$\tilde{\Gamma}^i := \tilde{\gamma}^{jk} \tilde{\Gamma}_{jk}^i = -\tilde{\gamma}^{ij}_{,j}$$

“1+log” lapse function

$$\partial_t \alpha = -2\alpha A$$

$$\partial_t A = \partial_t K$$

“Gamma-driver” shift condition

$$\partial_t \beta^i = B^i$$

$$\partial_t B^i = \frac{3}{4} \alpha \partial_t \tilde{\Gamma}^i - e^{-4\phi} \beta^i$$

Time evolution

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\gamma}_{ij} = -2\alpha \tilde{A}_{ij}, \quad \frac{d}{dt} = \partial_t - \mathcal{L}_\beta$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \phi = -\frac{1}{6} \alpha K.$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} K = -\gamma^{ij} D_i D_j \alpha + \alpha \left[\tilde{A}_{ij} \tilde{A}^{ij} + \frac{1}{3} K^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\rho + S) \right],$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \tilde{A}_{ij} = e^{-4\phi} [-D_i D_j \alpha + \alpha (R_{ij} - S_{ij})]^{TF}$$

$$+ \alpha (K \tilde{A}_{ij} - 2 \tilde{A}_{il} \tilde{A}_j^l),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \tilde{\Gamma}^i = & -2 \tilde{A}^{ij} \alpha_{,j} + 2 \alpha \left(\tilde{\Gamma}_{jk}^i \tilde{A}^{kj} - \frac{2}{3} \tilde{\gamma}^{ij} K_{,j} - \tilde{\gamma}^{ij} S_{,j} + 6 \tilde{A}^{ij} \phi_{,j} \right) \\ & - \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j} \left(\beta^l \tilde{\gamma}^{ij}_{,l} - 2 \tilde{\gamma}^{m(j} \beta^i_{,m} + \frac{2}{3} \tilde{\gamma}^{ij} \beta^l_{,l} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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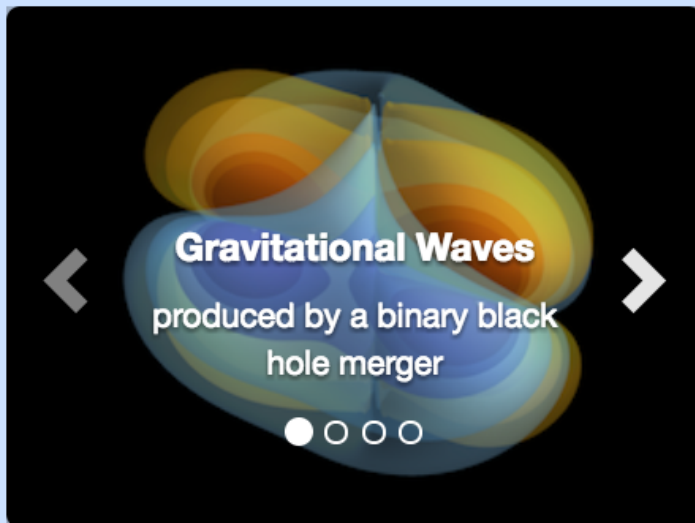
Open Source code for 3D simulations in General Relativity
C/C++/Fortran90 with MPI+OpenMP



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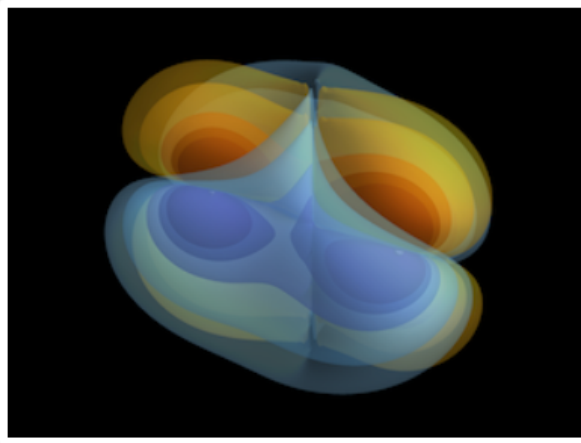
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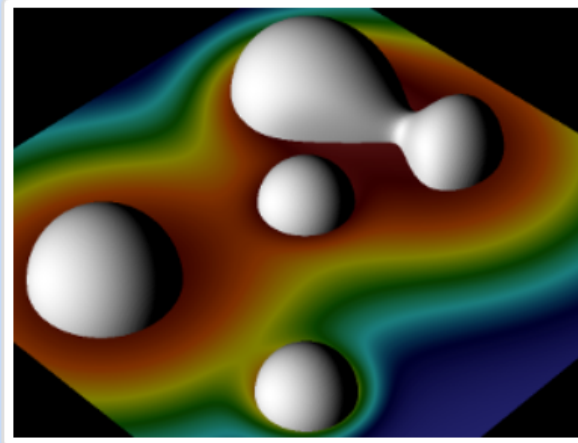
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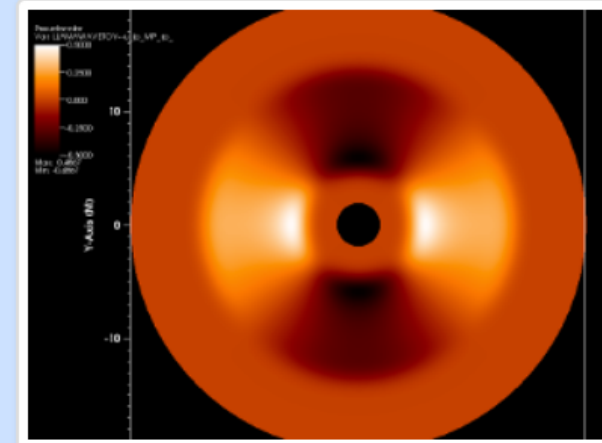
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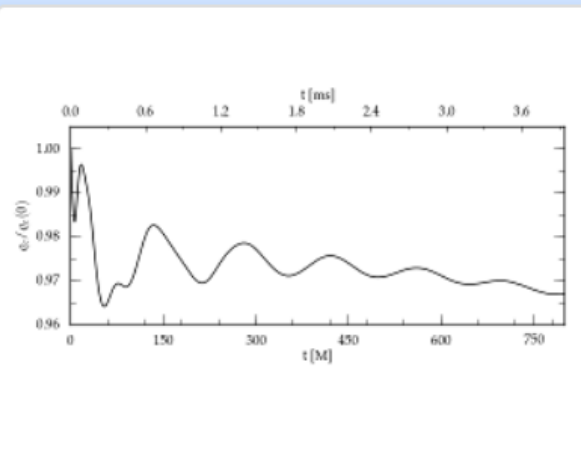
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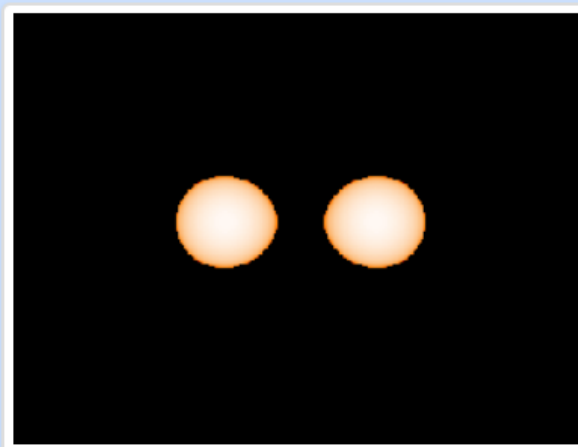
Multi Patch Energy Equation



Single, stable neutron star



Binary neutron star



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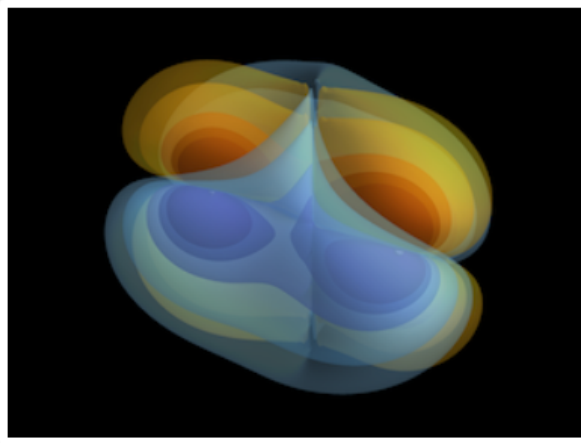
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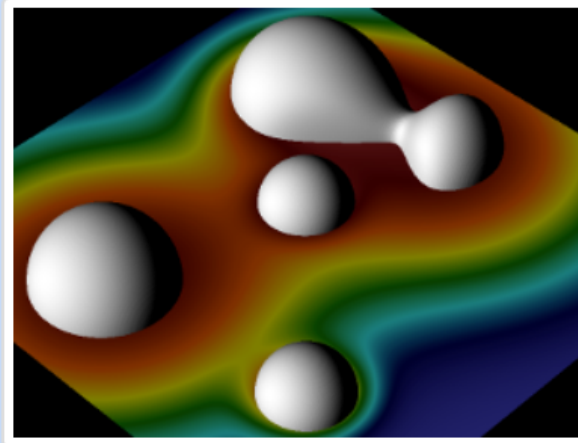
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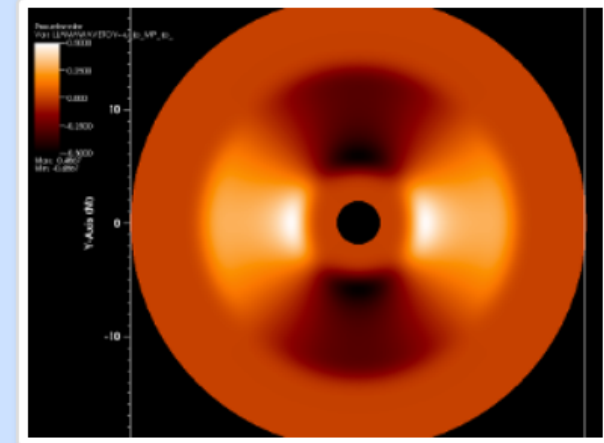
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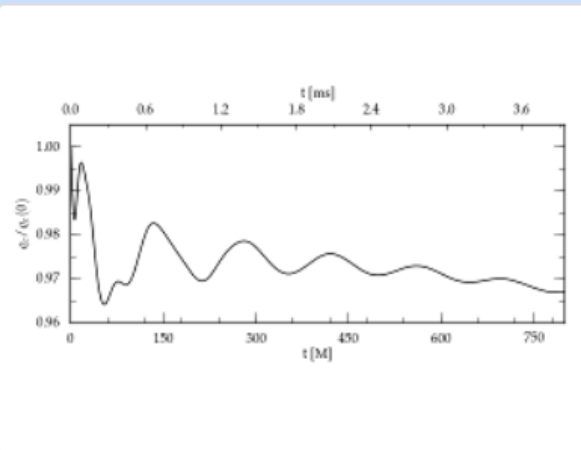
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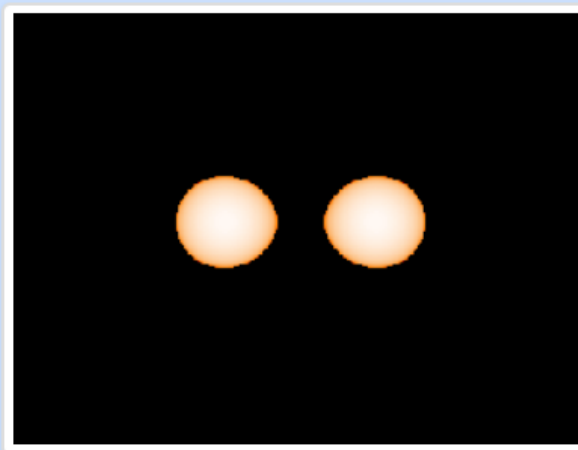
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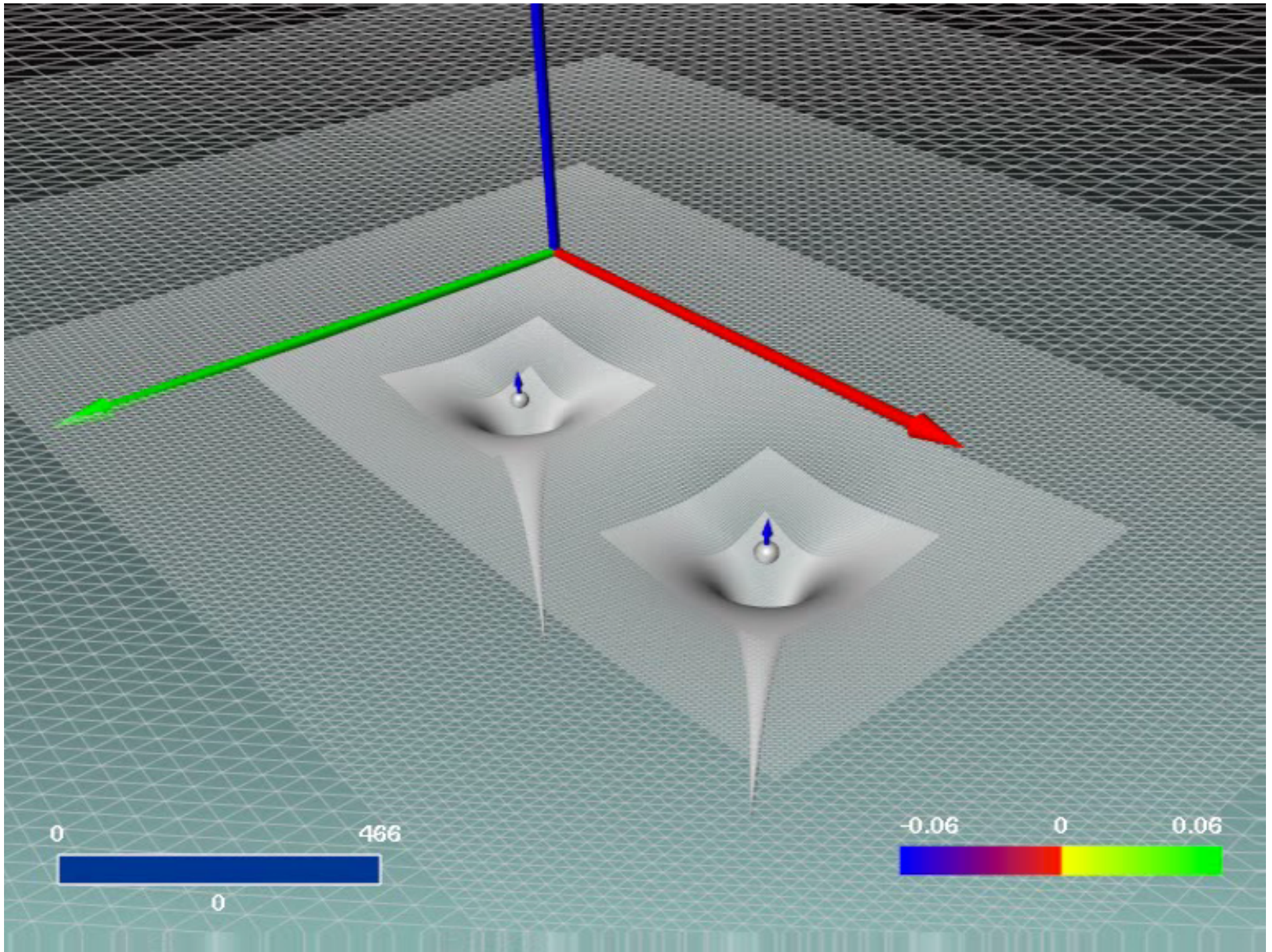


