

# Constraints on neutron star equation of state from future gravitational wave observations

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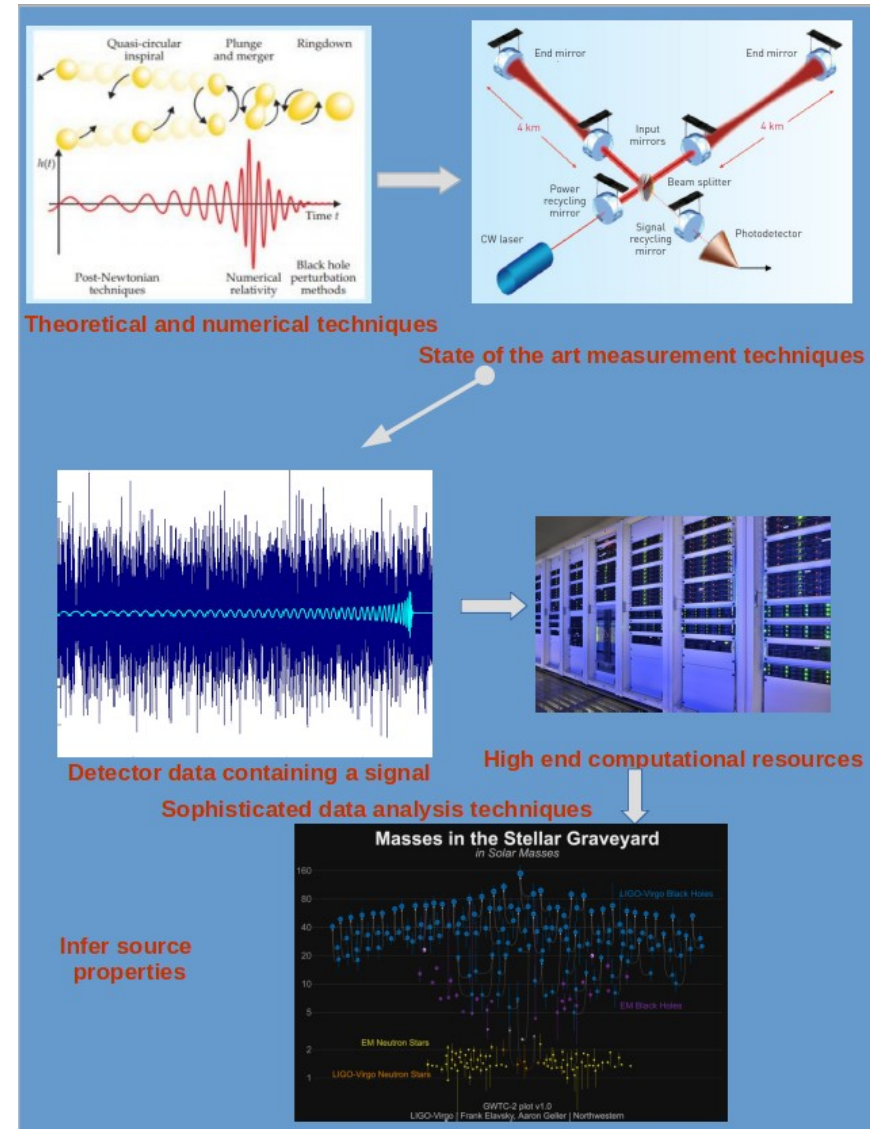


# Plan of talk

- Challenges and Science with future detectors:
  - Overlapping signals in data.
  - Systematics from incomplete modelling.
  - Extracting quasi-universal relations from future detector era.

