

# Gravitational Wave Project

“Matched filtering”

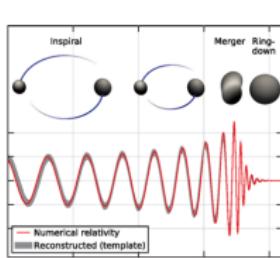
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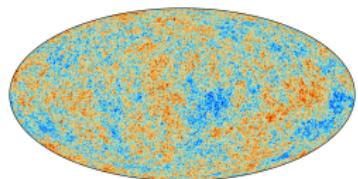
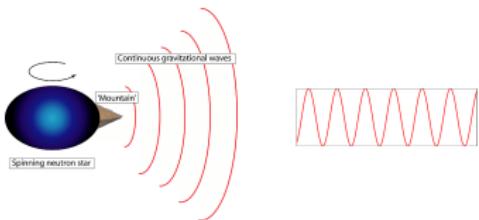
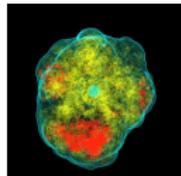
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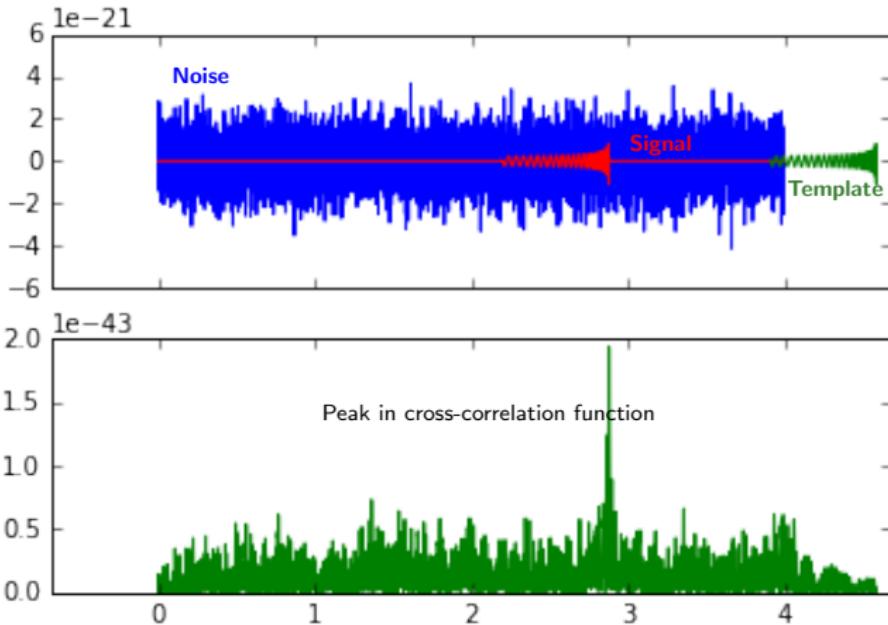
# Gravitational-wave sources



	Modelled	Unmodelled
Transient	Compact binary coalescences NS-NS, NS-BH, BBH	Bursts Supernova explosions
Persistent	Continuous waves Spinning deformed NS	Stochastic background Astrophysical + Cosmological



## Matched filtering



## In this project ...

- Code up a simple matched filtering algorithm
  - Newtonian **chirp** waveform
  - Gaussian **white** noise
- Search for a “fake” signal (with above assumptions)
  - When?? [time]      How heavy?? [mass]
- Look at stretches of LIGO-Virgo-KAGRA data (gwpy)
  - Determine its noise properties
- Try to generalize above algorithm for real data analysis
  - Discuss complications

## Pros and cons . . .

Project likely on the easier side :)

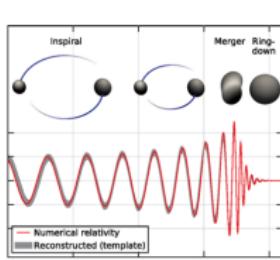
In line with the GW lectures by Elena Cuoco :)

Limited help available until until the very end :(

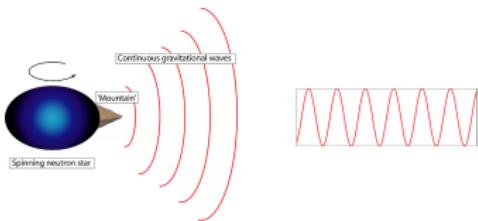
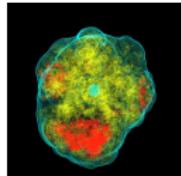
Python, SciPy, conda (gwy) . . . | cluster / laptop

# Reference slides

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## Gravitational-wave data analysis

Typically signal buried in noise significantly louder than itself.

