

The background of the slide is a visualization of gravitational waves. It features a large, bright, circular region on the left side, transitioning from yellow to green to blue. In the upper left quadrant, two bright yellow-orange spheres are shown in the process of merging. The right side of the image is dominated by a complex, textured pattern of blue and green, representing the ripples of spacetime. A prominent, curved yellow-green line is visible in the lower right quadrant.

# Measuring the neutron-star equation of state with GW170817

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LSC/Virgo PRL 119, 161101 (2017), data

simulation image: T. Dietrich(AEI/FSU)

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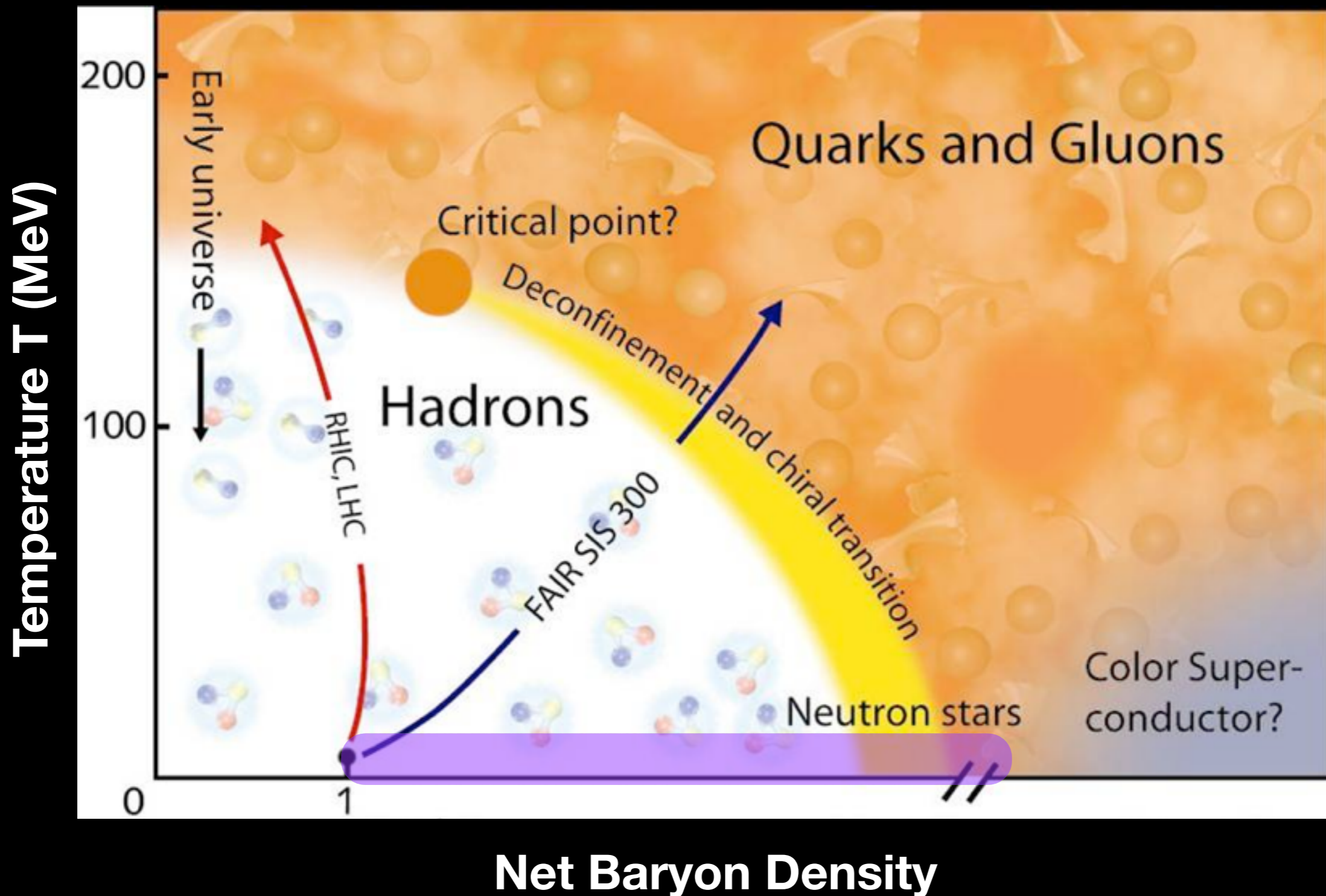


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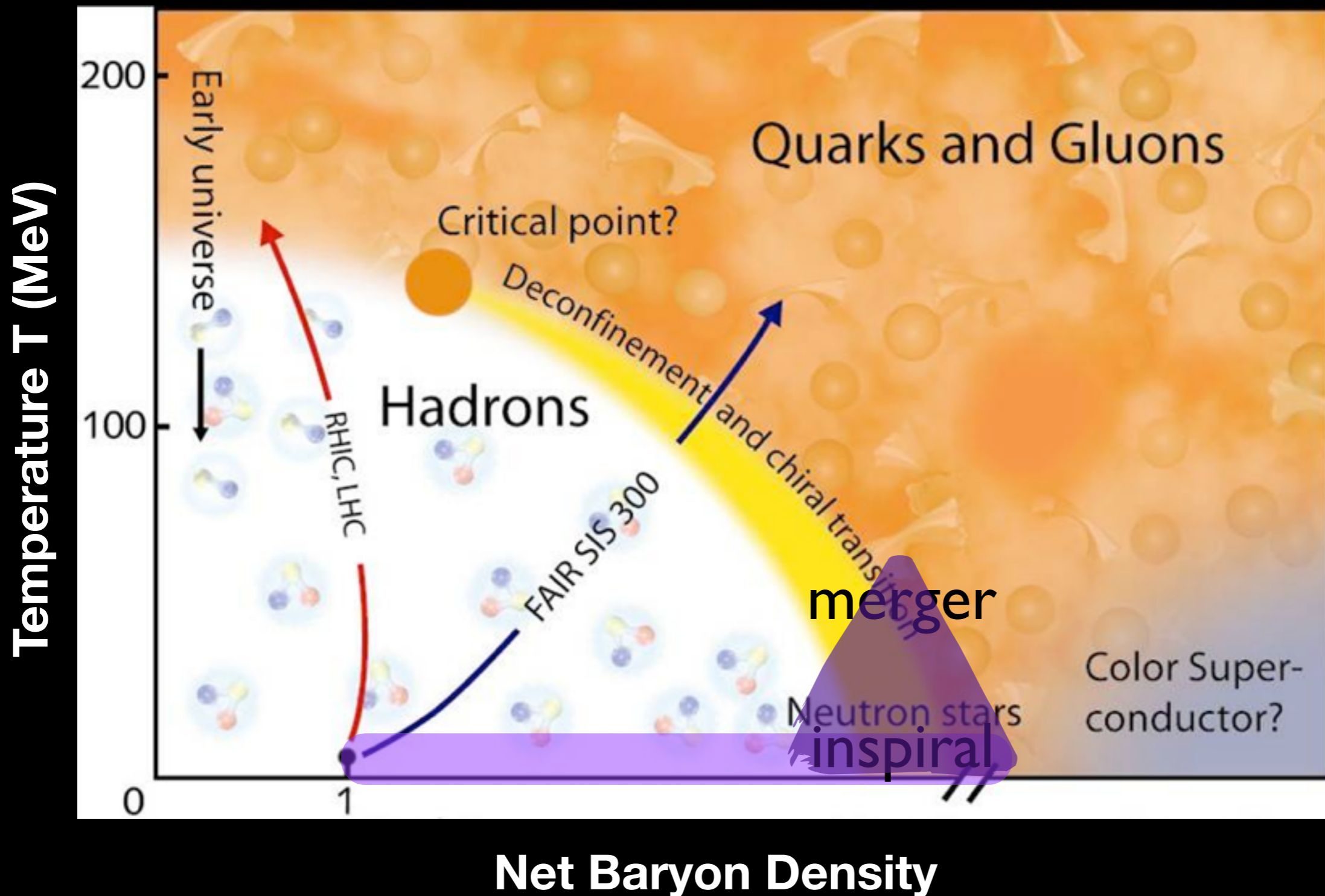


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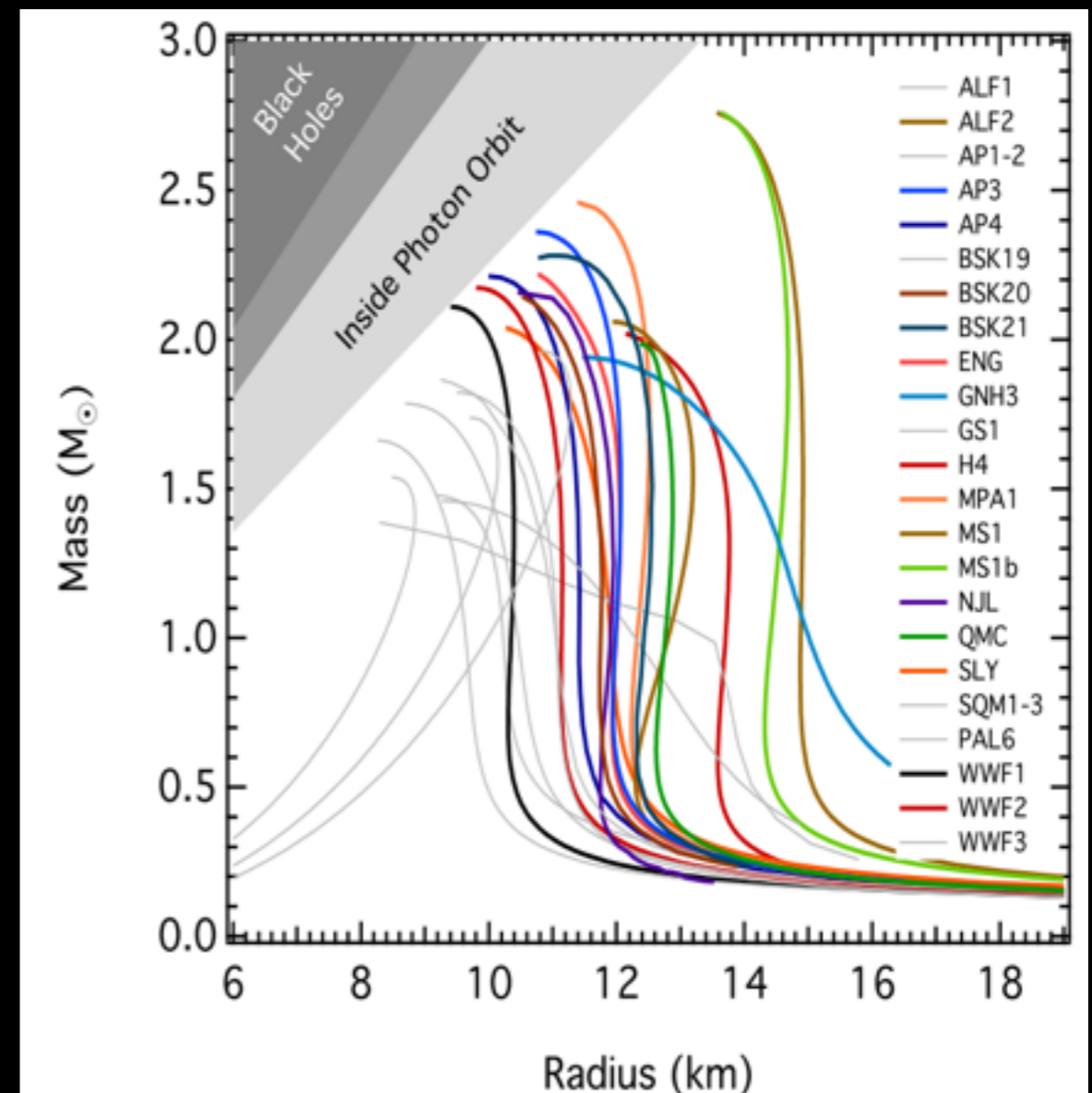
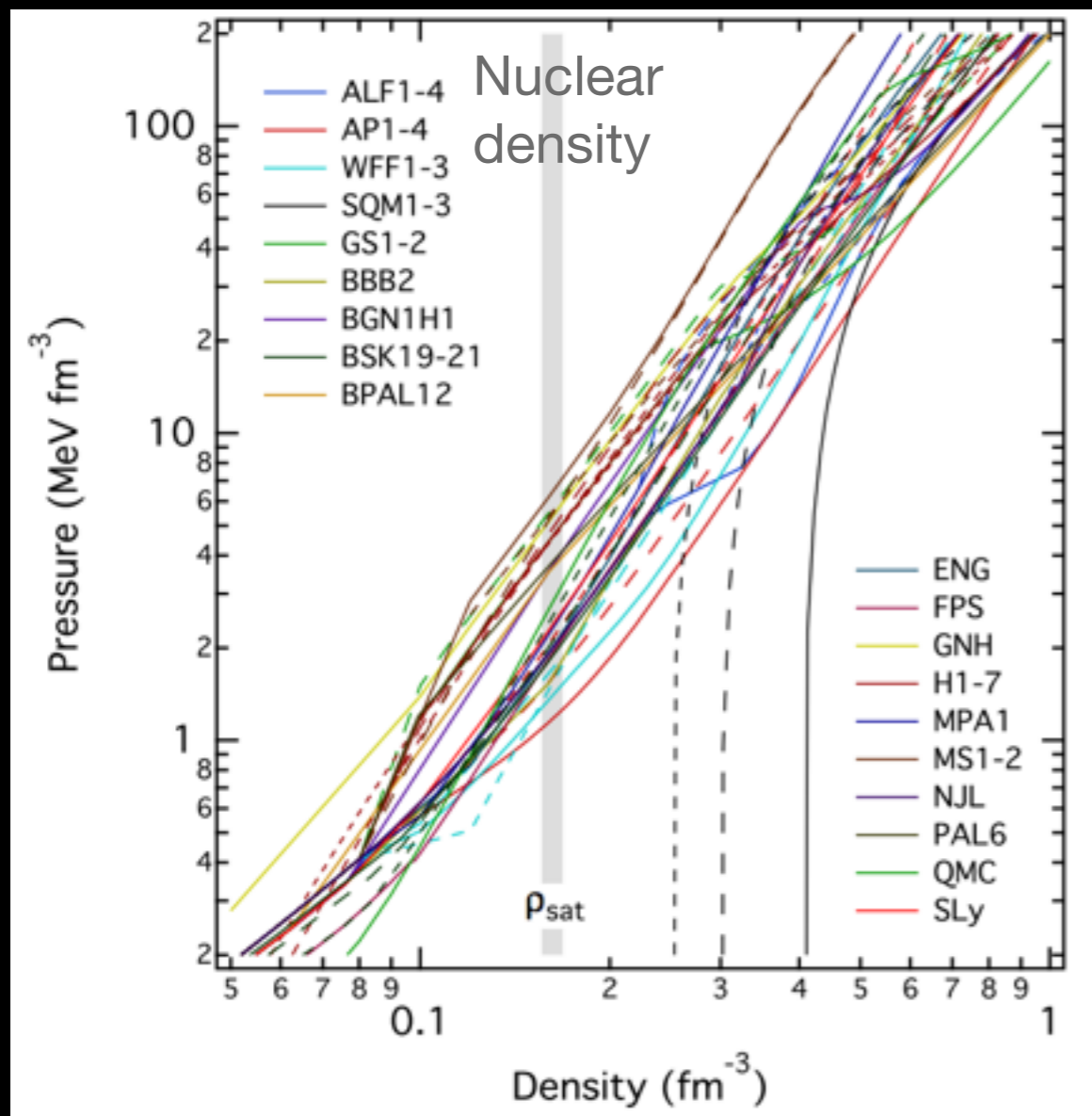
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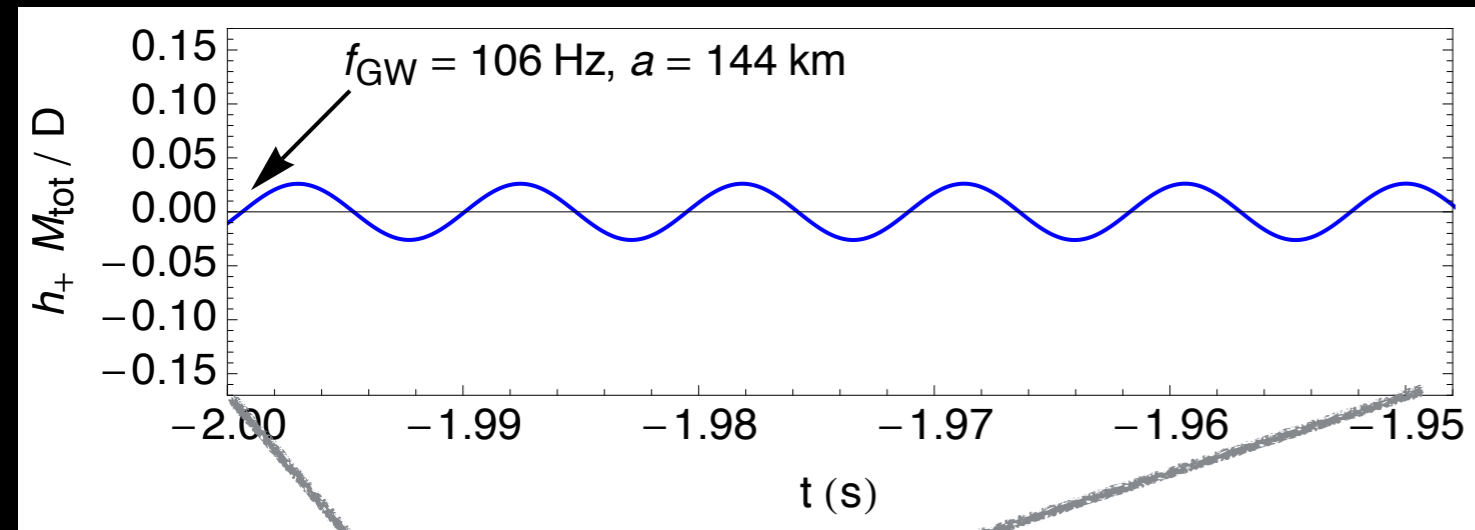
Equation of state in beta equilibrium



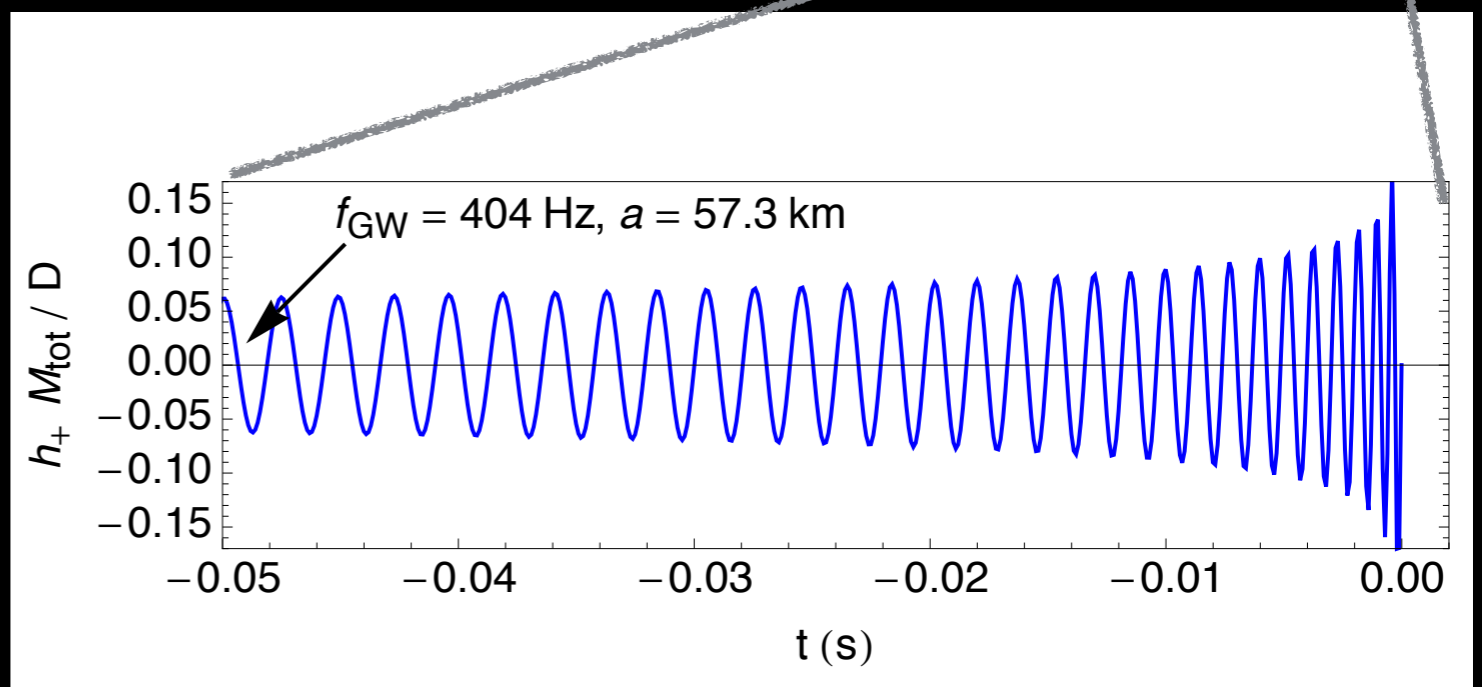
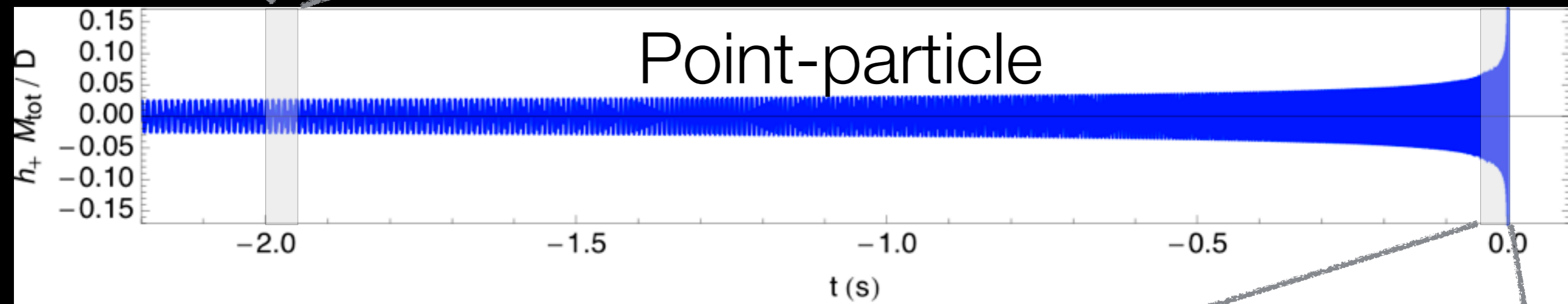
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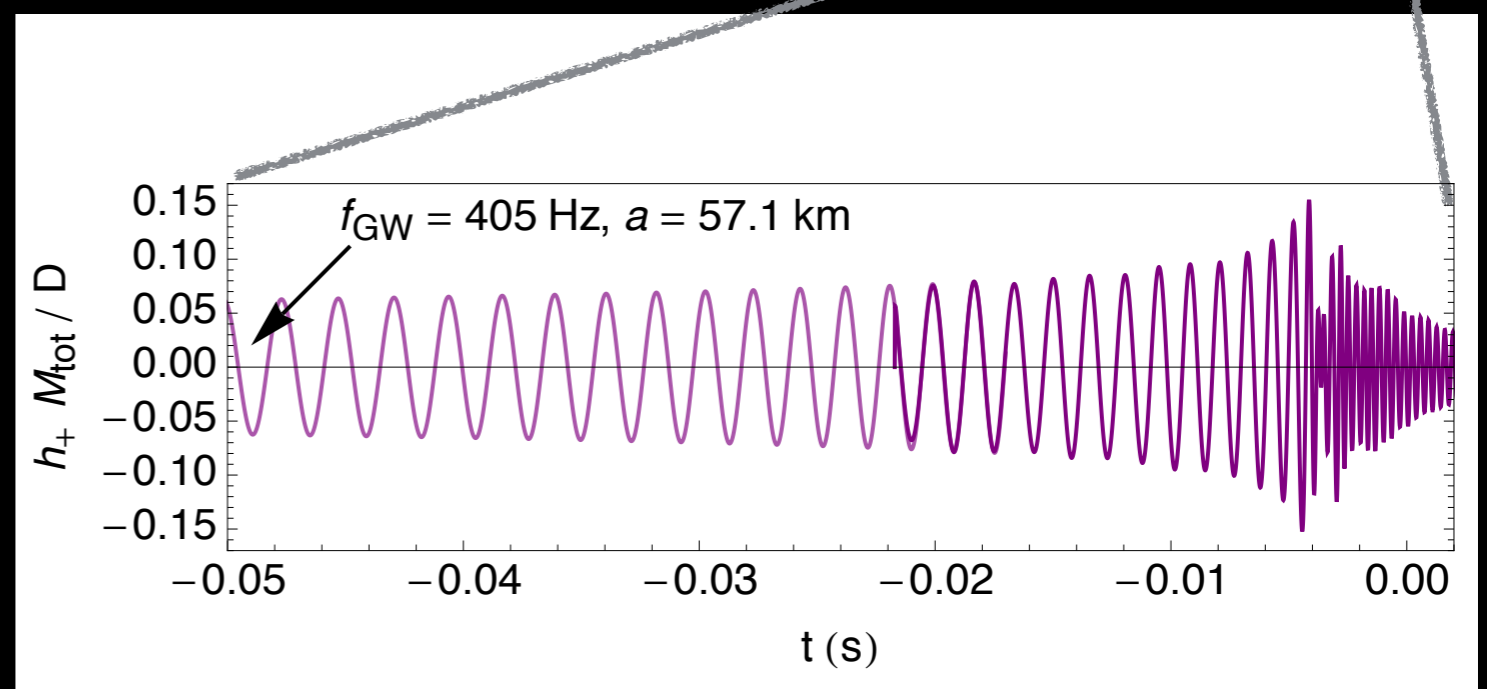
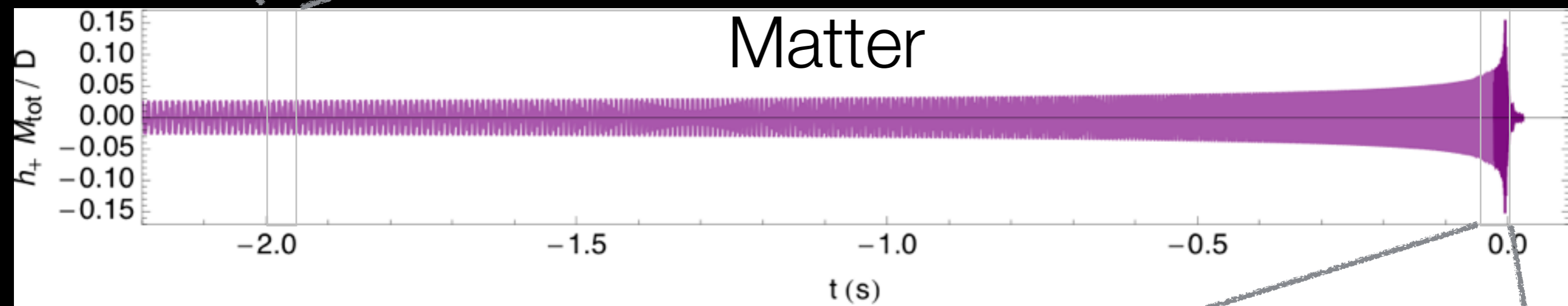
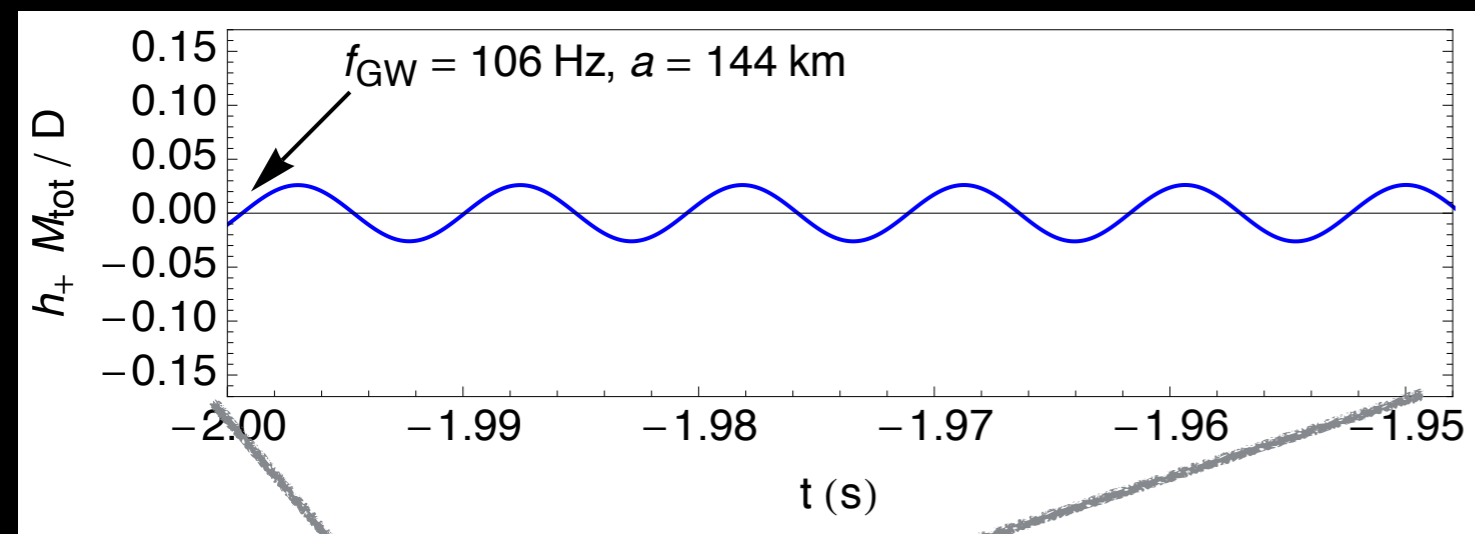
Mass-radius relation, max mass, deformability

