



Hearing the sirens of the early Universe: Primordial Black Holes & Gravitational Waves

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Disclaimer

This talk contains references to mythical creatures, which *may or may not* exist.

For example:

Sirens



www.maicar.com

Werewolves



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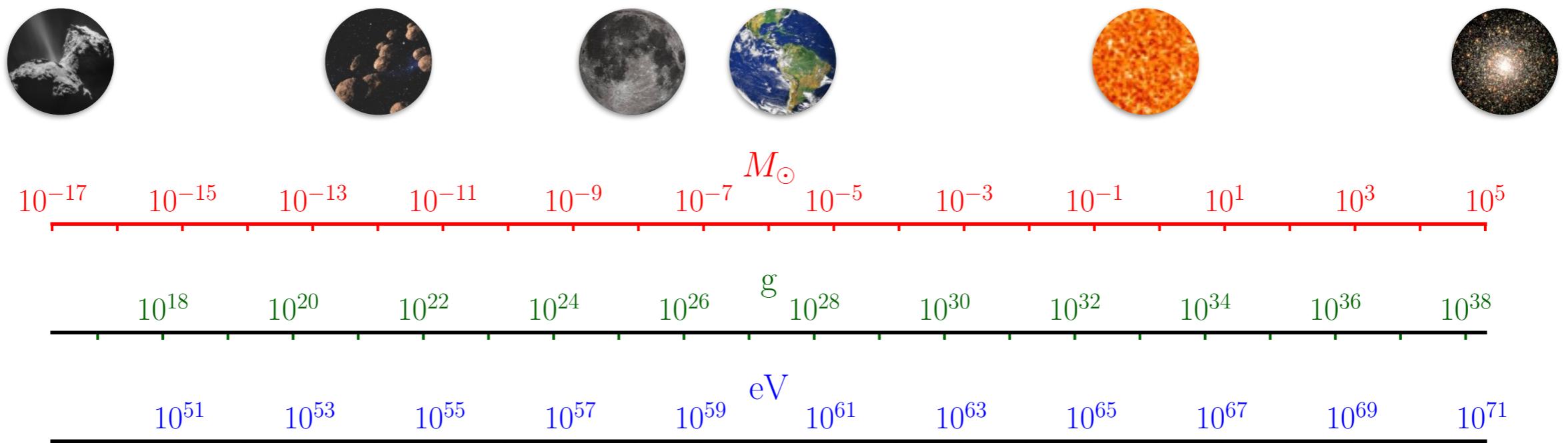
and primordial black holes...

Primordial Black Holes

Primordial Black Holes (PBHs) could form in the early Universe ($z \gg 10^8$) from large over-densities

Mass roughly given by mass inside horizon at time of formation:

[Green & Liddle, [astro-ph/9901268](#)]

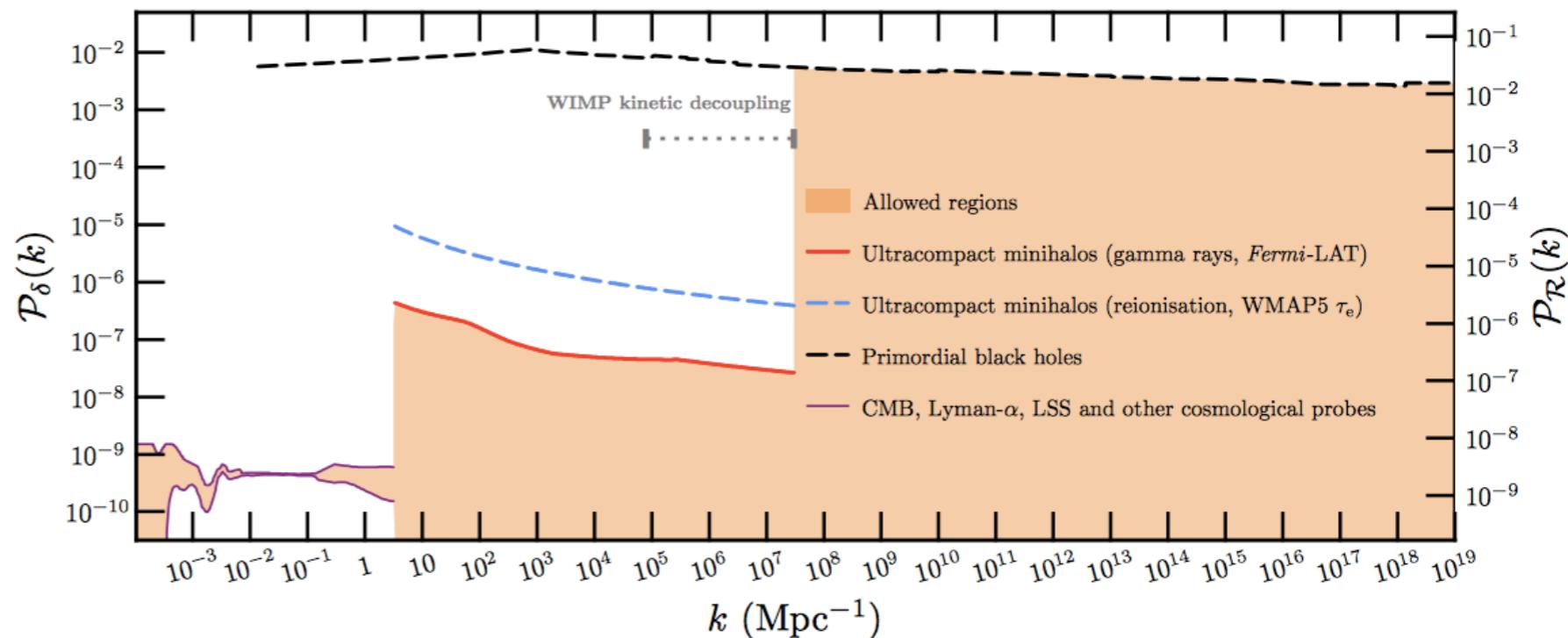


[Zel'dovich & Novikov (1967), Hawking (1971), Carr & Hawking (1974), Carr (1975)]

PBH formation

[1110.2484]

How can we
make a PBH?



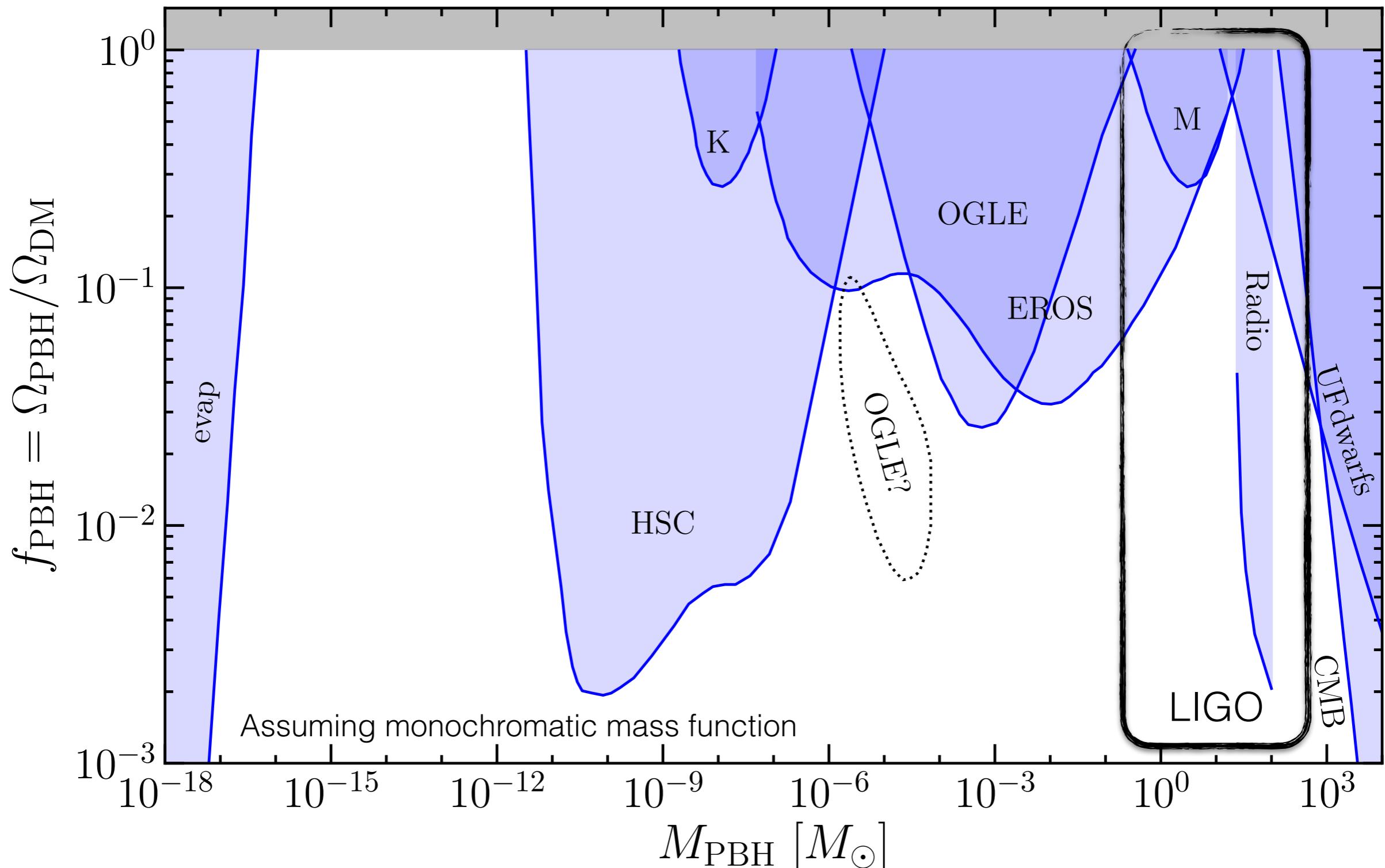
- Enhancement/feature in power spectrum
[e.g. [astro-ph/9509027](#), [astro-ph/9605094](#), [hep-ph/9710259](#), [1206.4188](#), [1709.05565](#)]
- Cosmic String Loops
[e.g. [Hawking \(1987\)](#), [Polnarev & Zembowicz \(1991\)](#), [gr-qc/9509012](#)]
- Bubble collisions
[e.g. [Hawking, Moss & Stewart \(1982\)](#); [La & Steinhardt \(1989\)](#)]

Primordial Black Holes are a probe of the physics of the early Universe:

“**Sirens** of the early Universe” [Green, [1403.1198](#)]

PBH Constraints

[Code online: github.com/bradkav/PBHbounds]



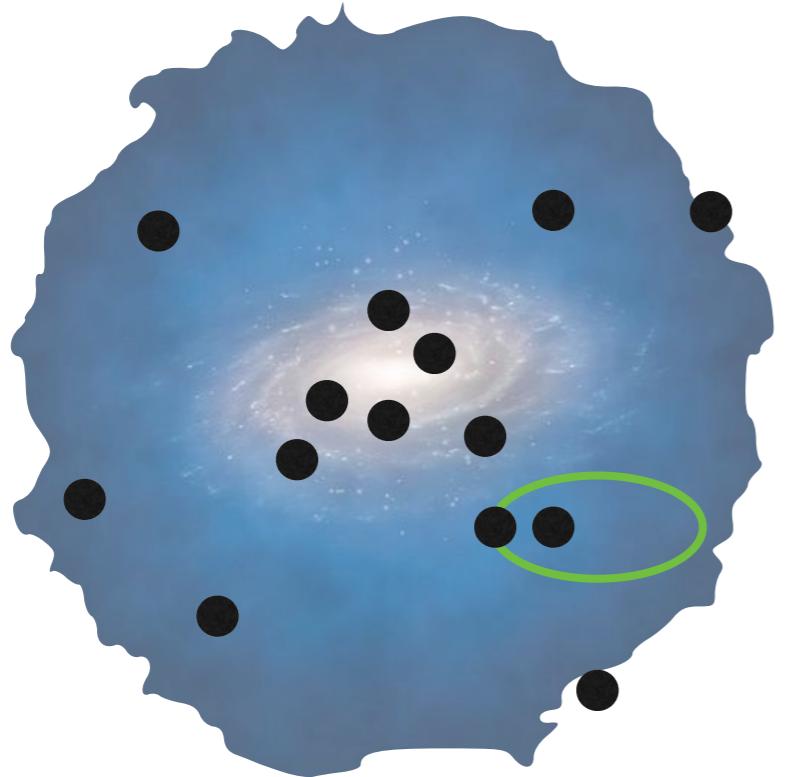
[See e.g. [1607.06077](#), [1801.00808](#), [1806.05195](#)]

[Some dispute: [1712.06574](#), [1906.05950](#)]

A tale of two binaries

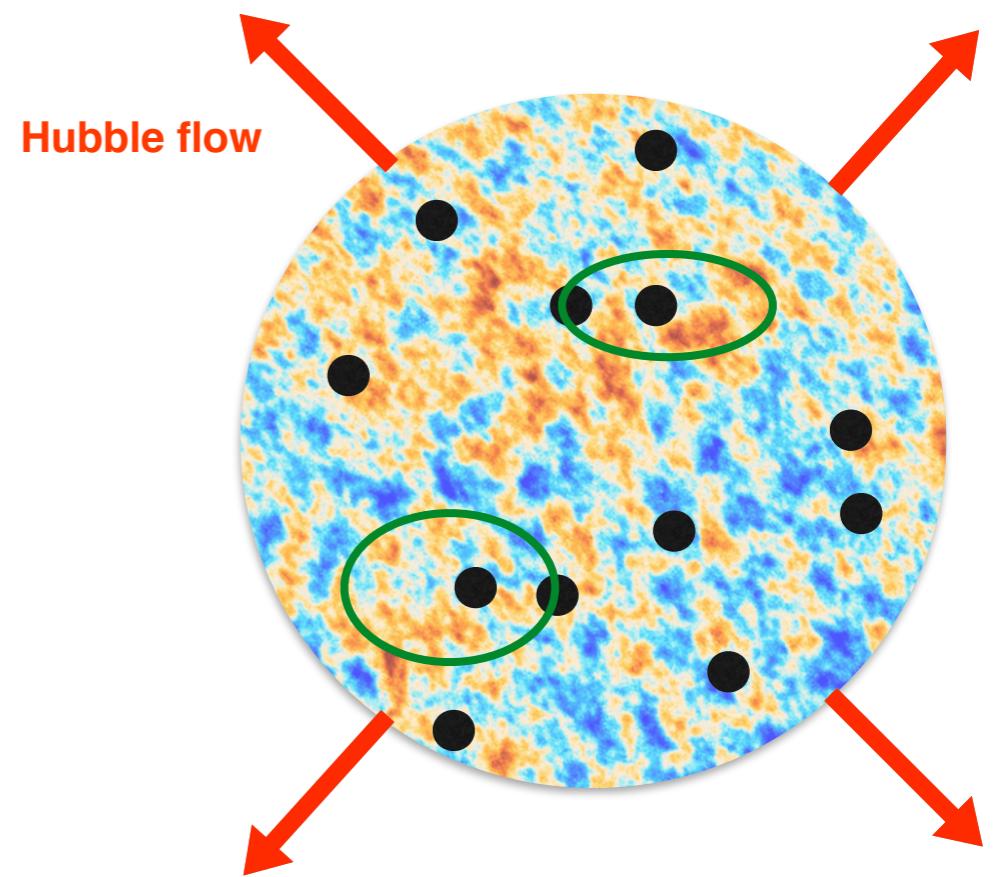
A) Binaries formed after close encounters

[Bird et al., [1603.00464](#)]



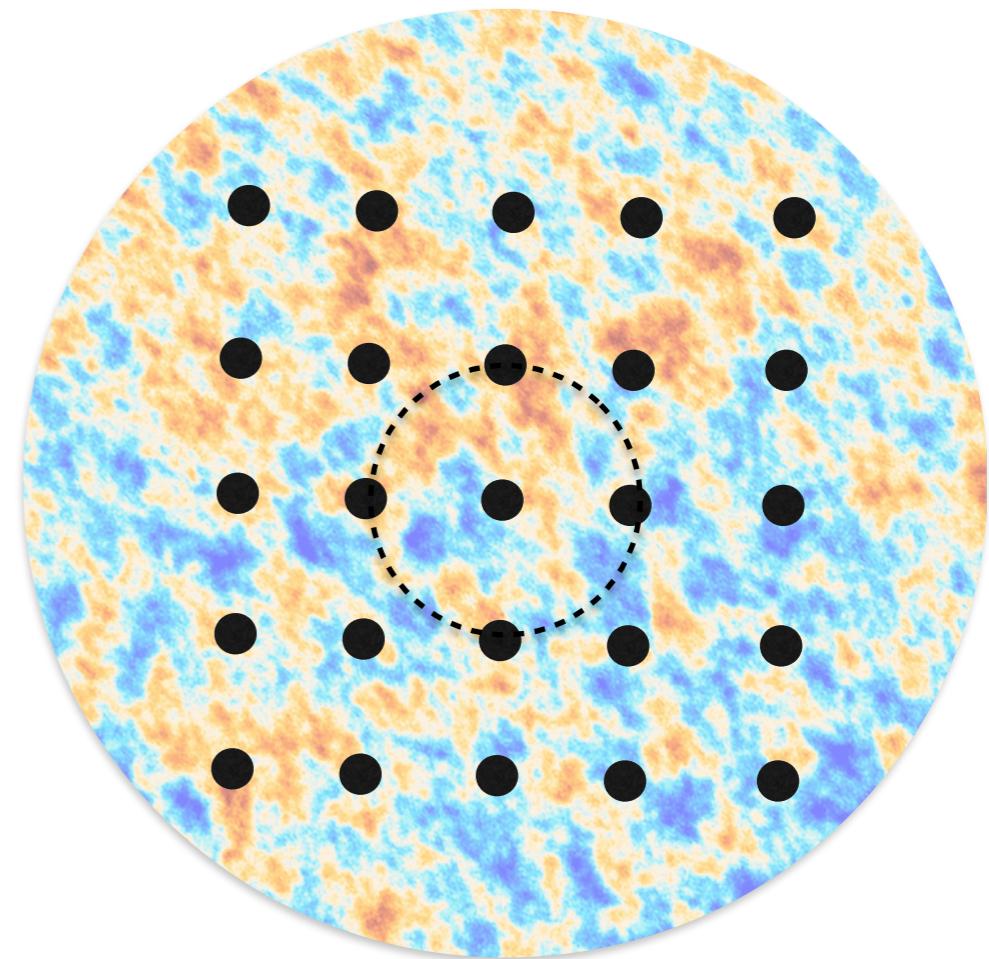
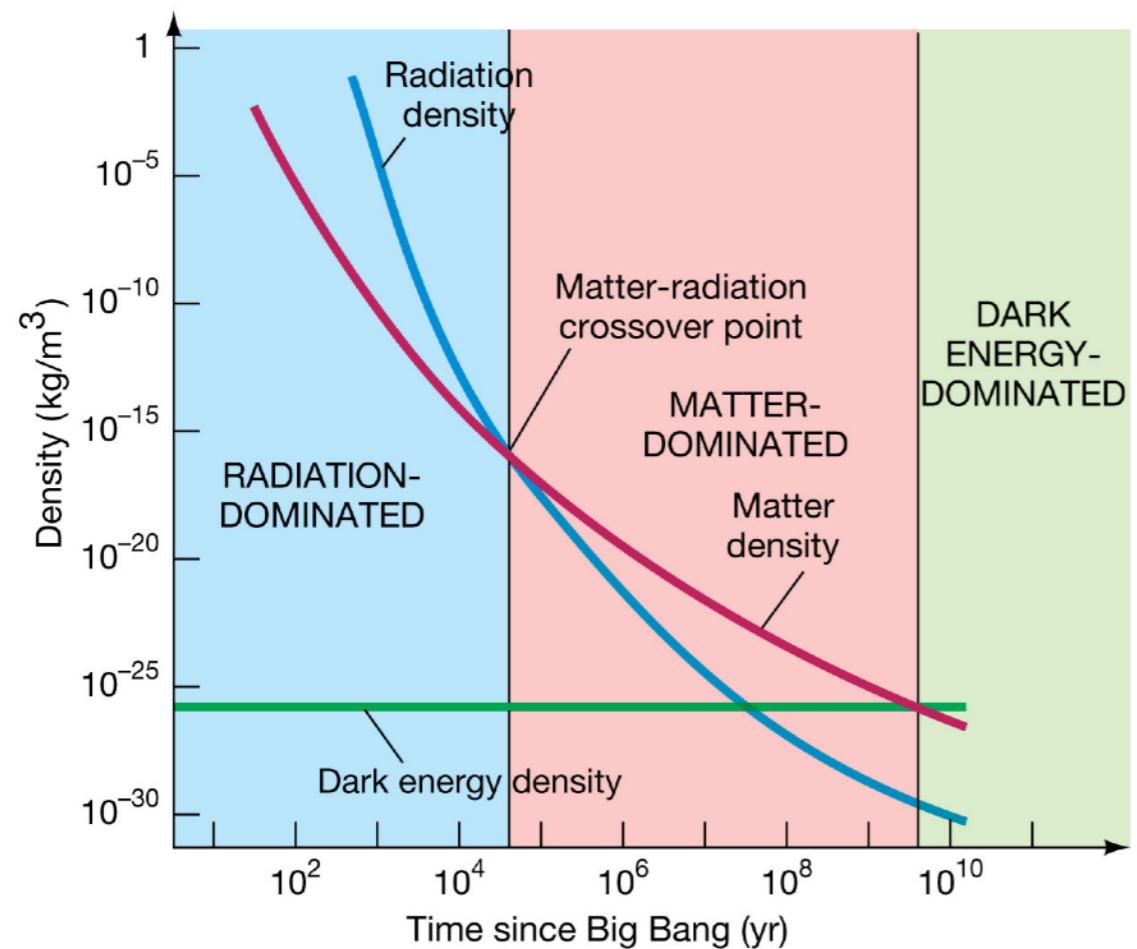
B) Binaries formed in the early Universe

[Nakamura et al, [astro-ph/9708060](#),
Sasaki et al, [1603.08338](#)]



Early Universe Binaries

If $f_{\text{PBH}} \sim 1$, the relative density of PBHs equals the background radiation density at matter-radiation equality.
(Almost) all PBHs form binaries...