In order to search for / study any signal,  
one needs a thorough understanding of the detector noise.

## Stationary Gaussian noise

Detector noise is **random**: detector output in absence of signal is a random number at every instant of time.

Stationary?

Its **statistical properties** do not change over time!

Caveat: they do!

# Stationary Gaussian noise

**Correlation** of noise with itself at an earlier (or later) time

$$\langle n(t)n(t+\tau) \rangle \equiv \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} dt n(t) n(t-\tau) = \kappa(\tau)$$

is a such a statistical property | “ergodicity”

In Fourier space

**power spectral density**

$$\langle \tilde{n}(f)\tilde{n}^*(f') \rangle = S_n(f)\delta(f-f'), \quad \text{where} \quad S_n(f) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt \kappa(t)e^{i2\pi ft}$$

$$\kappa(\tau) = \kappa(-\tau) \Rightarrow S_n(f) \text{ is real}$$

dimensions of **time**

unit:  $\text{Hz}^{-1}$

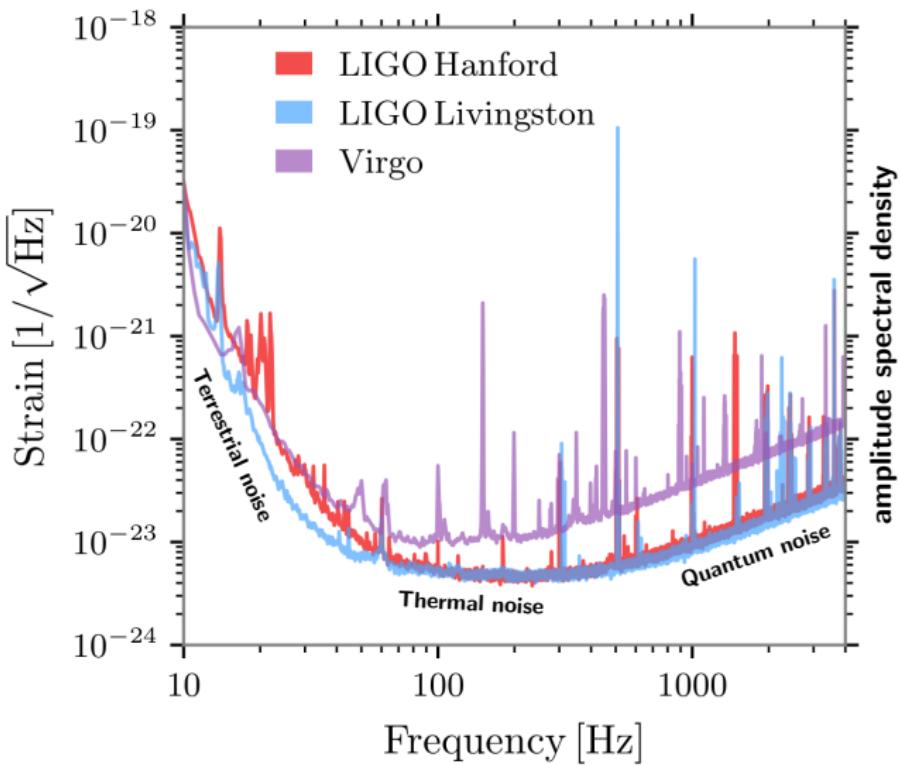
## Stationary Gaussian noise

$$S_n(f) = \text{constant} : \text{white noise}$$

$$S_n(f) \propto \frac{1}{f} : \text{flicker noise}$$

$$S_n(f) \propto \frac{1}{f^2} : \text{random walk}$$

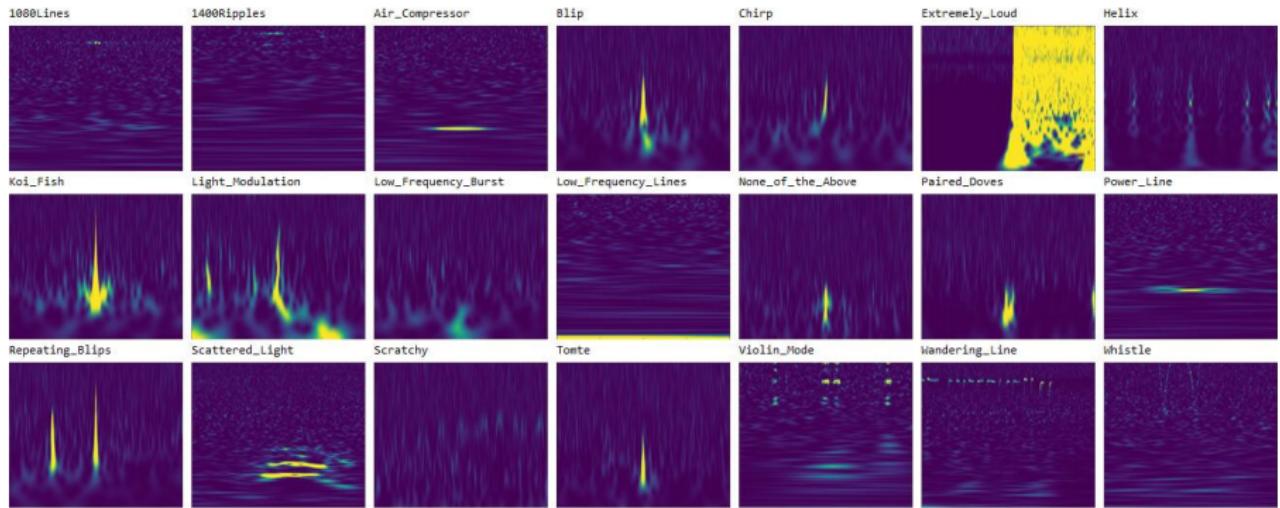
## Gravitational-wave detector noise



## Non-stationary effects

PSD slowly changing with time

transient “glitches”