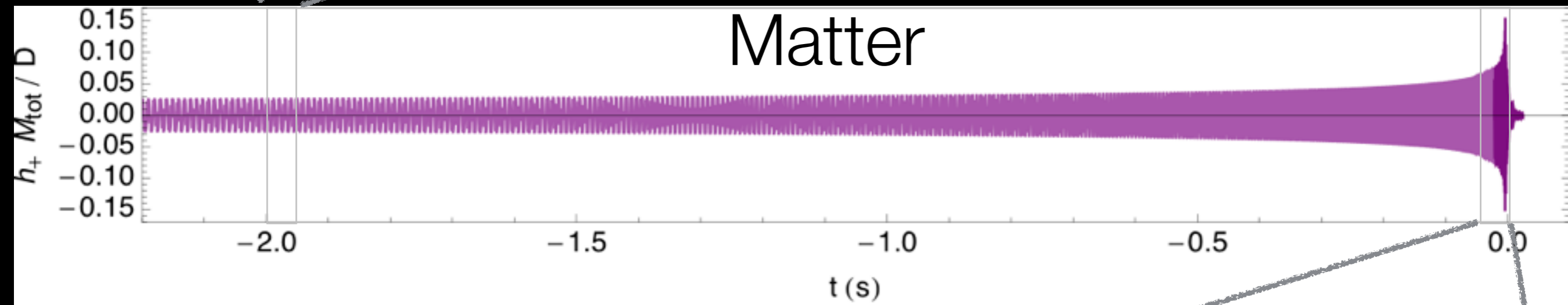
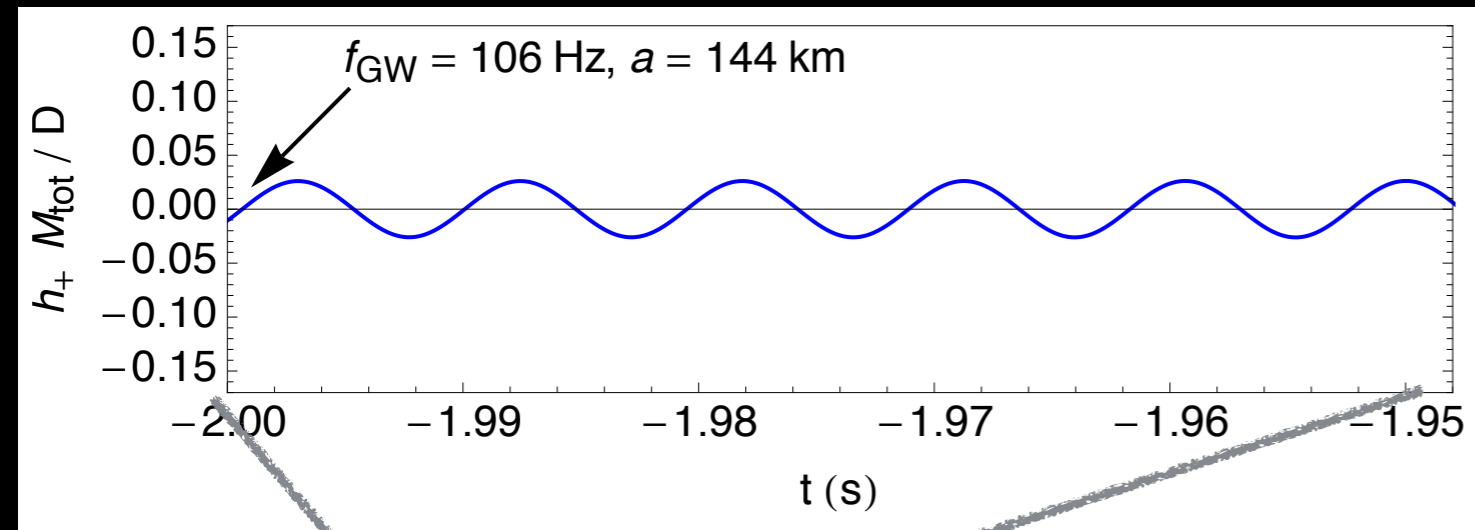




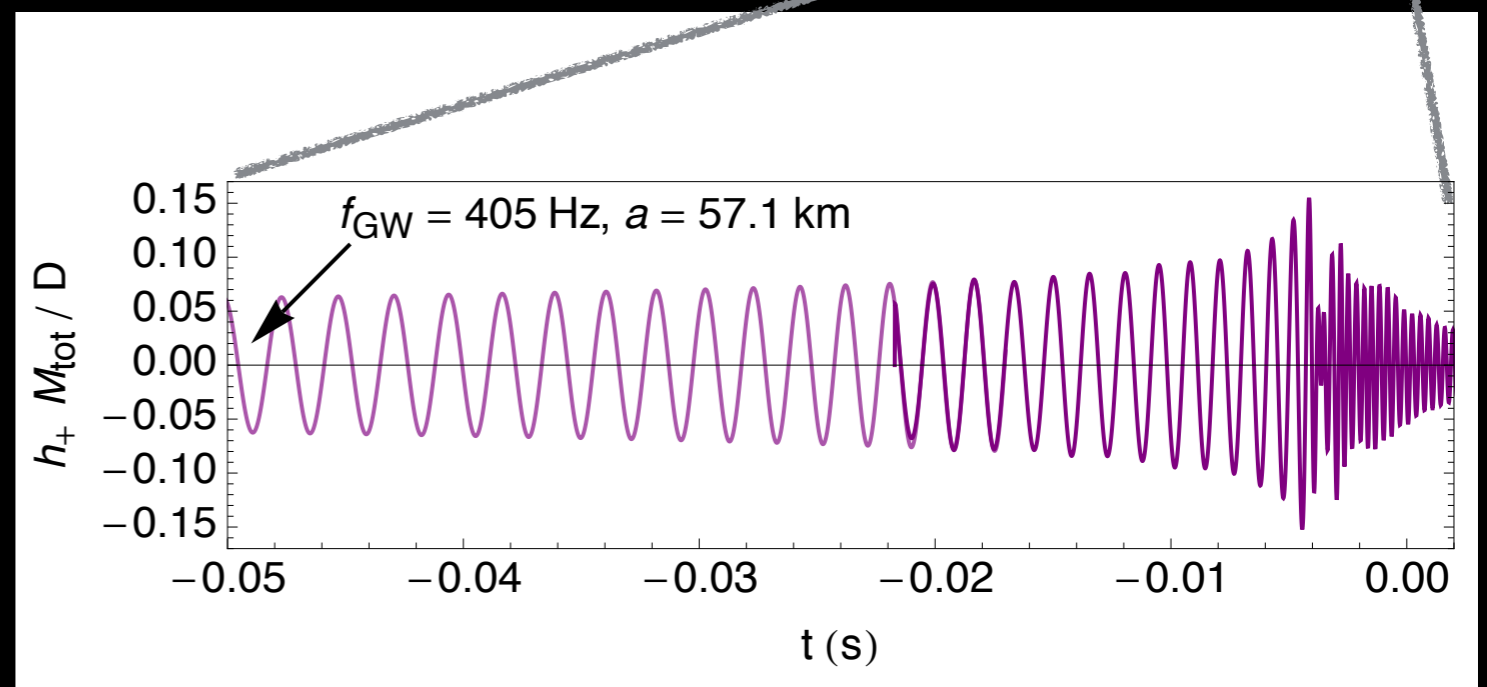
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 transfer of  $\sim 10^{46}$  erg at  
 $\sim 100 \text{ Hz}$  modifies phase by  
 $10^{-3}$  radians (crust shattering,  
 Tsang et al 1110.0467)

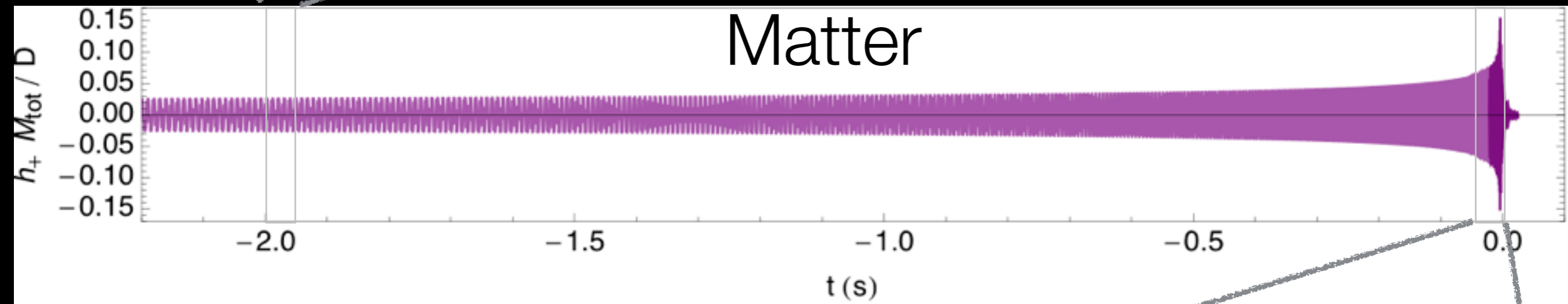
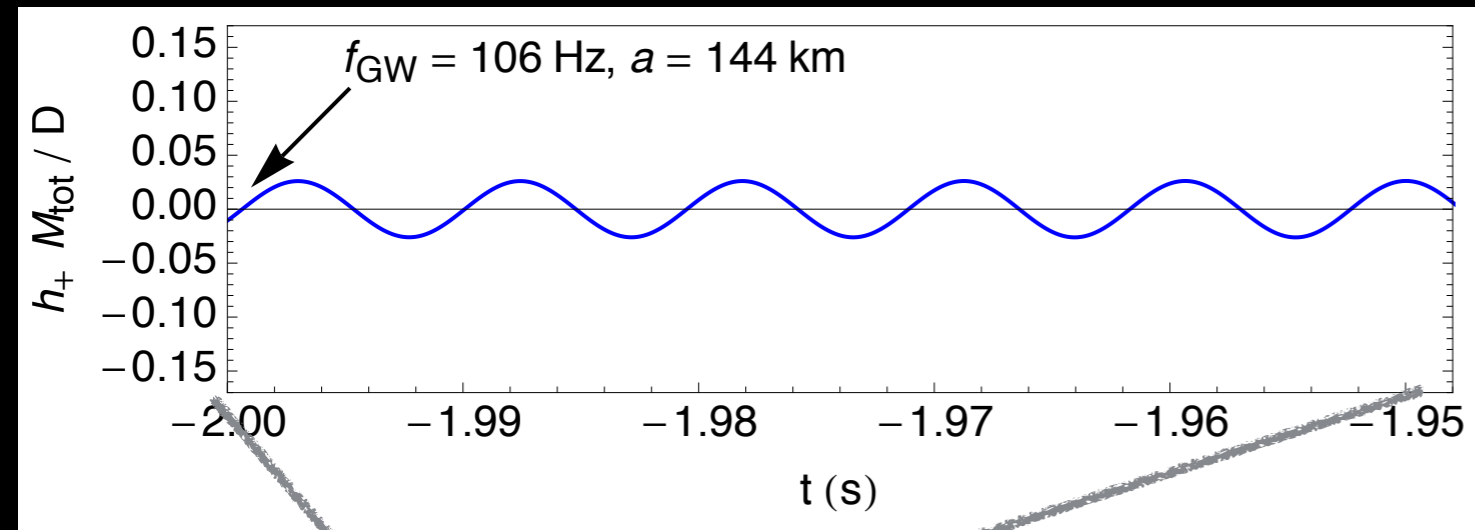






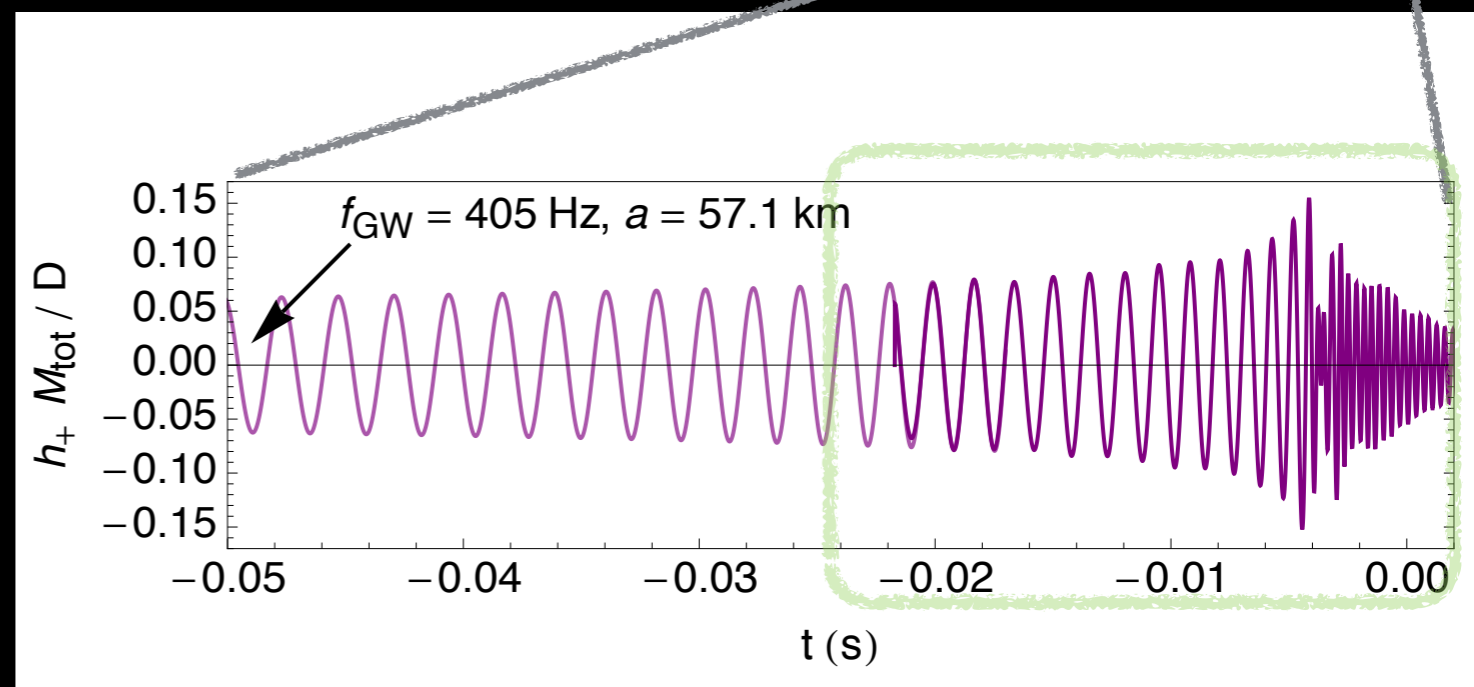
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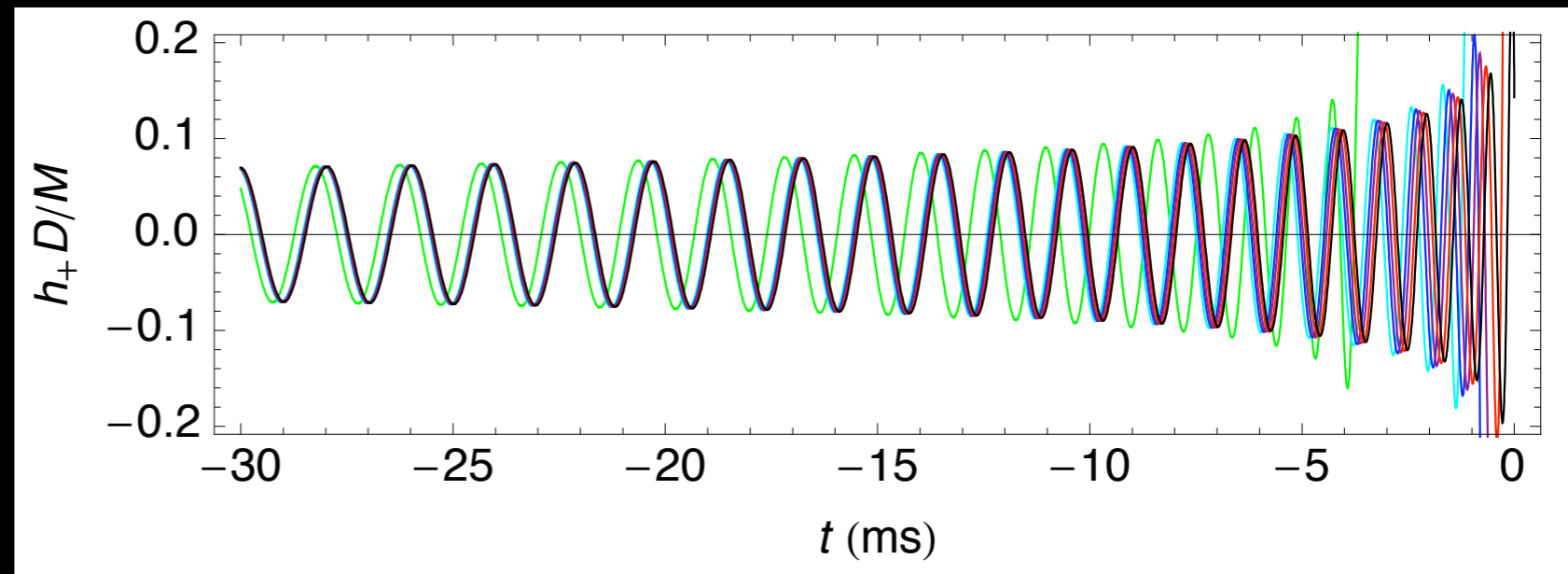
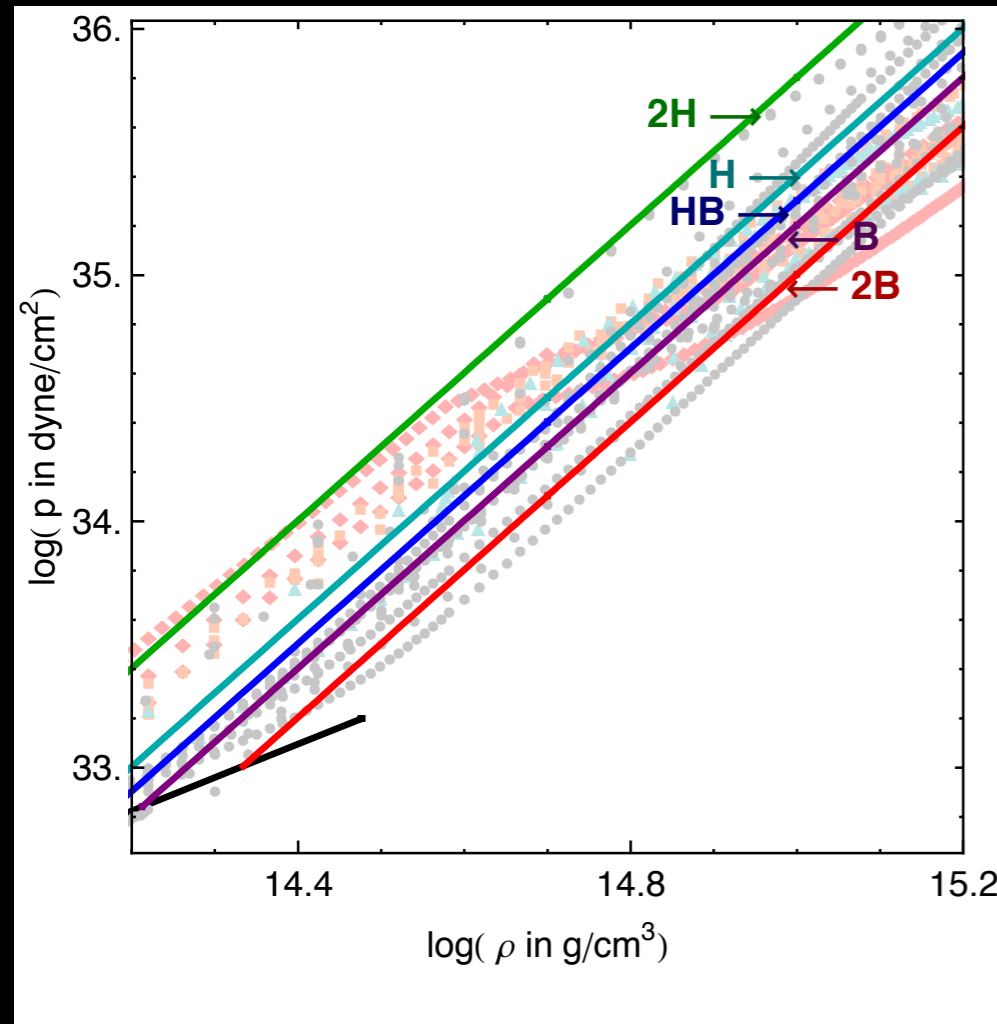




