

# Is Dark Matter made of Primordial Black Holes?

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# The X-ray background

ROSAT 1998

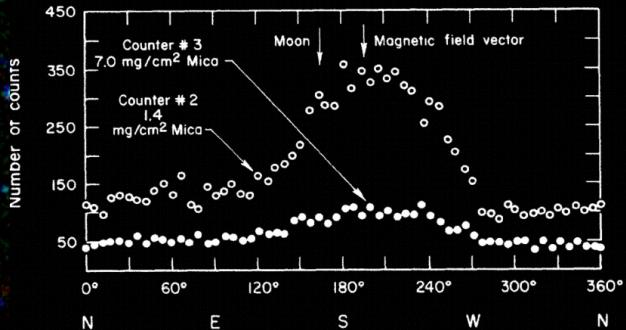
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XMM-Newton 2012

Chandra 2011



Giacconi 1962



ROSAT 1991



ROSAT 1998

The background is the echo of black hole formation and growth over cosmic time.



Keck >1994

VLT >2001

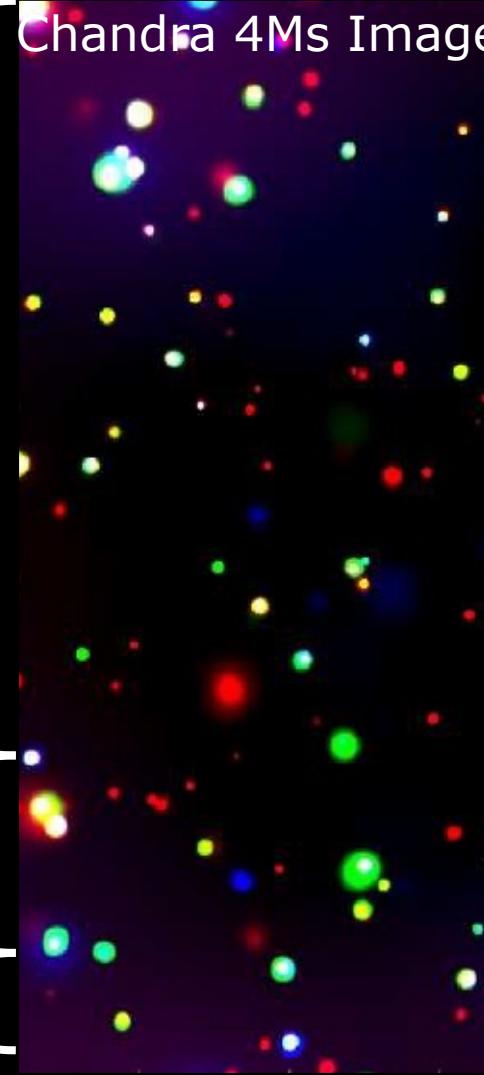
# Resolving the 0.5-2 keV X-ray background

75-80% ROSAT sources

90-95% Chandra/XMM sources

Few % Stacking Galaxies  
1% Correlation with CIB

Chandra 4Ms Image



# CIB x CXB fluctuations indicate high-z BH population

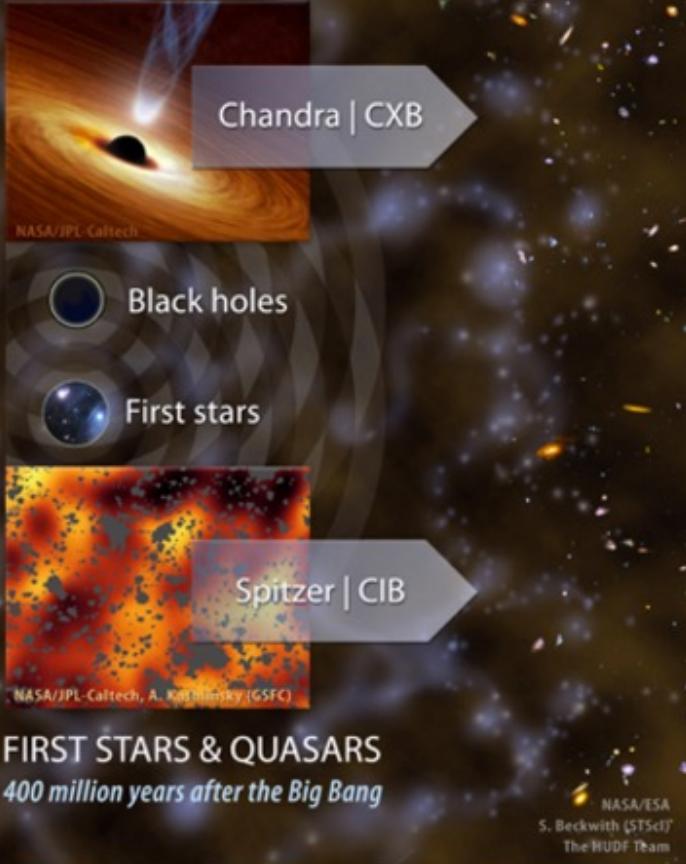


**INFANT UNIVERSE** *13.8 billion years ago*  
with seeds of future galaxies

**COSMIC DARK AGES**  
*380,000 to 400 million years  
after the Big Bang*

K. Teramura, UHIfA

NASA WMAP  
Science Team



Significant cosmic background fluctuations have been found both in the NIR and in X-rays.

The strong CIB/CXB cross-correlation signal indicates a substantial contribution of Black Holes to the signal.

There is no correlation with fluctuations in the deepest HST images, therefore the signal likely comes from redshifts  $z>13$ .

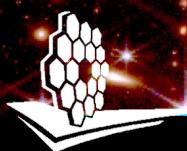
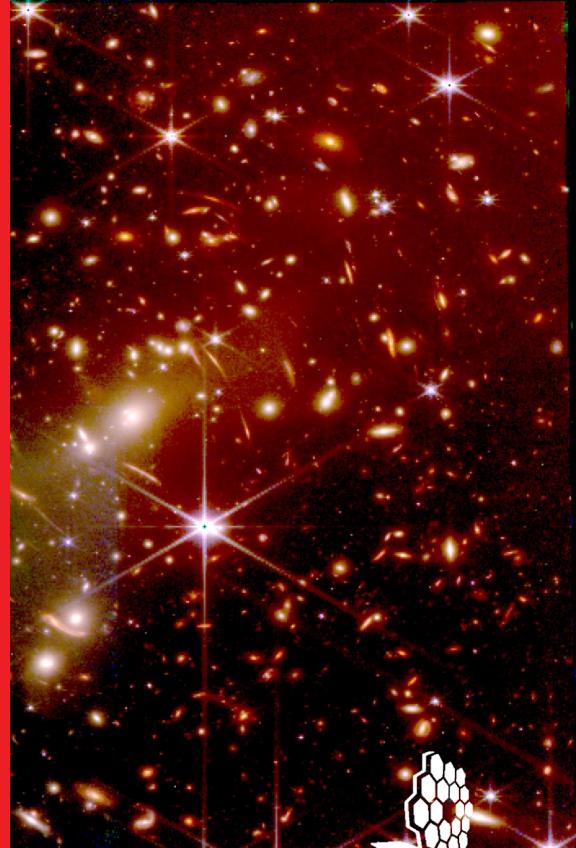
Large angular scale also points to high-z origin.

Could these be primordial?

Cappelluti et al., 2013

# The first JWST Deep Image revealed by President Biden!

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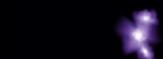


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# How to produce the first proto-quasars