## Searching for modelled signal in detector data

detector data = possible signal + noise:  $x(t) = h(t - t_{\text{arr}}) + n(t)$

Correlation of template  $q(t)$  with detector output.

$$c(\tau) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dt x(t) q(t + \tau)$$

lag  $\tau$ : effectively concentrates all information in signal in one place

**optimal filter**  $q(t)$  maximizes  $c(\tau)$  when  $h(t)$  in detector output

In frequency domain

$$c(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} df \tilde{x}(f) \tilde{q}^*(f) e^{-i2\pi f \tau}$$

# Searching for modelled signal in detector data

$$S \equiv \langle c(\tau) \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} df \tilde{h}(f) \tilde{q}^*(f) e^{-i2\pi f(\tau - t_{\text{arr}})}$$

$$N^2 \equiv \langle |c - \langle c \rangle|^2 \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} df S_n(f) |\tilde{q}(f)|^2$$

**Noise-weighted inner product** given  $a(t)$ ,  $b(t)$

$$\langle a|b \rangle \equiv 2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{df}{S_n(f)} \left[ \tilde{a}(f) \tilde{b}^*(f) + \tilde{a}^*(f) \tilde{b}(f) \right]$$

**Signal-to-noise ratio (SNR):**

$$\rho \equiv \frac{S}{N} = \frac{\langle h e^{i2\pi f t} | S_n q \rangle}{\langle S_n q | S_n q \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

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**Optimal template** that maximizes  $\rho$  is

