

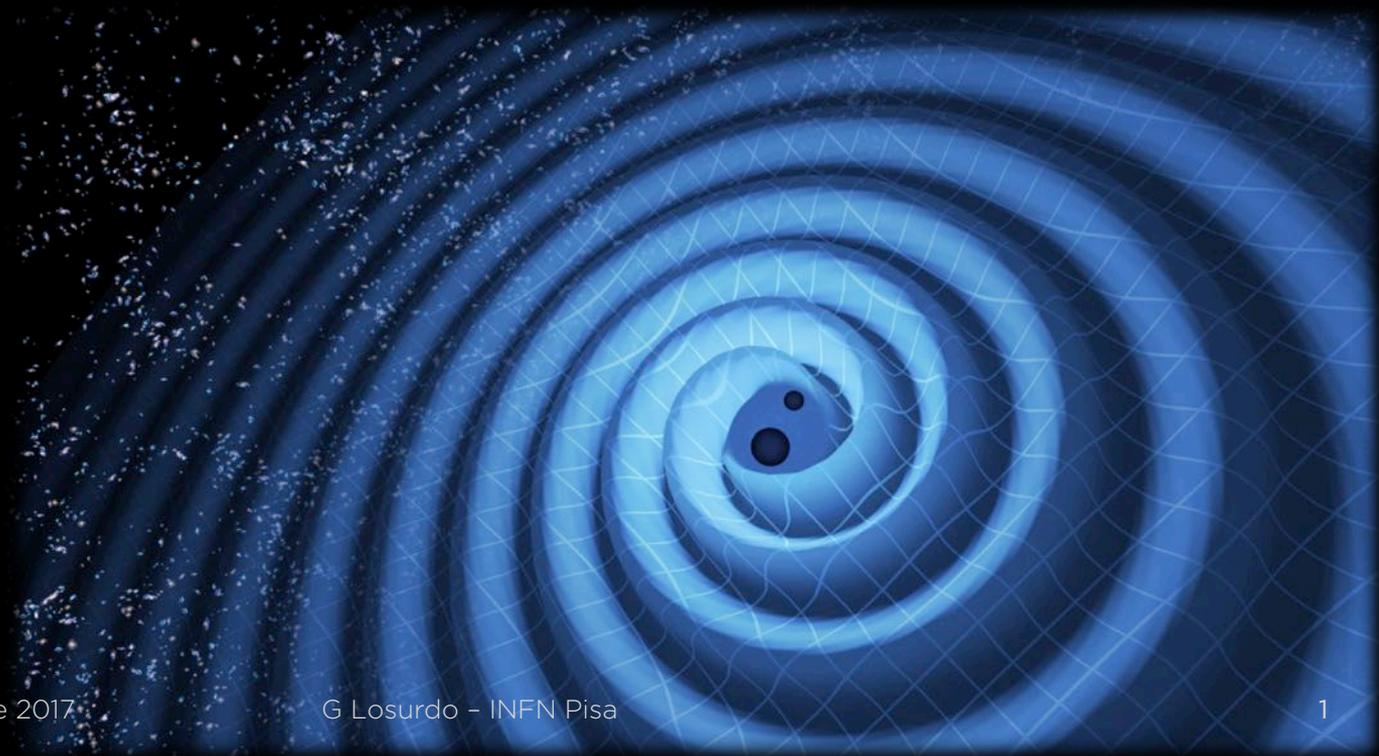
# ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI

una NUOVA

FINESTRA

sull'UNIVERSO

Giovanni Losurdo - INFN Pisa





**2015**  
**CENTENARIO DELLA RELATIVITA' GENERALE**

**NASCITA DELL'ASTRONOMIA  
GRAVITAZIONALE?**

**I Cieli di Brera  
16 novembre 2011**

17 AGOSTO...130 MILIONI DI ANNI FA

Credit: NASA Astrophysics

# IL CONTESTO

# SIDEREUS NUNCIUS (1610)



## SIDEREVS NUNCIVS

MAGNA, LONGEQVE ADMIRABILIA  
Spectacula pandens, suspiciendaque proponens  
vnicuique, praesertim verò

PHILOSOPHIS, atq; ASTRONOMIS, qua à  
GALILEO GALILEO  
PATRITIO FLORENTINO  
Patauini Gymnasij Publico Mathematico  
PERSPICILLI

Nuper à se reperti beneficio sunt obseruata in LVNÆ FACIE, FIXIS IN  
NUMERIS, LACTEO CIRCVLO, STELLIS NEBVLOSIS,

Apprime verò in  
QVATVOR PLANETIS  
Circa IOVIS Stellam disparibus interuallis, atque periodis, celestis  
tate mirabili circumuolutis; quos, nemini in hanc vsque  
diem cognitos, nouissimè Author depræ-  
hendit primus; atque

MEDICEA SIDERA  
NUNCVPANDOS DECREVIT.



VENETIIS, Apud Thomam Baglionum. M DC X.  
Superiorum Permissu, & Privilegio.

### OBSERVAT. SIDEREAE

Ori.

\* \* ○ \*

Occ.

Stella occidentaliori maior, ambæ tamen valdè conspicuæ, ac splendidæ: vtra quæ distabat à Ioue scrupulis primis duobus; tertia quoque Stellula apparere cepit hora tertia prius minime conspecta, quæ ex parte orientali Iouem ferè tangebatur, eratque admodum exigua. Omnes fuerunt in eadem recta, & secundum Eclipticæ longitudinem coordinatæ.

Die decimatertia primum à me quatuor conspectæ fuerunt Stellulæ in hac ad Iouem constitutione. Erant tres occidentales, & vna orientalis; lineam proximè

Ori.

\* ○ \*\*

Occ.

rectam constituebant; media enim occidentaliu paululum à recta Septentrionem versus deflectebatur. Aberrat orientaliôr à Ioue minuta duo: reliquarum, & Iouis intercapedines erant singulæ vnius tantum minuti. Stellæ omnes eandem præ se ferebant magnitudinem; ac licet exiguam, lucidissimæ tamen erant, ac fixis eiusdem magnitudinis longe splendidiore.

Die decimaquarta nubilosa fuit tempestas.

Die decimaquinta, hora noctis tertia in proximè depicta fuerunt habitudine quatuor Stellæ ad Iouem;

Ori.

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Occ.

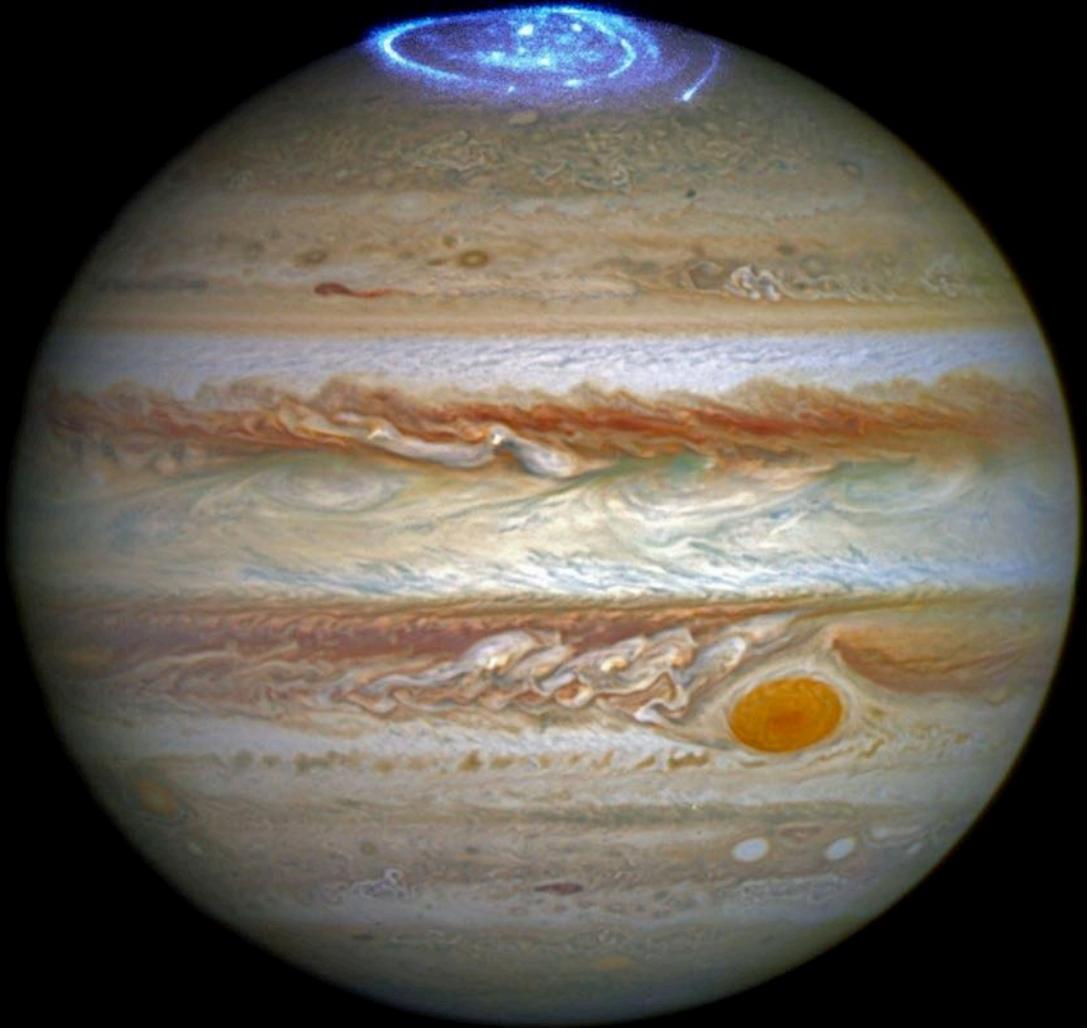


Credit: NASA

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Ori.	*	*	○	*	Occ.
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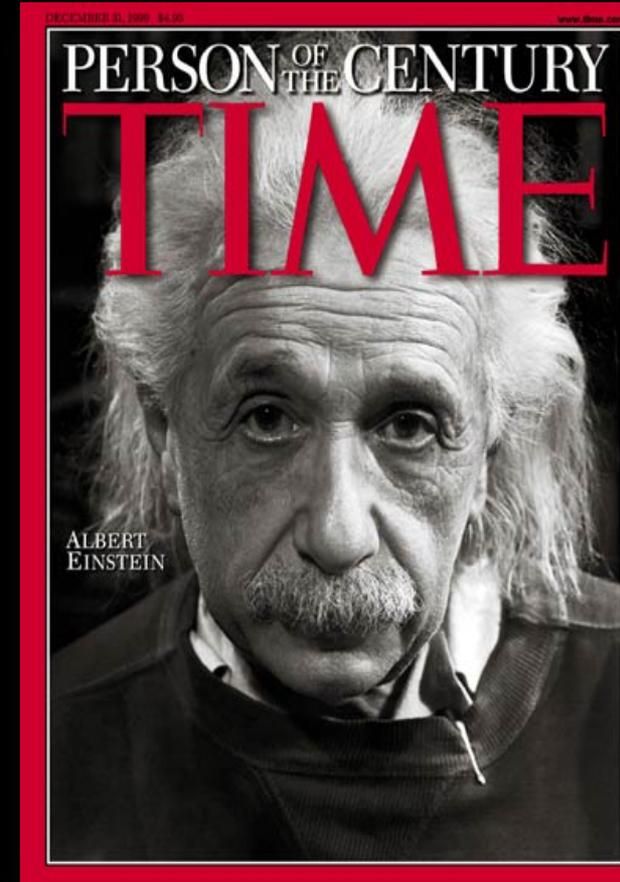
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# RELATIVITA' GENERALE (1915)

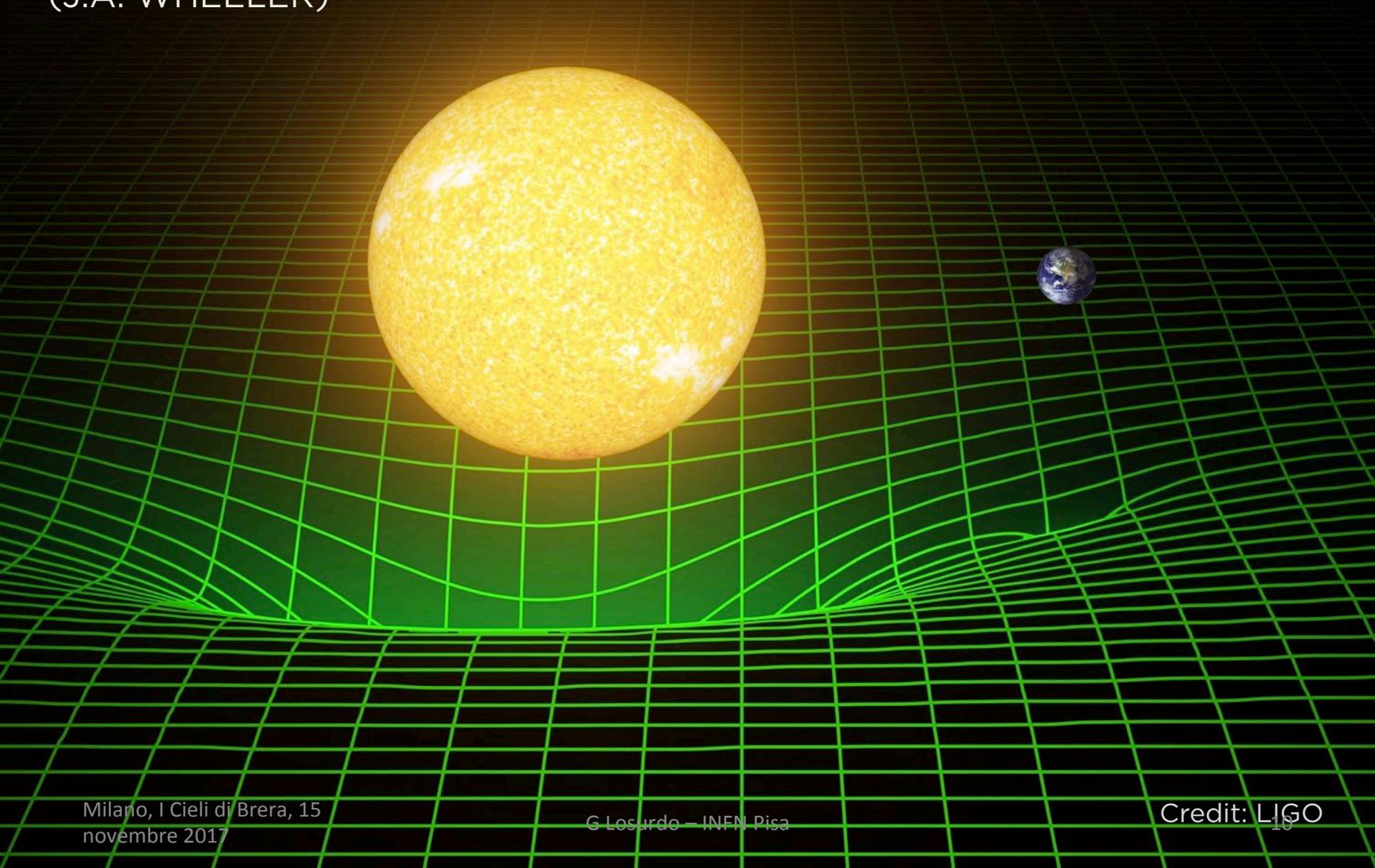
$$\mathbf{G}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} \mathbf{T}_{\mu\nu}$$

GEOMETRIA  
SPAZIO-TEMPO

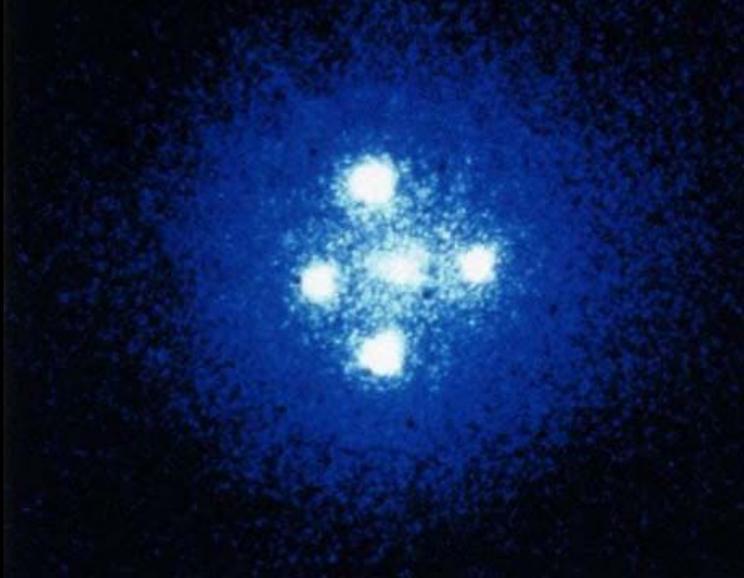
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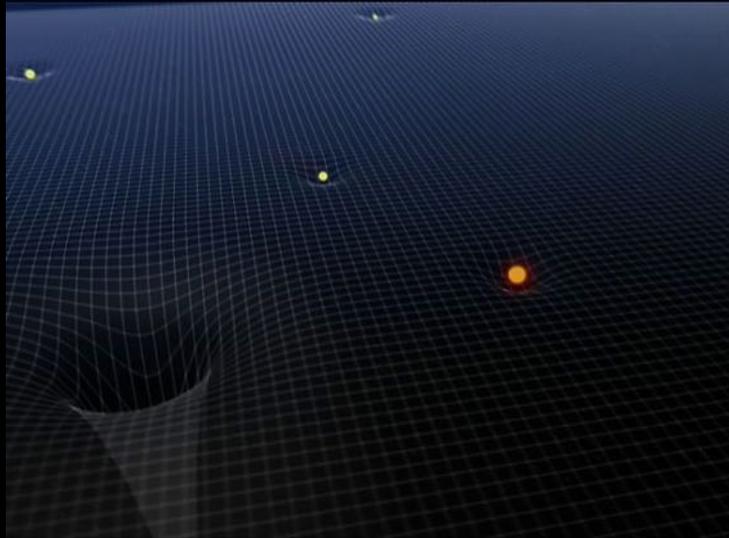
LA MATERIA DICE ALLO SPAZIOTEMPO COME INCURVARSI;  
LO SPAZIOTEMPO DICE ALLA MATERIA COME MUOVERSI.  
(J.A. WHEELER)



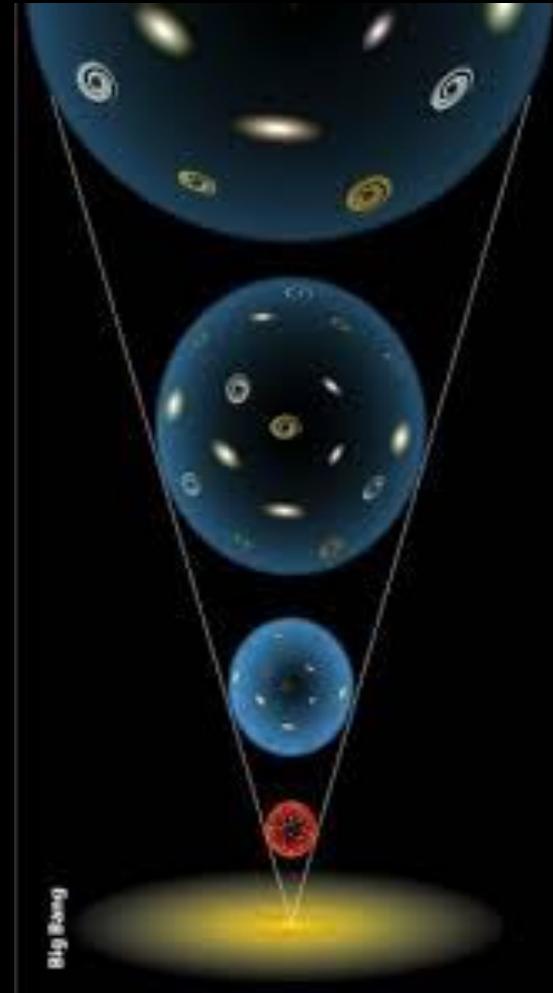
# PREVISIONI



DEFLESSIONE DELLA LUCE



ESISTENZA DEI BUCHI NERI



ESPANSIONE DELL'UNIVERSO (BIG BANG)

# ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI (1916)

Sitzung der physikalisch-mathematischen Klasse vom 22. Juni 1916

## Näherungsweise Integration der Feldgleichungen der Gravitation.

VON A. EINSTEIN.

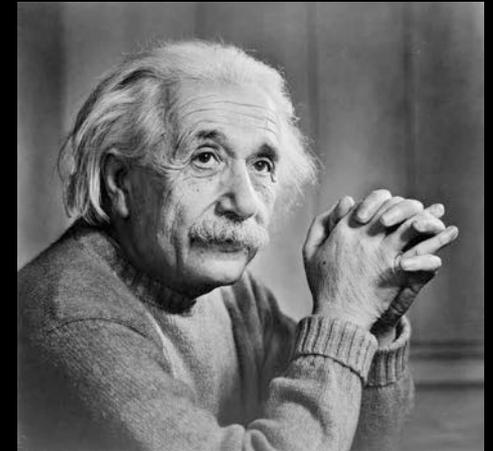
Daraus folgt dann zunächst, daß sich die Gravitationsfelder mit Lichtgeschwindigkeit ausbreiten. Wir werden im Anschluß an diese all-

### § 2. Ebene Gravitationswellen.

Aus den Gleichungen (6) und (9) folgt, daß sich Gravitationsfelder stets mit der Geschwindigkeit 1, d. h. mit Lichtgeschwindigkeit, fortpflanzen. Ebene, nach der positiven  $x$ -Achse fortschreitende Gravitationswellen sind daher durch den Ansatz zu finden

$$\gamma'_{\mu\nu} = \alpha_{\mu\nu} f(x_1 + i x_4) = \alpha_{\mu\nu} f(x - t). \quad (15)$$

Nachtrag. Das seltsame Ergebnis, daß Gravitationswellen existieren sollen, welche keine Energie transportieren (Typen a, b, c), klärt sich in einfacher Weise auf. Es handelt sich nämlich dabei nicht um »reale« Wellen, sondern um »scheinbare« Wellen, die darauf beruhen, daß als Bezugssystem ein wellenartig zitterndes Koordinatensystem benutzt wird. Dies sieht man bequem in folgender Weise ein.