PBH Binary Population

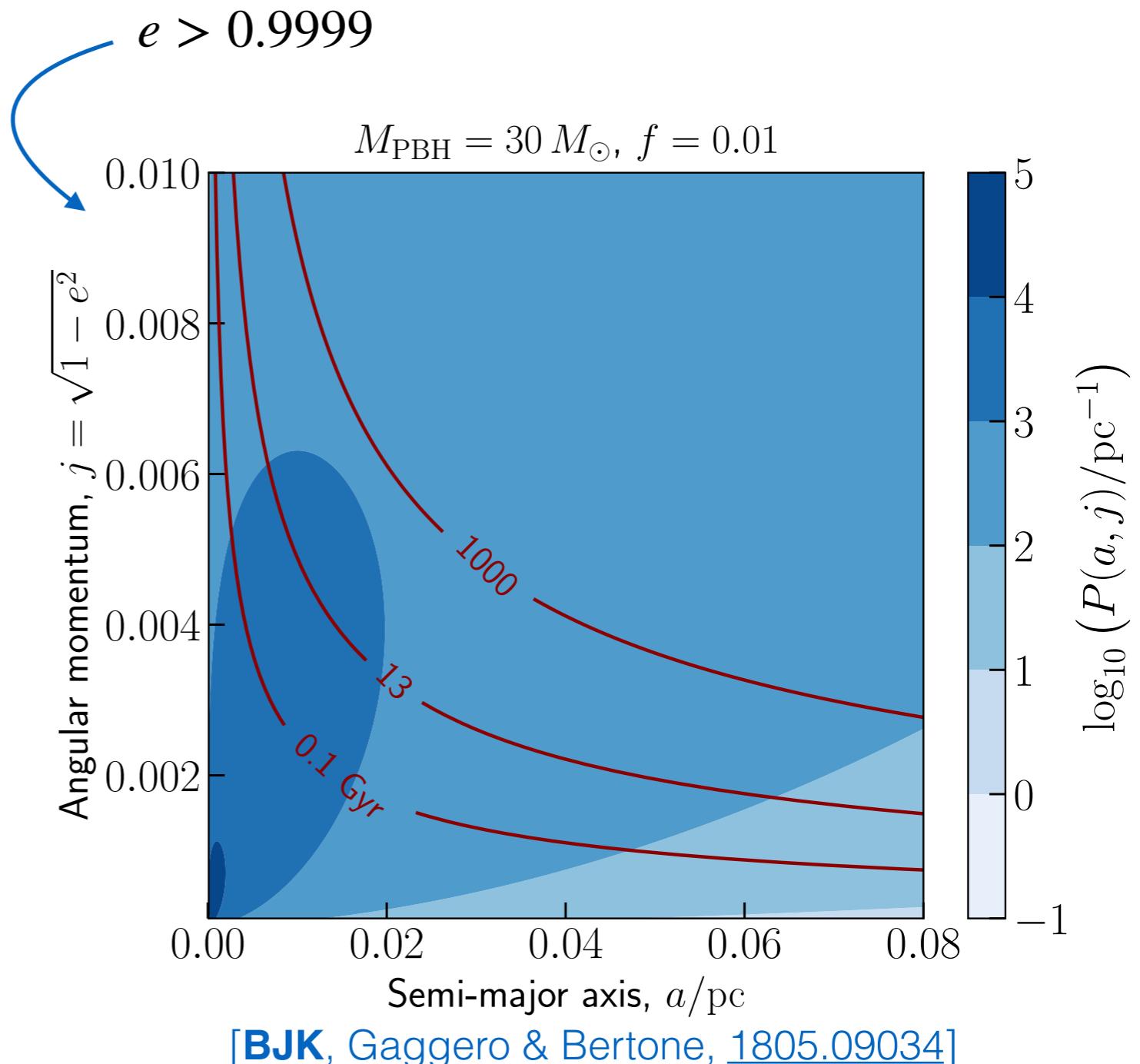
$$j = \sqrt{1 - e^2}$$

Randomly distributed
(unclustered) PBHs

Angular momentum set by
torques from smooth density
perturbations and *all other PBHs*

Close, eccentric binaries
merge today:

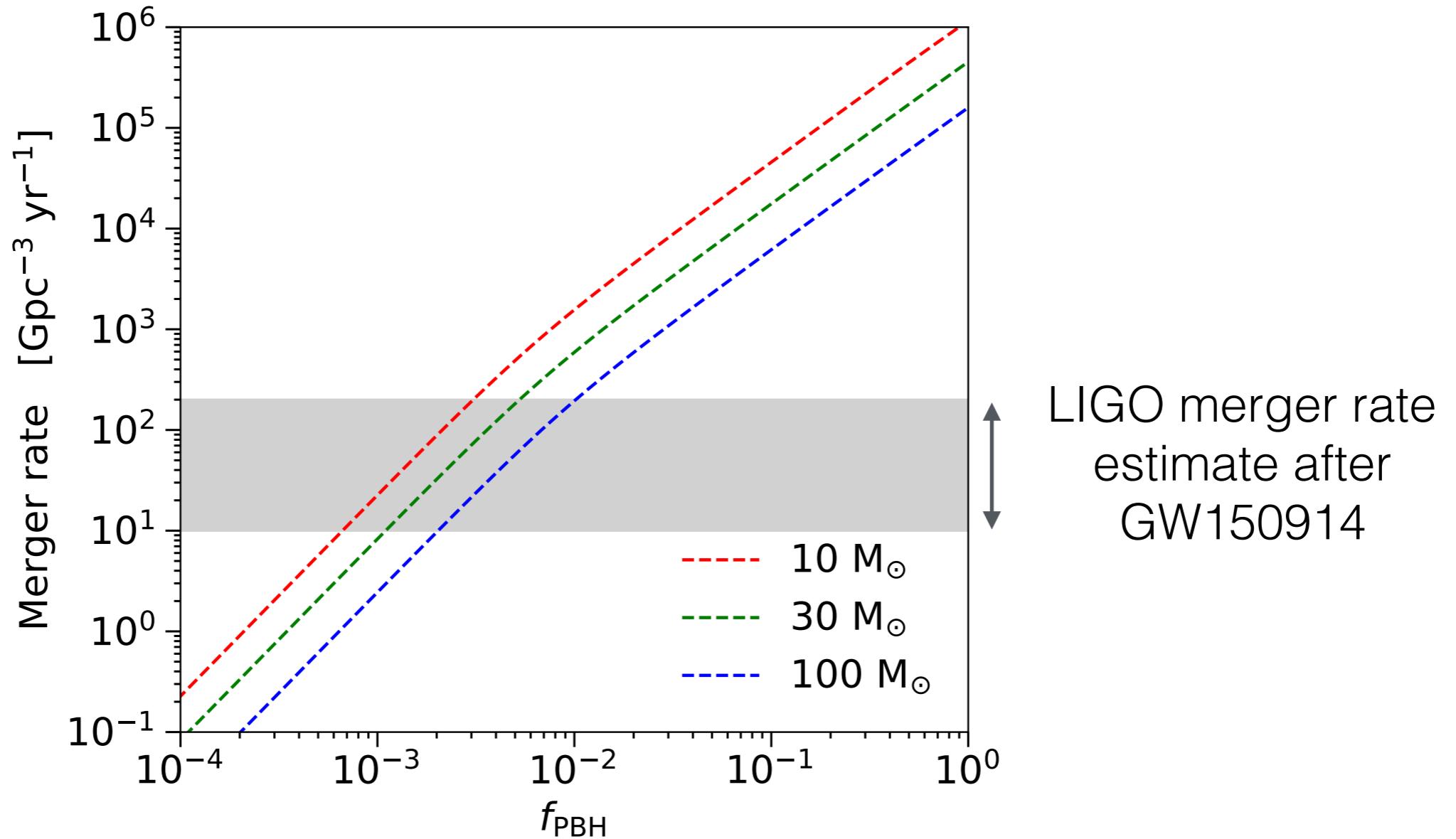
$$t_{\text{merge}} = \frac{3 c^5}{170 G_N^3} \frac{a^4 j^7}{M_{\text{PBH}}^3}$$



[\[0909.1738\]](#), [\[1606.07437\]](#), [\[1707.01480\]](#), [\[1709.06576\]](#), [\[1907.01455\]](#), and many others.]

Merger rate estimate

$$\mathcal{R}(t_{\text{merge}}) = \frac{1}{2} n_{\text{PBH}} P_{\text{binary}} P(t_{\text{merge}})$$

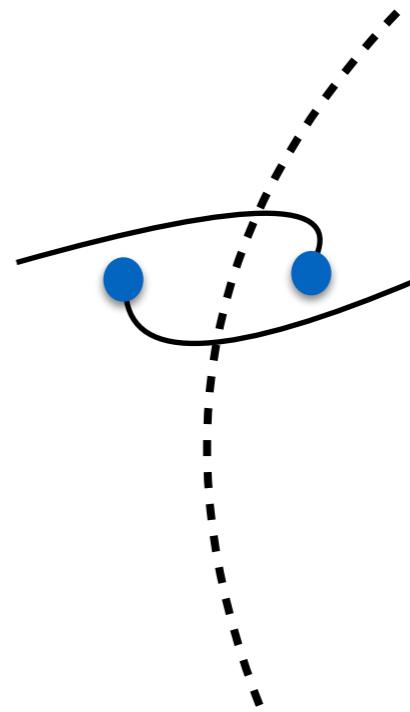


Solar mass PBHs should only be a sub-dominant (%-level) contribution to the DM density in the Universe

[Ali-Haïmoud et al., [1709.06576](#),
BJK, Gaggero & Bertone, [1805.09034](#)]

Caveats

- Survival
- Clustering
- Baryons
- Dark Matter



Do these binaries survive for the age of the Universe?

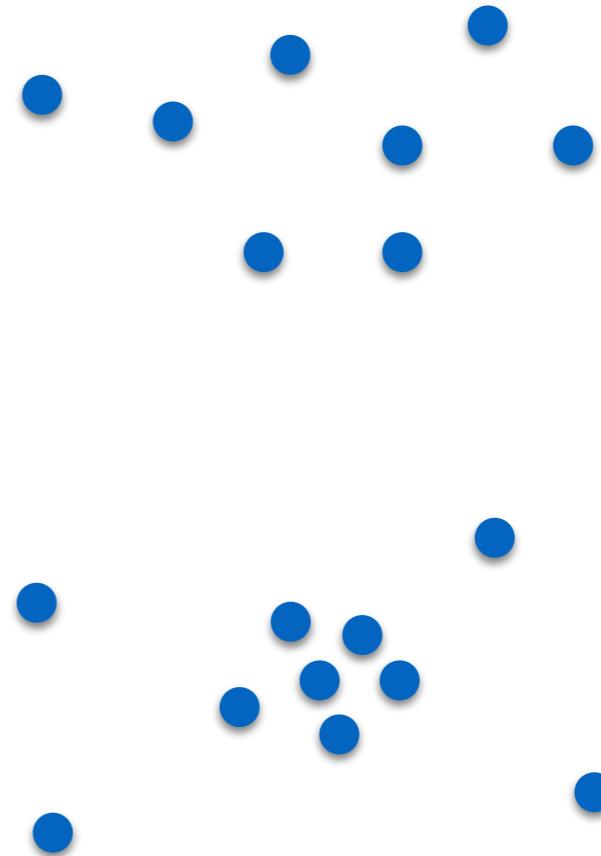
Smooth density perturbations and close encounters
are unlikely to disrupt the binaries

$$a \lesssim 10^{-2} \text{ pc}$$

[\[1709.06576, 1908.09752\]](#)

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How does the distribution of PBHs affect the merger rate?

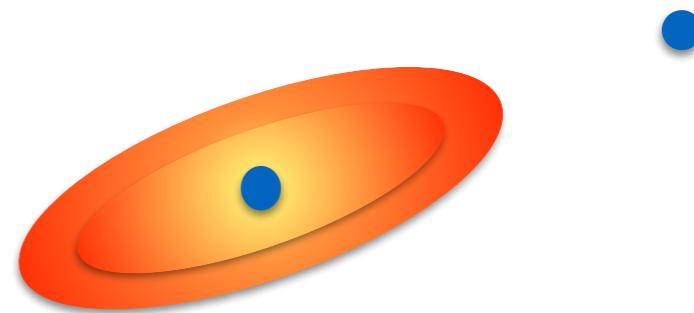
PBHs may cluster (depending on how they are formed) - this could substantially increase the merger rate

[This could be a good topic for the discussion session.]

[\[1805.05912\]](#), [\[1807.02084\]](#), [\[1808.05910\]](#), [\[1910.06077\]](#) and others]

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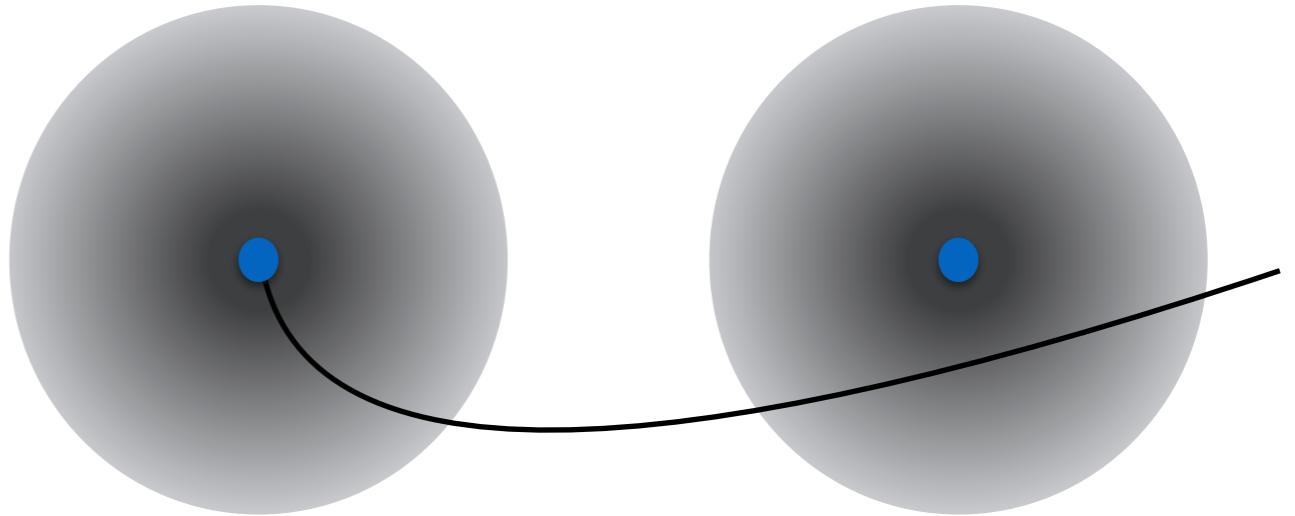
Does baryonic accretion disrupt the binary?

Some simulations have been performed, but the effects are still unclear (especially for highly eccentric binaries)...

[[astro-ph/0607467](#), [0909.1738](#), [0805.3408](#), [1703.03913](#)]

Caveats

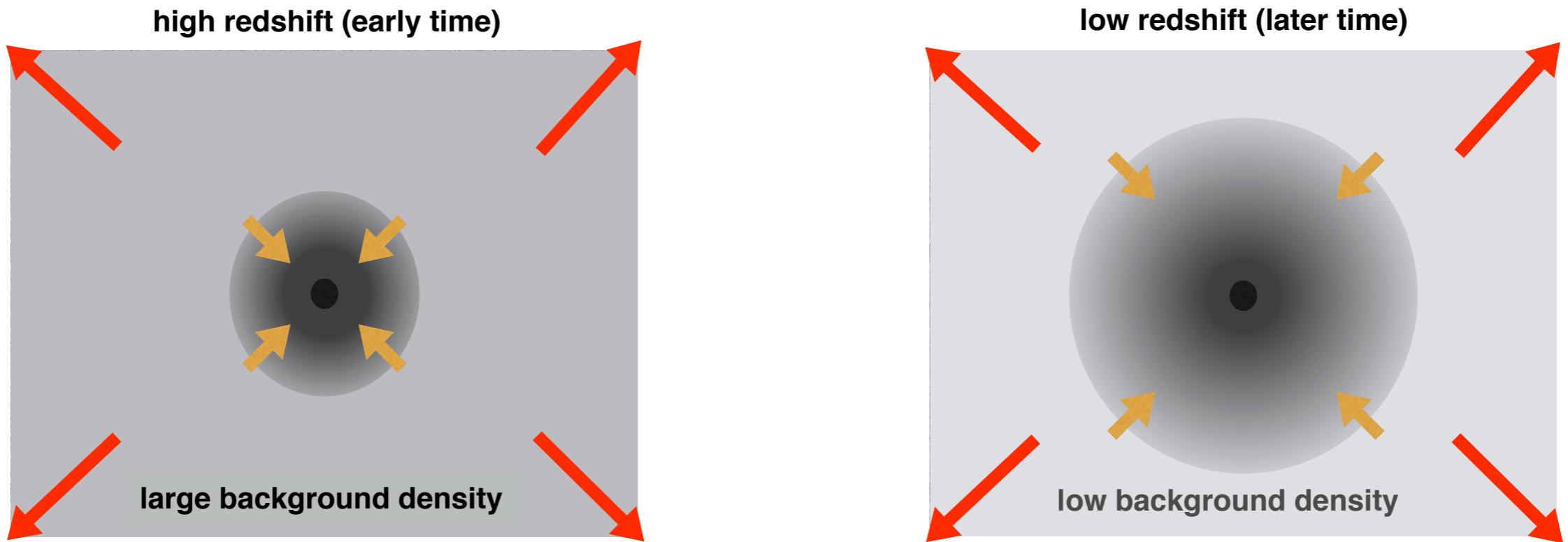
- Survival
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- **Dark Matter**



Do *local* Dark Matter halos disrupt PBH binaries?

Black Holes' Dark Dress

PBHs seed the formation of 'local' DM halos:



$$R_{\text{tr}}(z) = 0.0063 \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{M_{\odot}} \right) \left(\frac{1 + z_{\text{eq}}}{1 + z} \right) \text{pc}$$

$$\rho(r) \propto r^{-9/4}$$

By matter-radiation equality, $M_{\text{halo}} \sim M_{\text{PBH}}$

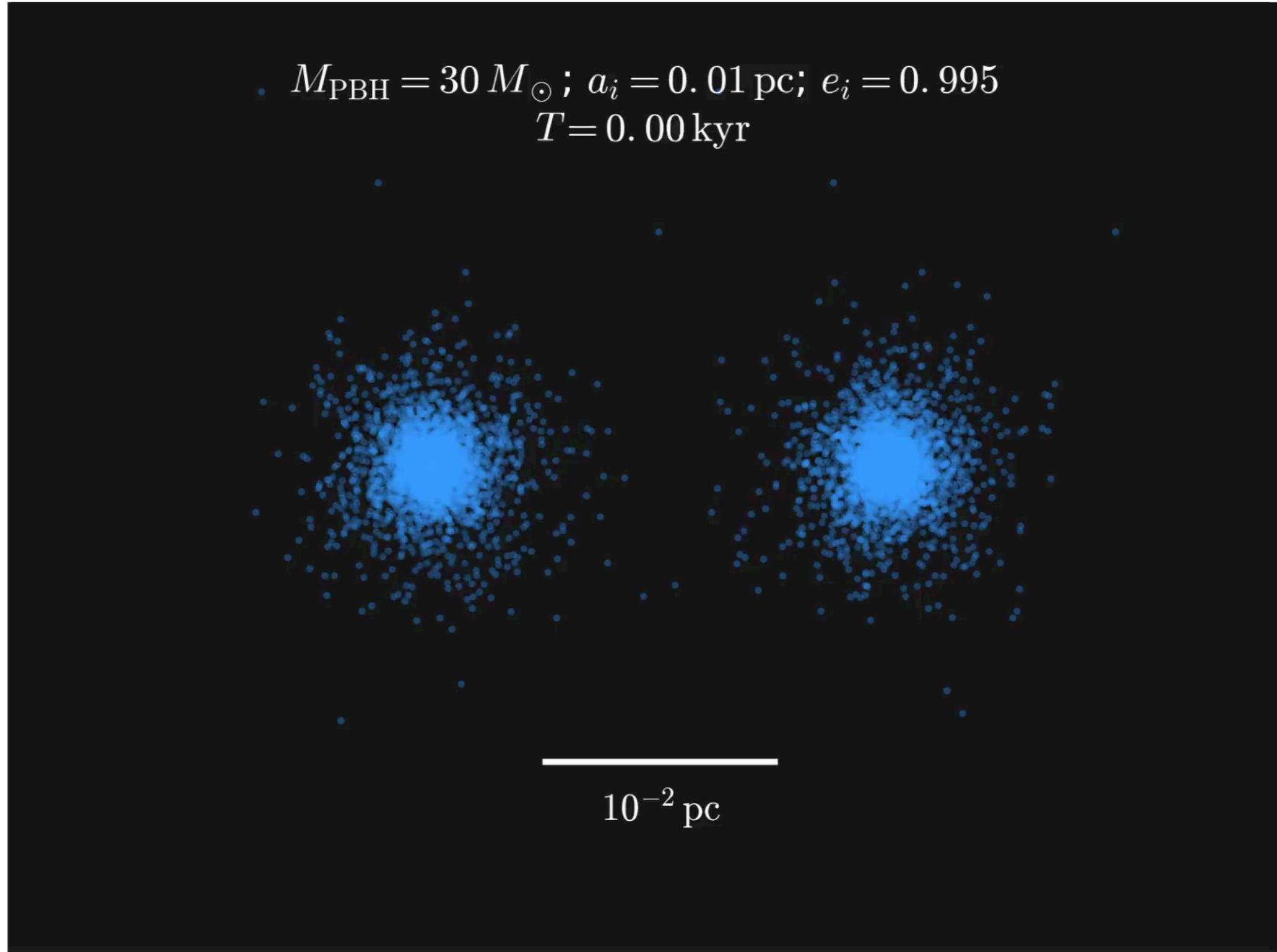
[[Bertschinger \(1985\)](#)]
[[0706.0864](#), [1901.08528](#)]

