

# Einstein@Home Search For Continuous Gravitational Waves From Vela Jr, Cas A and G347.3 in O3 data

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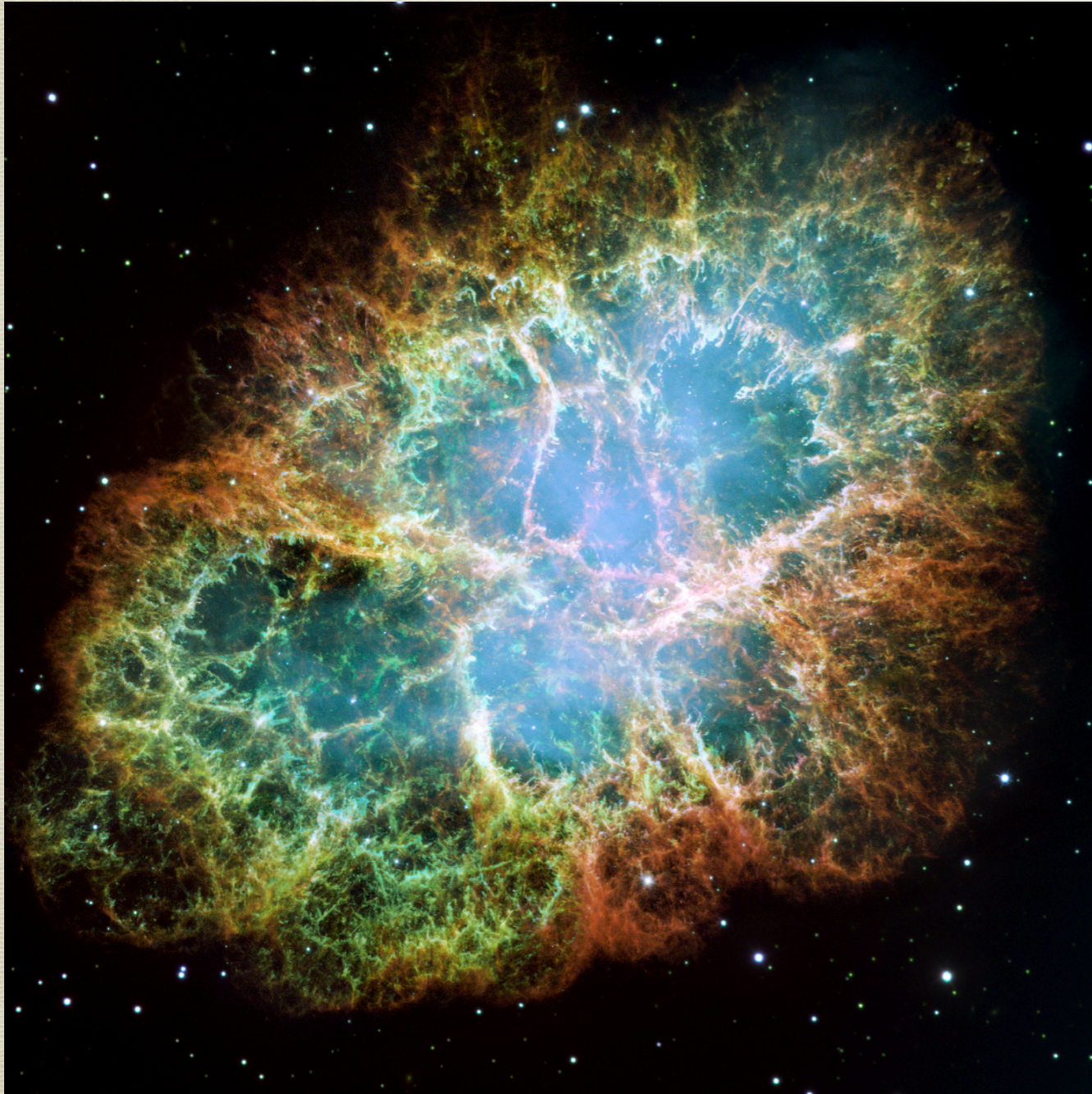
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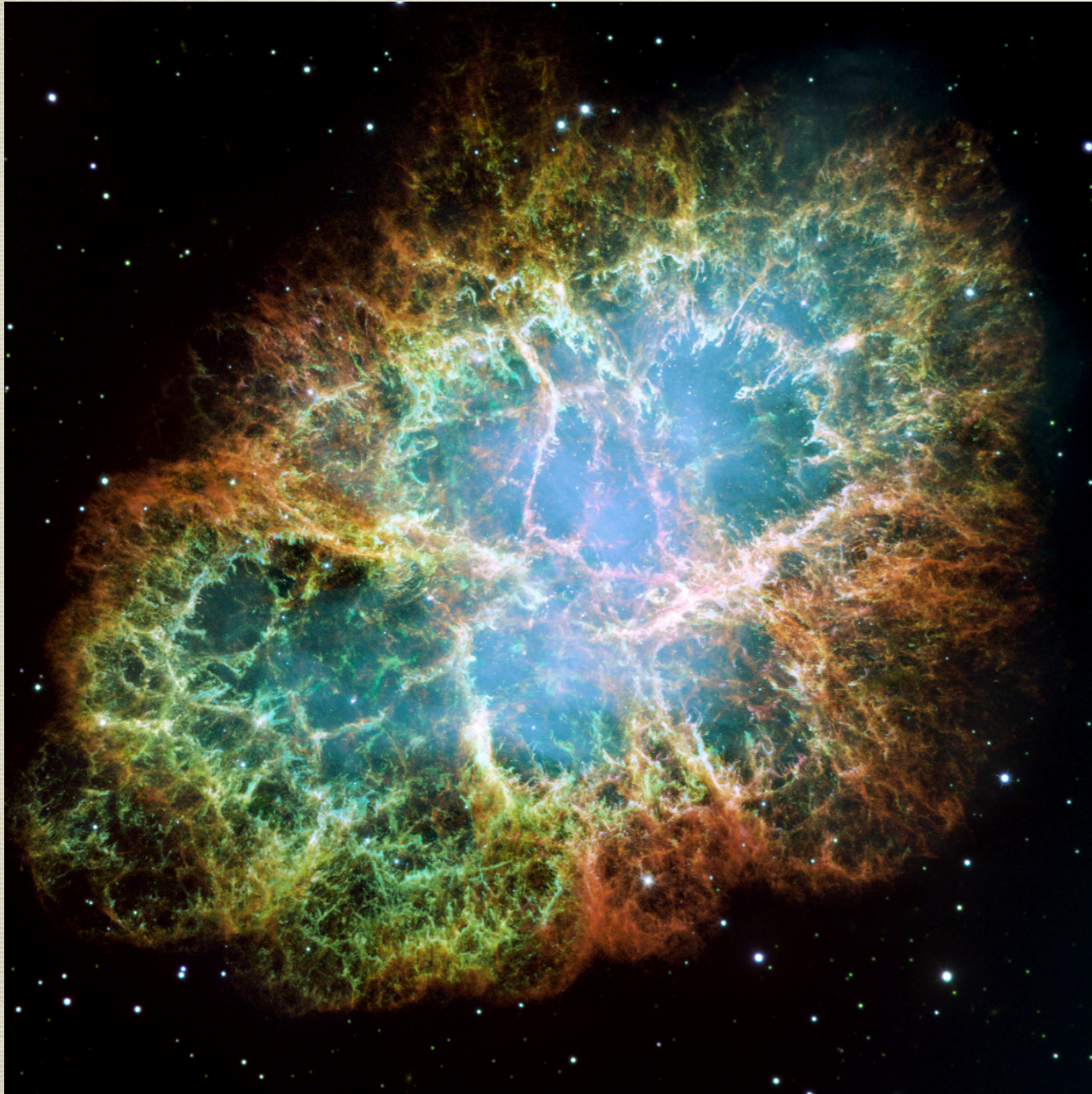
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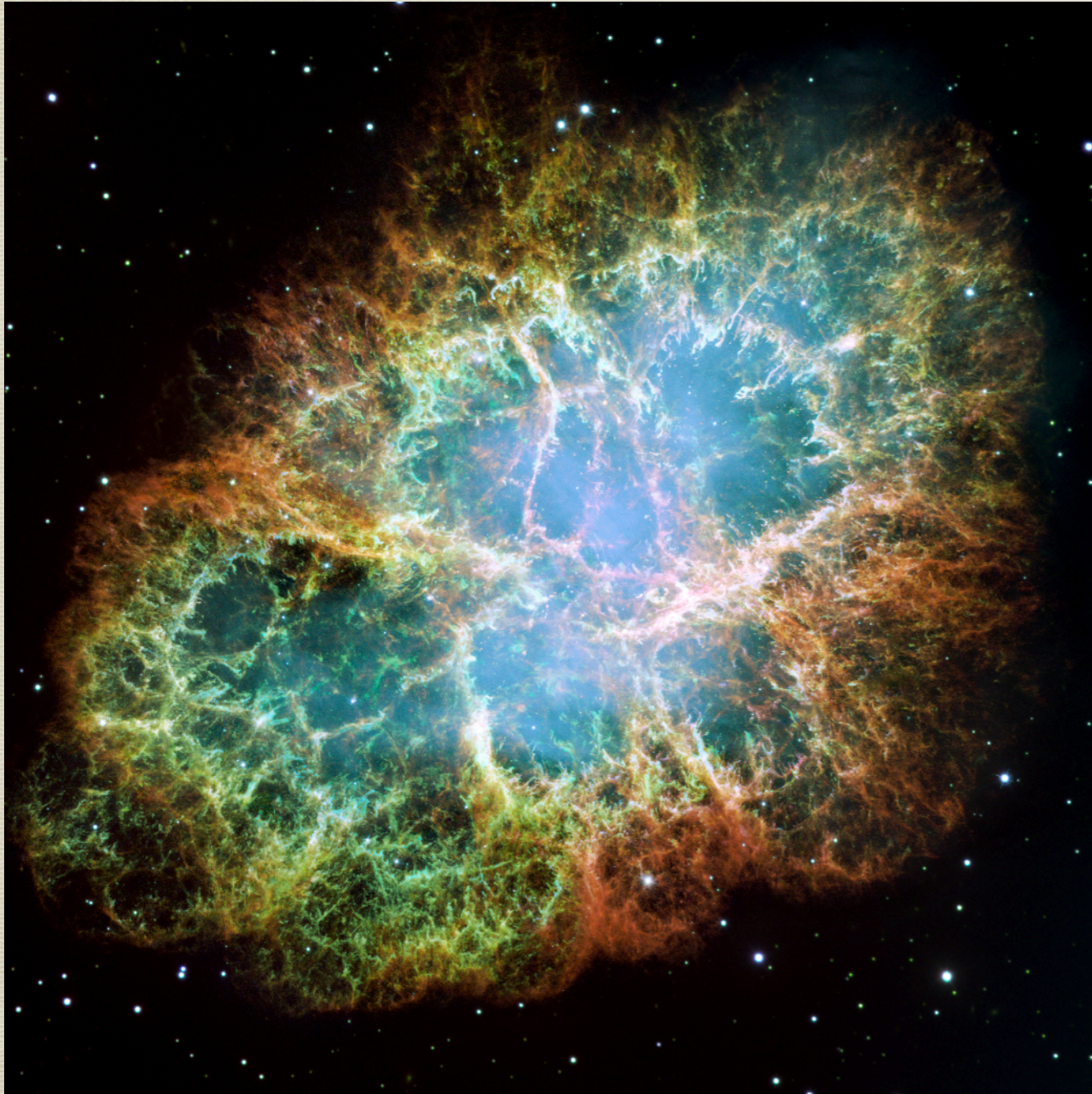
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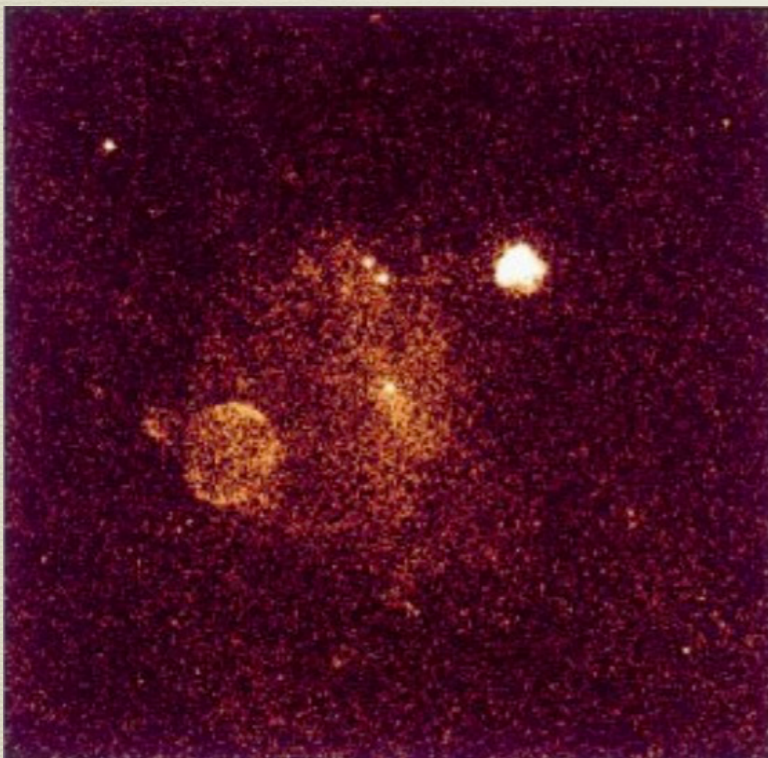


