

# A New Independent Analysis of LIGO Data: New Mergers in the O1/ O2 Runs

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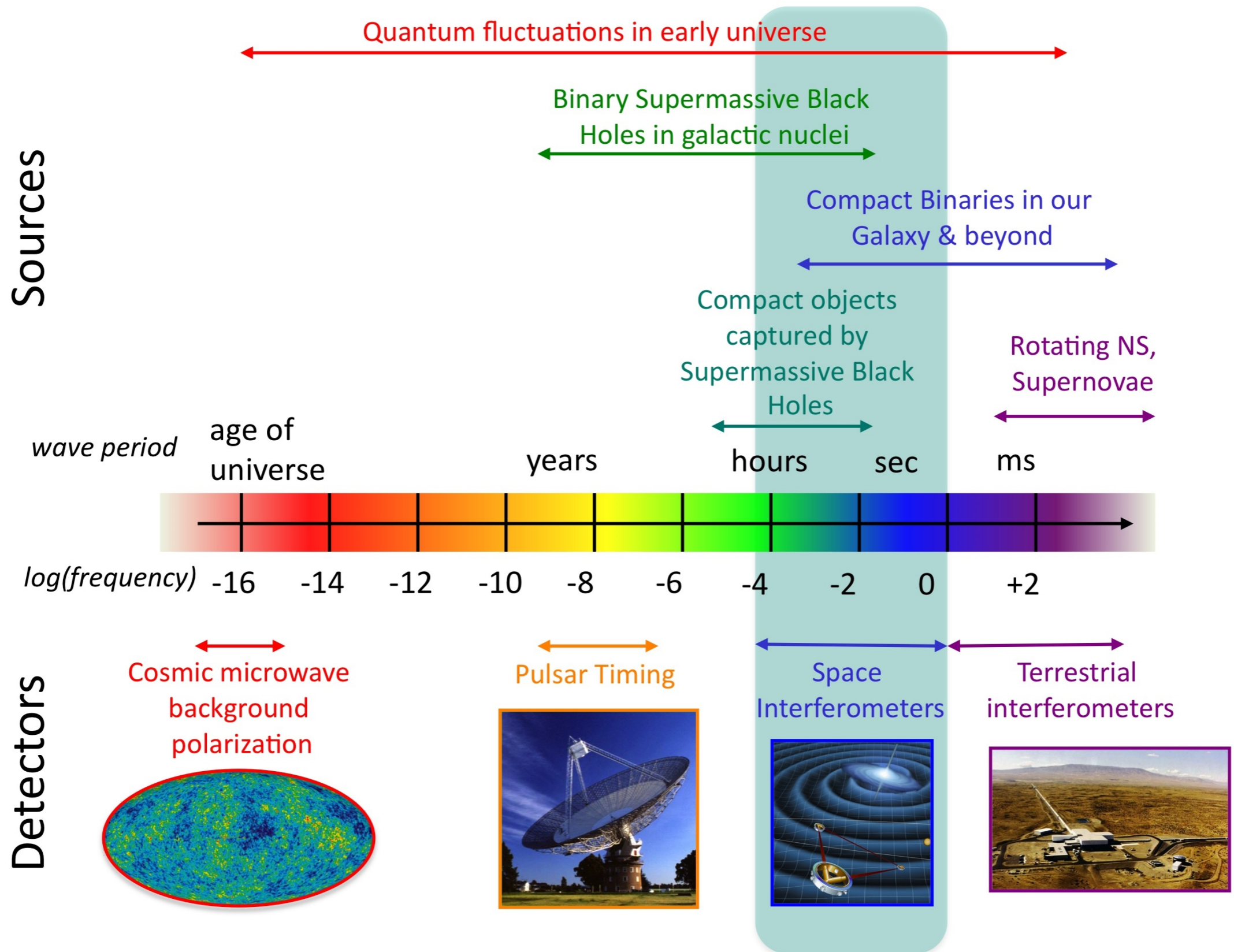
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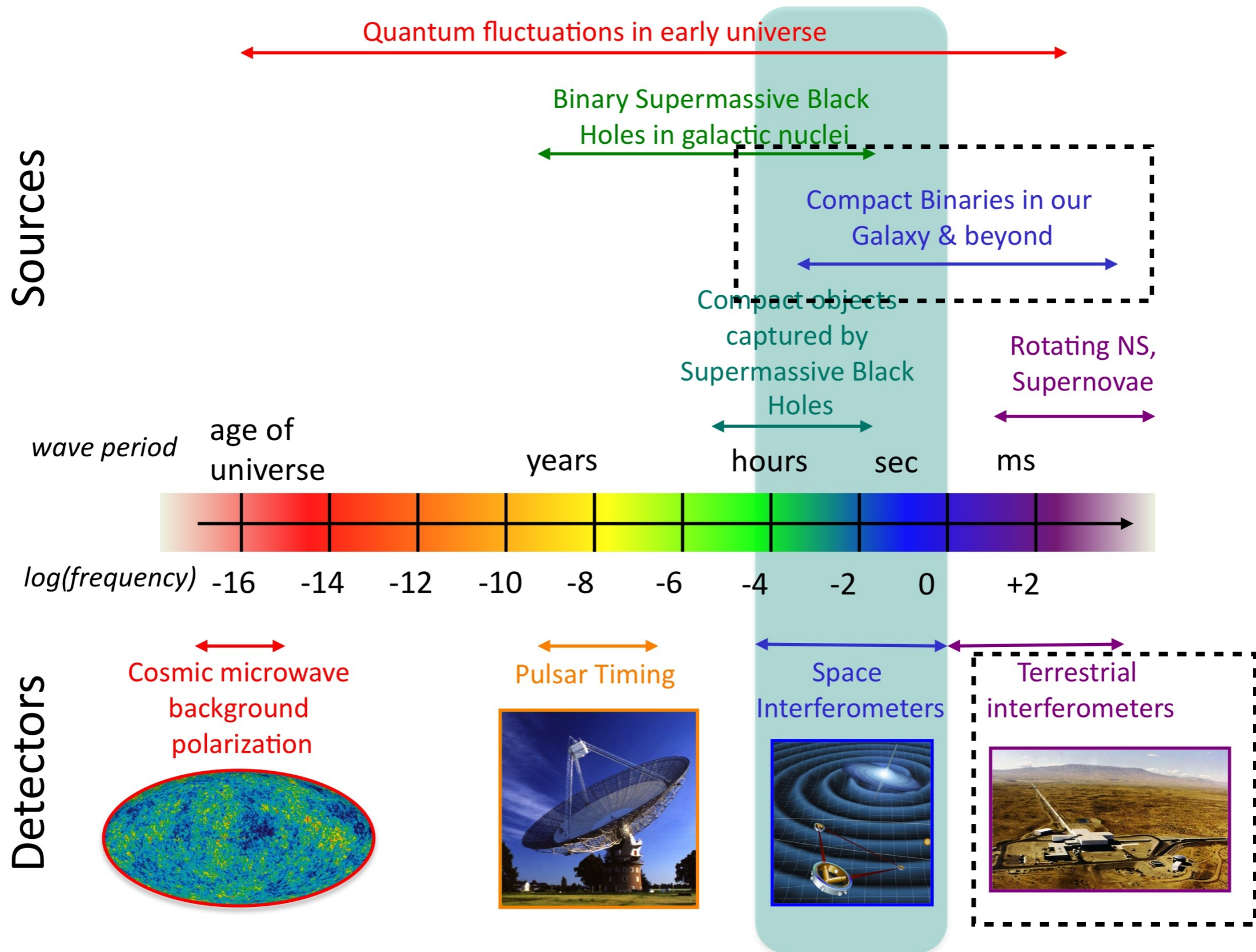
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- Introduction to compact binary mergers and searches in gravitational wave data
- Developments in search methods:
  - Construction of template banks
  - Correcting for non-stationary noise
  - Identifying and mitigating glitches
- Results: New mergers in O1 and O2 data

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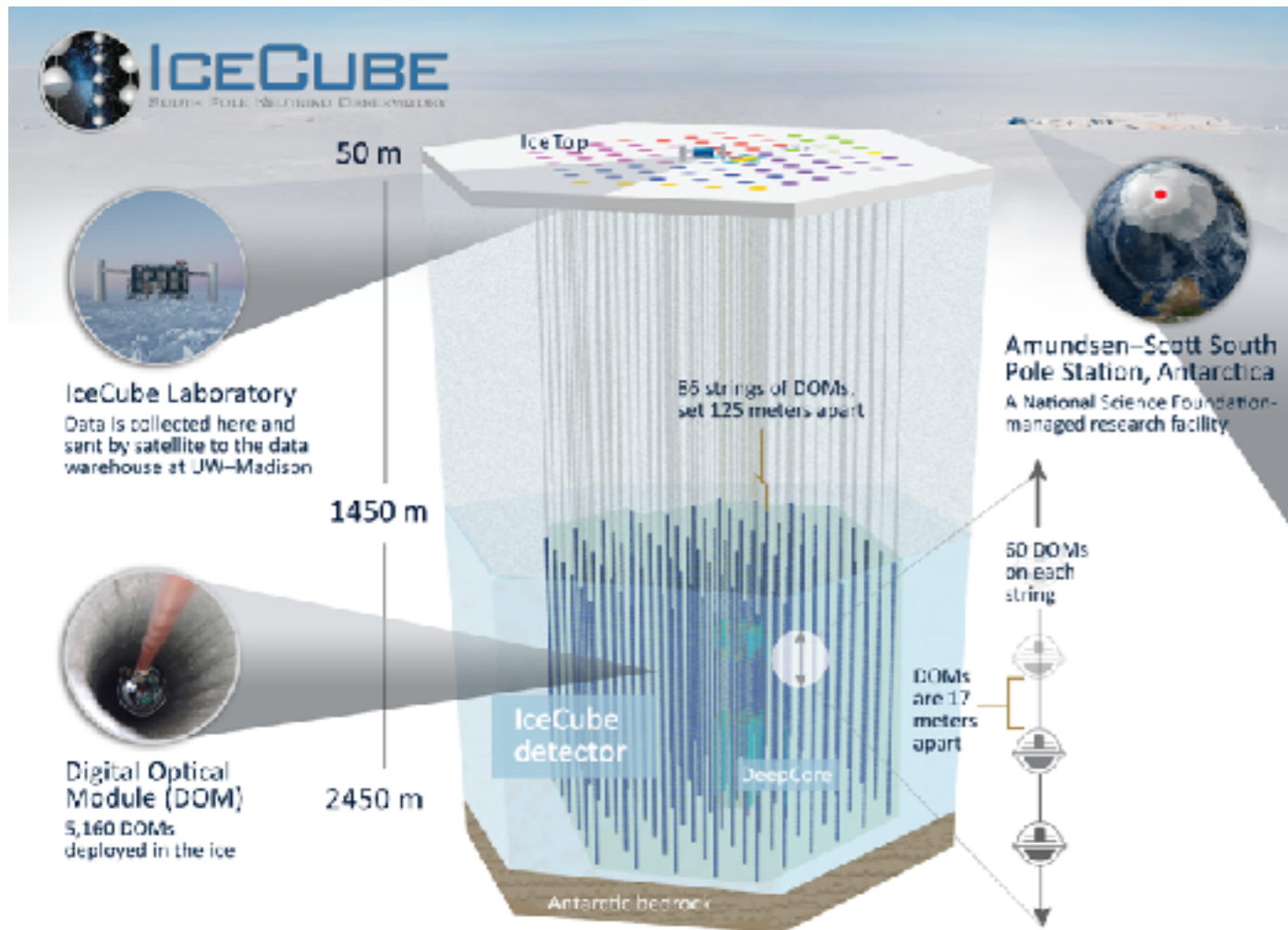


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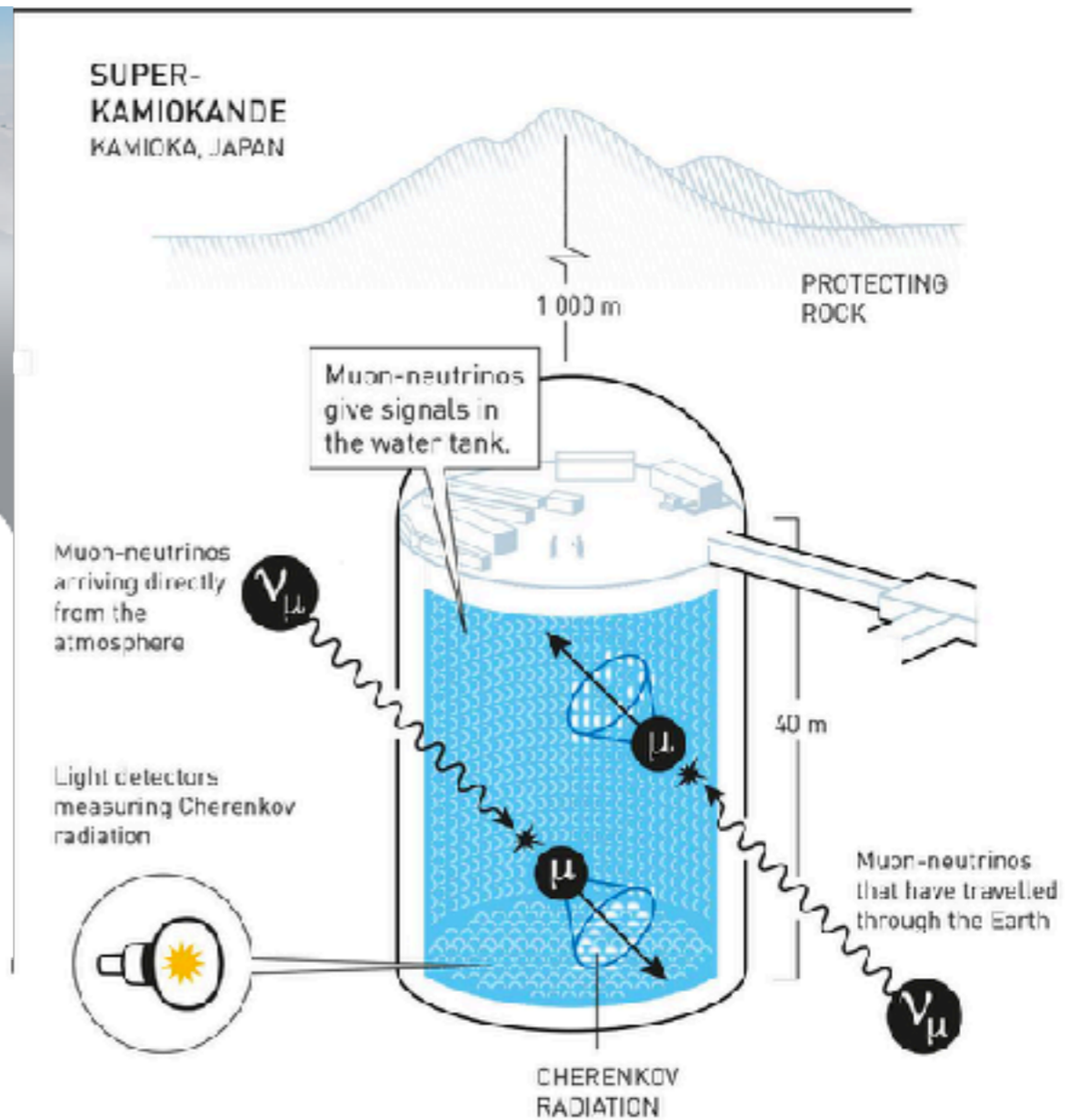


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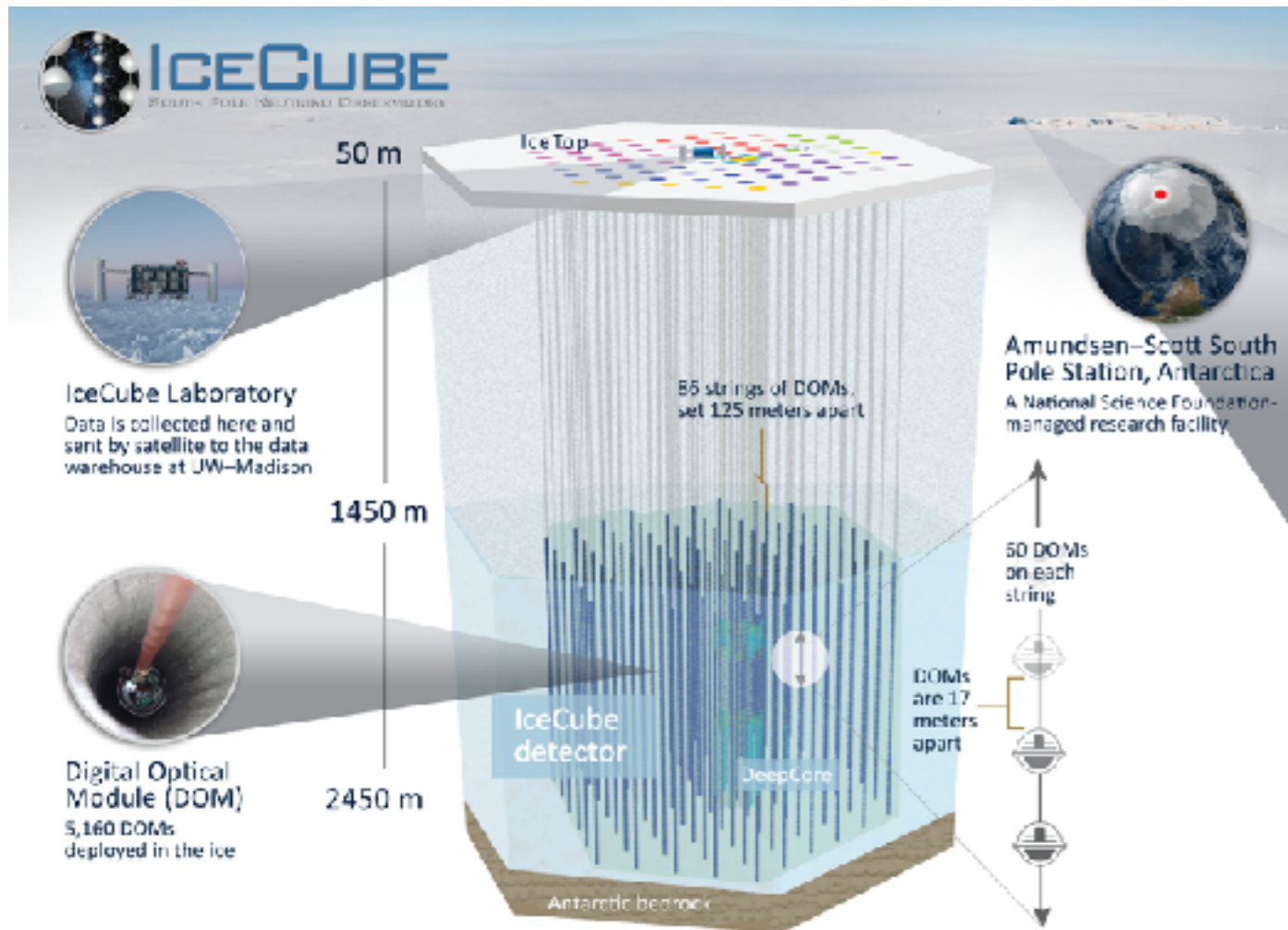


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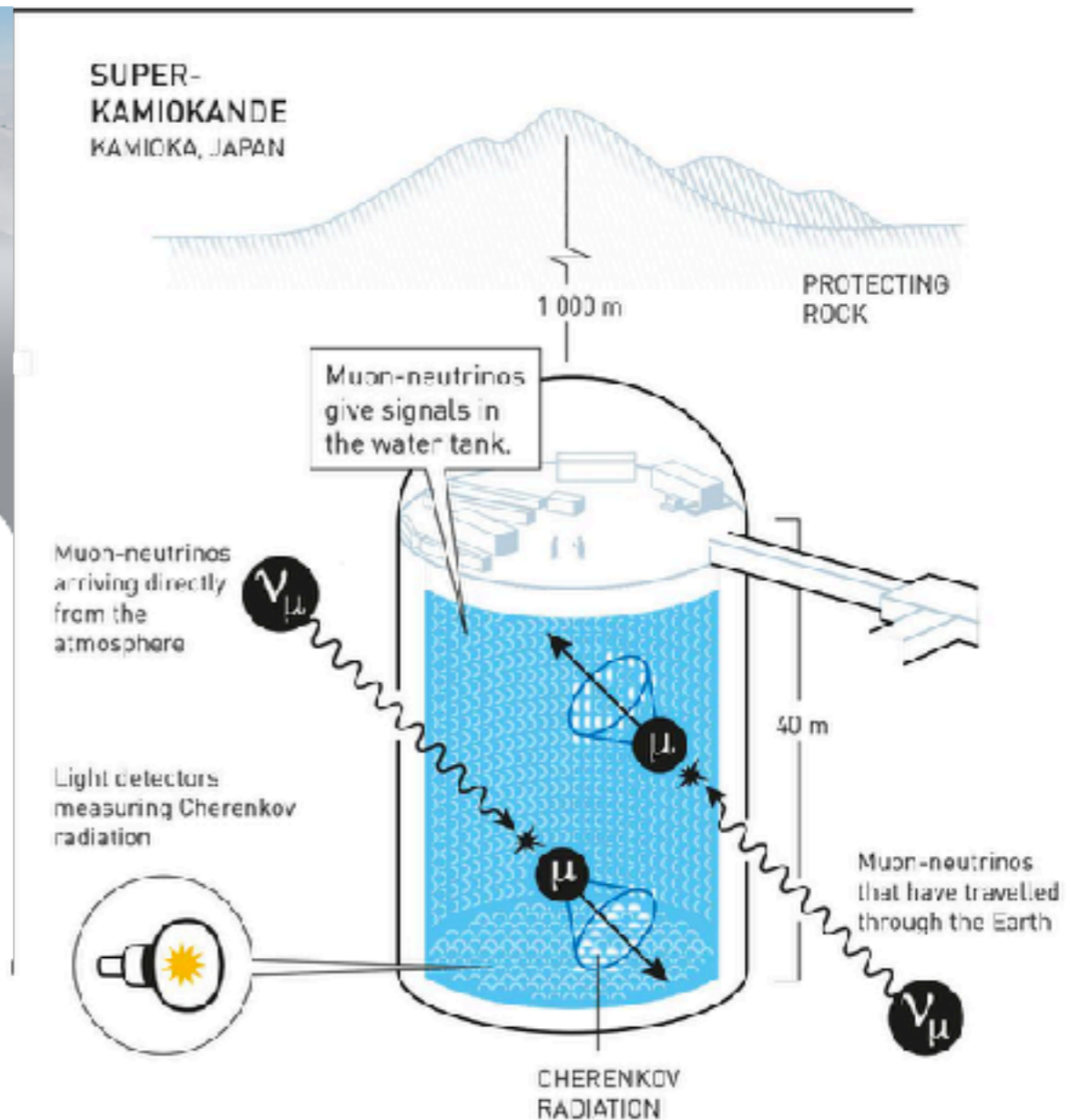


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## 1. Source model: parameter space:

$$S = \{h_{+/\times}(m_1, m_2, \dots, \theta, \phi, i, \dots) \mid (m_1, m_2, \dots) \in \mathcal{F}, (\theta, \phi, i, \dots) \in \mathcal{E}\}$$

## 2. Detector + test statistic/signal: $d(t)$ and matched-filter

## 3. Noise (background) model

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Cutoff at ISCO  $\omega_{\text{max}} \sim 100 \text{ Hz} \left( \frac{50 M_\odot}{M} \right)$

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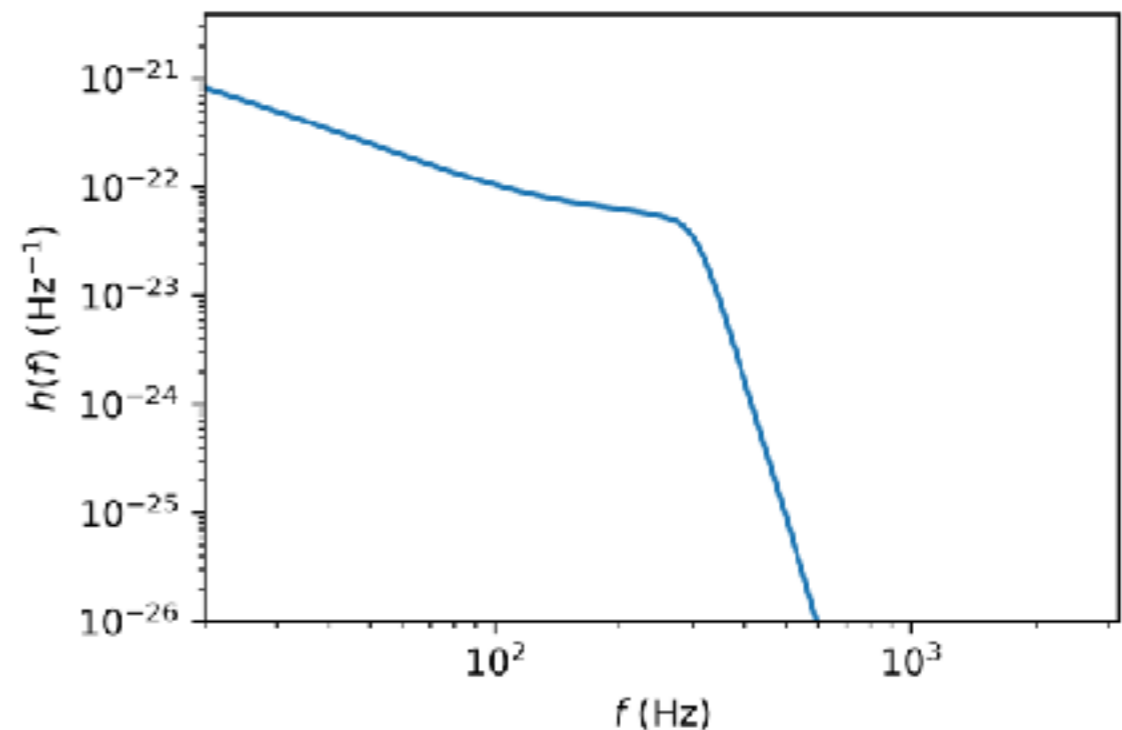
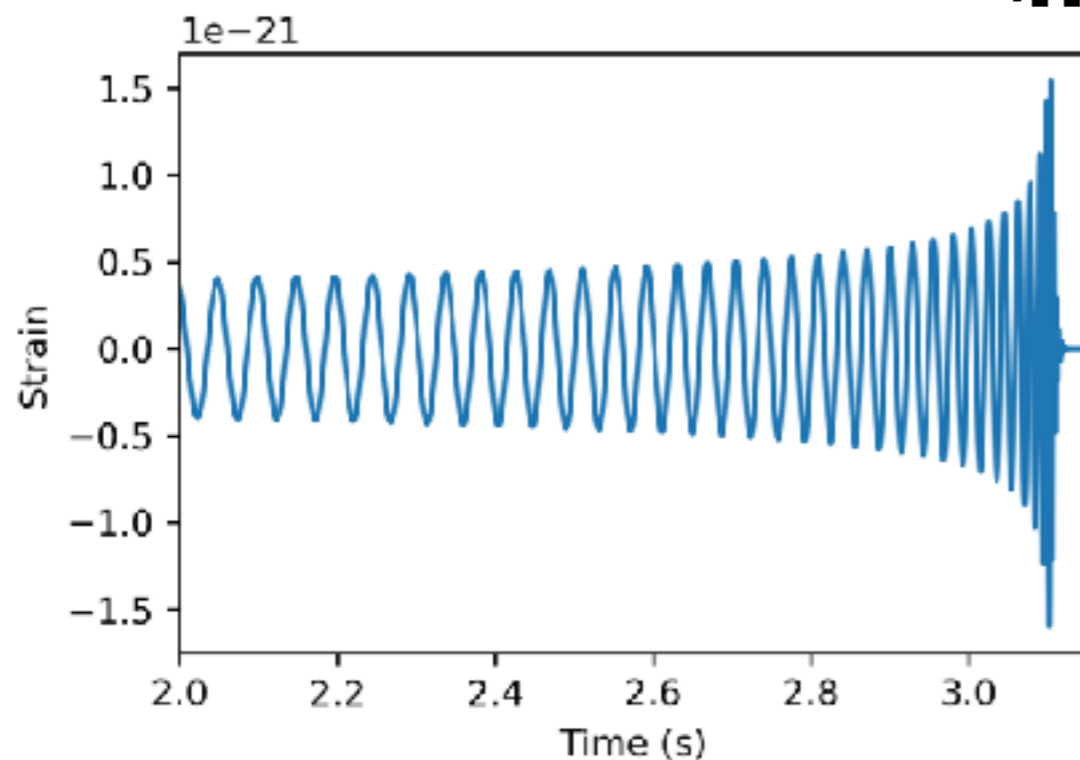
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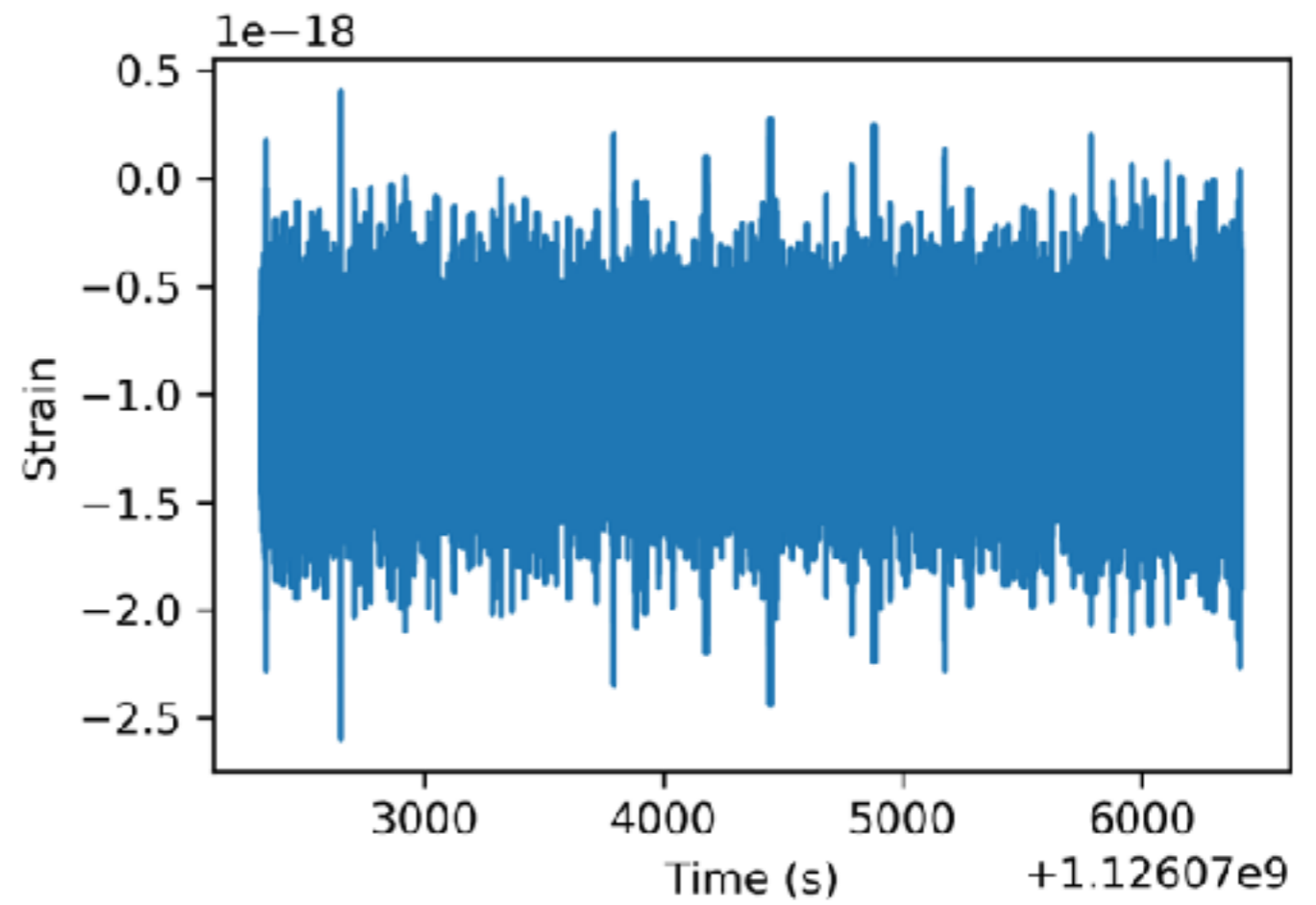
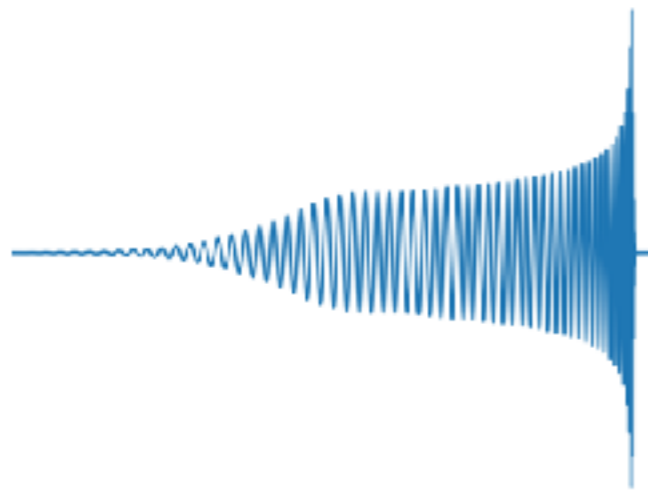
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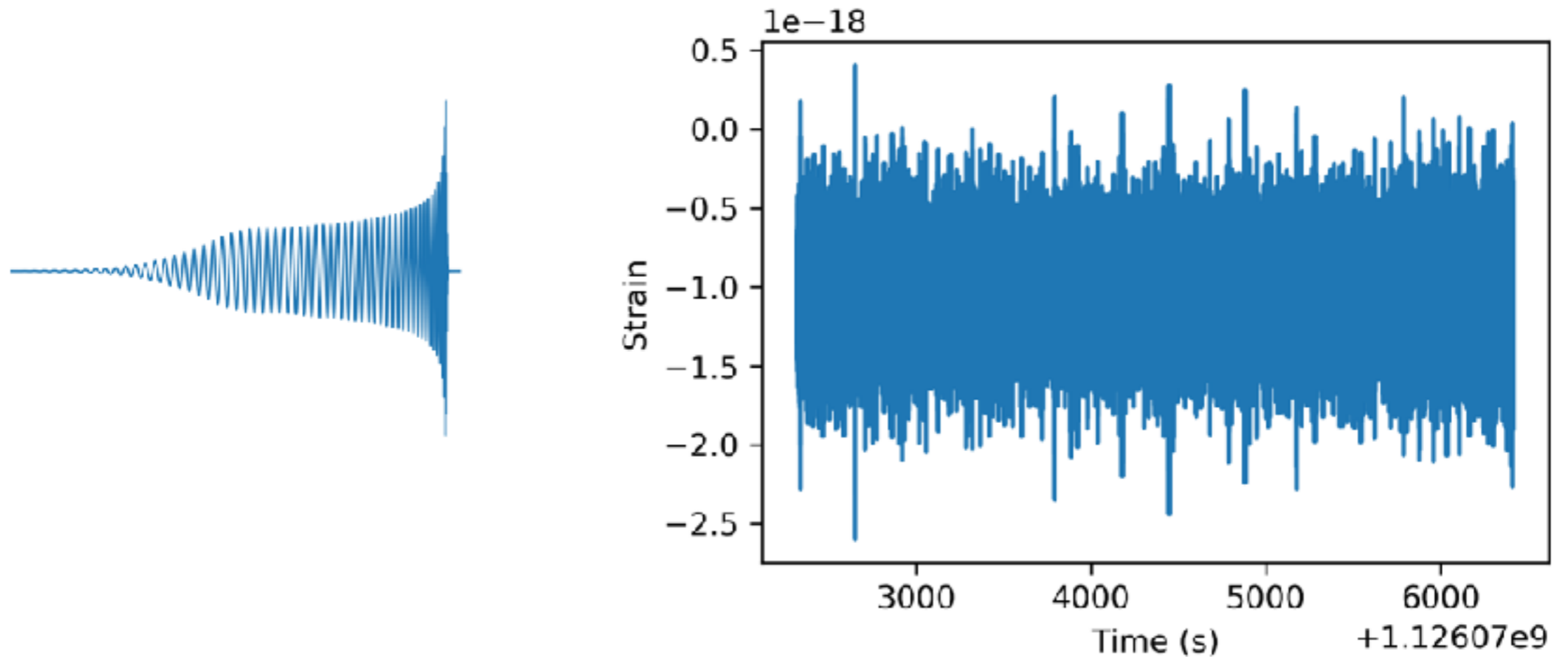
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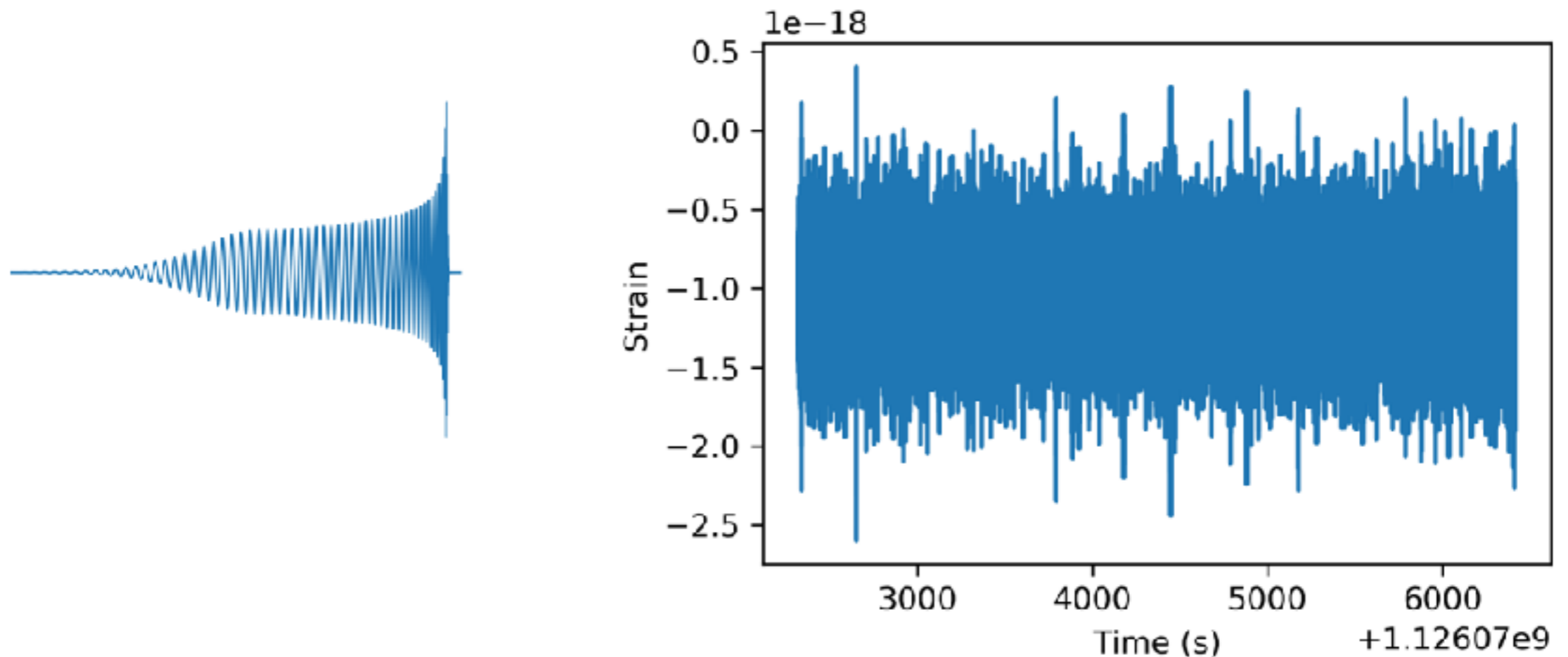


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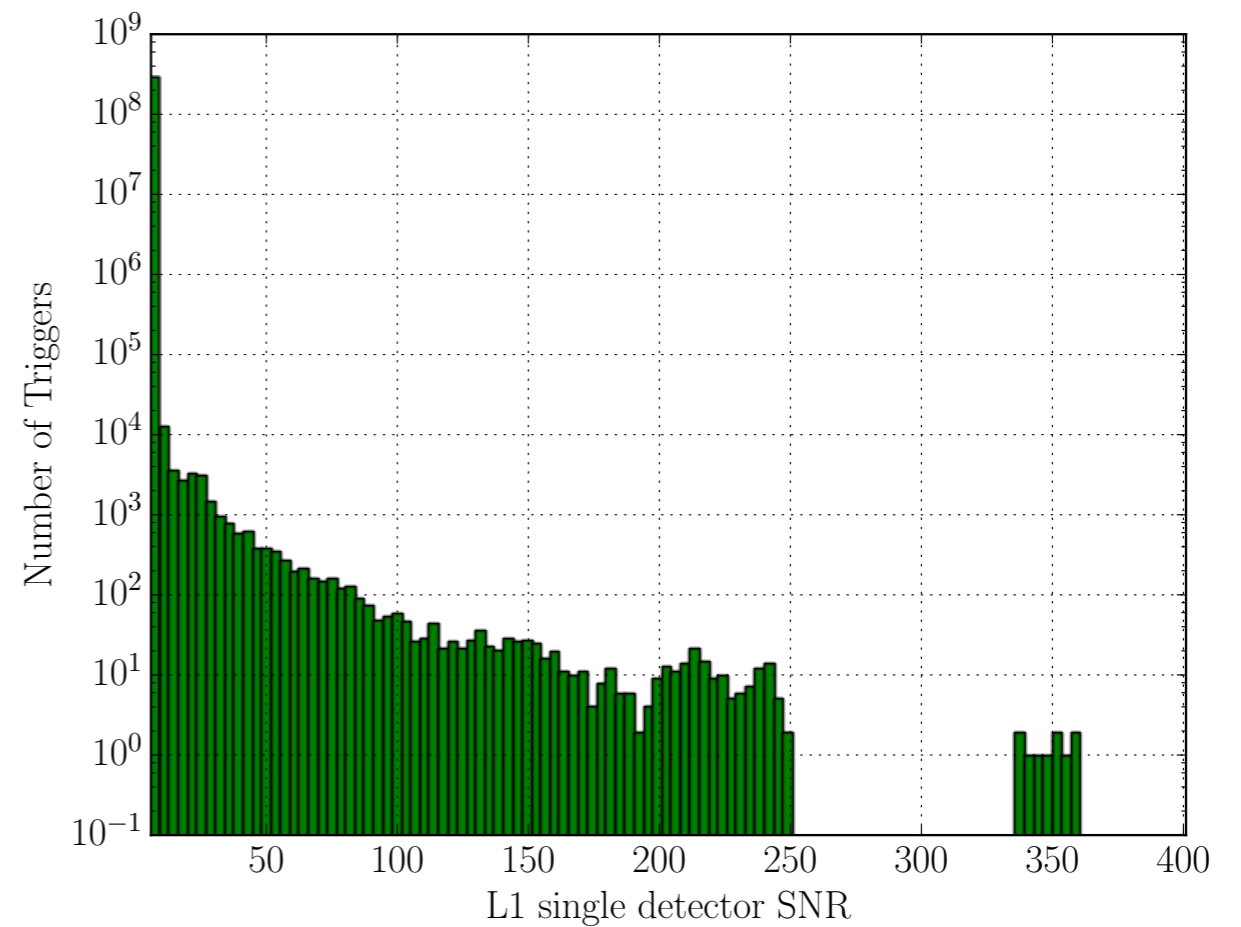
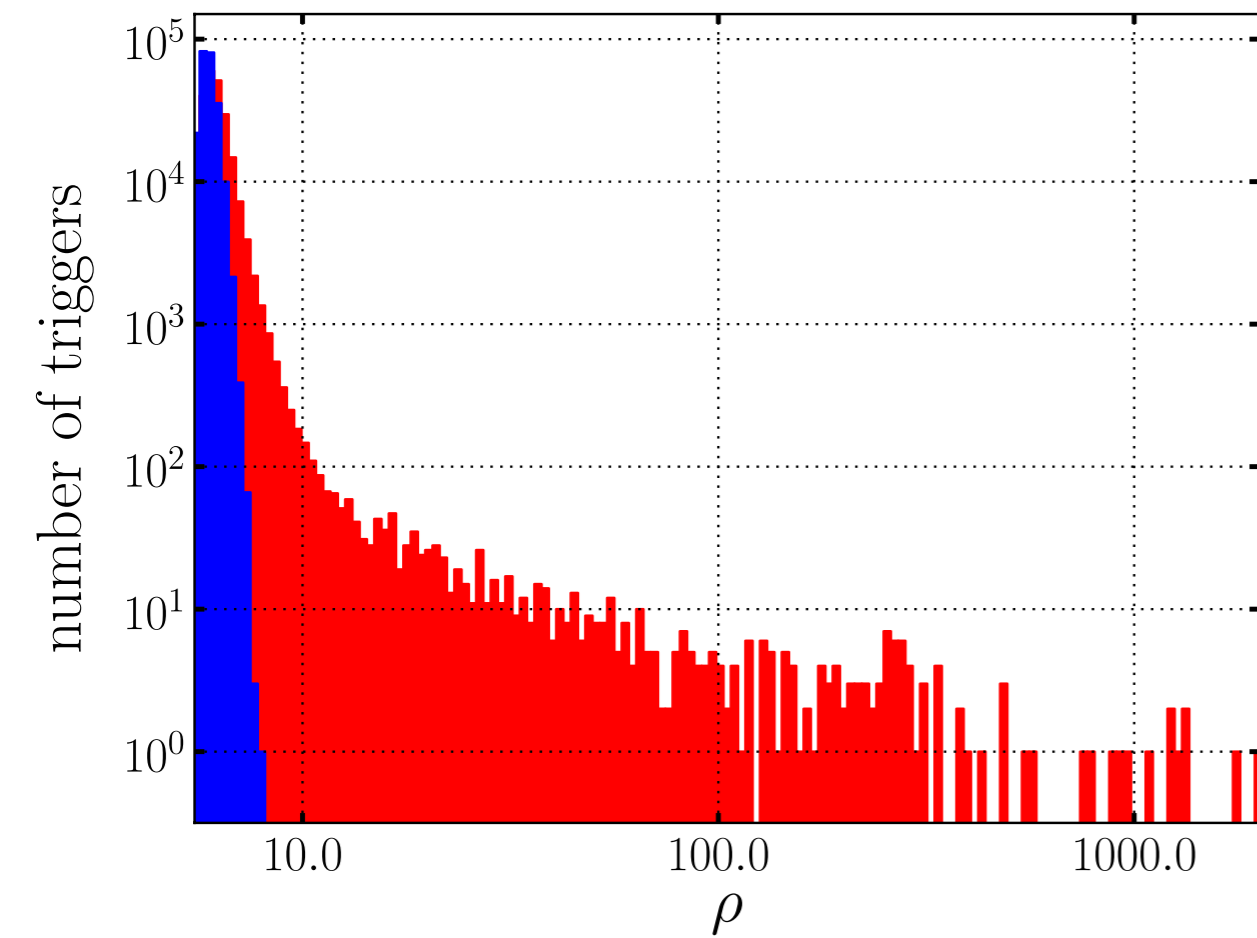
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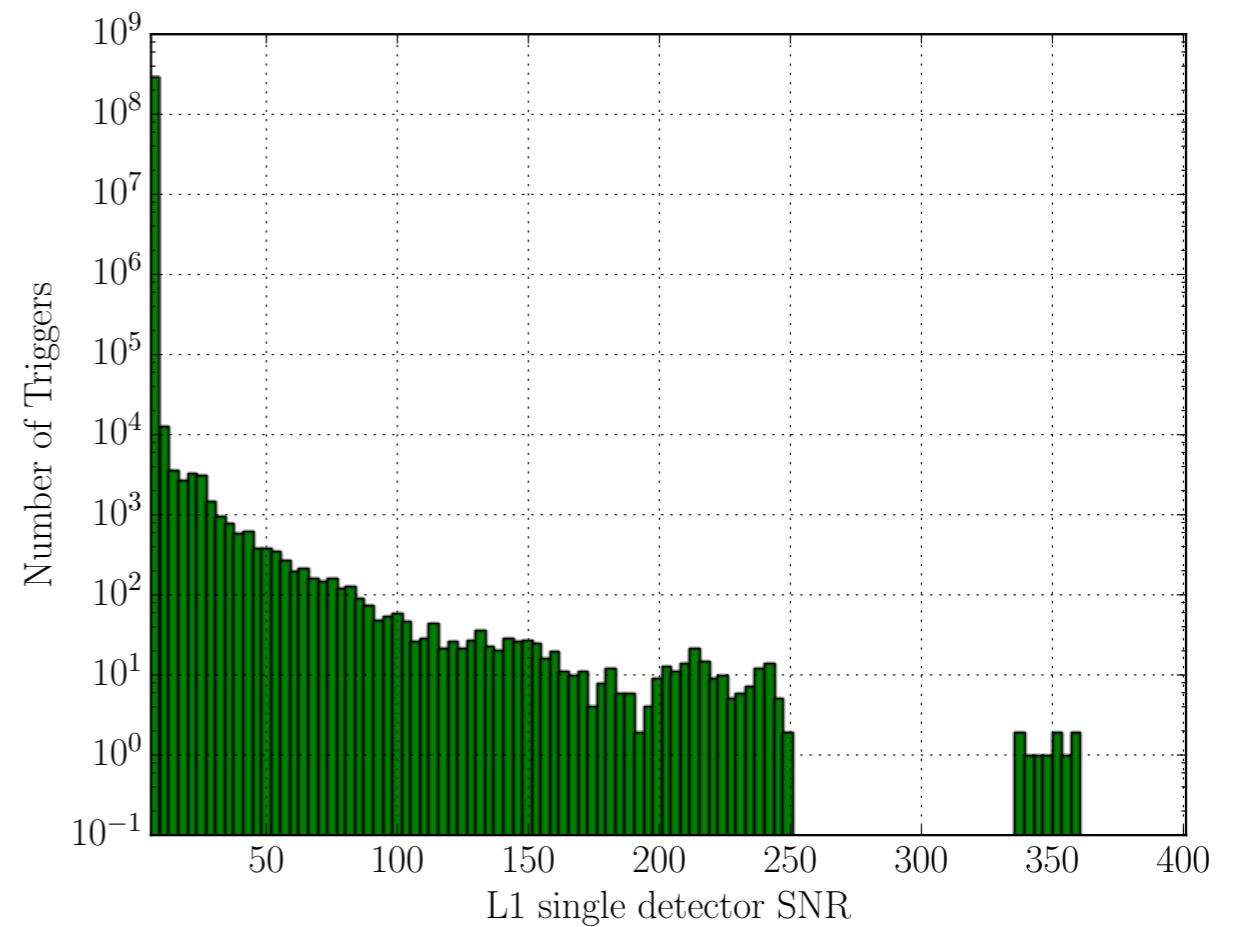
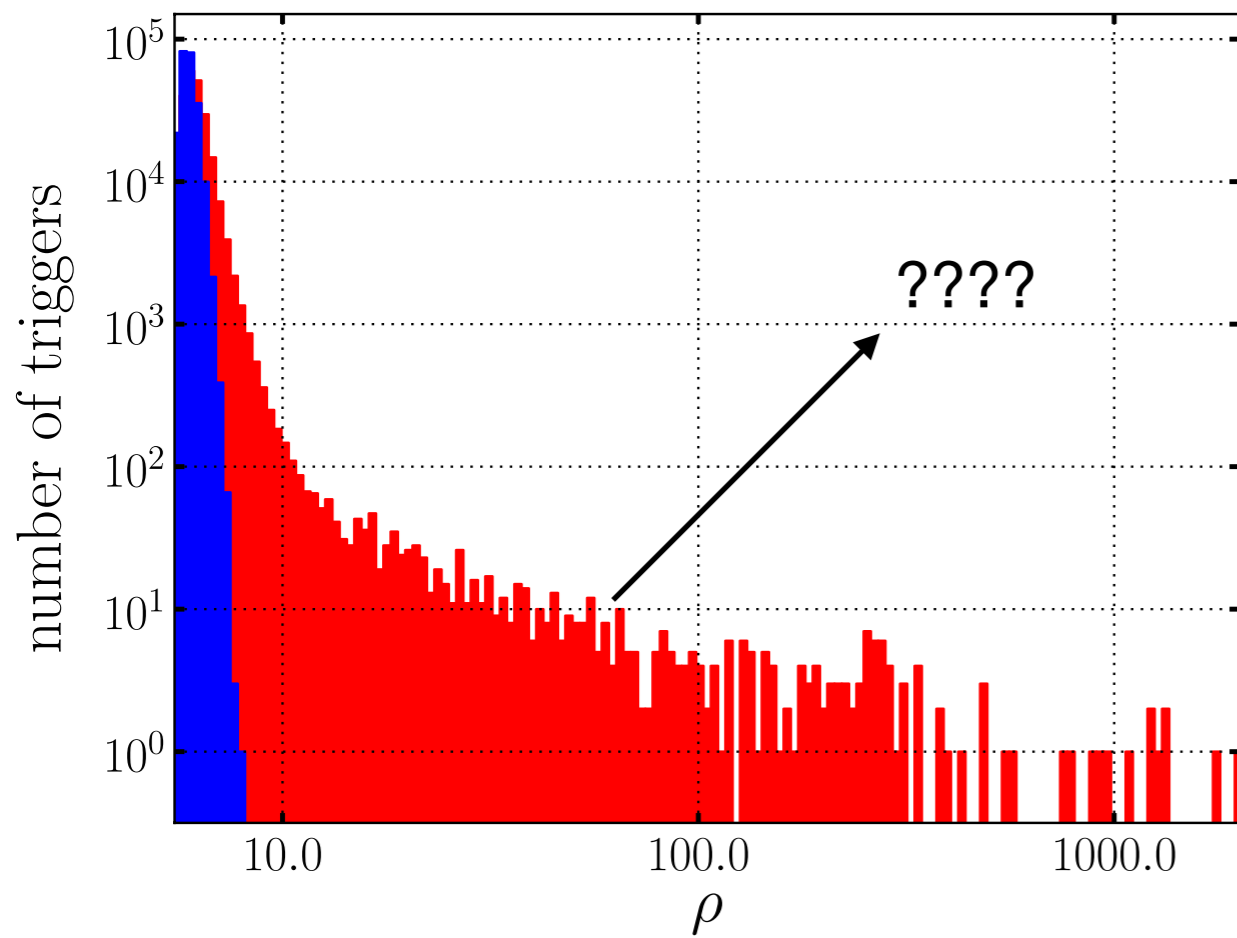


