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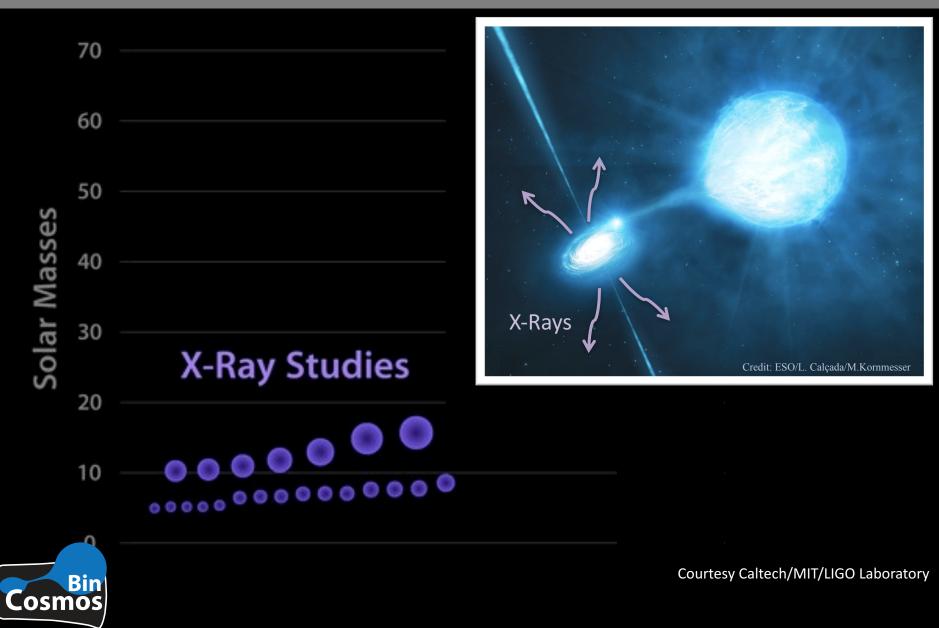
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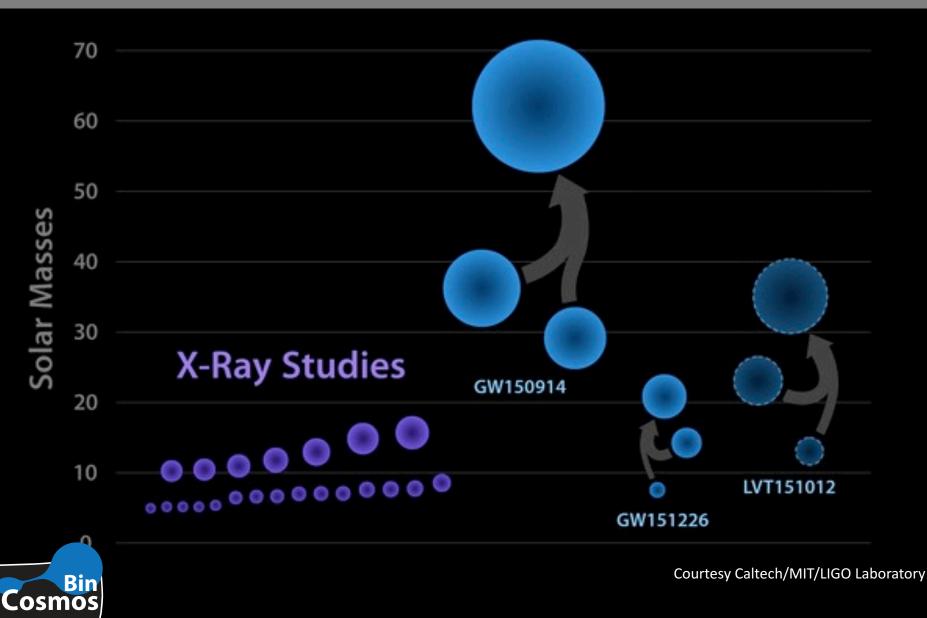
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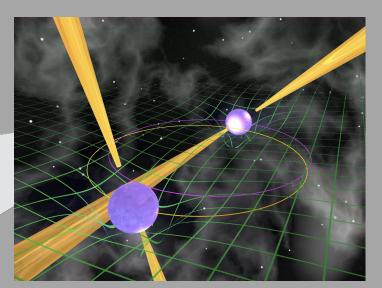


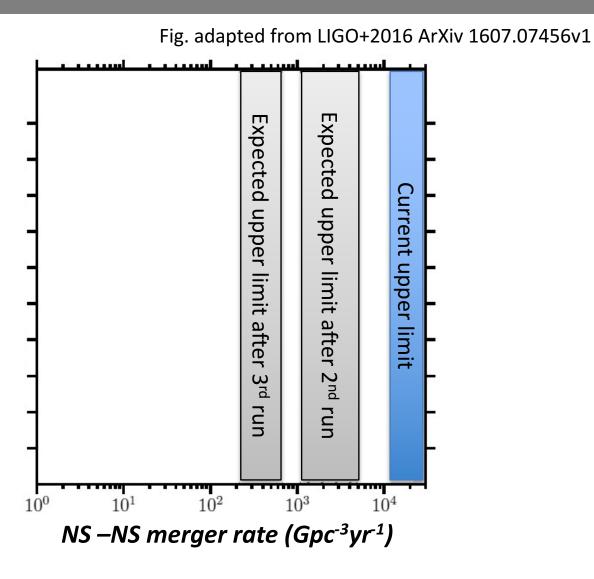
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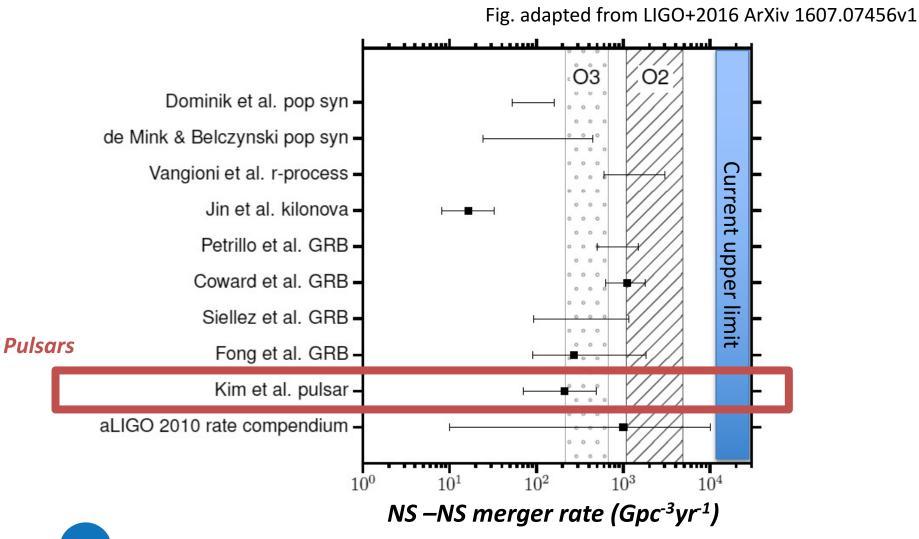


