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Applications of Wave-Optical Weak Lensing of Gravitational Wave

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Motivations – GW

GW can be used to probe dark universe
By Gravitational lensing of GW(GW lensing)



Motivations - GL

- Gravitational Lensing
 - **Strong lensing**
 - Weak lensing



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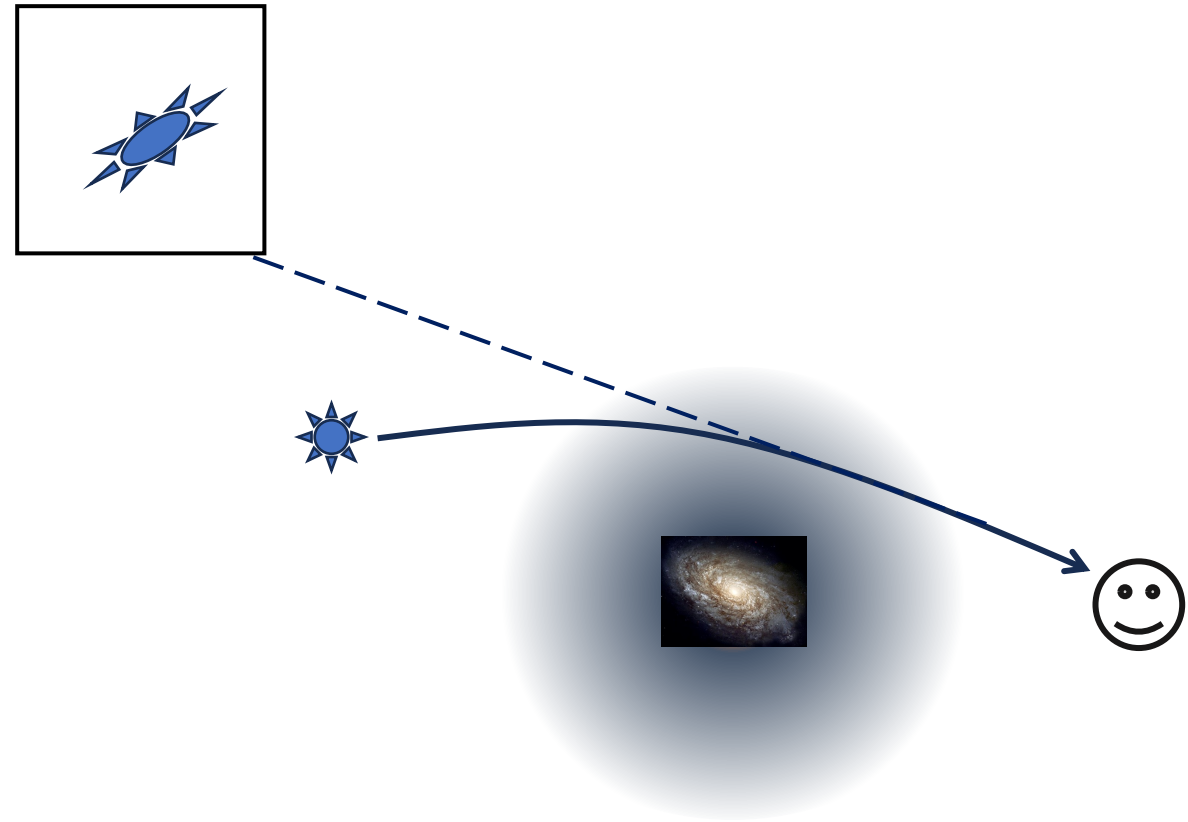


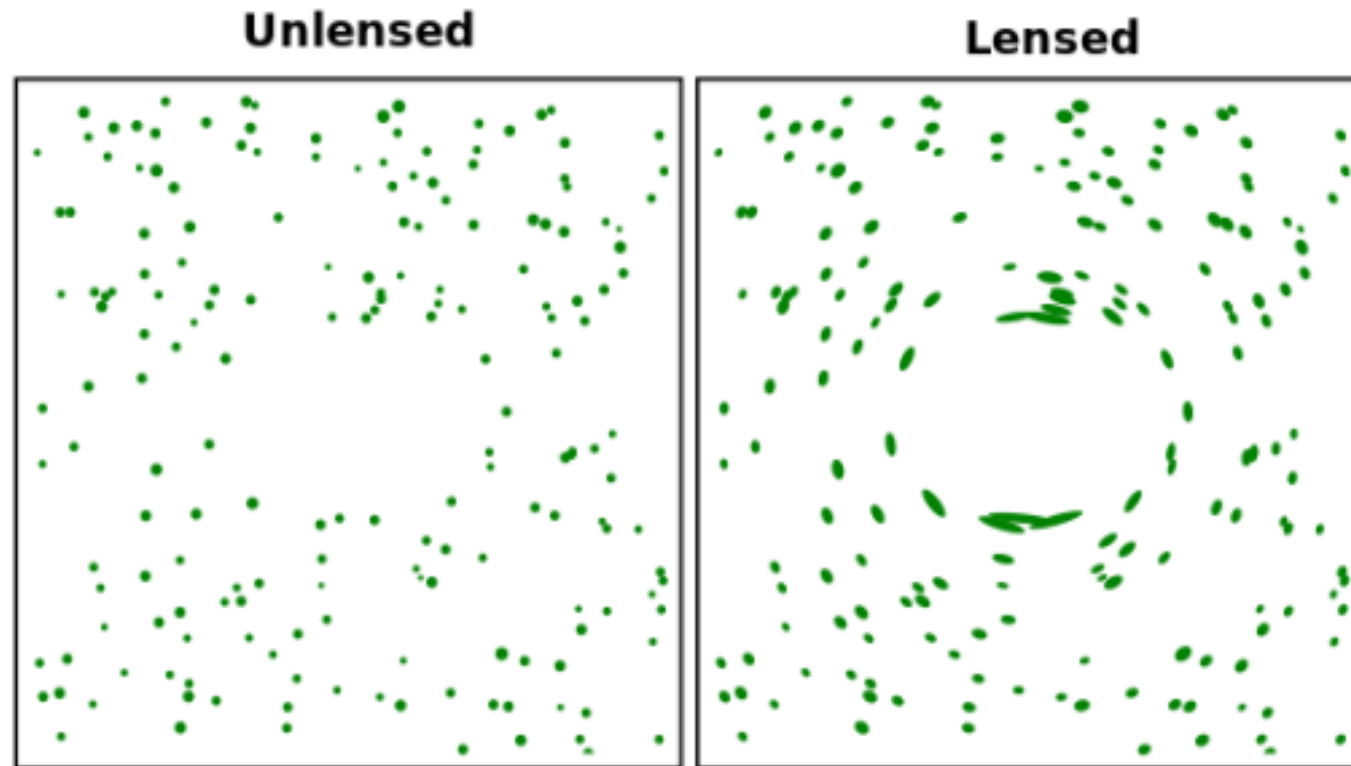
Image deformation

\propto Line-of-Sight mass density(Convergence) & Tidal effect(Shear)

However, Single source does not give any information – Unknown intrinsic properties

Motivations - GL

Many Sources \rightarrow Field of convergence & shear \rightarrow Lens profile!