Slide shamelessly ripped off from Daniele Gaggero

Simulations

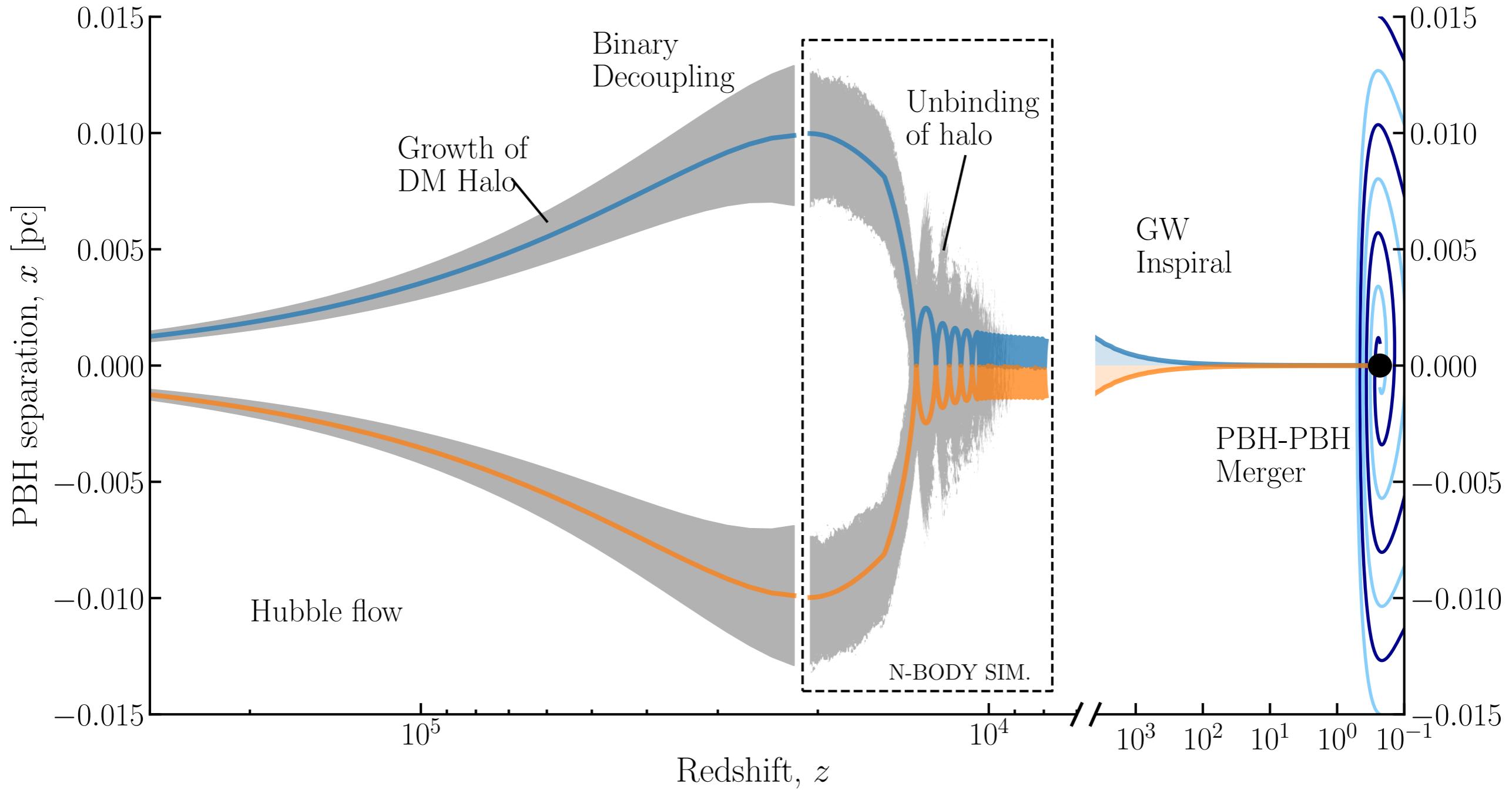
Use GADGET-2 as a pure N-body solver:

[Springel, [astro-ph/0505010](#)]



Movies at tinyurl.com/BlackHolesDarkDress

Life of a ‘dressed’ PBH binary



$$a_i = 0.01 \text{ pc}$$

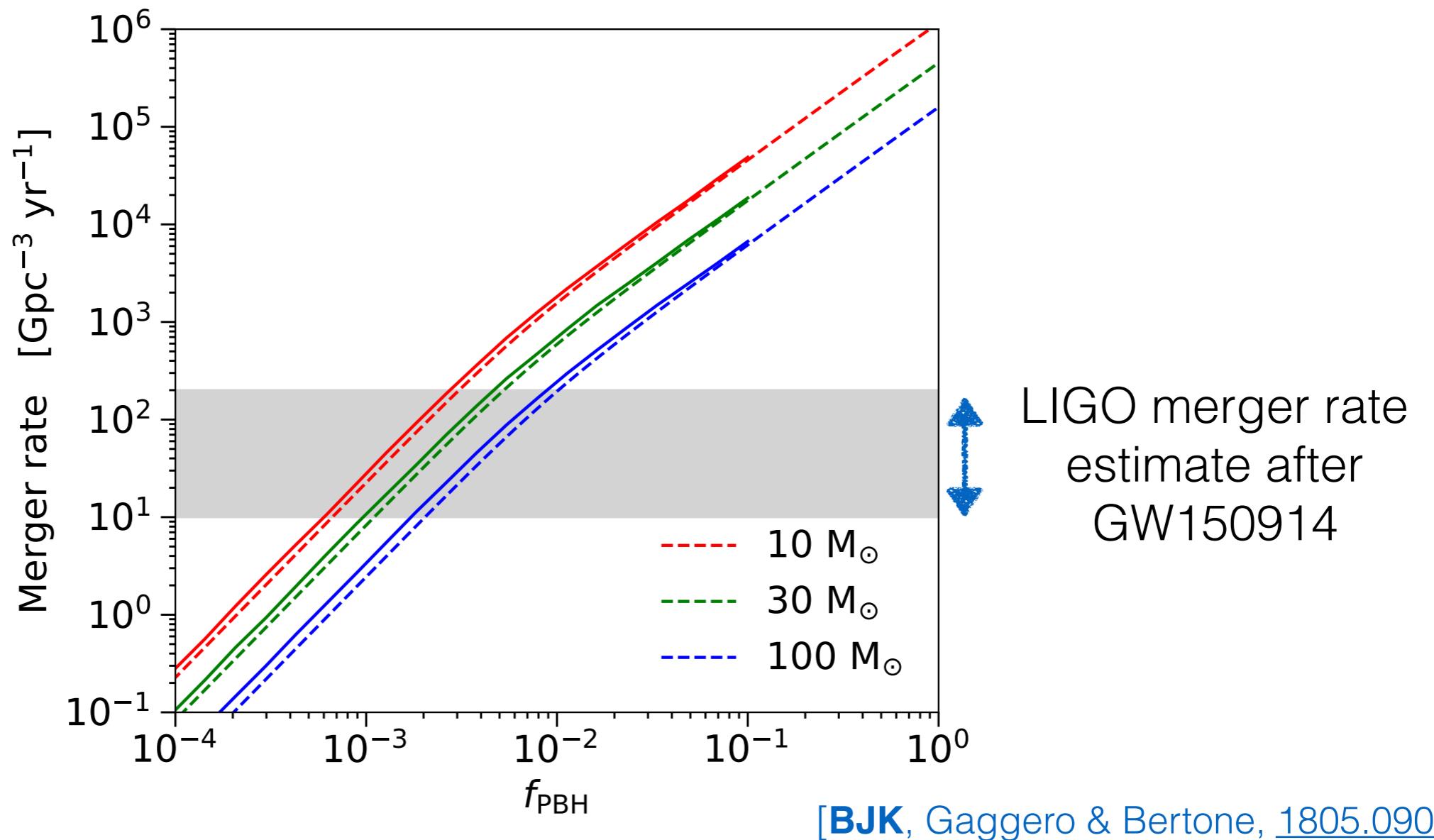
$$e_i = 0.995$$

Final Merger Rate

$$j = \sqrt{1 - e^2}$$

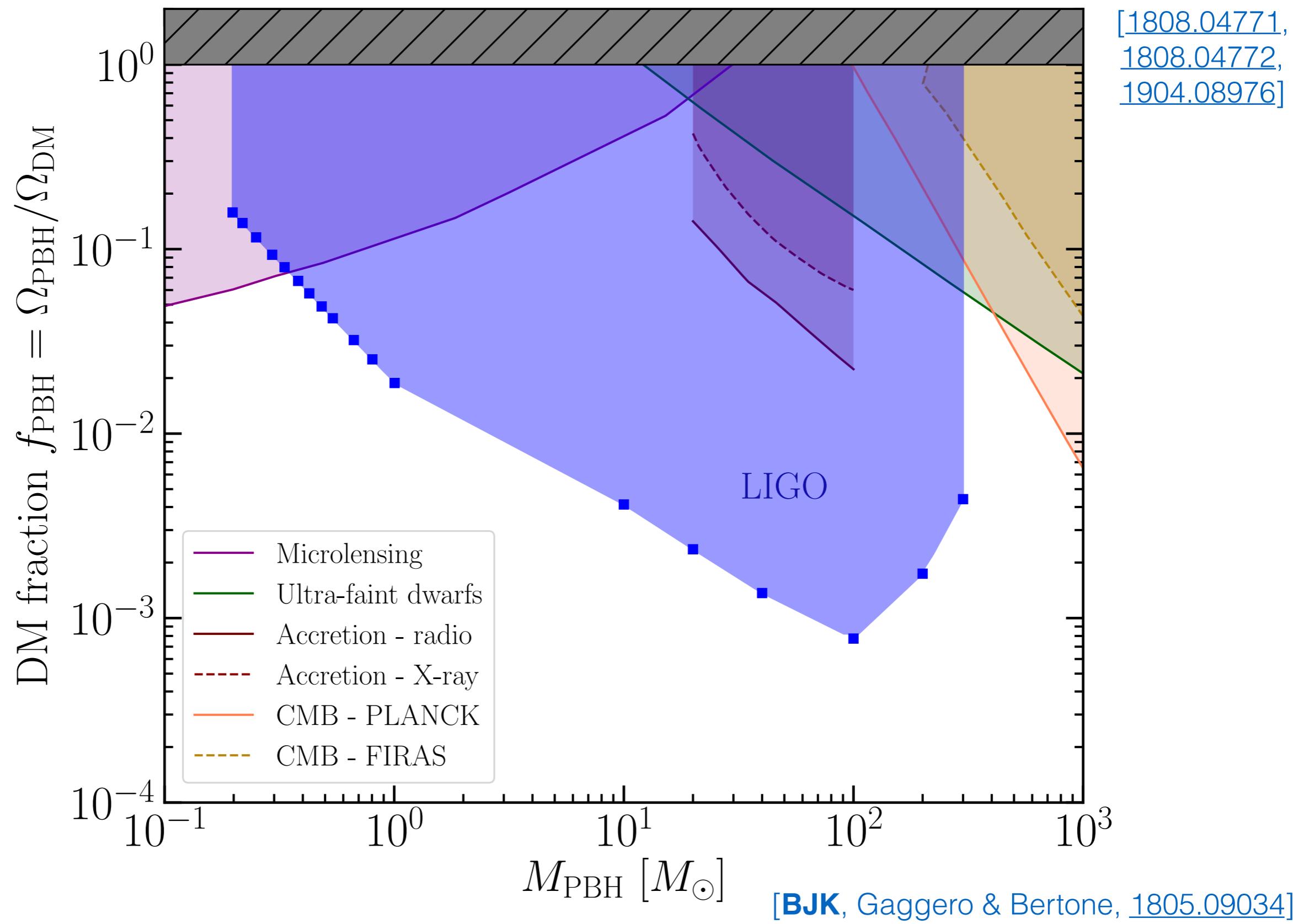
Guided by the simulations, map $(a_i, e_i) \rightarrow (a_f, e_f)$

Merger time $t_{\text{merge}} = \frac{3c^5}{170G_N^3} \frac{a^4 j^7}{M_{\text{PBH}}^3}$ is almost conserved: $t_f = \sqrt{\frac{a_i}{a_f}} t_i$



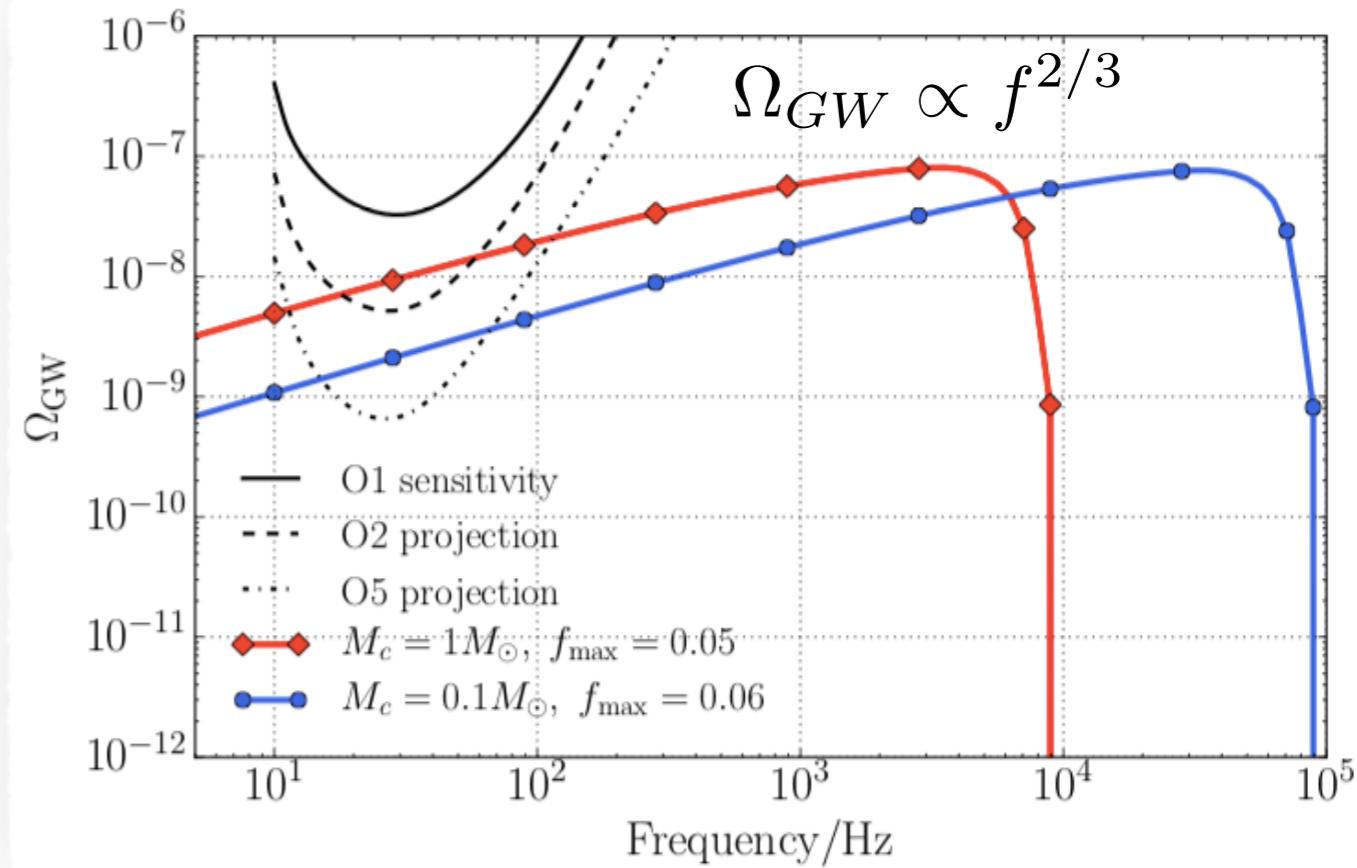
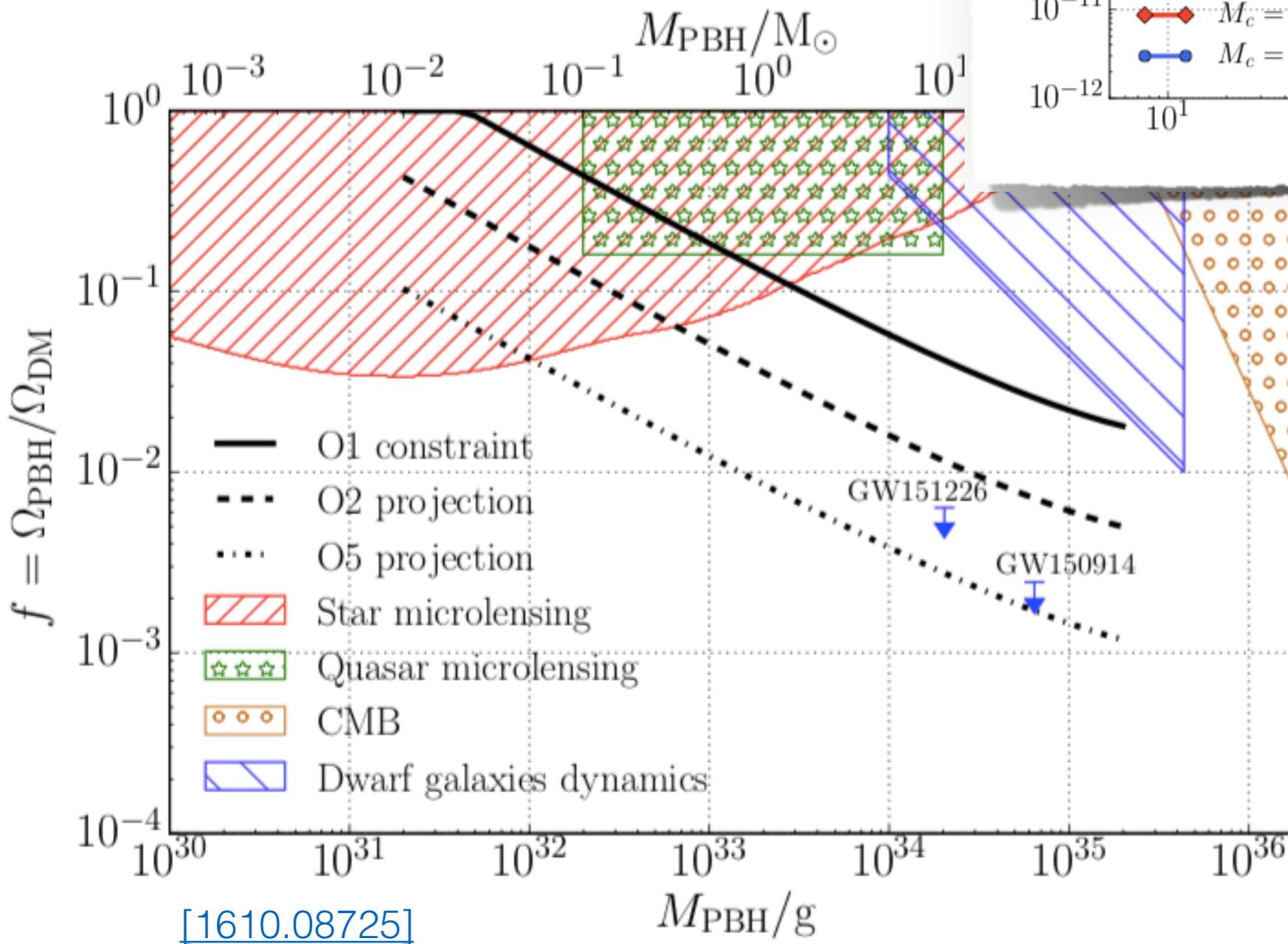
Limits from LIGO mergers

+ more recent sub-solar limits from LIGO



Stochastic Background

Background from PBH binary mergers over all of cosmic time



[See also:
[1610.08479](#),
[1903.02886](#),
[1904.02396](#)]

Discovery prospects

GW detection of sub-solar mass BHs

(LIGO O3,
now!)

