



# Breaking the Mass Sheet Degeneracy with Gravitational Waves Interference in Lensed events

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E. E. Falco, M. V. Gorenstein, and I. I. Shapiro, ApJ 289, L1 (1985)

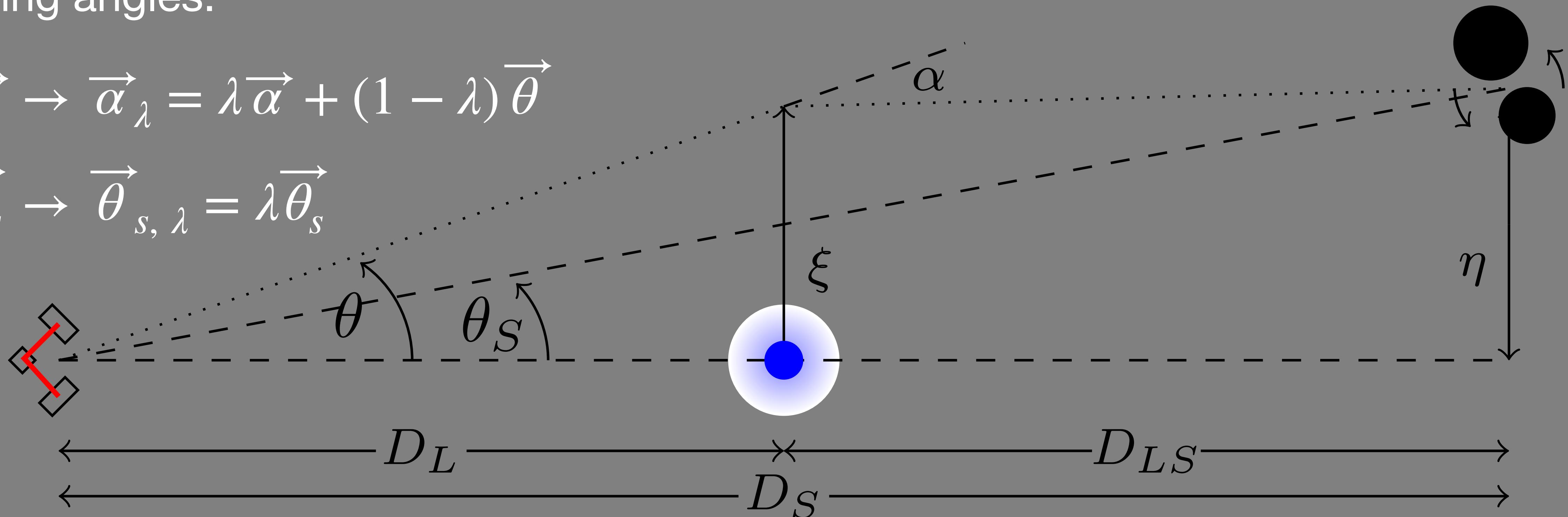
- Scalings of lens mass:

- $\kappa \rightarrow \kappa_\lambda = \lambda\kappa + (1 - \lambda)$

- Scaling angles:

- $\vec{\alpha} \rightarrow \vec{\alpha}_\lambda = \lambda\vec{\alpha} + (1 - \lambda)\vec{\theta}$

- $\vec{\theta}_s \rightarrow \vec{\theta}_{s,\lambda} = \lambda\vec{\theta}_s$



# MSD

## Why a problem?

- Observables are preserved!
- Problems: e.g. biased estimations of mass lens
- Biased estimation of cosmological parameter, e.g.  $H_0$

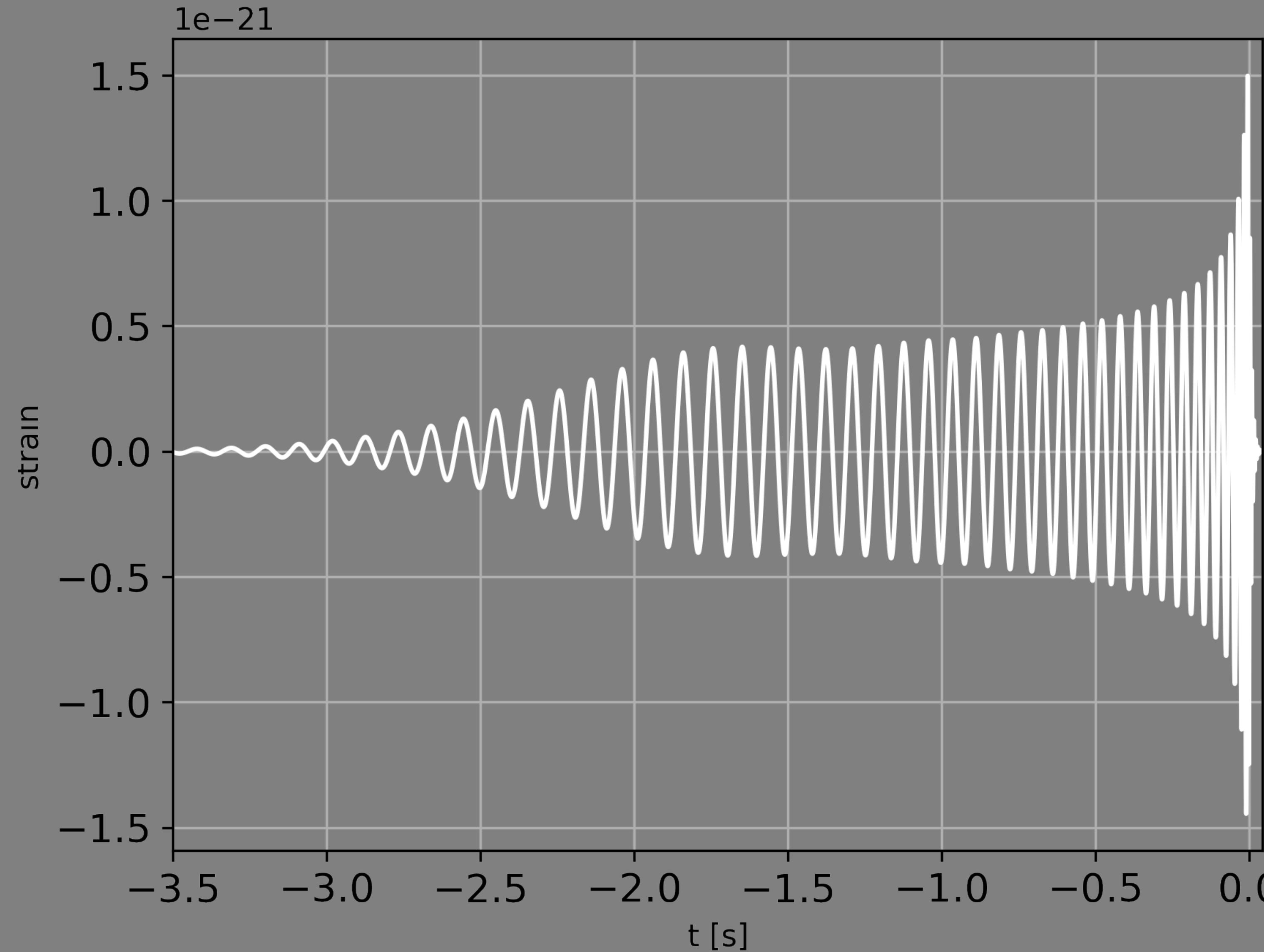
## Can we solve it?

- EM geometrical optics regime: multiple images; independent mass estimation of the lens (e.g. dynamics)
- EM wave optics regime: multiple lenses
- In **GW lensing**: 1 image and 1 lens can break MSD!

# Gravitational Waves Lensing

# GL of GW

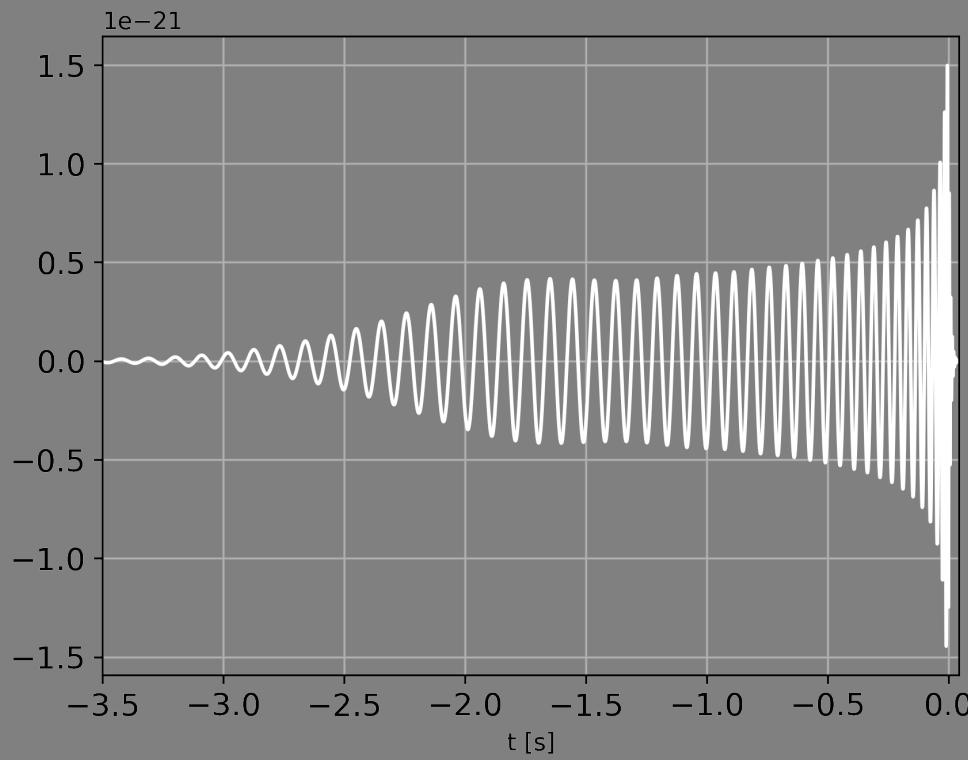
$h(t)$



# GL of GW

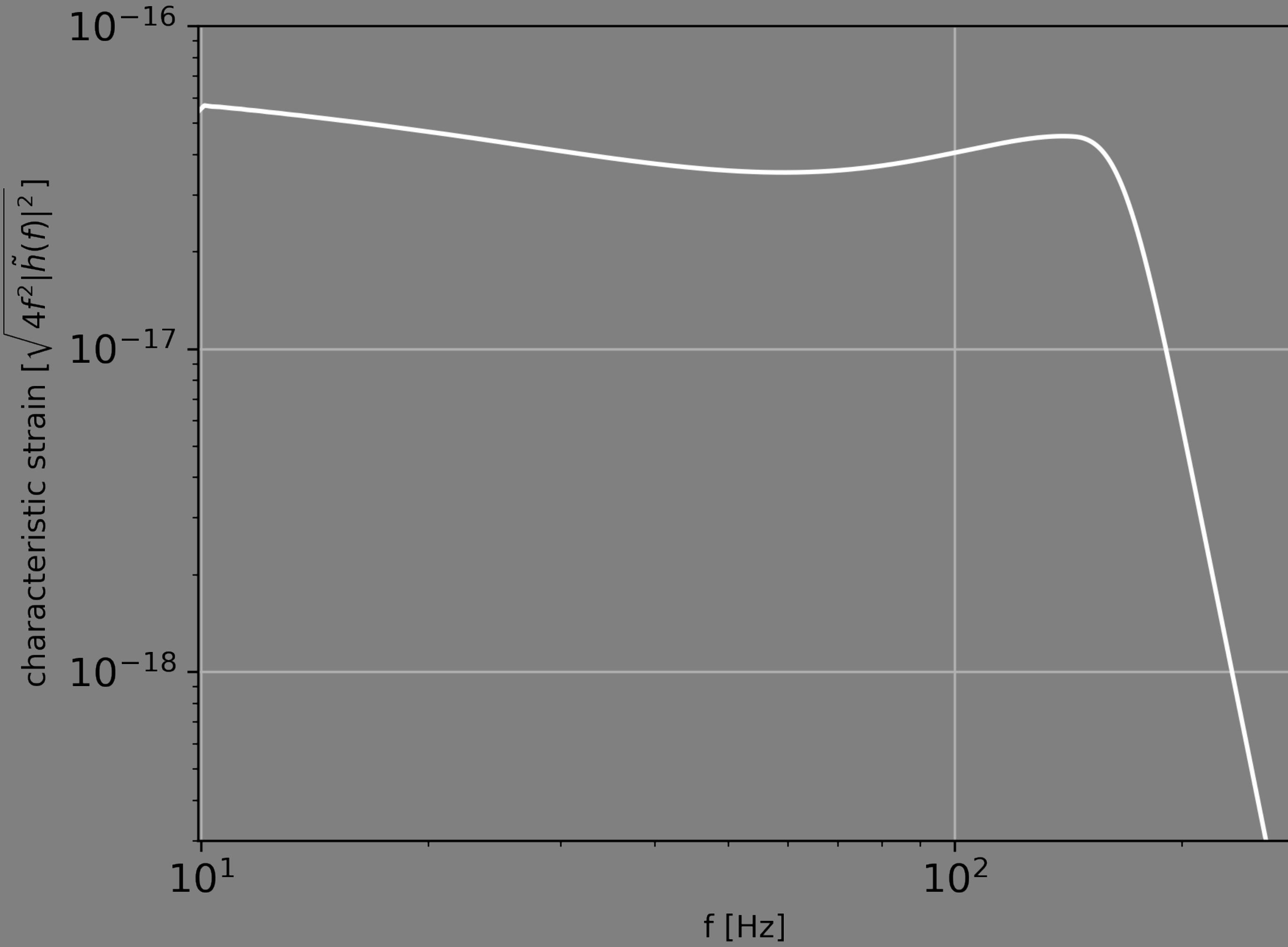
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(t) \cdot e^{-i2\pi ft} dt = \tilde{h}(f)$$