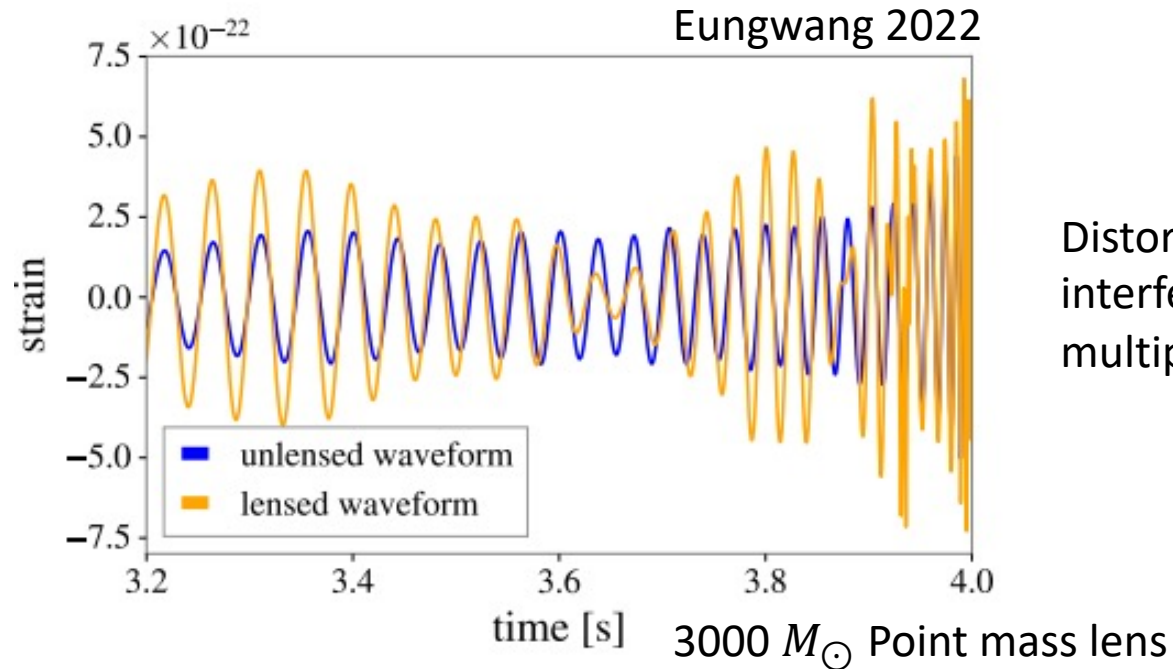


Motivations - GL

- Strong GW lensing has been used to probe compact lens objects (ex. black holes)

$$h_L(t) = h_1(t) + h_2(t) + \dots$$

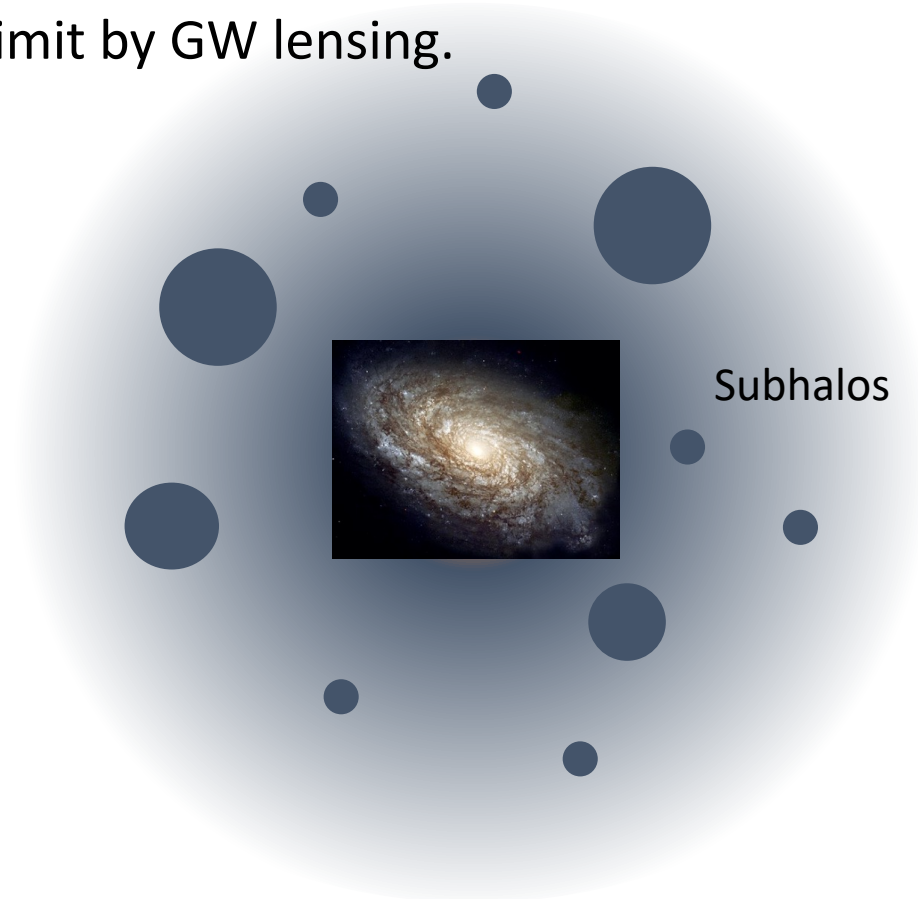
Similar GWs with different arrival timing and phase



Distortion of signal by interference between multiple images

Motivations – Dark matter halo

- Can we detect more diffuse lens object like **Dark matter halo**?
- **Small Dark matter halo can give a hint on dark matter properties.**
- Indirect evidence of small dark matter (sub)halo
 - $M_{\text{sub}} > 10^7 M_{\odot}$ (Nadler 2021)
- We want to lower the limit by GW lensing.



