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# STROOPWAFEL: a Dutch cookie and an Adaptive Importance Sampling algorithm

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# We are in the era of Big Data

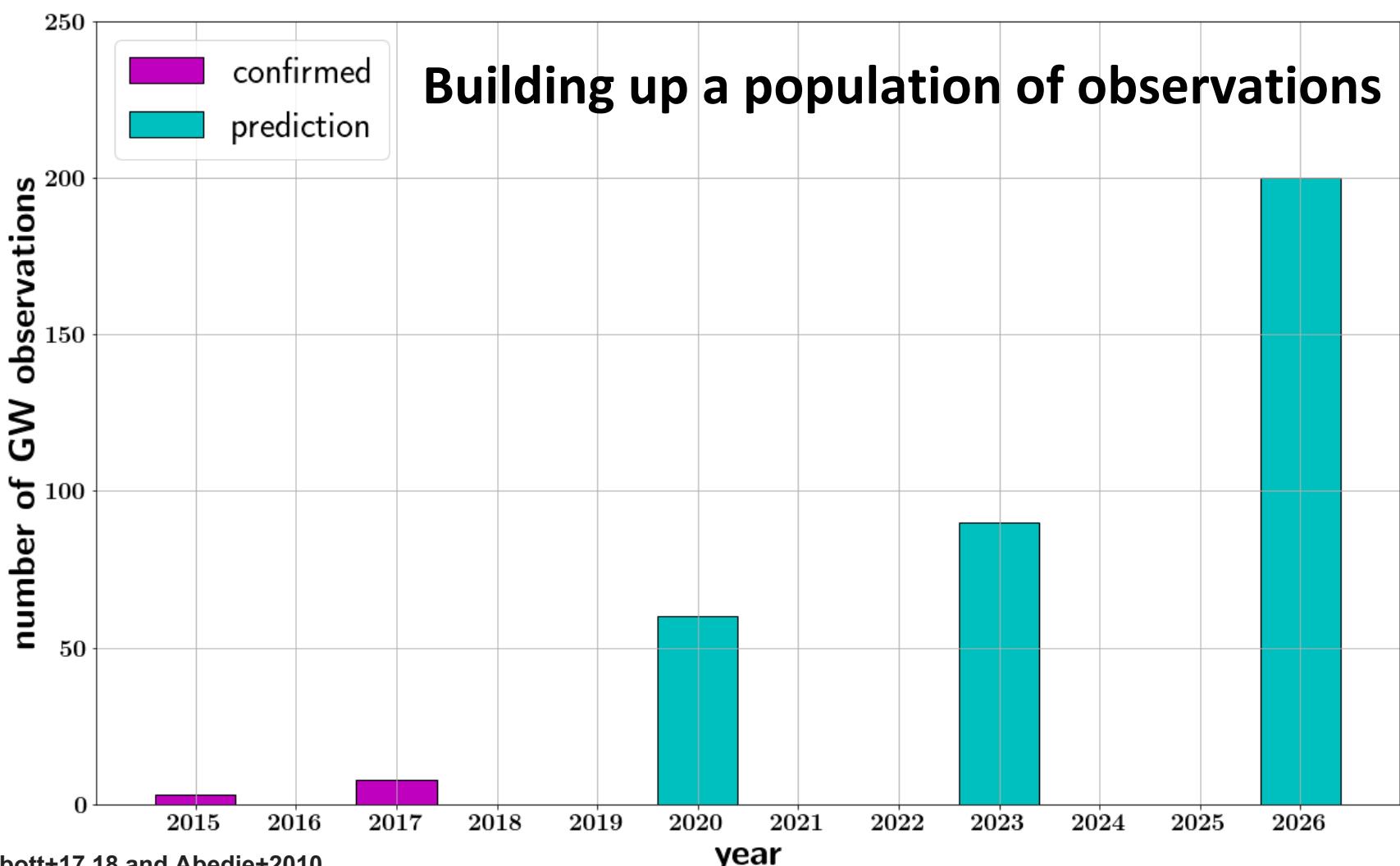


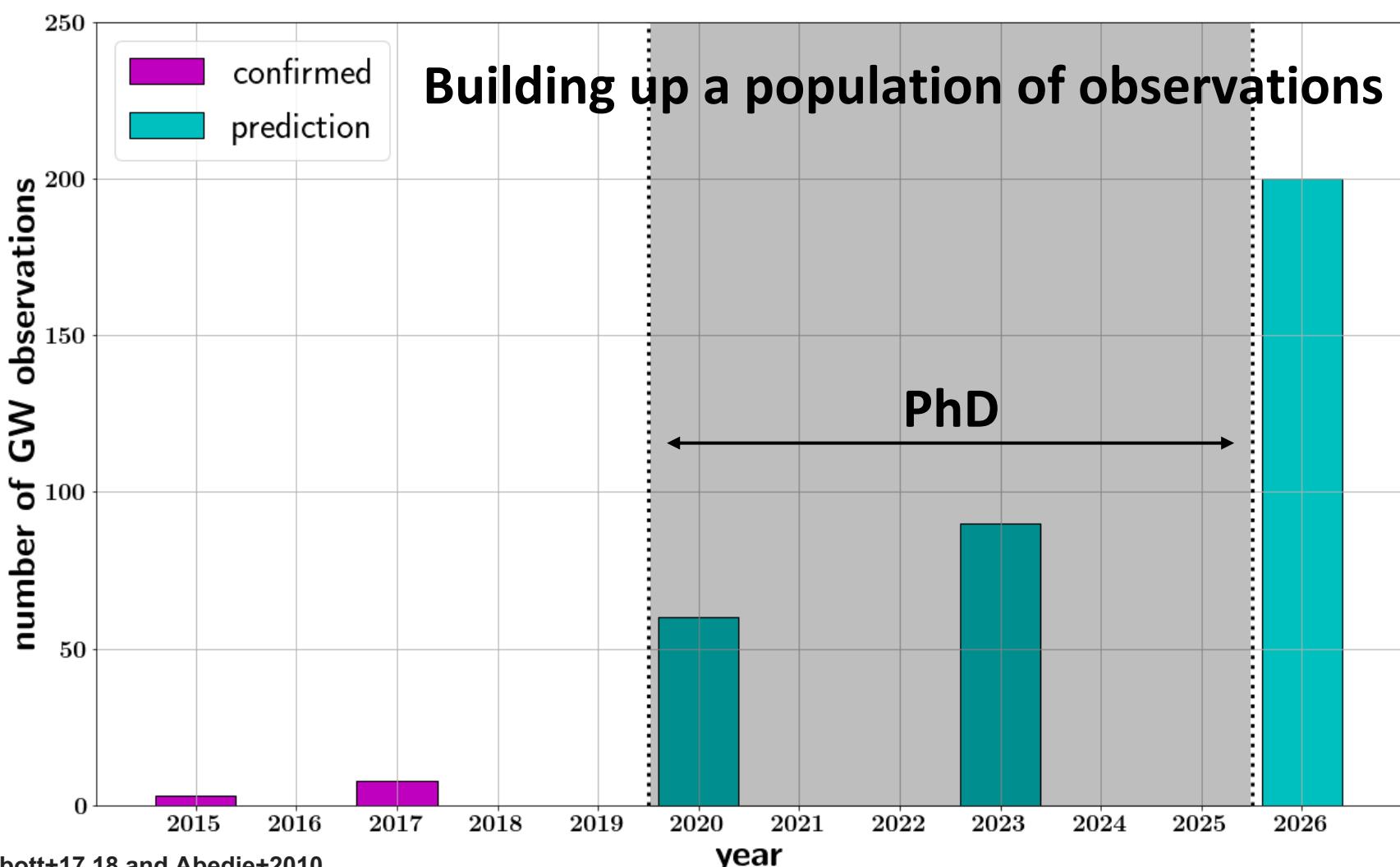
**LSST/Vera Rubin Survey  
Telescope  
(Optical)**

**SKA  
(Radio)**

**LIGO  
(Gravitational Waves)**

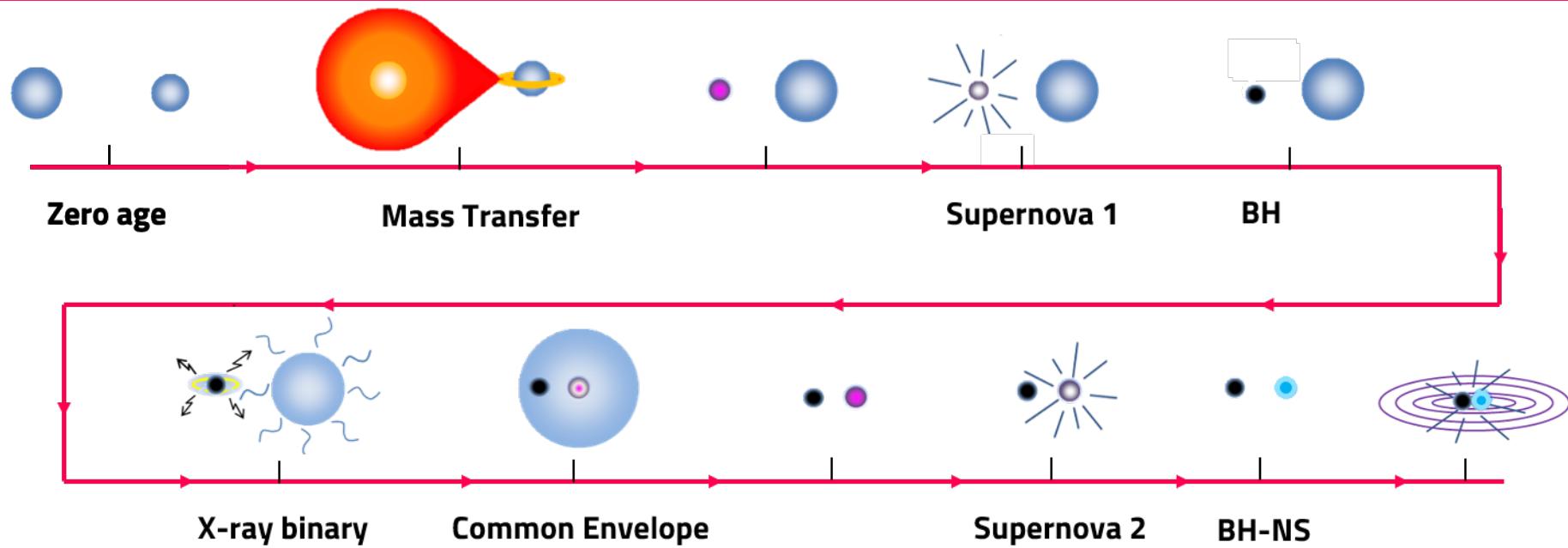






# | Classic channel BH-NS merger:

e.g. Paczynski+76, Smarr & Blandford+76 | Figure based on Tauris+17



# Searching for the progenitors of GWs



# Rapid binary population synthesis

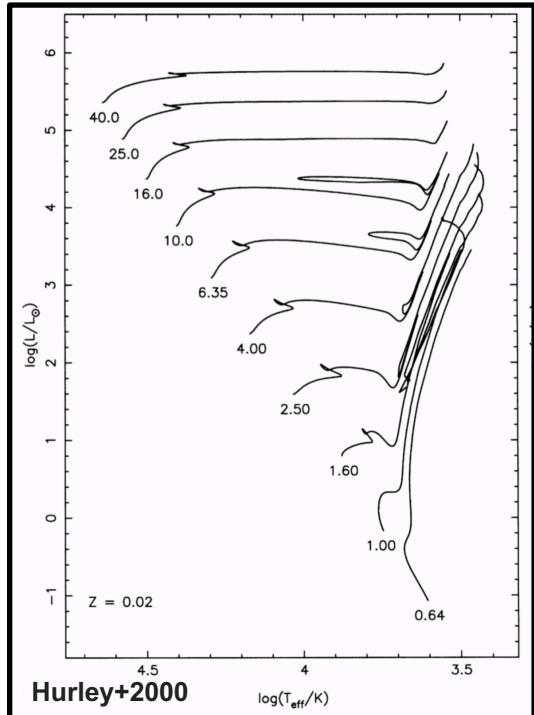


Stevenson+17, Barrett+18, Vigna-Gomez+18  
Based on tracks from Hurley+00,02, Pols+98

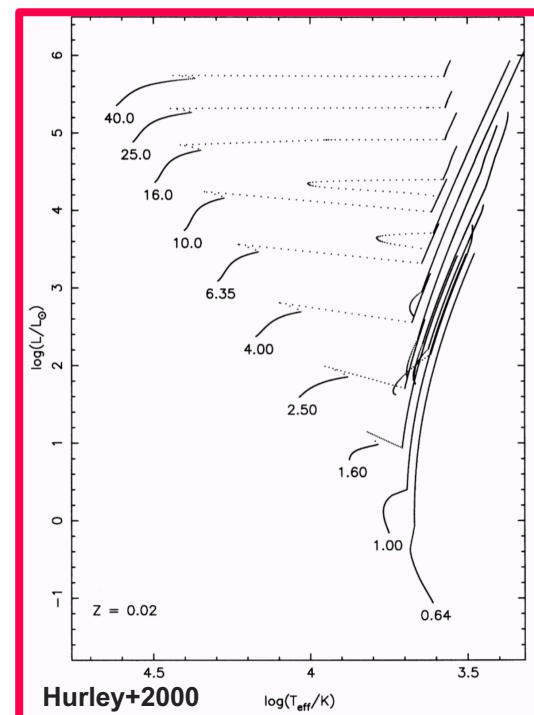
# 2 ways to implement (single) stellar evolution:

Slide from Stephen Justham

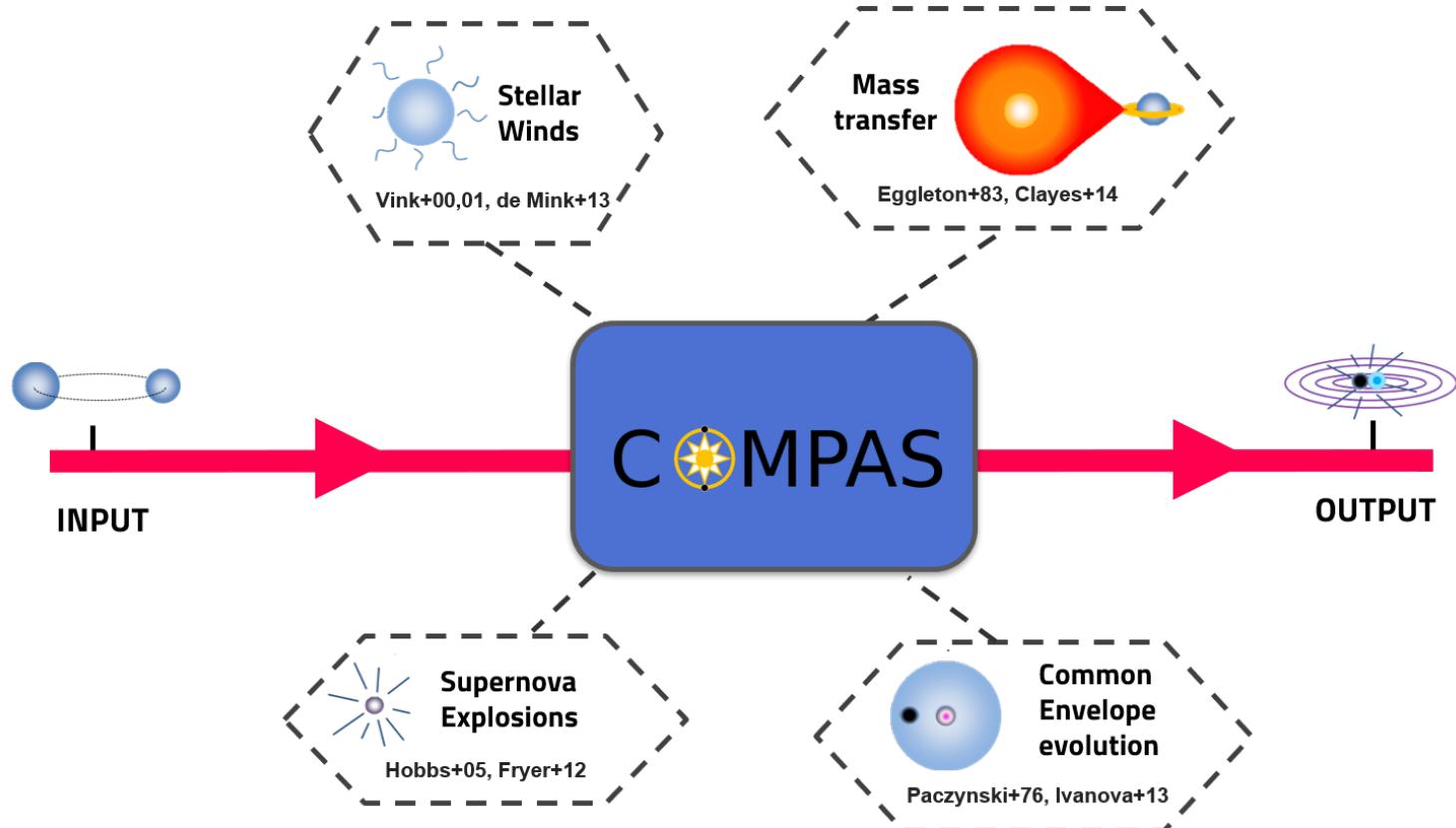
“Full” stellar calculations  
relatively slow



Analytical fits or interpolations  
fast



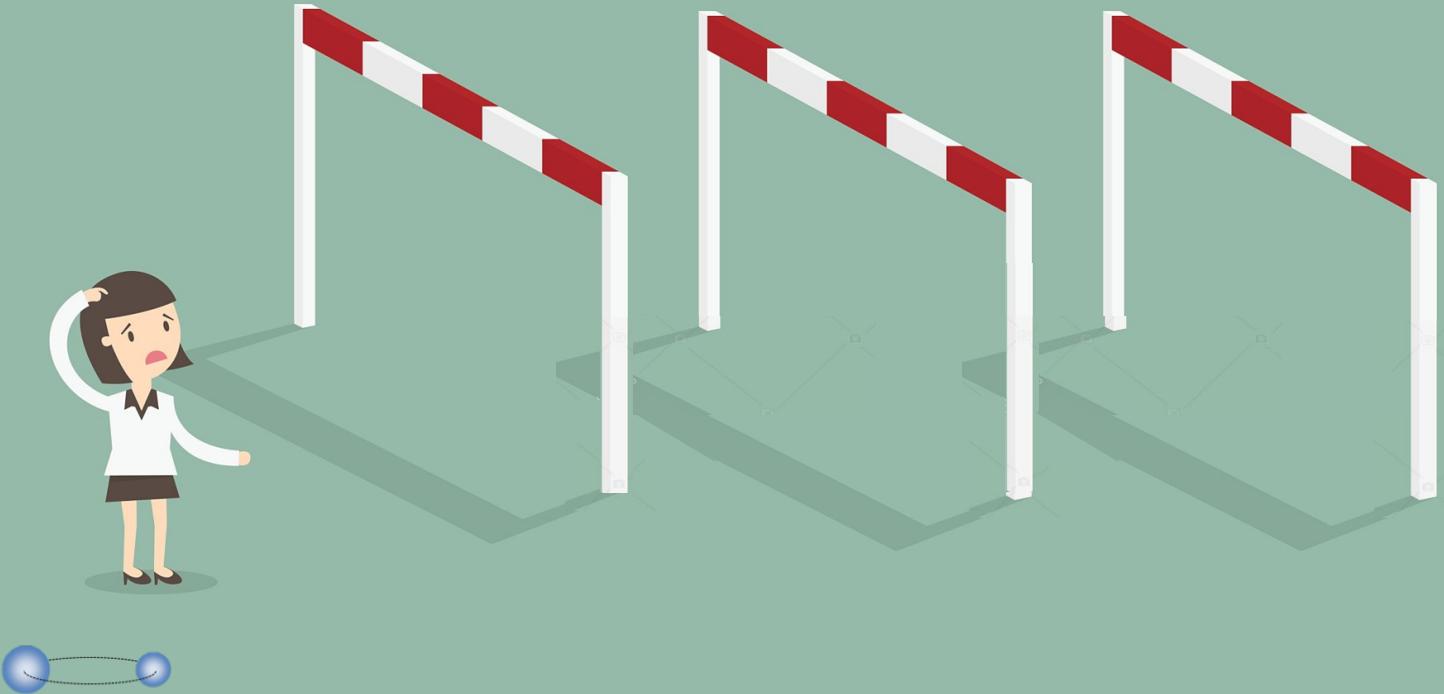
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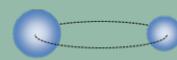


