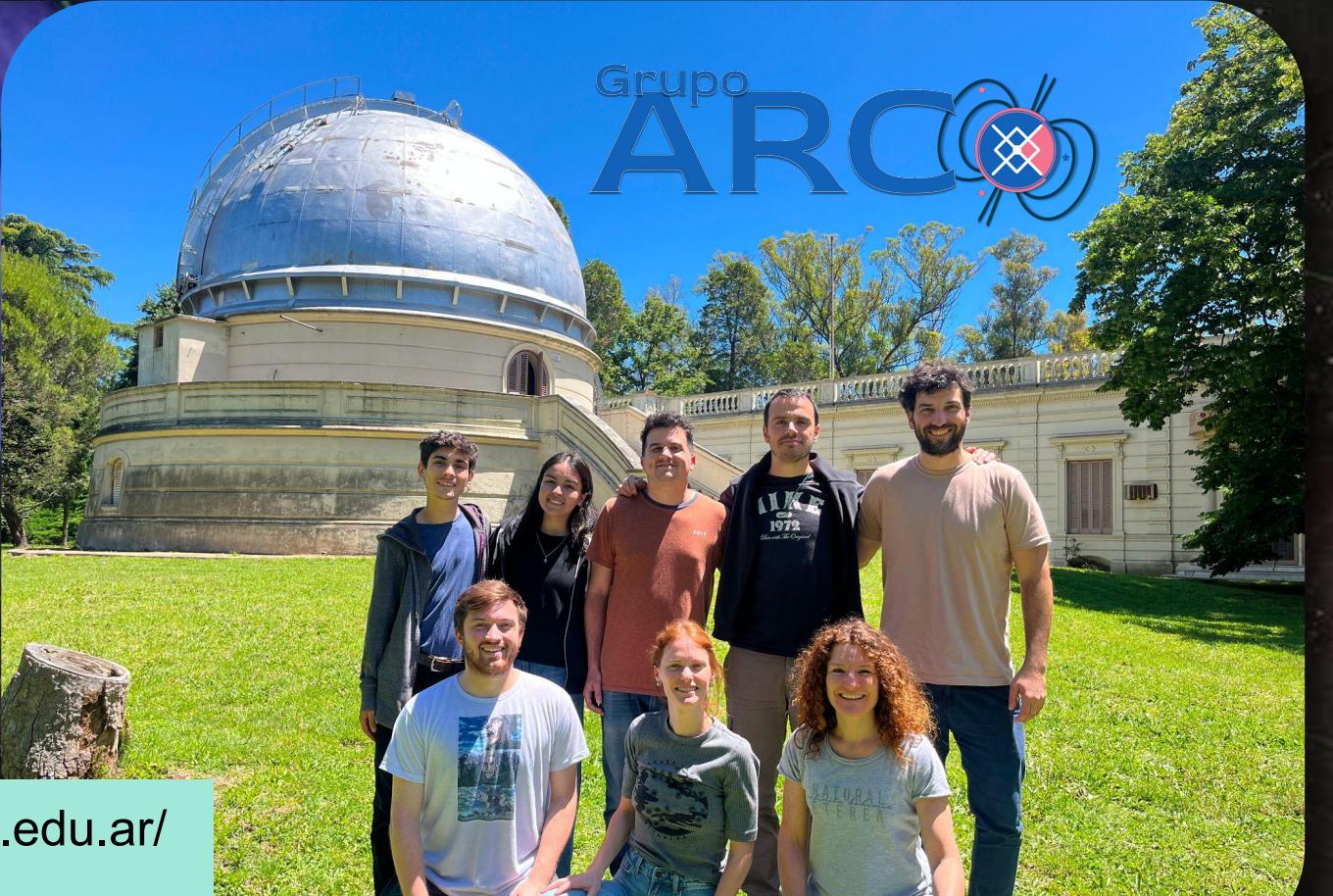


Neutron Stars

Lecture 1: Some generalities
(both theoretical and observational)



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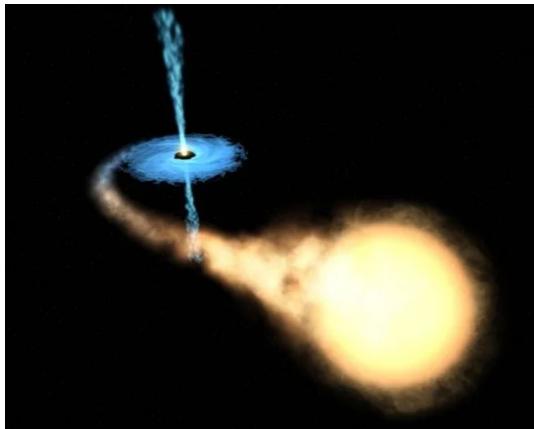
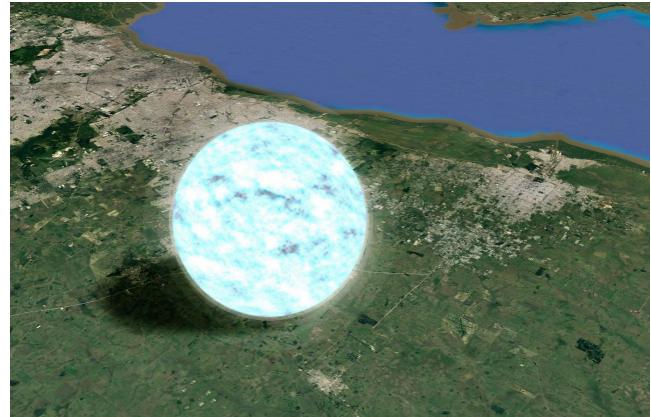
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$1.0M_{\text{Sun}}$
white dwarf



$1.3M_{\text{Sun}}$
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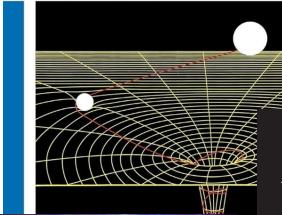
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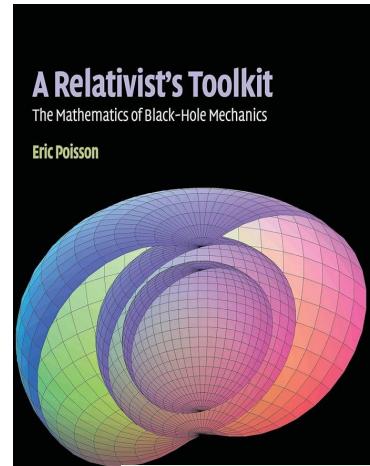
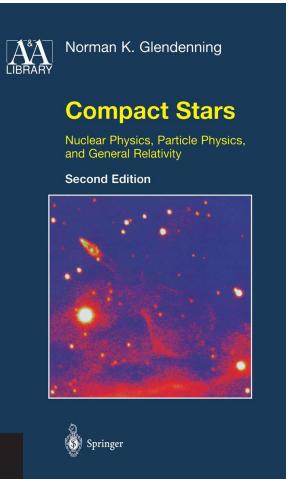
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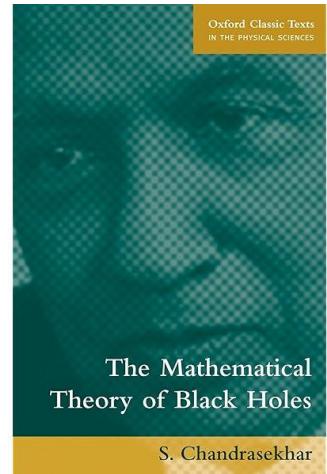
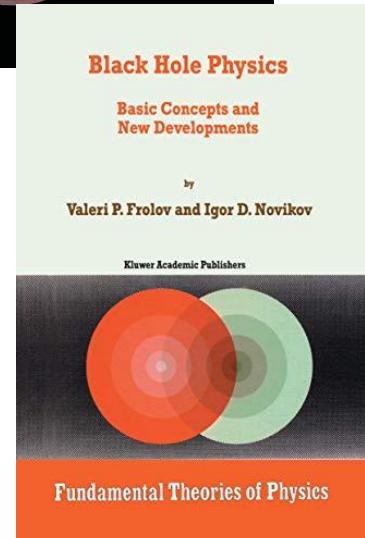
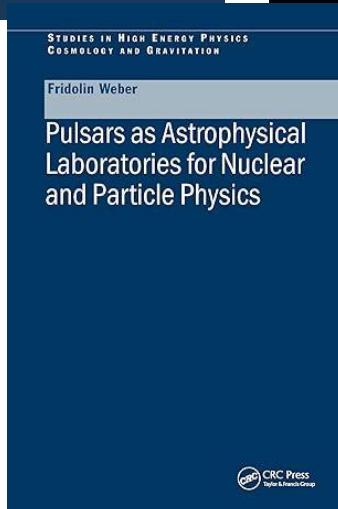
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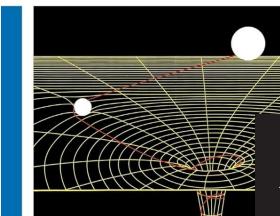
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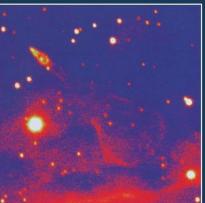
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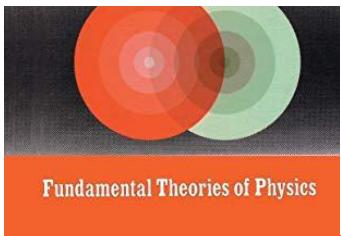
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Masses, Radii, and the Equation of State of Neutron Stars

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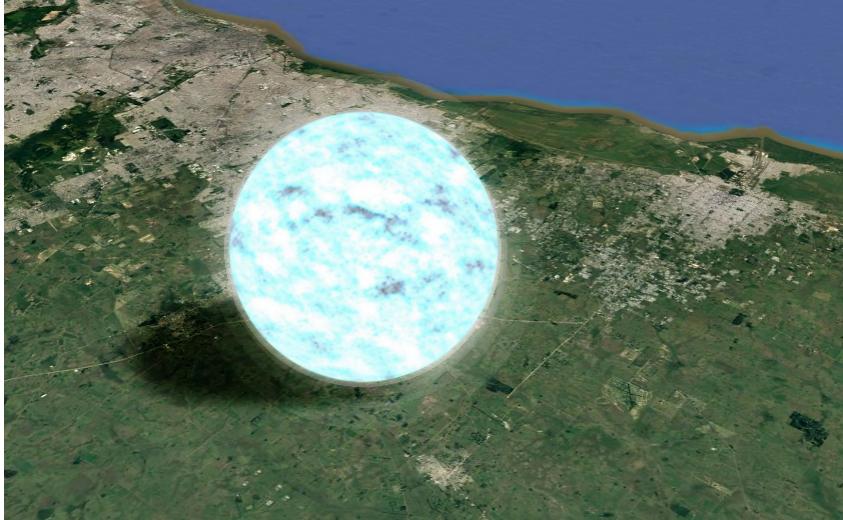
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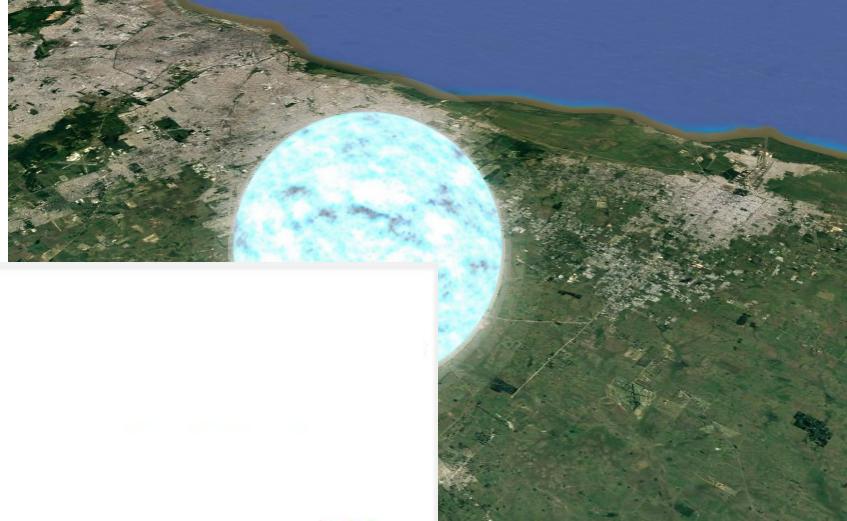
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Basic Neutron Star Characteristics

$$R := \frac{10\text{km} + 15\text{km}}{2}$$

$$M_{\text{Sun}} := 1.98892 \cdot 10^{30} \text{kg} \quad \text{Mass of the Sun in kg}$$

$$M_{\text{NeutronStar}} := \frac{1.44 + 2}{2} \cdot M_{\text{Sun}}$$

$$\rho := \frac{M_{\text{NeutronStar}}}{\frac{4}{3} \cdot \pi \cdot R^3} \quad \text{Density = Mass/Volume.}$$

$$\rho = 4.181 \times 10^{17} \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$\text{teaspoon} := 4.92892159 \cdot \text{mL}$$

$$\rho = 2.272 \times 10^9 \frac{\text{ton}}{\text{teaspoon}}$$

The density that I get is about 2 billion tons per teaspoon.

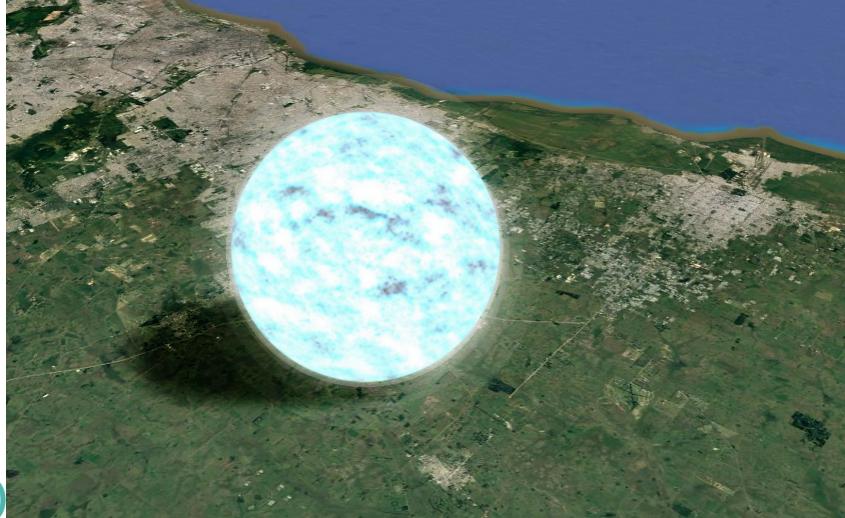
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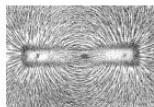


Largest continuous
field in lab. (USA)



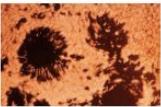
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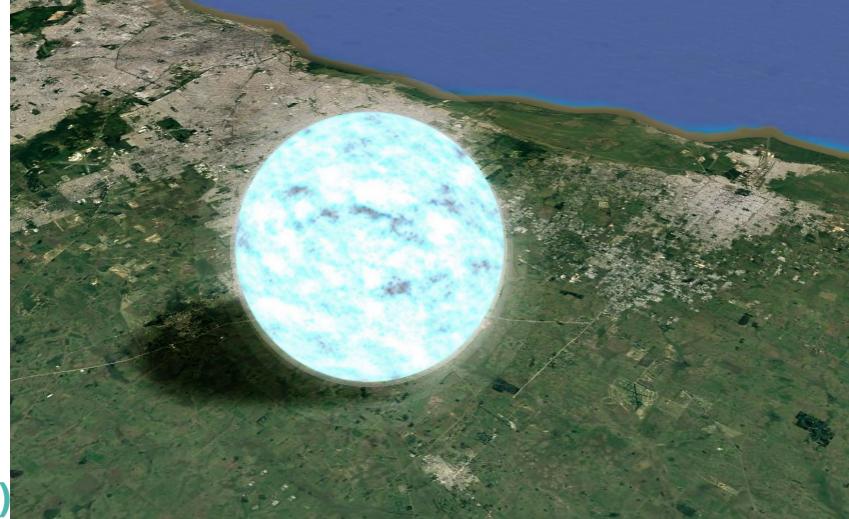
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In particle accelerators, during a collision extremely brief (10^{-23} seconds) magnetic fields of over 10^{18} G has been created in the Brookhaven National Laboratory



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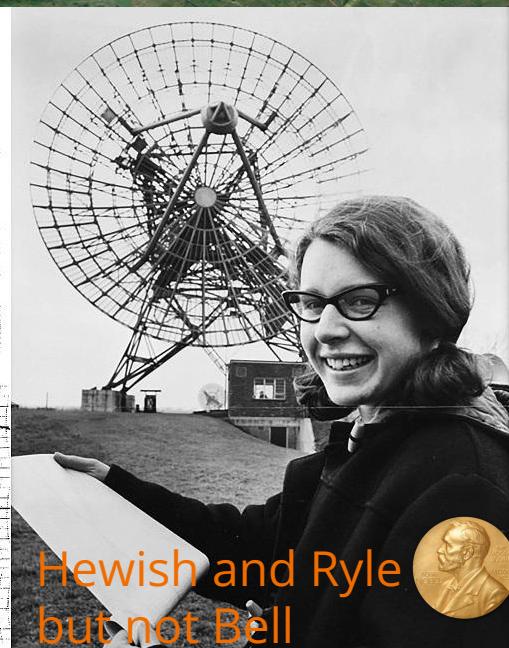
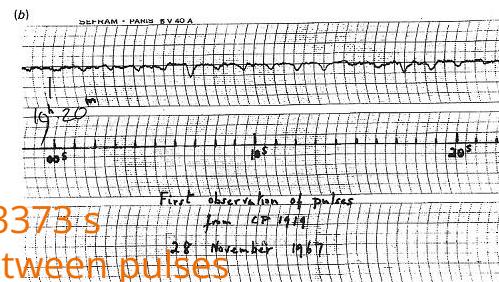
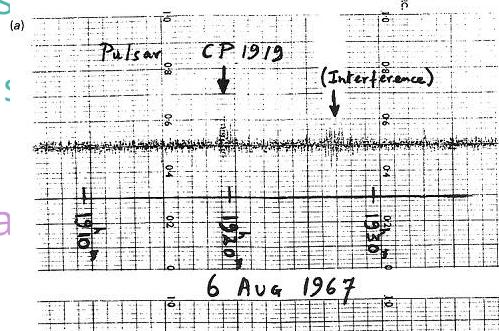
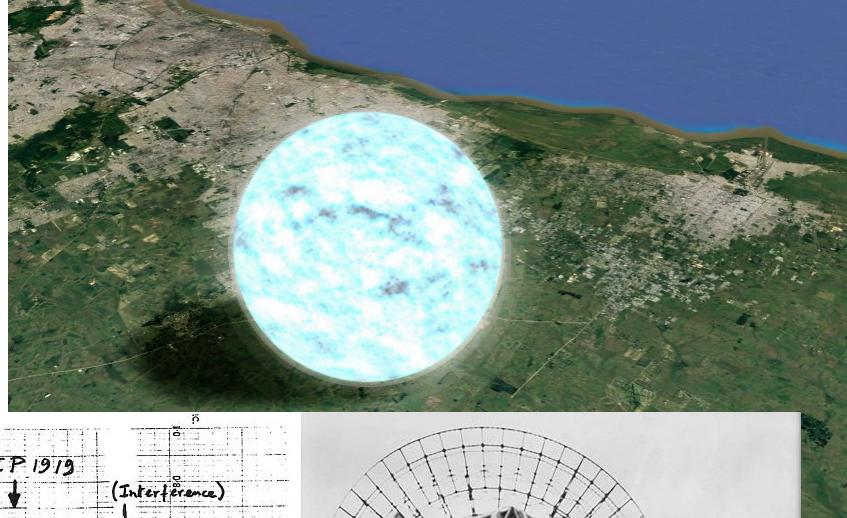
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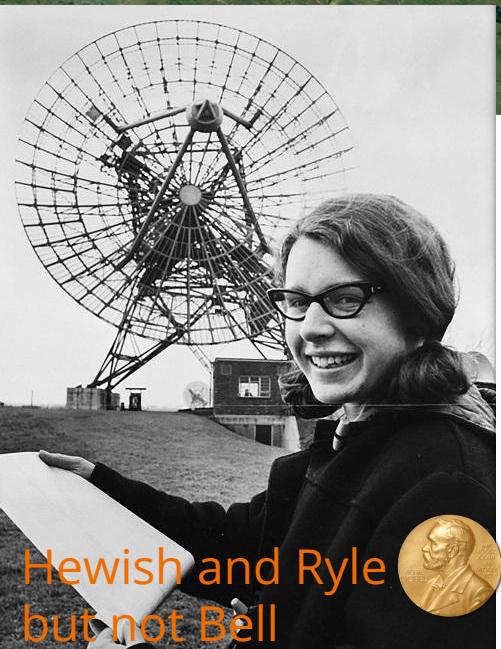
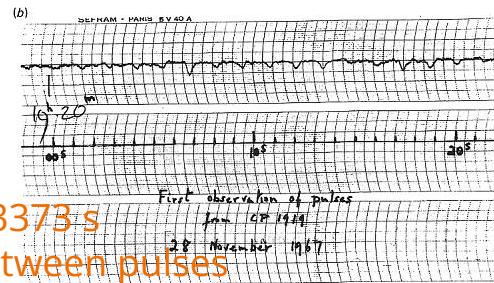
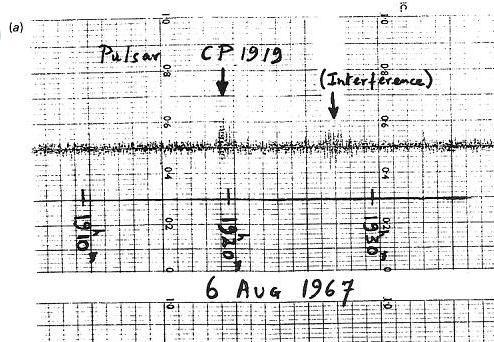
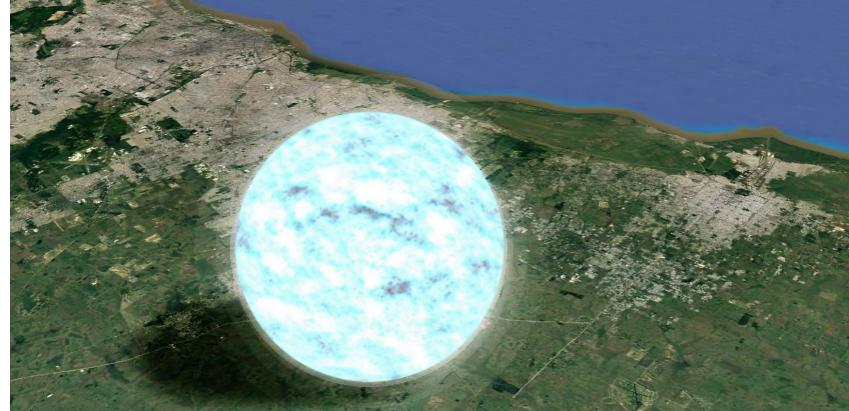
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Great to test GR in the strong field regime