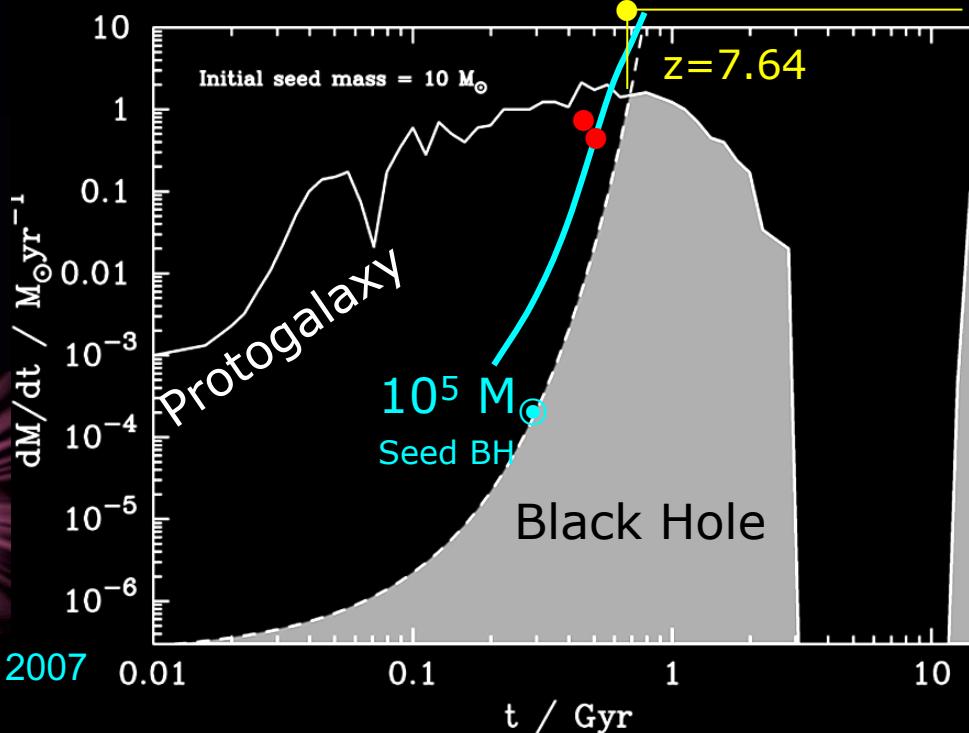
$z=12.75$



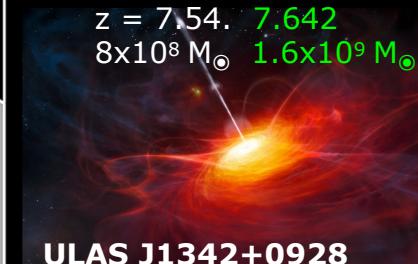
$20 \text{ kpc}$   
 $z=9.17$



$z=6.54$



$10^9 M_{\odot}$   
known QSO



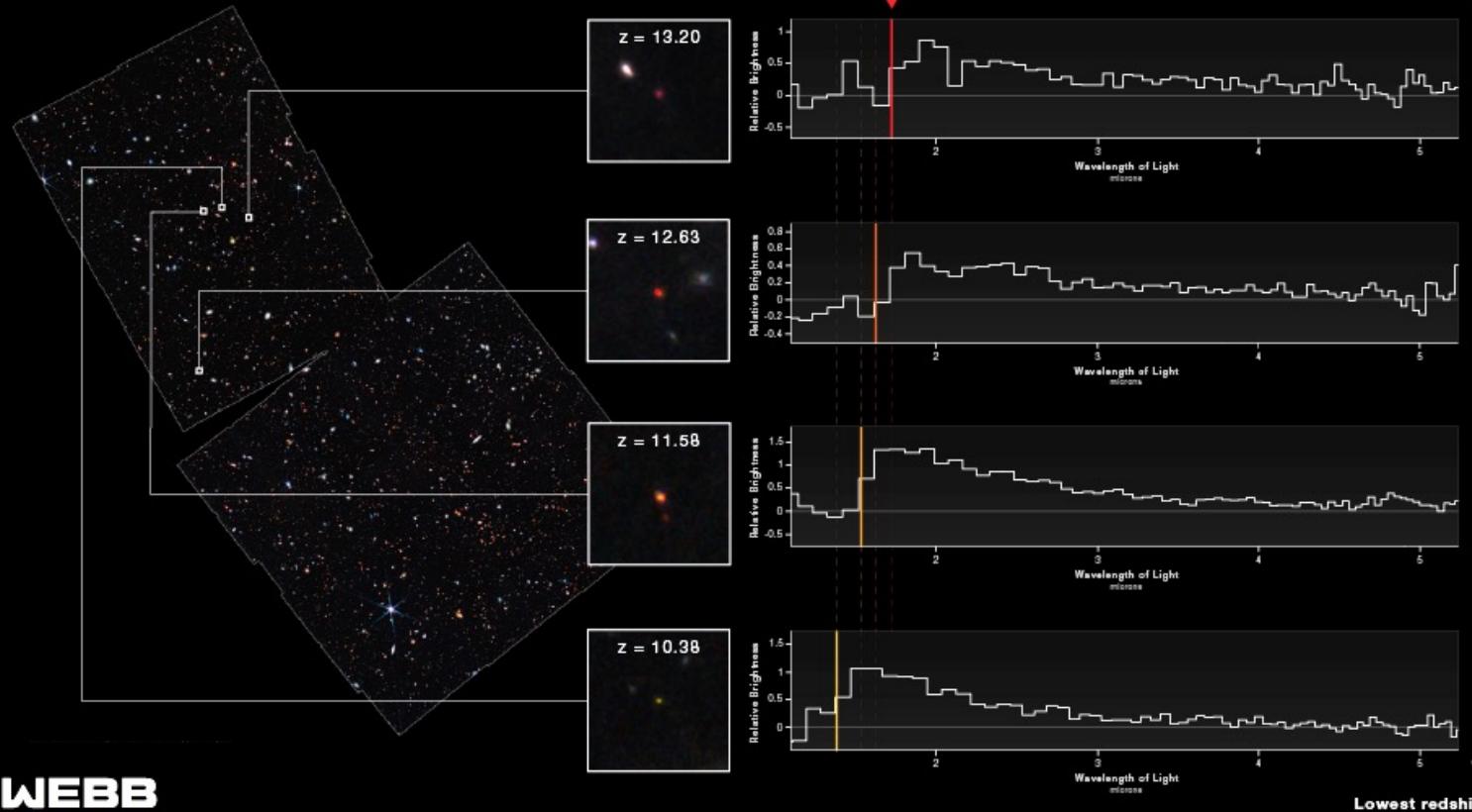
**J0313-1806**  
(Wang et al. 2021)

Larsen et al. 2023 &  
Goulding et al. 2023:  
JWST discoveries of  
most distant BHs at  
 $z=9 \& 10.1$  at  $10^{7-8} M_{\odot}$

Archibald et al., 2001

Need massive ( $10^{5-7} M_{\odot}$ ) seed Black Holes early in the Universe !