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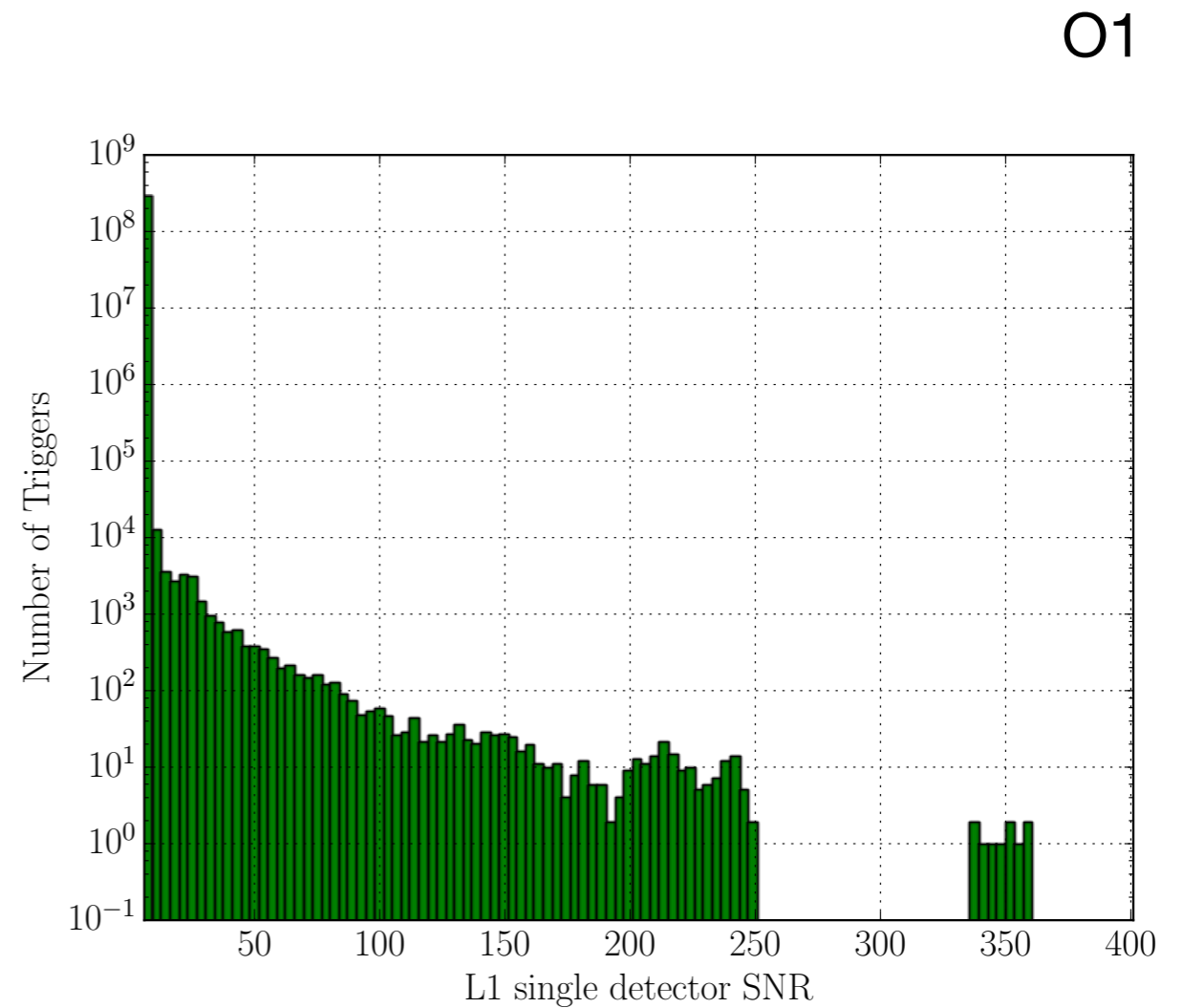
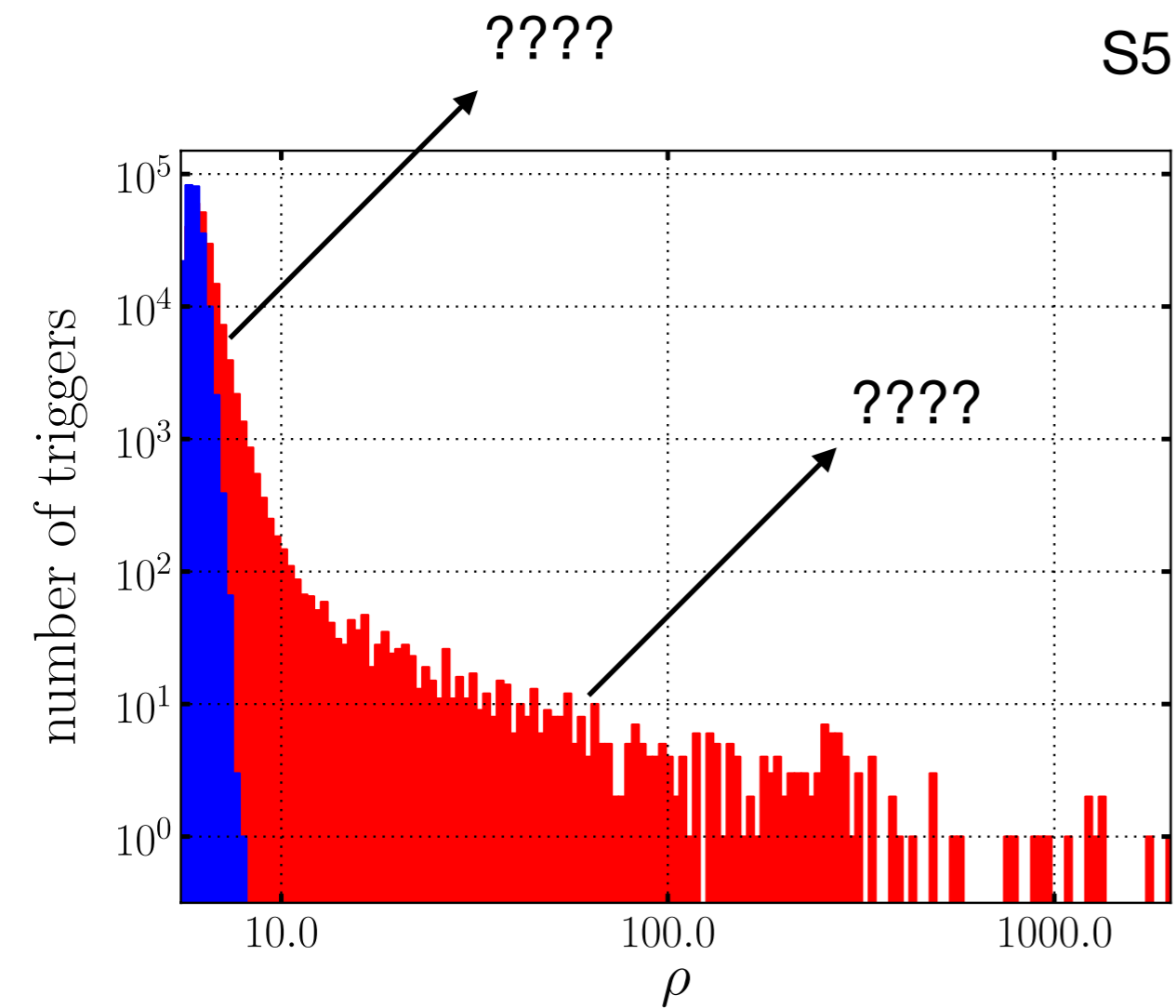
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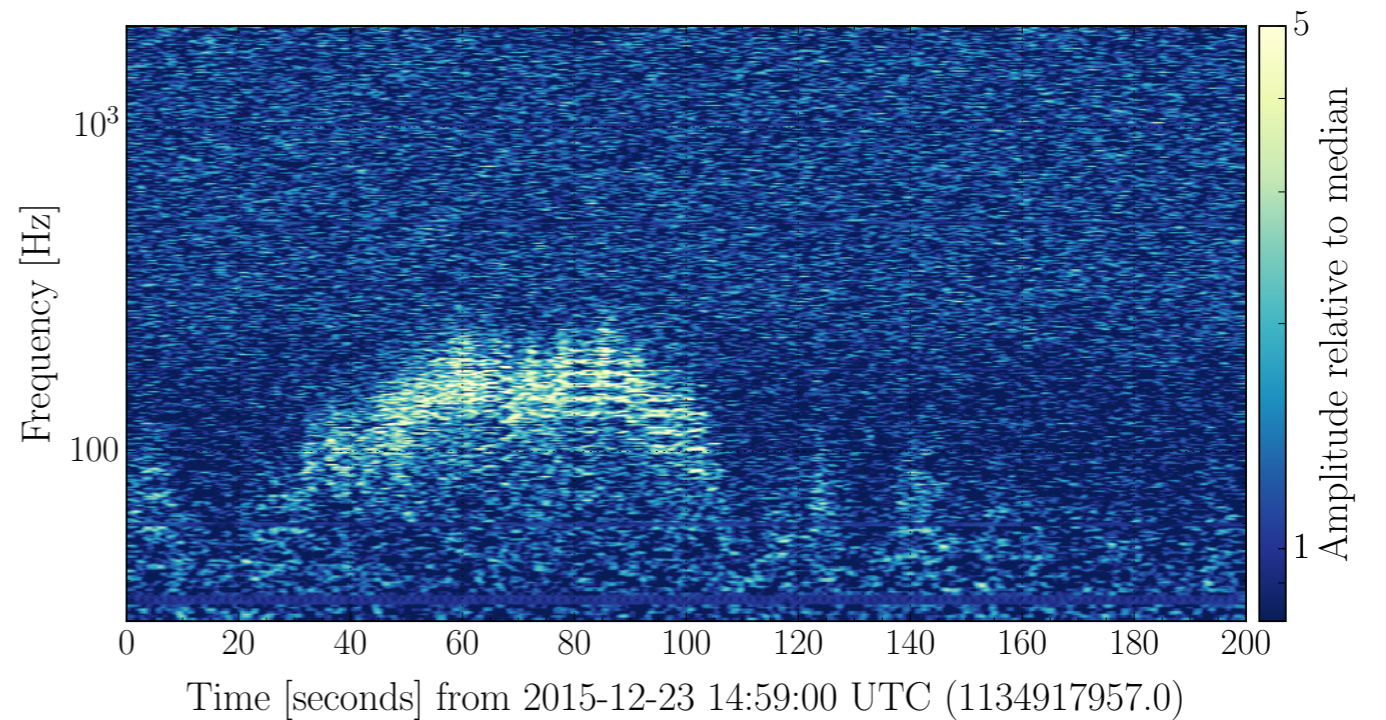
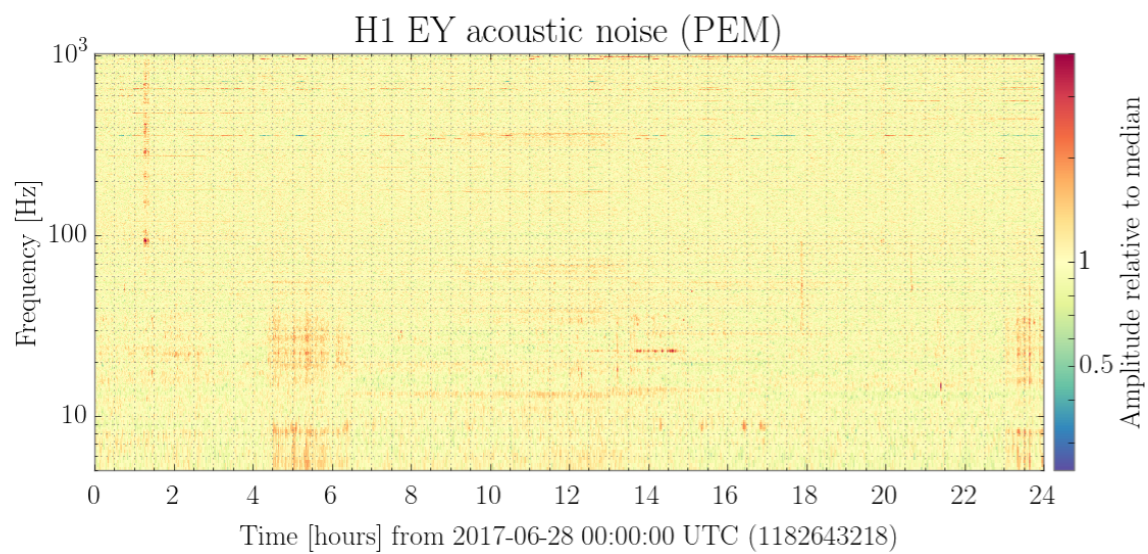
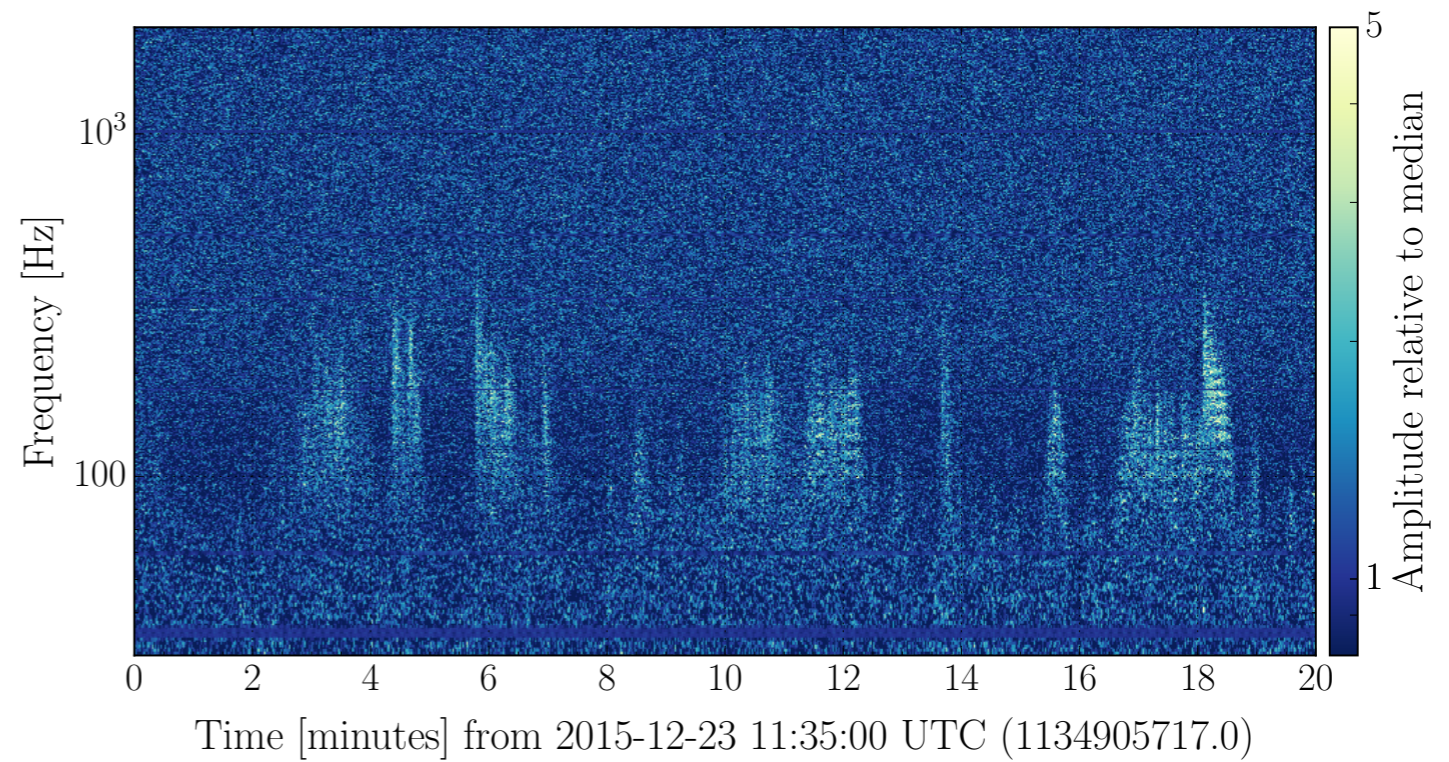
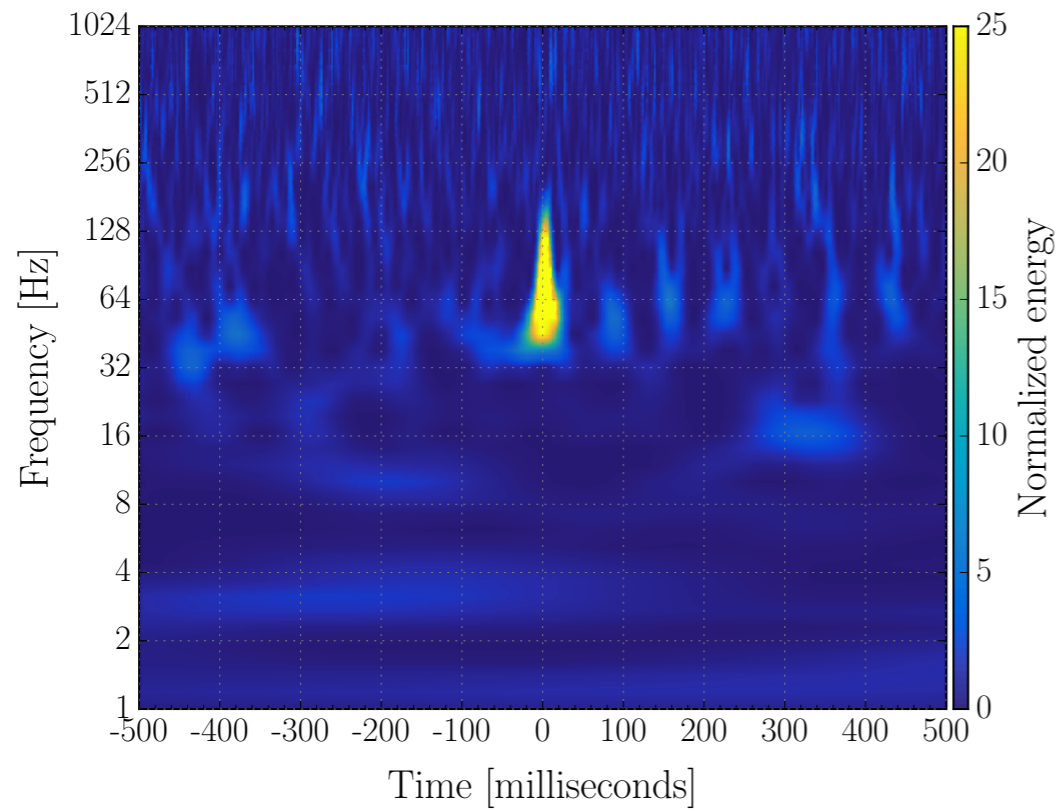
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- has unit variance, and
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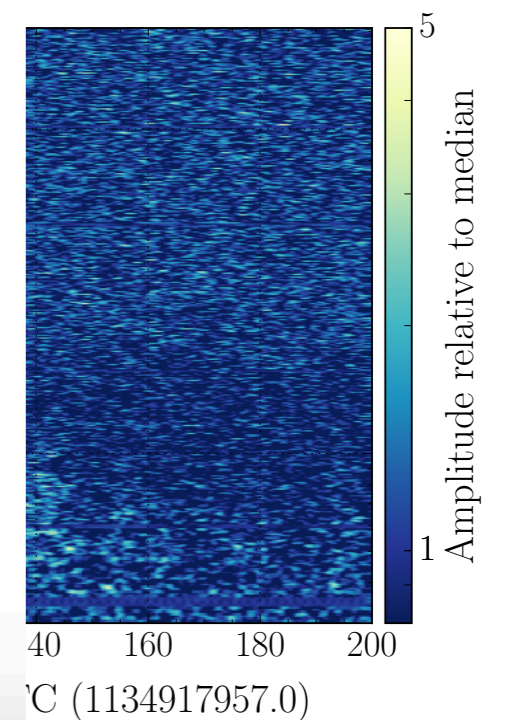
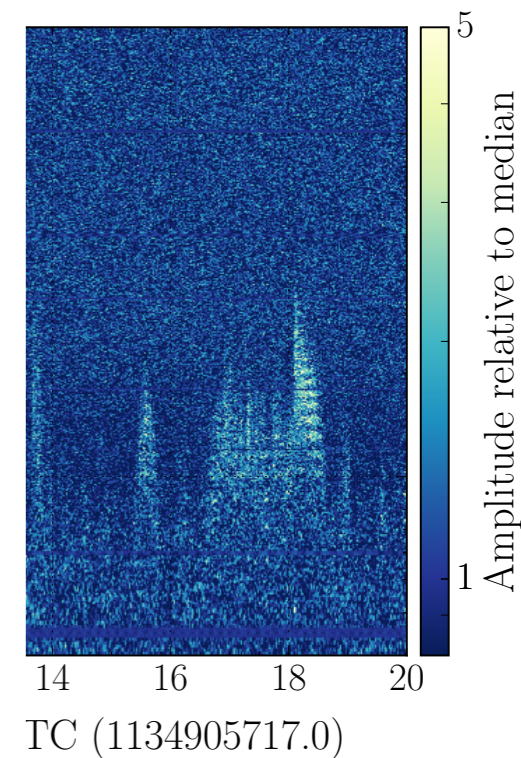
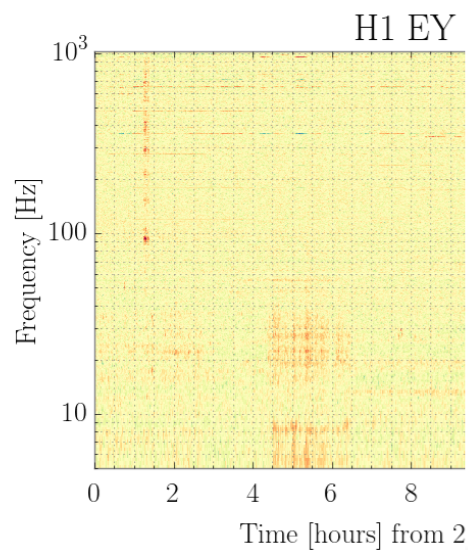
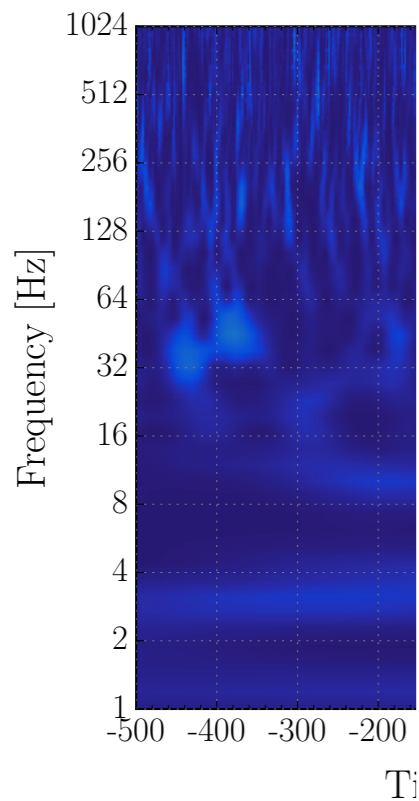


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Thirsty the Raven: "My spooking plans were sabotaged, and I would have gotten away with it if it hadn't been for those meddling scientists and their extensive environmental monitors!"

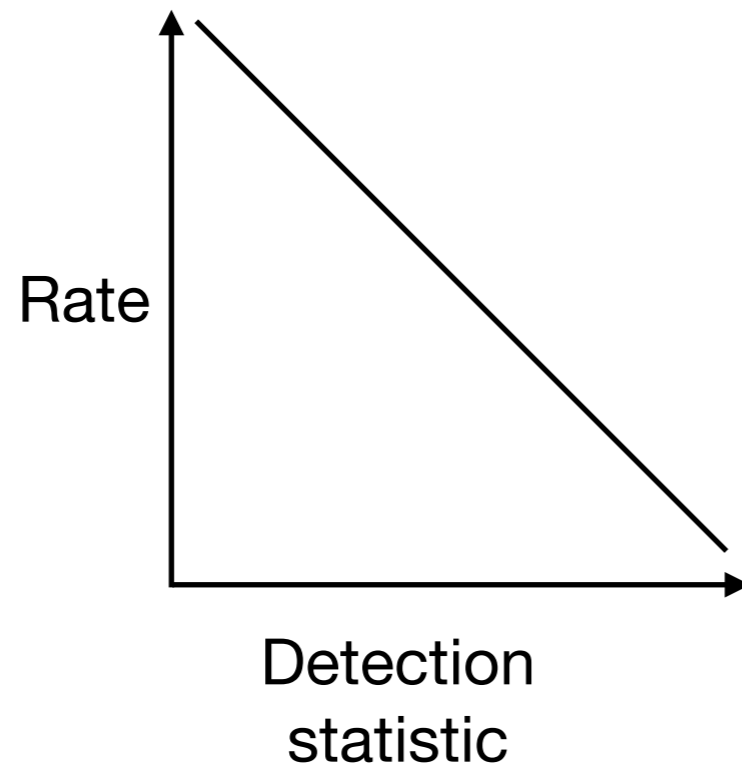
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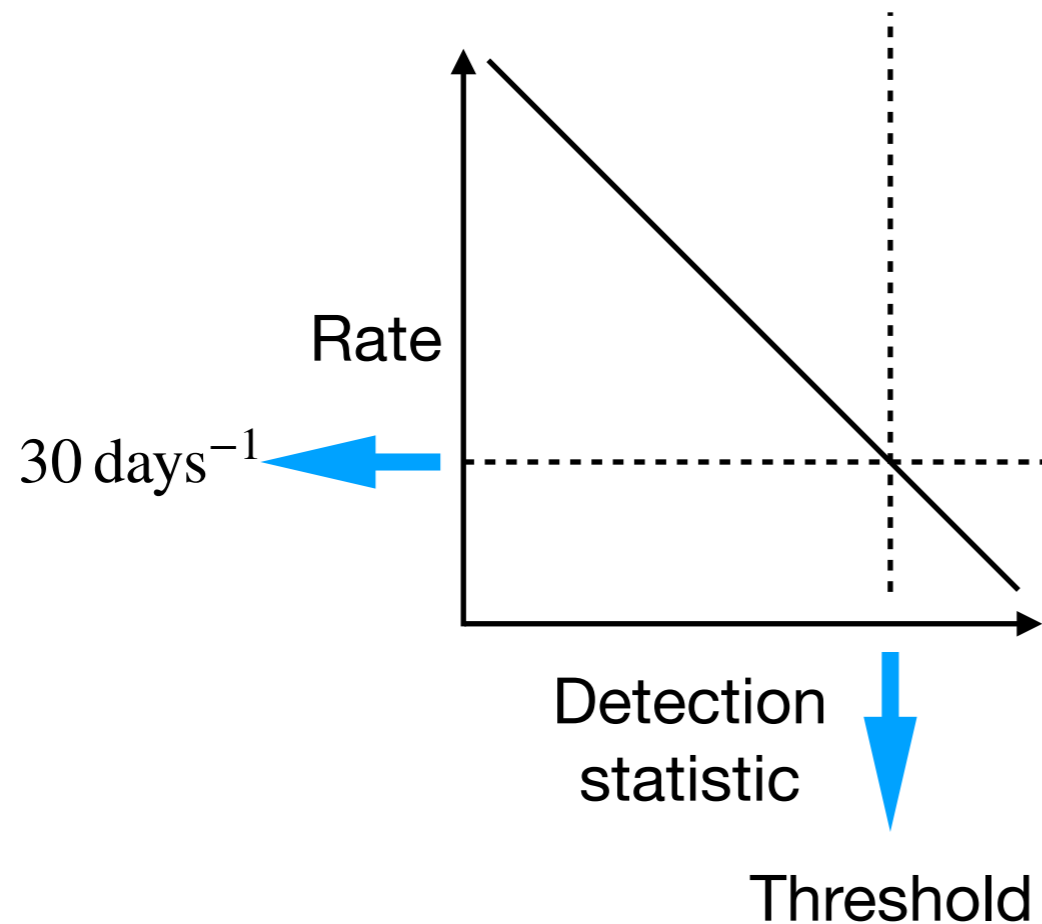
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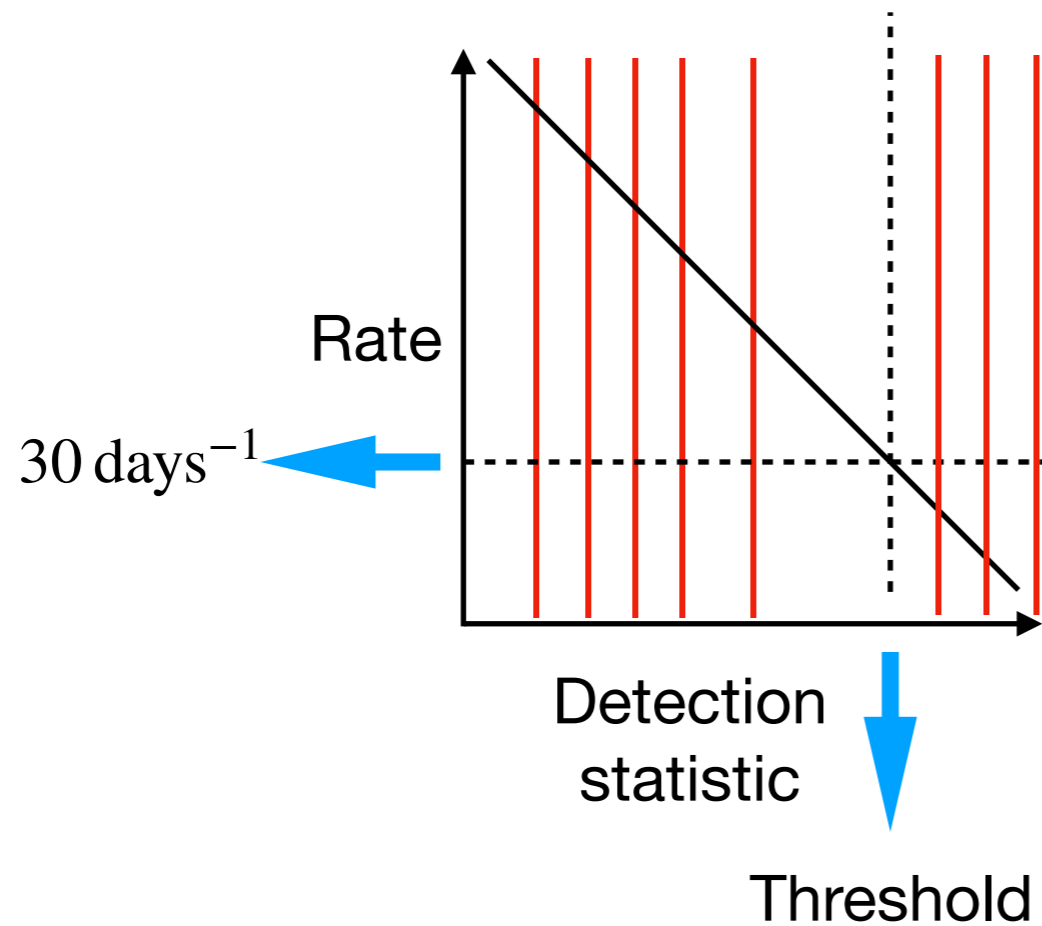
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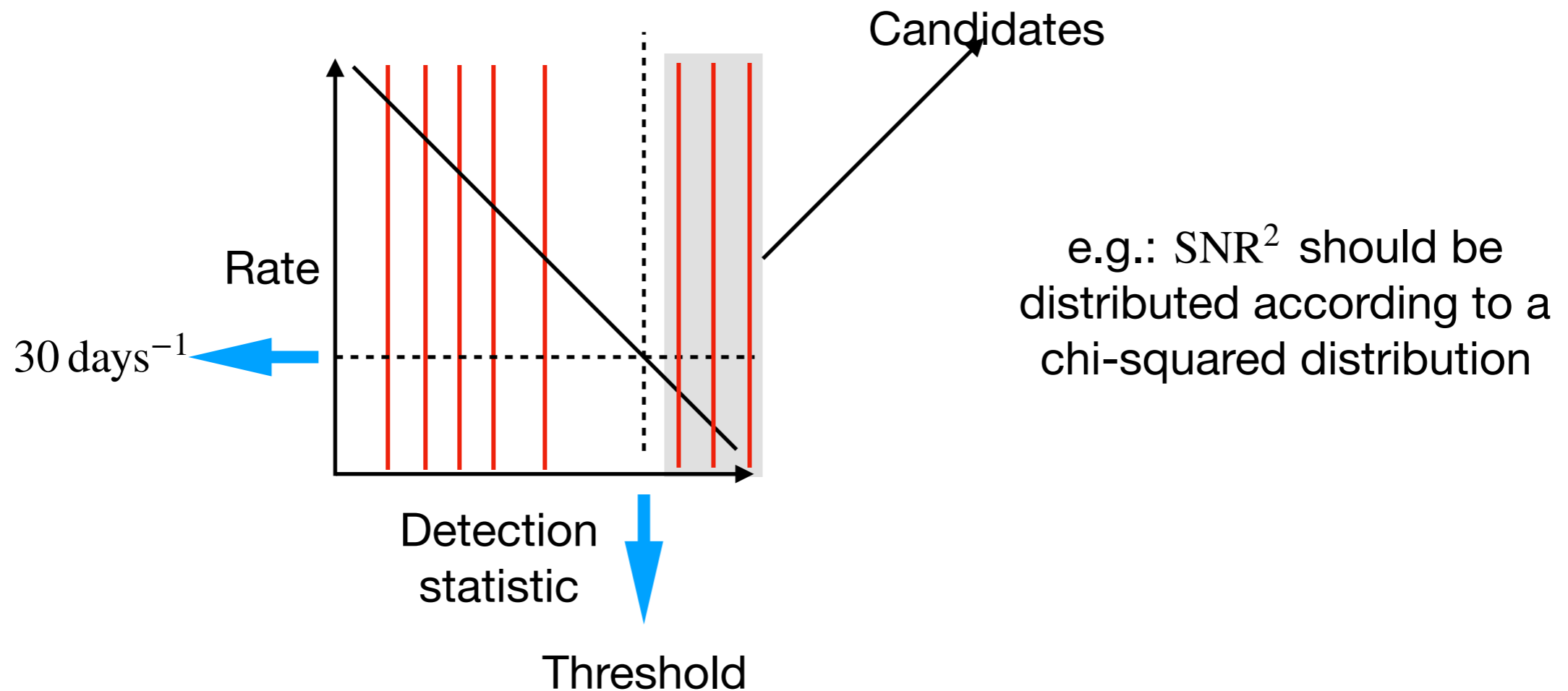
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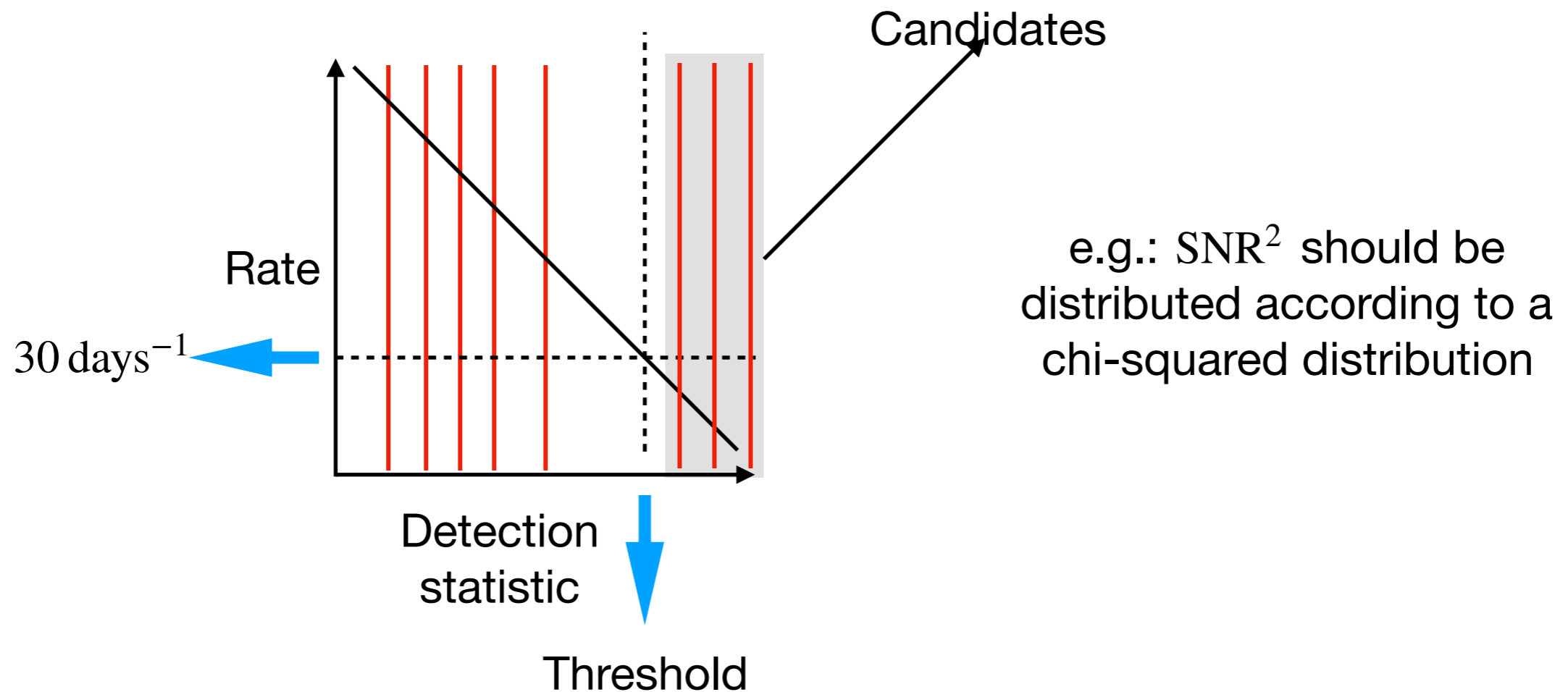
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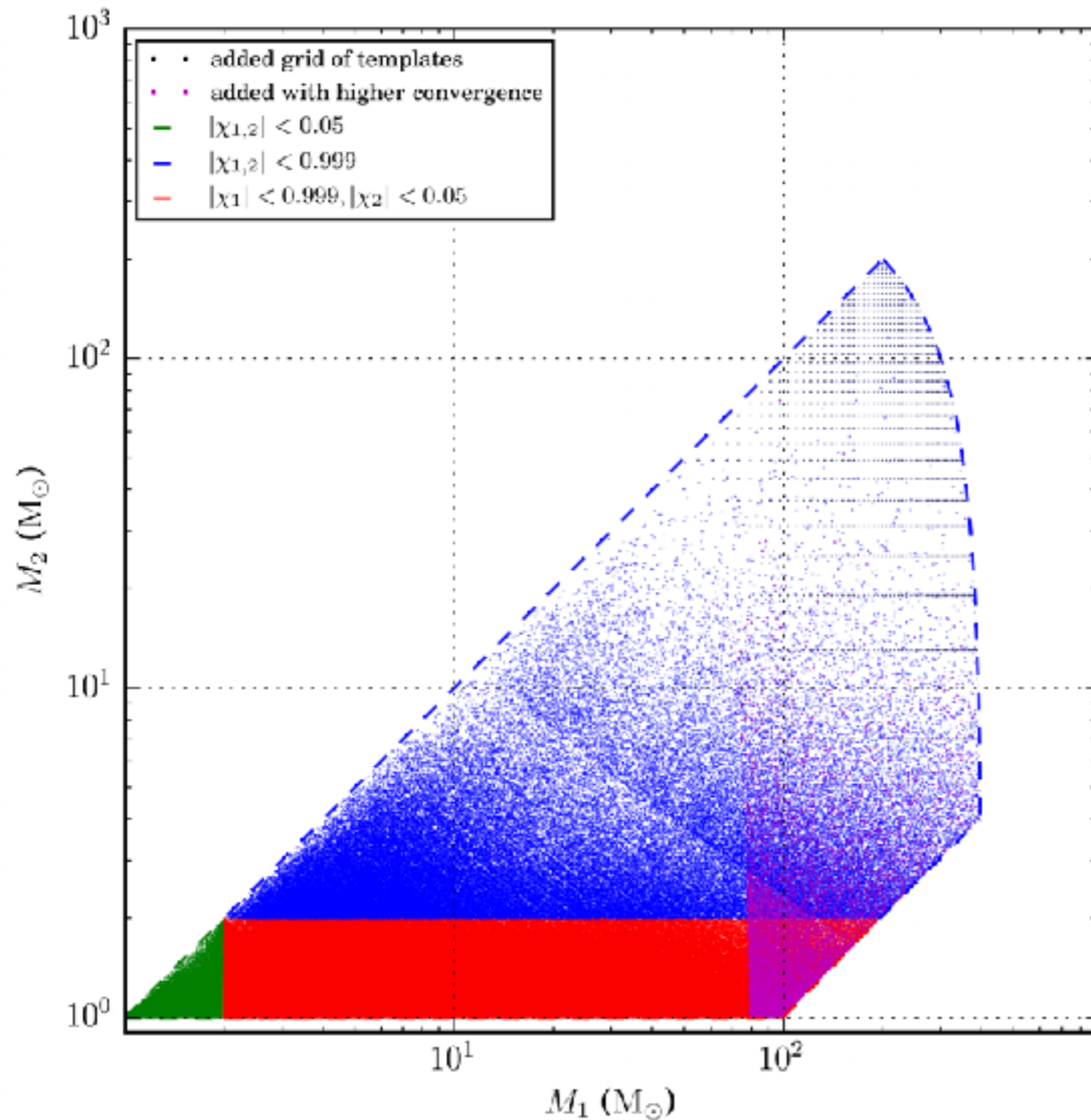
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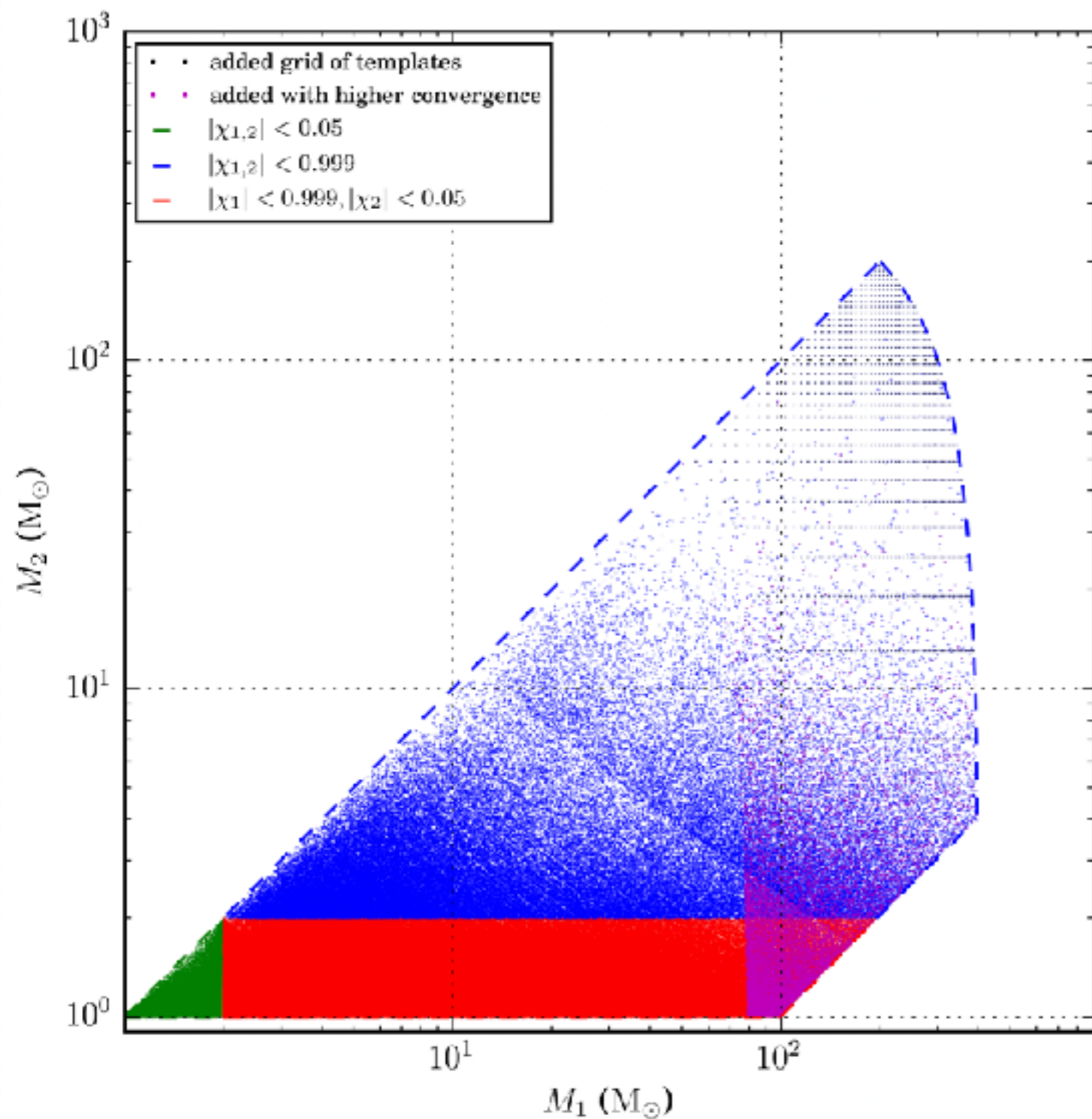
1. O1 run: Sep 2015 to Jan 2016
  - ~50 days of coincident runtime
  - Two confirmed detections of GWs from merging BBHs, and one candidate (LVT151012)
2. O2 run: Nov 2016 to Aug 2017
  - 118 days of coincident data between H and L
  - 15 days with VIRGO
  - A BNS merger detected
  - With more confirmed events, and a better handle on the rates, criteria for detection were defined. 7 new BBH mergers, and LVT, added to the list of events.

Happening right now: O3 ...

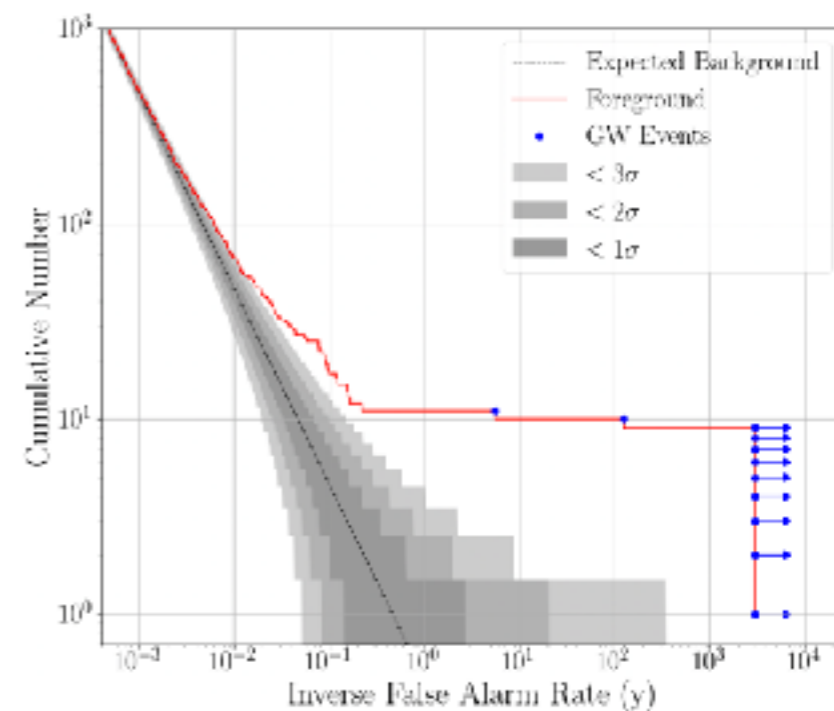
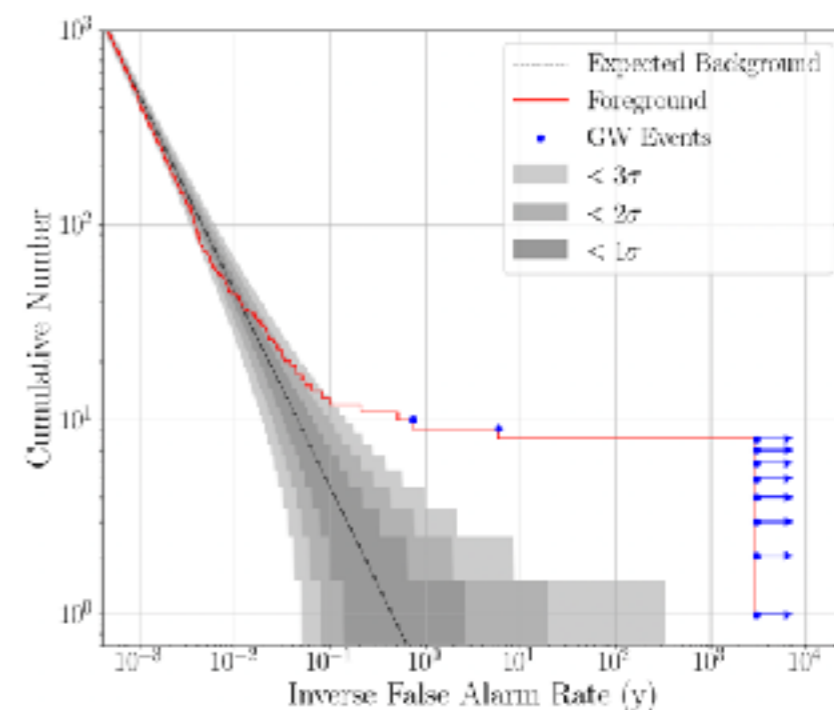
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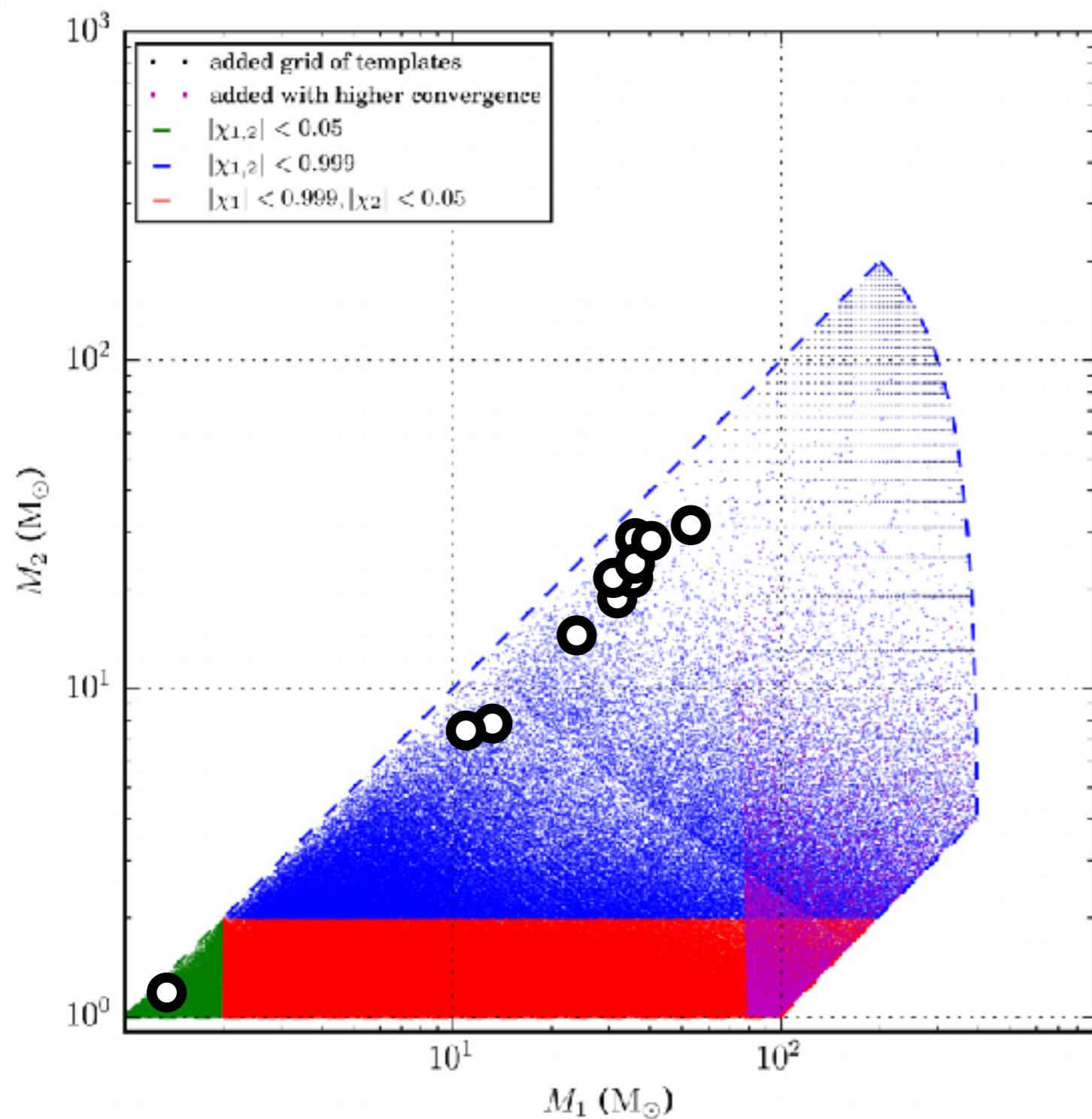


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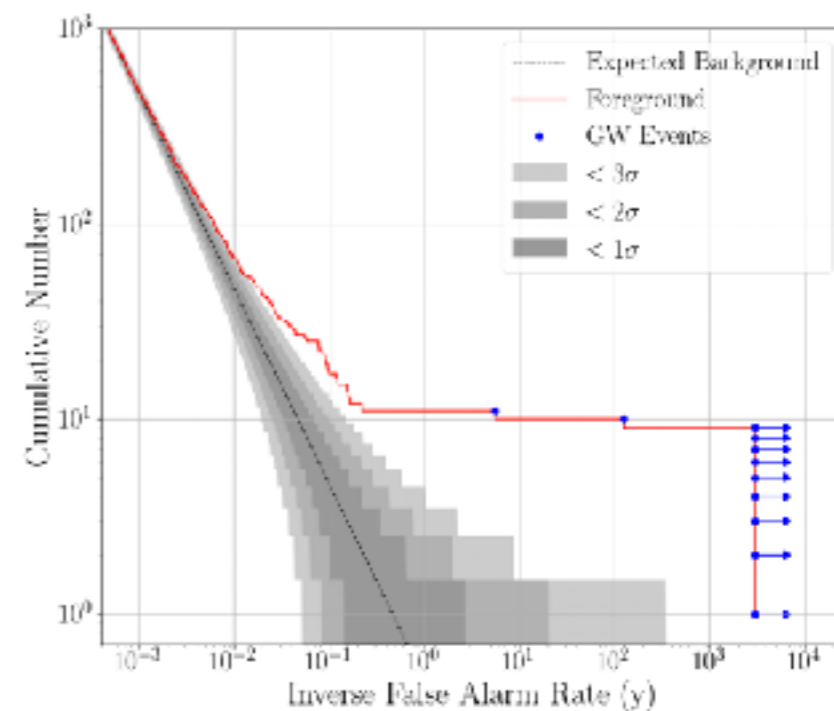
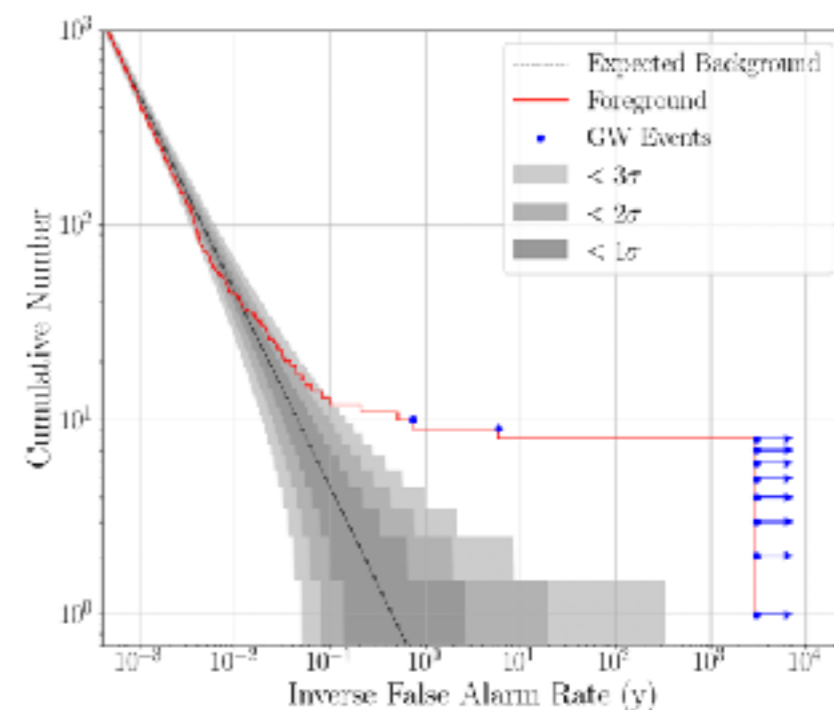


