

# Modelling crustal mountains in accreting systems

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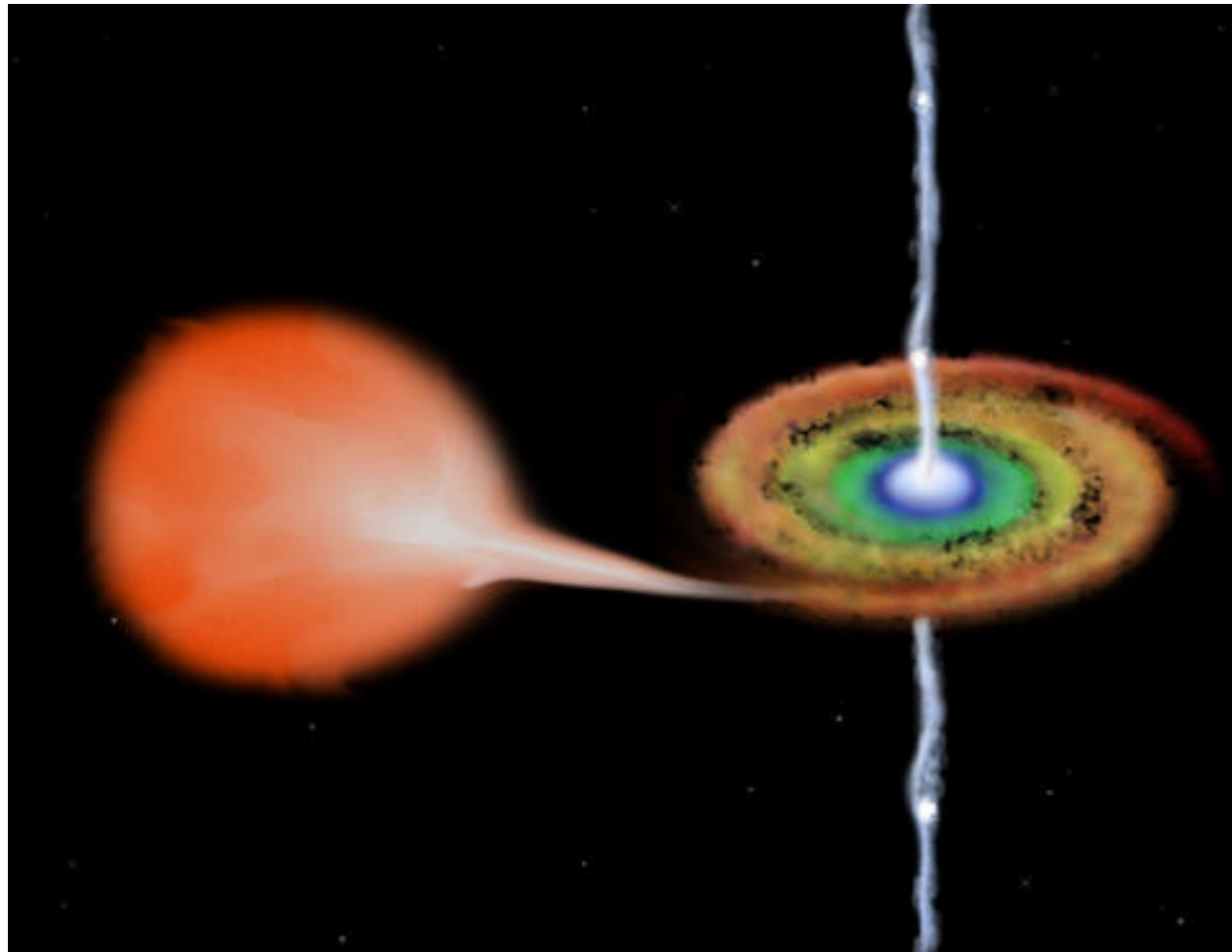
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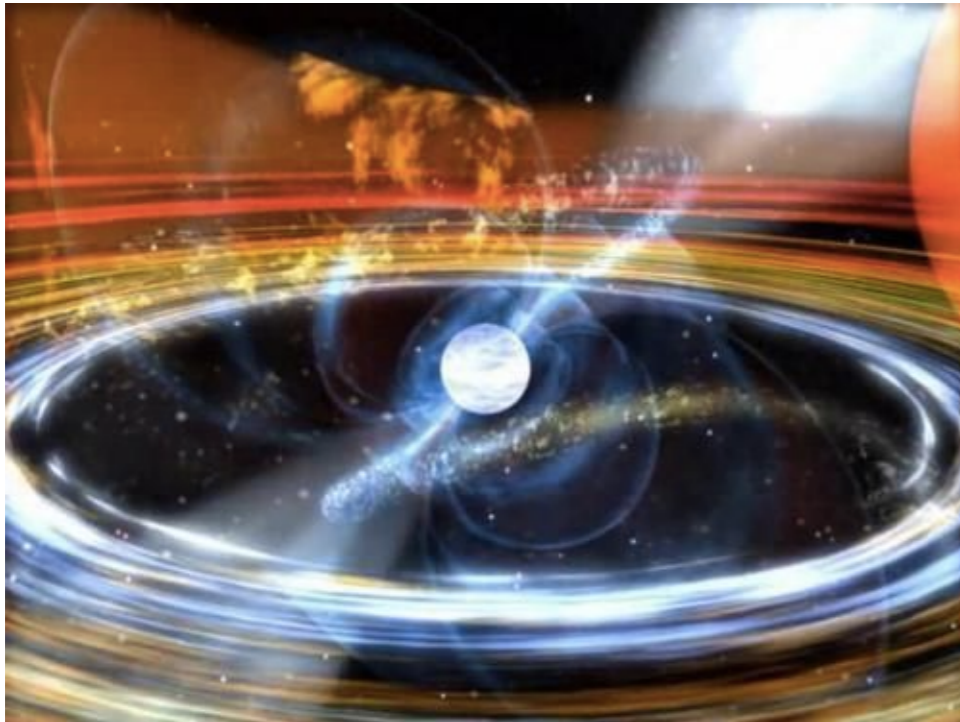
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# Low Mass X-ray Binaries



- Mass is stripped from the donor
- Forms a disc and spirals in
- Interacts with the magnetic field
- Transfers angular momentum to the central NS, spinning it up
- Weak B fields  $B \approx 10^8 \text{G}$

# GWs from Low Mass X-ray Binaries



Cutoff of distribution at  $\sim 730$  Hz

Fastest Neutron Star: 719 Hz

(Chakrabarty et al 2003, Patruno 2010, Papitto et al. 2014, Patruno, BH and Andersson. 2017)

## ■ Spin up halted well before breakup frequency

(Theoretical lower limit on max breakup  $f \sim 1200$  Hz - BH et al. in preparation)

## ■ Disk/magnetosphere interaction?

(White & Zhang 1997, Andersson, Glampedakis, BH & Watts 2006, BH & Patruno 2011, Patruno, D'Angelo & BH 2012, D'Angelo 2016, Bhattacharya & Chakrabarty 2017)