(first indirect detection of GWs Taylor

Hulser pulsar)



Hewish and Ryle
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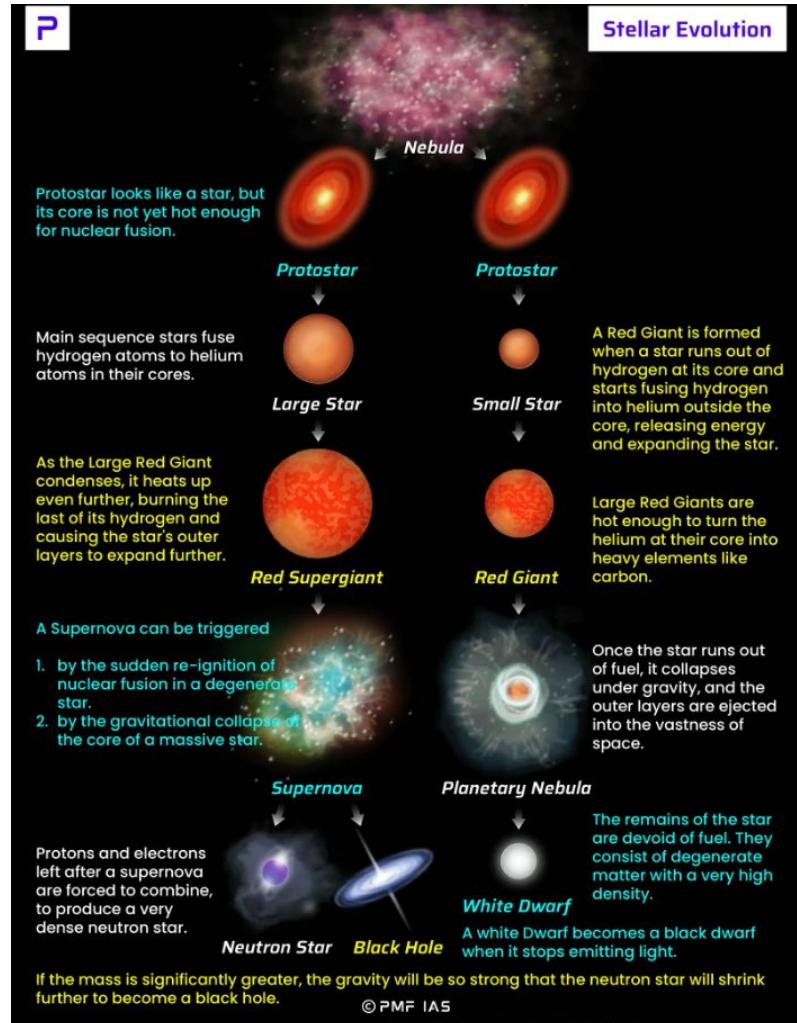
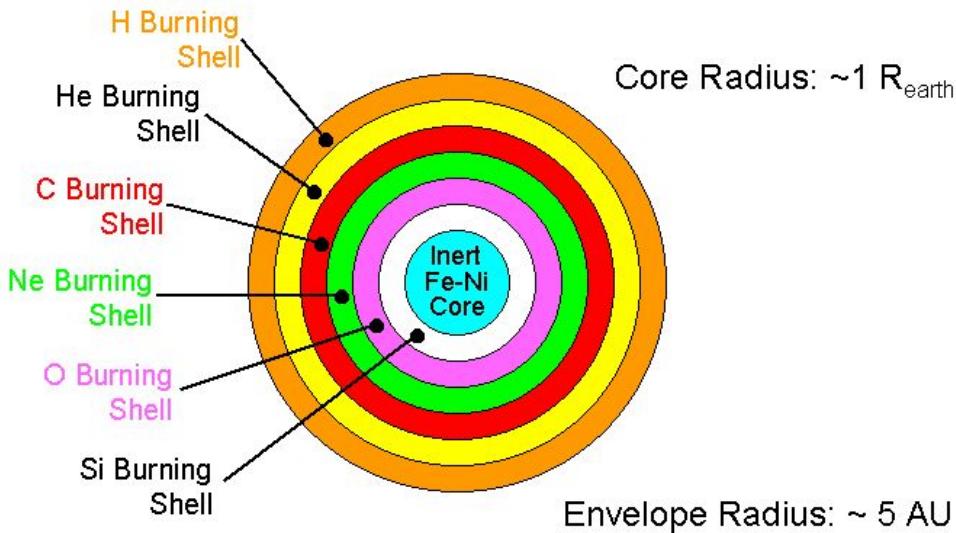


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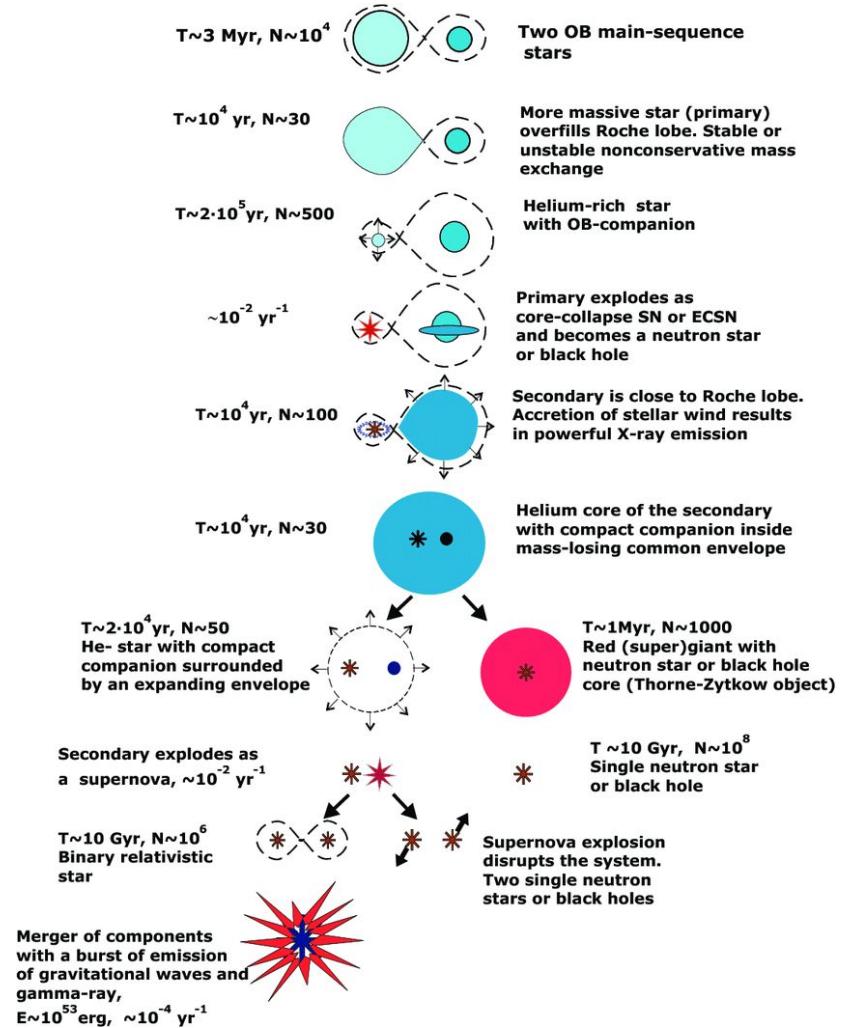
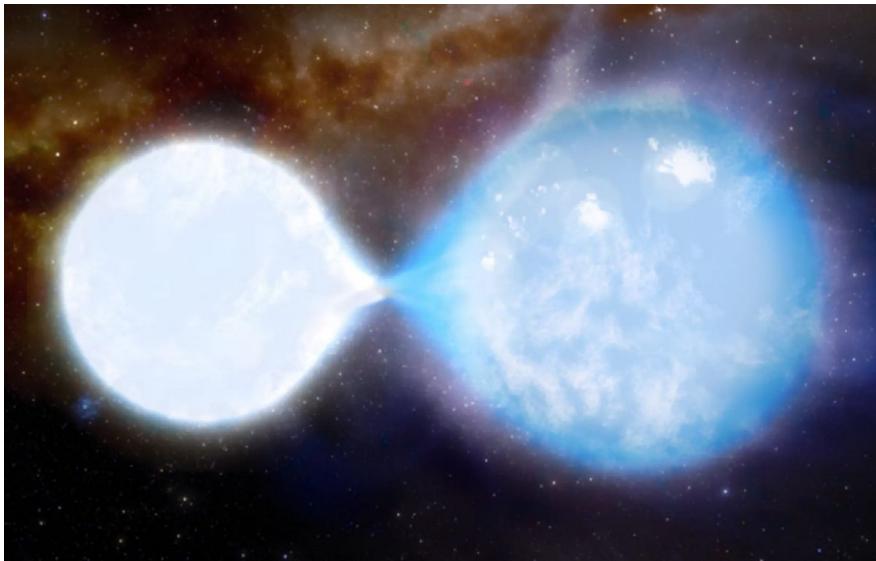
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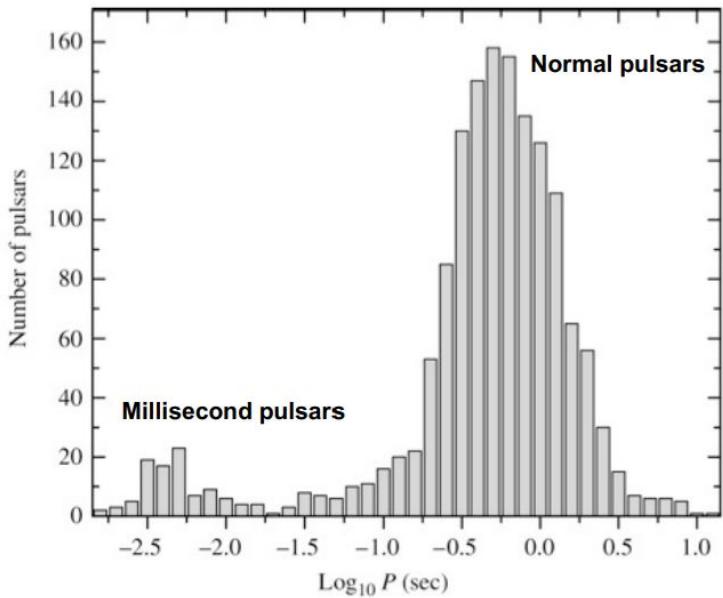
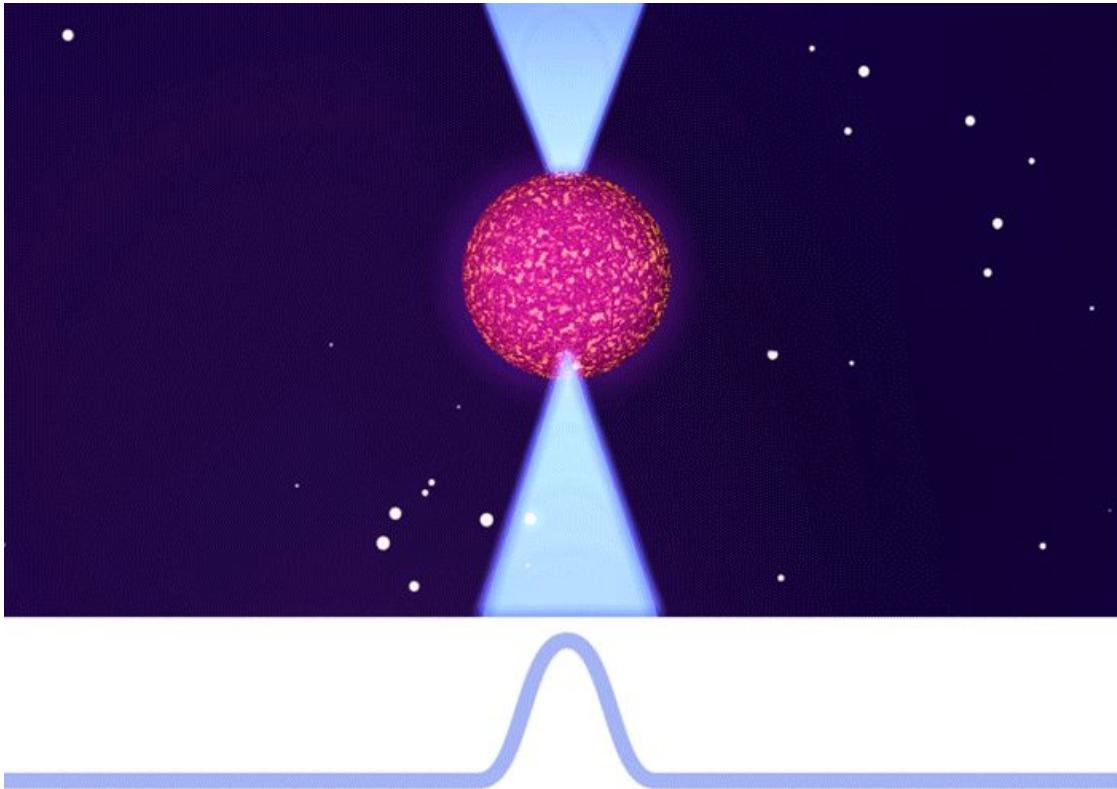


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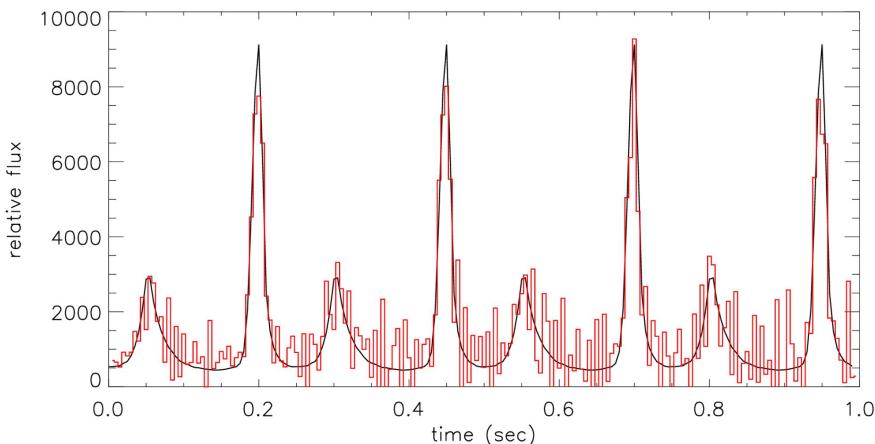
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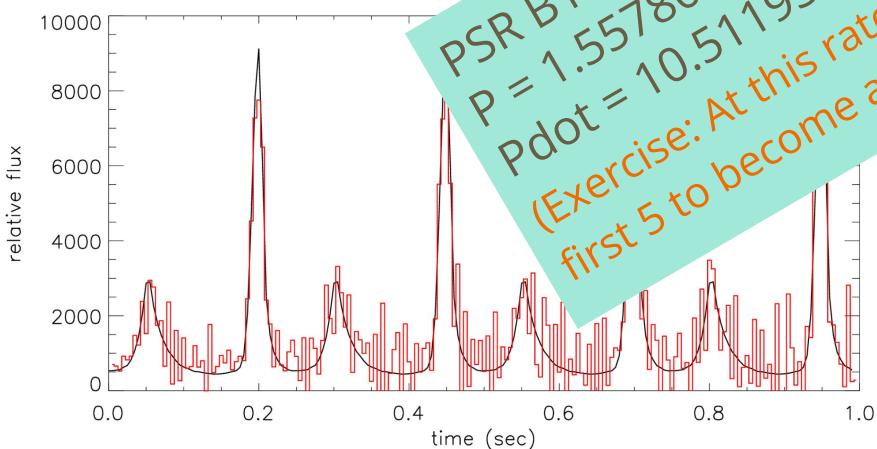
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 $P = 1.557806468819794(2)\text{ms}$
 $P\dot{d} = 10.51193(2) \cdot 10^{-20} \text{ s/s}$

(Exercise: At this rate, how long does it take for the first 5 to become a 6?)