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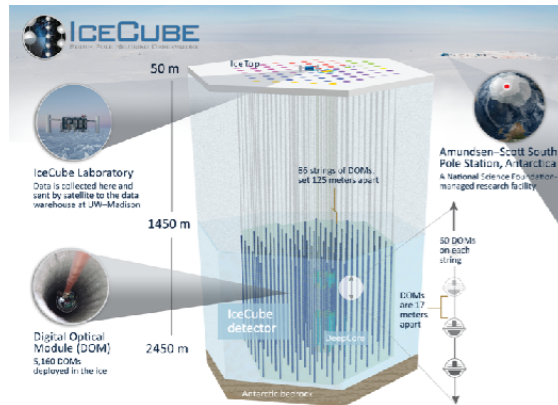
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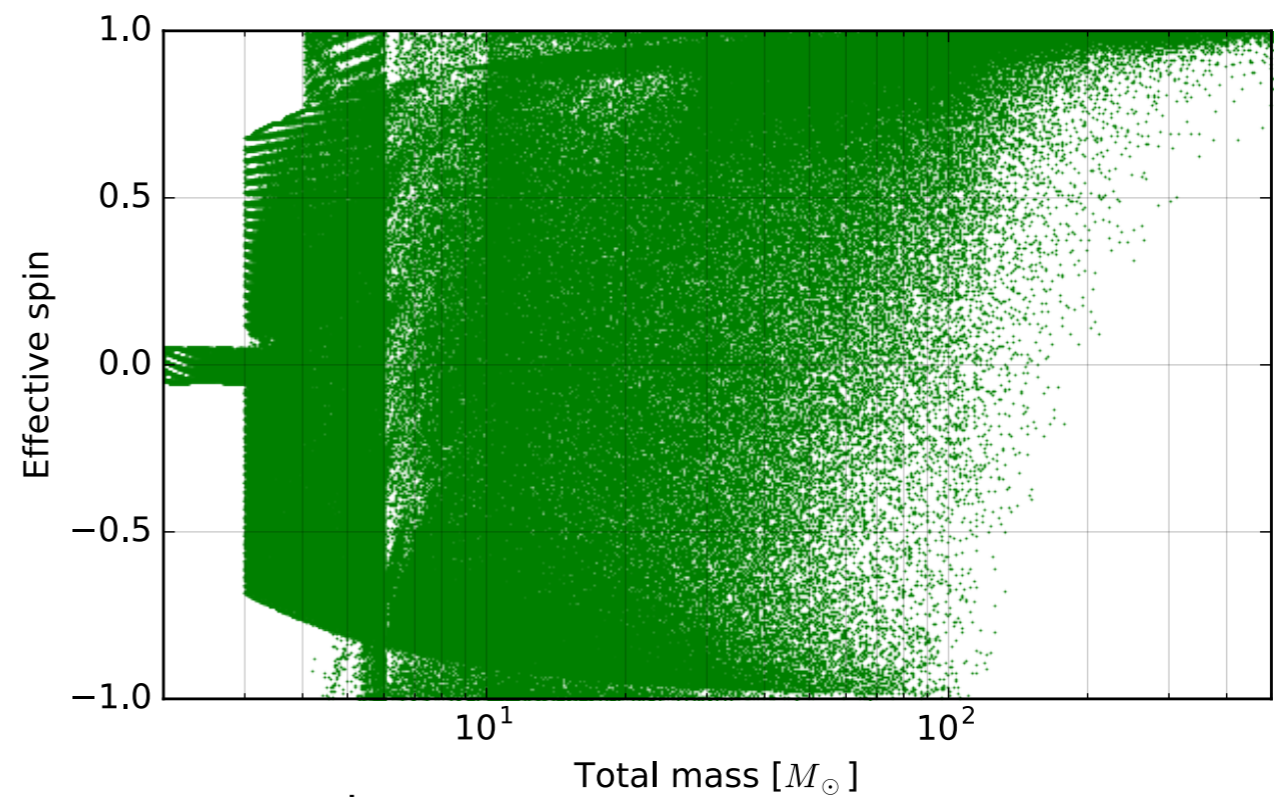
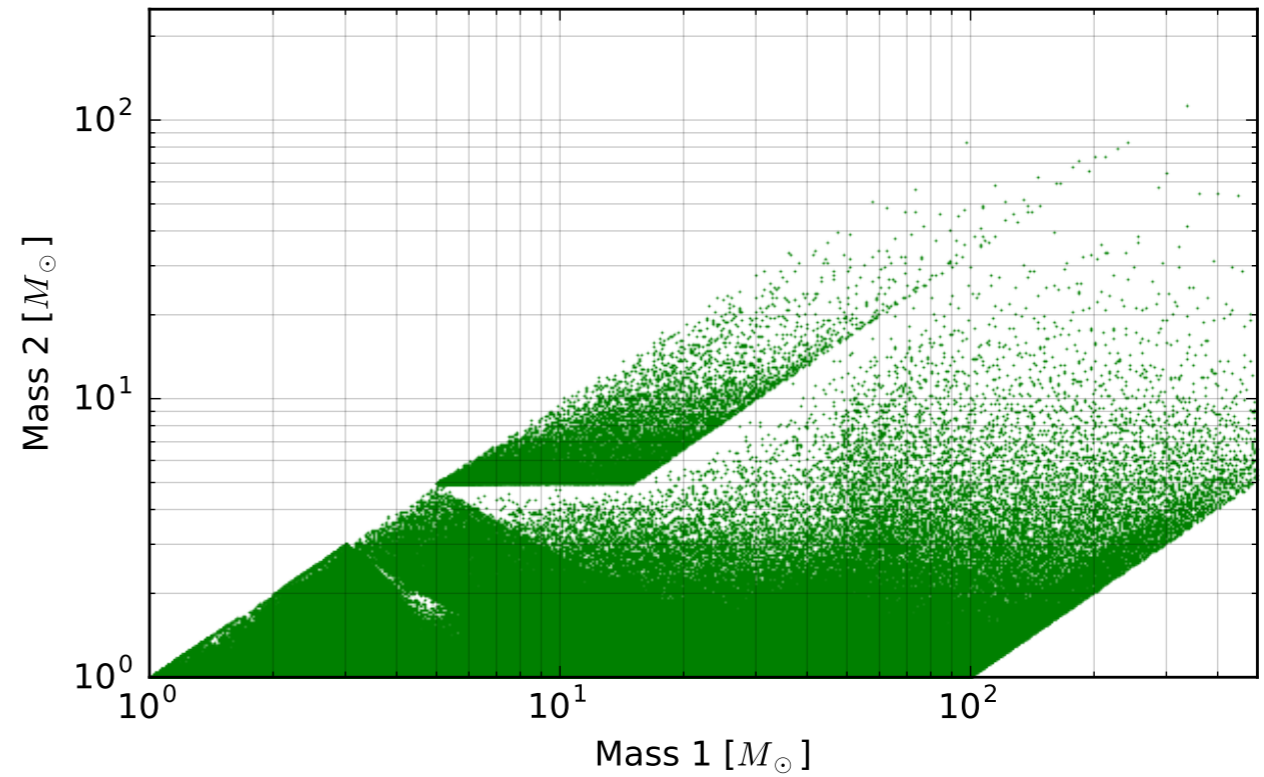
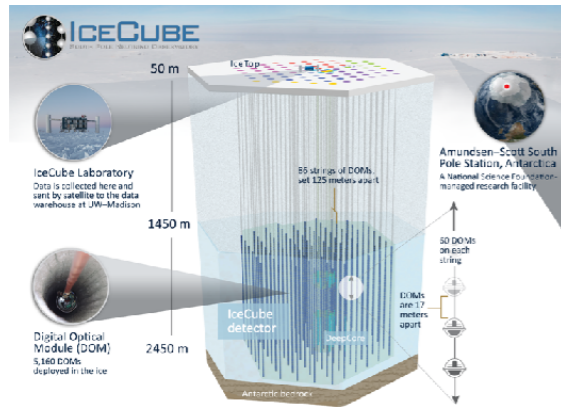
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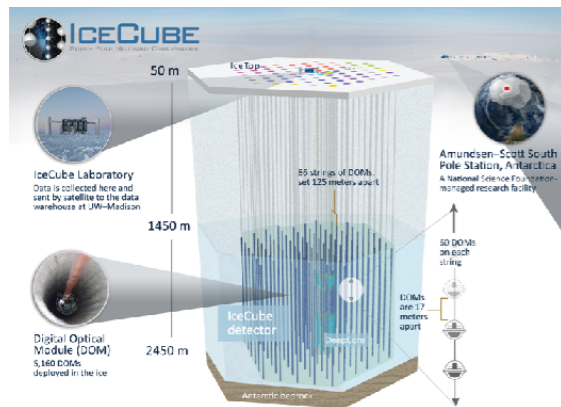


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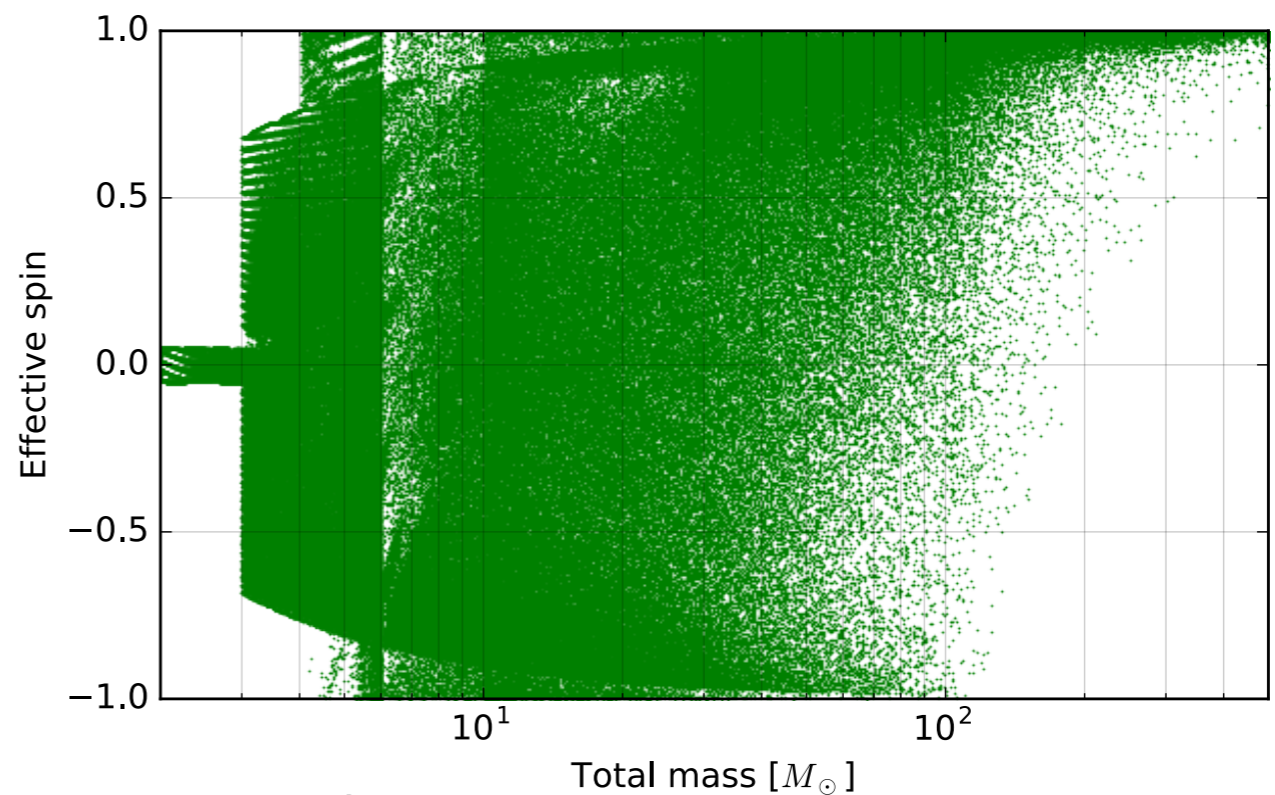
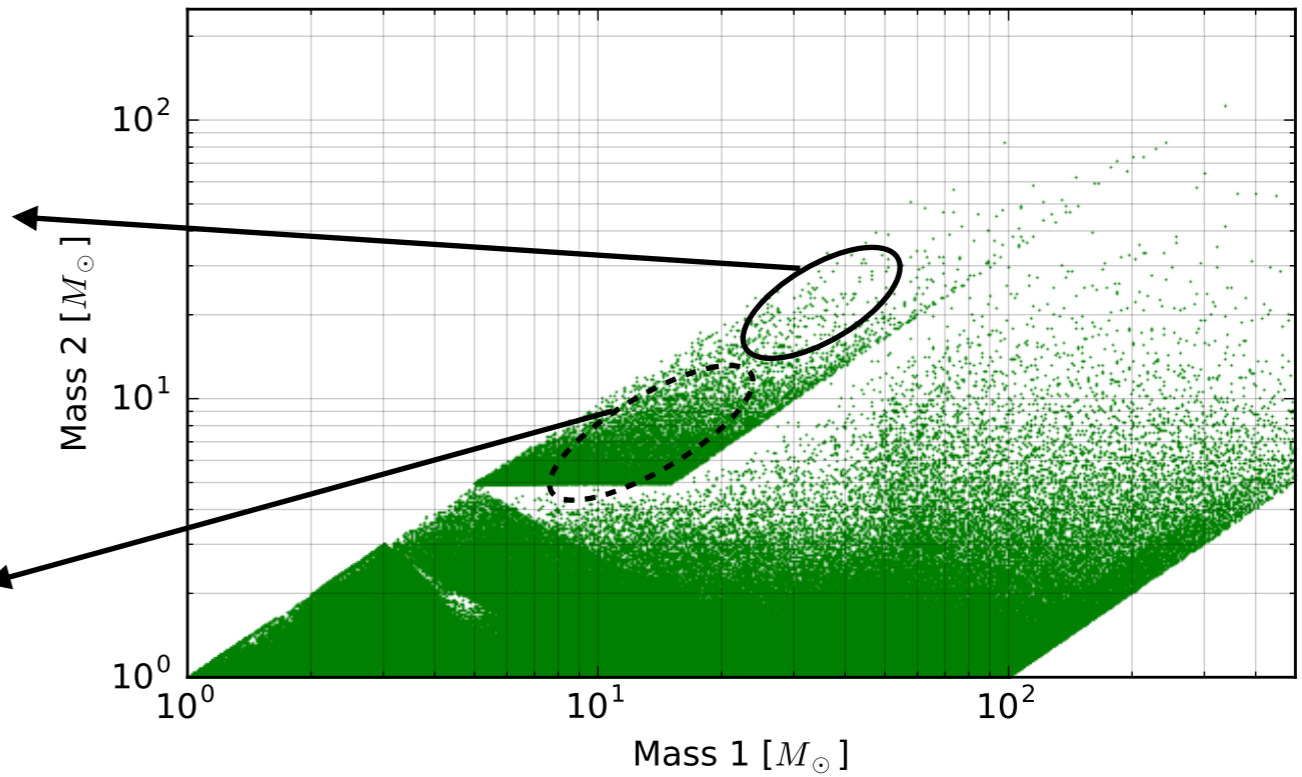
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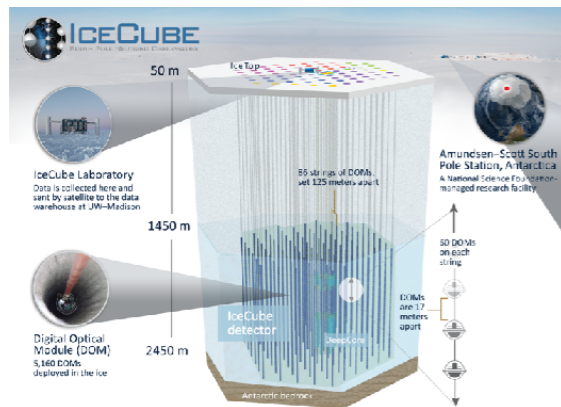


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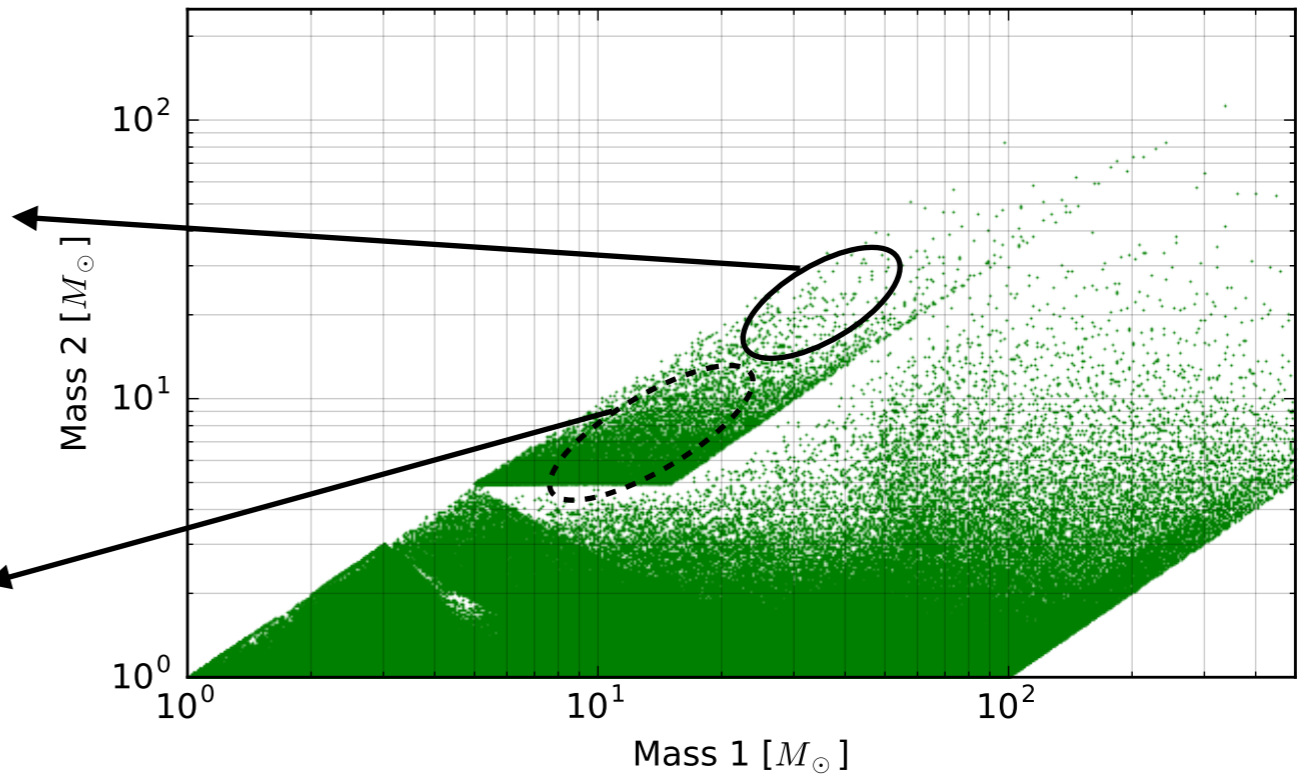
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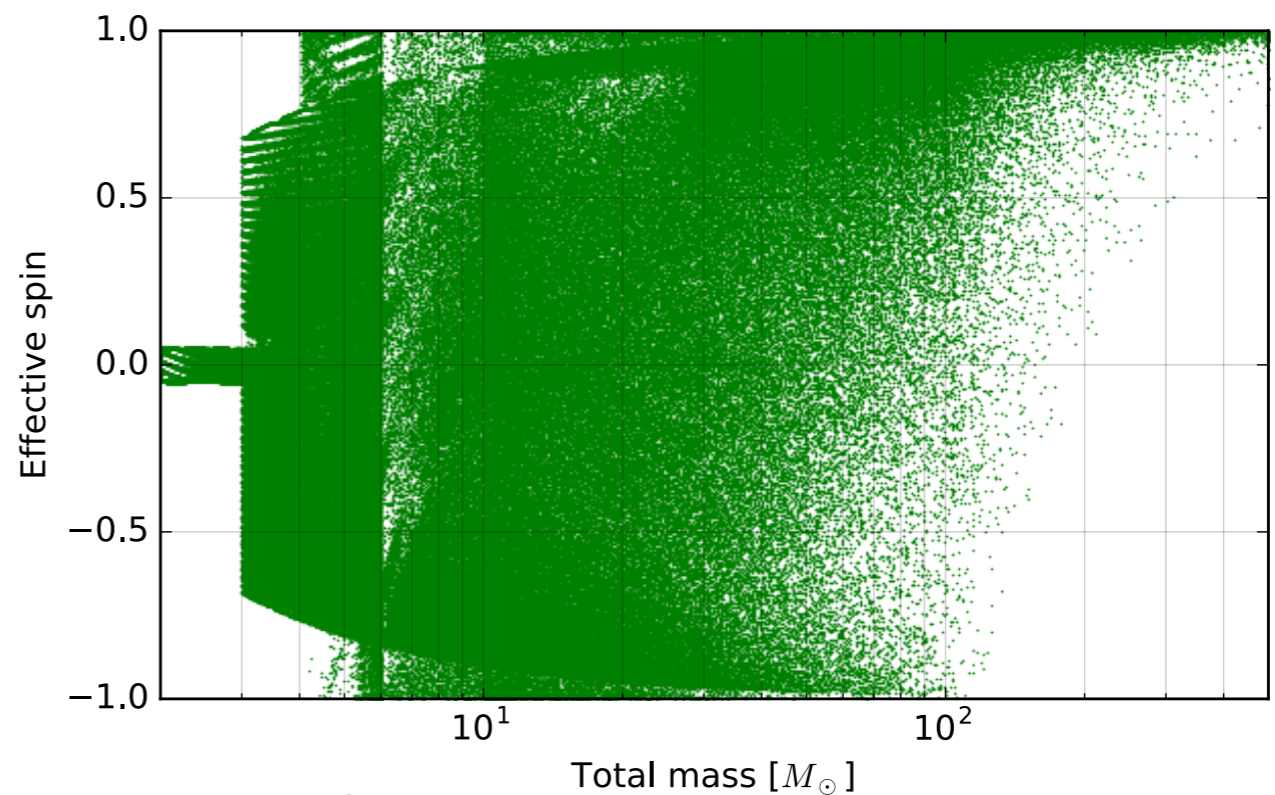
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$$\phi \sim \frac{1}{(M_c f_{\min})^{5/3}}$$

$$\frac{dN}{d \ln M_c} \sim (M_c f_{\min})^{-5/3}$$

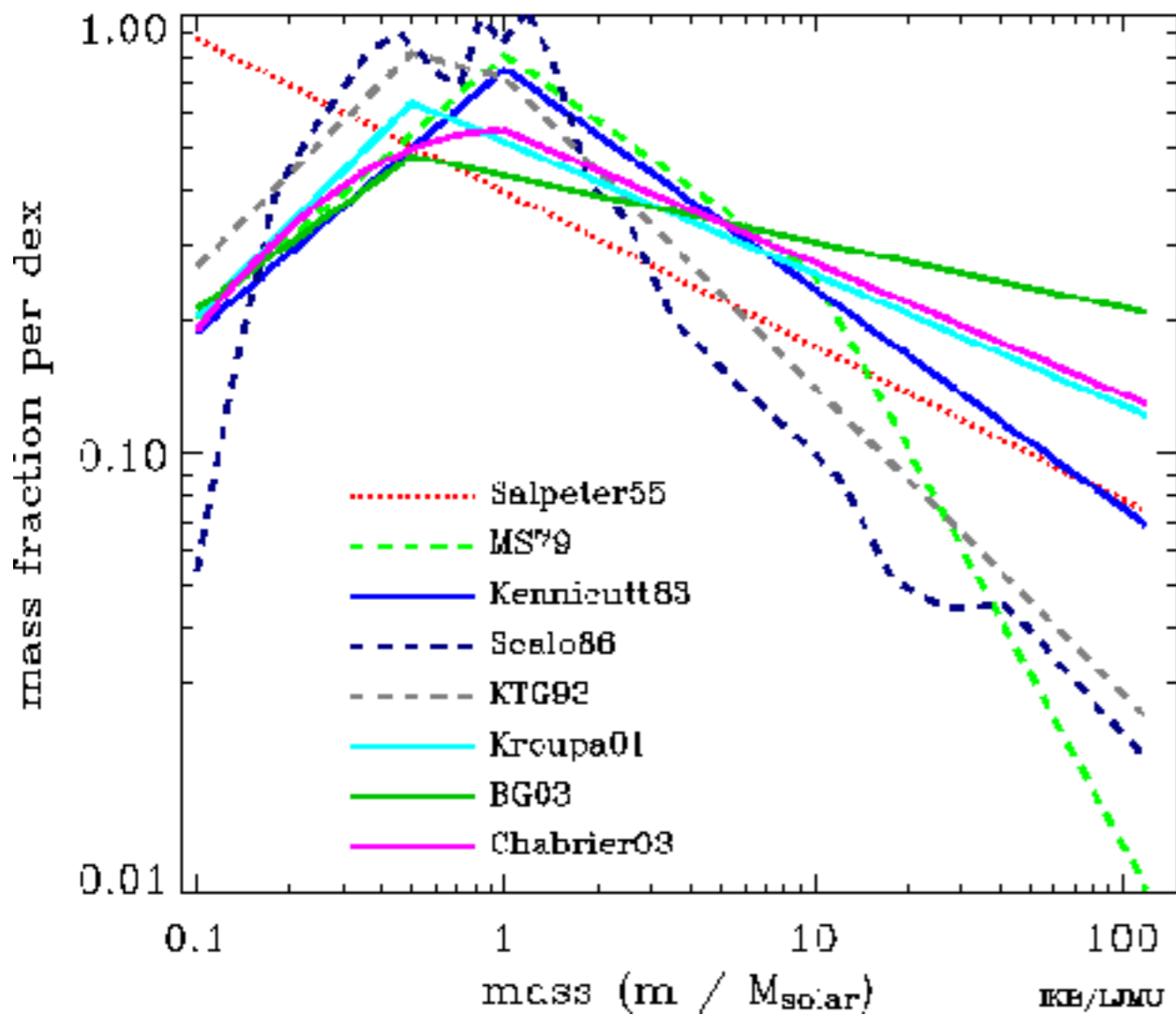


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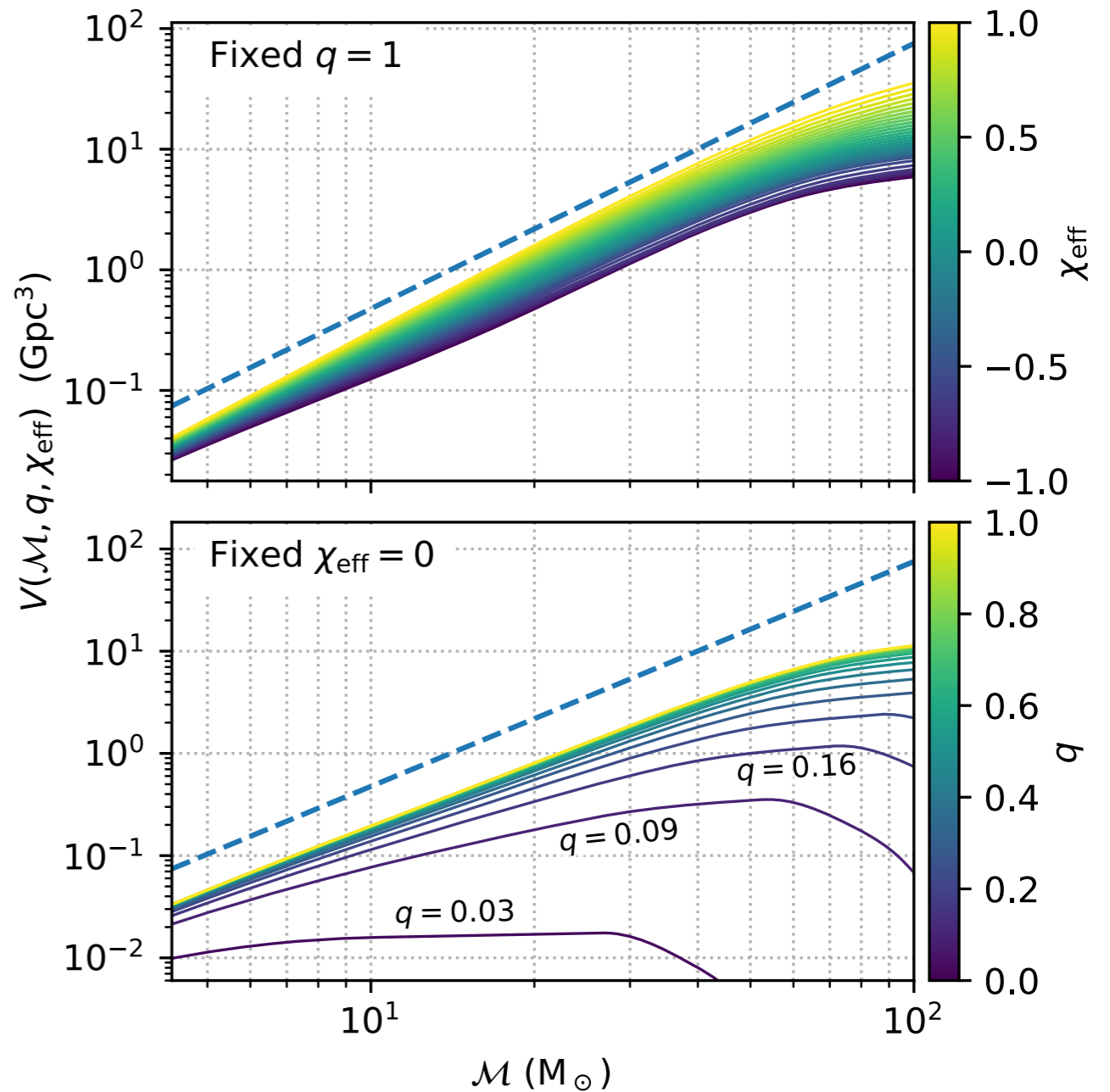
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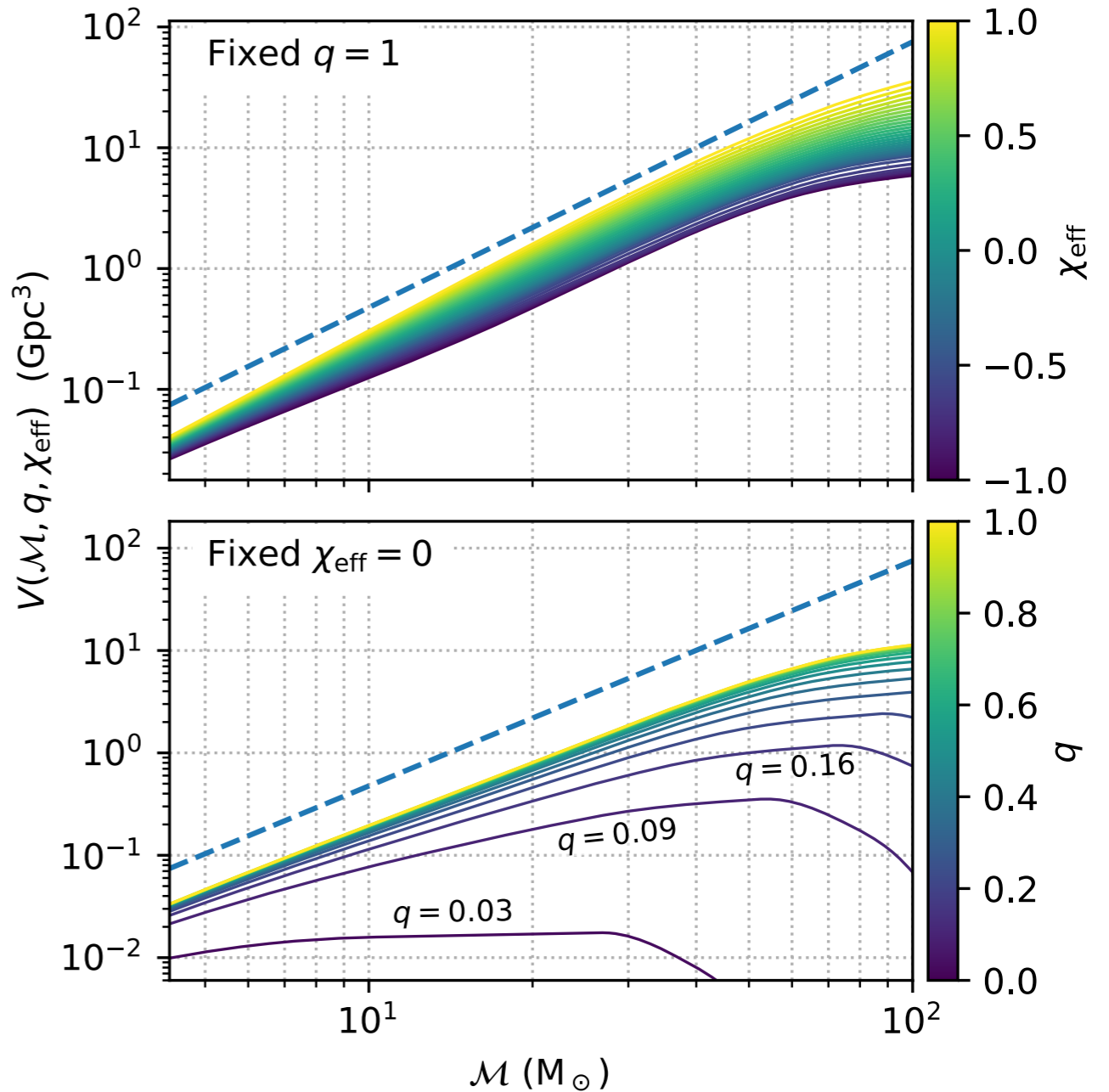
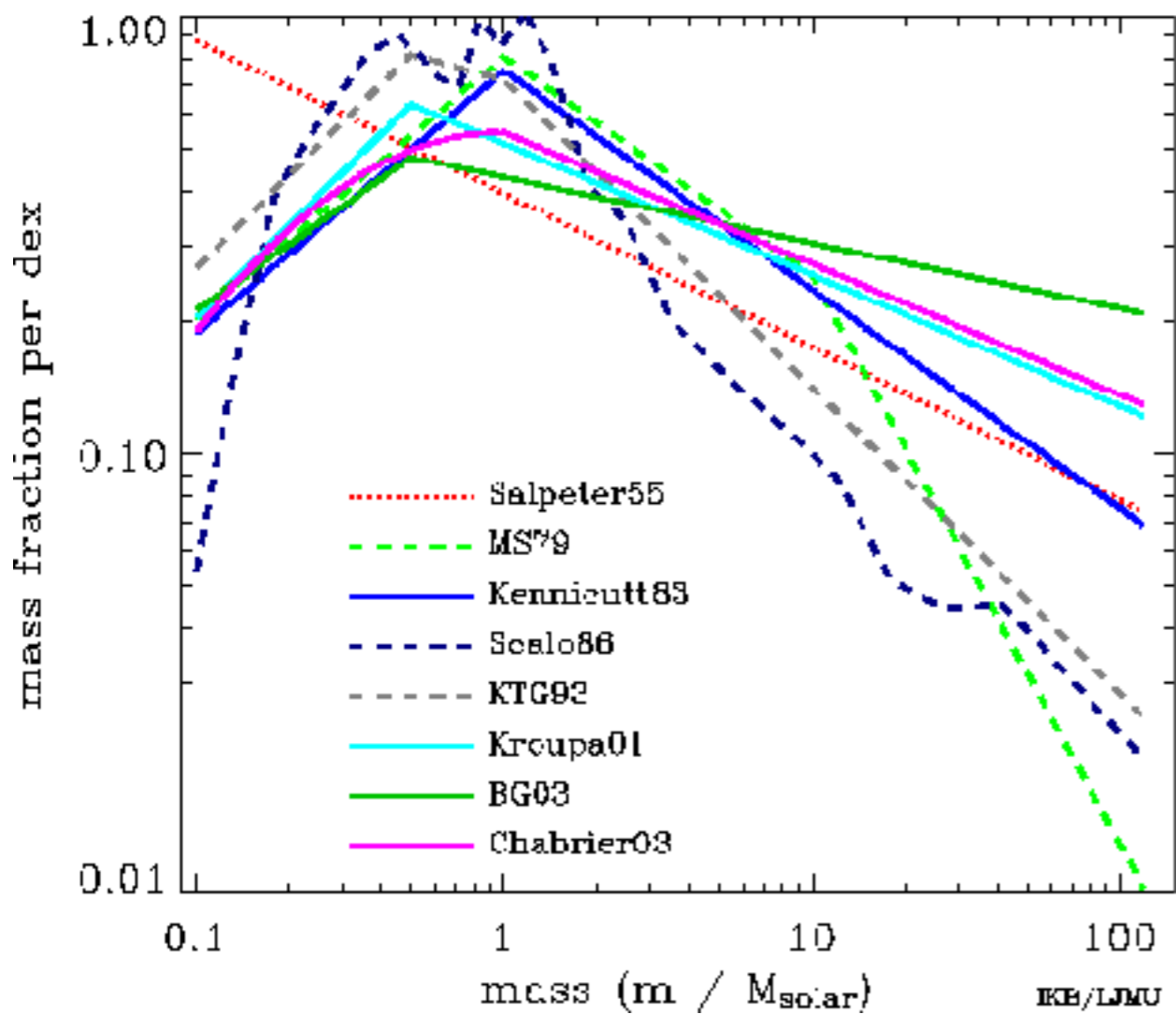


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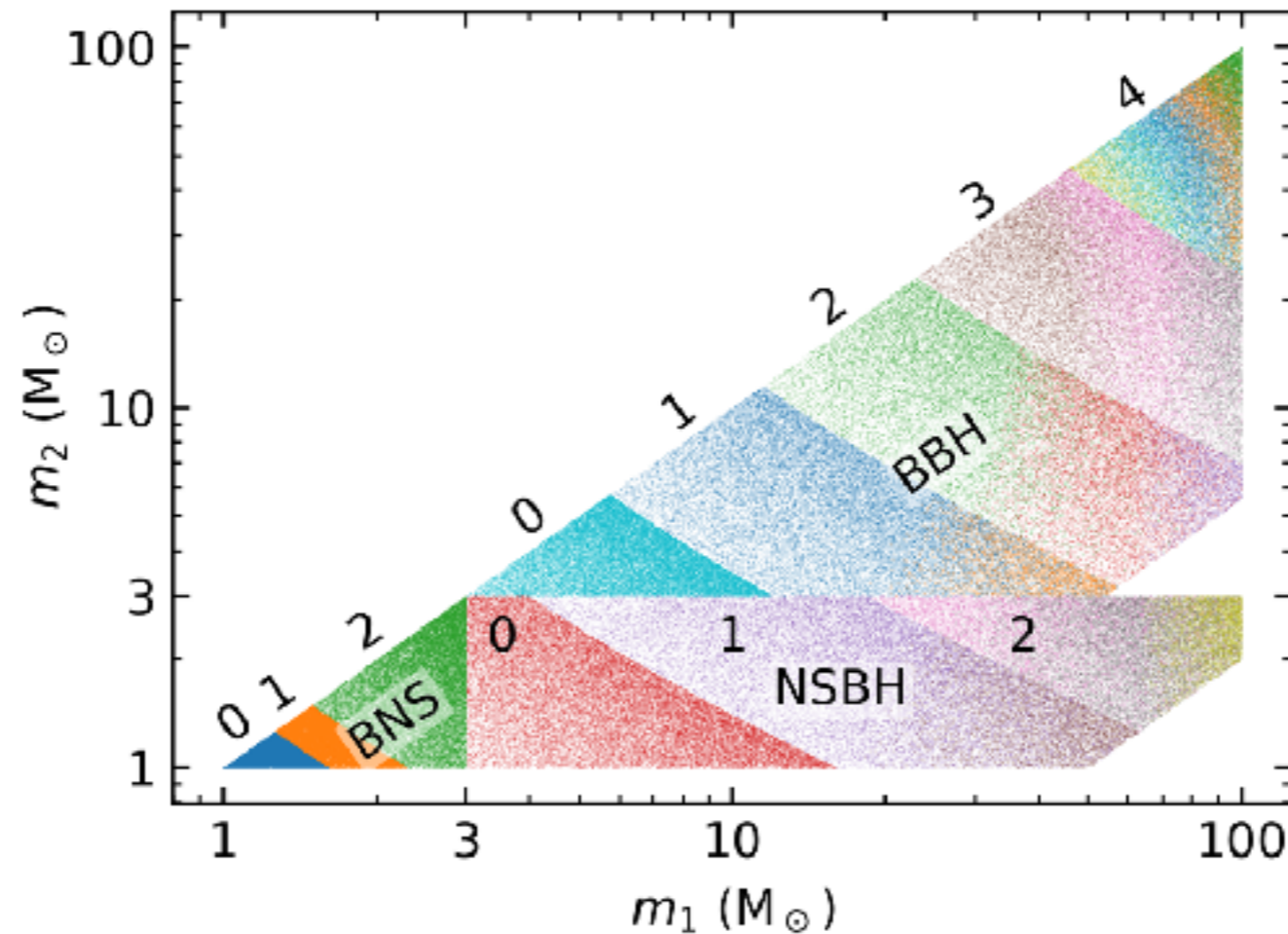
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# Solution: Split Template Banks



Bank	$m_1 (M_\odot)$	$m_2 (M_\odot)$	$\mathcal{M} (M_\odot)$	$q_{\min}$	$ \chi_{1,2} _{\max}$	$\zeta$	$\Delta c_\alpha$	$N_{\text{subbanks}}$	$d_{\text{subbanks}}$	$L_{\max, \text{subbanks}}$	$N_{\text{templates}}$
BNS 0			$< 1.1$					1	2	777.0	48 806
BNS 1	(1, 3)	(1, 3)	(1.1, 1.3)	—	0.99	0.05	0.55	1	2	434.3	23 856
BNS 2			$> 1.3$					1	2	824.6	43 781
NSBH 0			$< 3$					1	4	753.4	84 641
NSBH 1	(3, 100)	(1, 3)	(3, 6)	1/50	0.99	0.05	0.5	2	6, 6	259.5, 166.8	85 149
NSBH 2			$> 6$					3	5, 4, 4	87.5, 61.2, 9.4	15 628
BBH 0			$< 5$				0.55	1	3	270.6	8246
BBH 1			(5, 10)				0.55	2	4, 4	113.7, 50.0	4277
BBH 2	(3, 100)	(3, 100)	(10, 20)	1/18	0.99	0.05	0.5	3	3, 4, 3	41.5, 33.5, 10.3	1607
BBH 3			(20, 40)				0.45	3	2, 2, 2	11.7, 10.8, 4.9	225
BBH 4			$> 40$				0.35	5	2, 2, 2, 1, 1	2.9, 2.0, 1.1, 0.7, 0.5	46
Total											316 262

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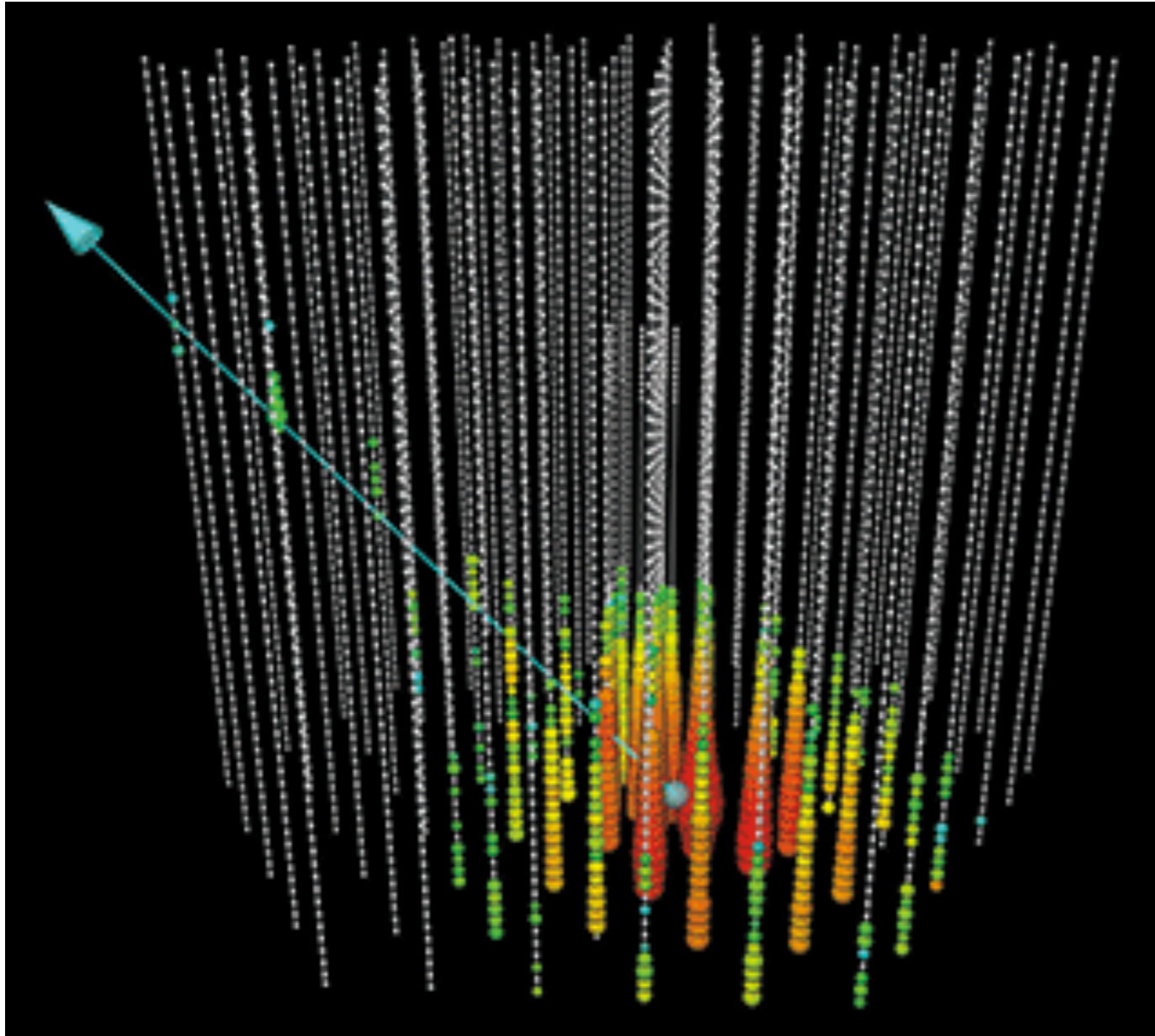
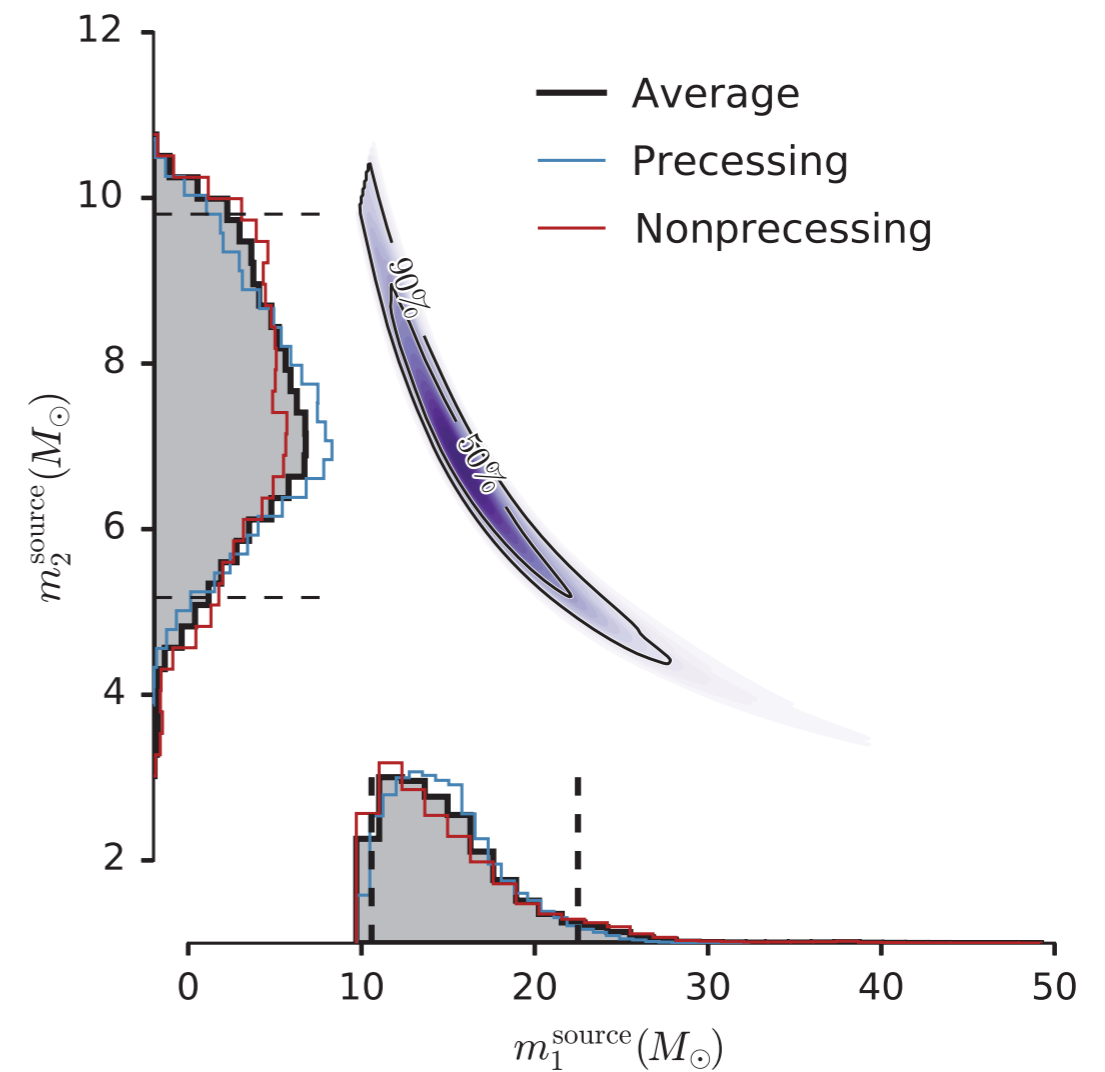
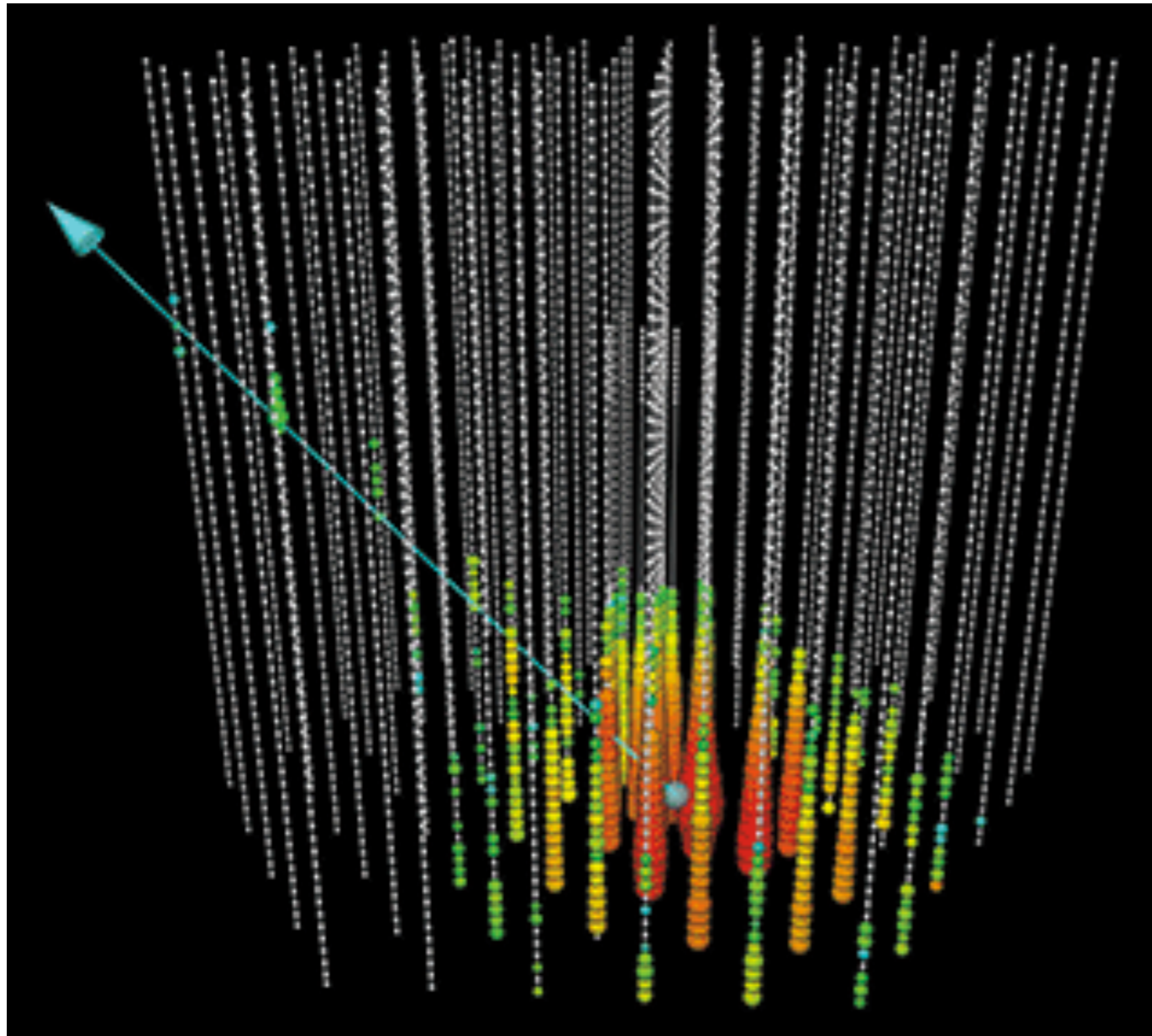


