

# Testing General Relativity with Future GW Observations

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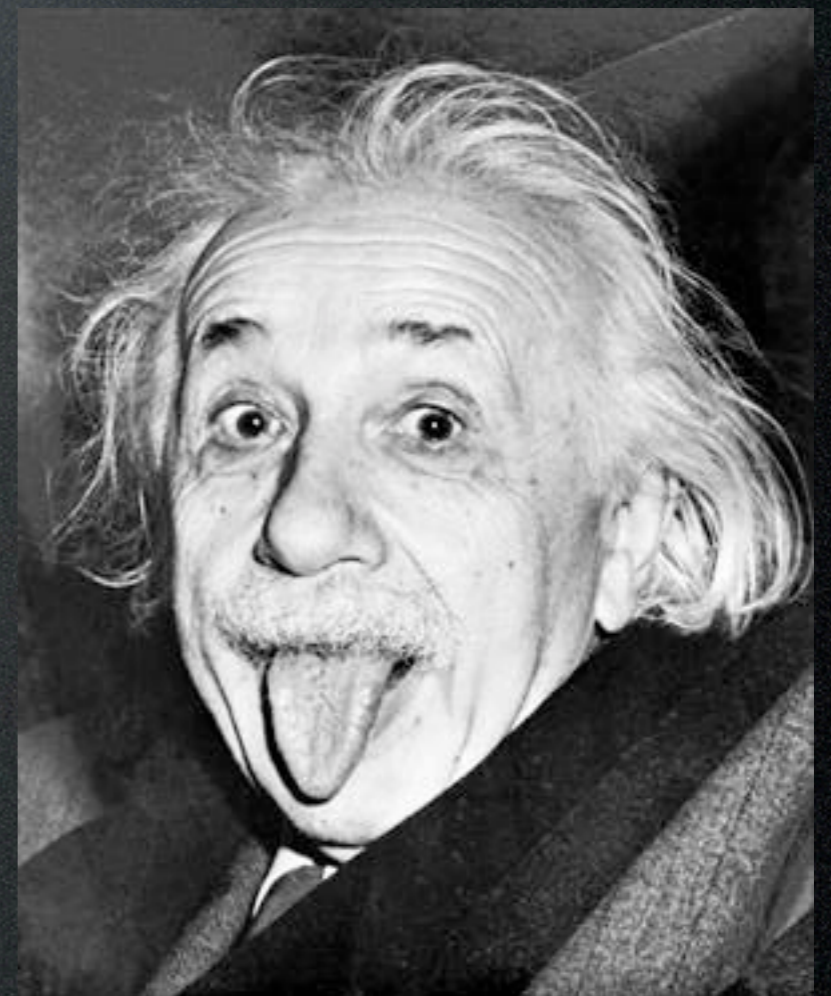
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# Testing General Relativity with Compact Binary Inspirals

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## Standing on the shoulders of...

Clifford Will, Jim Gates, Stephon Alexander, Abhay Ashtekar, Sam Finn, Ben Owen, Pablo Laguna, Emanuele Berti, Uli Sperhake, Dimitrios Psaltis, Avi Loeb, Vitor Cardoso, Leonardo Gualtieri, Daniel Grumiller, David Spergel, **Frans Pretorius, Neil Cornish**, Scott Hughes, Carlos Sopuerta, Takahiro Tanaka, Jon Gair,

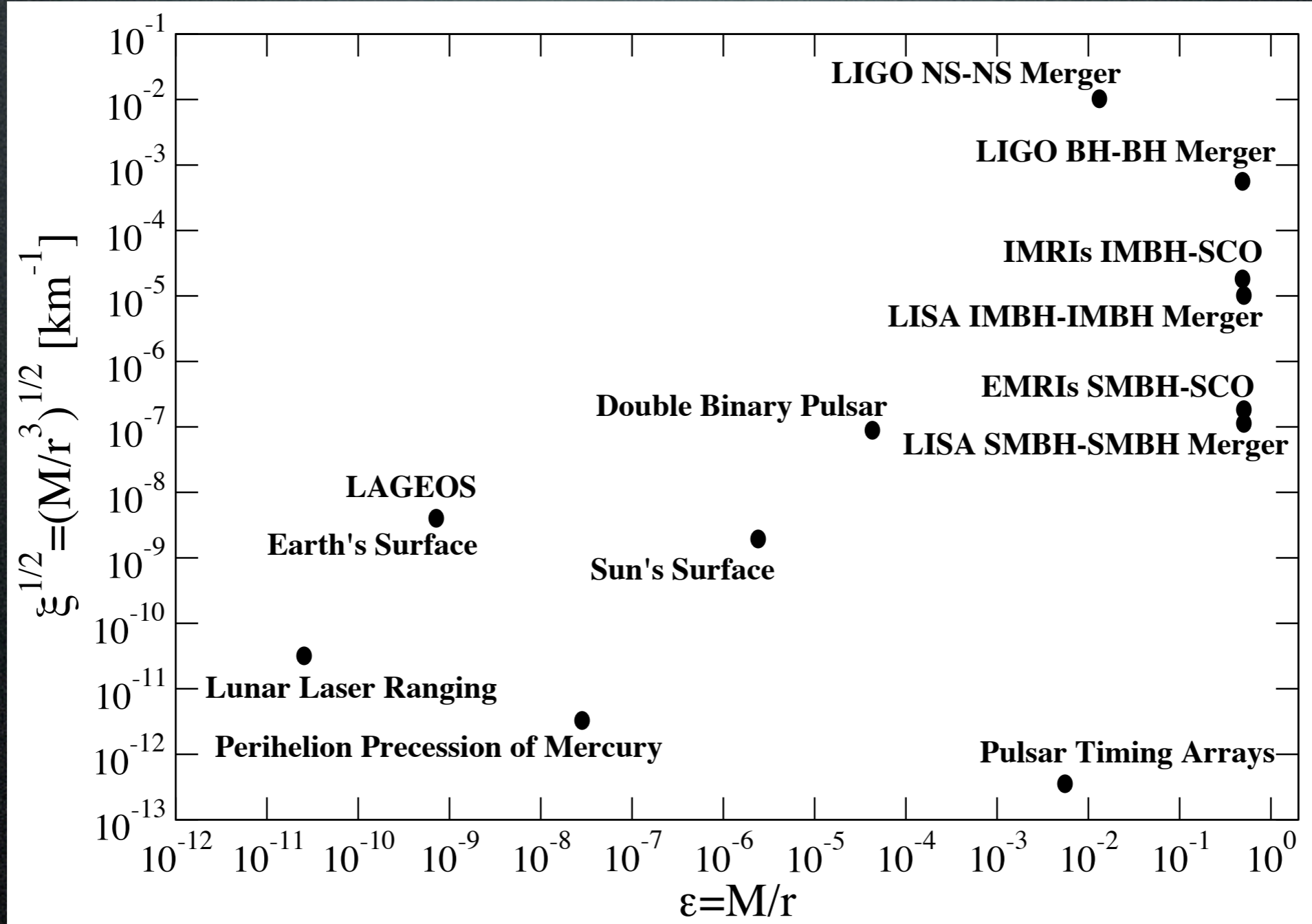
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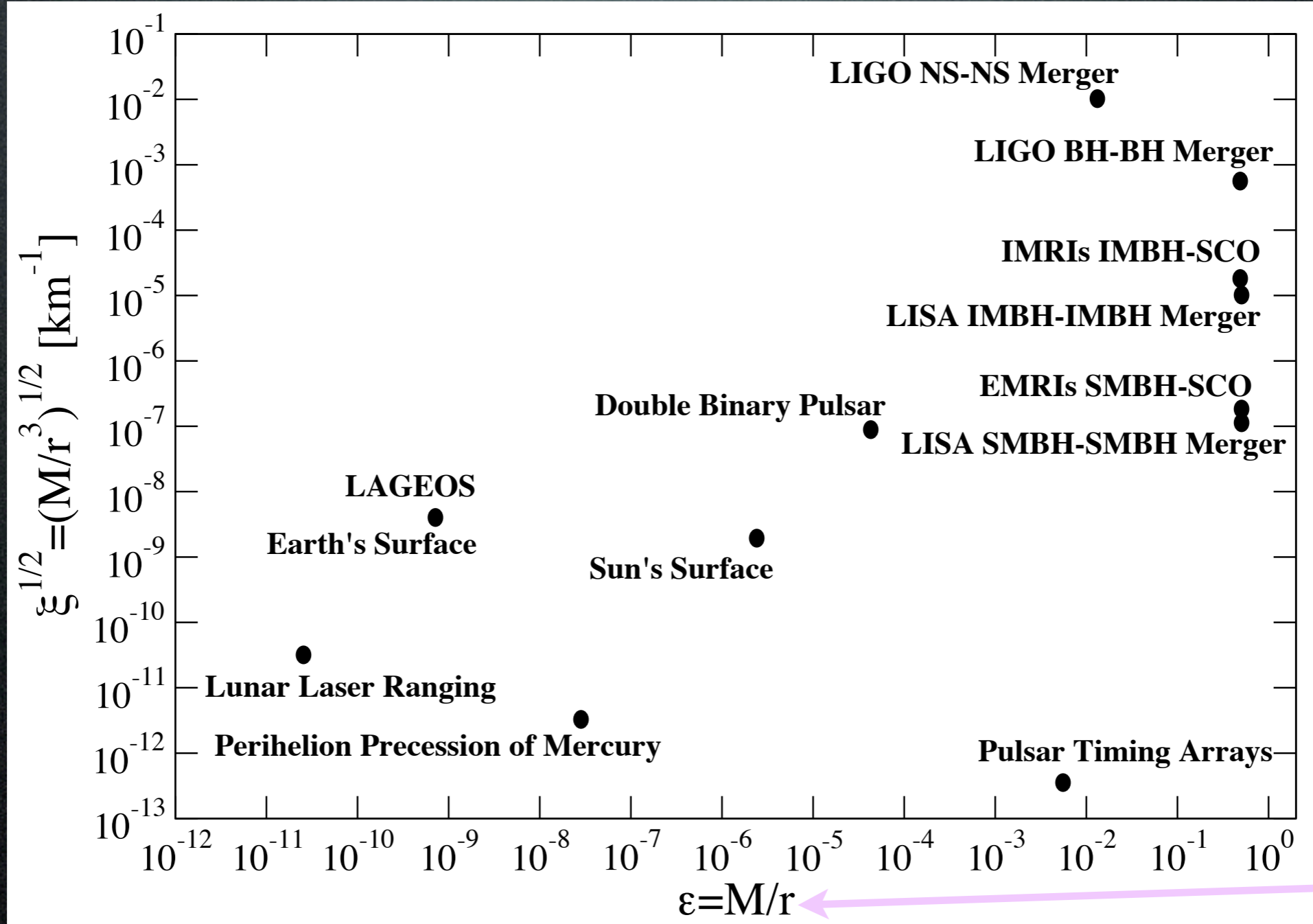
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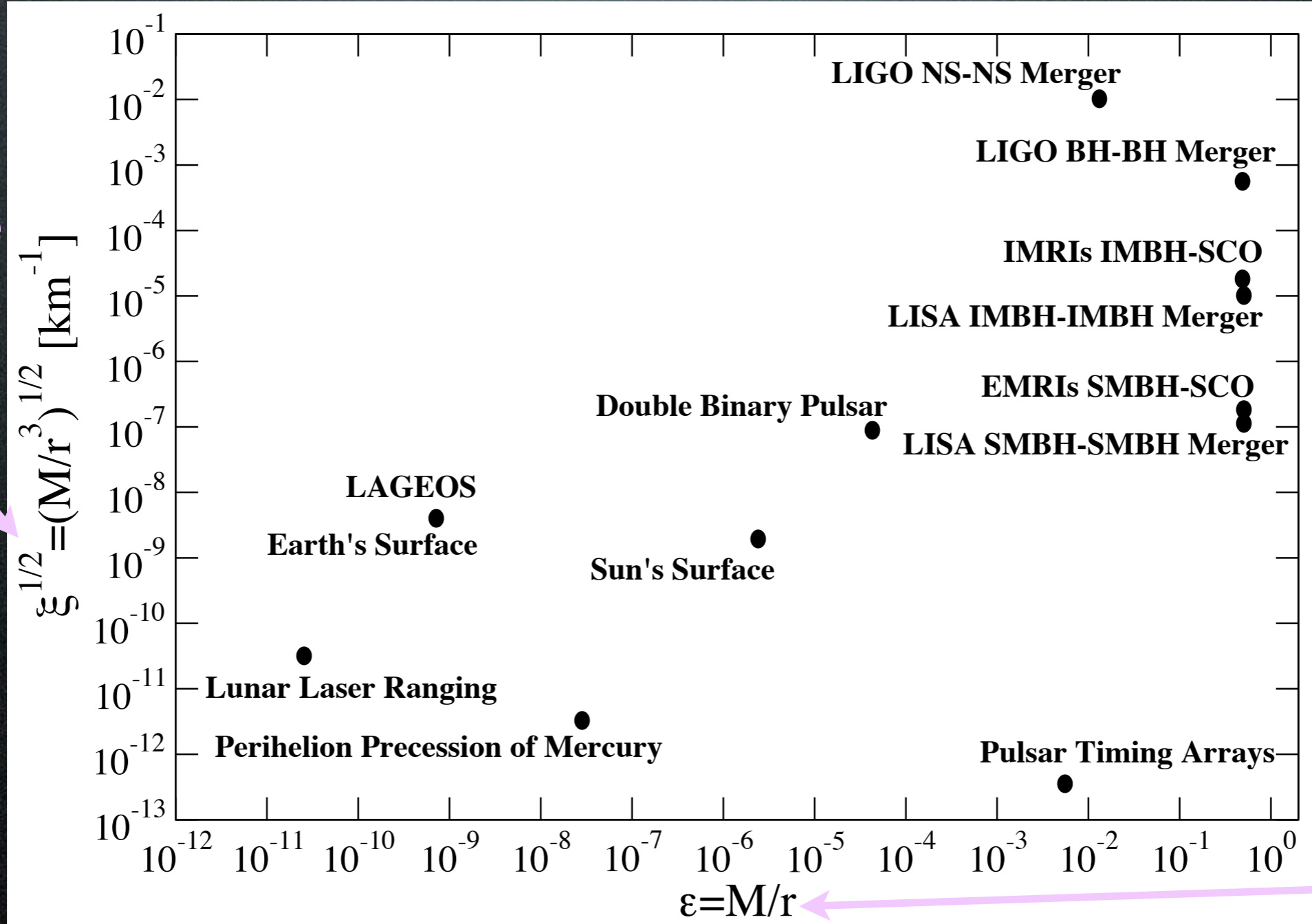
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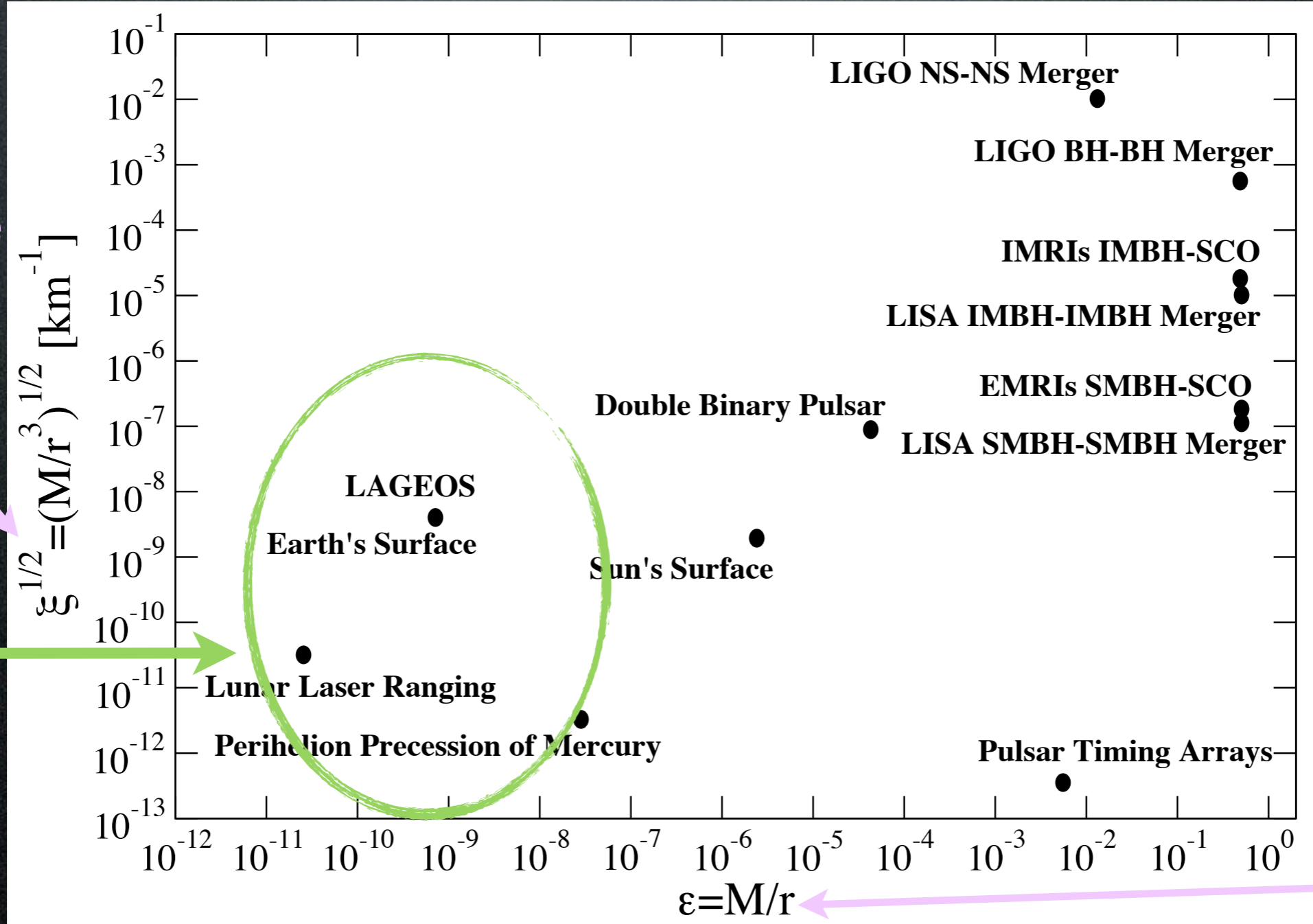


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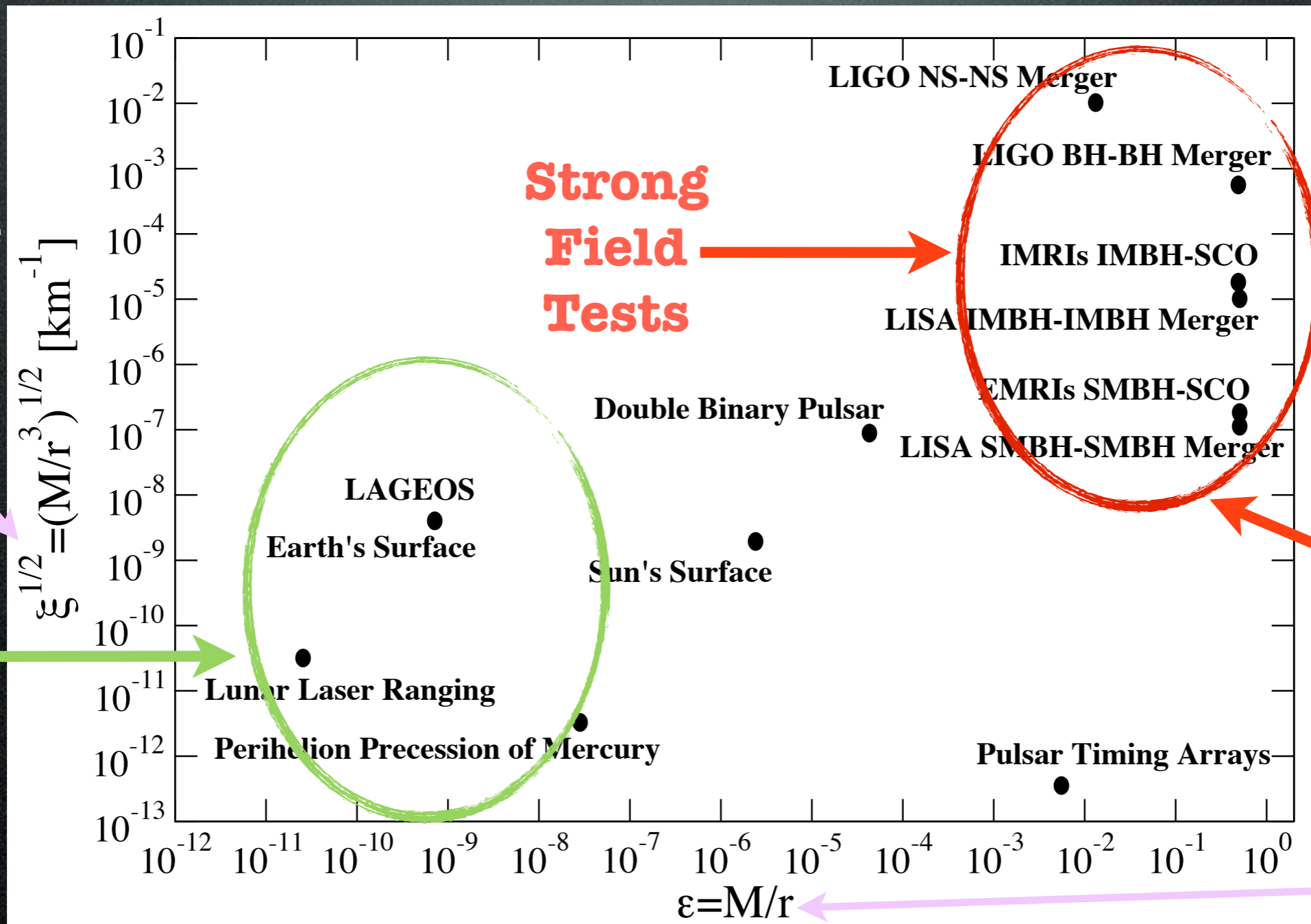


