

Neutrinos and gravitational waves

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Why are we interested in this?

Gravitational waves

Movement of matter

Neutrinos

Interaction of matter
(inside object or with environment)

Complementary information

Power of multi-messenger astronomy: GW170817

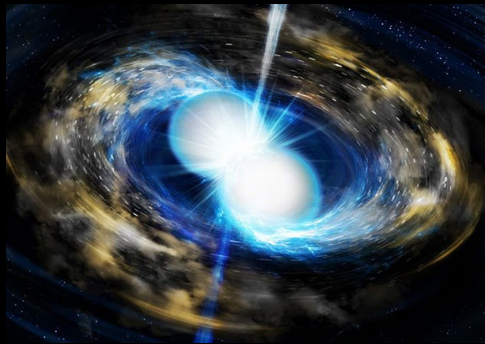
But... no neutrinos seen

Advantage over EM

Escape environment

Sources of gravitational waves + neutrinos

Binary neutron star
(+NSBH)



Accretion of matter onto final black hole
Resulting outflow leads to neutrino production

Binary black holes



Supernovae



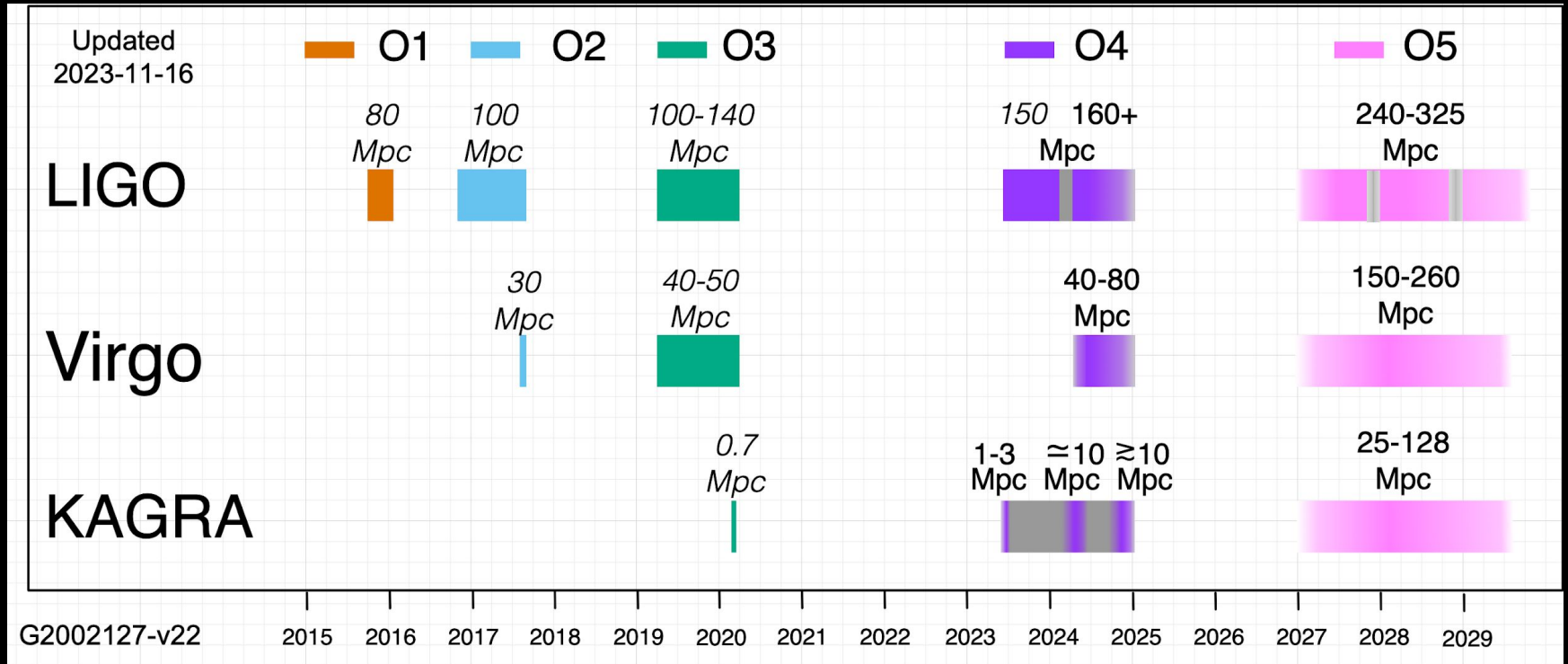
Electron capture during collapse

Other: neutrino emission associated to supermassive black hole inspiral De Bruijn et al. [2006.11288]

