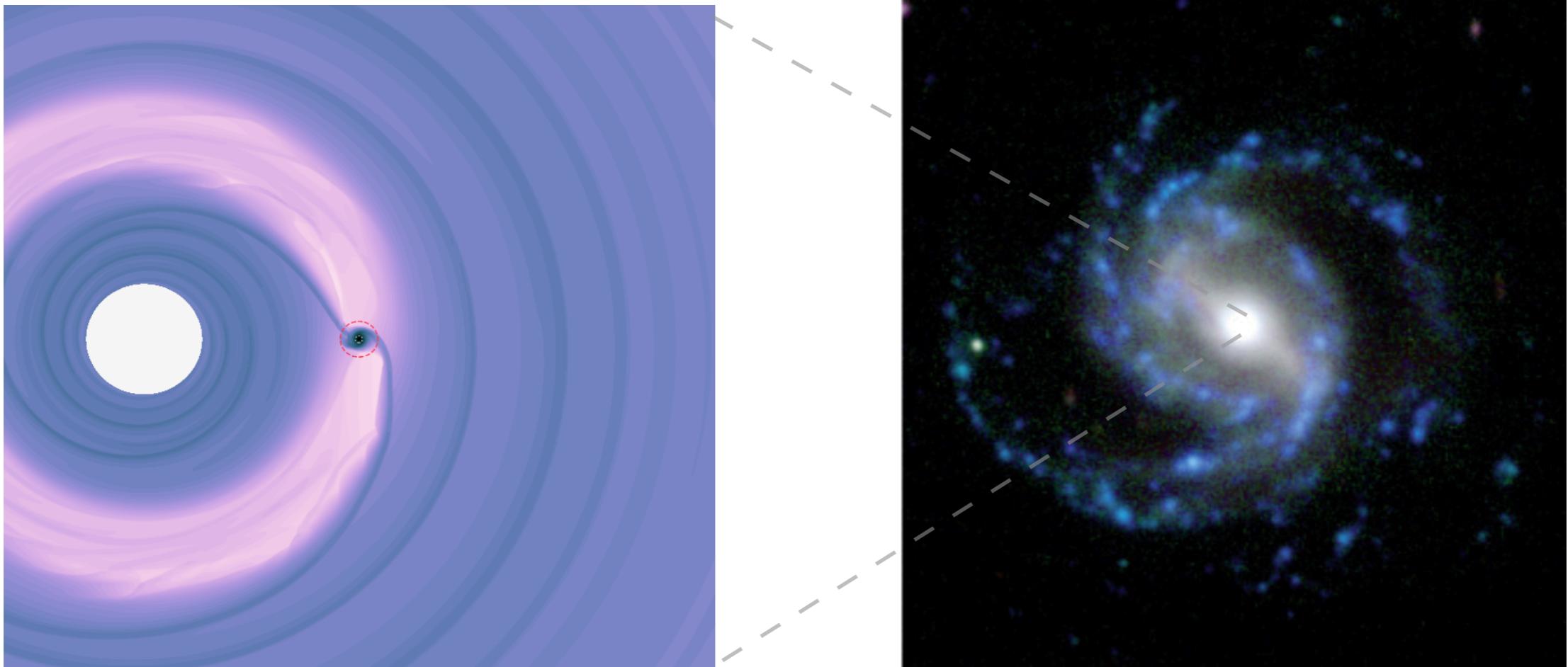


milliHz GW sources in AGN accretion disks



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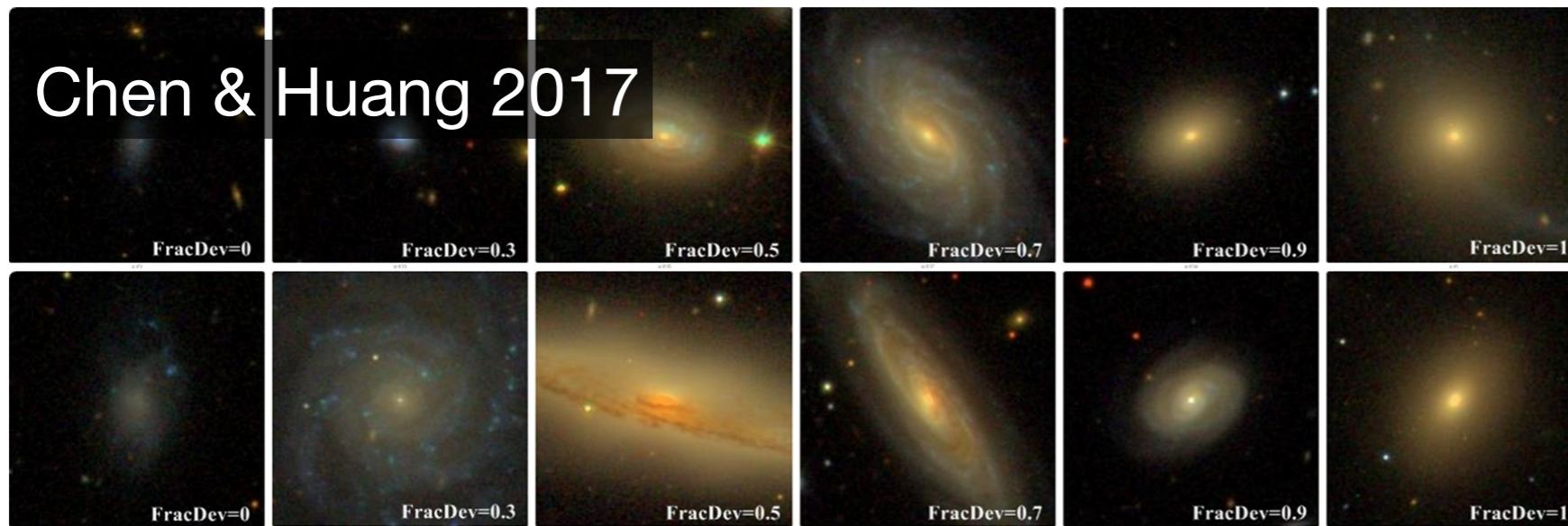


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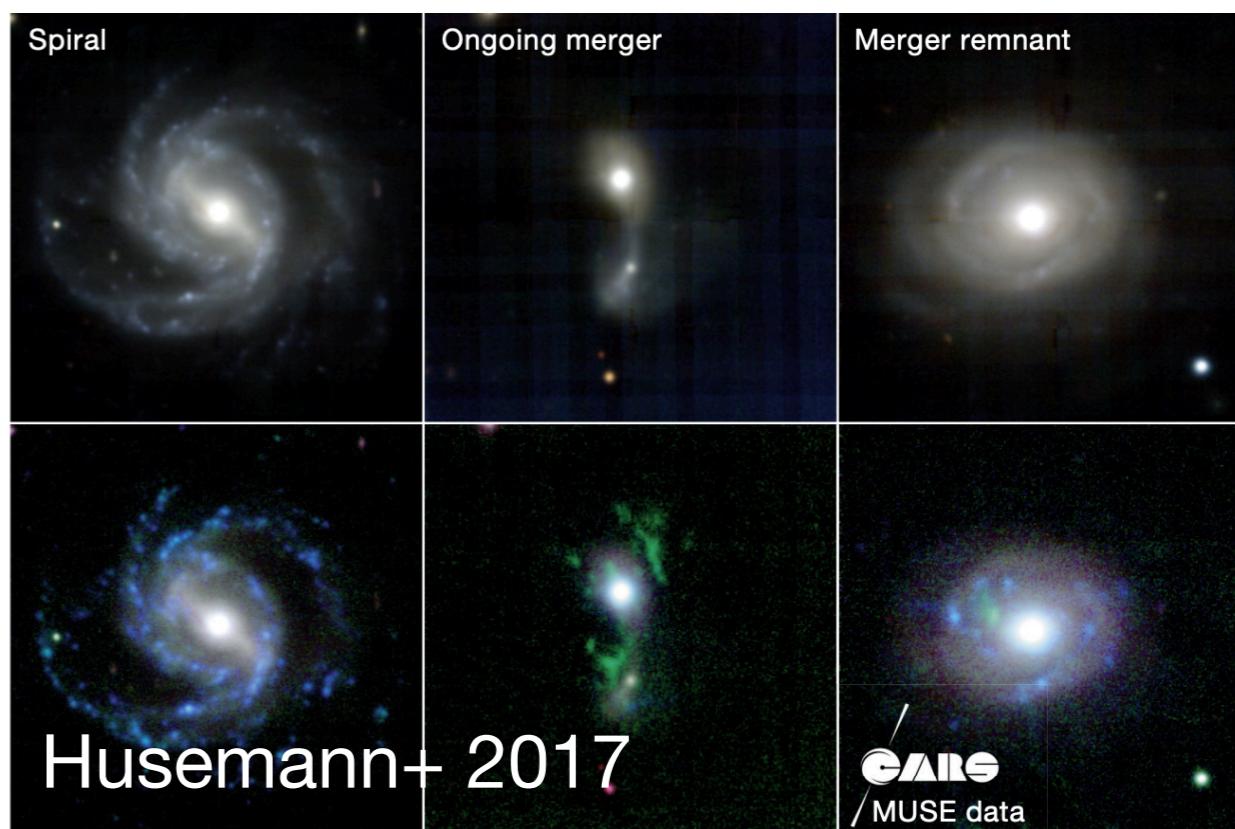
1-10% of galaxies have Active Galactic Nuclei*

*depends on redshift, AGN type, etc.

