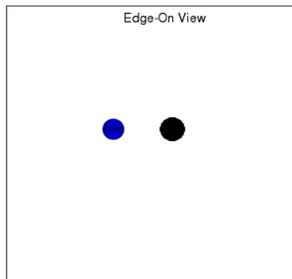
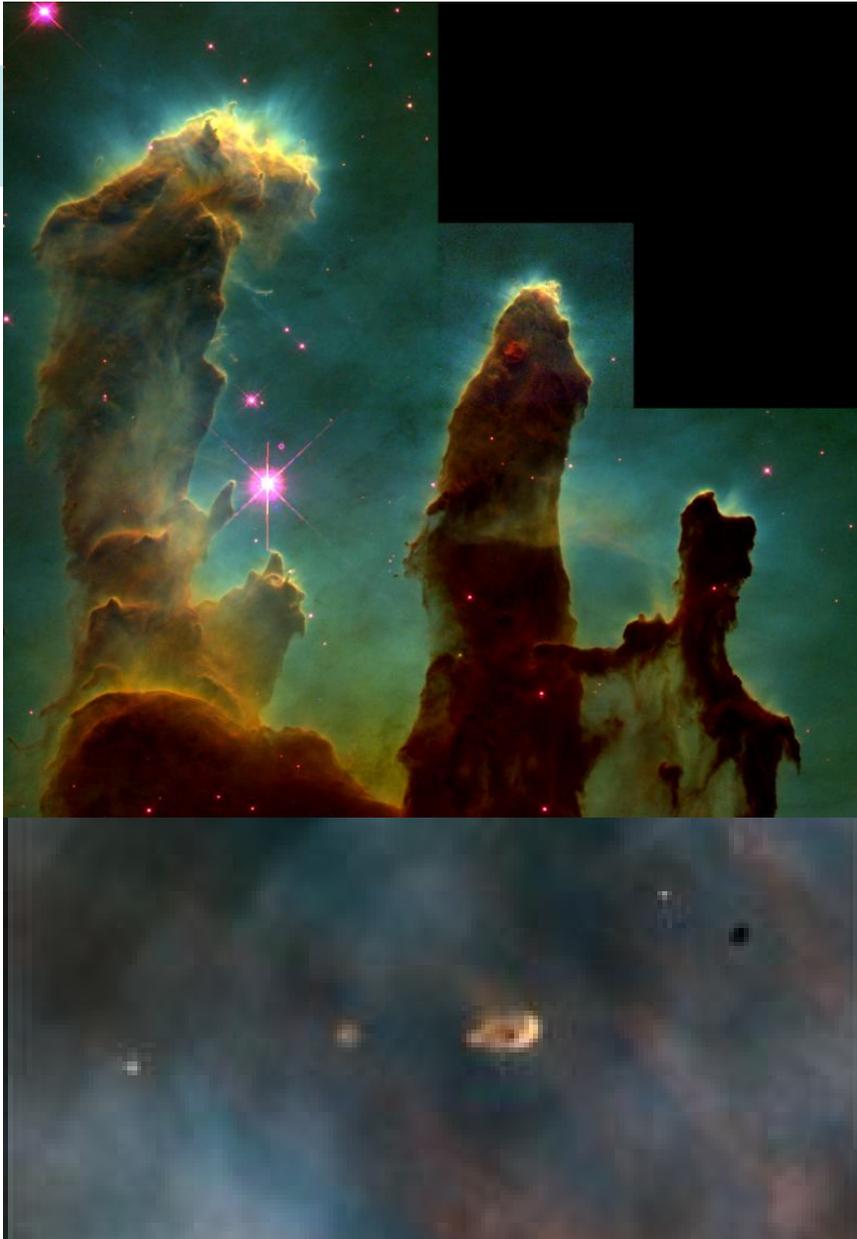


# Gravitational wave astronomy and BH-NS mergers: Uses for an astrophysical multitool



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# Why use GW?



## EM Waves

### Source:

~any accelerating charge  
screening limits size...

### Strong coupling:

Imaging often practical:

(common sources)

>> wavelength

- Easy to make & detect
- Easy to **obscure**

# Outline

What happens in a BH-NS merger?

- Dynamics
  - Precession and inspiral
  - Merger
  - Post-merger (disk; fallback; wind)
- Emission
- Gravitational waves
  - Precession and inspiral
  - Merger

What can we measure?

Formation processes and Event rates

- Isolated evolution
- Short GRBs

What do we learn?

GR tests: Parity violation in gravity; ...

Astrophysics: Progenitor models; short GRB engine mechanism; ...

Nuclear: Nuclear matter; r-process nucleosynthesis (?)

# Hidden: Internal outline(\*)

## THINGS TO ADD

- Pictures of G. Brown articles on HCE

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what happens in a bh-ns merger

- - cartoon
- - early time: gw and precession
- - movie w disrupted dynamics. point: time of disrupt, residual as probe
- lehner fallback time
- manou movies: emphasize
- - what next? : em, other signatues, poss with delayed em emission
- - short grb
- - r process in disk

GW astronomy and mergers: what we learn

# BH-NS merger movies

See script 'open-youtube-movies.sh'

Campanelli:

- \* with precession :

<http://www.youtube.com/user/Lazarus135#p/a/u/1/89EWKM7e6YQ>

– See <http://www.black-holes.org/explore2.html>

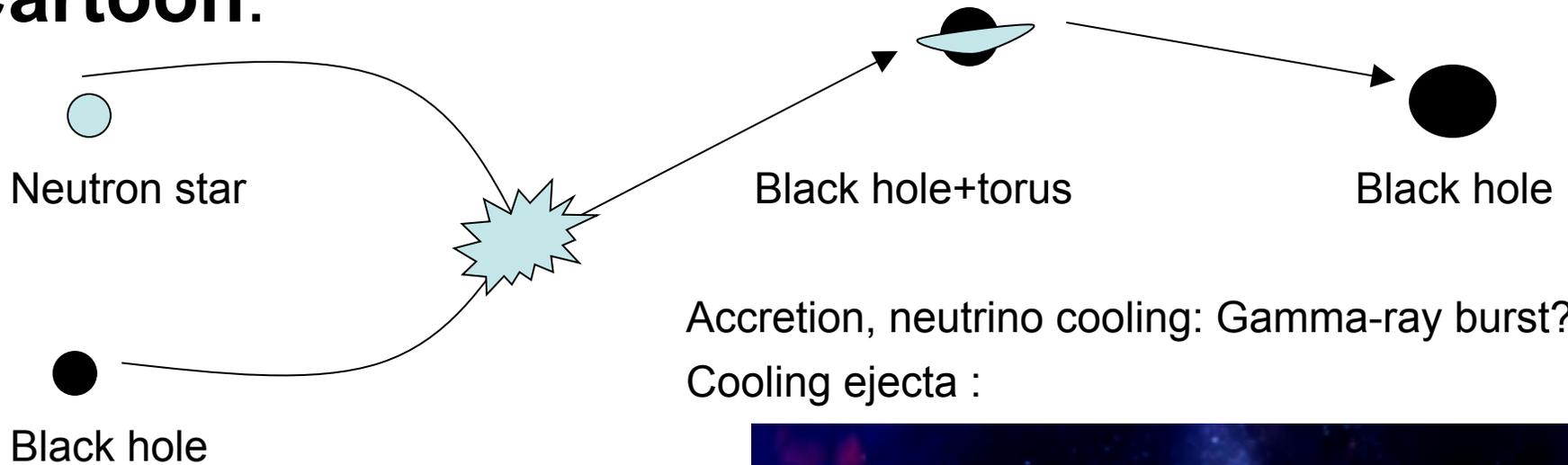
- \* without precession: more boring

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[http://www.youtube.com/user/Lazarus135#p/u/3/n3ueqgsEz\\_Y](http://www.youtube.com/user/Lazarus135#p/u/3/n3ueqgsEz_Y)

# What happens in a BH-NS merger?

## Cartoon:



Accretion, neutrino cooling: Gamma-ray burst?

Cooling ejecta :



Lee and Ramirez Ruiz 2007

Nakar 2007

Oeschlin and Janka 2006

Faber et al 2006

Shibata et al 2006, 2007

....

# What happens: Dynamics

**Early :** [ACST]

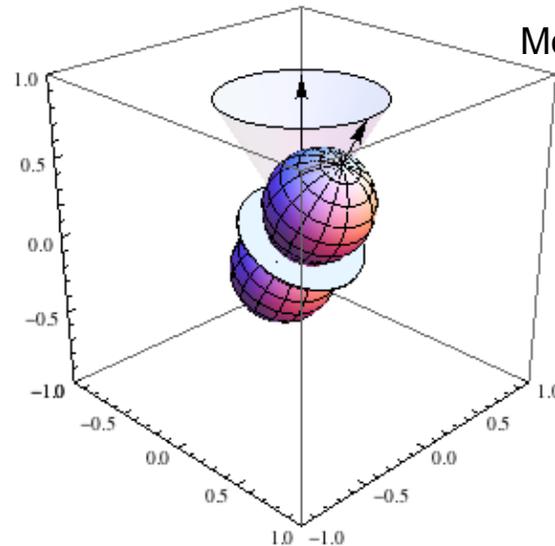
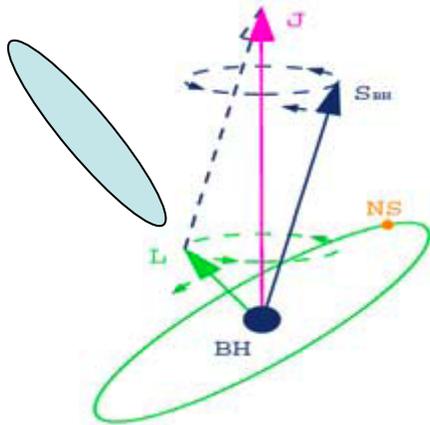
Precession:

$$H = H_{\text{orbit}} + O(L.S)$$

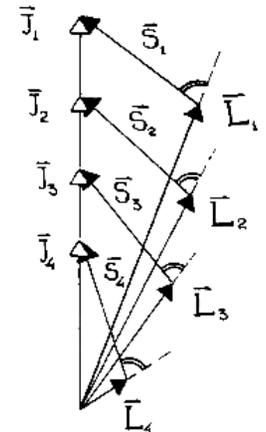
L.S ~ conserved

L ~ cone around J, widening

Orbit plane rotates



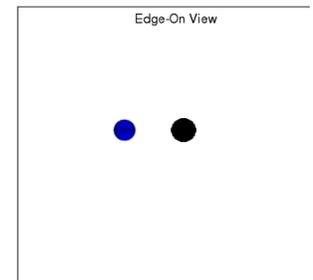
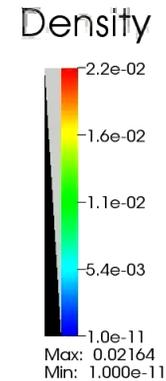
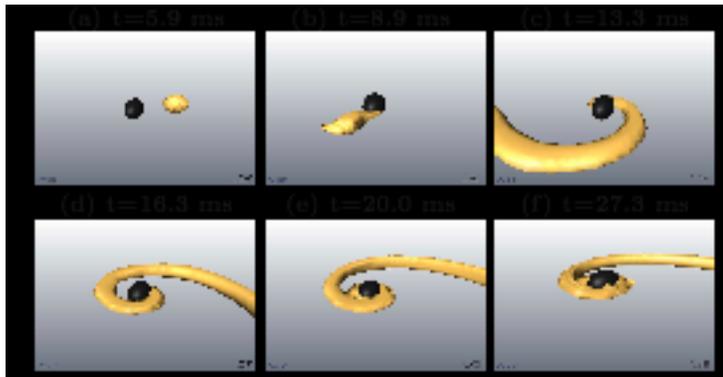
Movie: S. Hughes (gmunu.mit.edu)  
[two black holes]



# What happens: Dynamics

## Tidal disruption:

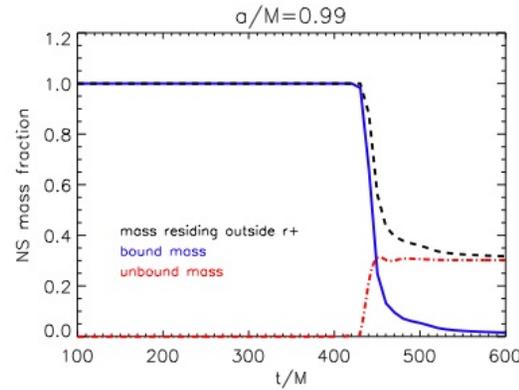
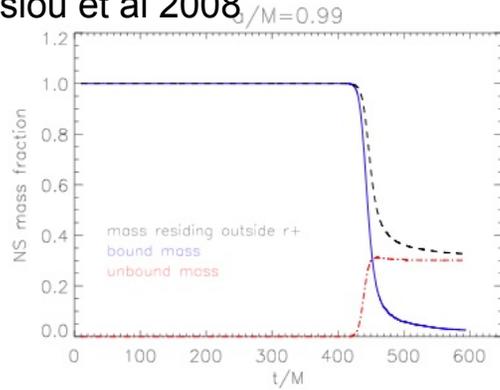
- BH tides disrupt
- Orbit along BH equator:
  - Disruption radius, ejected mass depend on BH spin
  - Tidal tail in plane
- Generic orbits
  - Disruption time depends on BH spin, alignment
  - Tidal tail fills volume [Rantsiou et al]
  - Ejected, fallback mass depends **STRONGLY** on spins  $a > 0.7$ , alignment