Motivations – Wave optics

- However, small halos below $M \leq 10^6 M_\odot$ are **too diffuse**, they produce only **weak lensing**. $h_L(t) = h_1(t)$

- Effects of weak lensing in **Geometric optics** calculation

$$h_L(t) = \sqrt{\mu} h(t - \tau)$$

- Amplification : **unobservable** unless we know the exact distance to the source
- Time-delay : **unobservable** unless we know the exact GW emission timing
- Only **Diffraction** gives observables.
 - We need to solve the wave equation of GW.

Wave optics of GW

- Background metric in weak gravity

$$ds^2 = -(1 + 2U(\mathbf{x}))dt^2 + (1 - 2U(\mathbf{x}))d\mathbf{x}^2 = g_{\mu\nu}^{(B)} dx^\mu dx^\nu$$

$$\nabla^2 U = 4\pi\rho$$

- Propagation of GW (with appropriate gauge fixing)

$$g_{\mu\nu} = g_{\mu\nu}^{(B)} + h_{\mu\nu} \quad \square^{(B)} h_{\mu\nu} + 2R_{\gamma\mu\delta\nu}^{(B)} h^{\gamma\delta} = 0$$

- Wavelength \ll Background Curvature length scale

$$\square^{(B)} h_{\mu\nu} \simeq 0$$

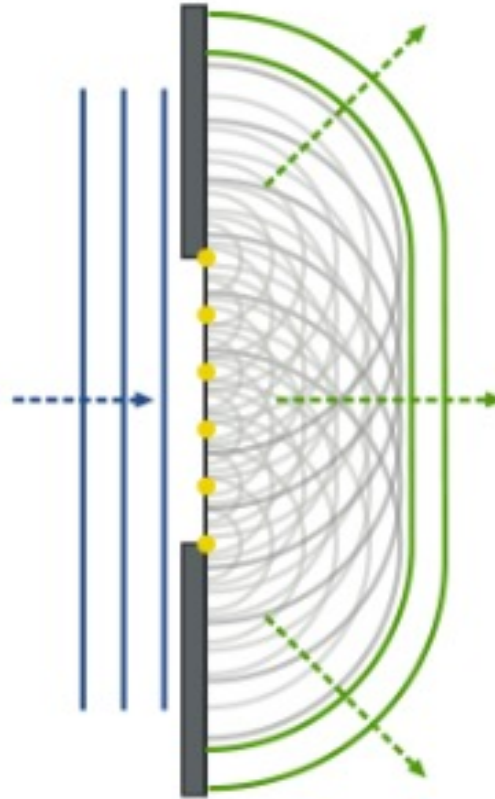
- Negligible changes ($\sim U$) in the polarizations

$$h_{\mu\nu}(t, \mathbf{x}) \simeq \phi(t, \mathbf{x}) e_{\mu\nu}$$

$$(\nabla^2 + w^2)\phi(w, \mathbf{x}) = 4w^2 U(\mathbf{x})\phi(w, \mathbf{x}) \quad * \text{ Fourier transform}$$

Wave optics of GW

- The solution is given by Kirchhoff's diffraction formula
 - Huygens' principle on lens plane cf) Diffraction by a single Slit



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$$\frac{\phi(w; \mathbf{x}_o)}{\phi_0(w; \mathbf{x}_o)} = F(w; \mathbf{x}_s) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int \frac{dx'^2}{r_F^2(w)} e^{i[\frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}_s|^2 - \psi(\mathbf{x}')] / r_F^2(w)}$$

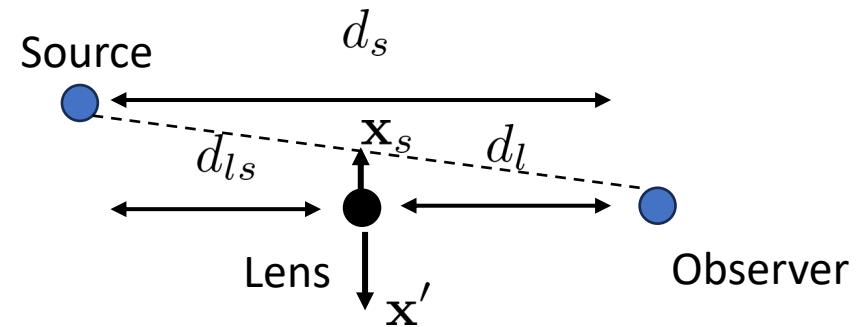
$$r_F = \sqrt{\frac{d_{\text{eff}}}{w}}$$

Fresnel length

$$d_{\text{eff}} = \frac{d_l d_{l_s}}{d_s}$$

Effective lens distance

$$\psi(\mathbf{x}) = 2d_{\text{eff}} \int dz U(\mathbf{x}, z) \quad \text{Line-of-sight gravitational potential}$$



Weak Diffractive lensing

Wave optics in Diffraction regime: $\mathbf{x}_s \ll r_F$

$$\Rightarrow F(w; \mathbf{x}_s) \propto \int dx'^2 \exp \left[i \left[\frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{x}|^2 - \psi(\mathbf{x}) \right] \frac{1}{r_F^2} \right]$$

Weak lensing approximation: **linear in ψ** & low slope profile

$$F(w) \simeq 1 + \bar{\kappa} (e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} r_F) \quad \text{Aperture mean convergence}$$