**Cost:**

**~1 sec**

# 3 computational challenges

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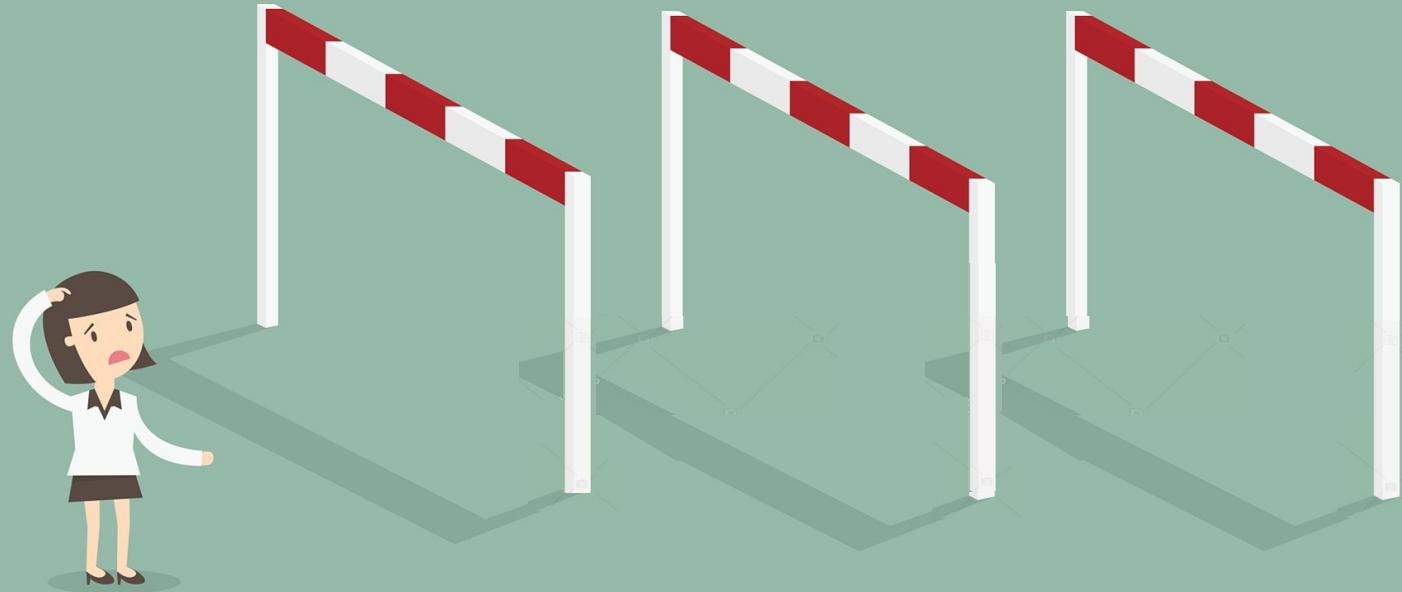


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$\times 10^6$

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## 2 Testing physics



# 3 computational challenges

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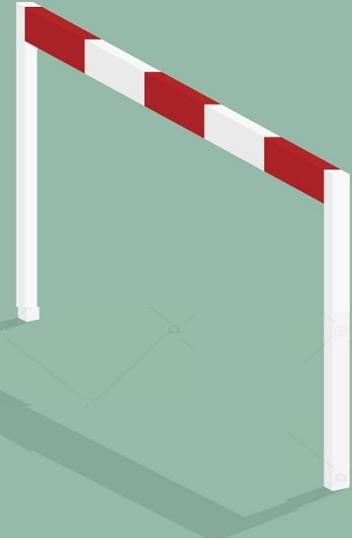
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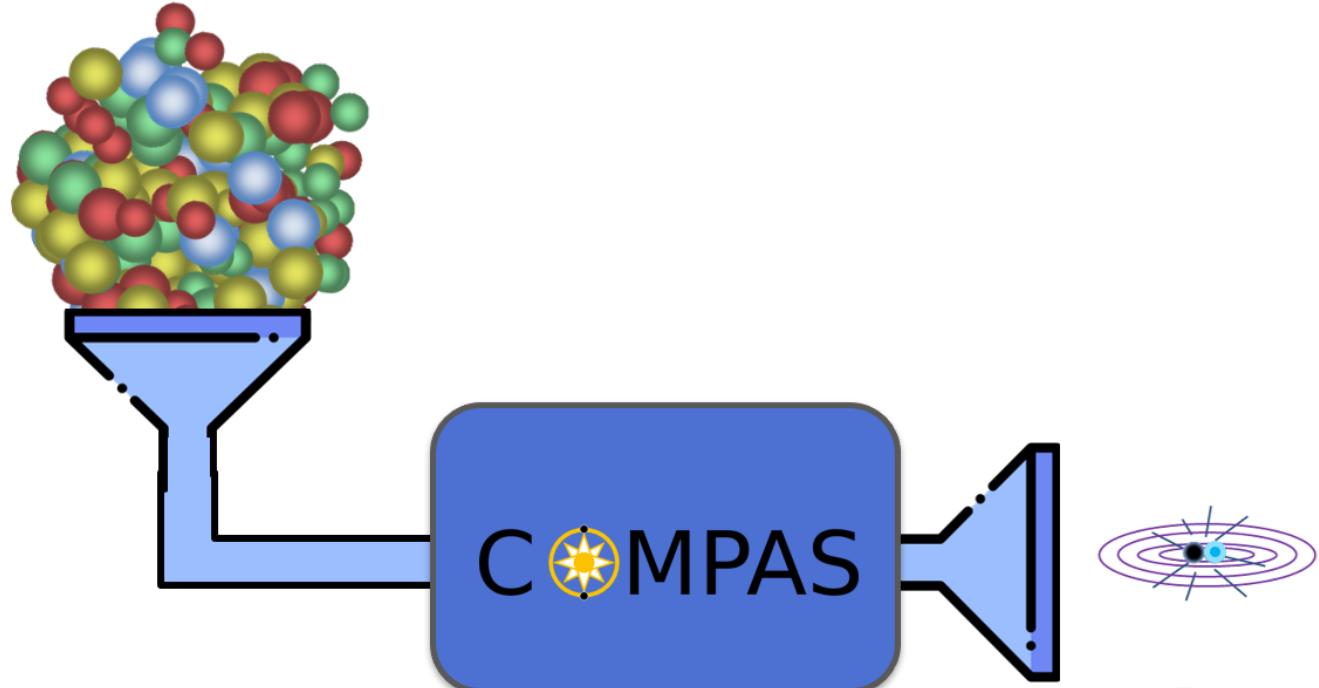


$\times 10 - 10^6$

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Rare events:

1000 binaries



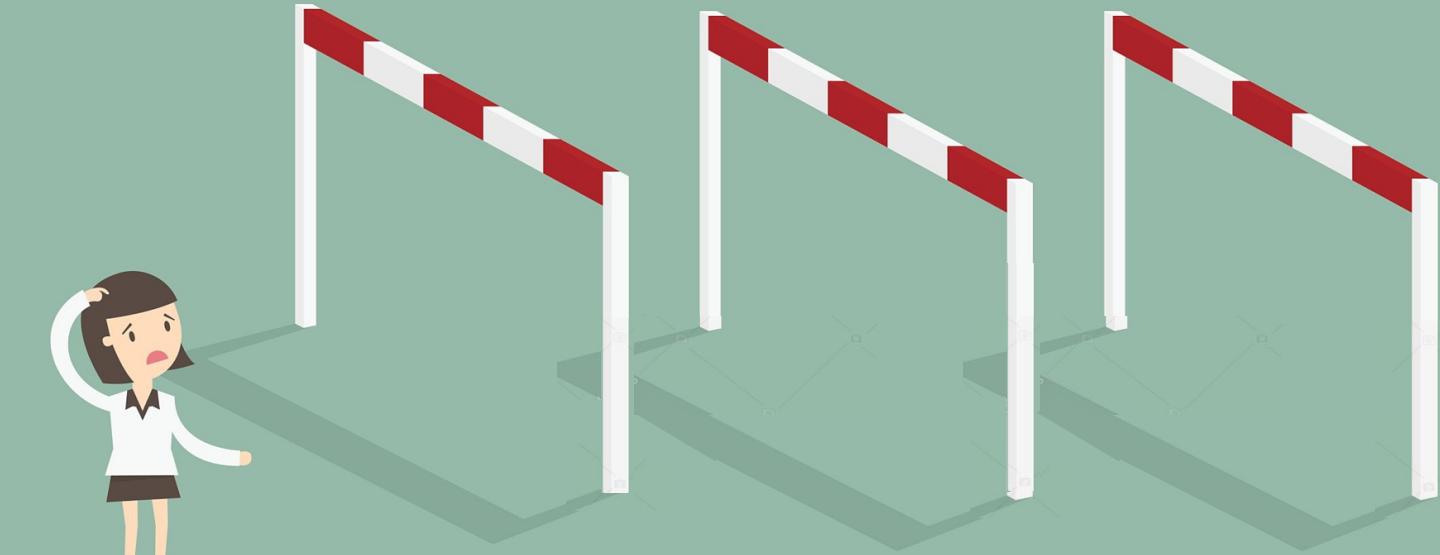
only  $\sim 1$   
BH-NS merger!

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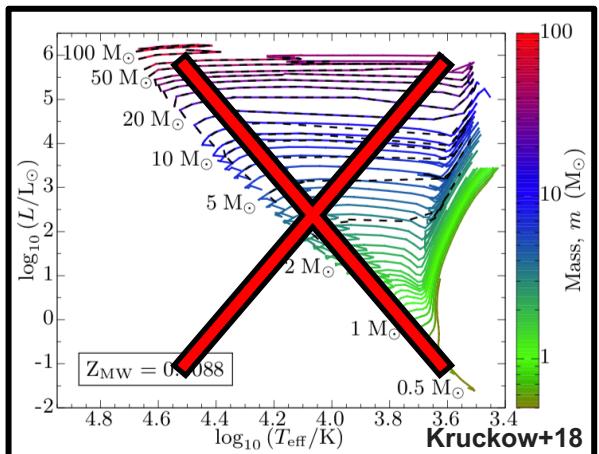
$\times 10^6$

$\times 10 - 10^3$

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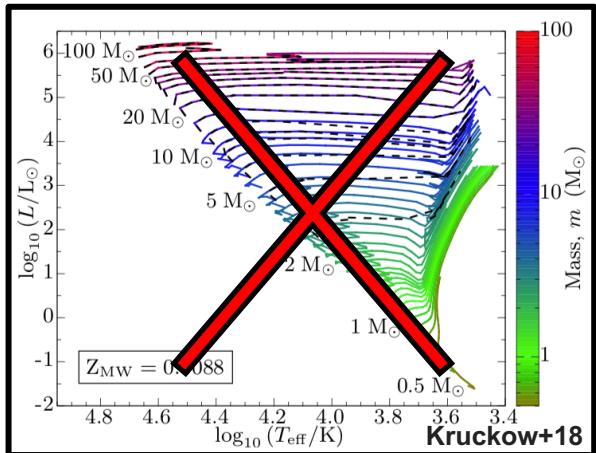
$\sim 3 - 3 \times 10^4 \text{ years computing time}$

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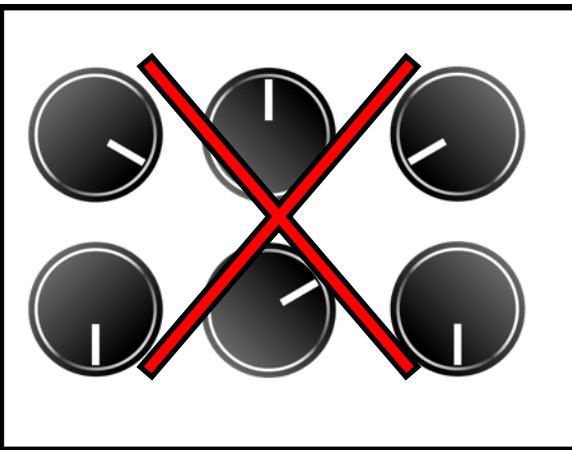


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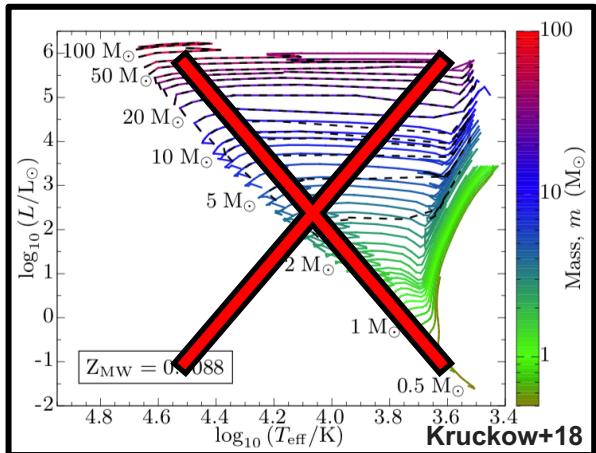


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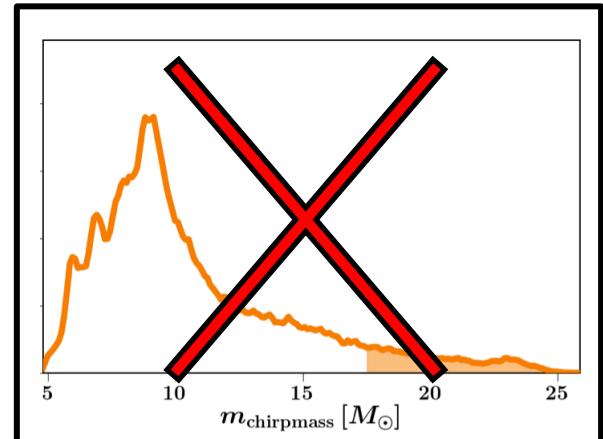
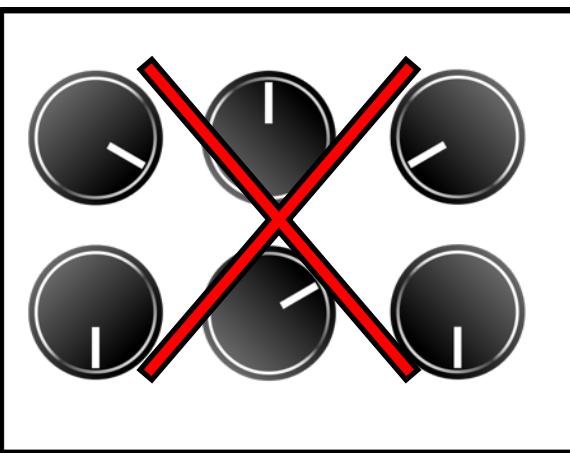


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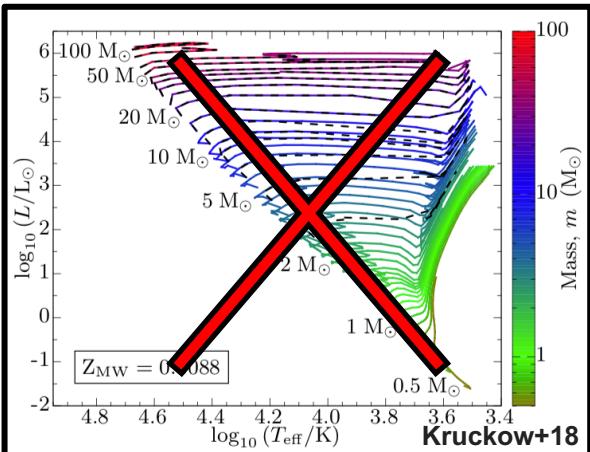
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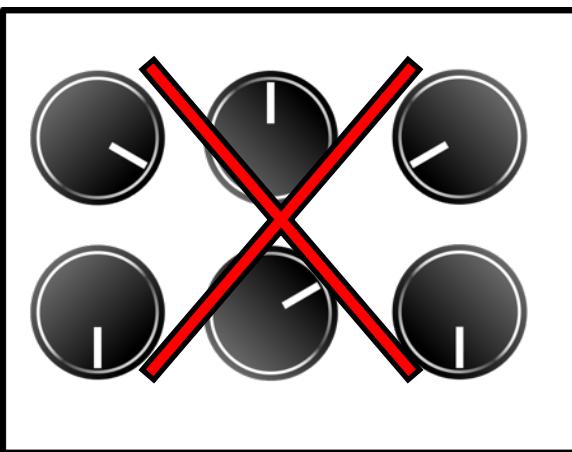
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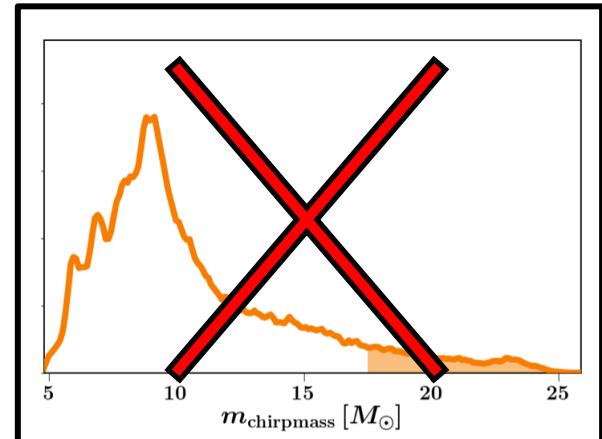
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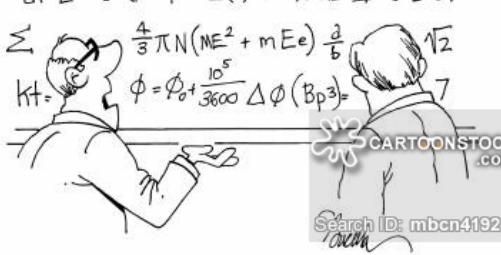