Binary neutron star



RNSID: Initial Data for
Rotating Neutron Stars
(developed at **AUTH**)

Adaptive Mesh Refinement



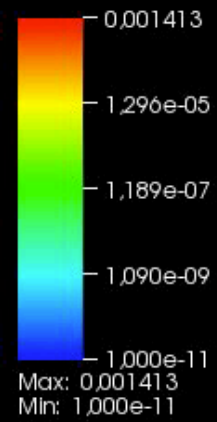
ARIS (ΕΔΕΤ - Athens)

426 IBM cpu's = 8500 cores
1000 TB space



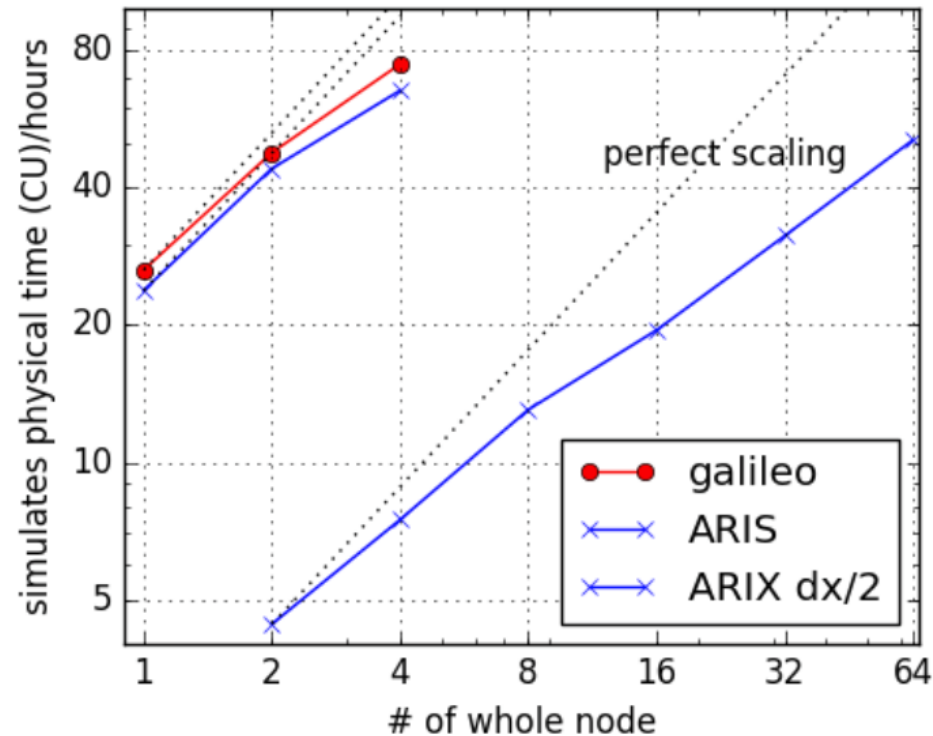
BNS Merger on ARIS

DB: rho.xy.h5
Cycle: 0 Time:0



Running on ARIS

2016 (pr002022) 900.000 CPU hours

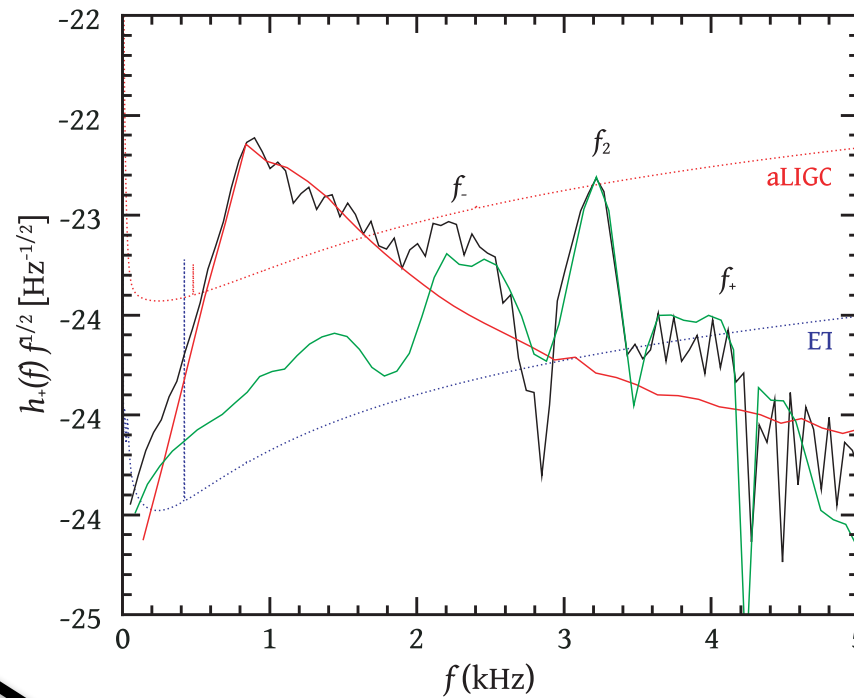


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Run type	# Runs	# Steps/Run	Walltime (seconds)/Step	# CPU cores	Total core hours/Type Run
Merger $\Delta x = 0.185$ (360,360,100) 6 levels	12	90000	4.6	320	73000

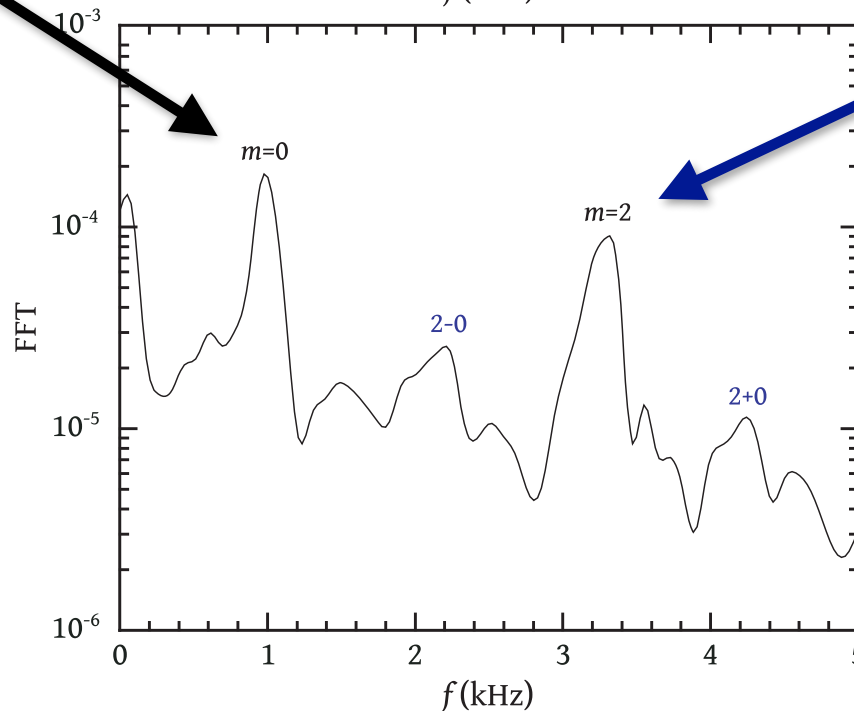
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GRAVITATIONAL
WAVES



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mode

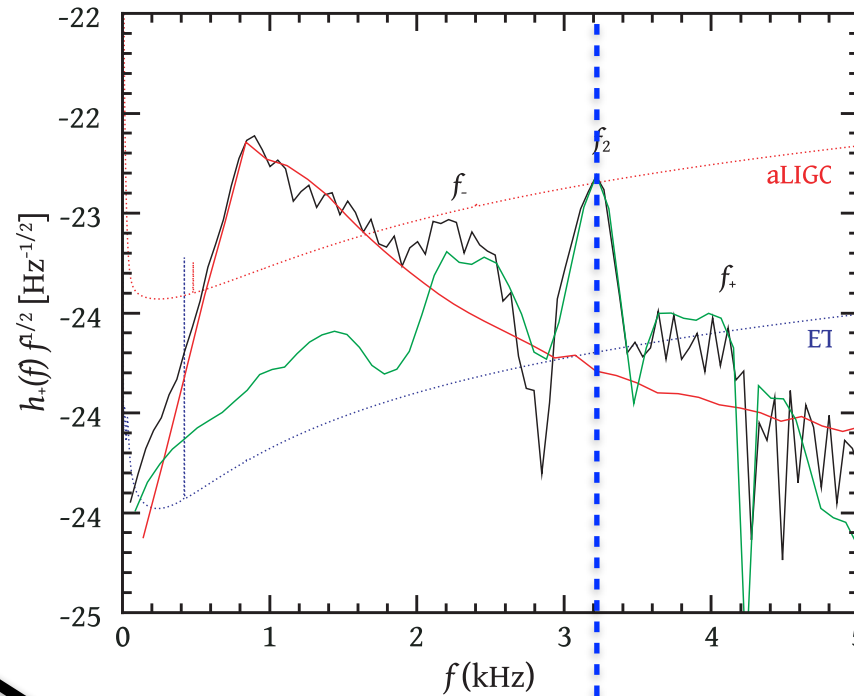
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$m=2$ quadrupole
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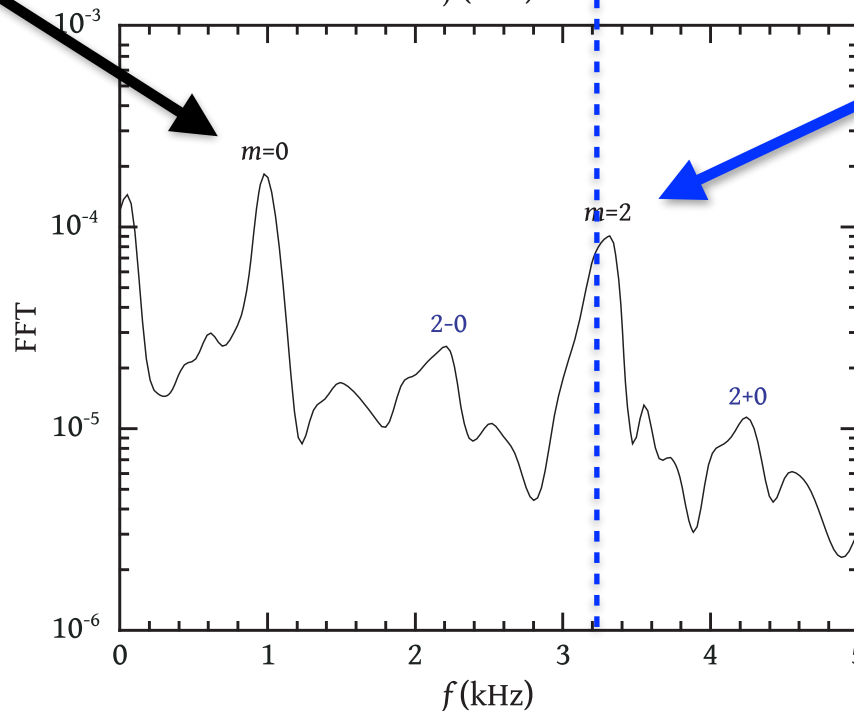
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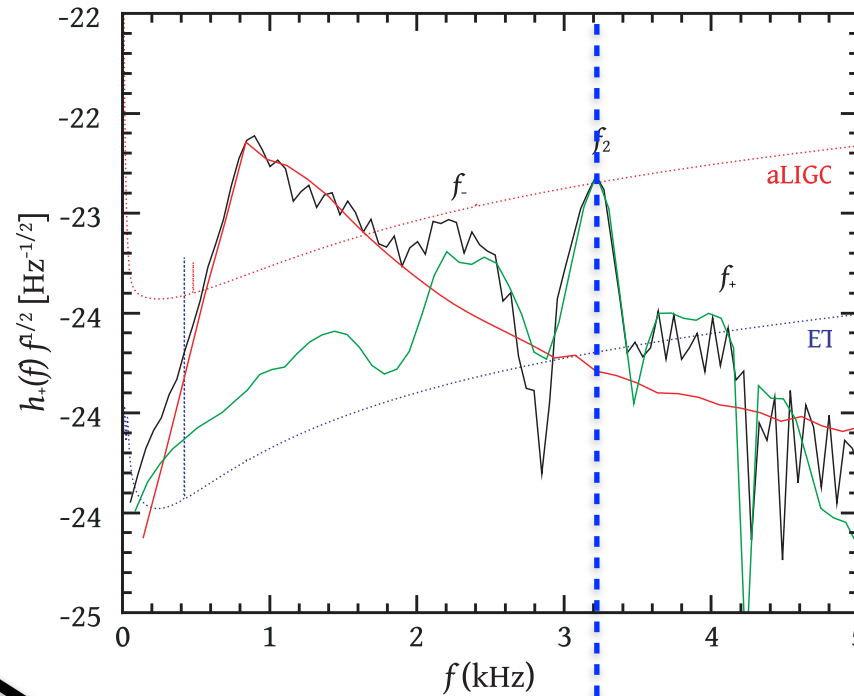
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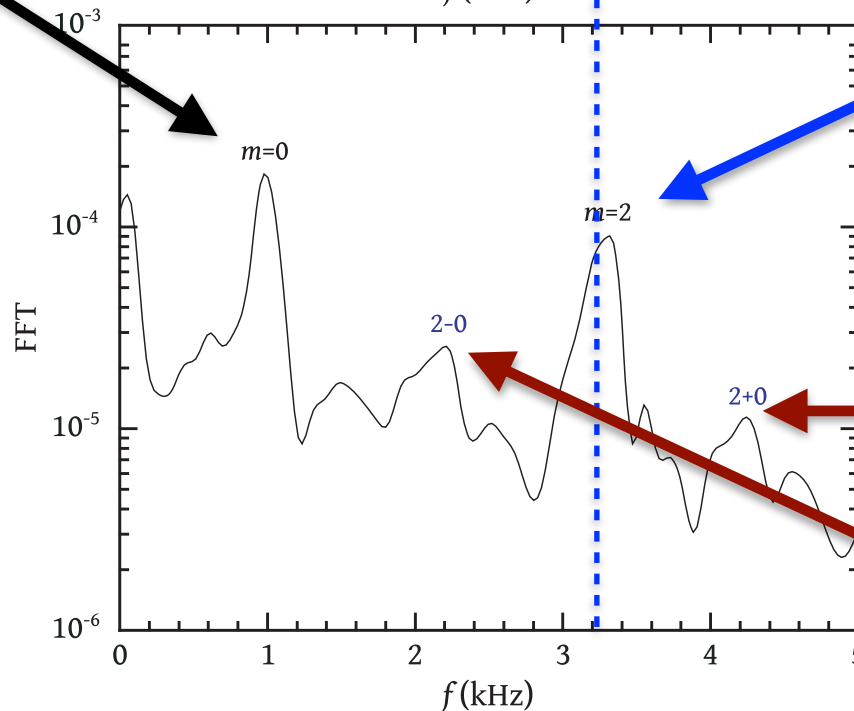
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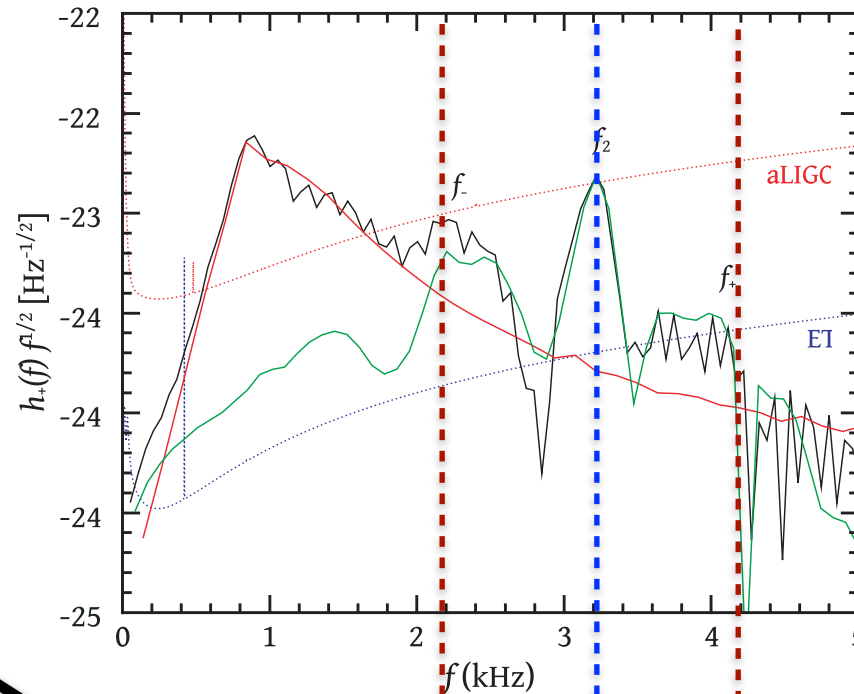