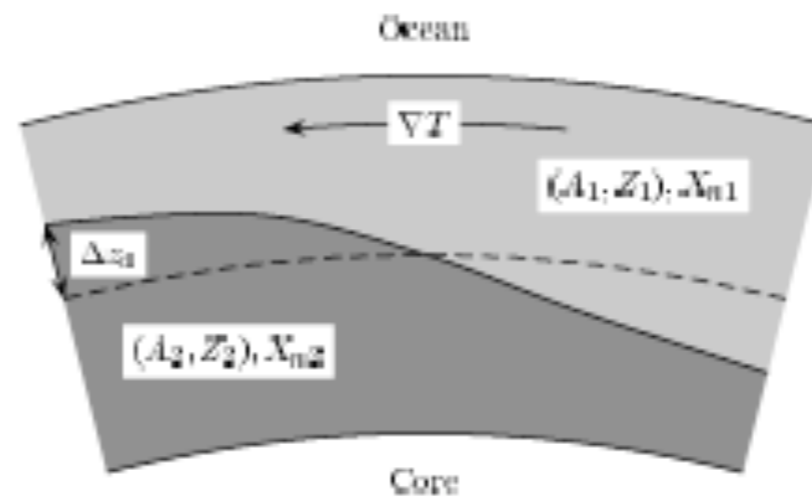
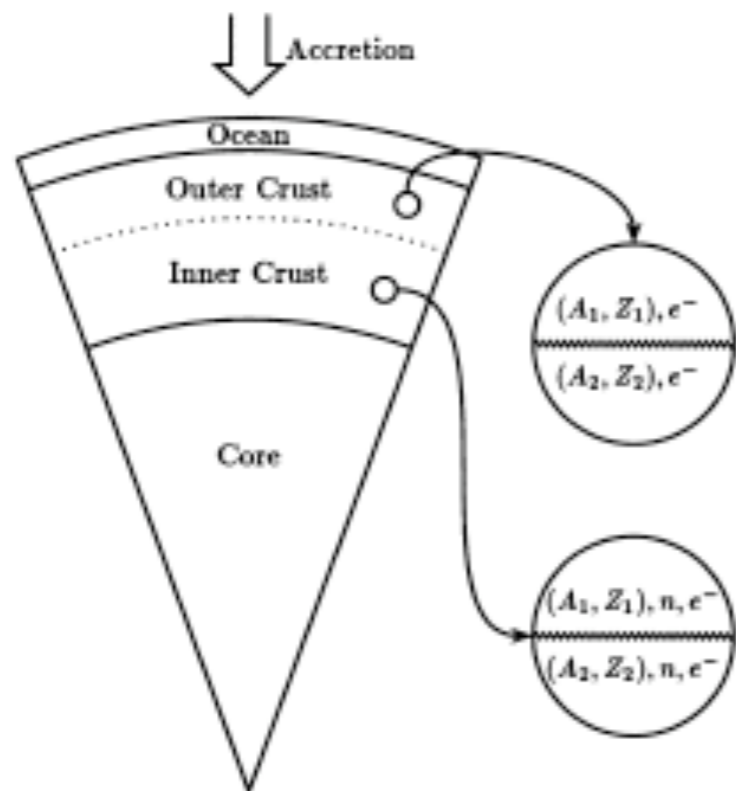
## ■ GWs!: “mountains”, unstable modes, magnetic deformations

$$\epsilon \approx 10^{-7}$$

(Bildsten 1998, Andersson 1998, Cutler 2002, BH et al. 06, BH et al. 08, Payne & Melatos 05)

# Thermal mountains

- Mountains from ‘wavy’ capture layers in crust

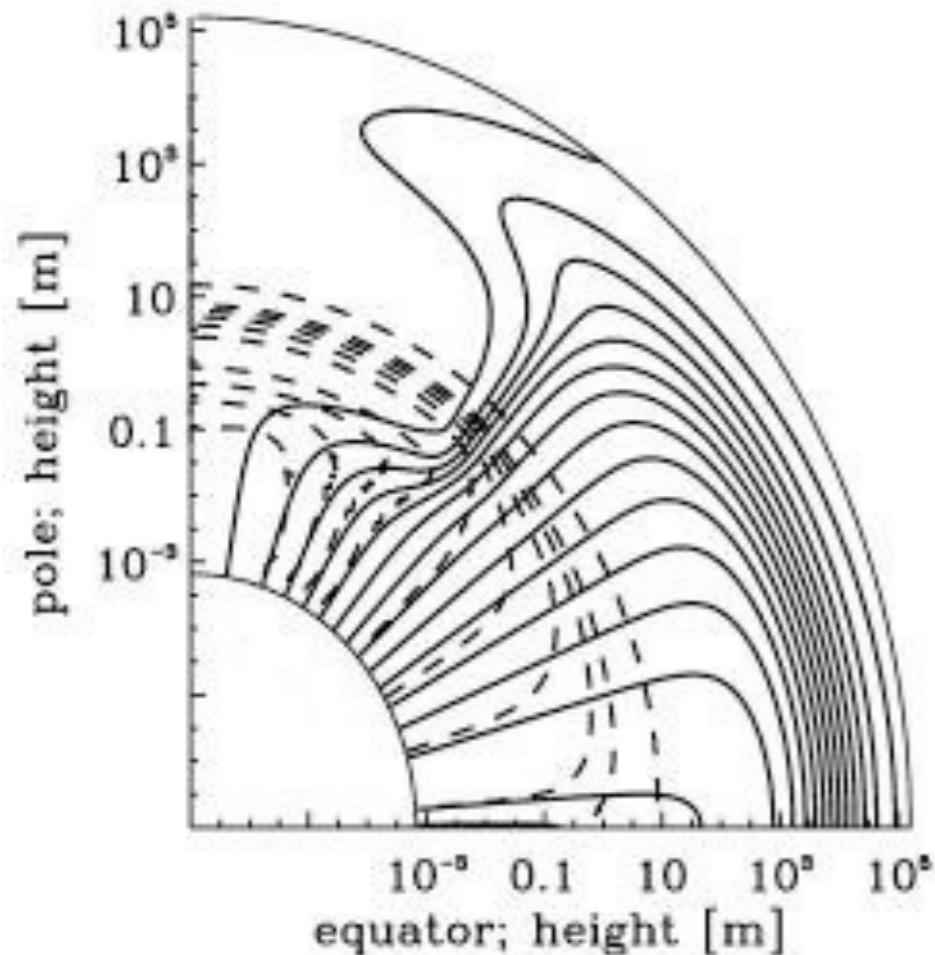


(Ushomirsky, Cutler, Bildsten 2000)

- Deep crustal heating ‘consistent’ with cooling observations from X-ray transients.

