

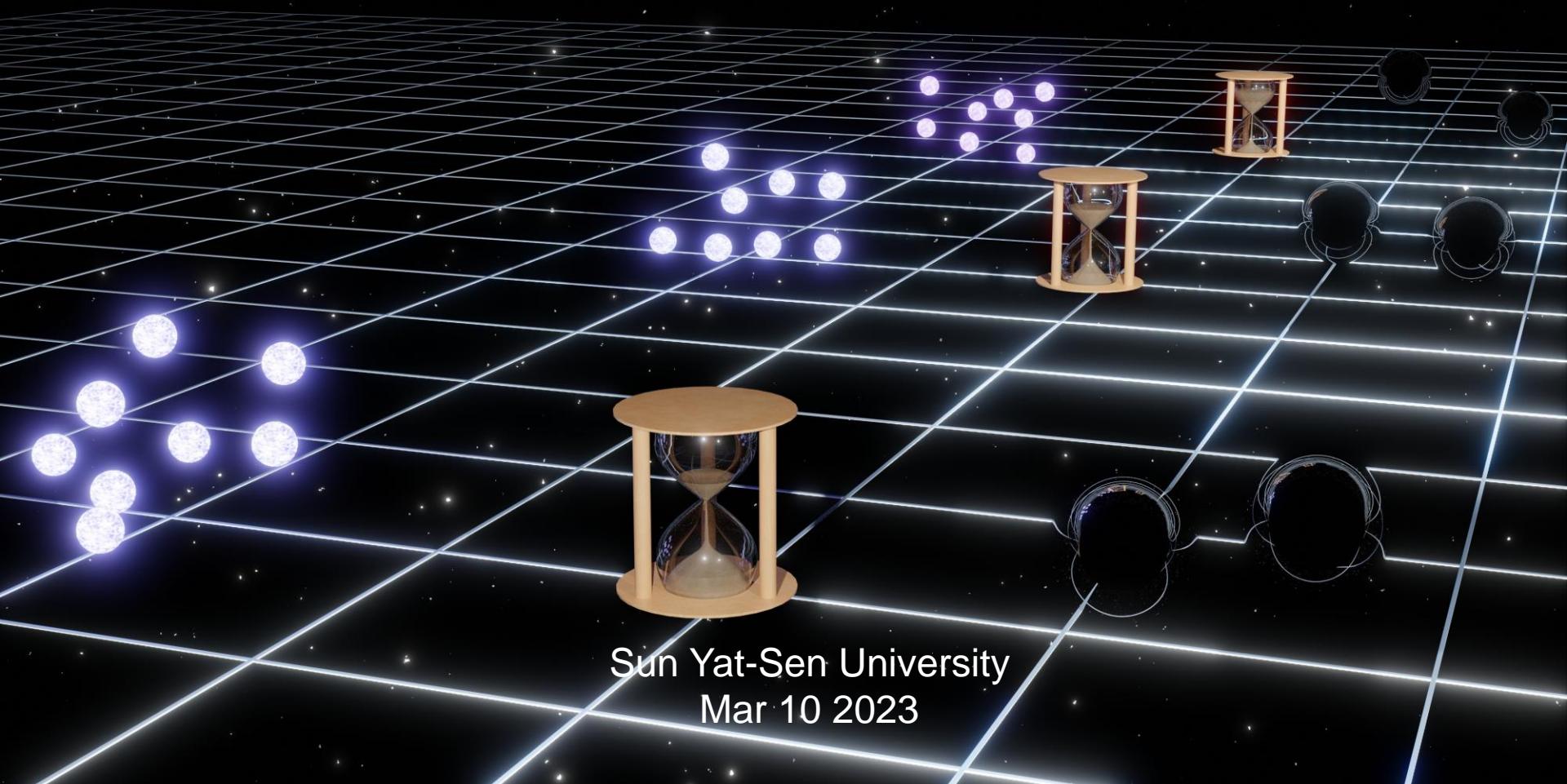
# Measure the Universe with Cosmological Standard Timers

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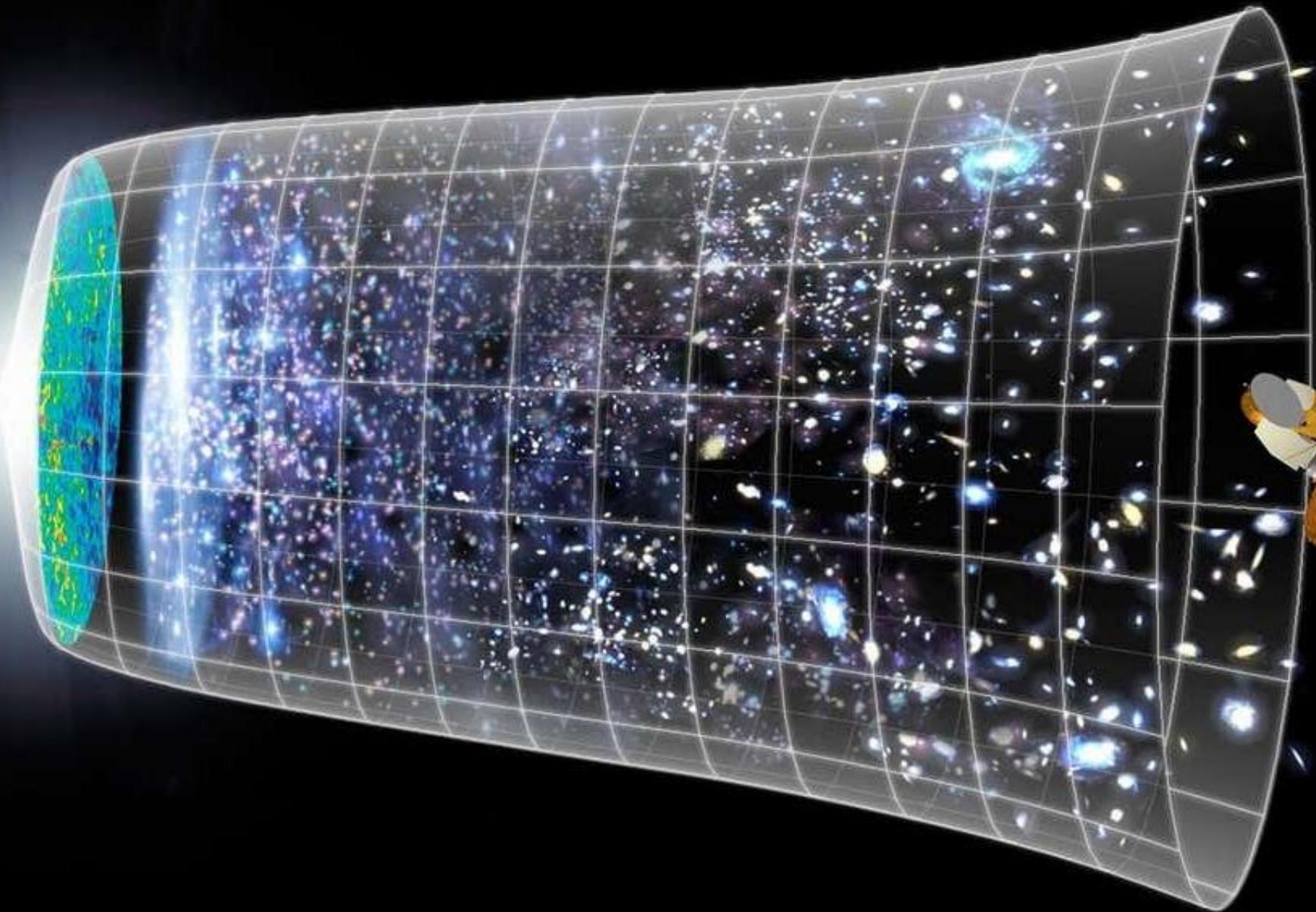


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How to measure the Universe?

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## Standard Candle

## Standard Ruler

$$F = \frac{L}{4\pi d_L^2(z)}$$

$$\theta = \frac{r_s}{D_M(z)}$$

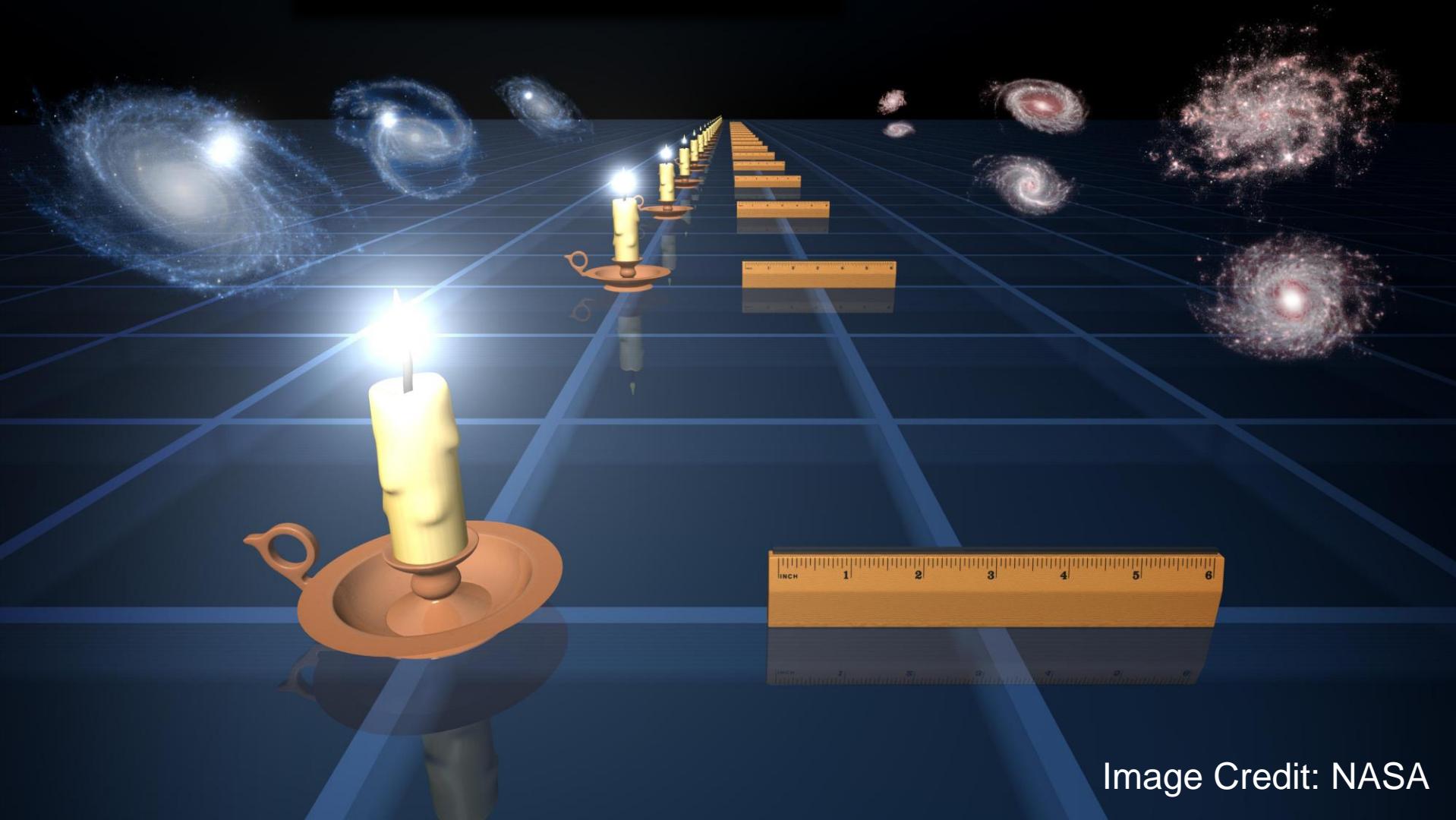
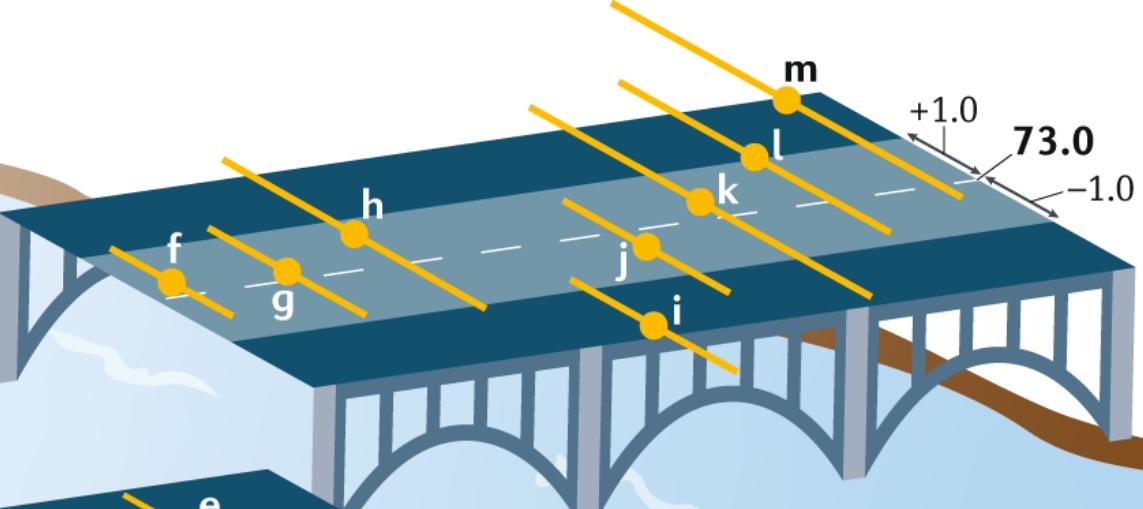