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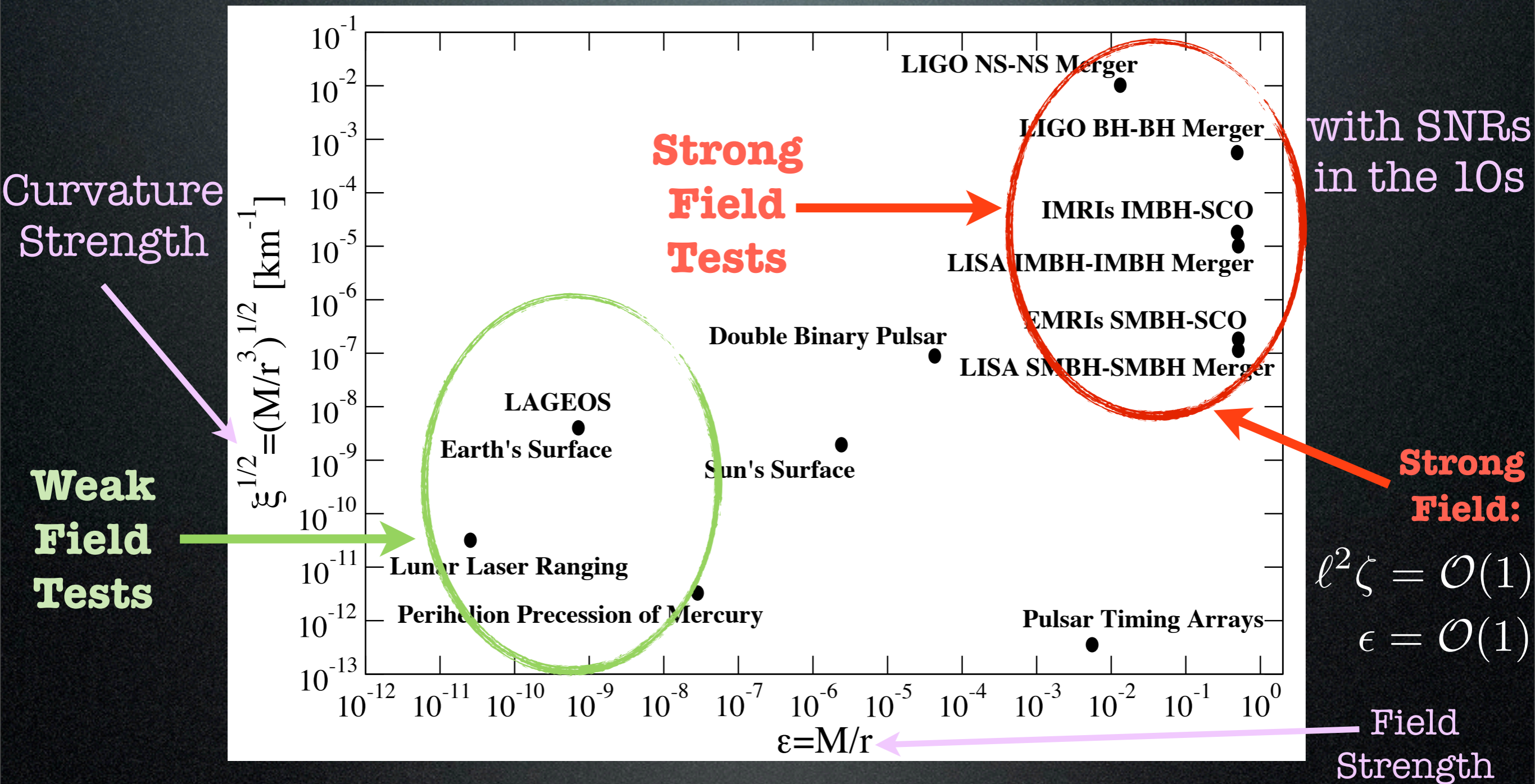
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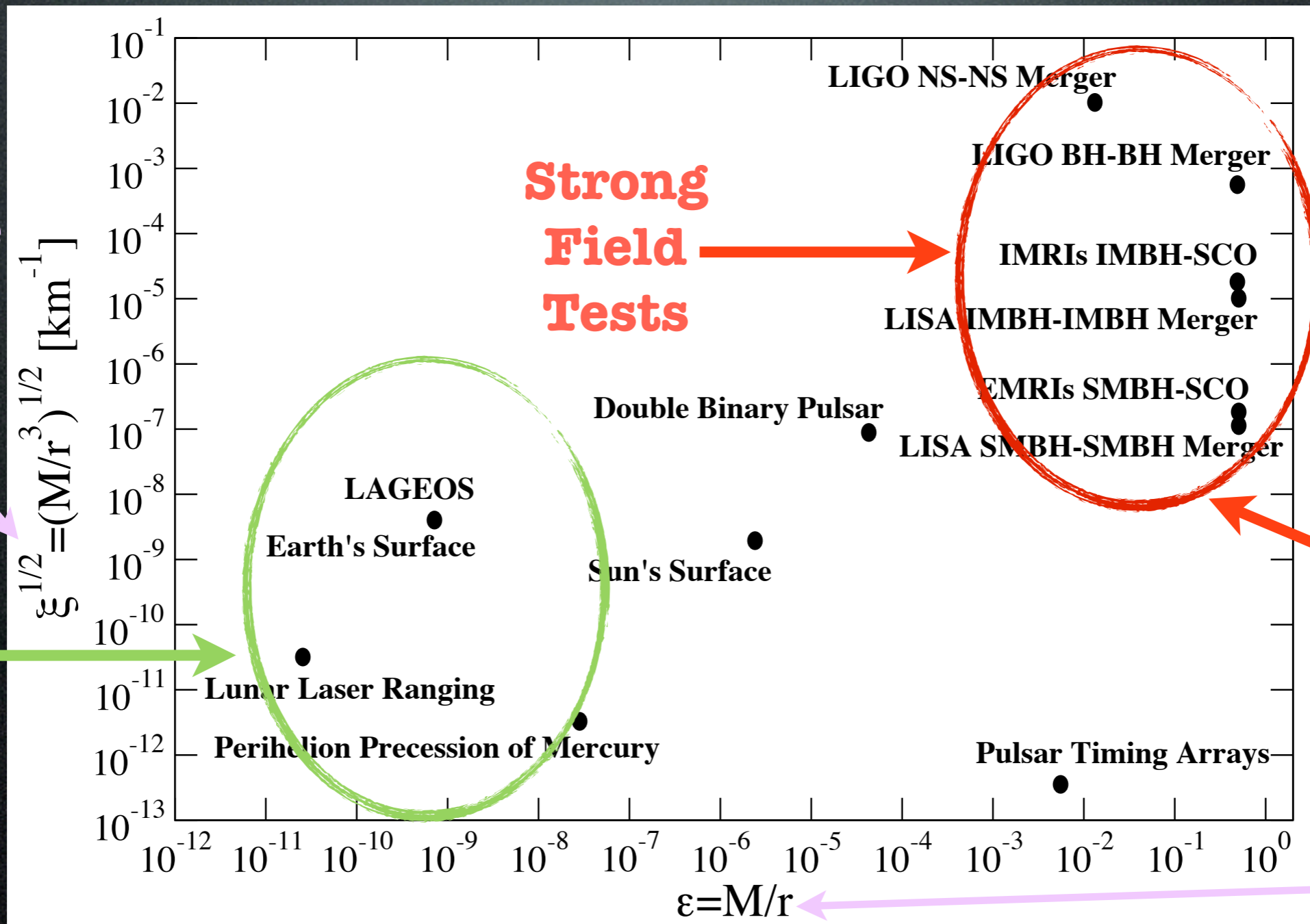
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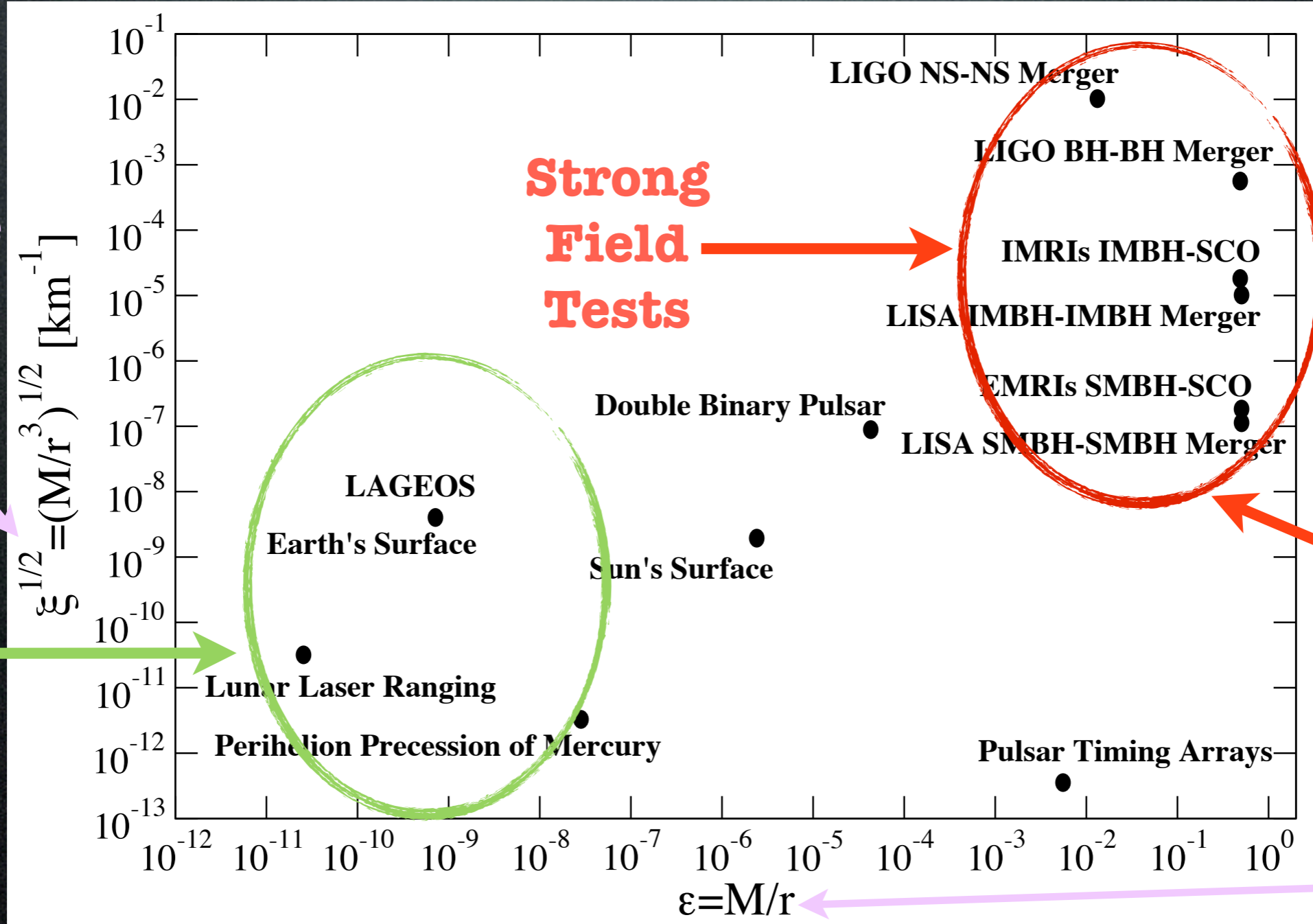
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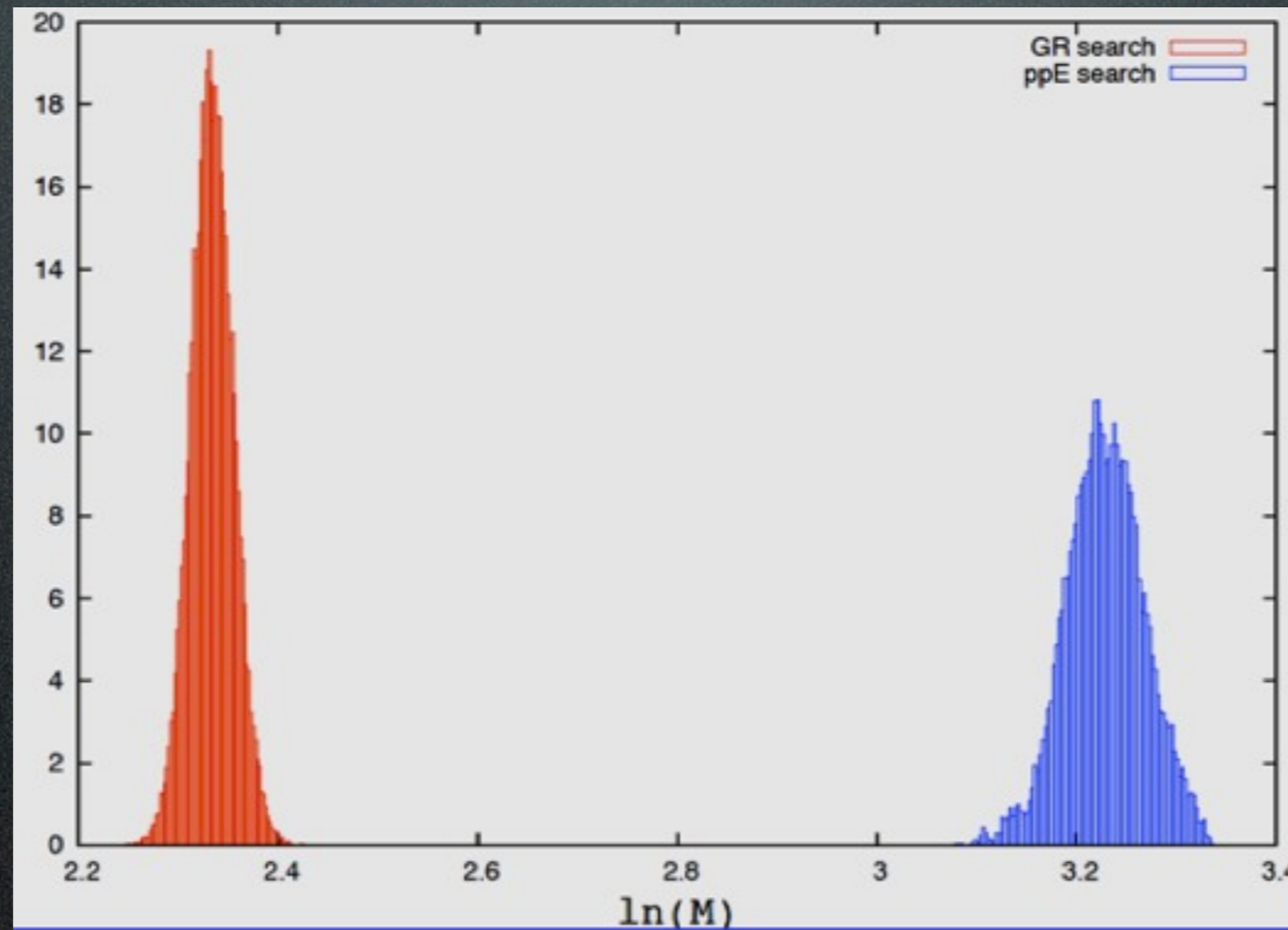
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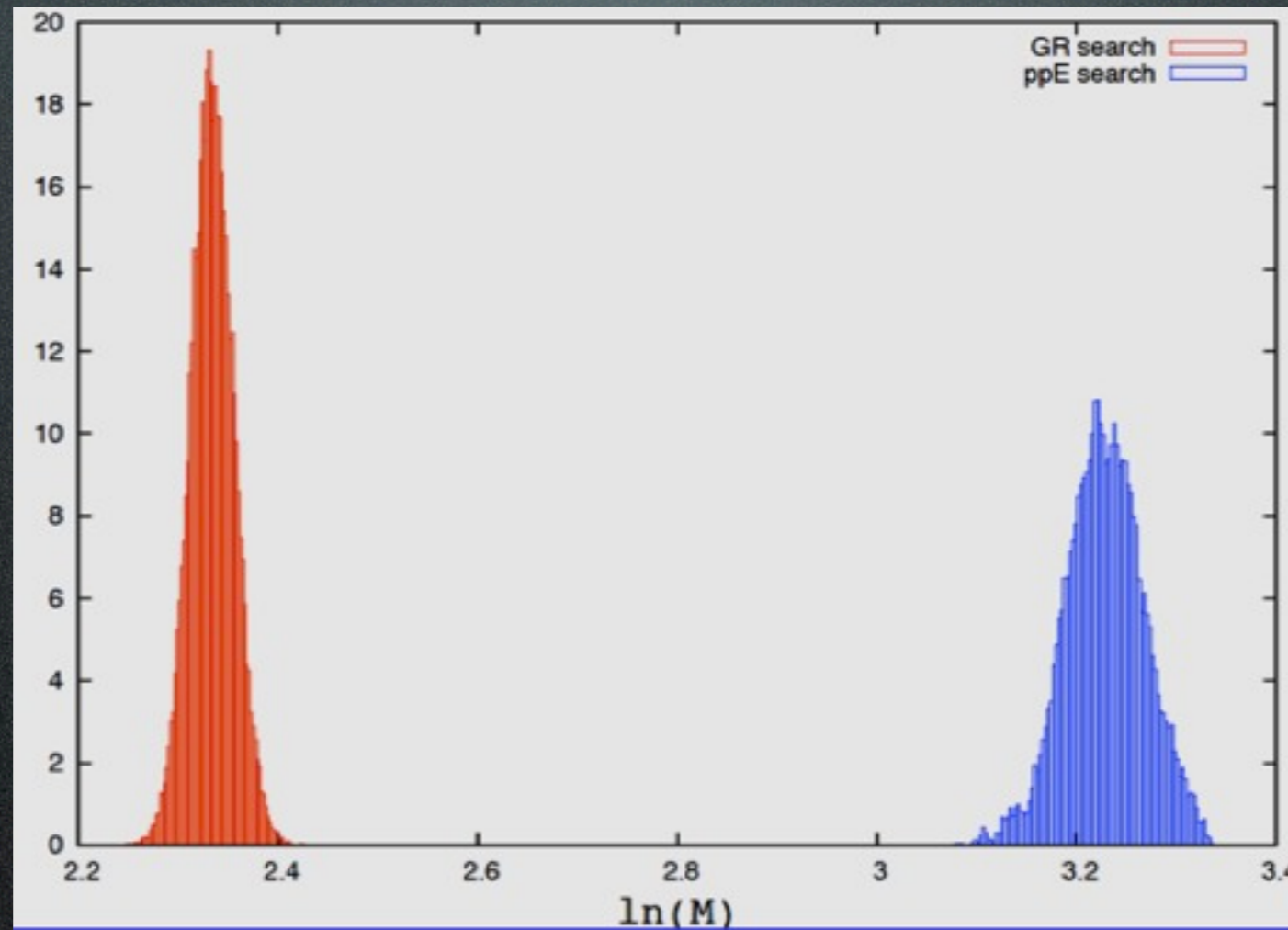
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Modified theories can:

- i) Change GW amplitude  $\rightarrow$  error in GW DL and inc. angle.
- ii) Change GW phase  $\rightarrow$  error in GW Mchirp, mass ratio, EOS.
- iii) Change ISCO  $\rightarrow$  error in EM spin measurement.

# Road Map

I. ppE Theory

II. ppE Implementation

## What I will leave out

- > Data analysis [Veitch].
- > Detailed waveform modeling within GR [Pan]
- > Non-Integrable orbits, Chaos, Poincare Islands
- > Cosmology.
- > Quasi-normal ringdown and merger tests.