## We weren't even really\* expecting a binary black hole

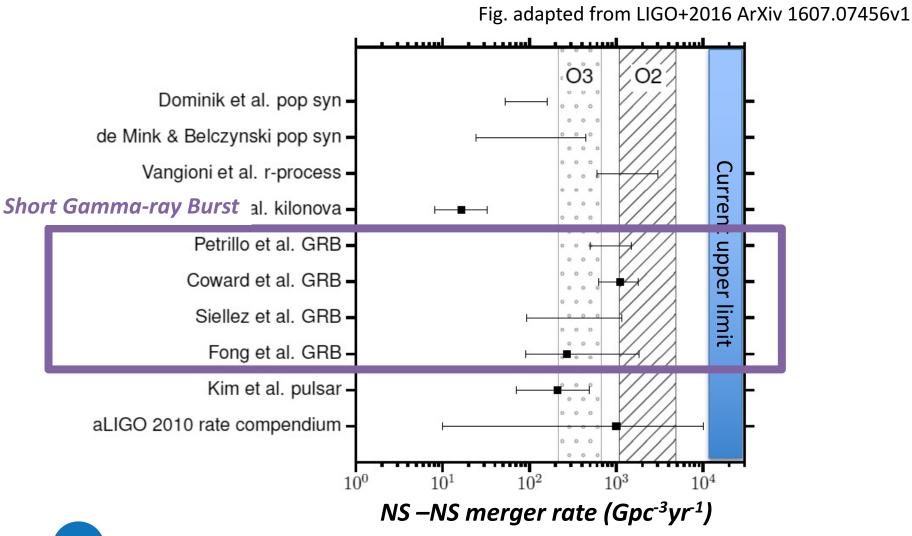




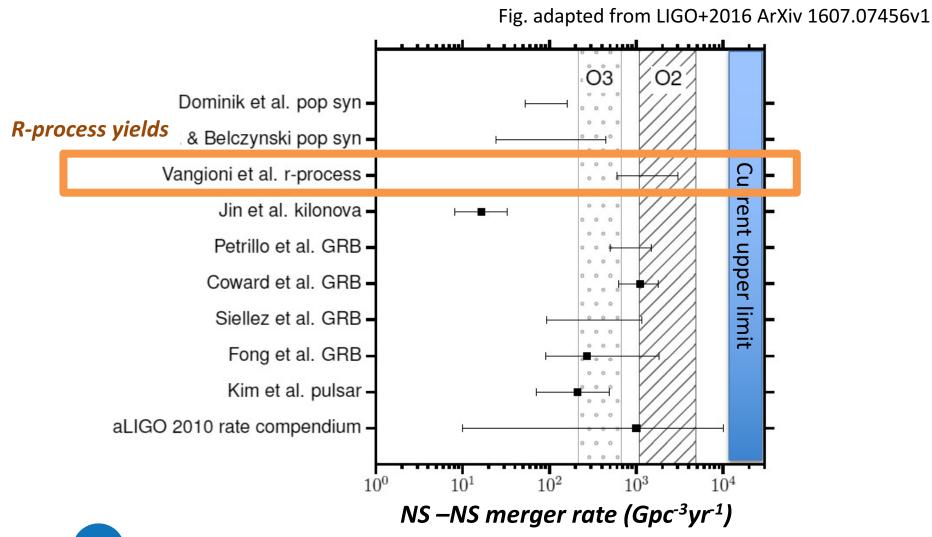














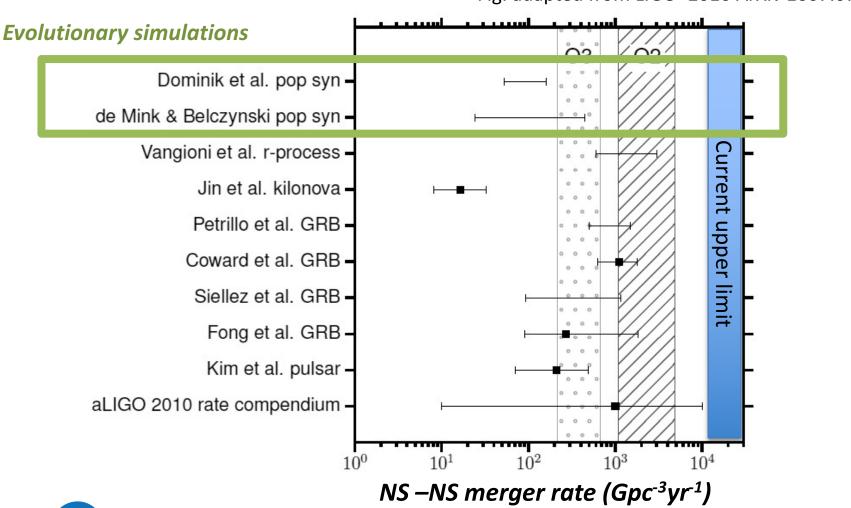
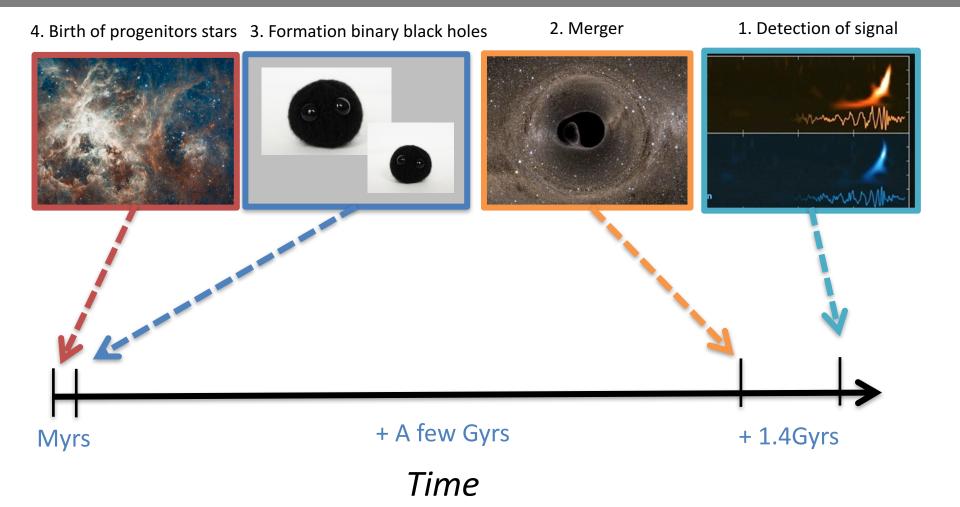