# Inspiral matter dependence

- Deformation accelerates inspiral - extra energy into deforming stars.
- Size of effect on waveform determined by **tidal deformability**:

$$\Lambda = \frac{2}{3} k_2 \left( \frac{R}{M} \right)^5$$

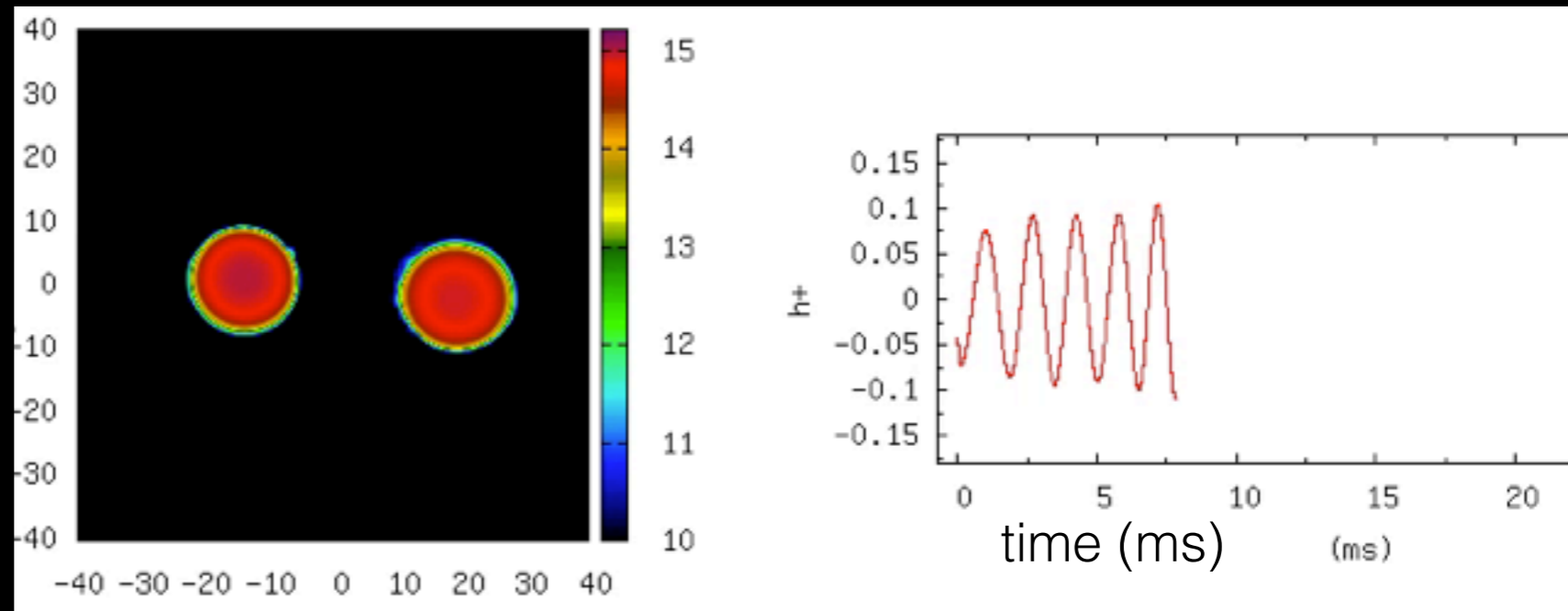


*extreme radius like 2H disfavored by GW170817*

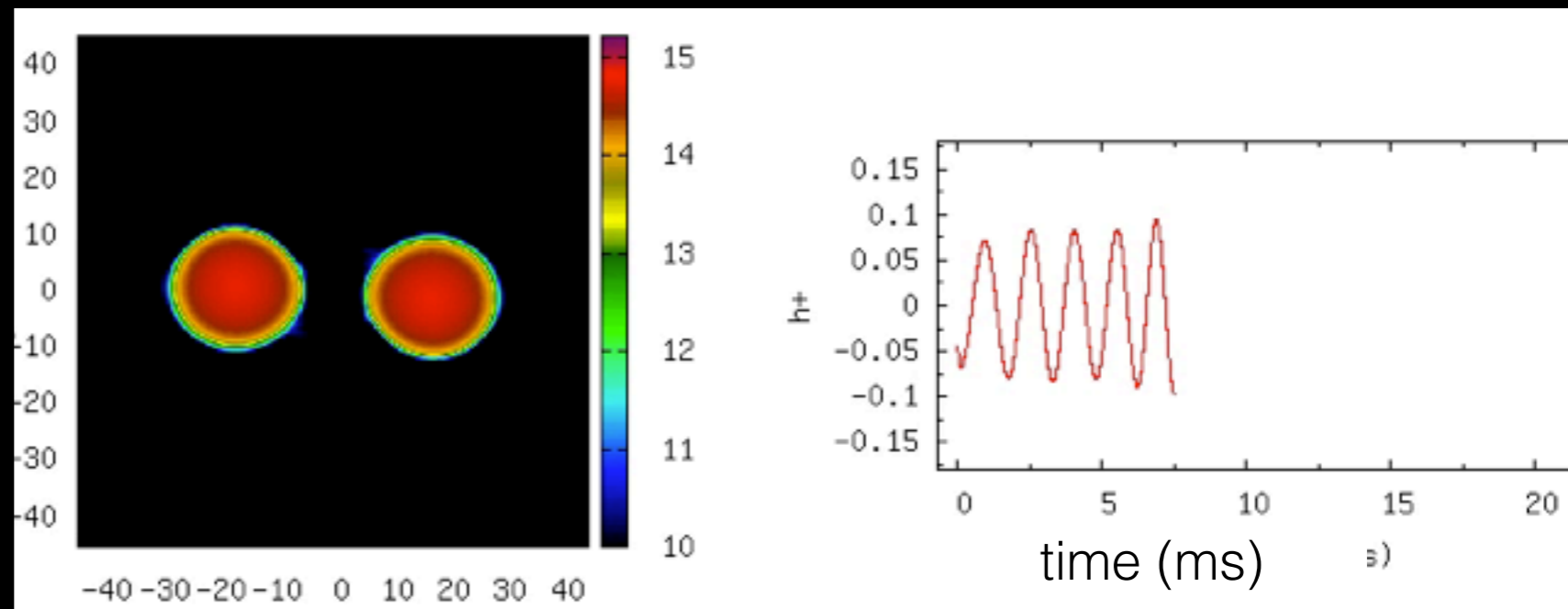
Flanagan and Hinderer 2008,

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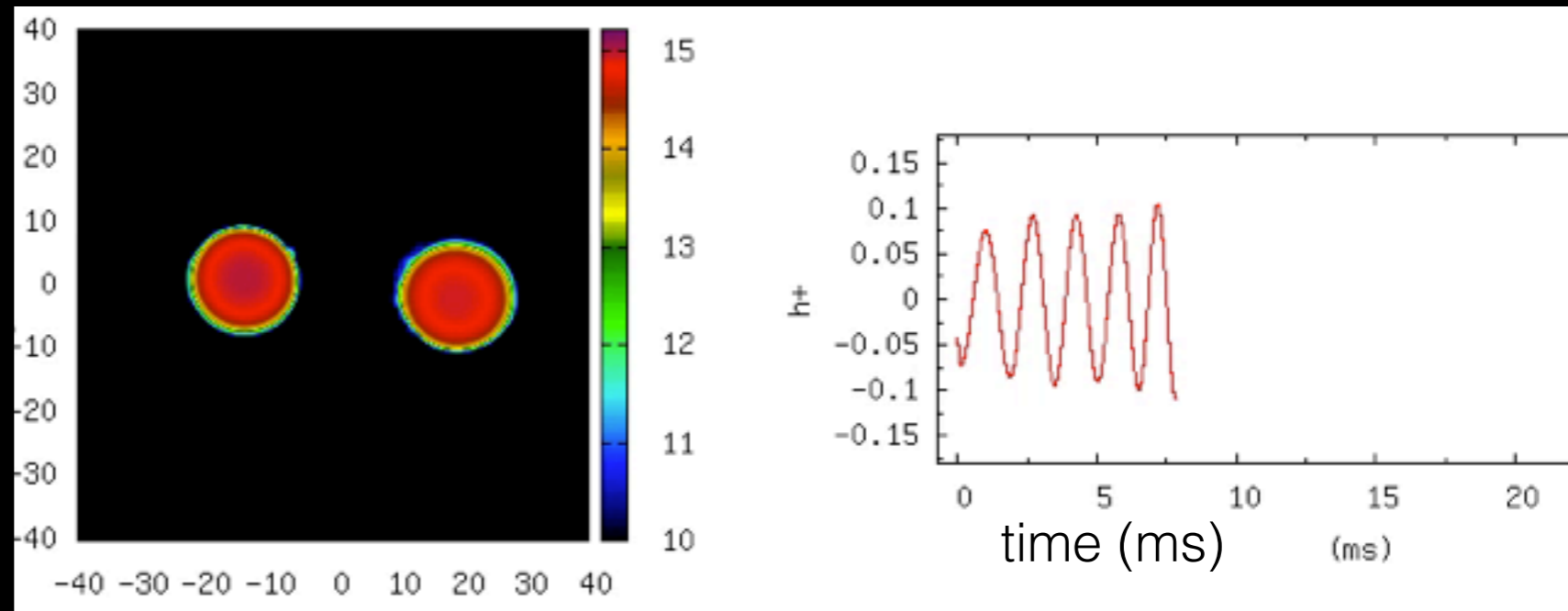


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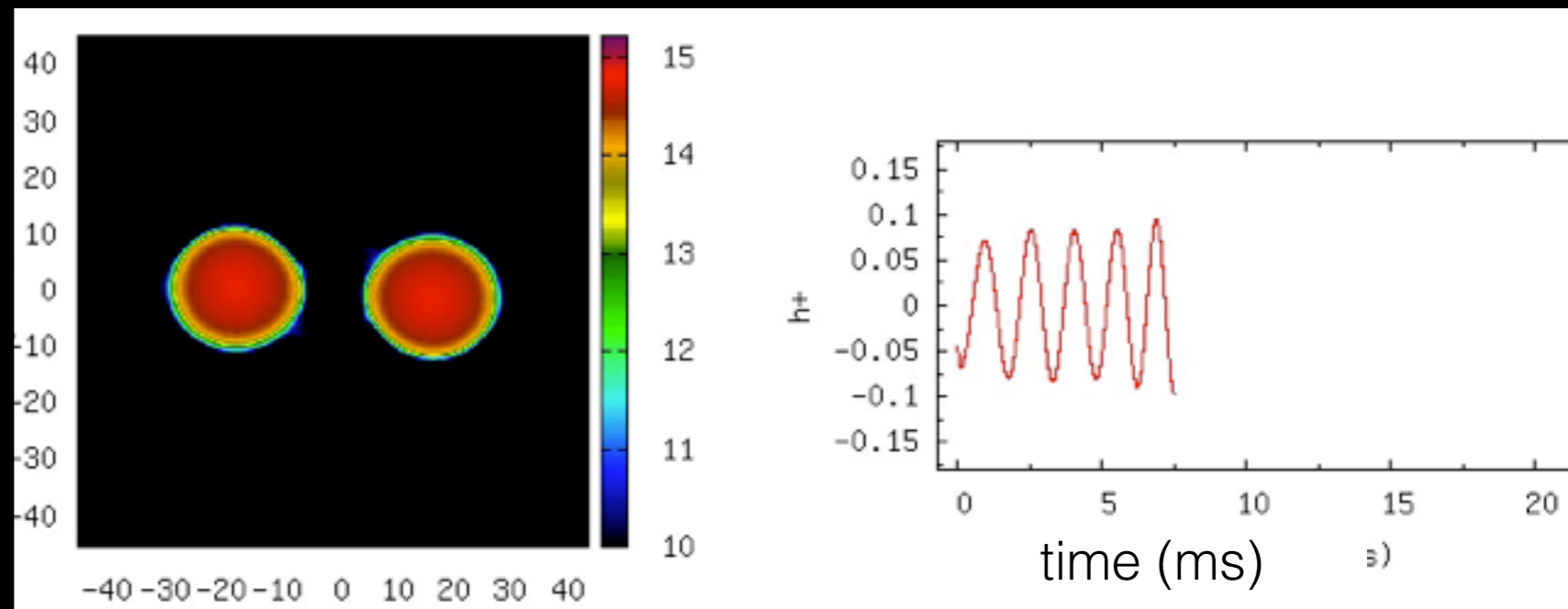


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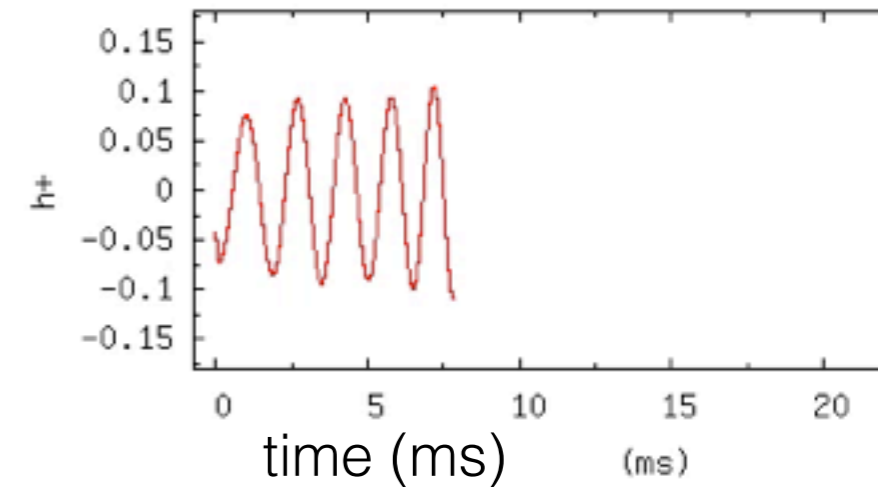
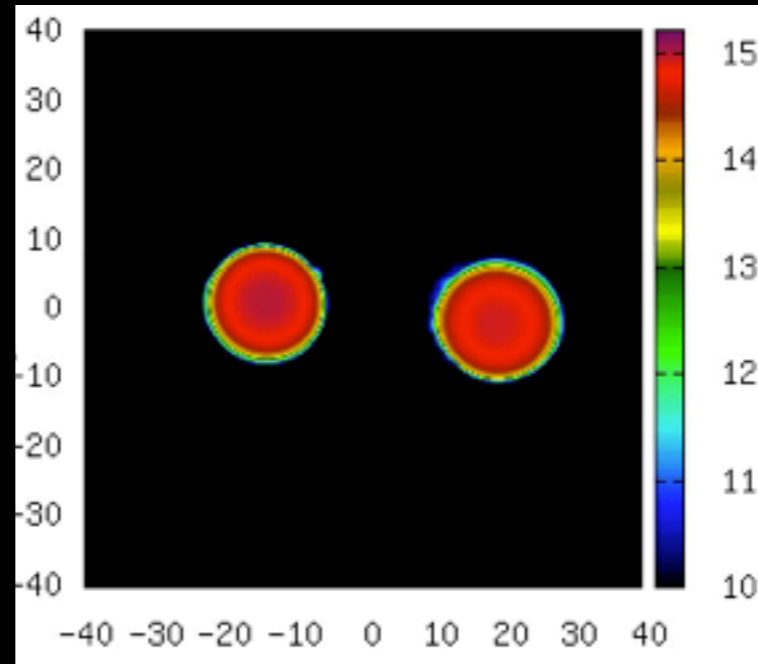


