Binary Black Holes

Exoplanet Spin Stability

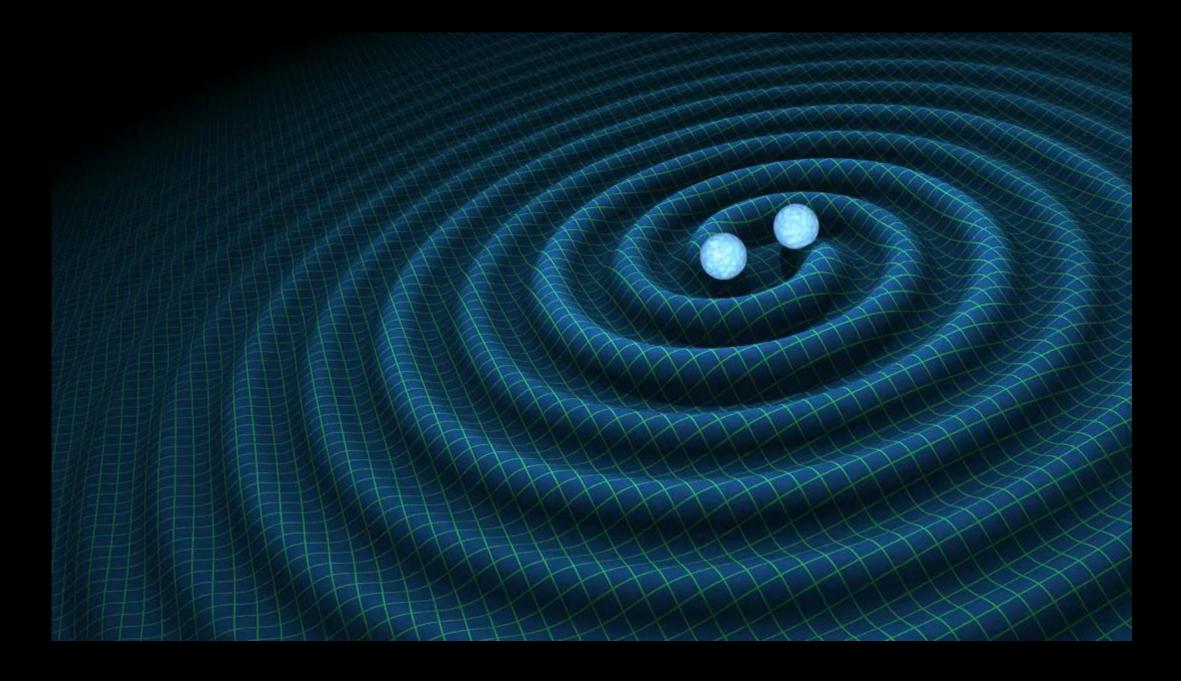
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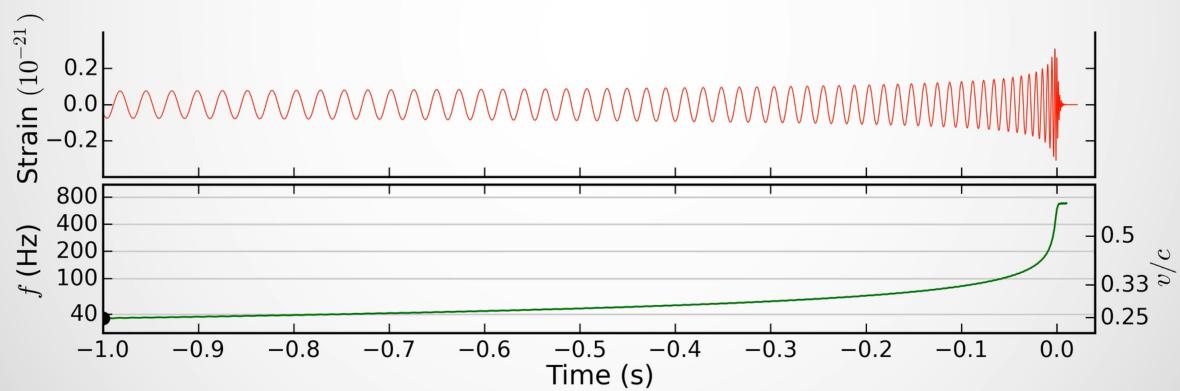