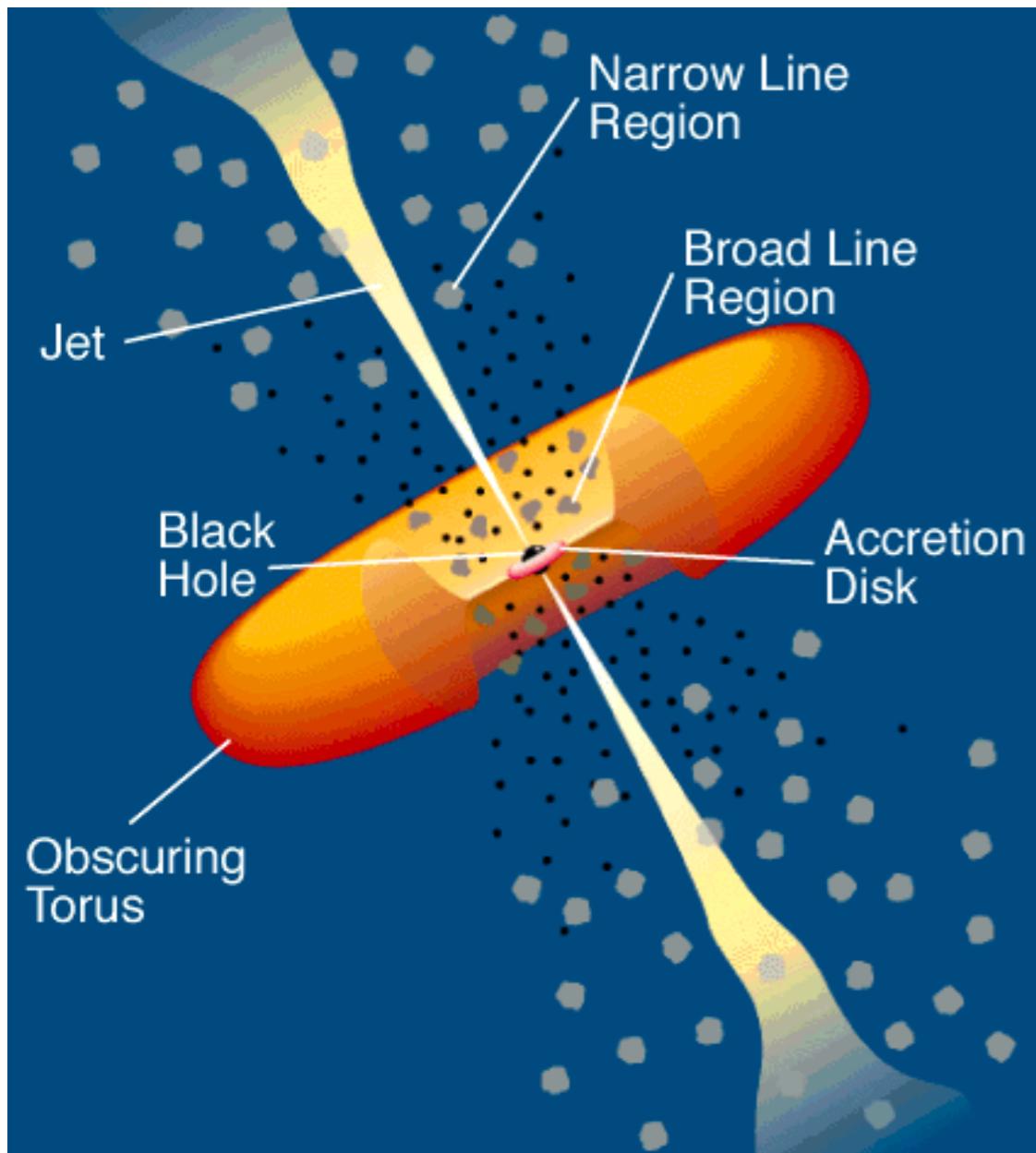
Shankar+ 2013, Jones+ 2016



Gas inflow triggered by galaxy mergers:



How well do we understand AGN accretion disks?



Standard model for radiatively efficient flows (small scales): steady-state, geometrically thin, relatively dense
(Shakura & Sunyaev 1973, Novikov & Thorne 1974)

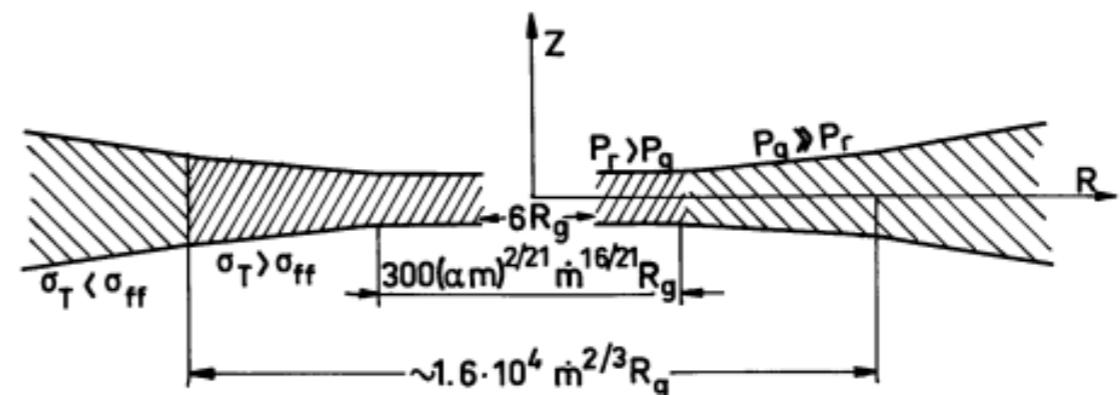
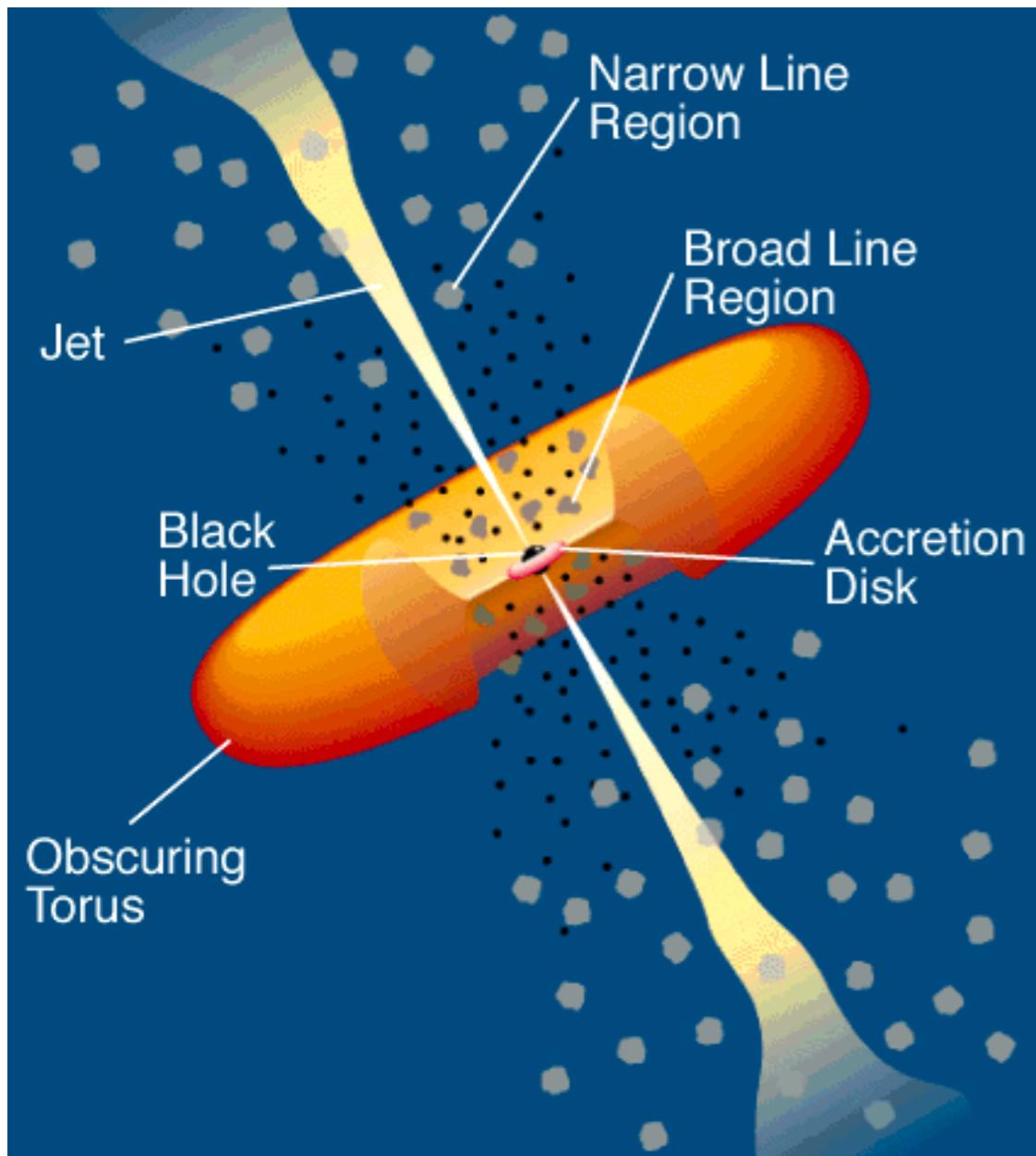


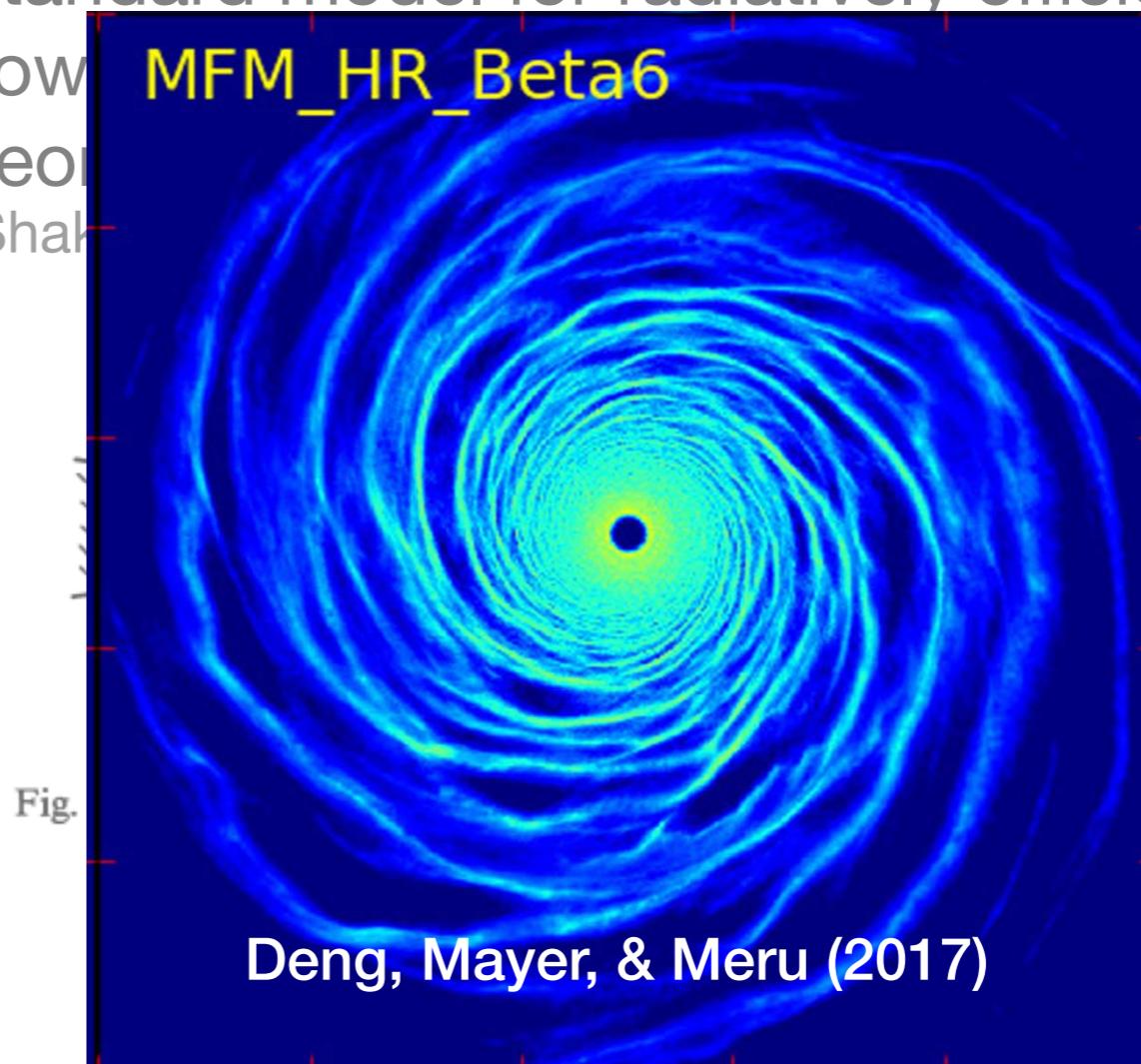
Fig. 10. The regions of disk having different physical conditions