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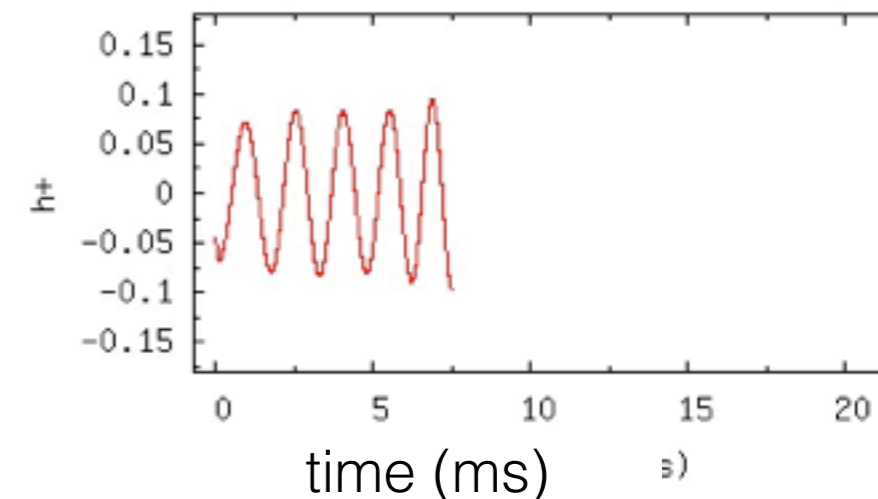
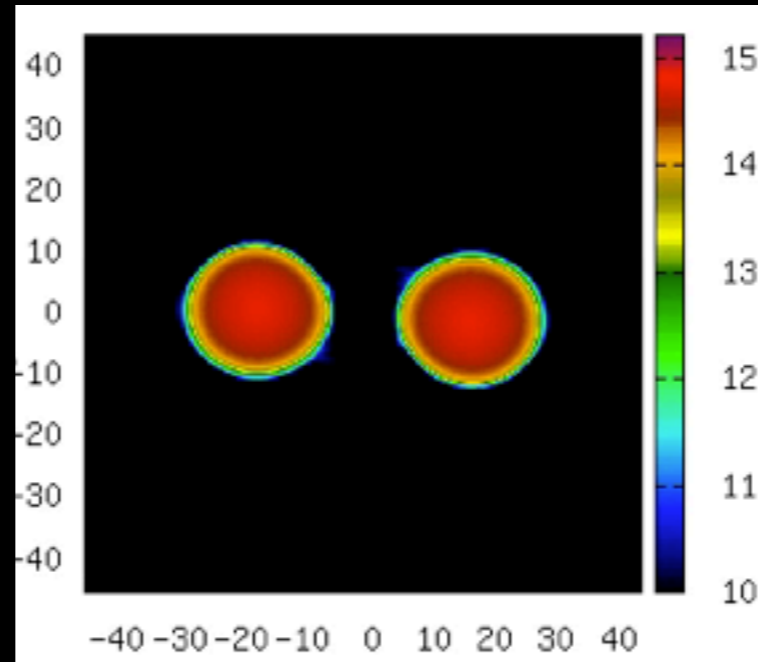
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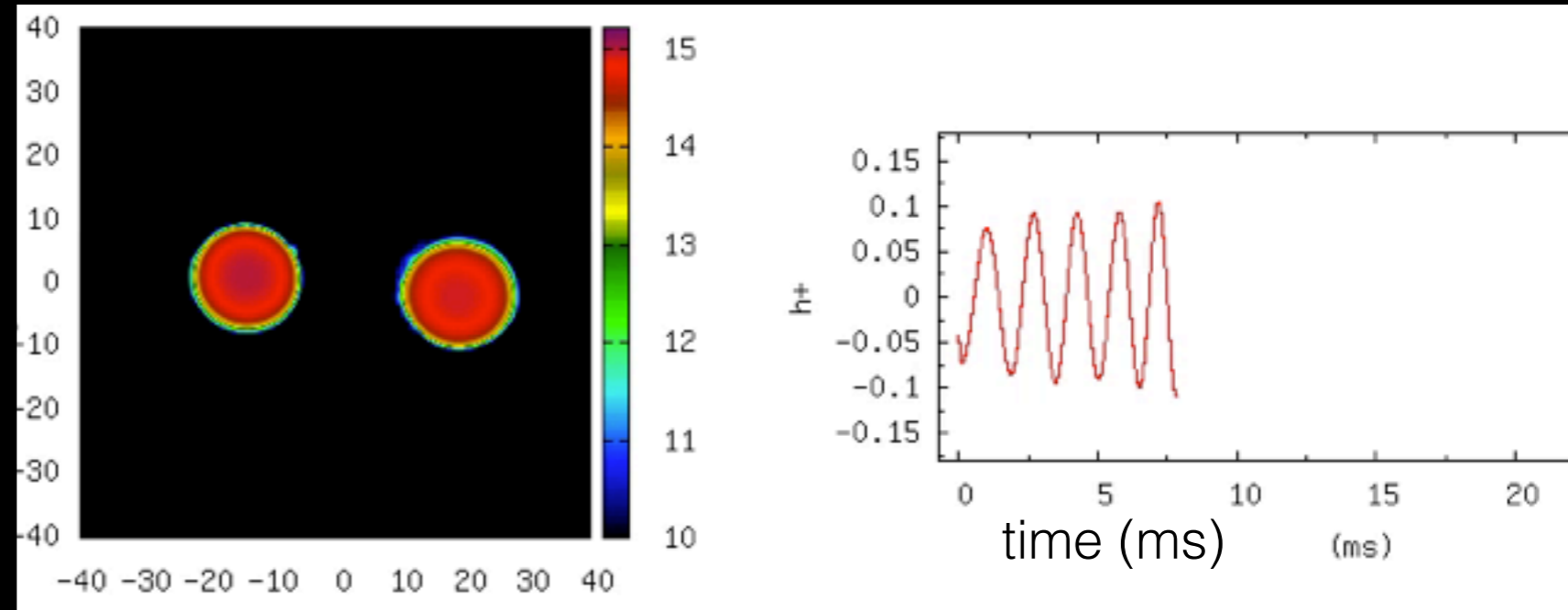
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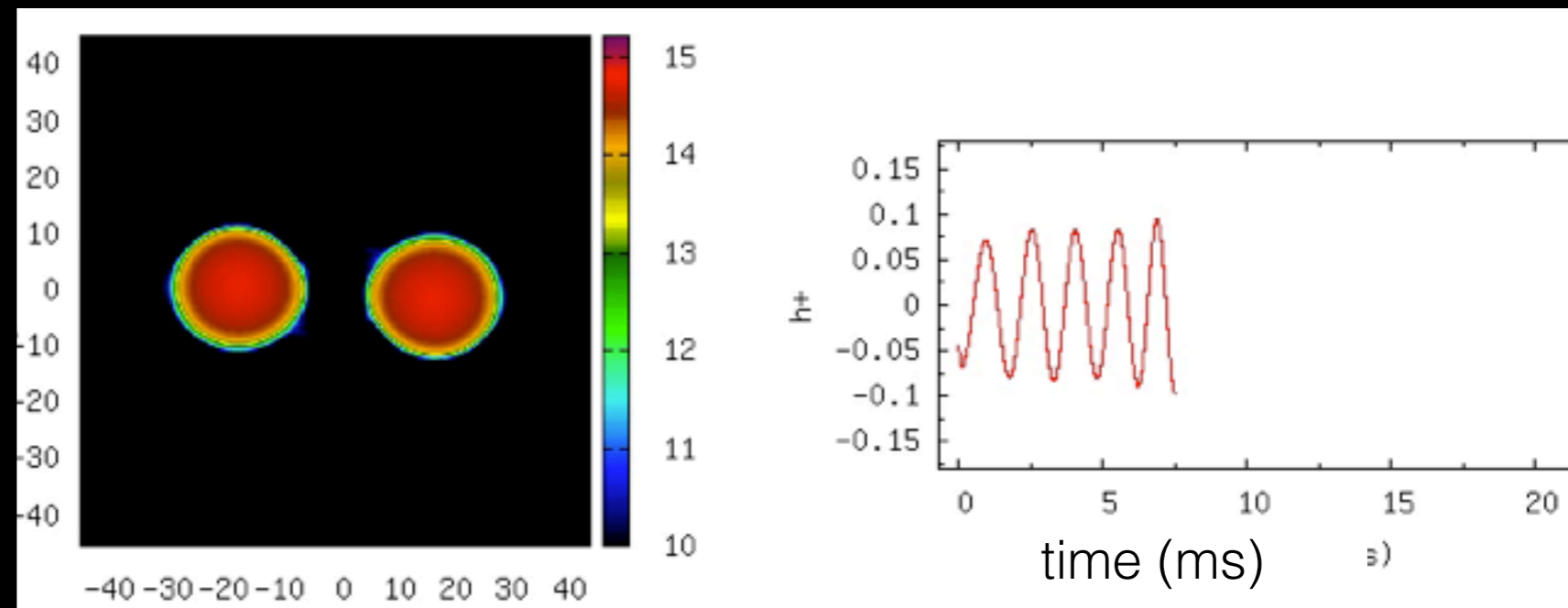
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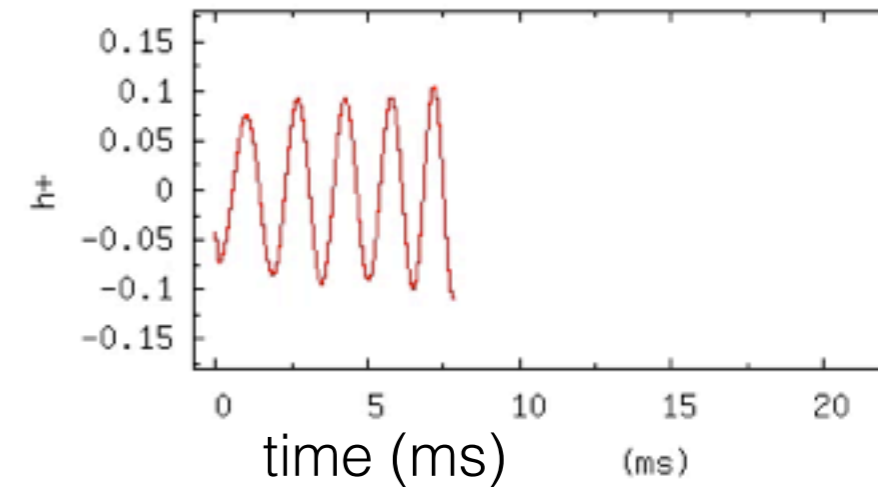
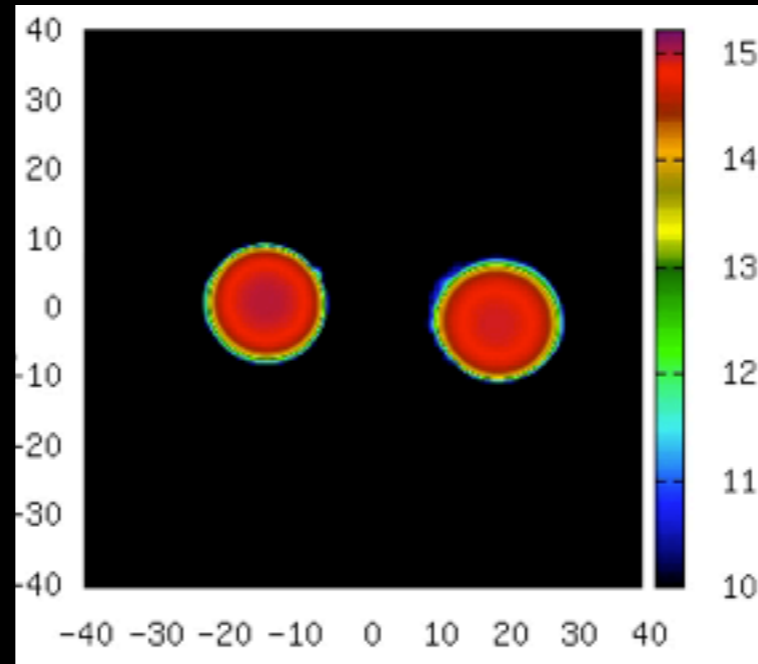
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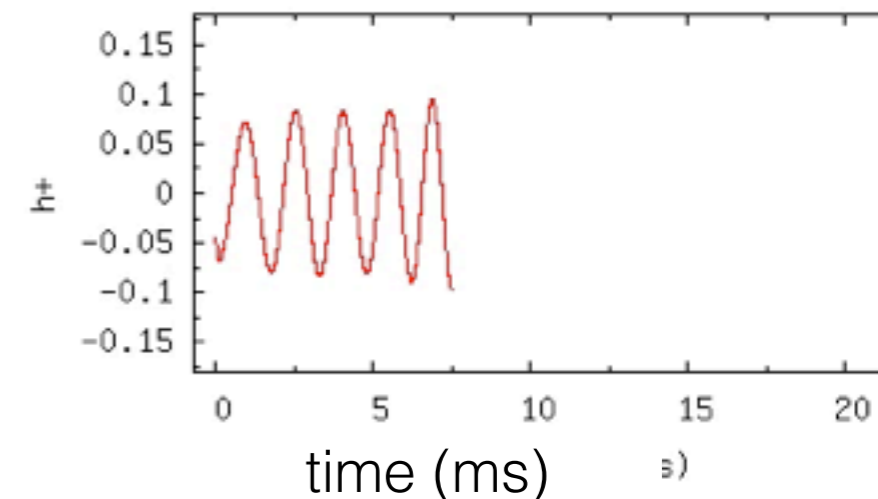
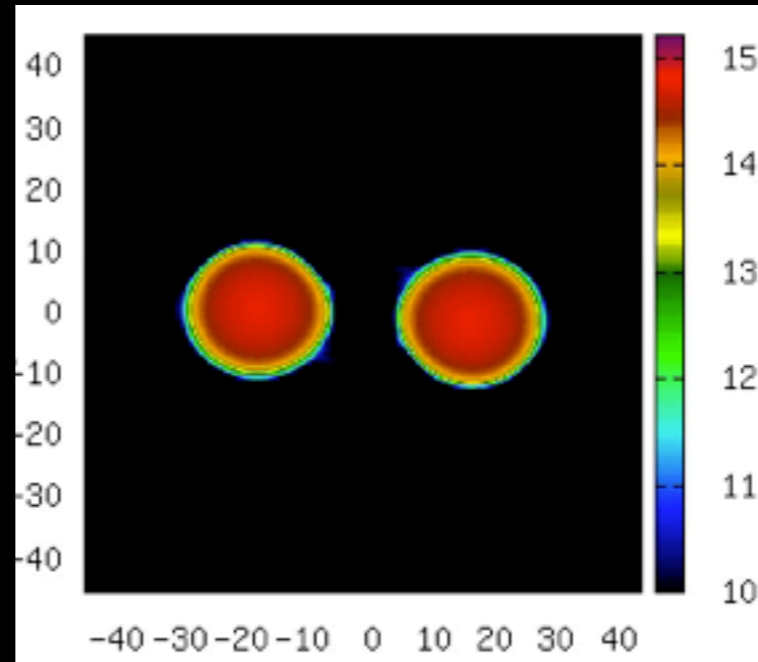
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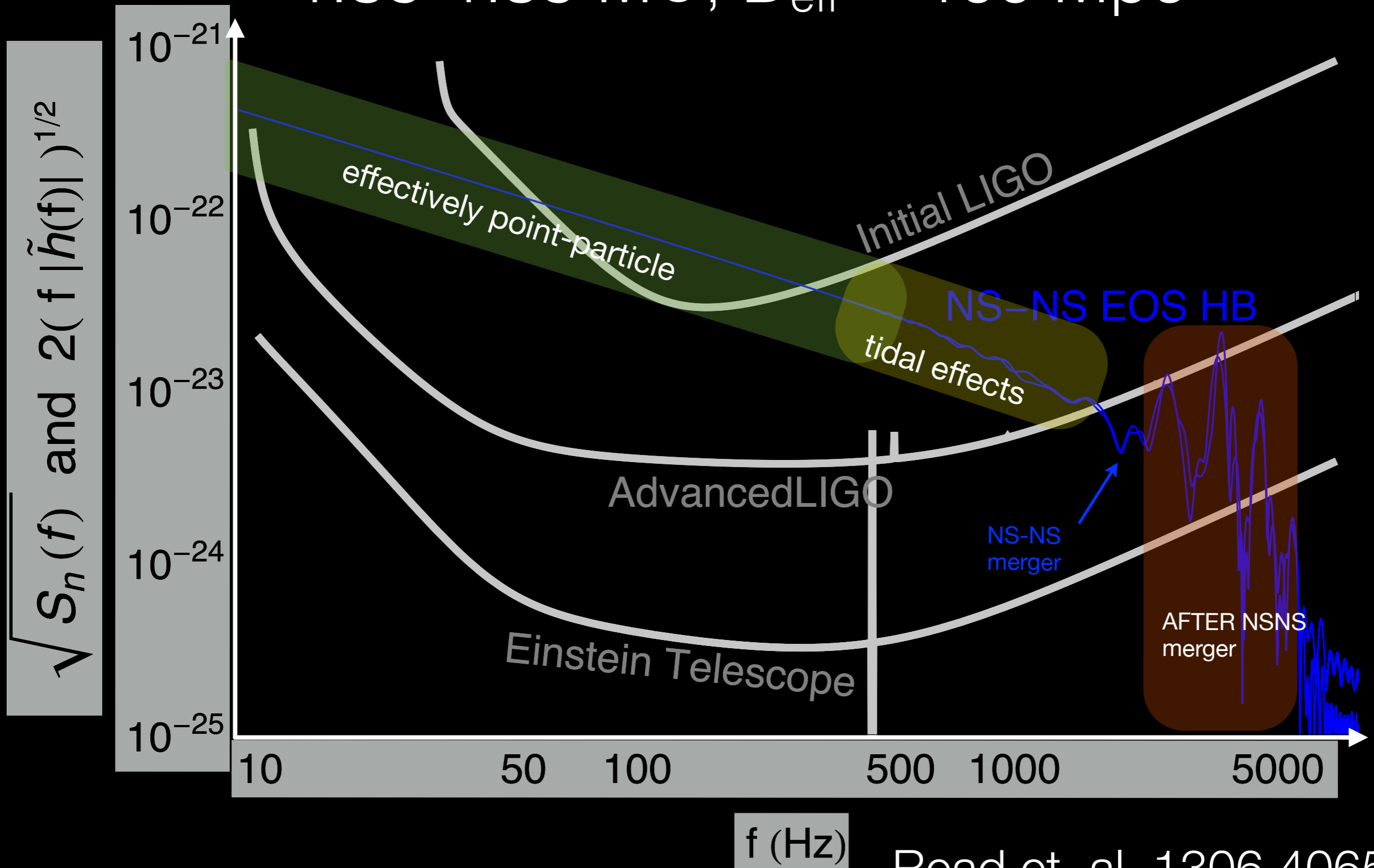
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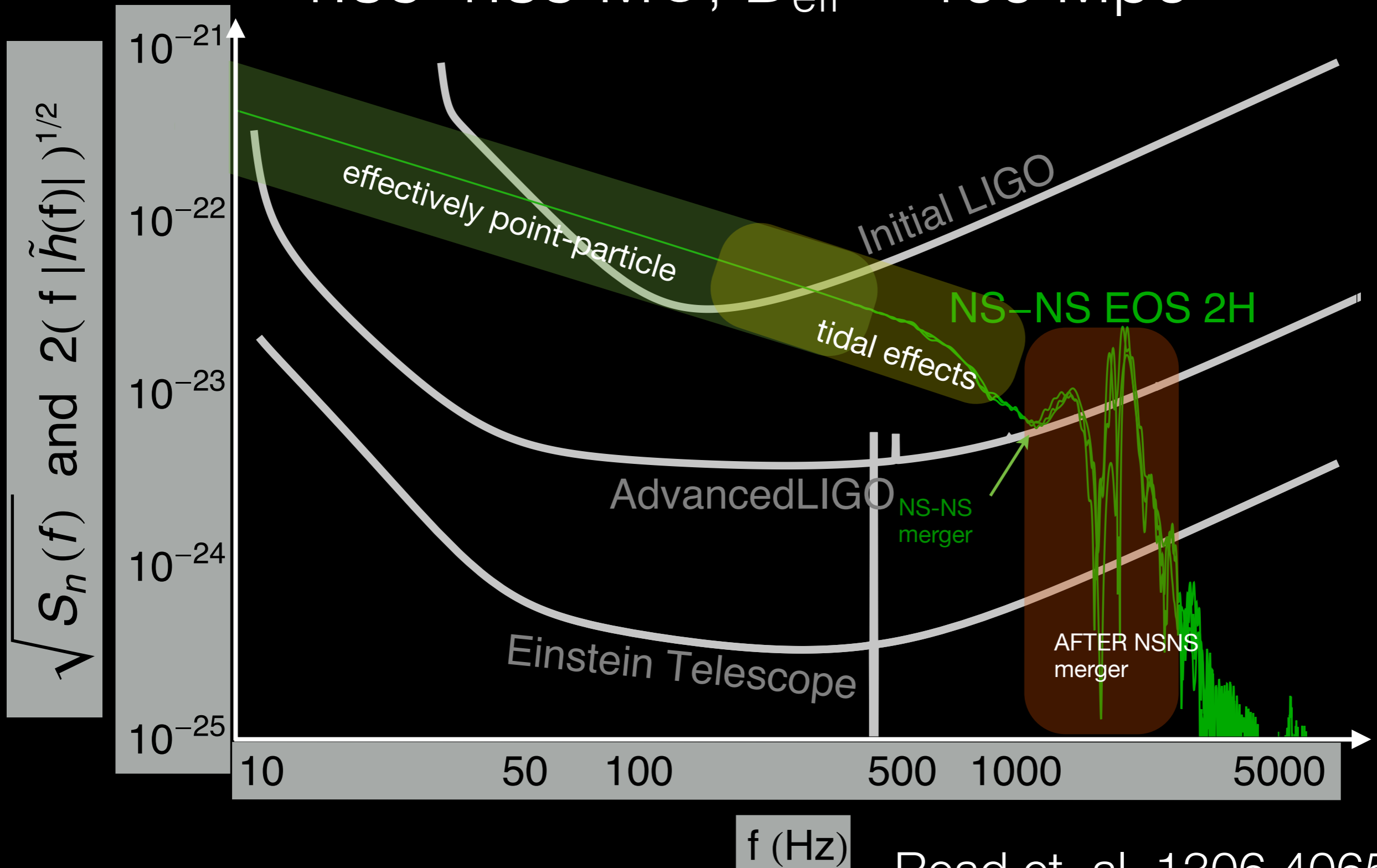
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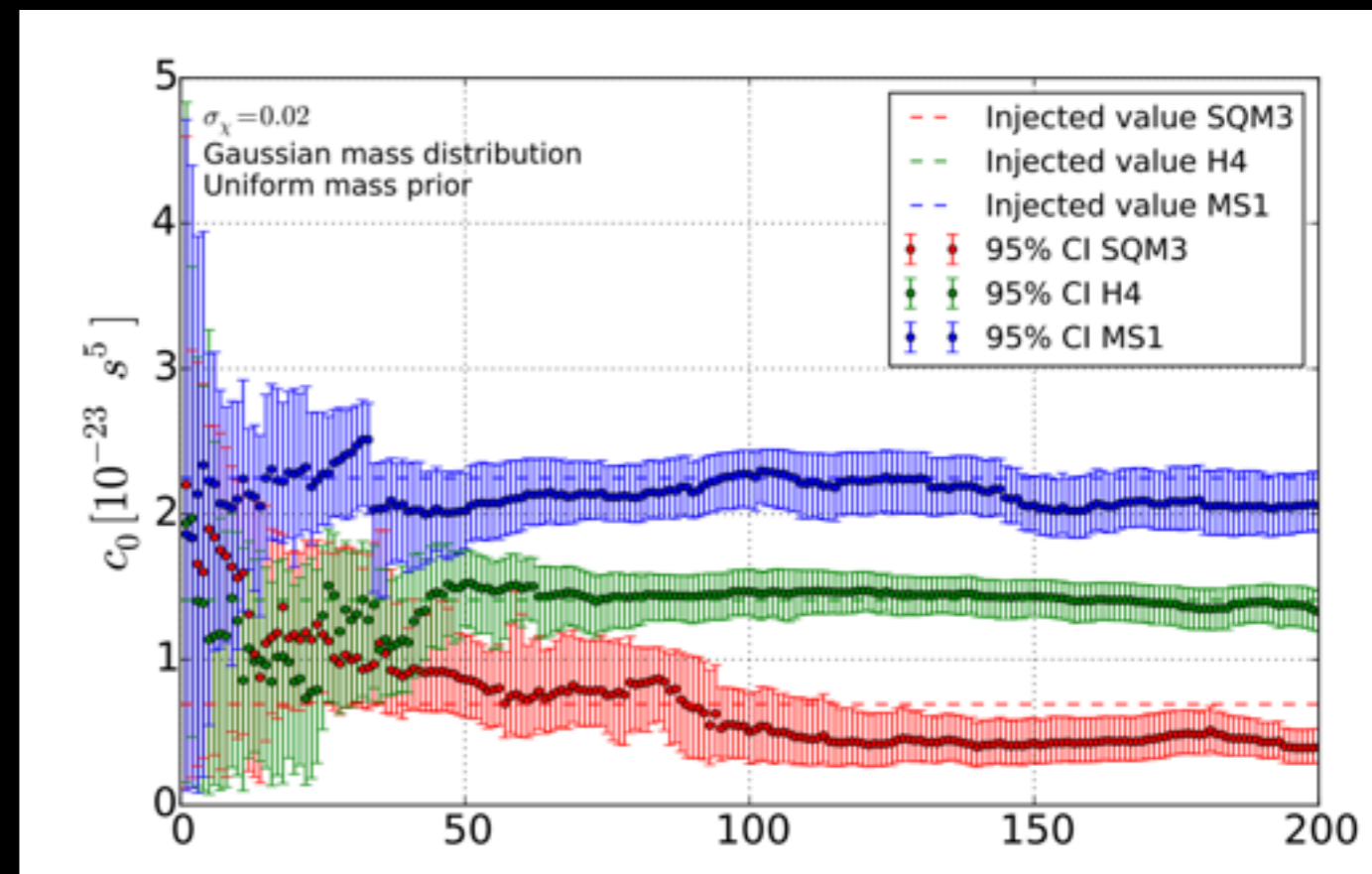
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# Learning about neutron-star matter from a population of GW signals

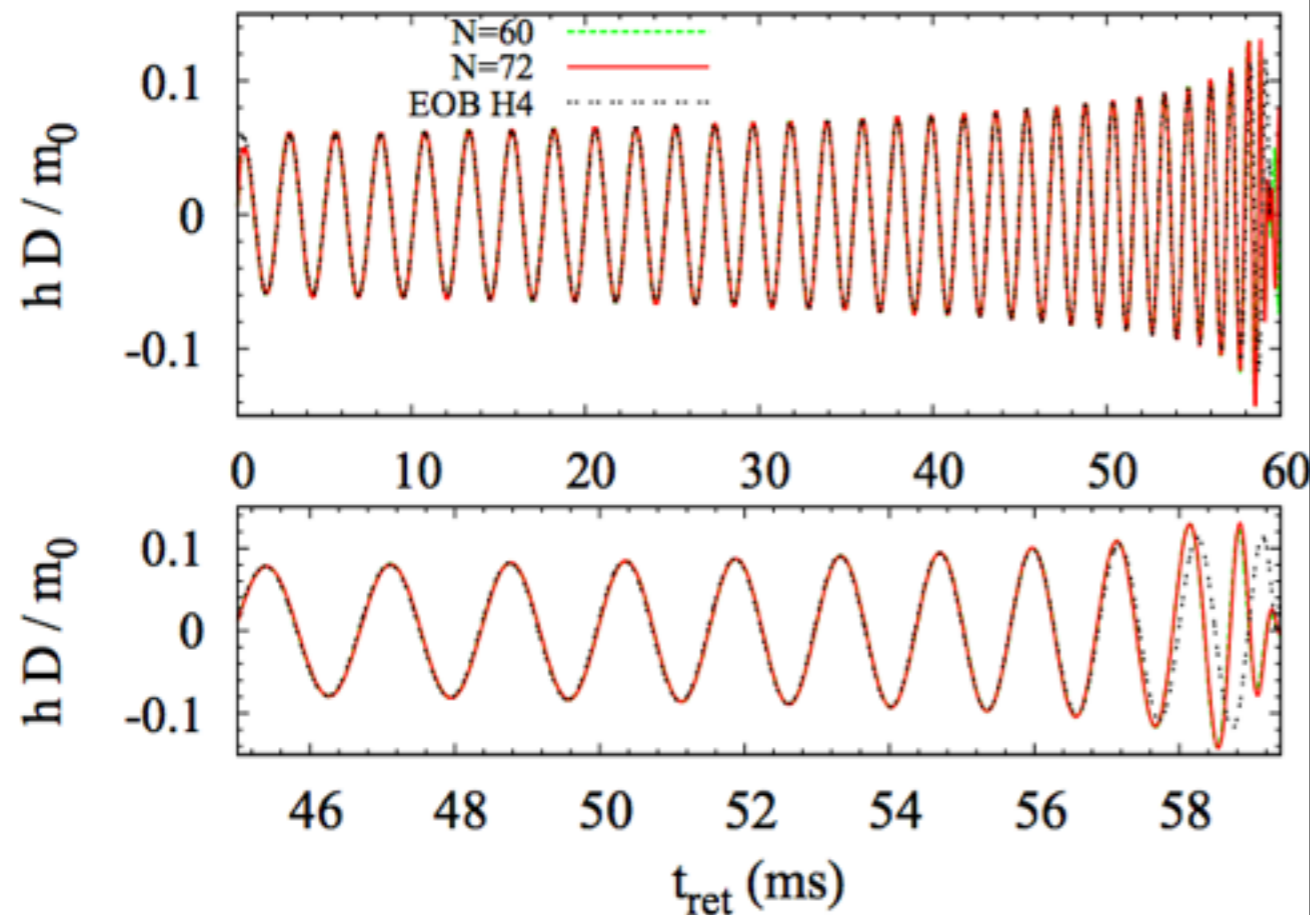
- Neutron-star mergers give useful information about the NS EOS
- Relies on accurate waveform modeling (PN models give significant systematic error: Favata 1310.8288, Yagi/Yunes: 1310.8358, Wade et al. 1402.5156)



Agathos et al arXiv:1503.05405

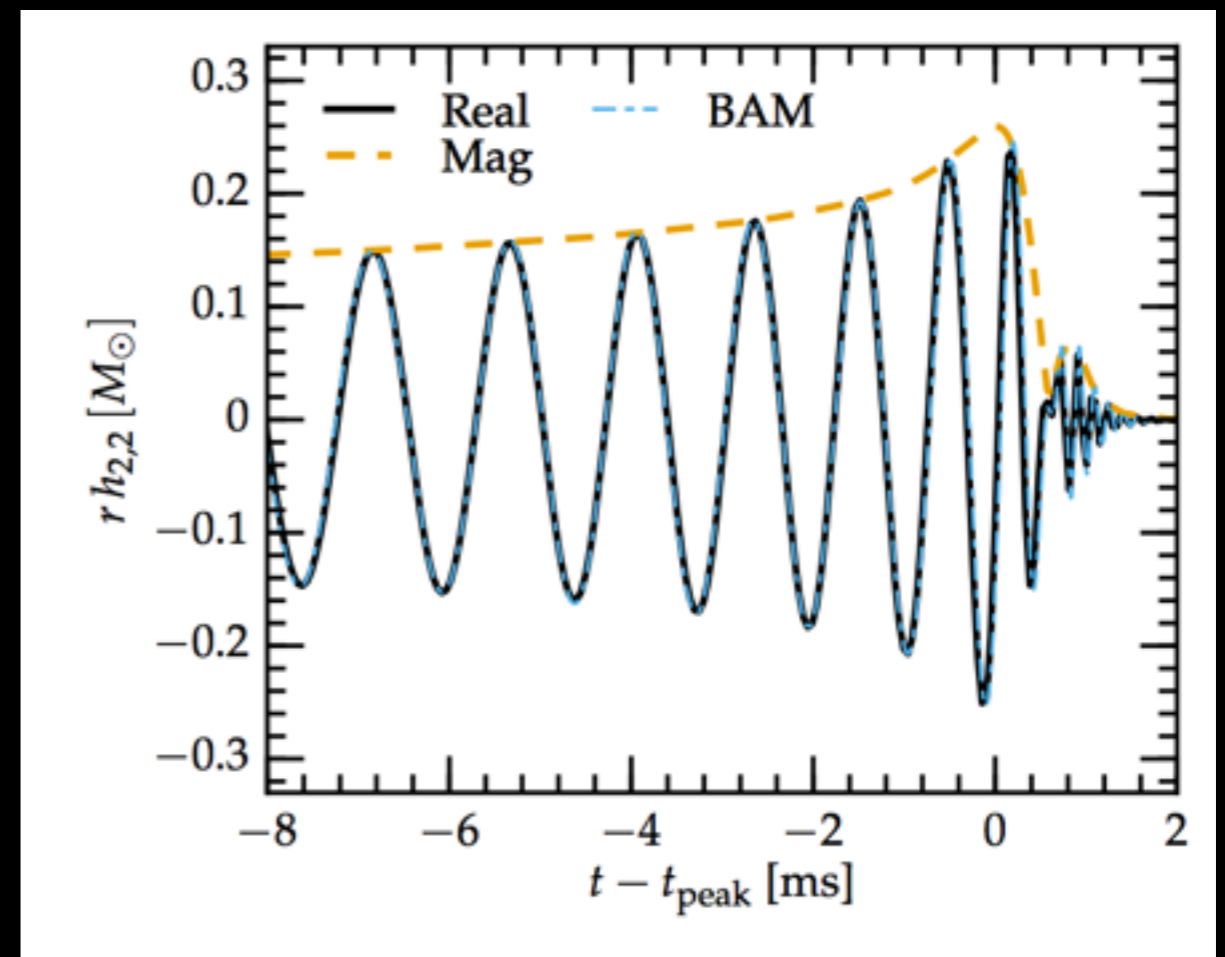
# Accurate Merger Simulations

Hotokezaka et al  
1502.03457



estimated total phase error  
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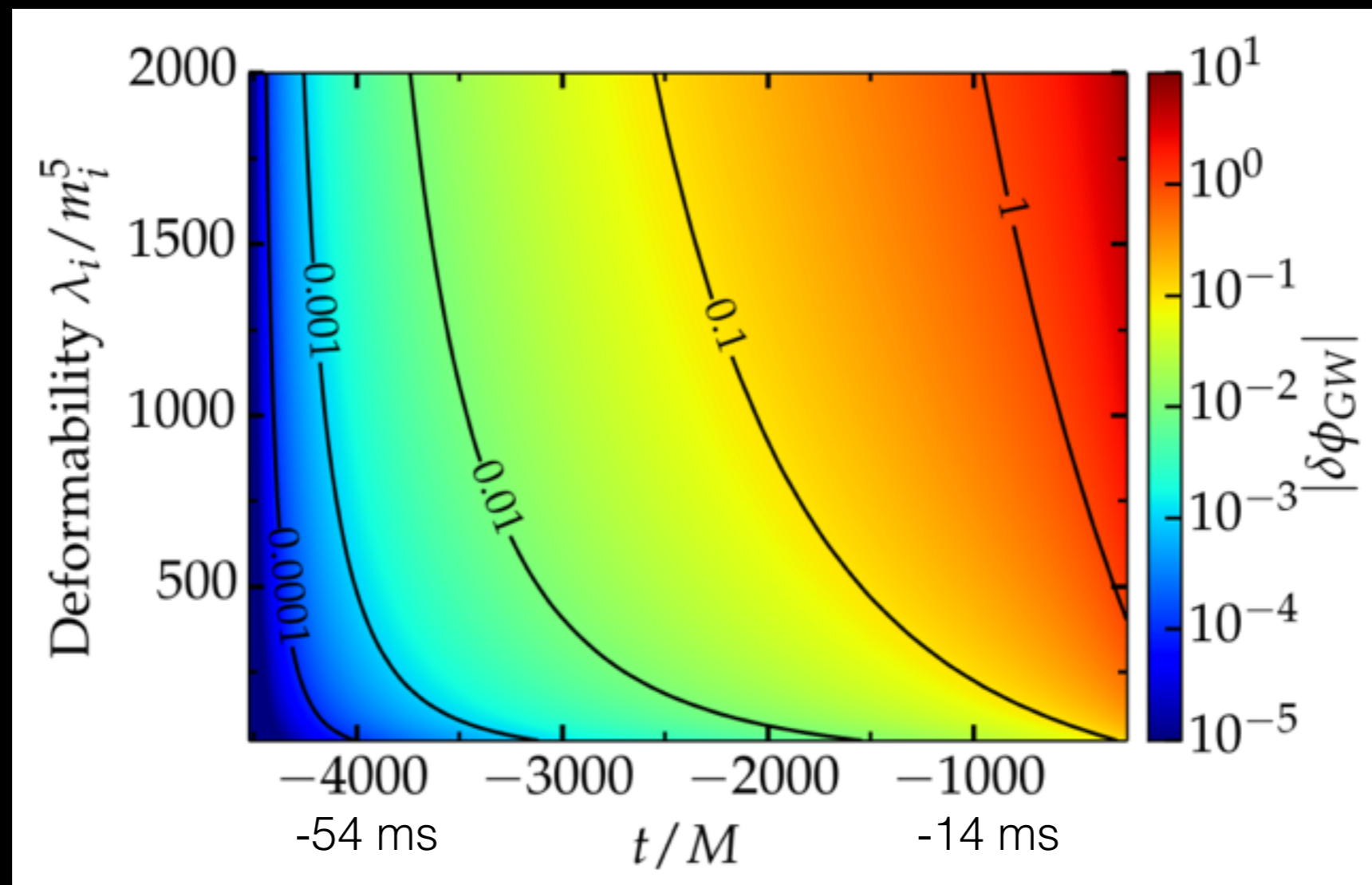
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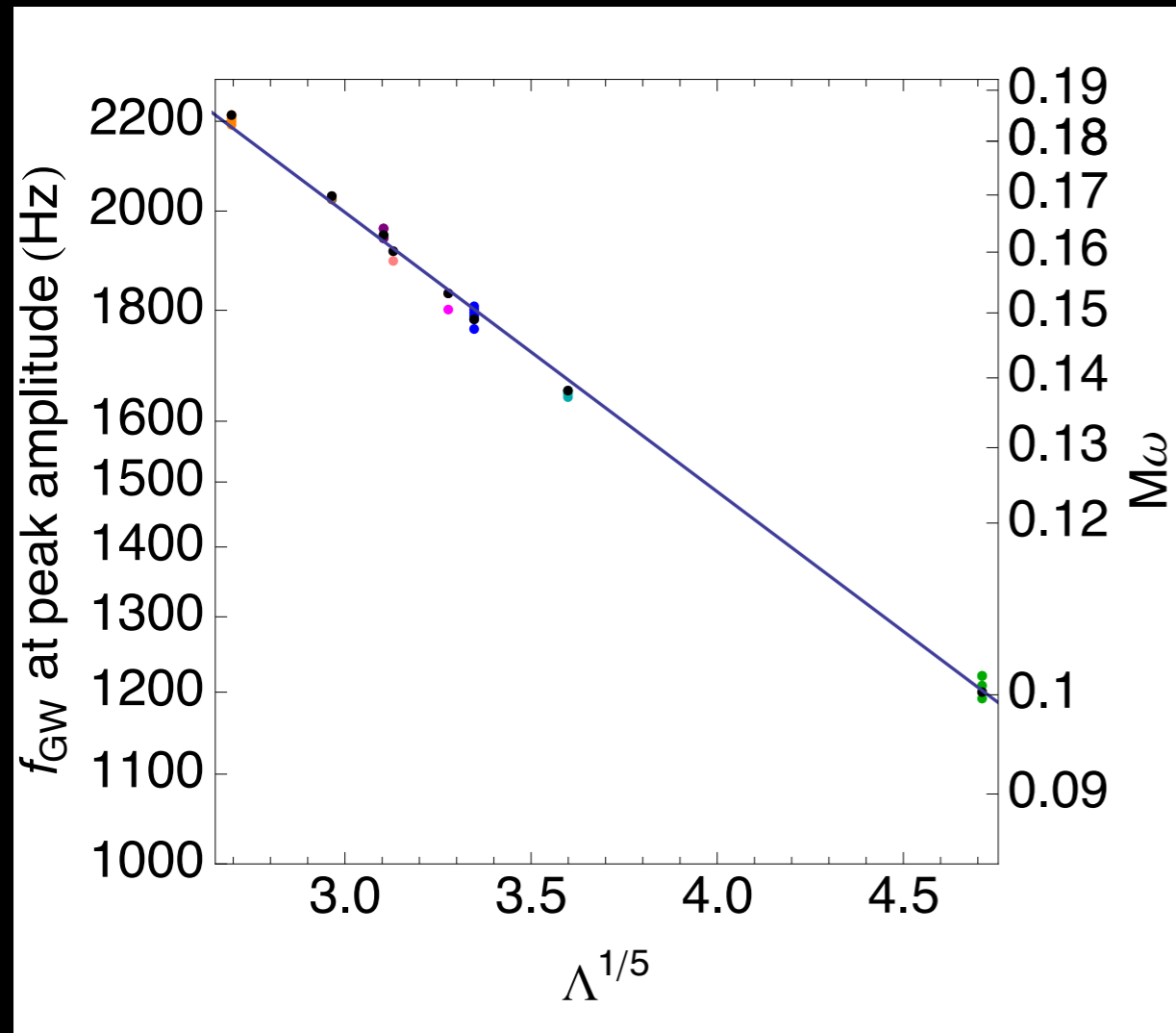
Waveforms aligned  
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Note: Early inspiral tidal effects  
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Phase differences between BBH and BNS