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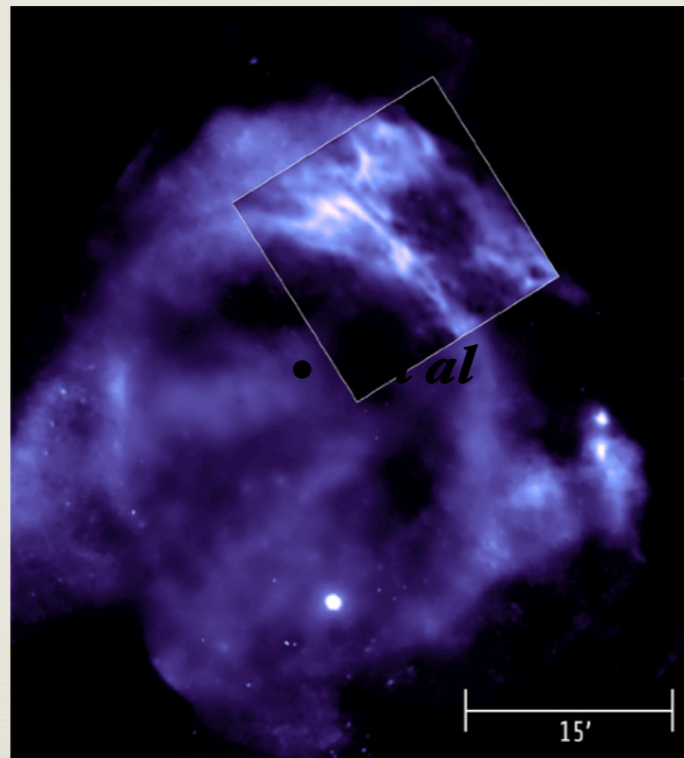
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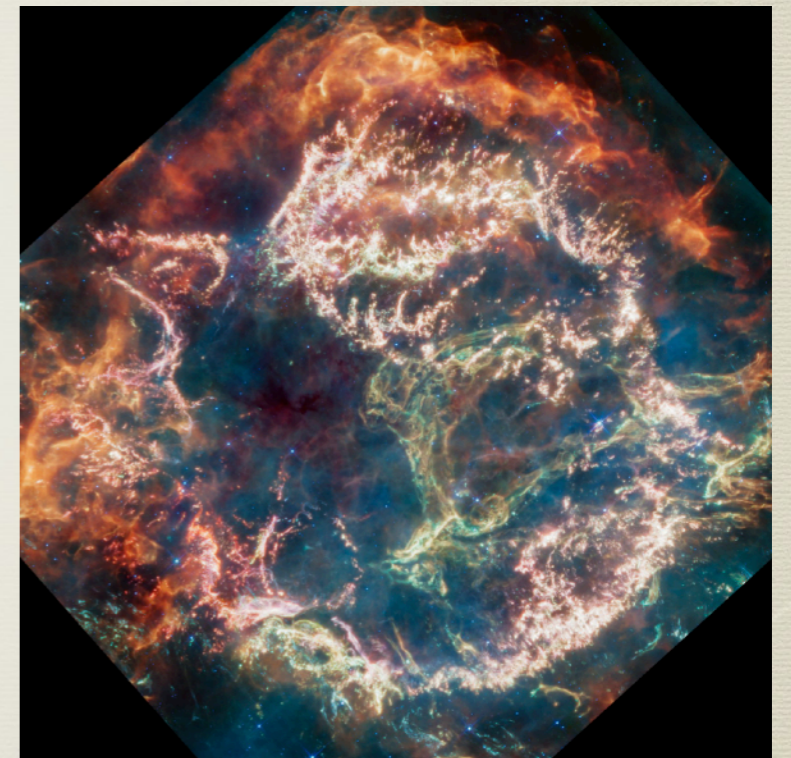
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Nature 396, 141-142(1998)



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Credit: Chandra&XMM-Newton



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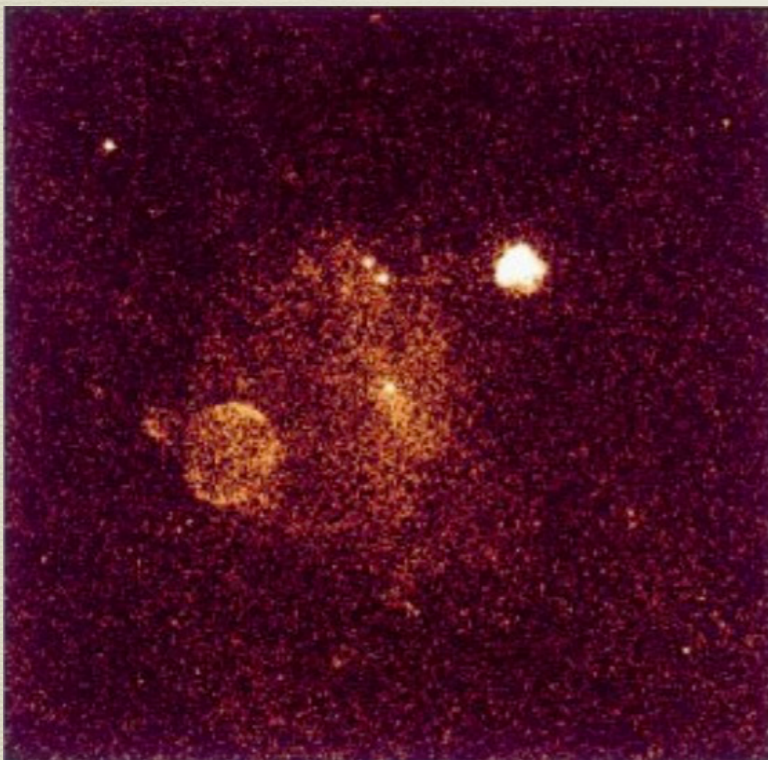
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- To maximise the detection probability : **PRD 2016, Ming et al**

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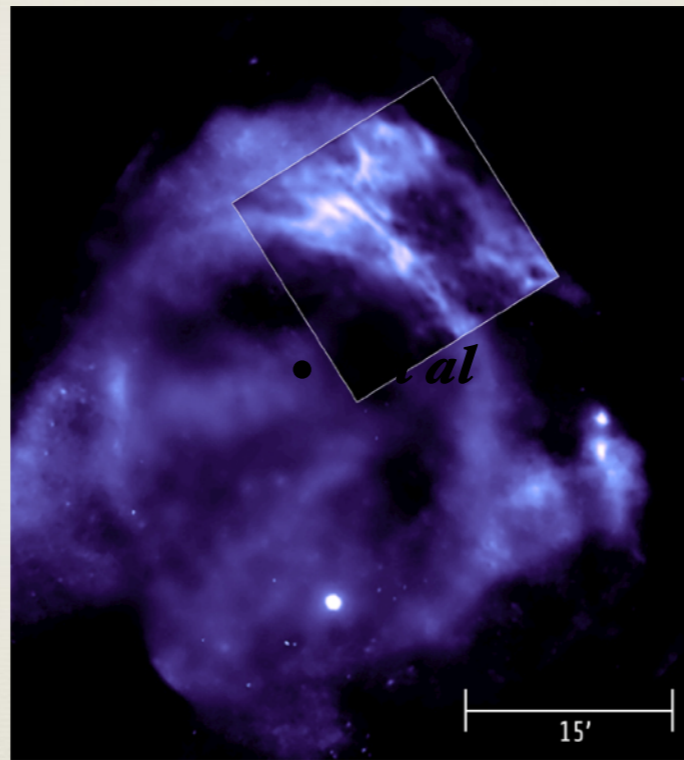


**Vela Jr**

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700-5000 yrs

200-900 pc

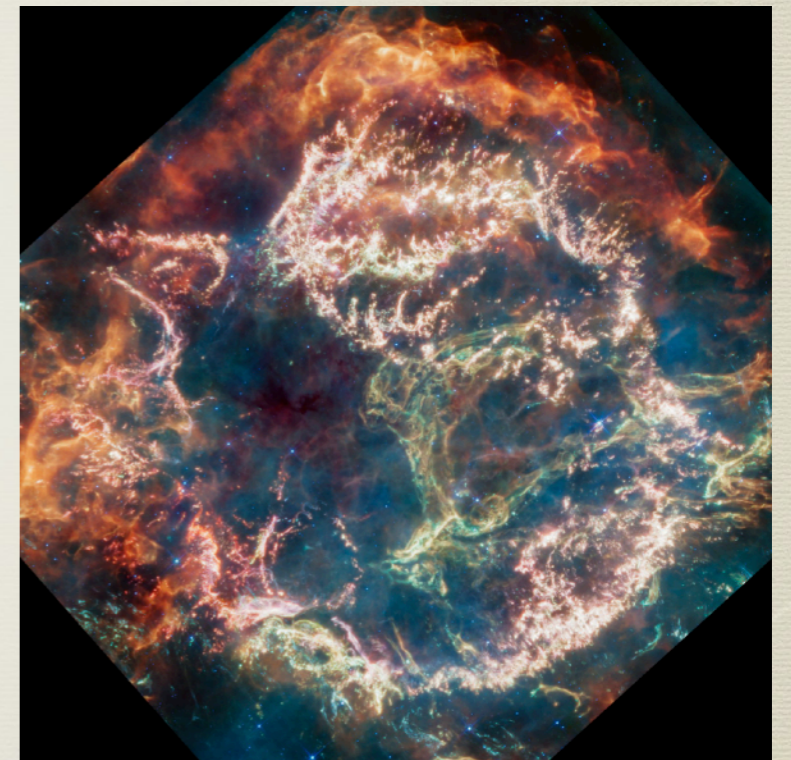


**G347.3**

Credit: Chandra&XMM-Newton

1600 yrs

1.3 kpc



**Cas A**

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330 yrs

3.4 kpc

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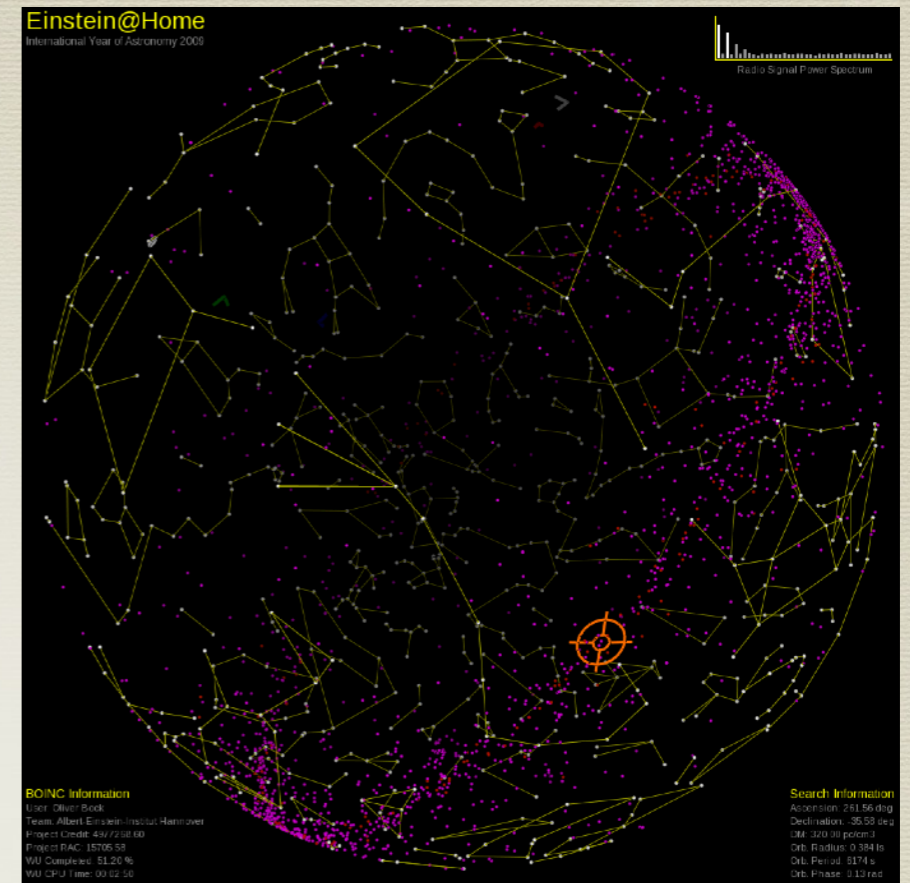
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Einstein@Home uses your computer's idle time to search for weak astrophysical signals from spinning neutron stars using data from the LIGO gravitational-wave detectors, the MeerKAT radio telescope, the Fermi gamma-ray satellite, as well as archival data from the Arecibo radio telescope.

Active users: >500,000

Computing power: >50,000 CPU cores  
(taken into account GPU)

EM means Einstein@Home-month.



# Semi-Coherent method

Coherent search: computationally limited:

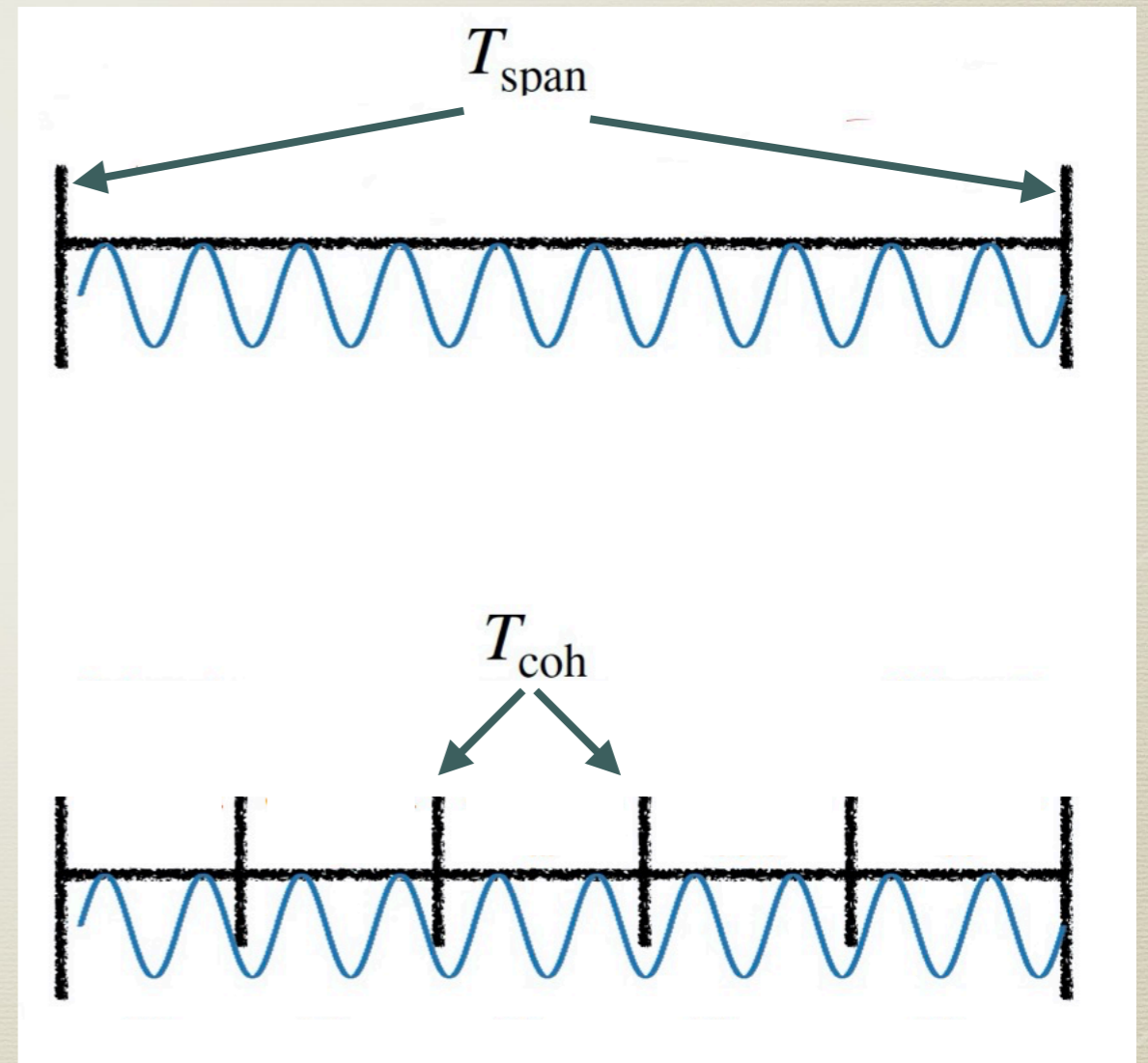
necessary templates  $\propto T_{span}^6$

