

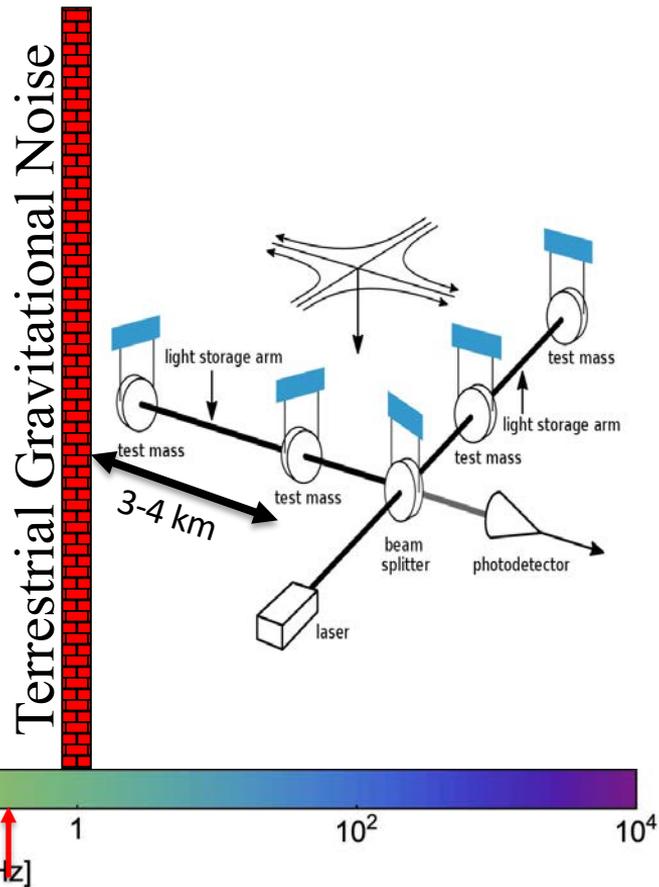
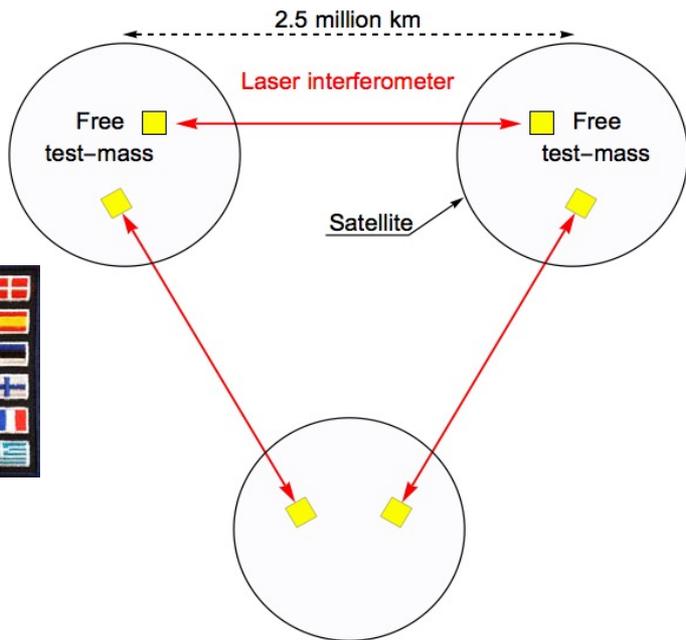
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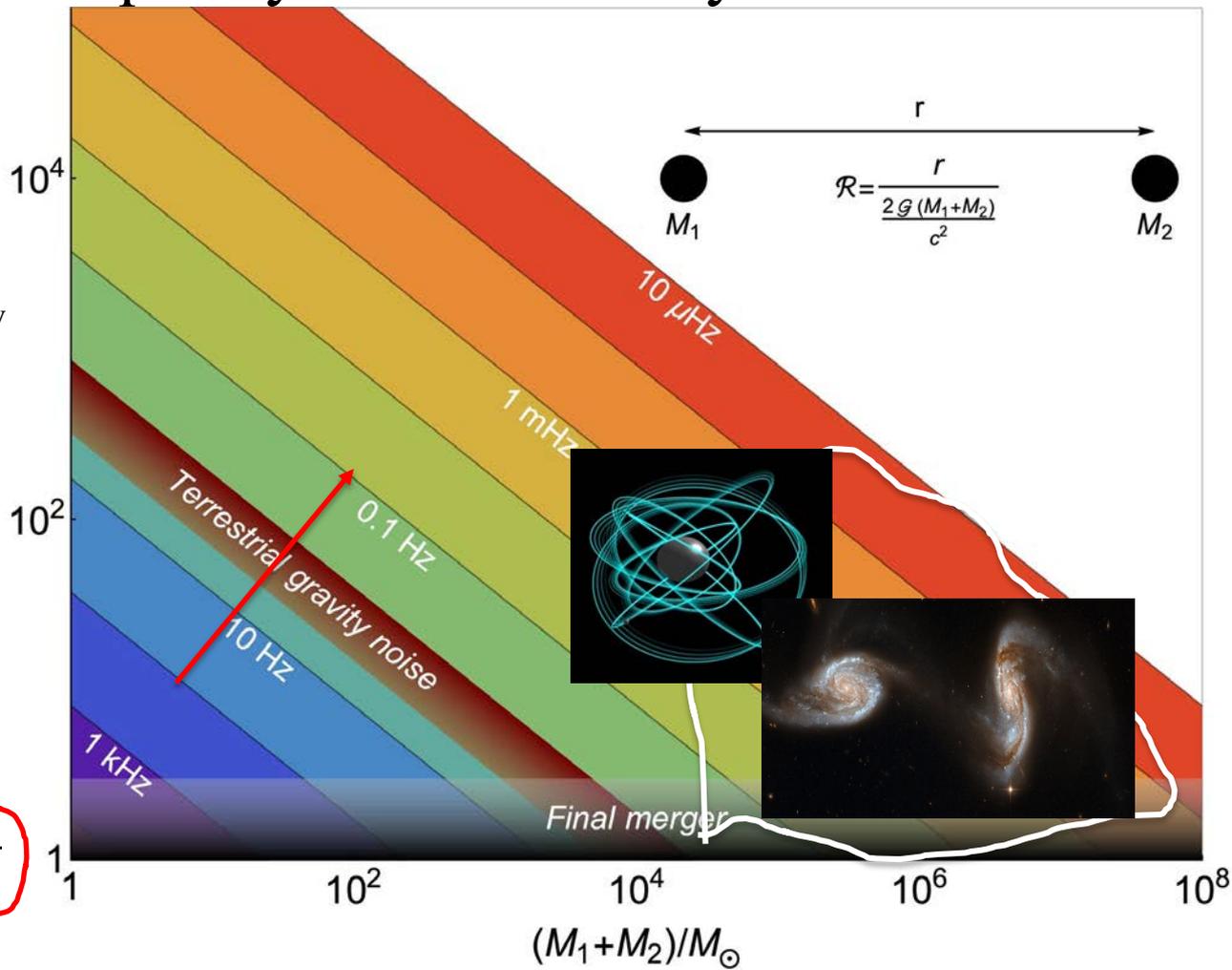
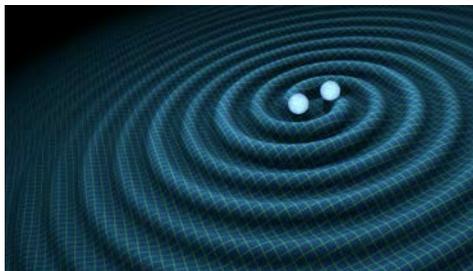
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LISA: the quest for low-frequency GW



Low frequency GW astronomy



- Binaries are nearly Keplerian, frequency of wave twice frequency of revolution

$$f_{GW} = \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{G(M_1 + M_2)}{r^3}} \quad \mathcal{R}$$

- Separation normalized to Schwarzschild radii:

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{r}{\left(\frac{2G(M_1 + M_2)}{c^2}\right)}$$

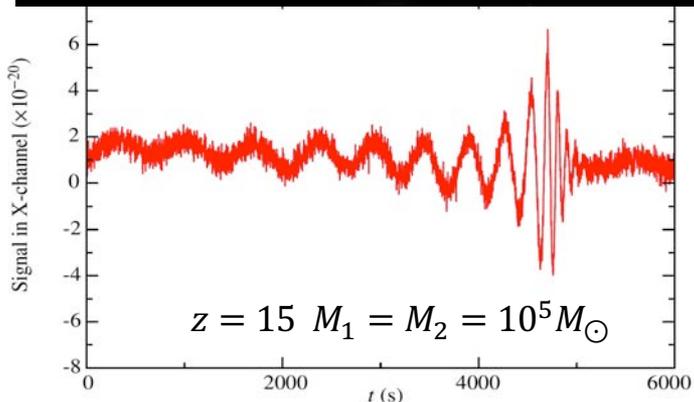
($\mathcal{R} \rightarrow 1 \simeq$ final merger)

- Frequency decreases with both mass and \mathcal{R}

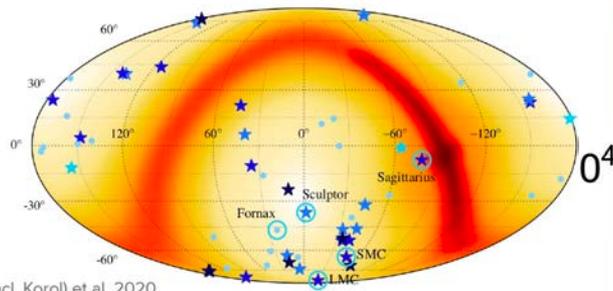
$$f_{GW} = \frac{c}{\pi\sqrt{2} R_{\odot}} \left(\frac{M_1 + M_2}{M_{\odot}}\right)^{-1} \mathcal{R}^{-\frac{3}{2}}$$

Supermassive BH mergers: the brightest sources

- Wave amplitude scales with $M_1 \times M_2$: detectable “everywhere” in the universe

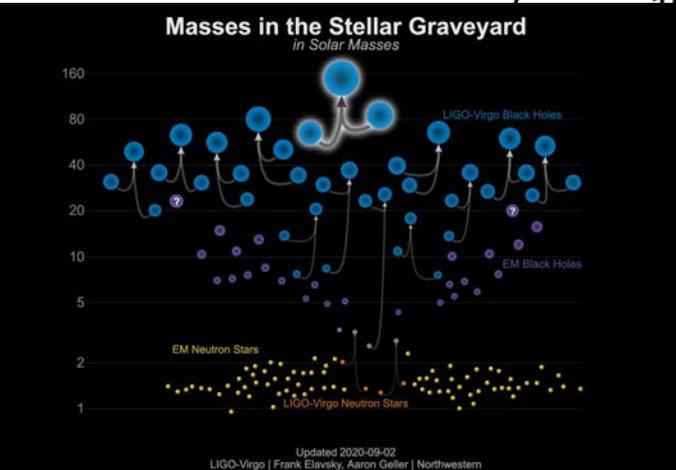
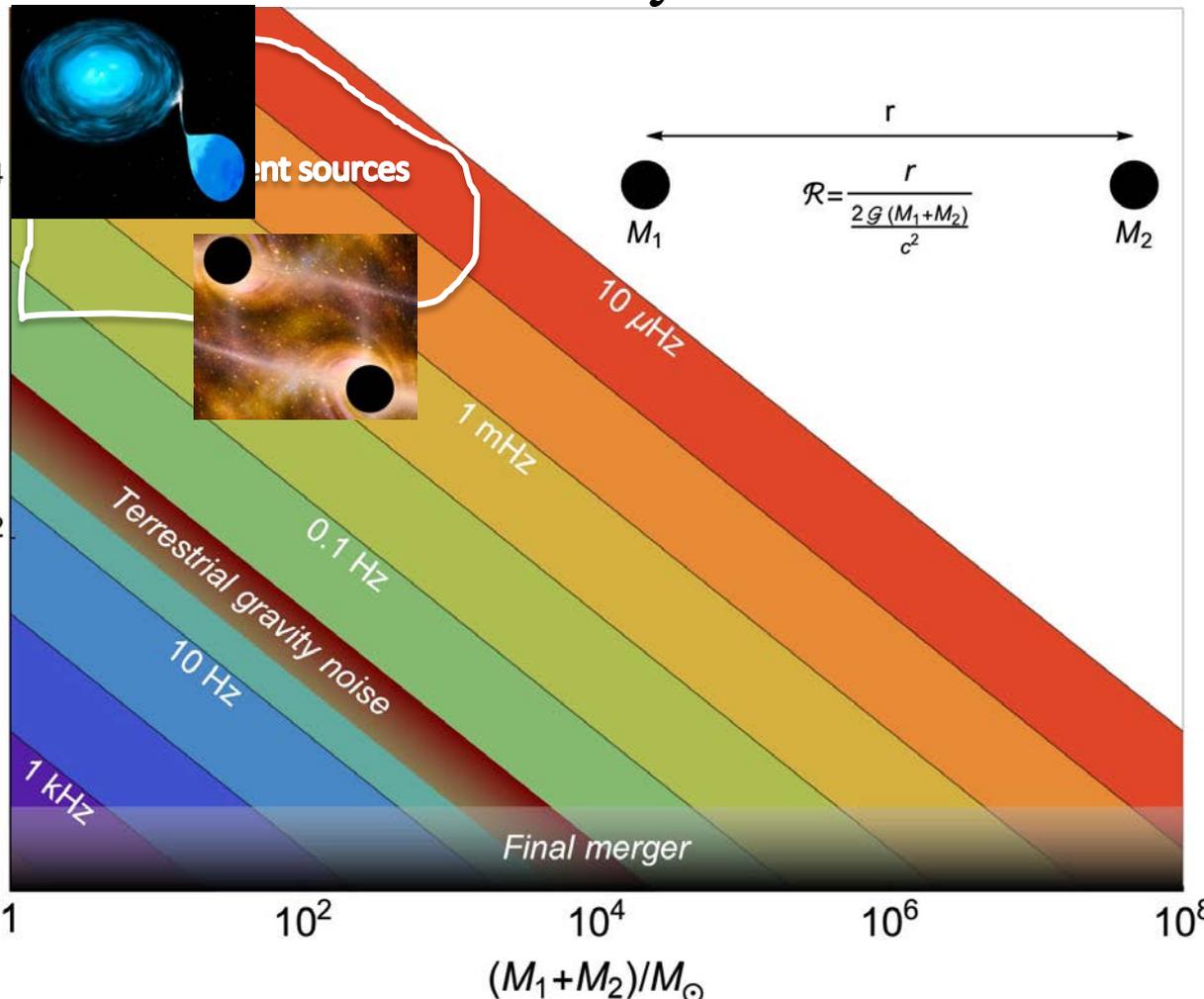


Non-transient GW astronomy



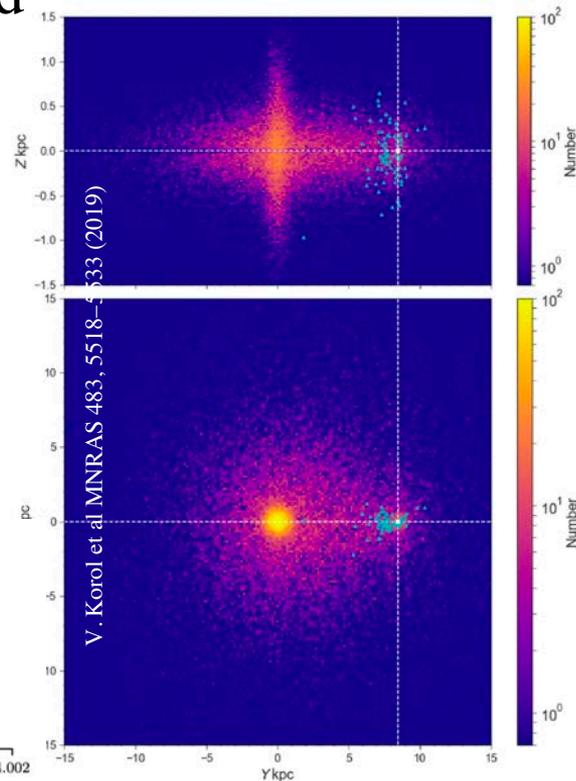
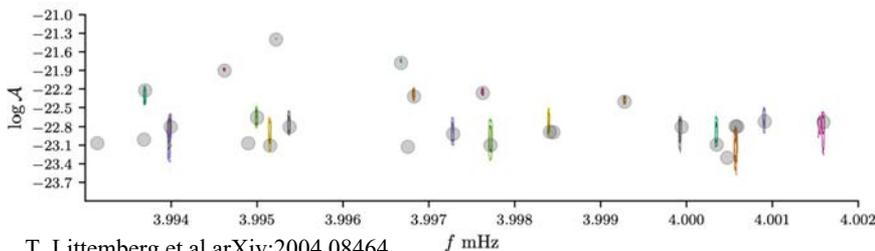
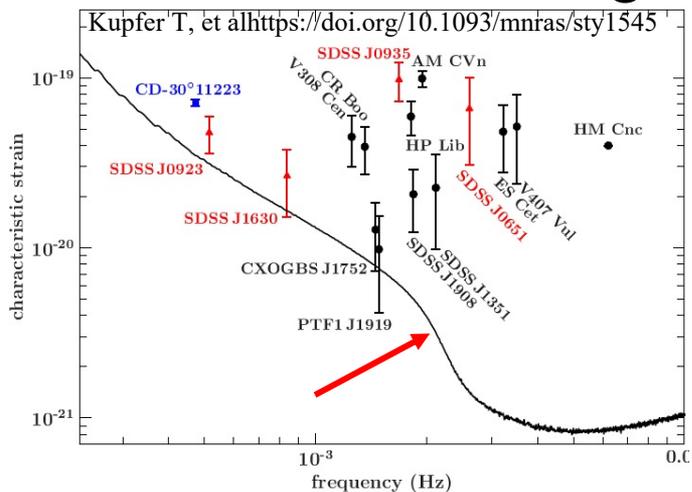
Roebber (incl. Korol) et al. 2020