(Haensel & Zdunik 1998, 2008) (Degenaar et al 2015)

# Magnetic mountains



- In accreting systems  
Magnetic field distorted by  
the accretion flow

- Possibility of confining a  
'mountain'

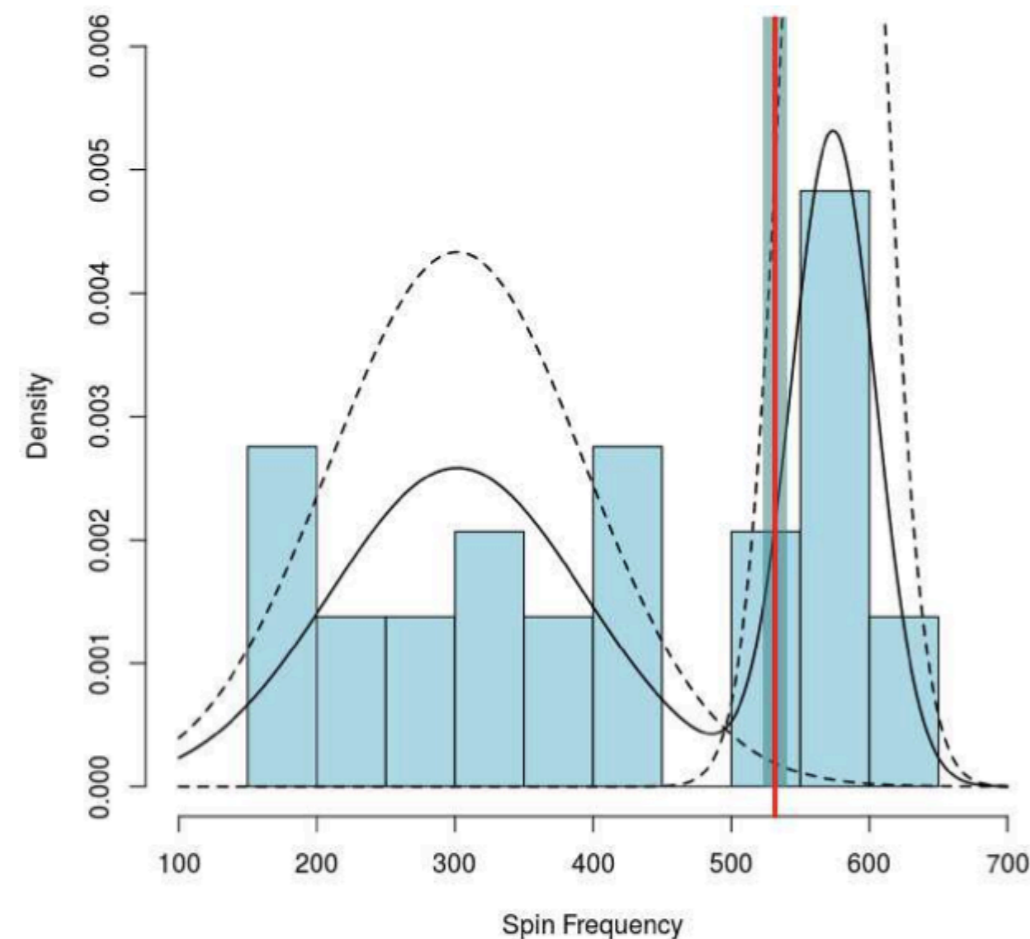
(Payne & Melatos 2005, Priymak et al. 2011, Mukherjee et al. 2012)

- Chuck's talk! (Fattoyev et al. 2018)

- r-modes: Ben's talk, Kai's talk

# The spin of Low Mass X-ray Binaries

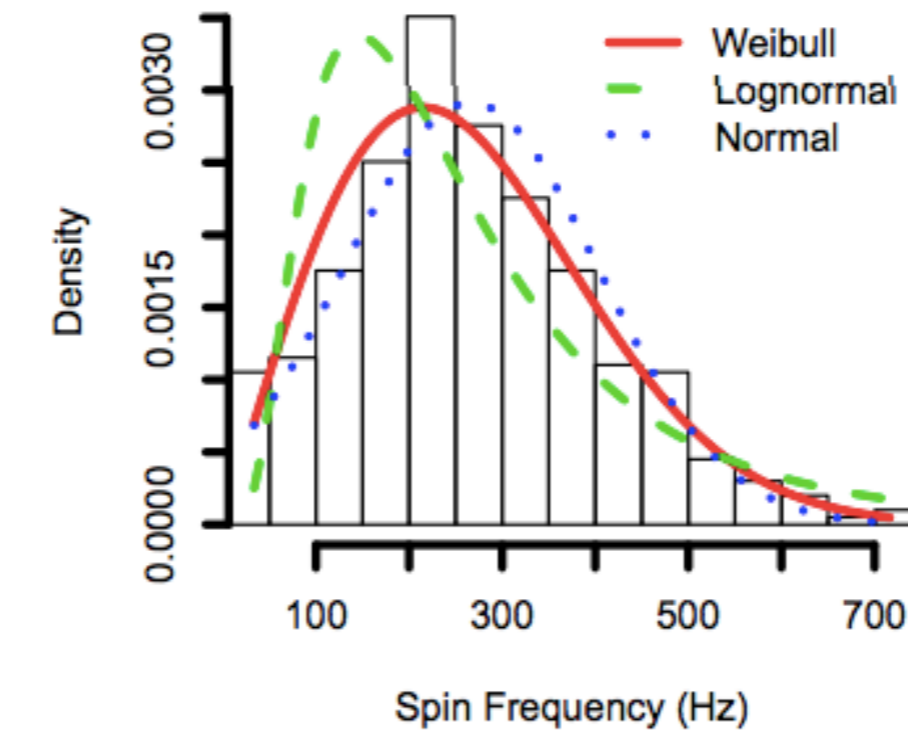
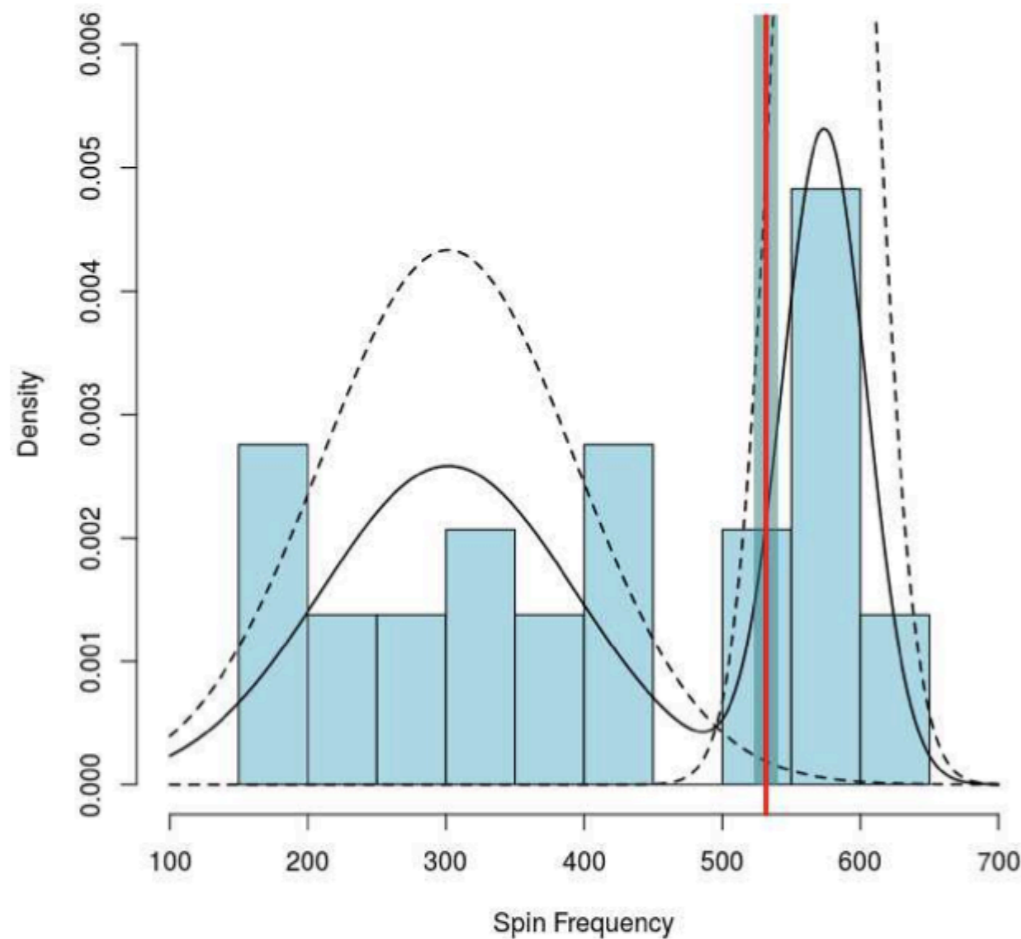
- Spin distribution is bimodal, with a cutoff around 540 Hz
- Slow population widely distributed around 300 Hz
- Ms Radio Pulsar distribution is NOT bimodal, but consistent with the slow population



