

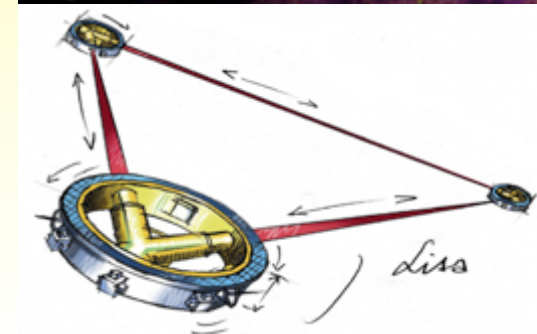
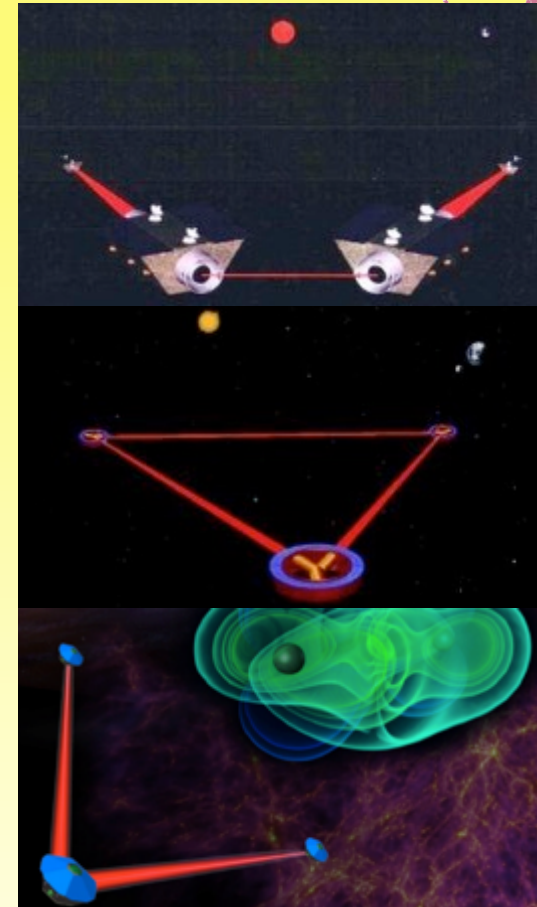
LISA:  
Opens the low-frequency  
gravitational universe!



# LISA: A Mature Concept



- M3 proposal for 4 S/C ESA/NASA collaborative mission in 1993
- LISA selected as ESA Cornerstone in 1995
- 3 S/C ESA/NASA LISA appears in 1997
- Joint ESA-NASA Mission Formulation study 2005-2011
- Reformulation 2012-13 as ESA-led eLISA (evolving LISA)
- Now back to 3-arm LISA with NASA





We had to wait a long time!  
But then came 2015/2016..

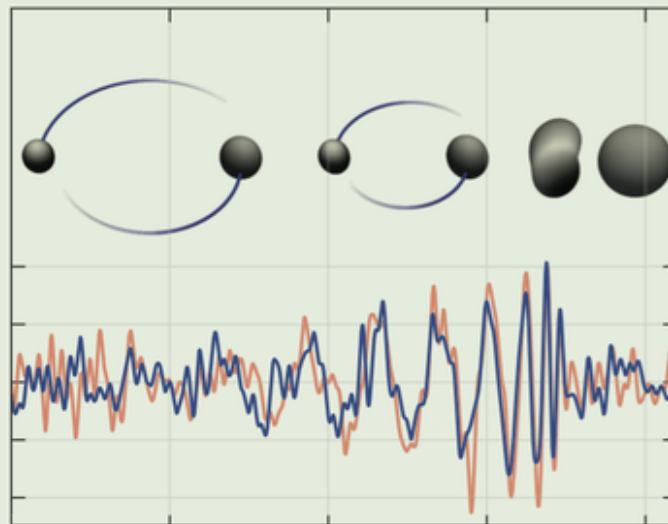
- And two things happened!



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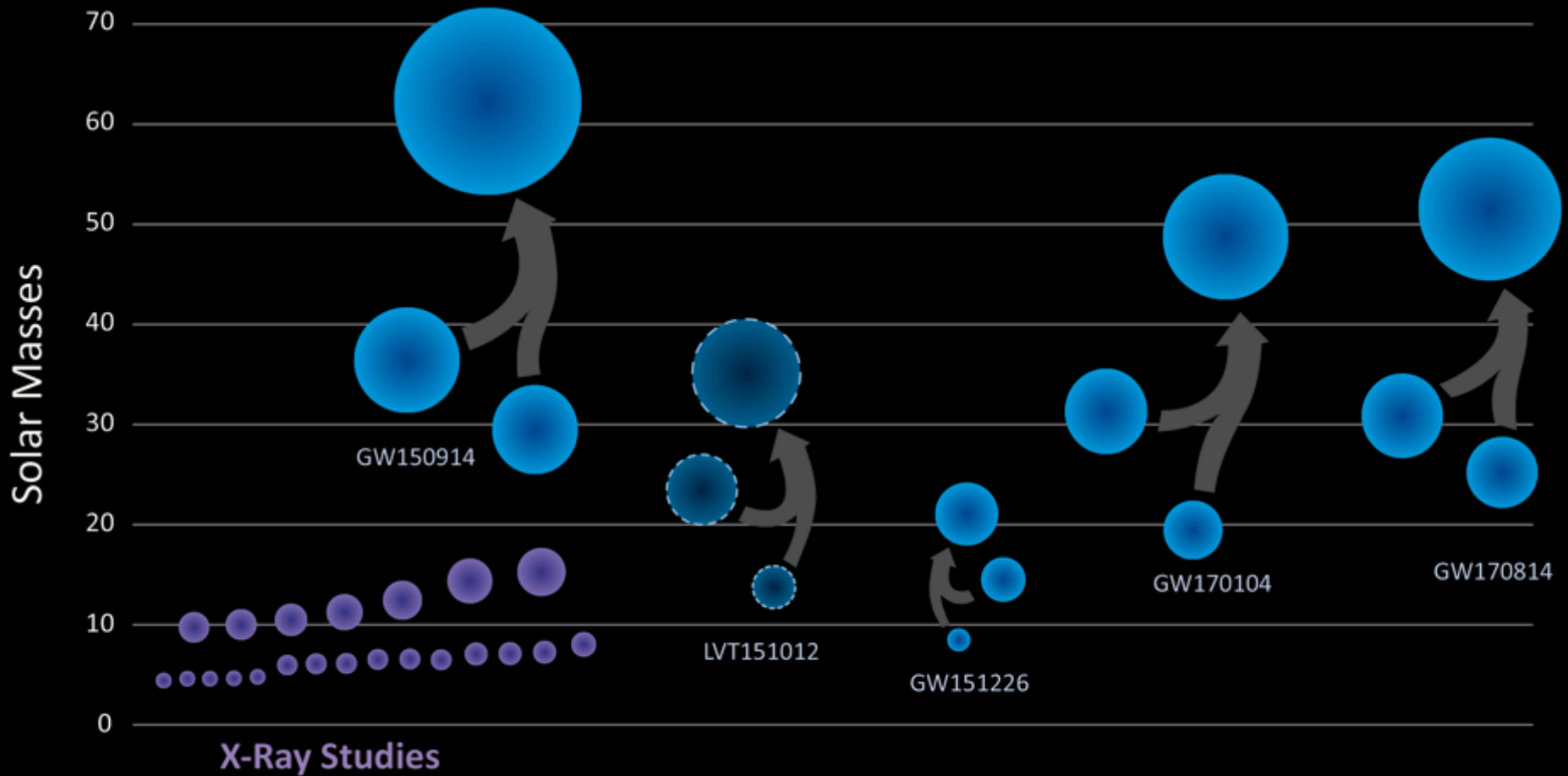


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# Black Holes every Month!



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# LISA Pathfinder

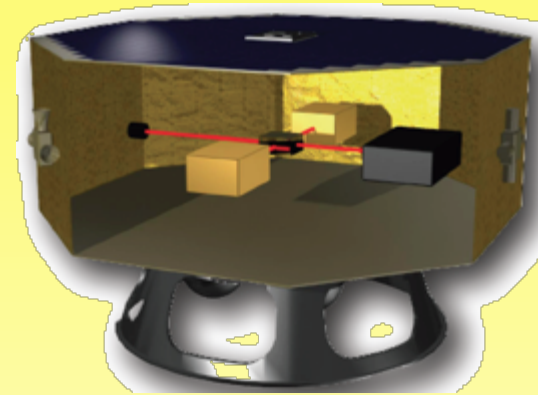


- Testing LISA technology in space!

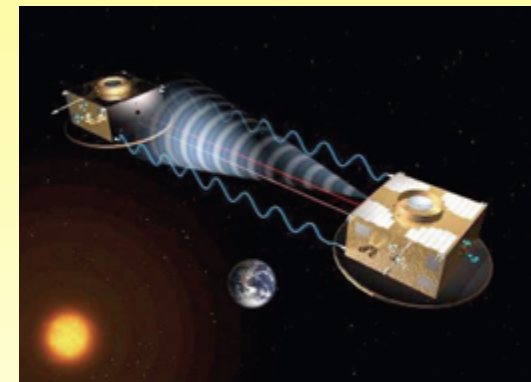
# First Proposed in 1998 as ELITE



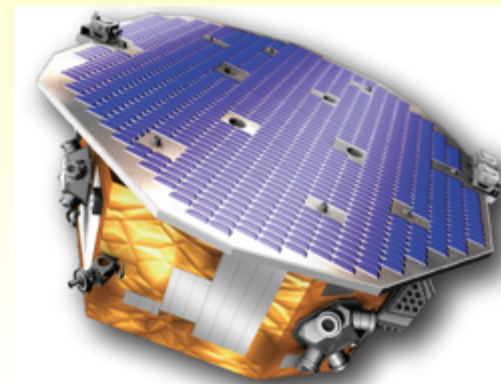
- European LISA Technology Satellite



- Renamed to SMART-2 in 2000
  - Tech demo for LISA and Darwin
  - Launch date 2006



- Descoped to LISA Pathfinder
  - Darwin demo cancelled



17 years later!  
September  
2015:  
Spacecraft is  
completed!



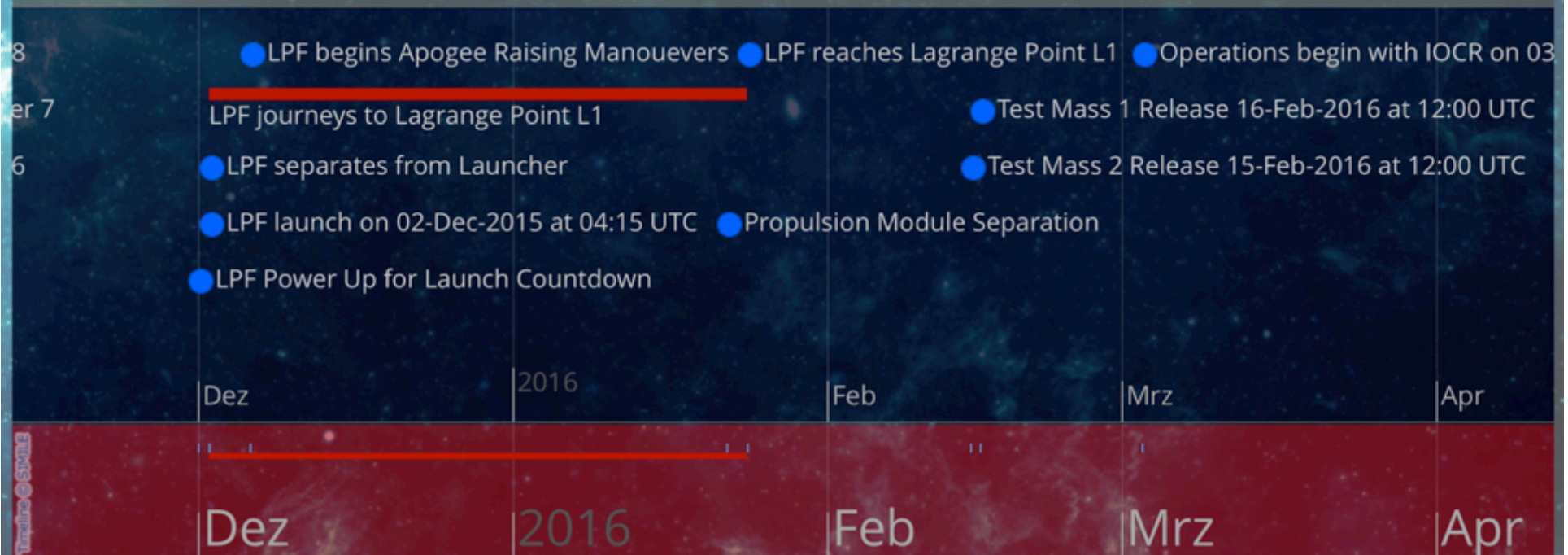
# 100 Years since GR Publication: Dec. 2, 2015



Countdown to LPF Launch

## LPF has launched!

### LISA Pathfinder Mission Timeline

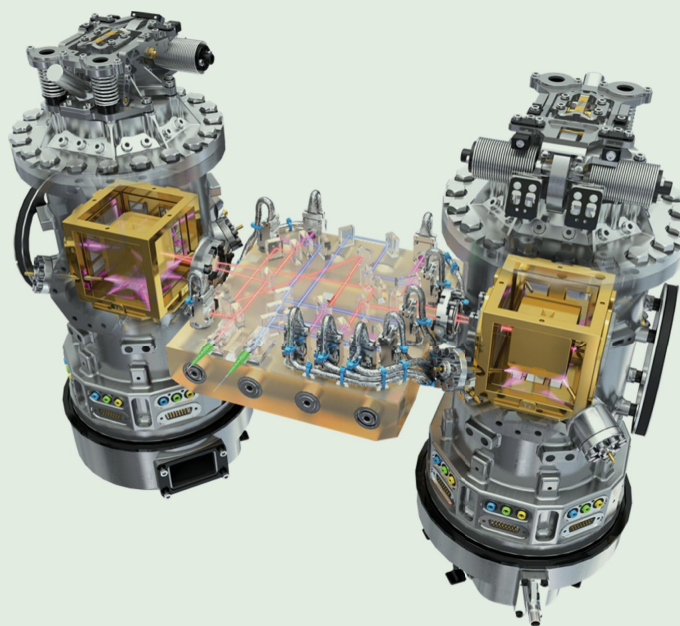




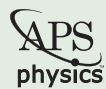
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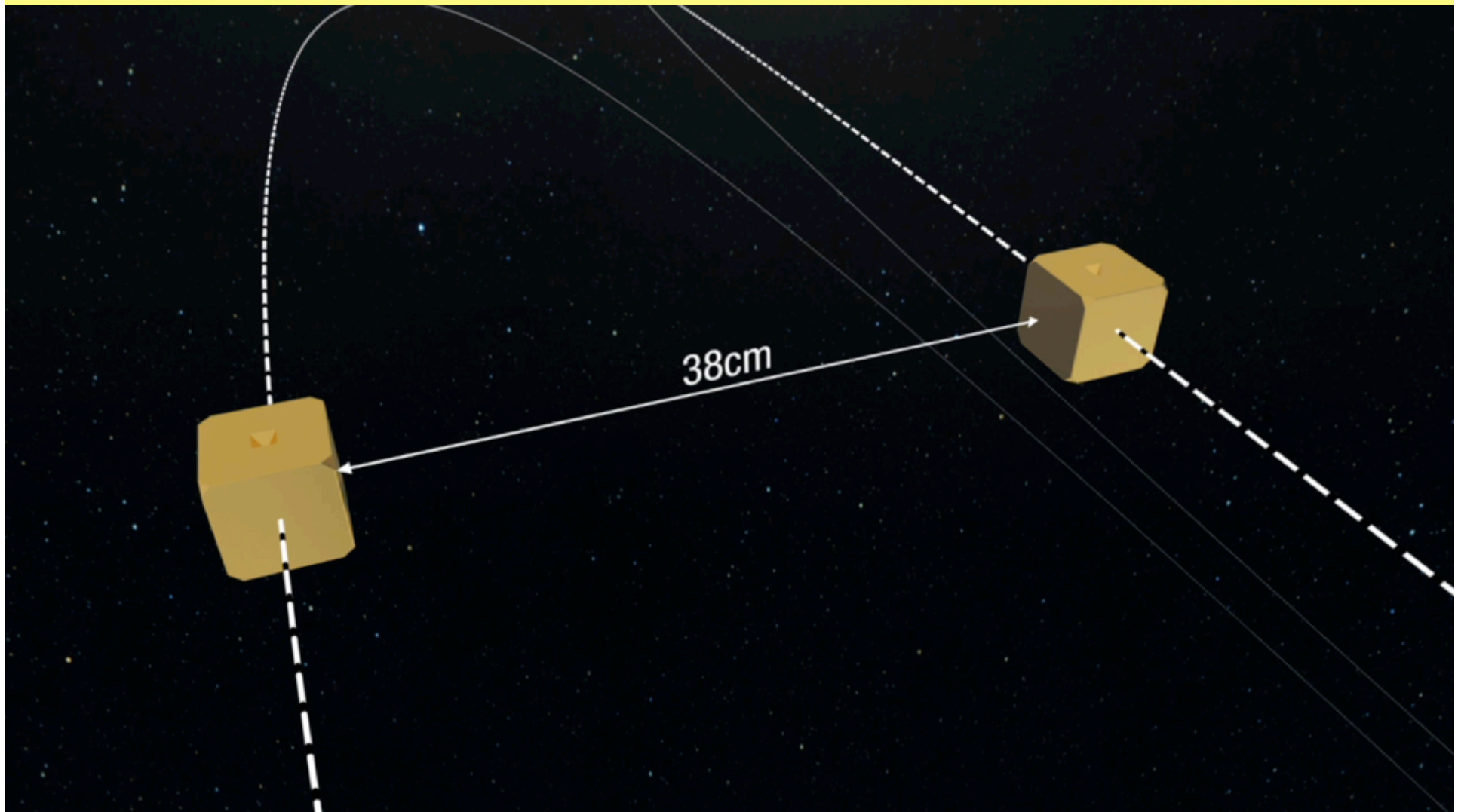