I.

ppE Theory



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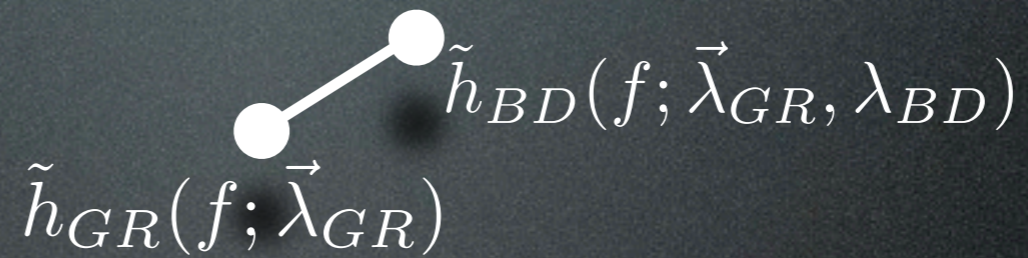
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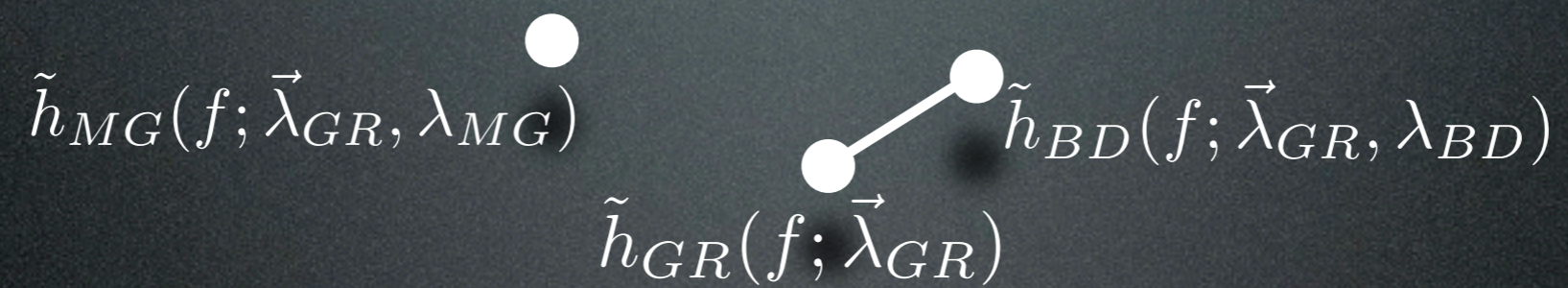
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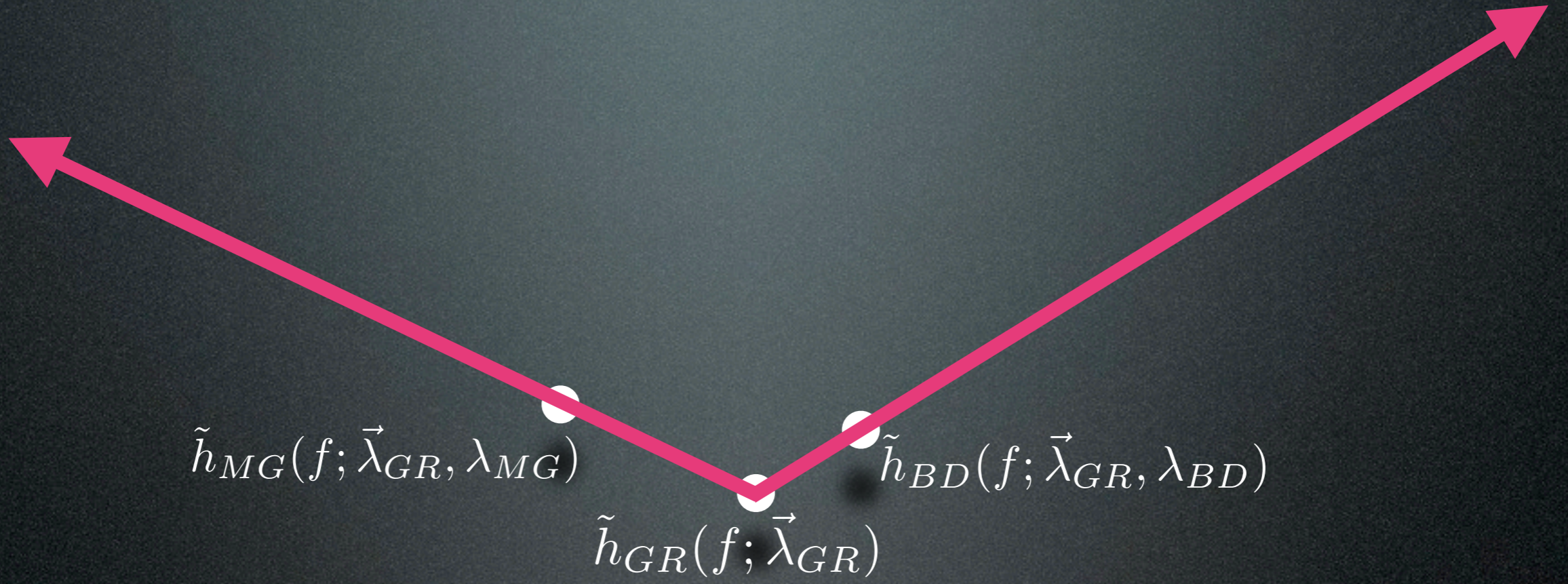
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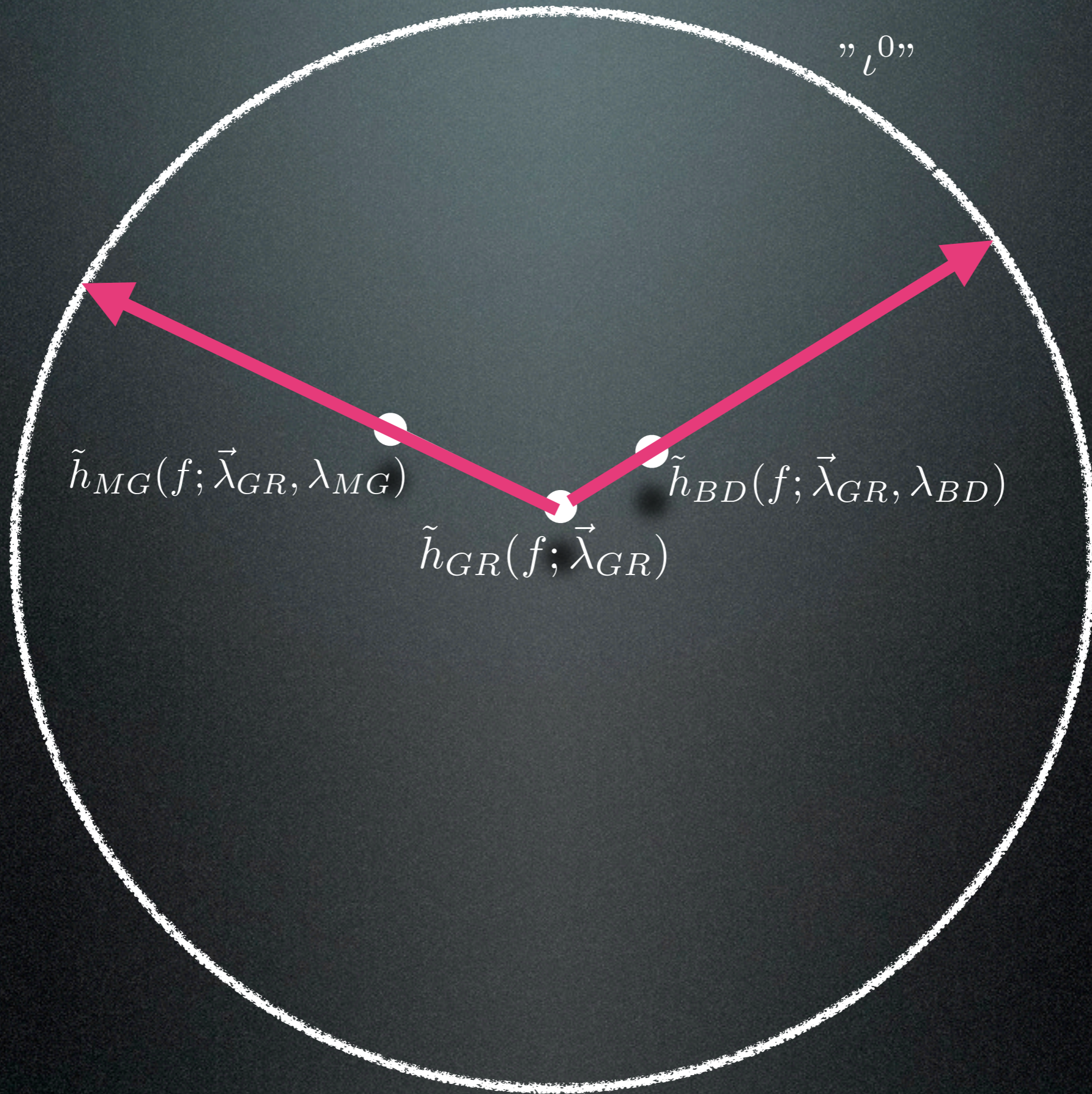
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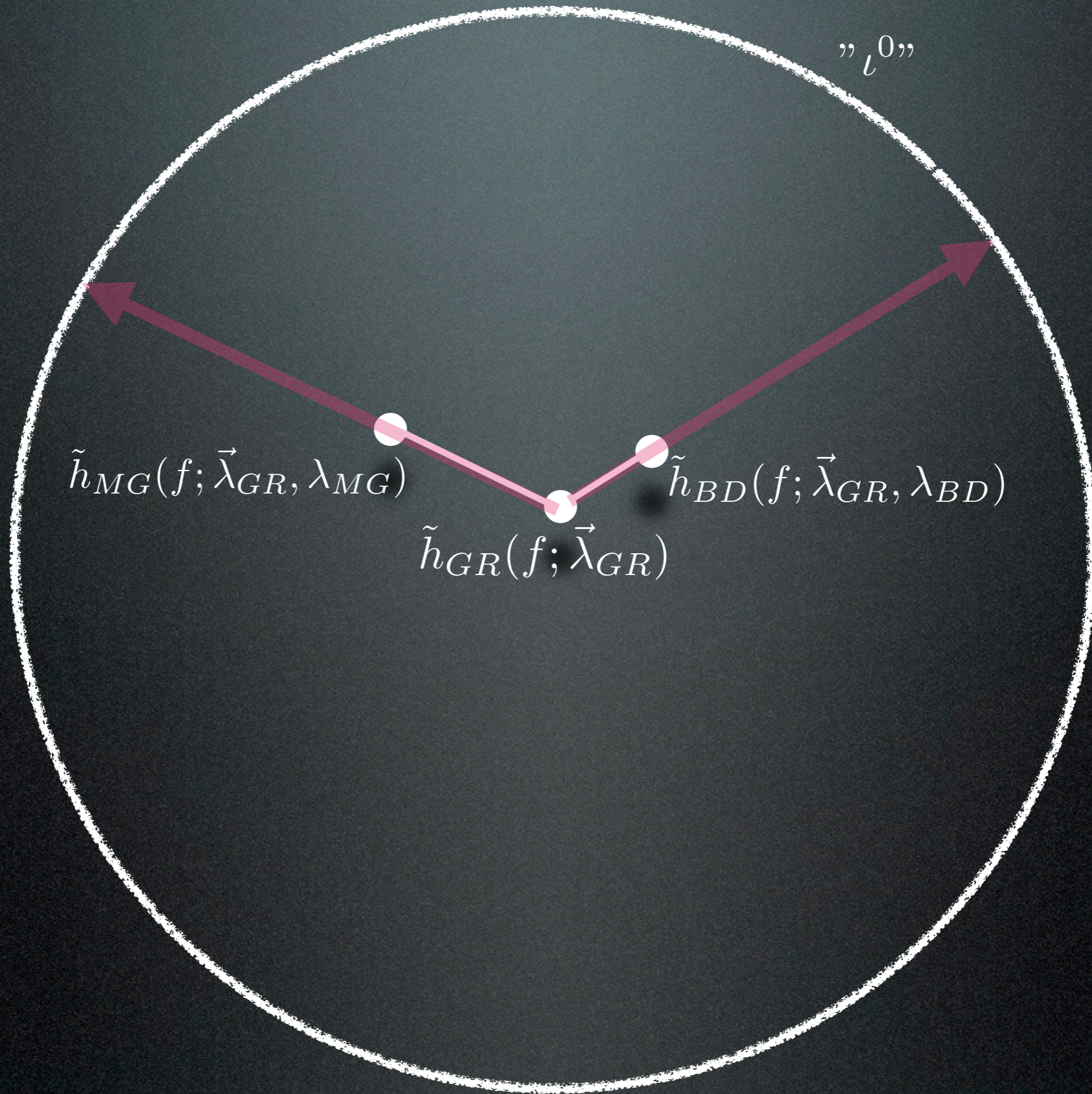
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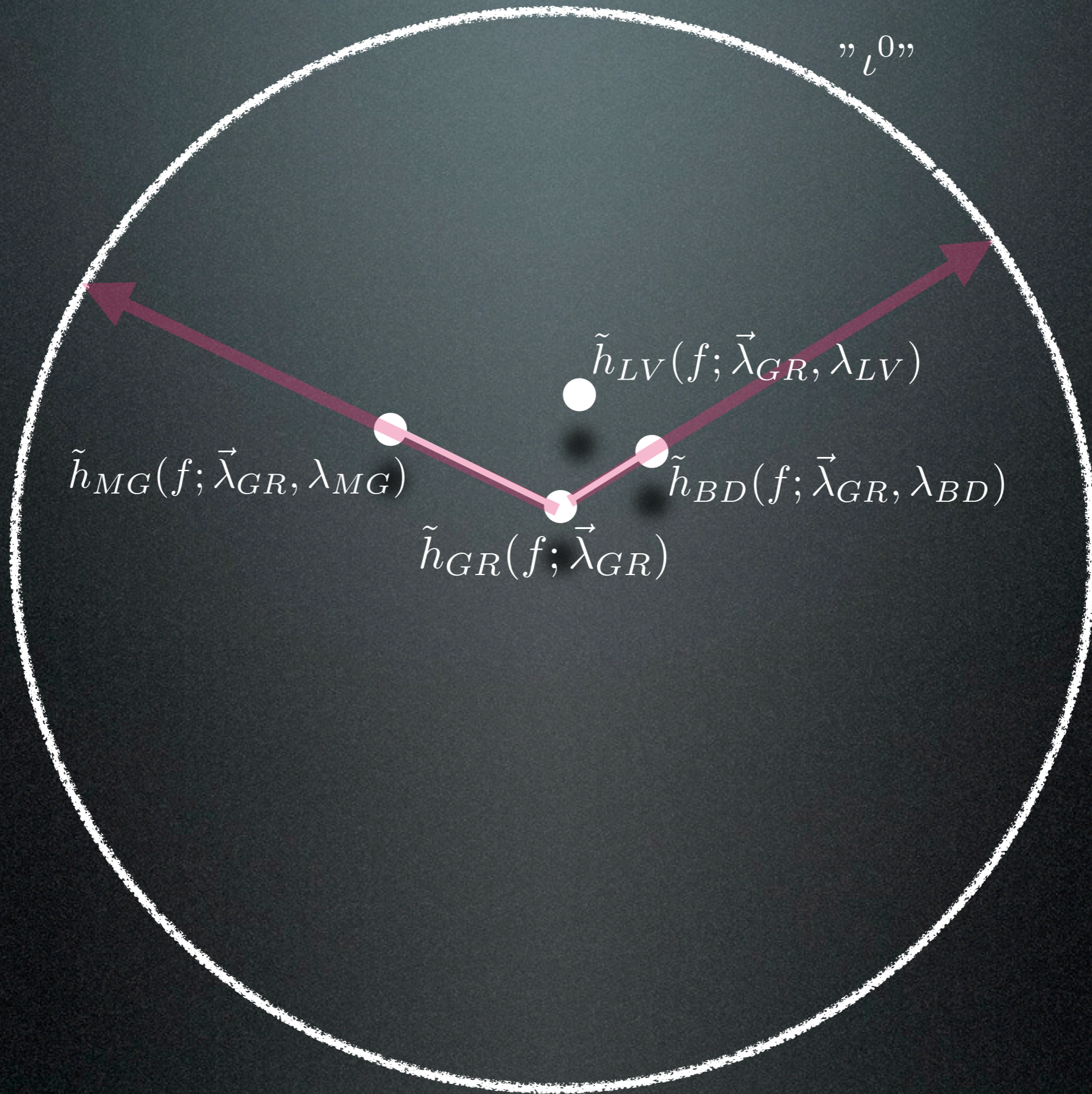
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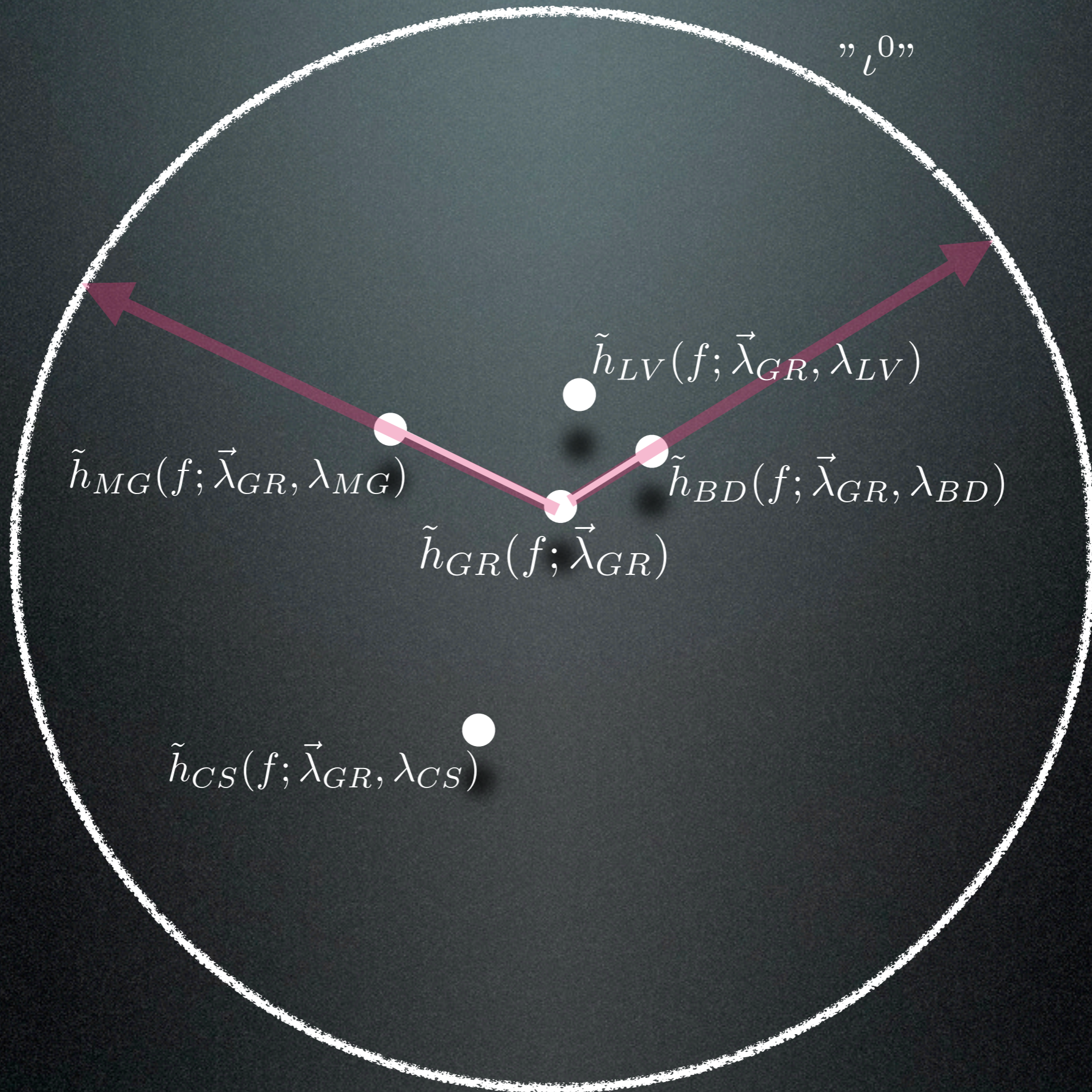
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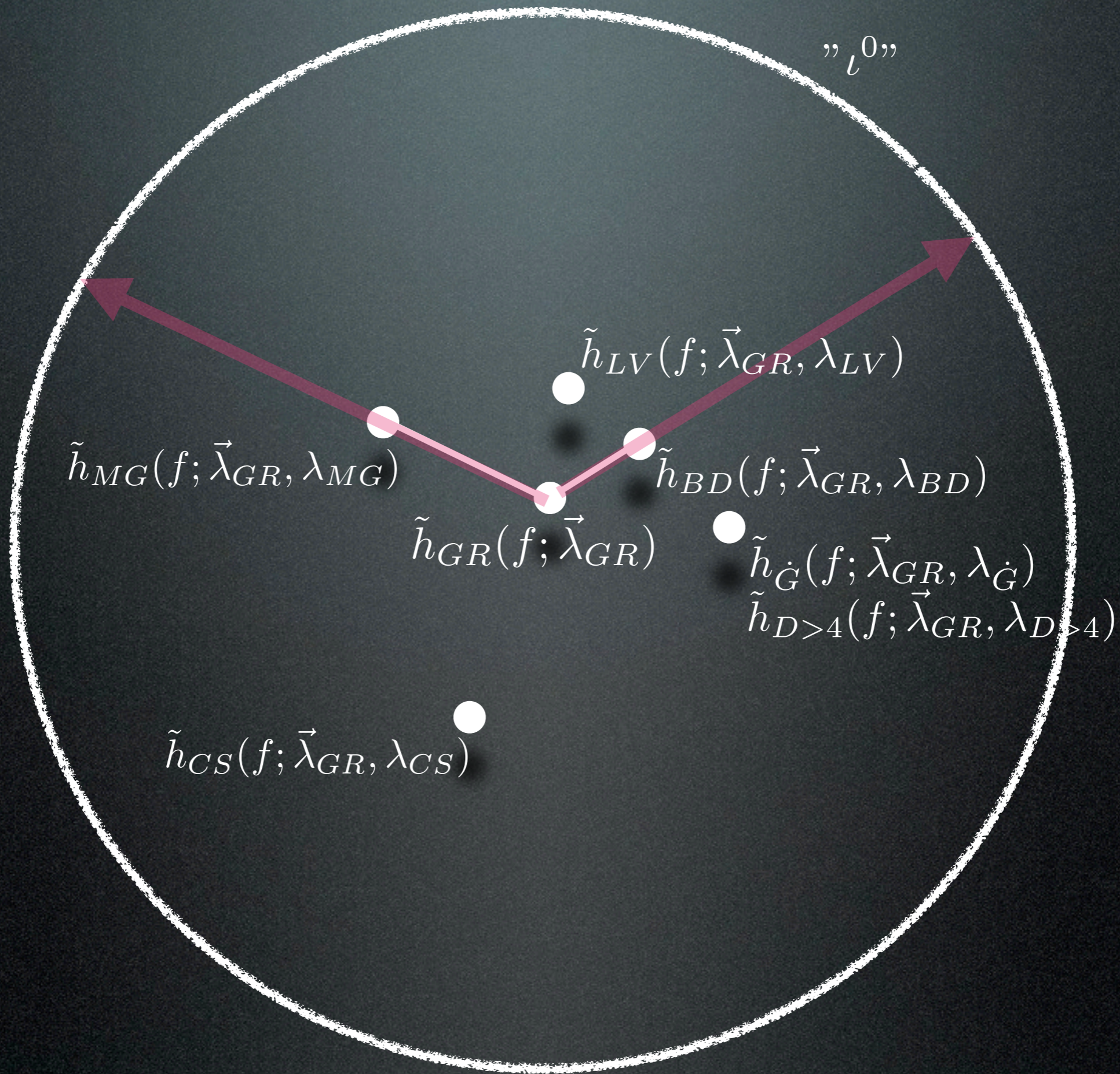
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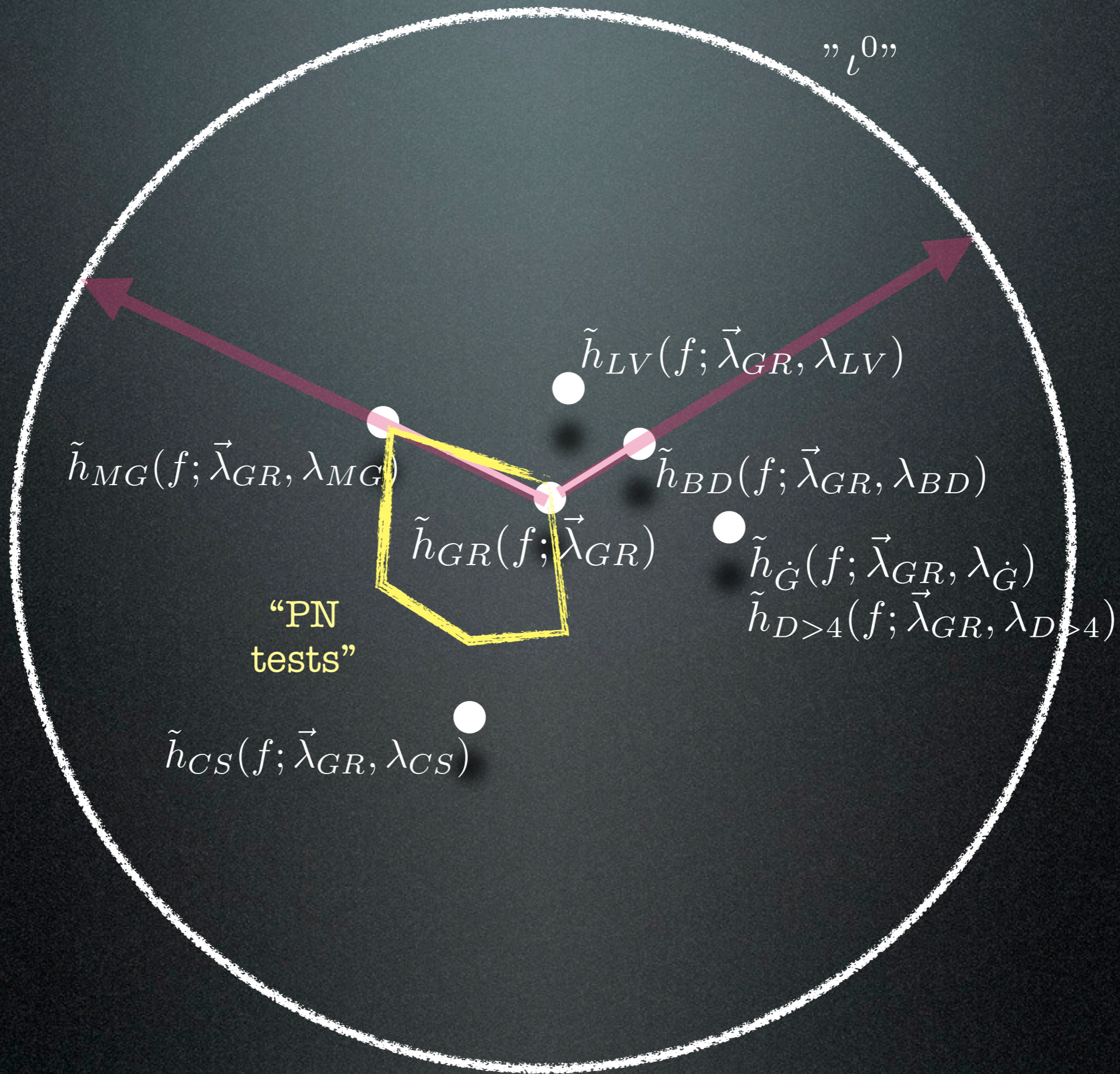