(Patruno, BH & Andersson 2017)

# The spin of Low Mass X-ray Binaries

Histogram and theoretical densities



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# Which are the fast pulsars?

- 6 NXPs, 4 AMXPs (30 in the full sample)
- Two ‘transitional’ pulsars
- one is J1023+0038: well monitored in radio and X-ray

$$\dot{\nu}_{\text{radio}} = -2.3985 \times 10^{-15} \text{ Hz/s}$$

$$\dot{\nu}_{\text{xray}} = -3.0413 \times 10^{-15} \text{ Hz/s} \quad \underline{\underline{27\% \text{ faster!}}}$$

- Problem for accretion torque models....



# So what about GWs?

- Can GWs explain the additional spin-down?

$$\dot{\nu}_{\text{diff}} = -6.428 \times 10^{-16} \text{ Hz/s} \quad (\text{BH \& Patruno 2017})$$

- Mountain:

$$Q_{22} \approx 4.4 \times 10^{35} \text{ g cm}^2$$

$$\varepsilon \approx 5 \times 10^{-10} \quad h \approx 6 \times 10^{-28}$$

- r-mode

$$\alpha \approx 5 \times 10^{-8}$$



# So what about GWs?

## ■ Thermal Mountain:

$$Q_{22} \approx 3 \times 10^{35} \left( \frac{\delta T_q}{10^5 \text{ K}} \right) \left( \frac{E_{th}}{30 \text{ MeV}} \right)^3 \text{ g cm}^2$$

(Ushomirsky, Cutler & Bildsten 2000)

$\delta T \approx 5 \times 10^6 \text{ K}$  after 1 month of accretion

$$\frac{\delta T_q}{\delta T} \approx 0.03$$

(BH & Patruno 2017)