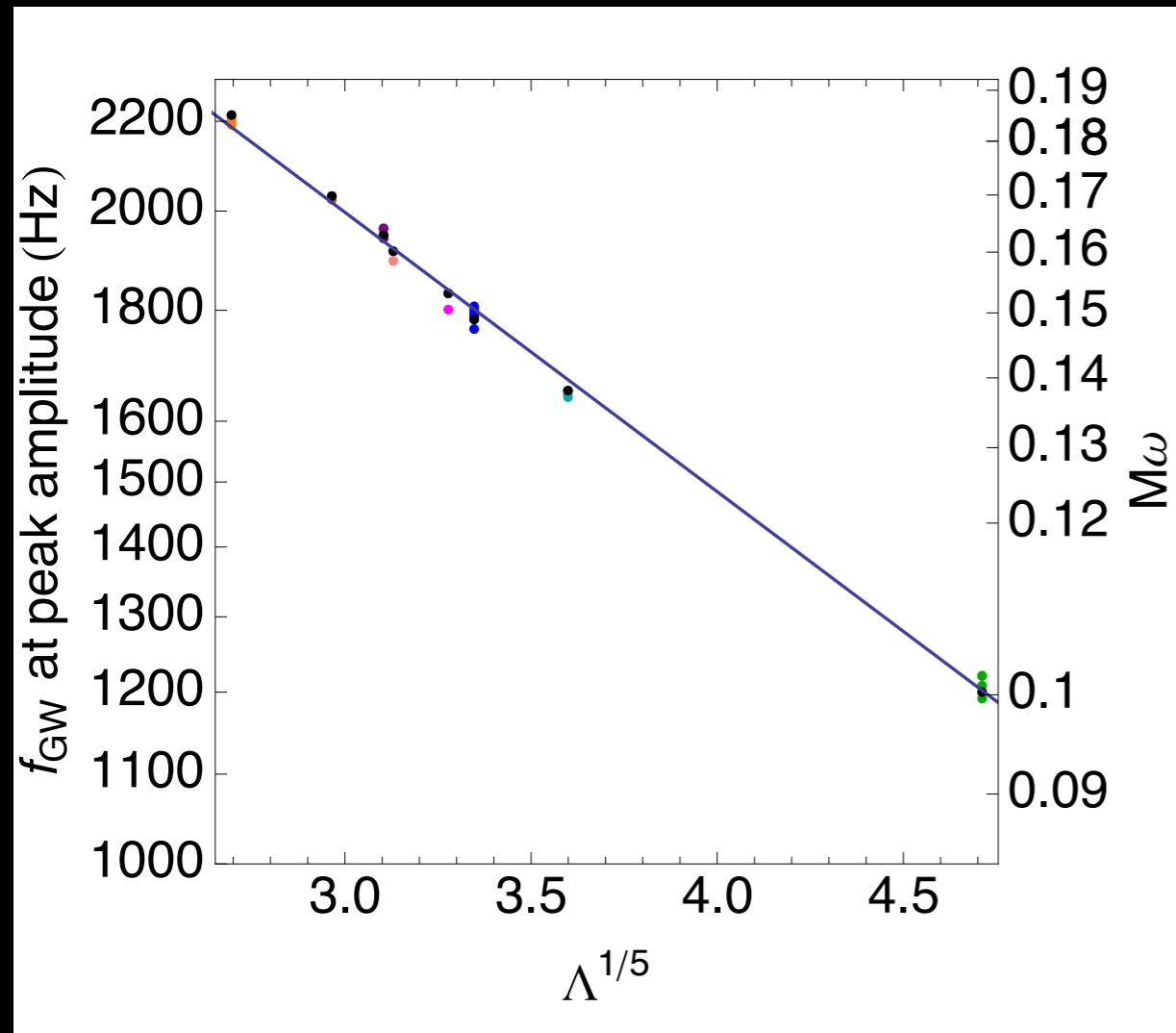


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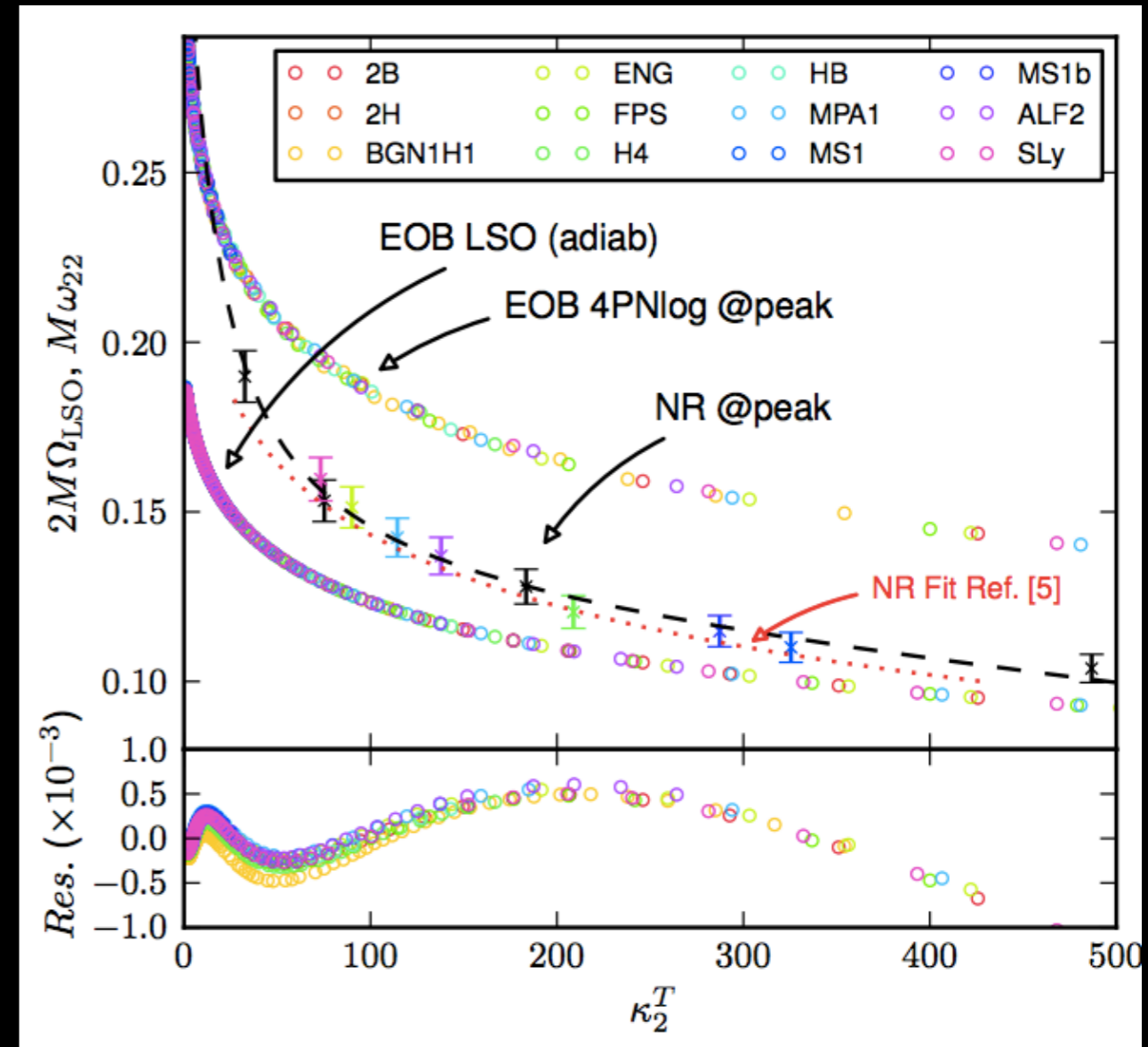
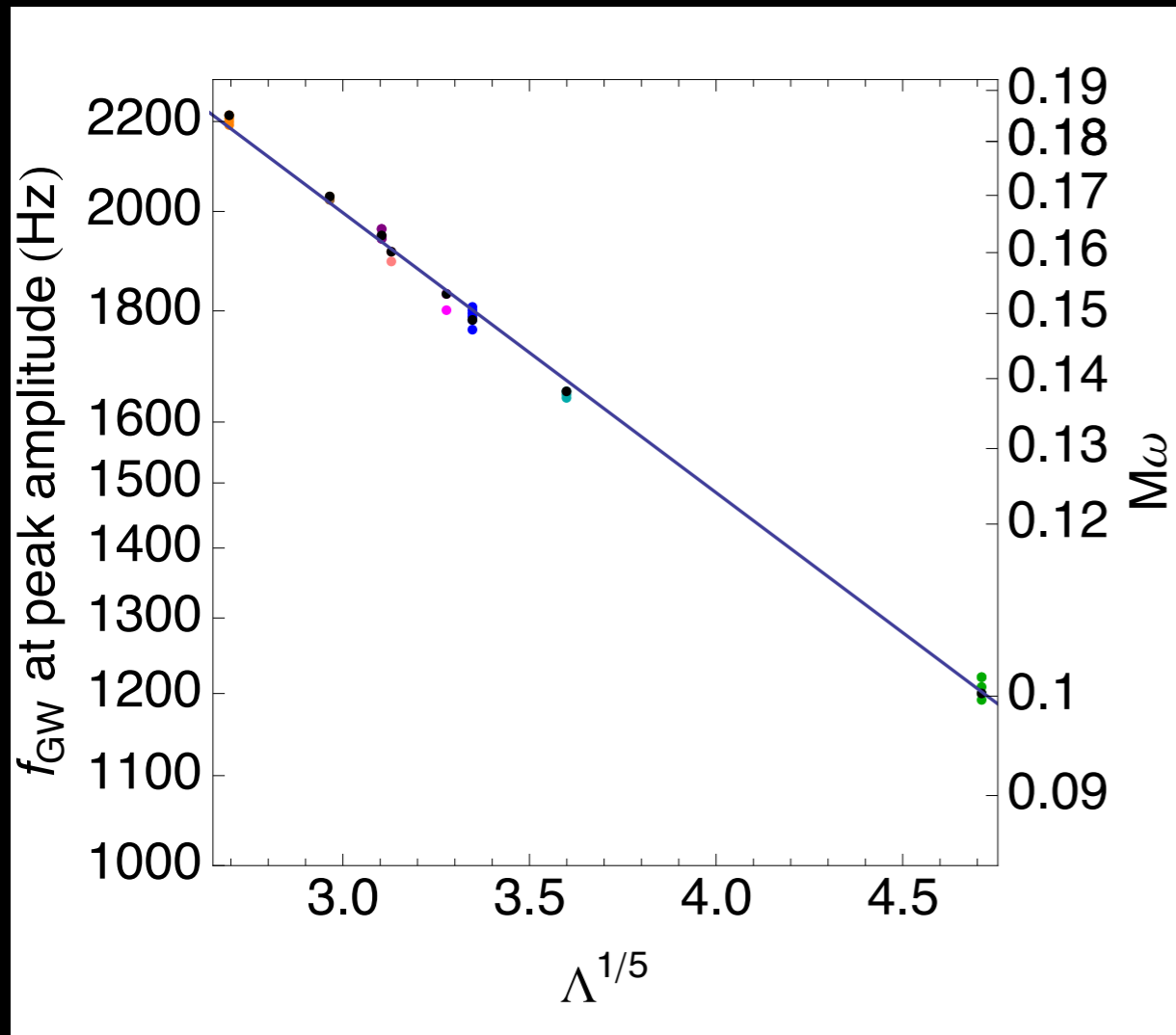
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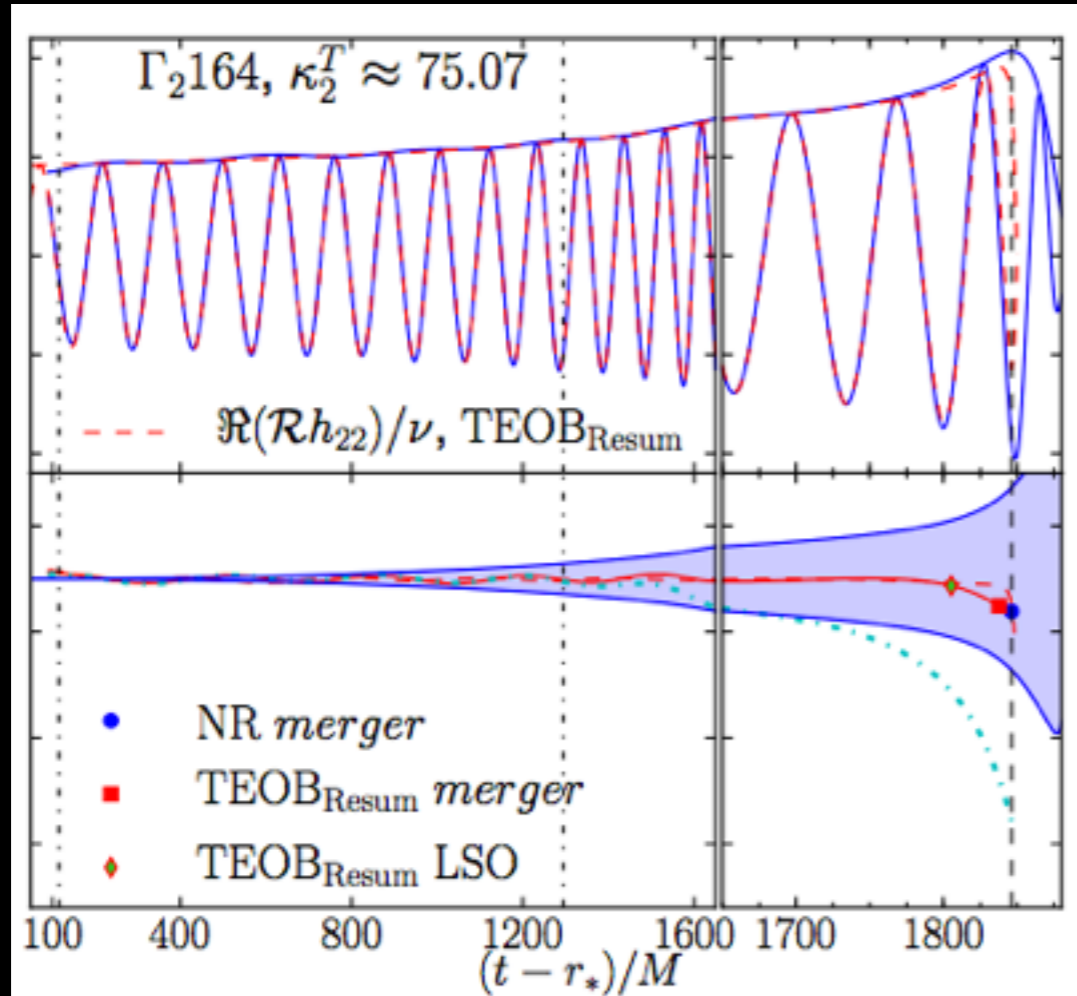


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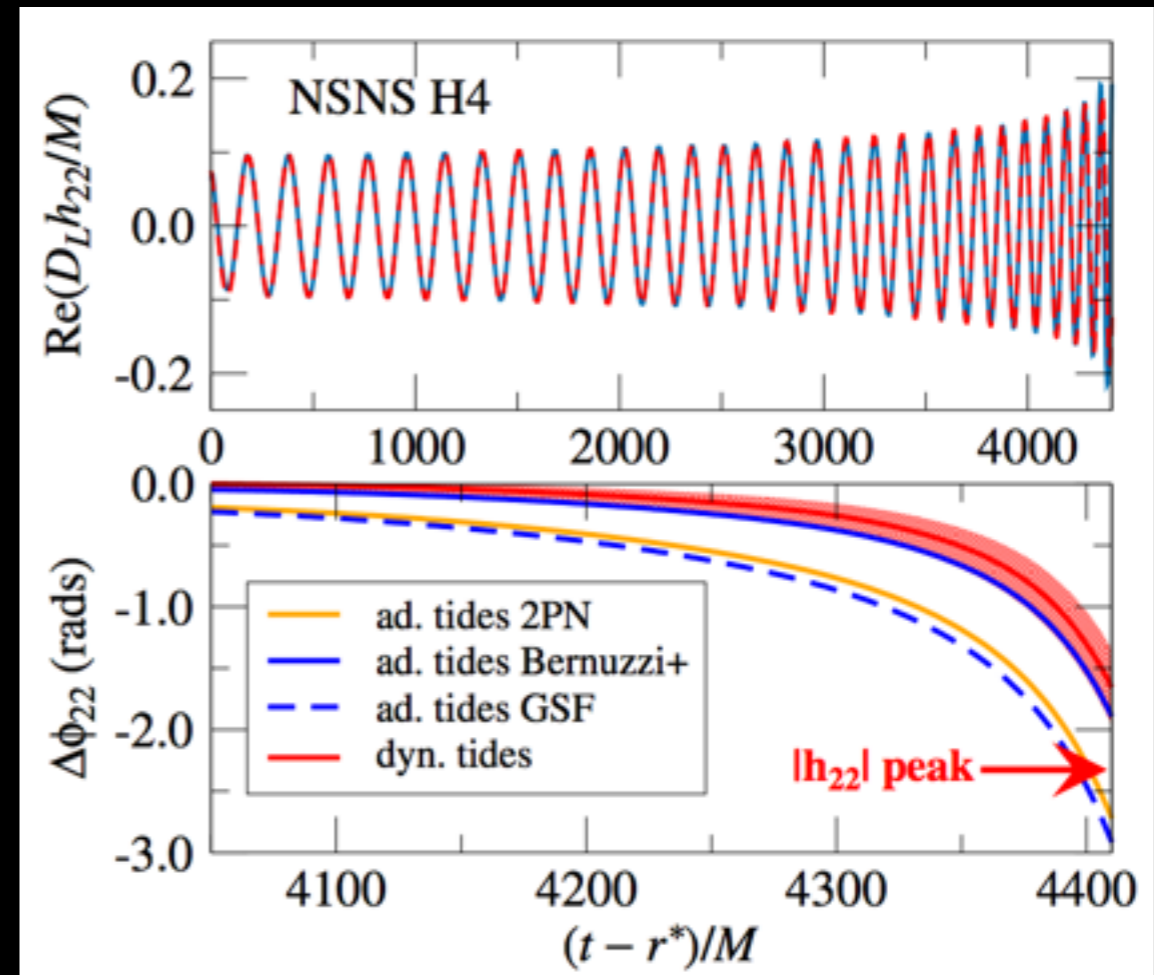
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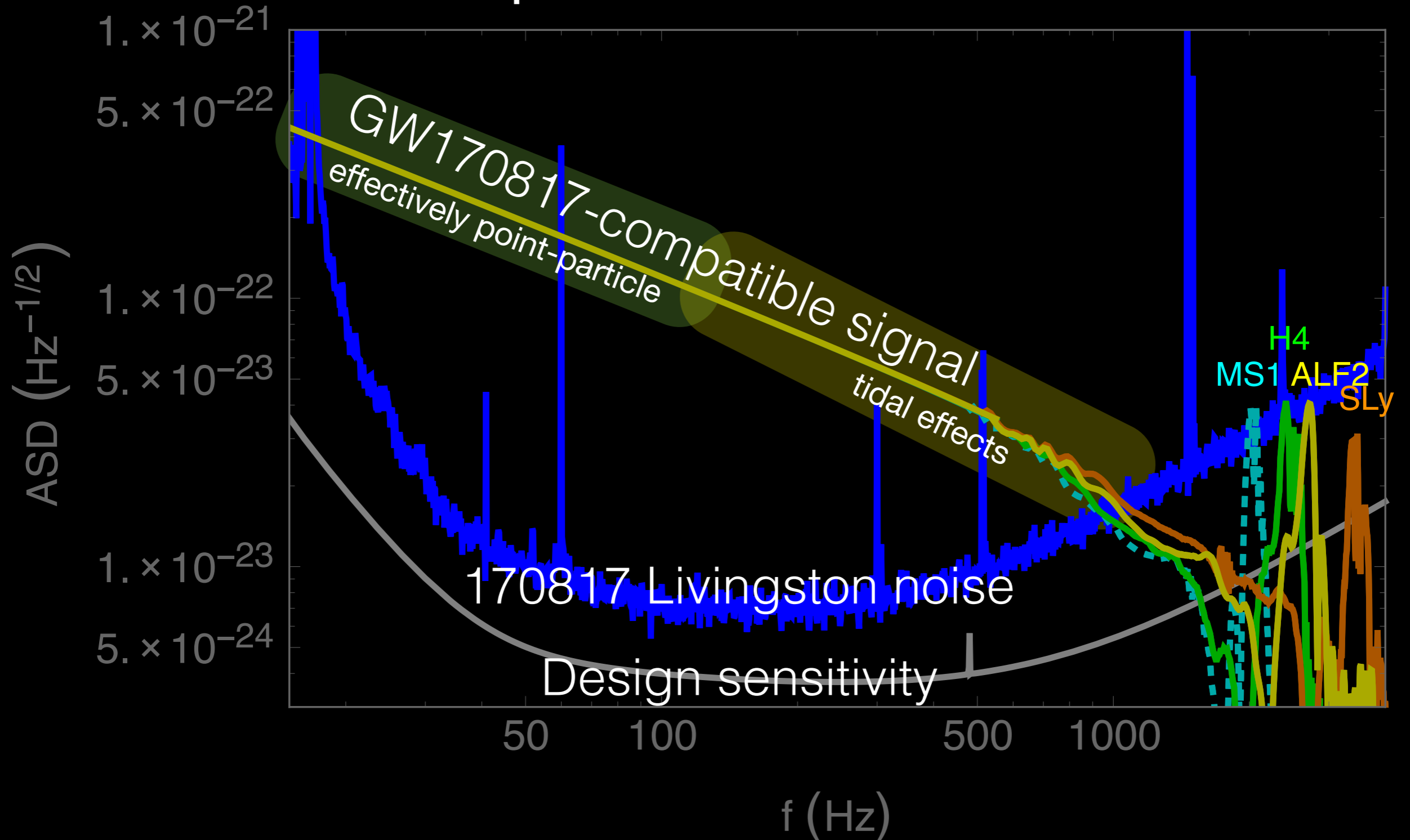


- Hinderer et al 1602.00599



- EOB plus tidal corrections plus higher-order effects: semi-analytic models capture inspiral-to-merger phase
- Phenomenological extensions to improve agreement with NR (Bernuzzi, Dietrich, & Tichy 2017 NRTides + SEOB used for GW170817 systematics in LSC/Virgo PRL 119, 161101 (2017))