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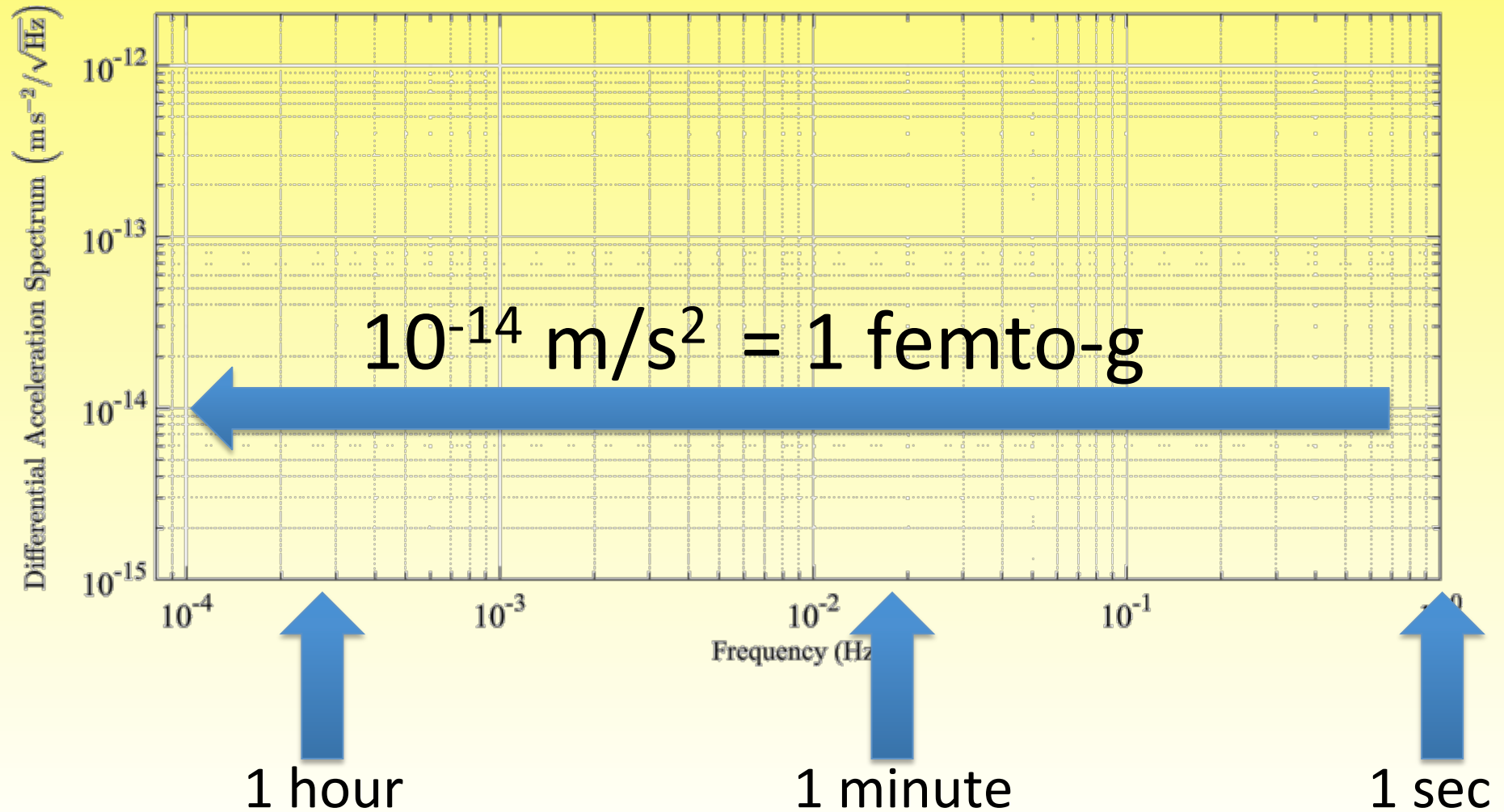
# The Stillest Place in the Universe!



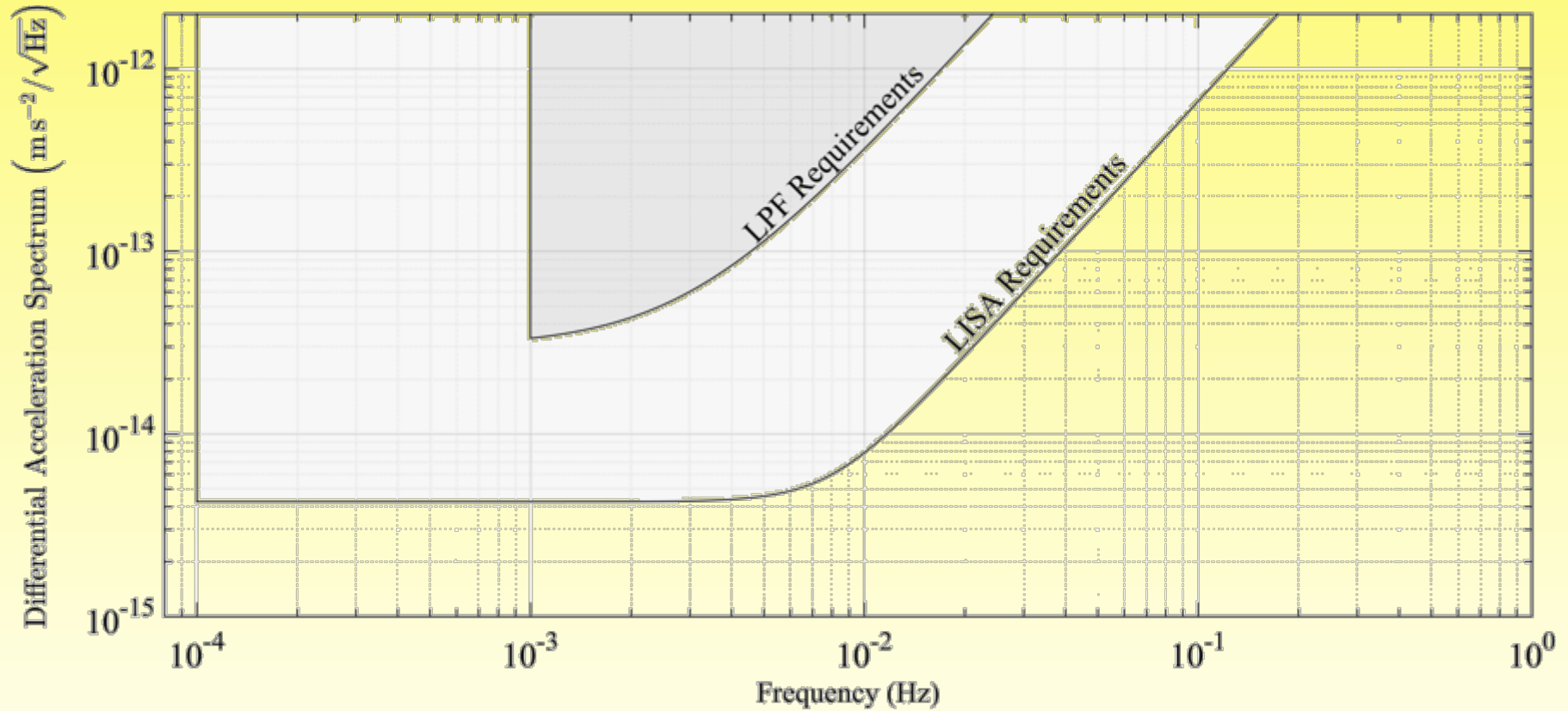
- More sensitive than the weight of a virus!