Time=0

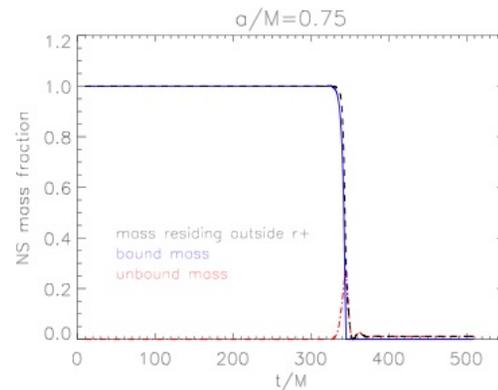
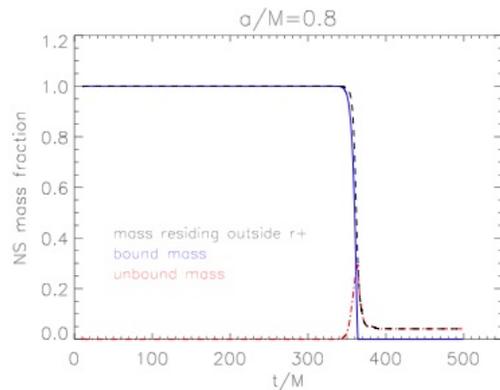
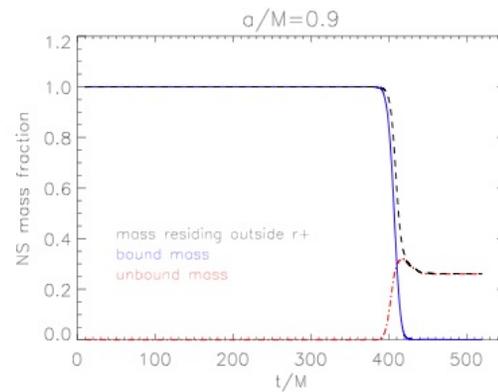
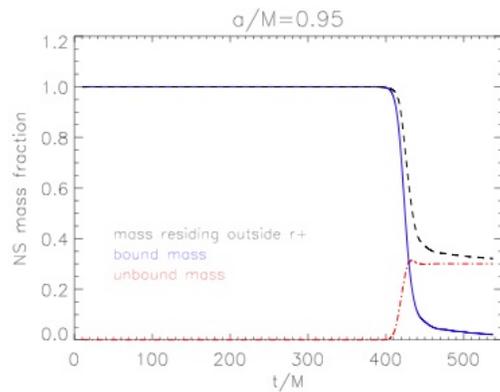
# Example: Mass vs spins (aligned)

Rantsiou et al 2008



$a=0.99$

↕ Lots ejected



$a=0.75$

× Little ejected

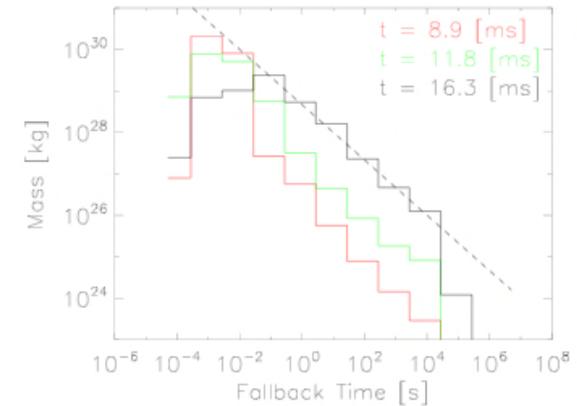
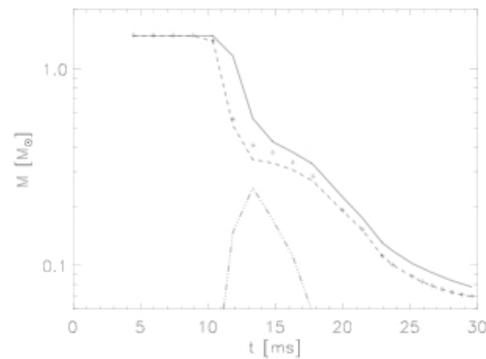
# What happens: Dynamics

## Accretion; fallback; winds

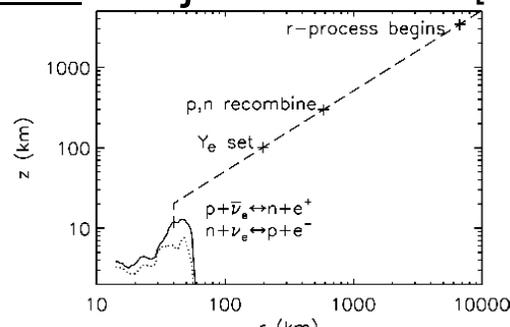
Prompt capture, disk: see movie

Fallback:  $dM/dt \sim t^{-5/3}$  (Newtonian: Rosswog ; GR+MHD,  $a=0.7$ : Chawla et al [1006.2839](#) )

Bursty (?) accretion  $\sim$  hours later

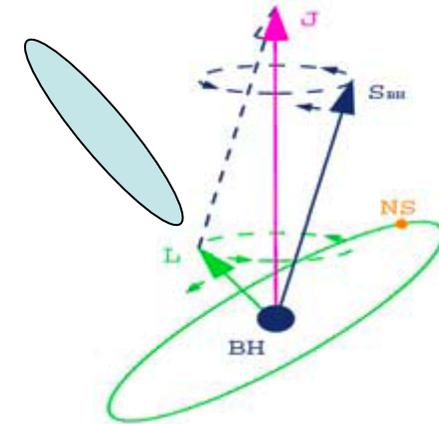
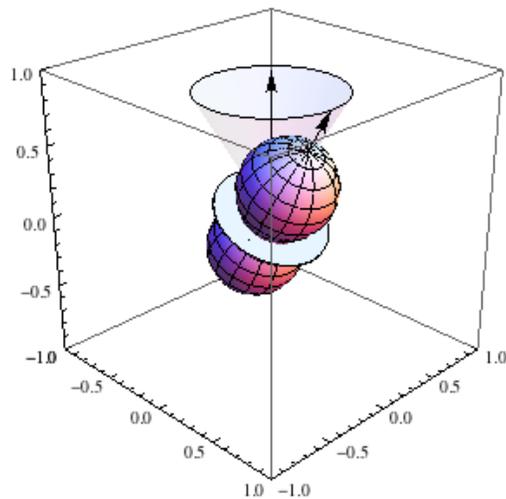


R-process in ejecta/winds: [Lattimer & Schramm 1974; Surman et al 2008; Metzger et al 2010]

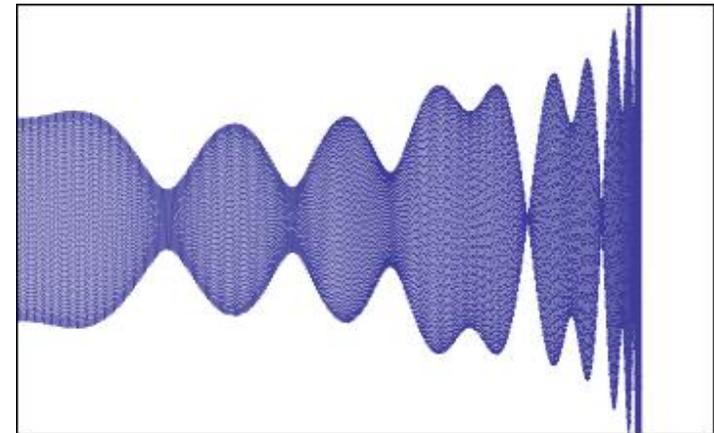


# What happens: GW

Early precession, modulation:



- occurs ~ at peak LIGO/Virgo sensitivity

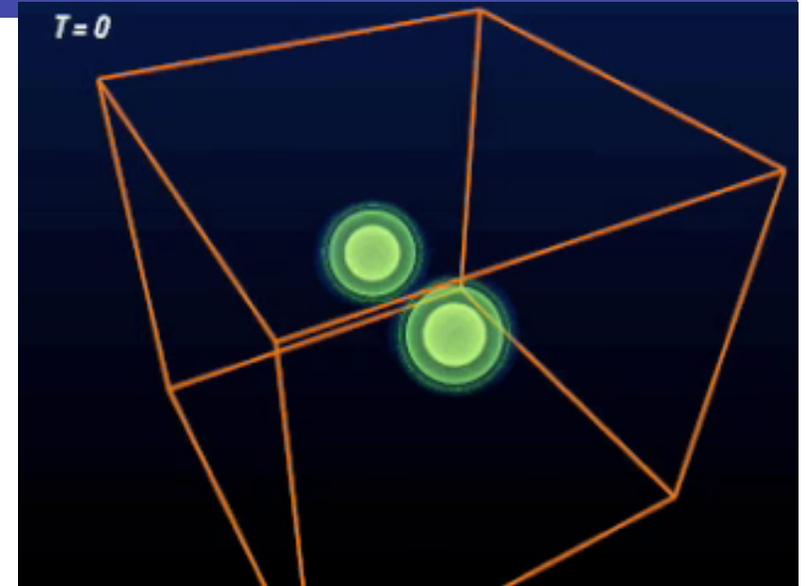
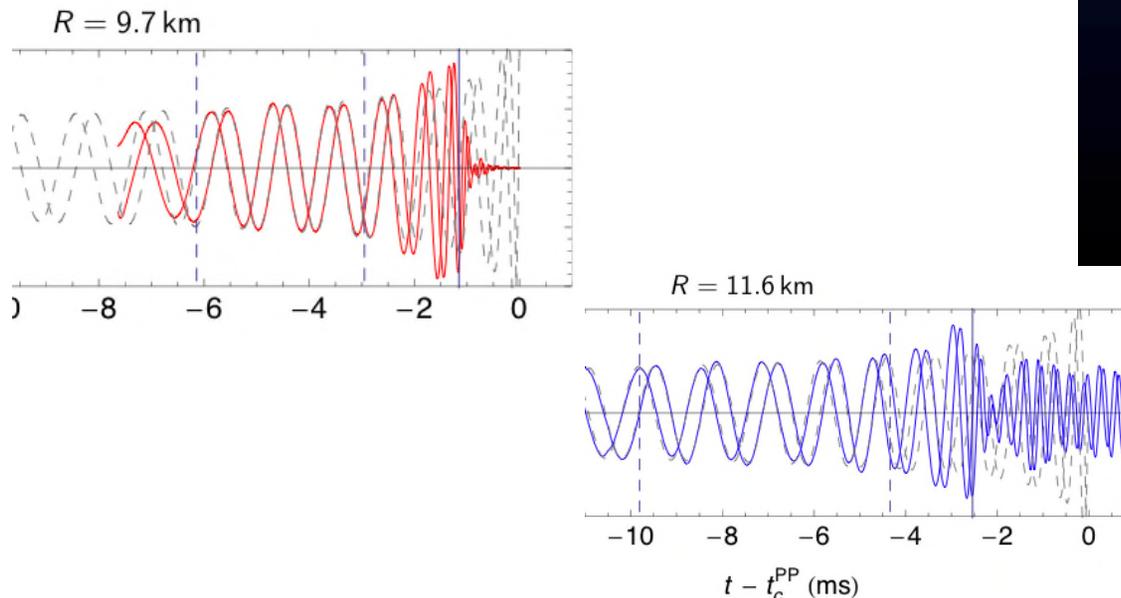


# What happens: GW

## Tidal termination [example: NS-NS]

~ Terminates at tidal radius

Radius depends on nuclear matter EOS



## BH, fluid ringdown modified vs BH-BH, NS-NS:

- less excited by smooth merger
- Weakly (!) driven by accretion

### Problem:

Both occur at high frequency

Need future detectors (ET)

# What can we measure?

## Each event, GW only:

- Mass  
Must match!  
df/dt -> mass  
[mass *ratio* : fine structure]

- Distance

$$SNR \propto \frac{M^{5/6}}{d}$$

- Orbit orientation:

**Measure beaming?**...but

- Distance-inclination degeneracy

$$\delta X/X \simeq O(1)/\rho$$

significant vs beaming angle

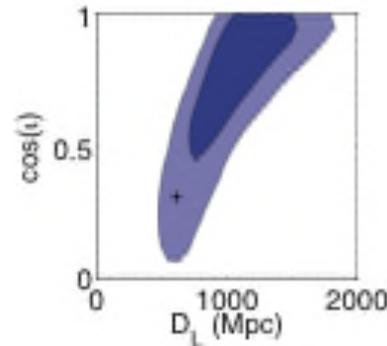
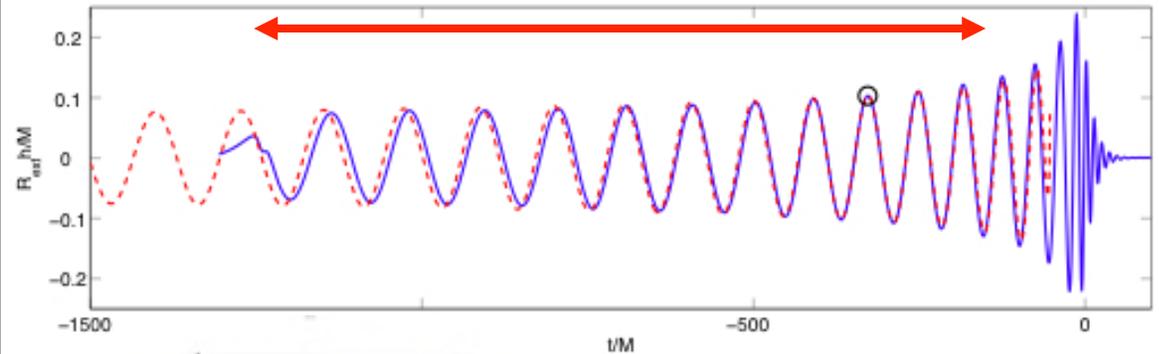
- (Black hole) spin

Precession

Only if extreme



**Spin-orbit coupling**



Nissanke et al 0904.1017

**Beamed,  
polarized  
emission**

### Polarisation and Orbit Inclination

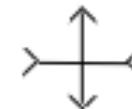
General circular inclined orbit



Edge-on



Linear polarization



Face-on



Circular polarization



# Support: Sky localization

Rule of thumb:

$$\delta X/X \simeq O(1)/\rho$$

Real calculation:

Van der Sluys et al 0710.1897

$$a=0.5, \Theta=20^\circ$$

Table (SNR 17, 2-detector)