# Crustal (thermal and magnetic) mountains

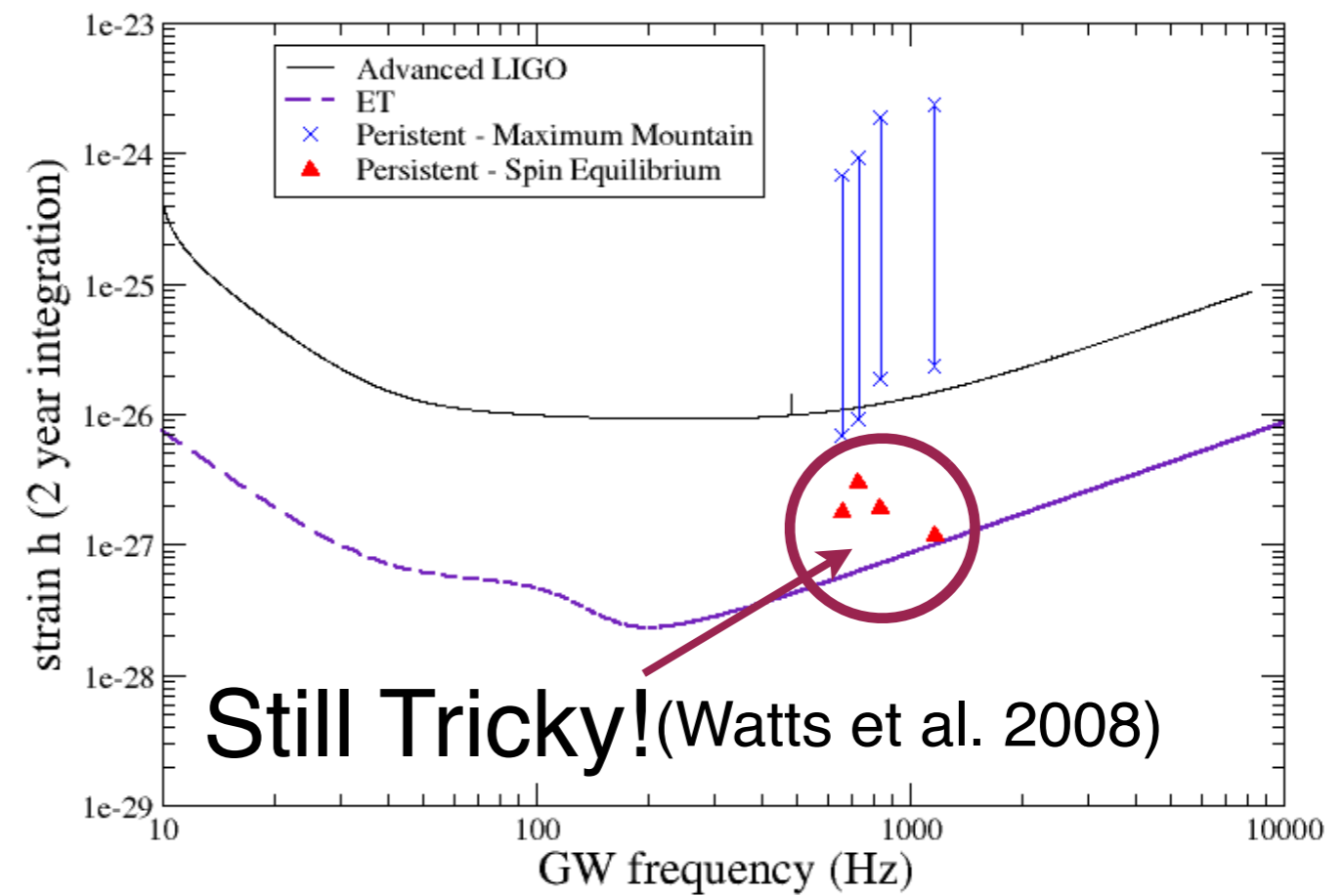
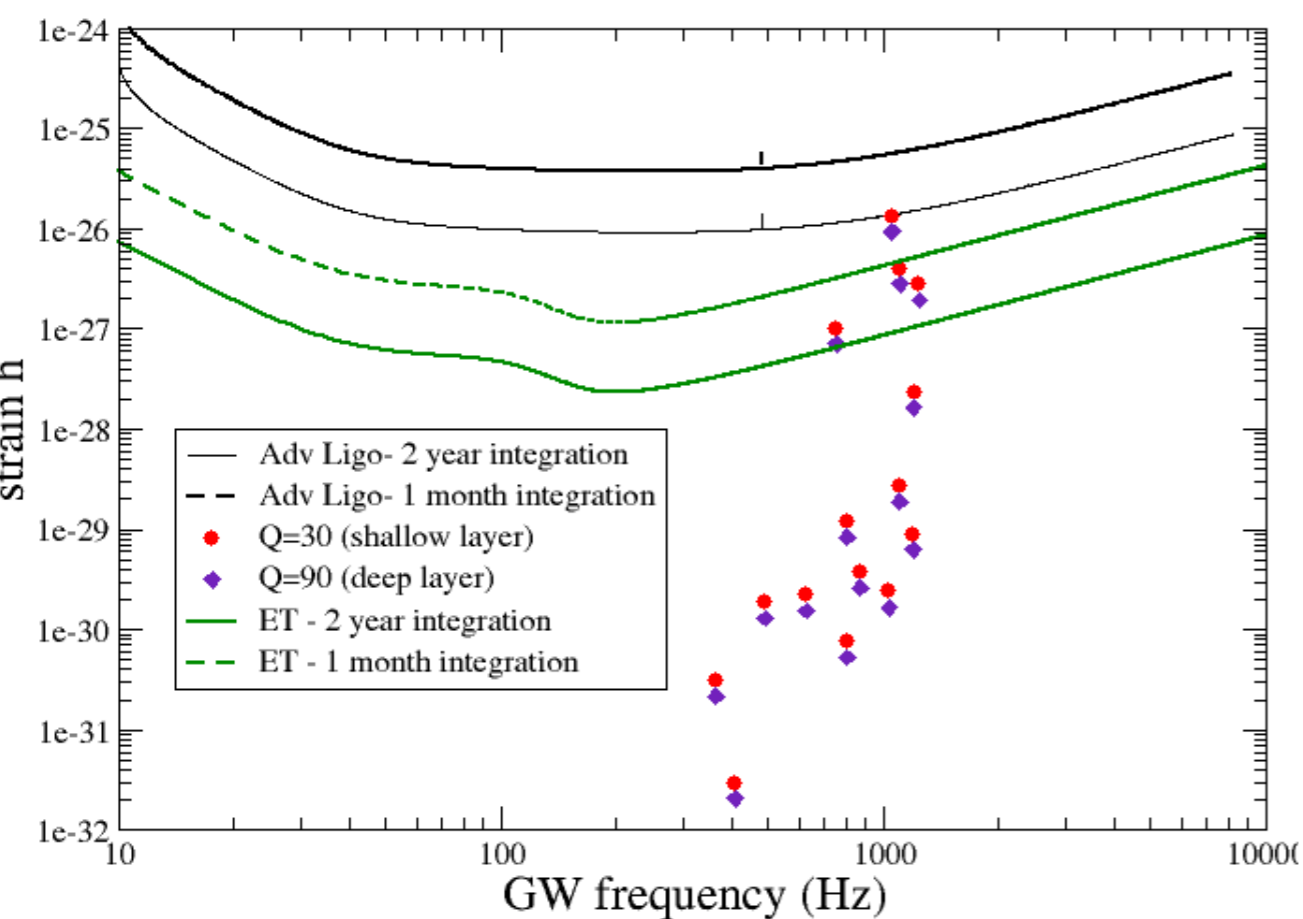
- Mountain accumulates during outbursts
- Does it dissipate between outbursts?

Source	$\nu$ (Hz)	$d$ (kpc)	$\langle \dot{M} \rangle$ ( $10^{-10} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ )	$\Delta t$ (d)	Ref.
SAX J1808.4–3658	401	3.5	4	30	Patruno et al. (2009)
XTE J1751–305	435	7.5	10	10	Miller et al. (2003)
XTE J1814–338	314	8	2	60	this work
IGR J00291+5934	599	5	6	14	Falanga et al. (2005)
HETE J1900.1–2455	377	5	8	3000	Papitto et al. (2013b)
Aql X-1	550	5	10	30	Güngör, Güver & Eksi (2011)
Swift J1756.9–2508	182.1	8	5	10	Krimm et al. (2007)
NGC 6440 X-2	204.8	8.5	1	4	this work
IGR J17511–3057	244.9	6.9	6	24	Falanga et al. (2011)
IGR J17498–2921	400.9	7.6	6	40	Falanga et al. (2012)
Swift J1749.4–2807	518	6.7	2	20	Ferrigno et al. (2011)
EXO 0748–676	552	5.9	3	8760	Degenaar et al. (2011)
4U 1608–52	620	3.6	20	700	Gierlinski & Done (2002)
KS 1731–260	526	7	11	4563	Narita, Grindlay & Barret (2001)
SAX J1750.8–2900	601	6.8	4	100	this work
4U 1636–536	581	5	30	pers.	this work
4U 1728–34	363	5	5	pers.	Egron et al. (2011)
4U 1702–429	329	5.5	23	pers.	this work
4U 0614+091	415	3.2	6	pers.	Piraino et al. (1999)

(BH, Priymak, Patruno, Oppenoorth, Melatos & Lasky 2015)