Semi-coherent search:

Divide  $T_{span}$  in  $N$  segments of  $T_{coh}$

Less sensitive

Computational cost  $\propto N \times T_{coh}^6$





# Search

- O3 first half data (~180 days)
- running on Einstein@Home for 7 months (GPU and CPU)
- Two bands: < 500 Hz and 500- 1500 Hz for three sources
- frequency second time derivative included
- Maximum possible ranges for  $f$ ,  $\dot{f}$  and  $\ddot{f}$ :

$$-f/\tau \leq \dot{f} \leq 0 \text{ Hz/s}$$

$$0 \text{ Hz/s}^2 \leq \ddot{f} \leq 7|\dot{f}|_{\text{max}}^2/f = 7f/\tau^2.$$

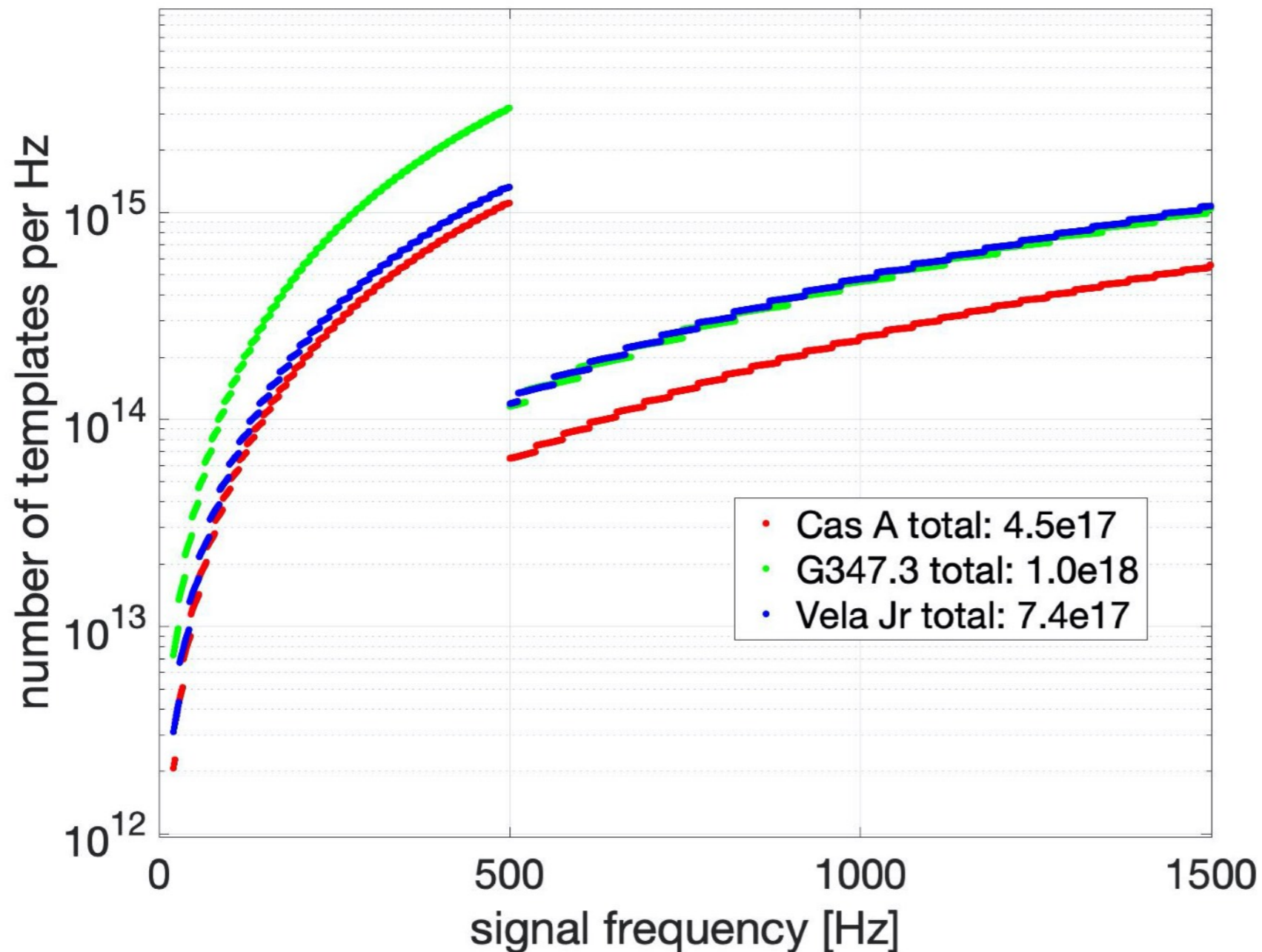
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Mismatch	22% 17%	5% 22%	17% 33%
Number of Templates (fine)	2.3e17 5.2e17	5.4e17 5.0e17	1.9e17 2.7e17

# Number of templates per Hz

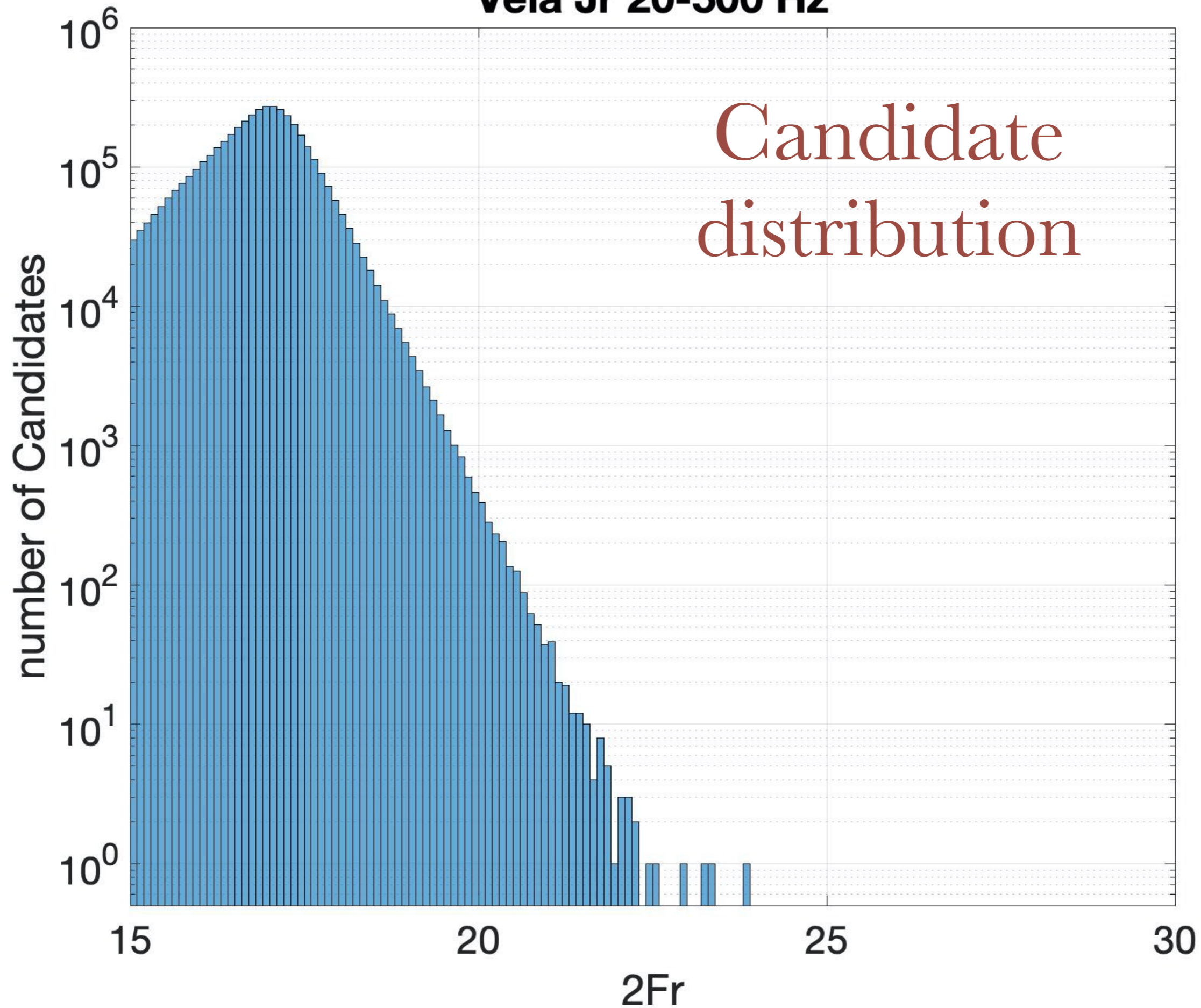
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**Total:**  
 $2.2 \times 10^{18}$

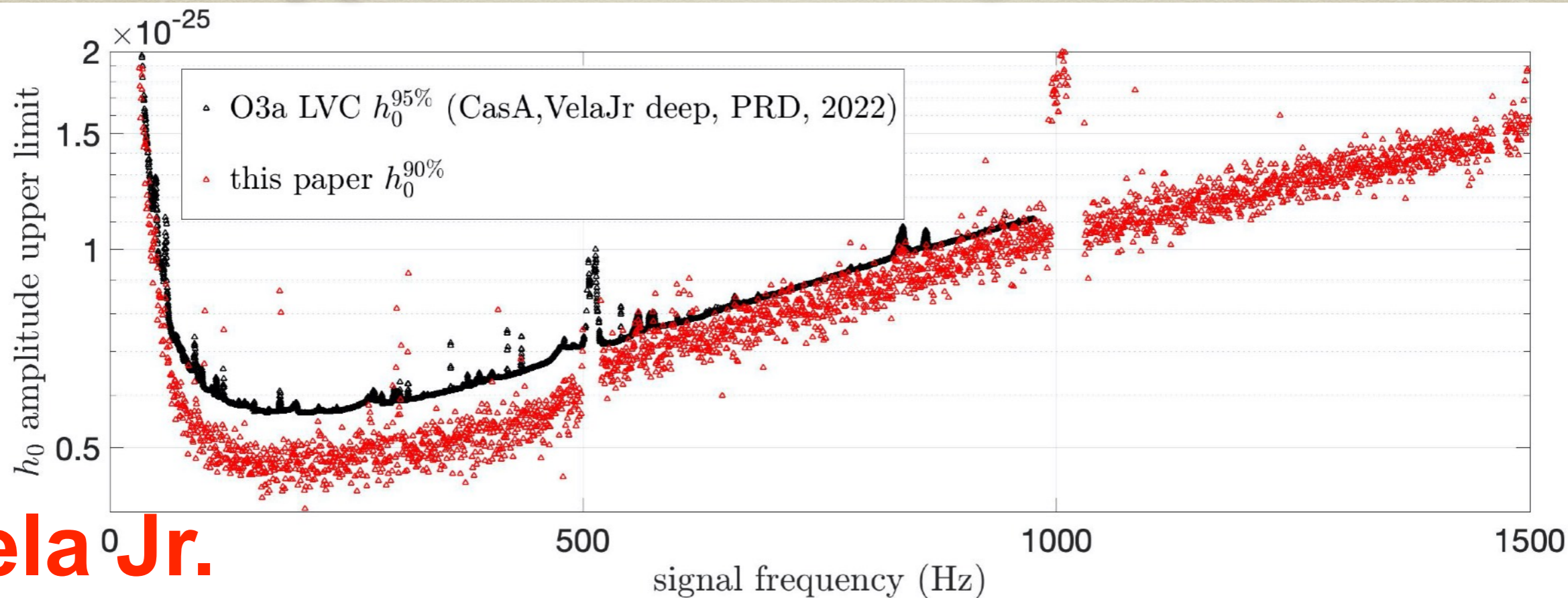


- **8 million WU**  
Each for 8 hours on host's CPU
- **Each WU keeps top 50,000 candi and returned to E@H server**

