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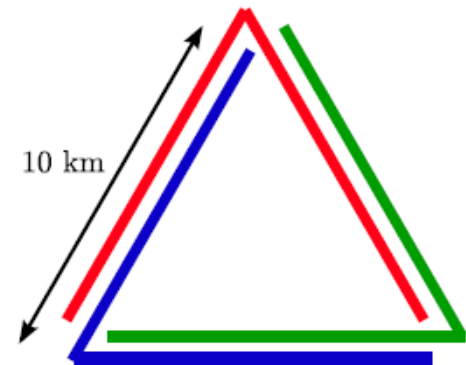


Figure 6: Three nested detectors in a triangular arrangement will form the final Einstein Telescope geometry.

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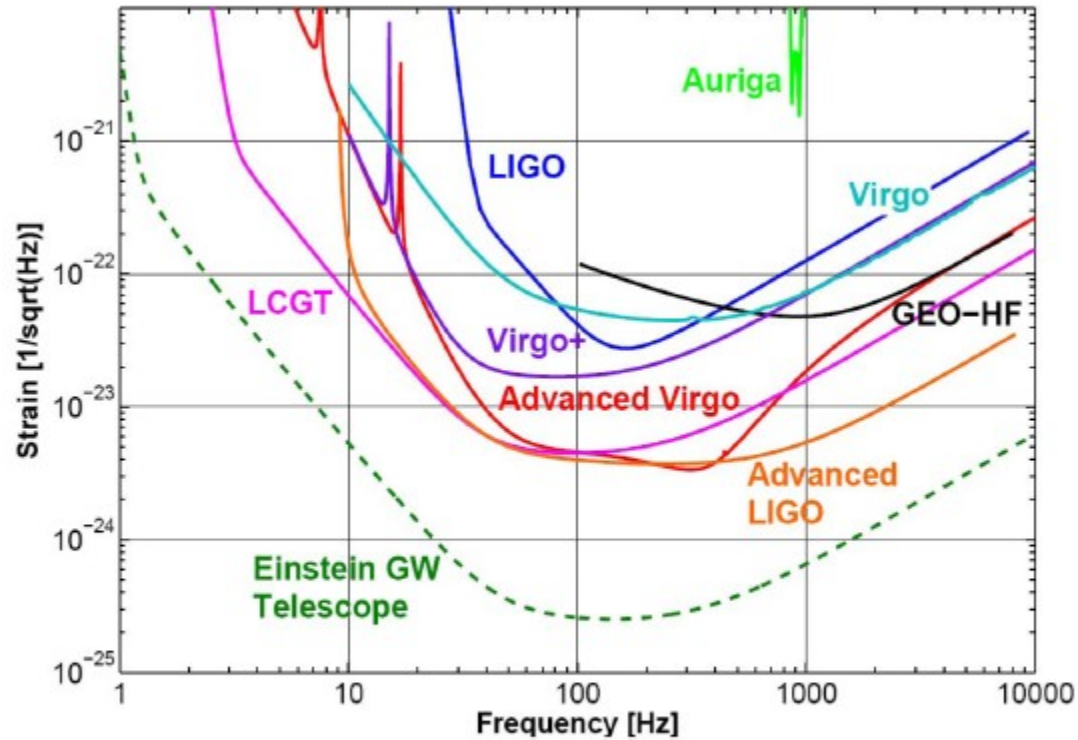


Figure 5: Sensitivities of gravitational wave detectors from the first to the third generation.

Table 2: Expected coalescence rates per Mpc^3 per Myr in the local universe ($z \simeq 0$). Also shown are predicted event rates in Advanced LIGO (aLIGO) and ET.

