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Up to 700k GPU Cores on CAS Supercomputers,  
for star cluster simulations  
around black holes

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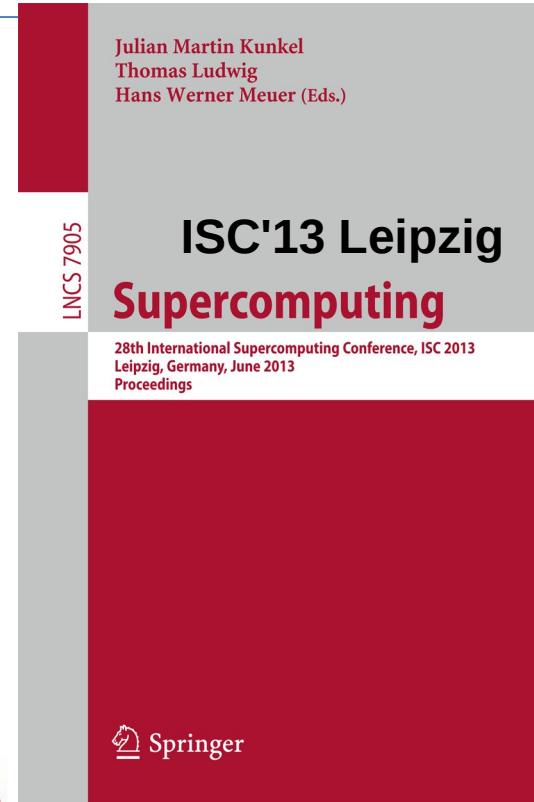
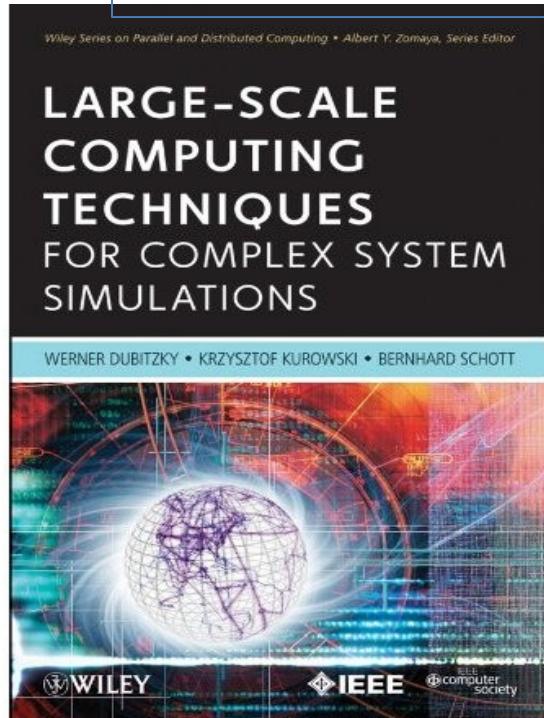
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## PRACE Award - 2011

# Astrophysical Particle Simulations with Large Custom GPU Clusters on Three Continents

Rainer Spurzem, et al, Chinese Academy of Sciences & University of Heidelberg



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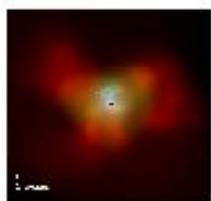


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Our Main Research Projects are:

- Binary Supermassive Black Holes and Gravitational Waves in Quiet and Active Galactic Nuclei



- Dynamical Evolution of Stars and Gas in Galactic Nuclei and Dense Star Clusters
- How are planetary systems forming and evolving (in star clusters)?
- How can we design supercomputers which are faster and consume less energy?



- Education and Workshops in Computational and Theoretical Astrophysics, Parallel Programming and Accelerated Computing



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Magnetic Fields,  
Numerical Astrophysics



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Tidal Accretion of Stars



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numerical simulation,  
GPU computing



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System Administrator  
Grid Software Expert



**Hazel Wei**  
Administrative staff

Administrative Office  
Assistant

# Green Grid of GPU Clusters

Berkeley

Heidelberg/Jülich

Kiev

Almaty

Beijing

Lahore

Nagasaki

On the path to Exascale?

Black: ICCS Nodes, probably not Green Grid

Green: confirmed partners with GPU clusters Green Grid

Red: clusters in construction or planned

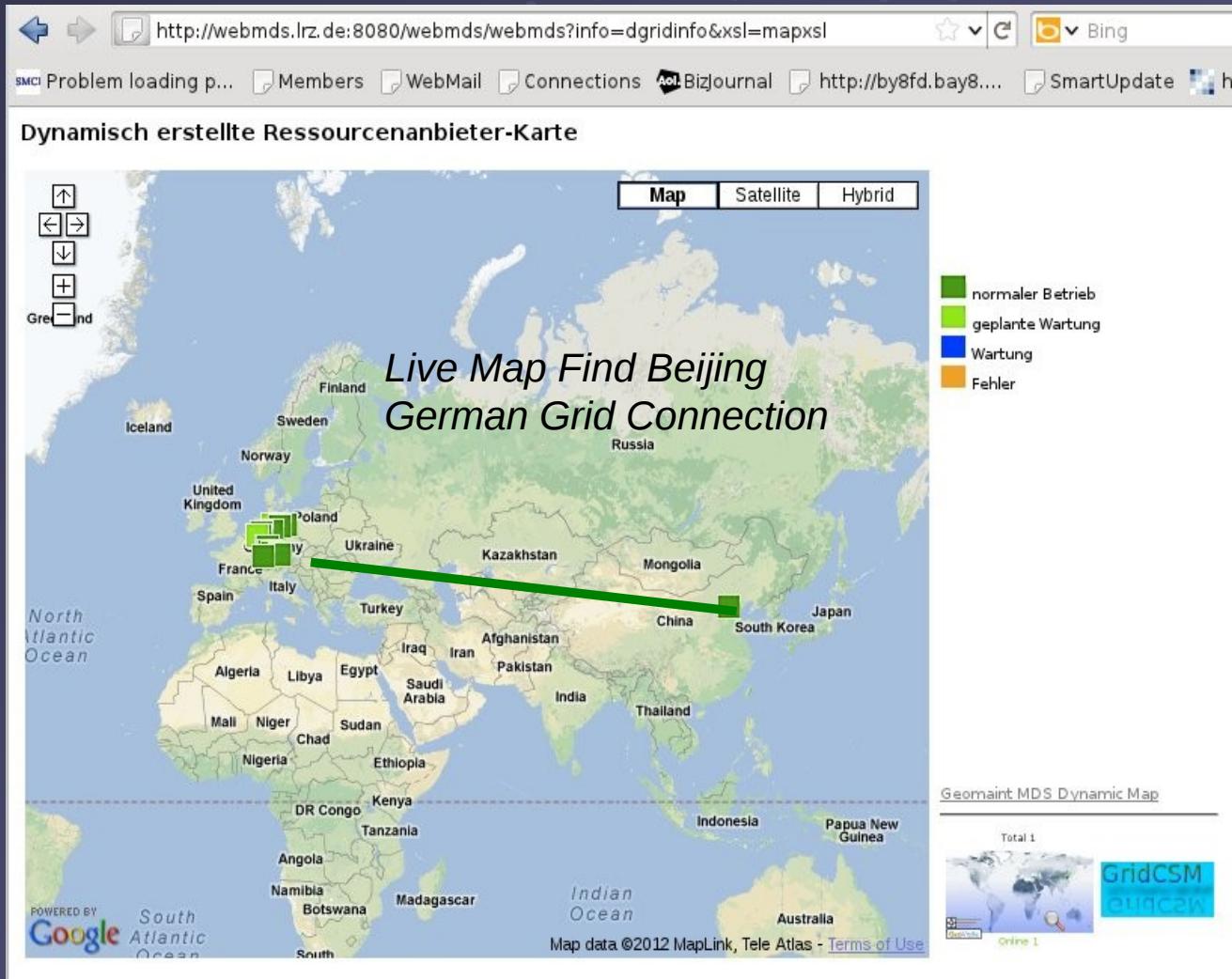
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# Green Grid

China National Grid

<http://webmds.lrz.de:8080/webmds/webmds?info=dgridinfo&xsl=mapxsl>



Some Software used from:  
D-Grid / Astrogrid-D =  
German Astronomy  
Community Grid

<http://www.gac-grid.org>

Globus GT 4.0 (soon 5.0)  
Gridway Job Submission

Authentication through  
Root-CA;s in China (IHEP)  
and Germany (DFN)  
Simple File Transfer

Much work in progress...

# Star Clusters, Black Holes, Gravitational Waves

- Hardware accelerated
- Astrophysics: Black Holes, gravitational waves
- Software and Scaling



Doomsday?  
21 – 12 - 2012

# 国家天文台 GPU 超级计算机**老虎**



性能描述：85 个计算节点，通过 Infiniband 高速网络连接；每个节点安装了 2 个 4 核的 Xeon E5520 中央处理器，24GB 内存，CPU 理论峰值为 1.5 万亿次；每个节点安装了 2 块 Nvidia C1060 图形加速卡，理论单精度浮点计算峰值约为 160 万亿次。

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# Upgrade of 老虎 Sep. 2013 – for Kepler GPU ...