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# Previous work

## Analytical formalisms

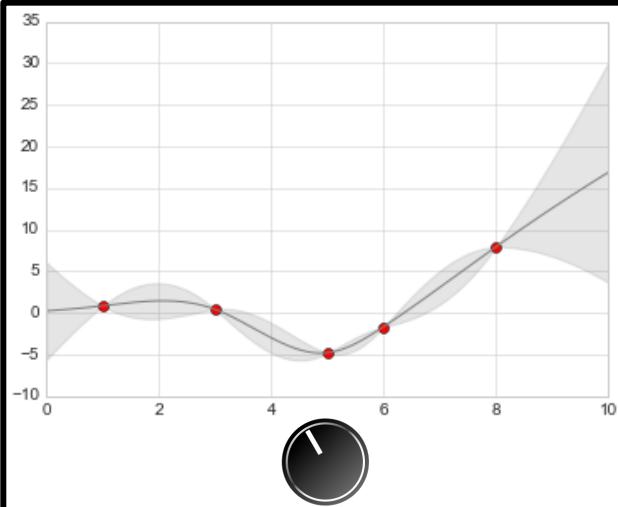
Kolb 1993, Politano 1996, Kalogera 1996  
Kalogera&Webbink 1998, Kalogera+2000

$$\begin{aligned} & t_0^2 + \left(\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{z}}\right) \circ \begin{array}{c} a \\ \curvearrowright \\ b \end{array} \circ \pi A k c^3 2 x^2 x^5 (x-1) \\ & C(\beta, x, T) C(\beta, x, T) drs N_{38}(t) = \phi [ \circ (\gamma_{in}) ] \\ & \frac{Q}{S} \left( \frac{-y}{x} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{Laplace}} L_N P(z) + a + a^2 \xrightarrow{\text{Laplace}} \frac{z^2 (x^2)}{b+2} \\ & \frac{dE}{dt} E + \frac{d}{dt} \frac{v}{c} = \frac{E^2}{P} \frac{T}{E(T)} E^2 \times V_{12} \xrightarrow{\text{Laplace}} (E_2 + \frac{1}{2}) \\ & \sum K_t = \frac{4}{3} \pi N (m E^2 + m E e) \frac{d}{dt} \sqrt{2} \\ & \phi = \phi_0 + \frac{10^5}{3600} \Delta \phi (B p^3) \end{aligned}$$


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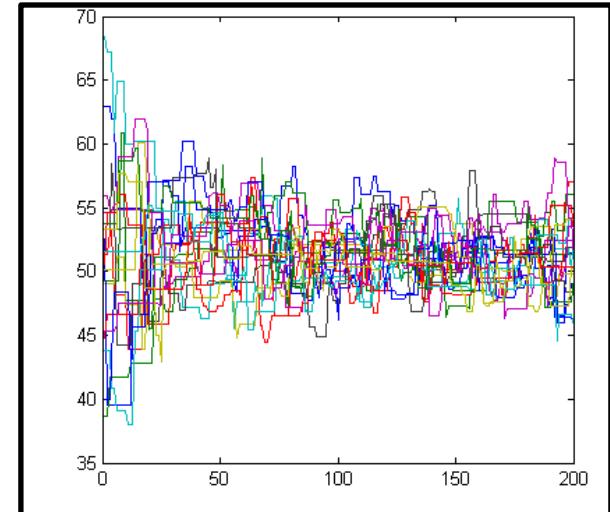
## Emulators (GPR)

Barret+2017, Taylor & Gerosa 2018



## Markov Chain Monte Carlo

Andrews+2017; (dart\_board)

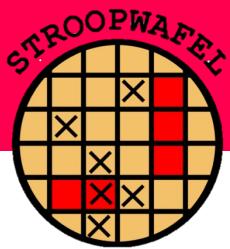


# We present:

(drum roll)

# New sampling algorithm:

Simulating The Rare Outcomes Of Populations  
With AIS For Efficient Learning



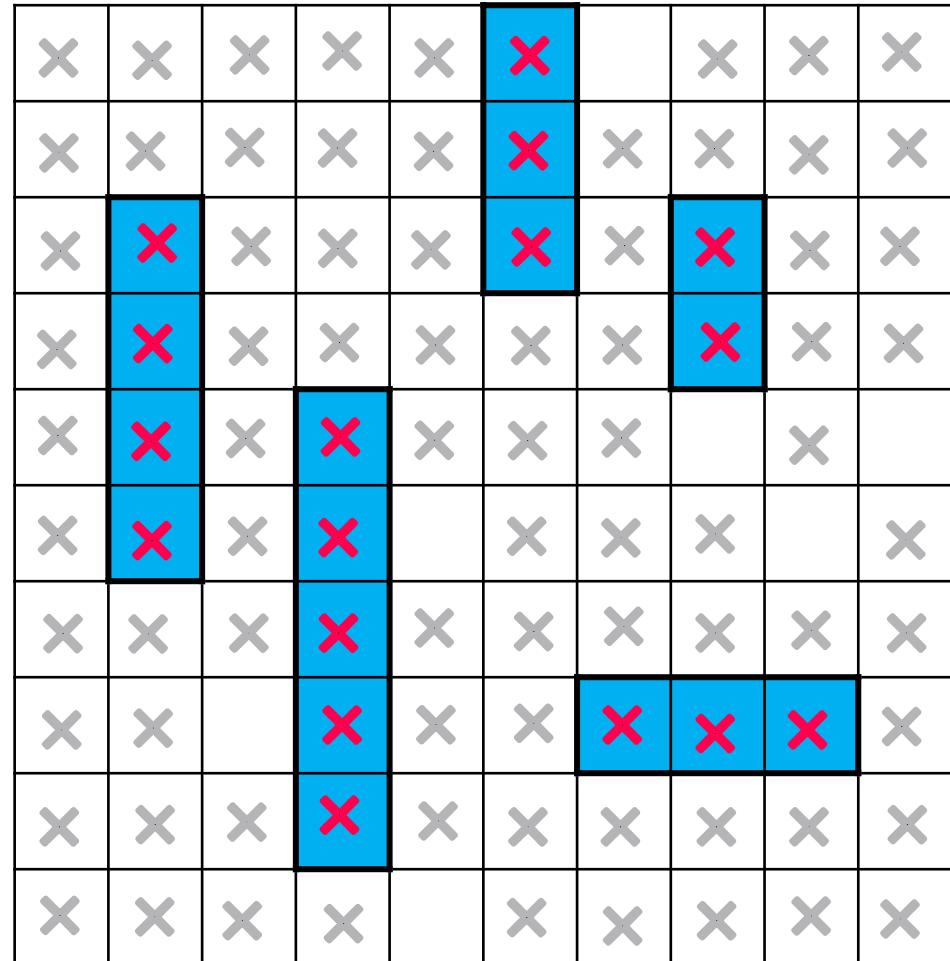
Adaptive Importance Sampling (AIS)



Marin+06, Douc+07, Owen+09, Martino+15  
AIS: Torrie & Valleau 1977, Hesterberg 1995,  
Cappe+2004, Pennanen & Koivu 2006,  
Cornuet+2012, Ortiz & Pack Kaelbling (2013)

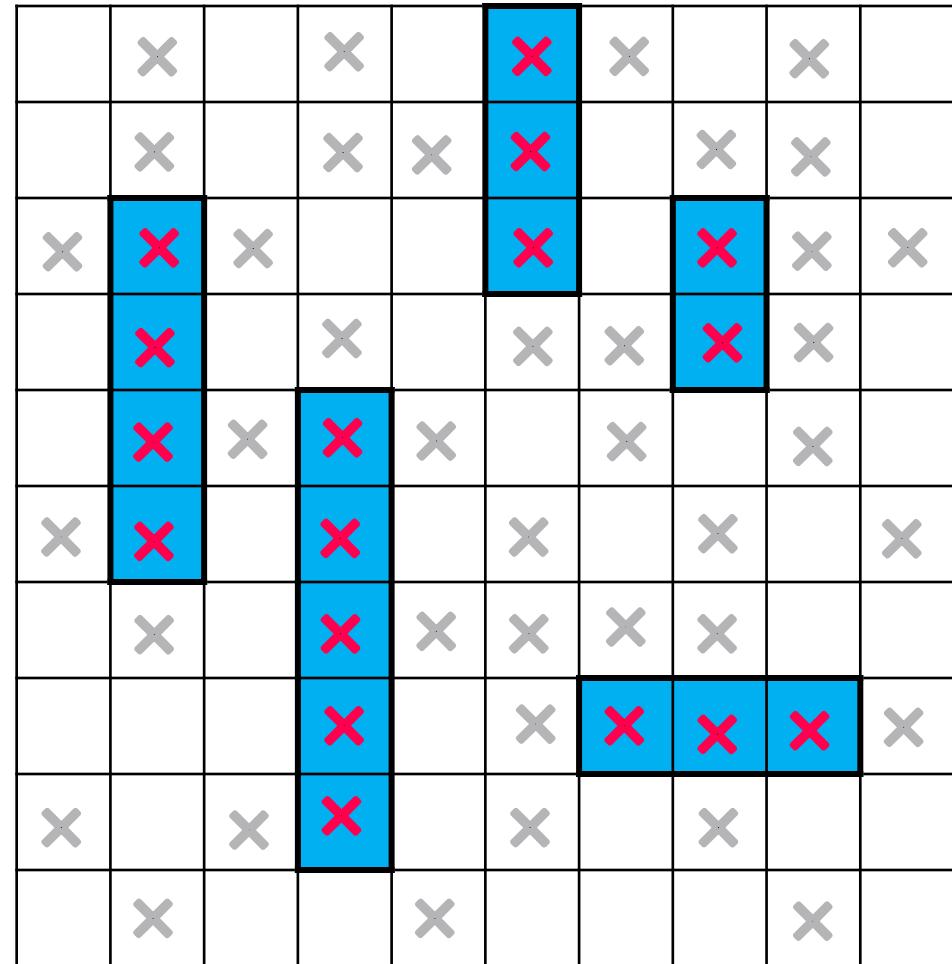
Traditional models  
use “*random shooting*”:

requires  
**< 96 >**  
shots  
to complete the game



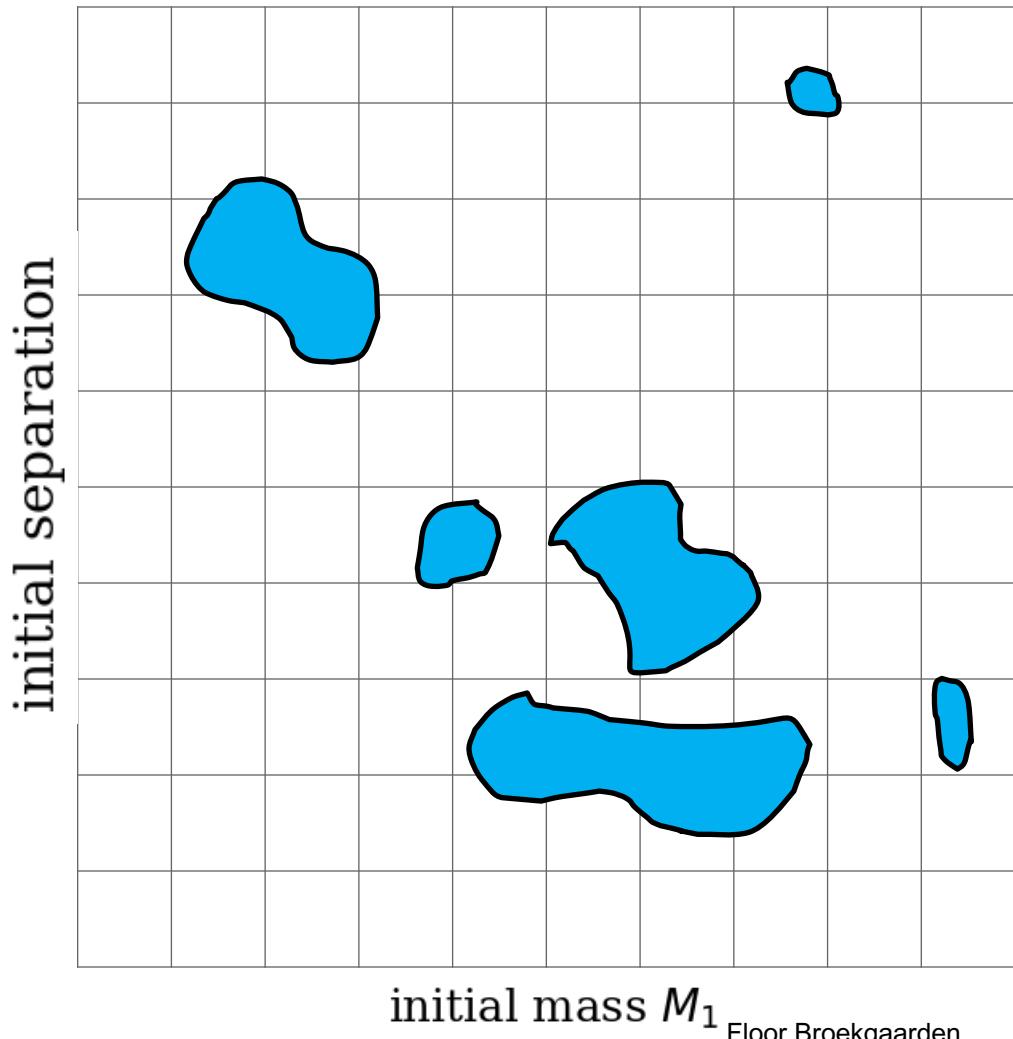
**STROOPWAFEL**  
uses “*explore/refine*”:

requires  
**< 65 >**  
shots  
to complete the game



## Binary population synthesis:

- High-dimensional space,
- Unknown “islands” that form, e.g., BH-BH mergers
- unknown “rate”  $\sim \frac{1}{1000}$

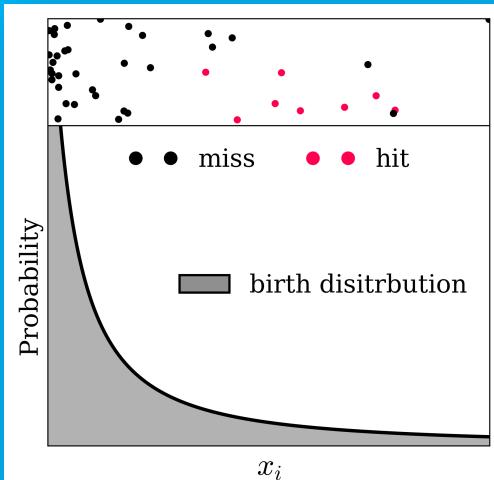


initial mass  $M_1$

Floor Broekgaarden

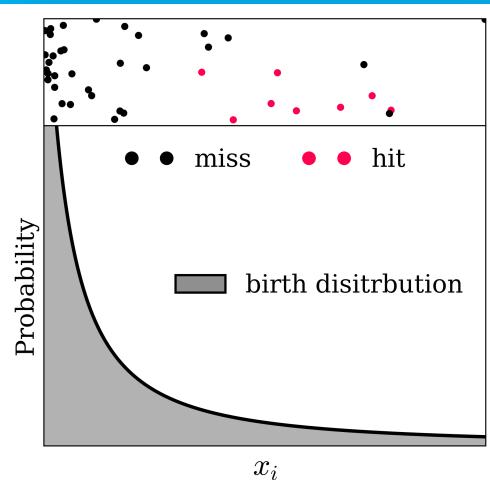
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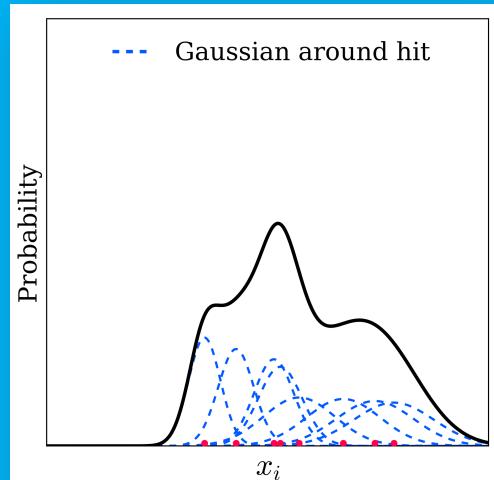


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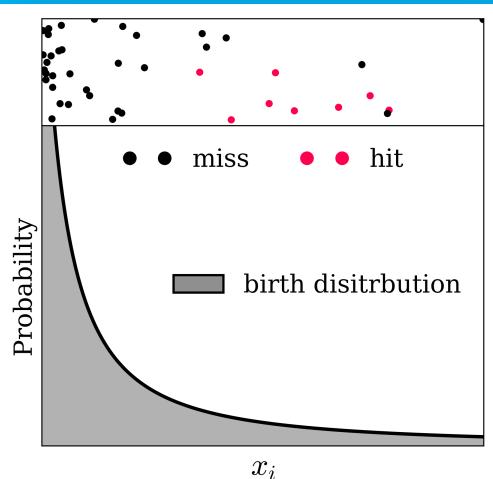


## 2) Create adapted distribution

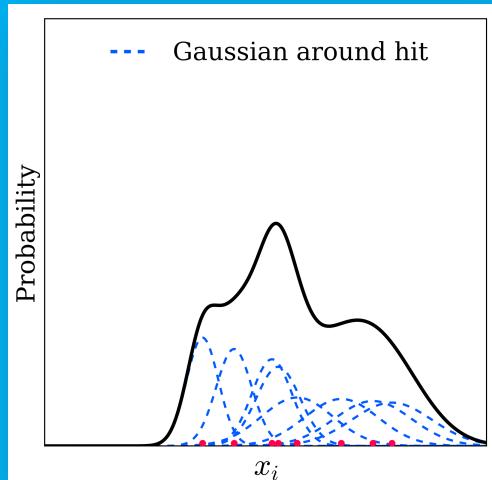


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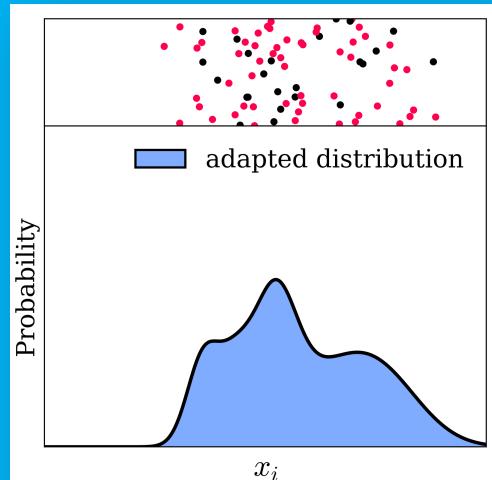
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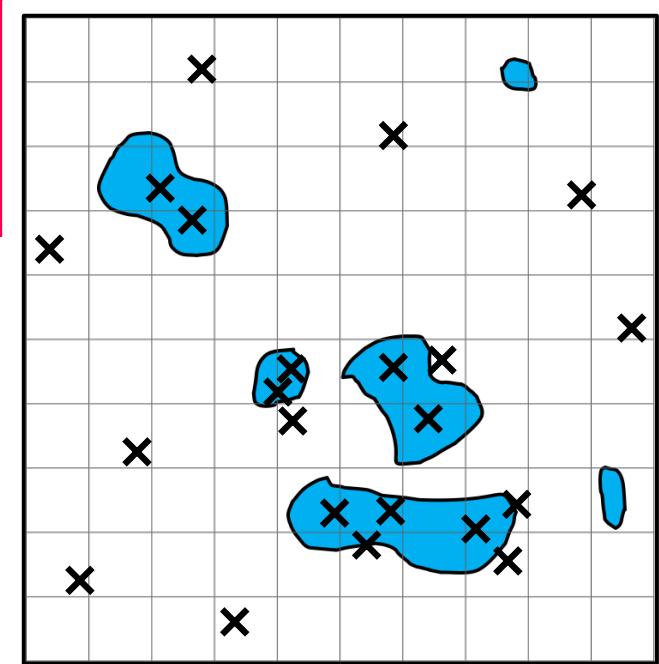
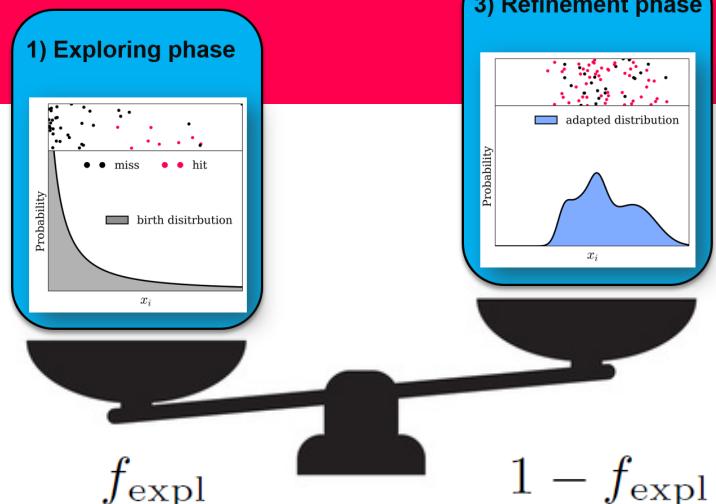


## 3) Refinement phase



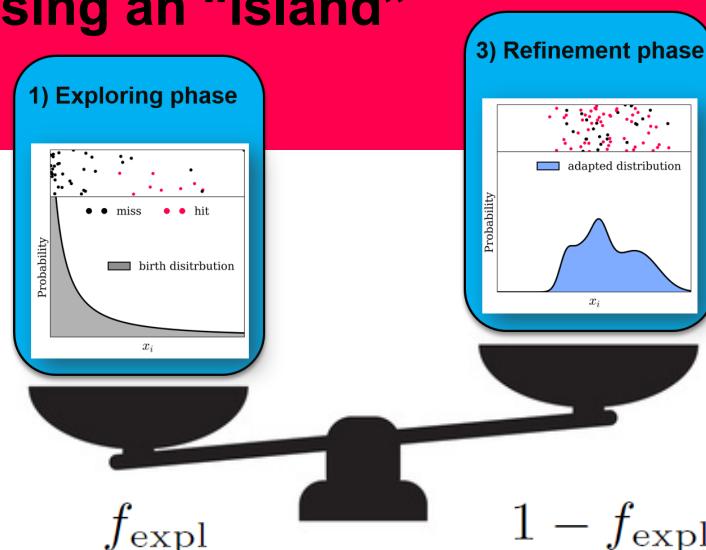
# When to switch from exploring to refinement?