Source	BNS	NS-BH	BBH
Rate ($\text{Mpc}^{-3} \text{Myr}^{-1}$)	0.1–6	0.01–0.3	2×10^{-3} –0.04
Event Rate (yr^{-1}) in aLIGO	0.4–400	0.2–300	2–4000
Event Rate (yr^{-1}) in ET	$\mathcal{O}(10^3\text{--}10^7)$	$\mathcal{O}(10^3\text{--}10^7)$	$\mathcal{O}(10^4\text{--}10^8)$

ET will see sources to much higher distances than 2nd generation experiments

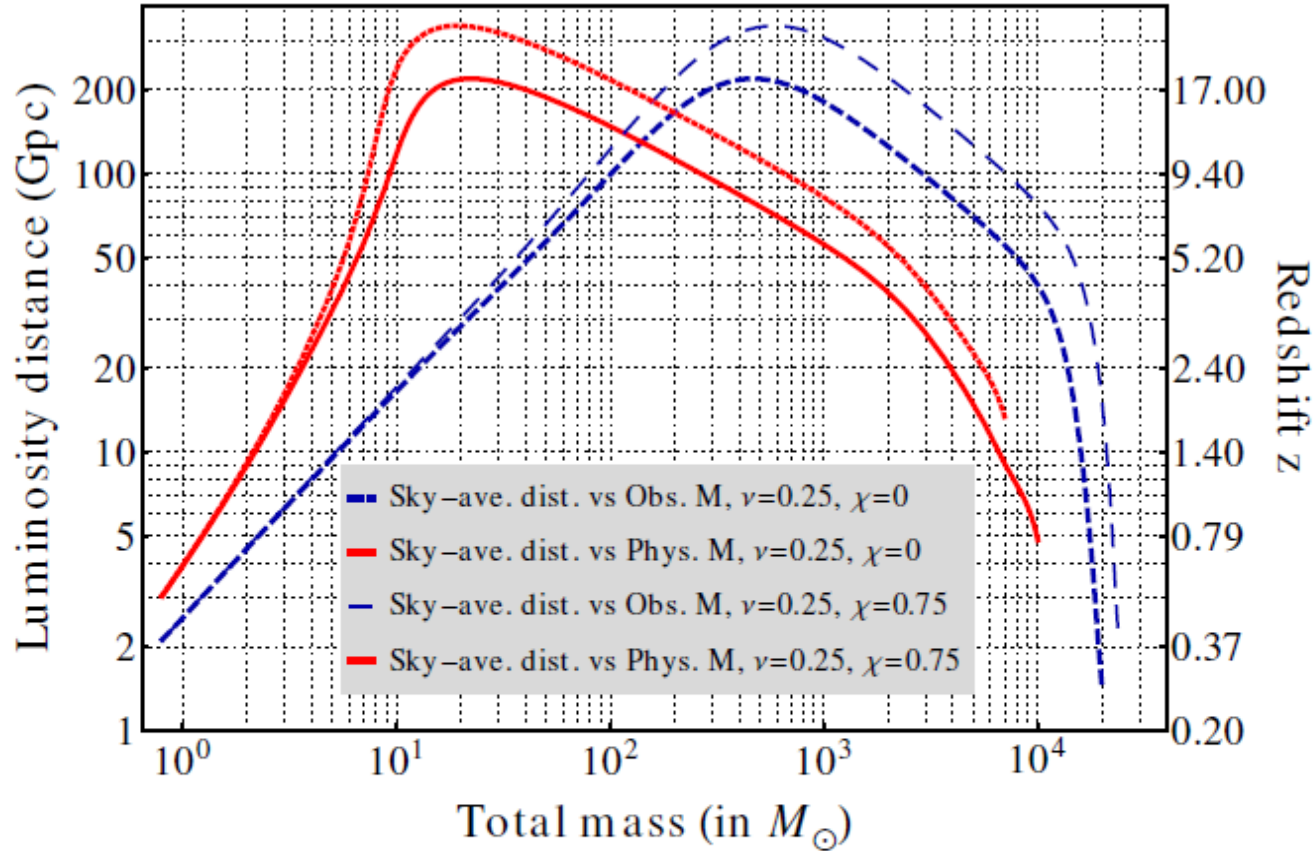


Figure 18: ET’s distance reach for signals from coalescing compact binaries as a function of the *intrinsic* (red curves) and *observed* (blue curves) total mass, averaged over sky position and binary’s orientation relative to the line-of-sight. We assume that a source is visible if it produces an SNR of at least 8 in ET. Solid red and short-dashed blue curves correspond to binaries composed of non-spinning objects. Dotted red and long-dashed blue curves correspond to binaries composed of objects whose spins are aligned with the orbital angular momentum of the binary, with spin parameter $\chi = 0.75$.

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- Some of them would be
gravitationally lensed

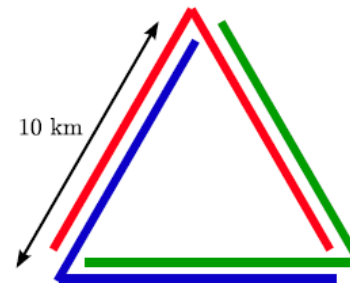


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1. DCO rate prediction

$$\dot{N}(> \rho_0 | z_s) = \int_0^{z_s} \frac{d\dot{N}(> \rho_0)}{dz} dz$$

yearly detection rate

Rate of inspiral events originating from sources in the redshift interval $[z, z + dz]$

$$\frac{d\dot{N}(> \rho_0)}{dz_s} = 4\pi \left(\frac{c}{H_0} \right)^3 \frac{\dot{n}_0(z_s)}{1+z_s} \frac{\bar{r}^2(z_s)}{E(z_s)} C_{\Theta}(x(z_s))$$