- GW-binary astronomy of local group
- BH multi-band astronomy



The high \mathcal{R} end: the GW Milky Way

- Tens of thousand of discernible sources
- Plus a stochastic foreground

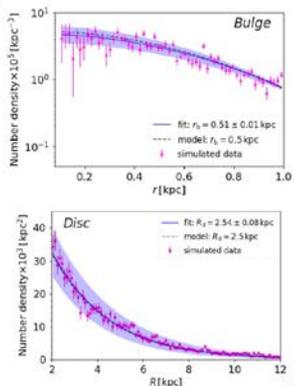


The shape of the Milky Way's components

The spatial distribution of DWDs with measured distances (several thousand) constrains:

- Bulge scale radius to 2%
- Disc scale radius to 3%
- Disc scale height to 16%

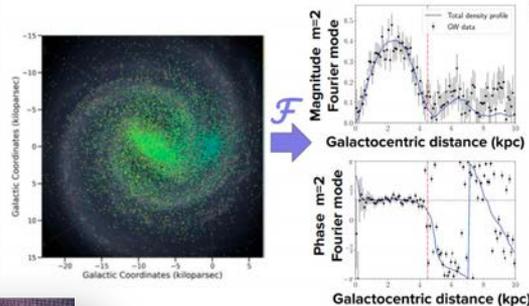
Korol et al 2019
See also Adams et al. 2012



Expectations

Structural parameters of the central bar

Fourier transformation of the DWD spatial distribution can reveal shape of the bar.



Specifically, it will constrain:

- axis ratio to 10%
- length to < 1%
- orientation angle to < 1°

(Wilhelm, Korol et al. 2020)

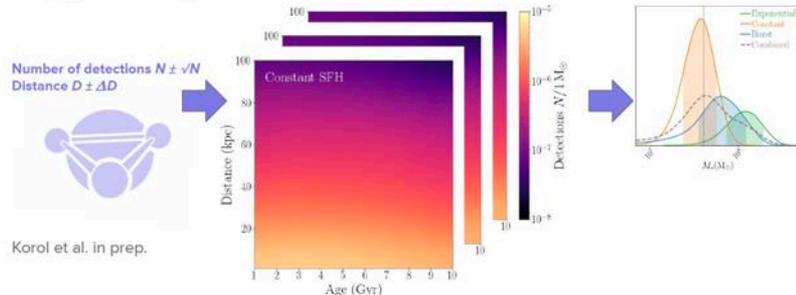


The detection of circumbinary exoplanets

Camilla DANIELSKI

Weighing Milky Way satellites

By exploiting our models we can recover the satellite's total stellar mass: to within a factor two if SFH is known and to an order of magnitude when marginalising over different SFH models. If no detections are identified with the satellite we can still place an upper limit on its stellar mass.



Korol et al. in prep.

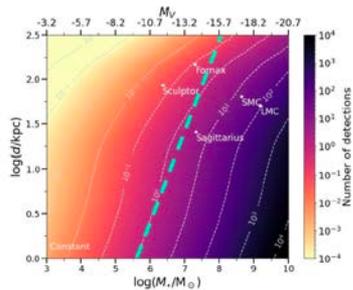
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Discovering Milky Way satellites in gravitational waves

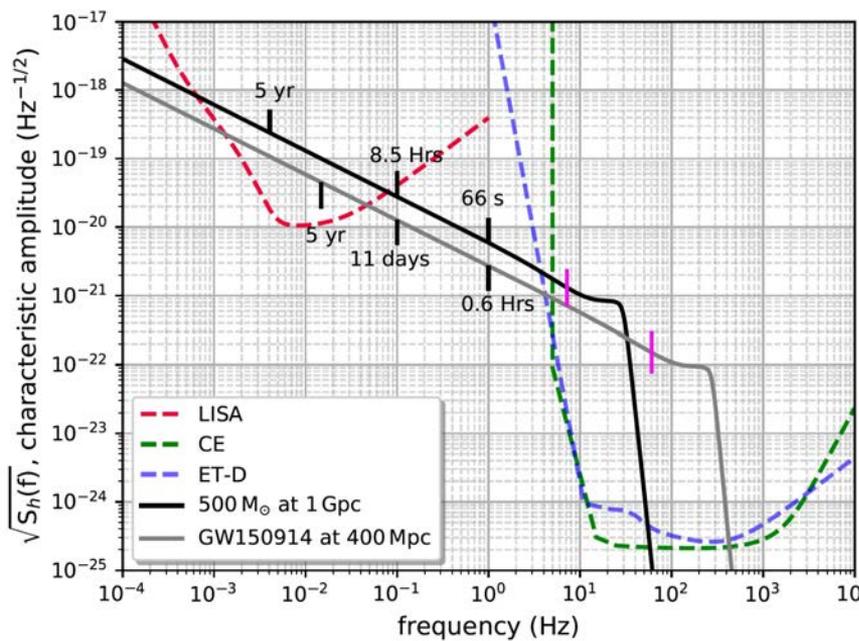
- Satellites with stellar mass $> 10^6 M_\odot$ host detectable LISA sources
- LISA detections can inform us about the total stellar mass and star formation history of the satellites
- Discovery of satellites invisible to electromagnetic observatories



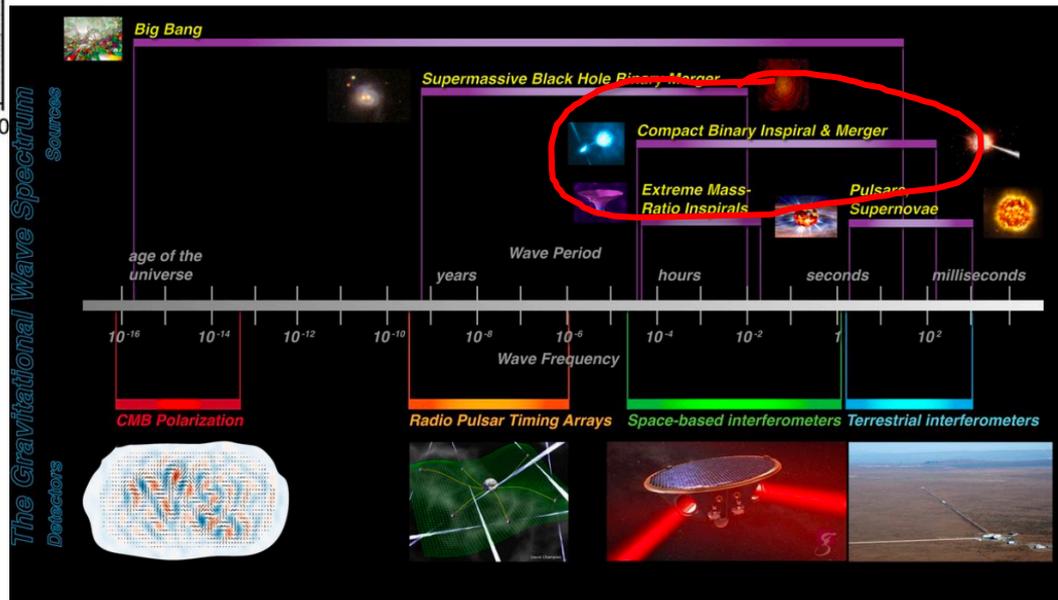
See talk by Riccardo Buscicchio

Korol et al. 2020; Roebber et al. (incl.Korol) 2020
See also Lamberts et al. 2019

Multi-band GW astronomy and fundamental physics



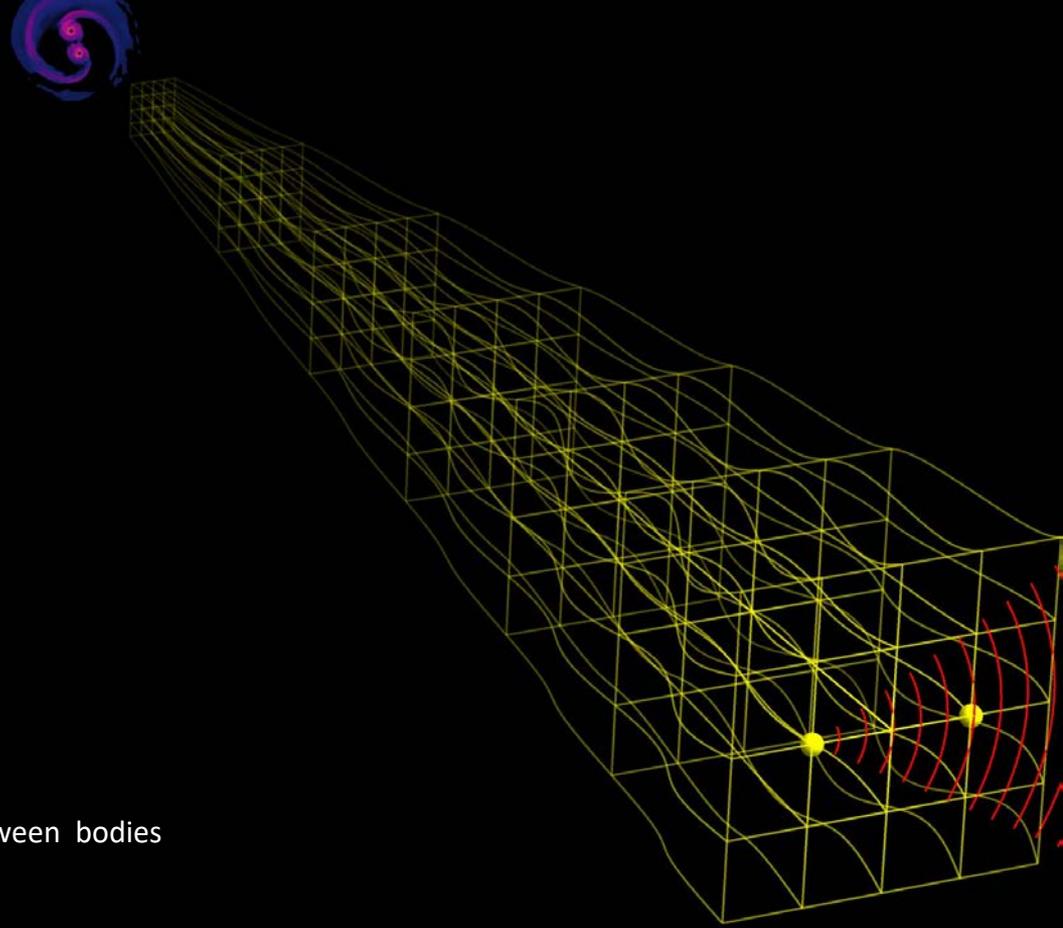
Joint observation greatly improves measurement of deviation from GR



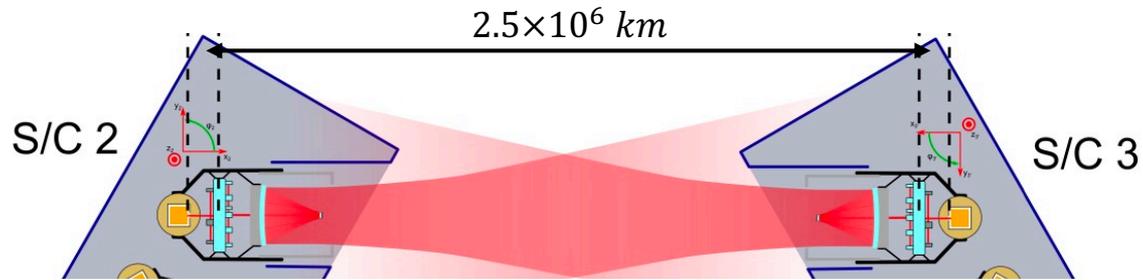
Detecting gravitational wave in space

- Waves of space-time curvature that propagate at speed of light
- Doppler tracking of free orbiting bodies modulated at period of gravitational wave

$$\frac{\Delta \dot{v}}{v_0} \approx c \underbrace{R^x_{0x0}}_{\text{Curvature tensor}} L \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{\Delta \dot{v}}{v_0}} \right\} \text{Separation between bodies}$$



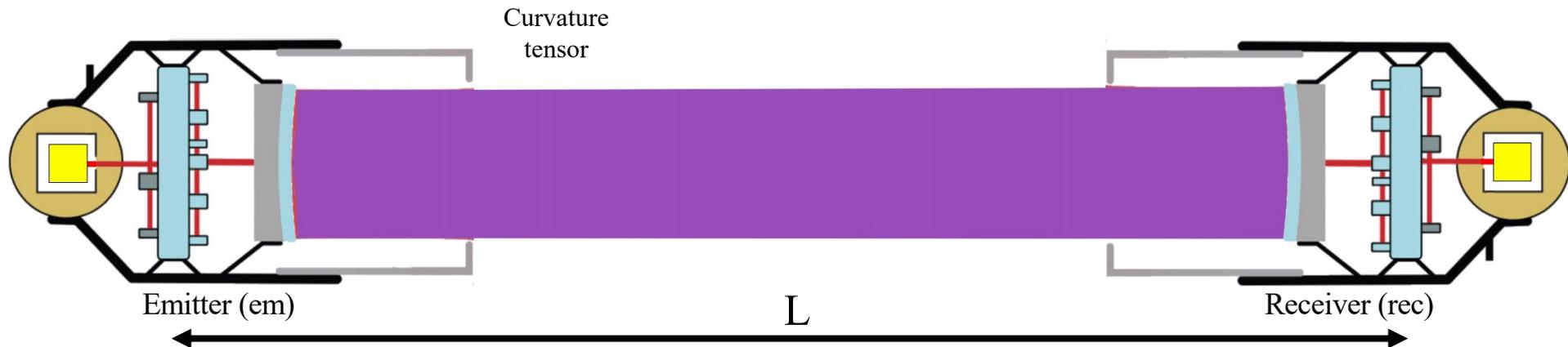
LISA



The LISA link

- Propagating throughout GW curvature, beam accumulates a time modulated frequency shift

$$\frac{\Delta \dot{\nu}}{\nu_0} \simeq \underbrace{c R^x_{0x0} L}_{\text{Curvature tensor}} \underbrace{\quad}_{\text{Size of detector}}$$