Piccole increspature dello spazio-tempo che si propagano alla velocità della luce

Generate da grandi masse che si muovono a grande velocità

# ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI



INTERAGISCONO MOLTO DEBOLMENTE  
CON LA MATERIA

ATTRAVERSANO L'UNIVERSO INDISTURBATE

E' MOLTO DIFFICILE "CATTURARLE"



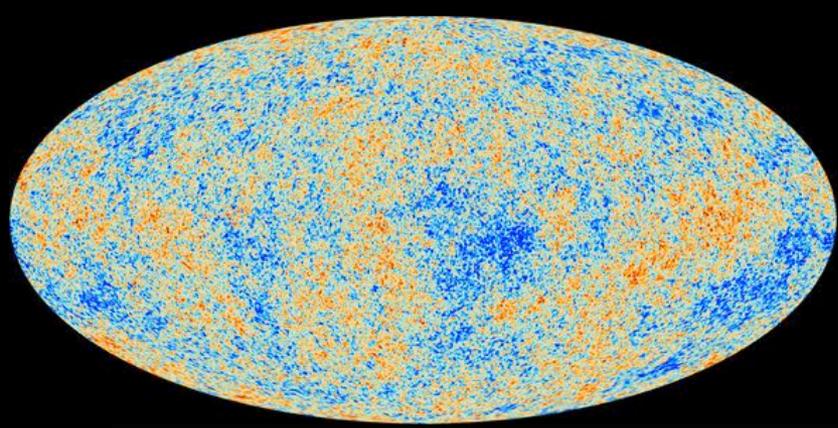
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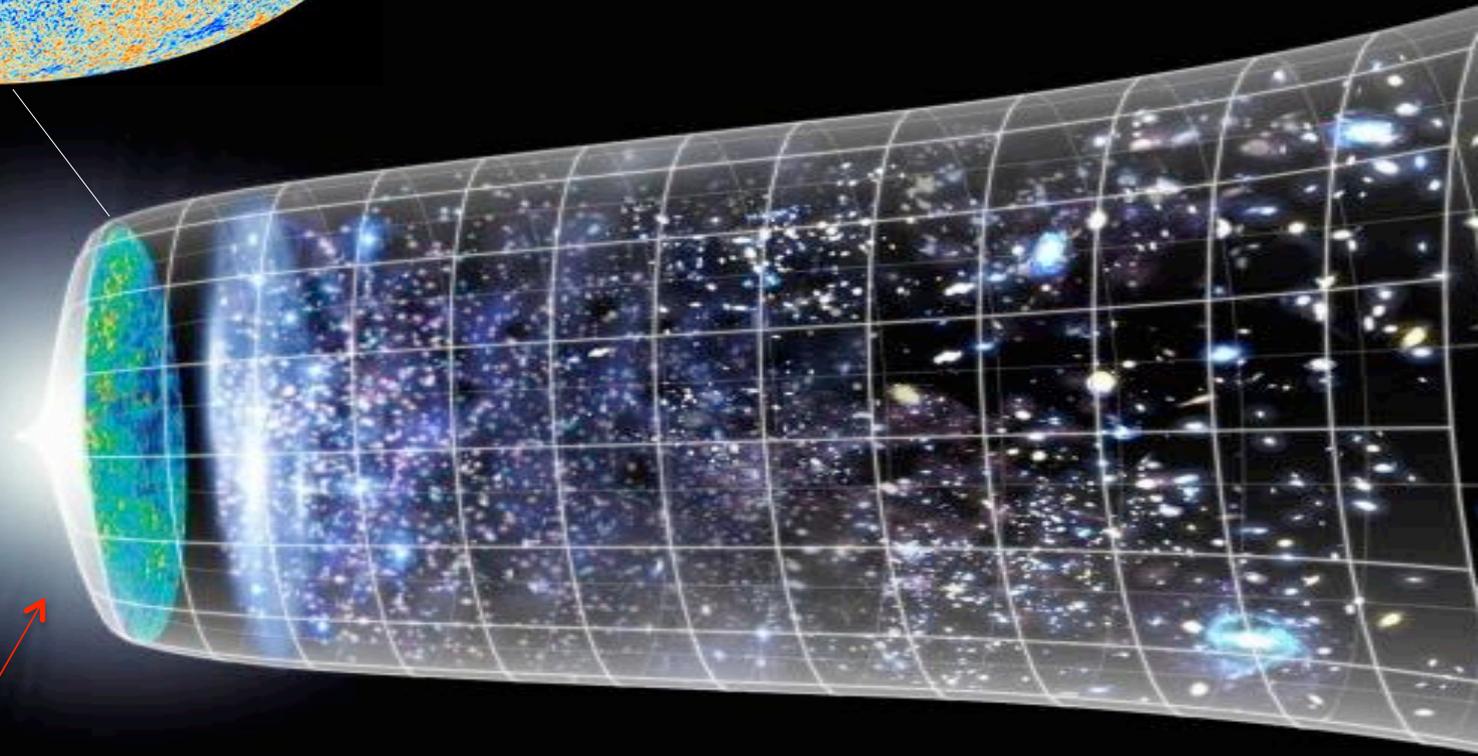
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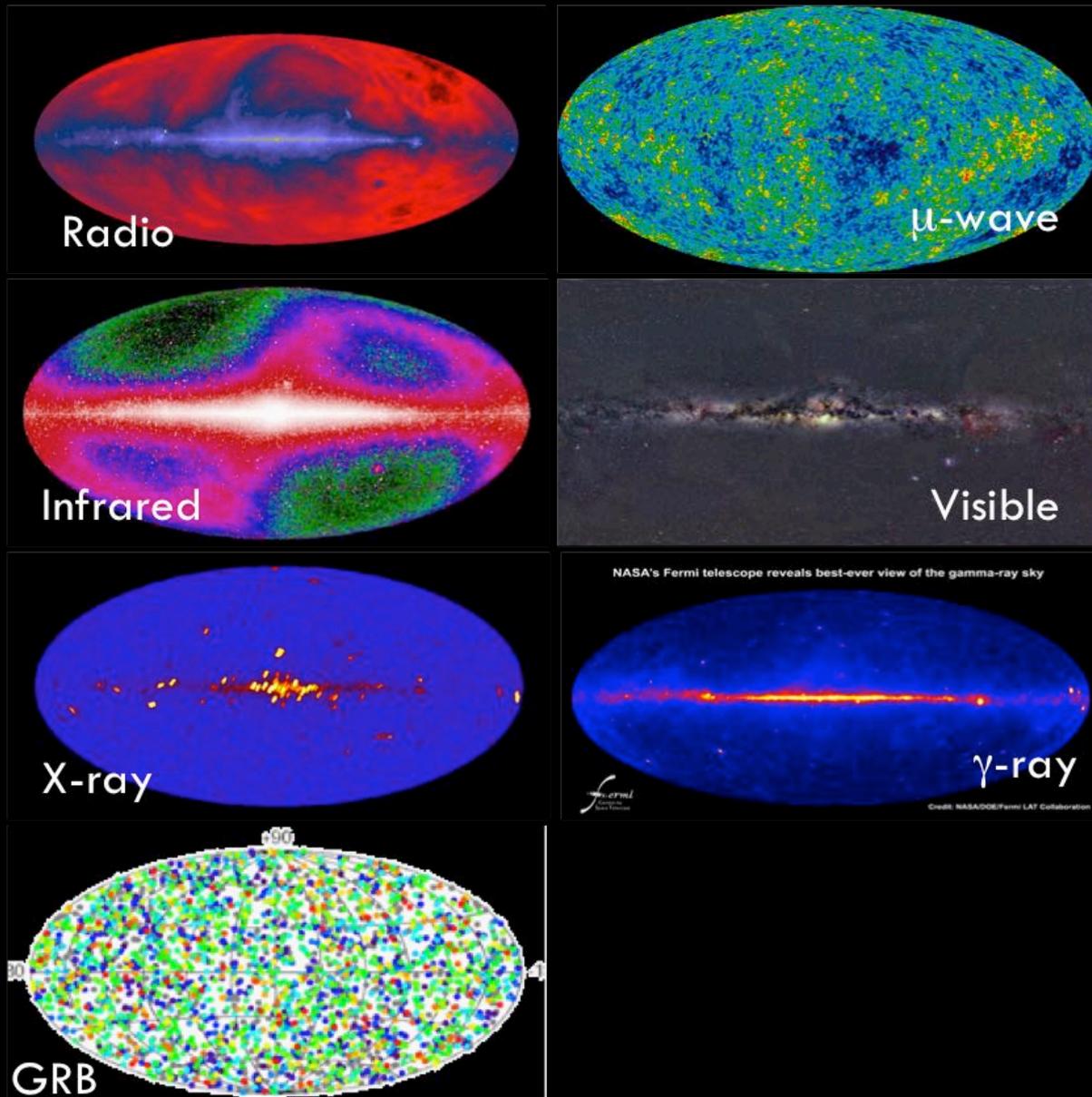


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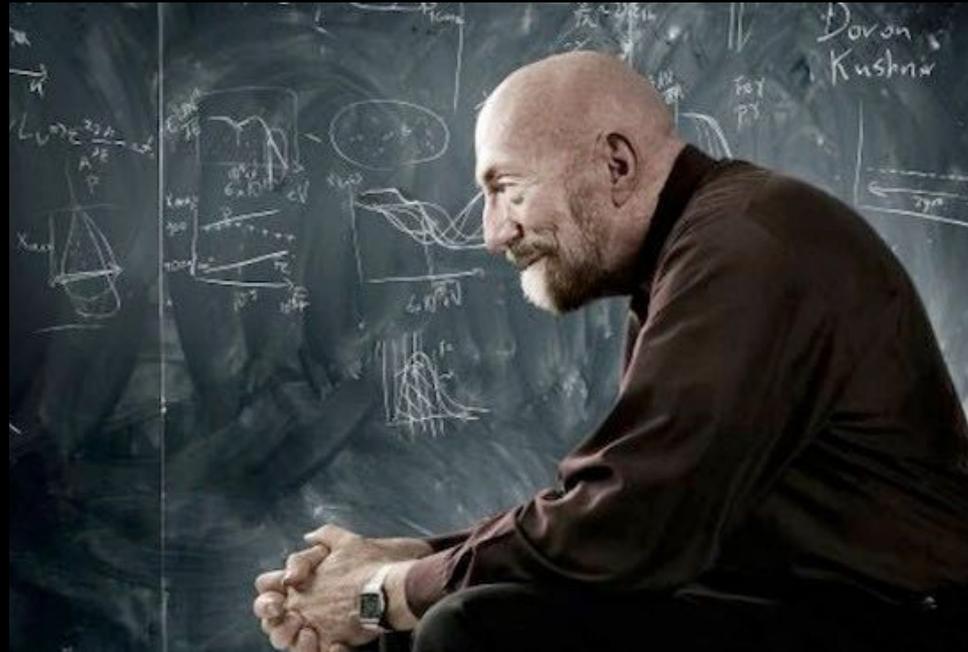
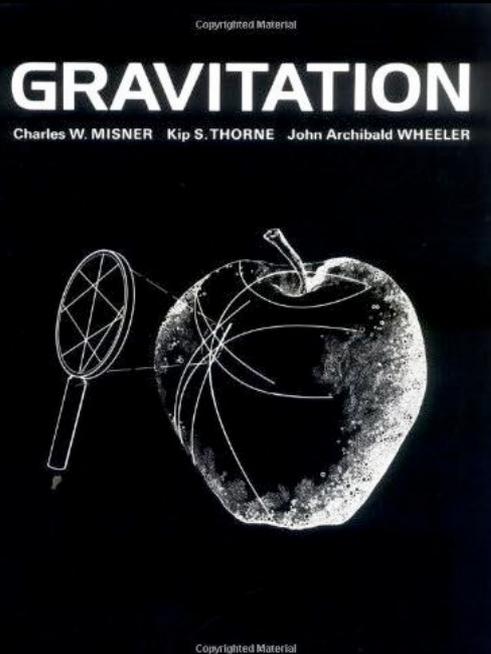


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$10^{-43}$  SECONDI



K.S. Thorne  
Feynman Professor of  
theoretical physics - Caltech



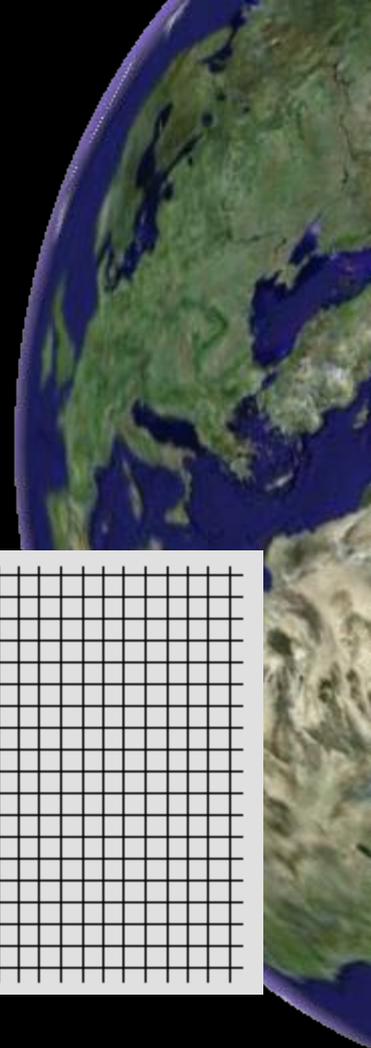
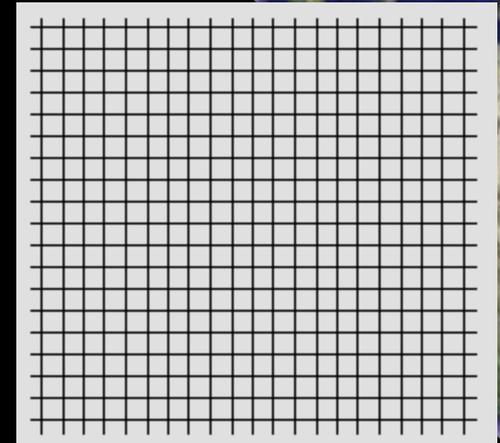
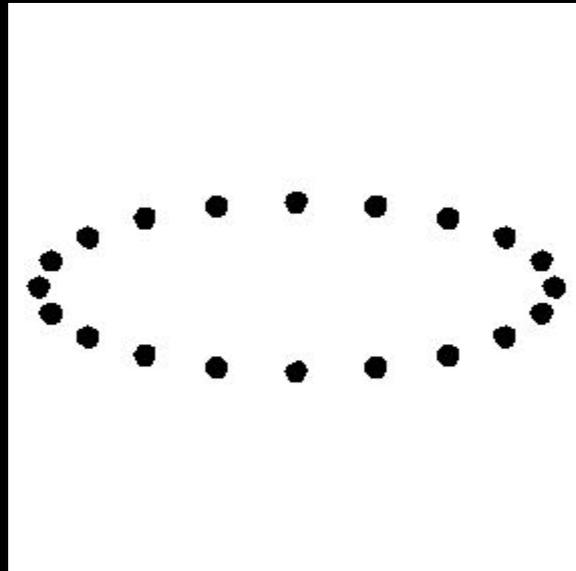
*In una intervista di qualche anno fa...*

**D: Cosa pensi quando guardi il cielo e vedi le stelle?**

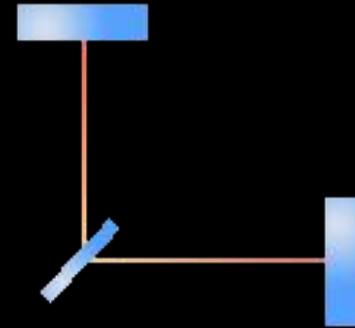
**R: Penso a tutte le cose che non riesco a vedere lassù...**

# QUALI EFFETTI?

- ❑ Le OG deformano lo spazio-tempo
- ❑ Effetto su un anello di masse in caduta libera...

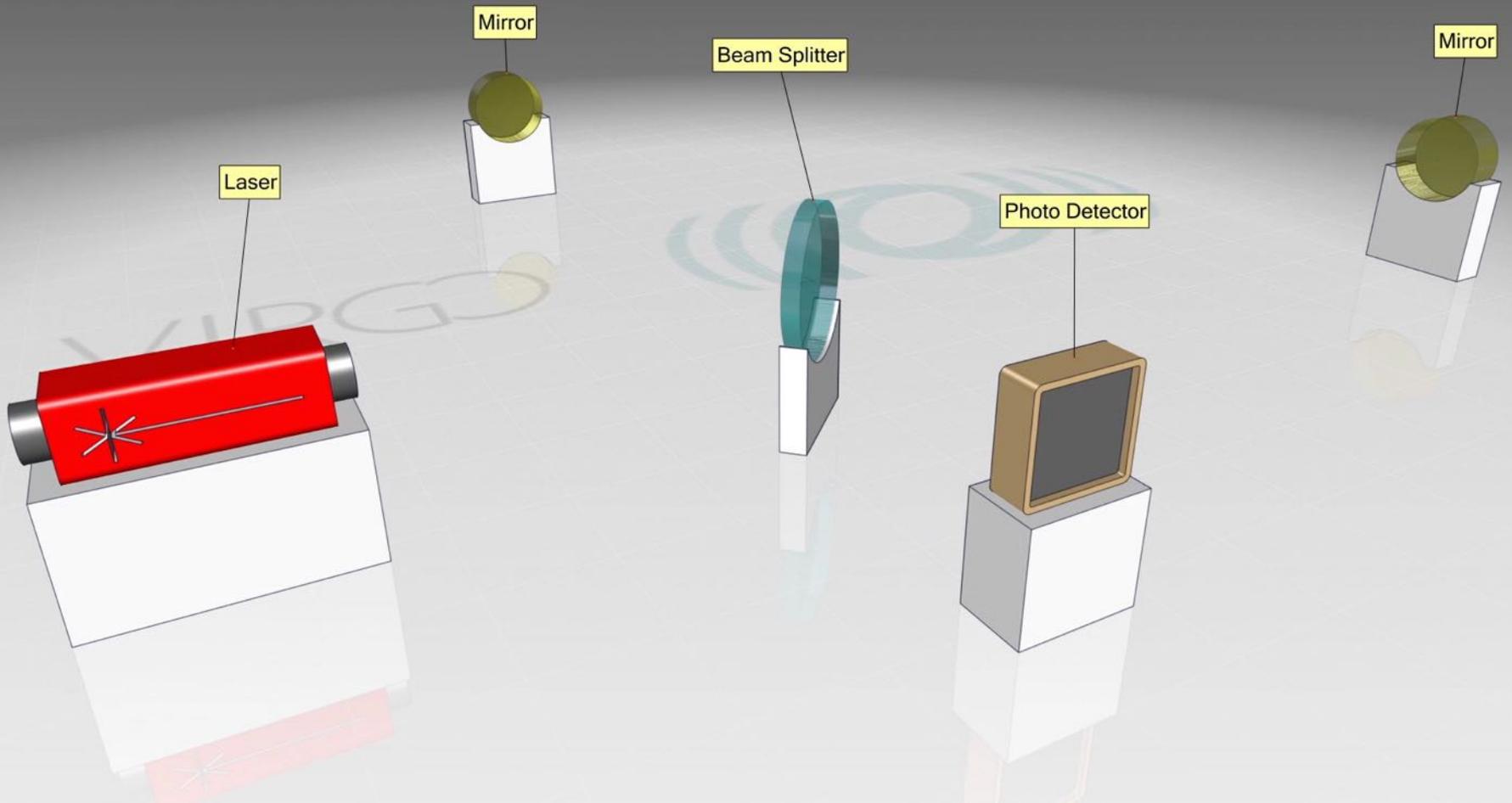


# SI POSSONO RIVELARE?



- ❑ Idea: sostituire l'anello di masse con specchi
- ❑ Misurarne gli spostamenti con un interferometro

# L'interferometro di Michelson: misurare piccoli spostamenti usando la luce



# SI POSSONO RIVELARE?

- Di quanto si sposta uno specchio investito da OG?

$$\Delta L \approx \frac{1}{2} h L$$

Spostamento dello specchio

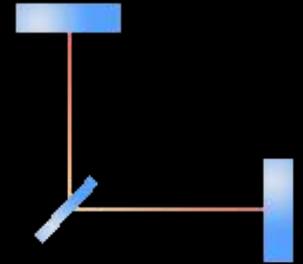
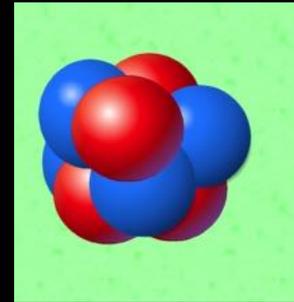
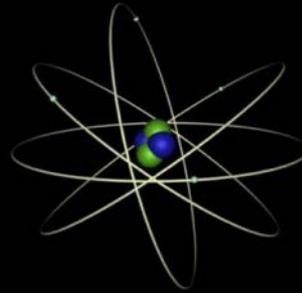
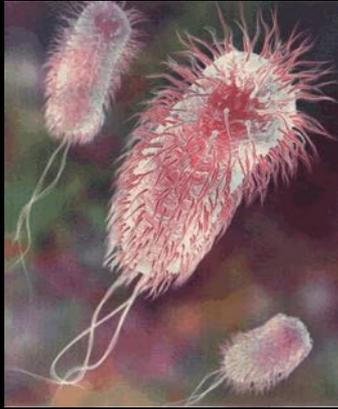
Ampiezza OG

Lunghezza interferometro

- Per due stelle di neutroni che coalescono a 10 Mpc si ha  $h \sim 10^{-21}$
- Sulla Terra si può realizzare  $L \sim$  qualche km
- Bisogna perciò essere capaci di misurare  $\Delta L \sim 10^{-18}$  metri!

$10^{-18}$  m ?????