Detector's reach

Original configuration $r_0 = 1527 \text{ Mpc}$

„xylophone” configuration $r_0 = 1918 \text{ Mpc}$

cosmology - Λ CDM

$$E(z) = \sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}$$

intrinsic inspiral rate

StarTrack population synthesis evolutionary code

DOUBLE COMPACT OBJECTS II: COSMOLOGICAL MERGER RATES

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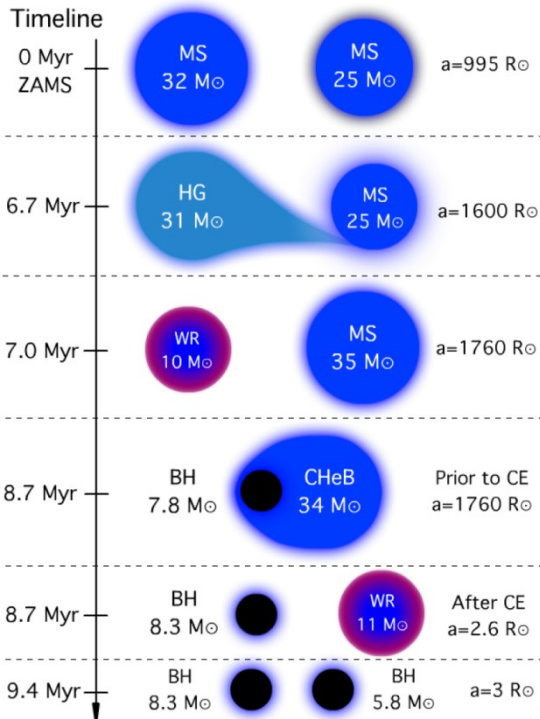
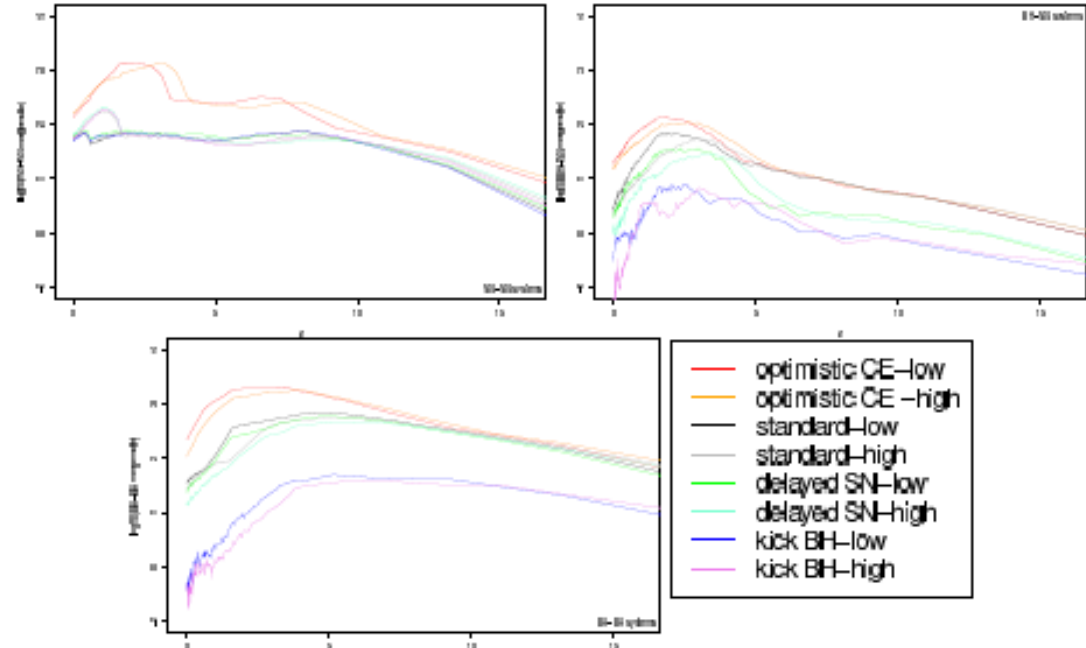
Data available from
<https://www.syntheticuniverse.org>

Merger rates according to M. Dominik et al. 2013

Thoroughly motivated assumptions:

- star formation rates
- galaxy mass distribution
- stellar populations and their metallicities
- galaxy metallicity evolution „high-end” „low-end”

StarTrack



Four binary evolution scenarios:

- Standard
- Optimistic Common Envelope (OCE)
- Delayed SN explosion
- High BH kick

We assumed median values of DCO chirp masses

Yearly detection rate	standard	optimistic CE	delayed SN	high BH kicks
$\dot{N}(> \rho_0)$ [yr^{-1}] for NS-NS				
initial design	3834.8	11631.8	4303.4	3683.1
“xylophone” design	6948.8	23399.3	7832.8	6879.7
$\dot{N}(> \rho_0)$ [yr^{-1}] for BH-NS				
initial design	3468.1	11539.3	1939.9	434.1
“xylophone” design	6004.5	17704.5	3302.5	715.8
$\dot{N}(> \rho_0)$ [yr^{-1}] for BH-BH				
initial design	105703.3	494917.5	81848.4	4955.6
“xylophone” design	144801.9	619555.5	113879.8	7411.1
$\dot{N}(> \rho_0)$ [yr^{-1}] for total				
initial design	113006.2	518088.5	88091.7	9072.8
“xylophone” design	157755.2	660659.3	125015.1	15006.6

Table 1. Yearly detection rate of inspiralling DCOs of different classes under different evolutionary scenarios. “High-end” metallicity evolution assumed. Predictions for the Einstein Telescope in the initial and “xylophone” configuration.