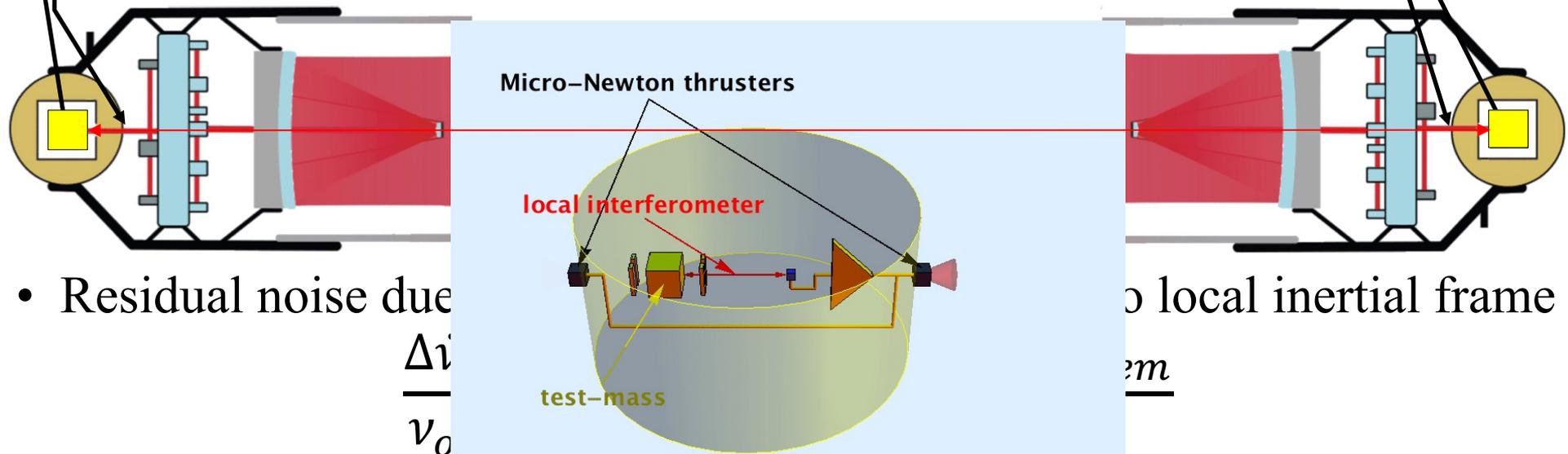
- Acceleration of spacecraft via standard Doppler effect also shifts frequency

$$\text{and mimics GW } \frac{\Delta \dot{\nu}}{\nu_0} = c R^x_{0x0} L + \frac{a_{rec} - a_{em}}{c}$$

- Spacecraft (S/C) accelerate too much because of solar radiation pressure

Coping with S/C acceleration

- Free-floating test-masses (TM) are carried inside S/C
- No contact between TM and S/C, “drag-free” along the beam
- Measure S/C-to-TM acceleration and correct signal for Doppler

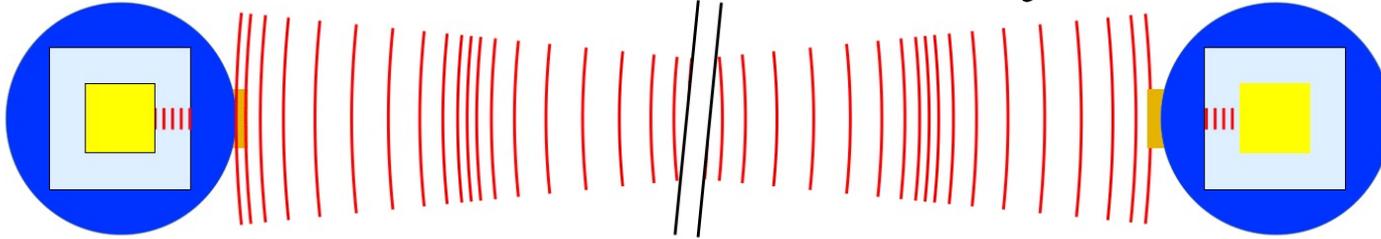


- Residual noise due to S/C acceleration $\frac{\Delta v}{v_0}$

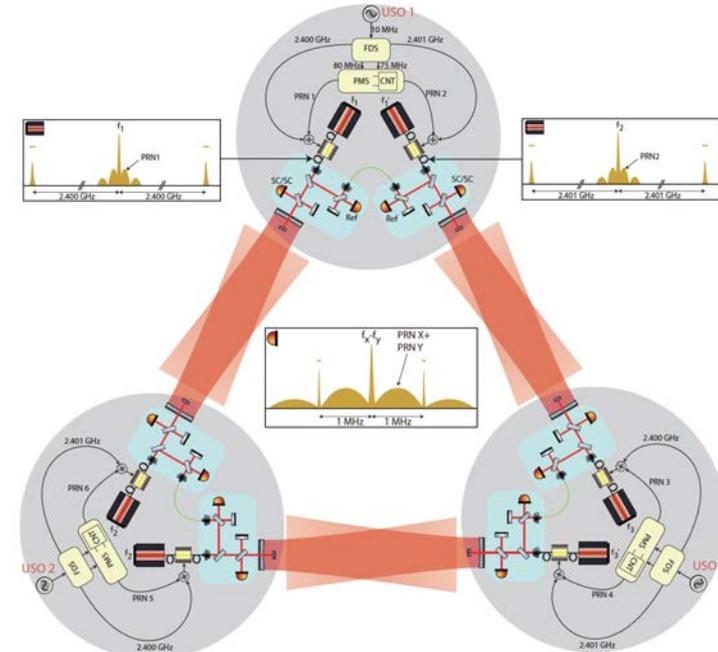
to local inertial frame $\frac{\Delta v}{v_0}$



LISA interferometry

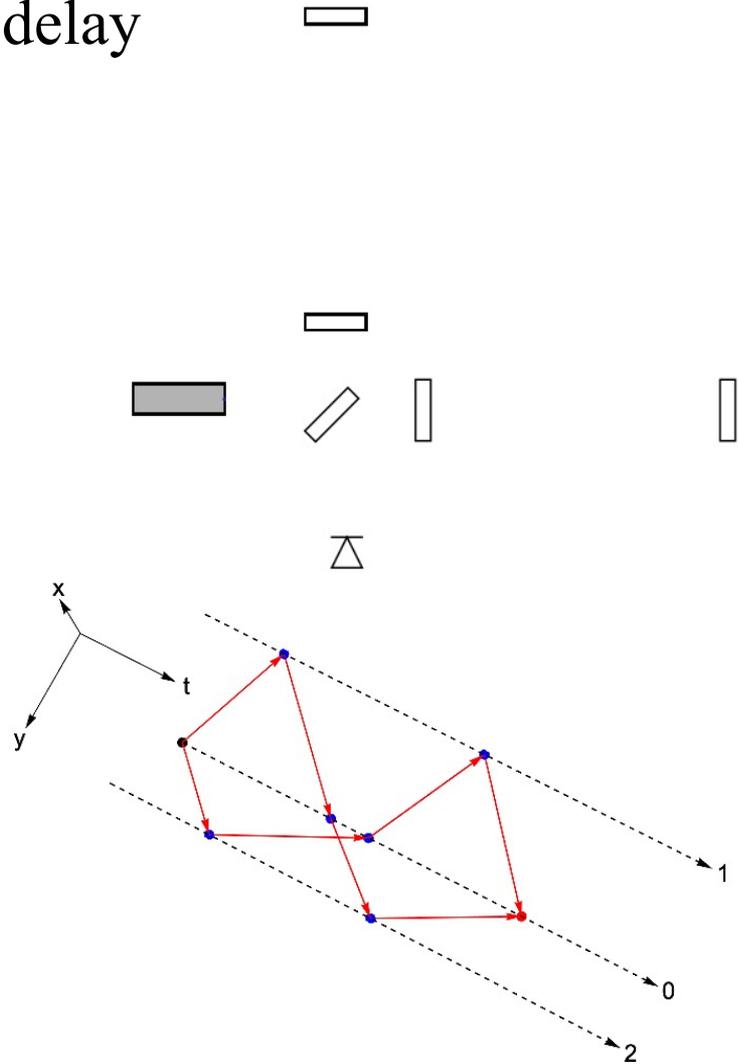


- The LISA arm: two counter-propagating links.
- LISA 3 arms: 6 single-link frequency signals, 100 pW interferometry, $\approx 10 \text{ pm}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ equivalent test-mass displacement.
- To beat laser noise, data processing requires knowledge of light travel time within 3 ns/1 m. Done with internal “laser GPS”



Laser frequency noise & time delay interferometry

- Best stabilized laser frequency noise off scale:
 - Required $\leq 1 \mu\text{Hz}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
 - Available $\leq 1 \text{kHz}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- Ground based interferometers beat noise comparing beams emitted at same time (equal arms)
- LISA: arms are unequal ($\Delta L \simeq 10^5 \text{km}$) and time varying over the year.
- Combine single-link signals to mimic light beams that have traveled equal lengths



Requires high accuracy measurement of phase

- Demonstrated in lab by many teams
- For instance

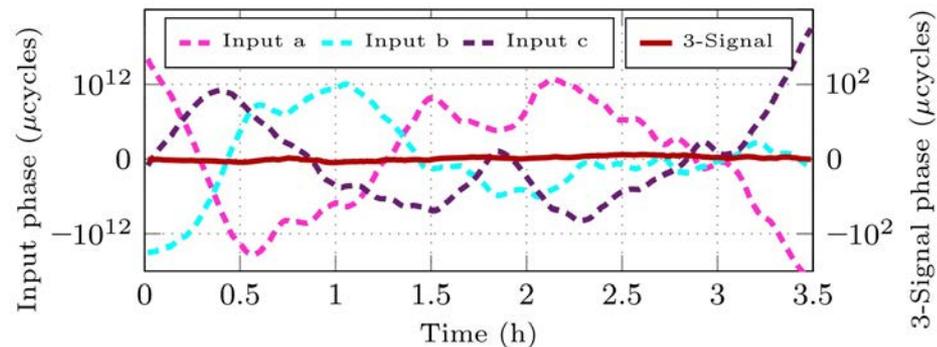
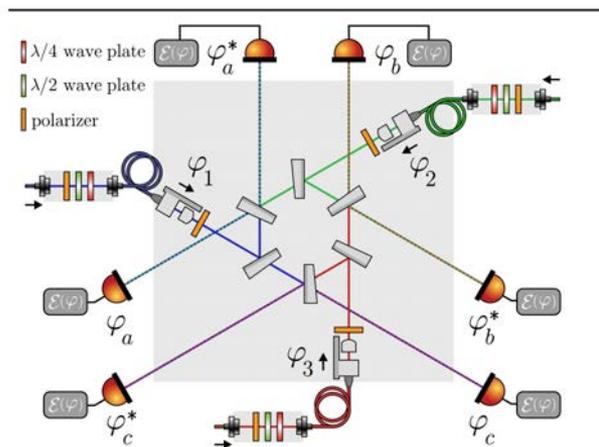
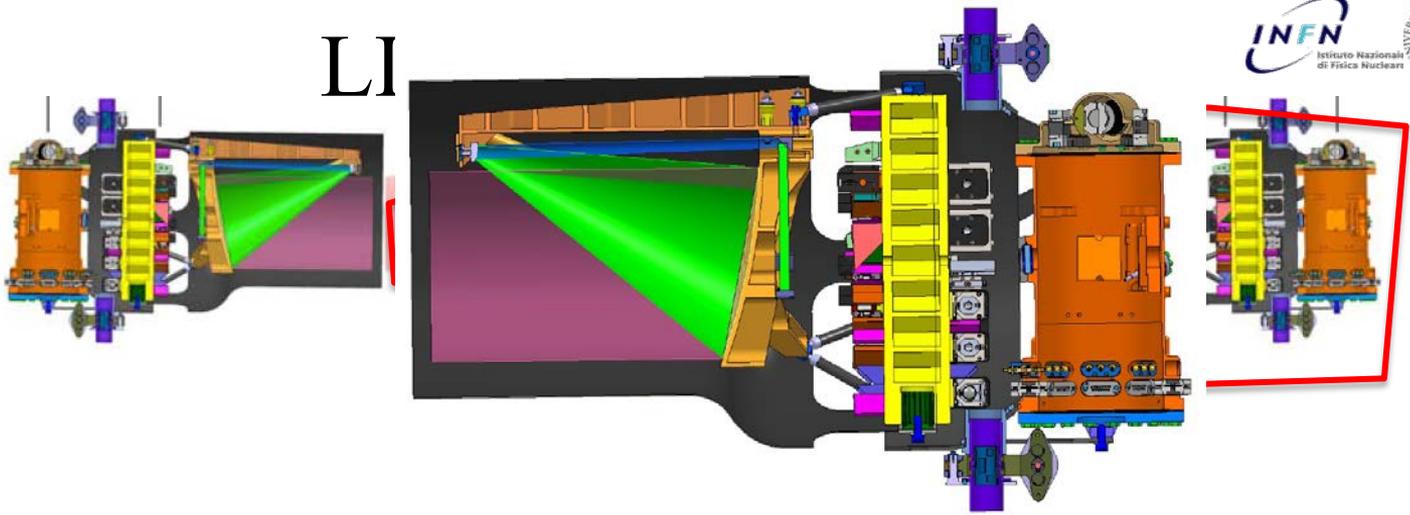


FIG. 4. Time series of input phase fluctuations and resulting three-signal combination, illustrating the high dynamic range essential for TDI.

$10^8 - 10^{11}$ dynamic range

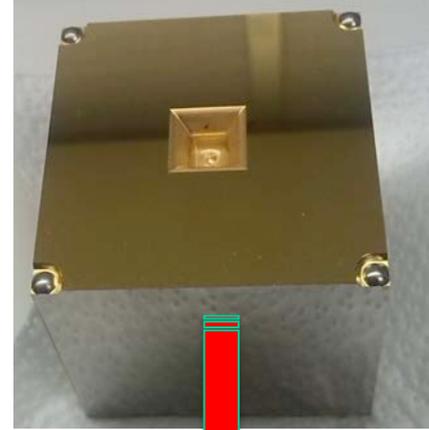
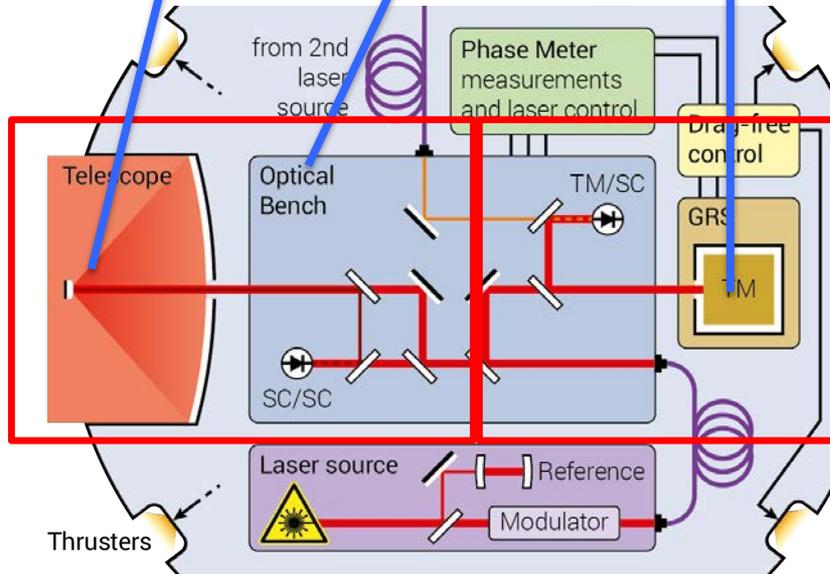
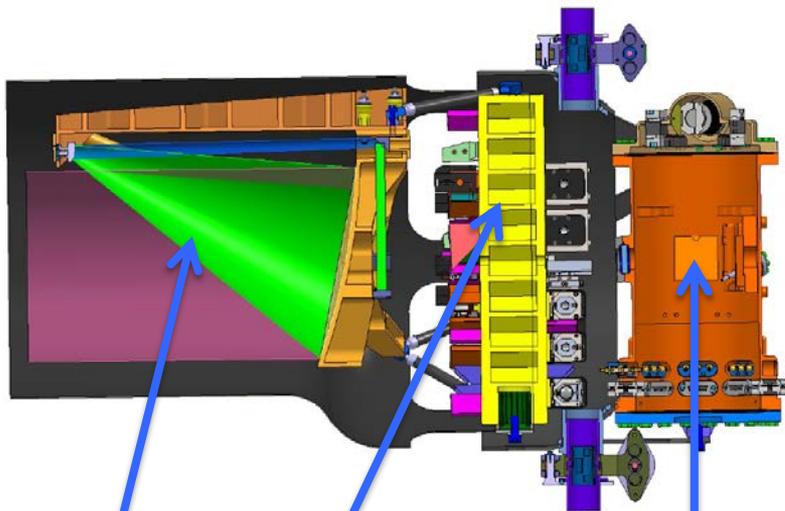
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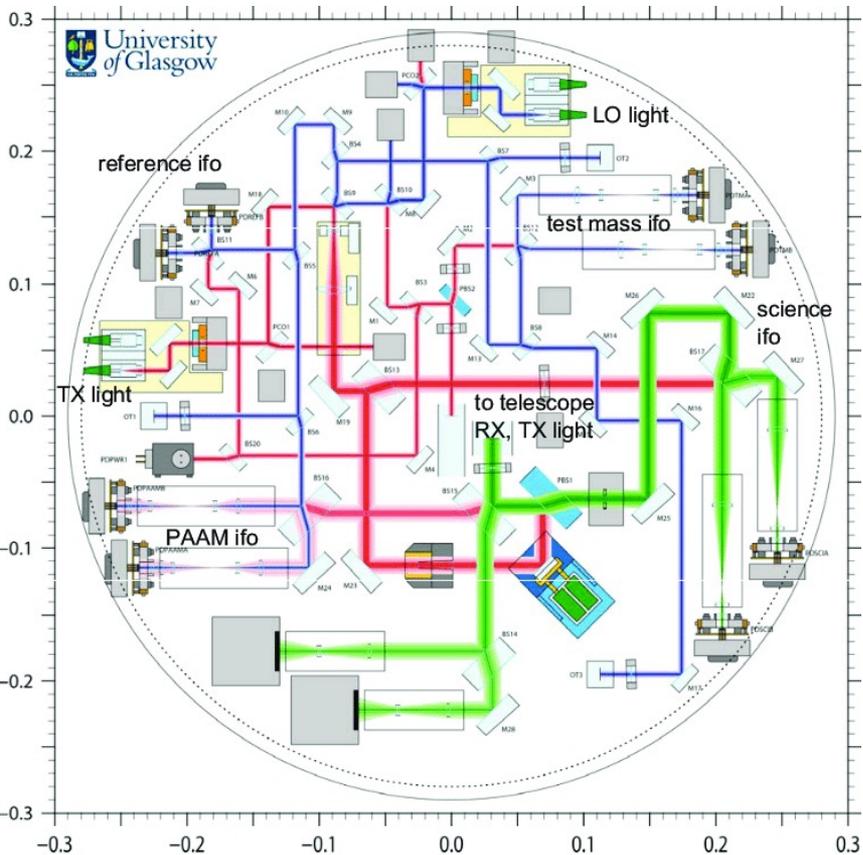