# JWST: new distance records!



325 Myr

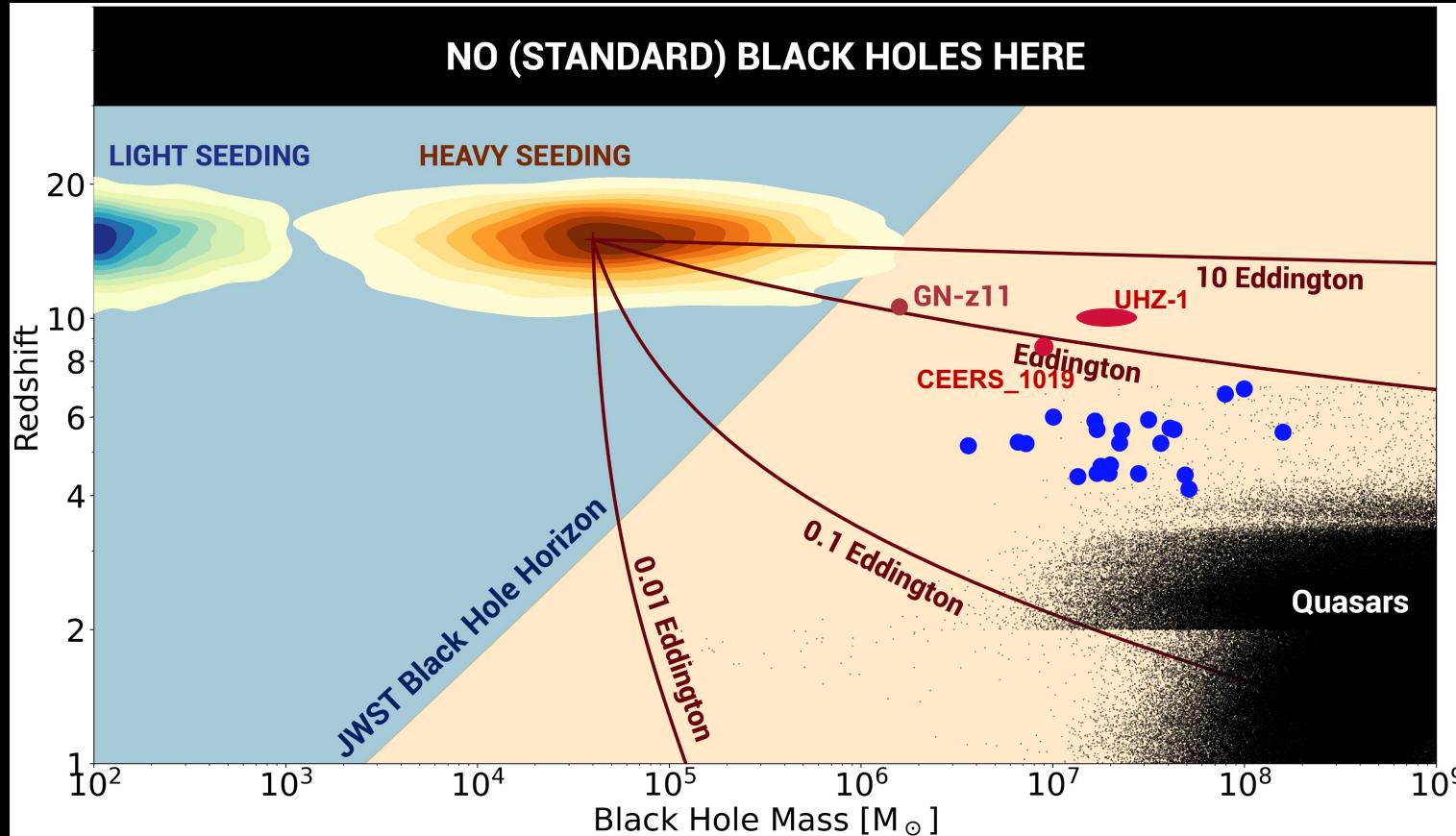
346 Myr

390 Myr

454 Myr

after Big Bang

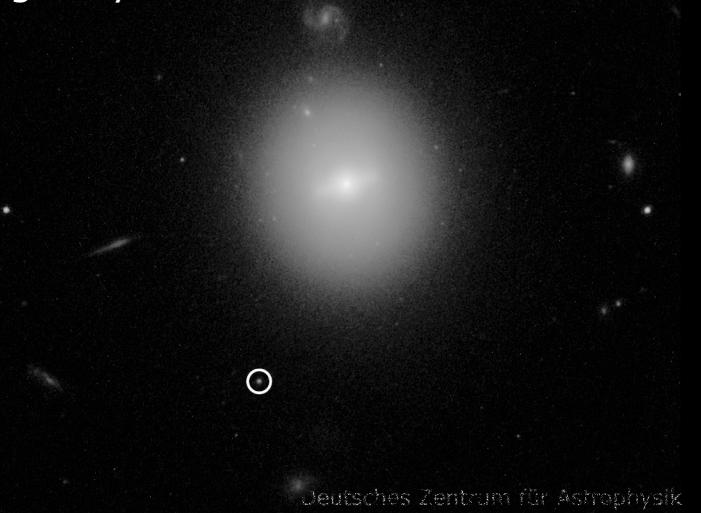
# Evidence for Heavy Seeds gets stronger!



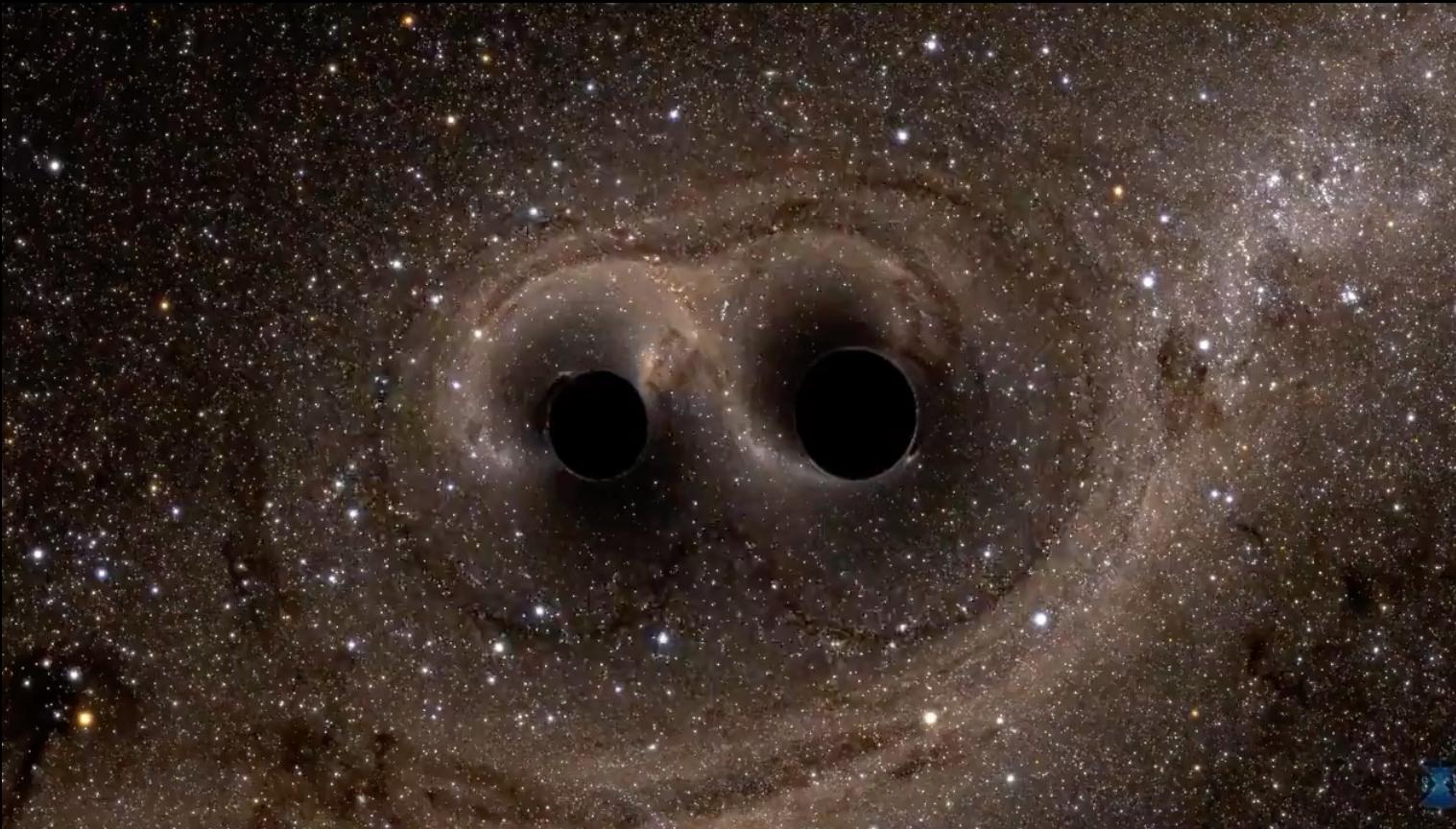
# Hubble reveals an “Intermediary” Black Hole



The X-ray telescopes XMM-Newton and Chandra have detected a Black Hole, which is just in the process of disrupting and swallowing a star. The Hubble Space Telescope showed that this is an “Intermediary” Black Hole of about 50.000 solar masses in a globular cluster of another galaxy.



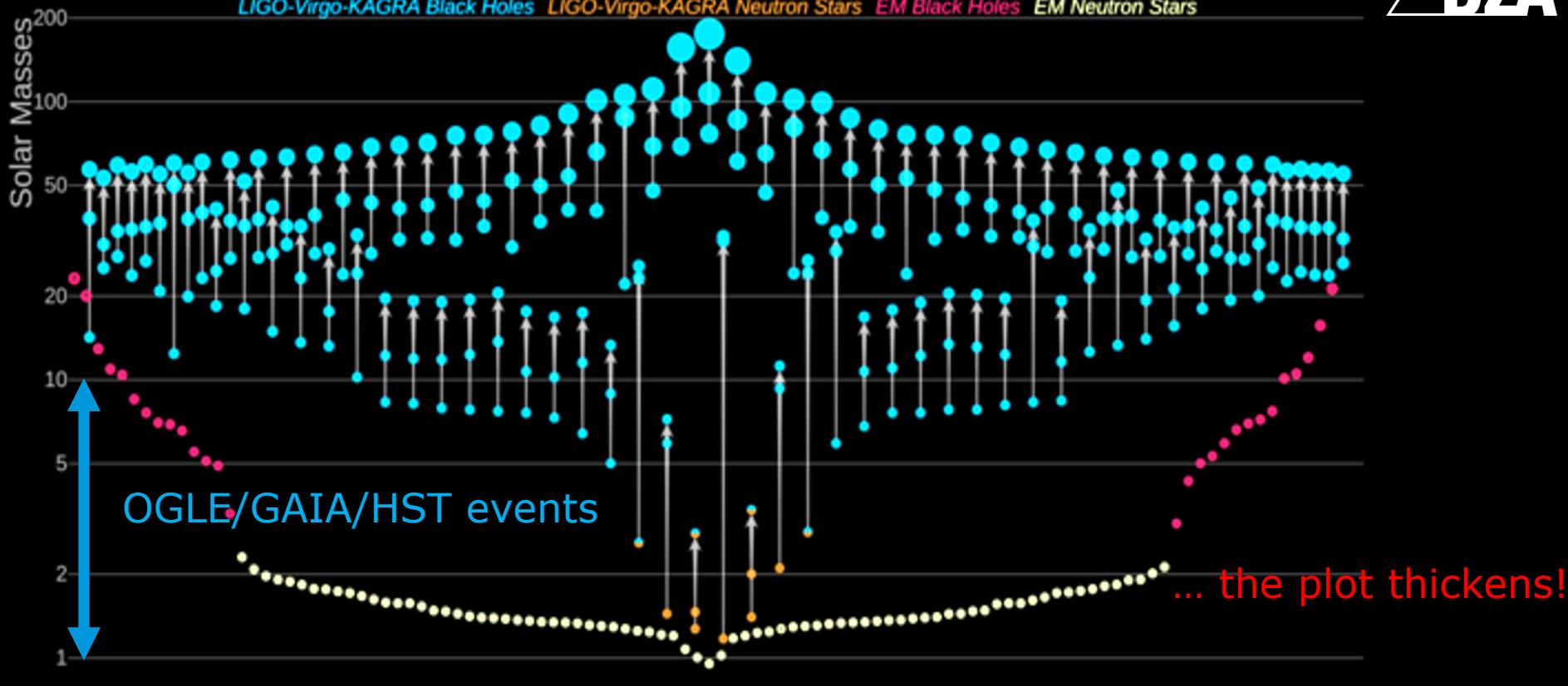
# Simulation of the merger between two Black Holes



LIGO/Virgo/  
Kagra/GEO 04  
observations  
start in May  
2023!