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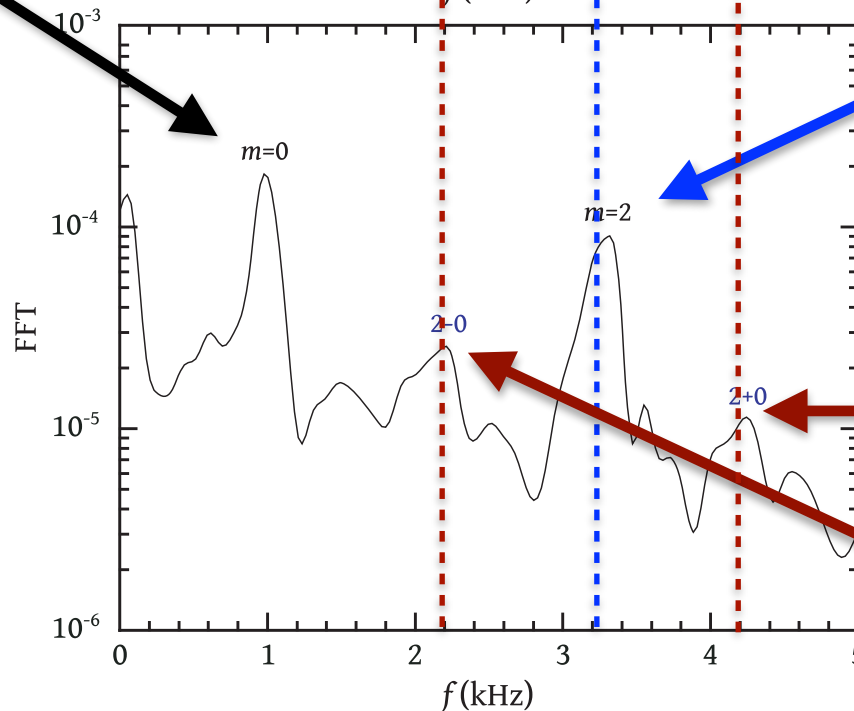
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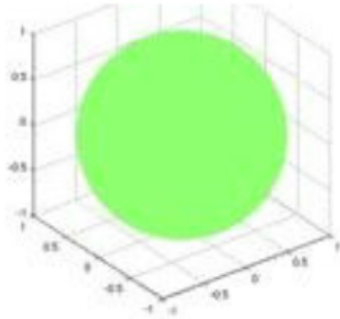


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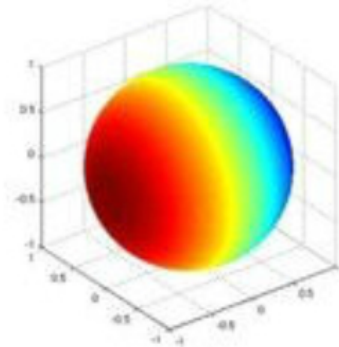
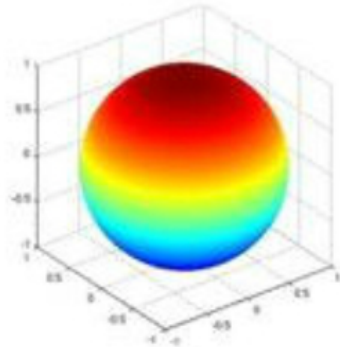
Nonradial Oscillations

$$\ell = 0$$



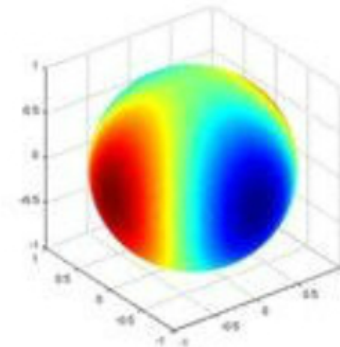
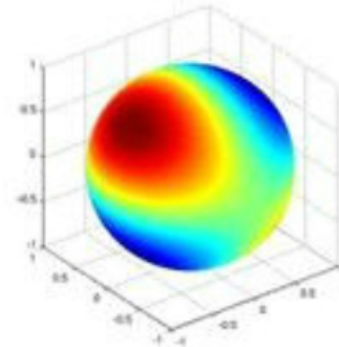
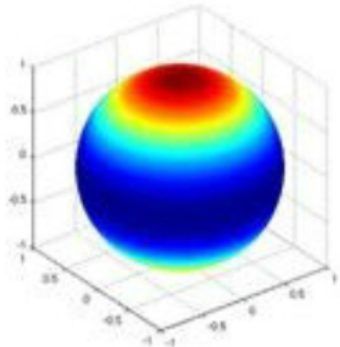
$$\cos(m\phi) P_{\ell}^m(\cos \theta)$$

$$\ell = 1$$



$l = m$ (sectoral)
 $l \neq m$ (tesseral)

$$\ell = 2$$



$$m = 0$$

(zonal)

$$m = 1$$

$$m = 2$$

Nonradial Oscillations of Neutron Stars

Main oscillation modes:

1. f -modes / p -modes

fluid modes restored by pressure

2. g -modes

restored by gravity/buoyancy in non-isentropic stars

3. inertial modes (r -modes)

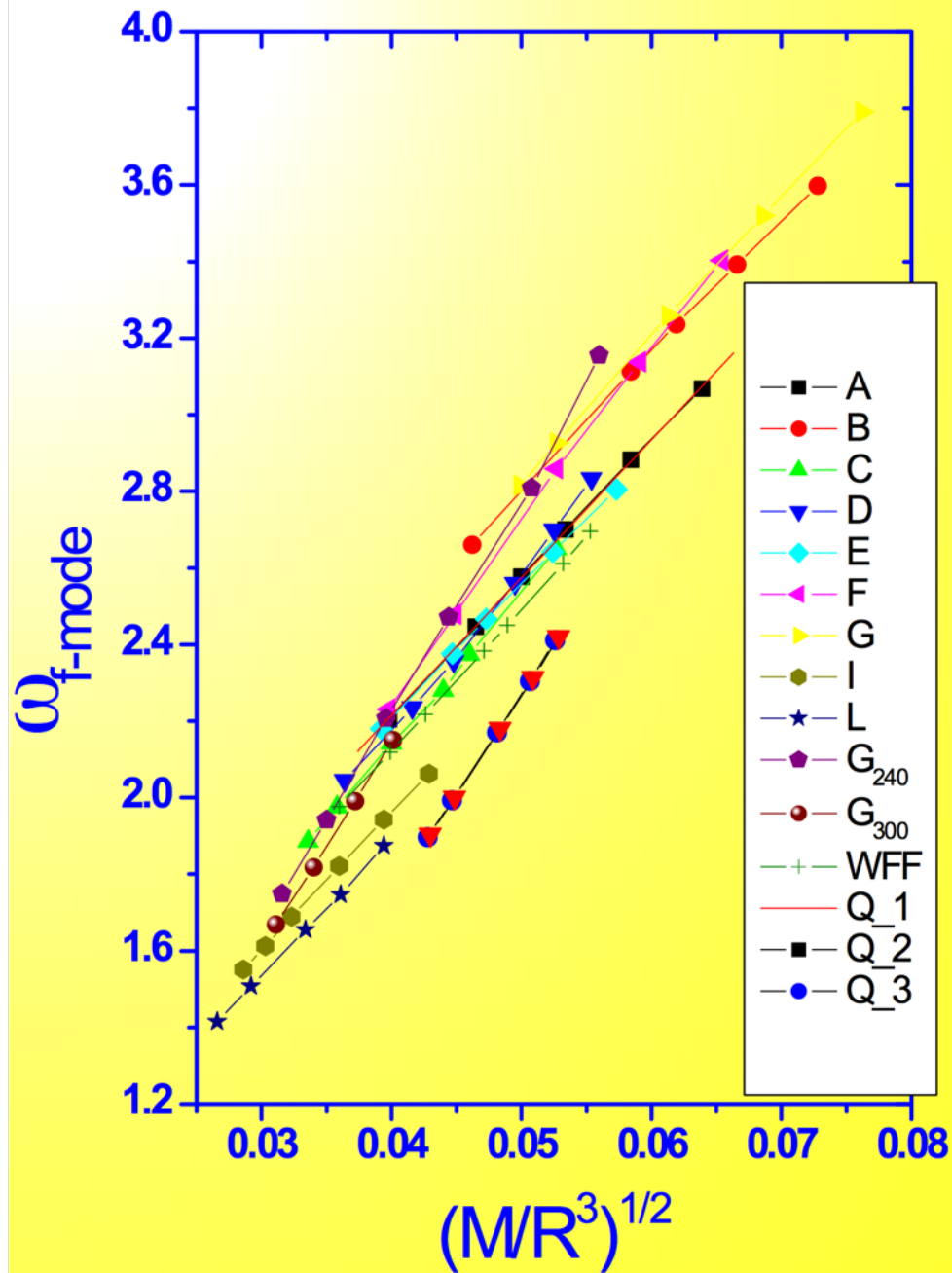
restored by the Coriolis force in rotating stars

4. w -modes

spacetime modes (similar to black hole modes)