# Gravitational wave astronomy and data analysis

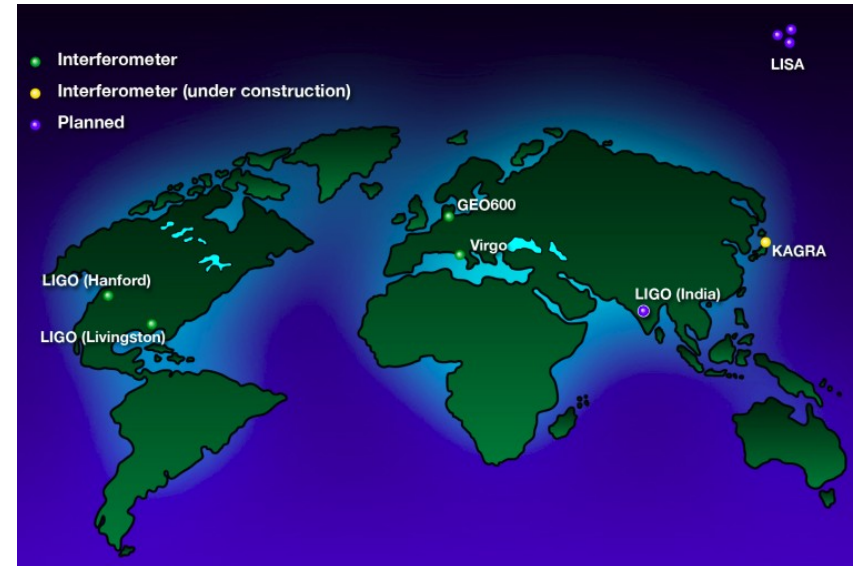
- Gravitational wave signals characterised by parameters describing their source; estimated using *statistical analysis* of data.
- *Sophisticated models needed in presence of a neutron star.*
- *Incomplete understanding of physics may lead to a modified signal.*



# Future detectors

We are here

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
<u>GWs</u>							
LIGO		O4	160-190 Mpc		O5	330 Mpc	
Virgo		90-120 Mpc		150-260 Mpc			
KAGRA		25-130 Mpc		130+ Mpc			
LIGO-						330 Mpc	

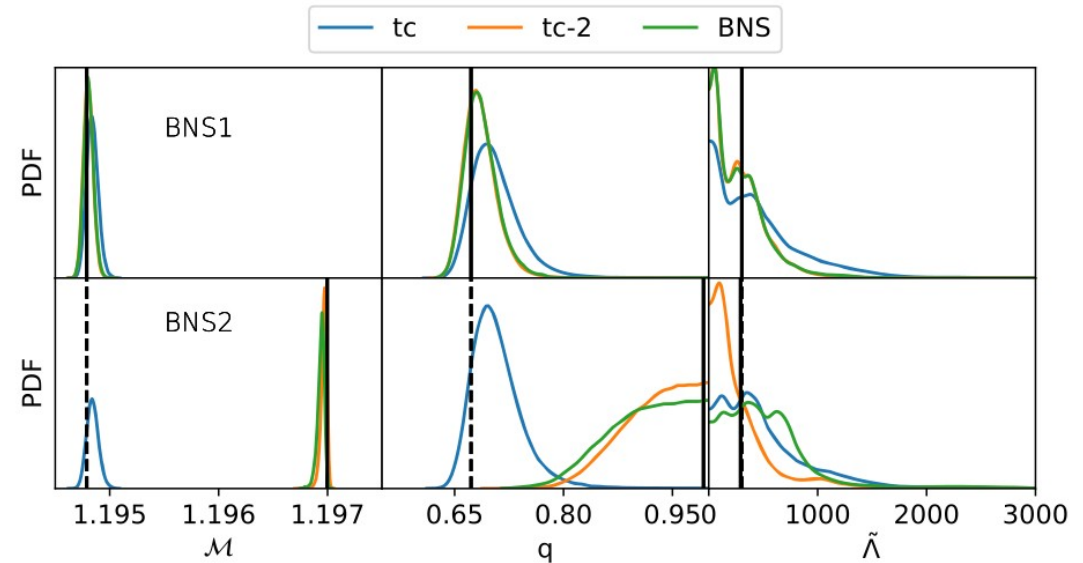


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More sensitive detectors; more accurate measurements while data analysis challenges from systematics

# Data analysis challenge: overlapping signals

- In the third generation era, GW data will contain overlapped signals.
- Such signals will still be detected; may pose a problem for robust parameter estimation.



BNS parameter estimates when two BNSs overlap

Rate	BBH mergers $> 1$	BNS mergers $> 1$	Any mergers $> 1$
Low rate	48	155	374
Median rate	127	2412	3663
High rate	303	15581	20149