- Uncertainties in precise structure, emission features, efficiency of angular momentum transport / AGN lifetime...
see Padovani 2017

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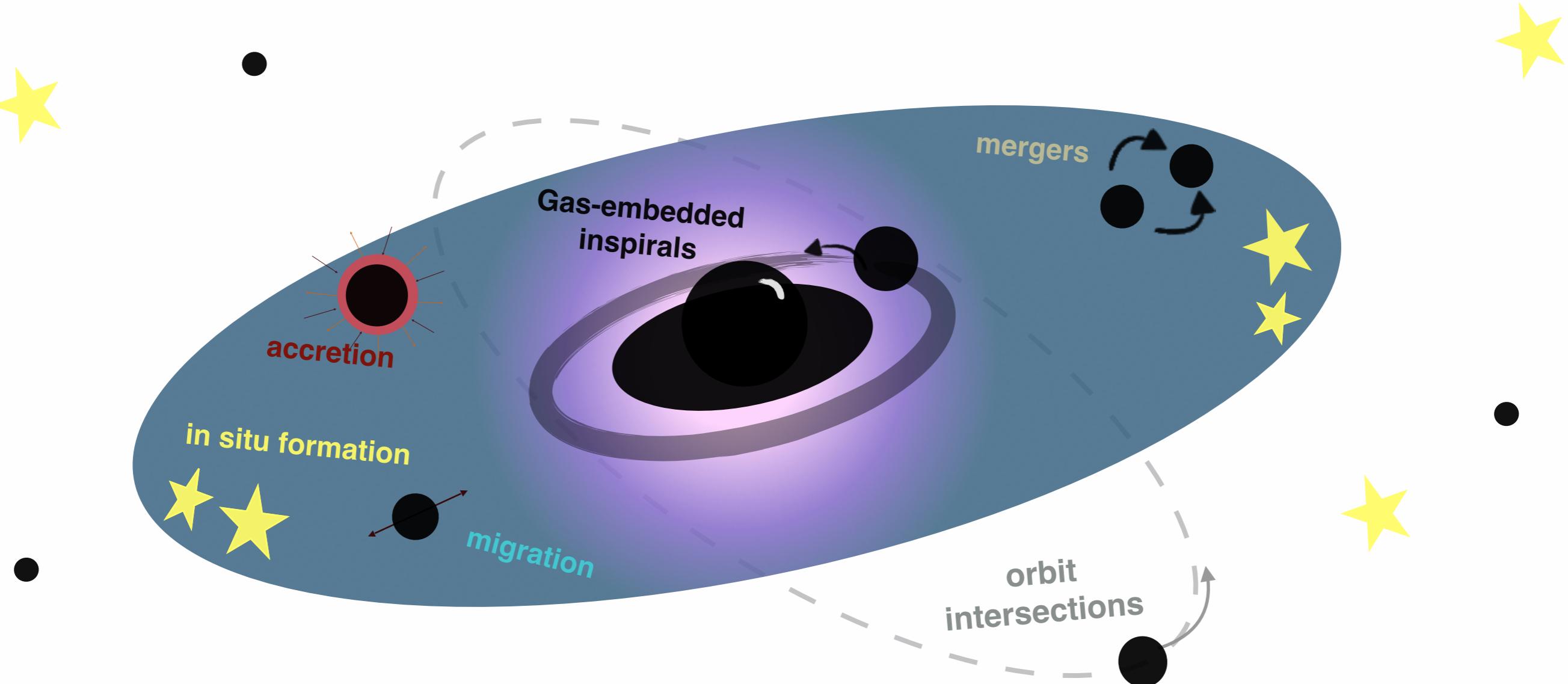
Standard model for radiatively efficient flow
geon (Shakura & Sunyaev 1974)



Gravitational instability beyond ~ 0.01 pc
(Toomre 1964)

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The presence of a gas disk influences BH interaction



- **Orbit capture of stars and BHs**

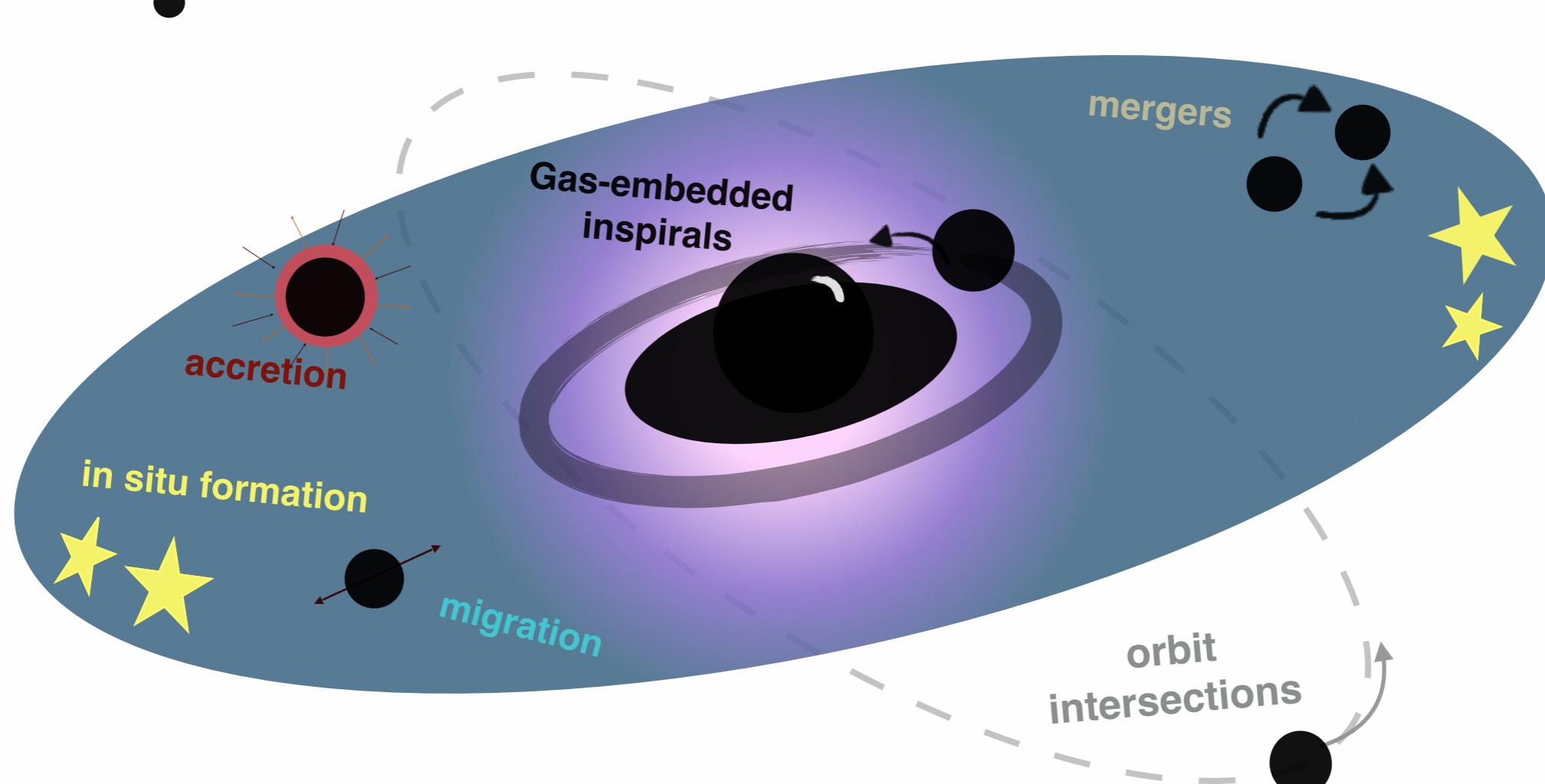
Syer, Clarke & Rees 1991, Kennedy+ 2016, Macleod & Lin 2020, Fabj+2020, Nasim+2022

- **In-situ star formation in gravitationally unstable regions**

Toomre 1964, Shlosman & Begelman 1987, Goodman & Tan 2004, Levin 2007

The presence of a gas disk influences BH interaction

+ rates 



→ pre-LIGO/VIRGO/KAGRA sBH binaries / formation of IMBHs

McKernan+2012, Bellovary+2016, Stone+2017, Bartos+2017, Yang+2019, Secunda+ 2019, McKernan+2020, Tagawa+2020

→ Extreme and intermediate mass ratio inspirals

Pan & Yang 2021, Pan, Lyu, & Yang 2021, Derdzinski & Mayer 2022

Rates

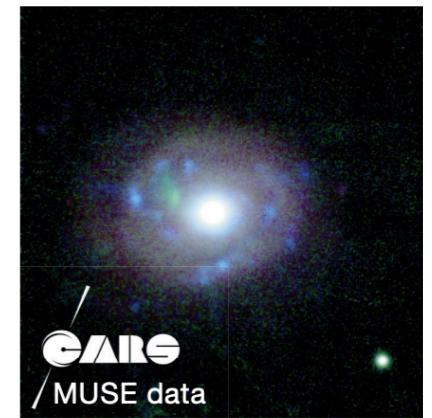
- sBHs like GW190521: < 1 - 10 events during LISA mission
Sberna+ 2022,
Will be higher for TianQin!
see also Gröbner+ 2020, Tagawa+2020, Ford & McKernan 2021

Gas-embedded EMRIs vs. other channels:

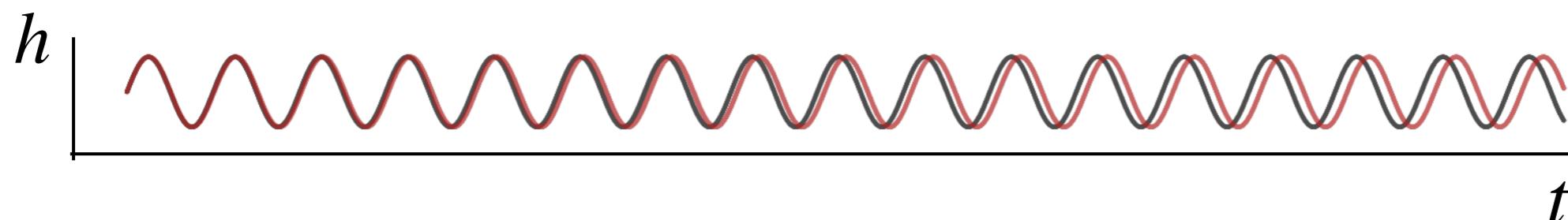
- Disk-capture EMRIs:
 $\sim 0.1 - 0.6 \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ Gpc}^{-3}$ (Tagawa+ 2020, see also Pan & Yang 2021)
- In-situ EMRIs in unstable AGN disks:
 $\sim 0.5 - 10 \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ Gpc}^{-3}$ (Derdzinski & Mayer 2022)
- ‘dry’ dynamical EMRIs:
 $\sim 0.02 - 2 \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ Gpc}^{-3}$
(Bar-Or & Alexander 2016, Babak+ 2017, Pan & Yang 2021, Broggi+ 2022)