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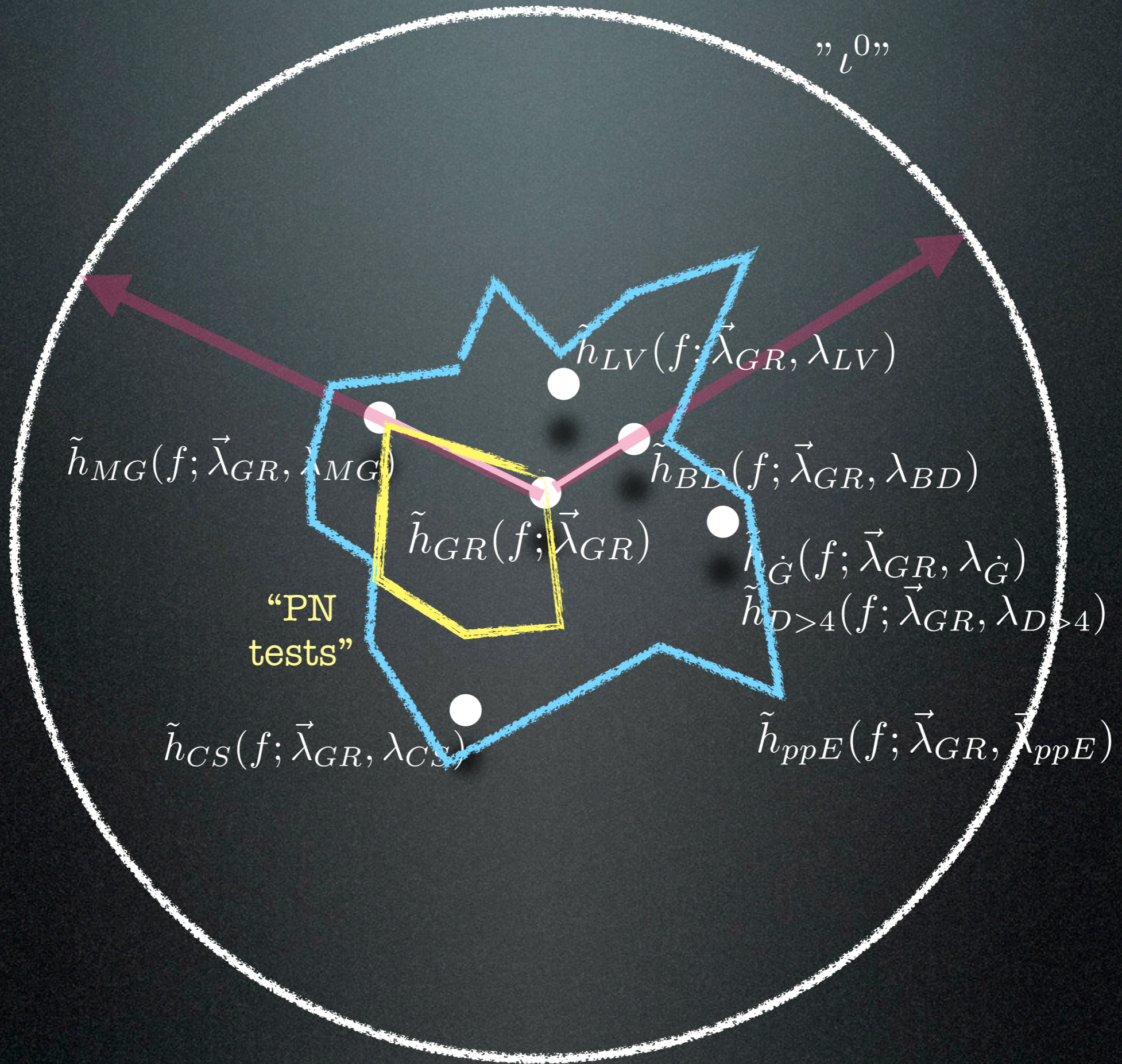




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# ppE Recovery of Theories

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| Theory   | $\alpha_{\text{ppE}}$                                     | $a_{\text{ppE}}$ | $\beta_{\text{ppE}}$   | $b_{\text{ppE}}$           |
|--|---|------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Jordan-Brans-Dicke-Fierz                           | $-\frac{5}{96} \frac{S^2}{\omega_{\text{BD}}} \eta^{2/5}$ | -2               | $-\frac{5}{3584} \frac{S^2}{\omega_{\text{BD}}} \eta^{2/5}$  | -7                         |
| Conservative Einstein-Dilaton-Gauss-Bonnet gravity | $\frac{5}{6} \eta^{-4/5} \zeta_3$                         | 4                | $\frac{25}{64} \eta^{-4/5} \zeta_{\text{EDGB}}$  | -1                         |
| Dissipative Einstein-Dilaton-Gauss-Bonnet gravity  | 0   | .                | $-\frac{5}{7168} \zeta_3 \eta^{-18/5} \frac{(m_1 - m_2)^2}{m^2}$   | -7                         |
| Massive Graviton                                   | 0   | .                | $-\frac{\pi^2 D \mathcal{M}}{\lambda_g^2 (1+z)}$   | -3                         |
| Lorentz Violation                                  | 0   | .                | $-\frac{\pi^{2-\gamma}}{(1-\gamma)} \frac{D_\gamma}{\lambda_{\text{LV}}^{2-\gamma}} \frac{\mathcal{M}^{1-\gamma}}{(1+z)^{1-\gamma}}$ | $-3\alpha_{\text{LV}} - 3$ |
| $G(t)$ Theory                                      | $-\frac{5}{512} \dot{G} \mathcal{M}$                      | -8               | $-\frac{25}{65536} \dot{G}_c \mathcal{M}$  | -13                        |
| Extra Dimensions                                   | .   | .                | $-\frac{75}{2554344} \frac{d\mathcal{M}}{dt} \eta^{-4} (3 - 26\eta + 24\eta^2)$  | -13                        |
| Non-Dynamical Chern-Simons Gravity                 | $\alpha_{\text{PV}}$                                      | 3                | $\beta_{\text{PV}}$  | 6                          |

Siemens & Yunes, LRR '13

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ppE Implementation

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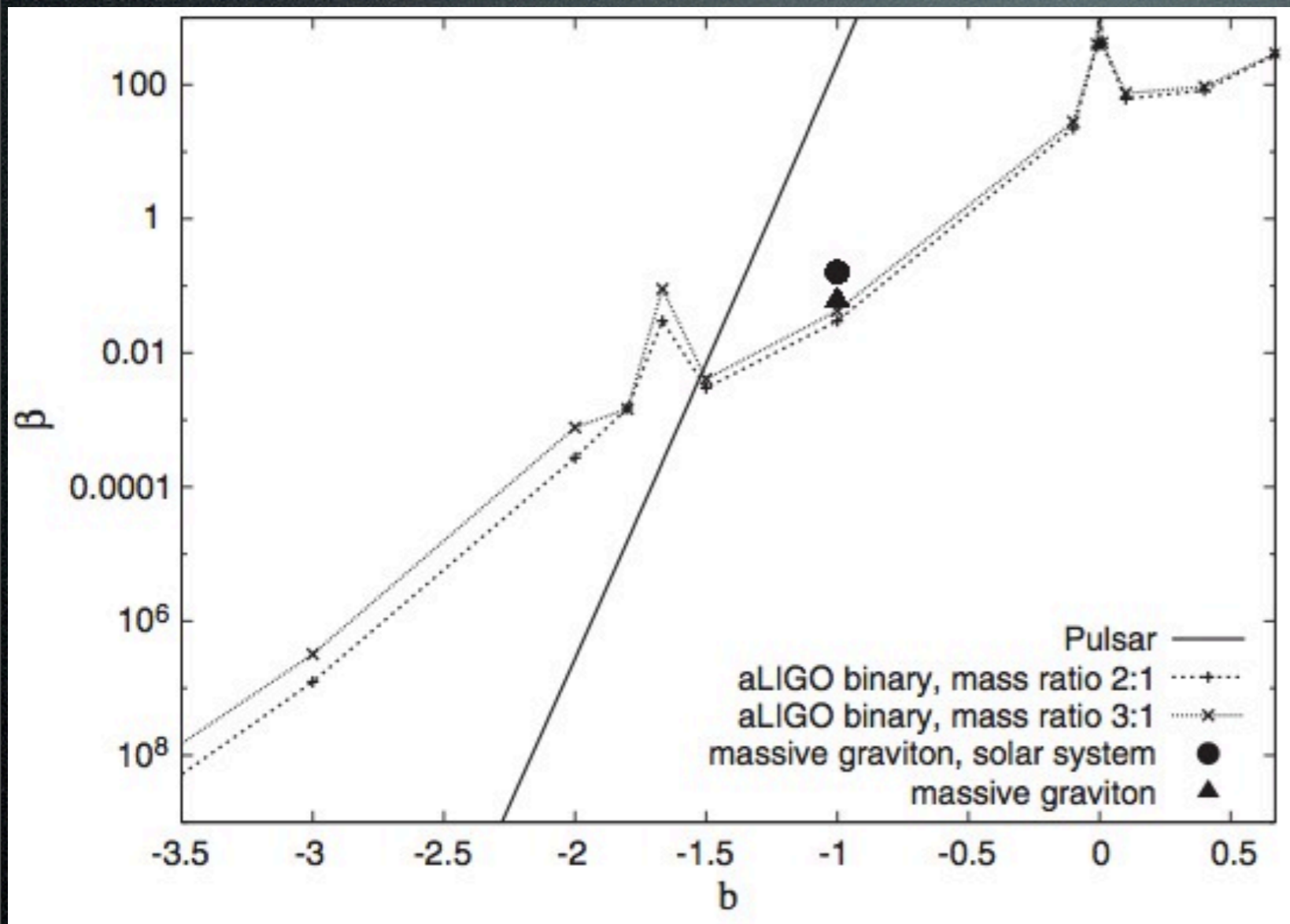
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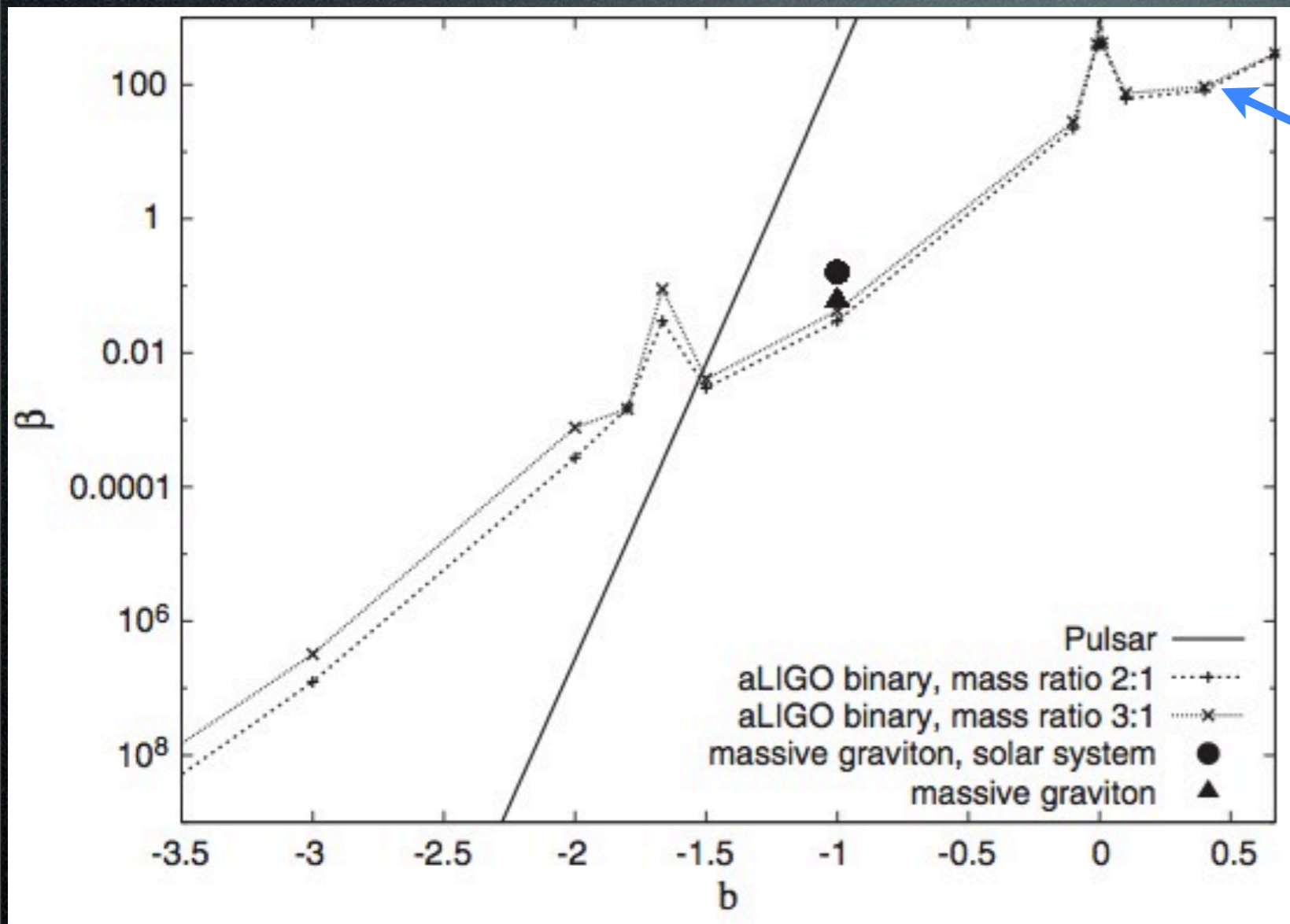


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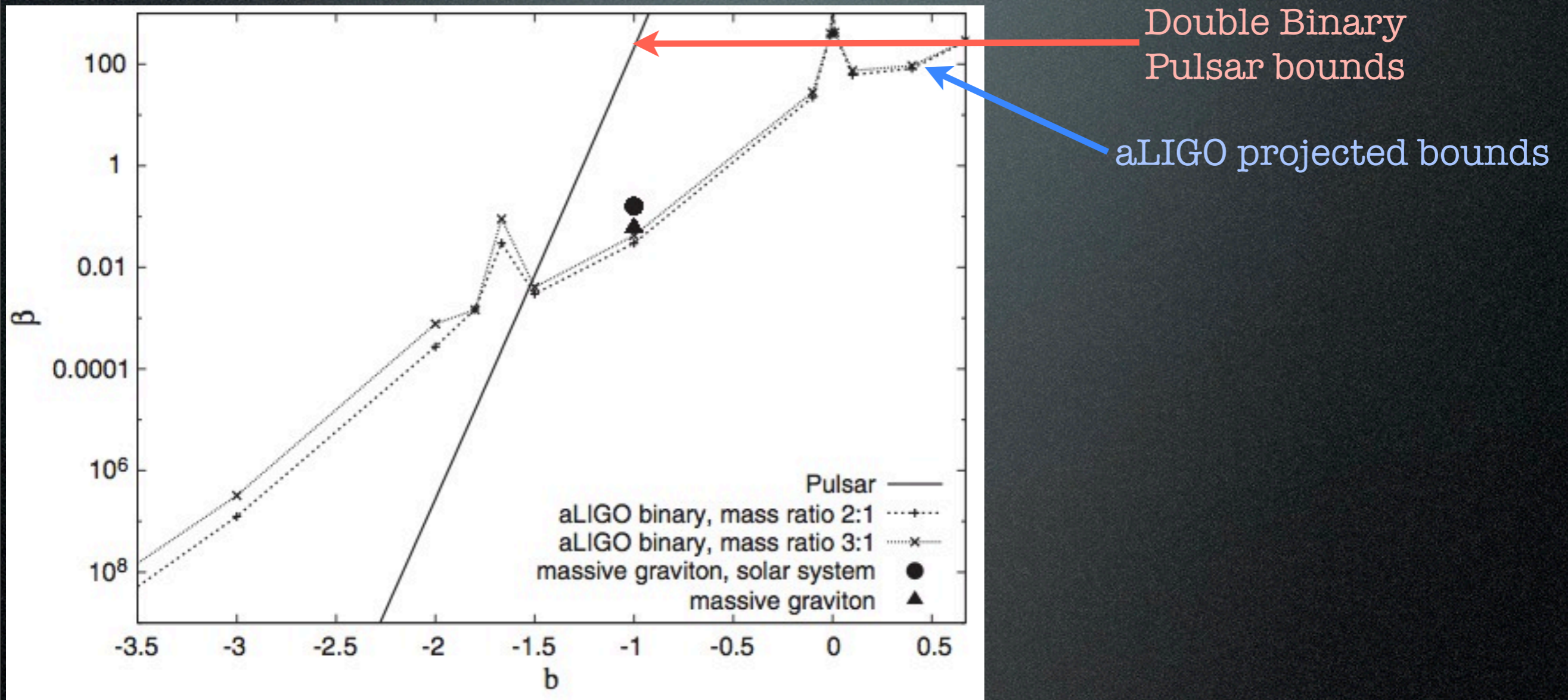
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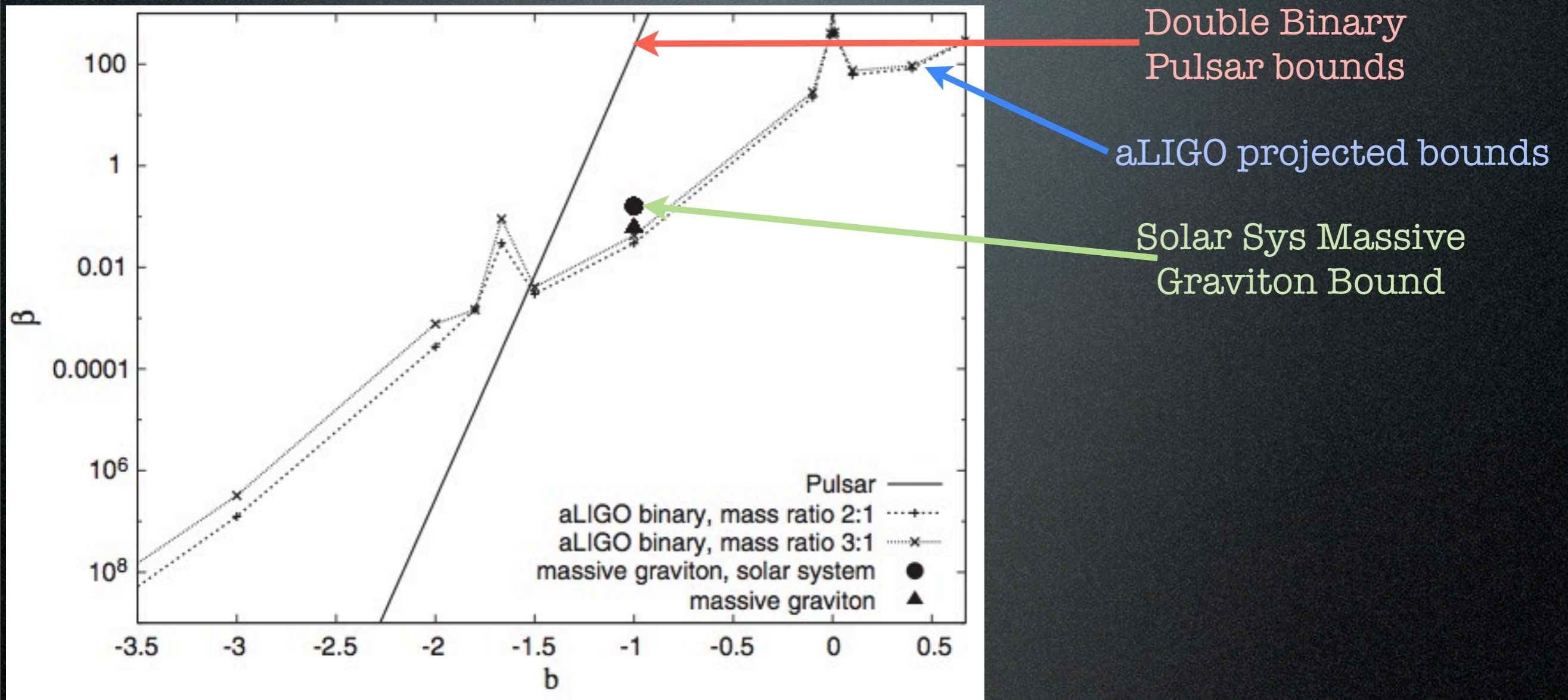


