

Low-latency EM-Bright source property inference from Gravitational-wave data

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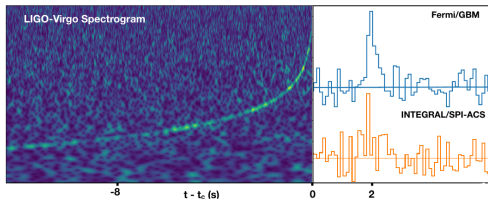
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GW discoveries are now routine.

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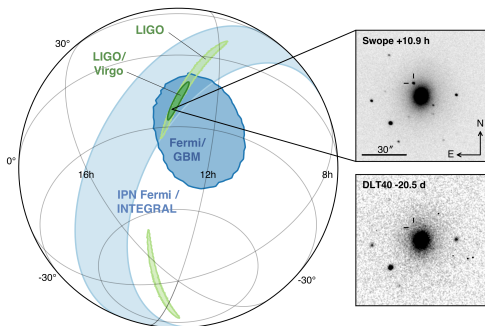


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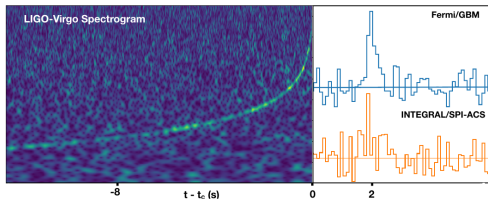
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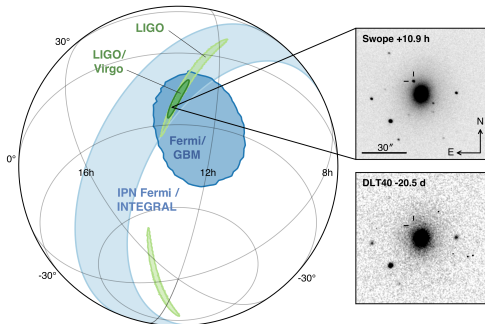


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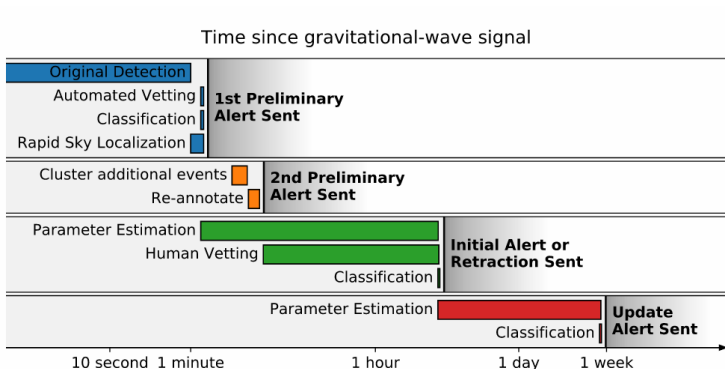
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Yet to arrive at routine EMGW era.

Alert timeline

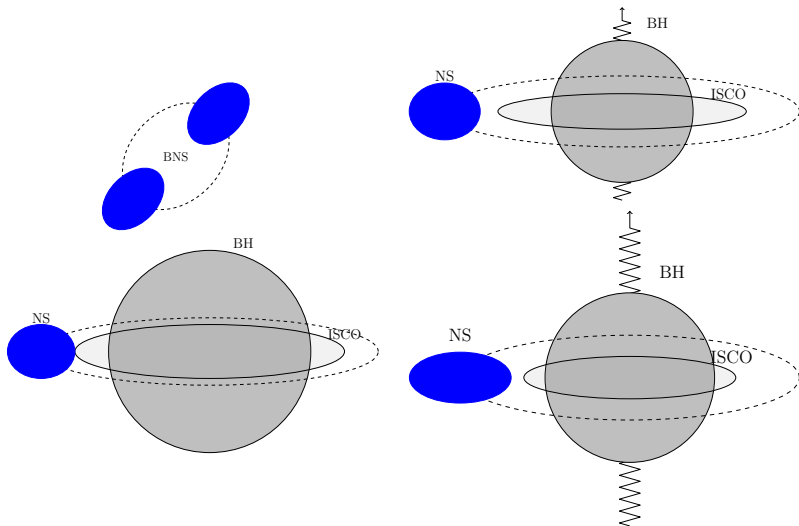
What happens after a GW discovery?



