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Prospects for GW astronomy with next generation large-scale PTAs

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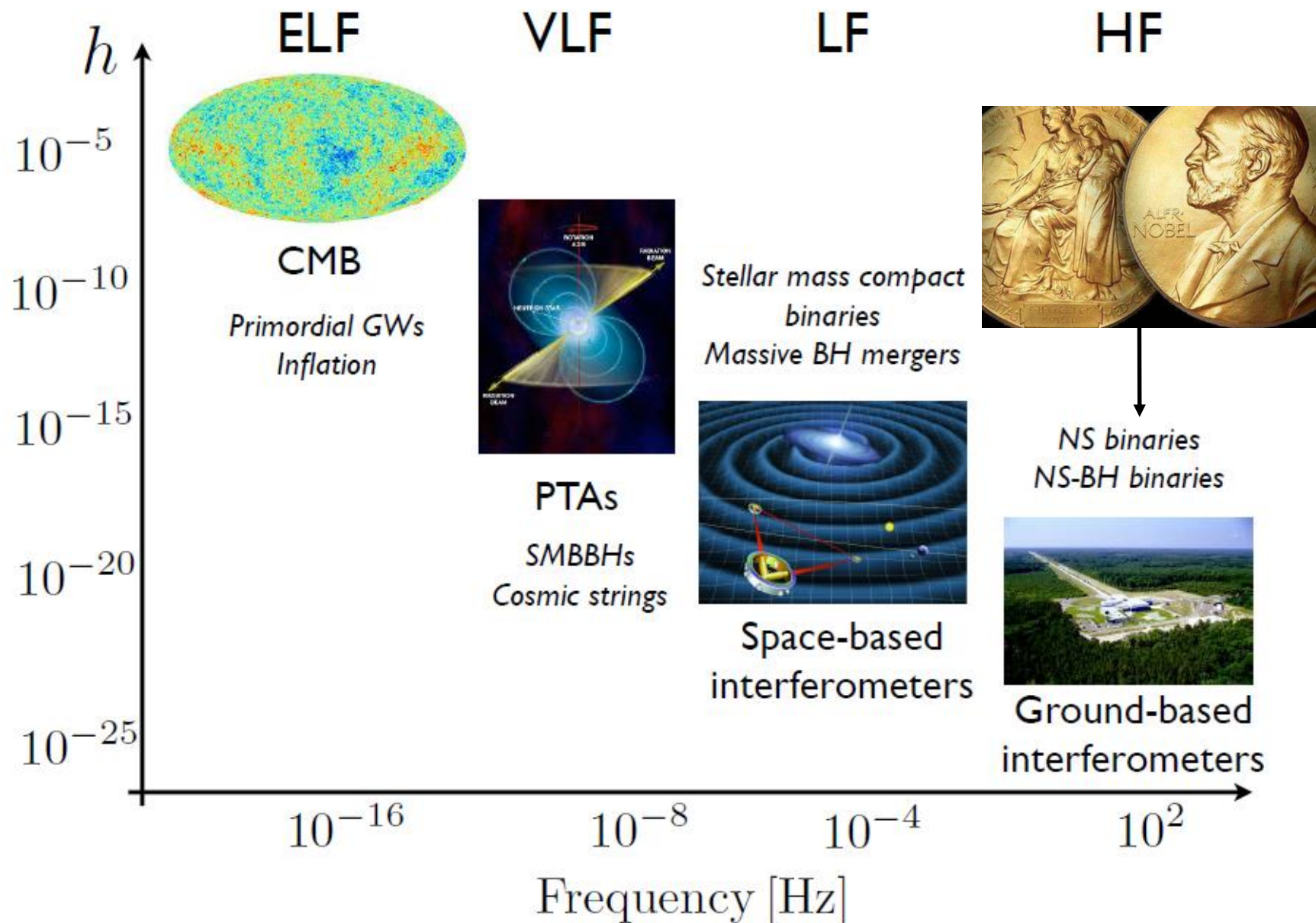
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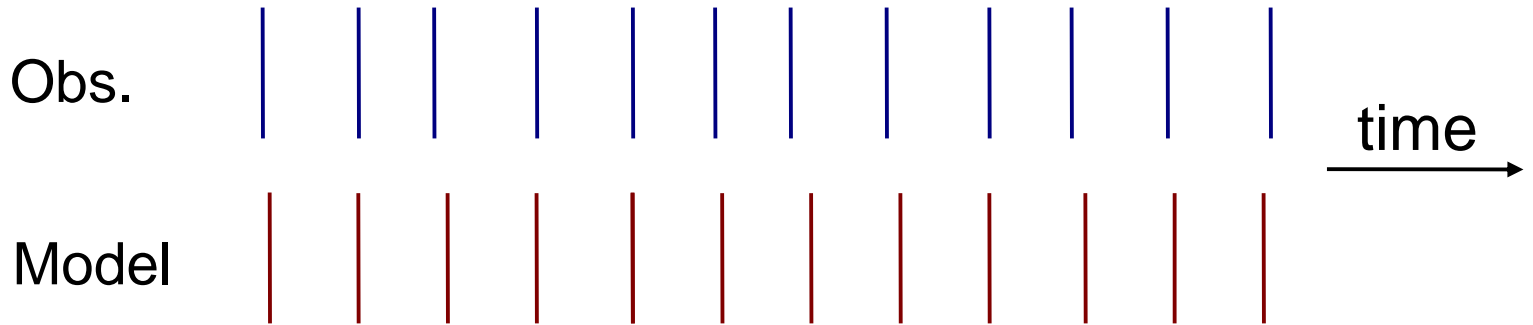
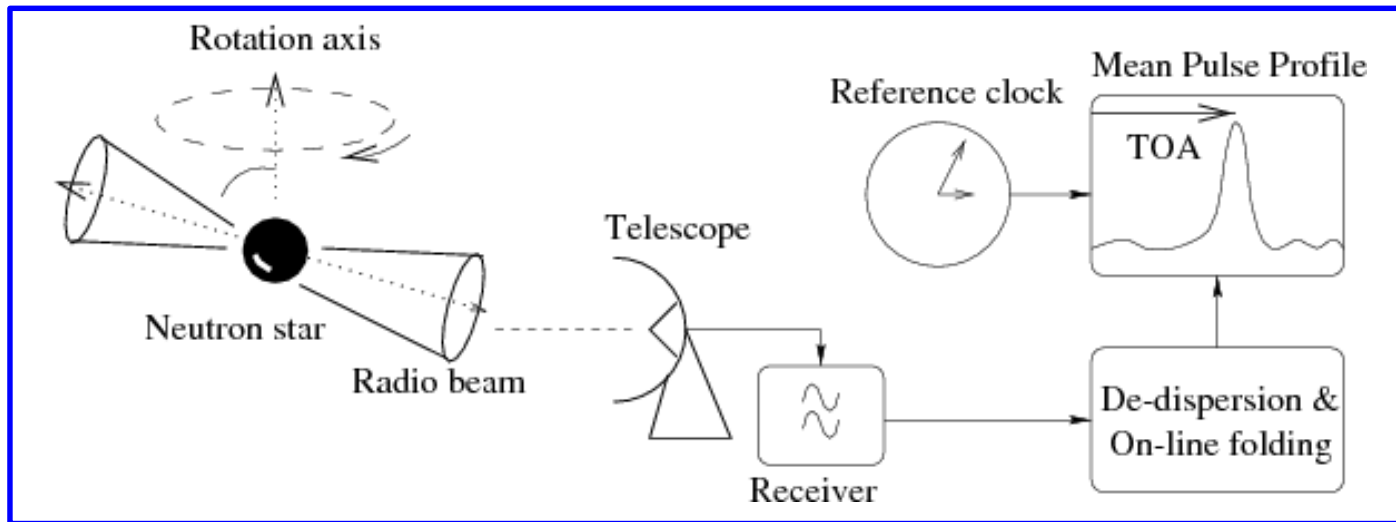
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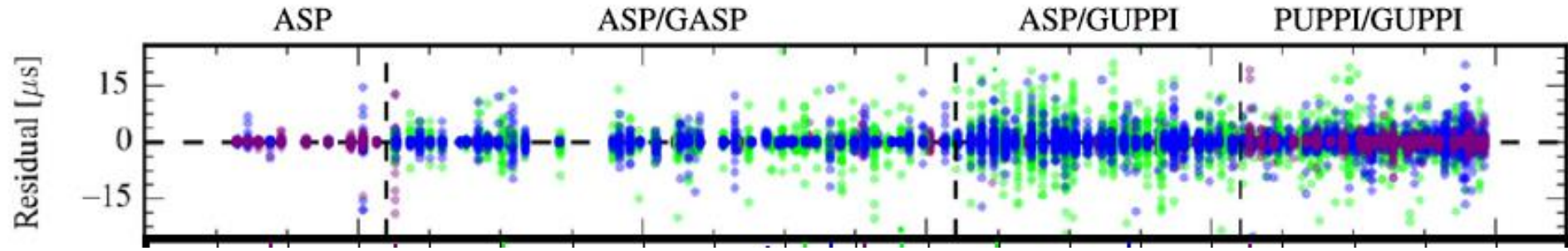


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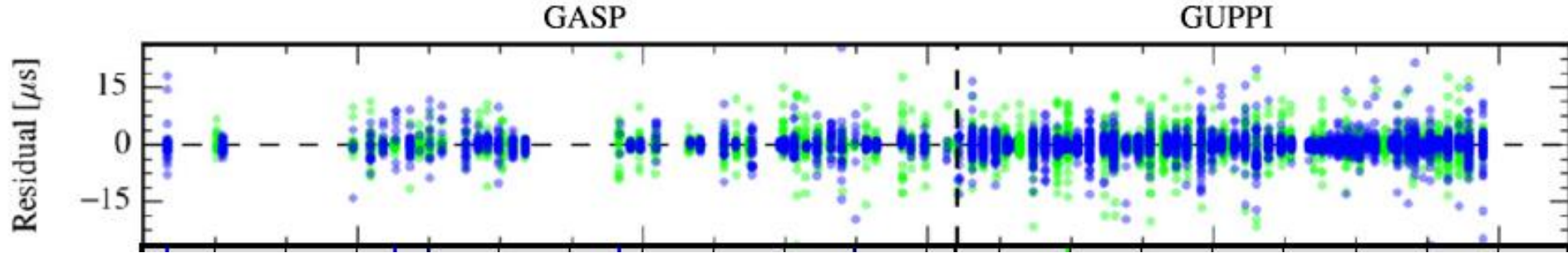