59 (64) Kepler K20X GPU

1.31/3.95 Tflop/s double/single

6 GB Memory

250 GB/sec Bandwidth

2688 cores



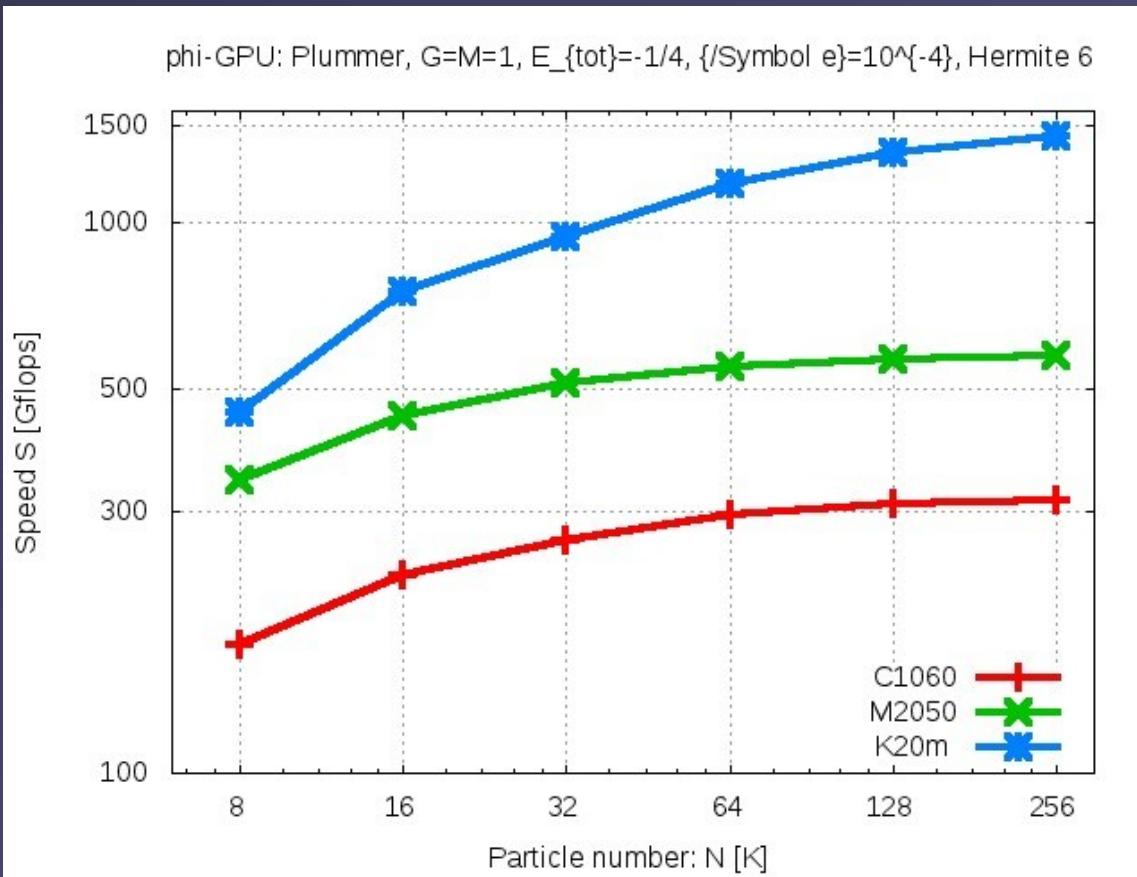
Old Tesla C1060 of 2009:

1.00 single / 0.3 double (emulated)

2 GB Memory

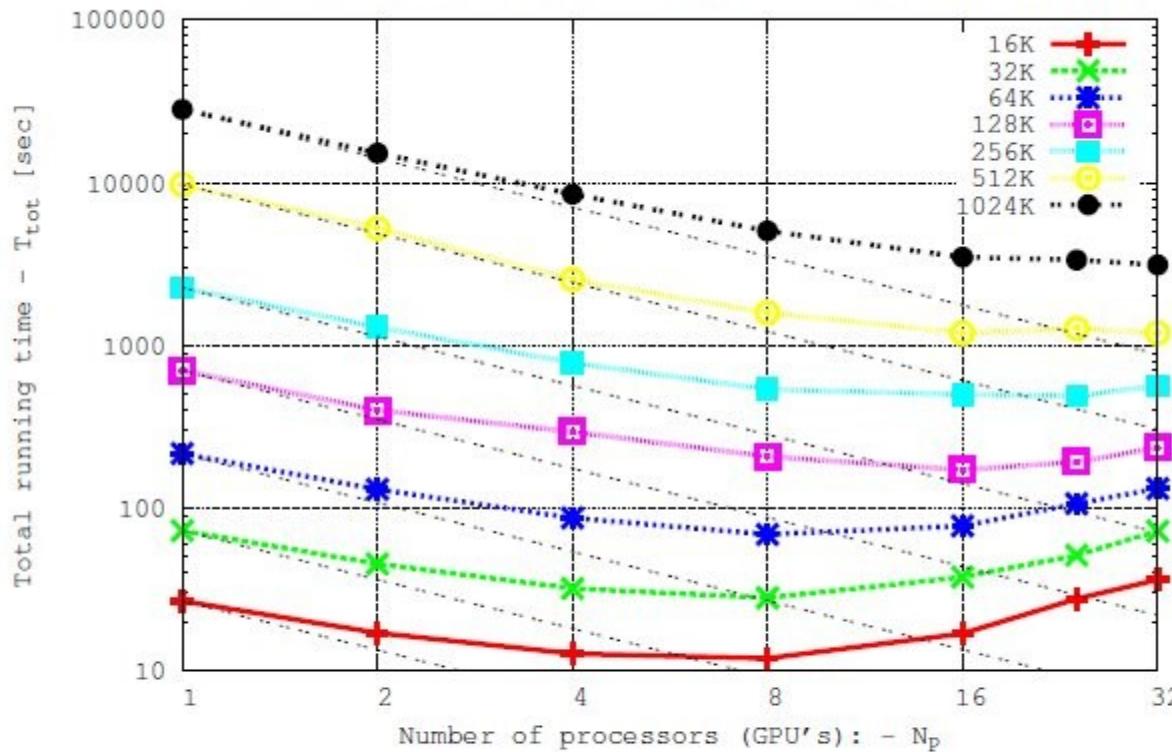
440 cores

# Kepler Scaling, it works...



Spurzem, Berczik,  
et al., 2013,  
LNCS Supercomputing,  
2013, pp. 13-25,  
Springer publisher.

**Fig. 4.** Here we report a preliminary result from a benchmark test of our code on one Kepler K20 card; we compare with the performance on Fermi C2050 (used in the Mole-8.5 cluster), and the oldest Tesla C1060 GPU (used in the laohu cluster of 2009) - the latter is used as a normalization reference. We plot the speed ratio of our usual benchmarking simulation used in the previous figures, as a function of particle number. From this we see the sustained performance of a Kepler K20 would be about 1.4 - 1.5 Tflop/s.



**Figure 3.** Total wall clock time of 1 time unit integration with the NBODY6++GPU on the K20 GPU cards. The lines with different symbols presents the different particle numbers.

Strong Scaling of  
Legacy Code  
NBODY6++  
with 32 Kepler K20  
on  
Beijing  
NAOC laohu  
cluster