Gas signatures in mHz GWs

from sBHs, EMRIs, IMRIs, IMBH binaries



- Interaction with the environment affects the amplitude and phase evolution of the source
- Induce bias in parameter estimation OR possibly measure environmental properties





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- sBH binaries in AGN experience gas drag, accretion, Doppler modulation, etc.
Chen+2020, Caputo+2020, Toubiana+2021, Sberna+ 2022
- Can measure central SMBH mass, binary distance and inclination Sberna+ 2022:
- Disk interaction affects eccentricity:
Ishibashi and Gröbner 2020:

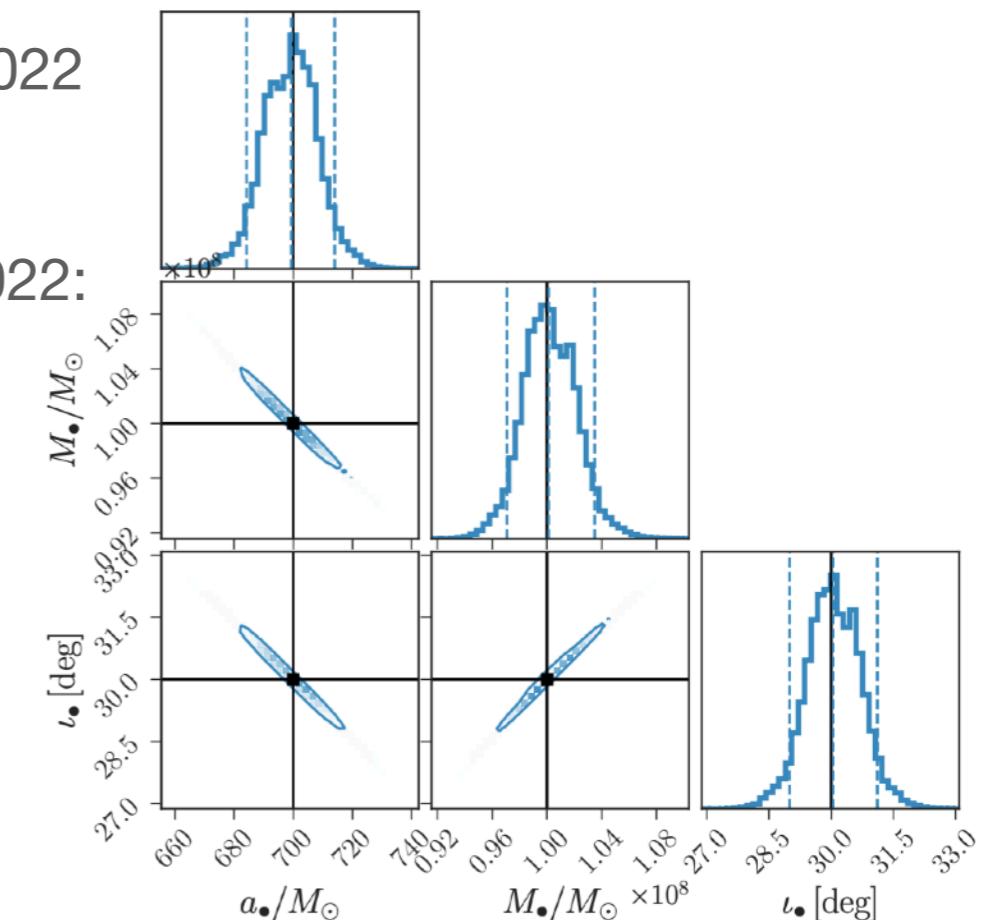
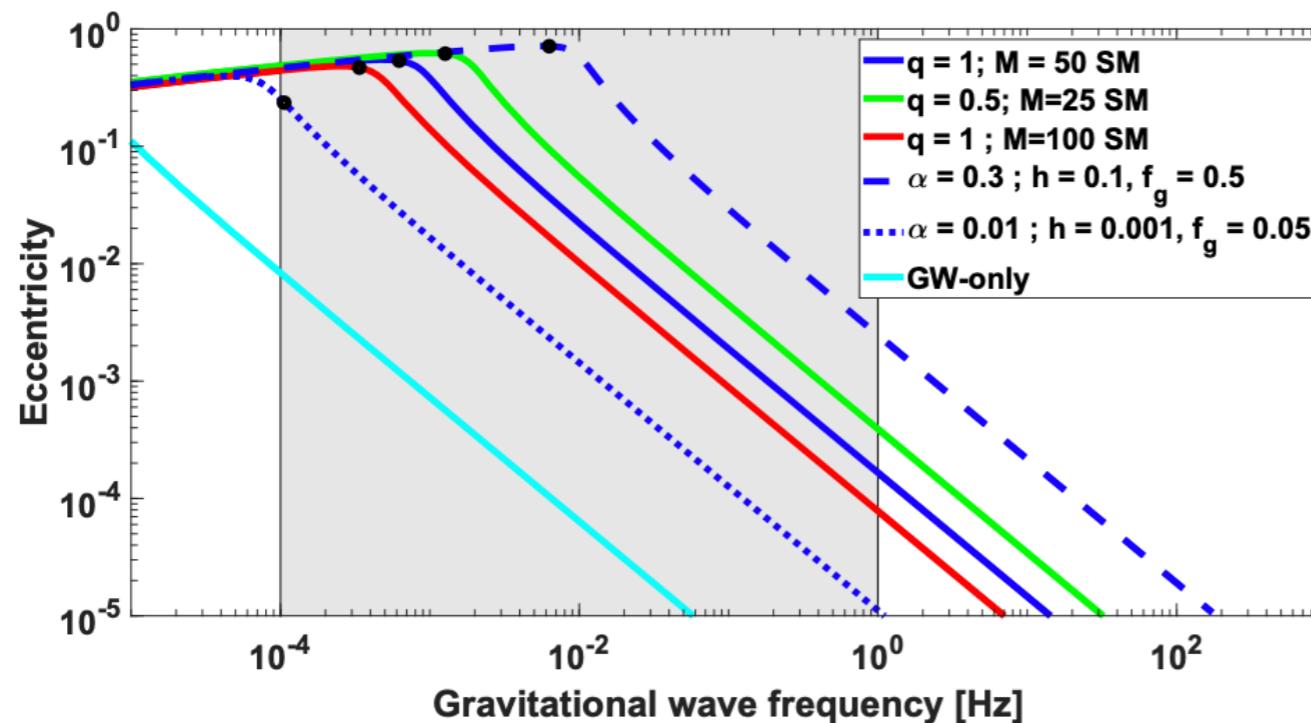
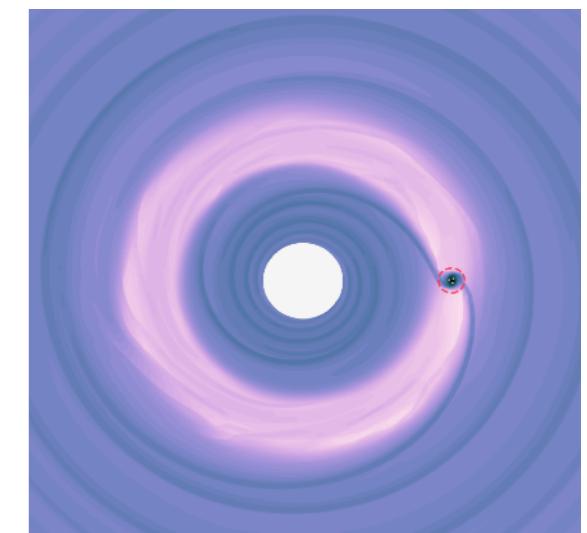


FIG. 5. Inference of the SMBH mass (M_*) and the parameters of the outer orbit: inclination i_* and orbital radius a_* . The true (cosmologically redshifted) parameters are marked by black lines, while the dashed vertical lines indicate 90% CLs.