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## Early route

- a Planck
- b BBN+BAO
- c WMAP+BAO
- d ACTPol+BAO
- e SPT-SZ+BAO



## Late route

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|-----------|-----------|
| f SH0ES   | g H0LiCOW |
| h STRIDES | i TRGB 1  |
| j TRGB 2  | k Miras   |
| l Masers  | m SBF     |

## Potential Tension

Riess, Adam G. "The expansion of the universe is faster than expected." *Nature Reviews Physics* 2.1 (2020): 10-12.



Another way to measure the Universe?





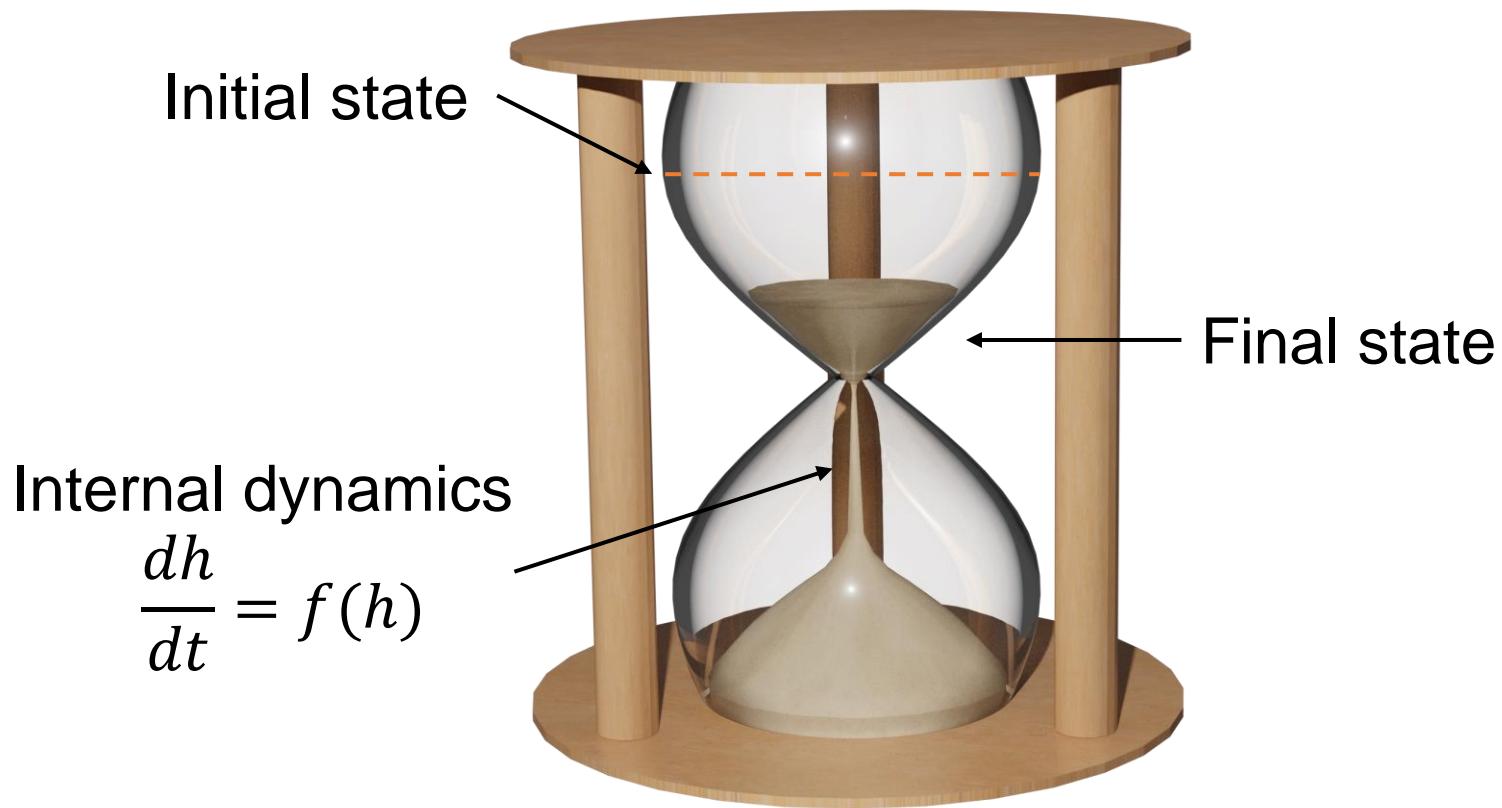
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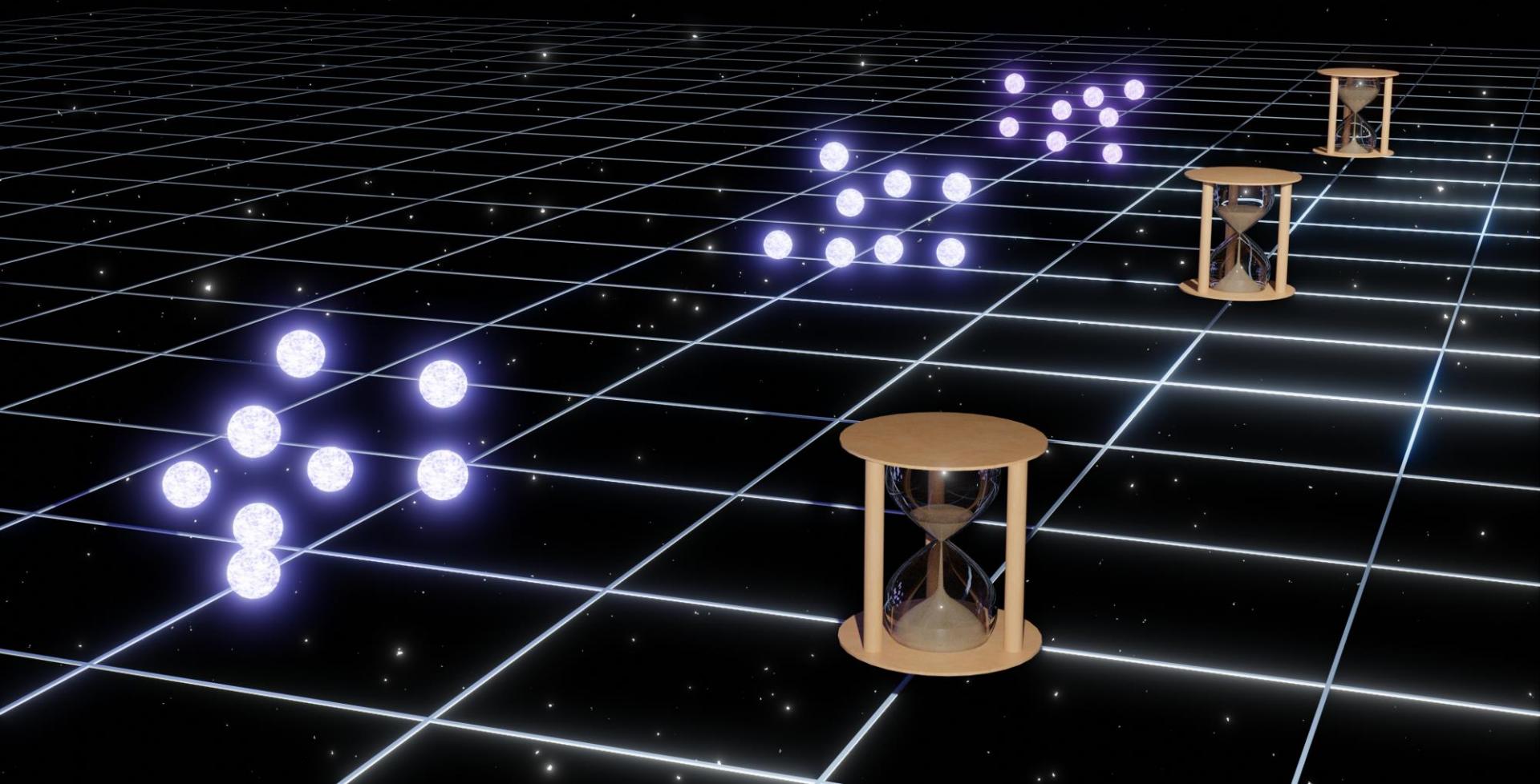
How to know the elapsed time in the timer?