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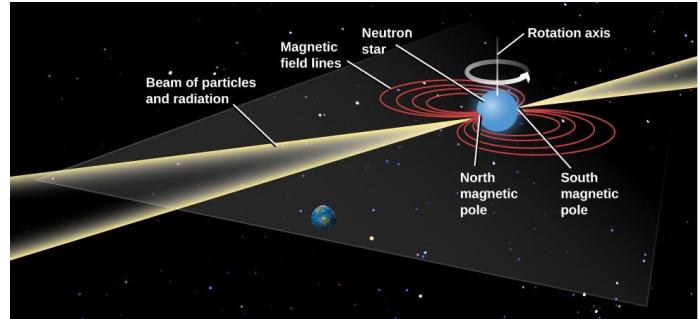
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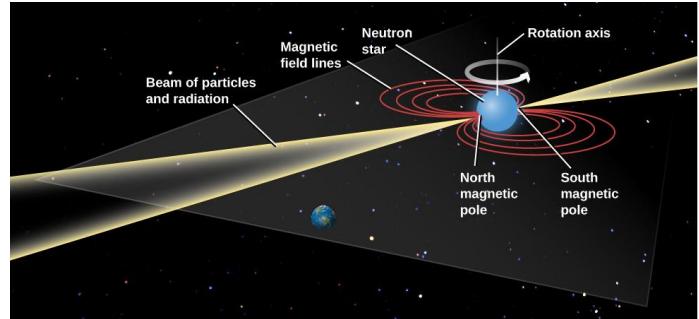
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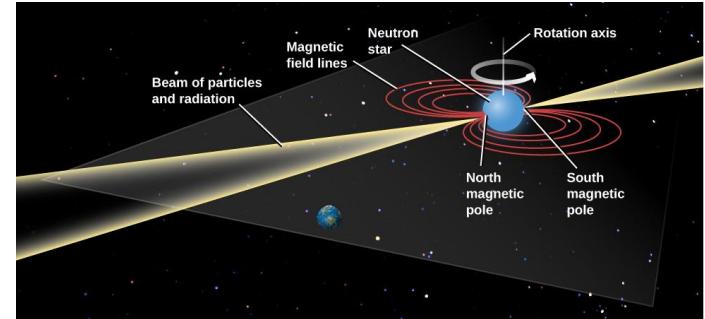
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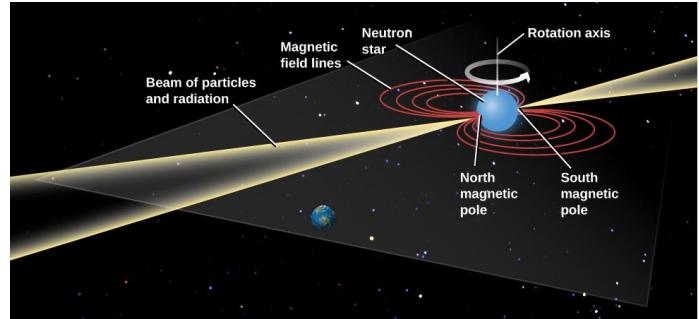


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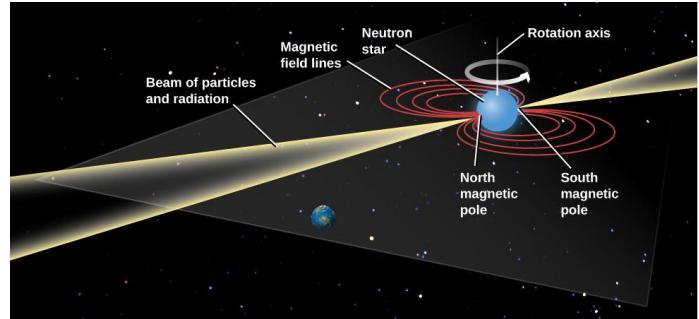
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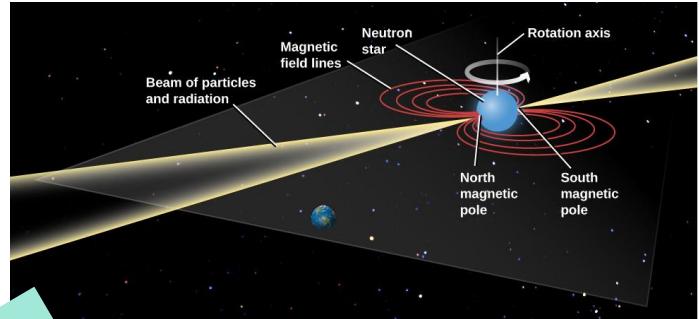
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Can anyone remember how to calculate the moment of inertia, I , of a sphere with uniform density?

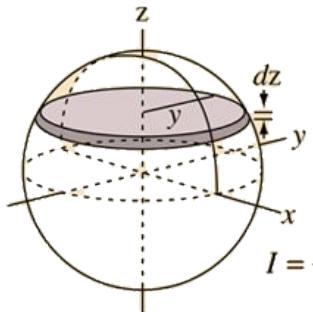
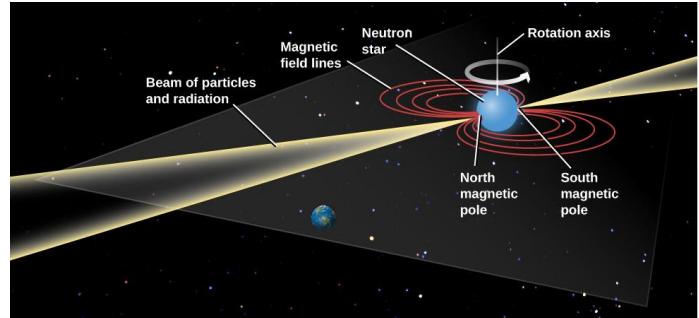


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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Radius} &= R \\ \text{Mass} &= M \\ \text{Density} &= \rho = \frac{M}{V} = \frac{M}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$dI = \frac{1}{2} y^2 dm = \frac{1}{2} y^2 \rho dV = \frac{1}{2} y^2 \rho \pi y^2 dz$$

and the integral becomes

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi \int_{-R}^{R} y^4 dz = \frac{1}{2} \rho \pi \int_{-R}^{R} (R^2 - z^2)^2 dz = \frac{8}{15} \rho \pi R^5$$

Substituting the density expression gives

$$I = \frac{8}{15} \left[\frac{M}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \right] \pi R^5 = \frac{2}{5} MR^2$$

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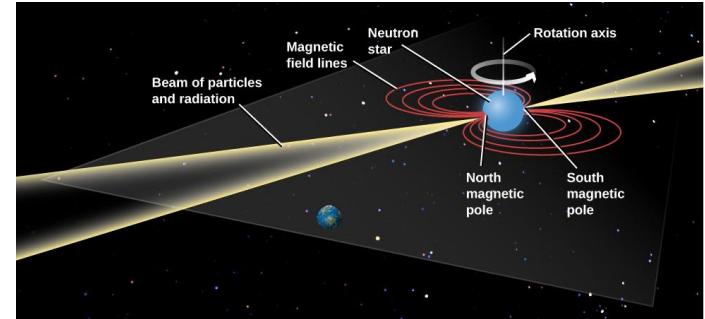
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Exercise: Obtain the energy loss-rate for the Crab pulsar that rotates with a period of 0.033 s, that changes with time at a rate of $10^{-12.4}$ s/s. Assume that it has a moment of inertia of 10^{45} g cm².

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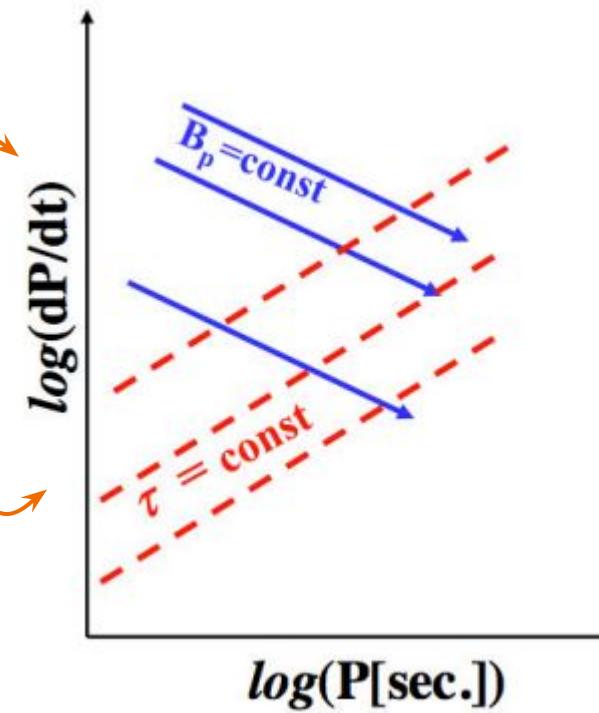
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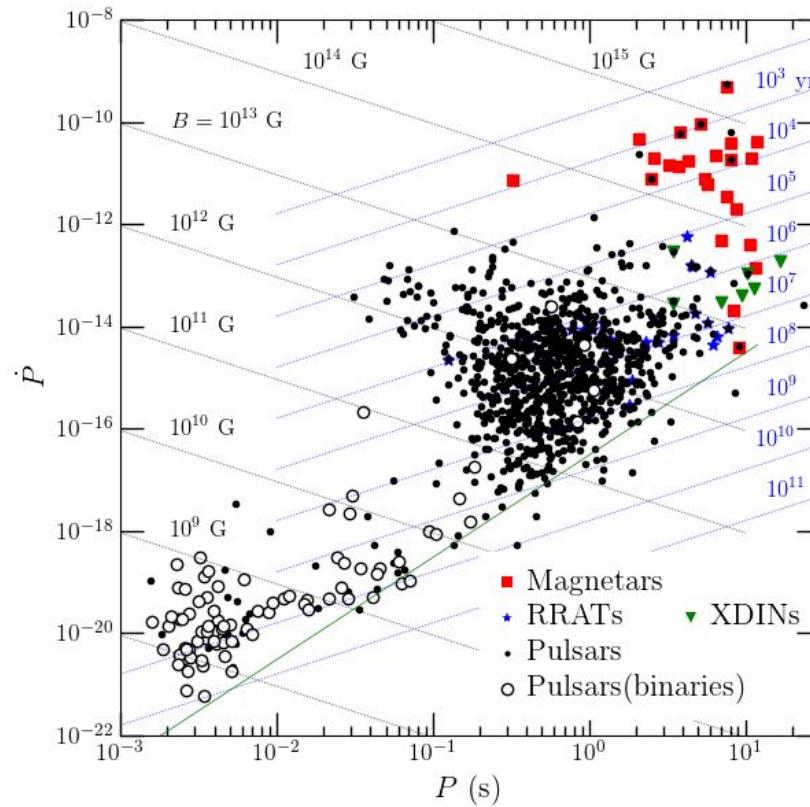
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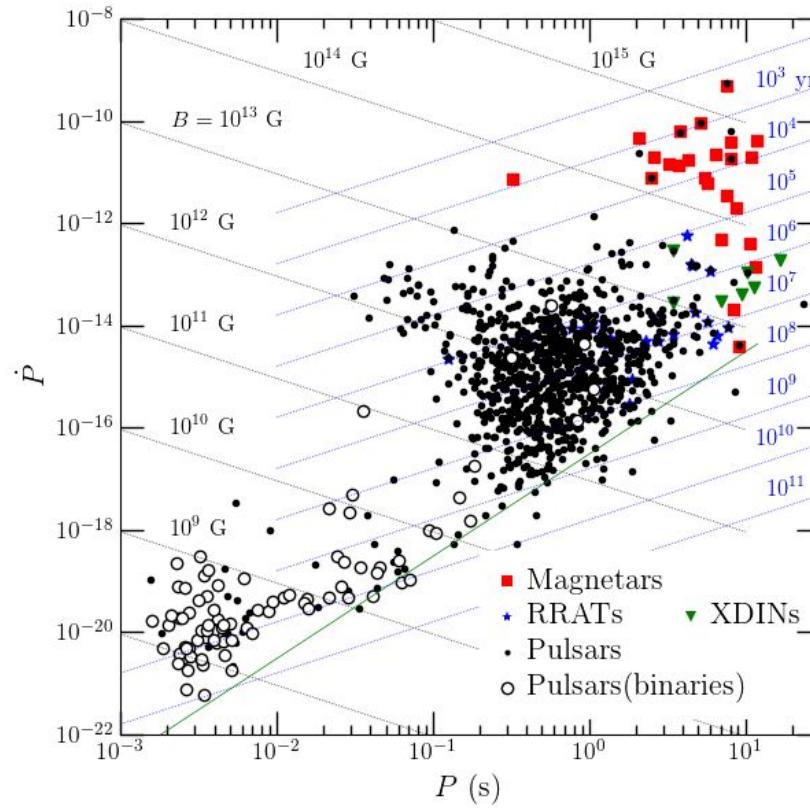
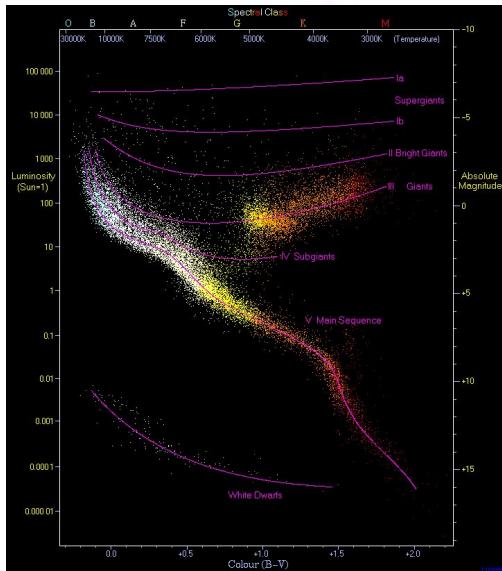
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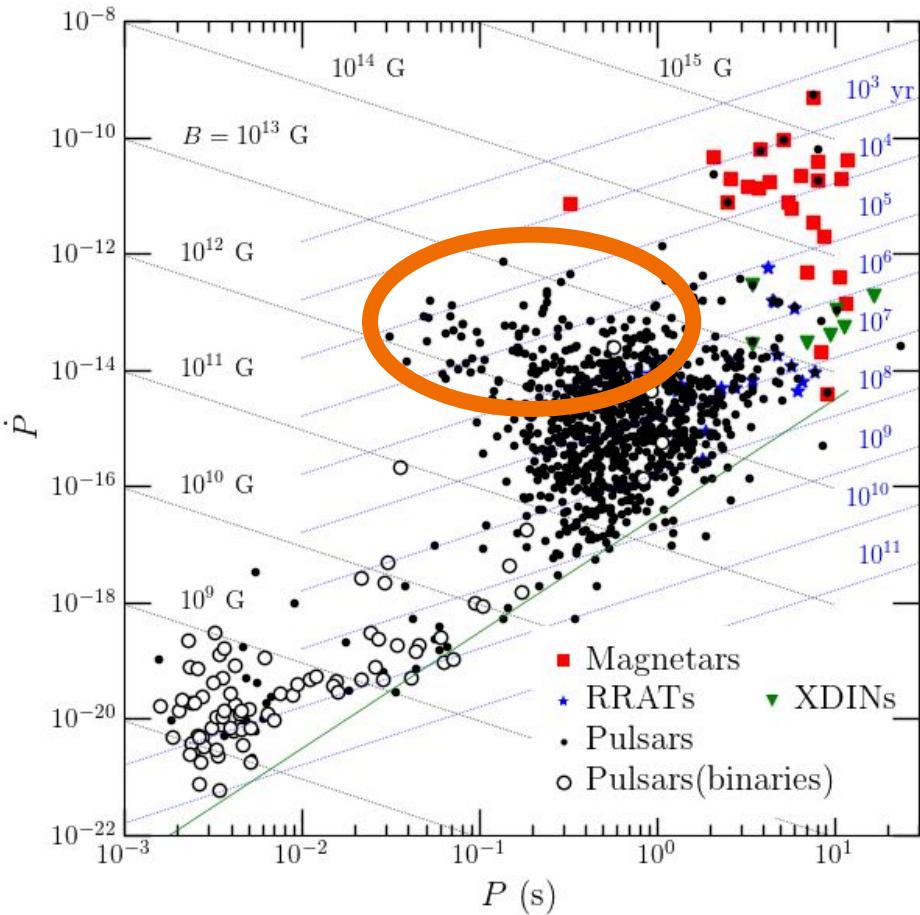
Kind of a HR diagram