# QUANTO E' PICCOLO $10^{-18}$ m?



$\approx 10^{-5}$  m

$\approx 10^{-10}$  m

$\approx 10^{-15}$  m

$\approx 10^{-18}$  m

1 metro

10 micron

1 Angstrom

1 femtometro

1 attometro

$\div 100.000$

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$\div 100.000$

$\div 1.000$

# Proxima Centauri

4.2 light years

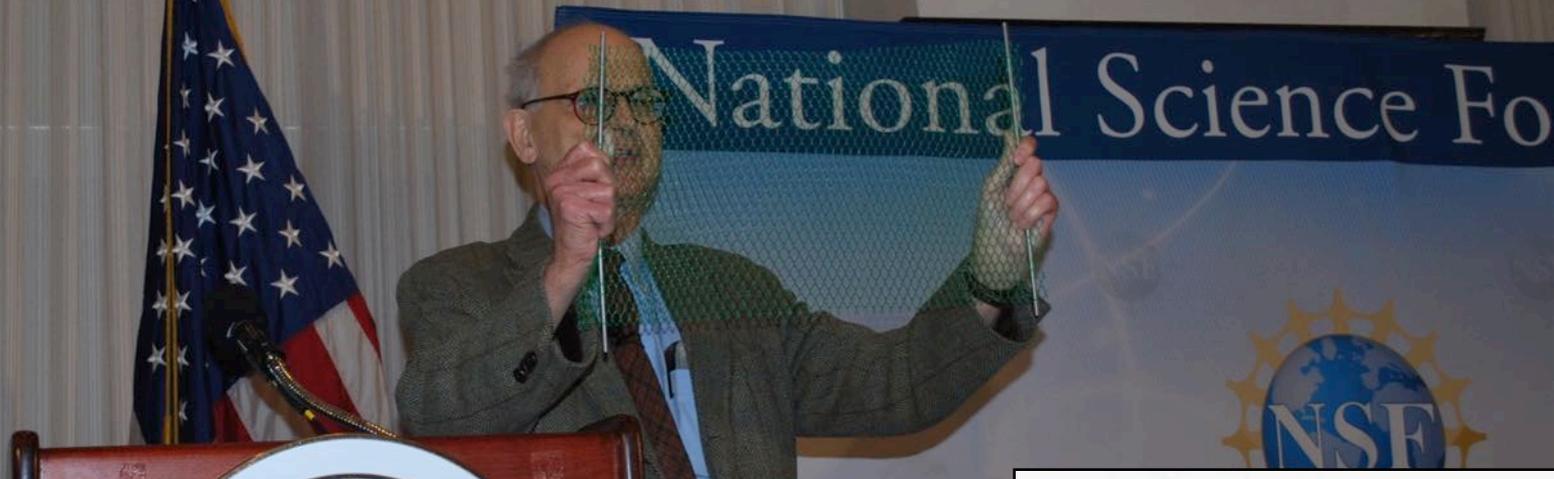
40mila miliardi di km

Imagine measuring this  
distance to a precision of  
**ten microns**

COME SI MISURA  $10^{-18}$  m?



# INTERFEROMETRI



## QUARTERLY PROGRESS REPORT

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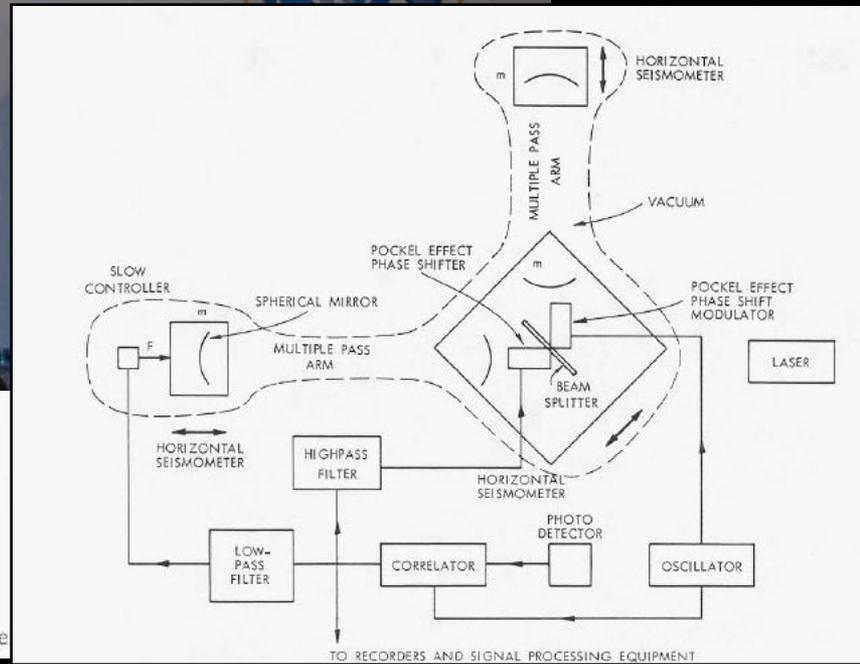
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B. ELECTROMAGNETICALLY COUPLED BROADBAND  
GRAVITATIONAL ANTENNA

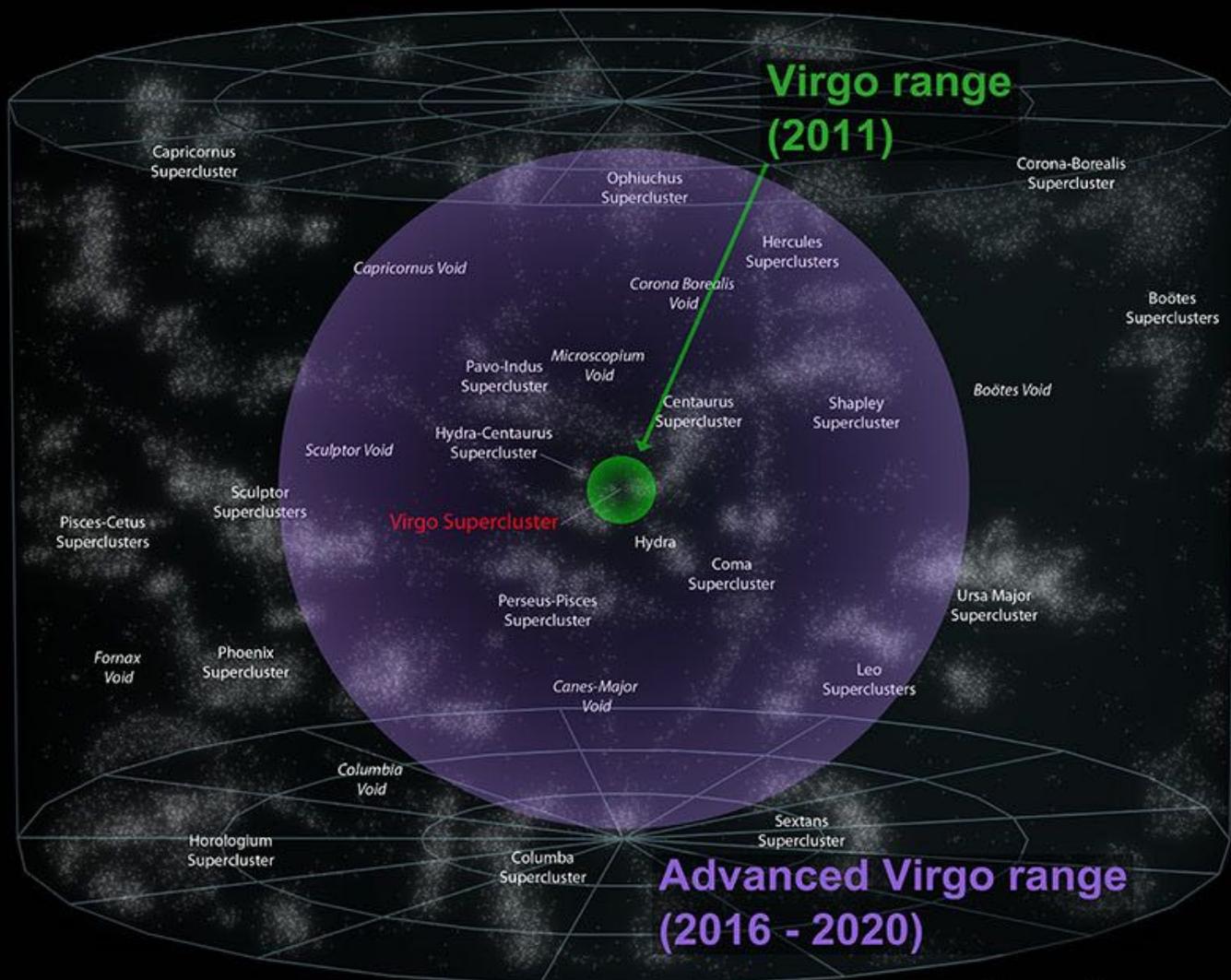
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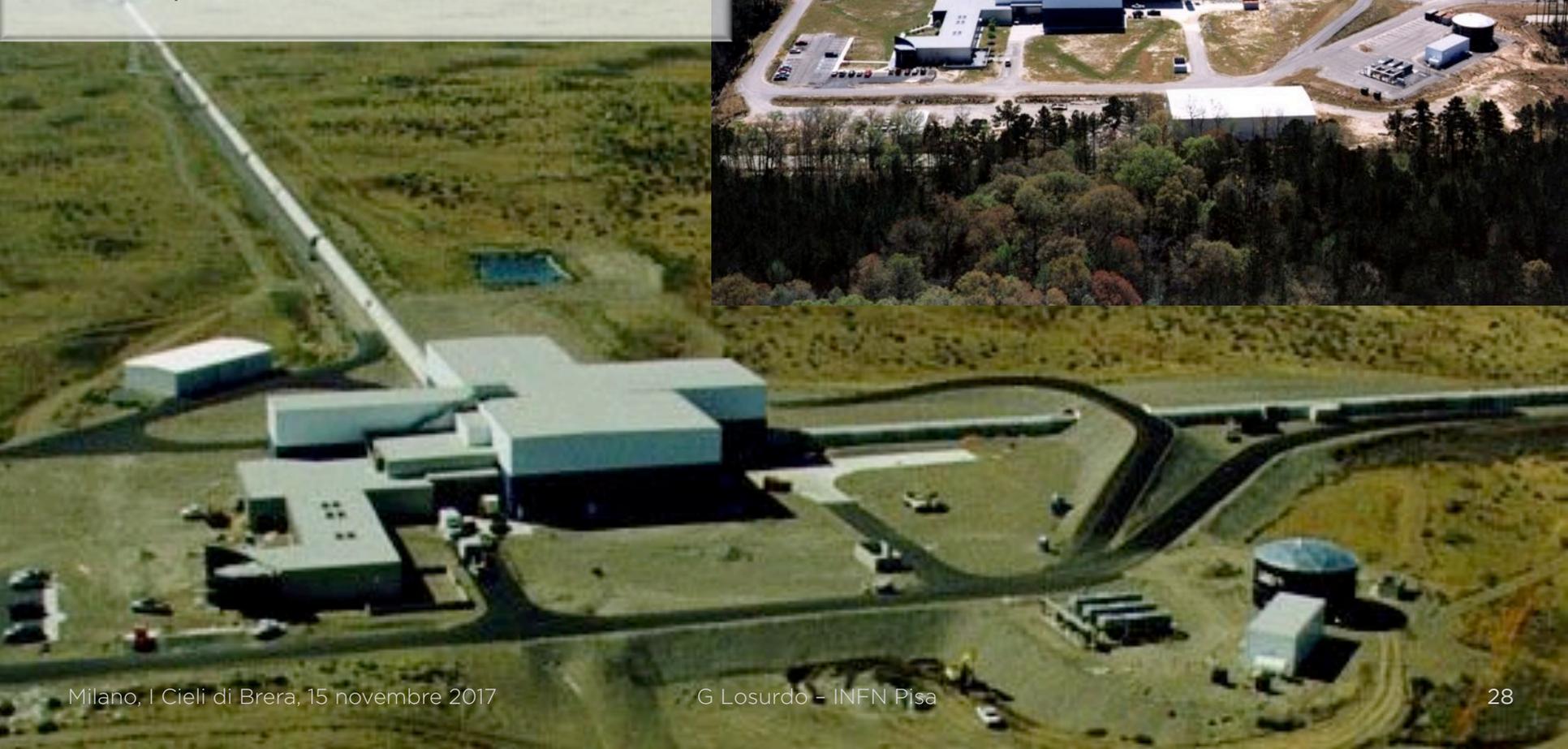
LIGO e VIRGO HANNO OSSERVATO L'UNIVERSO FINO AD UNA DISTANZA DI CIRCA 50 MILIONI DI ANNI LUCE. NON E' BASTATO PER RIVELARE LE ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI

## ADVANCED LIGO/VIRGO: OSSERVARE 10 VOLTE PIU' LONTANO



# ADVANCED LIGO

- Due interferometri. (+1) Finanziato ad aprile 2008 (~230 M\$)
- Costruzione completata nel 2014
- Inizia presa dati: settembre 2015





# ADVANCED VIRGO



6 Paesi europei,  
21 laboratori, ~280 autori

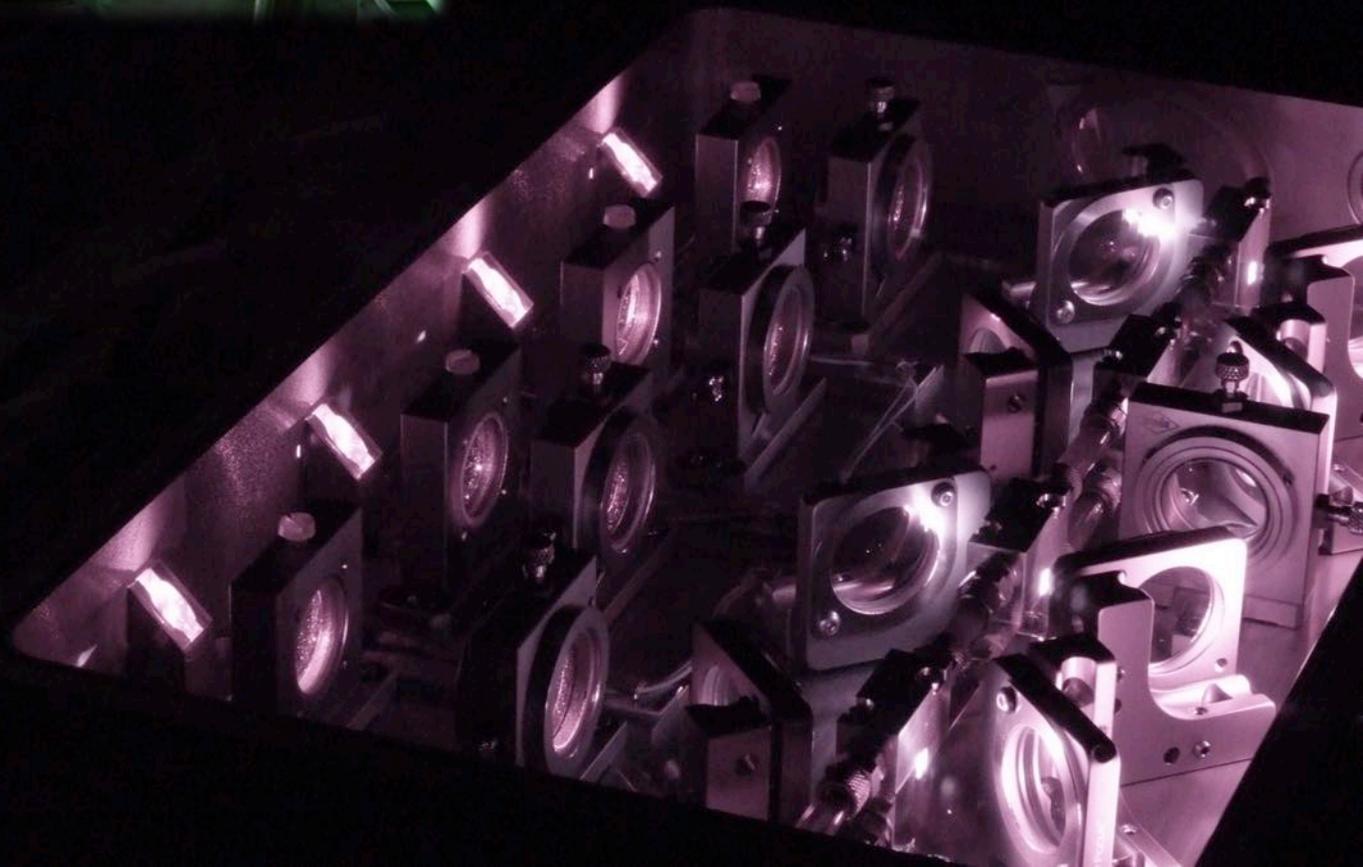
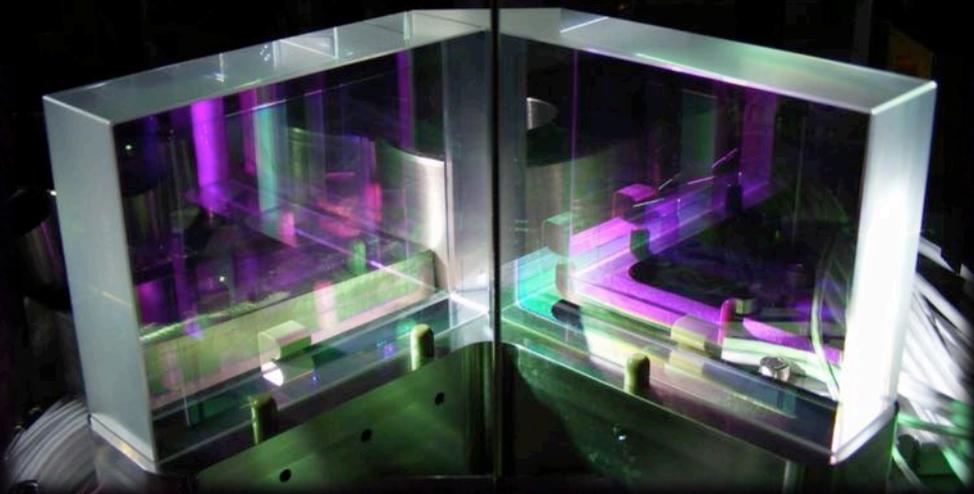
- Finanziato nel 2009 da INFN, CNRS, Nikhef (23.8 ME)
- Costruzione iniziata nel 2012, completata ad agosto 2016
- Il 1 agosto 2017 si è unito a LIGO nell'osservazione dell'universo