GW-detection: f -, p -, g -, r -modes : stable oscillations
instabilities

Quadrupole Frequencies for Nonrotating Stars

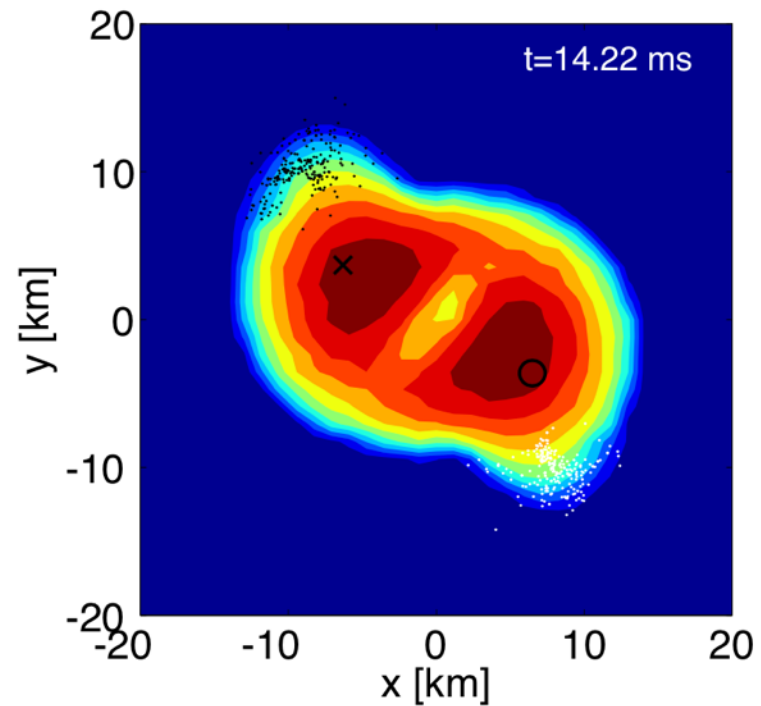
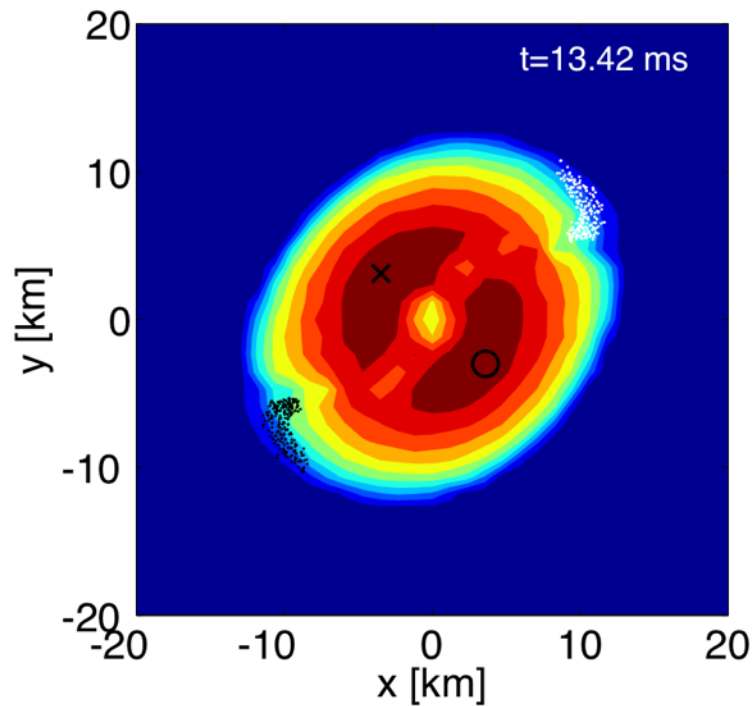
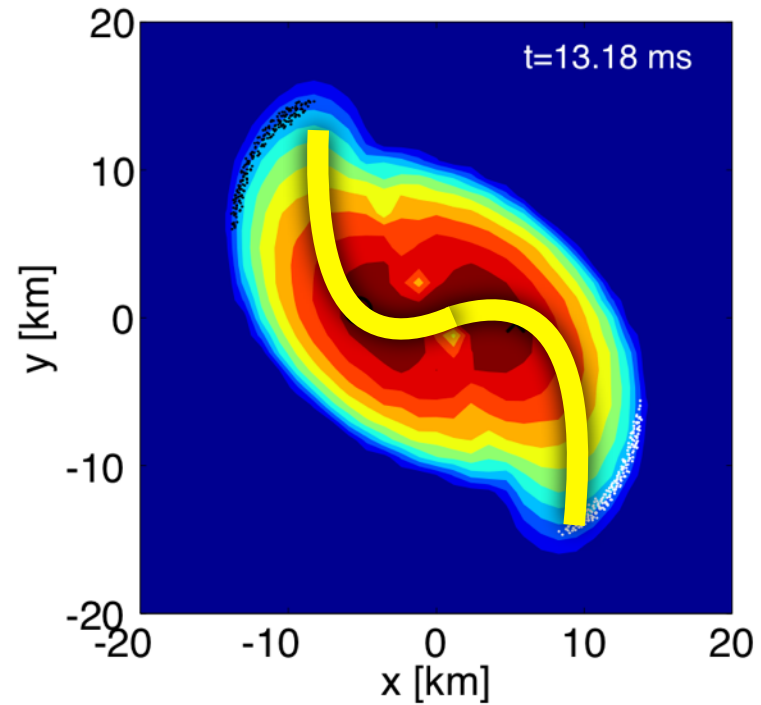
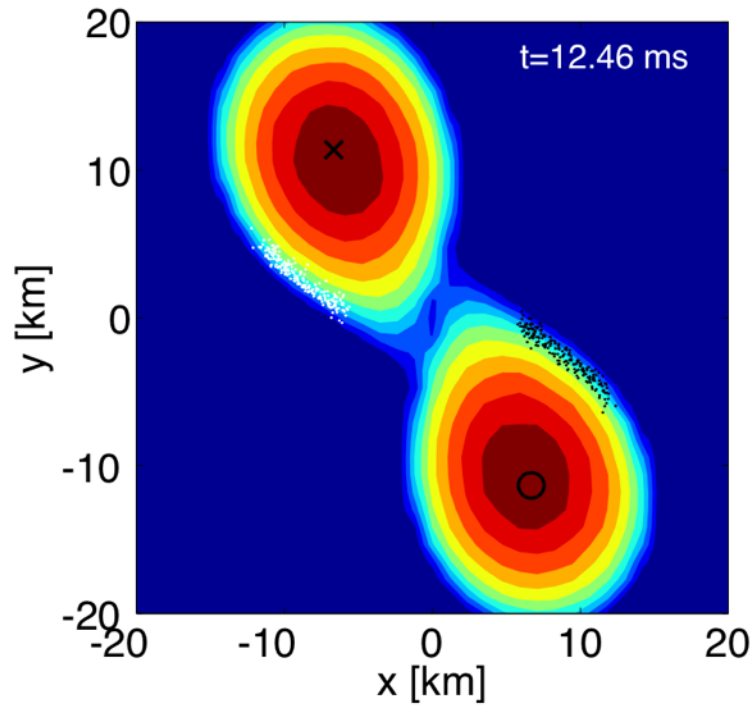


Empirical relations for GW
asteroseismology:

$$\omega_f (\text{kHz}) \approx 0.78 + 1.637 \left(\frac{M_{1.4}}{R_{10}^3} \right)^{1/2}$$

Andersson & Kokkotas (1998)

Spiral Deformation



Bauswein
& NS
(2015)

Post-Merger GW Oscillations

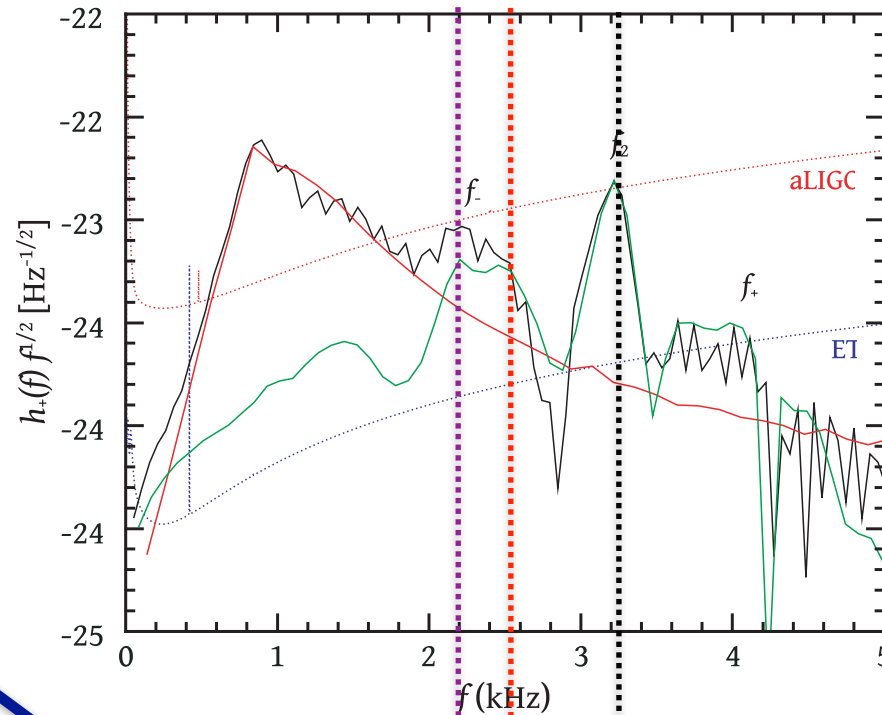
Bauswein, NS (2015)

GRAVITATIONAL
WAVE SPECTRUM

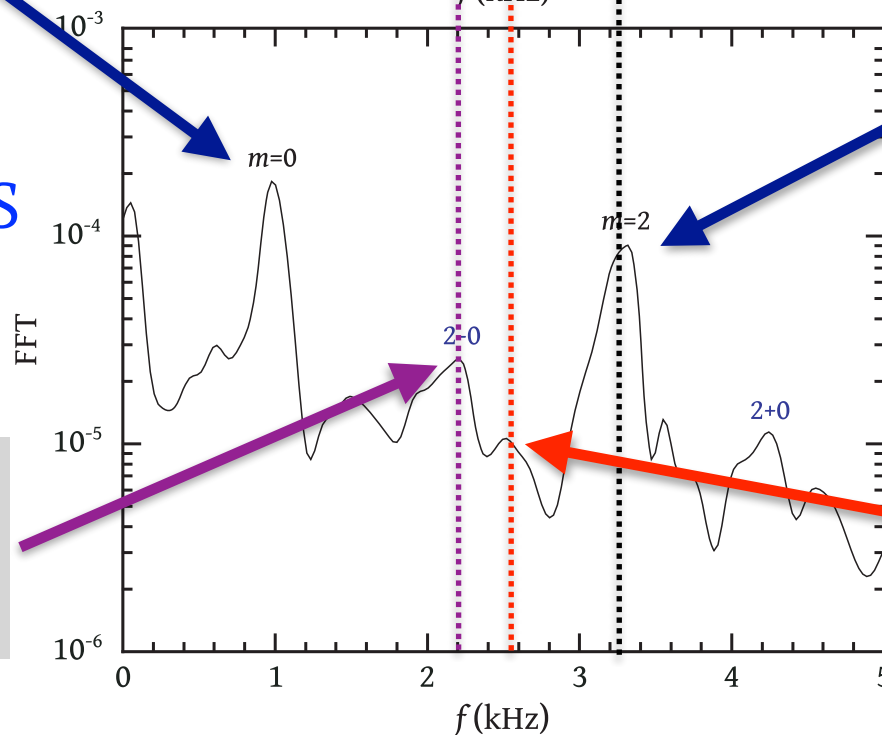
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linear quasi-
radial mode

FFT OF
HYDRODYNAMICS
IN EQUATORIAL
PLANE

*“2-0” quasi-linear
combination
frequency*



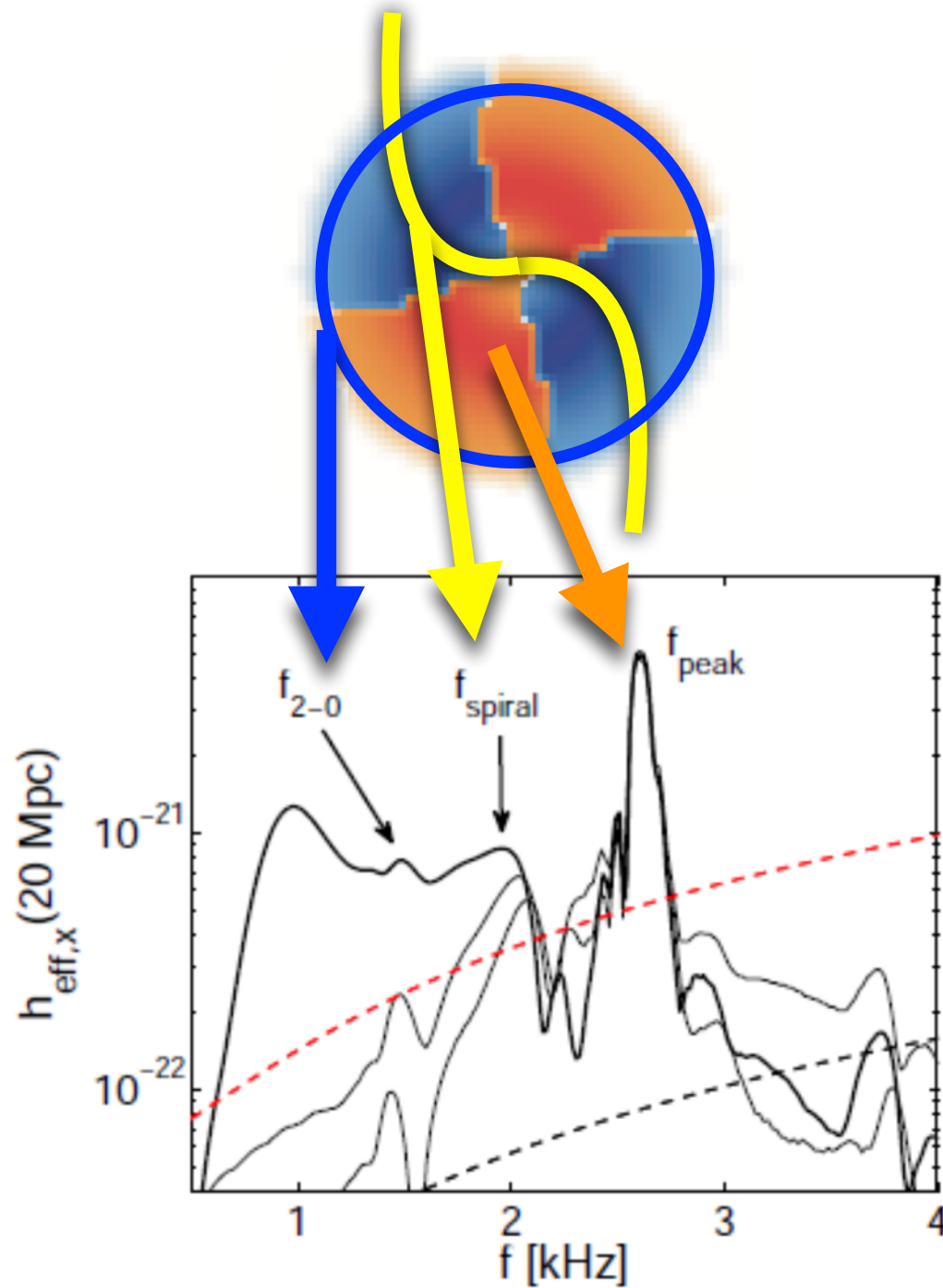
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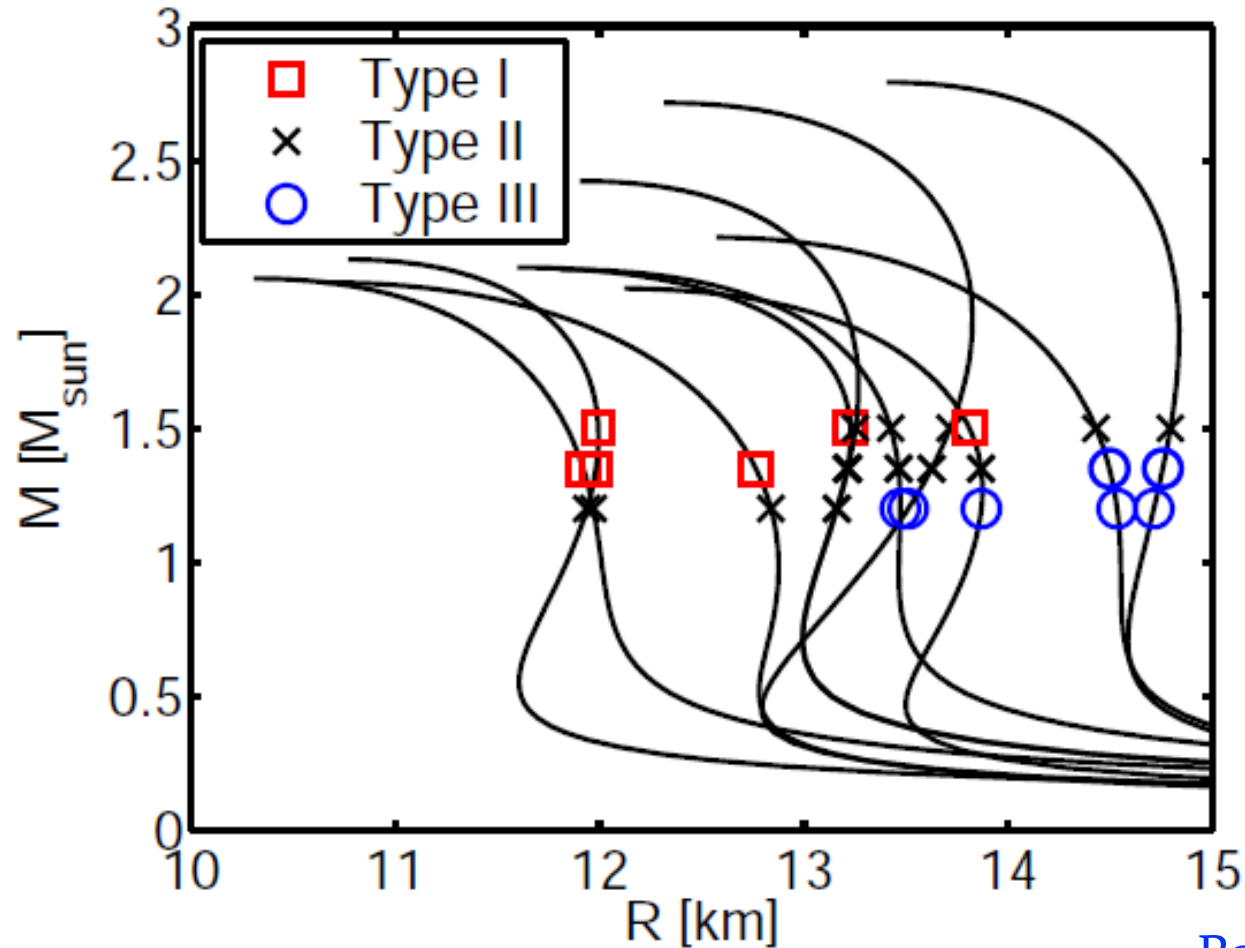
*nonlinear
spiral frequency*