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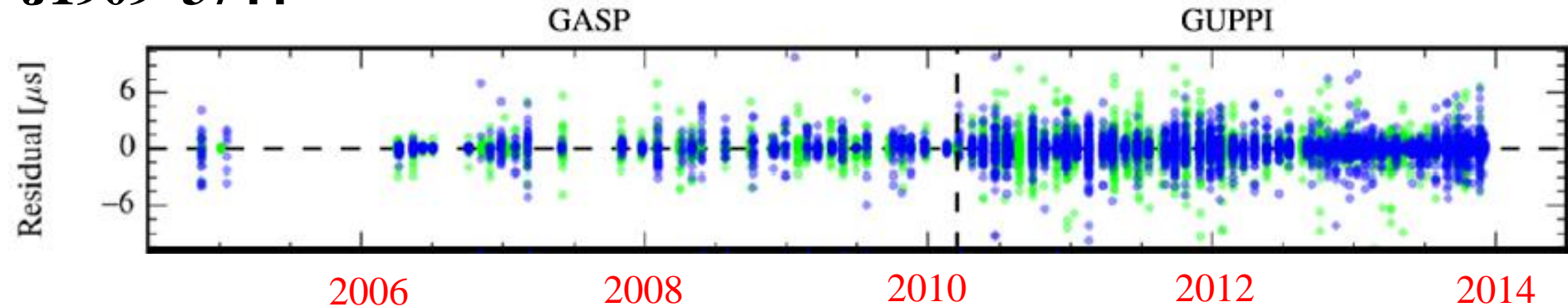
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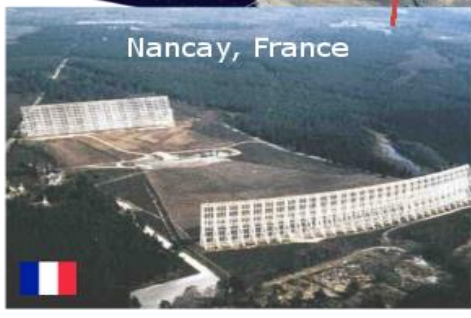
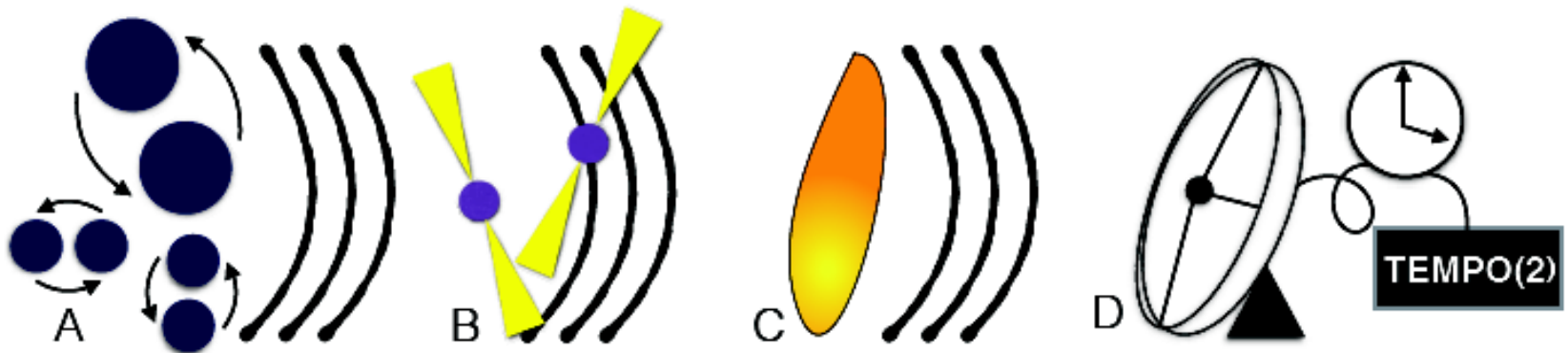


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Pulsar Timing Array

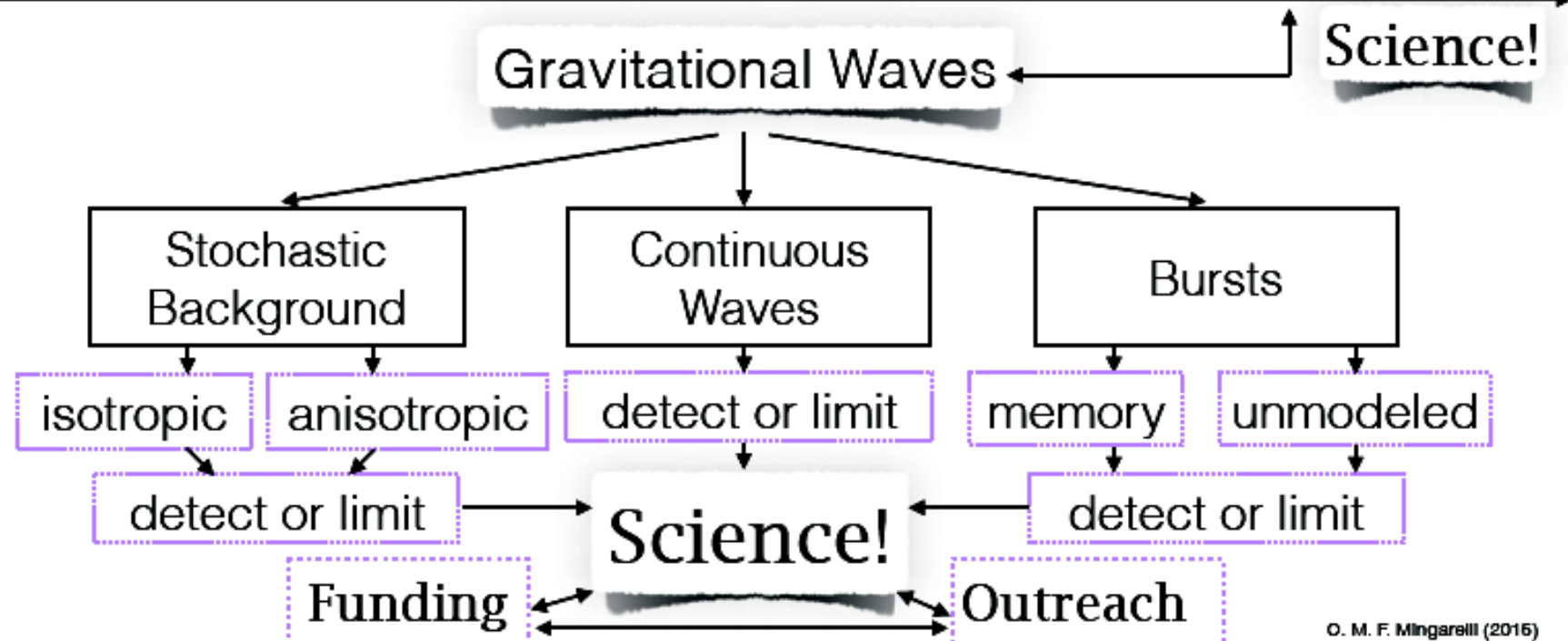


A: GWs from e.g. supermassive BH binaries (also cosmic strings)

B: GWs perturb space-time at the pulsars as they transit

C: ionized gas in the interstellar medium disperses & scatters the light from pulsars

D: GW perturb signals from all pulsars at Earth. Time of arrivals and residuals are calculated.



GWs from SMBHBs

Frequency of the binary orbit

$$f \approx 1 \text{ nHz} \left(\frac{M}{10^9 M_\odot} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{a}{10^4 \text{ AU}} \right)^{-3/2}$$

Timing residuals induced by GW

$$\Delta\tau \sim 10 \text{ ns} \left(\frac{1 \text{ Gpc}}{d_L} \right) \left(\frac{M}{10^9 M_\odot} \right)^{5/3} \left(\frac{10^{-7} \text{ Hz}}{f} \right)^{1/3}$$

Time to coalescence

$$a = 10^4 \text{ AU} \quad M \approx \mu = 10^9 M_\odot$$

$$\tau = \frac{5}{256} \frac{c^5}{G^3} \frac{a^4}{M\mu} = \frac{5}{256} \frac{a^3}{r_M^2 r_\mu} \frac{a}{c} \sim 10^5 \text{ yr}$$

Timing effects by GWs

Perturbation of metric tensor:

$$\mathbf{h} = (h_+ \mathbf{e}_+ + h_\times \mathbf{e}_\times) e^{i(\omega_{\text{gw}} t - \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})}$$

GW signals:

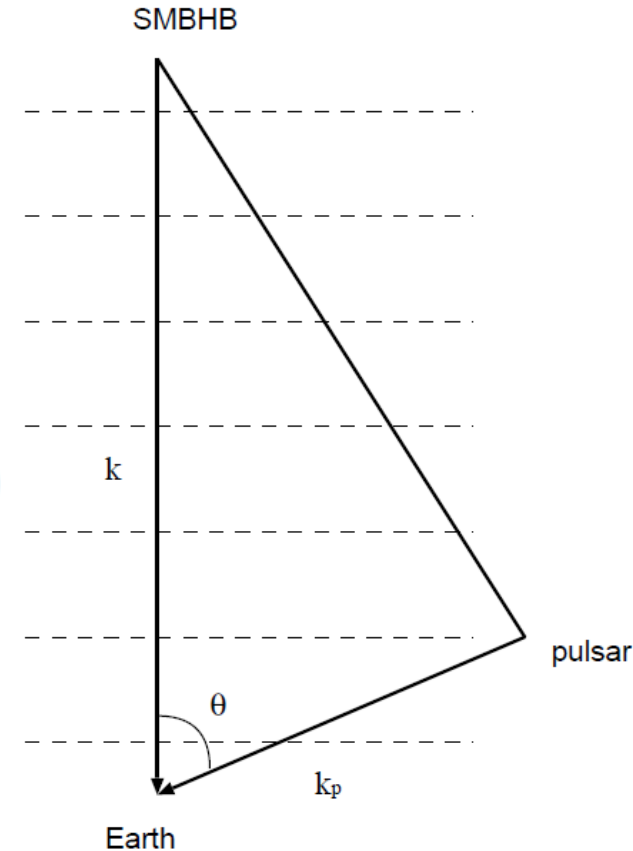
$$s_i^I(\lambda) = F_+^I(\alpha, \delta) \Delta h_+(t_i^I; \theta) + F_\times^I(\alpha, \delta) \Delta h_\times(t_i^I; \theta)$$

$$\Delta h_{+, \times}(t_i^I; \theta) = \underbrace{h_{+, \times}(t_i^I; \theta)}_{\text{Earth term}} - \underbrace{h_{+, \times}(t_i^I - \tau^I; \theta)}_{\text{Pulsar term}}$$

$$\tau^I = d^I (1 - \cos \theta^I) / c \quad \lambda = \{\alpha, \delta\} \cup \theta$$

$$\lambda = \{\zeta, \iota, \psi, \alpha, \delta, \omega_{\text{gw}}, \varphi_0, \varphi_I\} \quad (I = 1, 2, \dots, N_p)$$

Pulsar phase: $\varphi_I = \varphi_0 - \frac{1}{2} \omega_{\text{gw}} d^I (1 - \cos \theta^I)$



Likelihood ratio

$$\text{LR}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{r}|H_\lambda)}{p(\mathbf{r}|H_0)}$$

$$\text{GLRT}(\mathbf{r}) = \max_{\lambda} \frac{p(\mathbf{r}|H_\lambda)}{p(\mathbf{r}|H_0)}$$

(Log)-Likelihood ratio function:

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{r}) = \ln \frac{p(\mathbf{r}|\mathcal{H}_\lambda)}{p(\mathbf{r}|\mathcal{H}_0)} = \sum_{I=1}^{N_p} \langle r^I | s^I(\lambda) \rangle_I - \sum_{I=1}^{N_p} \frac{1}{2} \langle (s^I(\lambda) | s^I(\lambda)) \rangle_I$$

$$\lambda = \{\zeta, \iota, \psi, \alpha, \delta, \omega_{gw}, \varphi_0, \varphi_I\} \quad (I = 1, 2, \dots, N_p)$$

Detection statistics

$$\text{GLRT}(\mathbf{r}) = \max_{\lambda_i} \max_{\lambda_e} \Lambda(\mathbf{r}; \lambda)$$

Option I: Wang, Mohanty, and Jenet. [ApJ, 795, 96 \(2014\)](#)

$$\lambda_e = \{\zeta, \iota, \psi\} + \lambda_i = \{\alpha, \delta, \omega_{gw}, \varphi_0, \varphi_I\}$$

$$s_k^I = \sum_{\mu=1}^4 a_{\mu} A_{\mu}^I(t_k^I)$$

$$\text{NEC: } a_1 a_2 + a_3 a_4 = 0$$

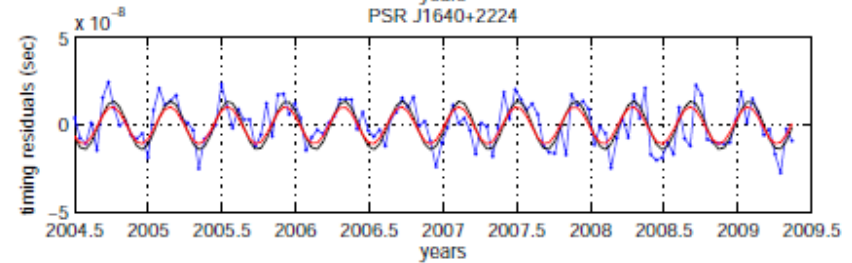
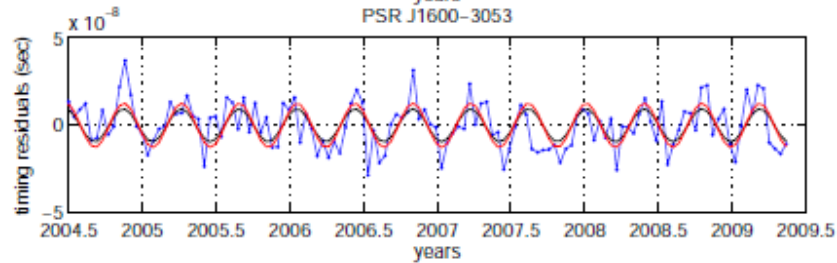
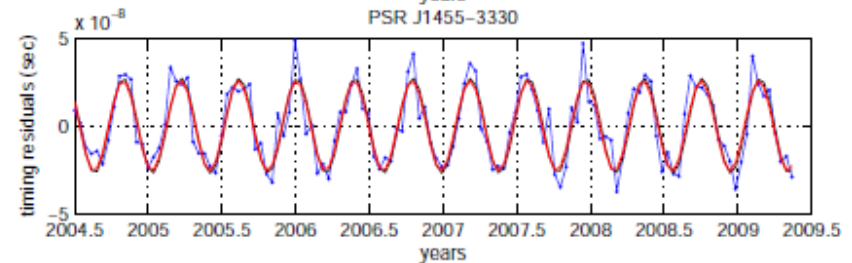
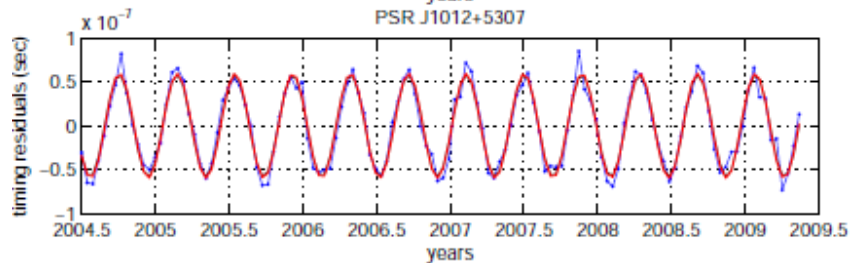
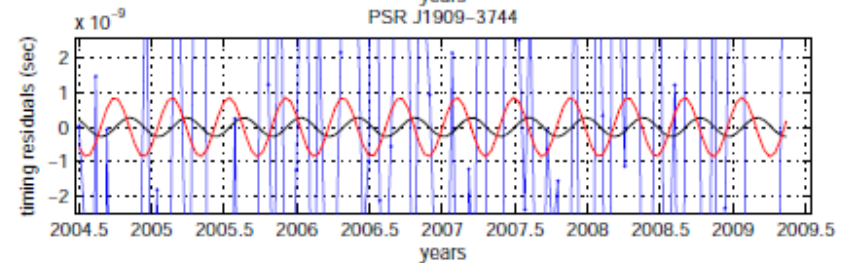
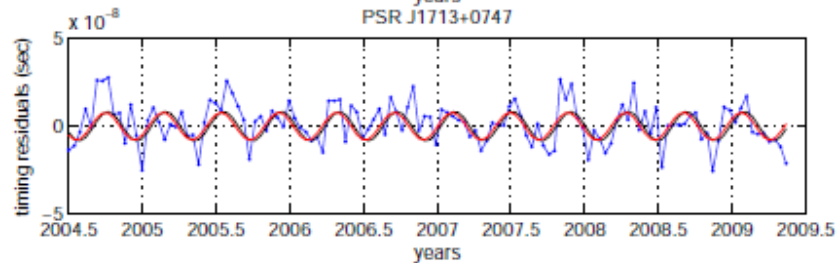
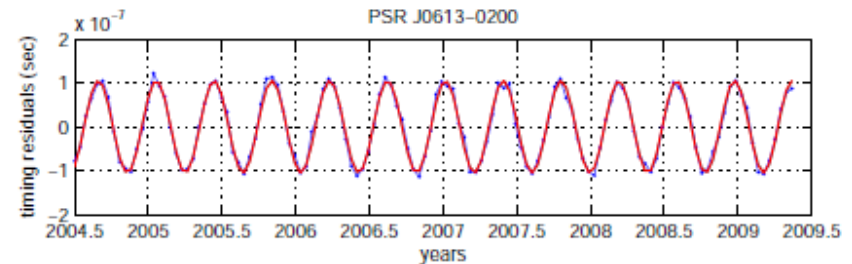
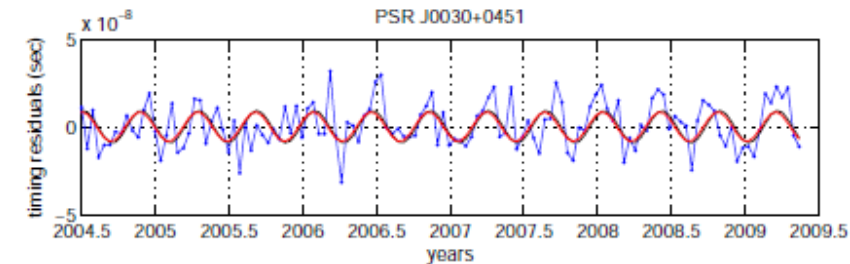
$$\text{NIEC: } a_1^2 - a_2^2 + a_3^2 - a_4^2 \geq 0$$

