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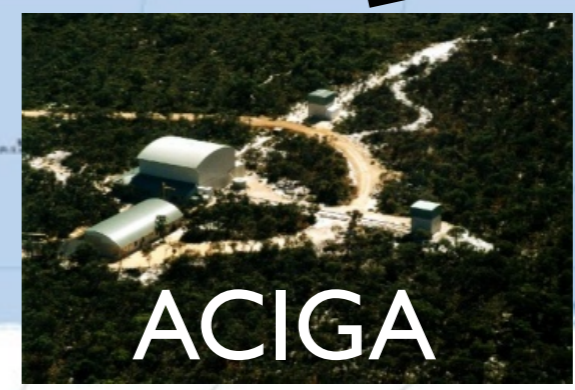


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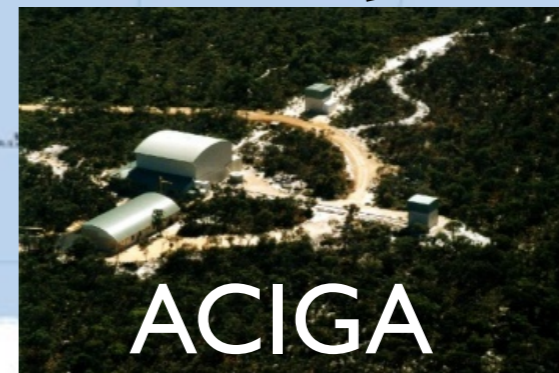


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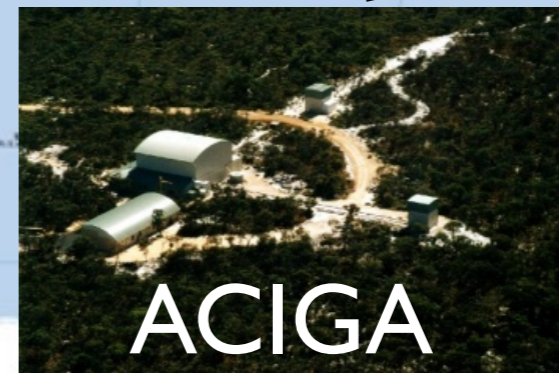


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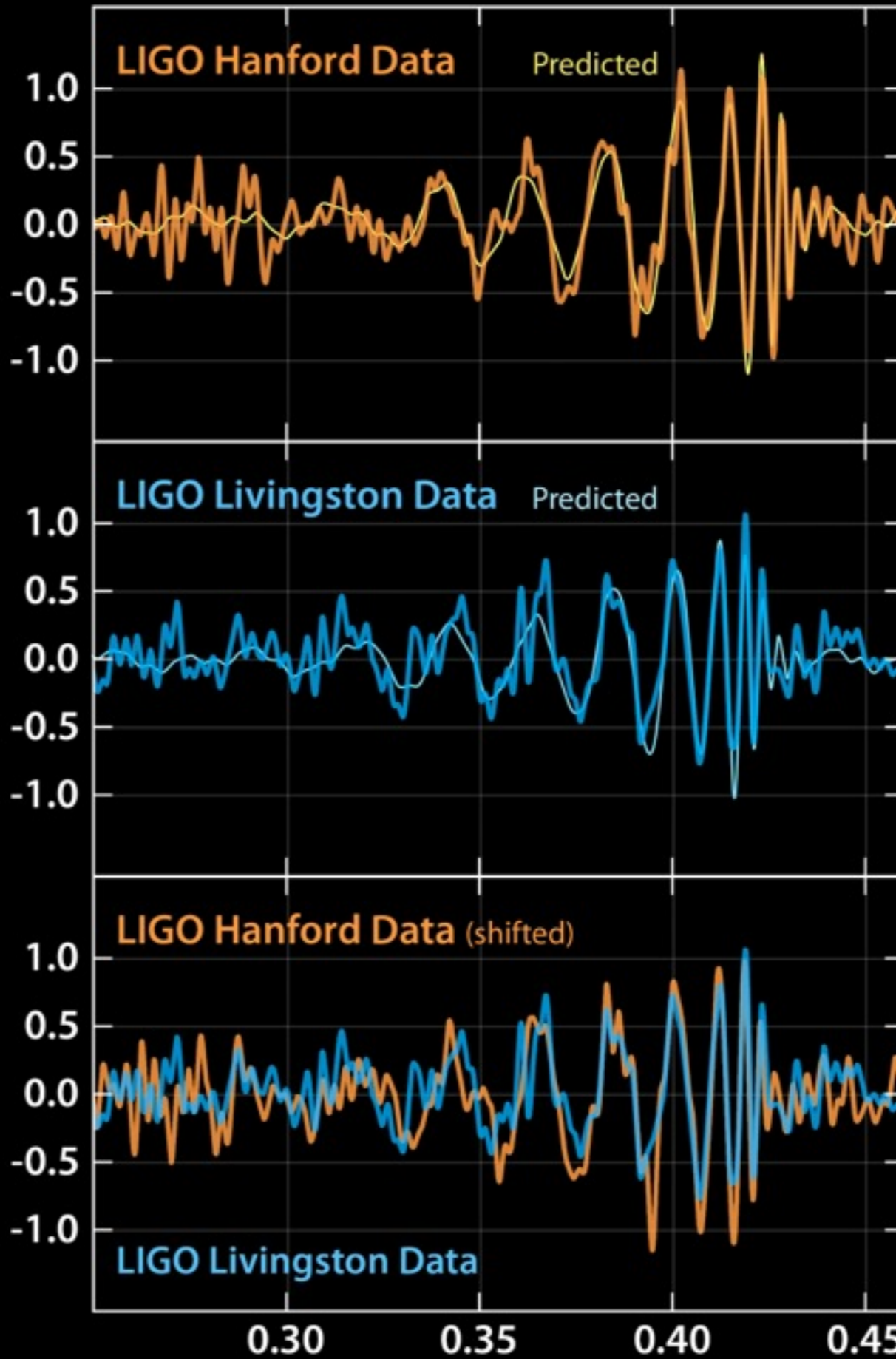
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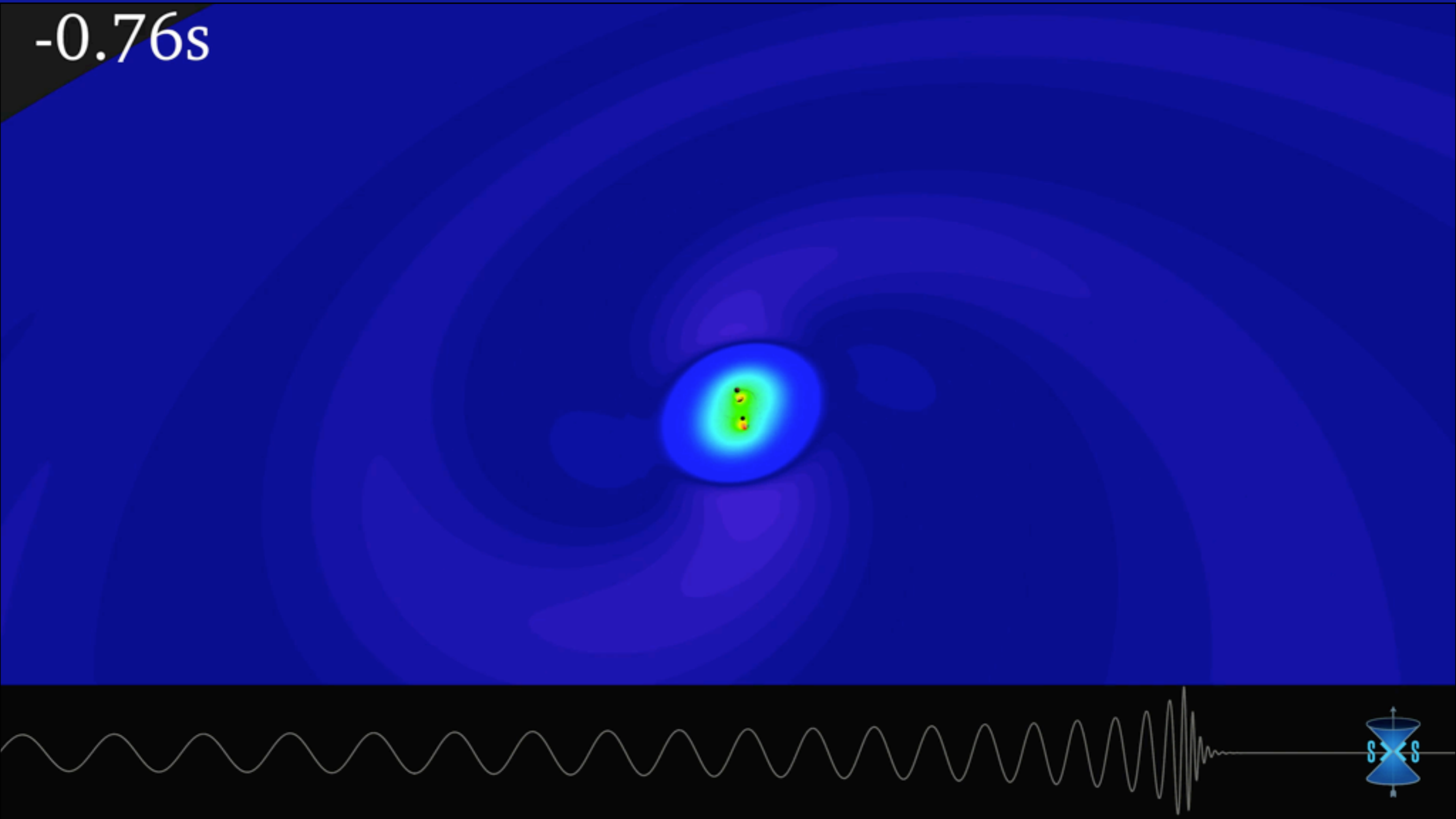


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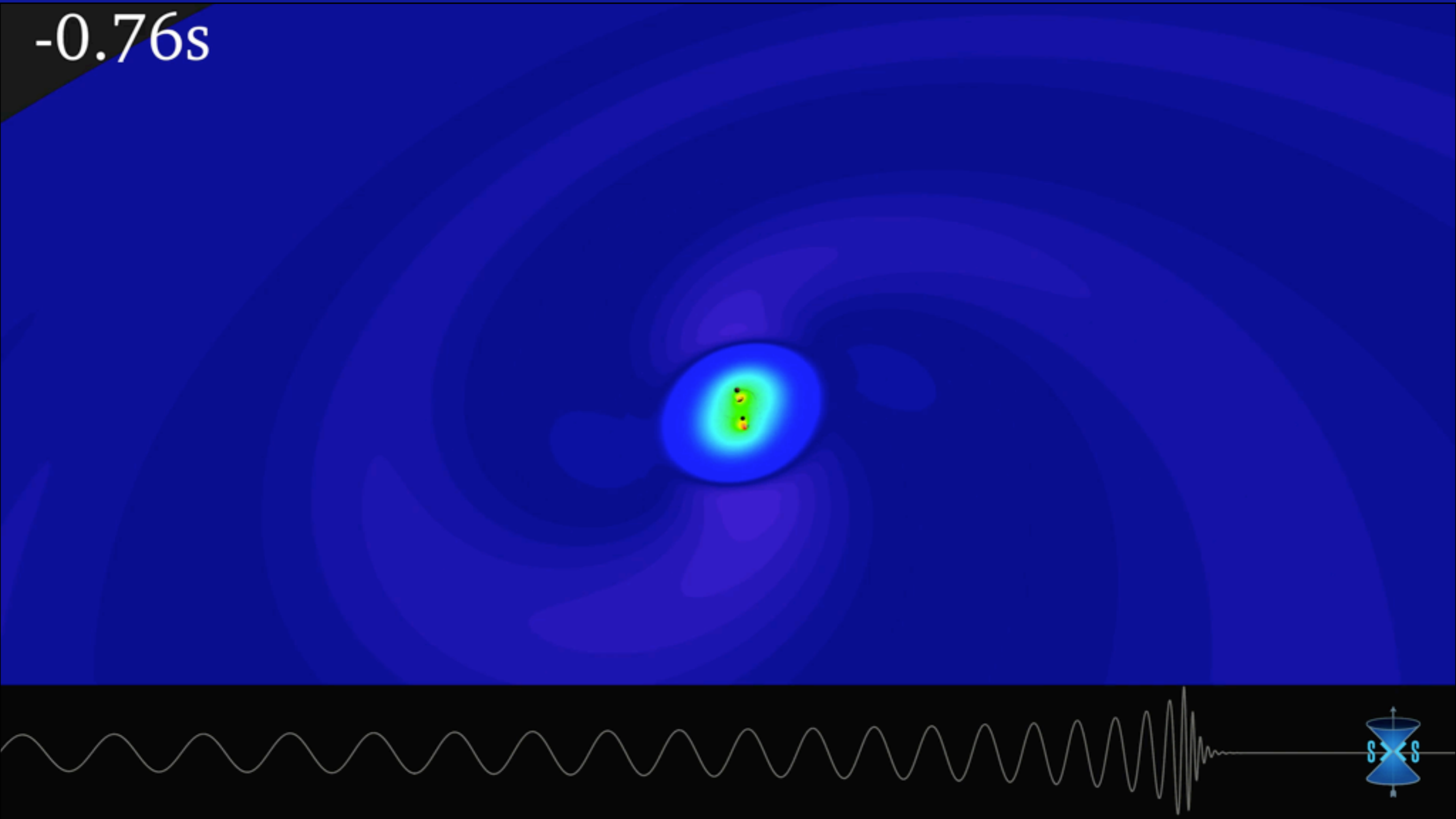
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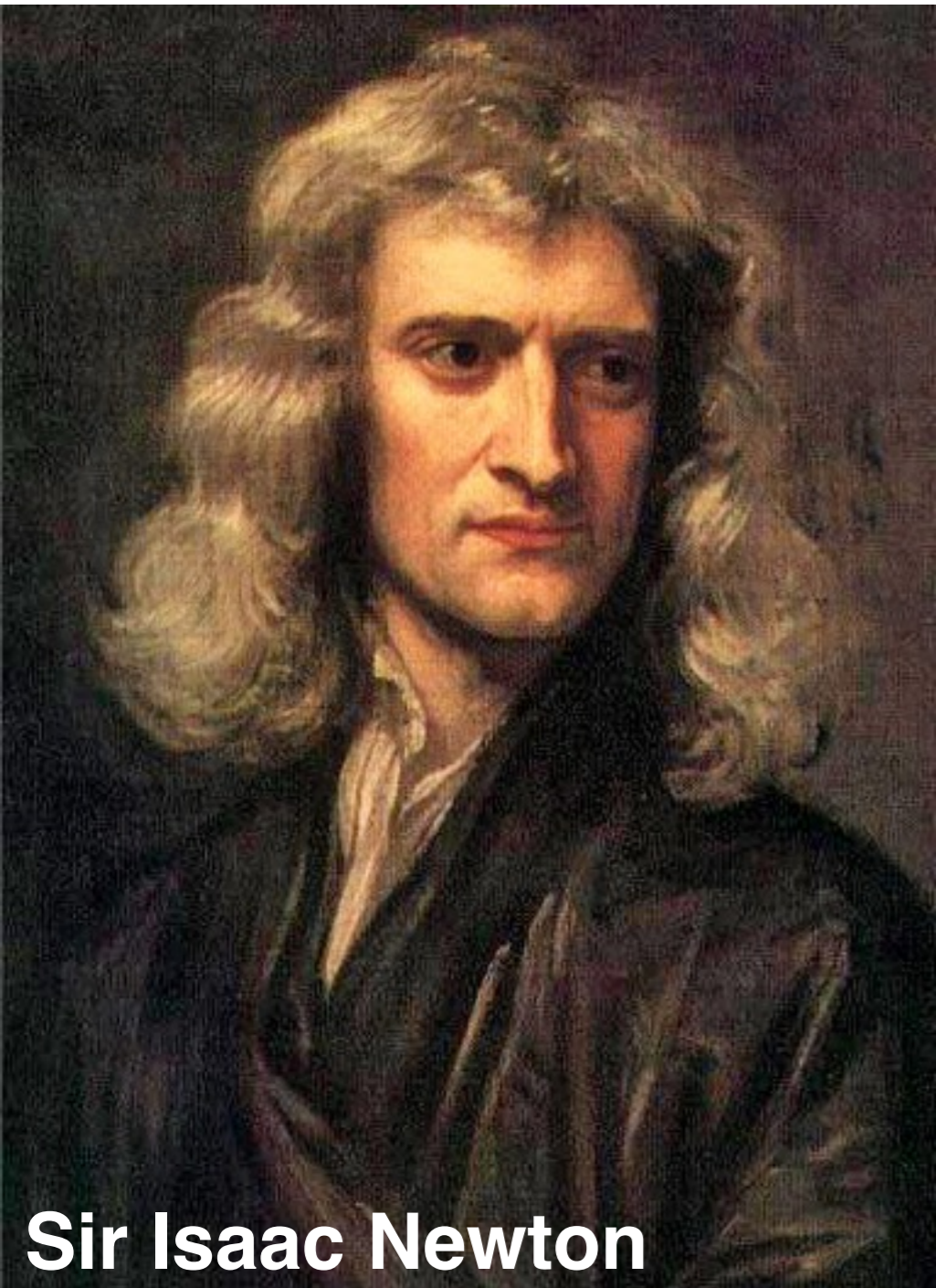
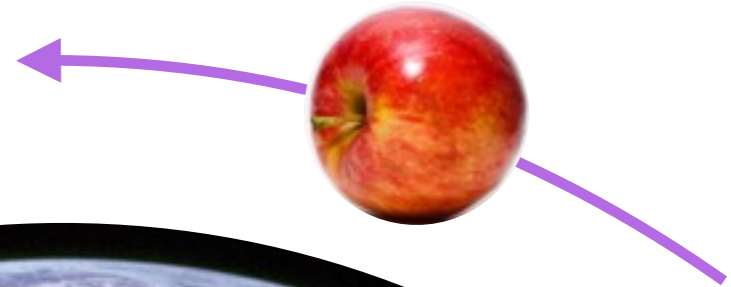
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# What is a Gravitational Wave?

$$F = \frac{Gm_1m_2}{r^2}$$

Implies immediate  
action at a distance



**Sir Isaac Newton**

By Sir Godfrey Kneller

- <http://www.newton.cam.ac.uk/art/portrait.html>

Earth - By NASA/Apollo 17 crew; taken by either Harrison Schmitt or Ron Evans  
- [http://www.nasa.gov/images/content/115334main\\_image\\_feature\\_329\\_ys\\_full.jpg](http://www.nasa.gov/images/content/115334main_image_feature_329_ys_full.jpg)  
- apple by Abhijit Tembhekar from Mumbai, India

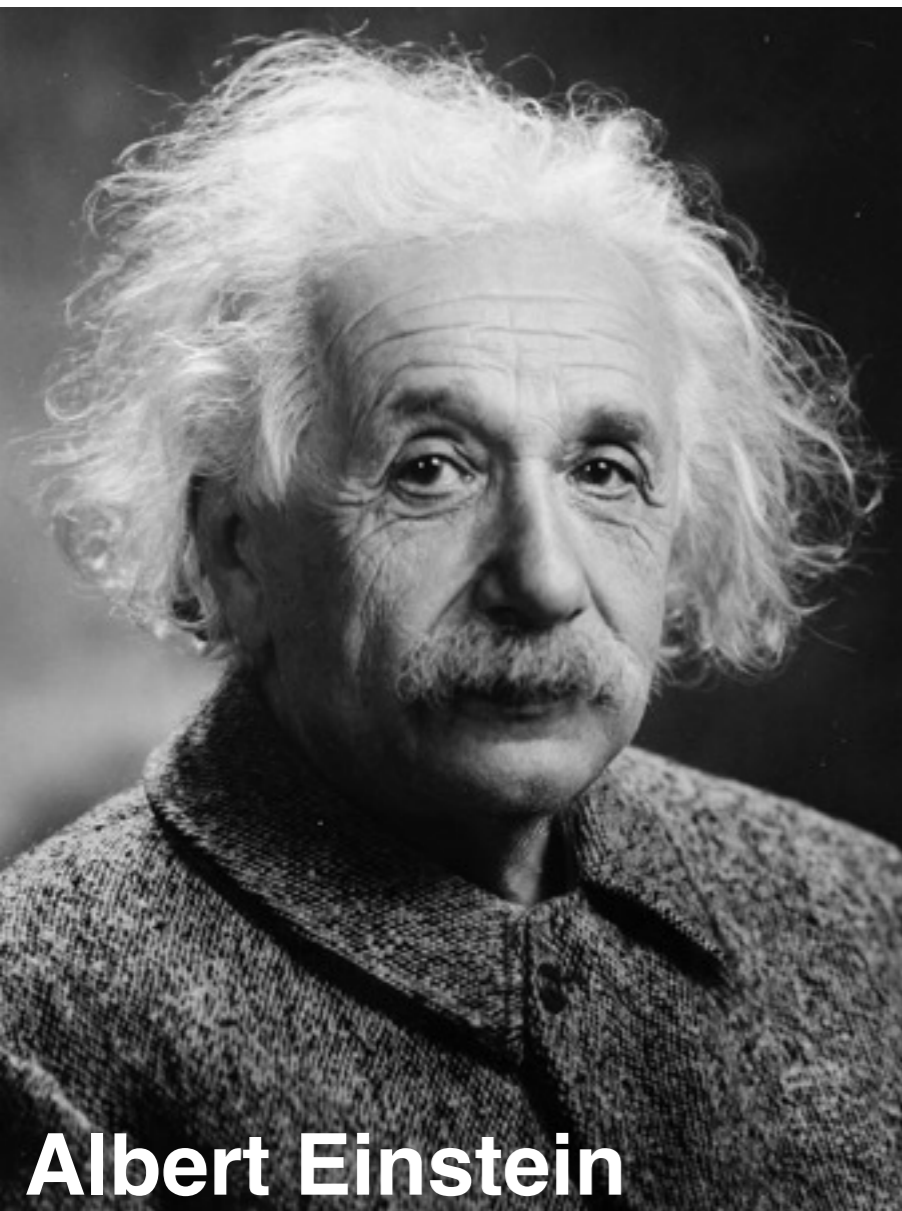
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Predicted by Einstein in 1916 as part of GR.

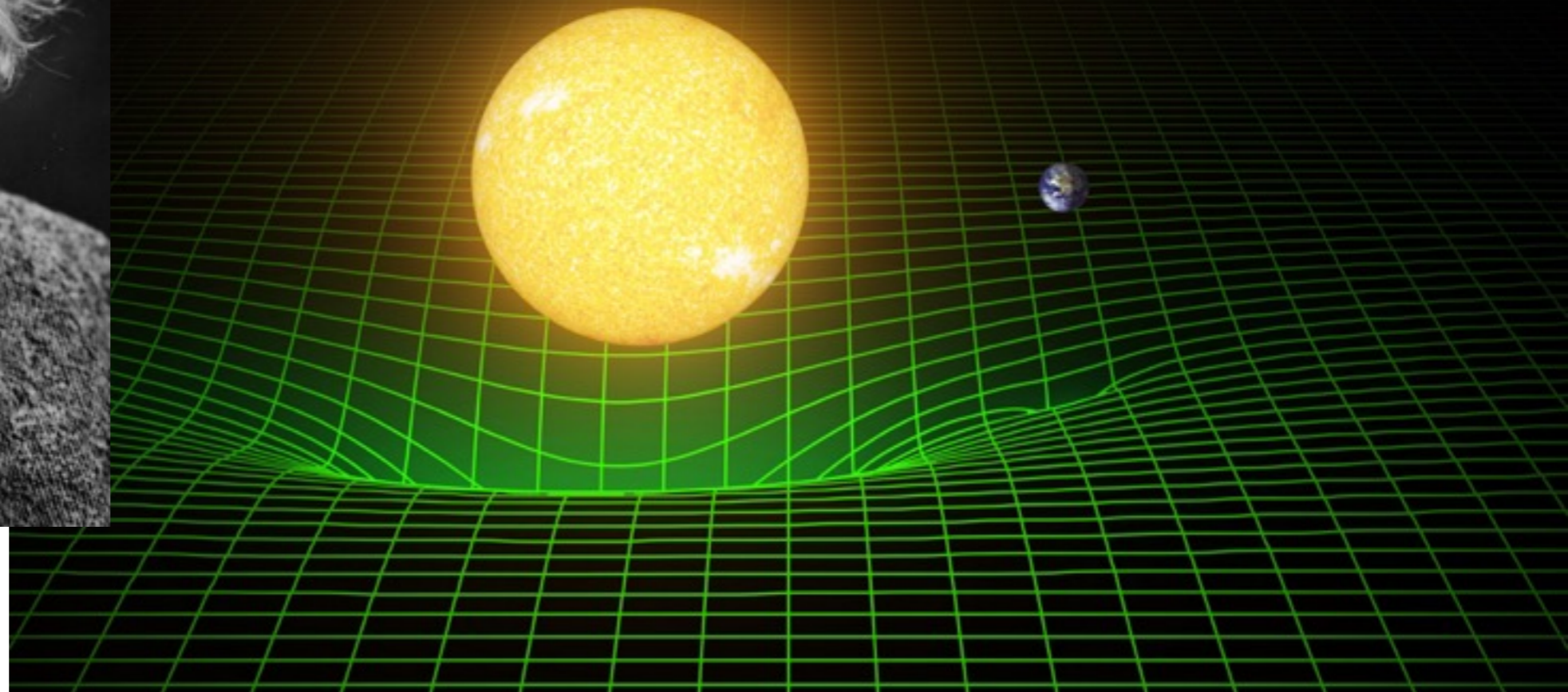
“Spacetime tells matter how to move,  
matter tells spacetime how to curve”

- J. A. Wheeler

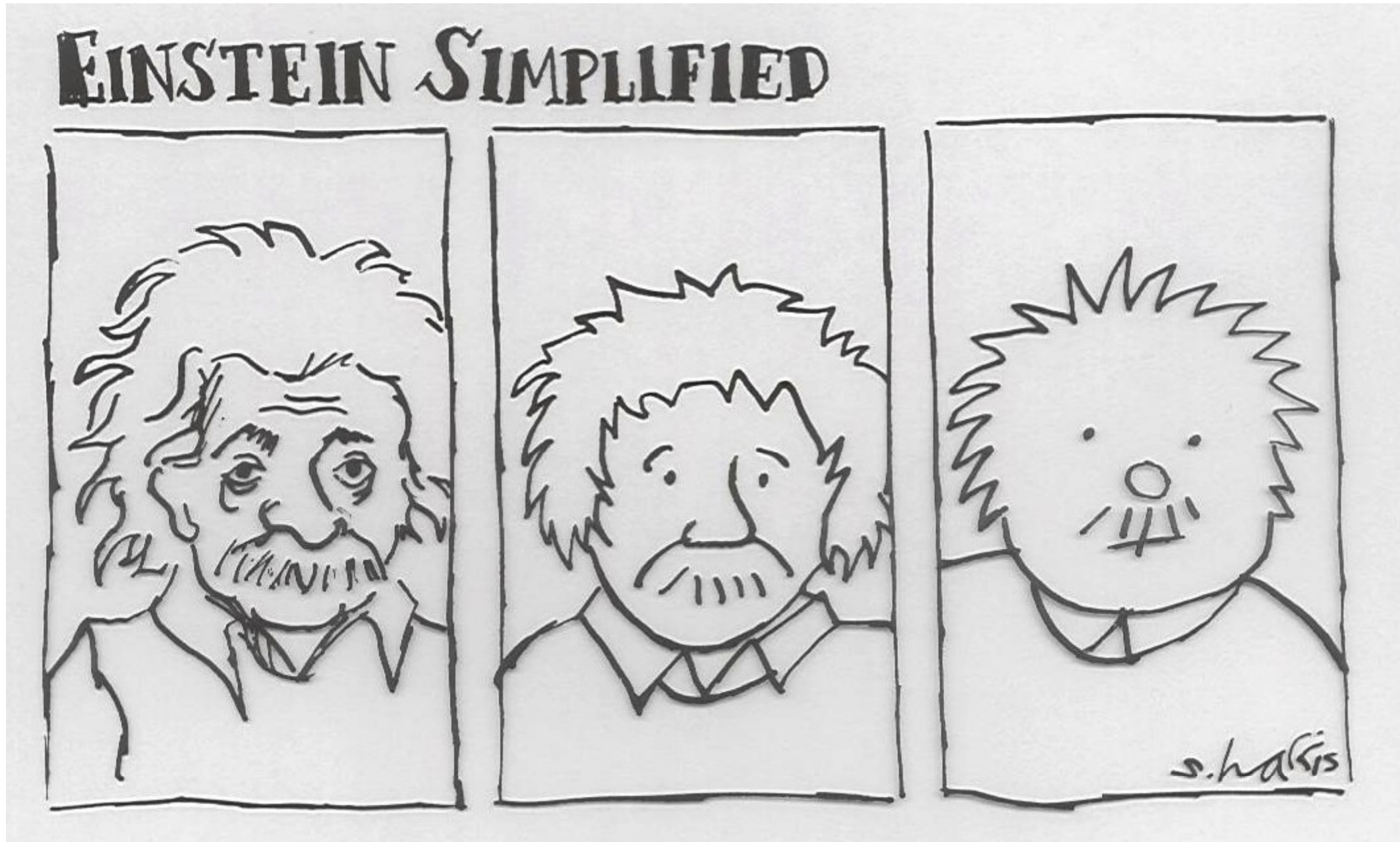
There are traveling wave solutions, the  
waves propagate at the speed of light



**Albert Einstein**



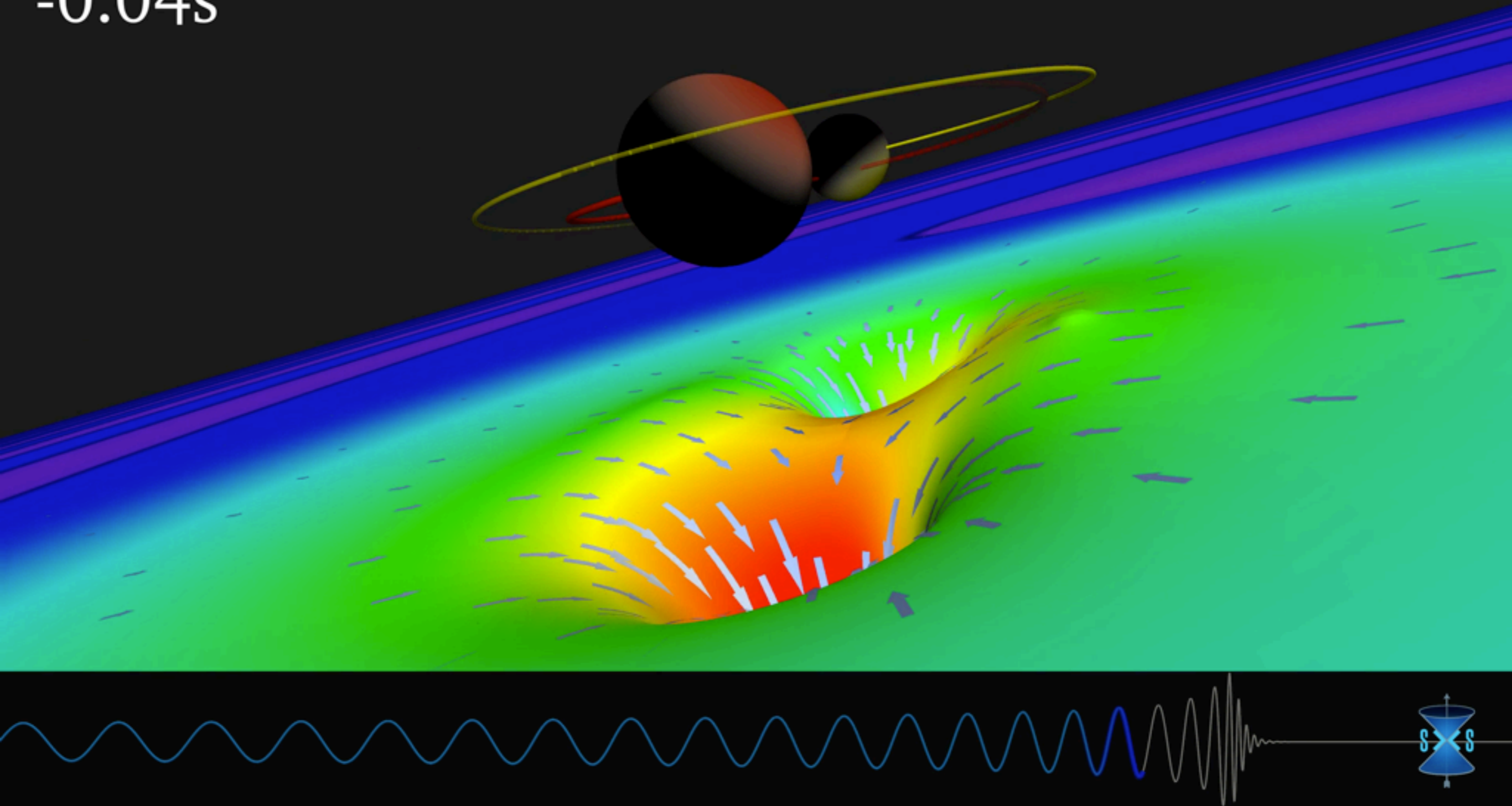
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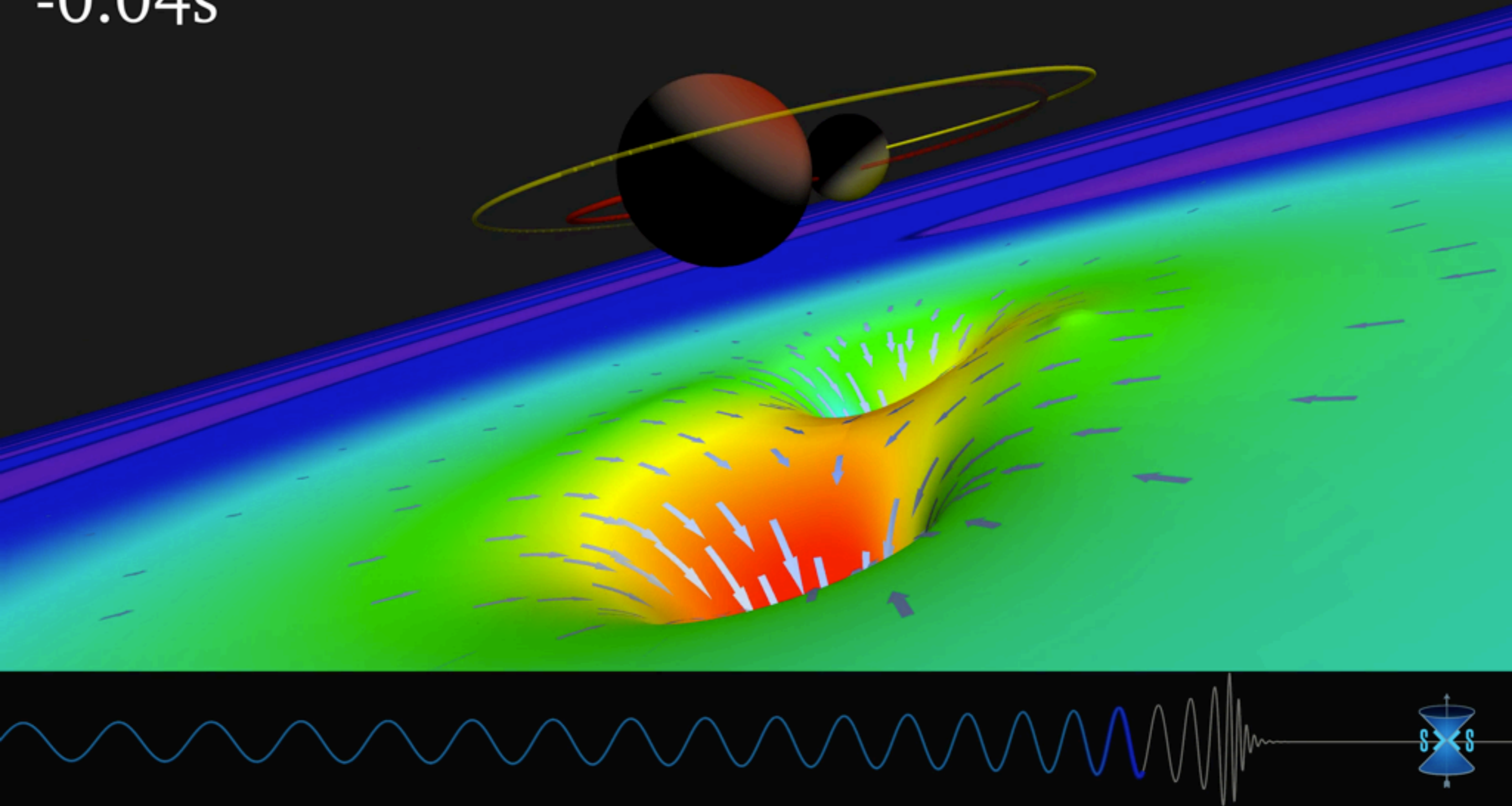
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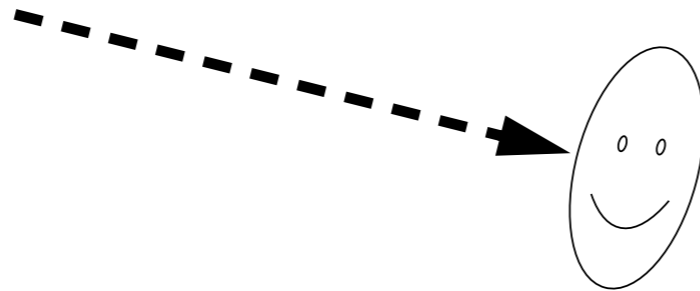
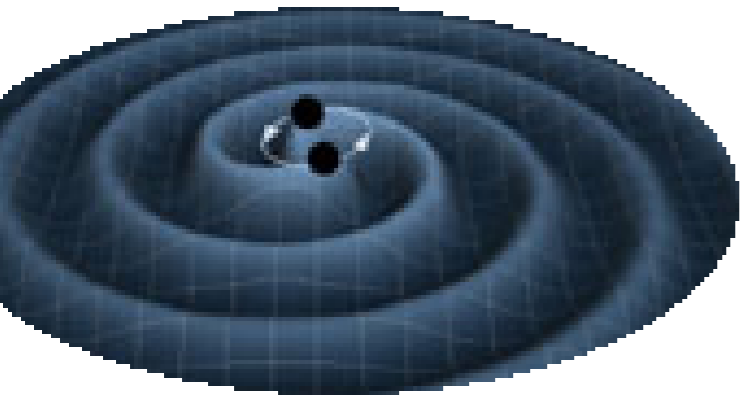


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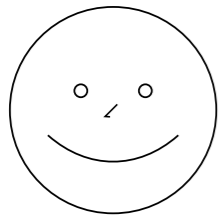
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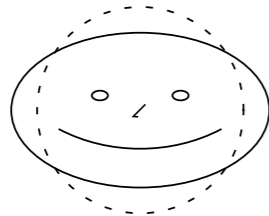
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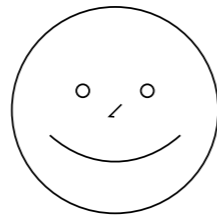
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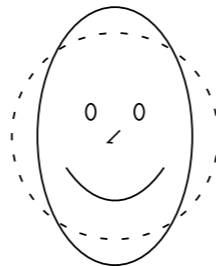
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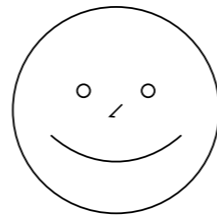
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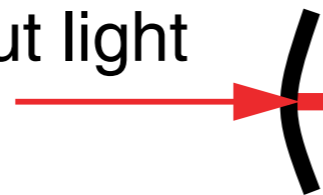


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$T = 1 \text{ Period}$

input light

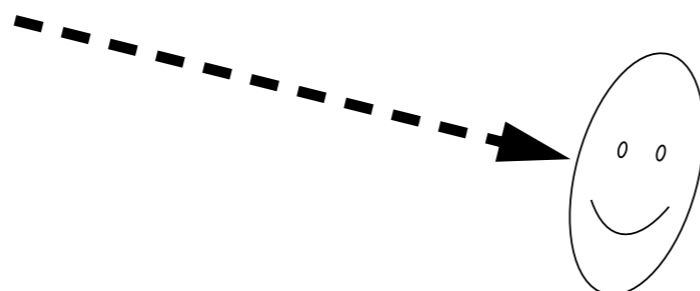
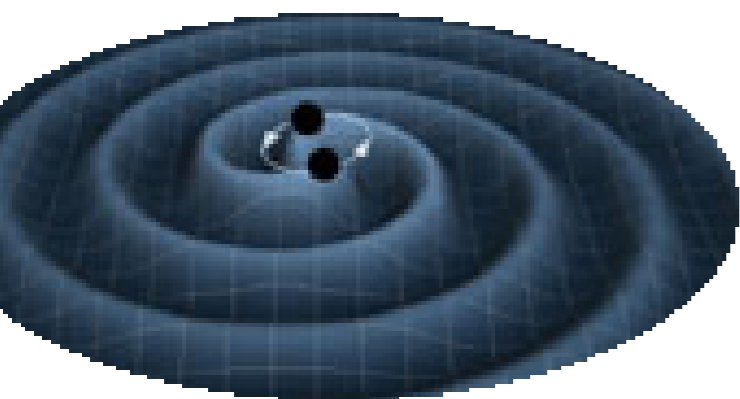


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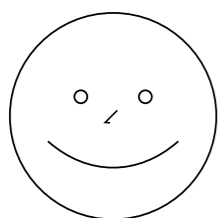
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output light, containing gravitational wave signal

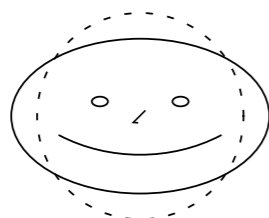
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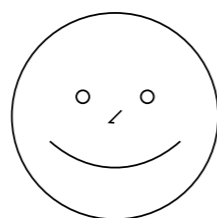
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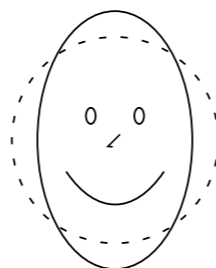
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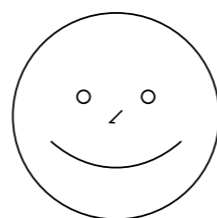
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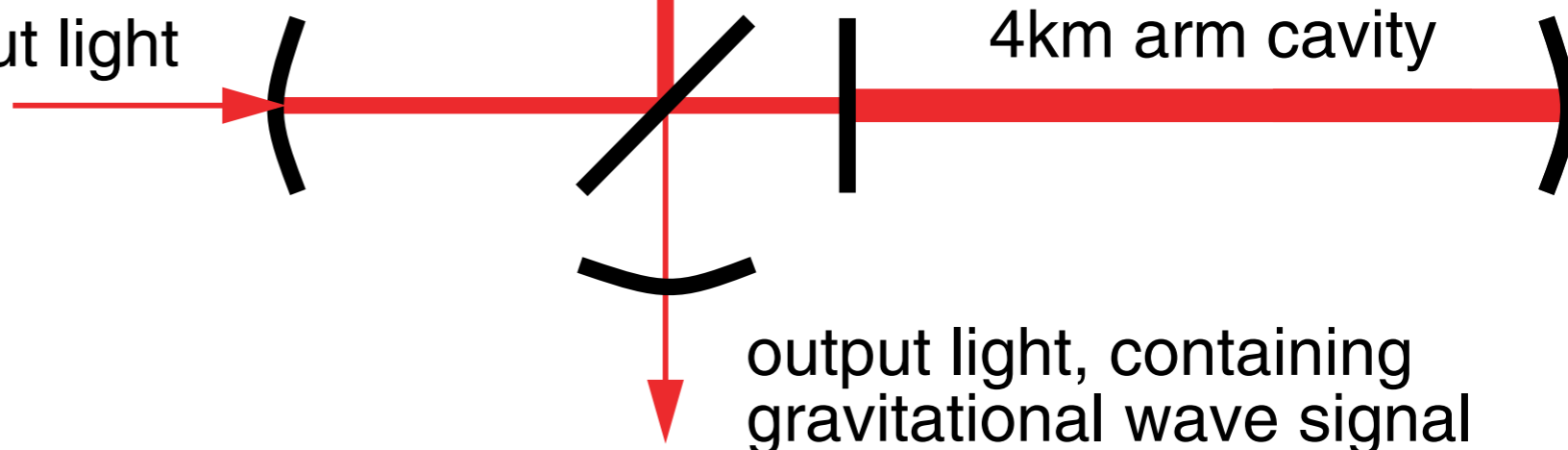


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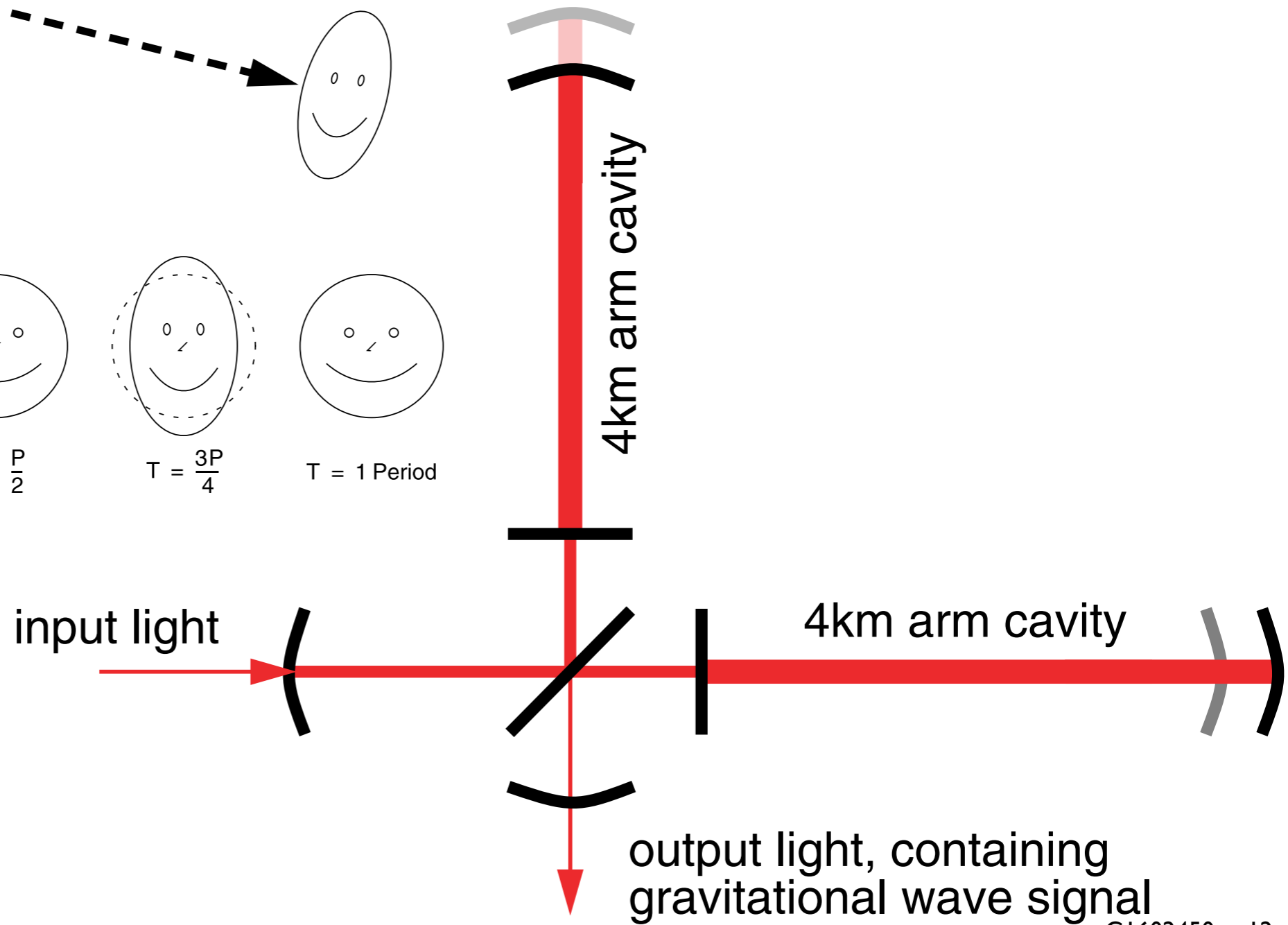
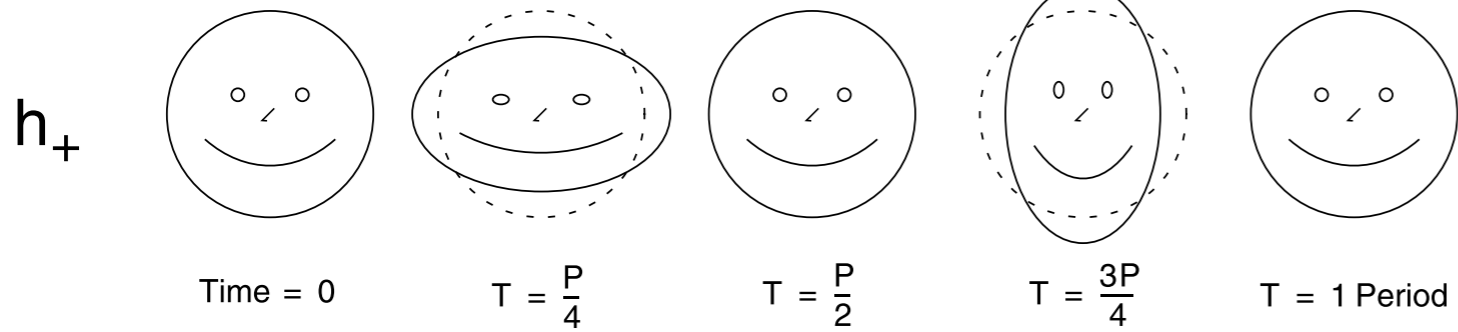
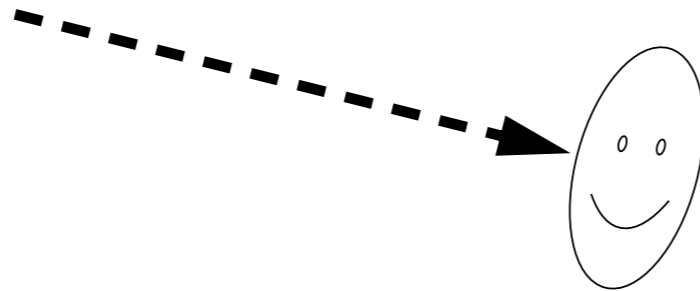
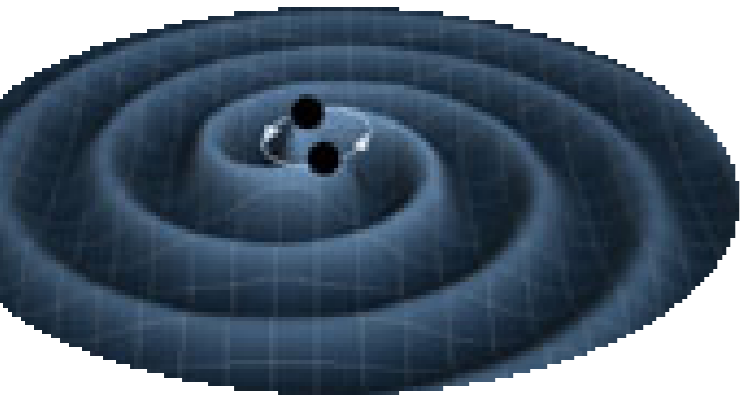


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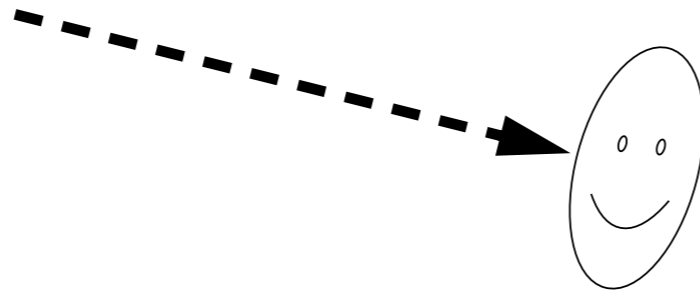
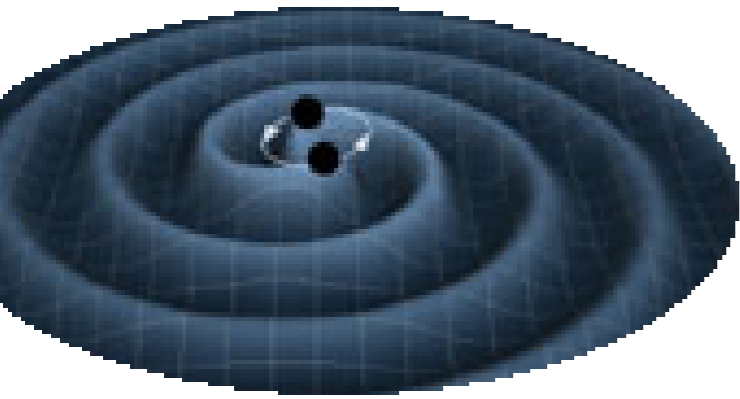
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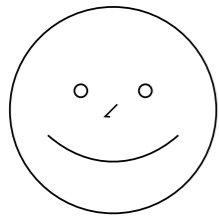
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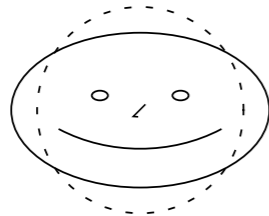
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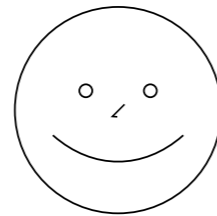
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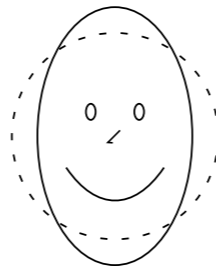
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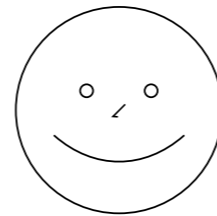
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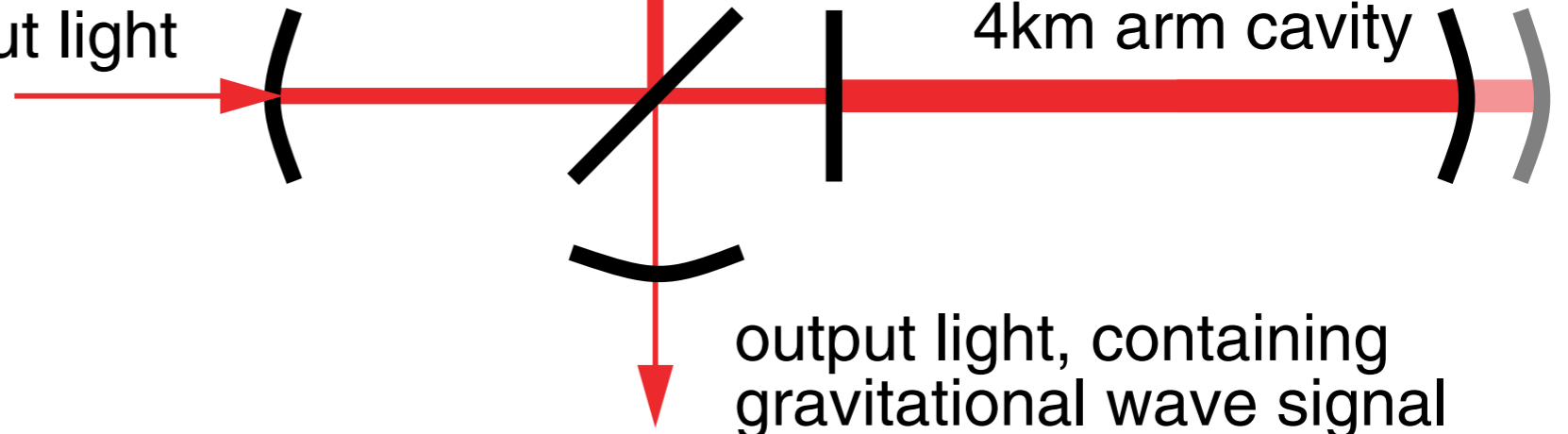


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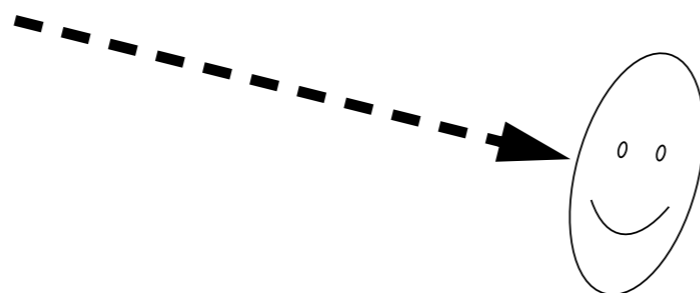
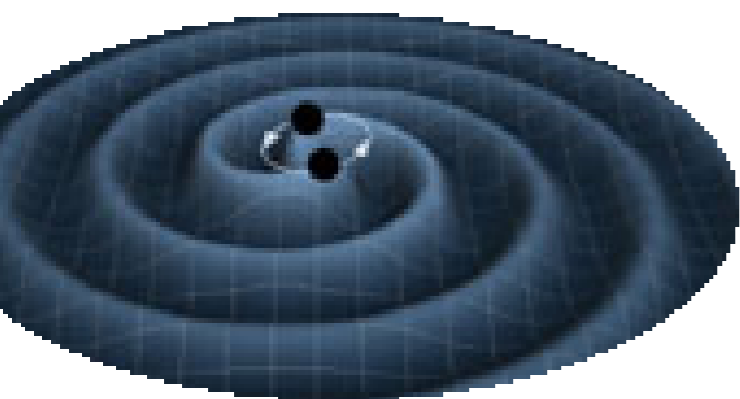


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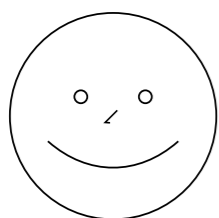
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output light, containing gravitational wave signal

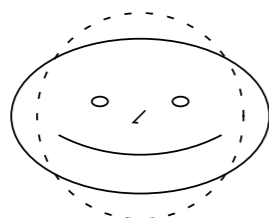
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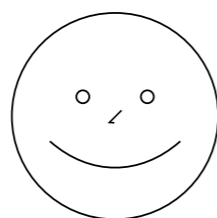
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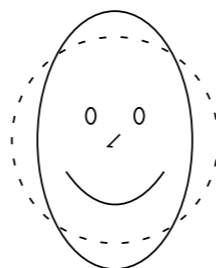
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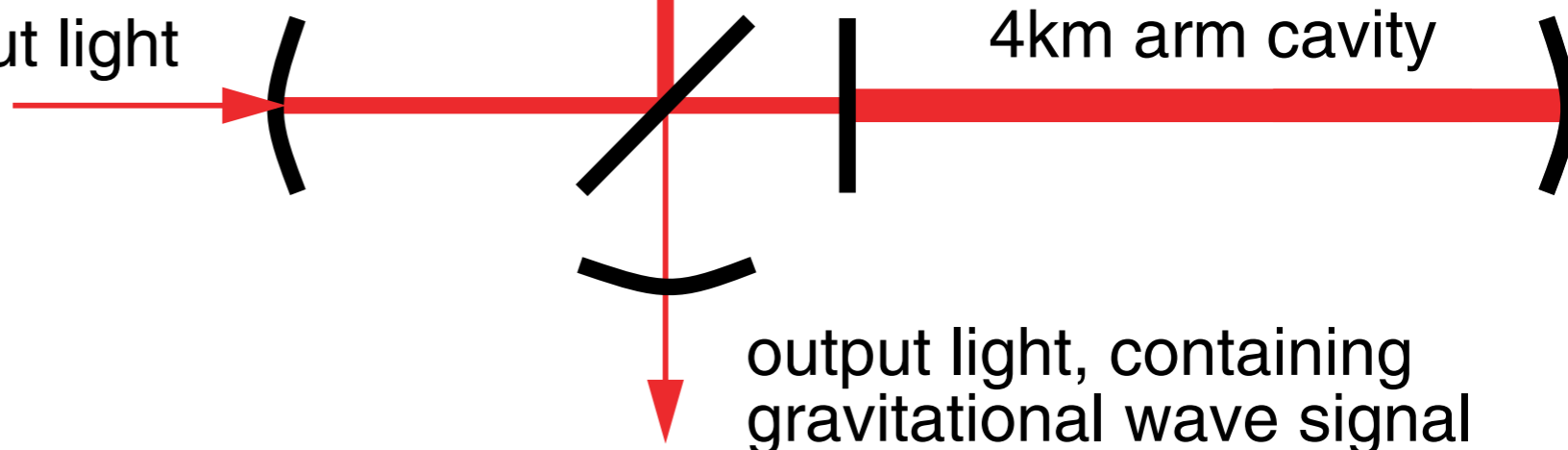


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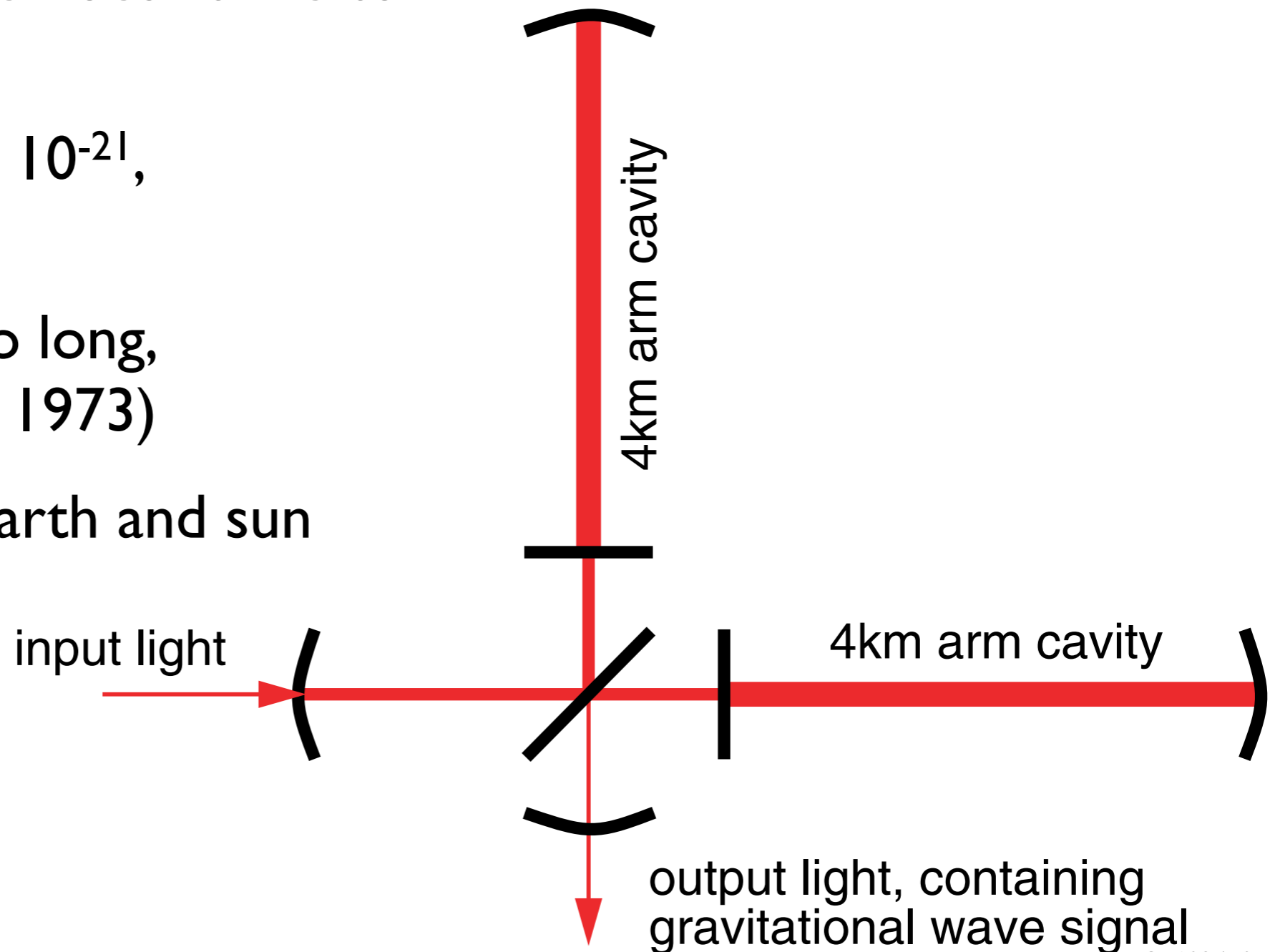
## why it is nearly impossible

Gravitational waves are hard to measure because space doesn't like to stretch.

Our signal strain ( $h$ ) =  $10^{-21}$ ,  
 $dL = 4 \times 10^{-18}$  meters

(that's why it's taken so long,  
 Einstein 1916, Weiss 1973)

1 atom between the earth and sun









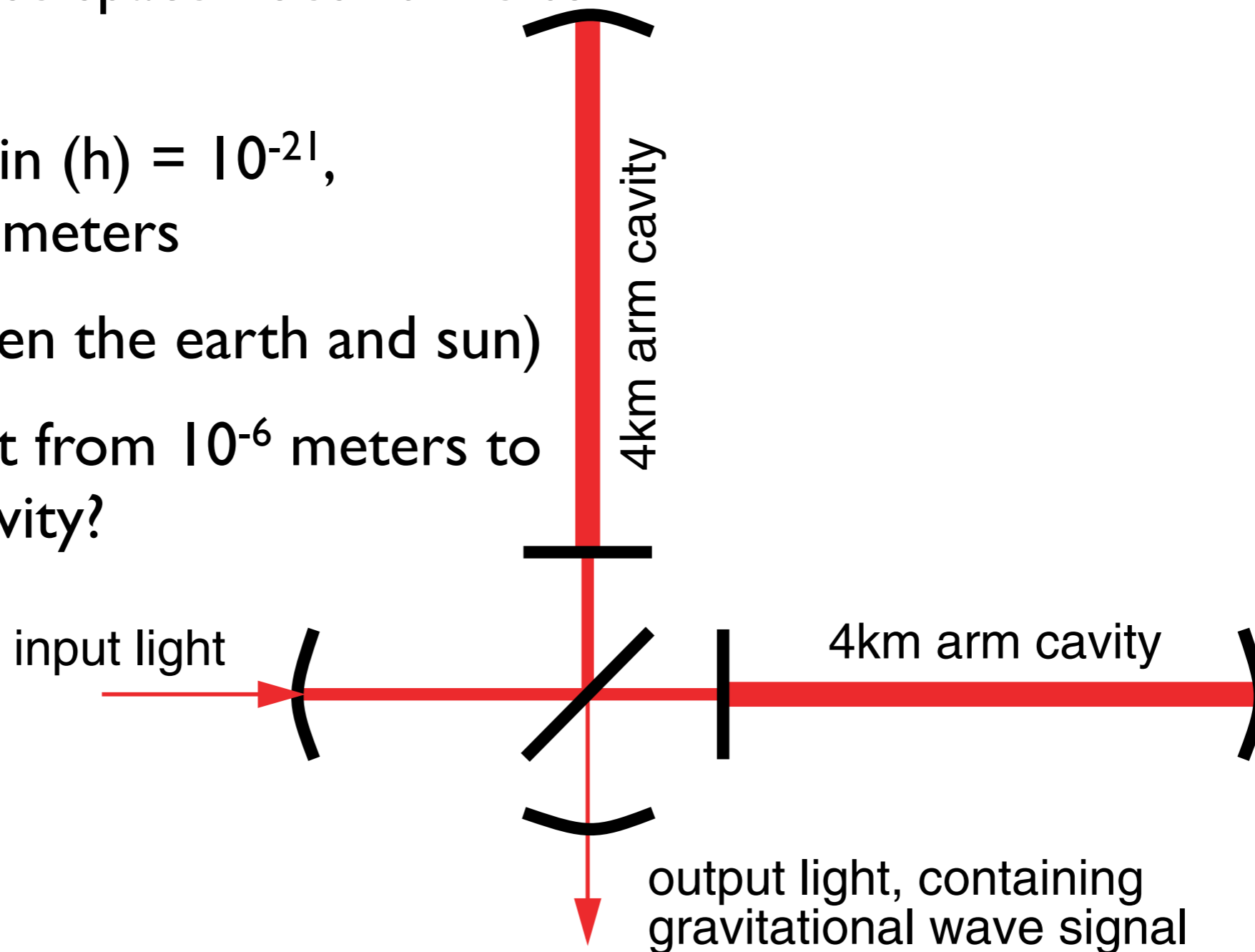
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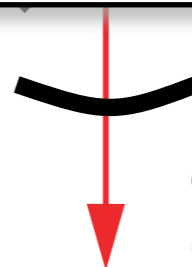
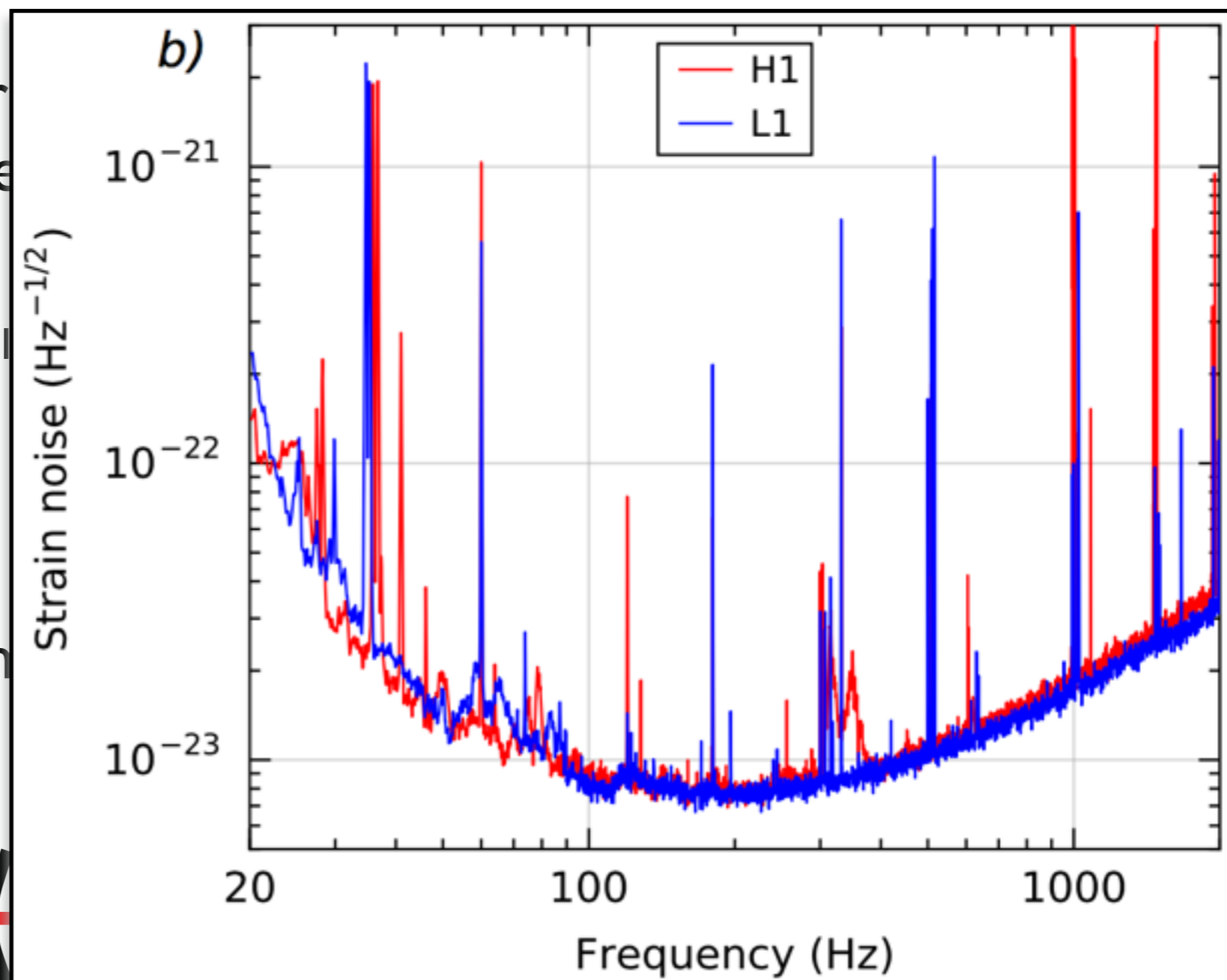
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 LIGO sensitivity?

input light



output light, containing gravitational wave signal

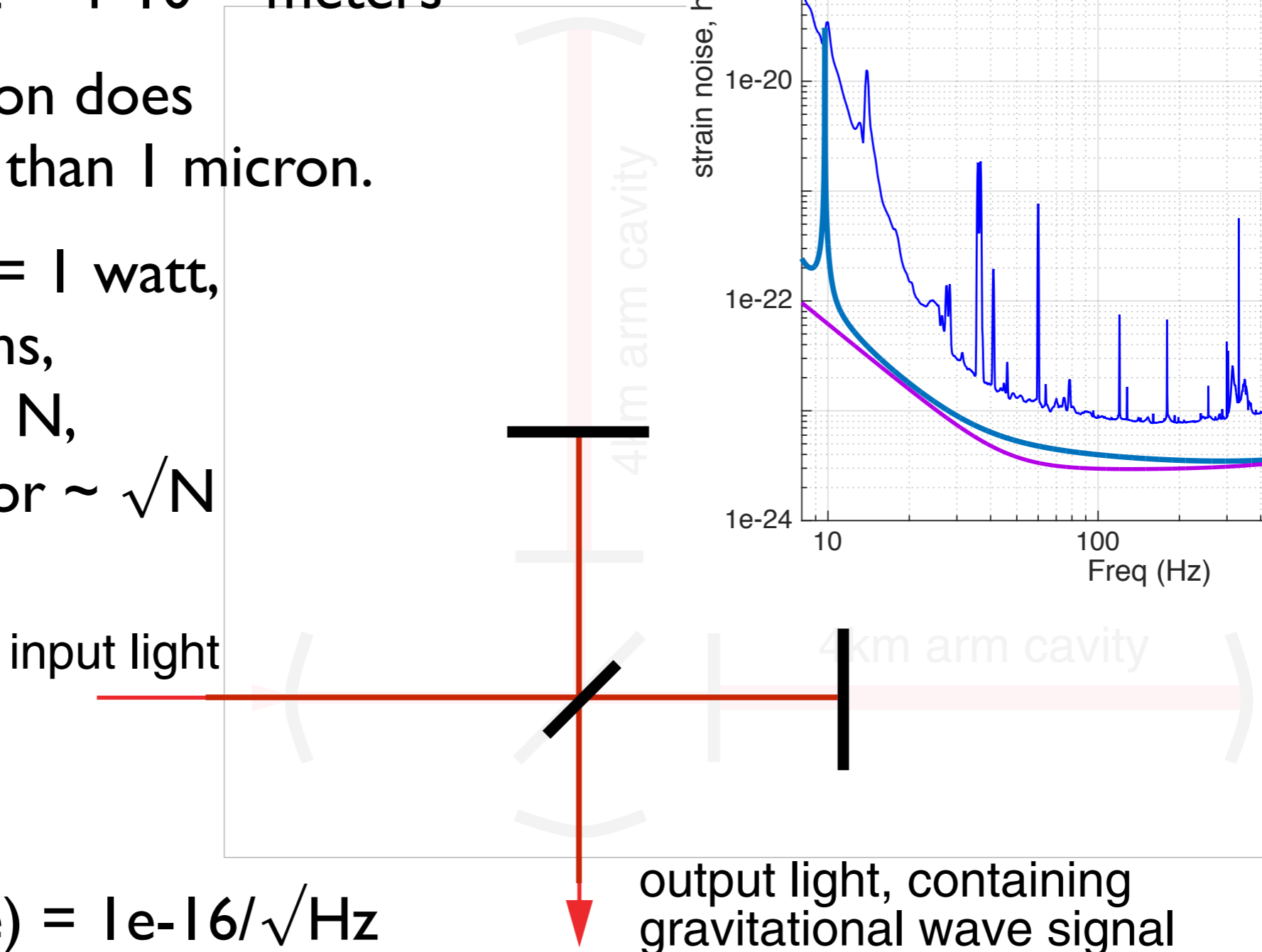


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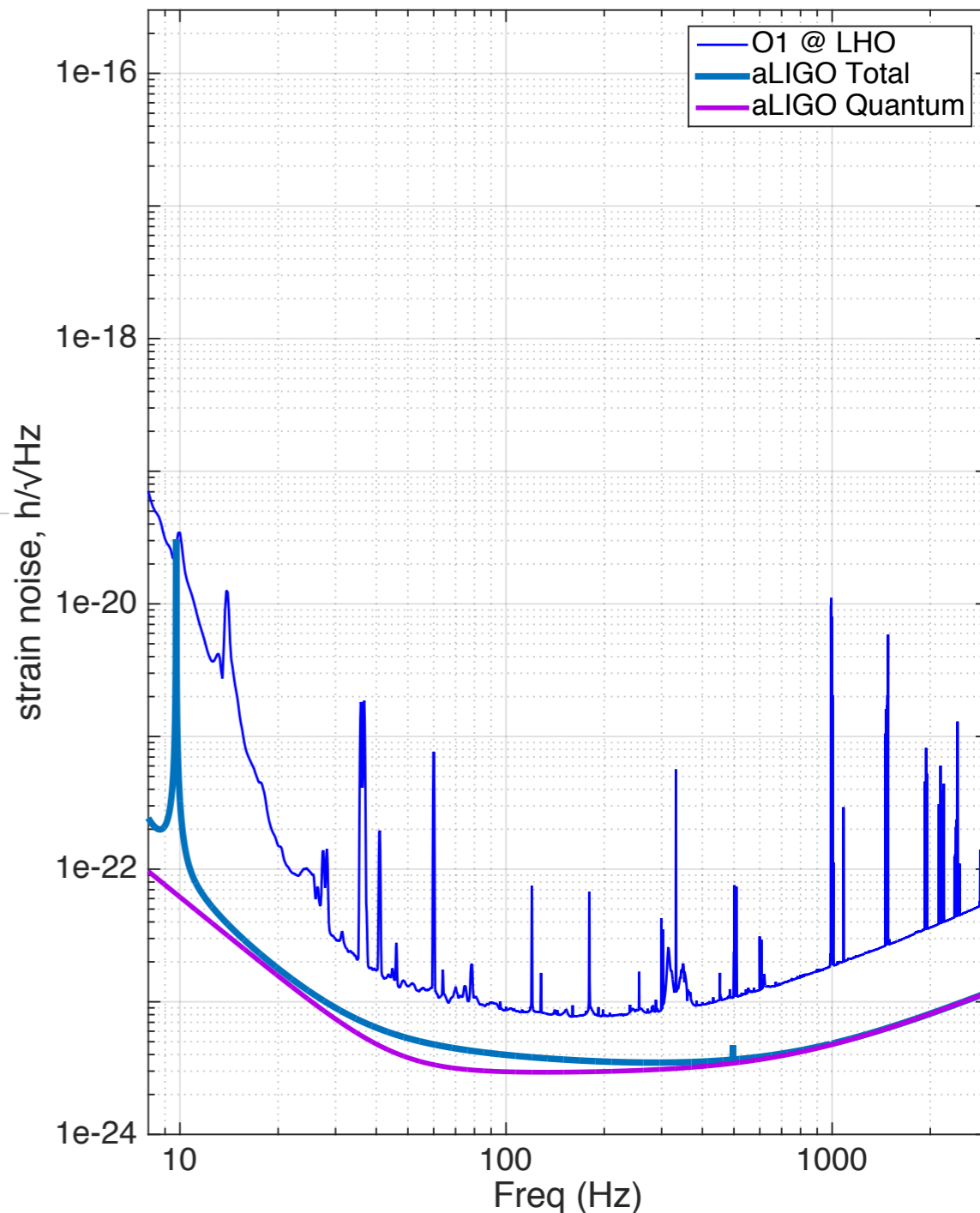
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aLIGO noise curves



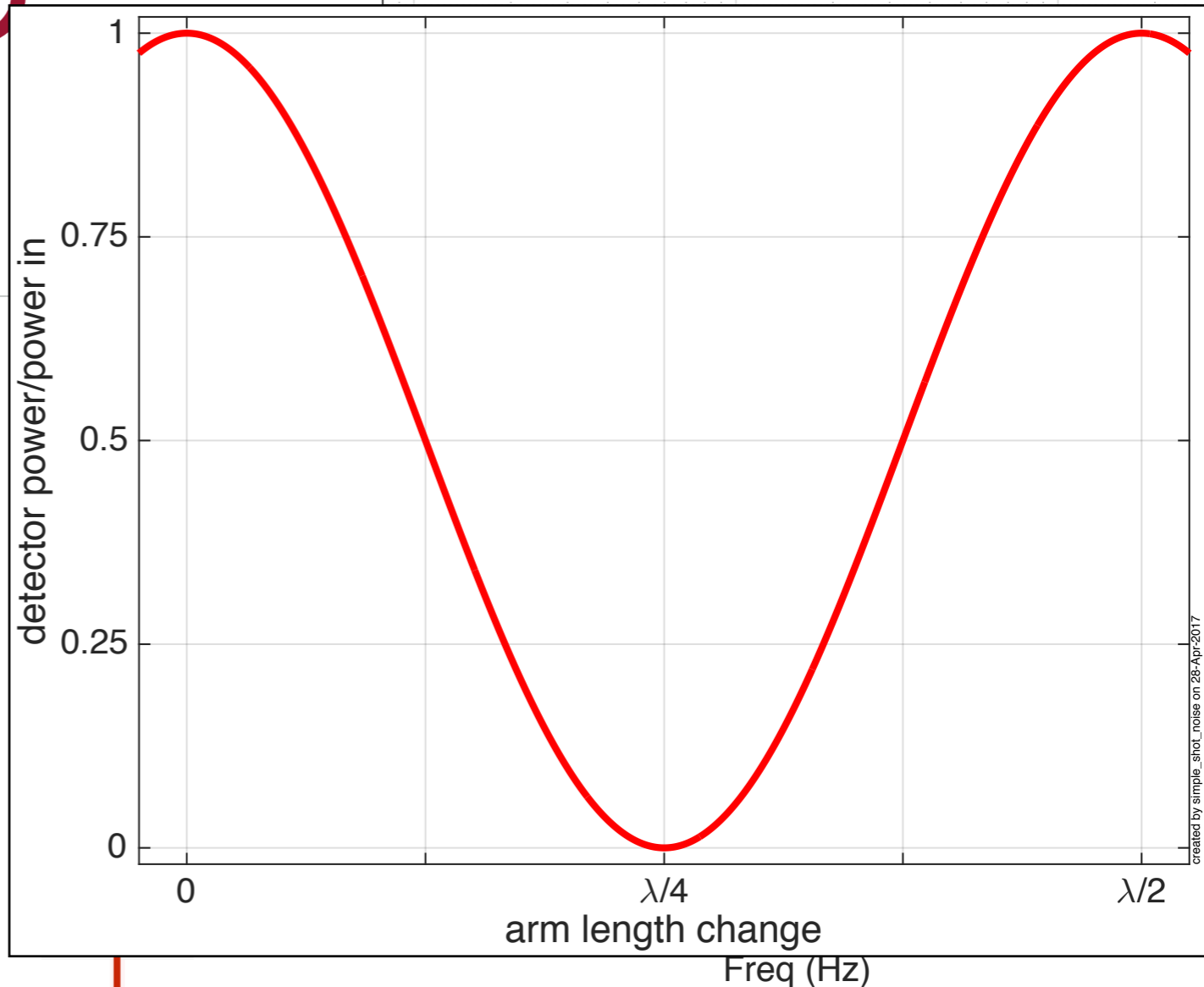
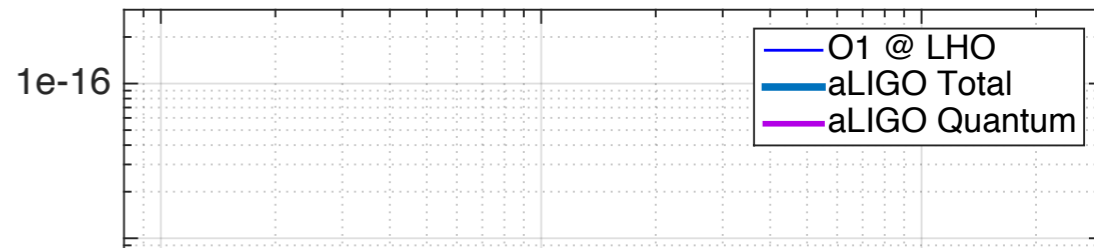