Instrument

- The Gravitational Reference Sensor with the test-mass
- The Optical Bench with:
 - Local interferometer
 - Spacecraft to spacecraft interferometer, including telescope



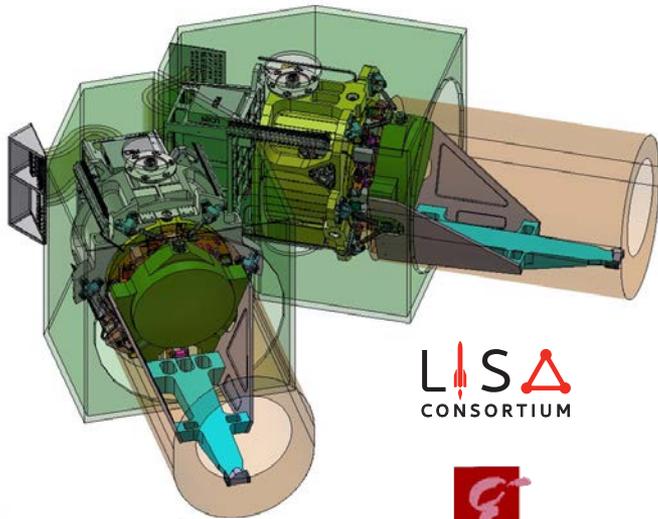
The optical bench



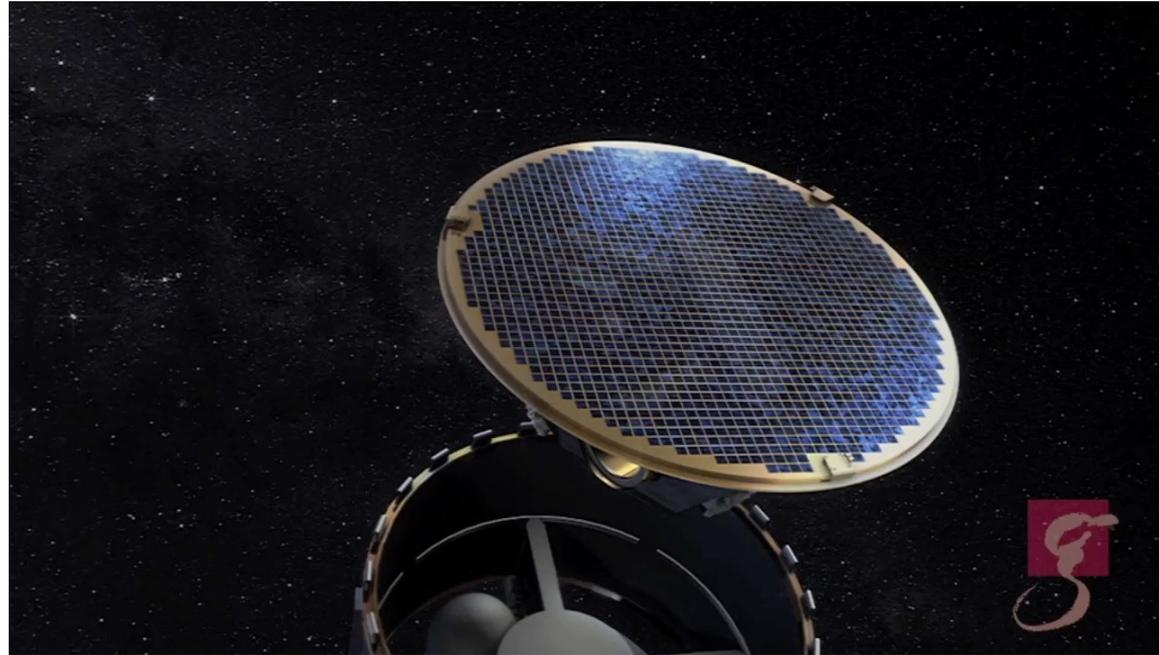
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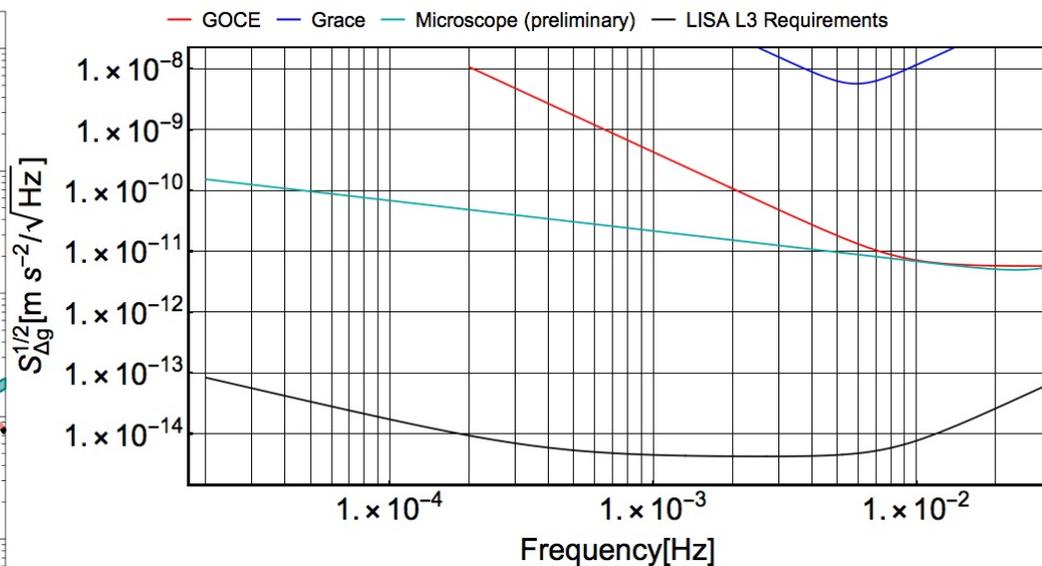
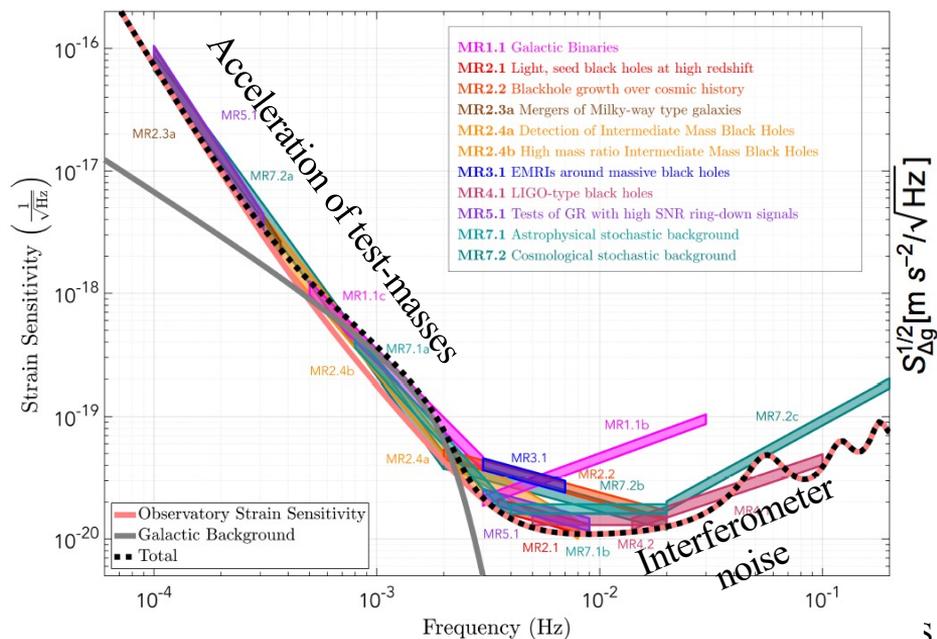
The full complement



LISA
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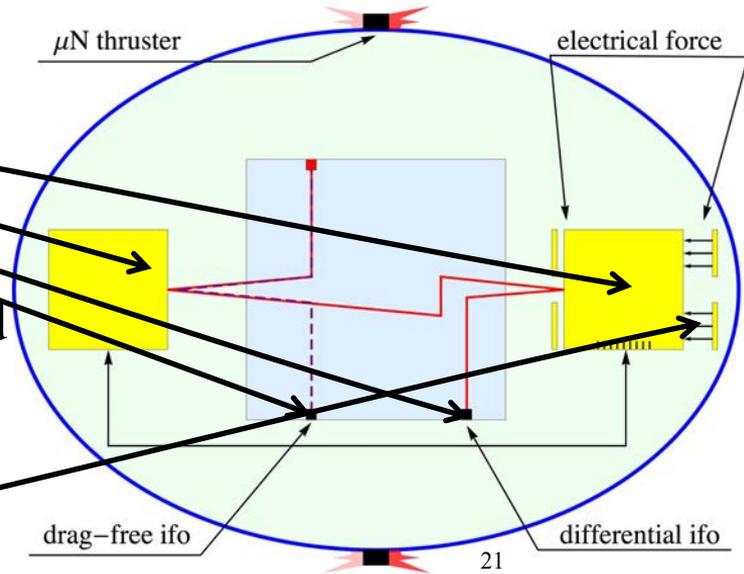
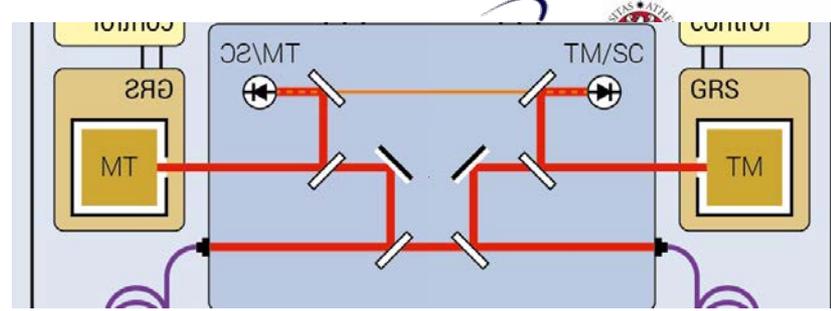
- LISA sensitivity limited at low frequency by acceleration of test-masses
- LISA is a low frequency instrument: much of SNR for most interesting sources accumulated $\lesssim 10$ mHz
- Acceleration noise $\leq \text{femto } g/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- Cannot be demonstrated on ground or in LEO





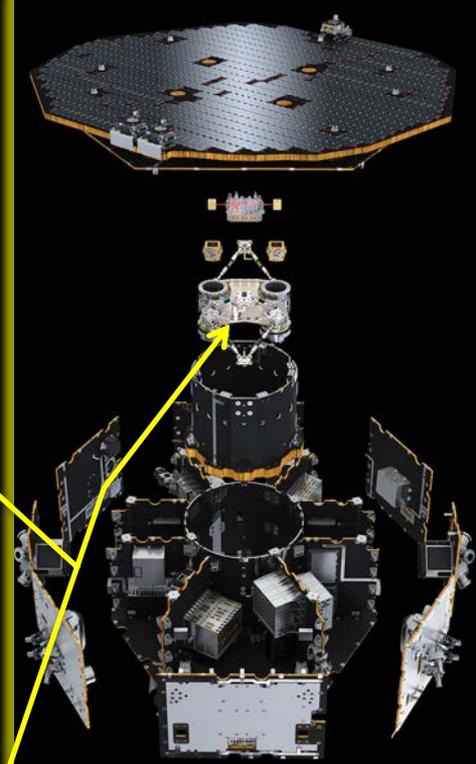
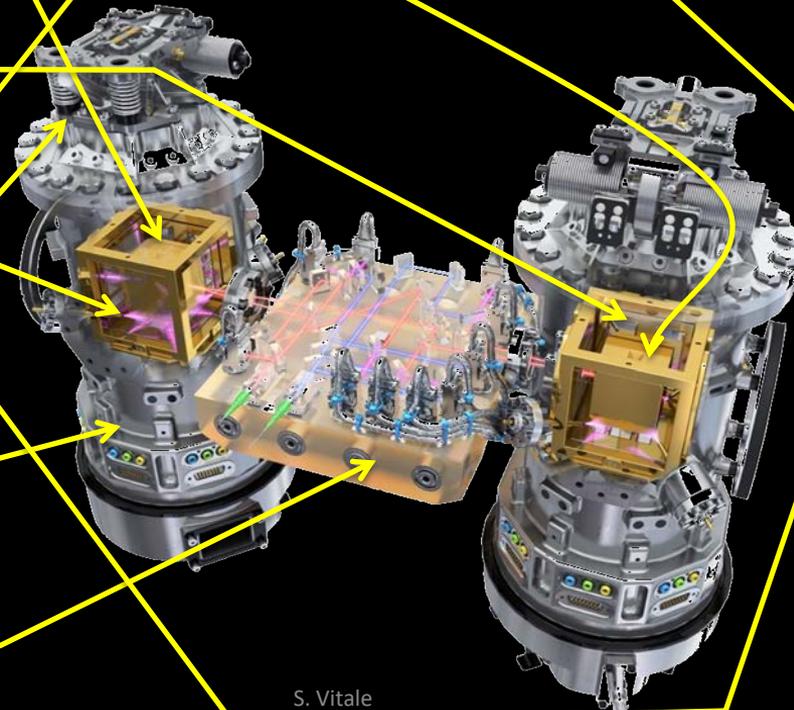
LISA Pathfinder

- Force disturbance is local. Test does not require million km size
- One LISA link inside a single spacecraft (no million km arm)
- 2 TMs,
- 2 Interferometers (Ifo)
- Satellite chases one test-mass
- Contrary to LISA, second test-mass forced to follow the first at very low frequency by electrostatics