linear + quasi-linear + nonlinear

Bauswein, NS (2015)



Three Types of Post-Merger Dynamics



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Type I: the “2-0” combination frequency dominates

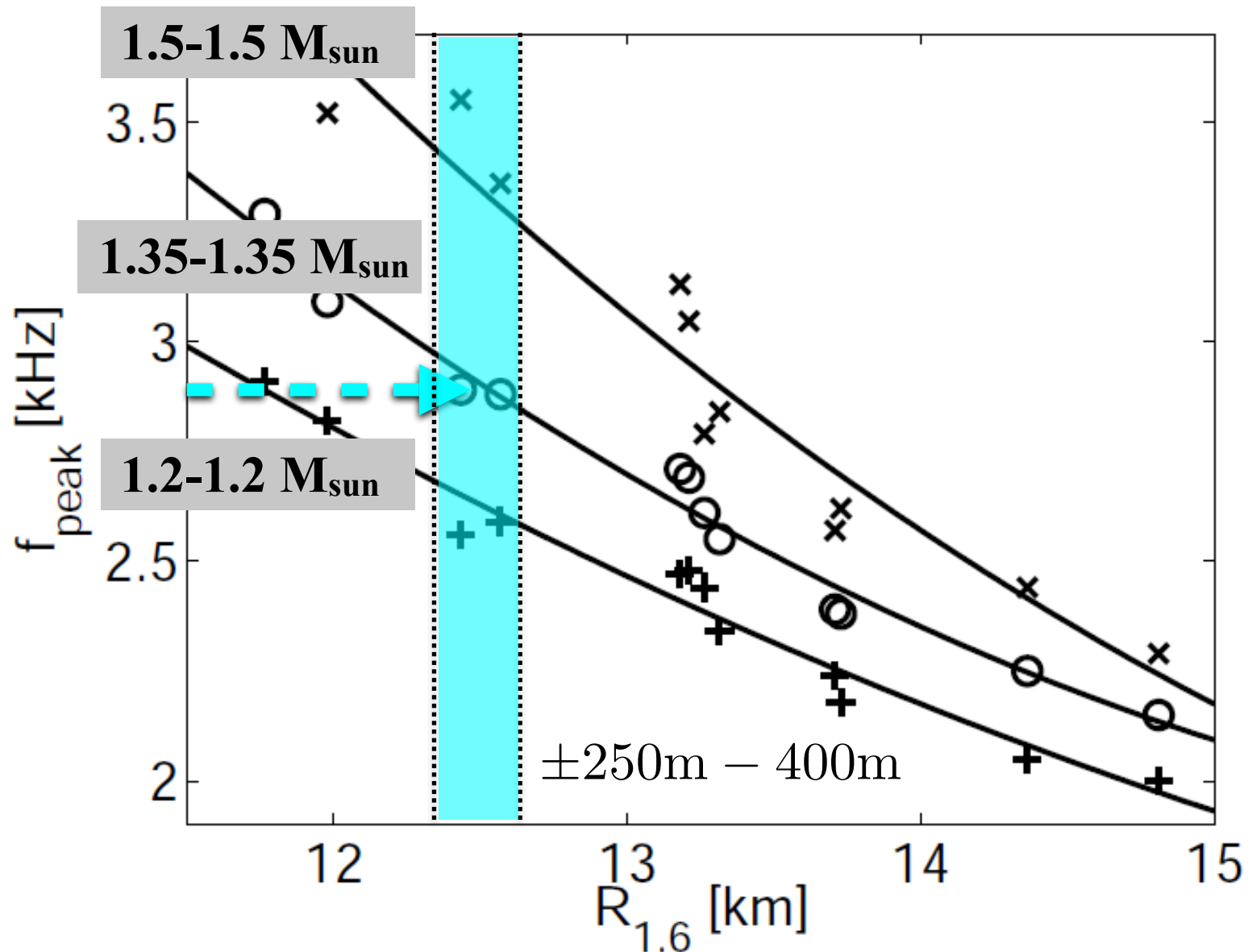
Type II: both the “2-0” and the f_{spiral} frequencies are present

Type III: the f_{spiral} frequency dominates

Radius Determination from Post-Merger Signal

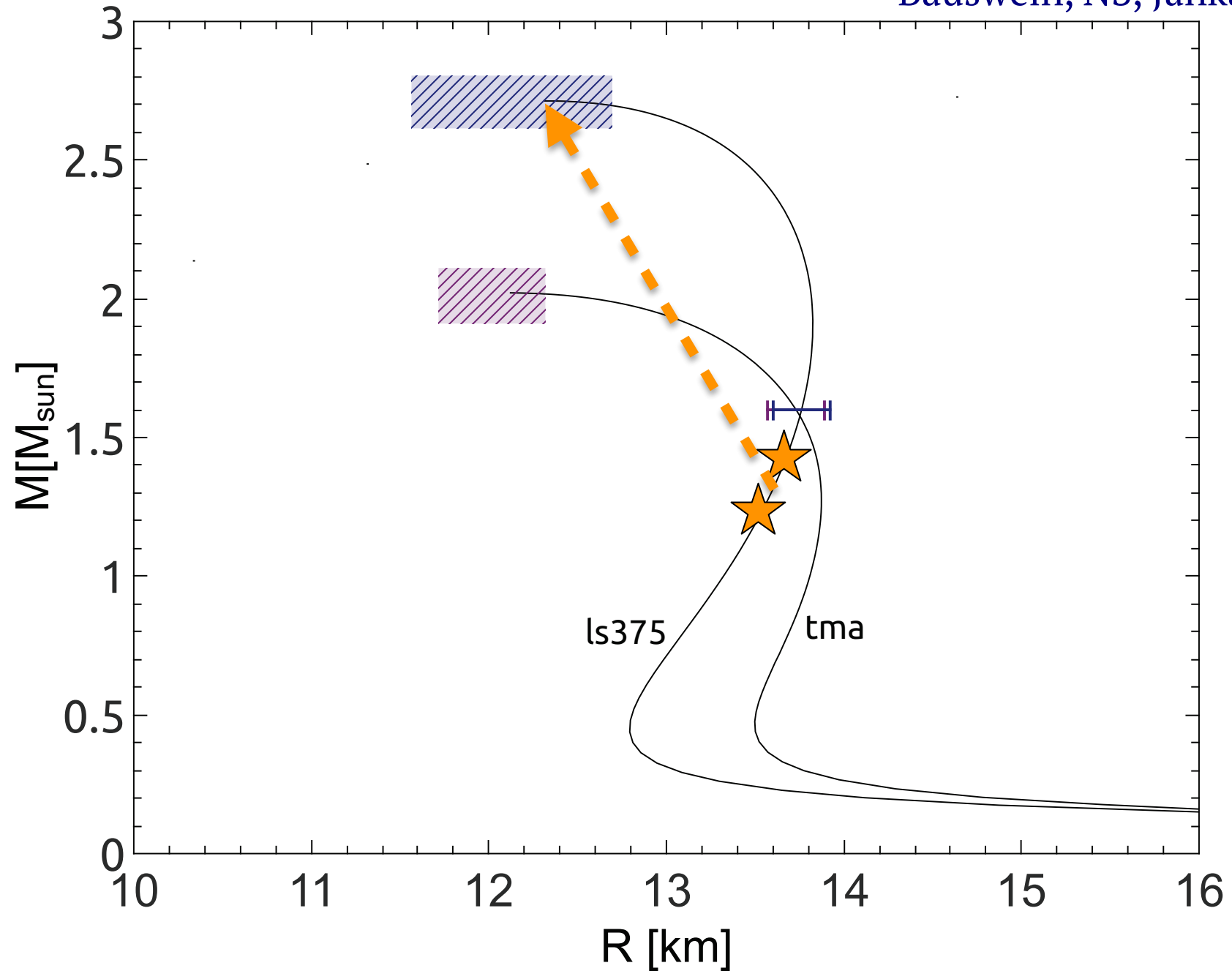
Bauswein, Janka, Hebeler & Schwenk (2012)

f_{peak} correlates very well with the radius @ 1.6 Msun, if M_{tot} is known from inspiral.



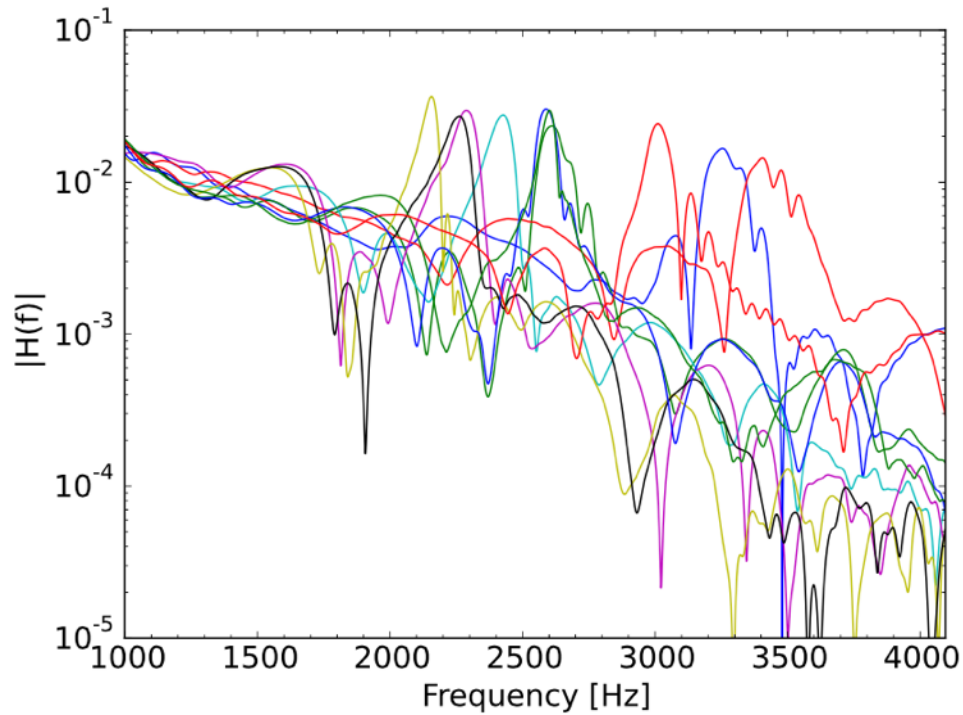
Breaking the EOS Degeneracy

Bauswein, NS, Janka (2014)



Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

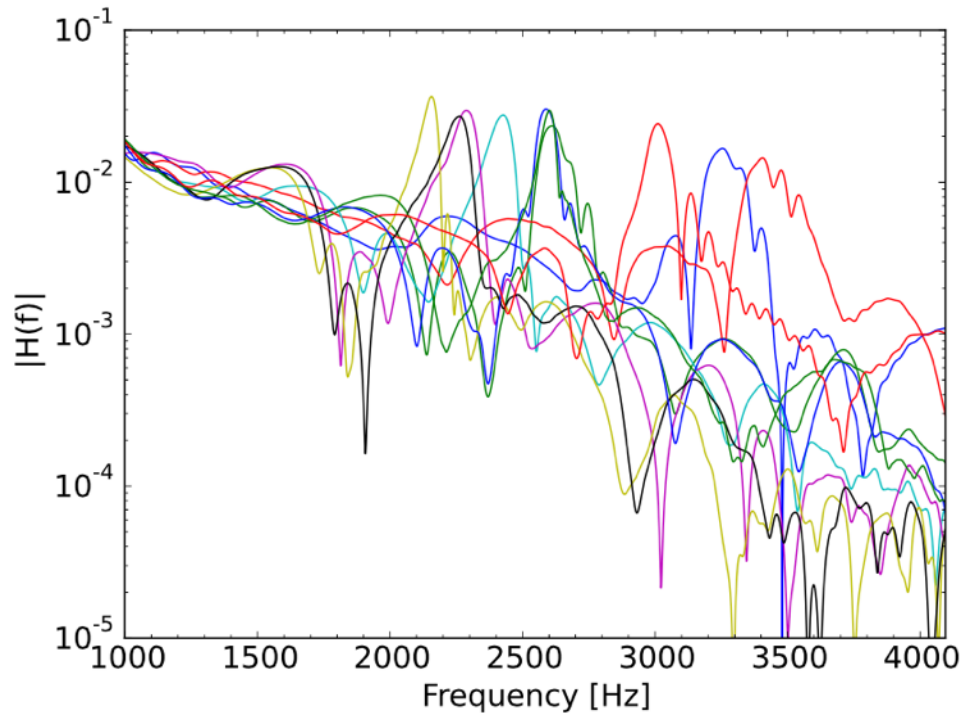
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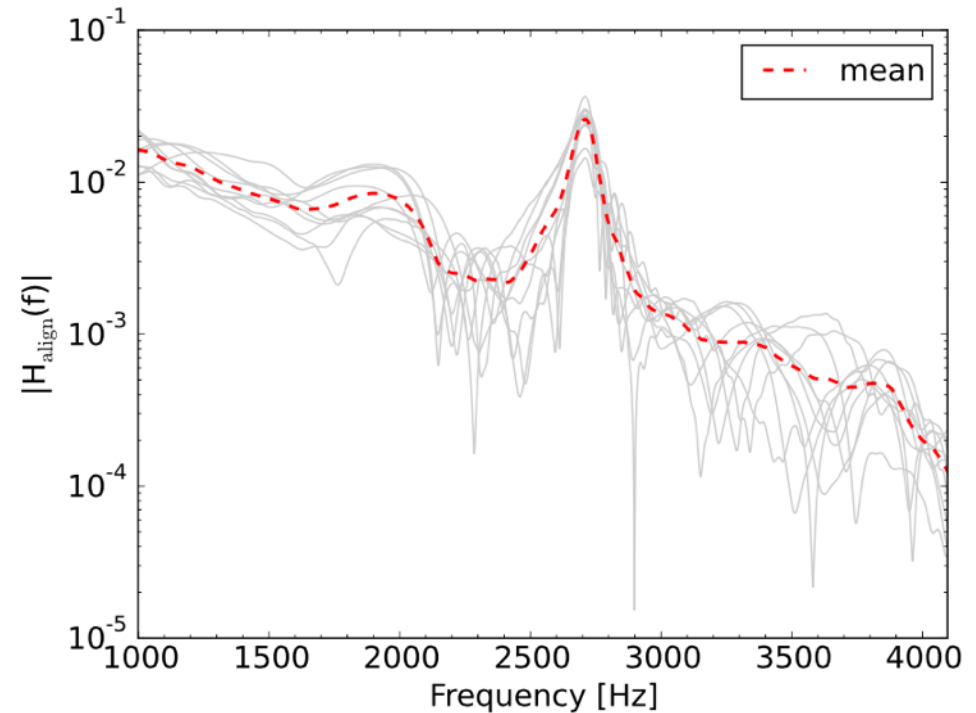
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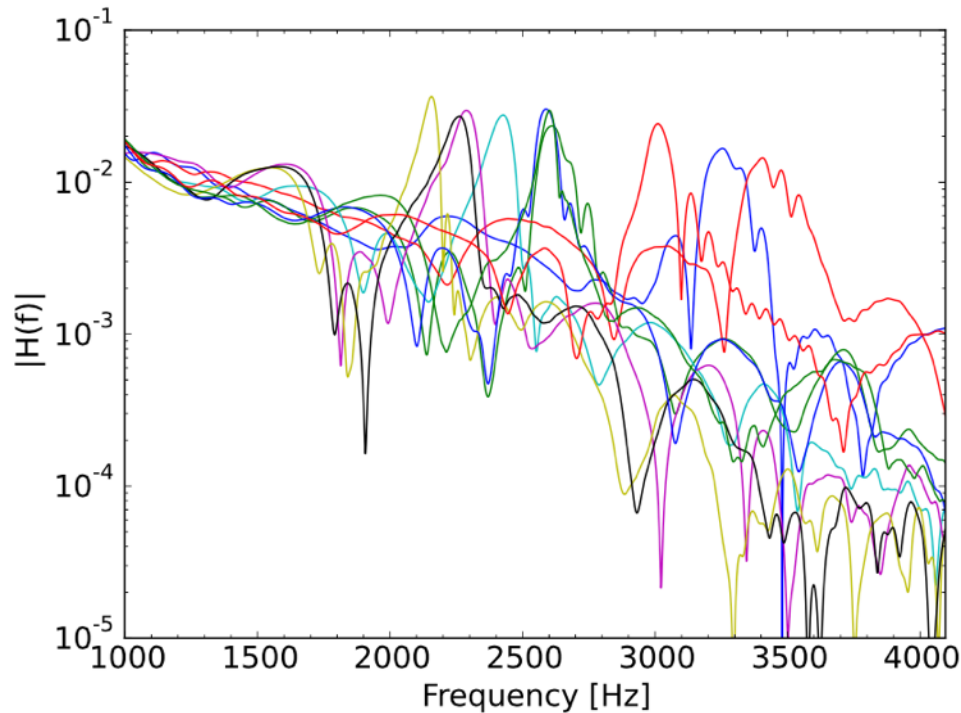
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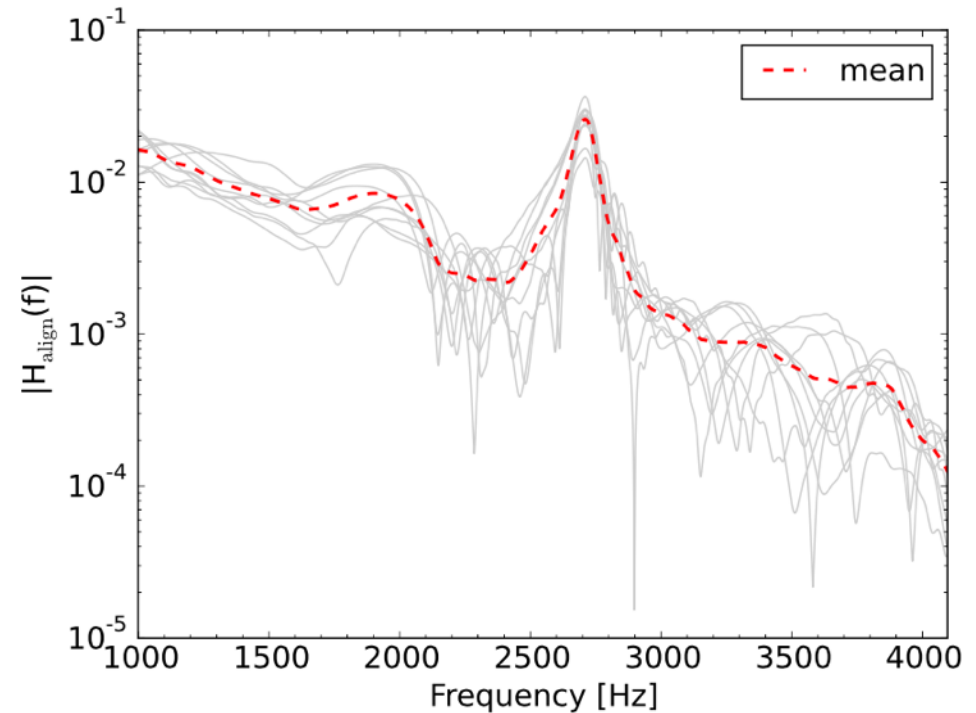
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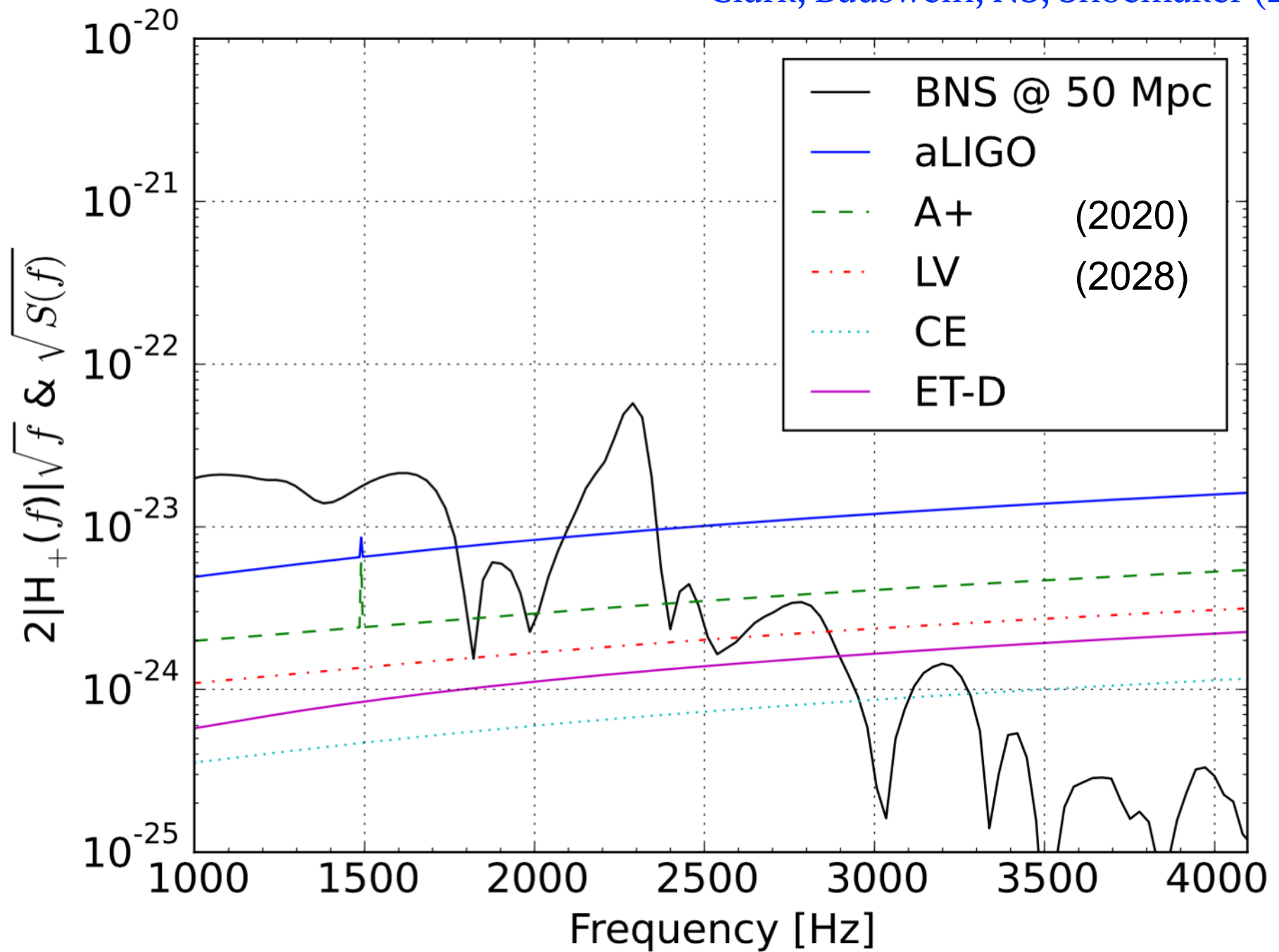


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Our PCA template extracts **>90%** of signal power compared to only 40% when using simple burst analysis.

Detectability

Clark, Bauswein, NS, Shoemaker (2016)



Coherent Wave Burst Analysis

Clark, Bauswein, NS, Shoemaker (2016)

Instrument	SNR_{full}	SNR_{post}	D_{hor} [Mpc]	$\dot{\mathcal{N}}_{\text{det}}$ [year ⁻¹]
aLIGO	2.99 ^{3.86} _{2.37}	1.48 ^{1.86} _{1.13}	29.89 ^{38.57} _{23.76}	0.01 ^{0.03} _{0.01}
A+	7.89 ^{10.16} _{6.25}	4.19 ^{5.35} _{3.26}	78.89 ^{101.67} _{62.52}	0.13 ^{0.20} _{0.10}
LV	14.06 ^{18.13} _{11.16}	7.28 ^{9.30} _{5.64}	140.56 ^{181.29} _{111.60}	0.41 ^{0.88} _{0.21}
ET-D	26.65 ^{34.28} _{20.81}	12.16 ^{15.31} _{9.34}	266.52 ^{342.80} _{208.06}	2.81 ^{5.98} _{1.33}
CE	41.50 ^{53.52} _{32.99}	20.52 ^{25.83} _{15.72}	414.62 ^{535.22} _{329.88}	10.59 ^{22.78} _{5.33}

PLANNED UPGRADES AND NEW DETECTORS

Clark, Bauswein, NS, Shoemaker (2016)

LIGO A+ [74, 75] a set of upgrades to the existing LIGO facilities, including frequency-dependent squeezed light, improved mirror coatings and potentially increased laser beam sizes. Noise amplitude spectral sensitivity would be improved by a factor of ~ 2.5 -3 over 1–4 kHz. A+ could begin operation as early as 2017–18.

LIGO Voyager (LV) [75] a major upgrade to the existing LIGO facilities, including higher laser power, changes to materials used for suspensions and mirror substrates and, possibly, low temperature operation. LV would become operational around 2027–28 and offer noise amplitude spectral sensitivity improvements of ~ 4.5 -5 over 1–4 kHz.

LIGO Cosmic Explorer (CE) [75] a new LIGO facility rather than an upgrade, with operation envisioned to commence after 2035, probably as part of a network with LIGO Voyager. In its simplest incarnation, Cosmic Explorer would be a straightforward extrapolation of A+ technology to a much longer arm length of 40 km, referred to as CE1 which would be $\sim 14\times$ more sensitive than aLIGO over 1–4 kHz. An alternative extrapolation is that of Voyager technology to the 40 km arm length, referred to as CE2. CE2 is only $\sim 8\times$ more sensitive than aLIGO for the frequency range of interest in this study. For simplicity, we consider only CE1.