GW-triggered neutrino searches

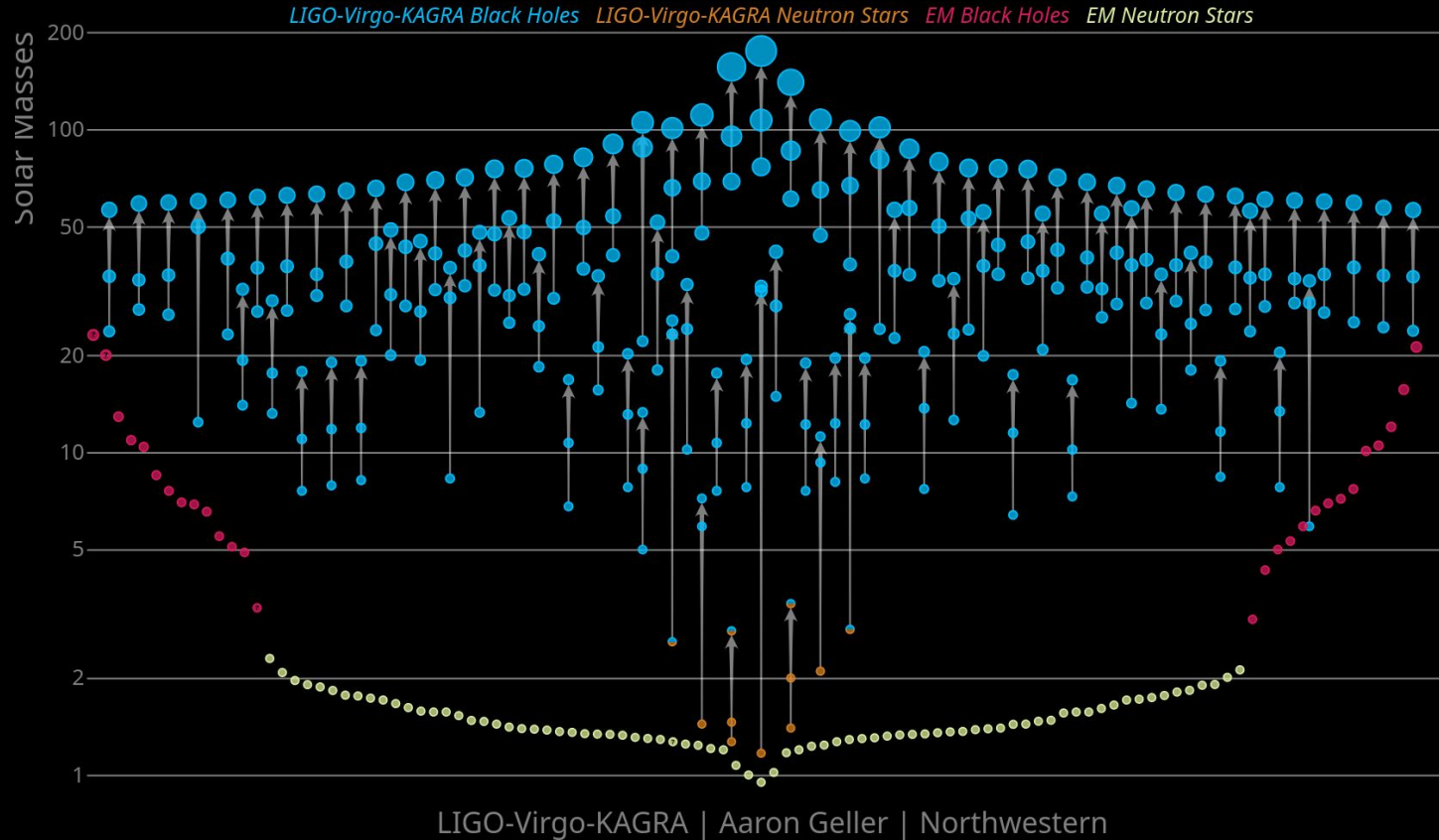
Mostly...
At this time...

GW observing runs



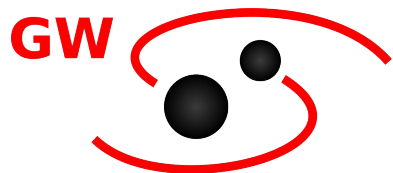
<https://observing.docs.ligo.org/plan/>

Masses in the Stellar Graveyard

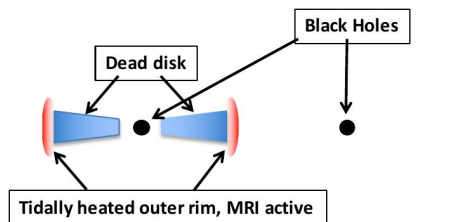


How to get non-GW emission from BBH mergers?

Isolated binaries

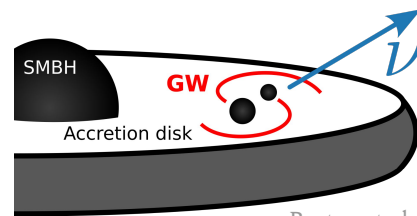


Dead disk



Perna et al. [1602.05140]

Binaries in AGN accretion disks



Bartos et al. [1602.03831]
McKernan et al. [1907.03746]
Kimura et al. [2103.02461]
Tagawa et al. [2303.02172]
...