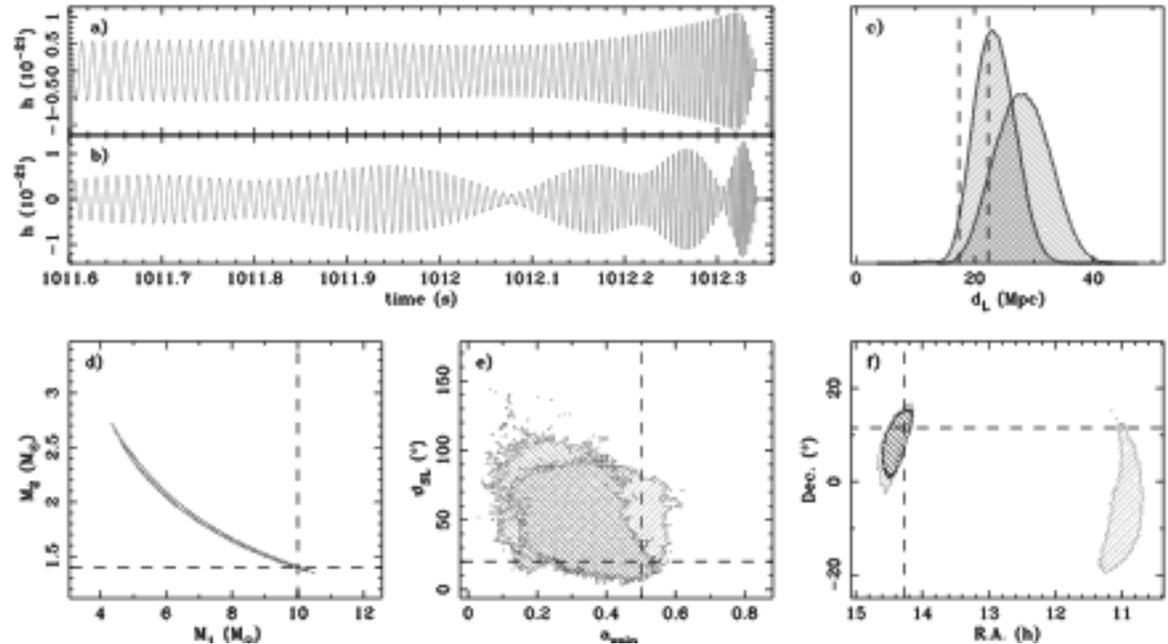


TABLE 1

INJECTION DETAILS AND WIDTHS OF THE 90%-PROBABILITY INTERVALS OF THE MCMC RUNS DESCRIBED IN THE TEXT

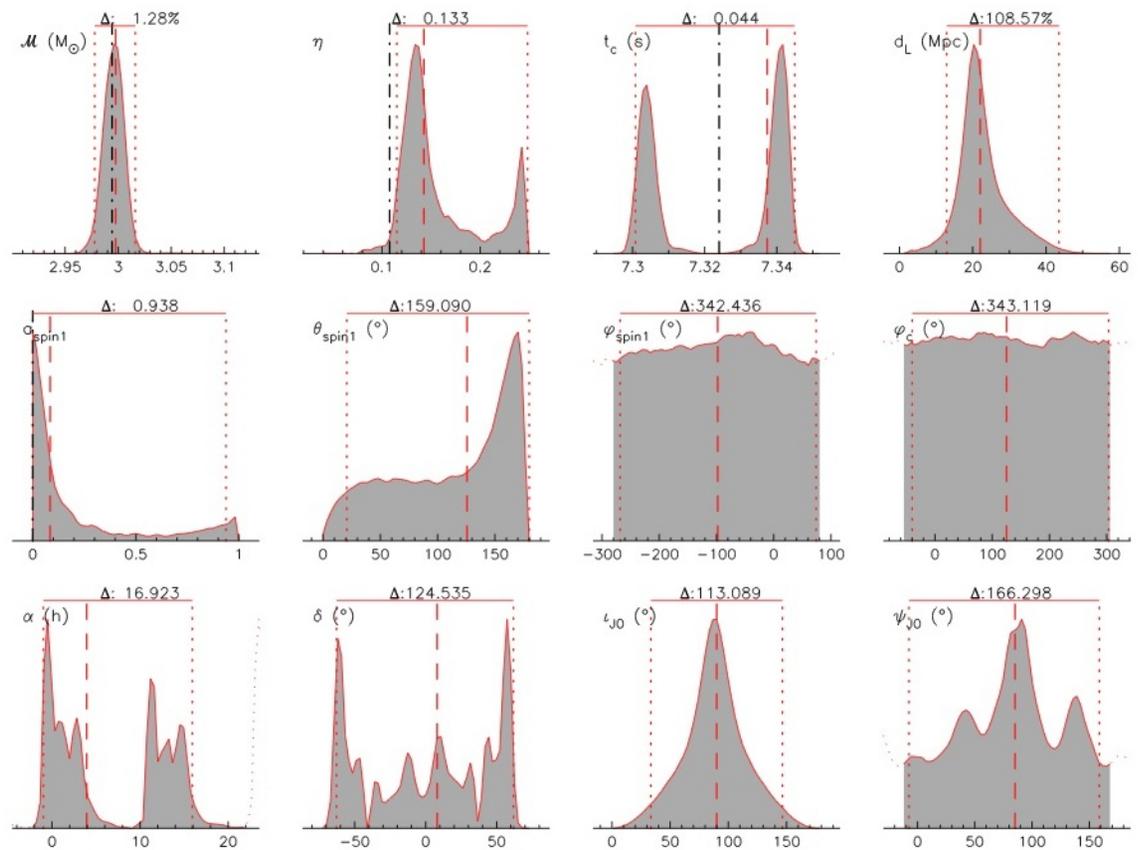
$n_{\text{det}}$	$a_{\text{spin}}$	$\theta_{\text{SL}}$ ( $^\circ$ )	$d_L$ (Mpc)	$M_1$ ( $M_\odot$ )	$M_2$ ( $M_\odot$ )	$\mathcal{M}$ ( $M_\odot$ )	$\eta$ (%)	$t_c$ (ms)	$d_L$ (%)	$a_{\text{spin}}$	$\theta_{\text{SL}}$ ( $^\circ$ )	$\phi_c$ ( $^\circ$ )	$\alpha_c$ ( $^\circ$ )	Pos. ( $^\circ^2$ )	Ori. ( $^\circ^2$ )
2	0.0	0	16.0	95	83	2.6	138	18	86	0.63	—	323	—	537	19095
2	0.1	20	16.4	102	85	1.2	90	10	91	0.91	169	324	326 <sup>a</sup>	406	16653
2	0.1	55	16.7	51	38	0.88	59	7.9	58	0.32	115	322	326	212	3749
2	0.5	20	17.4	53 <sup>b</sup>	42 <sup>a</sup>	0.90	50 <sup>b</sup>	5.4	46 <sup>c</sup>	0.26	56	330	301 <sup>b</sup>	111 <sup>a</sup>	3467 <sup>c</sup>
2	0.5	55	17.3	31	24	0.62	41	4.9	21	0.12	24	323	269 <sup>d</sup>	19.8	178 <sup>e</sup>
2	0.8	20	17.9	54 <sup>a</sup>	42 <sup>a</sup>	0.86 <sup>a</sup>	54 <sup>a</sup>	6.0	56	0.16	25 <sup>a</sup>	325	319	104 <sup>a</sup>	1540
2	0.8	55	17.9	21	16	0.66	29	4.7	22	0.15	15	320	323	22.8	182 <sup>e</sup>

Roever et al gr-qc/0609131  
 Cutler and Flanagan  
 Van den Broeck and Sengupta  
 Bose and Ajith 0901.4936

# Orientation

## Spin: Example of new parameter

- Coupling parameter ( $\alpha$ )
- Transition vs SNR: localize parameters with loud sources, not otherwise



Example

vdS et al 0905.1323

# What we can measure?

Example: Orbital phase (beta, sigma)

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_f(t_f) &= 2\pi f t_{\text{ref}} - \phi_{\text{ref}} + \psi_N \sum_{k=0}^5 \psi_k (\pi m f)^{(k-5)/3} \\ \psi_N &= \frac{3}{128\eta}, \quad \psi_0 = 1, \quad \psi_1 = 0, \\ \psi_2 &= \frac{5}{9} \left( \frac{743}{84} + 11\eta \right), \quad \psi_3 = -16\pi, \\ \psi_4 &= \frac{5}{72} \left( \frac{3058673}{7056} + \frac{5429}{7}\eta + 617\eta^2 \right), \\ \psi_5 &= \frac{5}{3} \left( \frac{7729}{252} + \eta \right) \pi + \frac{8}{3} \left( \frac{38645}{672} + \frac{15}{8}\eta \right) \ln \left( \frac{v}{v_{\text{ref}}} \right) \pi.\end{aligned}$$

... if narrowband,  
~ “modified  $\eta$ ”

$$\begin{aligned}v &= (\pi M f)^{1/3} \\ \Psi(f) &= 2\pi f t_c - \phi_c - \pi/4 \\ &+ \frac{3}{128} (\pi M_c f)^{-5/3} \left[ 1 + \frac{20}{9} \left( \frac{743}{336} + \frac{11}{4}\eta \right) v^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 4(4\pi - \beta)v^3 \right. \\ &\quad \left. 10 \left( \frac{3058673}{1016064} + \frac{5429}{1008}\eta + \frac{617}{144}\eta^2 - \sigma \right) v^4 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \frac{38645\pi}{252} - \frac{65}{3}\eta \right) \ln v \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \frac{11583231236531}{4694215680} - \frac{640\pi^2}{3} - \frac{6848\gamma}{21} \right) v^6 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \eta \left( \frac{15335597827}{3048192} + \frac{2255\pi^2}{12} + \frac{47324}{63} - \frac{7948}{9} \right) v^6 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left( \frac{76055}{1728}\eta^2 - \frac{127825}{1296}\eta^3 - \frac{6848}{21} \ln 4v \right) v^6 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \pi \left( \frac{77096675}{254016} + \frac{378515}{1512}\eta - \frac{74045}{756}\eta^2 \right) v^7 \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\beta &= \frac{\hat{L}}{M^2} \cdot \left[ \left( \frac{113}{12} + \frac{25m_2}{4m_1} \right) S_1 + \left( \frac{113}{12} + \frac{25m_1}{4m_2} \right) S_2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{12} \left[ (113(m_1/M)^2 + 75\eta) \hat{L} \cdot \hat{a}_1 + (1 \leftrightarrow 2) \right] \\ \sigma &= \frac{\eta}{48} \left[ -247\hat{a}_1 \cdot \hat{a}_2 + 721(\hat{L} \cdot \hat{a}_1)(\hat{L} \cdot \hat{a}_2) \right]\end{aligned}$$

# What can we measure?

## NS specific (hard)

Tidal disruption point (degenerate: a, EOS)Ferrari 2010 PRD 81 4026

## Each event with EM counterpart:

EM emission vs

spin-orbit misalignment (beaming)

Masses, spins (~ disk mass; “central engine”)

Host galaxy

Metallicity & star formation: past and present

Optical counterpart, non-afterglow

r-process in mergers or not?

Ejecta, disk mass vs BH mass, spin

[Metzger 2010]



GW not required  
(just trigger)

## Population:

$M_2/m_1$ ,  $|S|$  distribution (BH masses & spins)

EM counterpart:  $m_1$  vs  $Z$  : BH mass vs metallicity

spin-orbit misalignment (SN kicks)

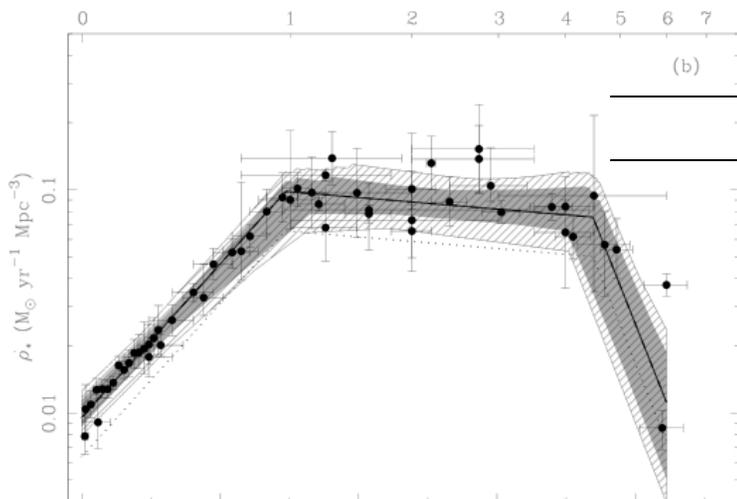
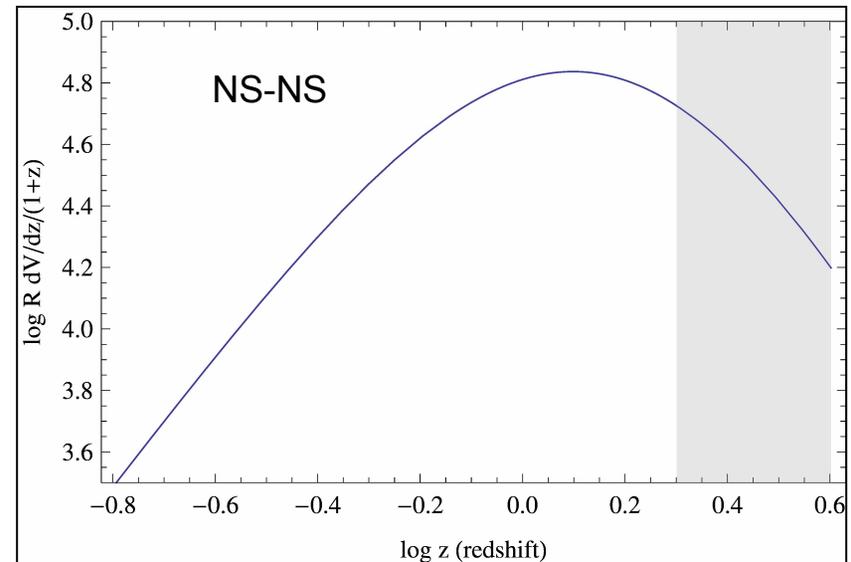
Rate (common envelope, etc)

# What can we eventually measure?

## Third-generation: tomography

Example: NS-NS:

- $d\text{Volume}(z) \cdot \text{rate}(z)/(1+z)$   
= “rate per redshift bin”
- $O(10^5\text{-}10^6)$  detections
  - **Rate** vs distance
  - **Mass distribution** vs distance
- Reach  $\sim$  peak SFR