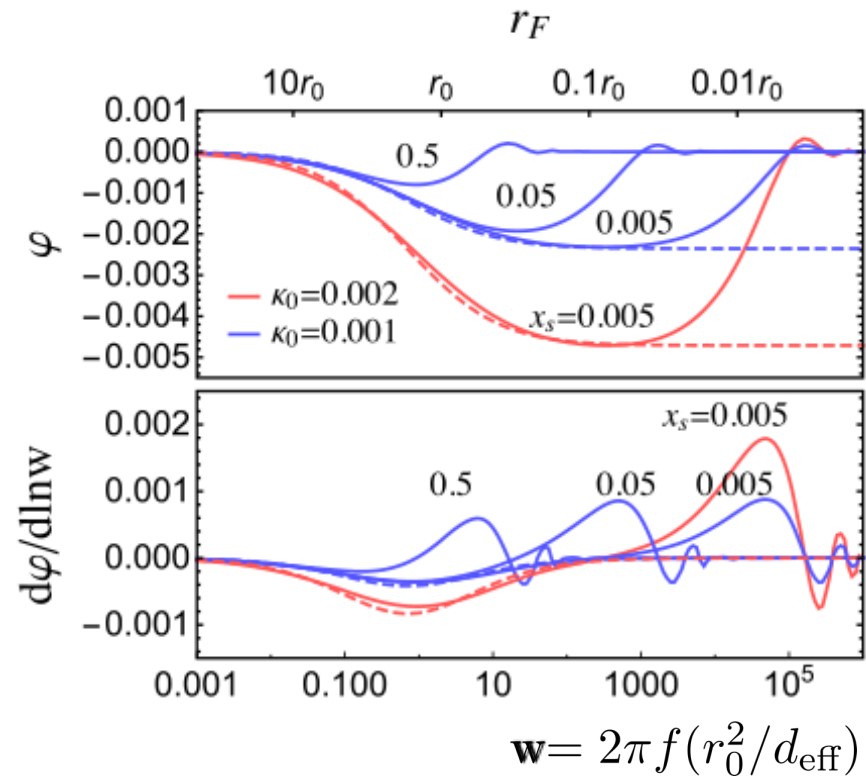
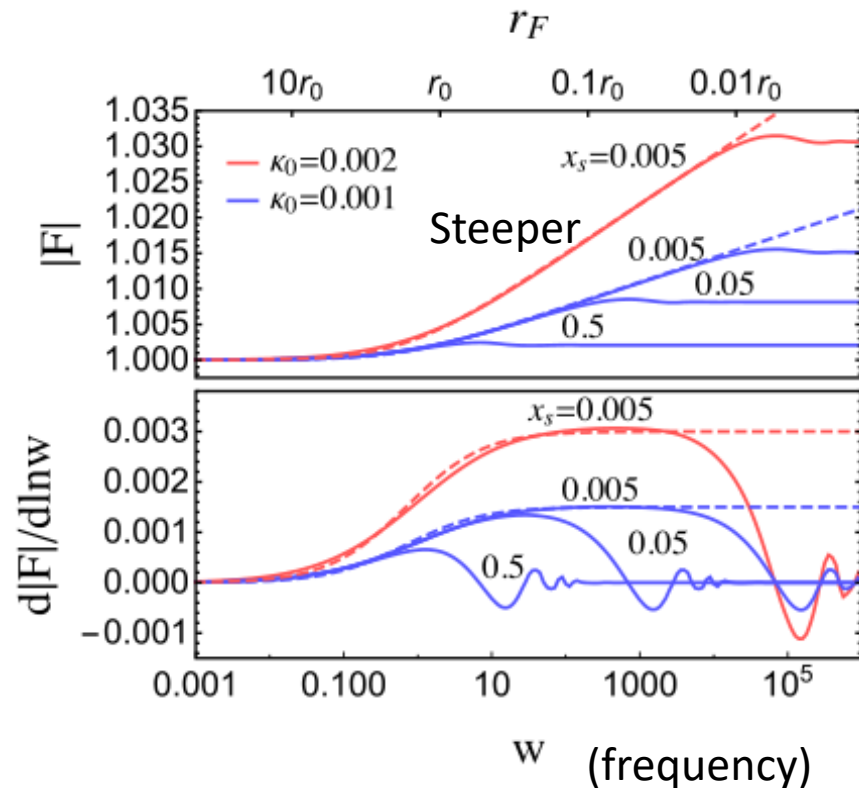
Frequency dependency is observable of diffraction:

$$\frac{dF(w)}{d \ln w} \simeq \gamma_t (e^{i\frac{\pi}{4}} r_F) \quad \text{(Tangential) Shear}$$

F(w) is directly related to lensing profile at Fresnel length!

Weak Diffractive lensing

- $F(w)$ of Navarro-Frenk-White(NFW) profile. Numerical vs Analytic
- Good matches when $r_F > x_s$
- The **slope of $F(w)$ follows the slope** of the DM halo profile.



Detection of Diffractive lensing

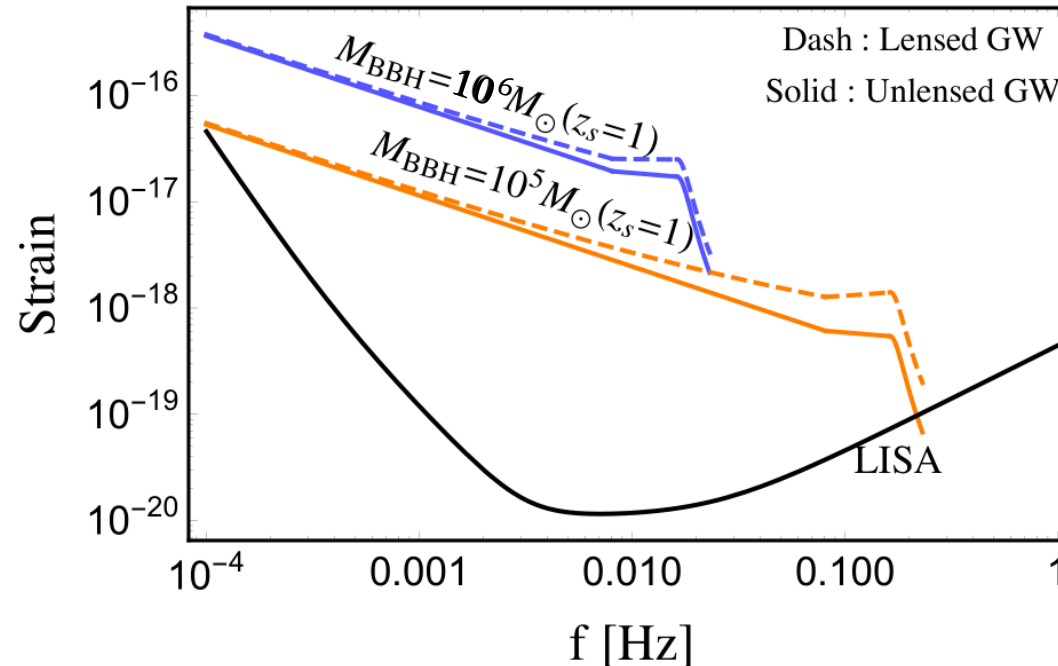
Multiple frequencies replace multiple background sources