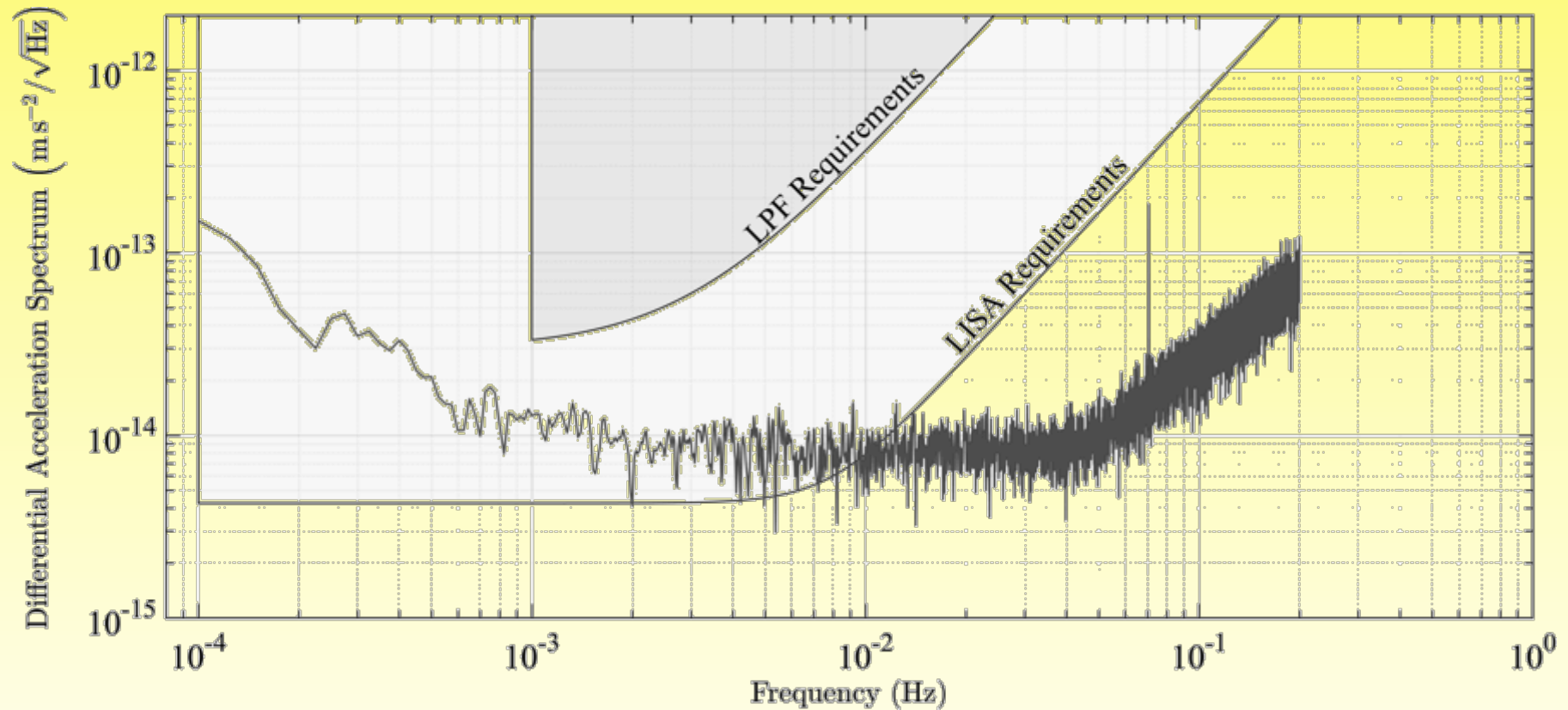
# Acceleration Spectrum



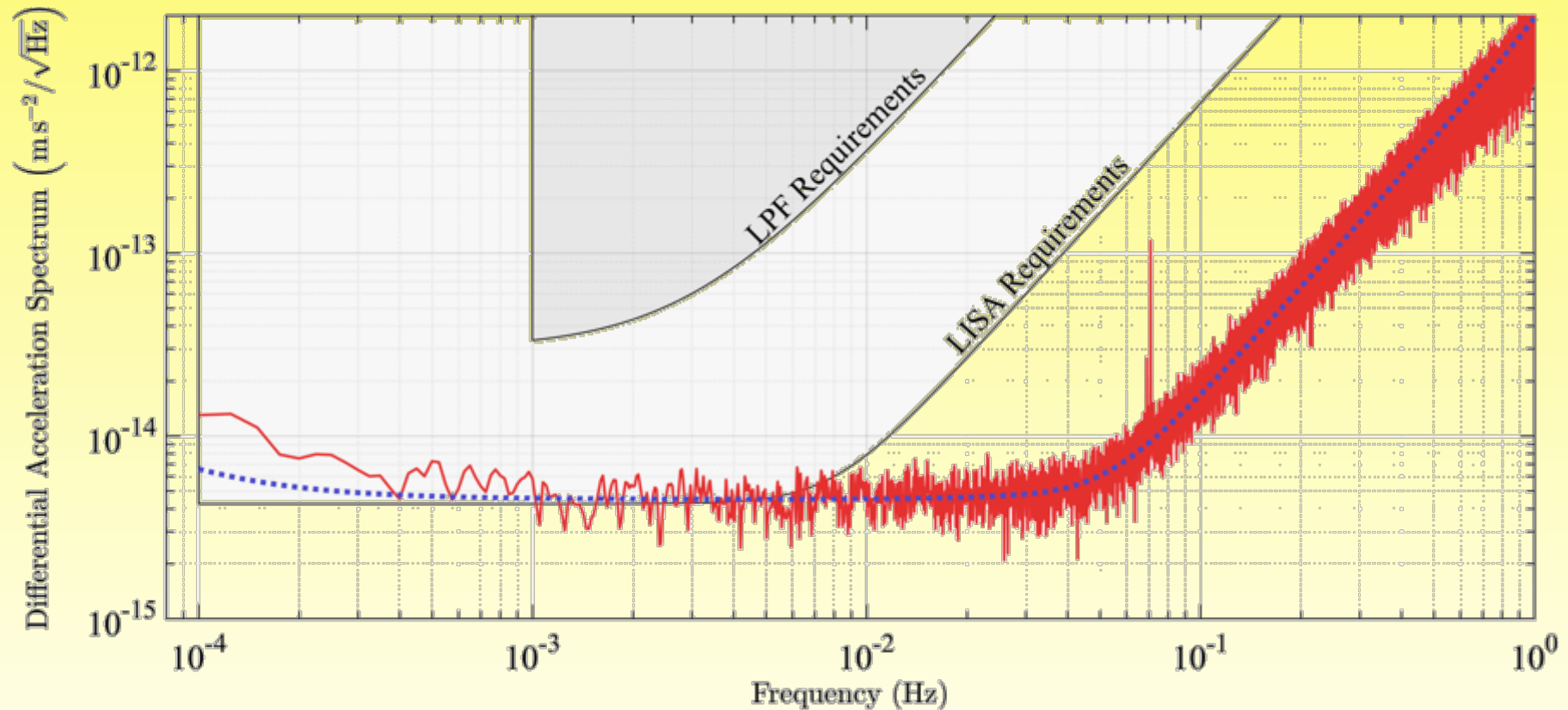
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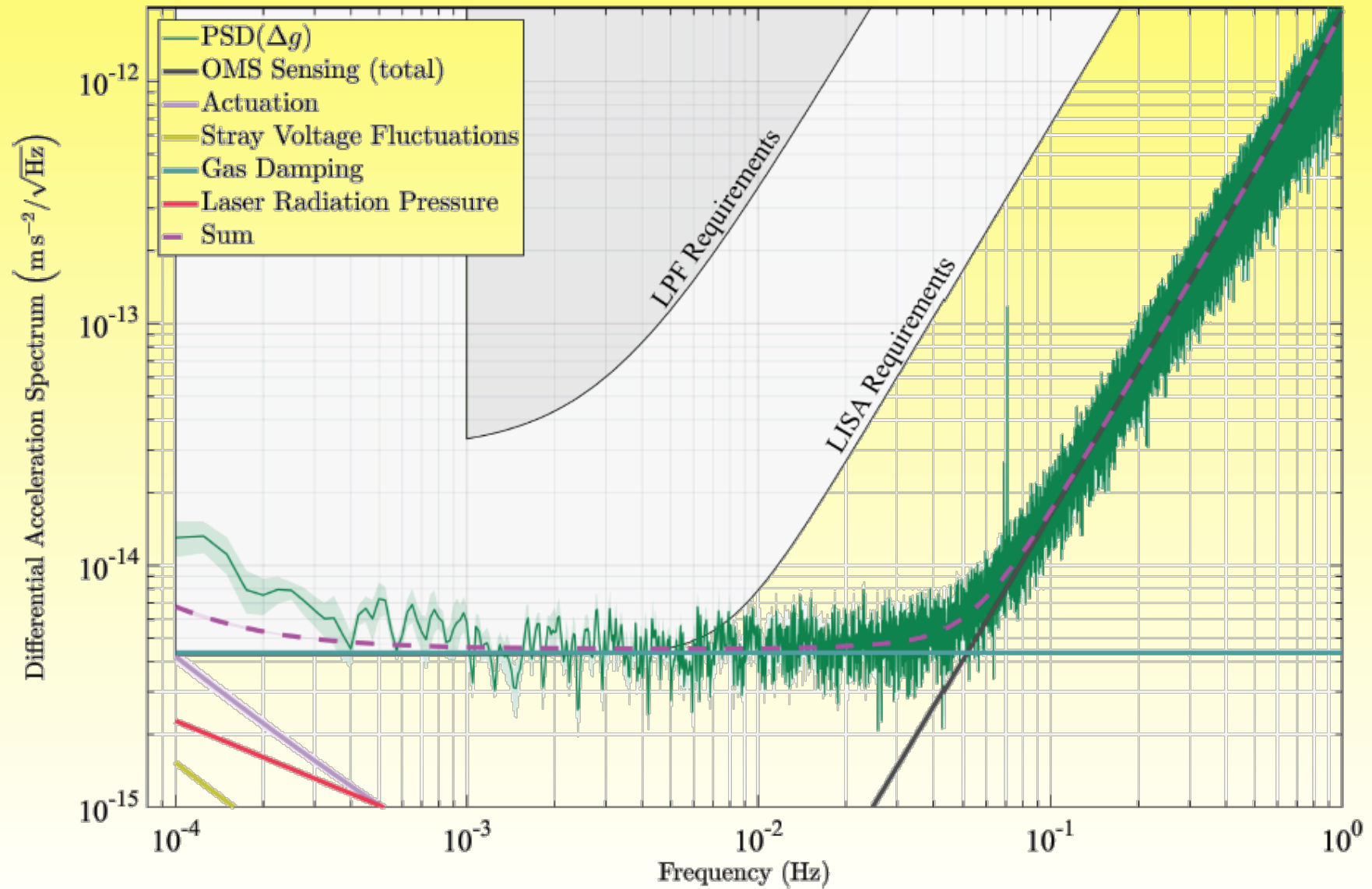
# First Day of Operations: March 1, 2016



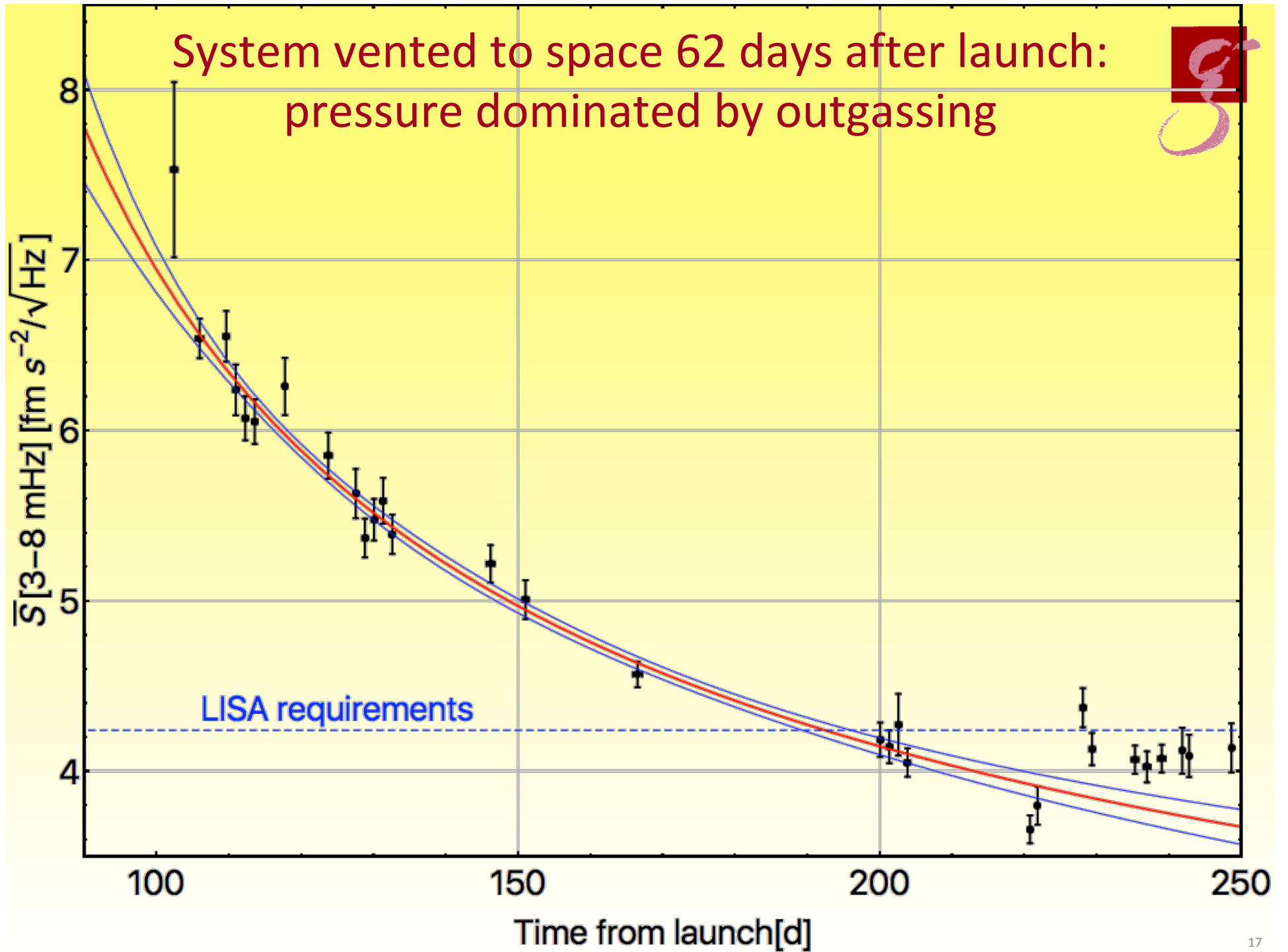
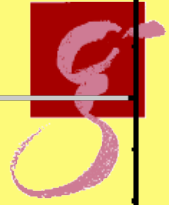
# May 16, 2016, System Optimized Investigations Ongoing