Fig. adapted from LIGO+2016 ArXiv 1607.07456v1

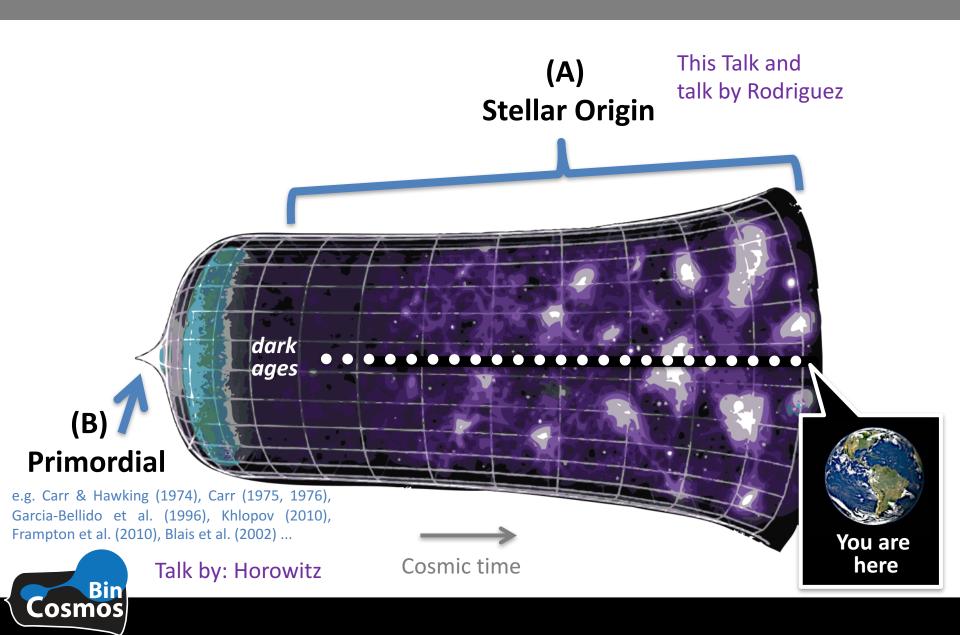


## How, When, Where?

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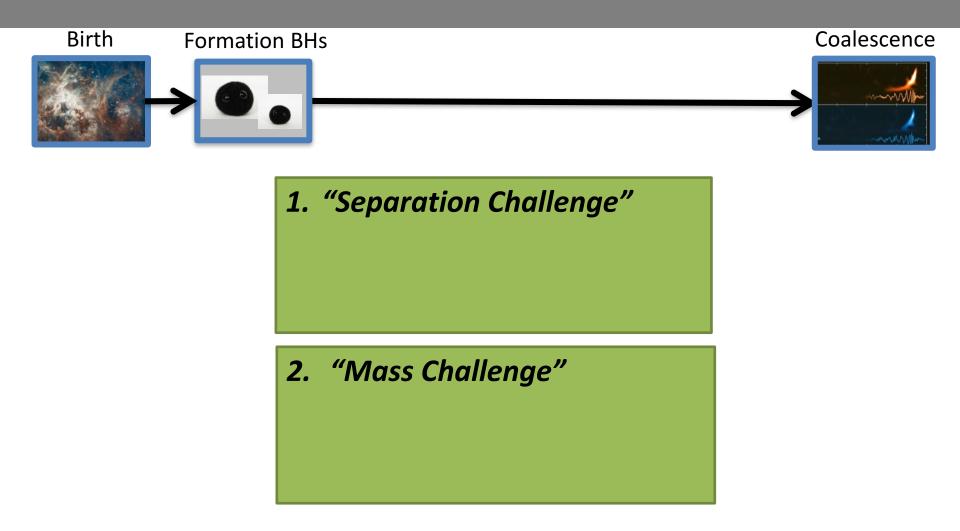