Gaussian Noise, Small detector noise, Ignore correlations with source intrinsic parameters

$$\text{log-likelihood} \simeq \min_{A, \phi, t} 2 \sum_{f_j} \frac{|F(f_j) - A e^{i\phi} e^{2\pi i f_j t}|^2 |h_0(f_j)|^2}{S_n(f_j)} \Delta f$$

Lensing by Singular Isothermal sphere lens ($M = 10^5 M_\odot, z_l = 0.35$)

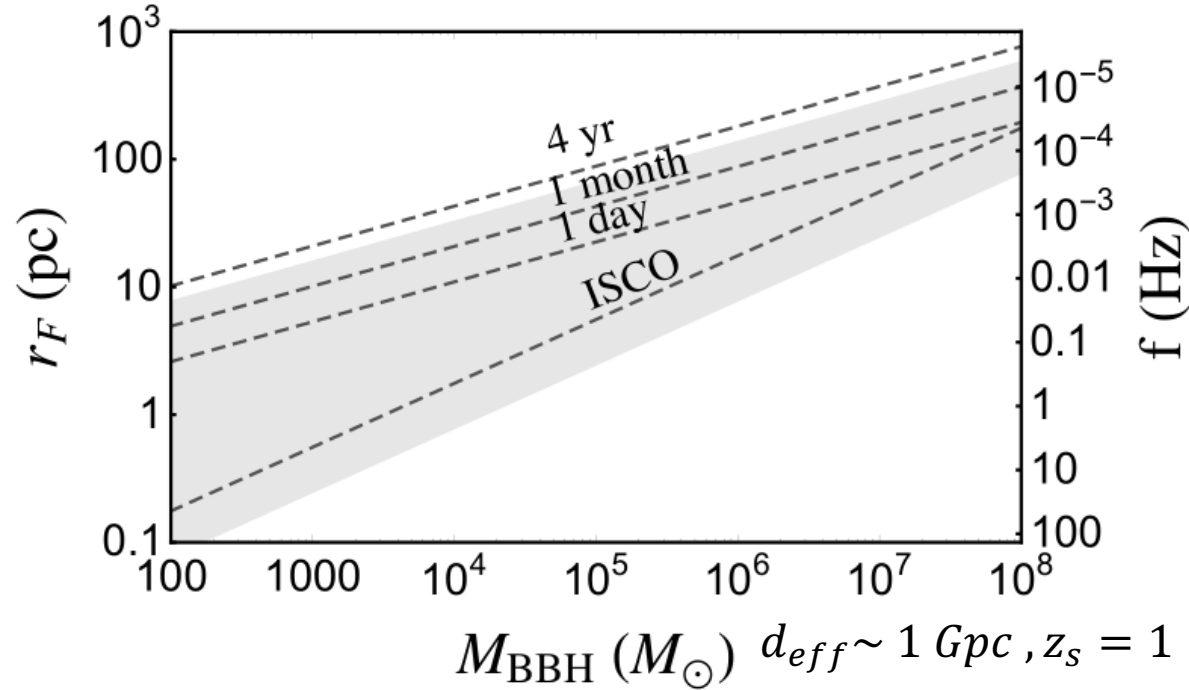
Ex) spectrum change



Detection of Diffractive lensing

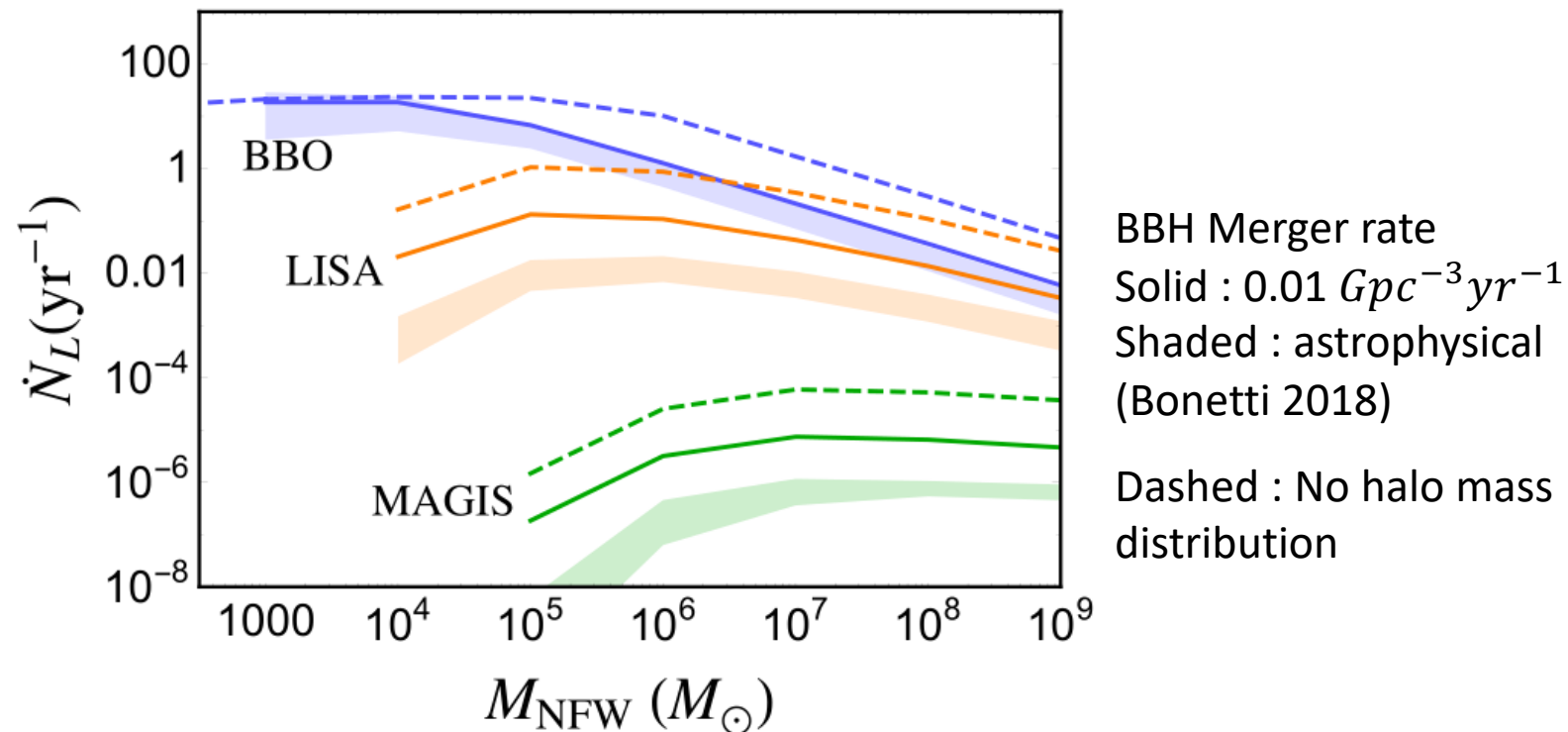
- Small DM halo with **10 pc** length scale can be probed by **Massive BBH mergers**