# Current project 2012-2014: Milky Way + Judge at FZ Jülich, Germany

**SFB 881 – The Milky Way System**

**Collaboration with  
FZ Jülich, Germany**

**204 nodes ~ 2448 CPU cores**

**20 TB CPU memory**

**408 GPUs M2070/M2050**

**~ 200.000 GPU threads**

**2 TB GPU device memory**

**Spring 2012... jointly operated**



Milky Way

84 Nodes  
2x GPU M2070

96 GByte/Node

GPU Cluster

Judge

68 Nodes  
2x GPU M2070    54 Nodes  
2x GPU M2050

96 GByte/Node

In kind  
Judge

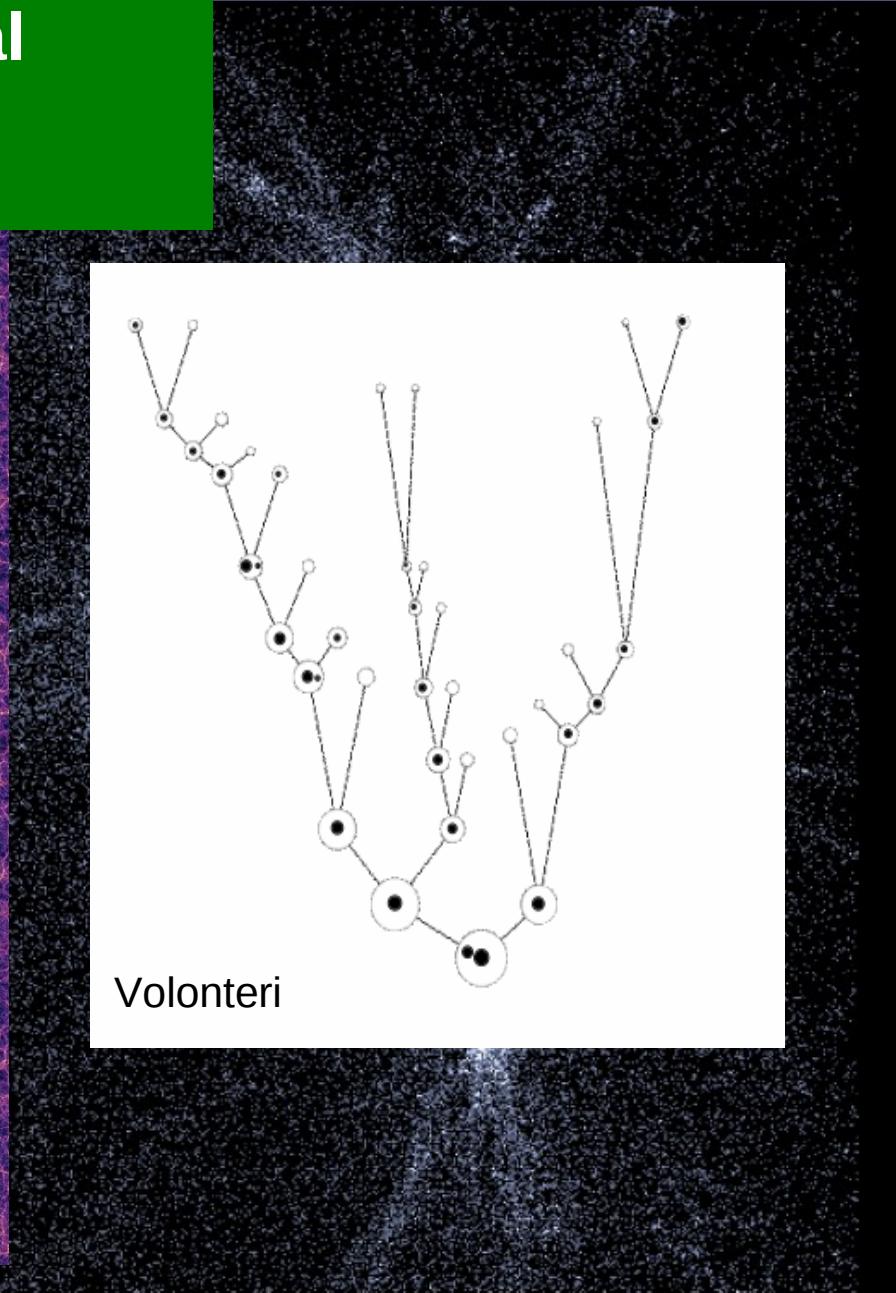
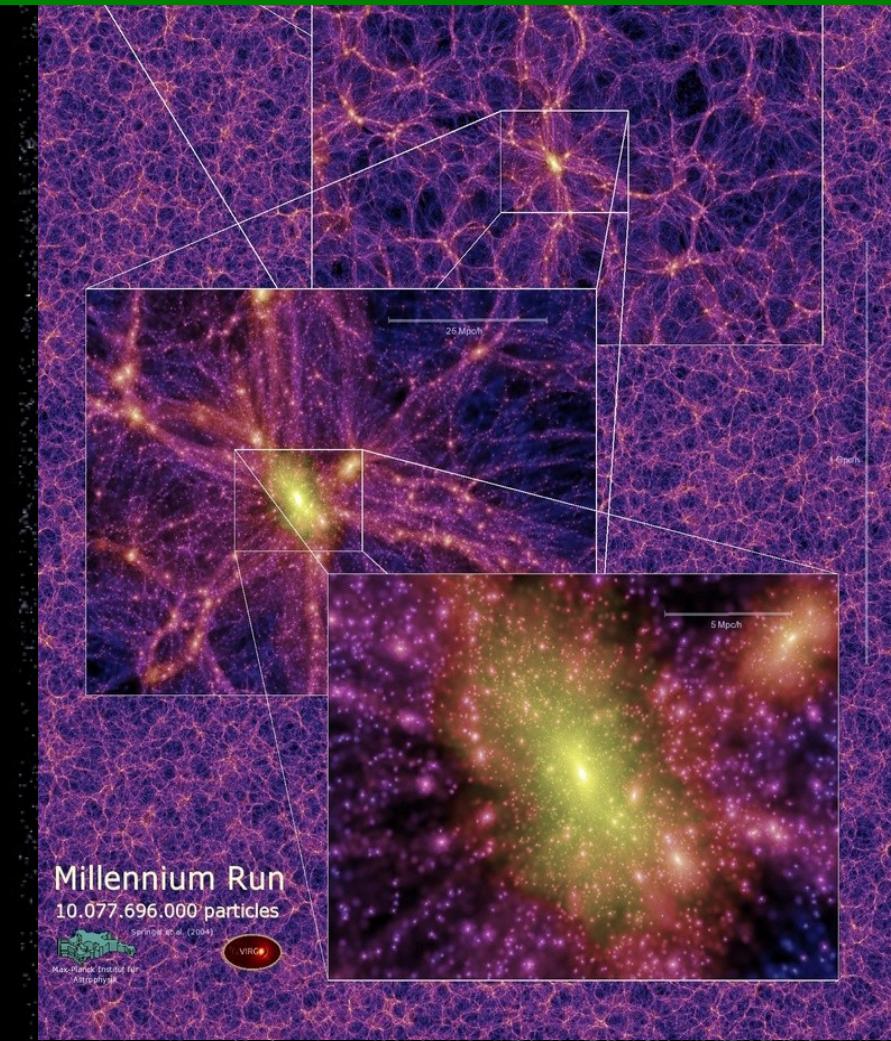
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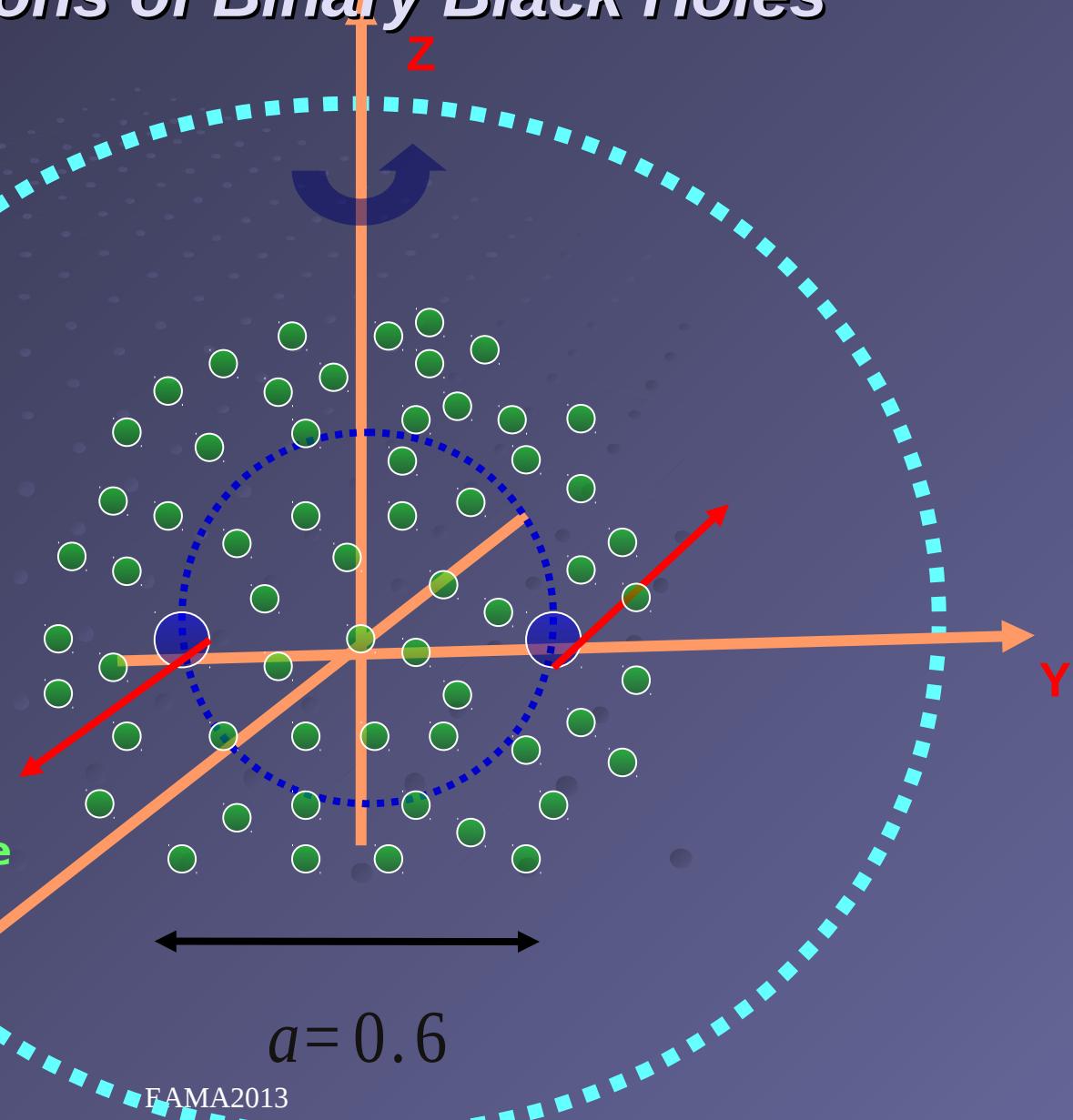
# Galaxies merge, hierarchical Structure formation, their centres? Black Holes?



# *Simulations of Binary Black Holes*

Black Holes in Dense  
Stellar Clusters:  
N-Body Problem  
with  
General Relativity  
(Post-Newtonian)

**Two equal-mass  
black holes in central core  
of simplified galaxy  
(up to 4 million particles)**



# On the Evolution of Stellar Systems

*V. A. Ambartsumian*

(George Darwin Lecture, delivered on 1960 May 13)

**I**N THIS lecture we shall consider some aspects of the problem of the evolution of stellar systems. We shall concentrate chiefly on *galaxies*. However, at the same time we shall treat here some questions connected with star *clusters* as component members of galaxies.



## Concepts discussed:

**Total Energy of grav. star clusters NOT additive**  
**No thermodynamical equilibrium**  
**Statistical Theory of Gases to be used with care**  
**(large mean free path)**

**Locally truncated Maxwellian distribution.**  
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- Millisecond Pulsars
- Dynamical Time Scale
- Relaxation Time Scale
- Age of Universe

$$t_{\text{cr}} = \frac{r_h}{\sigma_h} ,$$

$10^{-3}$  sec  
 $10^6$  yrs

$$t_{\text{rx}} = \frac{9}{16\sqrt{\pi}} \frac{\sigma^3}{G^2 m \rho \ln(\gamma N)} .$$

$10^8$  yrs  
 $10^{10}$  yrs

## Laboratories for gravothermal N-Body Systems!

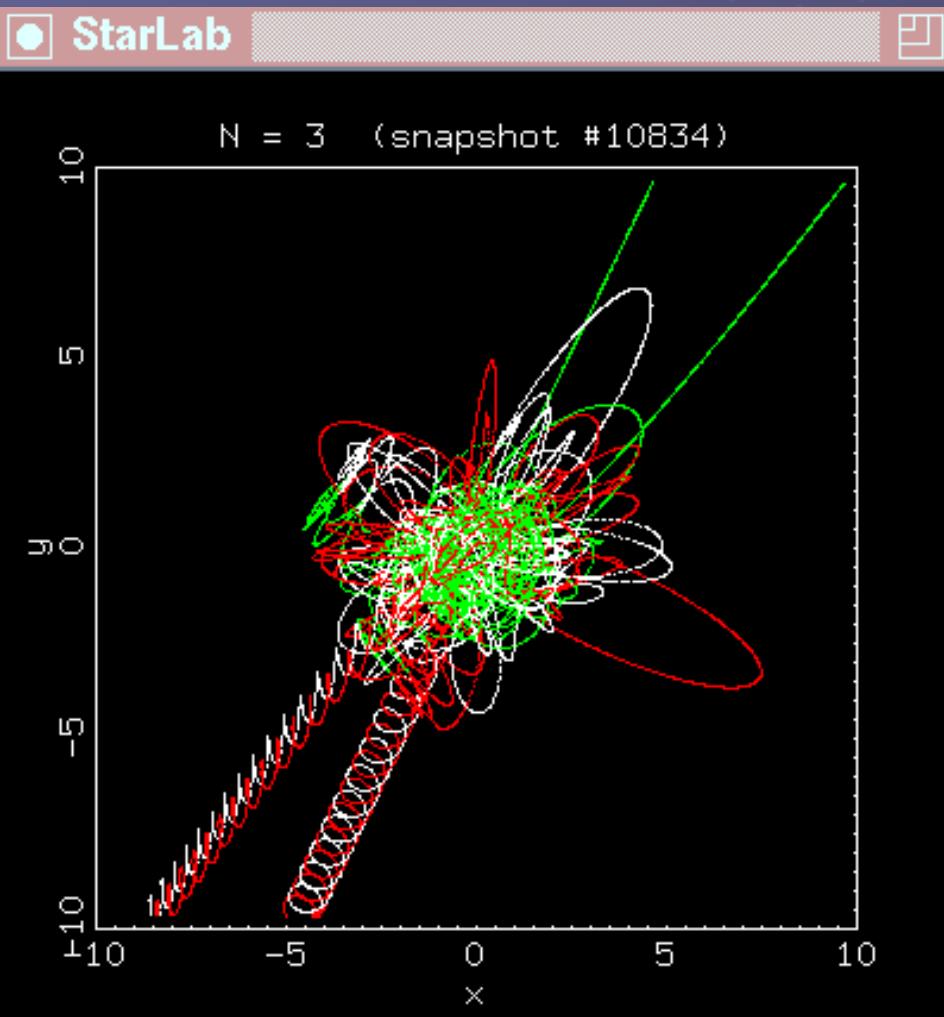
Note: Cosmological and Galactic N-Body Simulations need few crossing times, and less than a relaxation time, while gravothermal systems need multiples of N crossing times, several relaxation times! Complexity goes as  $N^3$  !

$$t_{\text{cr}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{r_h^3}{GM_h}} .$$

$\leftarrow$  Virial Equilibrium  $\rightarrow$

$$\frac{t_{\text{rx}}}{t_{\text{dyn}}} \propto \frac{N}{\log(\gamma N)} .$$

# Dynamics of Binary Black Holes in Galactic Nuclei



## Unstable 3-body

Encounters Starlab Simulation  
(S.L.W. McMillan)

<http://www.physics.drexel.edu/~steve/>  
-> Three-Body-Problem

Here: some classical  
3-body movies...