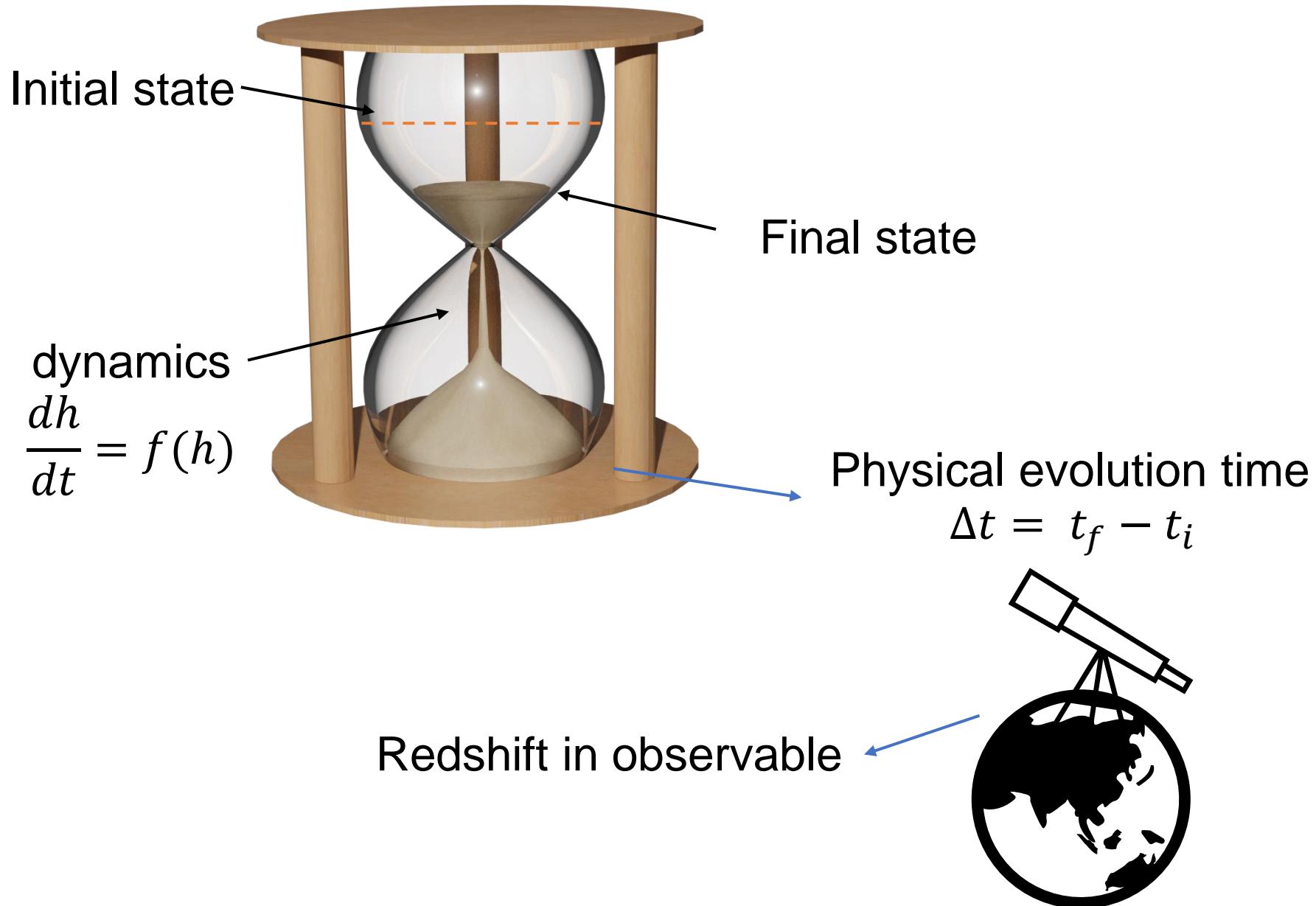


# How to obtain $a(t)$ ?

$$1 + z(t) = \frac{a_0}{a(t)}$$



# Standard timers in dynamical systems



# A single parameter standard timer

**Initial state:** Initial statistical distribution of dynamical systems

$$S(M; t_i) = \frac{dN}{dM_i}$$

**Dynamic:** time evolution of parameter in dynamical systems

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = -f(M) \Rightarrow \int_{M_i}^{M_t} \frac{dM}{f(M)} = g(M_t) - g(M_i) = -\Delta t$$

**Final state:** Statistical distribution of dynamical systems at physical time  $t$

$$S(M; t) = \frac{dN}{dM_i} \frac{dM_i}{dM_t} = S(M; t_i) \frac{g'(M_t)}{g'(g^{-1}(g(M_t) + \Delta t))}$$

**Observed state:** Redshifted statistical distribution of dynamical systems detected at redshift  $z$

$$S_o(M_z; t) = S_o(M_z; t_i) \frac{g'(M_z)}{g'(g^{-1}(g(M_z) + \Delta t_z))}$$

**Redshift-time relation:** Comparing the observed state with the initial state gives the **redshift-time relation**

$$S_o(M_z; t) \simeq \begin{cases} S(M; t_i) \frac{dM_i}{dM_i(\cancel{z})} & , \quad g(M_z) \gg \Delta t_z \\ S_o(g^{-1}(\cancel{\Delta t}_z); t_i) \frac{g'(M_z)}{g'(g^{-1}(\cancel{\Delta t}_z))}, & g(M_z) \ll \Delta t_z \end{cases}$$

# A multi-parameter standard timer

**Initial state:** Initial statistical distribution of dynamical systems

$$S(\mathbf{M}; t_i) = \frac{dN}{d^n \mathbf{M}_i}$$

**Dynamic:** time evolution of parameter in dynamical systems

$$\frac{d\mathbf{M}}{dt} = -\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{M})$$

**Final state:** Statistical distribution of dynamical systems at physical time  $t$

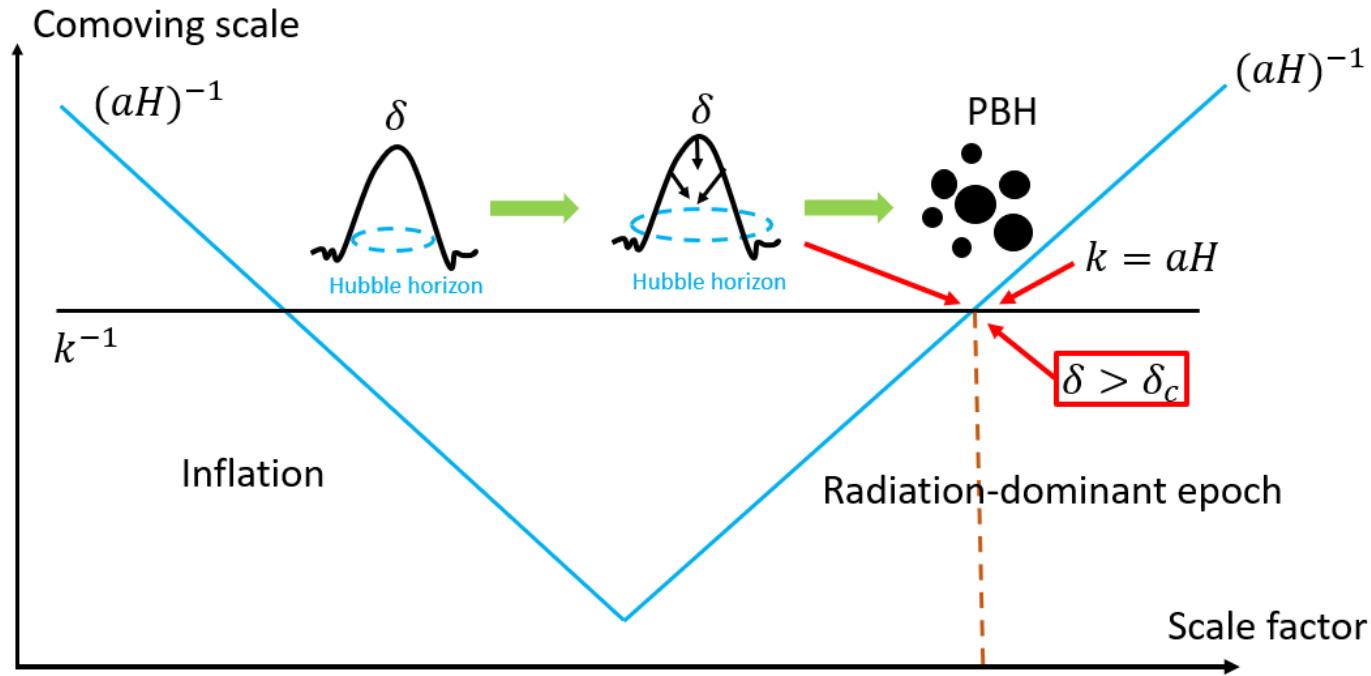
$$S(\mathbf{M}; t) = \frac{dN}{d^n \mathbf{M}_i} \det \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{M}, \Delta t) = S(\mathbf{M}; t_i) \det \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{M}, \Delta t)$$

$$\mathbf{J}_{ij} \equiv \partial M_i(t_i) / \partial M_j(t)$$

**Observed state:** Redshifted statistical distribution of dynamical systems detected at redshift  $z$

$$S_o(\mathbf{M}_z; t) = \frac{dN}{d^n \mathbf{M}_i(z)} \det \mathbf{J}(\mathbf{M}_z, \Delta t_z)$$

# Primordial black holes as a standard timer candidate



The Primordial origin gives an identical primordial mass function

$$n(M) = \frac{f_{\text{PBH}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma M} \exp\left[-\frac{\ln^2(M/M_{pk})}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