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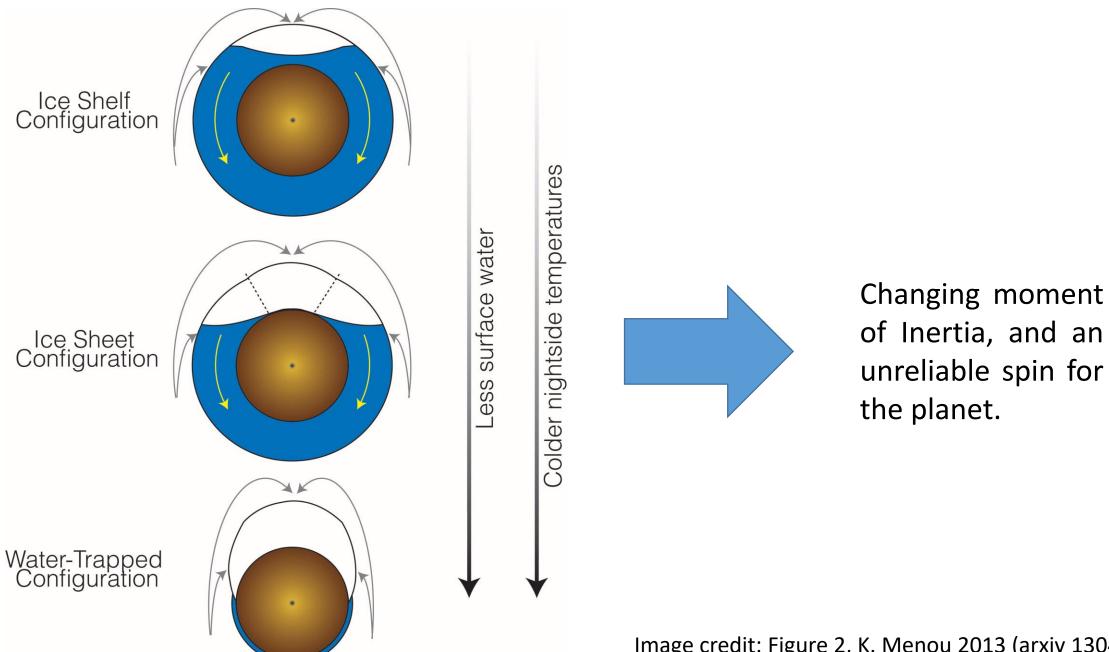


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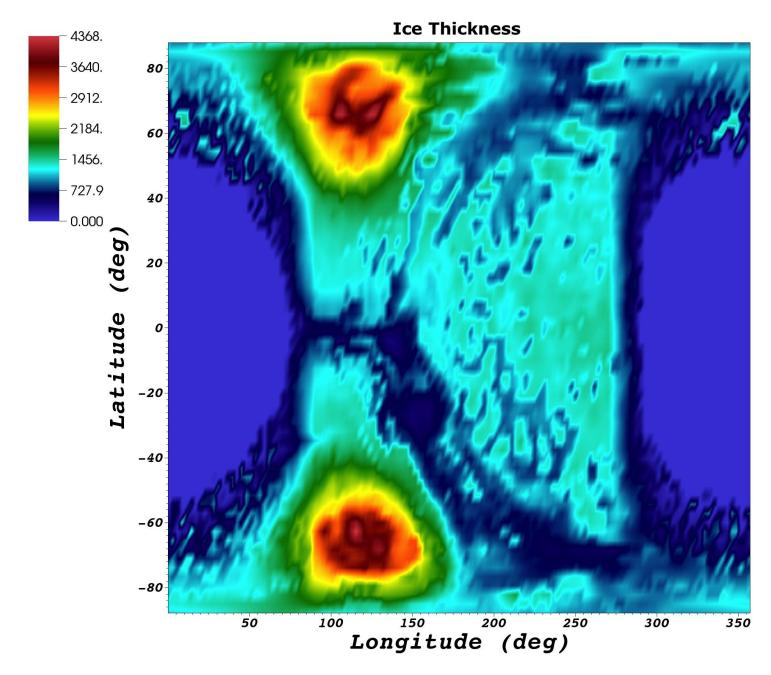


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Ice thickness over the tidally locked exoplanet with an Aquaplanet model. Ran with PlaSim on Sunnyvale, CITA cluster.

Use this information coupled with thermal tides to decipher and map the moment of inertia of the planet – is it really tidally locked?