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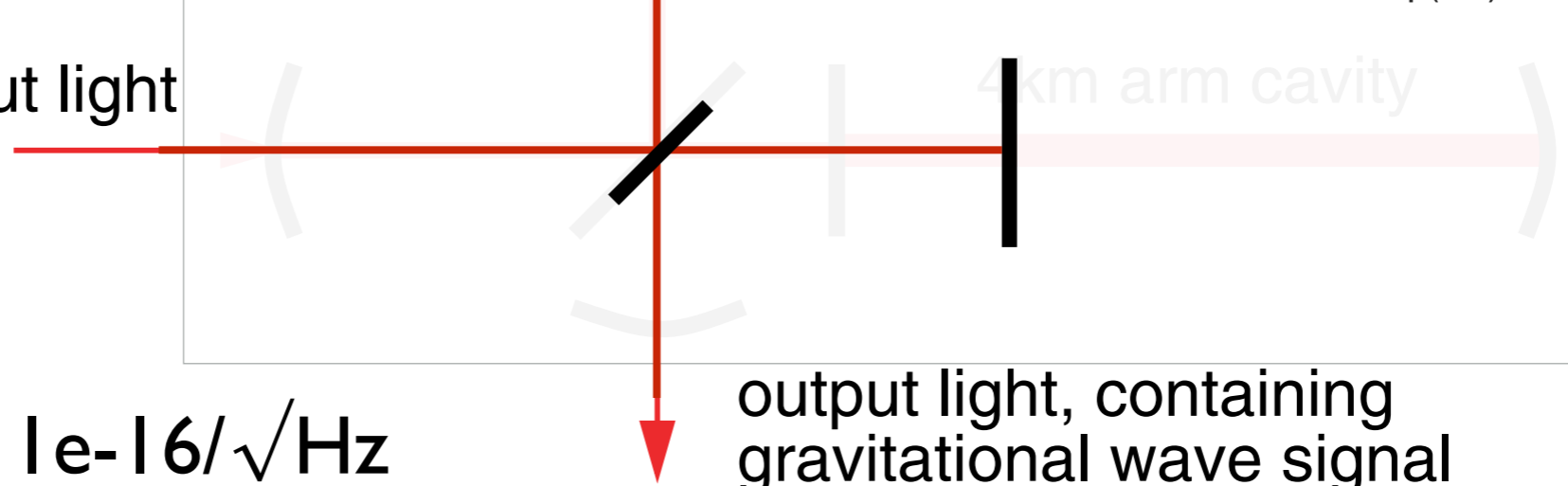
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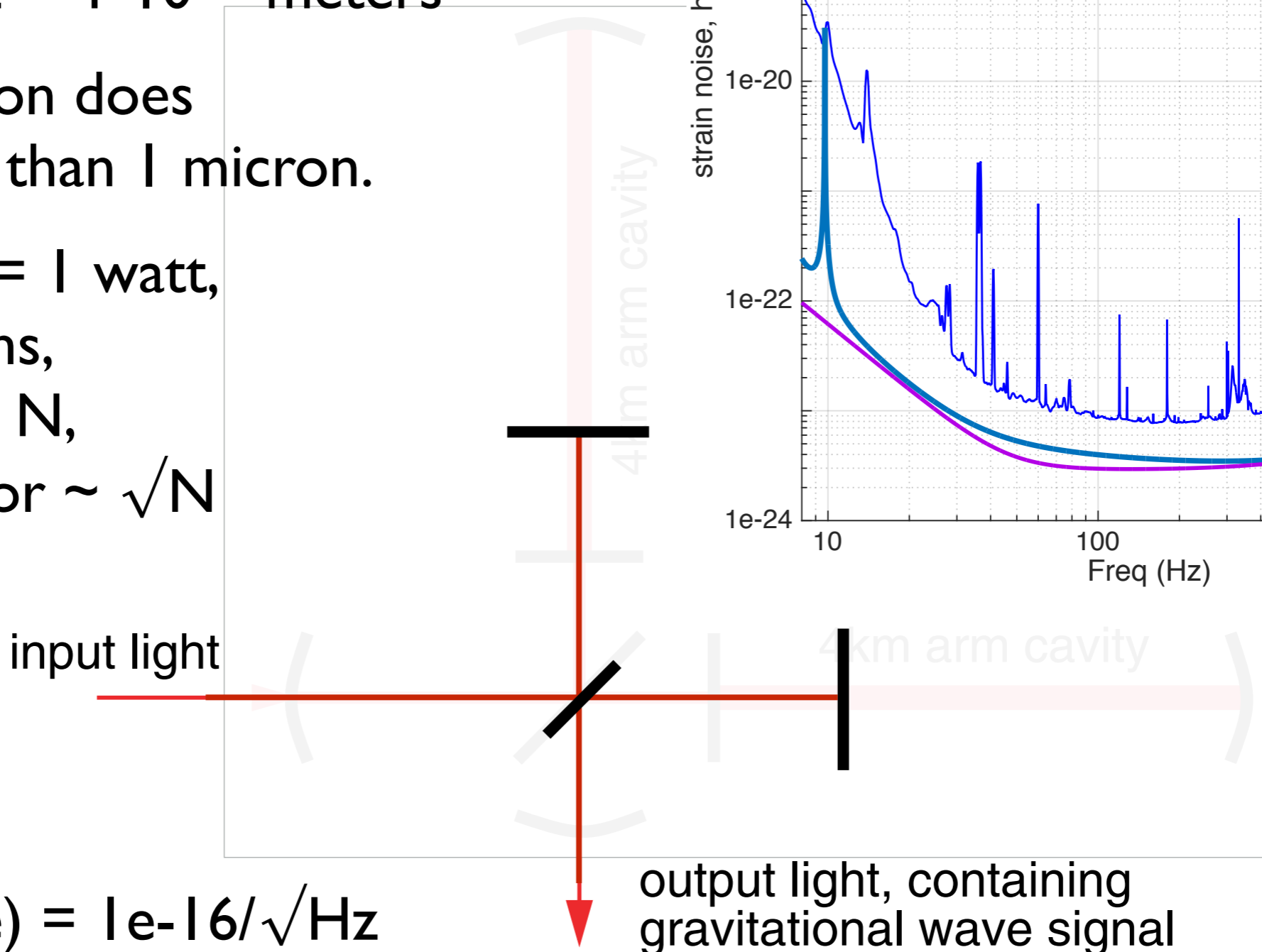


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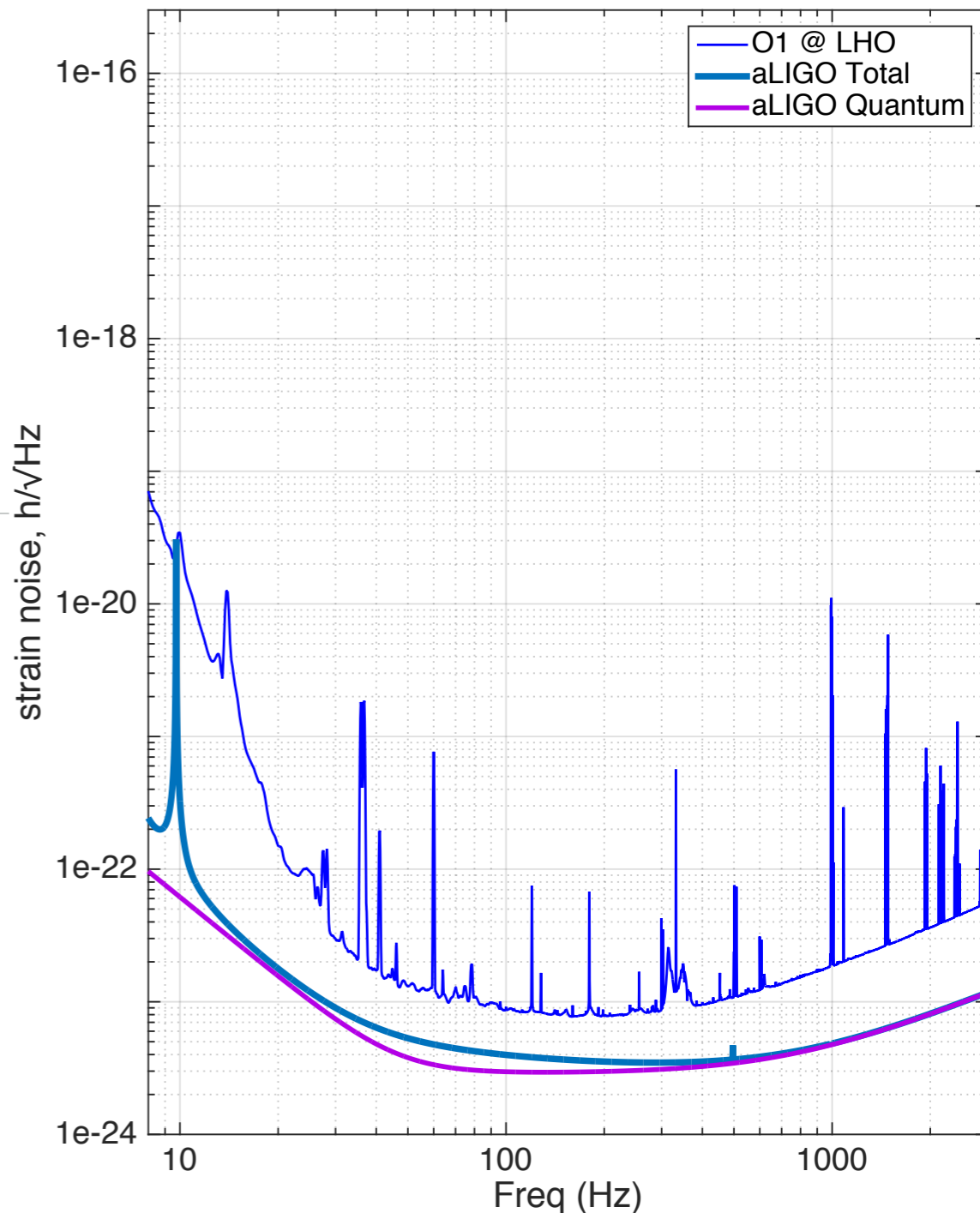
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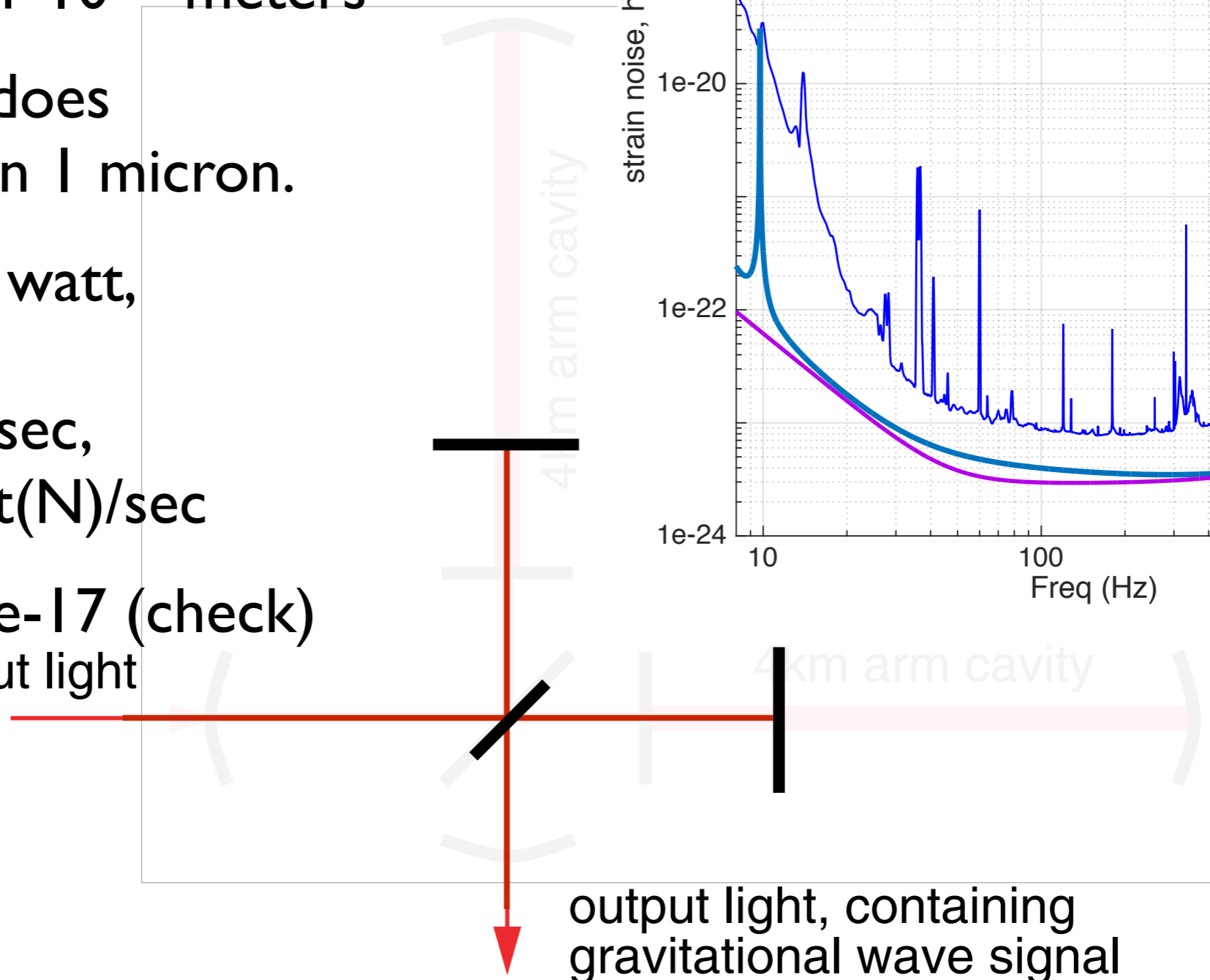
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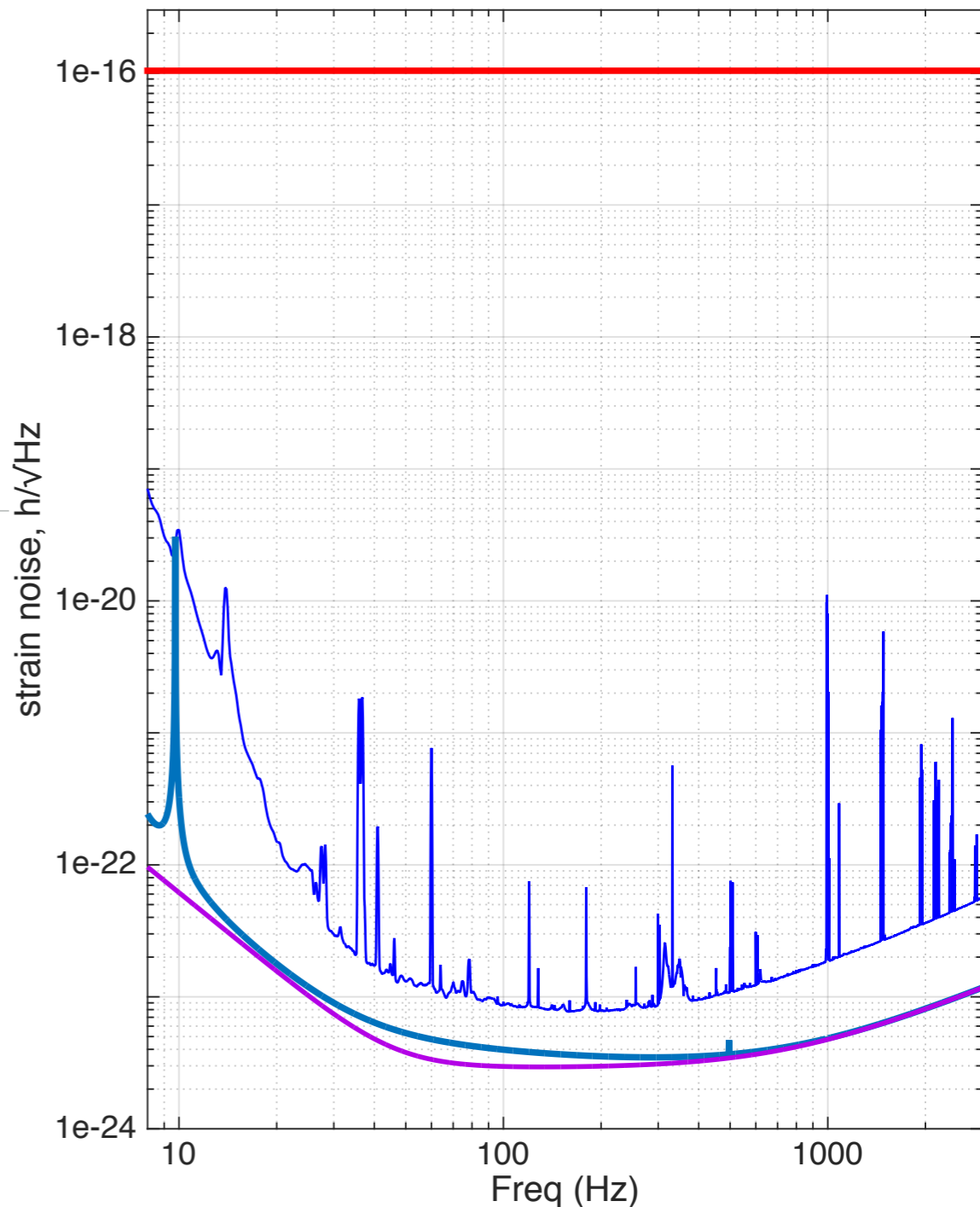
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$dL = h(\text{noise}) = 5e-17$  (check) input light



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output light, containing gravitational wave signal

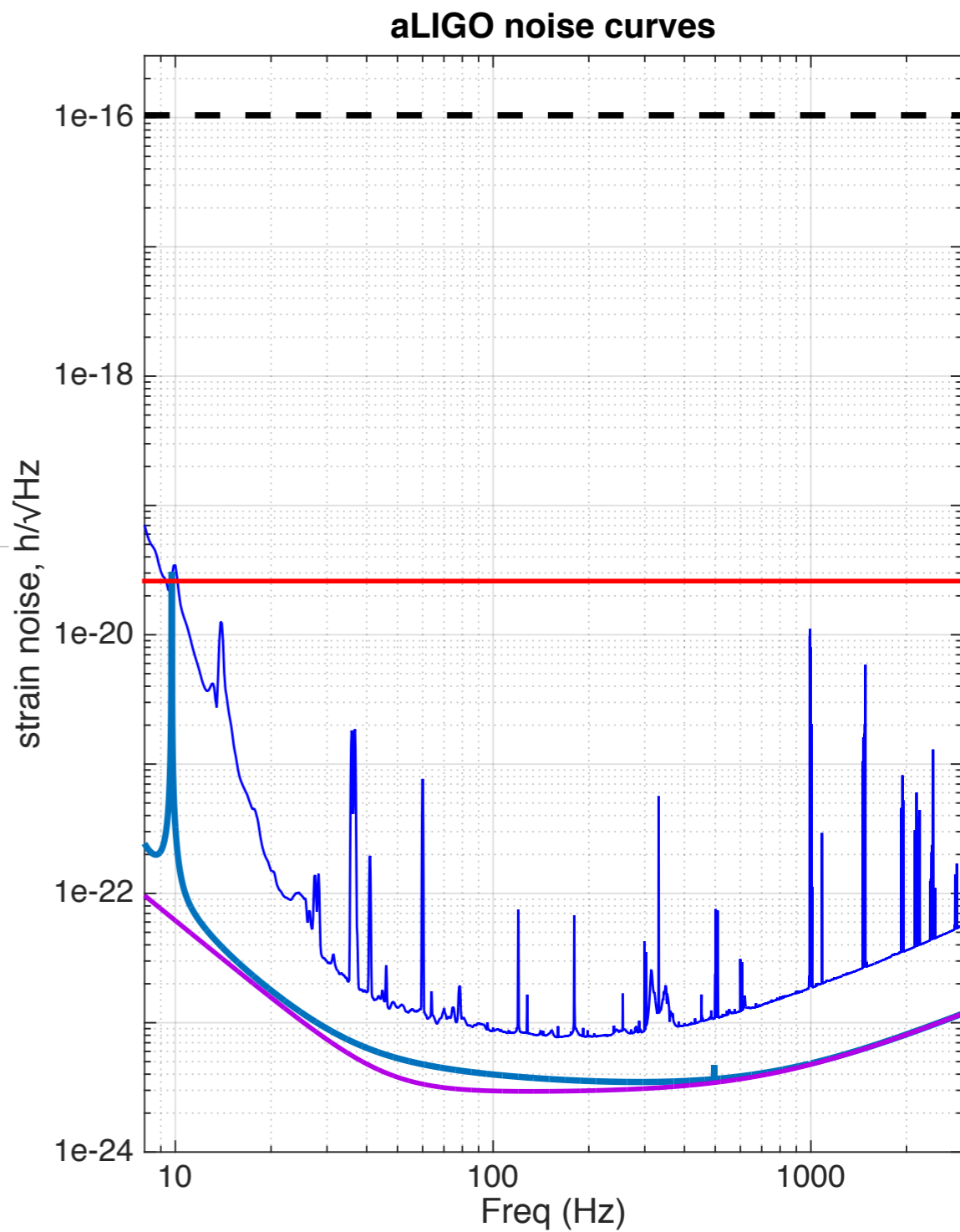
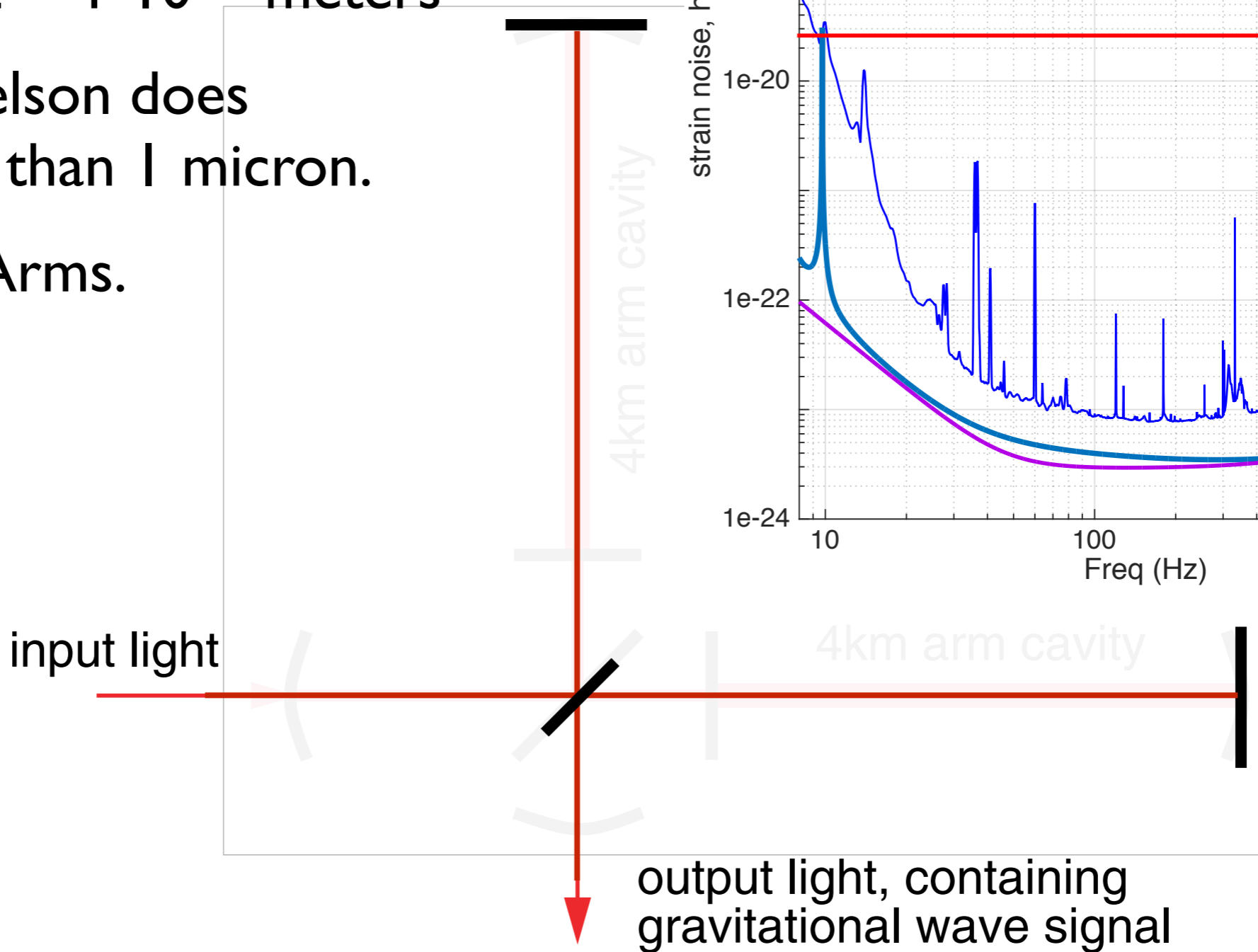




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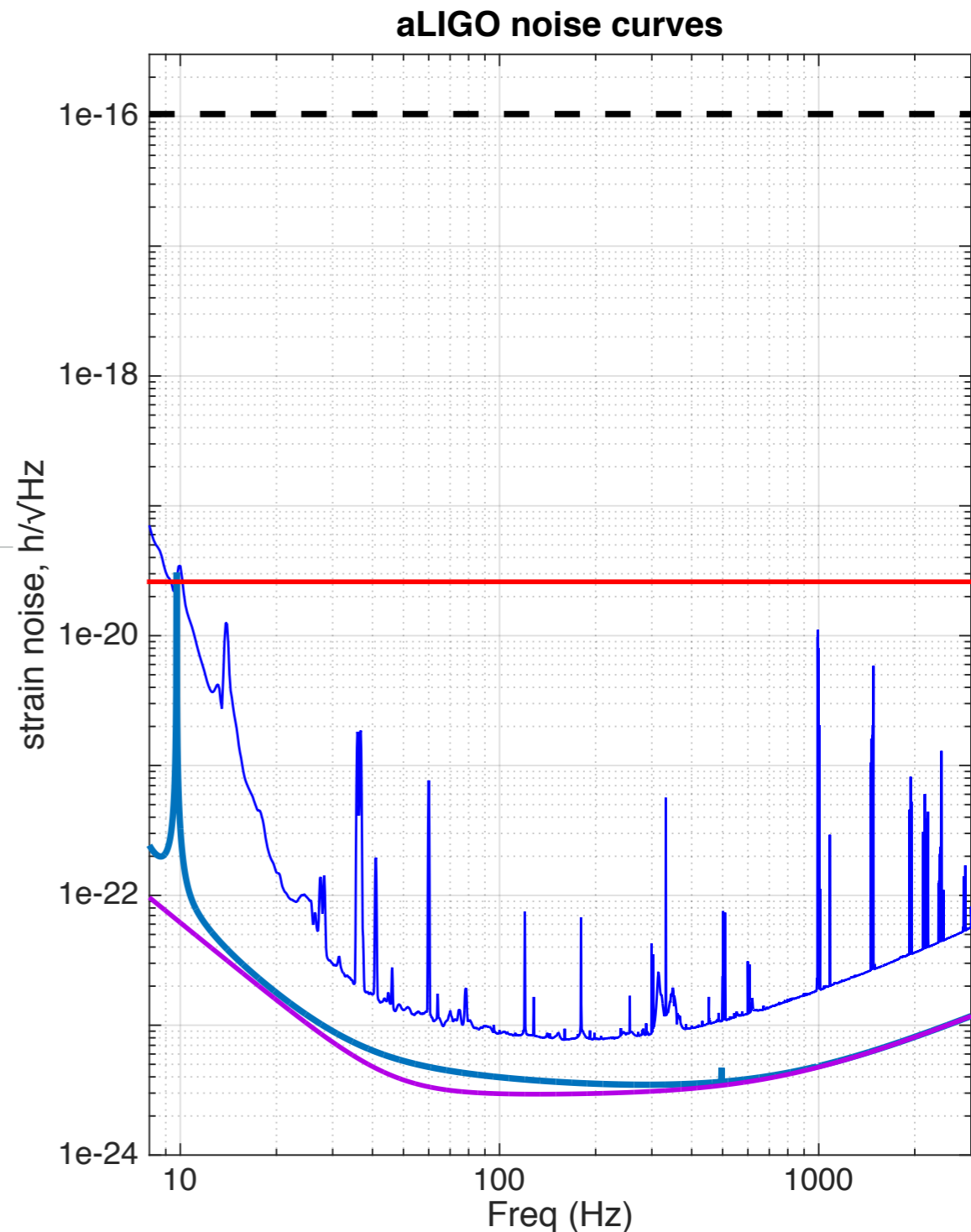
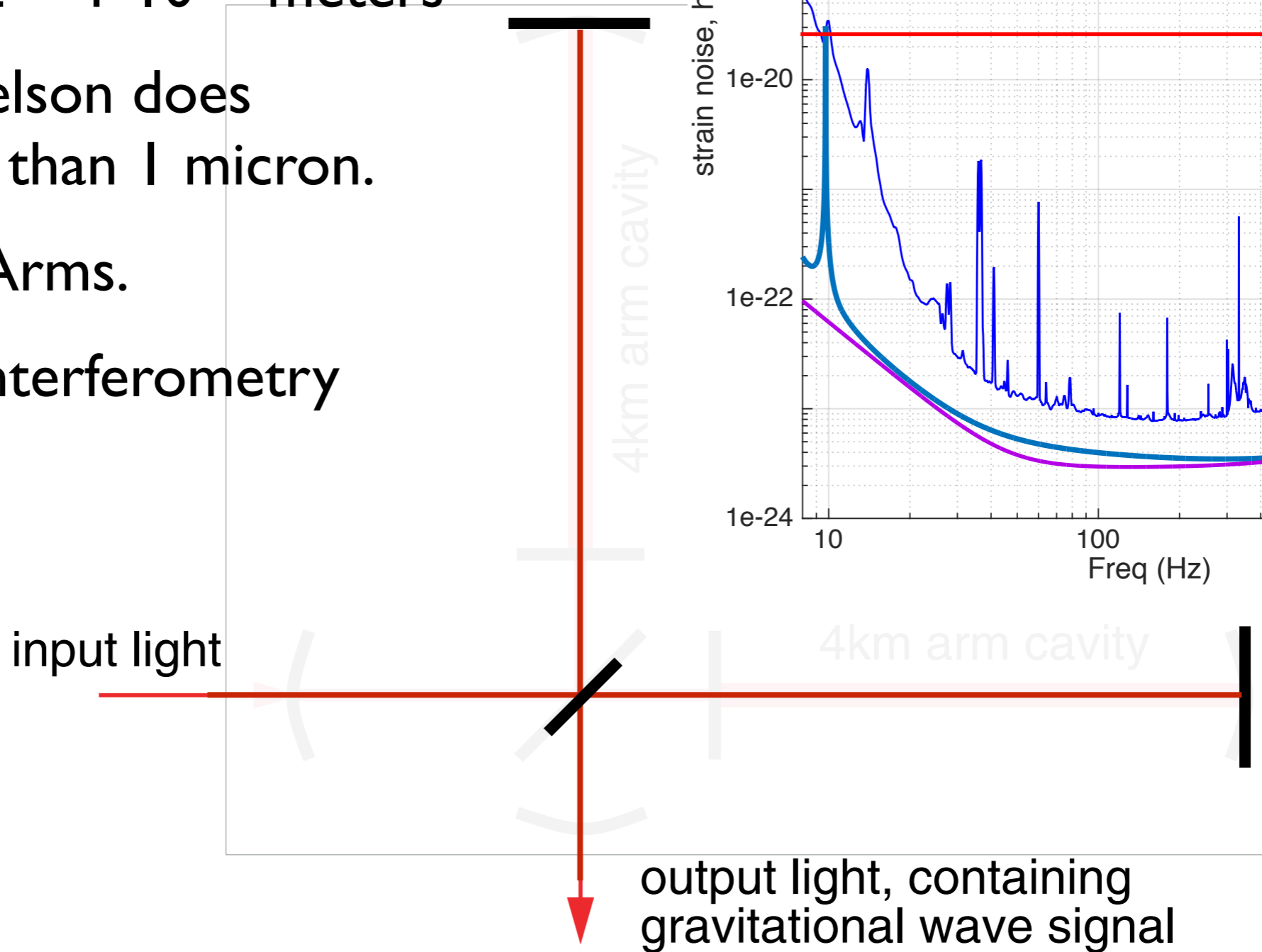




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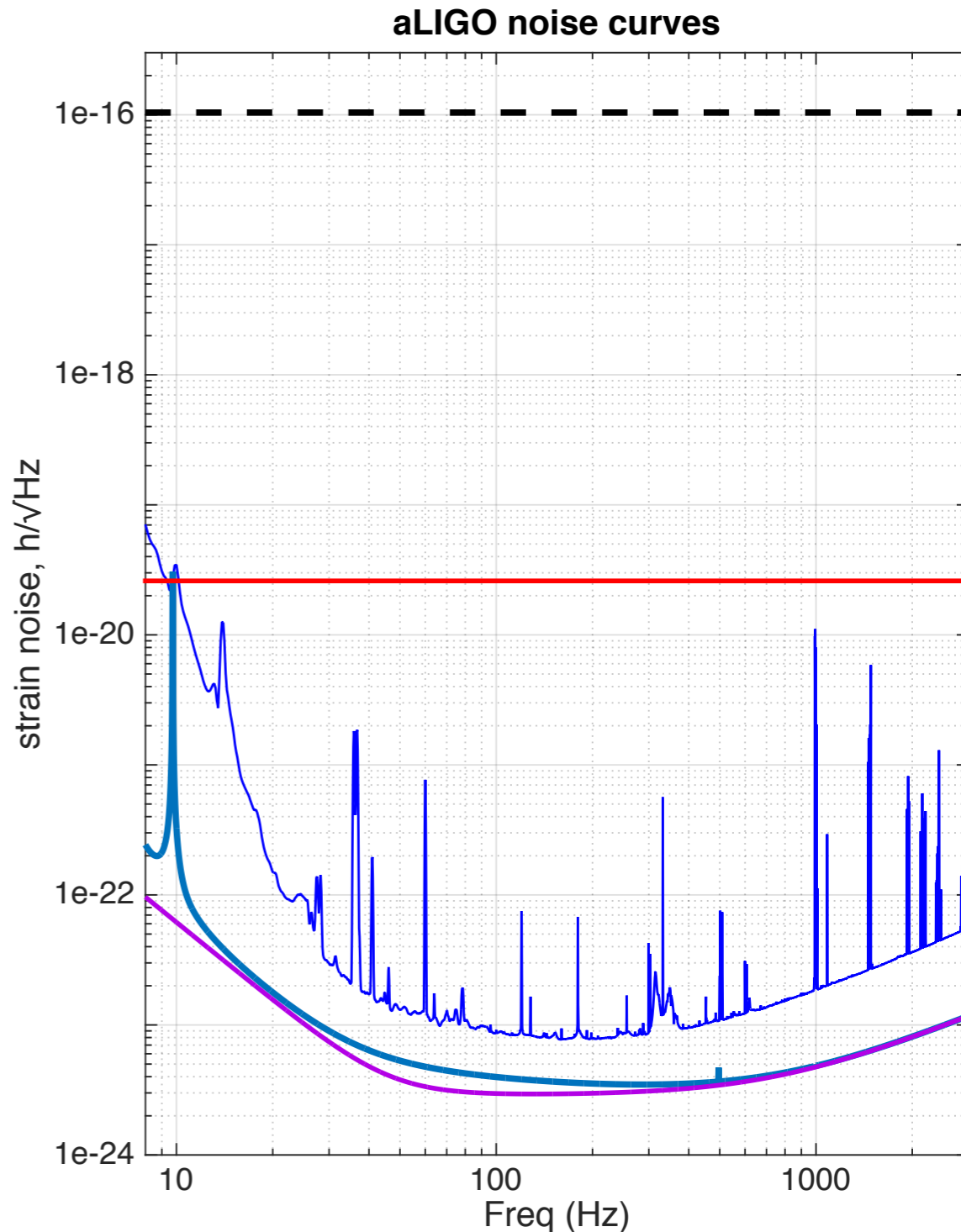
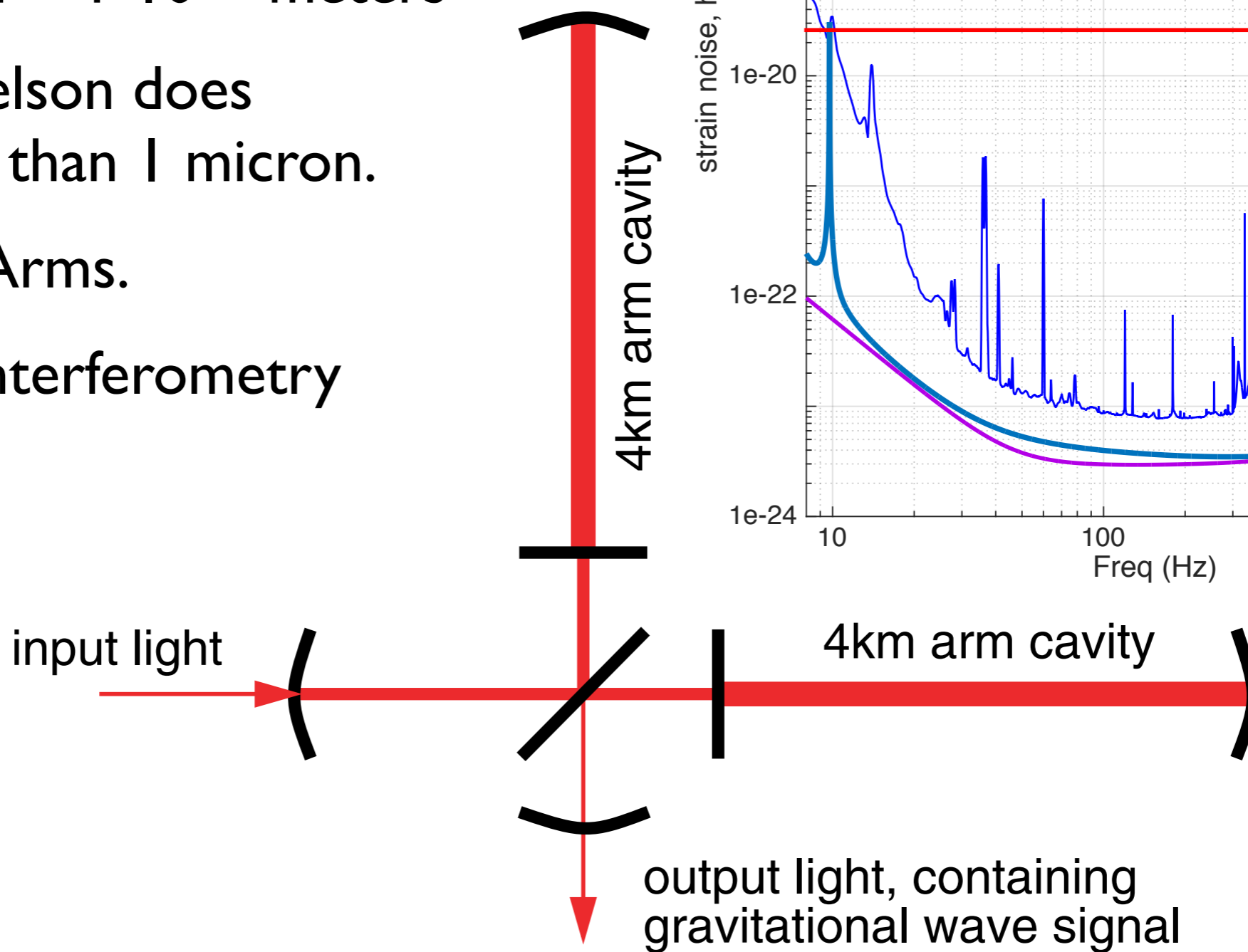




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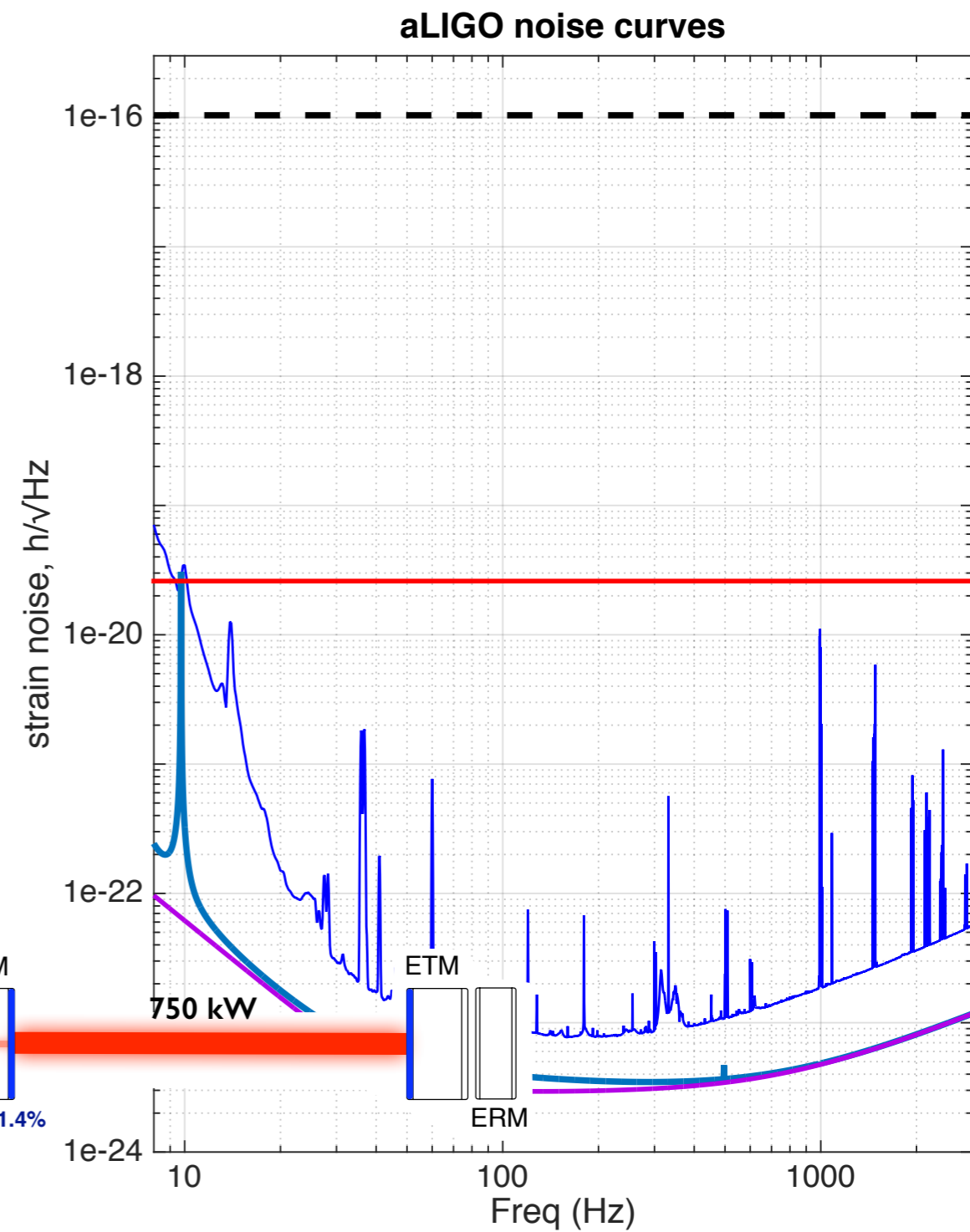
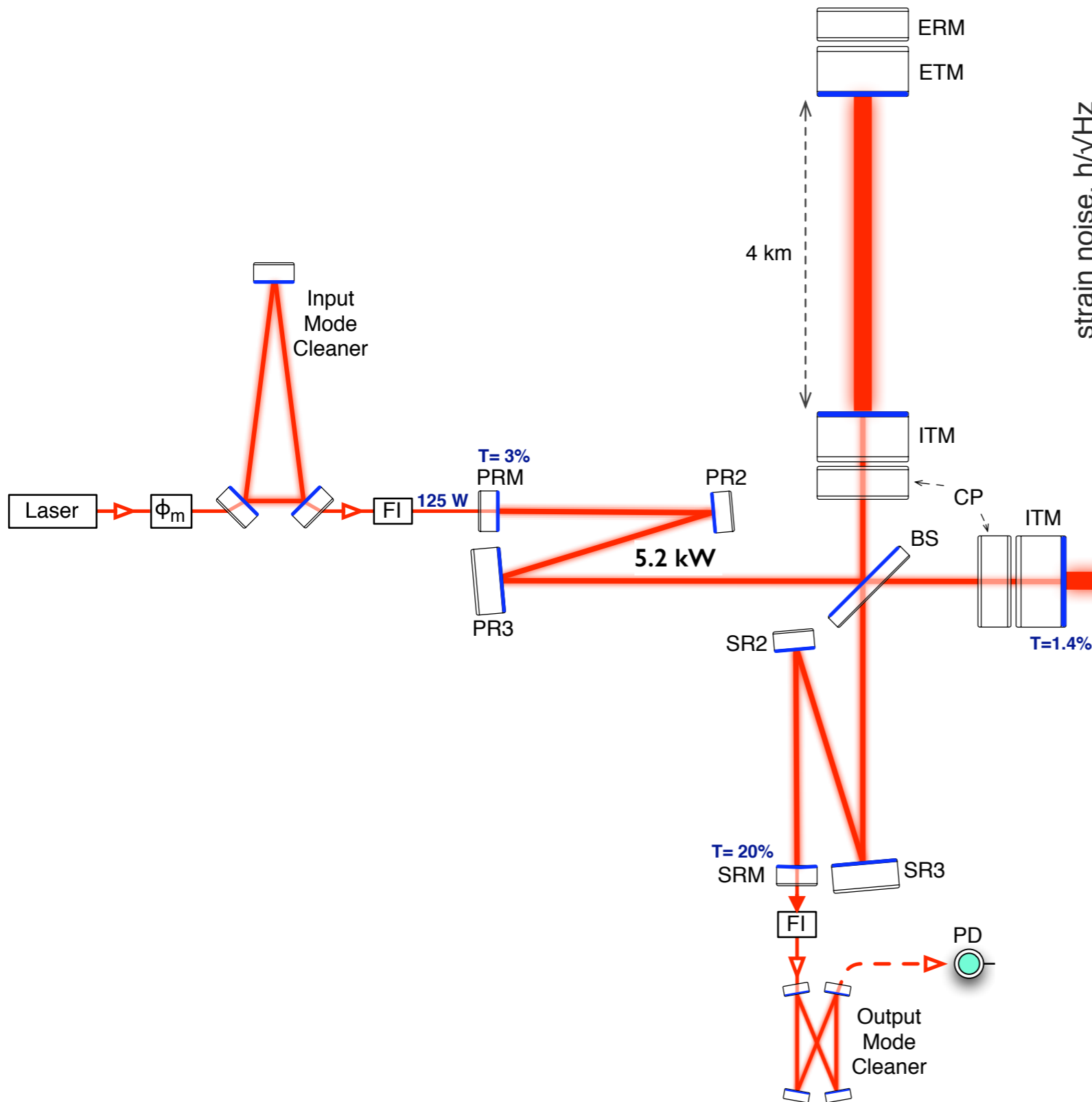
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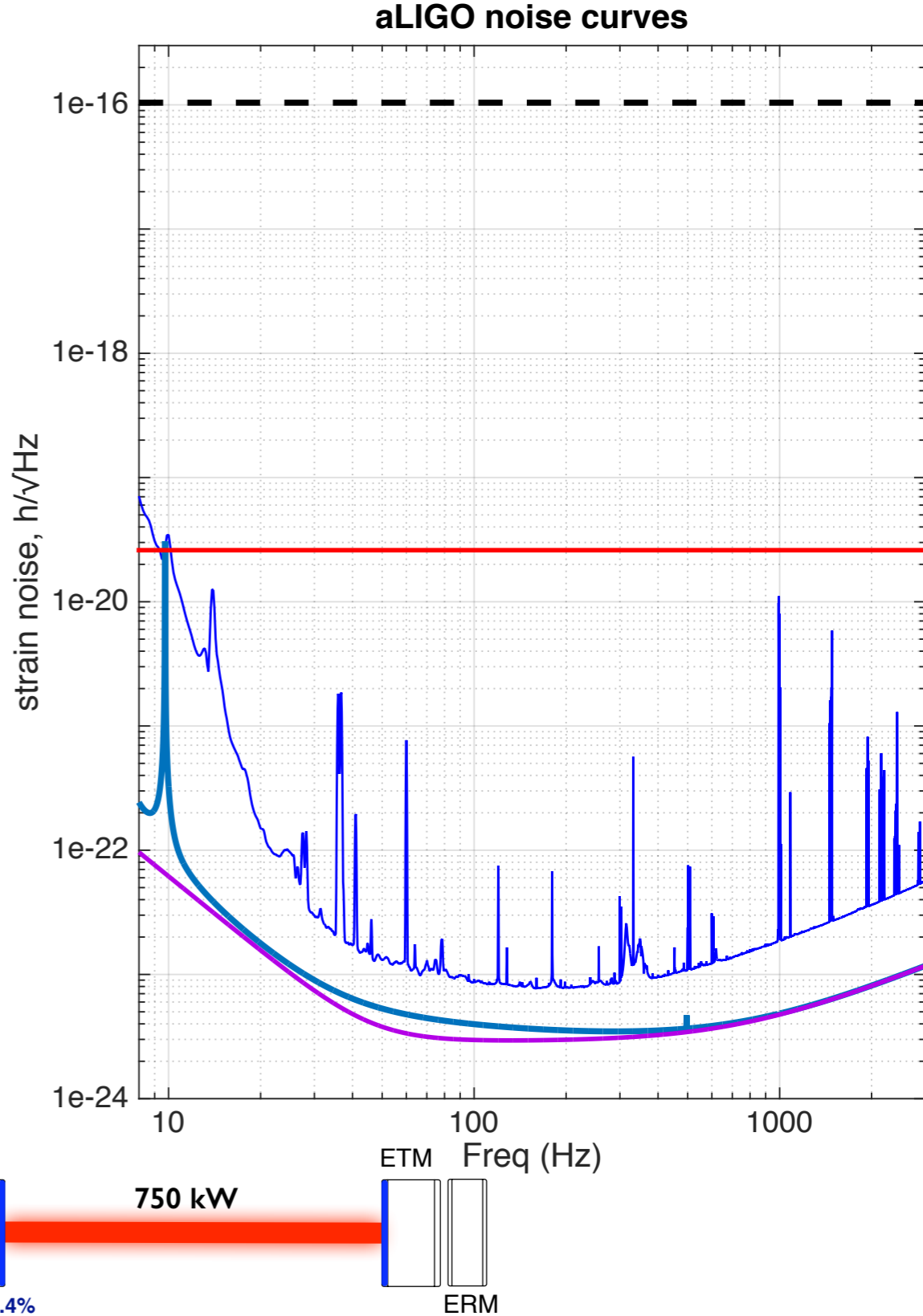
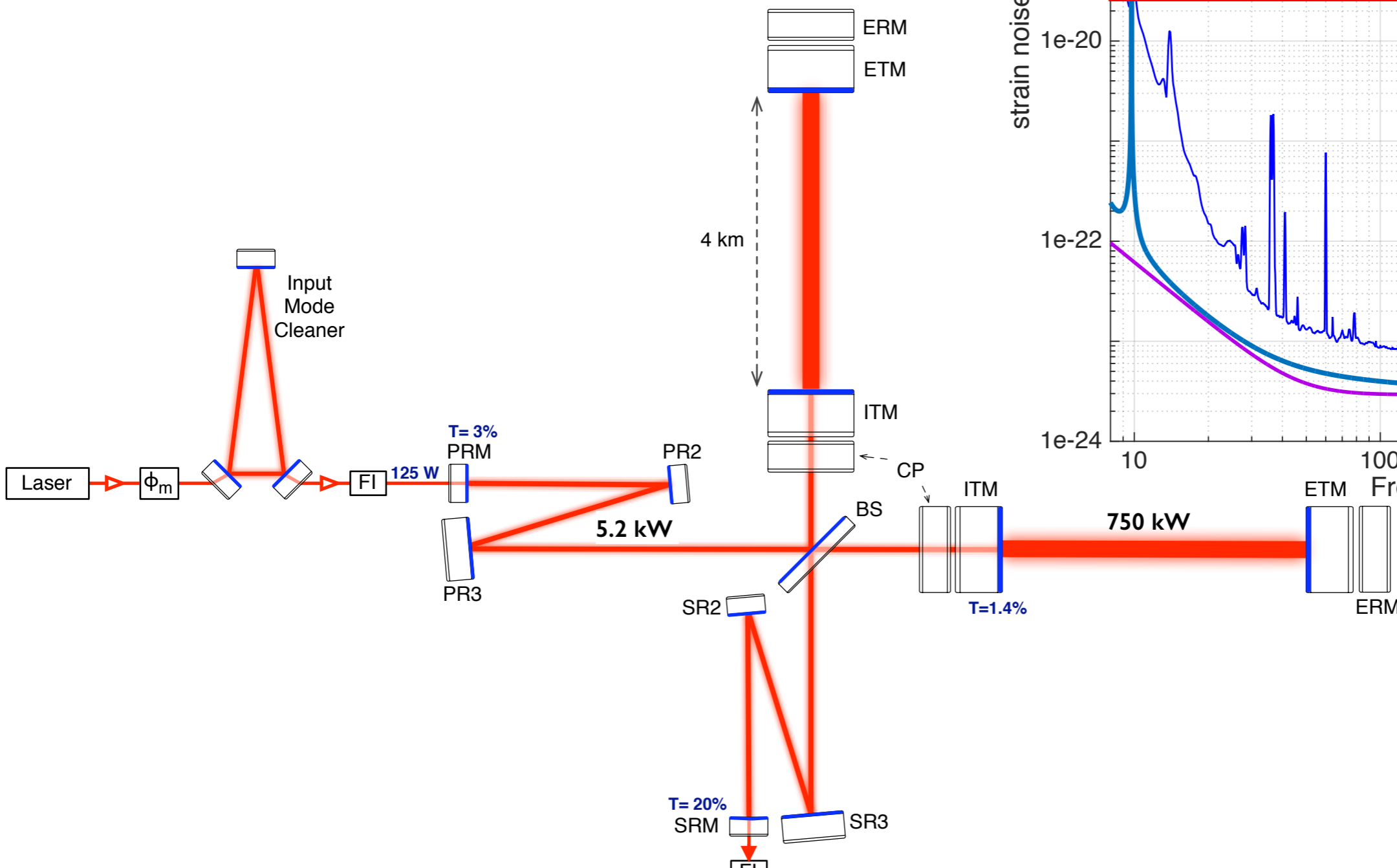


# From 1 micron to aLIGO





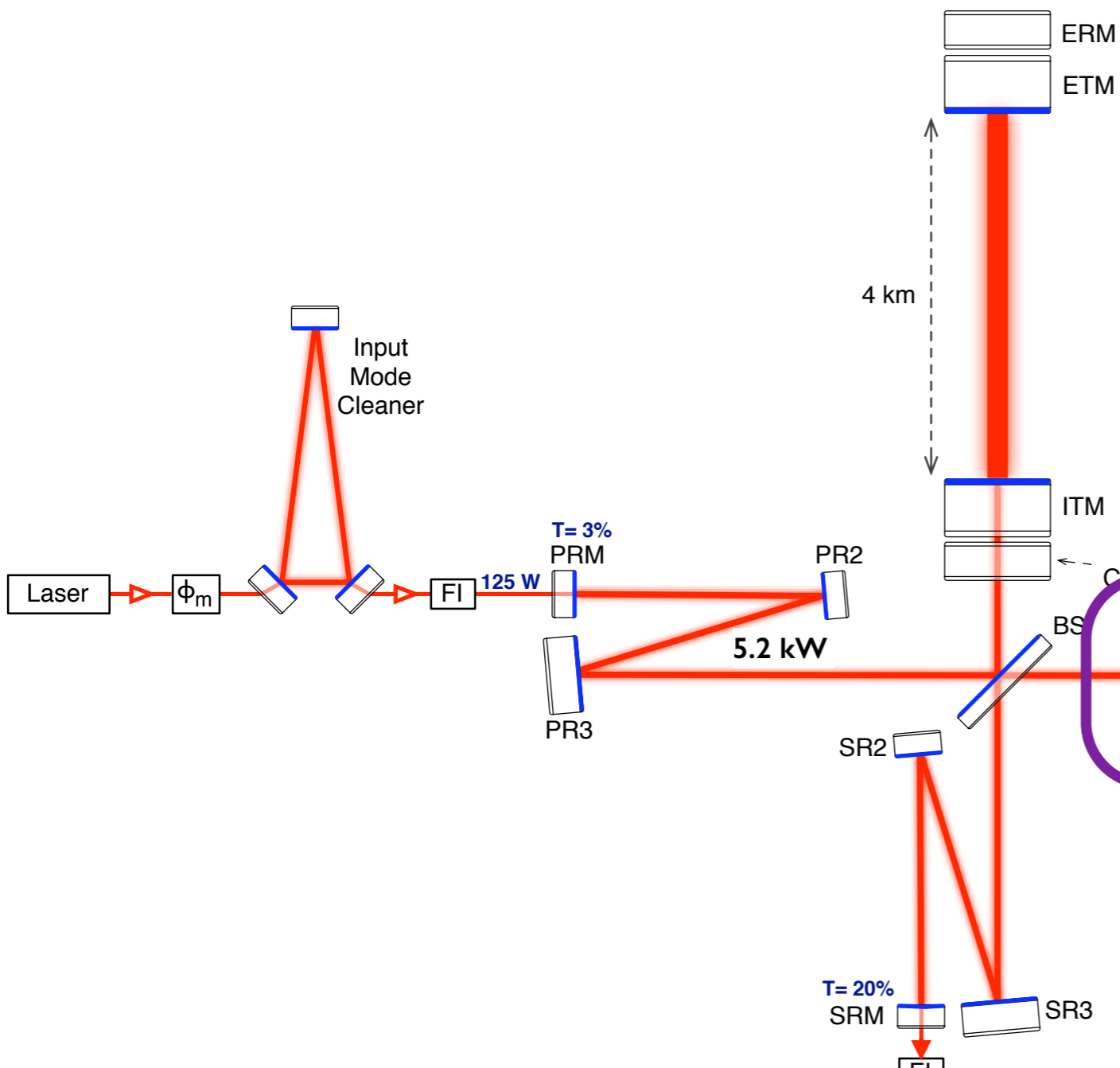
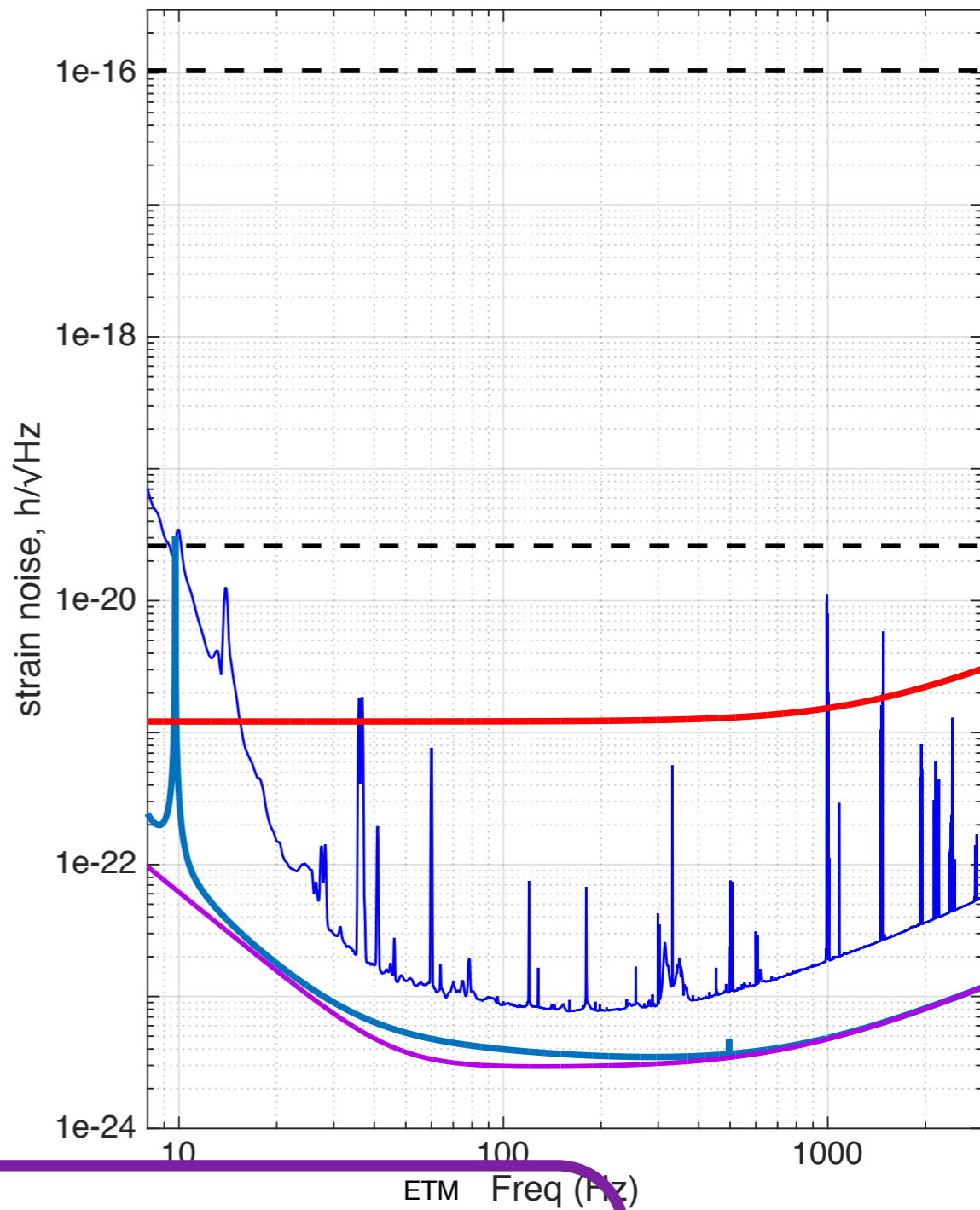
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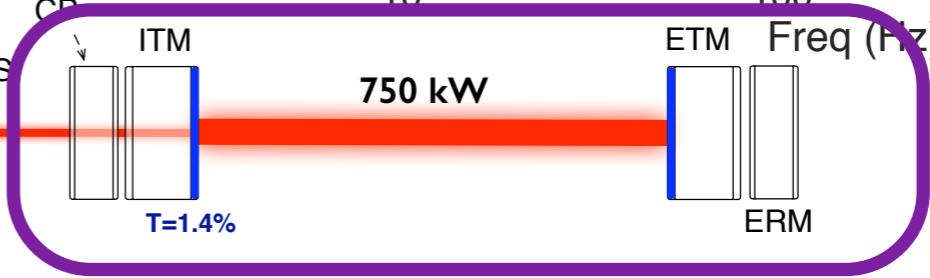
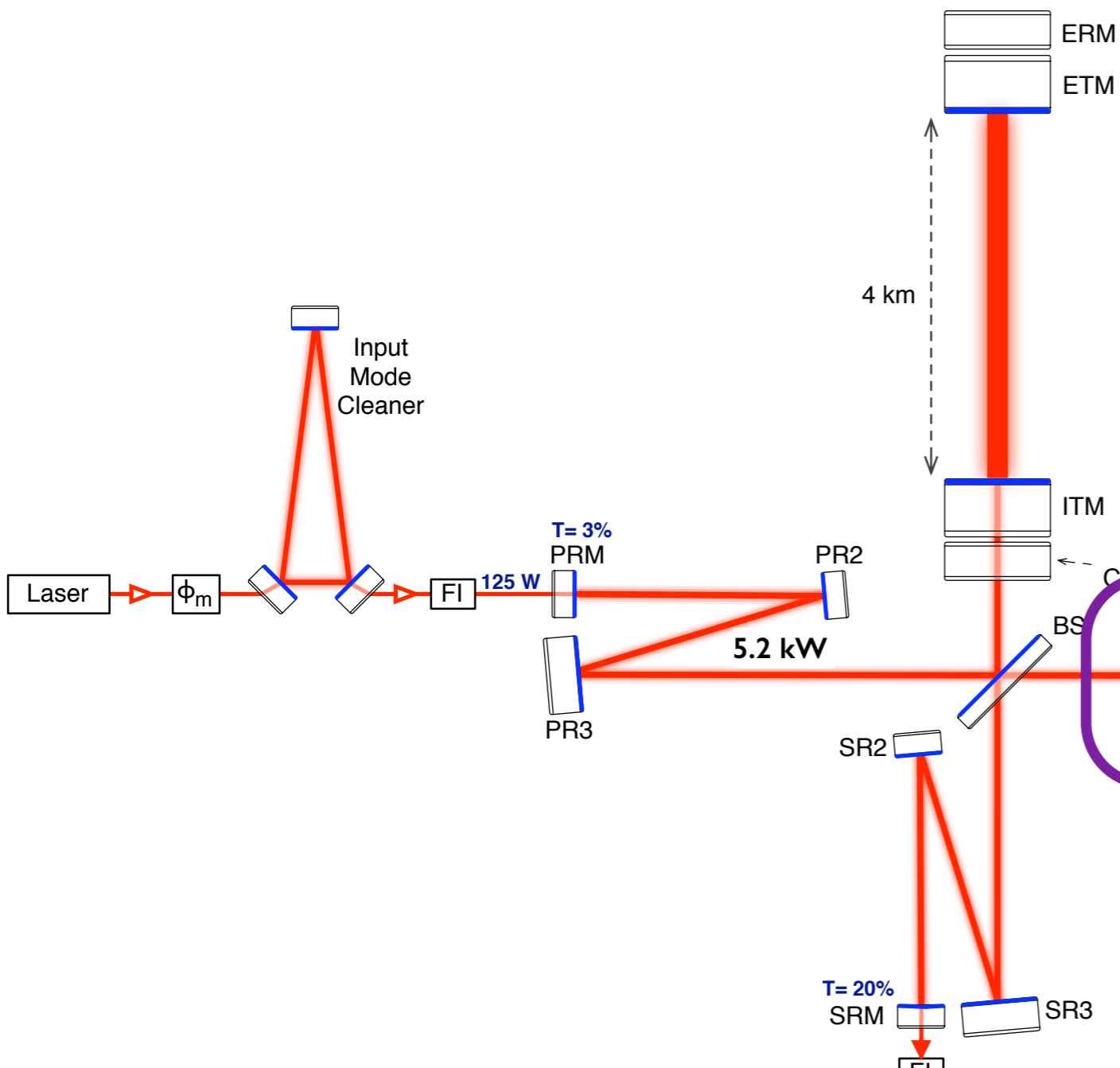
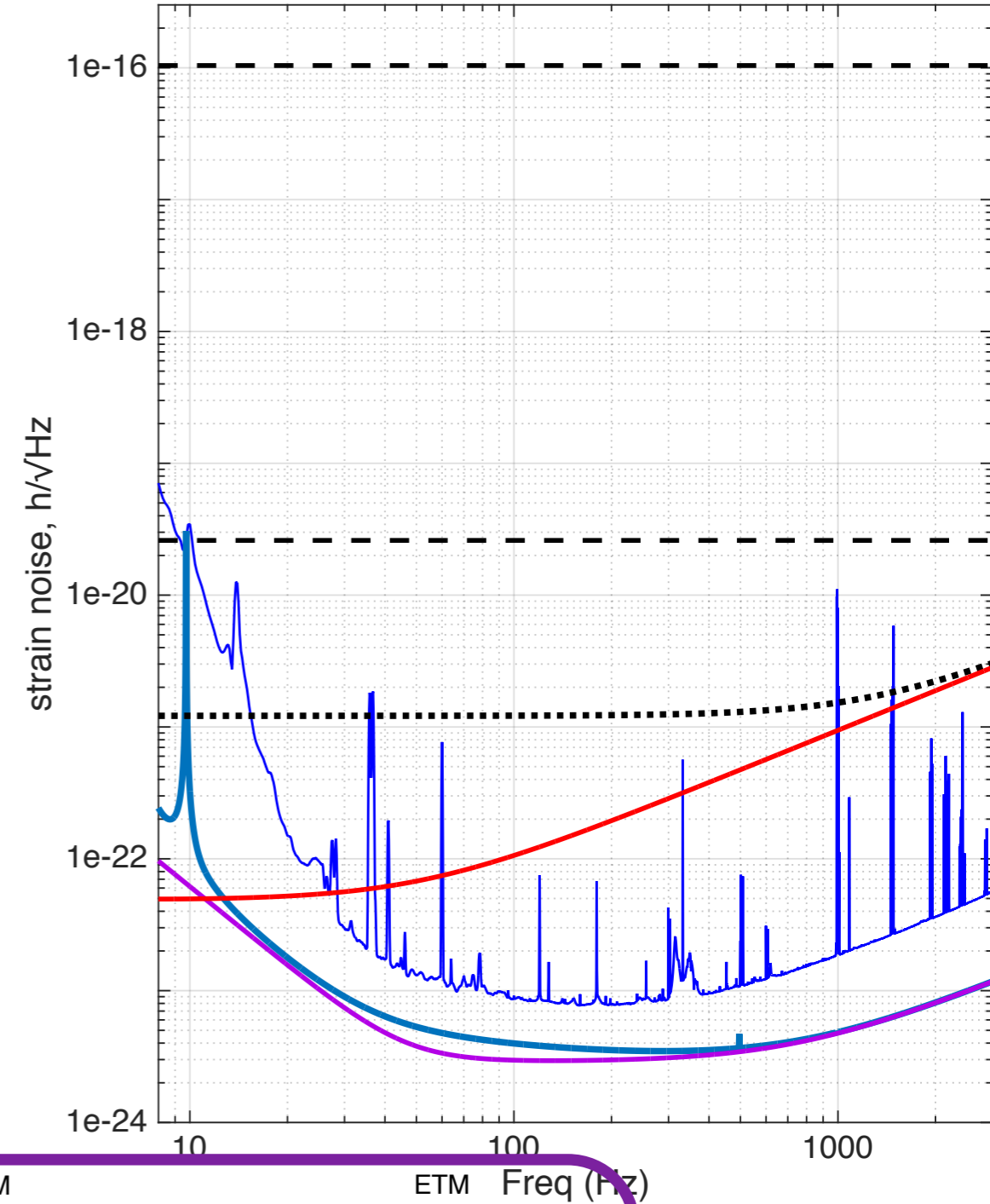
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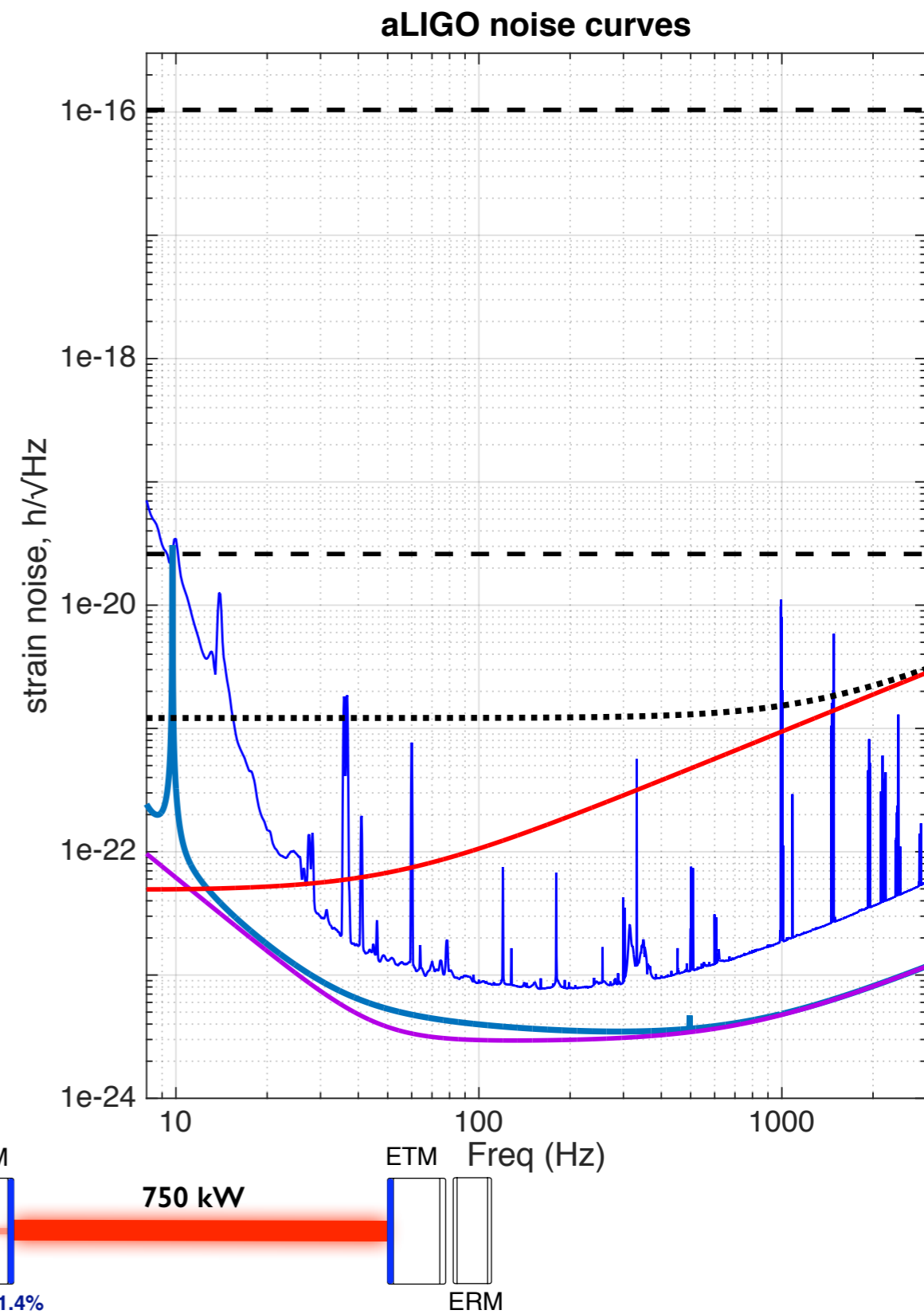
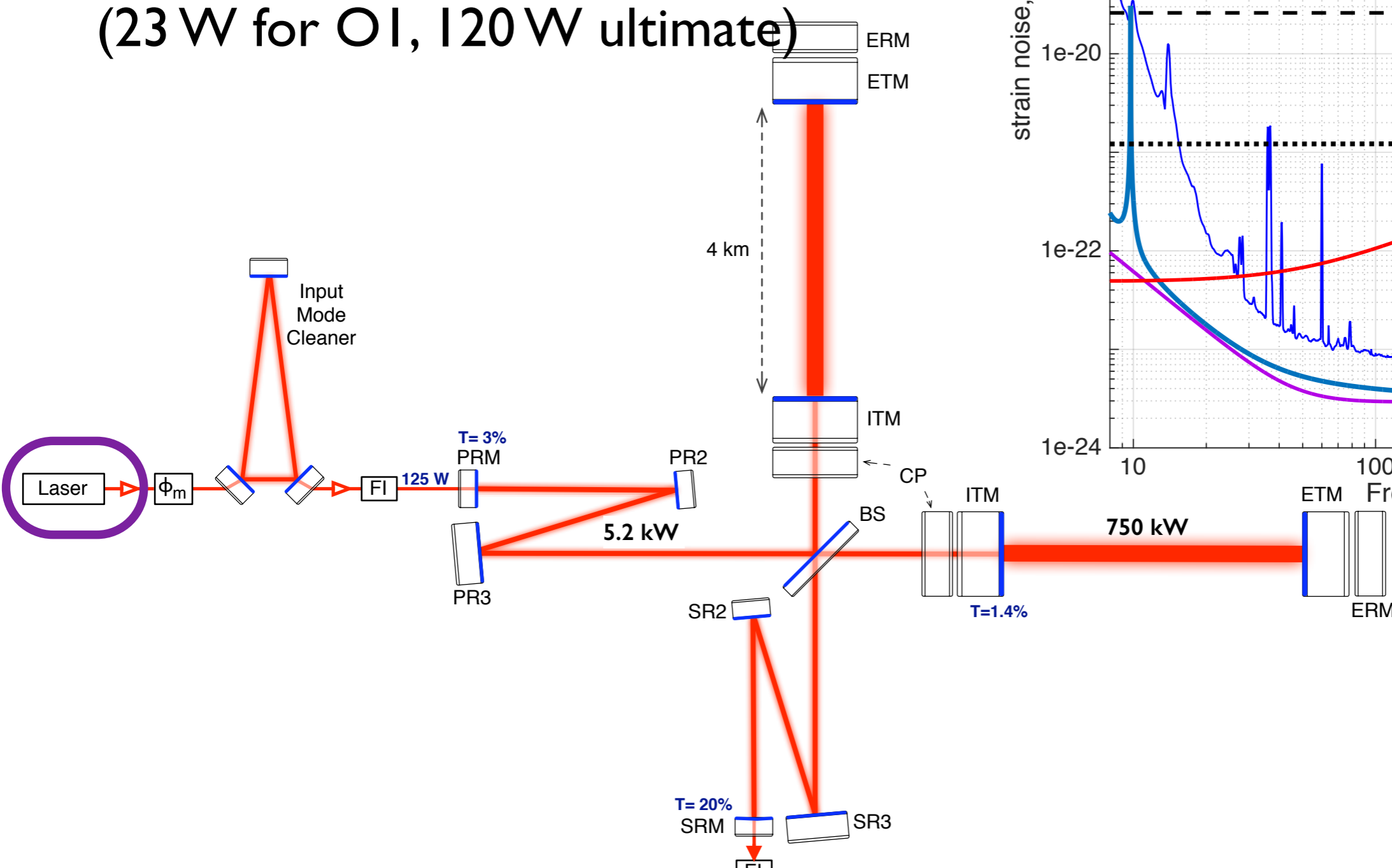


about 300 bounces

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(23 W for OI, 120 W ultimate)