APC Paris  
 ARTEMIS Nice  
 EGO Cascina  
 INFN Firenze-Urbino  
 INFN Genova  
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 LAPP Annecy  
 LKB Paris  
 LMA Lyon  
 NIKHEF Amsterdam  
 POLGRAW  
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...e altri si sono uniti da poco:  
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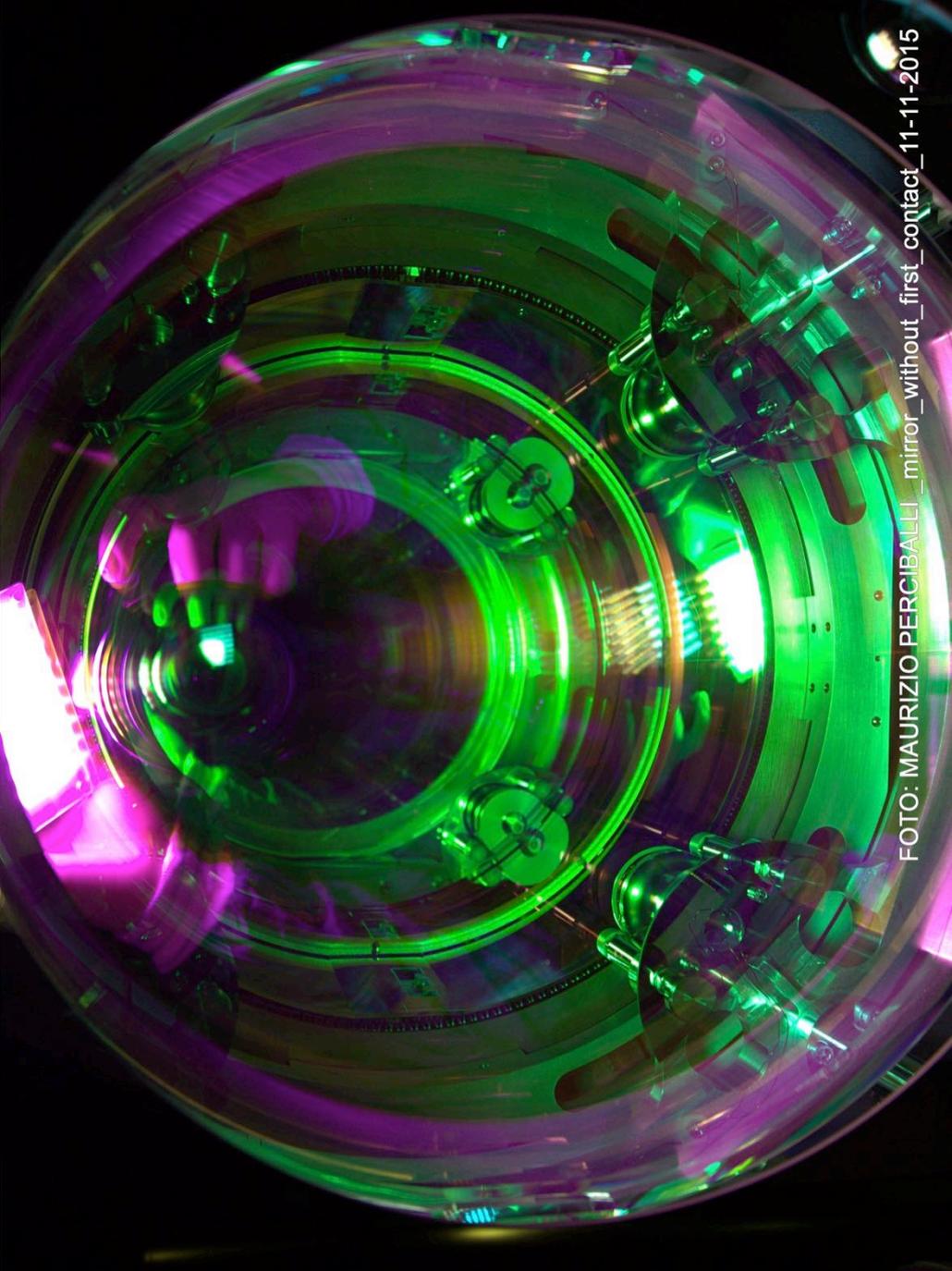
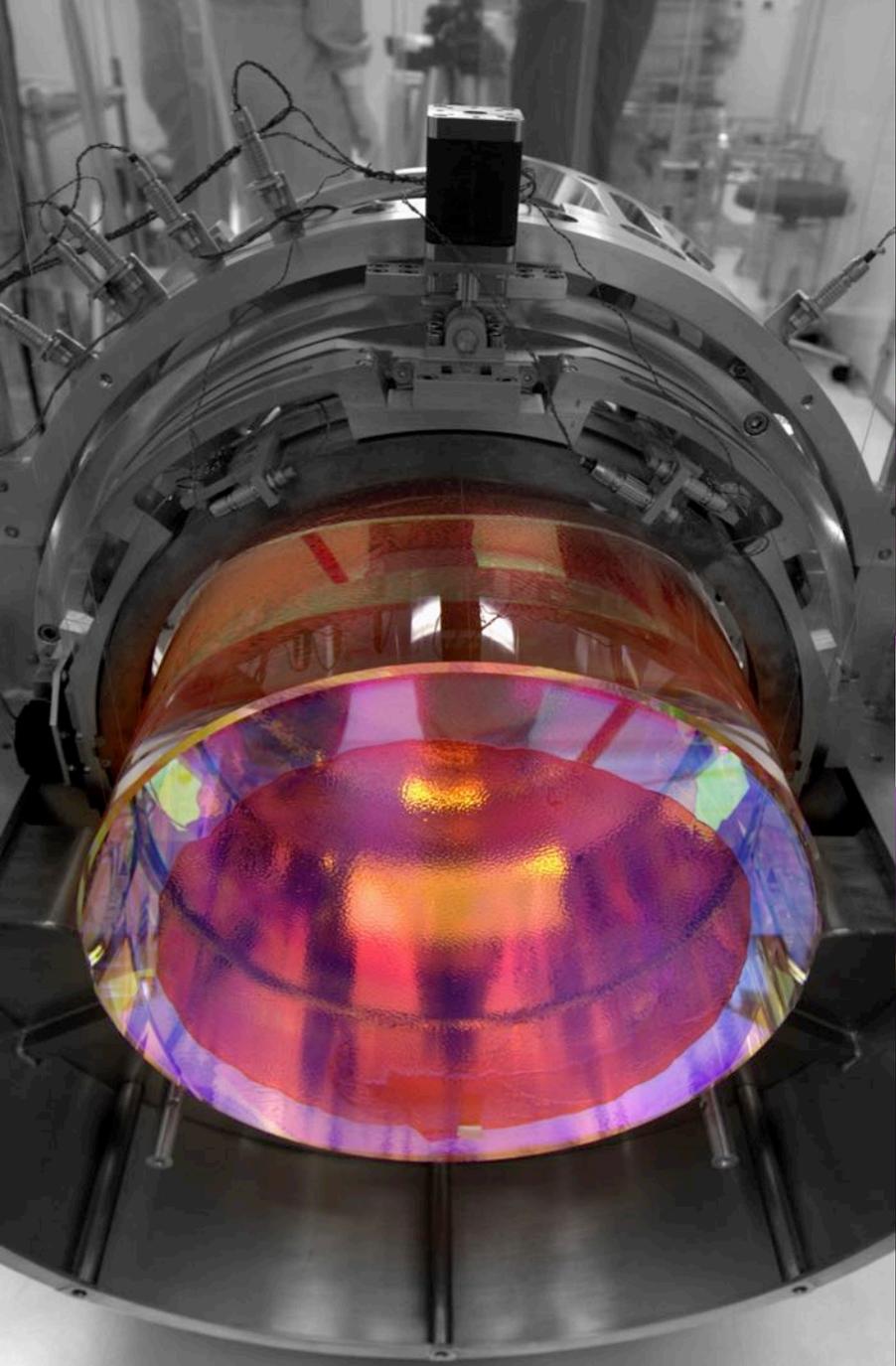
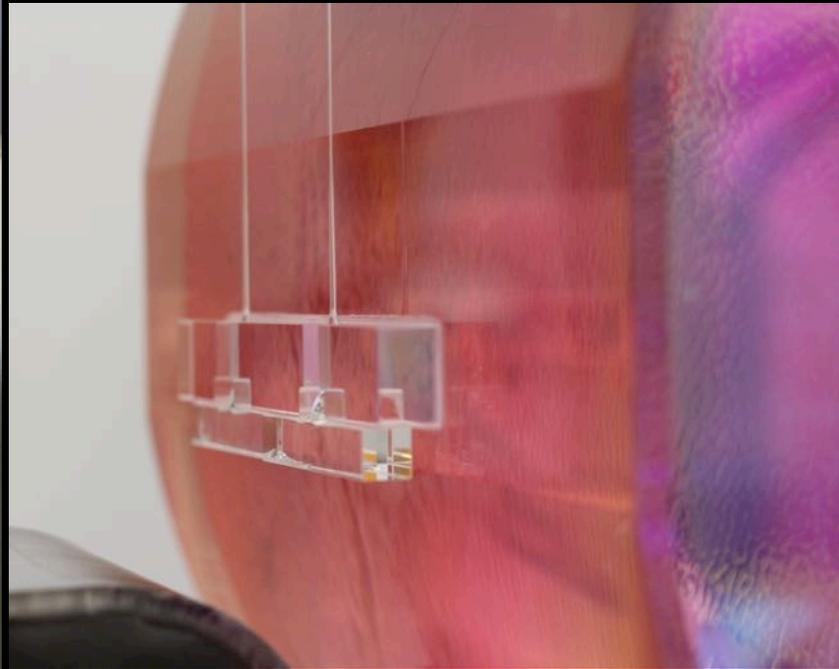
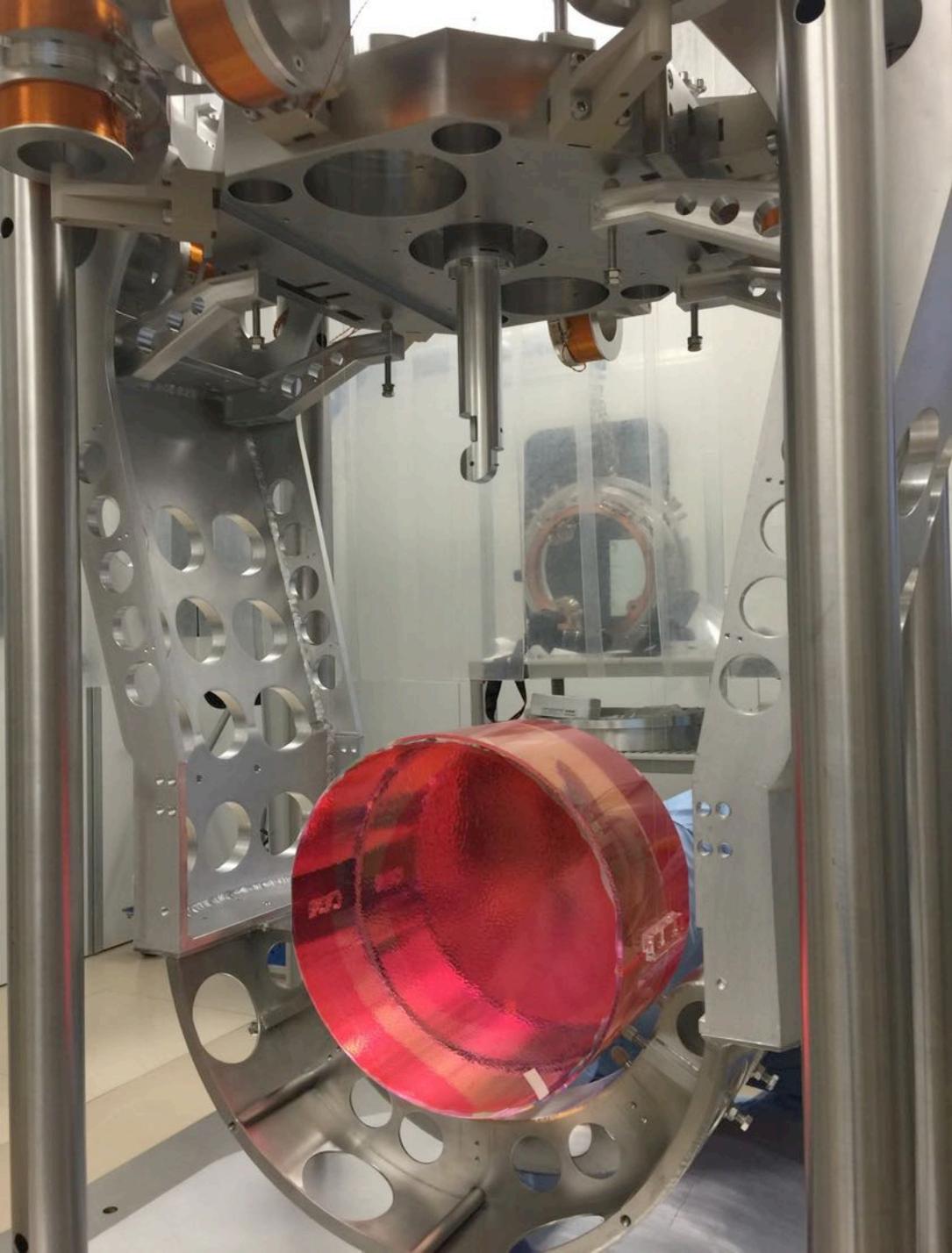
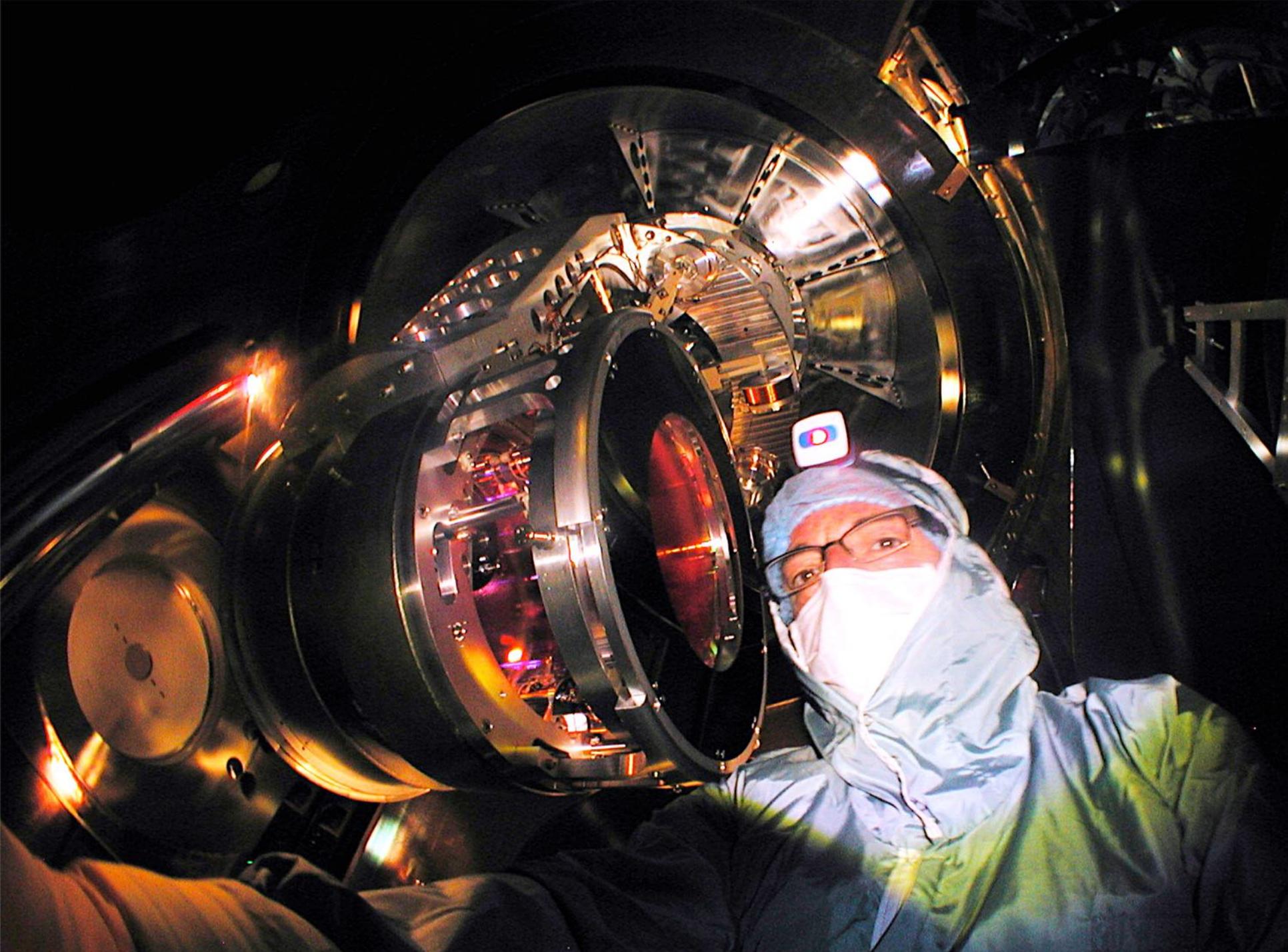
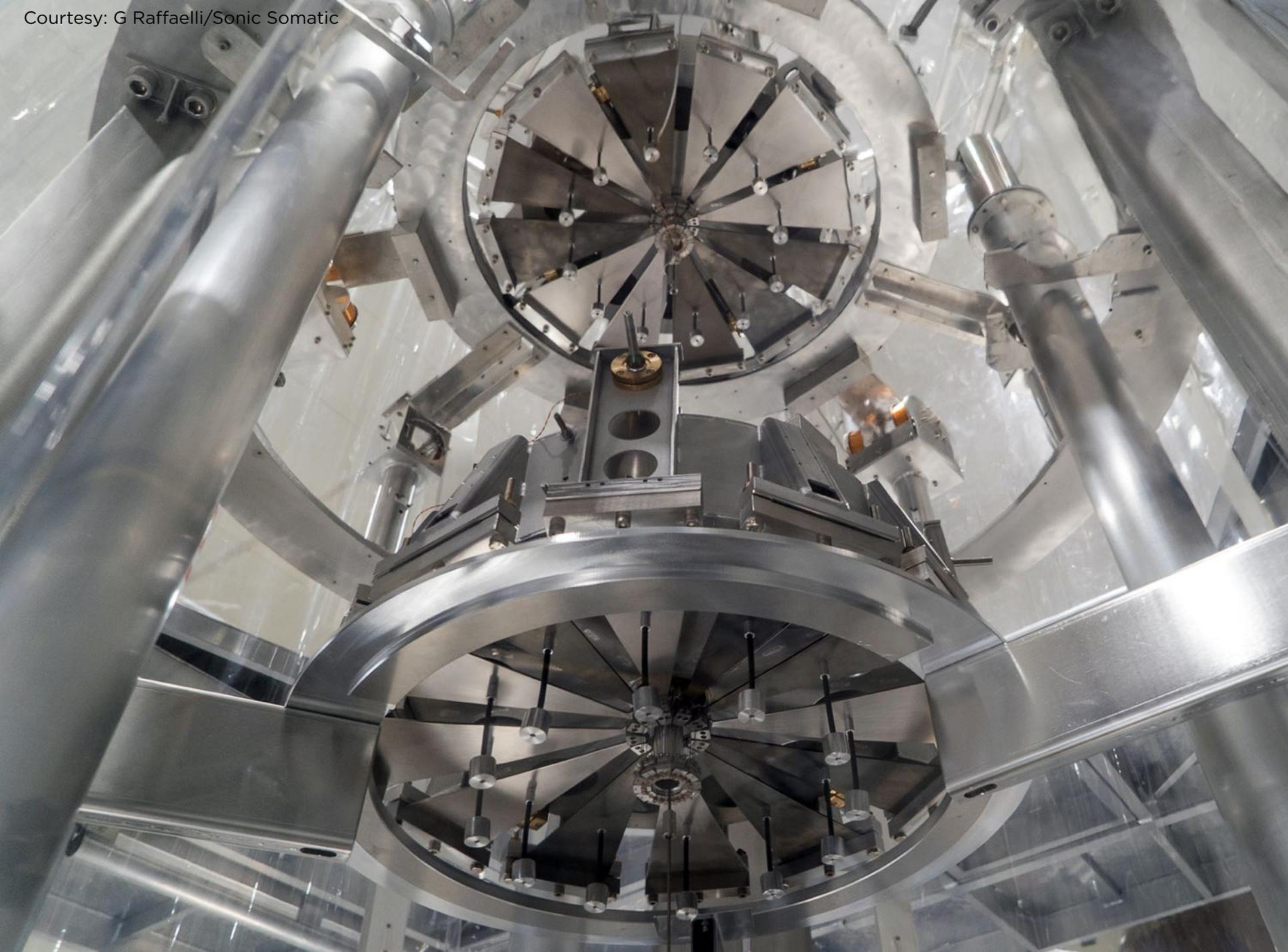


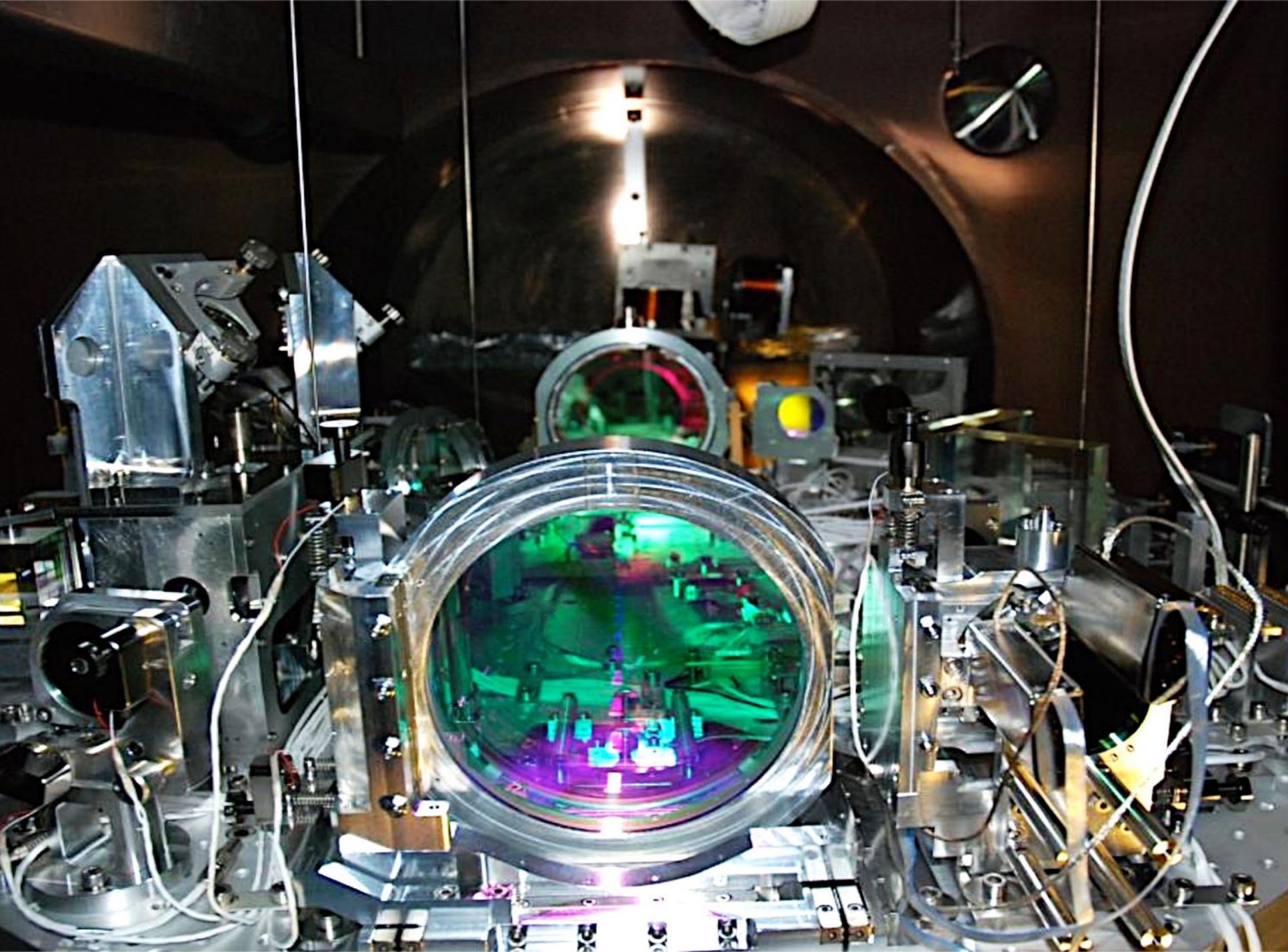
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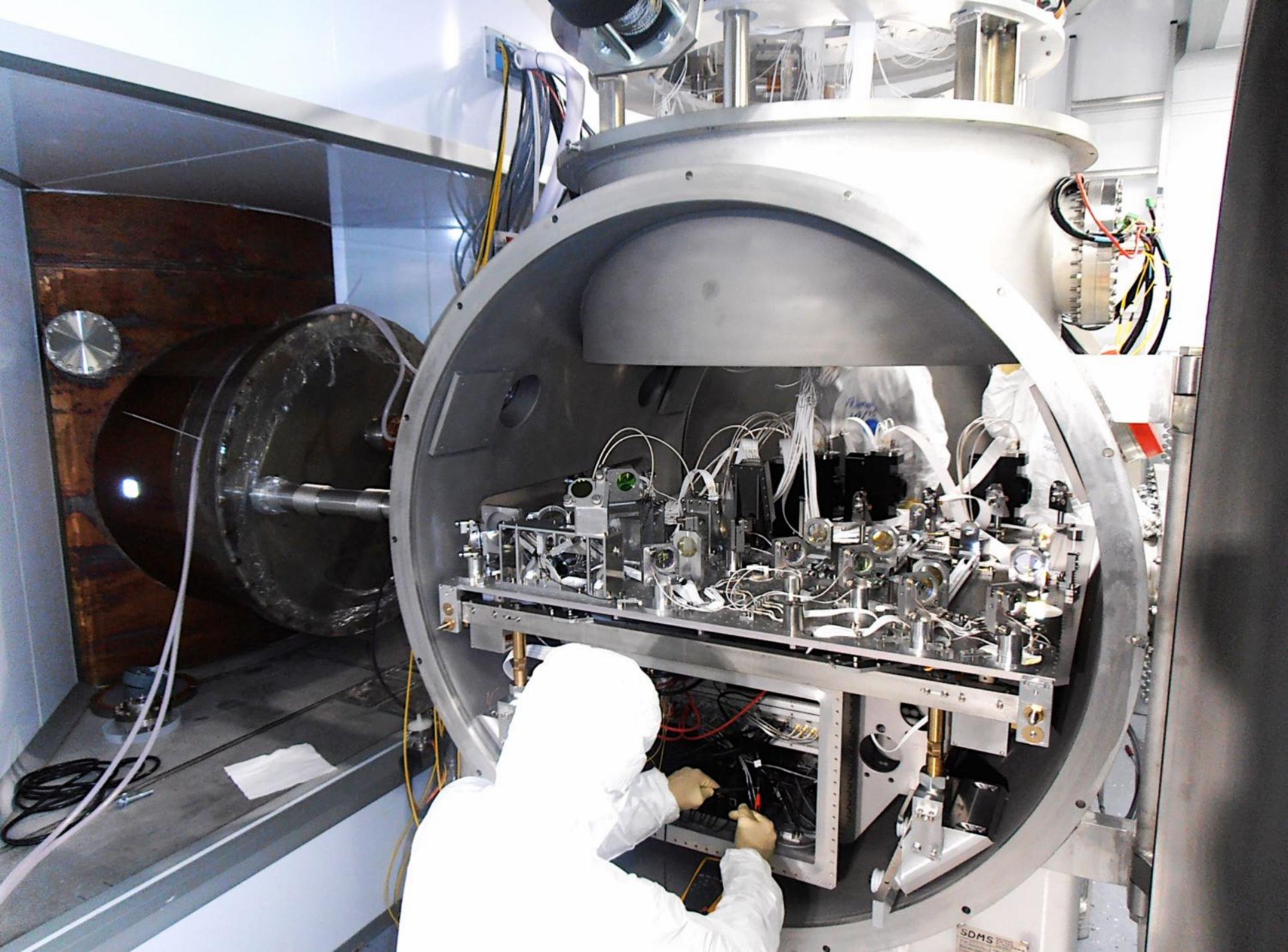




