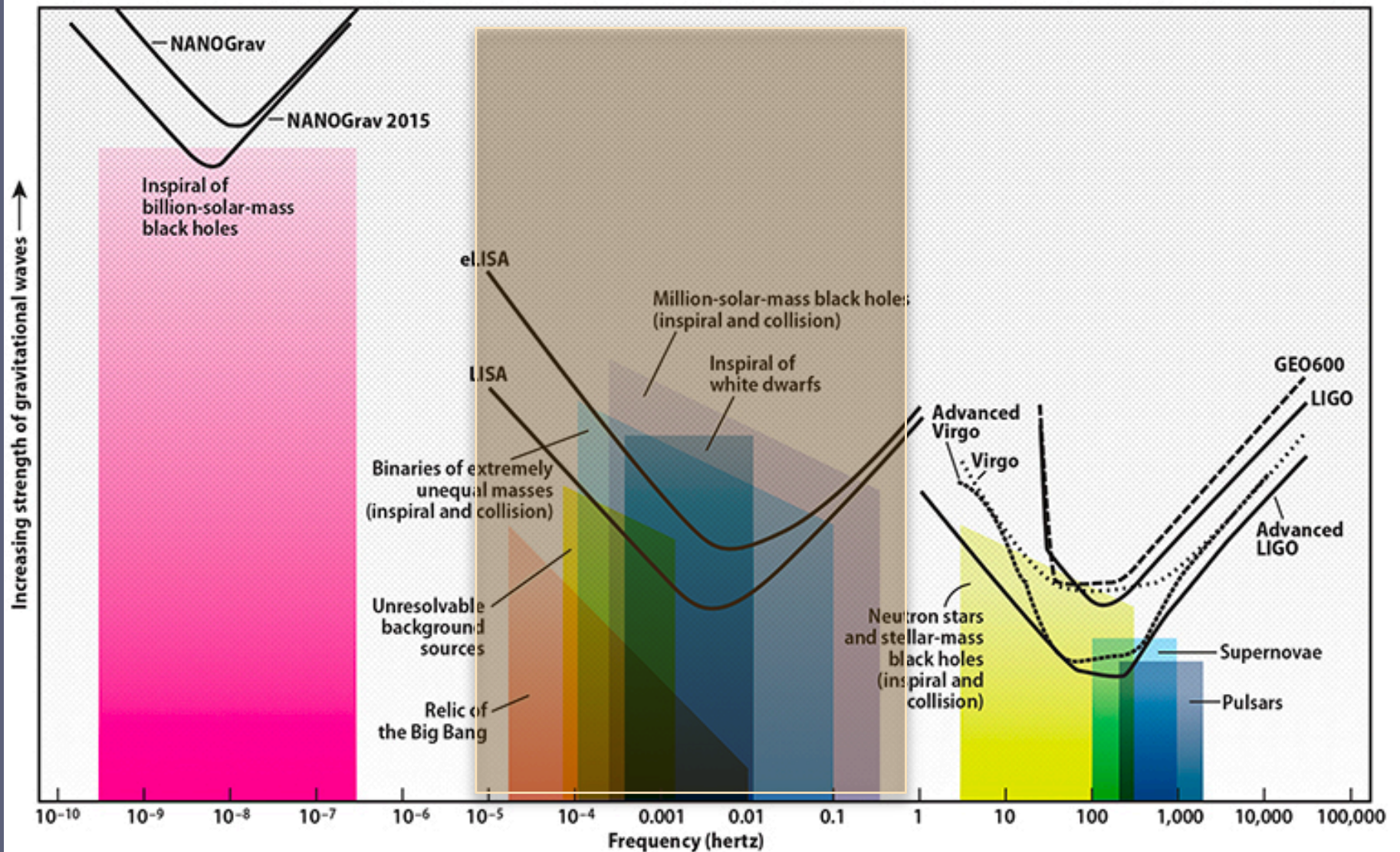


# Synergies between LISA and the Rubin Observatory Legacy Survey of Space and Time (LSST)

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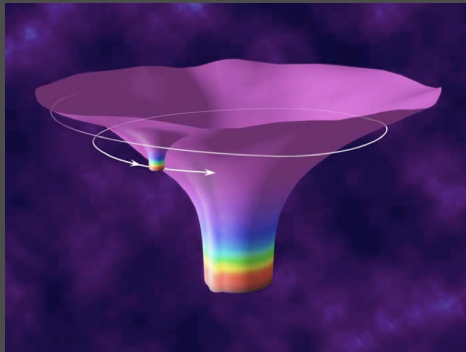
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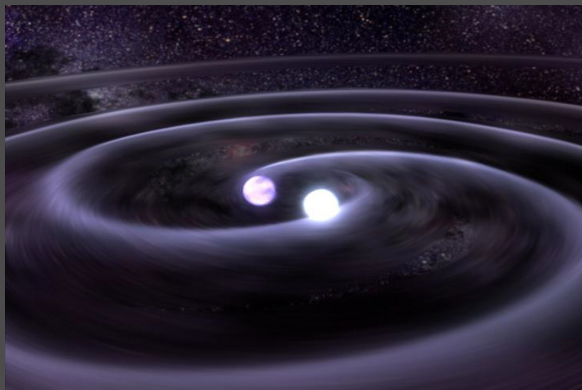
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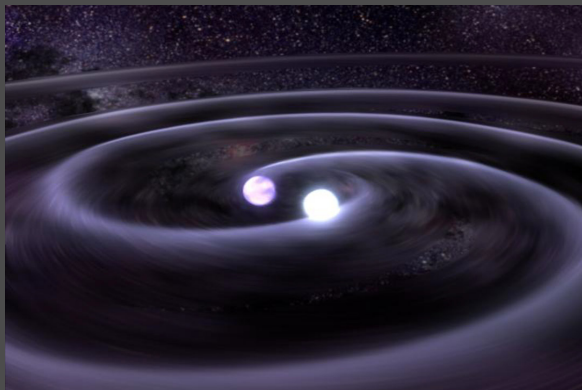
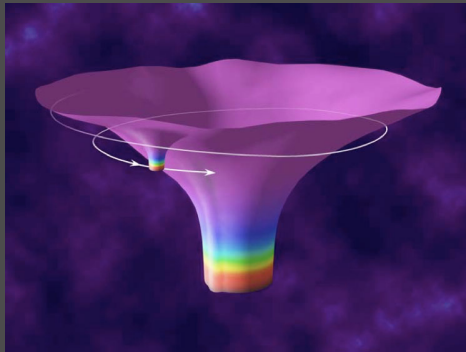
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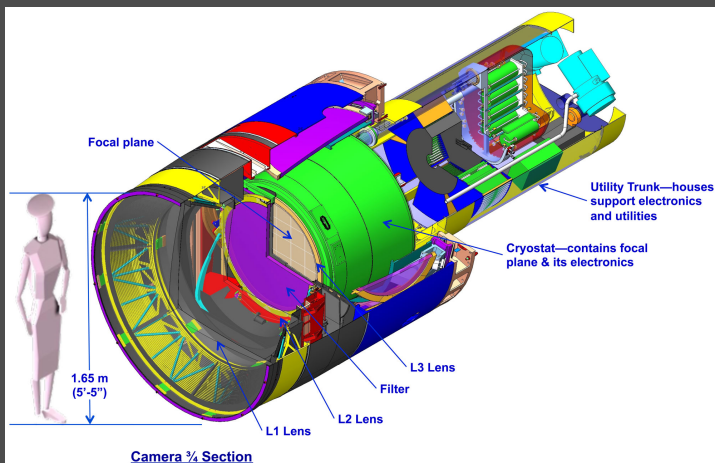
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- Period/Period derivative
- Distance
- Spin
- Sky localization (few arcmin to  $10 \text{ deg}^2$ )
- Eccentricity