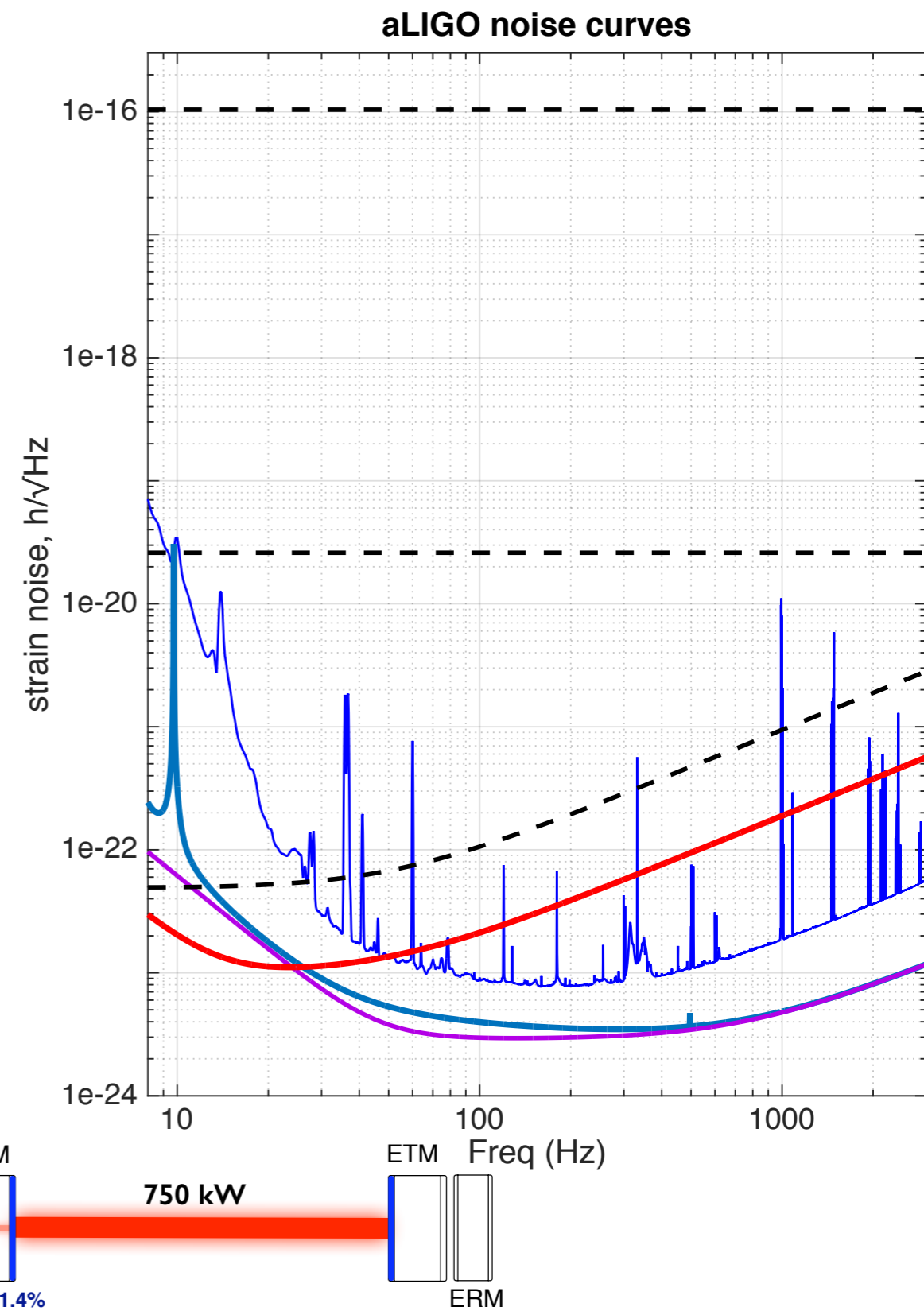
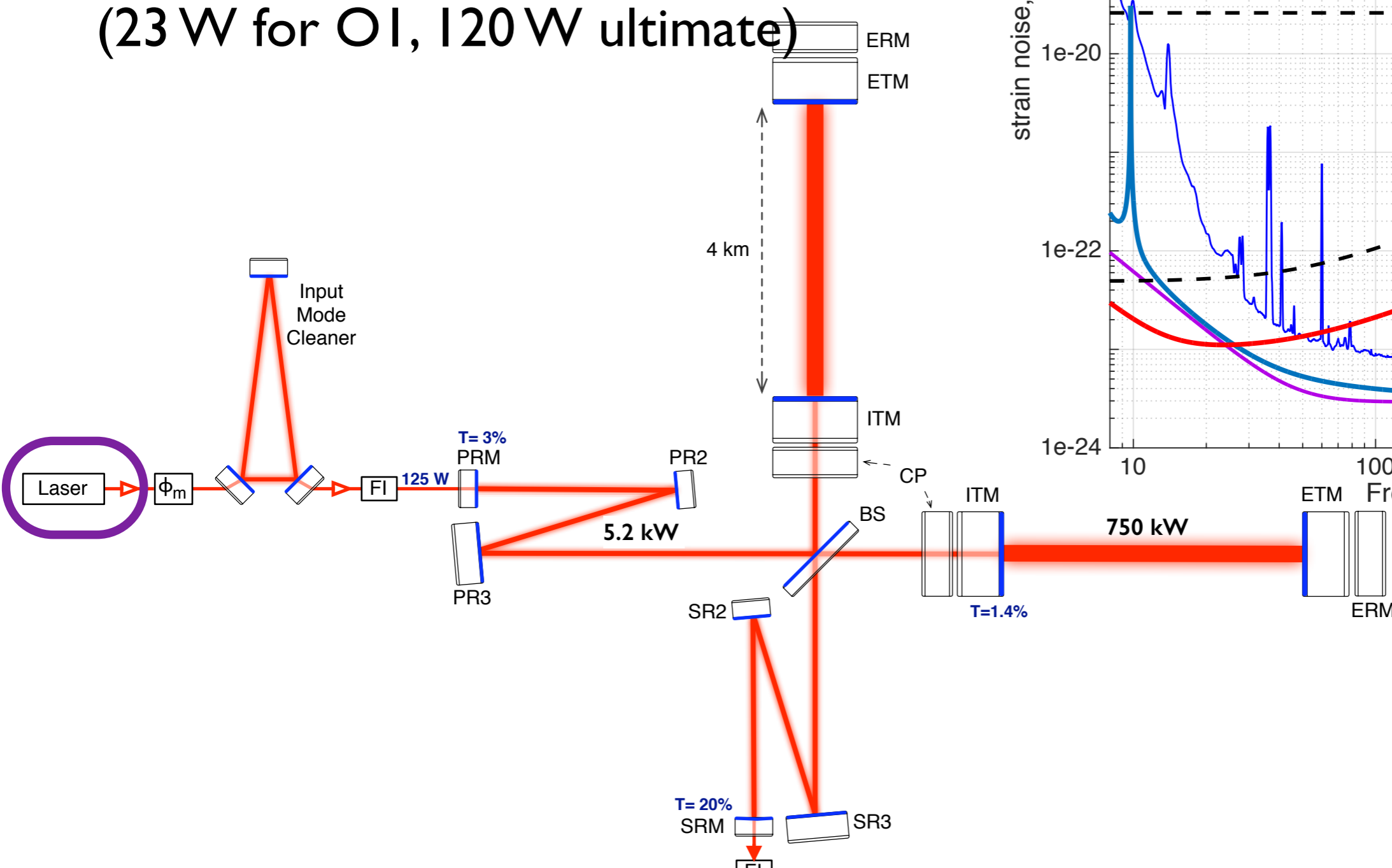




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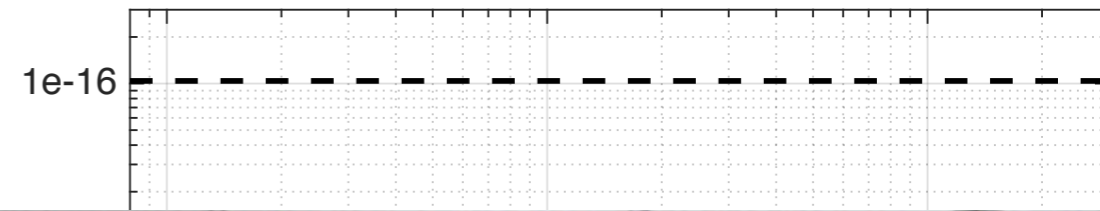
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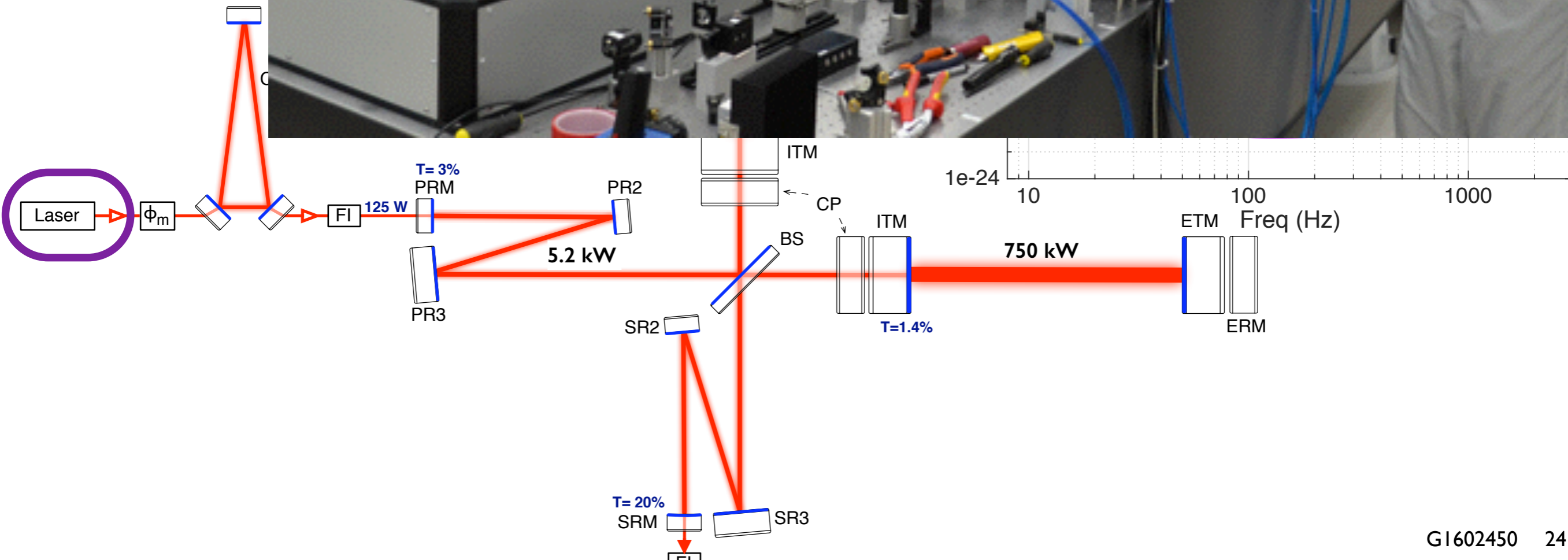
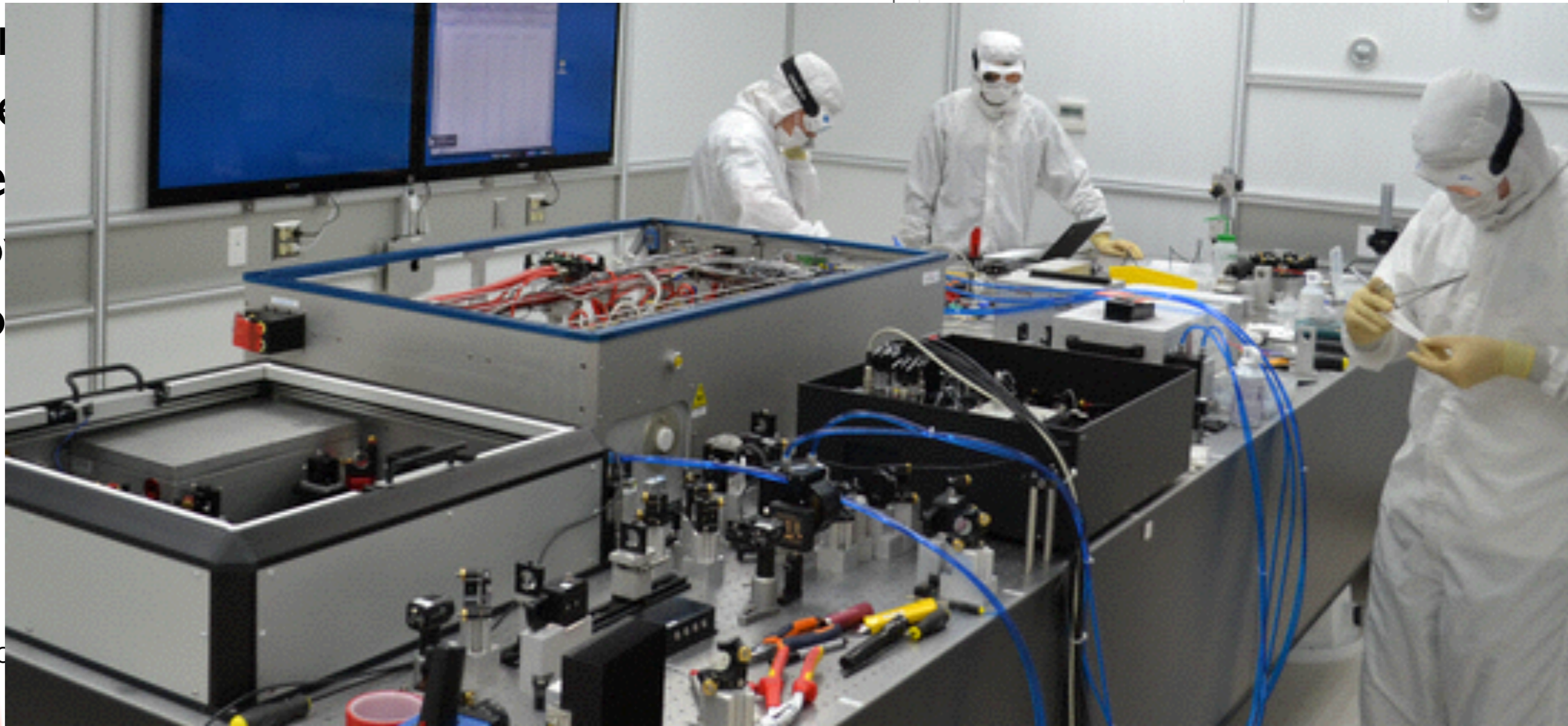


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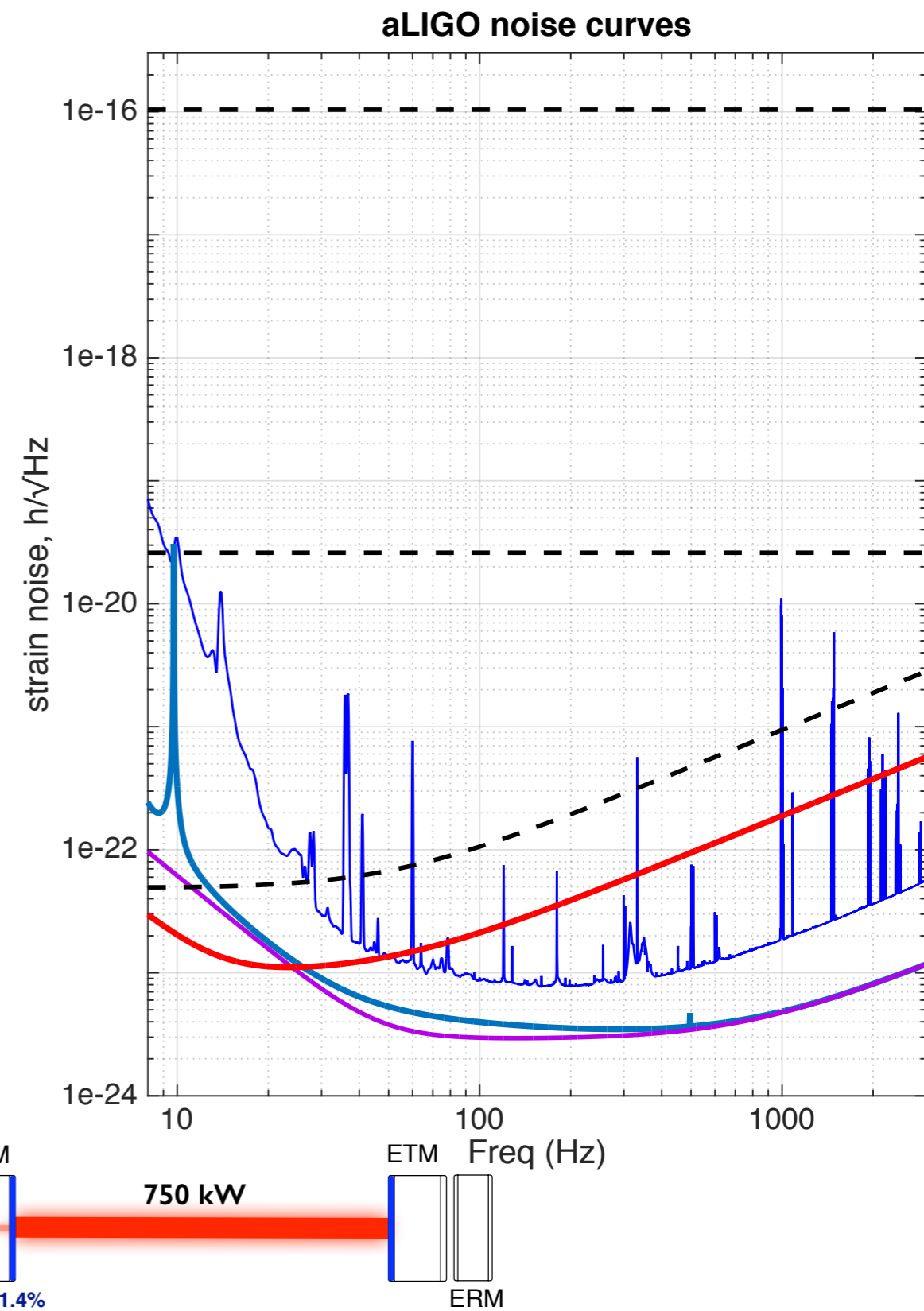
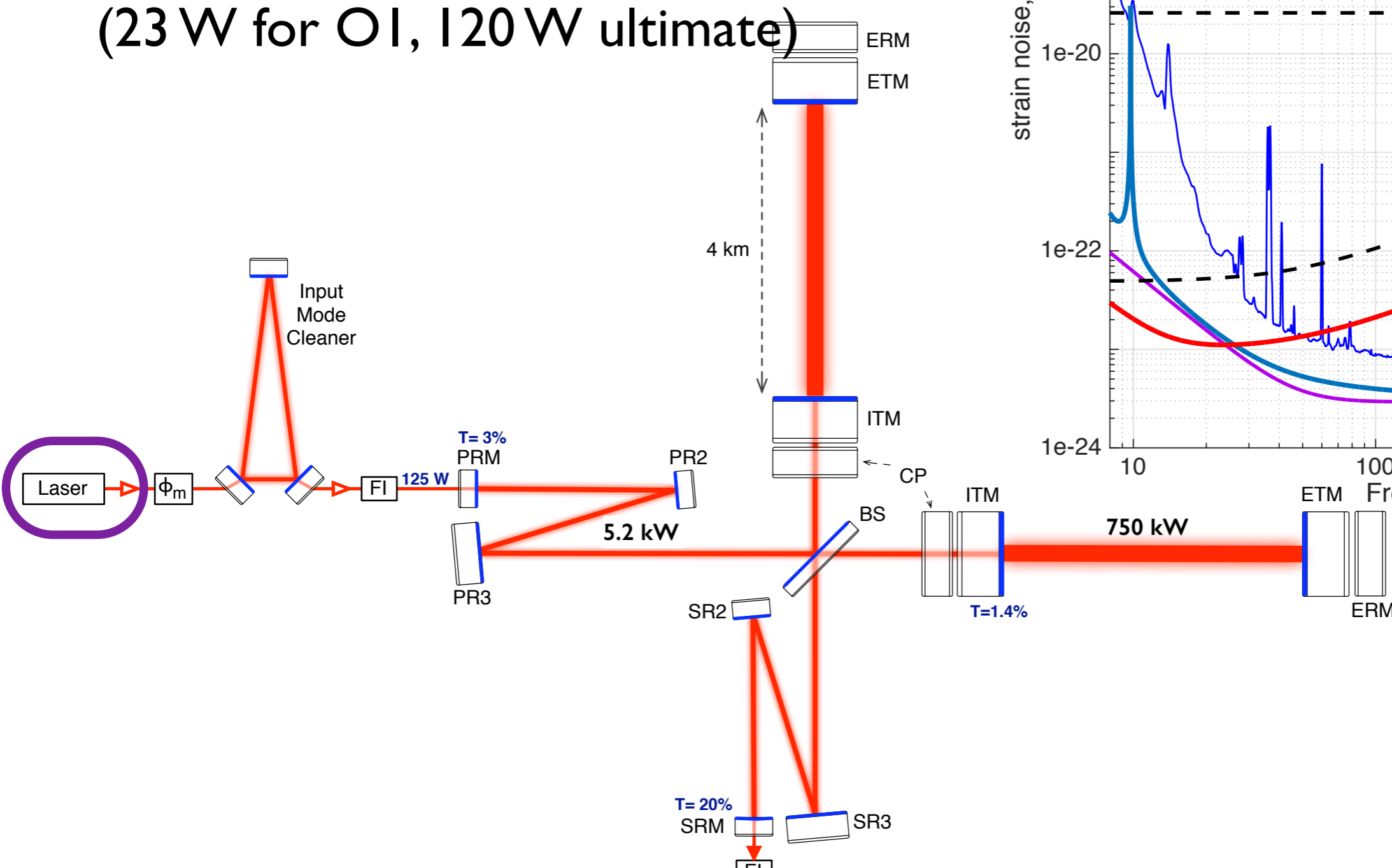
3. Interesting  
(measure level)
- Fabry-Pérot
  - More Power (23 W for)



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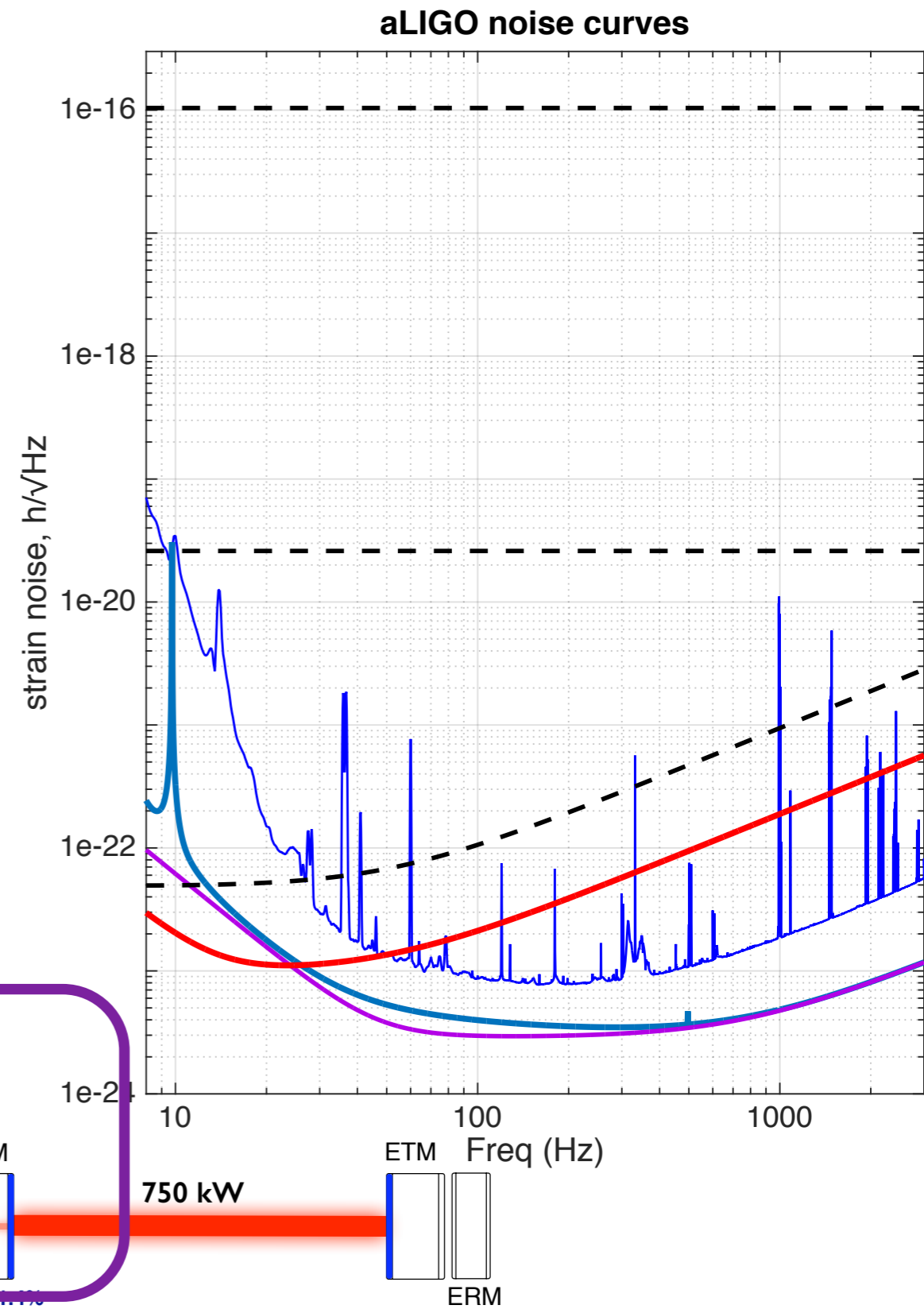
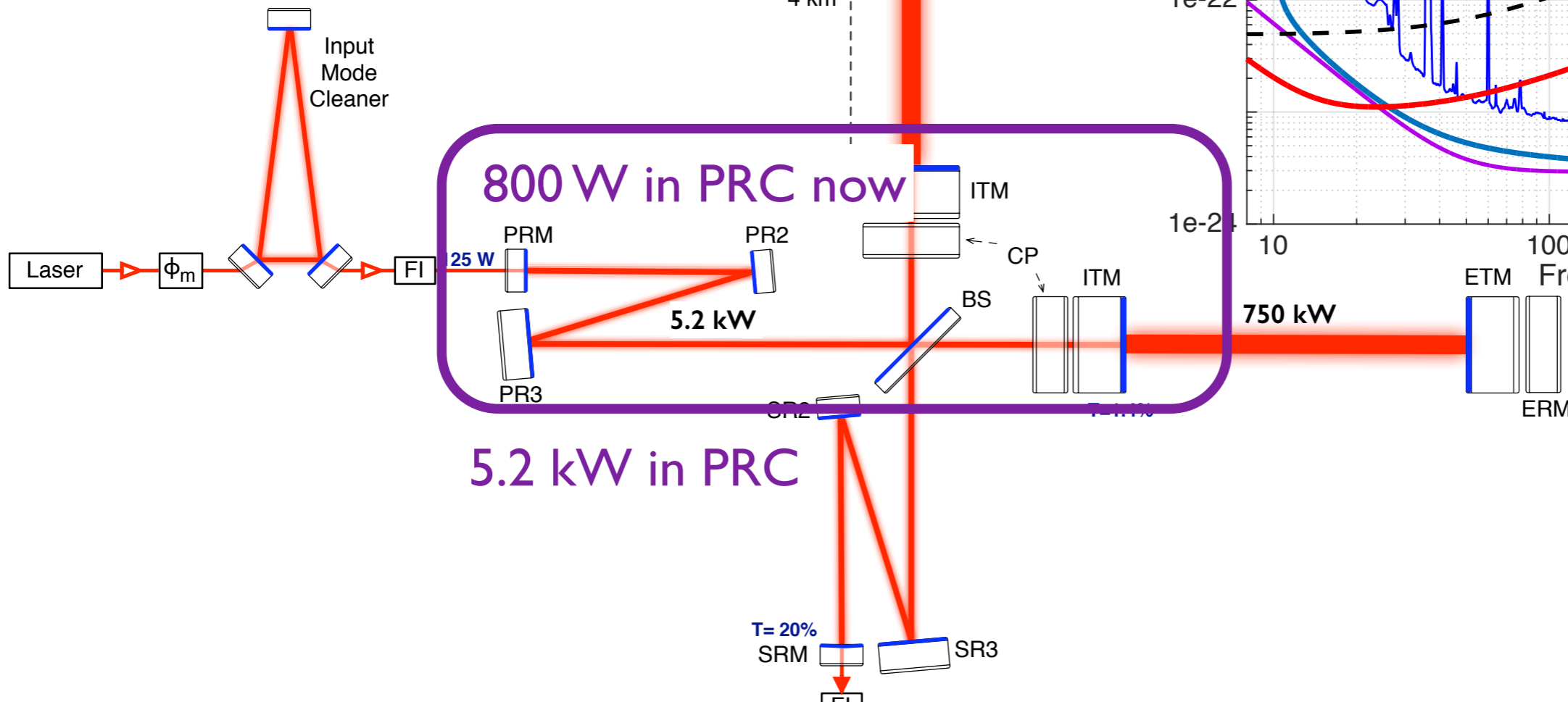
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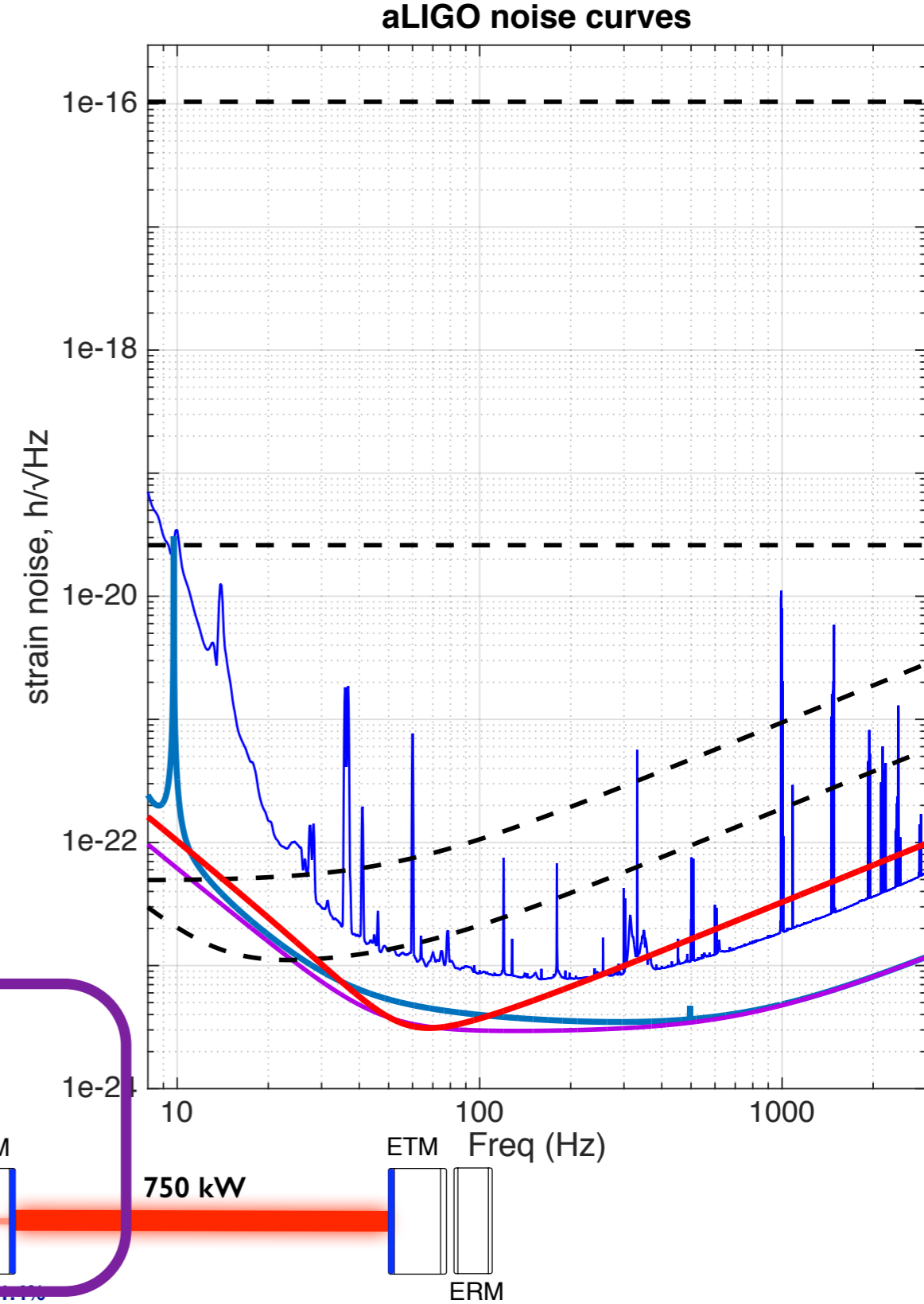
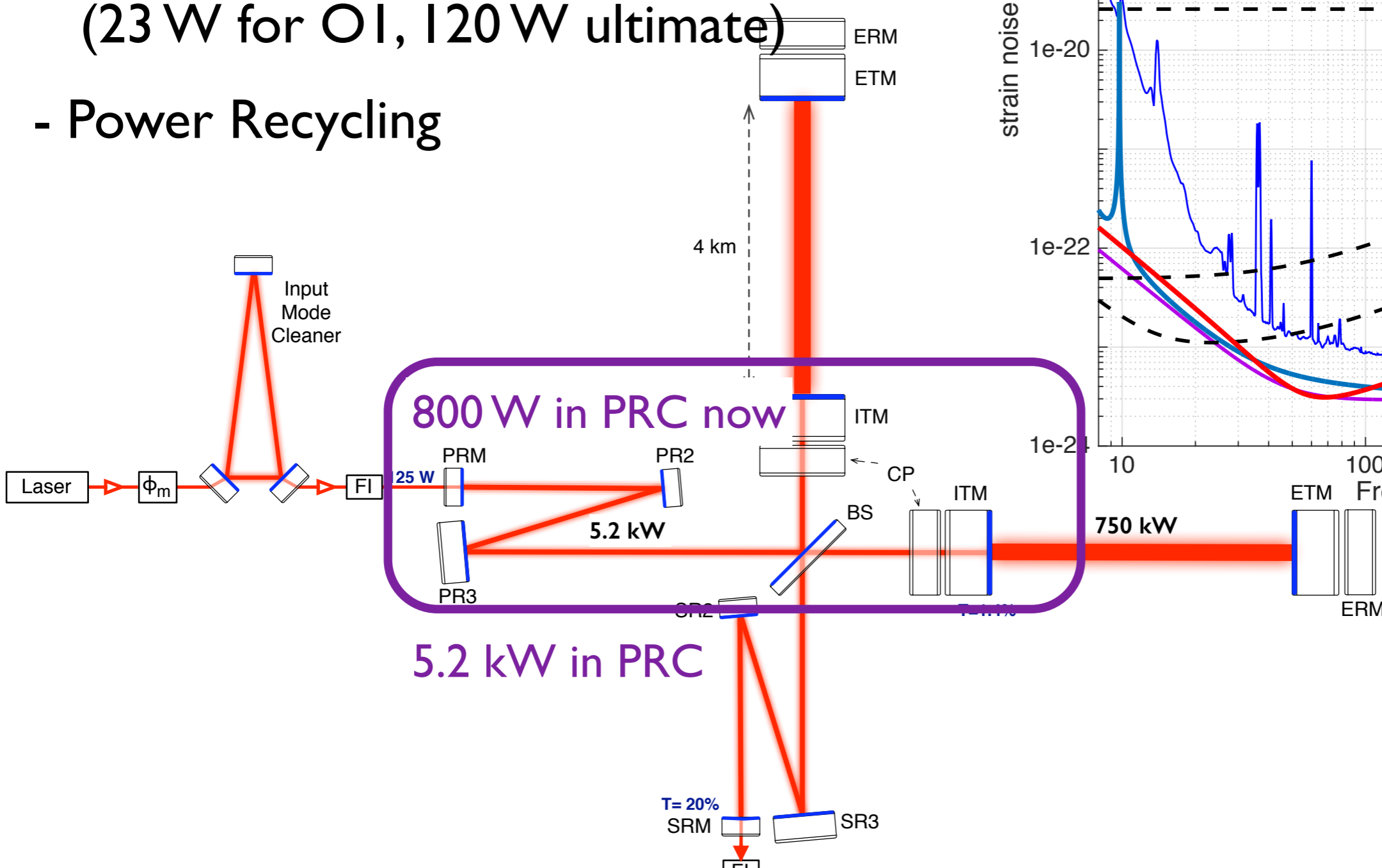
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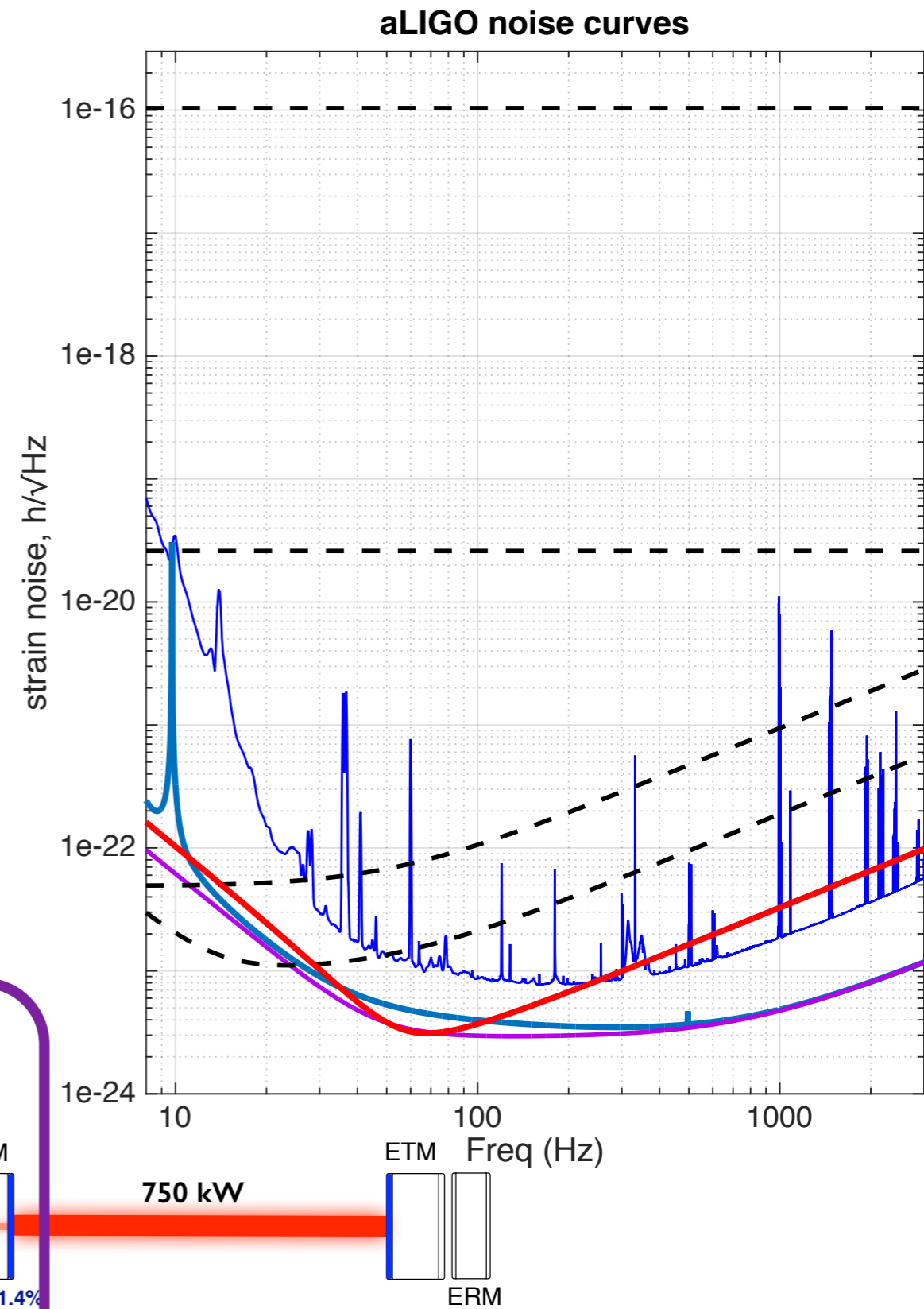
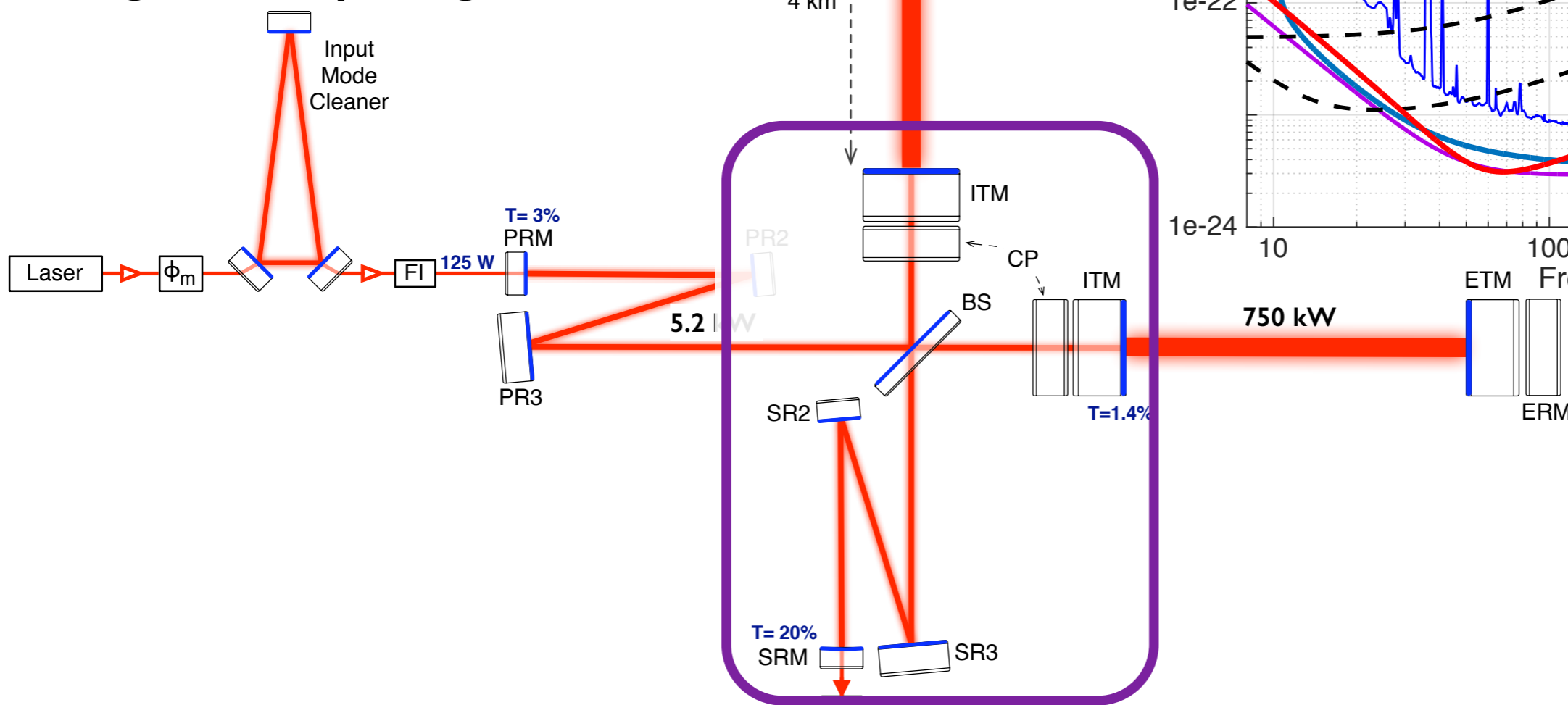
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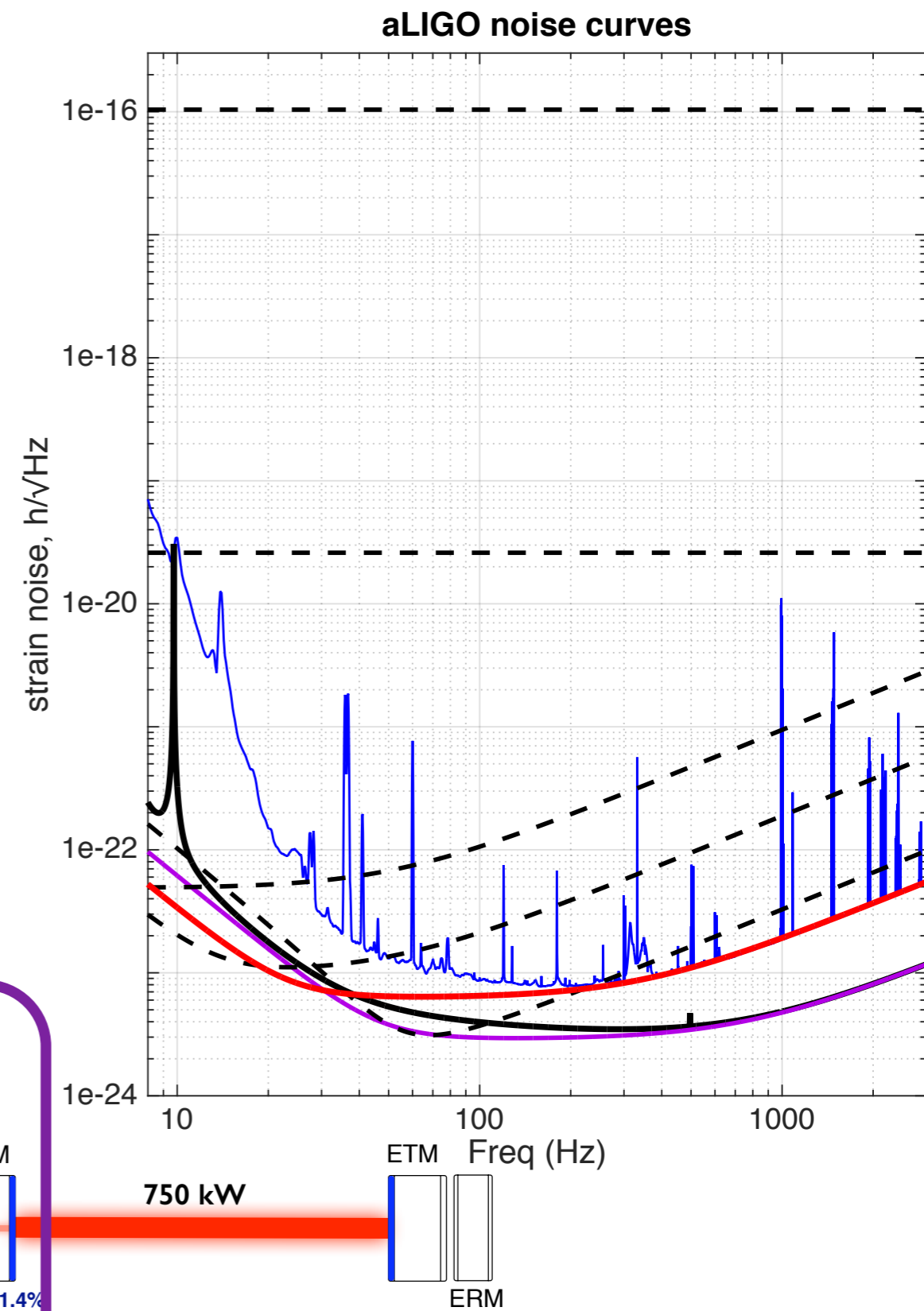
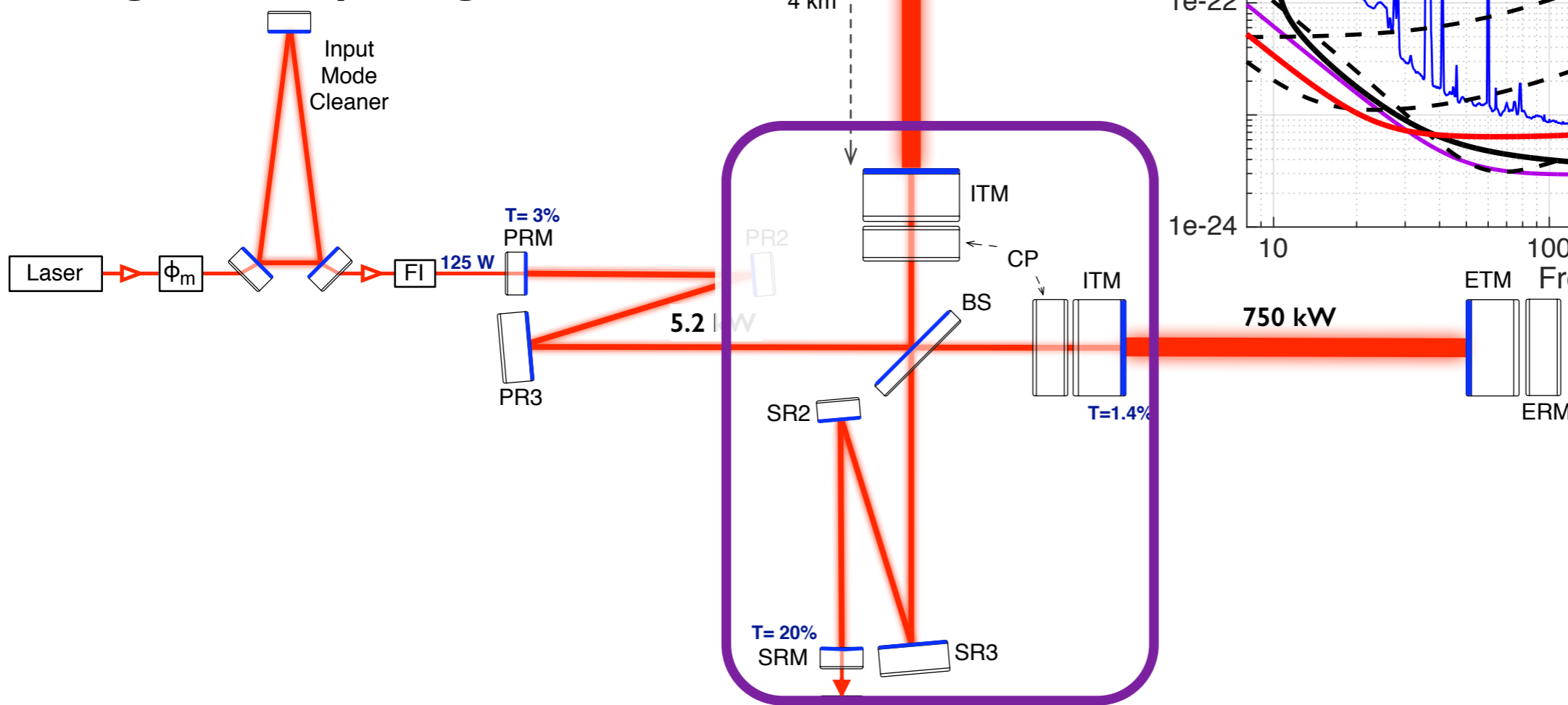
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- Power Recycling
- Signal Recycling/ Extraction



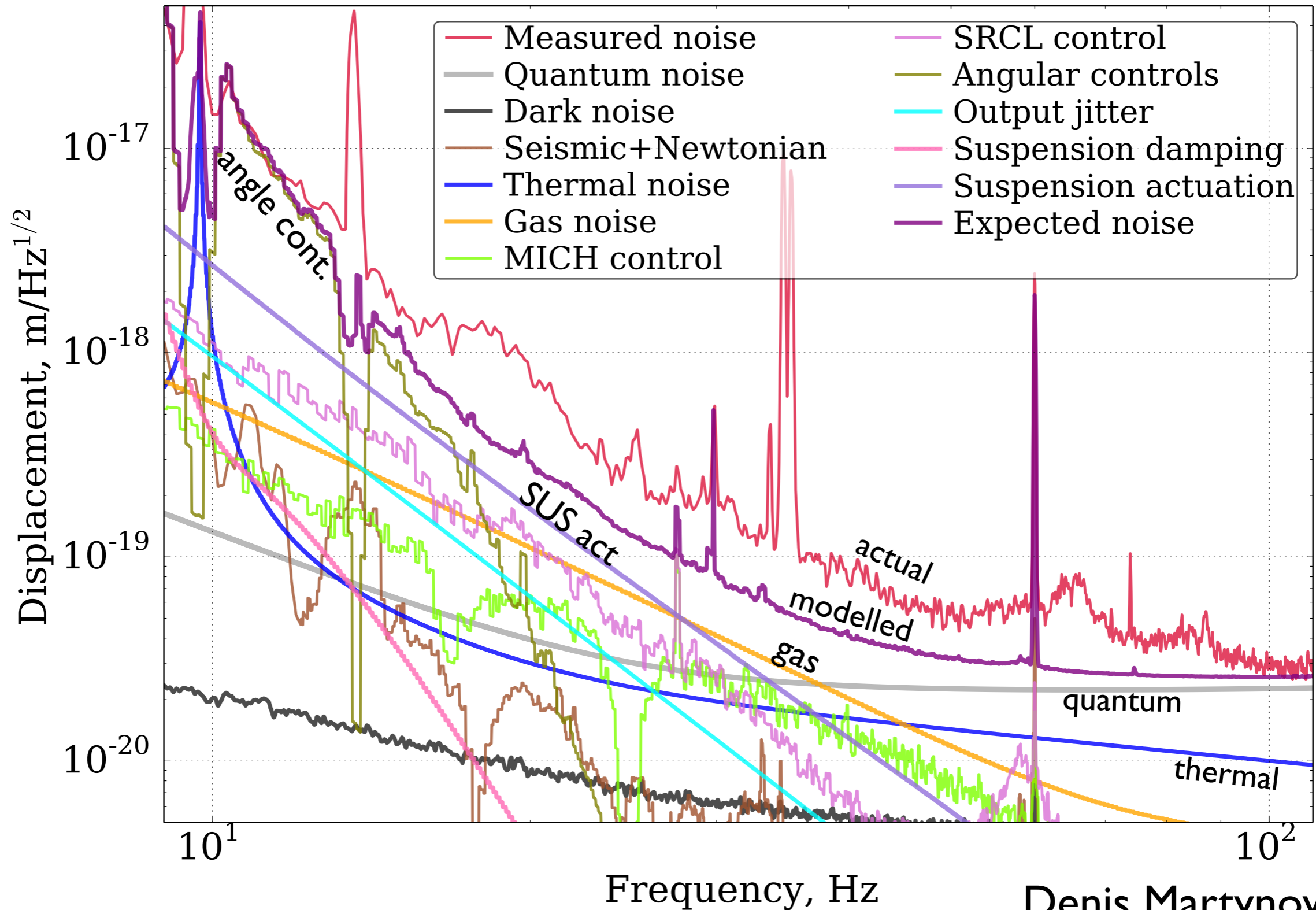
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# Noise at 10-100 Hz



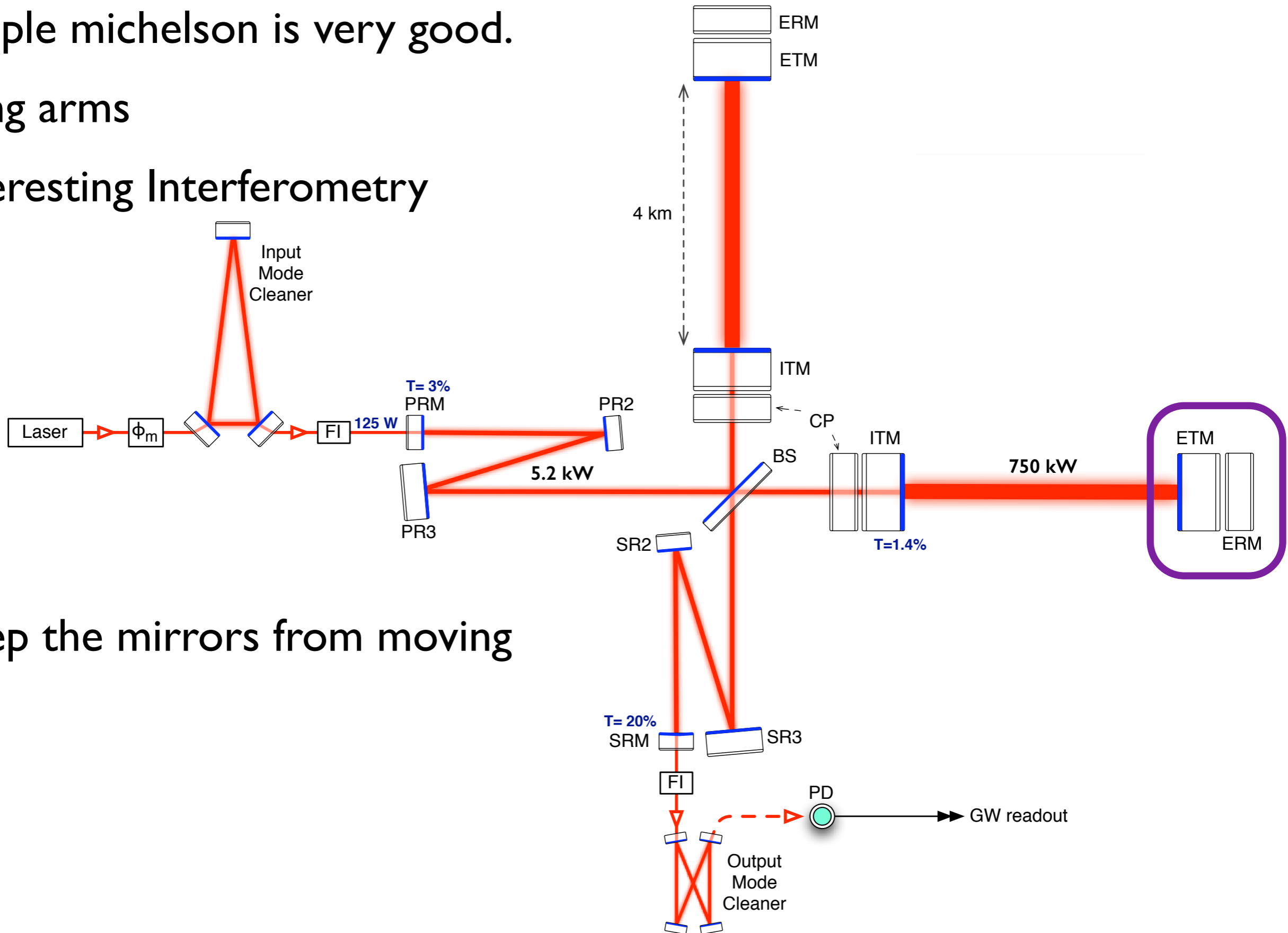
Denis Martynov, et. al.

(a) LIGO Livingston Observatory



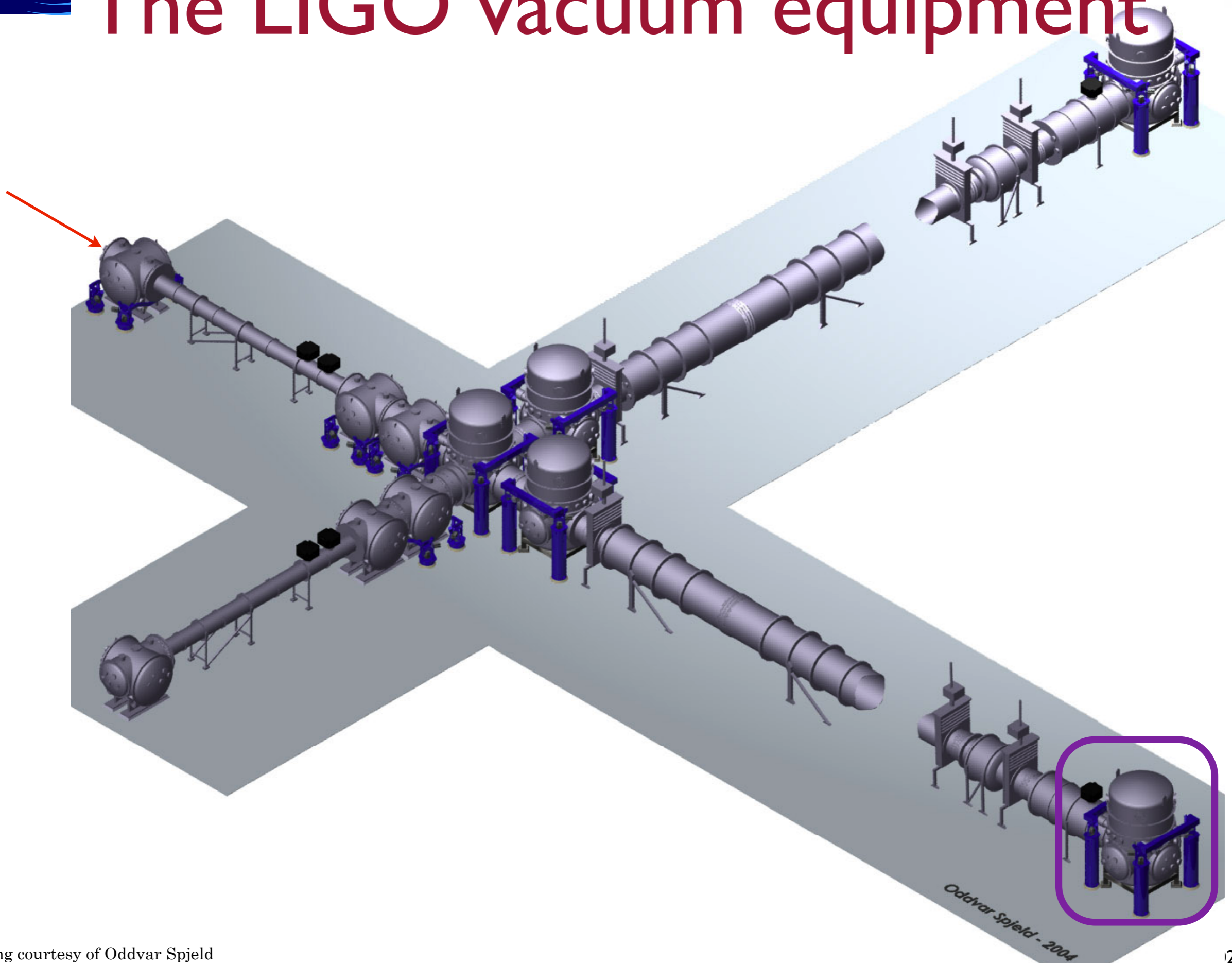
# Mirror control

1. Simple michelson is very good.
2. Long arms
3. Interesting Interferometry

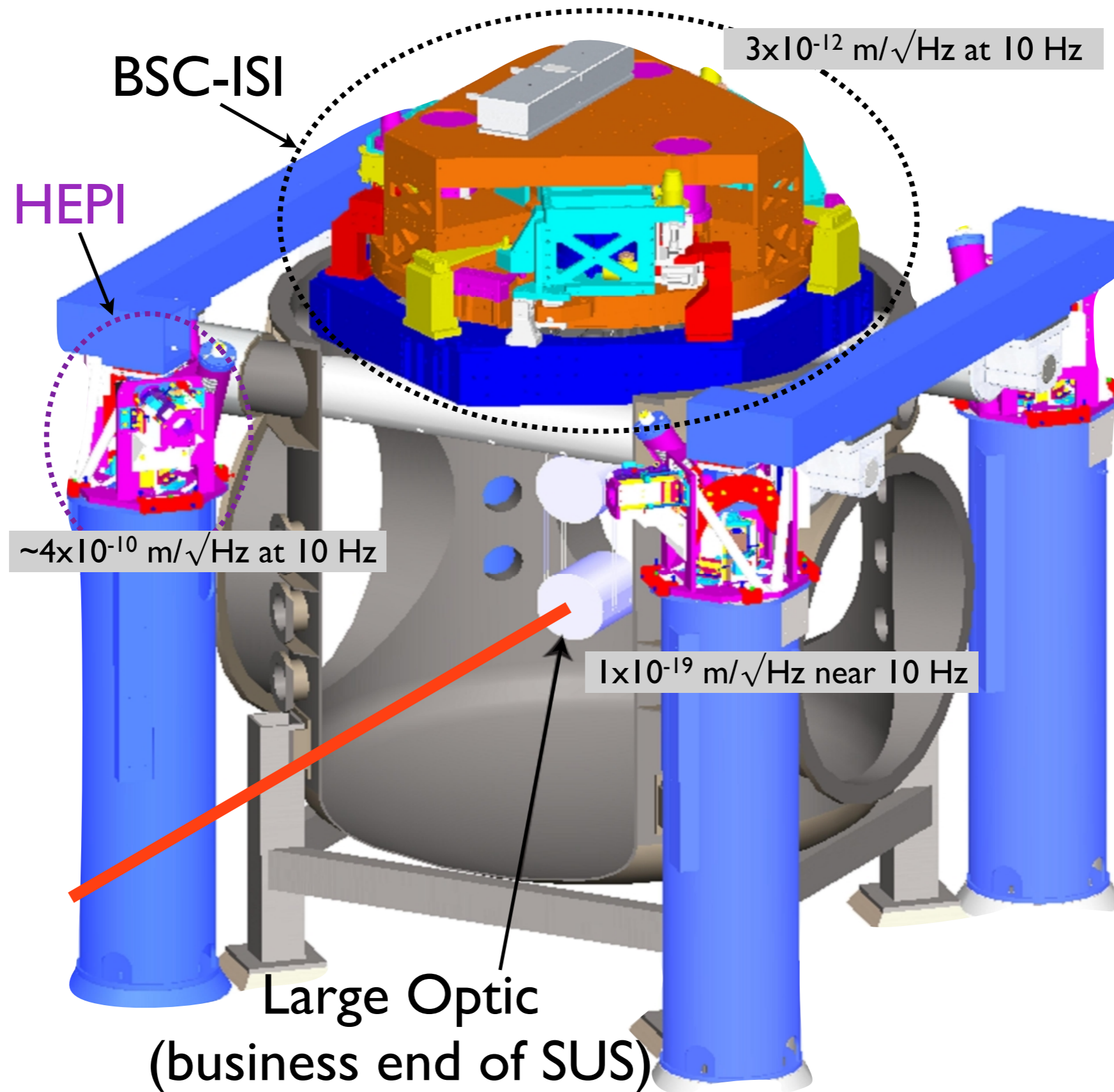


4. Keep the mirrors from moving

# The LIGO vacuum equipment

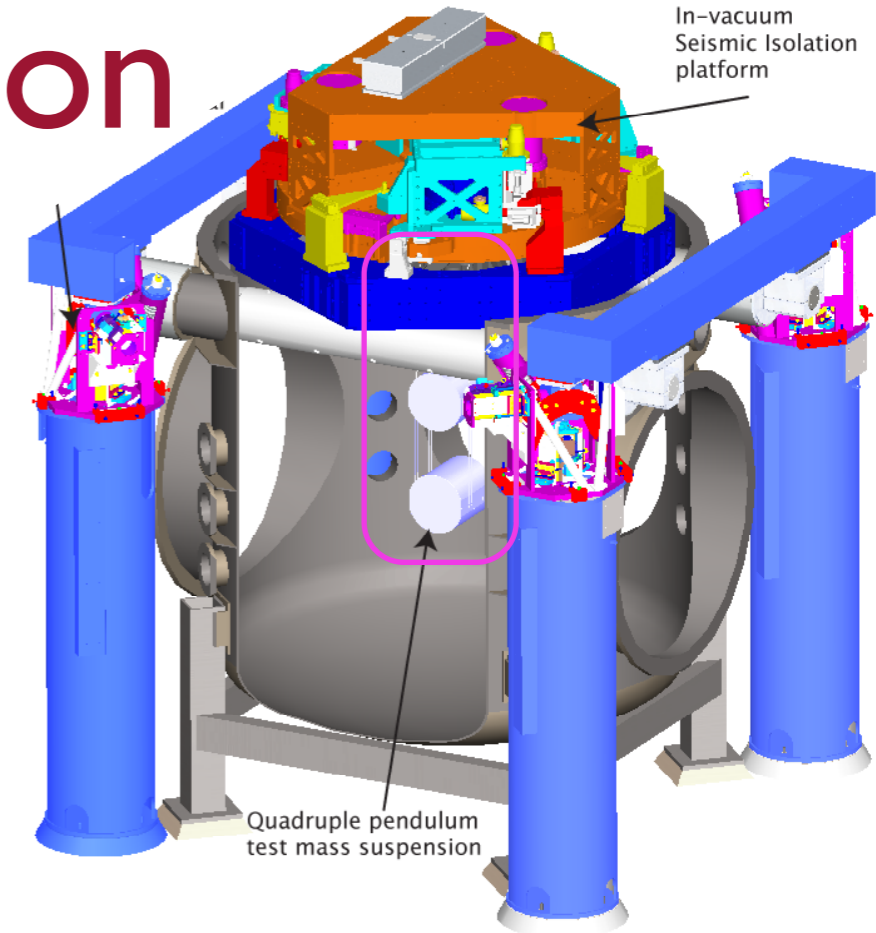


# Overall Isolation of Test Masses



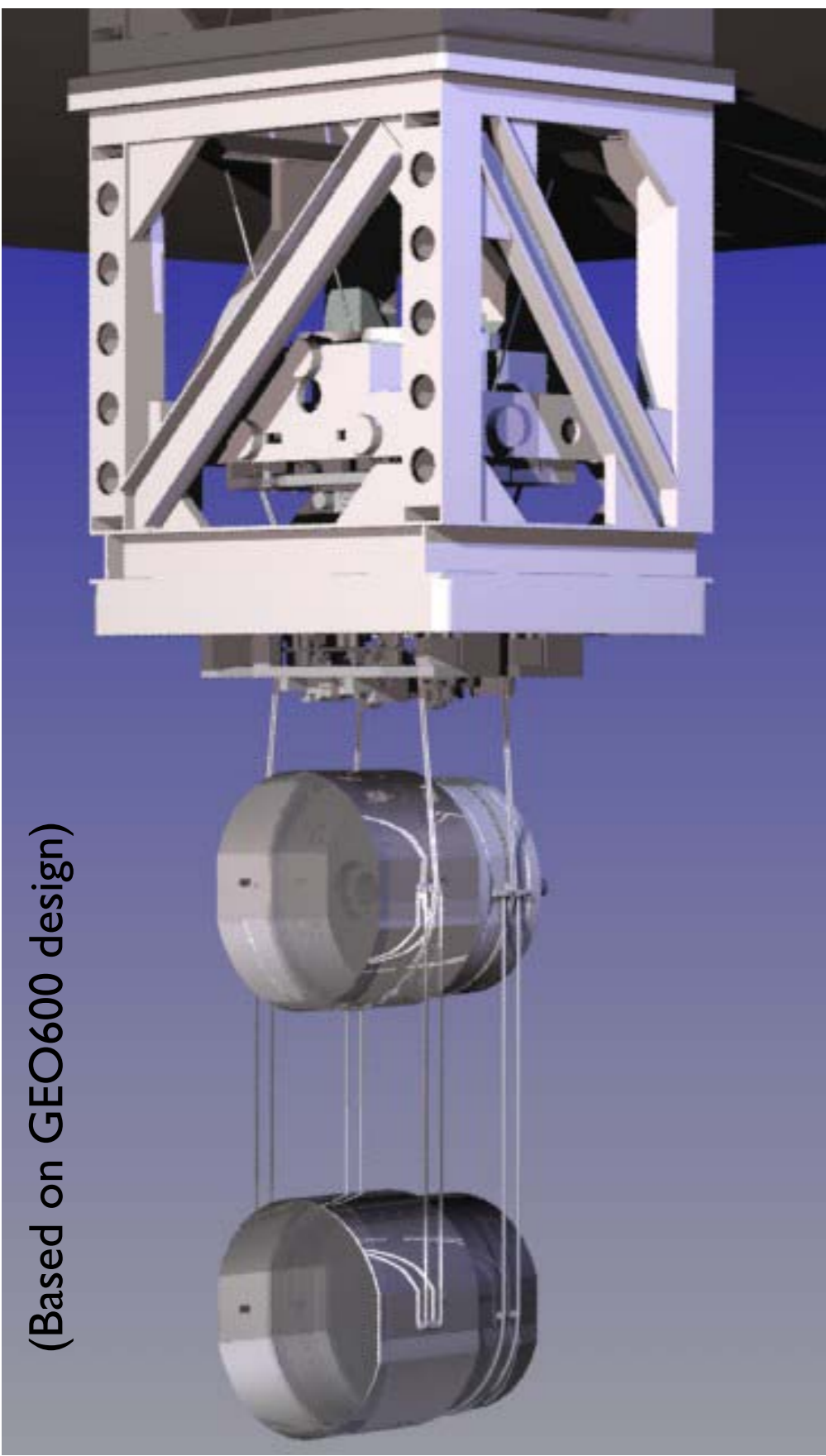
# Pendulum Suspension

In-vacuum  
Seismic Isolation  
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34 cm diameter  
20 cm thick

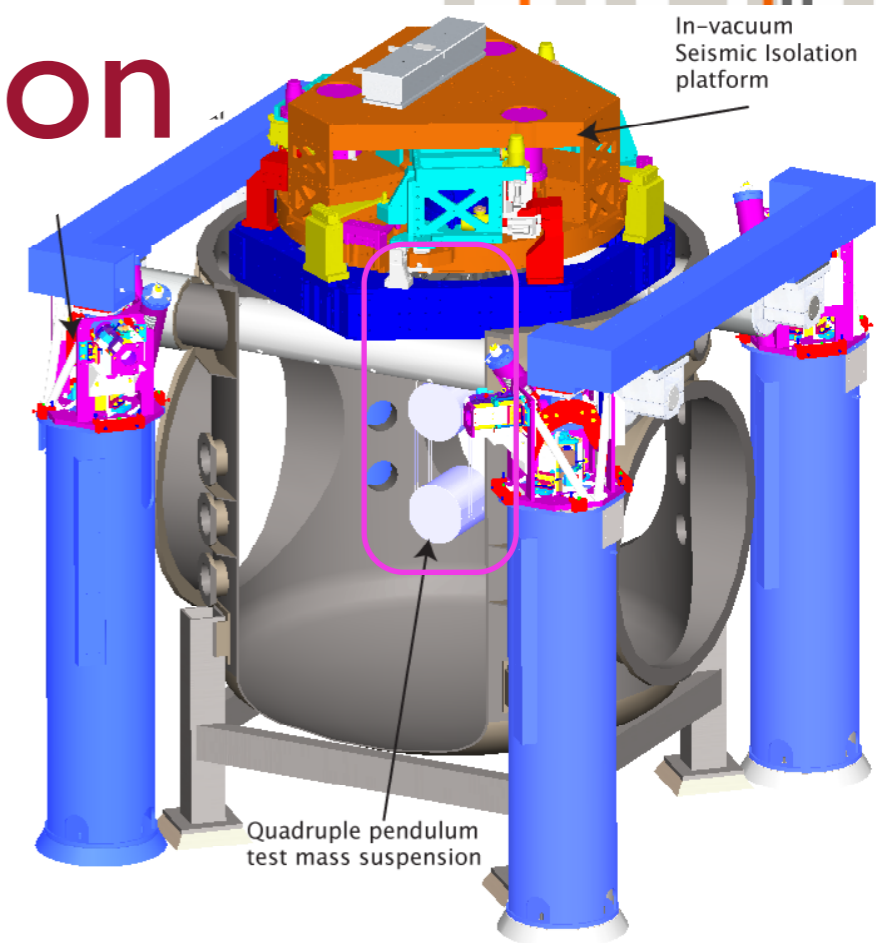
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(Based on GEO600 design)

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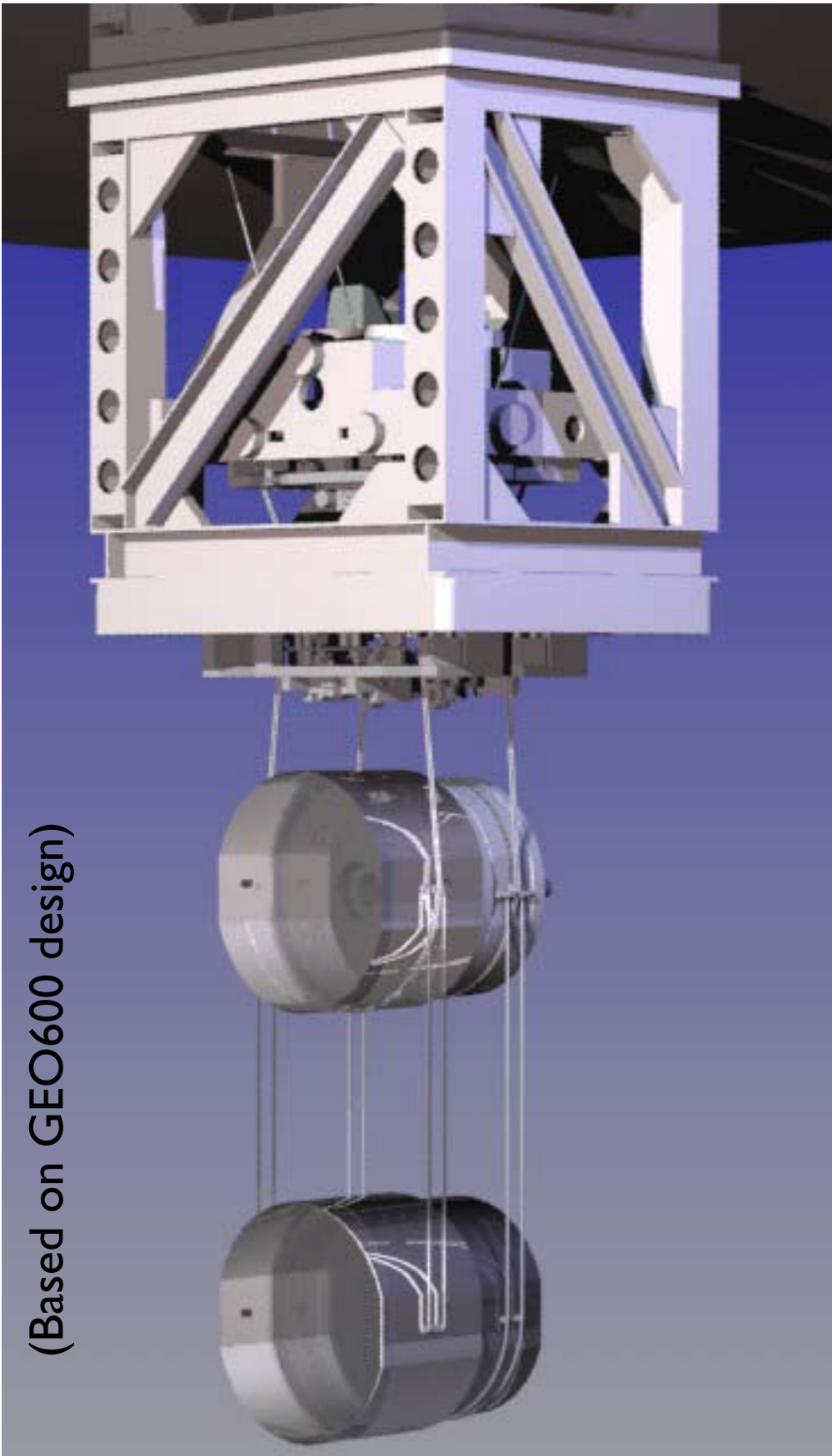


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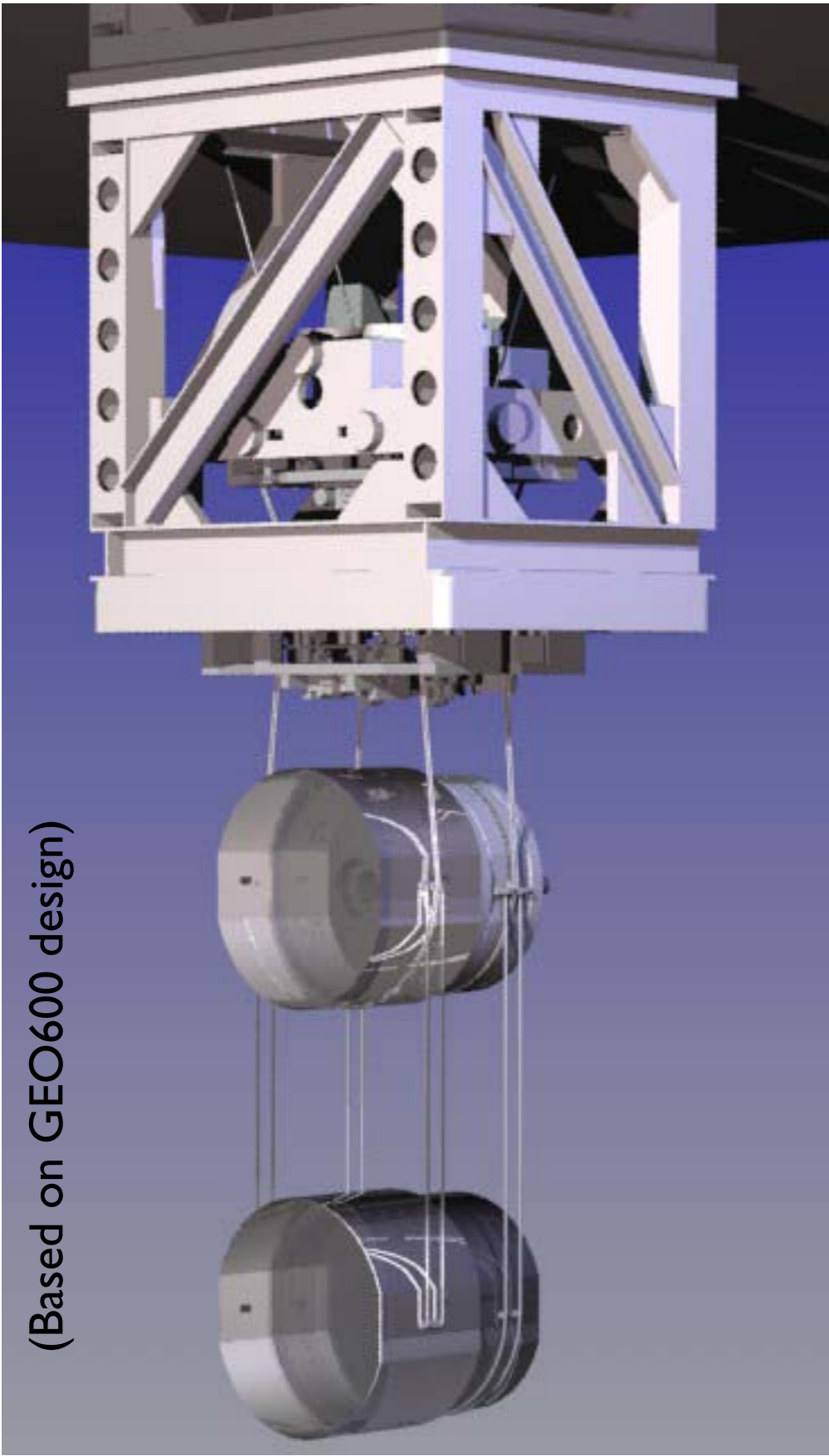
Motion at 10 Hz set by  
thermal driven vibration