Pulsars flavors and evolution

Young PSR

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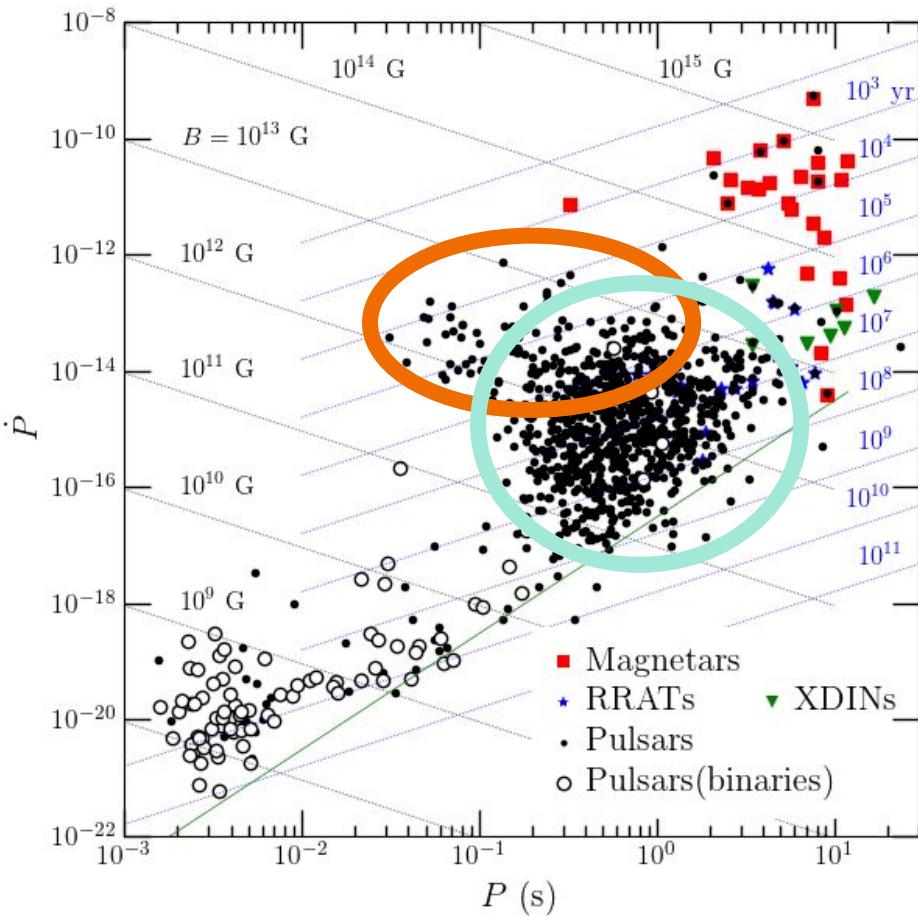
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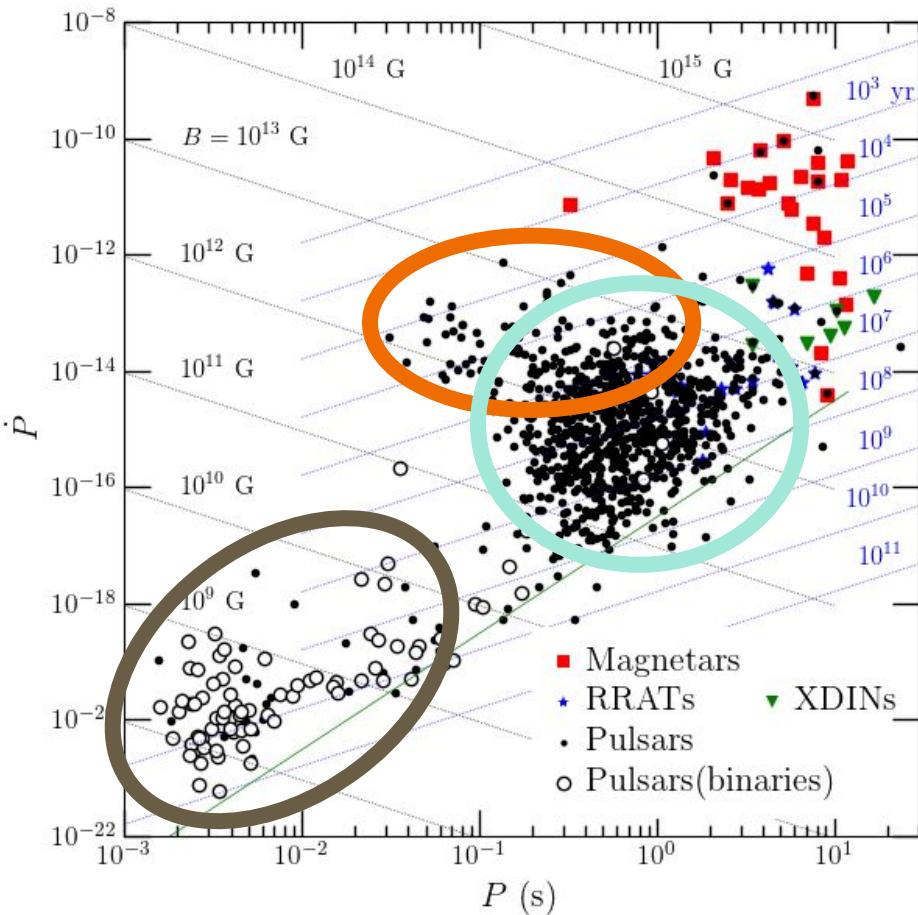
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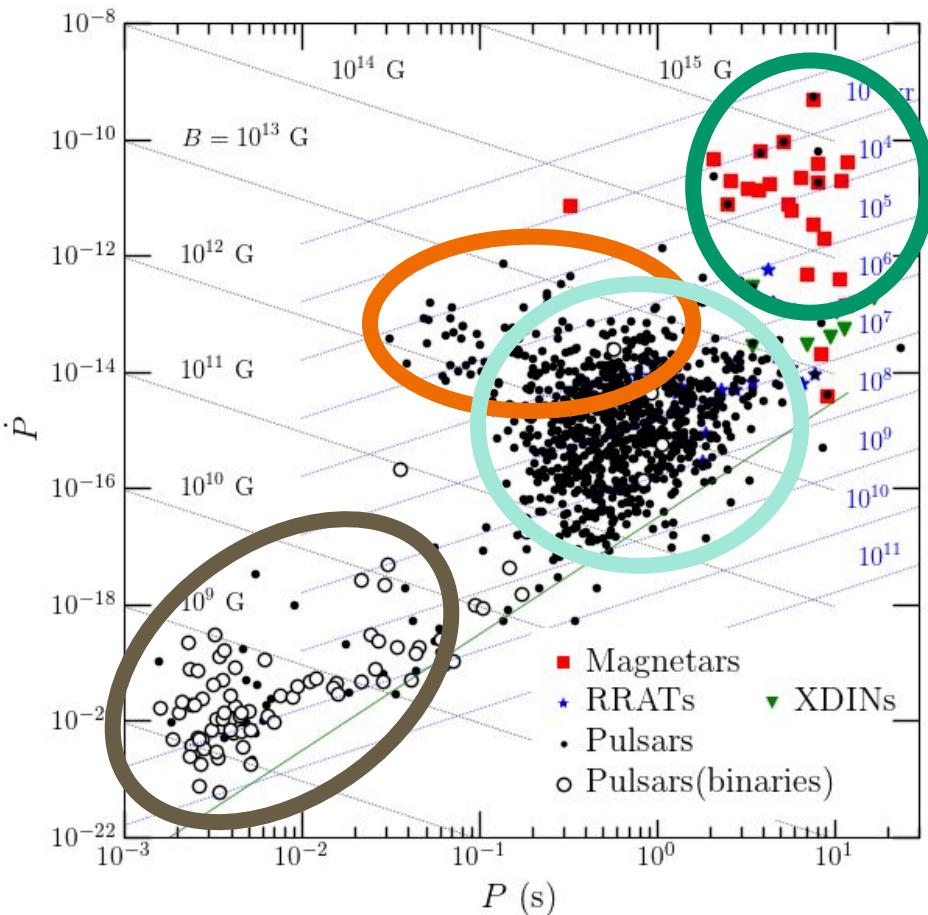
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Magnetars

(extreme B, slow, not powered by rotation!)



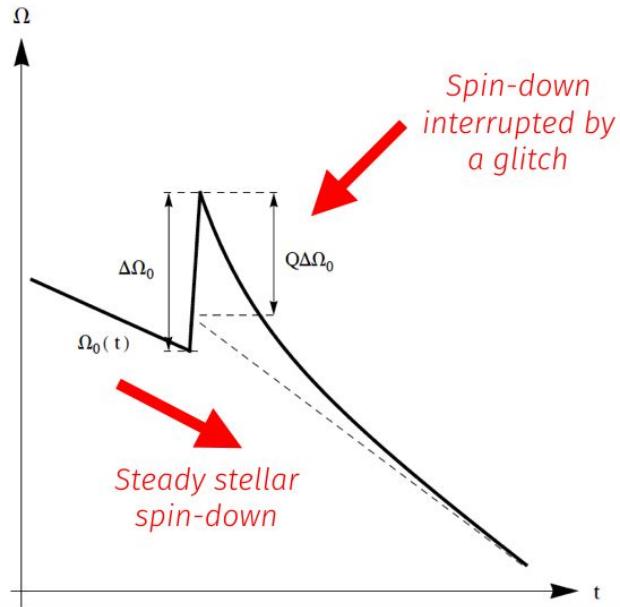
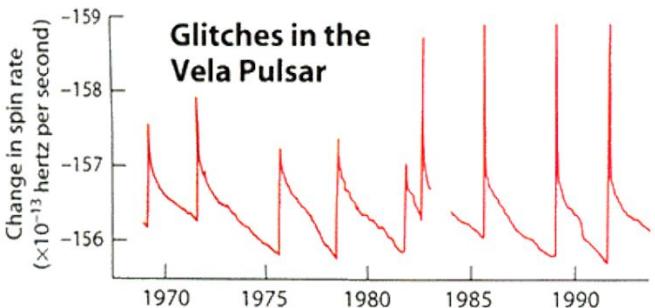
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Timing irregularities

Glitches (spin-up events)

719 events in 239 pulsars ~6% of known pulsars

(Zhou et al., 2022)



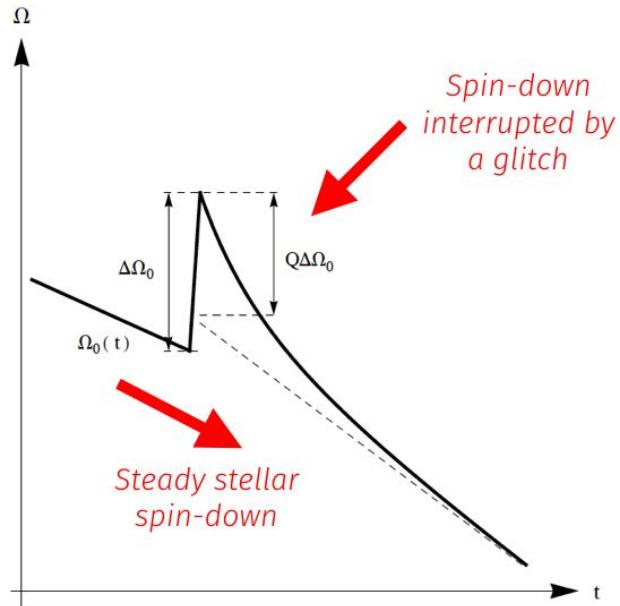
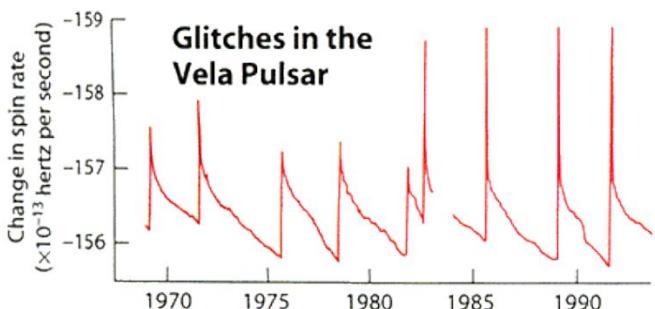
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Explanation?

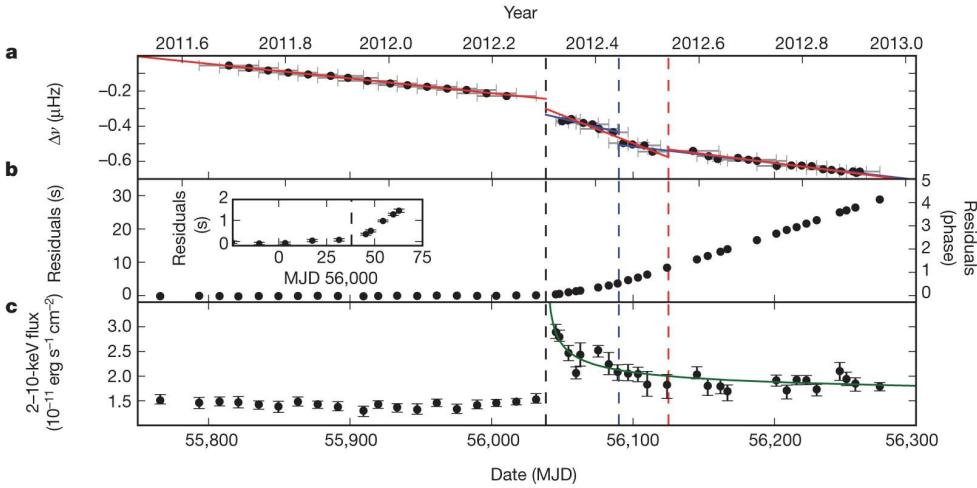
Mainstream idea:
Angular momentum transferred to the crust from superfluid core (Andersson & Itoh, 1975)

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Anti-glitches (spin-down events)

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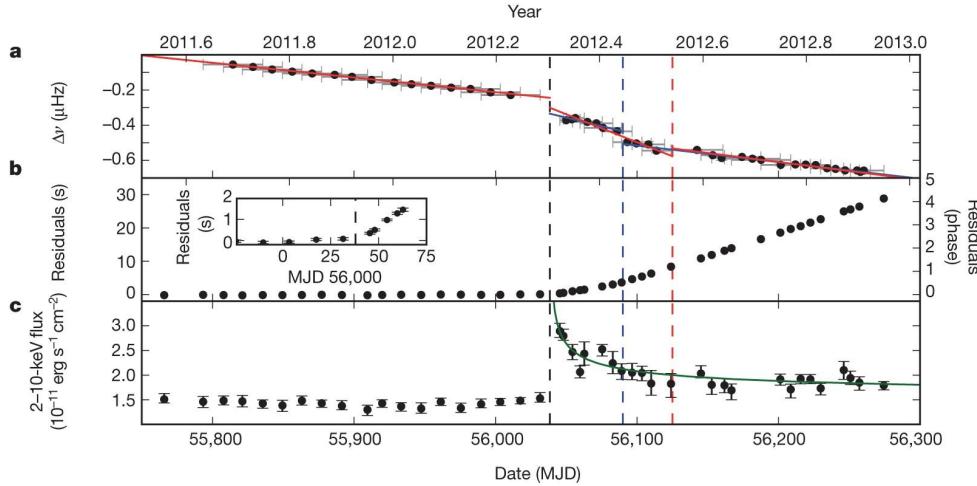
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Explanation?

Wind braking model (Tong, ApJ 2014)

Starquake after cumulative magnetic field decay (Garcia & Ranea-Sandoval, MNRASL 2015)
Collision with an object (Huang & Geng, ApJL 2014)



No mainstream idea but we have to rethink the mechanism behind
glitching activity

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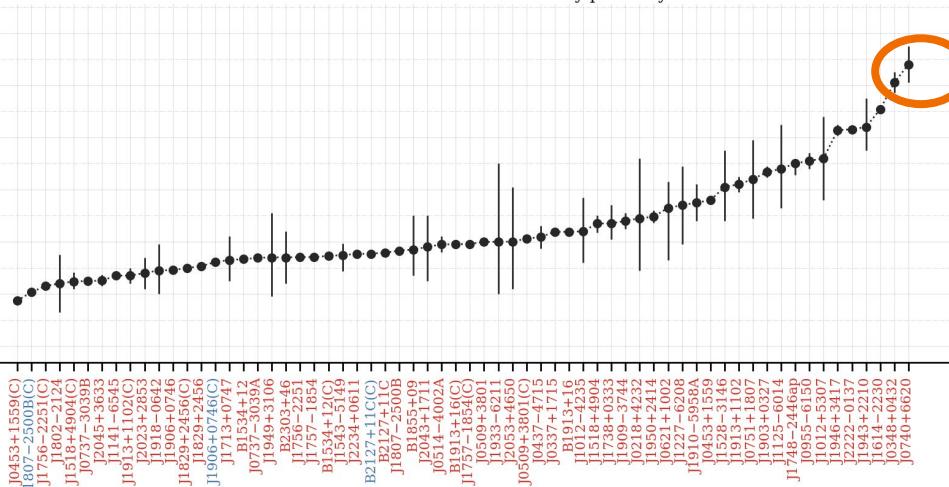
This is a **major problem** in astronomy
(not only related to compact objects)

This information (we will see later) is of **central relevance**
to learn about the behavior of matter in the inner depths
of these fascinating objects



How do we know their masses?

Mass distribution of neutron stars in binary pulsar systems



2 Solar mass NSs!!

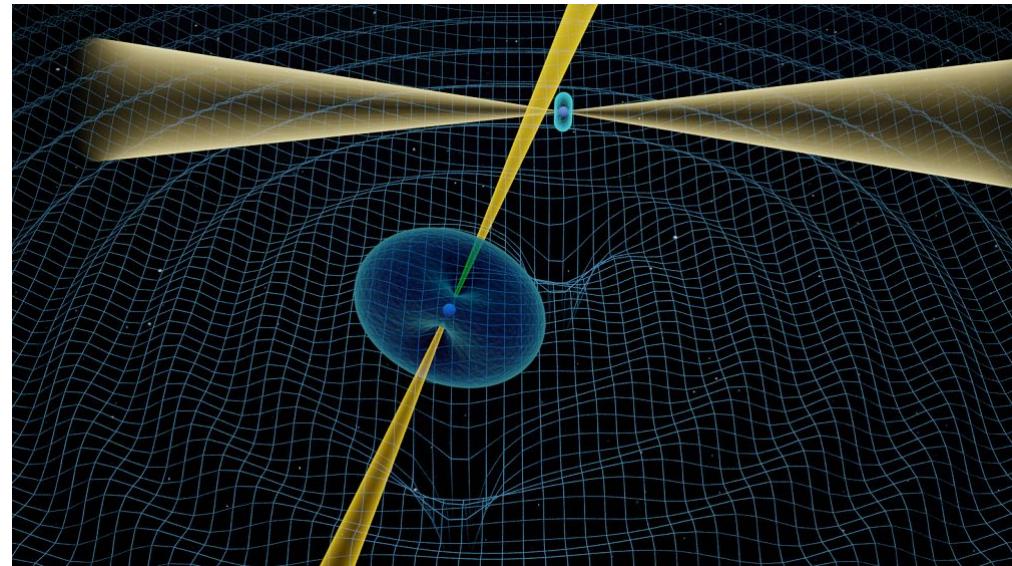
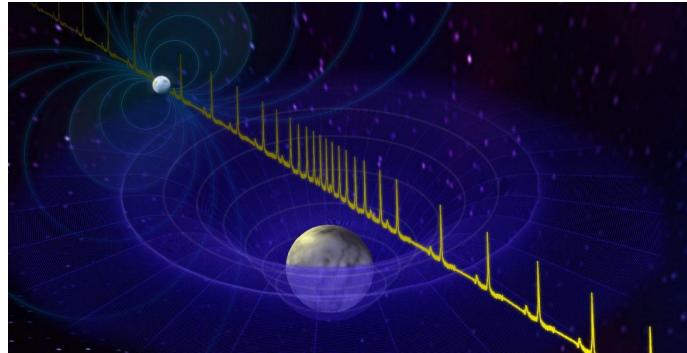


How do we know their masses and radii?

Electromagnetic + General Relativistic effects

Binary Systems of

NS + NS and NS + WD

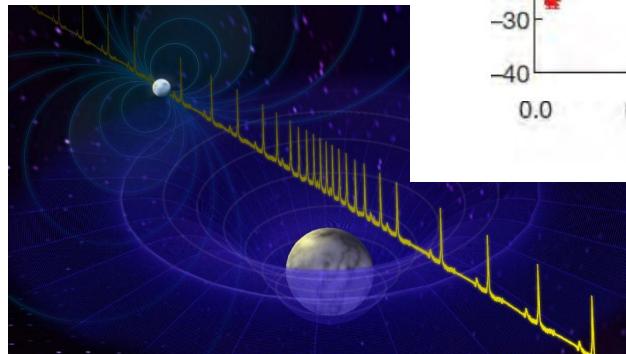


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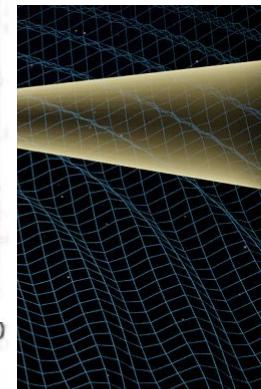
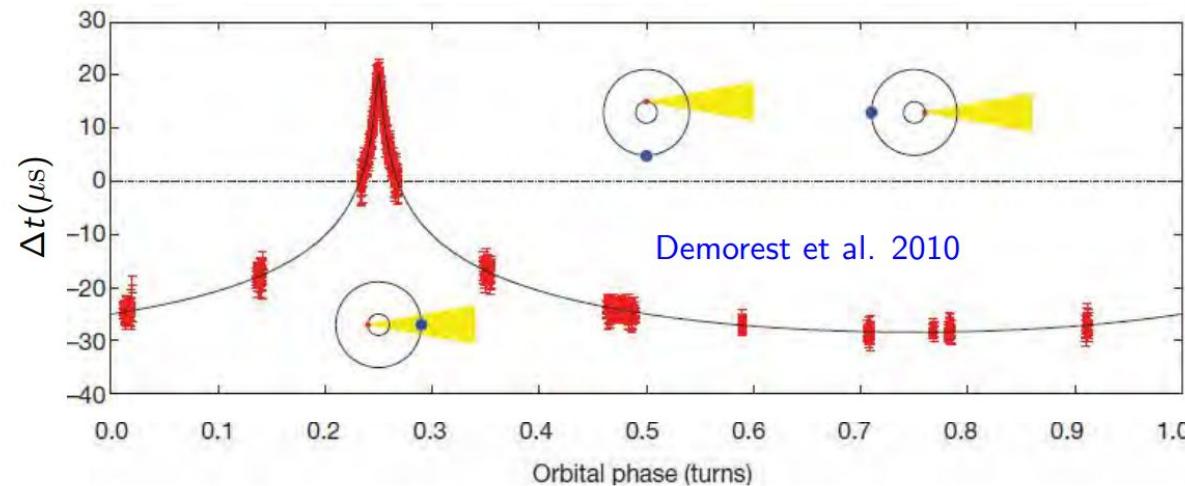
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2 Solar mass pulsars



PSR J1614-2230

3.15 ms pulsar orbit half Solar mass WD in 8.69 days

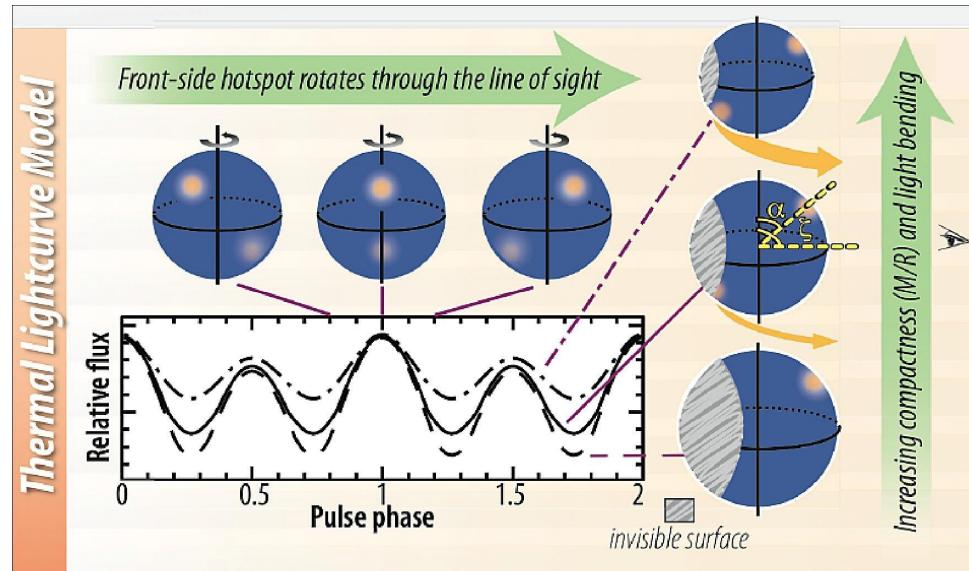
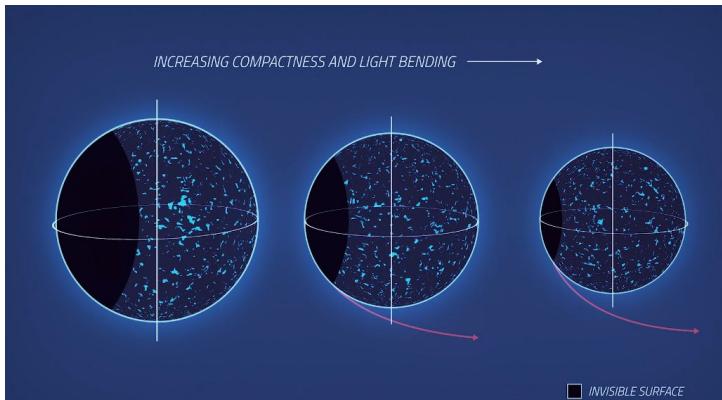
Orbit is highly edge-on $\sin i = 0.99984$

Using Shapiro delay mass can be estimated

How do we know their masses and radii?