$\sim \times 2$

Hopkins & Beacom ApJ 651 142 2006

([astro-ph/0601463](https://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0601463)): Fig. 4

# Mass distribution versus redshift

## Example: BH mass (via BH-NS)

Idea: Chirp mass traces BH mass

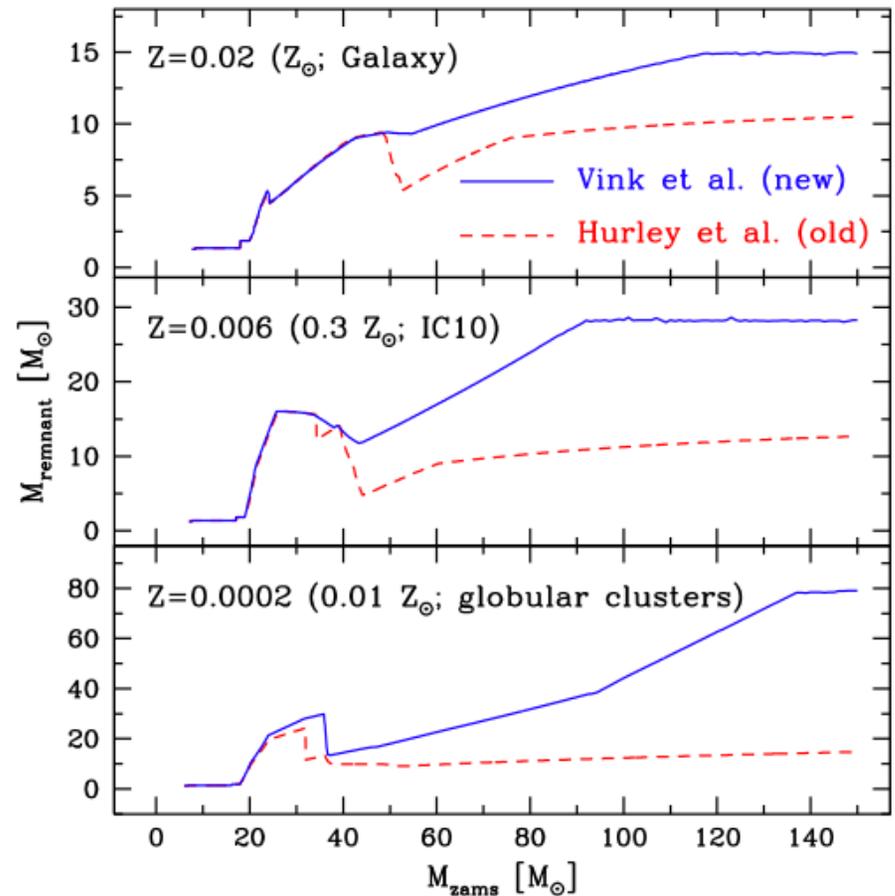
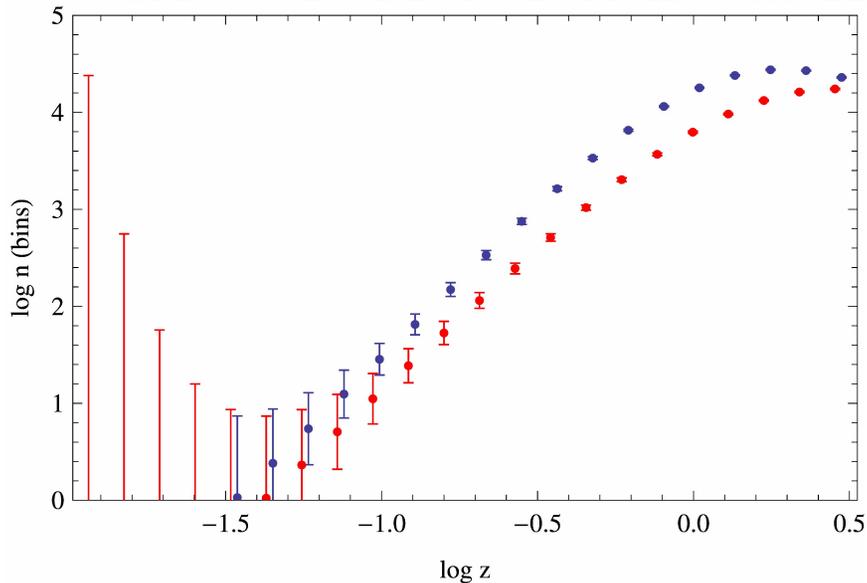
Typical BH mass evolves with  $z$

## Qualitative:

$O(10^4/\text{bin}) \rightarrow O(1\%)$  accuracy!

Important! Metallicity evolves, irregular

Initial  $\rightarrow$  final relation uncertain (winds)



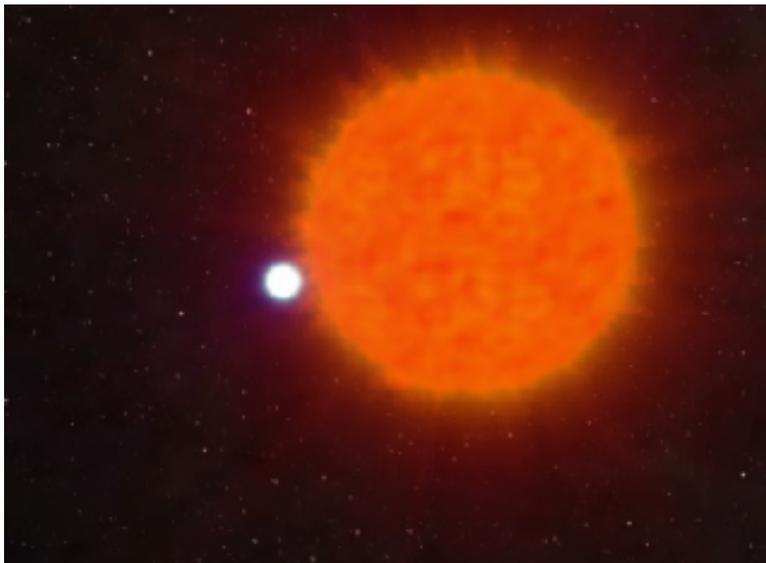
Belczynski et al 0904.2784

# Formation model

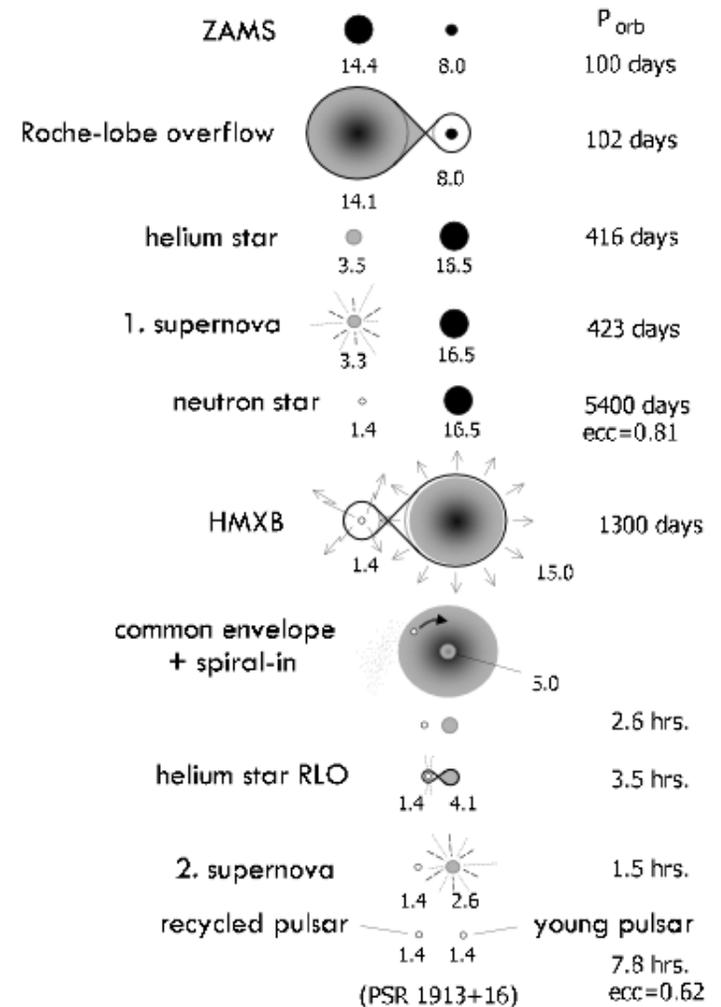
## Isolated binary evolution

### Outline of typical evolution

- Evolve and **expand**
- Mass transfer (perhaps)
- Supernovae #1
- Mass transfer (perhaps)
- Supernovae #2



Movie: [John Rowe](#)



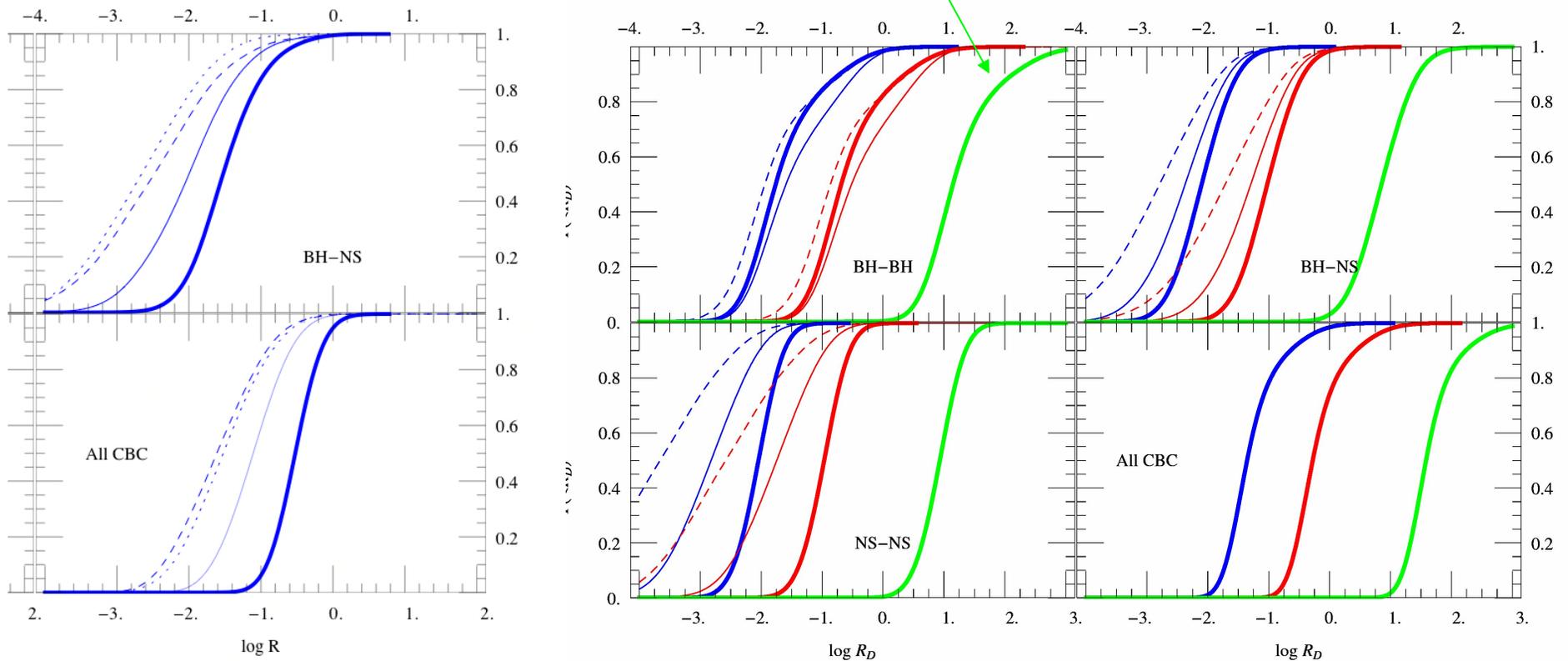
Formation of Hulse-Taylor (B1913+16)  
Voss and Tauris 2003

# Predicted merger, GW detection rates

**Mergers:**  $<10/\text{gal}/\text{Myr}$

[ROS et al 0908.3635]

**Detections:**  $O(30/\text{yr})$ , aLIGO network



$\log (\text{rate} \cdot \text{Myr})$ , single detector

# Formation model: Key points

- **Mass transfer:**

Small orbit-> MT essential

GW radiation “fast” (< 10 Gyr)  
only for tight orbits

Example: Hulse-Taylor

$$\tau_{gw} \simeq 0.3 \text{Gyr}$$

$$a \simeq 2.7 R_{\odot} \ll O(10^3 R_{\odot}) \simeq R_{\text{giant}}$$

Mass transfer phenomenological:

parameterized (via energy or J) to unbind envelope

Visible connections!:

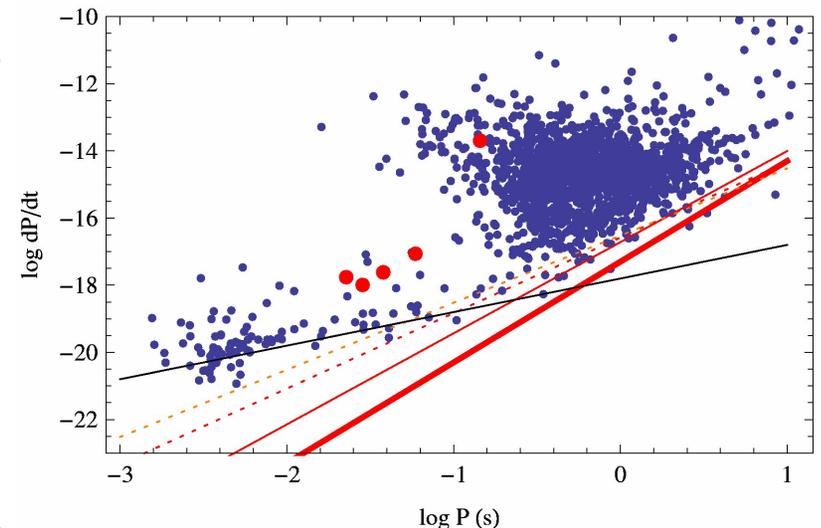
- (recycled?) Pulsar binaries

- **Good:**

- Long-lived remnants!
- Precise measurements

- **Challenges:**

- Pulsar population statistics challenging:  
**many** potential (time-evolving?) biases: L distrib; galaxy distrib;  
beaming, B/L evolution, accn, ...  
P-dP/dt diagram flow/popsyn still phenomenological
- Theory: PSR-BH binaries should *~never* be recycled



# Formation model unknowns

- Supernova kicks

## Isotropic kicks?

Hobbs vs Arzoumanian

Group: explore all

## Polar?

*Motivation:* Spin-kick alignment?