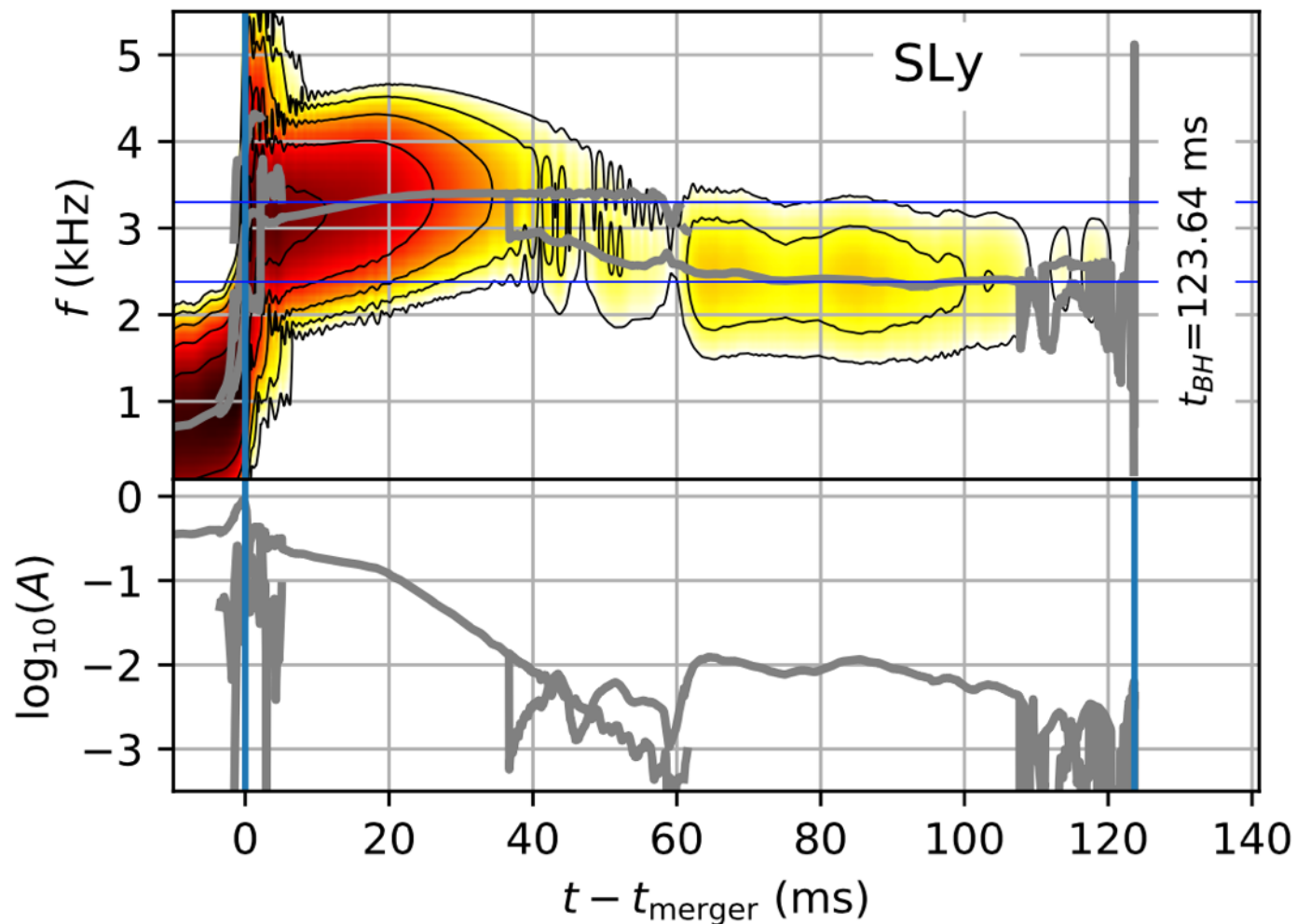
Einstein Telescope (ET-D) [76, 77] the European third-generation GW detector. In this work, we consider the ET-D configuration which is comprised of two individual interferometers where one targets low frequency sensitivity and the other high frequency sensitivity. Both interferometers will be of 10 km arm length and housed in an underground facility. Furthermore, the full observatory will consist of three such detectors in a triangle arrangement. ET-D is $\sim 8\times$ more sensitive than aLIGO over 1–4 kHz. Due to the network configuration (i.e., the alignment of the component instruments) the effective sensitivity of ET-D is $\sim 18\%$ higher than that for a single ET-D detector.

Inertial Modes!

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Convective excitation of inertial modes in binary neutron star mergers

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30 million
core hours
(PRACE)

Convective Instability

The local convective instability depends on the sign of the Schwarzschild discriminant

$$A_{\alpha} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon + p} \nabla_{\alpha} \varepsilon - \frac{1}{\Gamma_1 p} \nabla_{\alpha} p$$

where

$$\Gamma_1 := (\varepsilon + p)/p(dp/d\varepsilon)_s = (d \ln p / d \ln \rho)_s$$

is the adiabatic index.

$A_{\alpha} < 0$ convective stability

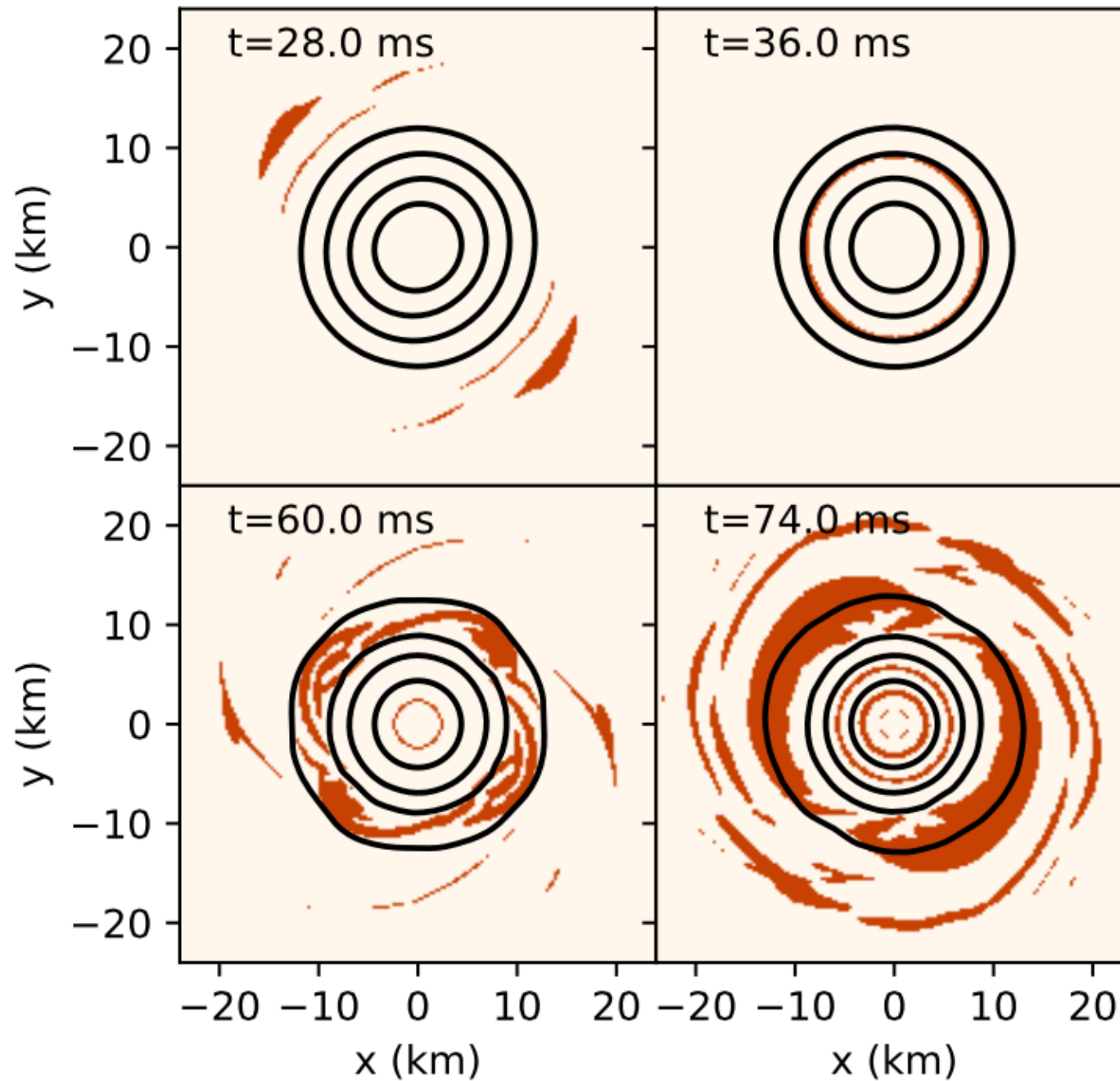
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For a piecewise-polytropic EOS with a thermal component, we find analytically:

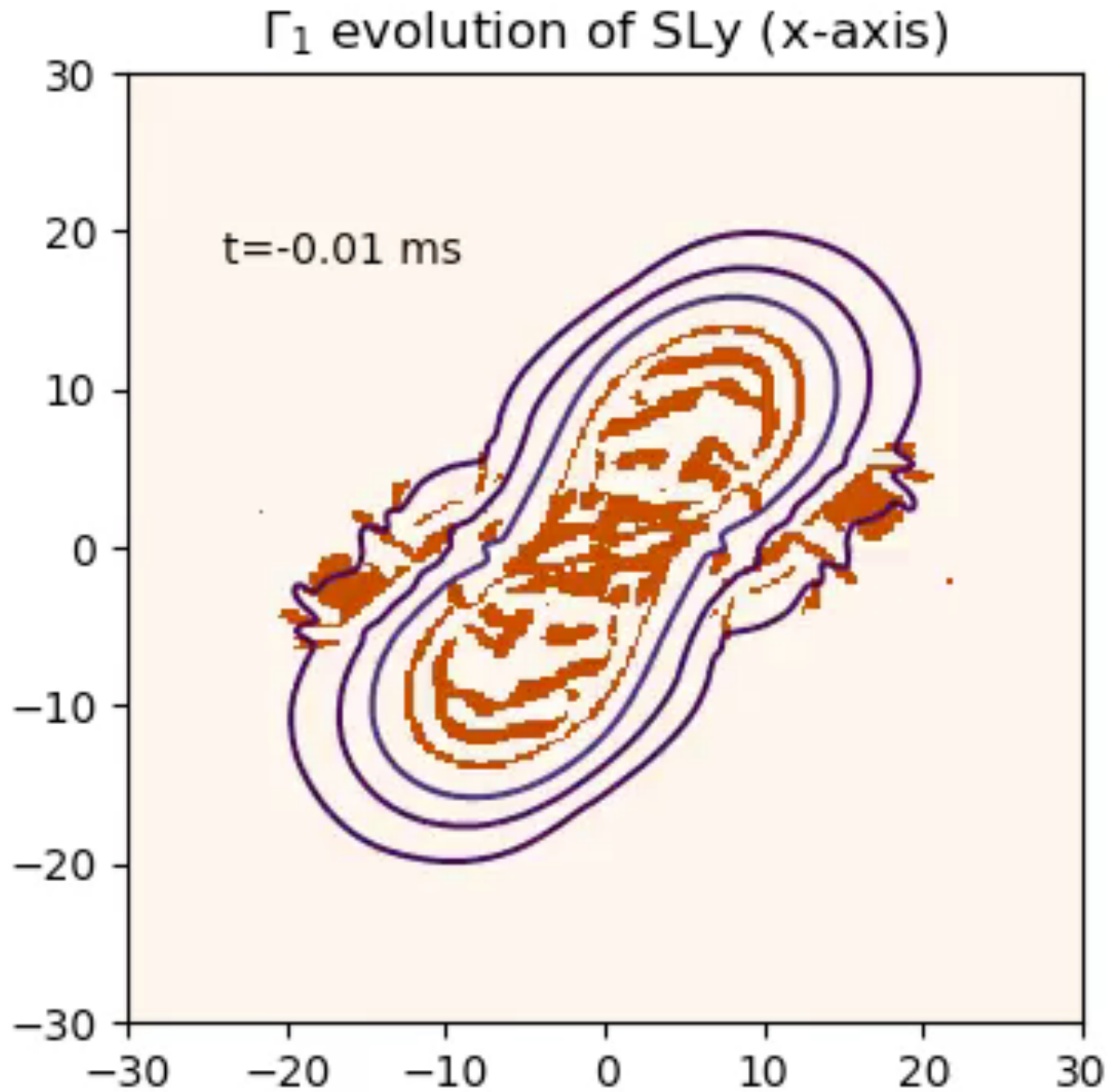
$$\Gamma_1 = \Gamma_{\text{th}} + (\Gamma_i - \Gamma_{\text{th}}) \frac{K_i \rho^{\Gamma_i}}{p}$$