Option II: Wang, Mohanty, and Jenet. [ApJ, 815, 125 \(2015\)](#)

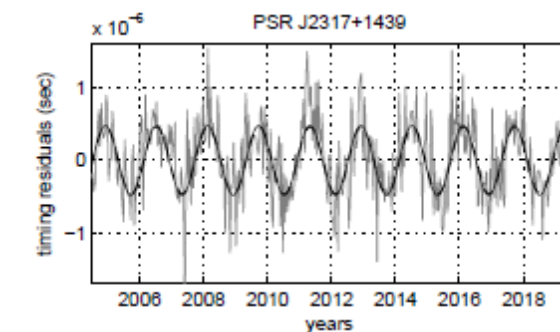
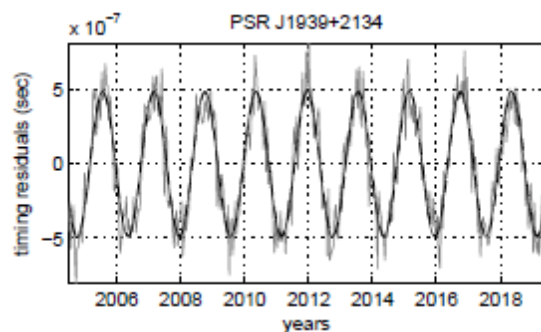
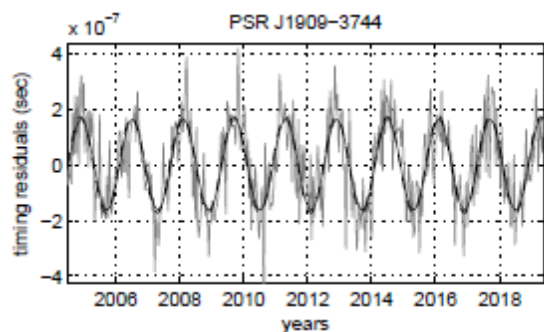
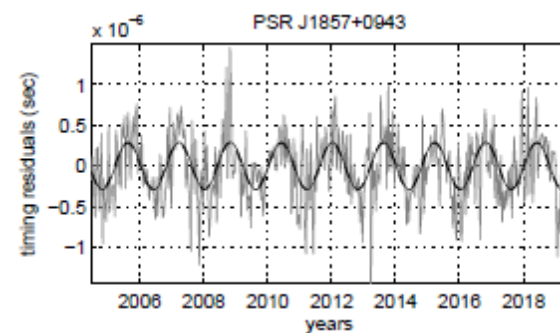
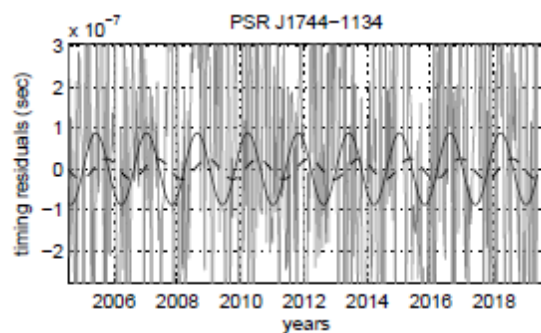
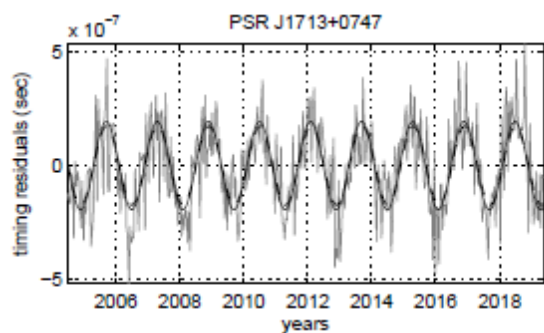
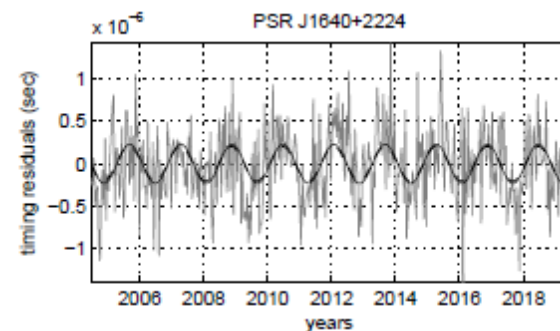
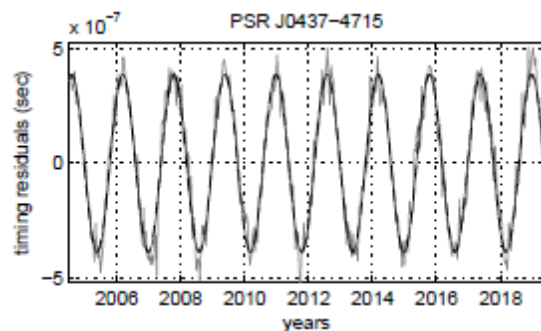
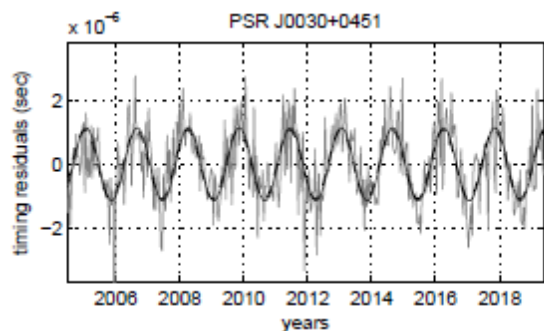
$$\lambda_e = \{\varphi_I\} + \lambda_i = \{\alpha, \delta, \omega_{gw}, \zeta, \iota, \psi, \varphi_0\}$$

$$s_k^I = X^I \cos 2\varphi_I + Y^I \sin 2\varphi_I + Z^I$$

Opt I: S/N=100, signal recovery



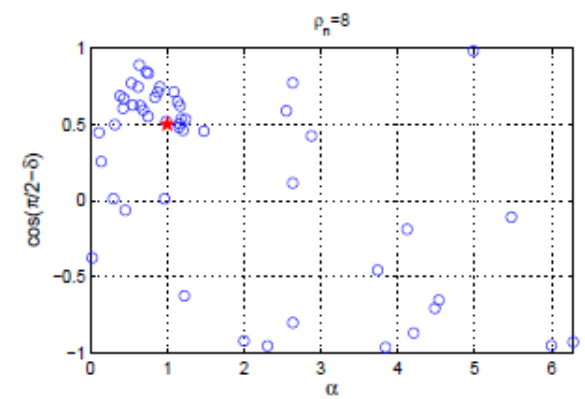
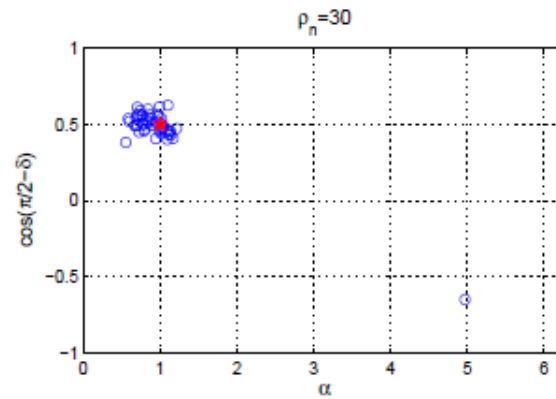
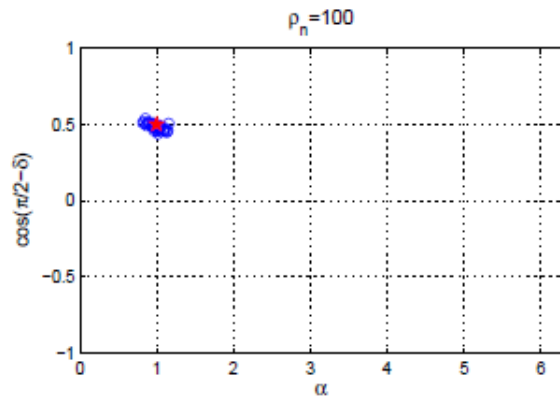
Opt II: network S/N=100, signal recovery



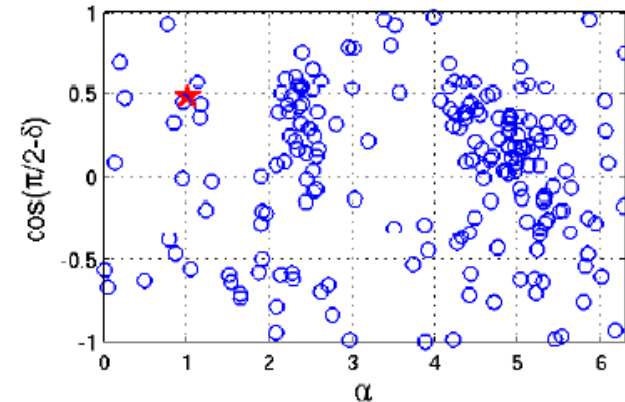
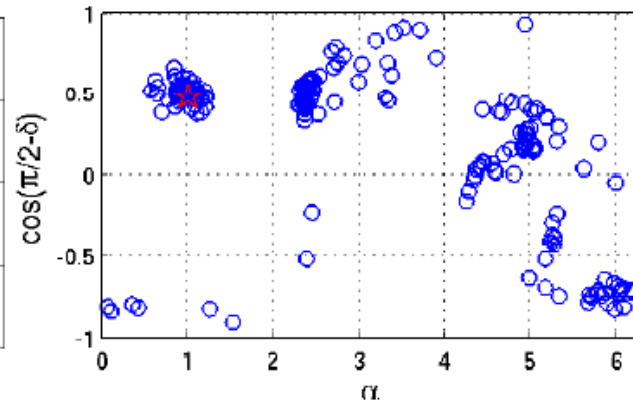
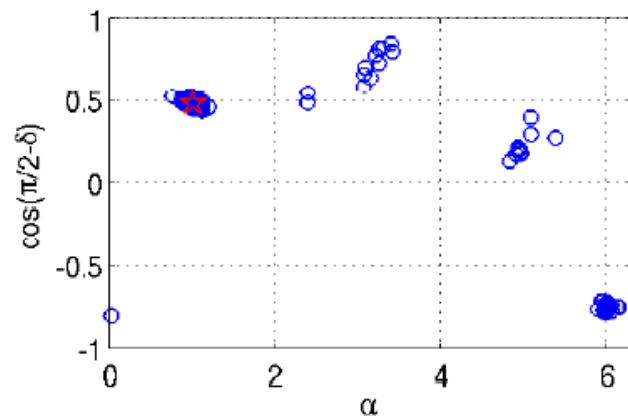
Pulsar catalog from Taylor et. al., 2014