Getting more “hits”  
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Alternative to e.g. Effective Sample Size (ESS) Hesterberg 1995; Liu 2008

Uncertainty from refining

$$f_{\text{expl}} = 1 - \frac{z_1(\sqrt{1-z_1} - \sqrt{z_2})}{\sqrt{1-z_1}(\sqrt{z_2(1-z_1)} + z_1)}$$

↑  
uncertainty from missing an island

# Results

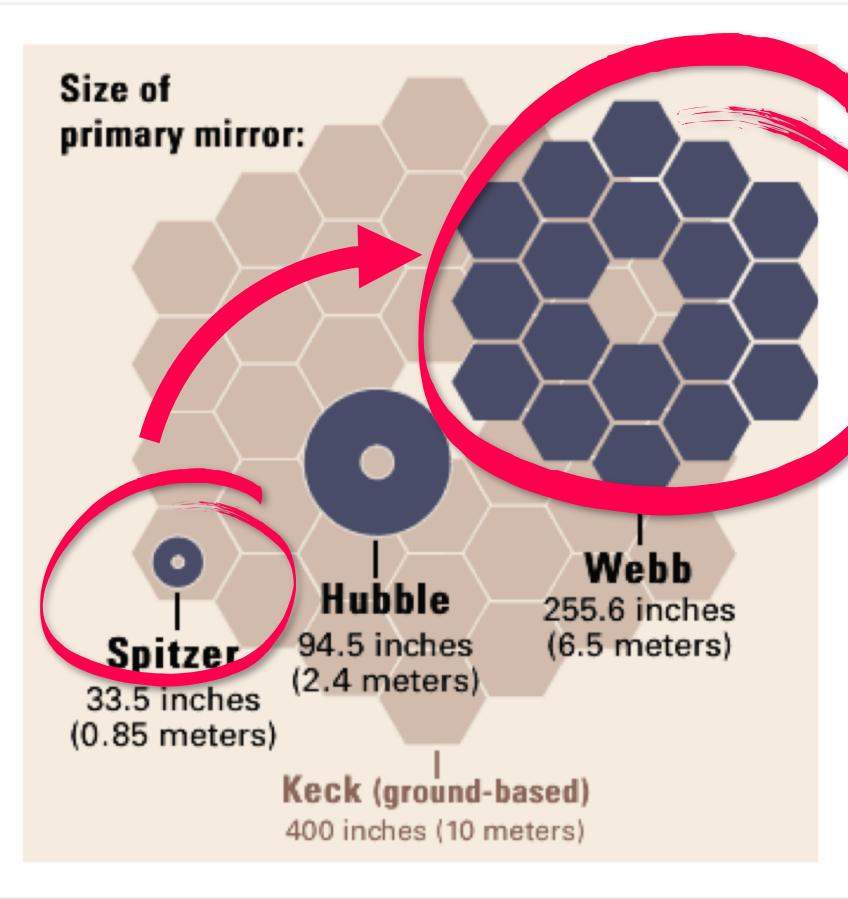
# Ingredients

- 6 different target populations
- 3 parameters:  
 $m_1$ ,  $m_2$  & separation
- traditional vs STROOPWAFEL sampling

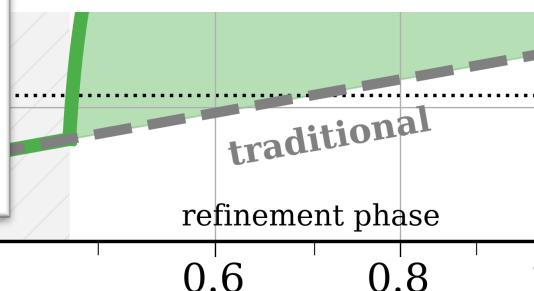
Simulation	Target subpopulation
1	All DCO mergers in a Hubble time
2	BH–BH mergers in a Hubble time
3	BH–NS mergers in a Hubble time
4	NS–NS mergers in a Hubble time
5	BH–BH mergers $m_{\text{tot}} > 50 M_{\odot}$
6	NS–NS mergers with $t_{\text{coal}} < 50 \text{ Myrs}$



# efficiency

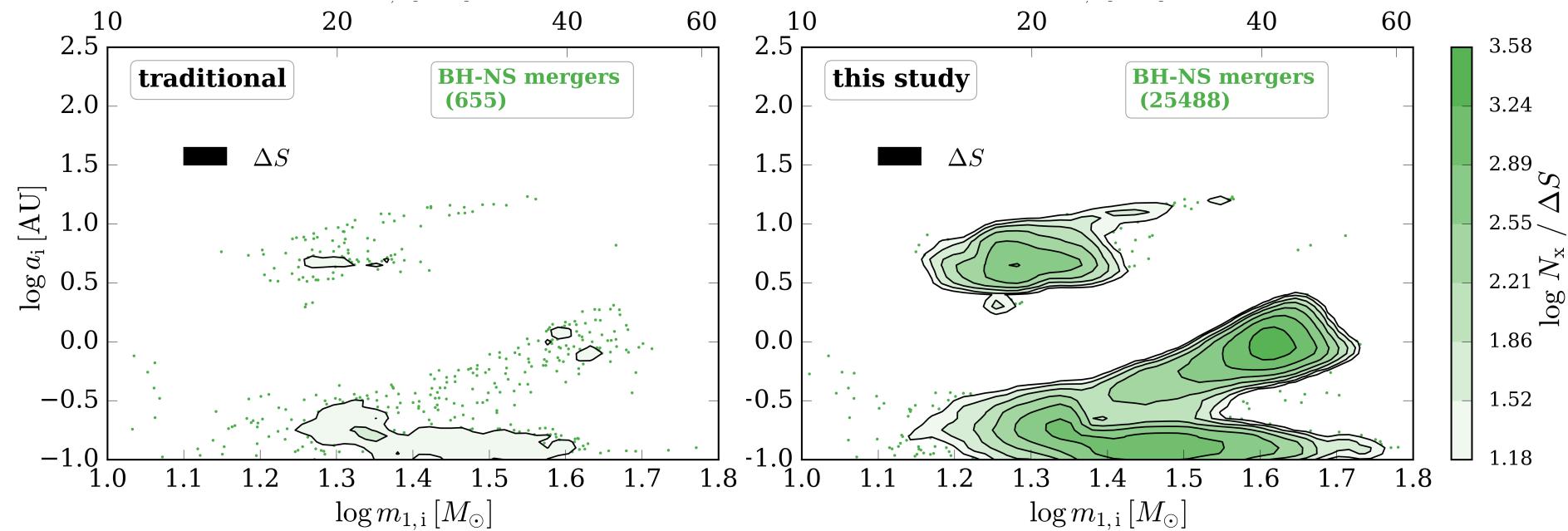


subpopulation	gain
CO mergers in a Hubble time	35×
H mergers in a Hubble time	53×
S mergers in a Hubble time	39×
S mergers in a Hubble time	45×
H mergers $m_{\text{tot}} > 50 M_{\odot}$	202×
S mergers with $t_{\text{coal}} < 50 \text{ Myrs}$	24×

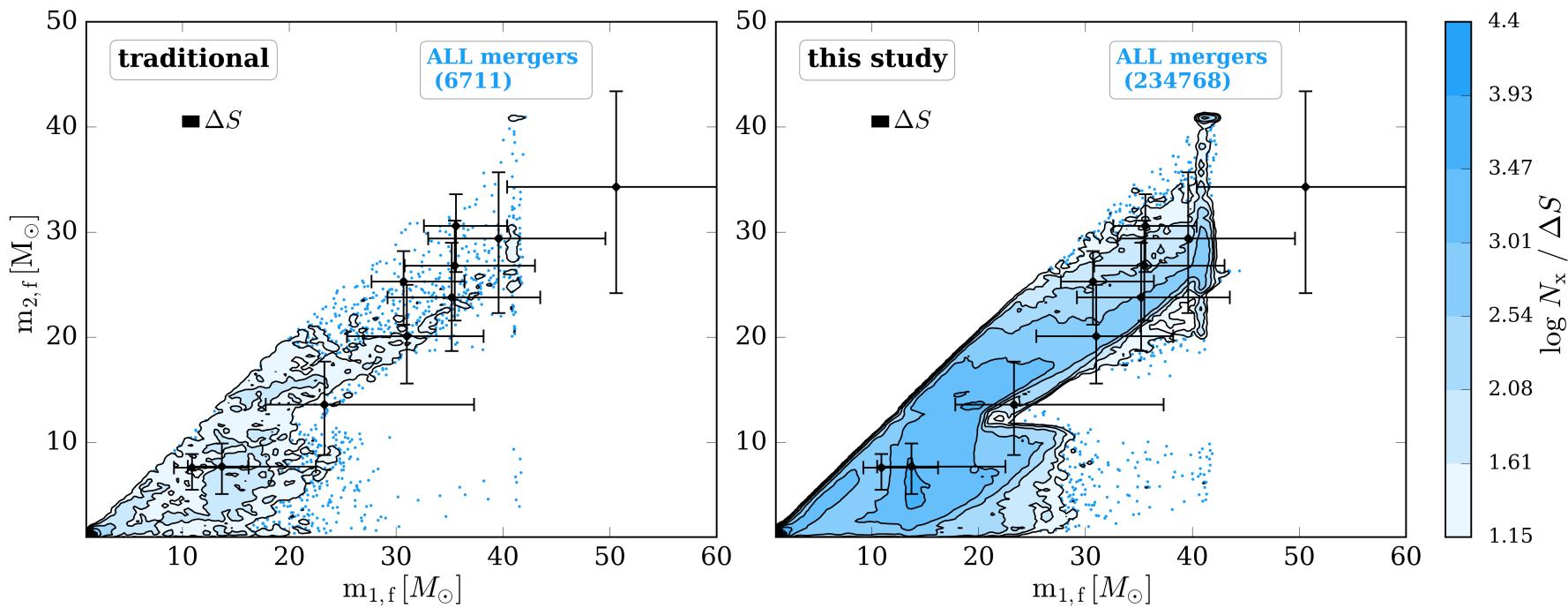


$$N_{\text{binaries}} (\times 10^6)$$

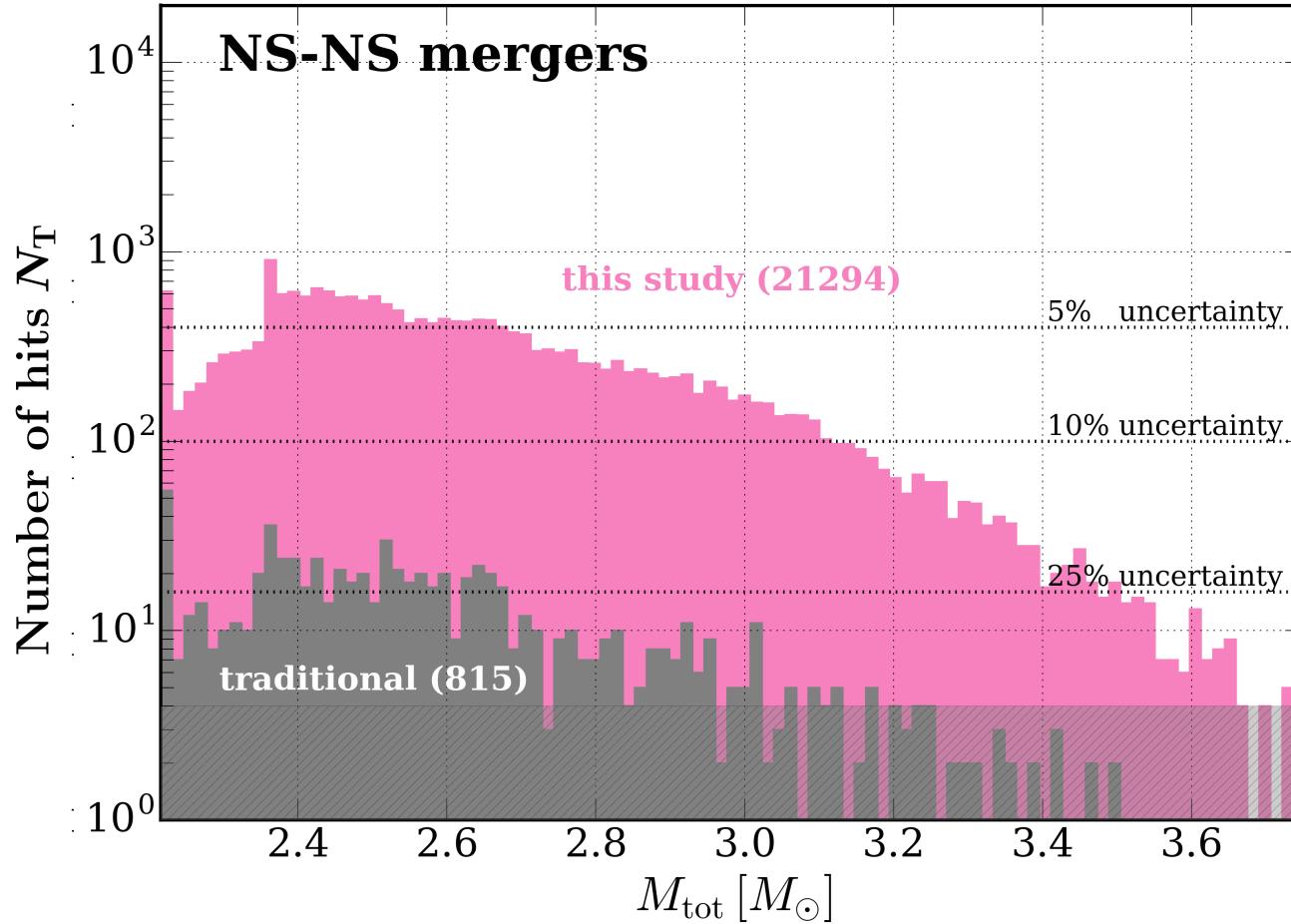
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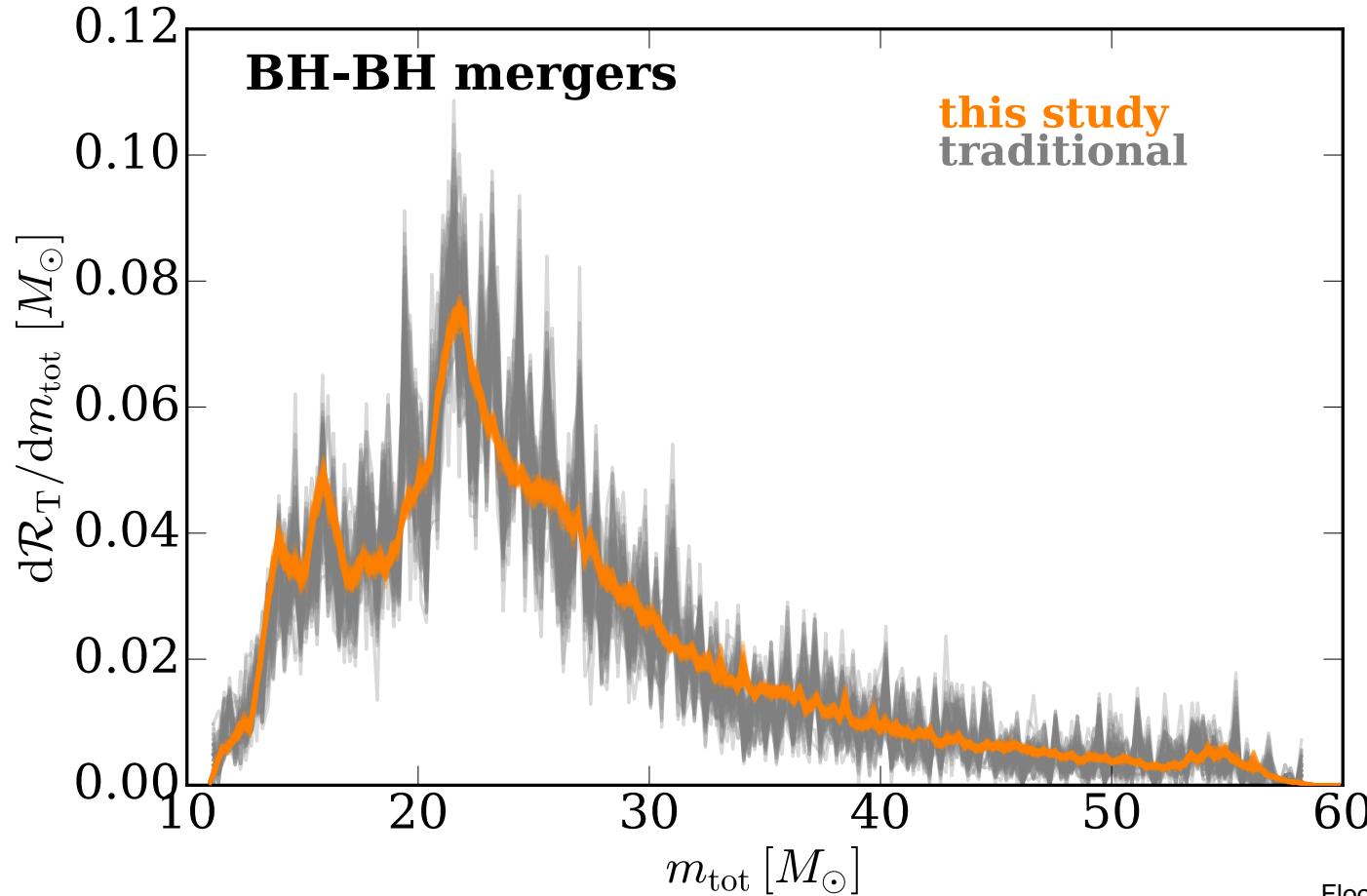
# Higher resolution output