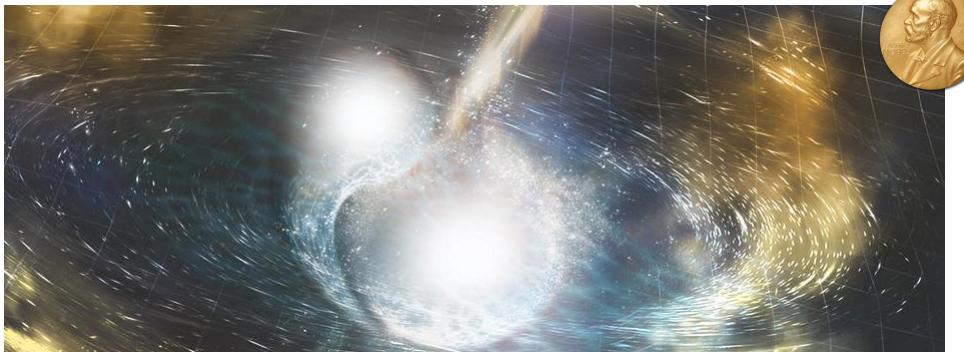
NICER Telescope

Mass and Radii of ISOLATED NSs!!

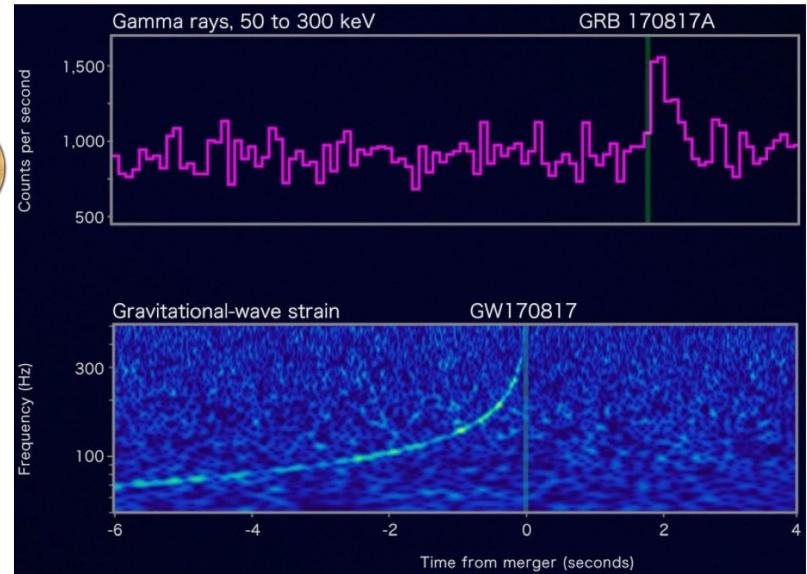


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Gravitational waves from NS + NS mergers

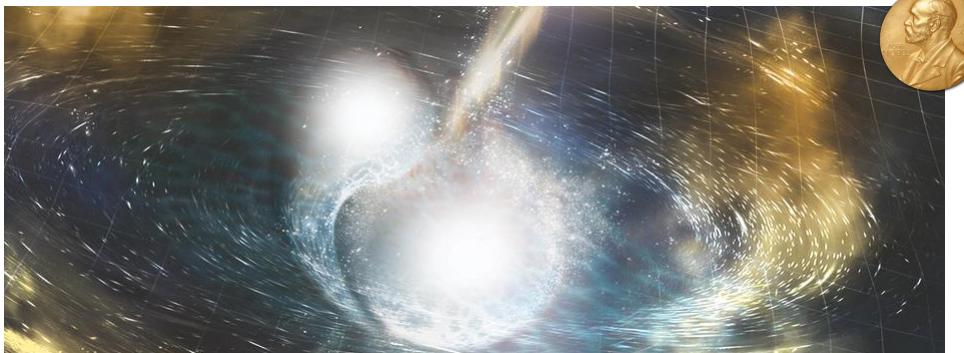


Mass, radius and dimensionless tidal
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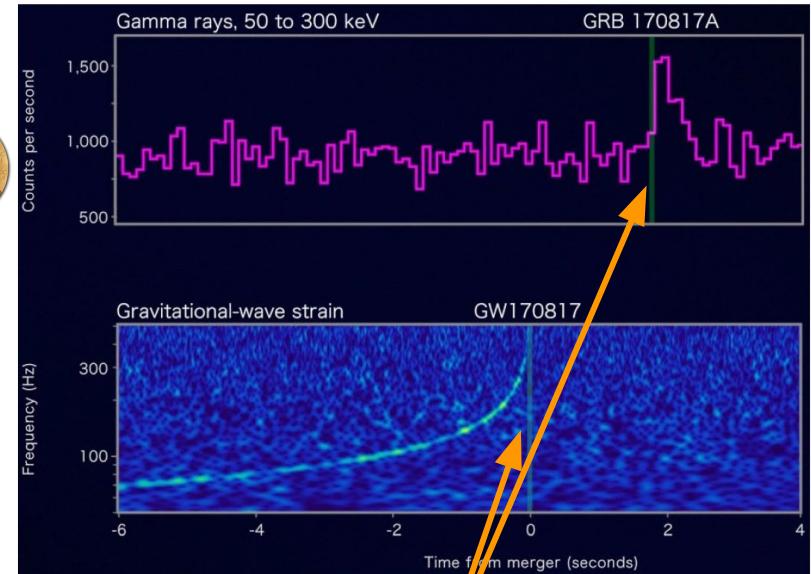


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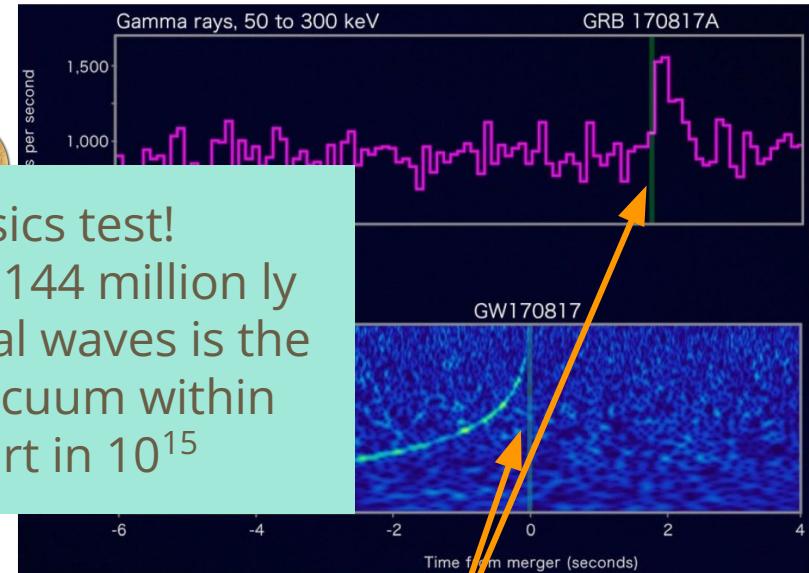
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Fundamental physics test!
progenitor is located at 144 million ly
the speed of gravitational waves is the
same that of light in vacuum within
approximately 1 part in 10^{15}

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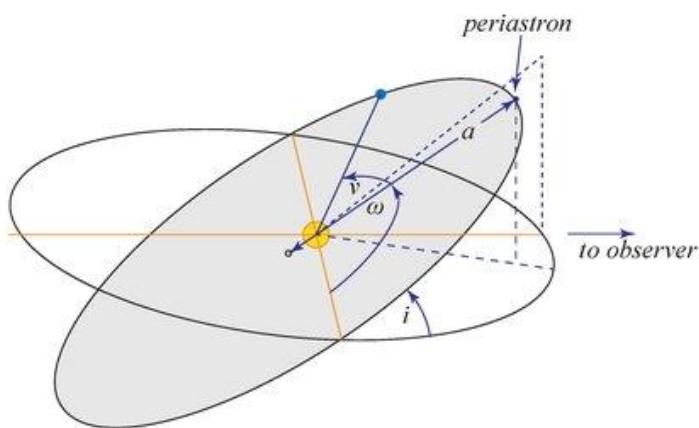


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How do we know their masses and radii?

A more detailed explanation

The Keplerian parameters



- (1) the binary period P_b
- (2) the orbital eccentricity e
- (3) the projection of the pulsar's semimajor axis a_{psr} onto the observer's line of sight $x_{\text{psr}} = a_{\text{psr}} \sin(i)/c$ (i angle between the orbital angular momentum and the line of sight)
- (4) the time of periastron T_0
- (5) the longitude of periastron ω

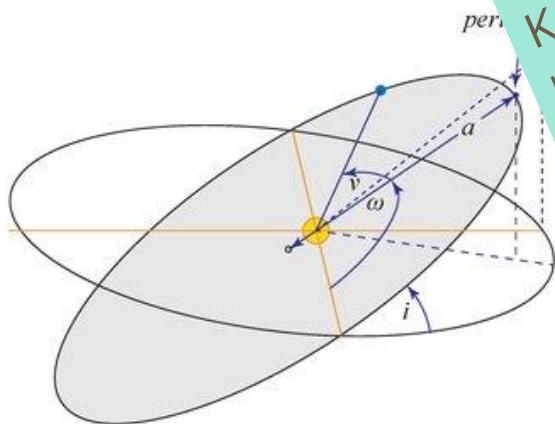
$$f = \frac{(M_c \sin i)^3}{M_T^2} = \frac{4\pi^2}{T_\odot} \frac{x_{\text{psr}}^3}{P_b^2}$$

Annotations for the equation:

- A purple arrow points from the term $(M_c \sin i)^3$ to the text $GM_\odot/c^3 \sim 4.92 \text{ microsec}$.
- A purple arrow points from the term x_{psr}^3 to the text "mass of the companion".
- An orange arrow points from the term P_b^2 to the text "total mass of the system".

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A more detailed explanation



The Keplerian parameters
(1) the orbital period P_b
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Despite the fact that the Keplerian parameters can be measured with high precision we have 3 unknowns and 1 equation
(3) the longitude of periastron ω

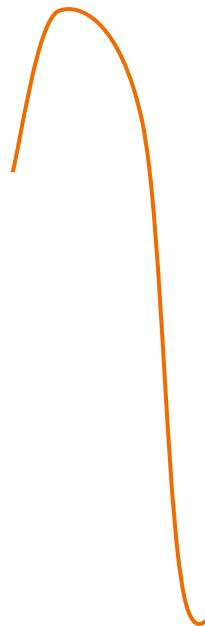
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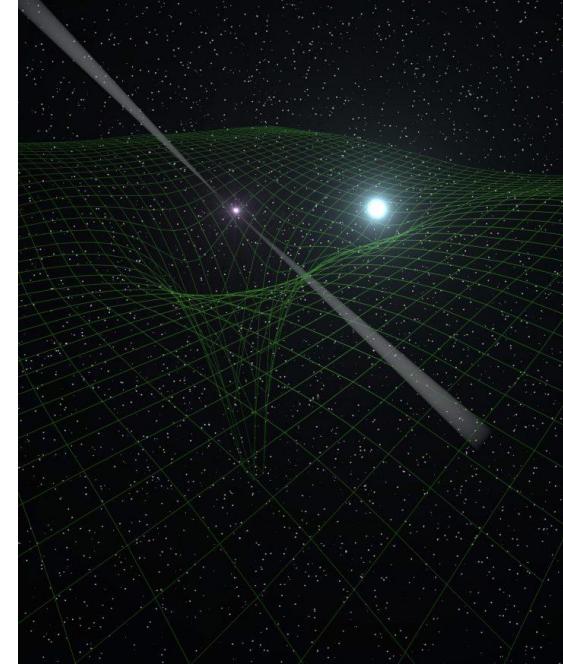
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If the companion (c) is also a **pulsar** or it is a **white dwarf** or a **main sequence star**, one could know both orbits

through timing
via optical spectroscopy



Not easy and is done in a small quantity of binary systems.



How do we know their masses and radii?

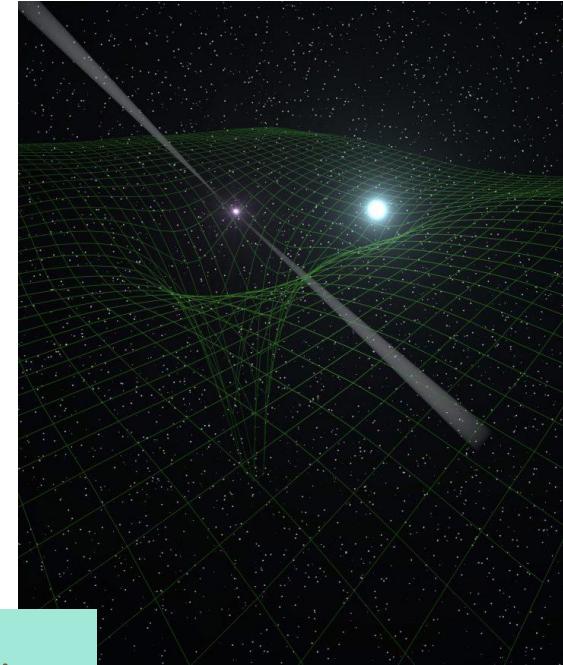
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If in addition the mass of the white dwarf companion can be estimated from its optical spectrum, the mass of the pulsar can be obtained!



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Post-Keplerian parameters

In the relativistic environment of close binaries, (small) relativistic effects can be observed in the dynamics of the orbital motion

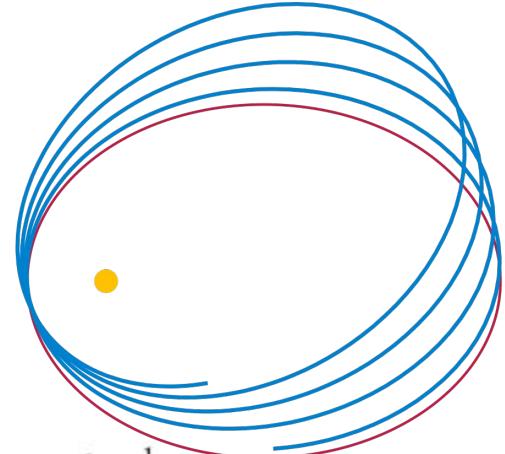
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Post-Keplerian parameters

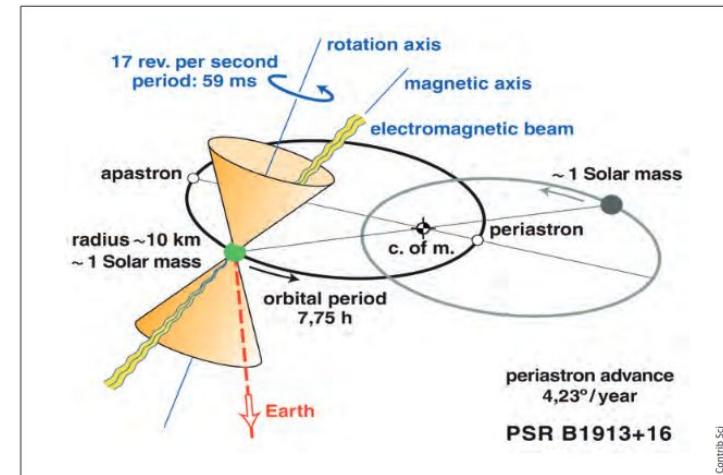
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Rate of advance of periastron:

For PSR 1913+16 $\Rightarrow \dot{\omega} = 4.2 \text{ deg/year}$ (10^5 larger than for mercury).

For PSR J0737-3039 $\Rightarrow \dot{\omega} = 16.88 \text{ deg/year}$

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In the relativistic environment of close binaries, (small) relativistic effects can be observed in the dynamics of the orbital motion

Einstein delay comes from considering gravitational redshift and time dilation in an eccentric orbit

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Orbital decay due to energy loss from gravitational wave emission

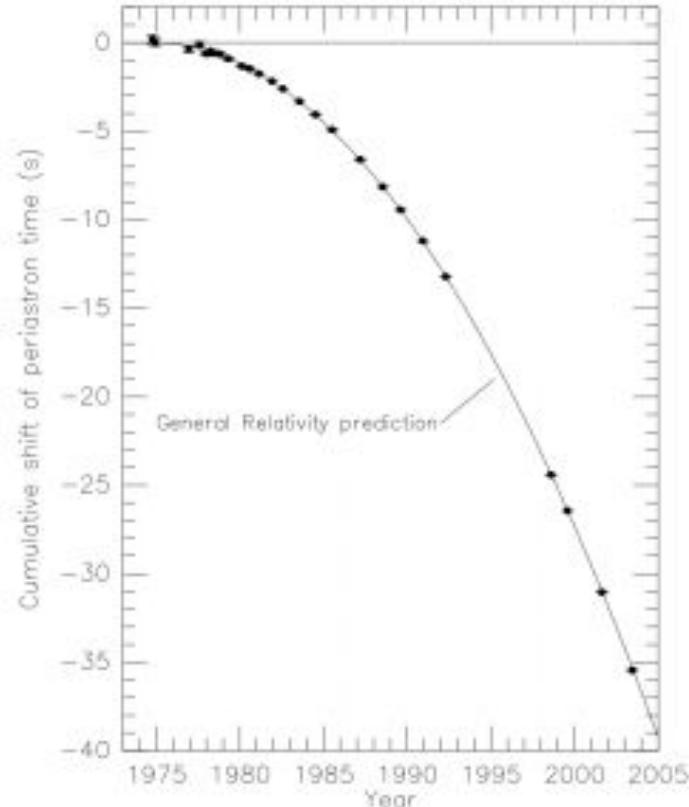
Indirect measurement of gravitational waves!