Convective Instability

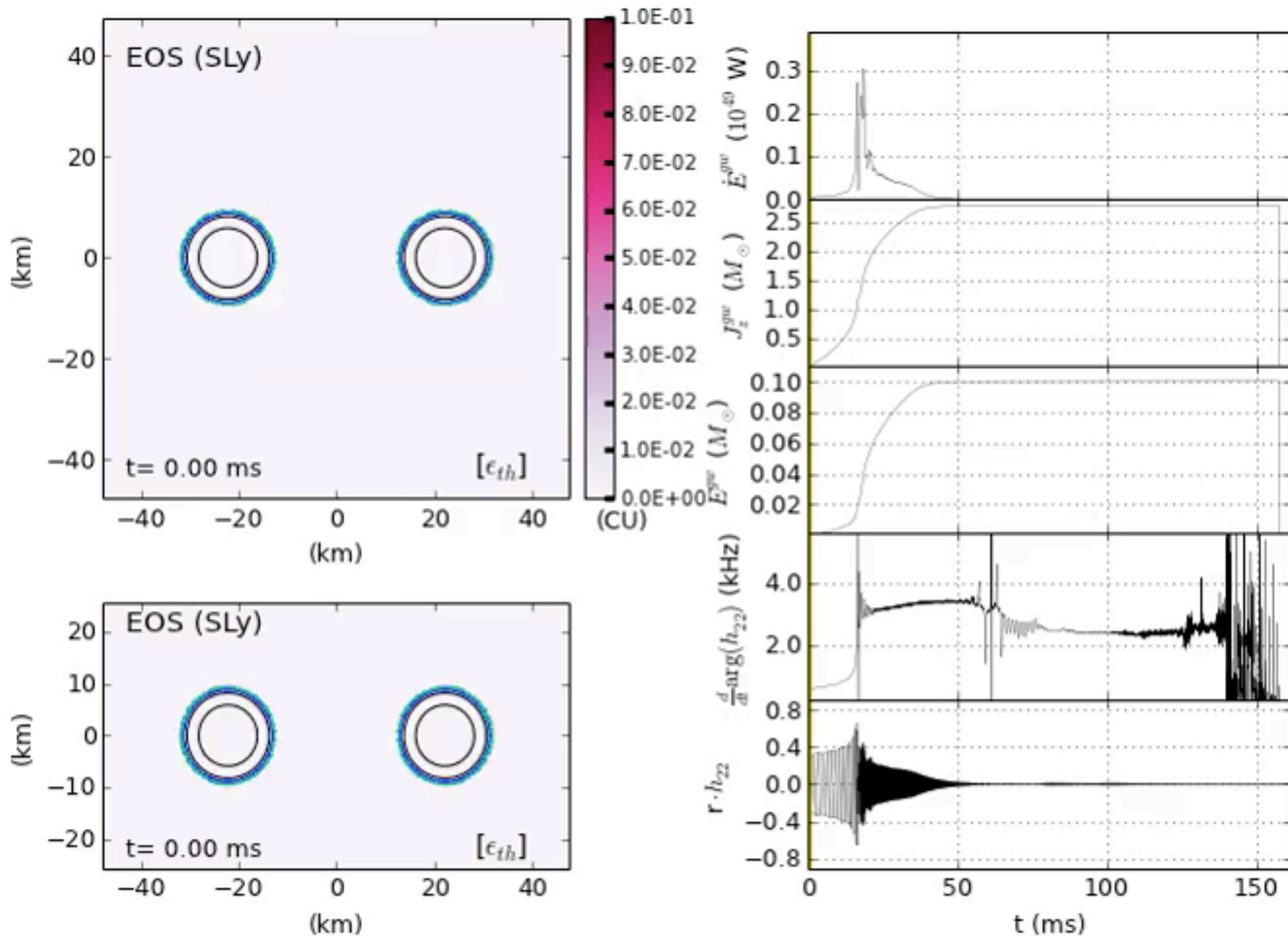
The sign of A_r in the equatorial plane:



Convective Instability

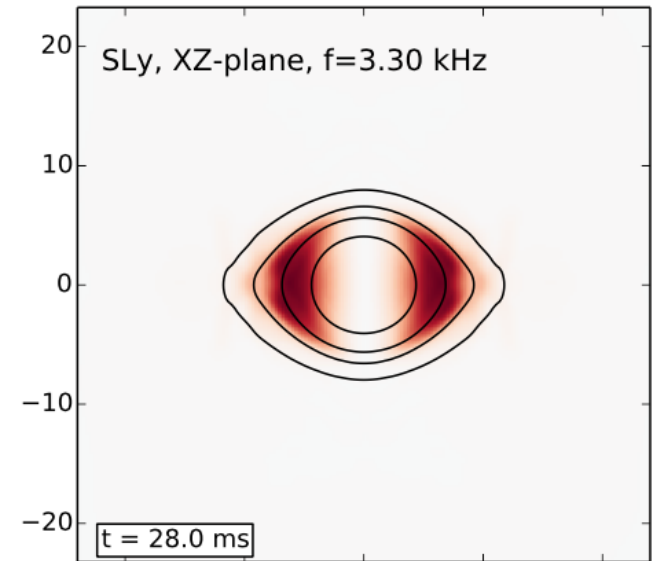
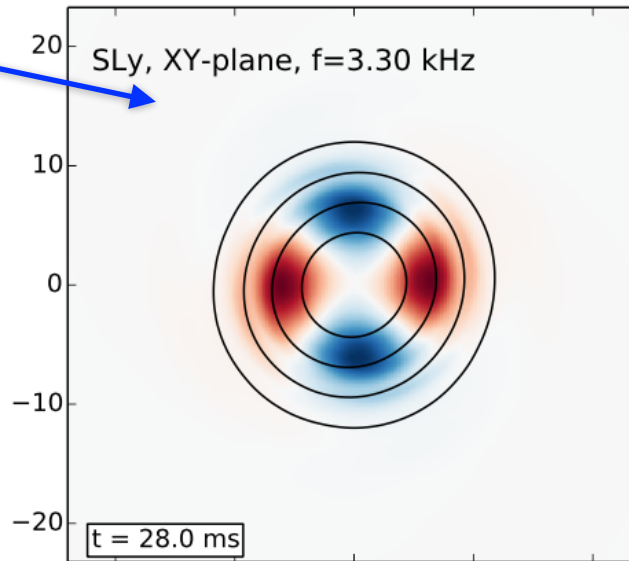
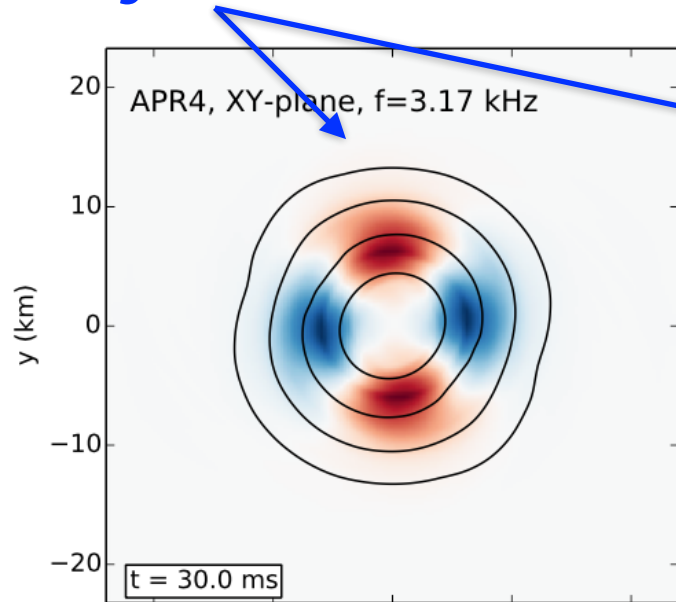


Thermal Evolution



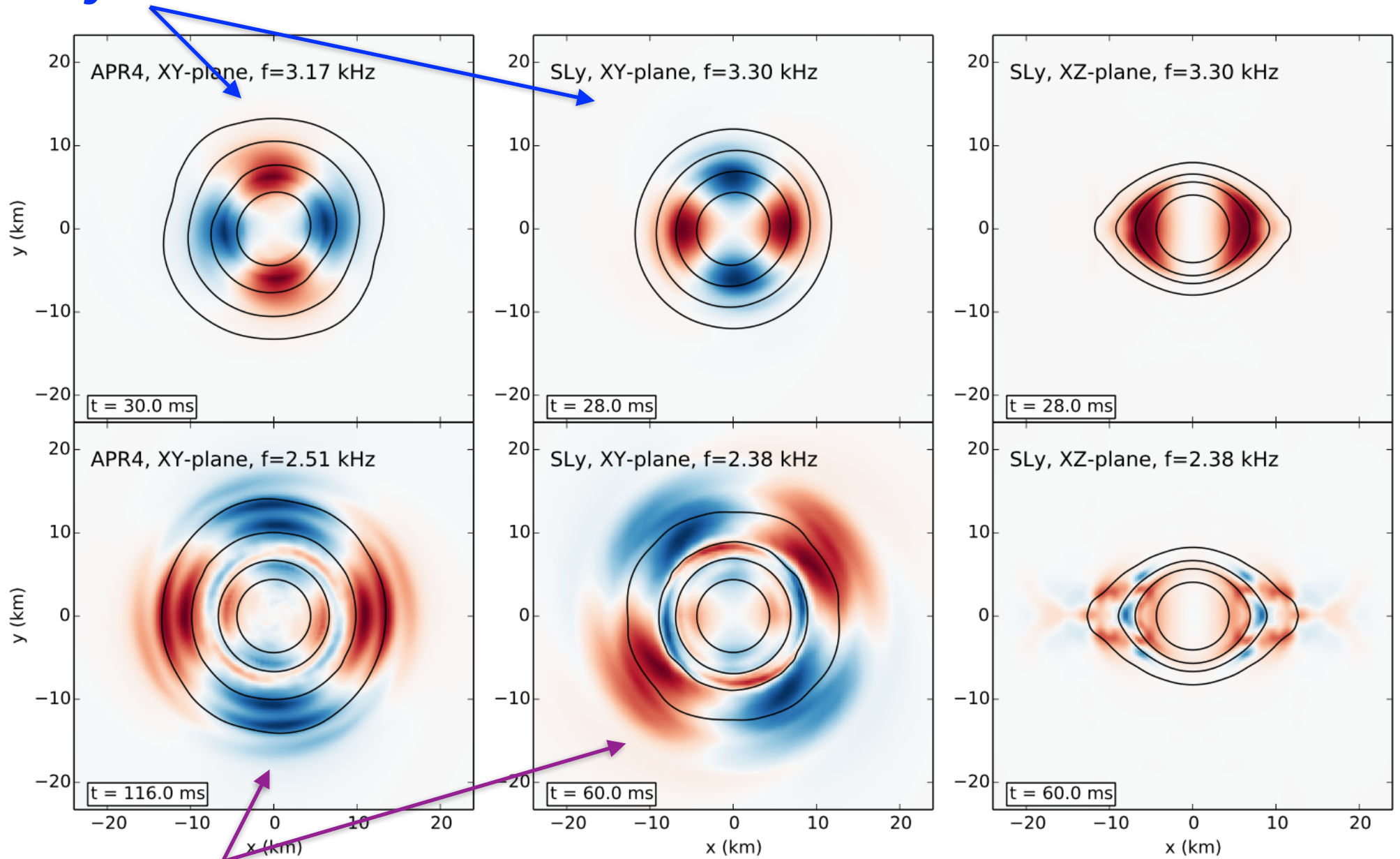
Oscillations

***f*-modes**



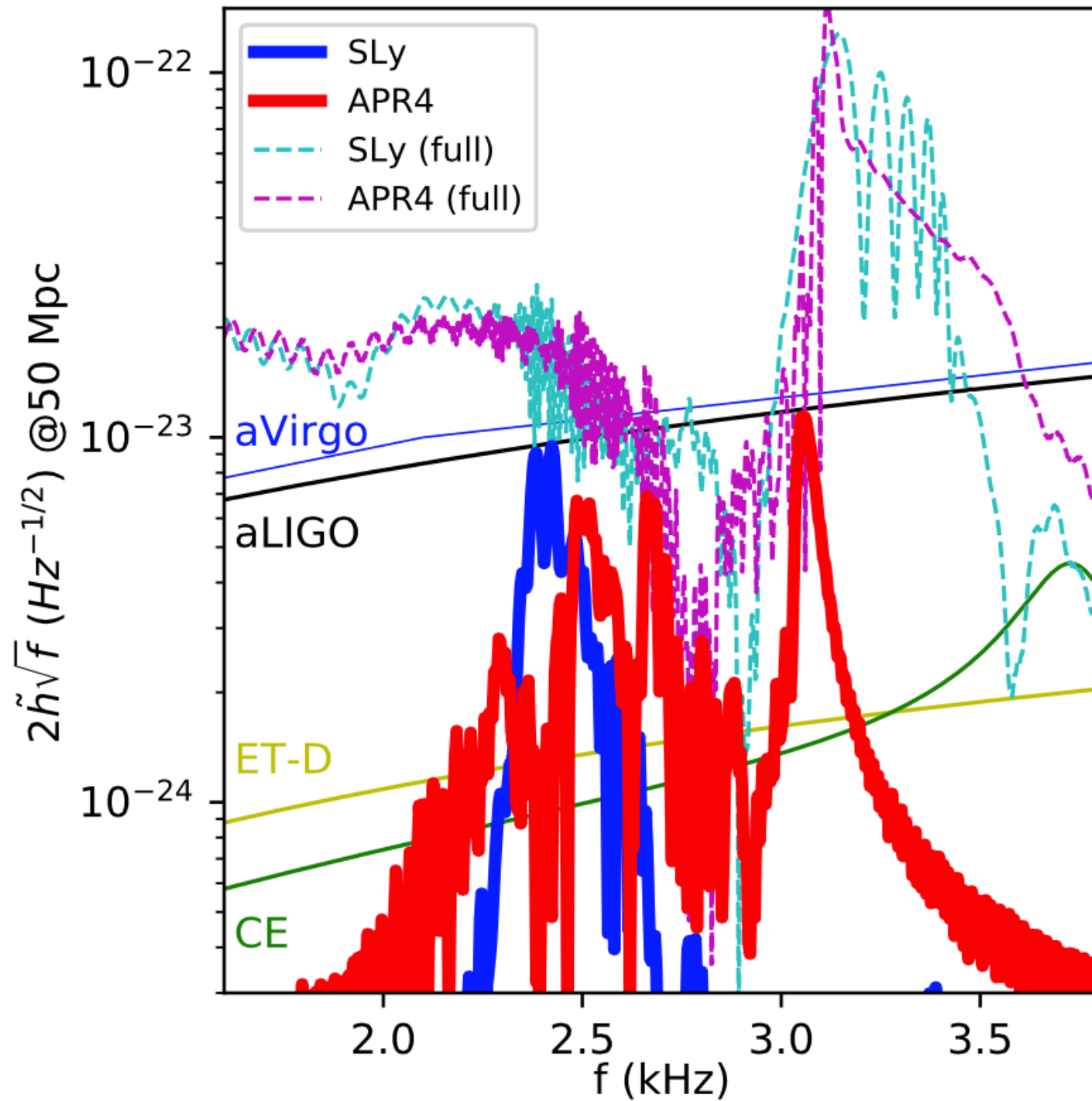
Oscillations

***f*-modes**



***inertial* modes**

Gravitational Wave Spectrum



Summary

- Based on GW170817 and causality, we set a strict minimum neutron star radius of 10.7km at $1.6M_{\text{sun}}$.
- Gravitational wave asteroseismology can constraint the neutron star radius to 0.4km with future observations.
- Principal Component Analysis (PCA) sufficient to reach $>90\%$ of optimal signal.
- We discover convective instabilities and inertial modes that can probe the thermal part of the EOS.
- Once the EOS is well constrained, one can investigate departures from GR.