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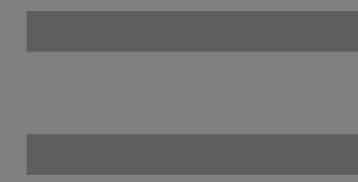
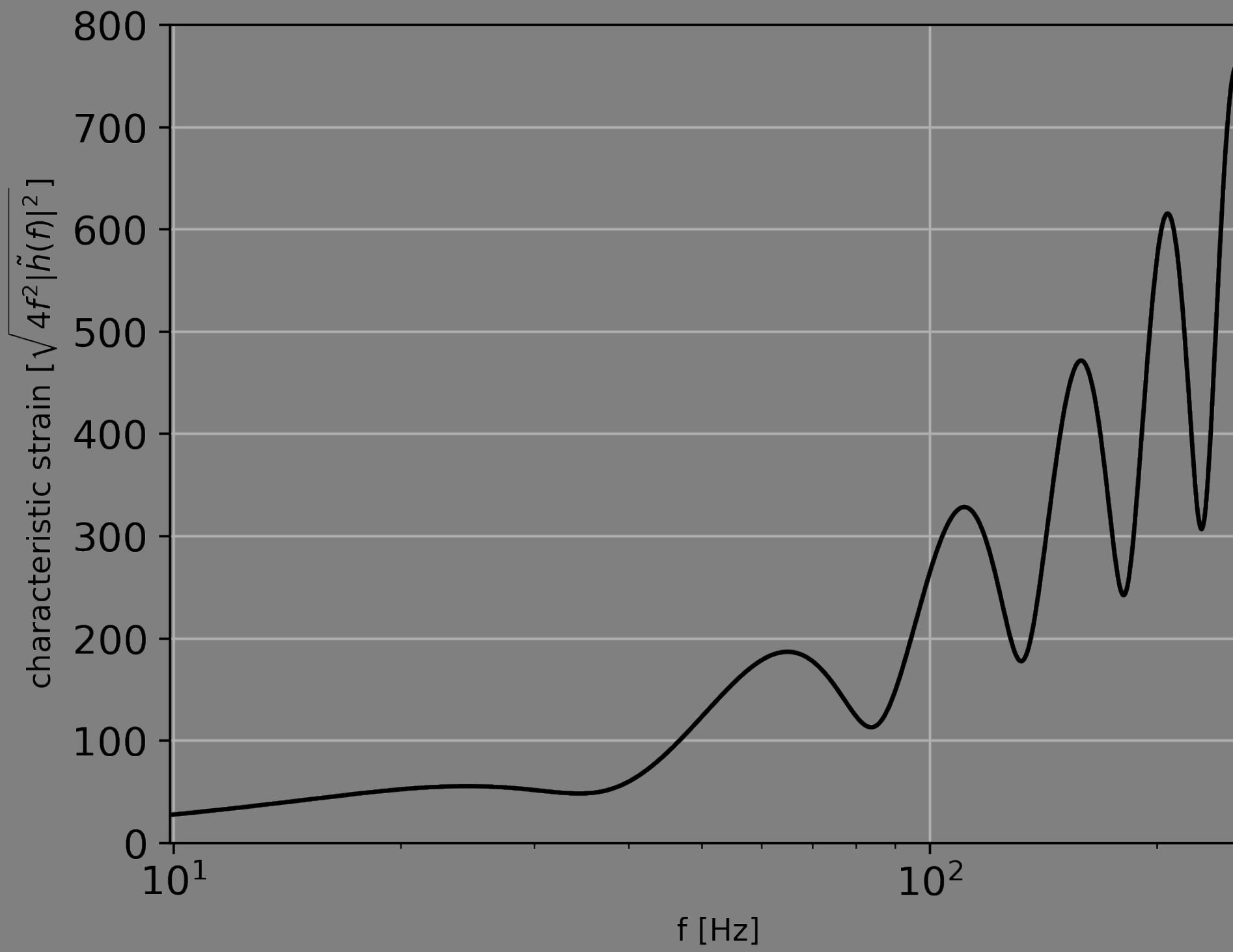
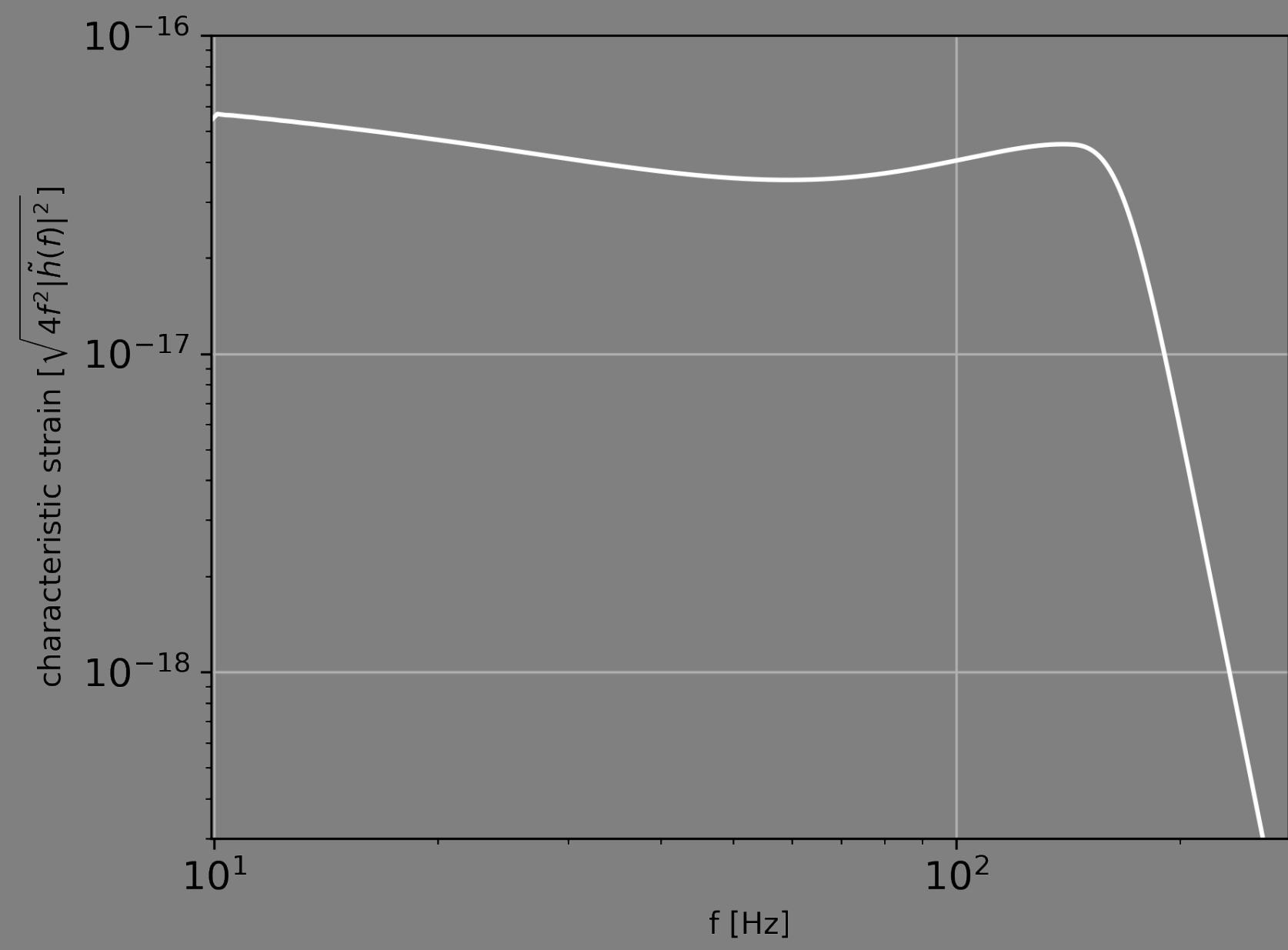
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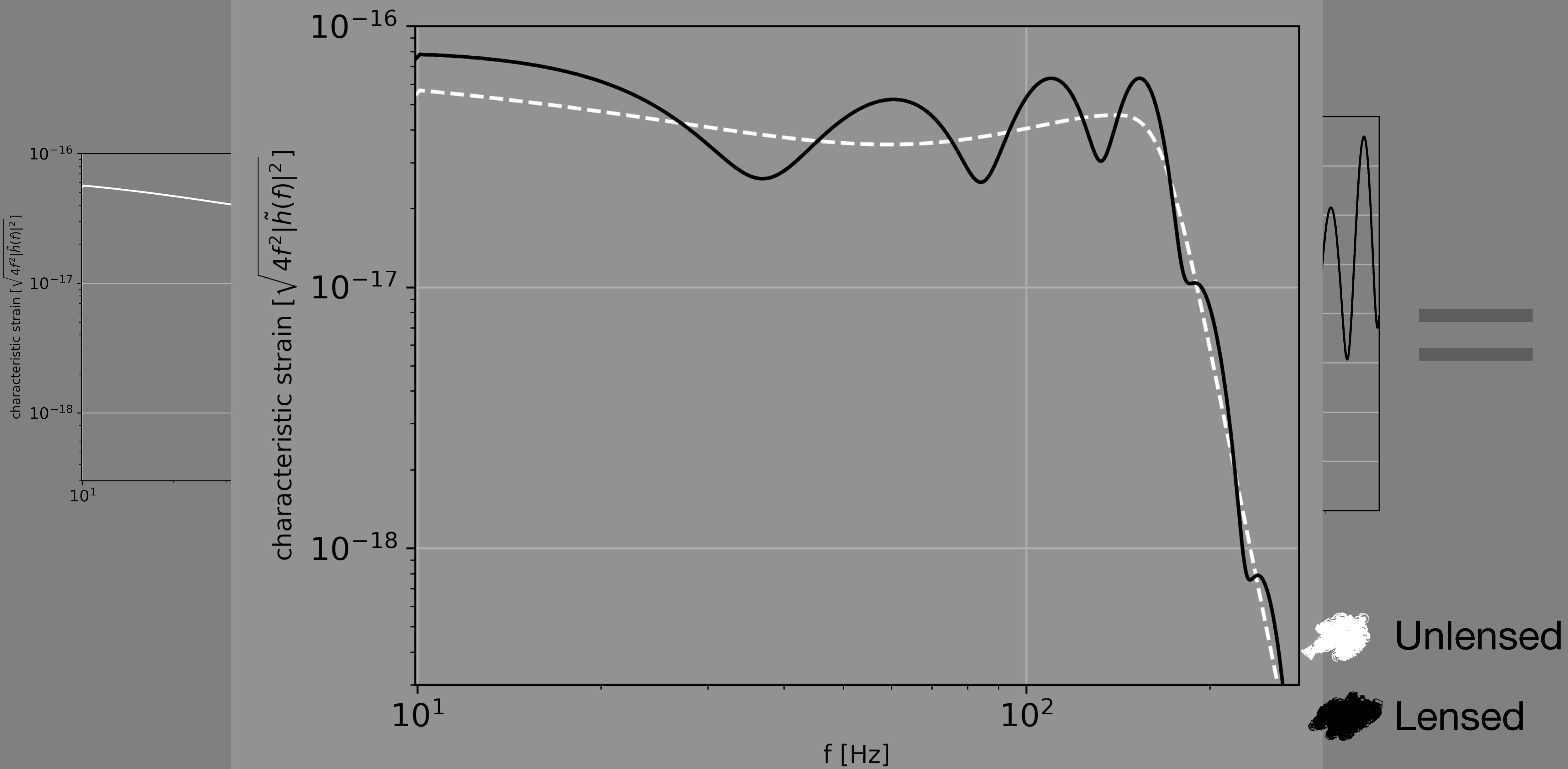
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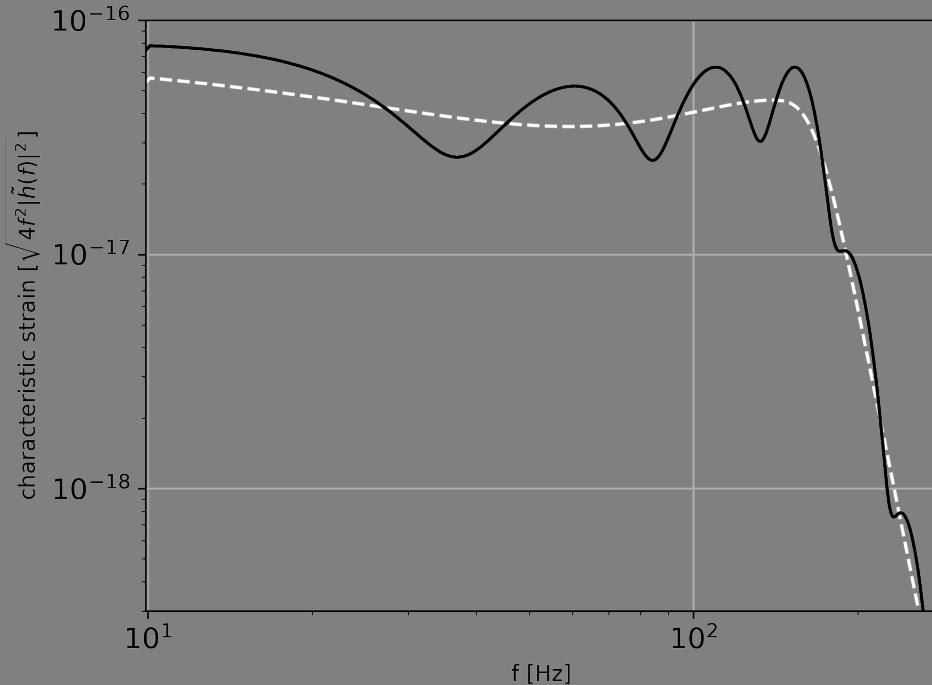
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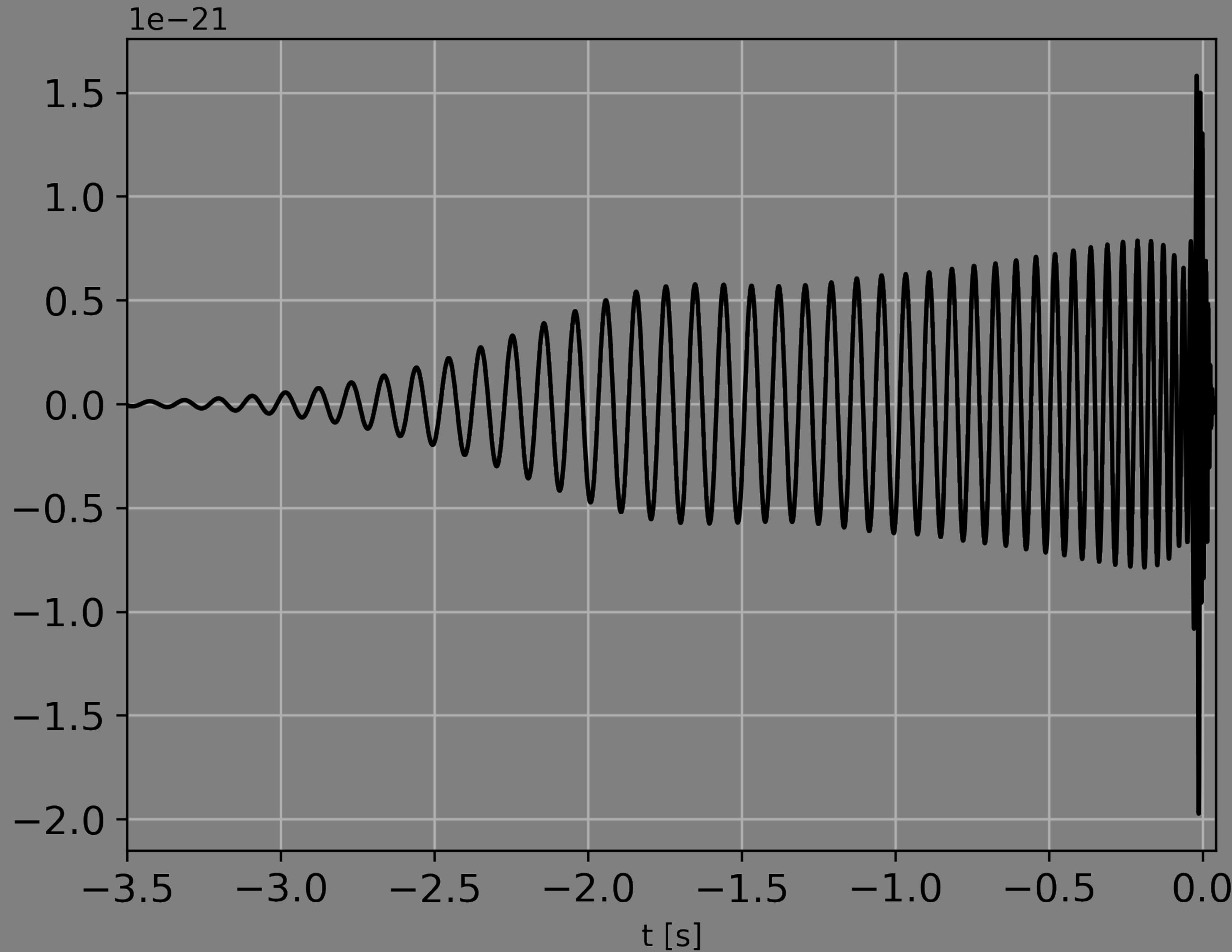
# GL of GW