GW detection of high redshift BHs ($z > 40$)

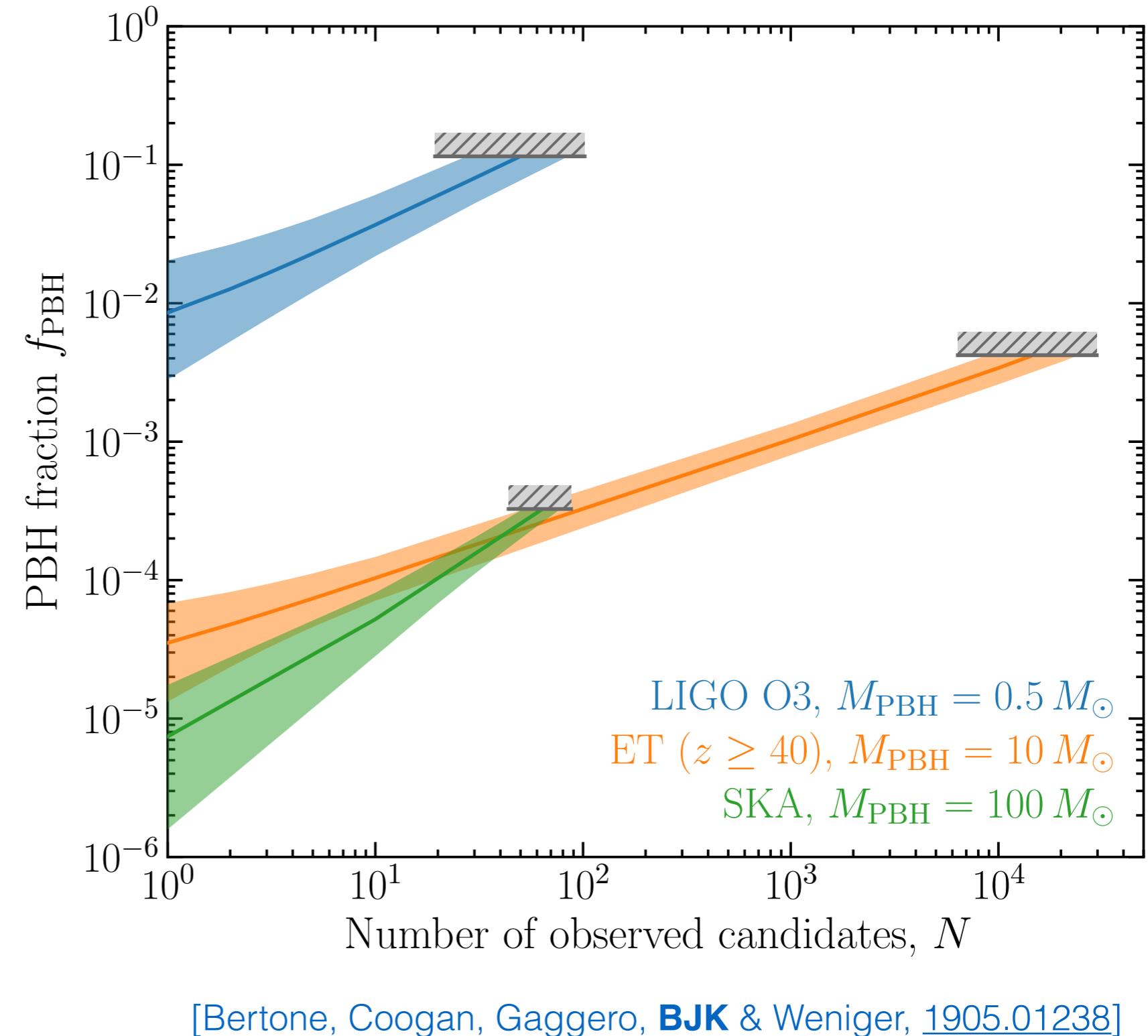
(Einstein Telescope,
mid-late 2020s)

[1708.07380]

Radio detection of accreting galactic PBHs

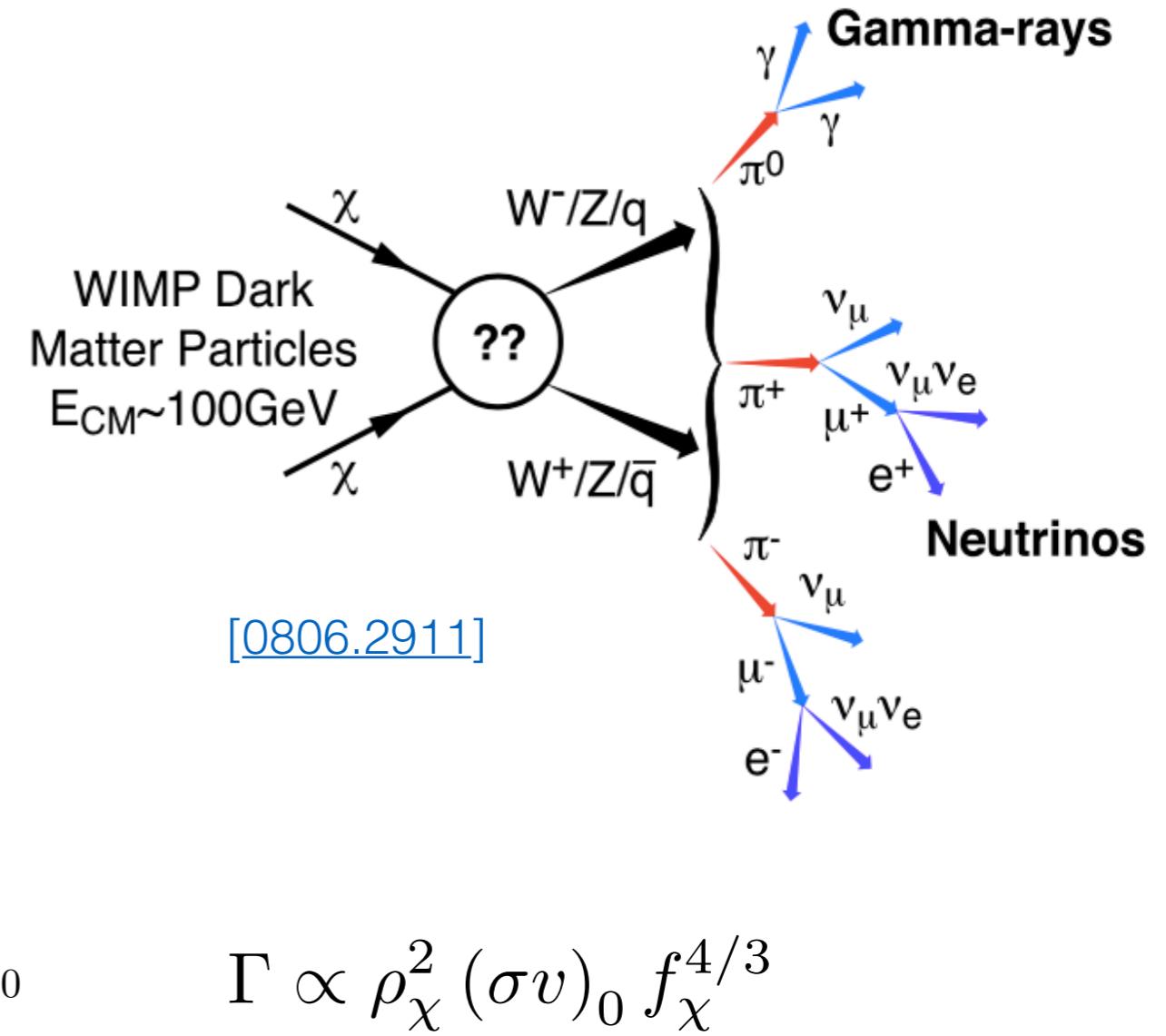
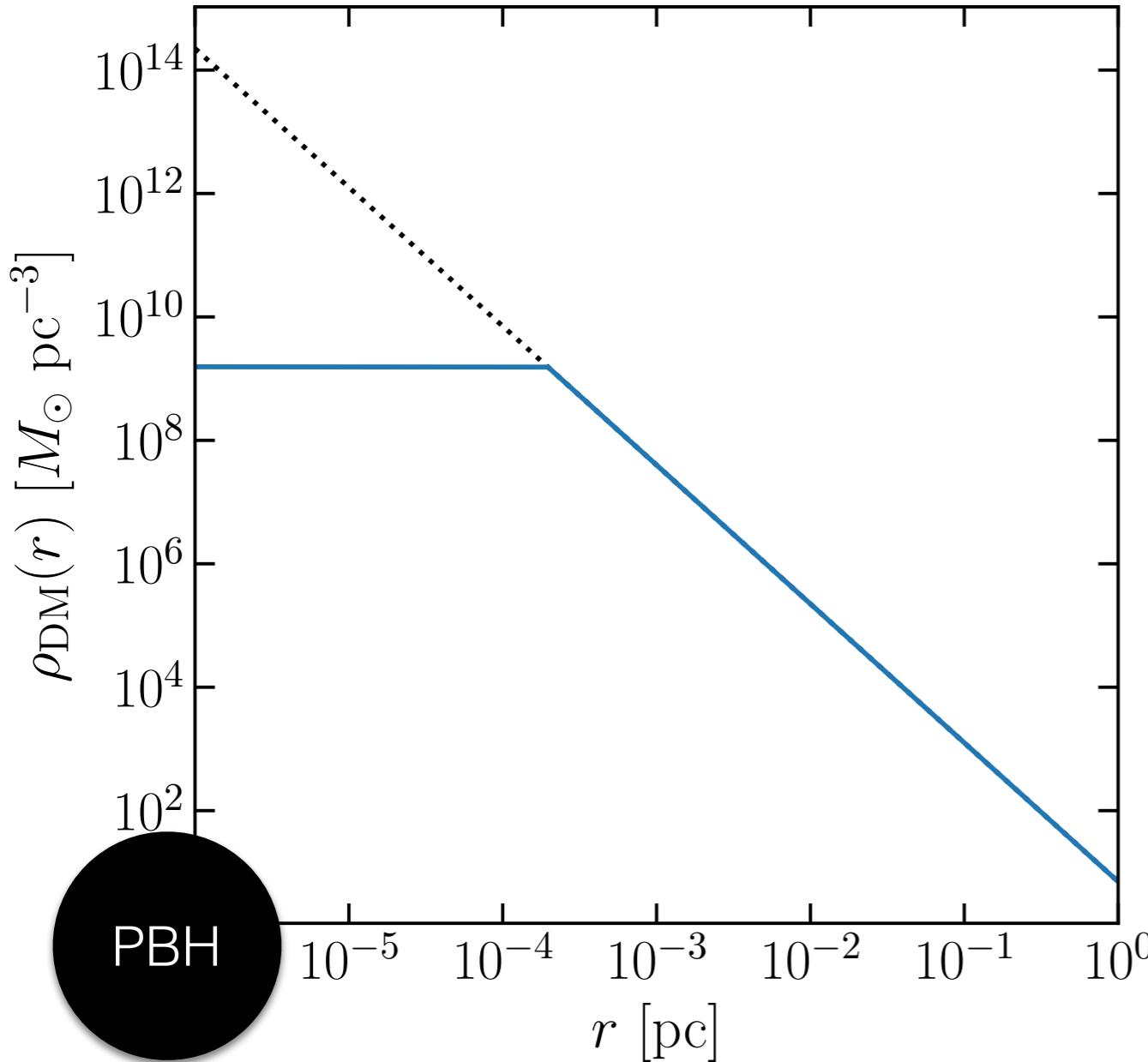
(Square Kilometre Array,
late 2020s)

[1812.07967]



WIMP annihilation

If the DM is a Weakly Interacting Massive Particle (WIMP), it can self-annihilate:



PBH population would act as bright *gamma-ray sources*

[\[1003.3466\]](#)

Werewolves

Werewolves: humans with the ability to shapeshift into a wolf, which are notoriously hard to kill

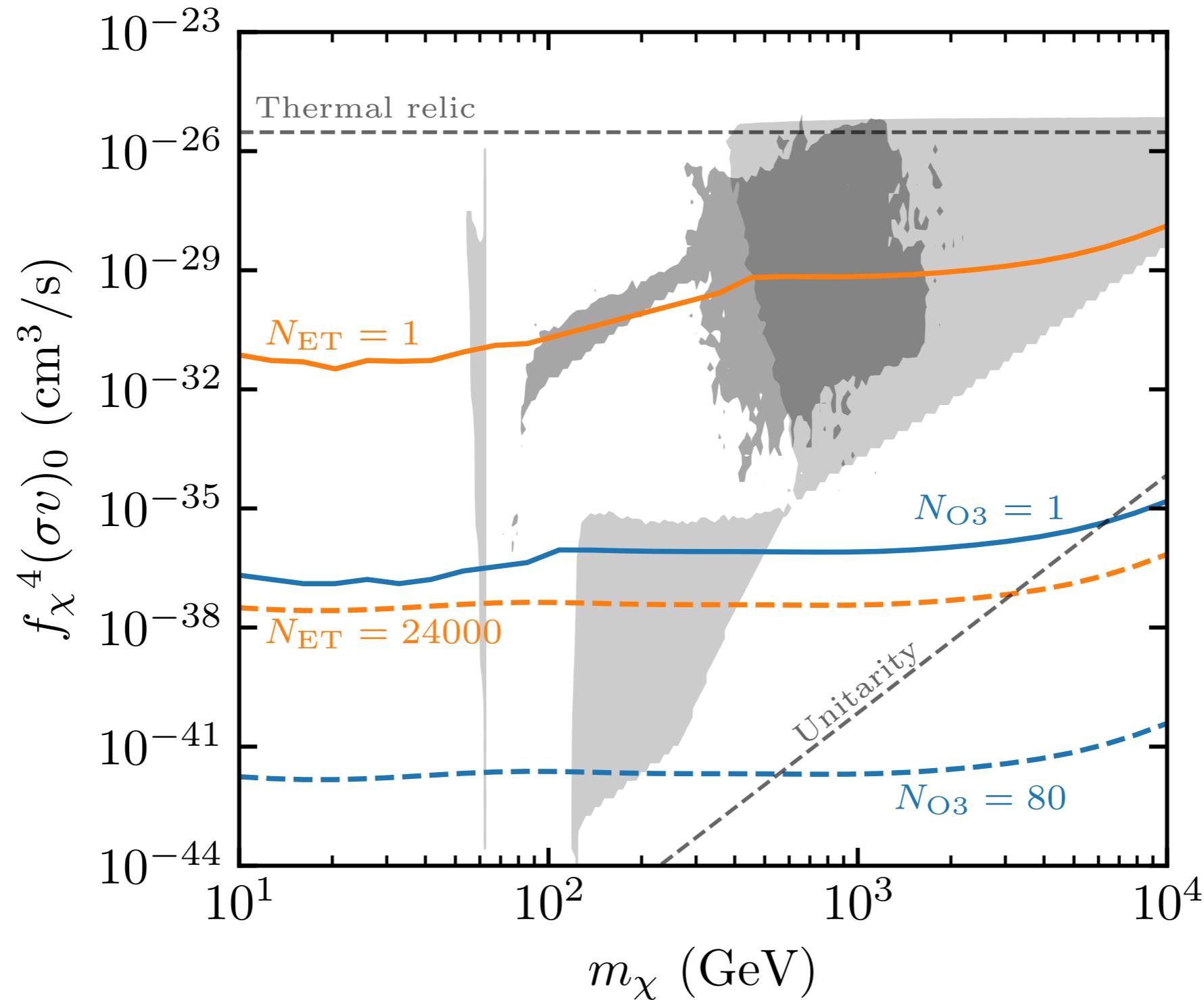


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Can be killed with **Silver Bullets**

Silver Bullets

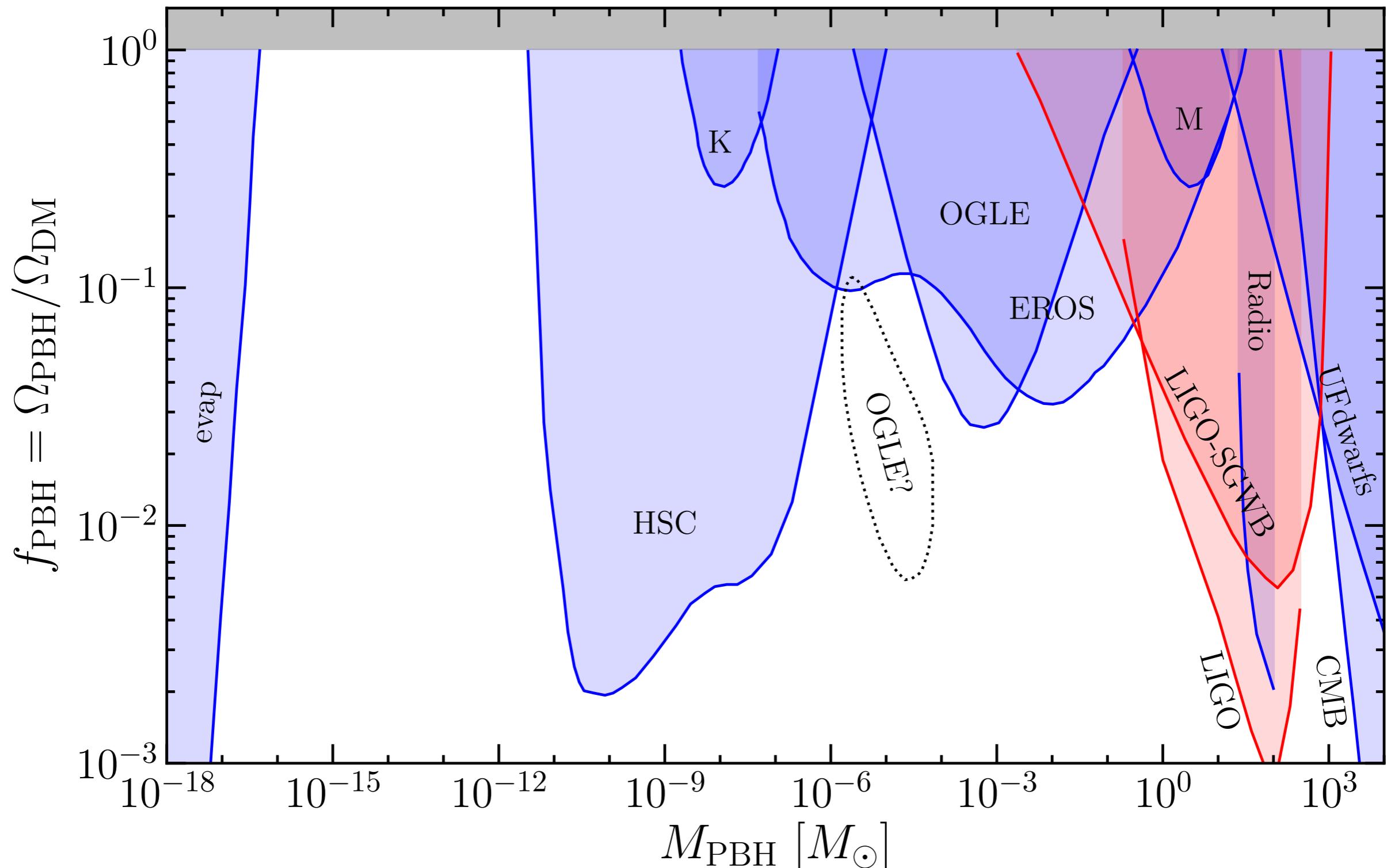
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Primordial Black Holes as '**Silver Bullets**' for New Physics at the Weak Scale
[Bertone, Coogan, Gaggero, **BJK** & Weniger, [1905.01238](#)]

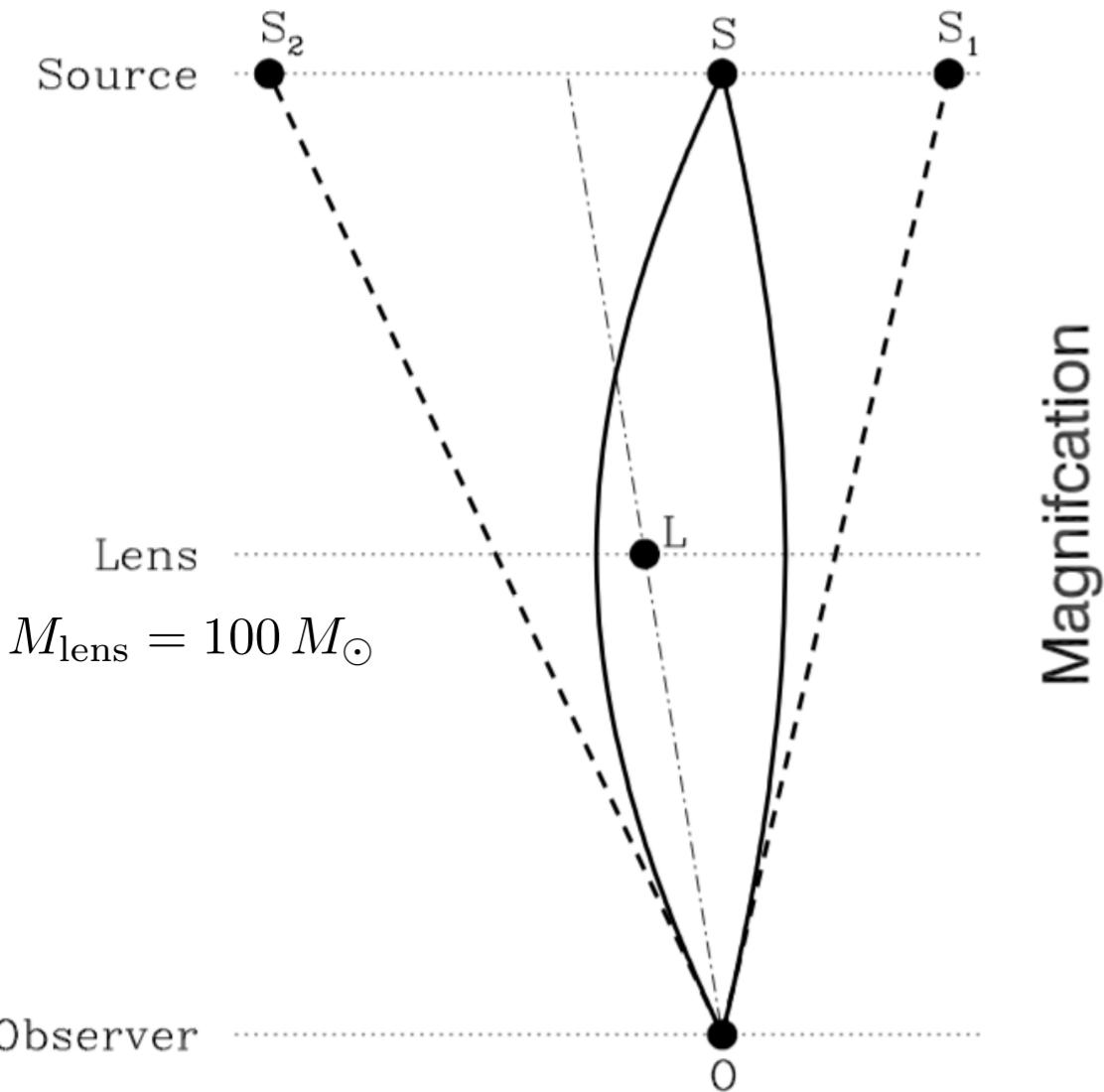
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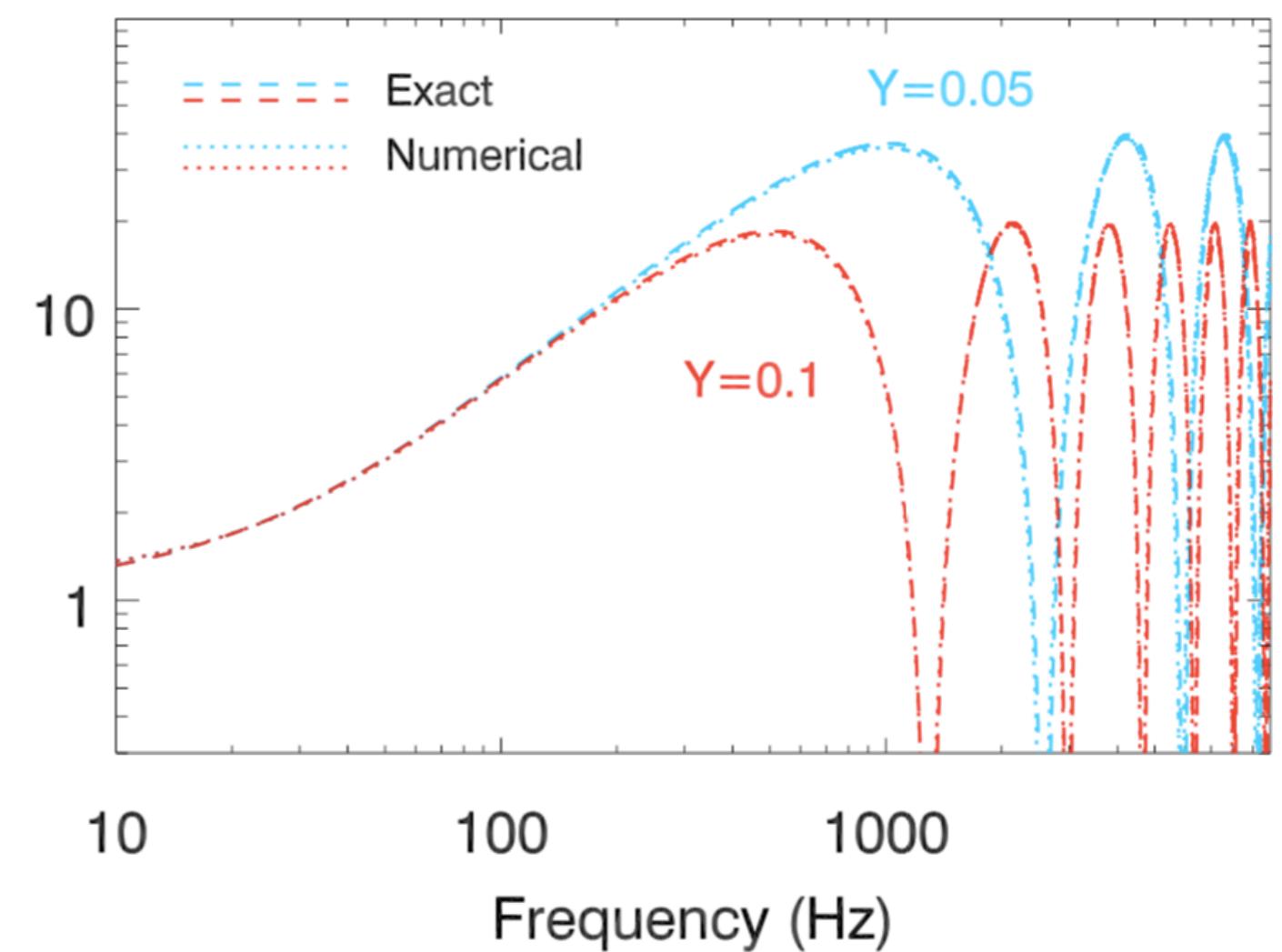