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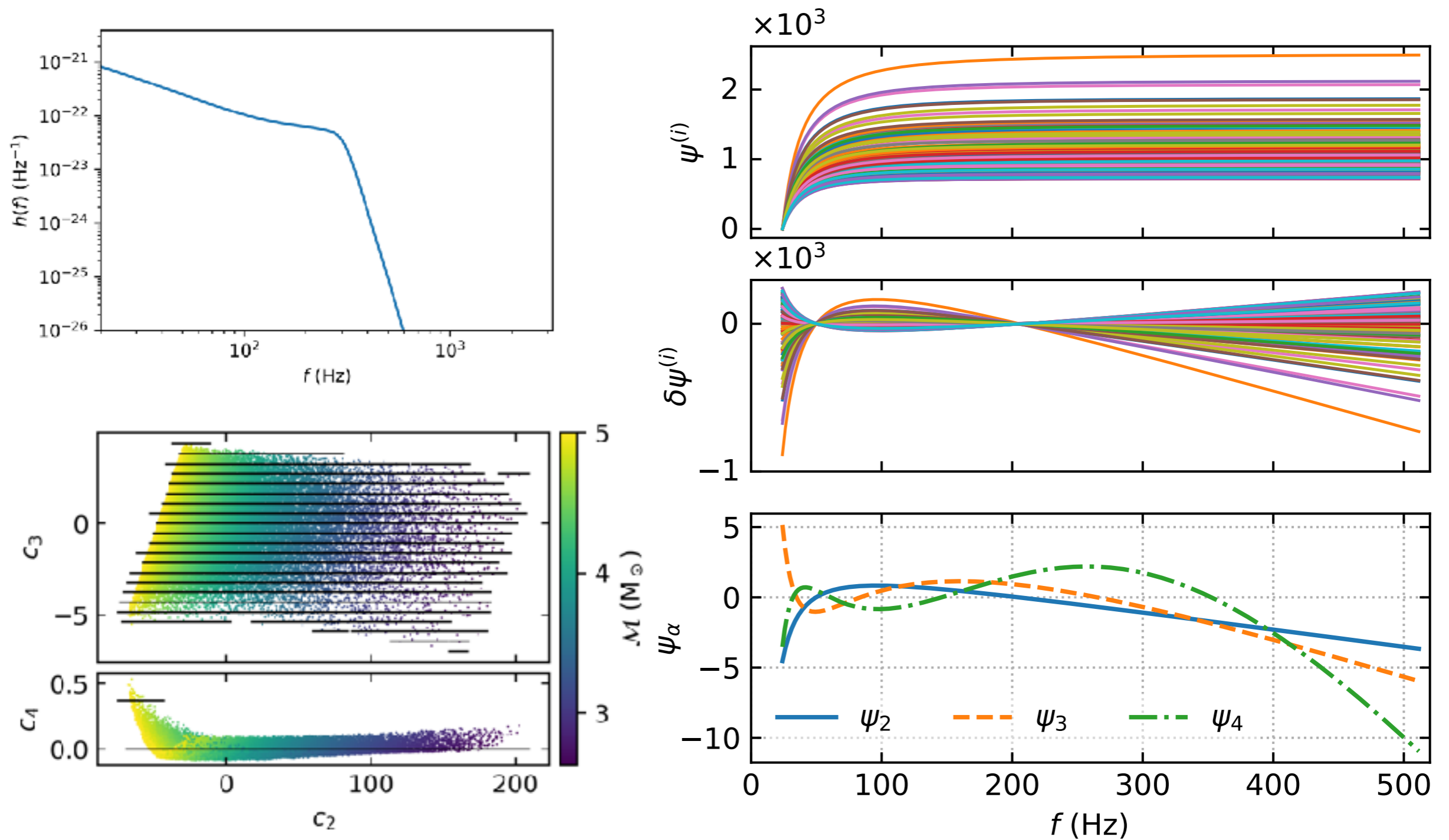
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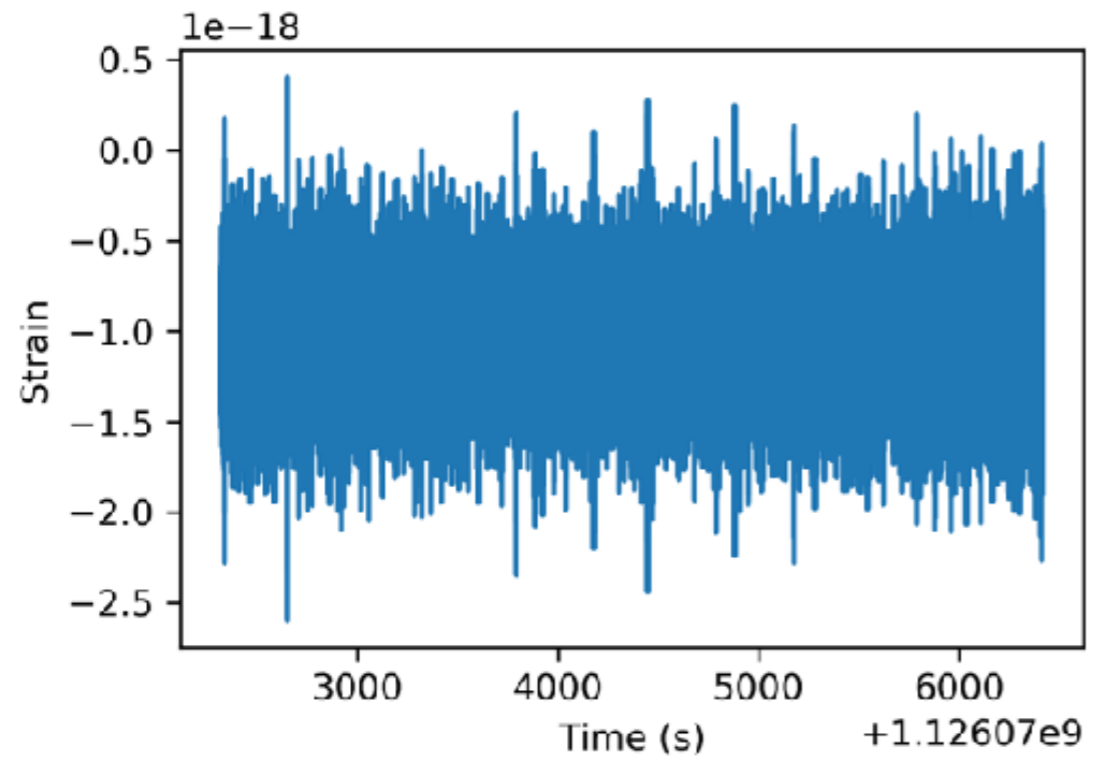




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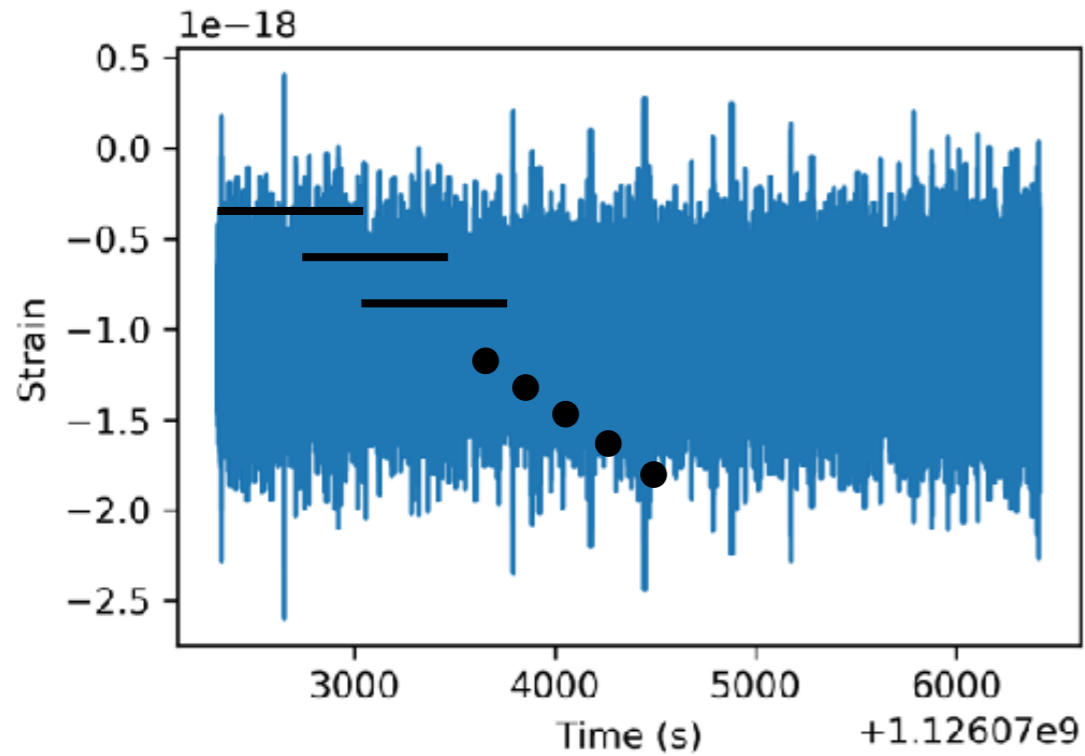


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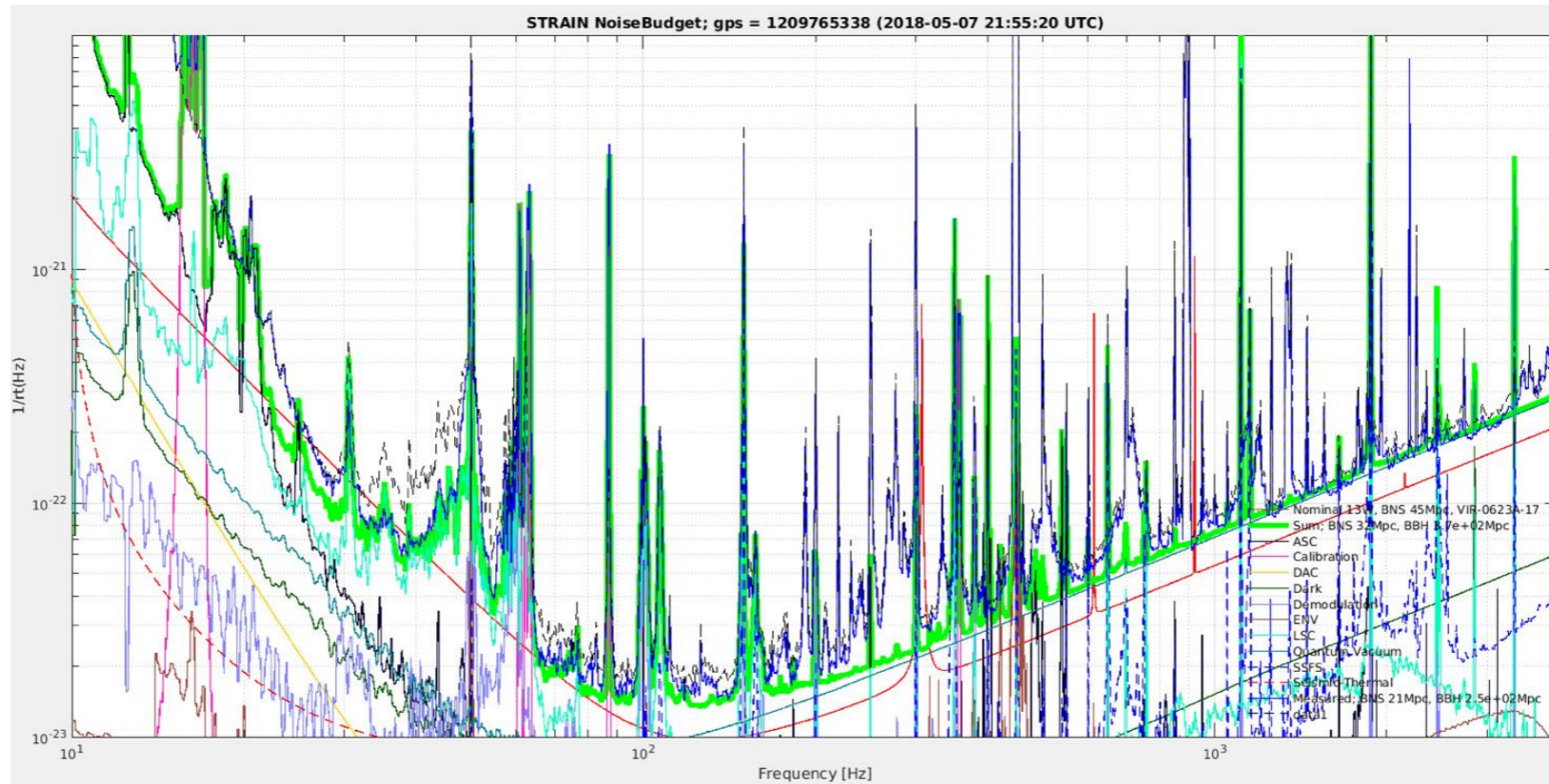


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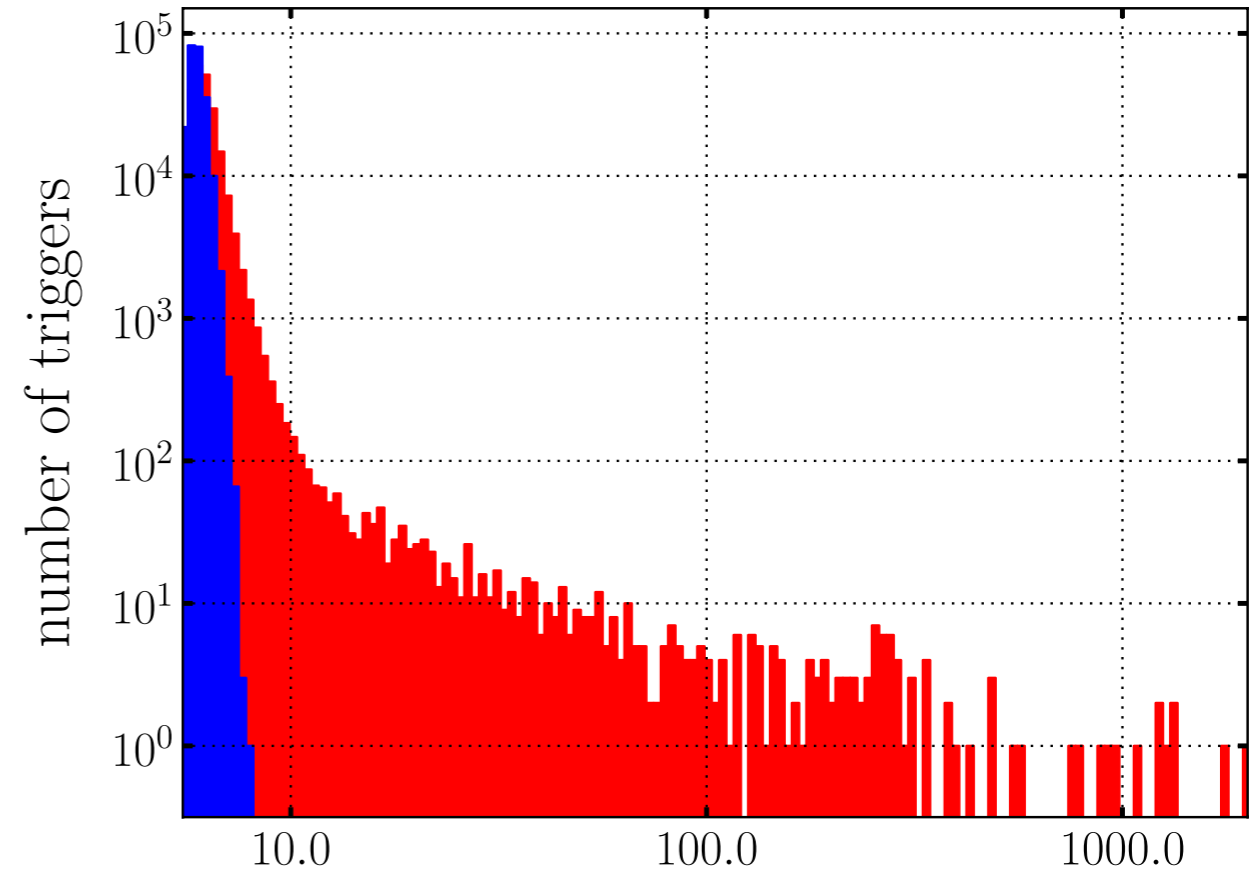
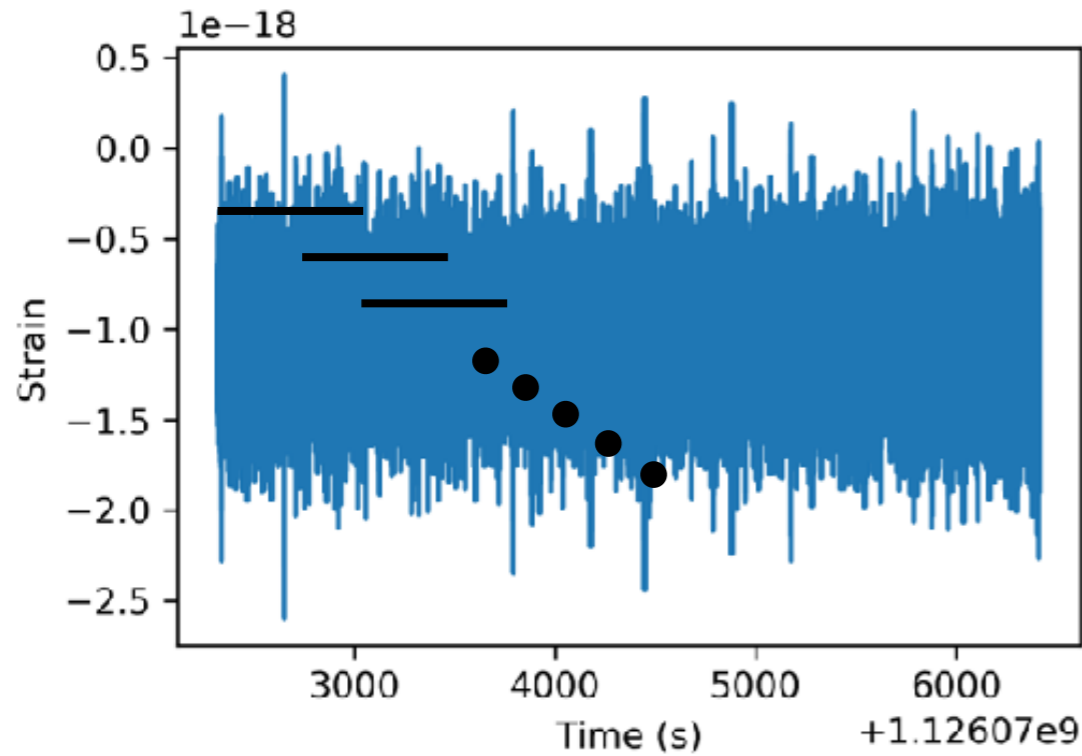
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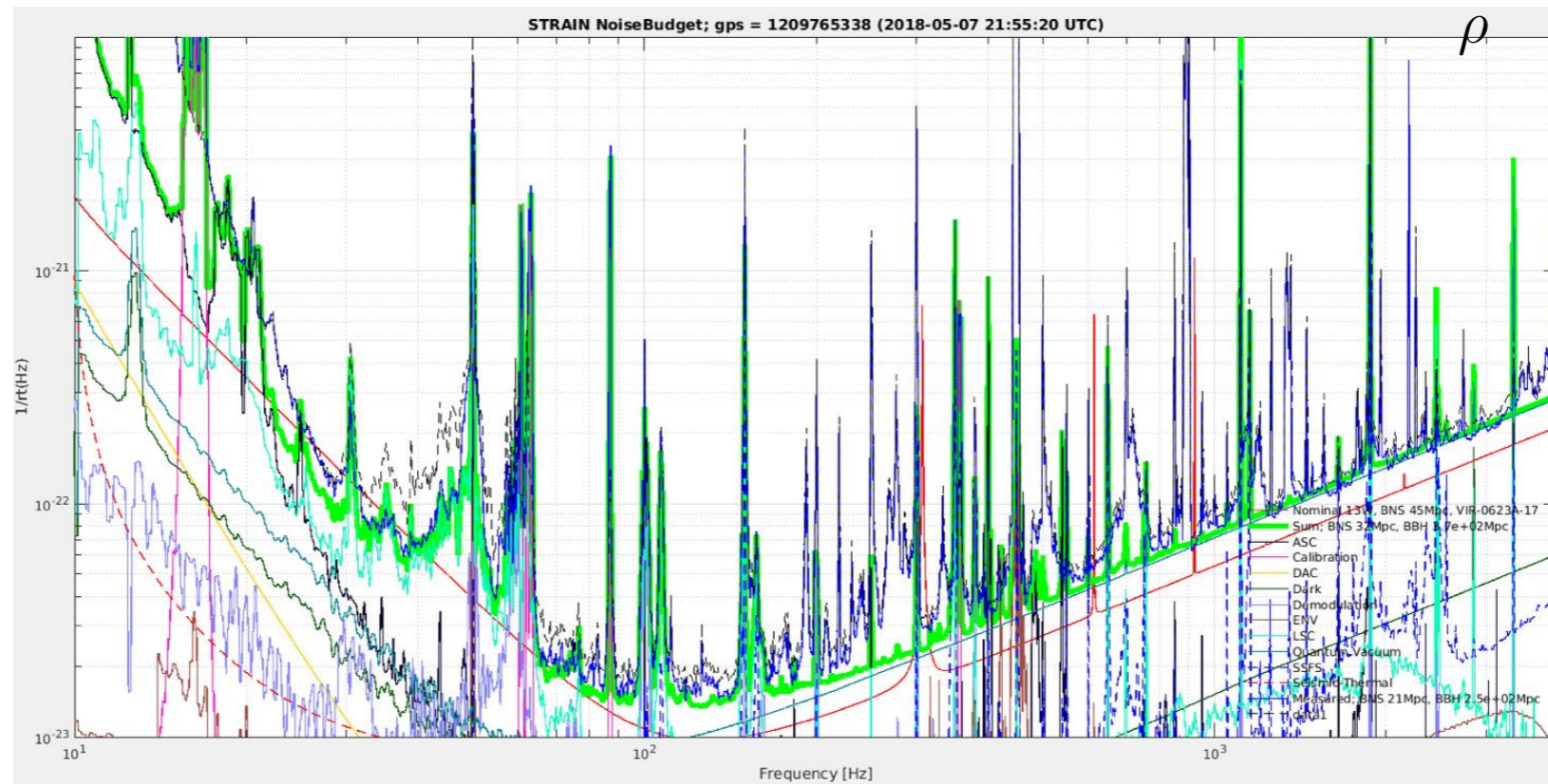
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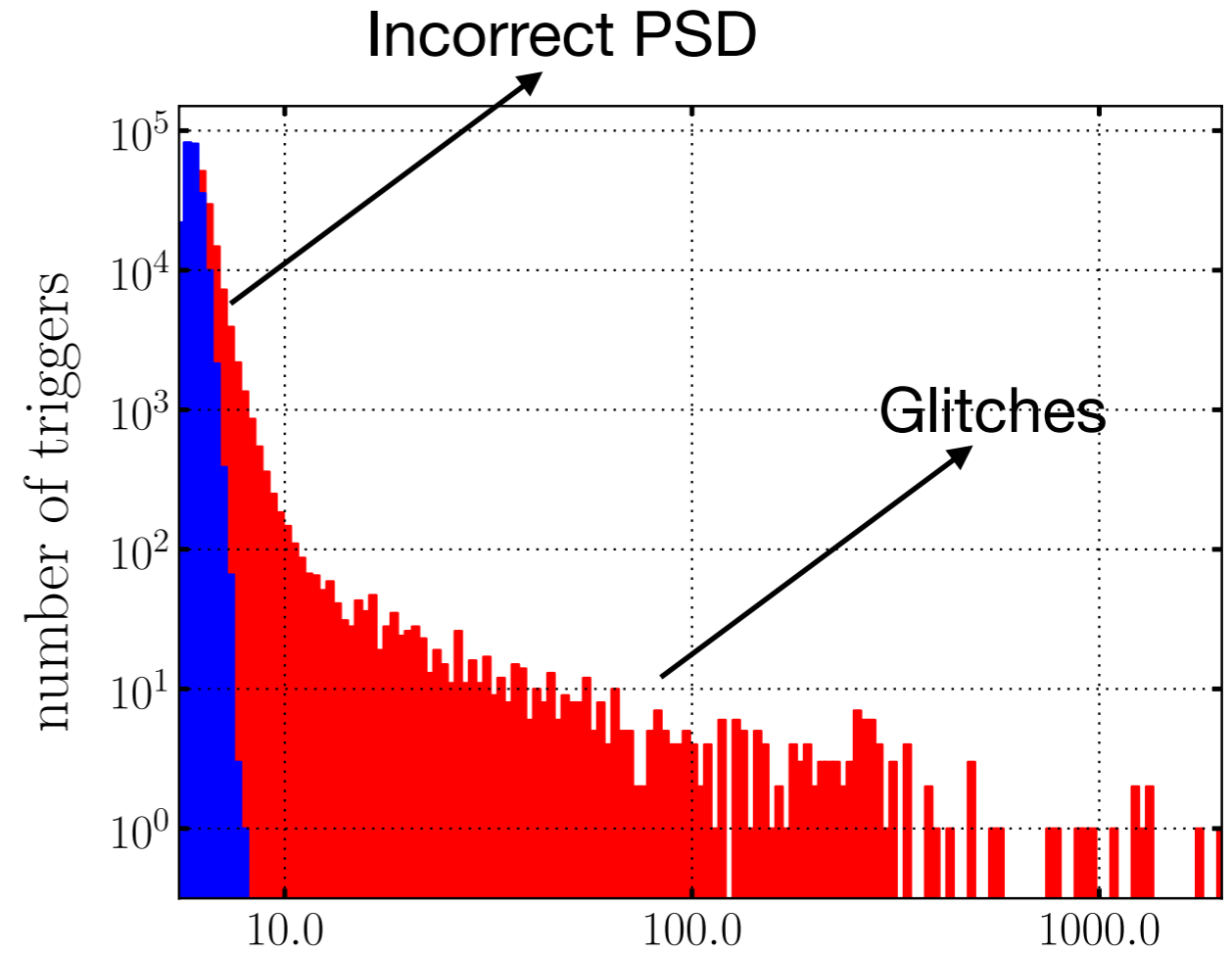
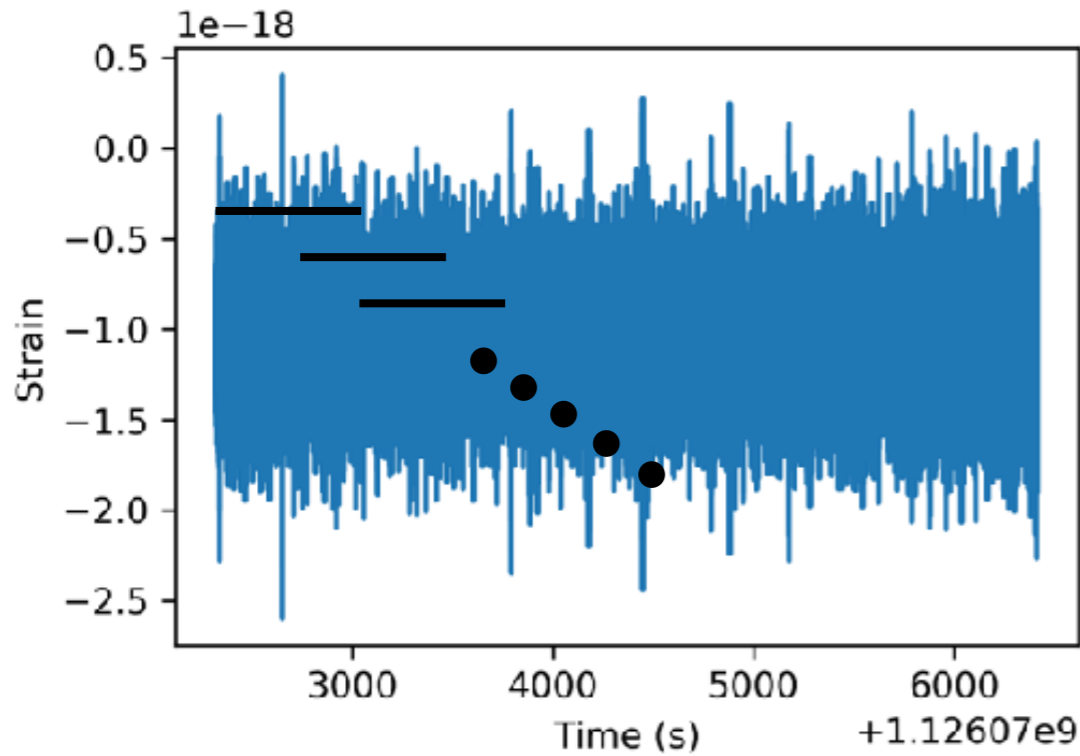
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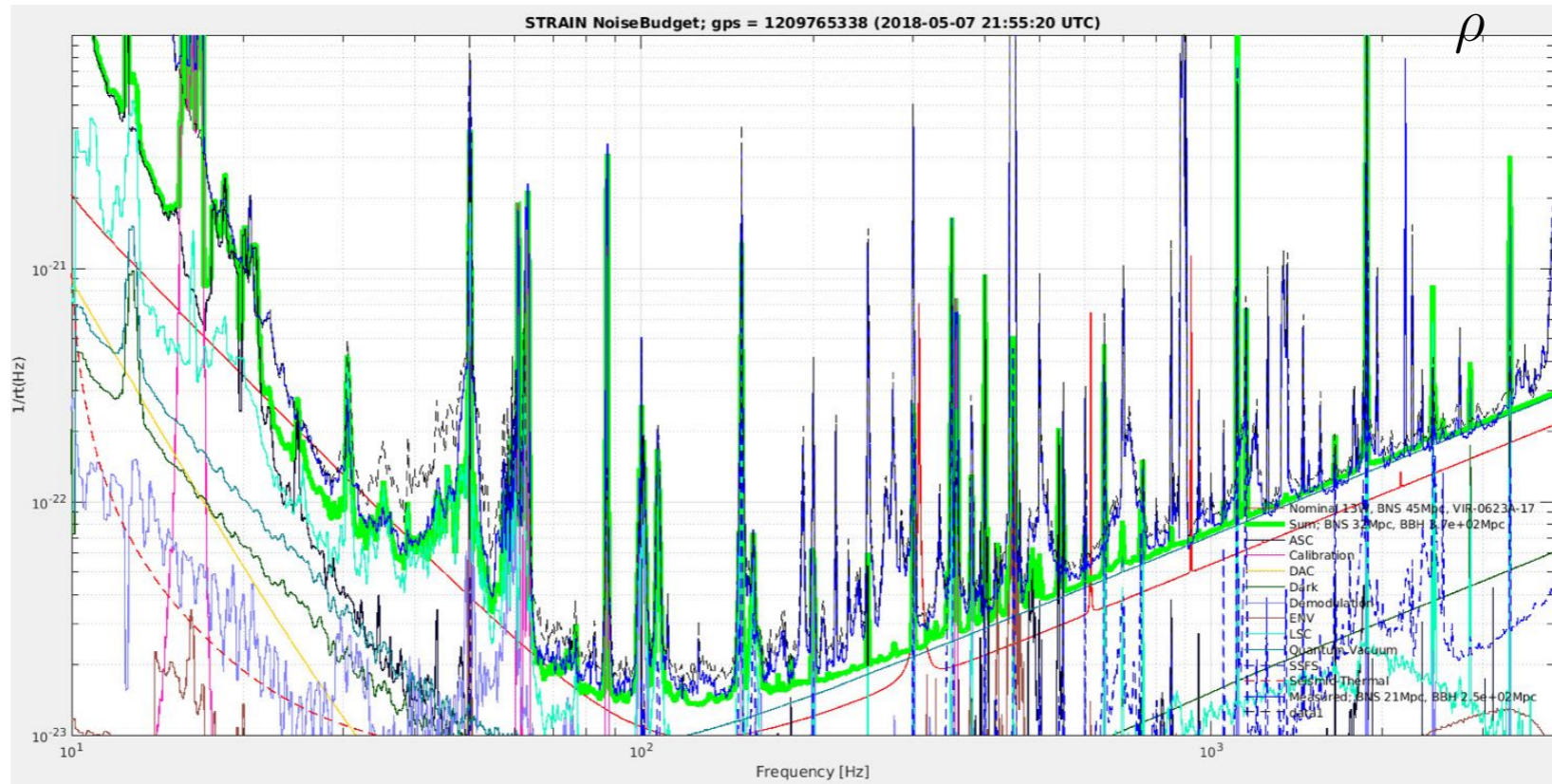
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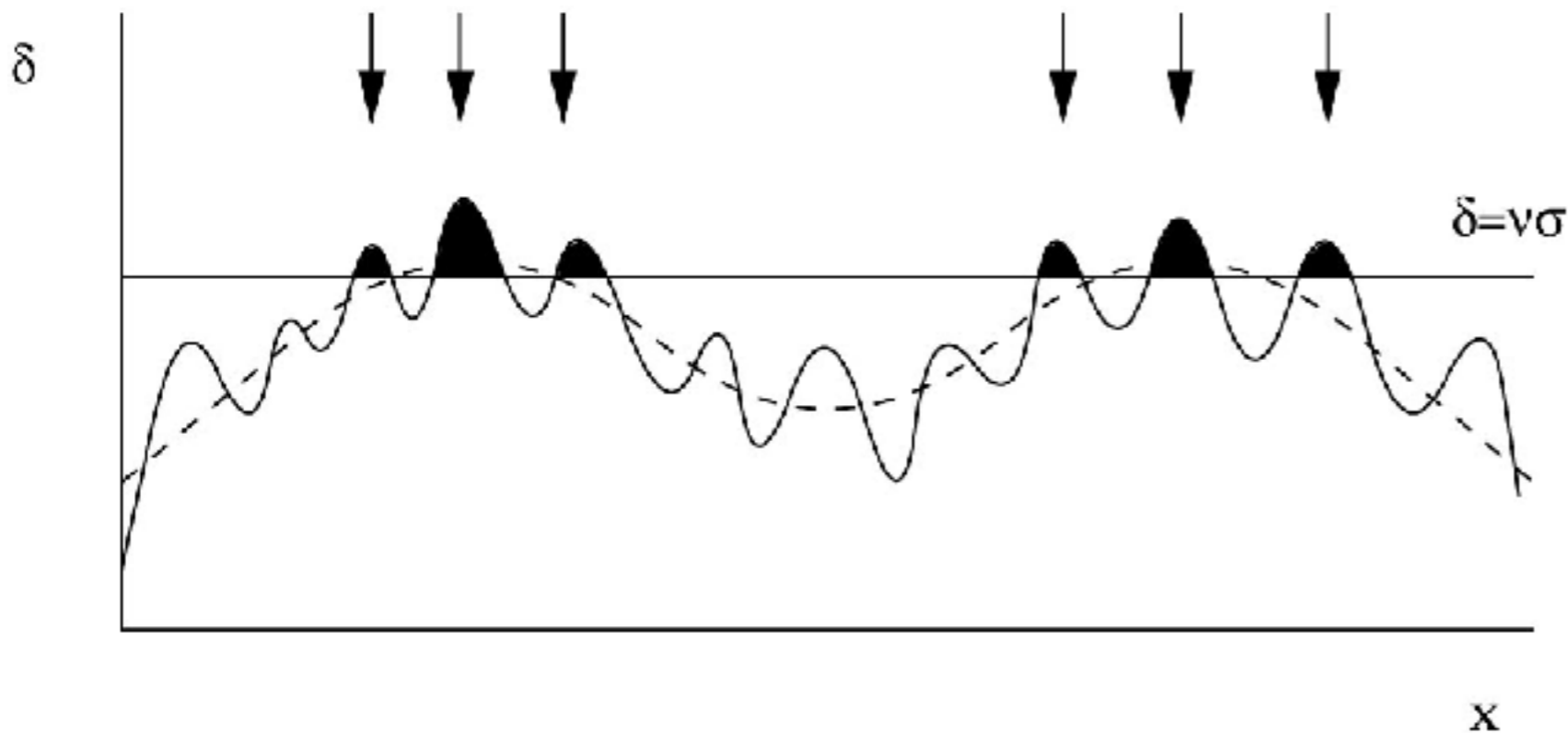
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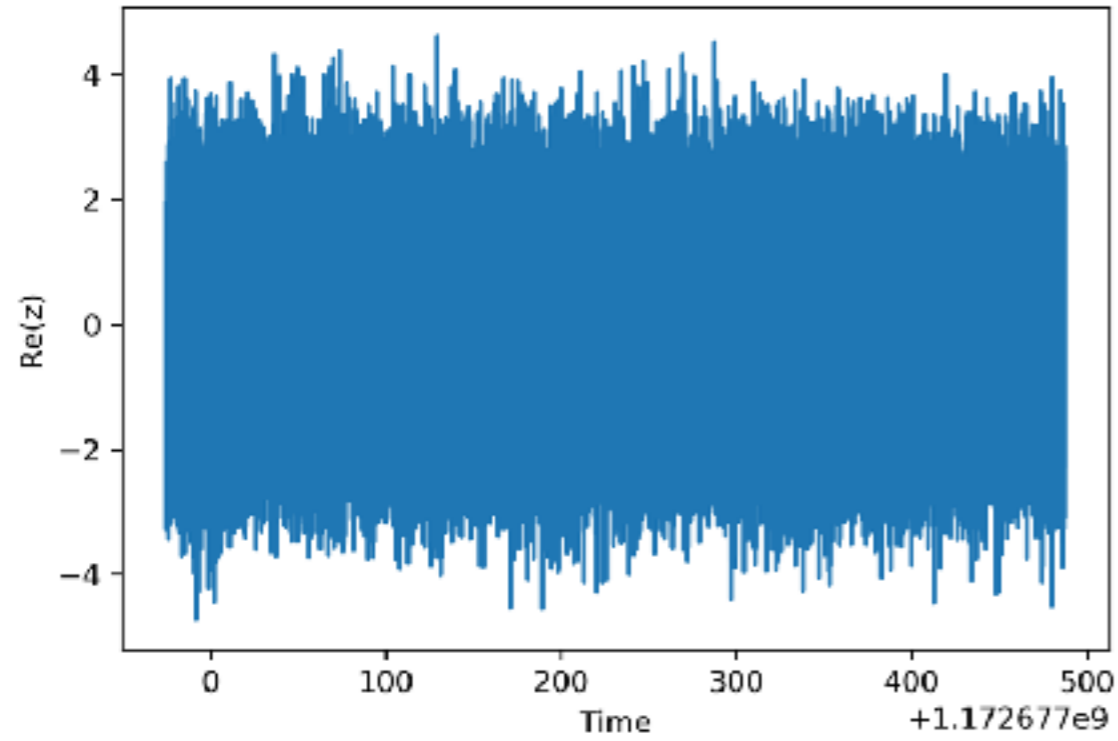


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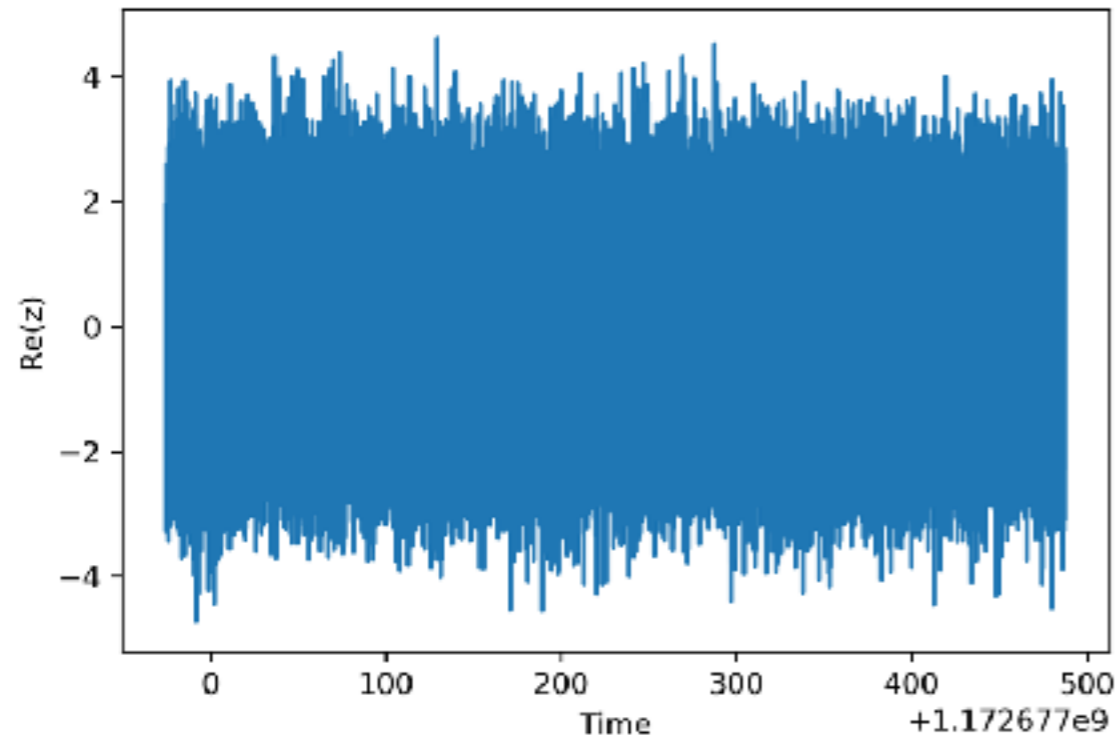
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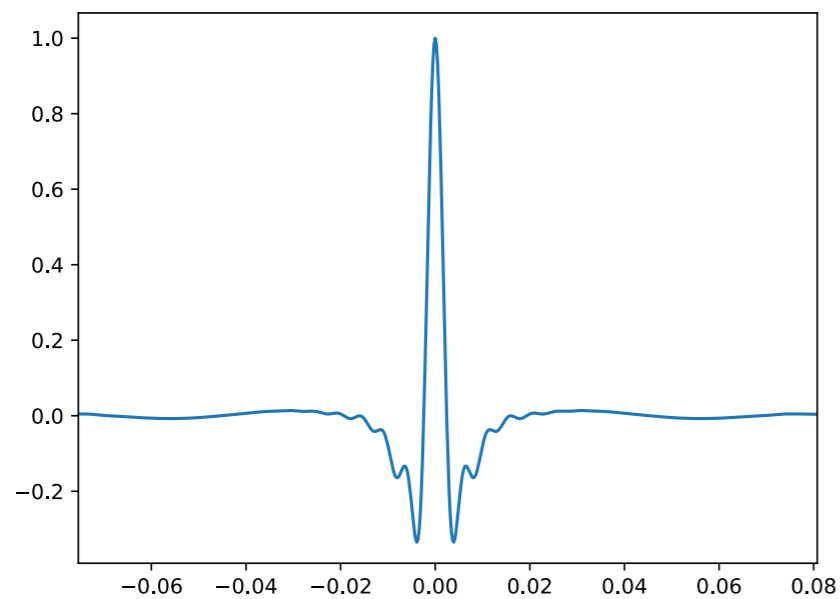
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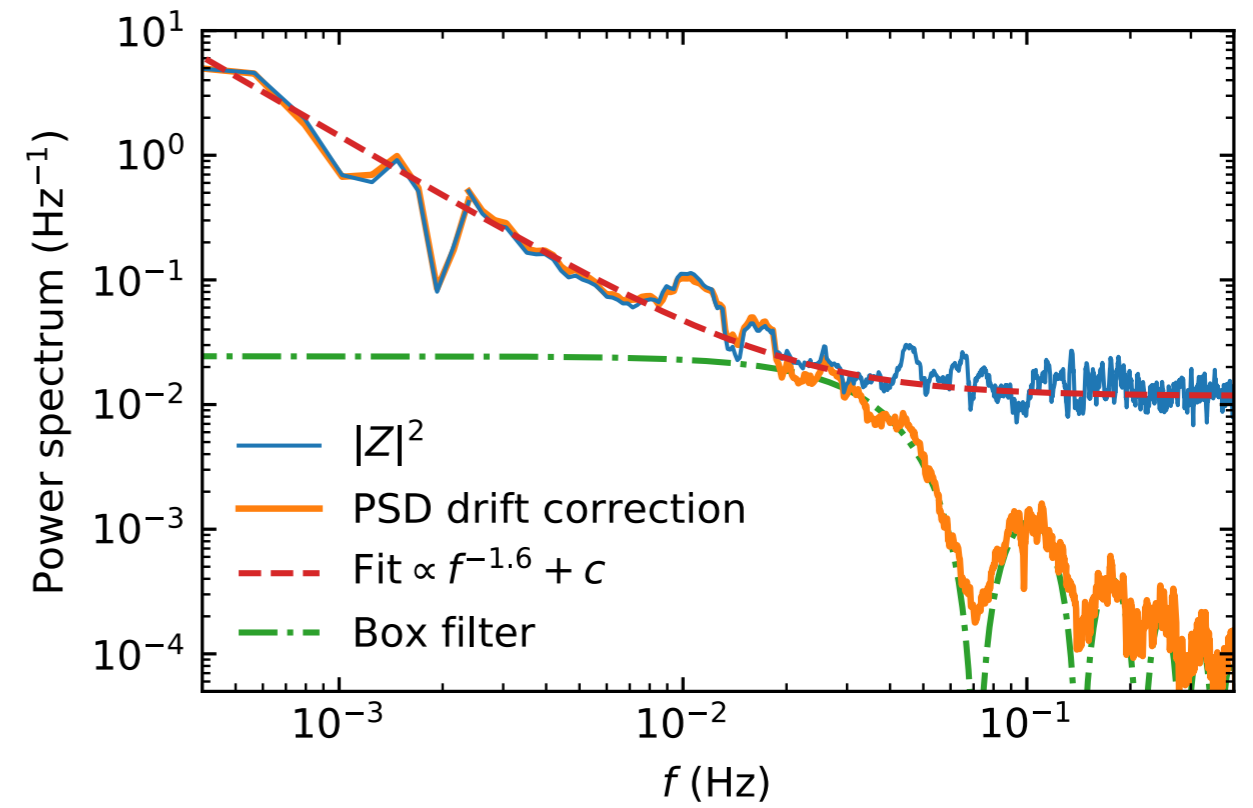
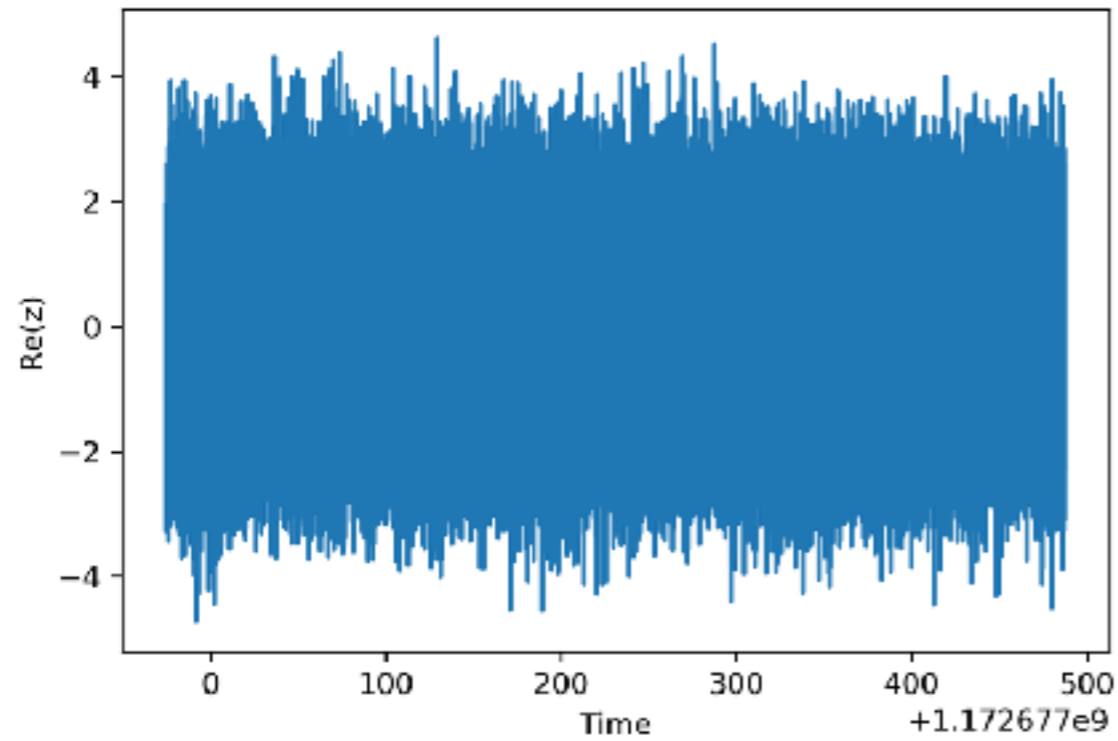
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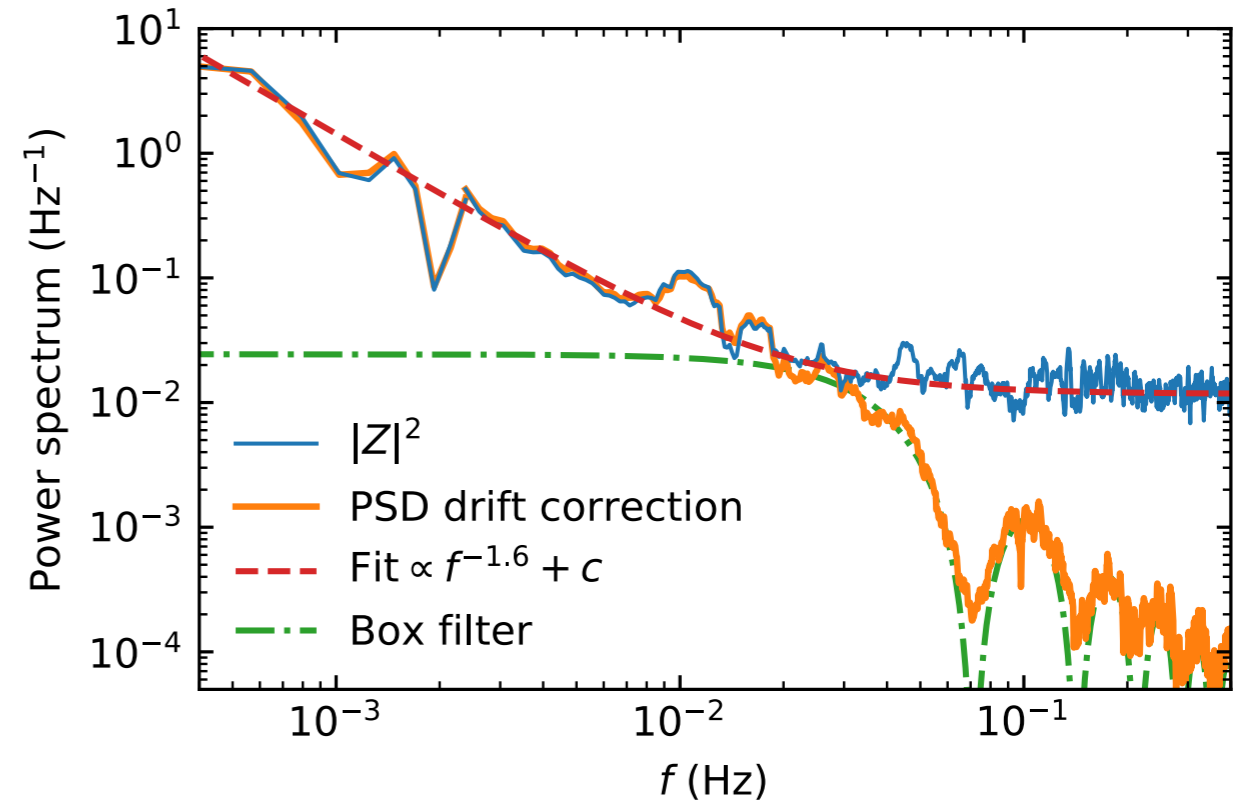
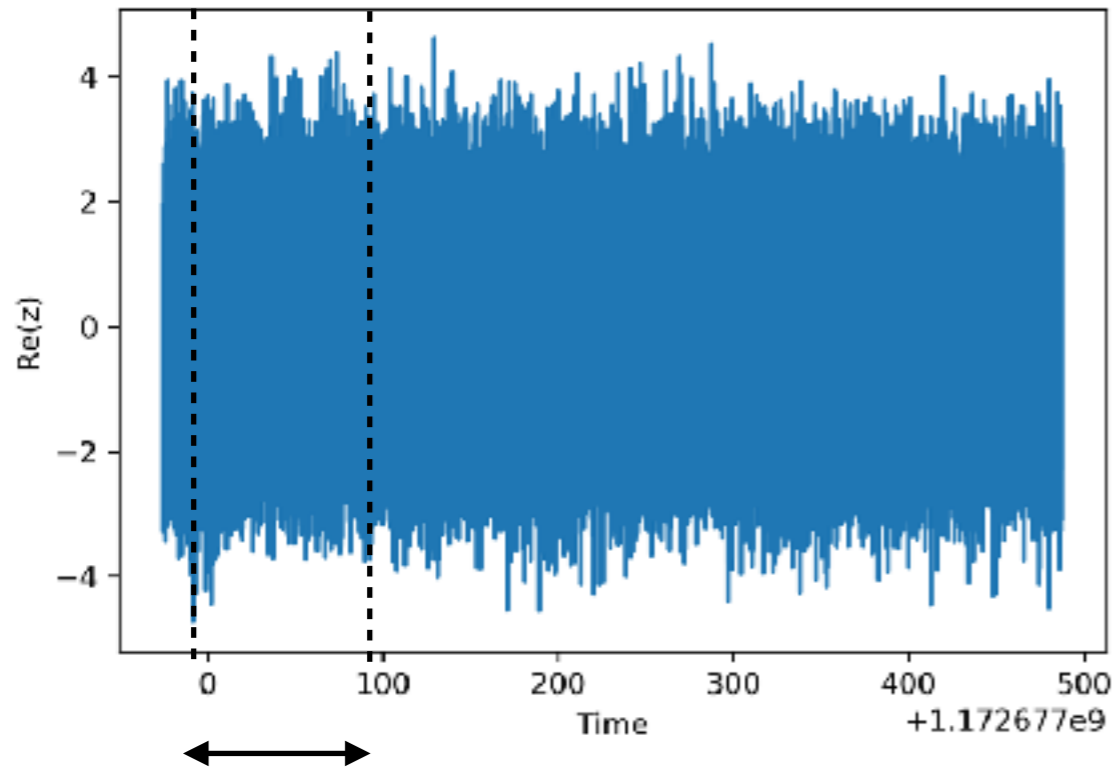
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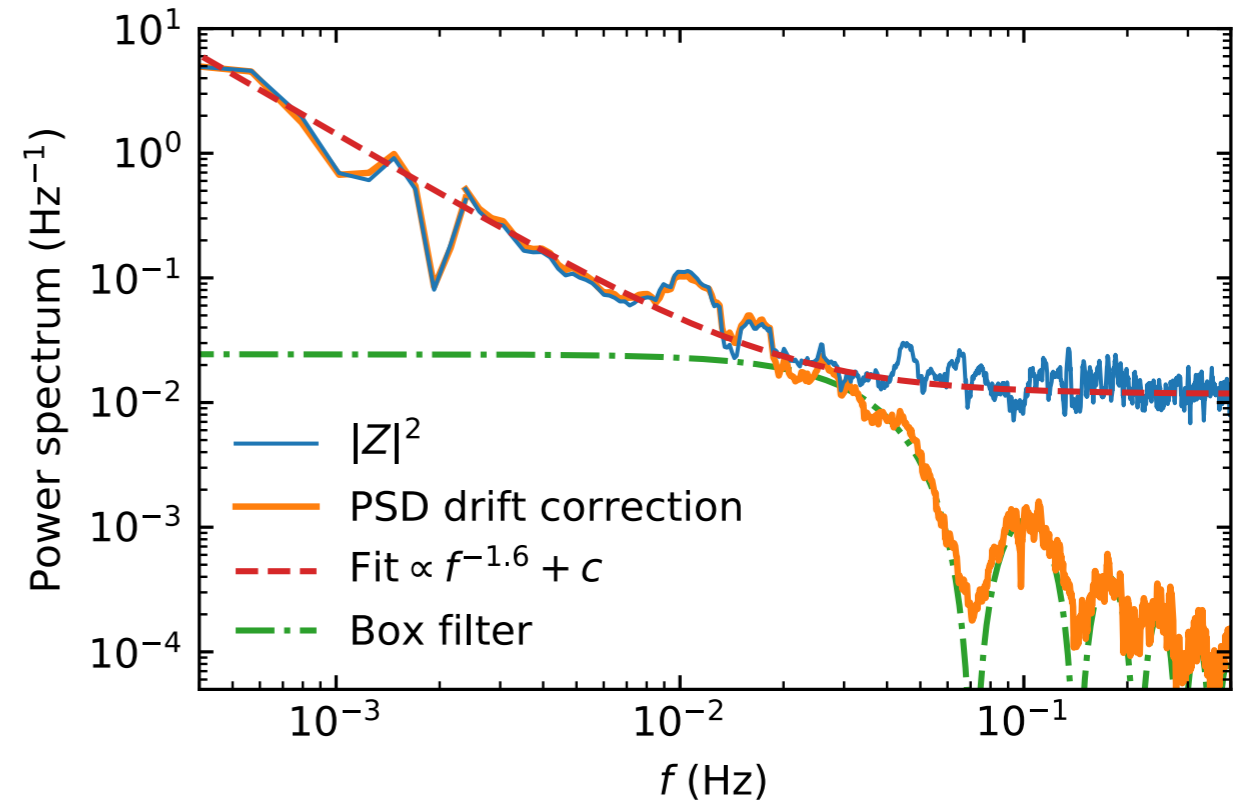
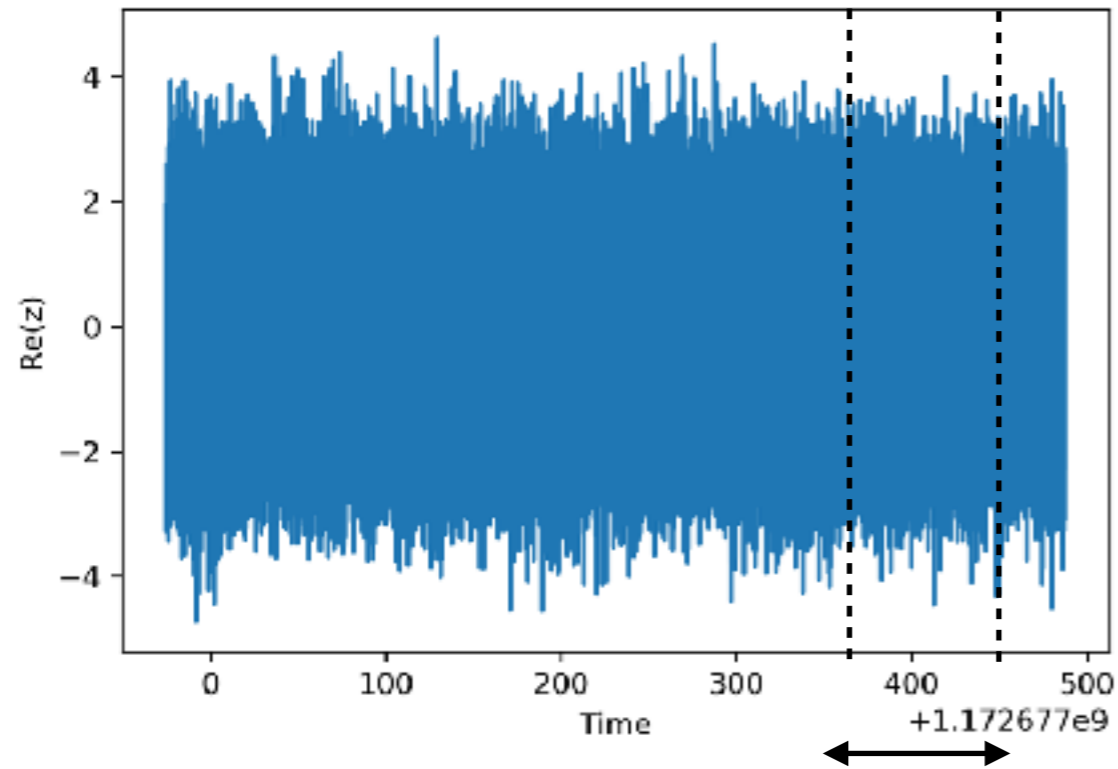
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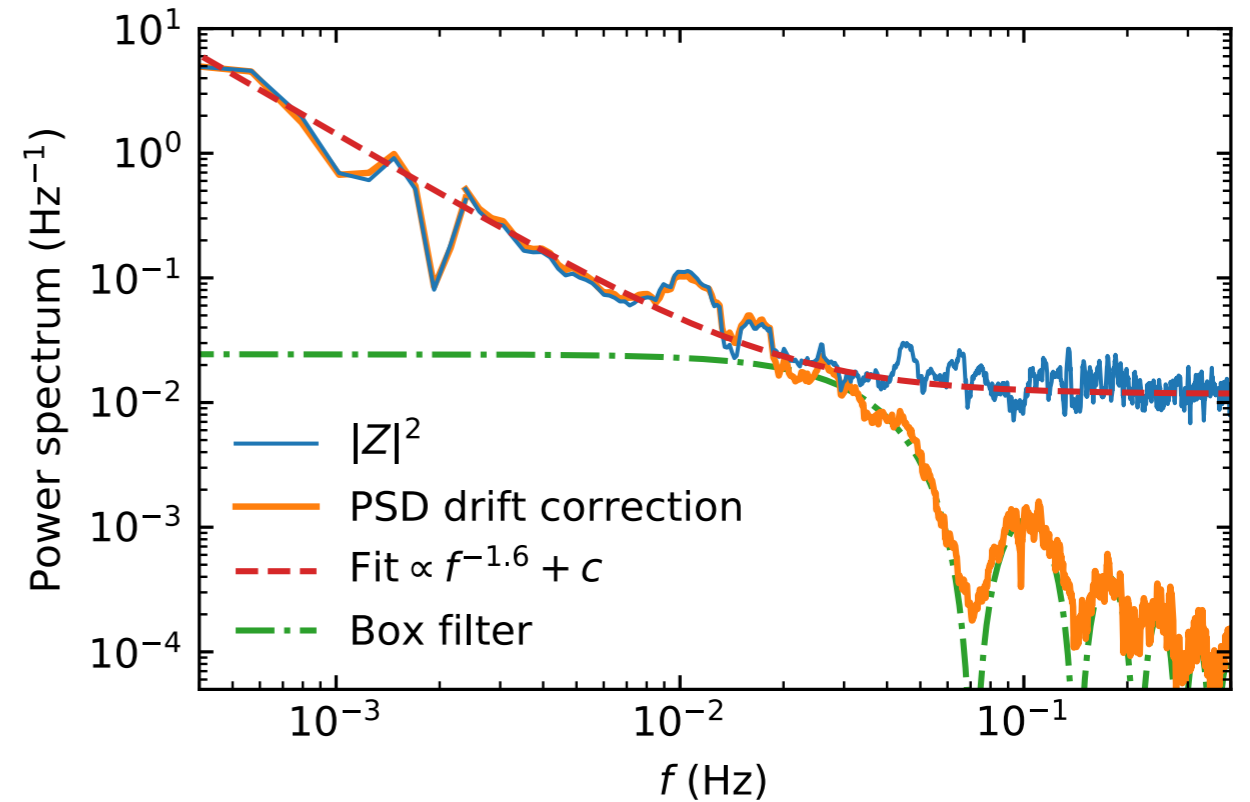
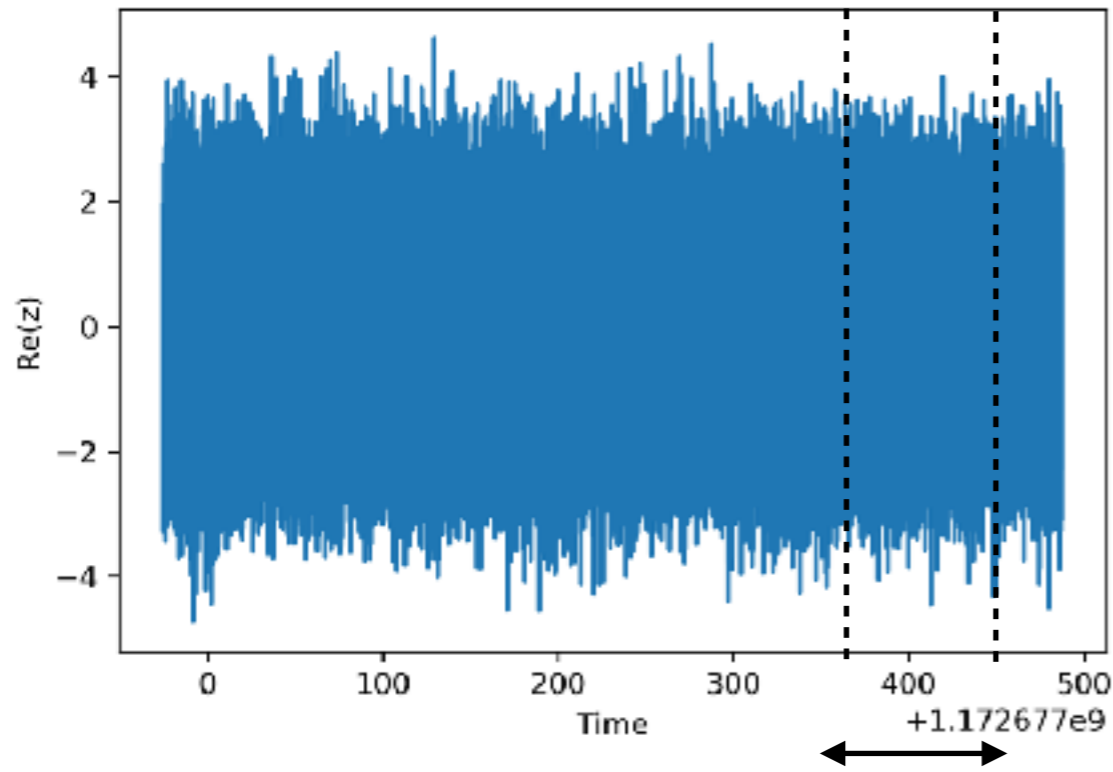
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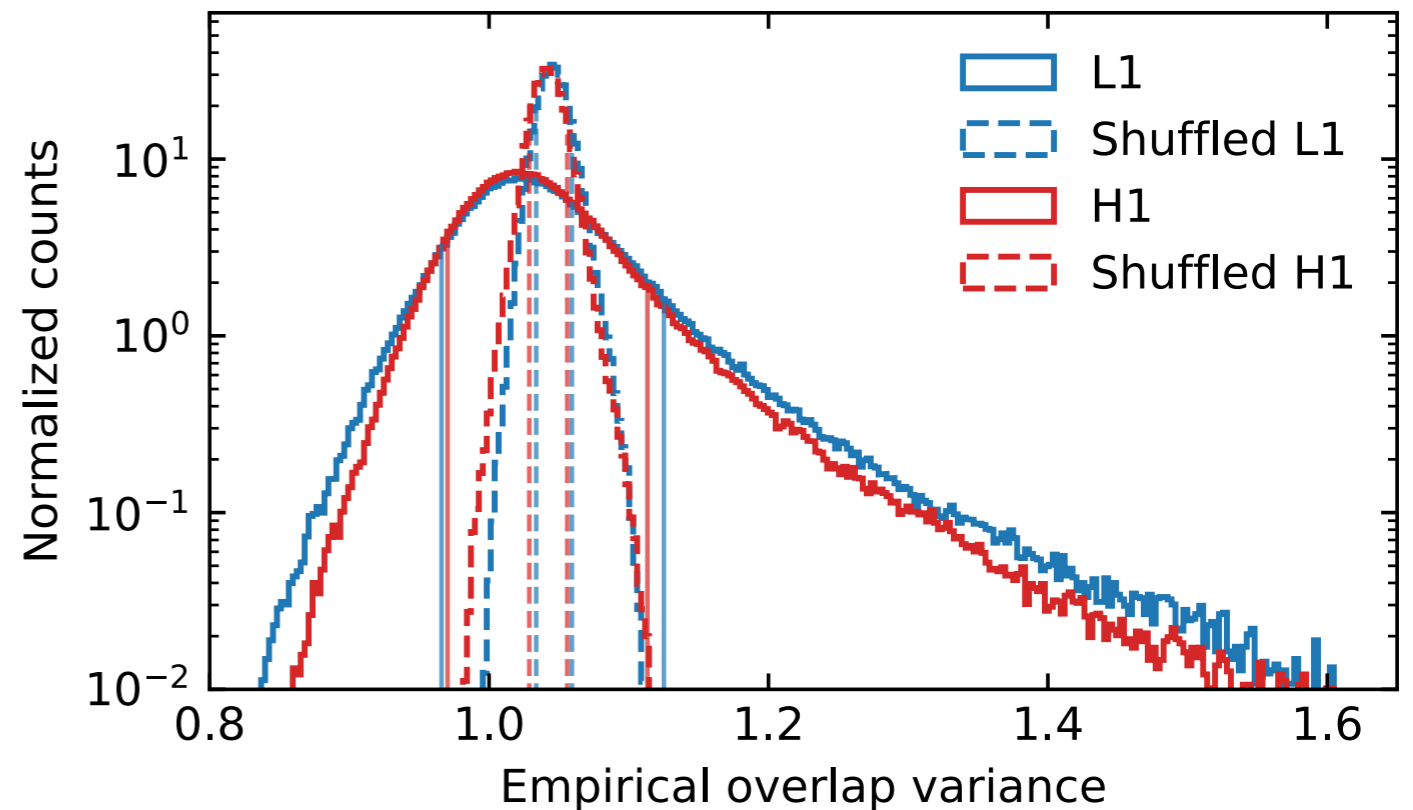
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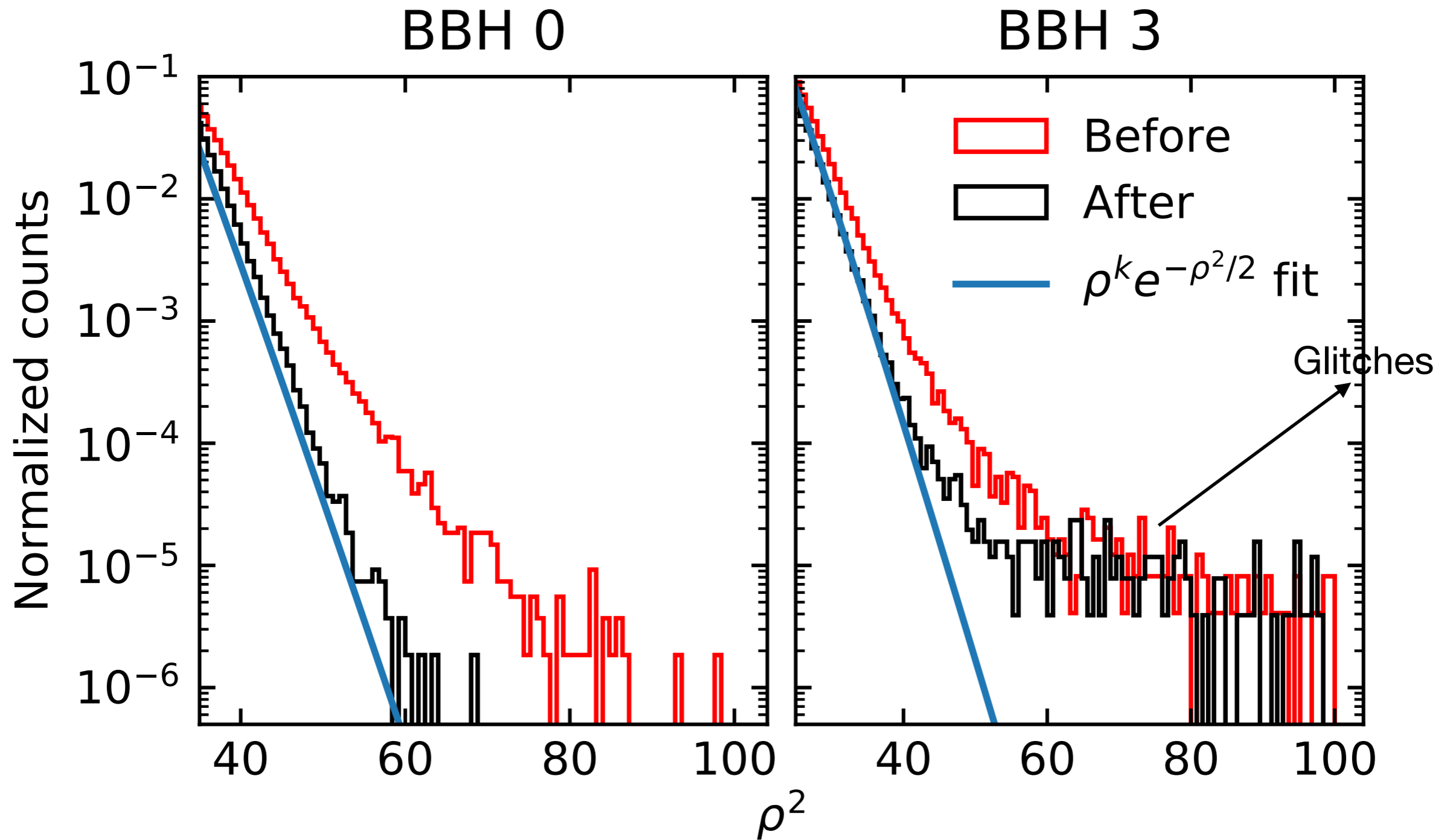