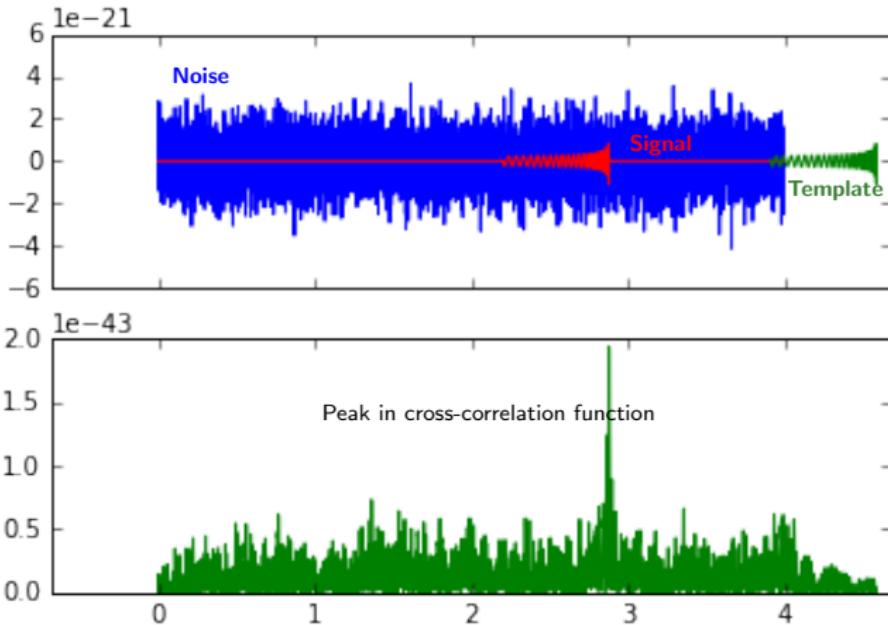
$$\tilde{q}(f) \sim \frac{\tilde{h}(f) e^{i 2 \pi f (t - t_{\text{arr}})}}{S_n(f)}$$

- SNR maximized when  $\tau = t_{\text{arr}}$
- Optimal filter = signal weighted down by PSD (not just copy of signal)

Optimal SNR

$$\rho_{\text{opt}} = \frac{\langle h | h \rangle}{\langle h | h \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \langle h | h \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} = 2 \left[ \int_0^{\infty} df \frac{|h(f)|^2}{S_n(f)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

## Matched filtering

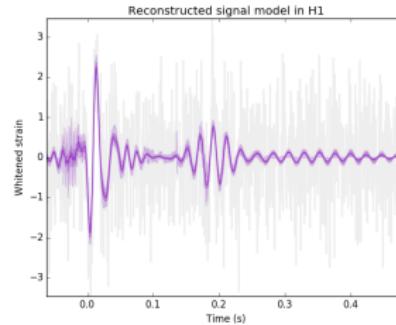
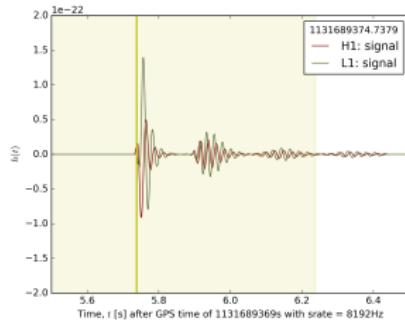


# Searching for unmodelled signal in detector data

- Wavelet reconstruction: look for coherent excess power



**Morlet-Gabor**



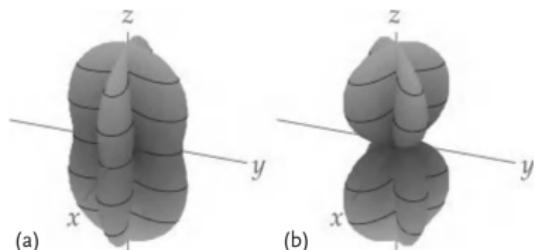
# Detector strain from an astrophysical signal

- Location of source w.r.t (arms of) the detector:  $(\theta, \phi)$
- Polarization angle:  $\psi$

$$F_+(\theta, \phi, \psi) = -\frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos^2 \theta) \cos 2\phi \cos 2\psi - \cos \theta \sin 2\phi \sin 2\psi \quad (\text{A.10})$$

$$F_\times(\theta, \phi, \psi) = +\frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos^2 \theta) \cos 2\phi \sin 2\psi - \cos \theta \sin 2\phi \cos 2\psi . \quad (\text{A.11})$$

These beam pattern functions are shown in Figure A.1.



**Figure A.1** The beam pattern functions  $F_+^2(\theta, \phi, \psi = 0)$  (a) and  $F_\times^2(\theta, \phi, \psi = 0)$  (b) for an interferometric gravitational-wave detector with orthogonal arms along the x- and y-axes.

detector strain     $h = F_+(\theta, \phi, \psi)h_+(t - t_{\text{arr}}) + F_\times(\theta, \phi, \psi)h_\times(t - t_{\text{arr}})$

# Searching for unmodelled signal in detector data

Multiple reconstructions: which reconstruction to choose?