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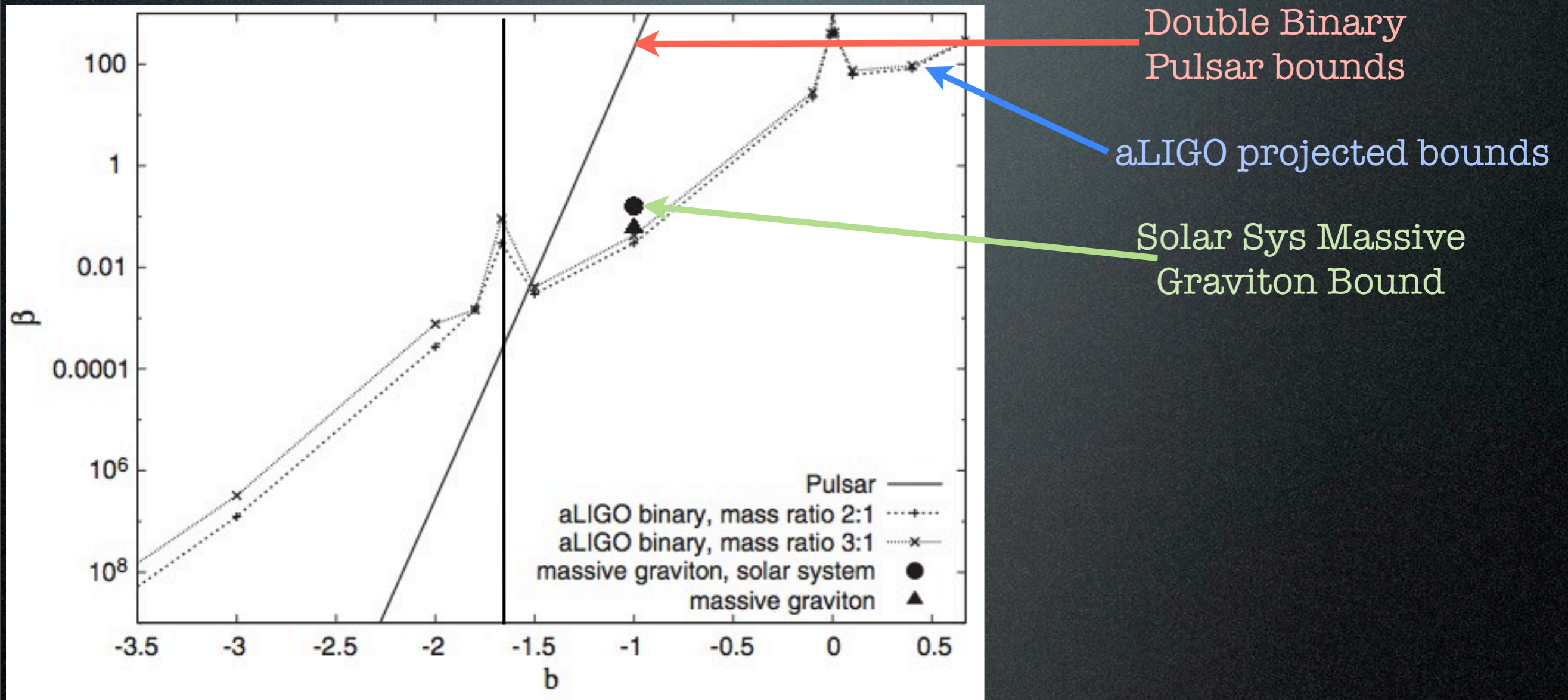
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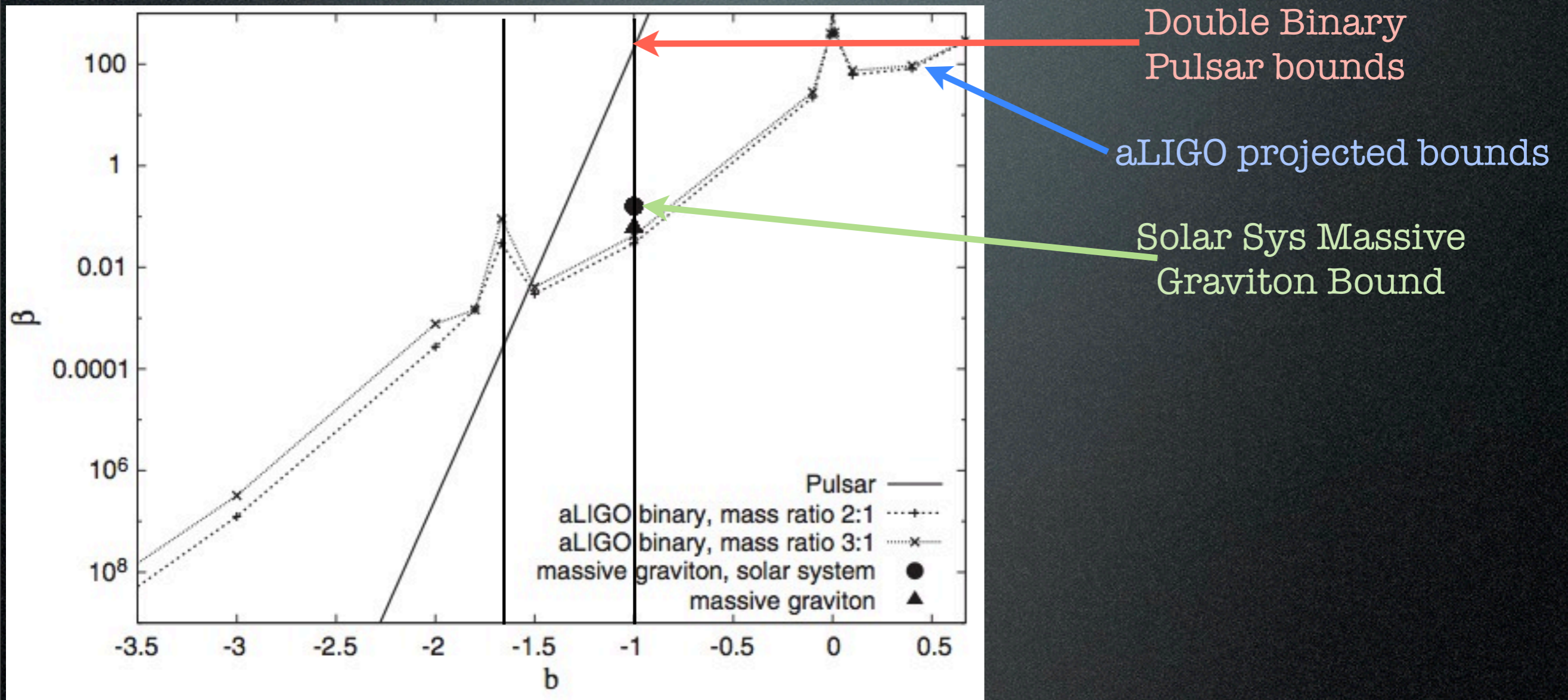
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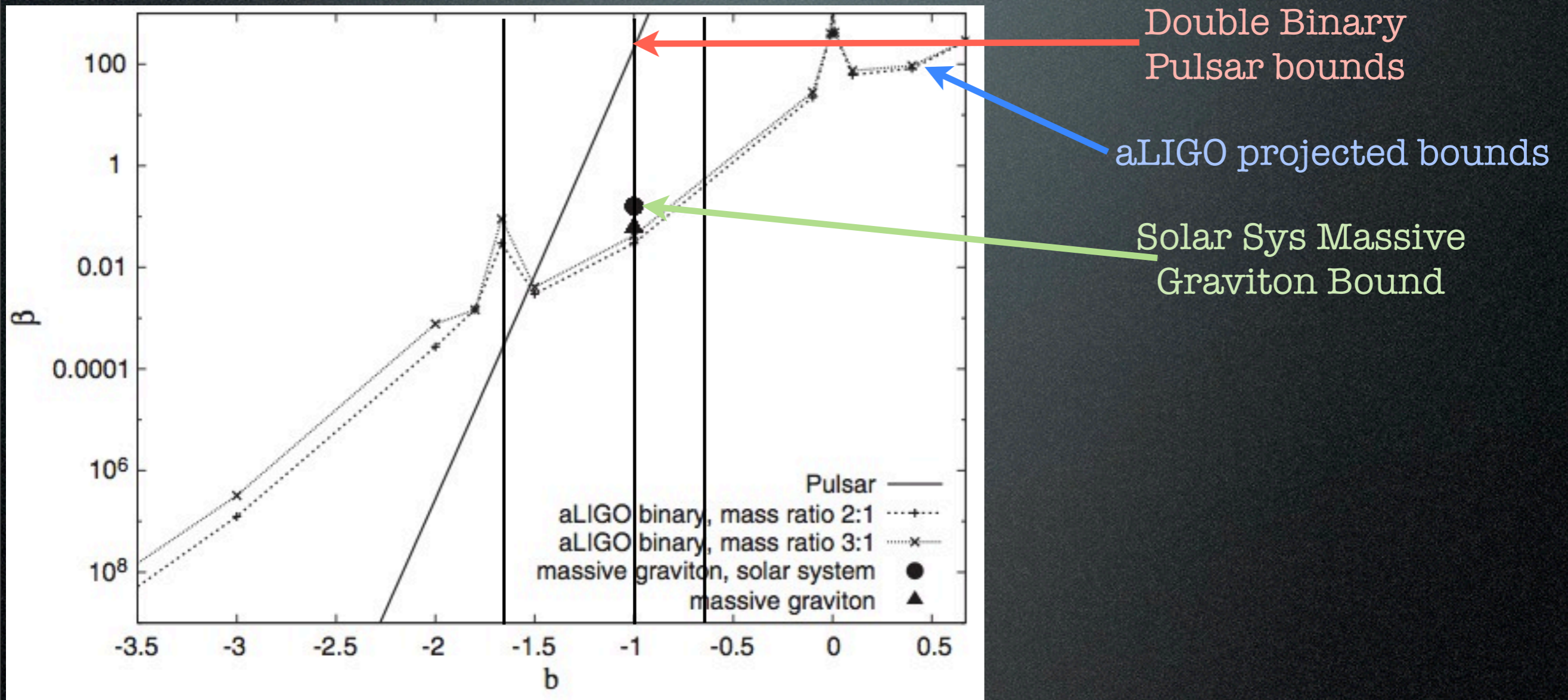
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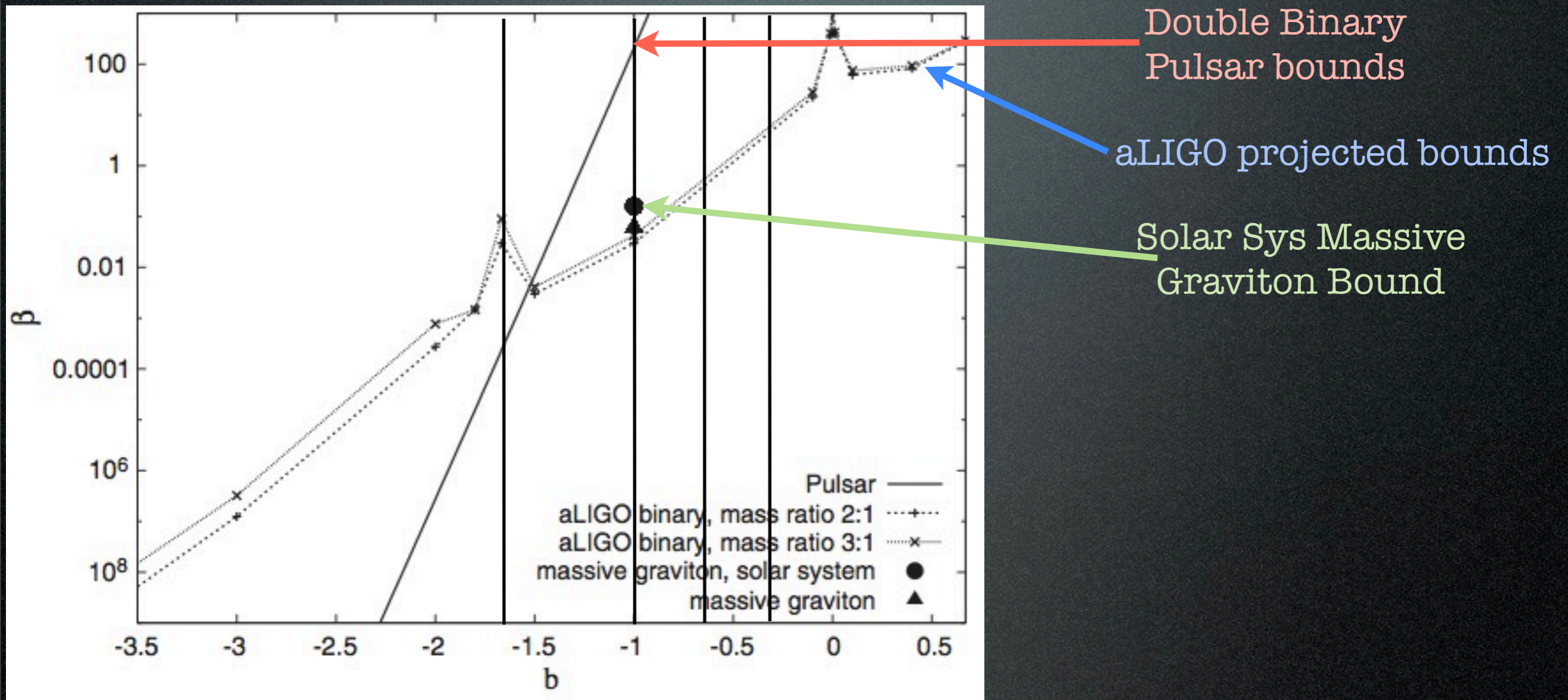
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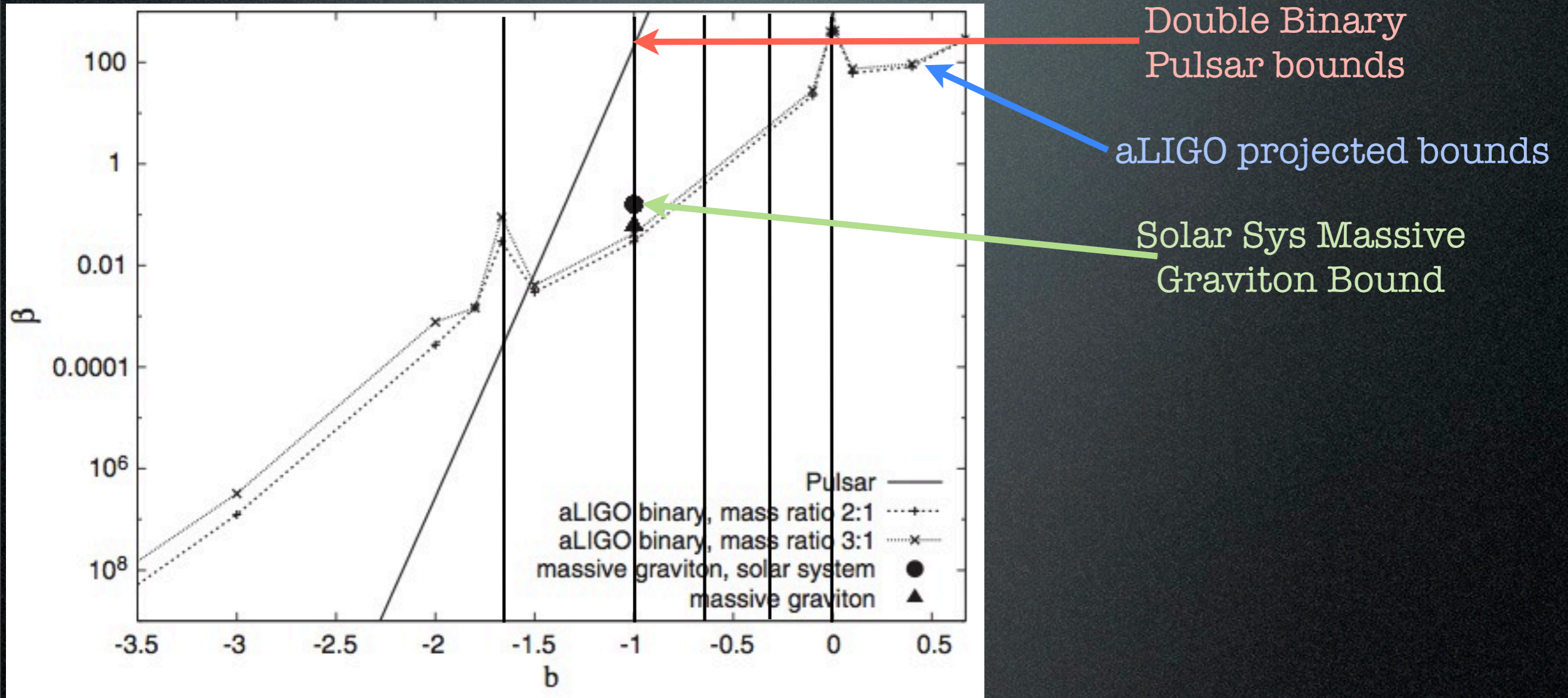
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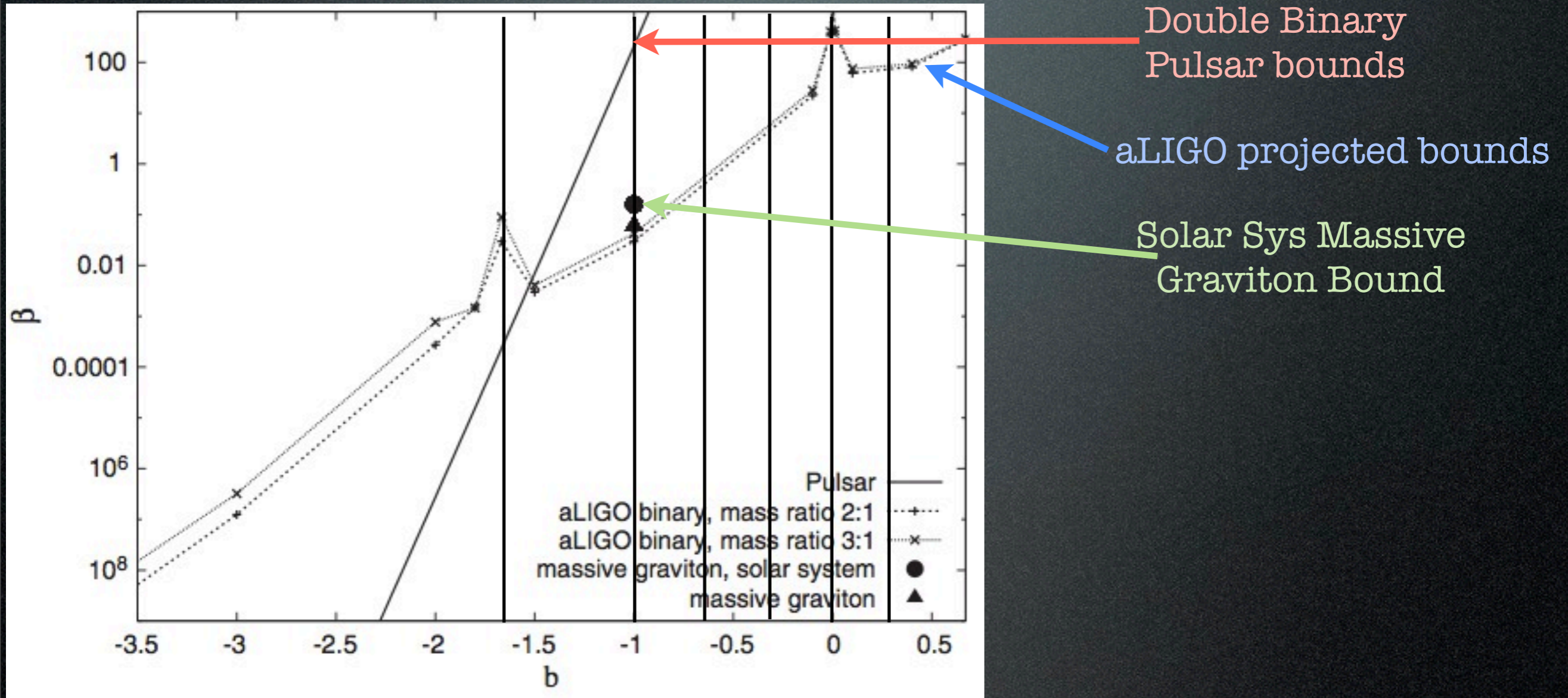