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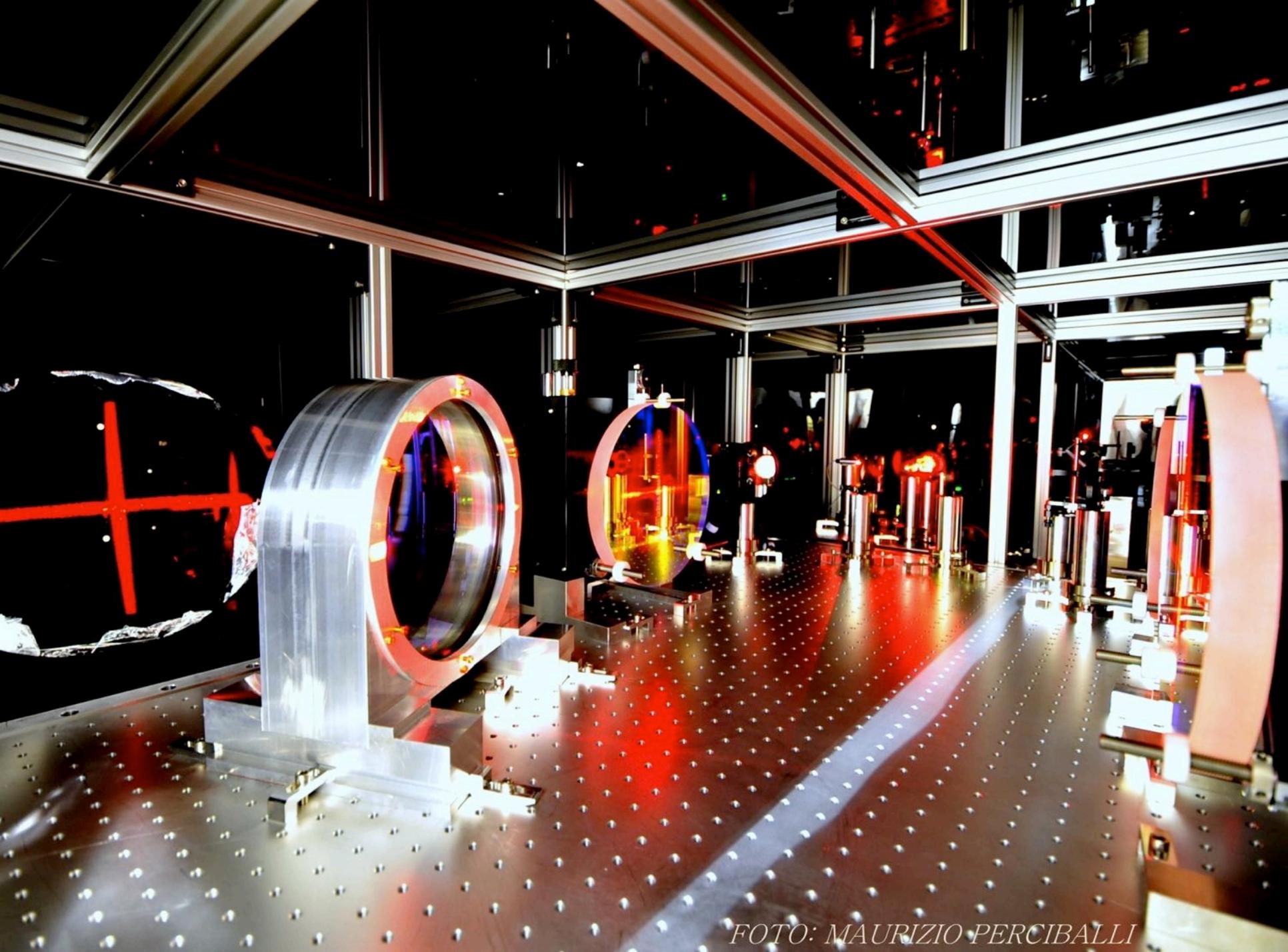


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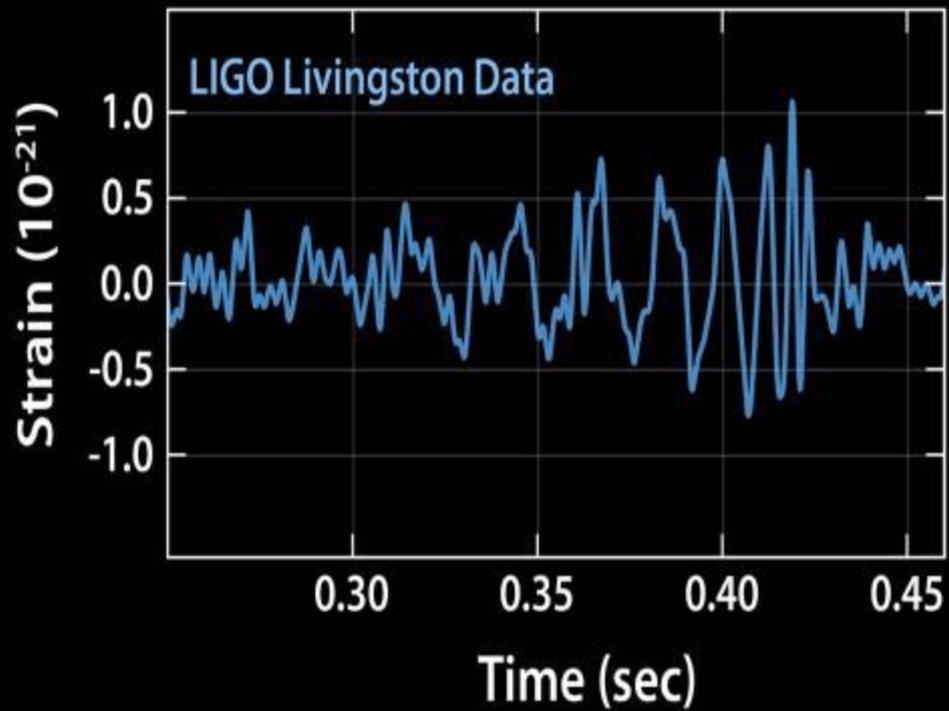
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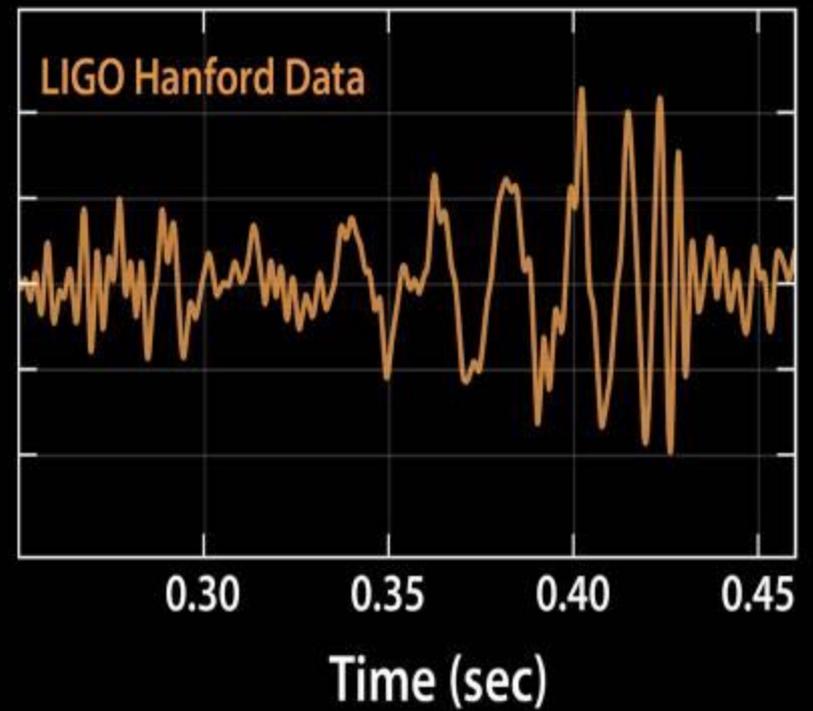
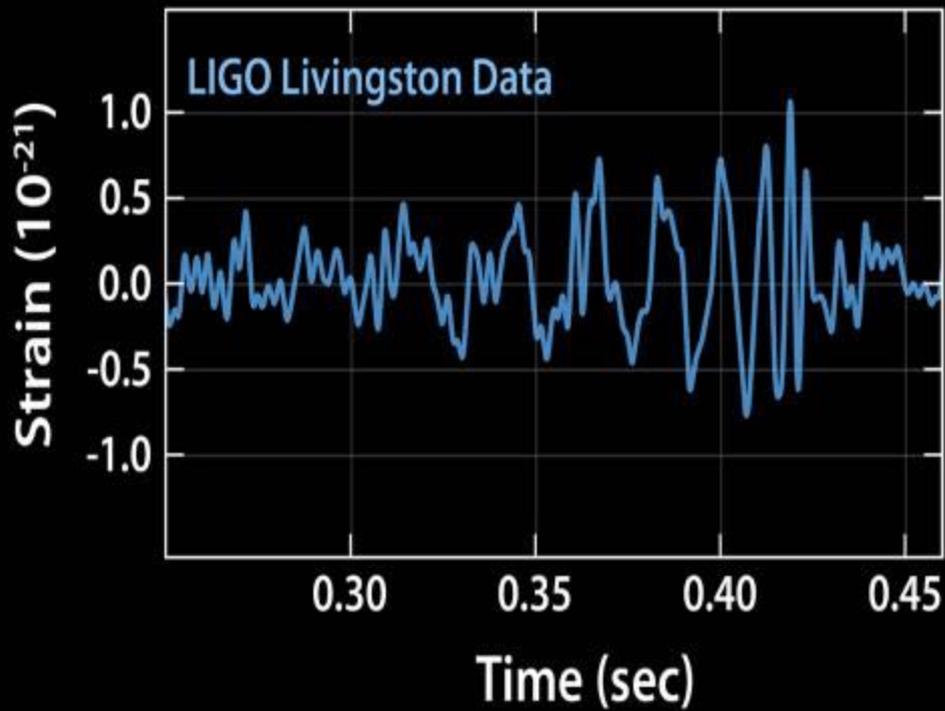
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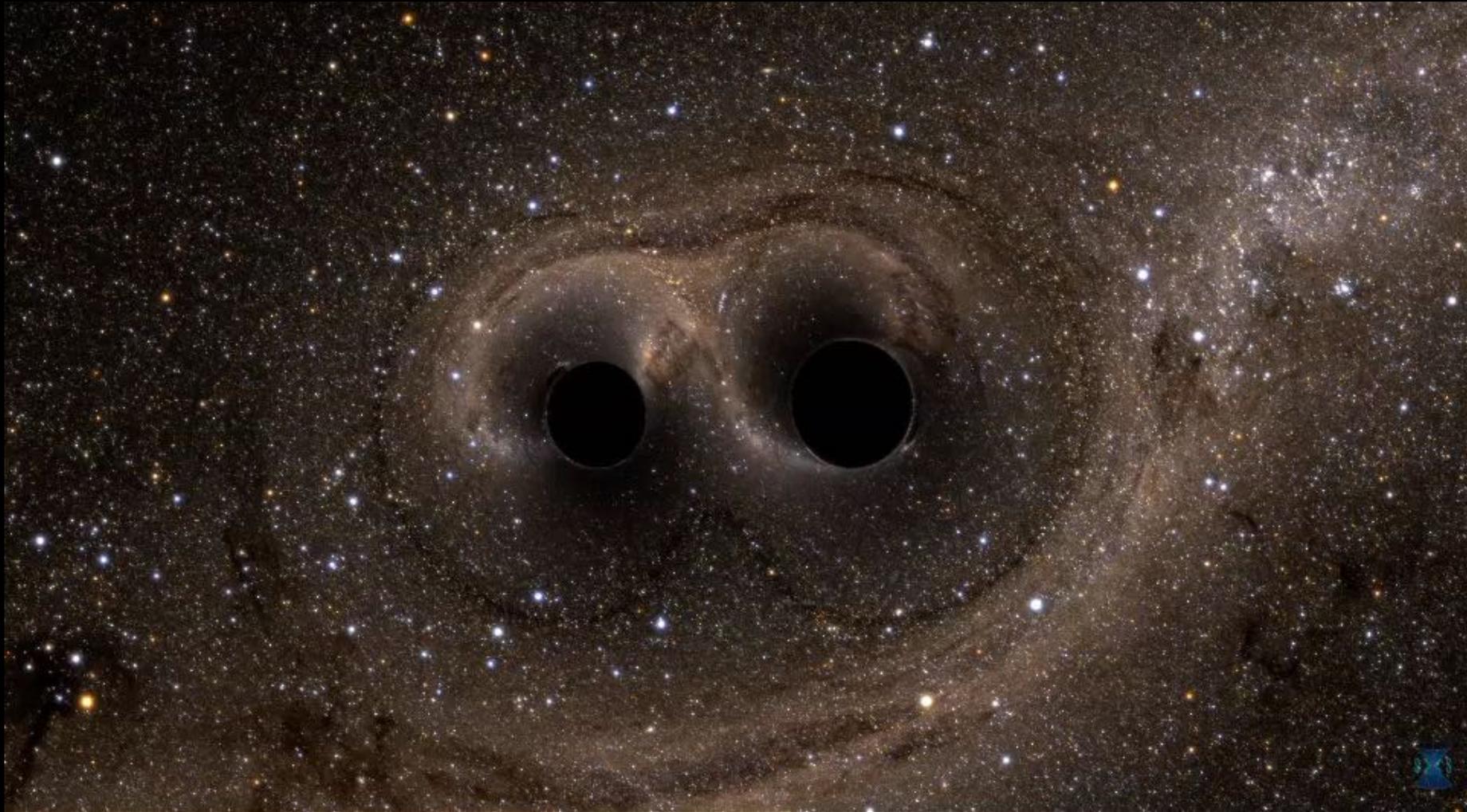
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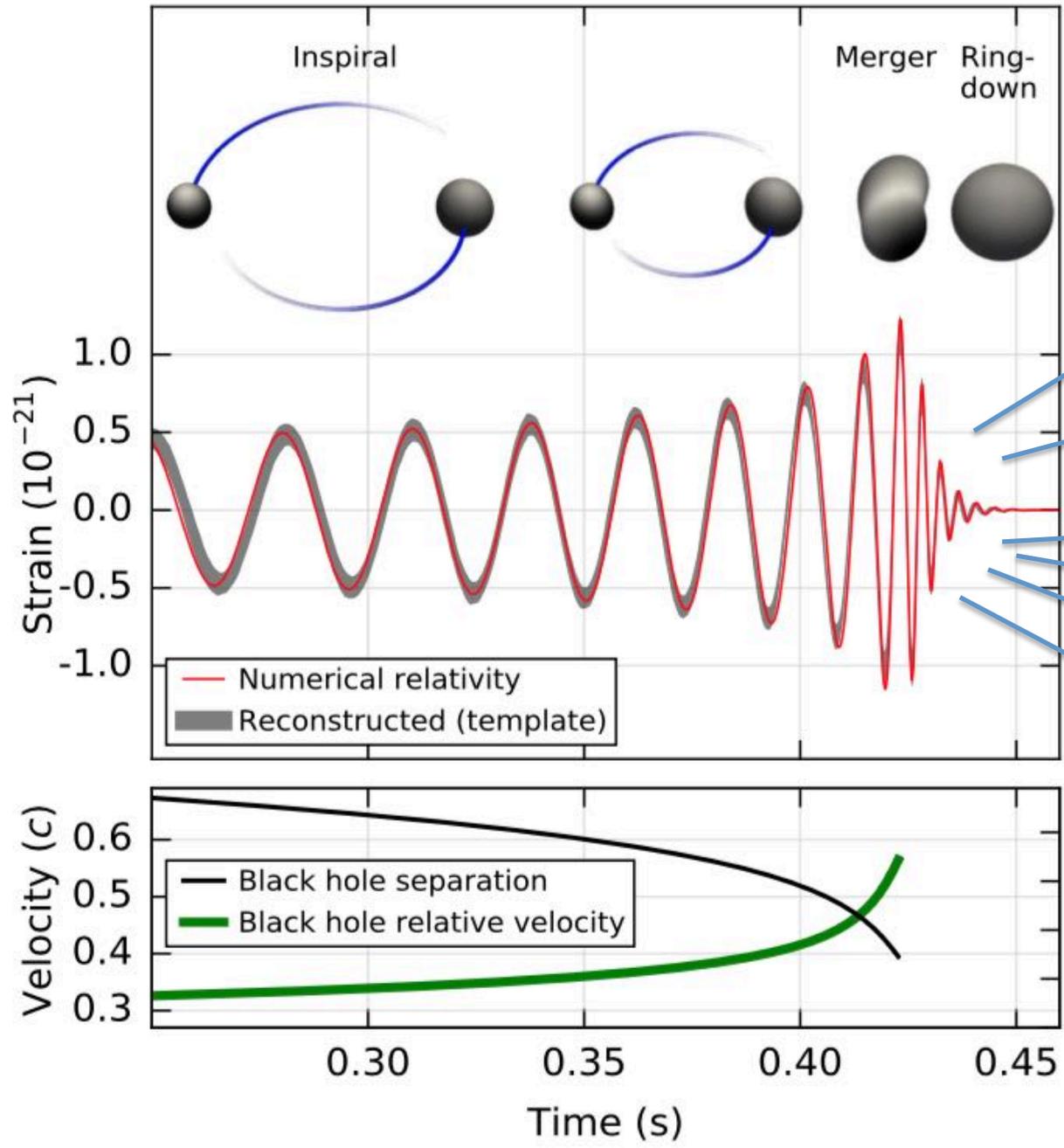




# COSA SI E' VISTO

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MASSE  
INIZIALI

MASSA  
FINALE

DISTANZA

VELOCITA'

SPIN

DIMENSIONI

1.3 MILIARDI DI ANNI FA

A  $10^{22}$  km DALLA TERRA

DUE BUCHI NERI DA 29 E 36 MASSE SOLARI...

SI FONDONO A VELOCITA'  $\sim c/2$

FORMANDO UN BUCO NERO DA 62 MASSE SOLARI

3 MASSE SOLARI VENGONO "TRASFORMATE" IN ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI

IL RAGGIO DEI BUCHI NERI E'  $\sim 200$  KM



ENERGIA EMESSA IN UN SECONDO:  
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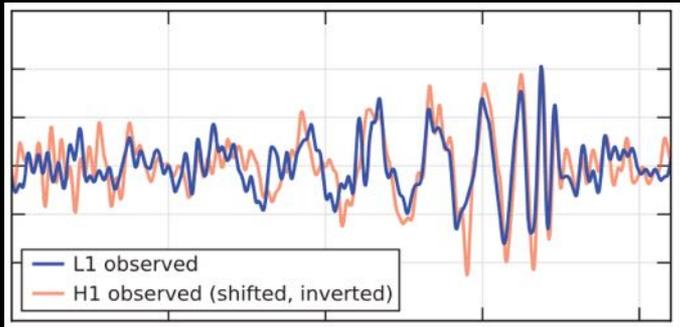
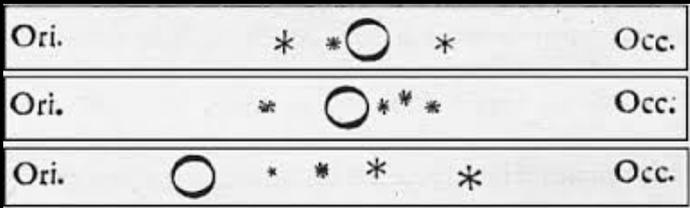
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0.000000000000000000000001 m



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Today, some sunshine giving way to times of clouds, cold, high 28. Tonight, a flurry or heavier squall late, low 15. Tomorrow, windy, frigid, high 21. Weather map, Page A18.

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## Clinton Paints Sanders Plans As Unrealistic

### New Lines of Attack at Milwaukee Debate

By AMY CHOIZICK and PATRICK HEALY

MILWAUKEE — Hillary Clinton, scrambling to recover from her double-digit defeat in the New Hampshire primary, repeatedly challenged the trillion-dollar policy plans of Bernie Sanders at their presidential debate on Thursday night and portrayed him as a big talker who needed to "level" with voters about the difficulty of accomplishing his agenda.

Foreign affairs also took on unusual prominence as Mrs. Clinton sought to underscore her experience and Mr. Sanders excoriated her judgment on Libya and Iraq, as well as her previous praise of former Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger. But Mrs. Clinton was frequently on the offensive as well, seizing an opportunity to talk about leaders she admired and turning it against Mr. Sanders by bashing his past criticism of President Obama — a remark that Mr. Sanders called a "low blow."

With tensions between the two Democrats becoming increasingly obvious, the debate was full of new lines of attack from Mrs. Clinton, who faces pressure to puncture Mr. Sanders's growing popularity before the next nominating contests in Nevada and South Carolina.

She is suggesting that even voters excited by Mr. Sanders's inspiring message will reconsider their support when they learn of his lack of experience in foreign policy and his vague explanations for how he will pay for his expansive government programs.