# Binary BH Evolution in non-rotating spherical Models

Gravitational Waves

3-Body  
Encounters

Dynamical  
Friction

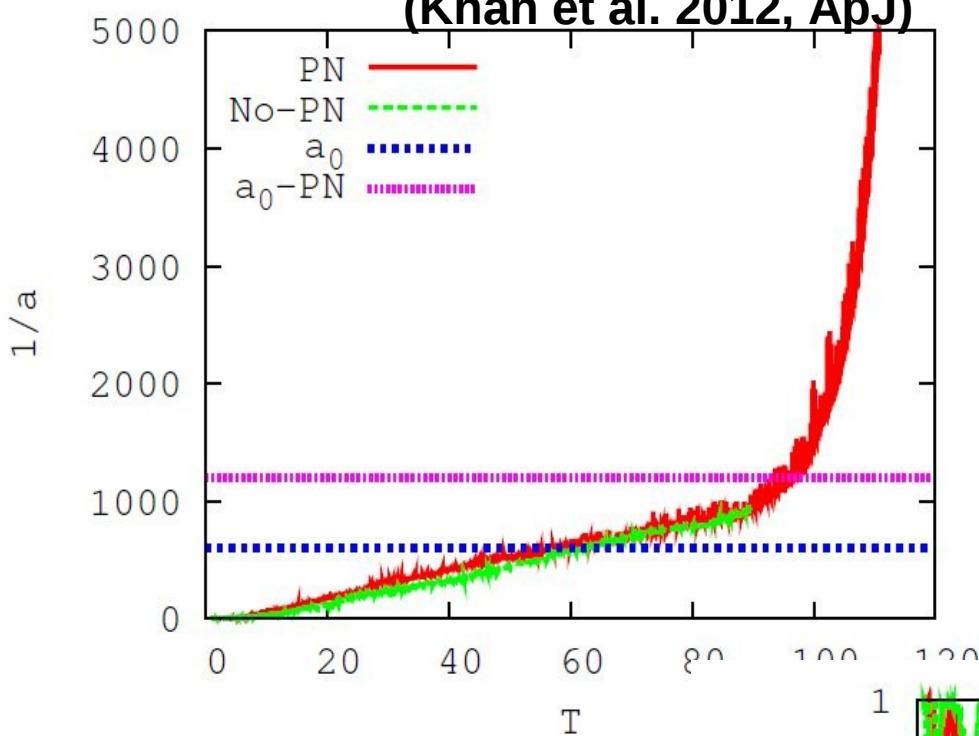
time

Increasing  
Particle  
Number

Final Parsec  
Problem

Slide:  
Ingo  
Berentzen

(Khan et al. 2012, ApJ)

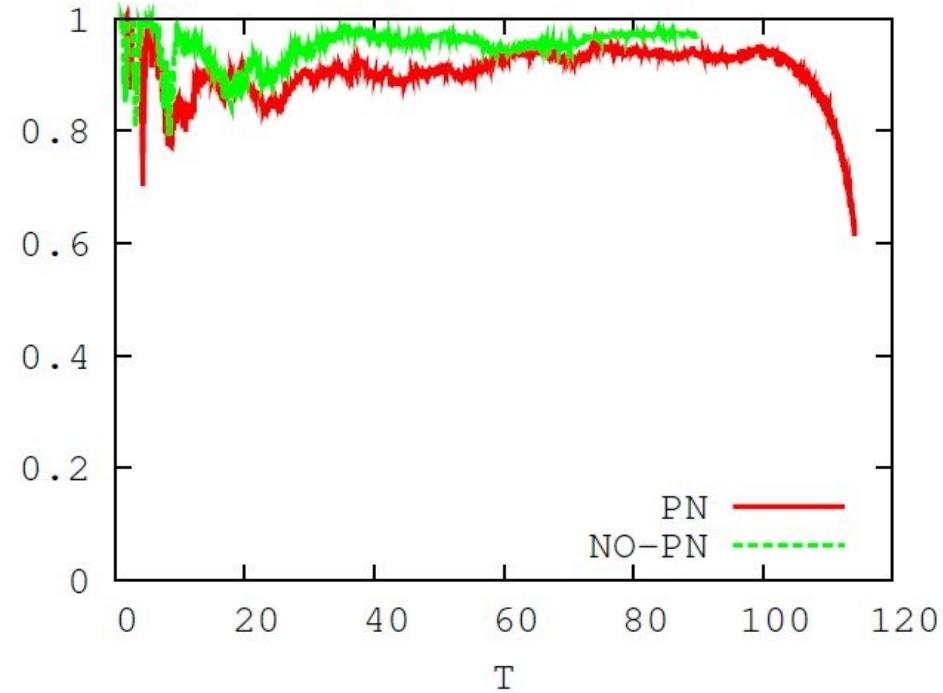


**Previous work:**  
 Berczik, Merritt, Spurzem, 2005, ApJ  
 Berczik, Merritt, Spurzem, Bischof,  
 2006, ApJ  
 Berentzen, Preto, Berczik, Merritt,  
 Spurzem, 2009, ApJ  
 Fiestas & Spurzem, 2010, 11 MNRAS  
 Amaro-Seoane, ..., Sp, MNRAS 2010  
 Preto, Berentzen, Berczik,  
 Spurzem et al. 2011, ApJ  
 Khan et al. 2011a, b, ApJ

FIG. 7.— Evolution of the inverse semi-major axis  $1/a$  (top) and eccentricity  $e$  (bottom) for model A2, with and without  $\mathcal{PN}$  terms. The horizontal lines represent the estimated semi-major axis of the SMBH binary for which the stellar dynamical hardening becomes equal to the  $\mathcal{PN}$  hardening derived from the run without  $\mathcal{PN}$  ( $a_0$ ) and with  $\mathcal{PN}$  ( $a_0 - \mathcal{PN}$ ). See main text for further details.

Time Scale for GR merger:  $t_{GR} \propto M^{-3}(1-e^2)^{7/2}$

Important for Background of Ultra-Low GR frequencies (LISA!)  $0.01\text{-}1 \mu\text{Hz}$



# Dynamics of Supermassive Single and Binary Black Holes in Galactic Nuclei

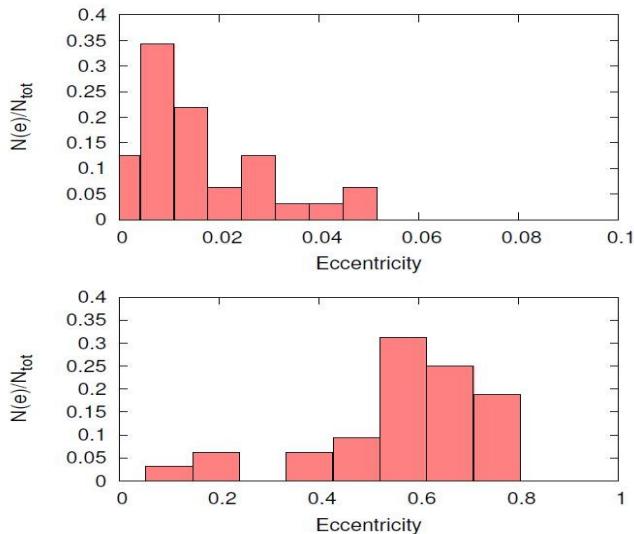
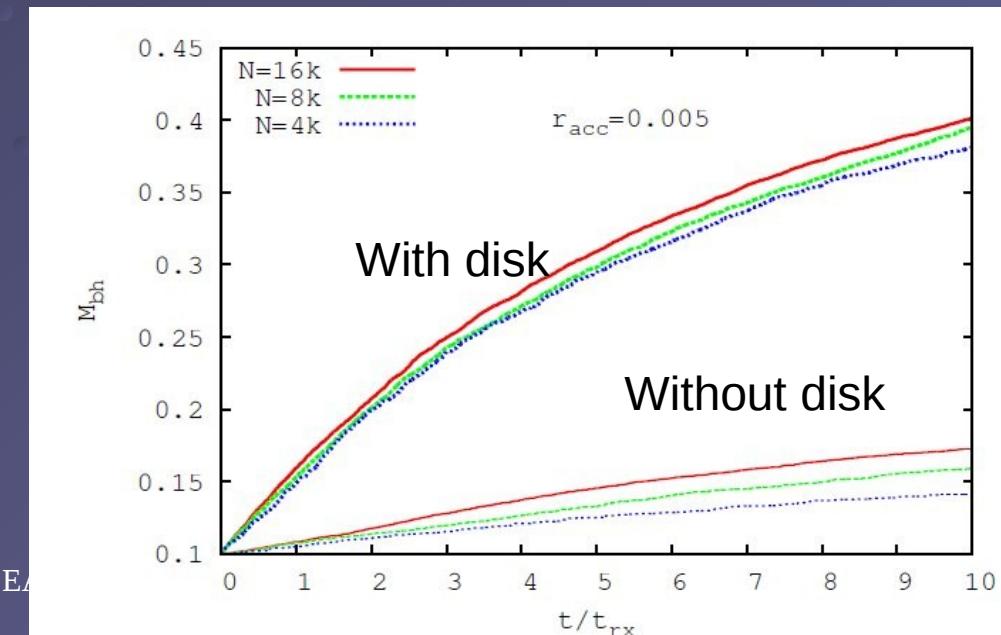


Figure on top: lower panel: eccentricity when supermassive binary black hole (SMBH) becomes bound. Upper panel: eccentricity shortly before Final relativistic merger. This is important to predict gravitational waveforms correctly.