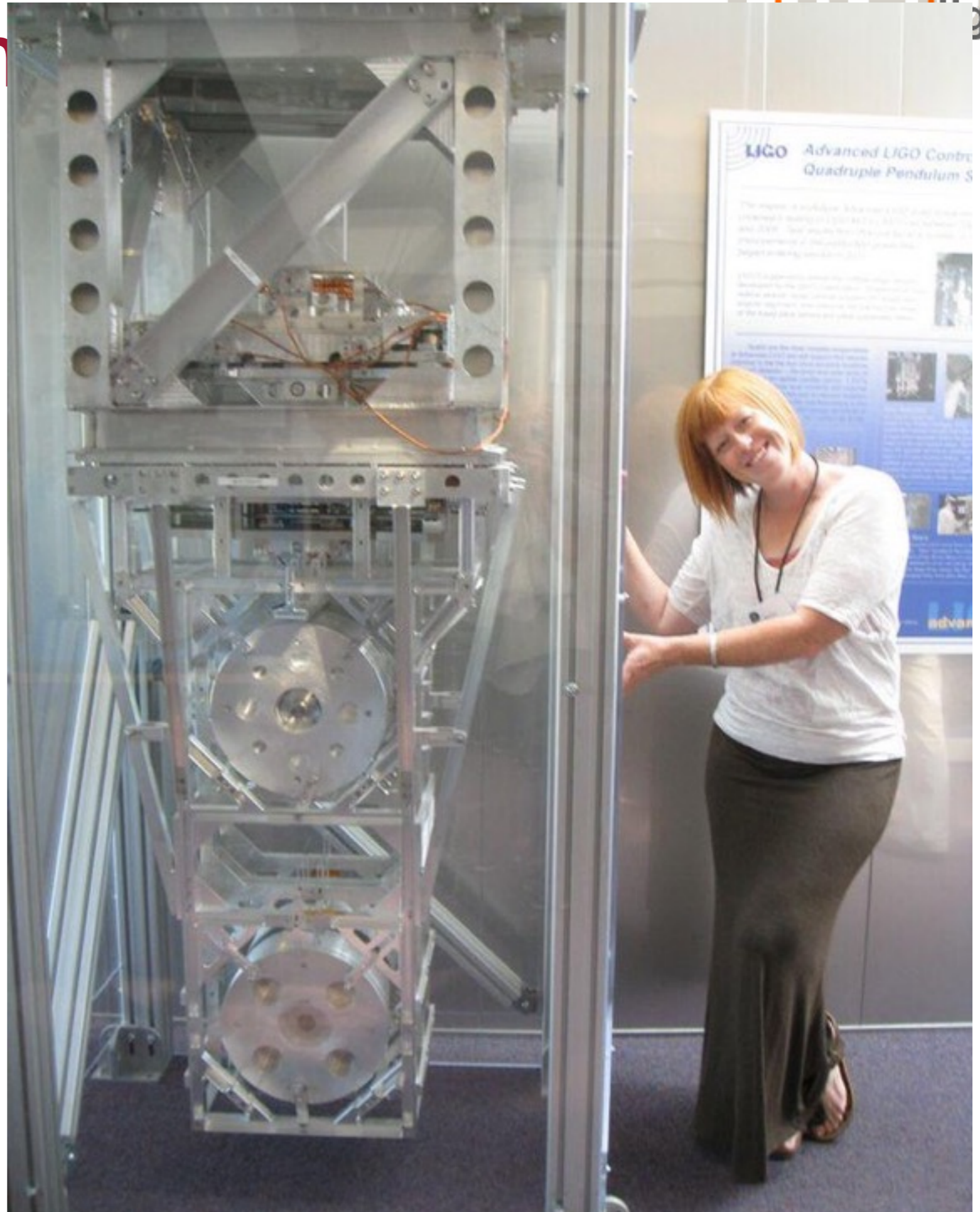
(Based on GEO600 design)

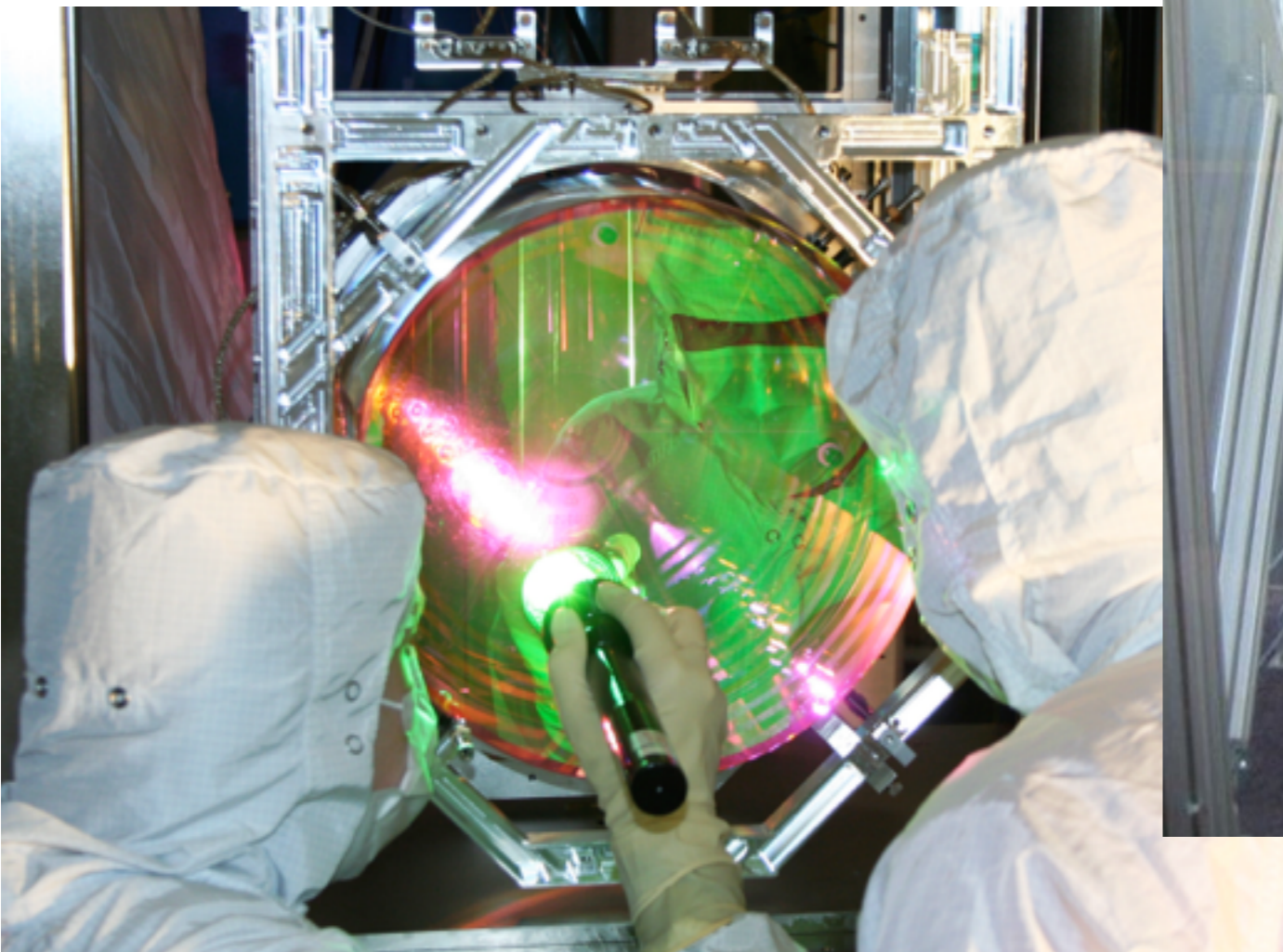
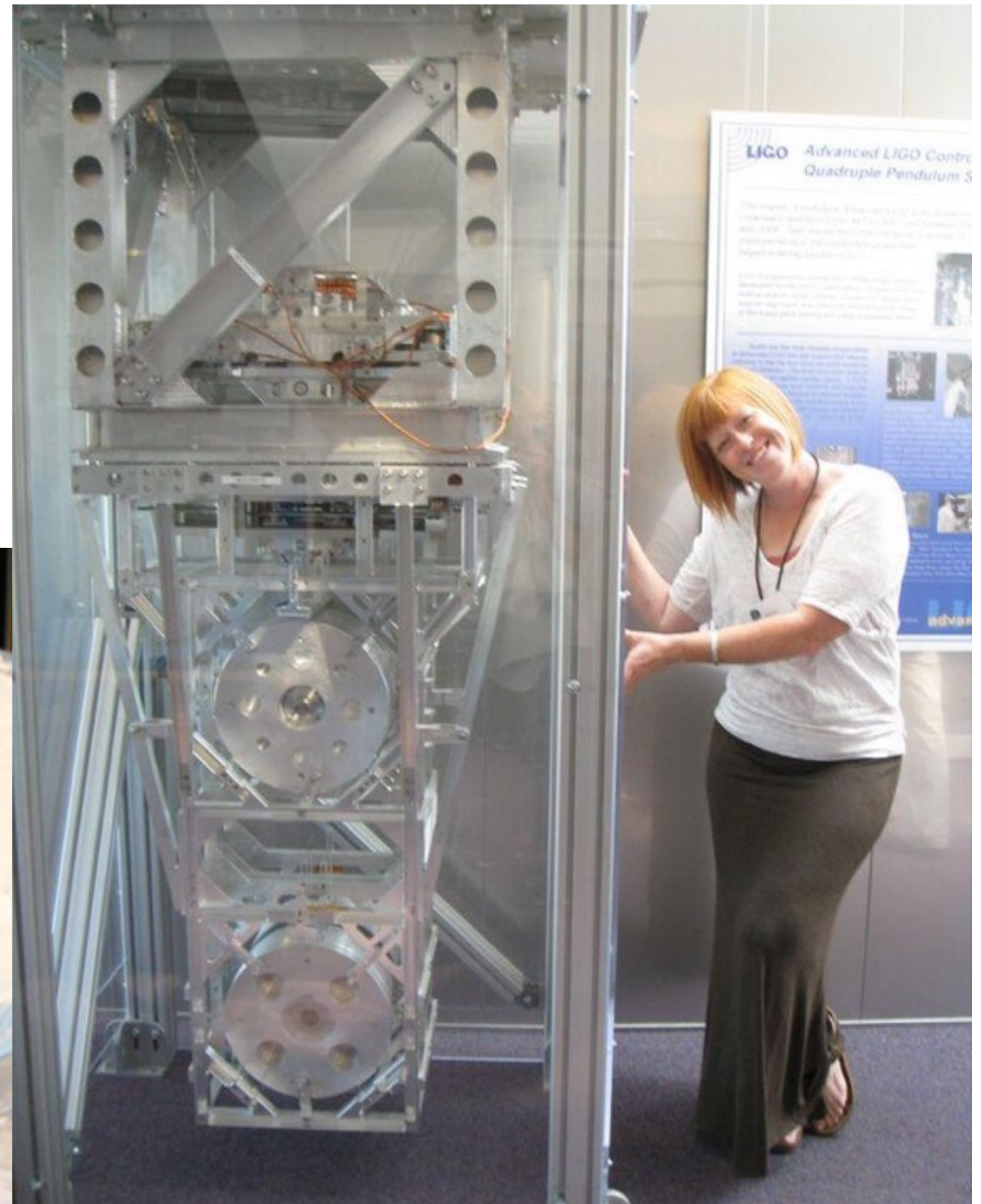
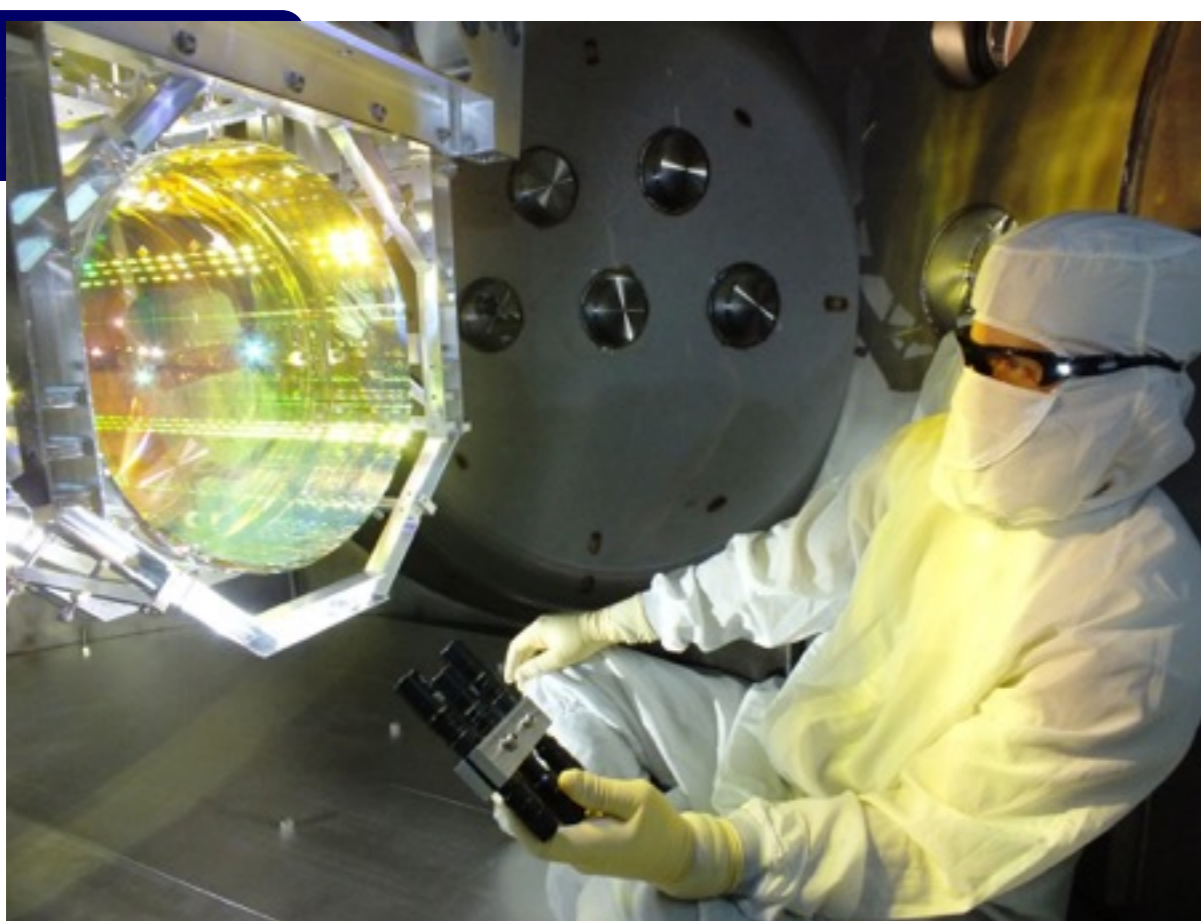
silicate bonding creates a monolithic final stage

# Pendulum

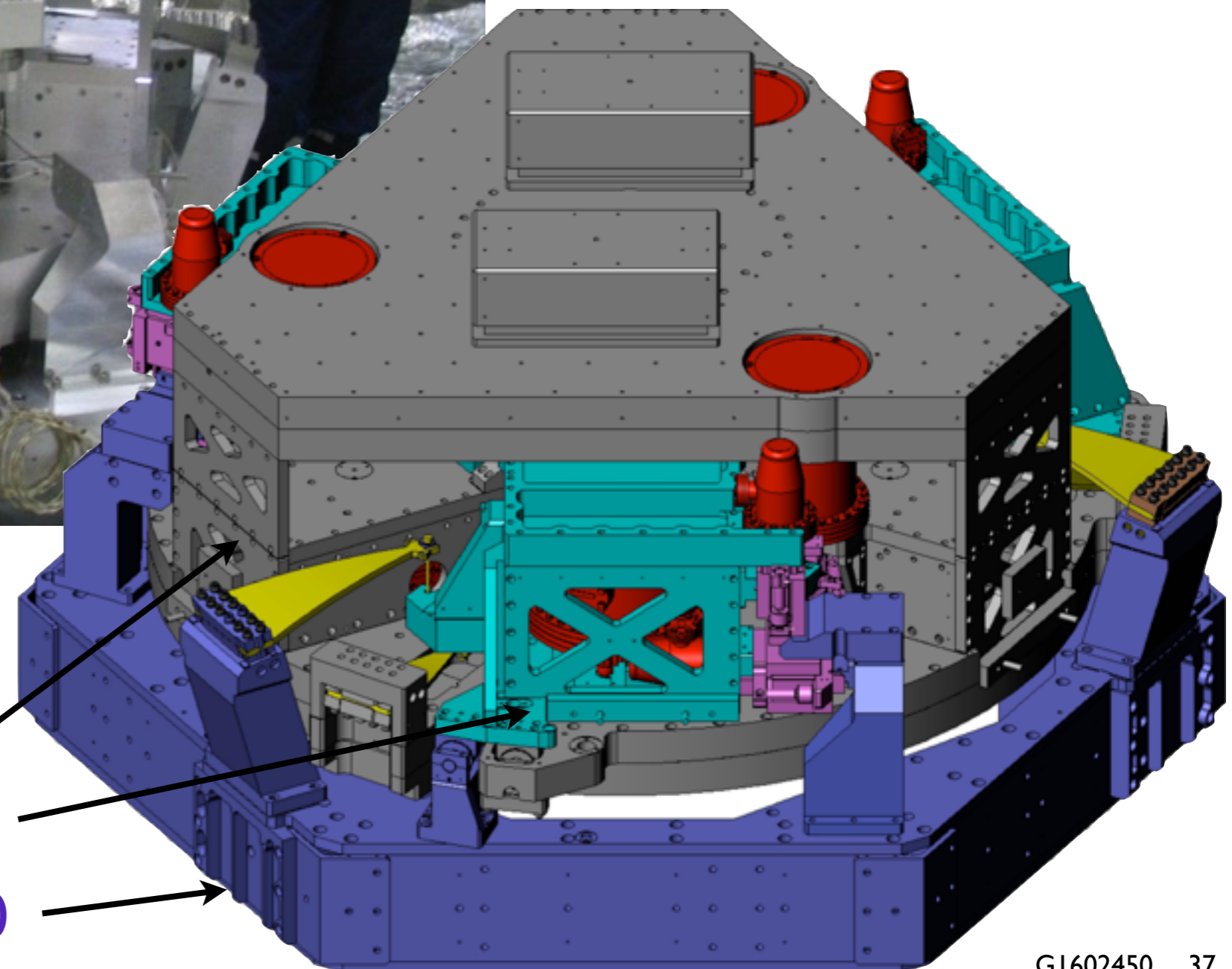
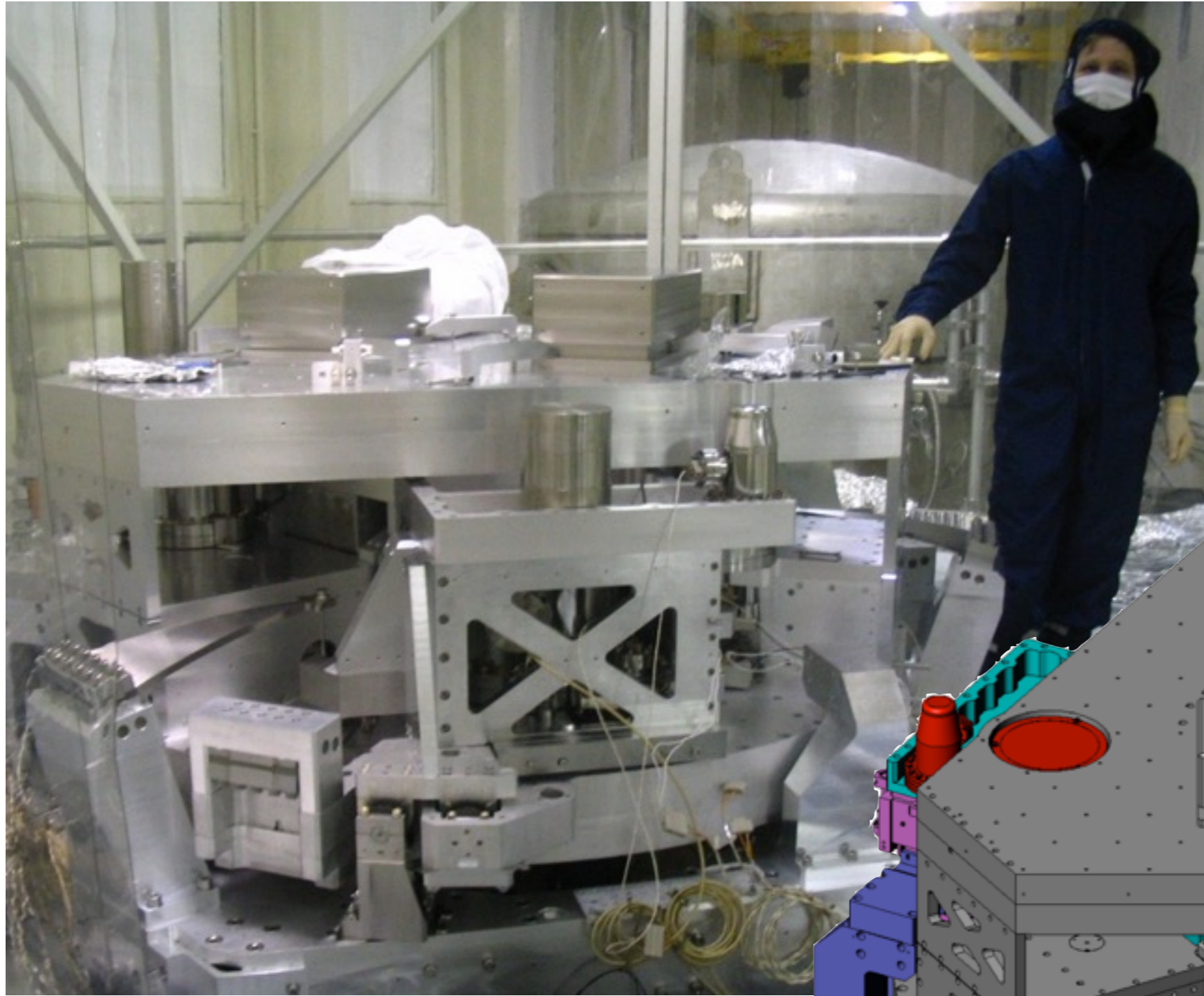


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# Optical Table

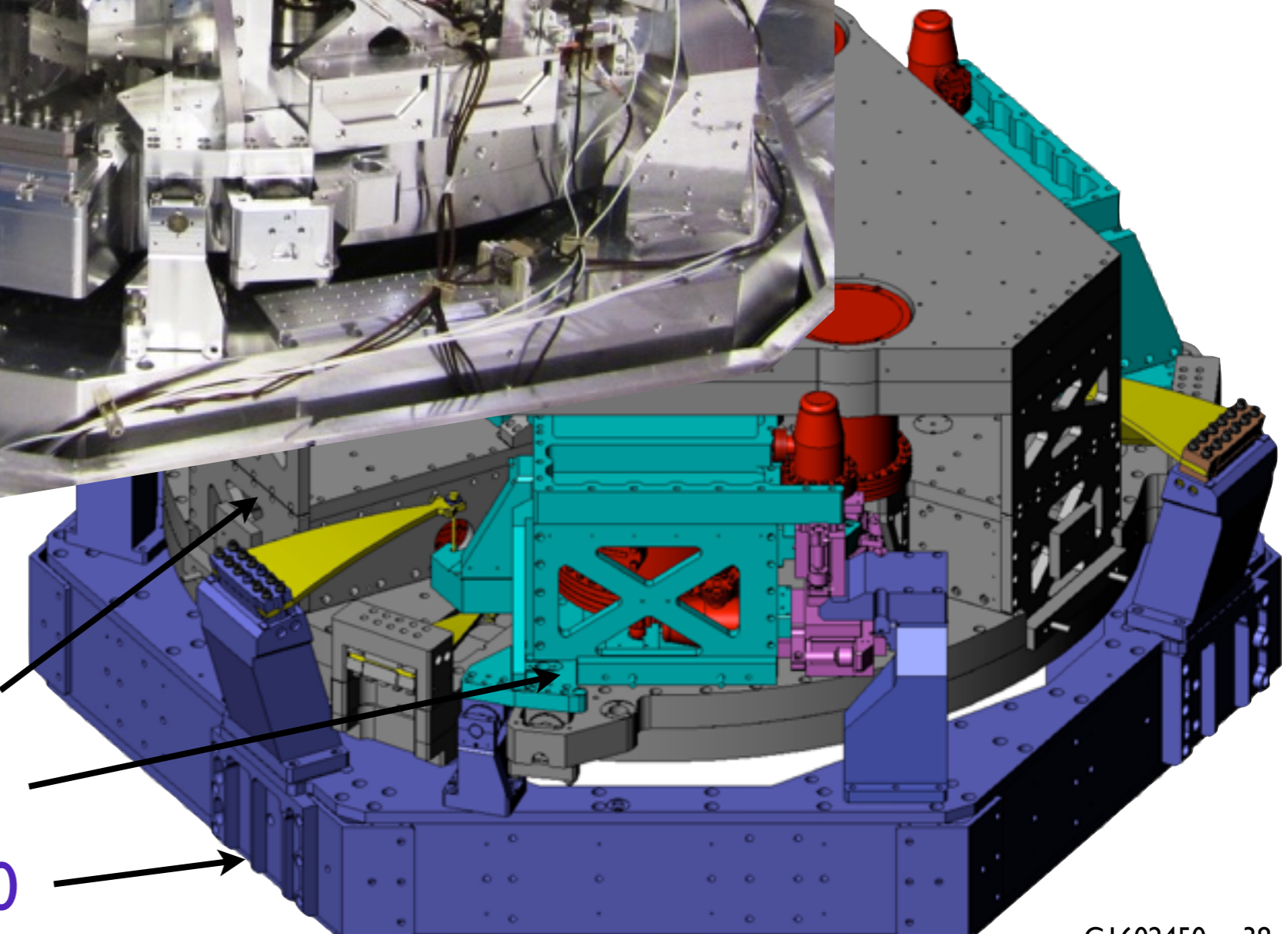
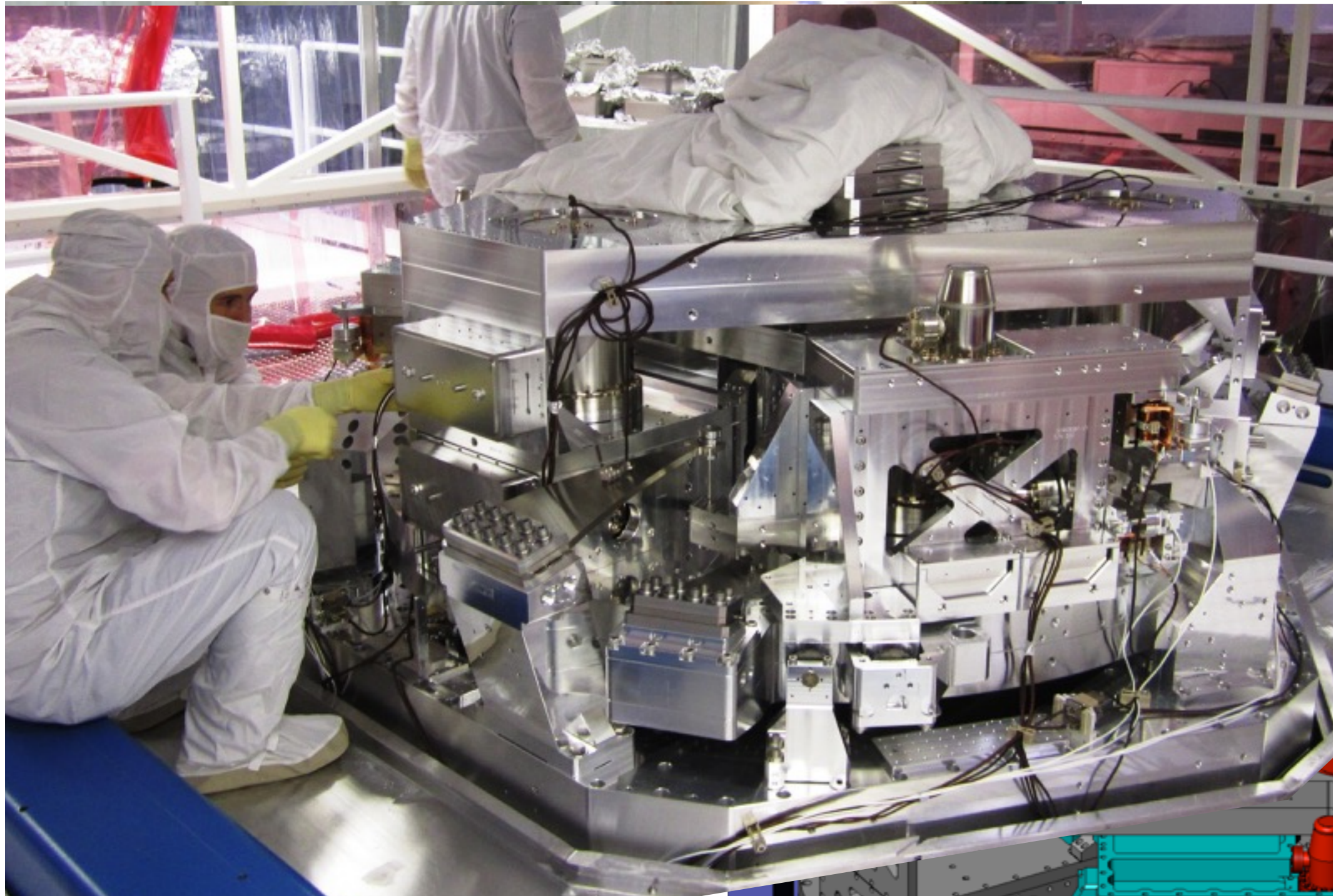


optics table - stage 2

stage 1

support - stage 0



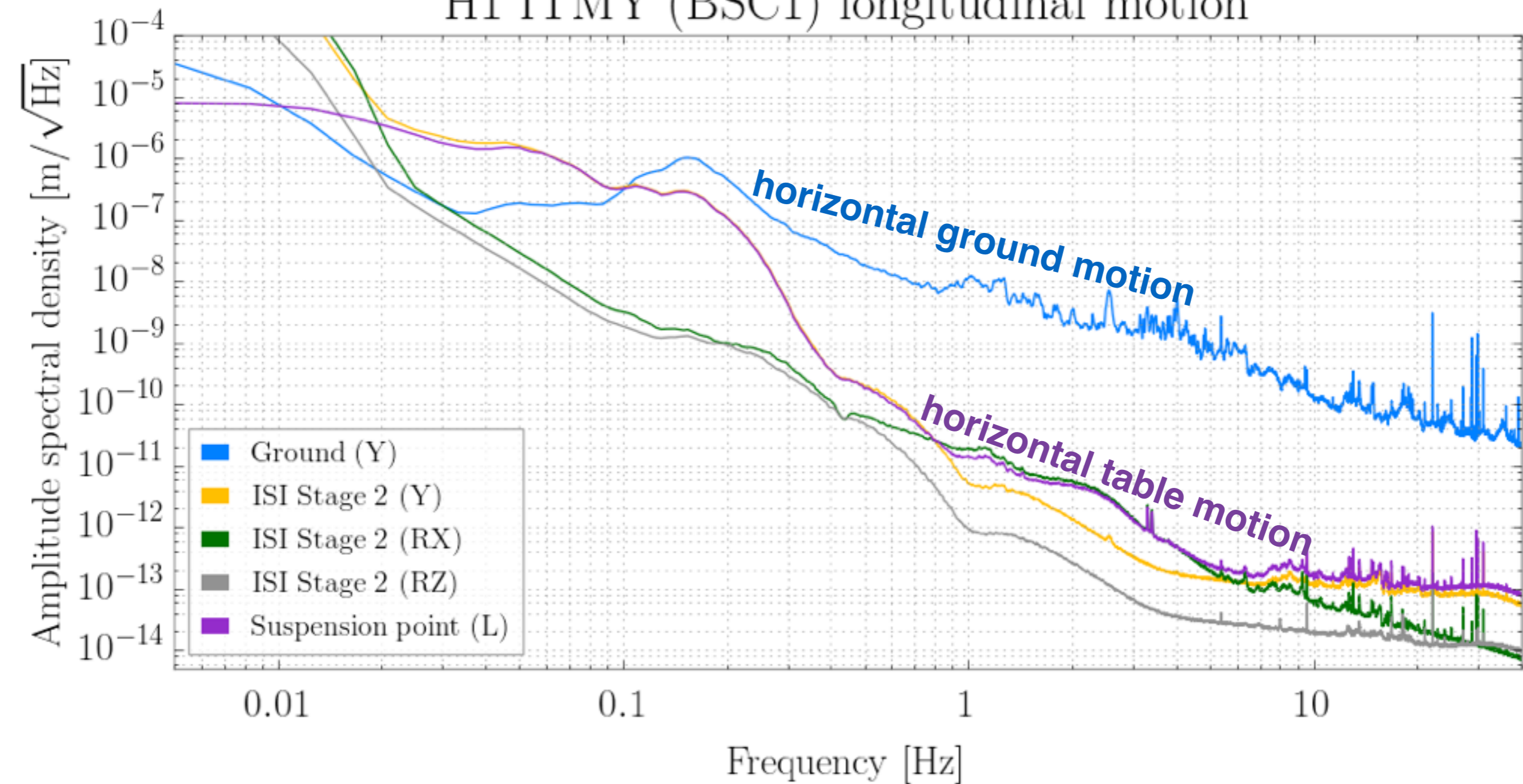


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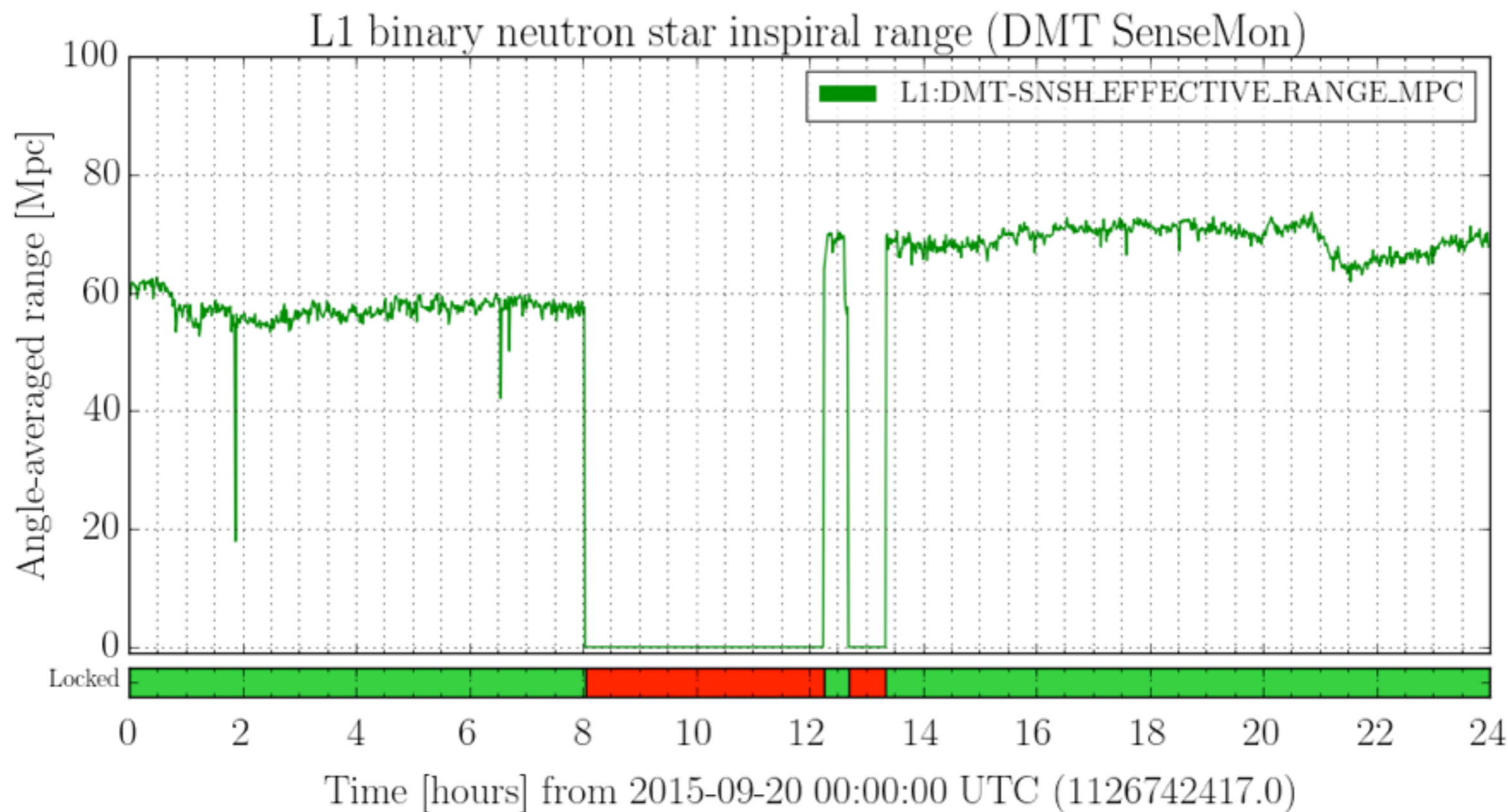
# motion of the optical table

[1175040018-1175126418, state: Isolated]

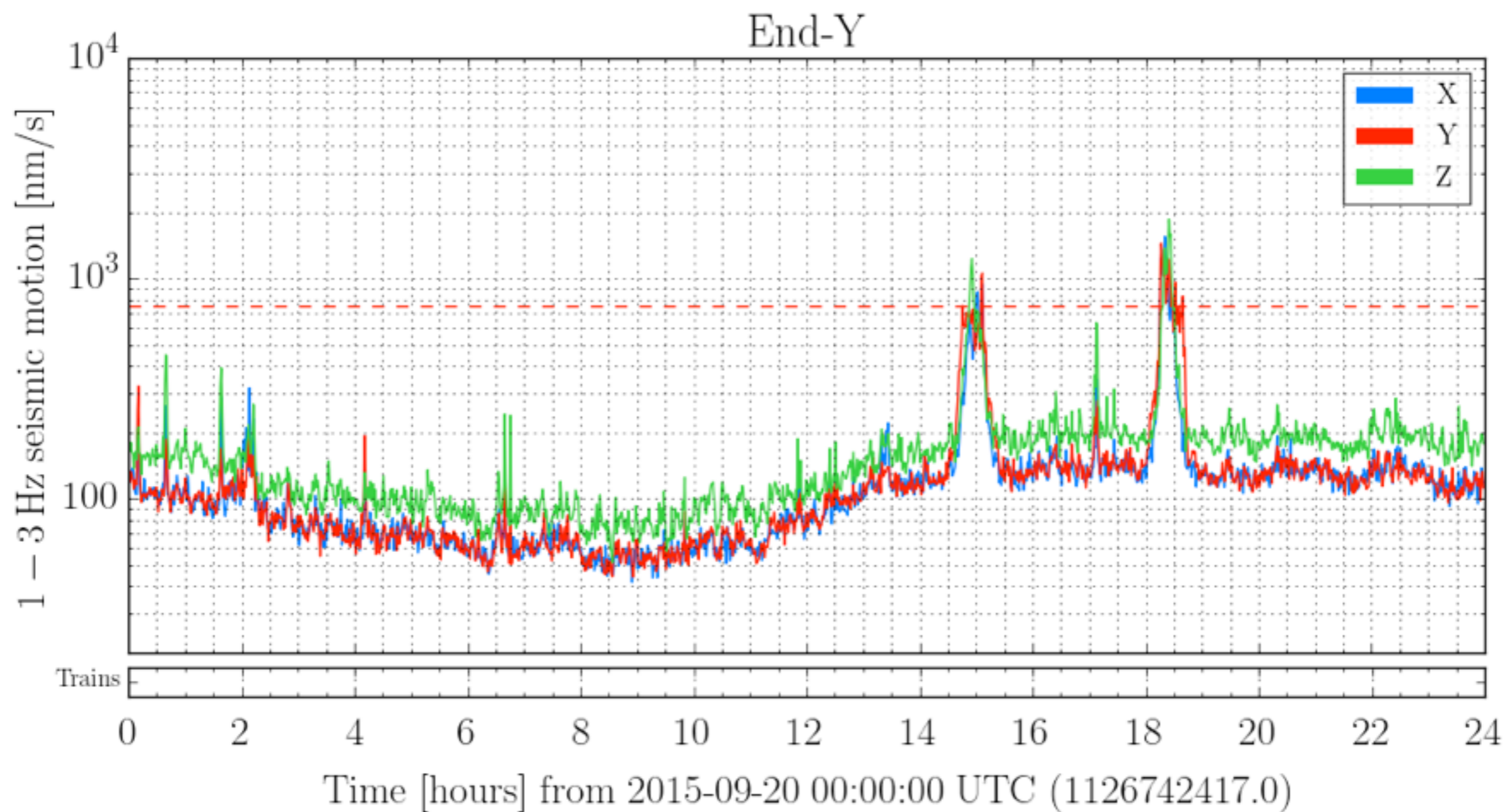
## H1 ITMY (BSC1) longitudinal motion



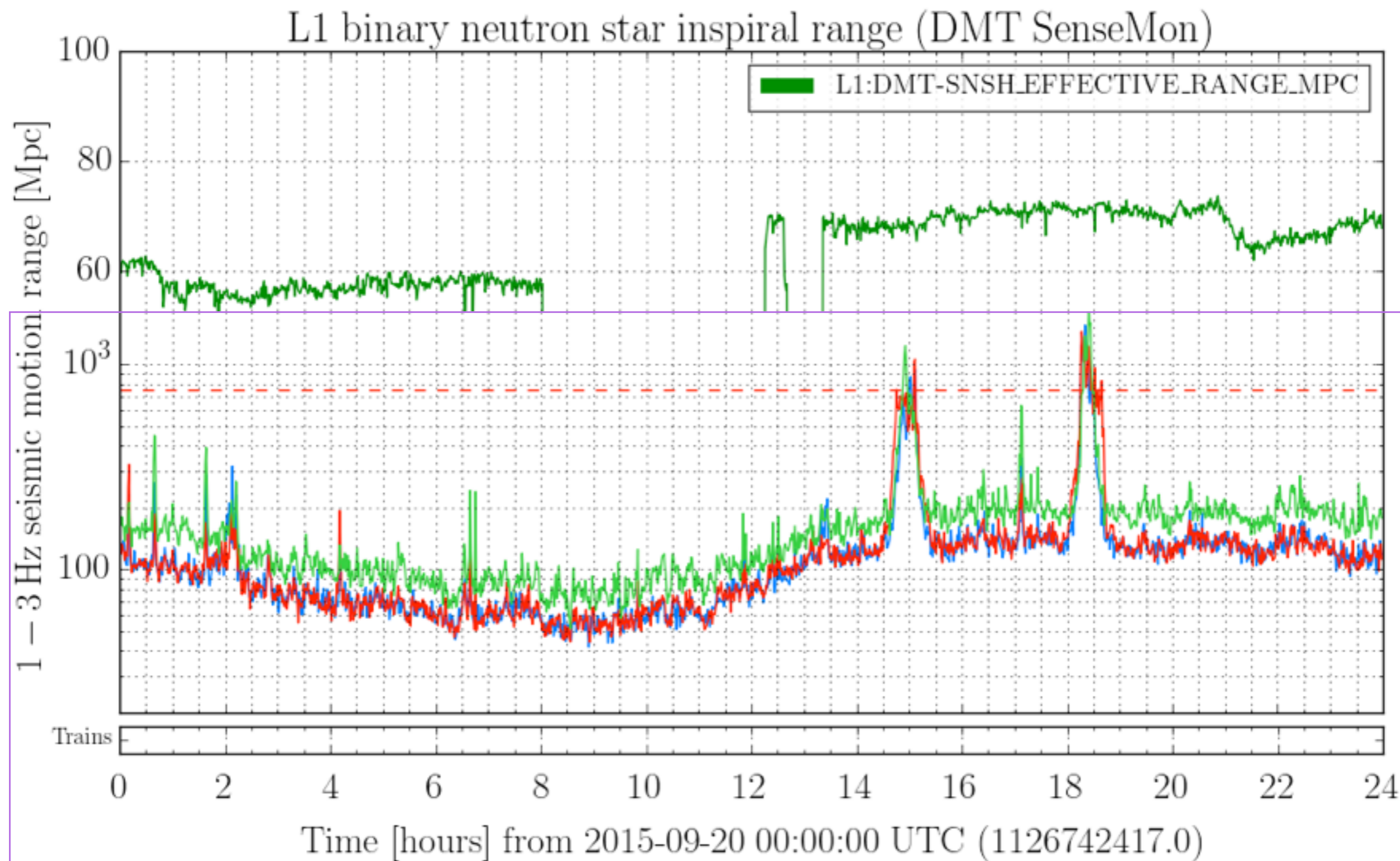
# Real impact of isolation, alignment & control



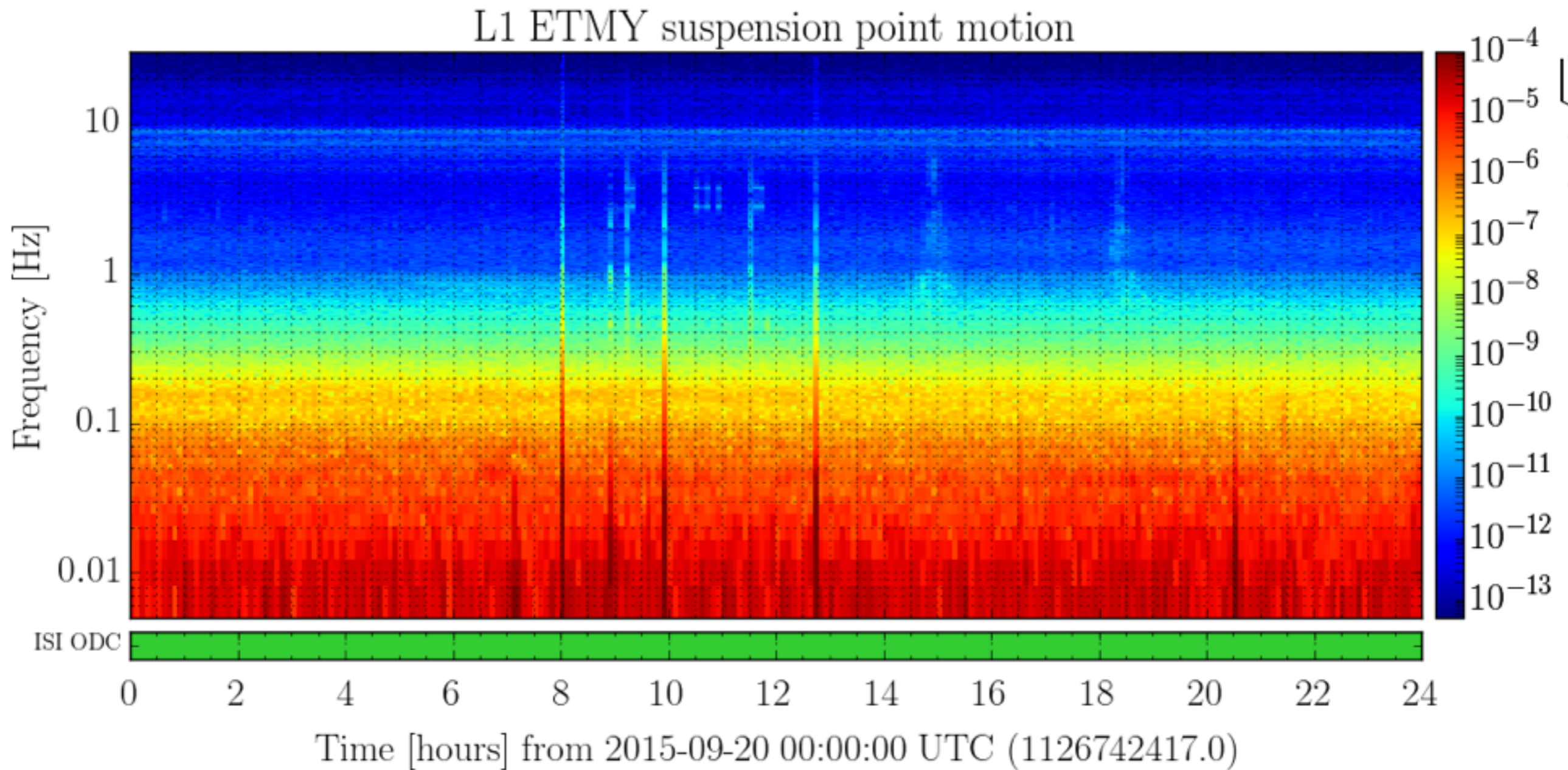
but there was a train...



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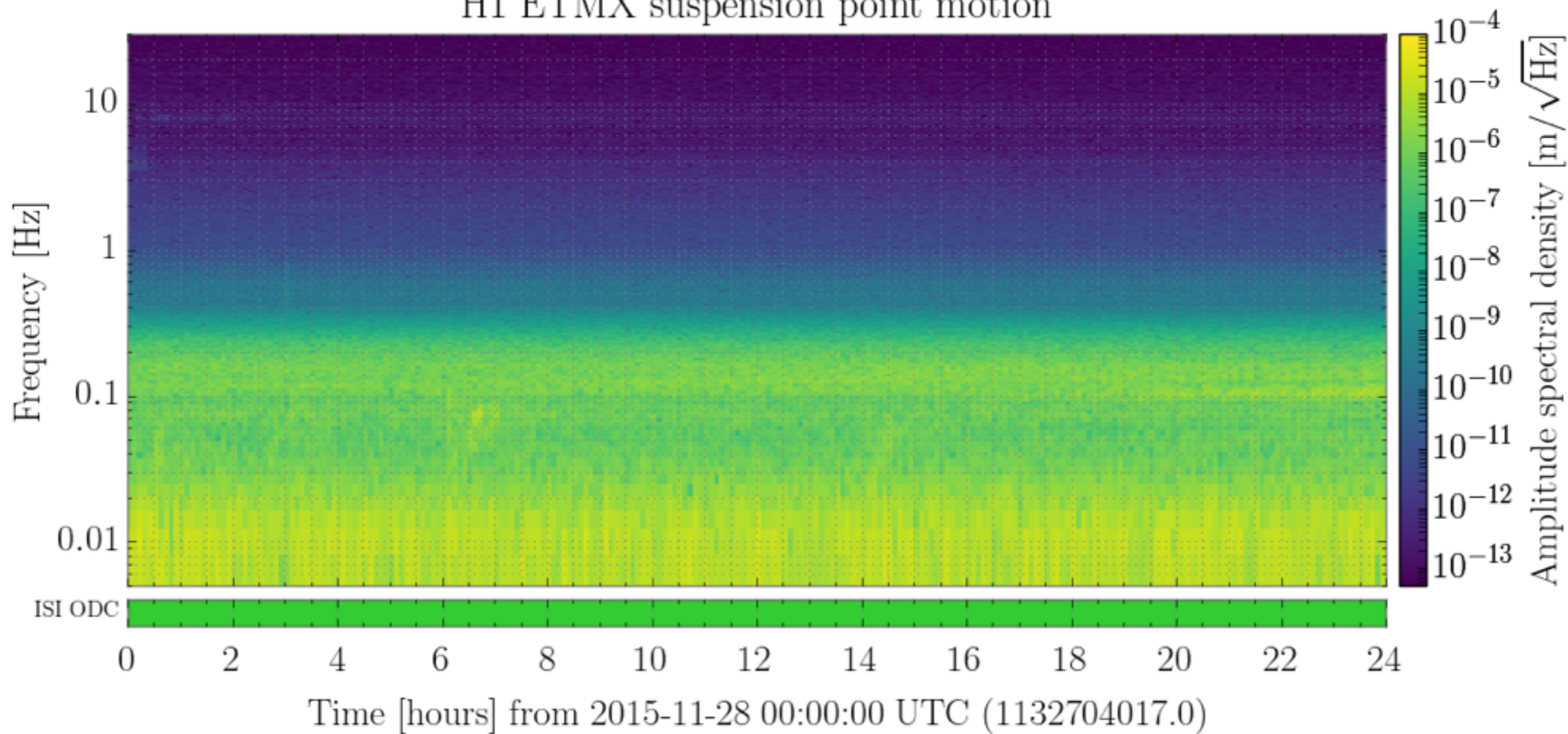


# 'Environmental' sensors



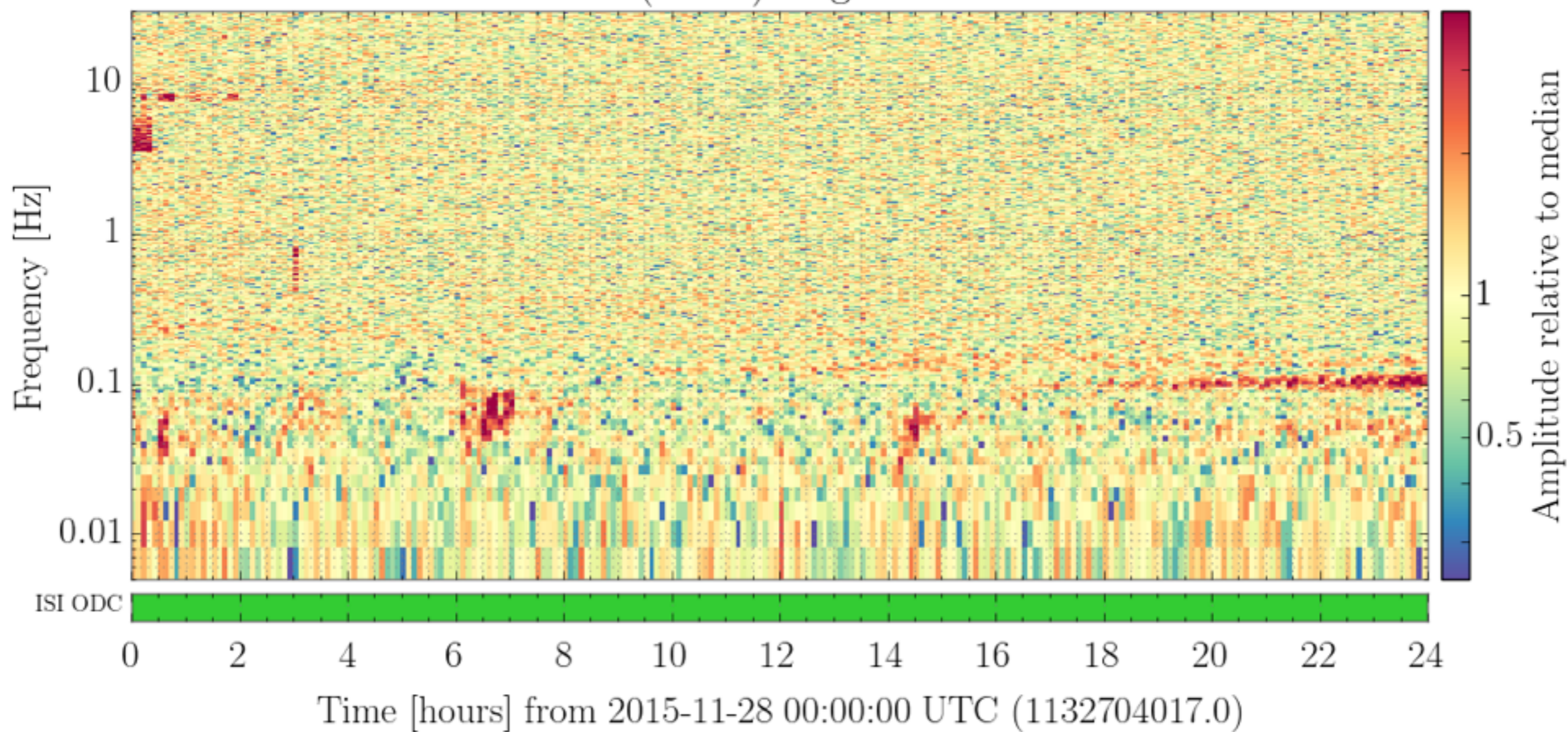
# This is what we strive for

H1 ETMX suspension point motion



# Glitch monitoring

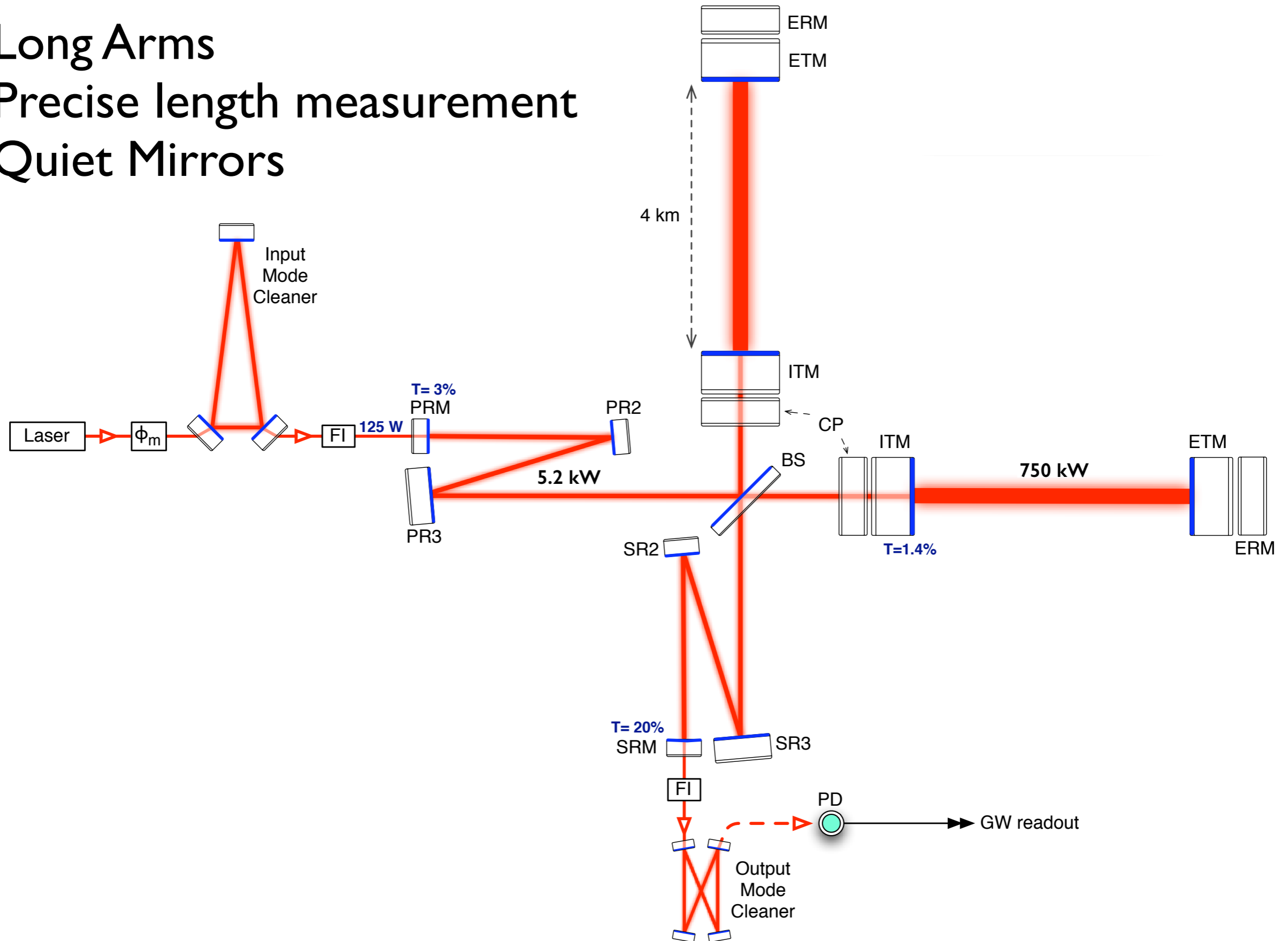
H1 ETMX (BSC9) longitudinal motion

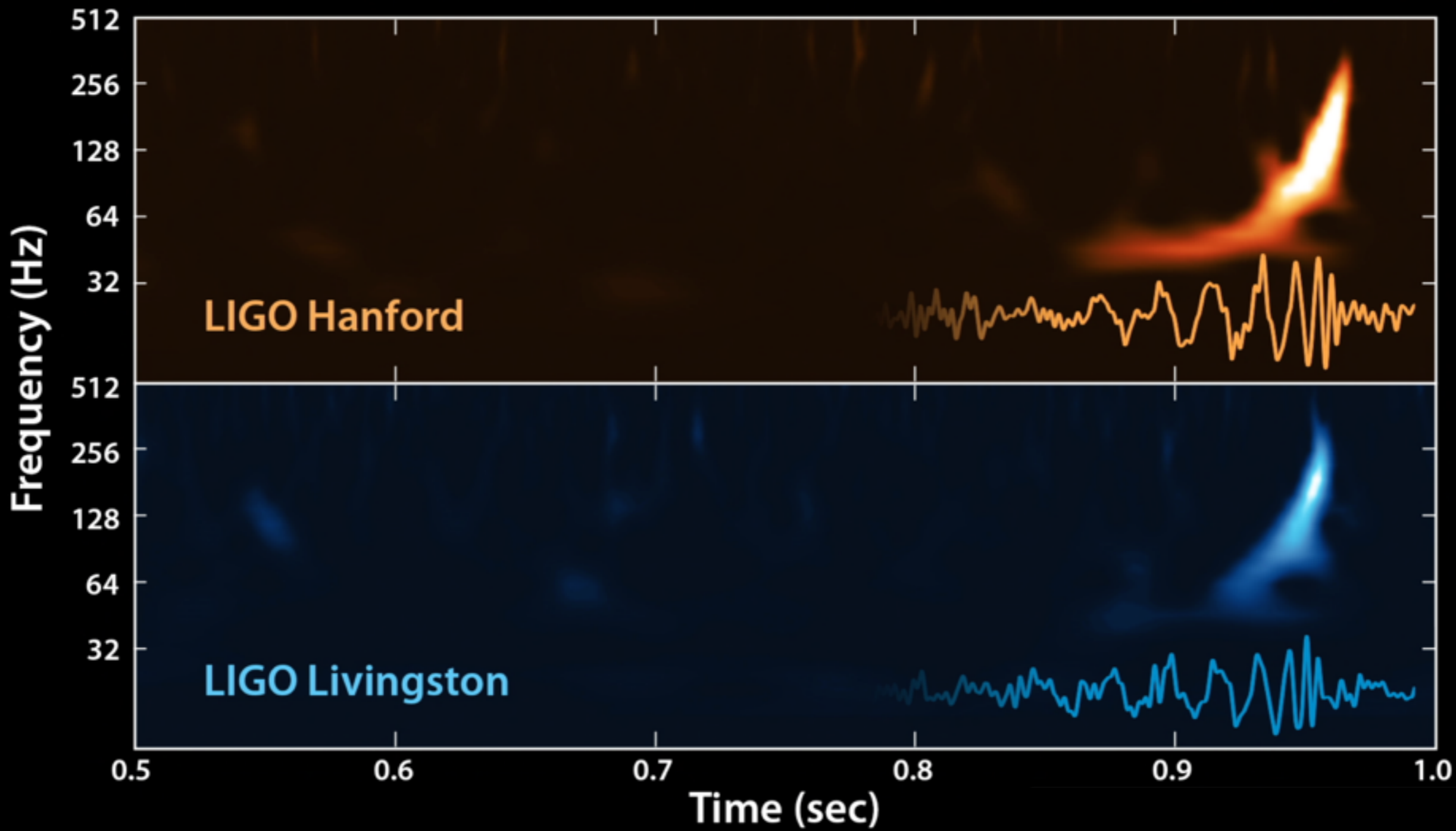


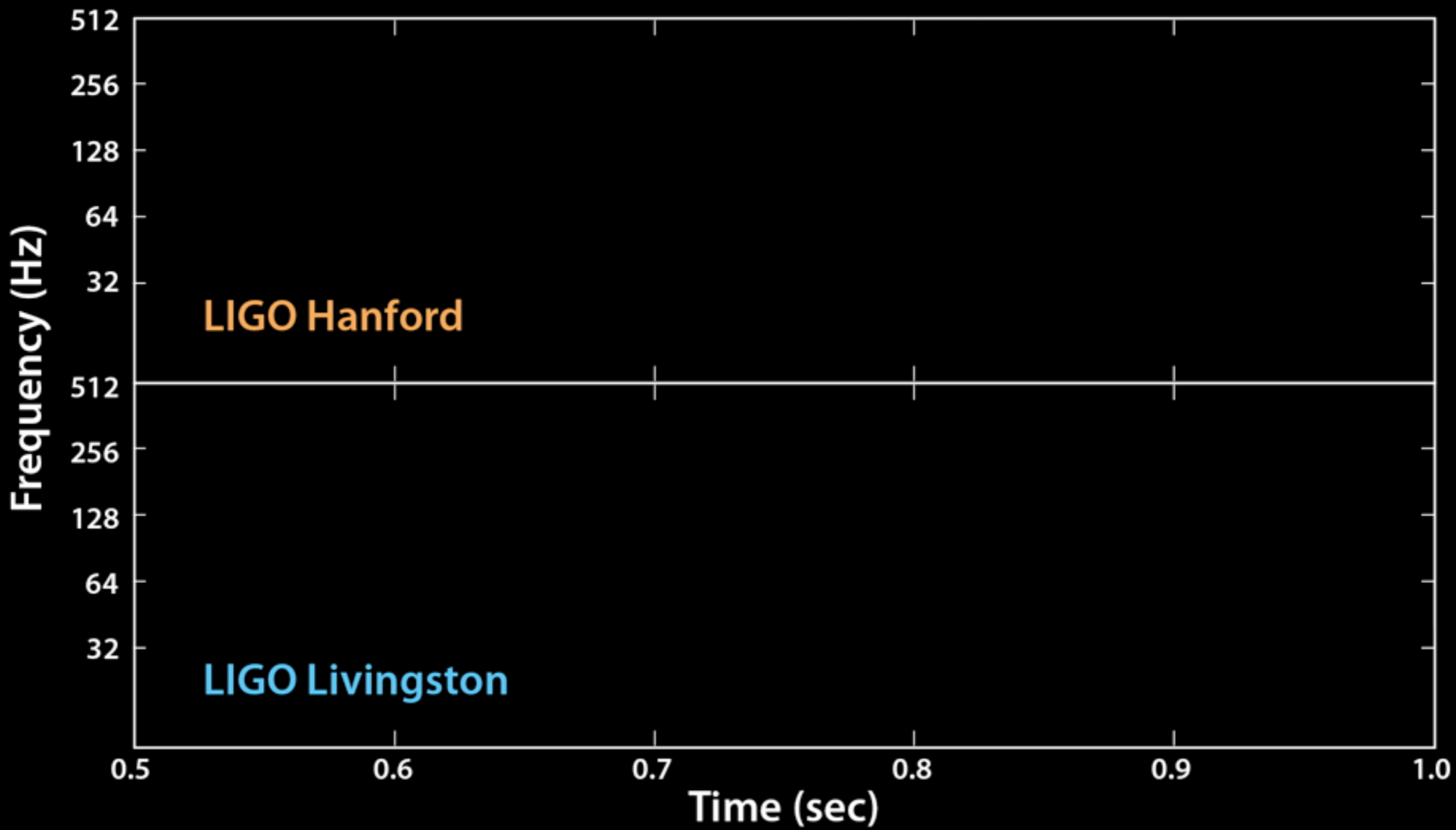


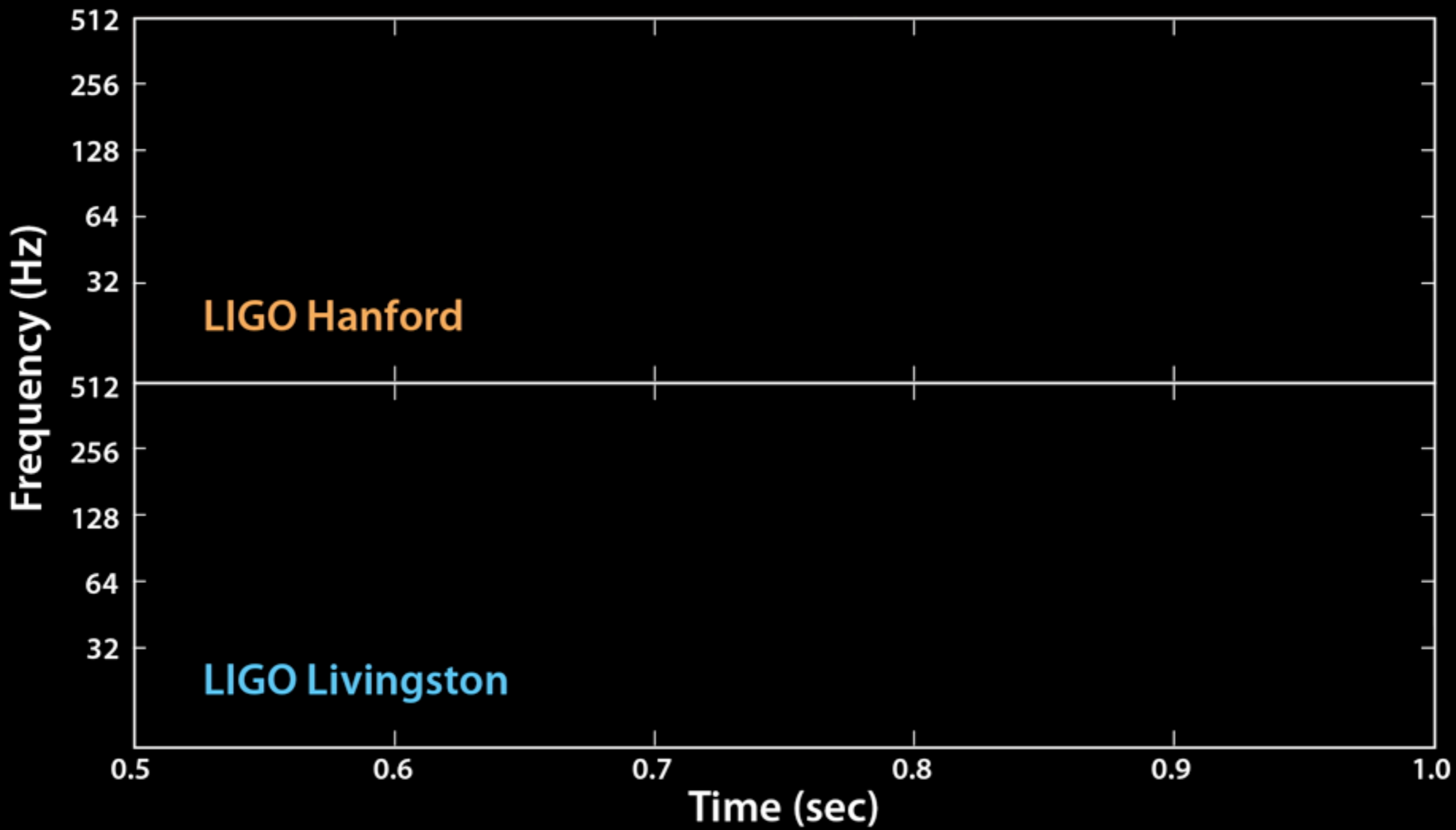
# Now we are ready...

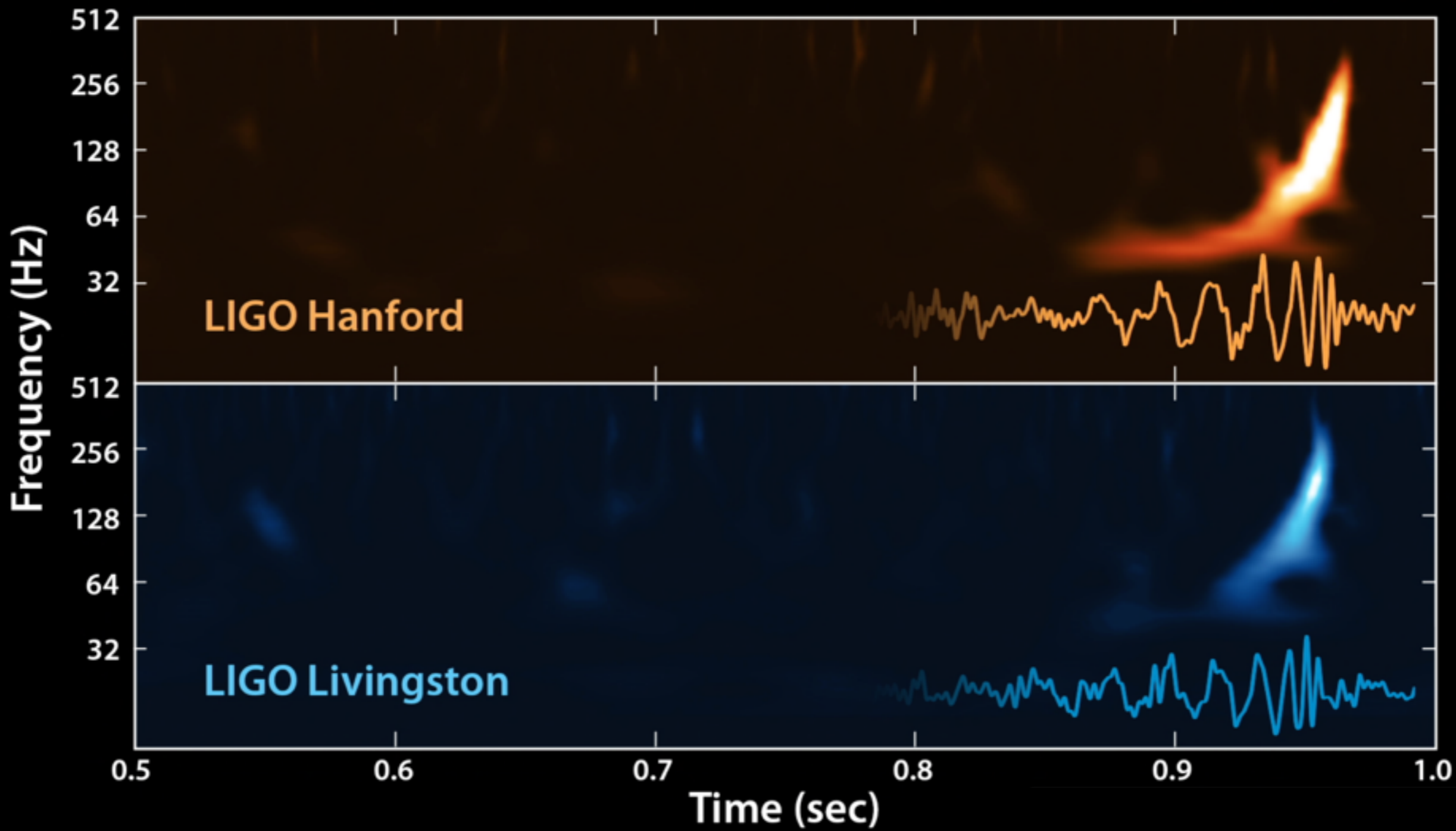
- 1) Long Arms
- 2) Precise length measurement
- 3) Quiet Mirrors



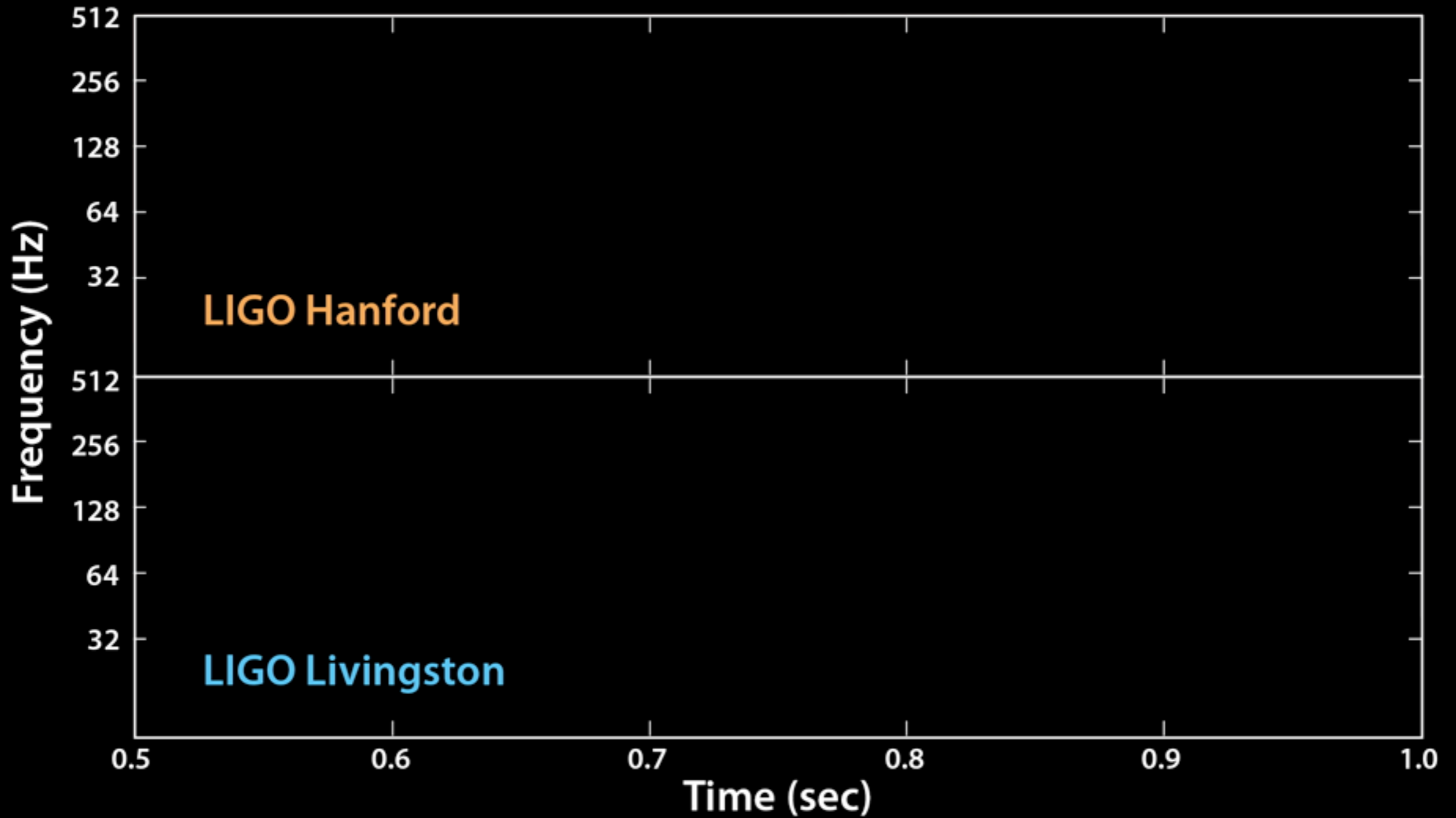




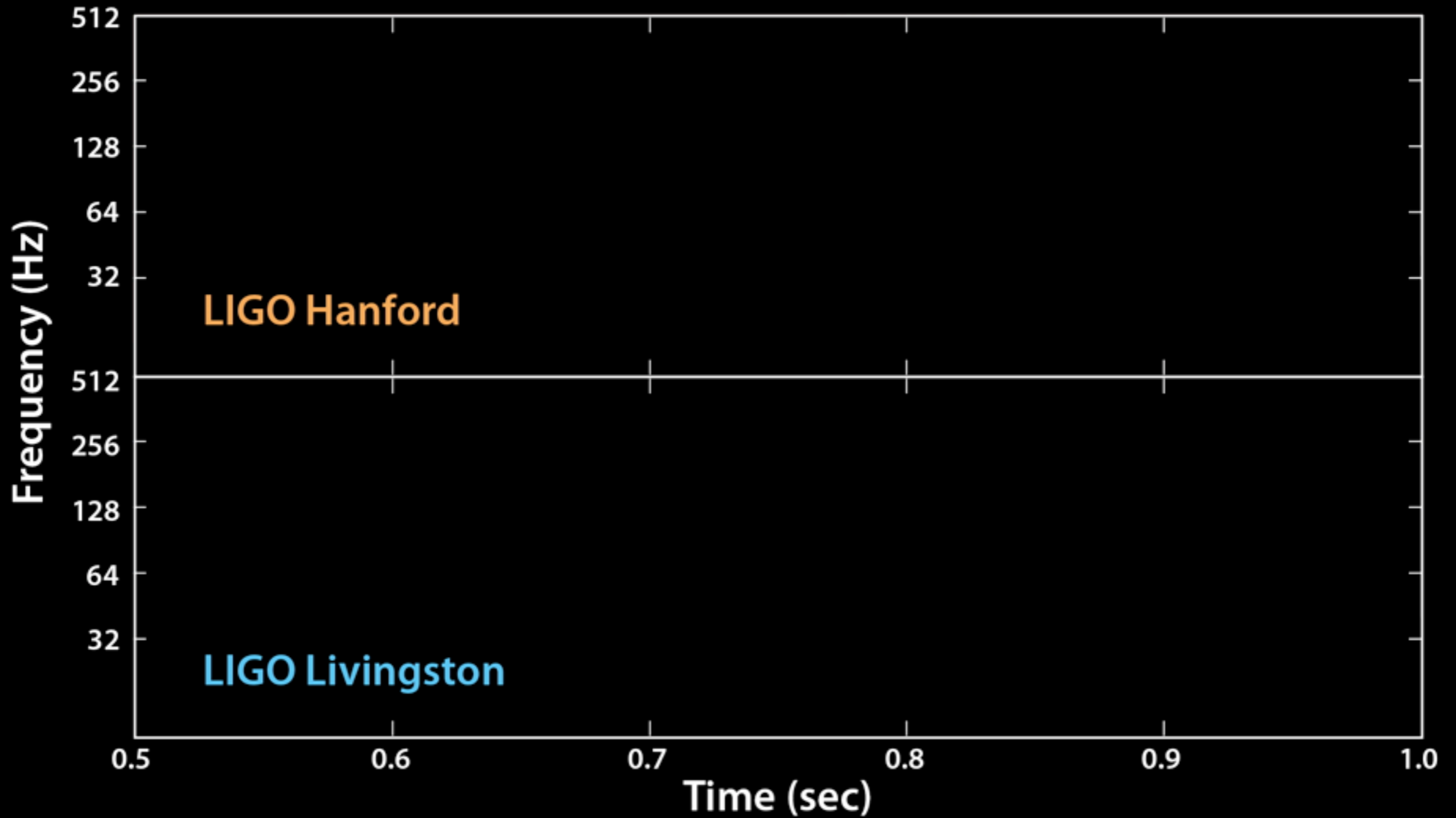




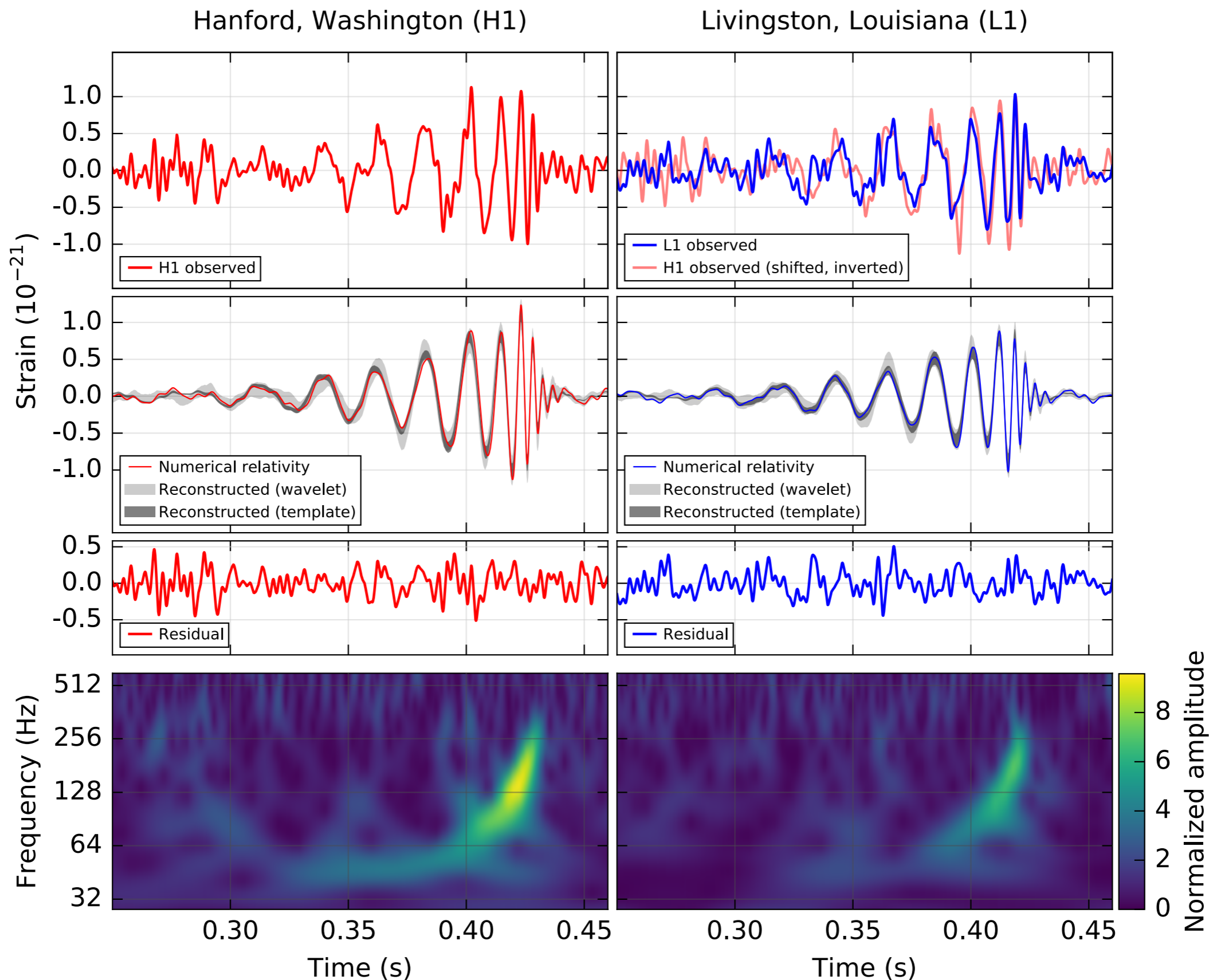
# The sound of black holes colliding



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# First signal - Sept 14, 2015