Mrs. Clinton pounced from the start, after Mr. Sanders demurred in saying how much his proposals would increase the size of the federal government. She stepped in and said that by economists' estimates, the government would grow 40 percent under Mr. Sanders.

As a rival than bashing him as she did at their debate last Thursday, she appeared to try to get under his skin by implying that he had not been transparent about the cost of his programs, such as his proposed expansion of government health care.

"This is not about math. This is

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### Going Back to Trenton

Gov. Chris Christie has returned to New Jersey to tend to a state he at times abandoned in his run for president. Page A21.



A worker installed a baffle in 2010 to control light in the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory in Hanford, Wash.

## WITH FAINT CHIRP, SCIENTISTS PROVE EINSTEIN CORRECT

### A RIPPLE IN SPACE-TIME

#### An Echo of Black Holes Colliding a Billion Light-Years Away

By DENNIS OVERBYE

A team of scientists announced on Thursday that they had heard and recorded the sound of two black holes colliding a billion light-years away, a fleeting chirp that fulfilled the last prediction of Einstein's general theory of relativity.

That faint rising tone, physicists say, is the first direct evidence of gravitational waves, the ripples in the fabric of space-time that Einstein predicted a century ago. It completes his vision of a universe in which space and time are interwoven and dynamic, able to stretch, shrink and jiggle. And it is a ringing confirmation of the nature of

black holes, the bottomless gravitational pits from which not even light can escape, which were the most forbidding (and unwelcome) part of his theory.

More generally, it means that a century of innovation, testing, questioning and plain hard work after Einstein imagined it on paper, scientists have tapped into the deepest register of physical reality, where the weirdest and wildest implications of Einstein's universe become manifest.

Conveyed by these gravitational waves, power 50 times greater than the output of all the stars in the universe combined vibrated a pair of L-shaped antennas in Washington State and Louisiana known as LIGO on Sept. 14.

If replicated by future experiments, that simple chirp, which rose to the noise of middle C before abruptly stopping, seems destined to take its place among the great sound bites of science, ranking with Alexander Graham Bell's "Watson—come here" and Sputnik's first beeps from orbit.

"We are all over the moon and back," said Gabriela González, a Louisiana State University, a spokeswoman for the LIGO Scientific Collaboration, short for Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory. "Einstein would be very happy. I think."

Members of the LIGO group, a



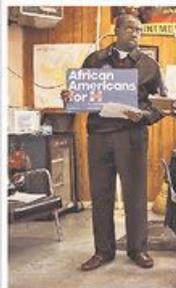
Part of his theory.

## Long in Clinton's Corner, Blacks Notice Sanders

By RICHARD FAUSSET

ORANGEBURG, S.C. — When Helen Duley was asked whom she would vote for in the South Carolina primary, she answered as if the very question were absurd.

"What I'm seeing is a bunch of confusion, hearsay and foolishness," said Mrs. Duley, 80, a retired nursing assistant who is African-American, shortly after finishing breakfast at the downtown McDonald's. "What I also see is a veteran who's already been in the White House eight years. A veter-



Reginald Abraham, left, an organizer for Hillary Clinton, at a barber shop in Orangeburg, S.C.

### Courted Hard in South Carolina, Loyalists Listen Closely

But that was late January. Interviewed again Tuesday as Mrs. Clinton's rival, Senator Bernie Sanders of Vermont, was surging toward an overwhelming victory in the New Hampshire Democratic primary, Mrs. Duley found herself suddenly intrigued by a

candidate she barely knew. "It makes me feel good," she said, chuckling, "that young people are listening to the elderly people." She now said she was an undecided voter and planned to do some homework on Mr. Sanders.

Mrs. Clinton has long looked forward to the Feb. 27 Democratic contest in South Carolina, the first state where blacks will make up a dominant part of the primary vote. African-Americans accounted for more than half the voters in the 2008 Democratic primary, and she has been counting on them as a bulwark, not just

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## Last Occupier In Rural Oregon Is Coaxed Out

This article is by Dave Seminars, Richard Pérez-Peña and Kirk Johnson.

PRINCETON, Ore. — They explored the last holdout in the armed occupation of a wildlife refuge here to think about the Holy Spirit. They explained that the First Amendment was about freedom of speech and the Second was about the right to bear arms, and said that they were in that order for a reason. They asked him what he thought Jesus would have done in his situation.

He, in turn, asked for pizza and marijuana, criticized a government that condoned abortion and drone strikes, and talked about U.F.O.s and dying rather than going to prison.

In the final moments, a stand-off fed by big ideas about the role of government came down Thursday morning to the grievances and fears of one troubled young man, and the tense but successful efforts of his sympathizers and F.B.I. agents to coax him to surrender, ending the occupation of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in southeastern Oregon.

"I'm actually feeling suicidal right now," said David Fry, 27, of Blanchester, Ohio, the last of

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Einstein was right! Congrats to @NSF and @LIGO on detecting gravitational waves - a huge breakthrough in how we understand the universe.

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Scientists just confirmed the detection of gravitational waves. This is one of the biggest discoveries of modern science.

Albert Einstein is one of my heroes, so I've been following this announcement closely. Einstein first predicted gravitational waves 100 years ago in his Theory of General Relativity. Gravitational waves are ripples in the fabric of space-time created by the movement of mass. These are mostly too small to be detected, so we need to look for waves that begin with massive events like the Big Bang, the collapse of stars and the collision of black holes.

By analyzing the information contained in gravitational waves, we can now open up an entirely new view of the cosmos -- potentially shedding light on the very earliest moments of the universe, as well as the creation and growth of black holes.

It's inspiring to think about all the lives and effort, generation after generation, that have gone into uncovering this insight about our universe. Today's breakthrough depended on the talent of brilliant scientists and engineers from many nations, but also advances in computing that only recently became possible. Congratulations to everyone who helped make this happen. You've made Einstein proud.



PRESS RELEASE

3 October 2017

# The Nobel Prize in Physics 2017

The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the Nobel Prize in Physics 2017

with one half to

**Rainer Weiss**

LIGO/VIRGO Collaboration

and the other half jointly to

**Barry C. Barish**

LIGO/VIRGO Collaboration

and

**Kip S. Thorne**

LIGO/VIRGO Collaboration

*“for decisive contributions to the LIGO detector and the observation of gravitational waves”*

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Inaugurazione di Advanced Virgo



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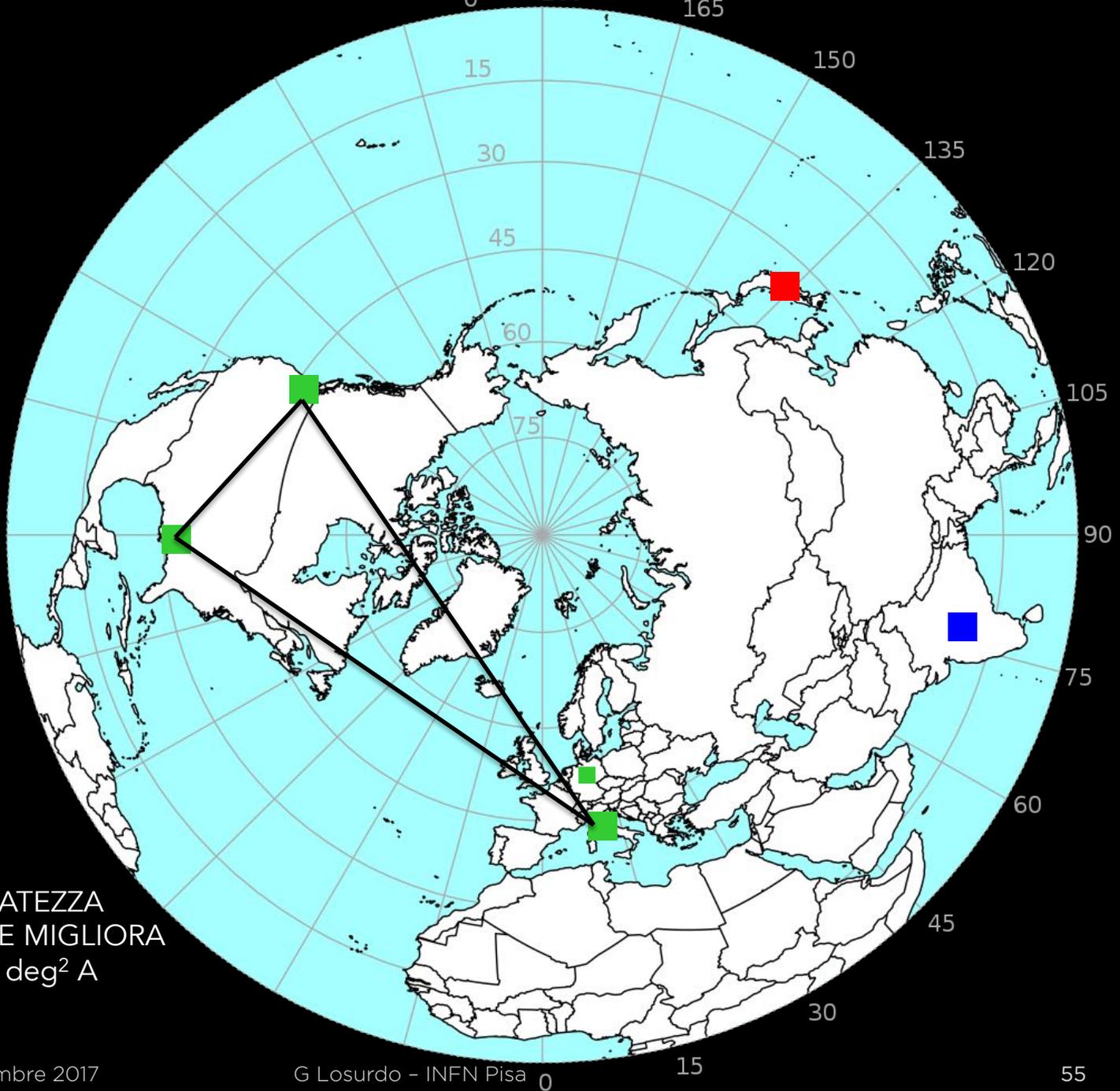
# LA RIVOLUZIONE D'AGOSTO

August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017

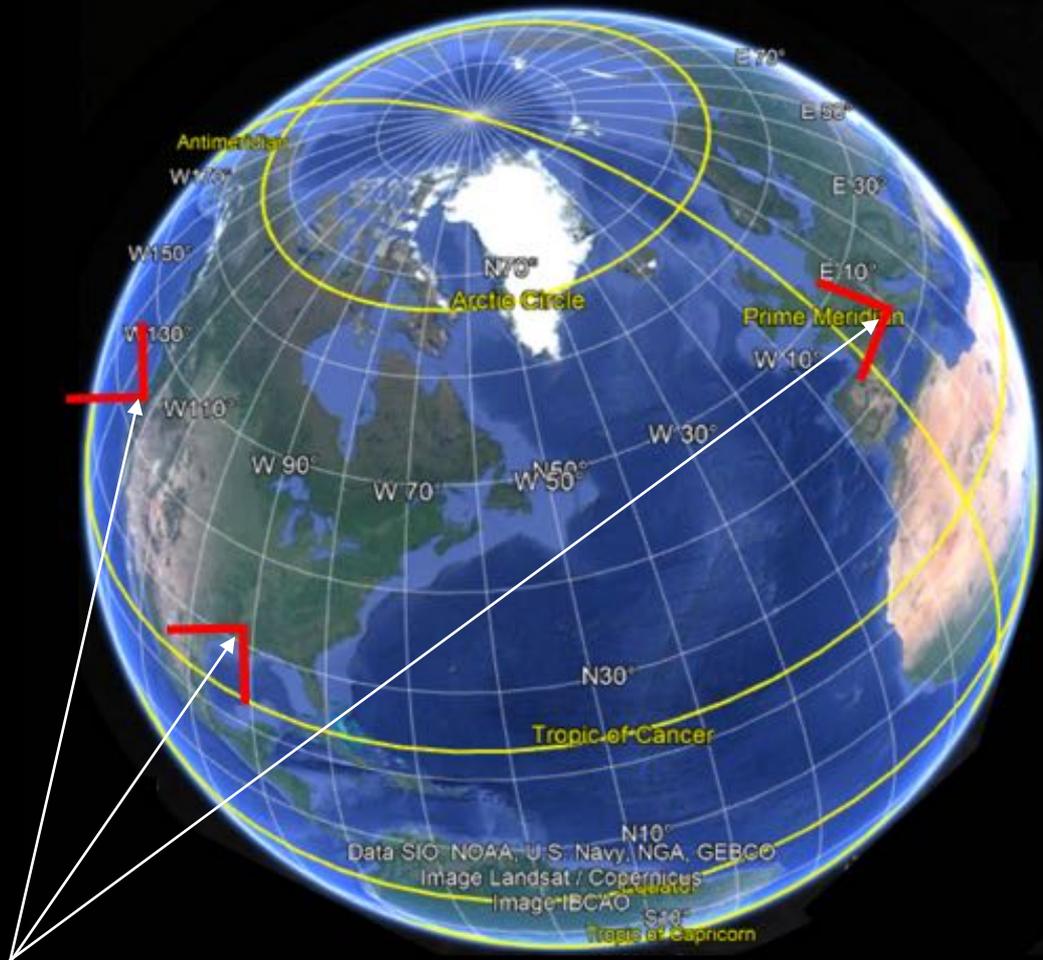
VIRGO SI UNISCE A LIGO NELLA PRESA DATI

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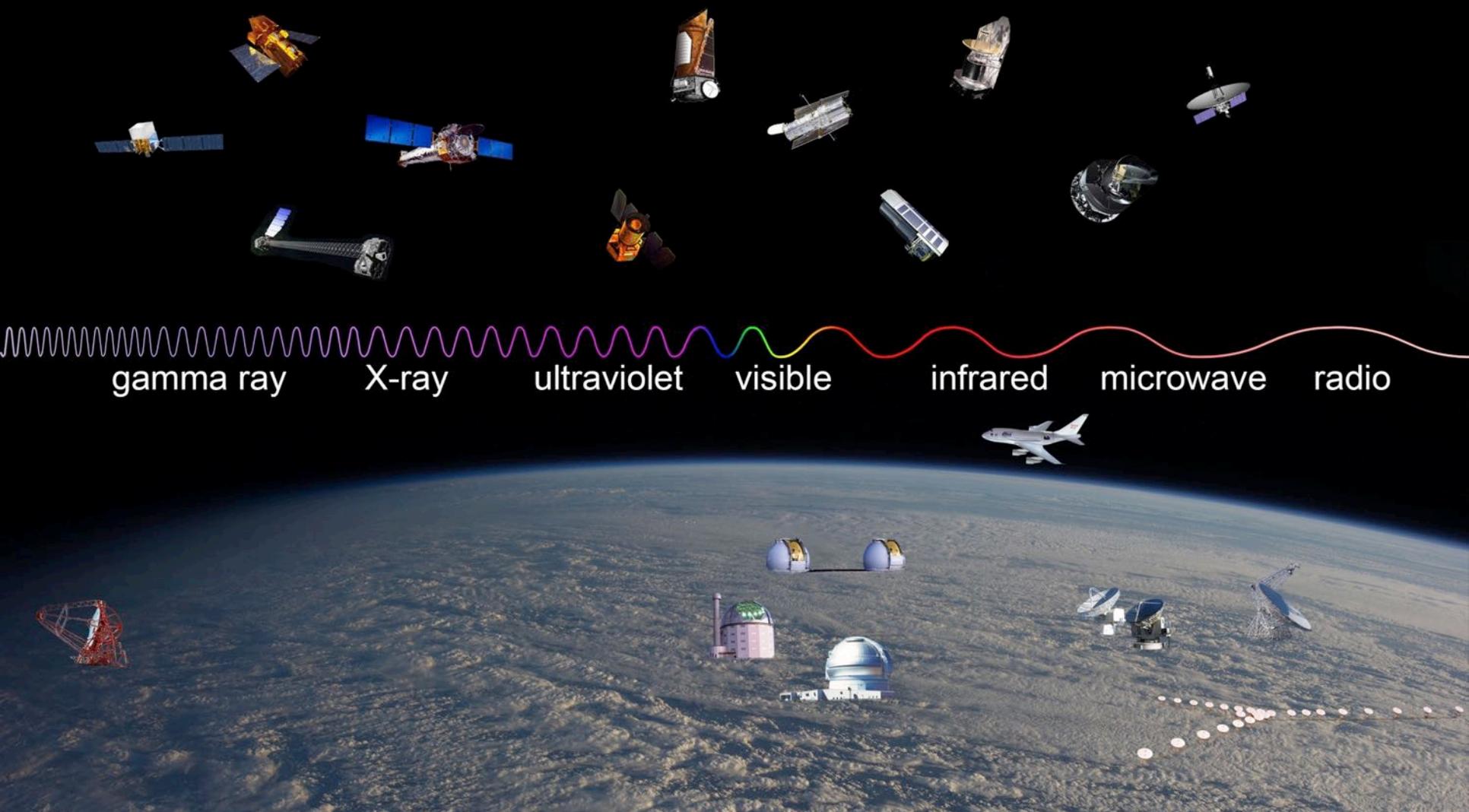


CON VIRGO LA ACCURATEZZA  
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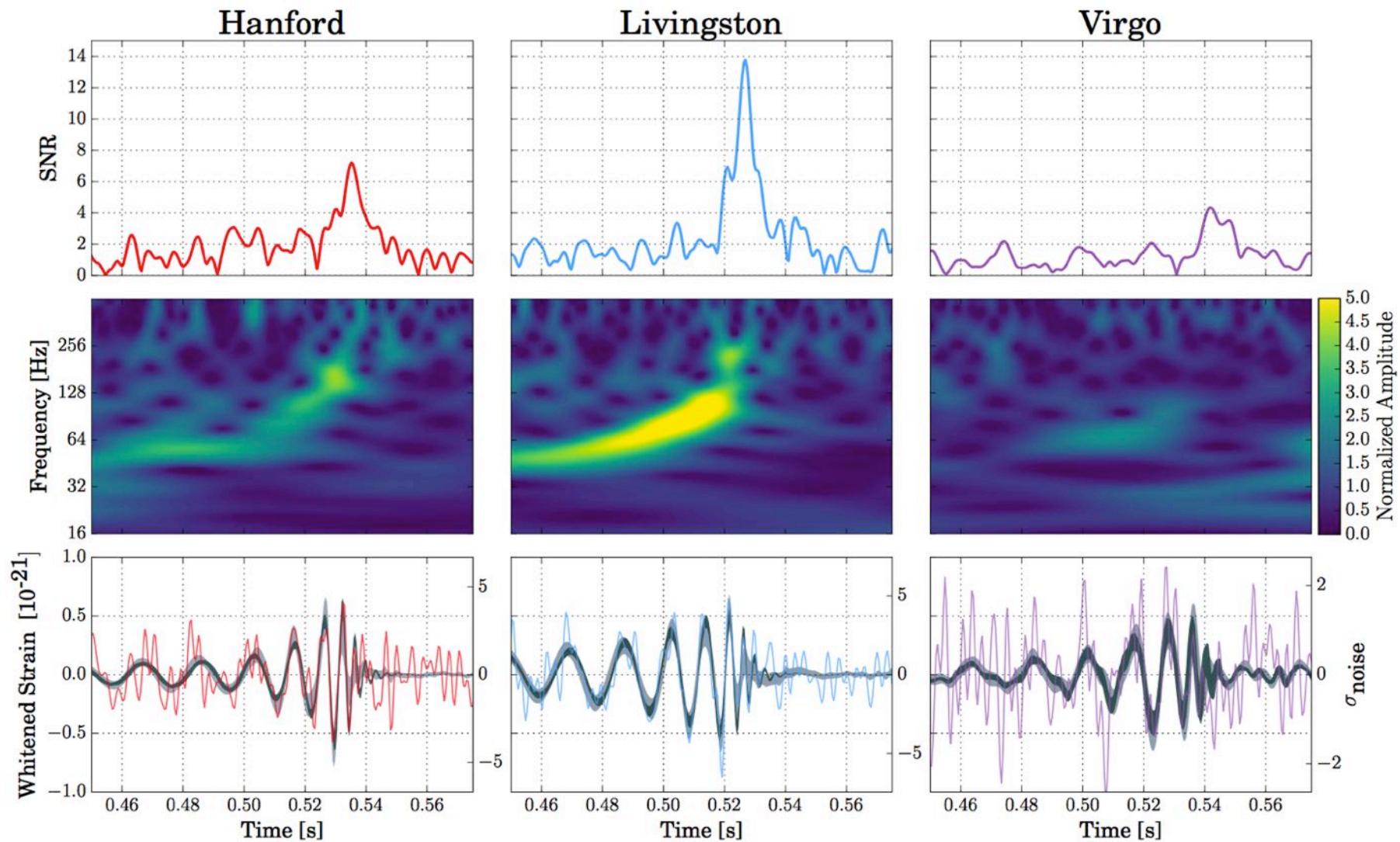


Credit: LIGO-Virgo





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Primary black hole mass  $m_1$   $30.5^{+5.7}_{-3.0} M_{\odot}$

Secondary black hole mass  $m_2$   $25.3^{+2.8}_{-4.2} M_{\odot}$

Chirp mass  $\mathcal{M}$   $24.1^{+1.4}_{-1.1} M_{\odot}$

Total mass  $M$   $55.9^{+3.4}_{-2.7} M_{\odot}$

Final black hole mass  $M_f$   $53.2^{+3.2}_{-2.5} M_{\odot}$

Radiated energy  $E_{\text{rad}}$   $2.7^{+0.4}_{-0.3} M_{\odot} c^2$

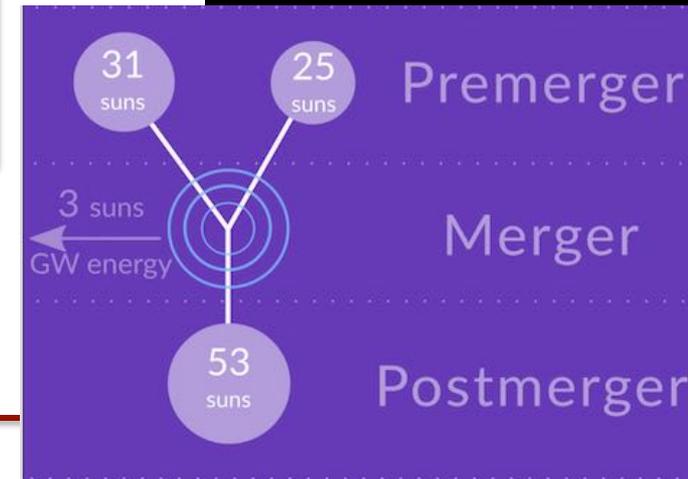
Peak luminosity  $\ell_{\text{peak}}$   $3.7^{+0.5}_{-0.5} \times 10^{56} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