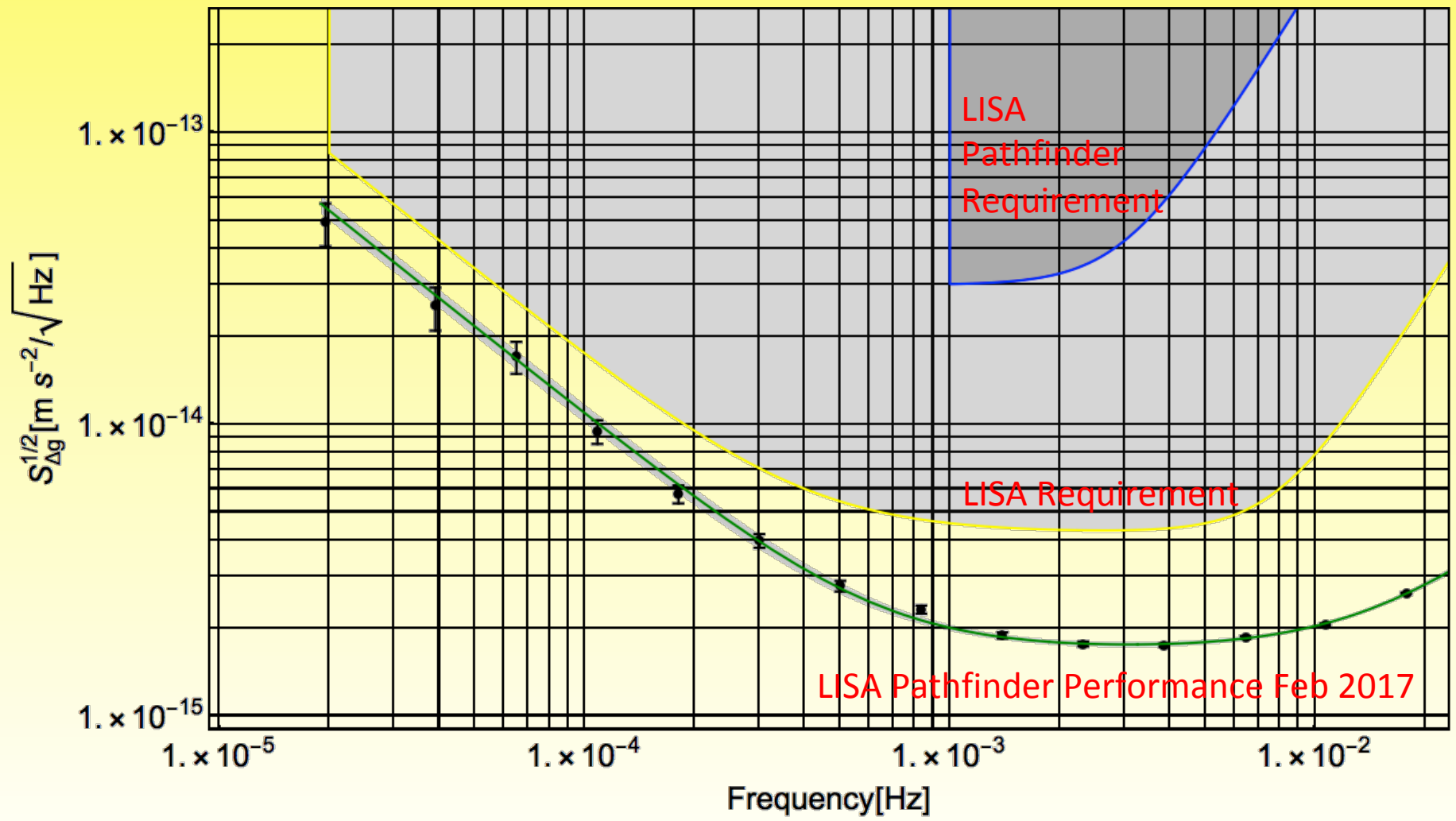
# Noise Sources



System vented to space 62 days after launch:  
pressure dominated by outgassing



# LISA Pathfinder shows: LISA Works!

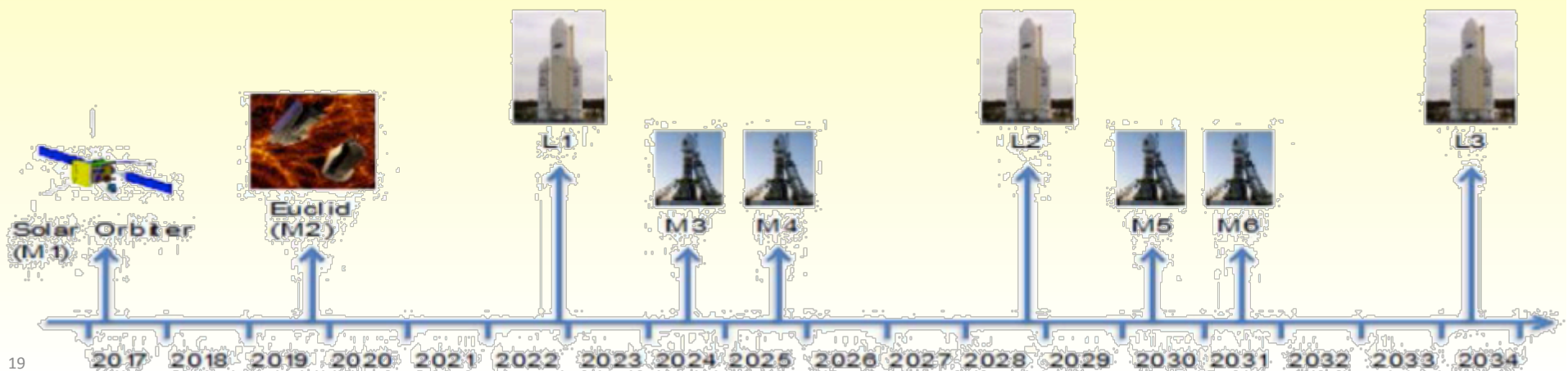


LISA Pathfinder Performance Feb 2017

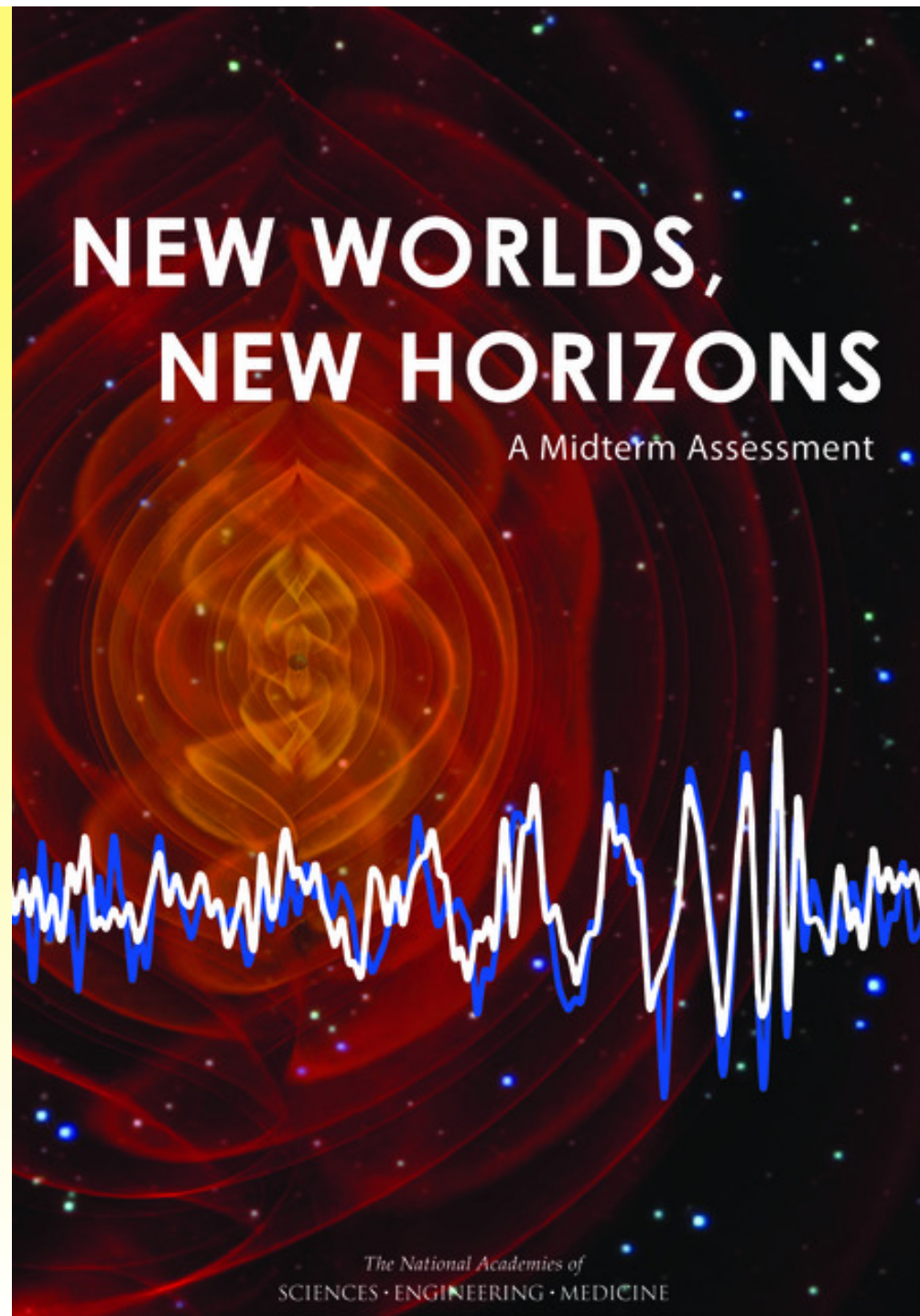
# ESA L2 and L3 Missions



- Call for Mission Concepts fall 2016



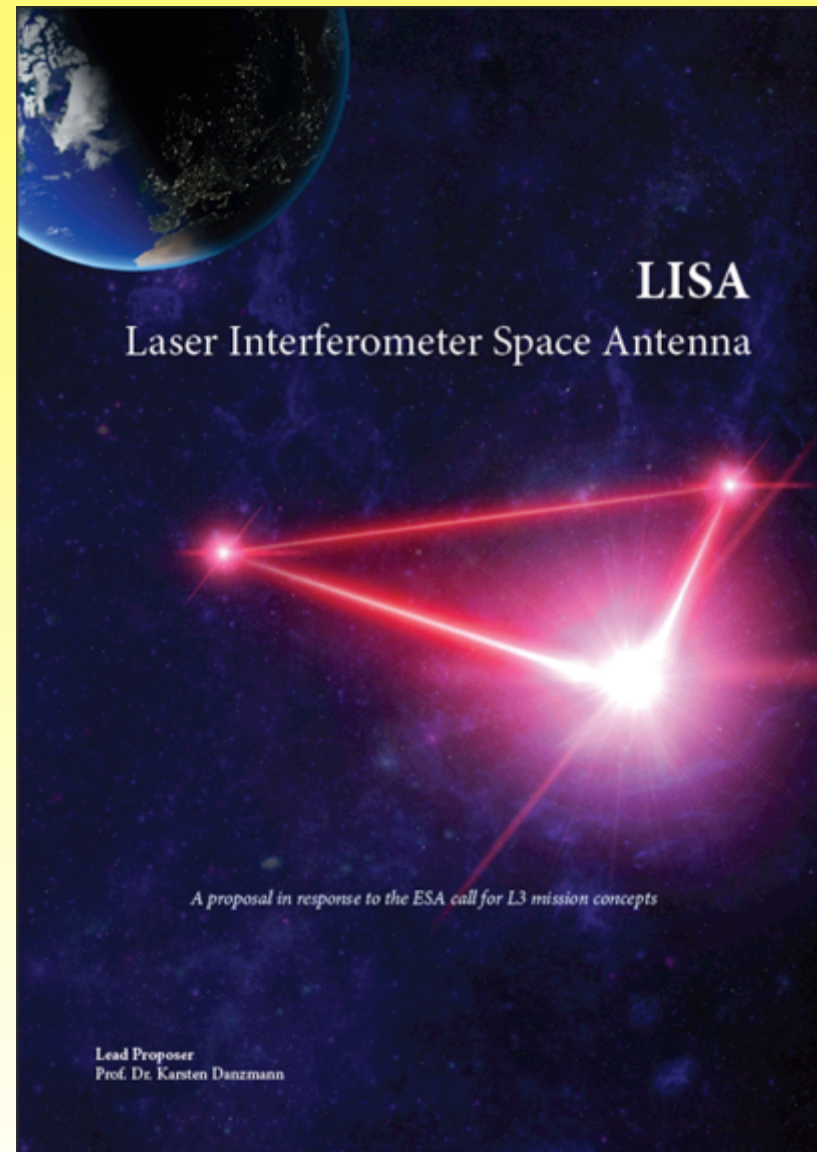
NASA is  
back in  
LISA!



# LISA Mission Concept Document



- Submitted on January 13th, 2017
- The LISA Consortium:  
12 EU Member States  
plus the US !

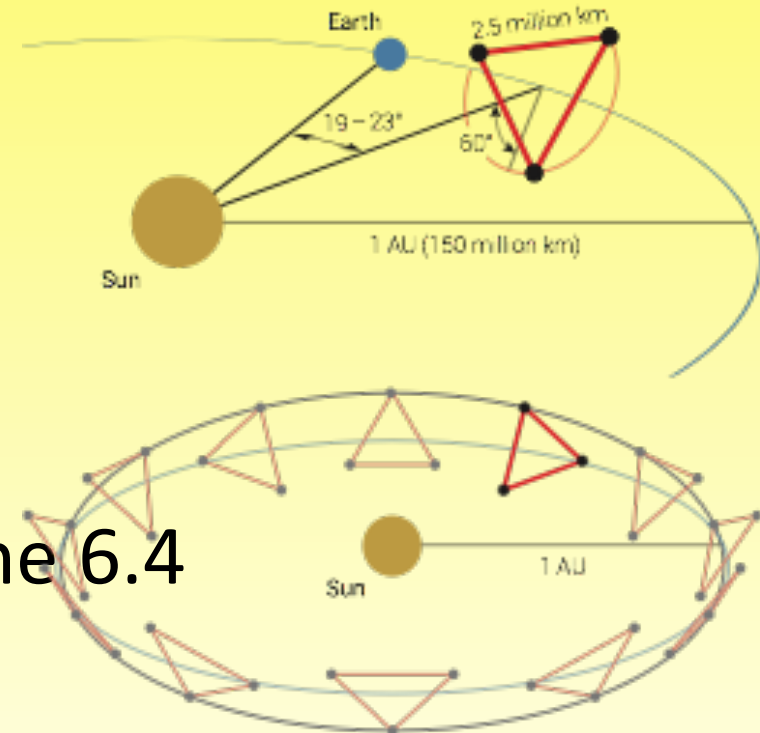


[www.elisascience.org/files/publications/LISA\\_L3\\_20170120.pdf](http://www.elisascience.org/files/publications/LISA_L3_20170120.pdf)

# Mission Profile and Orbit



- Three arms of 2.5 Million km
- 2W lasers
- 30 cm telescopes
- Breathing angles  $\pm 1$  deg
- Doppler shifts  $\pm 5$  MHz
- Launch on dedicated Ariane 6.4
  - Transfer time  $\sim 400$  days
  - Direct escape  $V_{\infty} = 260$  m/s
  - Propulsion module and S/C composite



# ESA SPC selected LISA as L3 !



cosmic vision



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## Missions

- Show All Missions

## Cosmic Vision 2015–2025

- Cosmic Vision
- Candidate Missions
- M-class Timeline
- L-class Timeline

## Cosmic Vision themes

- The Hot and Energetic Universe
- Planets and Life
- The Solar System
- Fundamental Laws
- The Universe

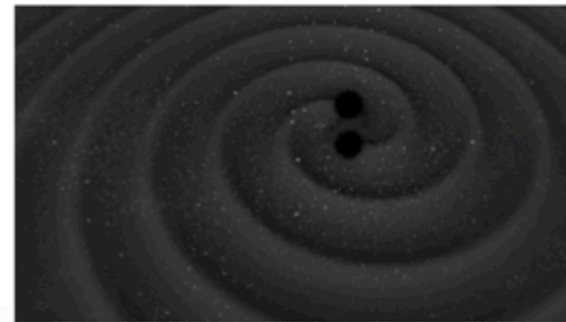
## GRAVITATIONAL WAVE MISSION SELECTED, PLANET-HUNTING MISSION MOVES FORWARD

20 June 2017

**The LISA trio of satellites to detect gravitational waves from space has been selected as the third large-class mission in ESA's Science programme, while the PLATO exoplanet hunter moves into development.**

These important milestones were decided upon during a meeting of ESA's Science Programme Committee today, and ensure the continuation of ESA's [Cosmic Vision](#) plan through the next two decades.

The '[gravitational universe](#)' was identified in 2013 as the theme for the third large-class mission, L3, searching for ripples in the fabric of spacetime created by celestial objects with very strong gravity,



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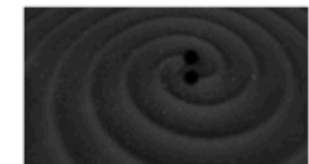


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## Images And Videos



- Merging black holes
- Searching for exoplanetary systems

# Start of Phase 0: CDF Study



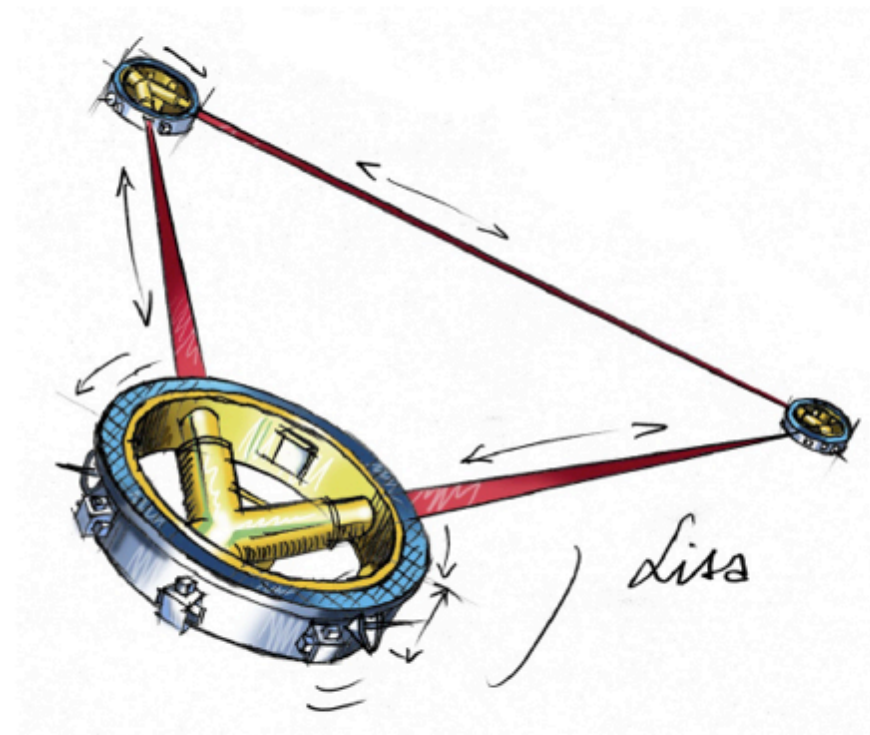
## LISA Study Introduction

**Systems**

**Session 1**  
**ESTEC, 08-03-2017**

Prepared by the CDF\* Team

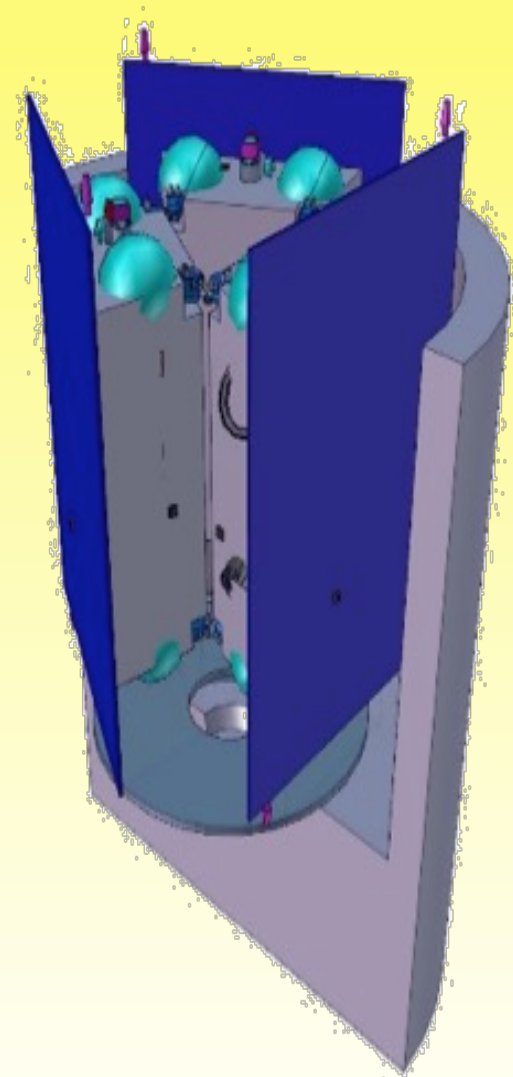
(\* ) ESTEC Concurrent Design Facility



# LISA Phase 0 System Study

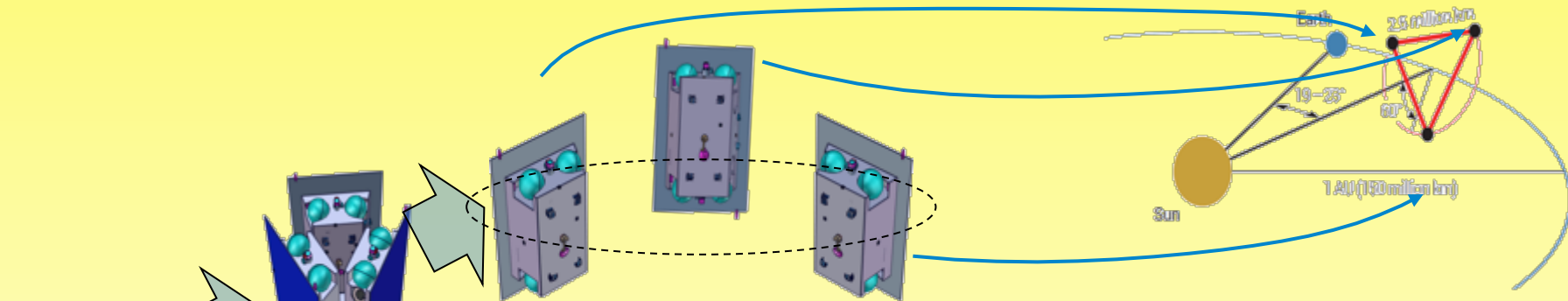


- Feasible technical baseline for LISA
- Dedicated launch with Ariane 6.4
  - Transfer 15 mo + commissioning 9 mo
  - 4 yrs of science operations, extended mission to 10 yrs
- Electric propulsion for orbit transfer, cold gas for micropropulsion
- Payload derived from previous studies, some open trade-offs
- S/C mass 1860 kg, incl. 480 kg P/L, no jettisonable propulsion module
- Power 2.5 kW
- Healthy mass margins (> 1000 kg growth potential)



The Coffin!