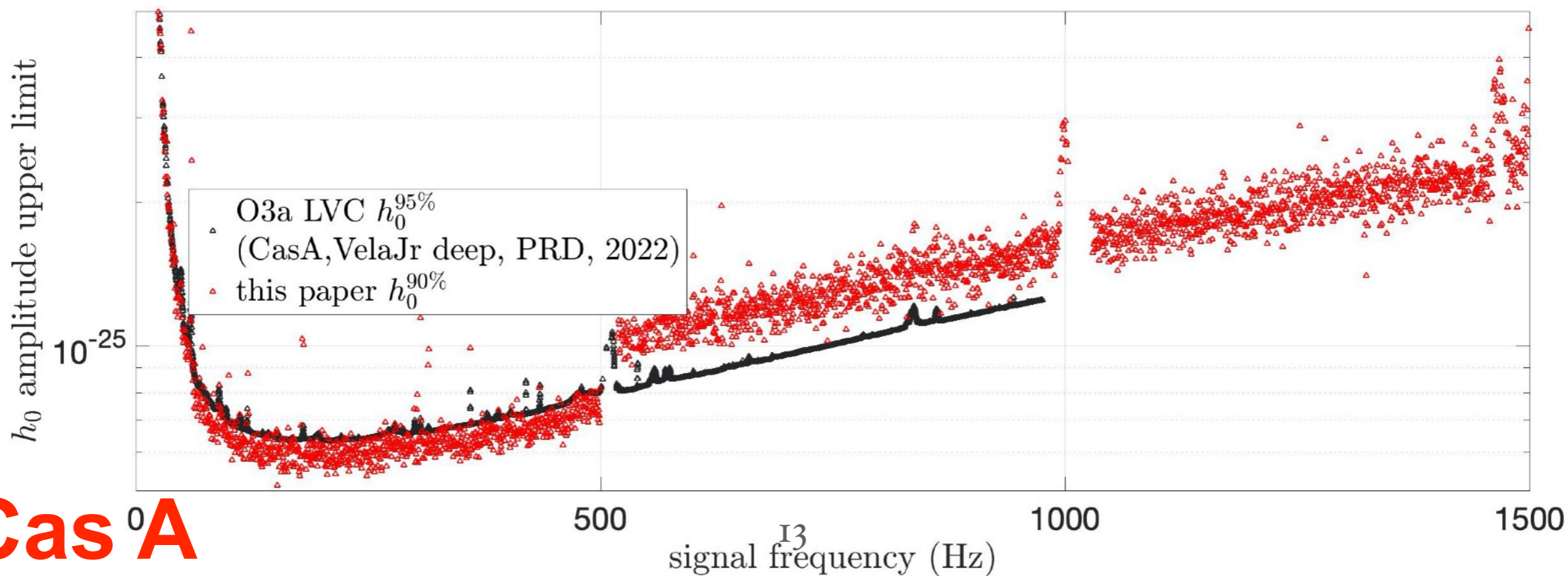
# Vela Jr 20-500 Hz



# $h_0$ Upper Limit: Vela Jr. and Cas A

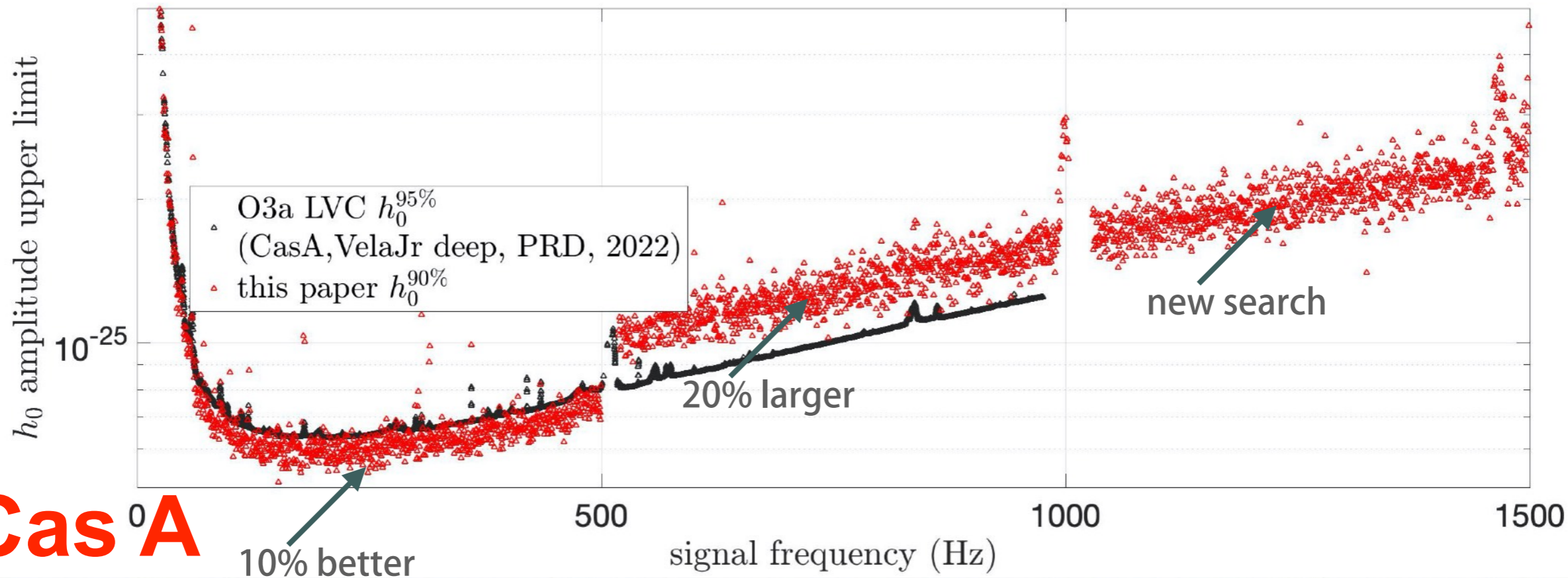
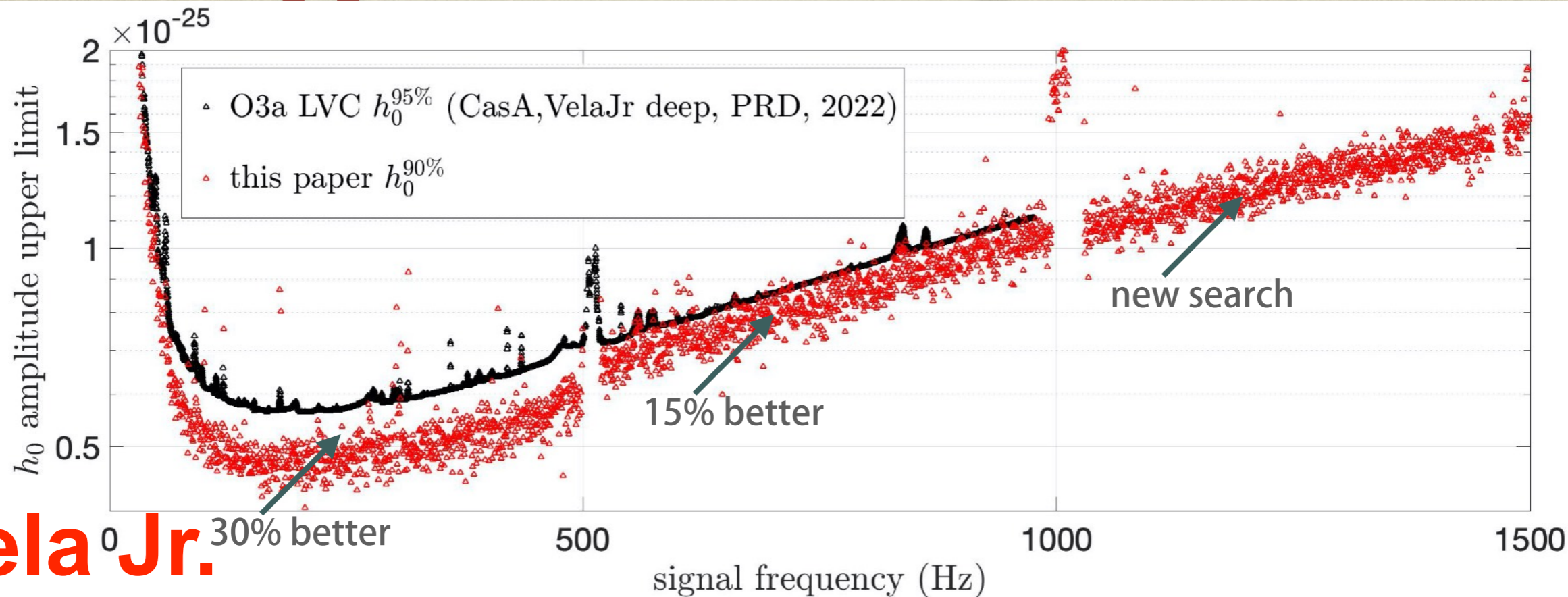


**Vela Jr.**

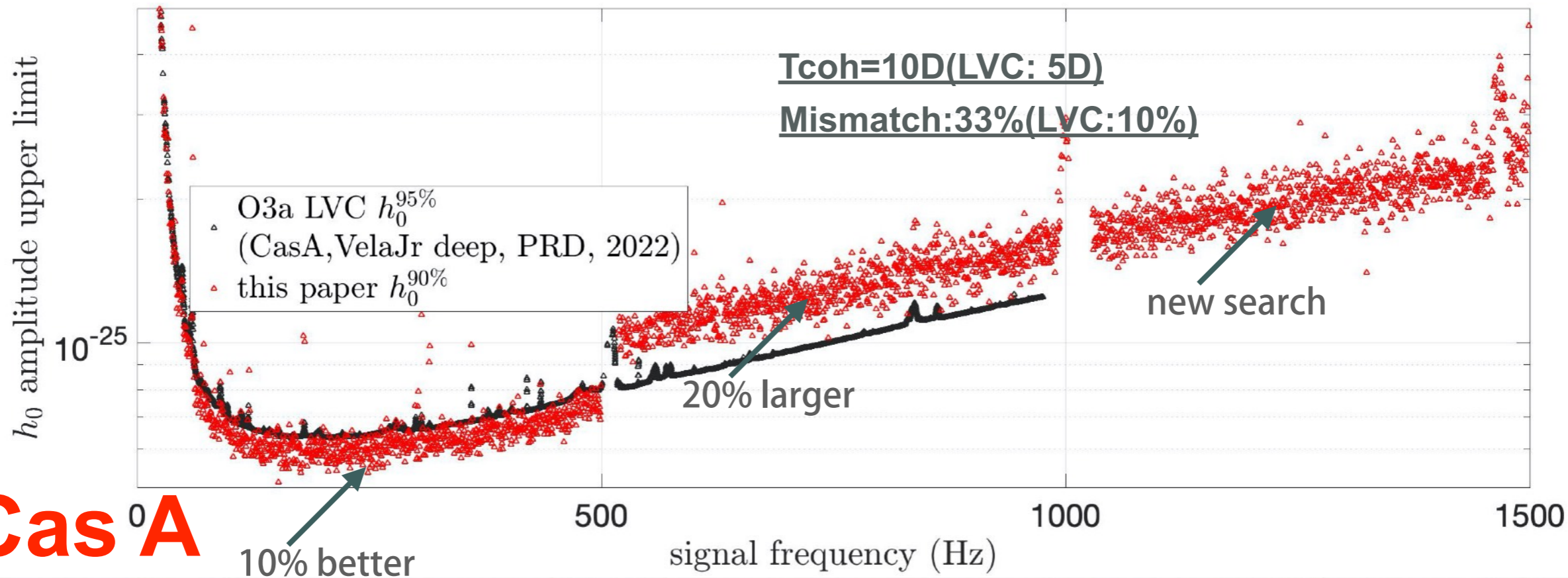
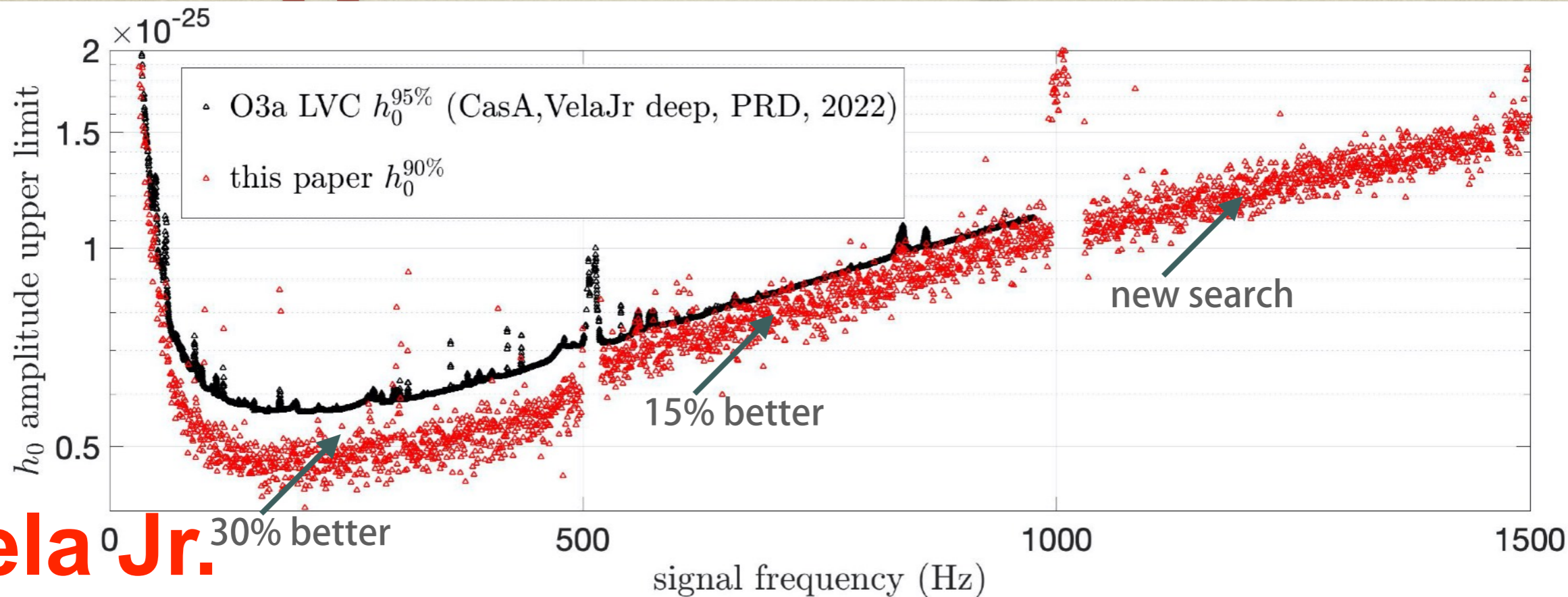