# Best fit with Numerical Relativity

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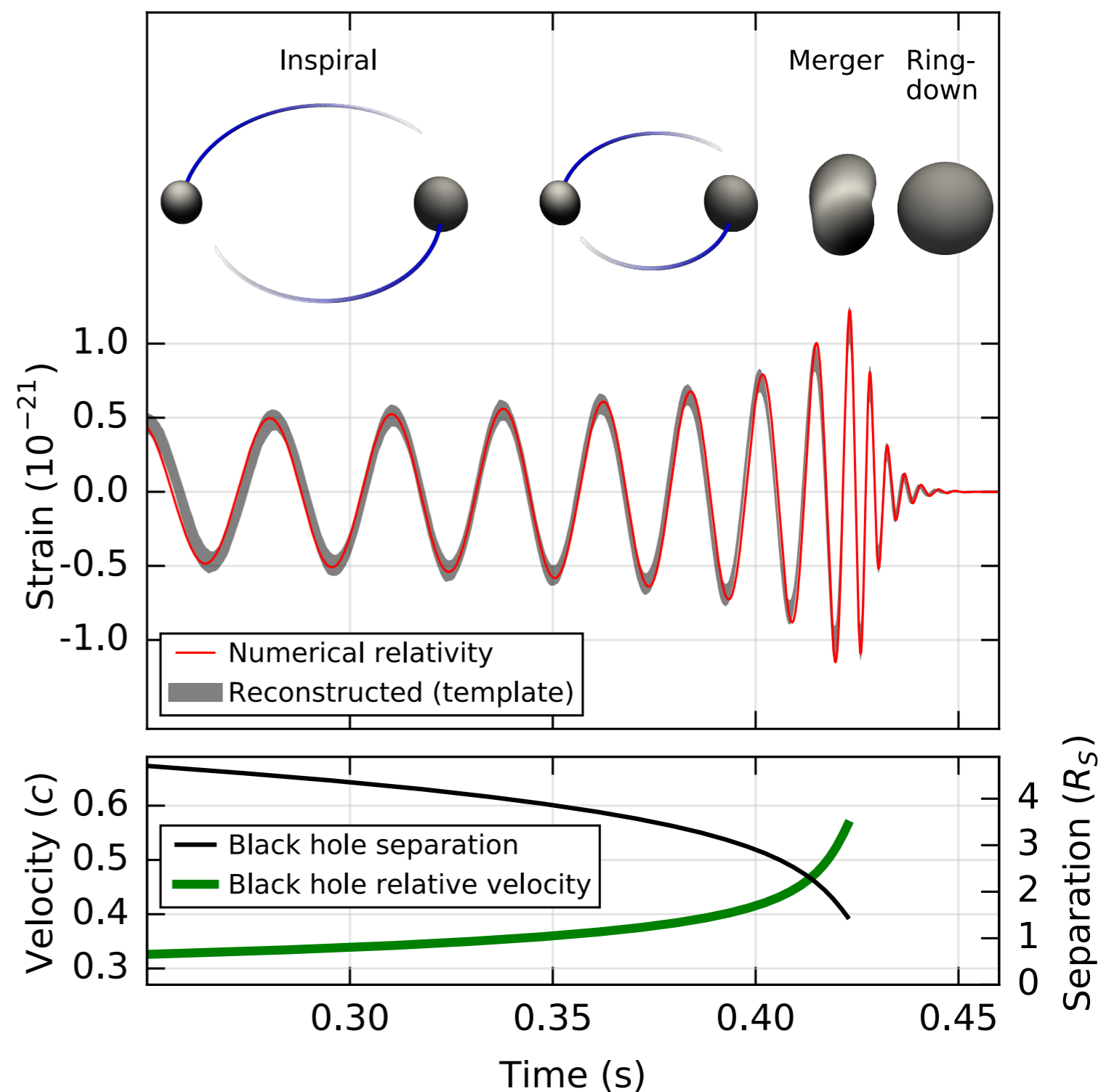
29 (+4/-4) & 36 (+5/-4)  $M_{\text{sun}}$

Final Mass:

62 (+4/-4)  $M_{\text{sun}}$

Distance

410 (+160/-180) MPc  
(1.3 Billion light years)



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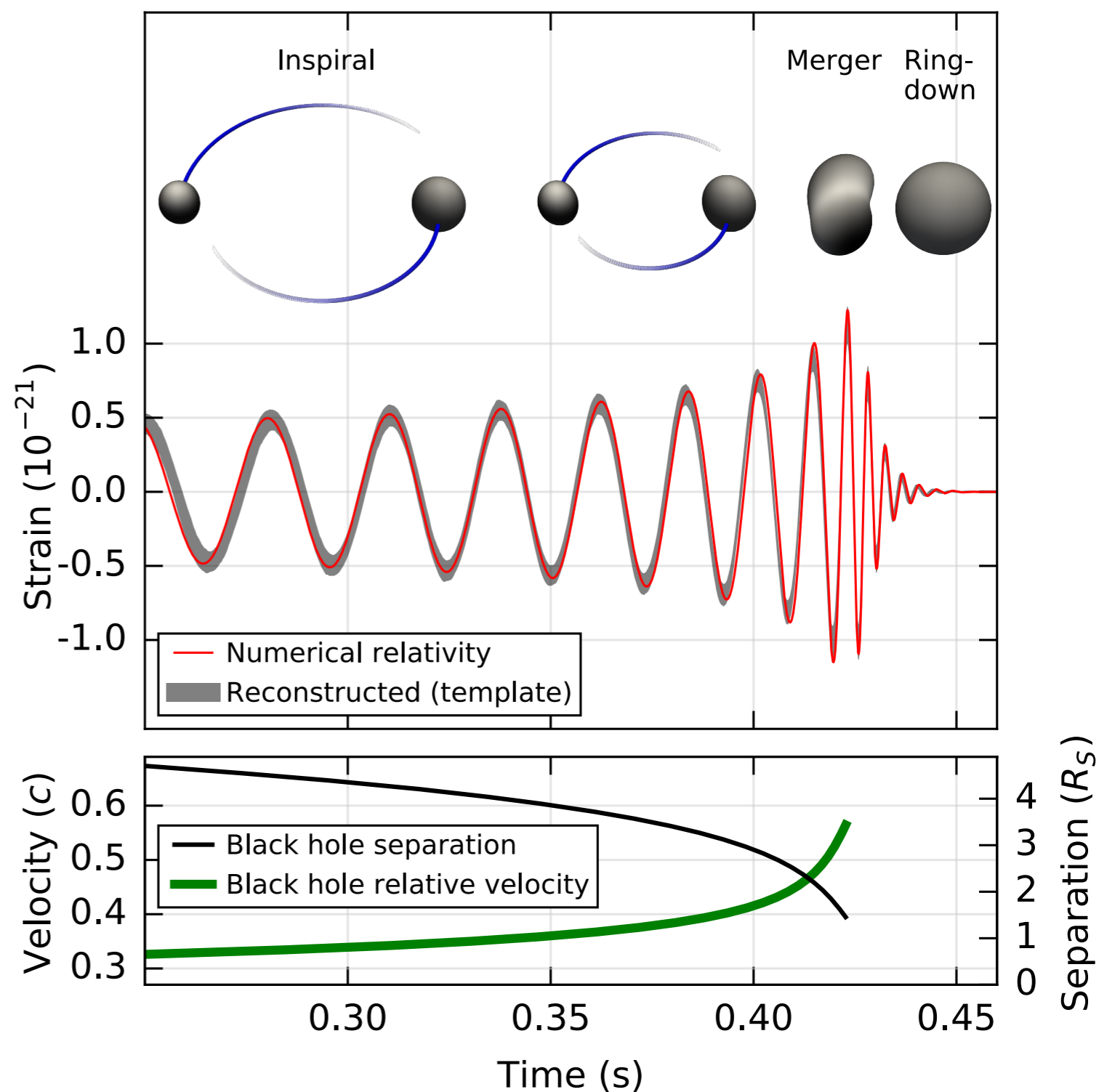
62 (+4/-4)  $M_{\text{sun}}$

Energy radiated

3 (+0.5/-0.5)  $M_{\text{sun}} c^2$

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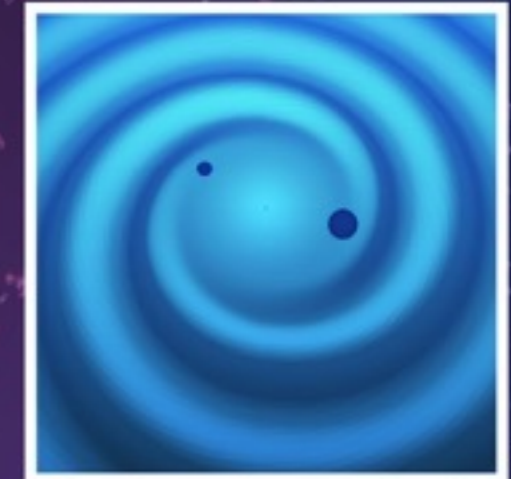
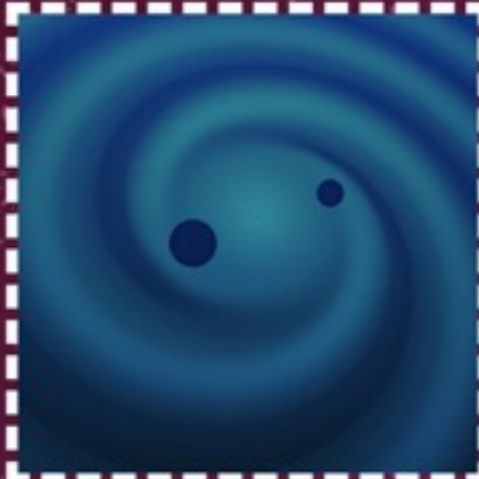


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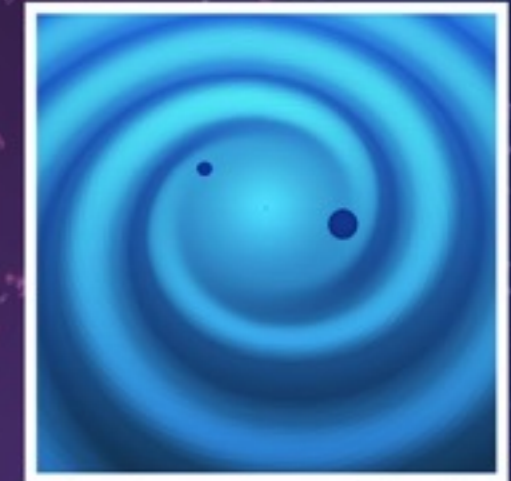
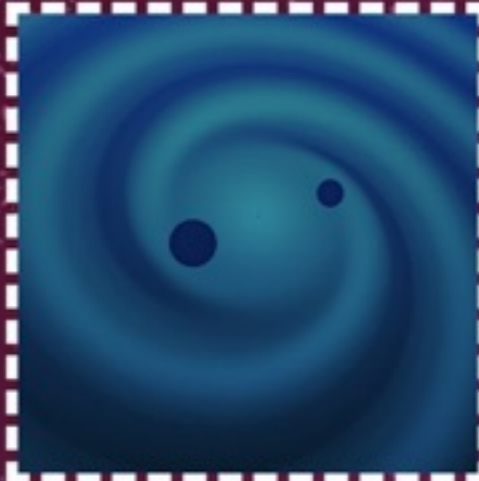
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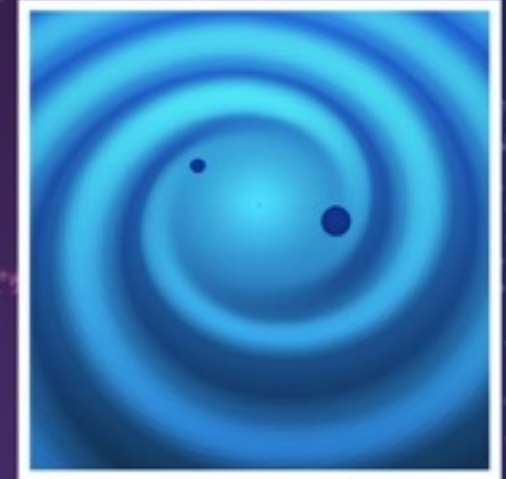
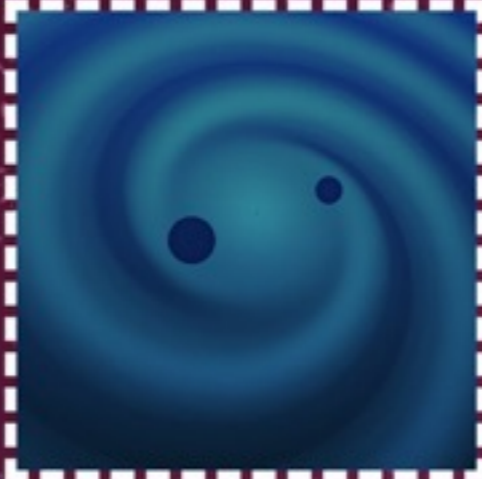
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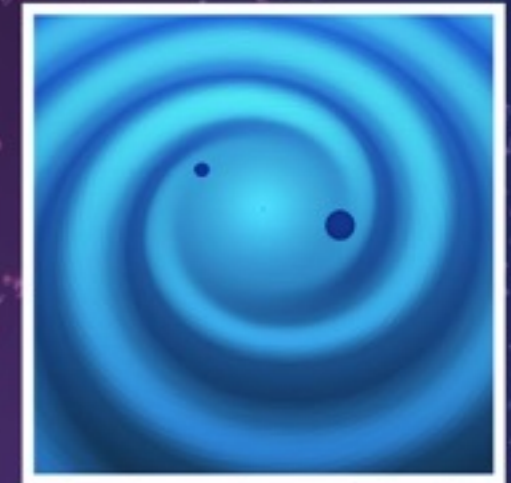
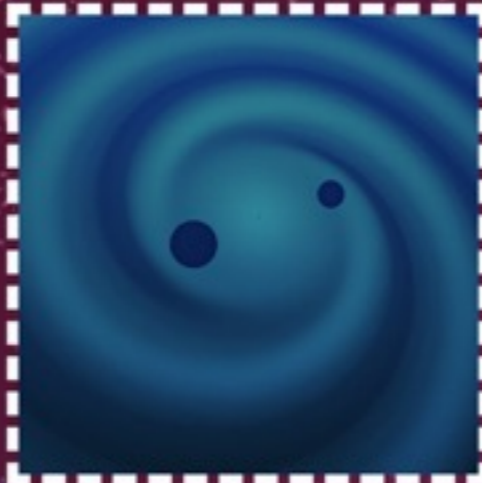
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Parameters

**First Detection**

**Maybe?**

***Importance***

**Second Detection**

$> 5.3 \sigma$

$1.7 \sigma$

***Significance***

$> 5.3 \sigma$

$29_{-4}^{+4} / 36_{-4}^{+5} M_{\odot}$

$23_{-6}^{+18} / 13_{-5}^{+4} M_{\odot}$

***Original masses***

$14_{-4}^{+8} / 7.5_{-2}^{+2} M_{\odot}$

$62_{-4}^{+4} M_{\odot}$

$35_{-4}^{+14} M_{\odot}$

***Final mass***

$21_{-2}^{+6} M_{\odot}$

$3.0_{-0.5}^{+0.5} M_{\odot} c^2$

$1.5_{-0.4}^{+0.3} M_{\odot} c^2$

***energy radiated***

$1.0_{-0.2}^{+0.1} M_{\odot} c^2$

1.3 billion light years

3.3 GLy

***distance***

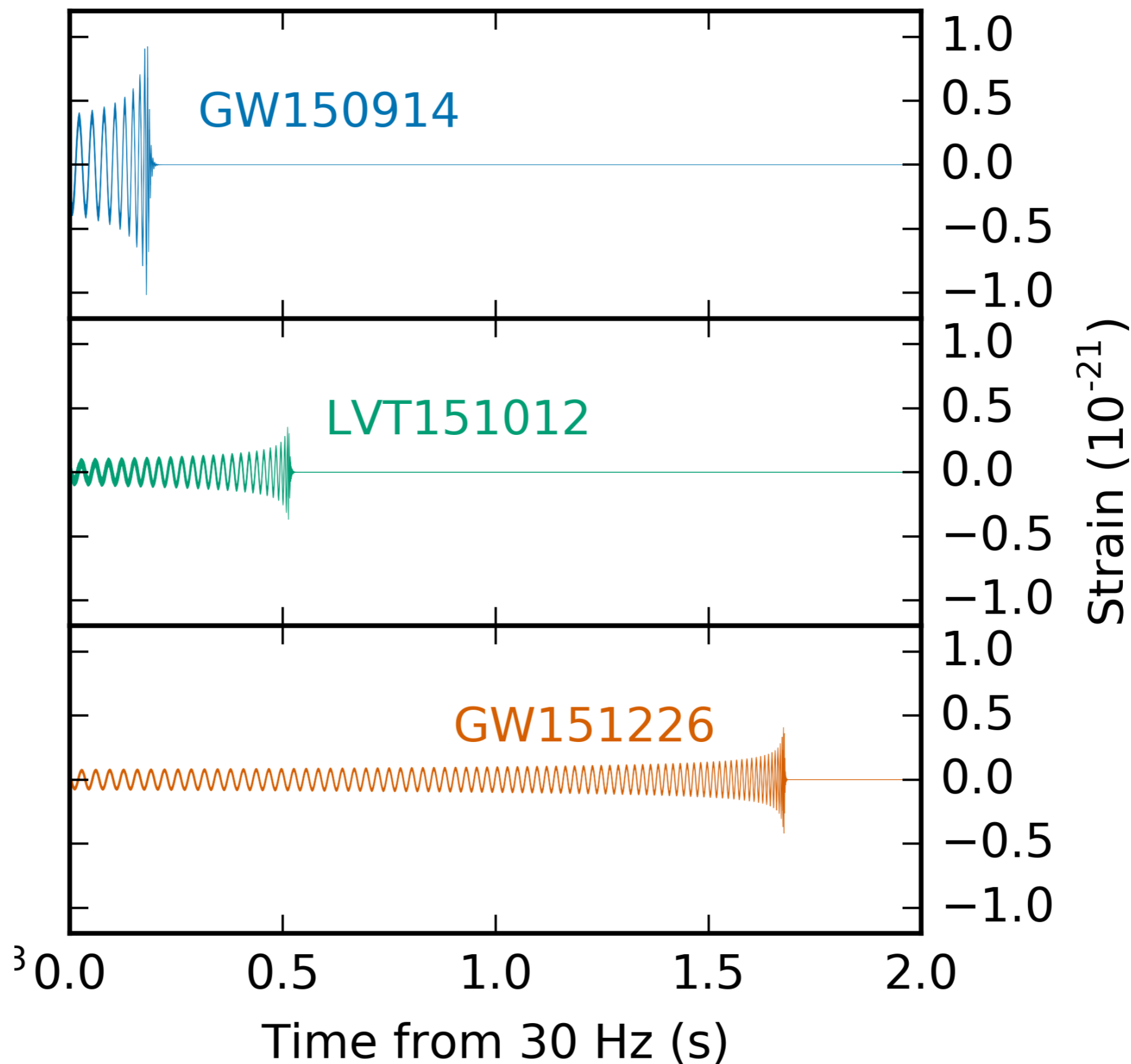
1.4 GLy

$420_{-180}^{+150} \text{MPC}$

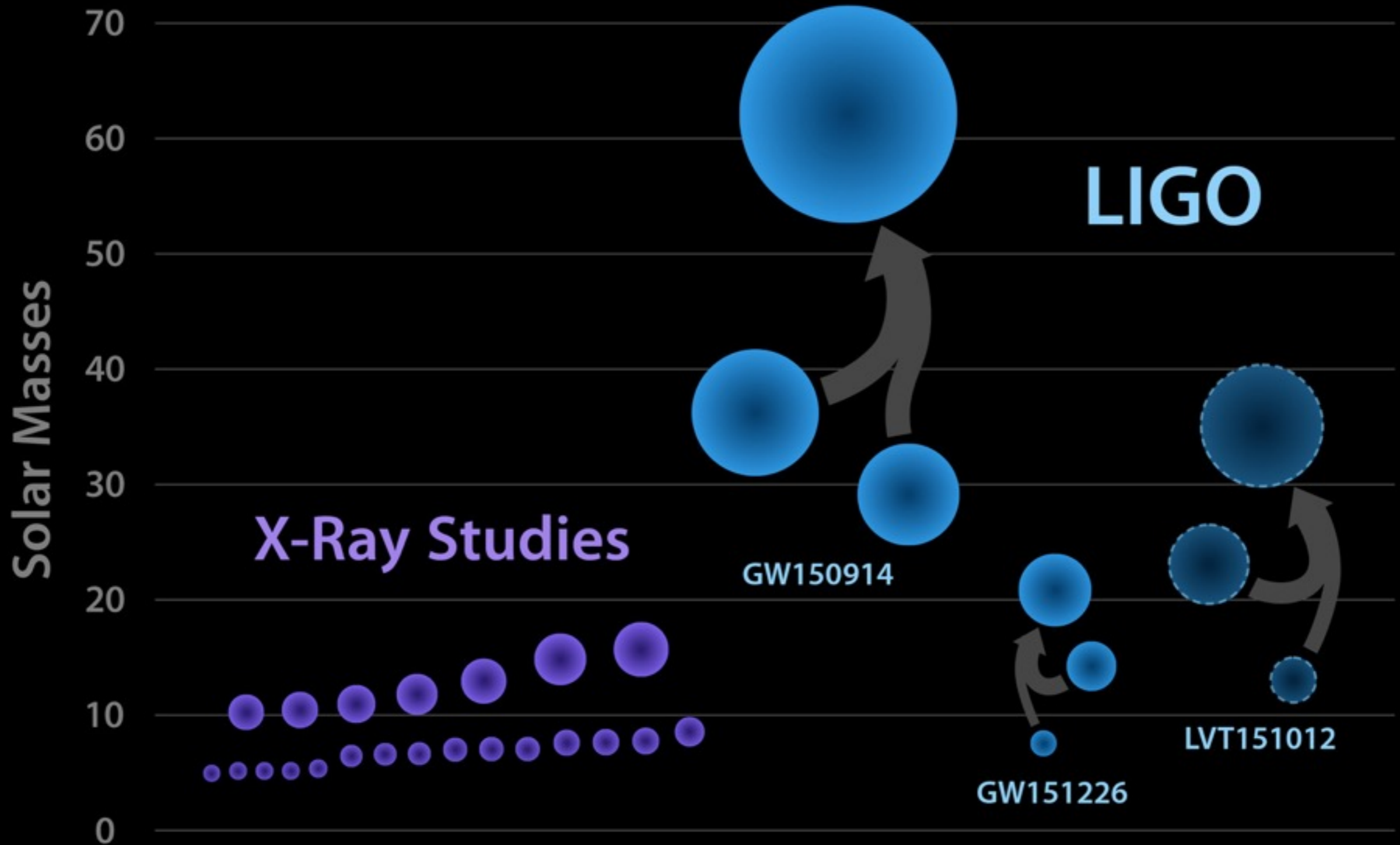
$1000_{-500}^{+500} \text{MPC}$

$440_{-190}^{+180} \text{MPC}$

# Comparison signals



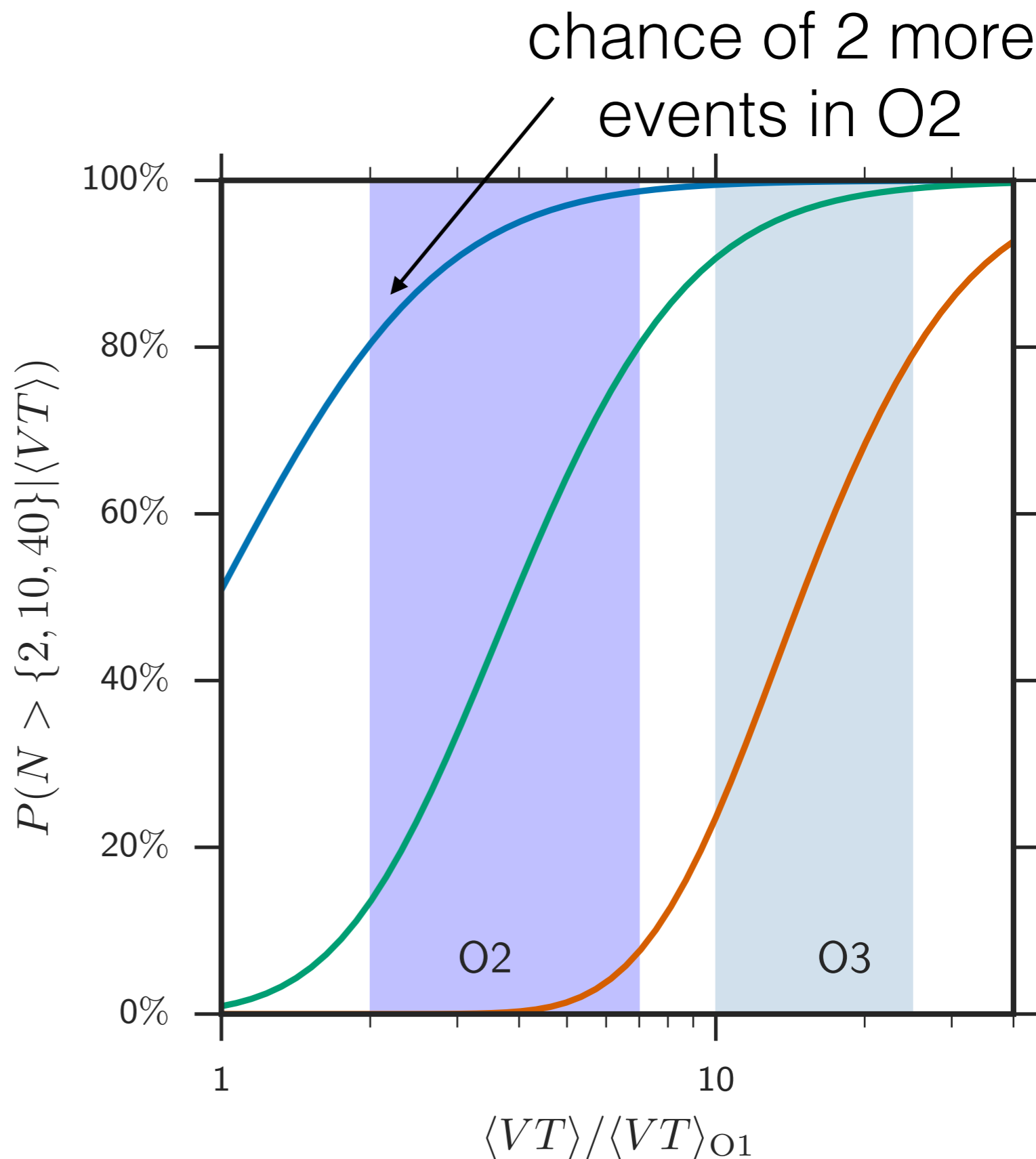
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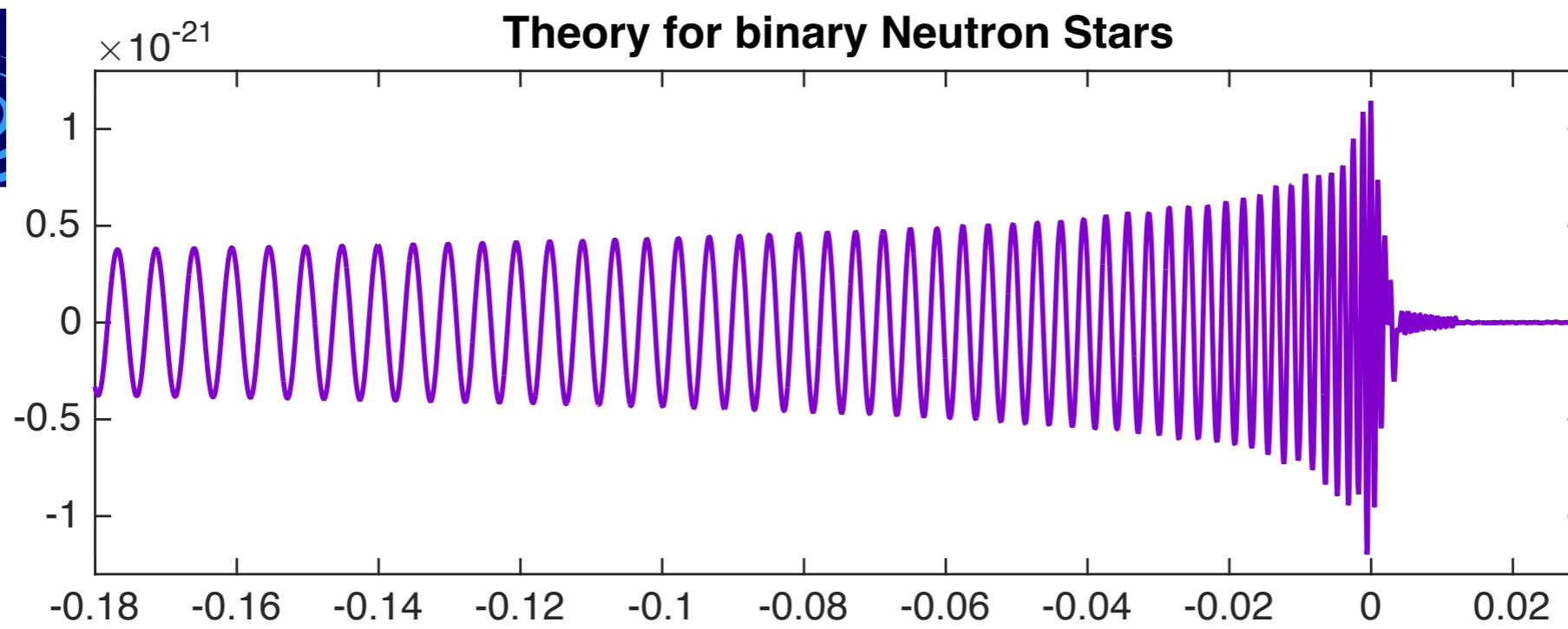




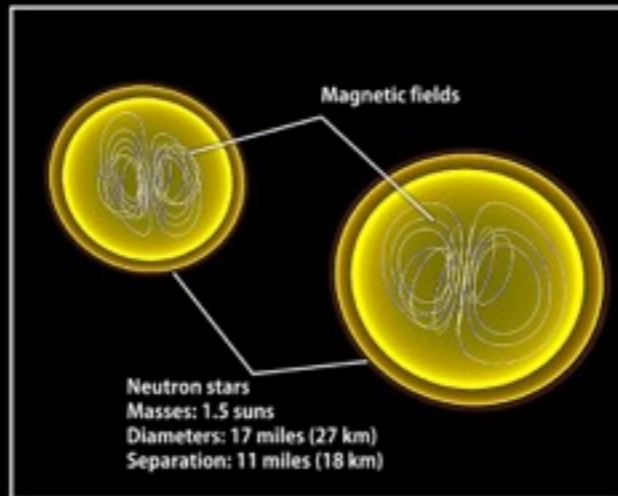
# What is next?

- Observing run #2 started Nov. 30 runs ~ 6 months
- Slightly better performance
- VIRGO plans to join in ~April
- Hope to see several more black holes
- O3 will probably start in early 2018...
- Looking for other sources

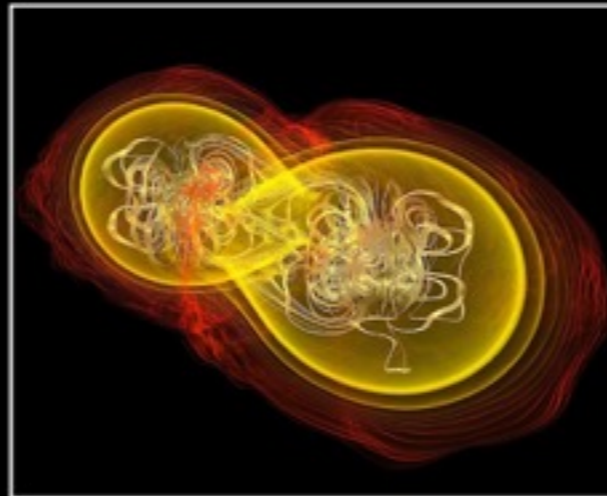




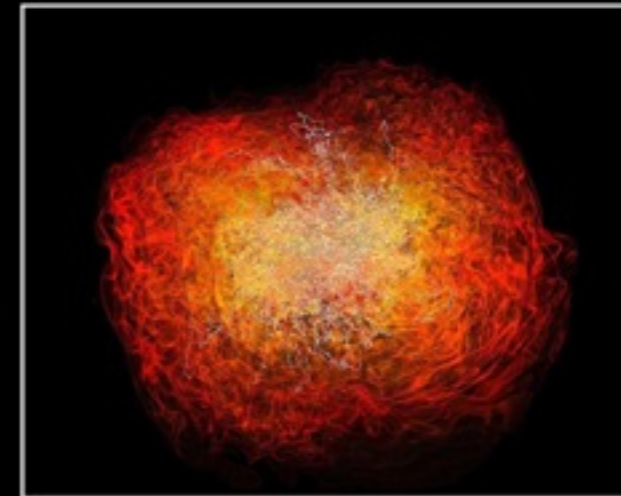
## Crashing neutron stars can make gamma-ray burst jets



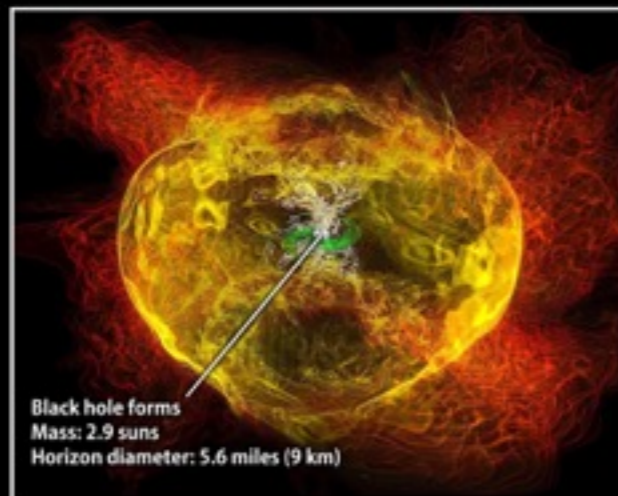
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7.4 milliseconds



13.8 milliseconds



15.3 milliseconds



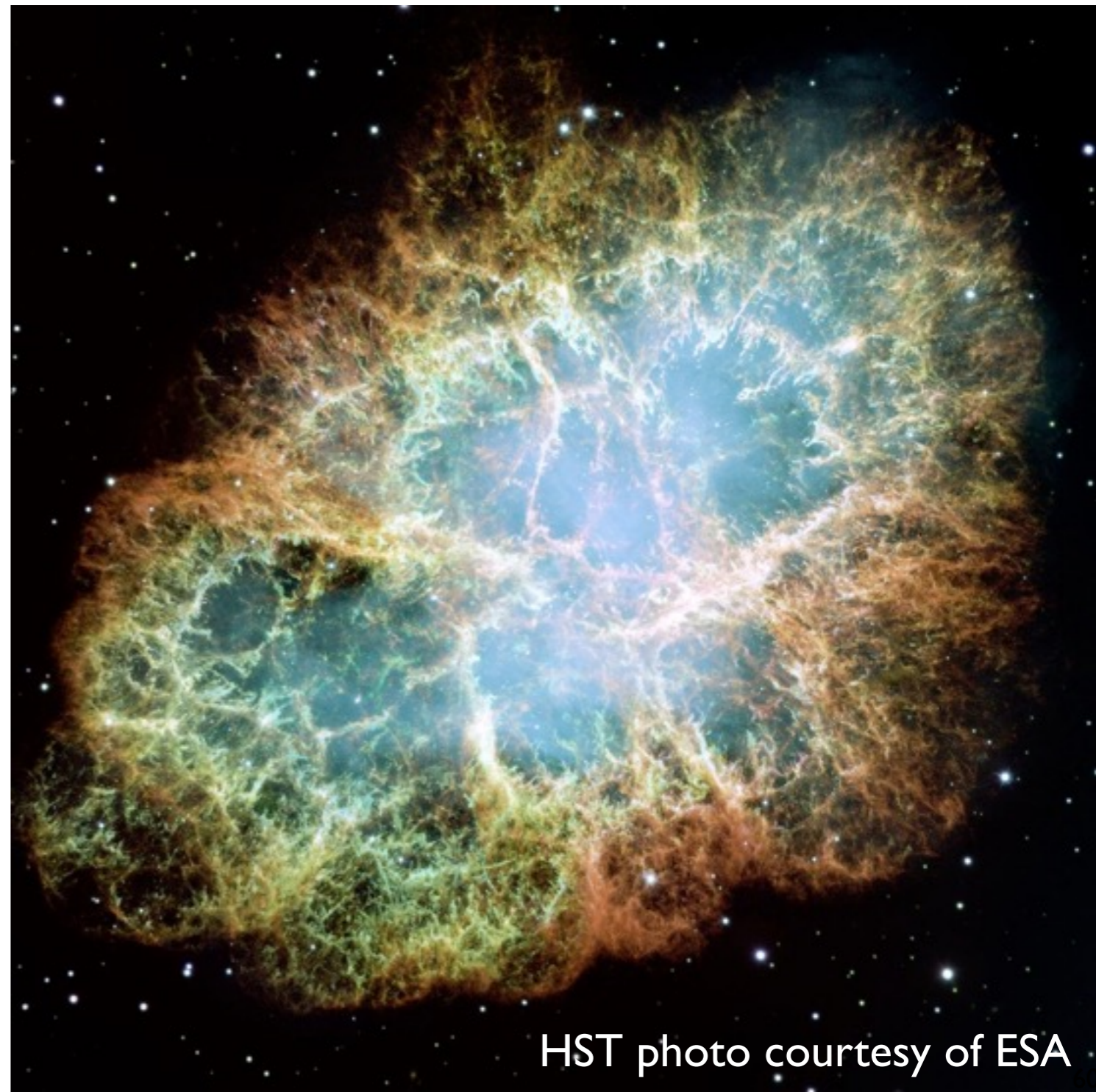
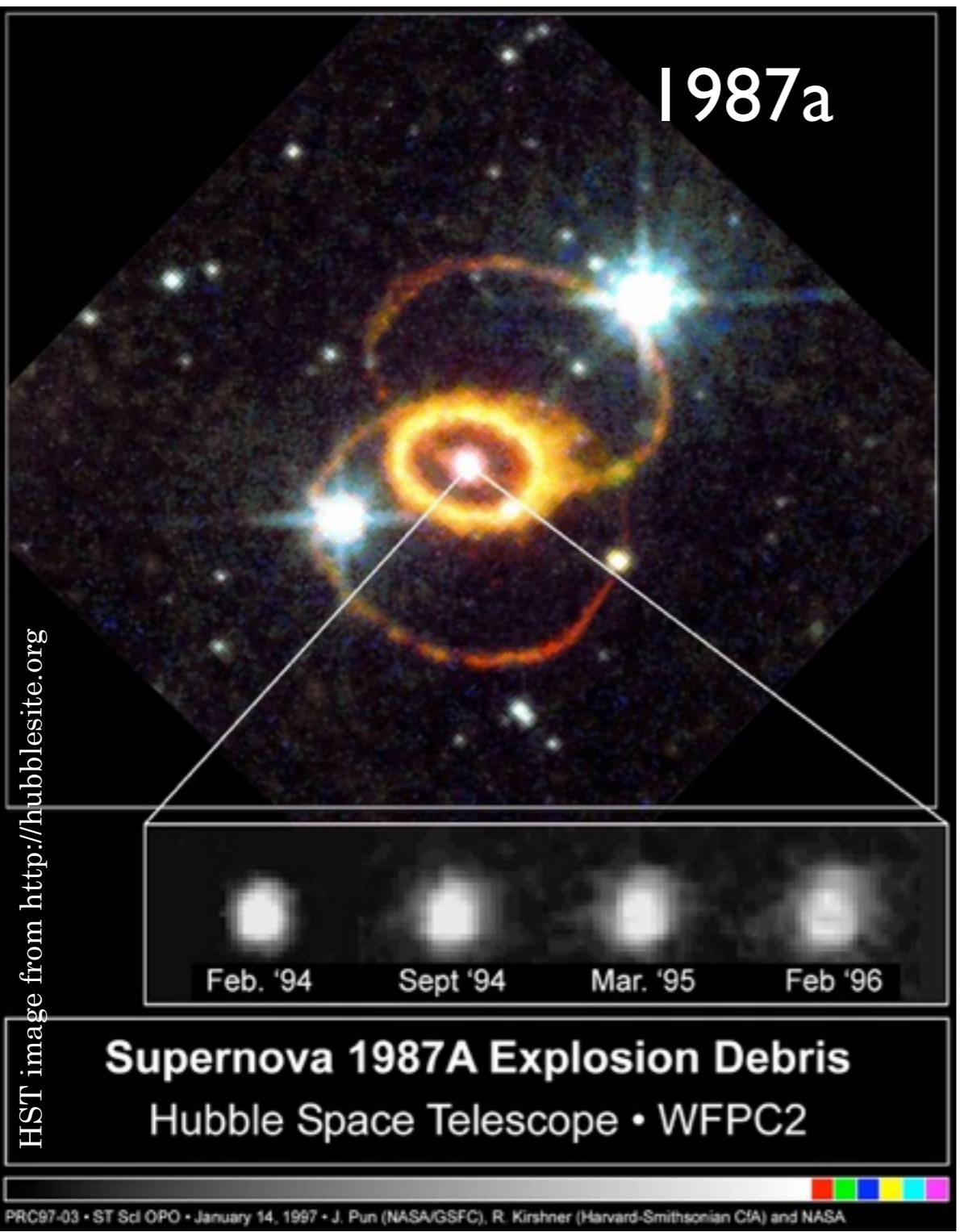
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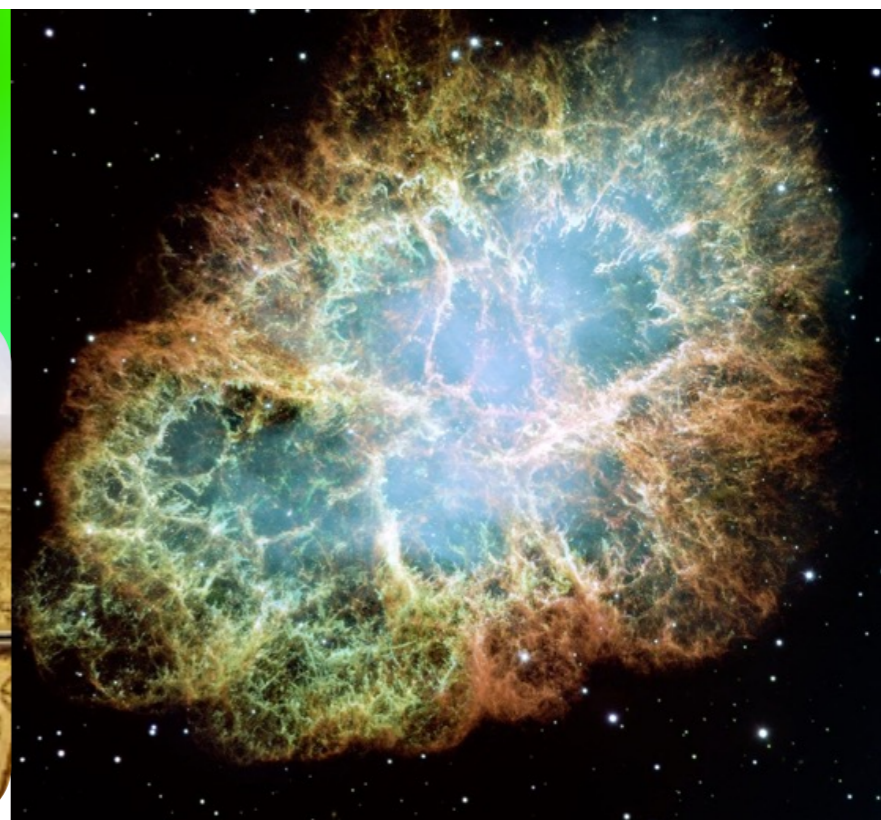
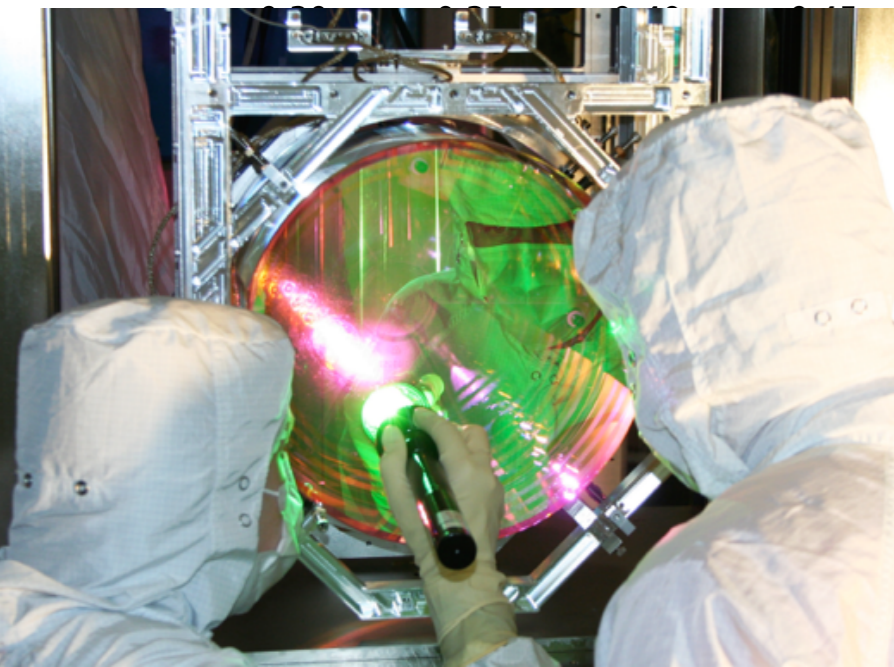
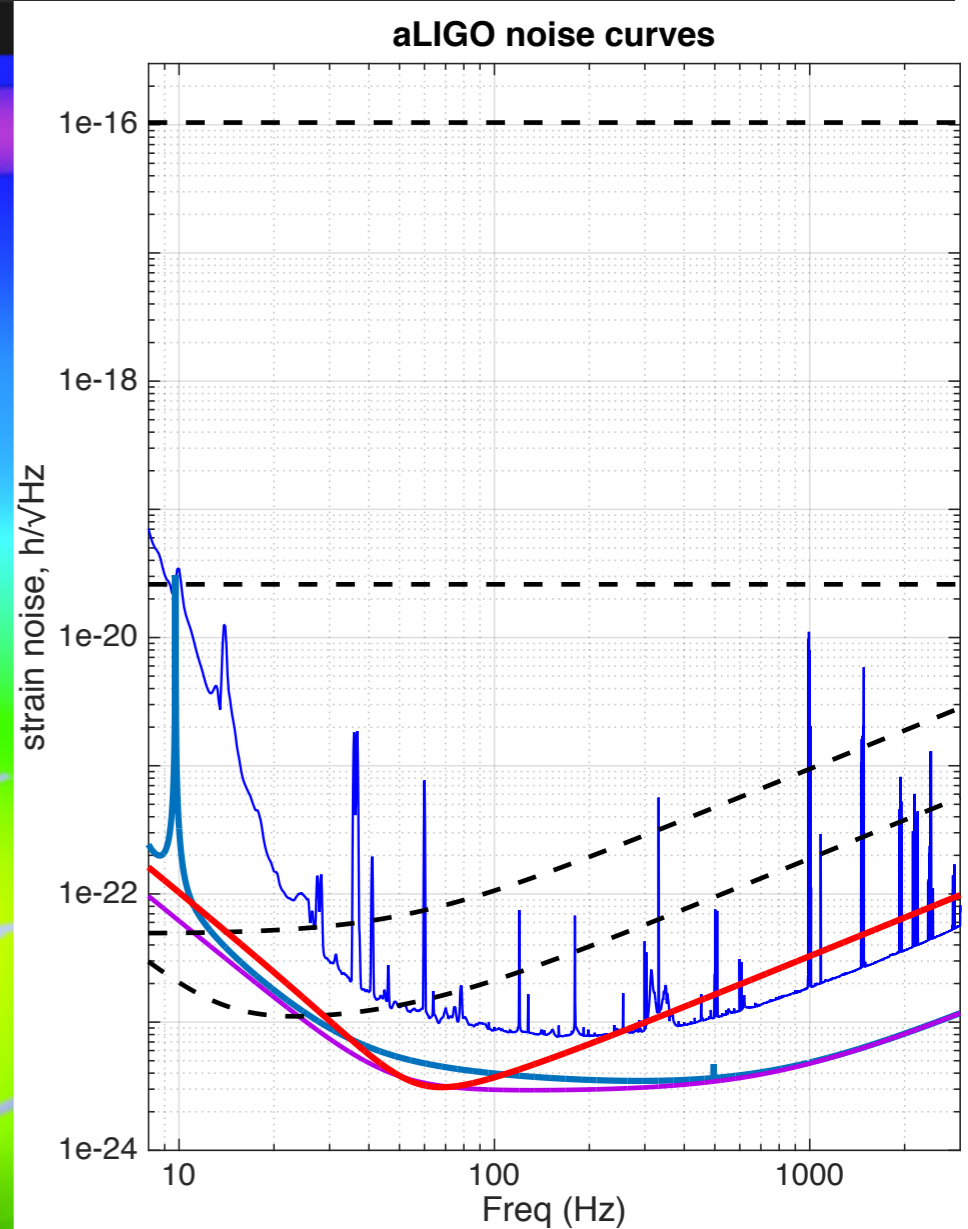
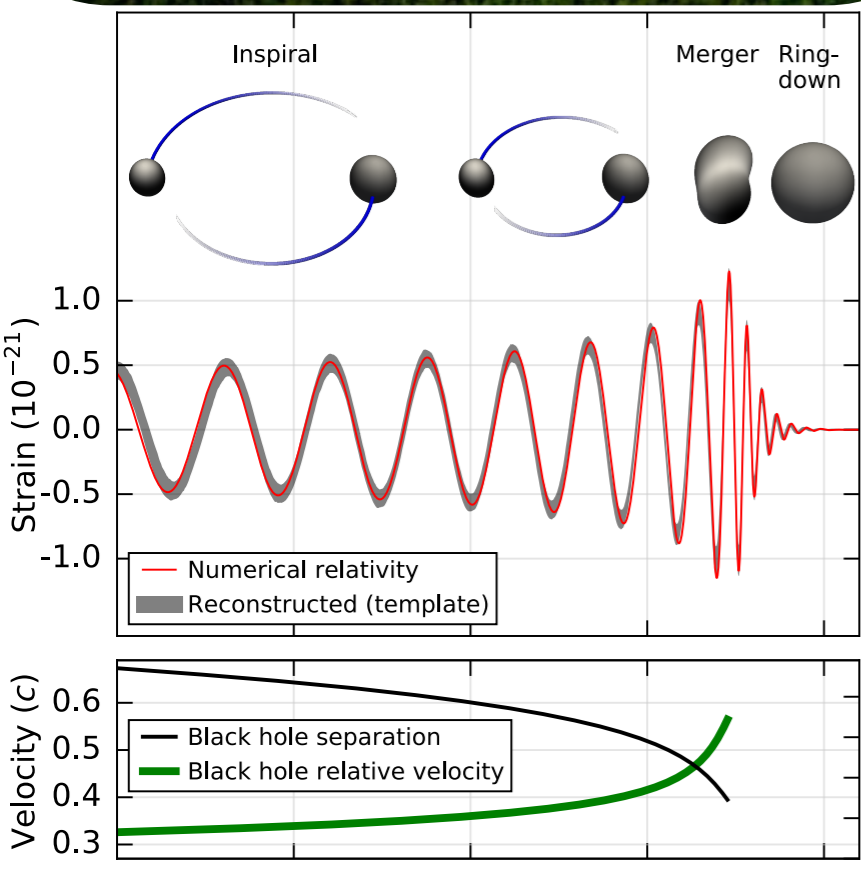
# Supernovas and remnants

Crab Nebula, supernova in 1054, now a spinning neutron star



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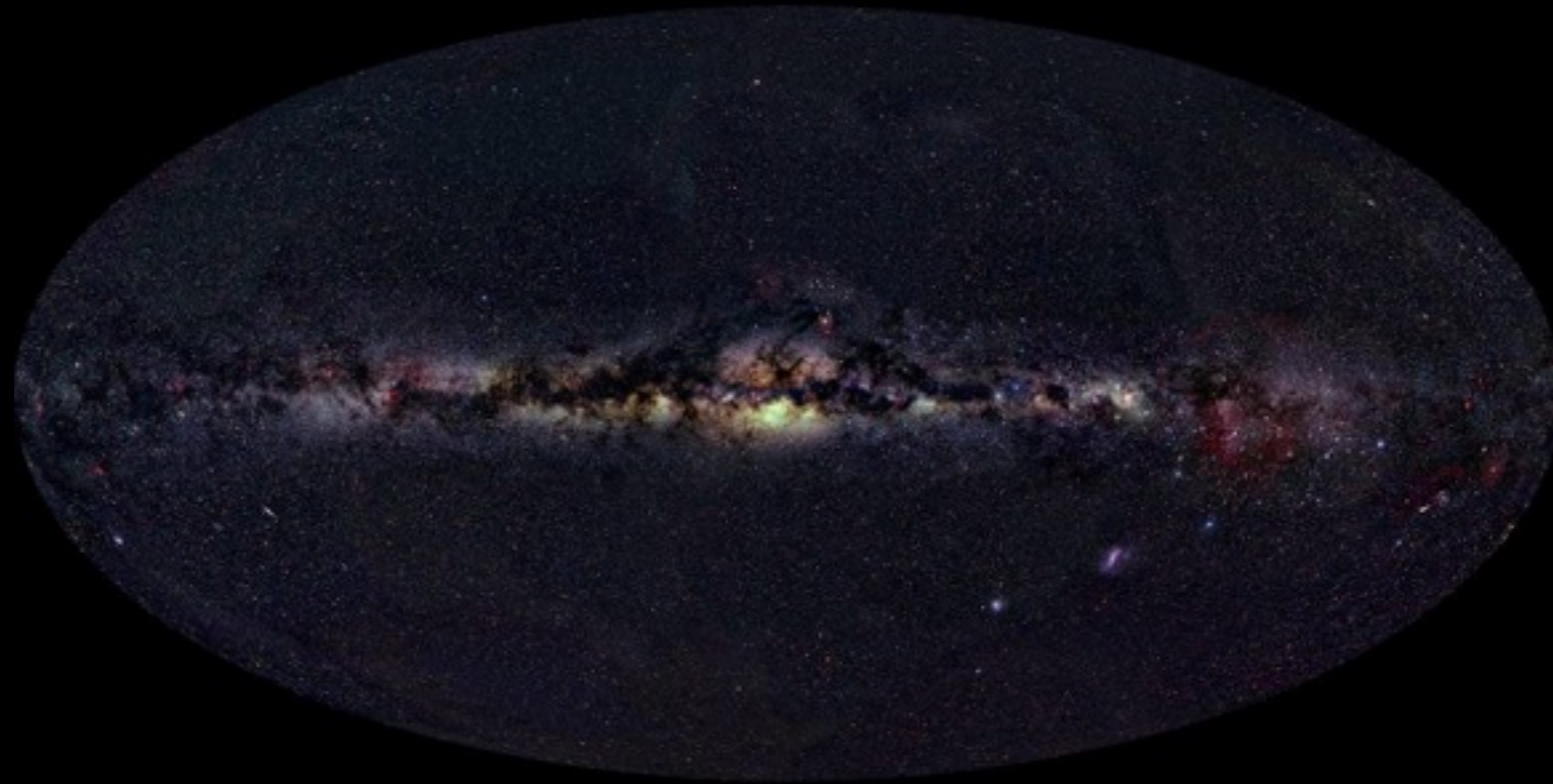
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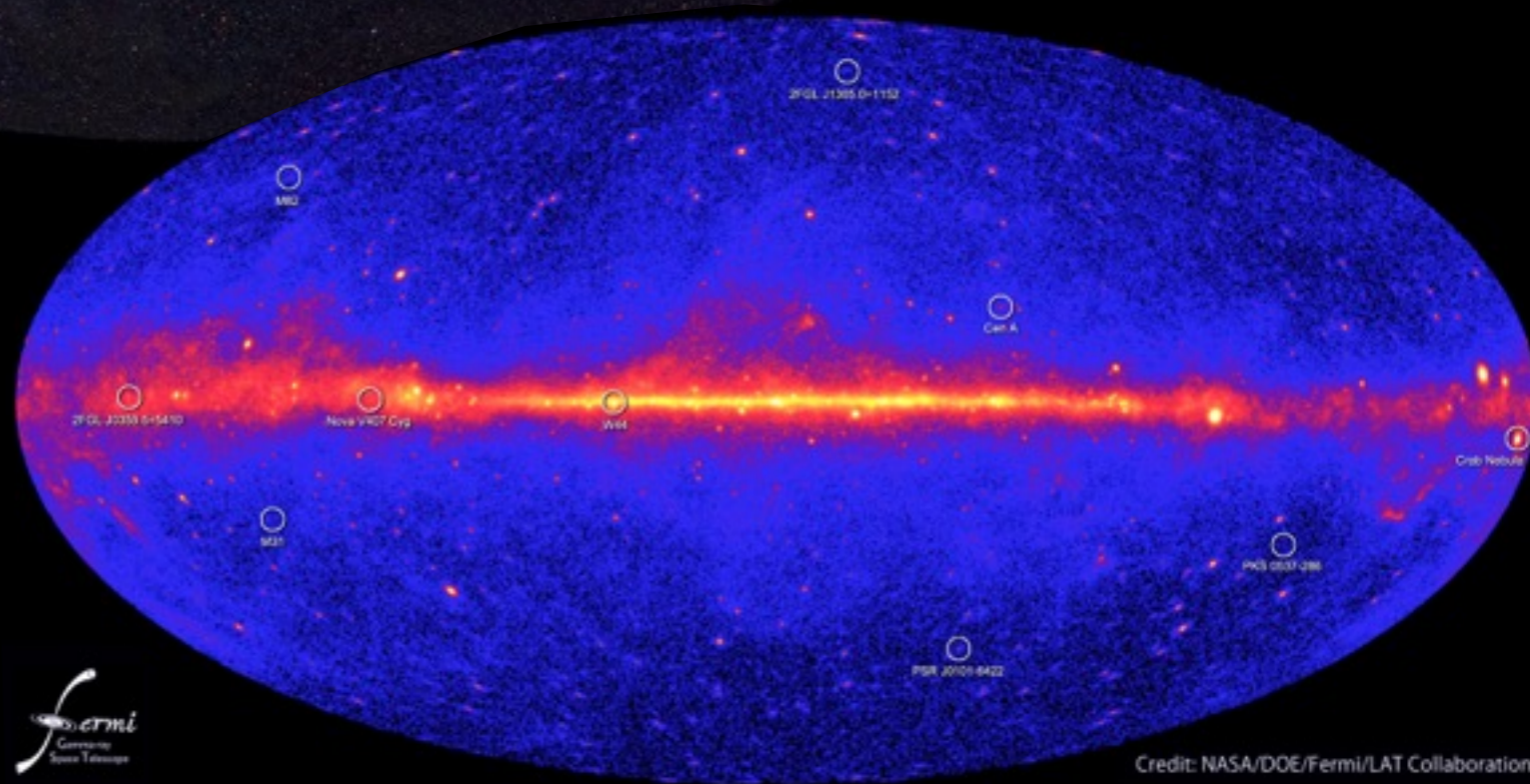
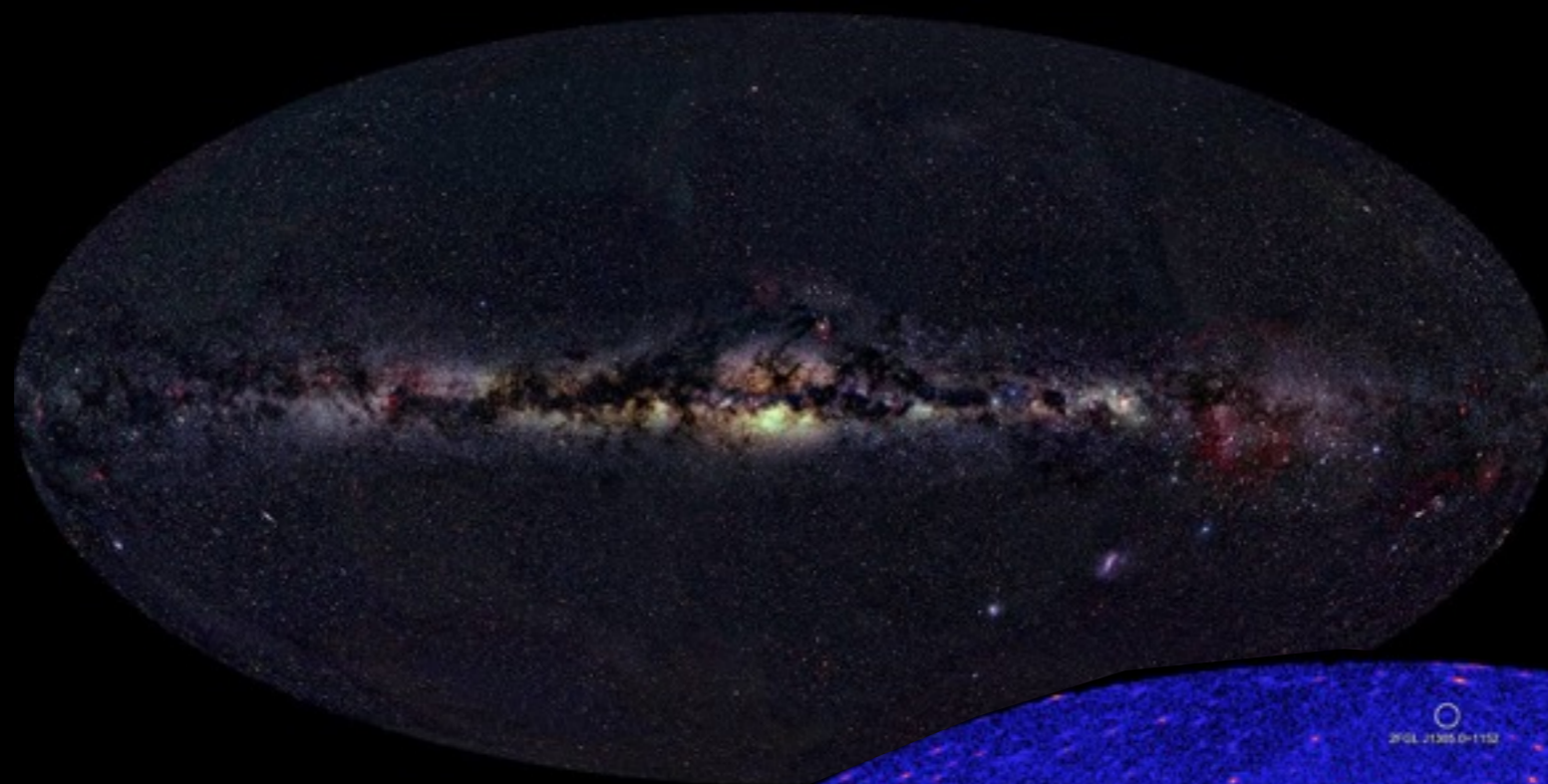
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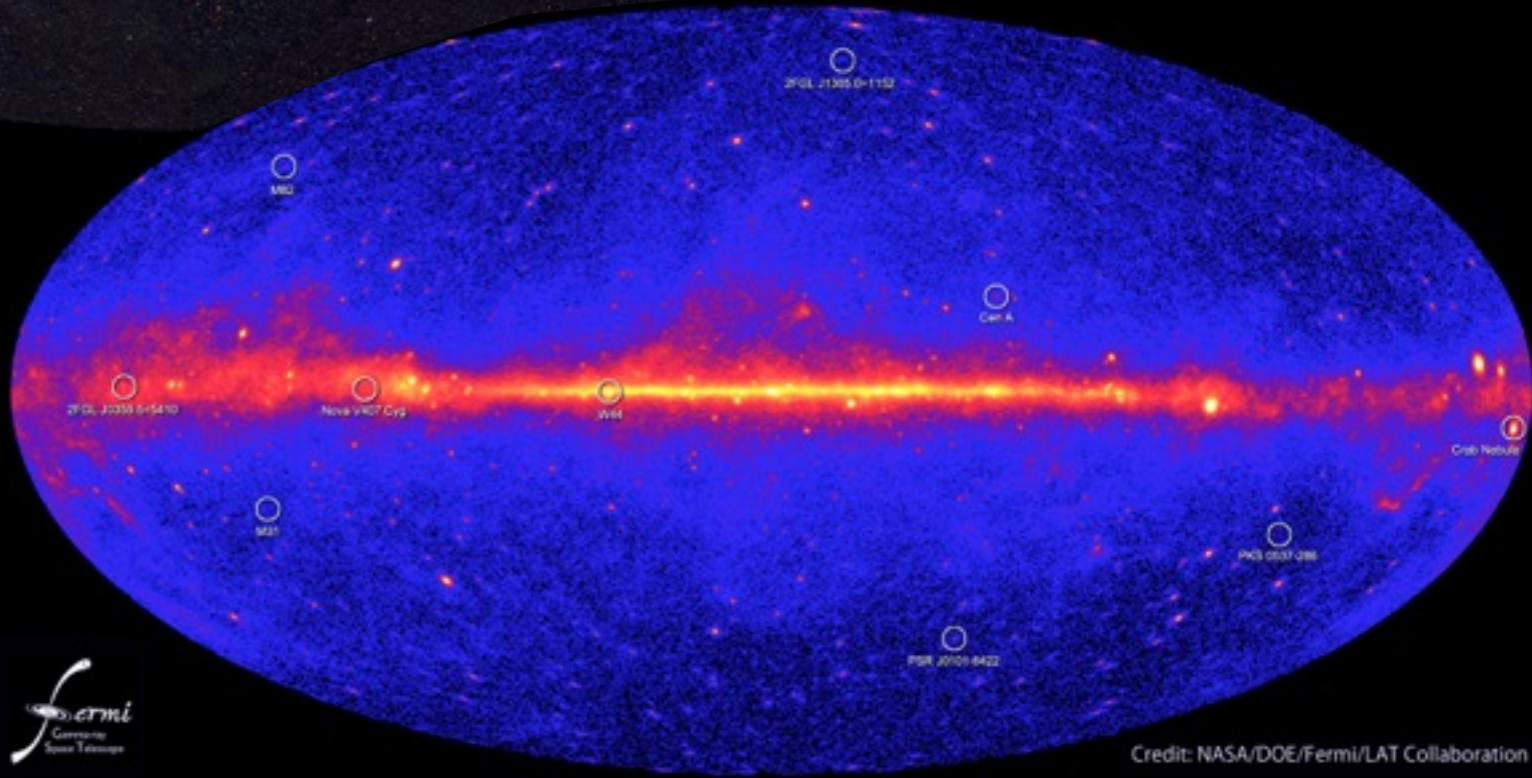
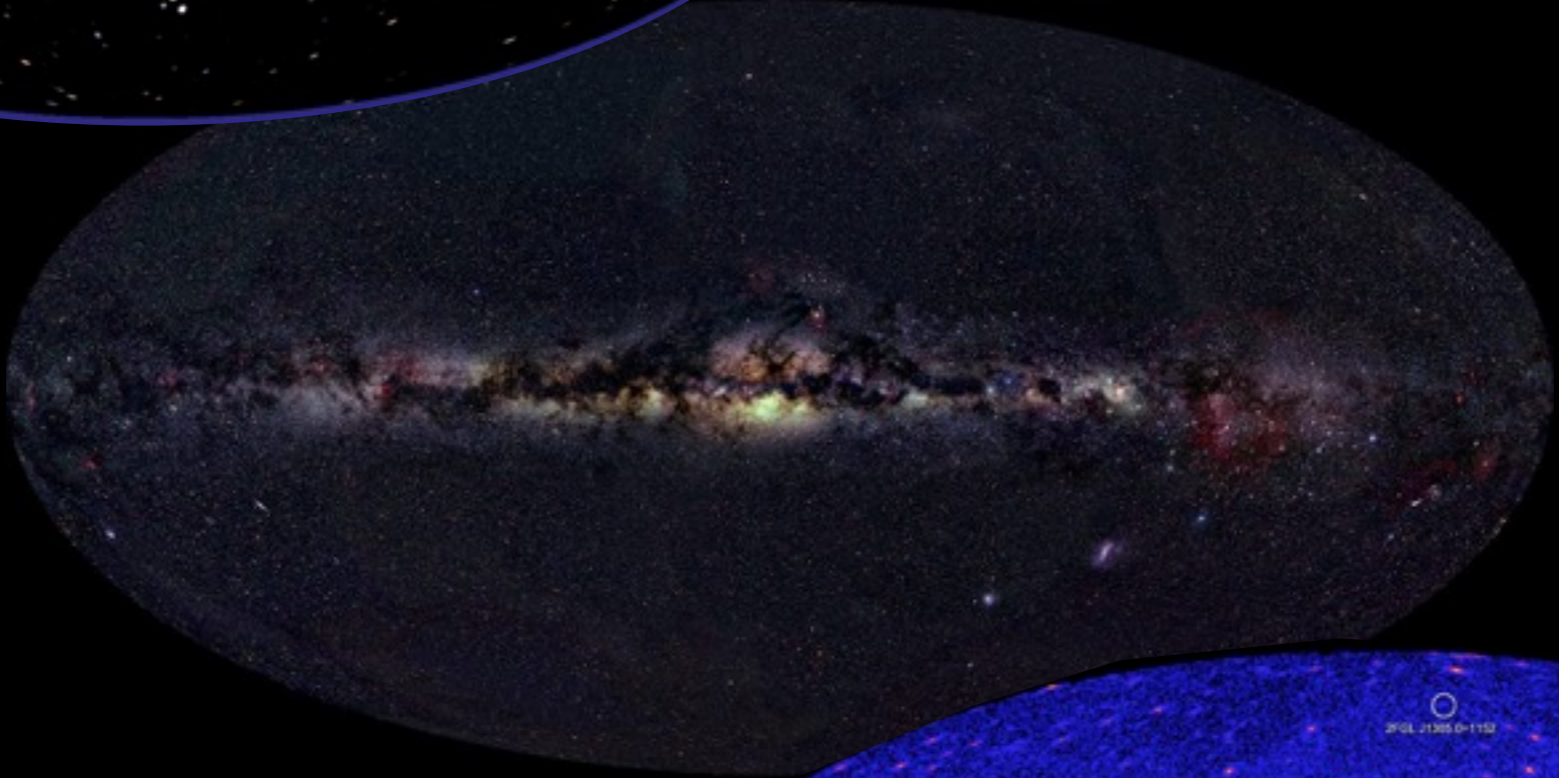


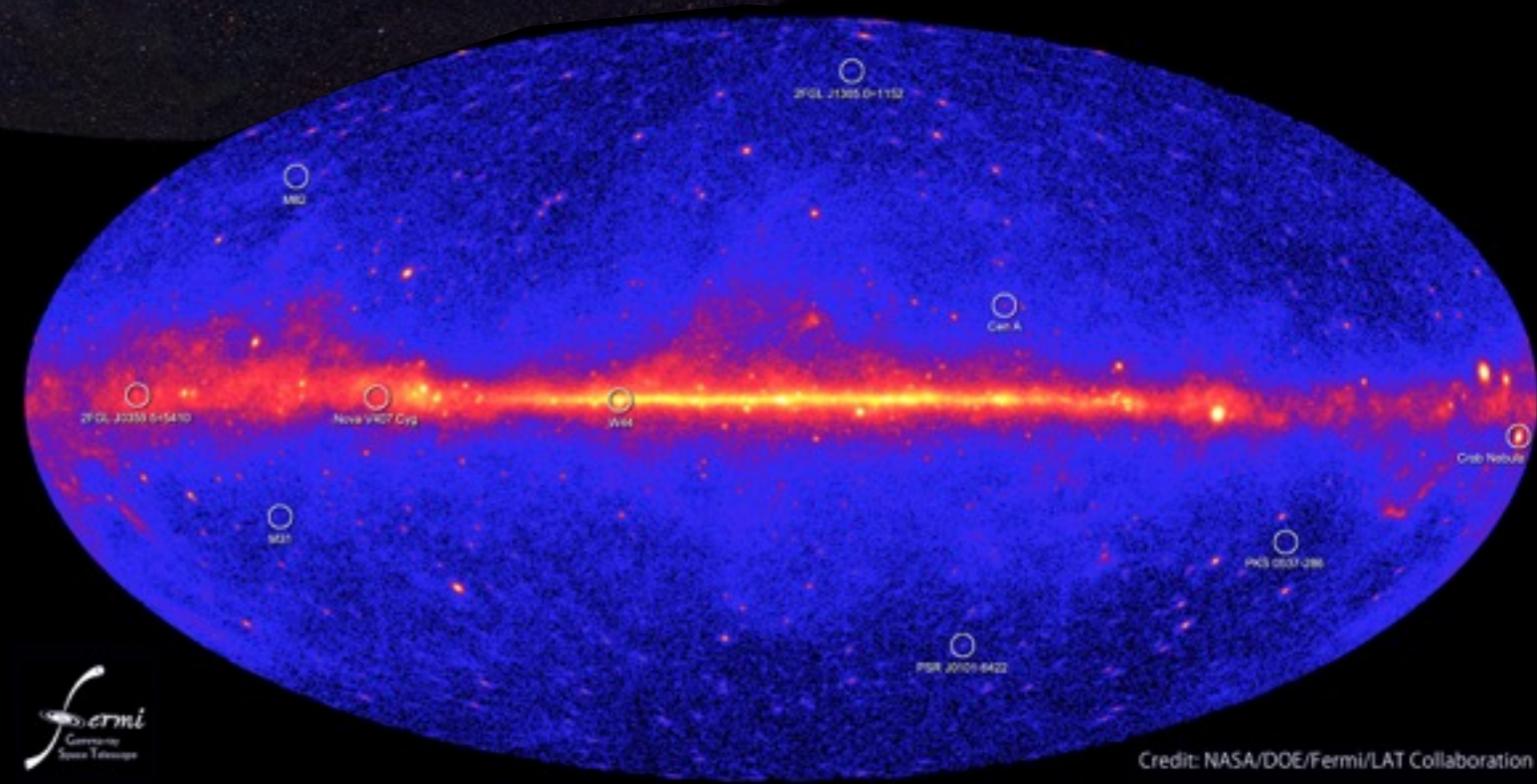
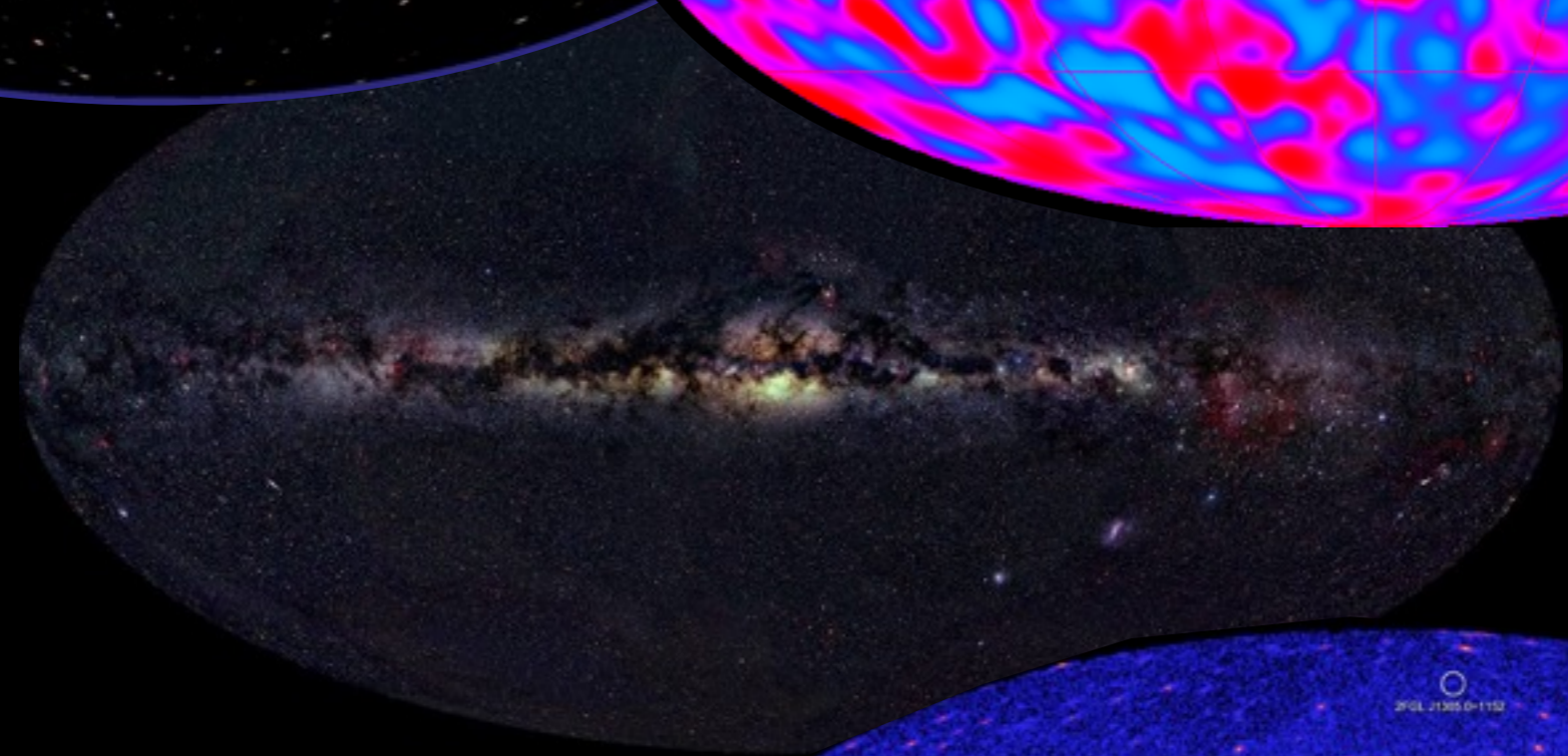
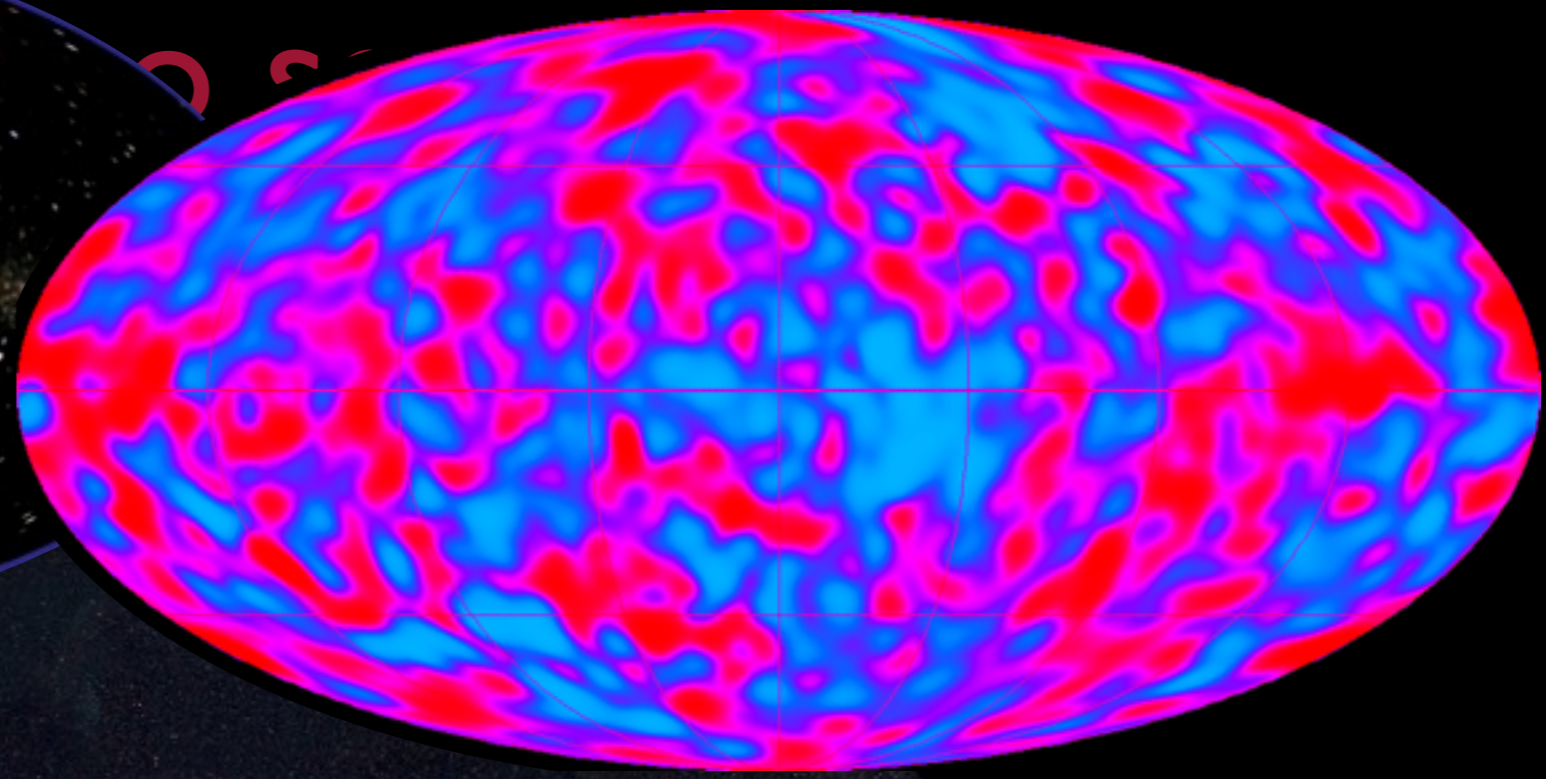
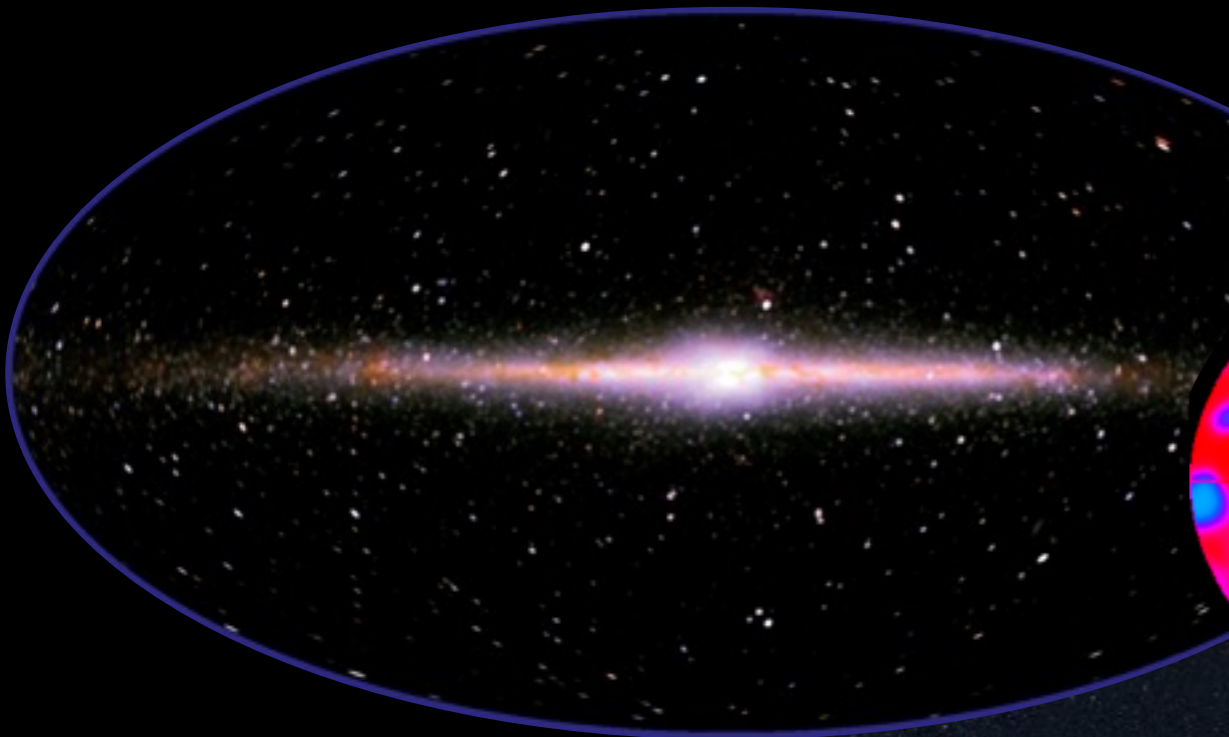