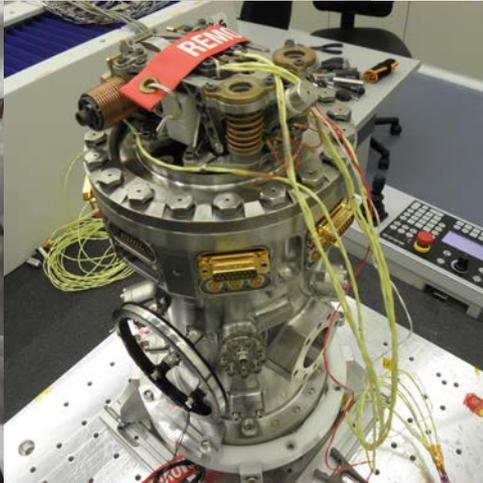
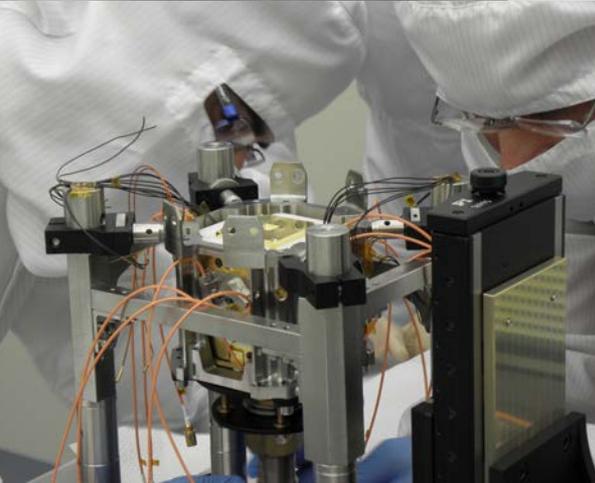
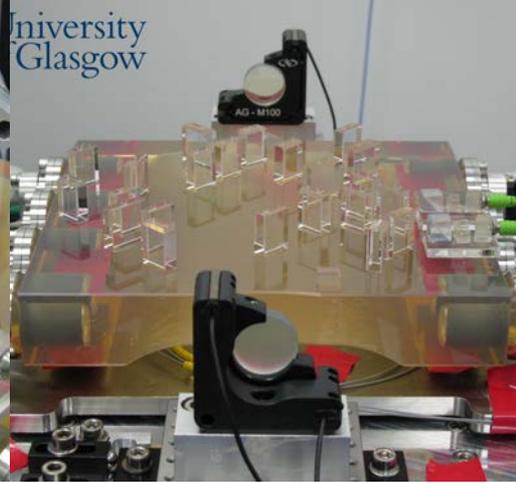
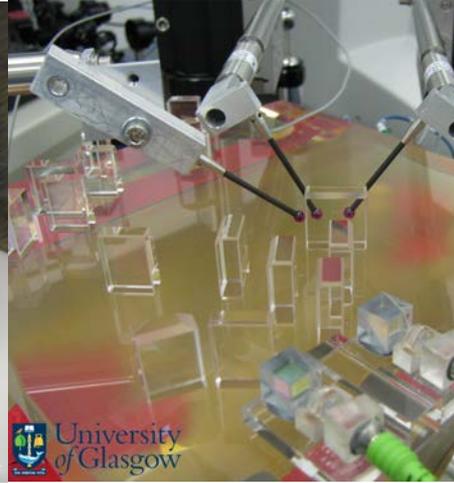
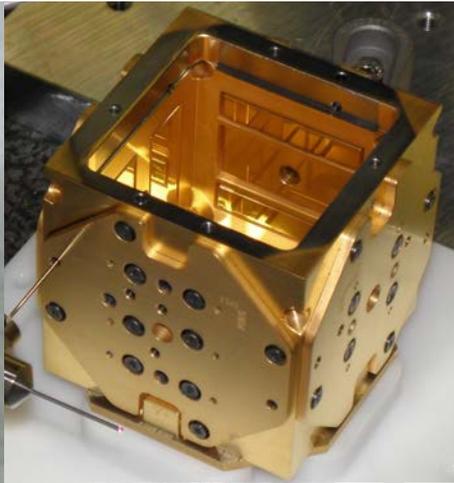
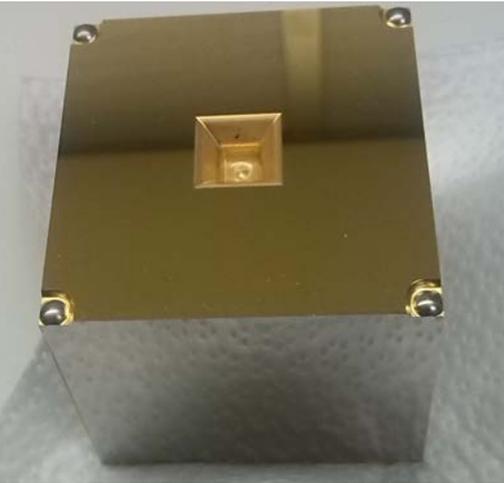


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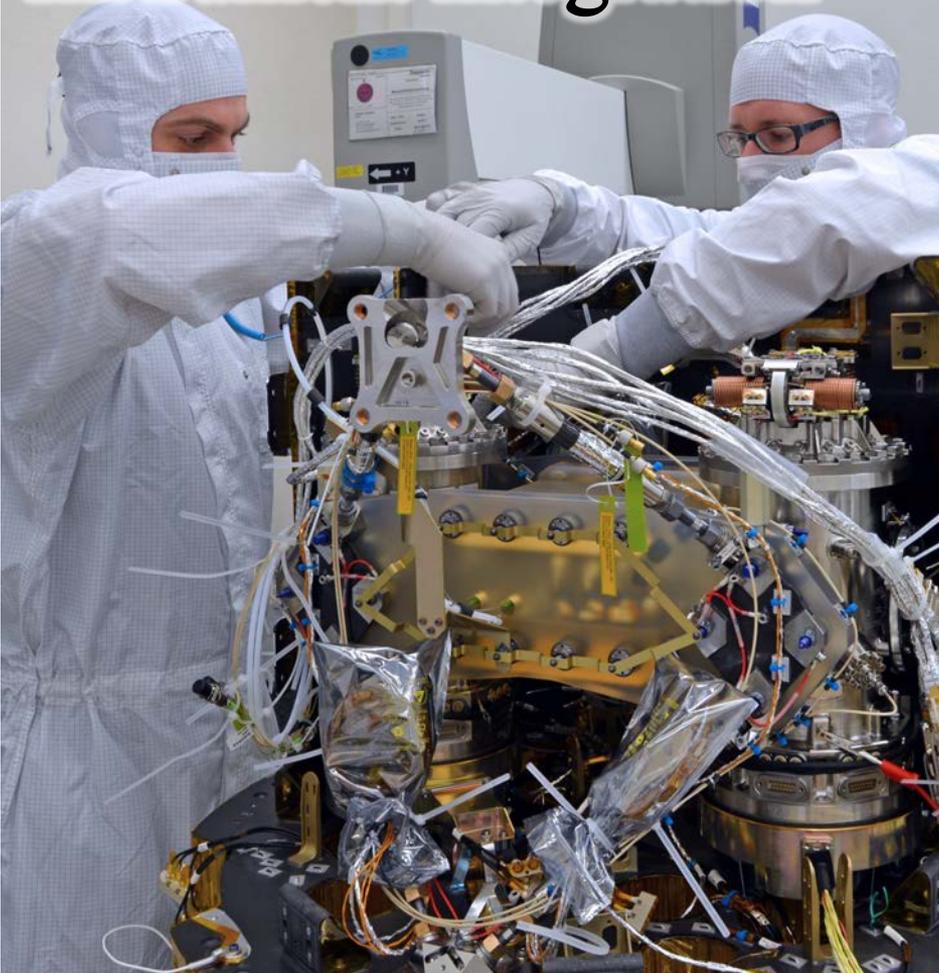
- Test masses gold-platinum, highly non-magnetic, very dense
- Electrode housing: electrodes are used to exert very weak electrostatic force
- UV light, neutralize the charging due to cosmic rays
- Caging mechanism: holds the test-masses and avoid them damaging the satellite at launch
- Vacuum enclosure to handle vacuum on ground
- Ultra high mechanical stability optical bench for the laser interferometer

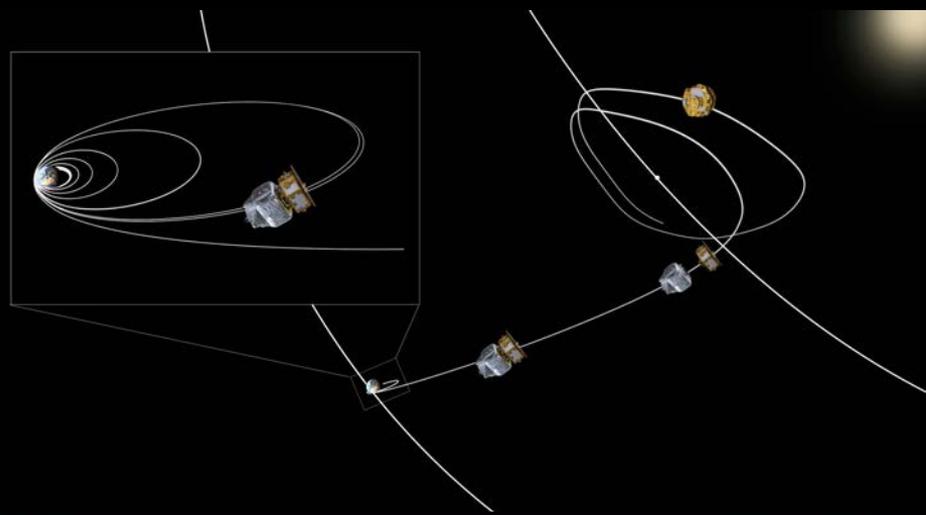
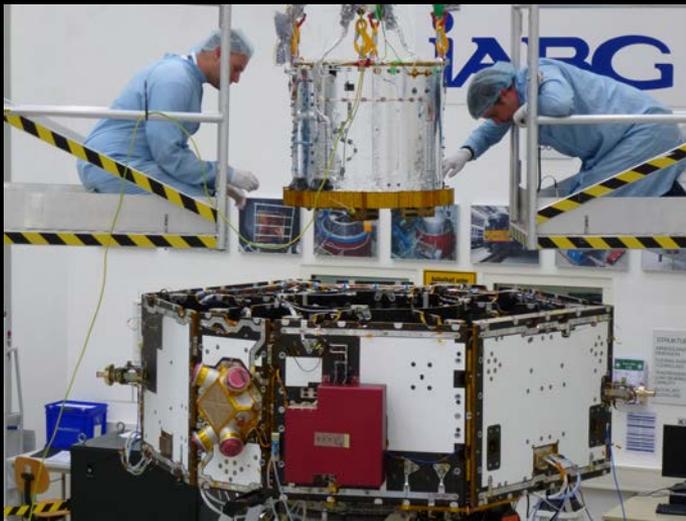