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tilde{h}_L(f) \cdot e^{i2\pi f t} df = h_L(t)$$



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$$=$$



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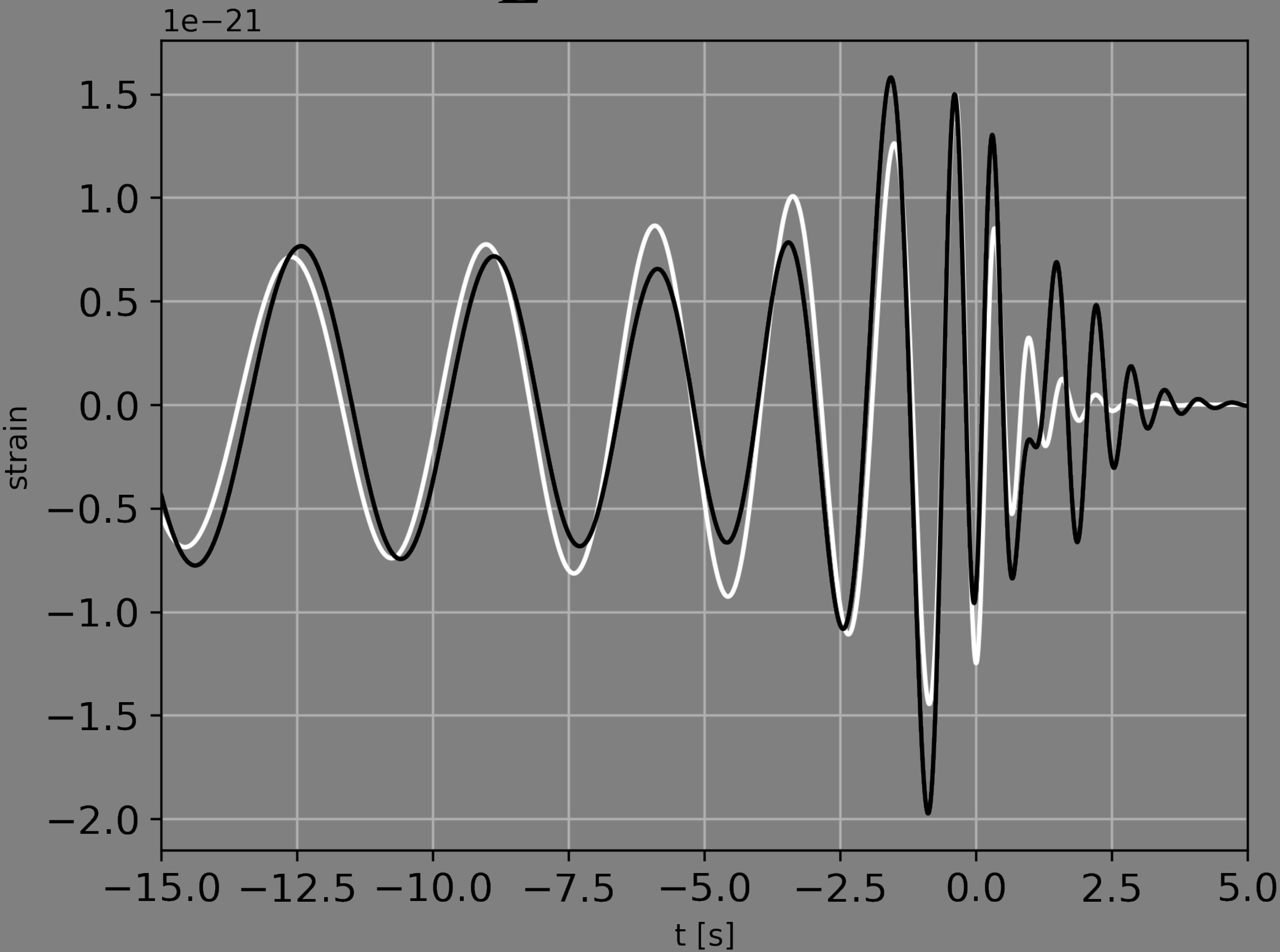
$h_L(t)$  vs  $h(t)$



Unlensed



Lensed



# Gravitational Lensing of Grav. Waves

- $\tilde{h}(f) \cdot F(f, \theta_s) = \tilde{h}_L(f)$

- $F(w, y) = -iwe^{iwy^2/2} \int_0^\infty dx x J_0(wx) \exp \left\{ iw \left[ \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \Psi(x) \right] \right\} \rightarrow F_\lambda$

- Where:

T. T. Nakamura and S. Deguchi, Progress of Theoretical Physics Supplement 133, 137 (1999).

- $w = \frac{1+z_L}{c} \frac{D_S D_L \theta_E^2}{D_{LS}} 2\pi f$

- $x = |\vec{x}| = |\vec{\theta}/\vec{\theta}_E|$

- $y = |\vec{y}| = |\vec{\theta}_s/\vec{\theta}_E|$

- $J_0$  - Bessel function of 0-th order

- $\Psi$  - dimensionless effective lensing potential

$$y_\lambda$$

$$\Psi_\lambda$$

NB: spherical symmetry!