Localization: Opt I v.s. Opt II

Opt I

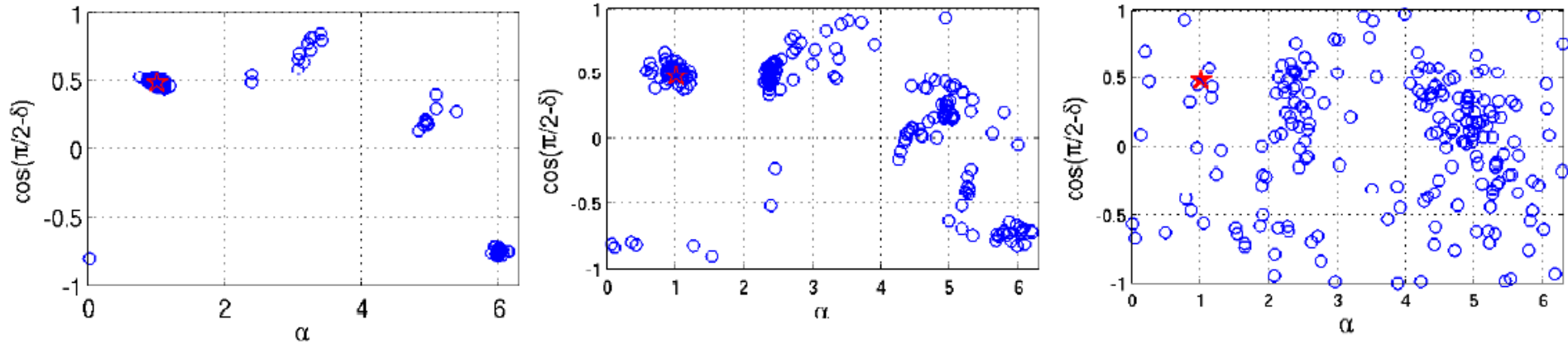


Opt II

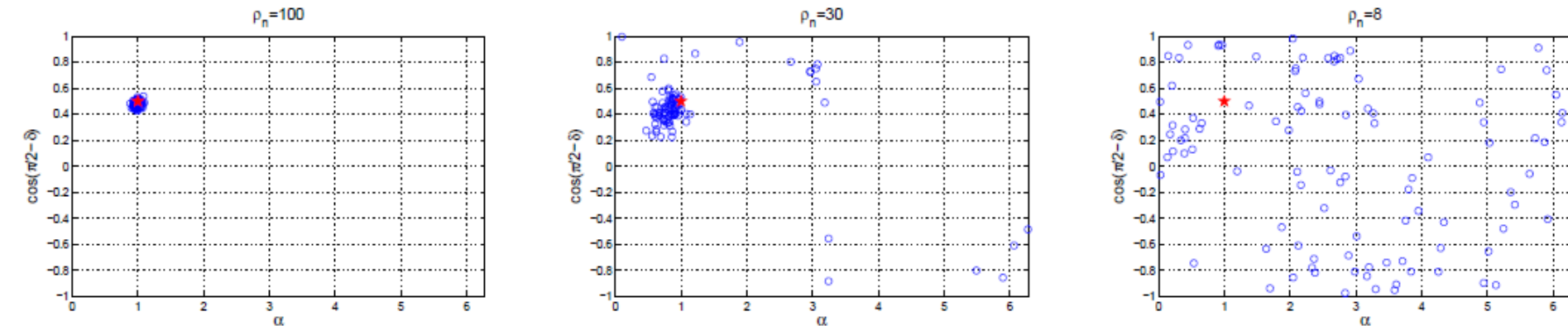


Effect of increasing the PTA size for Opt II

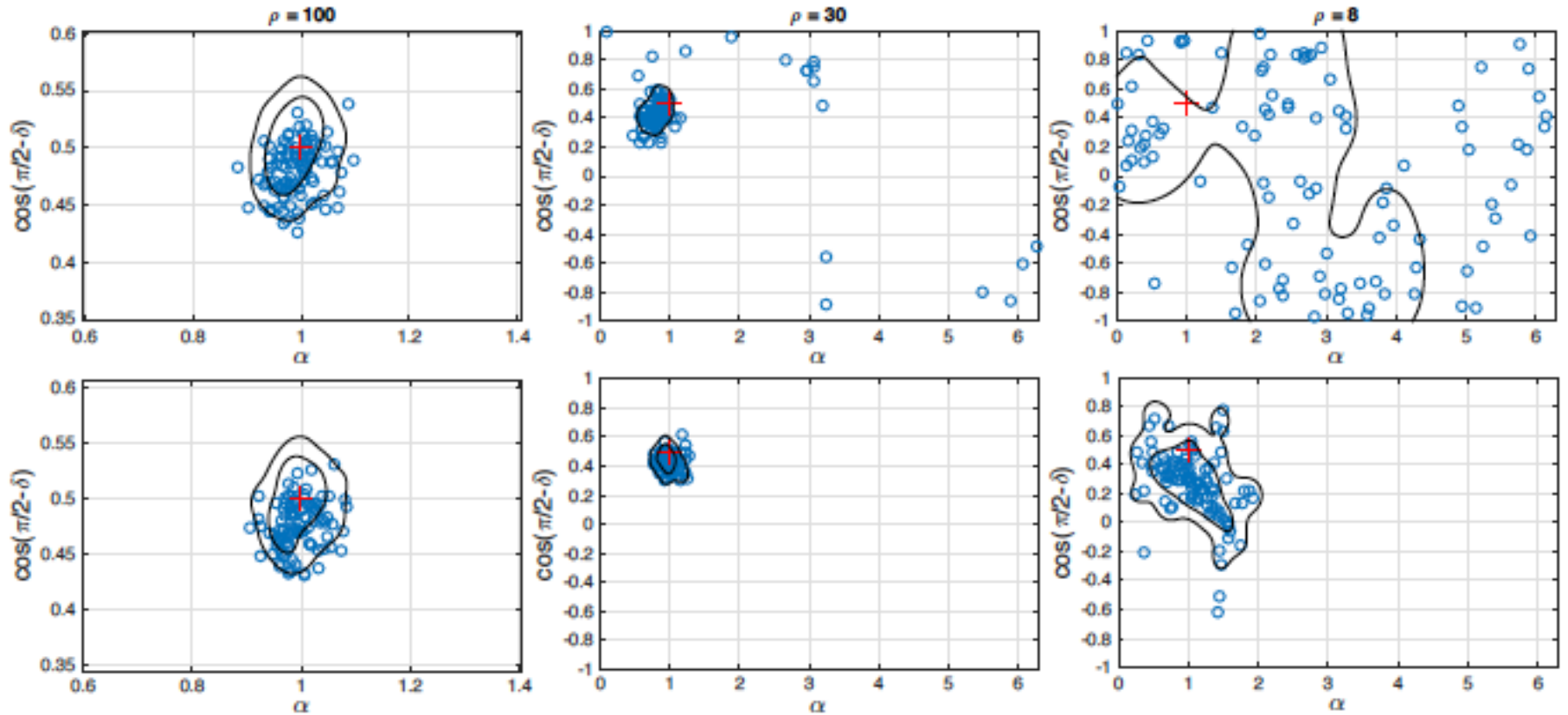
9 pulsars



17 pulsars



Maximization v.s. marginalization



Computational cost

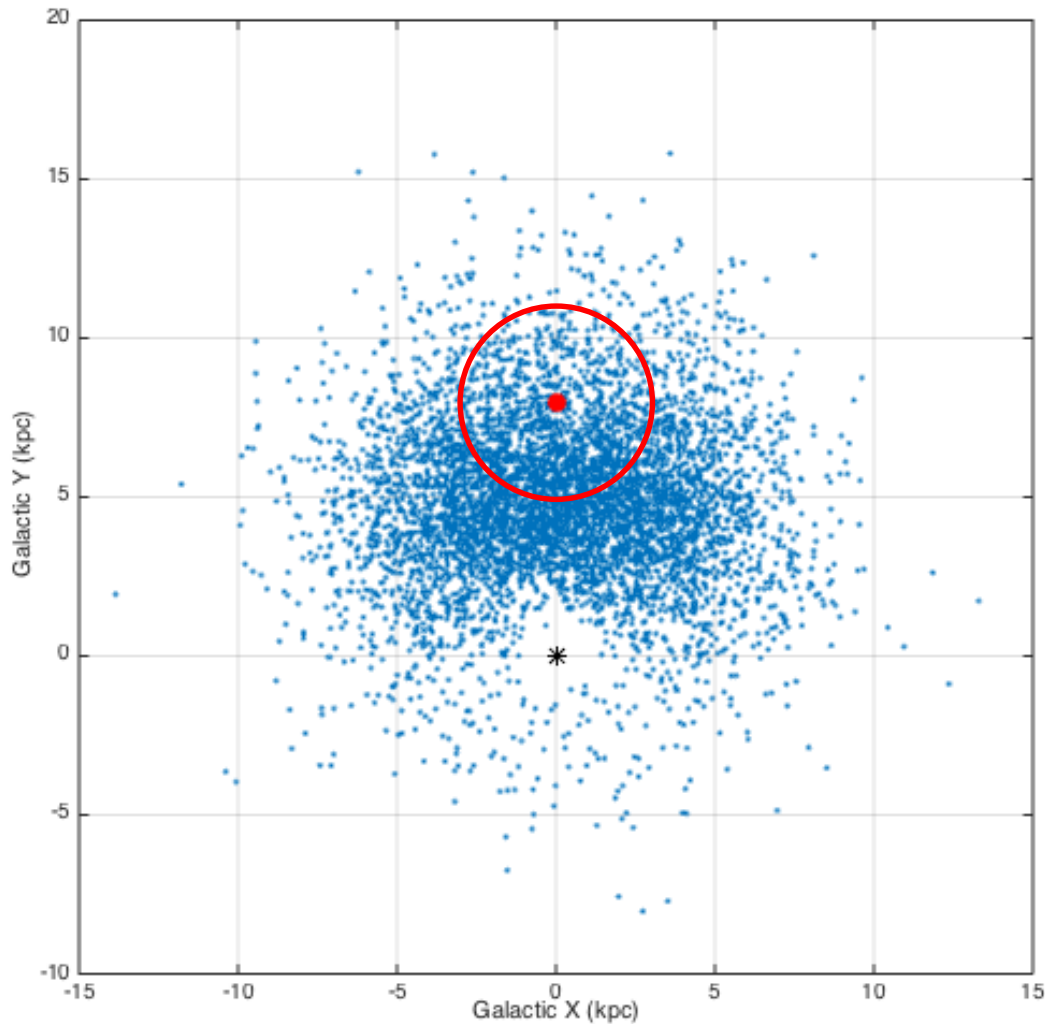
Method	Frequentist /Bayesian	No. of pulsars	Data span	Cost (No. of cores)
Ellis 2013	B	10	~15 yr	~4 hr (4)
Taylor et al. 2014	B	9	~15 yr	~45 min (48)
Wang et al. 2014	F	9	15 yr	89 min (1)
Wang et al. 2015	F	9	15 yr	6.7 min (1)
Zhu et al. 2016	F	12	15 yr	~1.5 min (1)
		30	15 yr	~4 min (1)

Credit: Xing-Jiang Zhu (Monash)

reduced by a factor of **18**



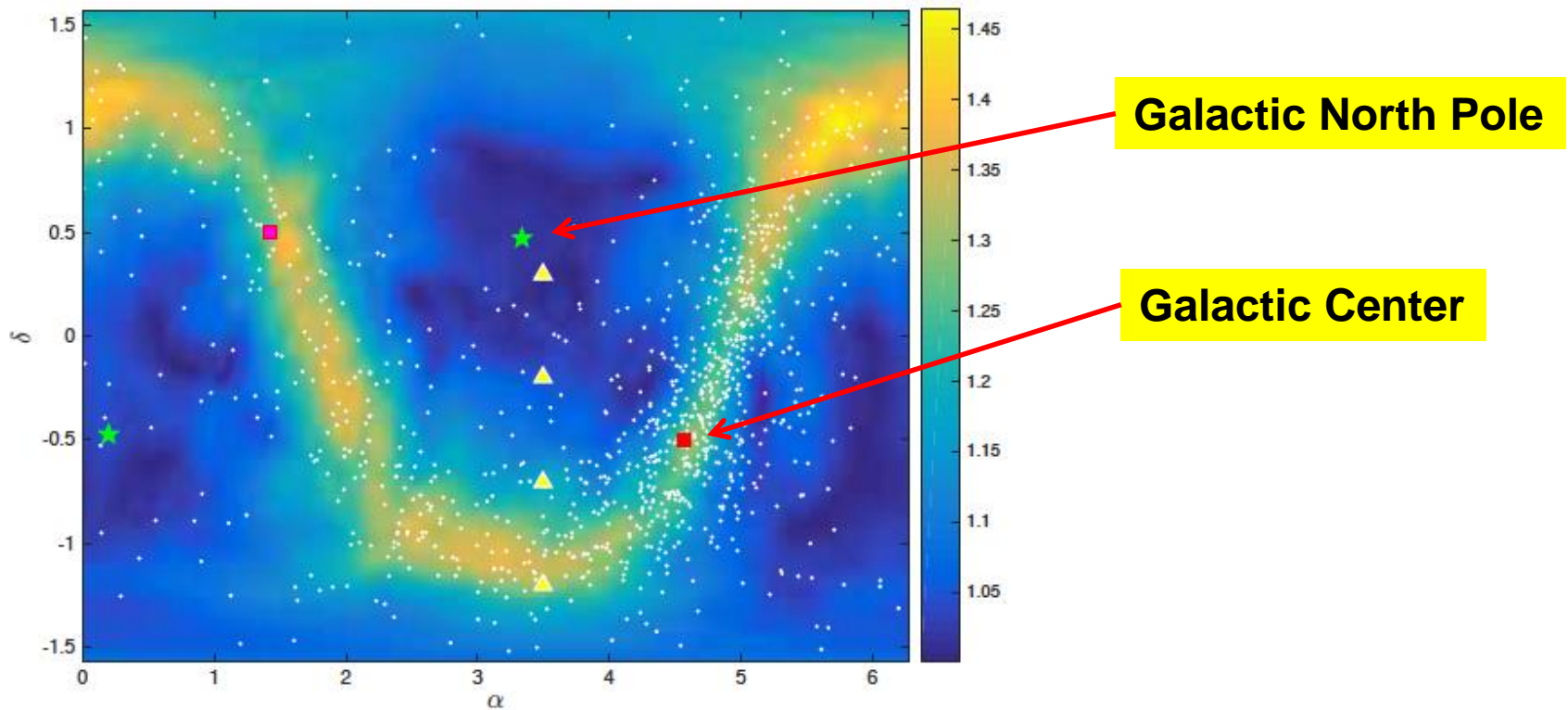
PTA in SKA era



- 14000 canonic PSRs
- 6000 MSPs
- 1000 MSPs < 3 kpc
- 100 ns timing precision

Data model for a network

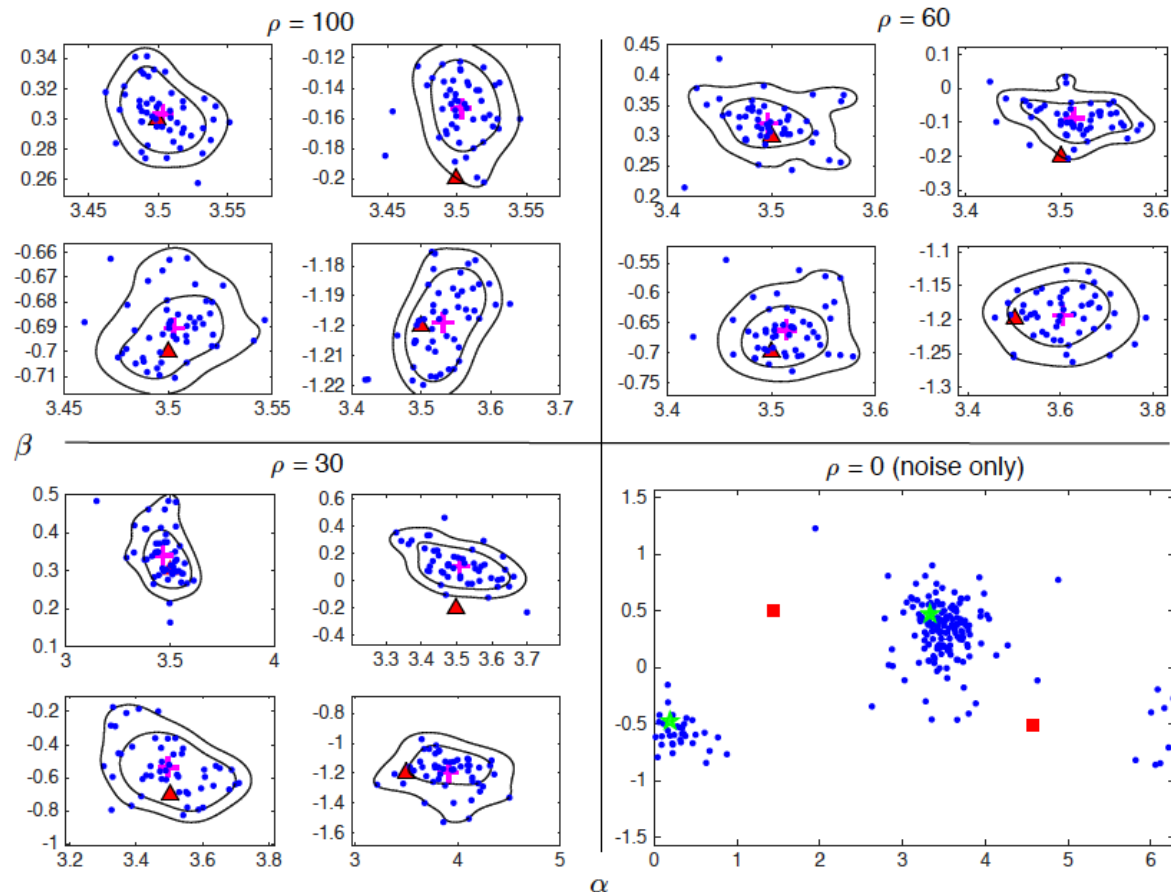
$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} d_1(t) \\ d_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ d_N(t) \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Timing Residuals from } N \text{ Pulsars}} = \overbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} - \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} T[\tau_1] & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & T[\tau_2] & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & T[\tau_N] \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Time Delay Ops.}} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} F_{+,1} & F_{\times,1} \\ F_{+,2} & F_{\times,2} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ F_{+,N} & F_{\times,N} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Antenna Patterns}} \begin{pmatrix} h(t) \\ h_+(t) \\ h_\times(t) \end{pmatrix}}_A + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} n_1(t) \\ n_2(t) \\ \vdots \\ n_3(t) \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{Noise}}$$