# EOS Impact on GW170817

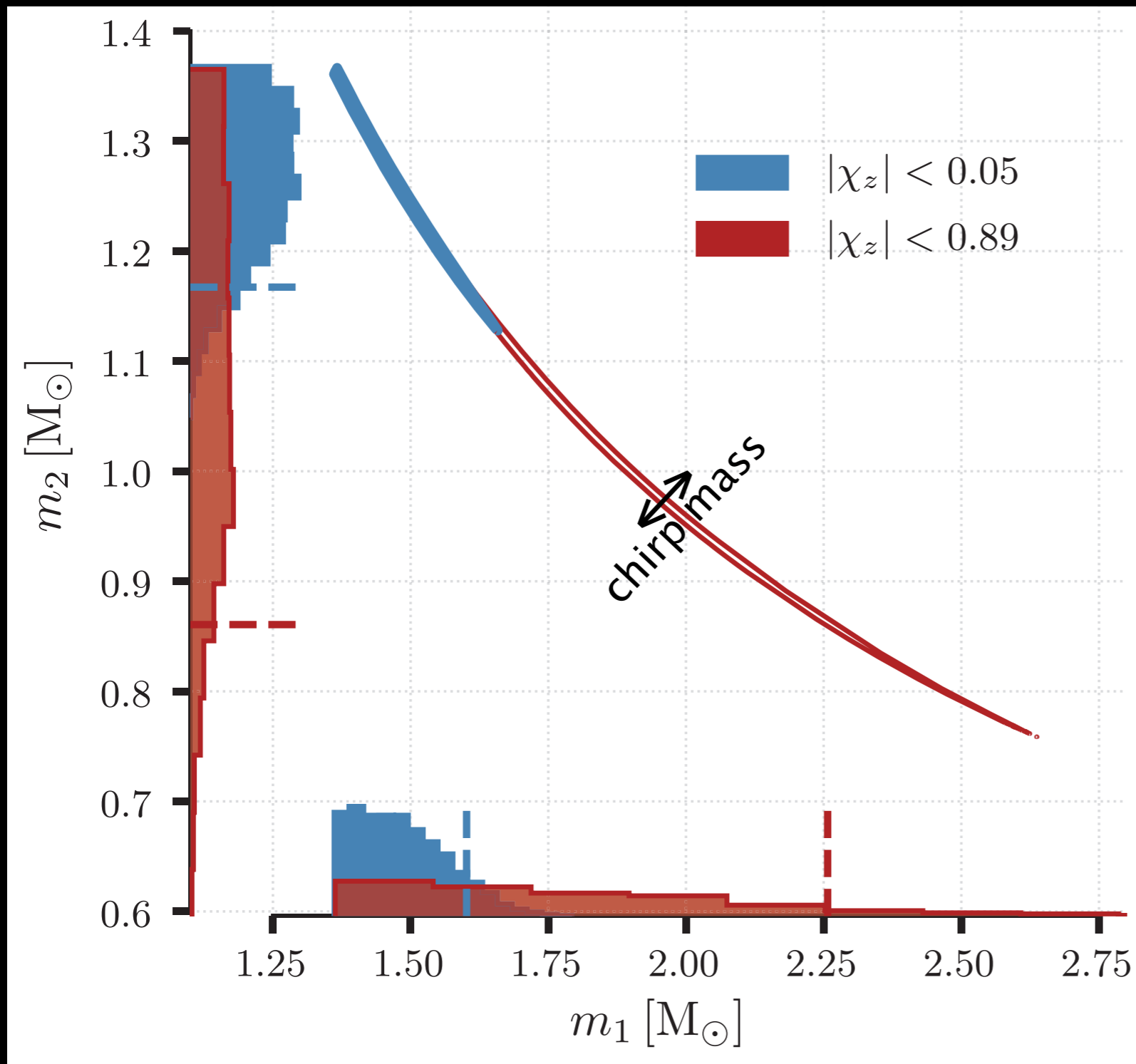


Above 500Hz: amplitude from simulation data  
Tim Dietrich (AEI/FSU/BAM Collaboration)

Phys. Rev. D95(12):124006 and Phys. Rev. D95(2):024029, used for NRTides

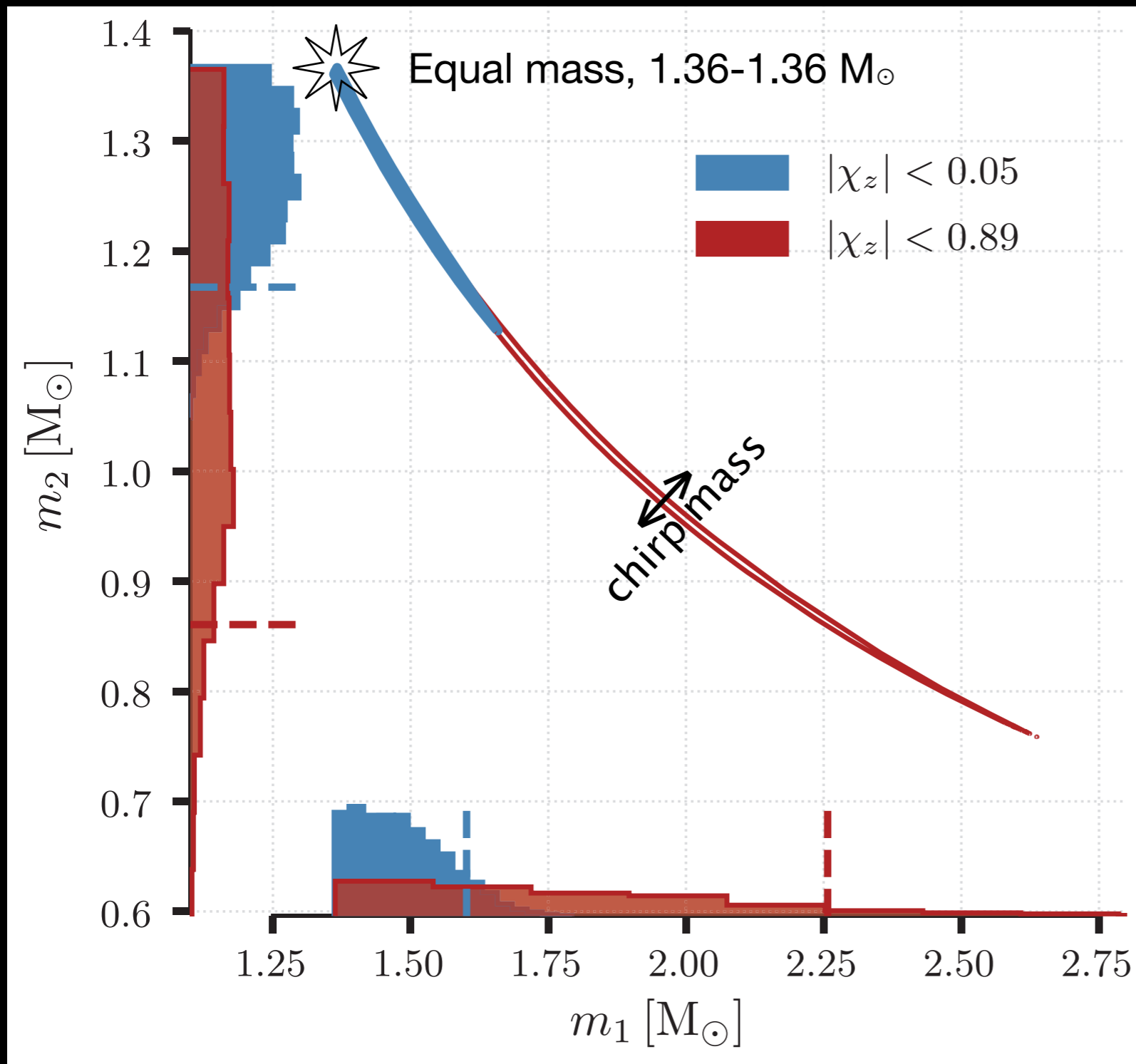


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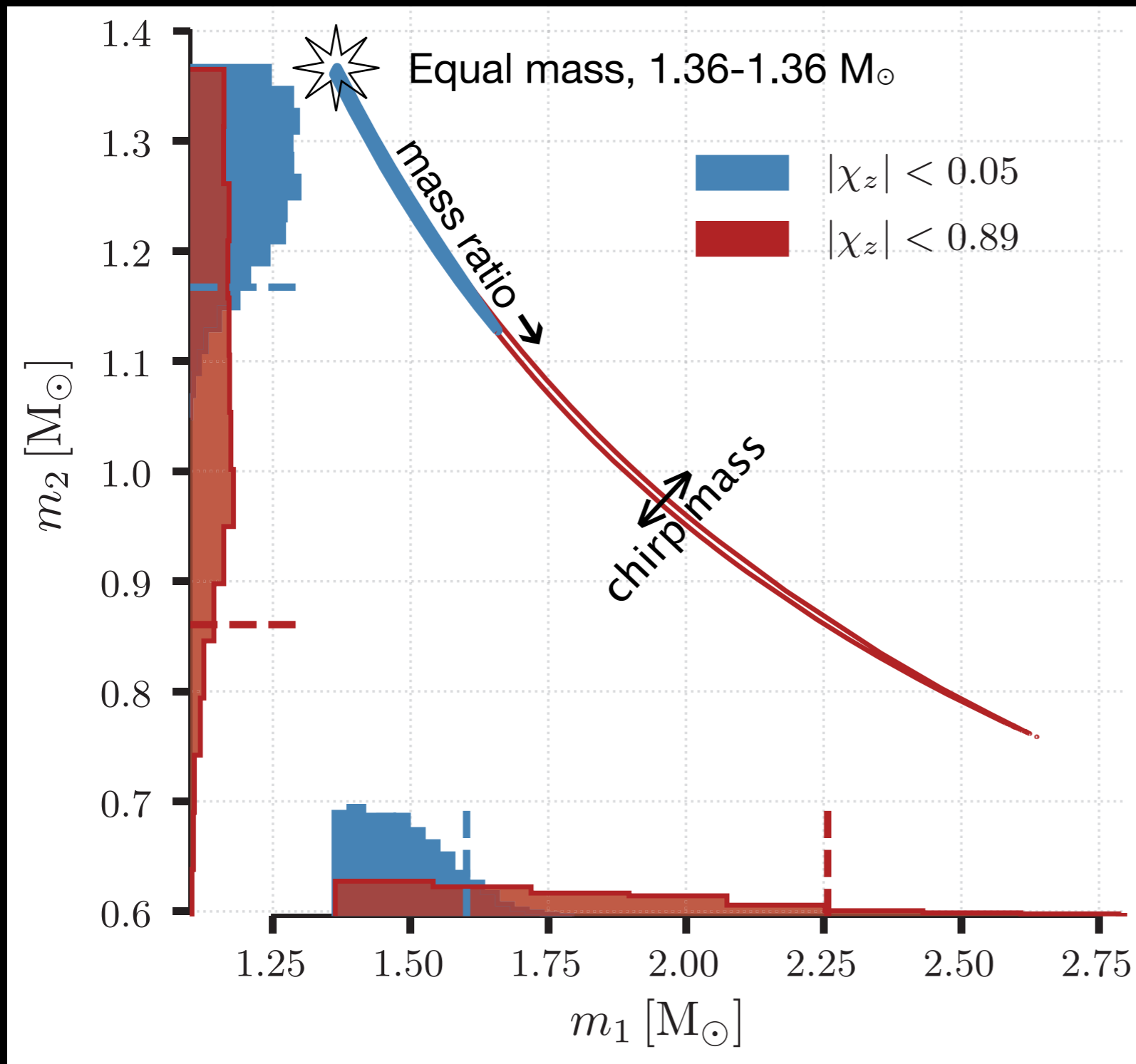
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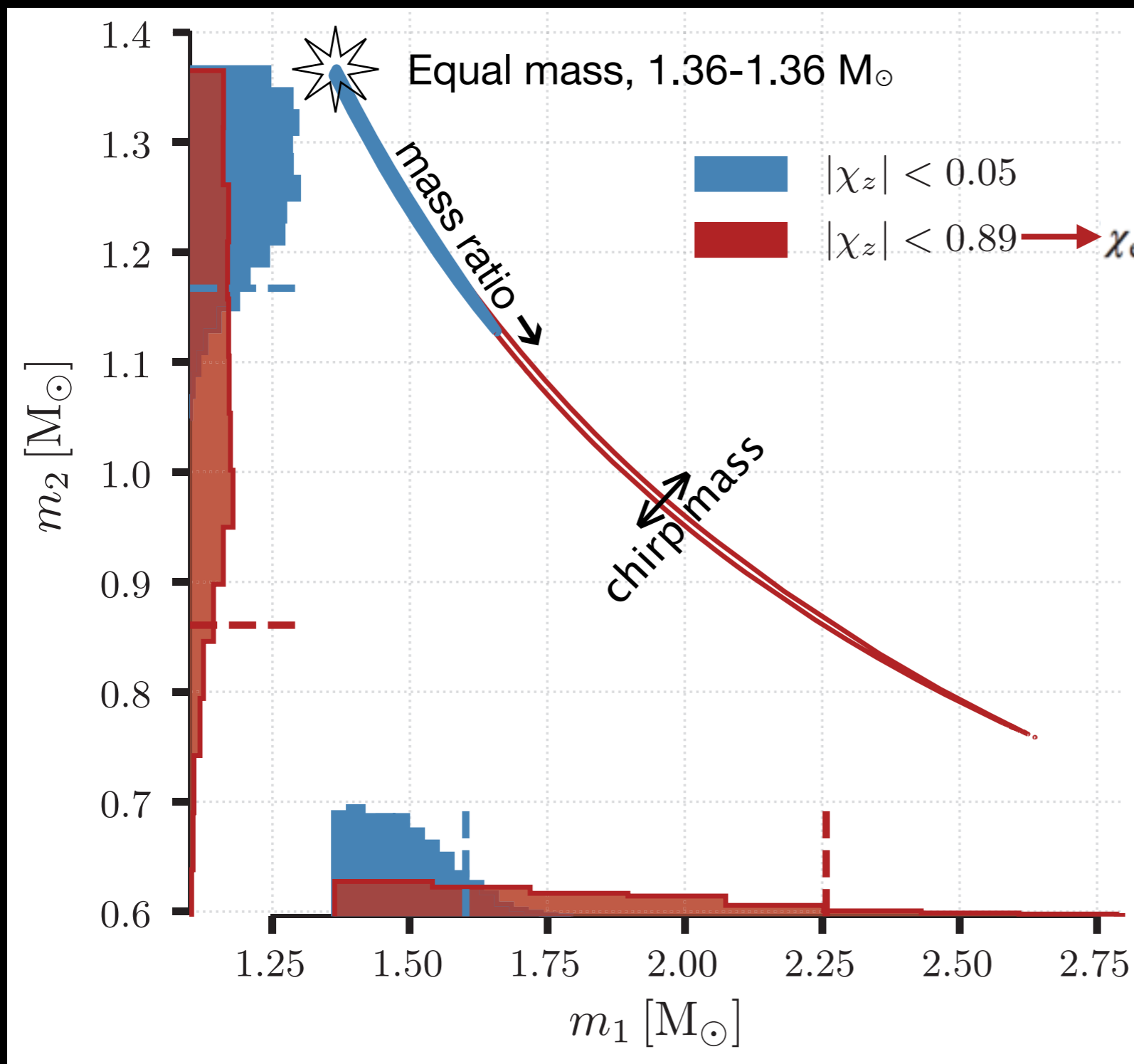
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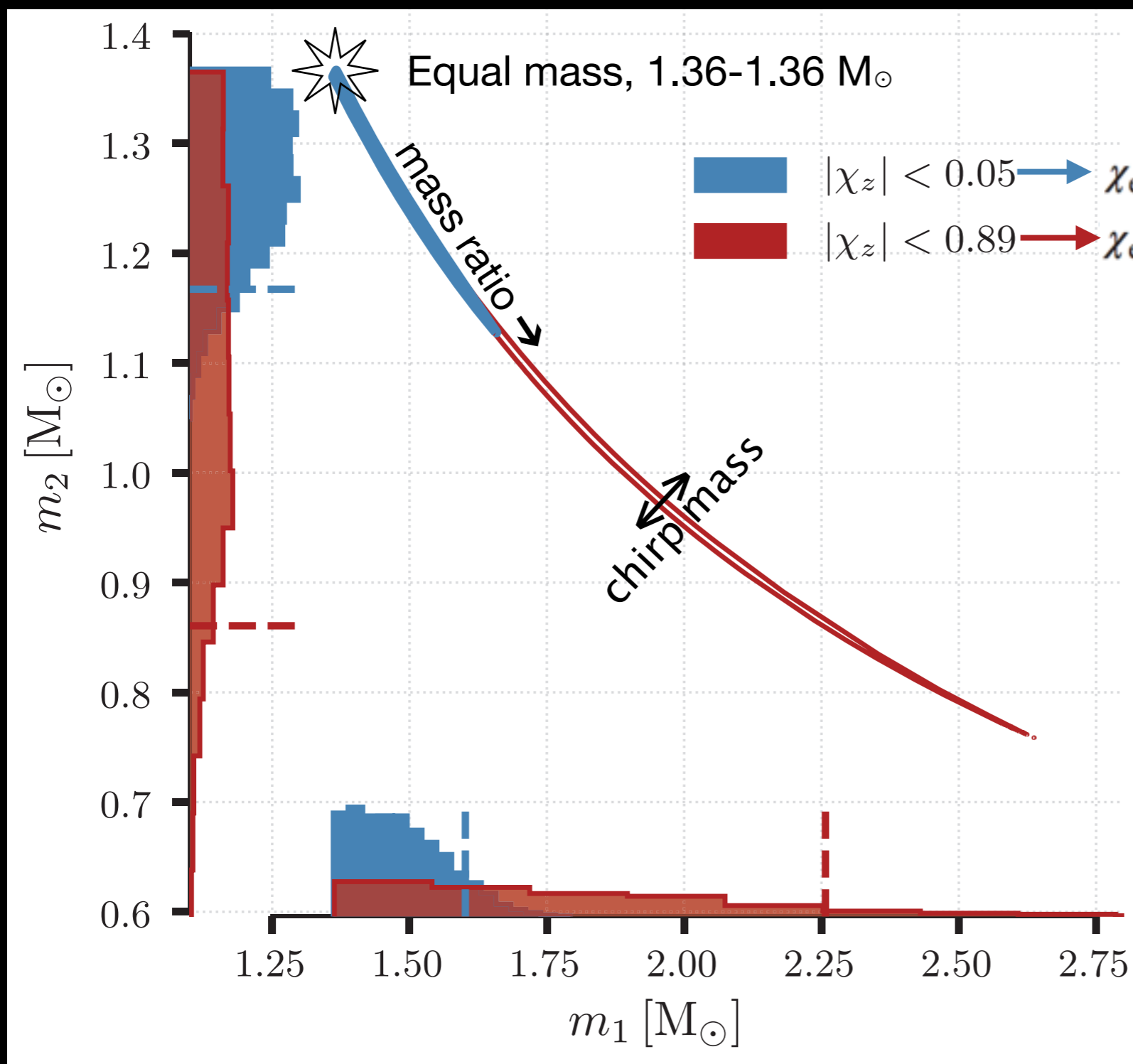
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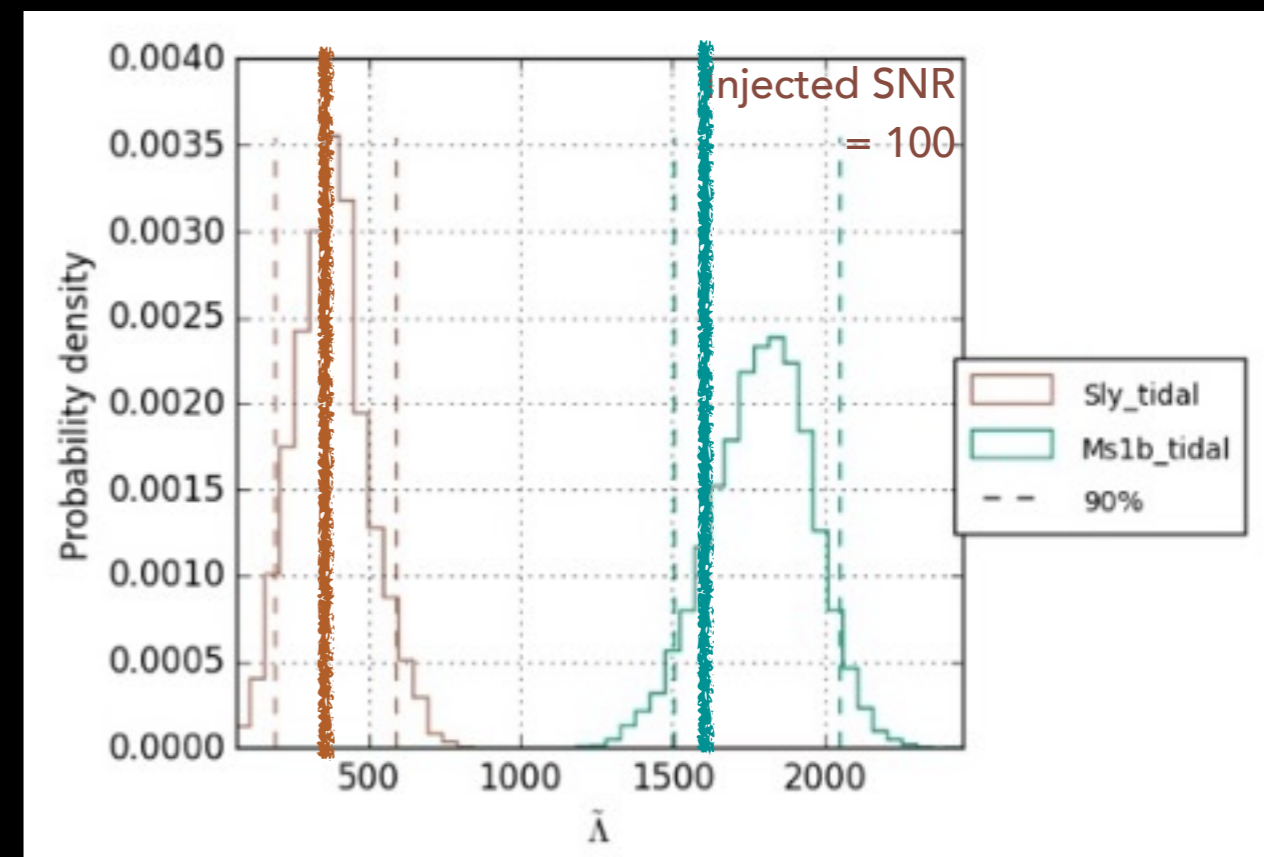
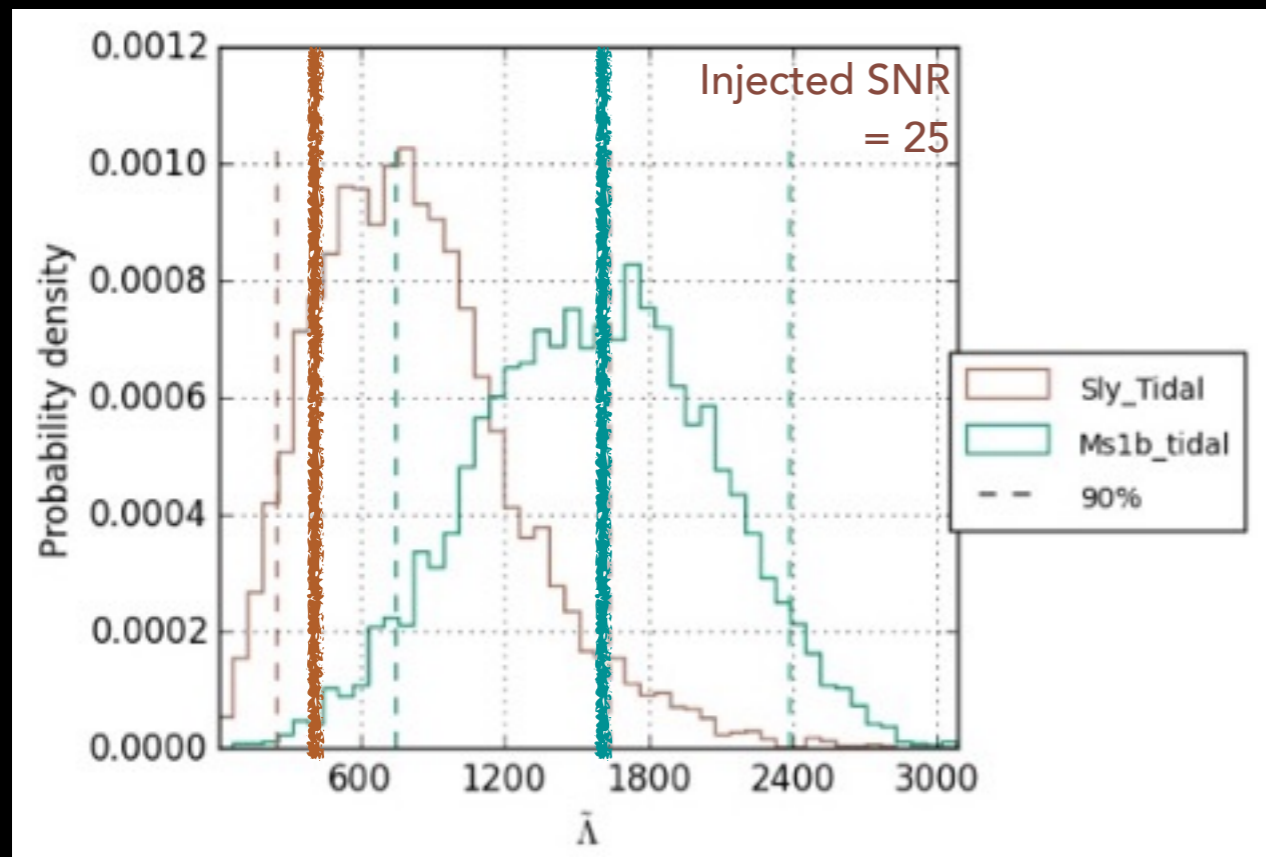
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A lucky break for initial LIGO  
analysis