Eccentricity Matters  
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**Preto, Berentzen, Berczik, Spurzem, 2011, ApJ**  
**Khan, Berentzen, Berczik, Just, Mayer, Nitadori, Callegari, 2012, ApJ**

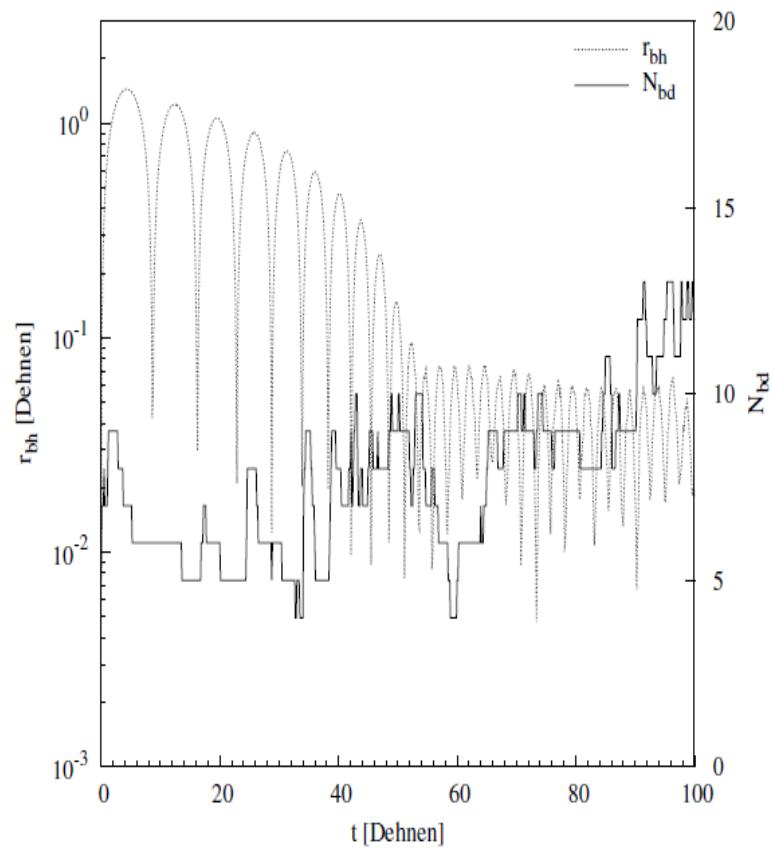
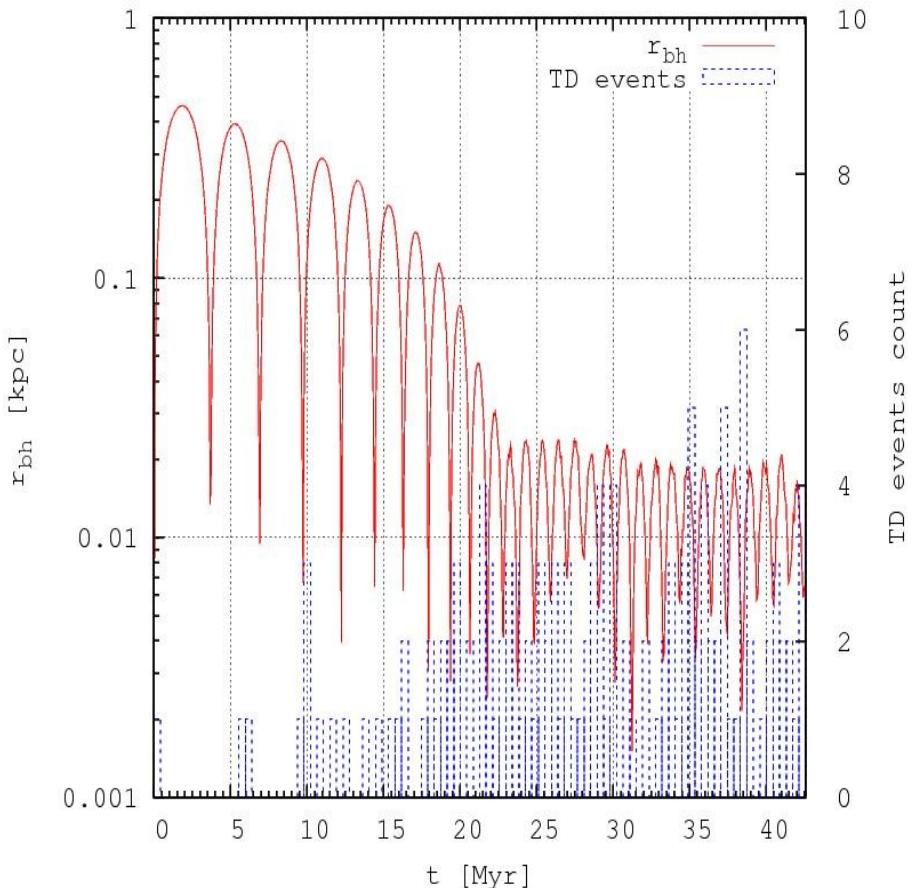
Figure below, from Just, ... Berczik, Spurzem, ..., 2012, ApJ

The presence of an accretion disk near an SMBH enhances the mass growth rate of SMBH by factor 3.



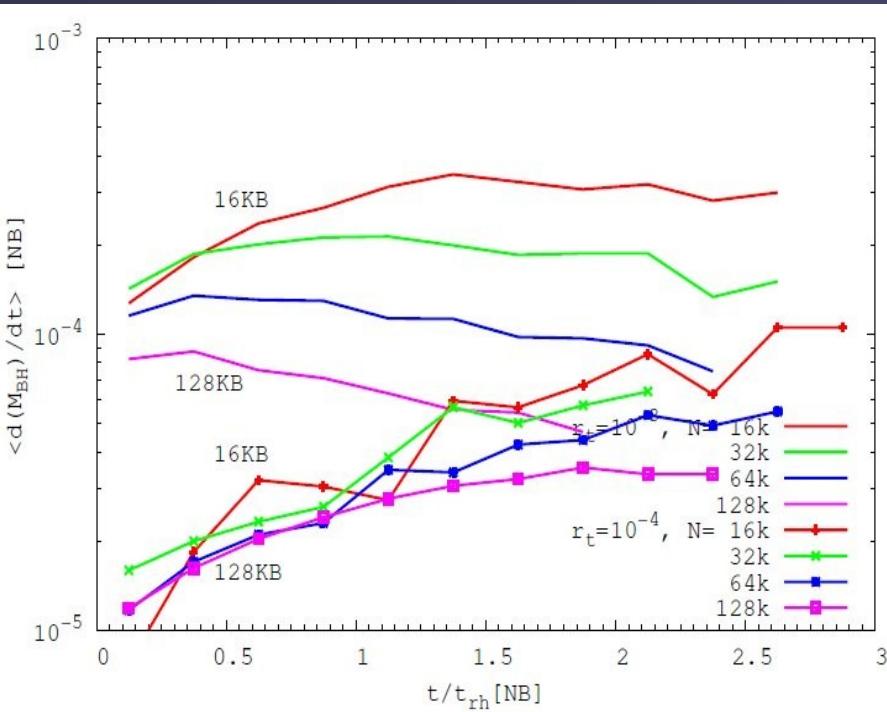
# Recoiling Black Hole after GR induced merger in galactic nucleus

Li, Liu, Berczik, Chen, Spurzem, ApJ 748, 65 (2012)



Direct N-Body Simulation ( $\phi$ GPU code), 250k particles; left: Phase 1: black hole oscillates in galactic center (red curve), phase 2: after 20 Myr back in center. Tidal Disruption rate of stars: low in phase 1, surges in phase 2 (blue boxes). TD = tidal disruption – X-ray signature EAMA<sub>2013</sub> Right: Ultracompact stellar system around Black hole, oder 10 stars tightly bound.

# Black Hole Growth by Tidal Accretion



Zhong, Berczik, Spurzem,  
Submitted ApJ 2013

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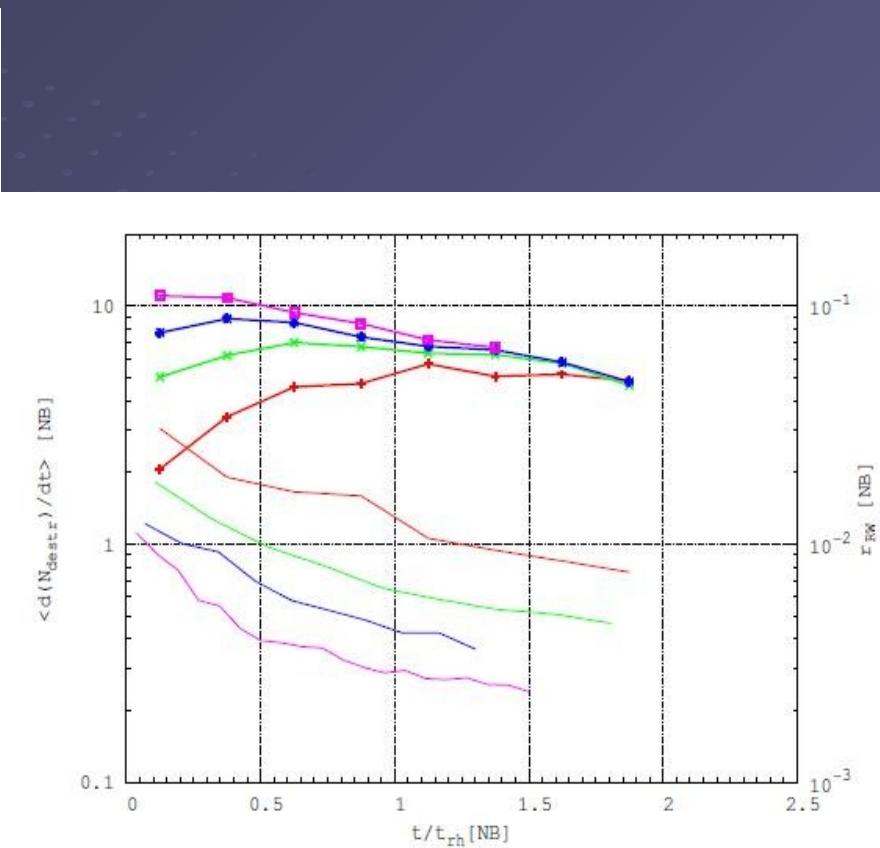