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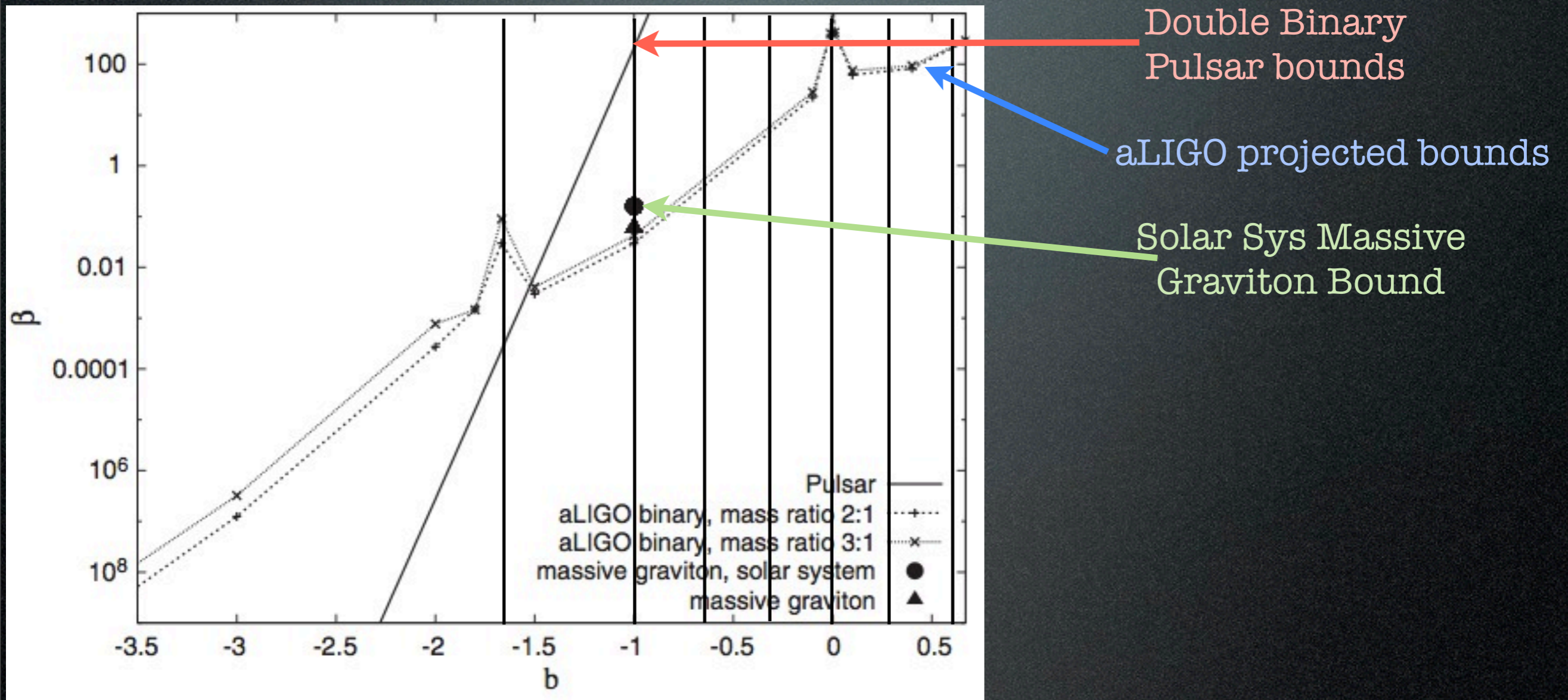
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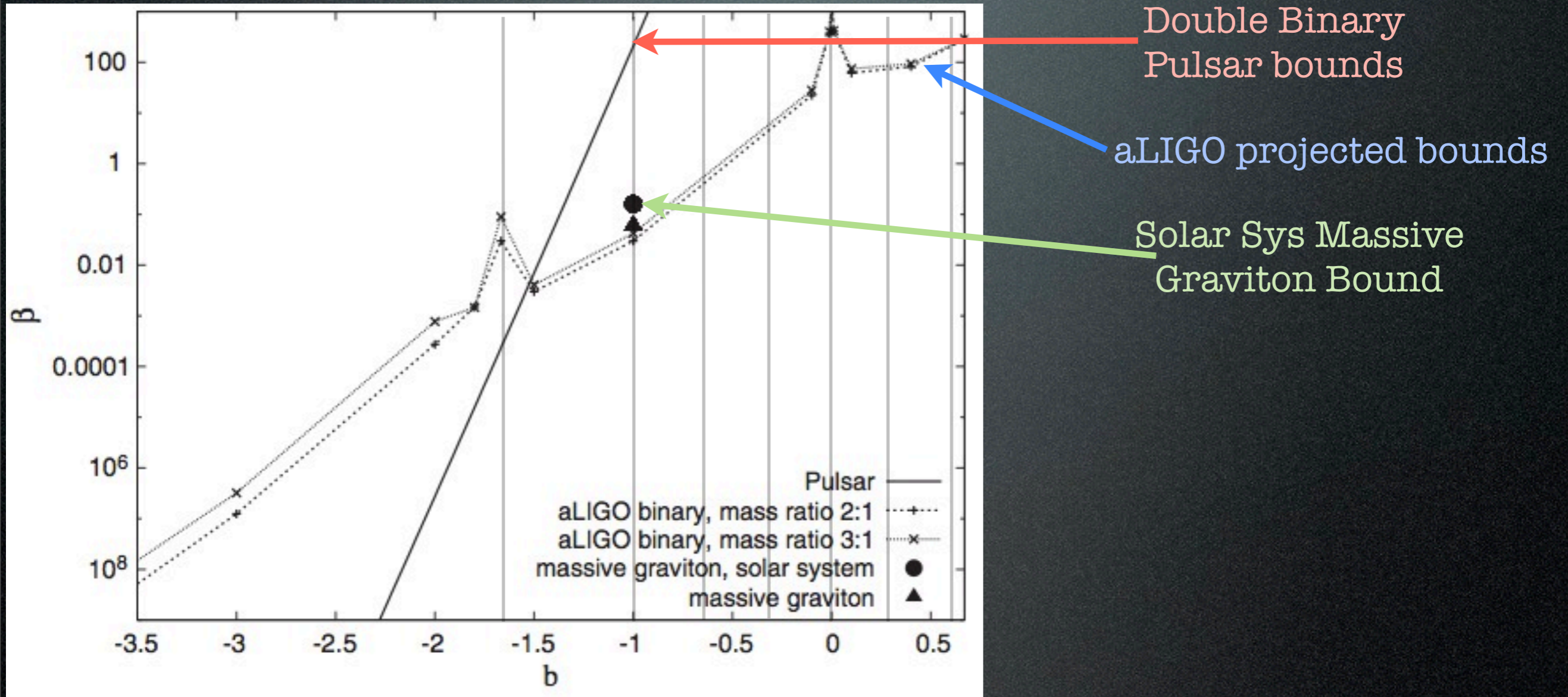
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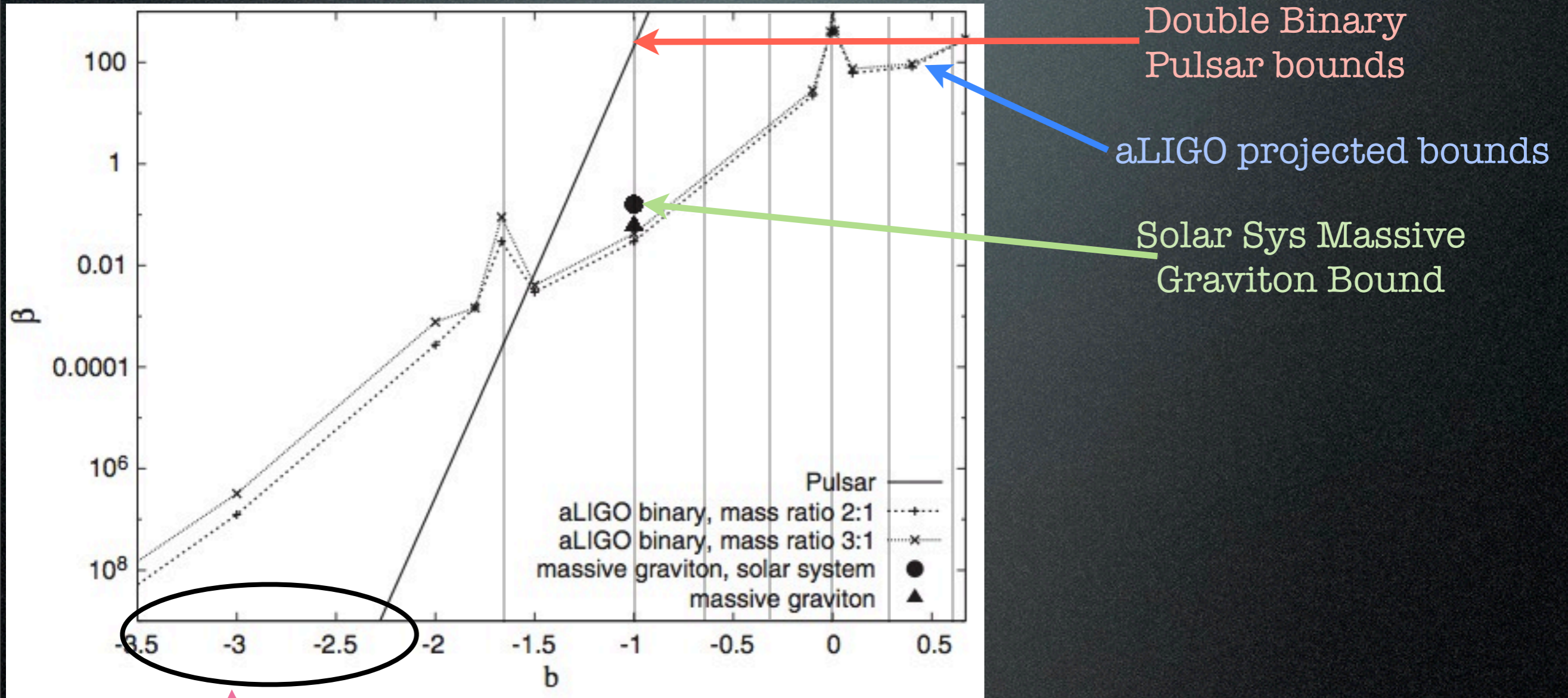
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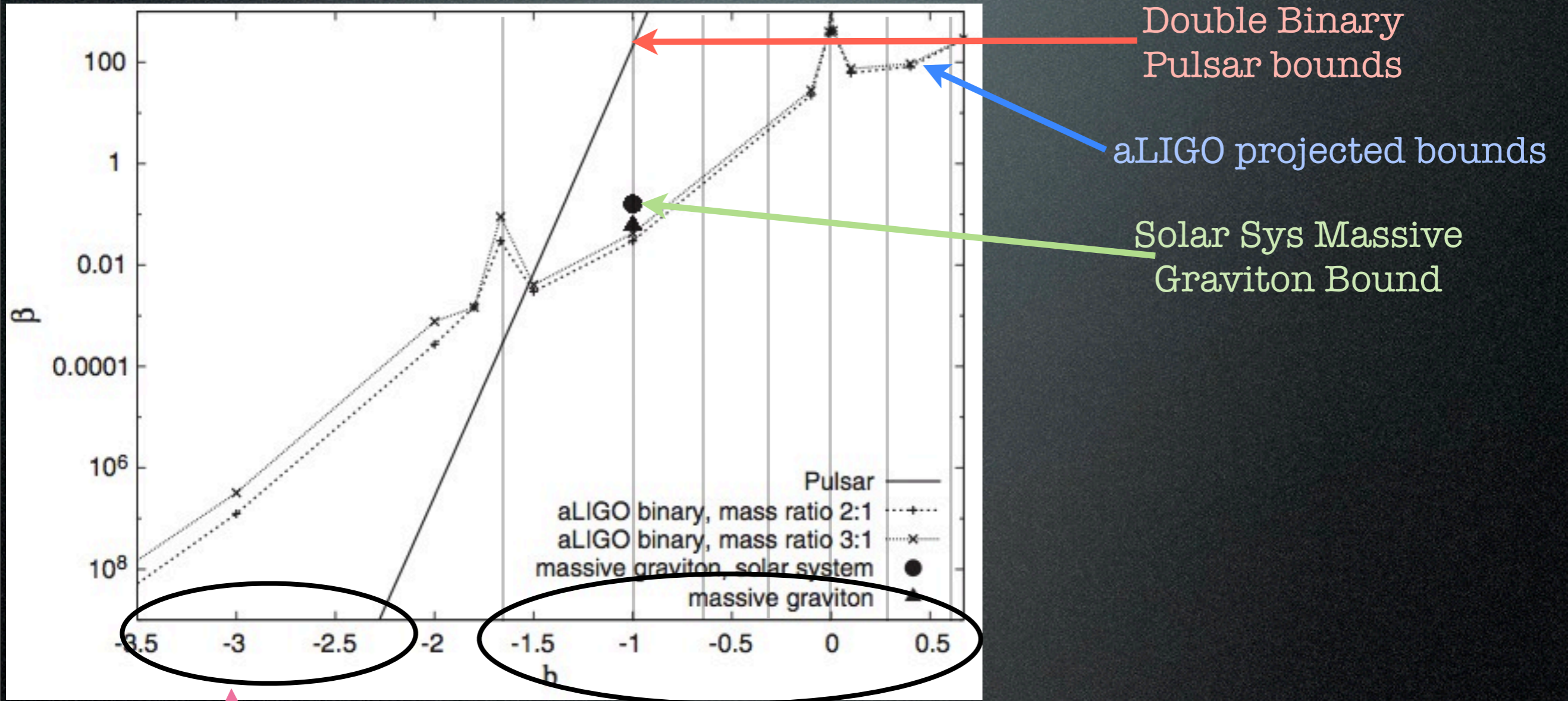
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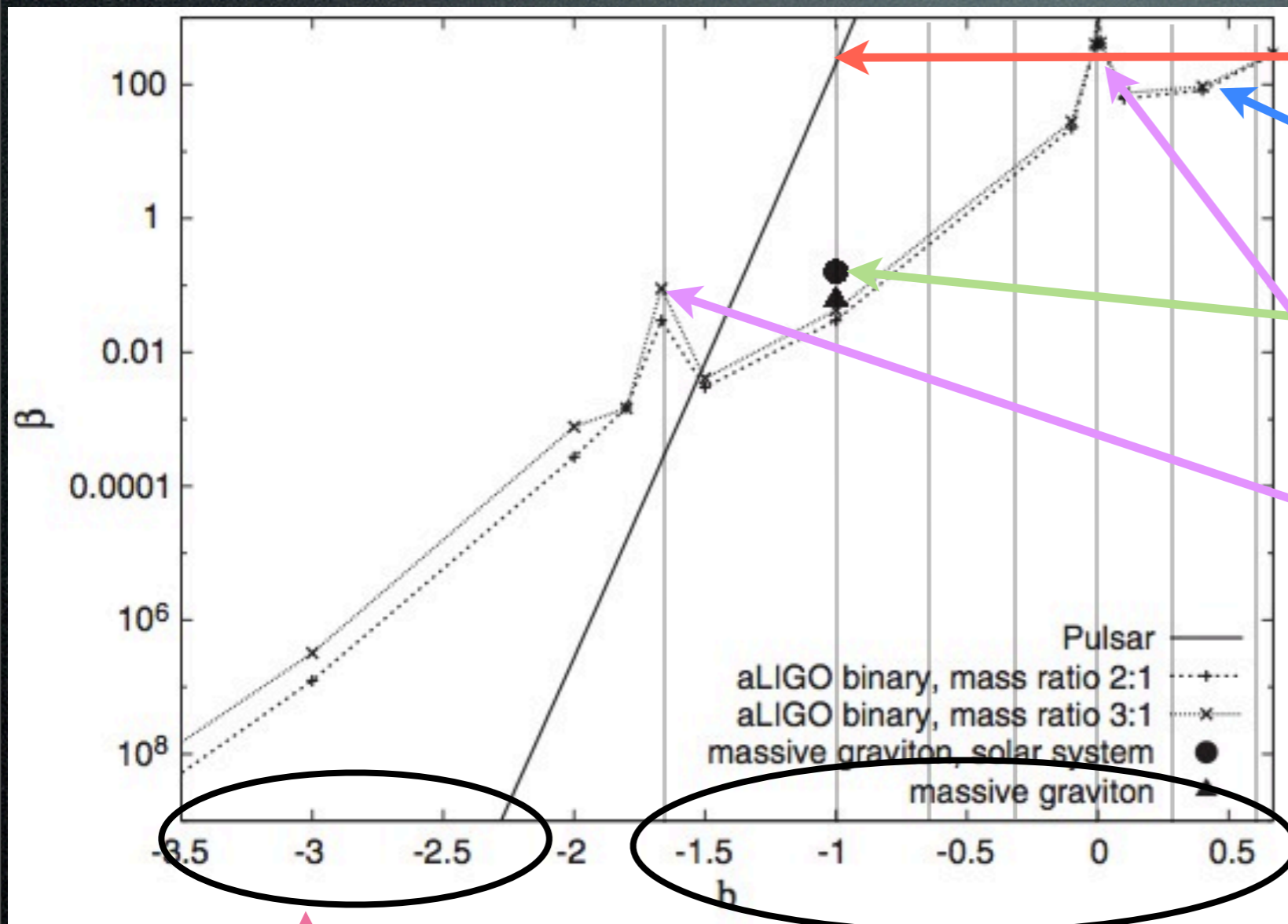