„low-end” metallicity scenario predictions are ca. 47% higher (for total)

2. Lensing statistics

SIS lens model – the simplest realistic case

Einstein radius $\vartheta_E = 4\pi \frac{D_{ls}}{D_s} \frac{\sigma^2}{c^2}$

1D velocity dispersion

Two images form on the opposite side of the lens

$$R_A = \beta + \vartheta_E \qquad R_B = \vartheta_E - \beta$$

angle between directions to the lens and to the source

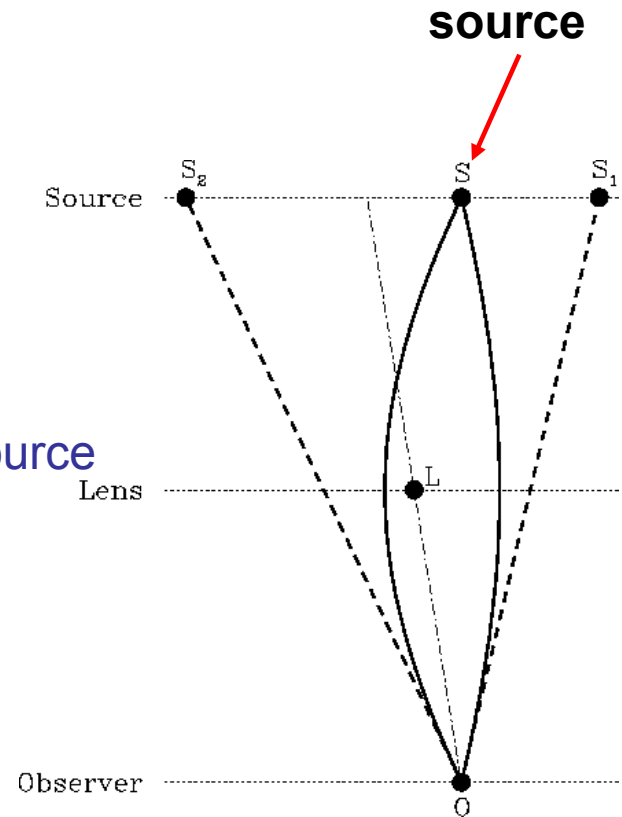
Time delay between images in SIS lens

$$\Delta t_{SIS} = \frac{1+z_l}{2c} \frac{D_l D_s}{D_{ls}} (R_A^2 - R_B^2)$$

$$\Delta t_{SIS} = \frac{2(1+z_l)}{c} \frac{D_l D_s}{D_{ls}} \vartheta_E \beta = \frac{8\pi}{H_0} \tilde{r}_l \beta \frac{\sigma^2}{c^2}$$

Typical scale for galaxy lens = 1"

will not be resolved in ET



The only way to see lensed GW source - **register 2 time delayed waveforms**

(of similar temporal structure i.e. frequency drift)
with different amplitudes

$$h_{\pm} = \sqrt{\mu_{\pm}} h(t) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{y} \pm 1} h(t)$$

Time delay between signals

$$\Delta t = \frac{32\pi^2}{c} \left(\frac{\sigma}{c}\right)^4 \frac{d_A(z_l)d_A(z_l, z_s)}{d_A(z_s)} (1 + z_l)y = \frac{32\pi^2}{H_0} \left(\frac{\sigma}{c}\right)^4 \frac{\tilde{r}_l \tilde{r}_{ls}}{\tilde{r}_s} y = \Delta t_0 y$$

Second image would be observed if it is magnified above the detector's threshold

$$\sqrt{\frac{1}{y} - 1} \rho_{intr.} \geq 8.$$

↑

intrinsic SNR

Hence the impact parameter should be

$$y \leq y_{max} := \left[1 + \left(\frac{8.}{\rho_{intr.}} \right)^2 \right]^{-1}$$

$$S_{cr} = \pi \theta_E^2 y_{max}^2$$



Elementary cross section

$$S_{cr} = 16\pi^3 \left(\frac{\sigma}{c}\right)^4 \left(\frac{\tilde{r}_{ls}}{\tilde{r}_s}\right)^2 y_{max}^2$$