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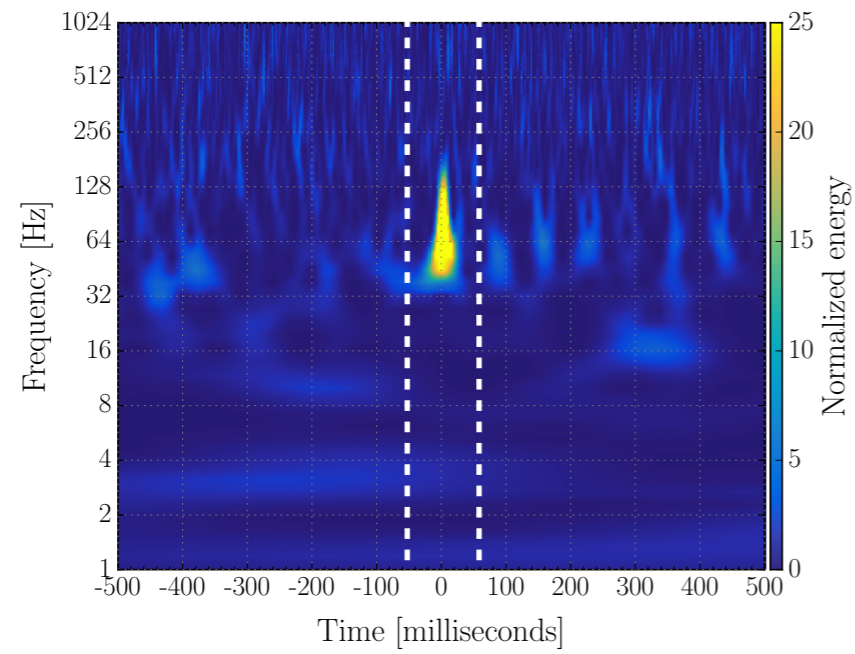
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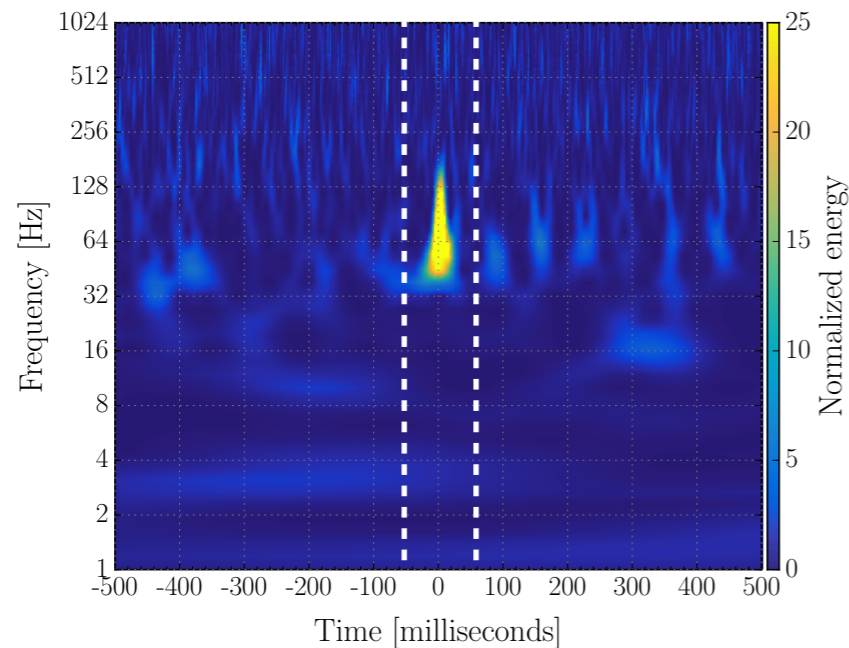
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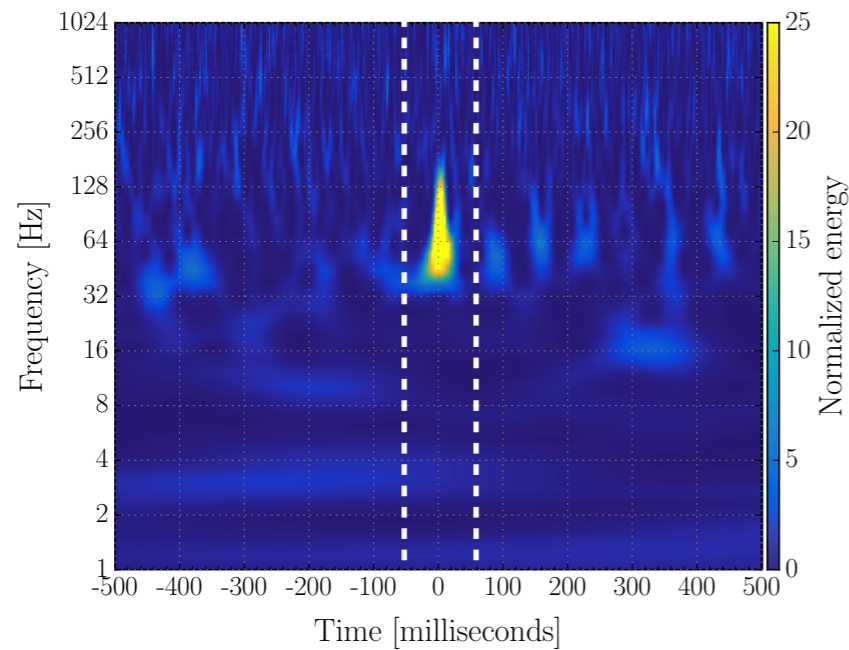
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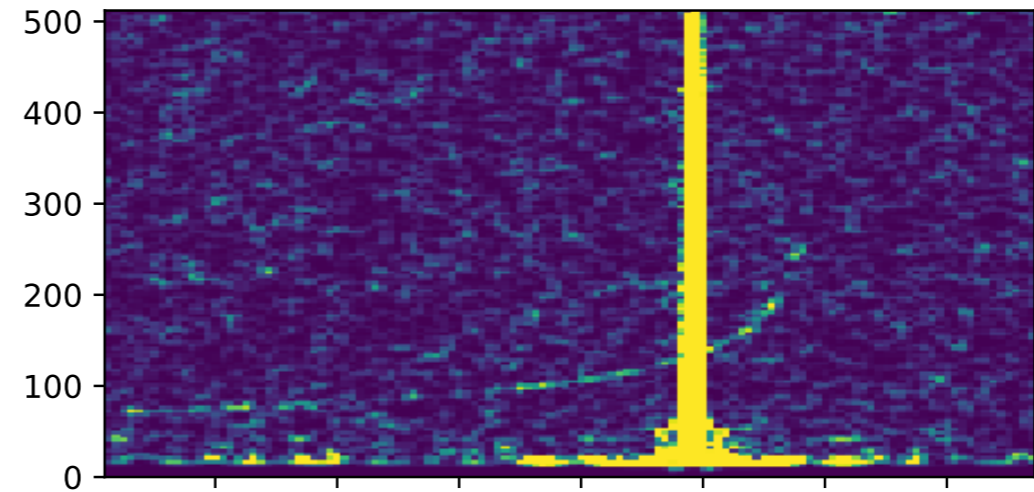
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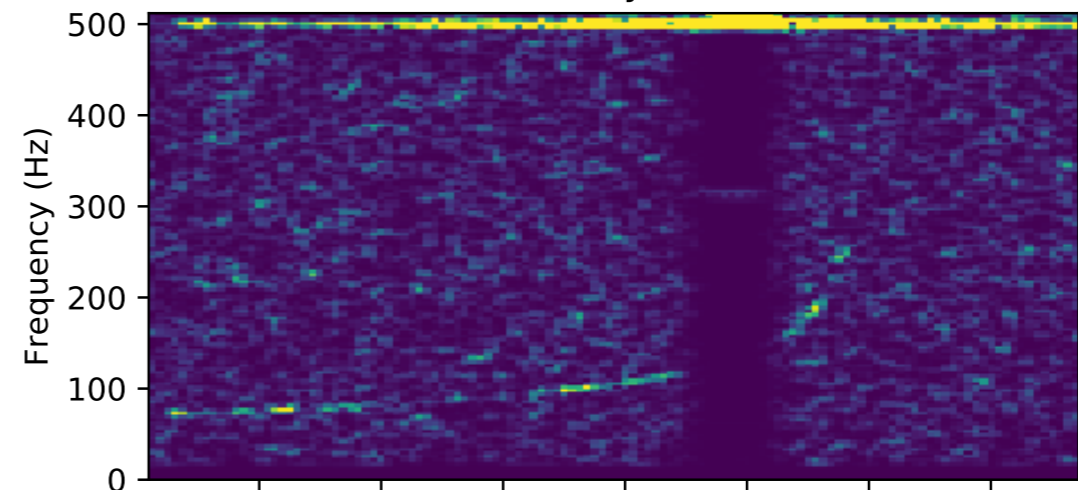


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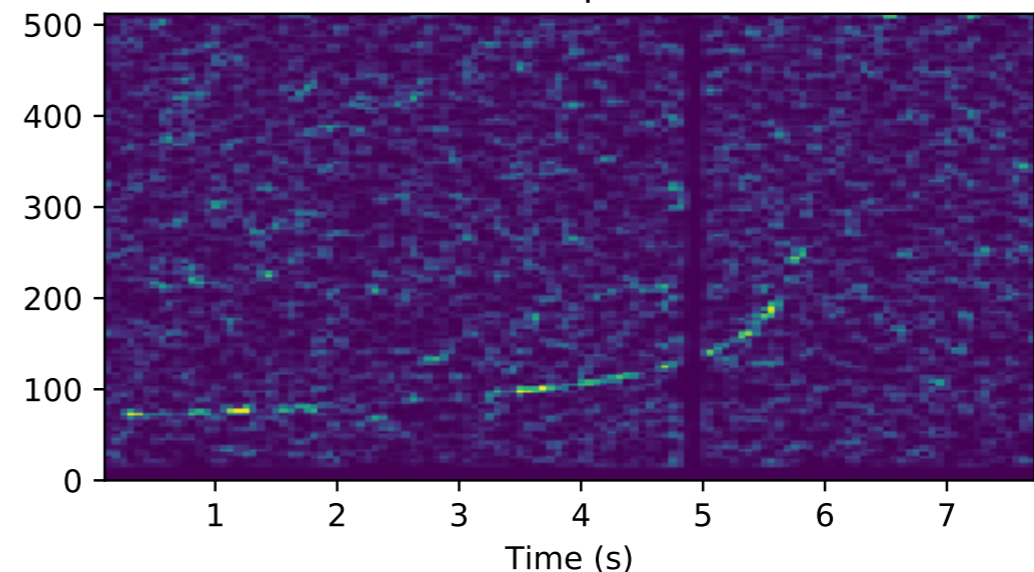
GW170817 original data



Inverse-Tukey windowed



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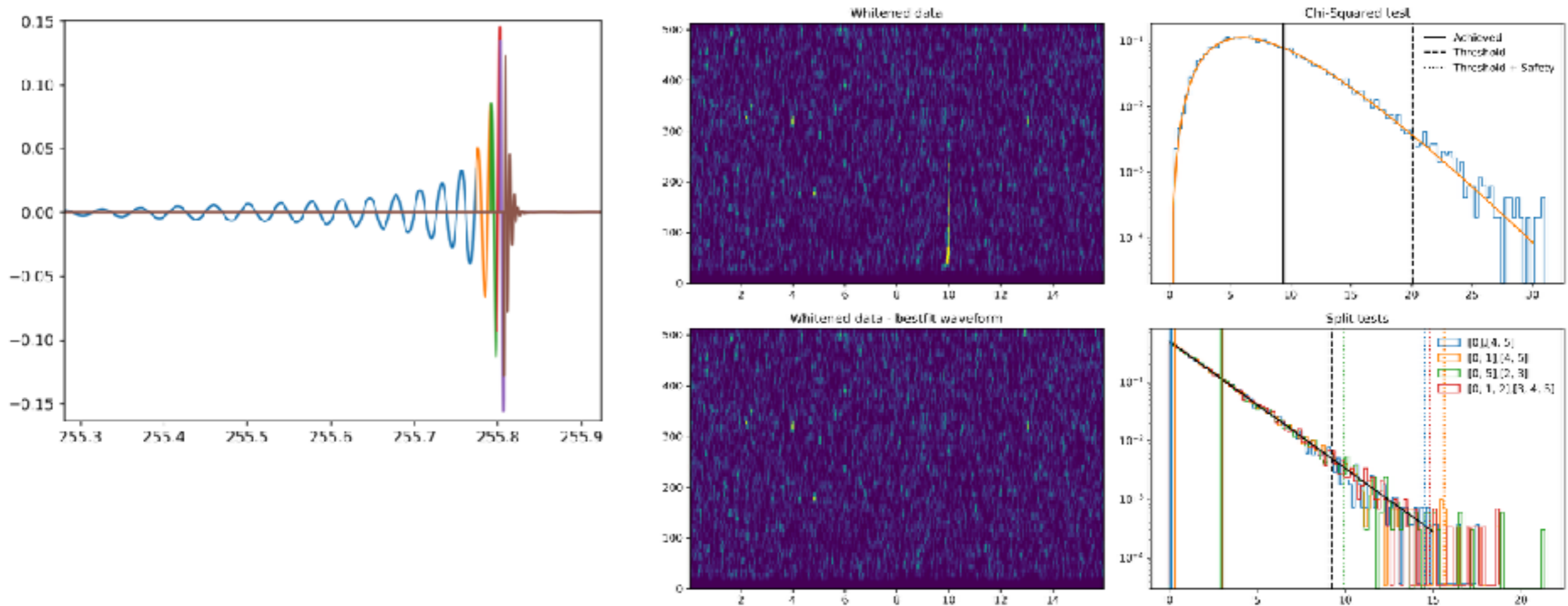


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Check for consistency between different parts of the overlaps, and veto on this

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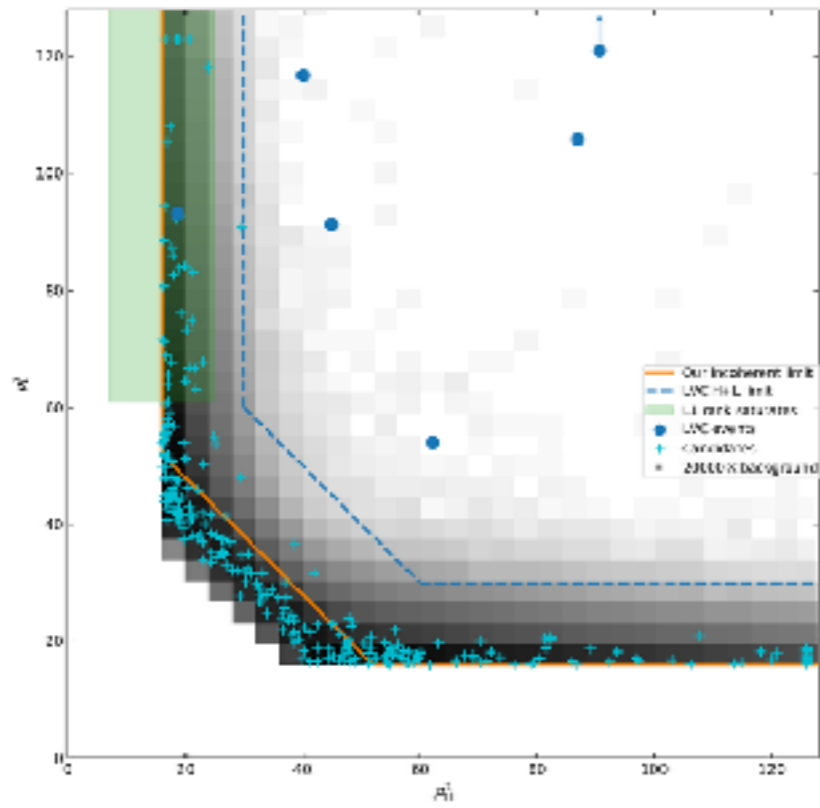
- False positive rate  $\sim 1\%$  on Gaussian noise
- Robust to
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  - B. Inefficiency in the template bank



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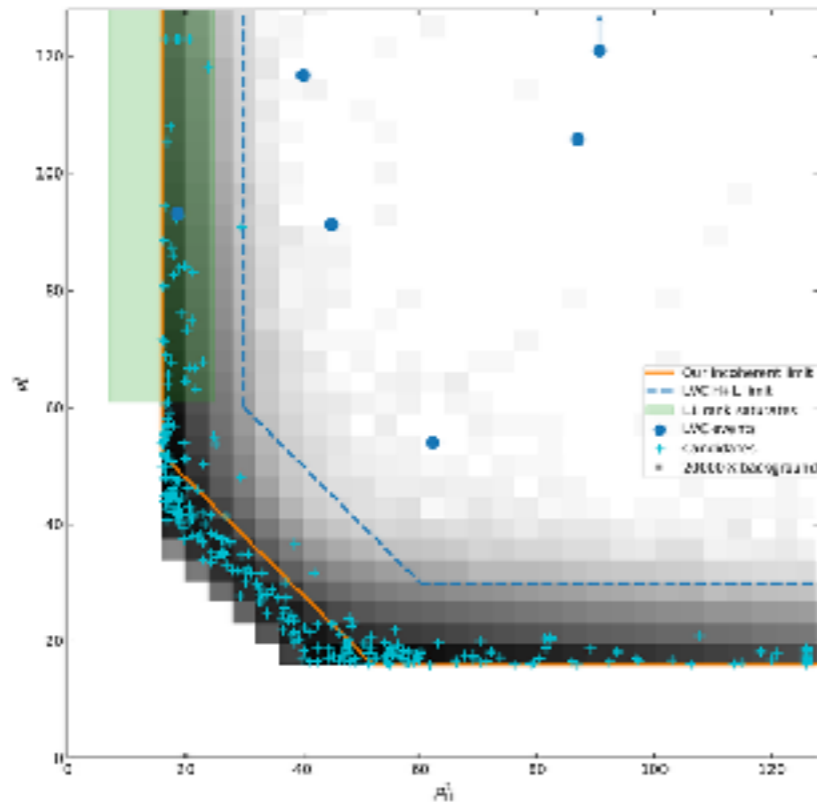
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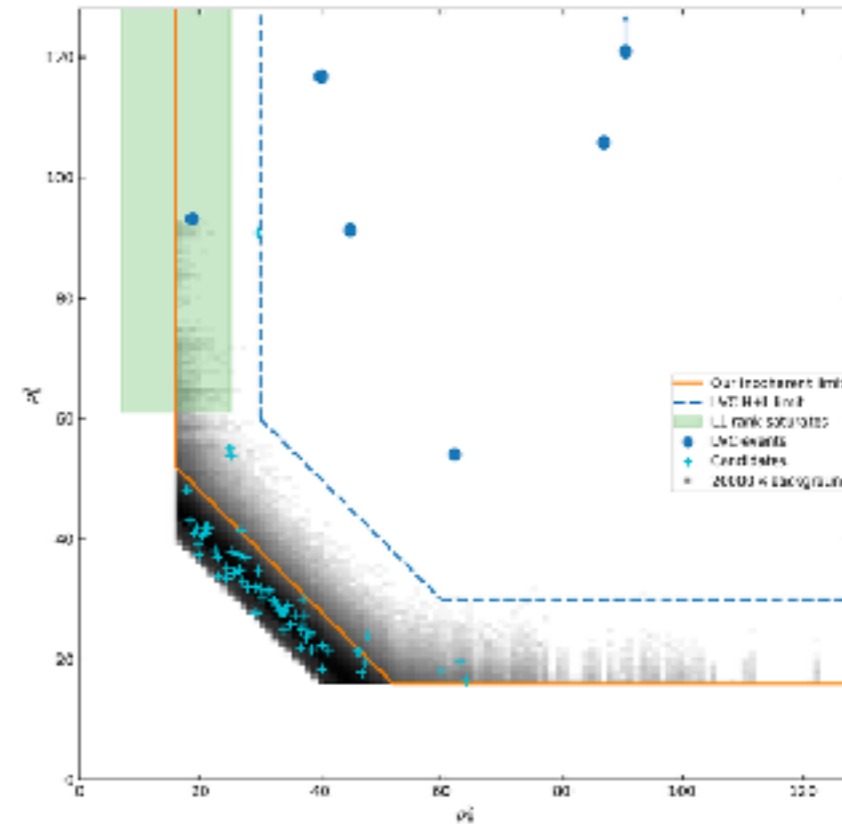


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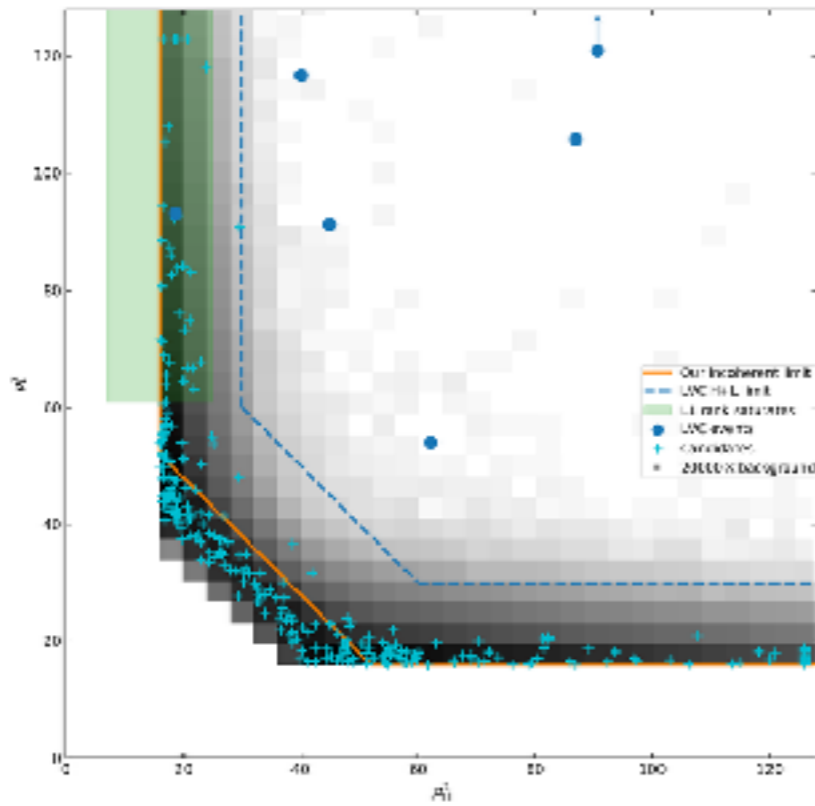


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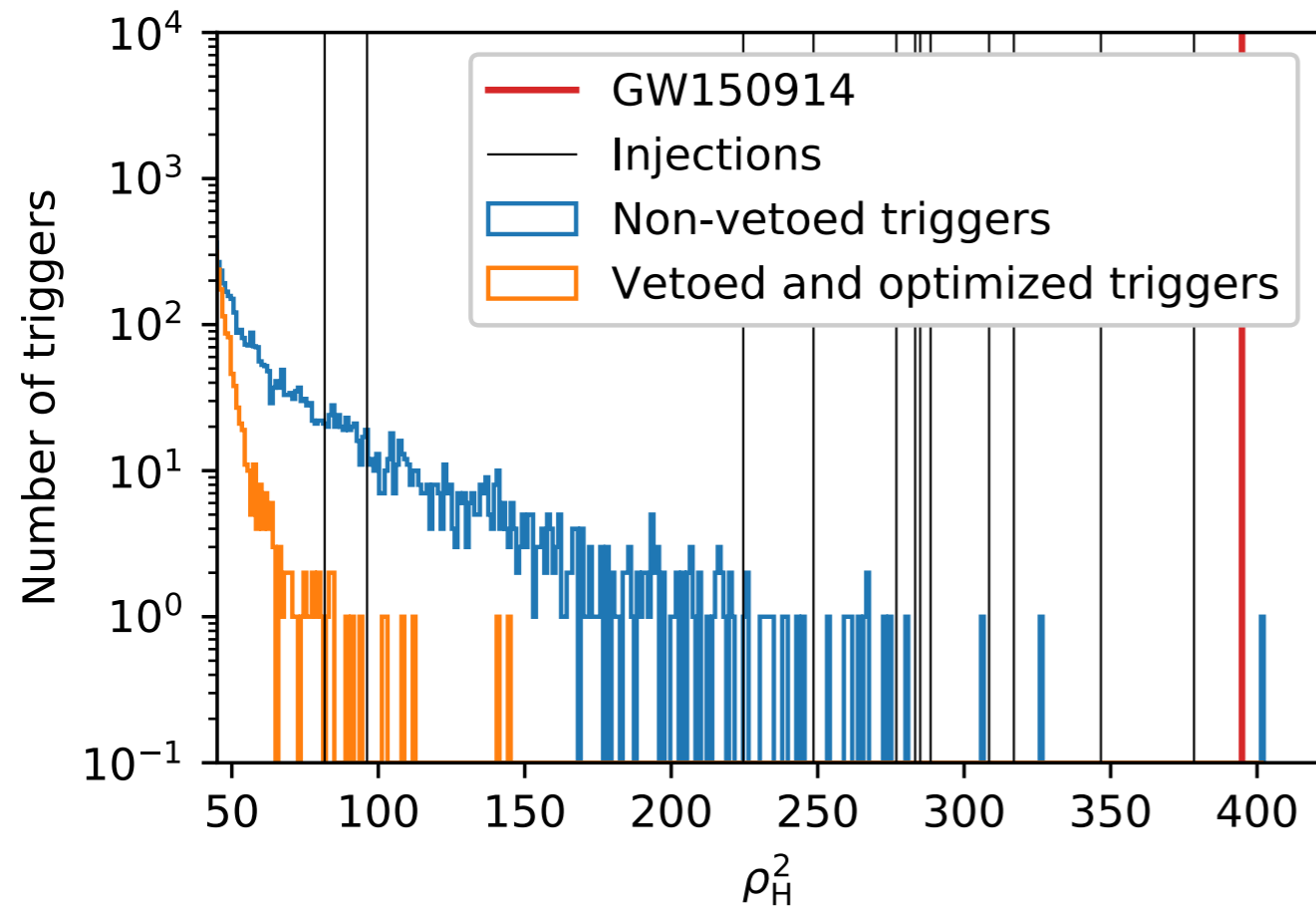
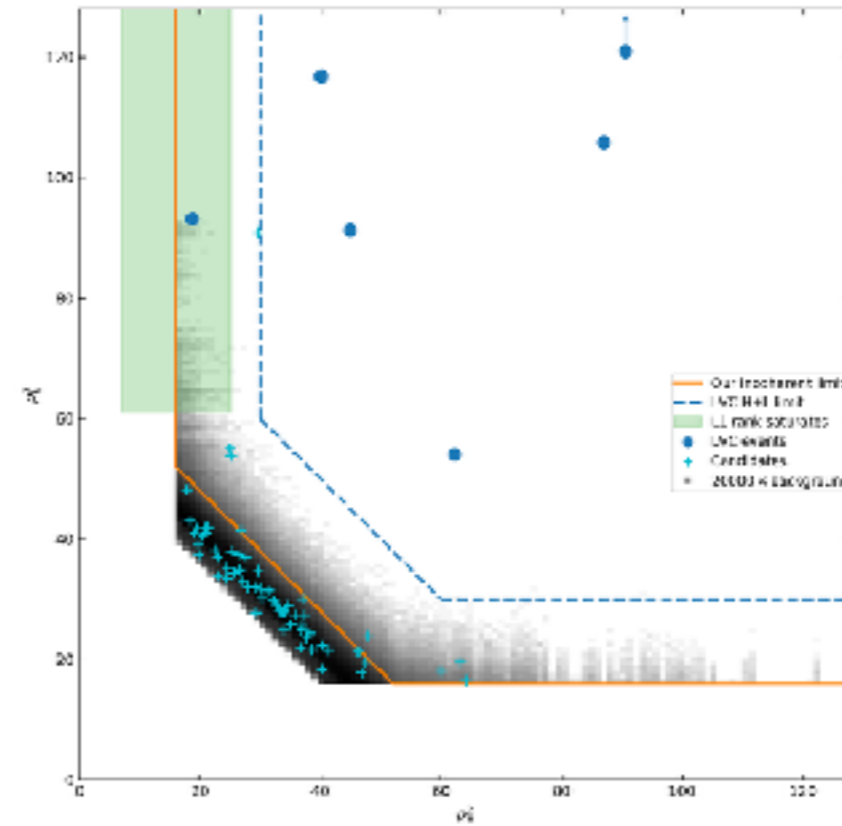


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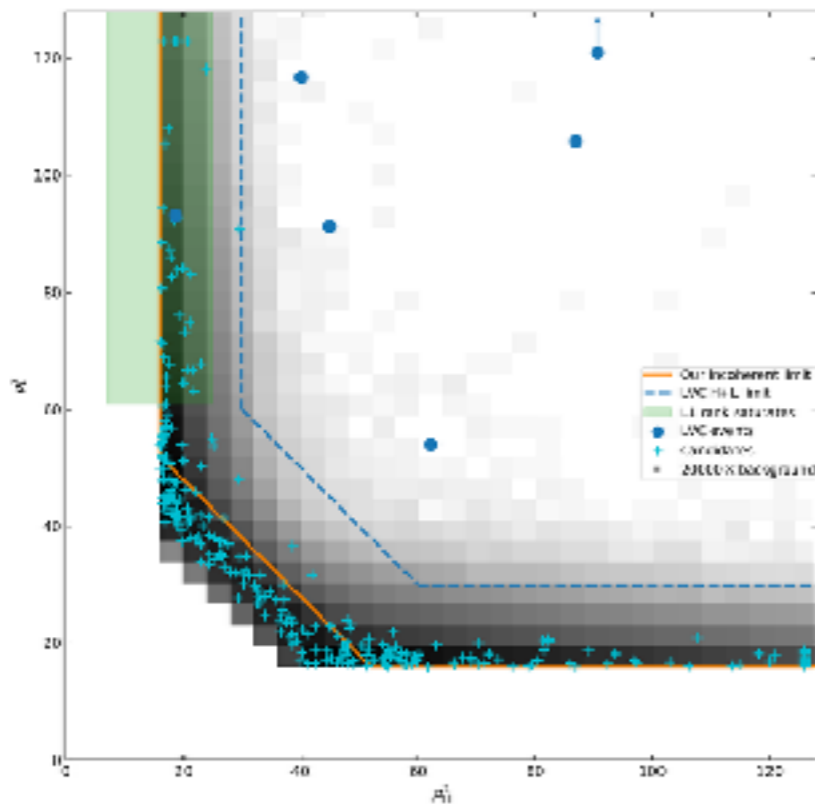


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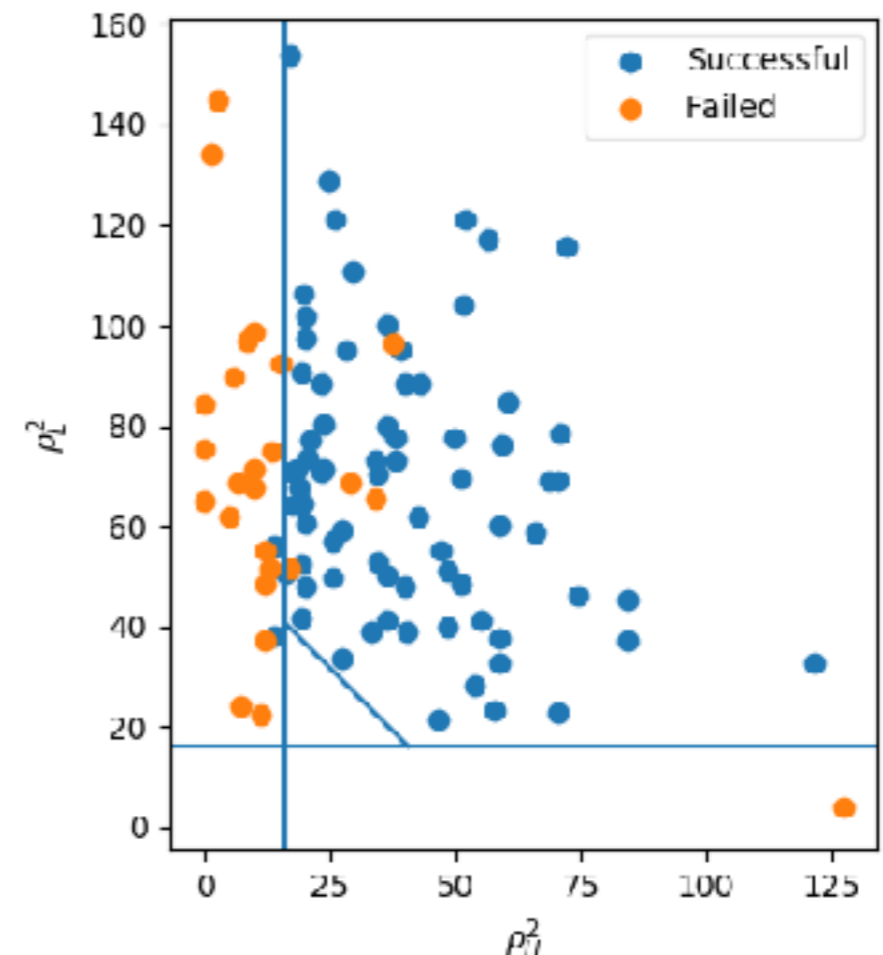
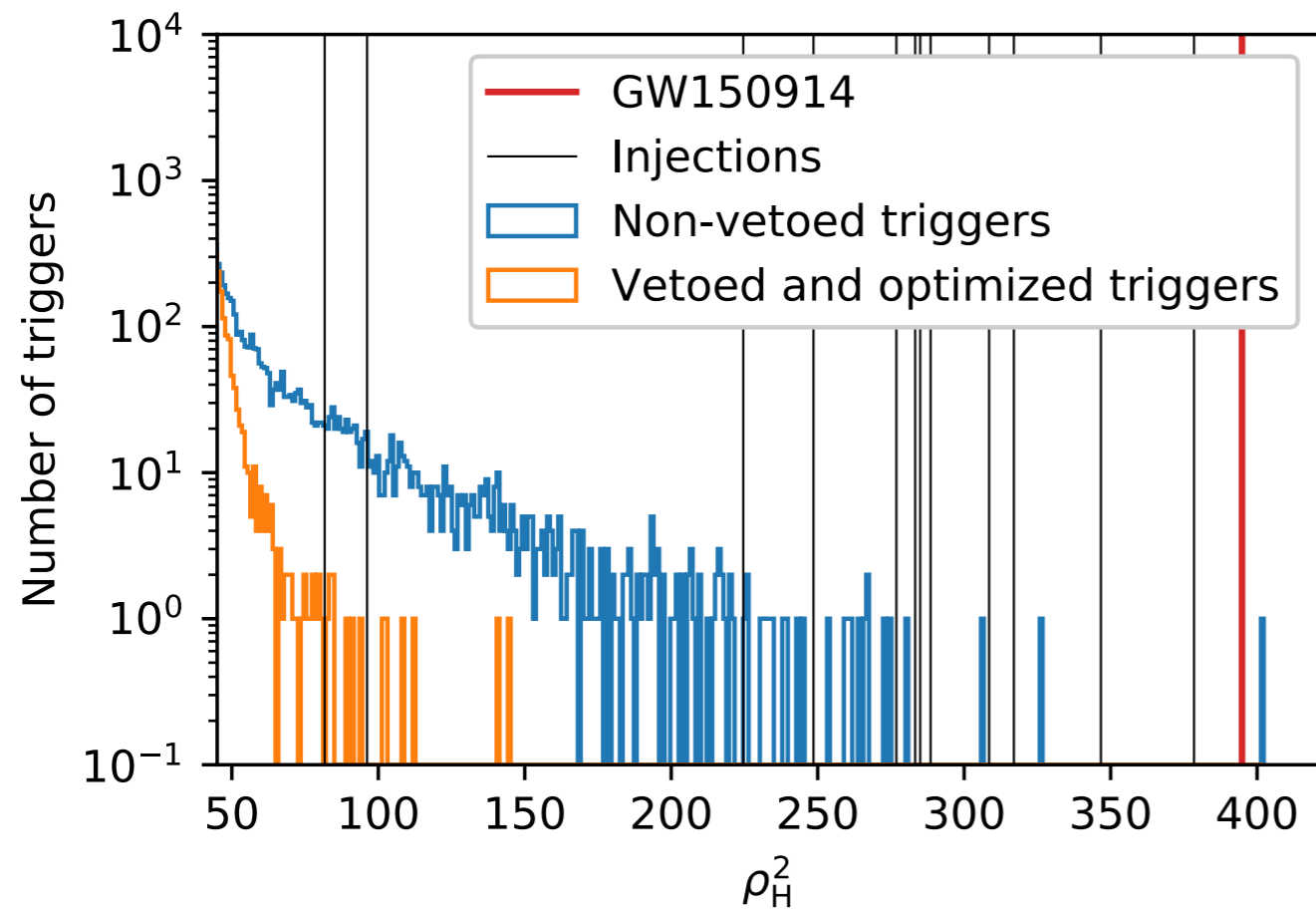
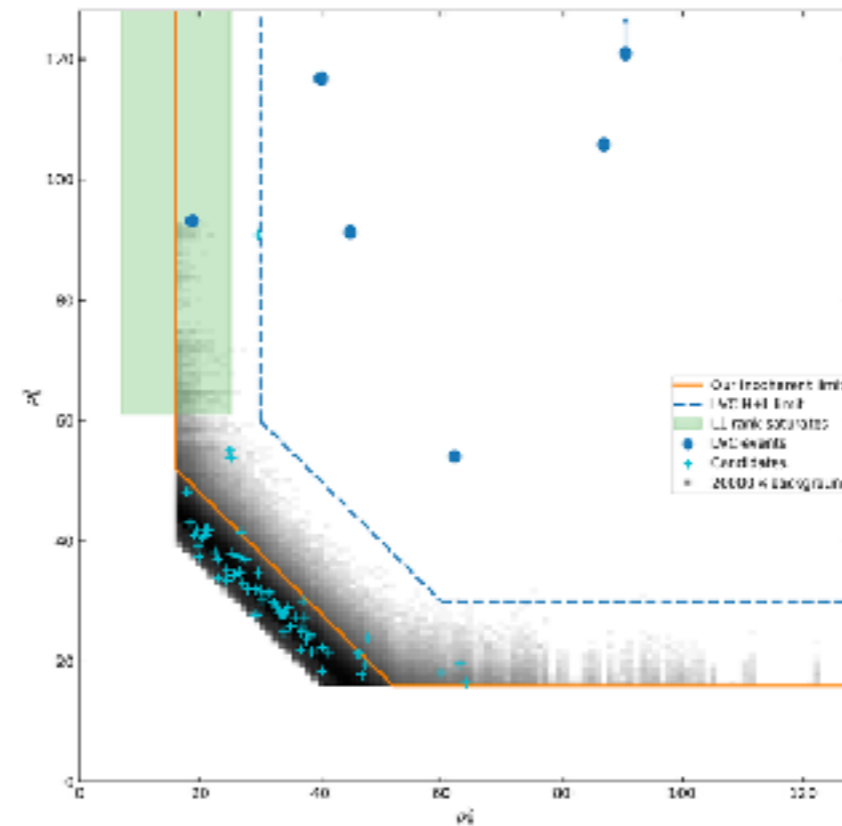