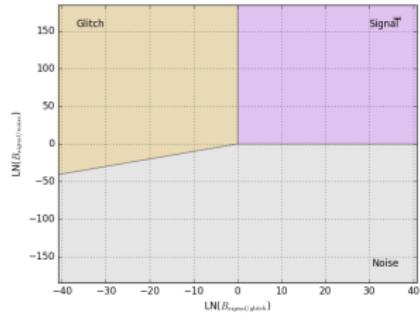
**Bayesian Occam's razor:** simpler reconstruction; fewer params

**detector strain = signal + glitch + gaussian noise**

**signal model:**  $F_{\text{detector}}^+(\theta, \phi, \psi)h_+(t - t_{\text{arr}}) + F_{\text{detector}}^\times(\theta, \phi, \psi)h_\times(t - t_{\text{arr}})$

**glitch model:** independent sum of wavelets in each detector

**noise model:** gaussian noise of given (or measured) PSD

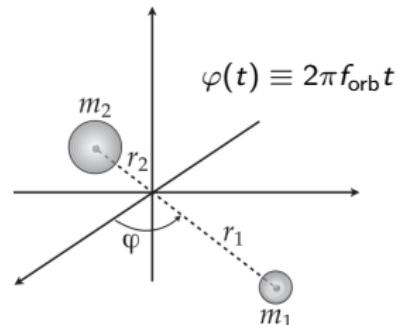


Bonus: model selection & glitch removal!

# Compact binary coalescences

## Two-body problem in GR

$$I_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \mu r_{12}^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ \sin 2\varphi & 1 - \cos 2\varphi \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\text{reduced mass} \quad \mu \equiv \frac{m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$h_{ij}^{\text{TT}} \equiv \frac{2G}{c^4 d_L} \ddot{l}_{ij} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} h_+(t) &= \frac{2GM\eta}{c^4 d_L} (\pi M f_{\text{GW}})^2 (1 + \cos^2 \iota) \cos 2\varphi(t) \\ h_\times(t) &= \frac{4GM\eta}{c^4 d_L} (\pi M f_{\text{GW}})^2 \cos \iota \sin 2\varphi(t) \end{cases}$$

$$M \equiv m_1 + m_2$$

$$\eta \equiv \frac{m_1 m_2}{M^2}$$

total mass

## **symmetric mass ratio**

Note:  $f_{\text{GW}} = 2f_{\text{orb}}$

## Two-body problem in GR

$$L_{\text{GW}} = \frac{1}{5} \frac{G}{c^5} \langle \ddot{\tilde{l}}_{ij} \ddot{\tilde{l}}^{ij} \rangle = \frac{32}{5} \frac{c^5}{G} \eta^2 \left( \frac{\pi G M f_{\text{GW}}}{c^3} \right)^{10/3}$$

Larmor formula

$$E = \frac{1}{2} \mu (\pi G M f_{\text{GW}})^{2/3} \quad L_{\text{GW}} = -\frac{dE}{dt}$$