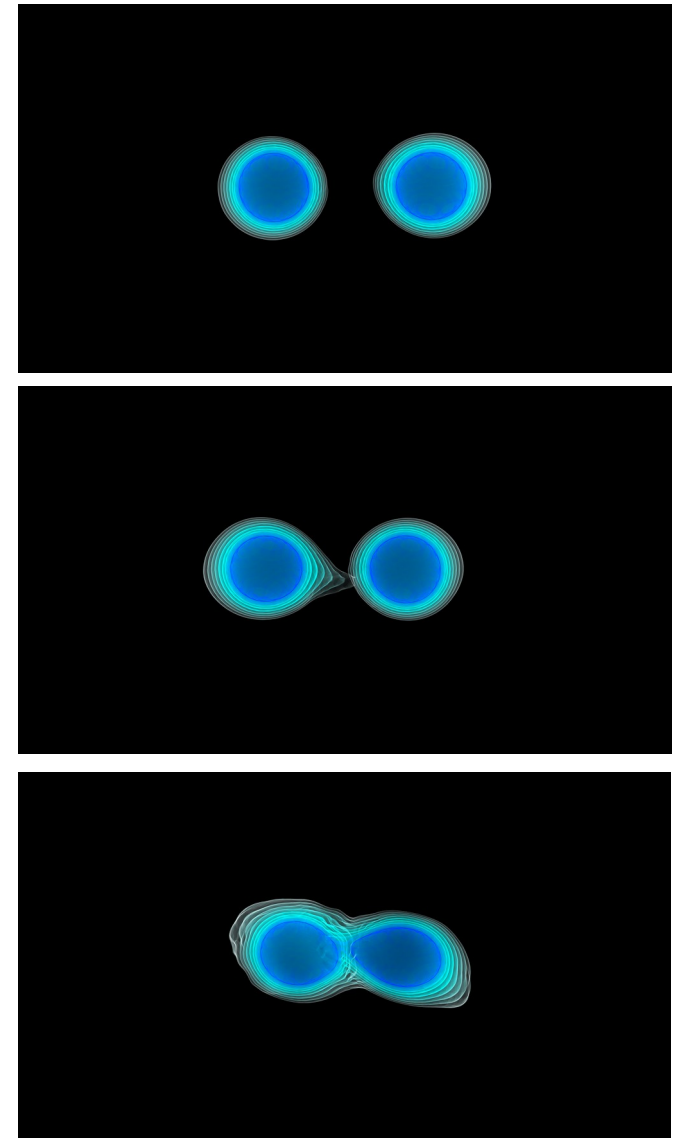
# Overlapping signals

- Extracting parameters of individual signals may become problematic with current parameter estimation infrastructure.
- Other challenges remain: parameter estimates in case of multiple overlaps, presence of spins ...

# Imprint of tidal deformability

- Neutron stars (NSs) characterised by equation-of-state  $\Lambda(m)$ ; how deformable a NS is.
- Tidal deformability imprinted in the GW phasing as a neutron star binary inspirals.

$$Q_{ij} = -\lambda(m) \mathcal{E}_{ij}$$



# Extracting tidal deformability

$$h = \mathcal{A}(f) \exp^{i\Psi(f)}$$

For a binary neutron star waveform:

$$\Psi(f) = \Psi_{\text{PP}}(f) + \Psi_{\text{SO}}(f) + \Psi_{\text{SS}}(f) + \Psi_{\text{Tides}}(f)$$

Point-particle phasing

Tidal phasing

*Do tidal estimates change as the tidal description is kept fixed, but the assumptions to model the inspiral dynamics are changed?*

Estimate tidal parameter:  $\tilde{\Lambda} = \frac{16}{13} \sum_{i=1}^2 \Lambda_i \left(\frac{m_i}{M}\right)^4 \left(12 - 11\frac{m_i}{M}\right)$

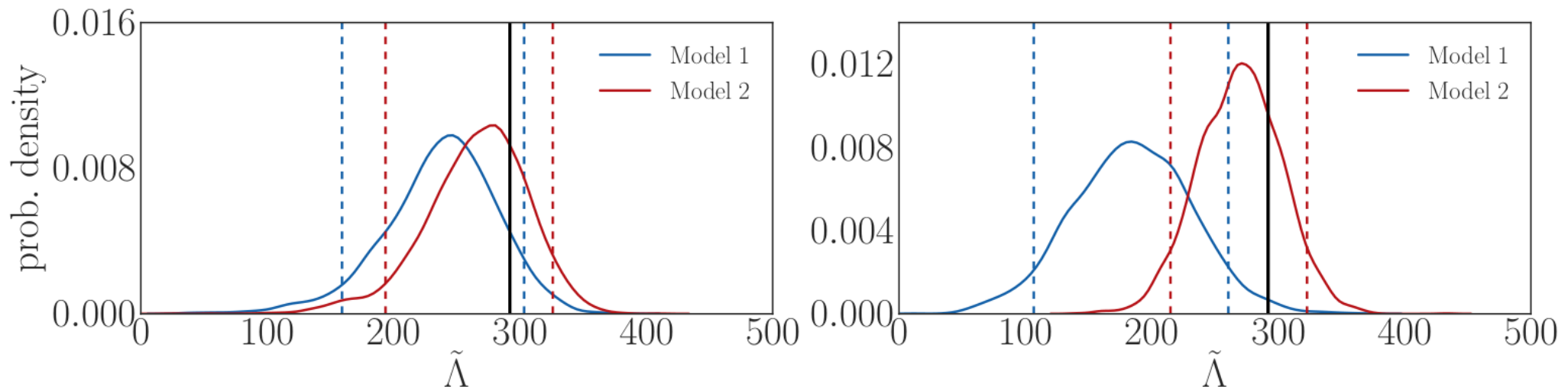
$$\Lambda_i = \frac{2}{3} k_2^i \left(\frac{R_i}{m_i}\right)^5$$