Differential lensing cross section

$$\frac{d^2\tau}{d\sigma dz_l} = \frac{dn}{d\sigma} S_{cr}(\sigma, z_l, z_s) \frac{dV}{dz_l} = 4\pi \left(\frac{c}{H_0}\right)^3 \frac{\tilde{r}_l^2}{E(z_l)} S_{cr}(\sigma, z_l, z_s) \frac{dn}{d\sigma}$$

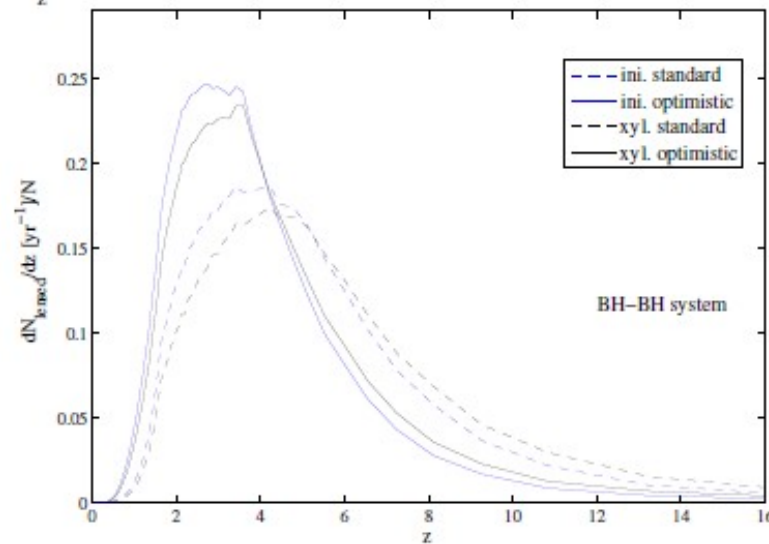
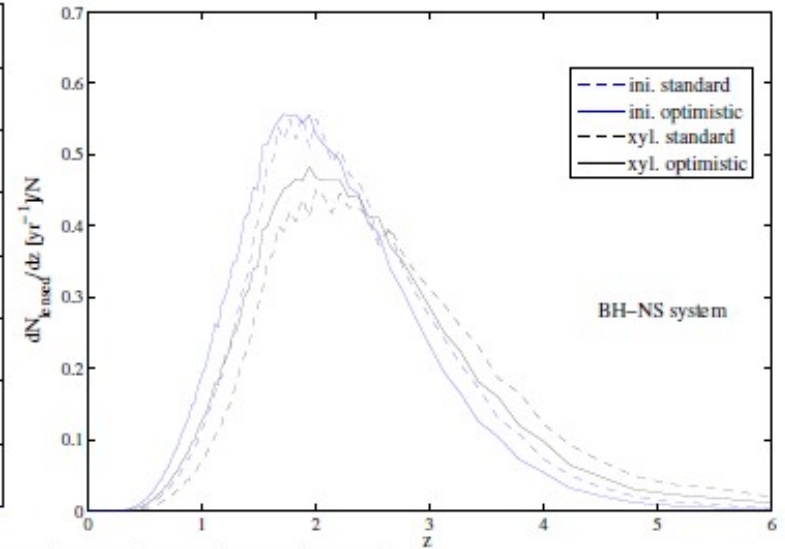
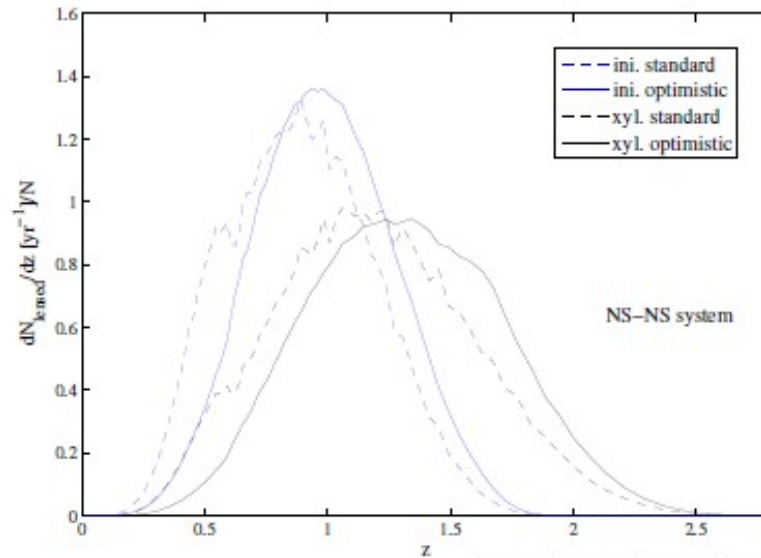