# Masses in the Stellar Graveyard



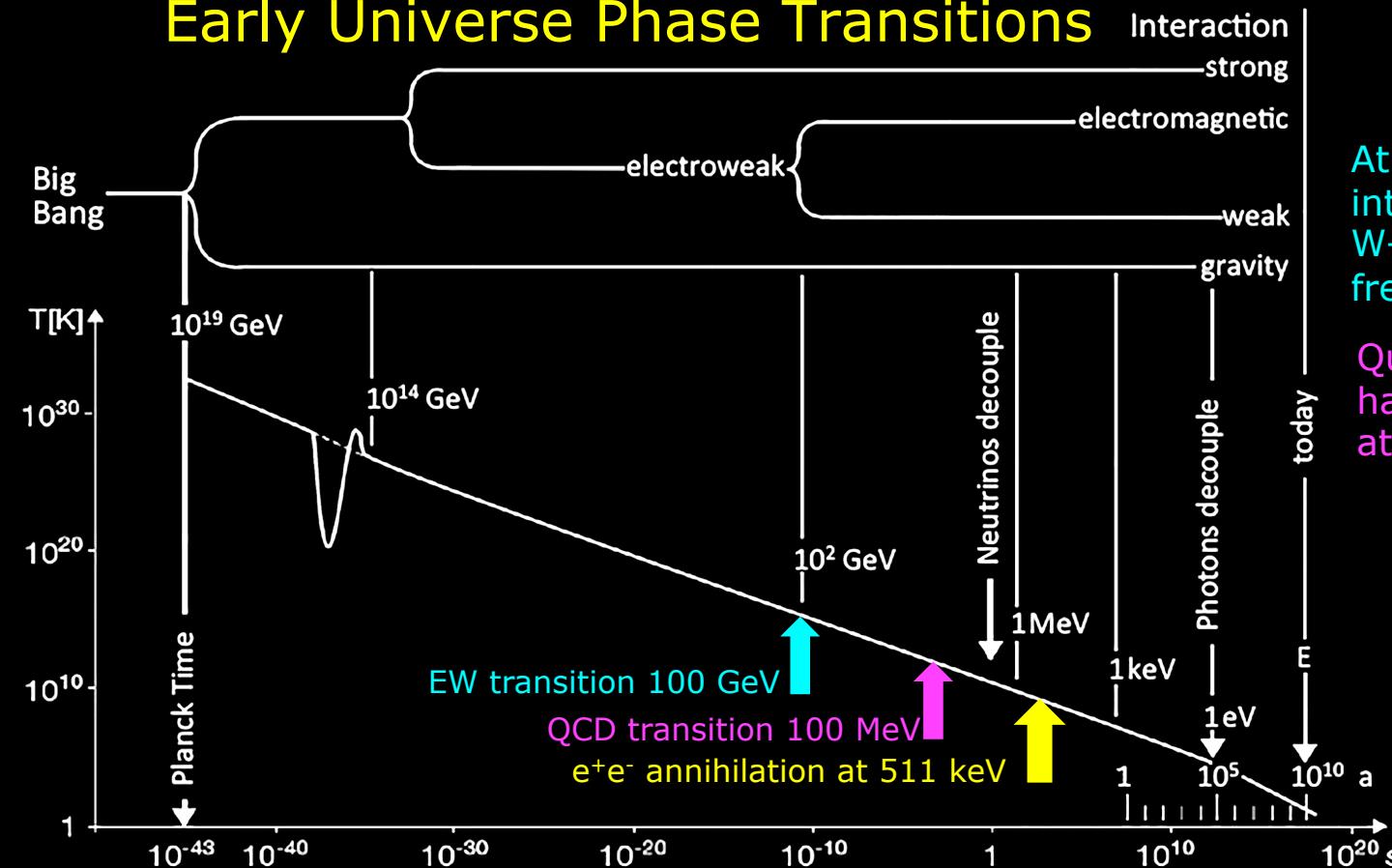
LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA | Aaron Geller | Northwestern

# What is Dark Matter?



Generations of physicists are desperately searching the Dark Matter particle. Primordial Black Holes may be an alternative.

# Early Universe Phase Transitions

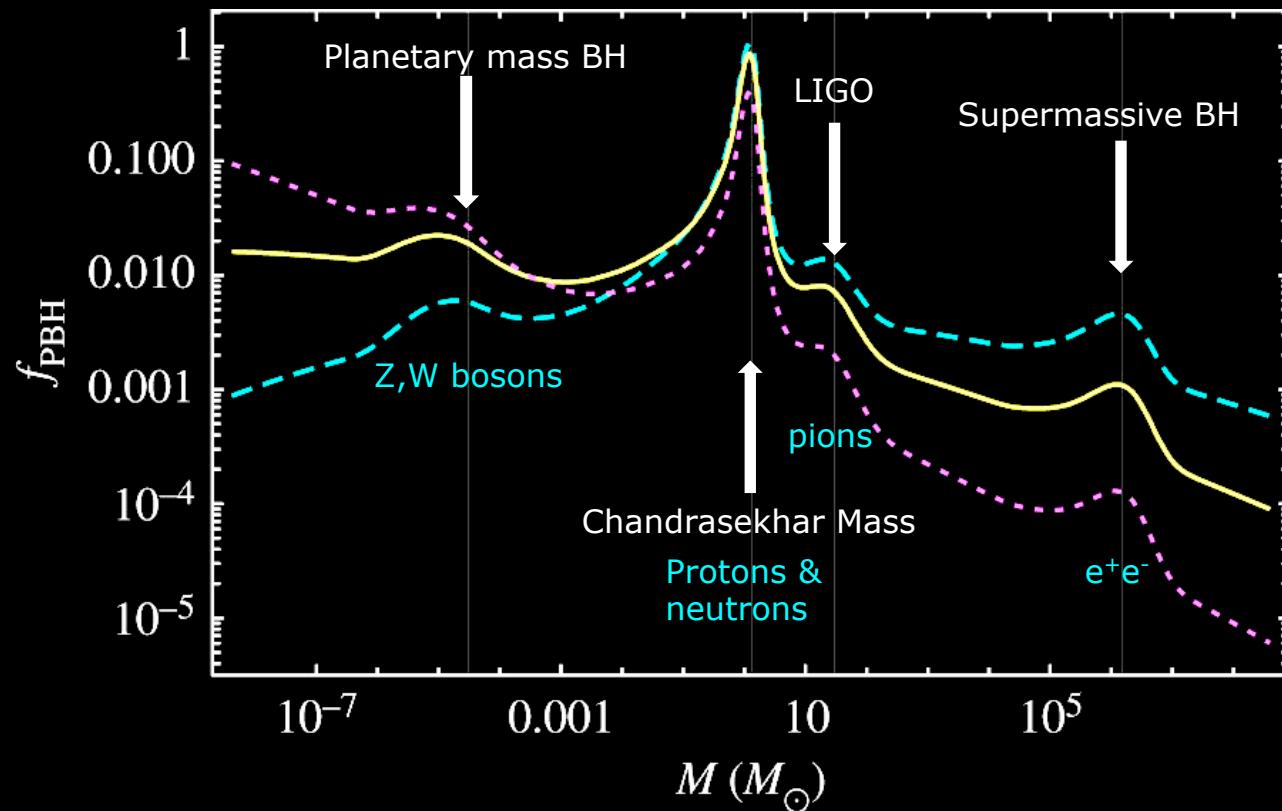


At the electroweak interaction scale the first W- and Z-bosons are freezing out.

Quarks freeze out to form hadrons (baryons, pions) at the QCD transition.

Each of these transitions leaves an imprint on the thermal history of the universe and enables black hole collapse.