# Extracting tidal deformability in design sensitivity

## sensitivity of Advanced LIGO and Virgo

- Simulated sources in noise in design sensitivity.
- Tidal estimates consistent among waveform models for GW170817 – no longer true in future era.
- Varying the inspiral model for a GW170817-like source in design sensitivity:



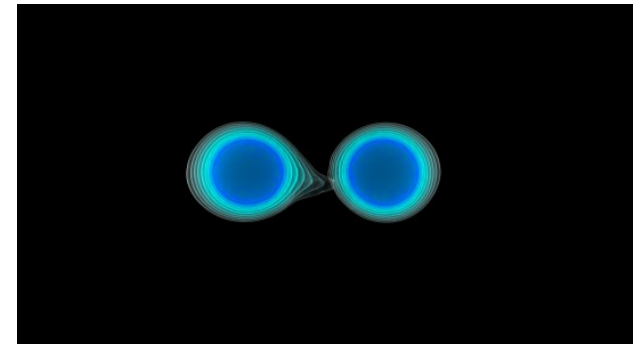
# Quasi-universal relations

- Spinning NSs become oblate and acquire an additional spin-induced quadrupole moment  $q$

$$q = -\frac{5}{2} \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{r}{M} \right)^3 \int_{-1}^1 \nu(r, \theta) P_2(\cos \theta) d \cos \theta$$

$$\text{where } P_2(x) = (3x^2 - 1)/2.$$

$$q \sim -Q\chi^2$$



- Relations found to hold across equations-of-state – quasi universal (QU) relations ([Yagi and Yunes, Science 341, 365 \(2013\)](#)):

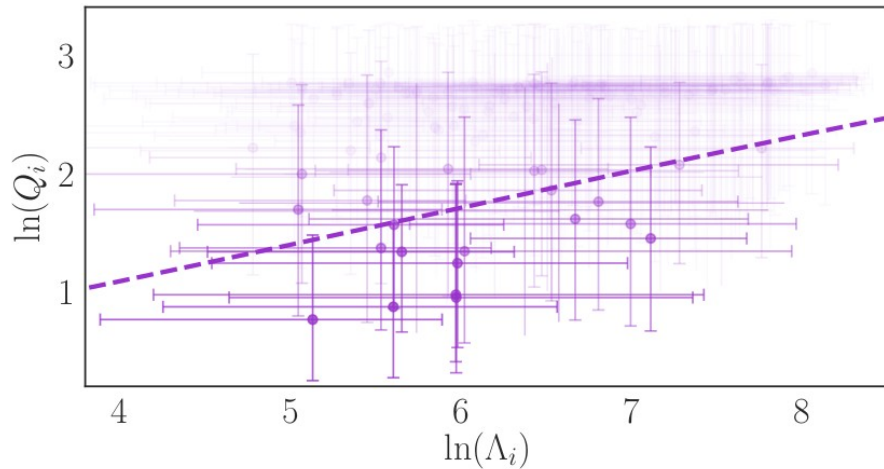
$$\ln Q_i = a + b \ln \Lambda_i + c \ln \Lambda_i^2 + d \ln \Lambda_i^3 + e \ln \Lambda_i^4$$

$$a = 0.194, b = 0.0936, c = 0.0474, d = -4.21 \times 10^{-3}, e = 1.23 \times 10^{-4}$$