$$\frac{dn}{d\sigma} = n_* \left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_*}\right)^\alpha \exp\left(-\left(\frac{\sigma}{\sigma_*}\right)^\beta\right) \frac{\beta}{\Gamma(\frac{\alpha}{\beta})} \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

Schechter function – parameters after Choi et al. 2007

	n_* [Mpc ⁻³]	σ_* [km/s]	α	β
Choi et al. 2007	$8 \cdot 10^{-3} (H_0/100)^3$	161	2.32	2.67
Mitchell et al. 2005	$4.1 \cdot 10^{-3} (H_0/100)^3$	88.8	6.5	1.93
Bernardi et al. 2013	$2.6 \cdot 10^{-3} (H_0/70)^3$	159.6	0.41	2.59

Differential lensing rate of DCO inspiralling binaries



$$\frac{1}{\dot{N}_{\text{lensed}}} \frac{d\dot{N}_{\text{lensed}}}{dz}$$

Our considerations so far were strictly valid for infinitely long survey. If the survey lasts a finite time T_{surv} some of the lensed transient signals (i.e. those occurring near the start or the end of the survey) would be missed because of the time delay (3.2). Consequently the cross section for lensing should be modified appropriately (see e.g. [20, 24]):

$$S_{cr} = 2\pi\theta_E^2 \int_0^{y_{max}} f(\Delta t(y, z_l, z_s, \sigma)) y dy \quad (3.11)$$

Under assumption of uniform distribution of arrival times, one can write: $f(\Delta t) = 1 - \frac{\Delta t}{T_{surv}}$, and:

$$S_{cr} = \pi\theta_E^2 \left(y_{max}^2 - \frac{2}{3} \frac{\Delta t_0}{T_{surv}} y_{max}^3 \right)$$

Substituting this to (3.7), after calculating the integrals:

$$\mathcal{F}_8 = \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\sigma}{c} \right)^8 \frac{dn}{d\sigma} d\sigma = n_* \left(\frac{\sigma_*}{c} \right)^8 \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{8+\alpha}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right)}$$

$$\int_0^{z_s} \frac{\tilde{r}_{ls}^3 \tilde{r}_l^3}{\tilde{r}_s^3 E(z_l)} dz_l = \int_0^{\tilde{r}_s} \frac{\tilde{r}_{ls}^3 \tilde{r}_l^3}{\tilde{r}_s^3} d\tilde{r}_l = \frac{1}{140} \tilde{r}_s^4$$

and denoting: $\mathcal{F}_* = 16\pi^3 \mathcal{F}_4$ and $\Delta t_* = \frac{32\pi^2}{H_0} \tilde{r}_s \left(\frac{\sigma_*}{c} \right)^4 y_{max}$ one has:

$$\tau_{\Delta t} = \frac{\mathcal{F}_*}{30} \left(\frac{c}{H_0} \right)^3 \tilde{r}_s^3 y_{max}^2 \left[1 - \frac{1}{7} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha+8}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha+4}{\beta}\right)} \frac{\Delta t_*}{T_{surv}} \right] = \tau \left[1 - \frac{1}{7} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha+8}{\beta}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\alpha+4}{\beta}\right)} \frac{\Delta t_*}{T_{surv}} \right] \quad (3.12)$$