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Hulse and Taylor discovered first pulsar in a binary system in 1975.

Taylor and Weisberg (1982) presented strong evidence of gravitational waves carrying away energy and producing an increase in the period just as the one predicted by General Relativity.

NSs testing fundamental physics



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$$\Delta t = -2M_c T_{\odot} \ln[1 - \sin i \sin(\Phi - \Phi_0)]$$

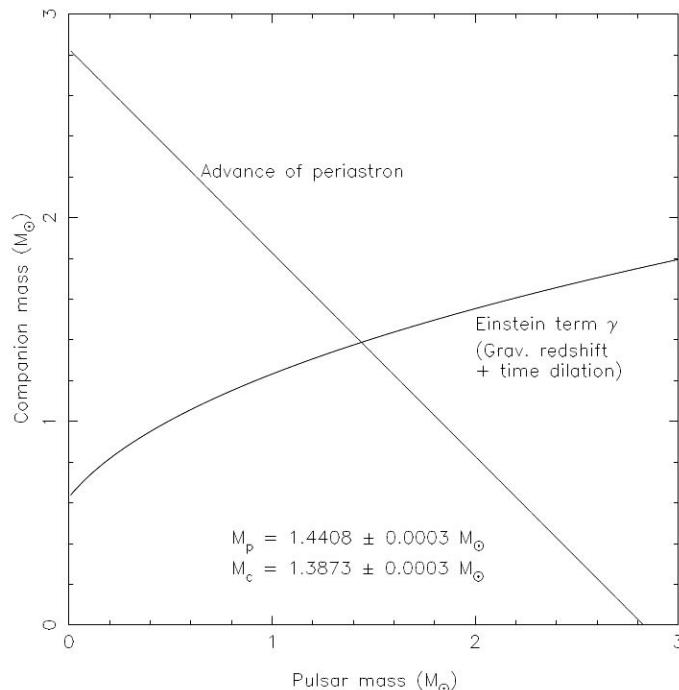
Shapiro delay of the reception of radio pulses due to light propagating in curved spacetime of the companion star

“range” $r = M_c T_{\odot}$ and the “shape” $s = \sin i$

Φ is the orbital phase in radians, Φ_0 is the phase of the ascending node

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An example
PSR B1913+16

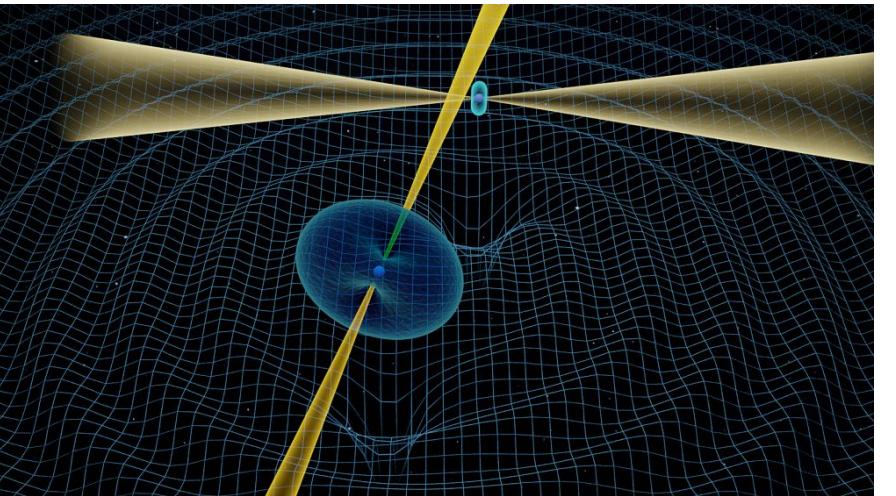


Parameter	Value
Orbital period P_b (d)	0.322997462727(5)
Projected semi-major axis x (s)	2.341774(1)
Eccentricity e	0.6171338(4)
Longitude of periastron ω (deg)	226.57518(4)
Epoch of periastron T_0 (MJD)	46443.99588317(3)
Advance of periastron $\dot{\omega}$ (deg yr ⁻¹)	4.226607(7)
Gravitational redshift γ (ms)	4.294(1)
Orbital period derivative $(\dot{P}_b)^{\text{obs}}$ (10^{-12})	-2.4211(14)

From Weisberg and Taylor 2002
<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1086/341803>

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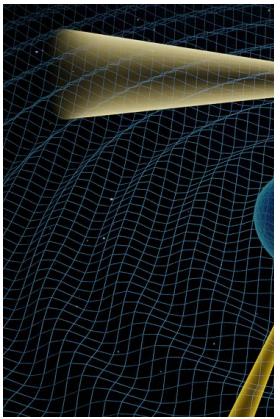


From Kramer et al. 2021

Parameter	Value
Right ascension (R.A.), α (J2000)	$07^{\text{h}}37^{\text{m}}51\overset{\text{s}}{.}248115(10)^{\text{a}}$
Declination (Dec), δ (J2000)	$-30^{\circ}39'40\overset{\text{s}}{.}70485(17)^{\text{a}}$
Proper motion R.A., μ_{α} (mas yr $^{-1}$)	$-2.567(30)^{\text{a}}$
Proper motion Dec., μ_{δ} (mas yr $^{-1}$)	$2.082(38)^{\text{a}}$
Parallax, π_c (mas)	$1.36(+0.12, -0.10)^{\text{a}}$
Position epoch (MJD)	55045.0000
Rotational frequency (freq.), ν (Hz)	44.054 068 641 962 81(17) ^b
First freq. derivative, $\dot{\nu}$ (Hz s $^{-1}$)	$-3.4158071(11) \times 10^{-15}$ ^b
Second freq. derivative, $\ddot{\nu}$ (Hz s $^{-2}$)	$-2.286(29) \times 10^{-27}$ ^b
Third freq. derivative, $\dddot{\nu}$ (Hz s $^{-3}$)	$1.28(26) \times 10^{-36}$ ^b
Fourth freq. derivative, $\ddot{\ddot{\nu}}$ (Hz s $^{-4}$)	$4.580(86) \times 10^{-43}$ ^b
Timing epoch, t_0 (MJD)	55700.0
Profile evolution, FD parameter c_1	0.0000180(75)
Profile evolution, FD parameter c_2	-0.0001034(10)
Profile evolution, FD parameter c_3	0.0000474(26)
Dispersion measure, DM (pc cm $^{-3}$)	48.917 208
Orbital period, P_b (day)	0.102 251 559 297 3(10)
Projected semimajor axis, x (s)	1.415 028 603(92)
Eccentricity (Kepler equation), e_T	0.087 777 023(61)
Epoch of periastron, T_0 (MJD)	55 700.233 017 540(13)
Longitude of periastron, ω_0 (deg)	204.753 686(47)
Periastron advance, $\dot{\omega}$ (deg yr $^{-1}$) ^c	16.899 323(13)
Change of orbital period, \dot{P}_b	$-1.247920(78) \times 10^{-12}$
Einstein delay amplitude, γ_E (ms)	0.384 045(94)
Logarithmic Shapiro shape, z_s	9.65(15)
Range of Shapiro delay, r (μ s)	6.162(21)
NLO factor for signal prop., q_{NLO}	1.15(13)
Relativistic deformation of orbit, δ_θ	$13(13) \times 10^{-6}$
Change of proj. semimajor axis, \dot{x}	$8(7) \times 10^{-16}$
Change of eccentricity, \dot{e}_T (s $^{-1}$)	$3(6) \times 10^{-16}$
Derived parameters	
$\sin i = 1 - \exp(-z_s)$	0.999 936(+9/-10)
Orbital inclination, i (deg)	89.35(5) or 90.65(5)
Total mass, M (M_{\odot}) ^d	2.587052(+9/-7)
Mass of pulsar A, m_A (M_{\odot}) ^d	1.338 185(+12/-14)
Mass of pulsar B, m_B (M_{\odot}) ^d	1.248868(+13/-11)
Galactic longitude, l (deg)	245.2357
Galactic latitude, b (deg)	-4.5049
Proper motion in l , μ_l (mas yr $^{-1}$)	-3.066(35)
Proper motion in b , μ_b (mas yr $^{-1}$)	-1.233(31)
Distance from π_c , d (pc)	735(60)
Transverse velocity, v_T (km s $^{-1}$)	11.5(10)

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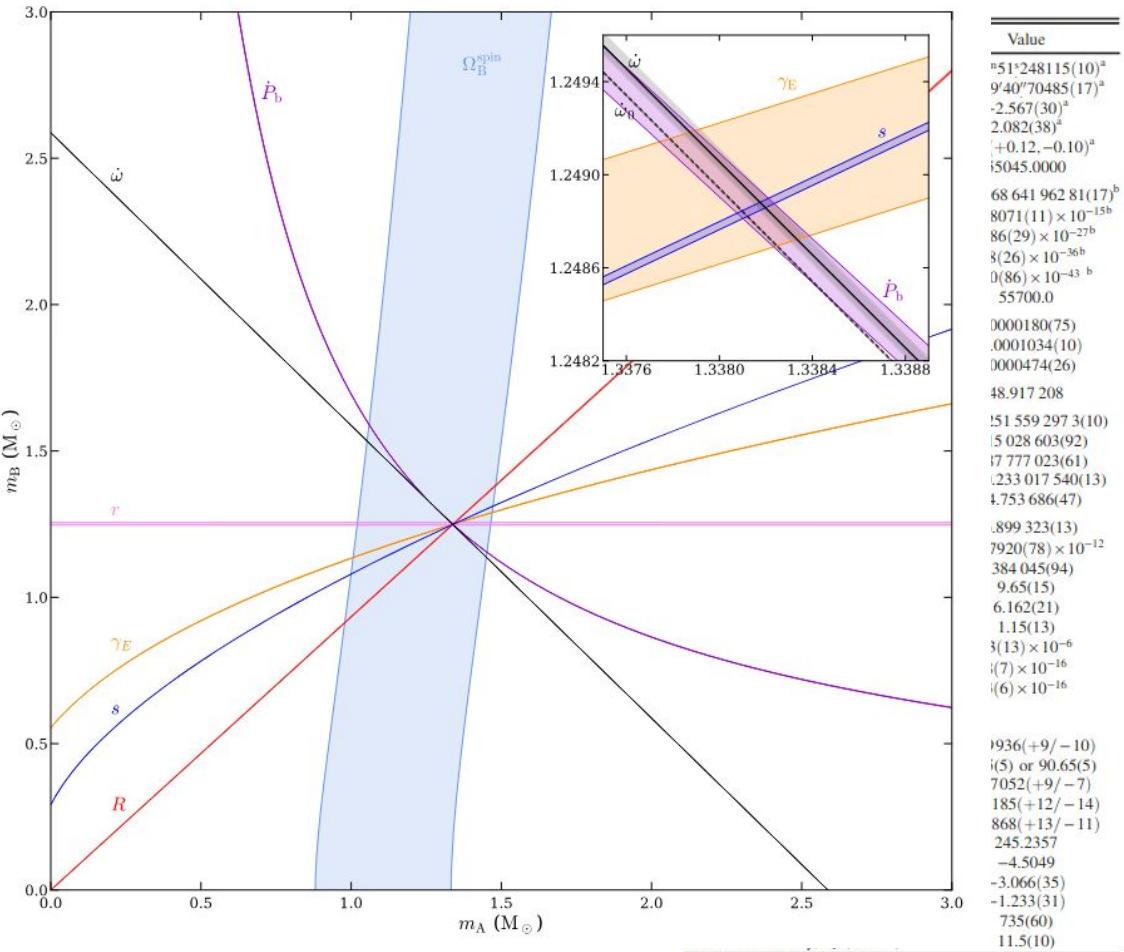
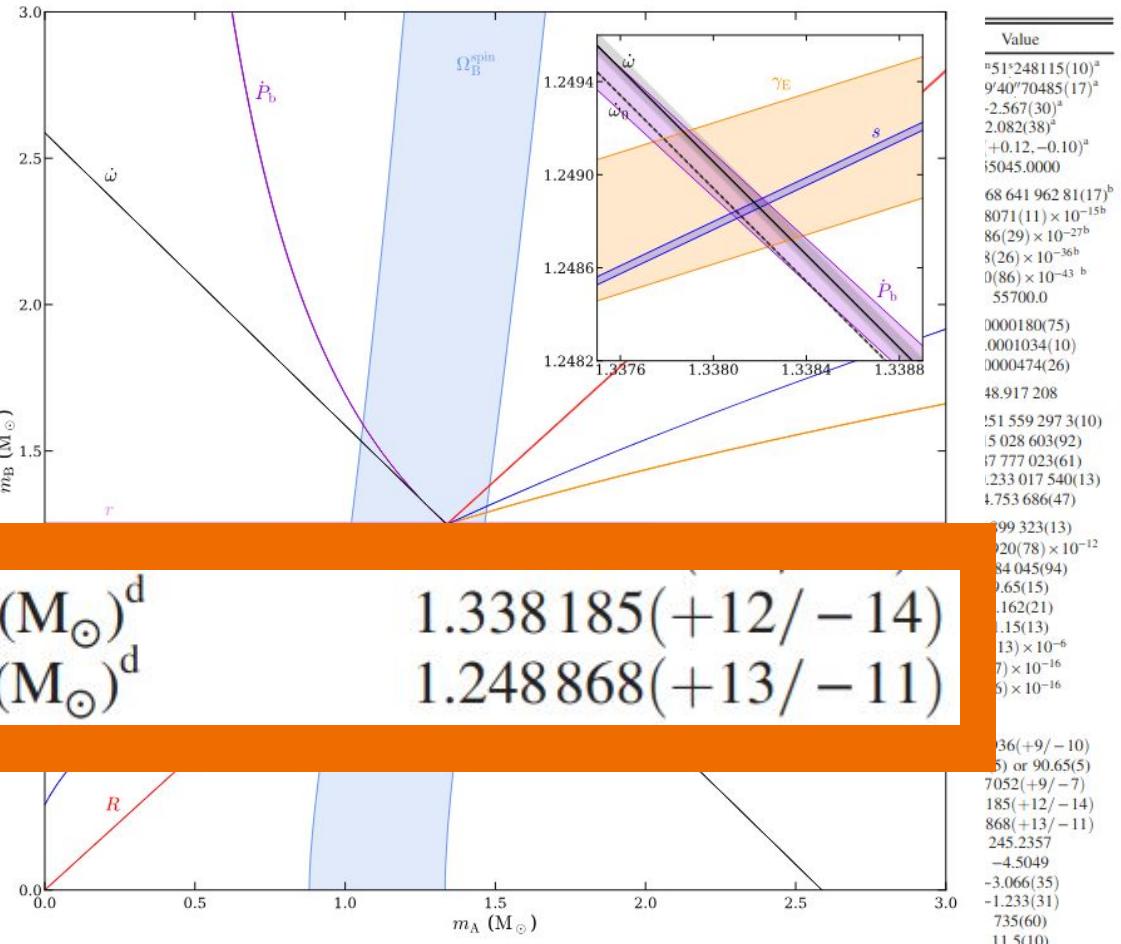
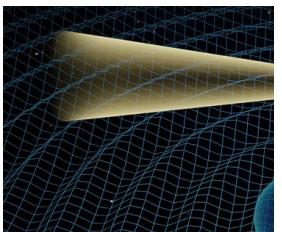


TABLE IV. Timing parameters for PSR J0737-3039A in TDB units (see the text). Except for astrometry and DM, the parameters are derived using Tempo with the 30-s TOA dataset. Numbers in parentheses are 1σ uncertainties referred to the last quoted digit.

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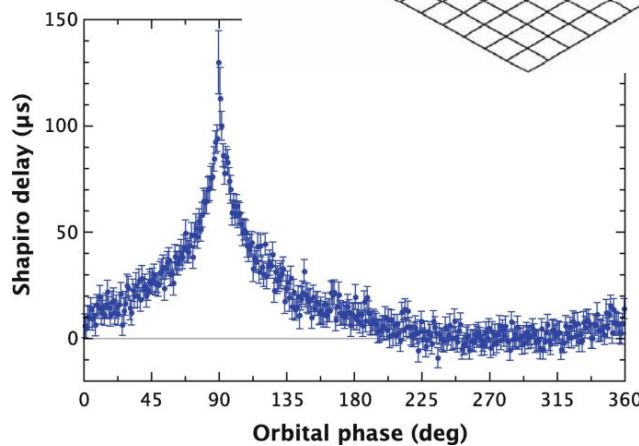
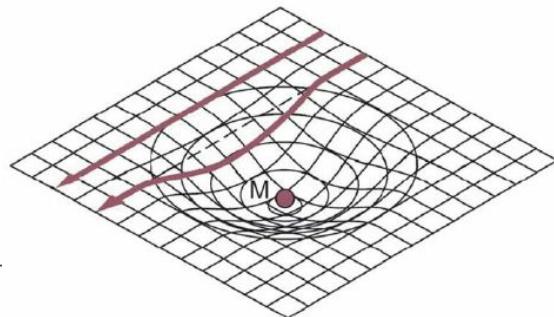
Mass of pulsar A, $m_A (M_\odot)^{\text{d}}$
Mass of pulsar B, $m_B (M_\odot)^{\text{d}}$

$1.338\ 185(+12/-14)$
 $1.248\ 868(+13/-11)$

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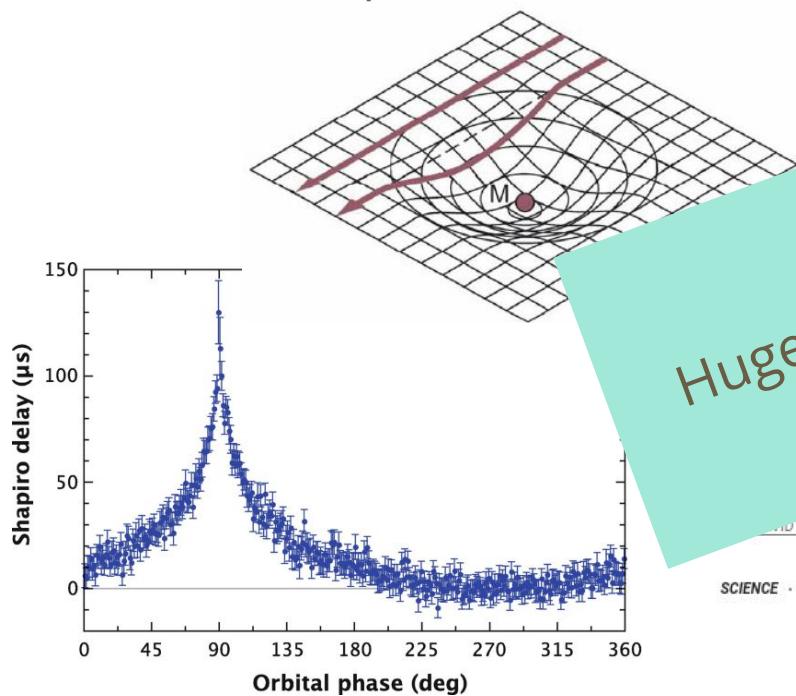
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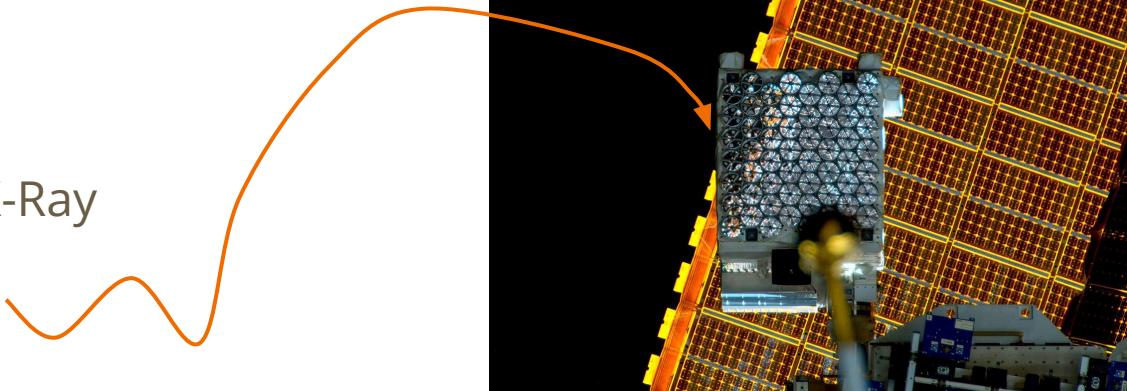
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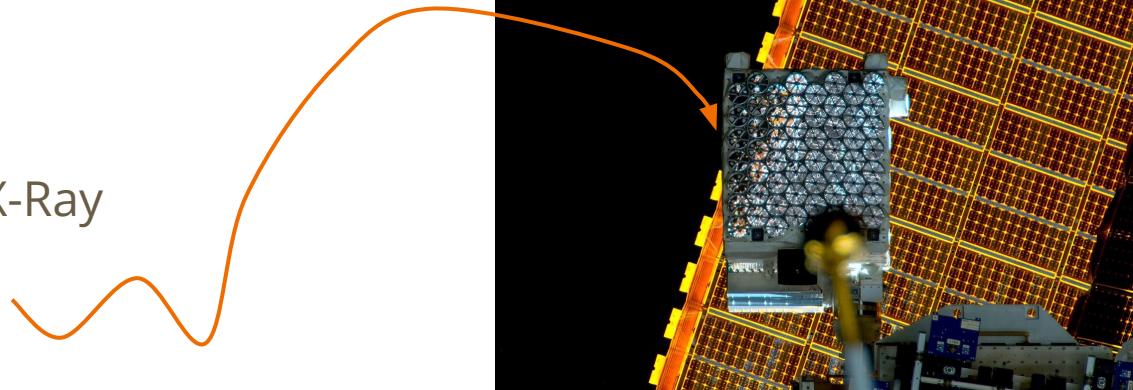