# Lensed waveforms under mass-sheet transformation

Qualitative analysis

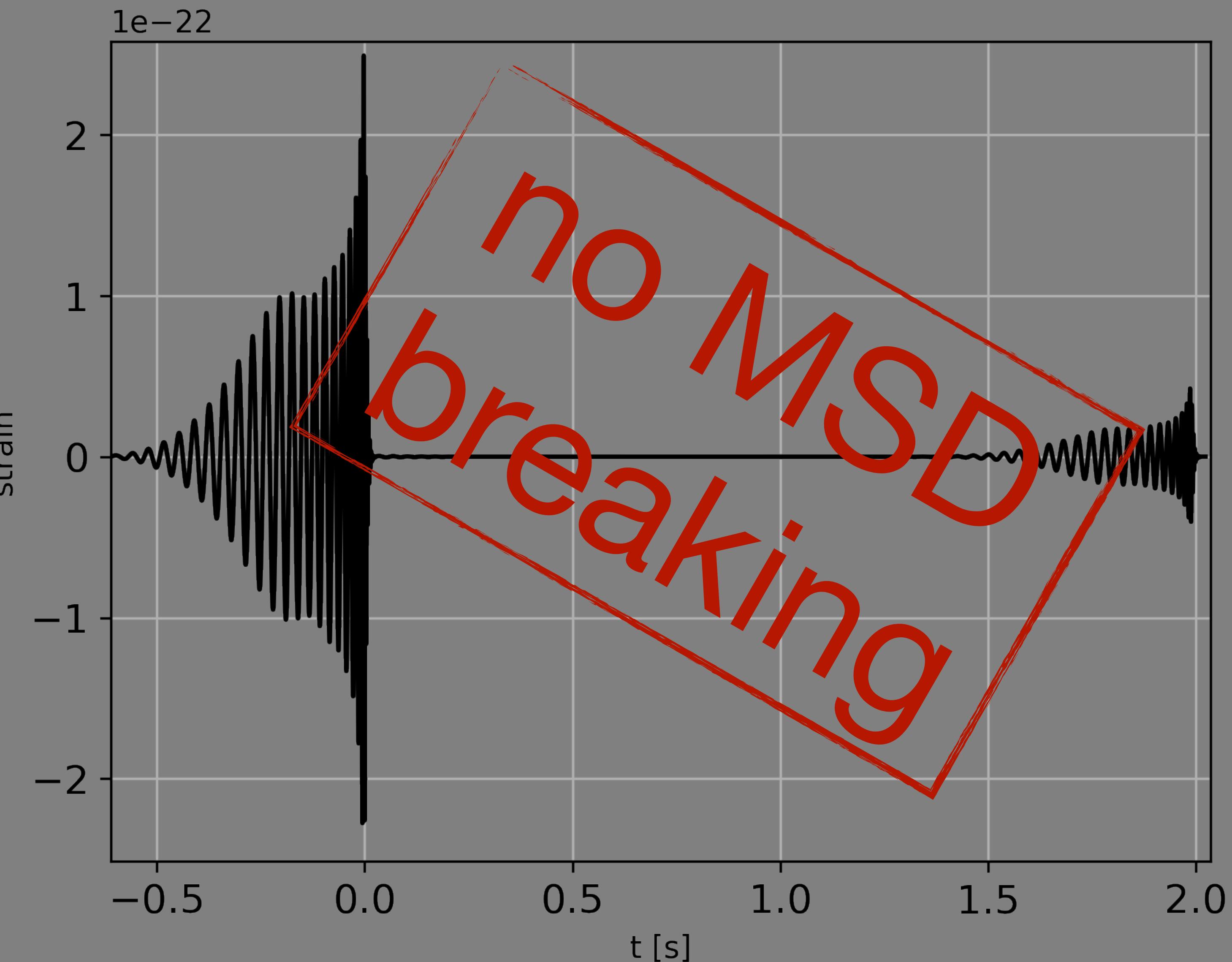
# Lensed GWs

3 regimes

- Geometrical Optics
  - $f \cdot \Delta t \gg 1$
  - $M_L > 10^5[(1 + z_L)f]^{-1}$

$$M_S = 60 M_\odot - z_S = 0.5$$

$$M_L = 10^4 M_\odot - z_L = 0.1 - y = 5$$



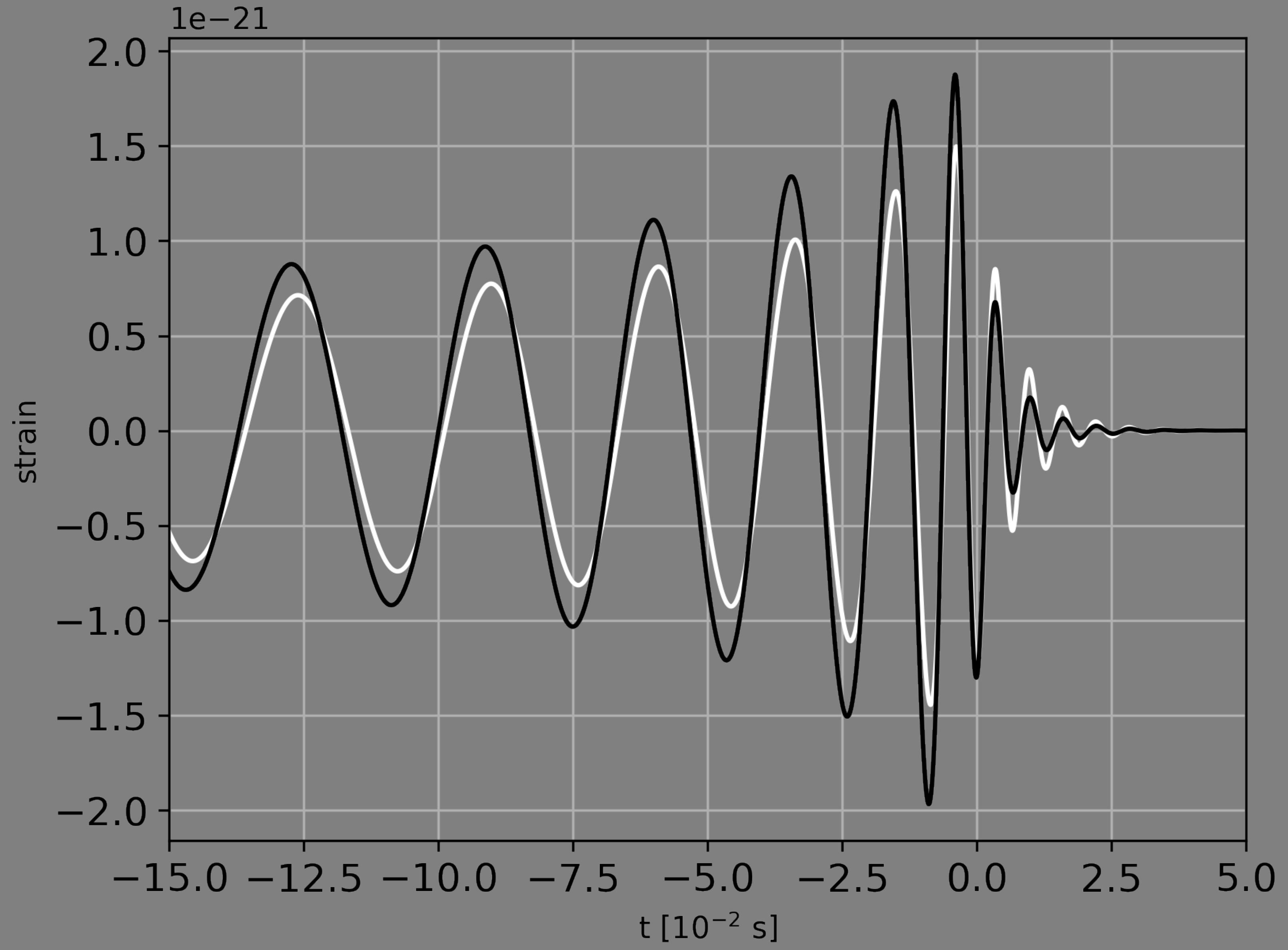
# Lensed GWs

3 regimes

- Wave Optics
  - $f \cdot \Delta t \lesssim 1$
  - $M_L \leq 10^5 [(1 + z_L)f]^{-1}$