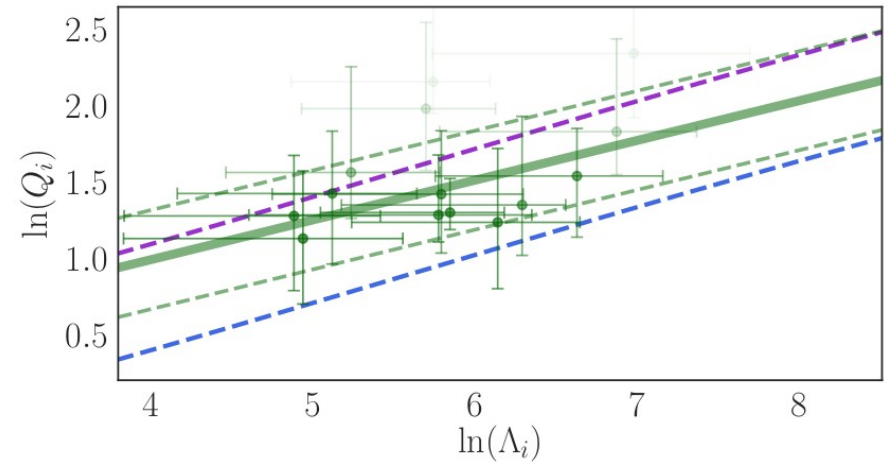
# Verifying QU relations from data

- Extracting QU relations from GW data:
  - Verify Yagi-Yunes (YY) relation
  - *Ad-hoc QU relation;  $Q \rightarrow Q_{YY}/2$*
- Simulate several binary neutron star sources in design sensitivity and third generation era.
- Find the **best fit relation from recovered Q versus  $\Lambda_s$ .**

# Verifying Yagi-Yunes relation



Simulations in design sensitivity



Simulations in 3G network

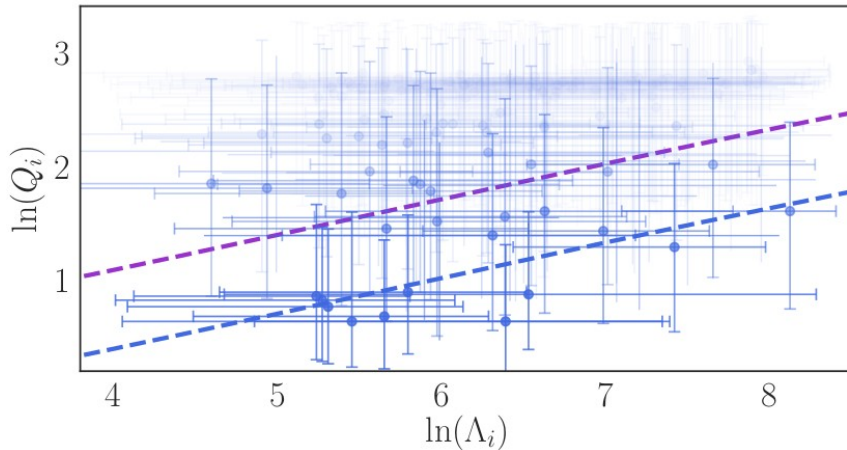
**Best fit relation:**

$$\ln Q = \hat{a}_i + \hat{b}_i \ln \Lambda$$

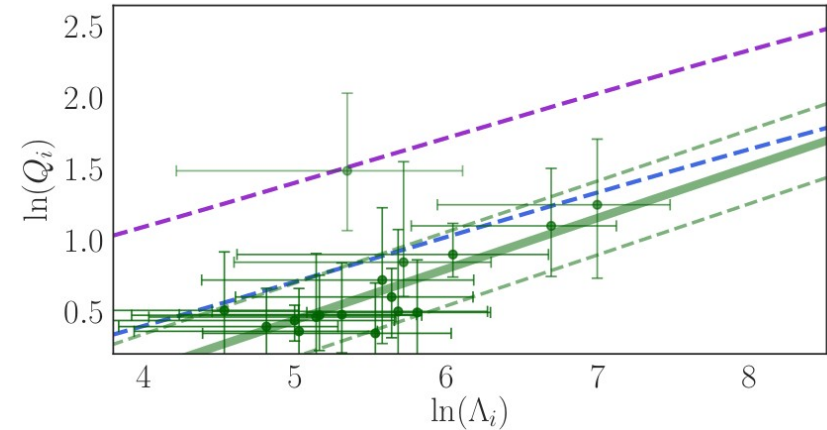
where

$$\hat{a} = -0.05014, \hat{b} = 0.2595$$

# Verifying other QU relation



Simulations in design sensitivity



Simulations in 3G network

Best fit relation:

$$\ln Q = \hat{a}_i + \hat{b}_i \ln \Lambda$$

where  $\hat{a} = -1.348$ ,  $\hat{b} = 0.357$

# Summary

- GW sources seen so far have already provided stringent constraints on fundamental Physics.
- While future detectors will be more sensitive, challenges remain to overcome systematics.
- Further constraints on fundamental Physics possible with future detectors.