Gas signatures in mHz GWs

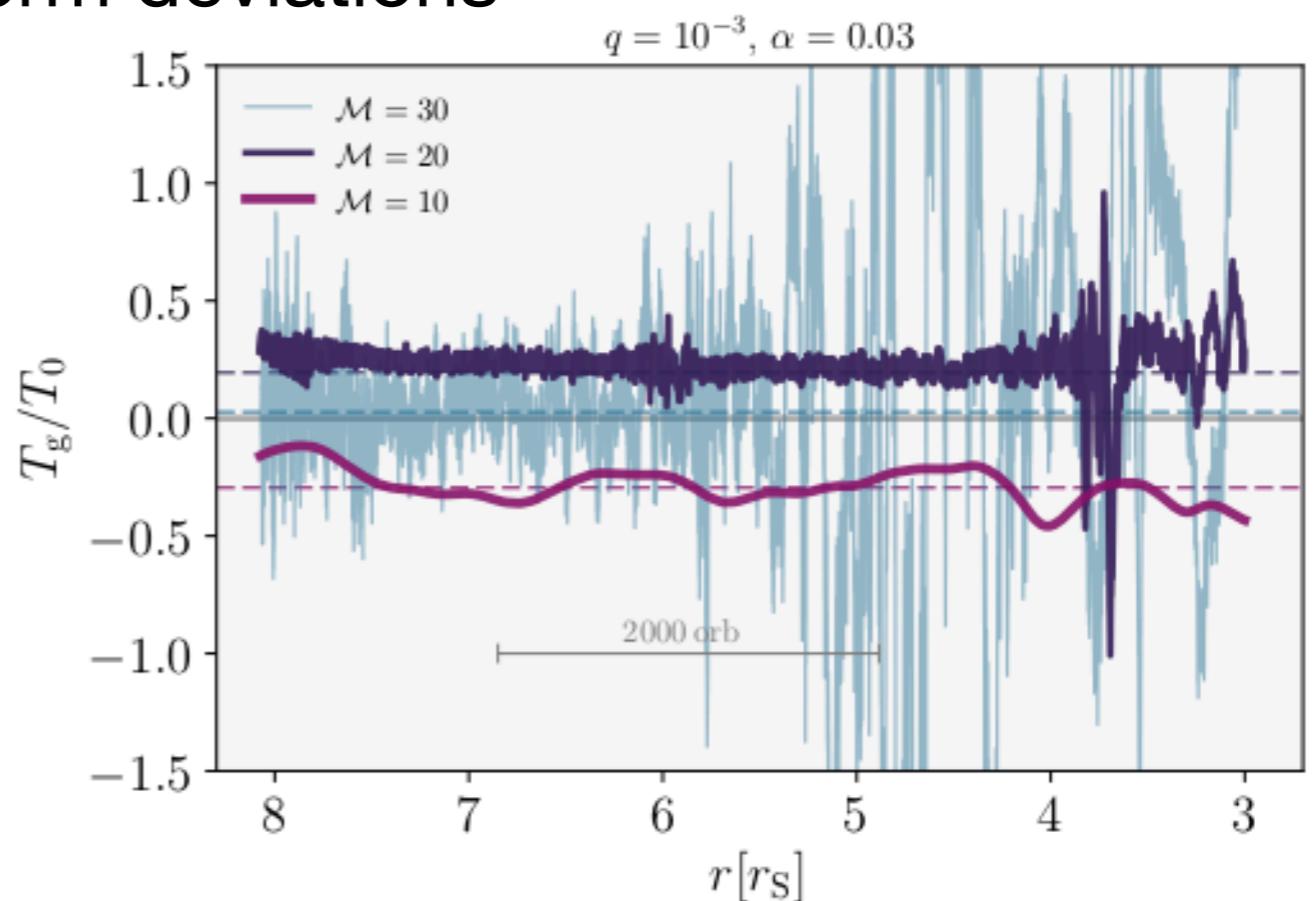
from sBHs, EMRIs, IMRIs, IMBH binaries



- Gas torques on EMRIs: detectable in dense disks
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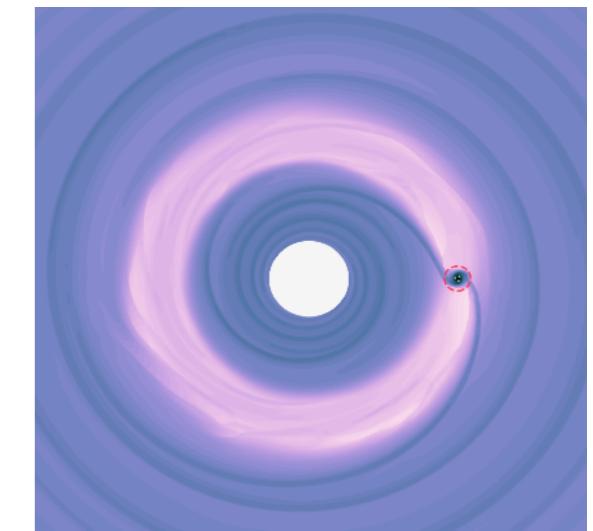
2D Hydro simulation
of an IMRI

- Torques sensitive to gas parameters: inward/outward,
variable → characteristic waveform deviations
Derdzinski+2019, 2021



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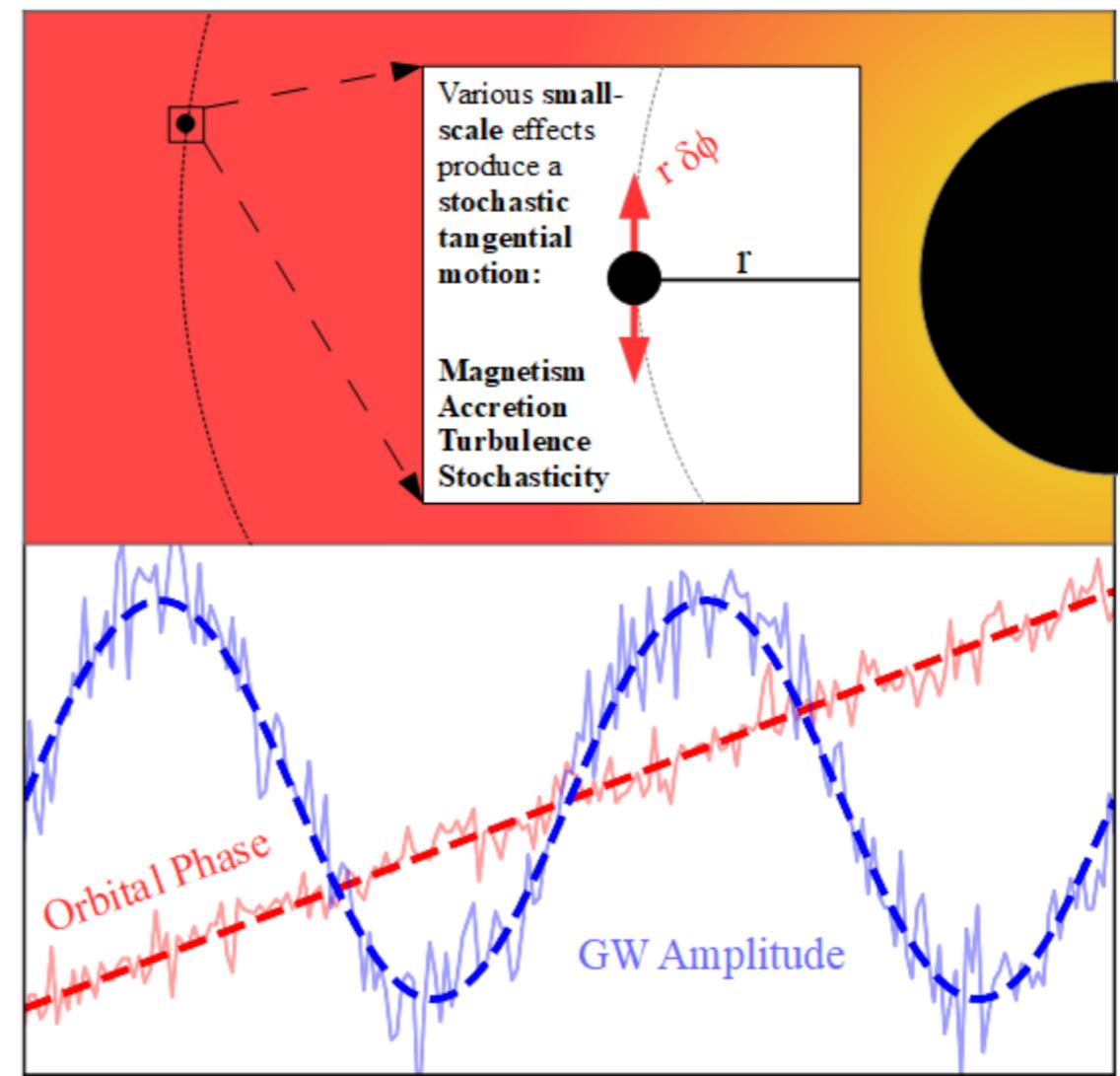
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- Torque variability, turbulence
imparts additional dephasing:

Zwick et al 2022

- More work to do...

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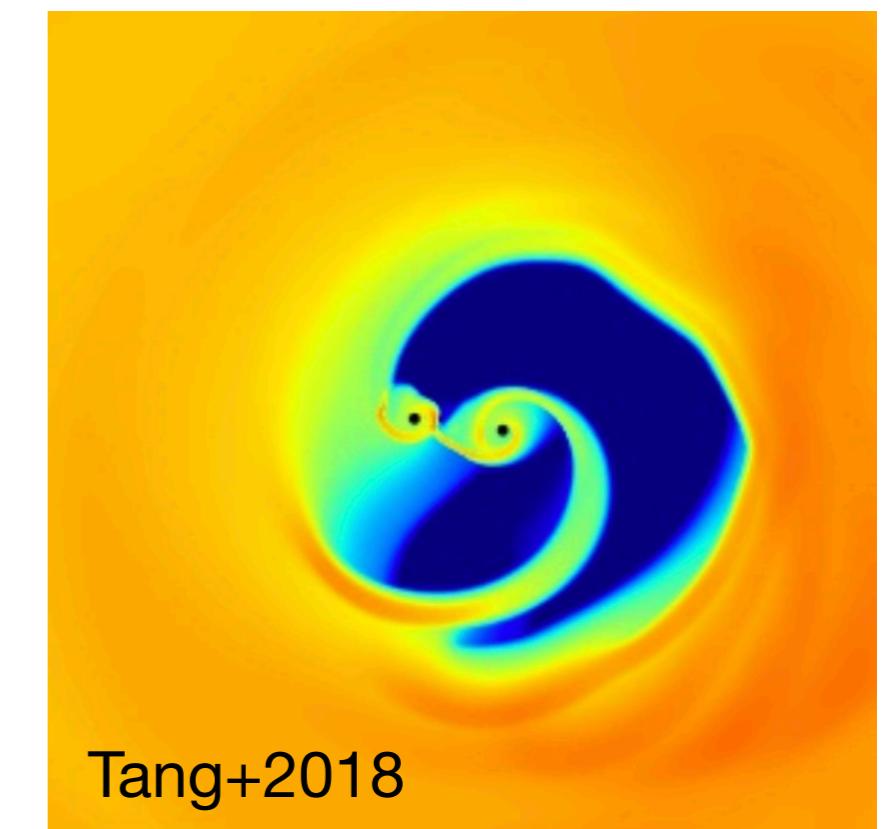
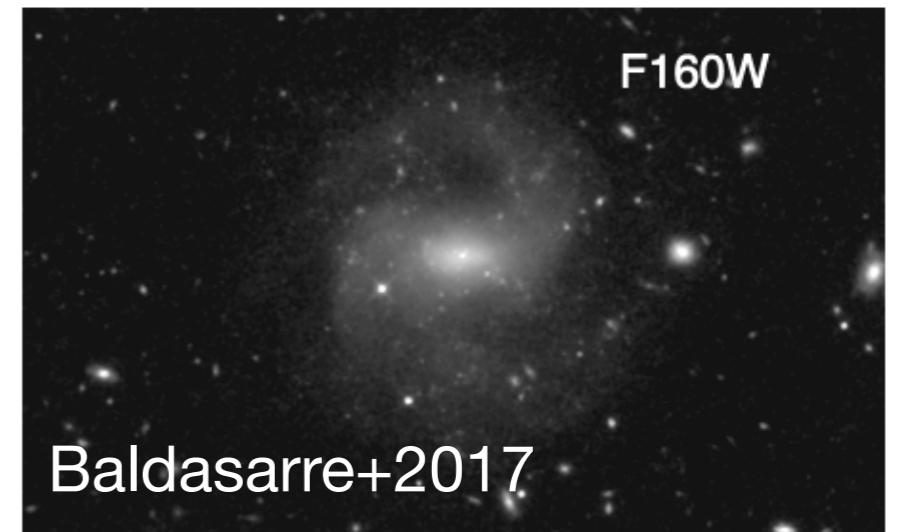
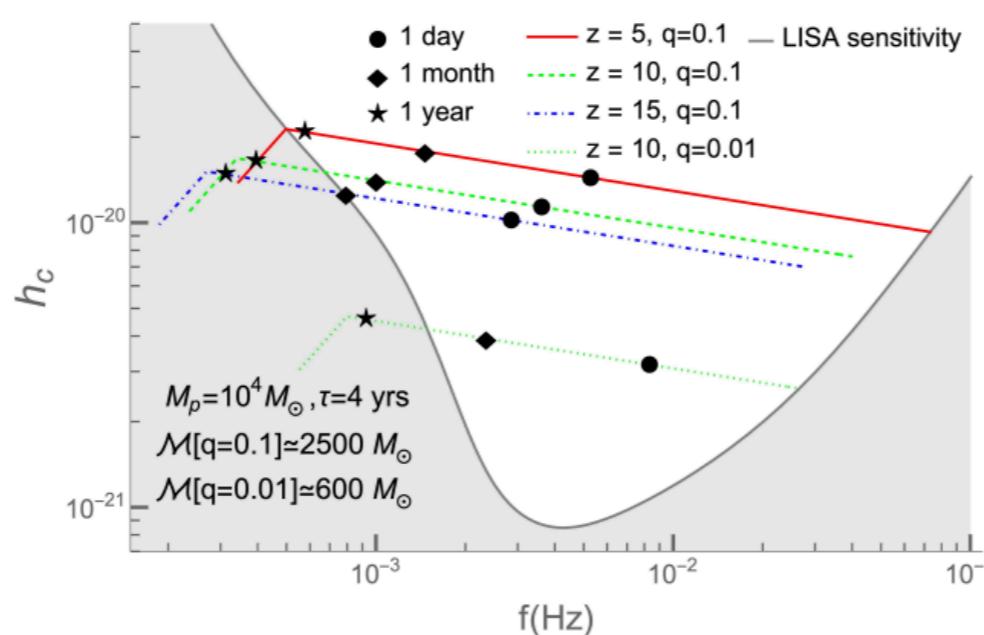
- e.g. Active dwarf galaxy with $50000 M_{\odot}$ BH:
or merging, accreting BH seeds
Sassano et al 2021