FIG. 2.—  $x$  axis is time expressed in unit of initial half-mass relaxation time( $t_{rh}$ ), left  $y$  axis is the averaged disruption rate in a given time range( i.e.  $1/4 t_{rh}$ ). The unit for disruption rate is number of disrupted stars per unit time. Right  $y$  axis is the Brownian motion amplitude. Curves with symbols are TD rate for  $r_t = 10^{-3}$ , from bottom to top, respond for  $N=16k, 32k, 64k$  and  $128k$ . Curves without symbols shows black hole's Brownian motion amplitude for  $N=16k, 32k, 64k$  and  $128k$ (from top to bottom)

# Post-Newtonian Dynamics

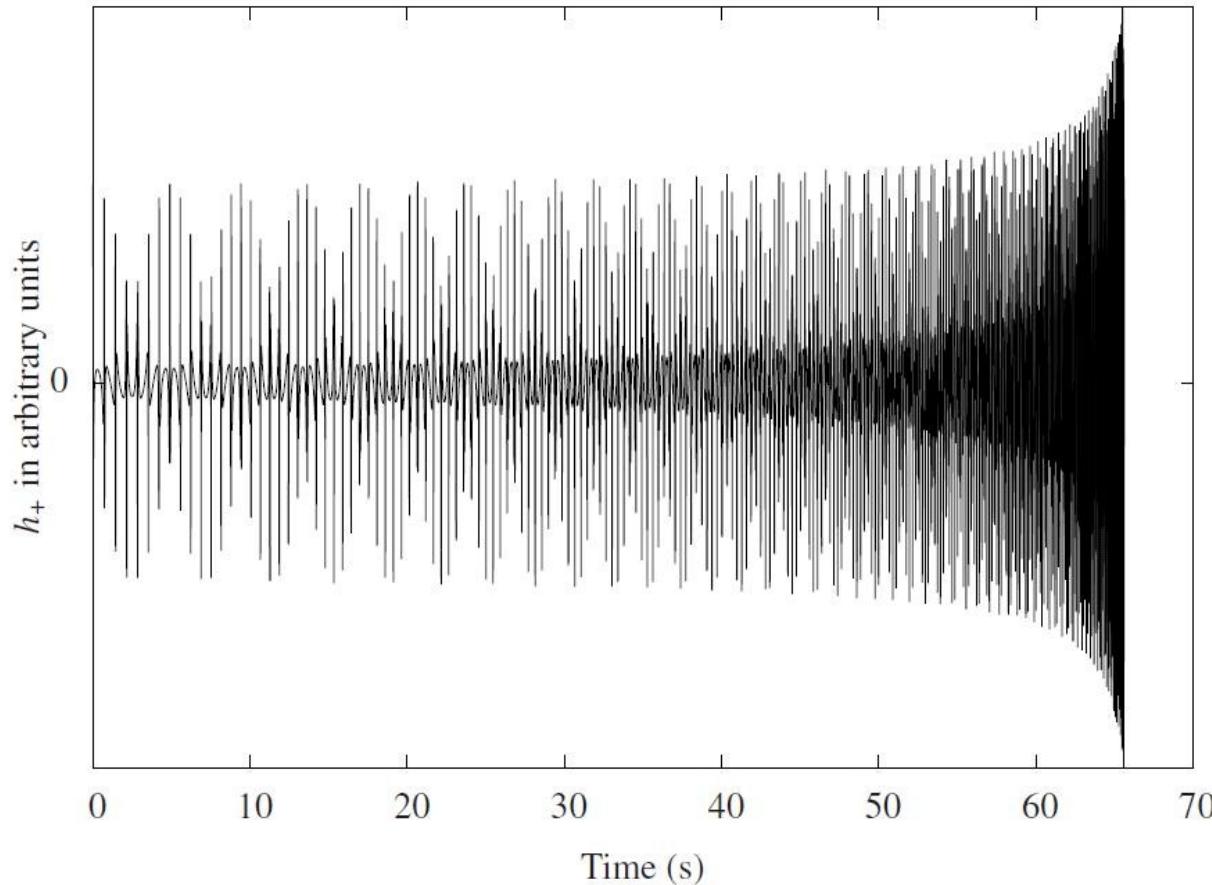


Figure 3.11: Waveform for two equal mass objects on an orbit with  $e = 0.5$ .

Plots of  $h+(t)$  showing 3 relevant time scales

Orbital evolution is NOT adiabatic (fully 3.5PN accurate)

Handle arbitrary eccentricities (P.Brem, R. Spurzem, Univ. Heidelberg)

# Post-Newtonian Dynamics Gravitational Wave Templates

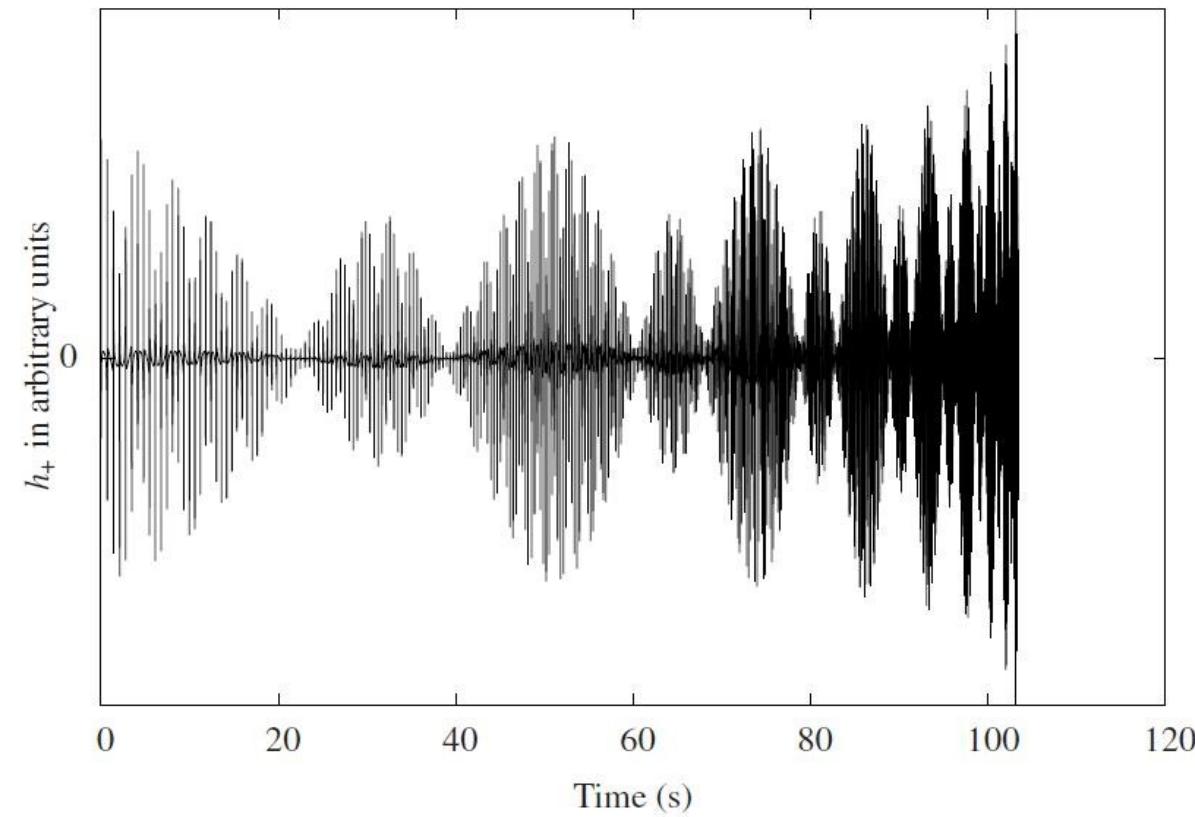
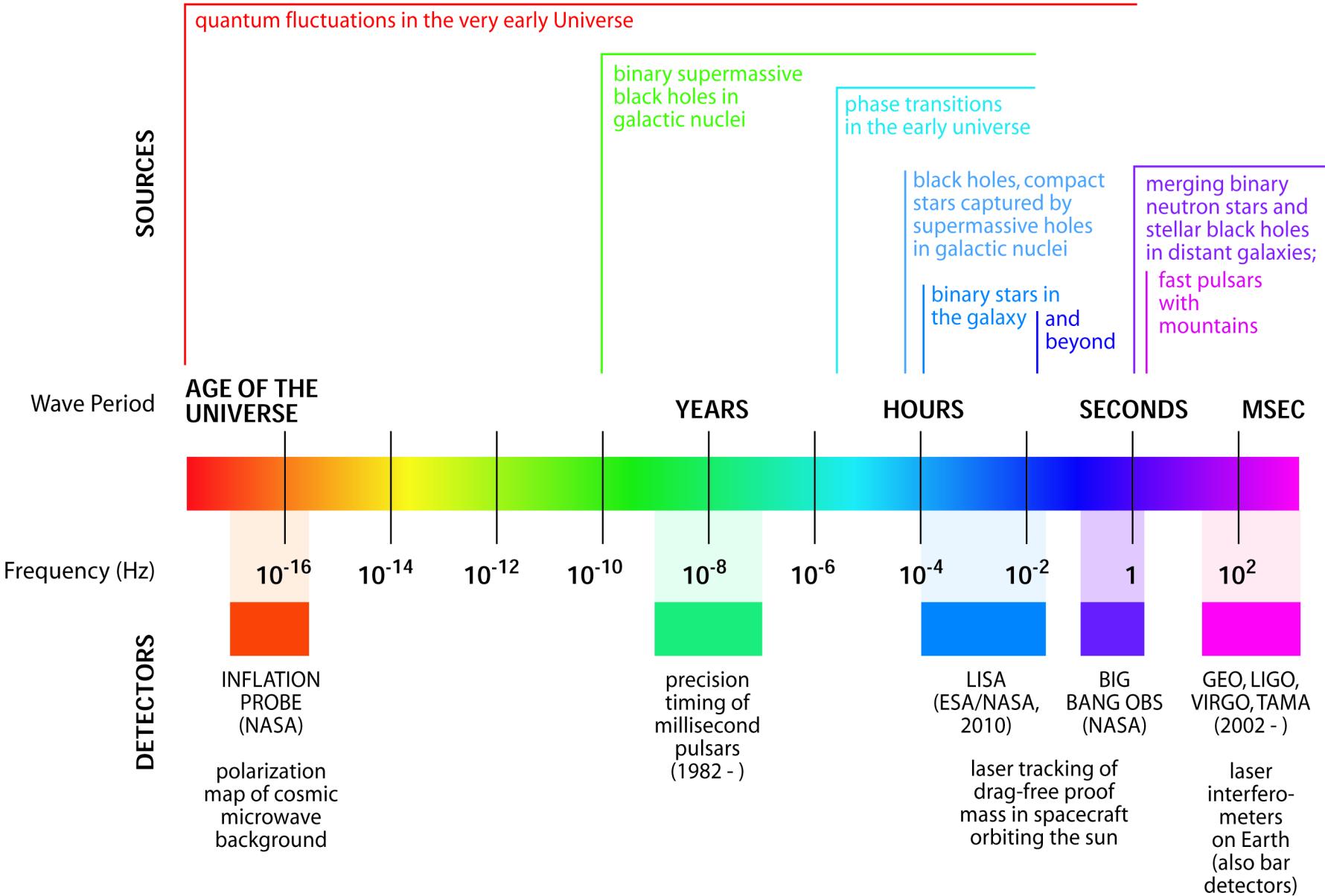


Figure 3.12: Waveform for two objects with a mass ratio of  $q = 1/10$  on an orbit with  $e = 0.5$  and spins  $a_{1,x} = 1.0$ ,  $a_{2,y} = 1.0$ .