$$M_S = 100 M_\odot - z_S = 0.1$$

$$M_L = 100 M_\odot - z_L = 0.01$$



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Lensed

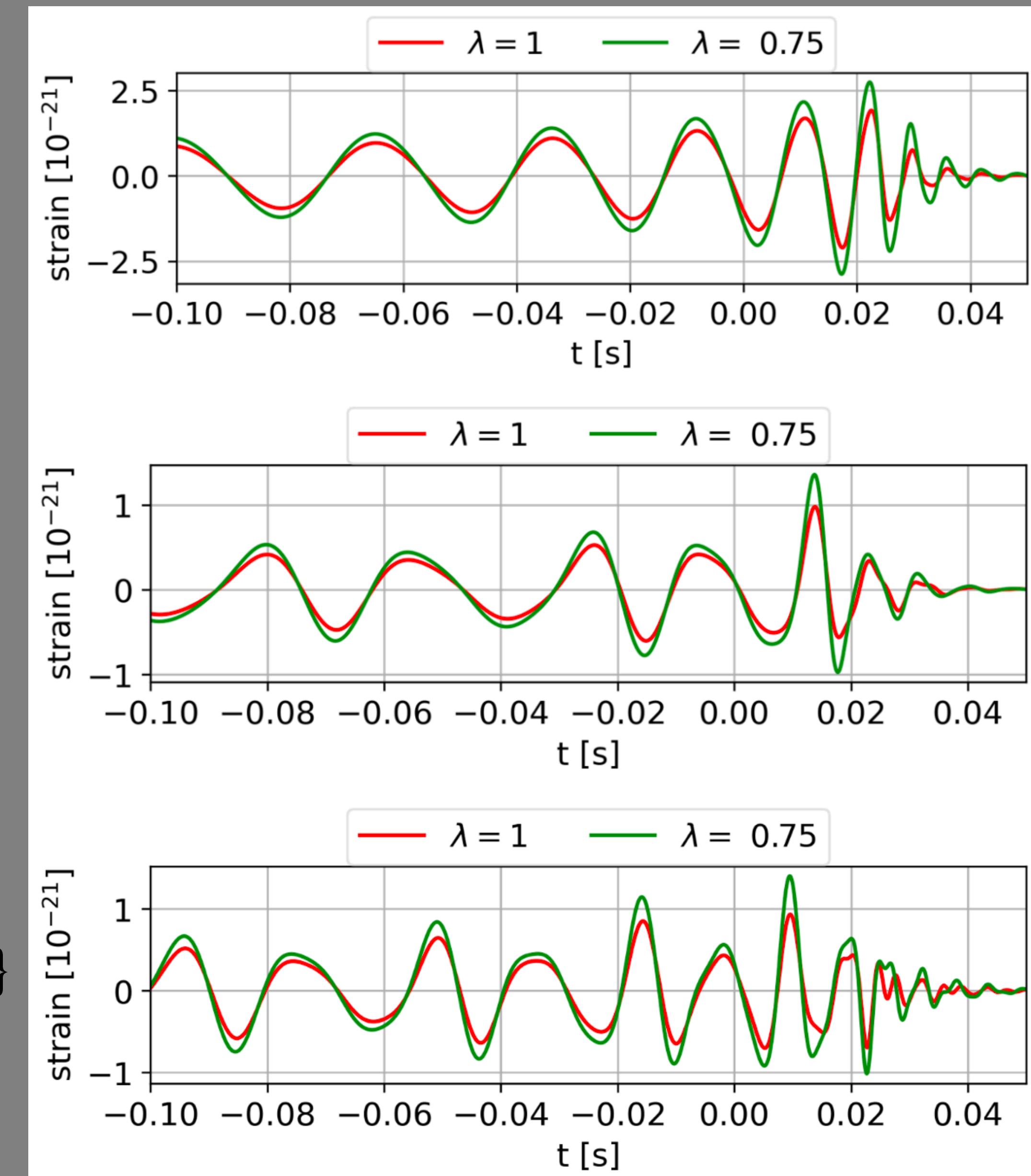
# Lensed GWs

$$q = \frac{m_2}{m_1} = 1$$

$$q = 0.1$$

$$q = 0.1 \text{ & } s_{1,2;z} = \{0.7, 0.2\}$$

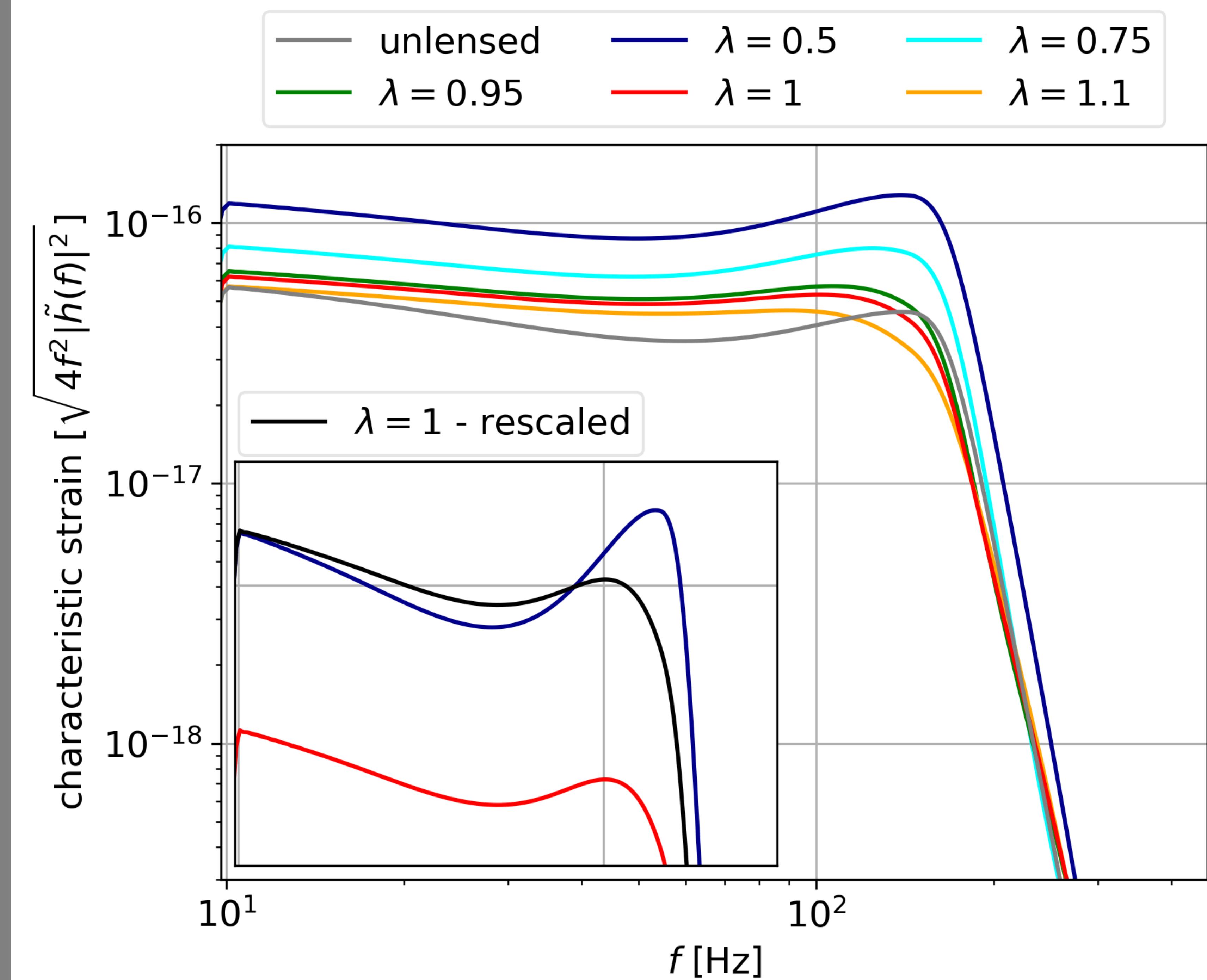
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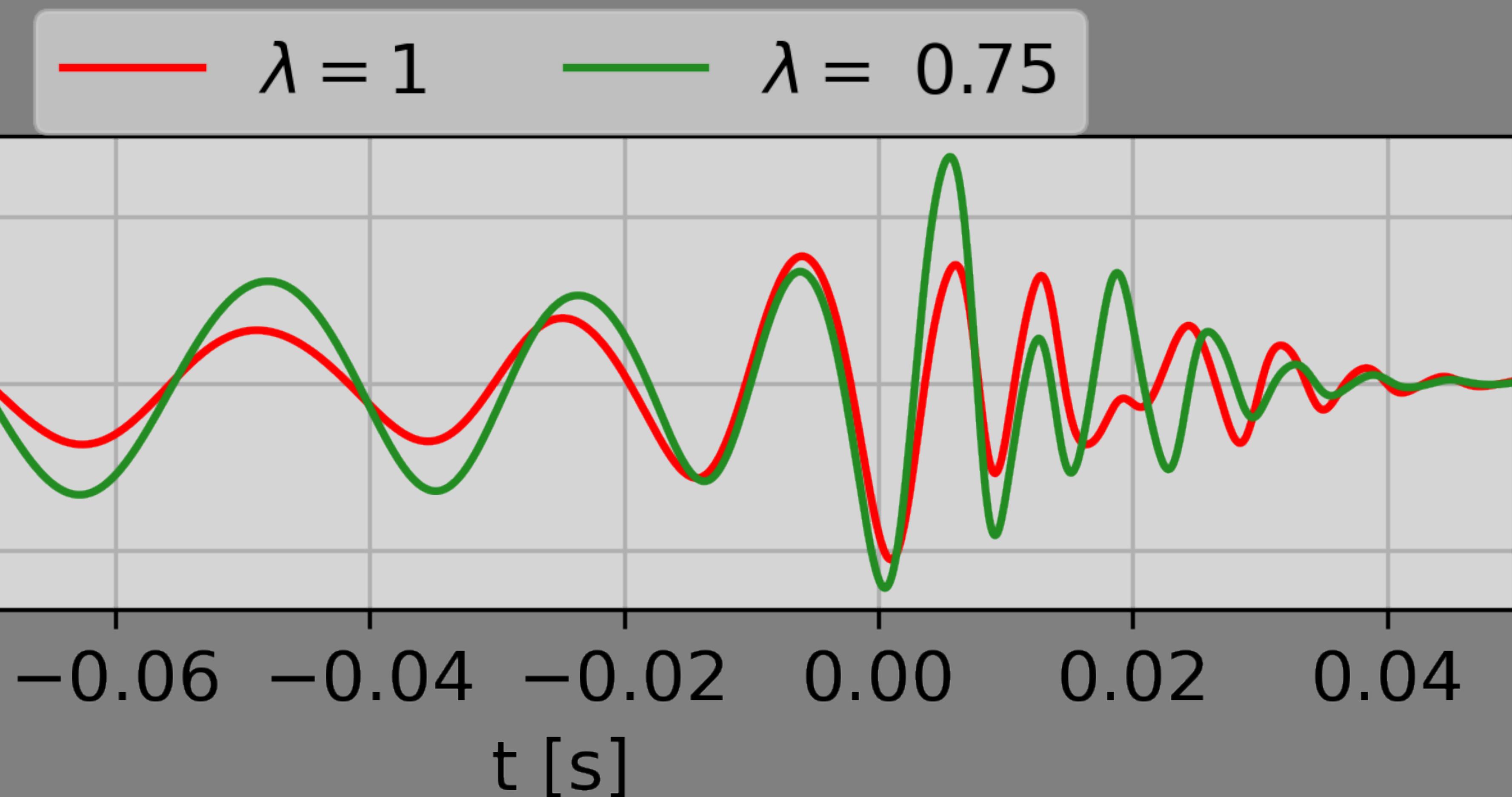
$$q = 1$$



# Lensed GWs

3 regimes

Interference regime:  $f \cdot \Delta t \approx 1$



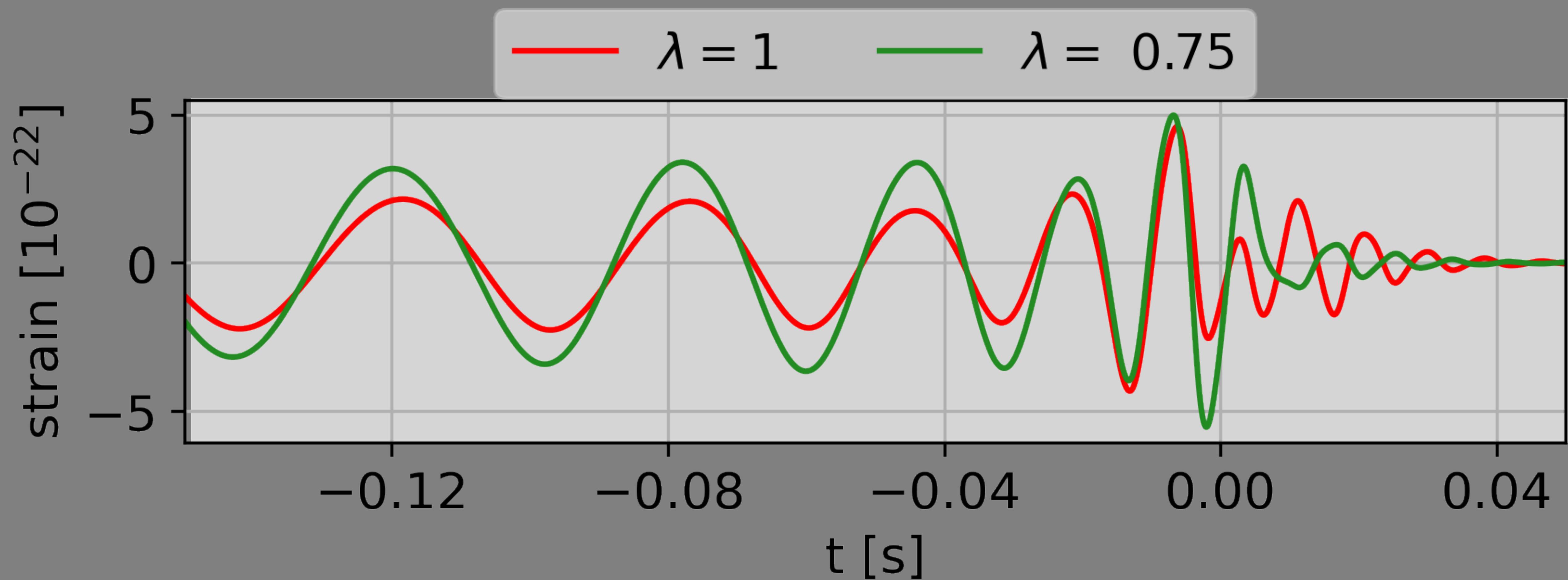
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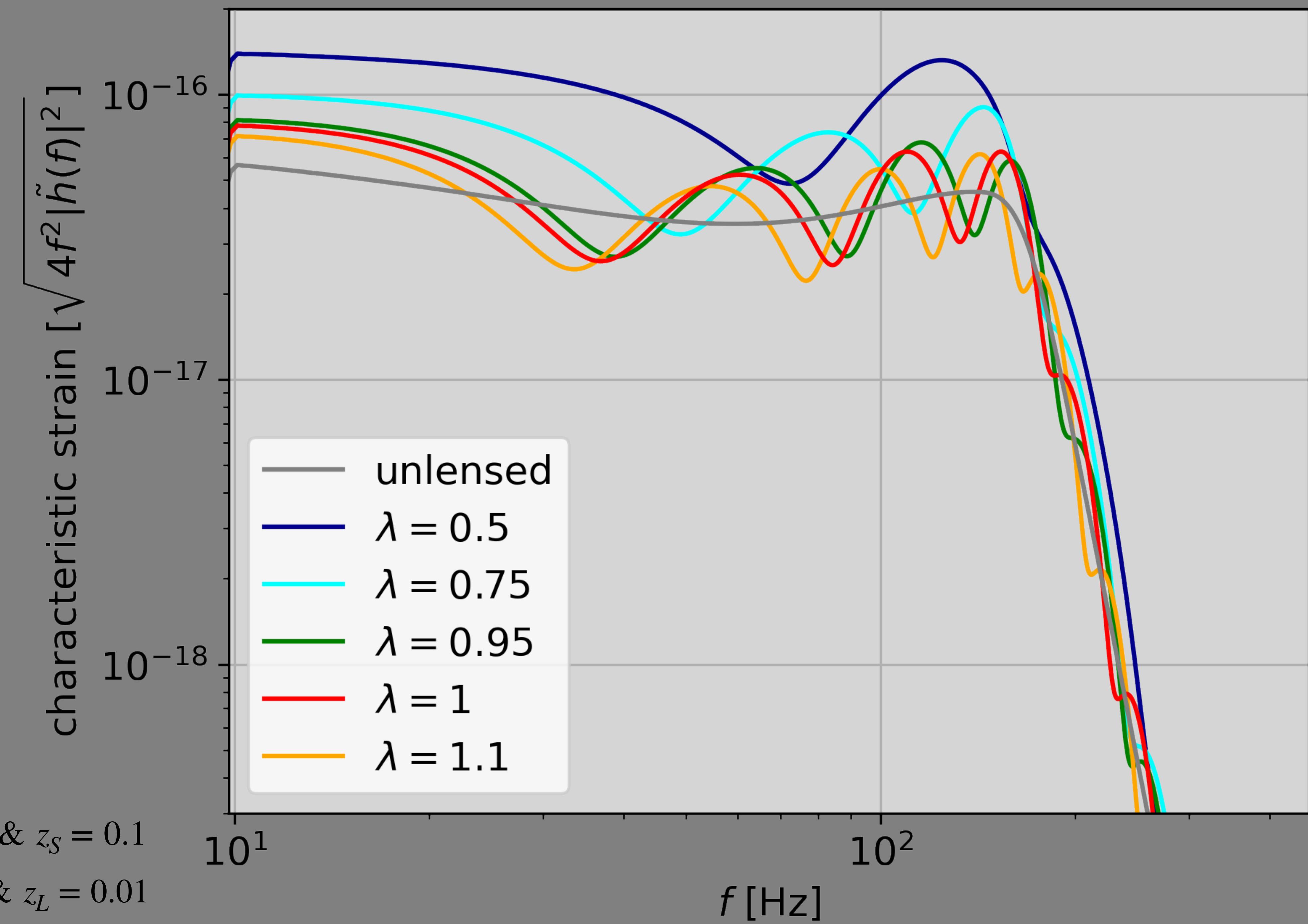
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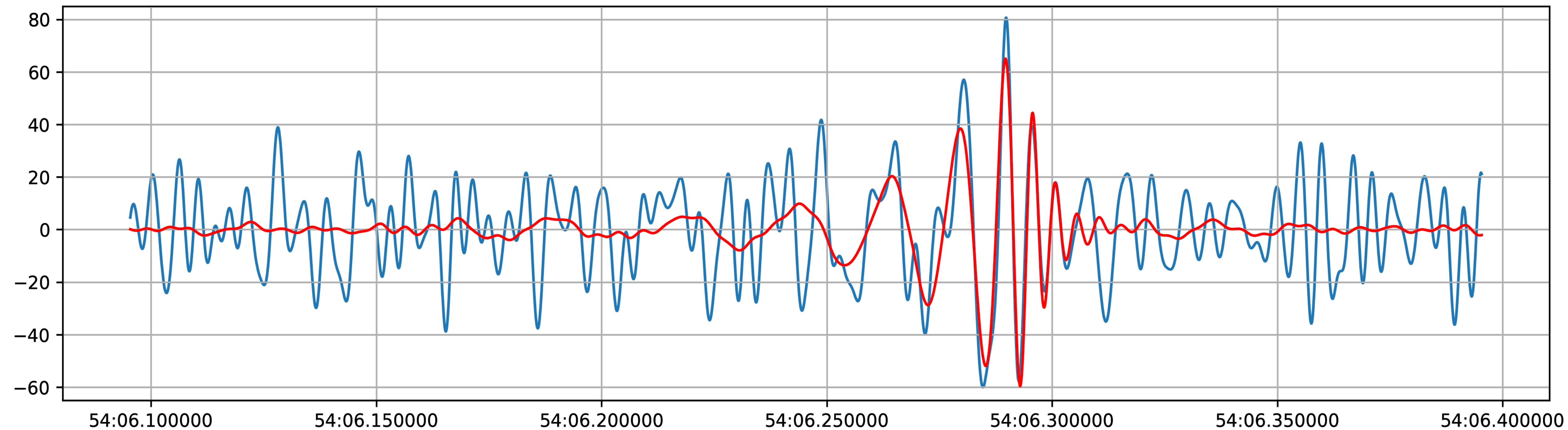