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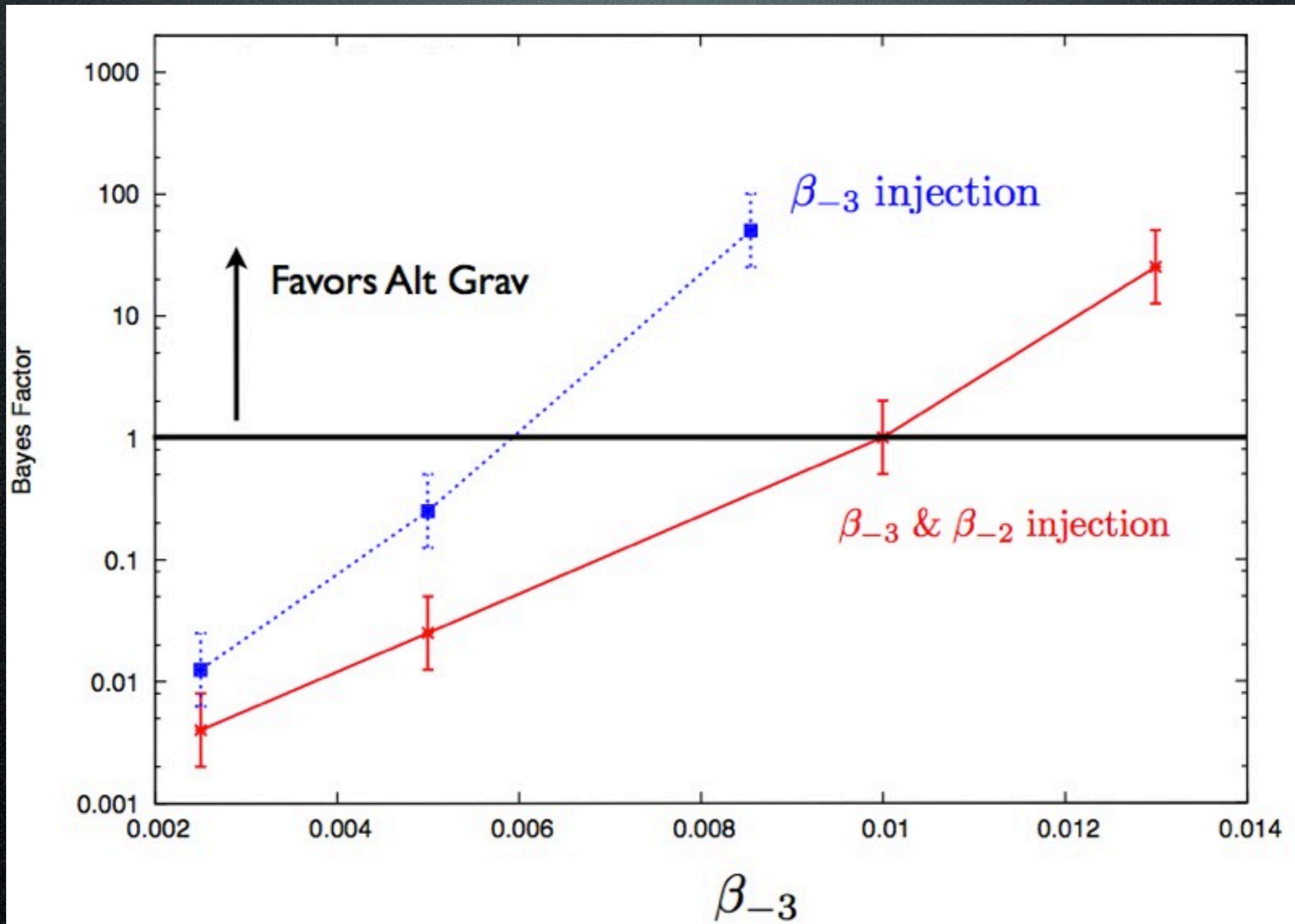
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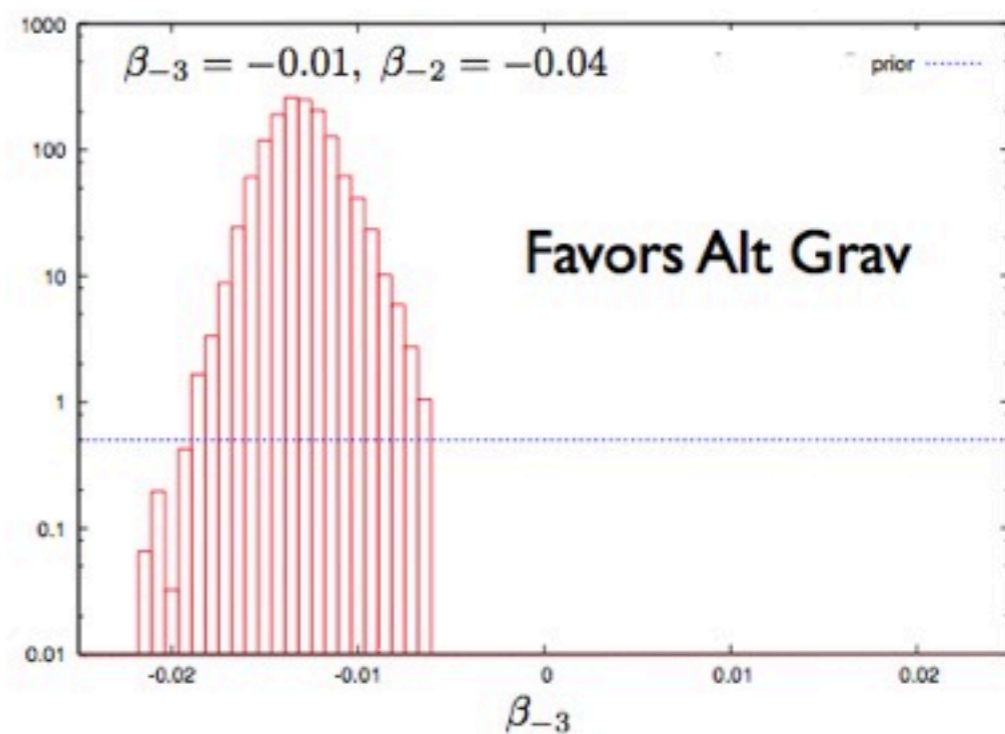
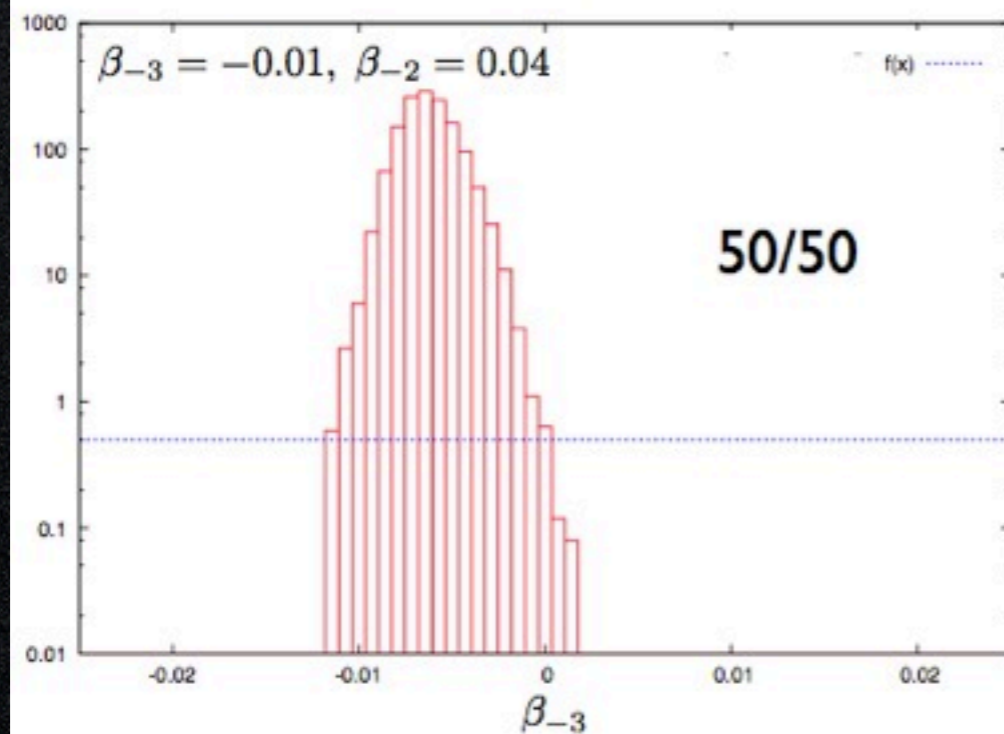
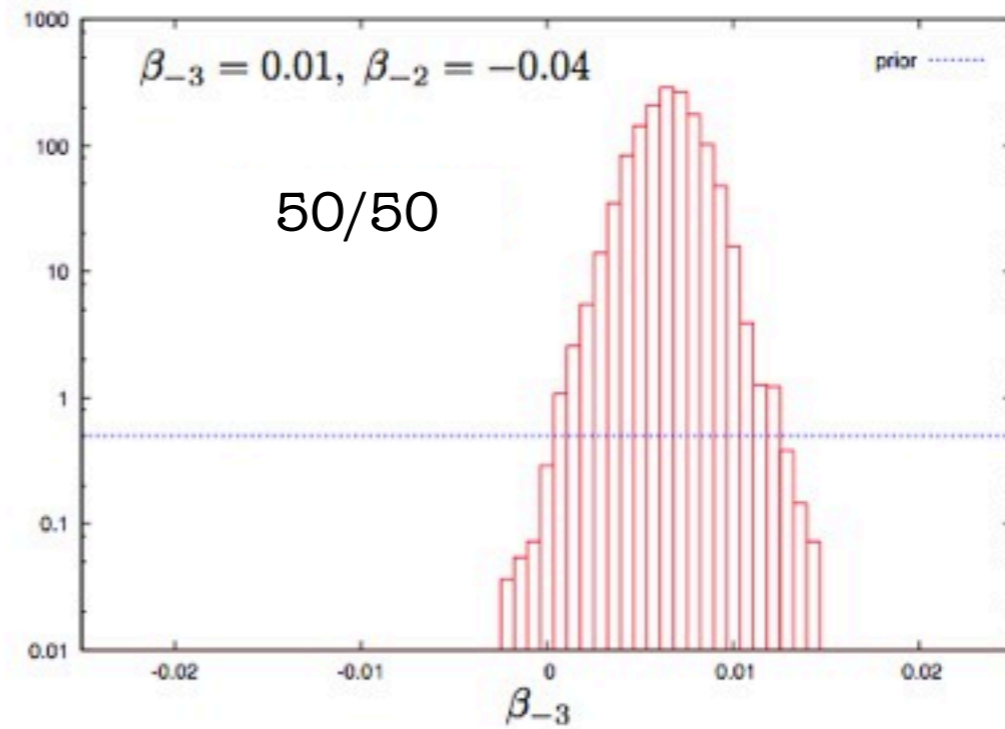
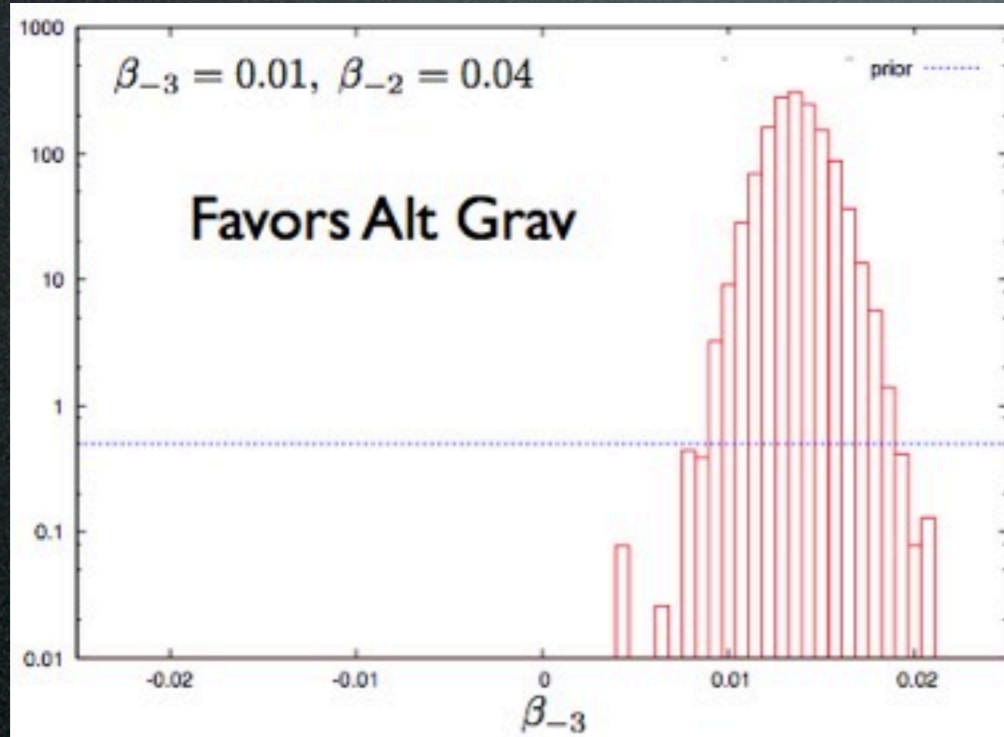
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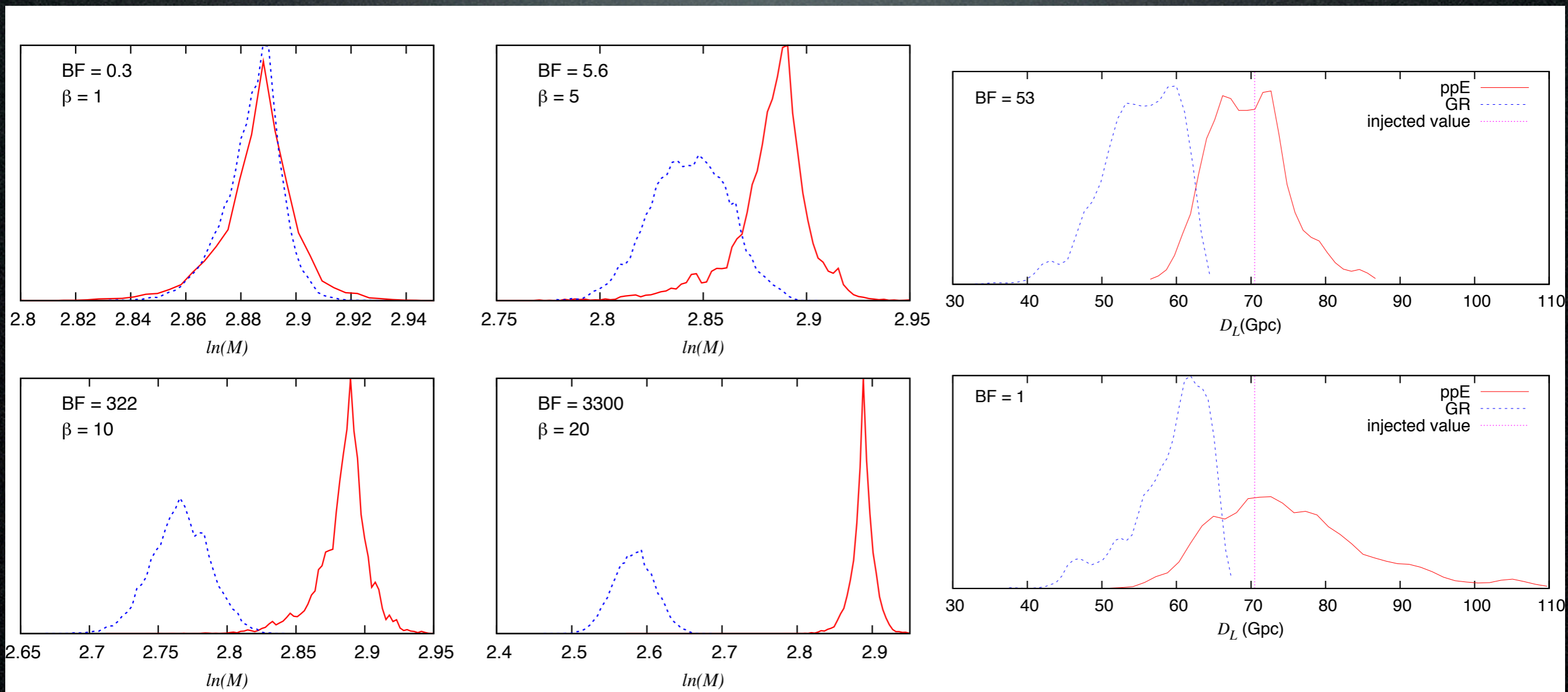
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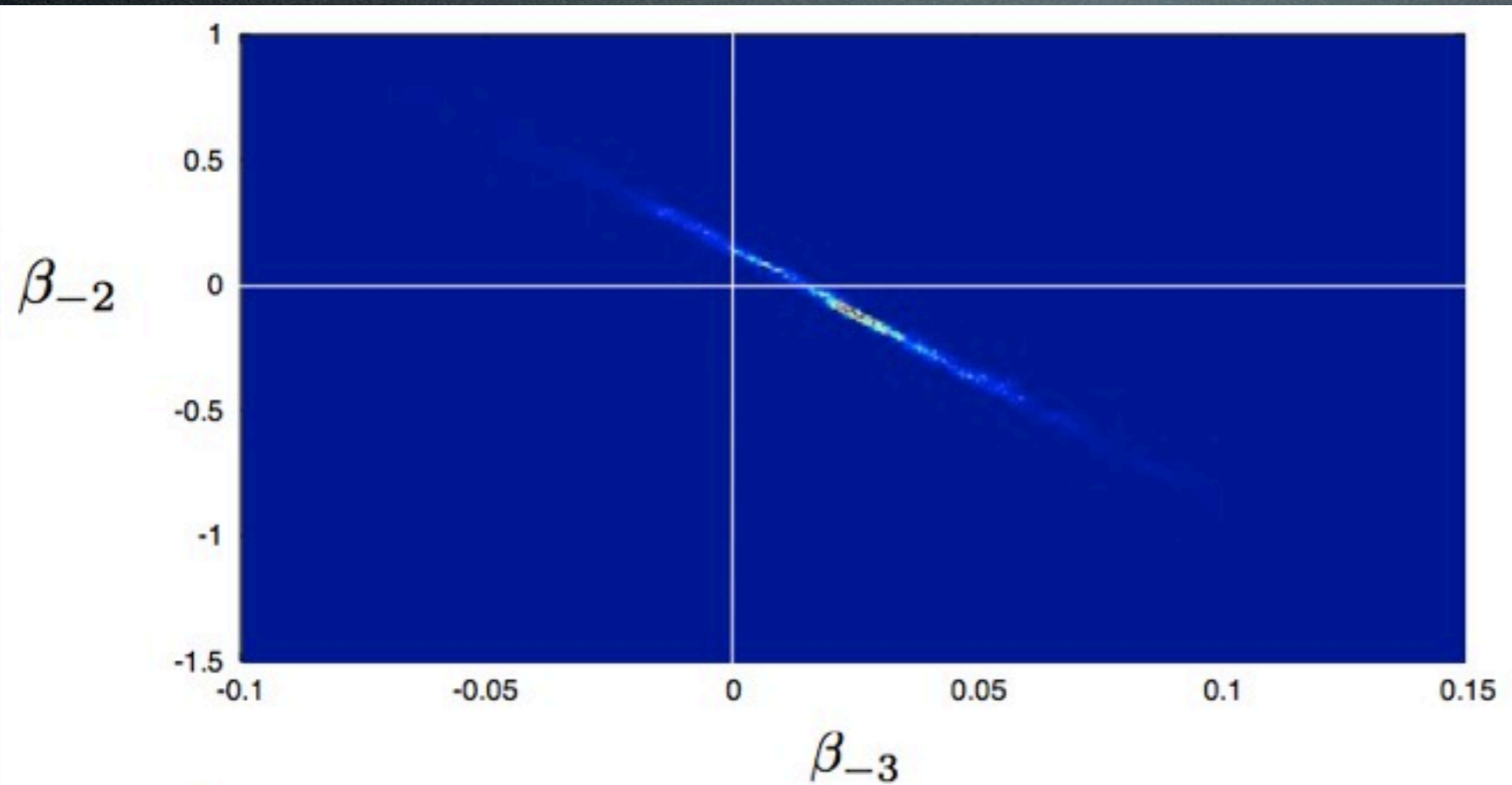
# Fundamental Bias and Deviations