Handle spin-orbit and spin-spin coupling (P.Brem, R. Spurzem, Univ. Heidelberg)

# THE GRAVITATIONAL WAVE SPECTRUM

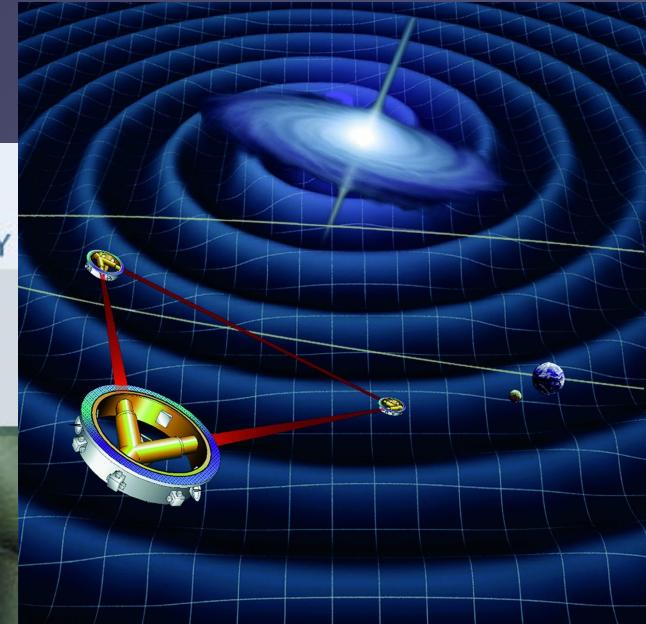


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VIRGO Detector in Cascina near Pisa, Italy

Consortium of

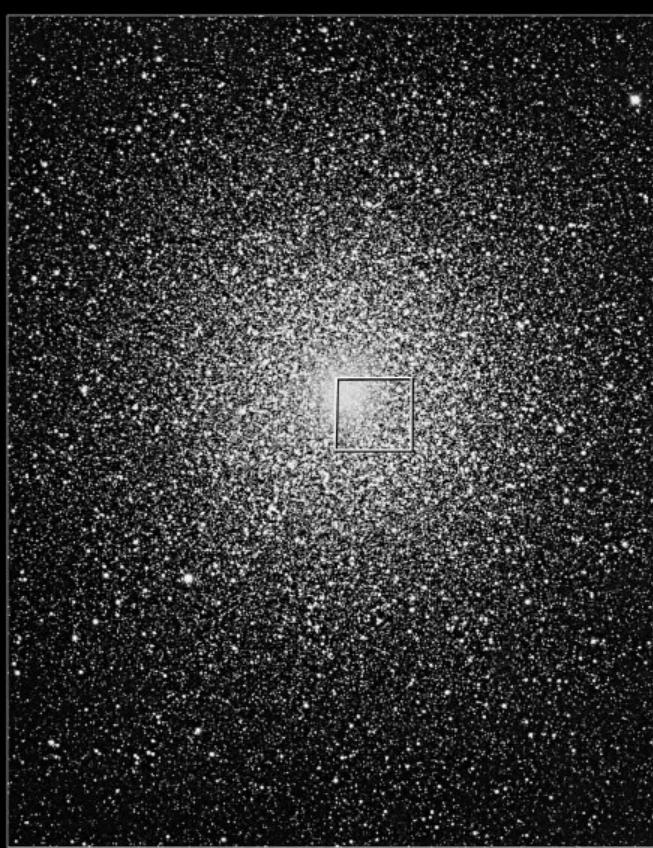


LISA =  
Laser Space  
Interferometer Antenna



# Globular Cluster 47 Tucanae

$$\vec{a}_0 = \sum_j G m_j \frac{\vec{R}_j}{R_j^3} \quad ; \quad \vec{a}_0 = \sum_j G m_j \left[ \frac{\vec{V}_j}{R_j^3} - \frac{3(\vec{V}_j \cdot \vec{R}_j)\vec{R}_j}{R_j^5} \right]$$

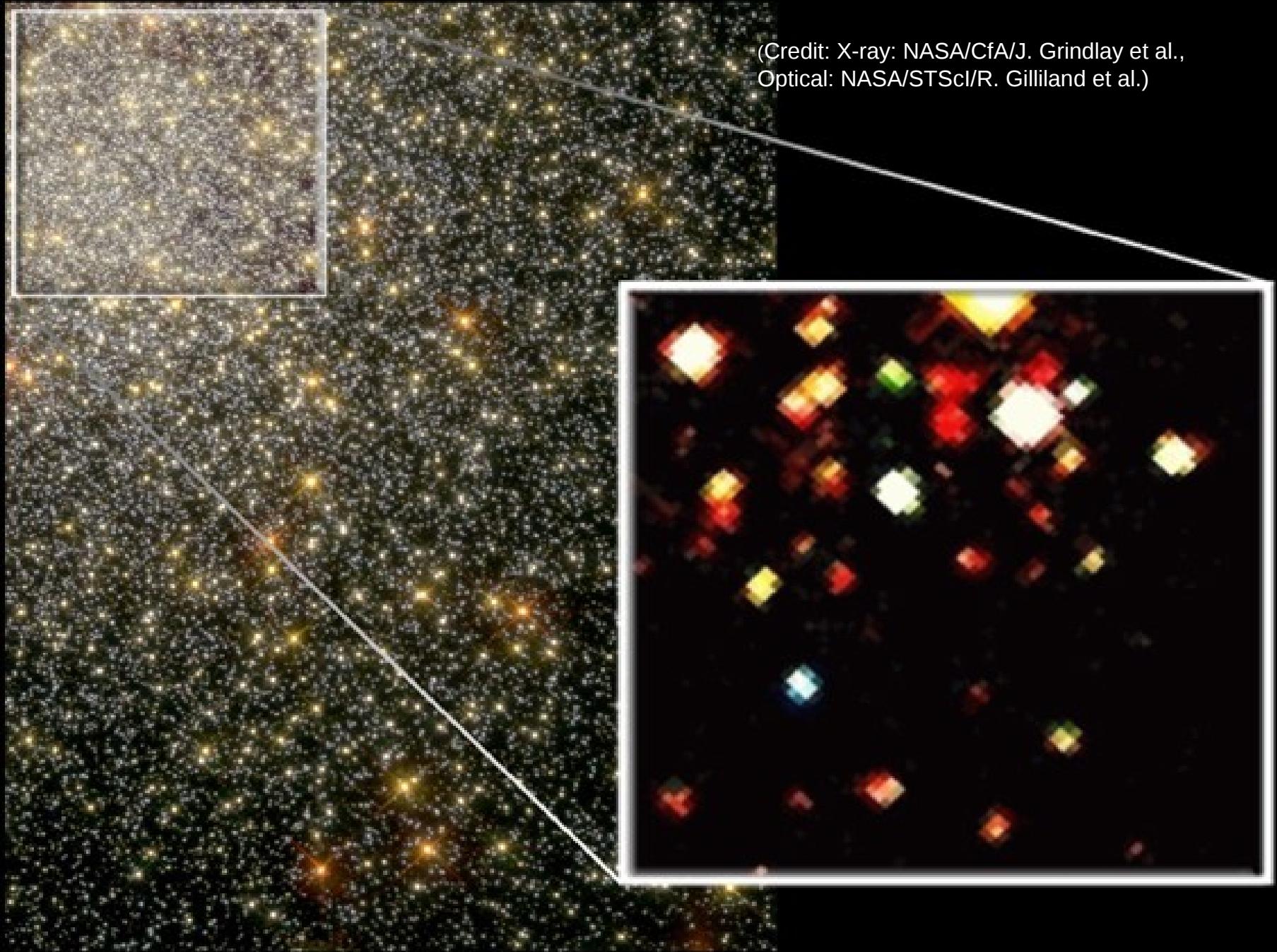


Ground • AAT

NASA and R. Gilliland (STScI)  
STScI-PRC00-33



Hubble Space Telescope • WFPC2



(Credit: X-ray: NASA/CfA/J. Grindlay et al.,  
Optical: NASA/STScI/R. Gilliland et al.)

# Compact Binaries in Star Clusters I - Black Hole Binaries Inside Globular Clusters

MNRAS 2010

J. M. B. Downing<sup>3\*</sup>, M. Benacquista<sup>4</sup>, R. Spurzem<sup>1,2,3</sup>, and M. Giersz<sup>5</sup>

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# Compact Binaries in Star Clusters II - Escapers and Detection Rates