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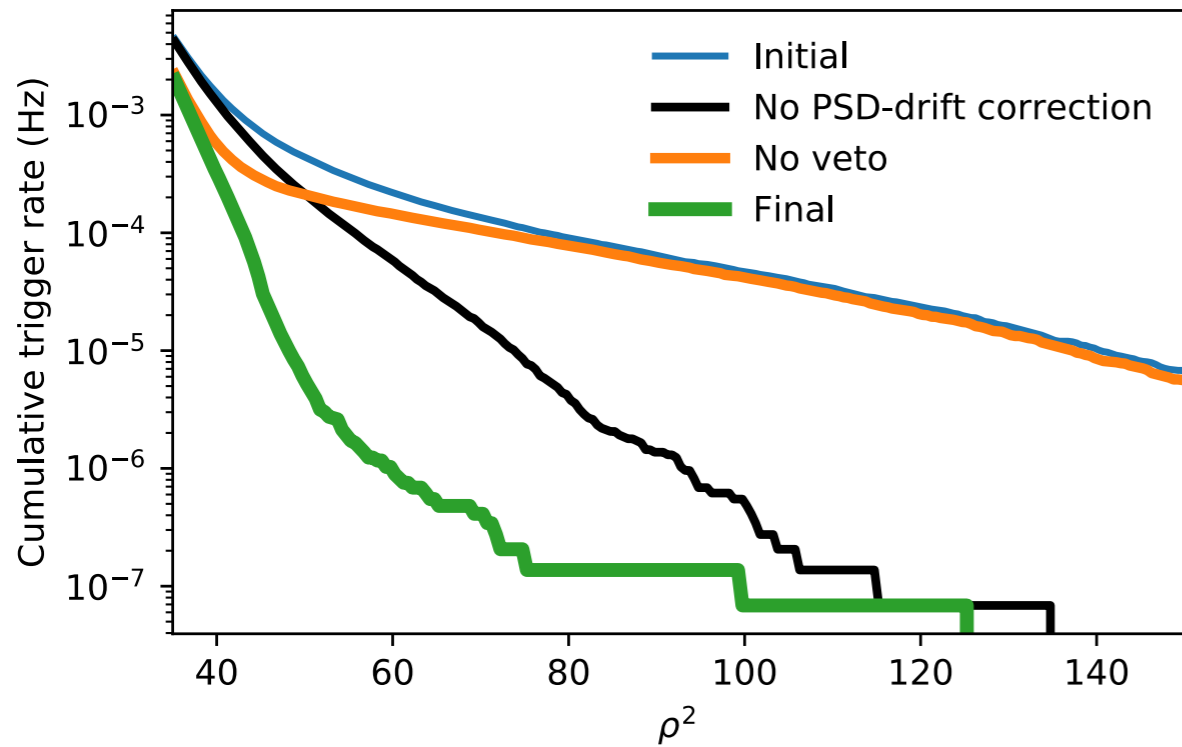
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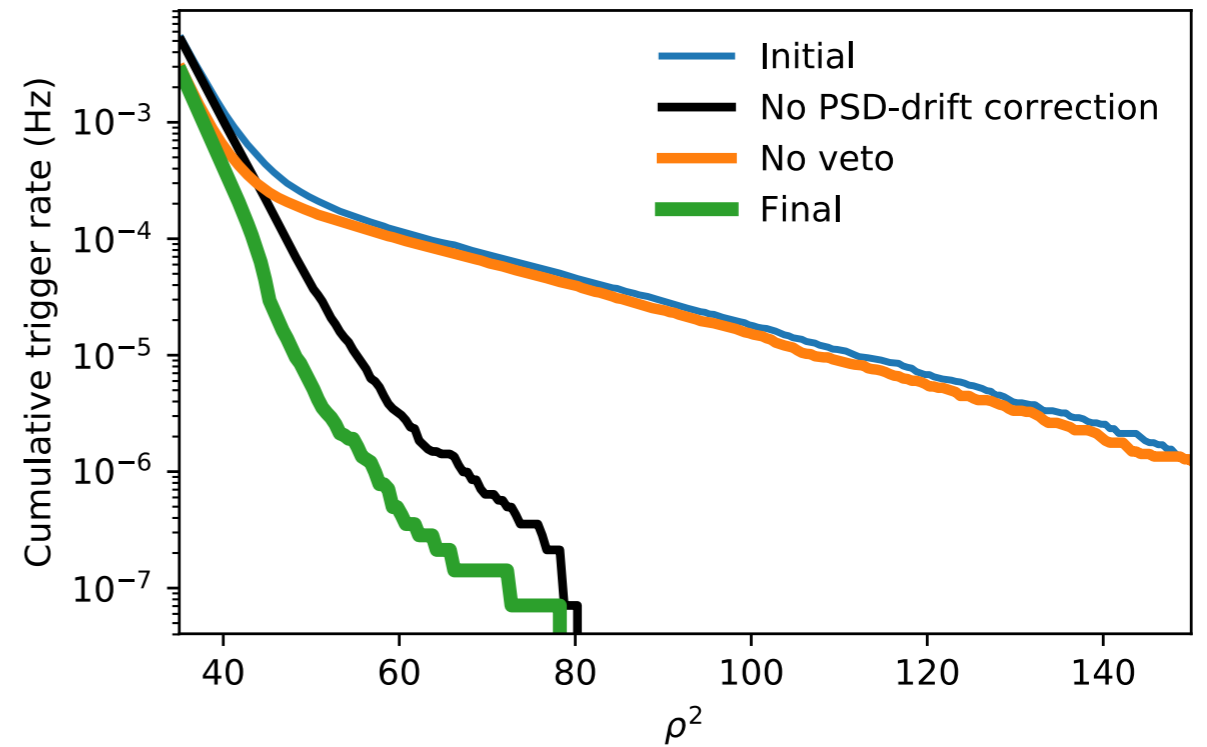
Signals

# Impact of Cleaning + PSD Drift Correction + Vetoes

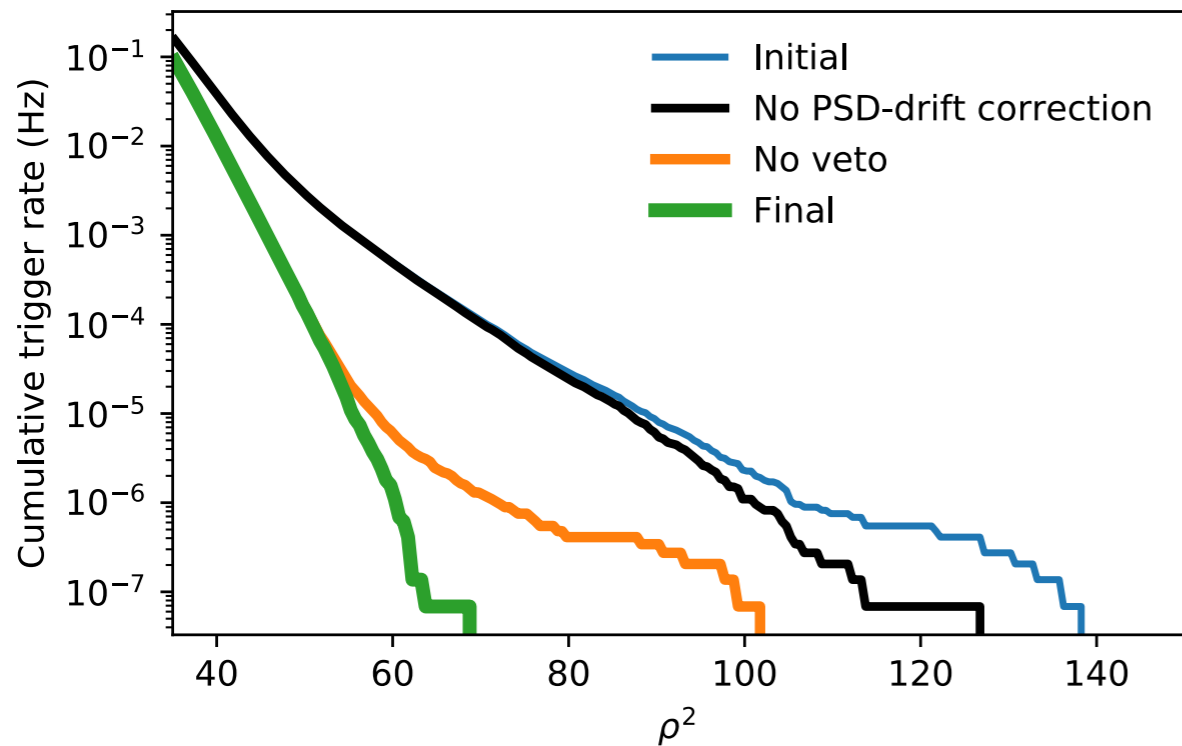
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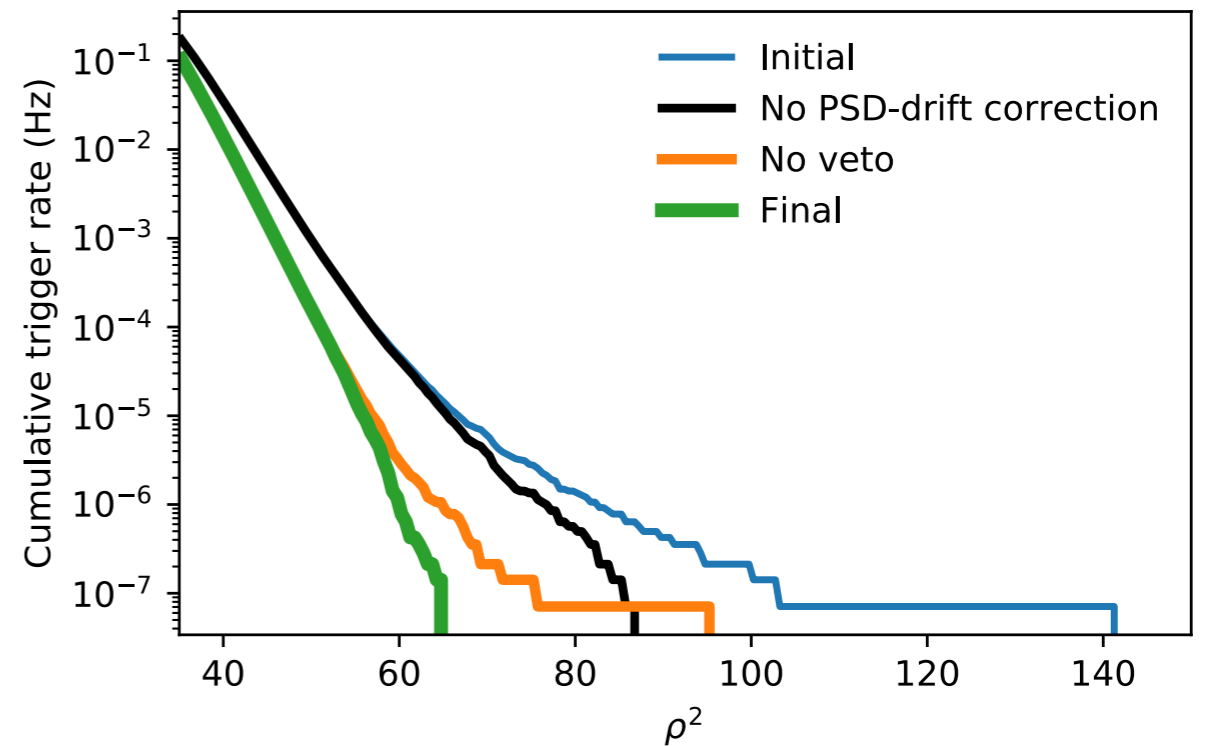
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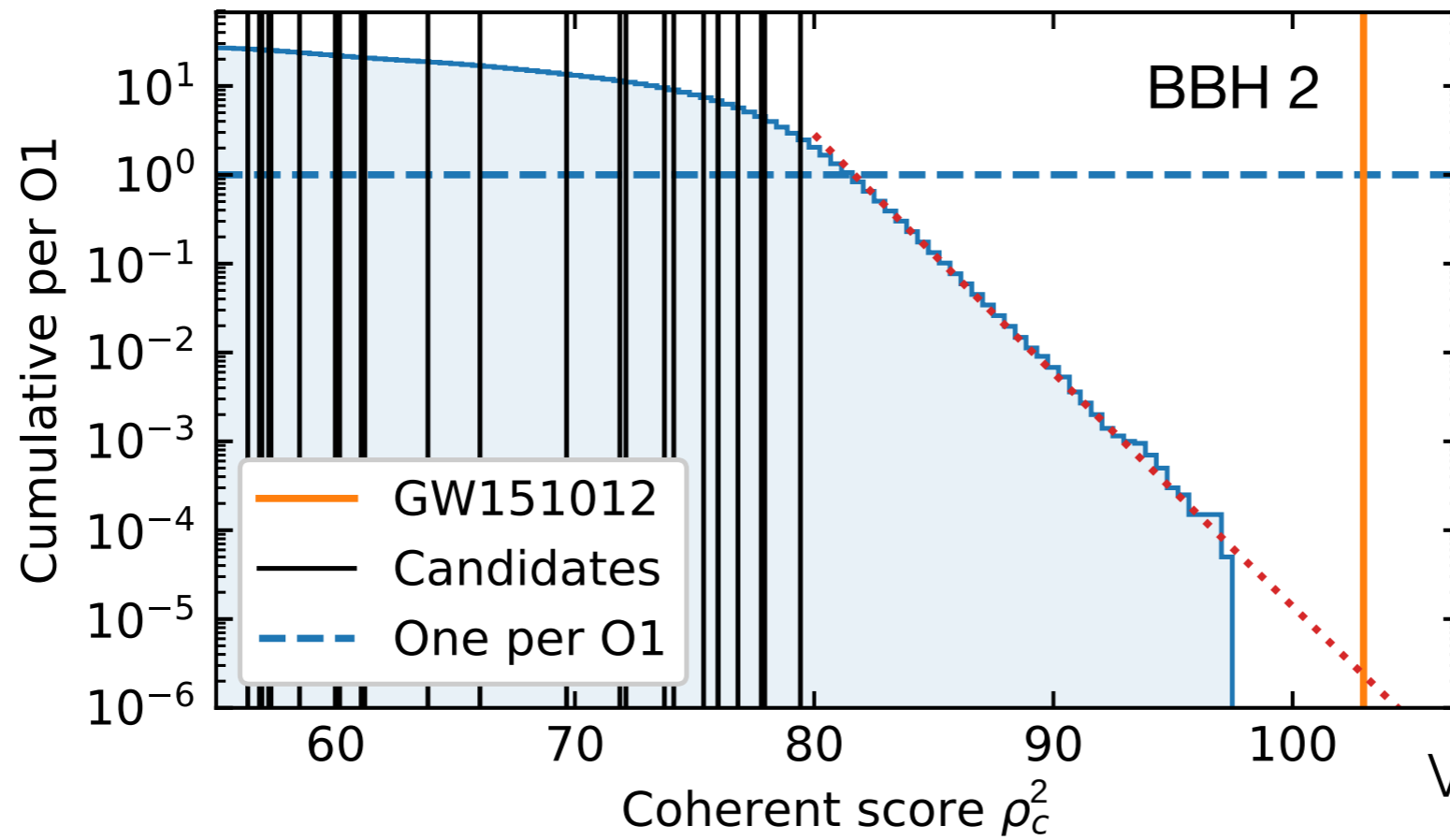
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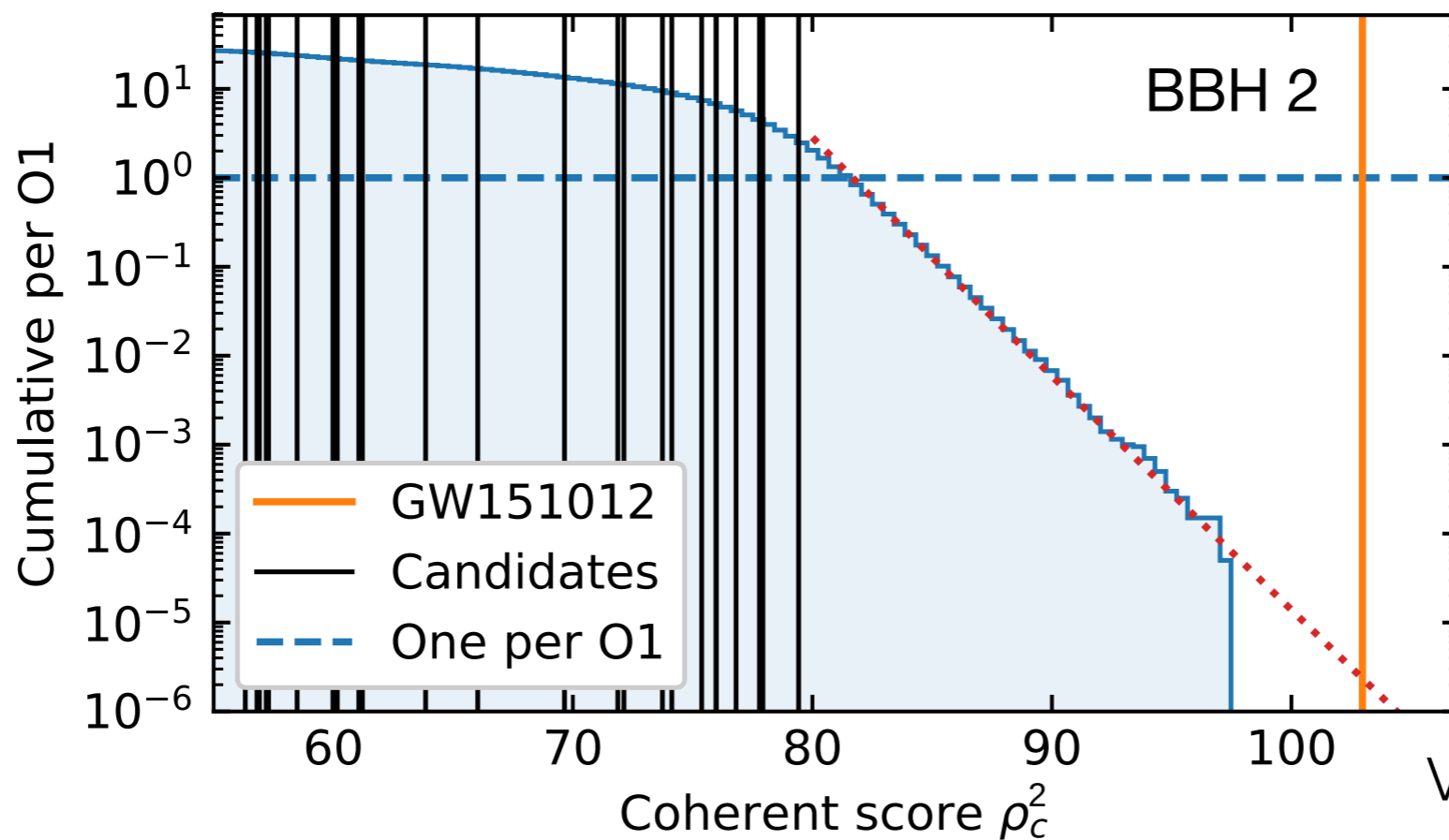


# Improved Background on O1: GW151012



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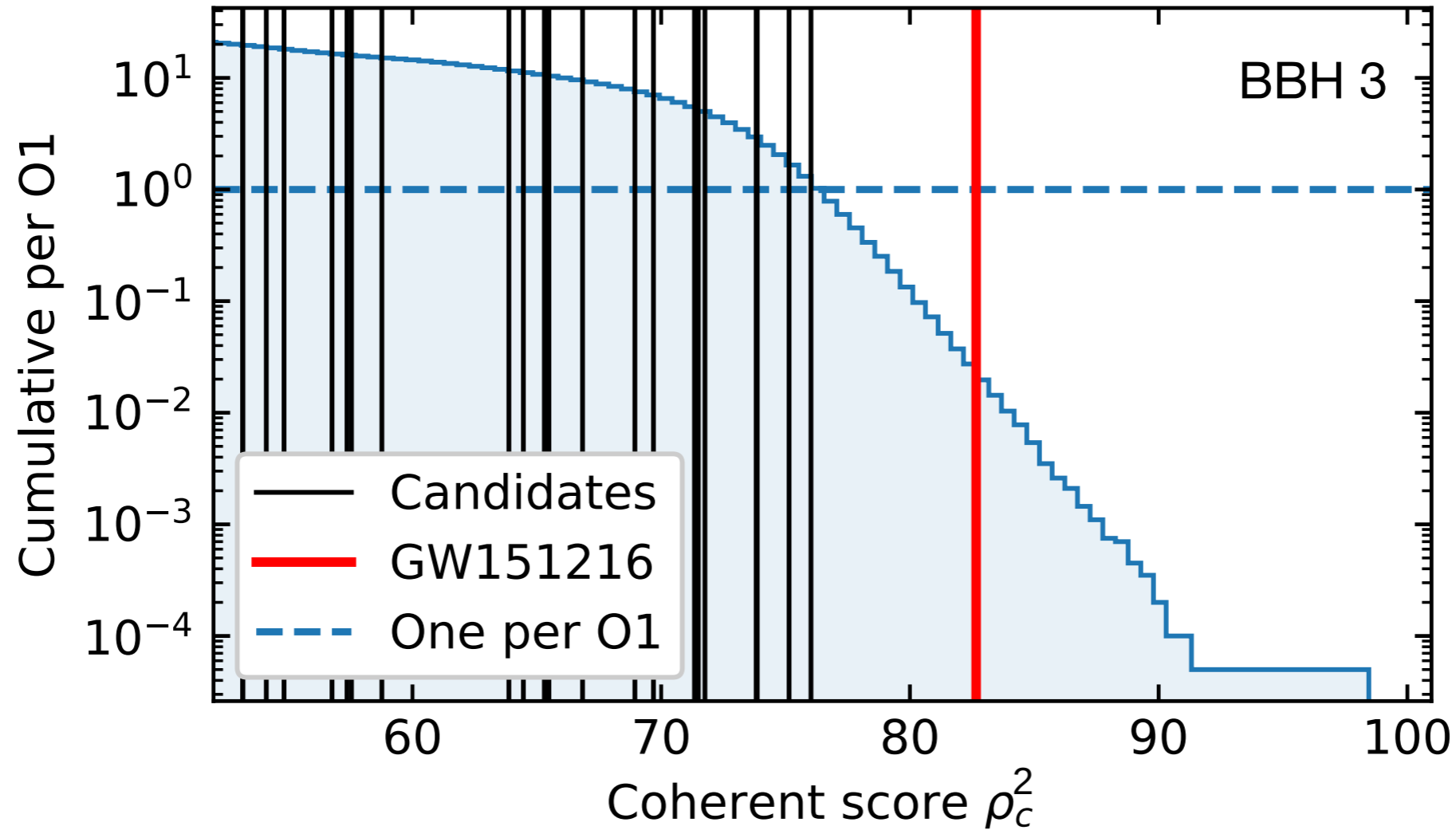


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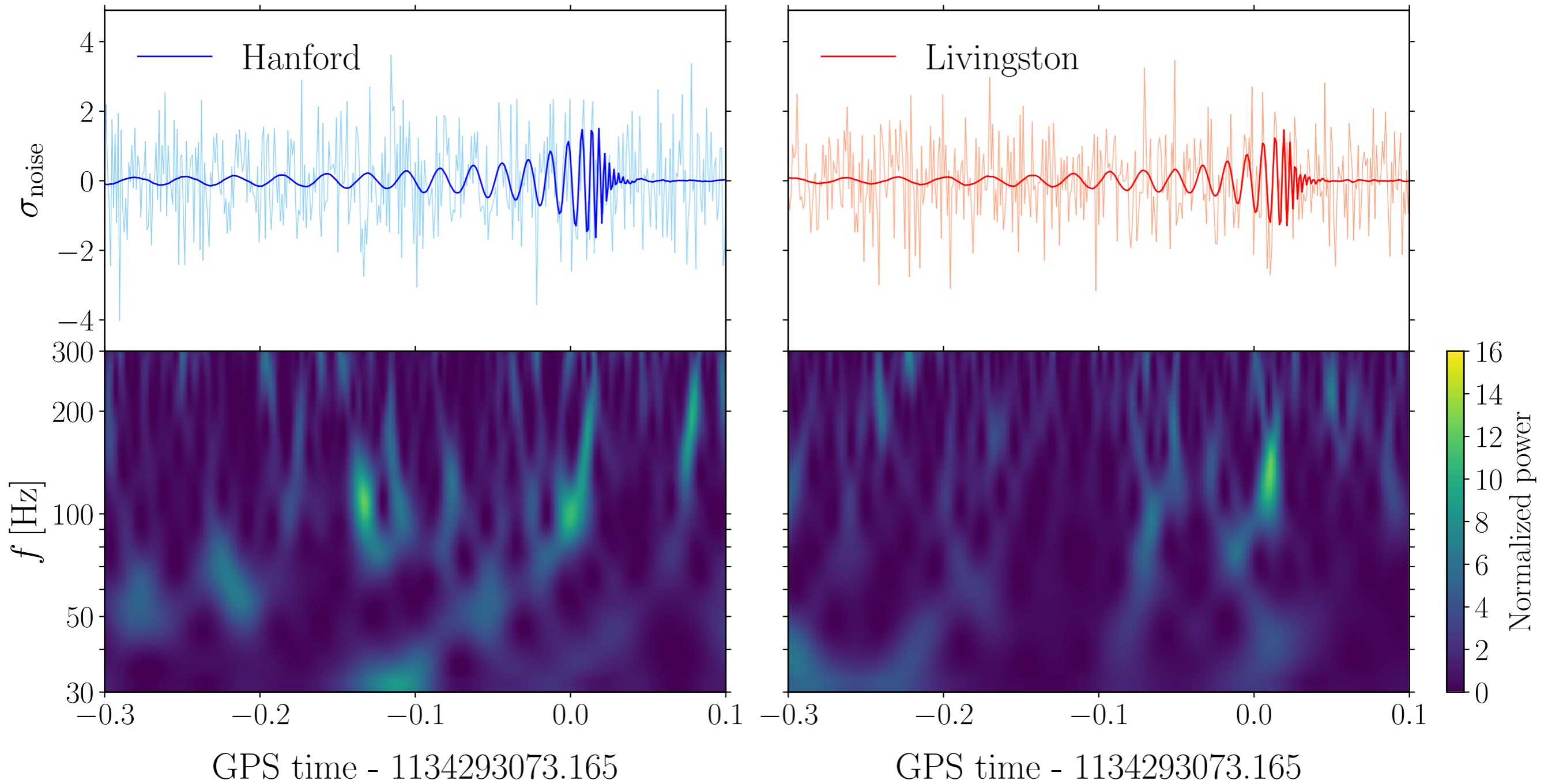
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# O1: New Event in Bank 3



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GW151226	BBH 1	9.74	1135136350.585	120.0	52.1	$> 20\,000$	— <sup>c</sup>	—	1 <sup>c</sup>
GW151012	BBH 2	18	1128678900.428	55.66	46.75	$> 20\,000$	$7 \times 10^5$ <sup>d</sup>	0.01	0.9998 <sup>d</sup>
GW150914	BBH 3	28	1126259462.411	396.1	184.3	$> 20\,000$	— <sup>c</sup>	—	1 <sup>c</sup>
GW151216 <sup>e</sup>	BBH 3	29	1134293073.164	39.4	34.8	52	$74 \pm 2$	0.033	0.71
151231	BBH 3	30	1135557647.145	37.5	25.2	0.98	$5.4 \pm 0.4$	0.033	0.15
151011	BBH 4	58	1128626886.595	24.5	39.9	1.1	$16 \pm 1$	0.01	0.14

# O1: GW151216





# Improved Background on O2

LVC events: our analysis (O2 = 118 days)

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GW170104	BBH (3,0)	1167559936.582	85.1	104.3	$> 2 \times 10^4$	$> 100$	$> 0.99$
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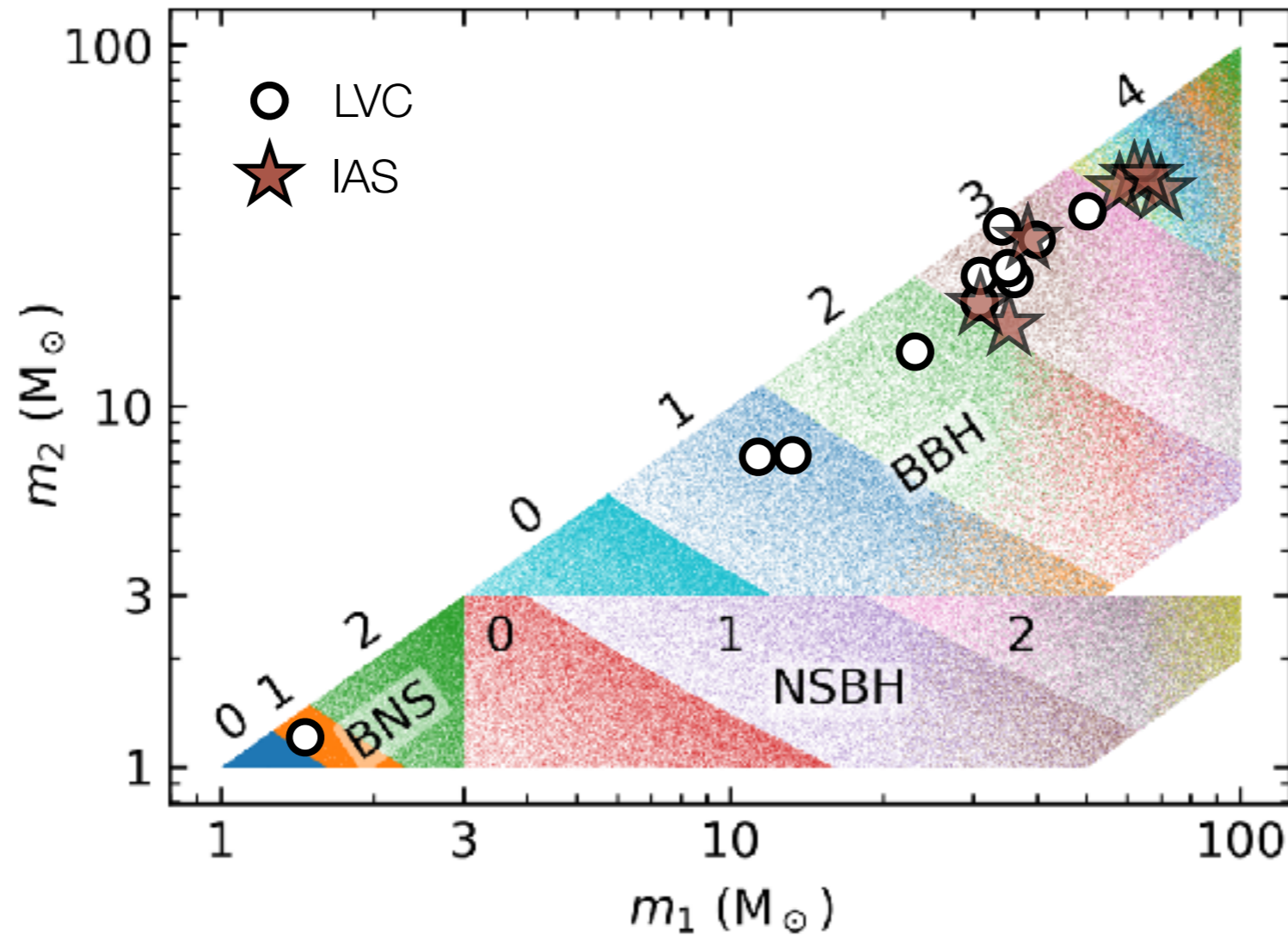
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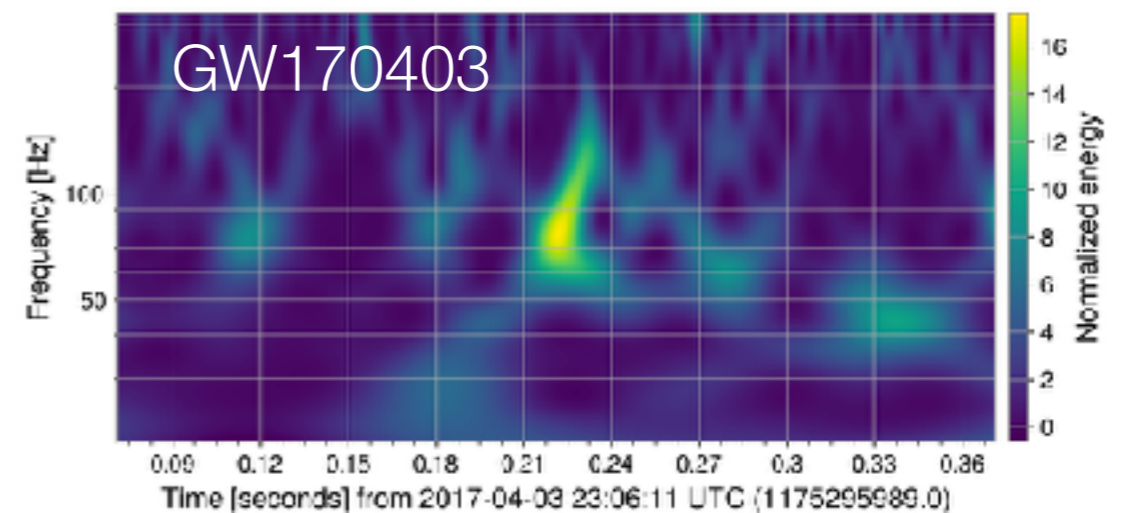
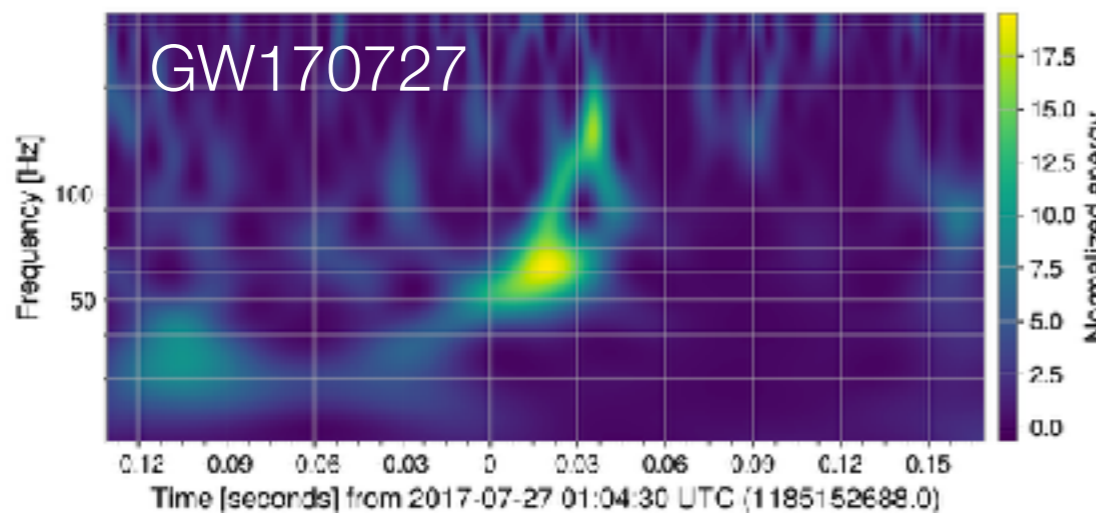
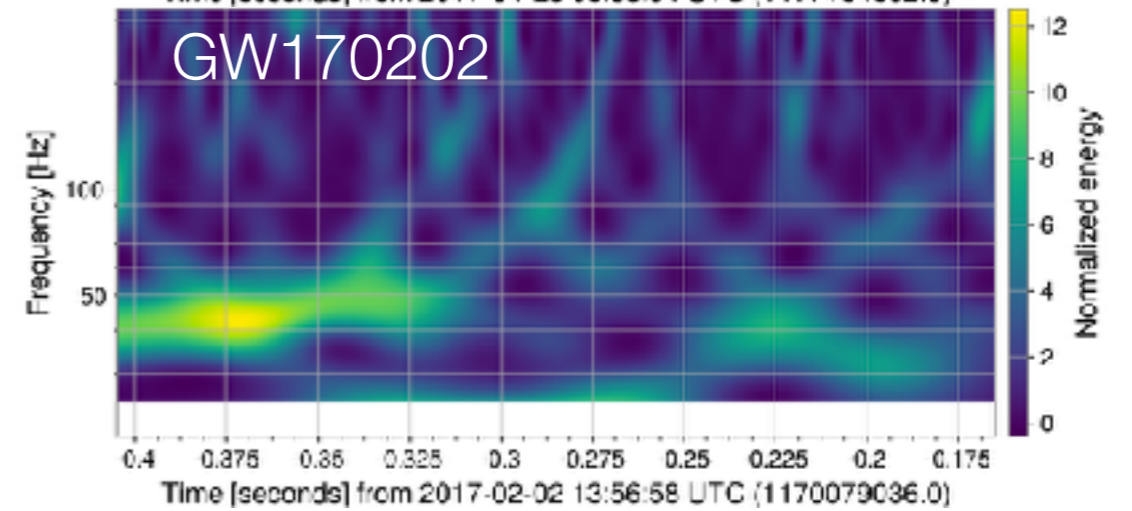
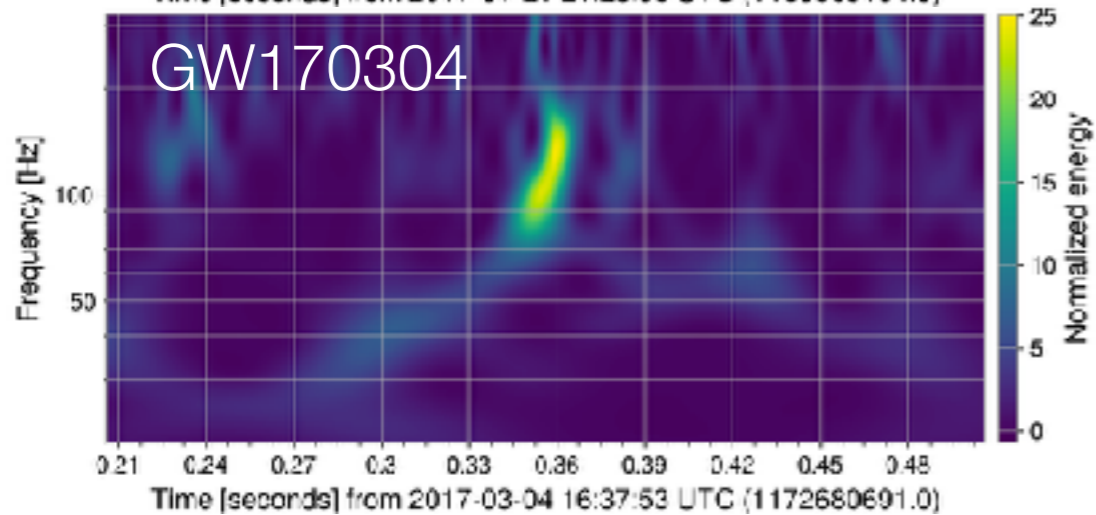
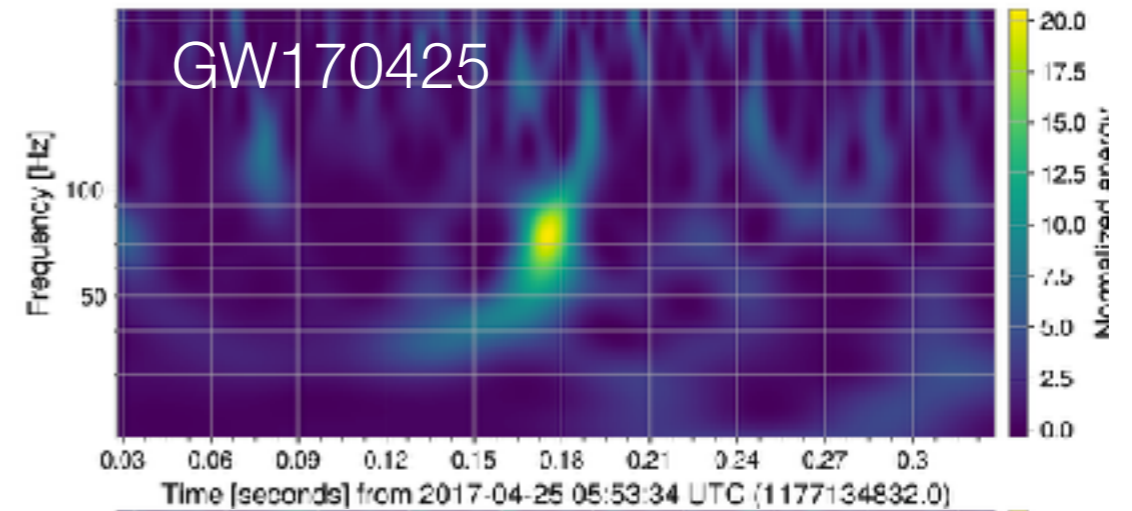
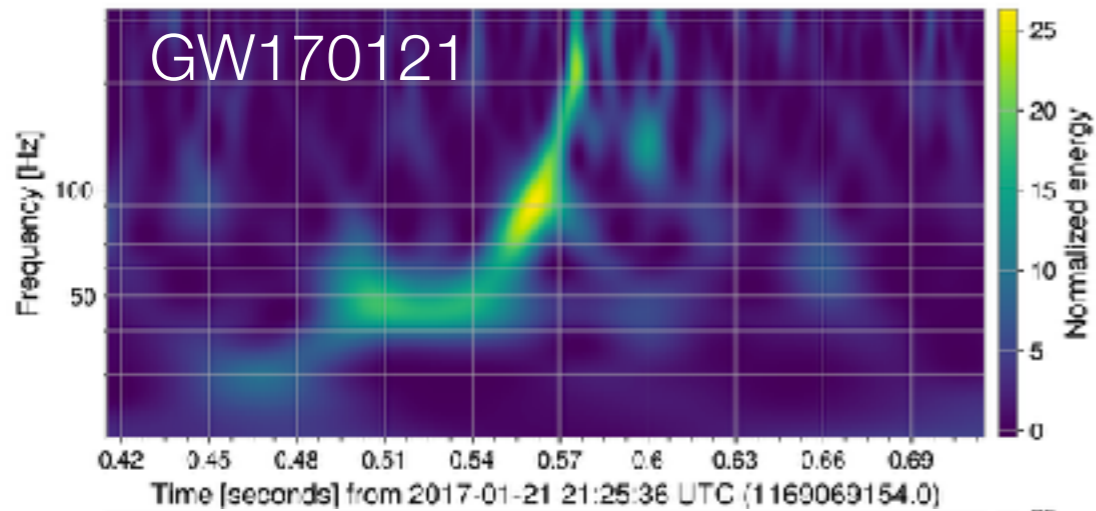
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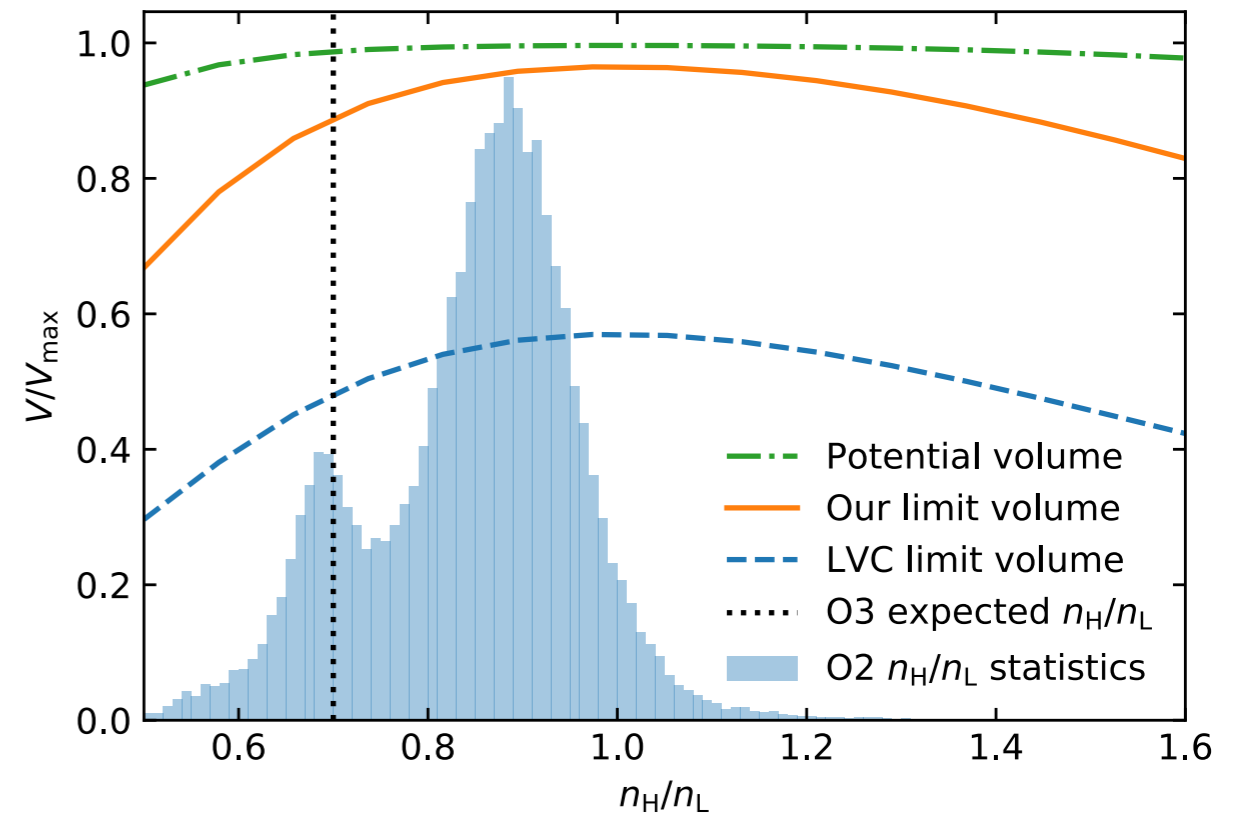
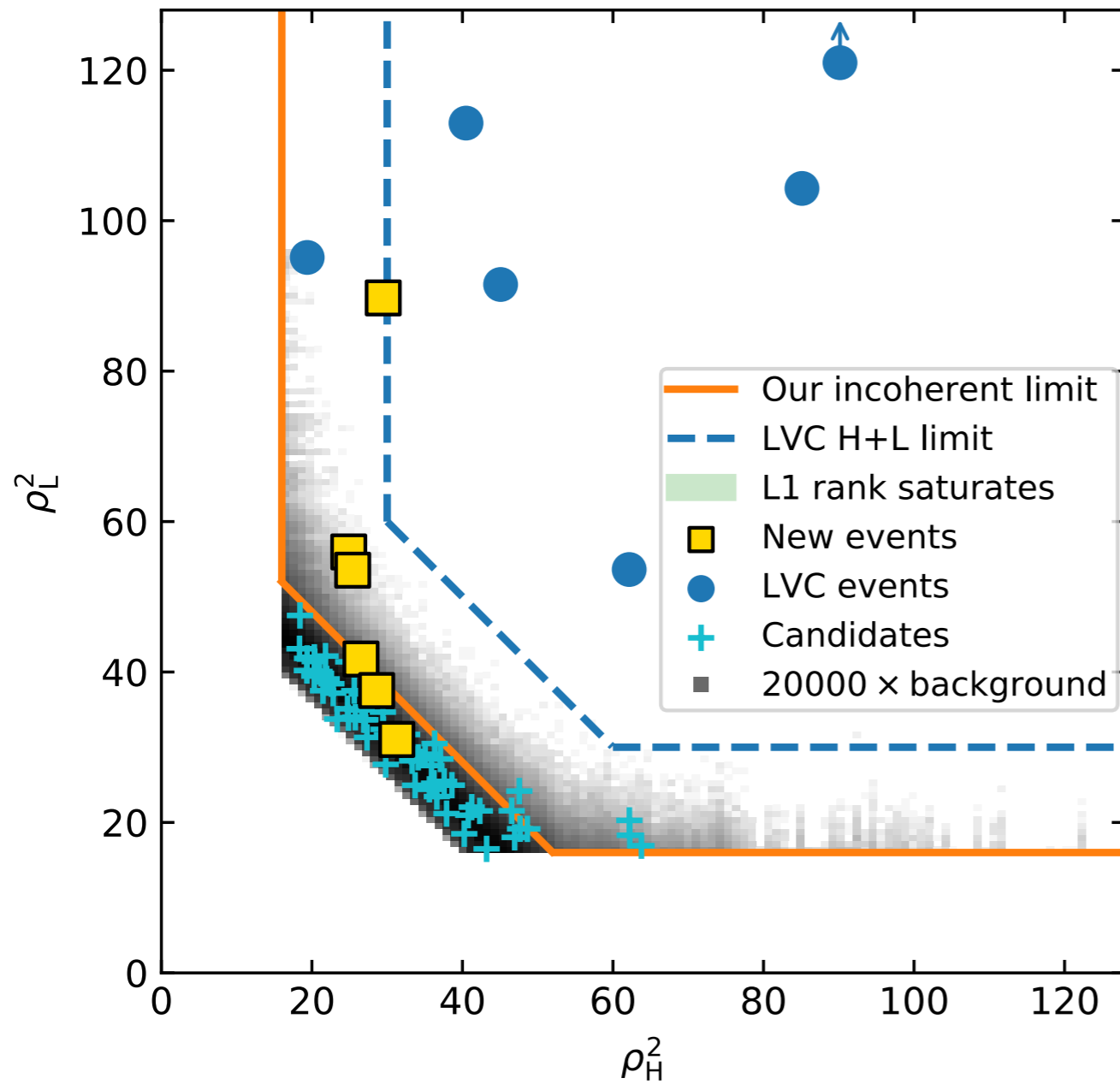
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GW170121	BBH (3,0)	$29_{-3}^{+4}$	$-0.3_{-0.3}^{+0.3}$	$0.24_{-0.13}^{+0.14}$	1169069154.565	29.4	89.7	$2.8 \times 10^3$	$> 30$	$> 0.99$
GW170304	BBH (4,0)	$47_{-7}^{+8}$	$0.2_{-0.3}^{+0.3}$	$0.5_{-0.2}^{+0.2}$	1172680691.356	24.9	55.9	377	13.6	0.985
GW170727	BBH (4,0)	$42_{-6}^{+6}$	$-0.1_{-0.3}^{+0.3}$	$0.43_{-0.17}^{+0.18}$	1185152688.019	25.4	53.5	370	11.8	0.98
GW170425	BBH (4,0)	$47_{-10}^{+26}$	$0.0_{-0.5}^{+0.4}$	$0.5_{-0.3}^{+0.4}$	1177134832.178	28.6	37.5	15	0.65	0.77
GW170202	BBH (3,0)	$21.6_{-1.4}^{+4.2}$	$-0.2_{-0.3}^{+0.4}$	$0.27_{-0.12}^{+0.13}$	1170079035.715	26.5	41.7	6.3	0.25	0.68
GW170403	BBH (4,1)	$48_{-7}^{+9}$	$-0.7_{-0.3}^{+0.5}$	$0.45_{-0.19}^{+0.22}$	1175295989.221	31.3	31.0	4.7	0.23	0.56

(O2 = 118 days)

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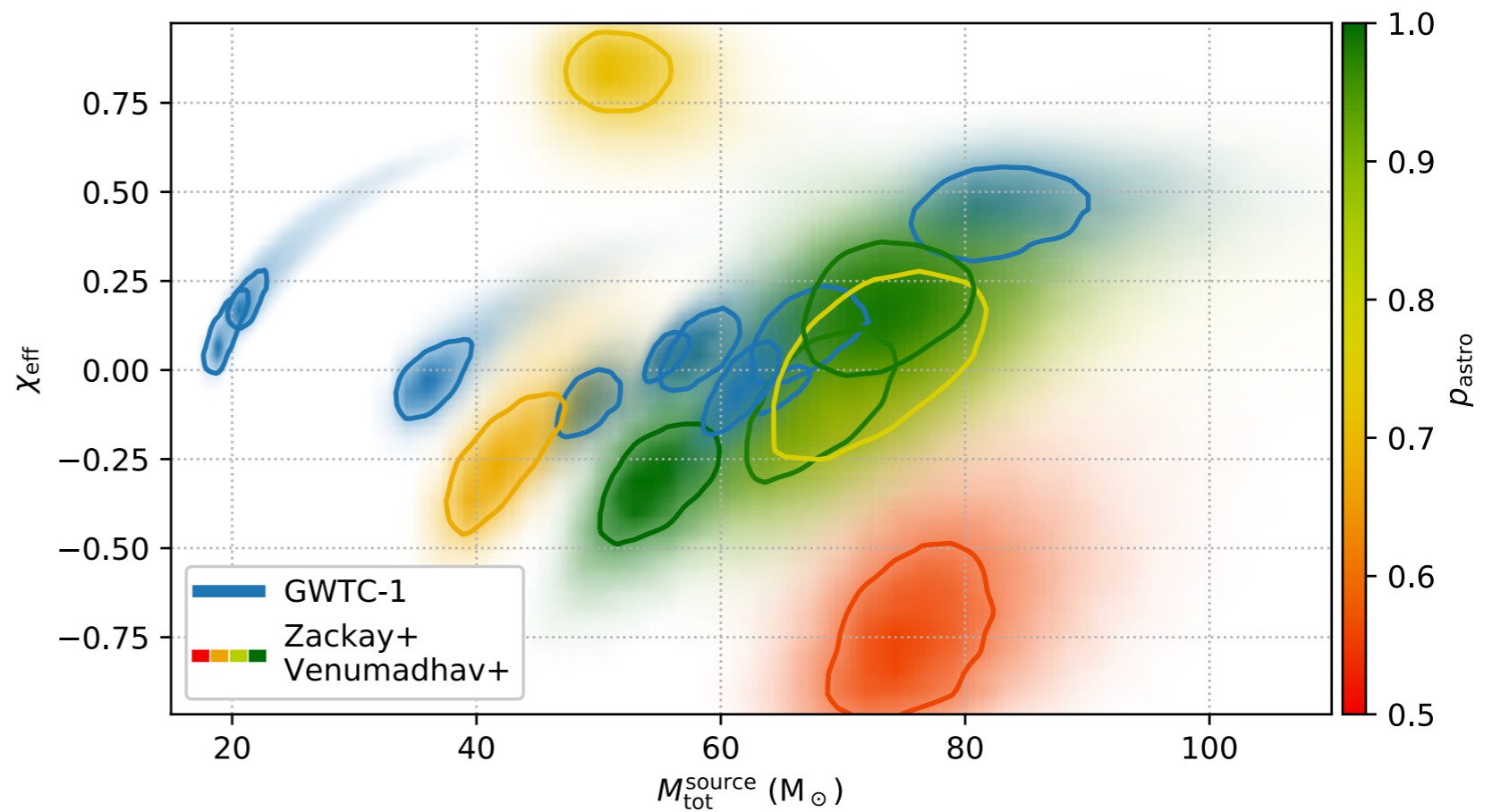
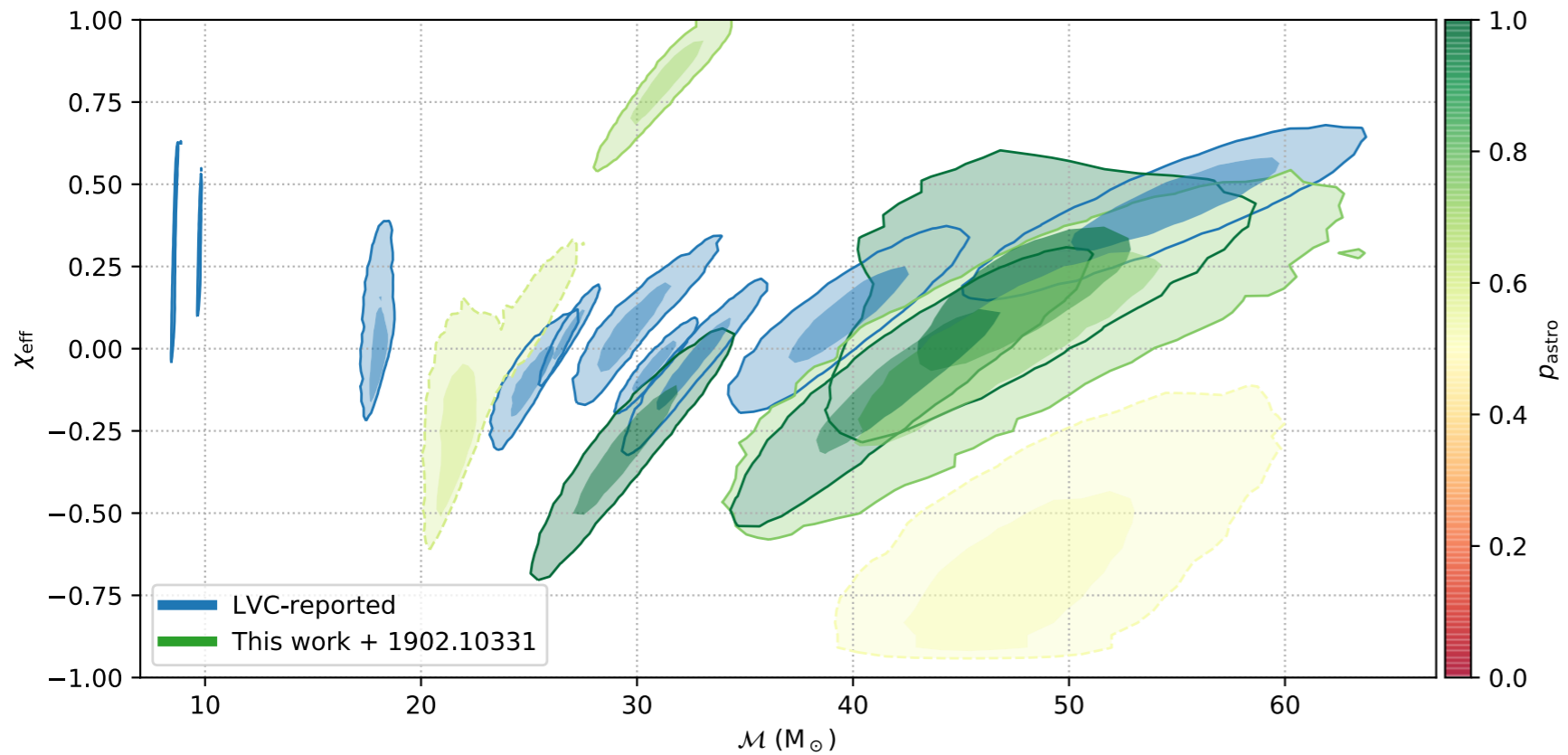