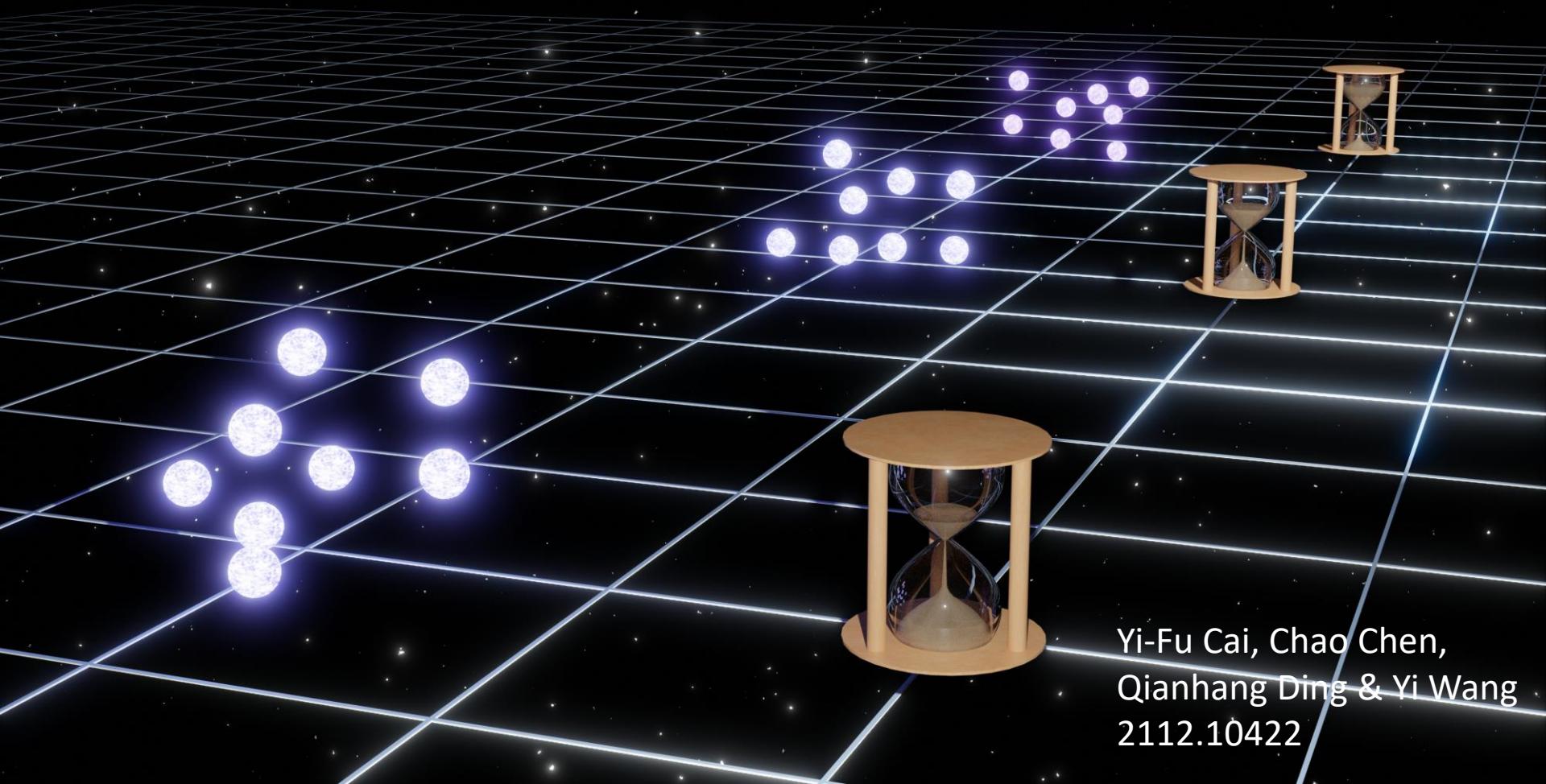
PBH binaries were formed with an identical probability distribution

$$\frac{dP}{da de} = \frac{3}{4} f_{\text{PBH}}^{3/2} \frac{a^{1/2}}{\bar{x}^{3/2}} \frac{e}{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}$$

# Standard Timers from Primordial Black Hole Clustering

The primordial mass function of PBHs

$$n(M) = \frac{f_{\text{PBH}}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma M} \exp\left[-\frac{\ln^2(M/M_{pk})}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$



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How to extract the physical evolution time?

## The evolution of the PBH mass function

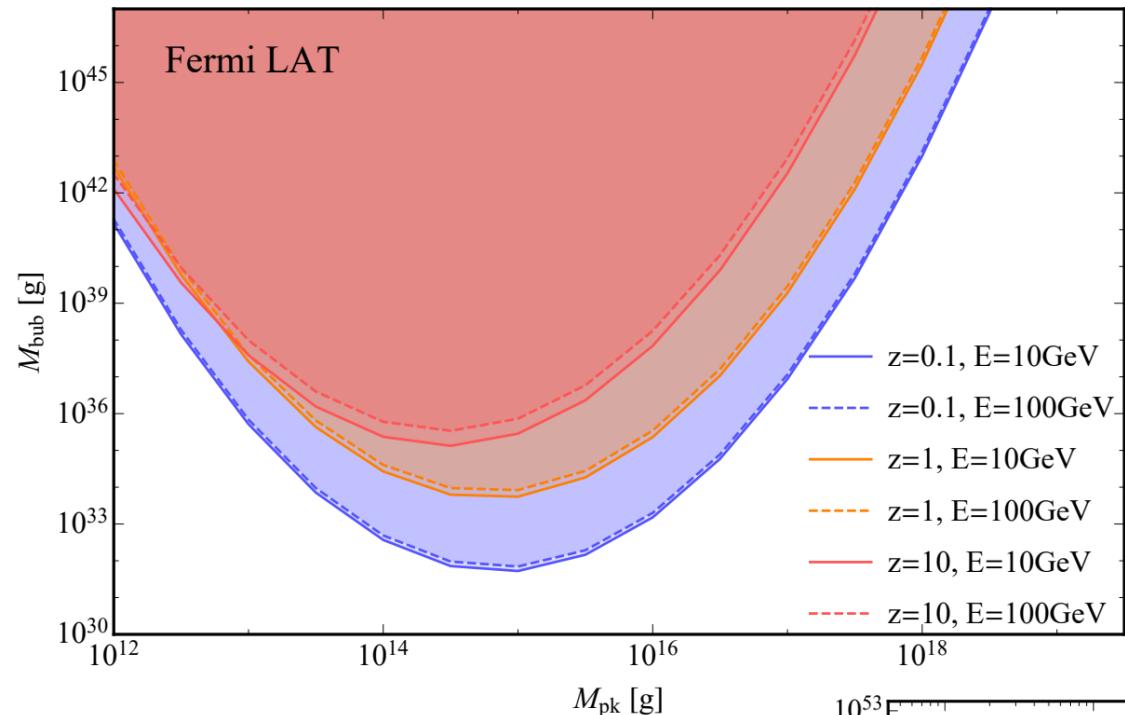
$$n(M; t) = \frac{dN}{dM} = \frac{dN}{dM_i} \frac{dM_i}{dM} = n(M; t_i) \frac{dM_i}{dM}$$

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = -\frac{\alpha}{M^2} \Rightarrow M^3 = M_i^3 - \delta^3(\Delta t)$$

$$n(M; t) = n(M; t_i) \frac{dM_i}{dM} = n(M; t_i) \frac{M^2}{(M^3 + \delta^3(\Delta t))^{2/3}}$$

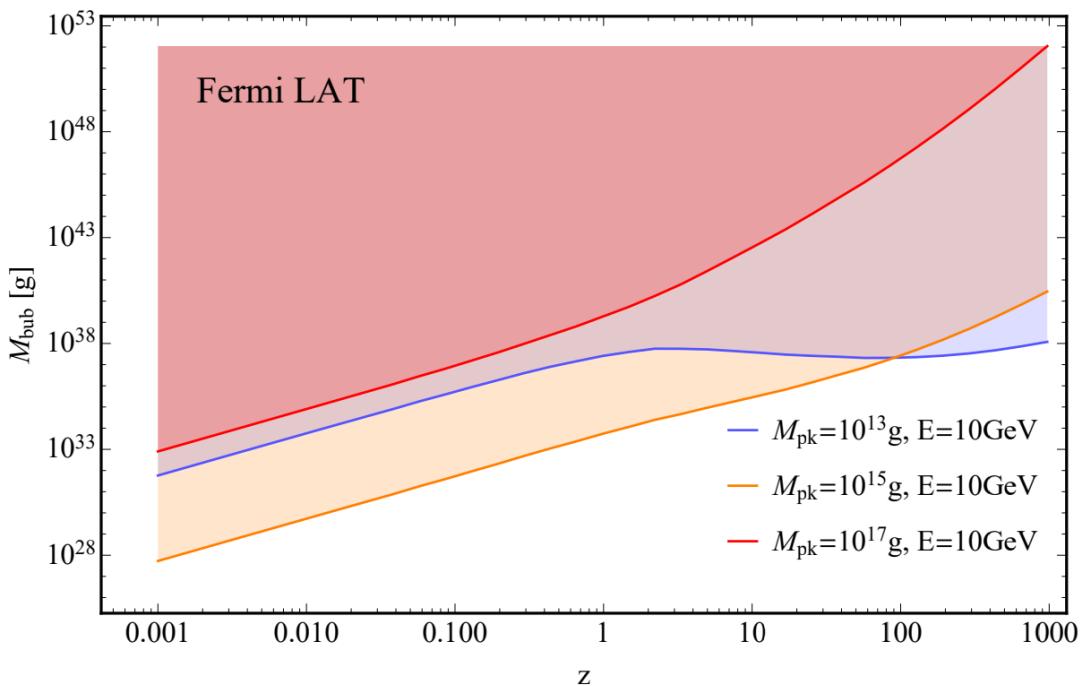
$$n(M; t) \simeq \frac{n(\delta(\Delta t); t_i)}{\delta^2(\Delta t)} M^2, \quad M \ll \delta(\Delta t)$$

Can we see them?



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How to extract the redshift from the observable?

# Primary Hawking radiation from the PBH clustering

$$P(E) = \int_0^\infty H_p(E, M) n(M) dM,$$
$$H_p(E, M) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\Gamma_1(E, M)}{e^{8\pi GM E} - 1} \quad \Gamma_1(E, M) \propto \begin{cases} G^4 M^4 E^4, & E < (8\pi GM)^{-1} \\ G^2 M^2 E^2, & E > (8\pi GM)^{-1} \end{cases}$$

Redshift in the observed photon flux

$$F(E; z) = \frac{L(E(1+z); z)}{4\pi d_L^2(z)} \simeq \frac{(1+z)^2 E^2 V}{4\pi d_L^2(z)} \int_0^\infty H_p(E(1+z), M) n(M; z) dM$$

$$H_p(E(1+z), M) = H_p(E, M(1+z))$$

$$\frac{4\pi F(E; z)}{E^2} \simeq \int_0^\infty H_p(E, M') n\left(\frac{M'}{1+z}; z\right) \frac{(1+z)V}{d_L^2(z)} dM'$$