(e.g., neutrino/B/. kick)

For: obs claims (Lai et al 2001; Wang; Ng Romani Kaplan et al 2008);

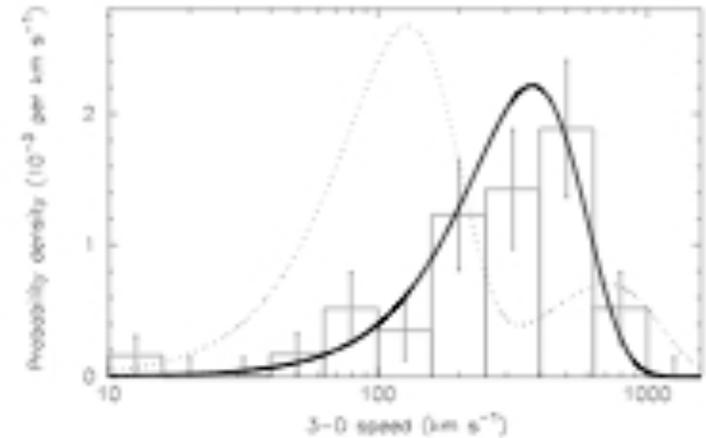
Against: Willems et al 2008 (low kicks required to fit PSR-NS e;  
high kicks seem required for others)

*Impact for us:*

huge rate reduction b/c never “kicking closer”

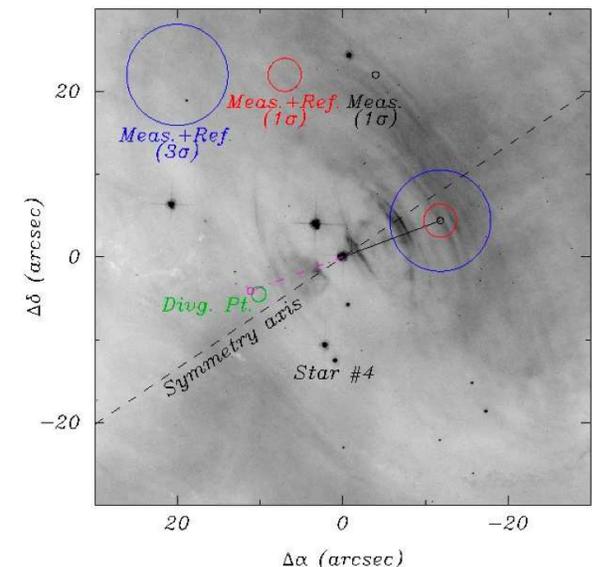
Kuranov et al 0901.1055; Postnov & Kuranov 0710.4465

Group: not explored extensively now; could be



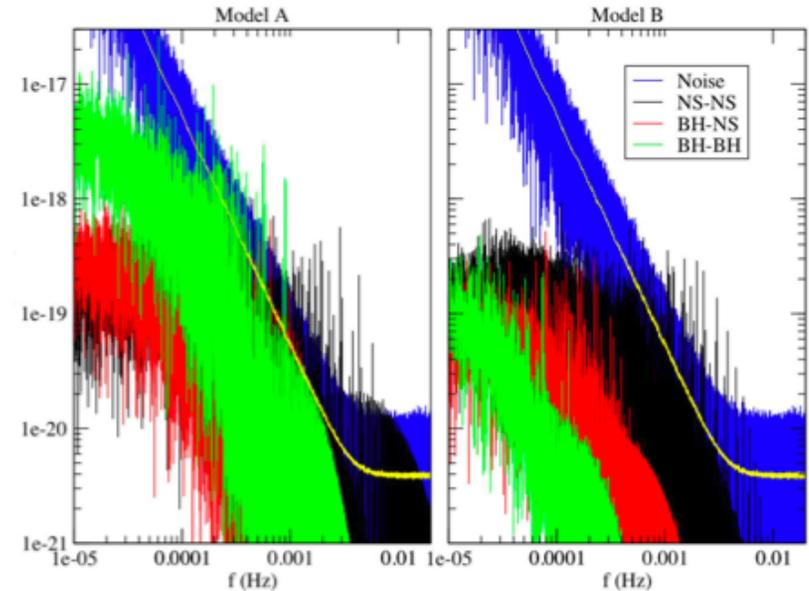
Hobbs et al

## Crab motion

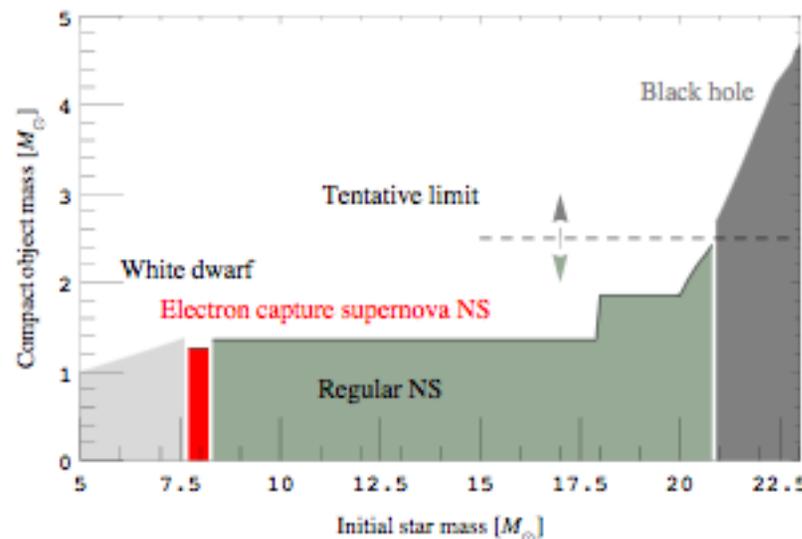


# Formation model unknowns

- Supernova kicks
- Evolution model
  - Hertzsprung gap merger
    - ultracompacts survive/not
    - **big** effect on BH rate
    - Changes background LISA binary #
  - NS maximum mass
  - Bondi rate in CE; AIC



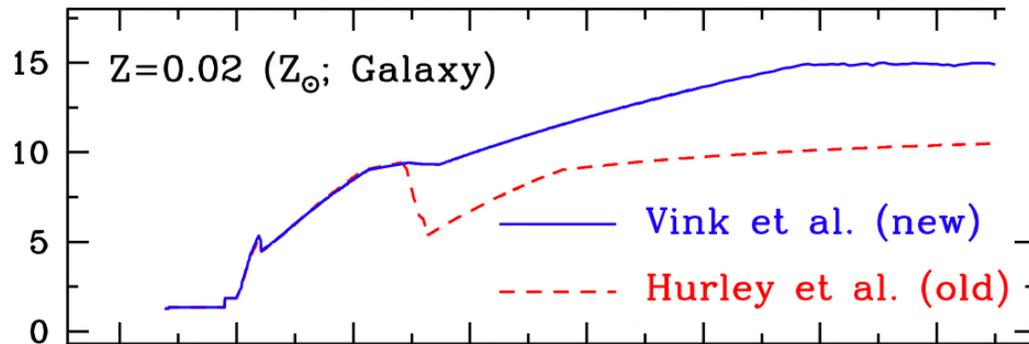
Belczynski 0811.1602



Belczynski, ROS, et al ApJ 680 129

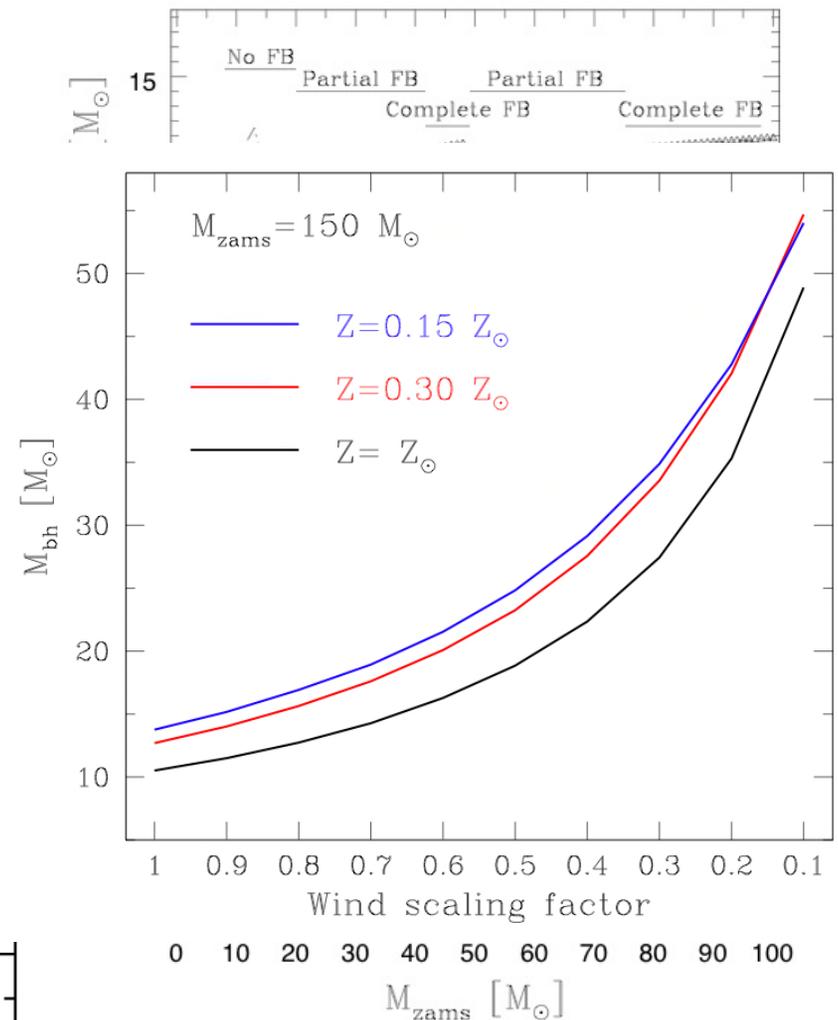
# Formation model unknowns

- Evolution model
- Supernova kicks
- Winds  
Strong effect on star->BH mass  
Recent update



Belczynski et al 2009

“revised” winds



Belczynski et al 2002

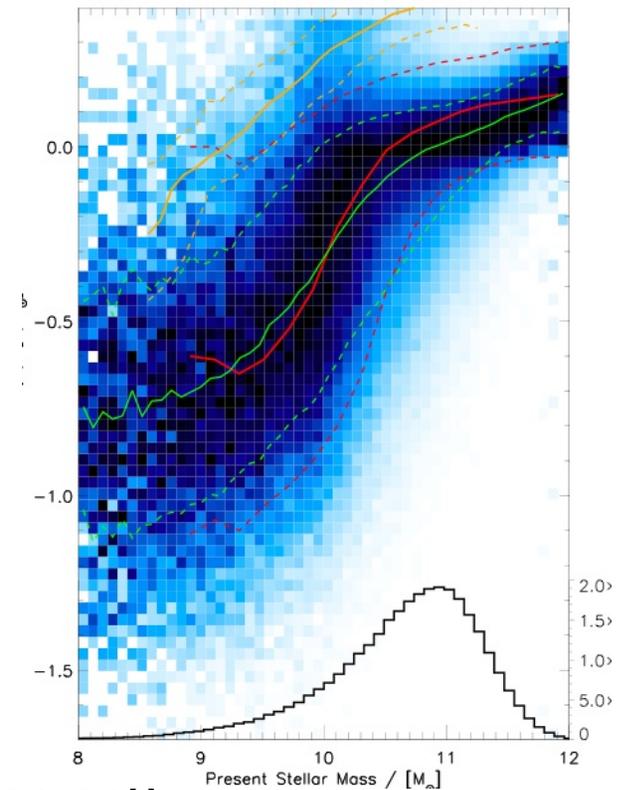
“original” winds + scale factor

# Formation model unknowns

- Evolution model
- Supernova kicks
- Winds
- Metallicity distribution: (input uncertainty)
  - Formation, detection rate *sensitive*
  - Wide distribution of conditions
  - Metallicity evolves strongly with  $z$   
(Pei, Fall, Hauser)

=> typical detected binary from *highly atypical* region?