## **Two Main Challenges**

## for all progenitor scenarios

## **Progenitors**

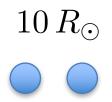




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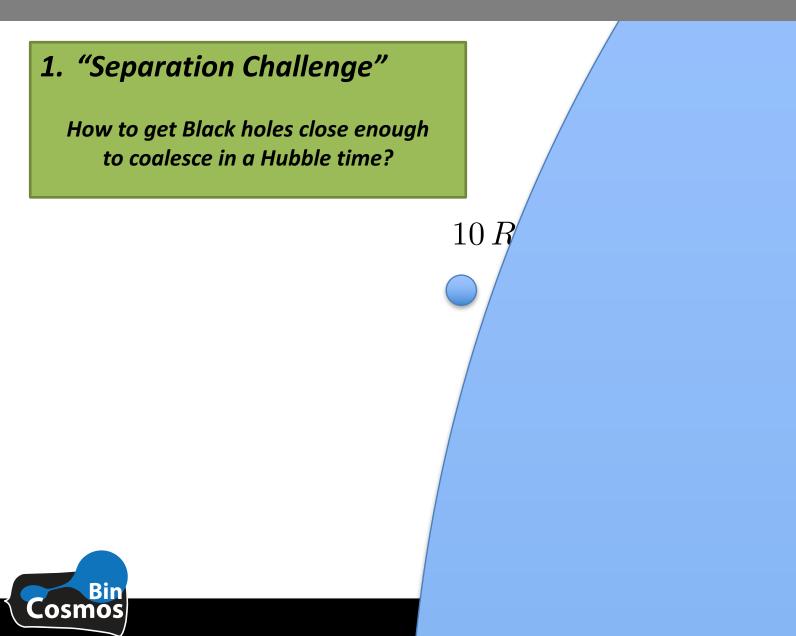
#### 1. "Separation Challenge"

How to get Black holes close enough to coalesce in a Hubble time?

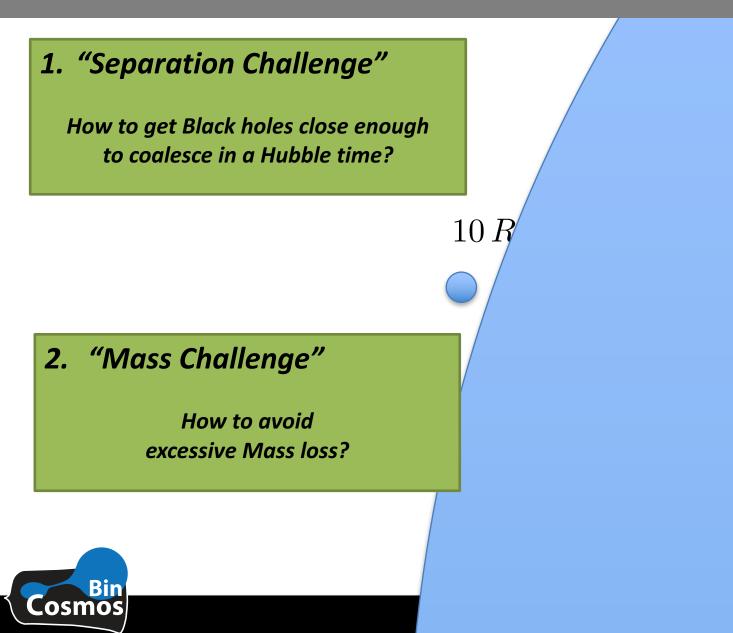




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# **Formation Channels**

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# 1. Evolutionary formation channels

# 2. Dynamical formation channels





#### Stellar Density



## **Two types of Formation Channels**

# 1. Evolutionary formation channels

- Classical channels

   (involving a common envelope or other highly non-conservative mass transfer)
- Chemically Homogeneous Channel (mixing processes in near contact binaries)
- ✓ Hybrid channels & Pop III stars ...

# 2. Dynamical formation channels

- ✓ Chaotic Dynamics in dense Star
   Clusters or Nuclear star clusters
- ✓ Resonances in Triple systems
- ✓ Gaseous AGN discs near supermassive black holes in centers of galaxies

✓ ...

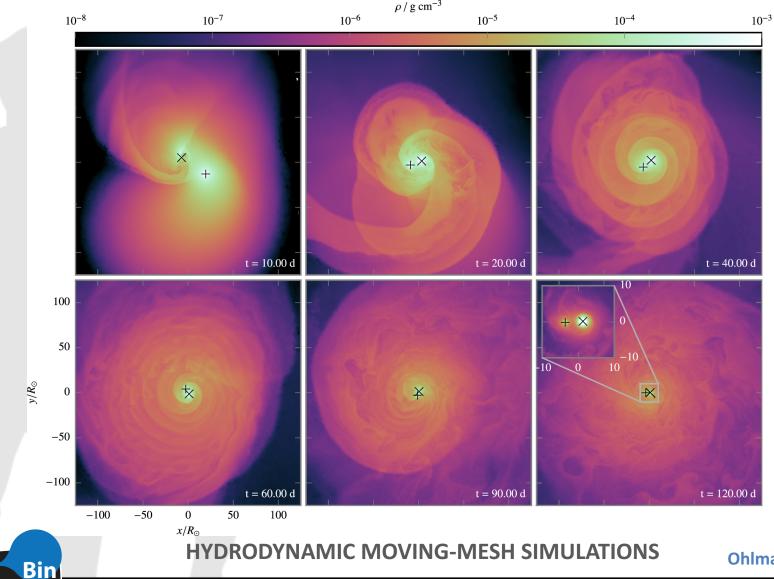


# (1 a) Classic Common Envelope Channel

Tutukov & Yungelson 1973, 1993; Lipunov, Postnov & Prokhorov (1997), Bethe & Brown (1998), Bloom, Sigurdsson & Pols (1999), De Donder & Vanbeveren (2004), Grishchuk et al. (2001), Nelemans (2003), Voss & Tauris (2003), Pfahl, Podsiadlowski & Rappaport (2005), Dewi, Podsiadlowski & Sena (2006), Kalogera et al. 2007; O'Shaughnessy et al. (2008), Mennekens & Vanbeveren (2014), Dominik et al. (2015), de Mink & Belczynski (2015), Belczynski et al. 2016, , Kruckow et al. (2016)...