Newtonian energy

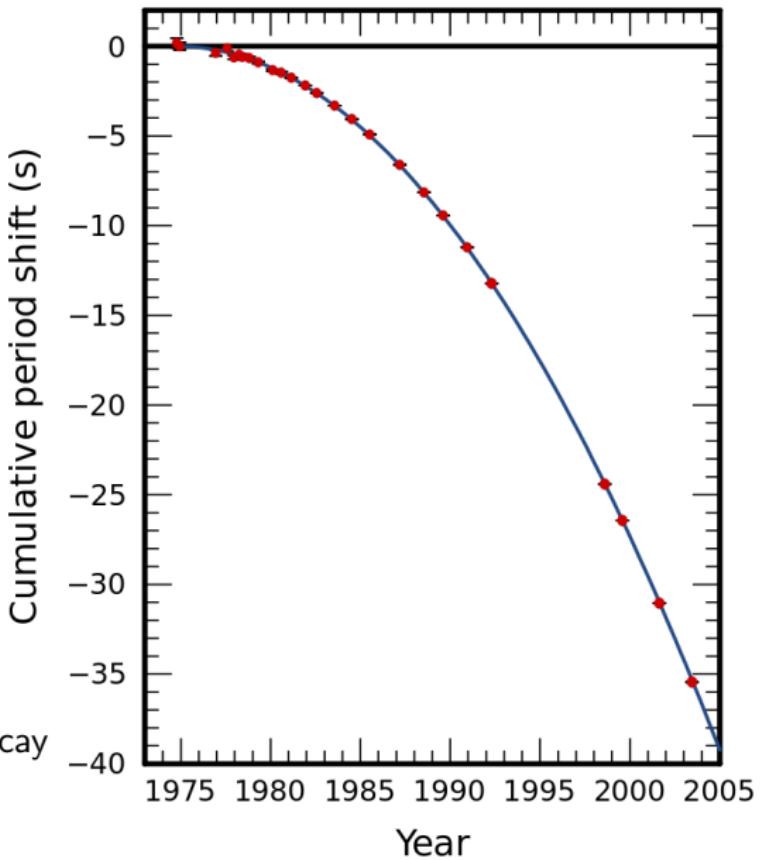
energy conservation

$$\Rightarrow \frac{df_{\text{GW}}}{dt} = \frac{96}{5} \pi^{8/3} \left( \frac{G \mathcal{M}_c}{c^3} \right)^{5/3} f_{\text{GW}}^{11/3}$$

$$\text{with chirp mass } \mathcal{M}_c \equiv \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}}$$

Leading order of the **post-Newtonian expansion**.

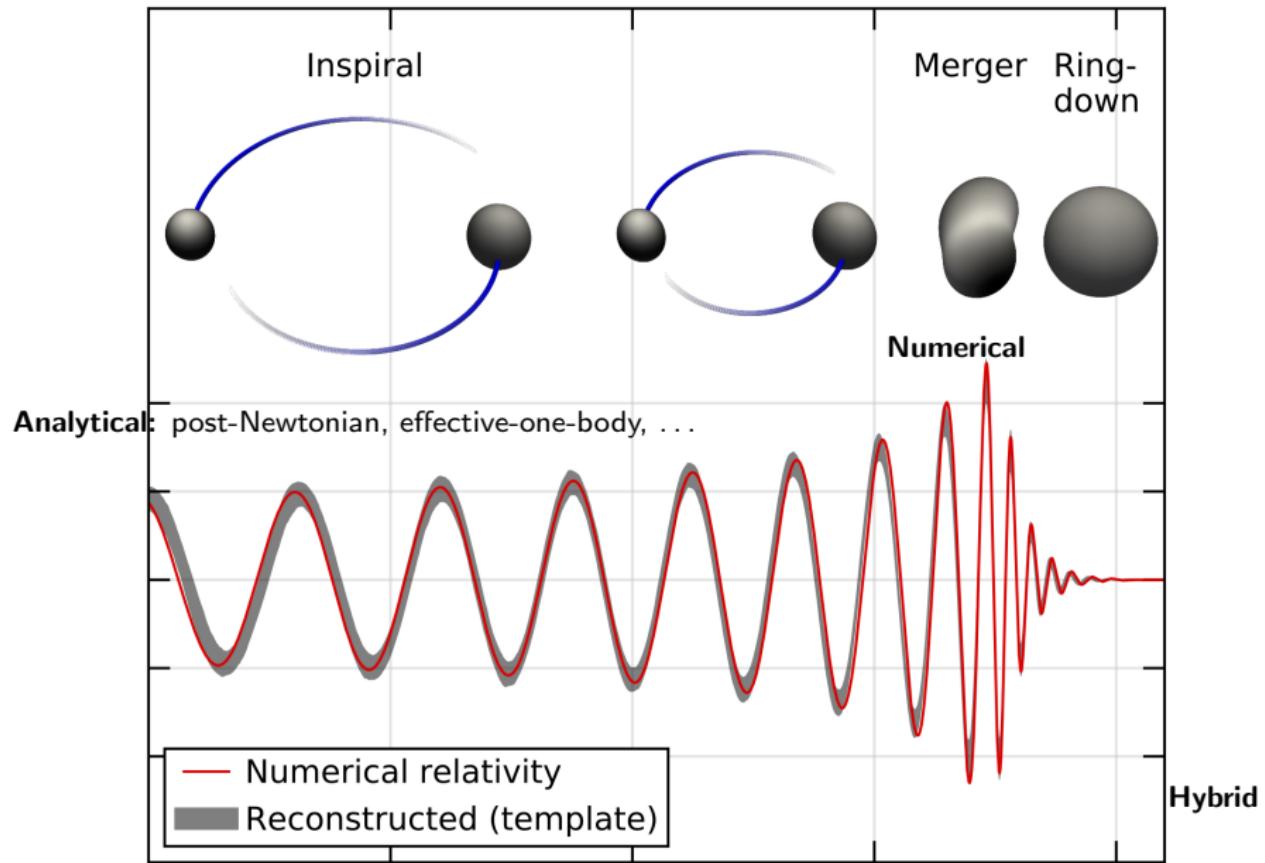
**PSR B1913+16** orbital decay  
Hulse-Taylor (1975)