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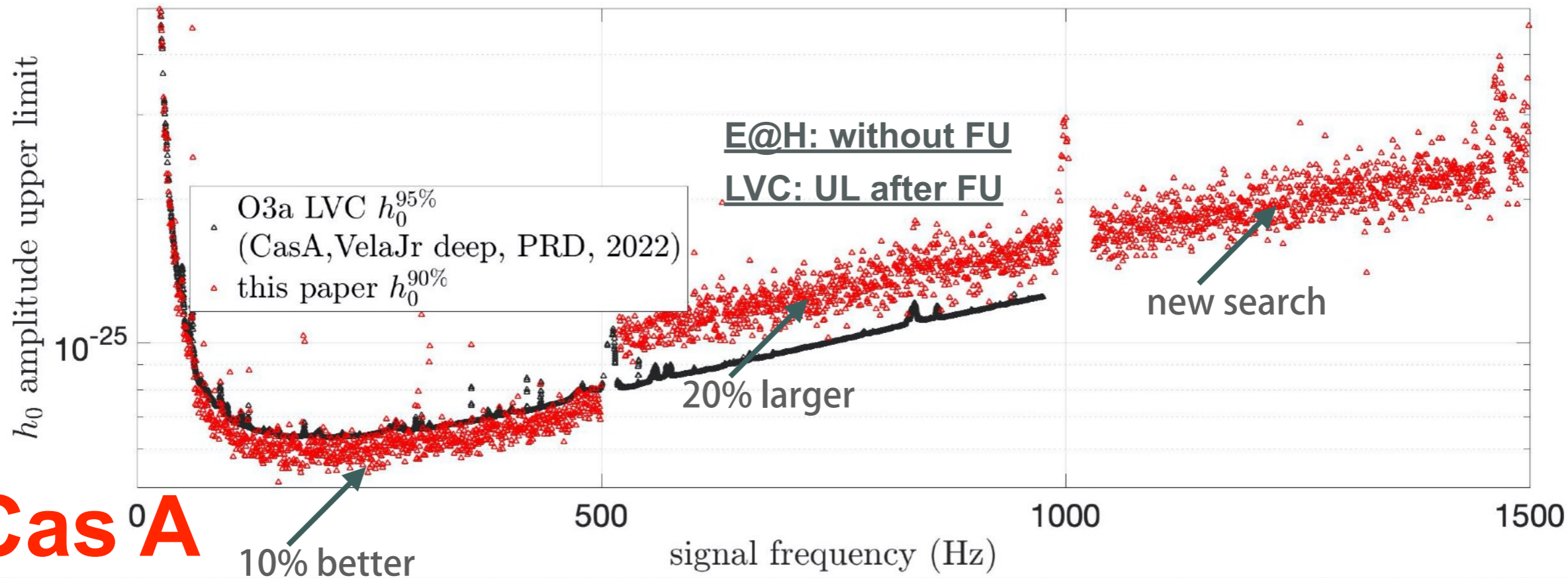
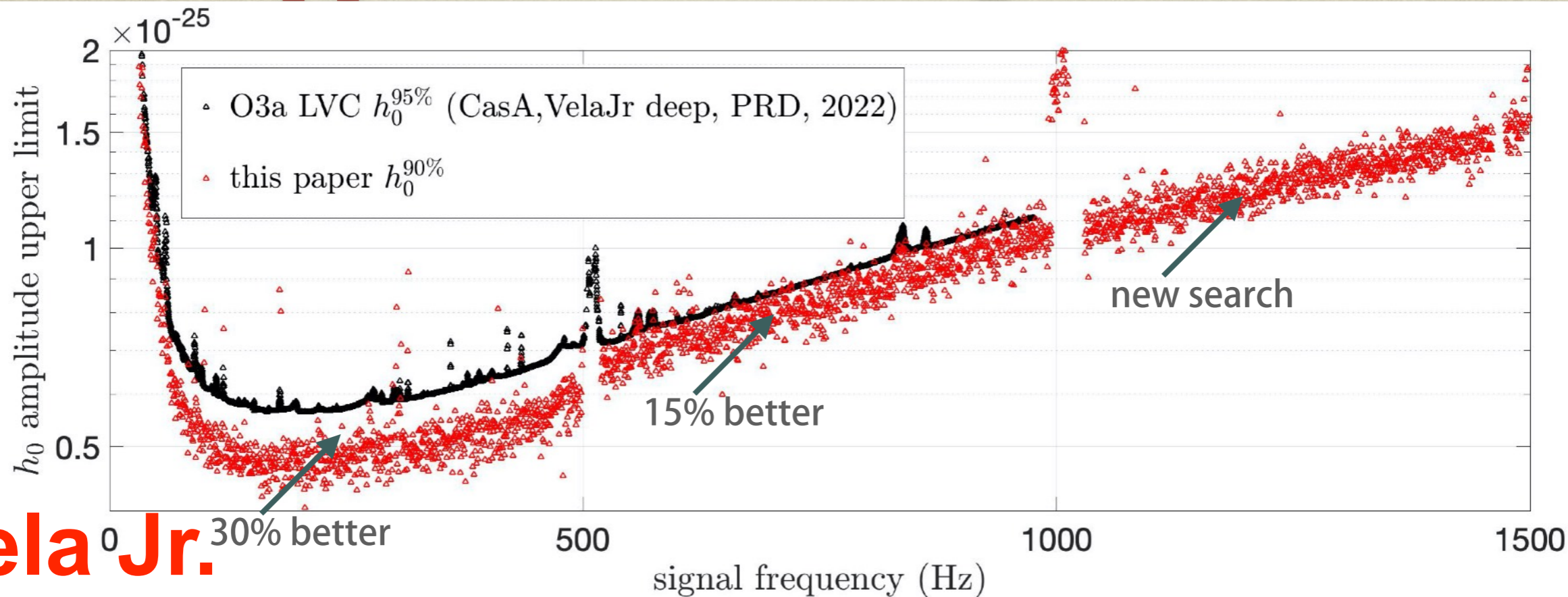
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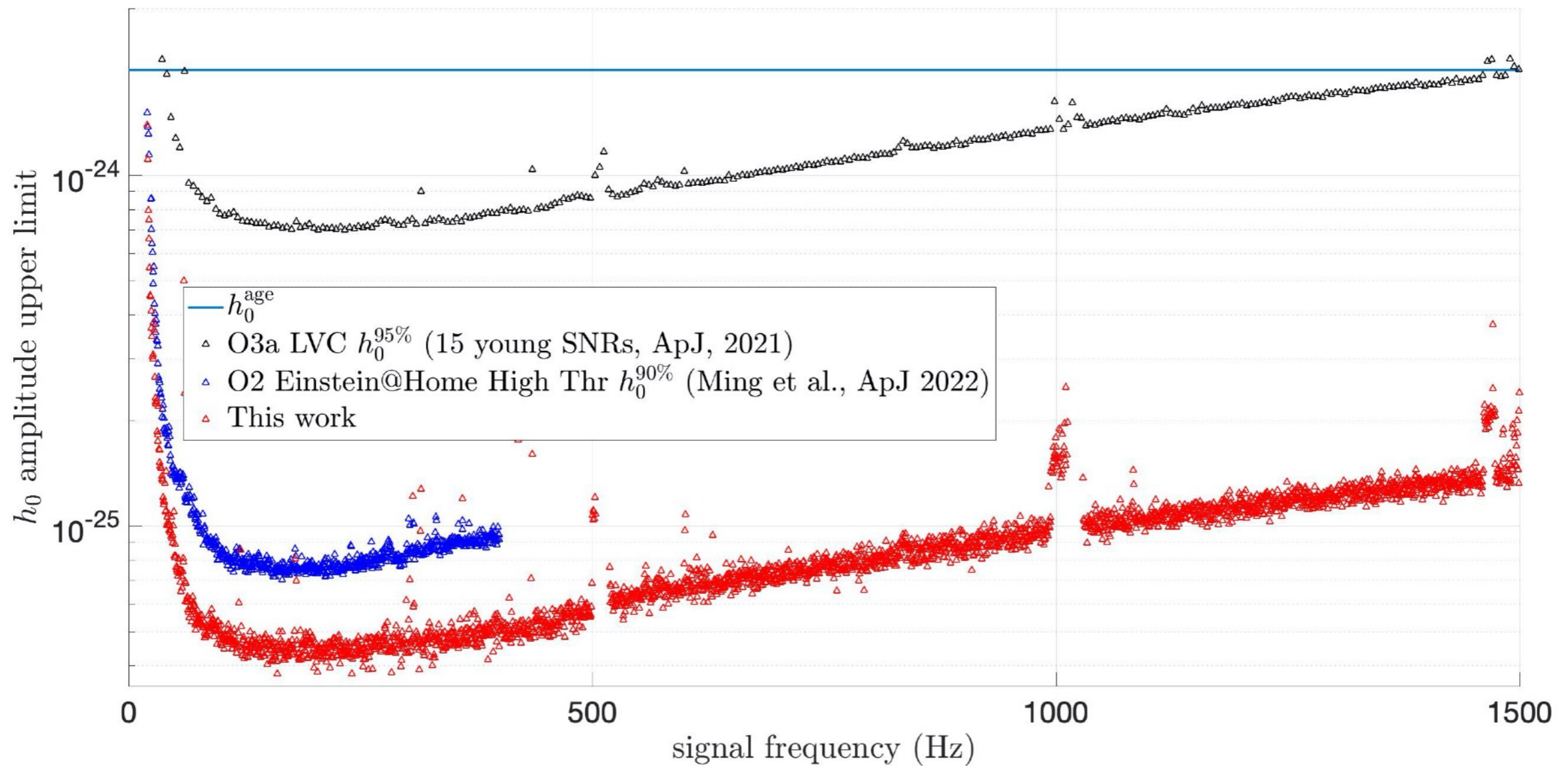


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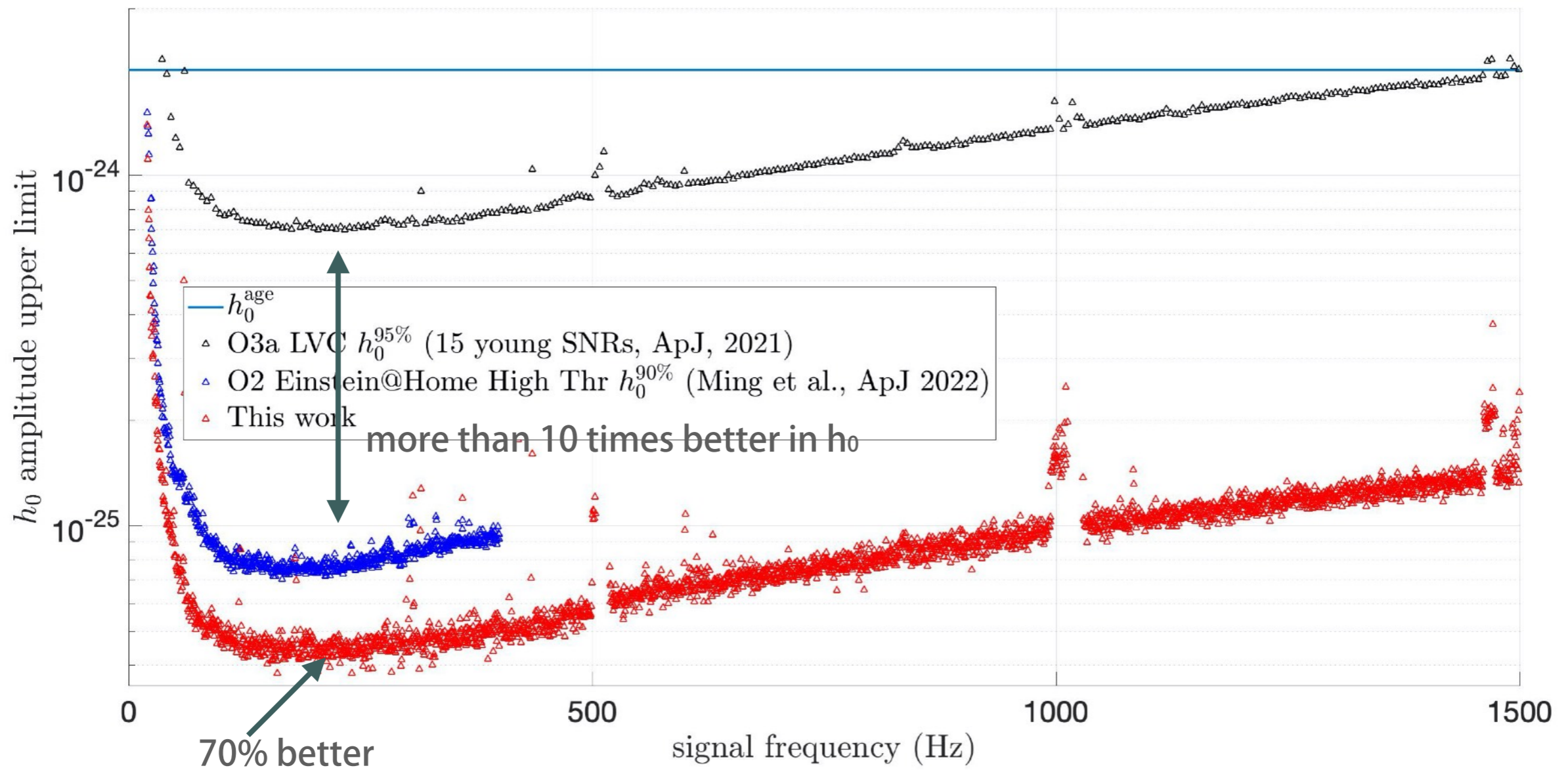




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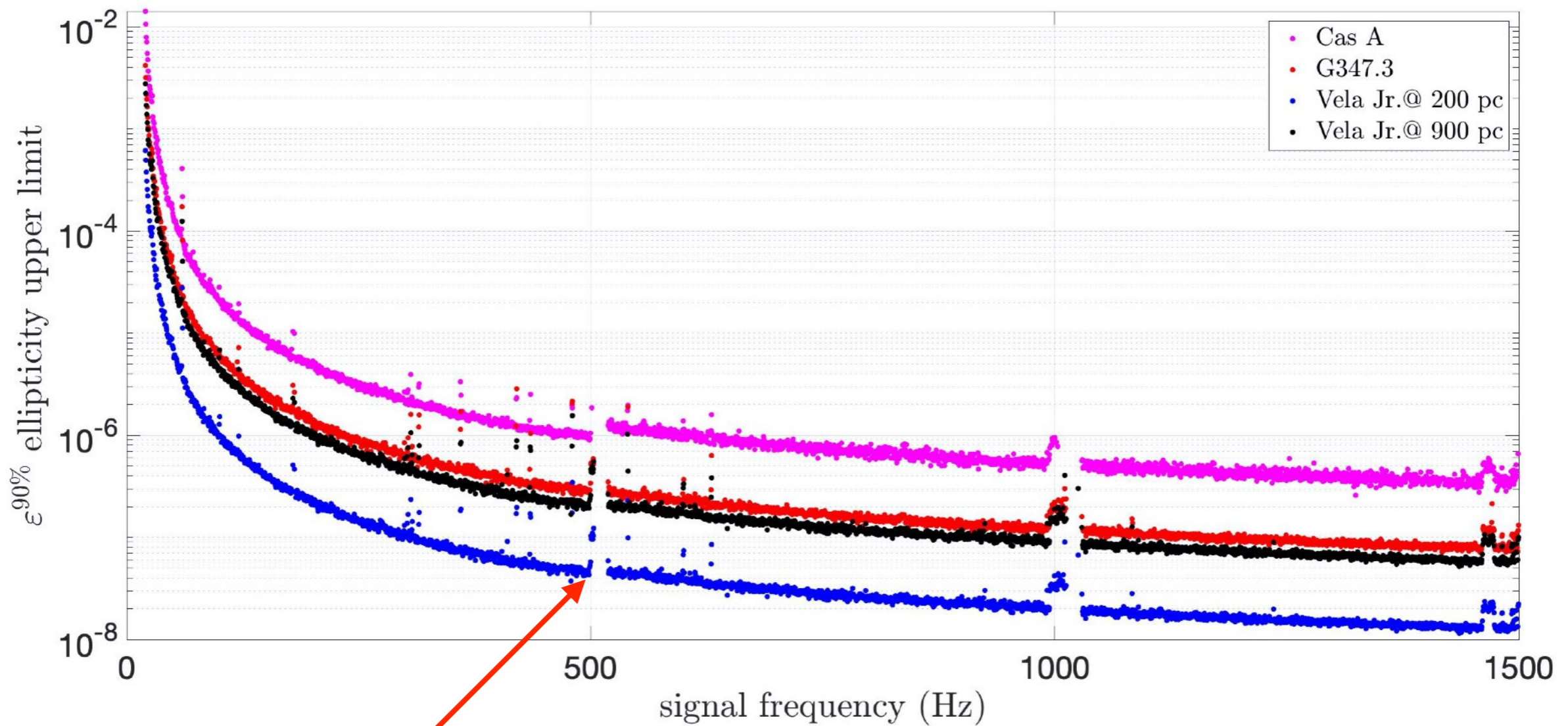


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# Upper limits on the NS ellipticity