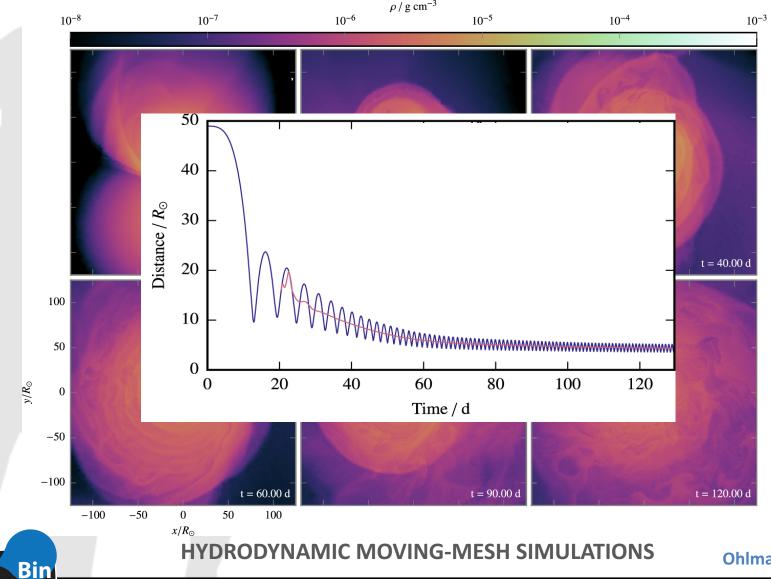
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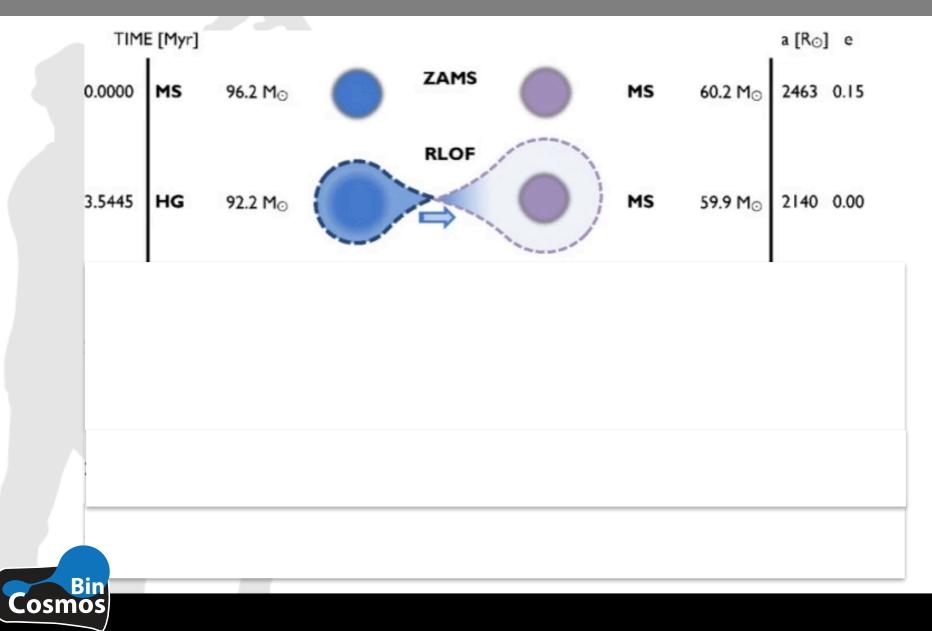
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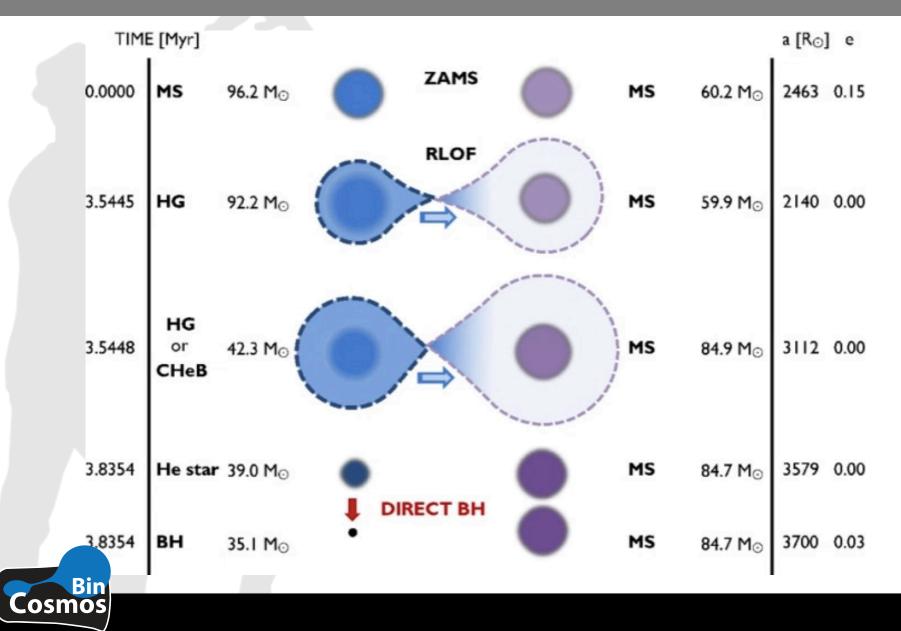
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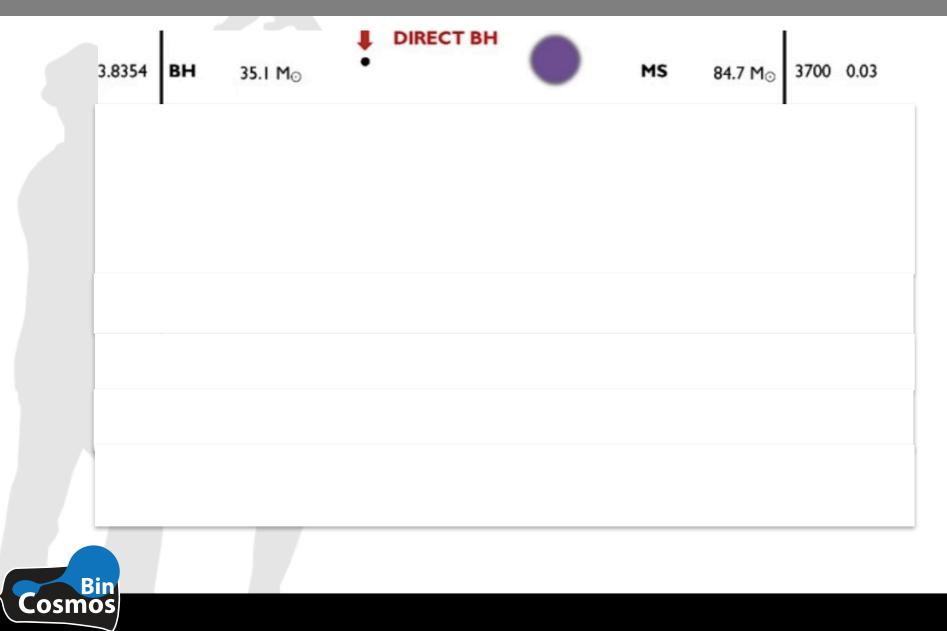