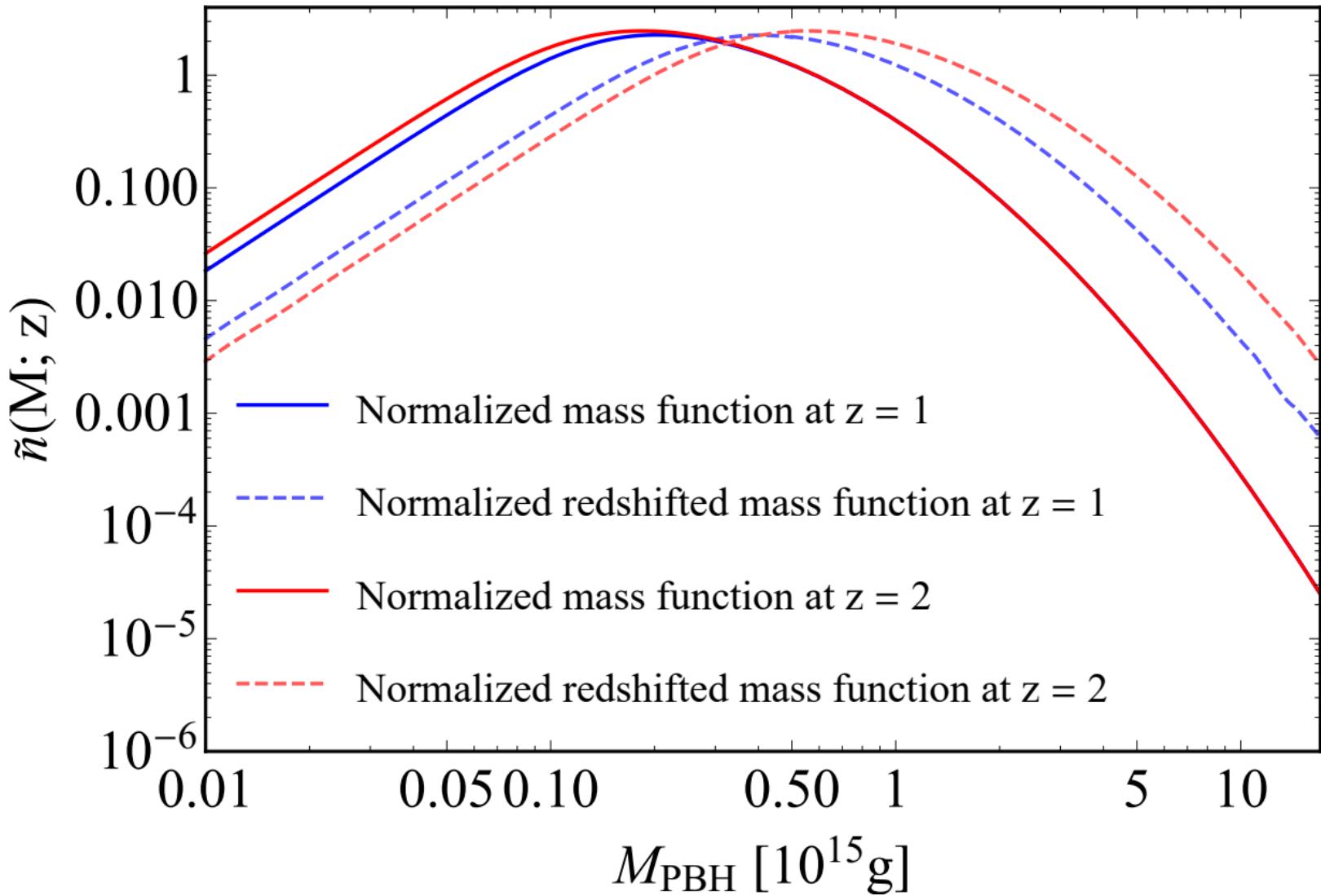
## Redshift from the inverse problem

$$P(E) = \int_0^\infty K(E, M) f(M) dM \Rightarrow f(M) = \int_0^\infty K^{-1}(E, M) P(E) dE$$

$$\frac{4\pi F(E; z)}{E^2} \simeq \int_0^\infty H_p(E, M) n\left(\frac{M}{1+z}; z\right) \frac{(1+z)V}{d_L^2(z)} dM$$

$$f(M) \simeq \int_0^\infty H_p^{-1}(E, M) \frac{4\pi F(E; z)}{E^2} dE$$

$$f(M) = n\left(\frac{M}{1+z}; z\right) \frac{(1+z)V}{d_L^2(z)}$$



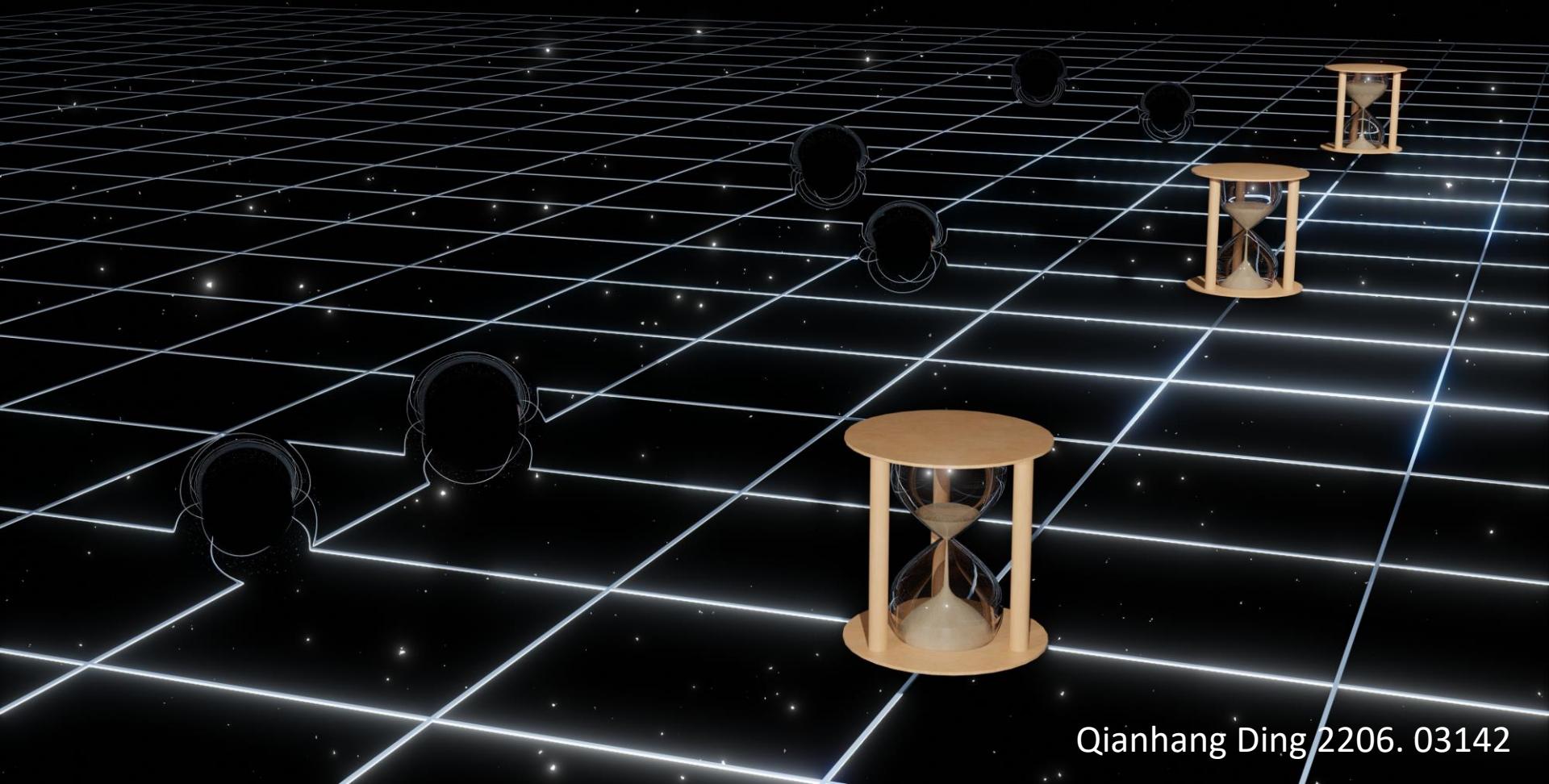
$$n(M) = \frac{f_{PBH}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma M} \exp\left[-\frac{\ln^2(M/M_{pk})}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

$$\tilde{n}(M; z) = n\left(\frac{M}{1+z}; z\right)$$

# Standard Timers from Primordial Black Hole Binaries

The initial probability distribution on  $a$  and  $e$

$$\frac{dP}{da de} = \frac{3}{4} f_{\text{PBH}}^{3/2} \frac{a^{1/2}}{\bar{x}^{3/2}} \frac{e}{(1-e^2)^{3/2}}$$



How to extract the physical evolution time?

# The evolution of probability distribution in PBH binaries

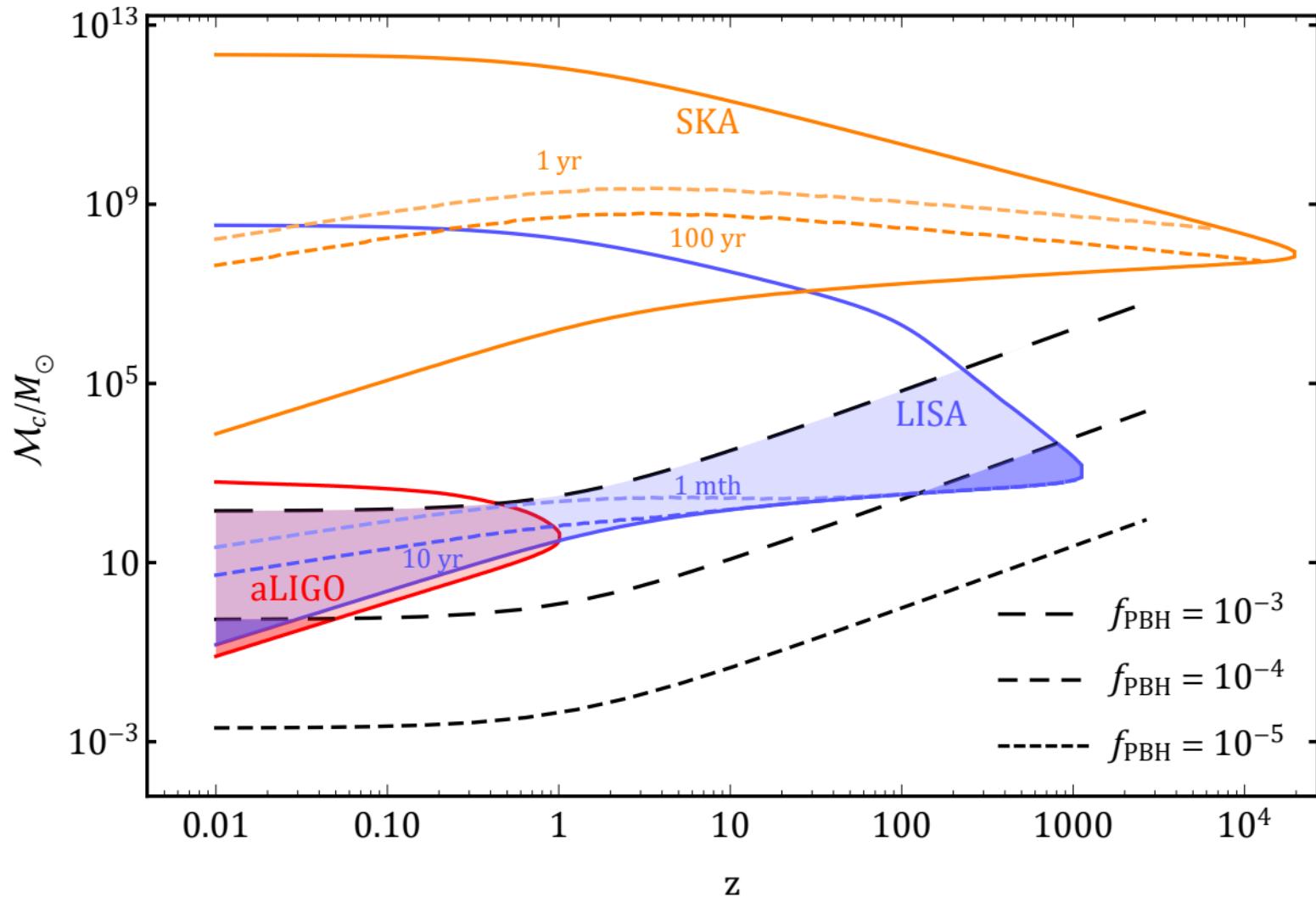
$$\frac{dP}{da_t de_t} = \frac{dP}{da_i de_i} \det J(a, e, \Delta t)$$

$$J(a, e, \Delta t) = \begin{pmatrix} \partial a_i / \partial a_t & \partial a_i / \partial e_t \\ \partial e_i / \partial a_t & \partial e_i / \partial e_t \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{da}{dt} = -\frac{128}{5} \frac{G^3 M_{\text{PBH}}^3}{c^5 a^3 (1 - e^2)^{7/2}} \left( 1 + \frac{73}{24} e^2 + \frac{37}{96} e^4 \right)$$