[See e.g. [1607.06077](#), [1801.00808](#), [1806.05195](#)]

GW Microlensing



[1903.04513]



[astro-ph/9812021]

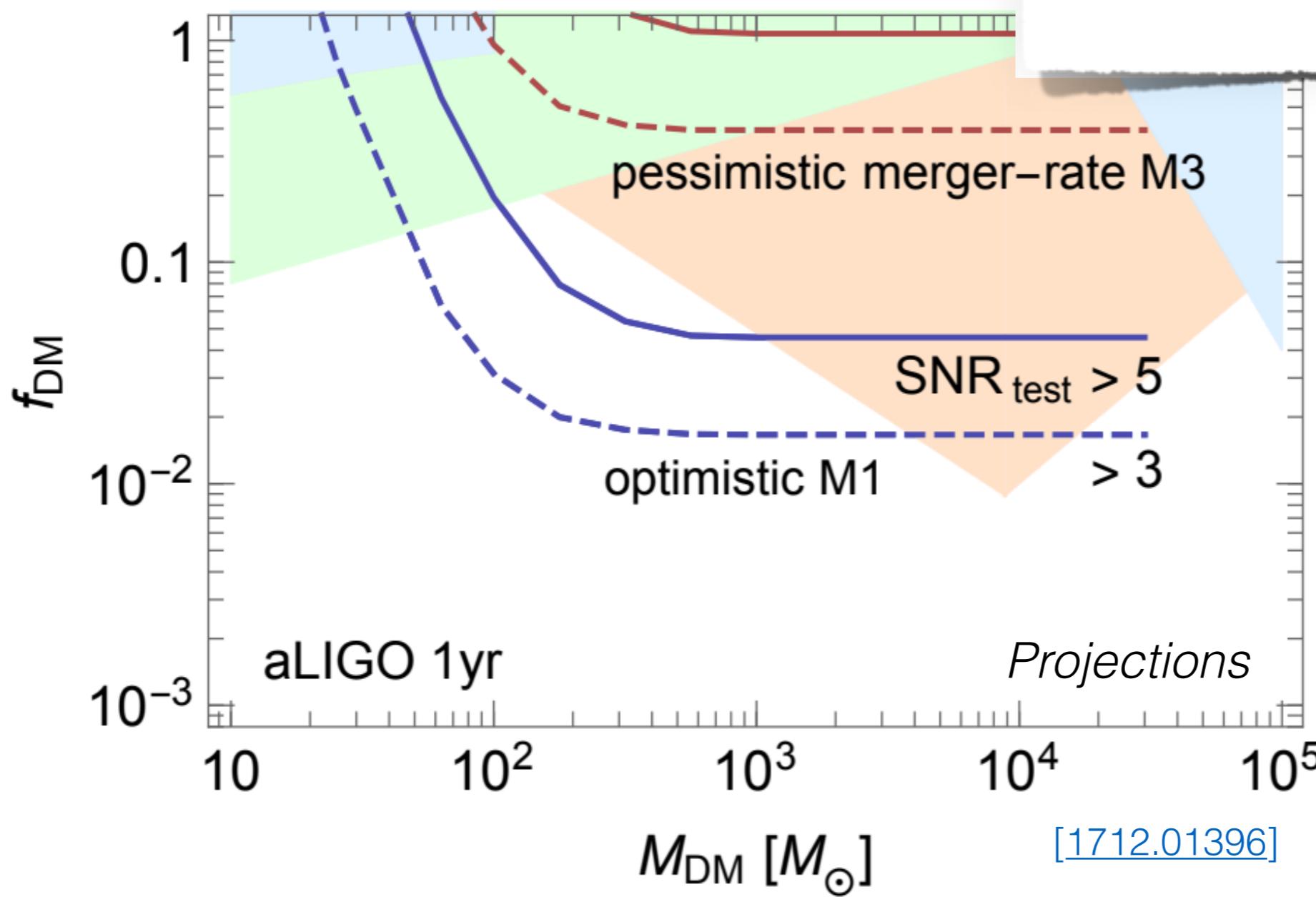
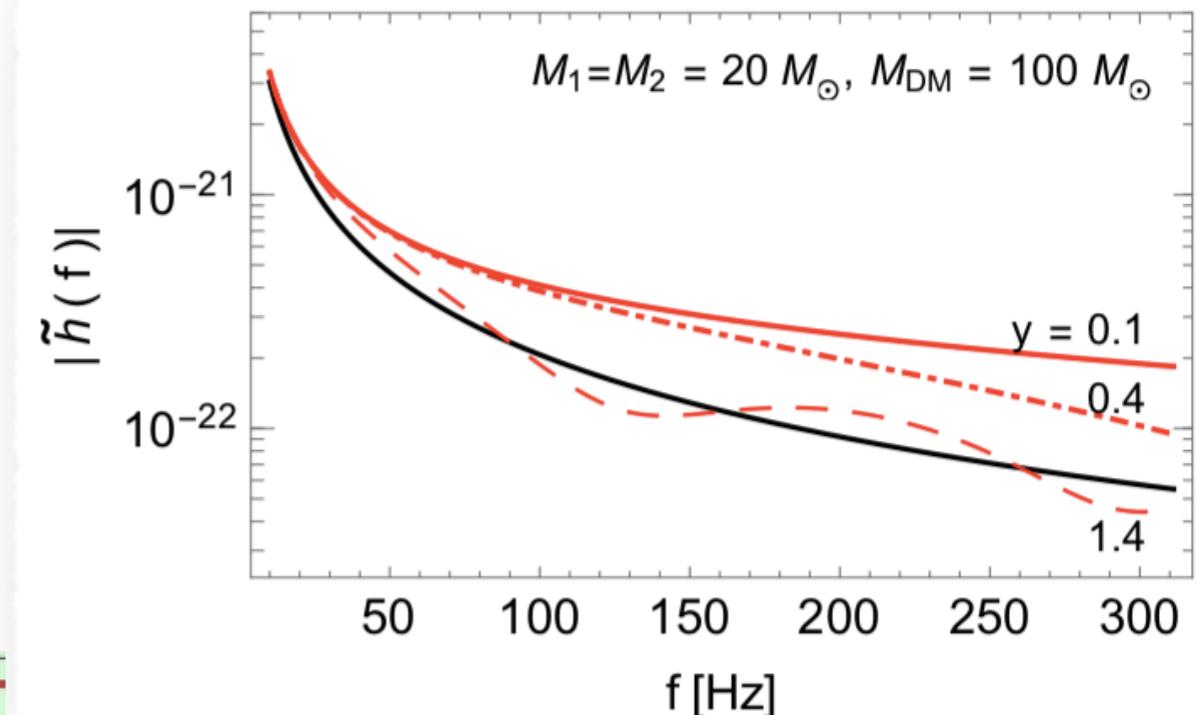
Relative time delay: Δt_d

Relative phase: $\Delta\phi \sim f\Delta t_d$

Frequency dependent magnification

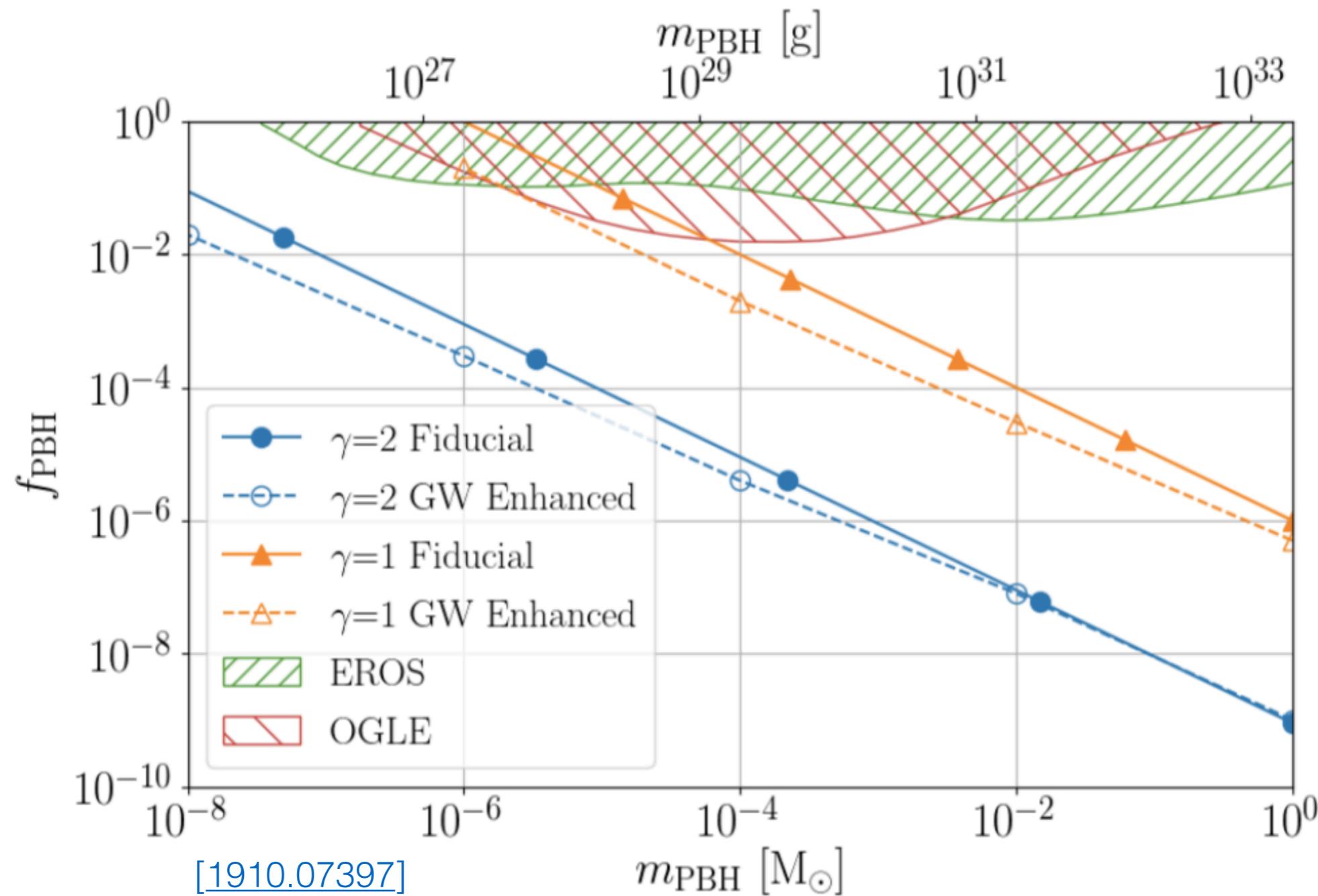
GW Microlensing

Could appear as unusual
GW lensing ‘fringes’ in waveforms...



SGWB with LISA

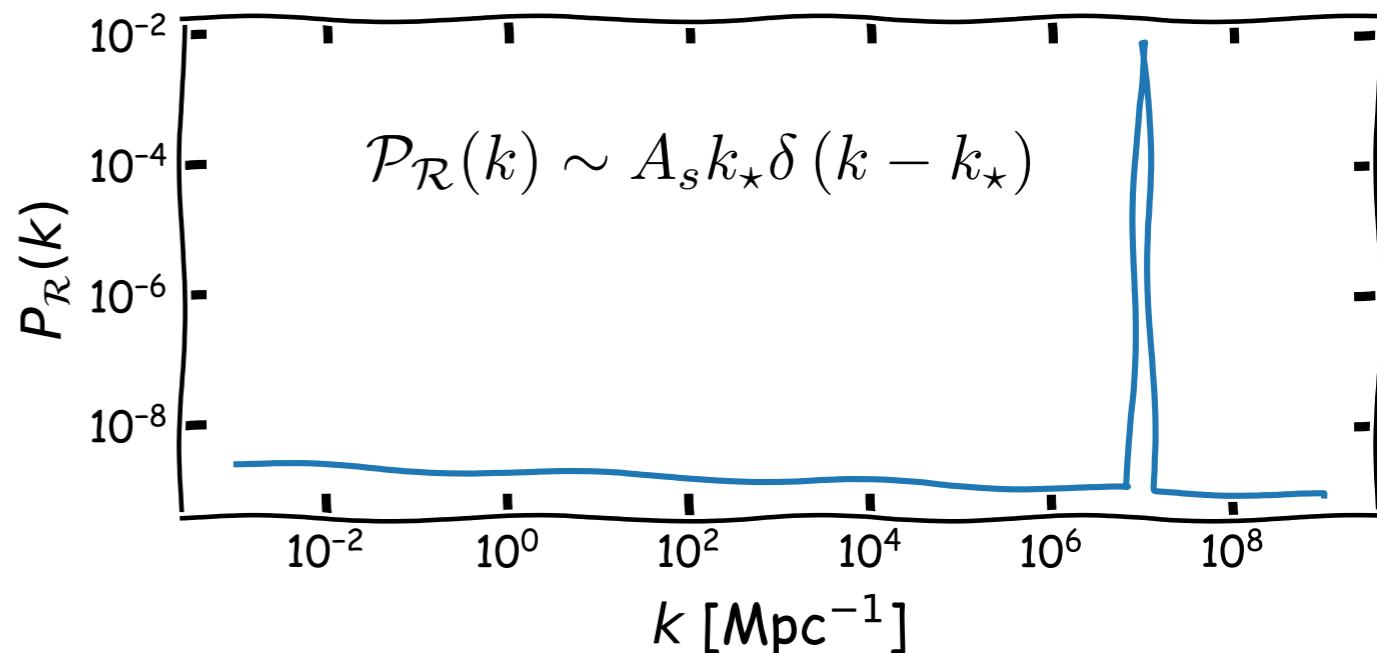
EMRIs: (sub)-stellar mass PBHs in a spike around (e.g.) Sagittarius A*



[See also [1709.03500](#)]

GWs from PBH Formation

PBHs may be formed from enhanced primordial scalar perturbations



At second order, these scalar perturbations can source tensor perturbations, leading to stochastic Gravitational waves



Scalar-induced Gravitational Waves (**SIGWs**)

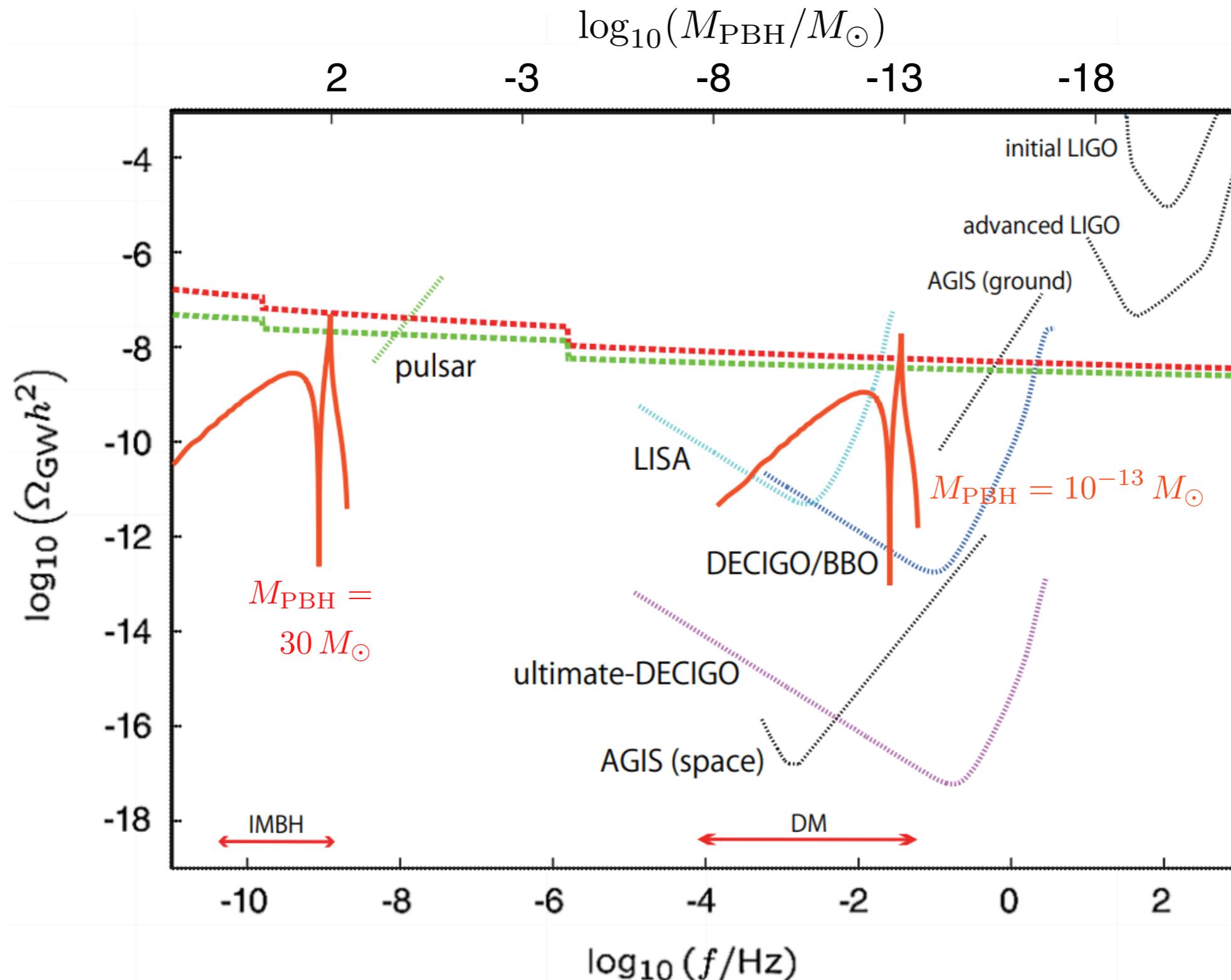
For perturbations on a scale k_\star , $M_{\text{PBH}} \simeq 1.4 \times 10^{13} M_\odot \left(\frac{k_\star}{\text{Mpc}^{-1}} \right)^{-2}$

The typical GW frequency scales as $f_{\text{GW}}^{\text{peak}} \sim k_\star$, giving:

$$f_{\text{GW}}^{\text{peak}} = 3 \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{M_\odot} \right)^{-1/2} \text{Hz}$$