Predictions of lensed inspiral signals

ET configuration	standard	optimistic	delayed SN	high BH kicks
T_{surv}	(1yr; 5yrs;continuous)	(1yr; 5yrs;continuous)	(1yr; 5yrs;continuous)	(1yr; 5yrs;continuous)
NS-NS				
initial design	(0.06; 0.07; 0.07)	(0.2; 0.2; 0.2)	(0.07; 0.07; 0.08)	(0.06; 0.06; 0.07)
xylophone	(0.2; 0.2; 0.2)	(0.7; 0.8; 0.8)	(0.2; 0.2; 0.2)	(0.2; 0.2; 0.2)
BH-NS				
initial design	(0.4; 0.5; 0.5)	(1.1; 1.3; 1.3)	(0.2; 0.3; 0.3)	(0.05; 0.05; 0.05)
xylophone	(0.9; 1.1; 1.1)	(2.1; 2.4; 2.5)	(0.5; 0.6; 0.6)	(0.1; 0.1; 0.1)
BH-BH				
initial design	(30.3; 36.1; 37.6)	(99.1; 116.0; 120.2)	(24.7; 29.5; 30.7)	(1.8; 2.2; 2.3)
xylophone	(45.8; 54.9; 57.2)	(136.7; 160.8; 166.8)	(37.8; 45.4; 47.3)	(3.0; 3.6; 3.8)
TOTAL				
initial design	(30.8; 36.7; 38.2)	(100.4; 117.4; 121.7)	(25.0; 29.8; 31.0)	(1.9; 2.3; 2.4)
xylophone	(46.9; 56.2; 58.5)	(139.5; 164.2; 170.1)	(38.5; 46.2; 48.1)	(3.3; 4.0; 4.1)

Table 3. Expected numbers of lensed GW events from inspiralling DCOs of different classes under different evolutionary scenarios. “High-end” metallicity evolution assumed. Predictions for the Einstein Telescope in the initial and “xylophone” configuration.

BH-BH systems contribute 91 – 95%; NS-NS systems 1 – 4%

Velocity Distribution Function	Mitchell	Choi	Bernardi
NS-NS systems			
initial design			
standard scenario	0.05	0.07	0.09
optimistic OCE	0.2	0.2	0.3
“xylophone” design			
standard scenario	0.1	0.2	0.2
optimistic OCE	0.6	0.8	1.
BH-NS systems			
initial design			
standard scenario	0.4	0.5	0.7
optimistic CE scenario	0.9	1.3	1.7
“xylophone” design			
standard scenario	0.8	1.1	1.4
optimistic CE scenario	1.8	2.5	3.2
BH-BH systems			
initial design			
standard scenario	26.5	37.6	48.2
optimistic CE scenario	84.8	120.2	153.8
“xylophone” design			
standard scenario	40.3	57.2	73.2
optimistic CE scenario	117.6	166.8	213.6

Dependence of lensed
GW events on the
assumed VDF

differences are noticeable
only for BH-BH systems

If we discover such lensed GW source

1. Identification of double images: time delayed, the same waveform, different amplitudes.

$$h_{\pm} \propto \frac{A_{\pm}}{d_L}$$

2. Amplitude ratio \rightarrow source position $y = \frac{1 - |A_-/A_+|}{1 + |A_-/A_+|}$.

3. Known y means known amplification \rightarrow infer luminosity distance $d_L(z_s)$

Breaks degeneracy w.r.t. y in time delay \rightarrow distance ratio $\frac{\tilde{r}_l \tilde{r}_{ls}}{\tilde{r}_s}$

4. Seek for optical galaxy (now we approximately know at which z_l)

5. If found – spectroscopical follow up ...

Other perspectives:

Study the amplification bias in the GW catalogs expected from E.T.