The real H/W



Instrument integration



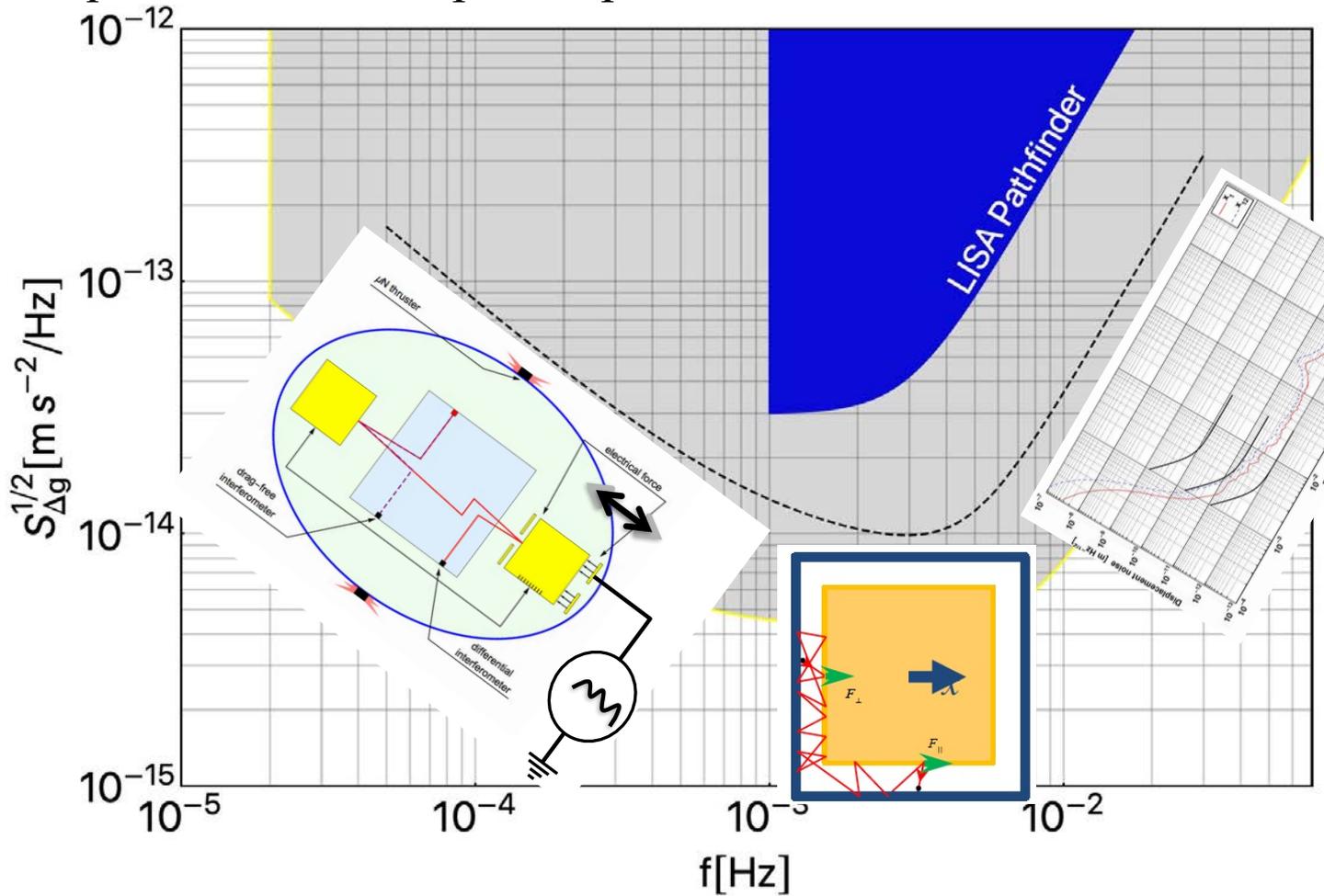


From instrument integration to orbit

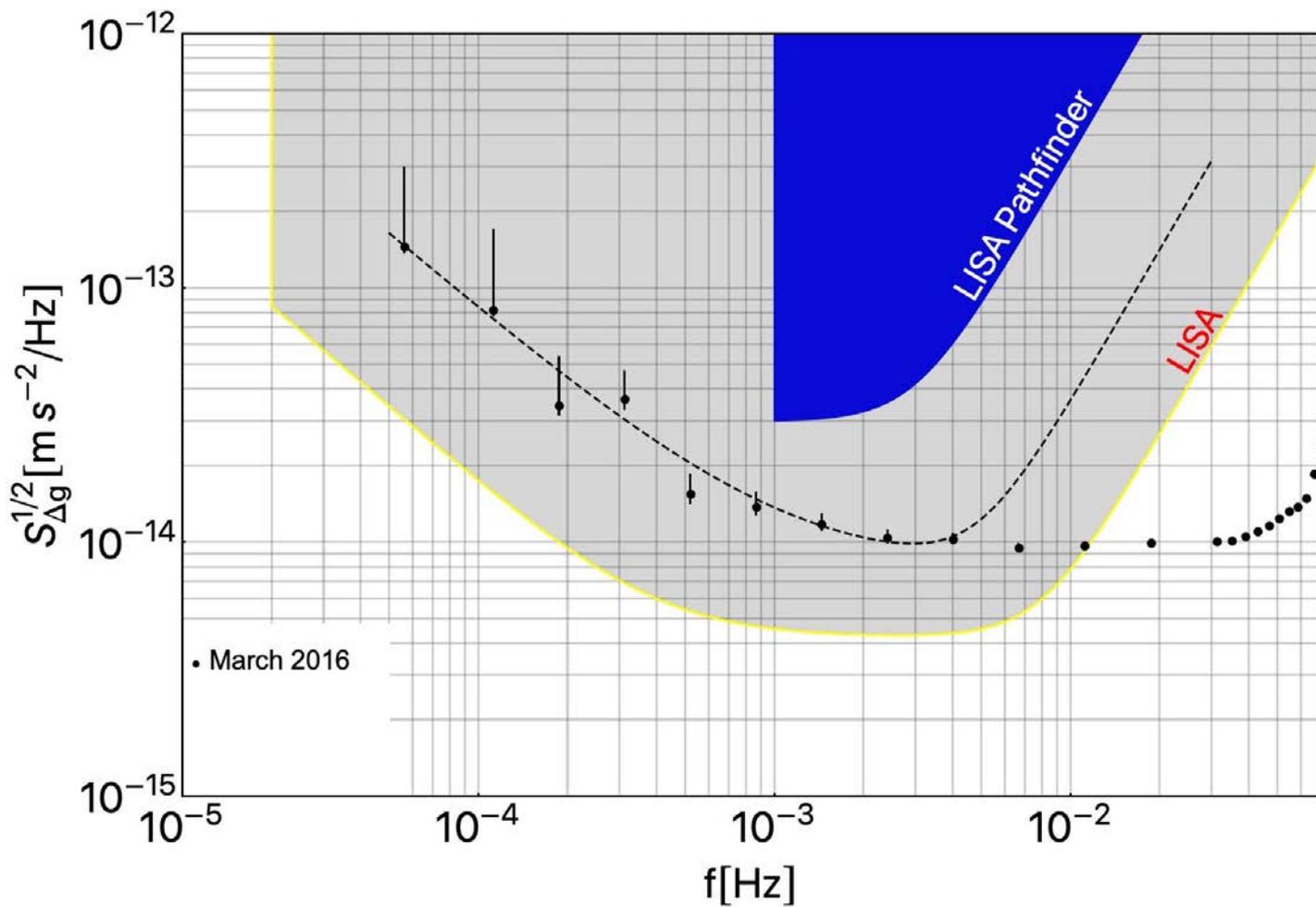


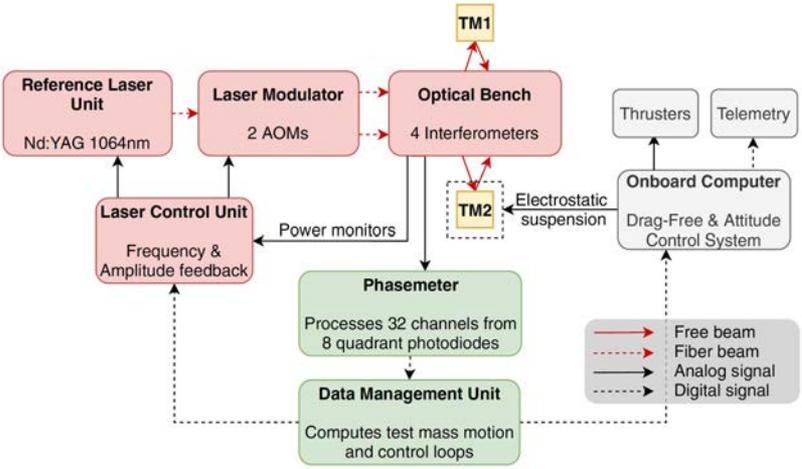
Requirements and expected performance

- Electrostatic actuation noise:
 - For a given voltage source noise, the larger the needed force you set, the larger the force noise.
 - Required force set by accuracy of gravitational balance
- Brownian noise from residual gas:
 - The larger the pressure surrounding the test-mass the larger the noise
- Interferometer readout noise: $\approx 10 \text{ pm}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ as for LISA



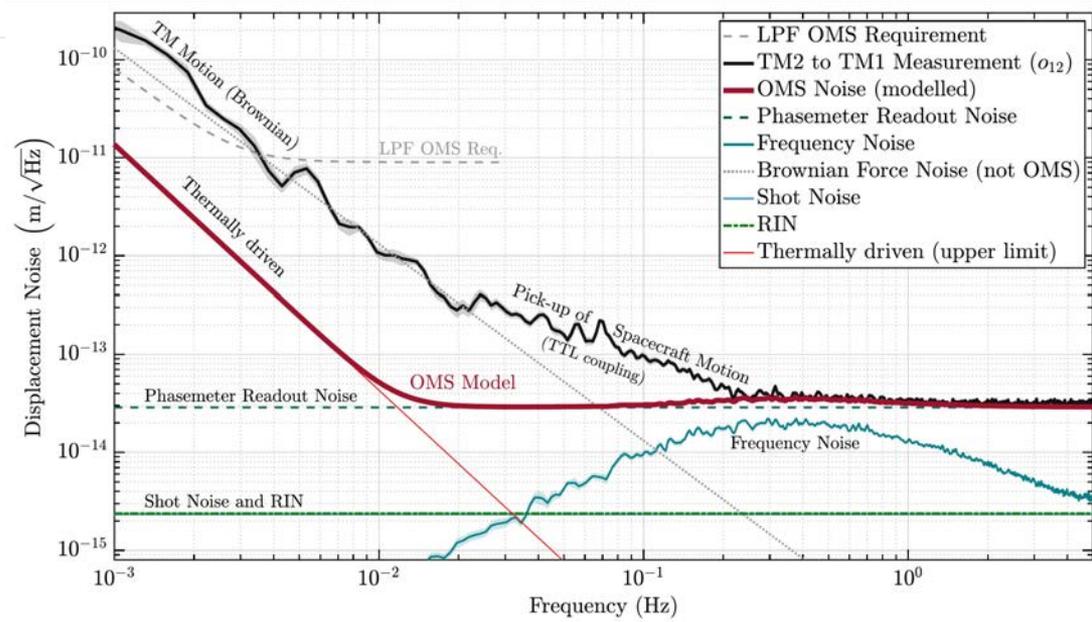
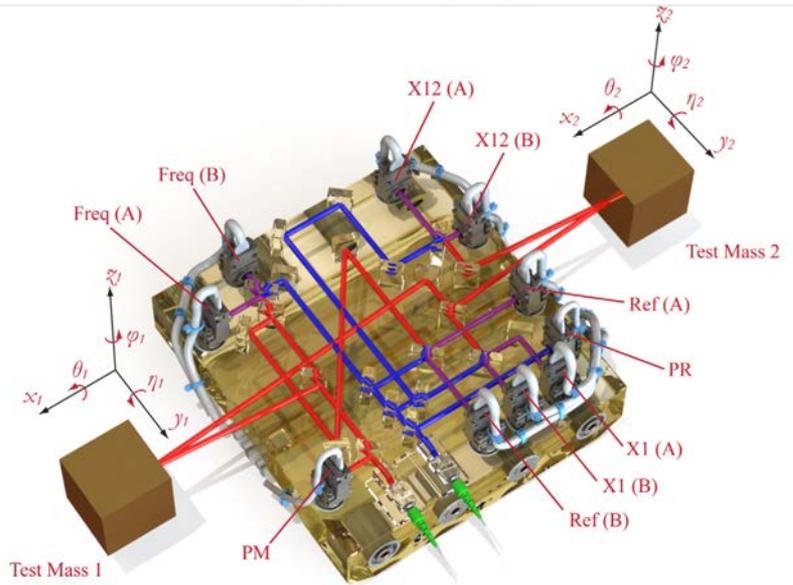
- Close to prediction
- Except for interferometer noise at 35 fm/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ instead of 10 pm/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ we could show on ground!

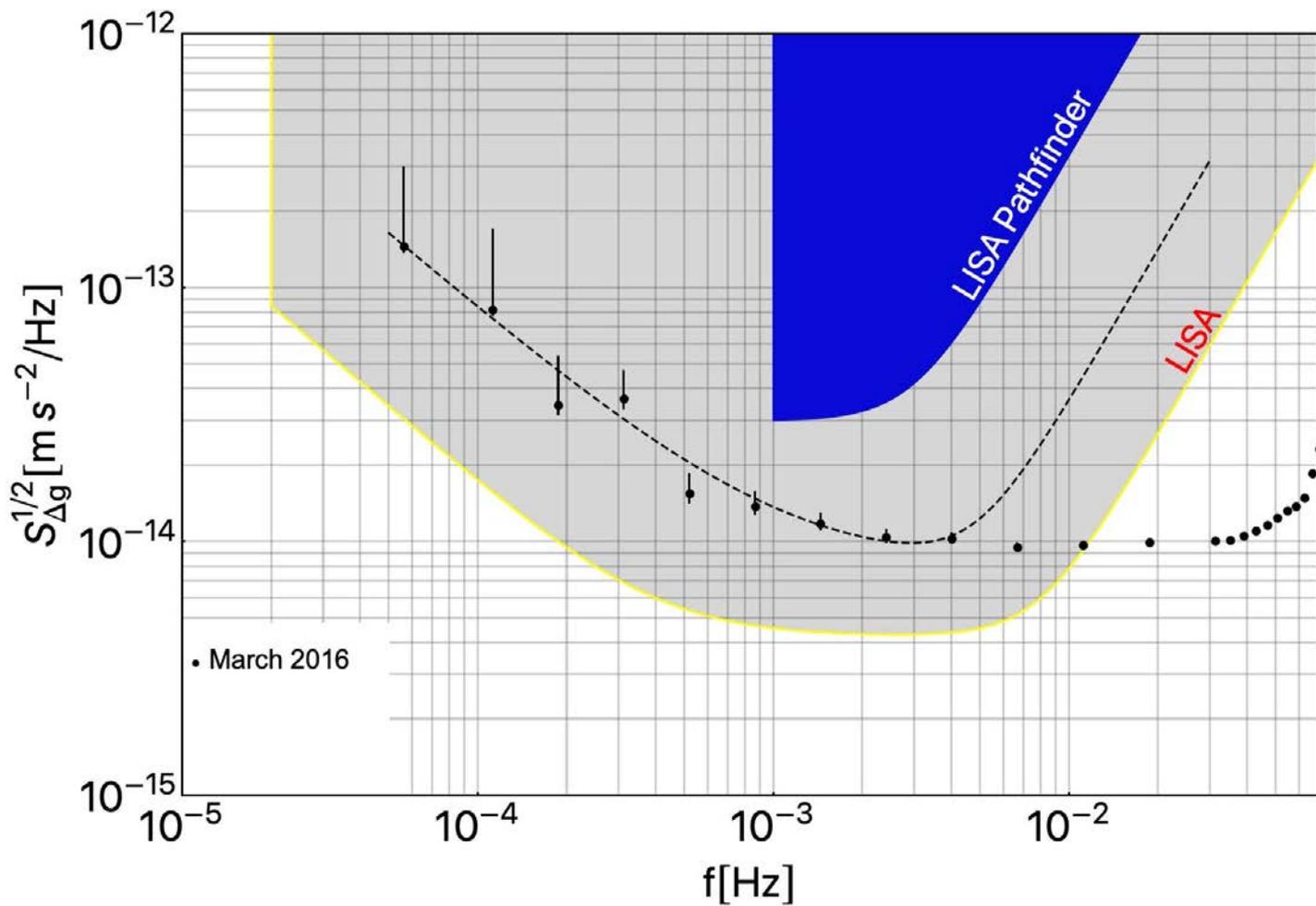




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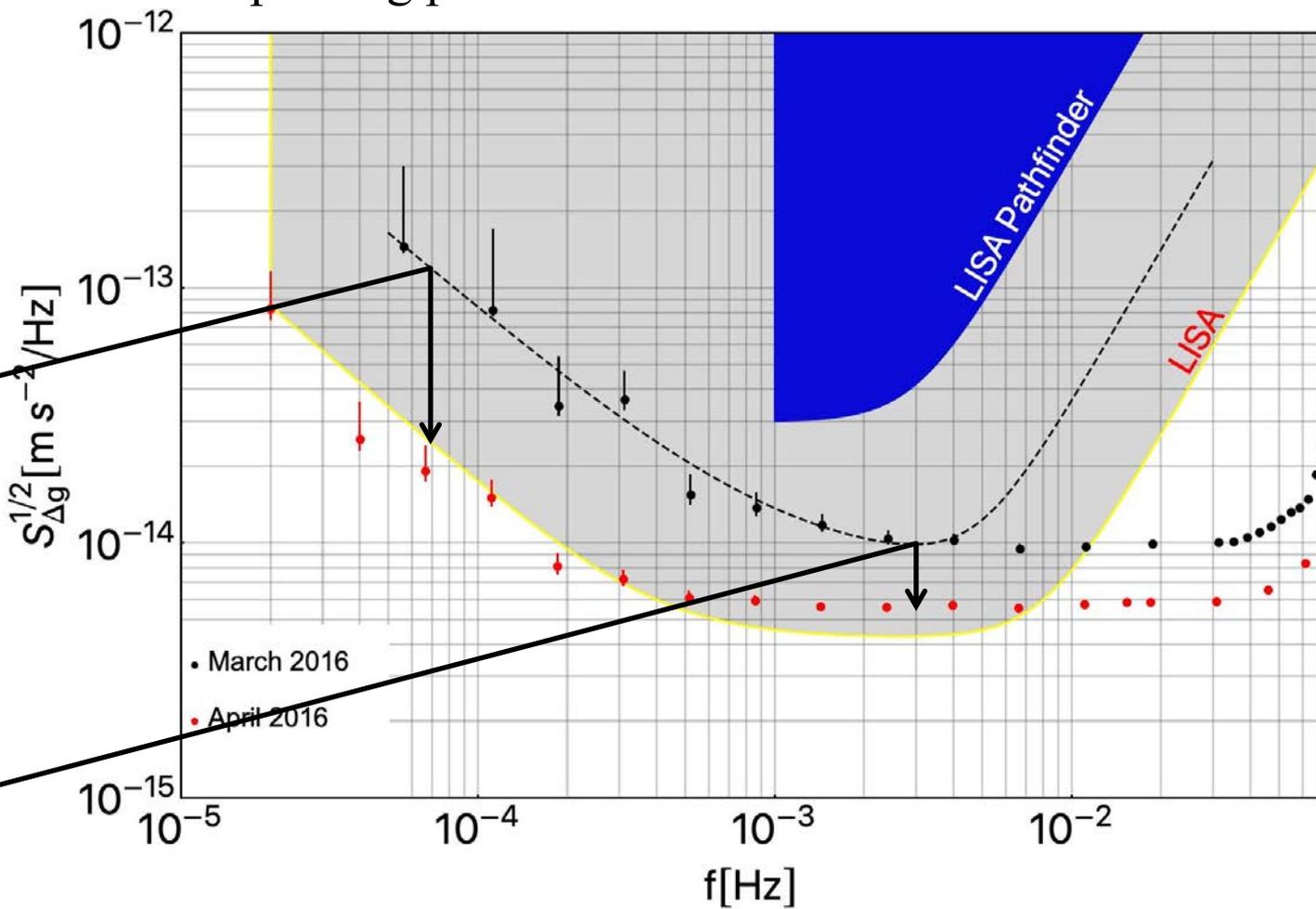
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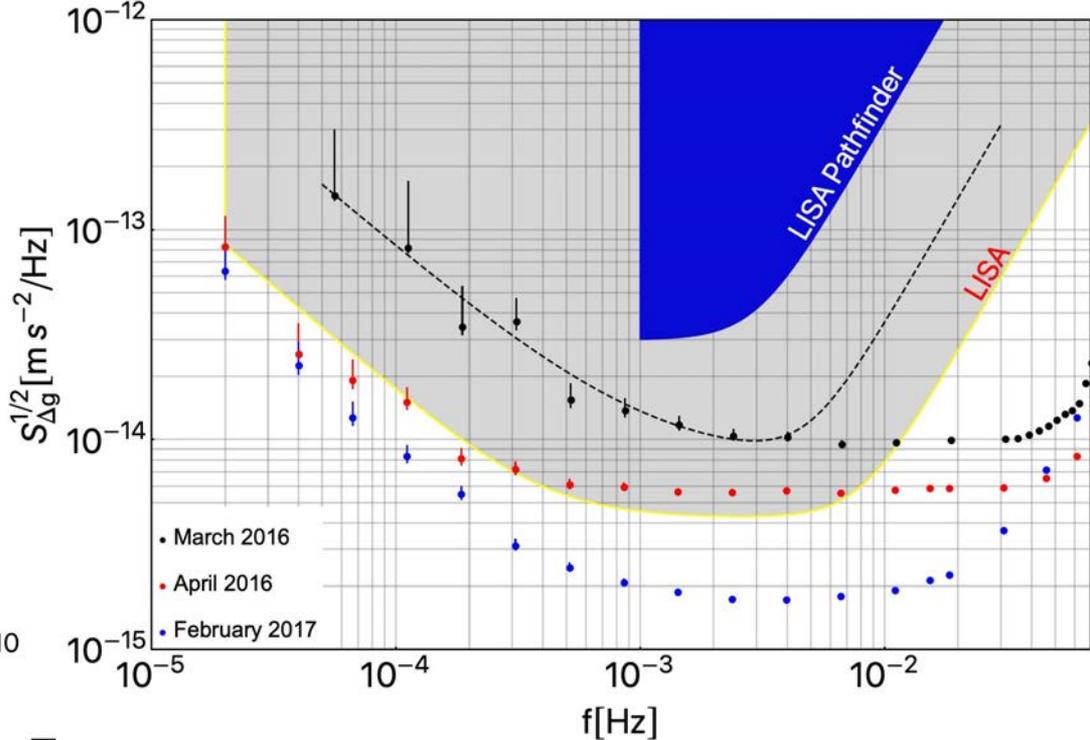
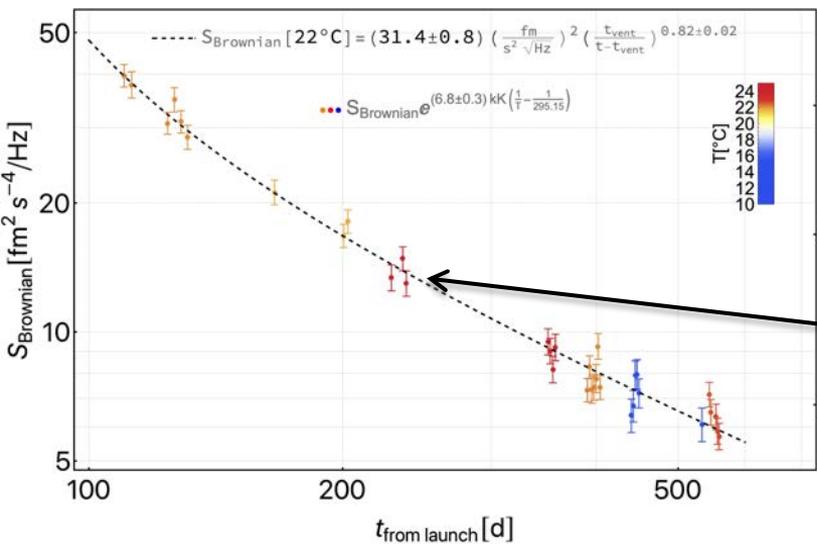