## Post-Newtonian expansion

Expansion in powers of  $\left(\frac{v}{c}\right)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\text{gw}} = & \frac{32c^5}{5G}\nu^2x^5 \left\{ 1 + \left( -\frac{1247}{336} - \frac{35}{12}\nu \right) x + 4\pi x^{3/2} \right. \\ & + \left( -\frac{44711}{9072} + \frac{9271}{504}\nu + \frac{65}{18}\nu^2 \right) x^2 \\ & + \left( -\frac{8191}{672} - \frac{583}{24}\nu \right) \pi x^{5/2} \\ & + \left[ \frac{6643739519}{69854400} + \frac{16}{3}\pi^2 - \frac{1712}{105}C - \frac{856}{105}\log(16x) \right. \\ & + \left( -\frac{134543}{7776} + \frac{41}{48}\pi^2 \right)\nu - \frac{94403}{3024}\nu^2 - \frac{775}{324}\nu^3 \left. \right] x^3 \\ & \left. + \left( -\frac{16285}{504} + \frac{214745}{1728}\nu + \frac{193385}{3024}\nu^2 \right) \pi x^{7/2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{c^8}\right) \right\} \end{aligned} \quad (5.)$$



# Waveform approximants

Post-Newtonian

TaylorT, TaylorF

Hybrid, phenomenological

IMRPhenom, IMRPhenomP, IMRPhenomX

Effective one-body

SEOBNR

reduced-order-model

ROM

## Intrinsic parameters

- Component masses,  $m_{1,2}$
- Component dimensionless spin angular momenta,  $\vec{s}_{1,2}$   $\vec{s} \equiv \frac{\vec{J}}{m^2}$
- Tidal deformability parameters for neutron stars,  $\lambda_{1,2}$

NS in binaries deform in gravitational field of companion  
deformation depends on NS composition (equation-of-state)  
leaves imprint on GW signal (waveform)

- Any residual eccentricity? radiated away Peters & Matthews (1963)

## Two polarizations

Dominant (2, 2)-mode to leading order:

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- Distance,  $d_L$
- Inclination angle,  $\iota$
- Phase at coalescence,  $\phi_c$
- Time of coalescence,  $t_c$

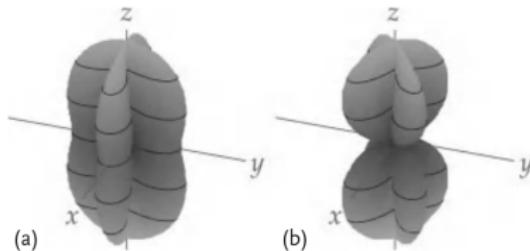
# Antenna beam pattern functions

- Two angles in the sky  $(\theta, \phi) \rightarrow (\alpha, \delta)$ , right ascension and declination
- Polarization angle,  $\psi$

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# CBC parameters

Intrinsic parameters:  $\{m_1, m_2, \vec{s}_1, \vec{s}_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots\}$

Extrinsic parameters:  $\{\alpha, \delta, d_L, \iota, \psi, \varphi_c, t_c\}$

$$F_{\text{detector}}^+(\theta, \phi, \psi) h_+(t - t_{\text{arr}}) + F_{\text{detector}}^\times(\theta, \phi, \psi) h_\times(t - t_{\text{arr}})$$

**masses** of the components

**spin** angular momenta

**tidal deformability** for neutron stars

**eccentricity**

**distance**  $d_L$

**sky position**  $\alpha, \delta$

**euler angles**  $\{\theta, \phi, \psi\} = \text{fn.}(\{\iota, \psi, \varphi_c\})$

**time** of arrival

# Bayesian parameter estimation

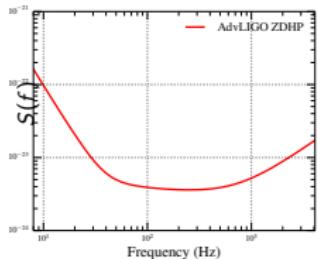
Obtain the **posterior** probability distribution on the parameter space given the data and a **prior** probability distribution.