## Non-GR Signal/GR Templates, SNR = 20

Non GR injection, extracted with GR templates (blue) and ppE templates (red). GR template extraction is “wrong” by much more than the systematic (statistical) error. “Fundamental Bias”

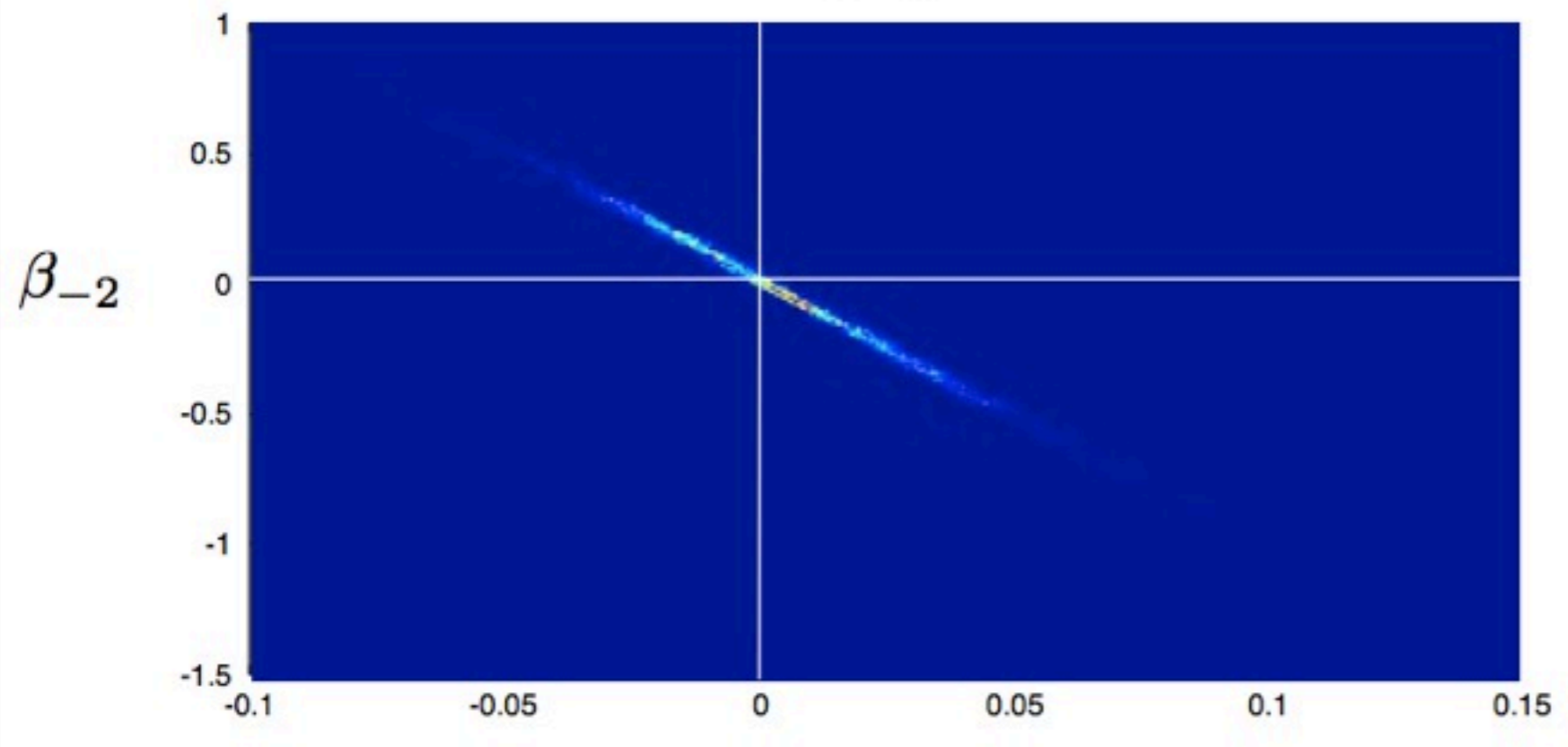


# 2-Parameter ppE Effectiveness



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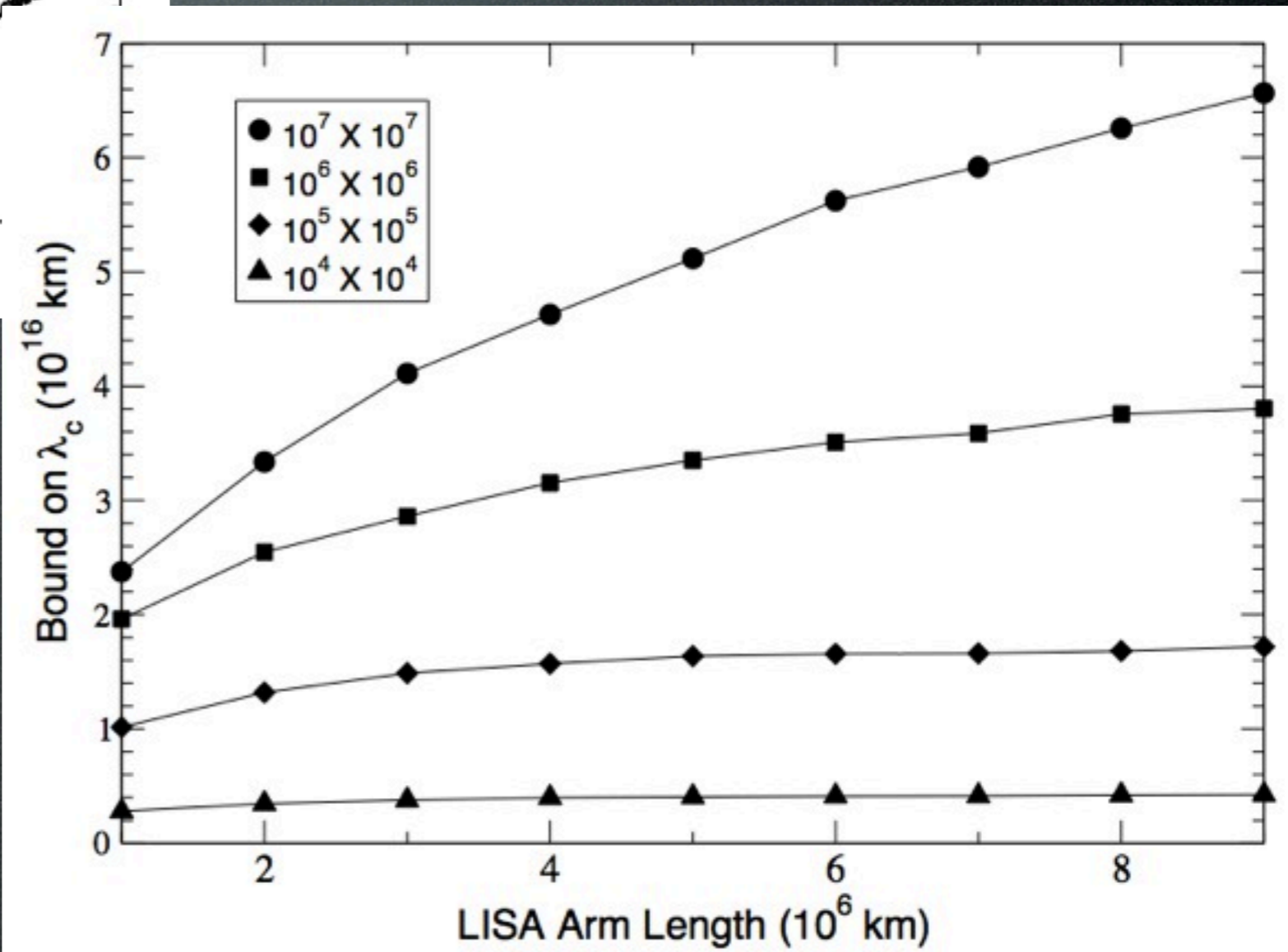
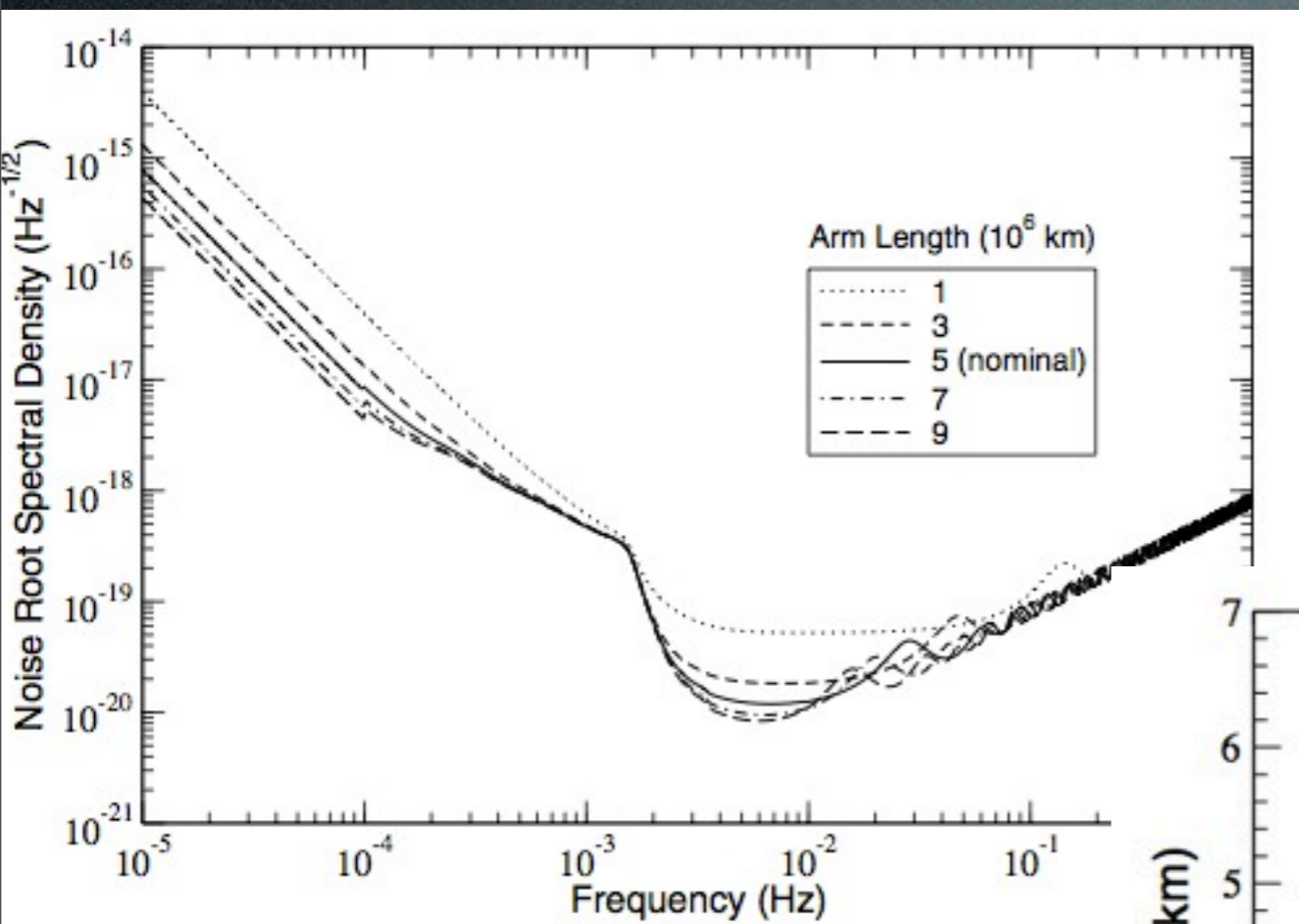
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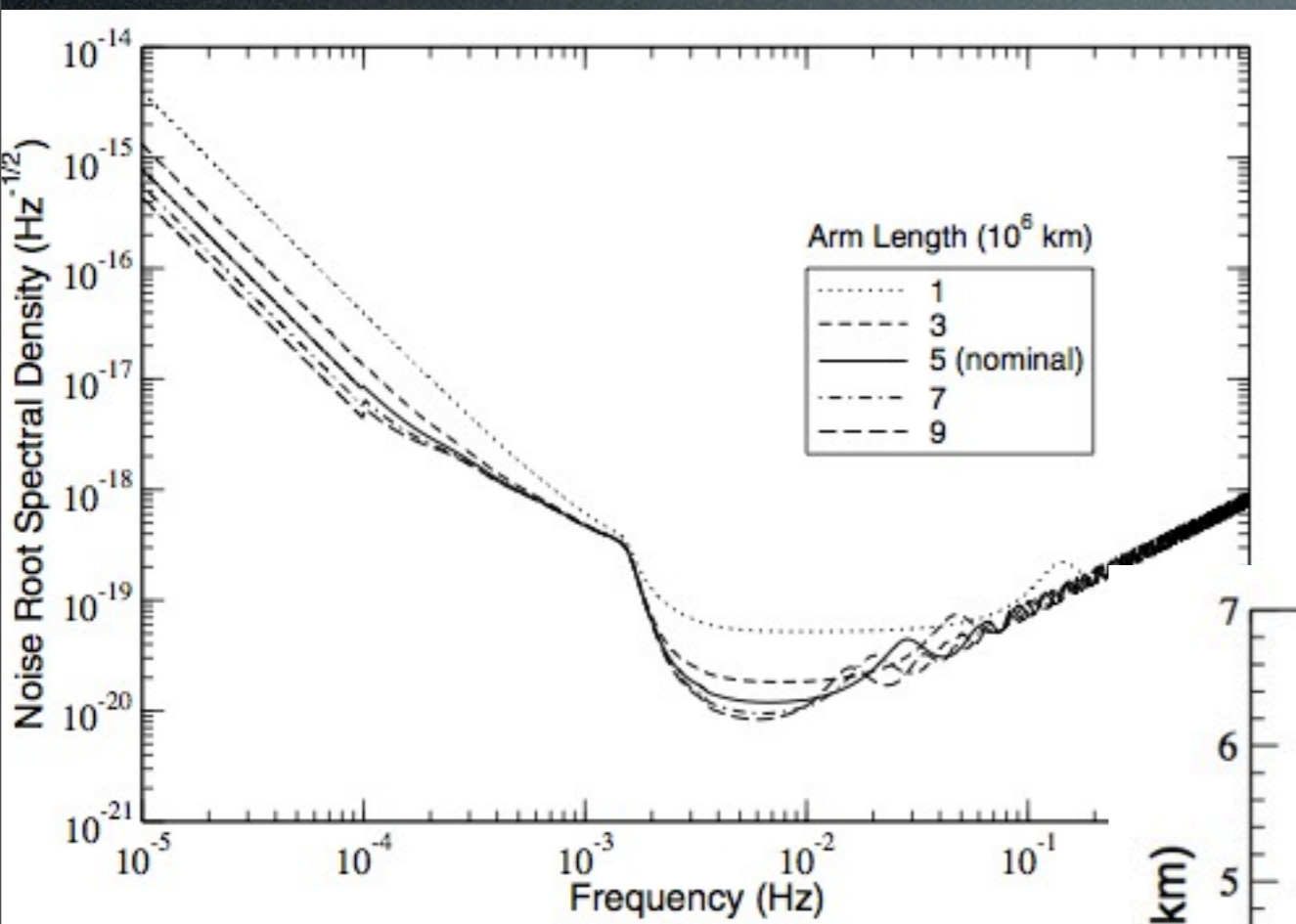
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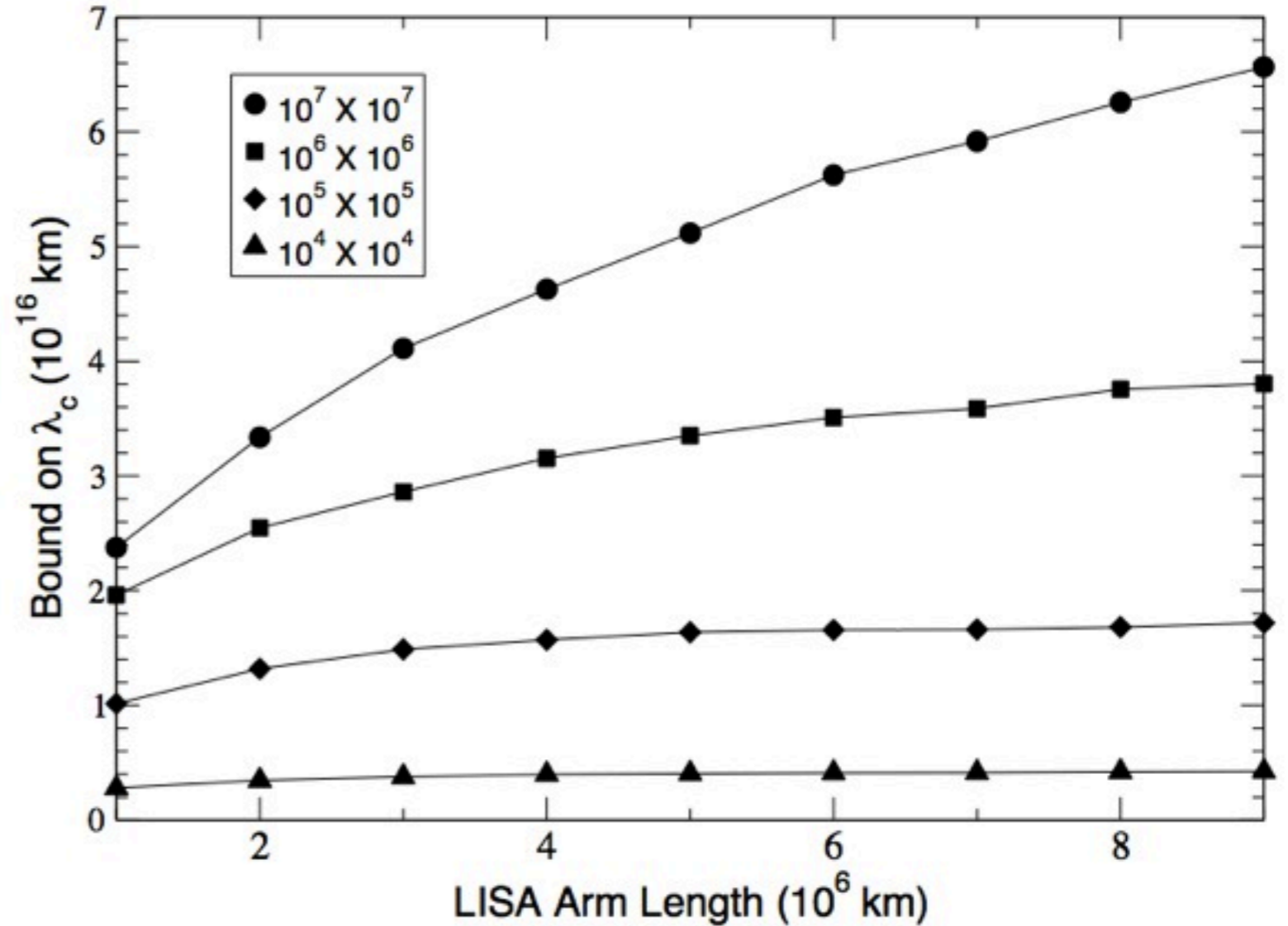
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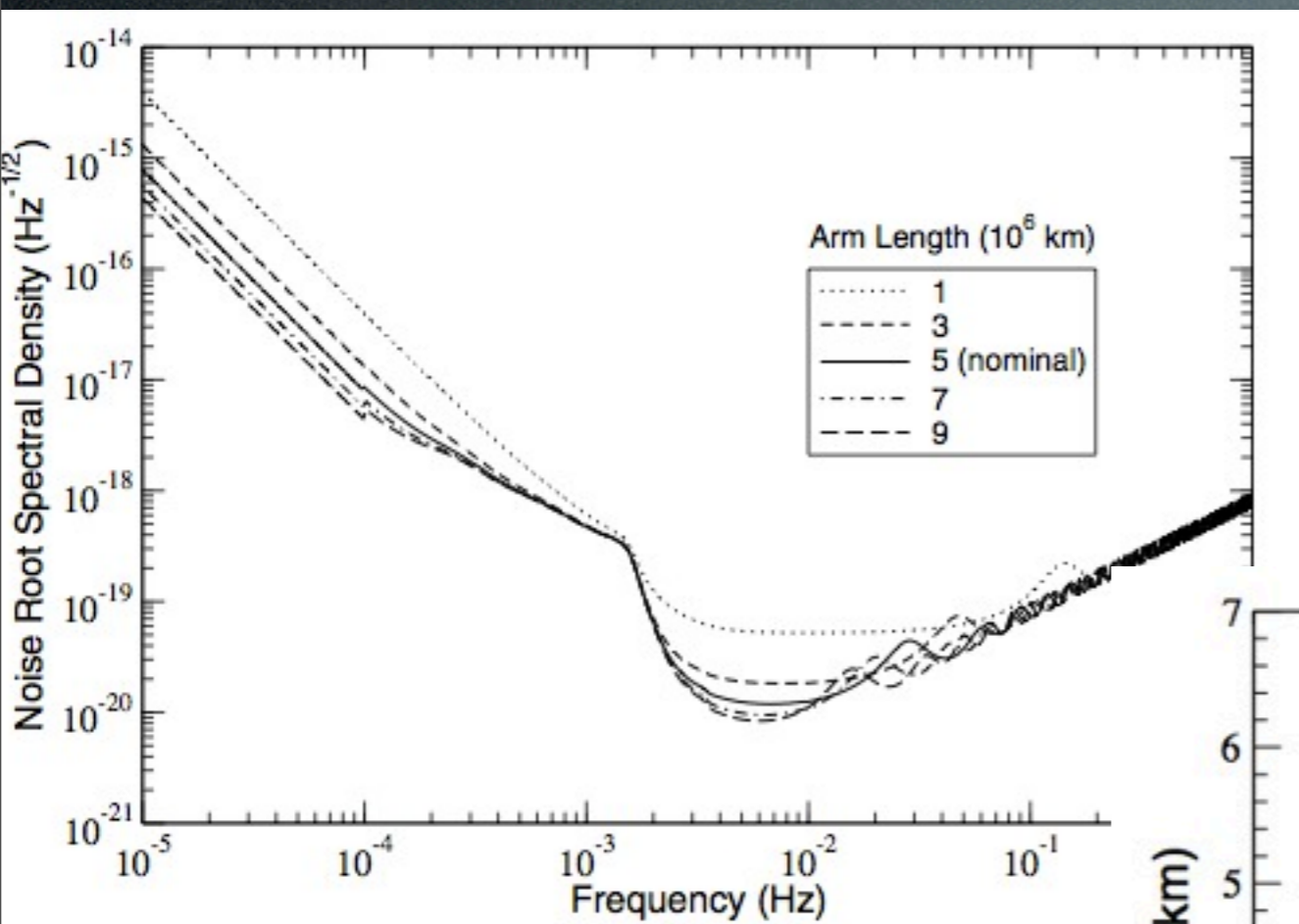
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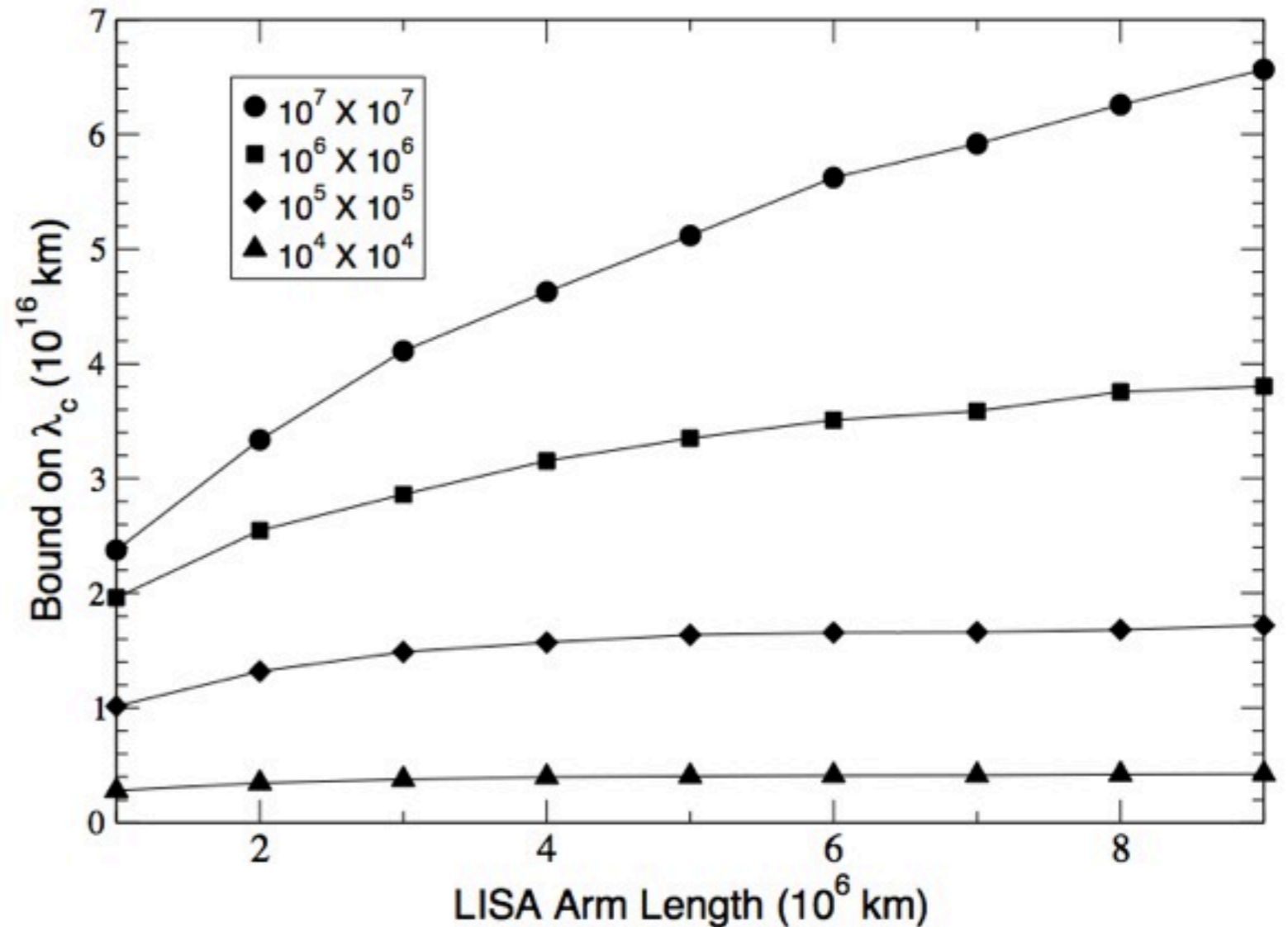


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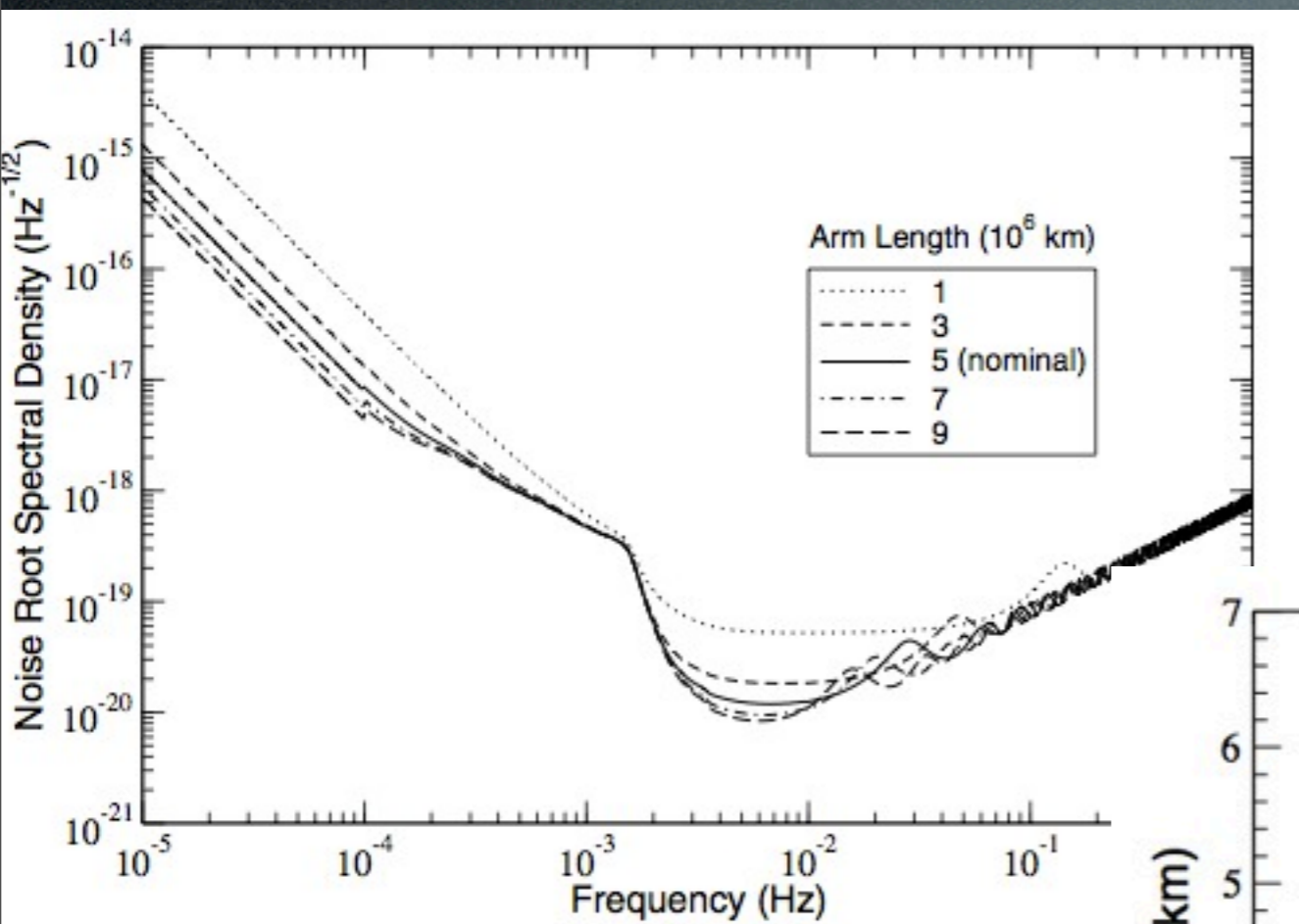


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