# Launch and transfer



Launch in stacked configuration  
Direct injection into escape trajectory

Separation of the stack right after launch

Separate trajectory for each S/C to final orbit

# Governance



- Phase-0 Study concluded
- Kick-off for Phase-A in Spring
- Must have new governance structure for Consortium in place before Phase-A Kick-off
- Lot of background discussions and f2f meetings
- Consensus-oriented preparation
- Consensus-based planning
- Governance described in Management Plan



## Laser Interferometer Space Antenna

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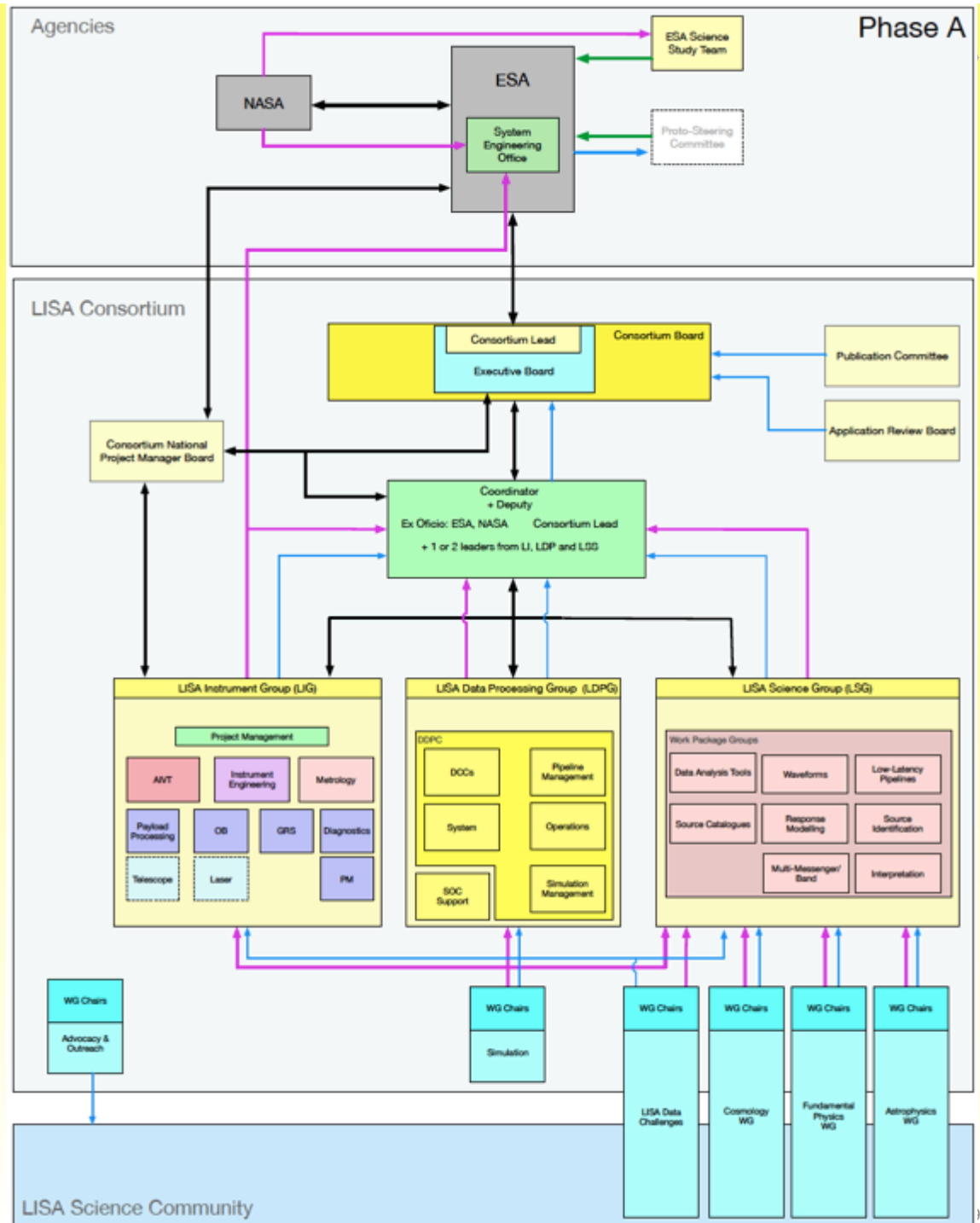
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# LISA Consortium Management Plan

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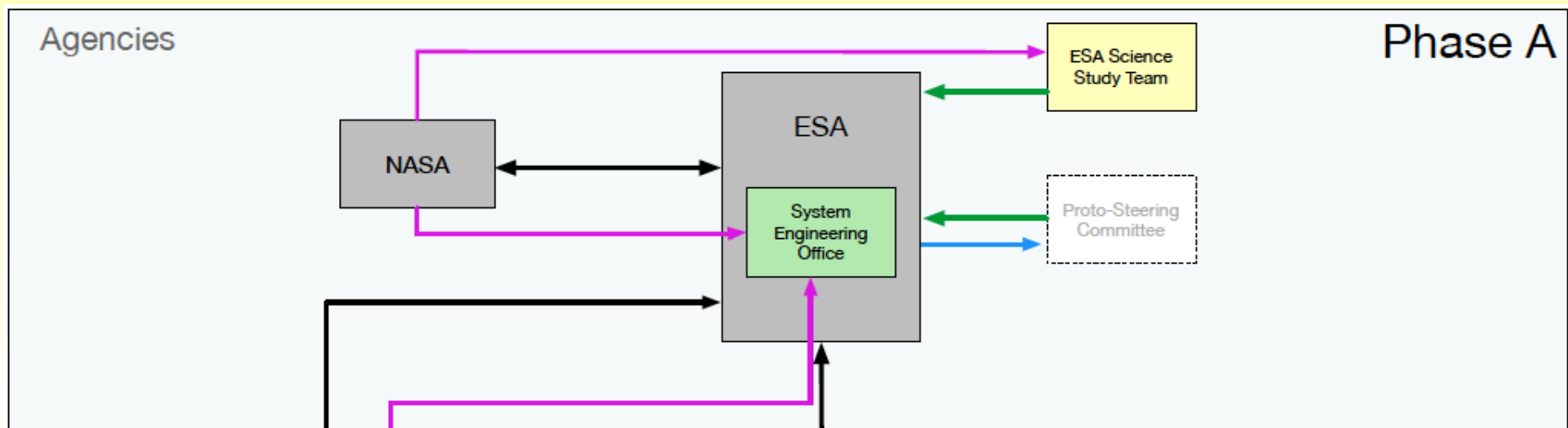
# Consortium Structure for Phase-A



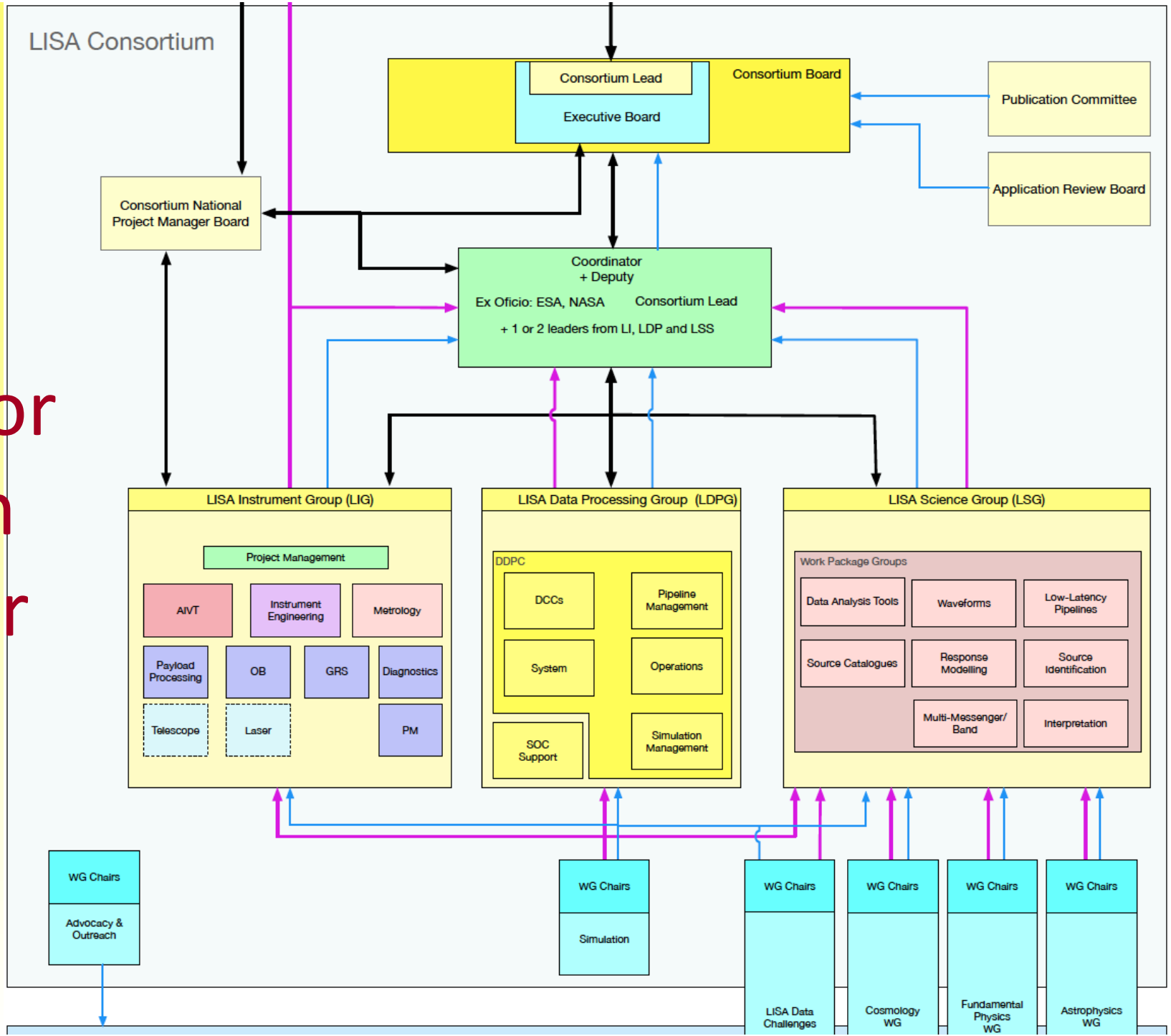
# Agency Layer



- ESA-led, NASA smaller partner, direct interaction
- ESA-appointed Science Study Team (with NASA participation) advises ESA about Science Requirements and their fulfillment
  - Partial overlap with Consortium leadership
- Strong central System Engineering office sets requirements deep down into payload
- Consortium supports central SE office, through advice and people



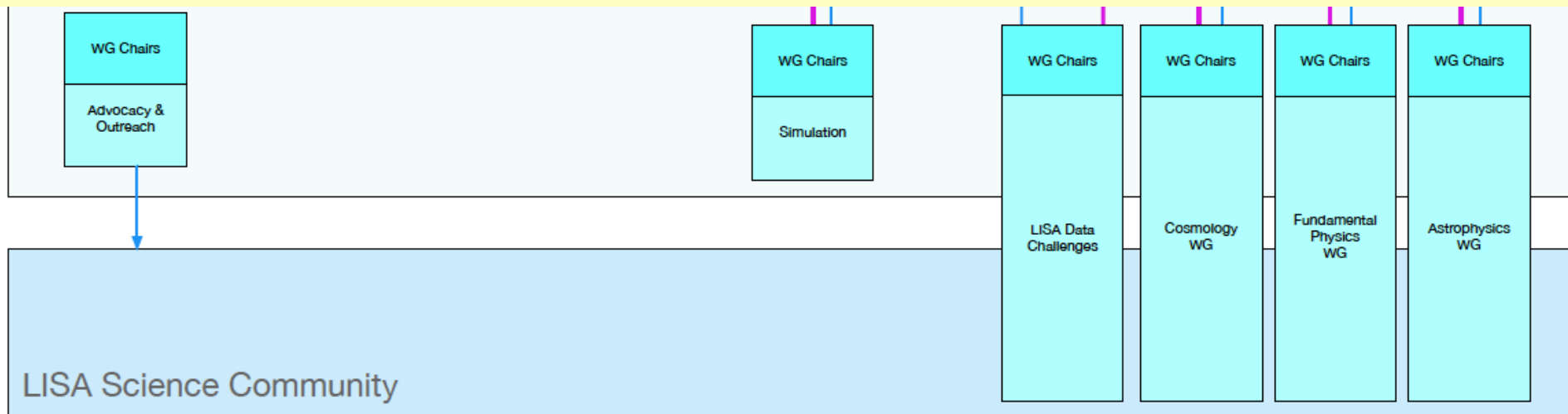
# Consortium Layer



# Community Layer



- Working Groups are entry points into Consortium
- Led by WG chairs who are Consortium members
- Some members are in Consortium
- Others in wider Community



# Consortium Membership Application



- Formal process based on commitment
- Examples:
  - contribution of flight hardware for Consortium deliverables
  - performing laboratory tests of parts of the LISA instrument
  - development of data analysis pipelines, or parts thereof
  - commitment to one or more work packages
  - performing a coordination role.
- Commitment specified in web-based MOU
- Yearly report and self-review, new MOU Draft
- Screening by Application Review Board
- Appeal to Consortium Board

# Process has Started



- Should be complete by May



**Laser Interferometer  
Space Antenna**

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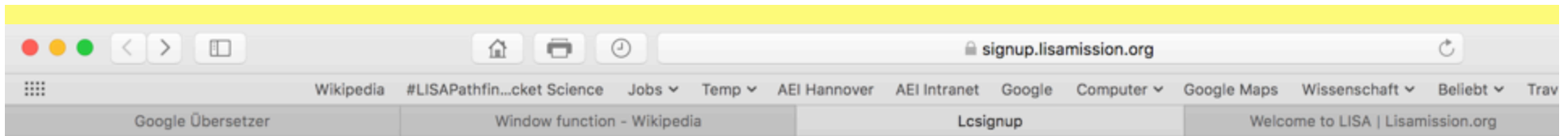
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## **LISA Consortium Application Process**

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| <b>Abstract</b> | A description of the LISA Consoritum application process. |



**lisa**

## Consortium application form

**Name**

e.g. Albert Einstein



## Affiliation

e.g. AEI Hannover

## Application type

- Group
- Associate

## Application document

File auswählen Keine Datei ausgewählt

(Spreadsheet format preferred, PDF will also be accepted.)

## Comments

(optional)



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## Comments

(optional)

I have read and agree to the rights and duties as outlined in the [Consortium application process](#)

**Send application**

## Step by step

1. Download the application template below
2. Download and read the Consortium application process document linked below
3. Fill out the application template
4. Fill out this application web-form and attach completed application document
5. Submit application and wait for confirmation E-Mail

If you run into issues or have questions with regards to your LISA consortium application please [contact us](#)

Your application will be reviewed and you will be notified of the outcome in due course.

The following documents are available for reference when indicating areas of commitment:

[Consortium Management Plan](#)

[Consortium Application Description](#)

[Data Analysis Work Packages](#)

An application template is available [here](#).

Example draft applications are available [here](#) and [here](#).

# Consortium Application Status (as of April 19, 2018)



- So far received 123 group applications
- Comprising:
  - 378 full members
  - 360 associate members
  - 747 member applications in total
- Note: old Proto-Consortium list had 345 people



## DESIGN DESCRIPTION

### LISA Payload Description Document

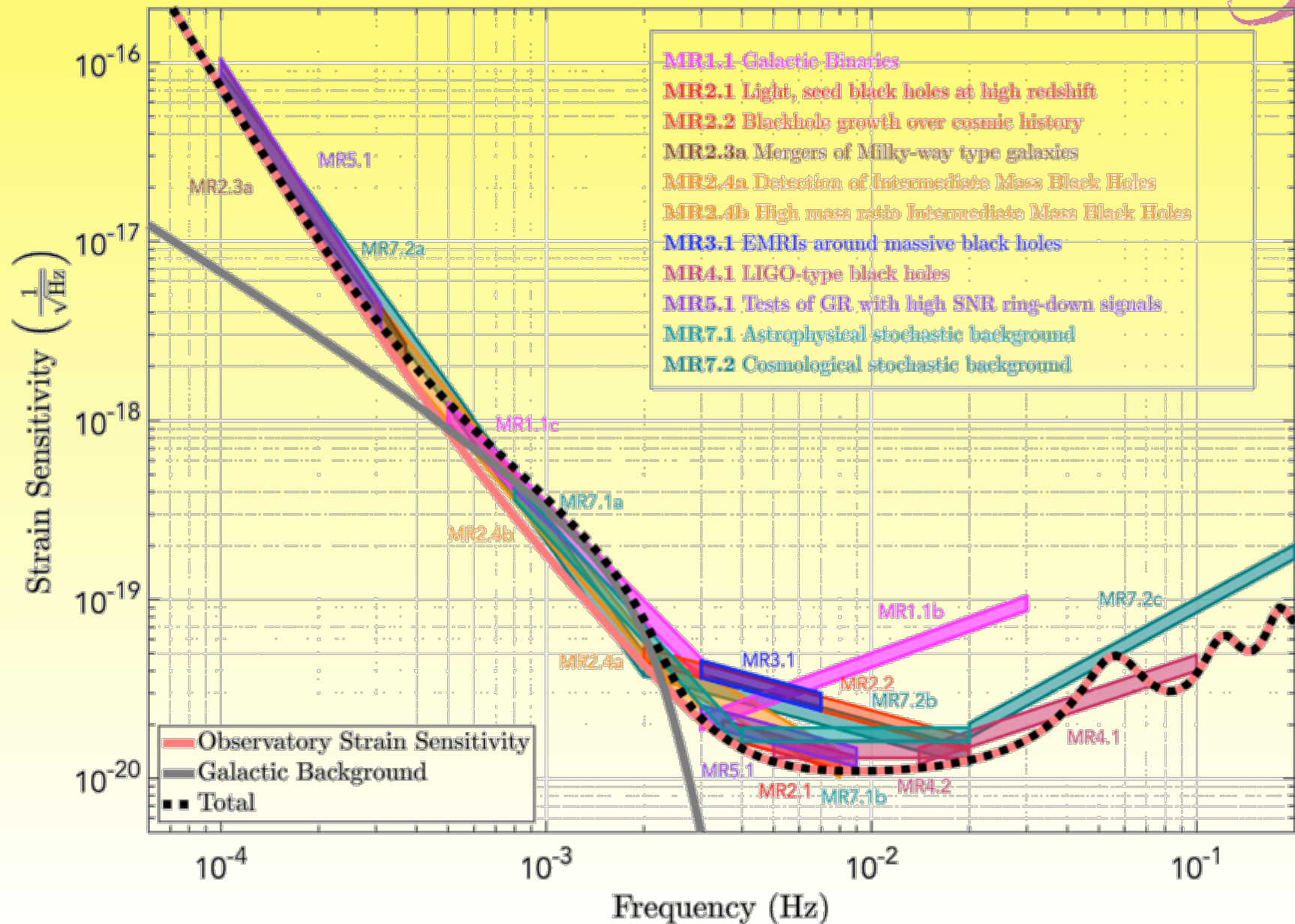
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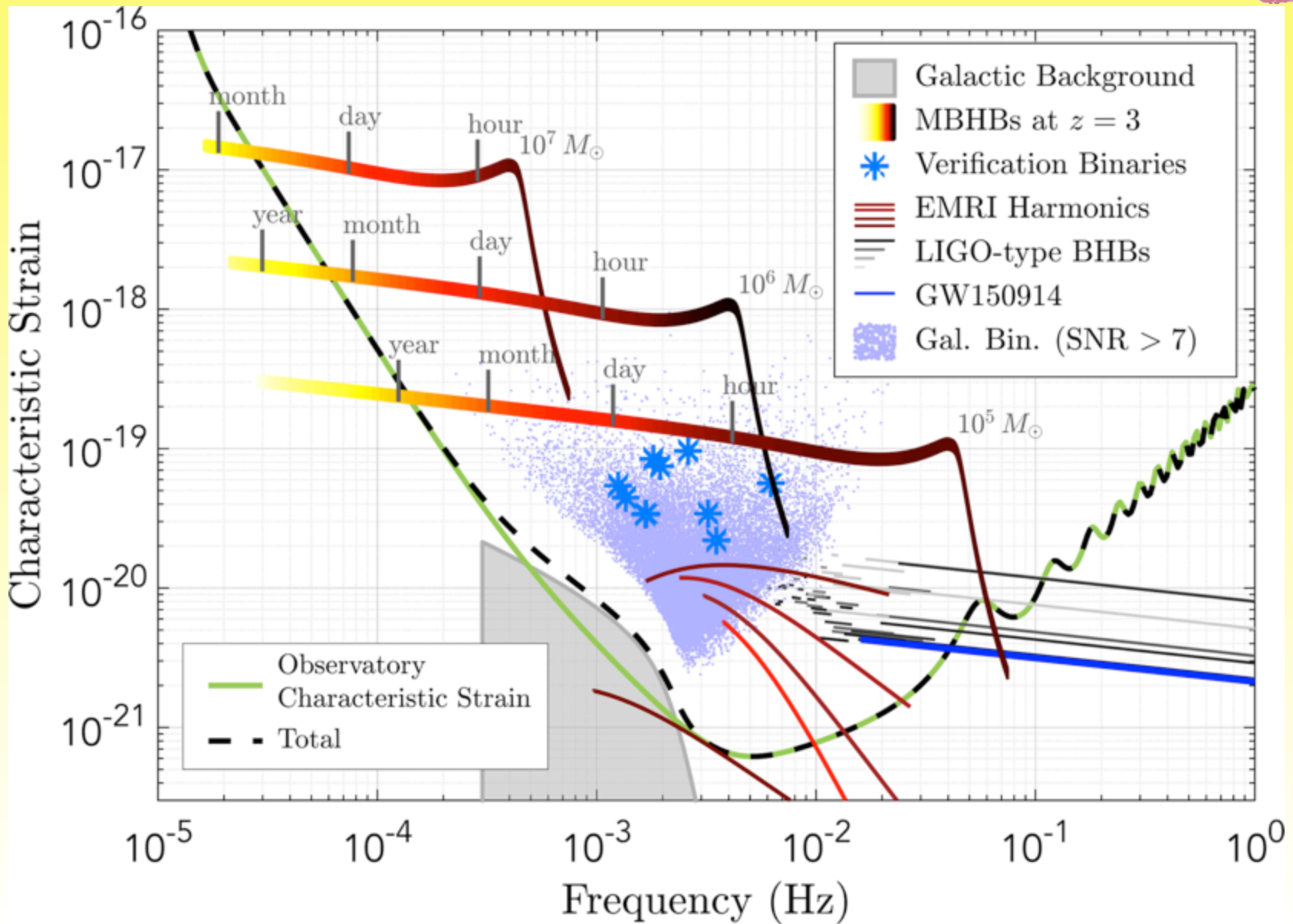
## LISA Science Requirements Document

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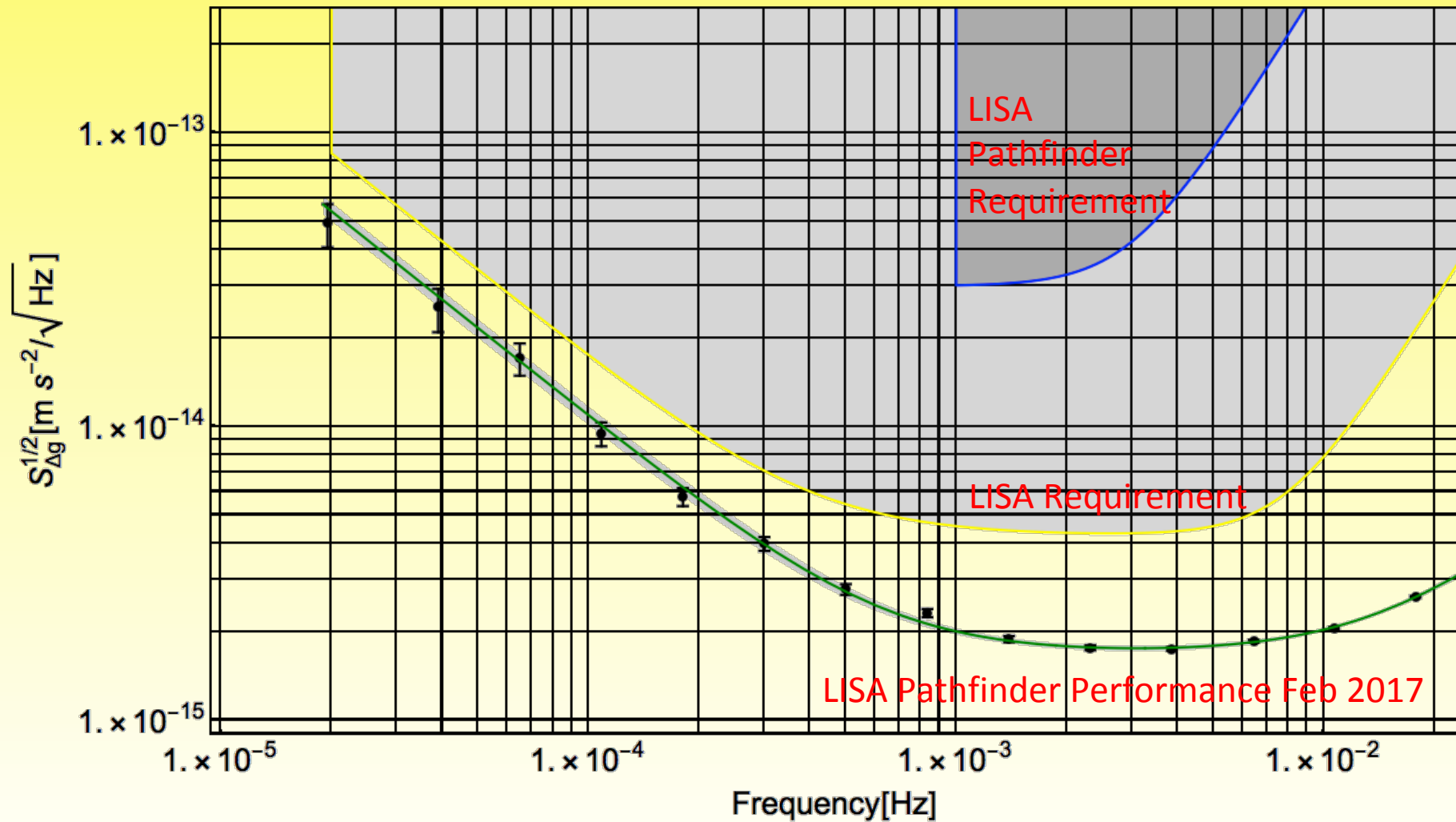
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# LISA Sources



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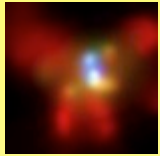


# Science by 2030



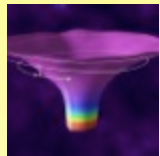
- Observatories
  - Ground
    - LHC, LSST, (EELT, TMT, GMT, OWL), SKA, ALMA, EHT
  - Space
    - JWST, EUCLID, Gaia, WFIRST, eROSITA, GRAVITY
  - Ground-based GW observatories
    - aLIGO, aVIRGO, KAGRA, ET
- Big science questions
  - Cosmic structure formation and Black Hole growth
  - Physics beyond Higgs, supersymmetry, extra dimensions, Phase transitions on TeV scale, cosmic strings, Dark Matter
  - Physics of Dark Energy, gravitation, new fields

# LISA for Astrophysics, Cosmology, and Fundamental Physics



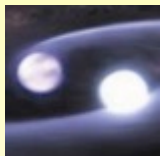
## Massive Black Holes ( $10^4$ to $10^8 M_{\odot}$ )

- When did the first Black Holes appear in pre-galactic halos and what is their mass and spin?
- How did Black Holes form, assemble and evolve from cosmic dawn to present time, due to accretion and mergers?
- What role did Black Holes play in re-ionisation, galaxy evolution and structure formation?
- What is the precise luminosity distance to loud standard siren black hole binaries?
- What is the distance – redshift relation and the evolution history of the universe?
- Does the Graviton have mass?



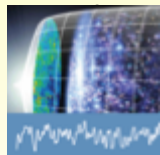
## Extreme Mass Ratio Inspirals, EMRIs ( $1$ to $10 M_{\odot}$ into $10^4$ to $5 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$ )

- How is the stellar dynamics in dense galactic nuclei?
- How does dynamical relaxation and mass segregation work in dense galactic nuclei?
- What is the occupation fraction of black holes in low-mass galaxies?
- How large are deviations from Kerr Metric, and what new physics causes them?
- Are there horizonless objects like boson stars or gravastars?
- Are alternatives to GR viable, like Chern-Simons or scalar tensor theories or braneworld scenarios?



## Ultra-Compact Binaries in Milky Way

- What is the explosion mechanism of type Ia supernovae?
- What is the formation and merger rate of compact binaries?
- What is the endpoint of stellar evolution?



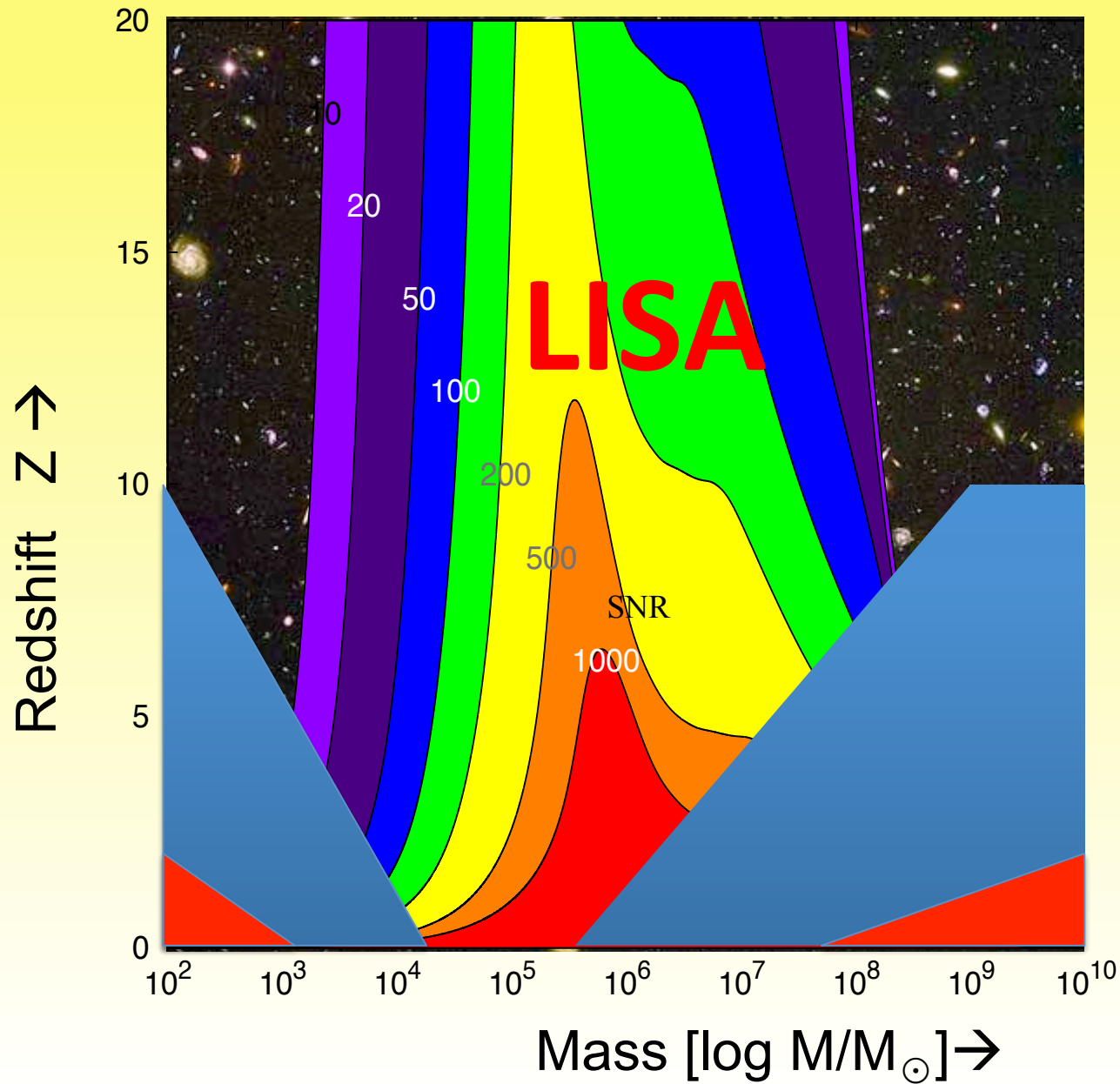
## Stochastic Signals

- Directly probe Planck scale epoch at 1 TeV to 1000 TeV before decoupling of microwave background
- Were there phase transitions and of which order?
- Probe Higgs field self coupling and potential, and search for supersymmetry.
- Are there warped sub-millimetre extra-dimensions?
- Can we see braneworld scenarios with reheating temperatures in the TeV range?
- Do topological defects like Cosmic Strings exist?

???

## The Unknown !

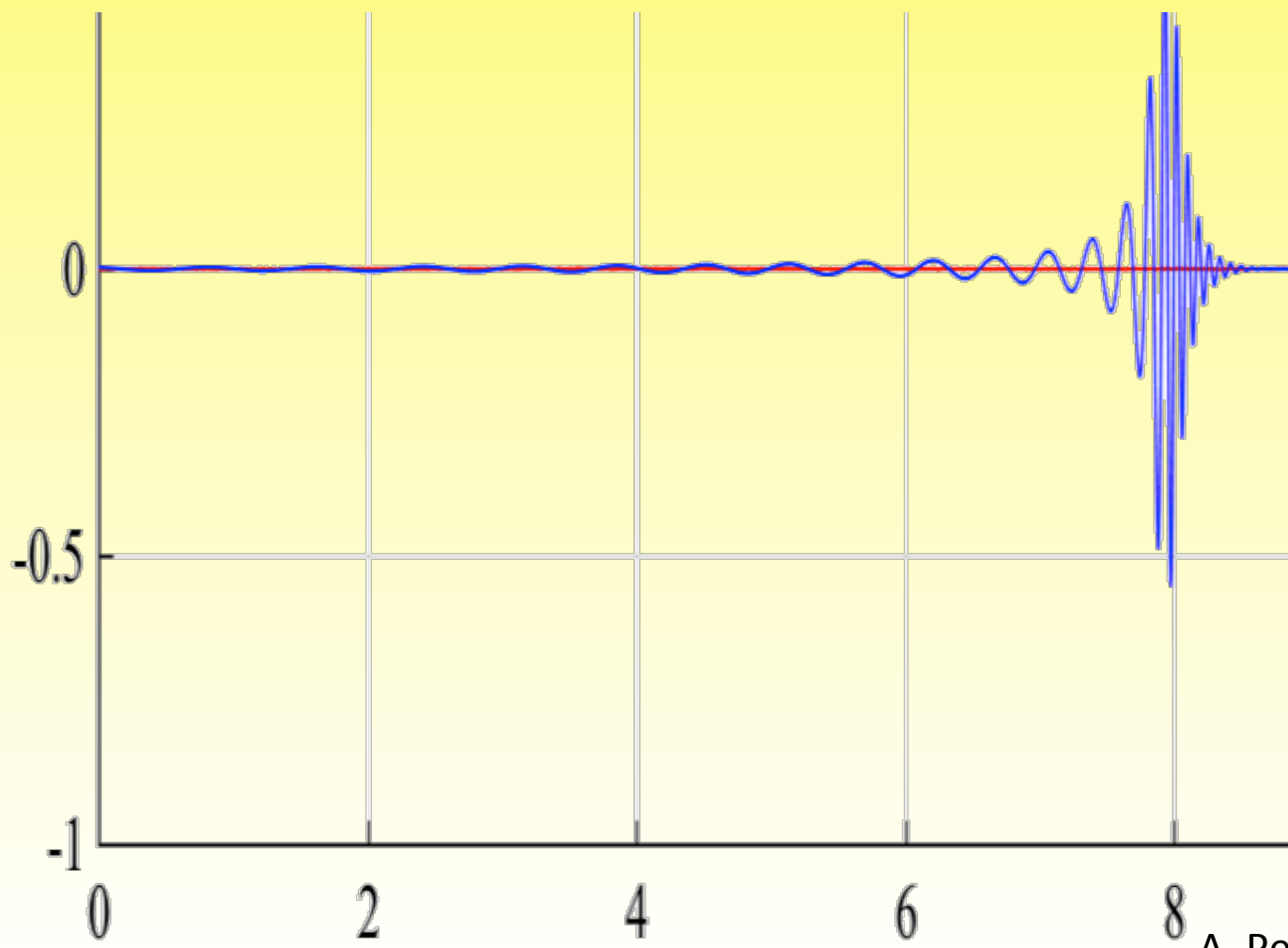
# Black Hole Astronomy by 2030



# Black Hole Mergers far above Noise



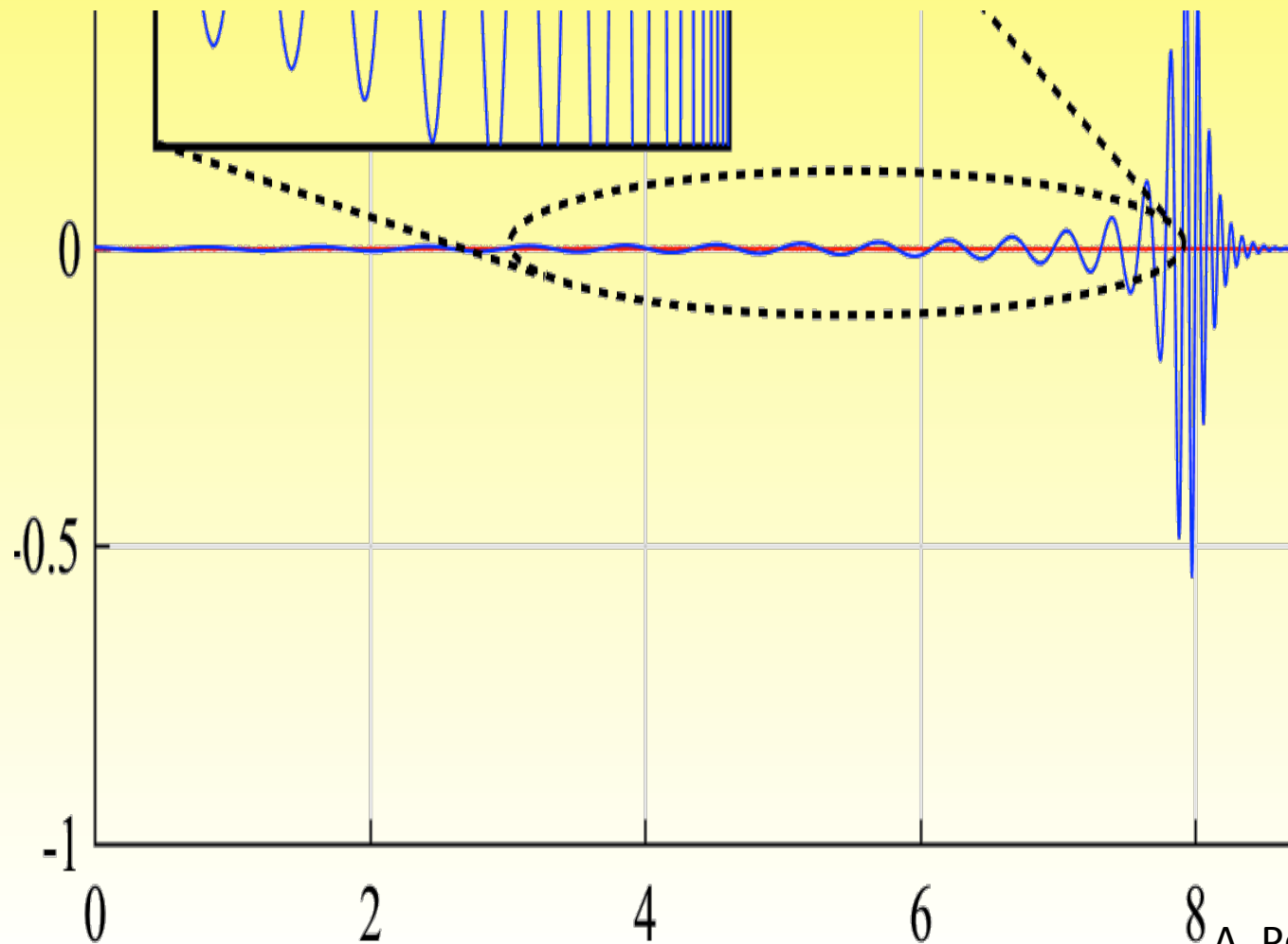
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- In Red: Pathfinder instrumental noise



# Black Hole Merger far above Noise



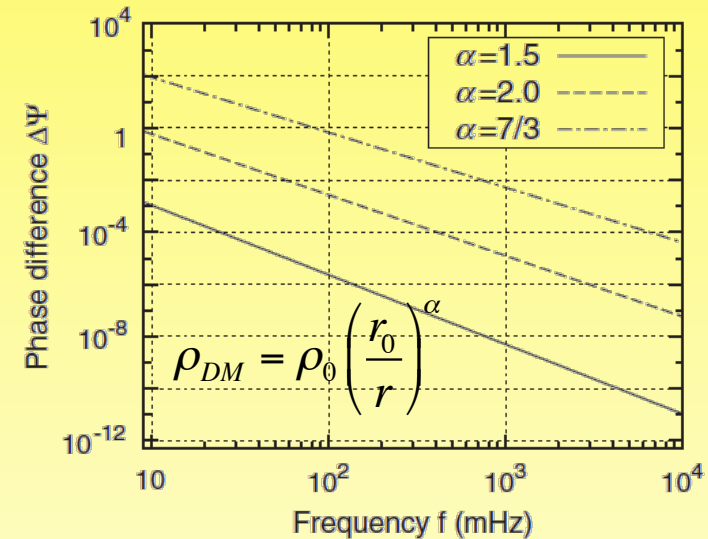
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# Dark Matter Probe



- Dark Matter spike around BH changes inspiral GW phase
- Sensitive even to Dark Matter interacting only gravitationally



PRL **110**, 221101 (2013)

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## New Probe of Dark-Matter Properties: Gravitational Waves from an Intermediate-Mass Black Hole Embedded in a Dark-Matter Minispike

Kazunari Eda,<sup>\*</sup> Yousuke Itoh, and Sachiko Kuroyanagi

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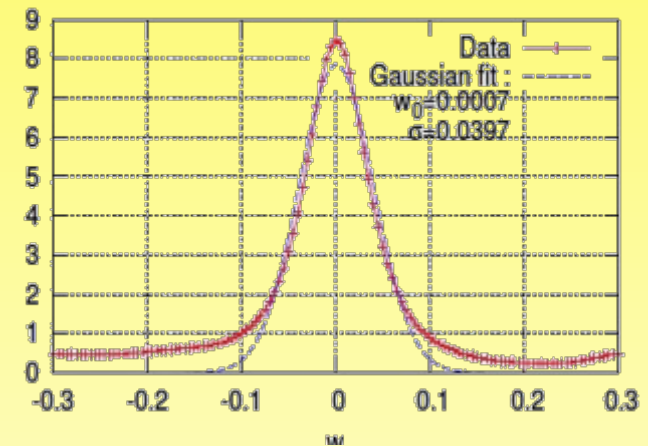
# Cosmology with Standard Sirens



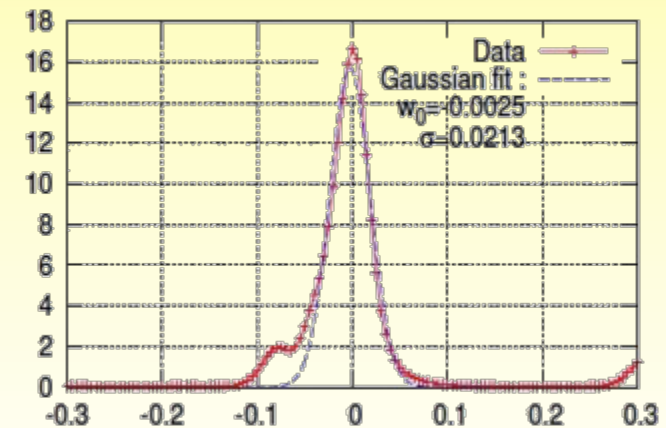
- With luminosity distances, LISA gives accurate and independent measurements of  $H_0$  and  $w$ .

- EMRIs, *without* EM counterparts:
- Hubble const.  $H_0$  to  $\pm 0.4\% = \pm 0.3 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$  after 20 EMRI detections:  $\sim 3$  months LISA (MacLeod & Hogan, PRD, 2008; SDSS)
- Compare WMAP:  $\pm 1.2 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ .
- MBH mergers out to  $z = 3$ , *no* EM counterparts:
- Dark energy equation of state parameter  $w$  to  $\pm 2\text{-}4\%$  in 3 years (Petiteau et al, ApJ, 2011; Millennium).
- Compare EUCLID:  $\pm 2\%$ .

No identifications  
(b) without electromagnetic counterpart

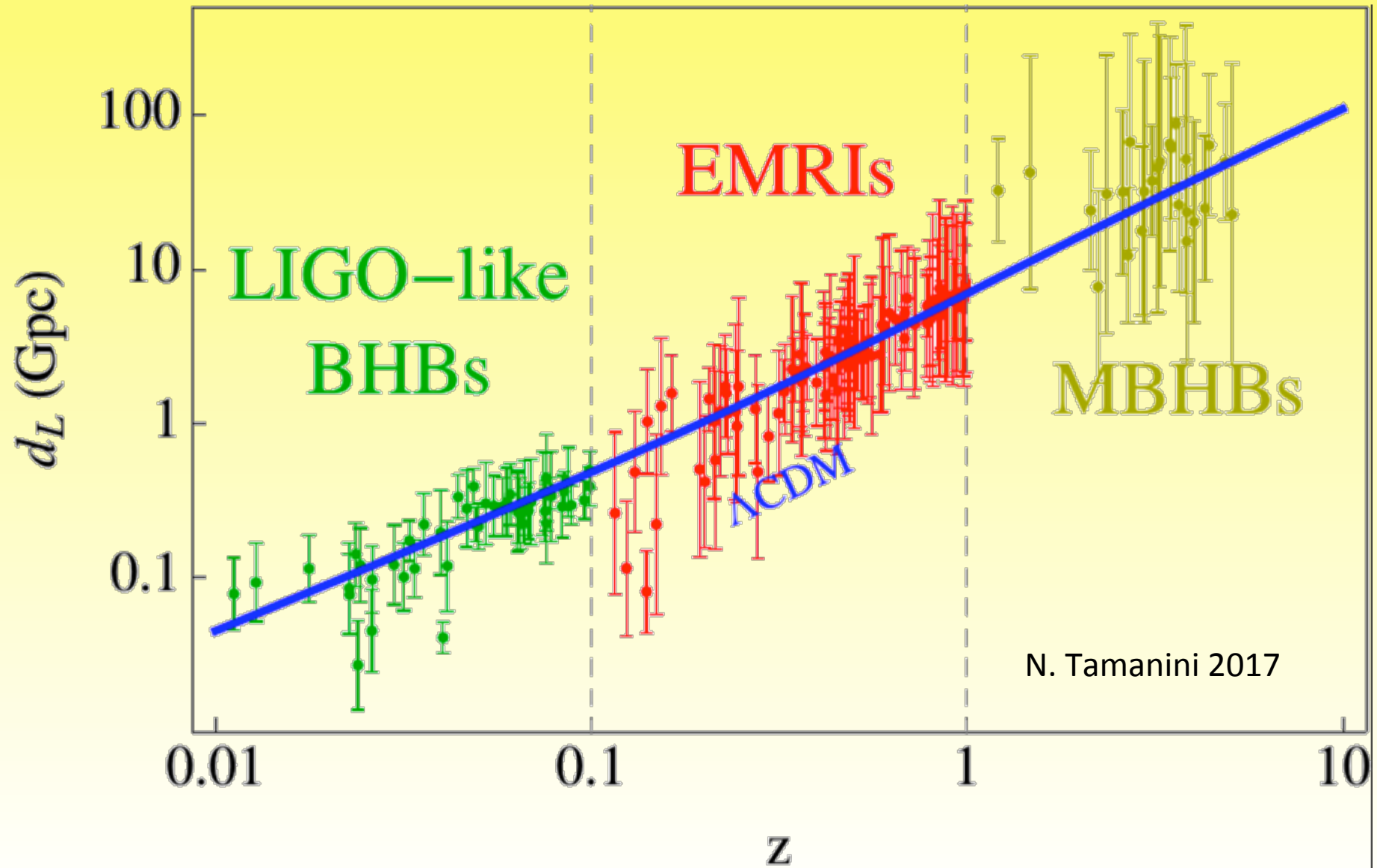


With identifications  
(f) improved WL + merger



Dark Energy equation-of-state parameter  $w$

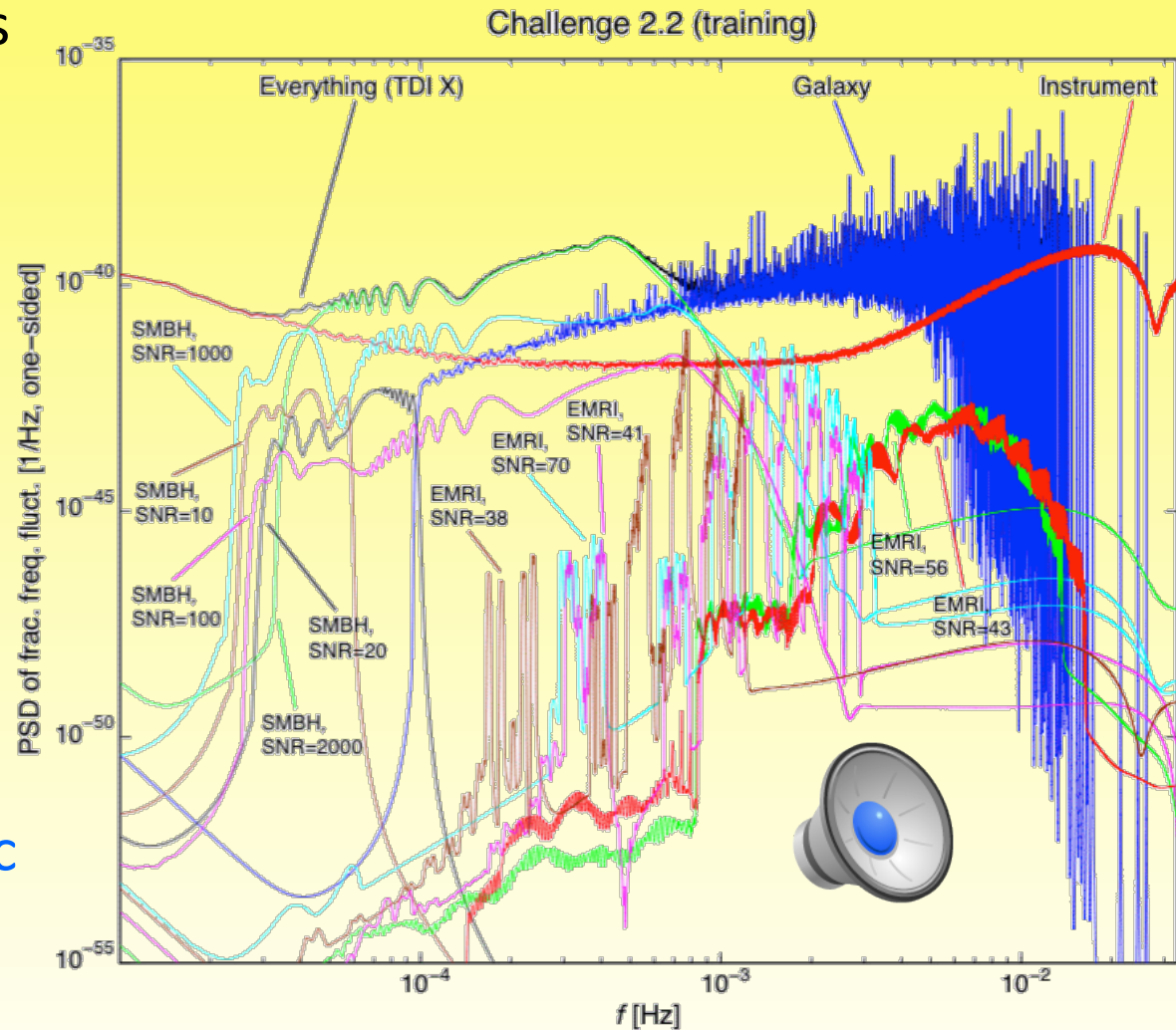
# LISA Cosmology



# LISA Mock Data Challenge (< 2010)



- Practicing data analysis on synthetic data
- Blind international challenge
- Full LISA data stream
  - Instrumental noise
  - 4 MBH events
  - 5 EMRI events
  - 26.1 million Galactic binaries
- Effective data analysis algorithms are needed!



# The new LISA Data Challenge (LDC)



- Resurrecting data challenges
- Project hosted under git-lab:
  - <https://gitlab.in2p3.fr/stas/MLDC> (sign up is required)
- Project oriented:
  - Each data set aims at particular data analysis problem
- Ultimate goal:
  - Build a robust data analysis pipeline for the LISA mission.
- Web-page is open for everyone to sign up for the challenge and download the simulated data set.

# LDC webpage



- The project is hosted under git-lab  
<https://gitlab.in2p3.fr/stas/MLDC> (sign up is required)
- There are bi-weekly teleconferences. The web-page is open (requires registration).  
<https://lisa-ldc.lal.in2p3.fr/home>

LDC LDC Round File sharing Query Contact LISA DPC Admin Logout

You are logged  
You are identified as Stas.  
You can access to various services:  
File Sharing Query

### Welcome to LISA data challenge (LDC) project page.

LISA data challenge is organized and conducted by the data analysis working group of LISA consortium. The simulated LISA data sets are publicly available but require to sign up.  
Each data challenge is not a competition but a project aiming at solving a particular problem within LISA project. We release several data sets within each data challenge.  
If you intend to participate in the data challenge, we would appreciate if you return not only the results but also description of the method and the software used to obtain those results. This would allow us the consult the validation of the results and (possible) integration of this method into the LISA data analysis pipeline.  
The first data release (code name "Radler") is expected to take place in the second half of November.  
LISA data challenge is integrated with (most) the Data Processing Center (DPC) infrastructure.  
For the further enquiries, please send e-mail to [mto-ai-1@lisa.lal.in2p3.fr](mailto:mto-ai-1@lisa.lal.in2p3.fr)  
The Publication Policies on LDC can be found [here](#)! The documentation about each challenge can be found [here](#)!  
We intend to provide the tutorial pages at the end of the Radler-Challenge.  
\*Not yet in its final state, might change\* \*in preparation\*

### Data Processing Center (DPC)

LDC Web application is part of the DPC of LISA. The goal of the DPC is to provide tools for code development and execution for the data analysis. The platform is reachable at LISA DPC.

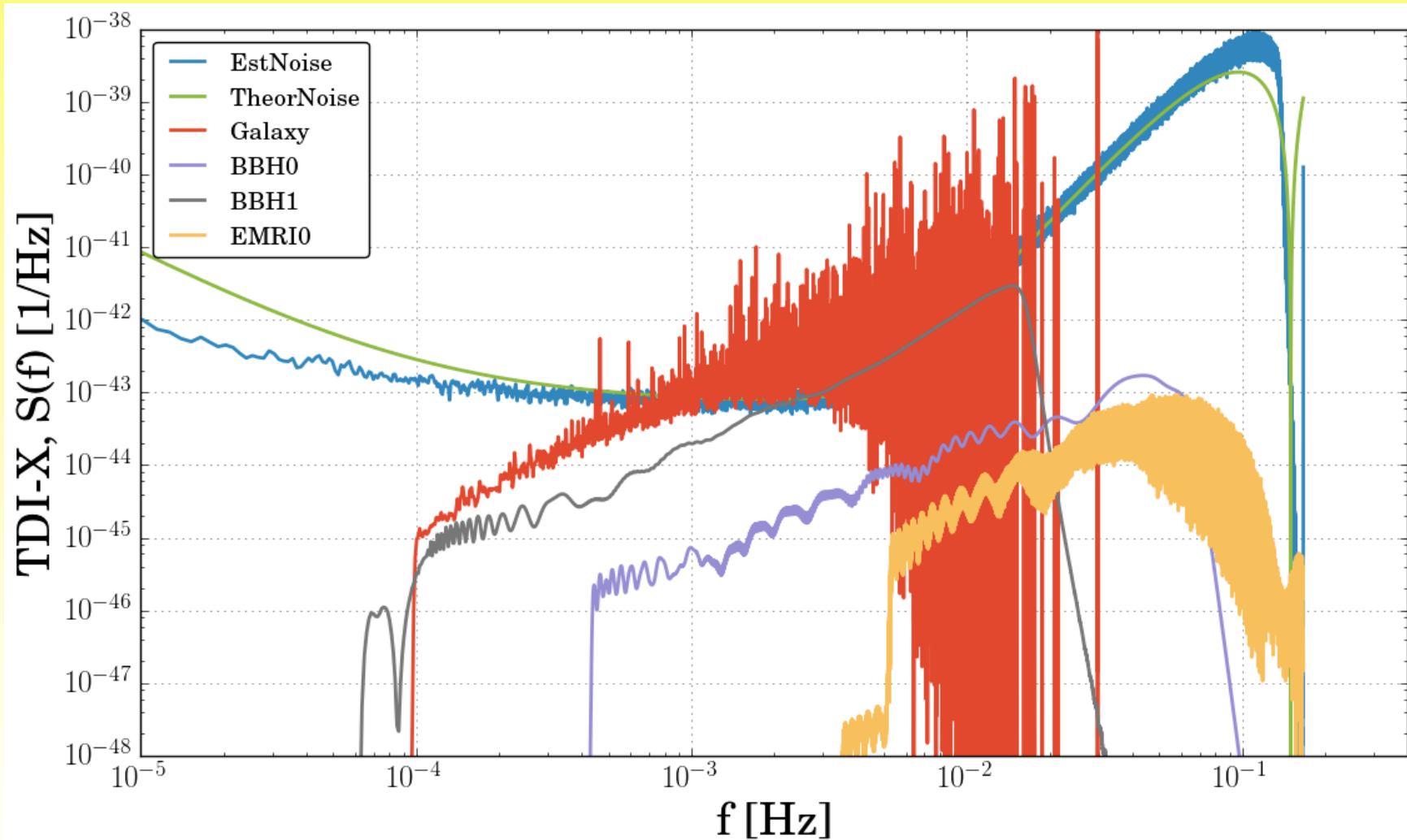
### News

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# First Data Release



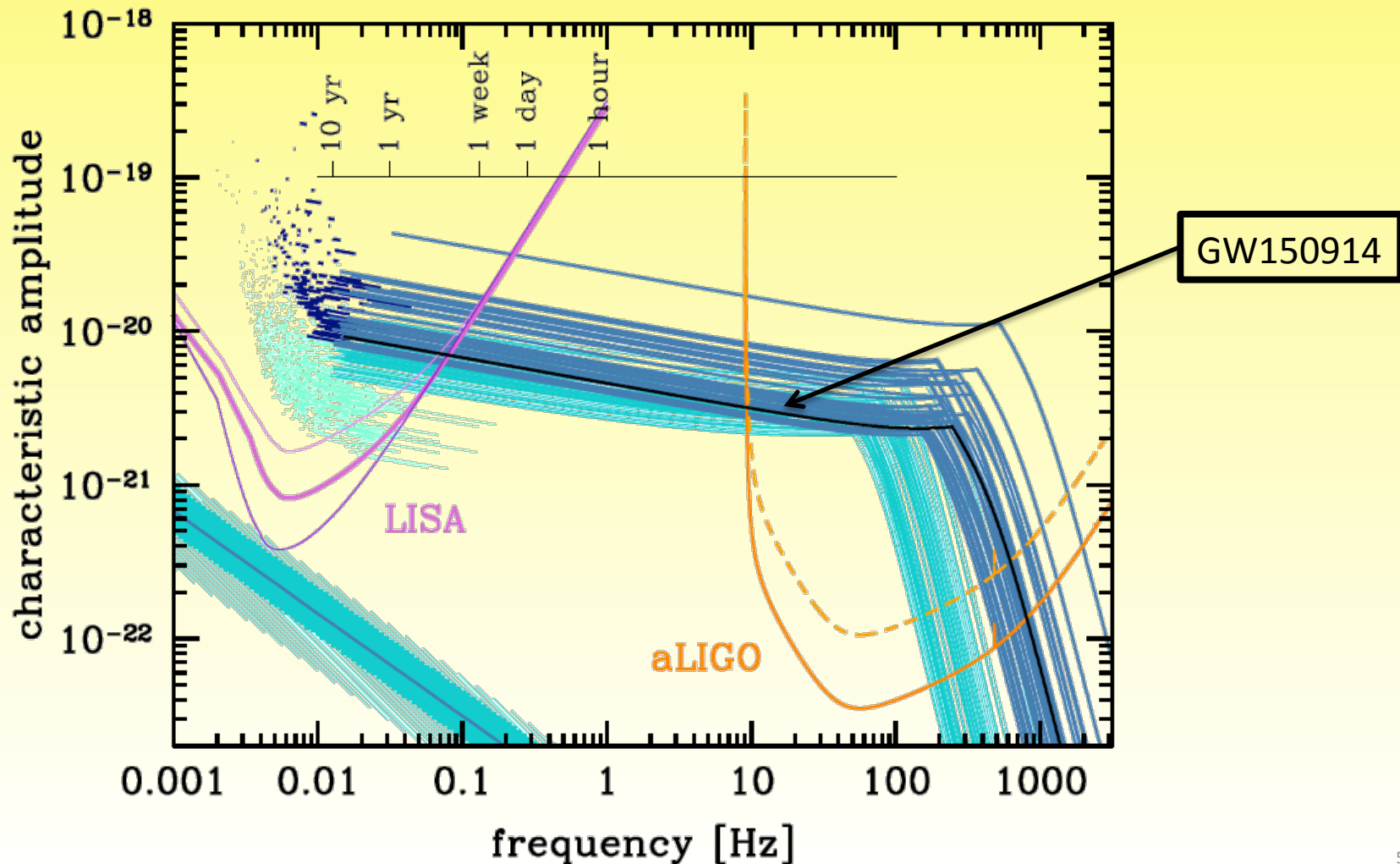
- Several data sets:



# LISA: LIGO Event Predicted 10 Years in Advance!



- Accurate to seconds and within a square-degree!



# ESA L2 and L3 Missions



- Call for Mission Concepts fall 2016
- Decision on L3 Adoption 2021
- Nominally Launch of L2 in 2028
- Nominally Launch of L3 in 2034
- Launch LISA and Athena together?