# Increase in Sensitivity



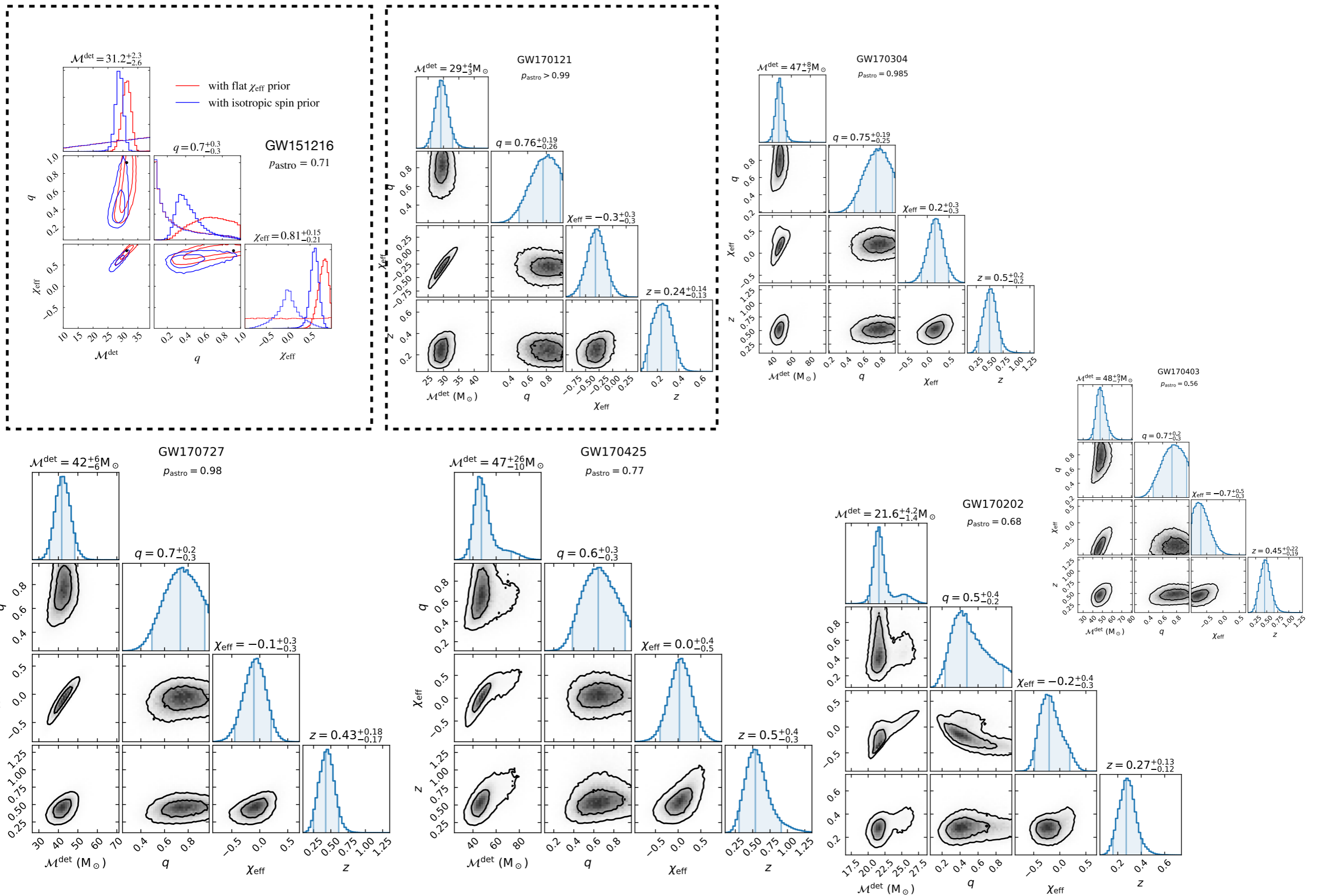
Equivalent to reducing the strain noise amplitude by  $\sim 25\%$

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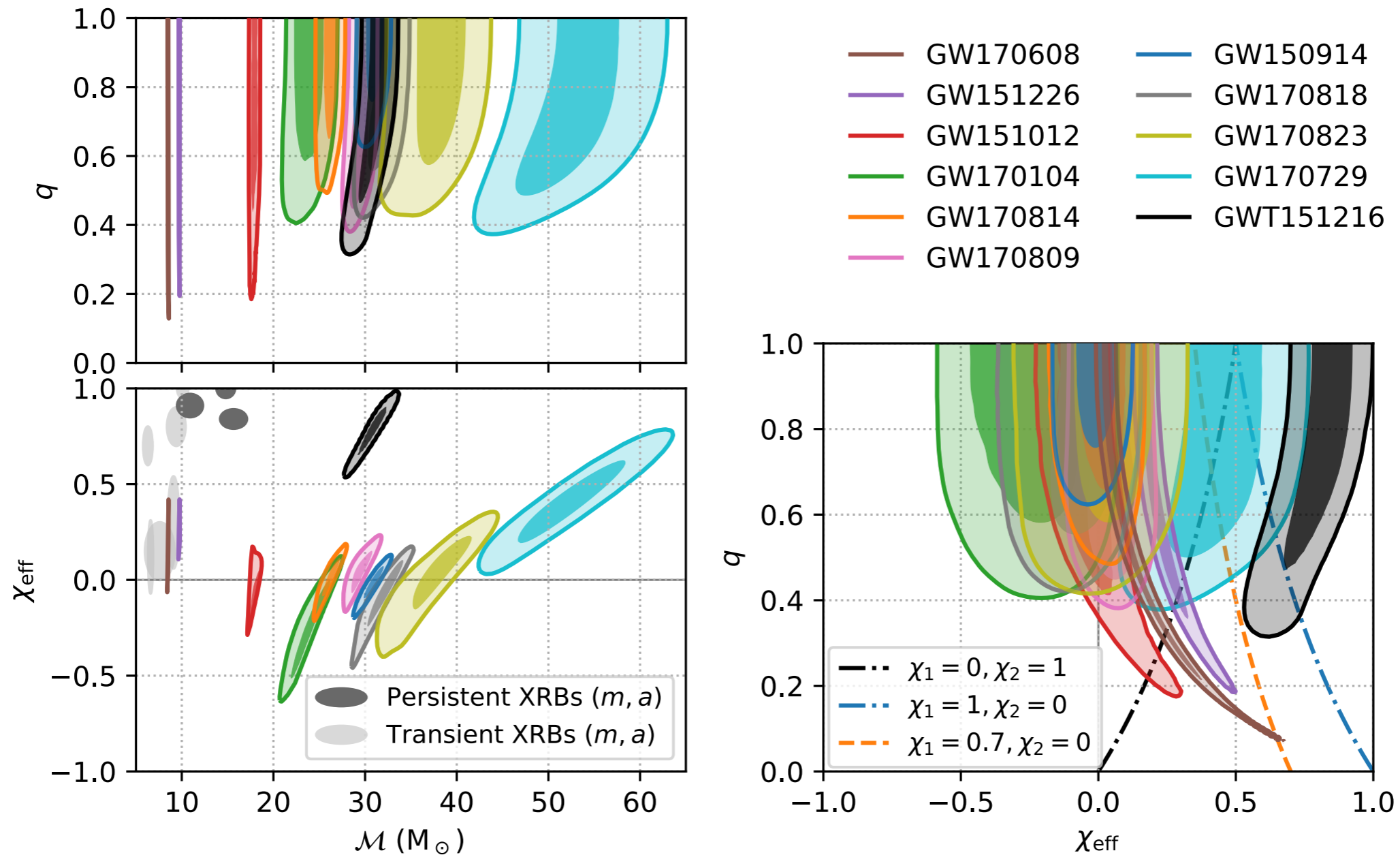


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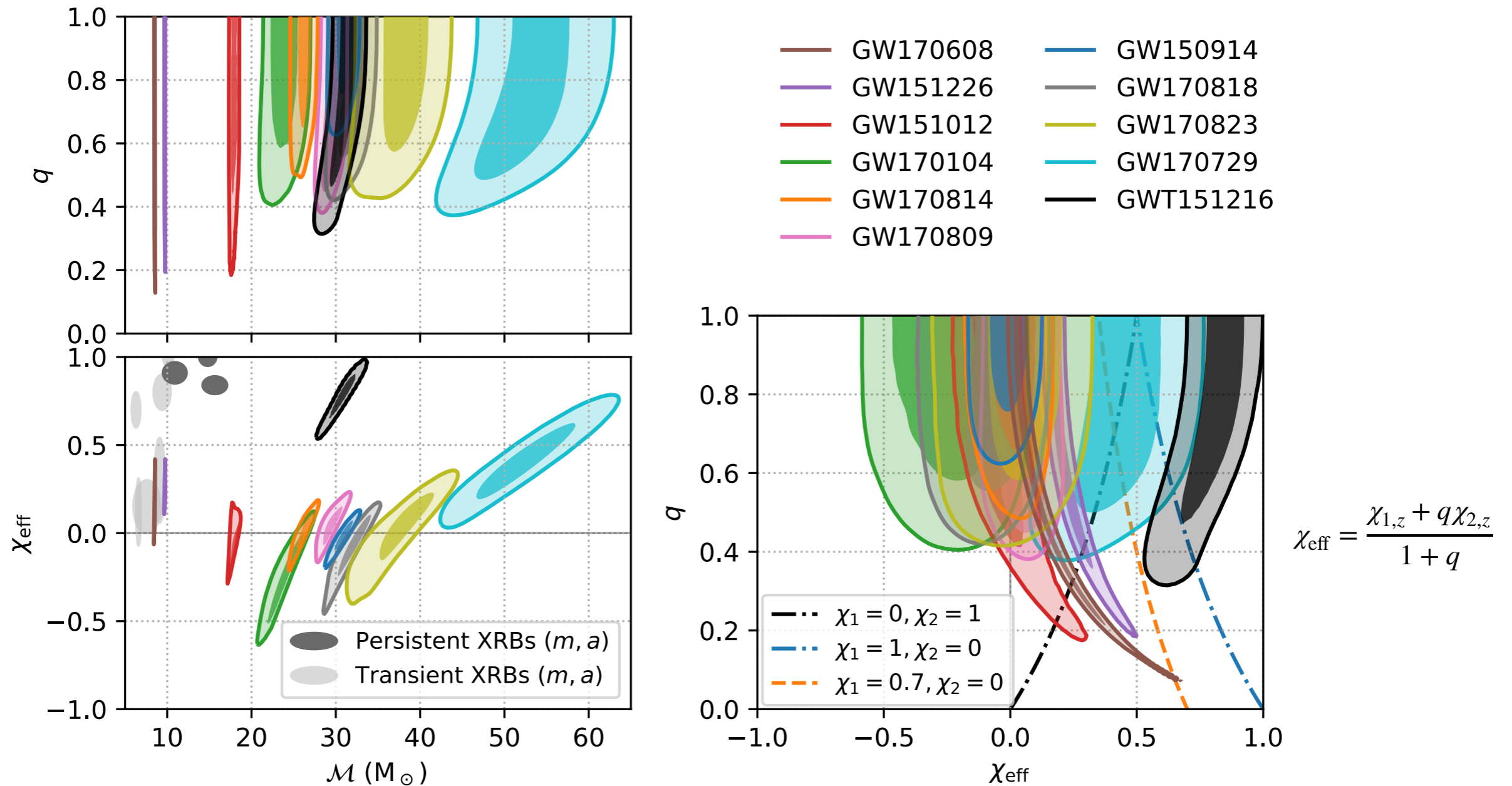
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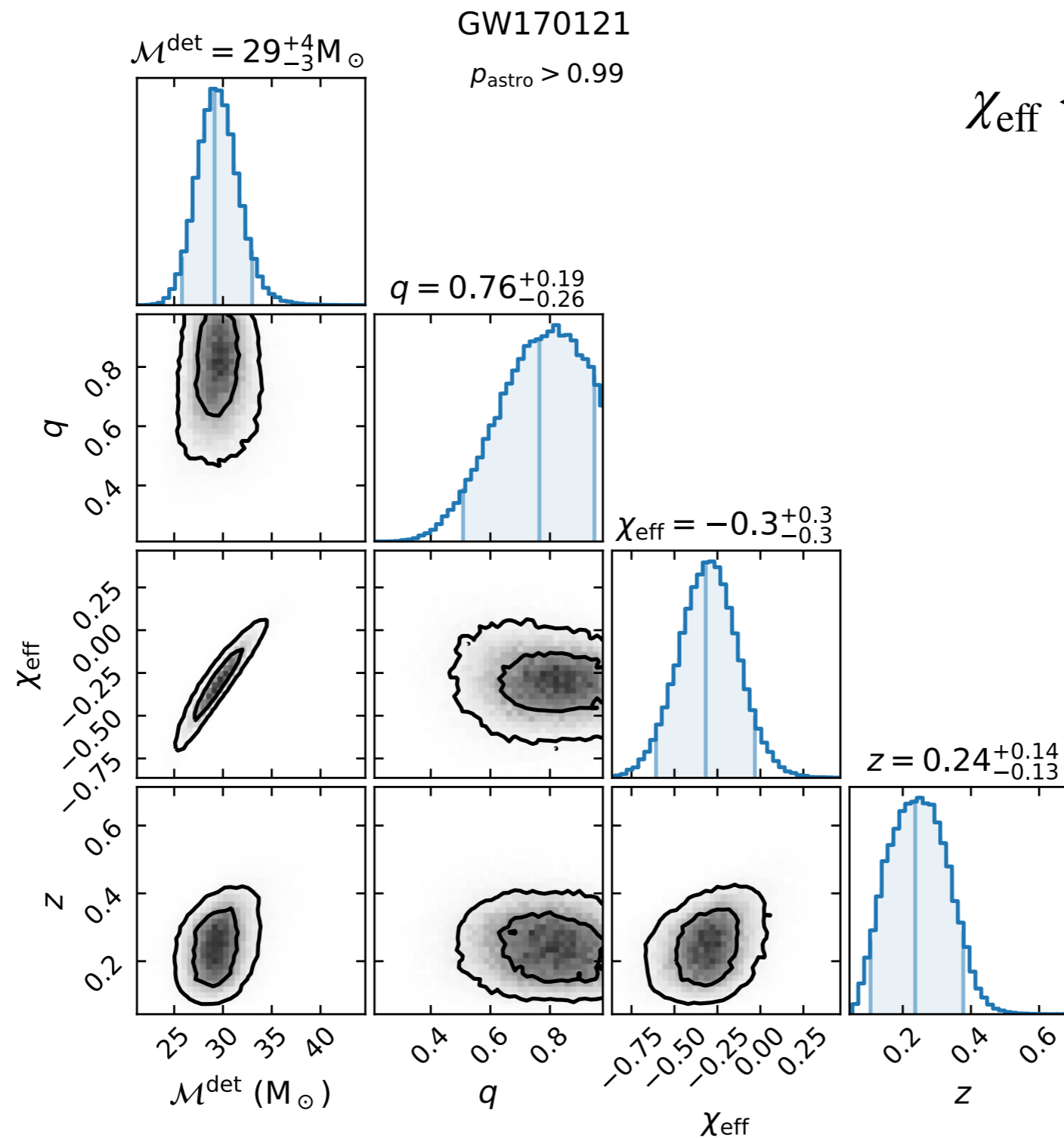


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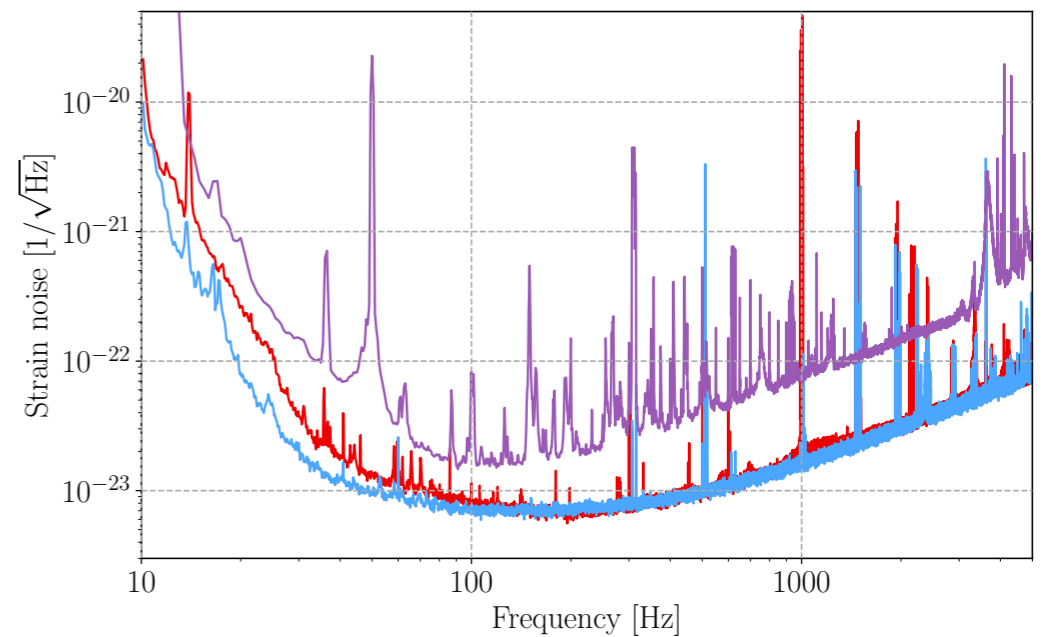
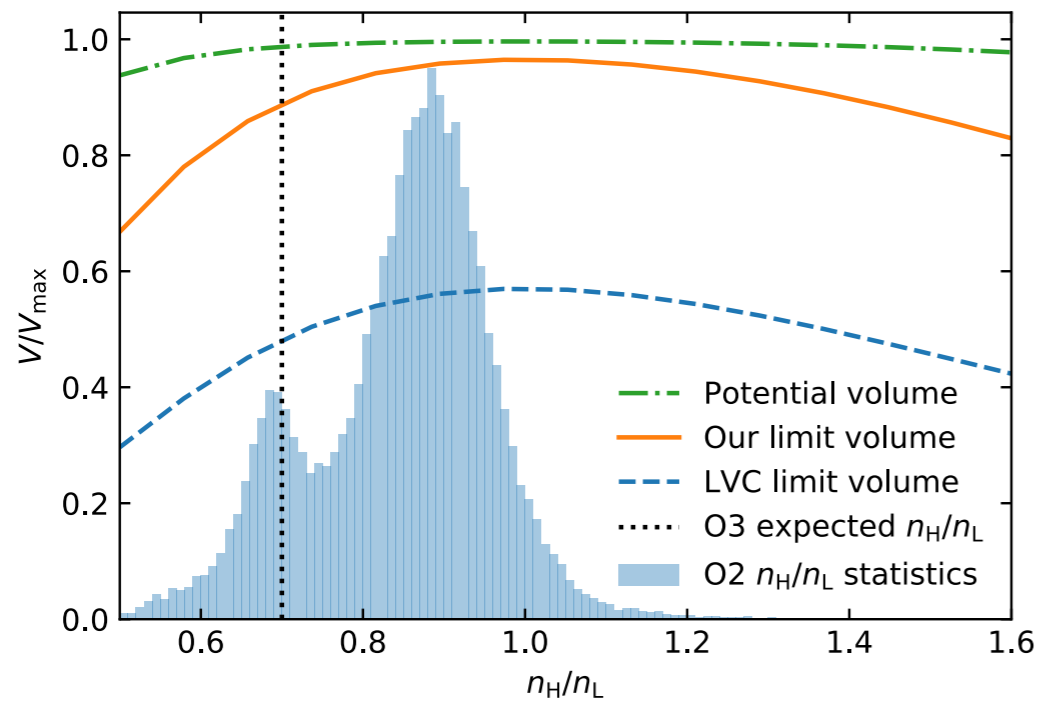
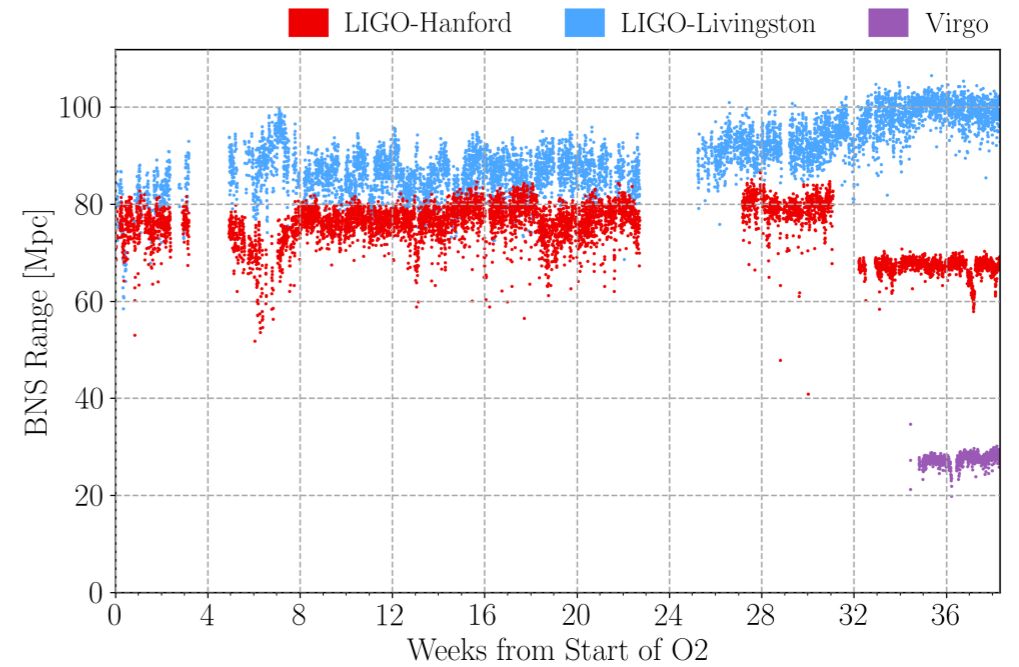
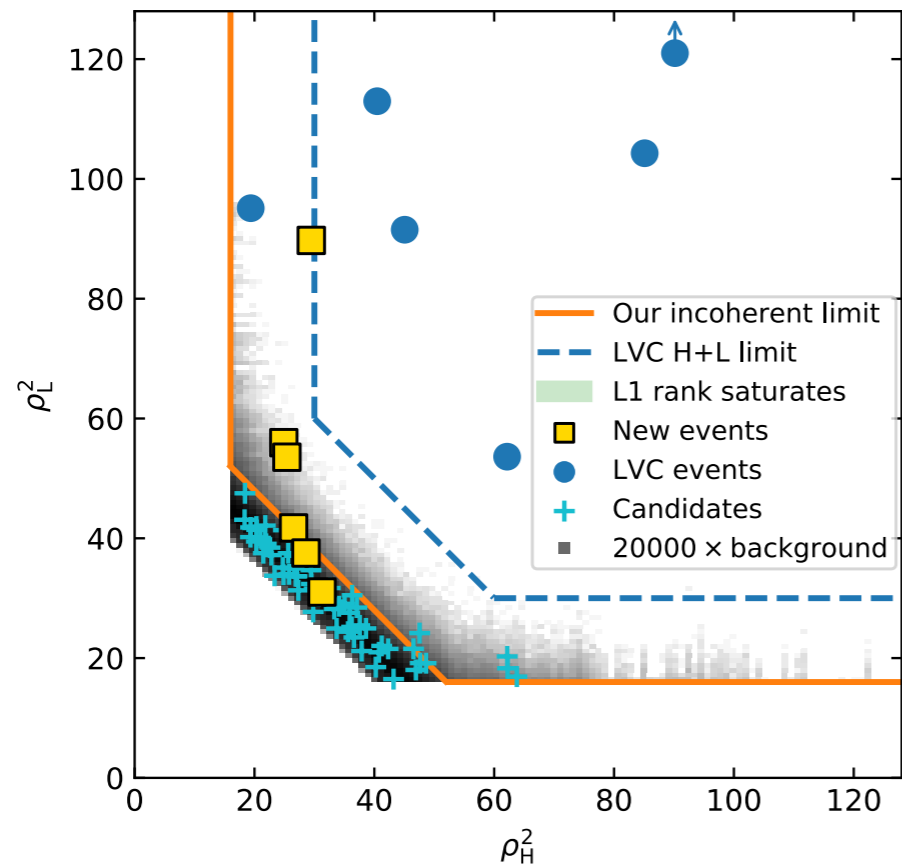
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# Astrophysical implications of GW170121



$\chi_{\text{eff}} < 0$  at  $\sim 96\%$  confidence

# Events lost due to detector asymmetry

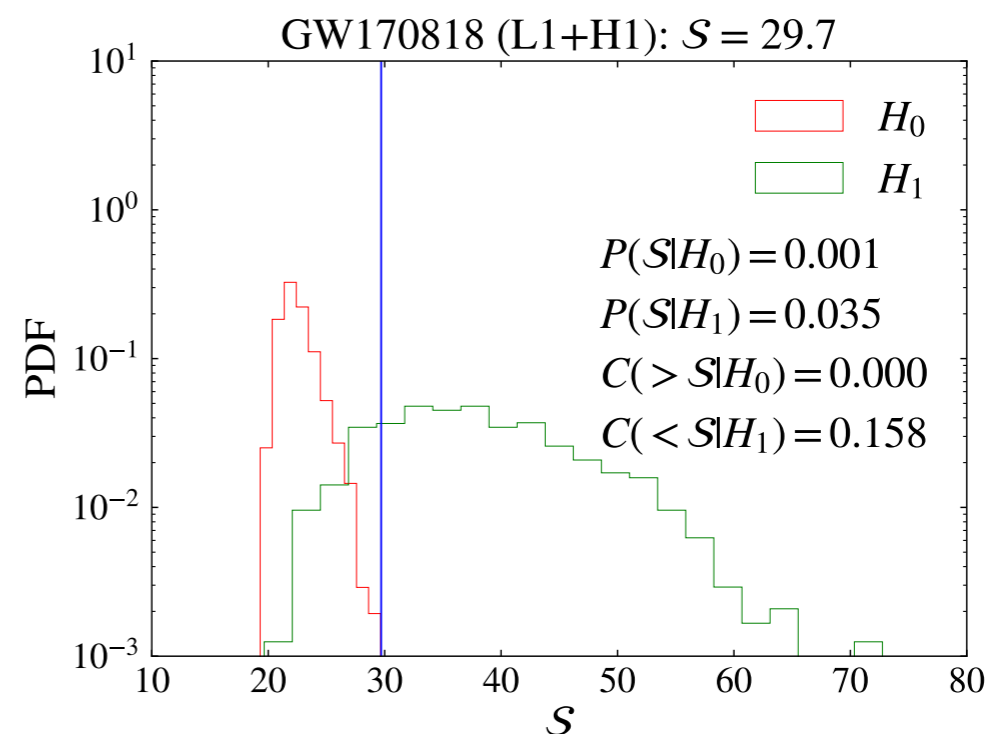
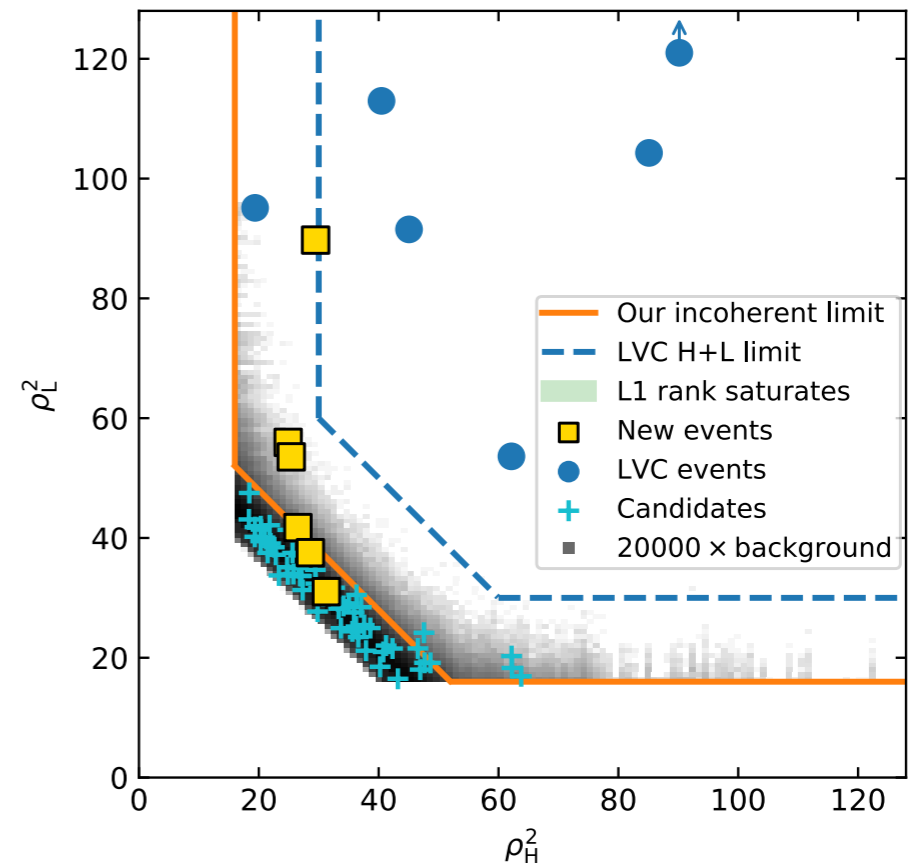


# Solution: Follow up single detector triggers

1. Collect all triggers of interest (TOI), which are veto-passing L1 triggers with  $\rho_L^2 \geq 65$ , and best-fit  $m_c \geq 20 M_\odot$
2. Make a list of glitches ( $\rho_L^2 \geq 55$ ) that are not declared GW events
3. Rank TOI by number of similar glitches (quantified by match between templates), and  $\rho_L^2$
4. Look for evidence from H1

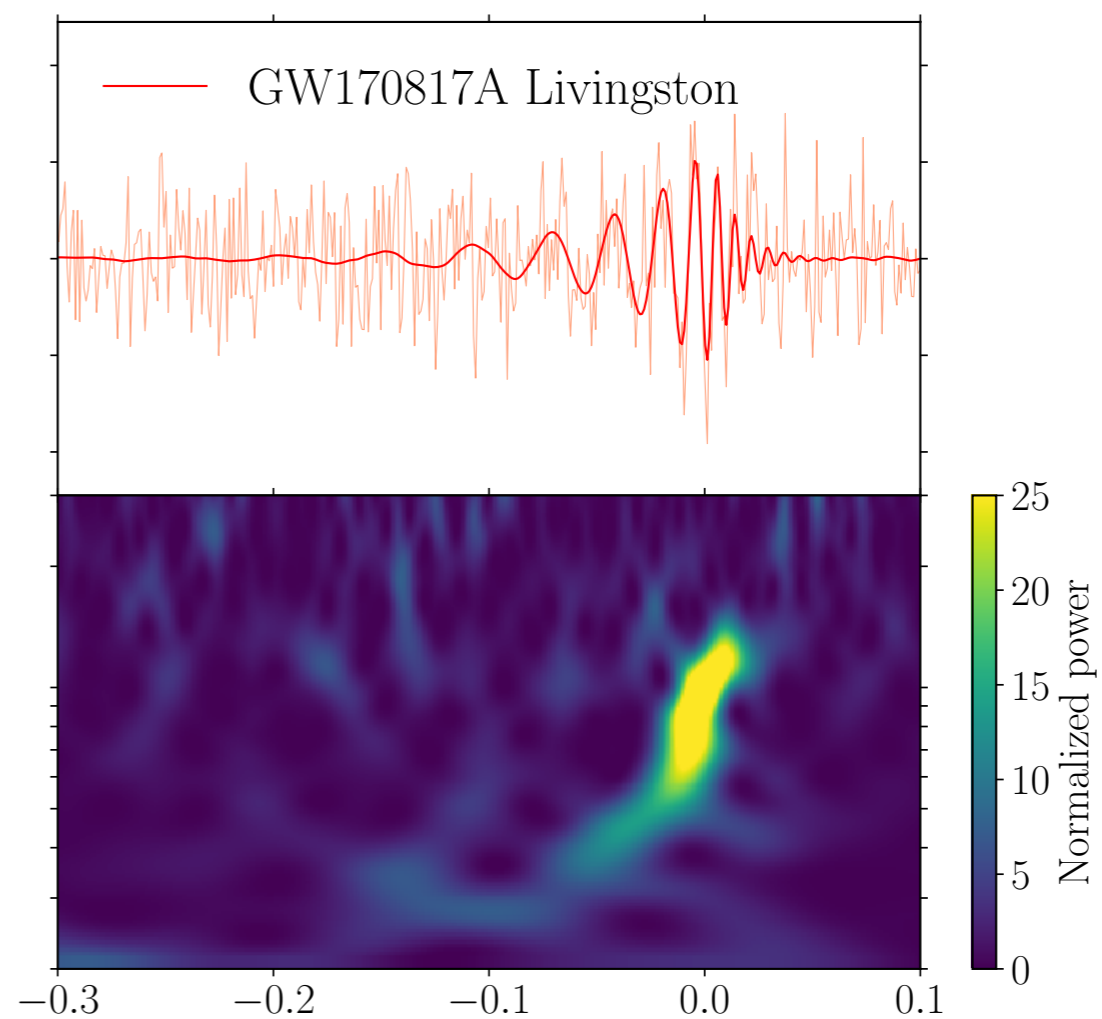
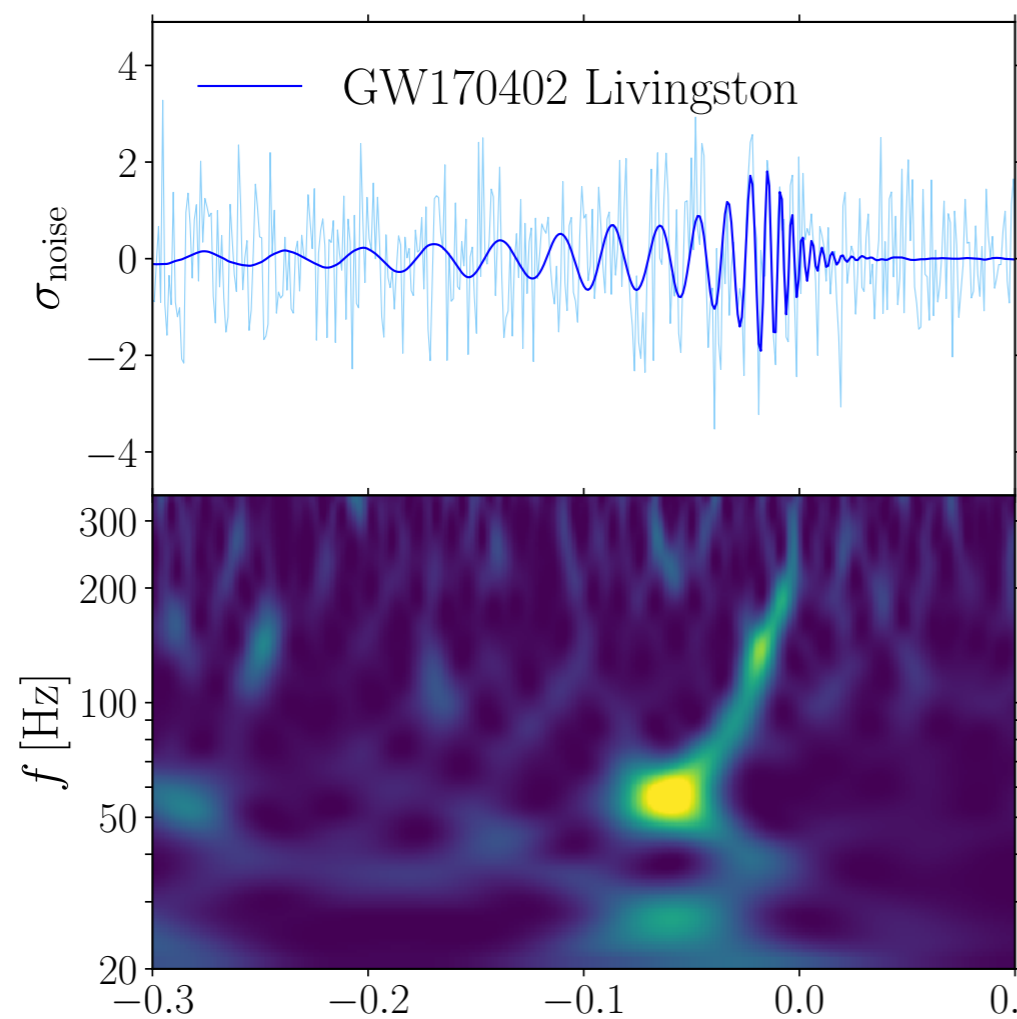
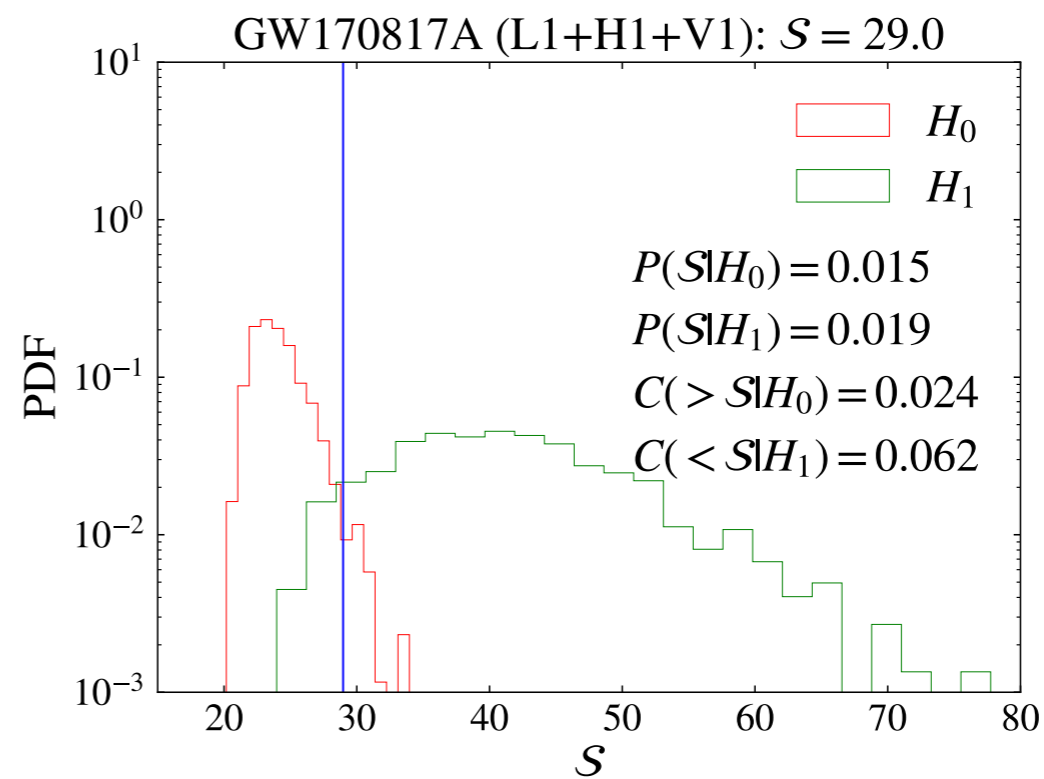
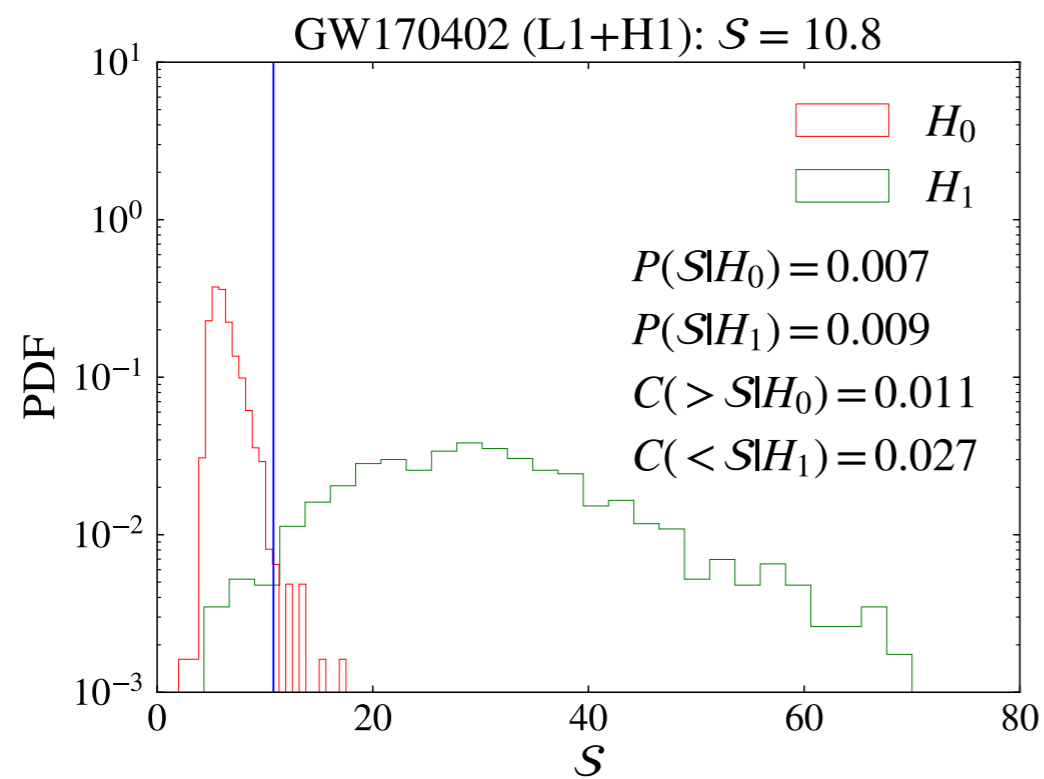
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5. Understand distributions of  $\mathcal{S}$  in the null hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) using time slides
6. Understand distributions of  $\mathcal{S}$  in the signal hypothesis ( $H_1$ ) using injections



# Two new $\sim 1.5$ detector events

Preliminary



# Summary

- The availability of the LIGO data gives the community an opportunity to try new ideas and propose new methods. We are very grateful to the LVC
- We have developed a new pipeline and tried to incorporate several new elements: a new geometric template bank algorithm, PSD drift correction, aggressive data masking and hole filling, objective vetoing of triggers, coherent combination of detectors, etc
- We achieve a significant improvement in sensitive volume
- We have one new event in O1, and six new events in O2 above the thresholds for detection as defined by the LVC
- We see a rapidly spinning merger in O1, and a negatively spinning merger in O2 (at the 96% confidence level)
- Working on the rates, and implications for the astrophysical population

**Bonus slides**

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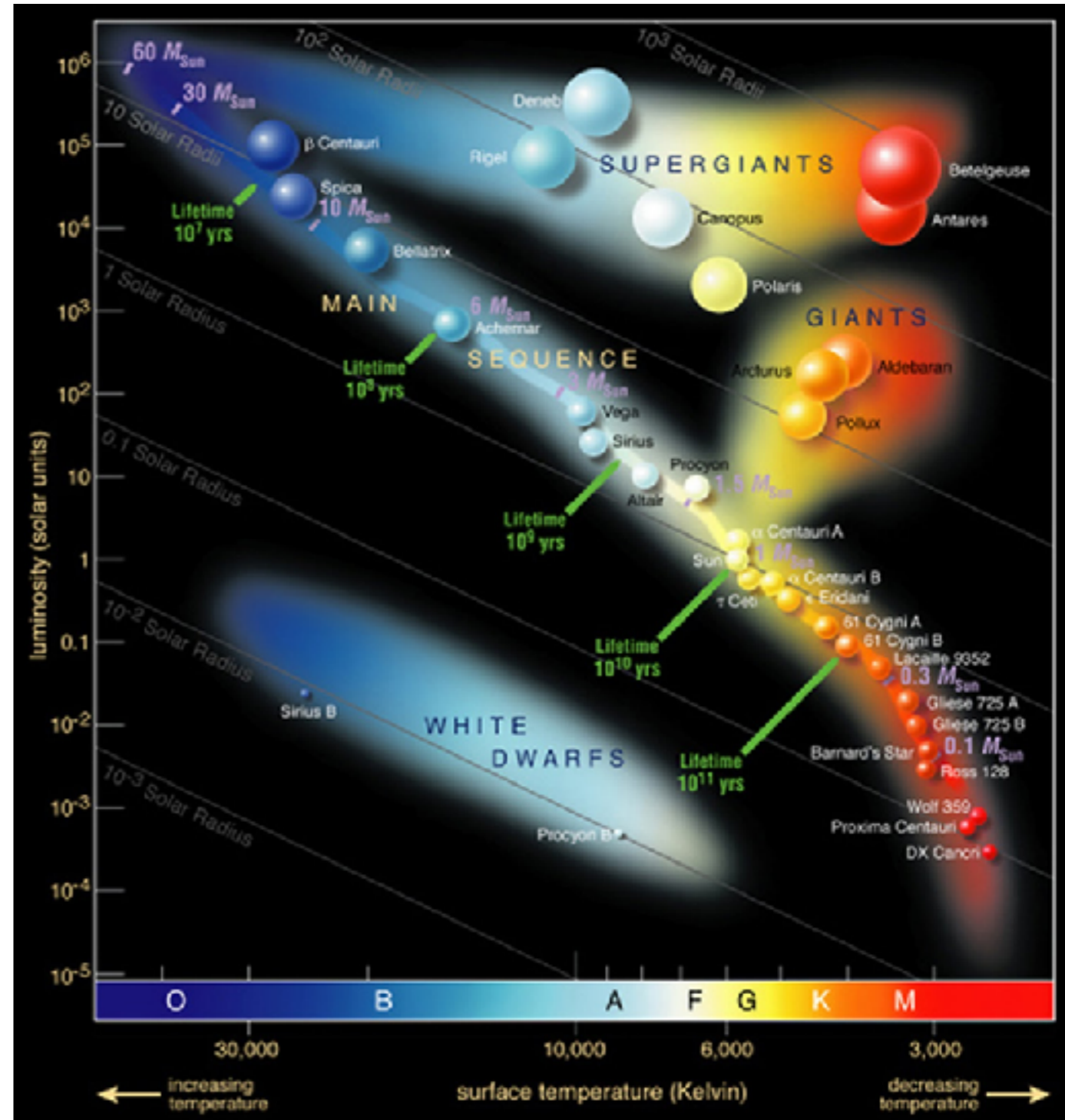


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Chemically homogenous evolution?

Few-body interactions in the field?

Globular clusters?

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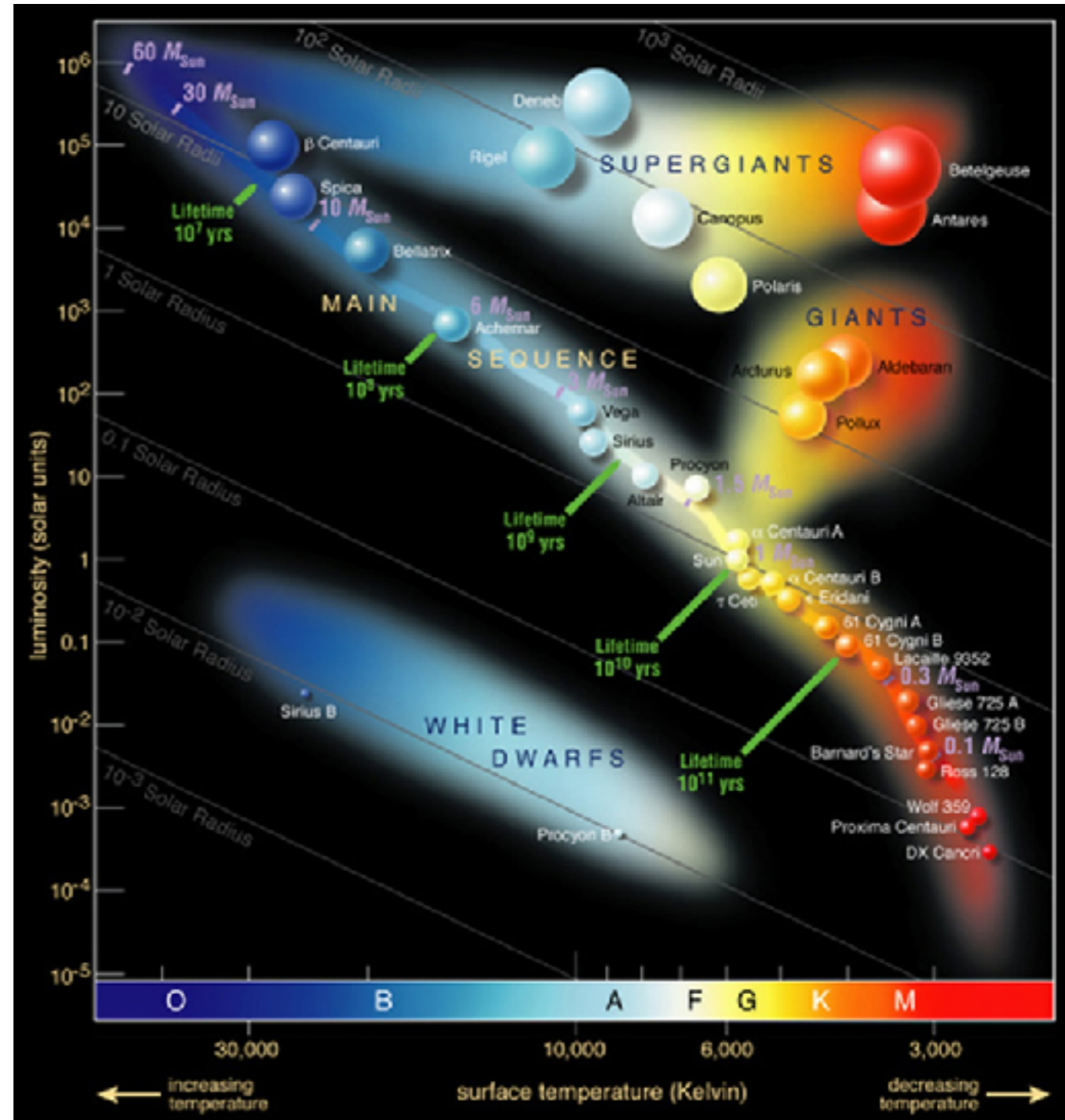