- 80 public alerts sent; 56 non-retracted
- Latency \sim 5 mins in O3; in O4 \sim 30 sec.

Which Mergers To Follow-up?

Those having at least a neutron star



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Data Products

Source Properties ²

- HasNS:
Is $m_2 \leq M_{NS}^{\max}$?
- HasRemnant:
Is there any remnant matter ?

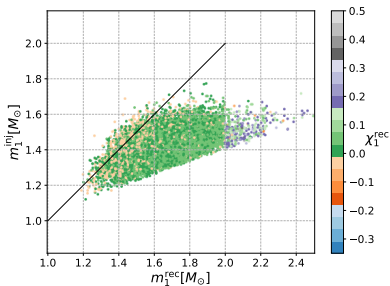
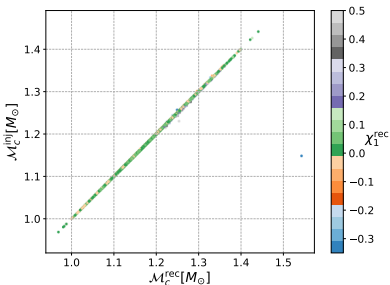
Needed in realtime

- Kilonova fades ~ 1 day.
- GW bayesian parameter estimation \sim hours – days.

²<https://emfollow.docs.ligo.org/userguide/analysis/inference.html#properties>

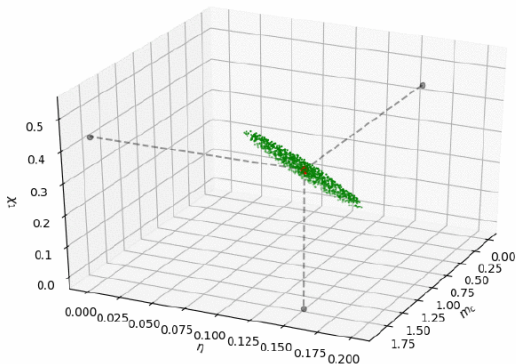
Inference From Online Searches

- GW template based analyses.
- Detect GW candidates \sim sub-minute latency.
- Maximize detection efficiency at fixed false alarm.
- *Accurate parameter recovery* is left to bayesian parameter inference



Mitigating Detection Uncertainty

Fisher ambiguity ellipsoid used previously



$$m_c = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}}$$
$$\eta = \frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2}$$
$$\chi_1 = \frac{a_1}{m_1}$$