[[astro-ph/0407611](#), [0812.4339](#), [1012.4697](#)]

Scalar-induced GWs



[More recently - [1810.11000](#), [1810.12218](#), [1906.11549](#)]

NANOGrav Constraints

95% upper limit for f_{pbh}

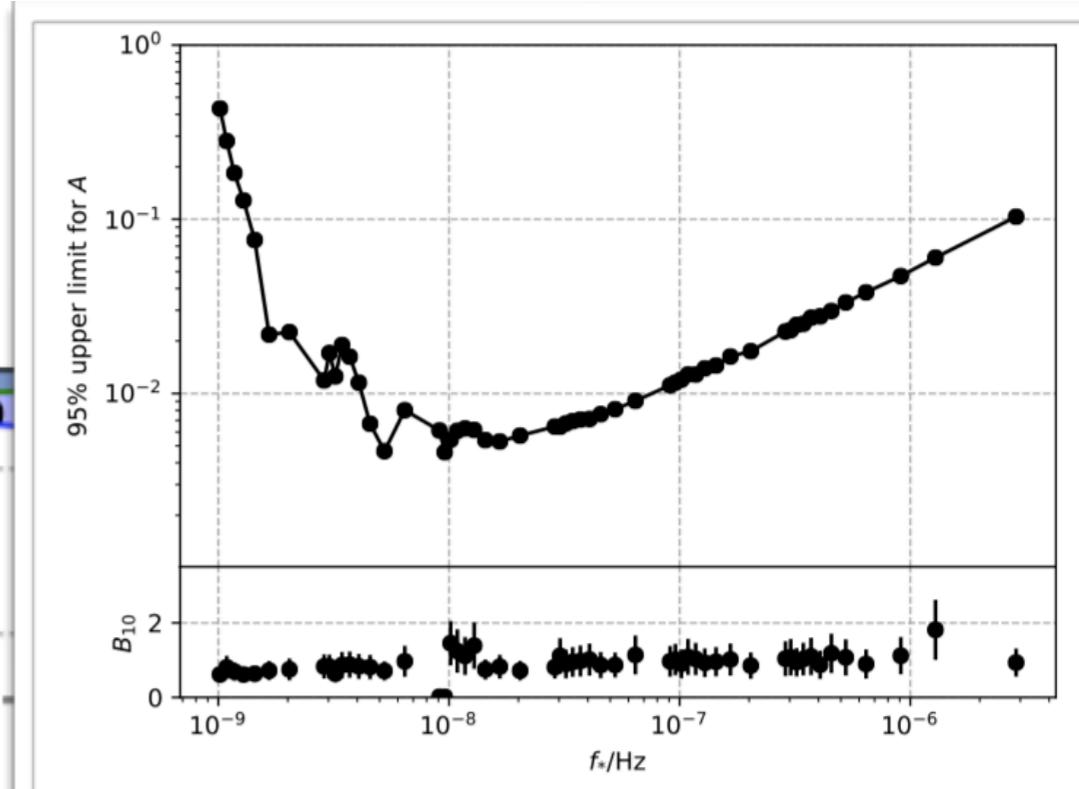
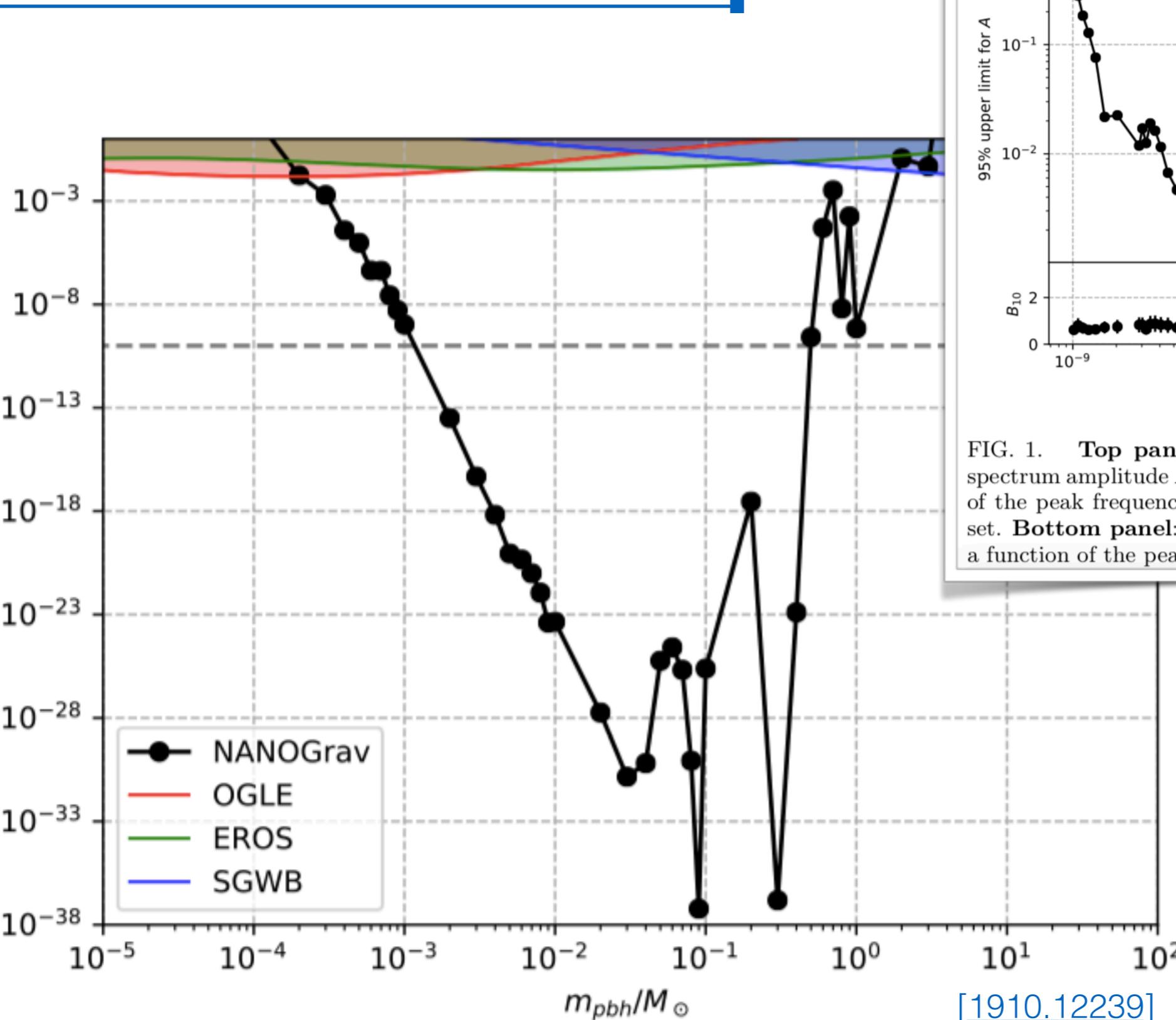
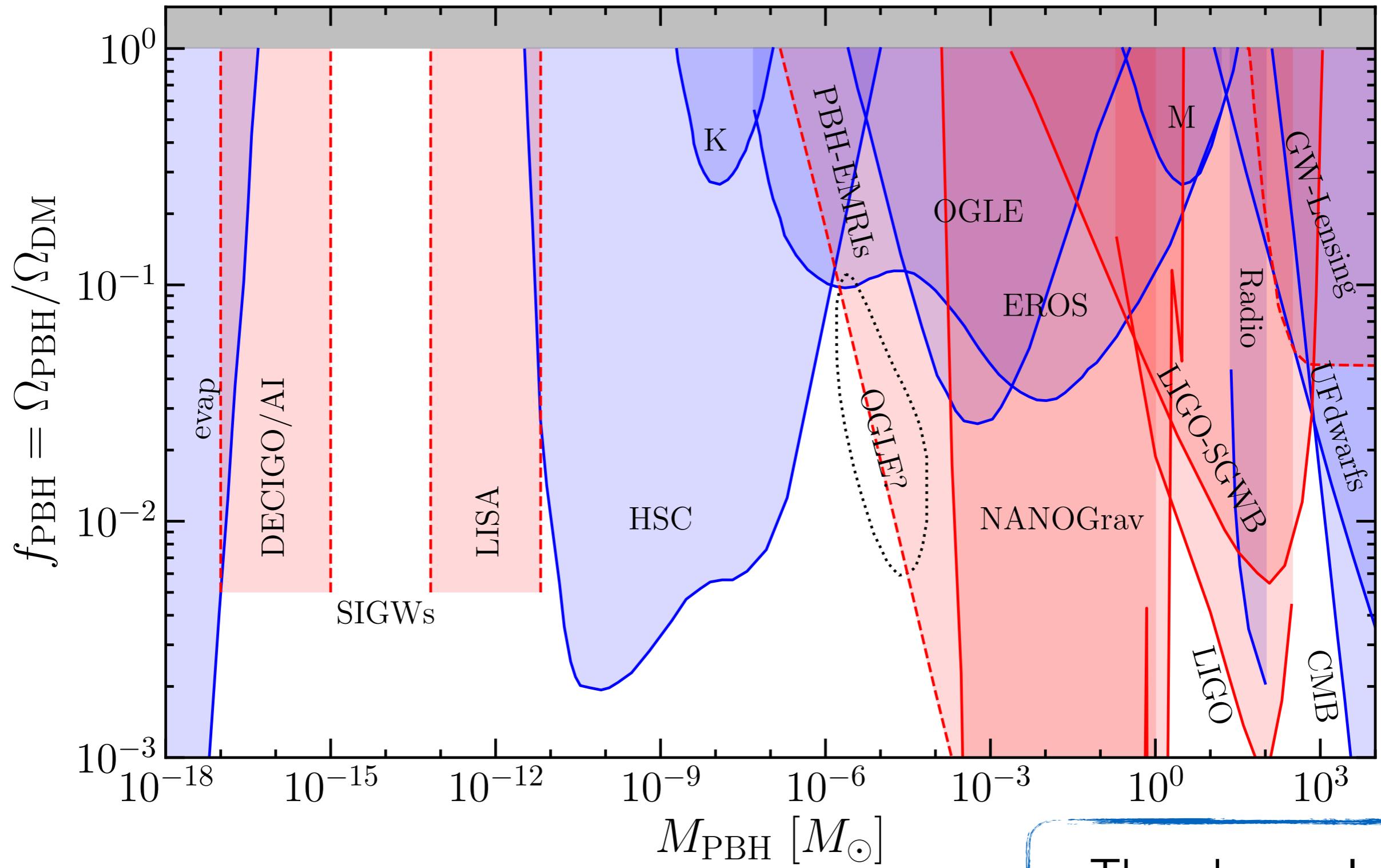


FIG. 1. **Top panel:** the 95% upper limits on the power spectrum amplitude A of curvature perturbation as a function of the peak frequency f_* from the NANOGrav 11-year data set. **Bottom panel:** the corresponding Bayes factors B_{10} as a function of the peak frequency f_* .

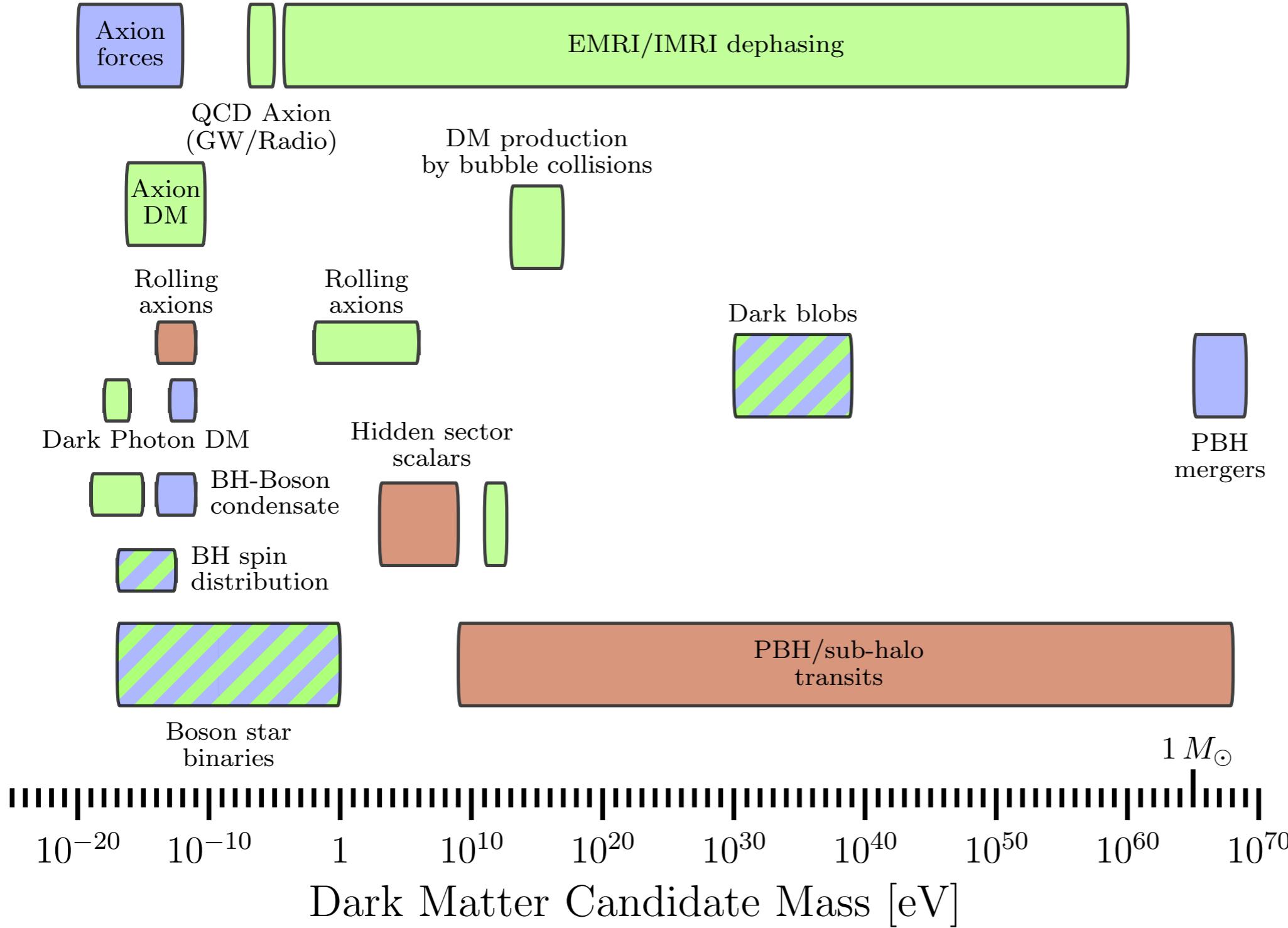
[See also Dan Stinebring's talk on NANOGrav, and [1801.01837](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.01837)]



[See e.g. [1607.06077](https://arxiv.org/abs/1607.06077), [1801.00808](https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.00808), [1806.05195](https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.05195)]

Backup Slides

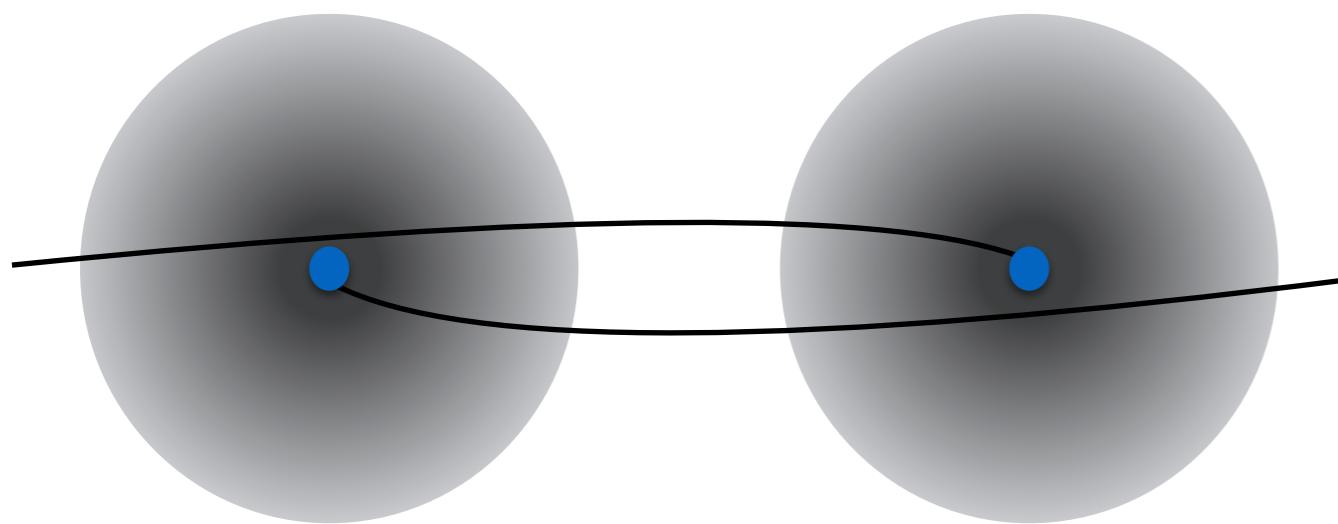
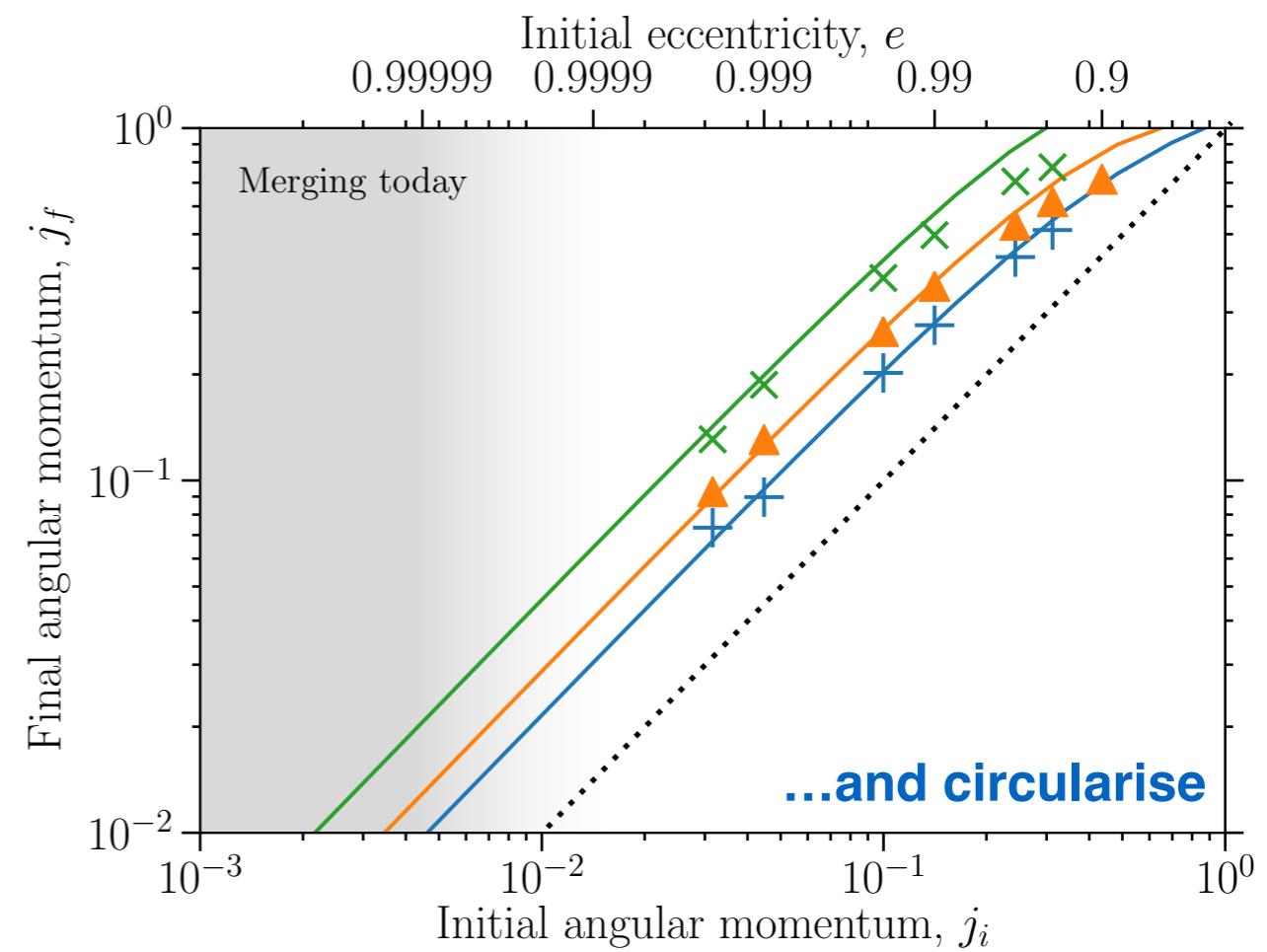
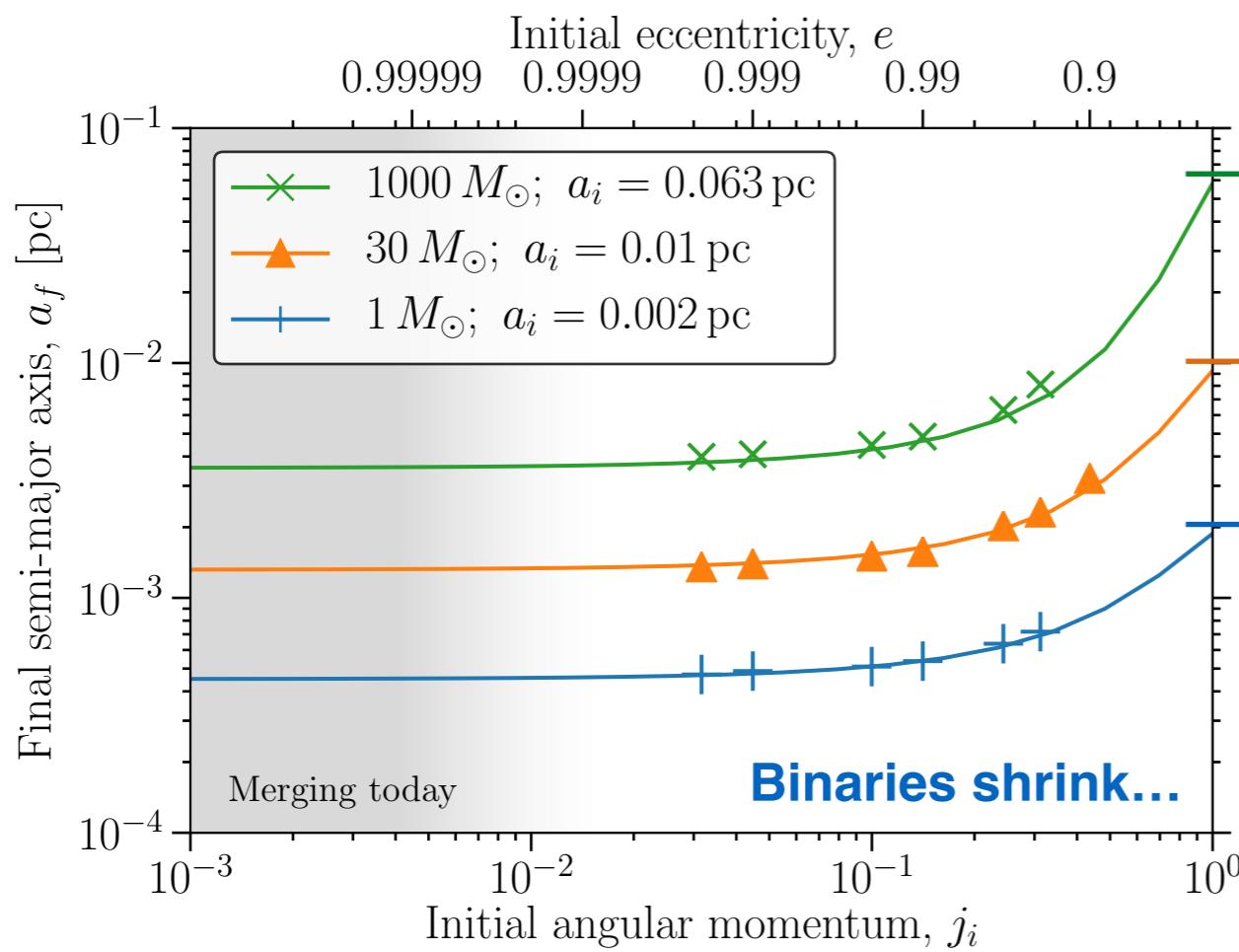
GW probes of DM