✗ No emission

✓ Remnant disk reactivated

- ✓ Many (heavy) black holes
- ✓ Frequent mergers
- ✓ Gas-rich environment

Main take-away:

- *Steal as much as you can from GRB models*
- No clear singular model prediction

Quantifying limits on neutrino flux

Limits from individual events

$$E_{\nu}^{\text{iso}}$$

Note: beaming effects complicate limits

Sometimes re-expressed in terms of

$$f_{\nu}^E = \frac{E_{\nu}^{\text{iso}}}{E_{\text{GW}}} \quad \text{or} \quad f_{\nu}^M = \frac{E_{\nu}^{\text{iso}}}{M_{\text{tot}}}$$

Population/stacking limits

assuming all mergers have same E_{ν}^{iso} , f_{ν}^E , or f_{ν}^M

Limits on neutrino flux

Motivation for f_ν^E or f_ν^M ?

Large variation of BBH masses = need to assume *some* scaling

Physical models have $f_\nu^E, f_\nu^M < 1$

If universal: strong limits from diffuse flux $f_\nu^E < 10^{-5}$

Compared to typical per-event limit from IceCube of $f_\nu^E \sim 10^{-2}$

Conclusion: significant individual detection = exceptional event

De Vries et al. [1612.02648]

Neutrino search methods

→ *Cut-and-count*

Number of ν from GW direction

→ *Unbinned maximum likelihood + spatial prior*

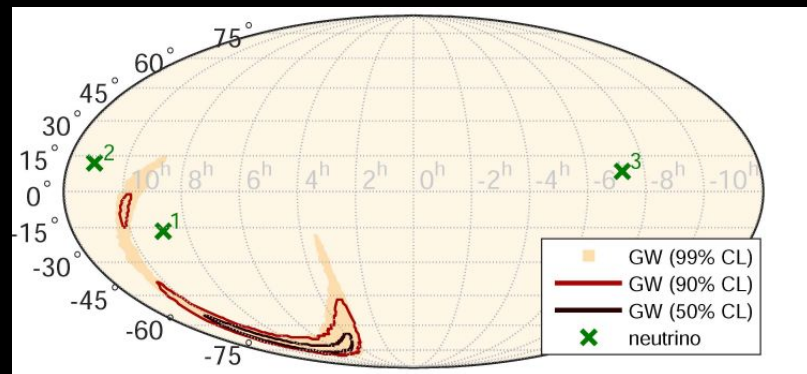
$$TS = \max 2 \ln \left(\frac{\mathcal{L}_{S+B,\nu}(\vec{x}; n_s)}{\mathcal{L}_{B,\nu}(\vec{x}; n_s=0)} \times p_{\text{GW}}(\vec{x}) \right)$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{S+B,\nu}(\vec{x}; n_s) = \frac{e^{-(n_s+n_b)} (n_s+n_b)^{N_\nu}}{N_\nu!} \prod_{i=1}^{N_\nu} \frac{n_s \mathcal{S}(\vec{x}; \vec{x}_{\nu_i}) + n_b \mathcal{B}(\vec{x})}{n_s + n_b}$$