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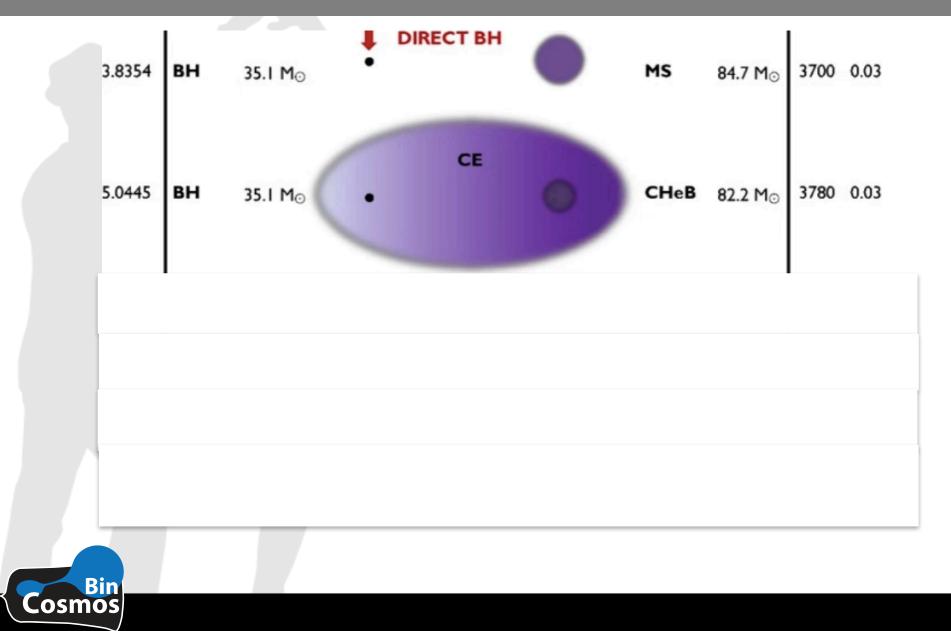
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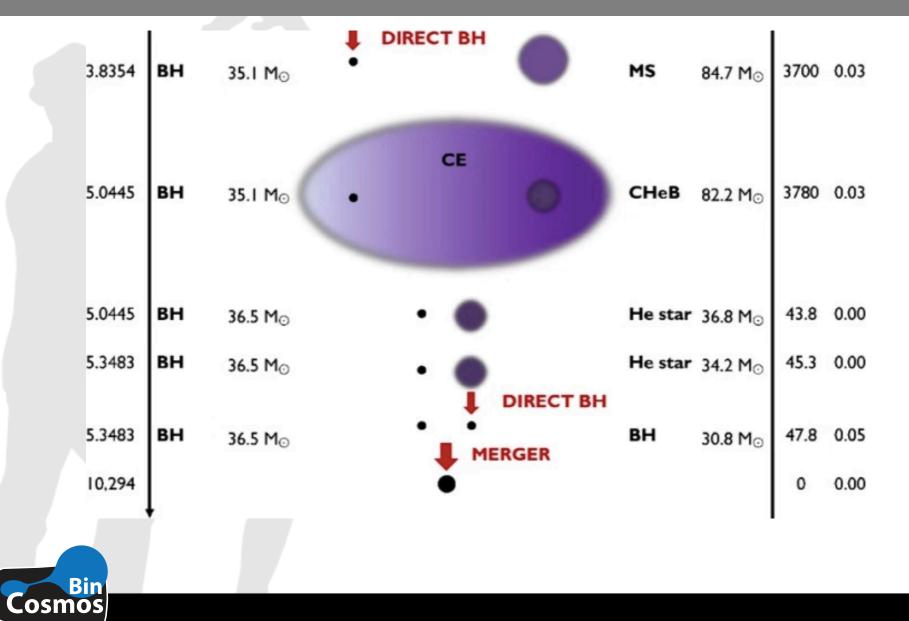
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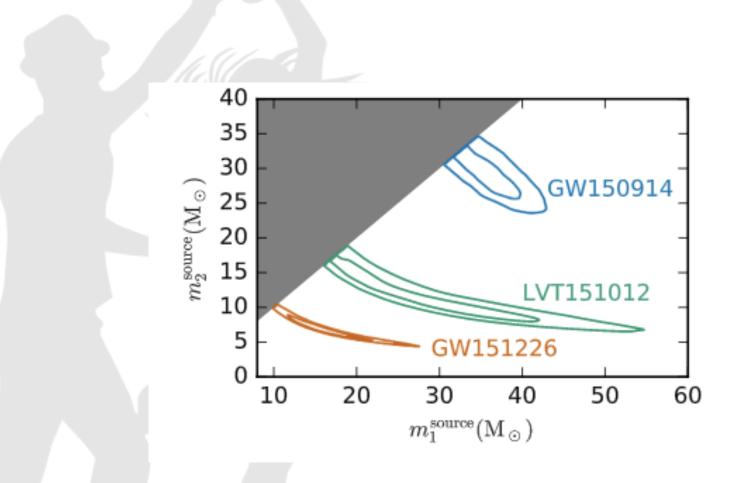
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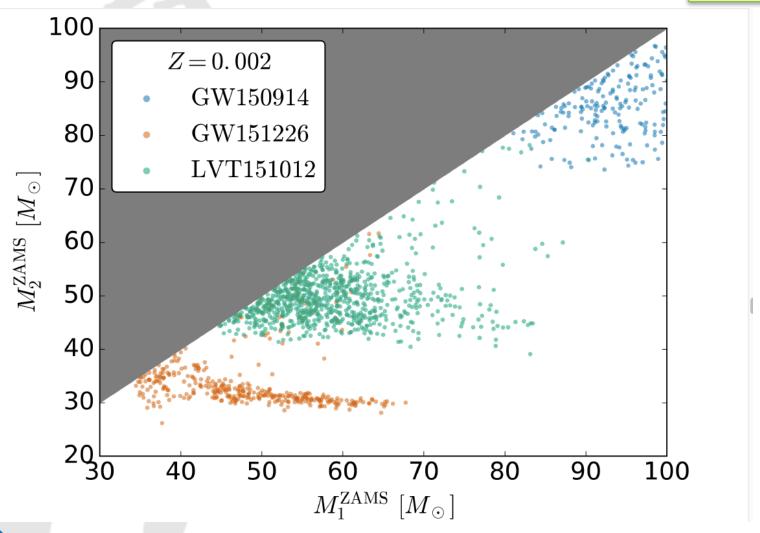