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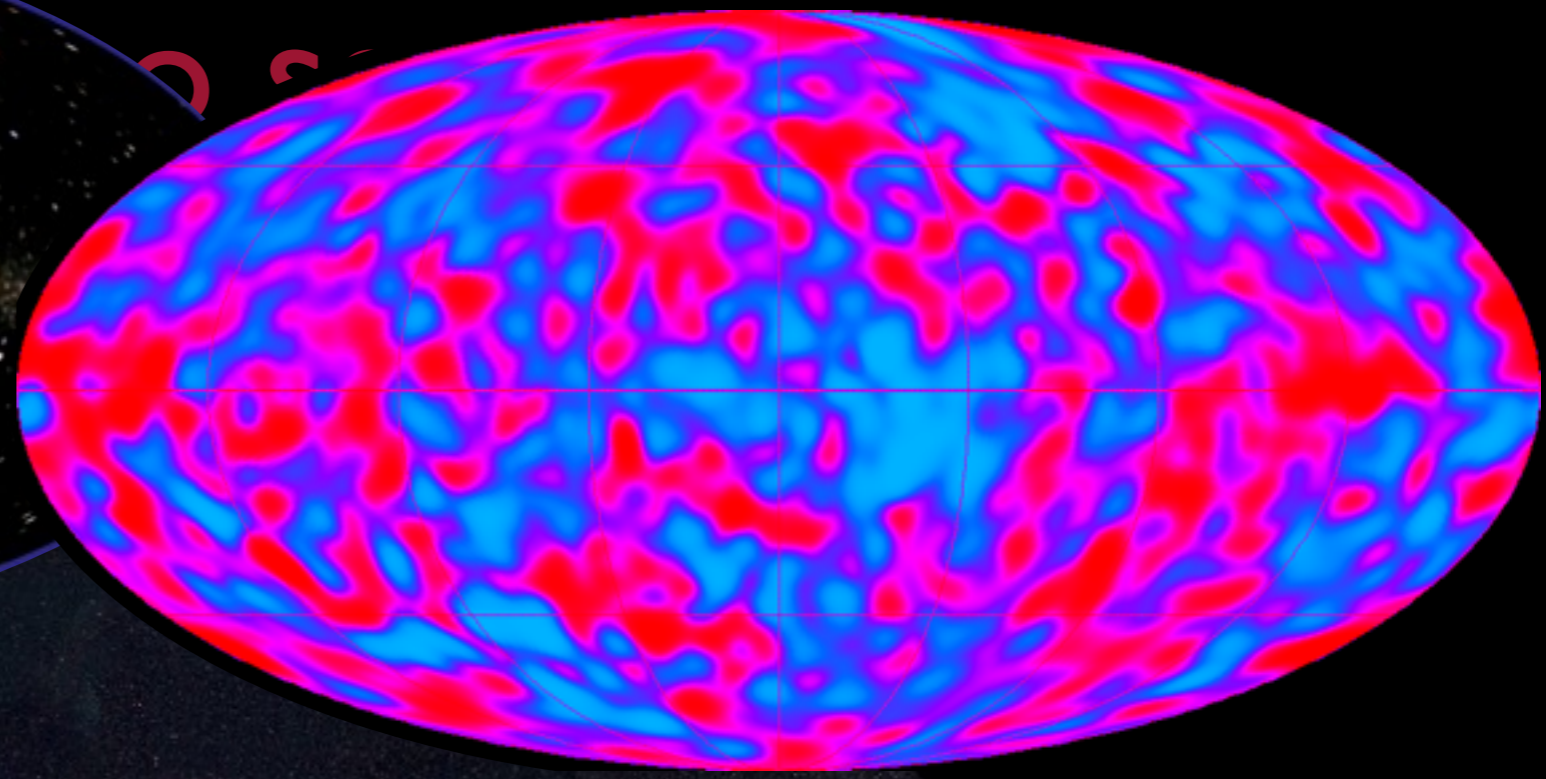
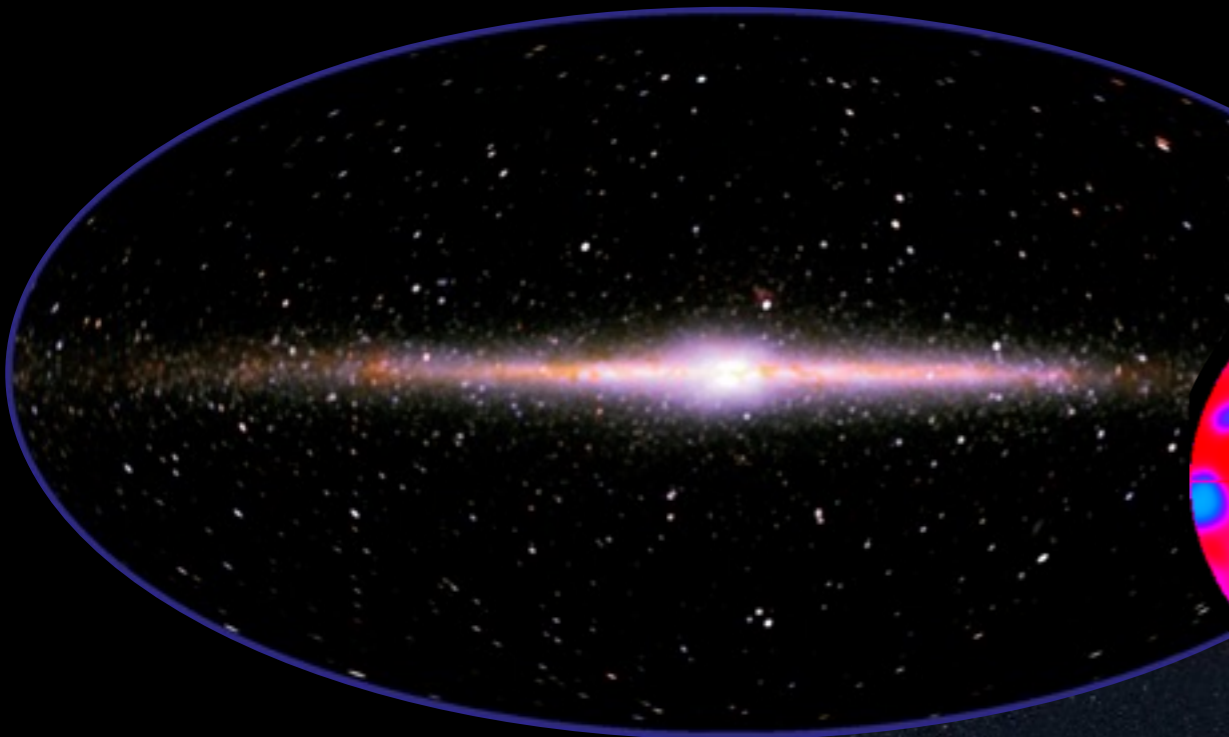


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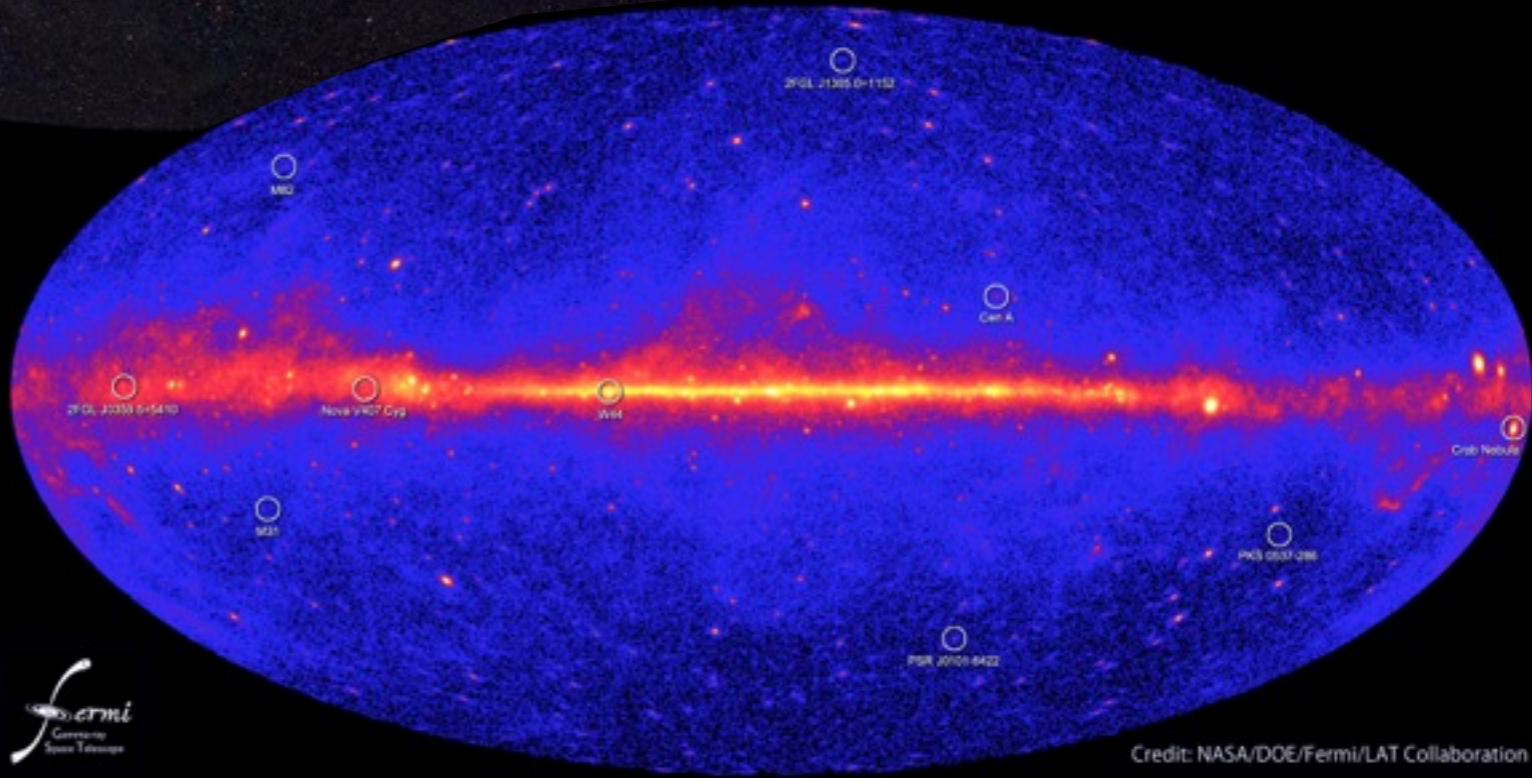
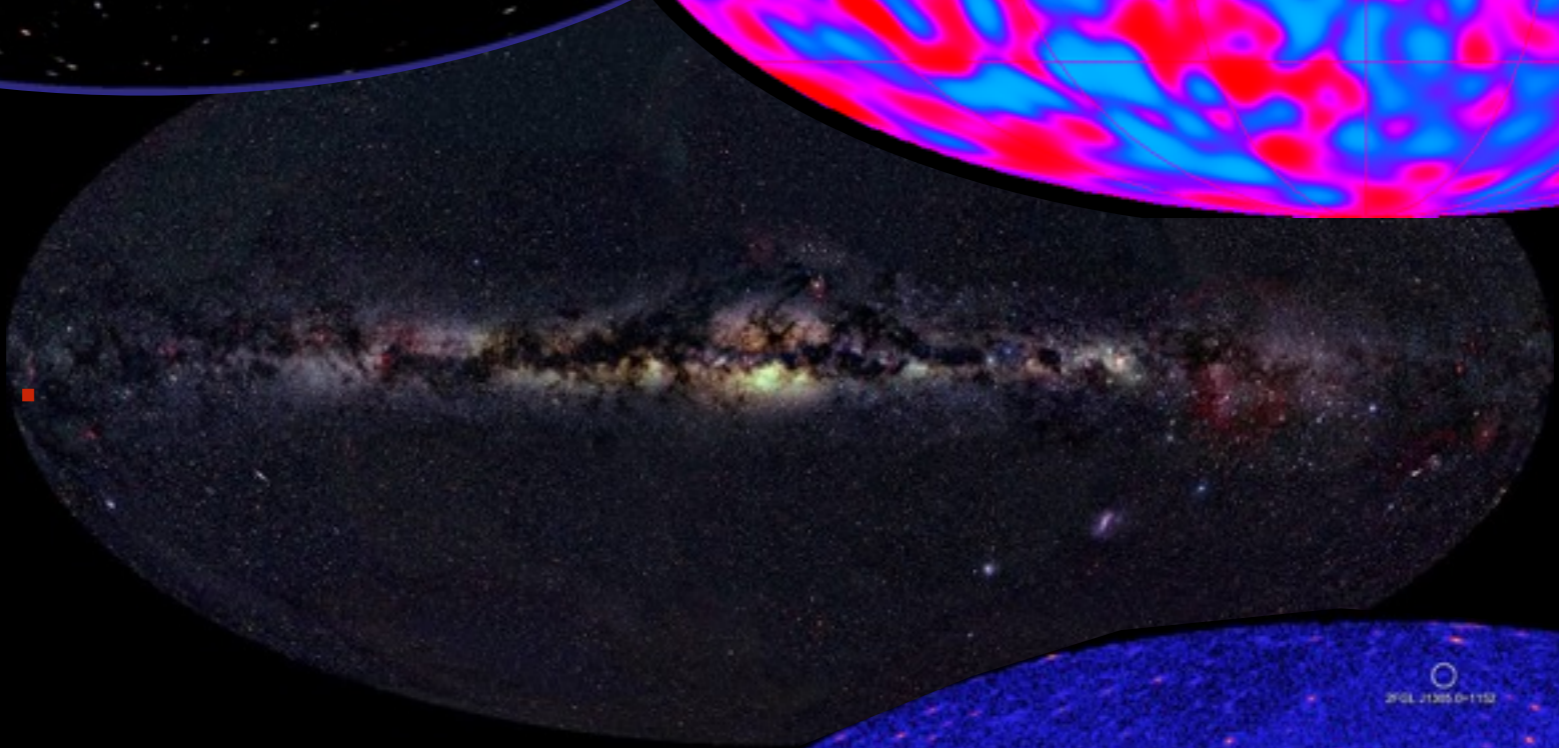




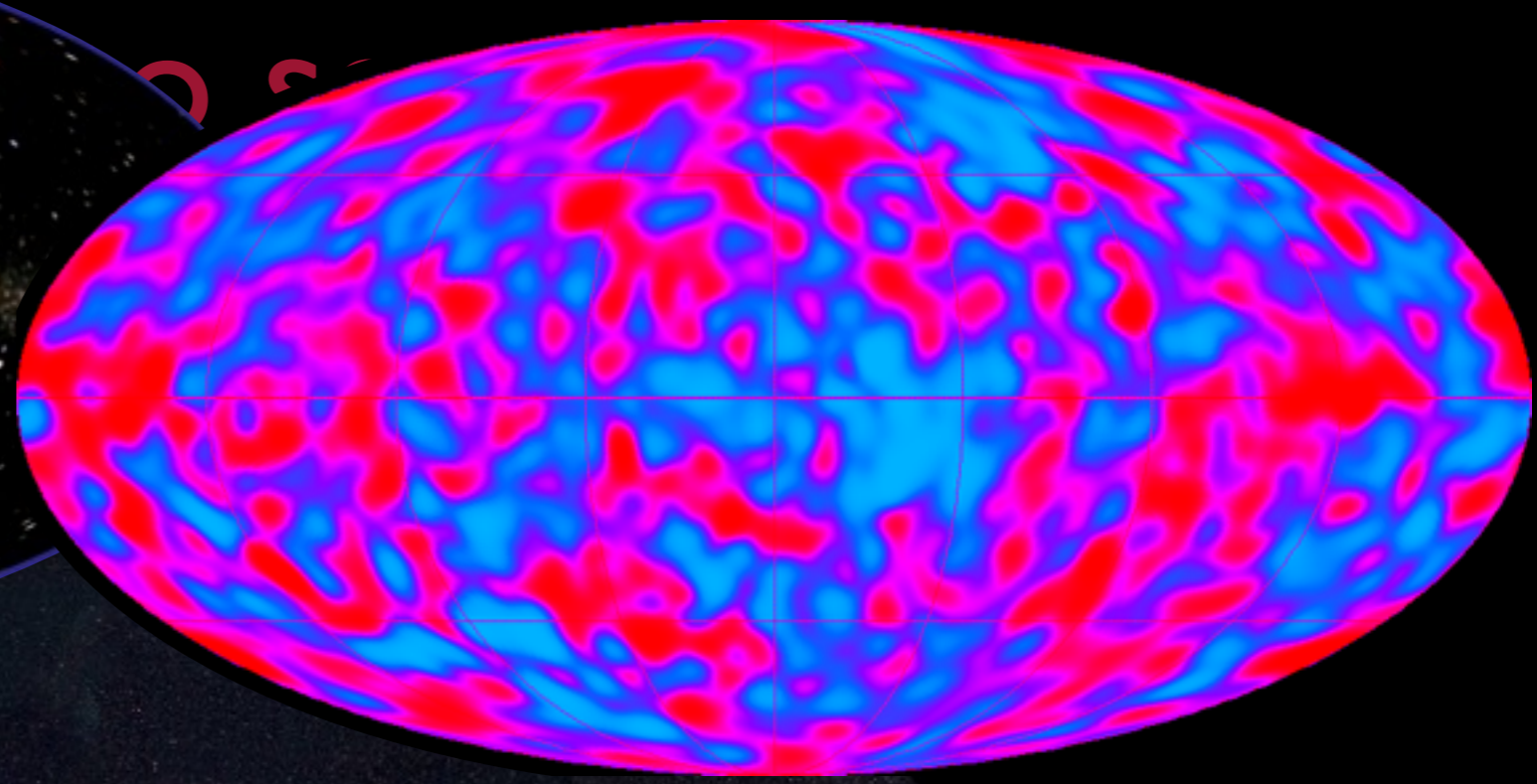
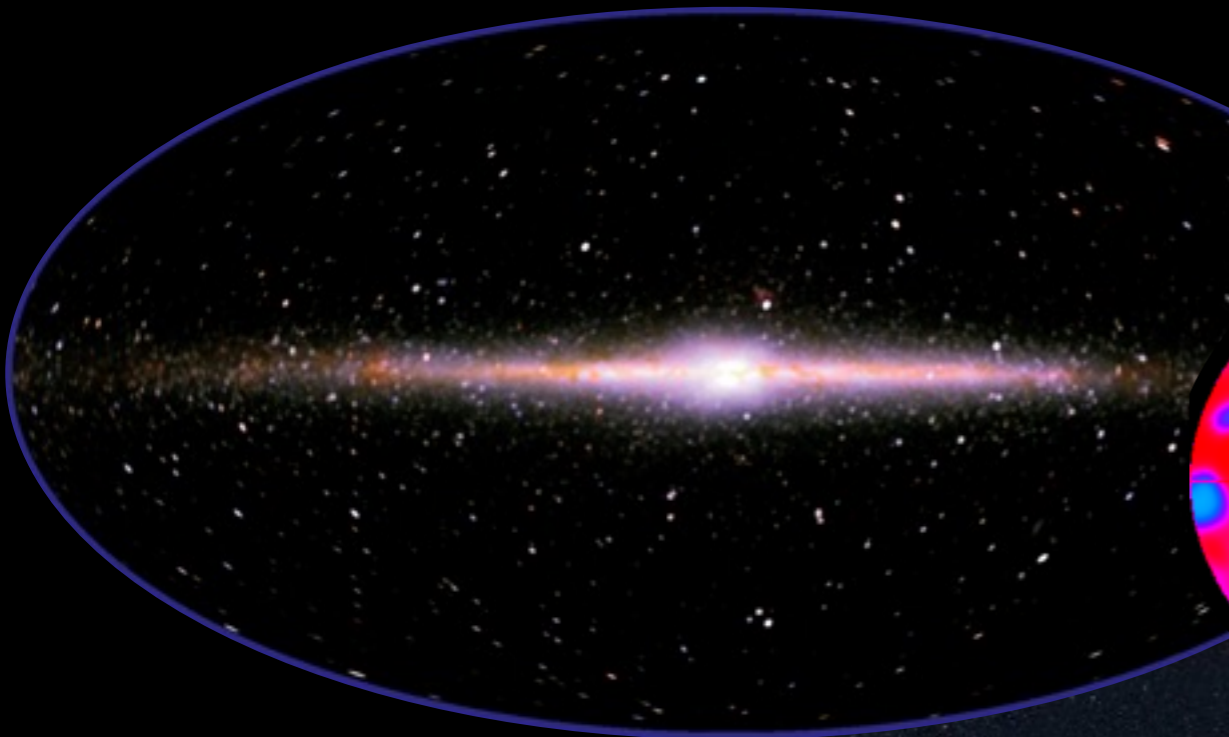
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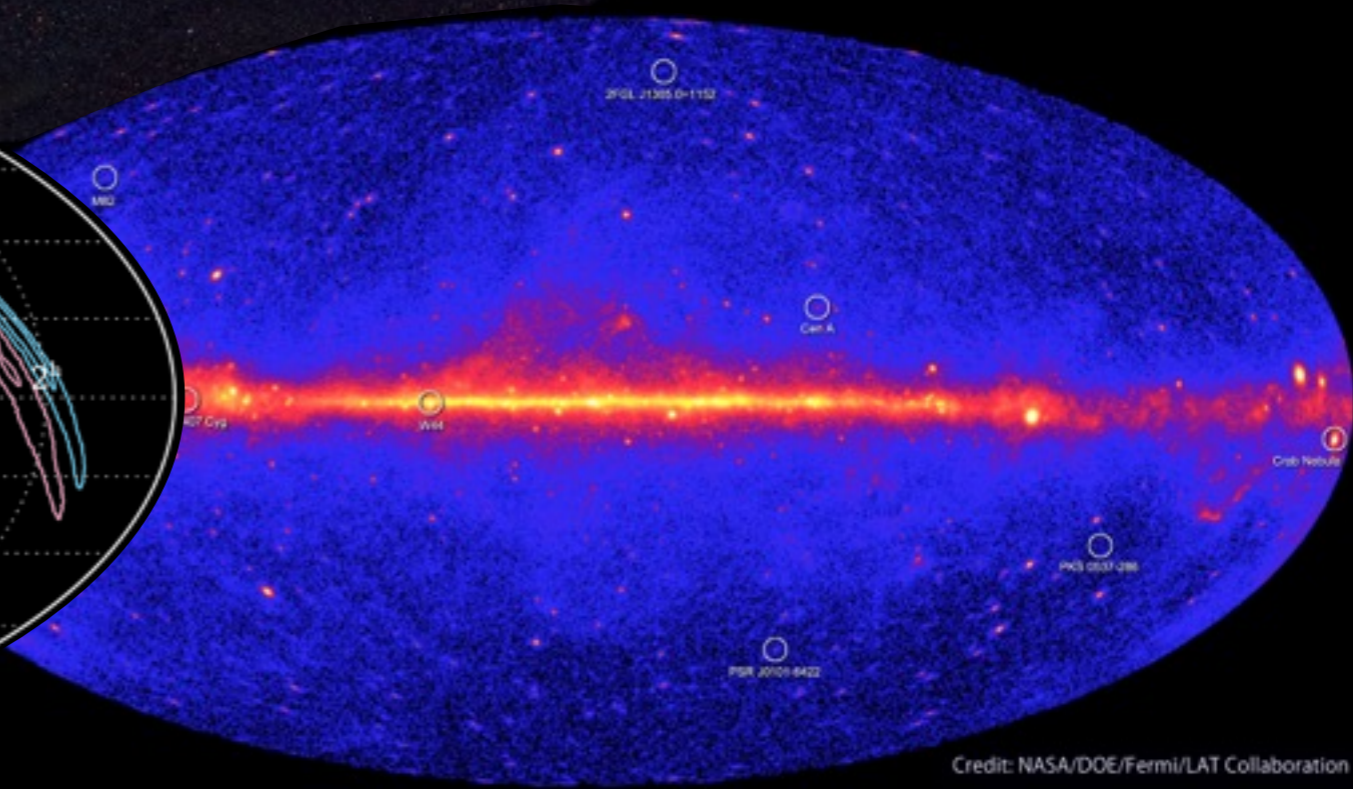
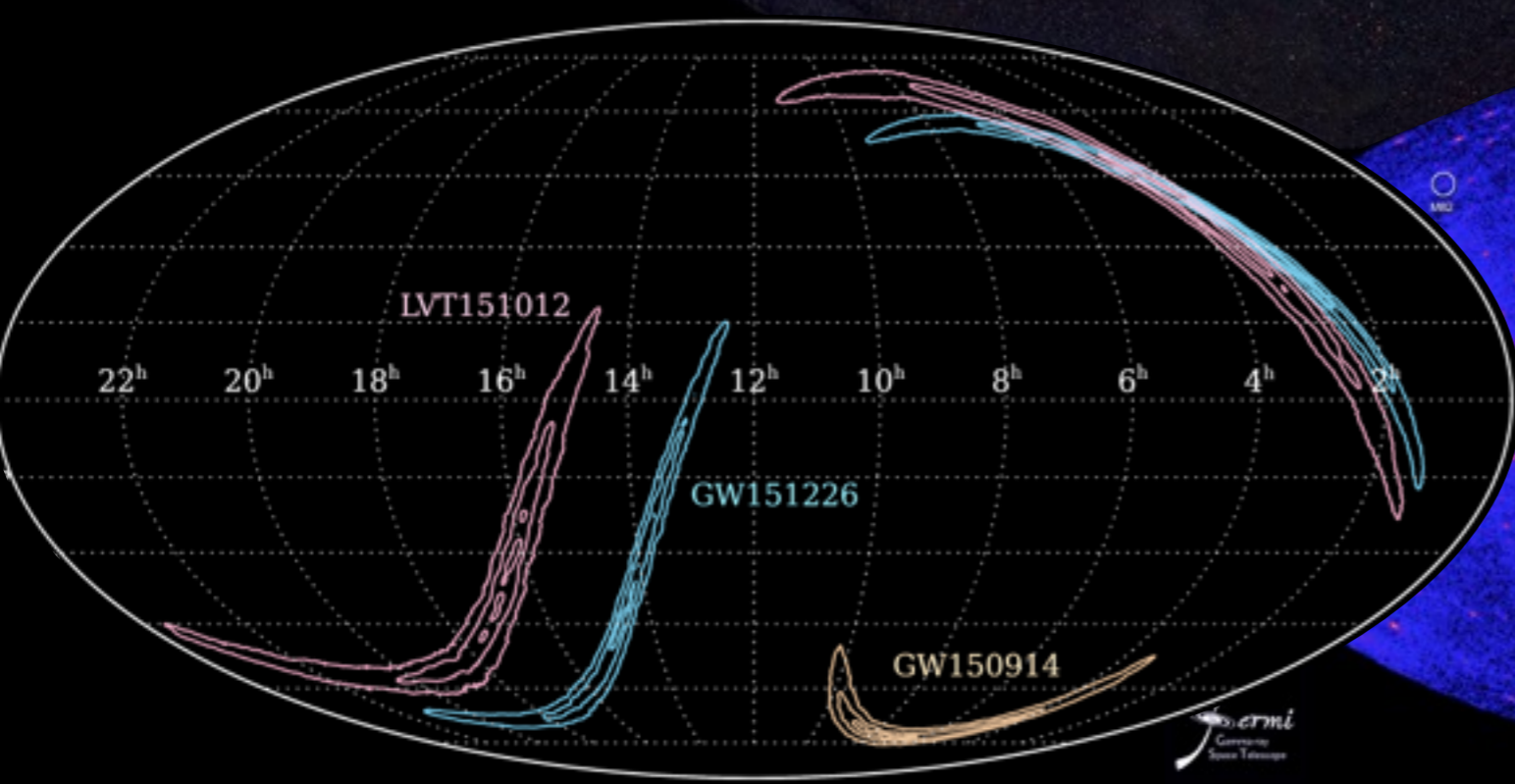
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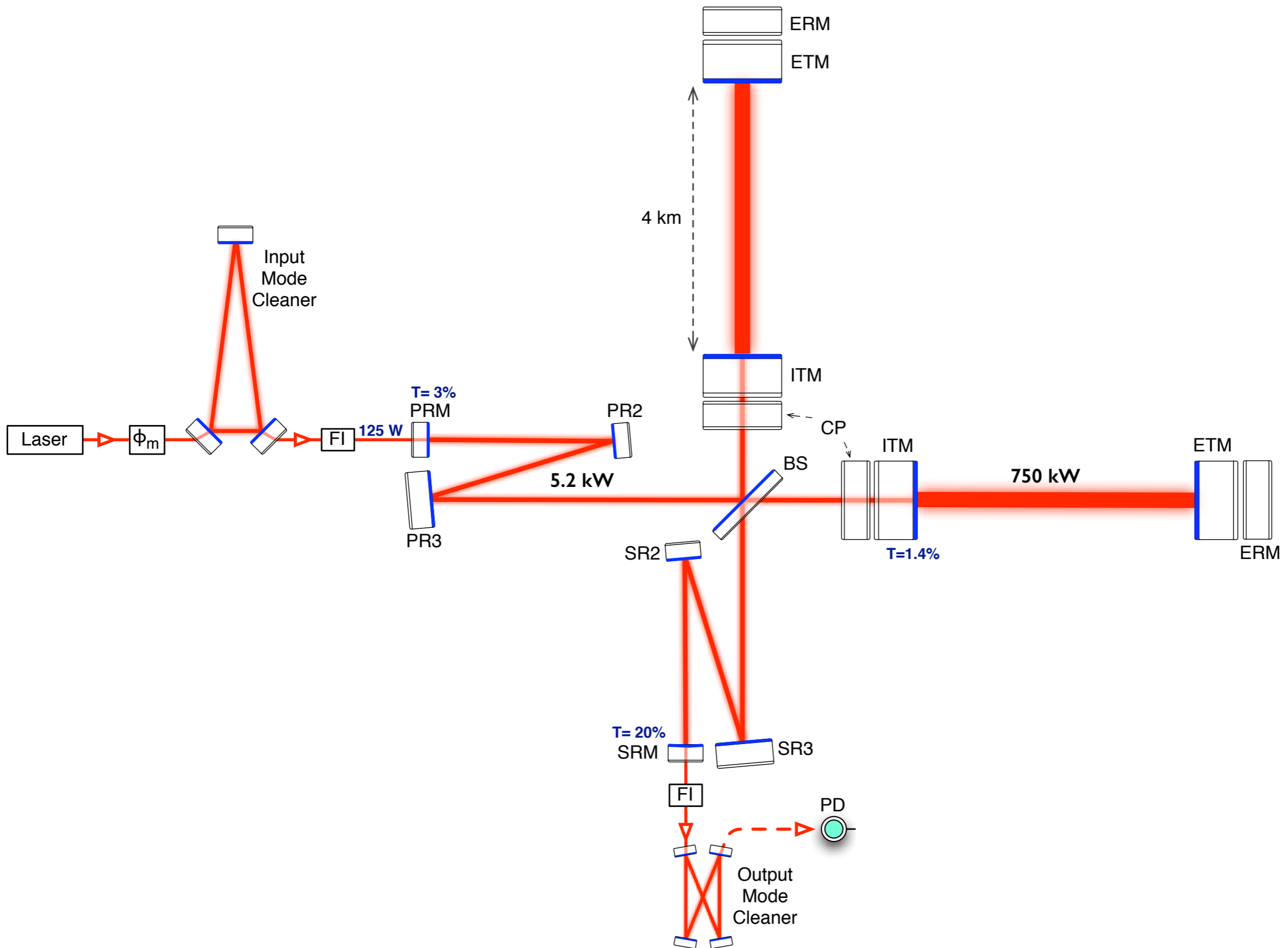


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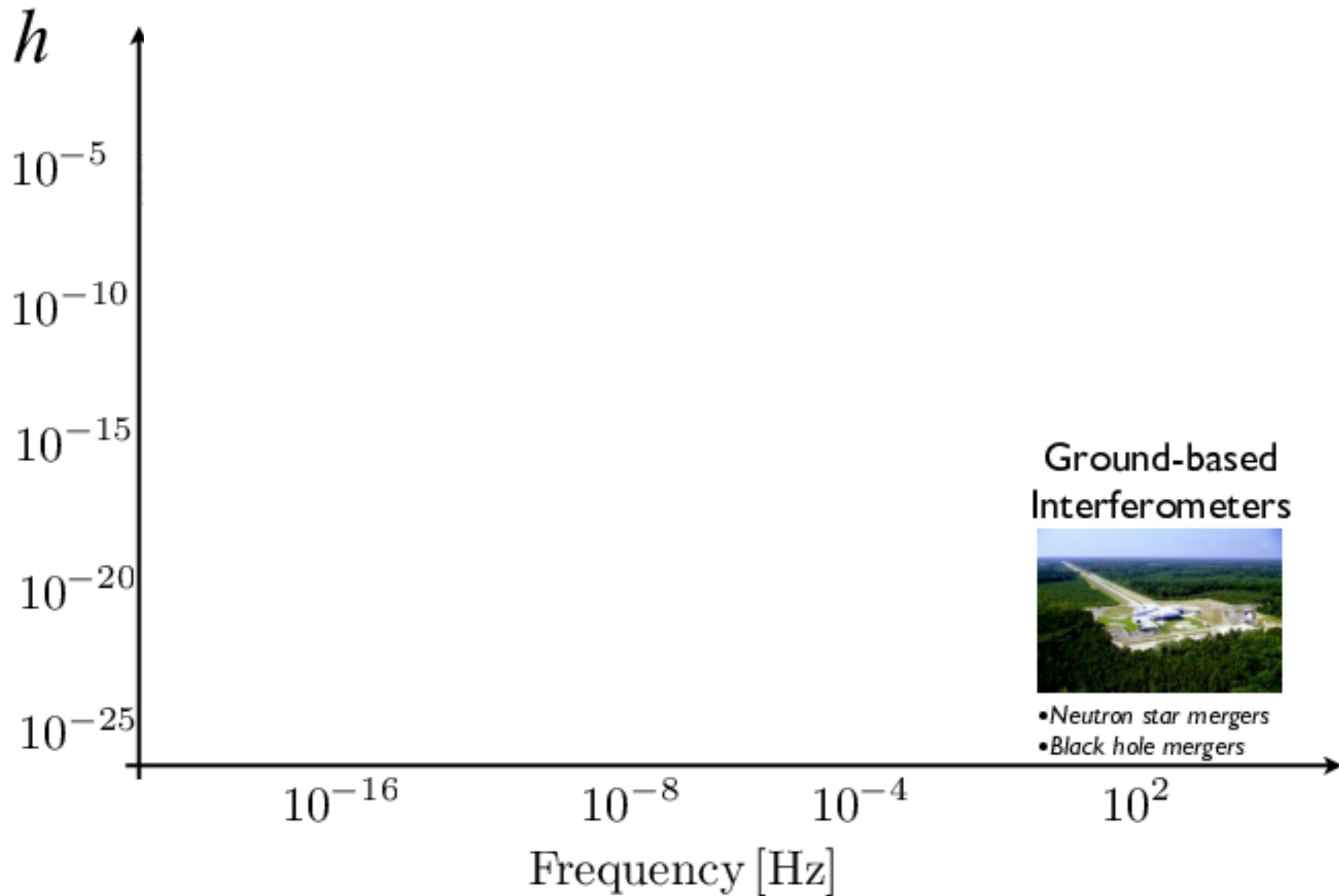


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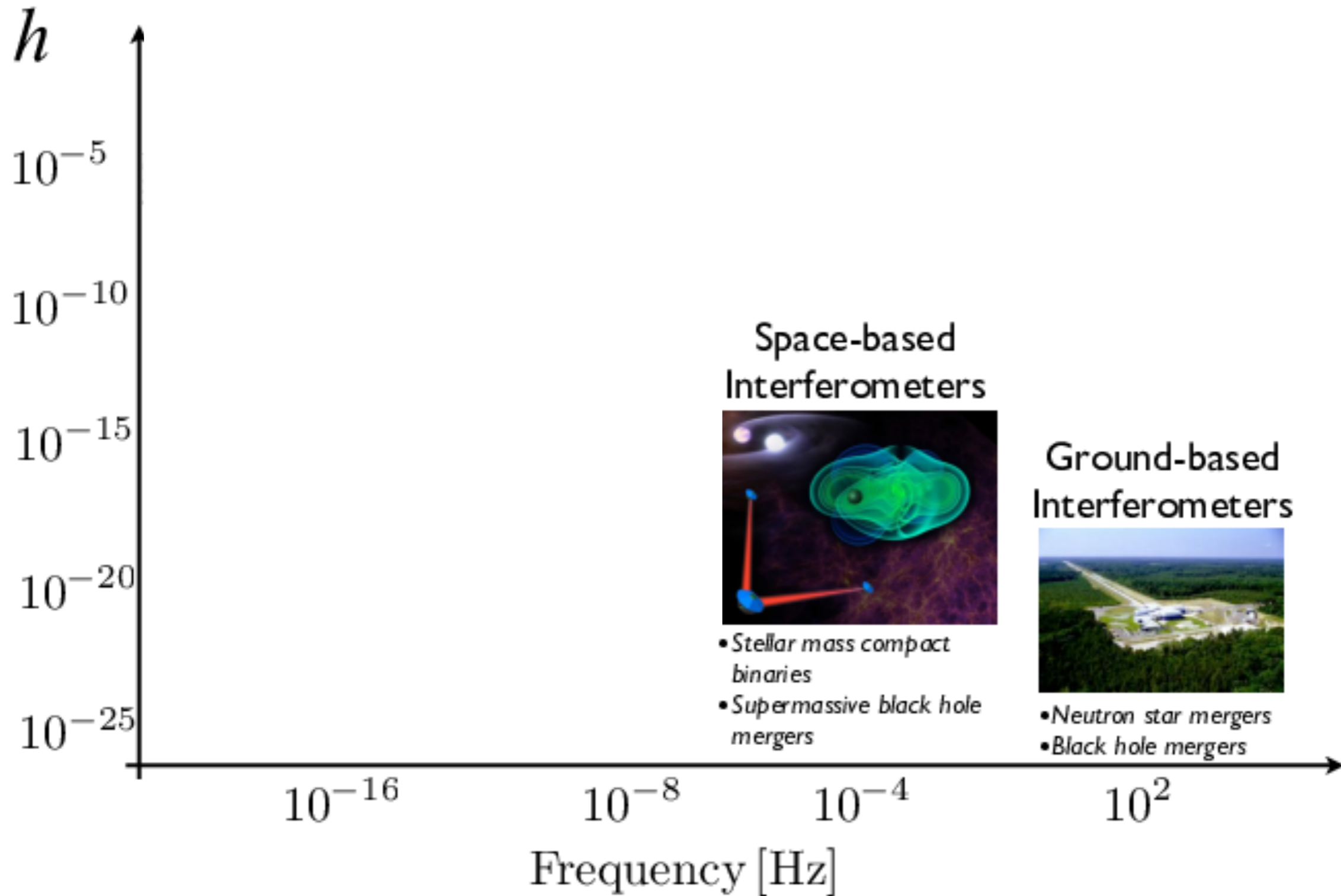




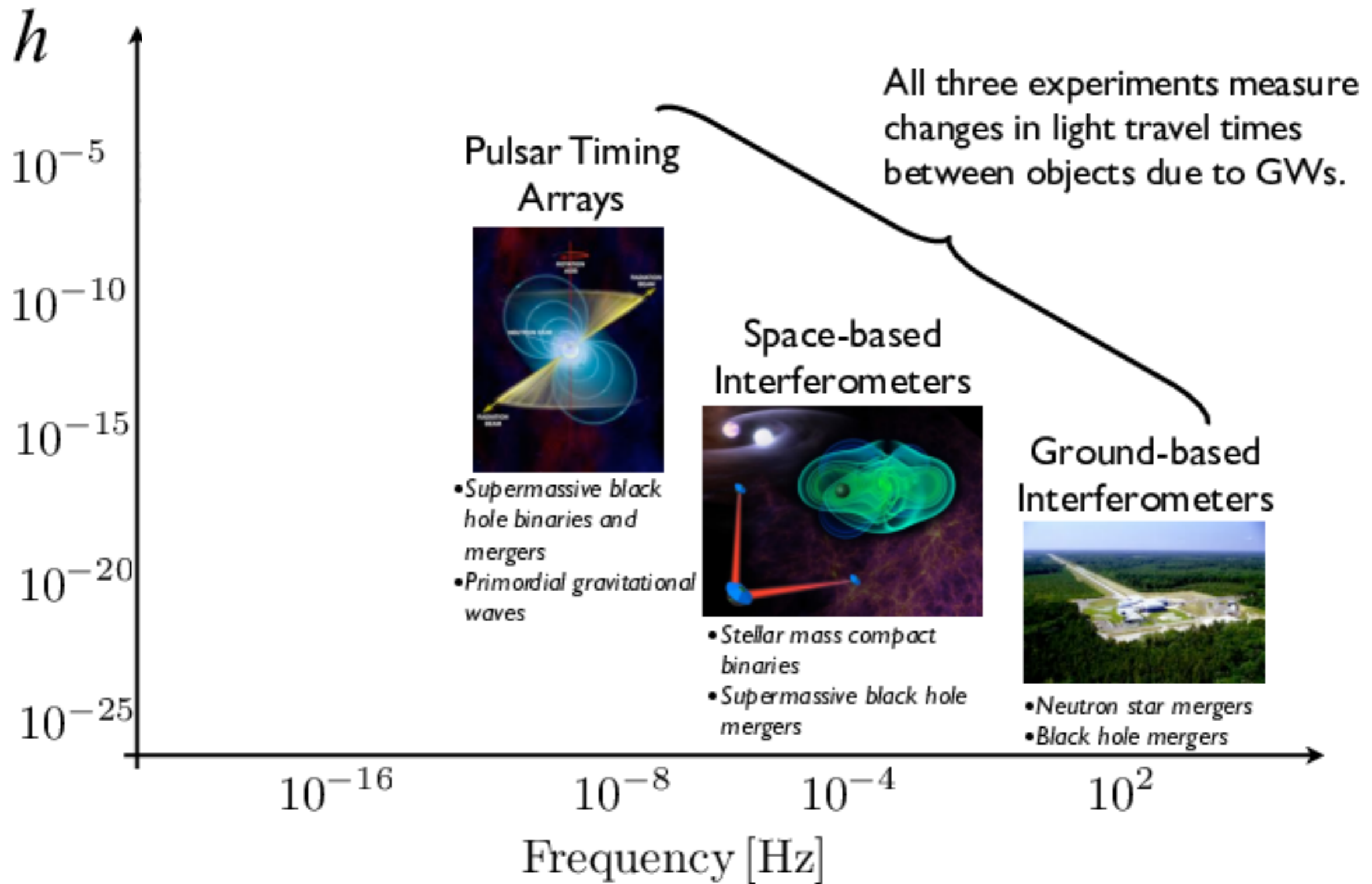
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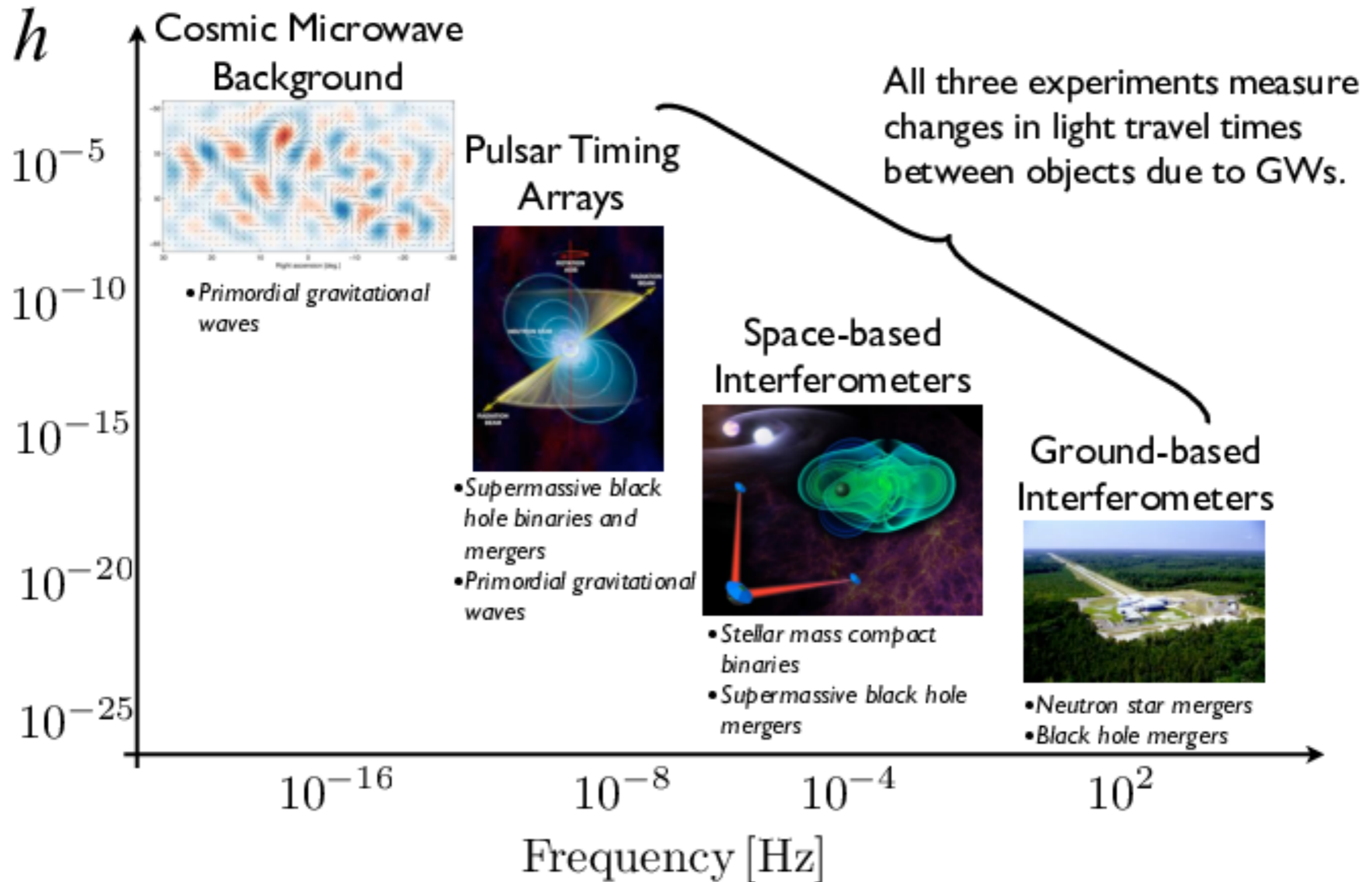


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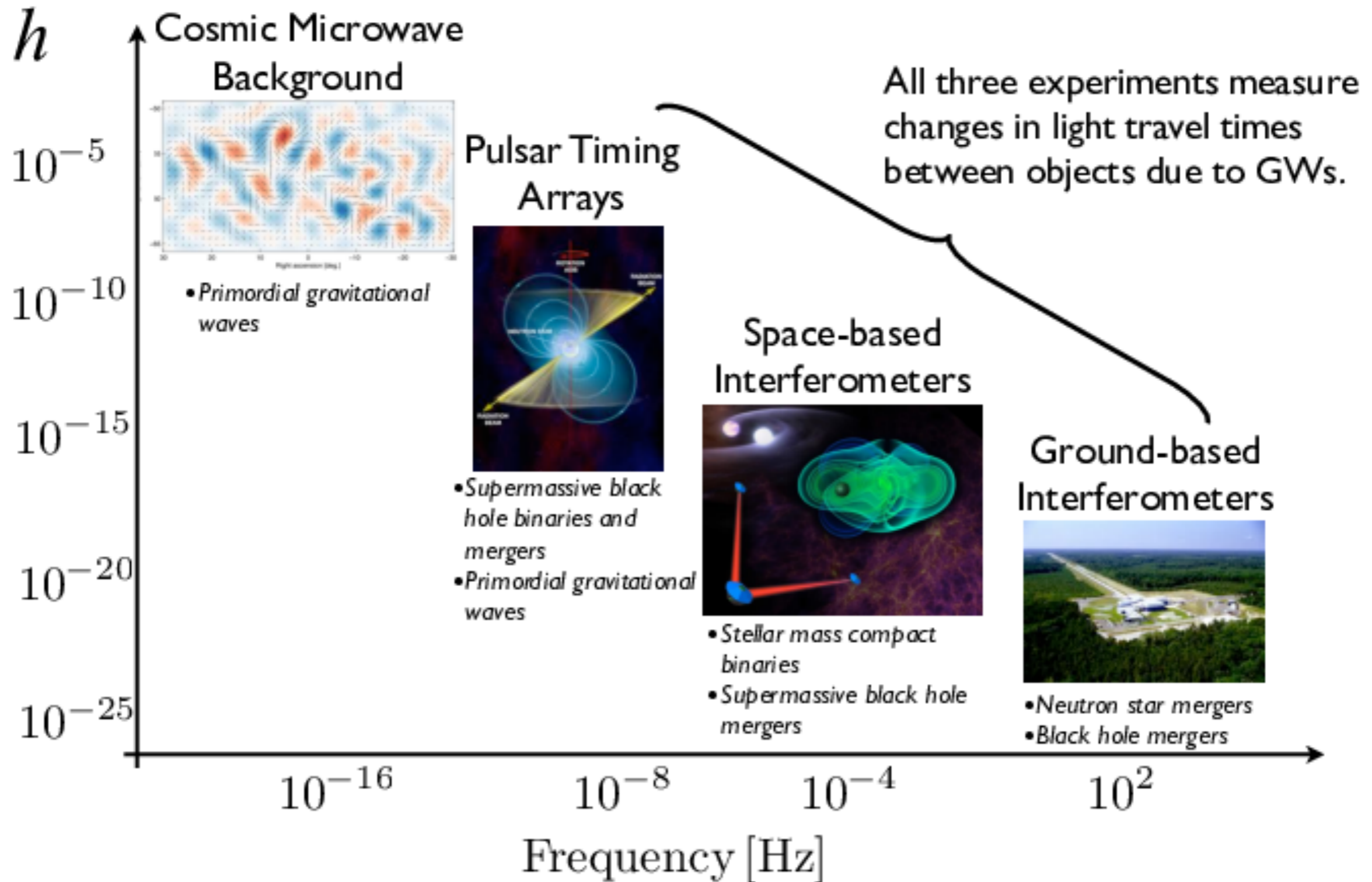


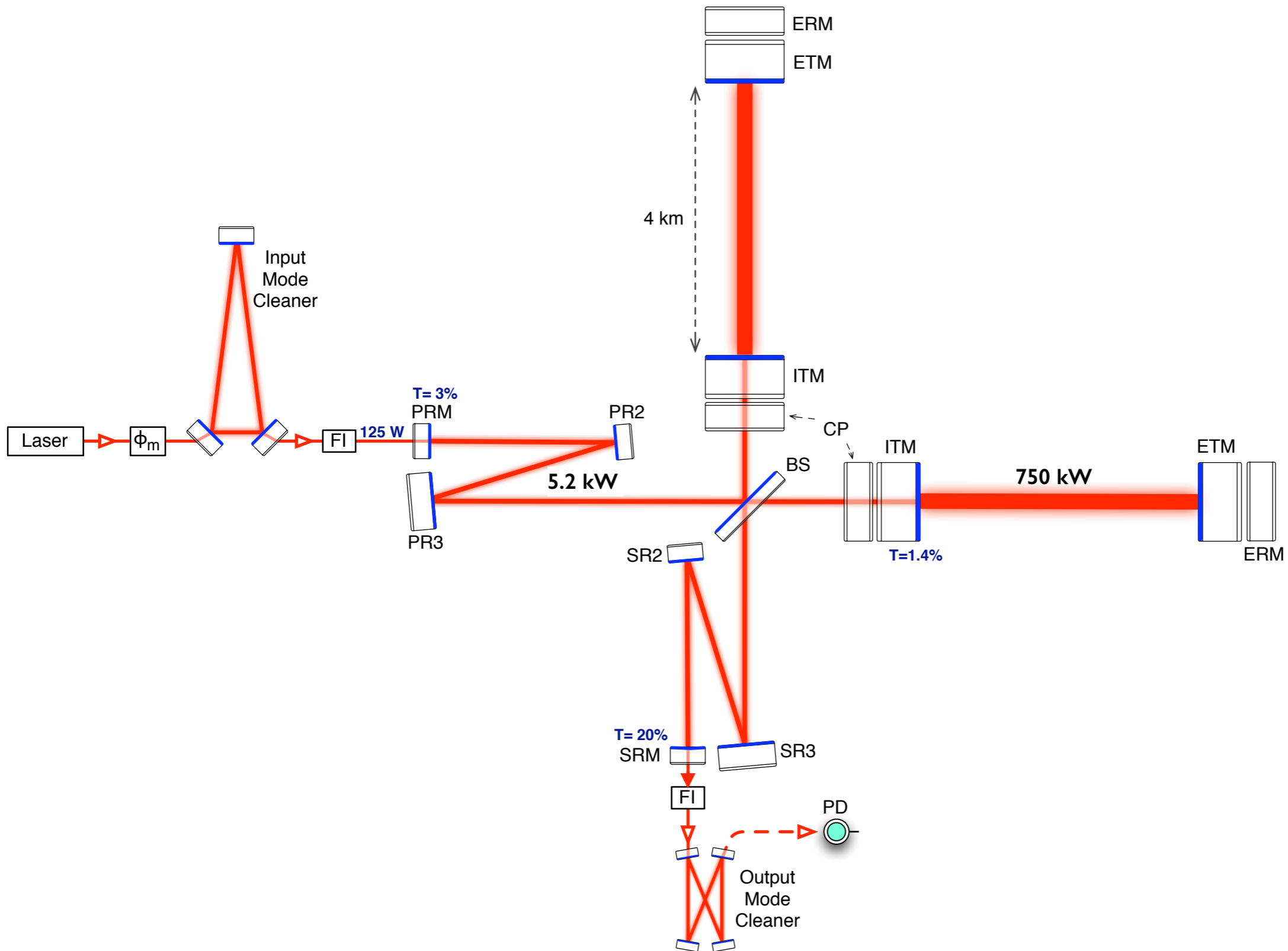


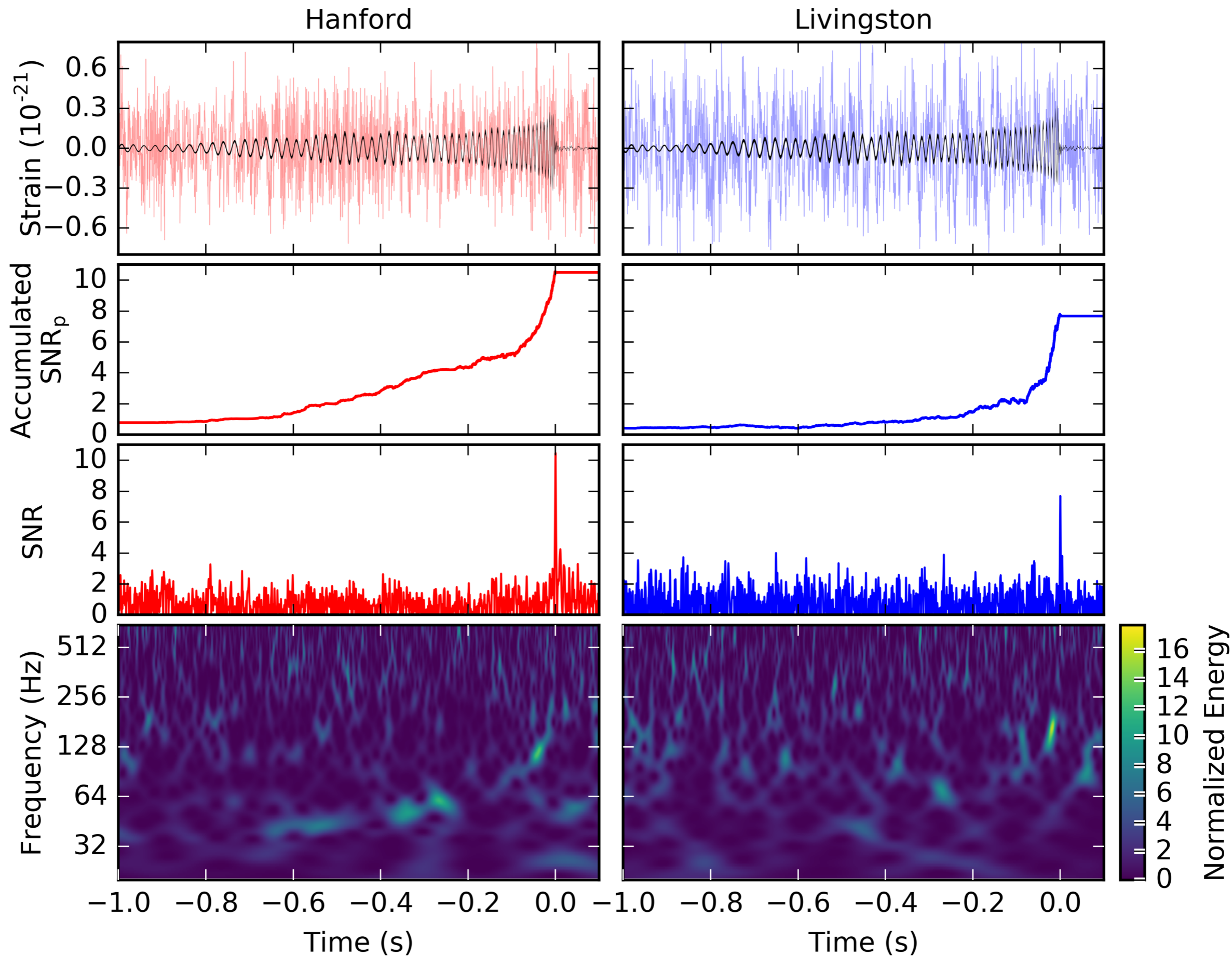
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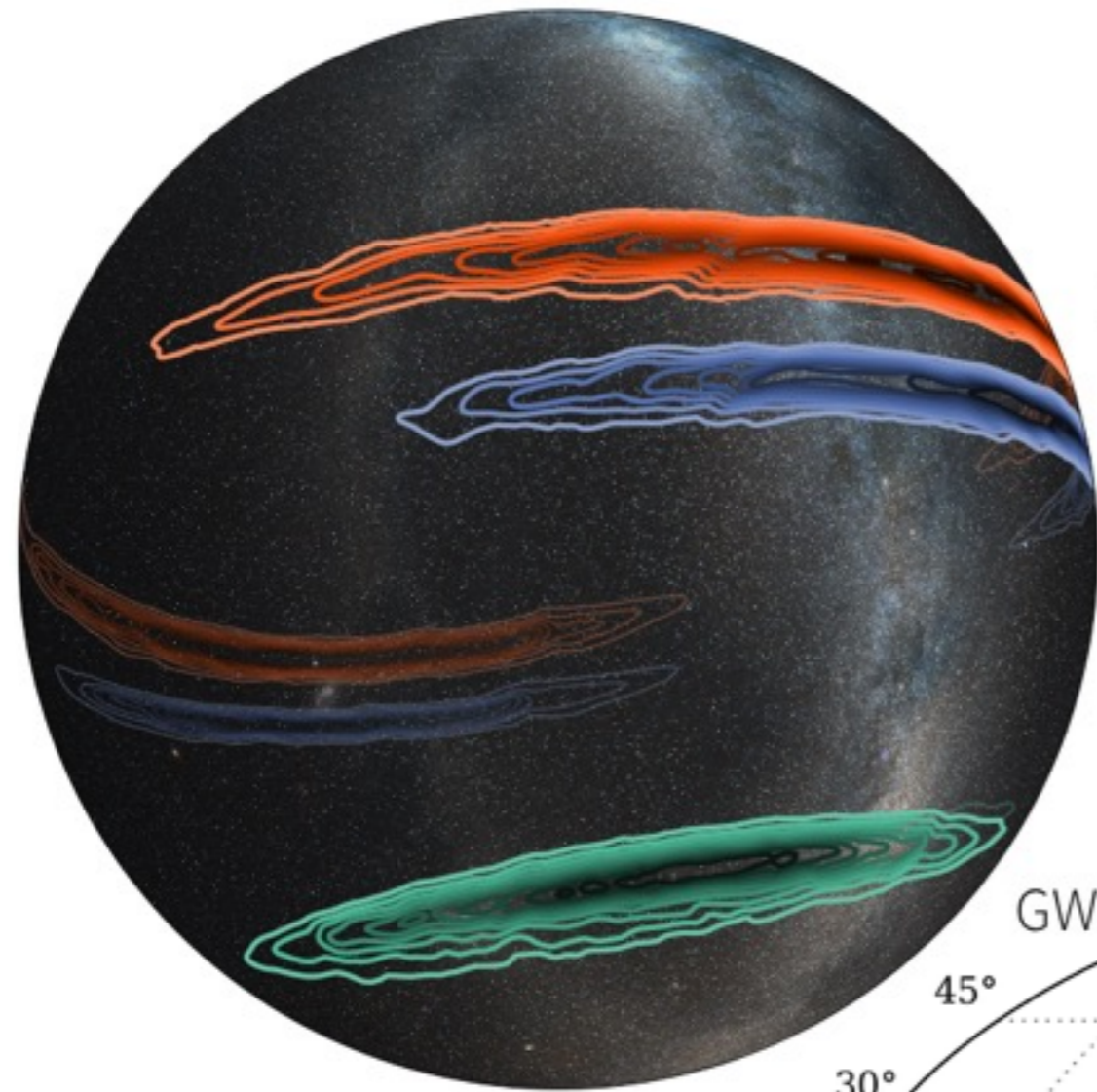
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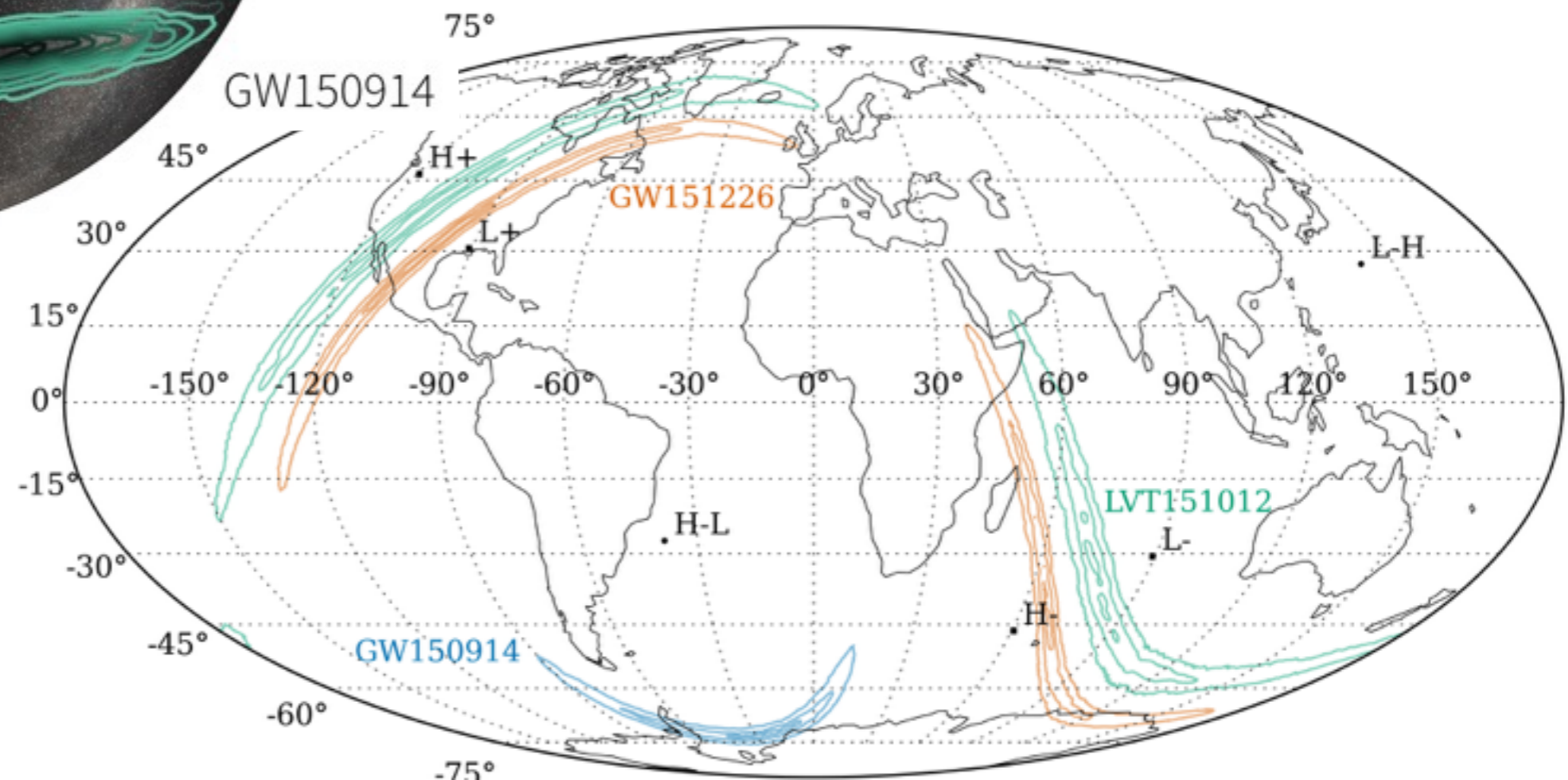
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It's hard to say...