# The Rubin Observatory

## *What is It?*



8.4 m Telescope located  
Cerro Pachón, Chile

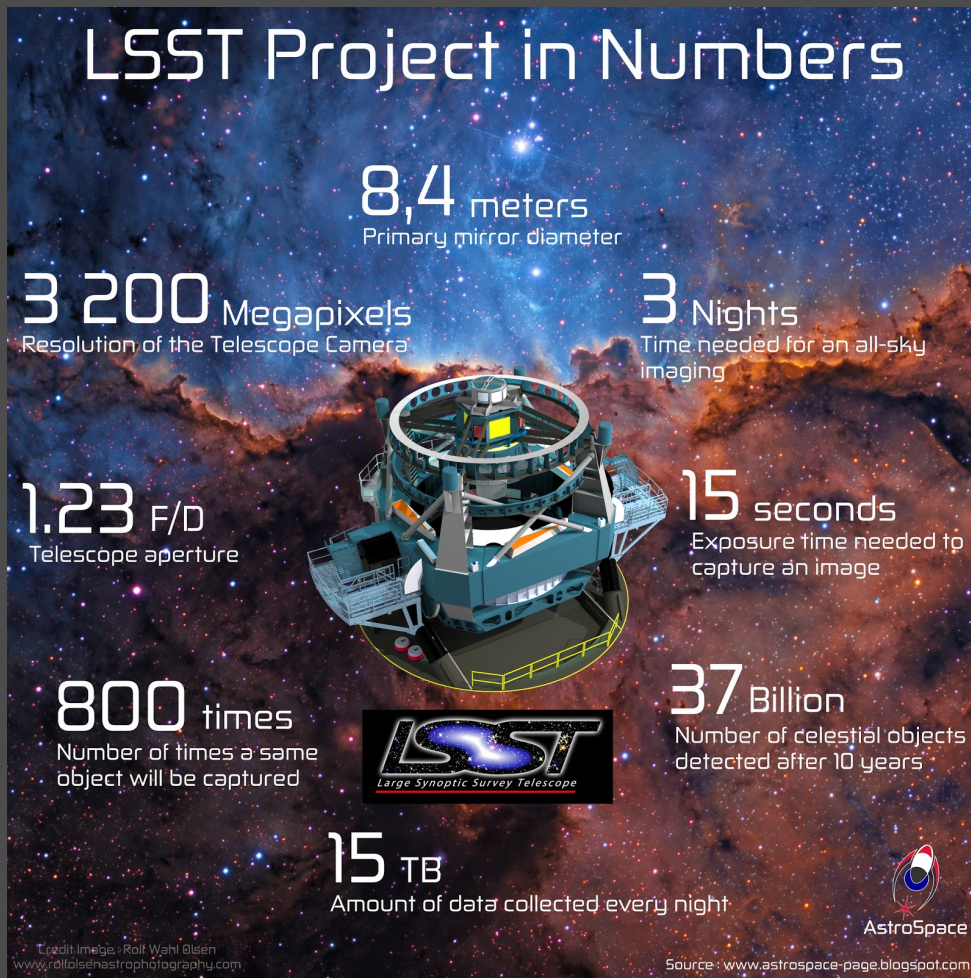


3.2 giga-pixel camera  
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Dedicated to Survey Observations