[ROS and Koparappu, 0812.0591]



Panter et al 2008

# Merger physics

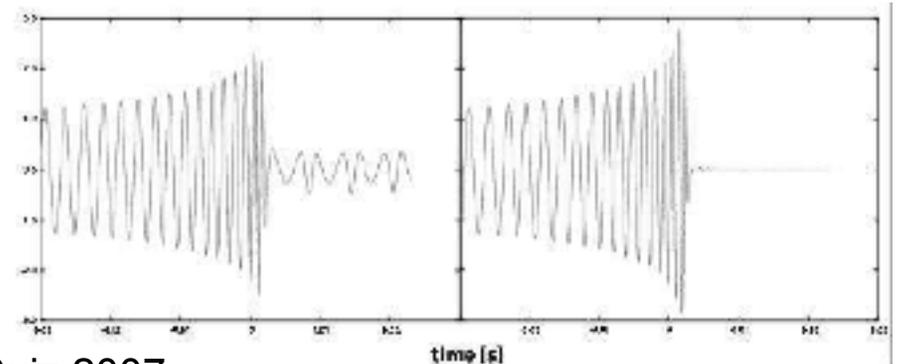
## Tidal disruption point

Disruption terminates signal

[Faber et al PRL 89 1102f]

Not in band ( $f \sim f_{\text{breakup}} \sim 1000$  Hz)

**Golden binaries?** + aLIGO



Lee and Ramirez-Ruiz 2007

## Sloshing of hypermassive transient/remnant disk

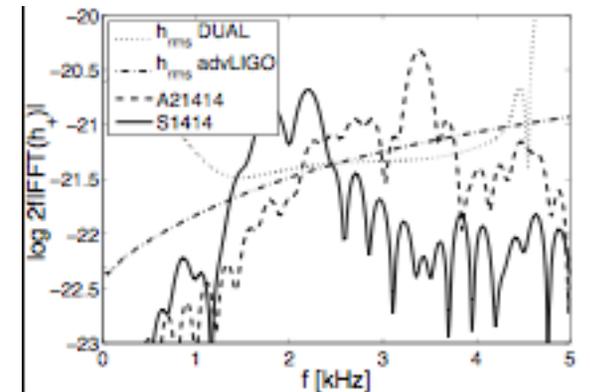
Not in band

Weak

- need implausibly close (20 Mpc)

+ aLIGO

Oechslin and Janka PRL 99 1102 (2007)



## Tidal-orbit coupling

Change **early** part of signal

Limit “Love number”

Flanagan and Hinderer, PRD 75 1502 (2008)

: aLIGO can weakly constrain

# What can we learn?

## Does gravity violate parity? [Yunes, ROS et al [arXiv:1005.3310](https://arxiv.org/abs/1005.3310)]

- Many theoretical GR extensions add “Chern-Simons” parity-violating term

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left( R + \frac{1}{4} \theta \mathbf{R} * \mathbf{R} + (\nabla\theta)^2 + V(\theta) \right)$$

- Weak effect: **preferred handedness** : amplifies over cosmological distances

- Test:

- Short GRB: source of circularly polarized GW of “known” amplitude (if host known)
- Test if any source (or population of all L, R handed) agrees with predictions:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\rho^2}{\rho_{GR}^2} &= 1 + 2 \langle v \rangle & \frac{\delta(\dot{\theta}/a)}{\delta D} &\equiv H_o \dot{\theta} q \\ & & q &\simeq O(1) \\ &= 1 + 2 \langle f \rangle D\pi \frac{\delta(\dot{\theta}/a)}{\delta D} \end{aligned}$$

- Only propagation test. Better than (non-propagating) solar system tests

# What will we learn?

## Example: Reproduce # of MW NS-NS binaries

- Not all parameter combinations allowed

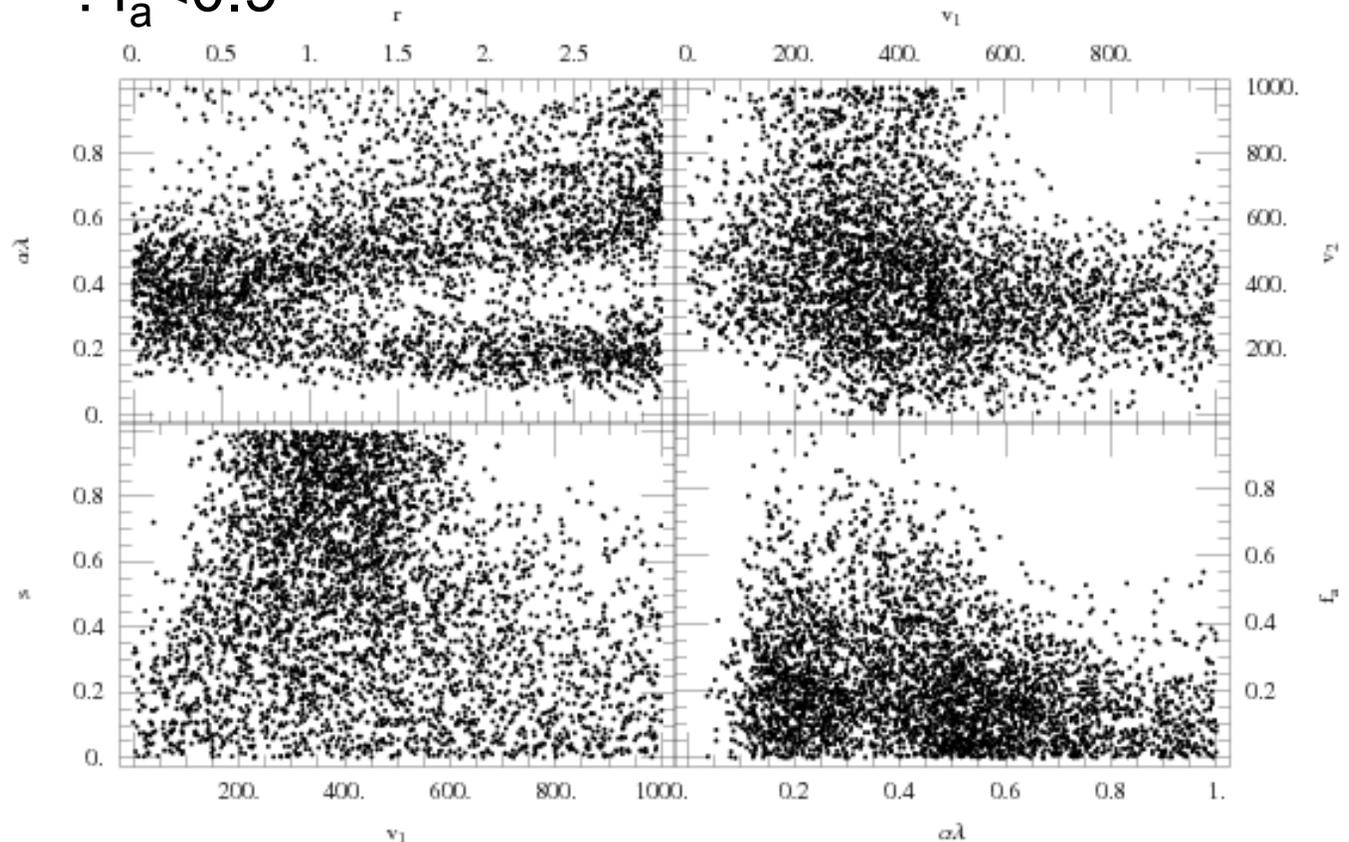
### Examples:

- Kick strength:  $v_1, v_2 \sim 300$  km/s
- CE efficiency:  $\alpha\lambda > 0.1$
- Mass loss :  $f_a < 0.9$

ROS et al astro-ph/0610075

Lots of physics  
in  
correlations

..similarly for  
GW detections  
with **first few**



# What will we learn?

## **First O(30) detections:**

- What are the masses, spins of BHs at birth?
- Are some short GRBs BH-NS mergers? If so,
  - how does the central engine work?
  - What trends with host Z?
- Roughly what processes make them?
- Is there weak gravitational parity violation? MOND? Graviton mass?  
Modified gravity in strong field?

## **Third generation:**

- Mass, spin distributions versus redshift
  - EM counterpart: confirm trends with host Z
- What progenitor-model parameters reproduce the observed population?

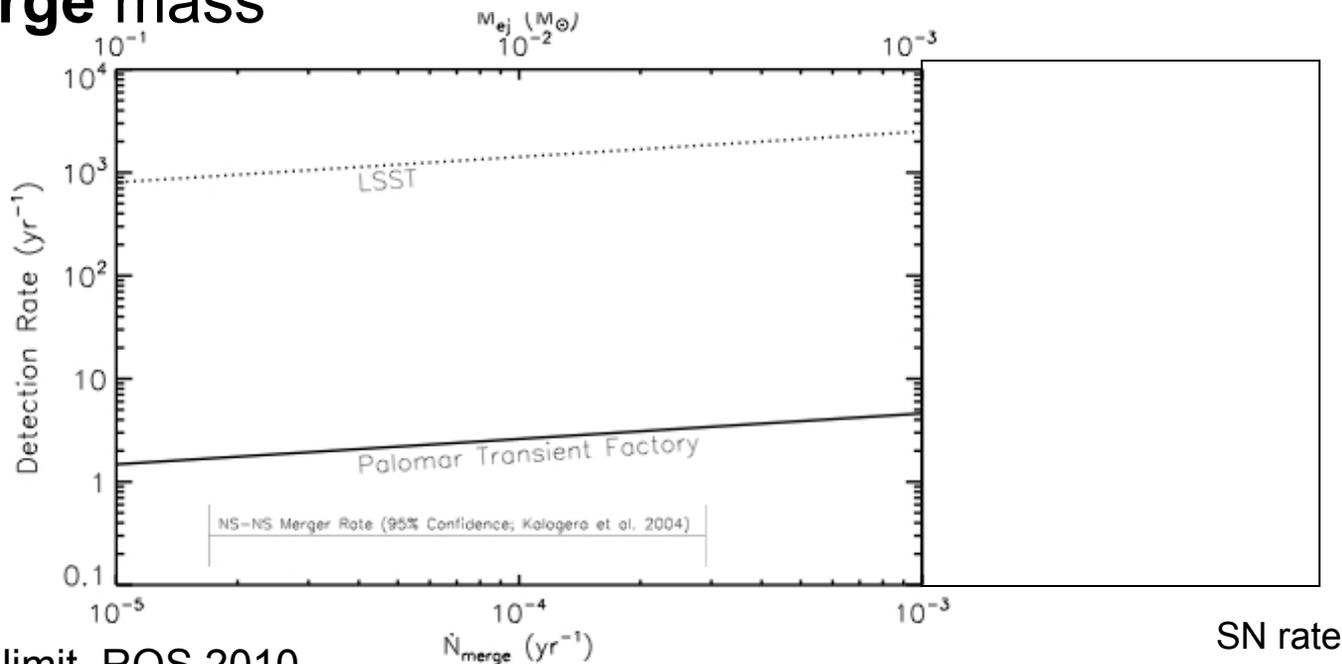
# What will we learn?

## R-process via mergers?

- Bright, isotropic EM counterparts expected [Metzger 2010]
- Easy to see with transient sky surveys (PTF; LSST)
- Detection rate  $\sim$  constant; set by average r-process  $dM/dt$  from mergers

If all r-process from mergers

**Large mass**  $10^{-6} M_{\odot}/yr = dM/dt = \langle R_{mgr} M_{ej} \rangle$

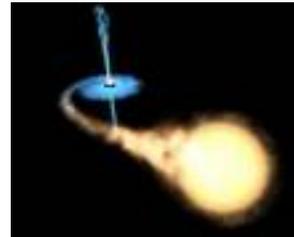


Upper limit, ROS 2010

SN rate

# Spin?

**Alignment = signature!**



Isolated binaries  
**Aligned spins**



**Star forming gas**

References include

- Belczynski, Kalogera, Bulik 2002; Belczynski
  - O' Shaughnessy et al. in prep
- + astro-ph/0610076; 0609465; 0504479

Interacting clusters' stellar mass binaries  
**Random spin alignment**



References include

- Sadowski et al 2008
- O' Shaughnessy et al PRD 76 061504
- O' Leary et al astro-ph/0508224

# Conclusion

- Gravitational waves turn BH-NS population from mystery to tool:
  - Known population
  - > Better known formation process
  - > Constrained GRB engine, nuclear matter, r-process
  - > “Standard candle” enabling pure-GR tests

Even valuable by their absence...

# Quiz: GRB 070201

## Quiz: GRB 070201

Overlaps M31

( $d < 1 \text{ Mpc} \ll d_{\text{LIGO}}$ )

What could you learn if

- Detection?
- No detection?
  - Could be farther away merger
  - Could be non-merger in M31

Point: GW from BH-NS isolate multiple GRB progenitors!

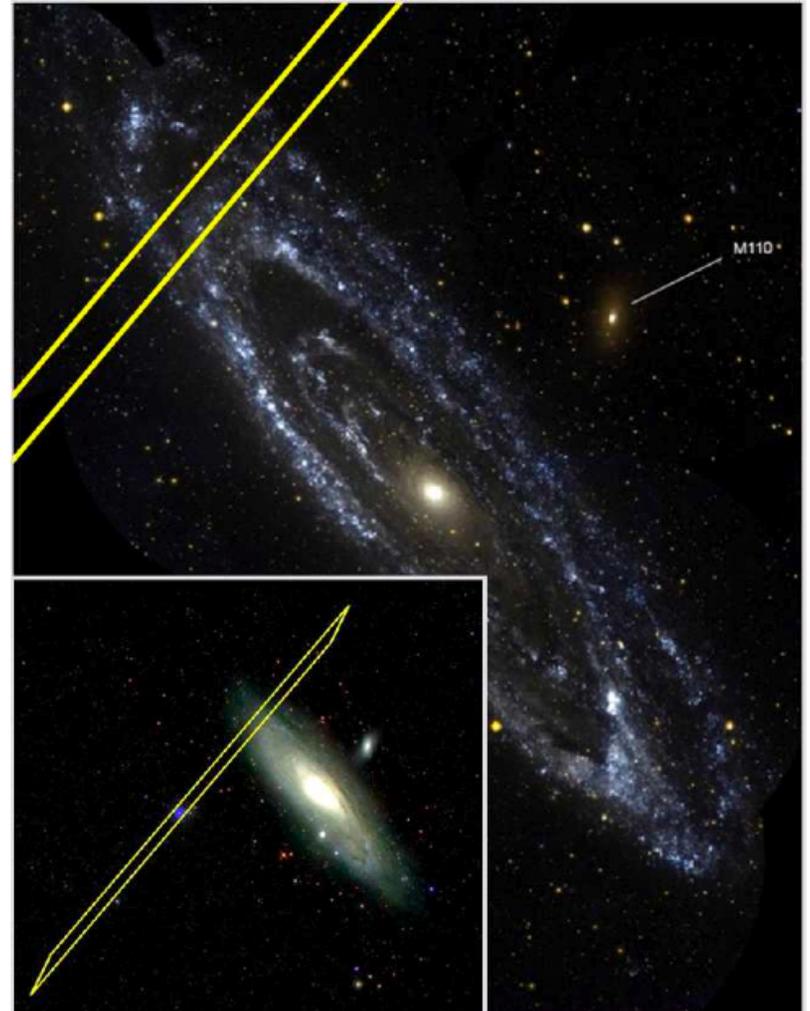


FIG. 1. — The IPN3 (IPN3 2007) ( $\gamma$ -ray) error box overlaps with the spiral arms of the Andromeda galaxy (M31). The inset image shows the full error box superimposed on an SDSS (Adelman-McCarthy et al. 2006; SDSS 2007) image of M31. The main figure shows the overlap of the error box and the spiral arms of M31 in UV light (Thilker et al. 2005).