If there is a secondary BH and a steady state accretion disk...

- Gas accretes onto BHs all the way to merger

Farris+2015, Tang+ 2018

Garg et al. 2022

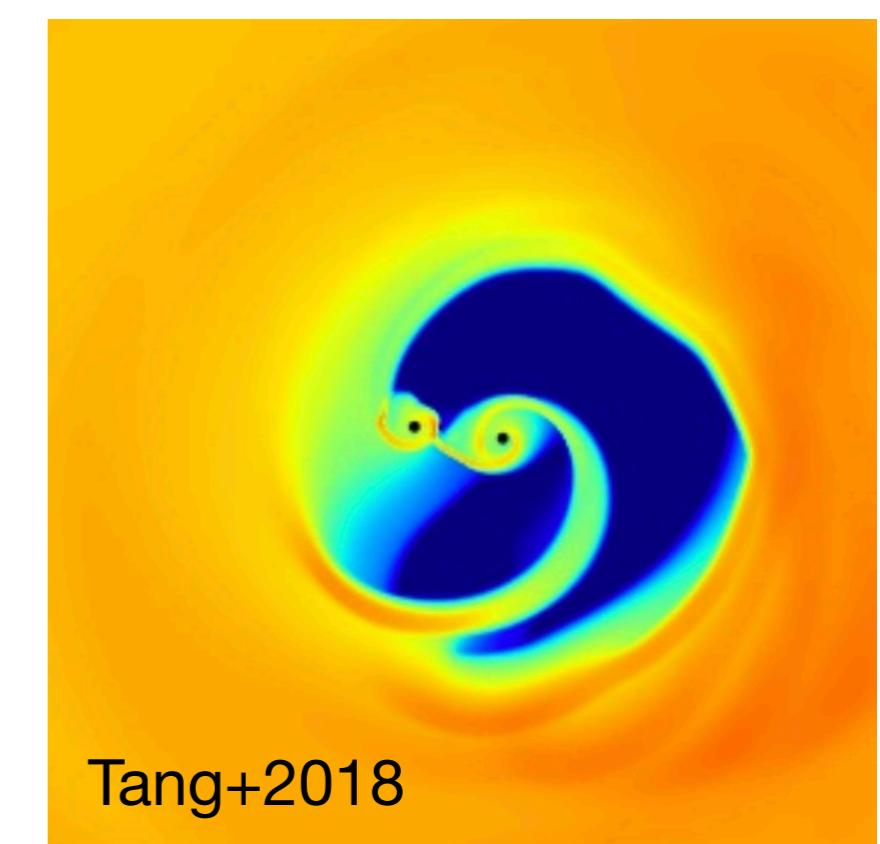
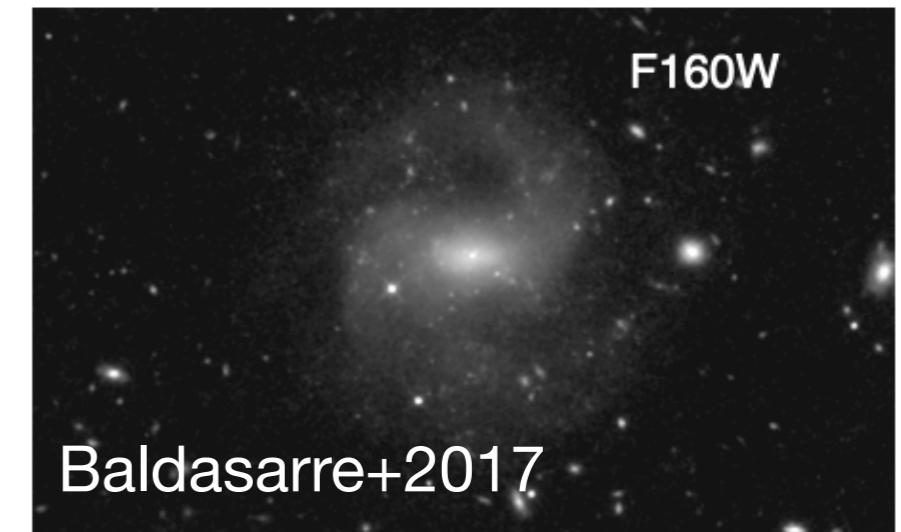
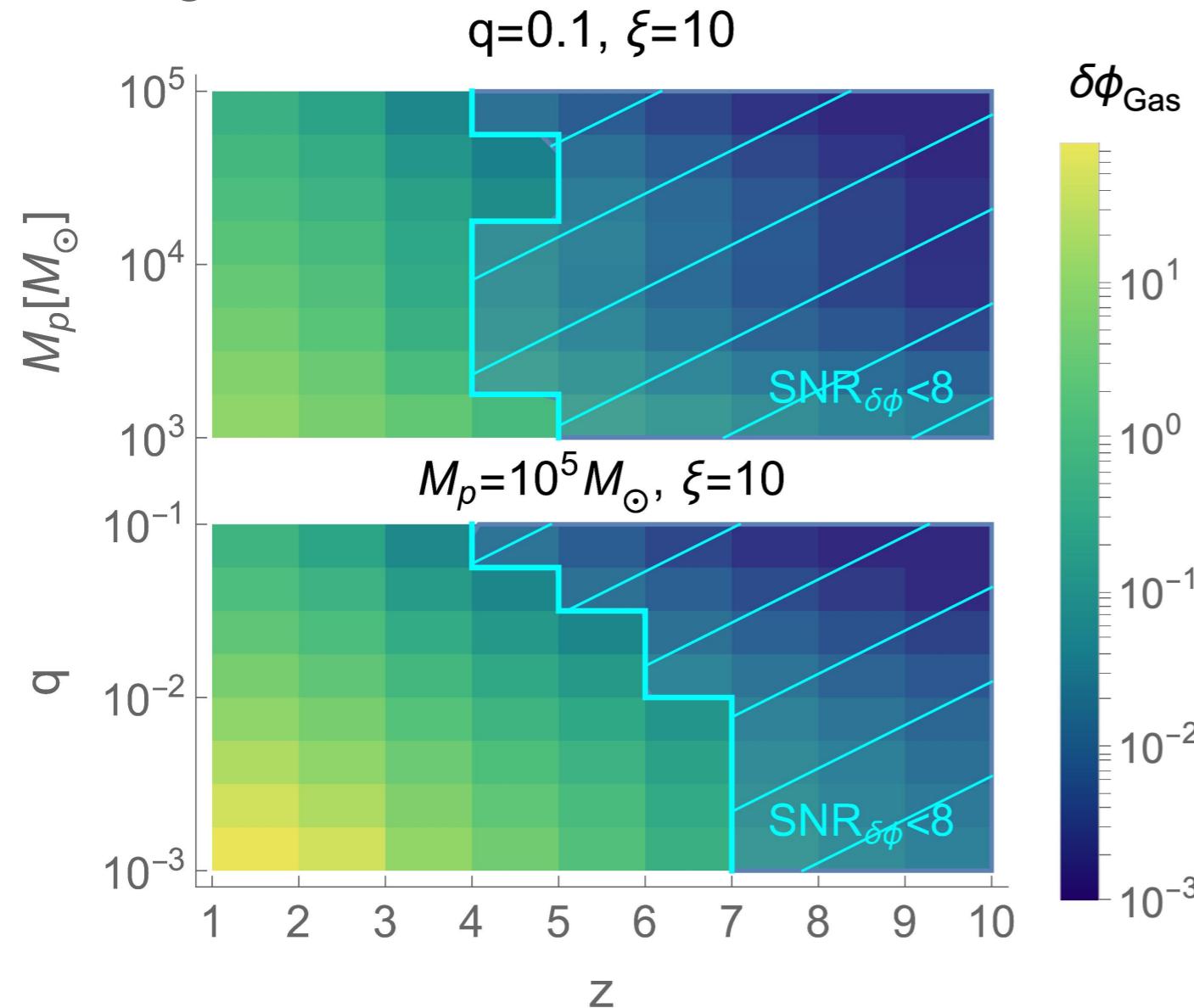


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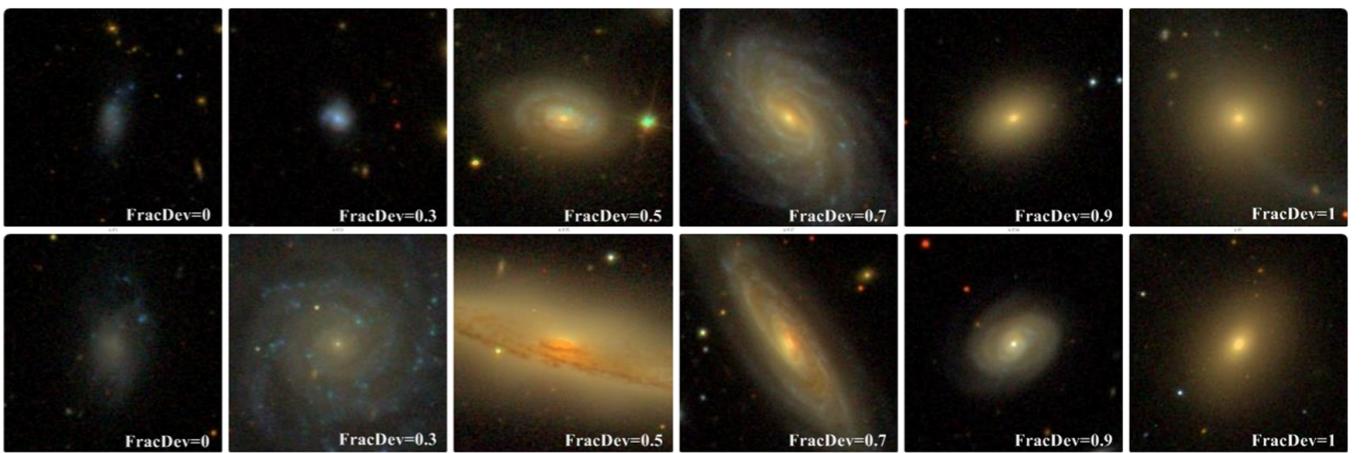
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Phase shifts during a LISA observation