# Resolve tails of distributions



# Better distribution functions

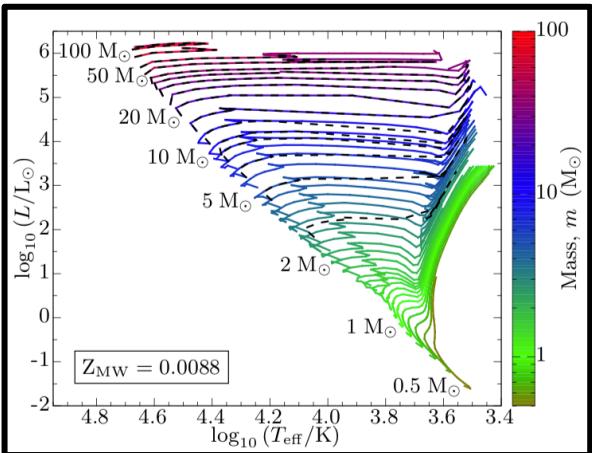




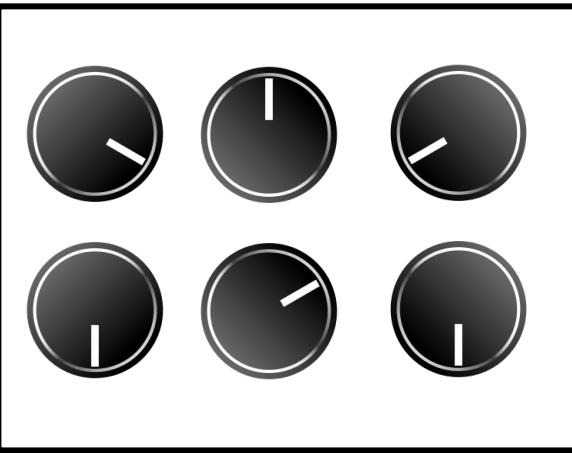
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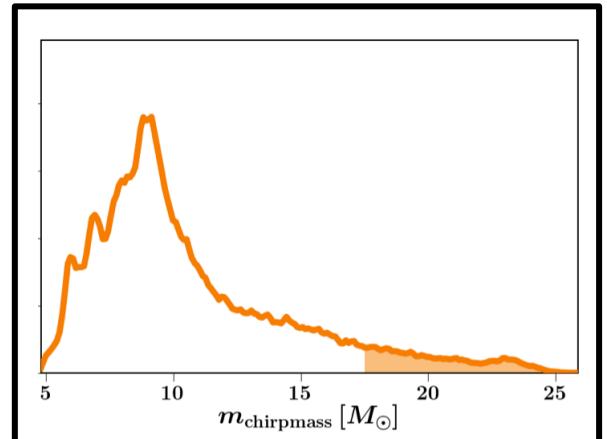
# STROOPWAFEL helps next generation simulations:



Include detailed prescriptions



Perform larger  
parameter study



Explore tails of  
distributions



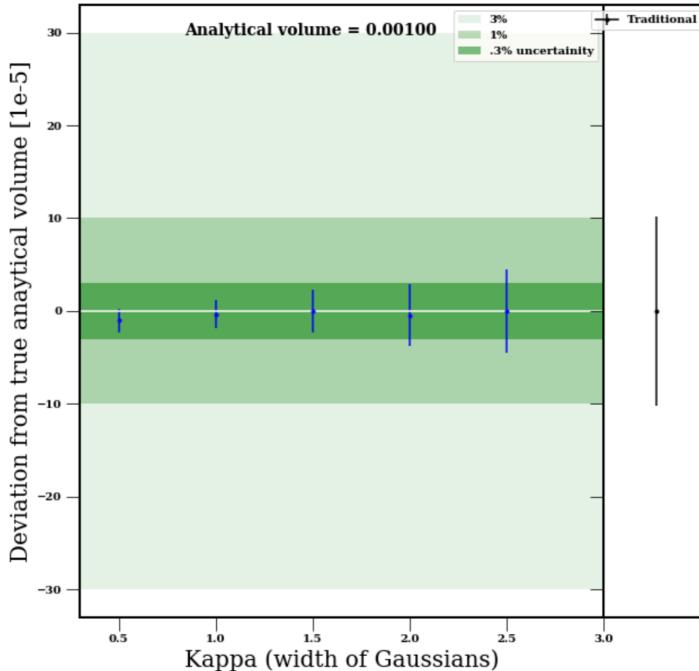
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- Improves population studies of rare events

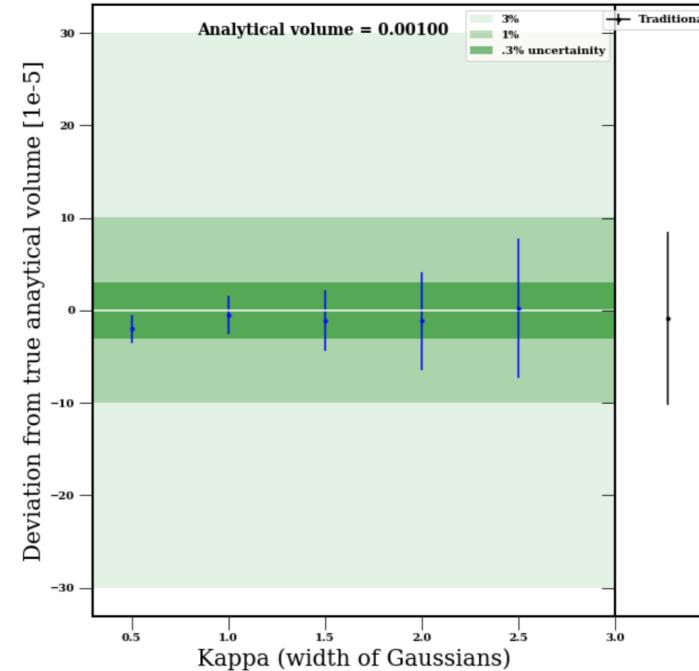
Broekgaarden et al., 2019  
Data, code and all plotting scripts  
available on Zenodo/github

# Future Prospects: more dimensions

Uncertainty rate [4 dimensions]



Uncertainty rate [5 dimensions]



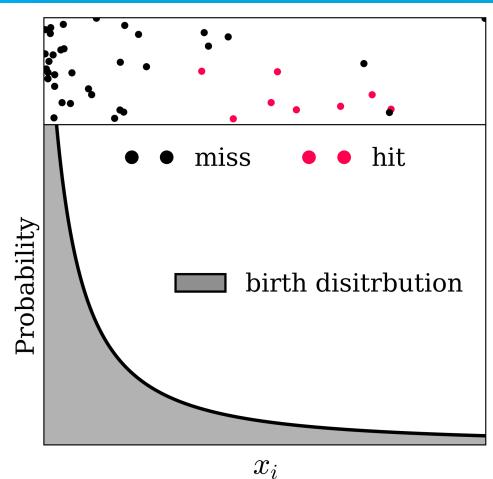
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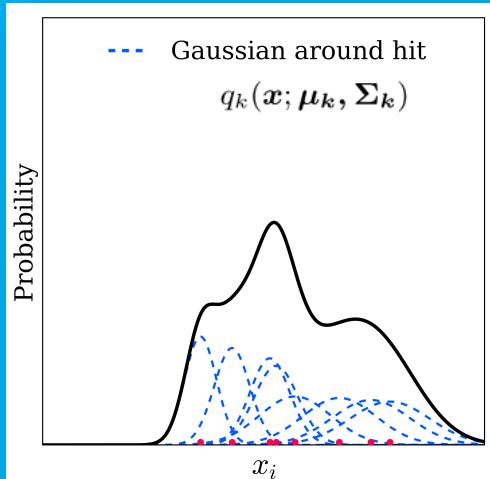
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# Future prospects: non-diagonal Gaussians?

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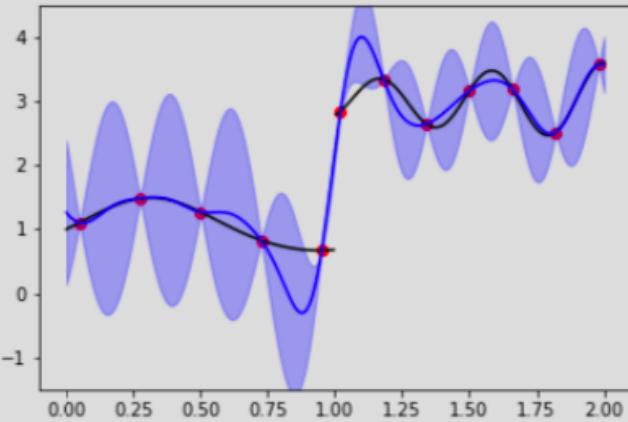


$$\Sigma_k = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1,k}^2 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \ddots & \\ \vdots & & \sigma_{d,k}^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

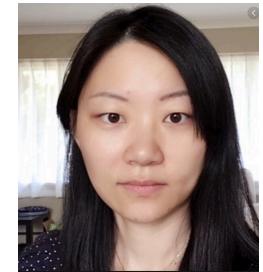
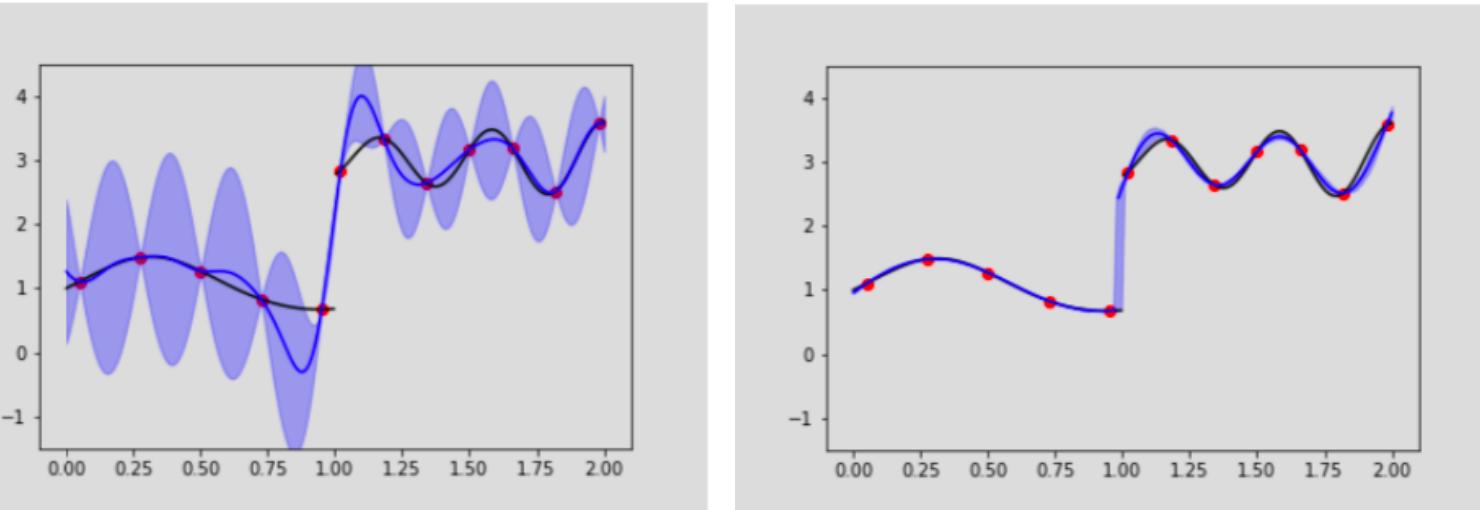
$$\sigma_{j,k} = \kappa \frac{1}{\pi_j(x_k) N_{\text{expl}}^{1/d}},$$

# Future Prospects: Gaussian process classifiers & emulation

Traditional Gaussian Process Regression



Luyao Lin (in prep.)