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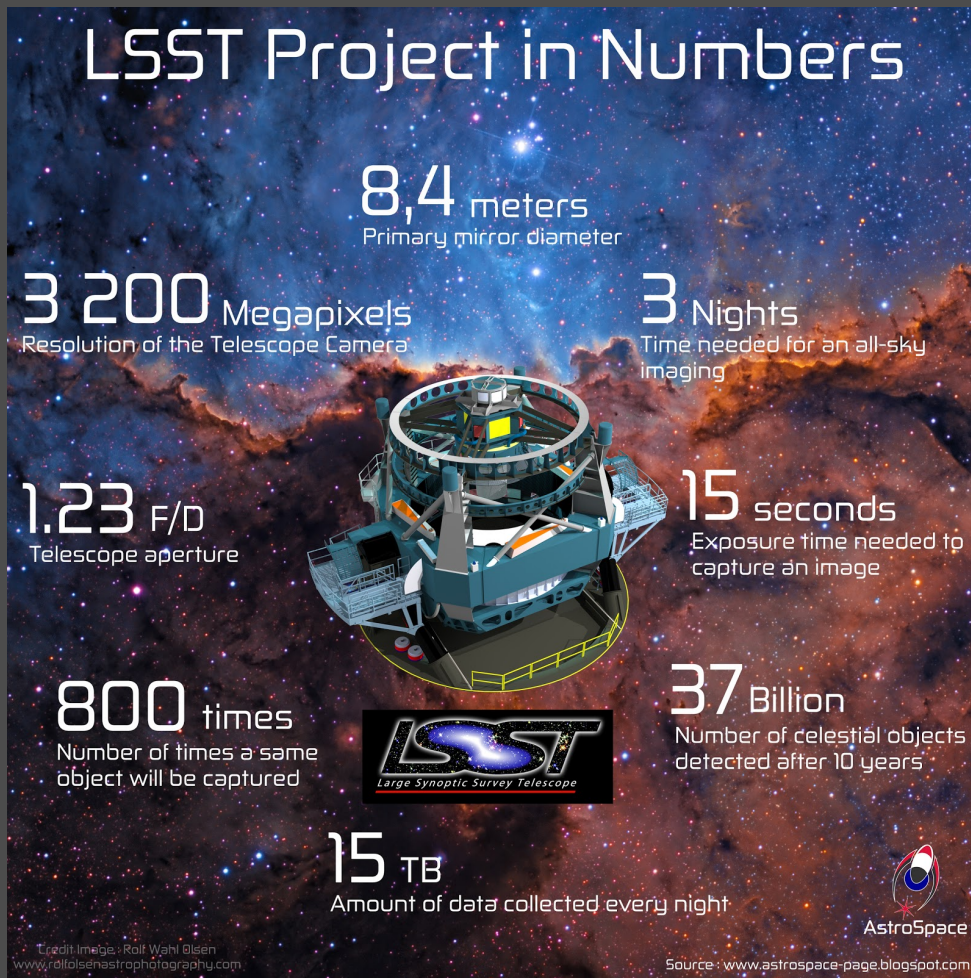


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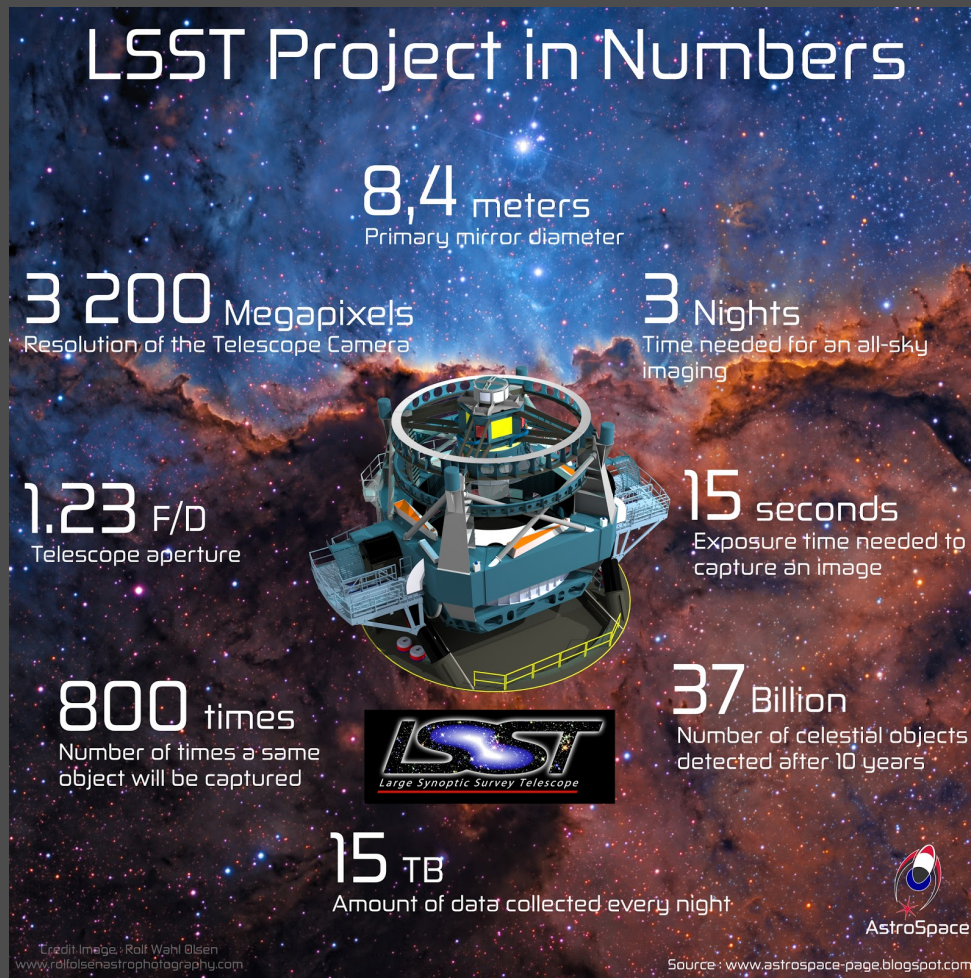


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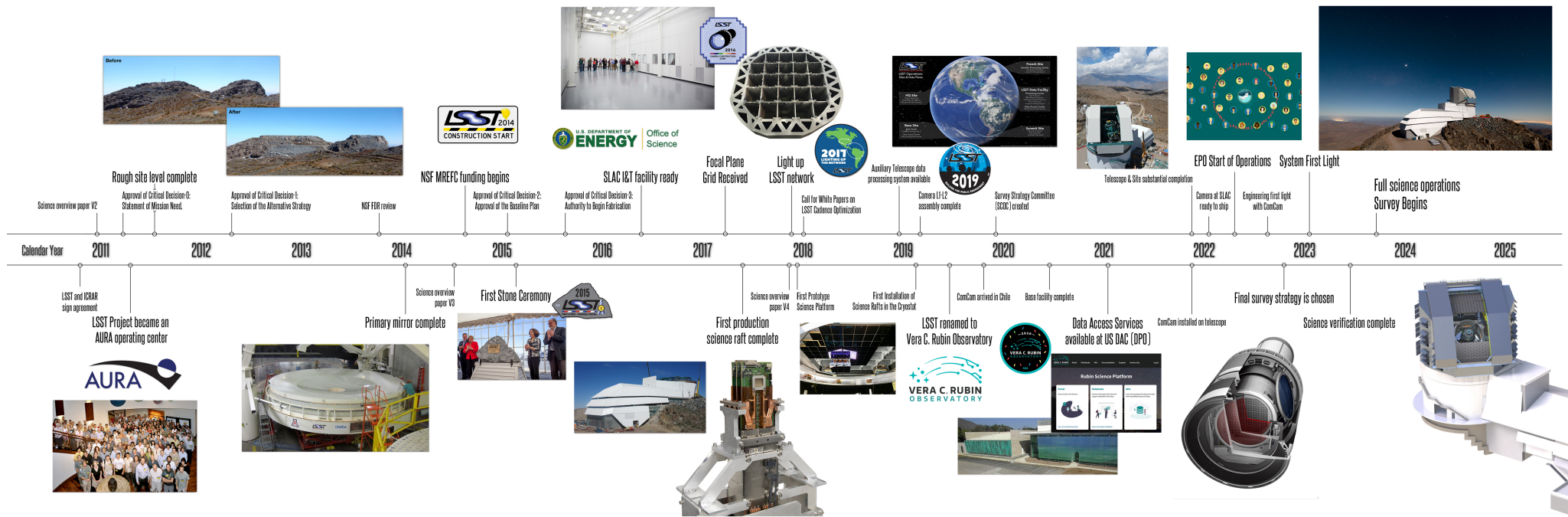
### Data Products:

- Real-time alerts on objects that change brightness (60s)
- Nightly images and updated catalogs (24 hours)
- Yearly data releases



# The Legacy Survey of Space and Time

## What is the Timeline?



Science Observations Expected in 2024

# The Legacy Survey of Space and Time

## *What is Canada's Involvement?*

The Rubin In-Kind Program Provides  
Data Access to International Partners

CAN-CAN Contributions:

- Directable Efforts for 7 Canadian-Rubin Fellows
- Canadian public data archive



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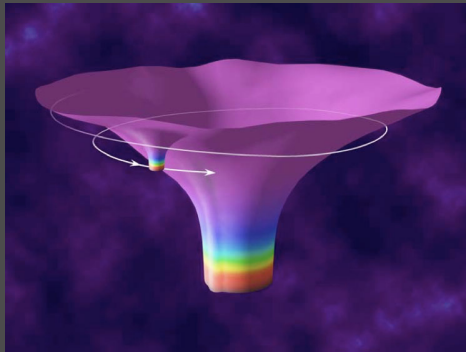
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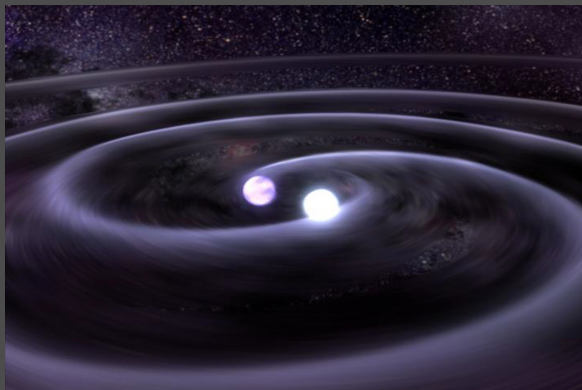
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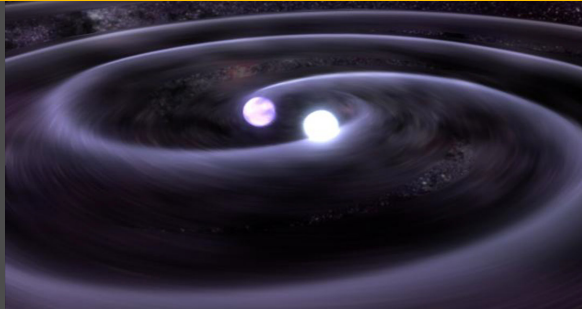