# **S/N - template matching**

Quantitative analysis

# S/N

Data  
Template



# Signal-to-Noise ratio

$$\rho = \frac{(s | h_T)}{\sqrt{(h_T | h_T)}} \approx \frac{(h | h_T)}{\sqrt{(h_T | h_T)}}$$

- $s(t) = h(t) + n(t)$

- Inner product:

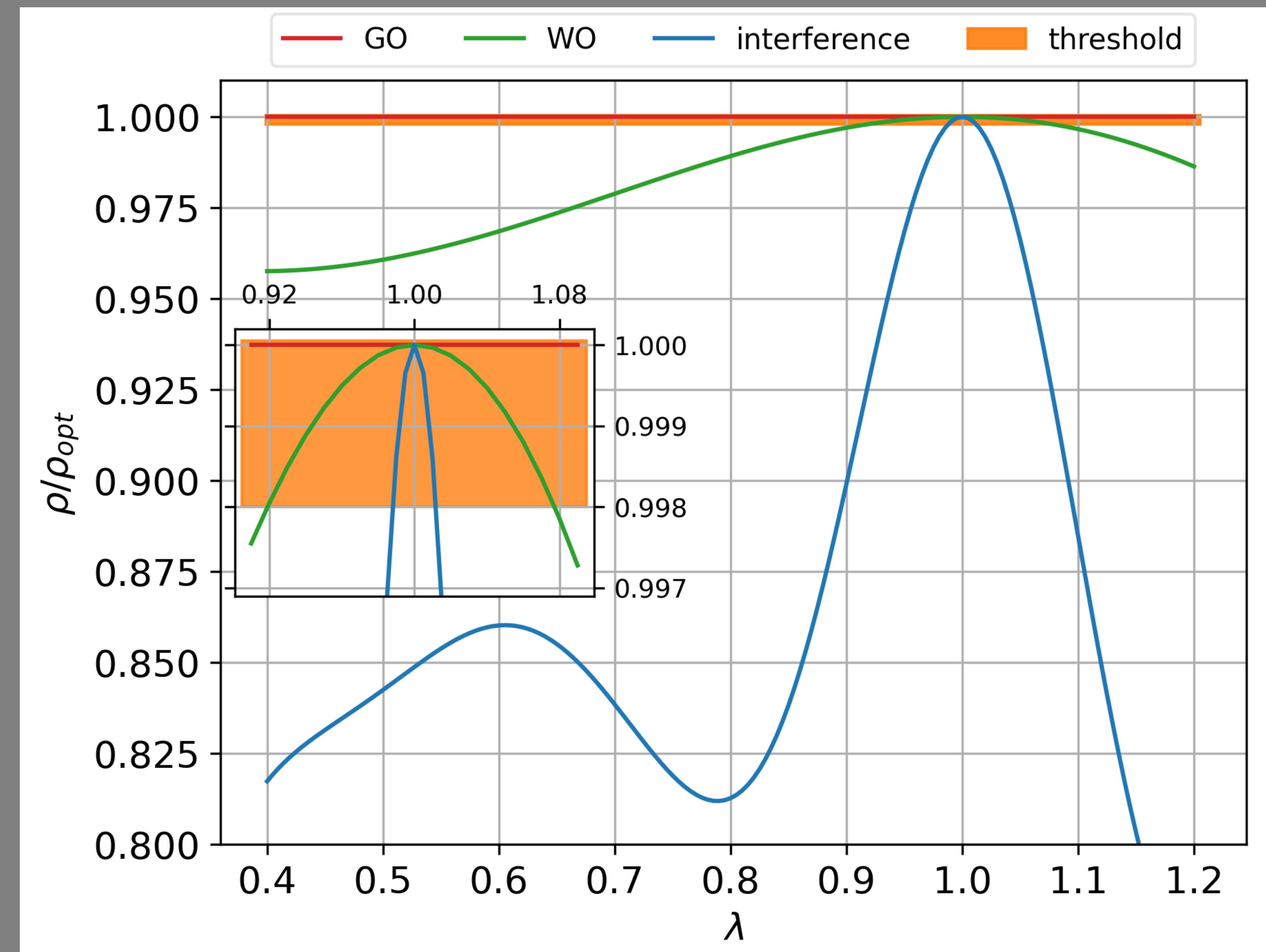
$$(a | b) = 4 \operatorname{Re} \left[ \int_0^\infty \frac{\tilde{a}(f) \cdot \tilde{b}^*(f)}{S_n(f)} df \right]$$

- $S_n(f)$  - (single-sided) power spectral density (L1-O3-LIGO)

Confidence region:  $\Delta\chi^2 \approx 2\rho_{opt}^2 \left[ 1 - \frac{\rho}{\rho_{opt}} \right]$        $3\sigma \rightarrow \Delta\chi^2 \approx 11.8$

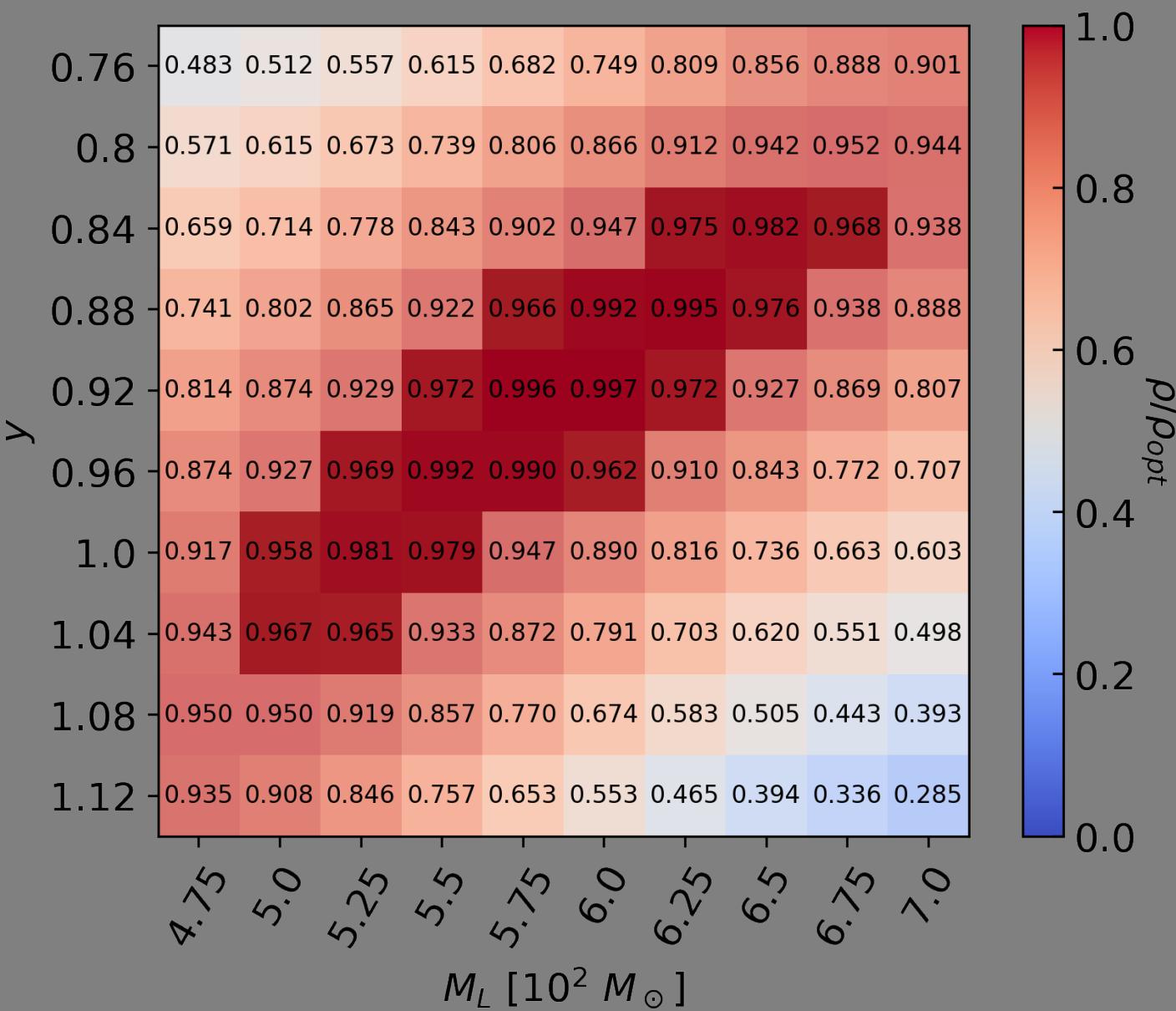
# S/N

- $M_S = 100 M_\odot$
- $z_S = 0.1$
- $z_L = 0.01$
- $3\sigma \rightarrow \Delta\chi^2 \approx 0.998$
- GO  
 $M_L = 500 M_\odot$   
 $y = 10$
- Int.  
 $M_L = 500 M_\odot$   
 $y = 1$
- WO  
 $M_L = 100 M_\odot$   
 $y = 1$