Effective inspiral spin parameter  $\chi_{\text{eff}}$   $0.06^{+0.12}_{-0.12}$

Final black hole spin  $a_f$   $0.70^{+0.07}_{-0.05}$

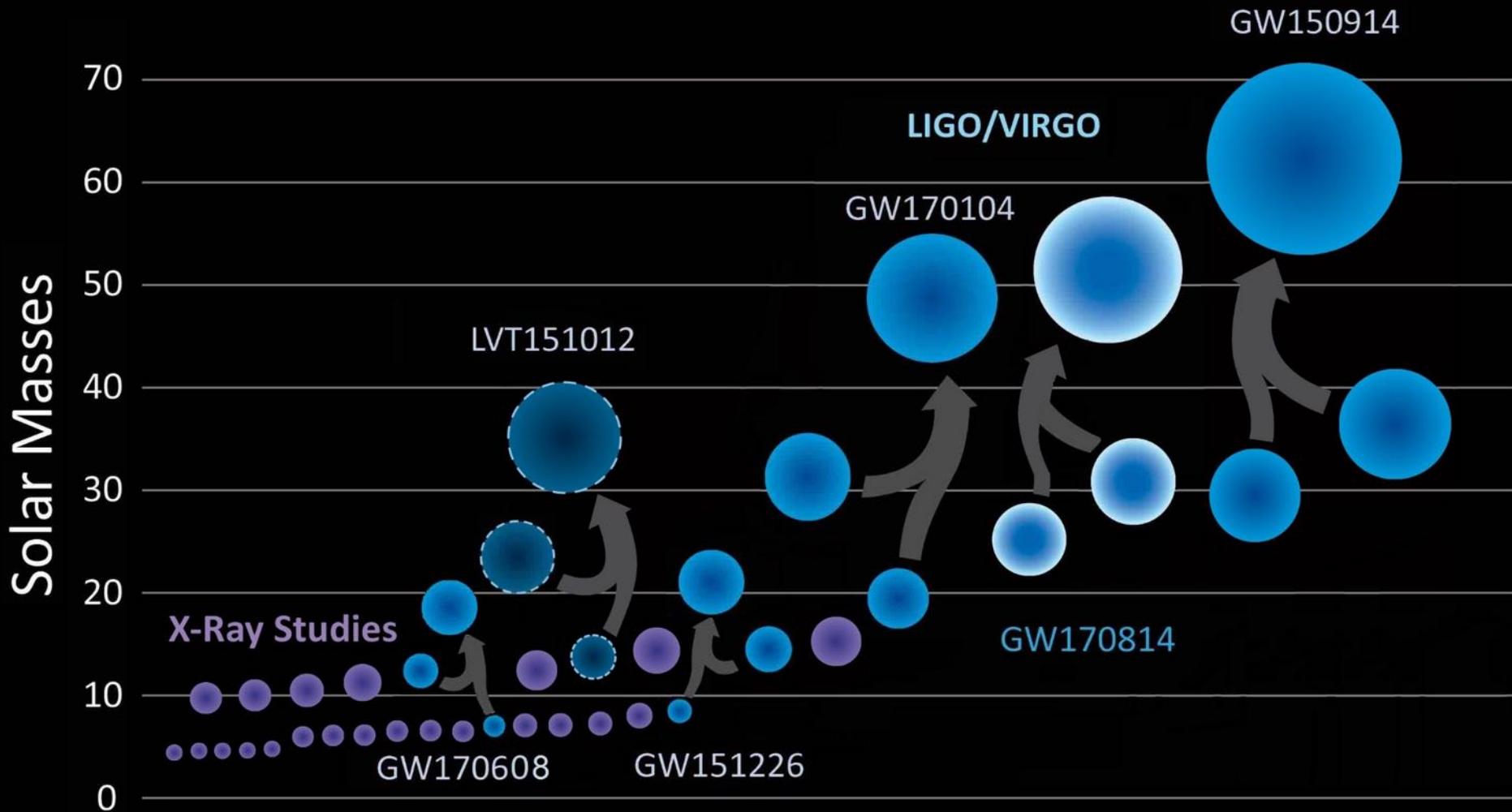
Luminosity distance  $D_L$   $540^{+130}_{-210} \text{ Mpc}$

Source redshift  $z$   $0.11^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$

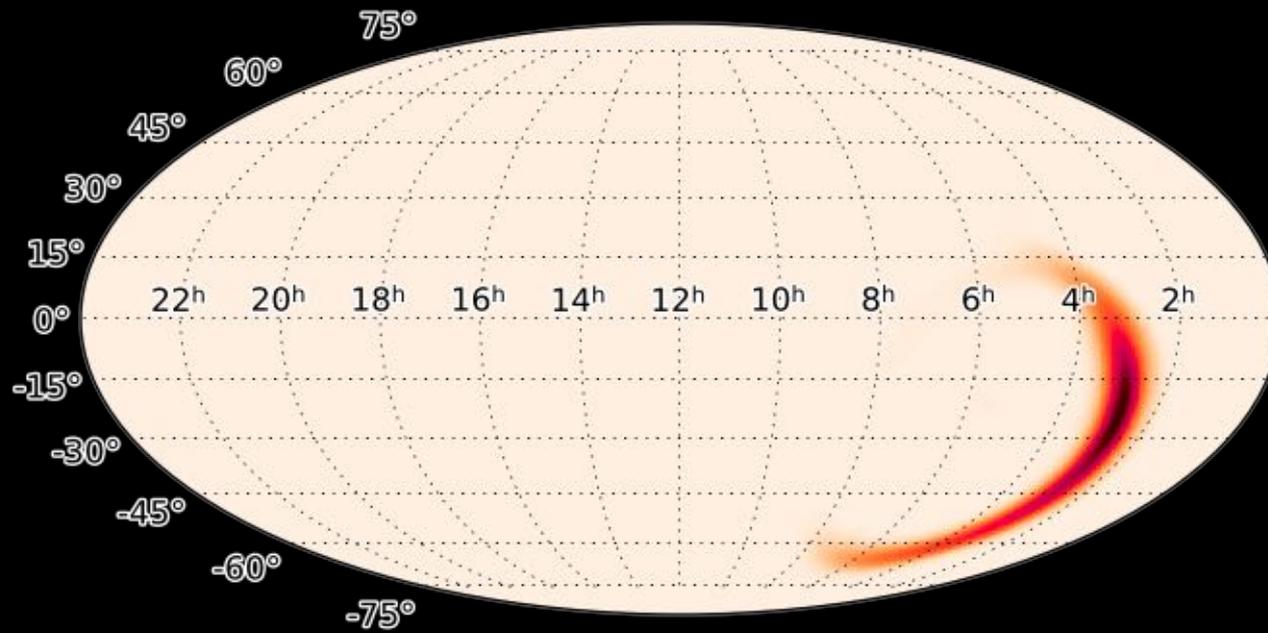


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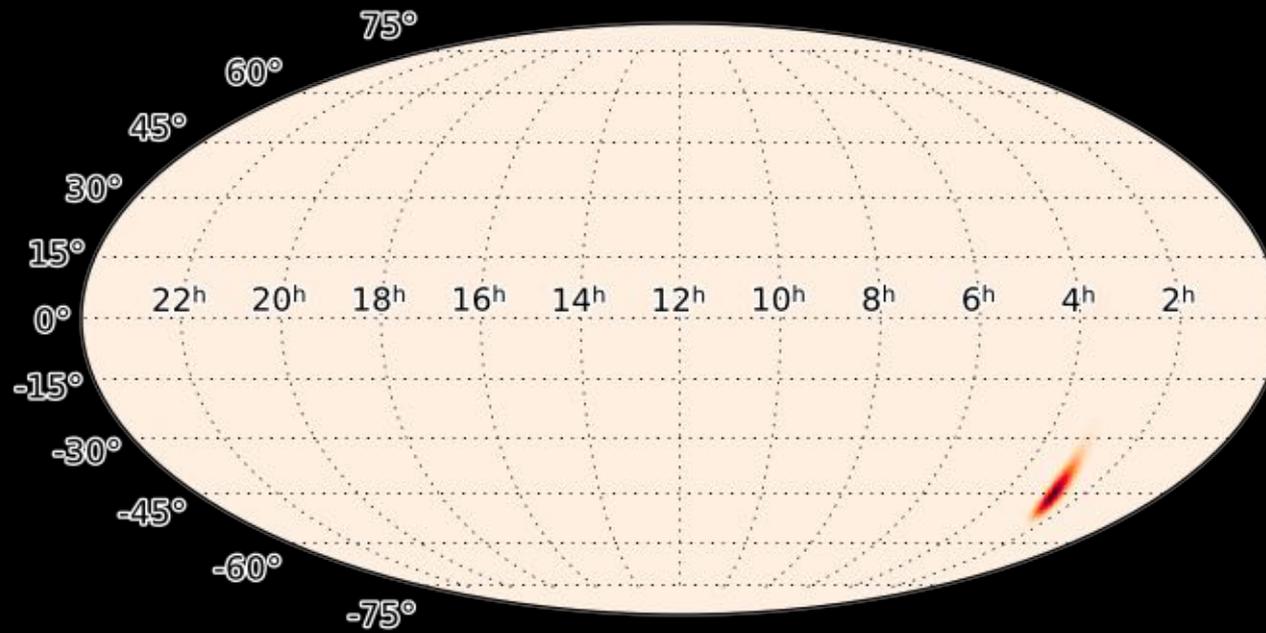
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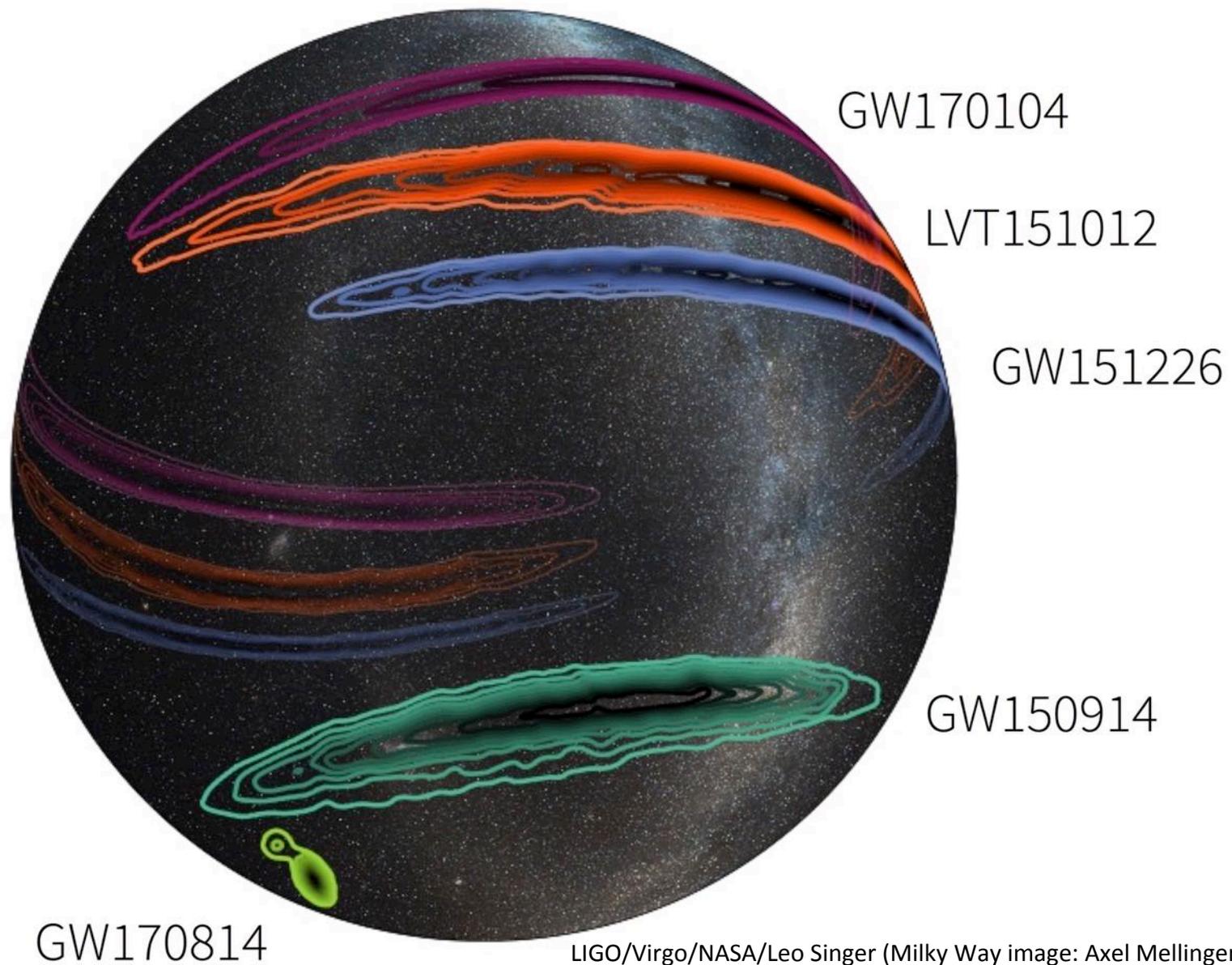


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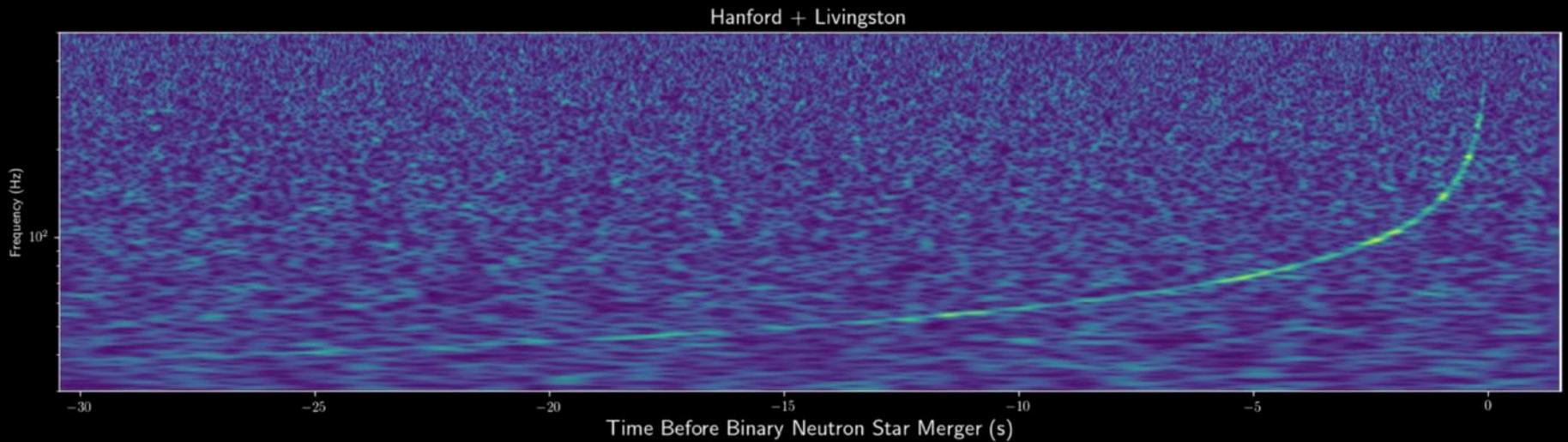




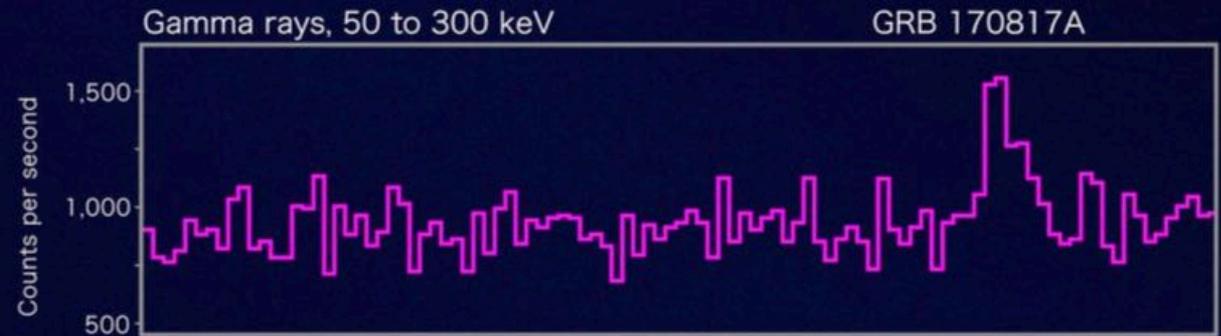
LIGO/Virgo/NASA/Leo Singer (Milky Way image: Axel Mellinger)

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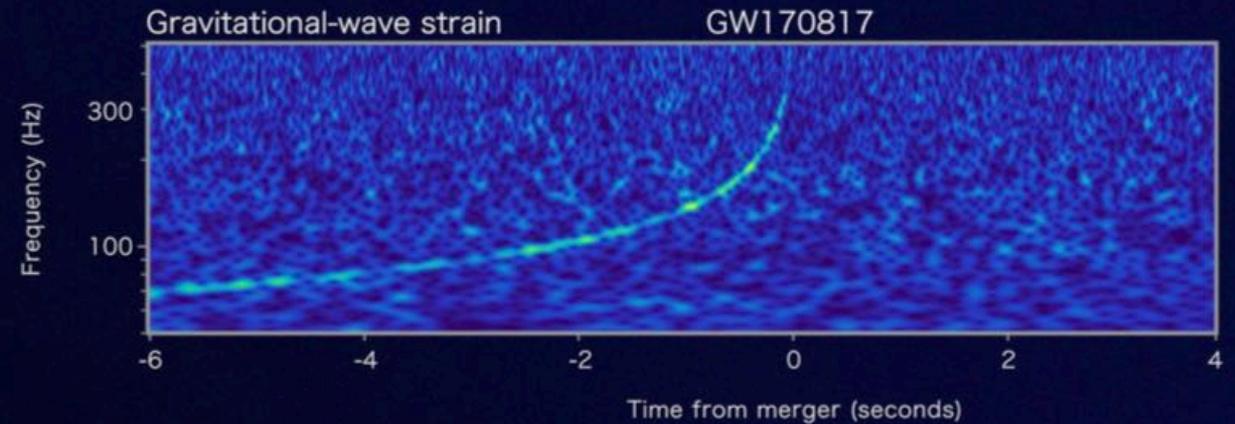
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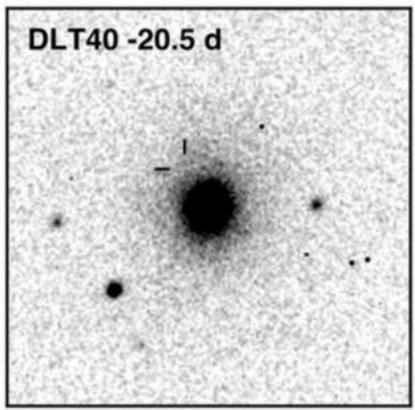
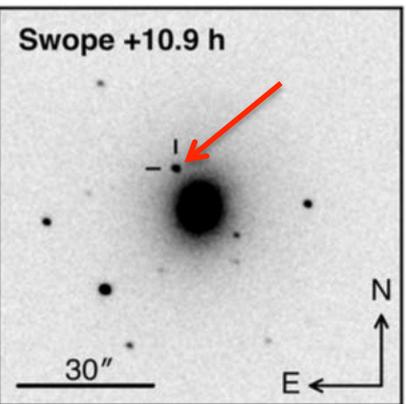
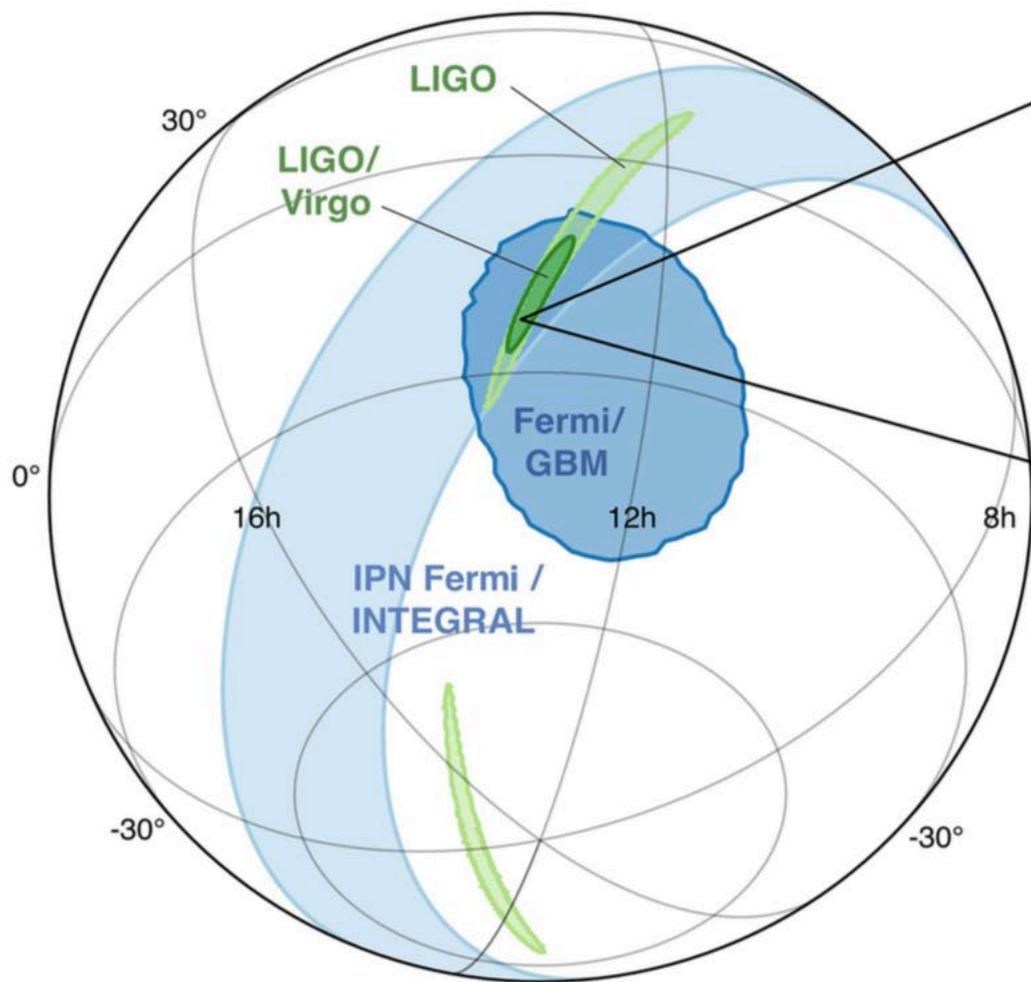
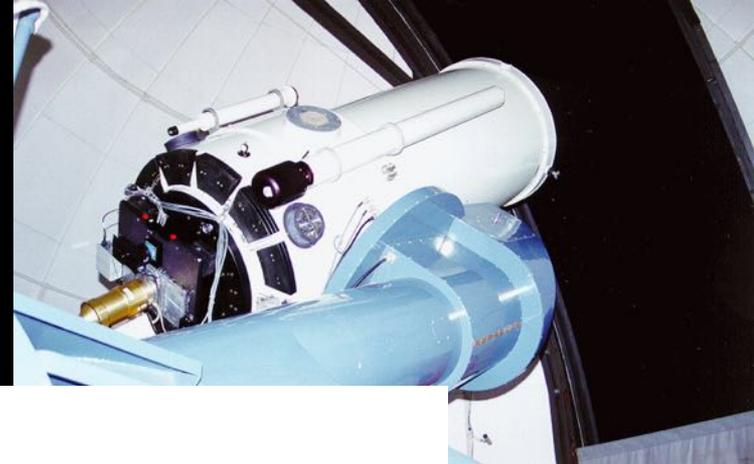