$$r_F \equiv \sqrt{\lambda d_l} \simeq 5.56 \text{pc} \sqrt{\left(\frac{d_l}{\text{Gpc}}\right) \left(\frac{0.1 \text{Hz}}{f}\right)}$$



Prospects

- Big Bang Observer (BBO) can detect **(Λ CDM) $10^3 M_\odot$ halo** more than 10 per year.
 - The others are less promising due to strong detector noise.
- The prospects highly depends on **massive BBH merger population** and **DM halo population**.

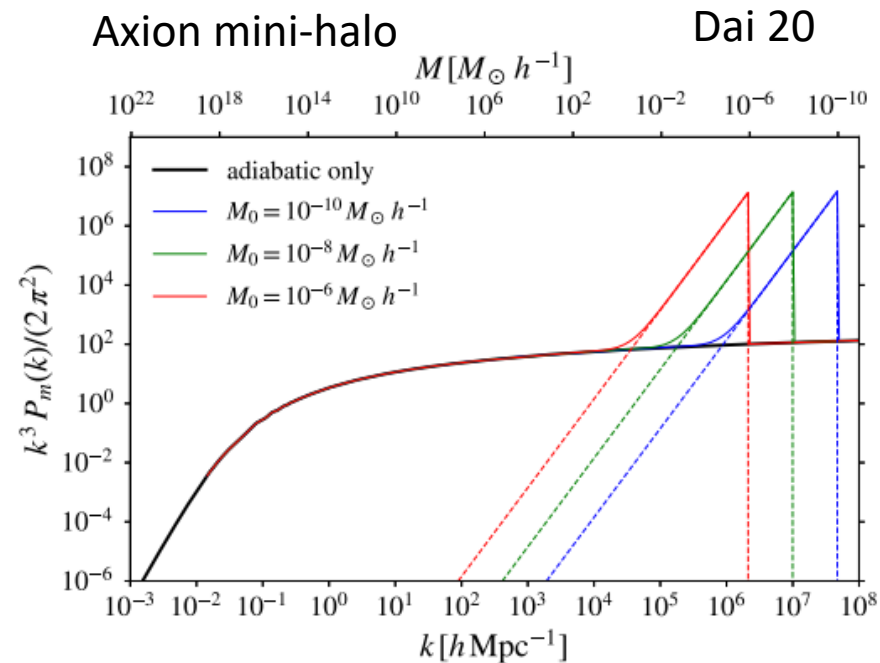
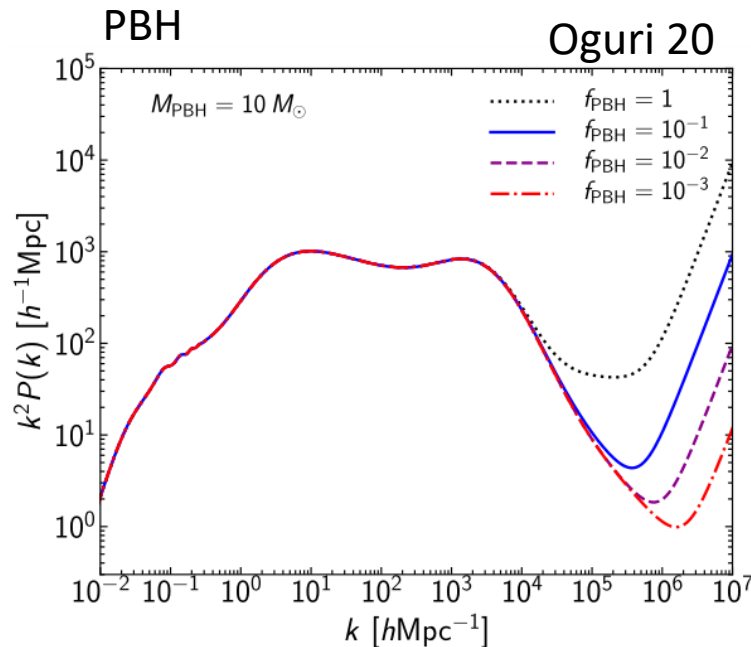


Probing $P_m(\mathbf{k})$ through combining weak lensing events

Work in progress

Lensing signal from $P_m(\mathbf{k})$ Work in progress

- Some dark matter models predict **shot noise dominance** $P_{\text{shot}}(k) = \frac{f^2}{\bar{n}}$ \bar{n} : number density
 f : mass fraction
- at small scale (< 1 pc)
 - Primordial black hole, Axion mini halo ...