[1907.10610]

N-body Simulation Results

$$j = \sqrt{1 - e^2}$$



Conservation of angular momentum

$$L_i^{\text{PBH}} = L_f^{\text{PBH}}$$

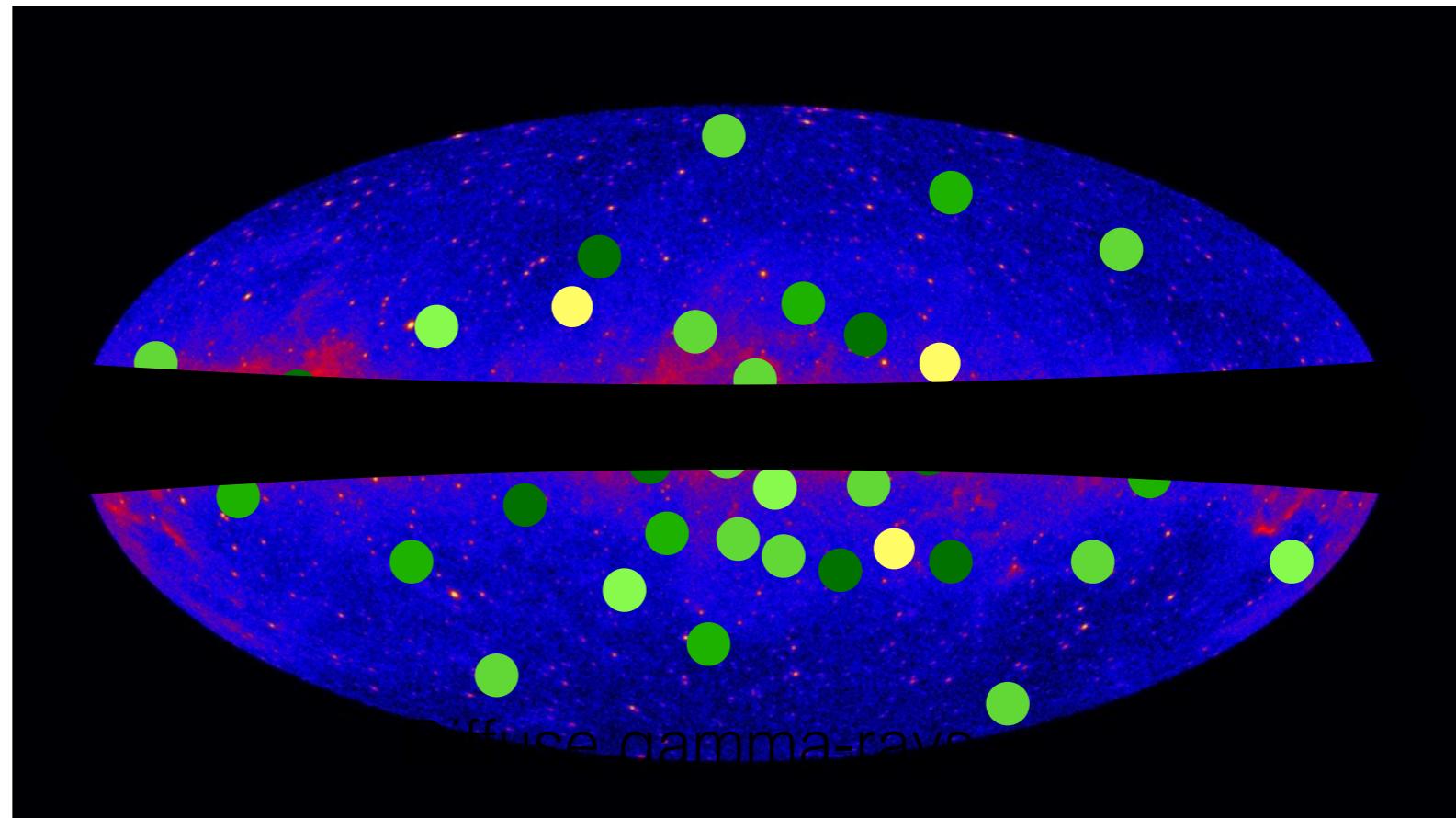
$$L_i^{\text{halo}} = L_f^{\text{halo}}$$

fixes $j_f = j_i \sqrt{a_i/a_f}$

Gamma-ray constraints

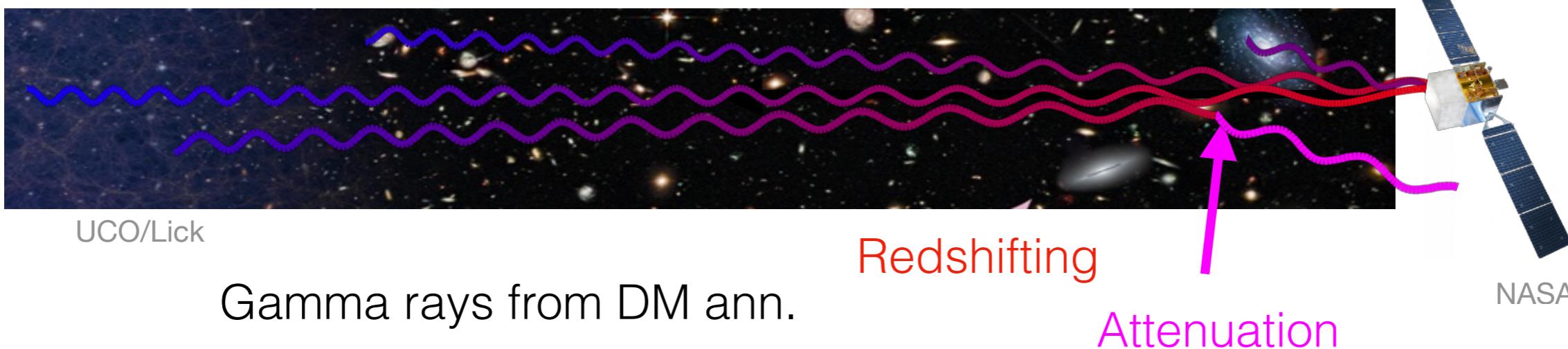
[Credit: Adam Coogan]

Point Sources in the Milky Way:



Fermi/NASA

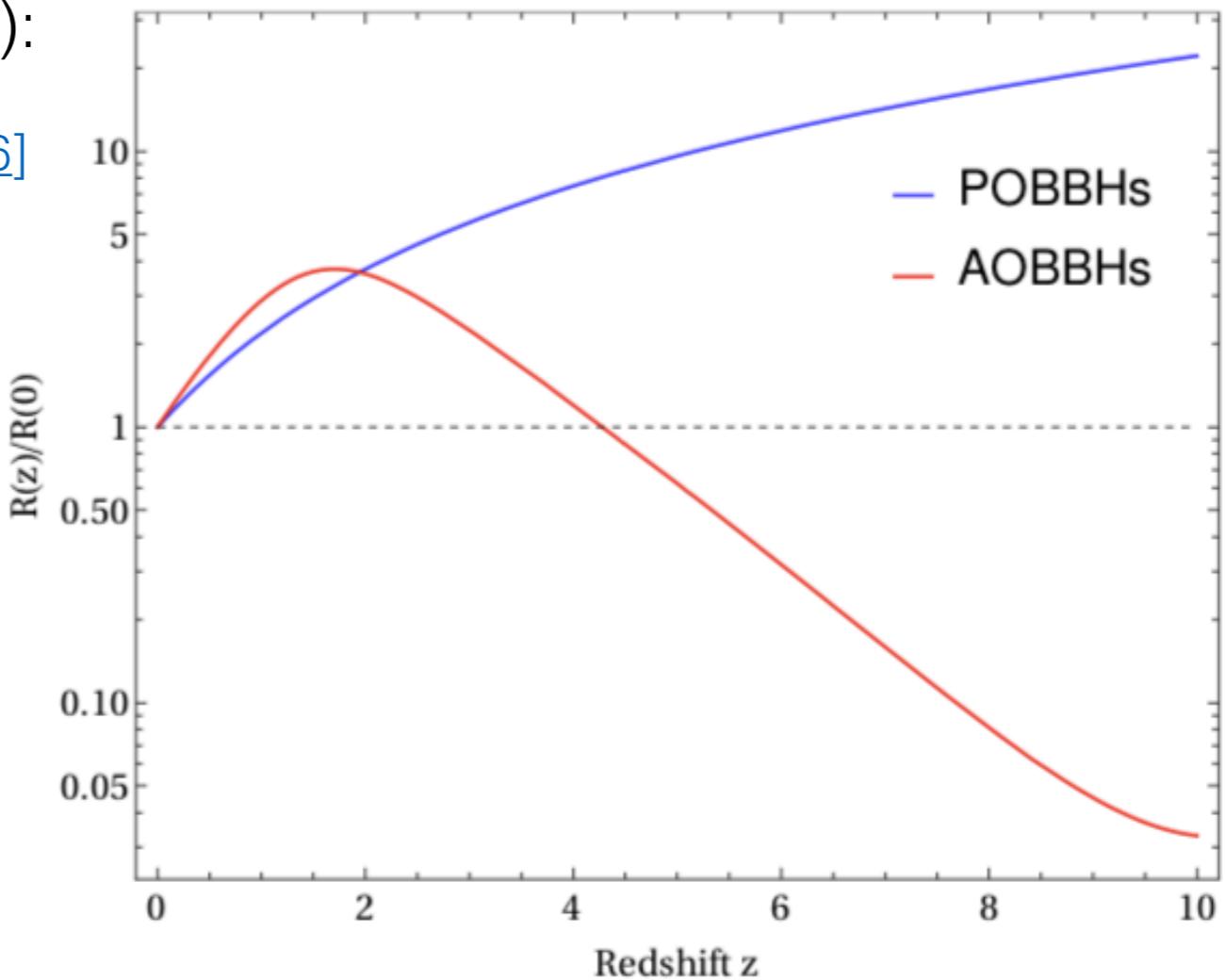
Diffuse (cosmological) background:



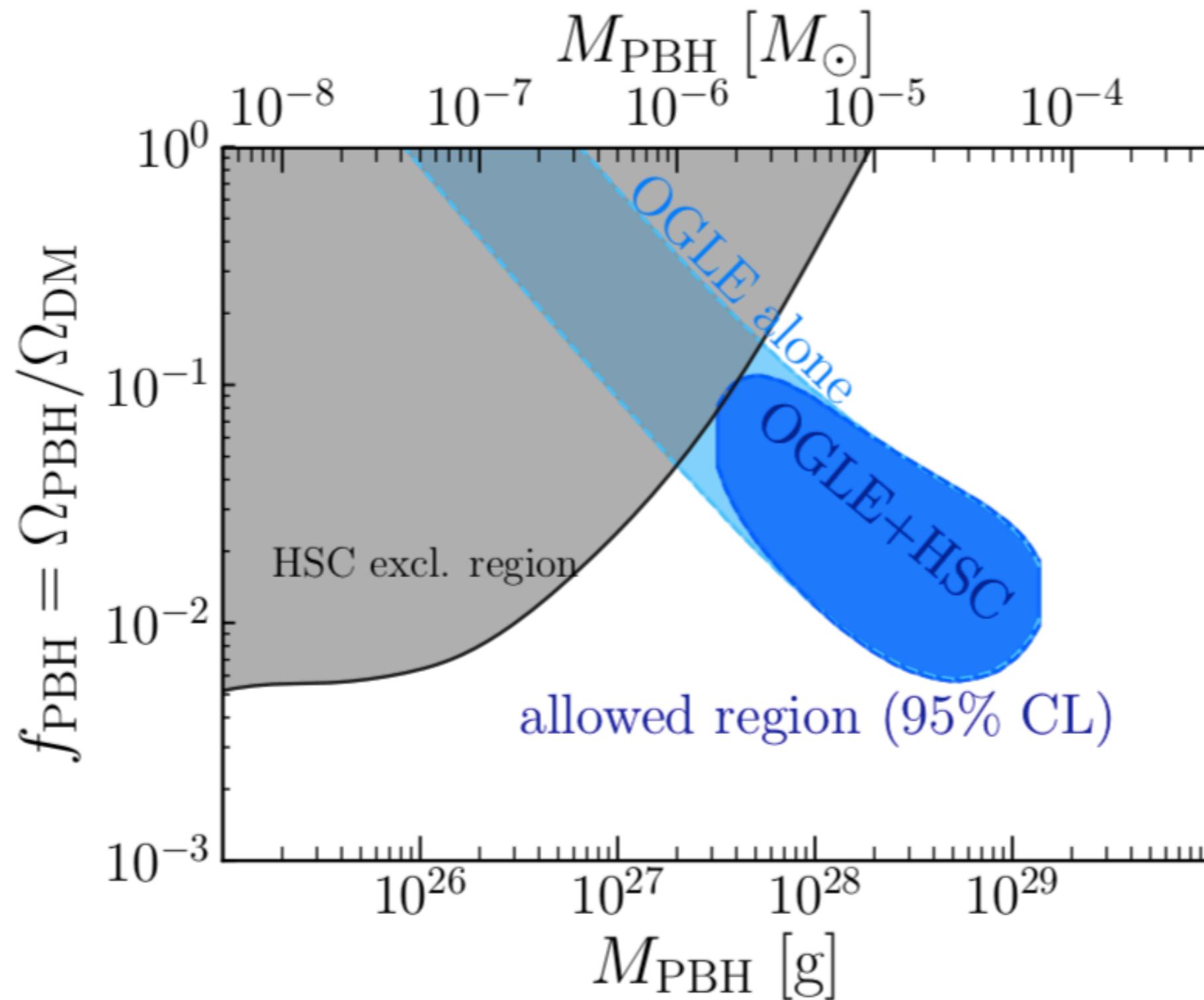
Astrophysical vs Primordial

- Spin measurements [\[1905.13019\]](#)
- Population study of X-ray and Radio sources [\[1612.00457, 1812.07967\]](#)
- Sub-solar mass black holes [\[1808.04771, 1808.04772\]](#)
- High redshift ($z > 40$) black holes [\[1708.07380\]](#)
- Merger rate (over cosmic time):

[\[1904.02396\]](#)



OGLE ‘hint’



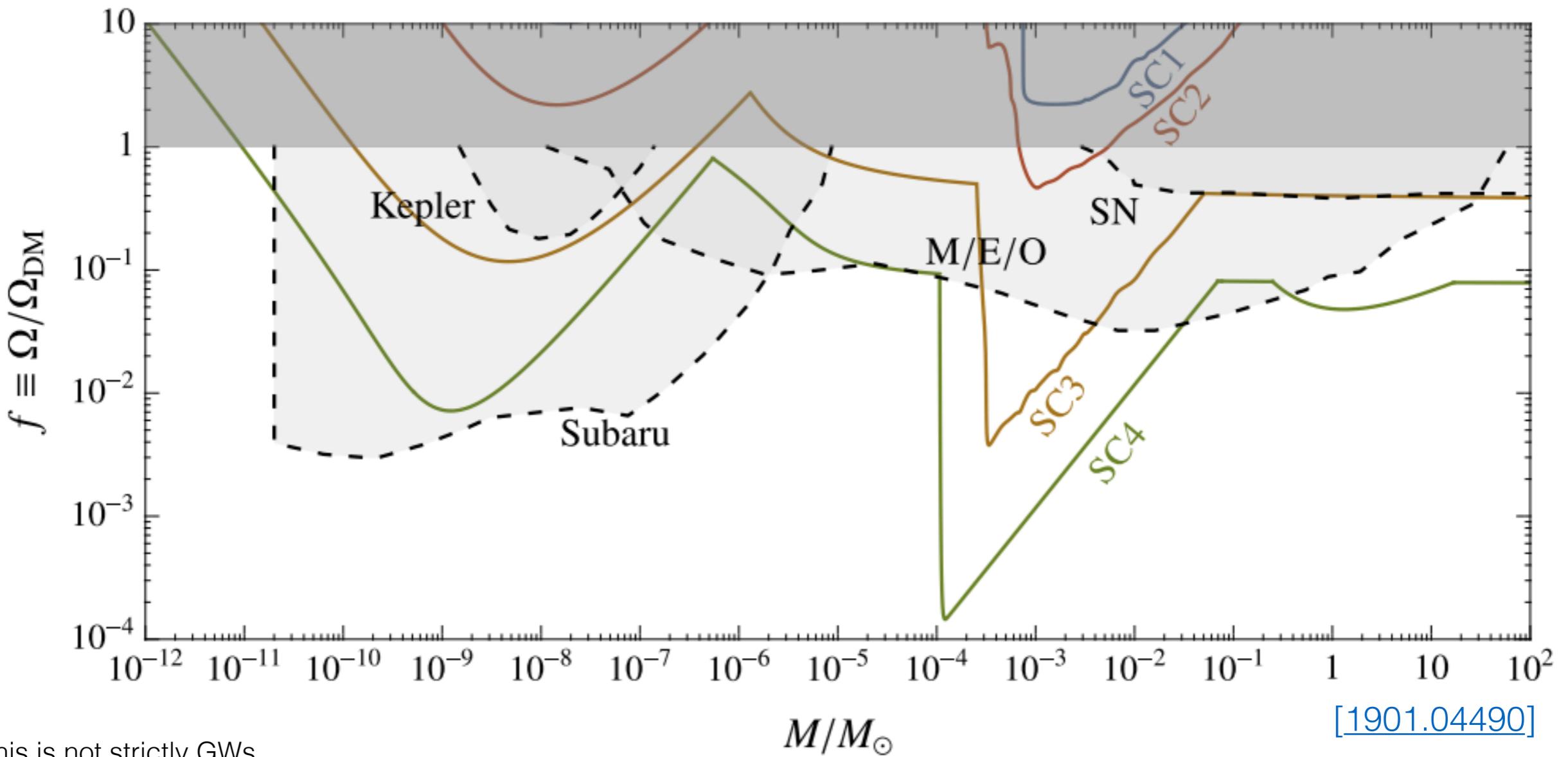
6 ultra-short timescale events

[OGLE - [1901.07120](#)]

Perturbing PTAs

[[astro-ph/0702586](#), [astro-ph/0702546](#)]

	T [yr]	t_{RMS} [ns]	Δt [wk]	d [kpc]	N_P
SC2 Current	5 – 30	50 – 10^4	1 – 4	0.5 – 5	73
SC3 SKA	20	50	2	5	200
SC4 Optimistic	20	25	1	10	1000

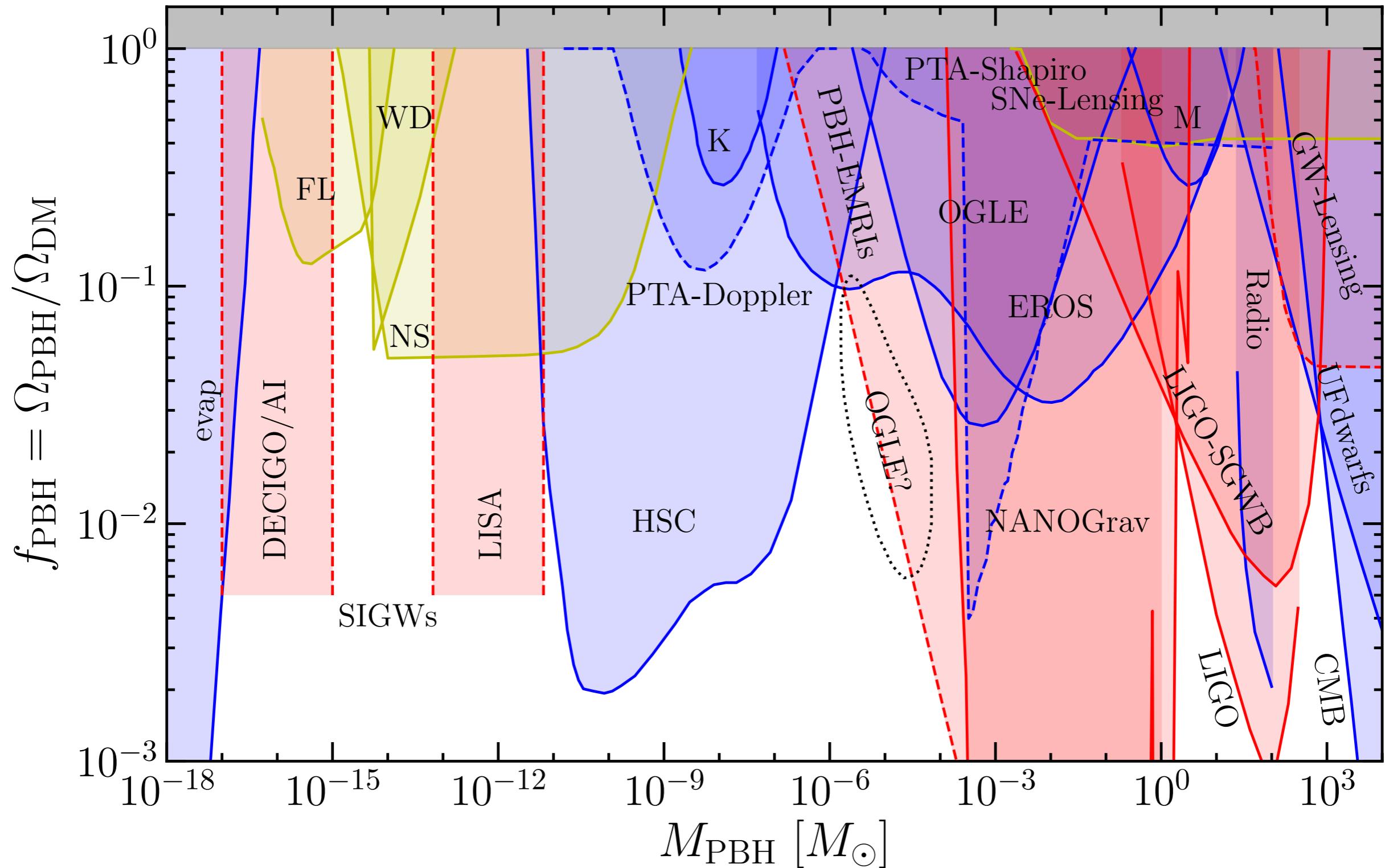


This is not strictly GWs...