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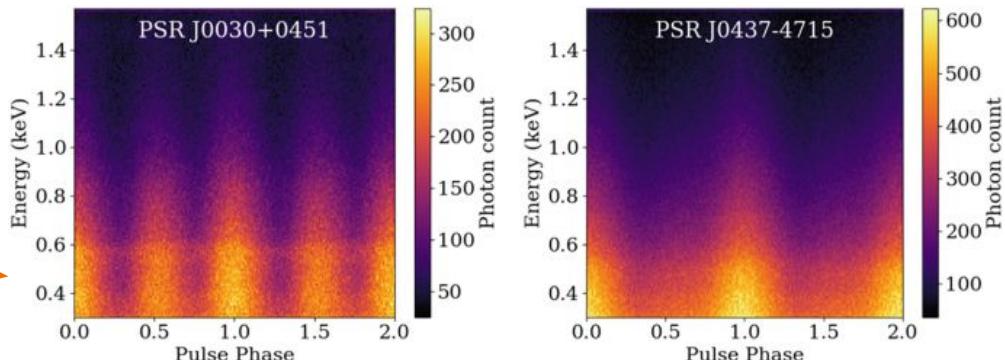
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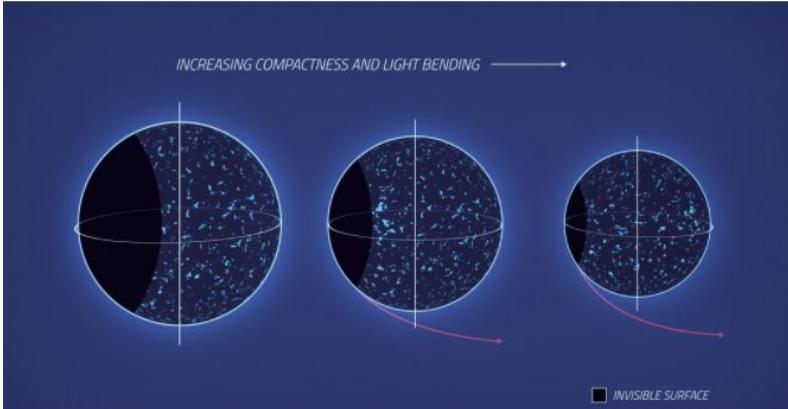
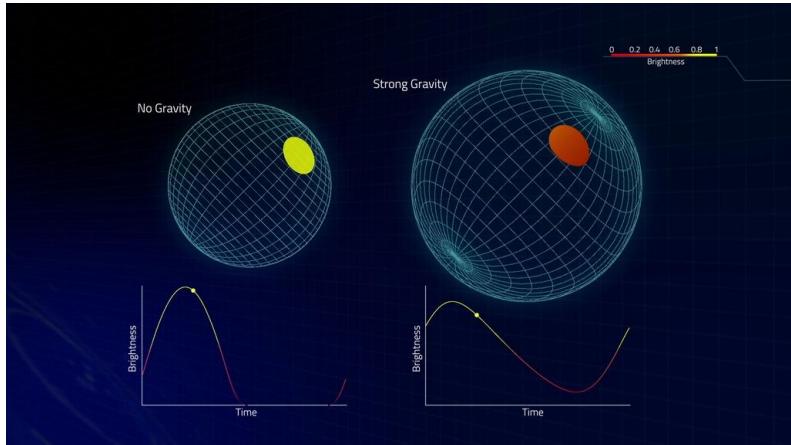
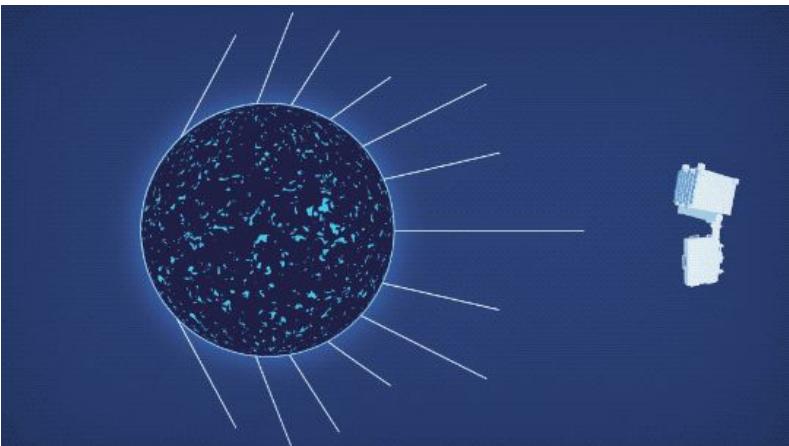
Dedicated to study NSs light curves to estimate mass, radius and other relevant features of these intriguing objects



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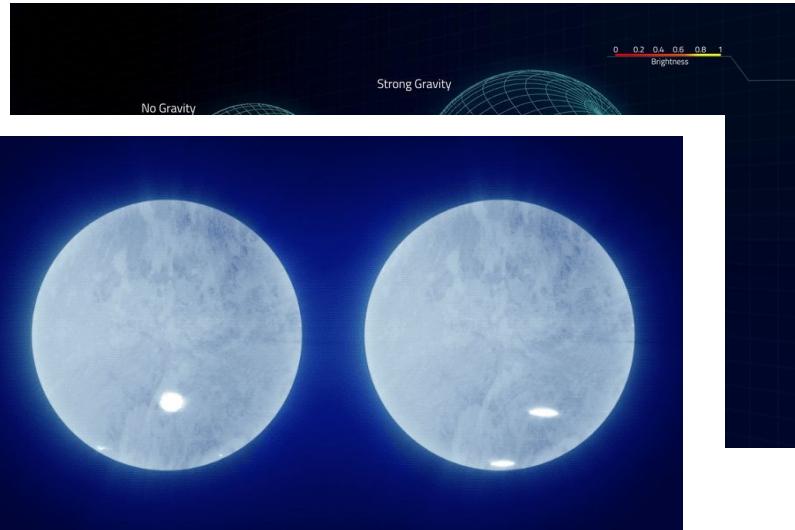
It works using GR effects such as light bending and gravitational redshift



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3. This (alongside with other information) enables to estimate mass and radius of isolated NSs.

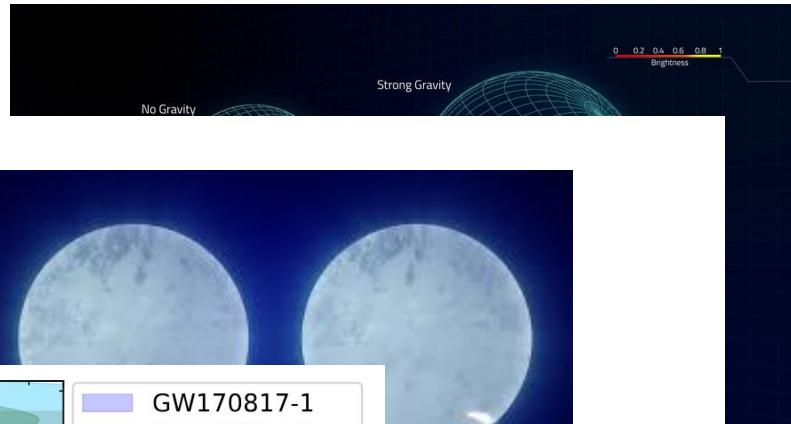
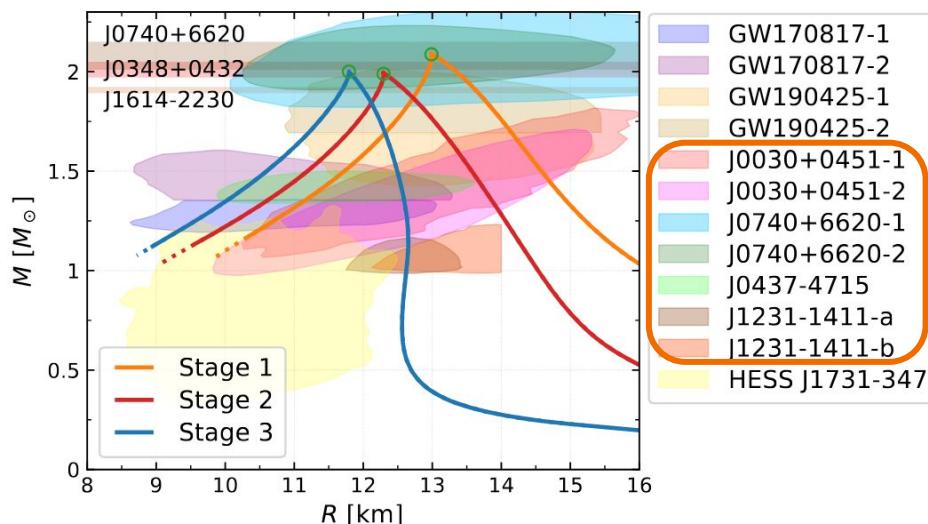


Independent teams have obtained almost the same estimates for several NS

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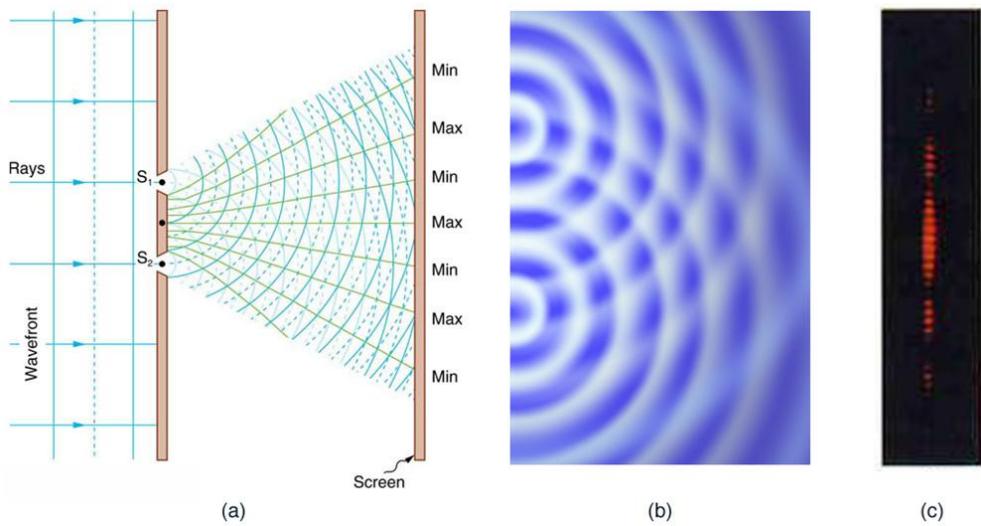
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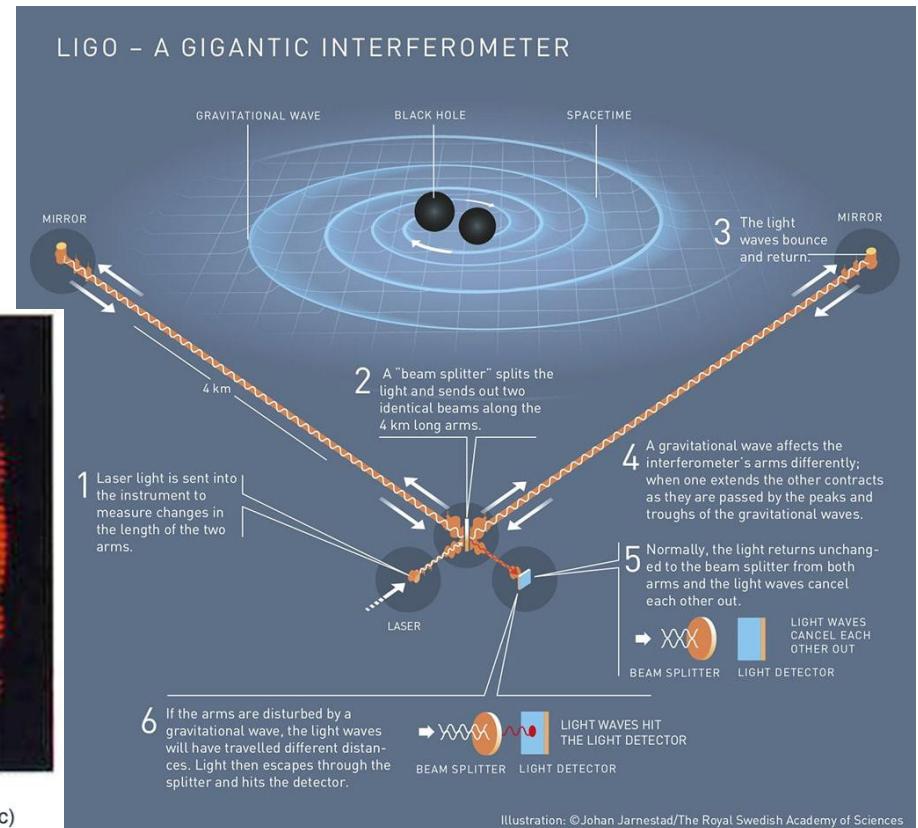
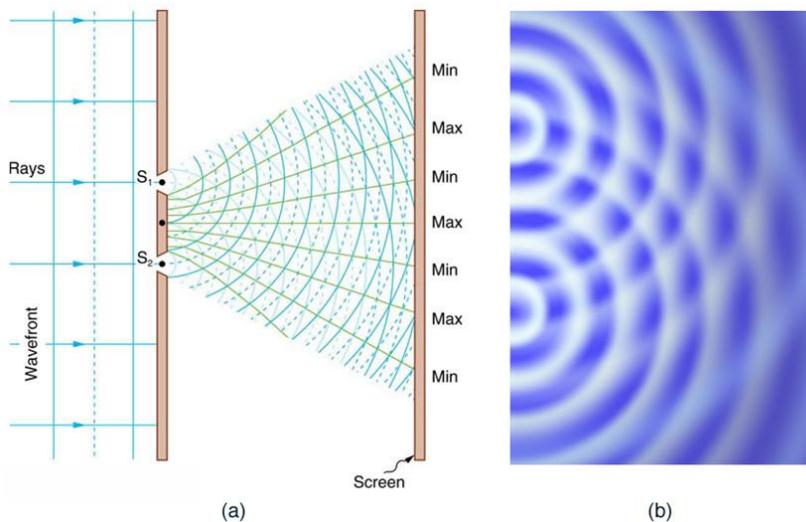
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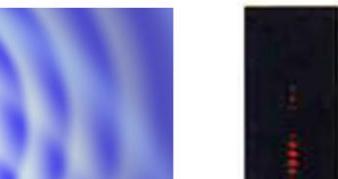
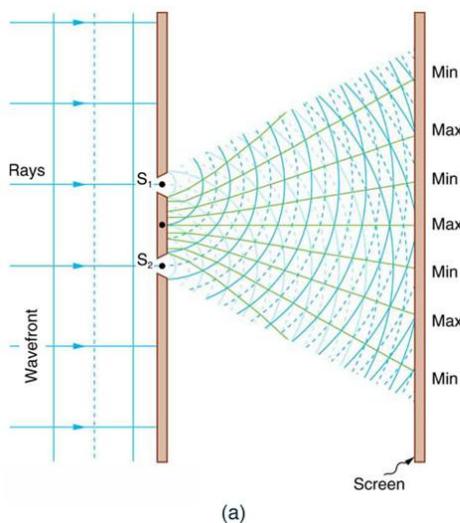
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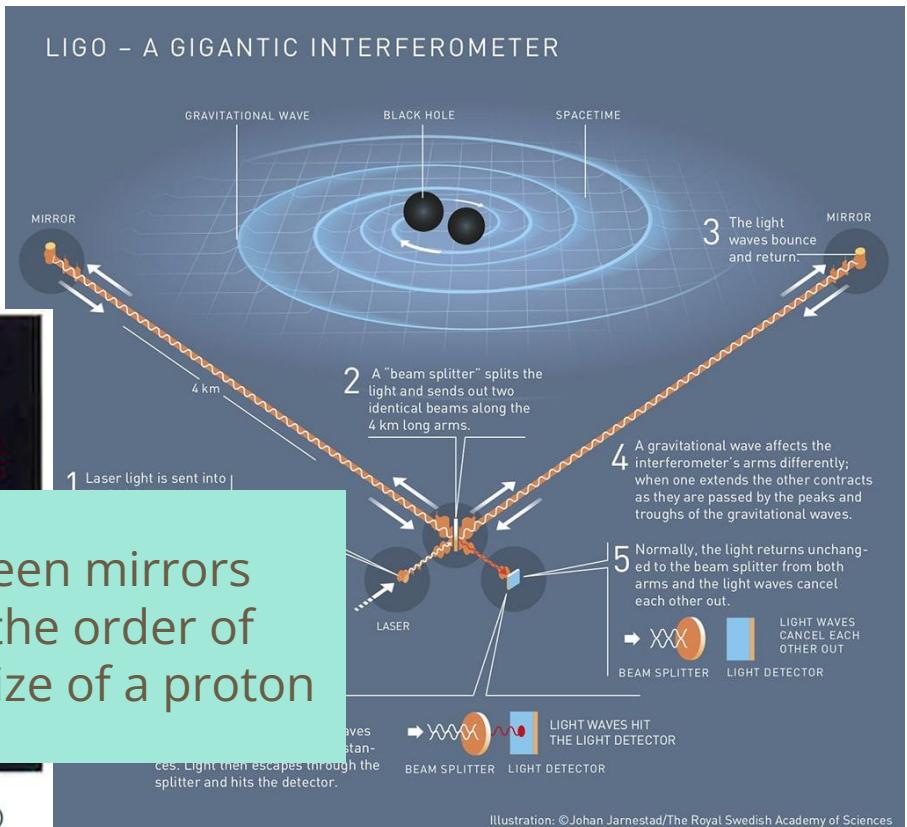