Lensing signal from $P_m(\mathbf{k})$ Work in progress

- In the high frequency detectors, GW lensing events are rare(probability ≤ 0.001).
- Lens model dependent (point mass, halo, etc.)
- Instead, How about combine **all GW events**?
 - Lens effects (= gravitational potentials) become stochastic.
 - The stochastic nature is related to **matter power spectrum**.
 - LIGO (ET) will observe >100 (10^5) GW events per year.
 - cf. Stochastic Gravitational Wave Background
 - accumulation of stochastic detector correlations
- LIGO and ET are sensitive to BBH merger at 100 Hz
 - Ultra small scale!

$$r_F \propto \sqrt{\lambda d_l} \simeq 0.18 \text{pc} \sqrt{\left(\frac{d_l}{\text{Gpc}}\right) \left(\frac{100\text{Hz}}{f}\right)}$$

Lensing signal from $P_m(\mathbf{k})$ Work in progress

- Strain data consist of detector noise, GW signal, and lensing signal

$$d(f) = n(f) + h_0(f) + \delta F \cdot h_0(f)$$

- Lensing effects of all Line-of-Sight matter inhomogeneity

$$\delta F(f) = \frac{4\pi f}{i} \int_0^{d_s} dx \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \tilde{U}(\mathbf{k}) e^{-ik_{\parallel}(d_s-x)} e^{-i \frac{k^2 x (d_s-x)}{4\pi f d_s}}$$

- The lensing amplification factor has zero mean. $\langle \delta F \rangle = 0$

- **The covariance of the residuals is related to the matter power spectrum**

$$\langle (d^*(f_1) - h_0^*(f_1))(d(f_2) - h_0(f_2)) \rangle = \langle (\delta F \cdot h_0(f_1))^* \delta F \cdot h_0(f_2) \rangle \propto P_m h_0^2$$

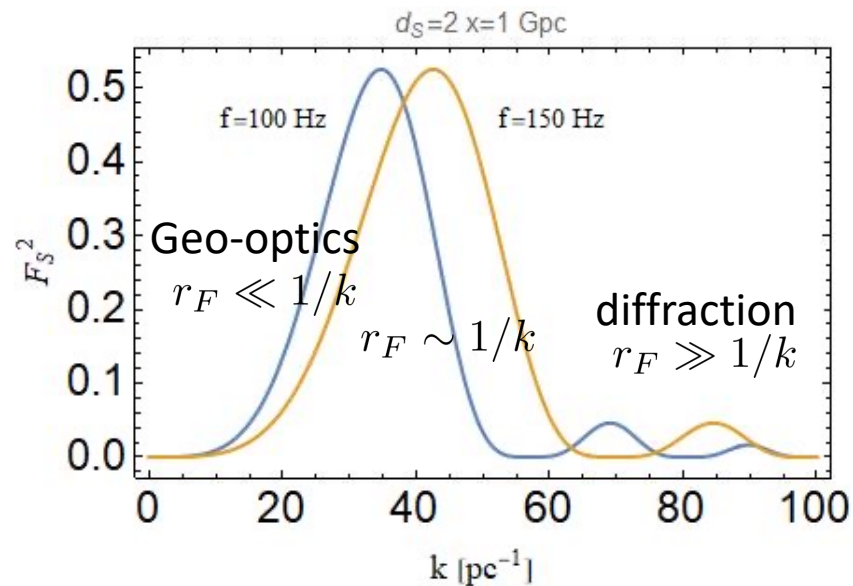
*The stationary detector noise is assumed

Lensing signal from $P_m(\mathbf{k})$ Work in progress

ex) GW phase fluctuation = $\int_0^{d_s} dx W^2(x) \int \frac{dkk}{2\pi} P_m(k) F_S^2(k, x)$

$$W(x) \equiv x \left(1 - \frac{x}{d_s}\right) \quad F_S(k, x) = \frac{\cos(kr_F)^2/2 - 1}{(kr_F)^2/2}$$

- The fluctuations exists only when $r_F \sim 1/k$.
- There is **no fluctuation** for geo-optics limit ($r_F \ll 1/k$) and diffraction limit ($r_F \gg 1/k$). (Oguri 20)



Detecting lensing signal

- We estimate the Bayes factor

$$B \equiv \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{lensing}}}{\mathcal{L}_{\text{no lensing}}} \quad \mathcal{L} \propto e^{-2 \int df |d(f) - h(f)|^2 / S_n(f)}$$
 - Lensing vs no lensing Hypothesis

$$B \equiv \frac{\int d\theta \prod_i dU_i p(d|h_0(\theta), \{U_i\}, H_1) \pi(\theta, \{U_i\} | H_1)}{\int d\theta p(d|h_0(\theta), H_0) \pi(\theta | H_0)}$$

- Expectation value of the **lnB is zero** for Geo. limit and diffraction limit

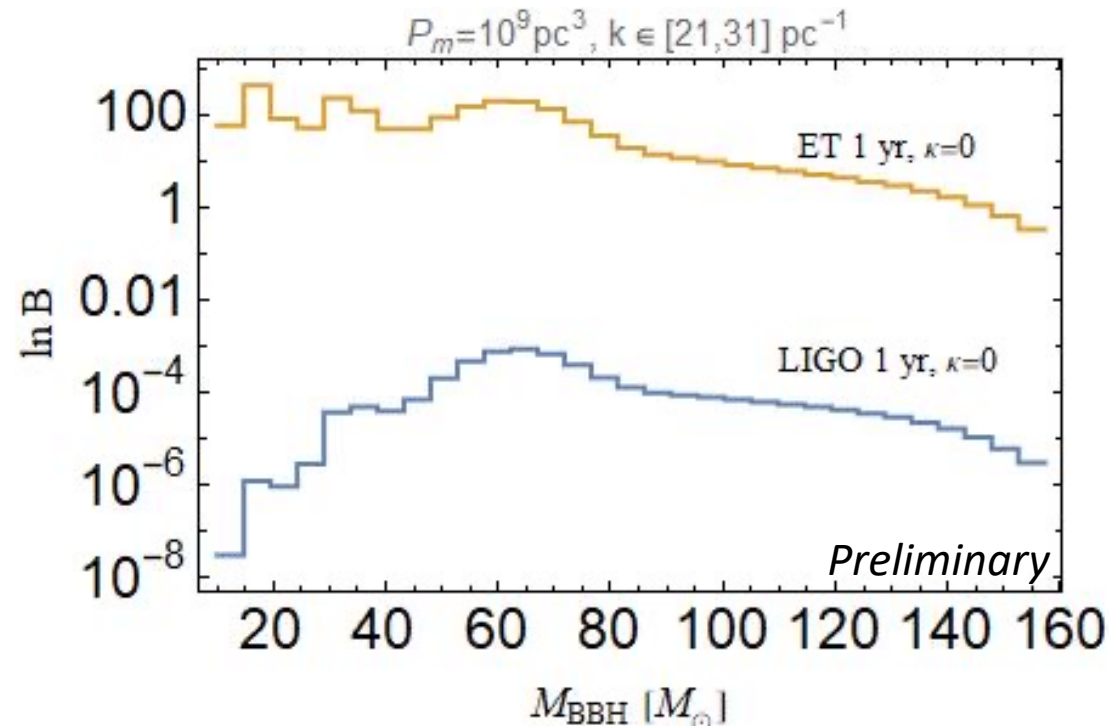
$$\begin{aligned} \langle \ln B \rangle &\propto \int_0^{d_s} dx_1 W^2(x_1) \int \frac{dk_1 k_1}{2\pi} P_m(x_1, k_1) \\ &\times \int_0^{d_s} dx_2 W^2(x_2) \int \frac{dk_2 k_2}{2\pi} P_m(x_2, k_2) \\ &\times \rho_0^4 [\text{cov}(F_{S1}, F_{S2}) - \sigma_w^{-2} \text{cov}(w, F_{S1}) \text{cov}(w, F_{S2})]^2 \end{aligned}$$