MNRAS 2011

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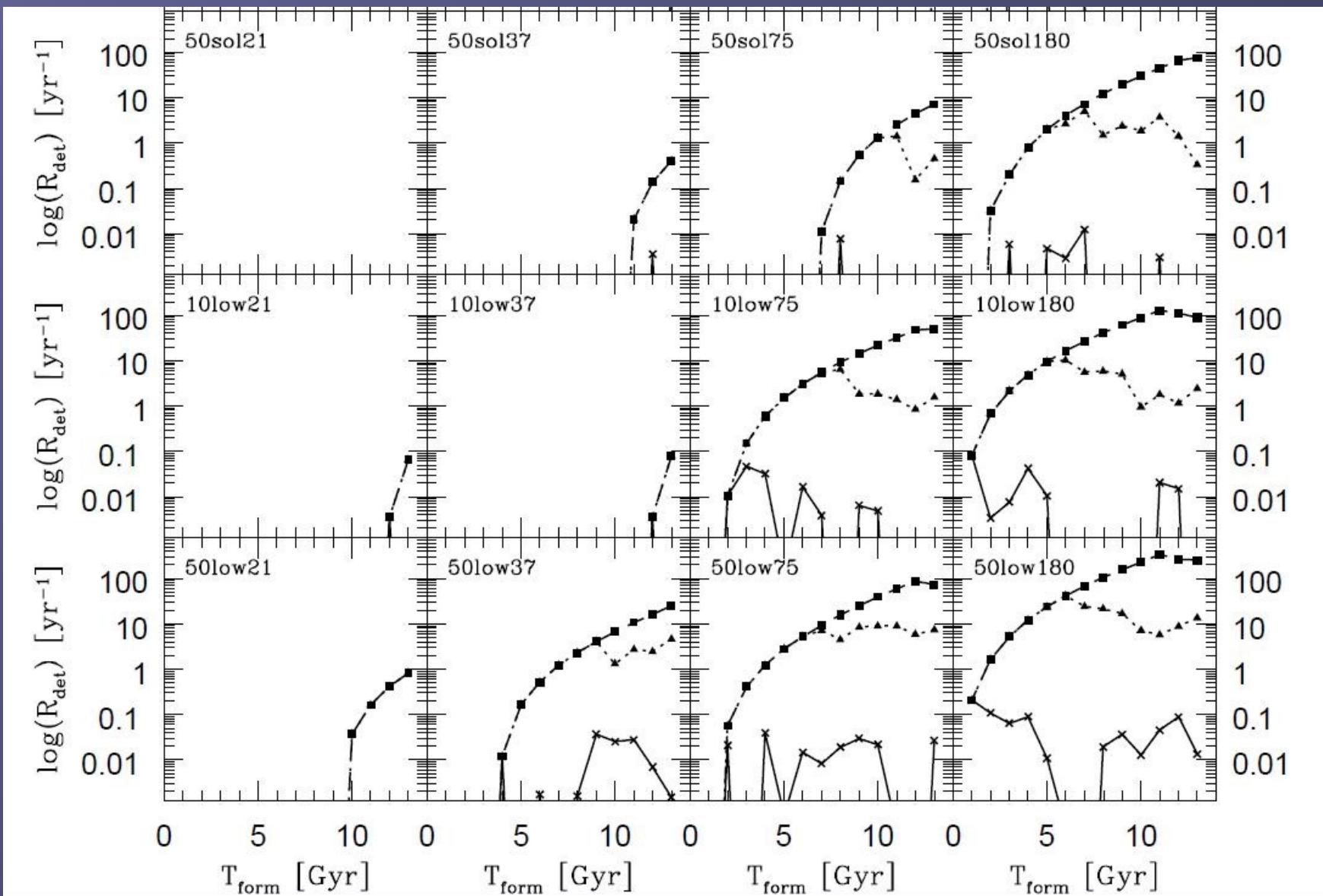
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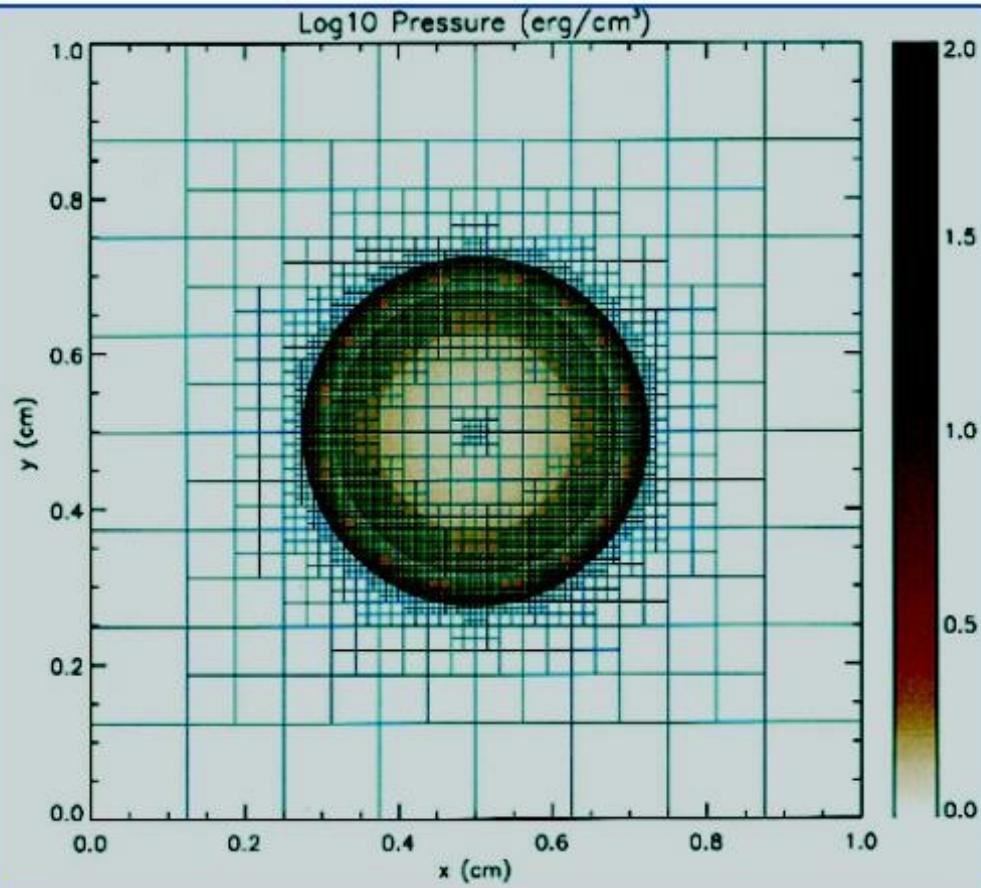
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# Hydrodynamics on a grid



$$\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \rho v = 0 ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho v}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \rho v v + \nabla P = \rho g ,$$

$$\frac{\partial \rho E}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho E + P)v = \rho v \cdot g ,$$

$$E = \epsilon + \frac{1}{2}v^2 ,$$

$$P = (\gamma - 1)\rho\epsilon ,$$



# GAMER – Adaptive Mesh Refinement with many GPU's on Beijing GPU cluster, Schive et al. 2010 (ApJS), Schive, Shukla et al. SC11

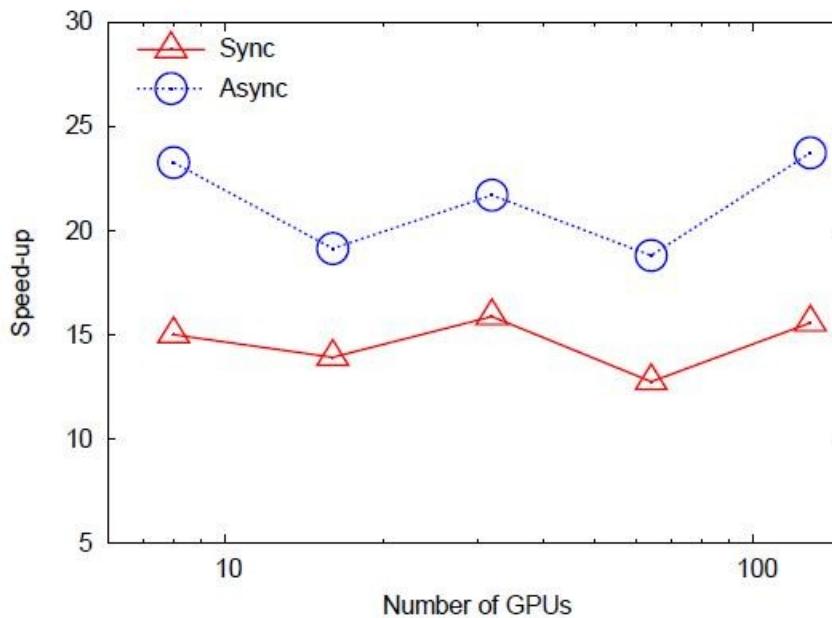


Fig. 1.— Performance speed-up as a function of the number of GPUs/CPUs. For each data point, we compare the performance by using the same number of GPUs and CPU cores. The blue circles and red triangles show the timing results with and without the concurrent execution between CPUs and GPUs, respectively. The speed-up achieved in the 128-GPU run is 23.7x.

Some simulation details:

- (1) Root-level resolution :  $256^3$
- (2) Number of refinement levels : 7
- (3) Highest effective resolution :  $32,768^3$
- (4) Total memory consumption :  $\sim 100$  GB
- (5) Total number of grids :  $\sim 1.8 * 10^9$
- (6) Number of GPUs/CPU cores : 8, 16, 32, 64, 128

# Other ongoing projects

Radio Astronomy: Chen Xuelei, Tian Haijun

Galaxy Merger: Yan Yanbin

Shangfei Liu, Doug Lin: Debris Disks around Planets

Gareth Kennedy, et al.: Star-Disk interactions in AGN

Pang Xiaoying, Christoph Olczak, w. GALEV team, Arches cluster

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Visualization Project with SC-CNIC/CAS

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See monthly reports of Li Changhua in

[http://cic.bao.ac.cn/?page\\_id=198](http://cic.bao.ac.cn/?page_id=198)

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Interested Users contact: [laohu\\_admin@nao.cas.cn](mailto:laohu_admin@nao.cas.cn)  
(Chinese/English)

It is Li Changhua, Peter Berczik, Li Shuo, Rainer Spurzem

# ICCS Invitation

<http://iccs.lbl.gov>

## Founding Members:

NAOC, NACC (Nagasaki)

LBNL, Heidelberg

Contact with KIAS, ...

## Building International Community

Invitation to join at different level:

- (I) Provide hardware access and support for green network of GPU clusters  
(currently Berkeley dirac, Heidelberg titan, Beijing laohu,  
Nagasaki dejima invited)
- (II) Take part in individual collaborations, community building by bridging the disciplines, contribute to database of benchmarks and tools, workshops, publications
- \* (III) Take part in Technical Working Groups

## Education and Outreach

### Invitation to 3<sup>rd</sup> ICCS School and Workshop

Stanford 2010, Berkeley 2011, Beijing, NAOC, 2012

next workshop to be decided spring 2014 (Germany, Japan, Korea, US?)



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# Summary

- Astrophysical High Precision N-Body -  
Ready for million core and Exascale (also other apps.)
- Community forms along extended Silk Road  
Physics/Astrophysics/Accelerators ICCS  
Schools and Workshops (Stanford 2010, Berkeley 2011, Beijing 2012, ...) <http://iccs.lbl.gov>  
Technical Working Groups (-> need more life)  
Benchmarks (-> better than top500?)
- Astrophysical Science Drivers:  
Gravitational Waves from Distant Black Holes  
Is Einstein right? Do spinning black holes exist?  
Electromagnetic radiation follow-up to GW?  
Current resolution (million bodies) not enough...  
Basic Science...



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