# Thermal mountains

■ If deformations of J1023+0038 are typical, persistent sources promising



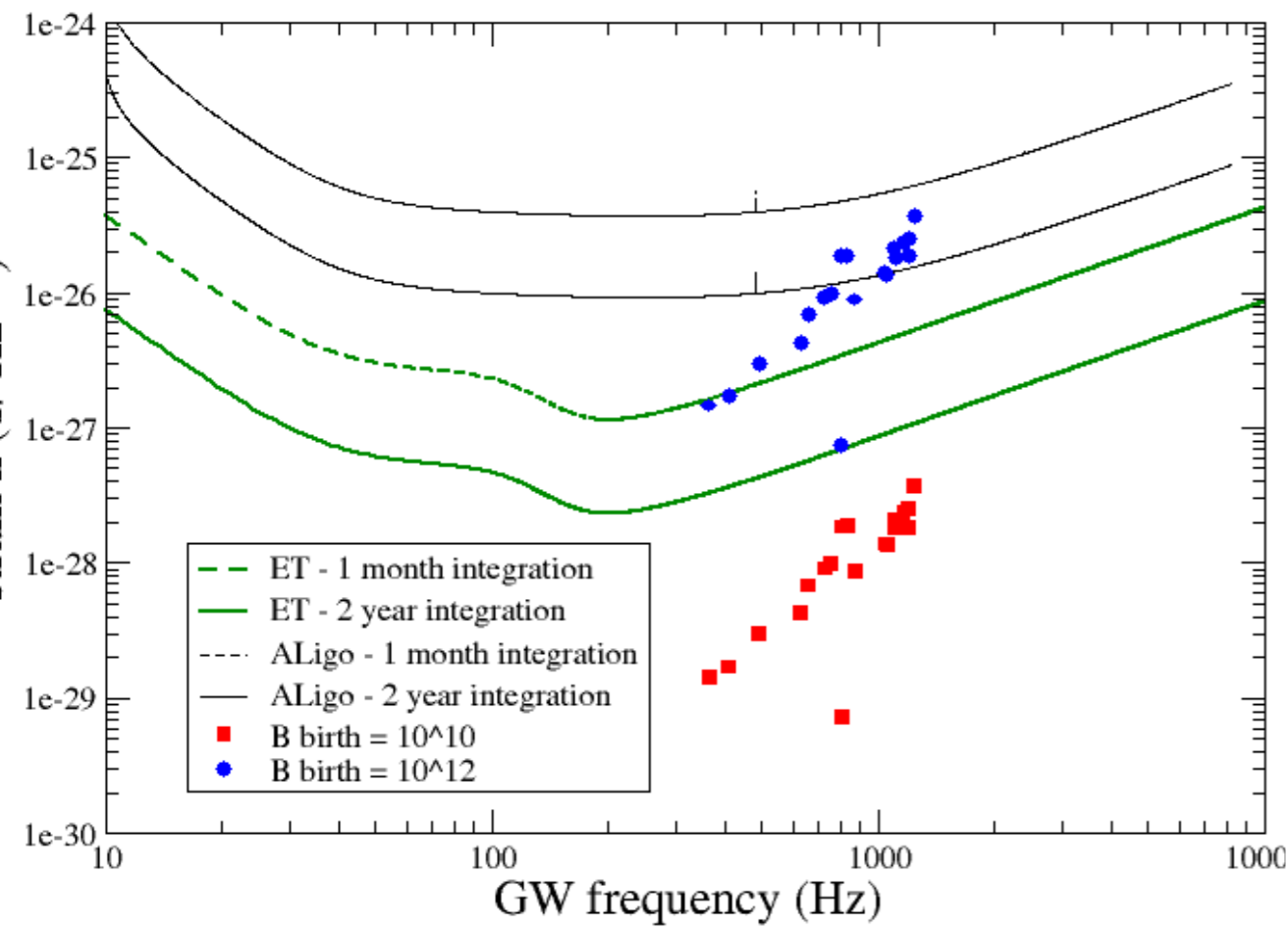
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# Magnetic mountains

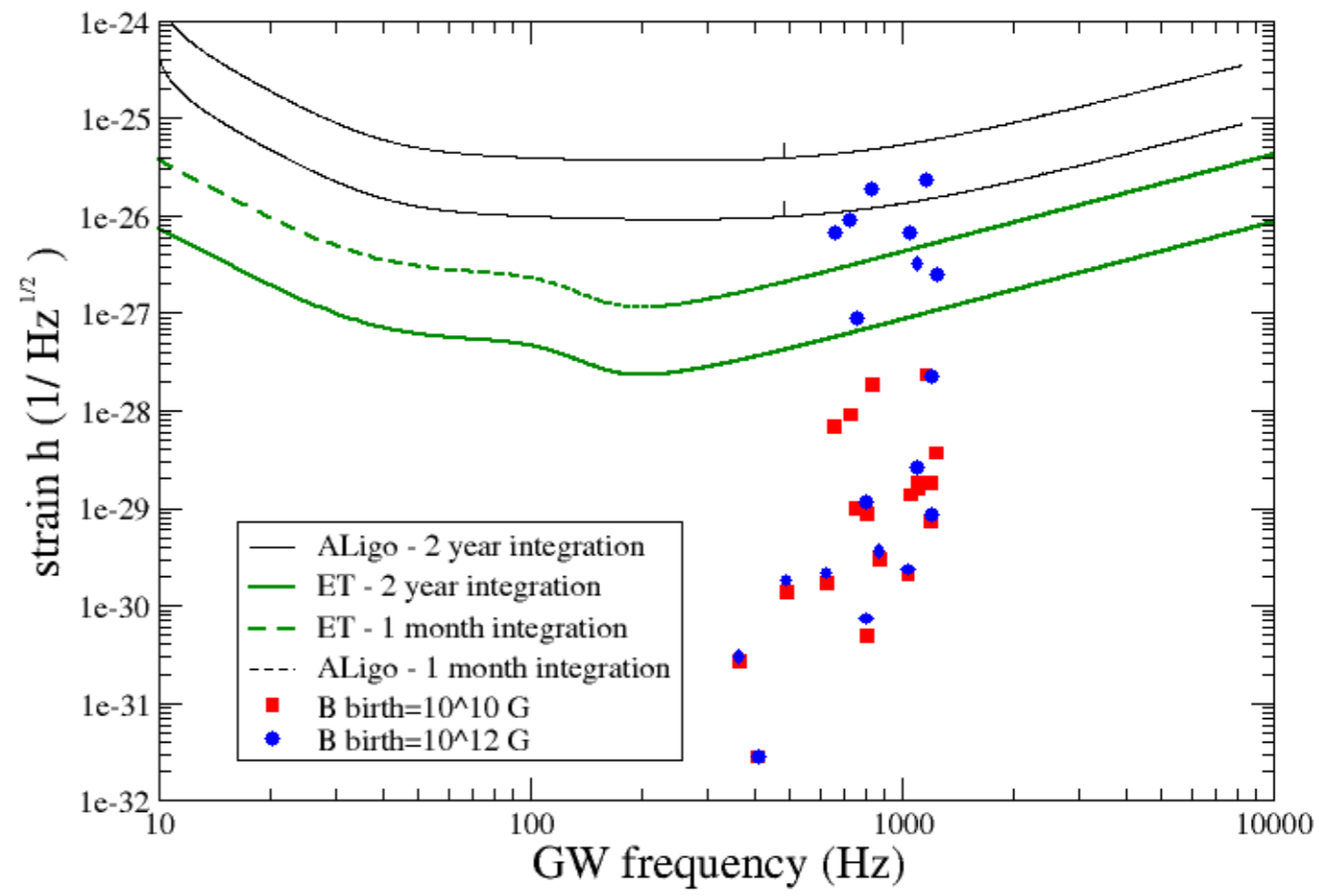
■ Only systems with strong buried fields detectable