Statistical uncertainties ✓
Systematic uncertainties ✗

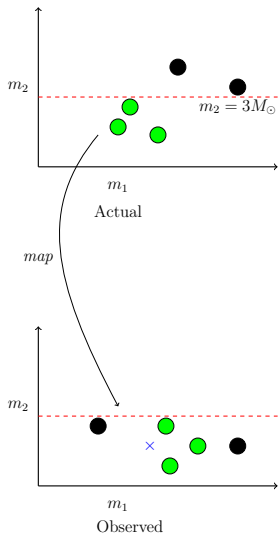
Rethink as Binary classification

Train using fake signals

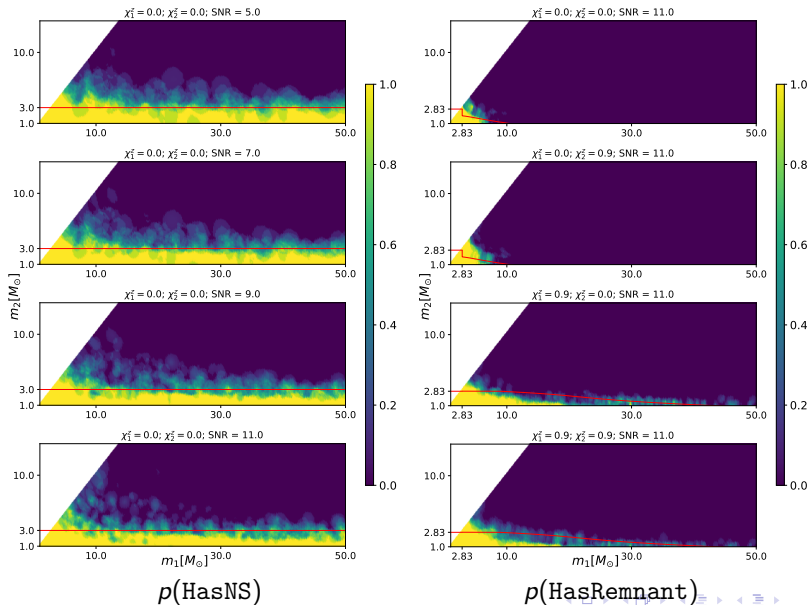
- Binary label from fake signals.
- Training on recovered parameters.

$$\beta = \left\{ \underbrace{m_1, m_2}_{\text{masses}}, \underbrace{\chi_1^z, \chi_2^z}_{\text{spins}}, \underbrace{\rho}_{\text{SNR}} \right\}.$$

- New trigger \times ? Predict $p(\bullet / \bullet)$.
- Use Nearest Neighbor algorithm.

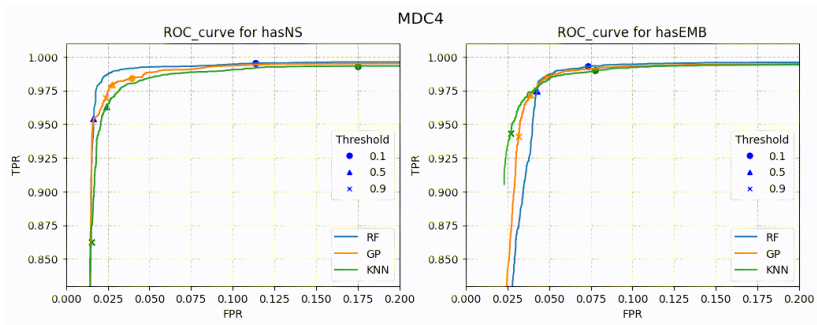


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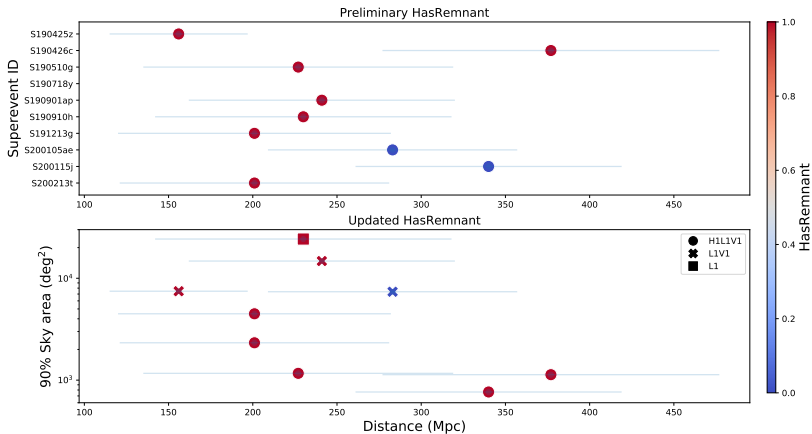
Predictions

Performance on recent MDC



Conclusion

- Decision trees, random forest, nearest-neighbor classification work well for this problem.
- In this case captures systematics across GW modeled search pipelines.
- We marginalize over the NS equation of state uncertainly
- Easy to train several classifiers per equation of state, reweight results based on previous work on model selection.



Superevent	HasNS	HasRemnant	HasNS*	HasRemnant*
S190425z	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
S200105ae	1.00	0.12	0.98	0.00
S200115j	1.00	0.09	1.00	1.00

Starred values from bayesian parameter est. reported in Update Notices.

Extra Slides

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S190910h	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
S190901ap	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
S190718y	1.00	1.00	—	—
S190510g	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
S190426c	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
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³Confirmed BNS event (Abbott et al., 2020)

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