Garg et al. 2022



Summary



- Many GW sources form and evolve in gaseous environments: SMBHs, sBHs, EMRIs and IMRIs
- Interaction with gas affects orbital evolution prior to and *during* GW evolution
- Need improved models to predict gas interplay and detectability
- TianQin sensitive to higher freq. range: need to quantify rates + required sensitivity of waveforms

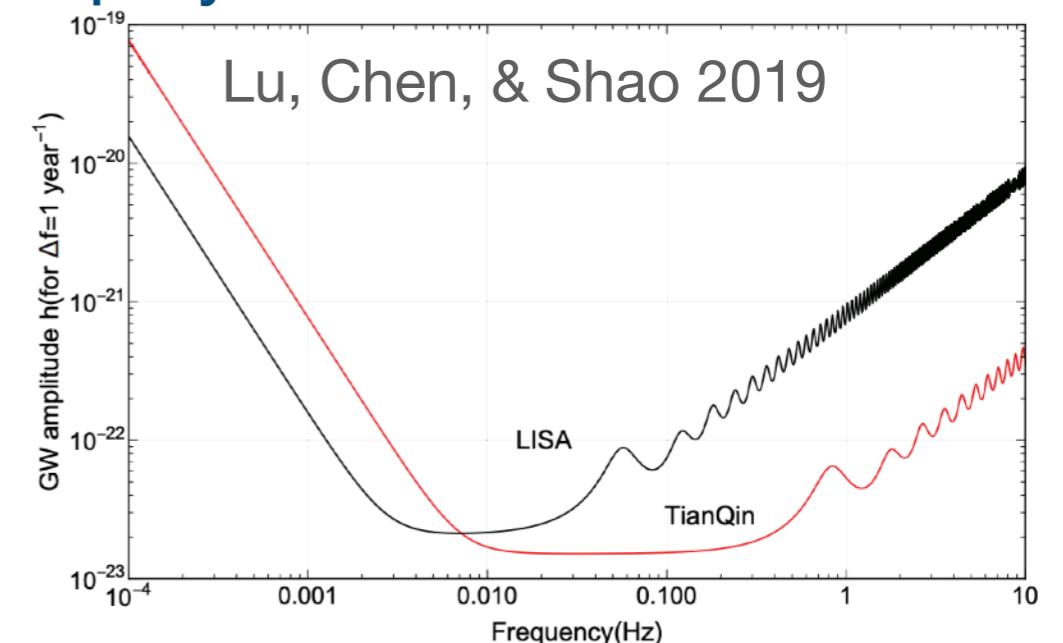


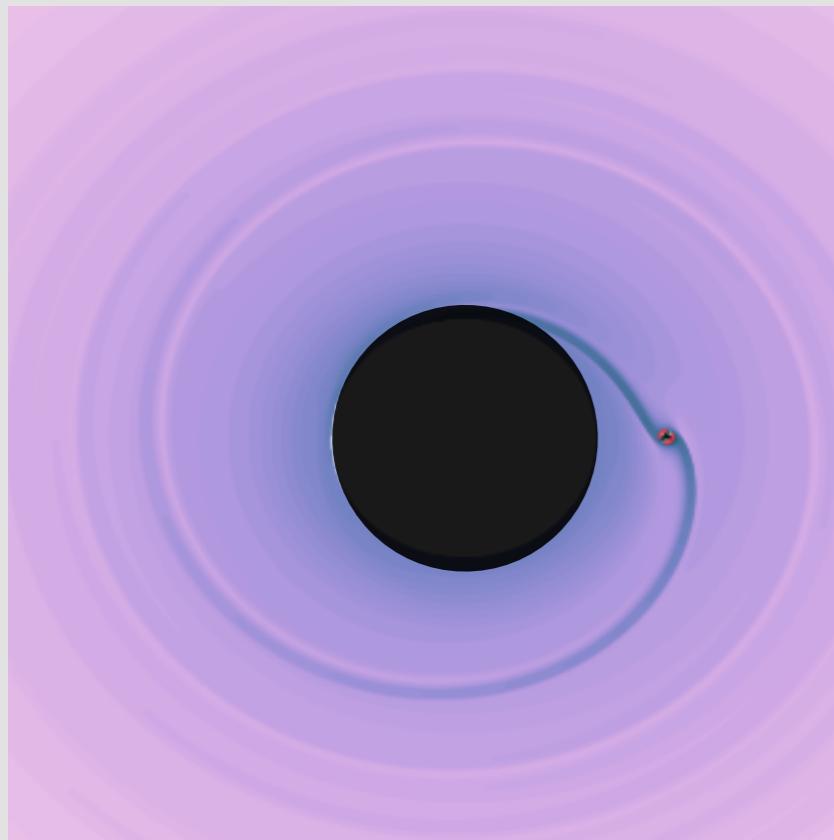
FIG. 5: Sensitivity curves for the GW detectors (LISA and TianQin) averaging all-sky sources in the four-link configurations.

Gas torques on “BHs”

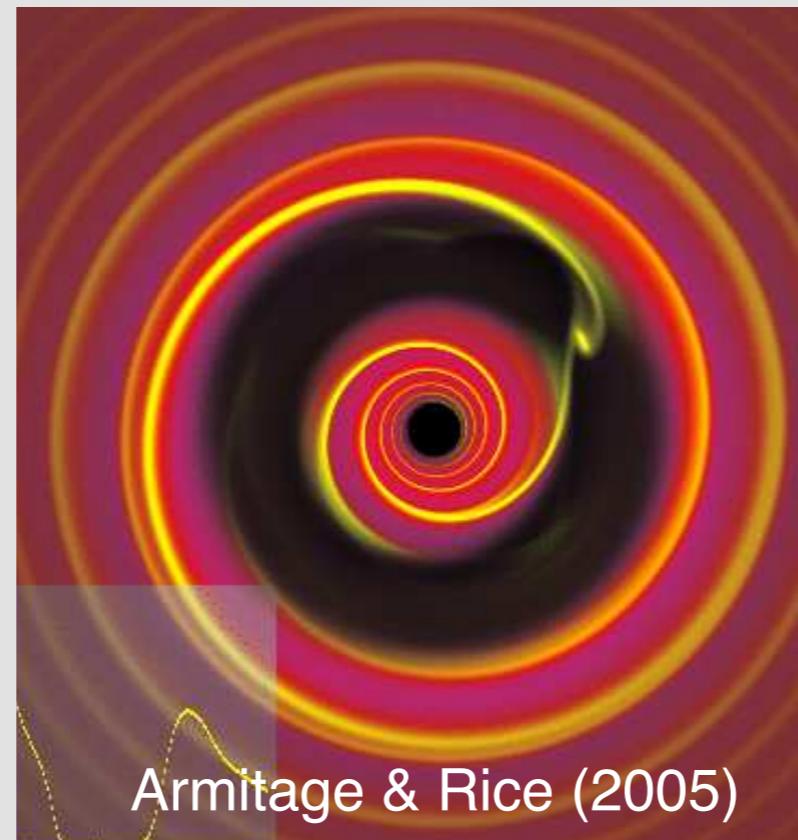
co-rotating, ~circular, isothermal EOS

$$q \equiv \frac{M_2}{M_1}$$

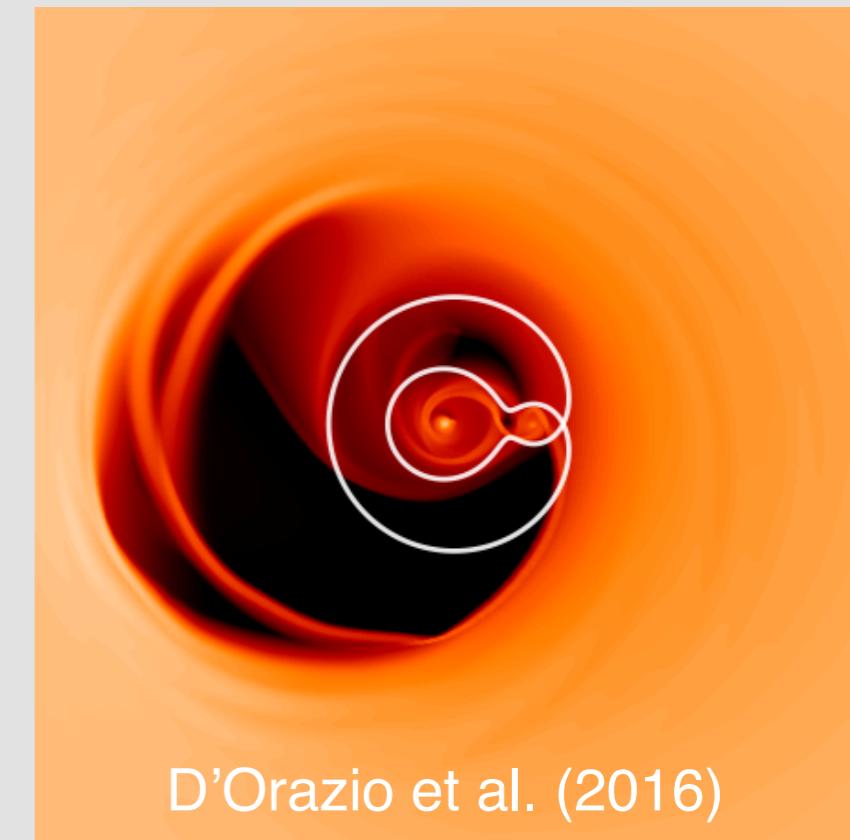
low q



intermediate q



near-equal q



2D hydro simulations
(surface density)