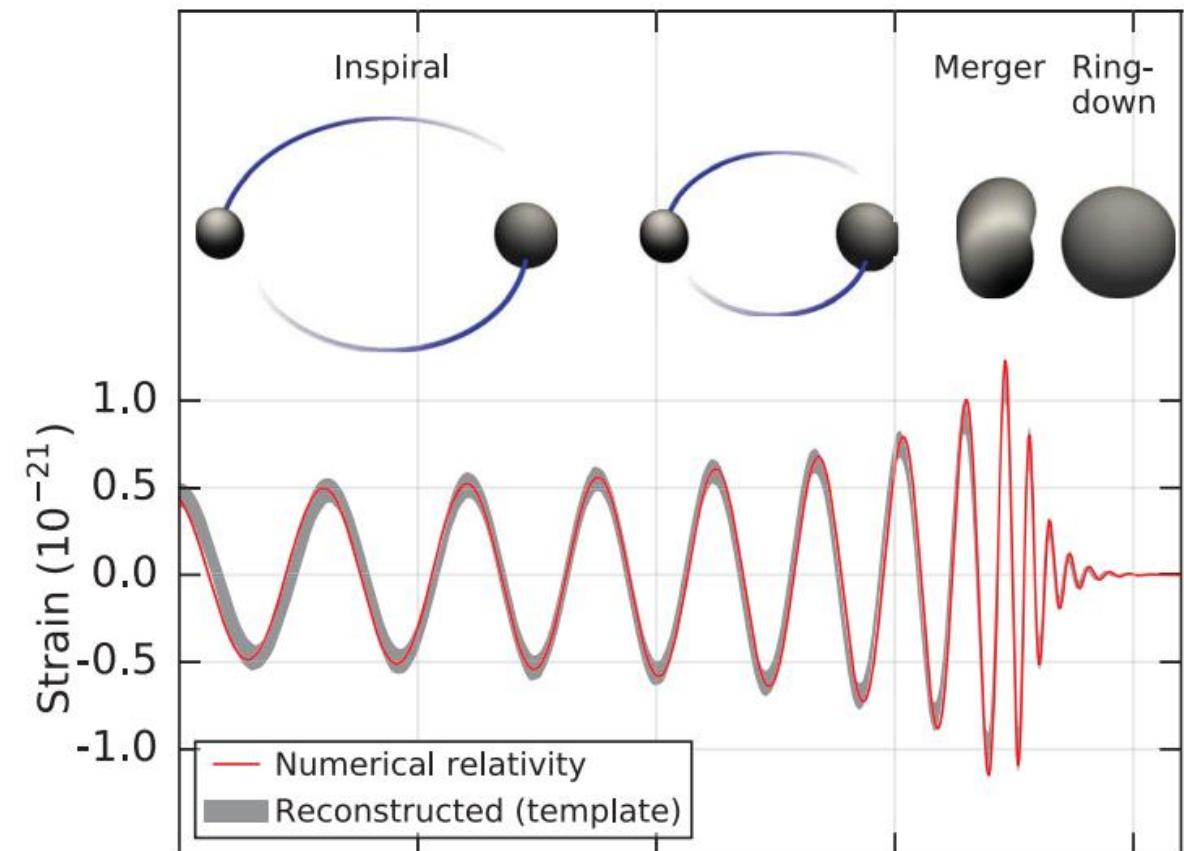
$$\frac{de}{dt} = -\frac{608}{15} \frac{G^3 M_{\text{PBH}}^3}{c^5 a^4} \frac{e}{(1 - e^2)^{5/2}} \left( 1 + \frac{121}{304} e^2 \right)$$

Can we see them?



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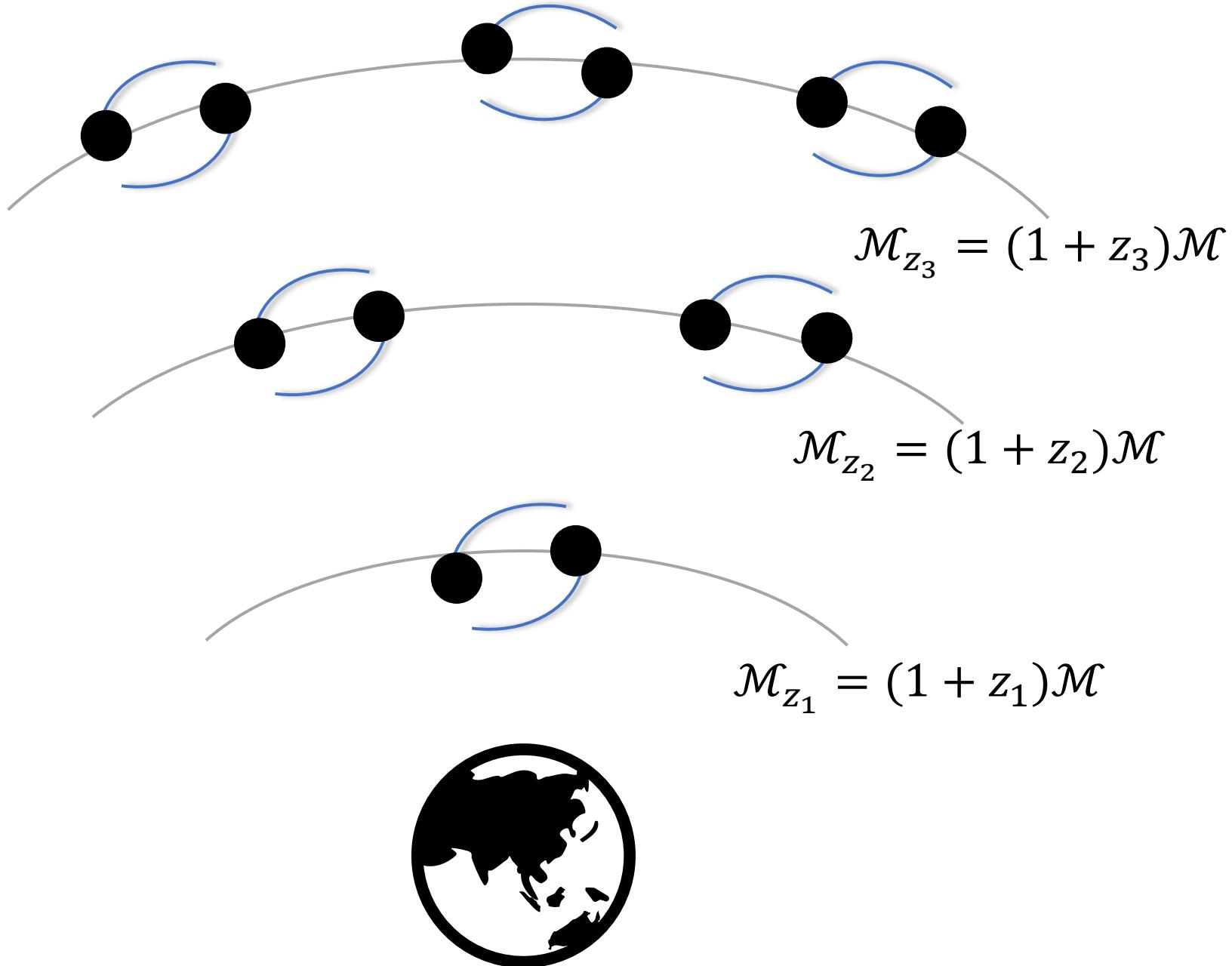
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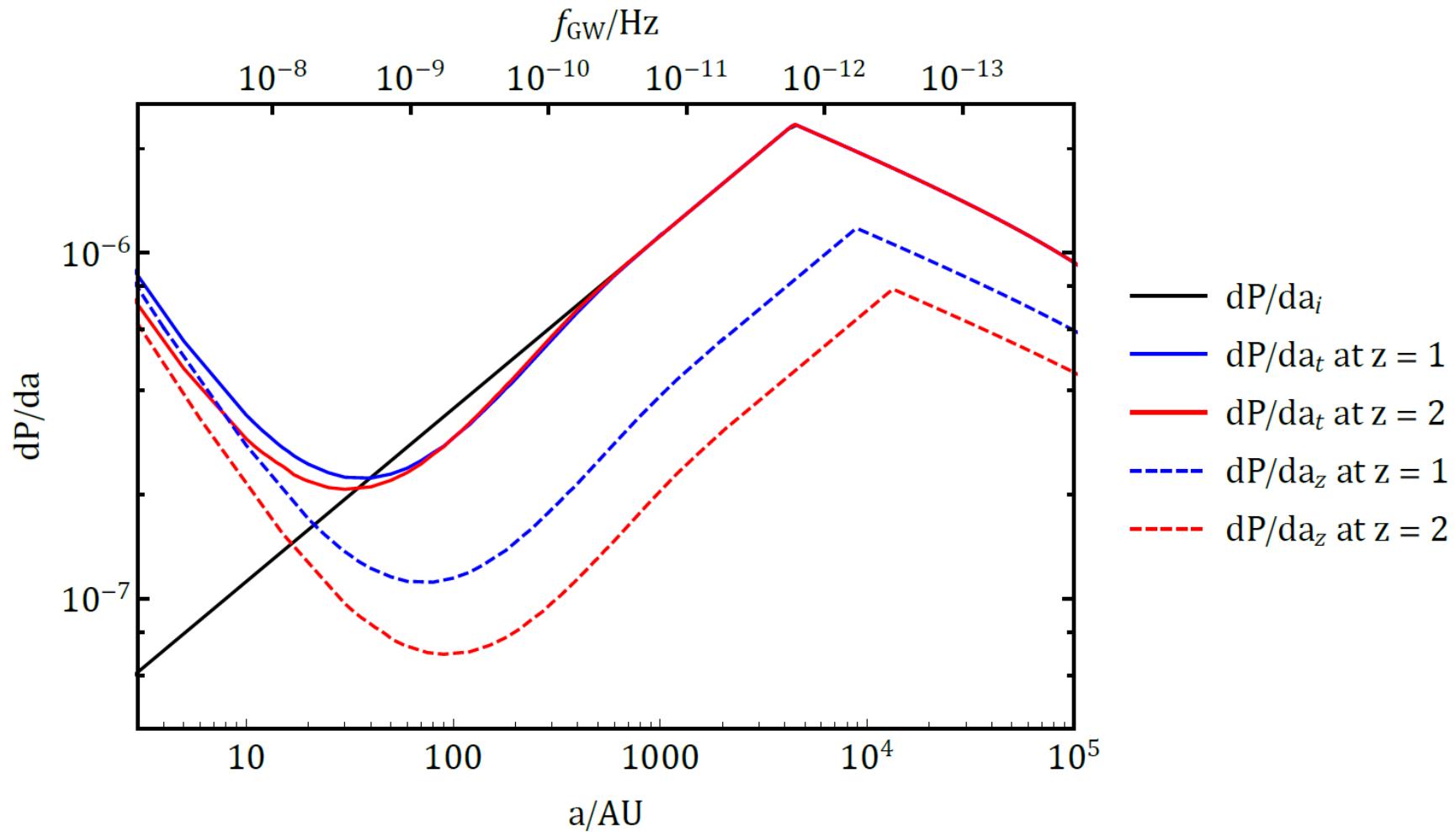


Redshifted Chirp Mass

$$\mathcal{M}_z = (1 + z)\mathcal{M}$$

B. P. Abbott et al. Observation of Gravitational Waves from a Binary Black Hole Merger. Phys. Rev. Lett., 116(6):061102, 2016.