# HOLDING MATERIAL

# Masses of compact remnants

## Theory

- Most NS born

~  $1.4 M_{\odot}$

[Fryer & Kalogera 2001;

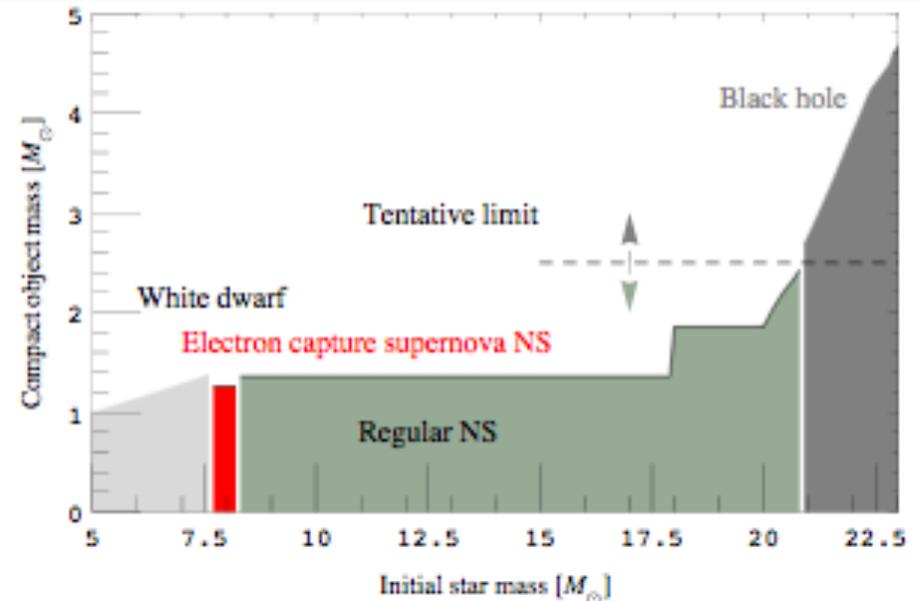
Timmes, Woosley, & Weaver 1996]

- Final compact mass

~ constant [Timmes et al 1996]

- Small fraction at higher masses

- Accretion (binary evolution) rarely increases mass much [Belczynski et al 2006]



...all standard

# Young/proto NS models

## Excellent multimessenger candidate:

EM, GW, neutrino signatures

## GW emission modes:

Magnetar Perturbations (crust/EM: Duncan-Thompson)

...K. Kokkotas talk

+ LIGO SGR storm paper 0905.0005

## NS merger-> hypermassive: (Shapiro; Rezzolla; ...)

- Disruption radius & EOS [Faber; Read; ..]
- Bar modes of remnant
- Caveats: B field; neutrino cooling

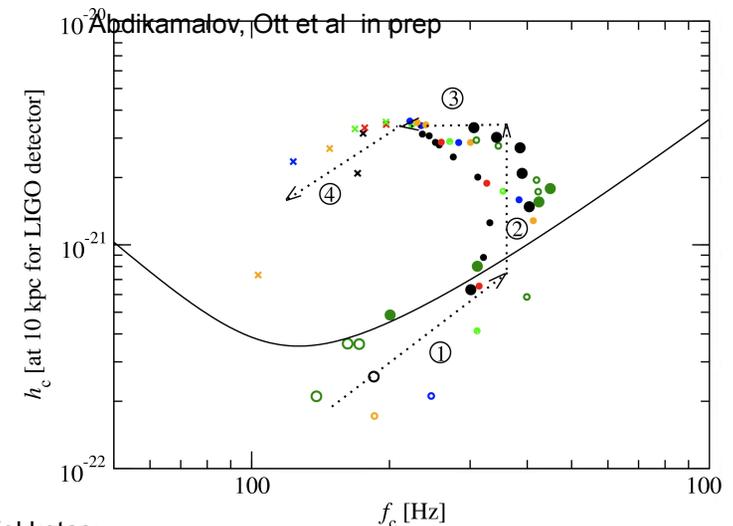
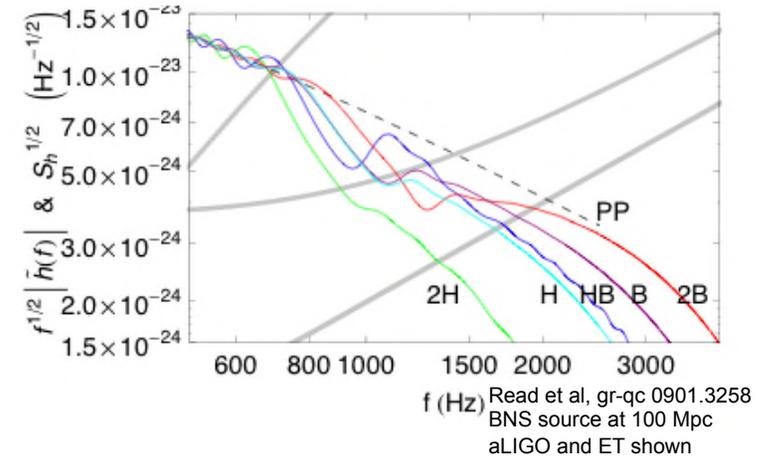
## AIC: WD->NS:

- Very like SN:
  - 1-parameter family vs rotation
- Observations constrain mechanism (not EOS)

## Problem: Short GW range

Range low -- often only MW...hard

Not all short GRBs



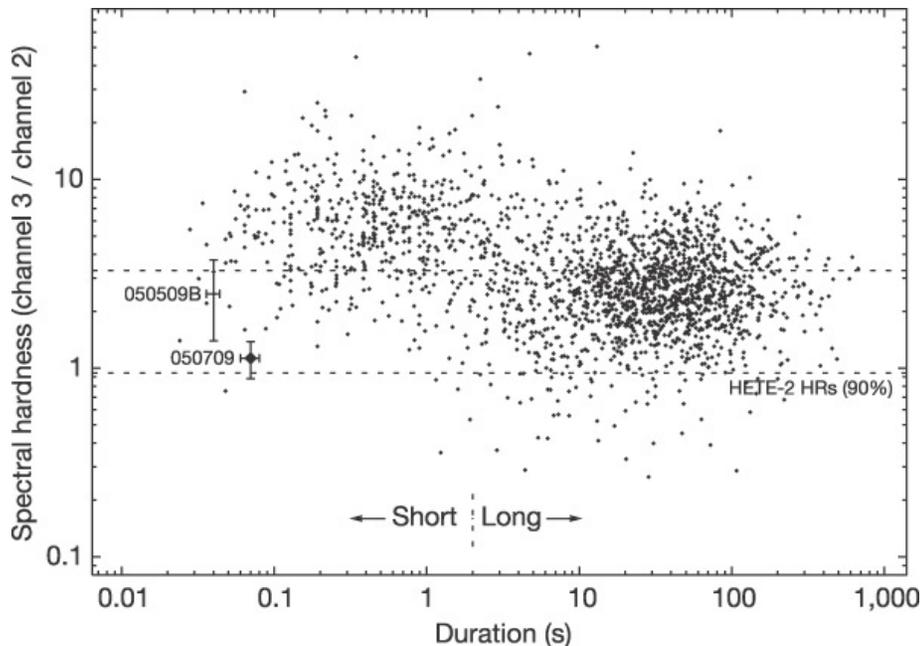
## Further references

- *Isolated NS modes*: Kokkotas; LIGO SGR papers : 0808.2025; 0905.0005 LIGO GRB 070201: 0711.1163
- *Isolated proto-NS (merger/AIC)*: Thompson talks; Metzger et al 0712.1233; Dessart et al 0705.3678
- *NS mergers*: Read et al & refs therein

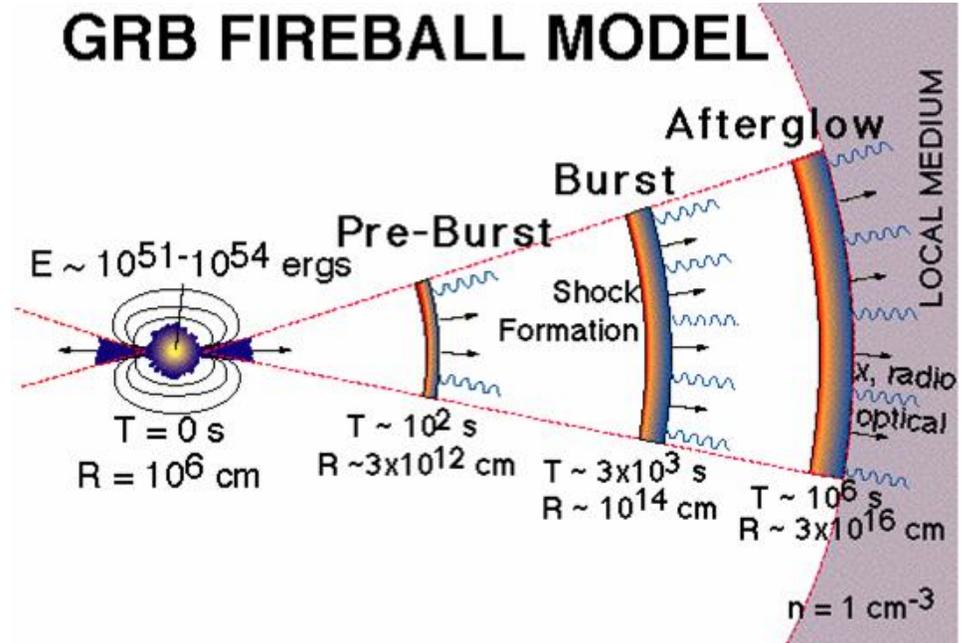
# Short GRBs: Review

## GRBs generally

- “Fireball model”:  
central engine hidden  
(unless post-blast wave signature: SN = long?)
- Non-fireball post- or pre-burst signal needed



## GRB FIREBALL MODEL



## Two classes

[Swift website](#)

Long : Post-burst (some) are SN;  
correlate to early SFR; ...

Short : ....

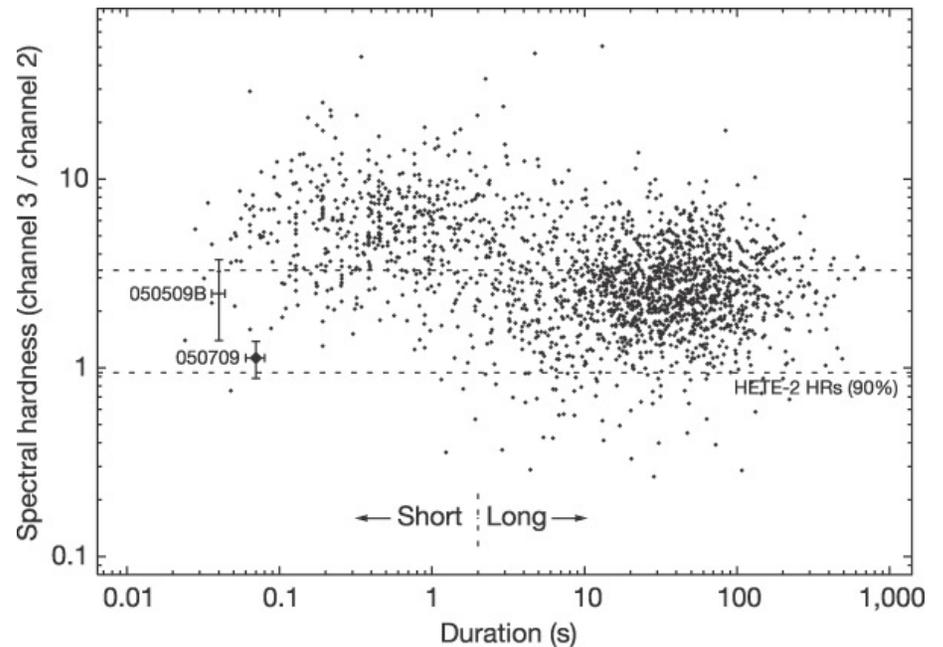
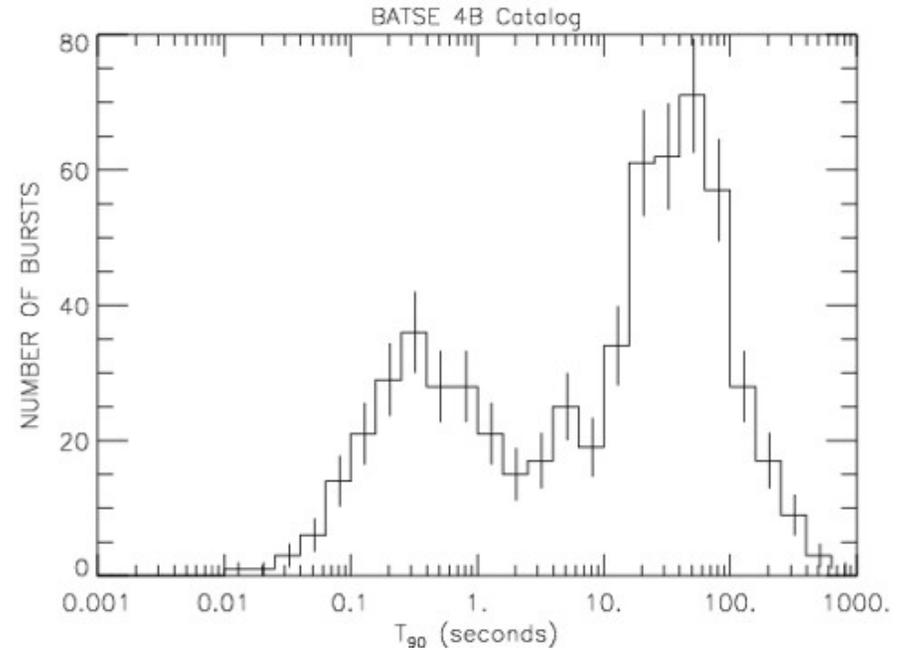
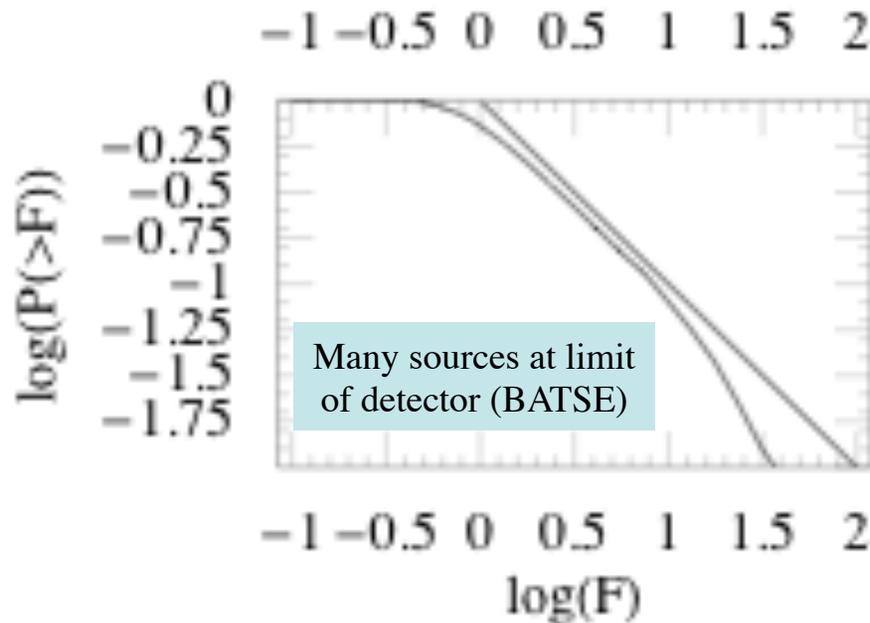
# Short GRBs: Review