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Stevenson, Vigna-Gomez, Mandel, Perkins, Barrett, de Mink (2017)

# (1.b)

# Chemically Homogeneous Channel

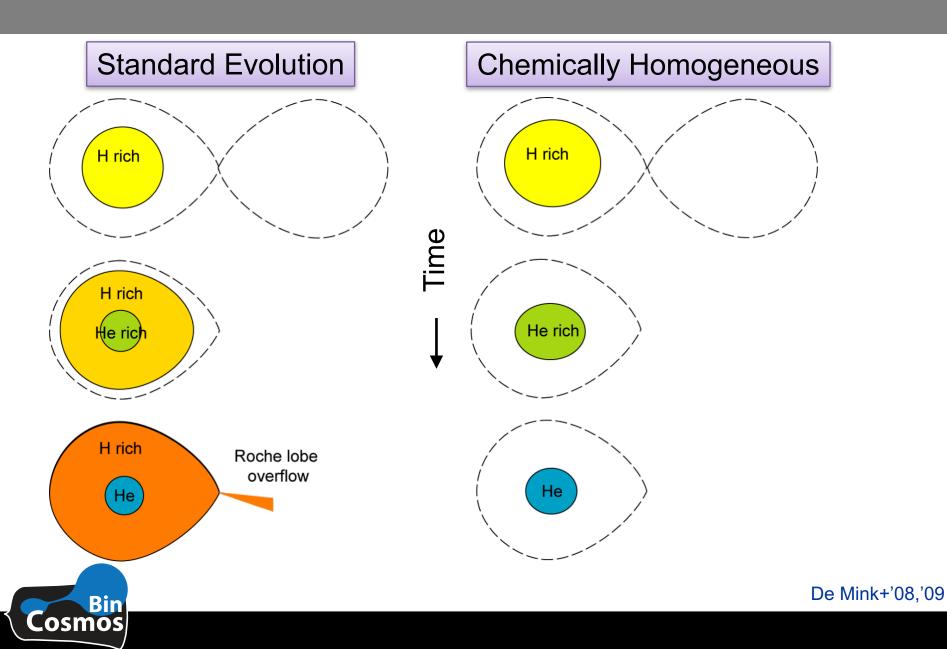
(Other names: Case M, Tidal mixing channel, Massive Overcontact Binary Channel)

de Mink et al. (2008, 2009), Mandel & de Mink (2016), Song et al. 2016; Marchant et al. (2016), de Mink & Mandel (2016), Marchant et al. (subm.)



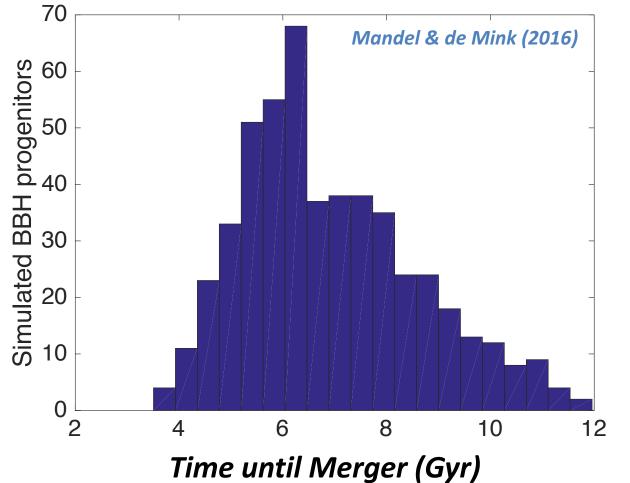
Almeida, Sana, de Mink et al. (2015) Image Credit:ESO/L. Calçada





## Do they merge within a Hubble time?

Yes.