# Injection/Recovery with TEOB<sub>Resum</sub>+NR test signals

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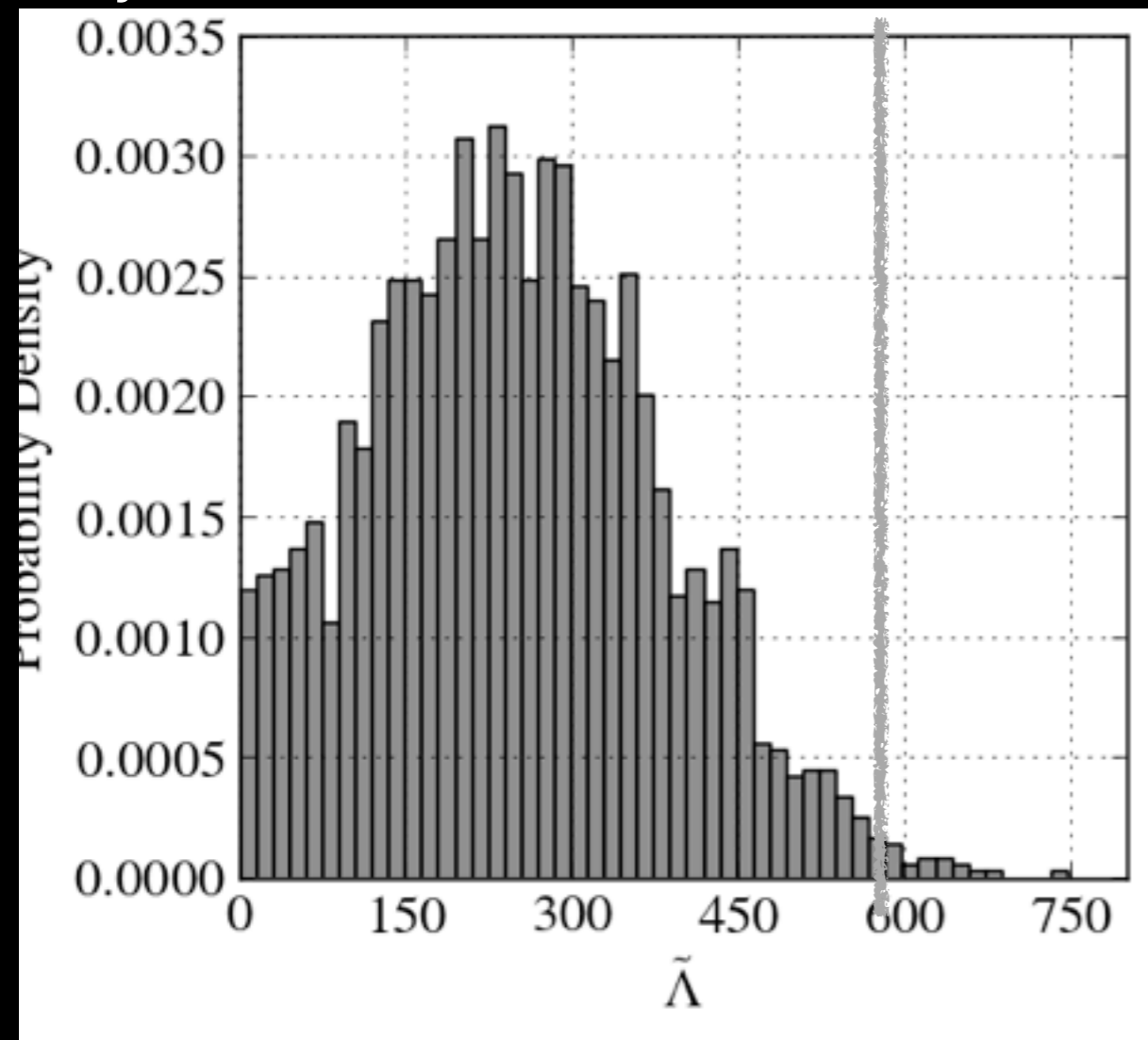
Recover reasonable values with TaylorF2



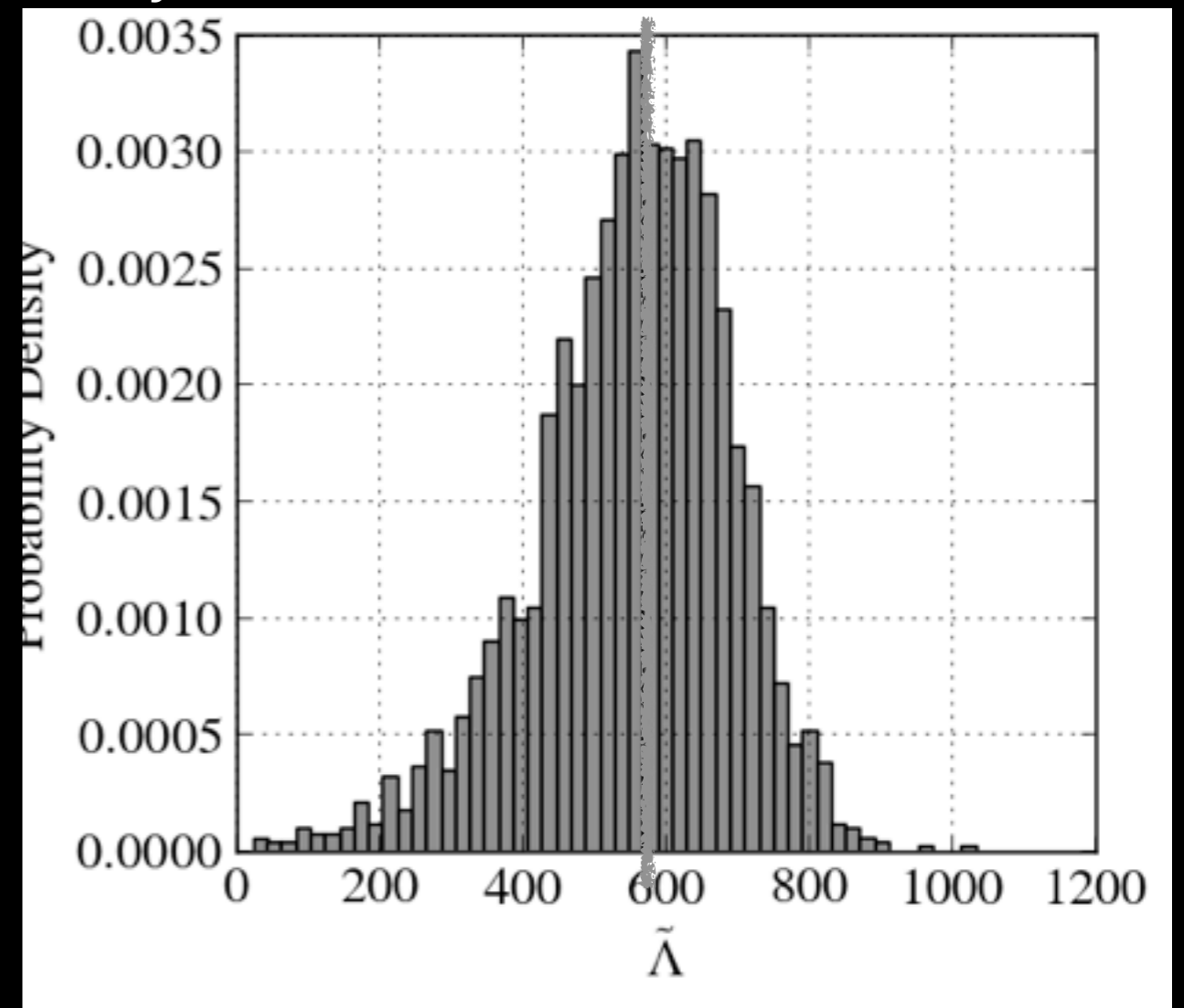
# Independent recovery test

- Semi-analytic waveforms for equal mass system  
 $\Lambda = 591$

Inject PN T4/ Recover PN F2



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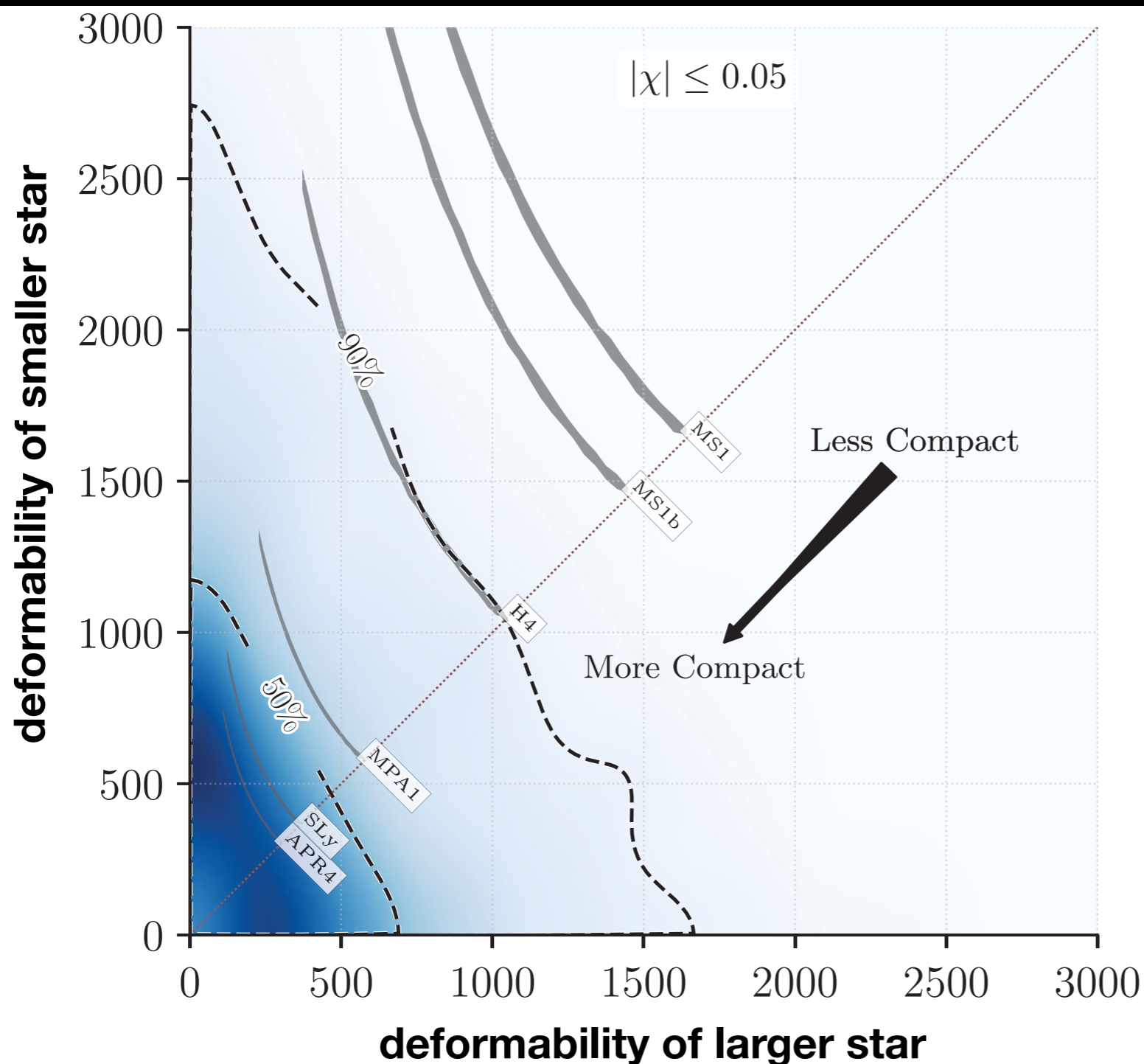


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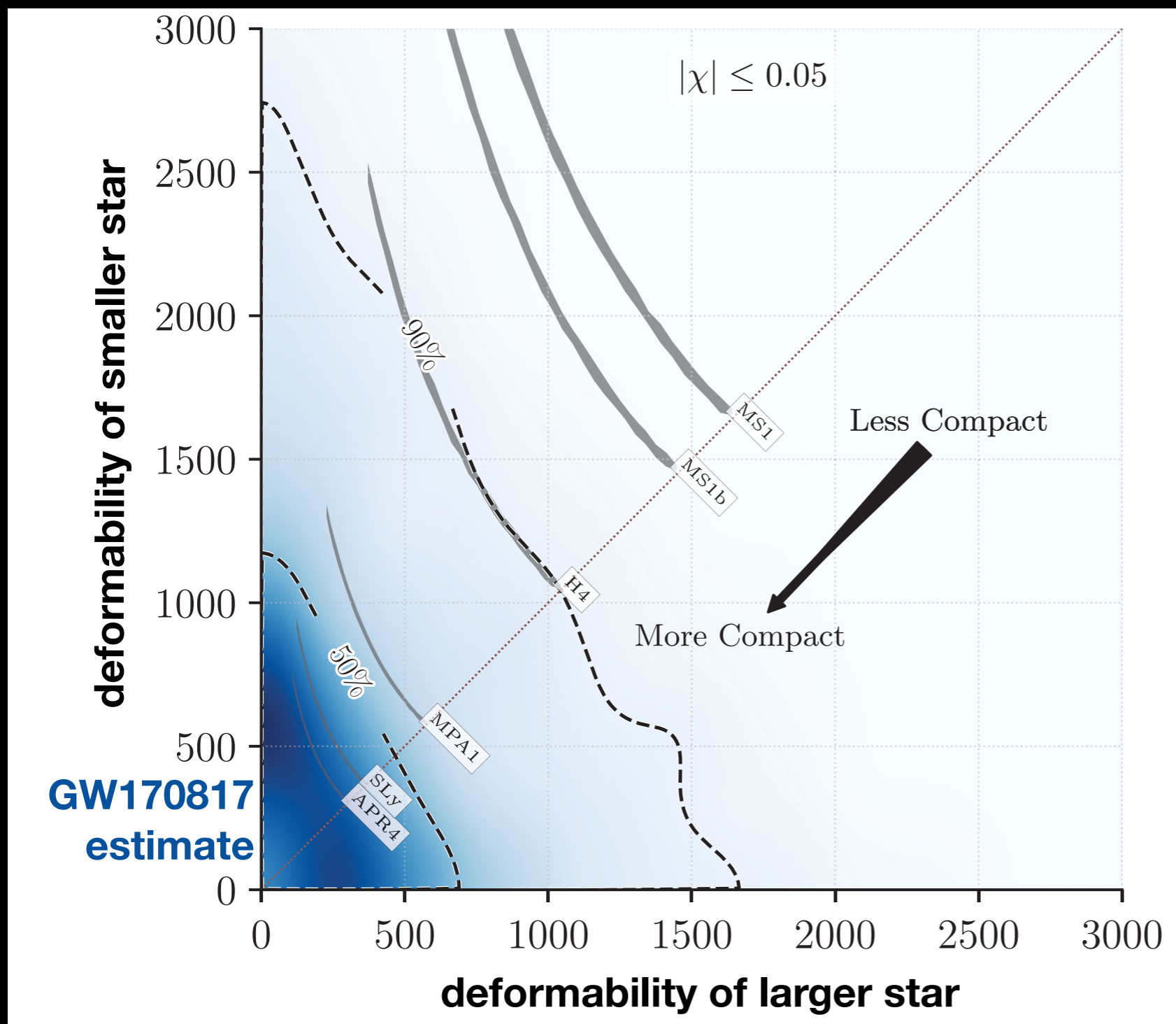
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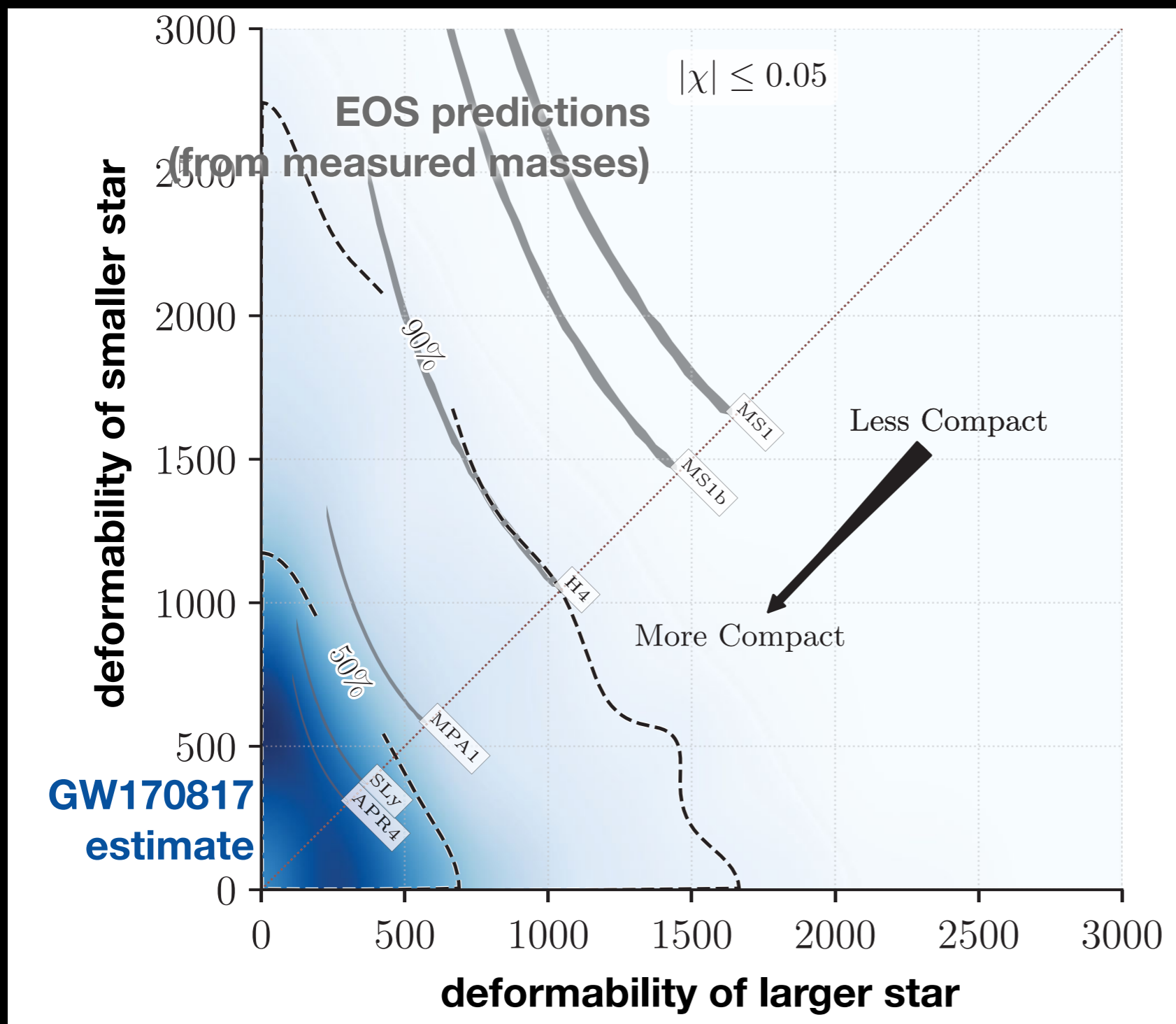


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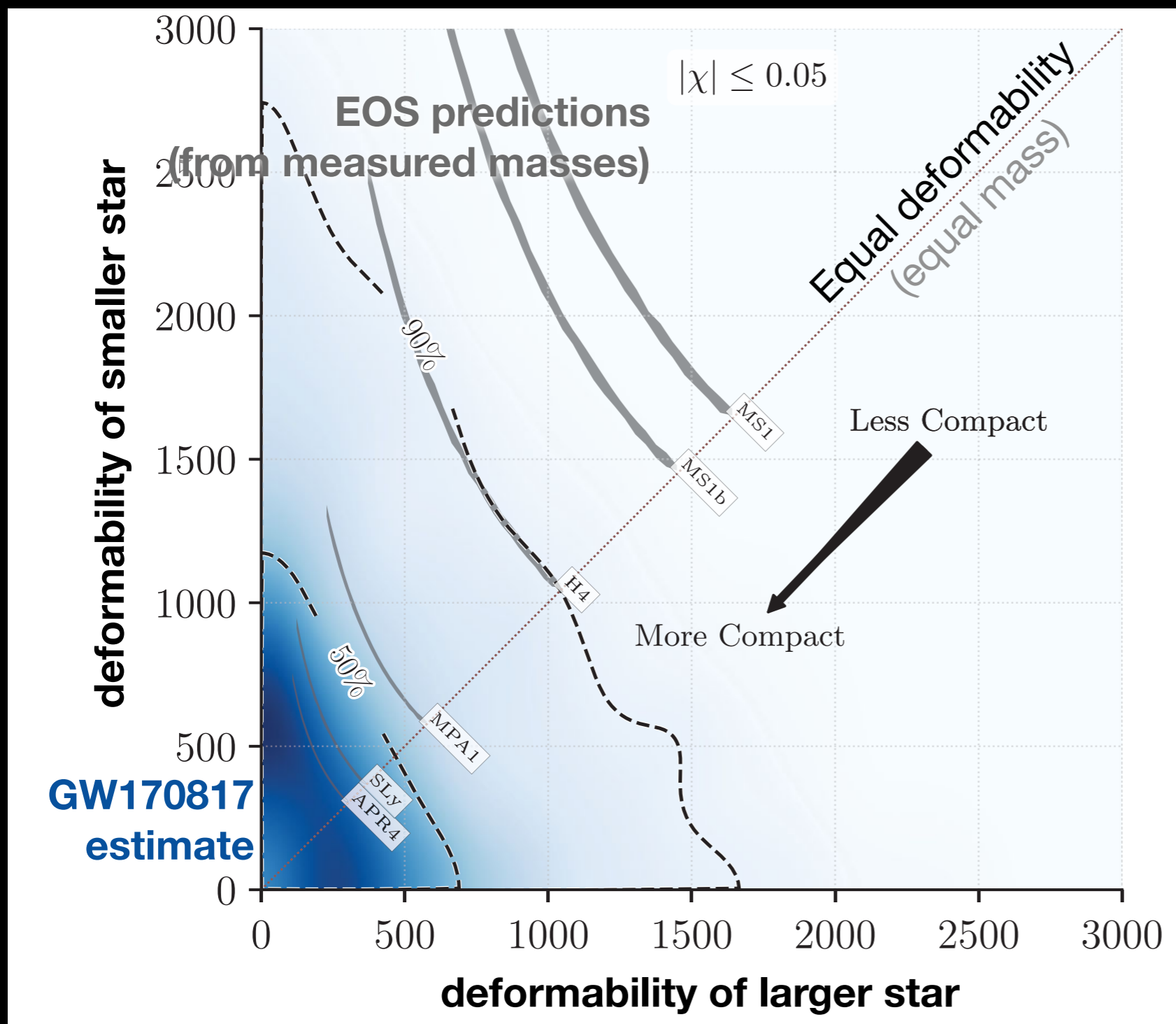


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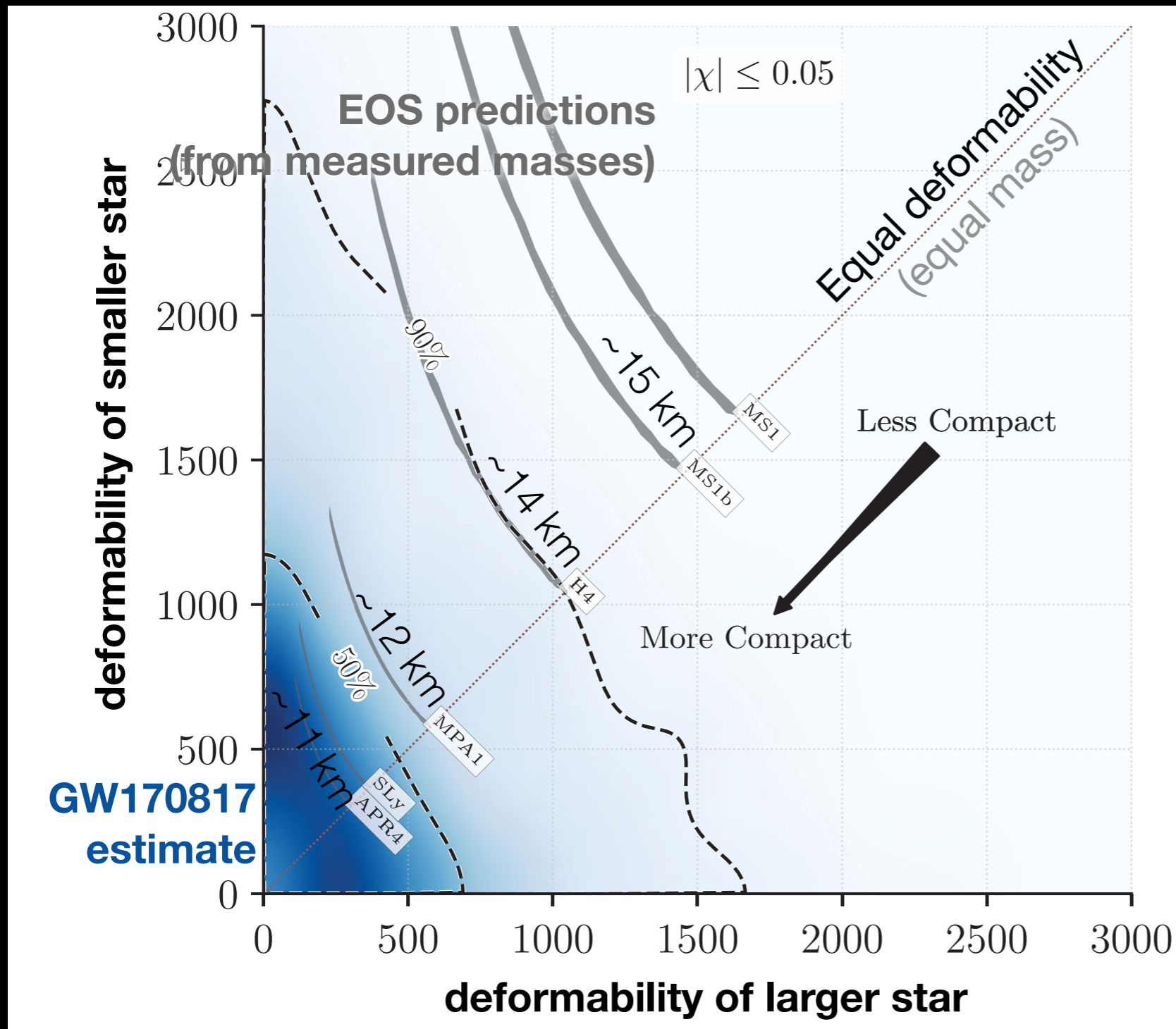