# PBH Mass Spectrum



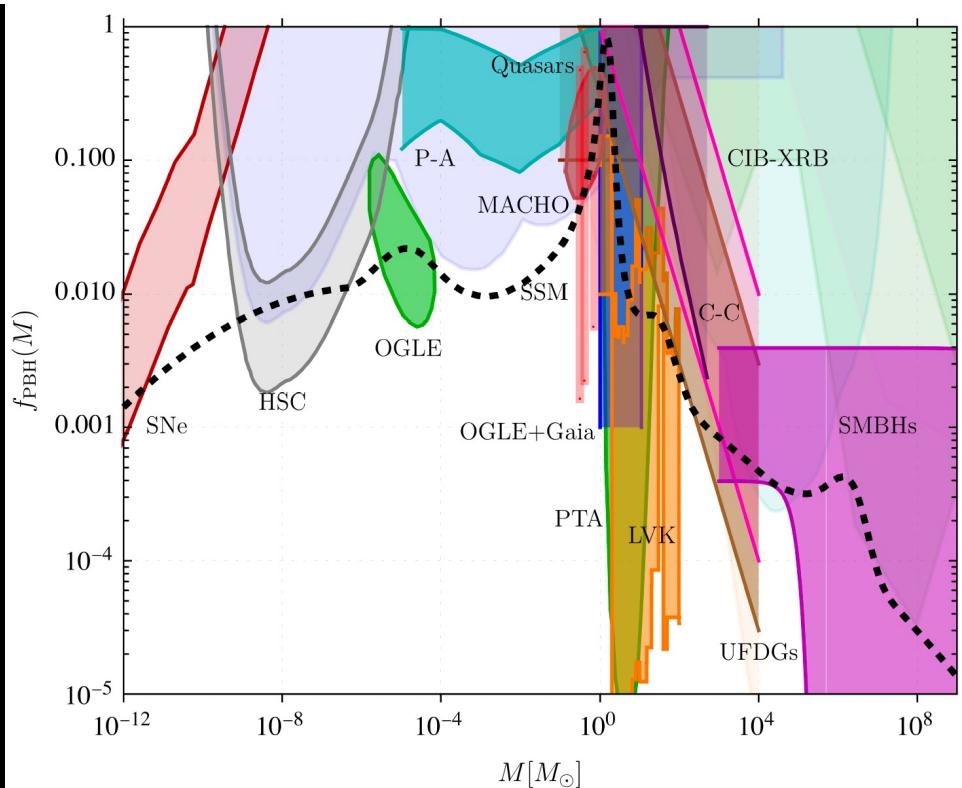
Different peaks correspond to different particles created at the early universe phase transitions and the corresponding reduction in the sound velocity.

BH mass corresponds to the horizon size at each time.

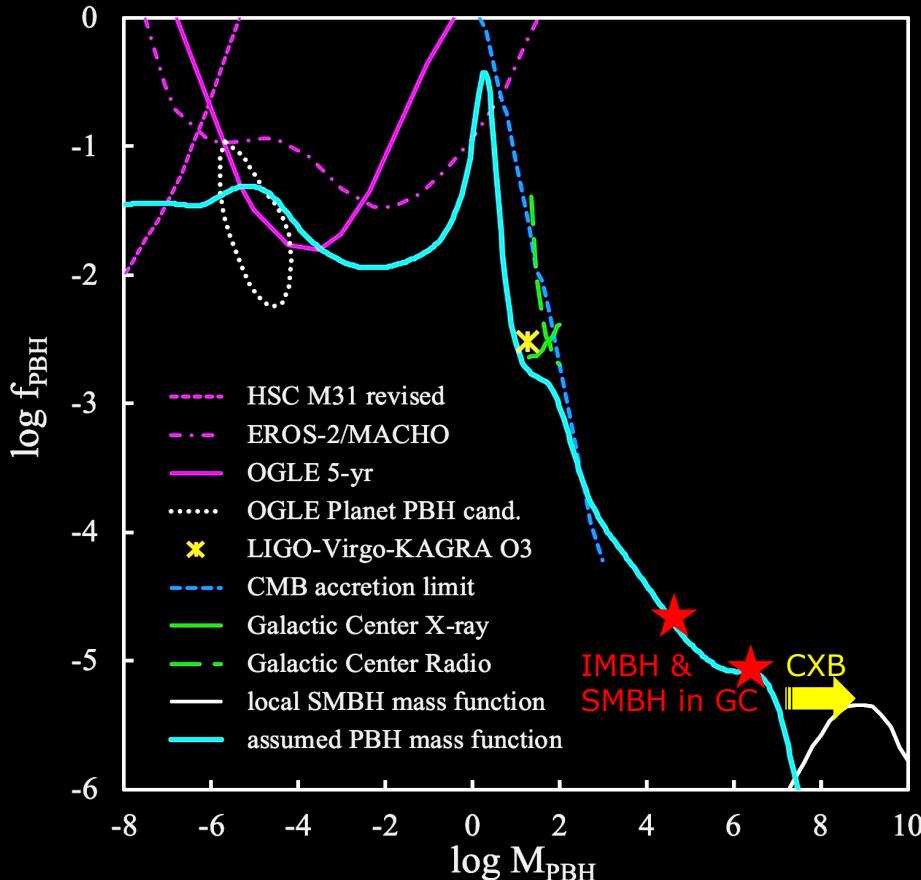
Only requirement is enough fluctuation power in a volume fraction of  $10^{-9}$  of the early Universe.

# Observational Evidence for Primordial Black Holes: A Positivist Perspective

B. J. Carr,<sup>1,\*</sup> S. Clesse,<sup>2,†</sup> J. García-Bellido,<sup>3,‡</sup> M. R. S. Hawkins,<sup>4,§</sup> and F. Kühnel<sup>5,¶</sup>



# PBH mass spectrum assumed for our work



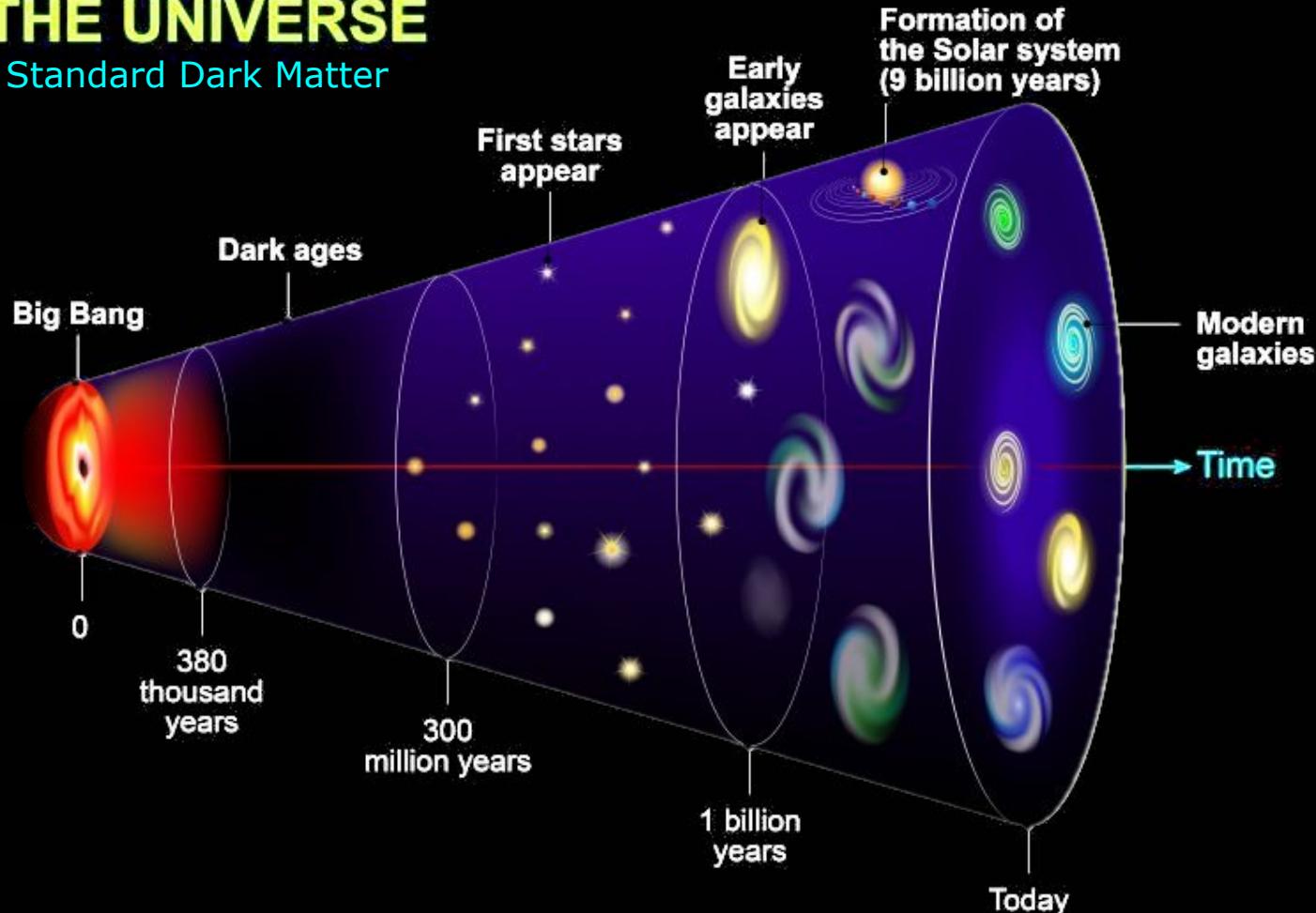
Bernard Carr, Juan García-Bellido et al. are working on a new version of their PBH mass spectrum, which assumes a rolling index of the primordial power spectrum and thus has a steeper decline at large PBH masses. This is now fully consistent with all observational constraints.

This is, what we use to estimate the PBH contribution to the extragalactic backgrounds.