■ Possible cyclotron features

(BH, Priymak, Patruno, Oppenoorth, Melatos & Lasky 2015)



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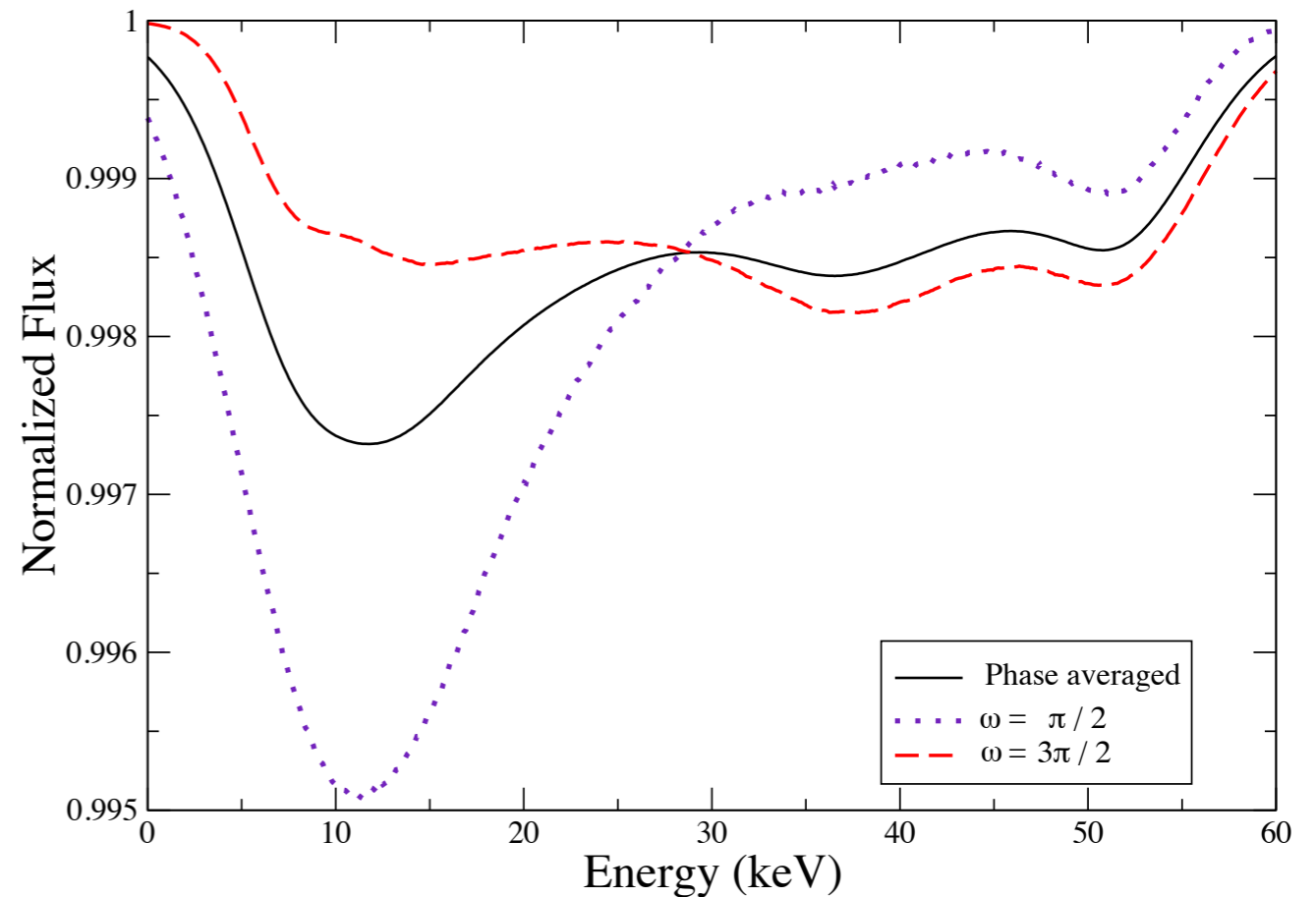
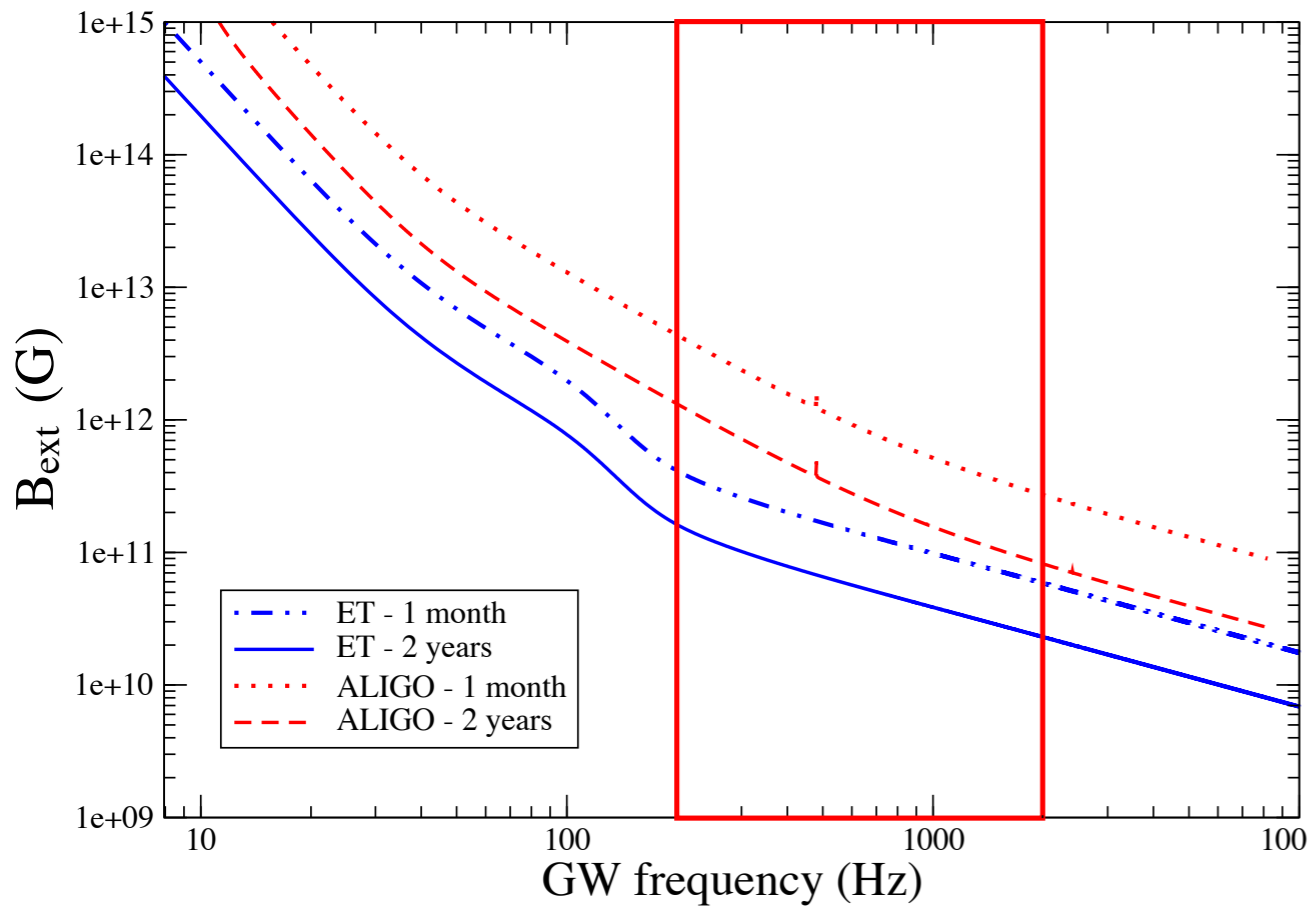