10^{-4}

10^{-3}

10^{-1}

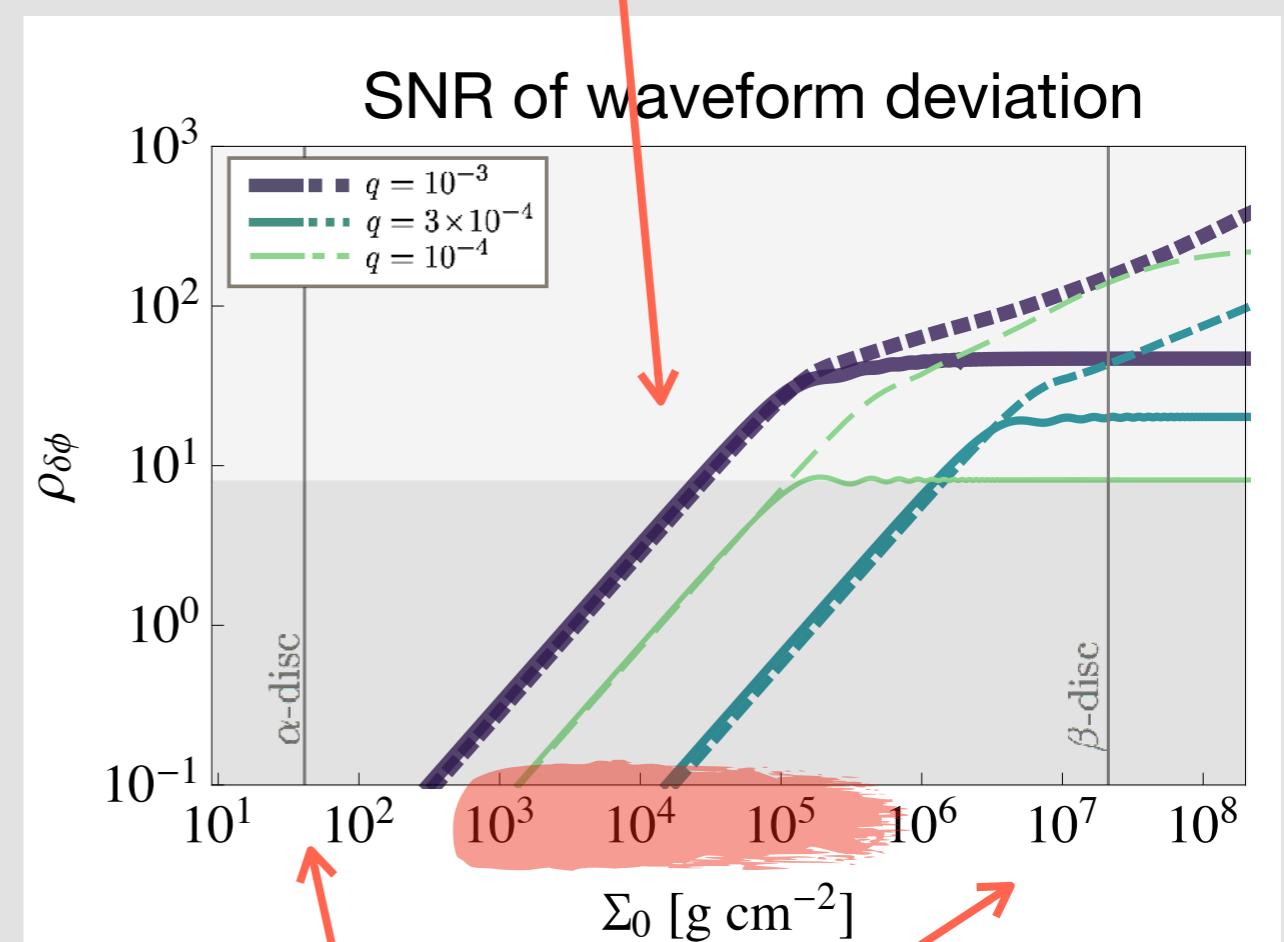
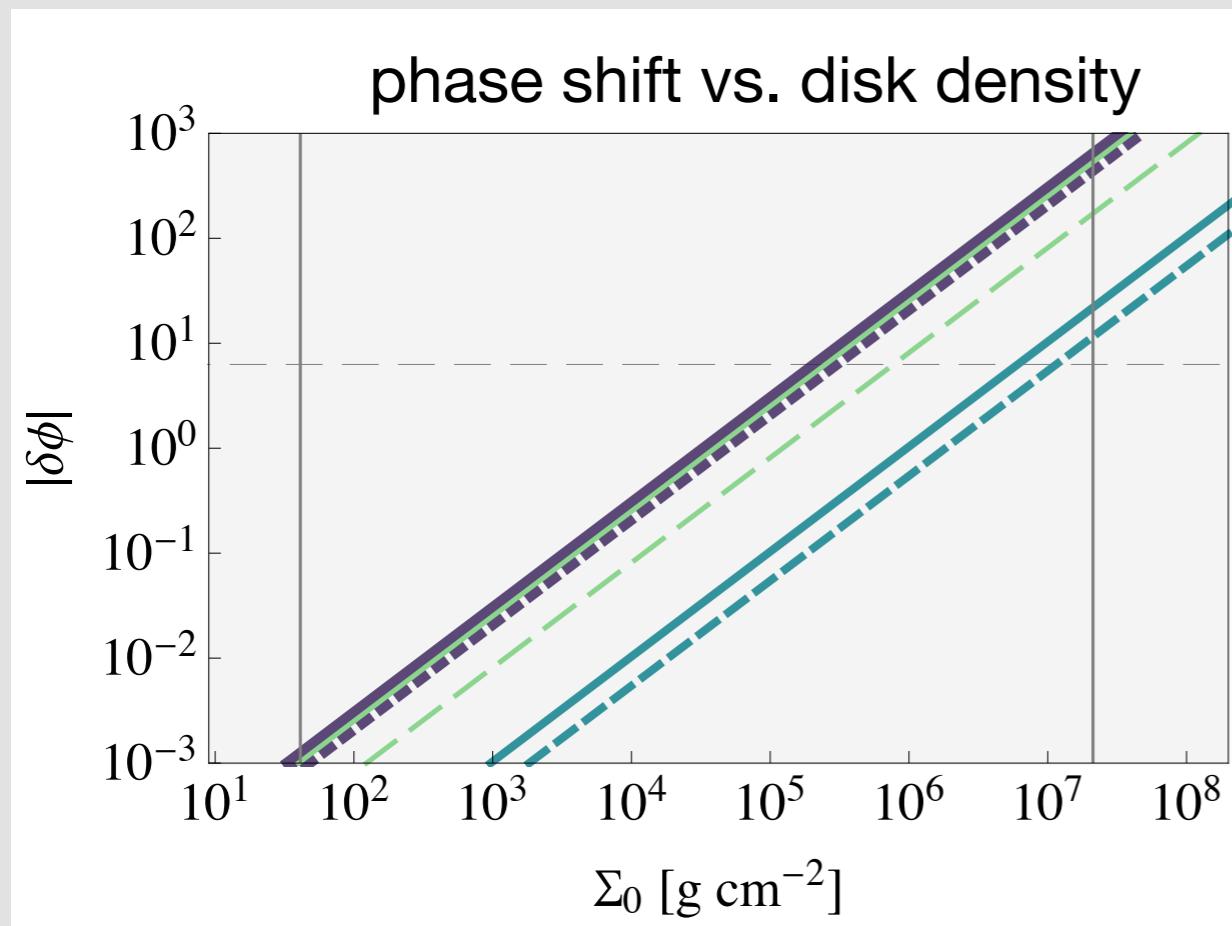
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Detectability of gas interaction in GWs

Accumulation of phase shift depends on disk profile

$$\delta\phi \propto \Sigma(r)$$

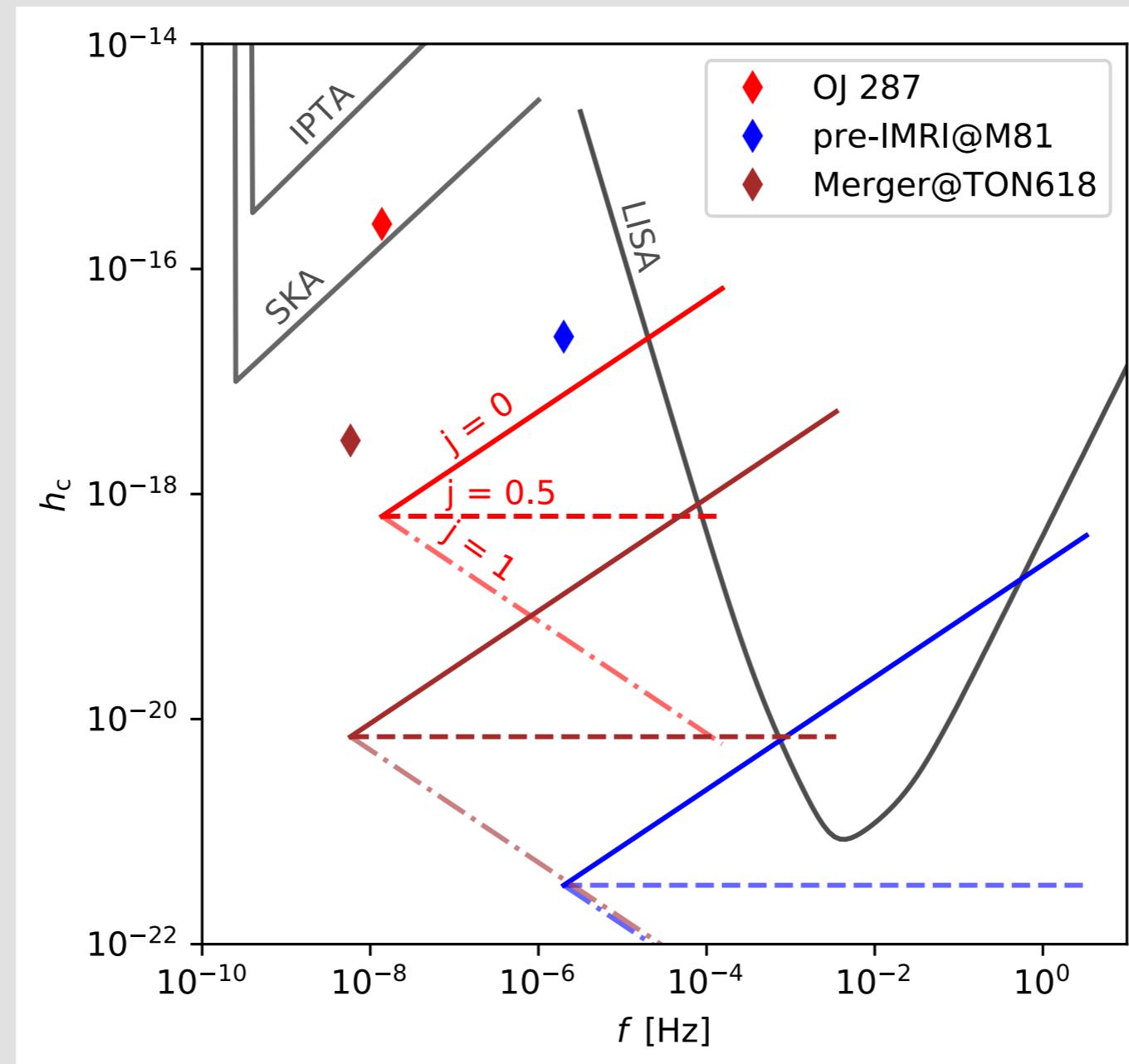
Disk densities inferred from Seyfert spectra (Jiang et al. 2019)



How dense are inner AGN accretion disks?

AD, D'Orazio, Duffell, Haiman, MacFadyen (2021)

DWs of loud, low-frequency SMBHBs



Zwick et al. 2022