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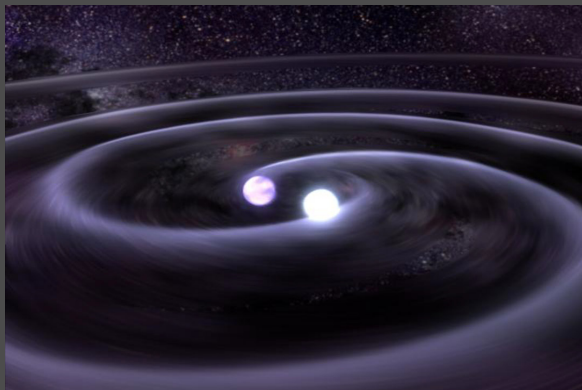
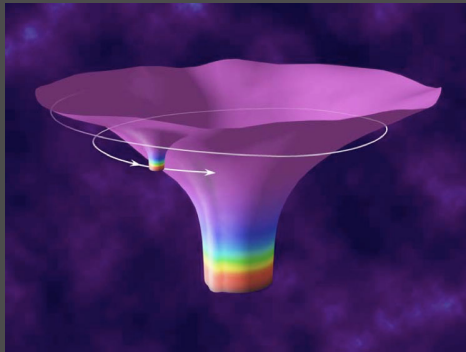
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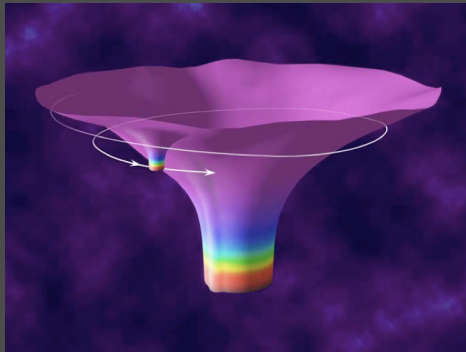
- Stellar/Galactic Light
- Accretion
- Outflows
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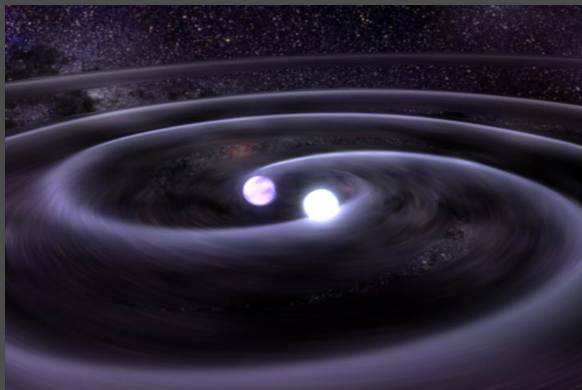
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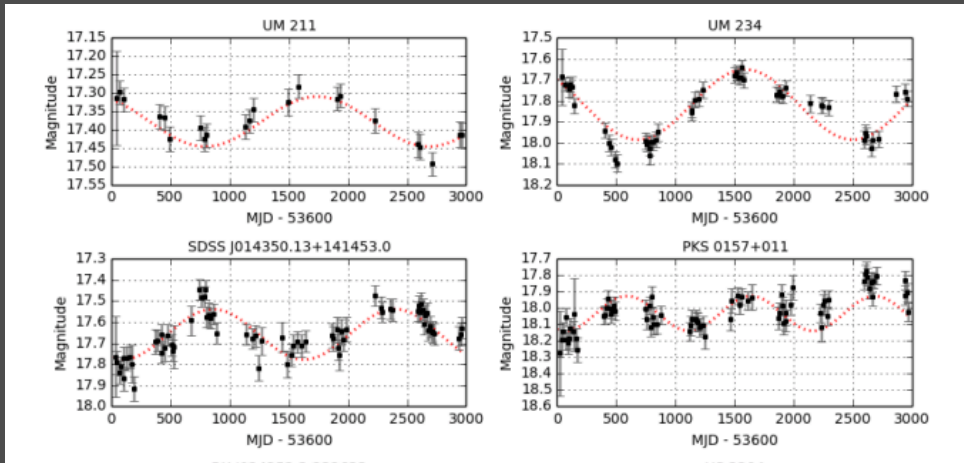
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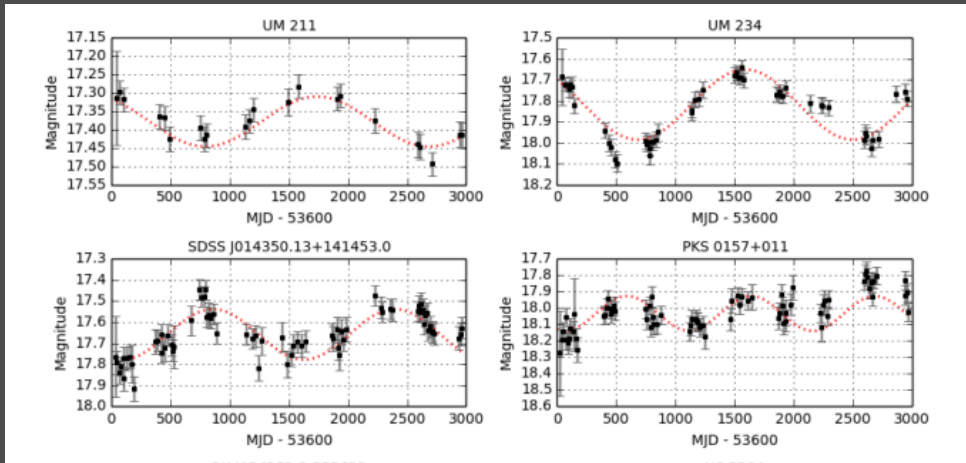
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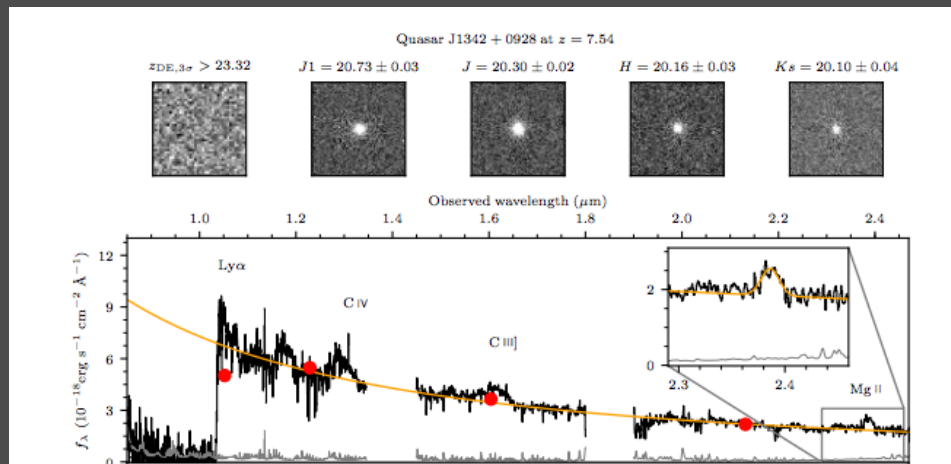
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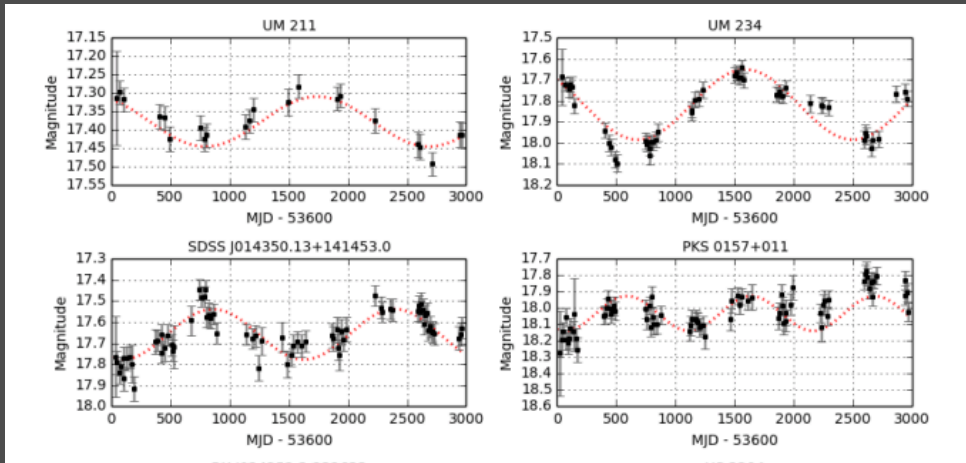