→ *LLAMA pipeline with Bayesian odds ratio*

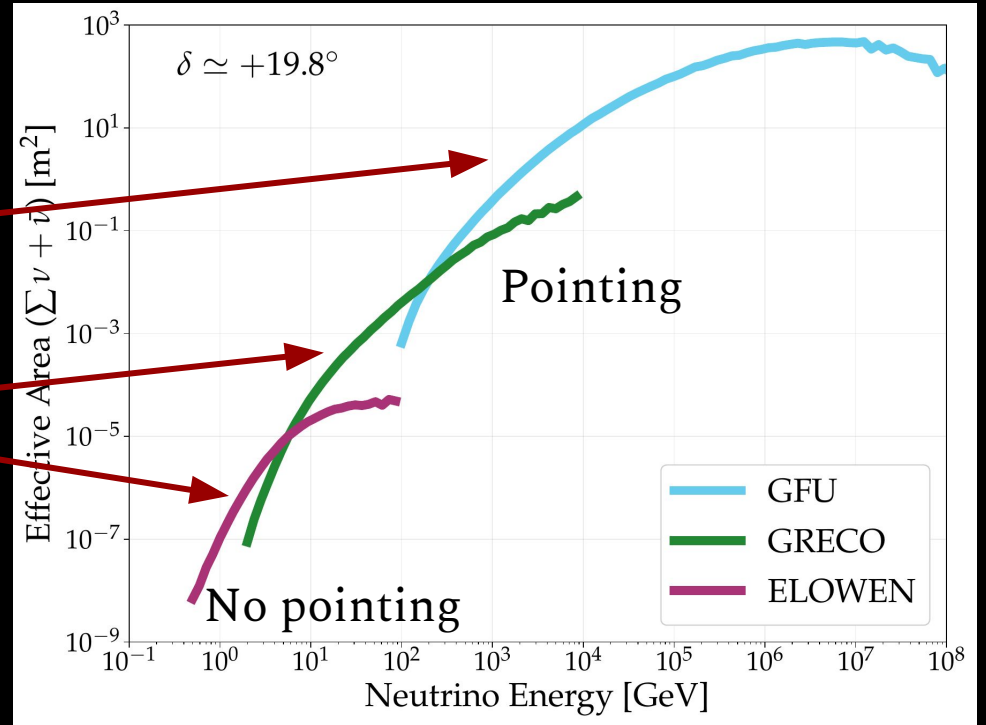
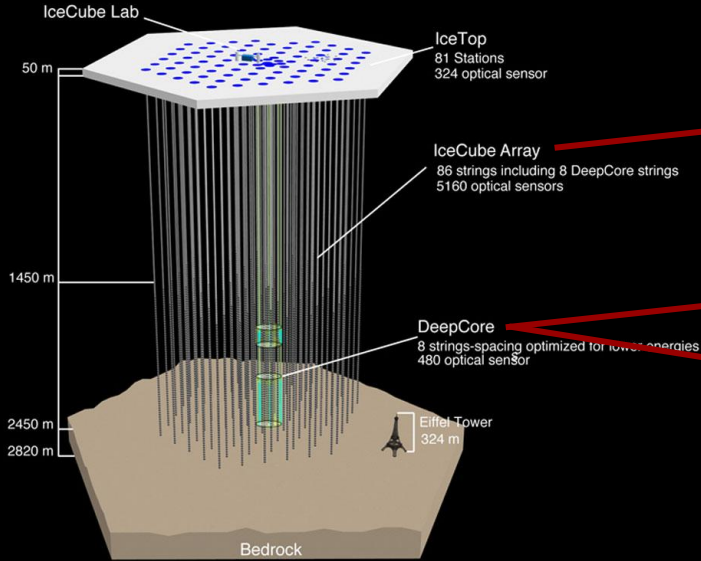
Considering all combinations of signal/background hypotheses

GW150914 skymap



LIGO and Virgo Collab. [1602.03837]
The IceCube Collab. [1602.05411]

IceCube searches



The IceCube Collab. [2302.05459]

IceCube GWTC-3 follow-up

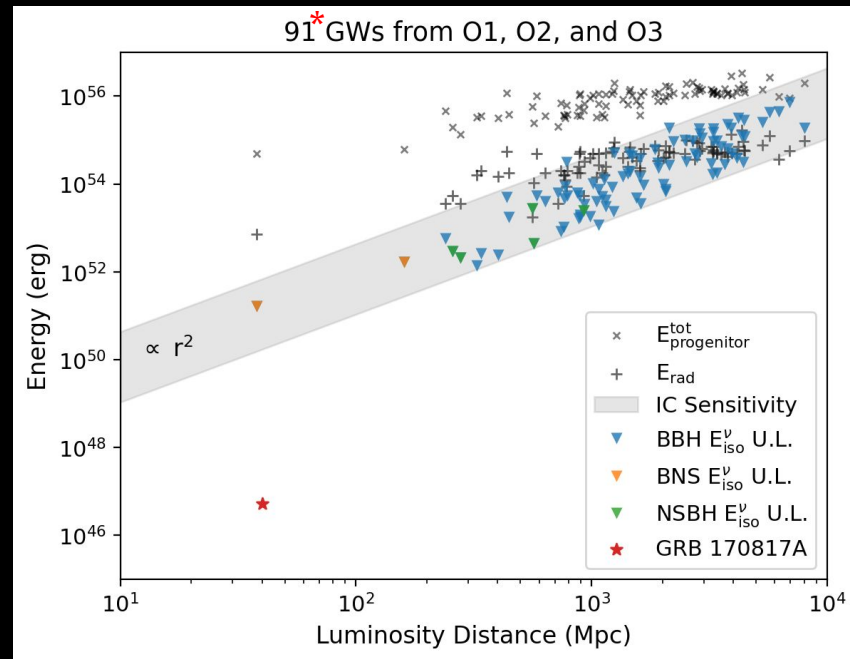
GFU

- Unbinned maximum likelihood
- LLAMA

Online + offline

Time windows:

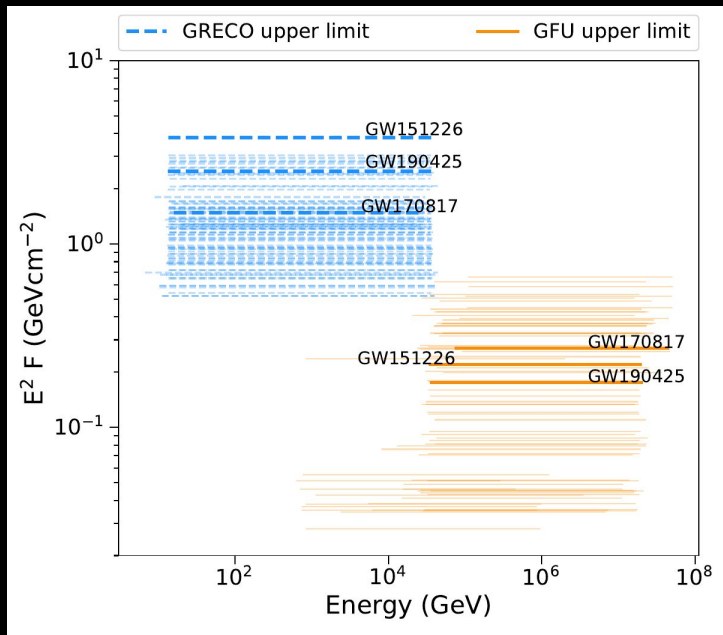
- 1000 s
- 2 weeks if neutron star
- Custom for GW190521 with ZTF association



The IceCube Collab. [2208.09532]

* 90 confident events from GWTC-3 + GW200105_162426 a NSBH candidate with $p_{\text{astro}} < 0.5$

IceCube GWTC-3 follow-up



GRECO

Unbinned maximum likelihood

The IceCube Collab. [2303.15970]

Also search for associations with sub-threshold gw events

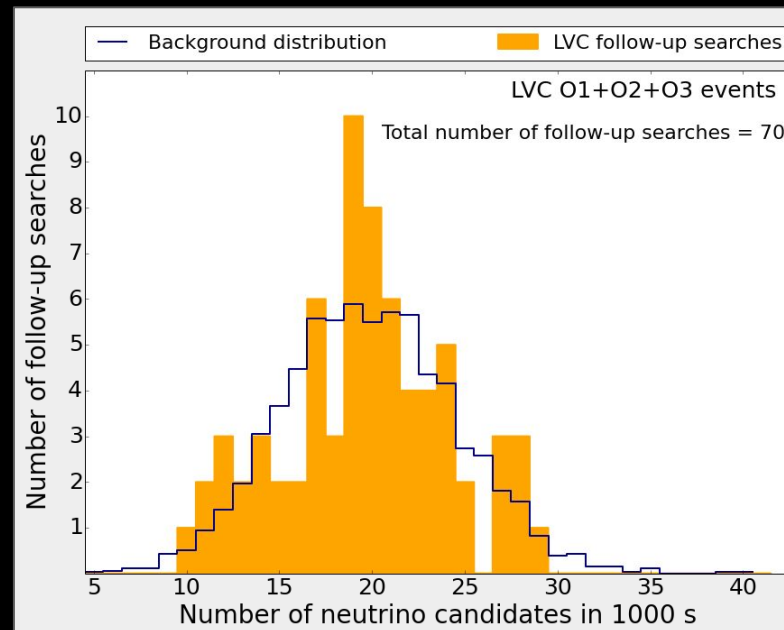
The IceCube Collab. [2308.06102]

IceCube GWTC-3 follow-up

ELOWEN

No pointing so Poisson counting analysis

0.5-5 GeV energy range probes different emission regime

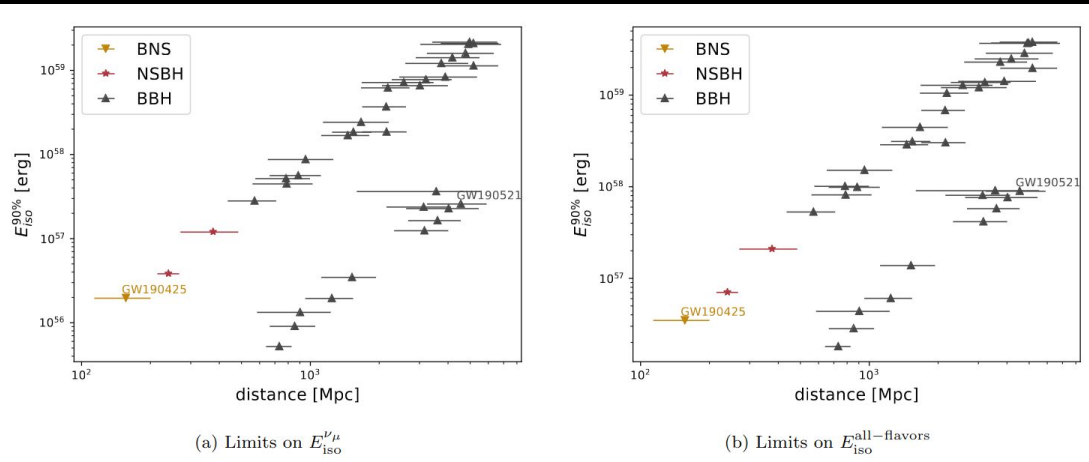


The IceCube Collab. [2105.13160]