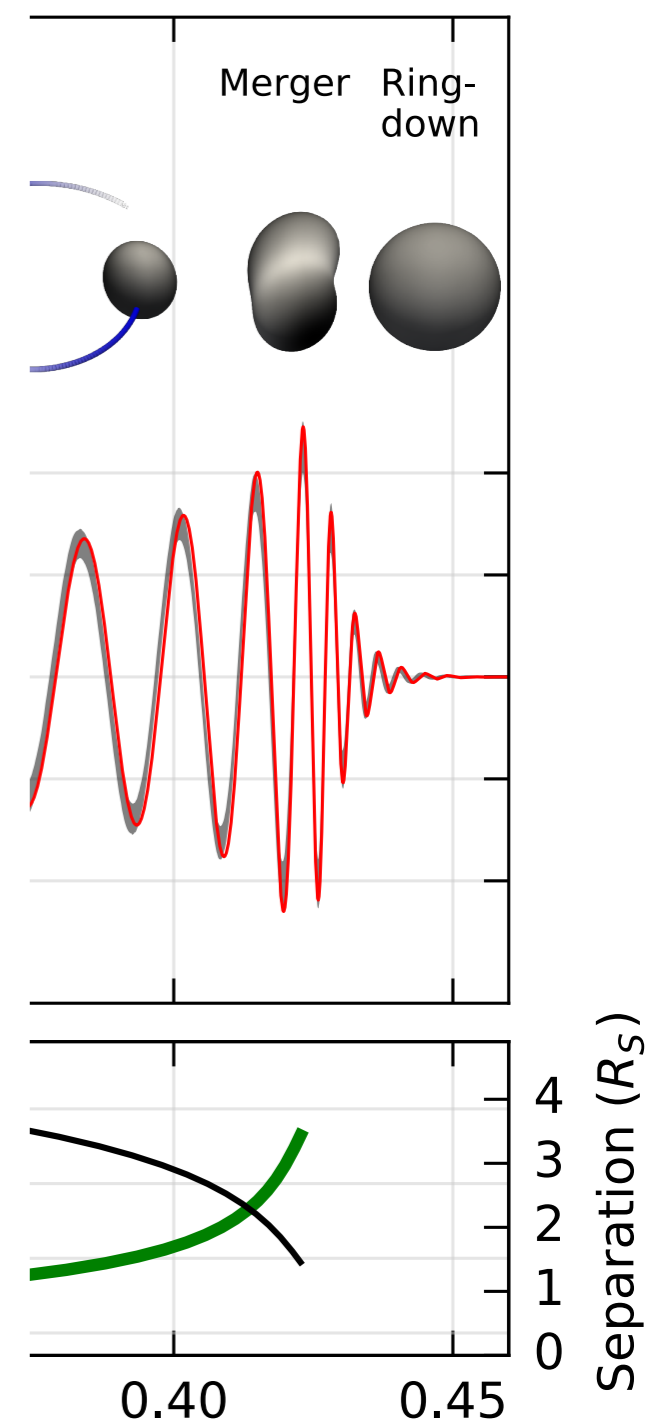
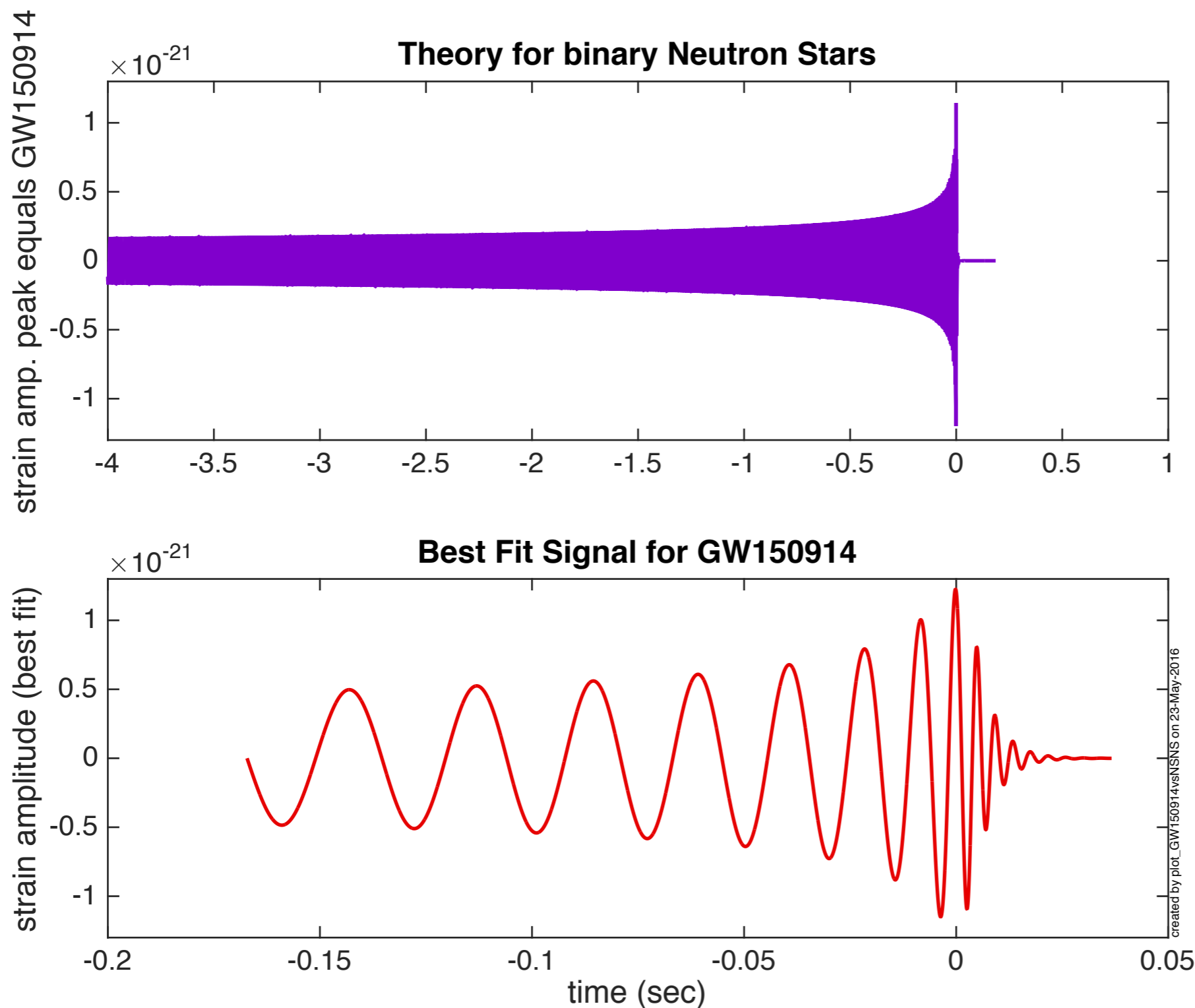
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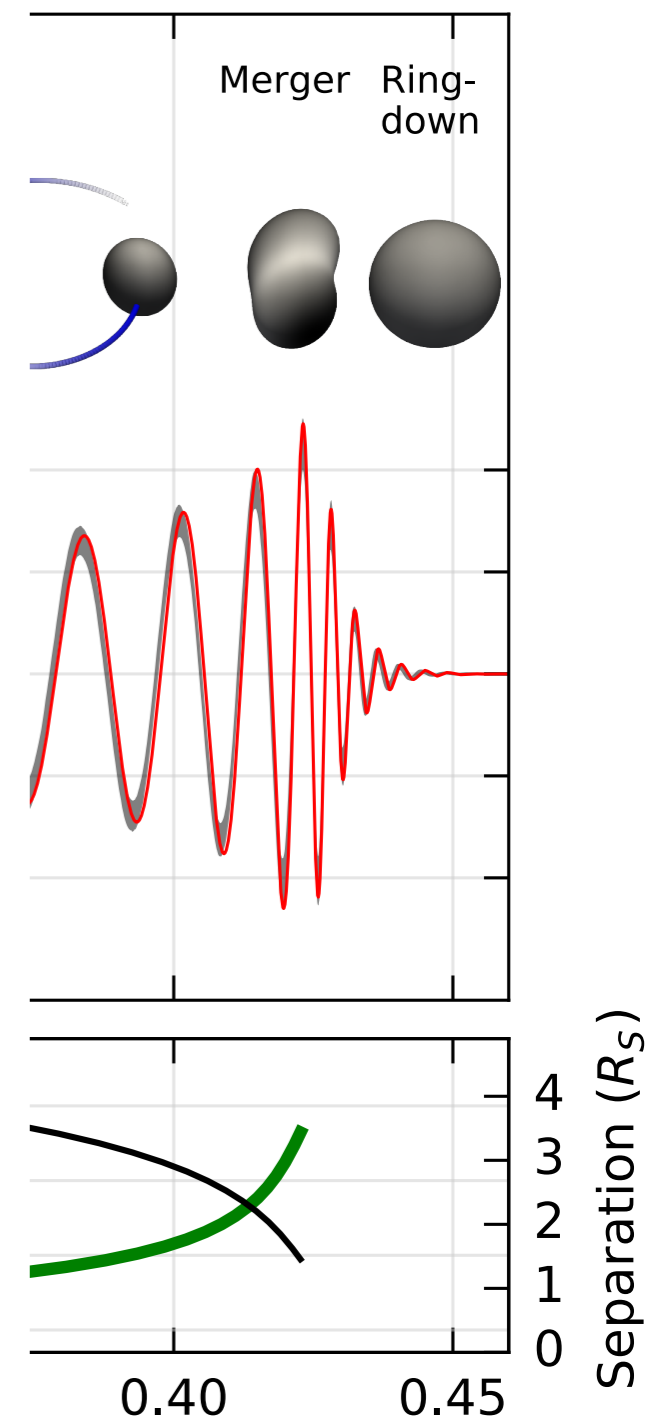
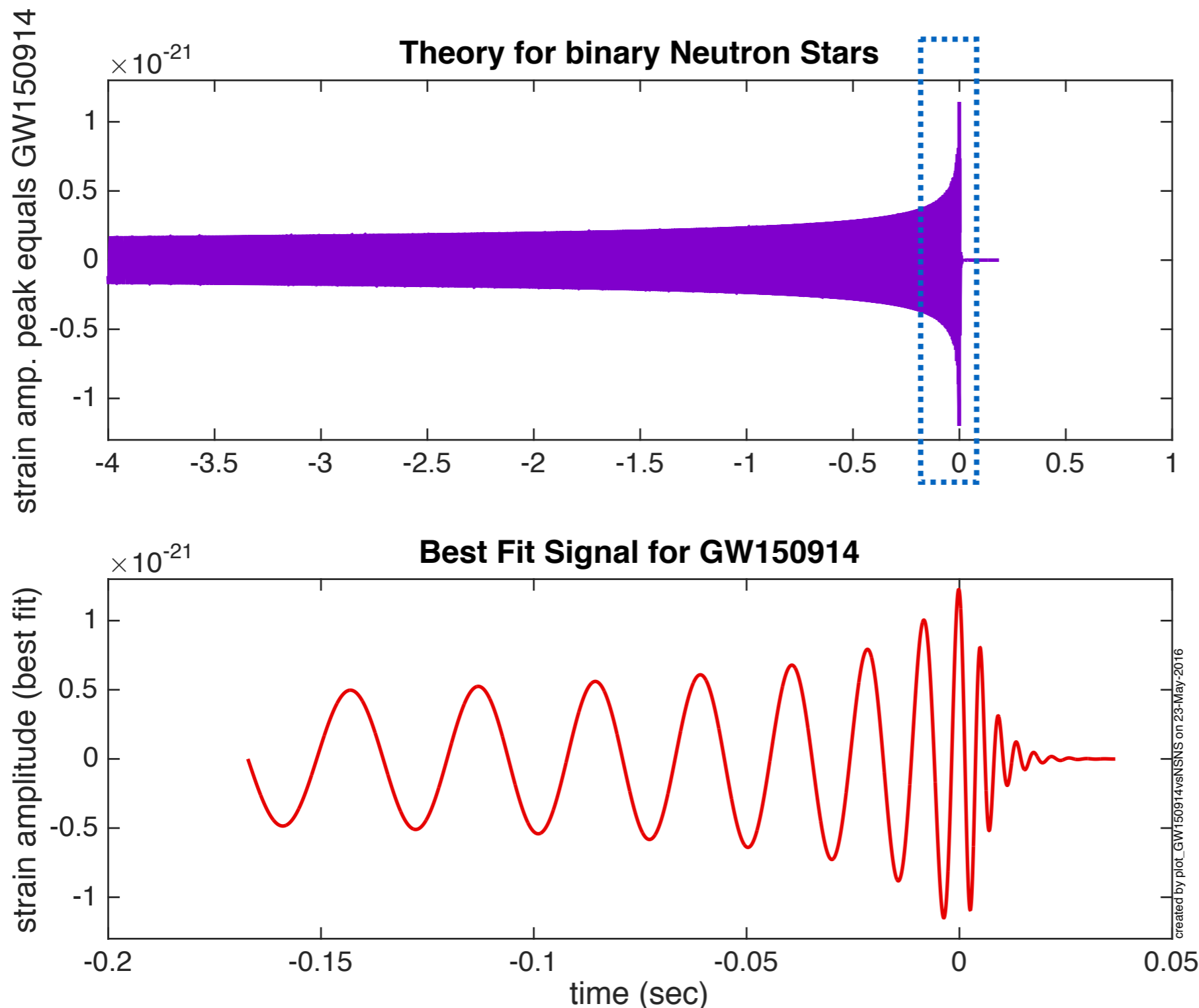
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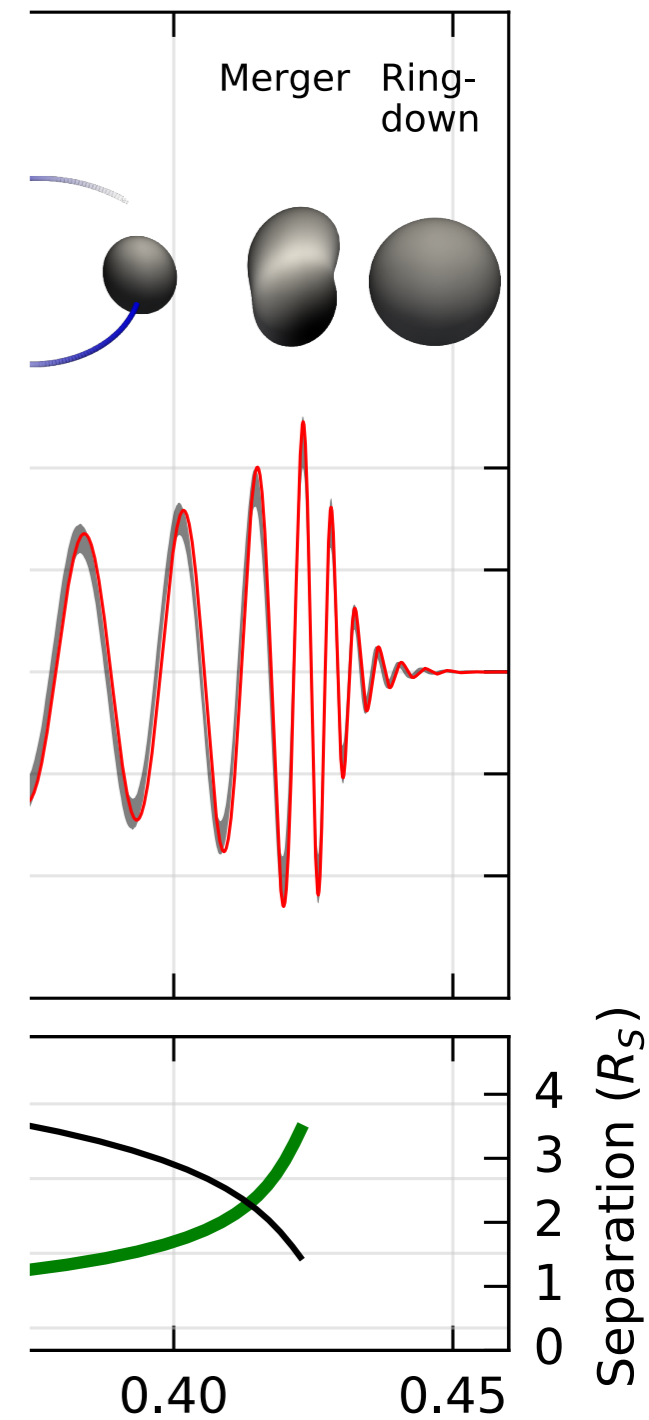
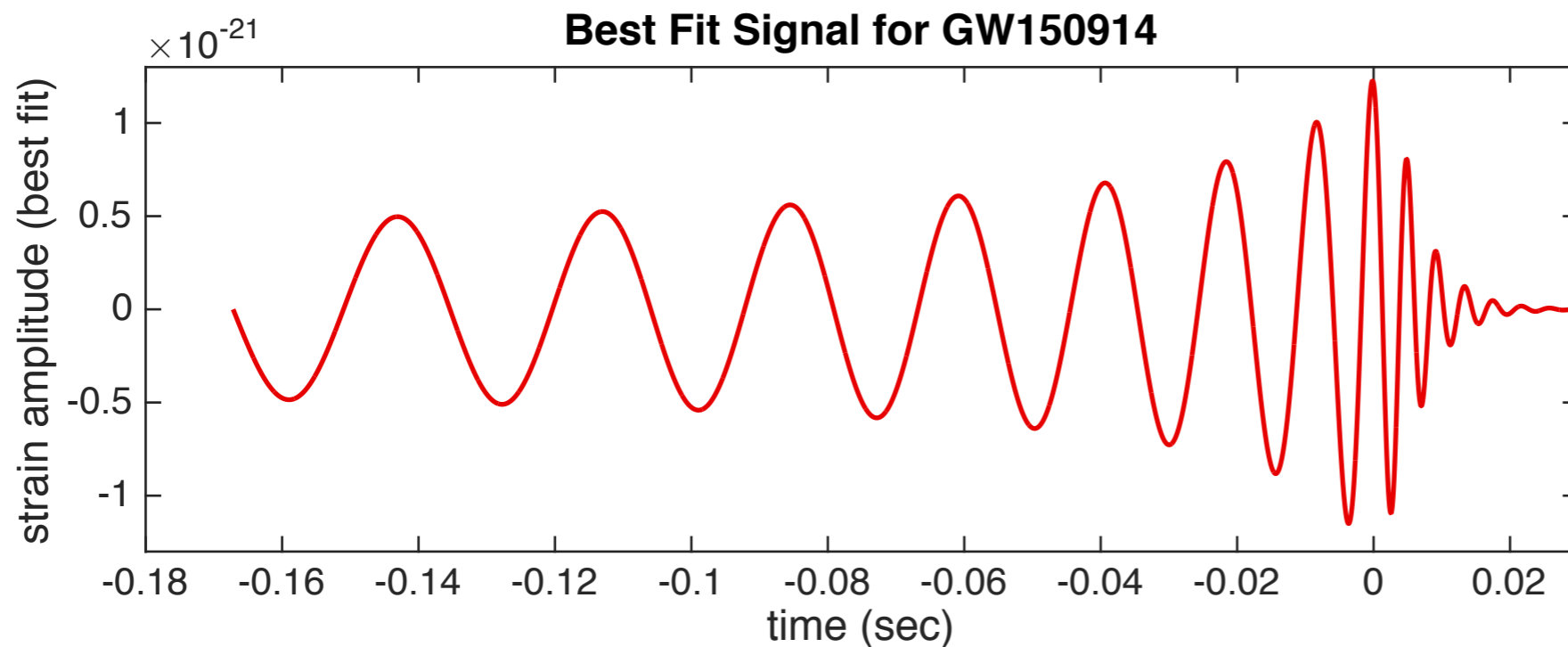
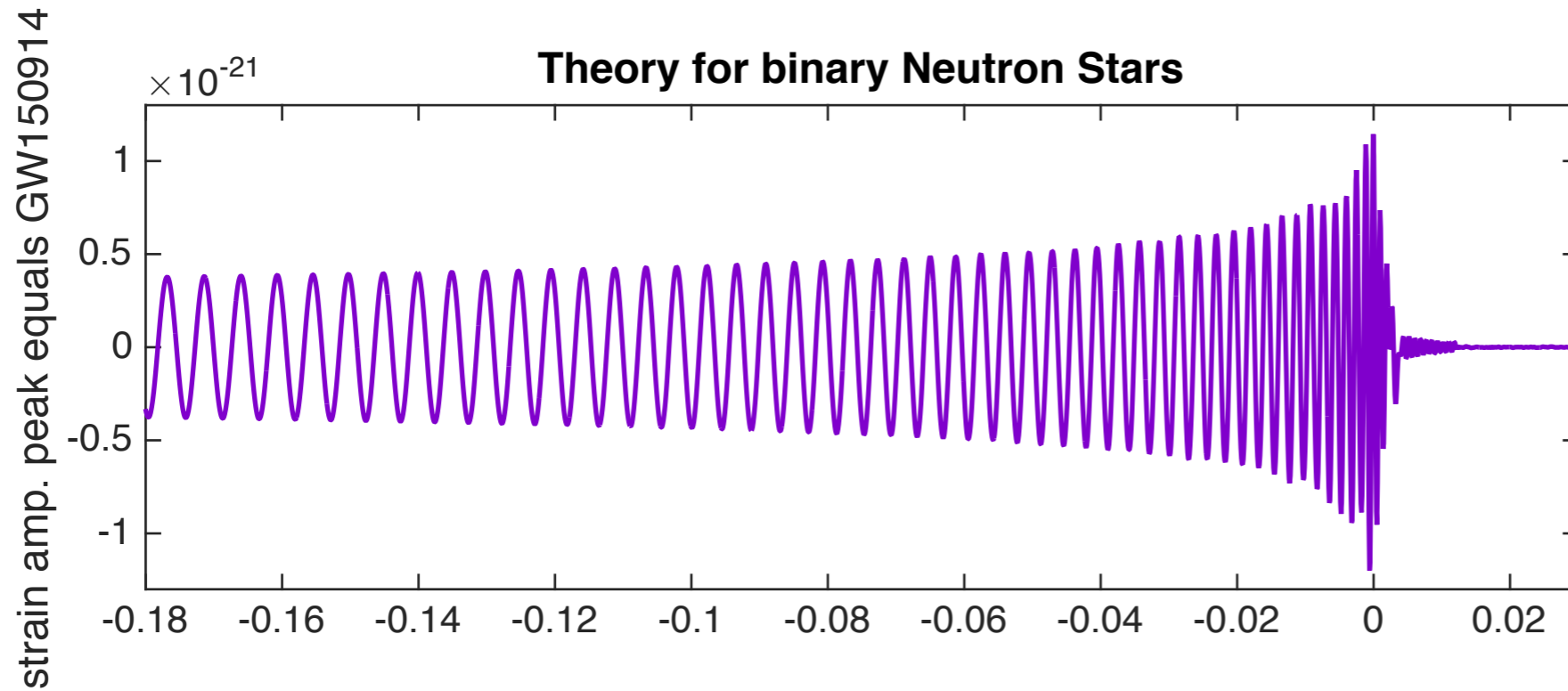
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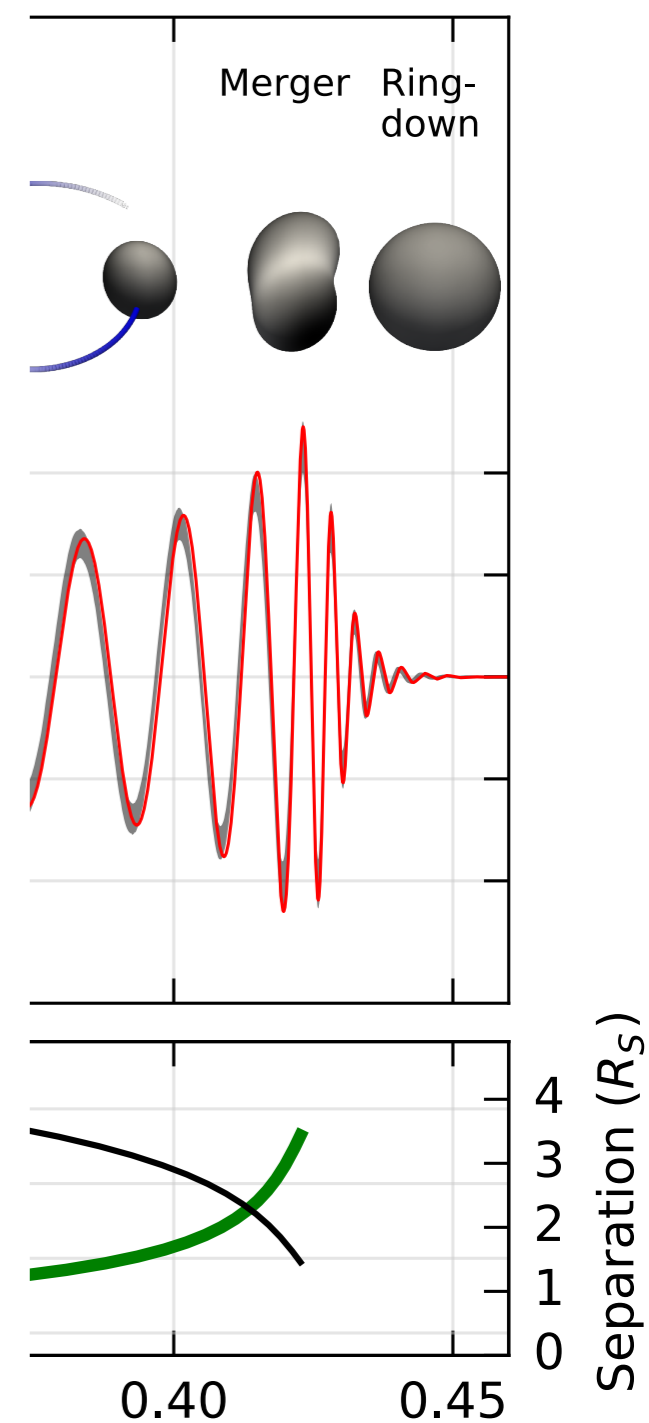
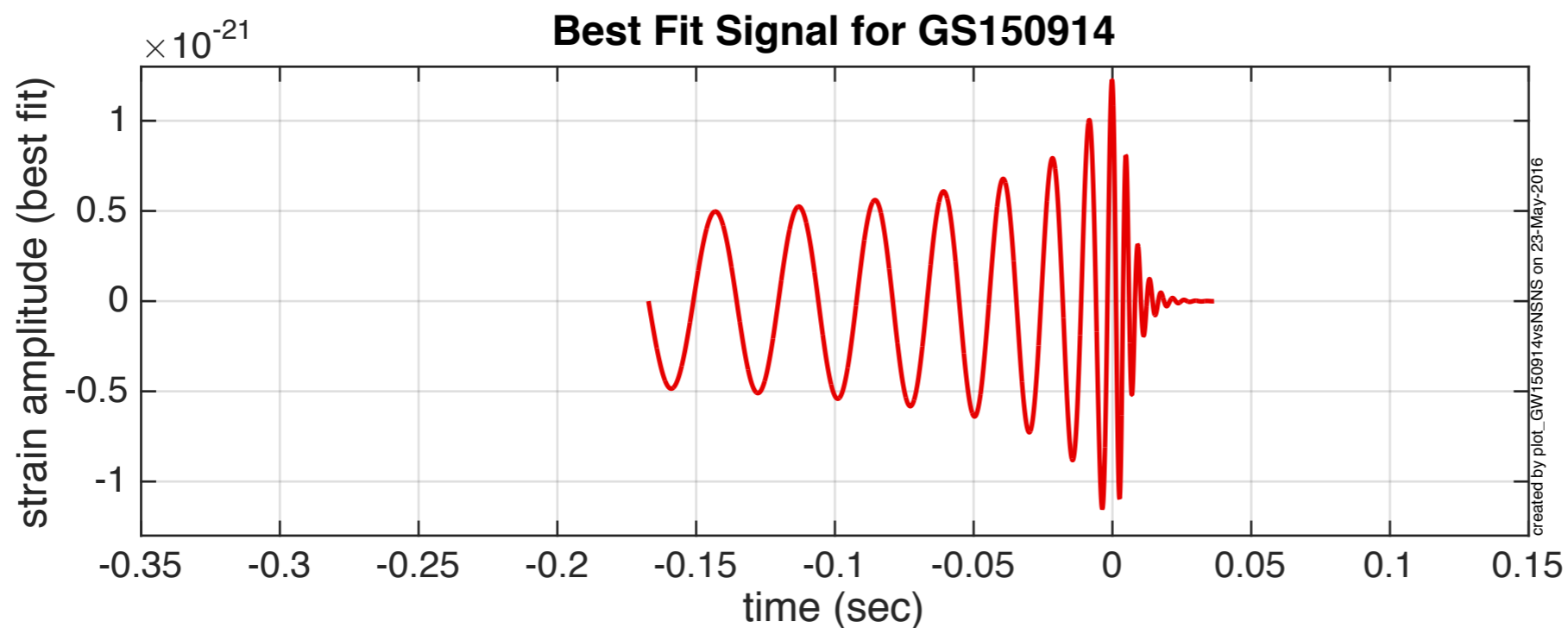
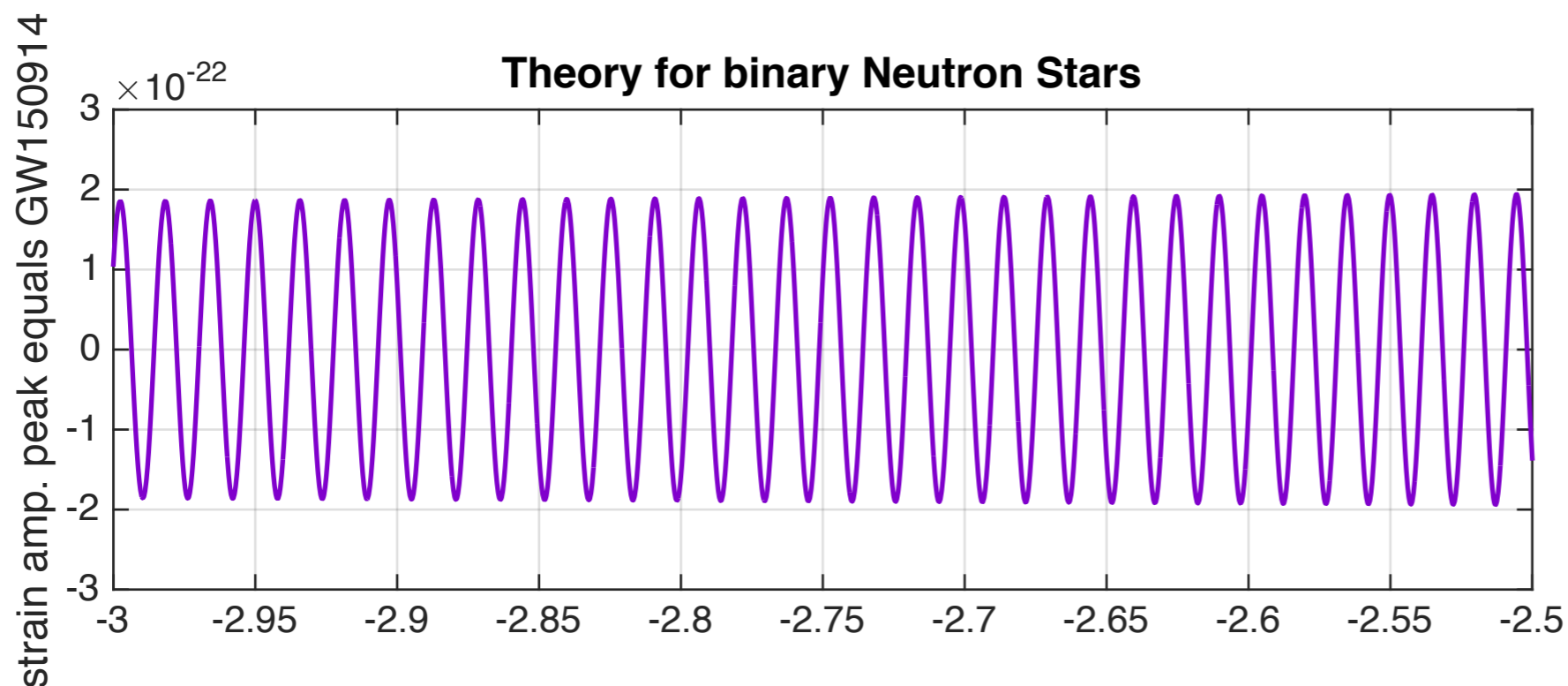


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Initial Masses:

29 (+4/-4) & 36 (+5/-4)  $M_{\text{sun}}$

Final Mass:

62 (+4/-4)  $M_{\text{sun}}$

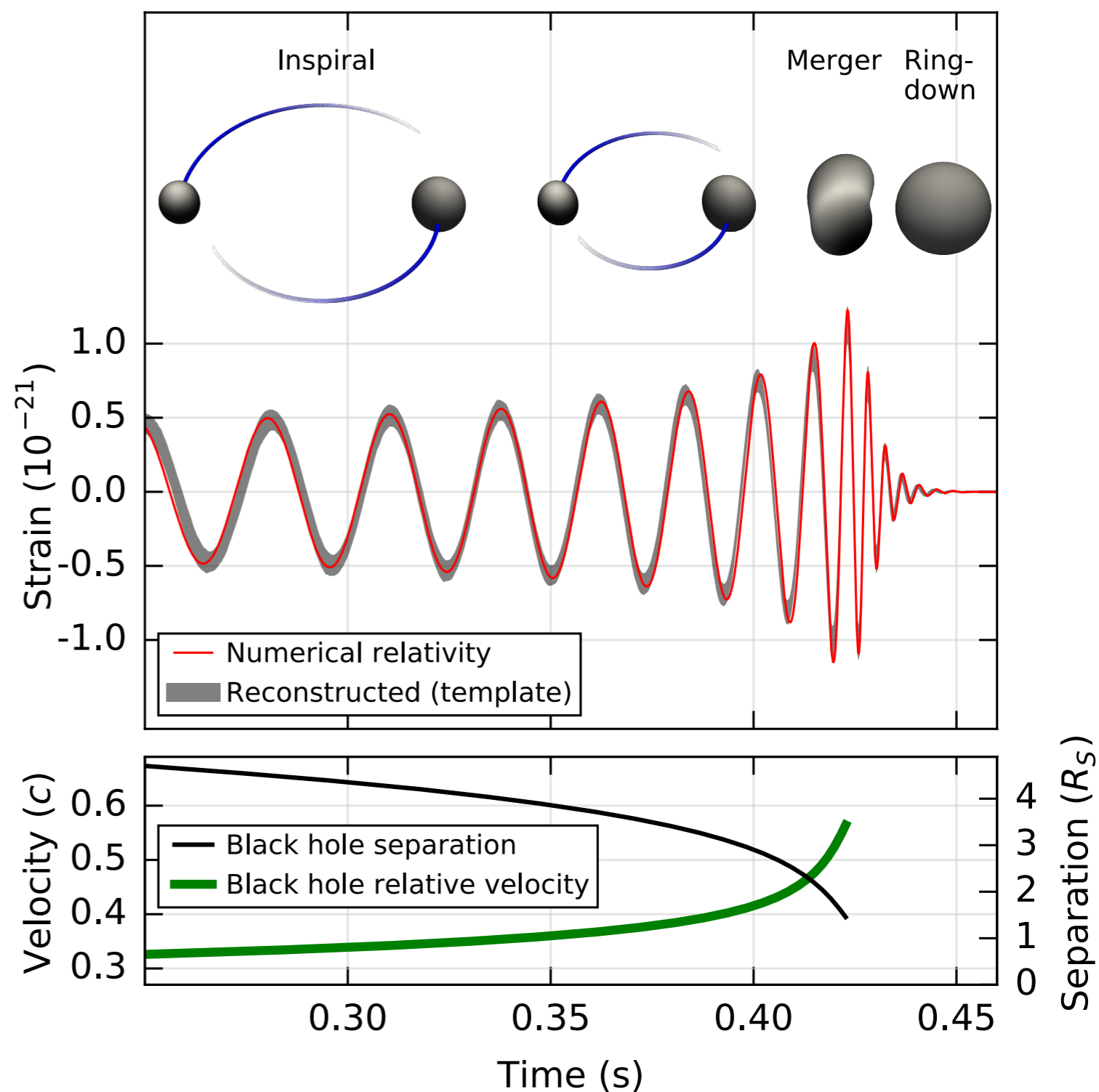
Distance

1.3 Billion light years

(410 (+160/-180) MPc)

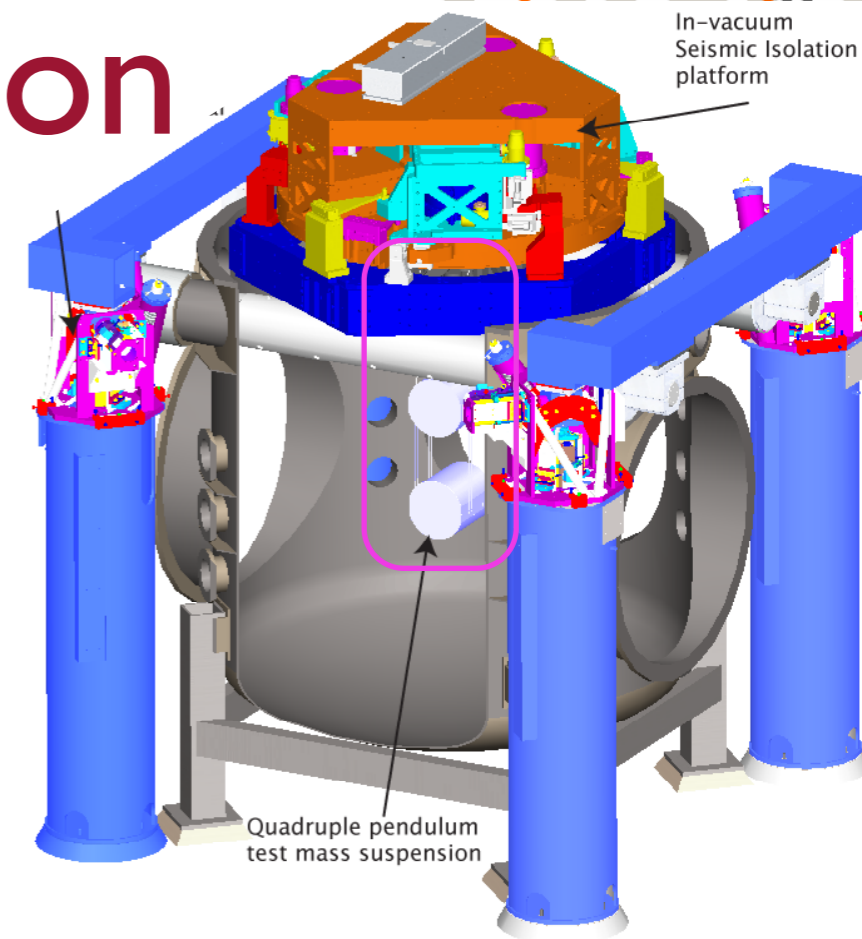
Energy radiated

3 (+0.5/-0.5)  $M_{\text{sun}} c^2$



# Pendulum Suspension

In-vacuum  
Seismic Isolation  
platform

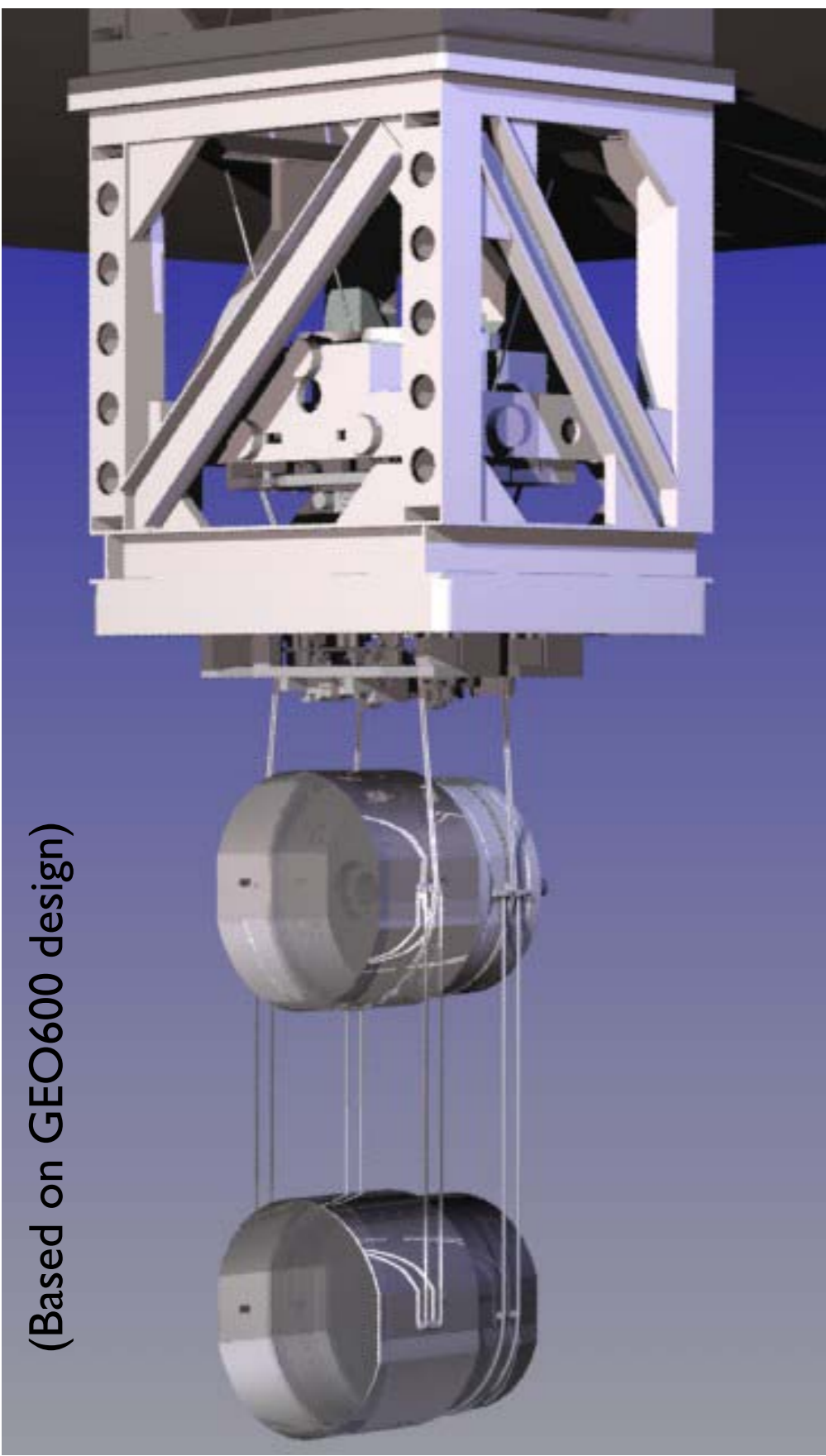


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Synthetic fused silica,  
40 kg mass  
34 cm diameter  
20 cm thick

Suspended as a  
4 stage pendulum

Best coatings available

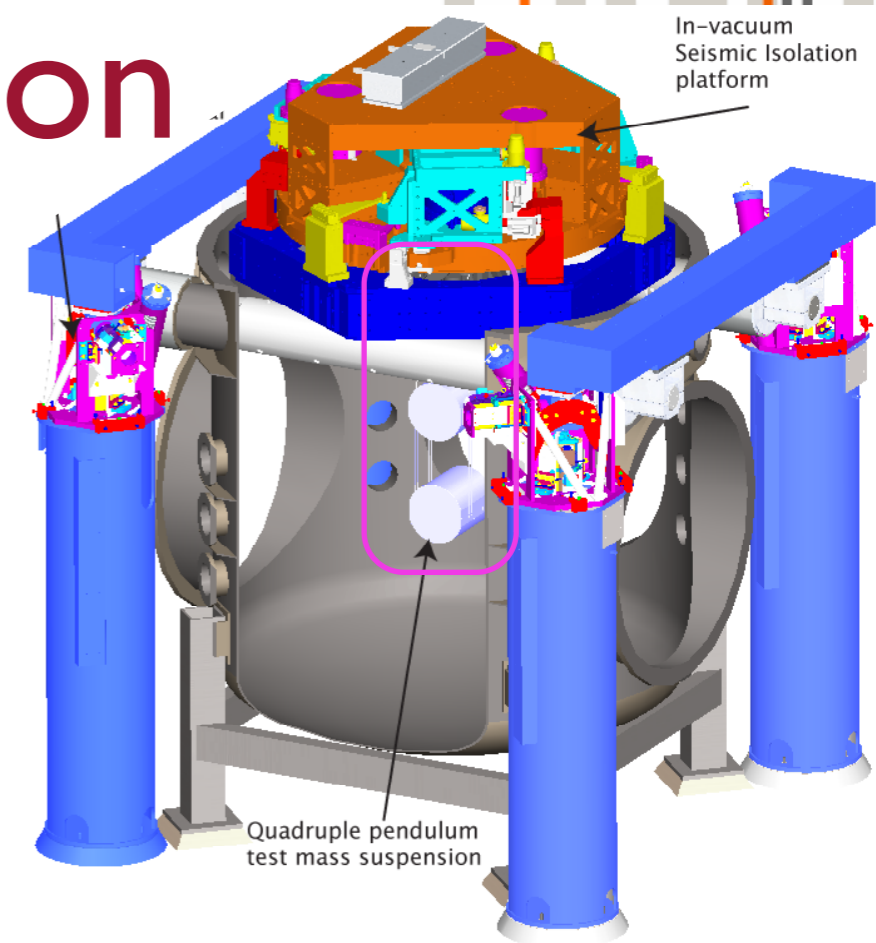
Motion at 10 Hz set by  
thermal driven vibration



(Based on GEO600 design)

silicate bonding creates a monolithic final stage

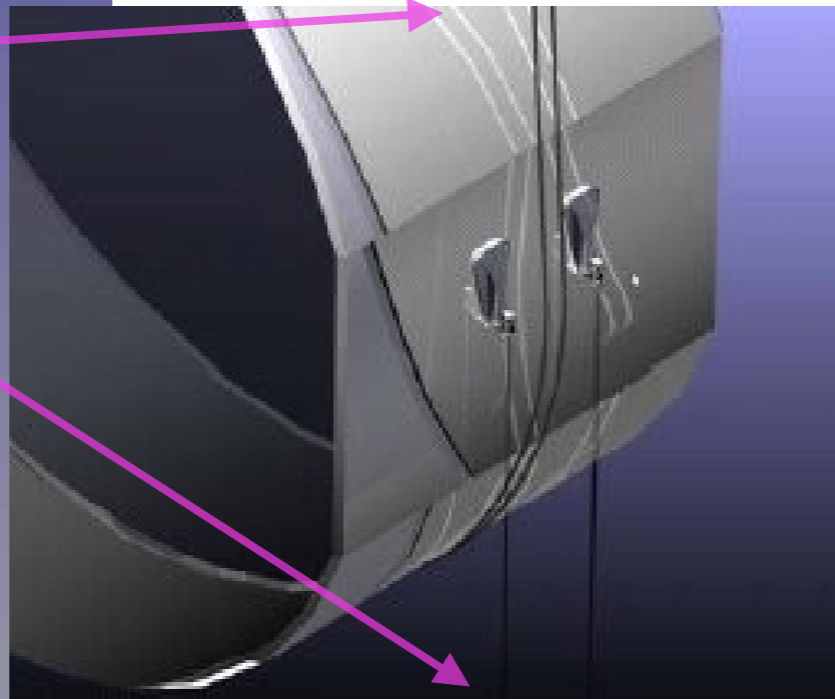
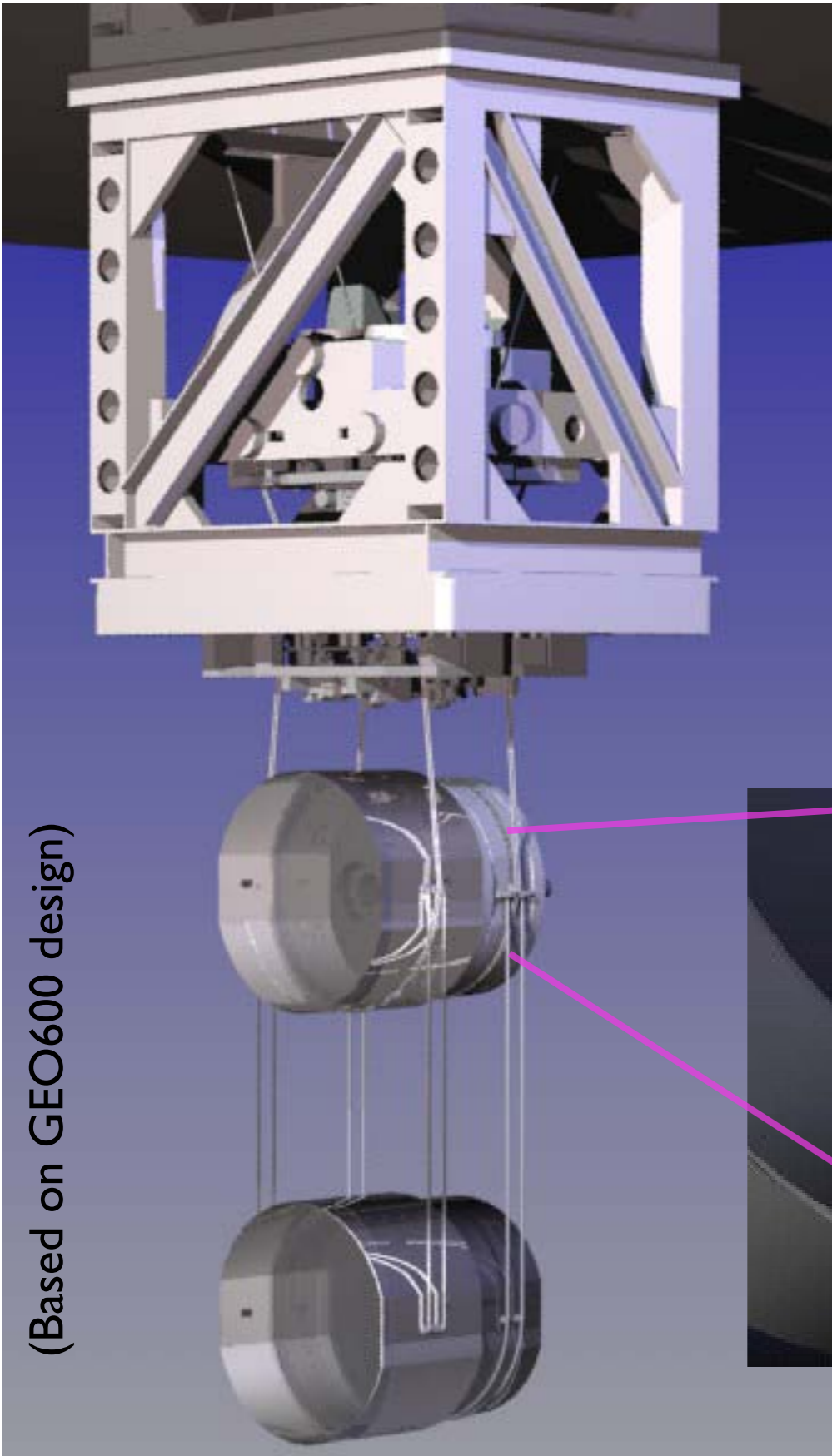
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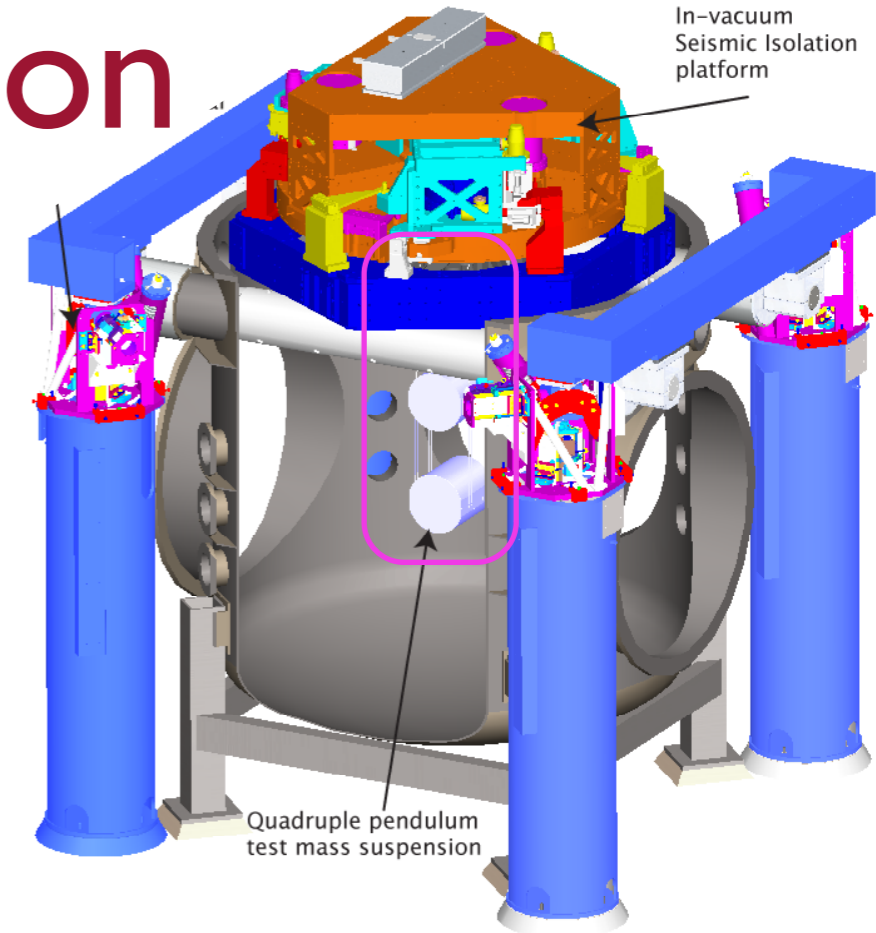
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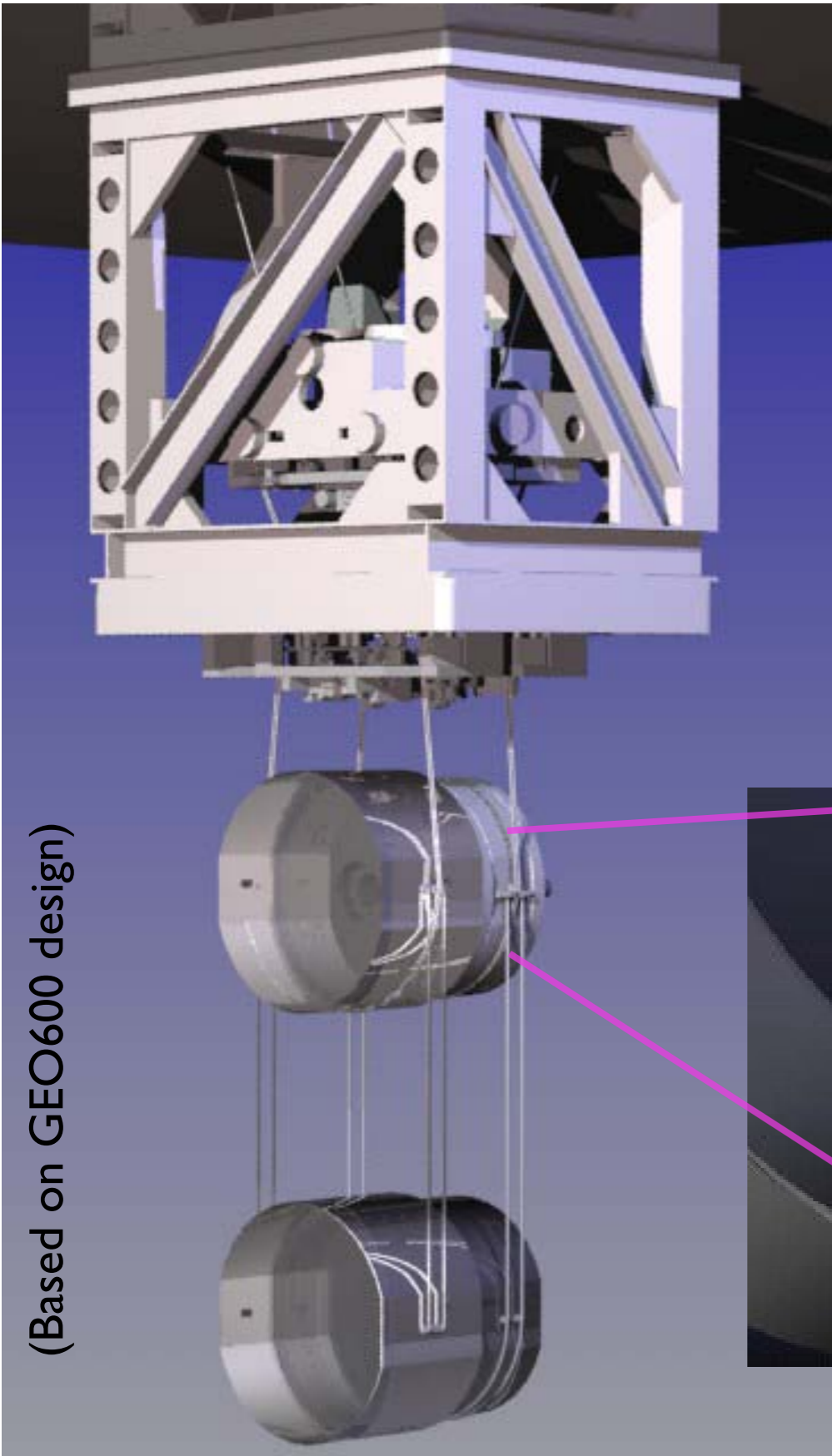
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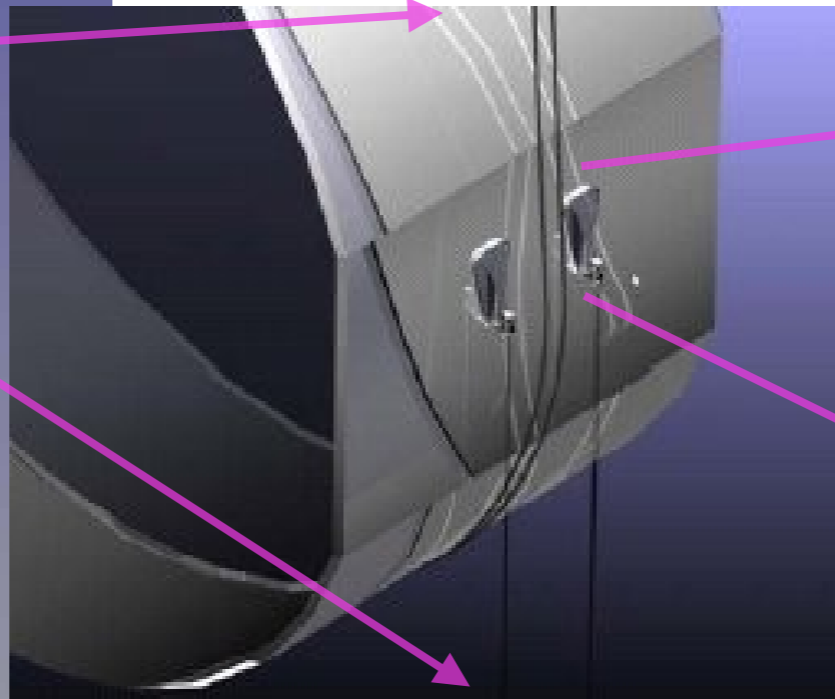
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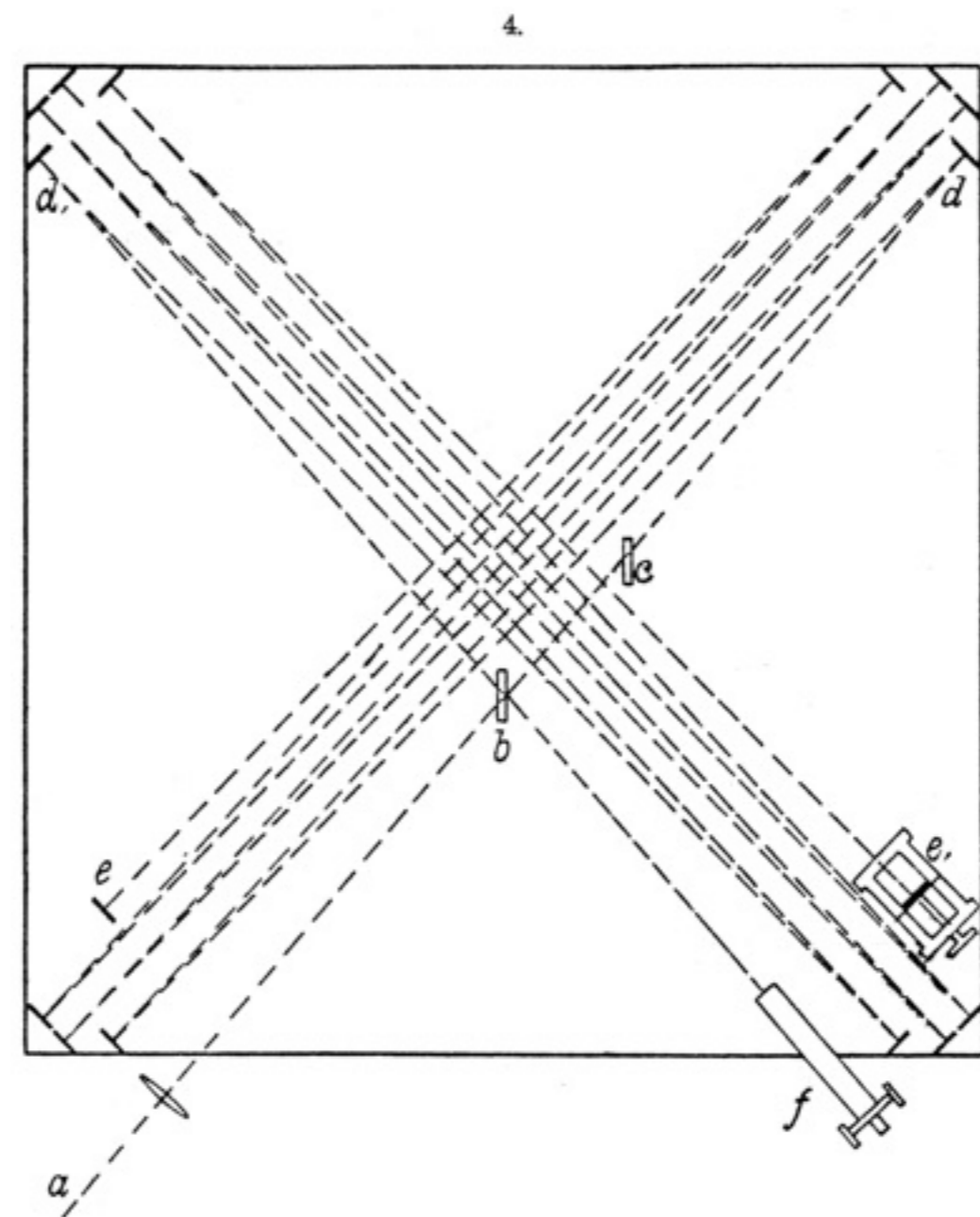
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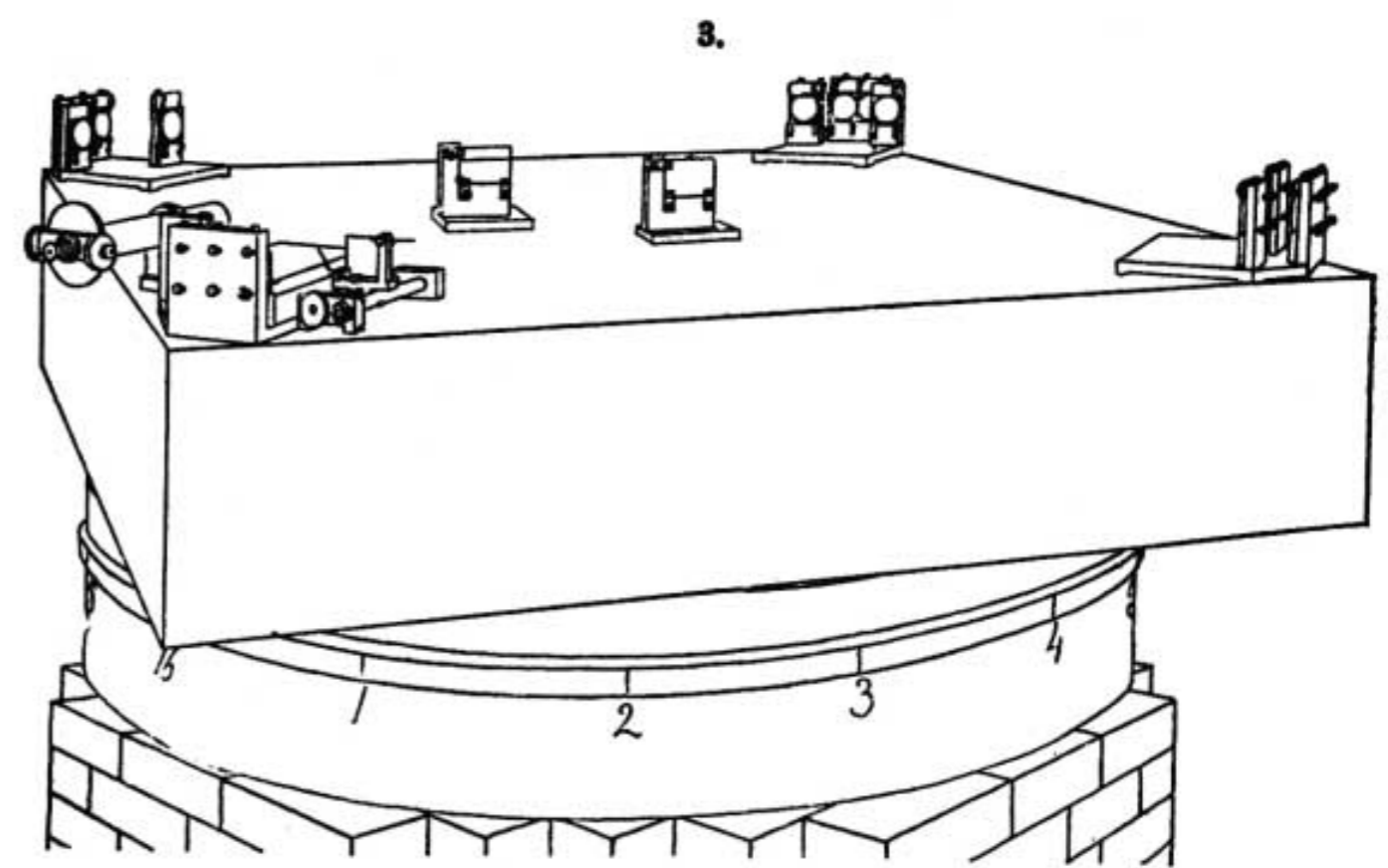
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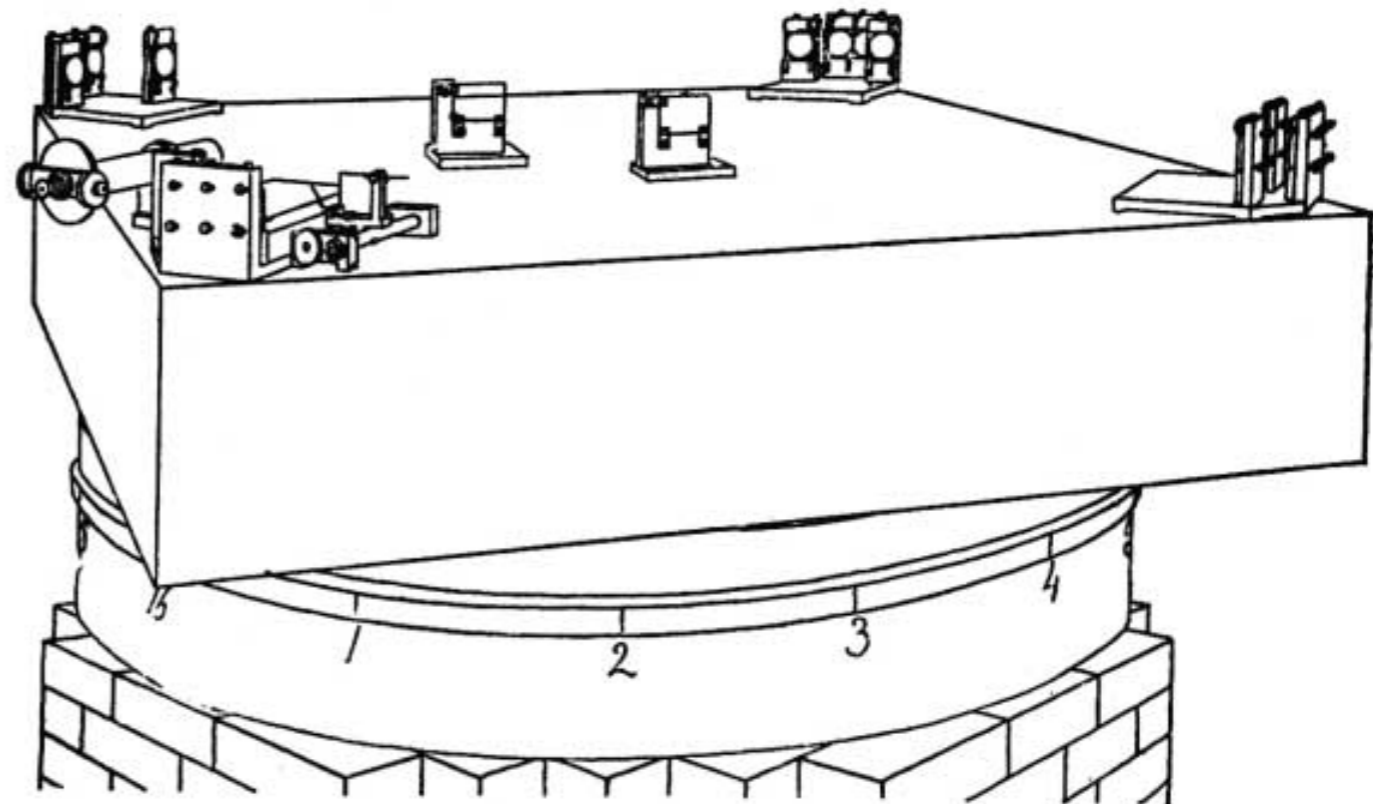
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In the first experiment one of the principal difficulties encountered was that of revolving the apparatus without producing distortion; and another was its extreme sensitiveness to vibration. This was so great that it was impossible to see the interference fringes except at brief intervals when working in the city, even at two o'clock in the morning.

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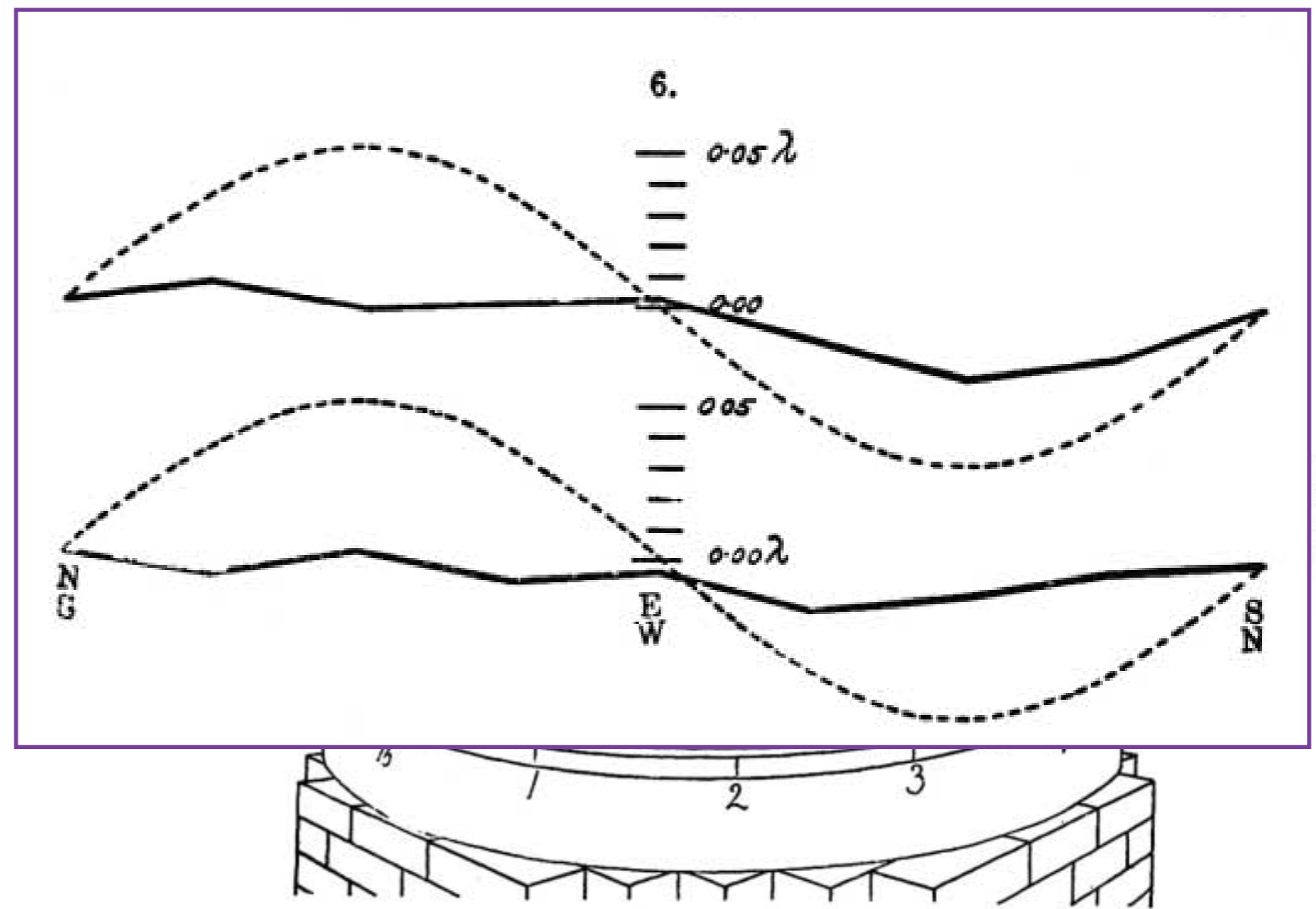
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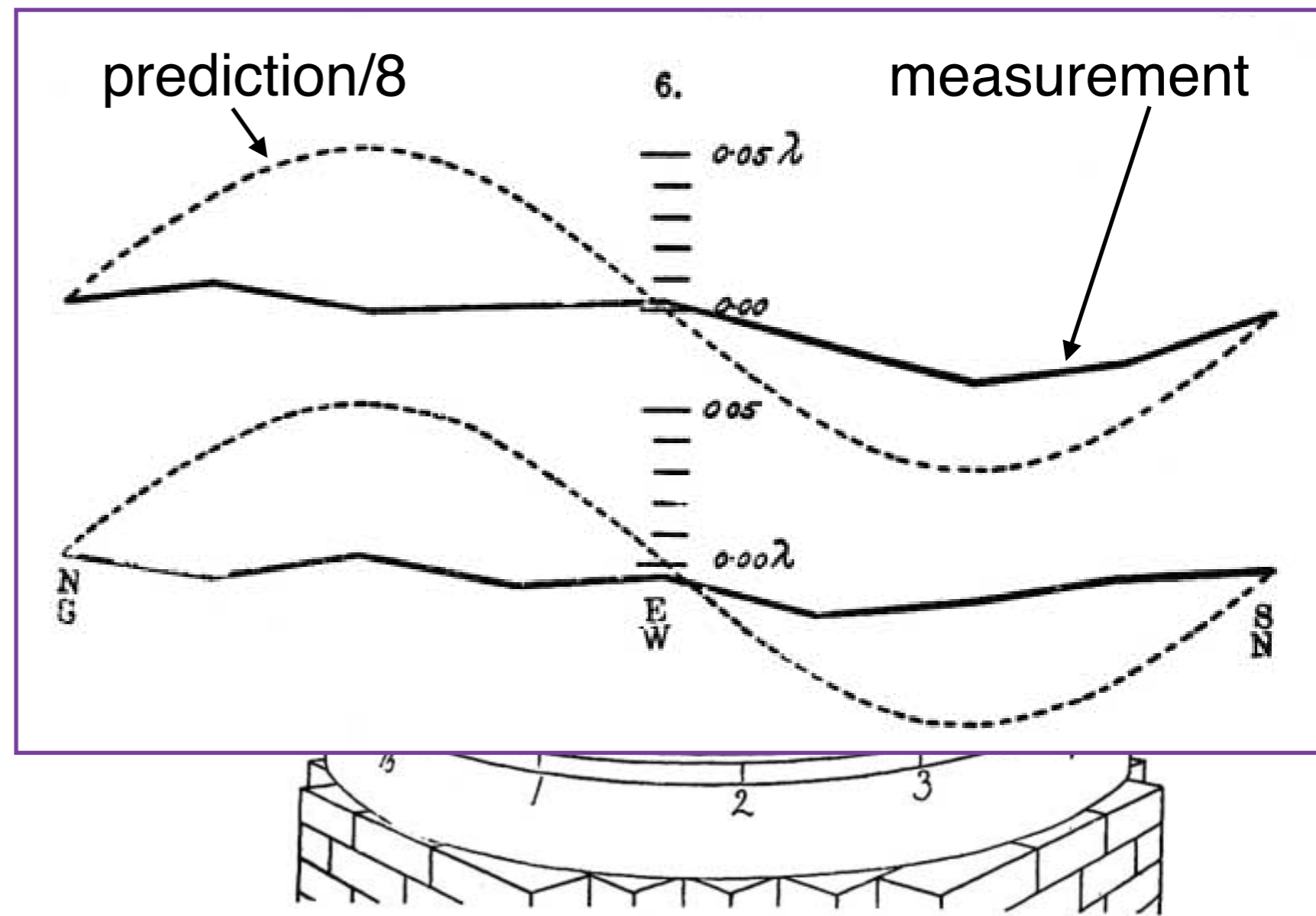
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story outline:

prep the detector -

it goes boop

look at time trace of signal -

discuss params, firsts

character of BBH vs BNS

move to astronomy

show time line

discuss second event,

show time, match filters

describe O2/ O3

other

notes:

$$\gg r1 = 2 * G * Ms / c^2$$

$$r1 = 2.9644e+03 \text{ (3 km)}$$

$$\gg r30 = 2 * G * 30 * Ms / c^2$$

$$r30 = 8.8933e+04 \text{ (89 km): } 2*r30 = 188 \text{ km}$$

(SF center, santa rosa to hollister)

$$r70 = 2 * G * 70 * Ms / c^2$$

$$r70 = 2.0751e+05$$

monterey to fresno ~ 180 km

$$1.5 * r65 = 290 \text{ km}$$

SF to Reno = 295 km

monterey to lake tahoe = 310 km

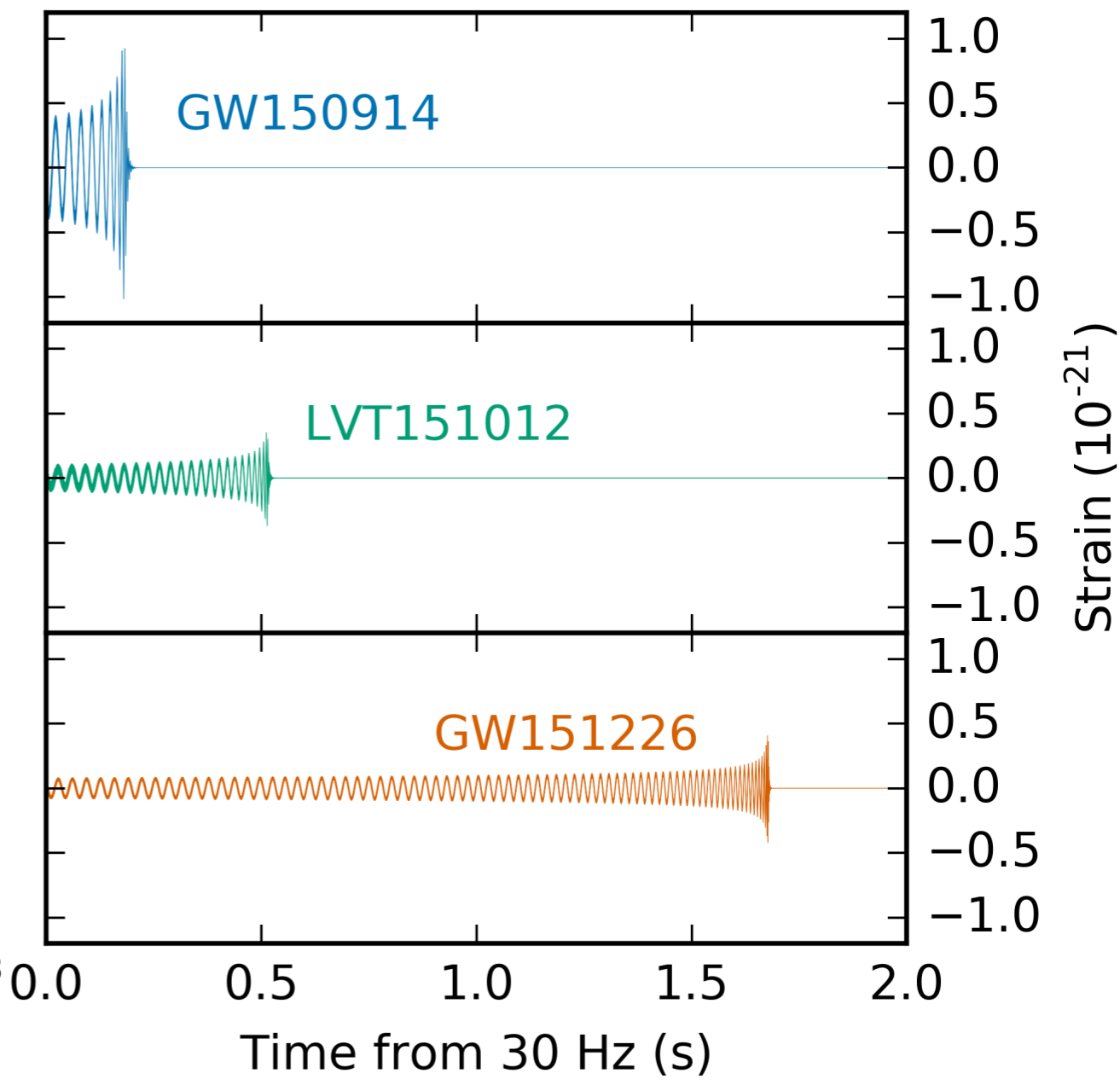
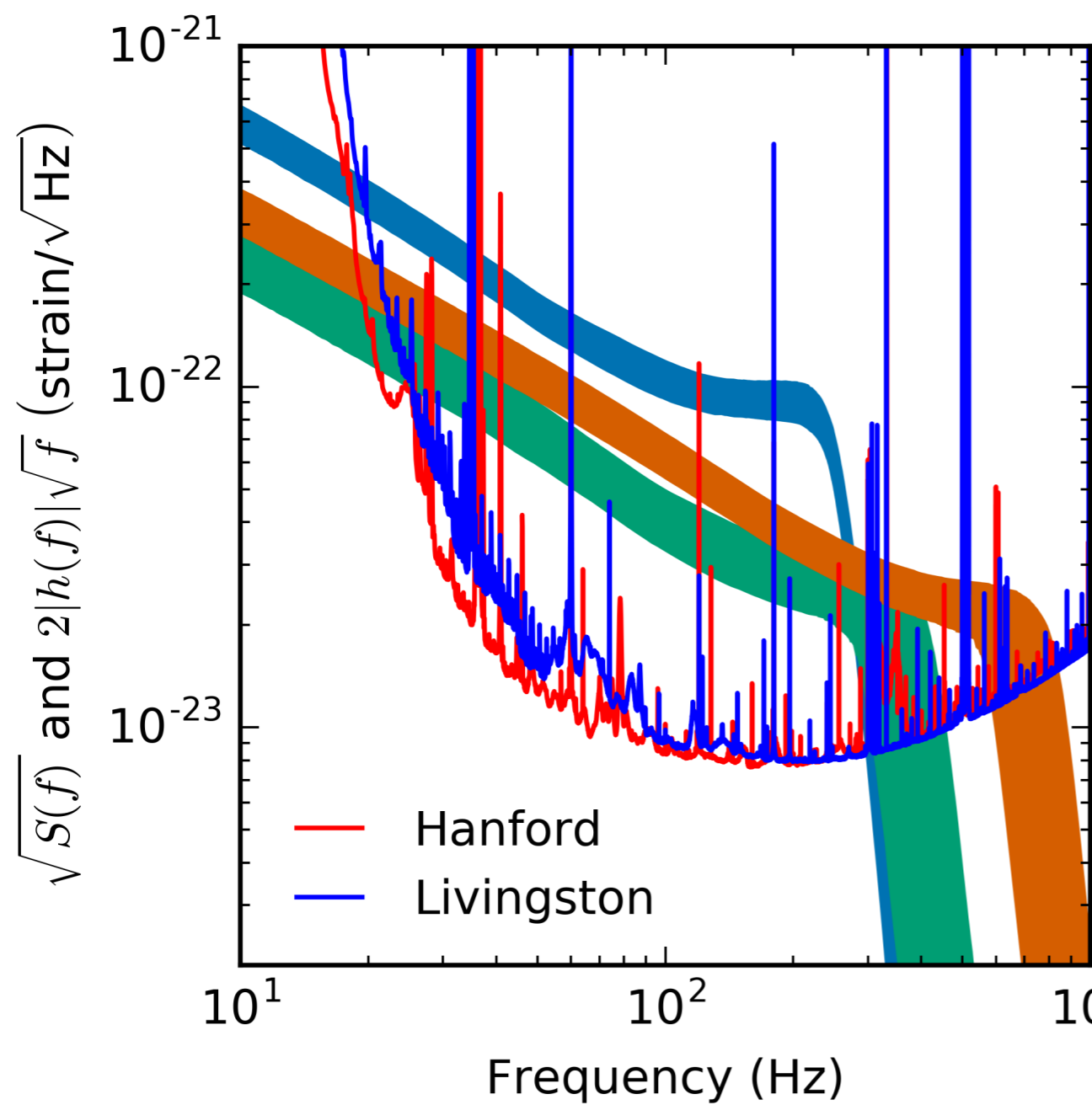
1/75 Hz = 13.3 msec. (in traffic)

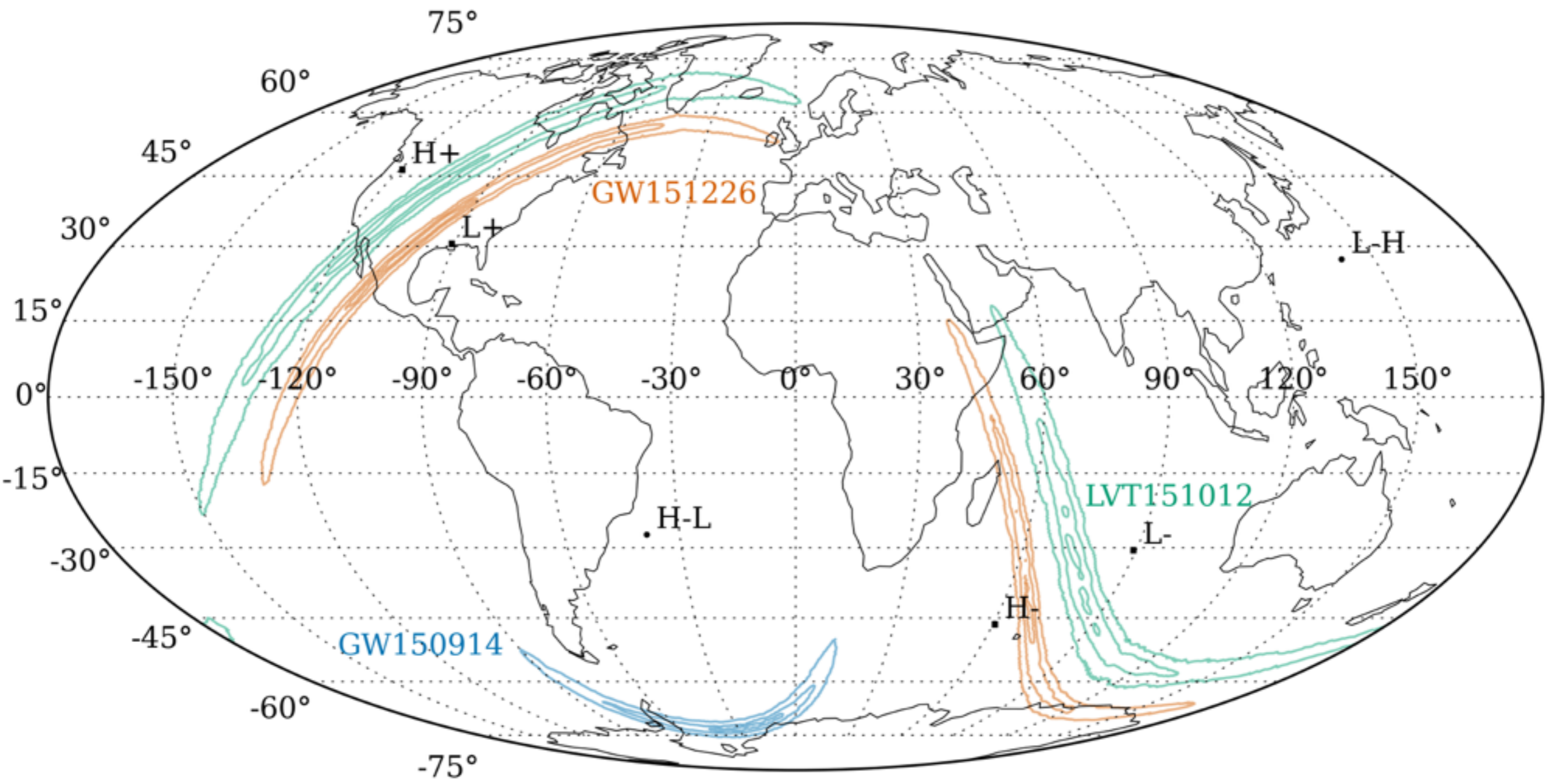
$$d = 410 * 3.086e22 = 1.2653e+25 \text{ meters}$$