$$\text{Posterior}(\vec{\Omega}|\text{data}, I) = \frac{\text{Prior}(\vec{\Omega}|I) \mathcal{L}(\text{data}|\vec{\Omega}, I)}{\text{Evidence}(\text{data}, I)}$$

$$\vec{\Omega} = \{\mathcal{M}, q, \vec{s}_1, \vec{s}_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \alpha, \sin \delta, d_L, \cos \iota, \psi, \varphi_c, t_c\}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\text{data}|\vec{\Omega}, I) = P(\text{data}|\text{signal}(\vec{\Omega}), I) \quad \text{data} = \text{signal}(\vec{\Omega}) + \text{noise}, n$$

$$= \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left\langle \text{data} - \text{signal}(\vec{\Omega}) | \text{data} - \text{signal}(\vec{\Omega}) \right\rangle \right)$$



$$\langle n|n \rangle \equiv \int df \frac{||n(f)||^2}{S^2(f)}$$

Gaussian noise

# Bayesian parameter inference algorithms

**Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)**

Metropolis-Hastings

Parallel tempering (MCMC)

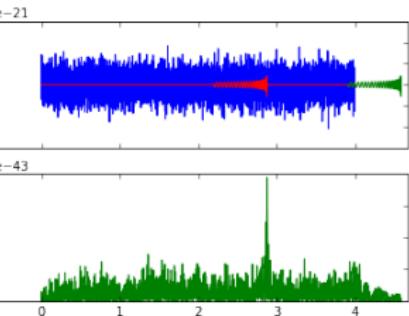
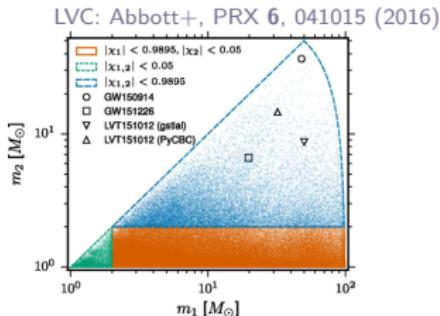
**Nested sampling**

1024 live points

# Data analysis workflow of CBCs

## Searches

generate (real-time) triggers



## Implications

fundamental physics, astrophysics, cosmology

## Parameter estimation

rigorous analysis of data around trigger

### Low latency

quick

BayesSTAR

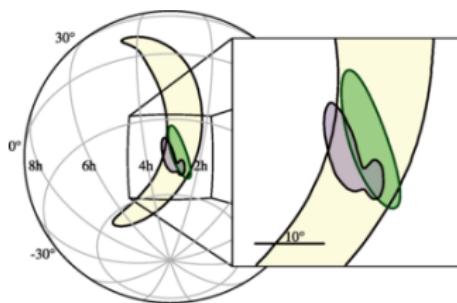
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### High latency

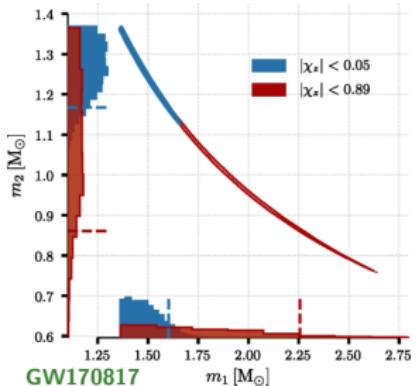
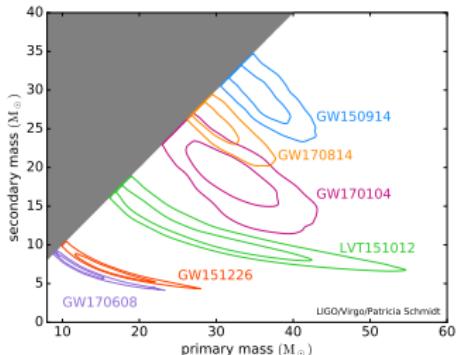
accurate

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# Parameter estimation results



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