Direction estimation

- Conservative error area:

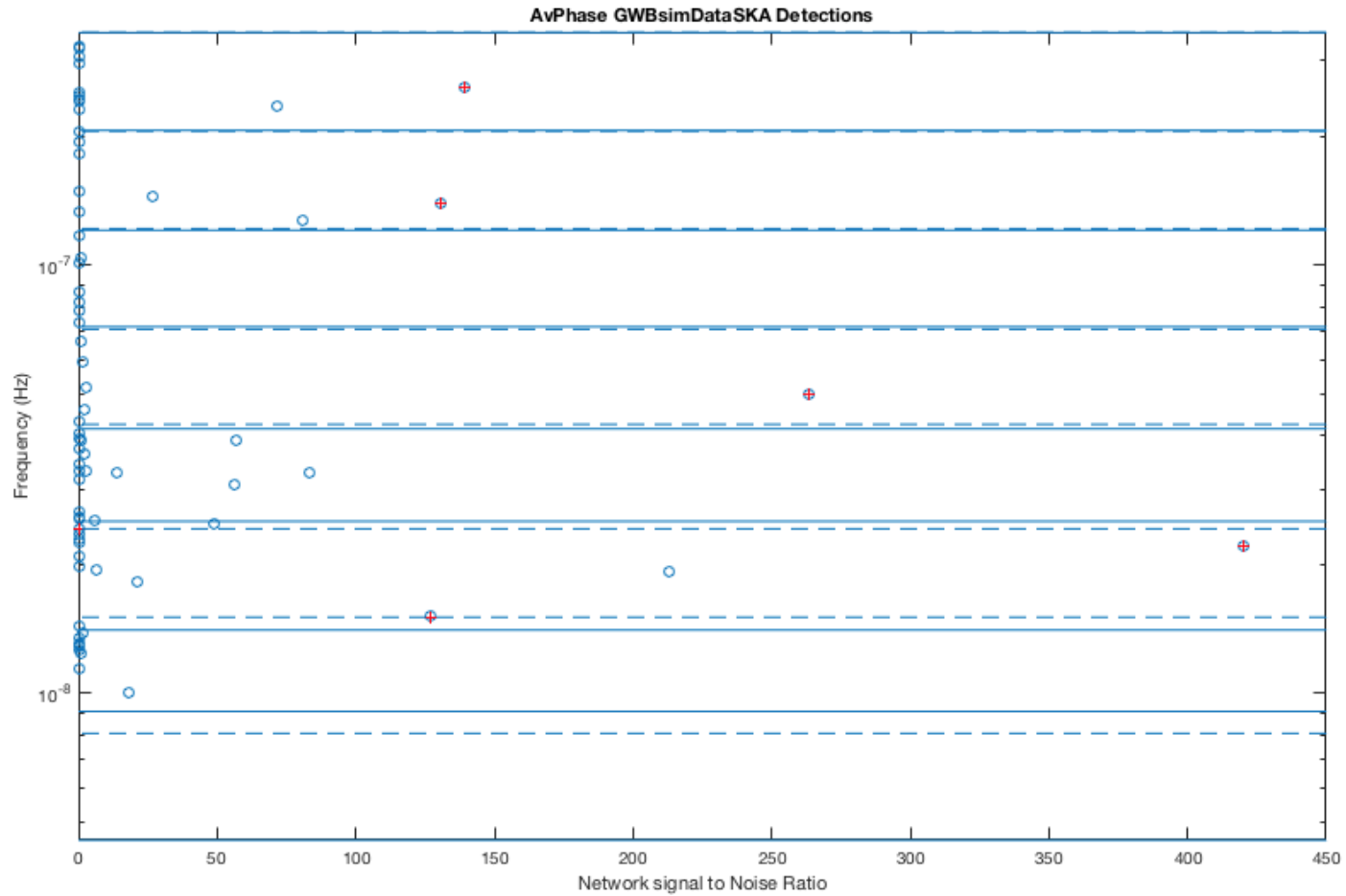
$$2S_a \sim 2S_d \sim \cos d$$
- Localization to within ~ 70 to 180 deg^2 at $r = 30$
- Search for PSO J334 (Liu et al. ApJL 2015): 80 deg^2 field from **Pan-STARRS1 Medium survey**
- Optical counterpart searches possible for even the most distant sources (SKA+LSST)



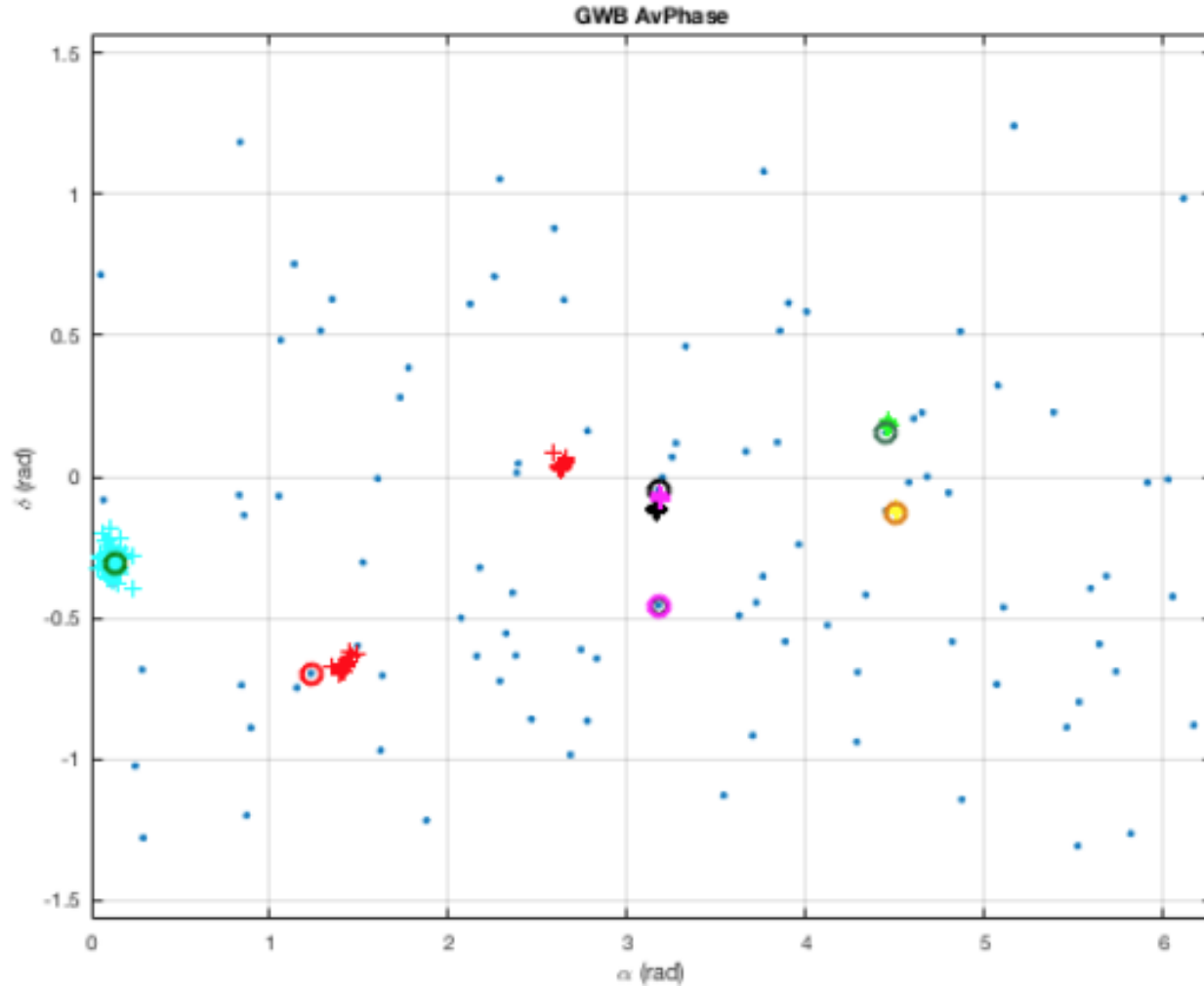
Wang & Mohanty, arXiv: 1611.09440



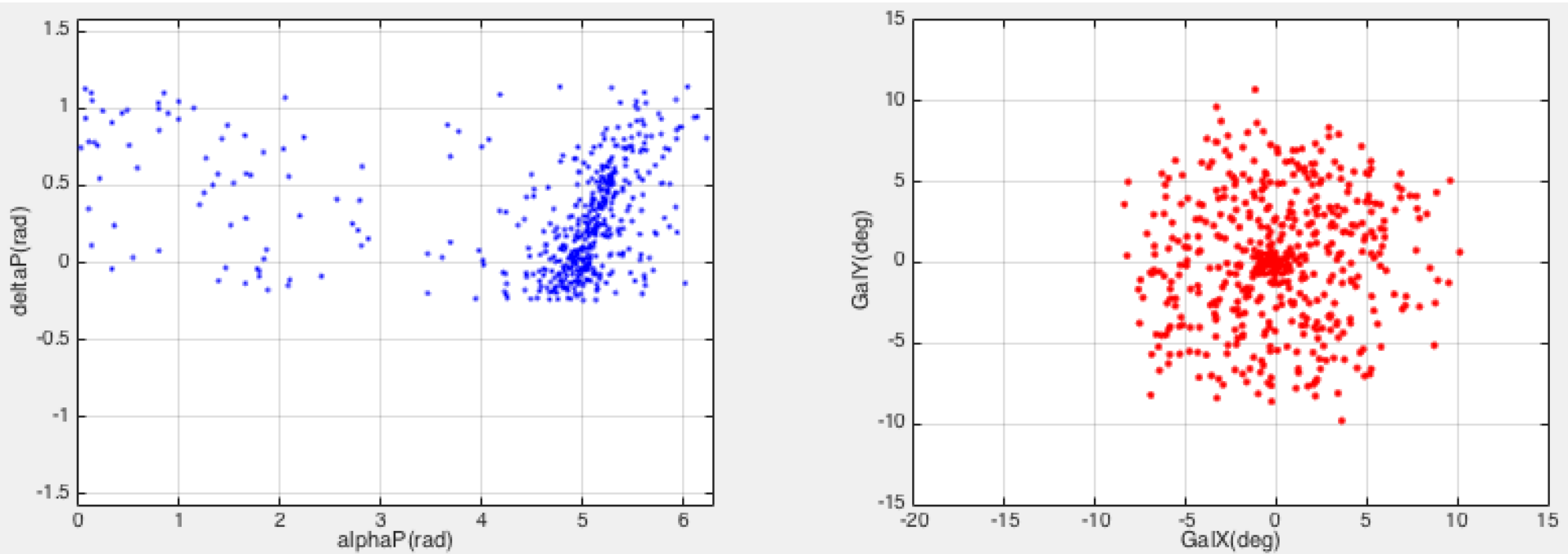
Multiple source search – Frequency domain