Super-Kamiokande O3a

Low-energy analysis

- 7-100 MeV
- Inverse beta-decay (ν_e) and elastic scattering (all ν)
- Poisson counts



High-energy analysis

- 0.1-1e5 GeV
- ν_e and ν_μ
- Spatial likelihood x time likelihood

Super-Kamiokande Collab. [2104.09196]

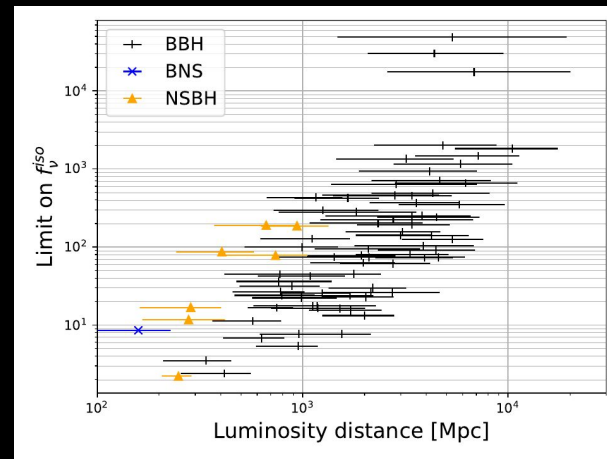
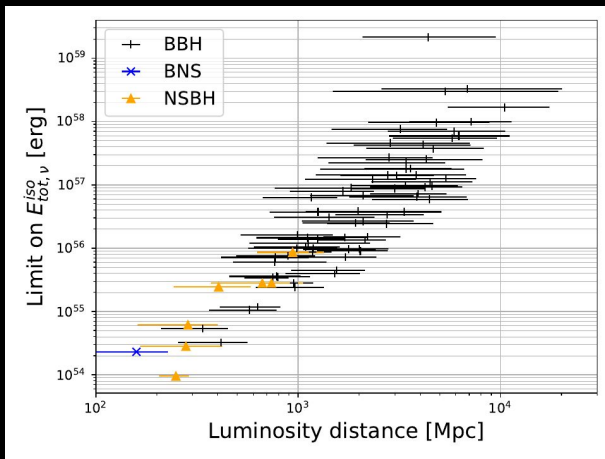
ANTARES O3

Cut-and-count analysis

- Tracks and showers
- From 90% GW skymap + buffer angle

Also stacking analysis $f_{\nu}^E < 0.15$

ANTARES Collab. [2302.07723]



Partial detectors: ORCA4 and ORCA6

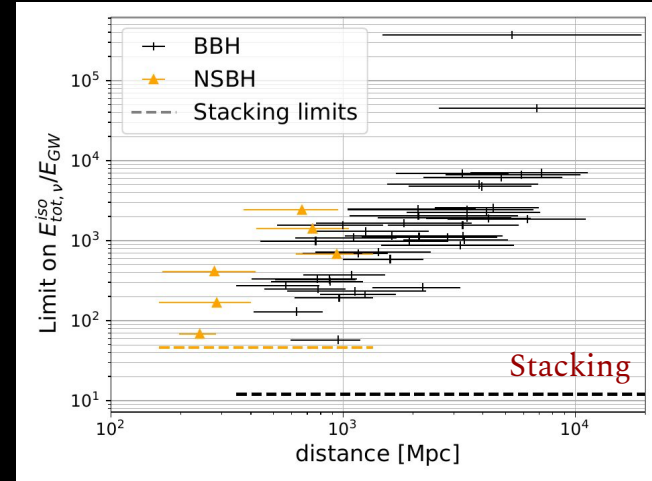
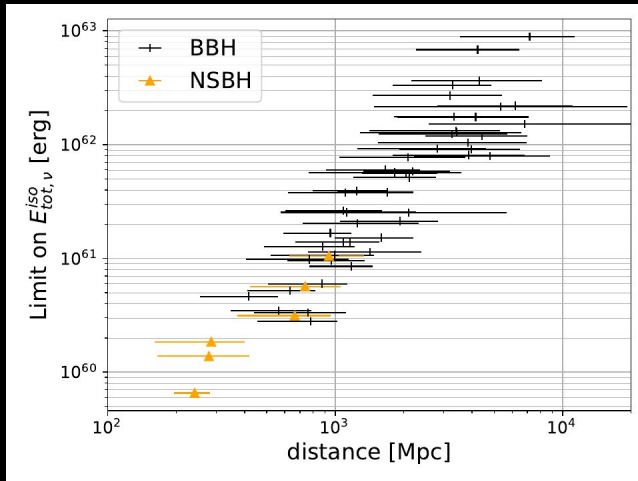
KM3Net Collab. [2311.03804]