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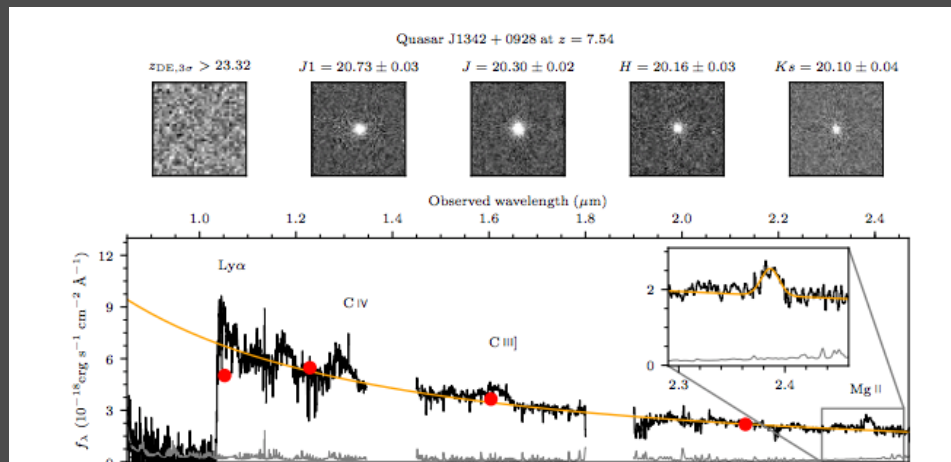
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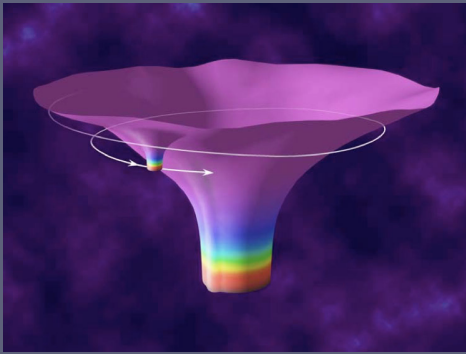
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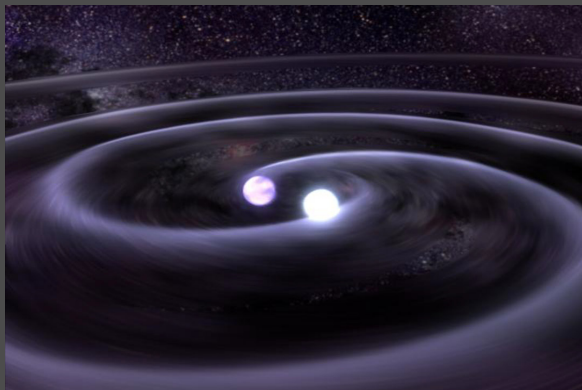
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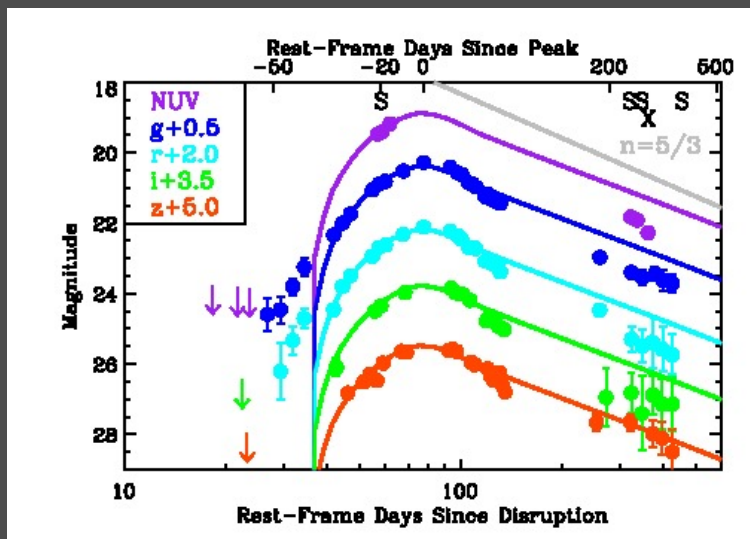
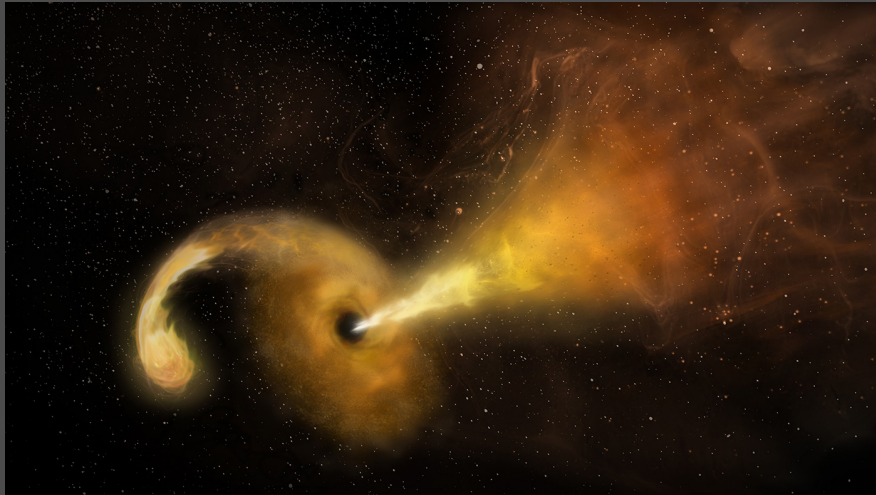
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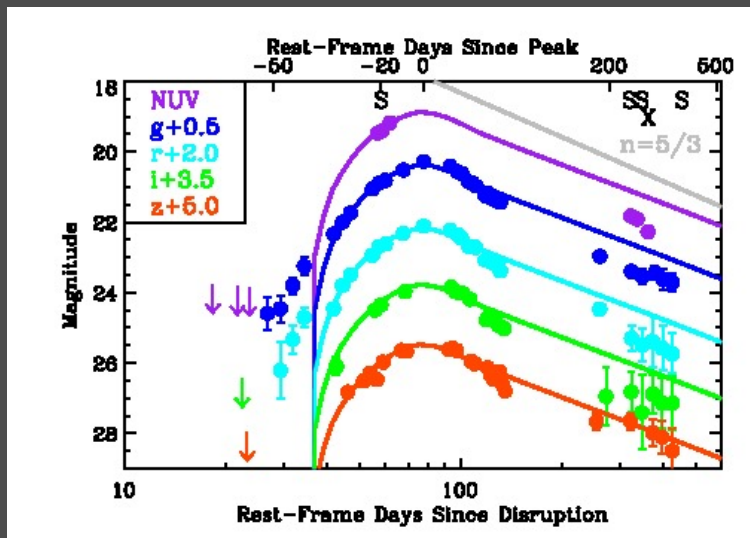
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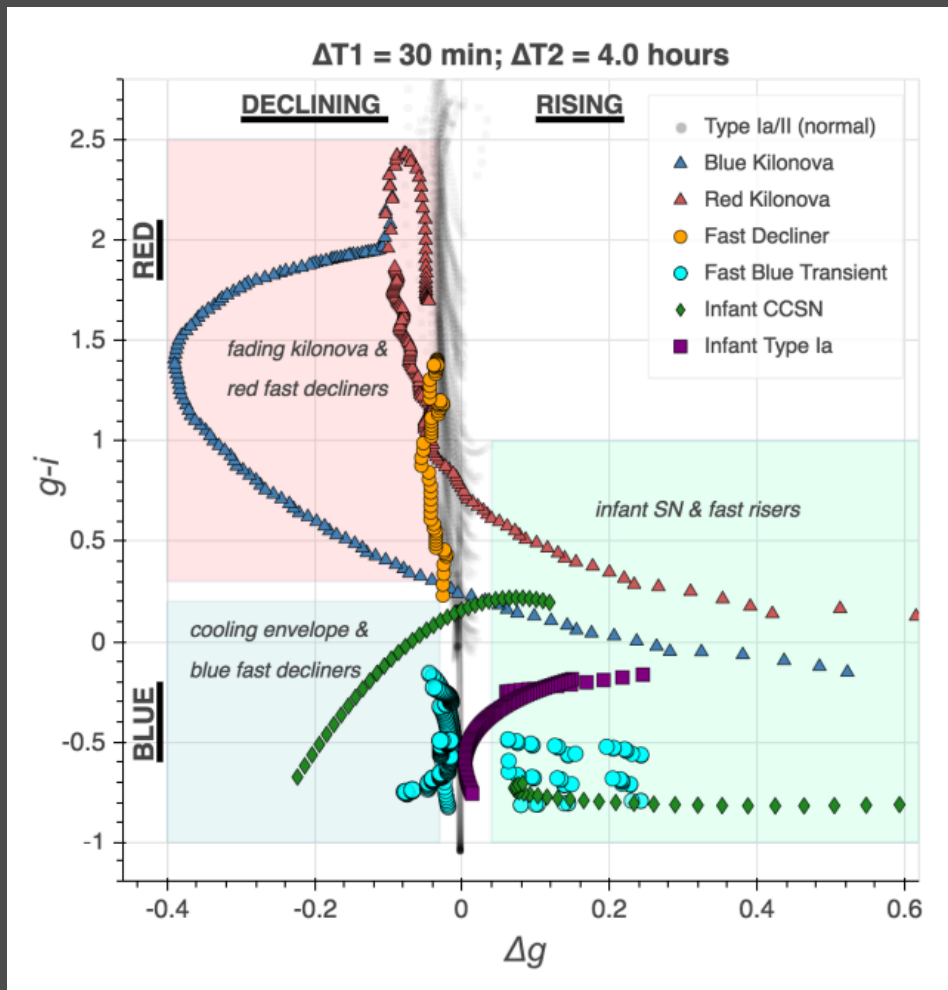