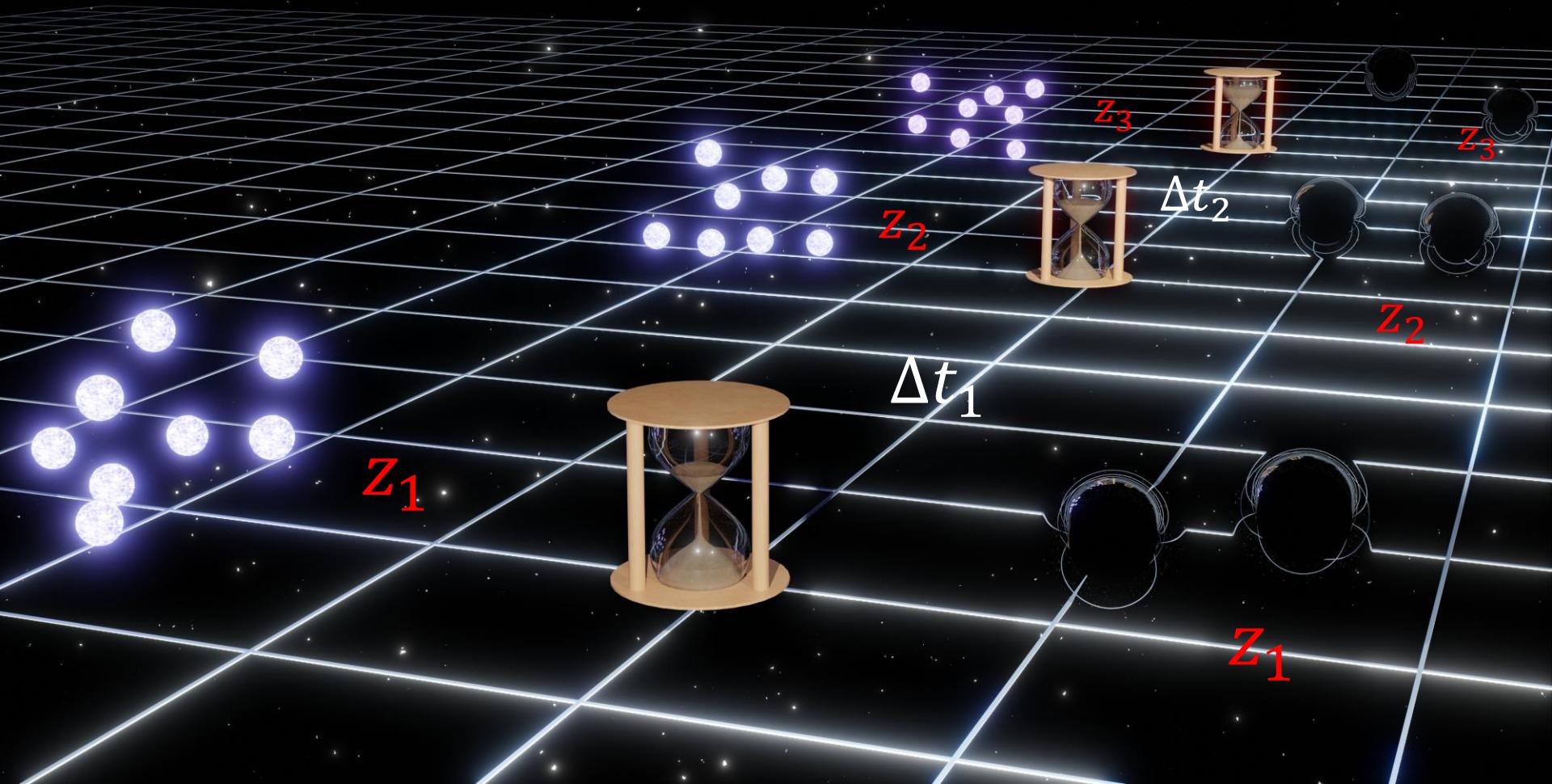




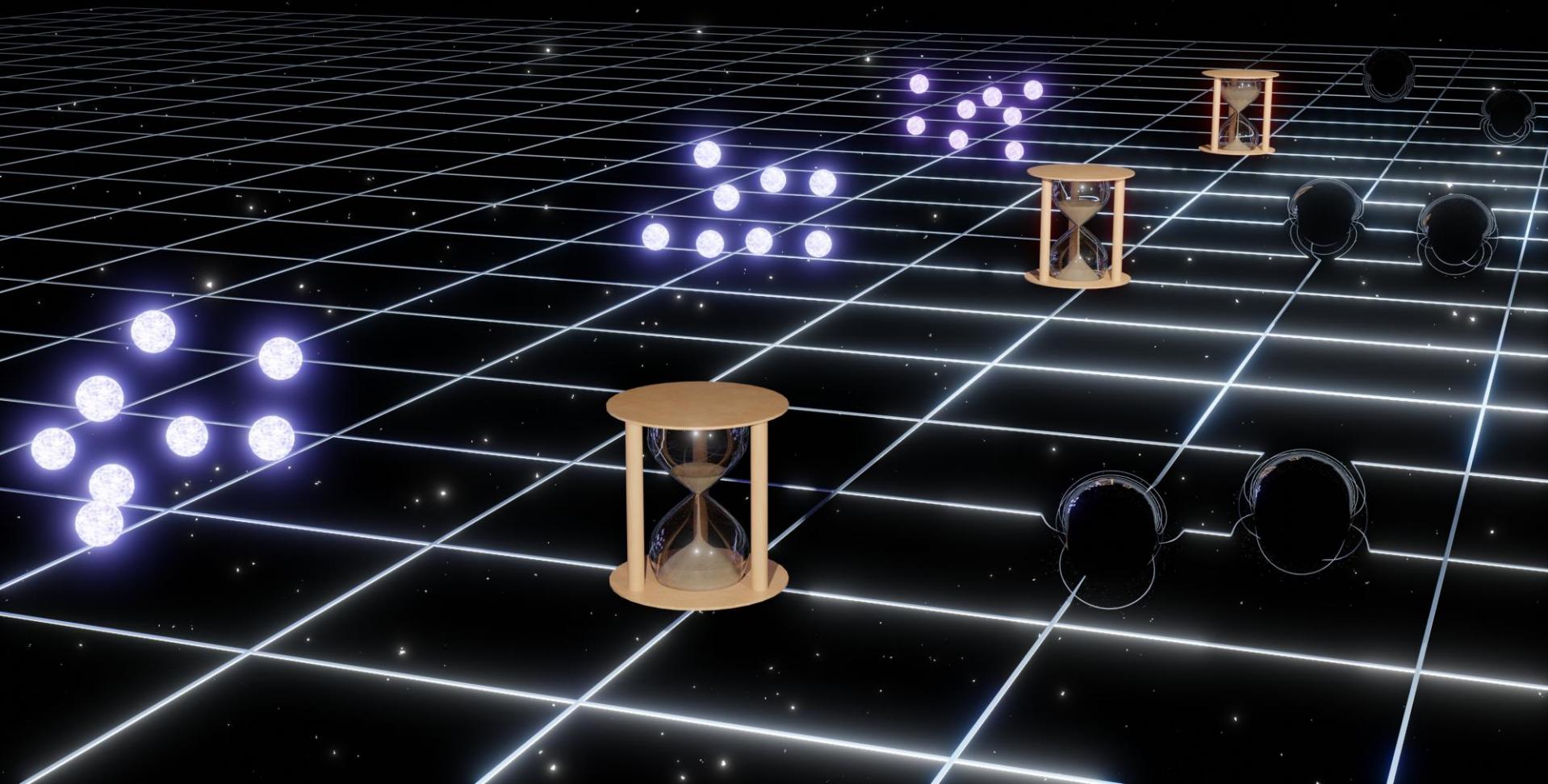
$$\frac{dP}{da_z} = \frac{1}{1+z} \frac{dP}{da_i}$$

$$\Delta t = \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{dz}{H(z)(1+z)}$$

$$H(z) = H_0 \sqrt{\Omega_\gamma(1+z)^4 + \Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda}$$