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Distances between mirrors changes are of the order of
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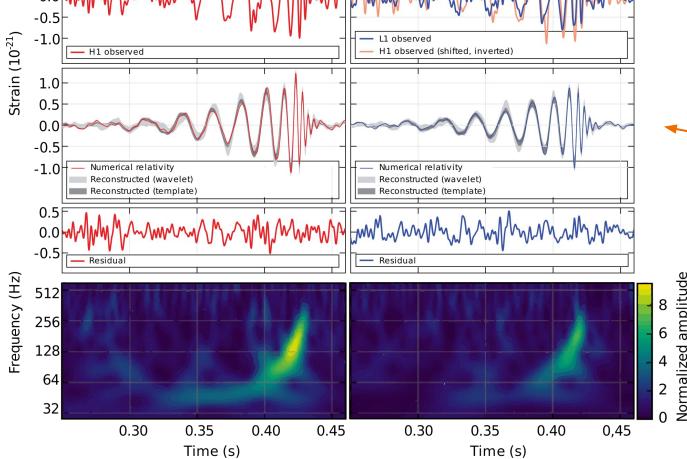
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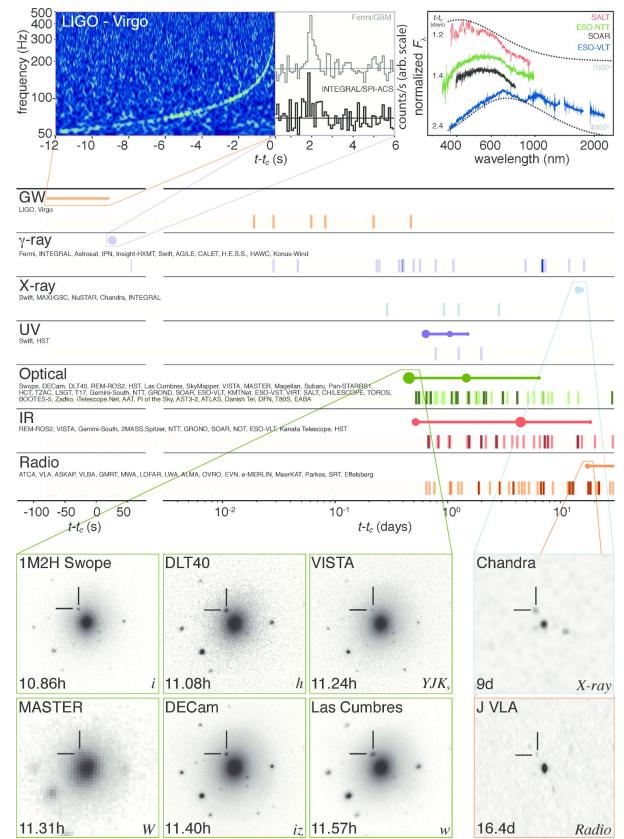
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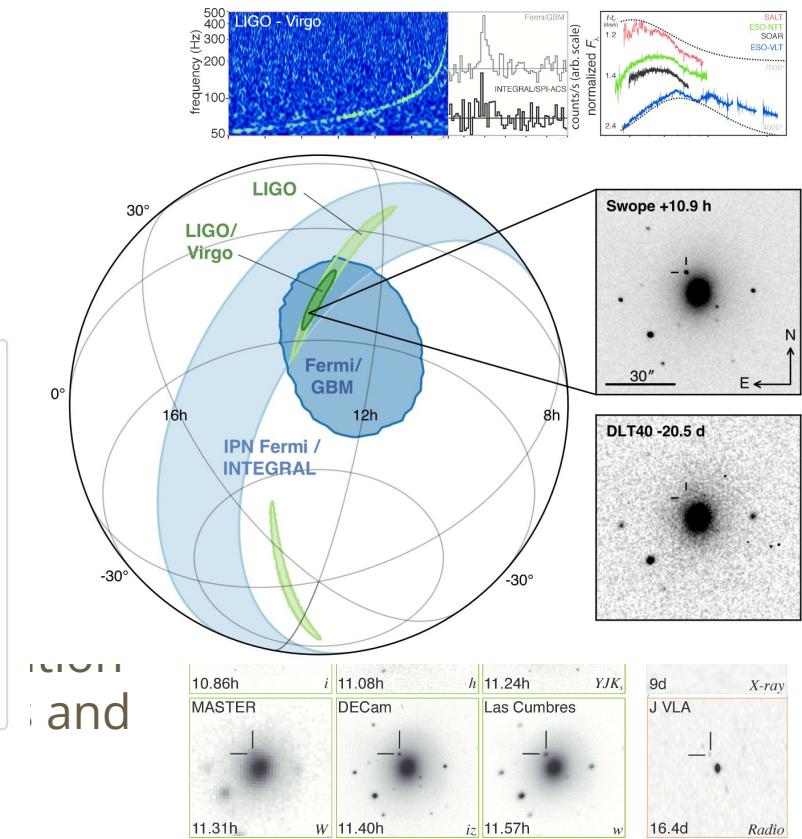
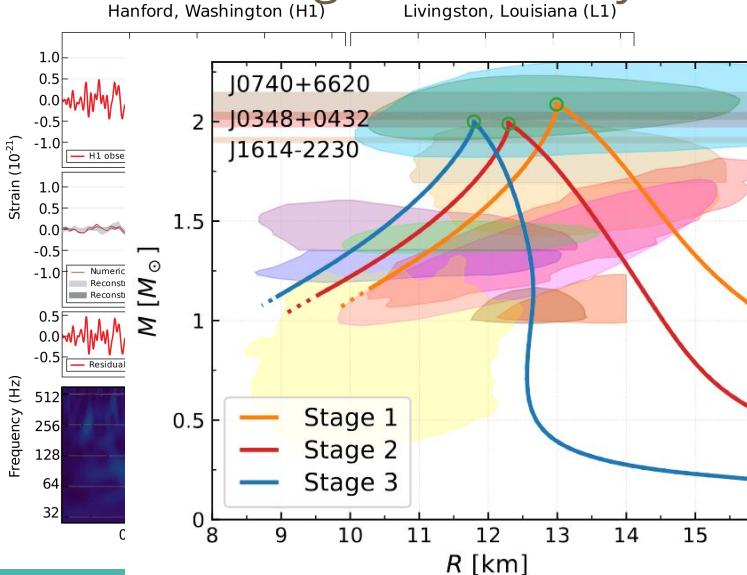


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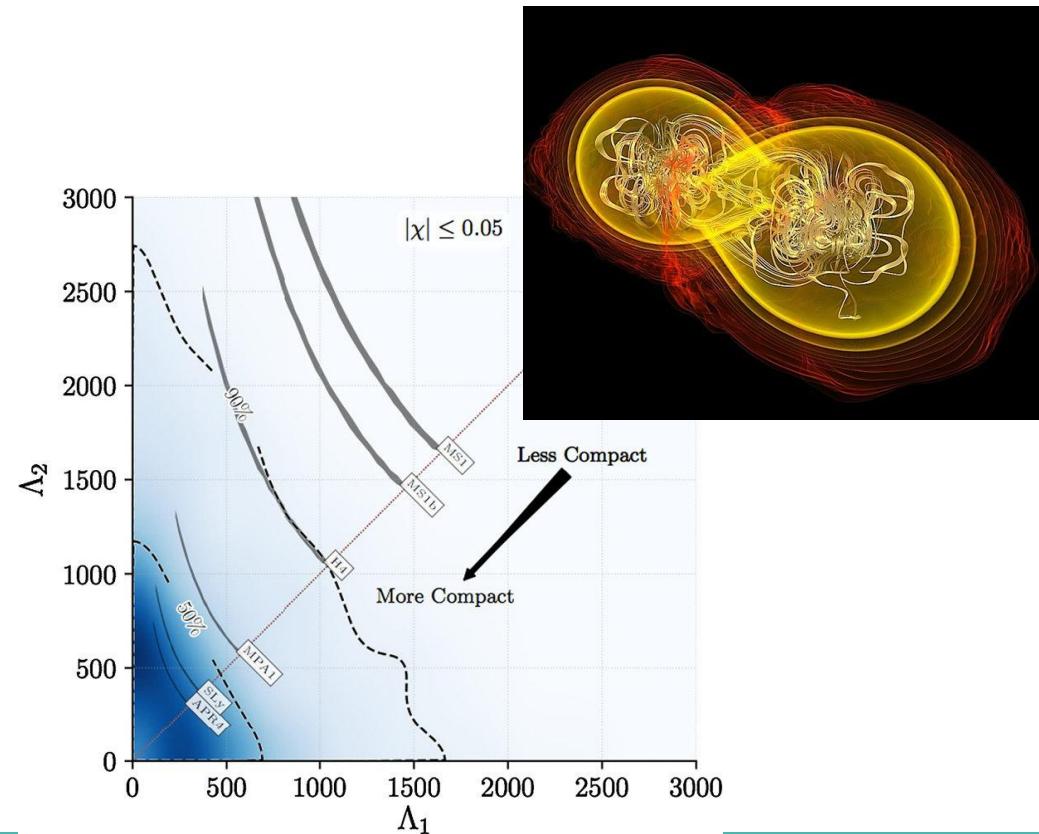
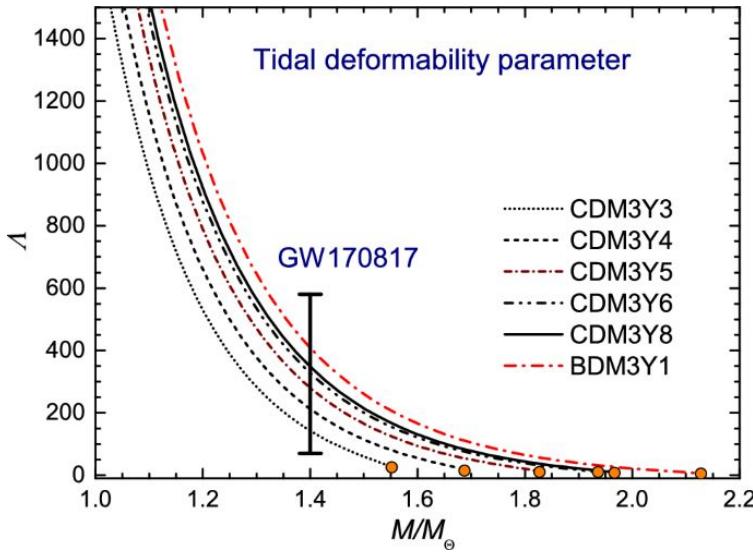


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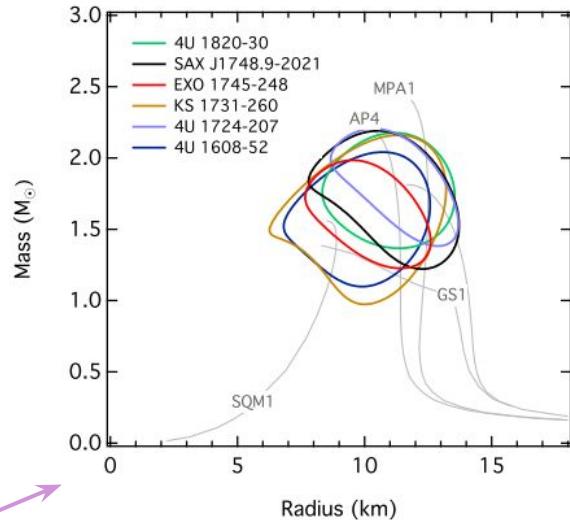
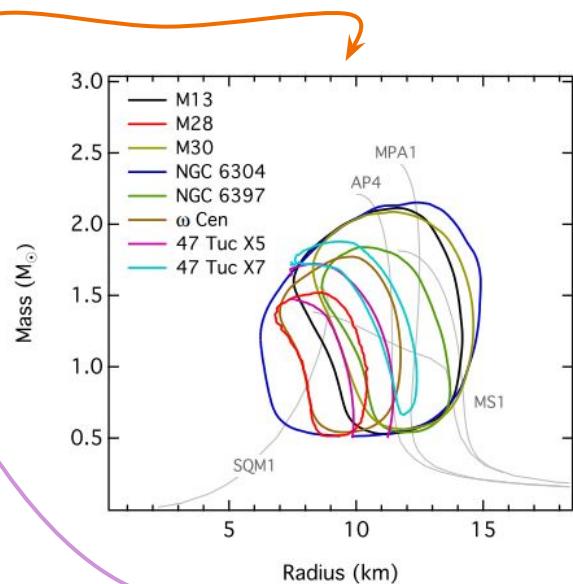
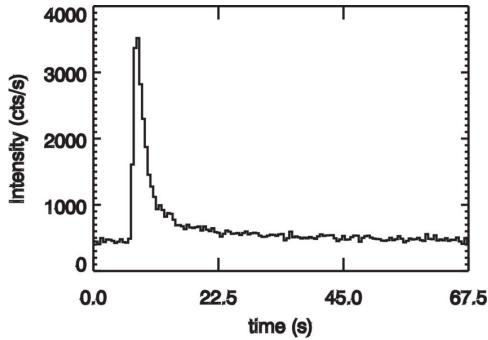
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Tidal deformability also estimated!



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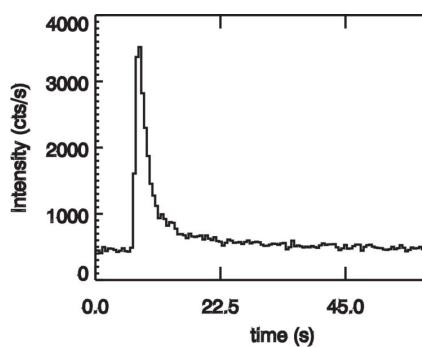
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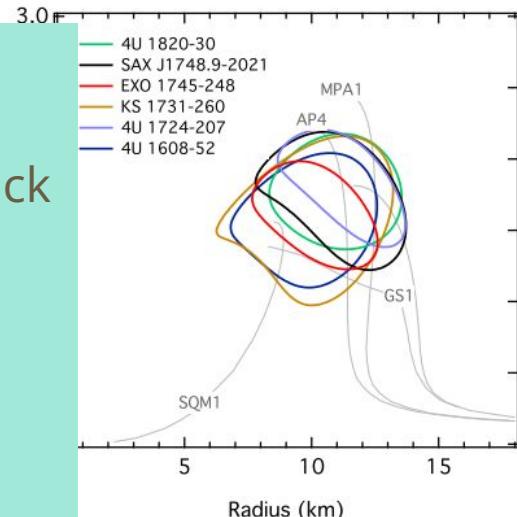
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The method relies in measuring the thermal flux of an object with known distance. Model the spectrum as a black body and obtain its effective temperature, then use the Stefan–Boltzmann Law to obtain the radius

$$\frac{R_{obs}}{D} = \left(\frac{F_{bol}}{\sigma_B T_{eff}^4} \right)^{1/2}$$

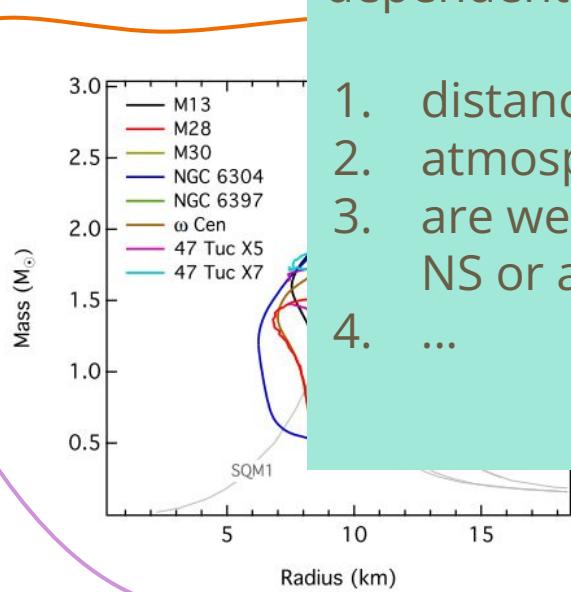
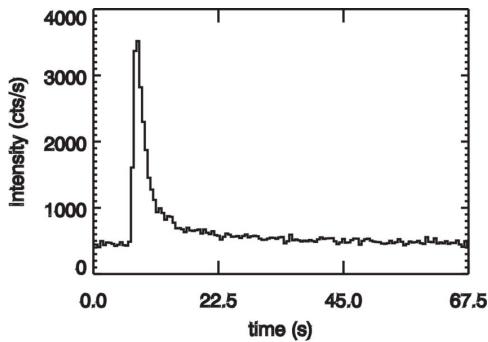


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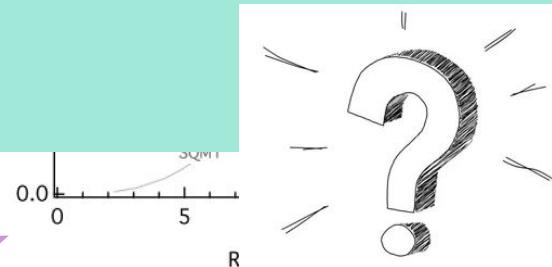
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1. distance determination problems
2. atmosphere models
3. are we estimating the radius of the NS or a different sphere?
4. ...



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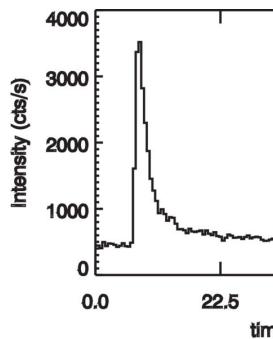
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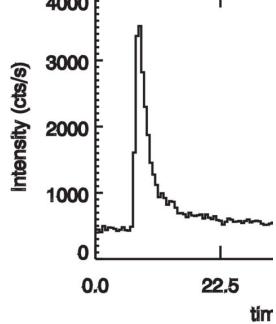
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Inverting them we get

$$M = \frac{z^2 c^4}{4gG} \frac{(2+z)^2}{(1+z)^3}$$

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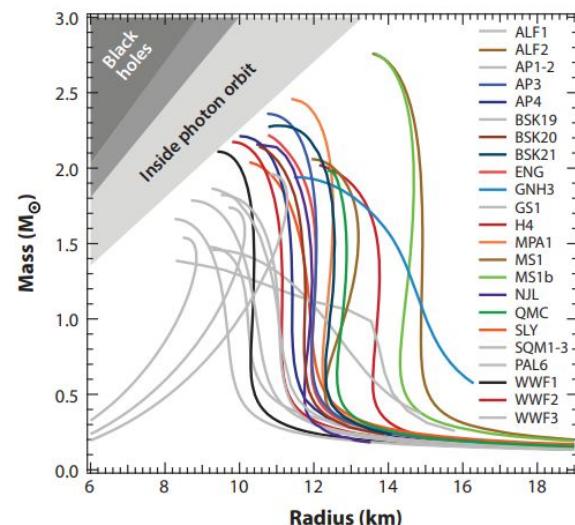
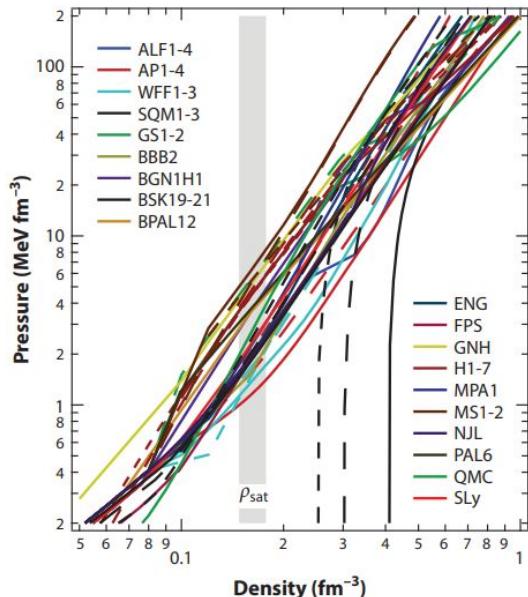
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Information in the M-R plane translates into information in the microphysical arena