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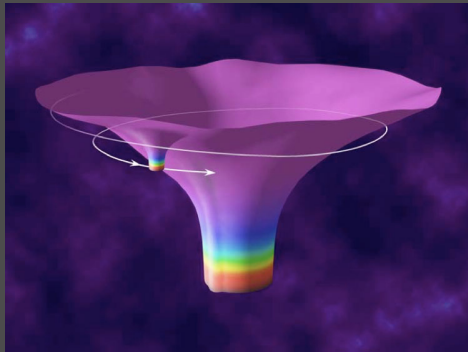
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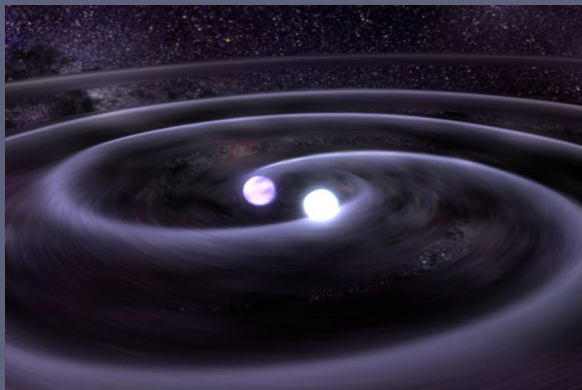
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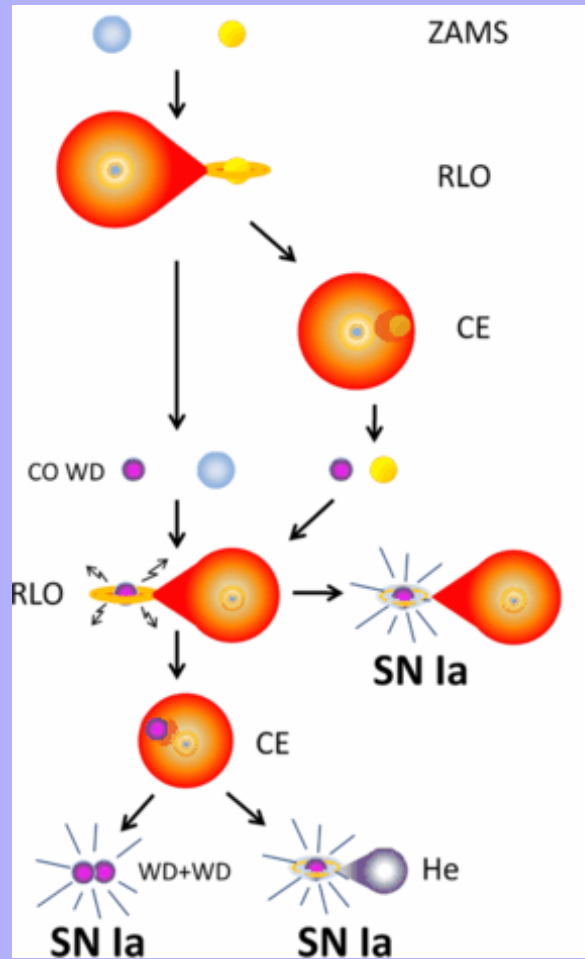
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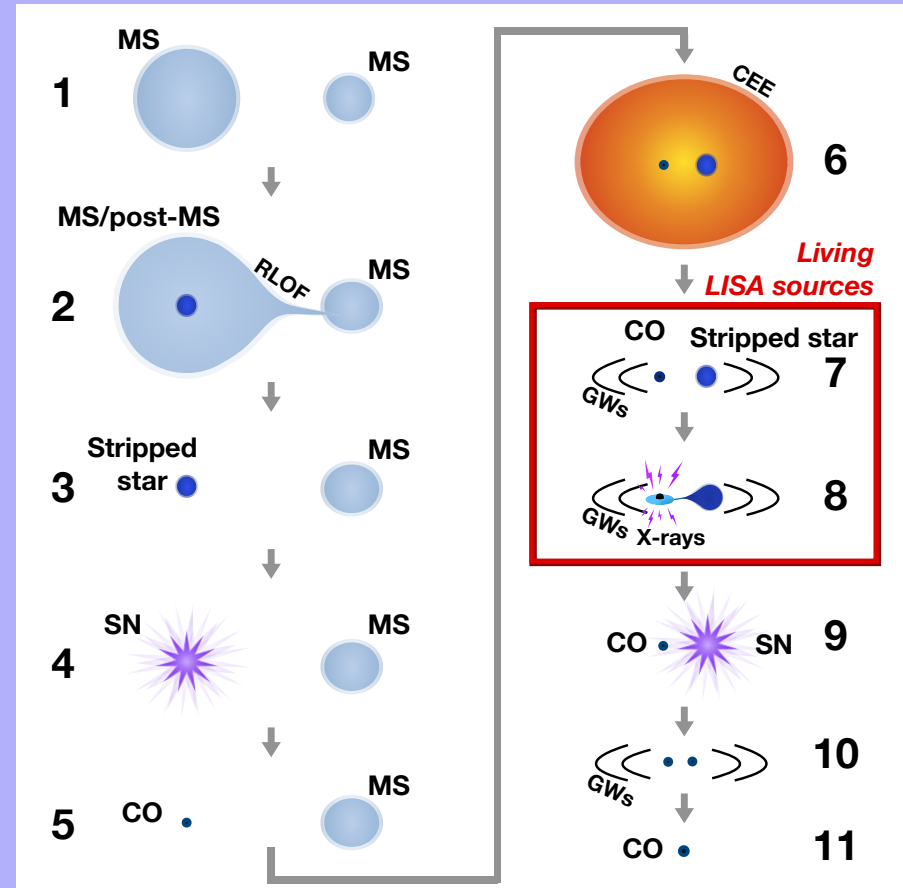
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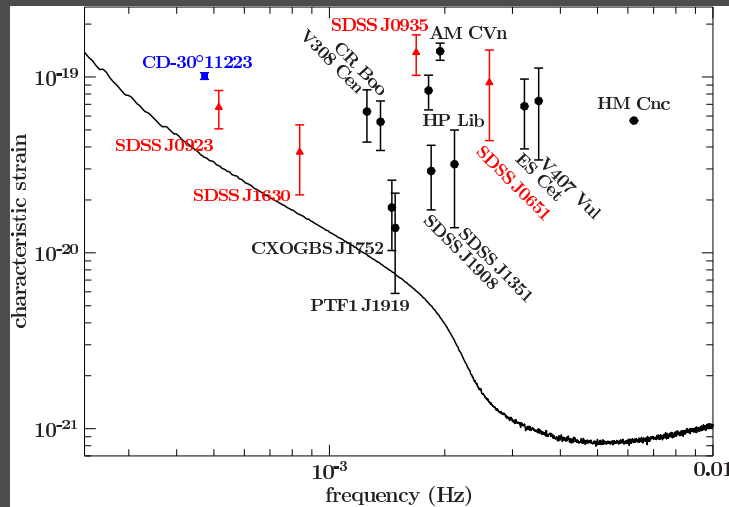
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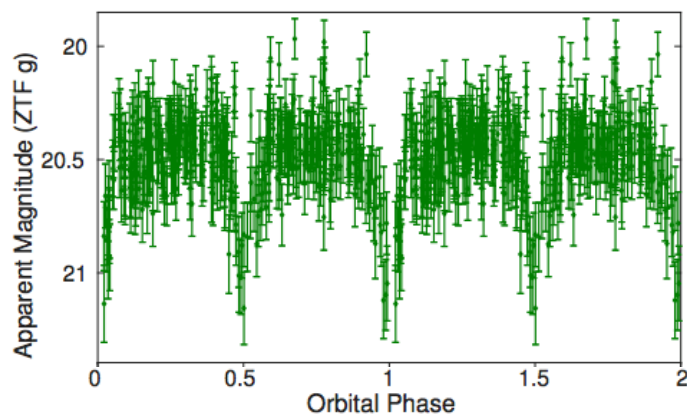
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Prior to LISA operations:

Long-baseline, wide area, high image quality and deep sensitivity limits will allow the identification of many LISA binaries

During LISA operations:

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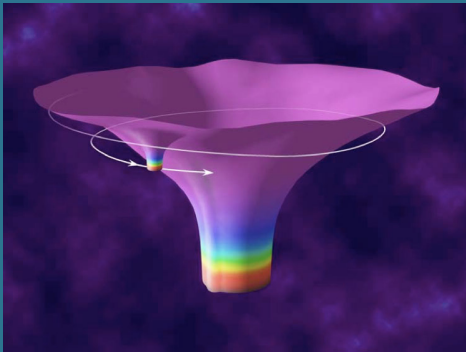
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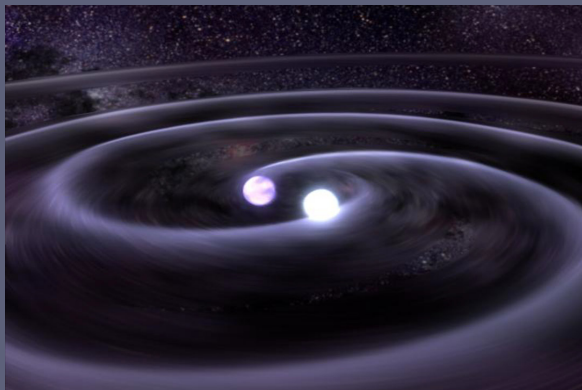
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