Luyao Lin



Derek Bingham



# Thank you!

## TIME COST

STRATEGY A

STRATEGY B

ANALYZING WHETHER  
STRATEGY A OR B  
IS MORE EFFICIENT

THE REASON I AM SO INEFFICIENT



# Early career astronomers & astrophysicists

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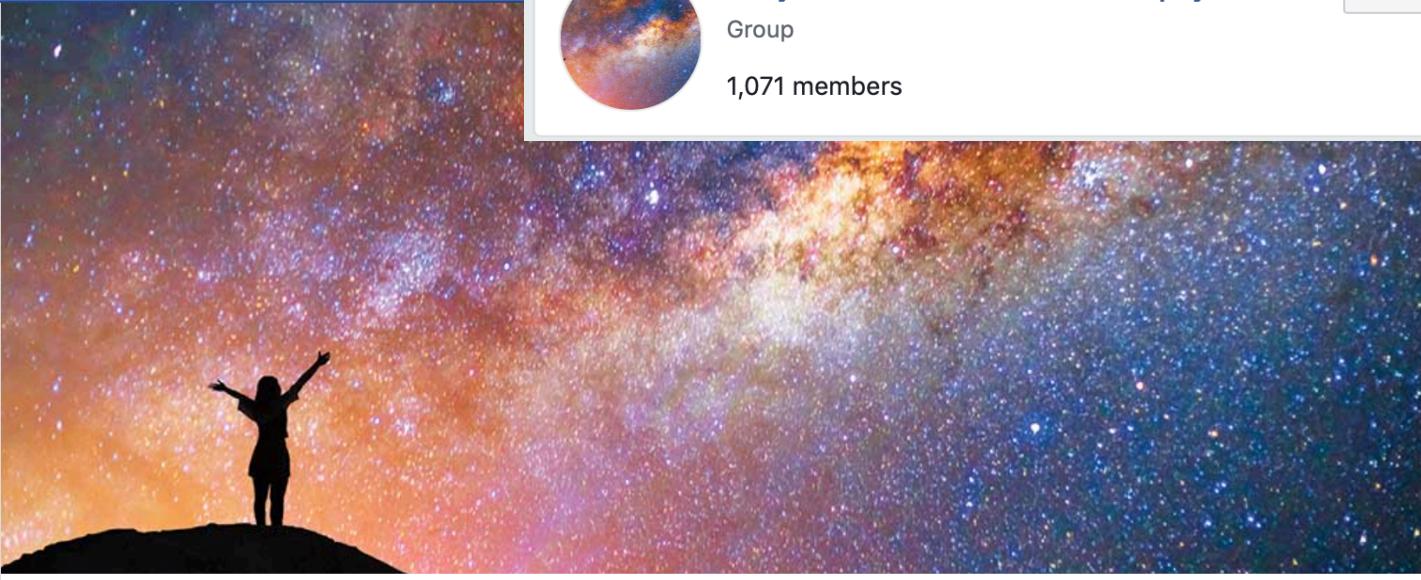
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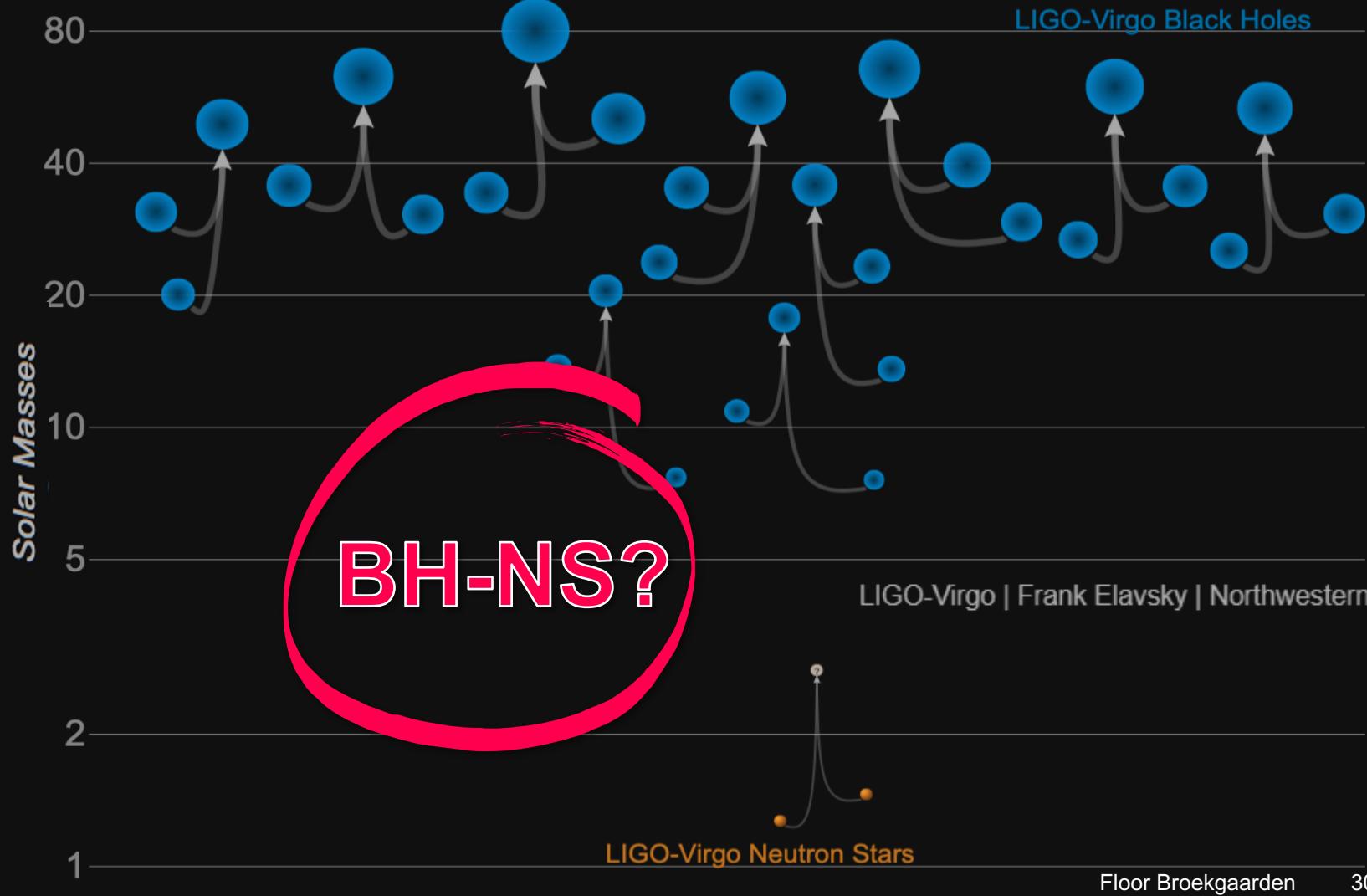
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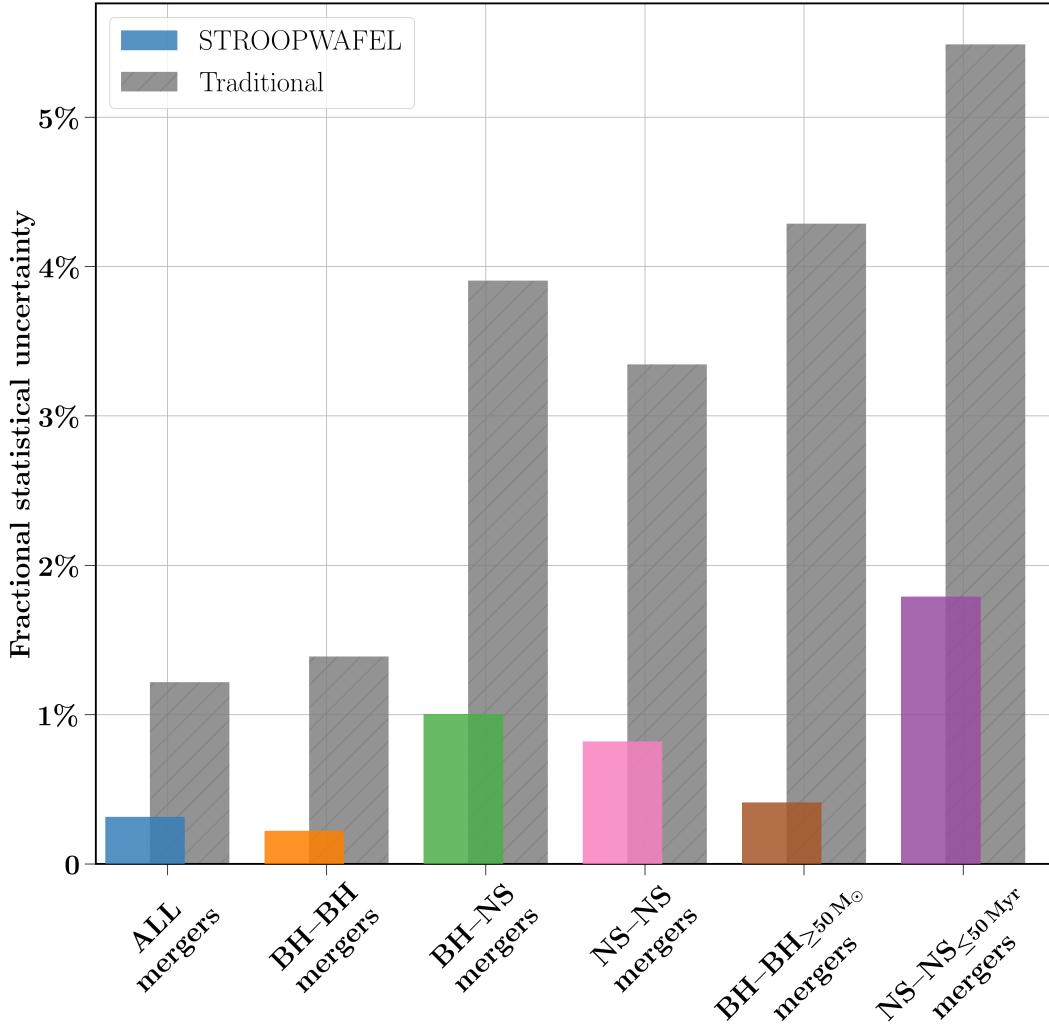
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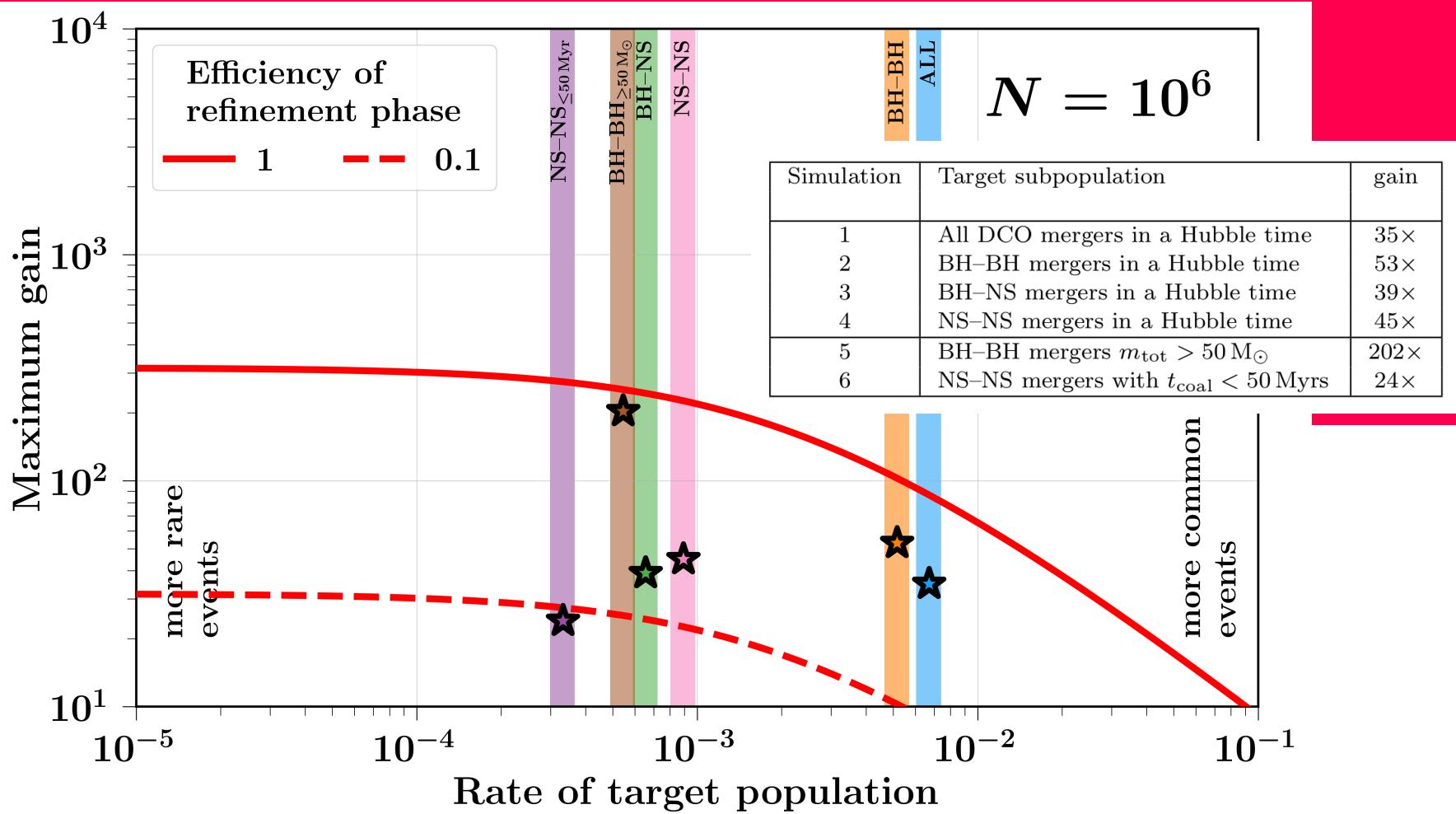
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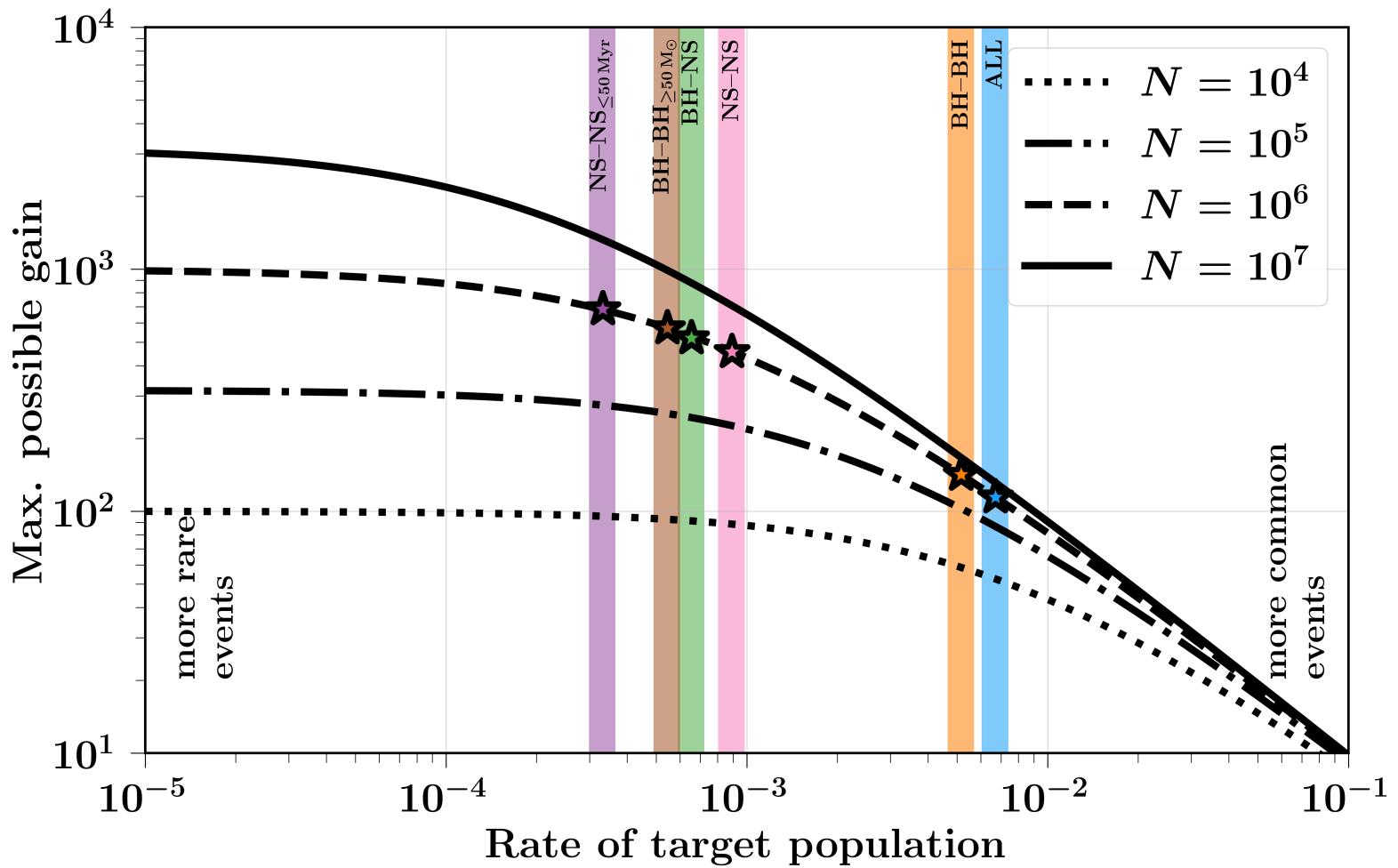


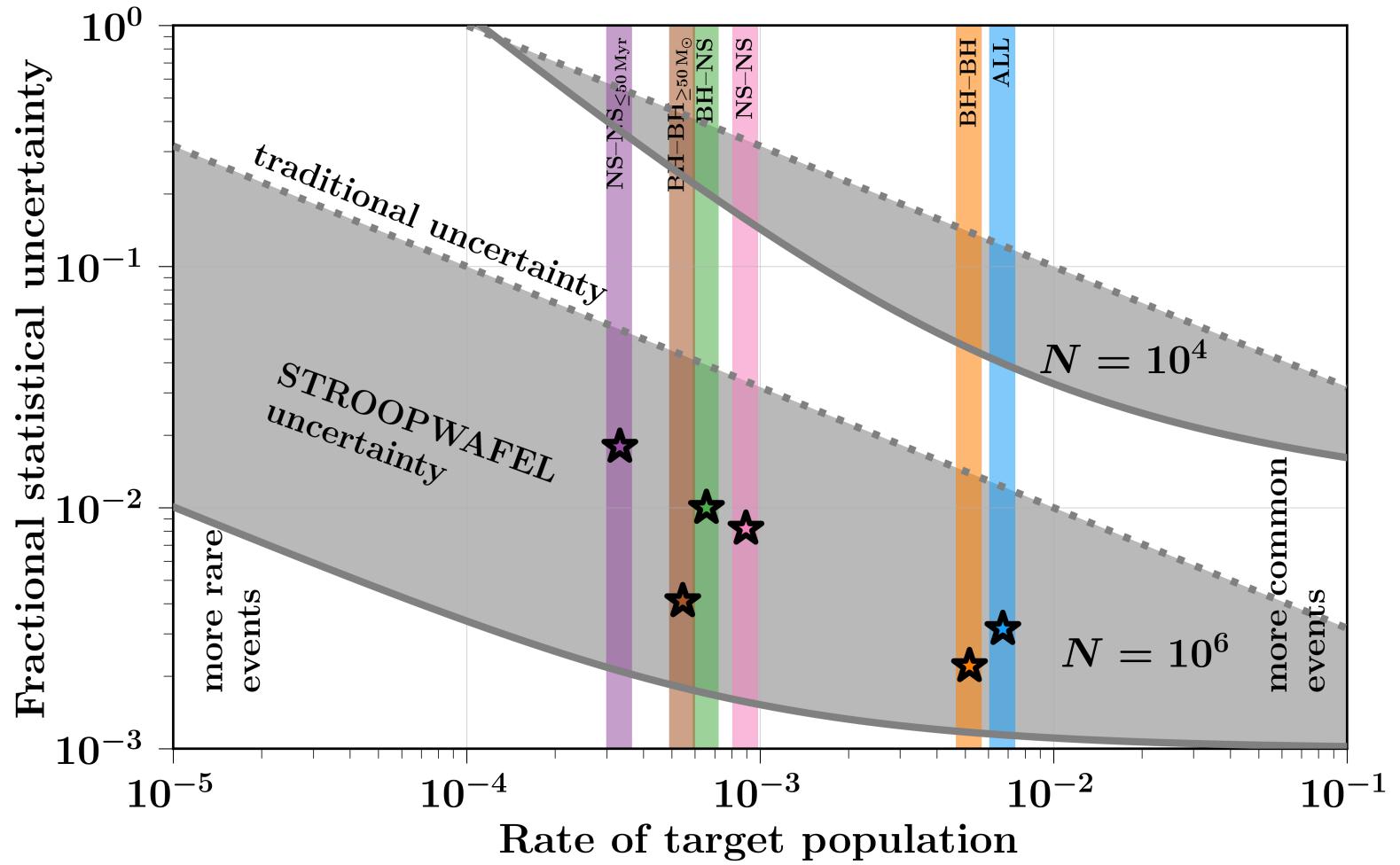
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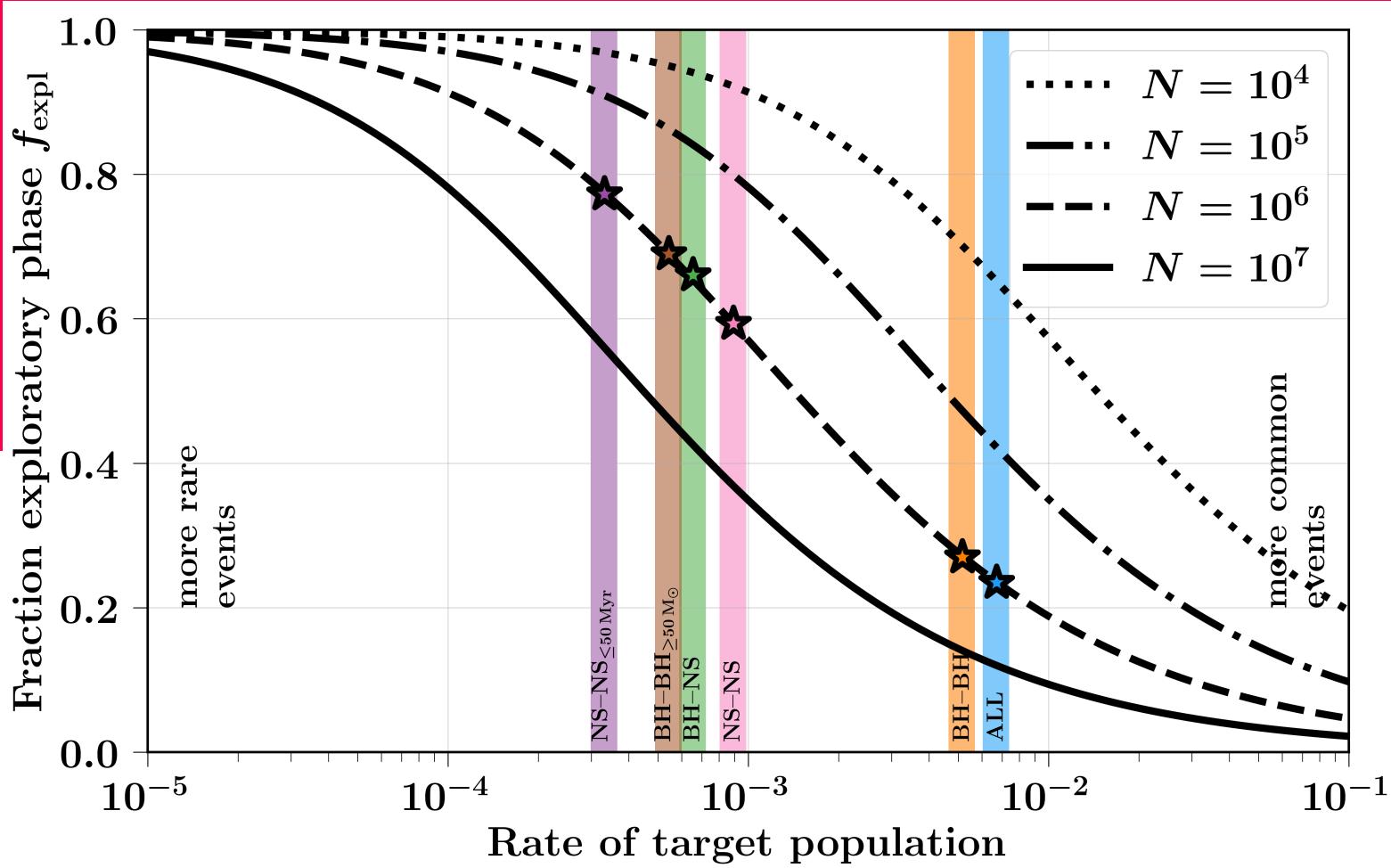
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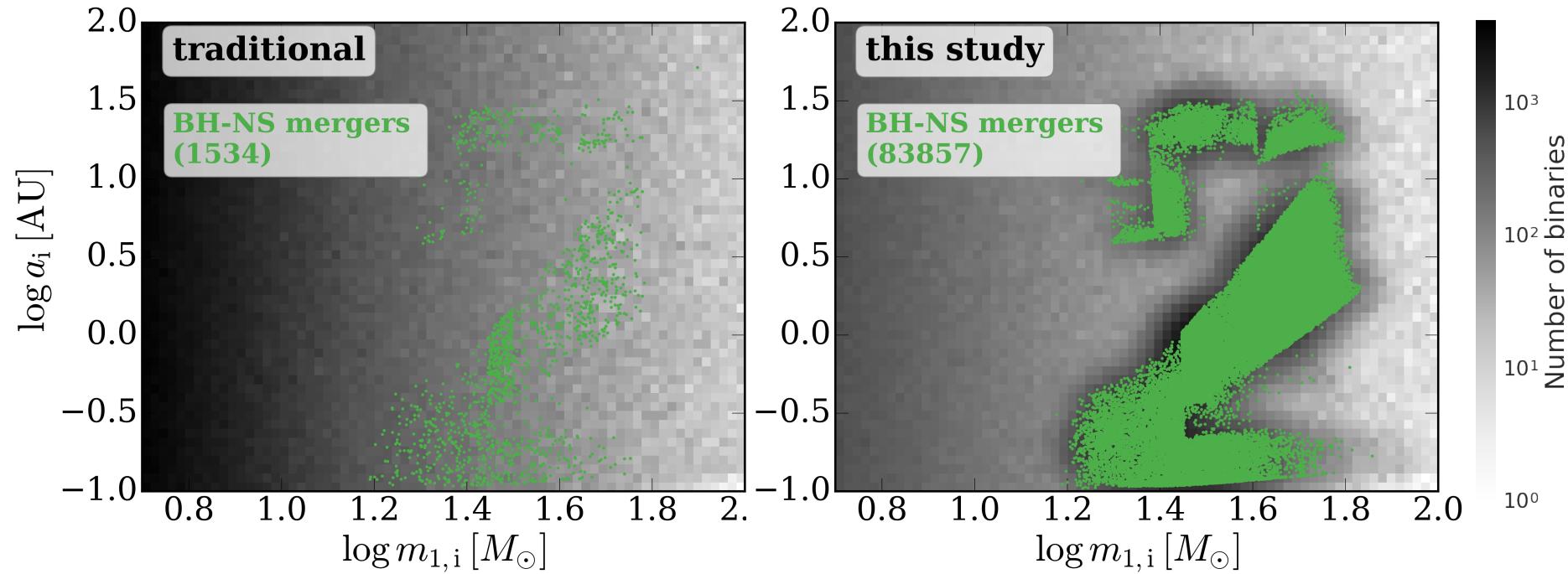