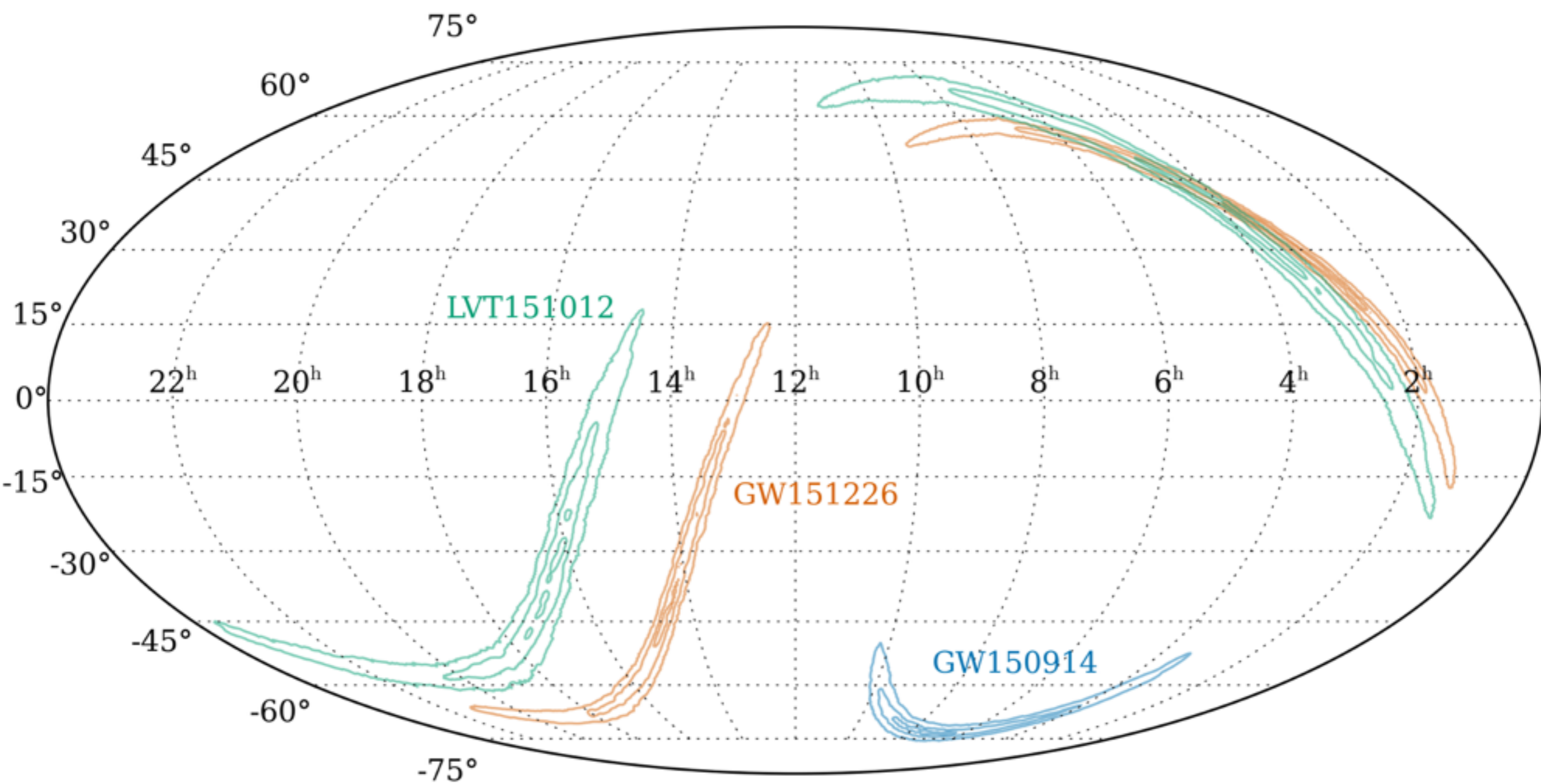
$$1e-3/1e-21 = 1e18; 1.27e25 / 1e18 = 1.27e7 \text{ 12,000 km}$$

diam of earth = 13.7 K km

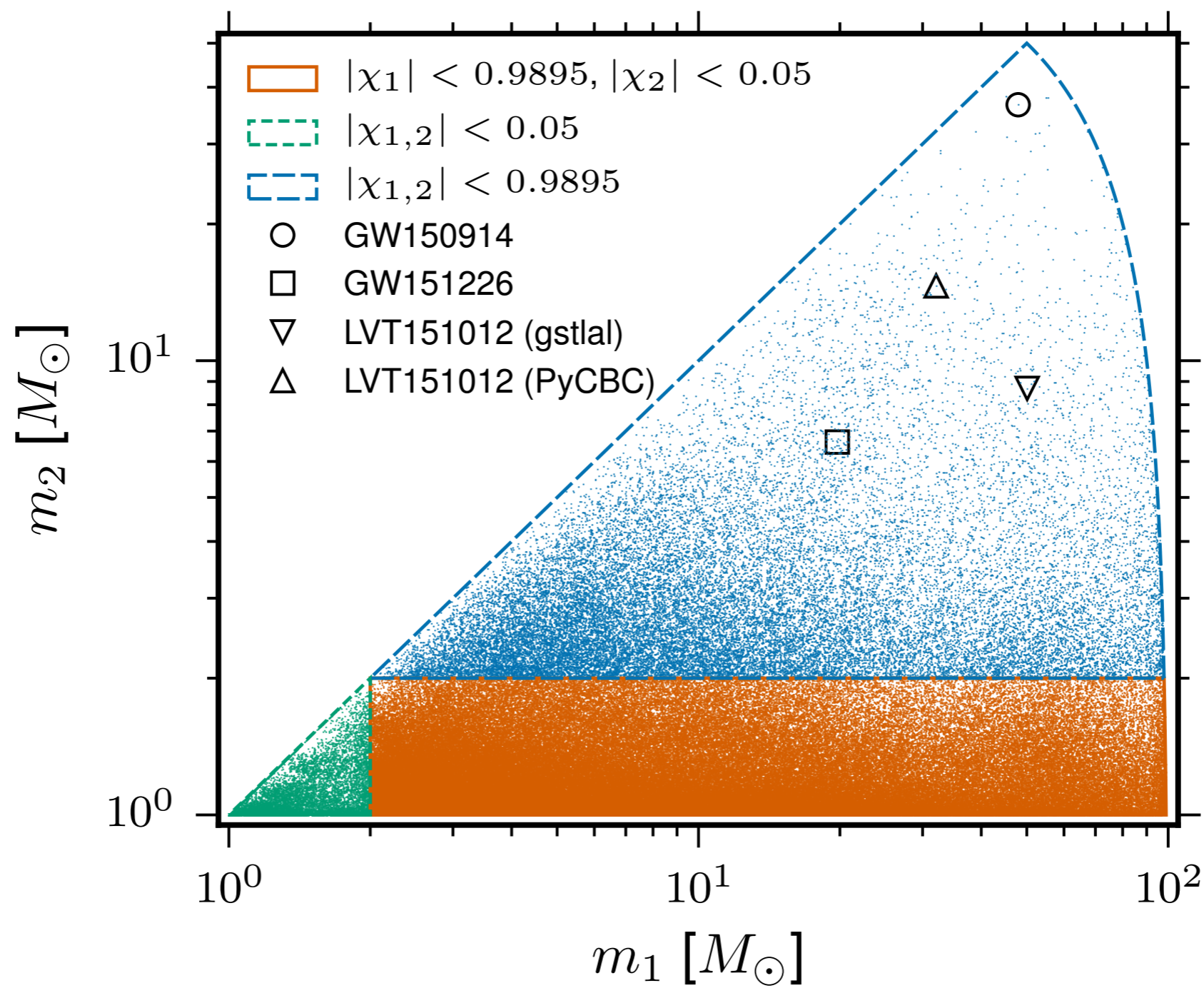
SF to Reno = 295 km



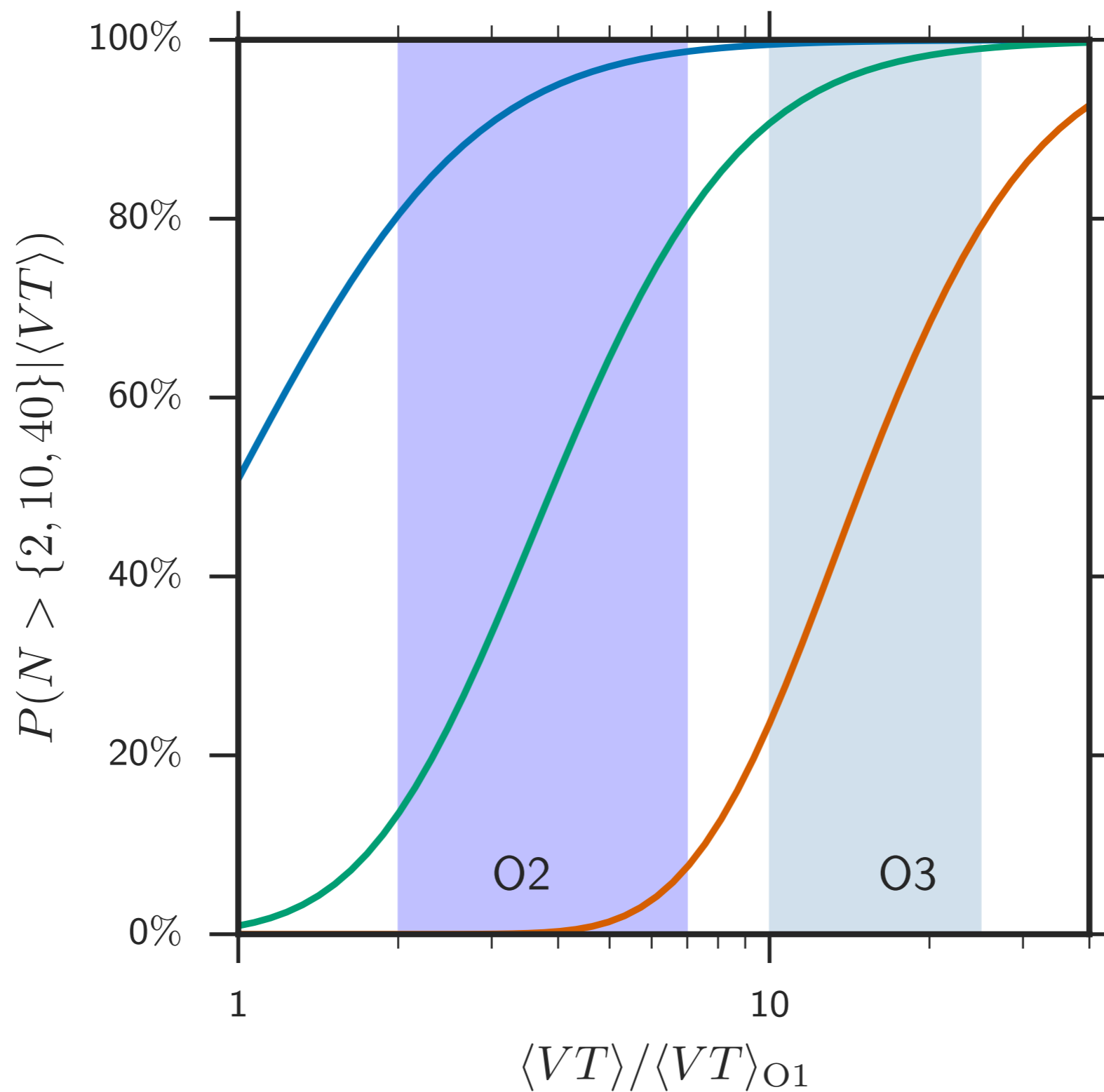


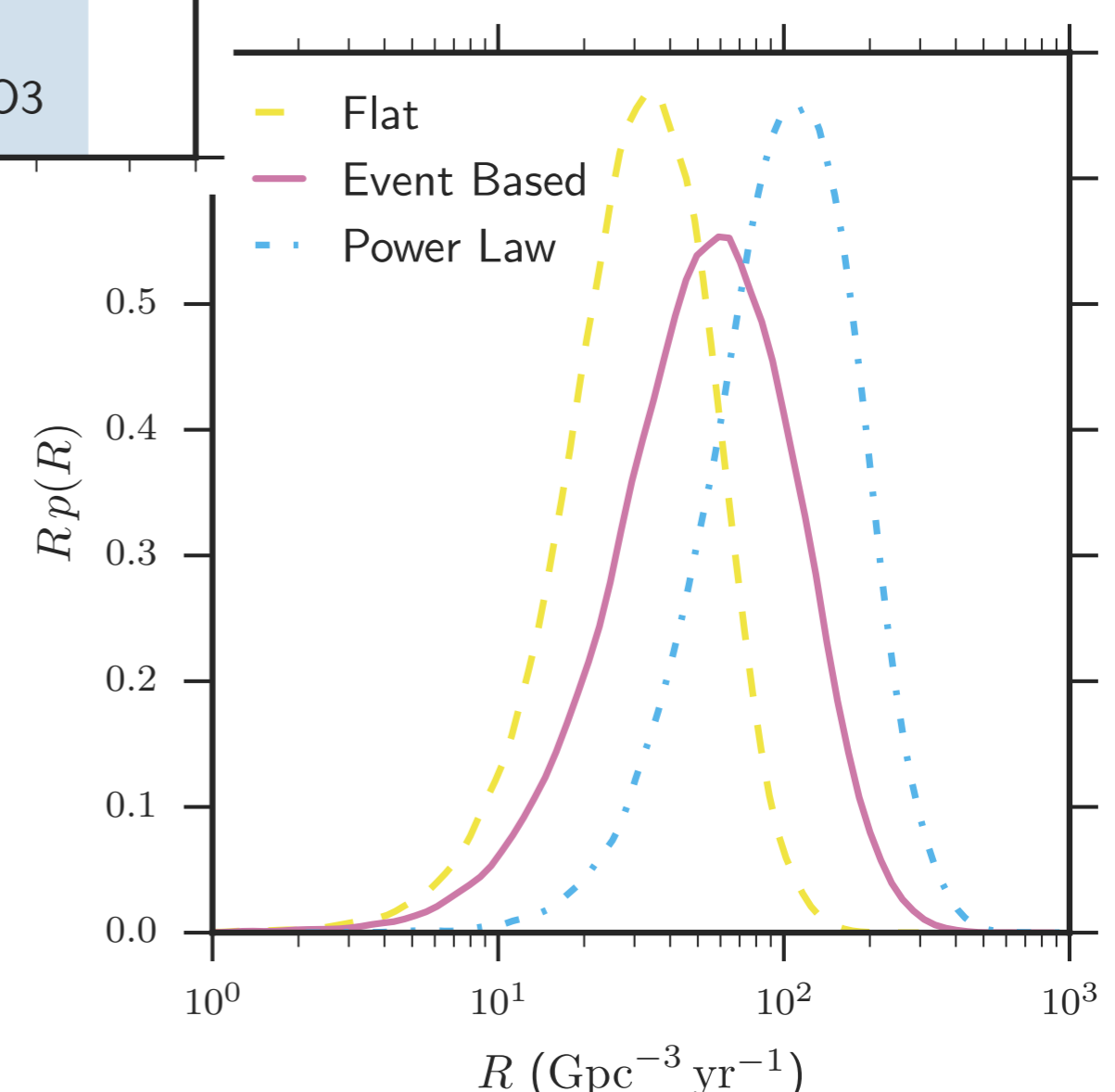
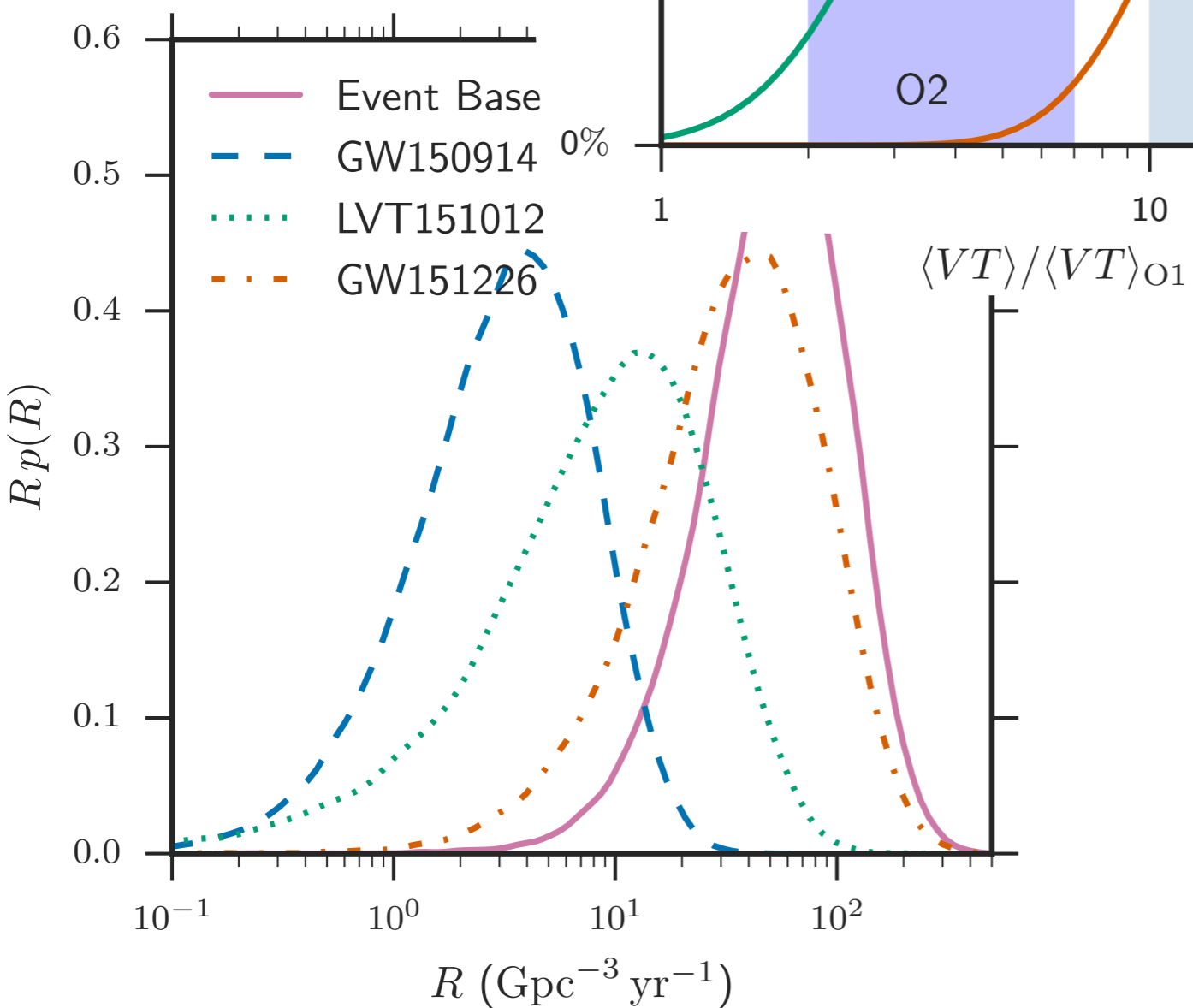
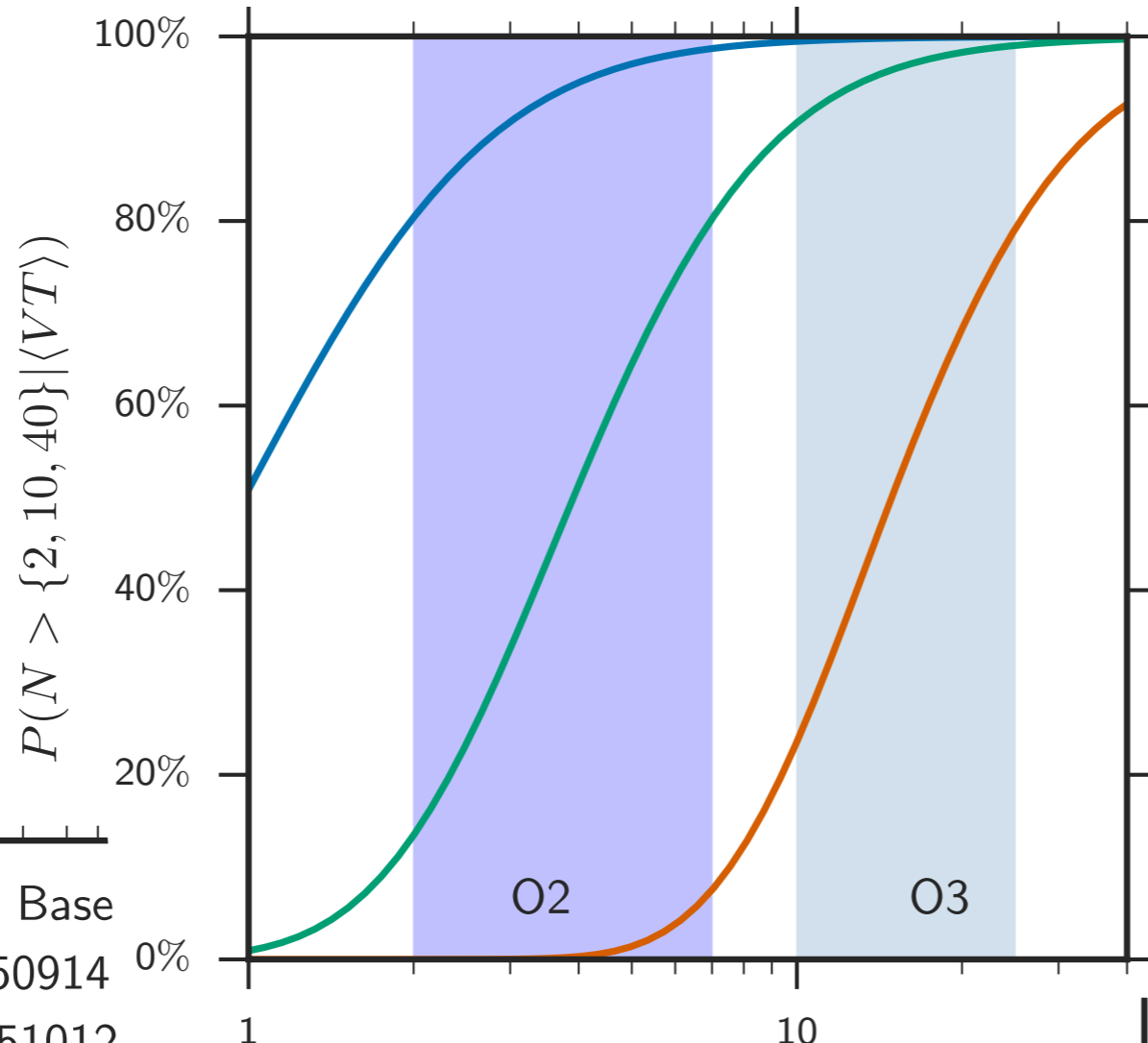


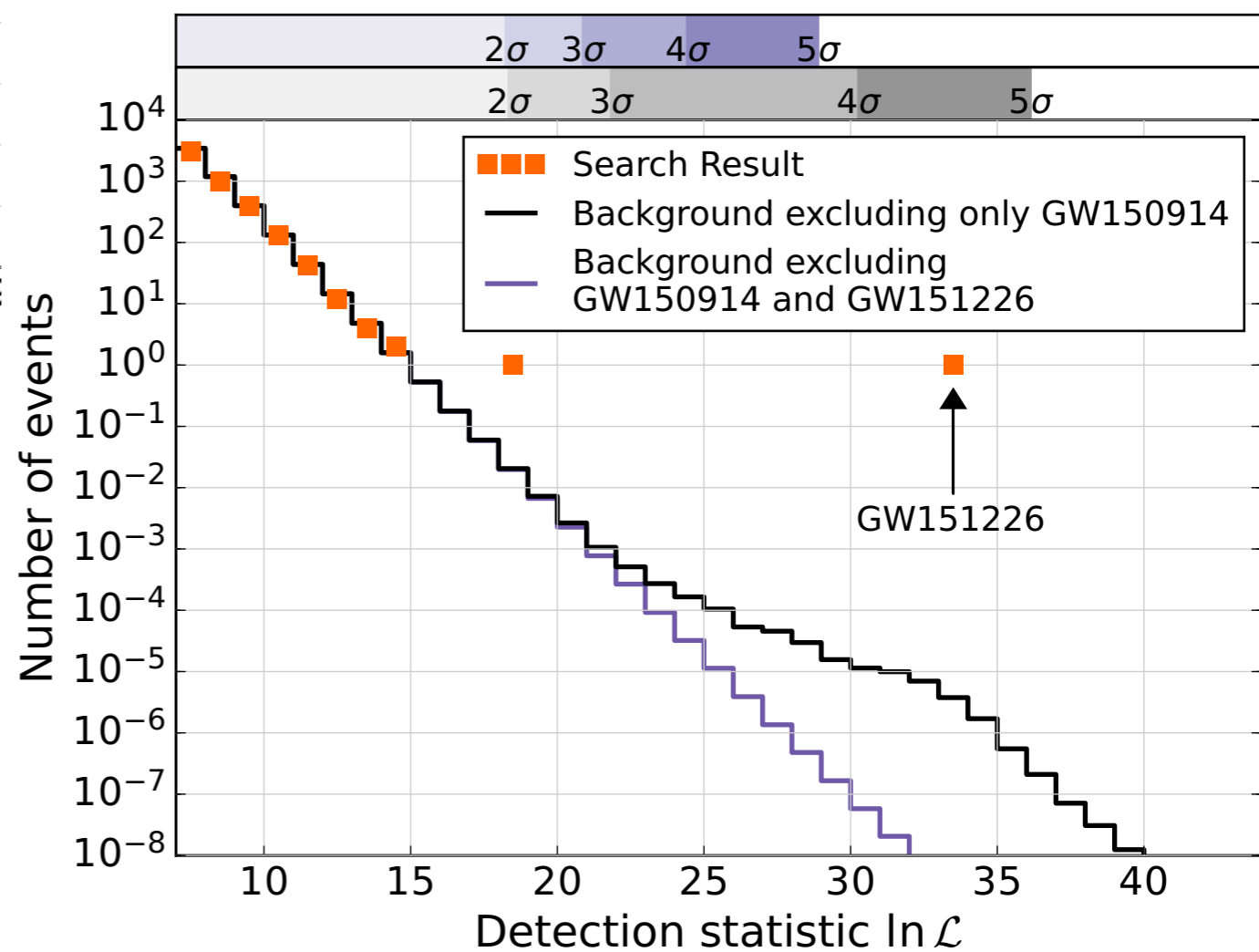
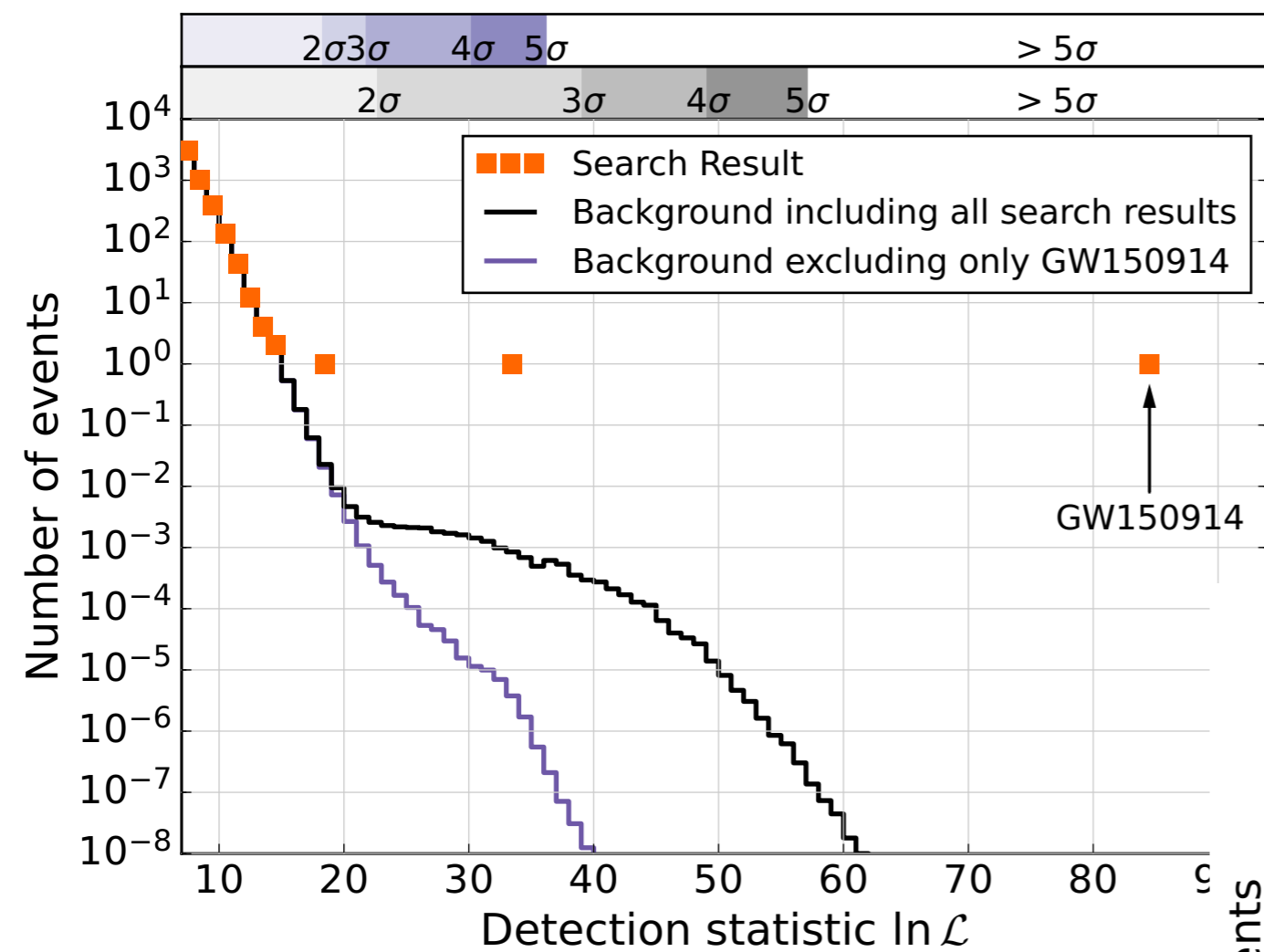




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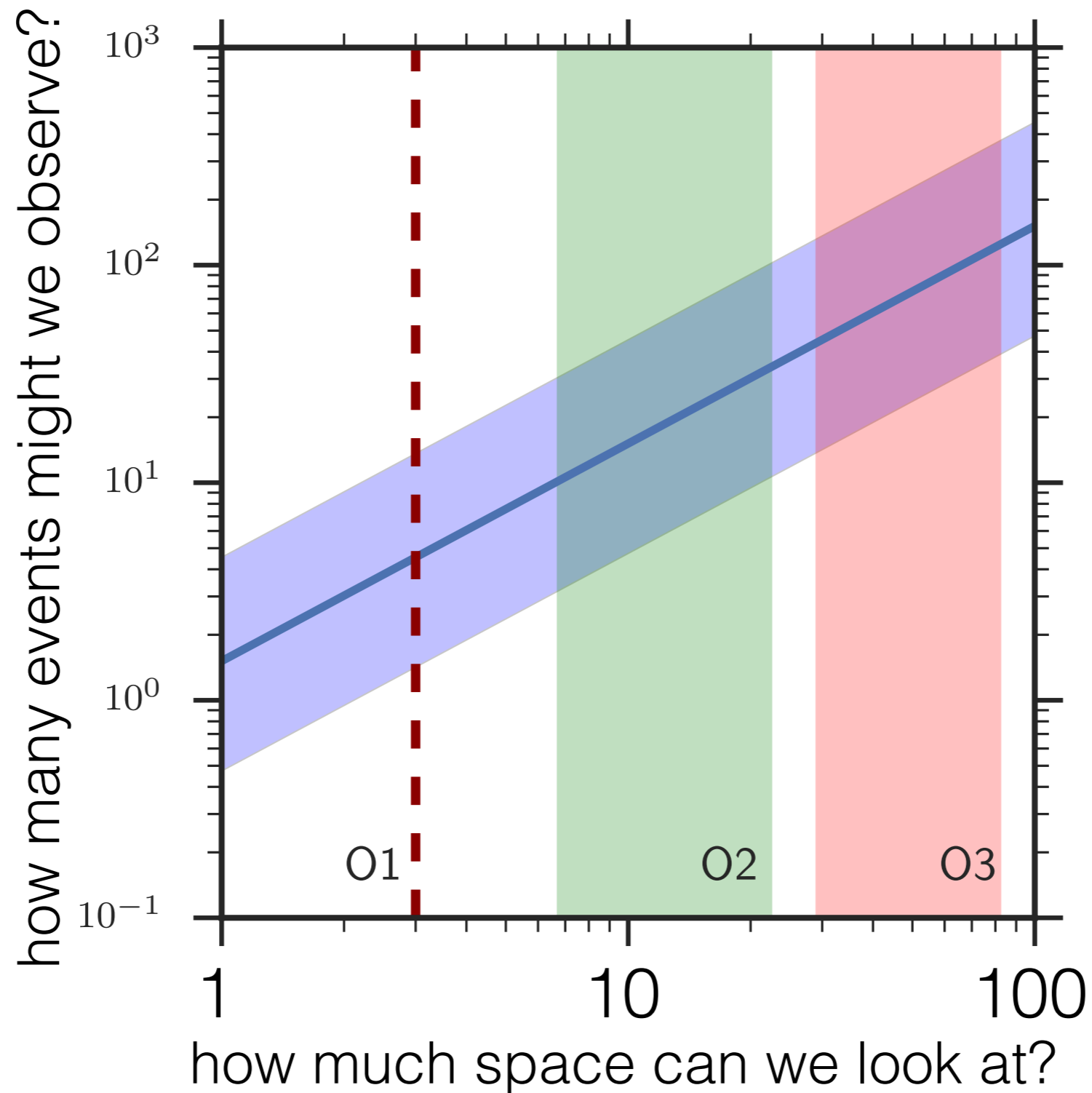




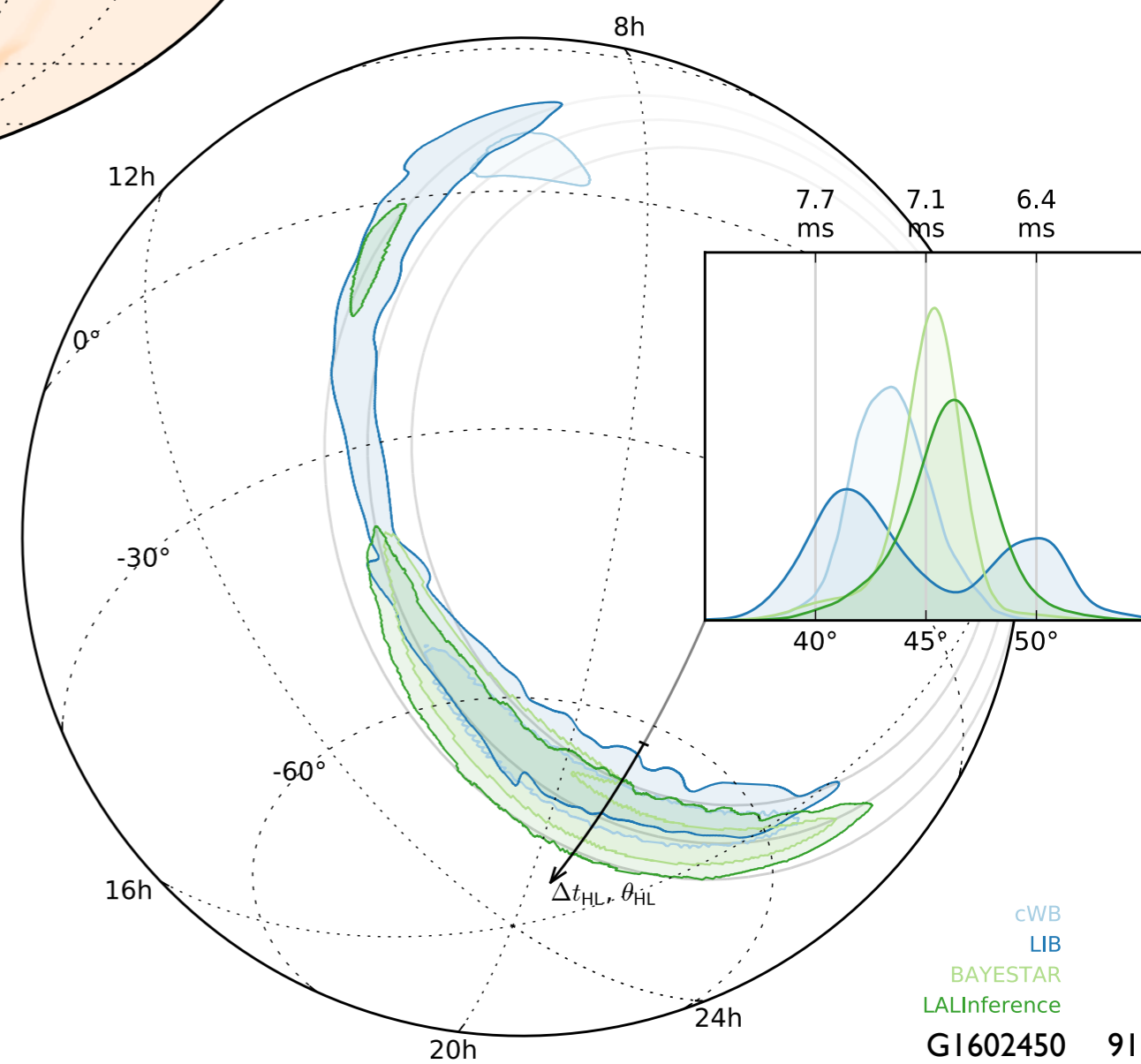
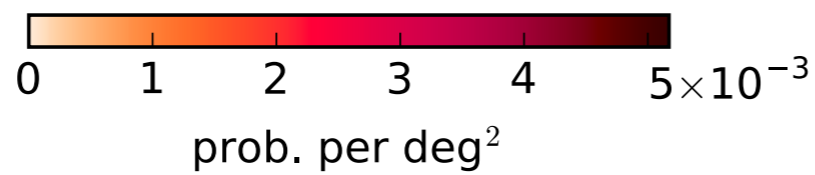
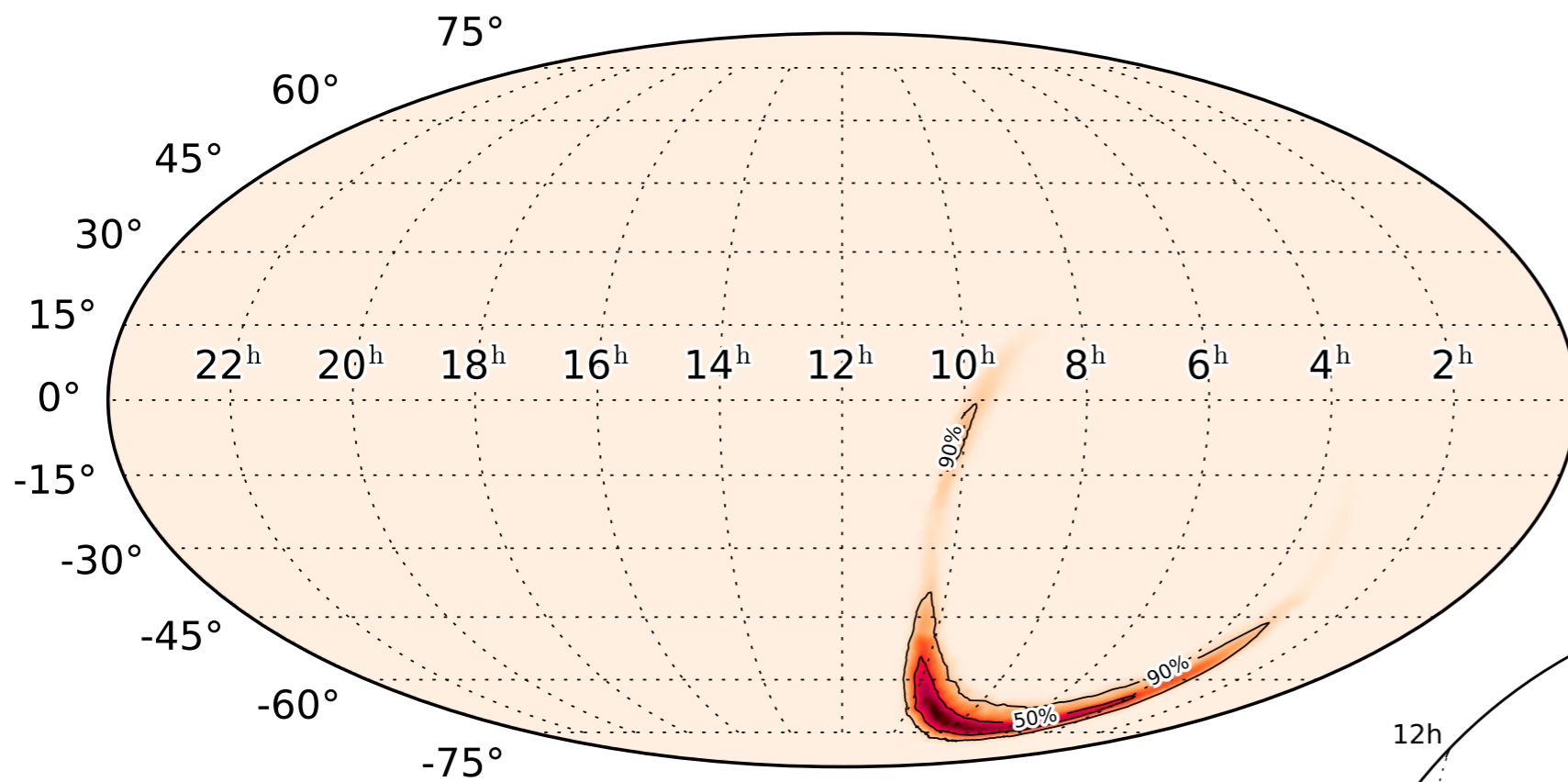


# The End/ The Beginning...

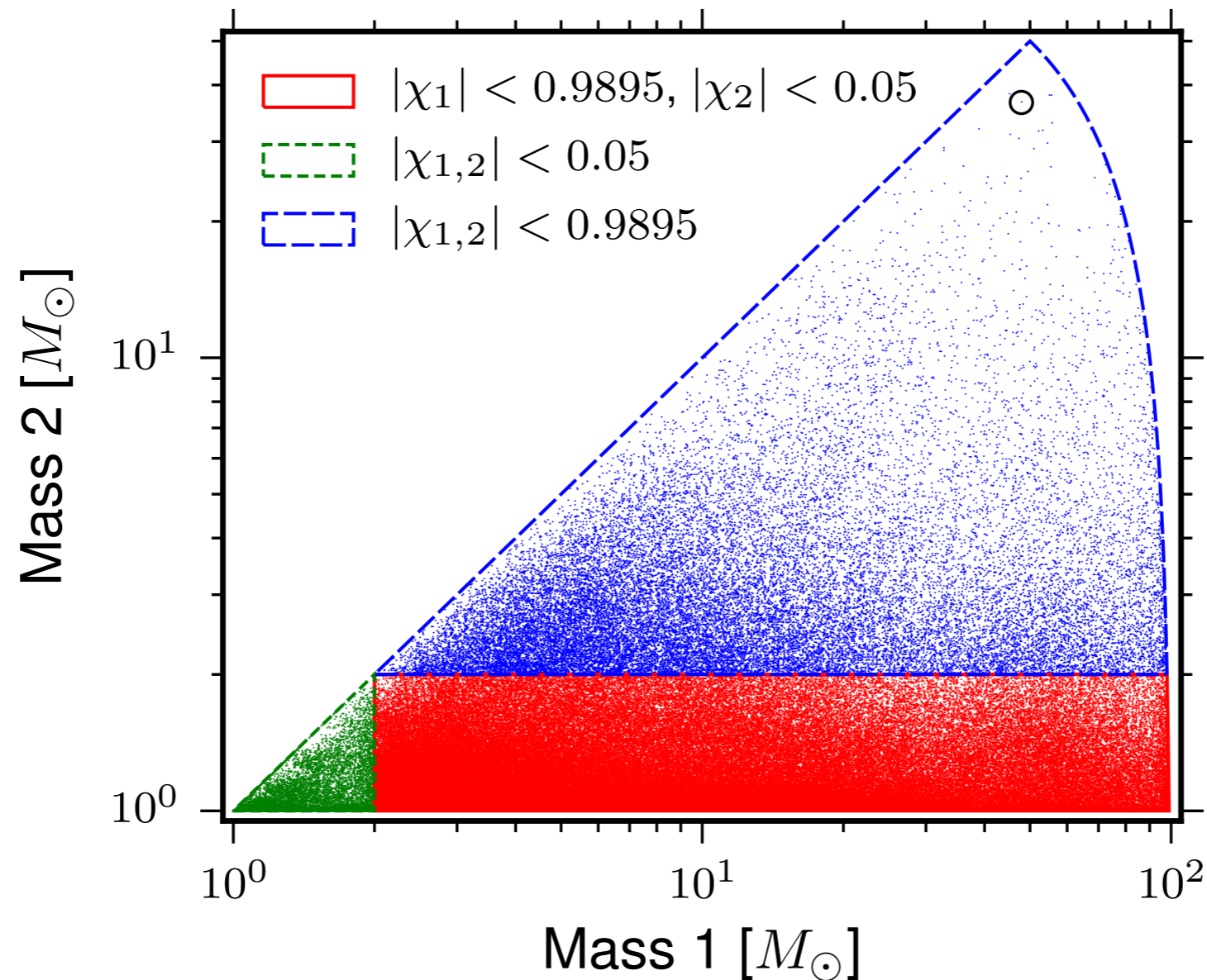
How many black hole collisions can we see?



# Where was it?



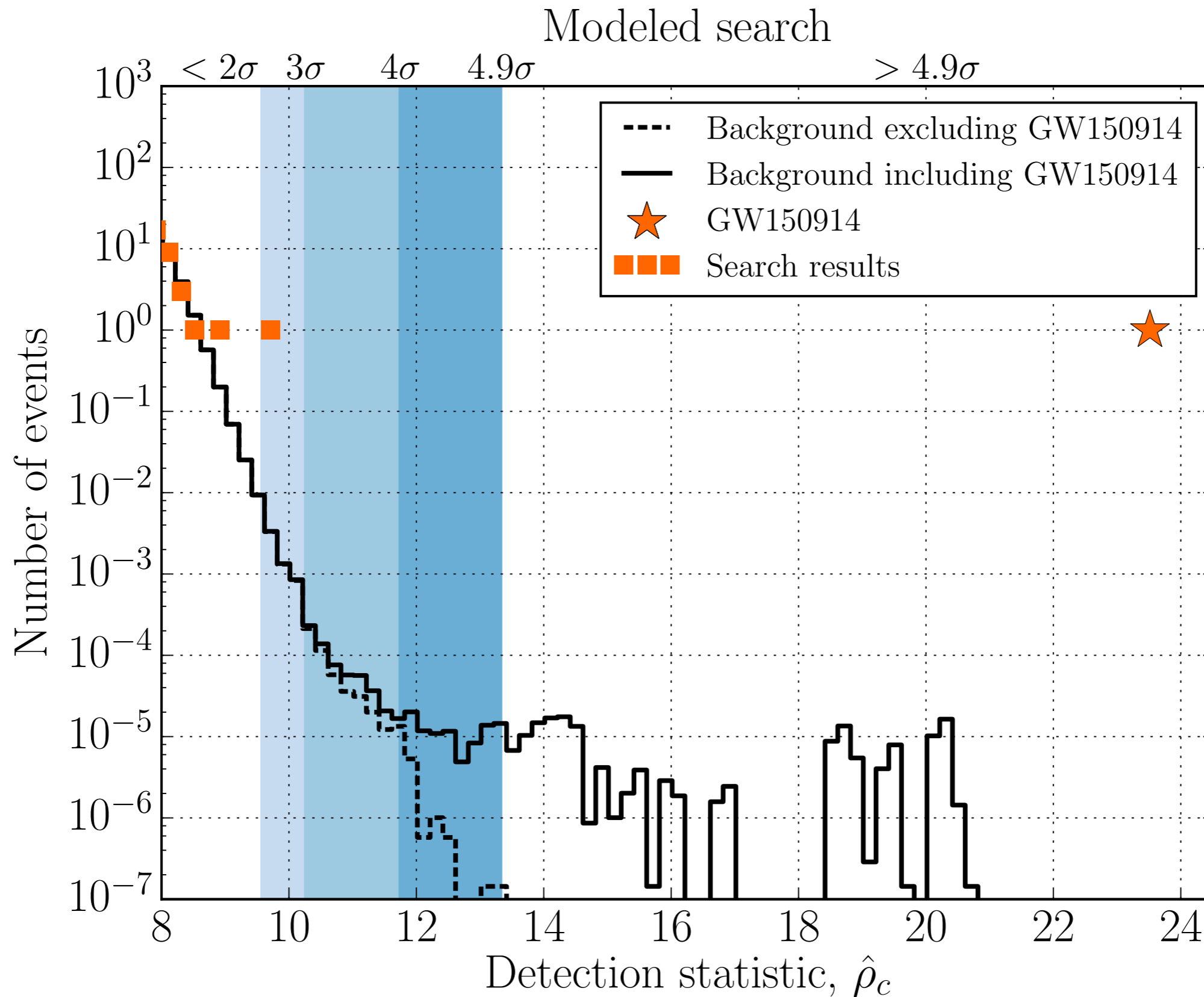
# CBC template bank



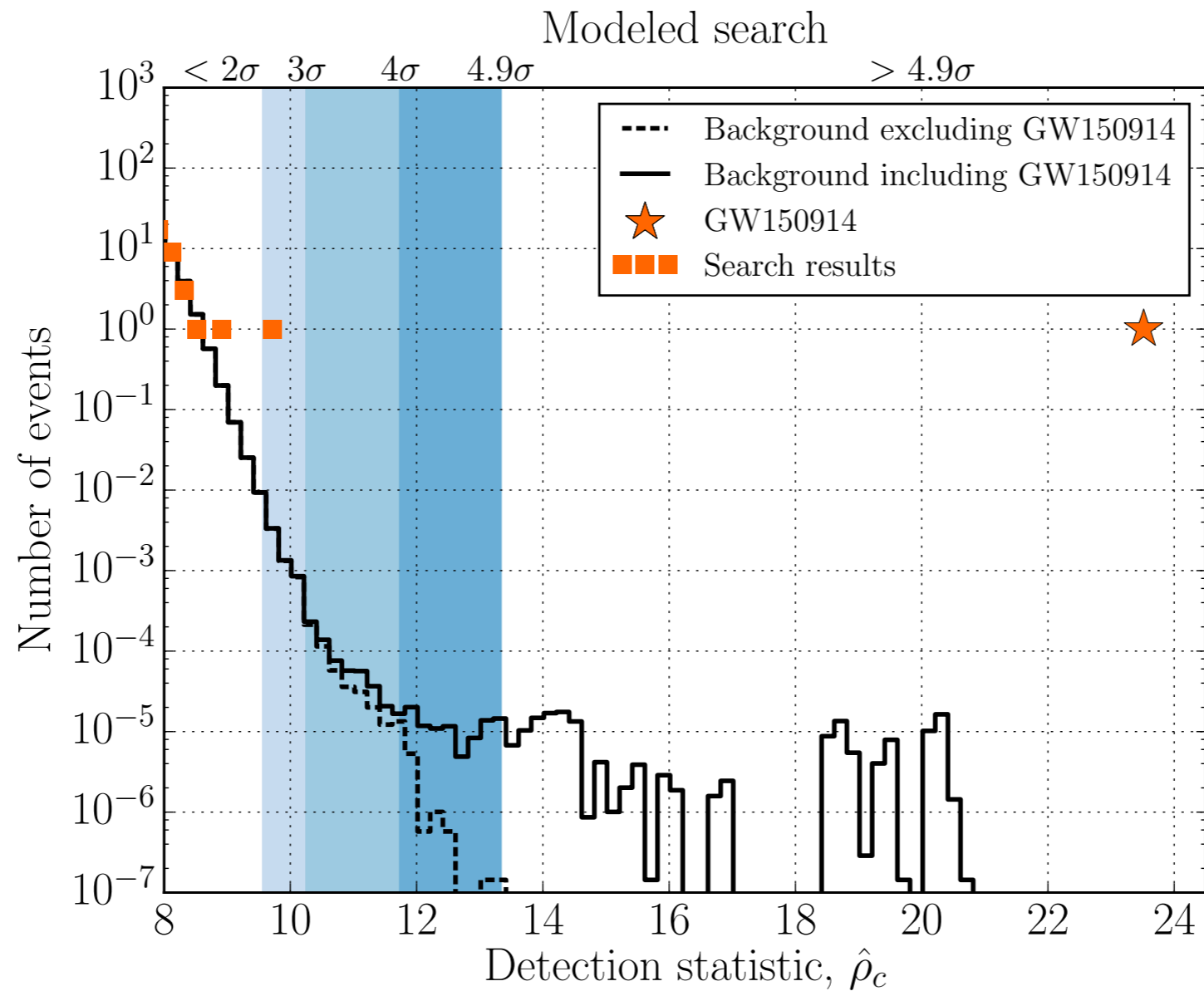
(just at the edge...)

FIG. 1. The four-dimensional search parameter space covered by the template bank shown projected into the component-mass plane, using the convention  $m_1 > m_2$ . The lines bound mass regions with different limits on the dimensionless aligned-spin parameters  $\chi_1$  and  $\chi_2$ . Each point indicates the position of a template in the bank. The circle highlights the template that best matches GW150914. This

# Detection statistic

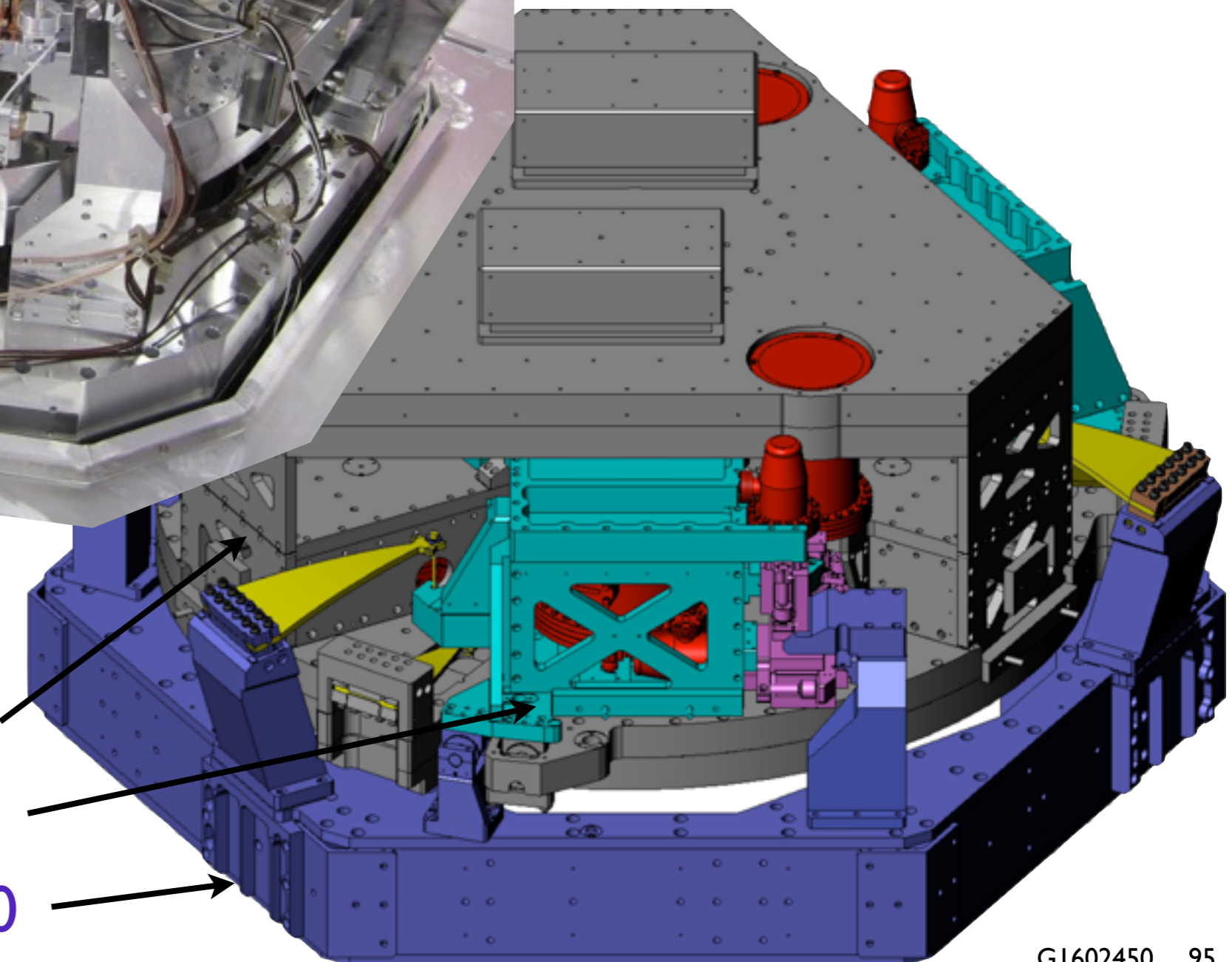
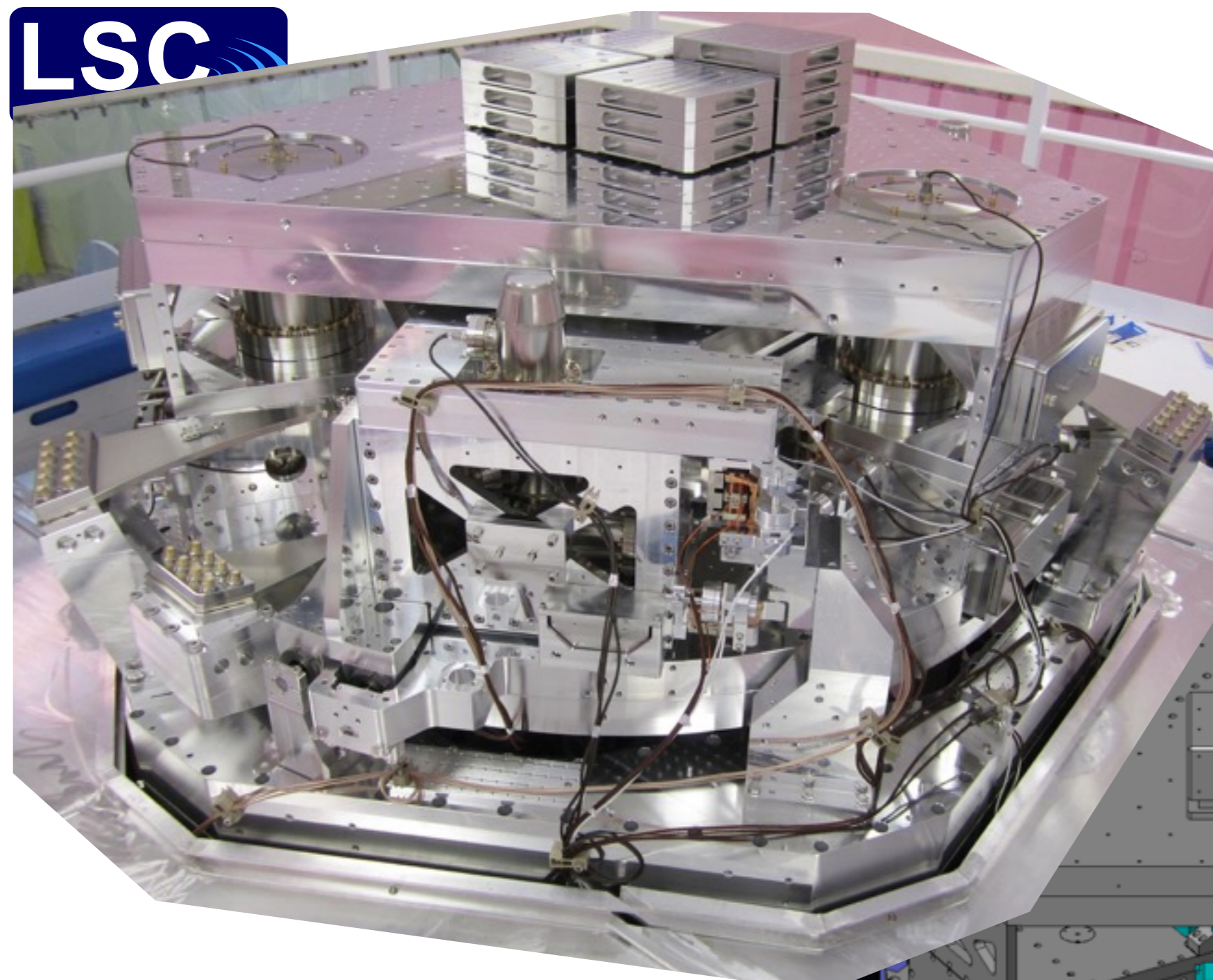






Event	Time (UTC)	FAR ( $\text{yr}^{-1}$ )	$\mathcal{F}$	$\mathcal{M}$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$m_1$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$m_2$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$\chi_{\text{eff}}$	$D_L$ (Mpc)
GW150914	14 September 2015 09:50:45	$< 5 \times 10^{-6}$	$< 2 \times 10^{-7}$ ( $> 5.1 \sigma$ )	$28^{+2}_{-2}$	$36^{+5}_{-4}$	$29^{+4}_{-4}$	$-0.06^{+0.17}_{-0.18}$	$410^{+160}_{-180}$
LVT151012	12 October 2015 09:54:43	0.44	0.02 ( $2.1 \sigma$ )	$15^{+1}_{-1}$	$23^{+18}_{-5}$	$13^{+4}_{-5}$	$0.0^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	$1100^{+500}_{-500}$

# BSC-ISI

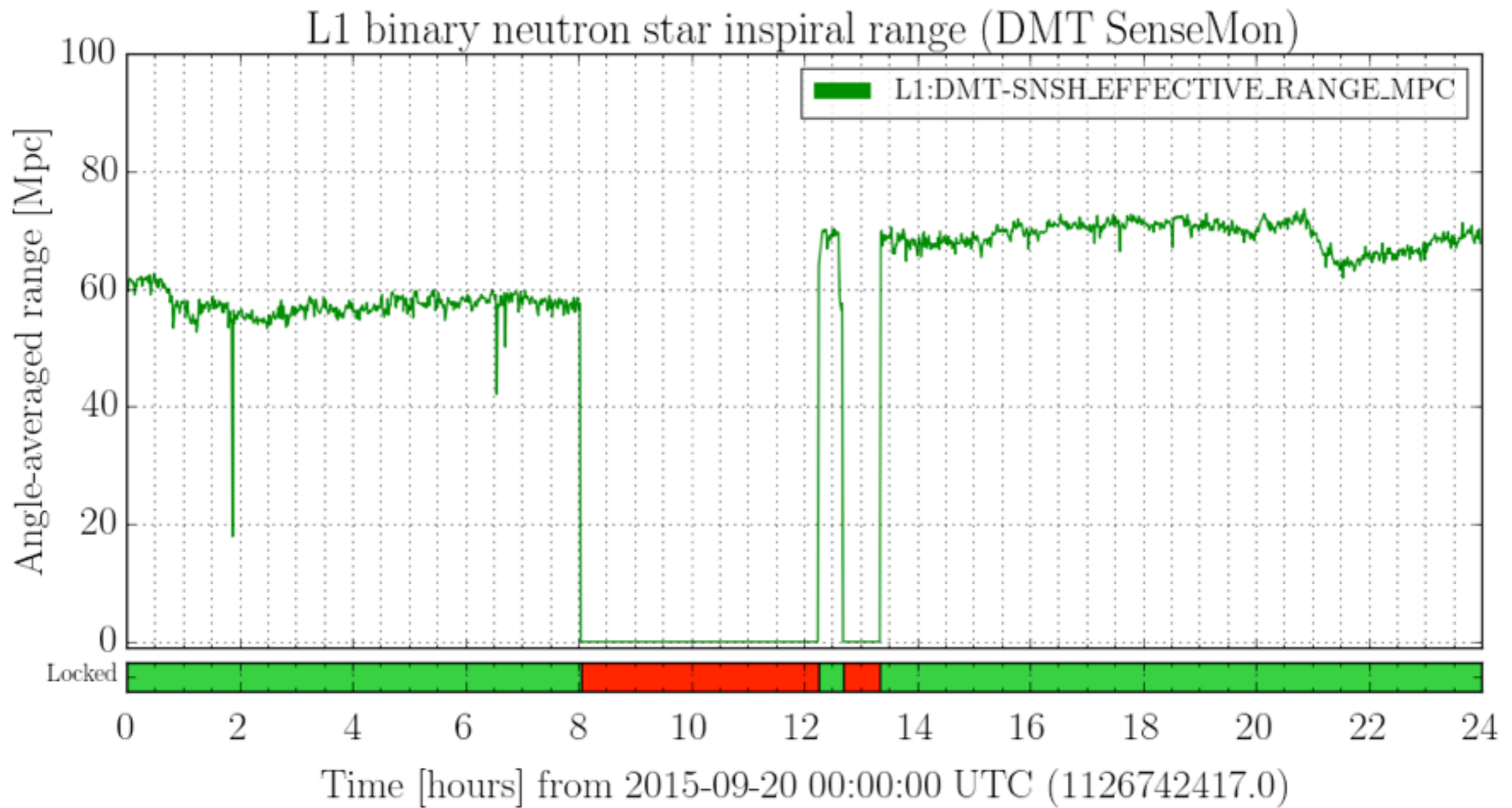


optics table - stage 2

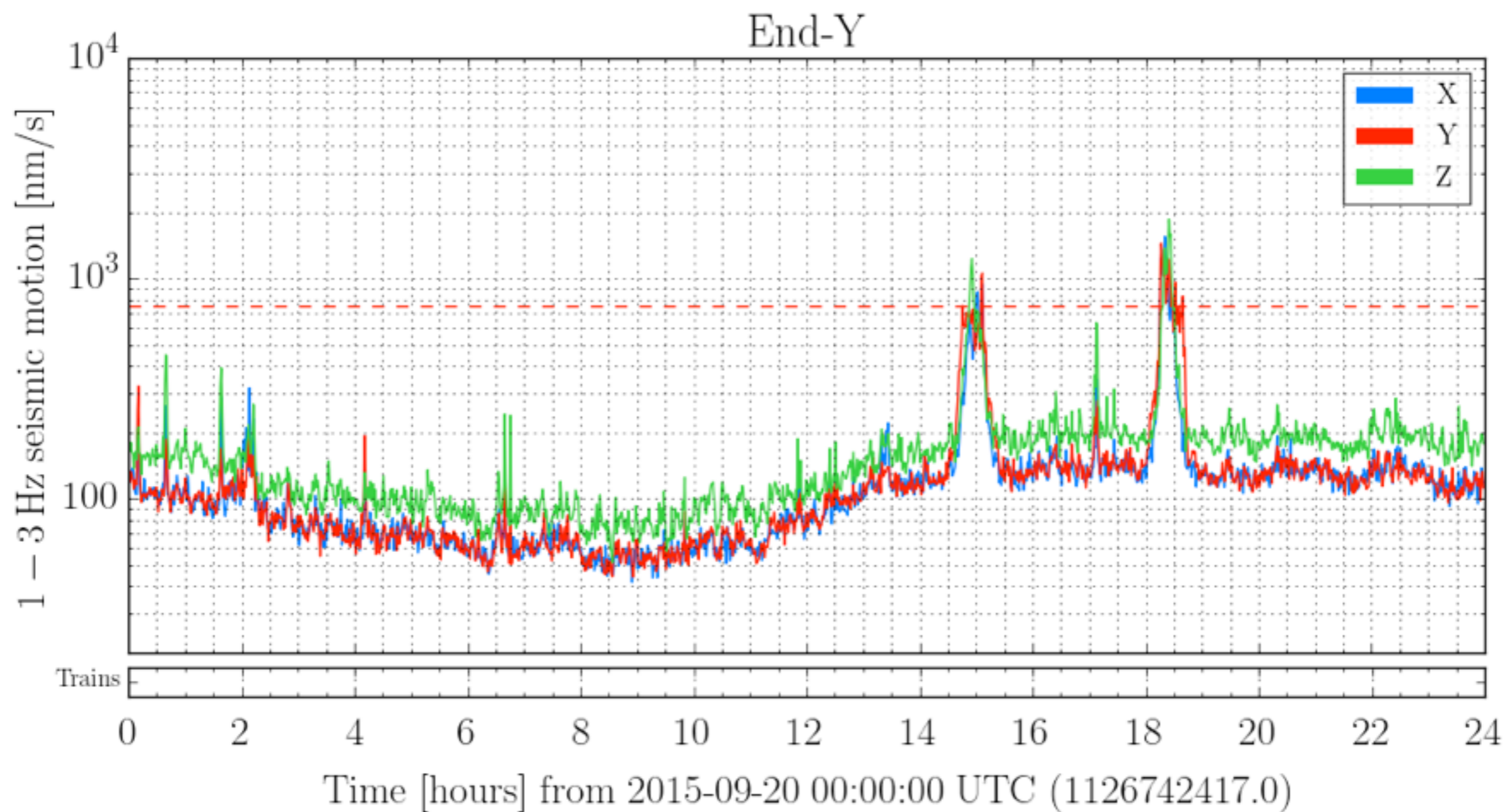
stage 1

support - stage 0

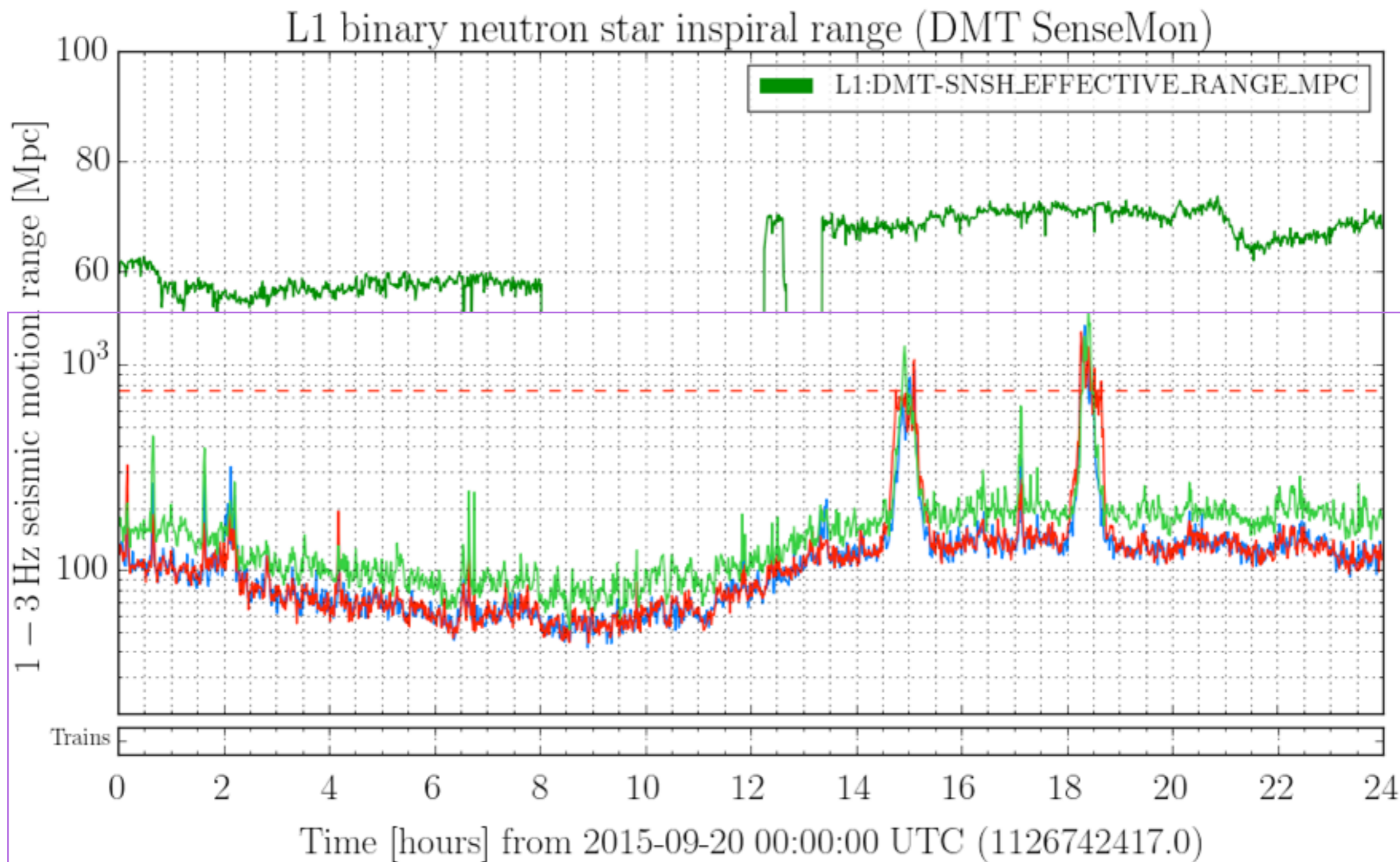
# Real impact of



but there was a train...

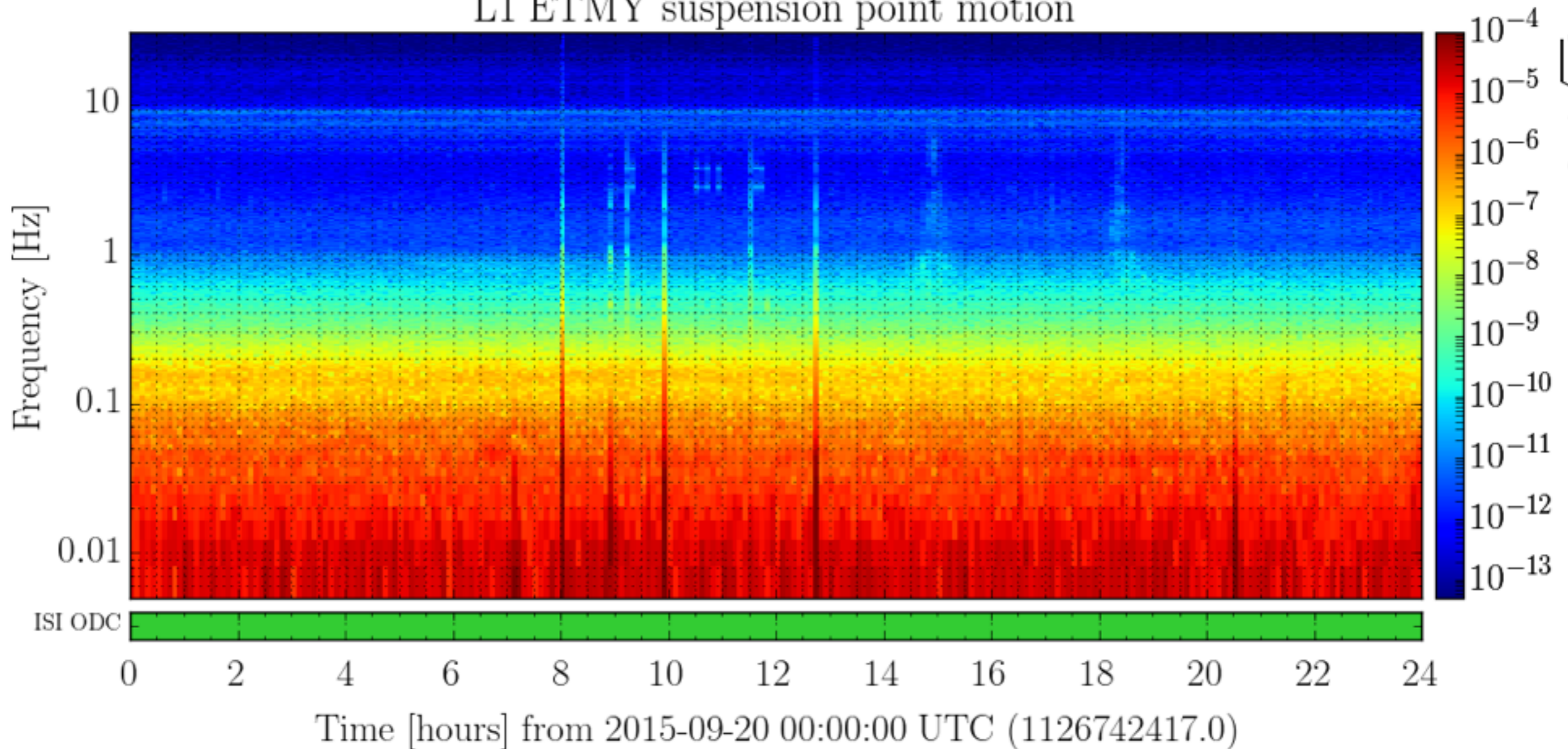


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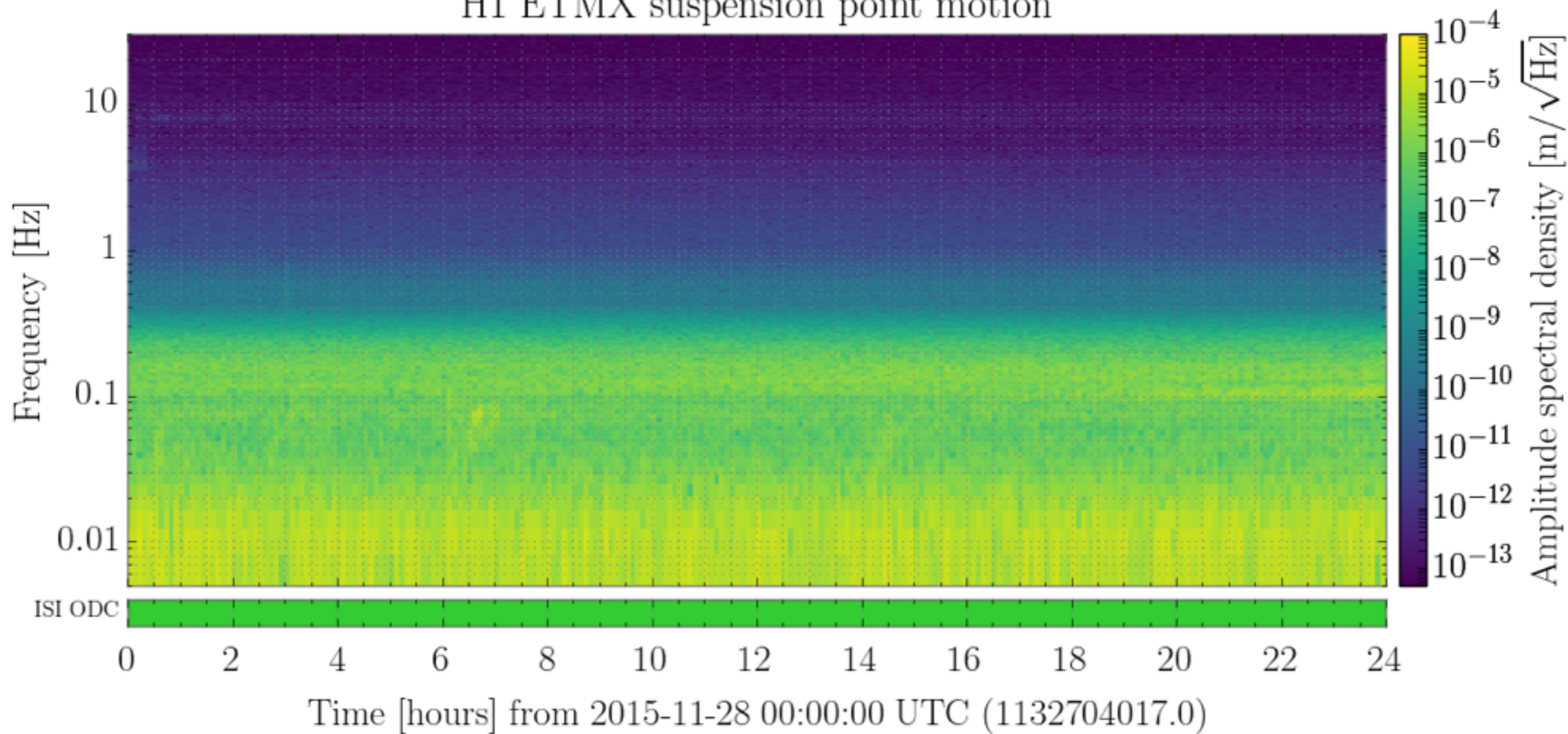
# 'Environmental' sensors

L1 ETMY suspension point motion



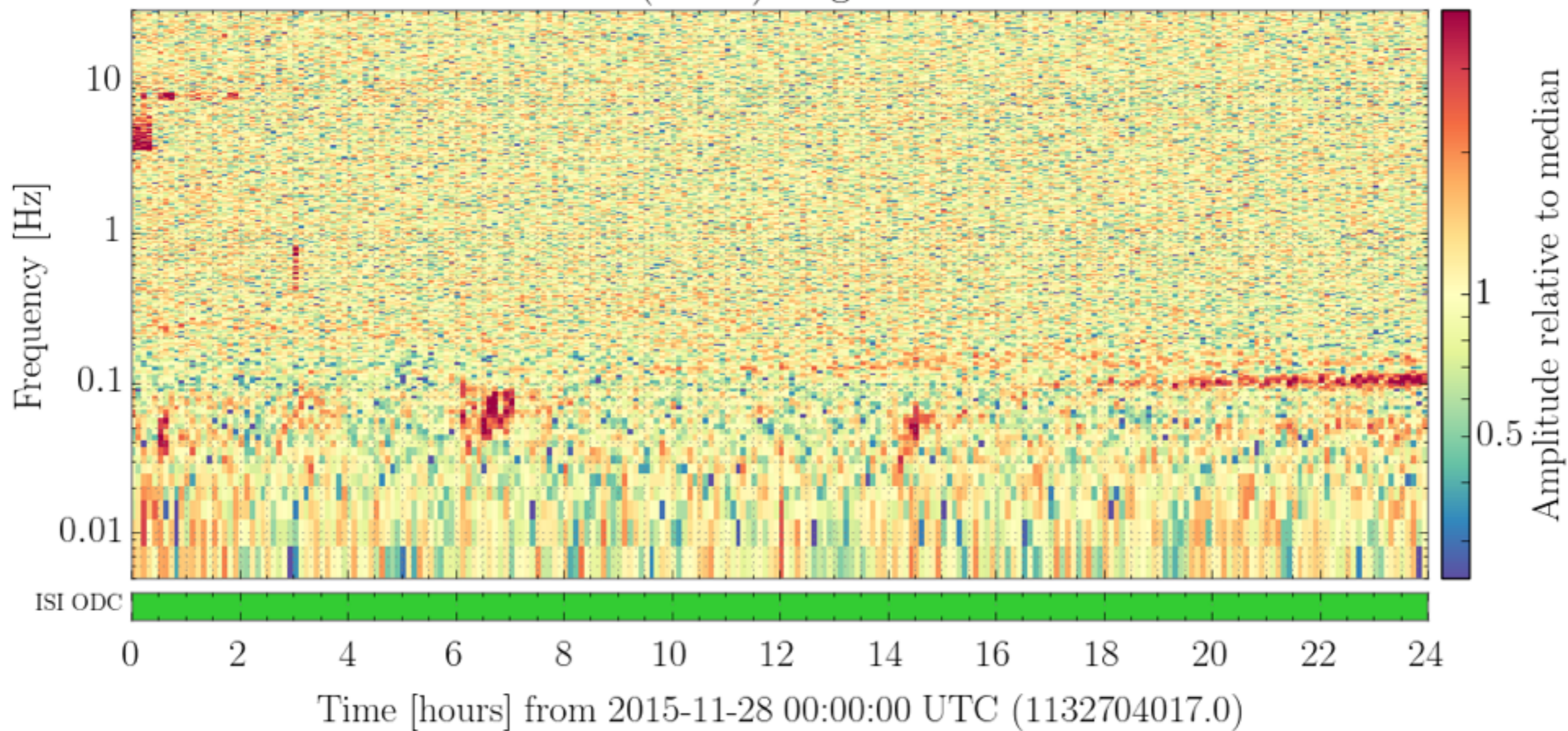
# This is what we strive for

H1 ETMX suspension point motion



# Glitch monitoring

H1 ETMX (BSC9) longitudinal motion

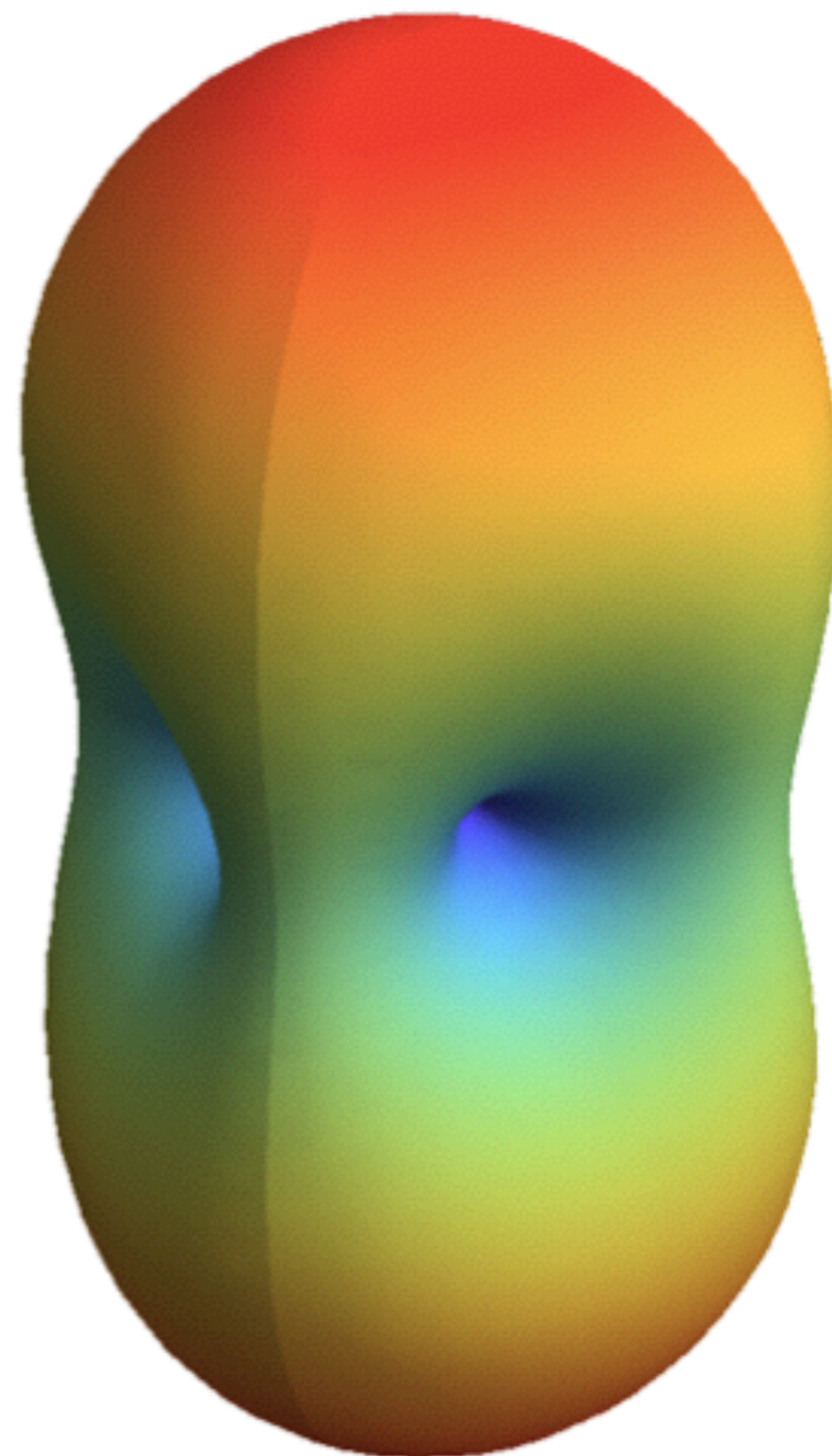




# Interferometer's Antenna Pattern

## LIGO is not an Imaging Detector

- Antenna pattern for aLIGO, for an optimally polarized wave.
- LIGO is more like a microphone than a telescope.
- i.e. We measure the amplitude of a wave coming from pretty much any direction.
- Good for first detections, but not so good for finding the source.



# Detector