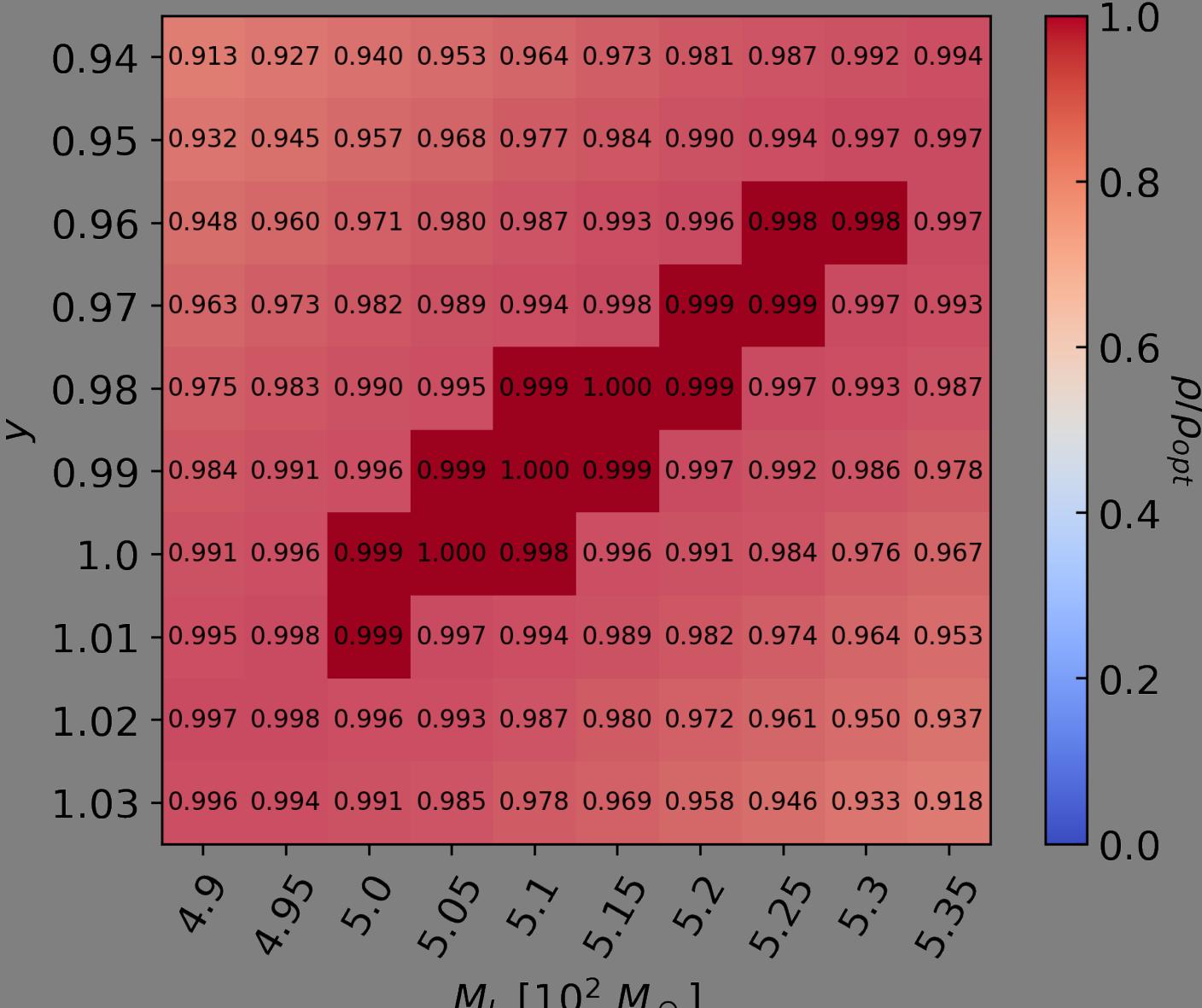


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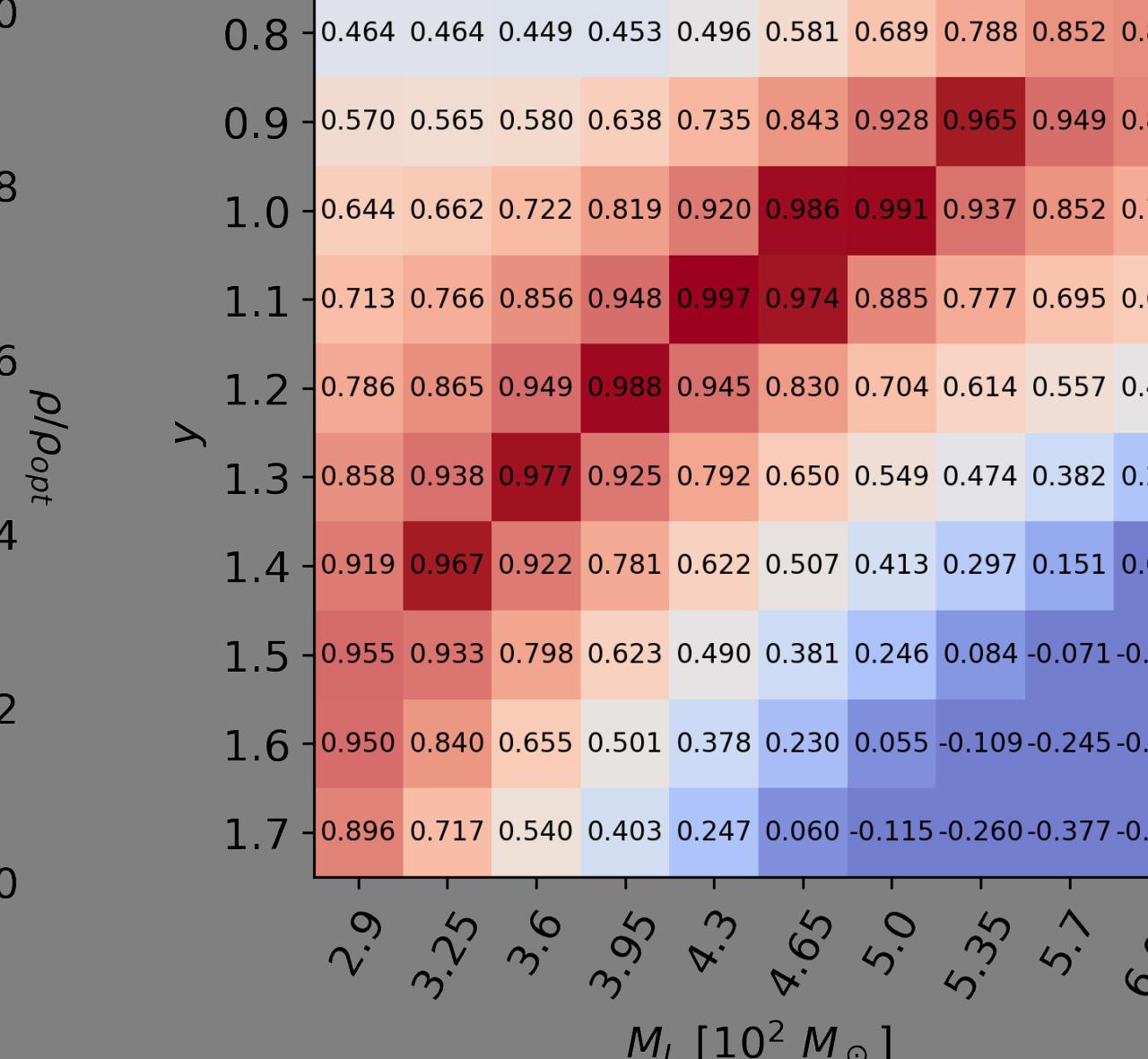
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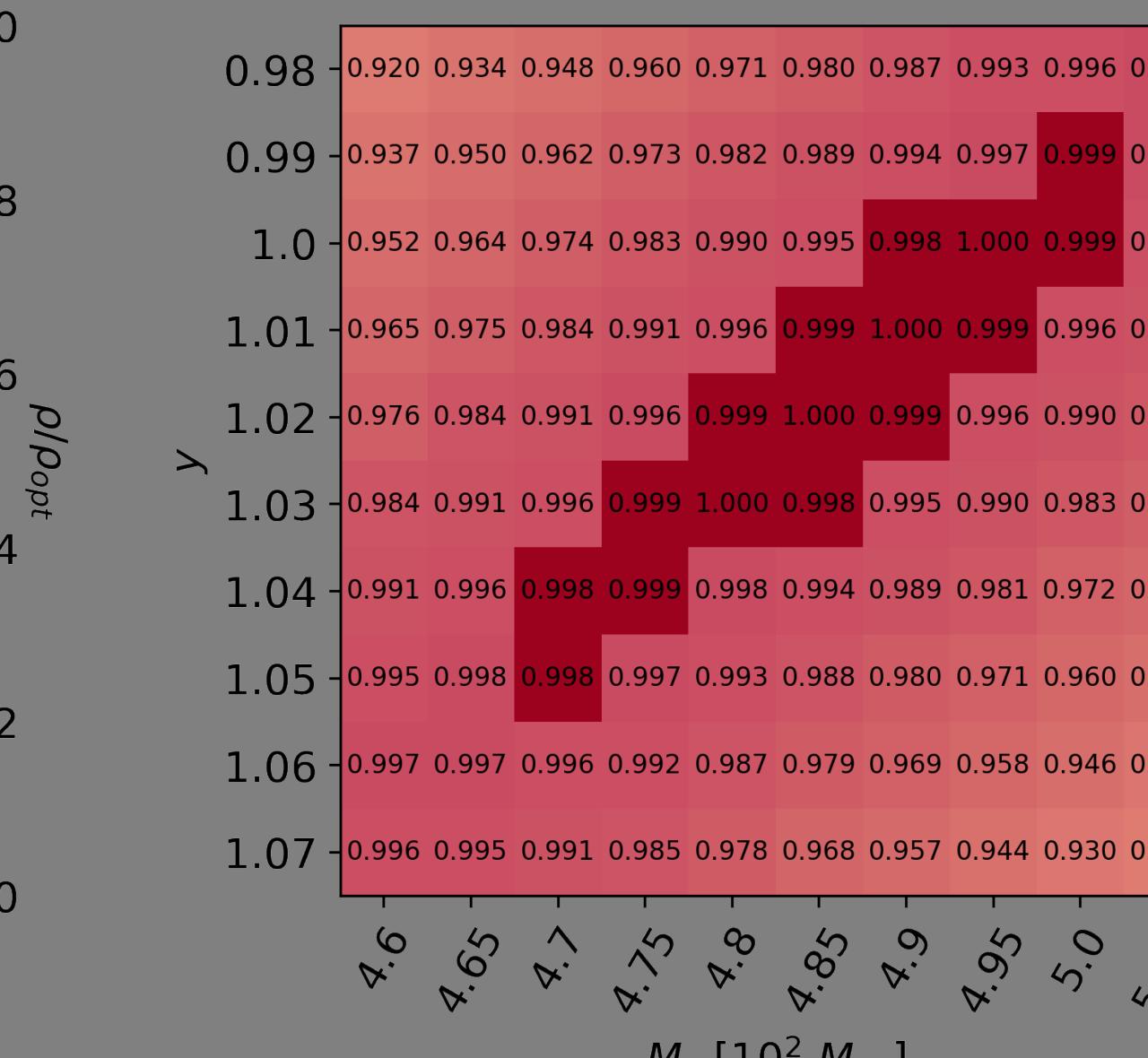
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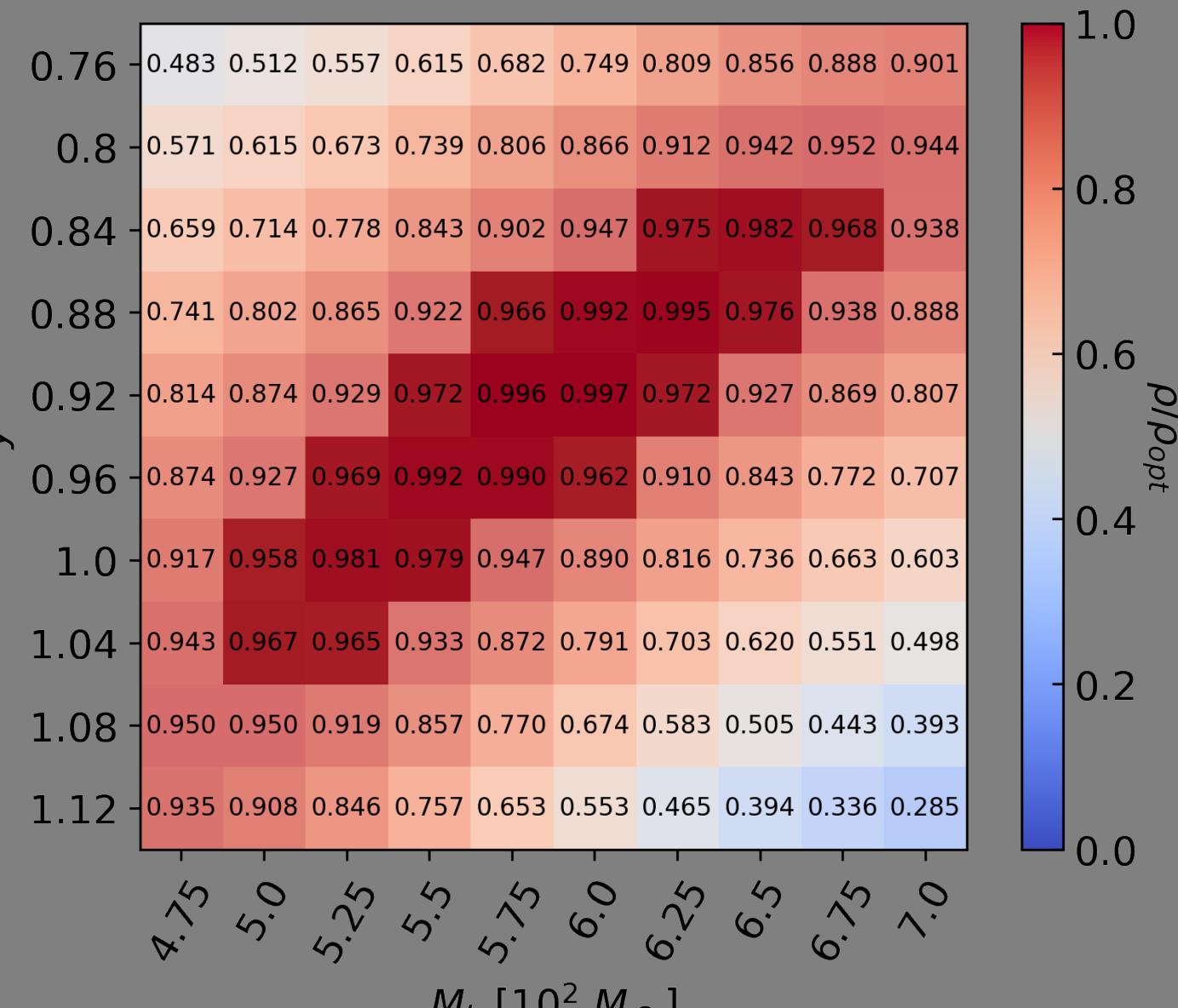
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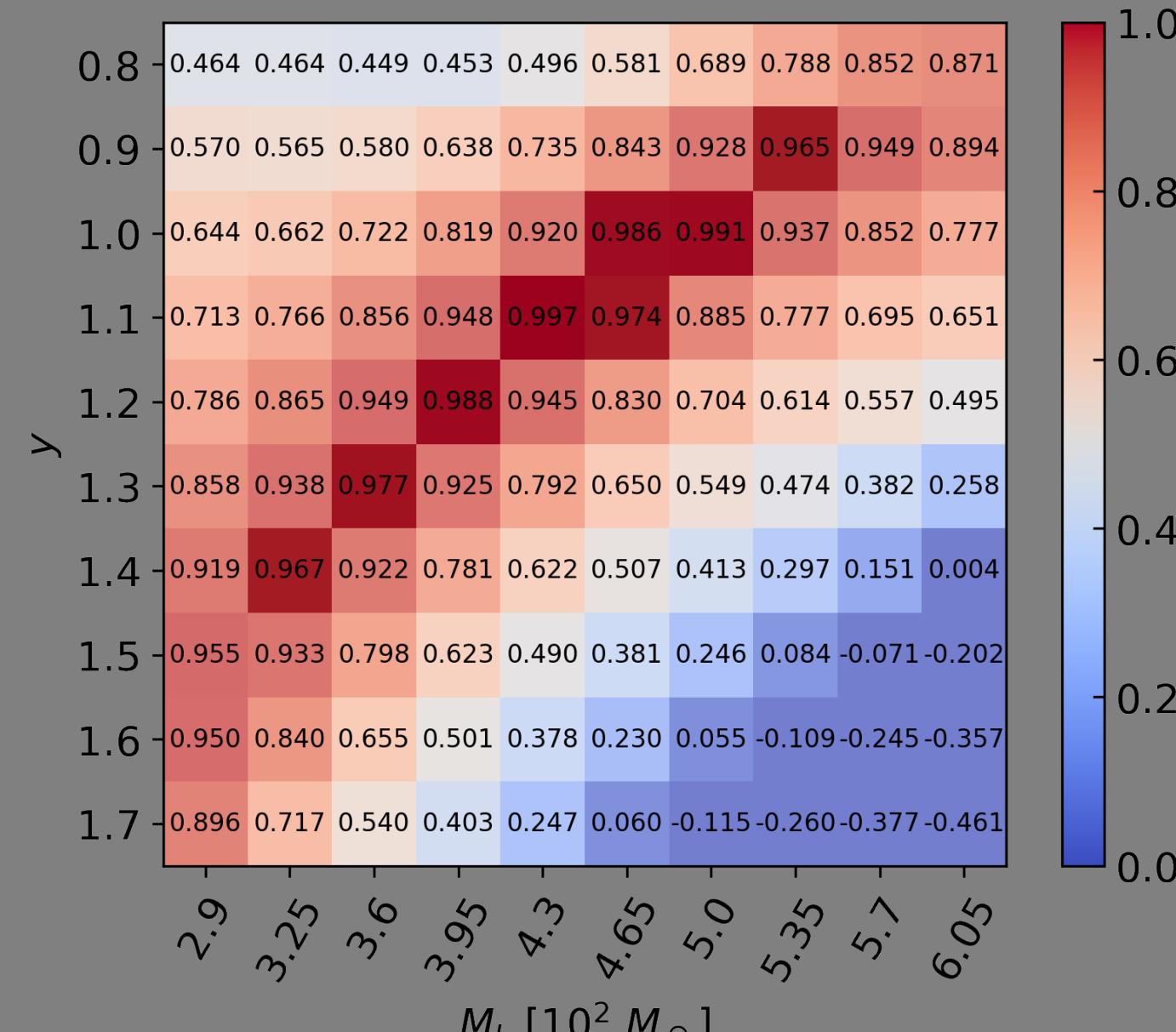
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Interference regime