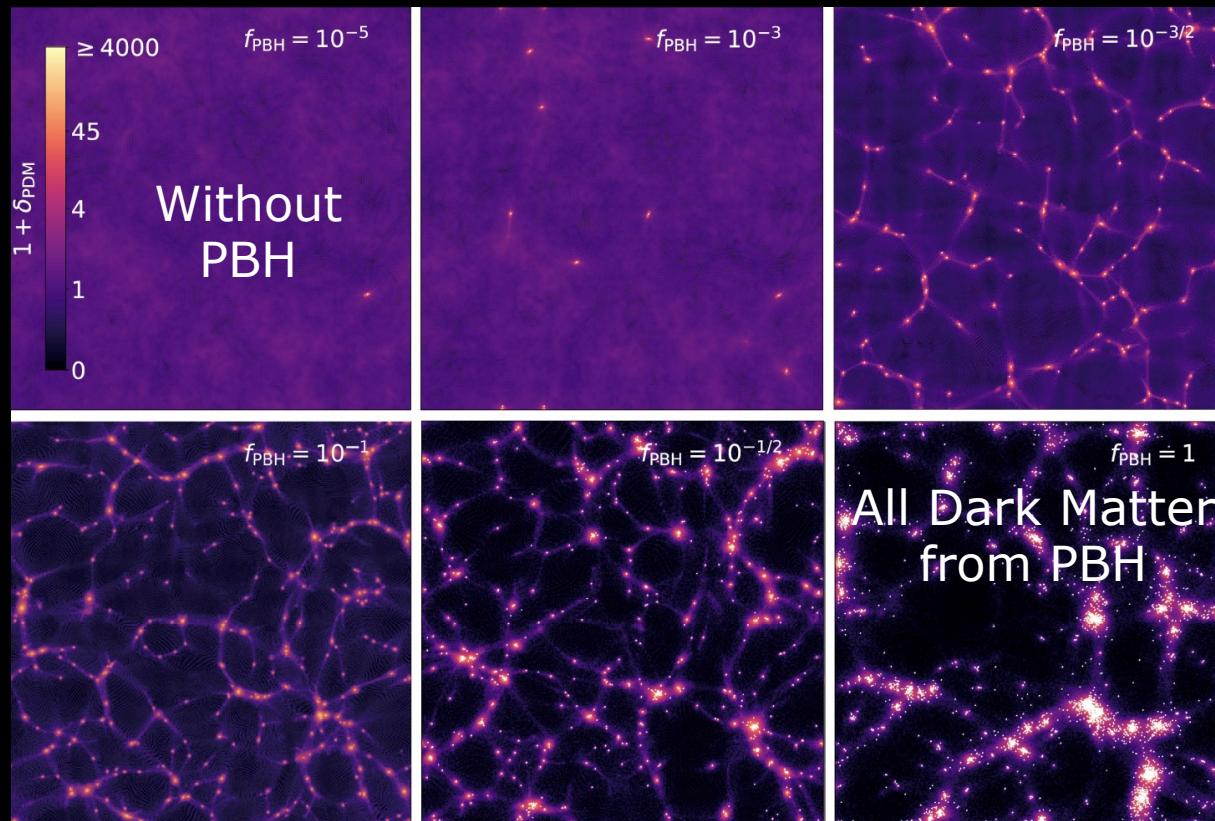
# EVOLUTION OF THE UNIVERSE



Standard Dark Matter



# Growth of Large-Scale Structure at $z=10$

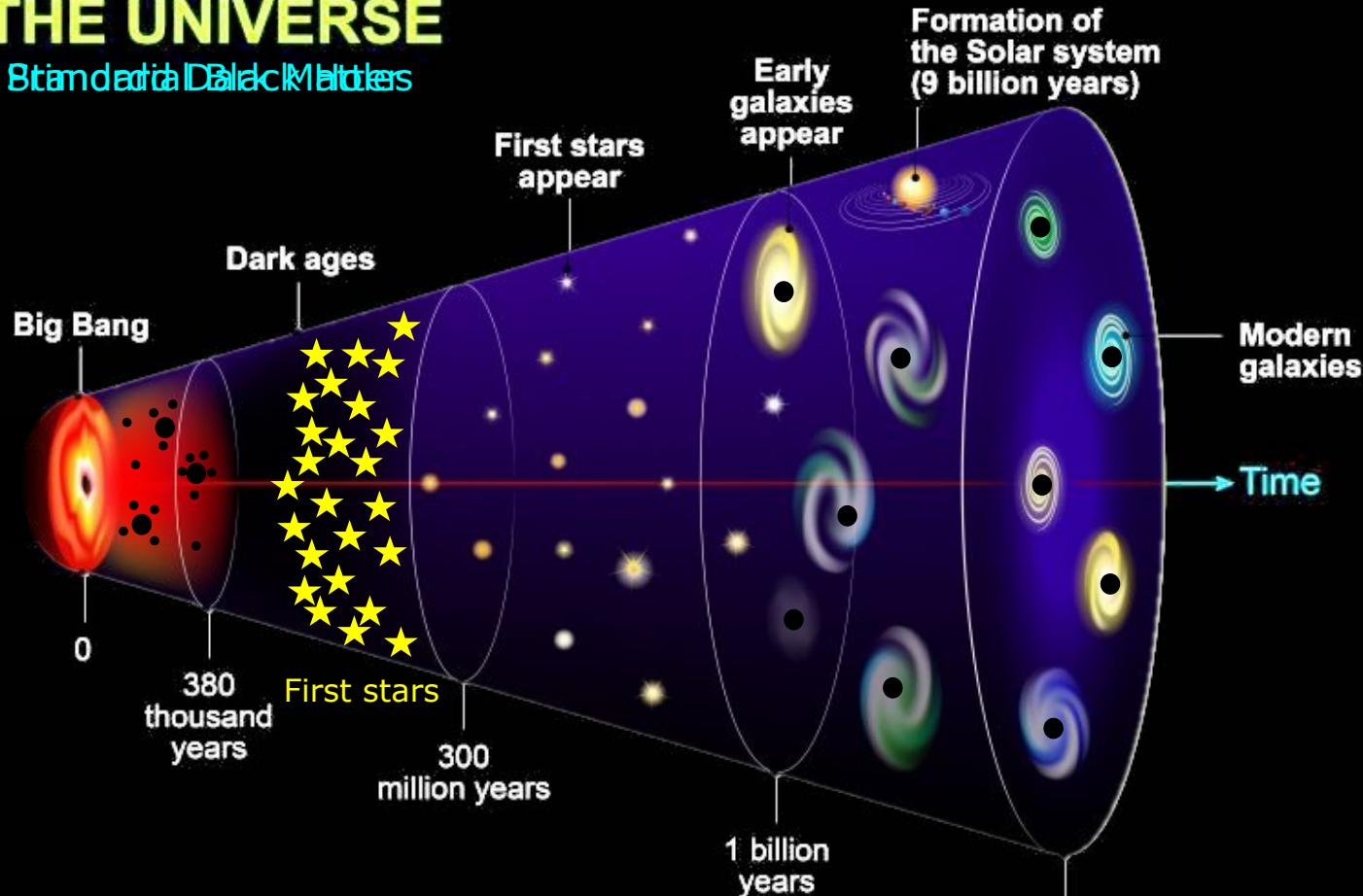


D. Inman and Y. Ali-Haimoud, Early structure formation in primordial black hole cosmologies, Phys. Rev. D 100, 083528 (2019), arXiv:1907.08129