Low-energy search

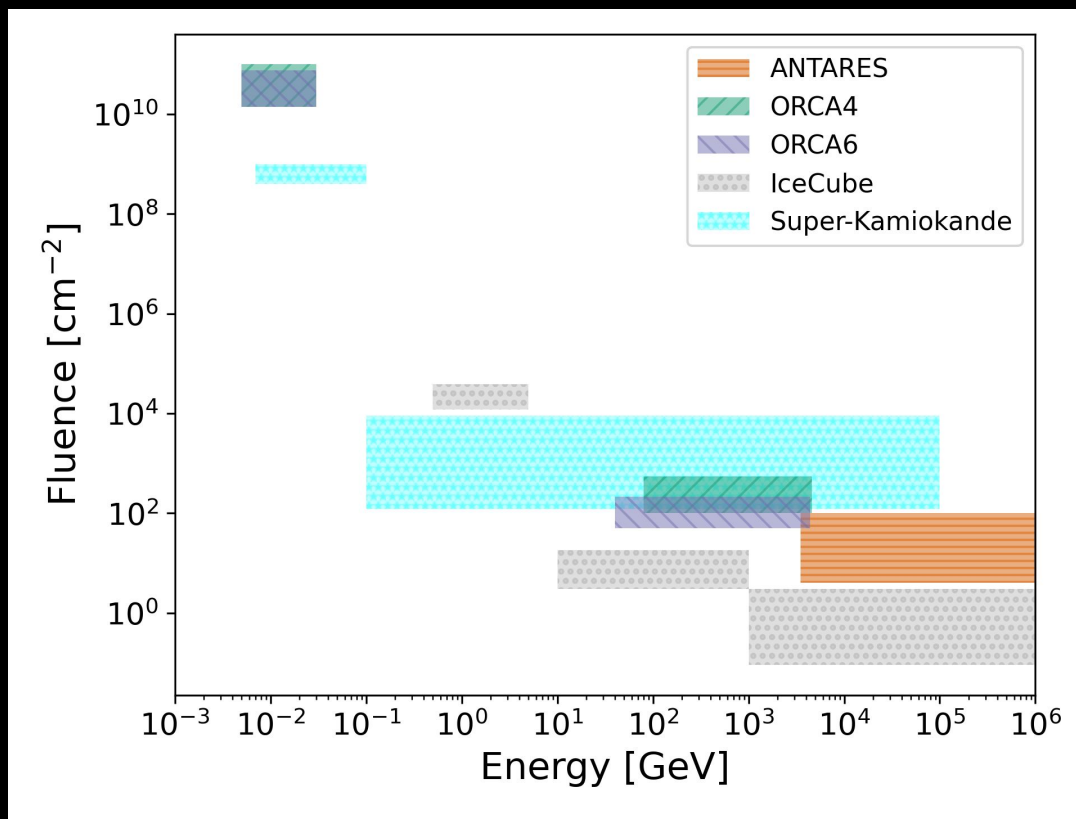
- MeV neutrinos
- Inverse beta-decay
- Global rate in 2s time window

High-energy search

- Upgoing tracks from GW skymap + buffer
- 1000 s time window
- Cut-and-count



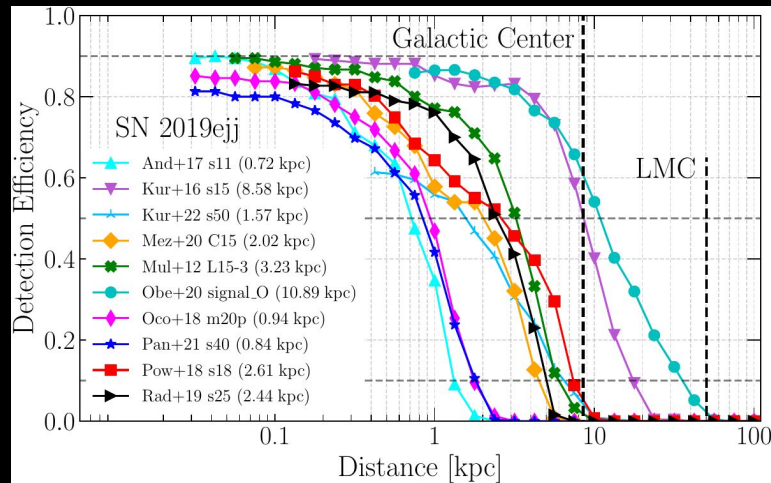
Summary of searches



KM3Net Collab. [2311.03804]