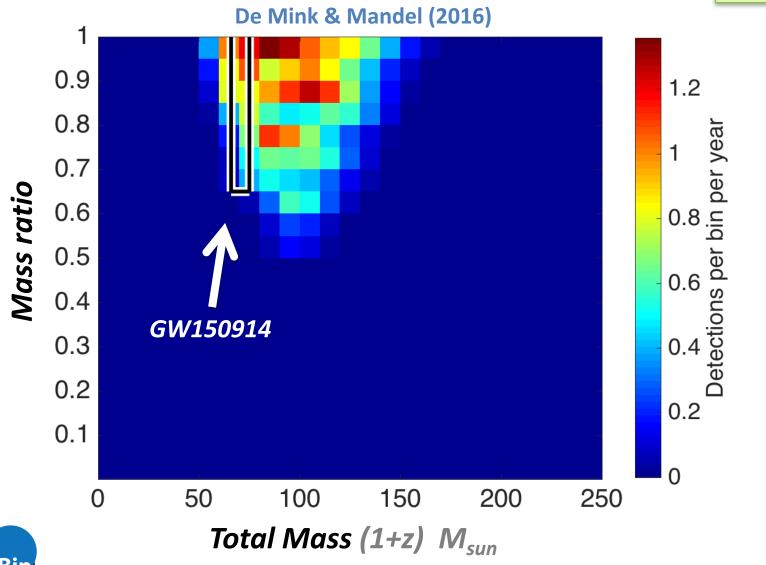


cf. de Mink & Mandel (2016) Marchant et al. (2016)



## **Can it reproduce high masses?**

Yes\*



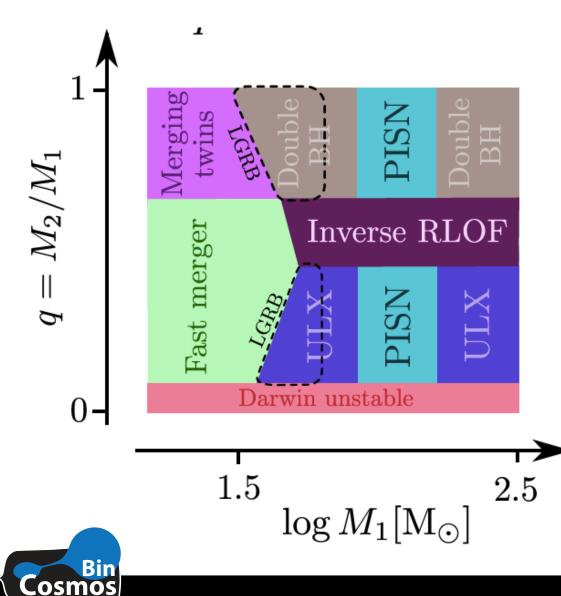


## How to proceed from here?

# Homework for (Evolutionary) Theorists



## Astrophysical "side products"



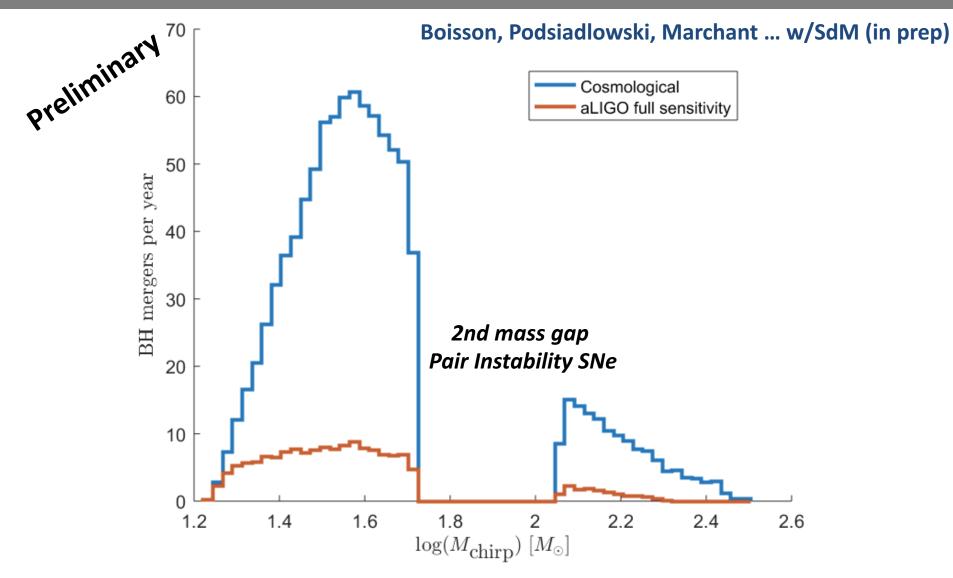
#### Marchant, ... w/SdM (2017, subm.)

Independent observational constraints from EM observations of side products:

- Pair Instability Supernova
- Ultra Luminous X-ray sources
- Contact binaries
- Merger events



# We need to understand the predicted demographics of the Black Holes



## Are BH-BH mergers really dark? EM counterparts

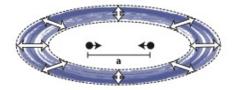
#### De Mink & King (2017)

**Timescale:** Hours after GW event **Assumption**: Needs disk 10<sup>-3</sup> M<sub>bin</sub> **Signal:** 10<sup>42</sup> erg/s, medium energy Xrays extending to longer wavelengths

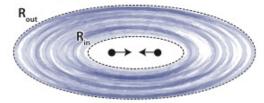
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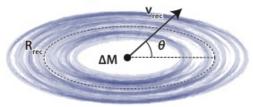
 Slow orbital decay: t<sub>gw</sub>≫t<sub>visc</sub> resonant torques & viscous spreading



2. Fast orbital decay:  $t_{gw} \ll t_{visc}$  decoupling of the disk



 Merger and recoil: sudden rearrangement of the disk





## **Summary**

#### How did they form?

- Separation Challenge & Mass challenge
- Stellar origin vs Primordial origin
  - Evolutionary scenarios vs Dynamical scenarios
    - **Classic:** Common Envelope
    - New: Homogeneous Evolution channel

**New results** 

- **By products**: Pair Instability SN, ULXs)
- BH merger demographics: (Mass gap)
- EM Counter parts:

Hours after GW event from circumbinary disk responding to recoil, if present Caveat: Very Large Uncertainties.



Teaser: Review for Annual Review in A&A in prep.

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