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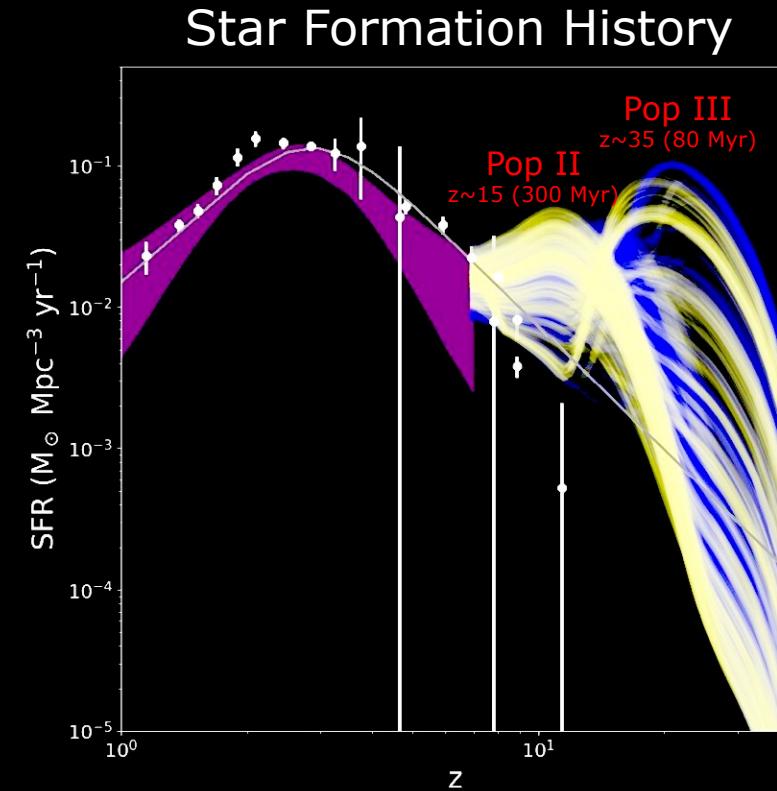
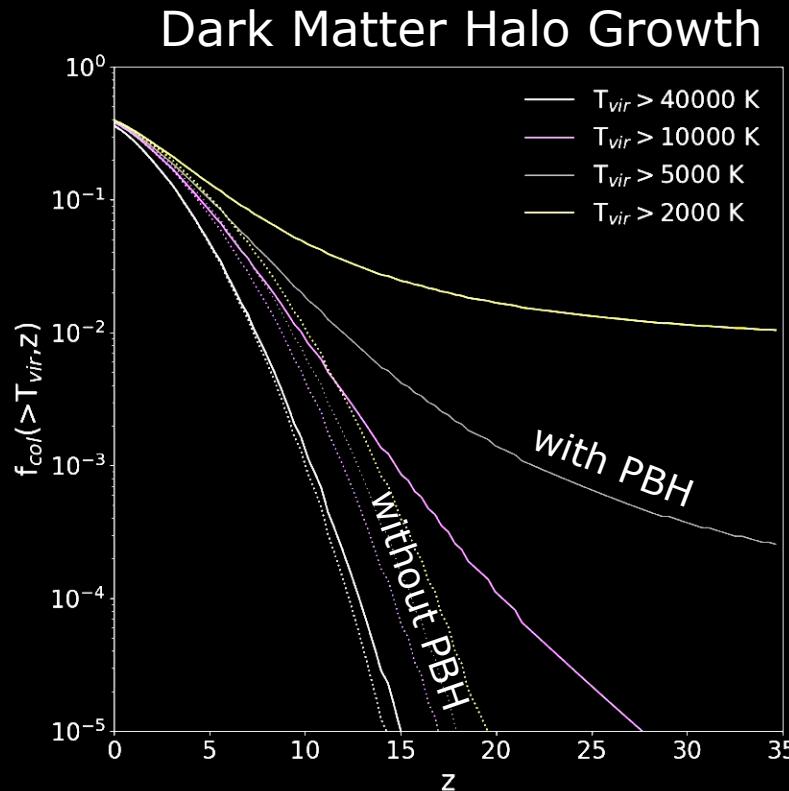
Big Bang and Dark Matter



Black Holes everywhere! Today

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# PBH add small DM haloes and early star formation

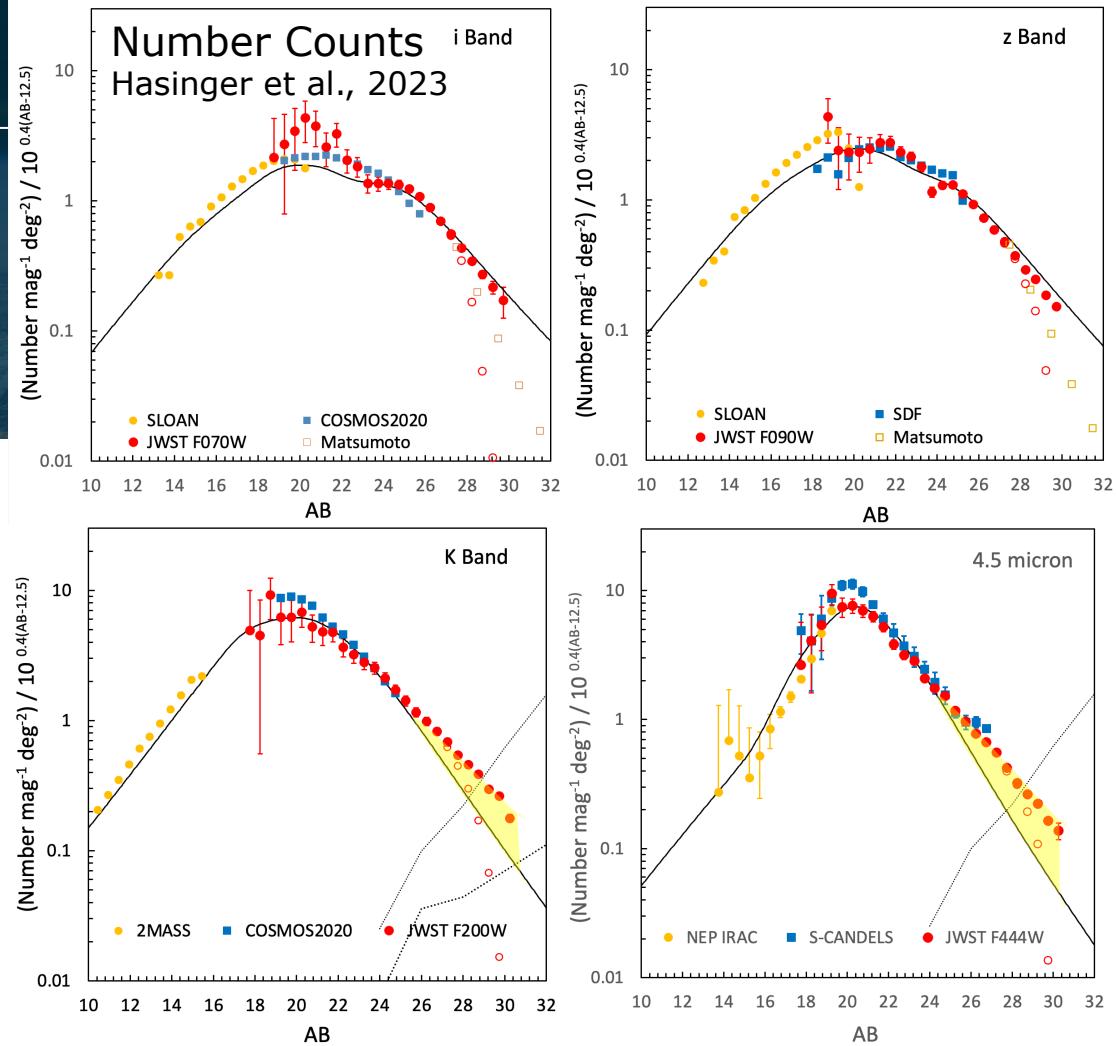
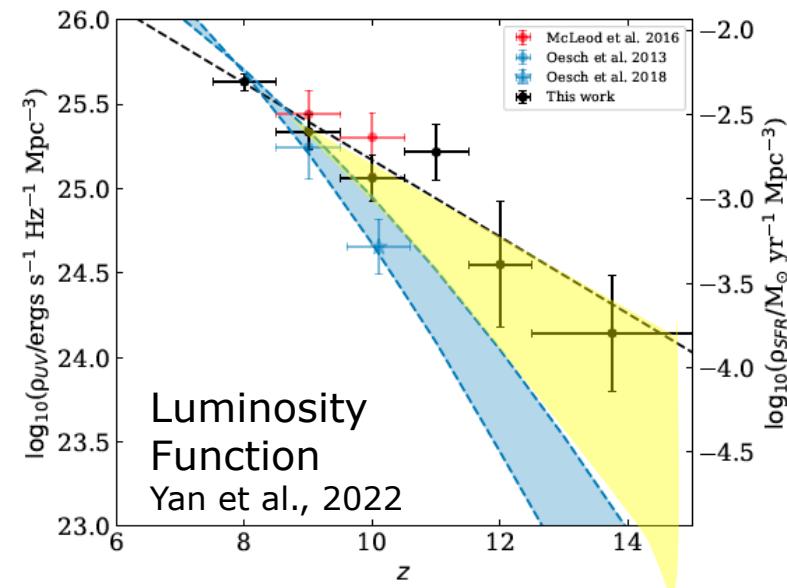


Cappelluti, Hasinger, Natarajan, 2022, ApJ

# Number of Galaxies in JWST Medium-Deep Fields

First hints for a new  
population of early galaxies.