[[1901.04490](#)]

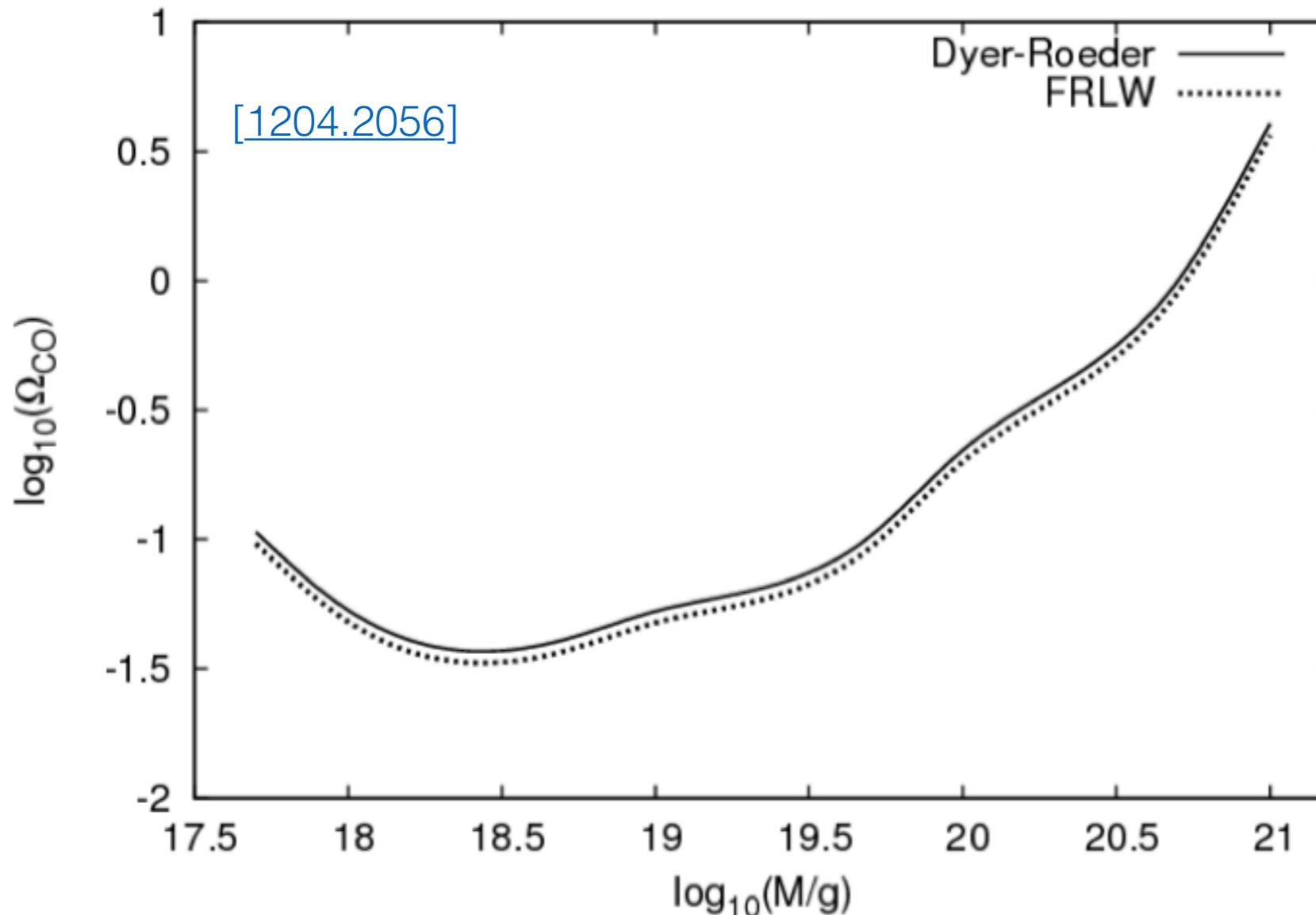
PBH Bounds

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Femto-lensing

‘Femto-lensing’ of gamma-ray bursts



This turns out not to be valid - because GRBs are not ‘point-like’
in the lens plane, geometric optics no longer valid.

[1807.11495]

GRBs generally too extended to be useful for FL.

[1906.05950]

Broad Mass Functions

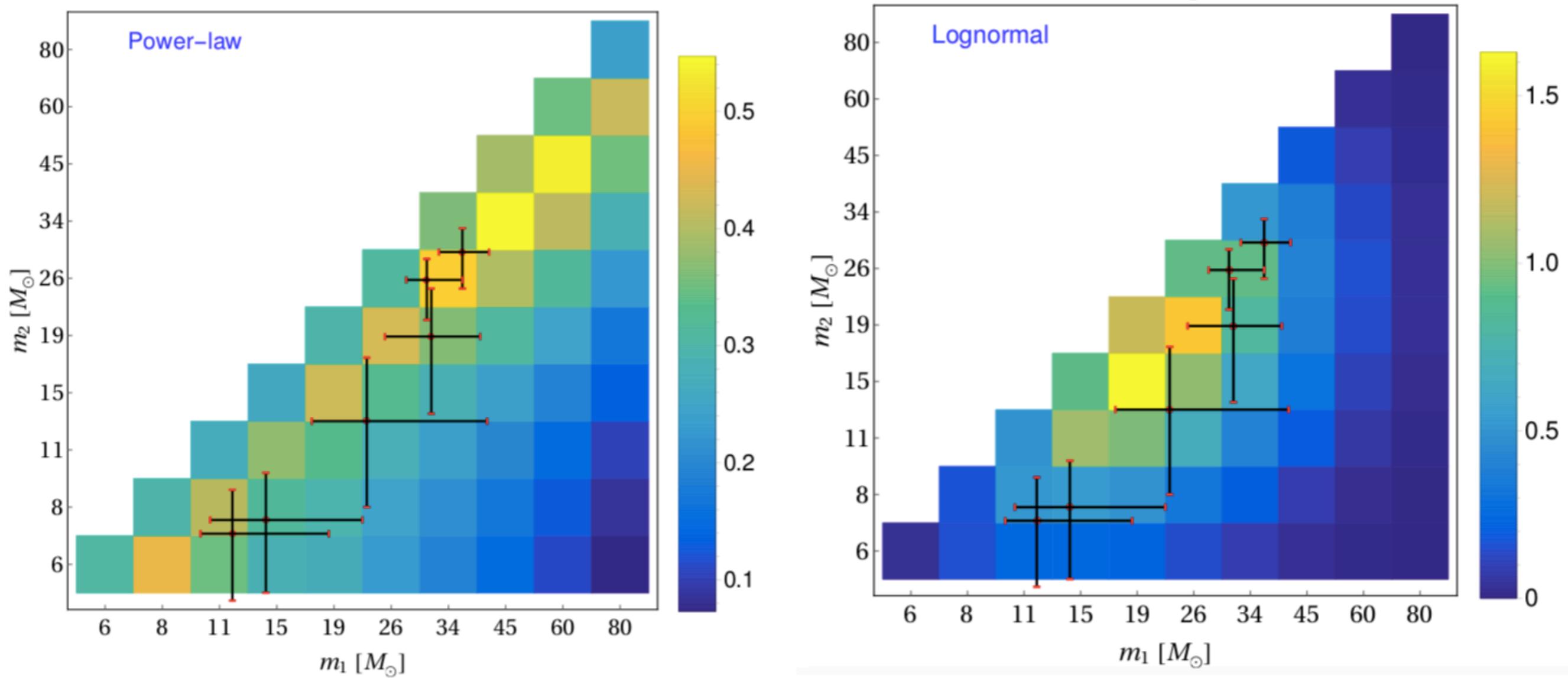
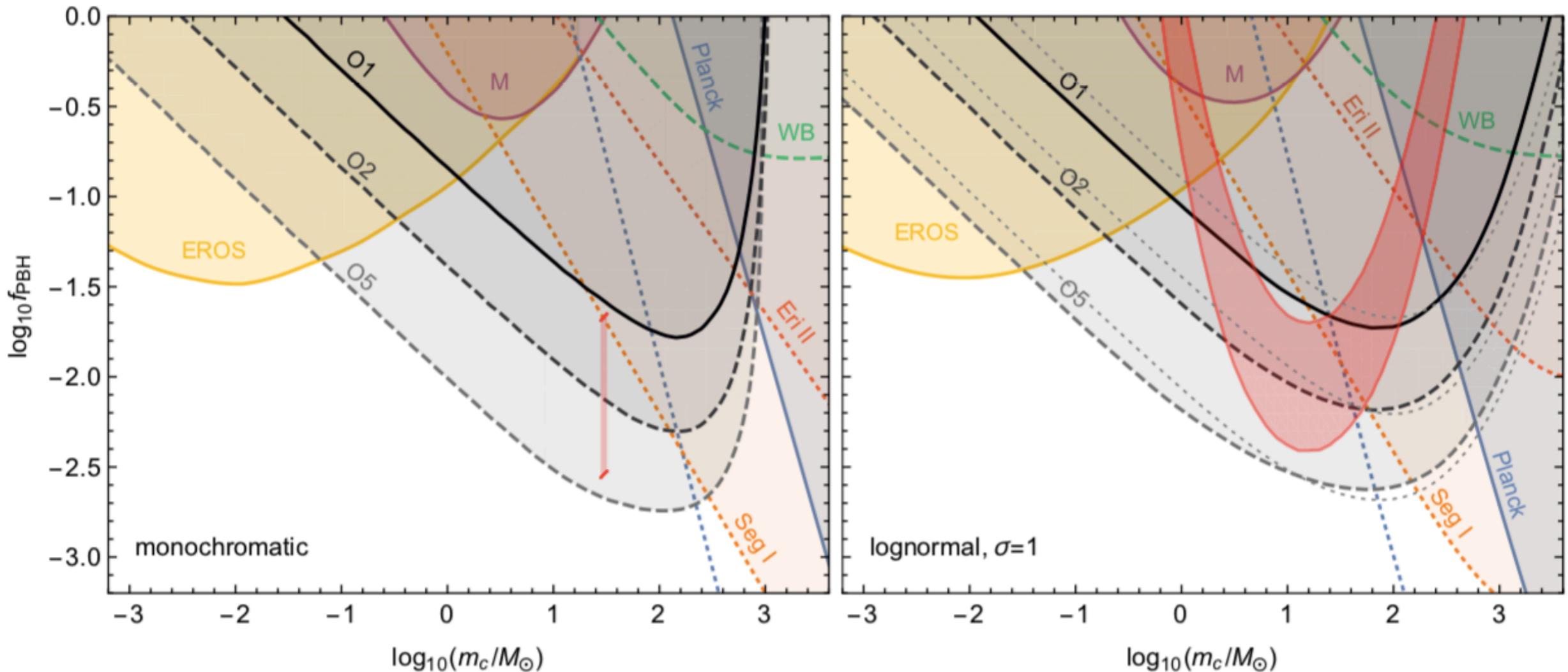


FIG. 4. The 2D distributions for Λ [see Eq. (40)], along with the 6 events detected by LIGO/VIRGO. The crosses indicate error bars for each event. The top and bottom panels correspond to the *power-law* PDF ($M = 5M_\odot$ and $\alpha = 1.6$) with $f_{\text{pbh}} = 4.3 \times 10^{-3}$ and *lognormal* PDF ($m_c = 15M_\odot$ and $\sigma = 0.6$) with $f_{\text{pbh}} = 3.7 \times 10^{-3}$, respectively.

[1801.10327]

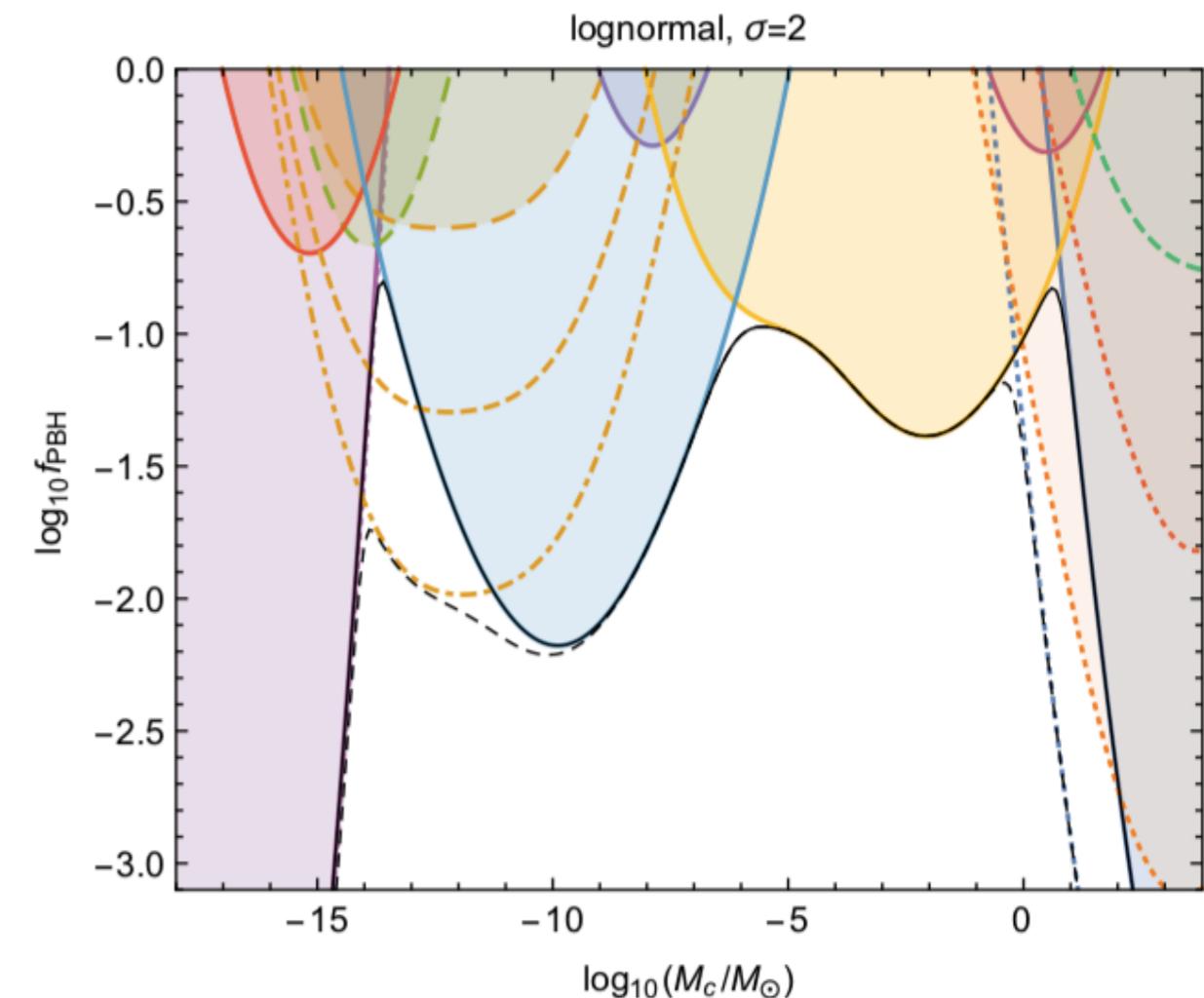
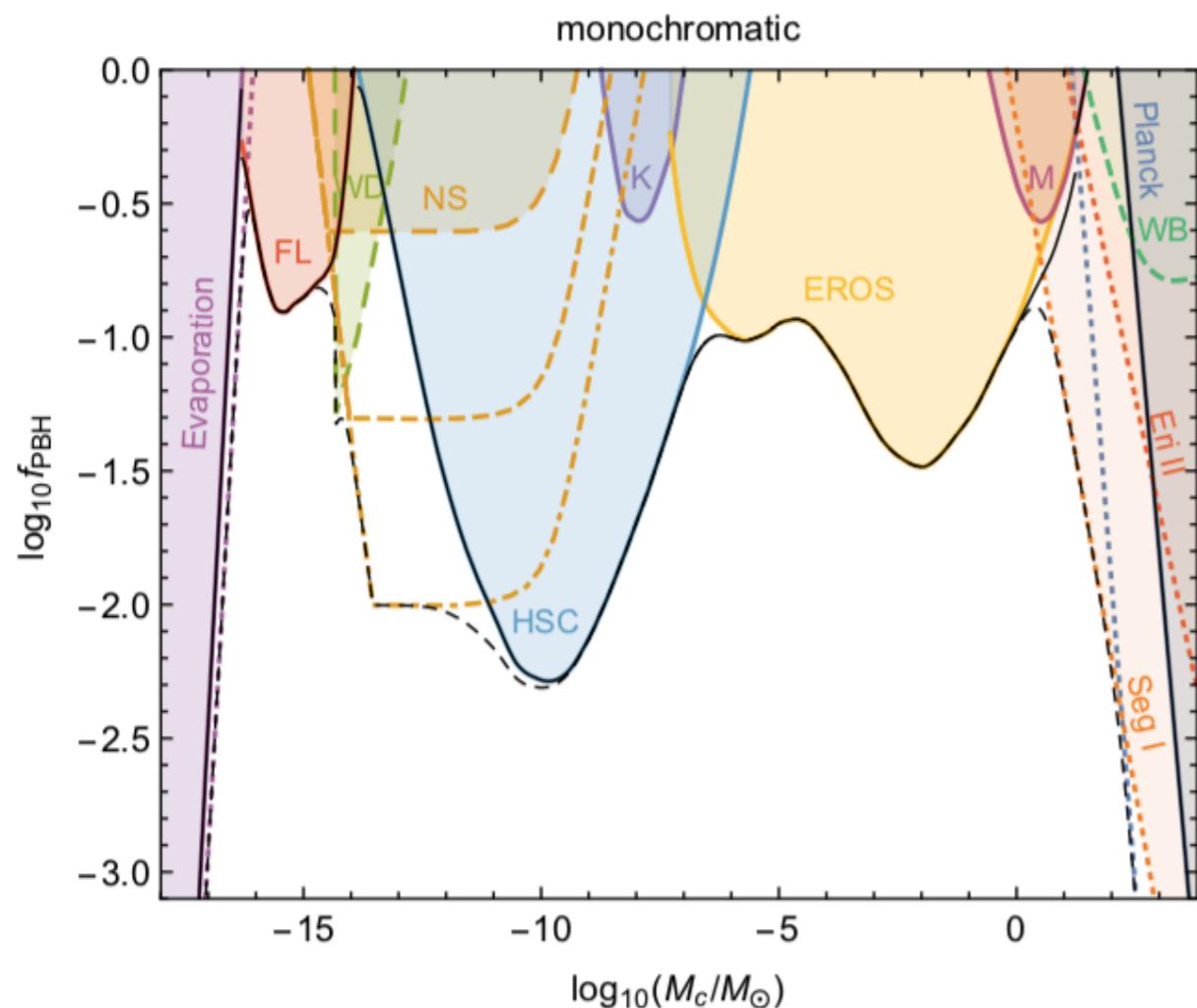
Broad Mass Functions

Projections for the SGWB from PBH-PBH mergers



[1707.01480]

Broad Mass Functions



[Carr et al, 2017 - [1705.05567](#)]

[See also [1709.07467](#), [1801.00808](#)]