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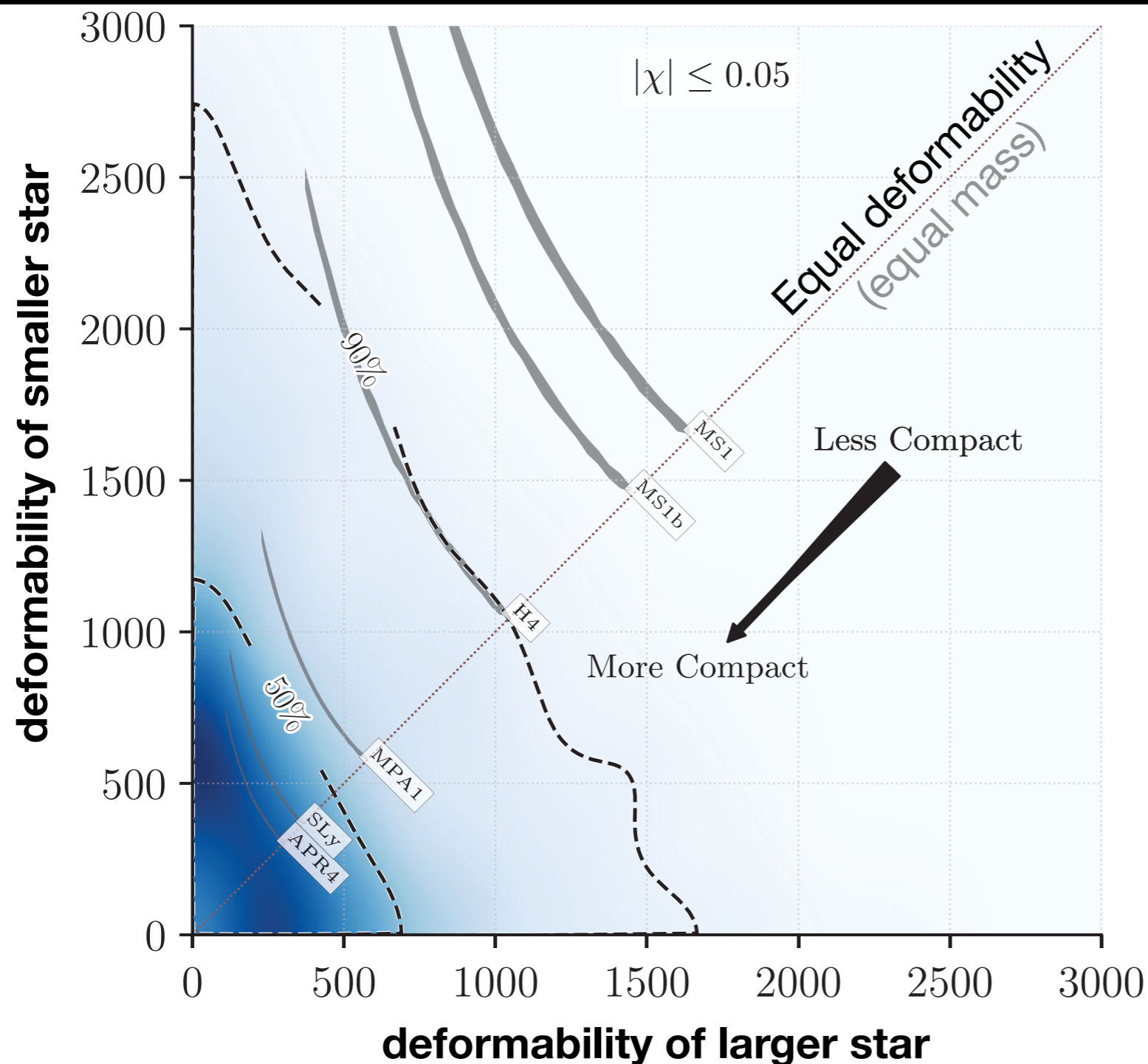


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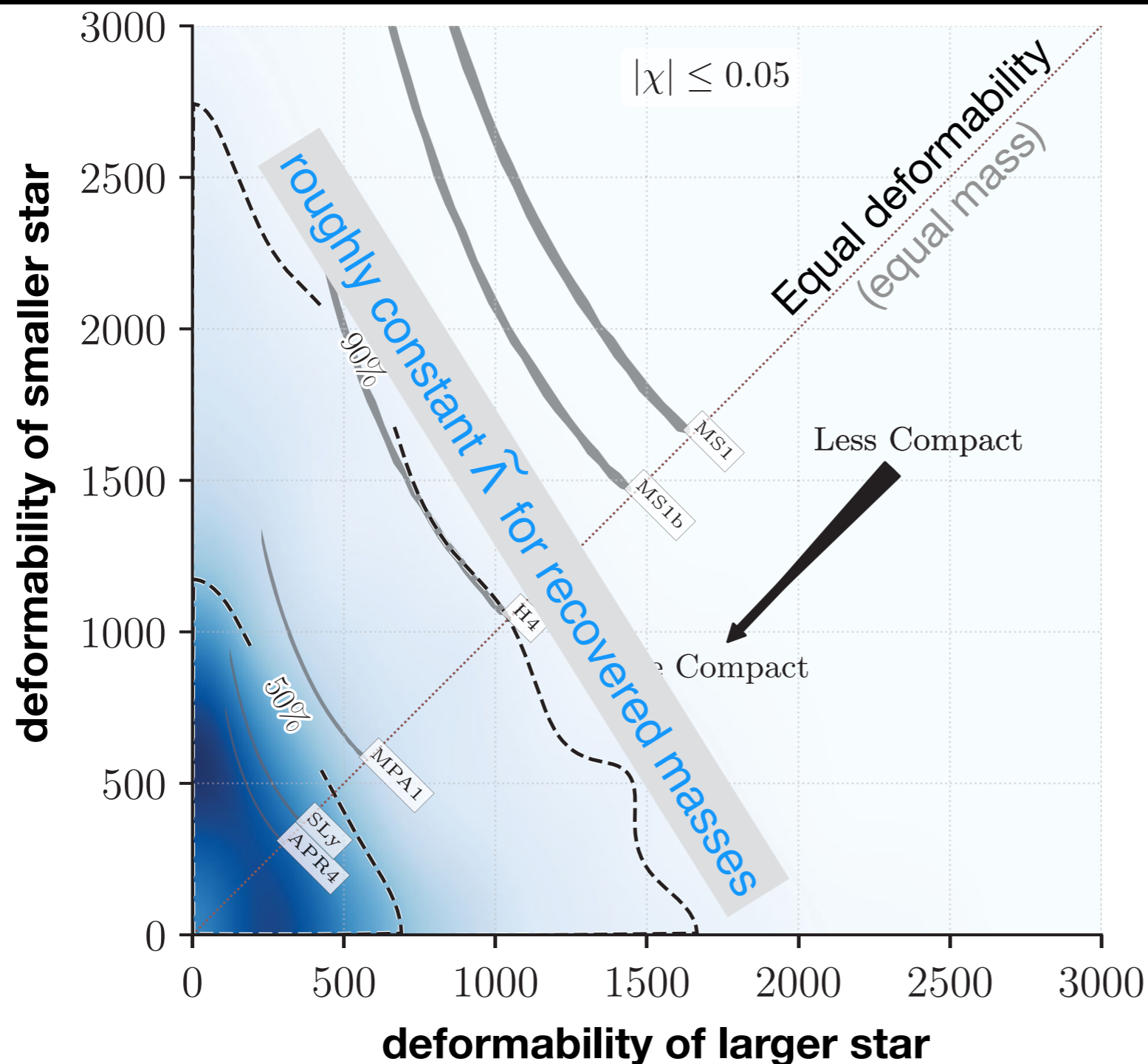
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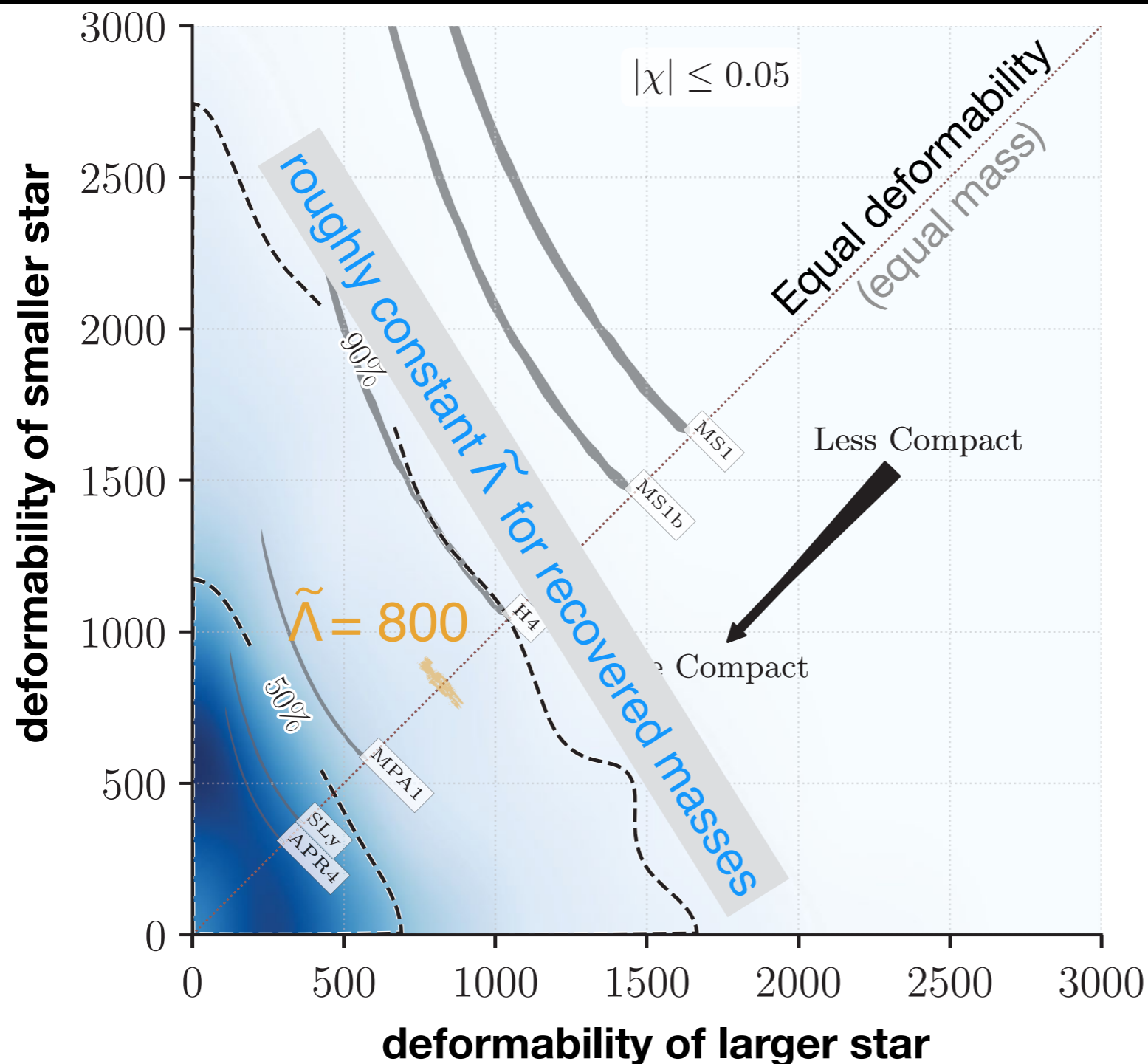
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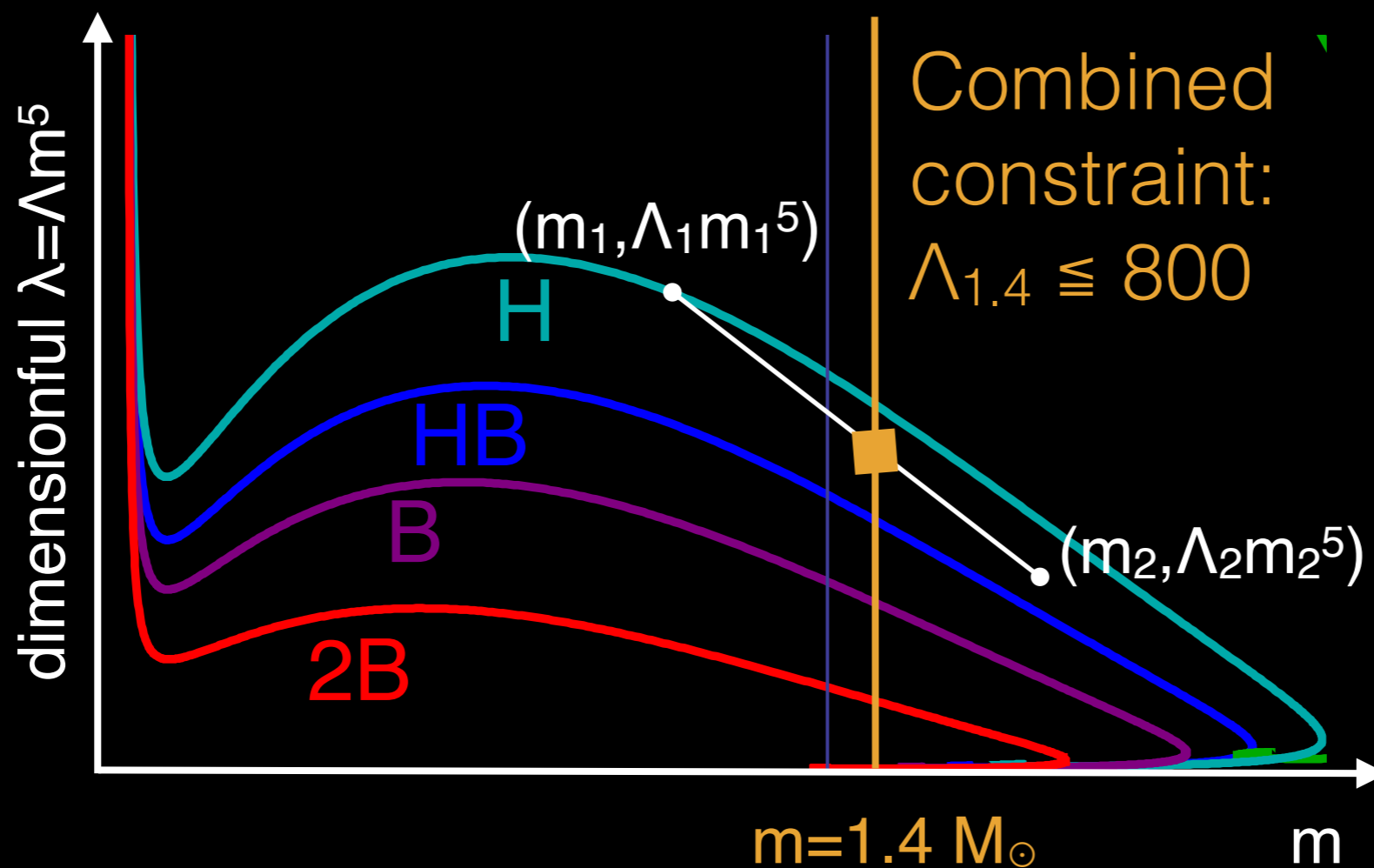
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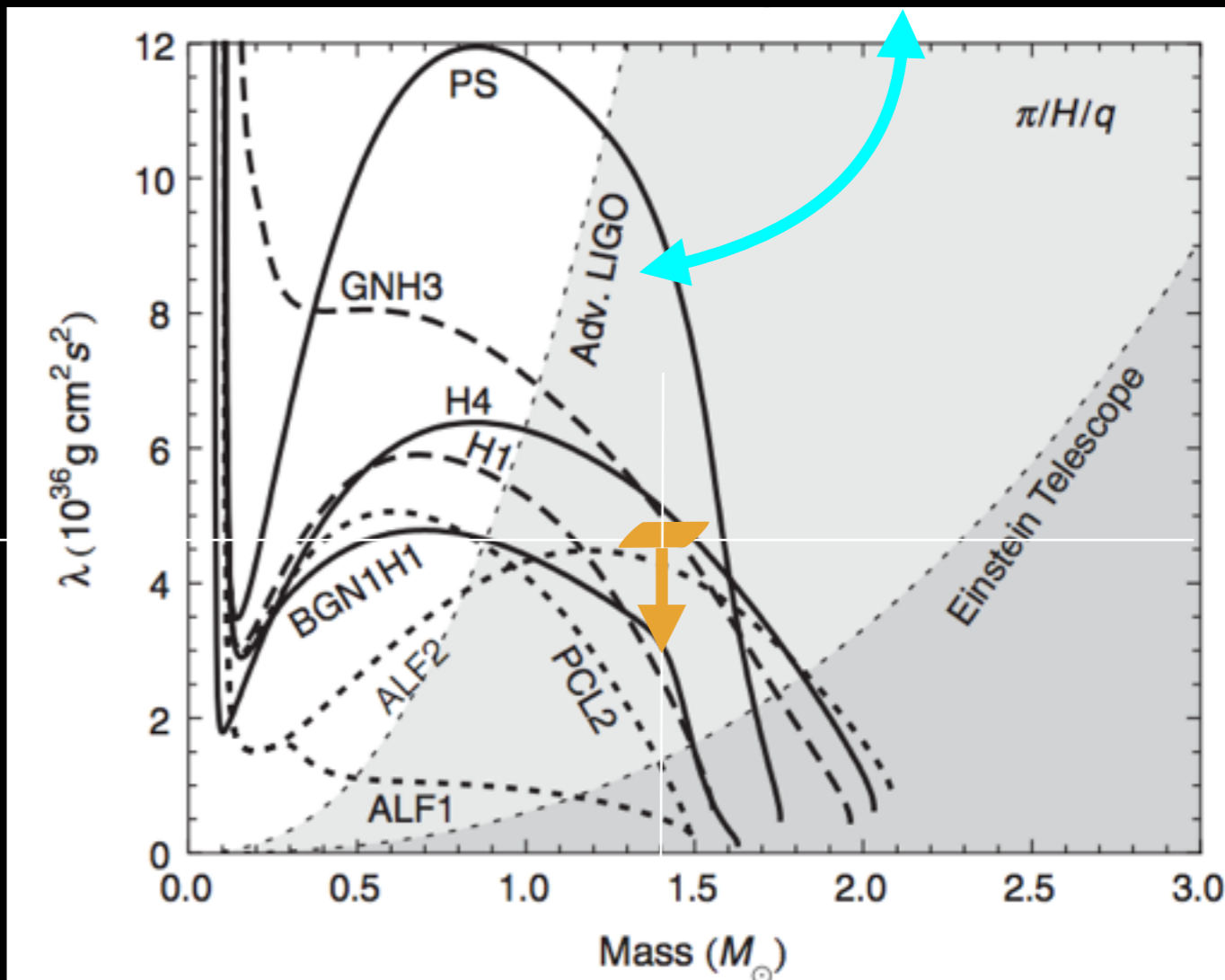
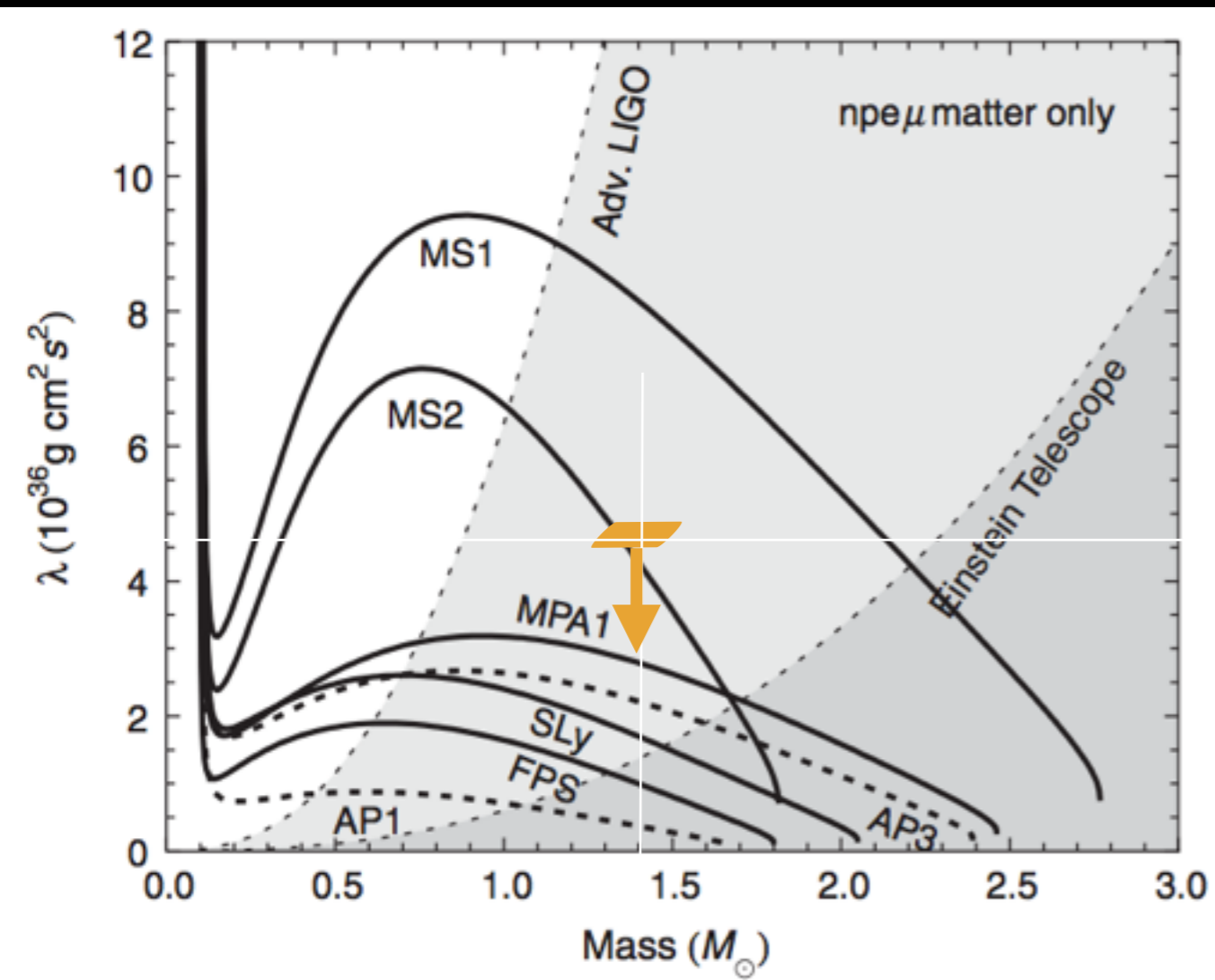
- combine tidal deformation information for each sample assuming a single (linear) EOS function (del Pozzo et al Phys. Rev. Lett. 111, 071101 (2013) )
- Result matches upper bound from X-ray constraints (Steiner et al Phys. Rev. C 91, 015804)



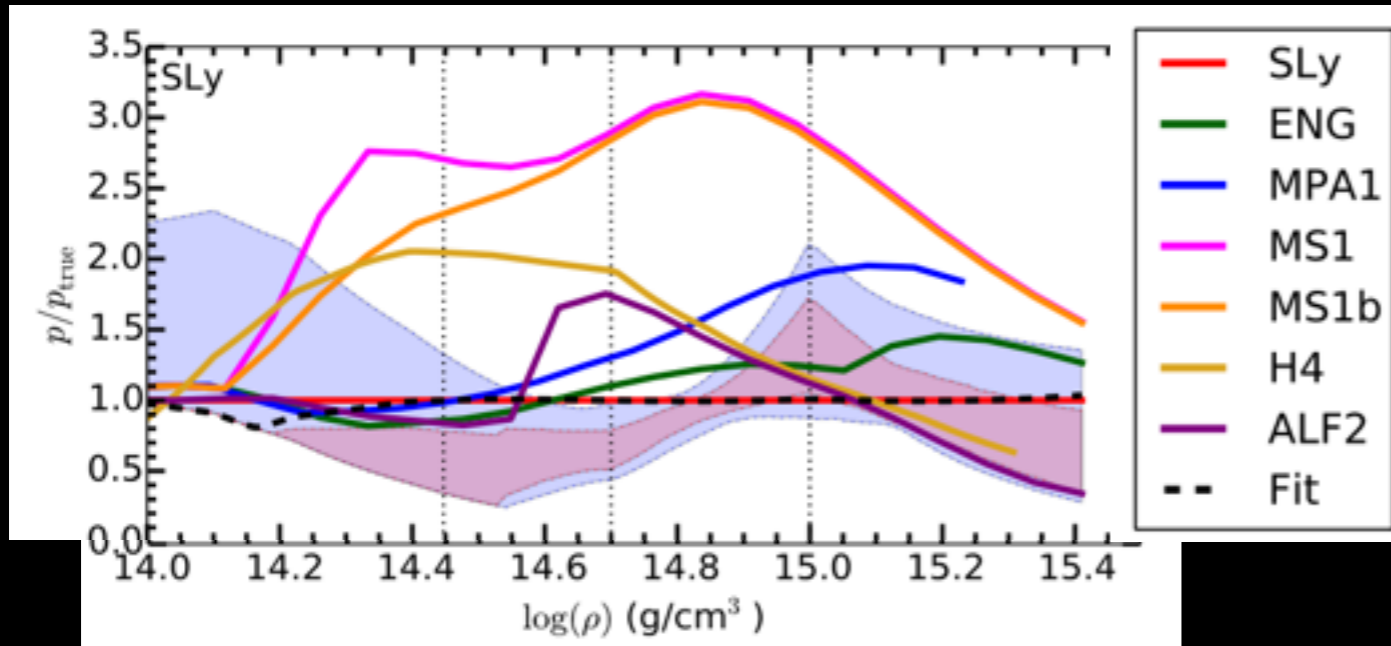
- With fixed mass, can compare to dimensionful tidal deformability:

- $\lambda_{1,4} \cong 4.6 * 10^{36} \text{ g cm}^2 \text{ s}^2$

paper considered  $< 450 \text{ Hz}$  only,  
 approx error  $\sim f_{\text{end}}^{-2.2}$   
 GW170817 analyses to to 2048 Hz  
 “However, a rare nearby event could allow more interesting constraints, as the uncertainty scales as the distance to the source”



# Future possibilities for EOS/NS radius



- 95% regions
- Direct EOS constraint; implications for radius
- Combined information from 40 events ( $\sim 1$  yr)
- Advanced LIGO design