GW from supernovae

Both GW and neutrino observatories perform SN searches



Supernova	Type	Host Galaxy	Distance [Mpc]	t_1 [UTC]	t_2 [UTC]	Δt [days]	OSW Method	T_{coinc} [days]
SN 2019ehk	I Ib	NGC 4321	16.1	2019 Apr 23.10	2019 Apr 24.50	1.40	2	0.41 (29%)
SN 2019ejj	II	ESO 430-G20	15.7	2019 Apr 23.28	2019 Apr 30.86	7.58	3	1.25 (16%)
SN 2019fen	II	ESO 430-G20	15.7	2019 May 03.02	2019 May 07.56	4.54	3	2.51 (55%)
SN 2019hsw	II	NGC 2805	28.2	2019 Jun 05.14	2019 Jun 13.14	8.00	1	5.08 (64%)
SN 2020oi	Ic	NGC 4321	16.1	2020 Jan 02.48	2020 Jan 06.18	3.70	2	2.56 (69%)
SN 2020cxd	IIP	NGC 6395	20.9	2020 Feb 16.53	2020 Feb 22.53	6.00	1	4.58 (76%)
SN 2020dpw	IIP	NGC 6952	22.3	2020 Feb 21.08	2020 Feb 25.08	4.00	1	3.06 (77%)
SN 2020fqv	I Ib	NGC 4568	17.3	2020 Mar 22.00	2020 Mar 28.00	6.00	1	4.06 (68%)

Szczepańczyk et al. [2305.16146]

Back to BBH mergers in AGN

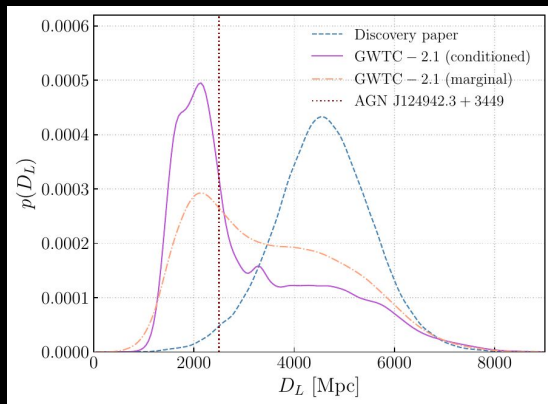
Localization alone can already probe this scenario

→ “Just” counting AGN

Bartos et al. [1701.02328]
Veronesi et al. [2203.05907]
Veronesi et al. [2306.09415]

GW190521 associated with ZTF19abnrhr from an AGN?

Graham et al. [2006.14122]



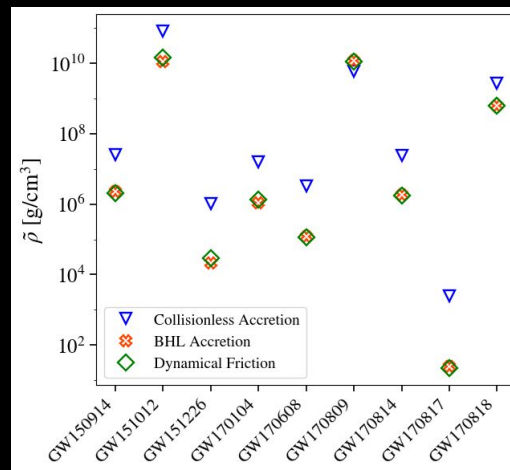
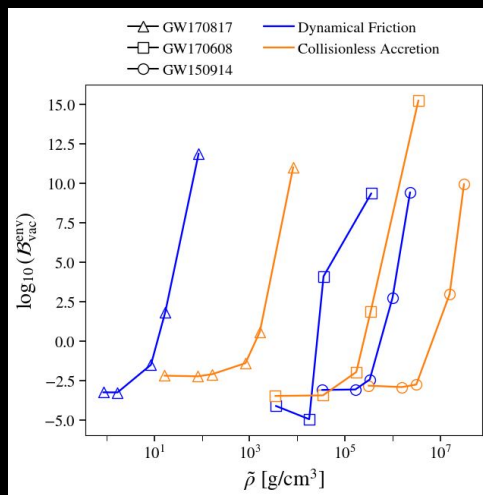
Updated localisation
compatible with this
hypothesis

Morton et al. [2310.16025]

Effects on waveform

Effect of gaseous disk environment on waveform

$$\rho \sim 10^{-8} - 0.1 (10^5 M_{\odot} / M_{\text{SMBH}})^{7/10} \text{g/cm}^3$$



Next generation detectors will be sensitive to this!

Santoro et al. [2309.05061]

Conclusion

- Many experimental searches for GW+neutrino coincidences
- Vanilla models don't predict such emission from BBH mergers
- *But* many models have appeared in recent years that do
- So far no detection
- Future GW observatories will be able to observe all BBH mergers in the universe, but neutrino telescopes sensitivity remains limited