Improving performance

- Gravitation suppression: predicted worst case $\pm 65 \text{ pg}$. Actual 2 pg !
- Brownian noise decreases with pressure as the system is vented to outer space



LISA requirements met with some margin

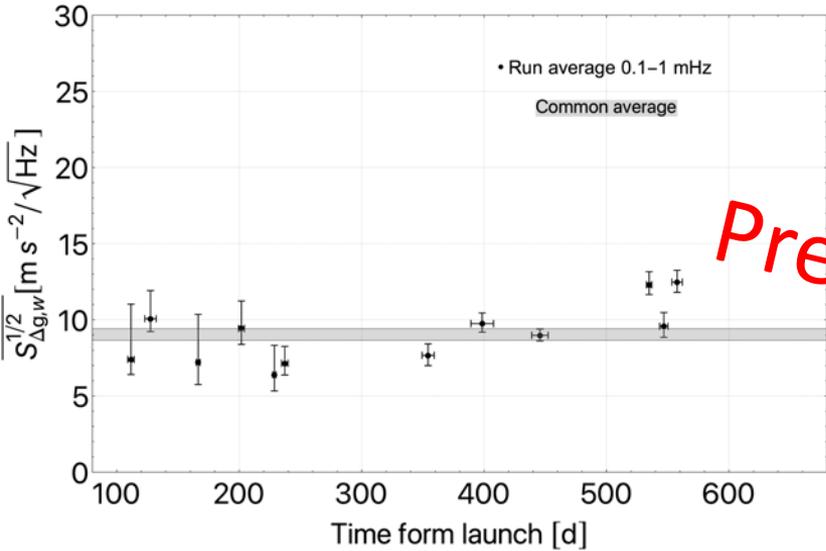


Brownian noise (pressure) vs time throughout the mission

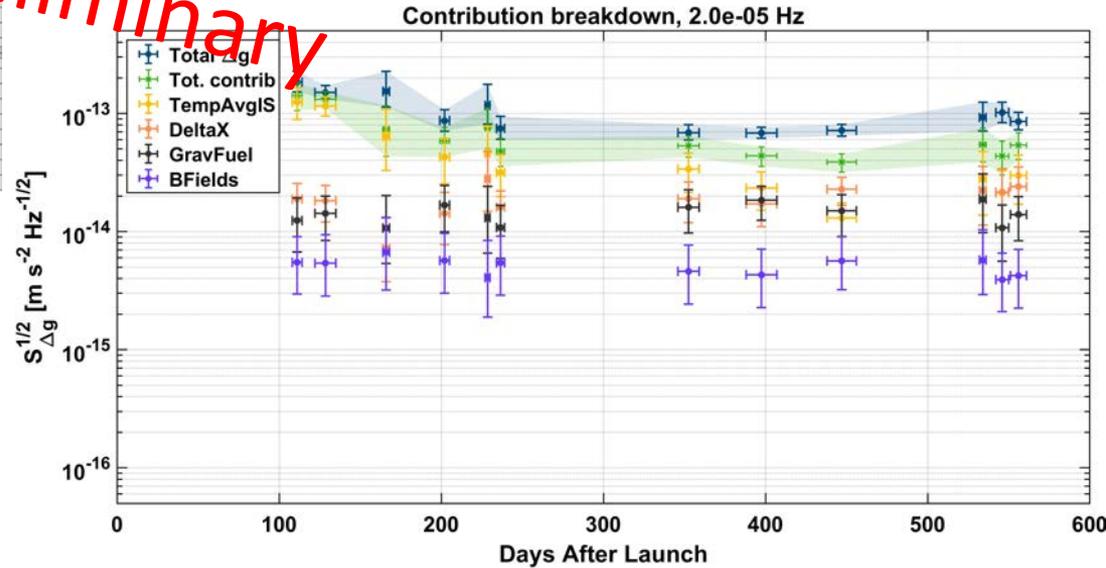
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Understanding the (remarkably stable) residual noise

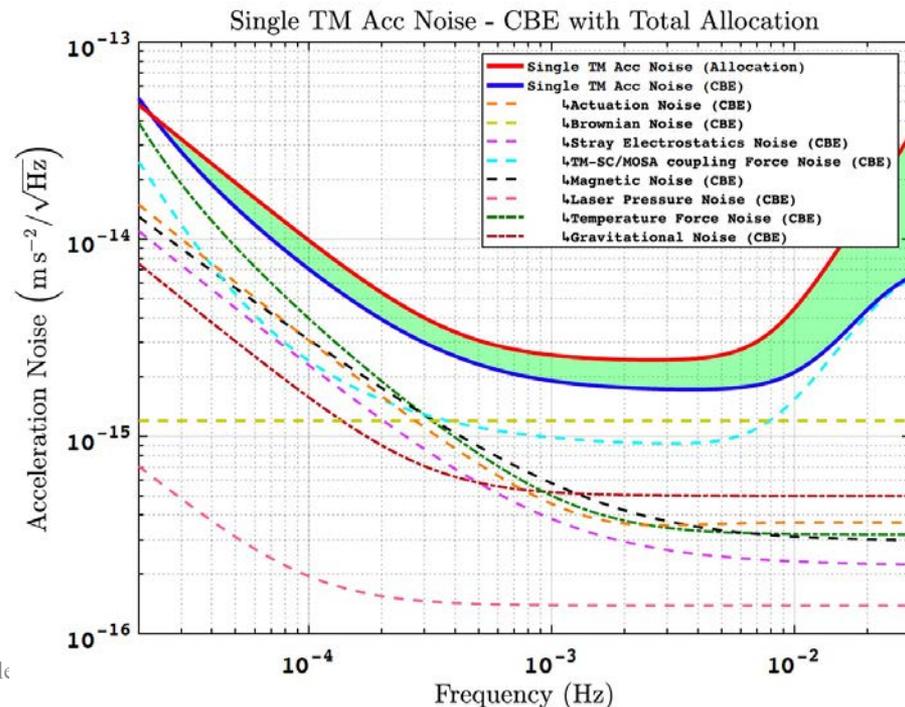
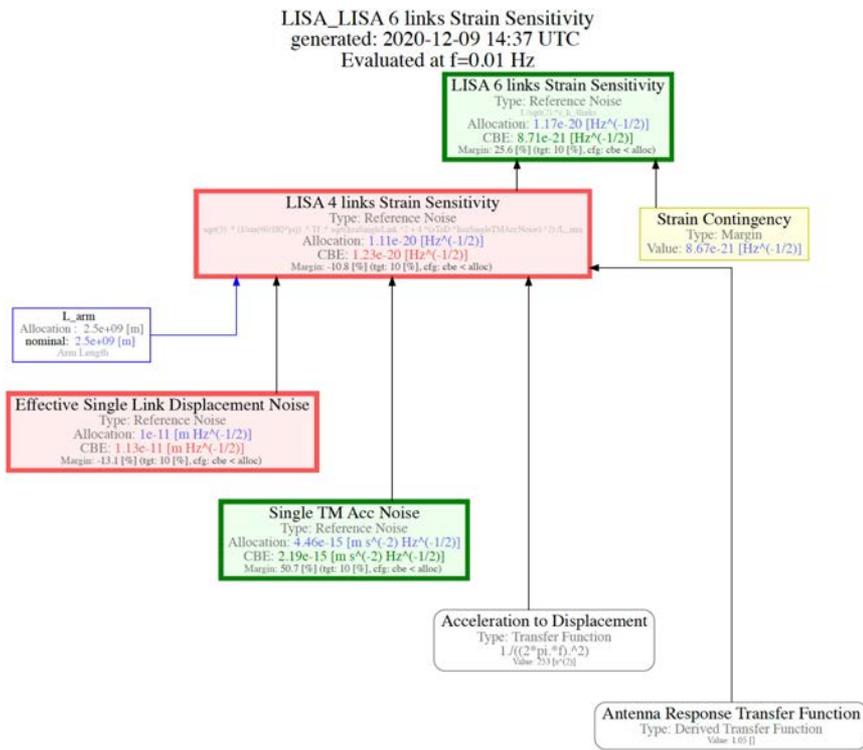


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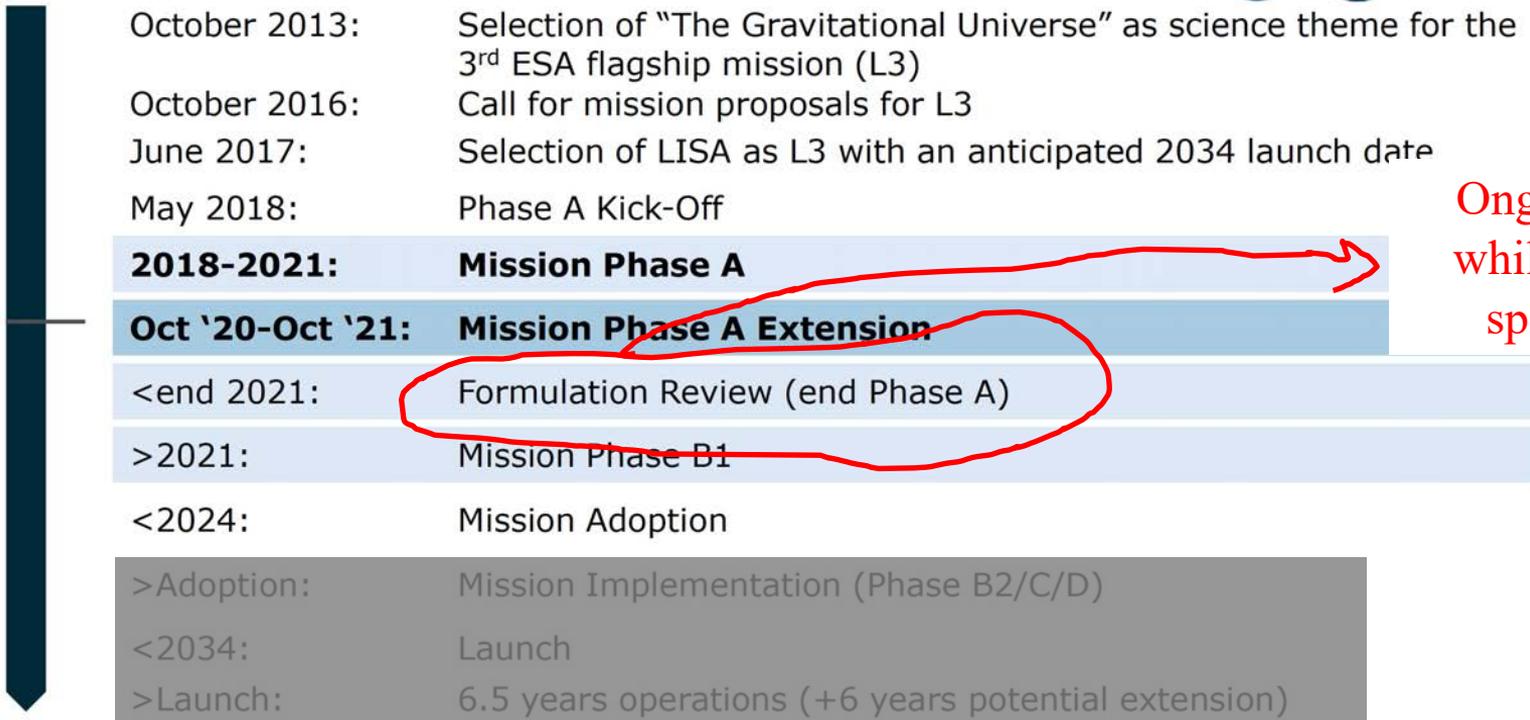
Transferring knowledge to LISA Performance