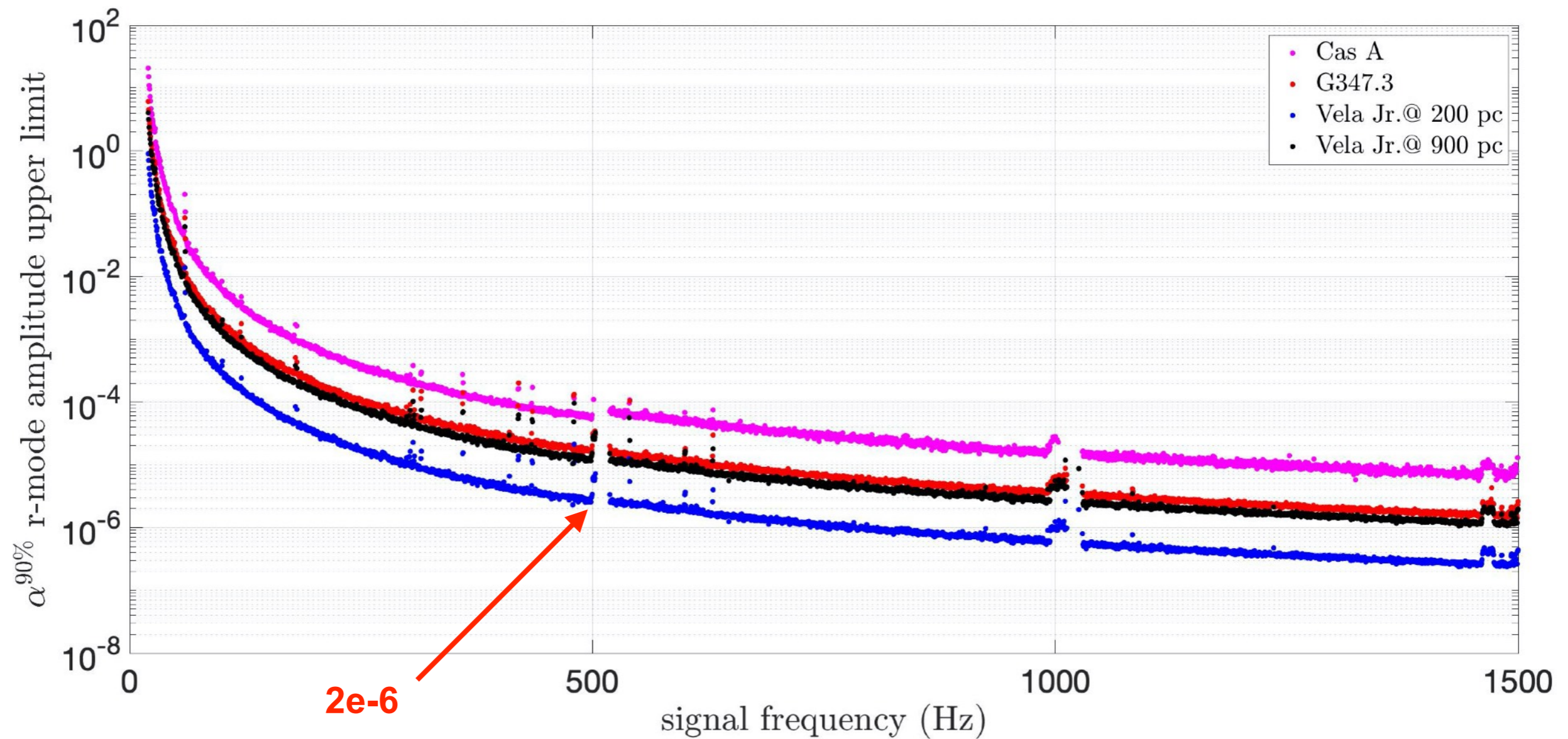
$$\epsilon = \frac{c^4}{4\pi^2 G} \frac{h_0 D}{I f^2}$$



0.4 mm of 10km NS radius

# Upper limits on r-mode amplitude

$$\alpha = 0.028 \left( \frac{h_0}{10^{-24}} \right) \left( \frac{D}{1 \text{ kpc}} \right) \left( \frac{100 \text{ Hz}}{f} \right)^3$$



# Summary

- no detection of CW, but set most constraint upper-limits
- widest search range for all three sources ( $f$ ,  $\dot{f}$  and  $\ddot{f}$ )
- Follow-ups on top candidates are on going.

might be signals?

**If not:** Upper-limits will be further improved by  $\sim 20\%$ .

Thank you

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# S0 set-up <500 Hz

Target	Vela Jr	Cas A	G347.3
frequency search range	20 Hz ~ 500 Hz		
Tcoh [hours]/setup index	720/38	360/18	1440/60
Nsegments	6	12	3
Tspan	15552000	15552000	15552000
df (coarse)	1.902478930045850e-07 (= 0.05 Hz / 262815)	4.660092829049155e-07 (= 0.05Hz / 107294)	6.72629753642626412991e-08 (= 0.05Hz/743351)
dfdote (coarse)	4.494707e-13	1.797883e-12	8.703963e-14
df2dote (coarse)	2.051778e-19	7.340665e-19	2.564723e-20
gamma_refine_1	13	21	7
gamma_refine_2	11	21	5

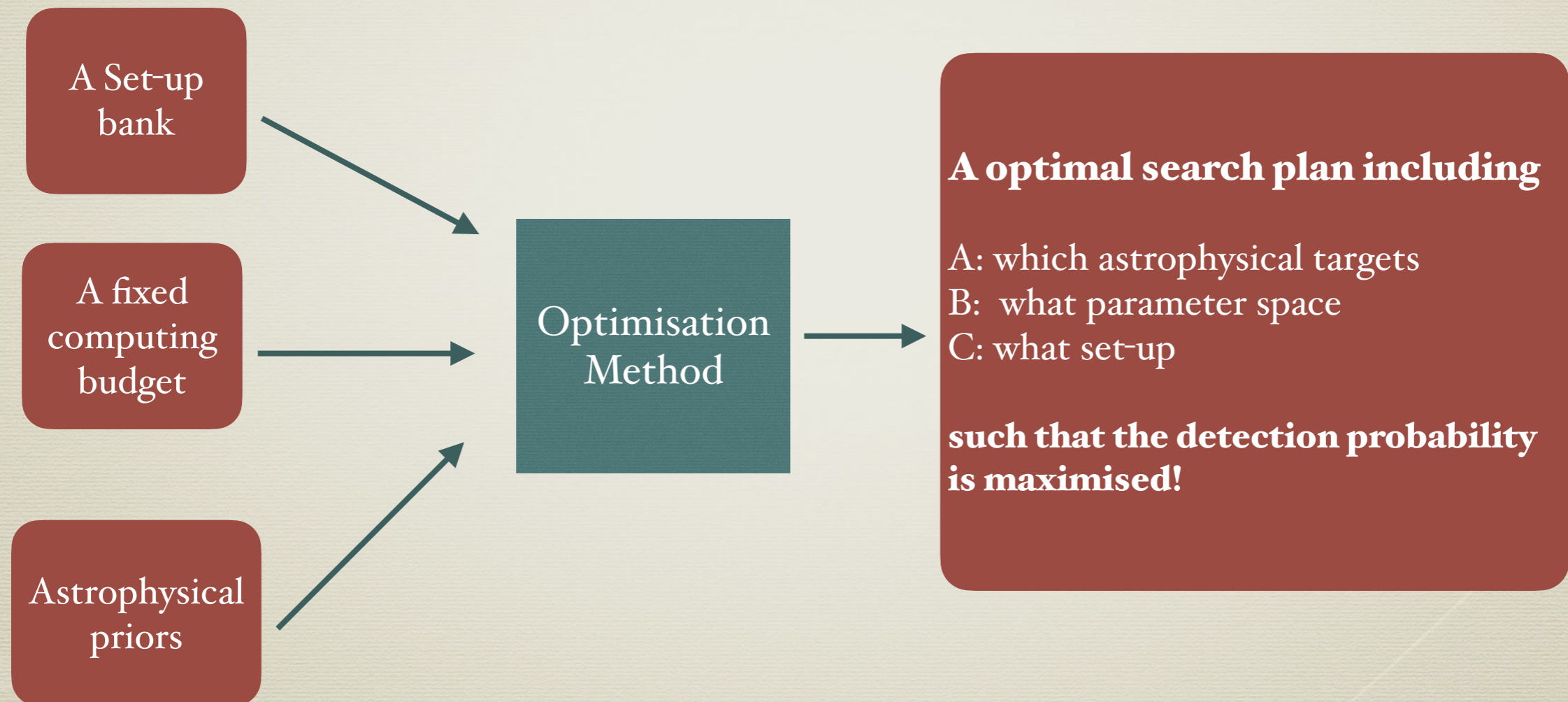


# S0 set-up >500 Hz

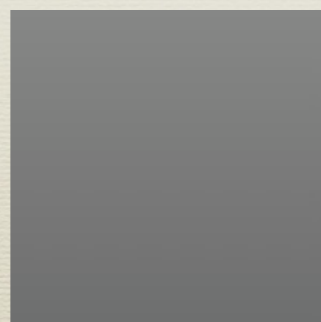
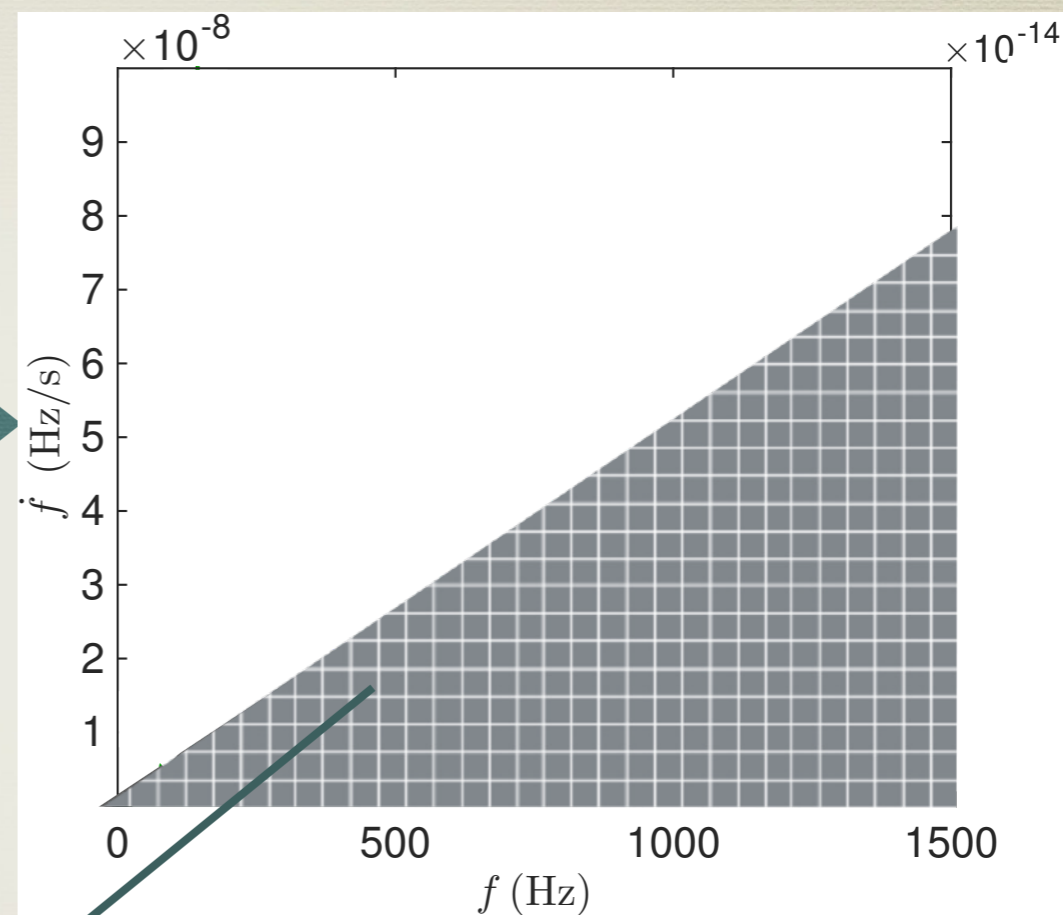
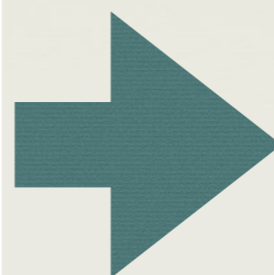
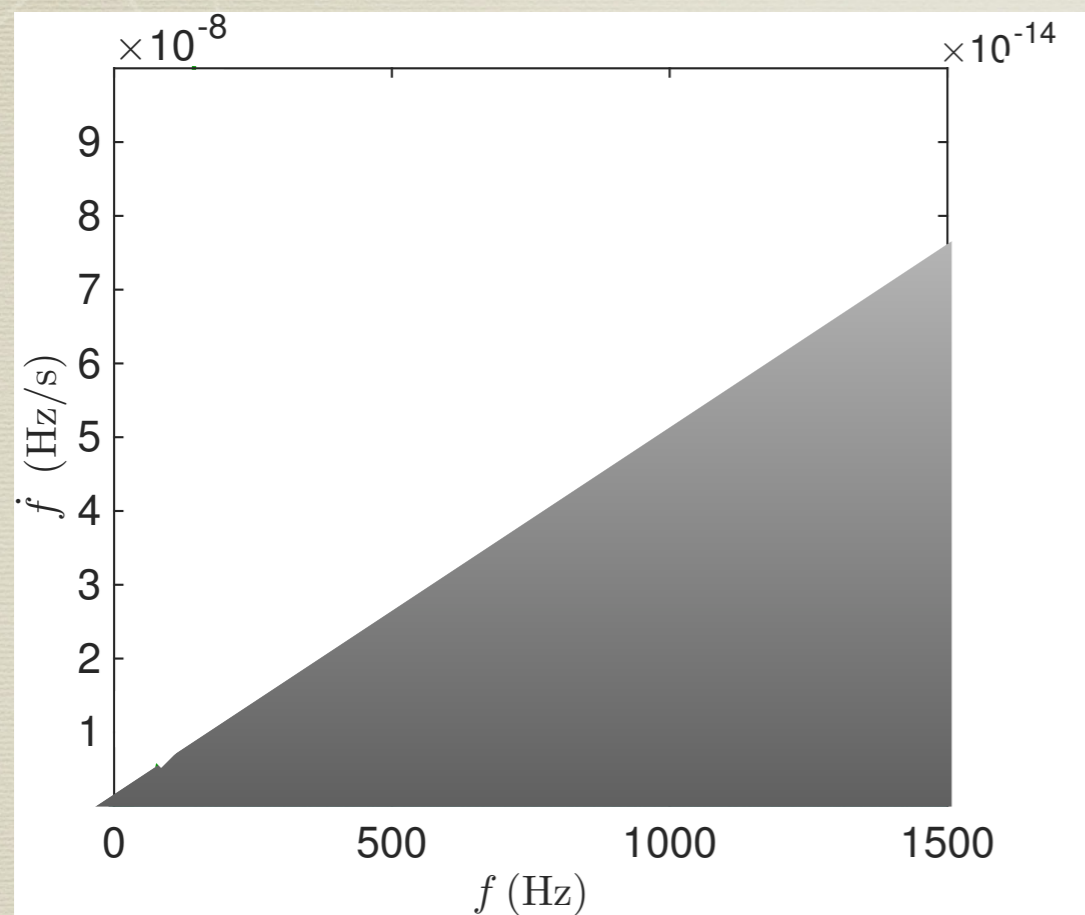
Target	Vela Jr	Cas A	G347.3
frequency search range	500 Hz ~ 1500 Hz		
Tcoh [hours]/setup index	360/18	240/7	720/38
Nsegments	12	18	6
Tspan	15552000	15552000	15552000
df (coarse)	4.6600928290491546592e-7 (=0.05/107294)	6.990074094785406e-07 (=0.05/71530)	1.902478930045850e-07 (=0.05/262815)
dfdot (coarse)	1.797883e-12	4.045236e-12	4.494707e-13
df2dot (coarse)	7.340665e-19	2.477474e-18	2.051778e-19
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# The optimisation method