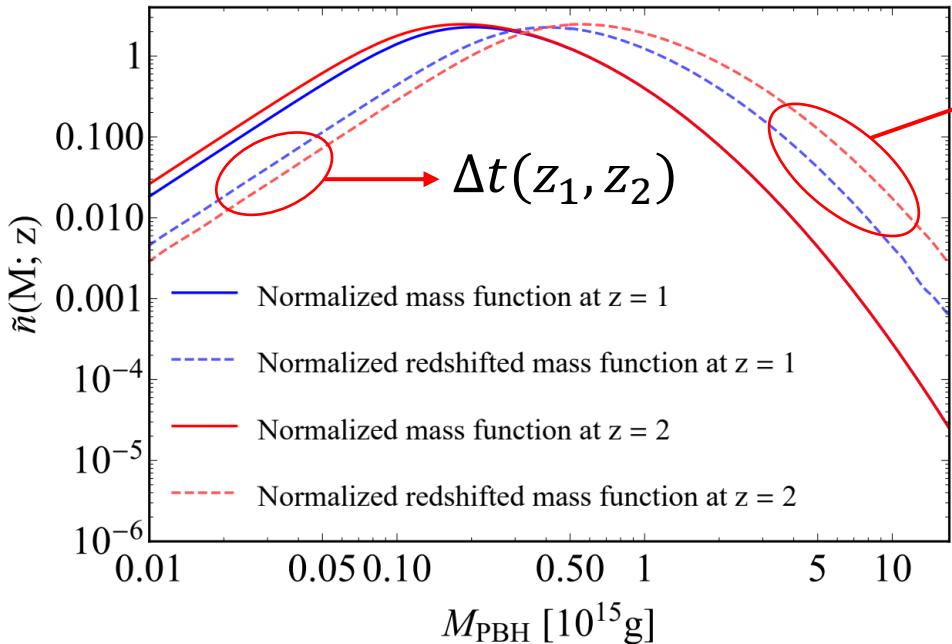


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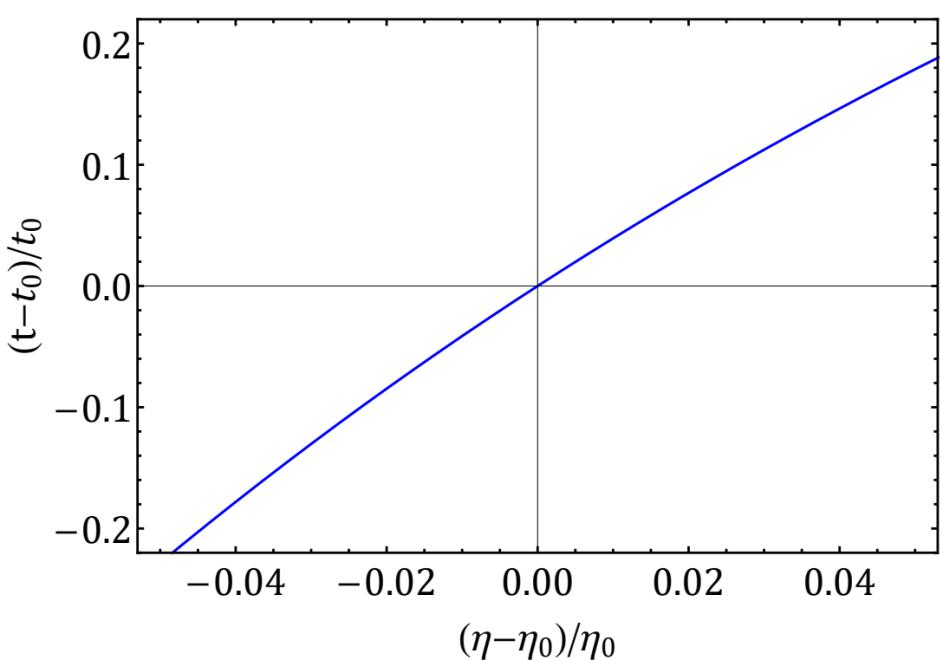
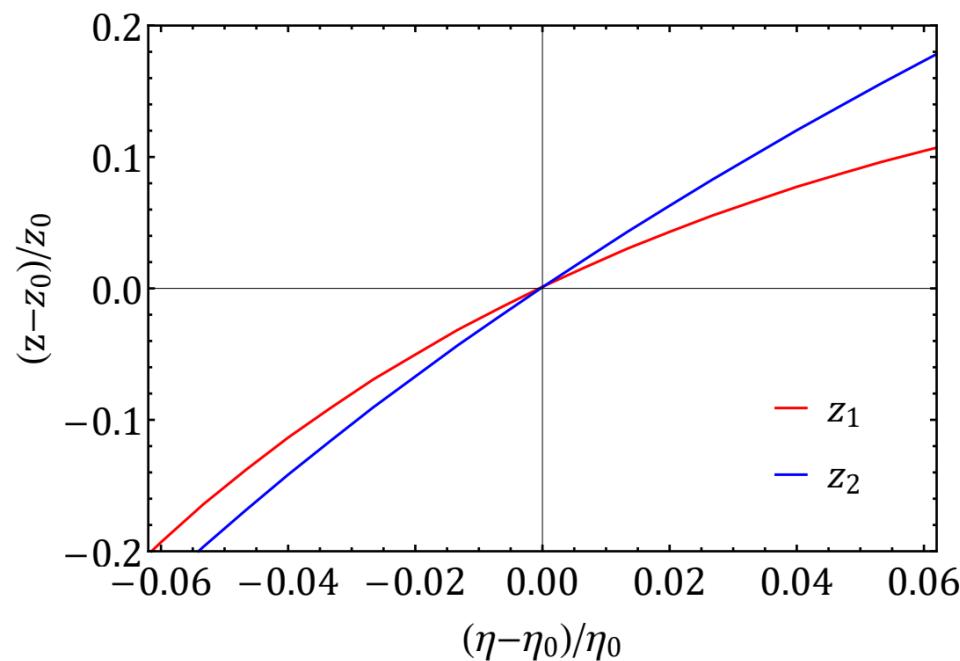
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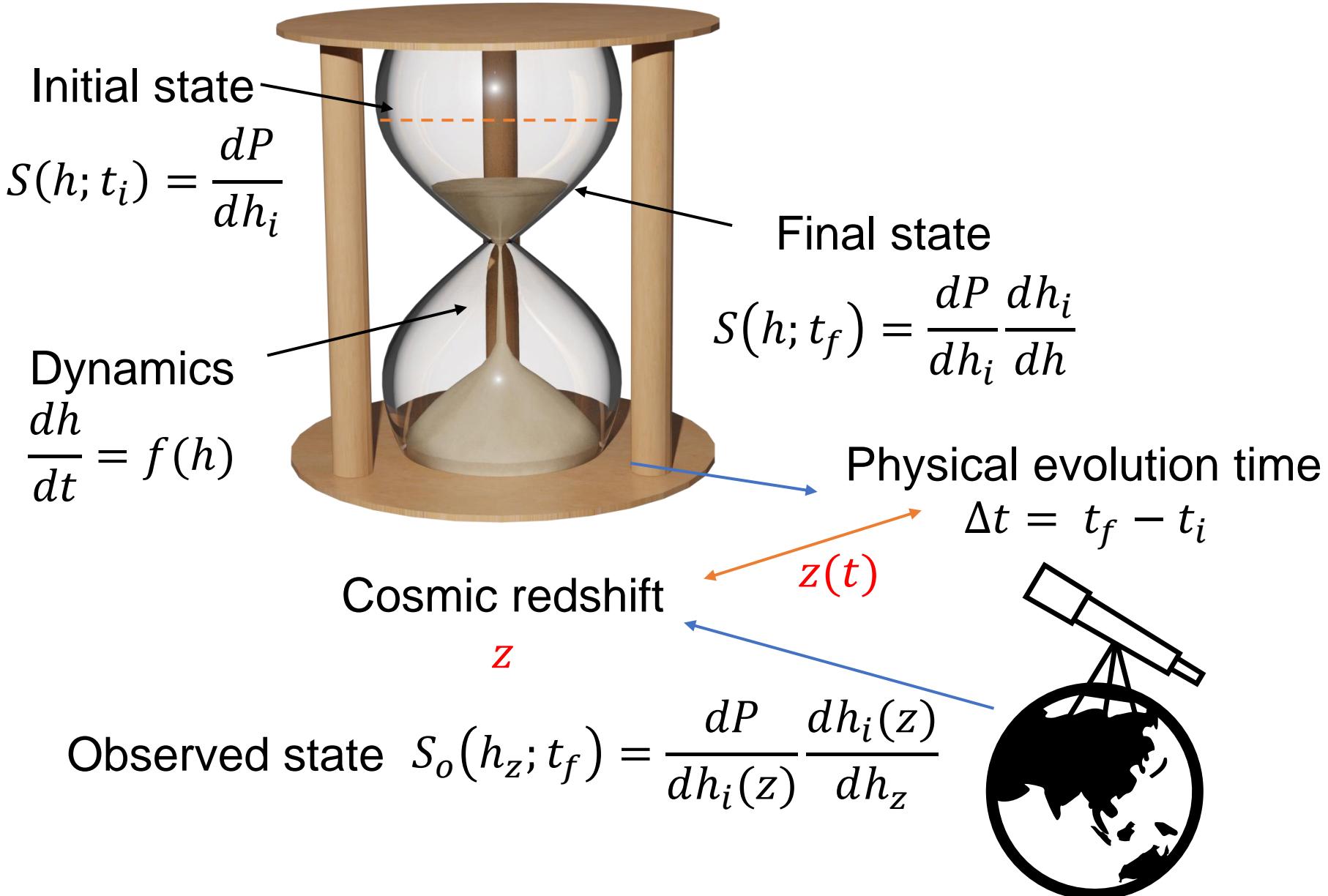
$$\eta = \frac{1 + z_2}{1 + z_1}$$

$$t_z = \int_{z_1}^{z_2} \frac{dz}{H(z)(1+z)}$$

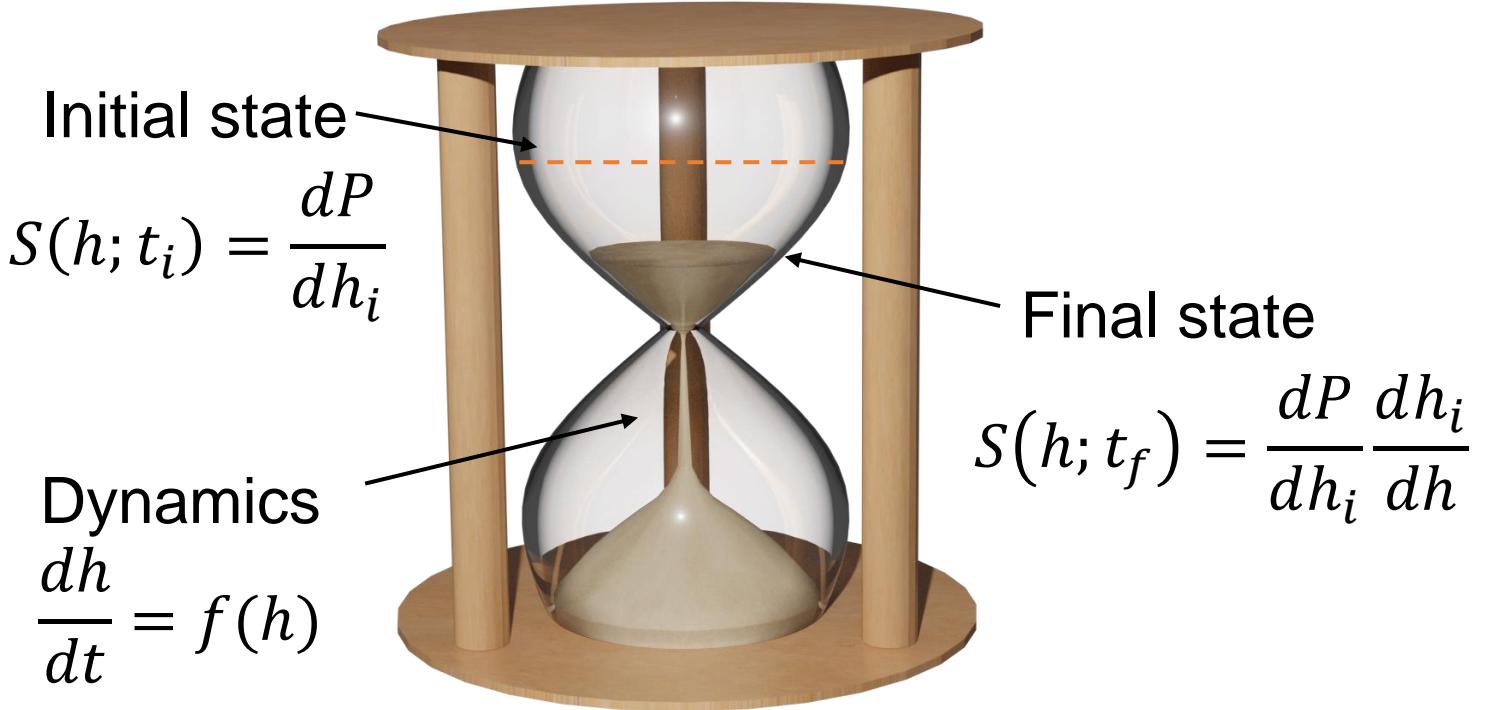
$$\Delta t(z_1, z_2) = t_z$$



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Observed state

$$S_o(h_z; t_f) = \int K^{-1}(E, h_z) P(E) dE$$