Multiple source search – Sky localization



PTA in FAST era



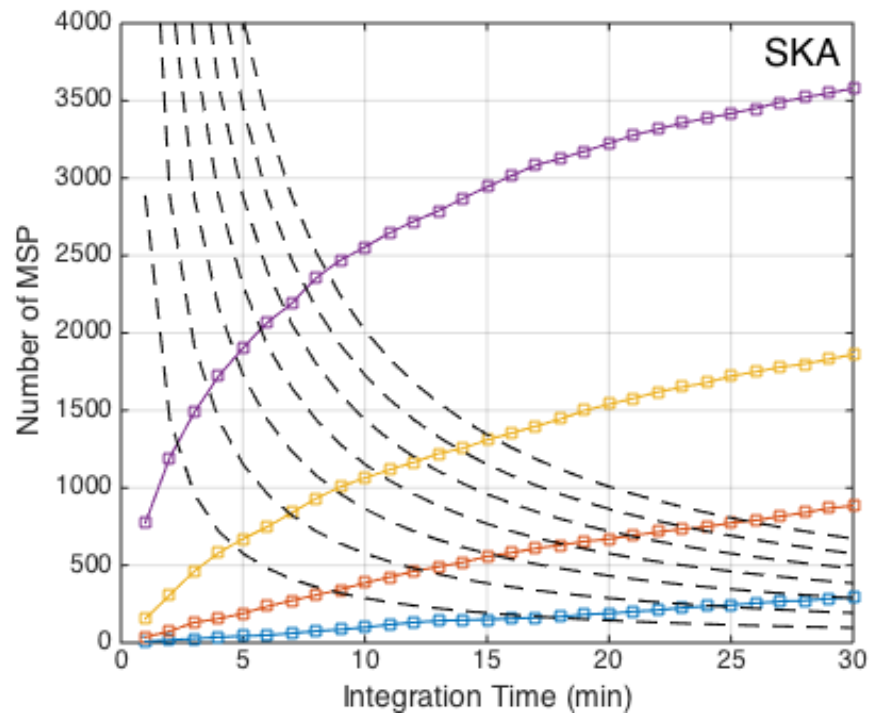
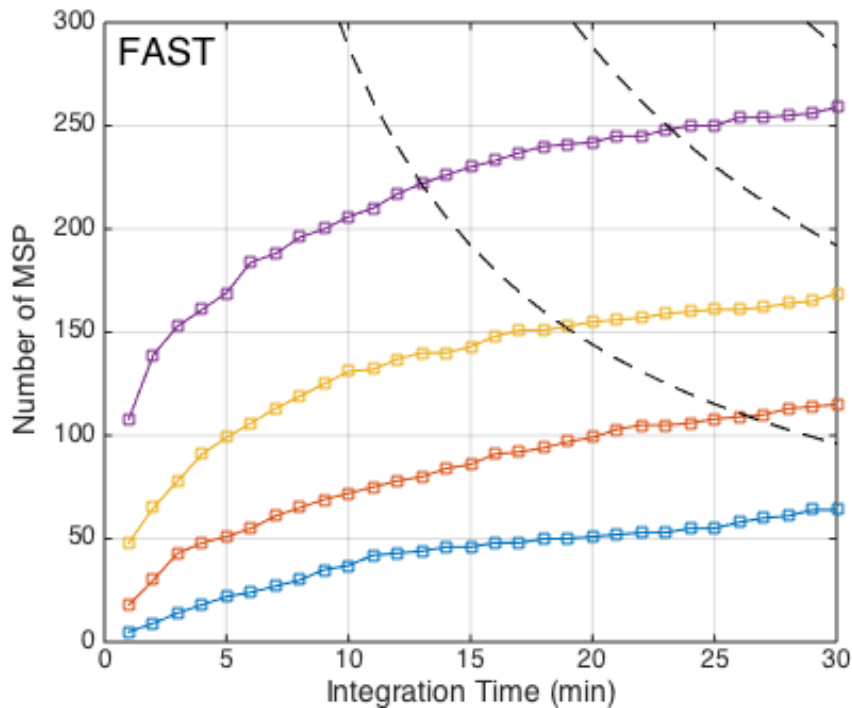
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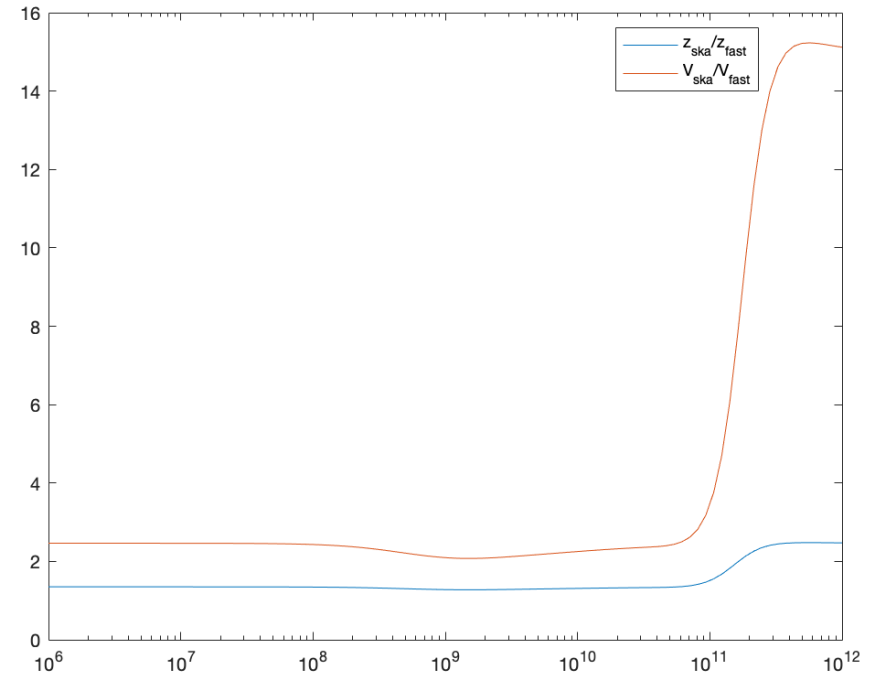
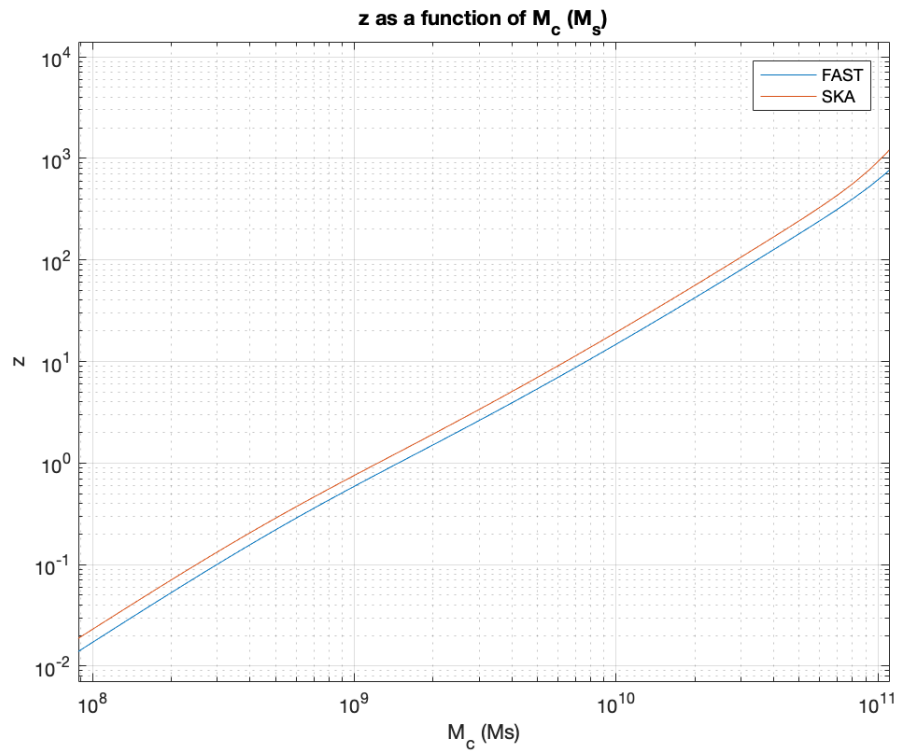
PTA in FAST and SKA era

Jitter noise: $\sigma_j \approx 0.28W \sqrt{\frac{P}{\Delta t}}$

Radiometer noise: $\sigma_r \approx \frac{WS}{F\sqrt{2\Delta f\Delta t}} \sqrt{\frac{W}{P-W}}$



Detection horizon for SKA and FAST





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