- Optimisation method paper: *PRD 93, 064011 (2016)*



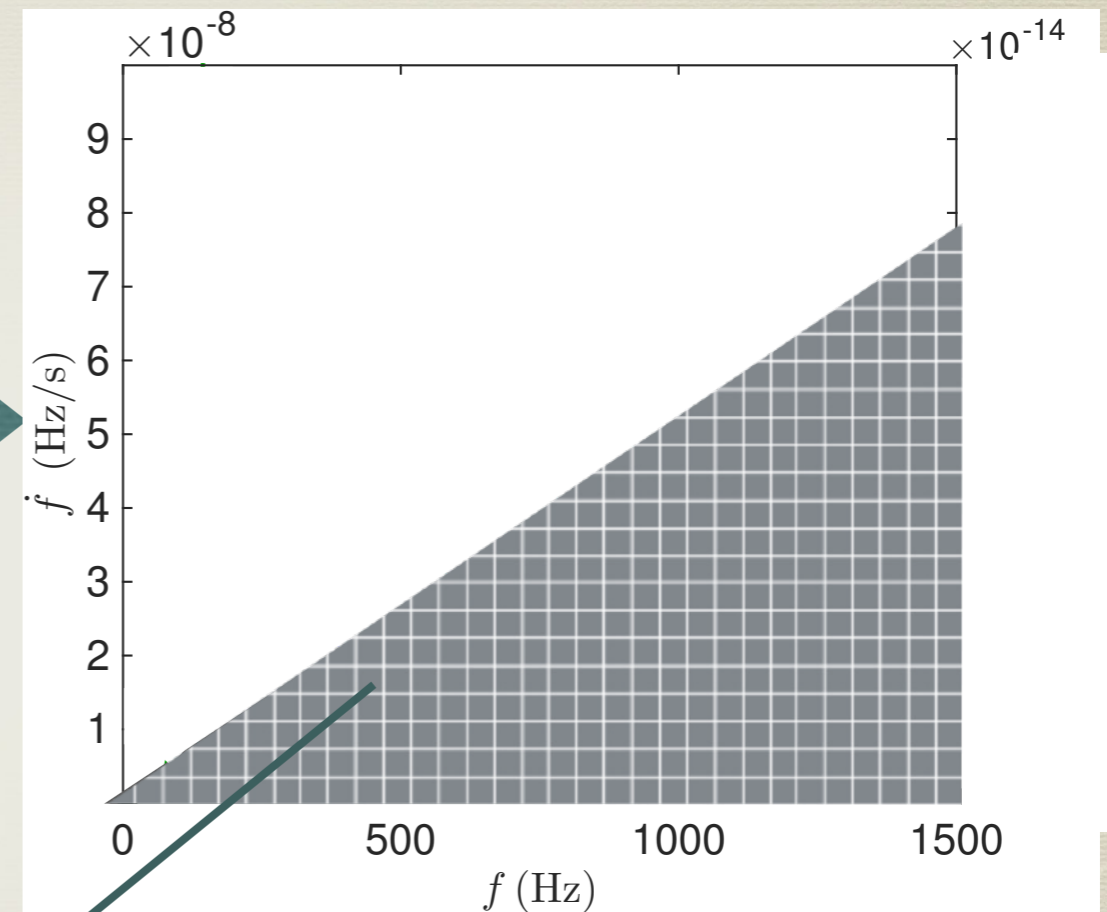
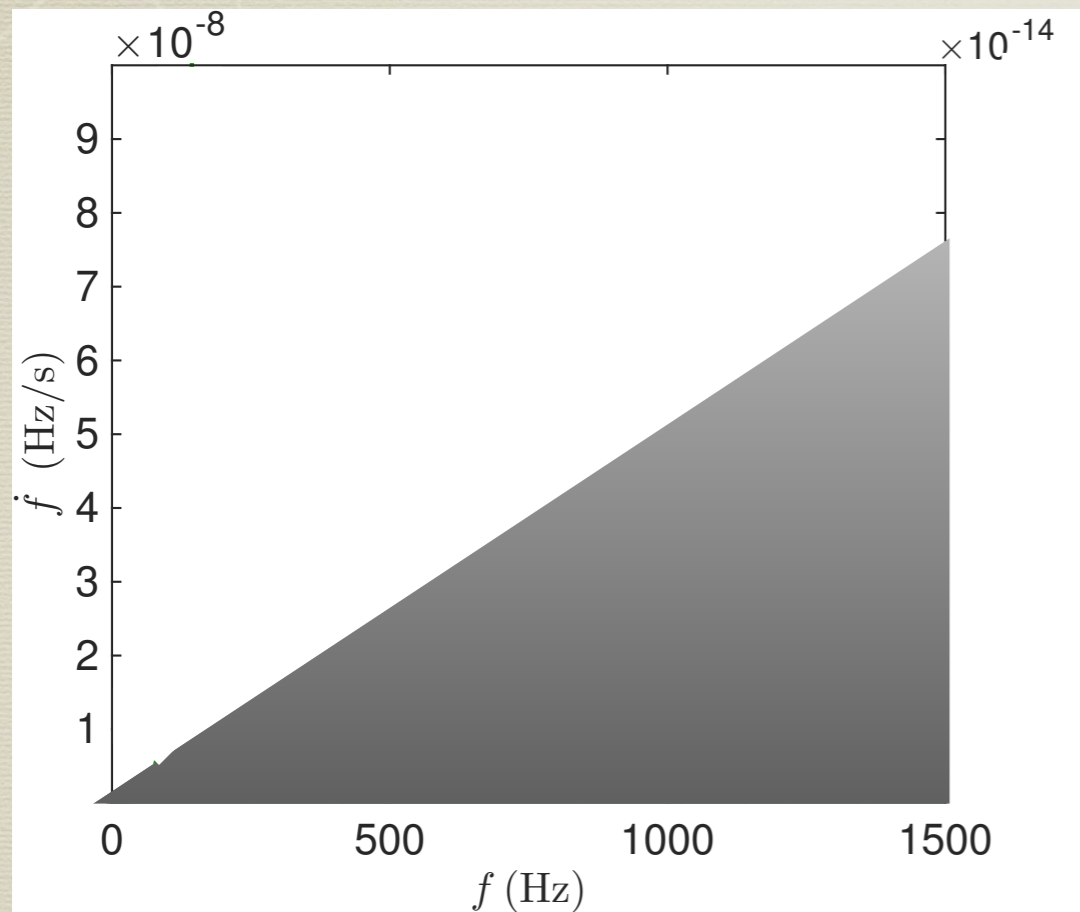
# Optimisation scheme



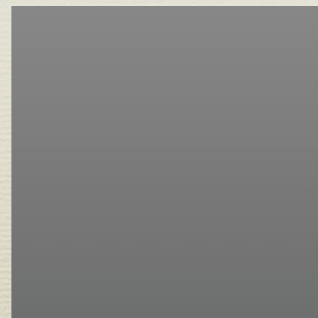
Computing cost  $C$   
Detection probability  $P$

# Optimization method

(J. Ming, B. Krishnan, M. A. Papa, C. Aulbert, and H. Fehrmann. Physical Review D, 93(6):064011, Mar. 2016.)



Restrict set-ups to be same across cells (single set-up):  
**rank** the cells by efficiency and  
**pick** cells in order of descending efficiency



Computing cost  $C$   
 Detection probability  $P$   
 Efficiency  $e = P/C$

Allow different set-ups across cells (multiple set-ups):  
 same cells from same source with different set-ups shouldn't be picked twice, **this ranking doesn't work.**

# Background info of CW

- **Template searches need lots of computing power**

- \*  $\mathcal{F}$ -statistic: detection statistic based on matched filtering filtering

- \* Computing power needed in CW searches:

Search template waveform =  $(\alpha, \delta, f, \dot{f}, \ddot{f}, \dots)$

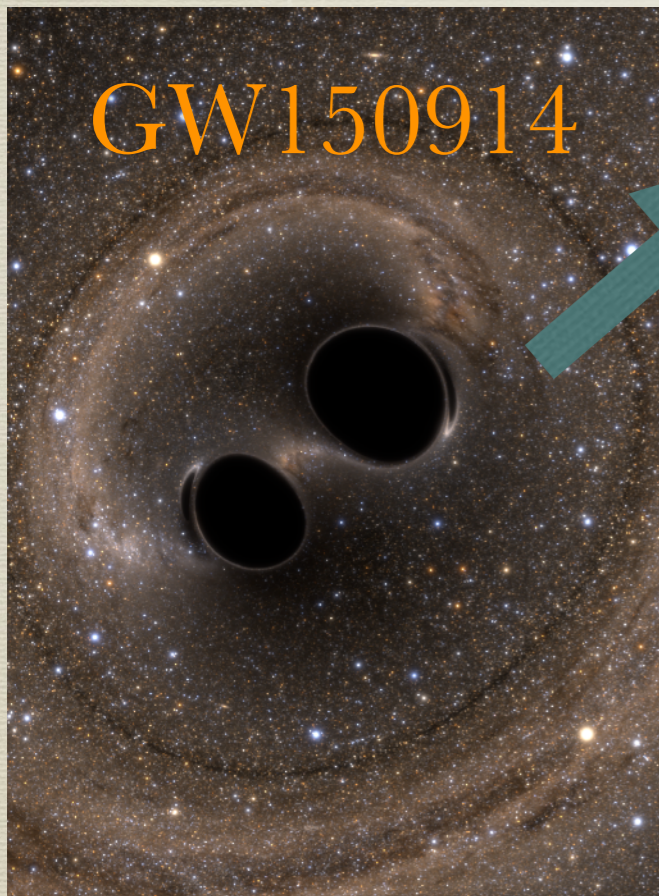
Spacing between templates:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta f &\propto 1/T_{\text{obs}} \\ \delta \dot{f} &\propto 1/T_{\text{obs}}^2 \\ \delta \ddot{f} &\propto 1/T_{\text{obs}}^3 \\ \delta \alpha &\propto 1/T_{\text{obs}} \\ \delta \delta &\propto 1/T_{\text{obs}}\end{aligned}$$

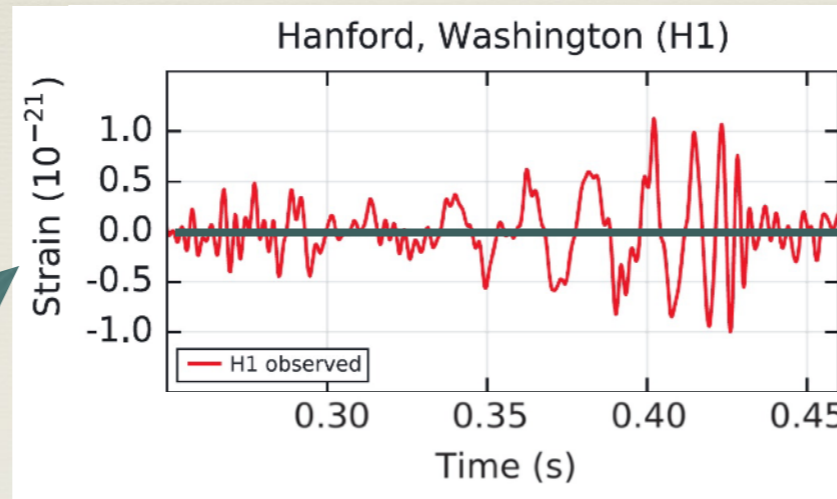
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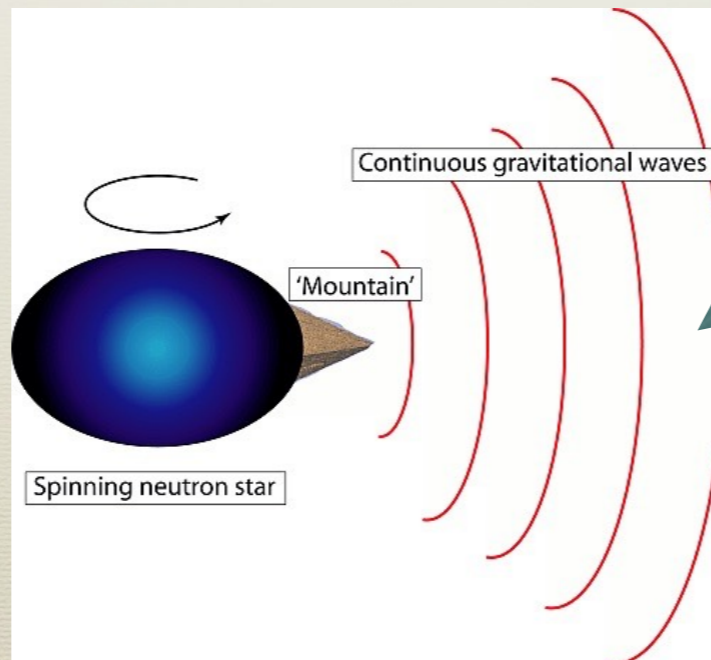
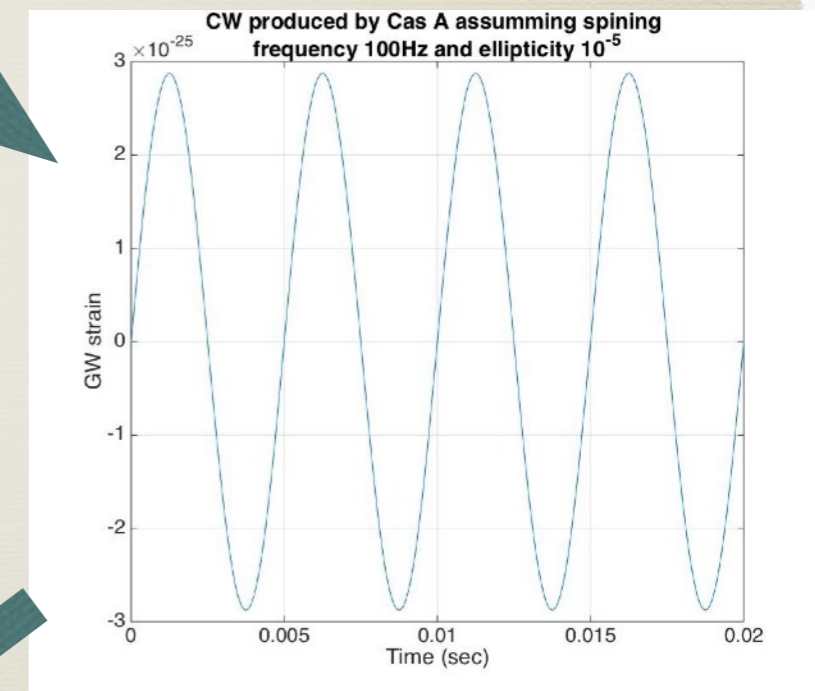
- Very weak GWs from isolated spinning neutron star