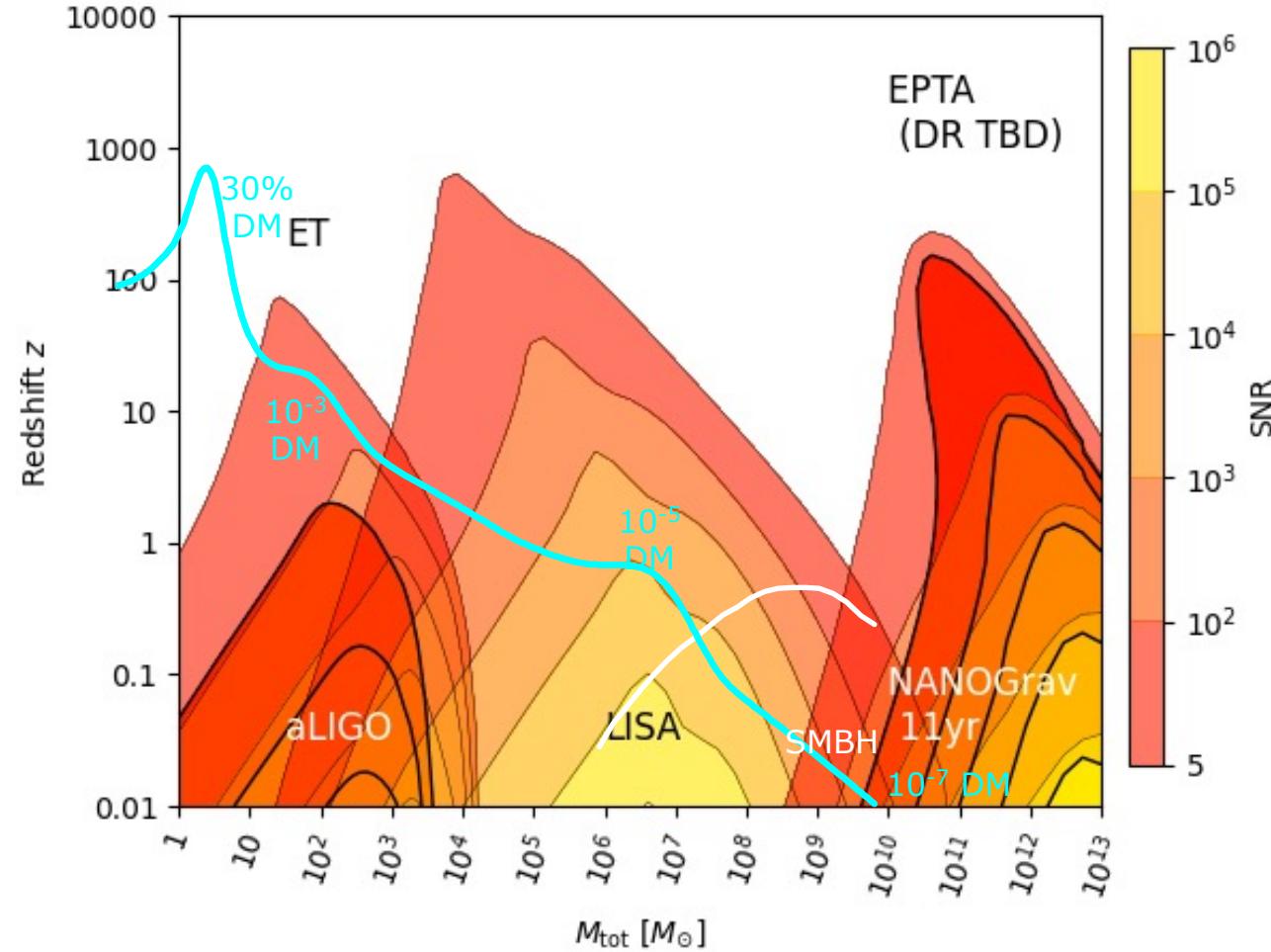
This has been predicted by  
the primordial black hole dark  
matter model!



## Sensitivity to BH-BH Mergers

So far, all of these “fingerprints” are tantalizing, but only circumstantial evidence.

However, future Gravitational Wave observations can uniquely discriminate between astrophysical and primordial black holes!



# THE SPECTRUM OF GRAVITATIONAL WAVES



## Observatories & experiments

Ground-based experiment



Space-based observatory



Pulsar timing array



Cosmic microwave background polarisation



## Timescales

milliseconds

seconds

hours

years

## Frequency [Hz]

100

1

$10^{-2}$

$10^4$

$10^{-6}$

$10^{-8}$

$10^{-16}$

Cosmic fluctuations in the early Universe

## Cosmic sources



Supernova



Pulsar



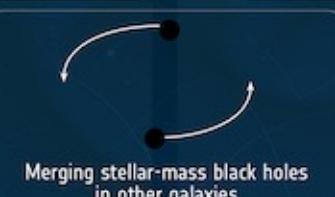
Compact object falling onto a supermassive black hole



Merging supermassive black holes



Merging neutron stars in other galaxies



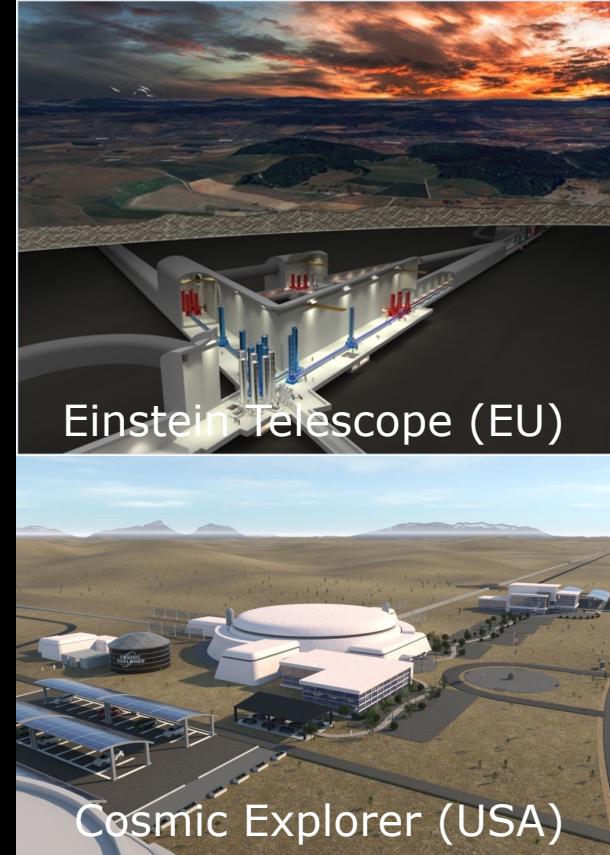
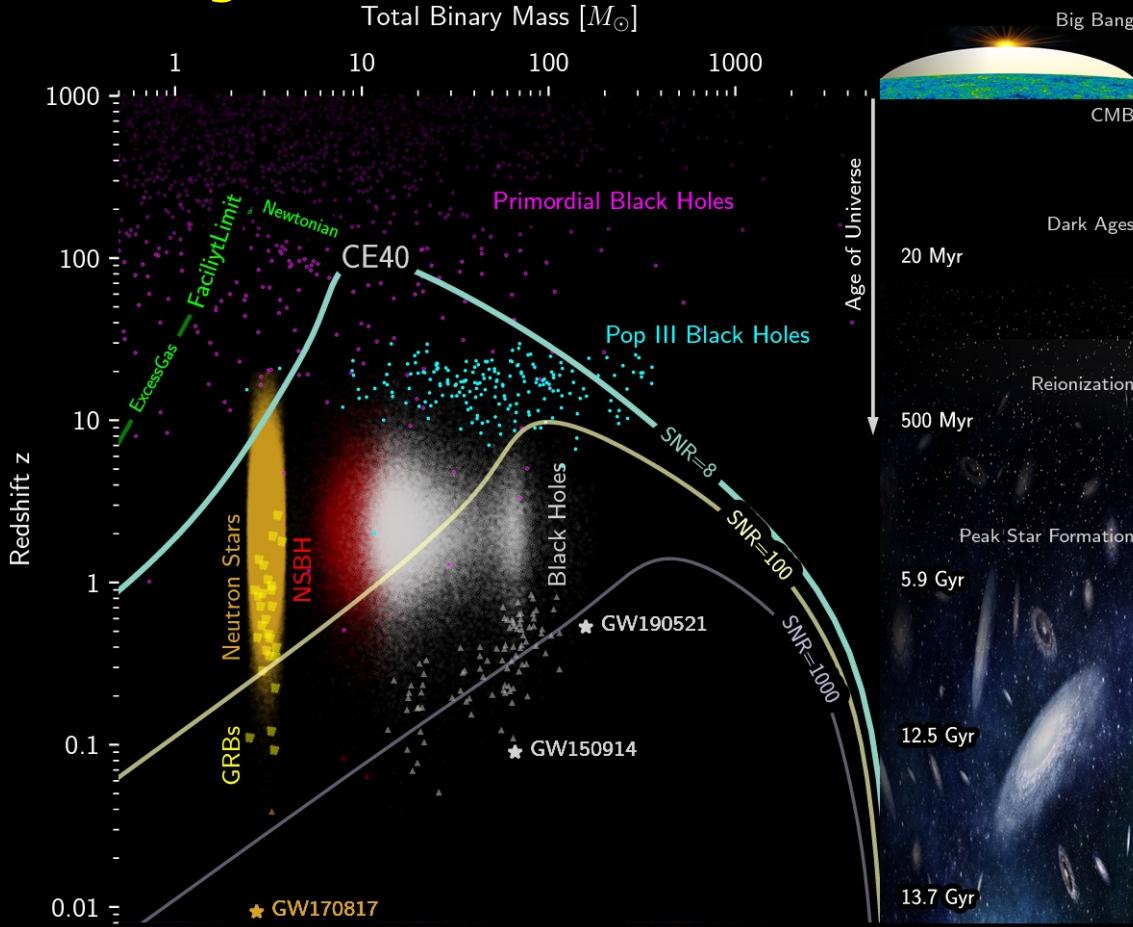
Merging stellar-mass black holes in other galaxies



Merging white dwarfs in our Galaxy



# Sensitivity of the next generation groundbased gravitational wave interferometers



Forschung.  
Technologie.  
Digitalisierung.

The new national center  
for astrophysics in  
Lusatia (DZA)



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**Thank you very much!**