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LISA marching ahead

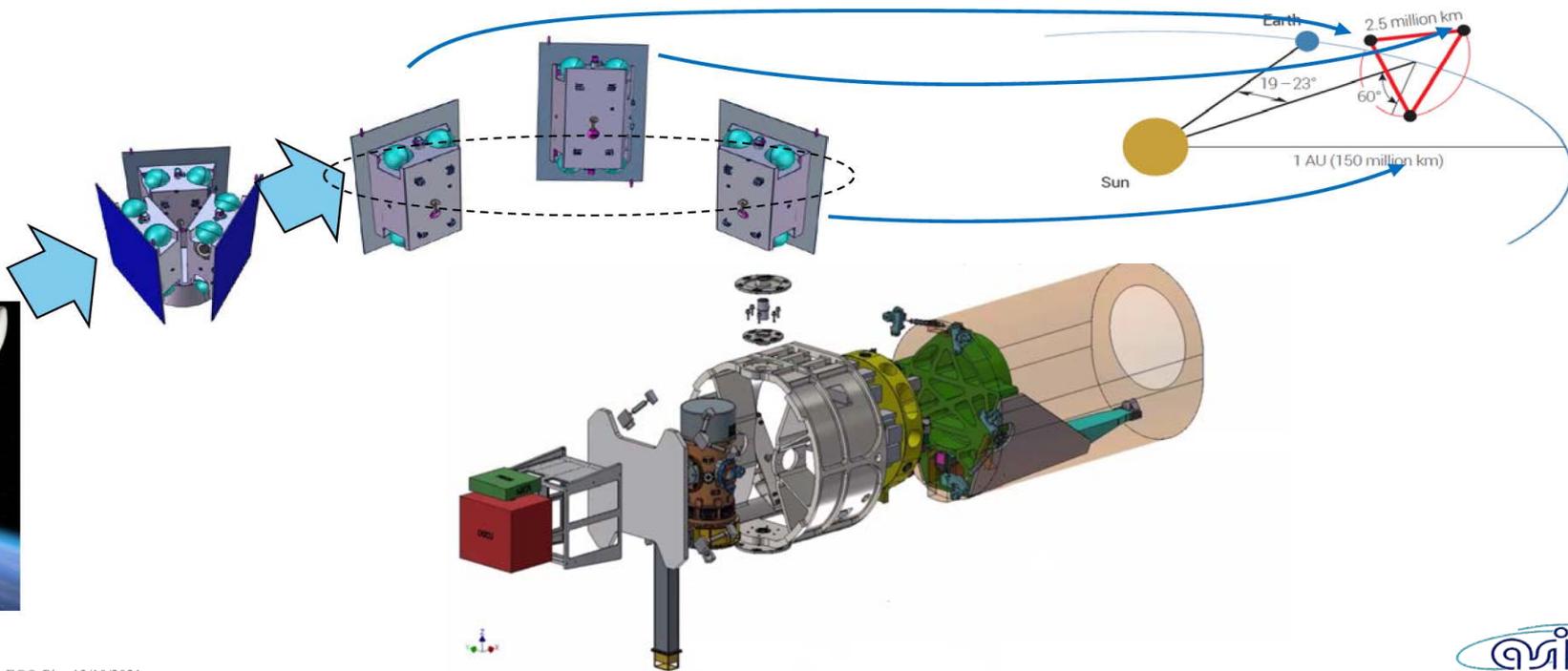
Timeline



Ongoing while we speak

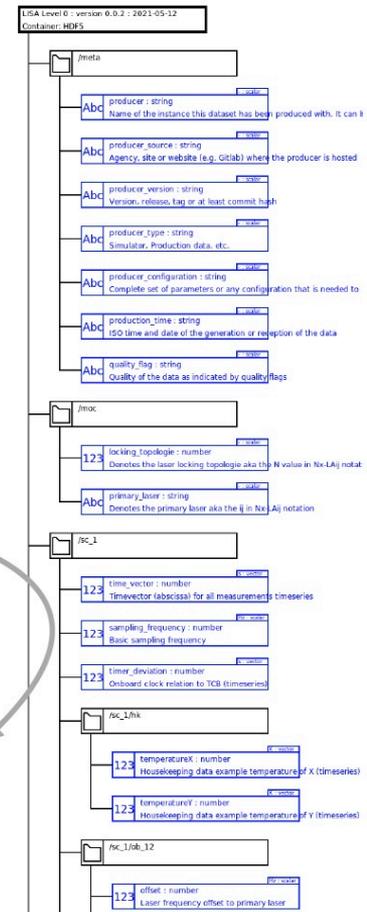
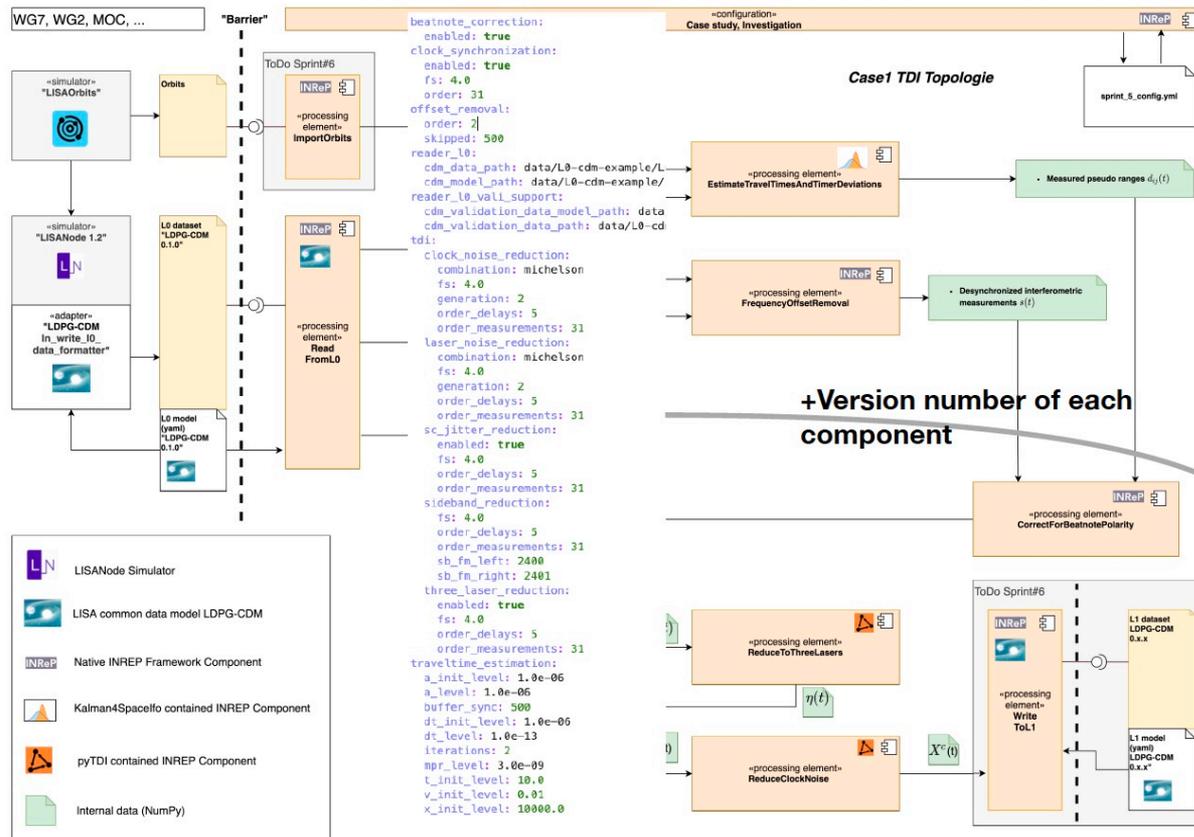
LISA currently in phase A→B1

- Phase-A study competitive: cannot show much!
- A rather stable concept, working out the details



Including non trivial data reduction

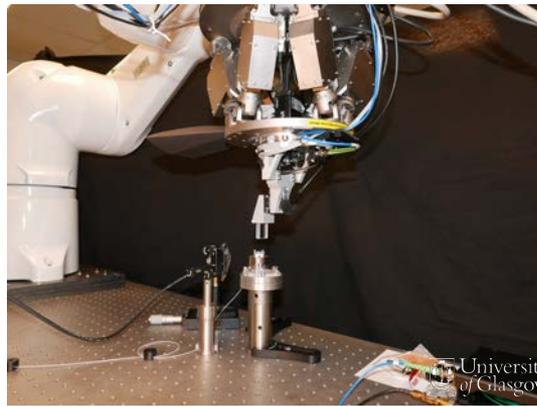
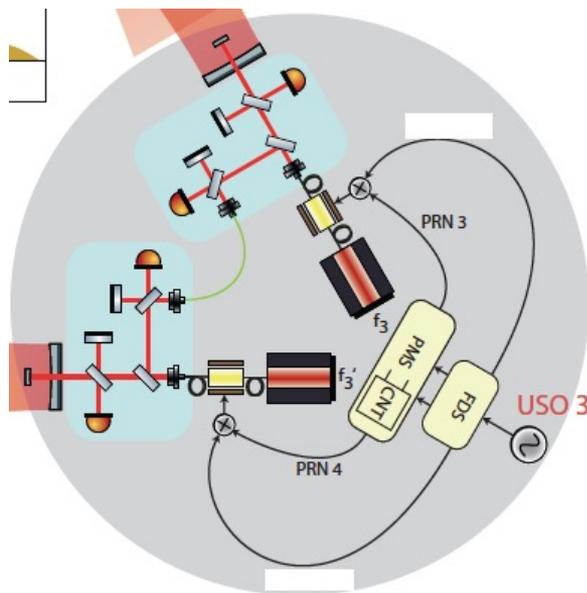
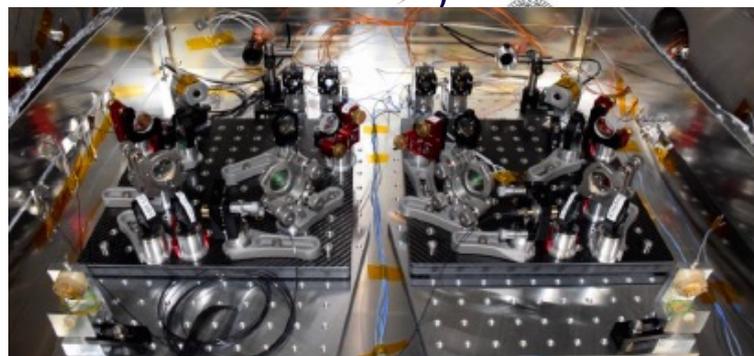
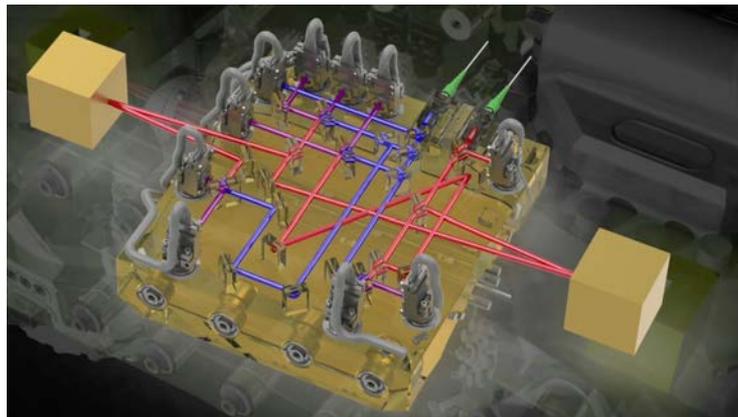
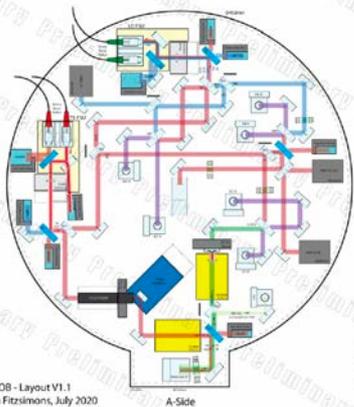
Data provenance and reproducibility



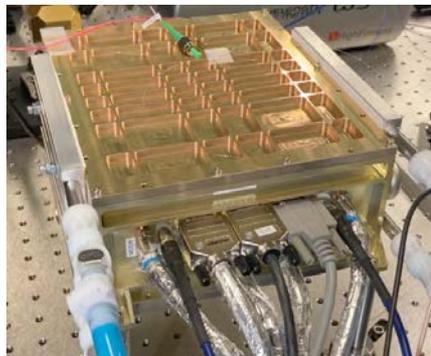
+Version number of each component

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Technology developments (TRL 6 by adoption)



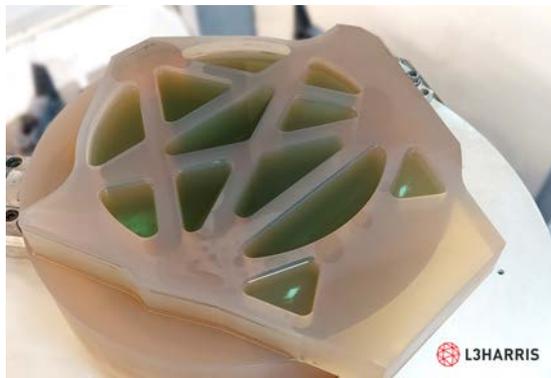
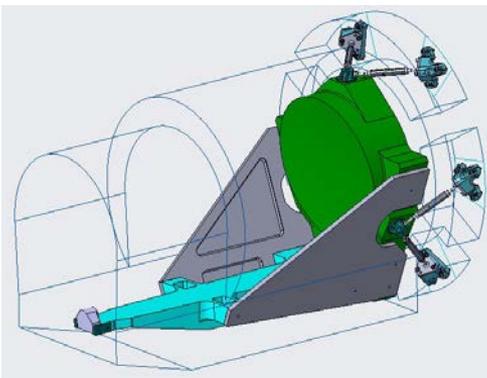
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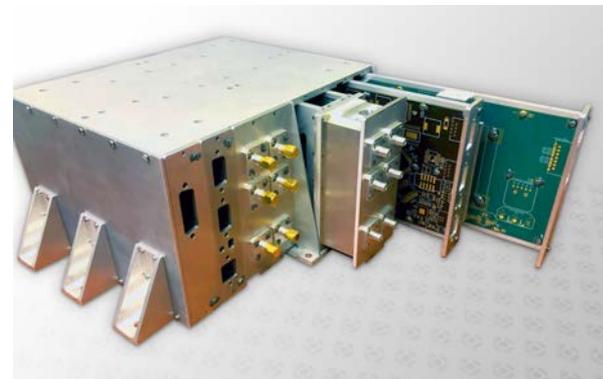
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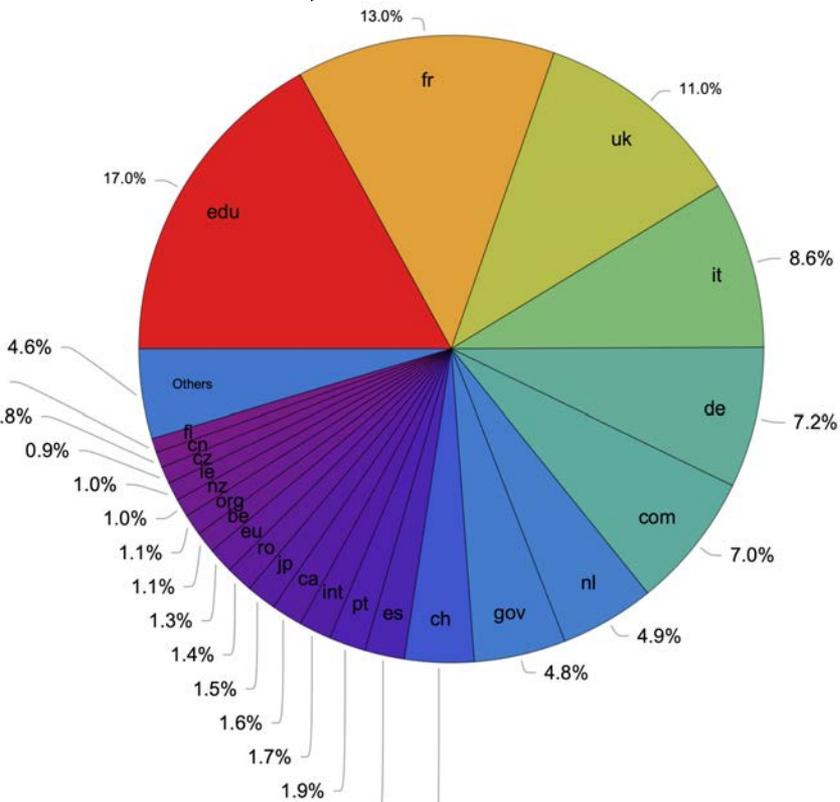
Telescope



Charge management



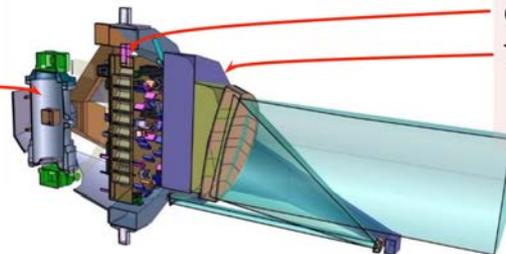
- The LISA Consortium (1437 members)



MOSA: moving optical sub-assembly

Gravitational reference system

- GRS head
- + electronics
- + UV light source



Optical metrology system

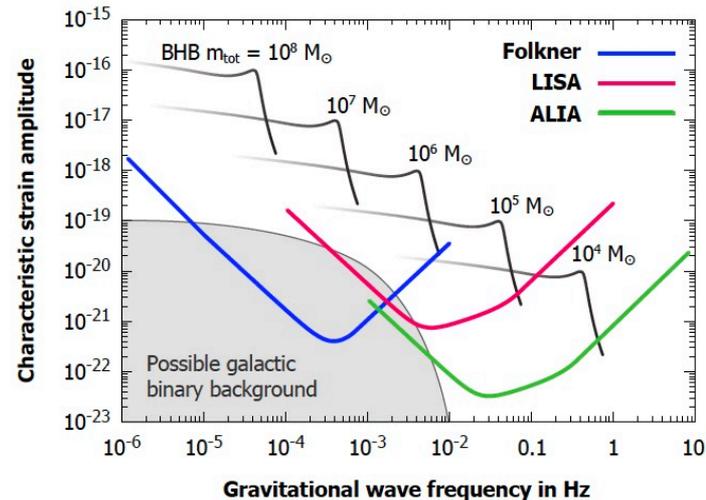
- Optical bench
- Telescope
- + phasemeter
- + laser

- + consortium lead
- + integration and testing
- + diagnostics/data
- +

Beyond LISA

- Planning for the future

- **New Physical Probes of the Early Universe.** How did the Universe begin? How did the first cosmic structures and black holes form and evolve? These are outstanding questions in fundamental physics and astrophysics, and we now have new astronomical messengers that can address them. Our recommendation is for a Large mission deploying gravitational wave detectors or precision microwave spectrometers to explore the early Universe at large redshifts. This theme follows the breakthrough science from *Planck* and the expected scientific return from *LISA*.





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