Transient

# Magnetic mountains

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what is  $\frac{\delta T_q}{\delta T}$  ?

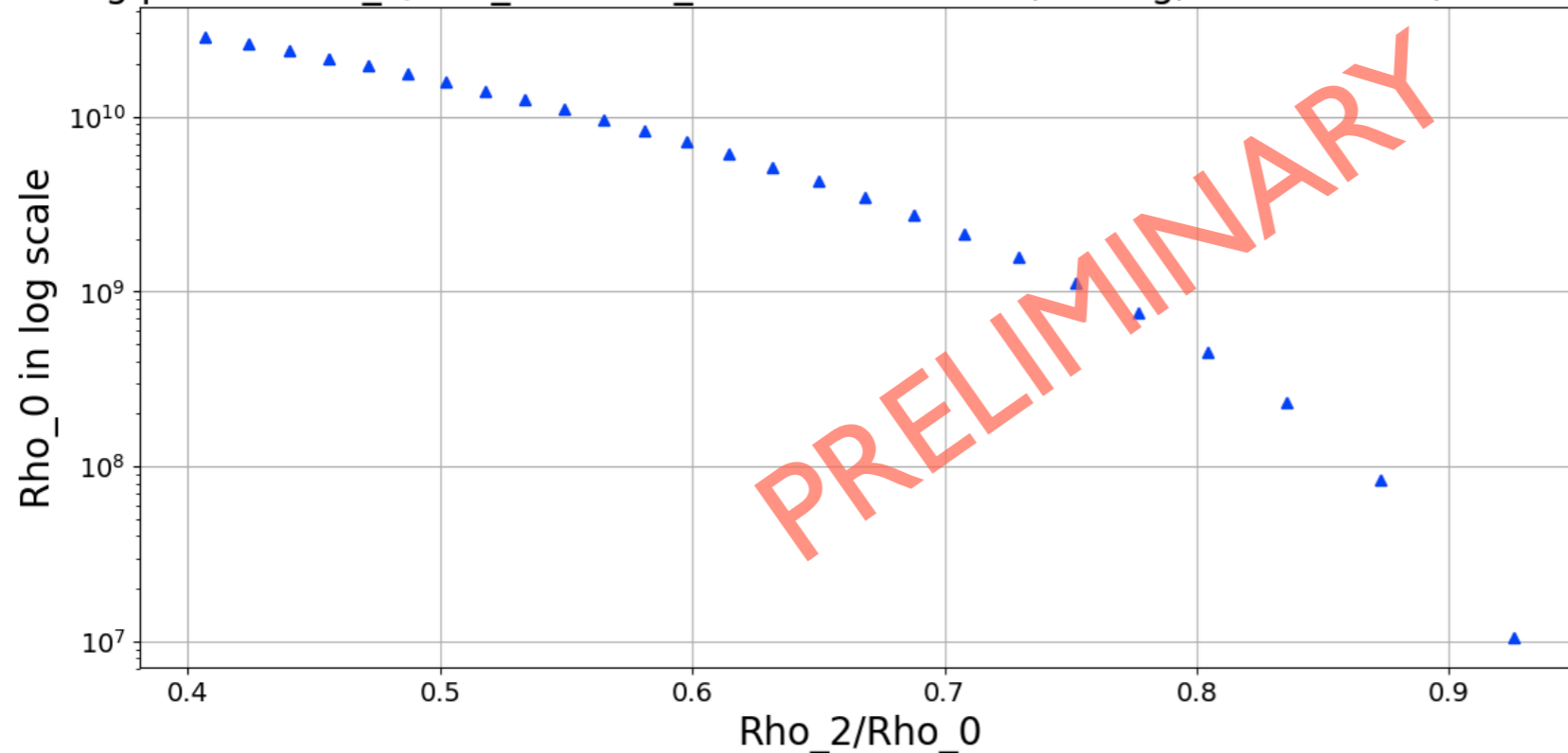
- Solve for equilibria of accreted matter on a magnetised star (work by Neha Singh, Grad Shafranov code by Dipanjan Mukherjee)
- Assume capture layers are perturbed

$$\delta T_q = -10^2 C_k^{-1} p_{30}^{-1} \Gamma \left( \frac{\delta \rho_2}{\rho_0} \right) Q_M \Delta M_{21}$$

$$\frac{\delta T_q}{\delta T} = -\Gamma \frac{\delta \rho_2}{\rho_0}$$

# ■ Extrapolate linearly to neutron drip

Log plot for Rho\_2/Rho\_0 vs Rho\_0 Plot for Model D, 90deg, B=5\*10^8G, Z= 0.25 m



$$B = 5 \times 10^8 \text{ G}$$

■ For accretion on full 70 degree cap  $\frac{\delta T_q}{\delta T_0} \approx 0.001$

■ For accretion on a 10 degree cap  $\frac{\delta T_q}{\delta T_0} \approx 0.1$

work by *Neha Singh* (University of Warsaw)



# Conclusions

- There is a 'fast' and a 'slow' population of LMXBs
- In the 'fast' population GW emission may be efficient
- PSR J1023 may be building a mountain and emitting GWs during accretion..the next transition to radio will help constrain the model
- If deformations persist at this level some of these systems may be interesting sources of GWs..especially those with long outbursts.
- Accretion geometry fundamental to determine quadrupolar deformations