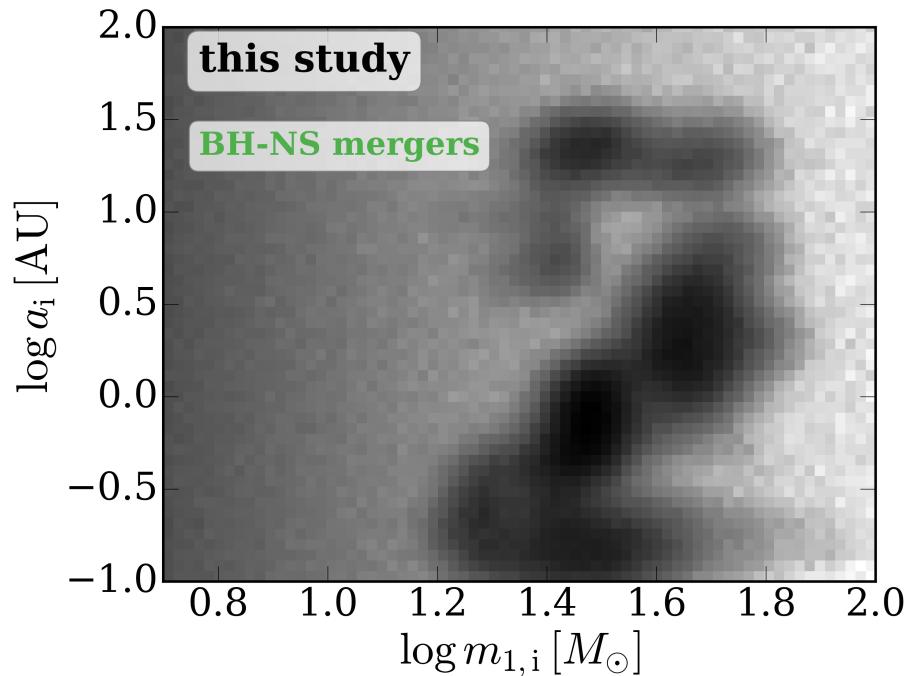
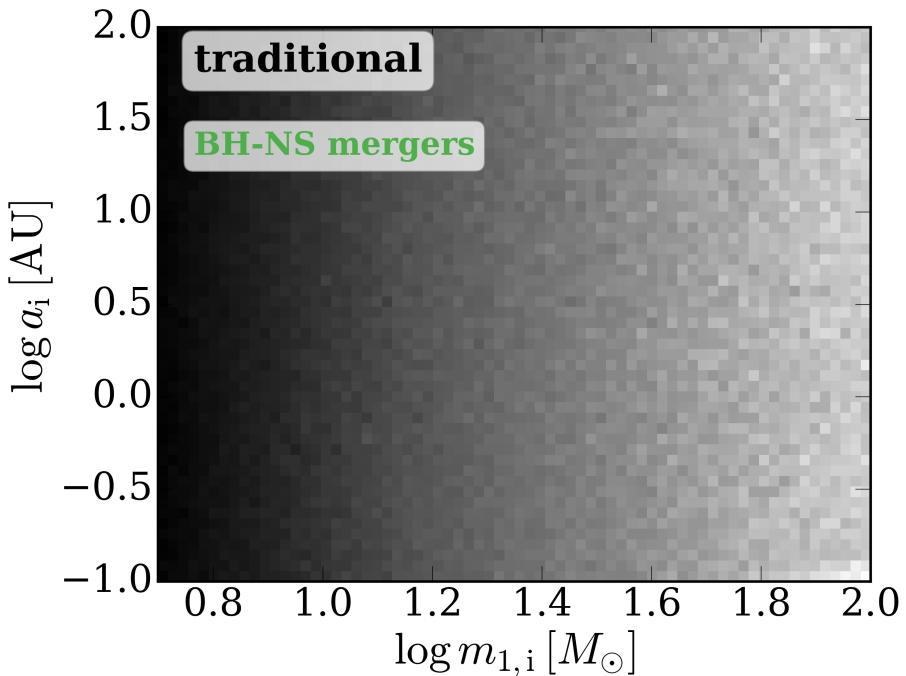


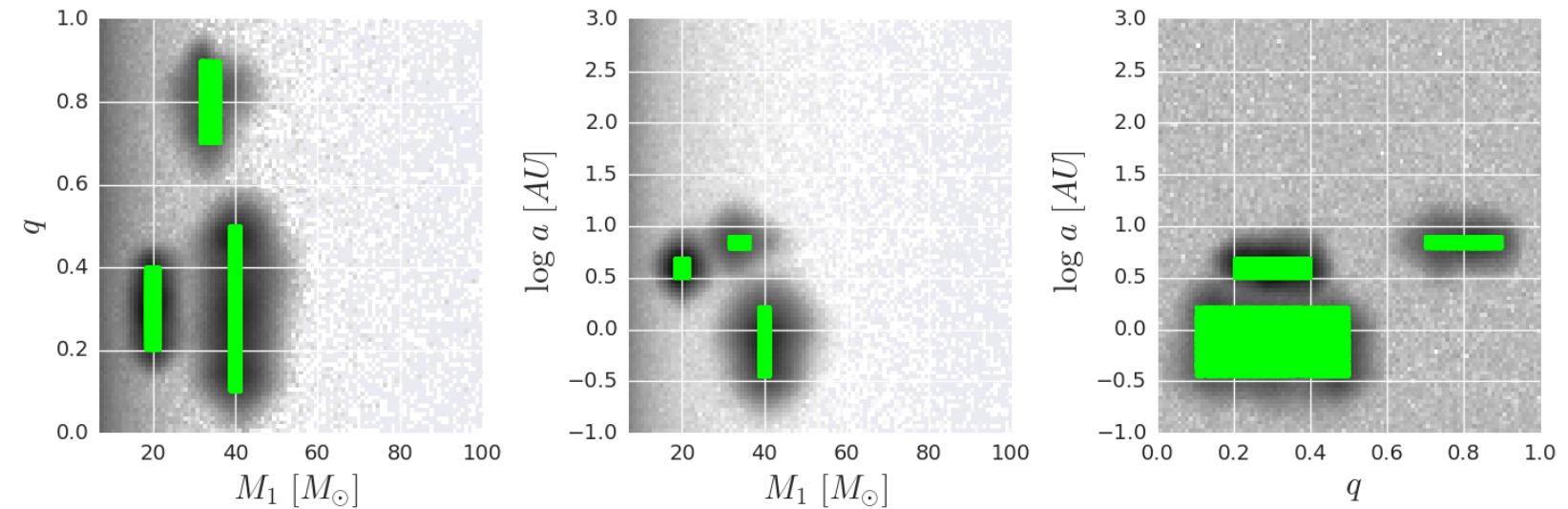


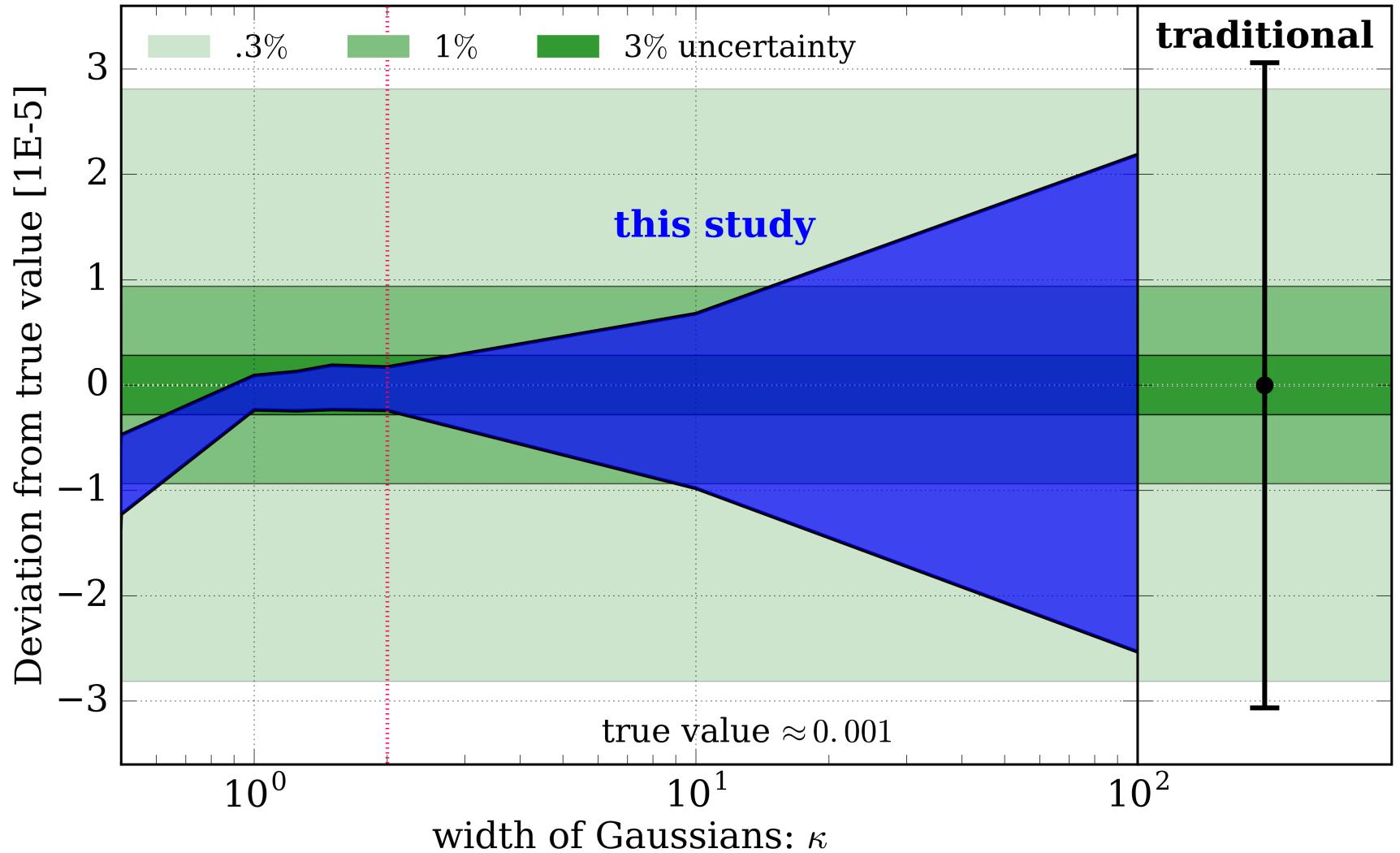
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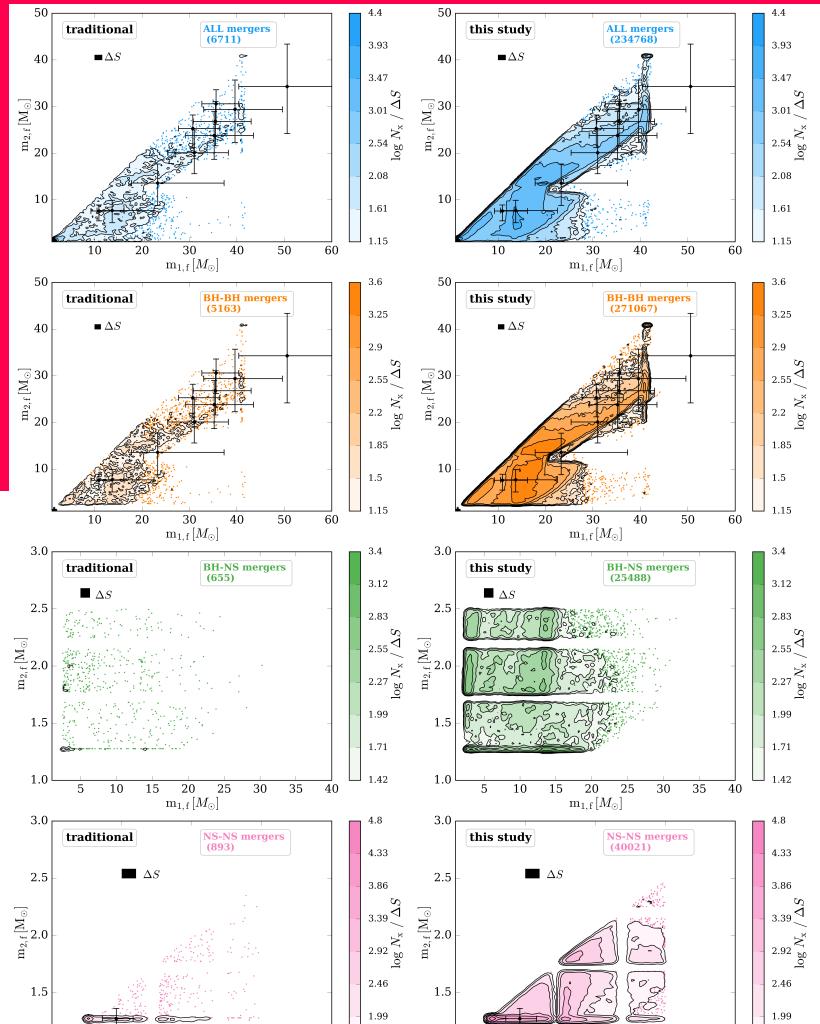


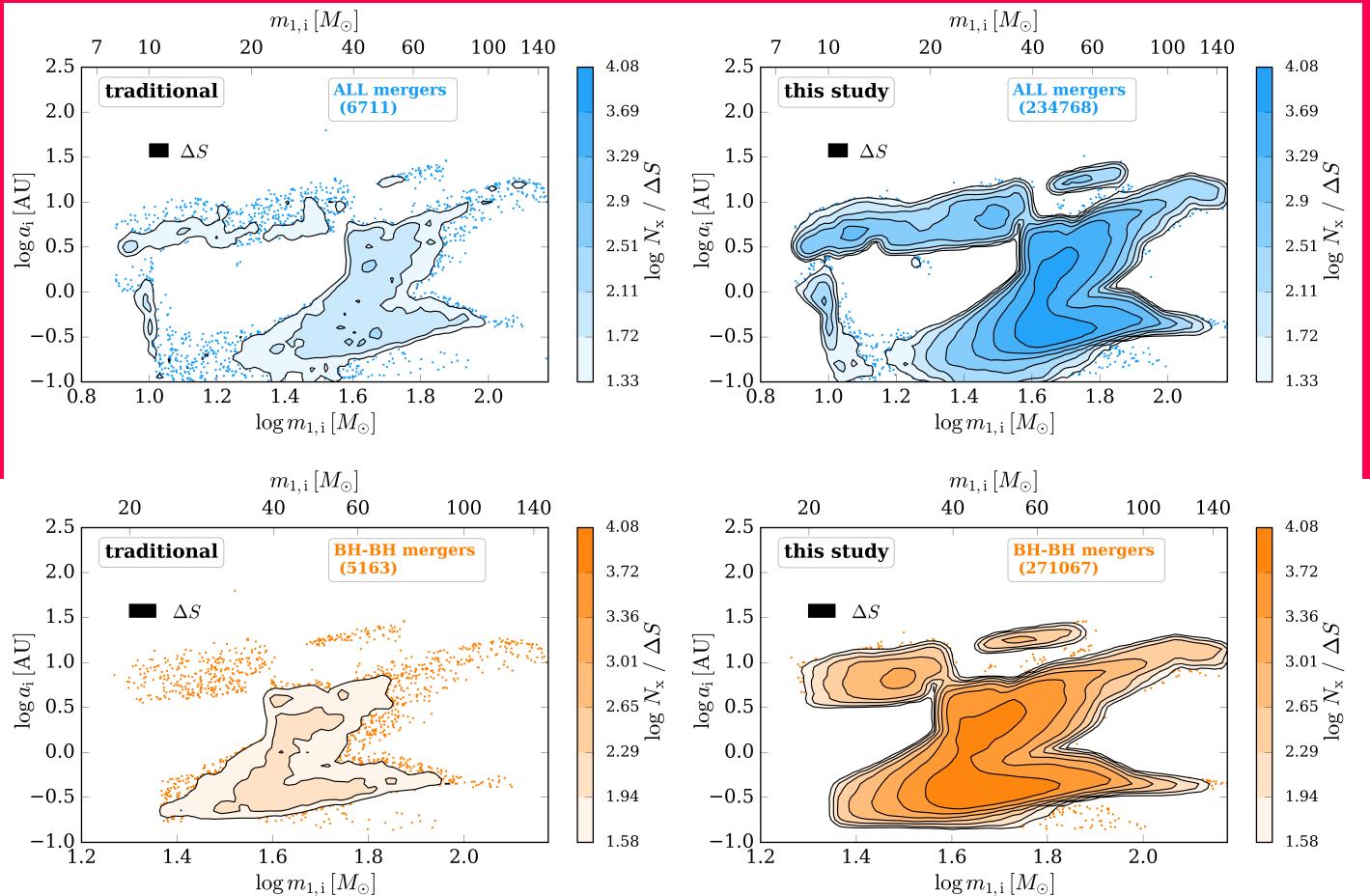
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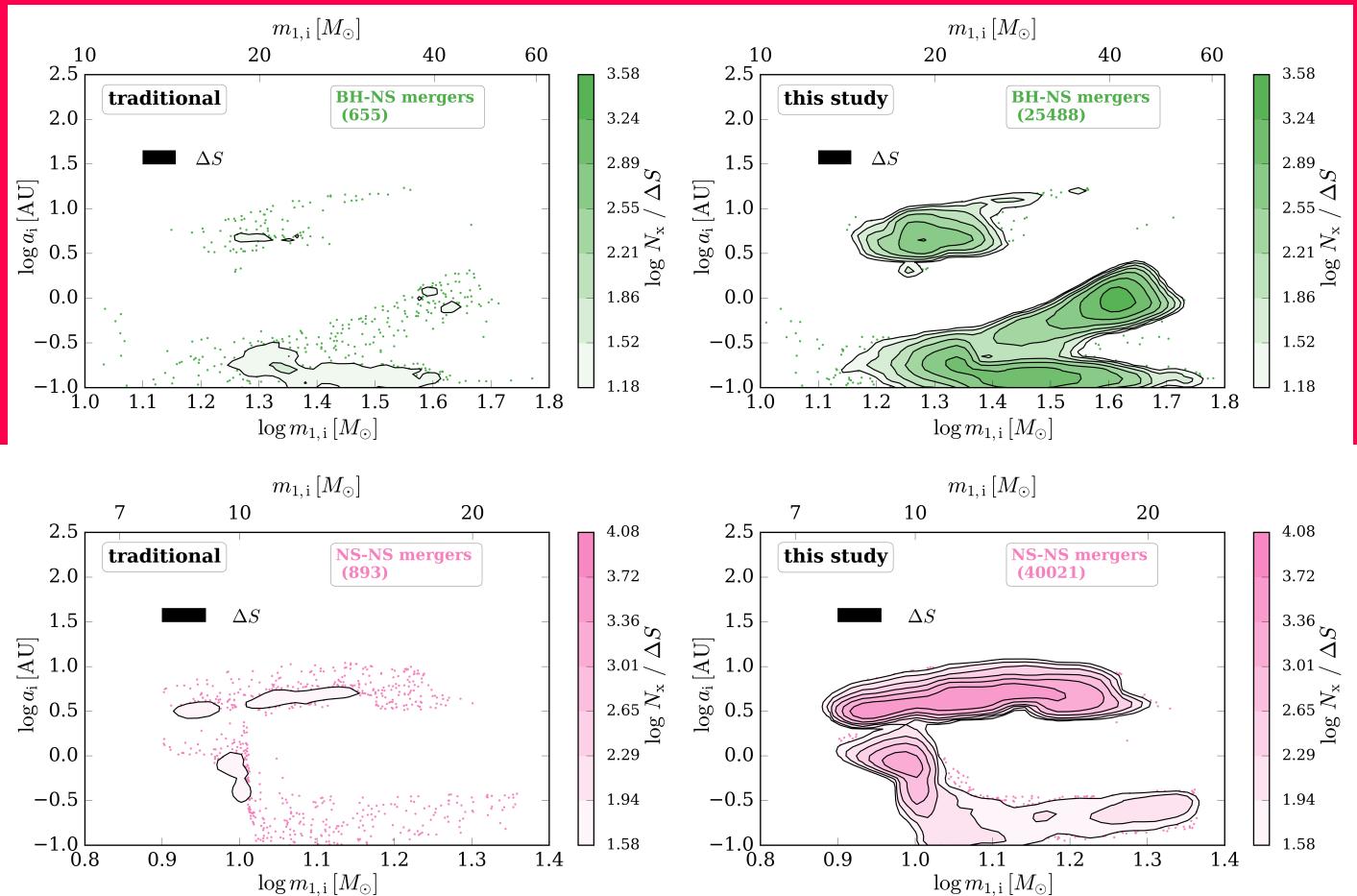