After marginalized over amplitude, phase, time shift freedom...

$$\text{cov}(A, B) = \overline{AB} - \overline{A} \overline{B} \quad F_{S1,2} \equiv F_S(k_{1,2}, x_{1,2})$$

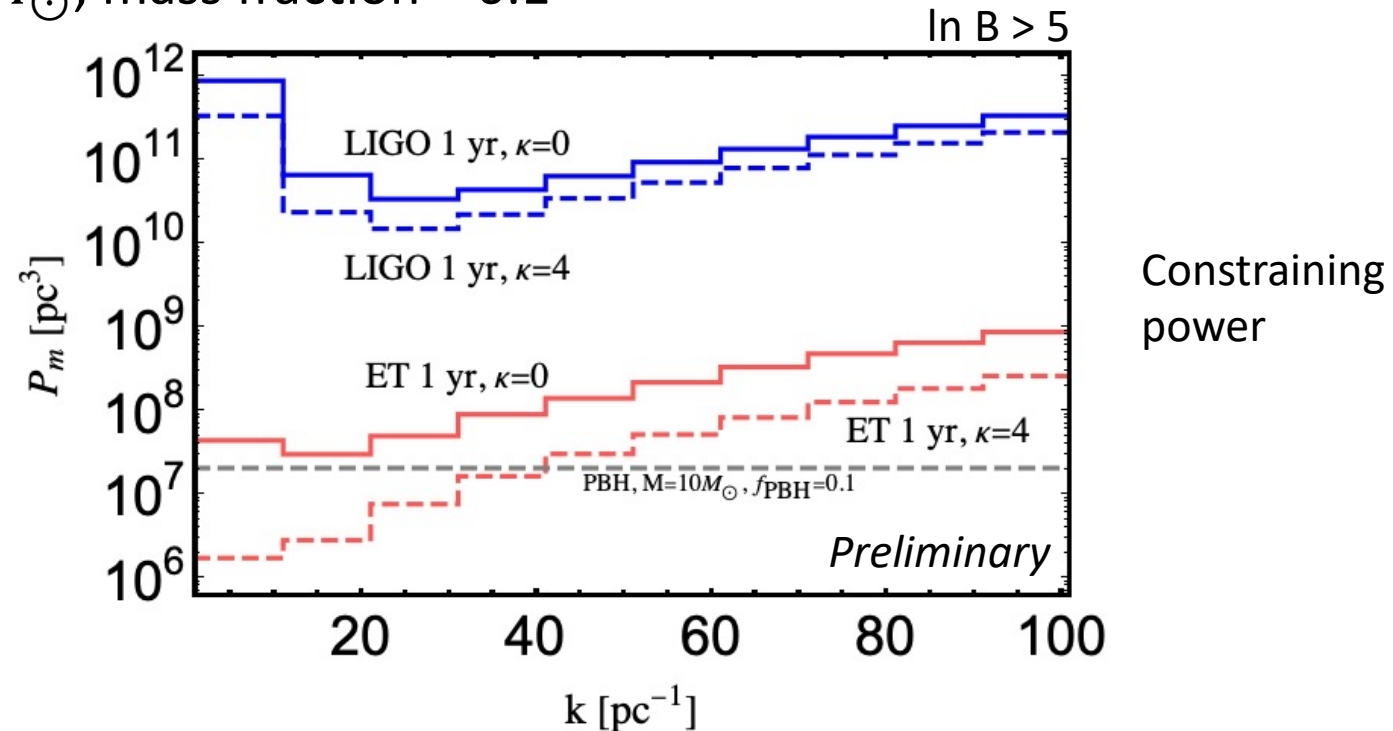
Detecting lensing signal

- We can combine all GW data : $\ln B = \sum_i \ln B_i$
- We consider stellar mass BBH merger events
 - * we assume the *merger rate* distribution from LIGO-VIRGO O3 data
- In LIGO, the contribution mainly comes from $M_{BBH} \sim 60 M_{\odot}$ while in ET, $M_{BBH} \sim 10 - 60 M_{\odot}$



Prospects

- We assume $P_m(k, z) = P_m^0(k)(1+z)^{\kappa-3}$
 - P_m is constant within the bins
- Best constraint is at
 - LIGO : $k = 30 \text{ pc}^{-1}$, ET : $k = 10 \text{ pc}^{-1}$
- 1yr observation with ET can **reach the PBH shot noise level !**
 - PBH mass = $10 M_{\odot}$, mass fraction = 0.1



Summary

1. Diffractive lensing is controlled by the Fresnel length r_F which is frequency and distance dependent.
2. r_F of GW from massive BBHs can be few parsecs. Therefore, light sub halos can be detected through diffractive lensing.
3. Powerful mid-band GW detector like BBO can detect few tens of $10^{3\sim 4} M_\odot$ DM halo per year.
4. Combining many GW data of LIGO and ET, the matter power spectrum at sub-parsec scale can be probed.