$$\Delta y < 40\% \\ \Delta M_L \approx 35\%$$

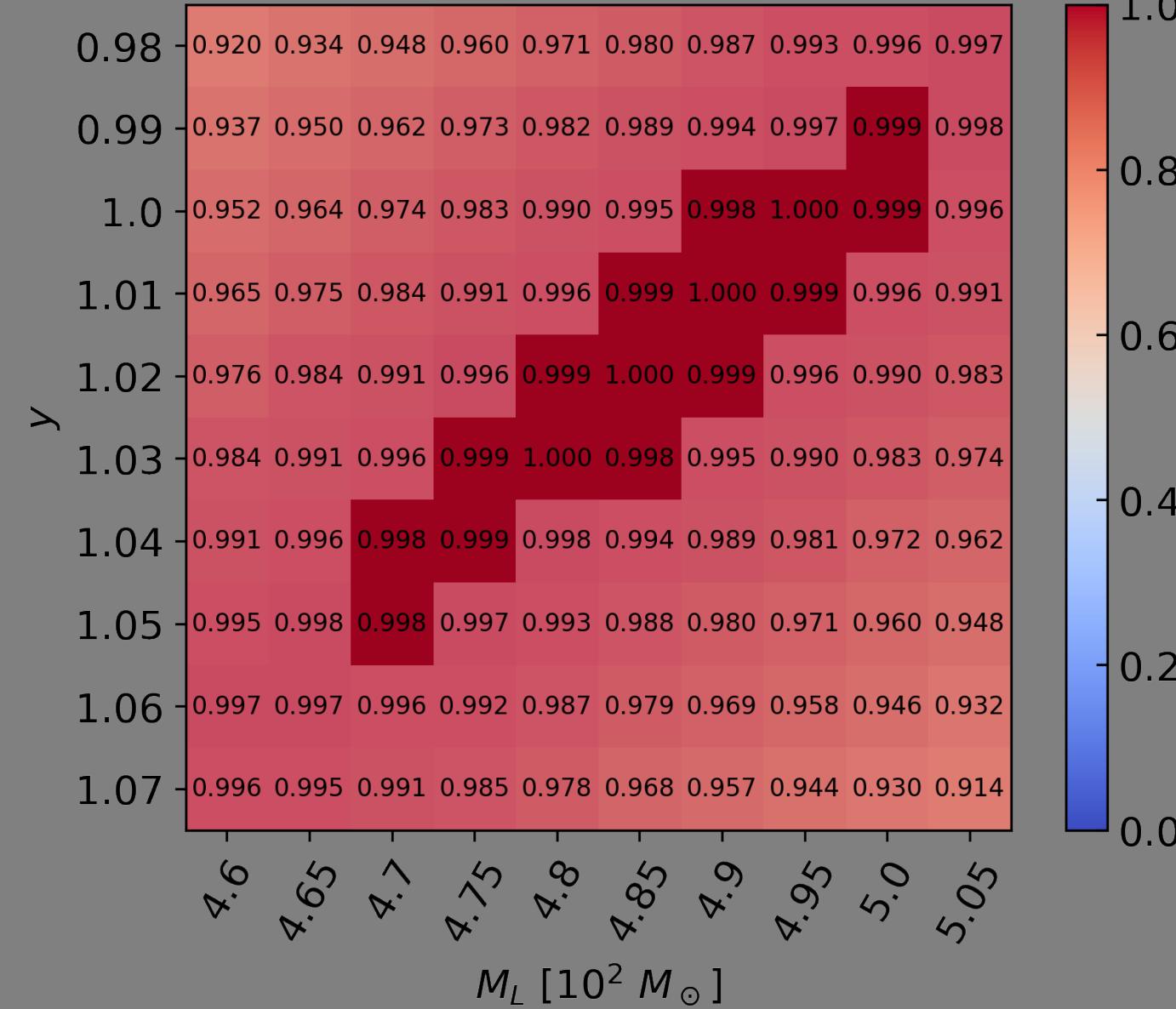
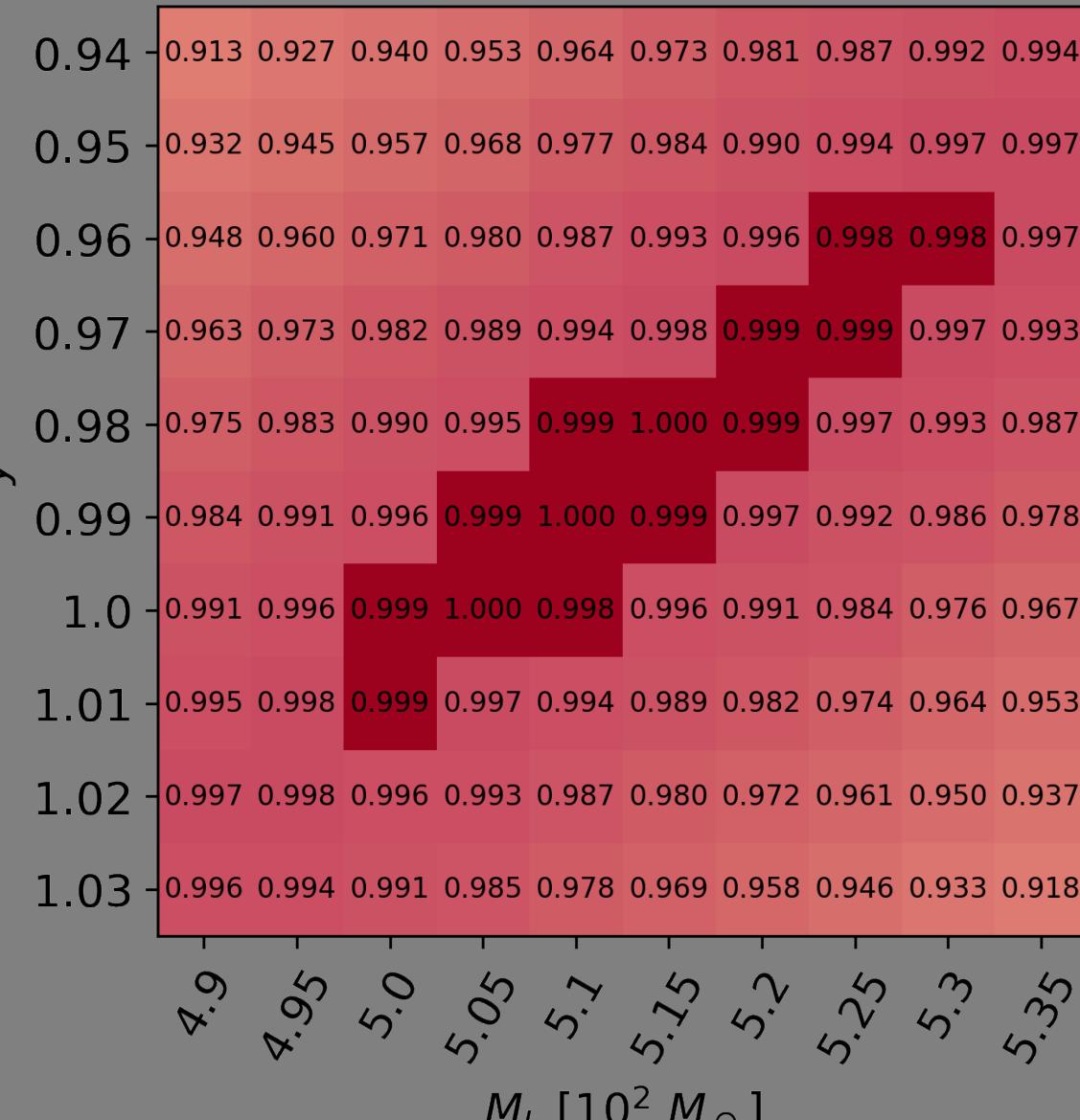


$$\Delta M_L \approx 12 - 20\%$$



$$\Delta y \approx 5\% \\ \Delta M_L \approx 6\%$$

$\rho_{opt} \approx 5.5$



$$\lambda_{min} = 0.99$$

$$\lambda_{max} = 1.01$$

# Conclusions

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# **Conclusions**

1. We analysed how MSD behave in GW lensing
2. In the GO regime it can not be broken
3. In WO can be broken in some cases
4. In interference regime is broken
5. How well it is broken depends on the strength of the signal and sensitivity of detectors. Nowadays we might have up to  $\Delta y \approx 5\%$  and  $\Delta M \approx 6\%$

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