## Short GRBs (BATSE view)

- Cosmological
- One of two classes
- Hard: often peaks out of band
- Flux power law

$$dP/dL \sim L^{-2}$$

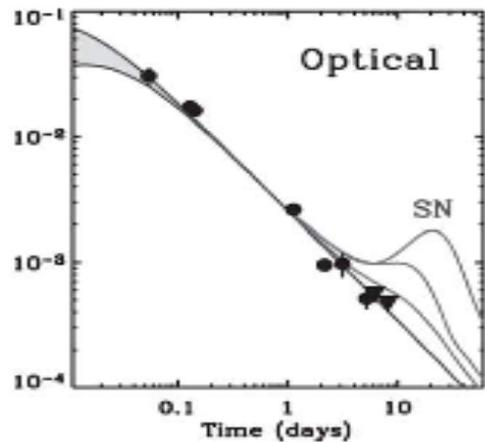
--> **most** (probably) **unseen**



# Short GRBs: Review

## Merger motivation?

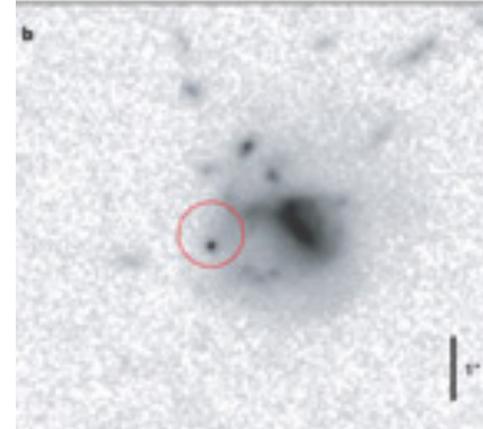
- No SN structure in afterglow



GRB 051221 (Soderberg et al 2006)

- In both **old**, young galaxies

- Occasional host **offsets**



GRB 050709 (Fox et al Nature 437 845)

- Energetics prohibit magnetar

Selected short GRBs			
GRB	Host	$L/L_*$	SFR $M_\odot/\text{yr}$
050509b	E	3	< 0.1
050709b	Sb/Sc	0.1	0.2
050724	E	1.5	< 0.03
051221	S	0.3	1.4
060502	E	1.6	0.6

(Nakar, 2006 : Table 3)

# Short GRB event rates?

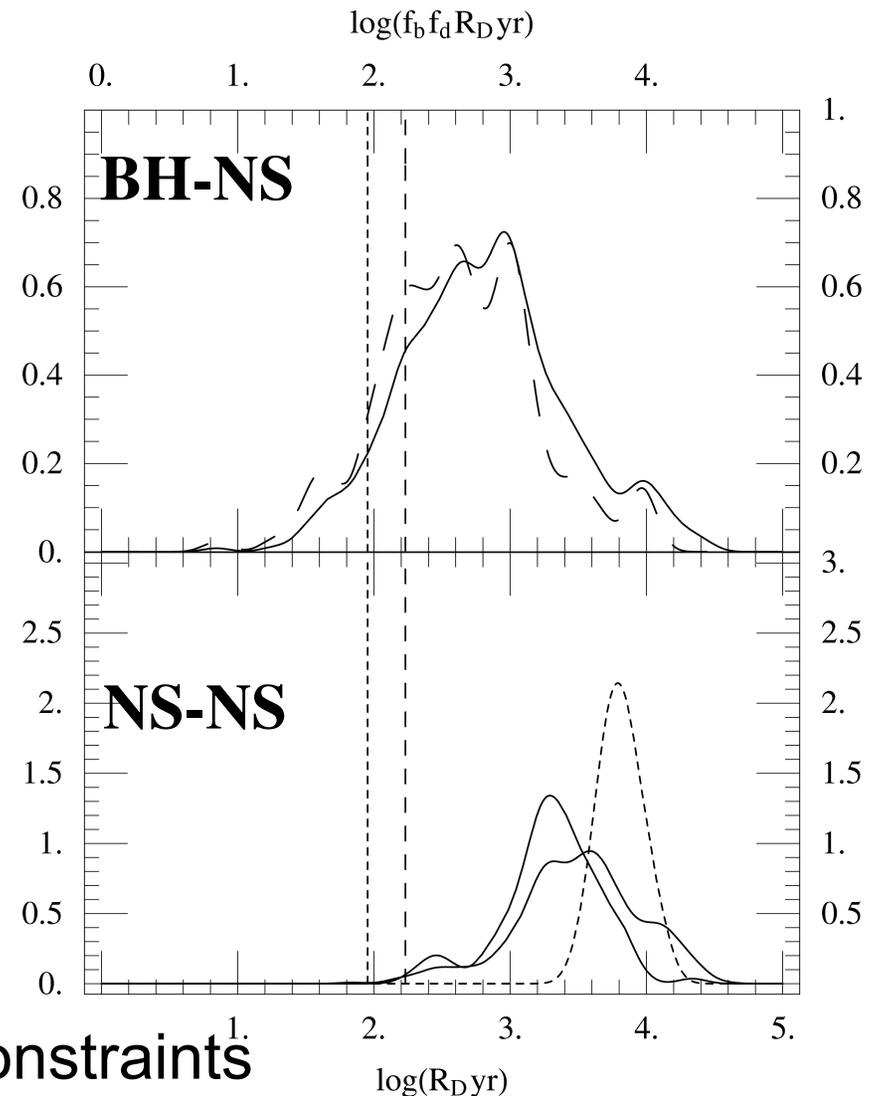
## Luminosity & beaming

### Method:

- Ratio (triggered/blind)~  
“Fraction that aren't seen”  
~ low limit of luminosity function & beaming

### Plot:

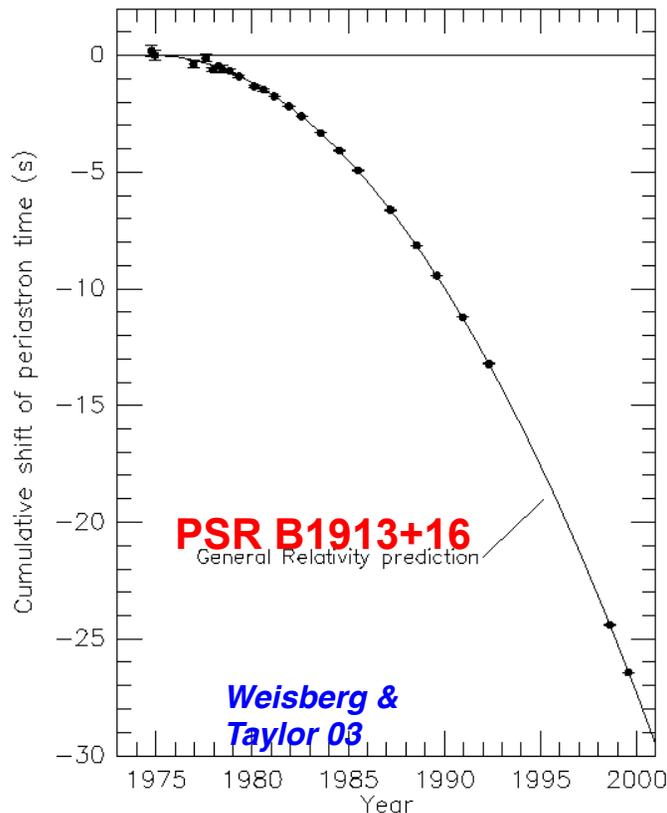
- Expected all-sky sGRB detection rates  
If none fainter & no beaming
- Ratio between dotted line,  
model =>  
Reduction factor:  
beaming + luminosity



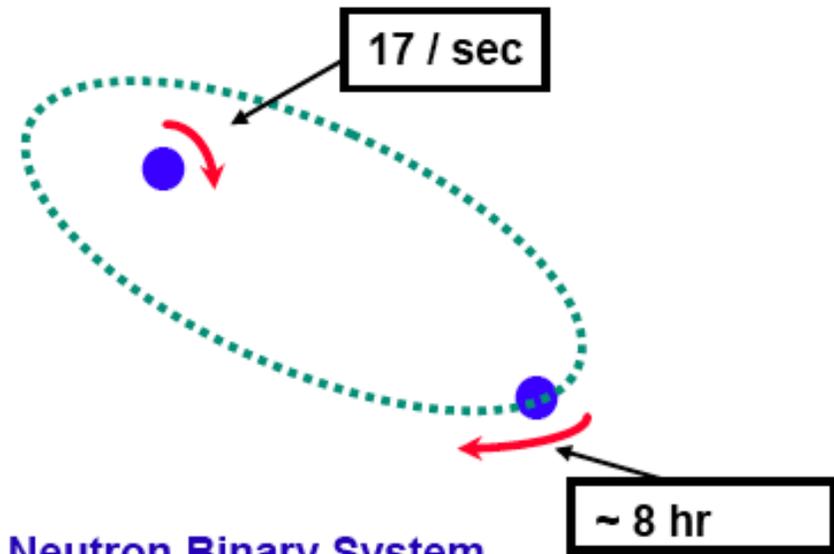
...application of GW+GRB rate constraints  
degenerate w/ beaming, luminosity

# Event rates: Empirically

- Hulse-Taylor binary: (Nobel Prize, 1993)



**PSR 1913 + 16 -- Timing of pulsars**



## Neutron Binary System

- separated by  $10^6$  miles
- $m_1 = 1.44m_\odot$ ;  $m_2 = 1.39m_\odot$ ;  $\epsilon = 0.617$

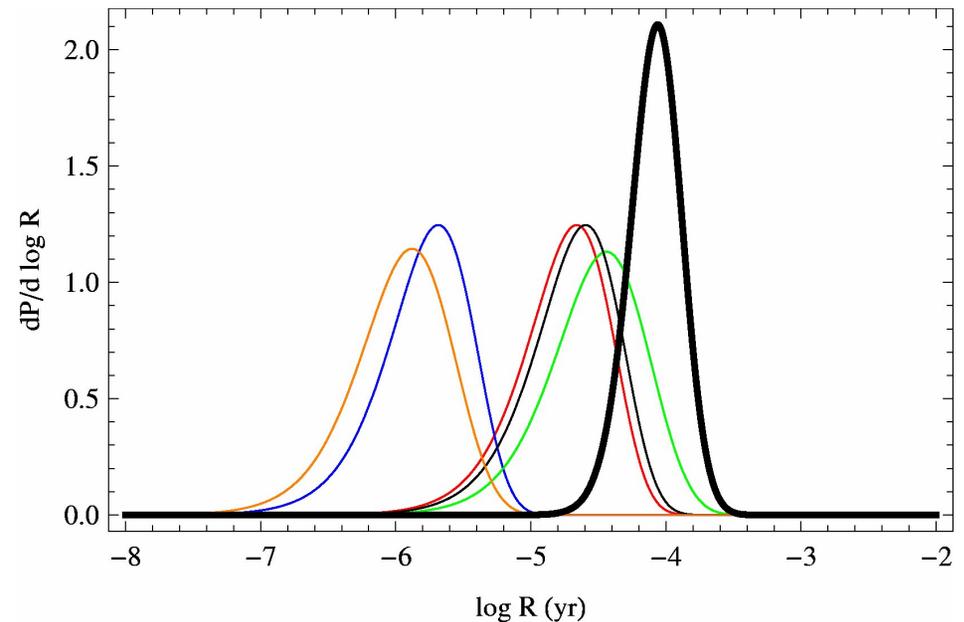
## Prediction from general relativity

- spiral in by 3 mm/orbit
- rate of change orbital period

# Event rates: Empirically

## PSR statistics

- Known selection bias
- Model for
  - Luminosity
  - MW distribution
  - Beaming
  - Lifetime...



### NS-NS merger rate in Milky Way

ROS and Kim, in prep; see also

Kim et al ApJ 584 985 (2003)

Kim et al astro-ph/0608280

Kim et al ASPC 328 261 (2005)

Kim et al ApJ 614 137 (2004)

...see Ilya Mandel's talk yesterday

# Event rates: Short GRBs

## sGRB coincident signals?

Overall: O(70-200/yr) all sky (above BATSE/Swift photon count cut cut)

Estimate: Roughly **uniform** in  $z$  : **luminosity function**  
*Horizon range limits (aligned)*

$$\begin{aligned}R_{GRB+GW} &\simeq D_{LIGO} H_o \frac{R_{GRB}}{\Delta z} \\ &\simeq 0.1 R_{GRB} \simeq O(7 - 20/\text{yr}) \\ &\simeq 0.2 R_{GRB} \simeq O(14 - 40/\text{yr})\end{aligned}$$

cf Dietz [0904.0347](#)  
Beware short-distance/  
low-L extrapolation

# HOLDING MATERIAL: PARITY VIOLATION