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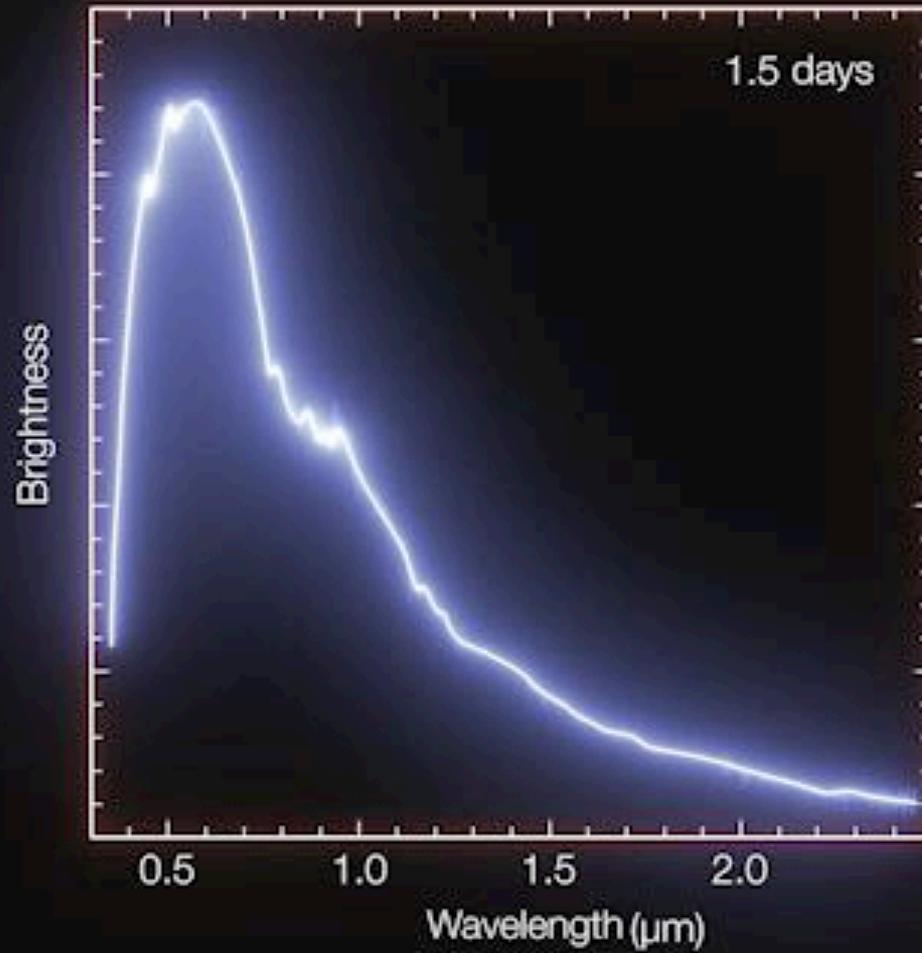
**Swope & Magellan Telescopes**

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# LA FUCINA COSMICA

## Periodic Table of the Elements

1 H																	2 He	
3 Li	4 Be											5 B	6 C	7 N	8 O	9 F	10 Ne	
11 Na	12 Mg											13 Al	14 Si	15 P	16 S	17 Cl	18 Ar	
19 K	20 Ca	21 Sc	22 Ti	23 V	24 Cr	25 Mn	26 Fe	27 Co	28 Ni	29 Cu	30 Zn	31 Ga	32 Ge	33 As	34 Se	35 Br	36 Kr	
37 Rb	38 Sr	39 Y	40 Zr	41 Nb	42 Mo	43 Tc	44 Ru	45 Rh	46 Pd	47 Ag	48 Cd	49 In	50 Sn	51 Sb	52 Te	53 I	54 Xe	
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87 Fr	88 Ra																	
		57 La	58 Ce	59 Pr	60 Nd	61 Pm	62 Sm	63 Eu	64 Gd	65 Tb	66 Dy	67 Ho	68 Er	69 Tm	70 Yb	71 Lu		
		89 Ac	90 Th	91 Pa	92 U													

**Yellow: Formed by Merging Neutron Stars**

Credit: J Johnson (OSU)



NELLA COALESCENZA VIENE  
PRODOTTA UNA MASSA DI ORO  
PARI A  $\sim 10 M_{\text{terra}}$

ABBIAMO FINALMENTE TROVATO  
LA "PIETRA FILOSOFALE"

17 AGOSTO...130 MILIONI DI ANNI FA

Credit: NASA Astrophysics

UNA MISURA DI GRANDE PRECISIONE: LA VELOCITA' DELLE ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI E' UGUALE A QUELLA DELLA LUCE ENTRO UNA PARTE SU  $10^{15}$  !!

EINSTEIN'S THEORIES  
ARE BEING  
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Figure credit: A Weinstein

~3500 scienziati, 45 Paesi, 6 continenti



# IL FUTURO



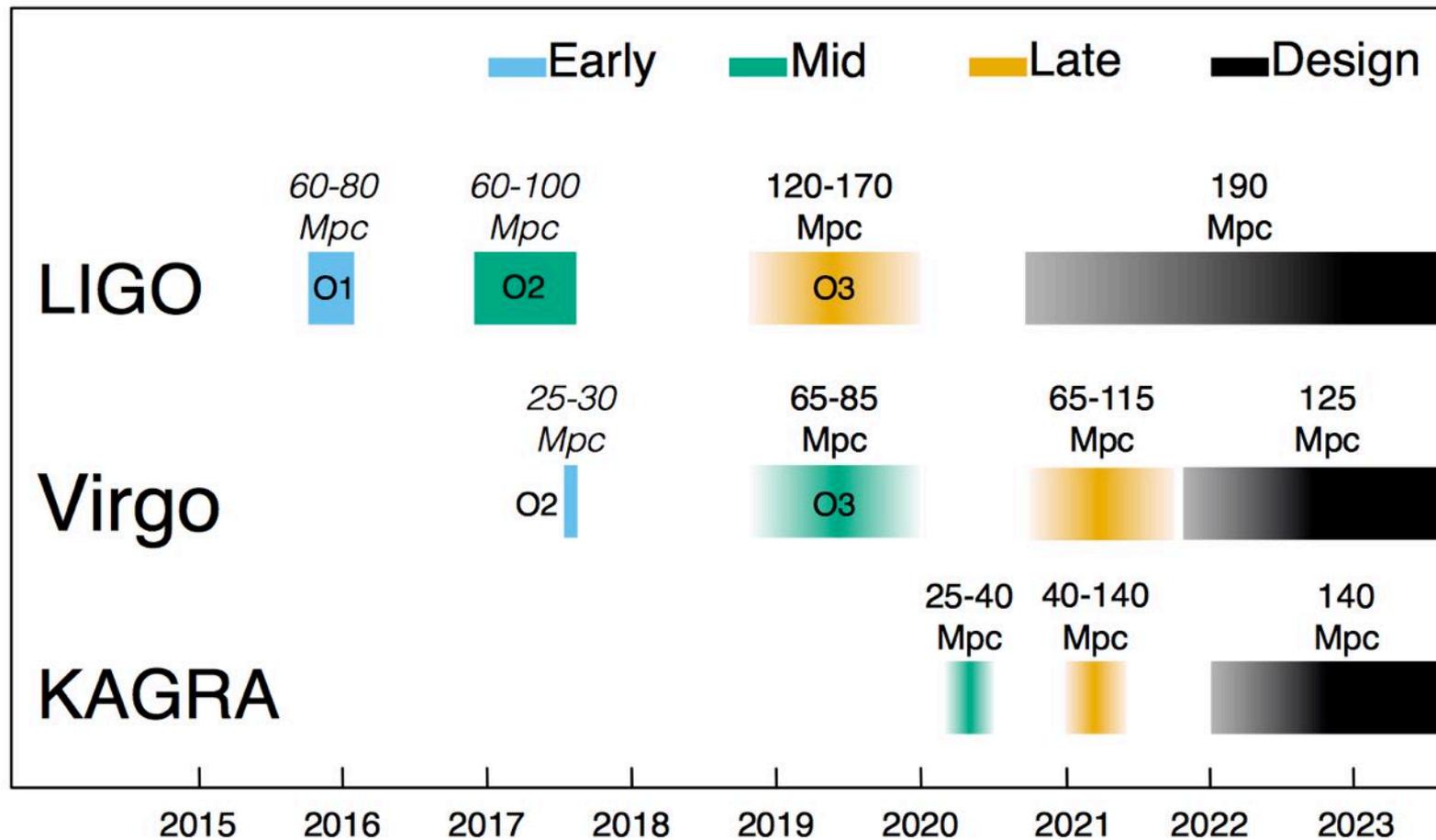
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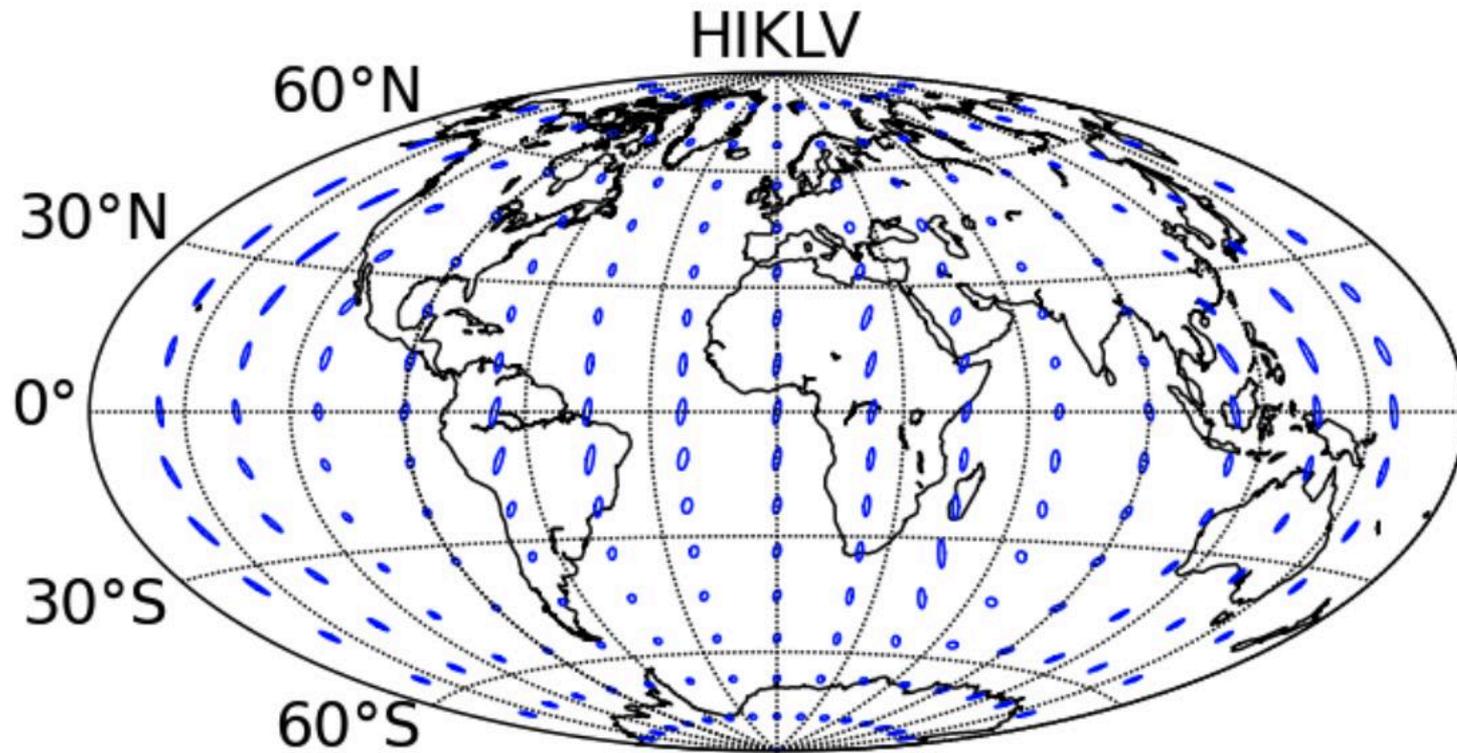


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...e dal 2024 si aggiungerà anche LIGO-India

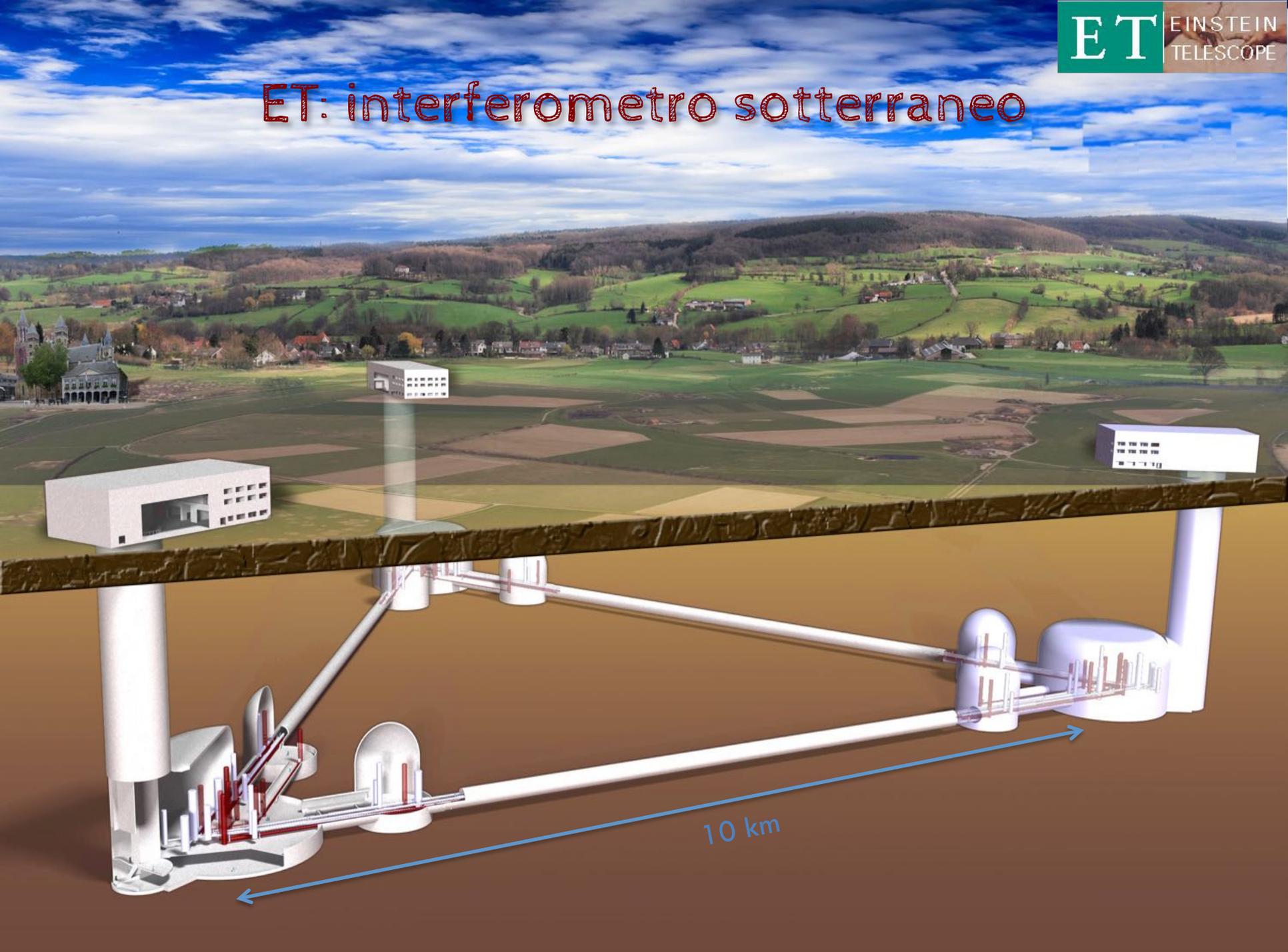
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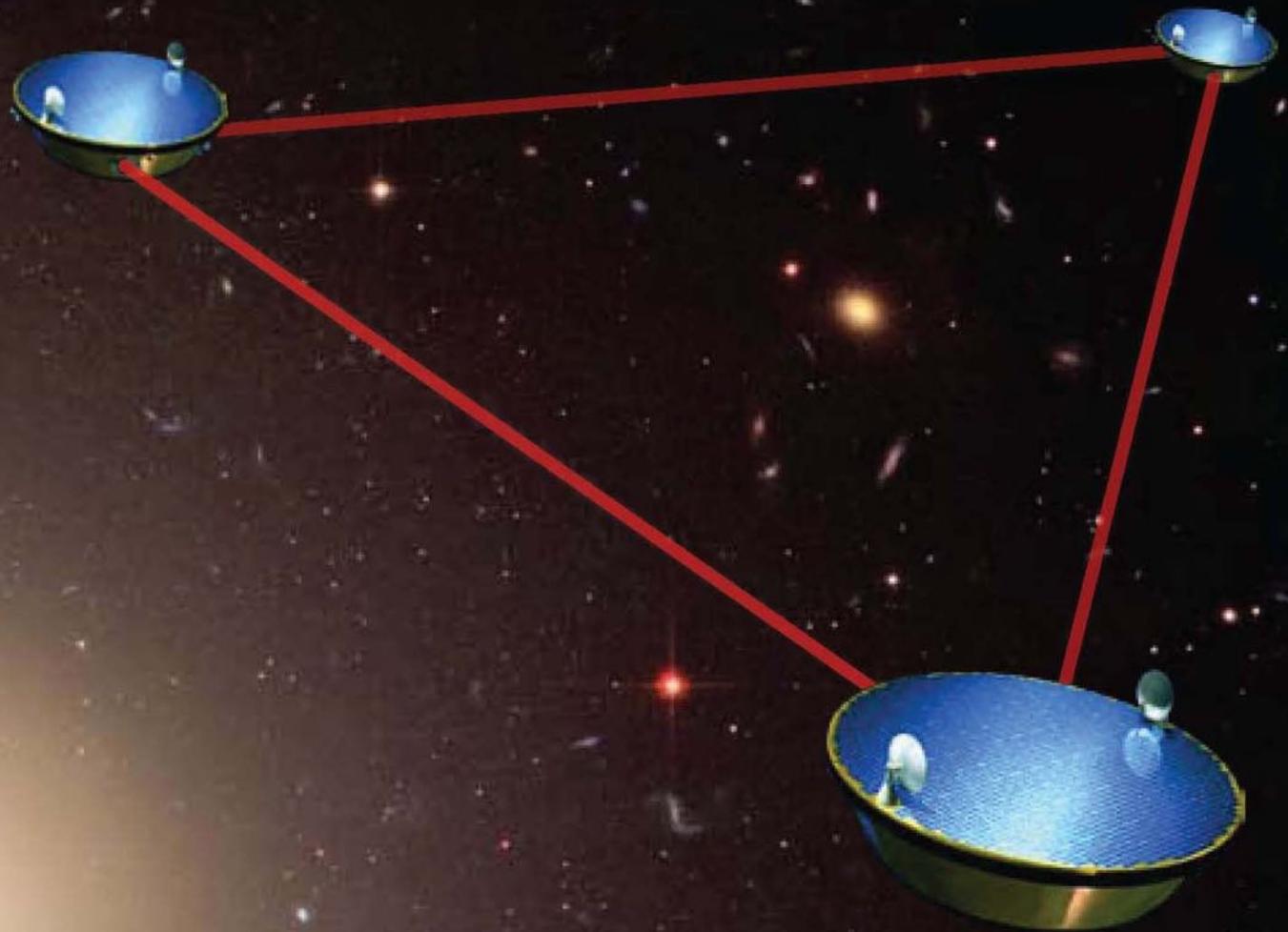
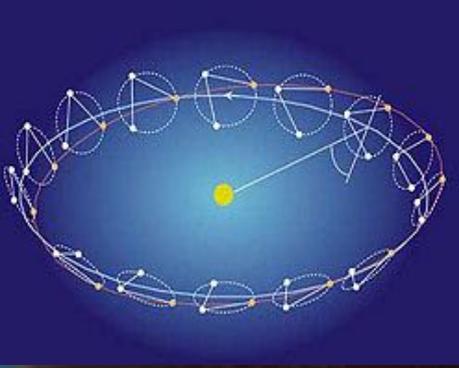
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Una rete di 5 rivelatori: localizzare la maggior parte delle sorgenti entro  $10^{\circ 2}$

# ET: interferometro sotterraneo



# LISA: interferometro spaziale



“RIVELARE LE ONDE GRAVITAZIONALI

NESSUNA IDEA ERA PIU' FOLLE DI QUESTA”

ADALBERTO GIAZOTTO