Credit: LSC



PRL 116 (6): 061102(2016)



# Background info of CW

- **Making detection or not depends on:**

**1: sensitivity of detectors (data)**

**2: sensitivity of the search (what we do)**

**A: computing budget (Einstein@Home)**

**B: how wisely we spend the budget**

**(method can maximise detection probability )**

# Results: injection and recovery

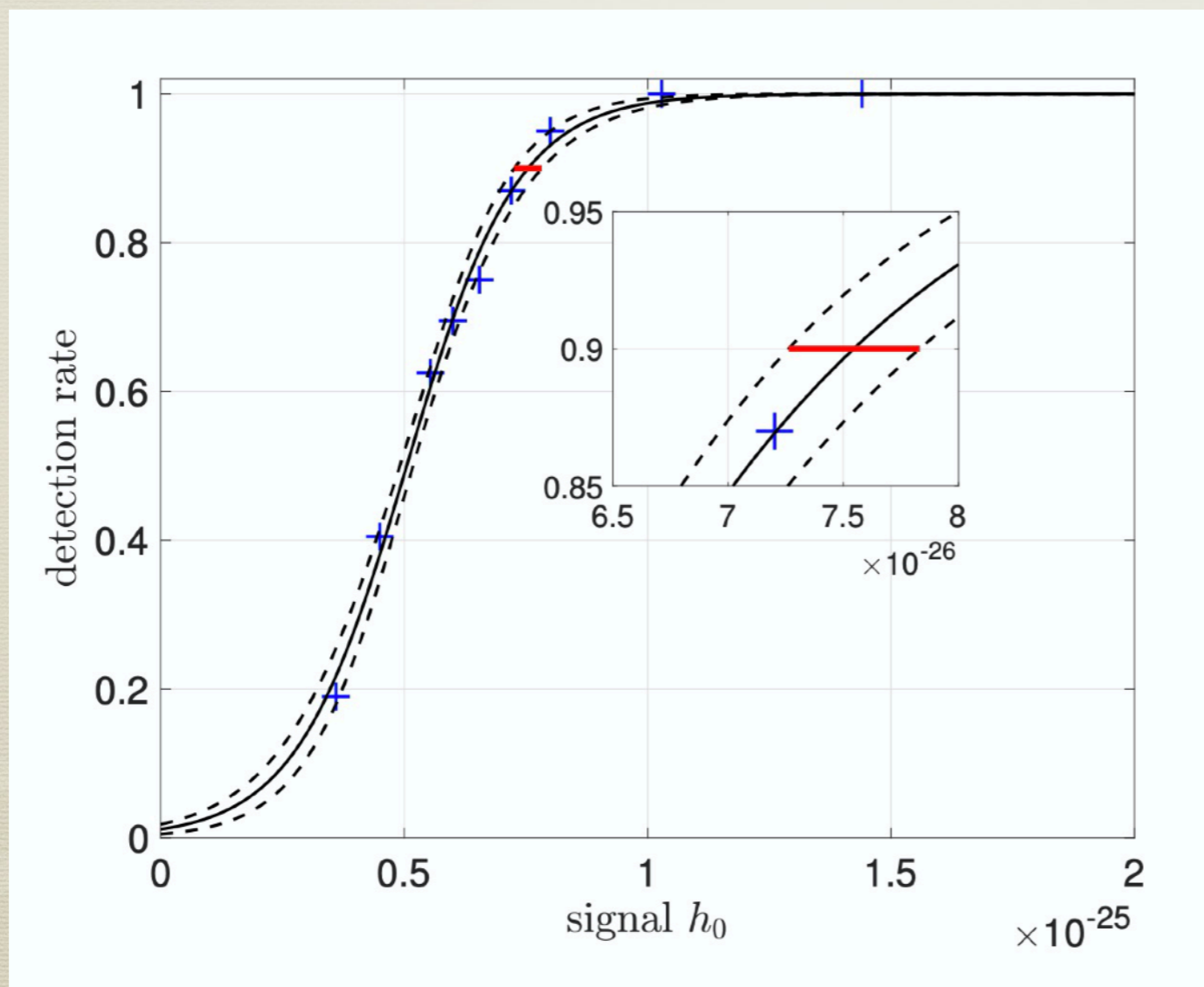
Considering 7 values of  $h_0$ , spanning the range  $[4e-26 \sim 5e-25]$ .

A search is performed with the same grids and set-up as the original E@H search, in the neighbourhood of the fake signal parameters.

Counting the fraction of recovered signals out of the total 1000.

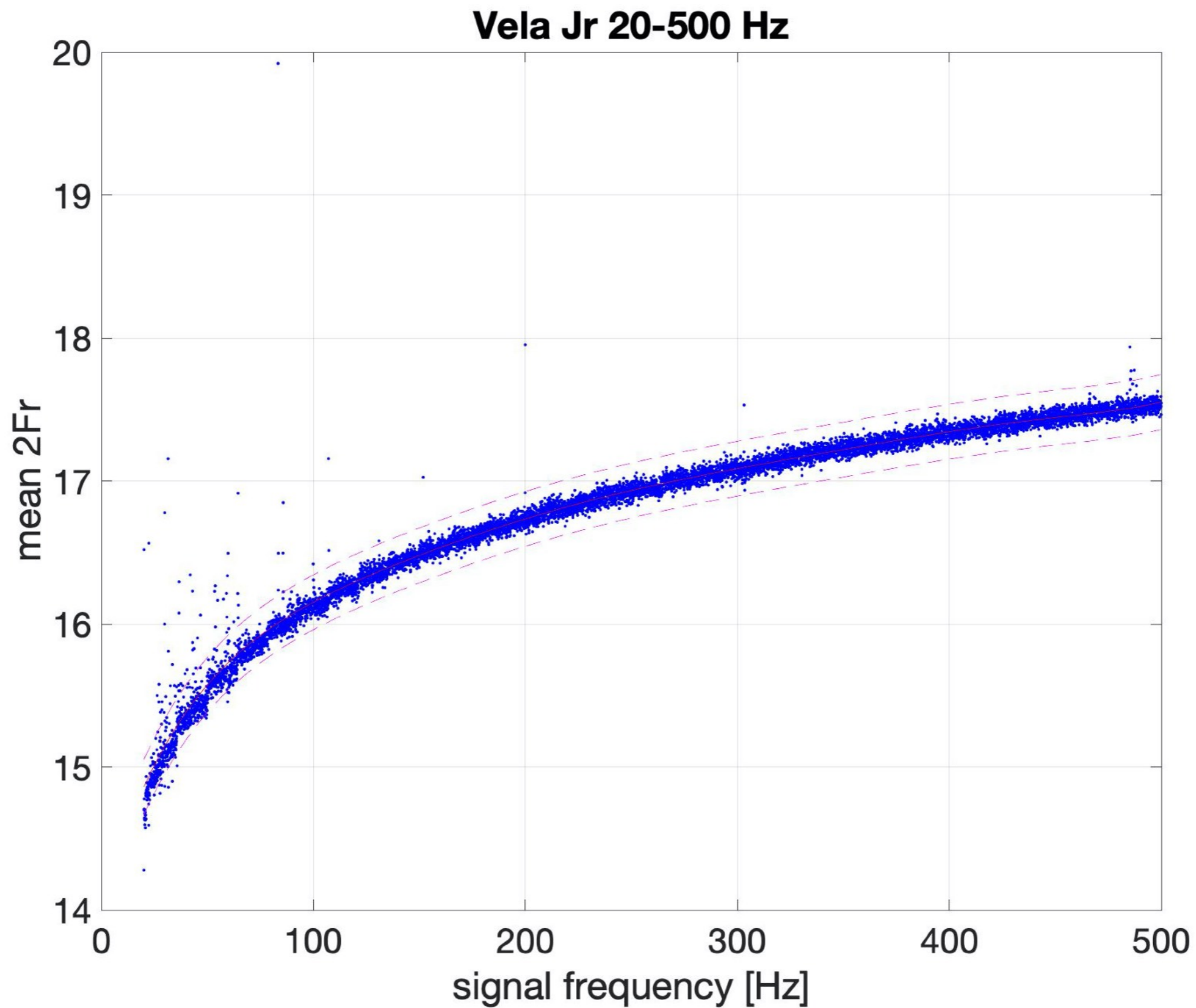
The  $h_0$  versus confidence data is fit with a sigmoid of the form

$$C(h_0) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{a-h_0}{b}\right)}$$





# disturbed band Identification



# OPTIMISE A SEARCH

Maximize the detection probability at fixed computing budget by choosing appropriately:

1: the search set-up

2: the parameter space, including which targets to search

Ming+2016

Source	Age (kyr)	Distance (kpc)	Right Ascension (h:m:s)	Declination (°:!:')	References
G18.9-1.1	2.6-6.1	1.6-2.5	18:29:13.1	-12:51:13	Ranasinghe et al. (2020), Shan et al. (2018), Harrus et al. (2004)
G39.2-0.3/3C 396	3-7.3	6.2-8.5	19:04:04.7	5:27:12	Shan et al. (2018), Su et al. (2010) Harrus & Slane (1999)
G65.7+1.2/DA 495	7-20	1-5	19:52:17.0	29:25:53	Karpova et al. (2015), Kothes et al. (2008)
G93.3+6.9/DA 530	2.9-7	1.7-3.5	20:52:14.0	55:17:22	Straal & van Leeuwen (2019), Jiang et al. (2007), Landecker et al. (1999), Foster & Routledge (2003)
G189.1+3.0/IC 443	3-30	1.4-1.9	06:17:05.3	22:21:27	Ambrocio-Cruz et al. (2017), Kargaltsev et al. (2017), Swartz et al. (2015), Fesen & Kirshner (1980)
G266.2-1.2/Vela Jr.	0.69-5.1	0.2-1	08:52:01.4	-46:17:53	Allen et al. (2014), Liseau et al. (1992)
G353.6-0.7	10-40	3.2-6.1	17:32:03.3	-34:45:18	Klochkov et al. (2015), Fukuda et al. (2014), Tian et al. (2008)
G1.9+0.3	0.10-0.26	8.5-10	17:48:46.9	-27:10:16	Reynolds et al. (2008), Roy & Pal (2014)
G15.9+0.2	0.54-5.7	6.0-16.7	18:18:52.1	-15:02:14	Reynolds et al. (2006), Sasaki et al. (2018)
G111.7-2.1/Cas A	0.28-0.35	3.3-3.4	23:23:27.9	58:48:42	Ilovaisky & Lequeux (1972), Reed et al. (1995), van den Bergh (1971), Fesen et al. (2006)
G291.0-0.1/MSH 11-62	1.2-10	3.0-10	11:11:48.6	-60:39:26	Roger et al. (1986), Moffett et al. (2001), Harrus et al. (2004), Slane et al. (2012)
G330.2+1.0	0.8-9.8	4.9-10	16:01:03.1	-51:33:54	McClure-Griffiths et al. (2001), Park et al. (2009), Borkowski et al. (2018), Leahy et al. (2020)
G347.3-0.5	0.1-6.8	0.9-6.0	17:13:28.3	-39:49:53	Slane et al. (1999), Wang et al. (1997), Cassam-Chenai et al. (2004), Lazendic et al. (2003), Tsuji & Uchiyama (2016)
G350.1-0.3	0.6-2.5	4.5-9.0	17:20:54.5	-37:26:52	Gaensler et al. (2008), Lovchinsky et al. (2011), Yasumi et al. (2014), Leahy et al. (2020)
G354.4+0.0	0.1-0.5	5-8	17:31:27.5	-33:34:12	Roy & Pal (2013)

# The detection probability

$$dP(\dot{f}_i, \dot{f}_j, s_k) = P_0(\dot{f}_i, \dot{f}_j) \times \int_{h_0\text{-min}}^{h_0\text{-max}} P_0(h_0) \times \eta(\dot{f}_i, \dot{f}_j, s_k, h_0) dh_0 d\dot{f}_i d\dot{f}_j$$

← priors  
 detection prob  
 priors  
 detection efficiency averaged over all params but  $h_0$

$$\int_{\dot{F}, \dot{F}} P_0(\dot{f}_i, \dot{f}_j) \int_{h_0\text{-min}}^{h_0\text{-max}} P_0(h_0) dh_0 = 1$$

with ranges large enough that this is true

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detection efficiency averaged over all parameters other than for  $h_0$ :

- Depends on the intrinsic amplitude of signal ( $h_0$ )
- On the sensitivity of the specific search ( $s_k$ )
- On the noise of the detectors (implicitly)

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Priors on frequency and freq derivative: uniform or log uniform.

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$$h_0\text{-max}$$

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$$h_0\text{-min}$$

$$h_0 = \frac{4\pi^2 G I_{zz} f^2 \varepsilon}{c^4 D}$$

# The detection probability

$h_0$  recast in terms of the ellipticity  $\varepsilon$

$$dP(f_i, \dot{f}_j, s_k) = P_0(f_i, \dot{f}_j) \times \int_{\varepsilon_{\min}}^{\varepsilon_{\max}} P_0(\varepsilon) \times \eta(f_i, \dot{f}_j, s_k, \varepsilon) d\varepsilon df d\dot{f}$$

$$P_0(\varepsilon) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\varepsilon \log(\varepsilon^{\max}/\varepsilon^{\min})} & \varepsilon^{\min} < \varepsilon < \varepsilon^{\max} \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

$\varepsilon_{\min} = 10^{-14}$  (from magnetic field deformations)

# The detection probability

$$\varepsilon_{\max} = \min(\text{fiducial value}, \varepsilon_{\text{spin-down}})$$

$$\varepsilon_{\text{spin-down}} = \sqrt{\frac{5c^5}{32\pi^4 G} \frac{x|f|}{If^5}}$$

- Can't have more GWs emitted than responsible for entire  $\dot{f}$  kinetic energy loss
  - Ellipticity can't be larger than that, that sustains emission at spindown level
  - In fact in general it is lower :  $x$  (from Crab: < 0.2%)