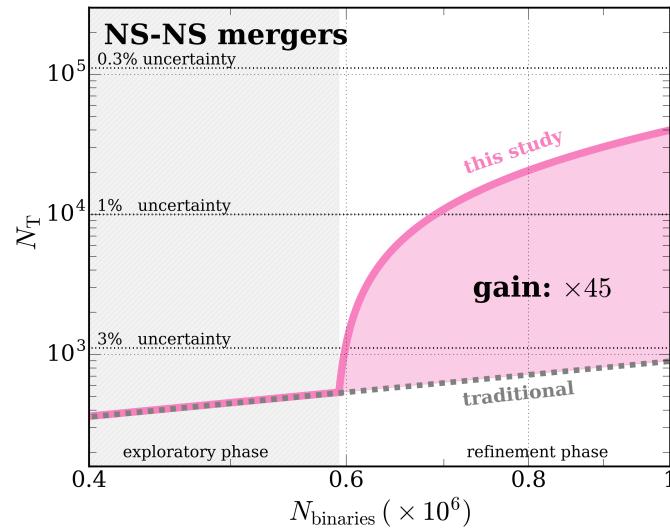
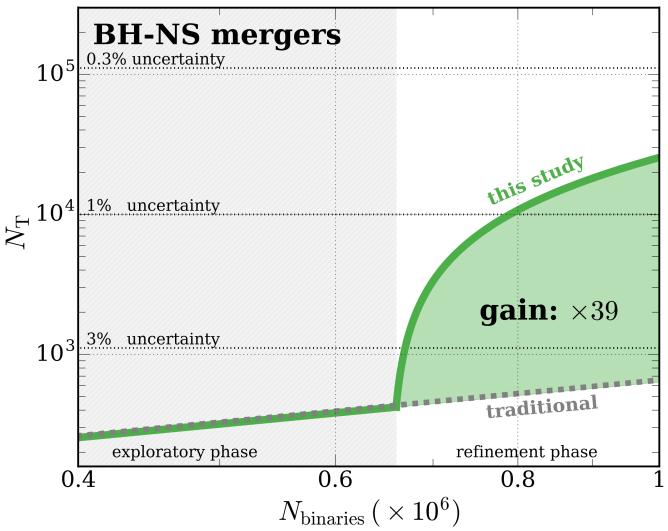
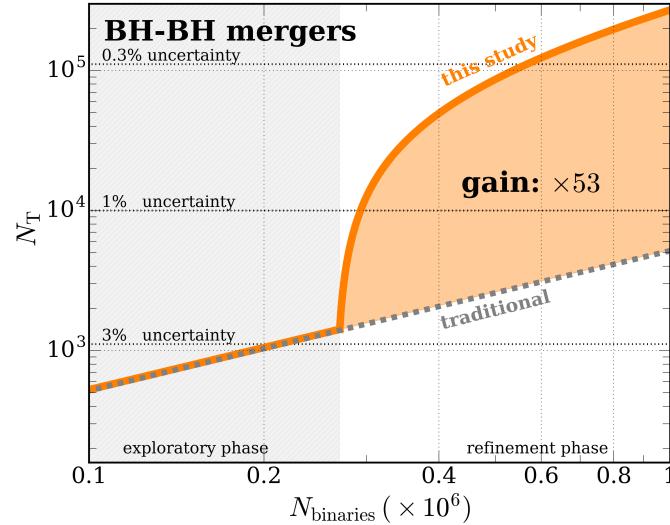
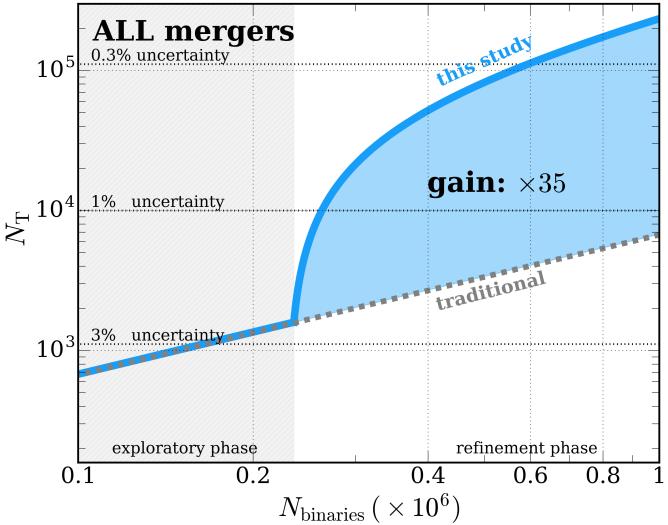


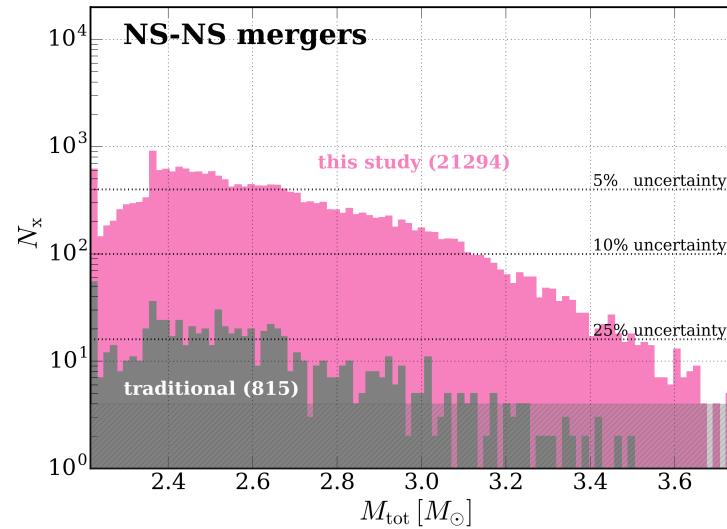
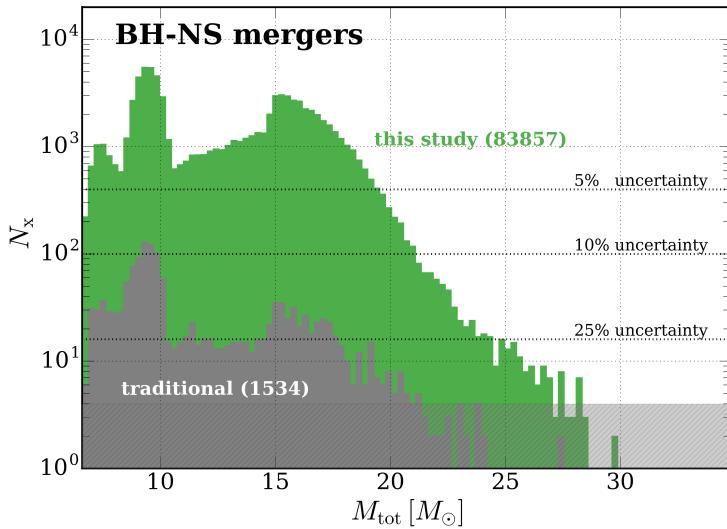
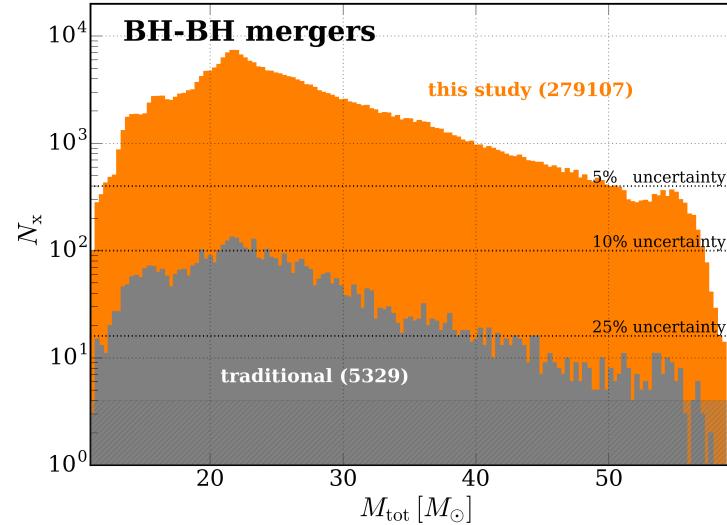
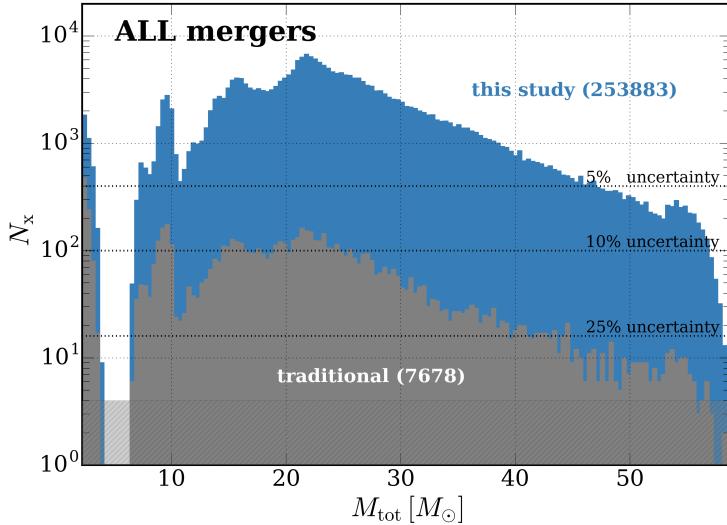


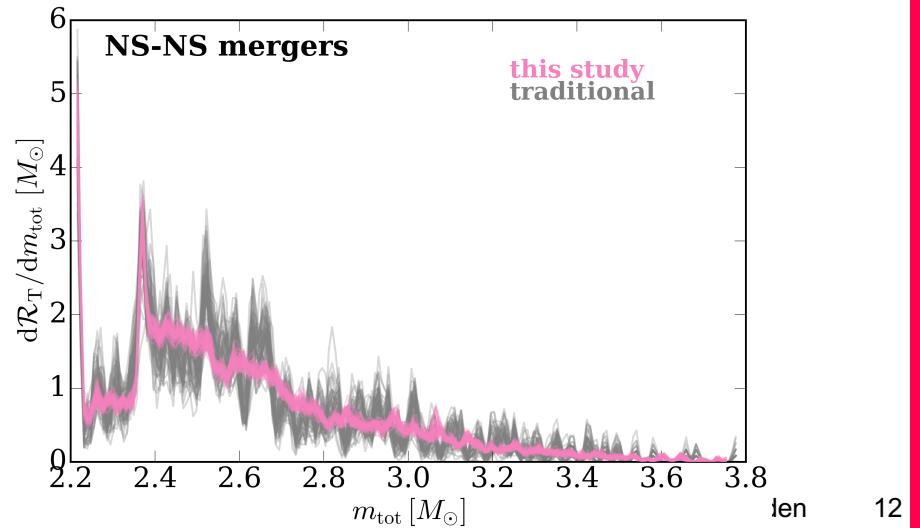
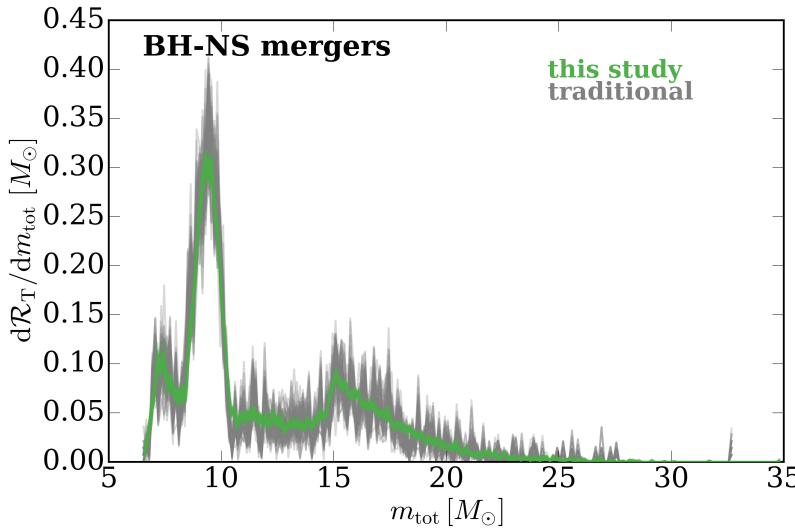
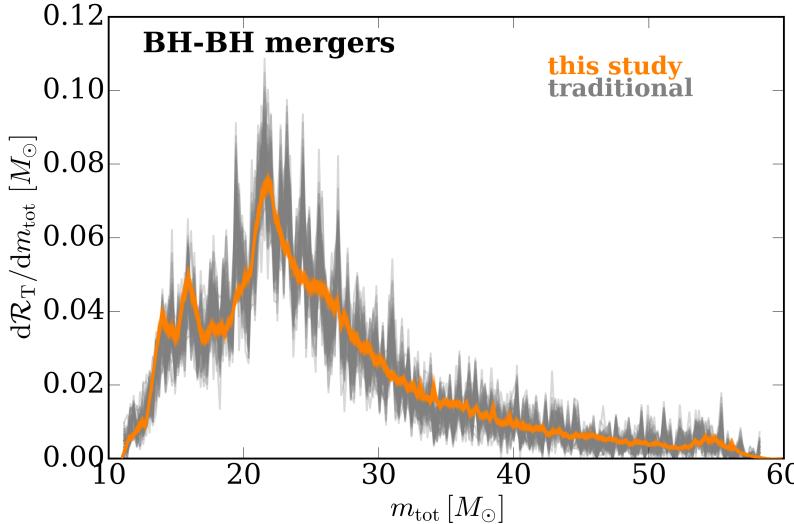
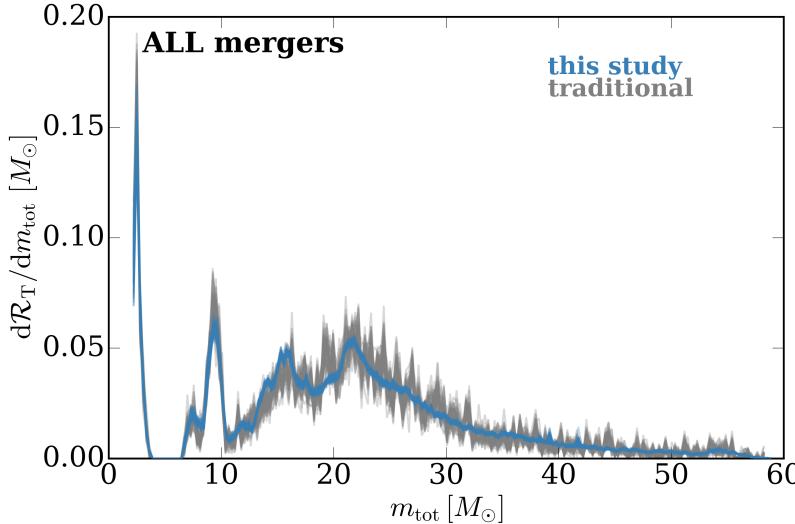






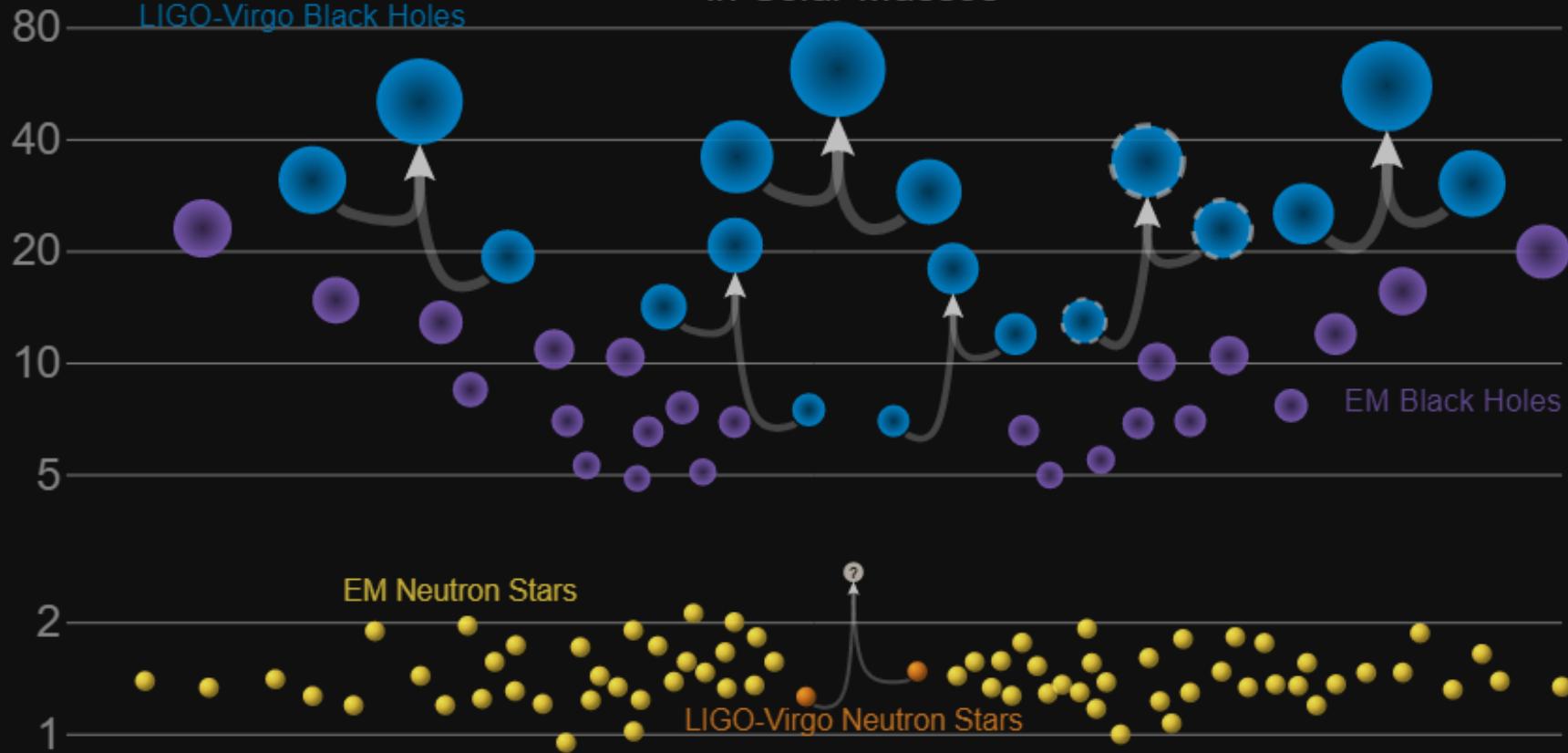






# Masses in the Stellar Graveyard

*in Solar Masses*



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## Populations:

