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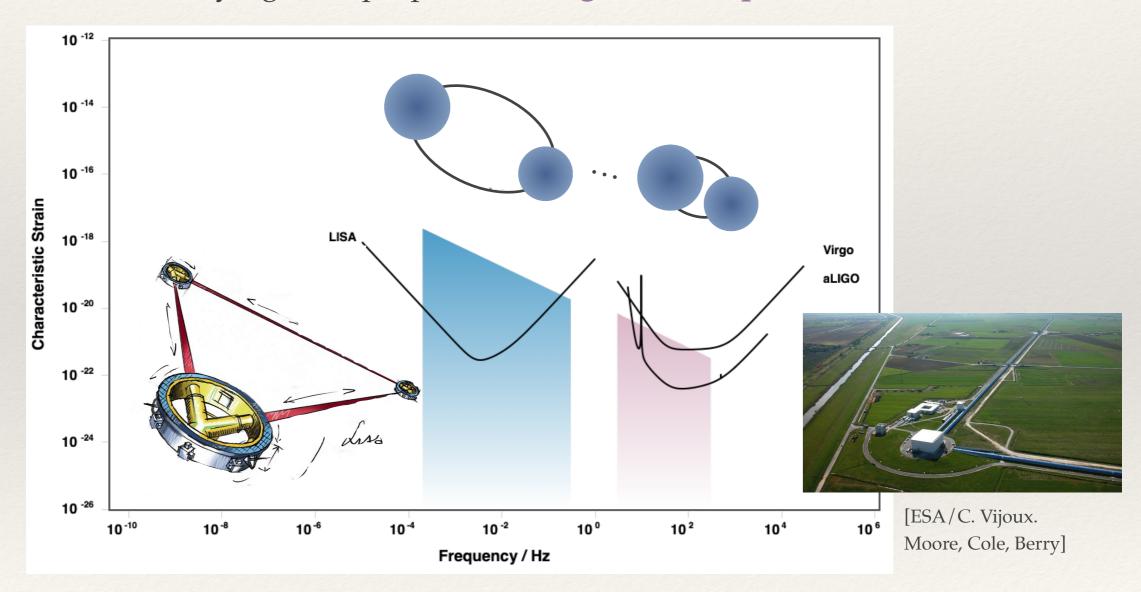
Gravitational waves from accreting black hole binaries

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The LISA mission

LIGO and VIRGO are detecting stellar origin BHs, and studying their properties at high GW frequencies.

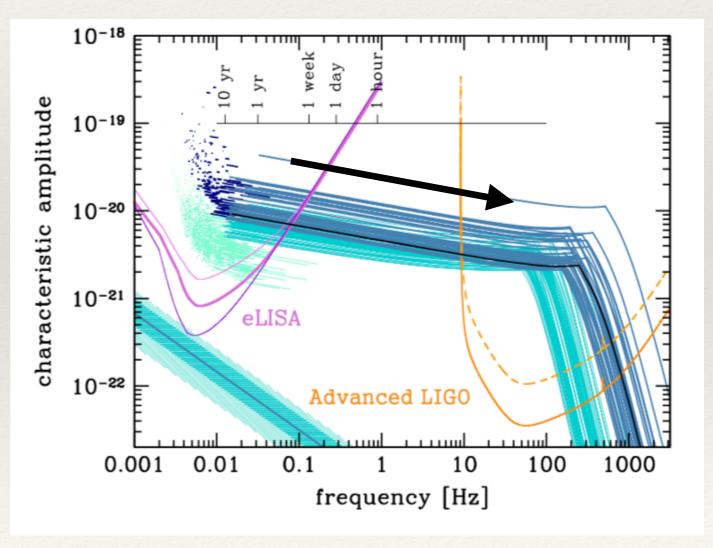


LISA will be sensitive to *properties* and *sources* that are relevant at low frequencies.

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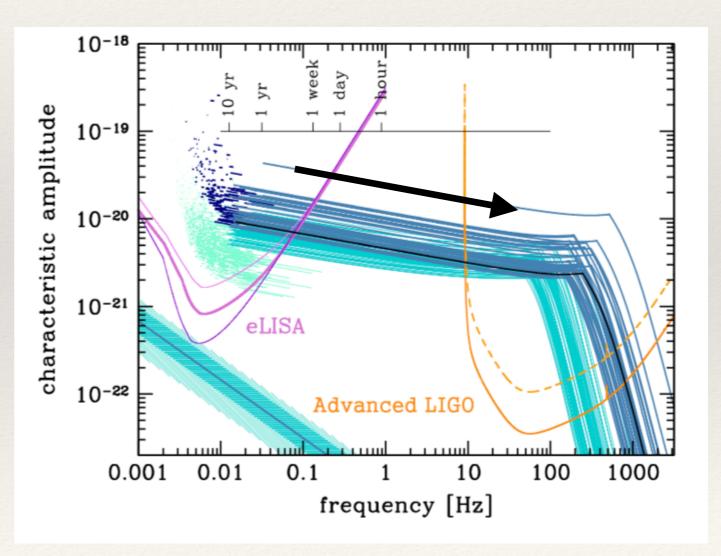
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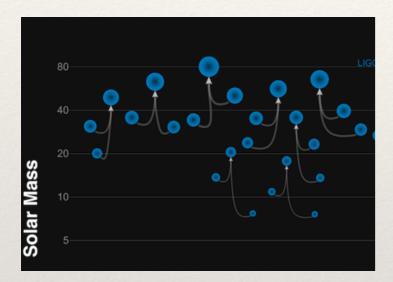
Effects include

- modified-gravity corrections
- environmental effects:
 - * Mass accretion
 - * Peculiar acceleration
 - Electromagnetic fields
 - * Dynamical friction
 - Planetary migration
 - * Dark matter features (spikes)...

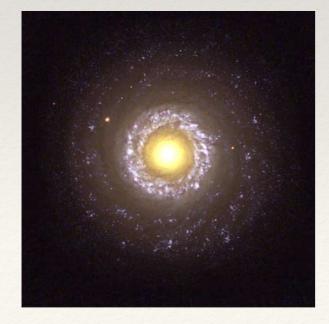


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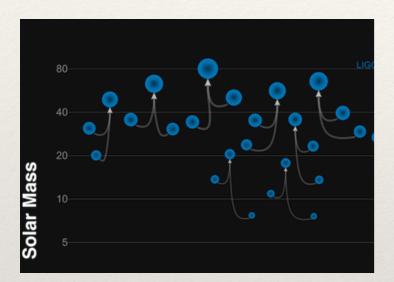
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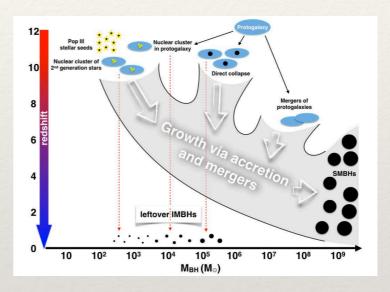


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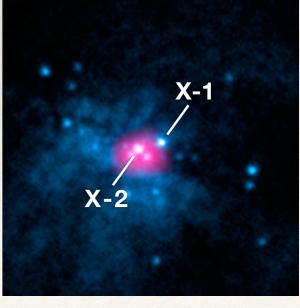


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Intermediate mass BH binaries, $10^2 - 10^5 M_{\odot}$



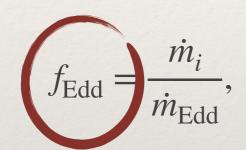
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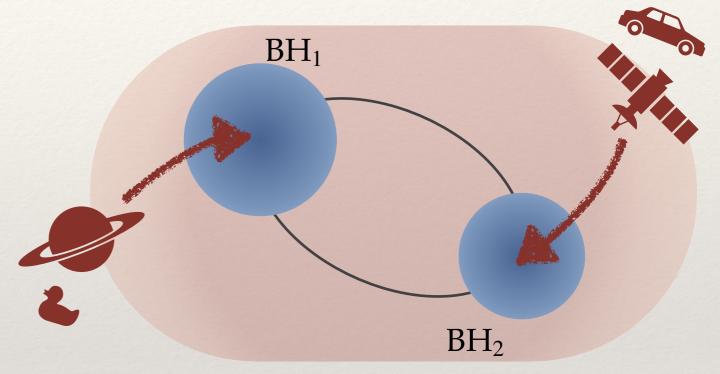
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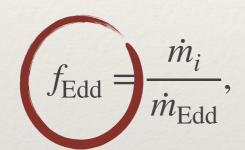


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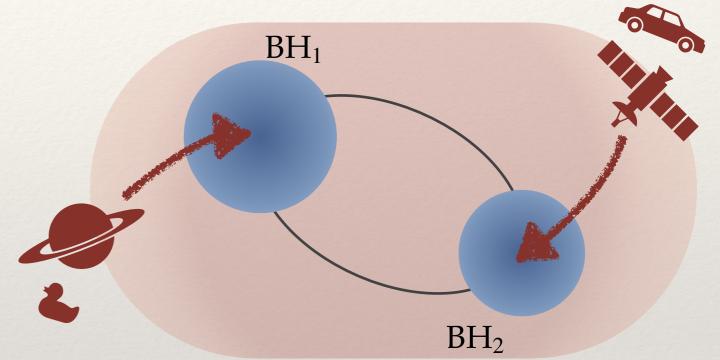


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Accretion affects the waveform at -4 PN order (and higher):

$$\phi \sim f_{\rm Edd} f^{-13/3}$$

relative to the leading-order radiation-reaction term ($\sim f^{-5/3}$)

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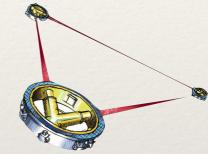
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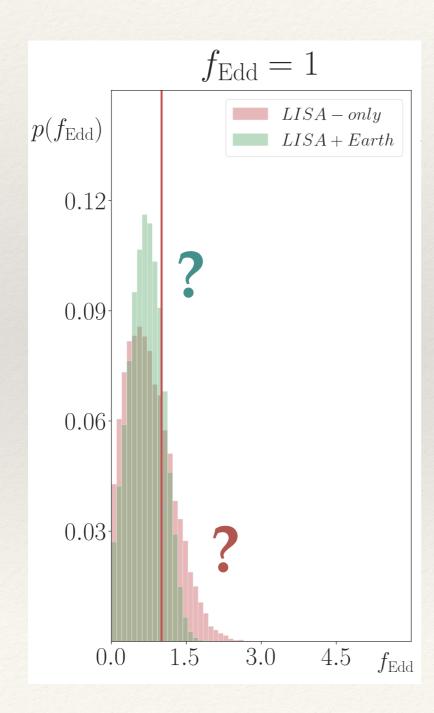
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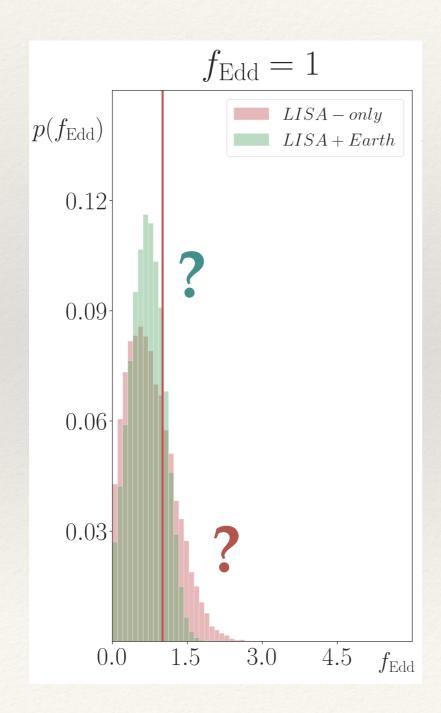
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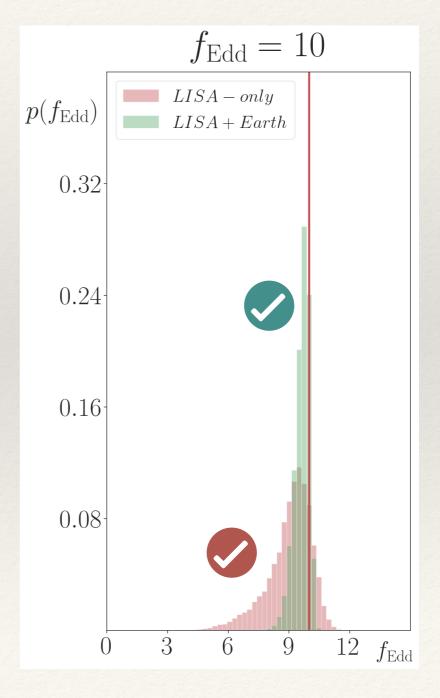
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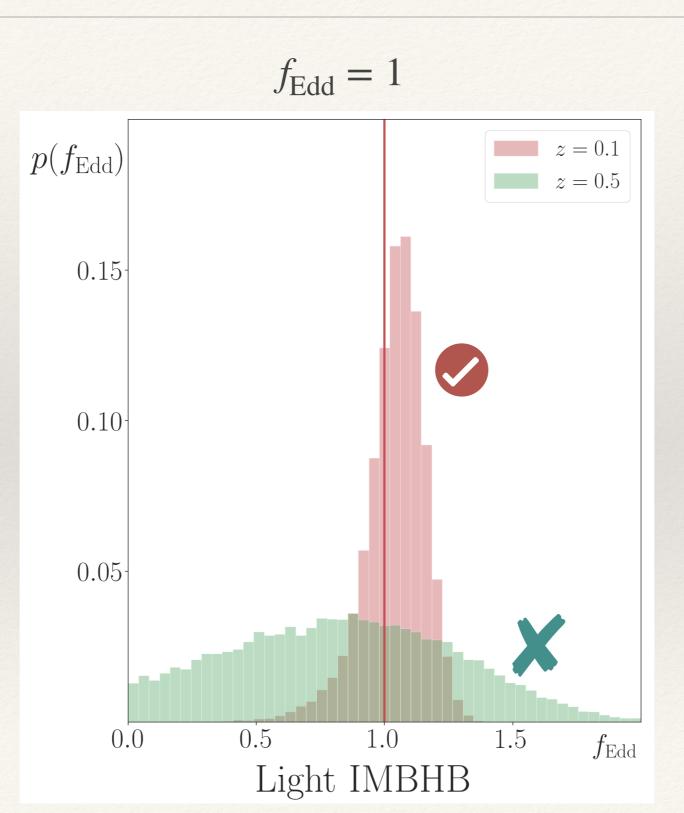
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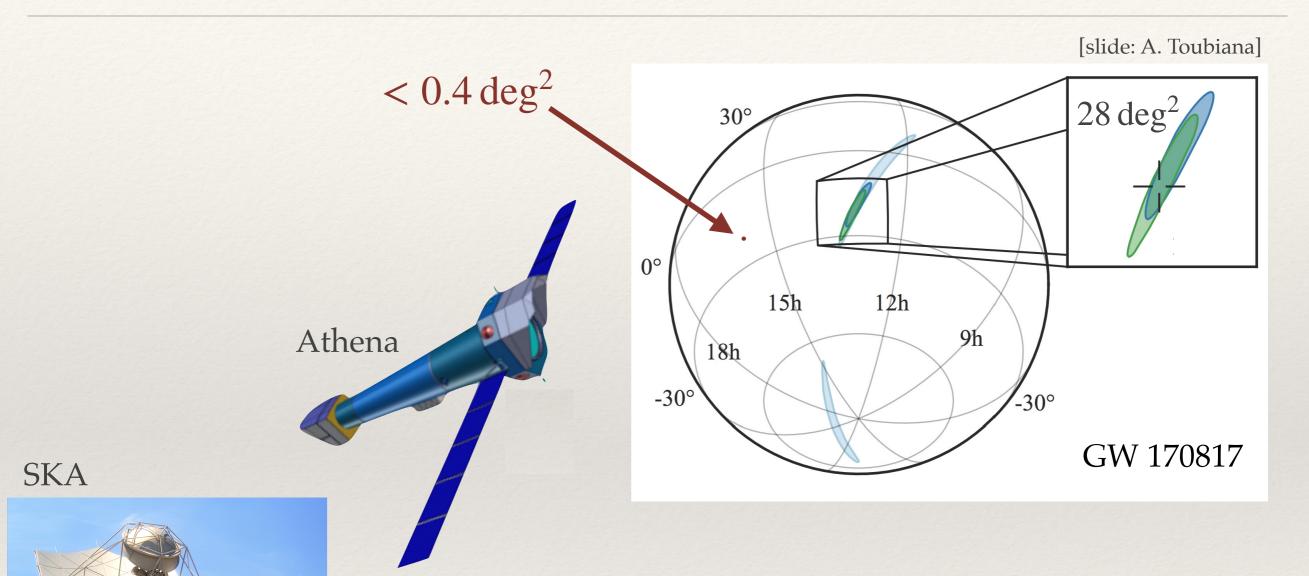




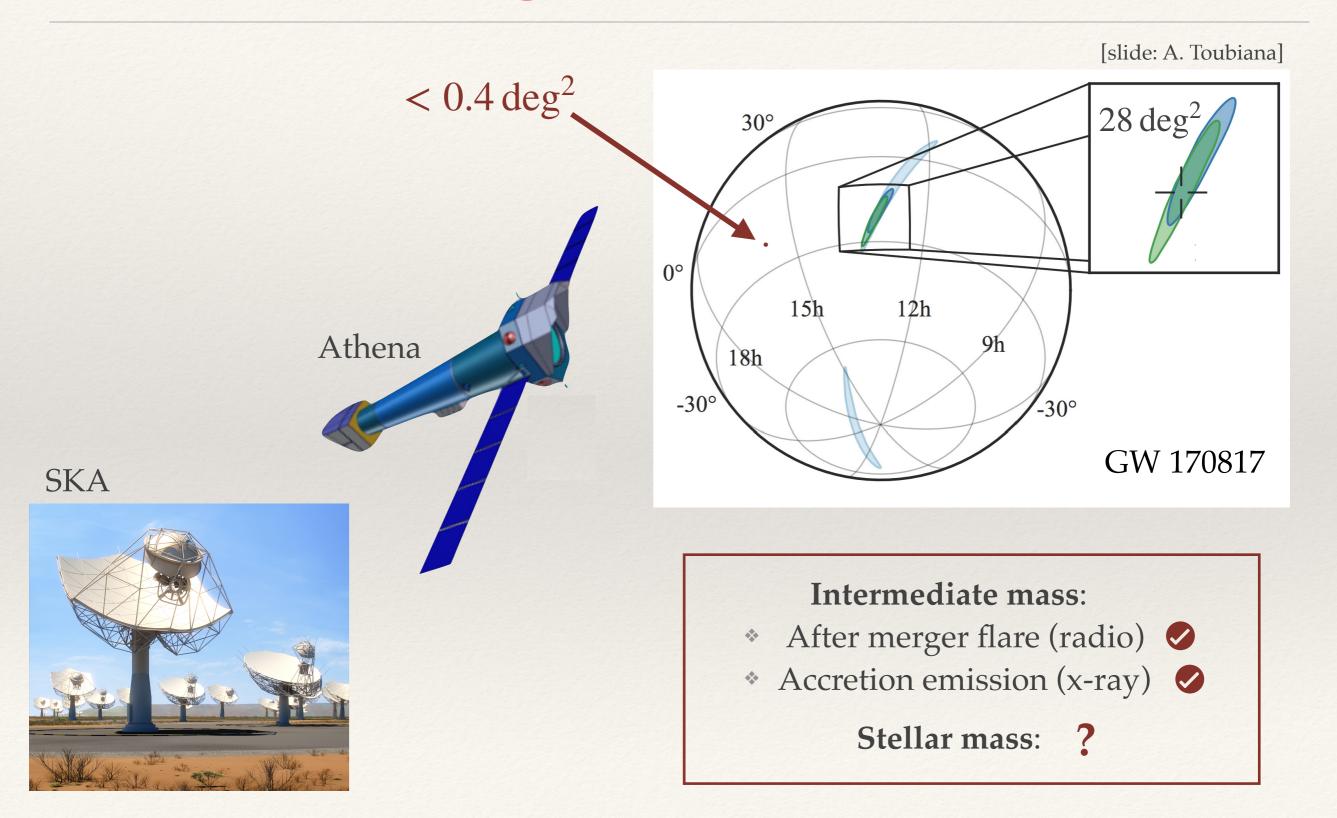
Intermediate mass: Detection across redshift



Electromagnetic counterparts



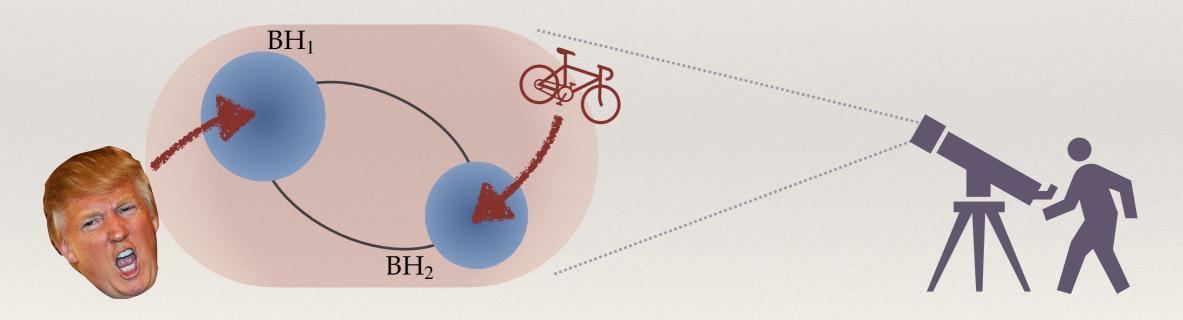
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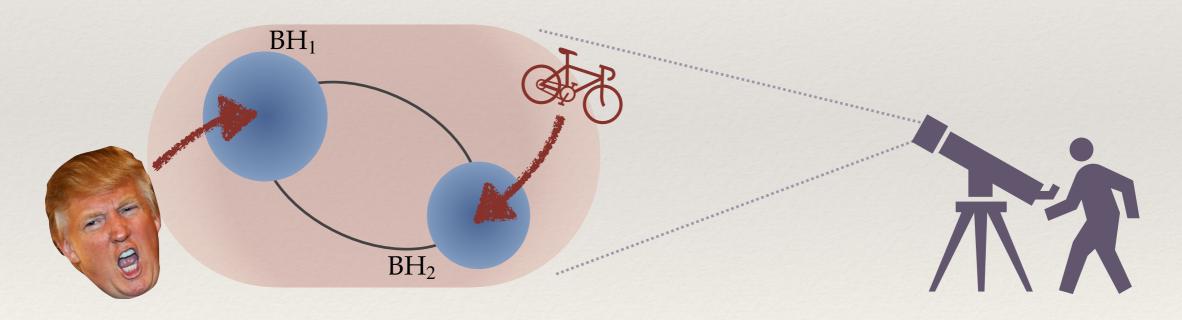
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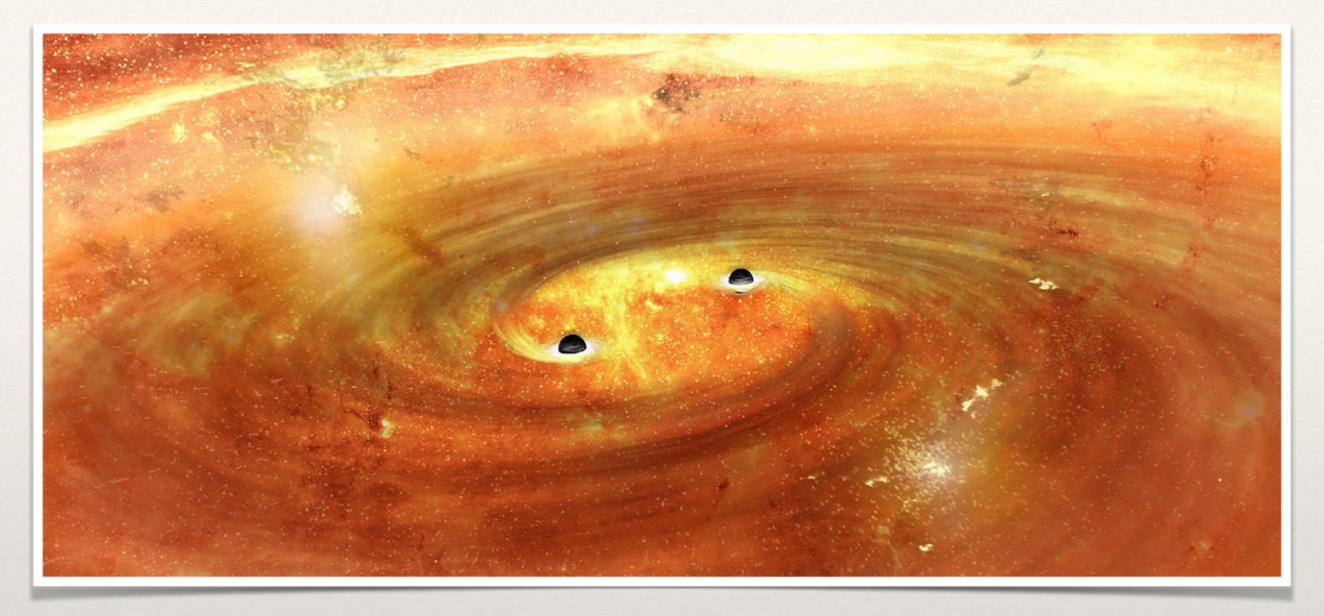
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Important to understand BH formation and accretion mechanisms, assess modifications of gravity, cosmology?



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