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# Re-weighted SNR

Split waveform into  $p$  bands with equal SNR<sup>2</sup>

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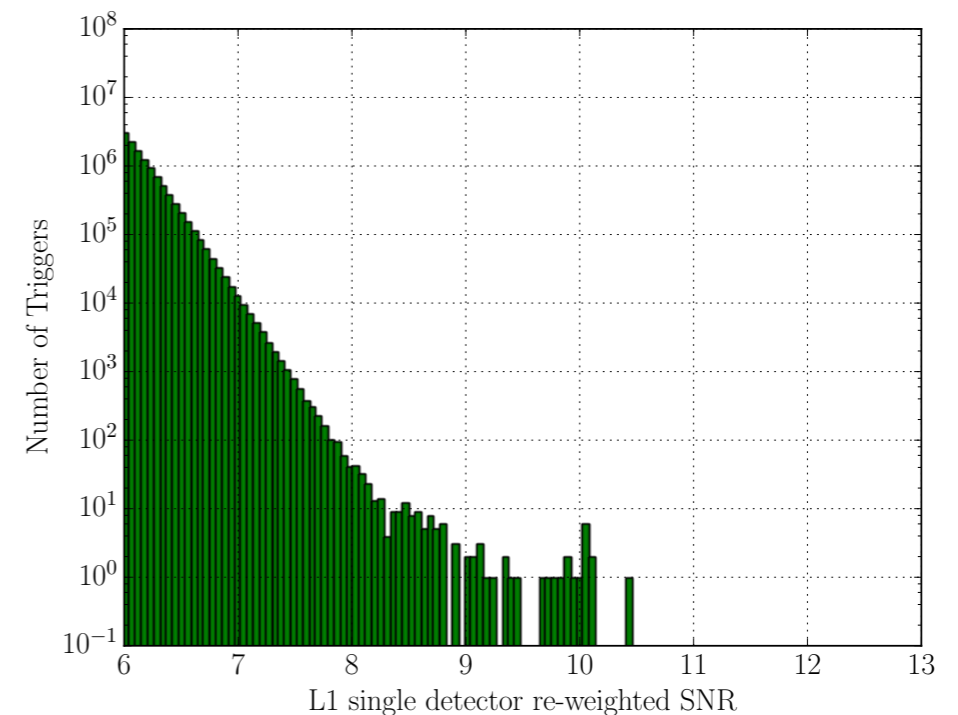
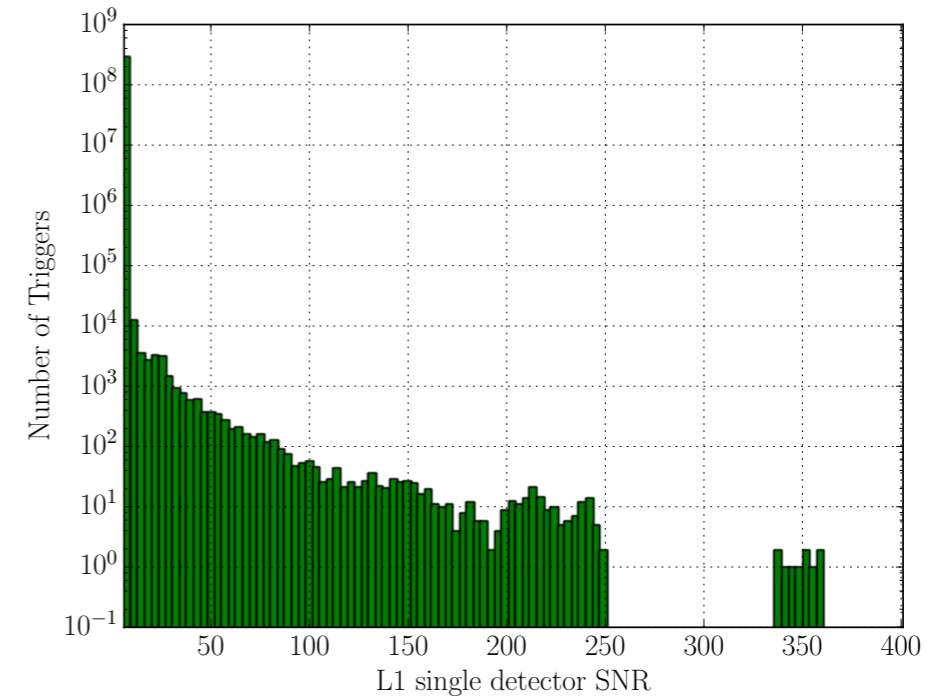
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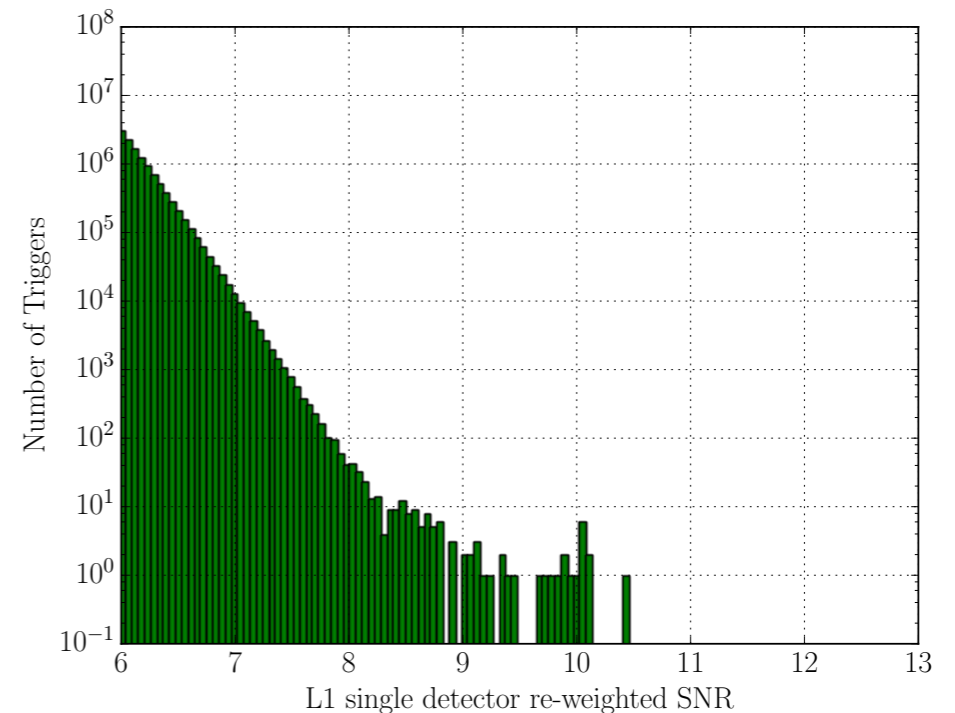
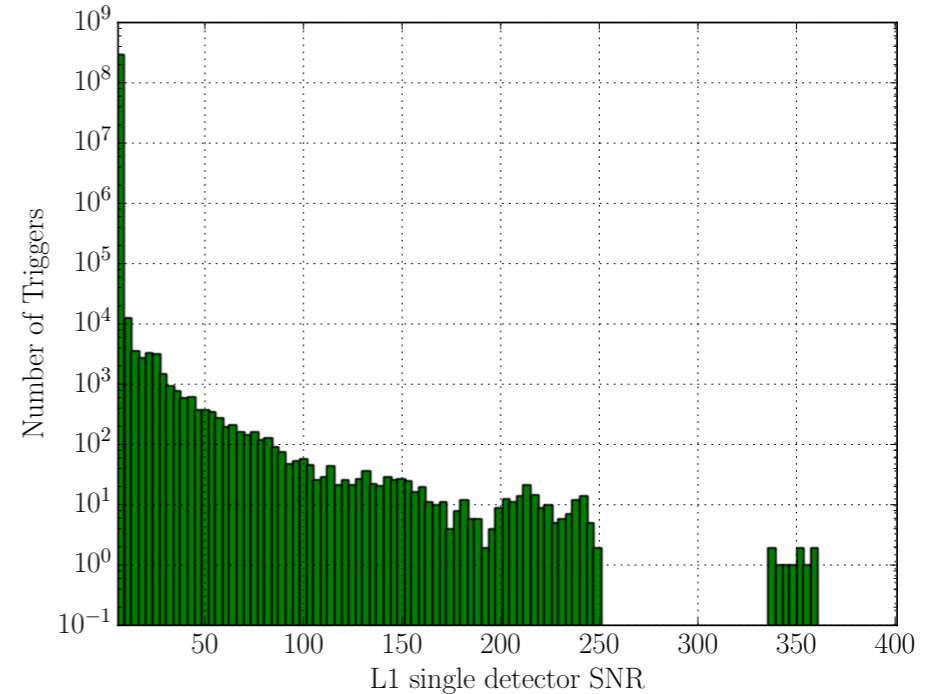
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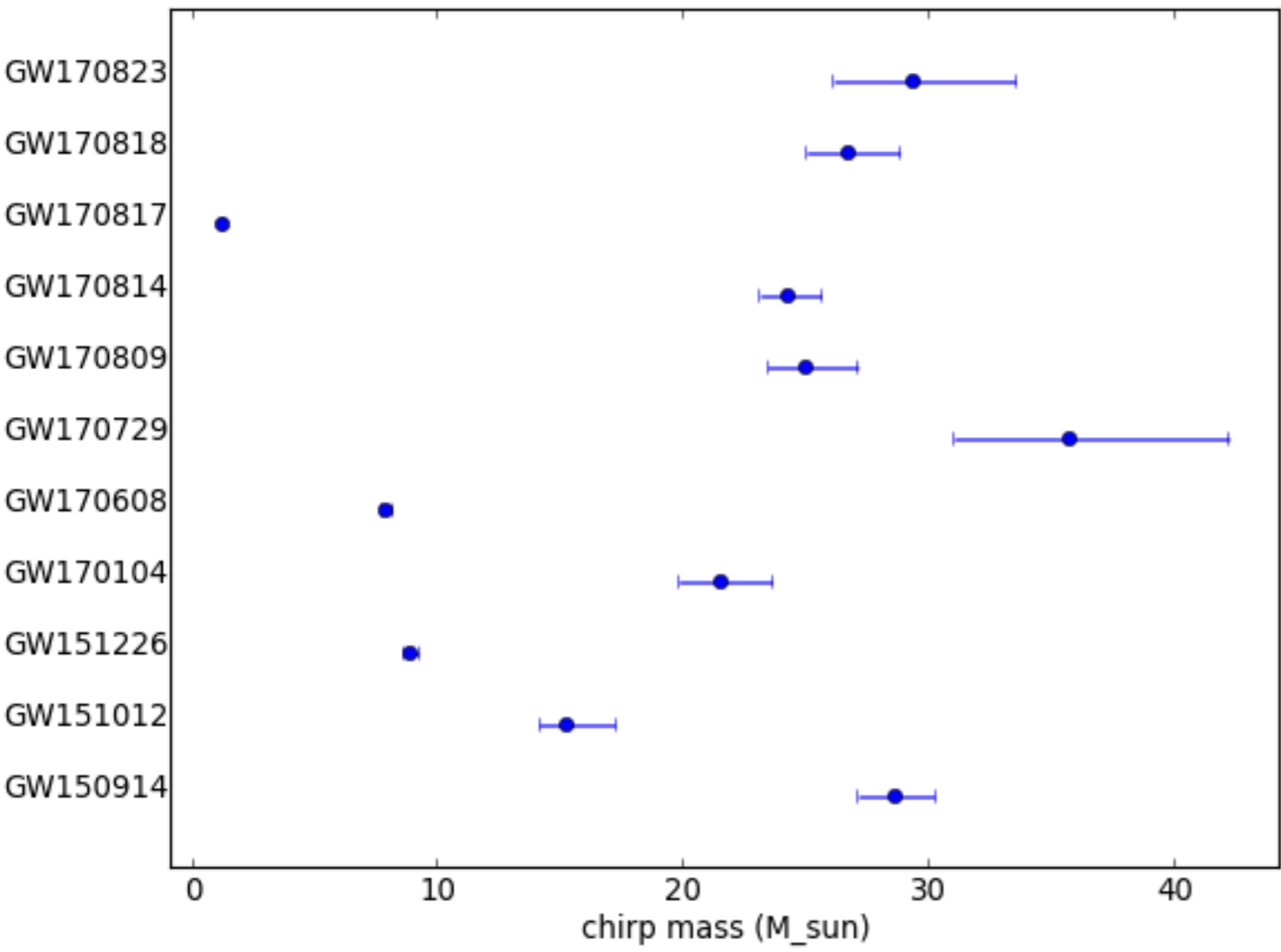
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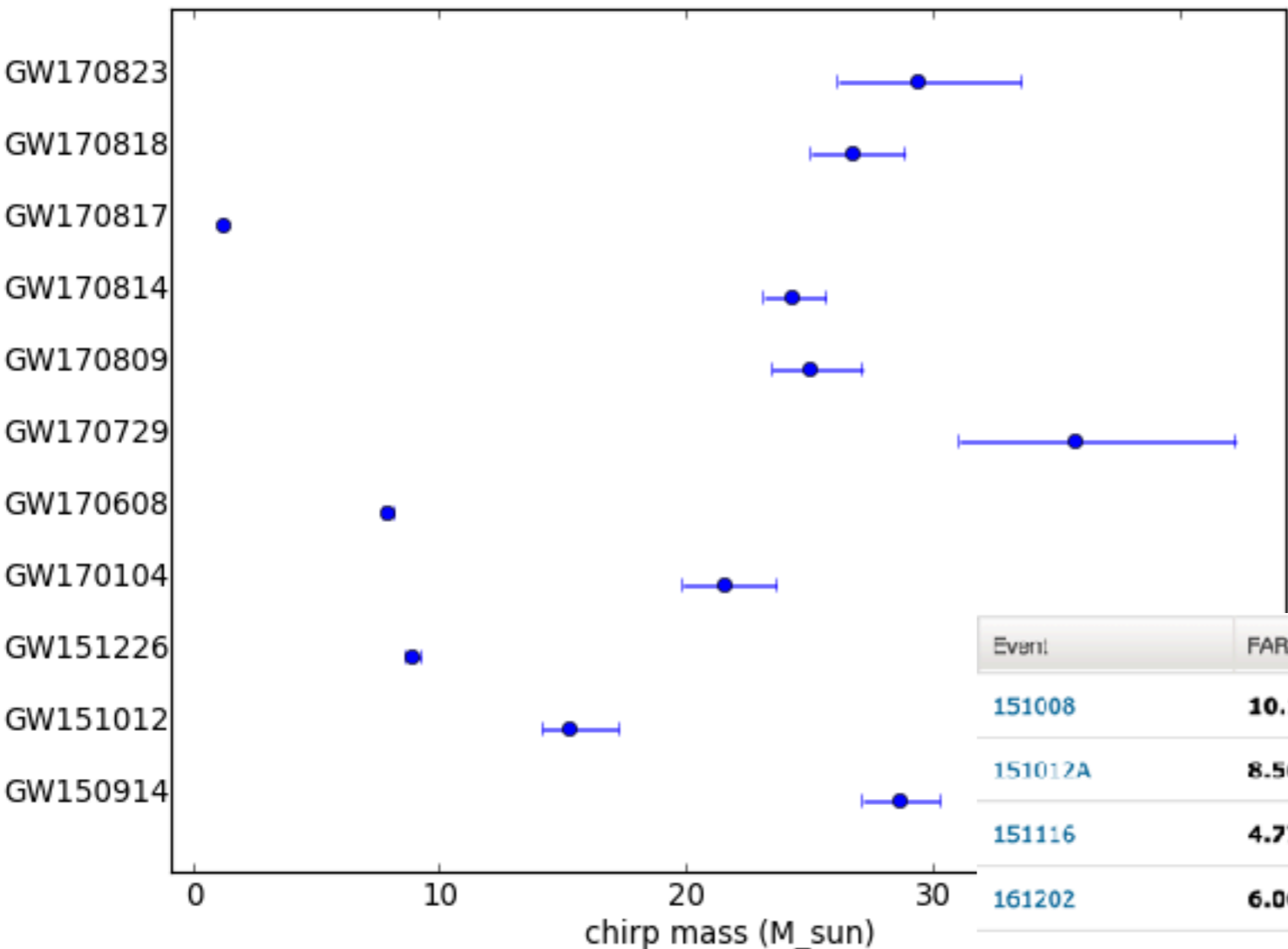
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1. Keeps glitches in
2. Touches the Gaussian part
3. At low SNR, the distribution is not Gaussian even after, are glitches really this frequent?





## Detections



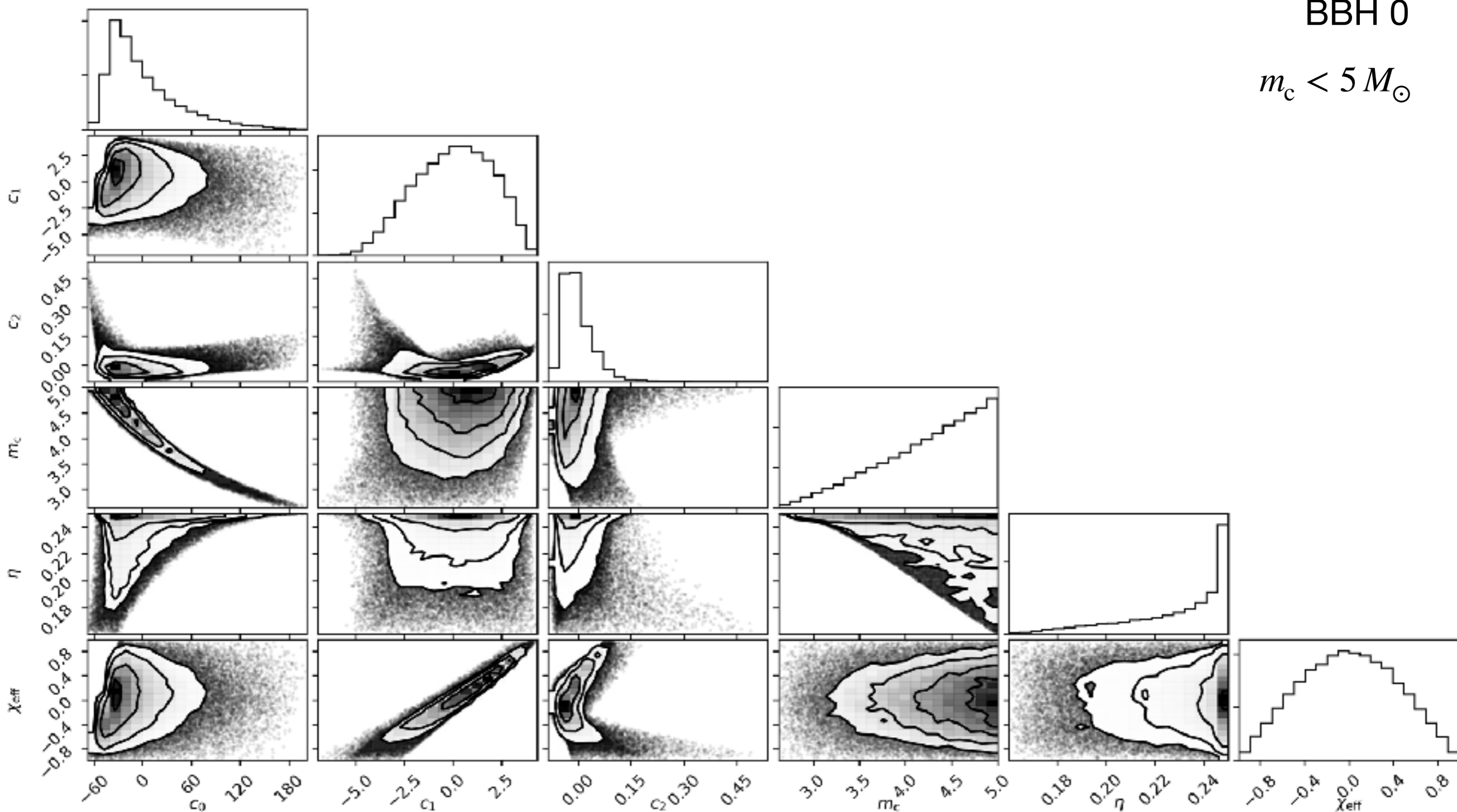
Event	FAR (yr <sup>-1</sup> )	Network SNR	Detector frame chirp mass (M <sub>sun</sub> )
151008	10.17	8.8	5.12
151012A	8.56	9.6	2.01
151116	4.77	9.0	1.24
161202	6.00	10.5	1.54
161217	10.12	10.7	7.86
170208	11.18	10.0	7.39
170219	6.26	9.6	1.53
170405	4.55	9.3	1.44
170412	8.22	9.7	4.36
170423	6.47	8.9	1.17
170616	1.94	9.1	2.75
170630	10.46	9.7	0.90
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# Coefficients and Parameters

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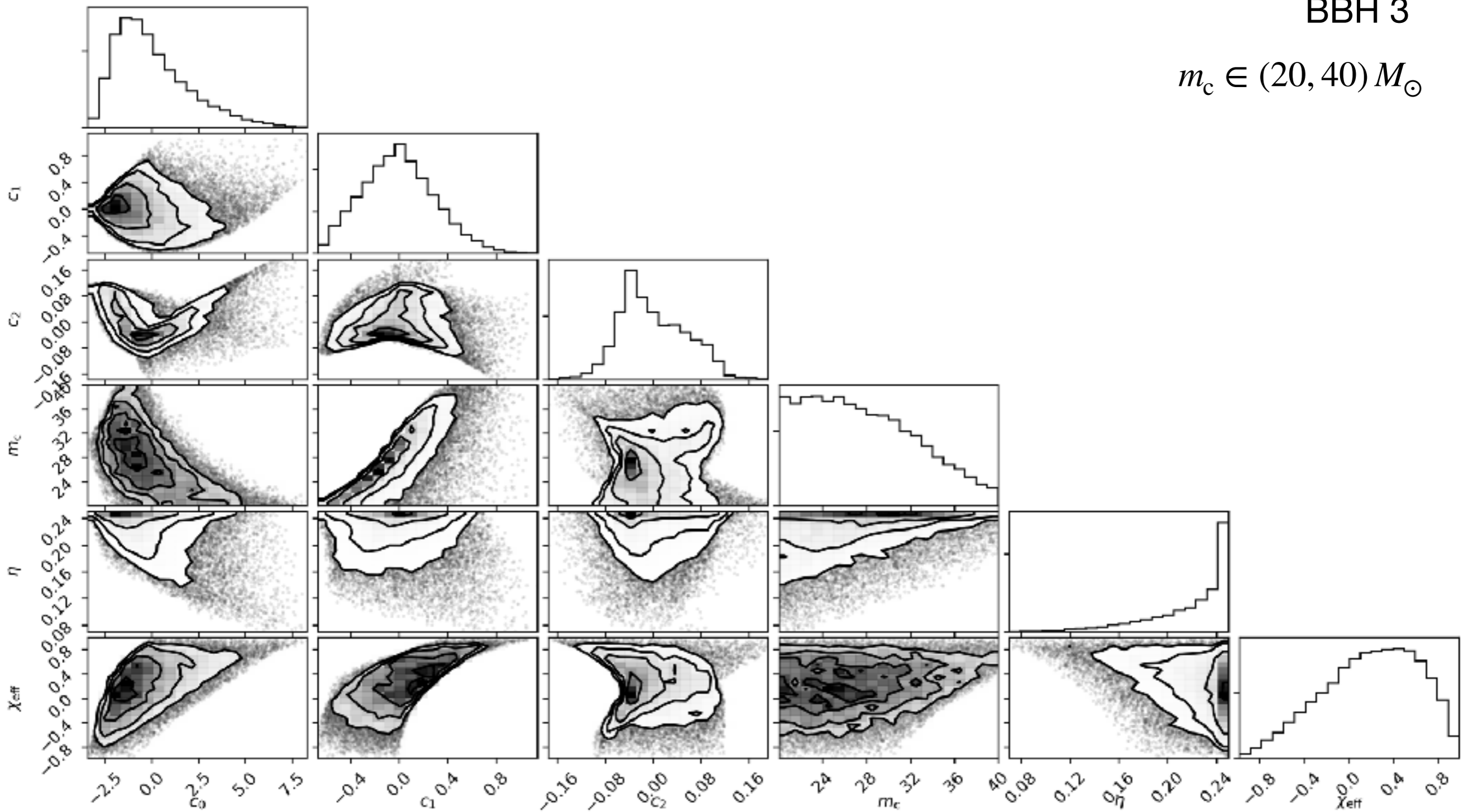
$$m_c < 5 M_\odot$$



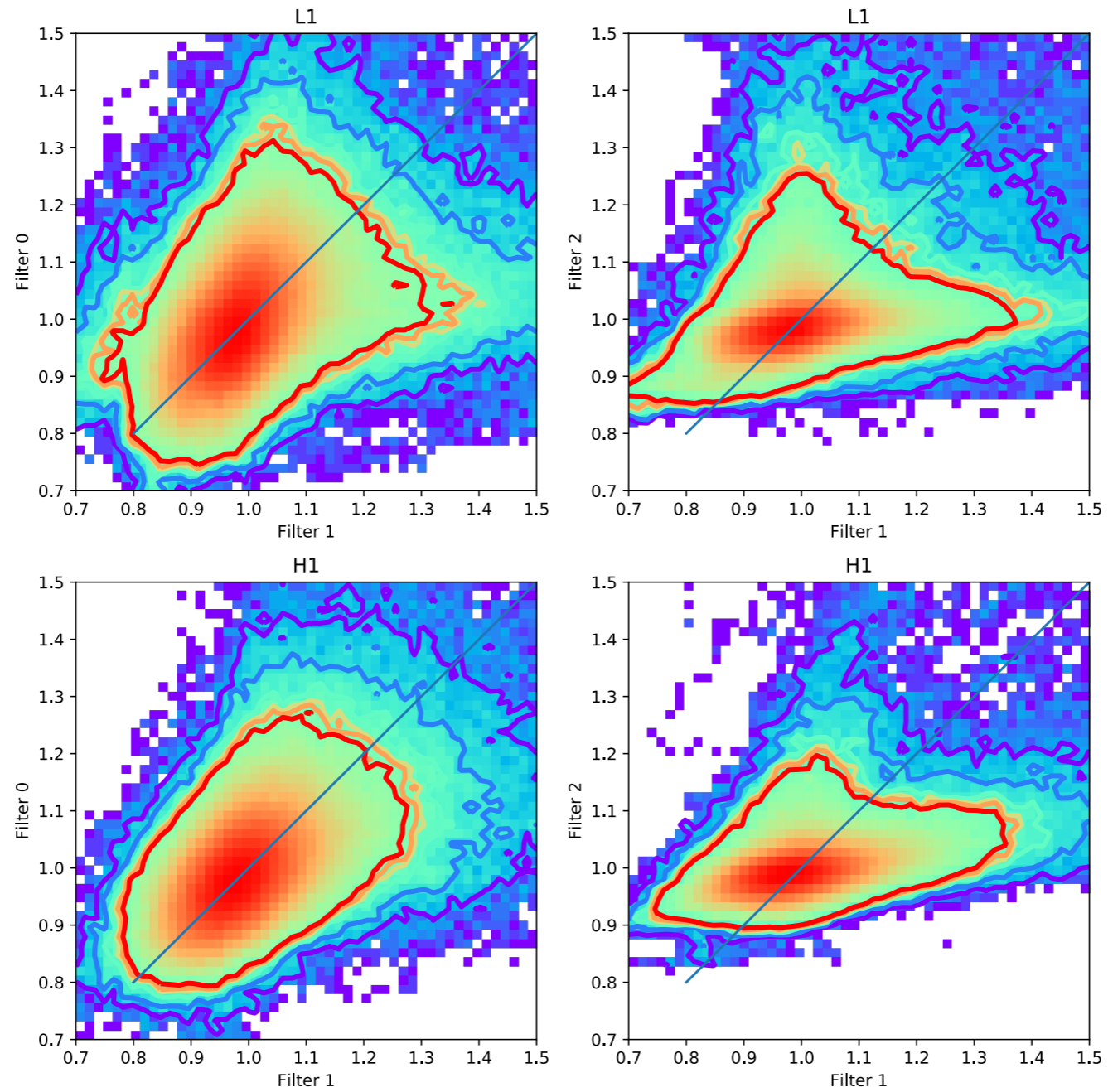
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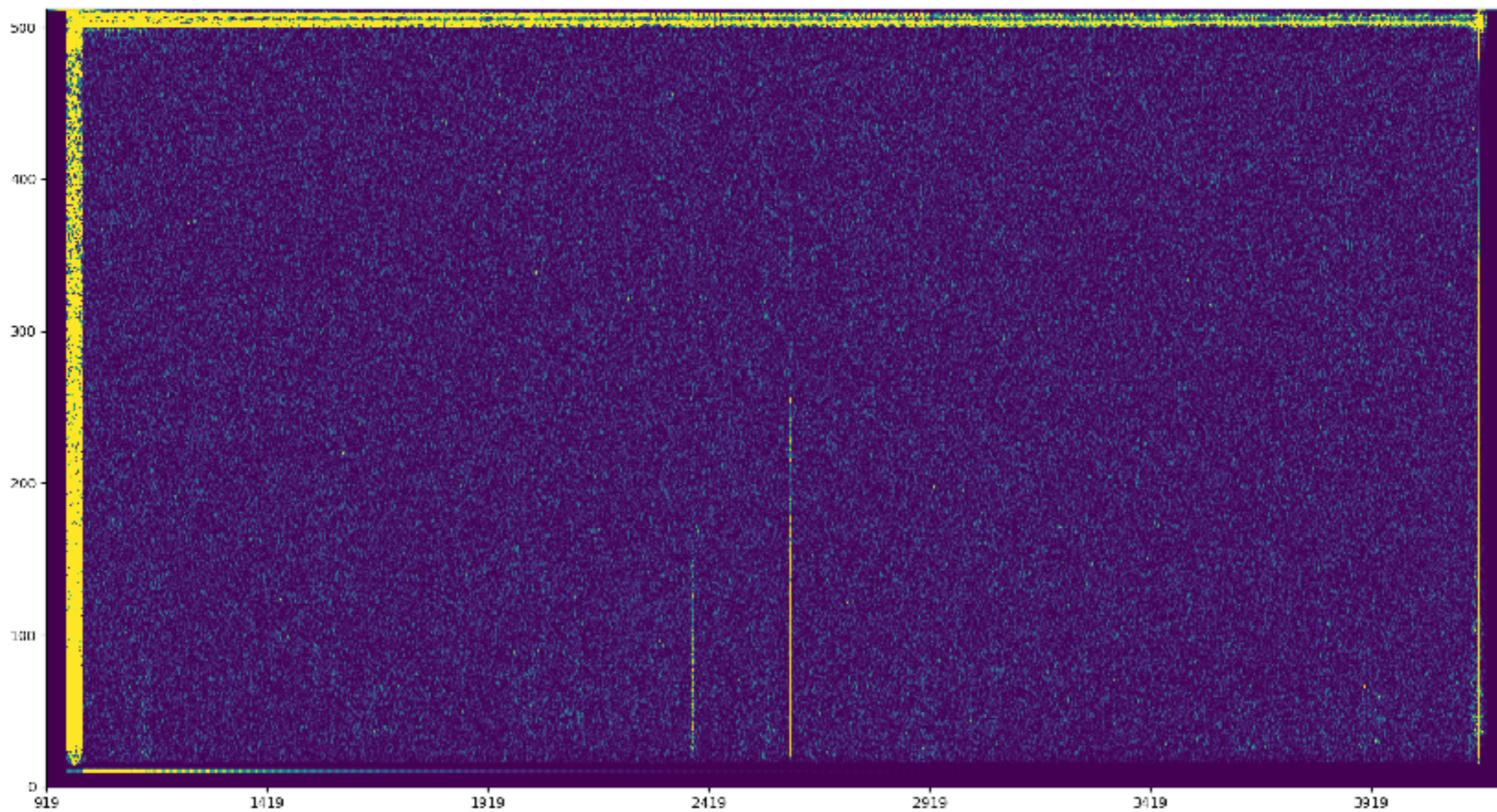
$m_c \in (20, 40) M_\odot$



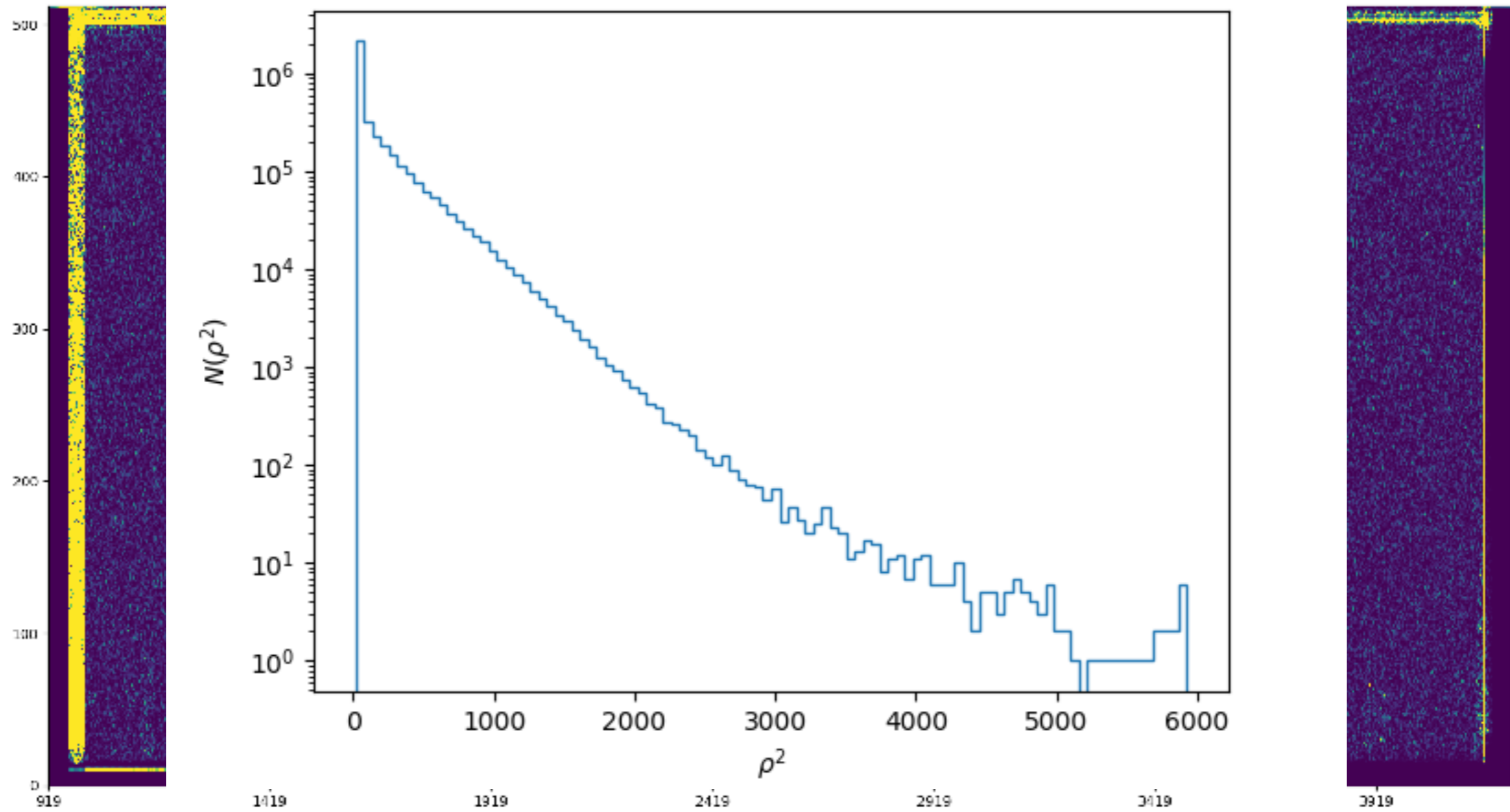
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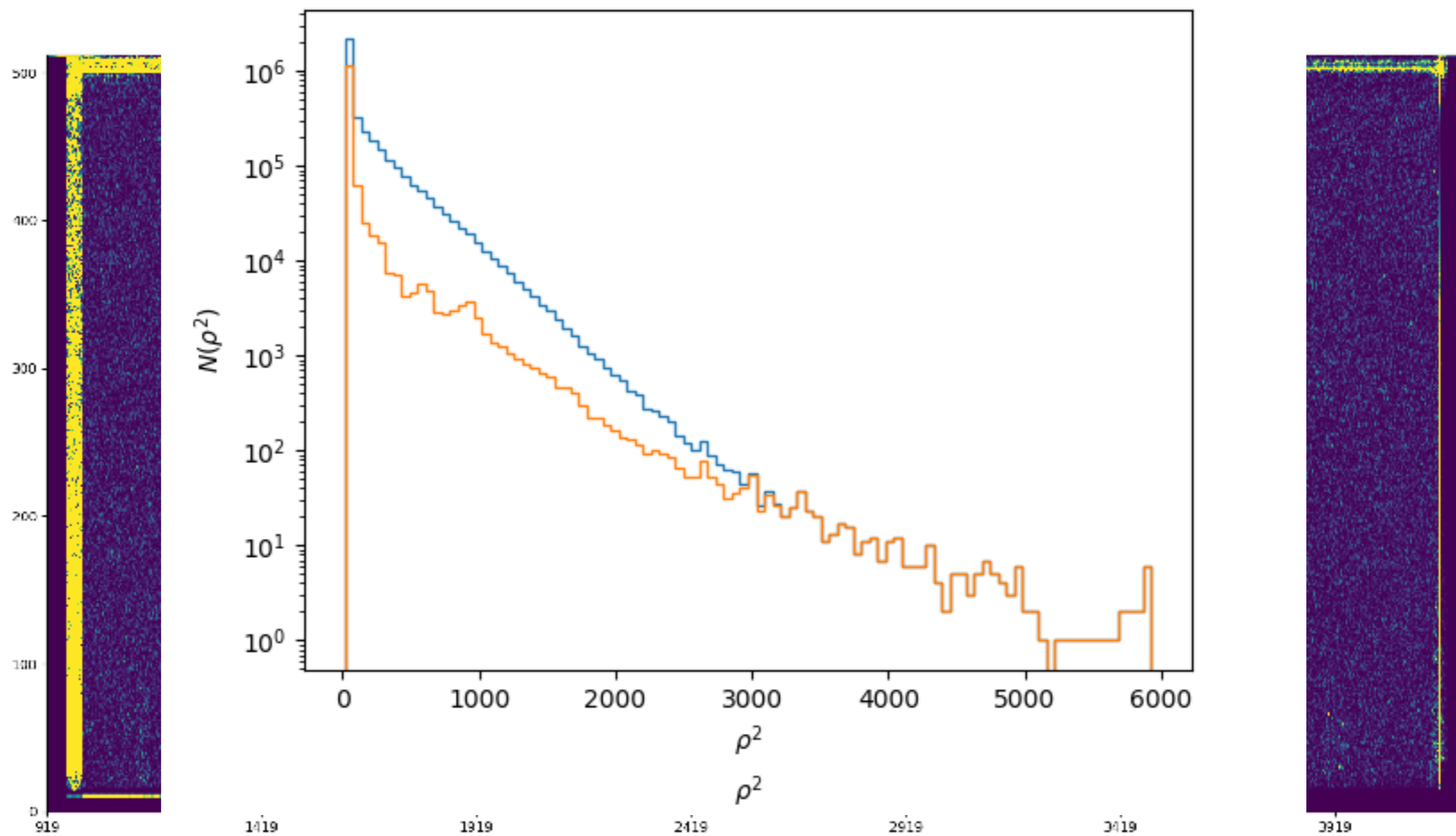
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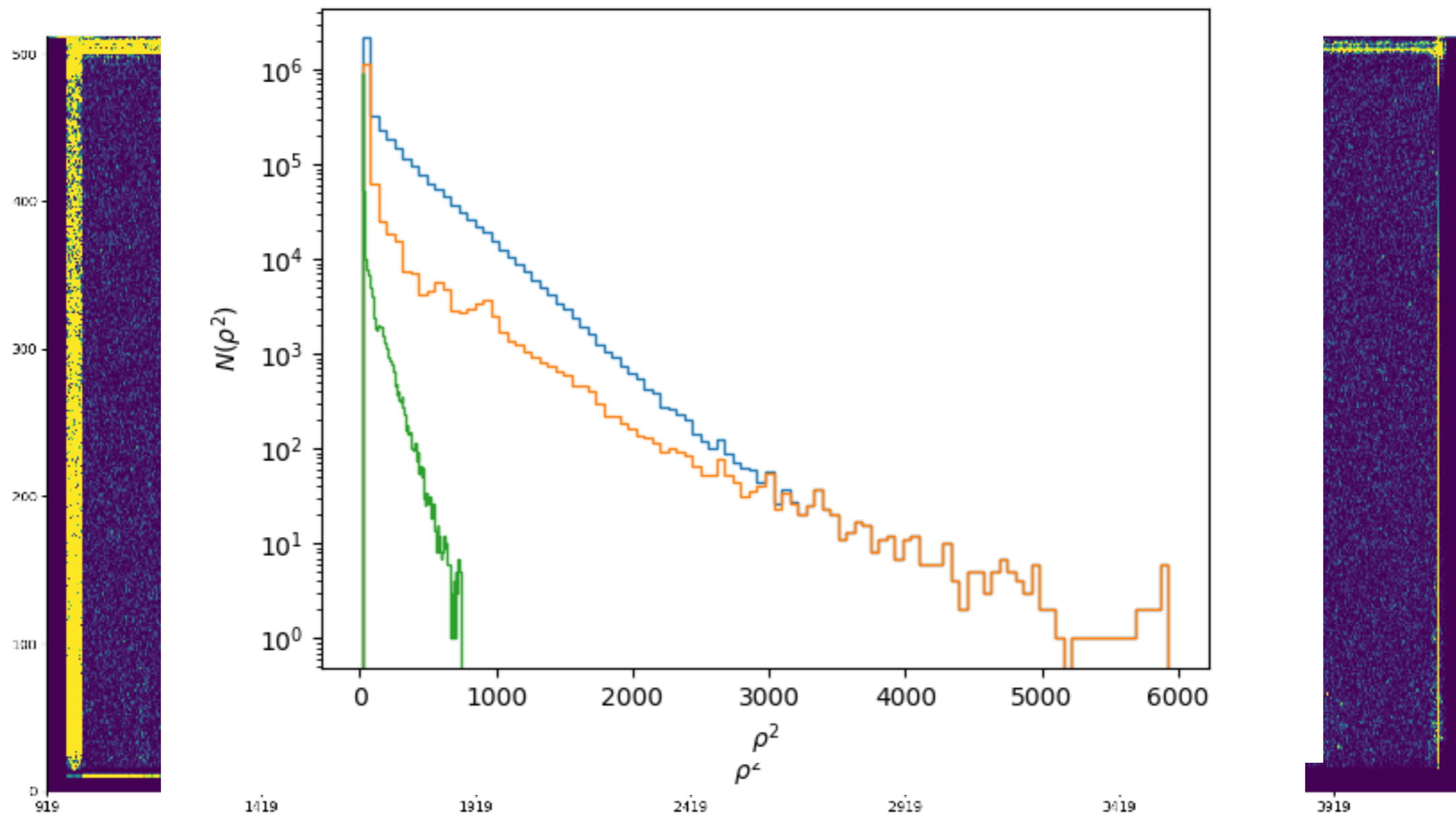
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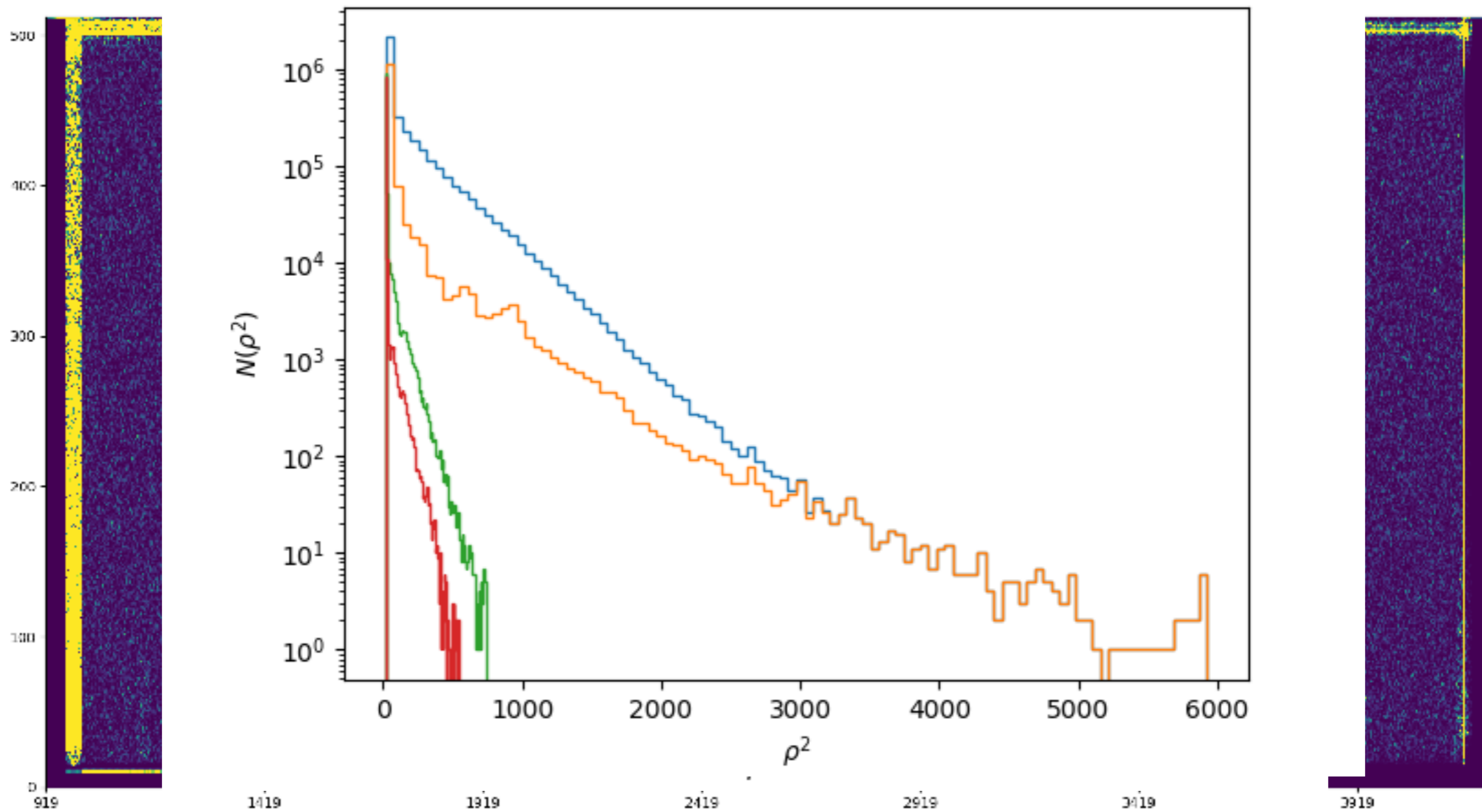
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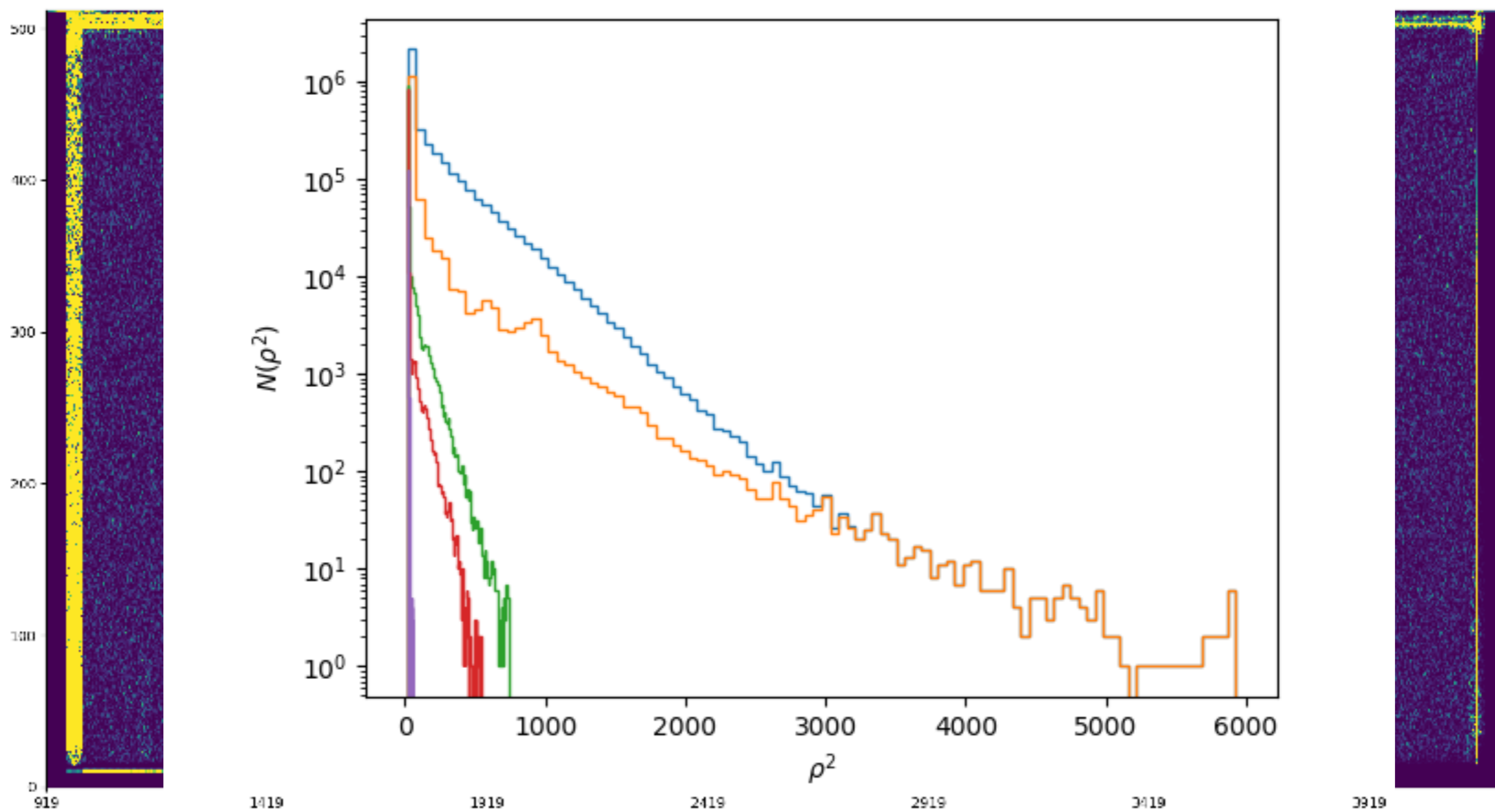


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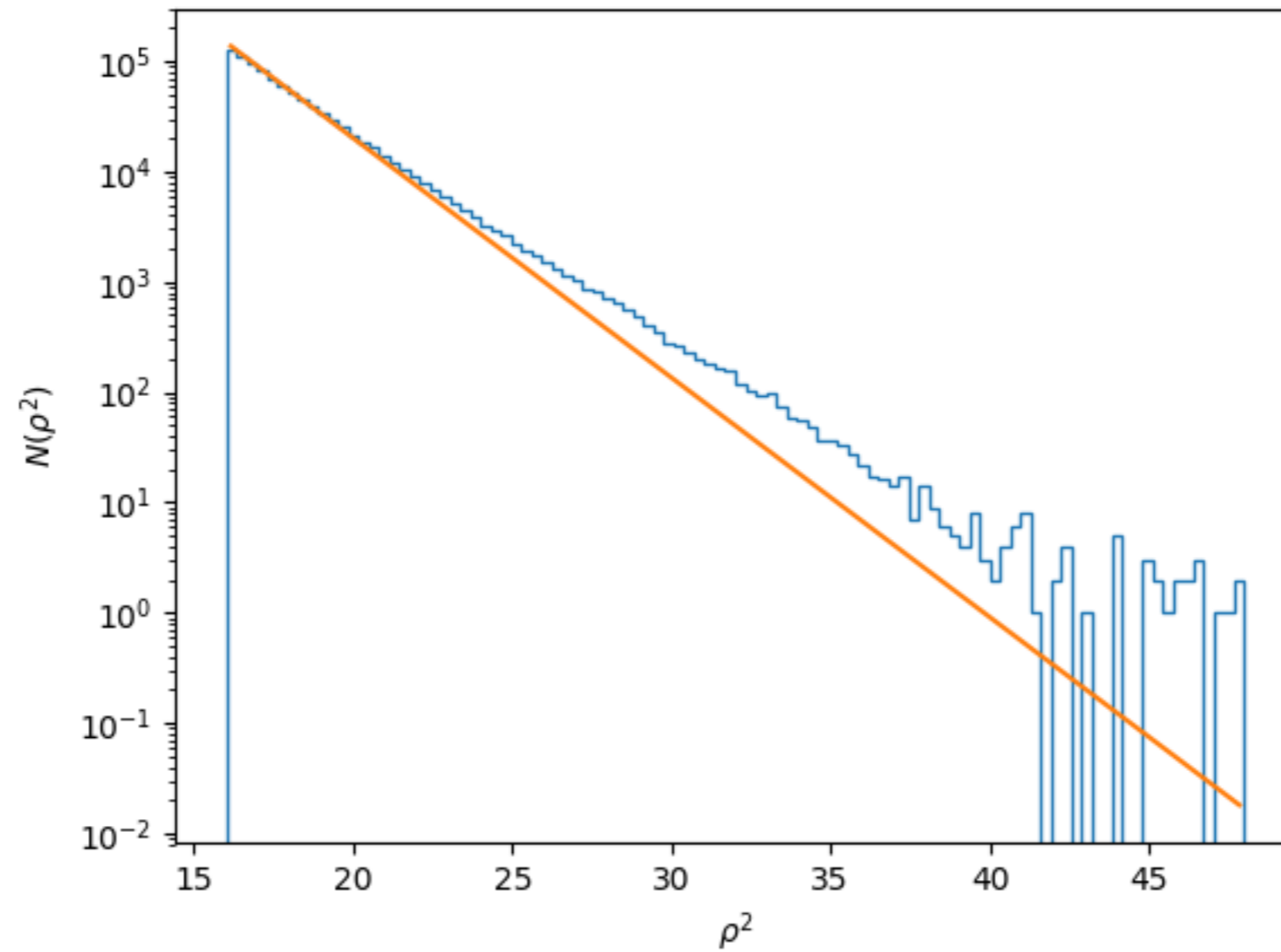
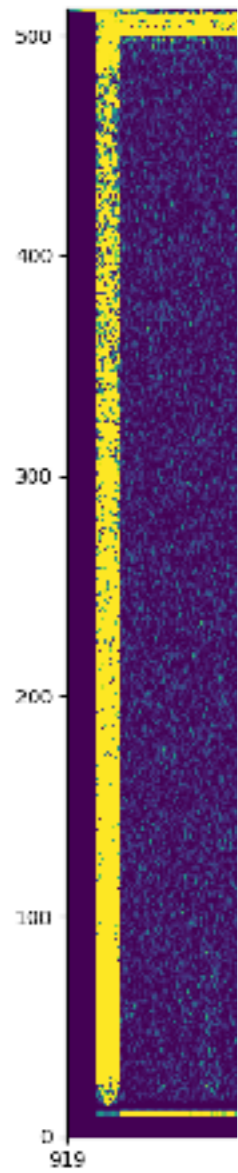




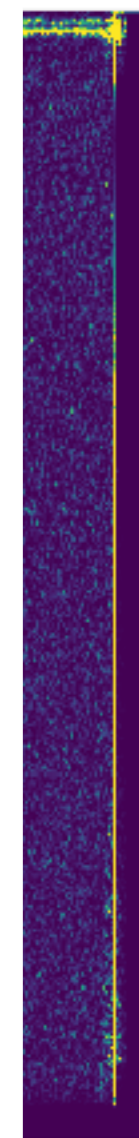
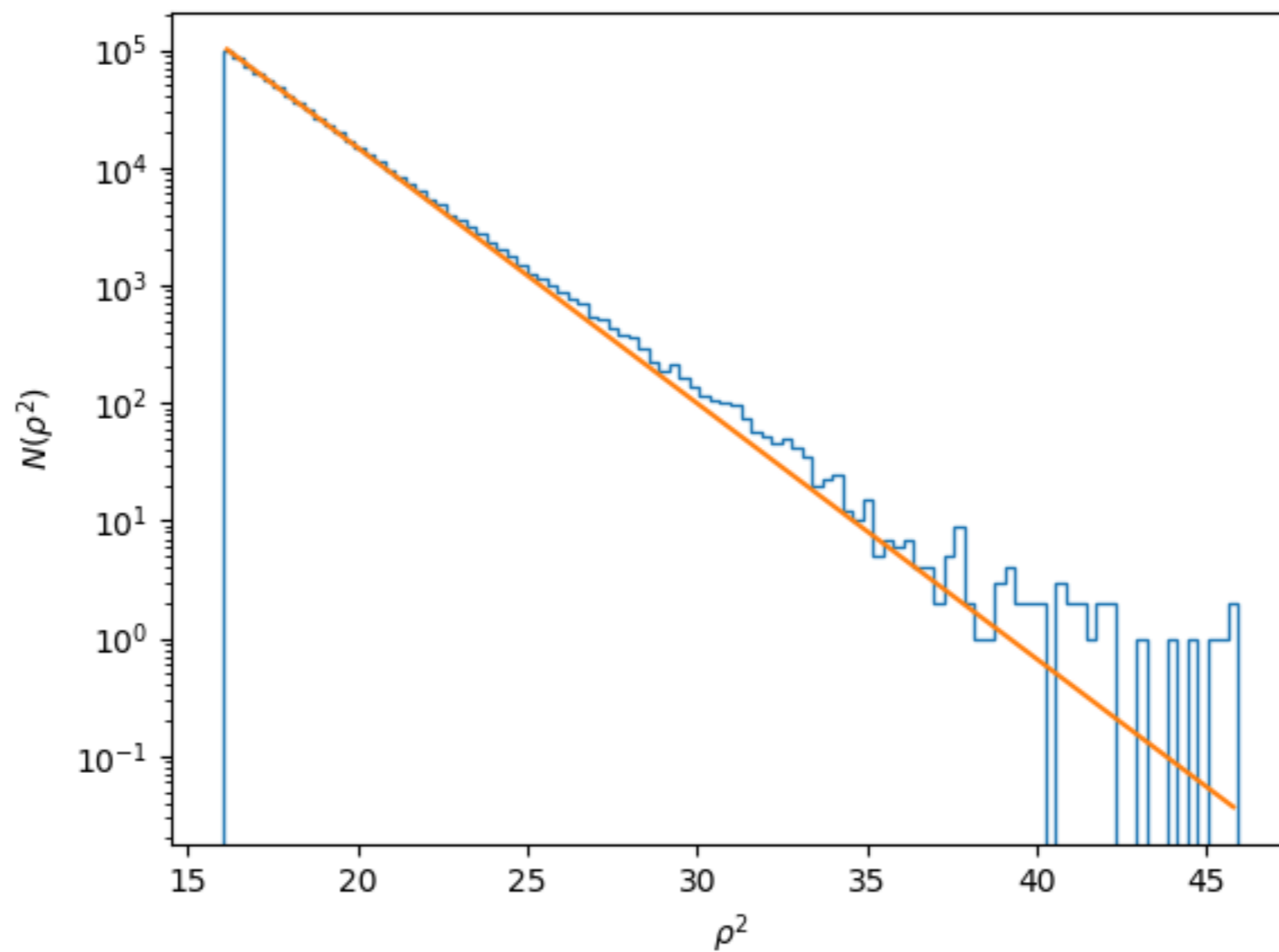
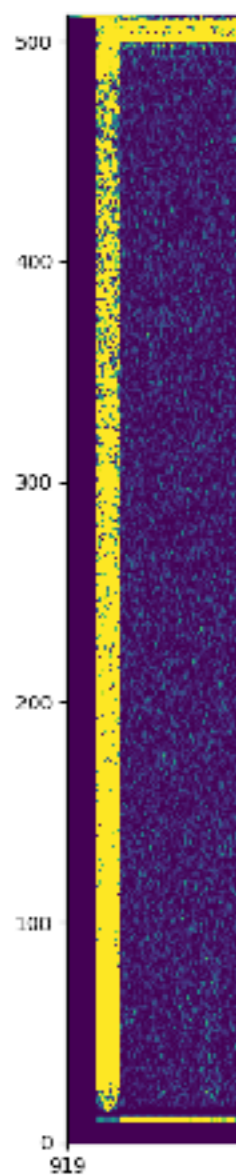
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# Collect Coincident and Background Events

Livingston, Louisiana 70754

Hanford, Washington 99343

Depart at 2:00 AM Mon, Sep 14

Send directions to you

September 2015						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10

via I-84  
DETAILS

via I-40 W and I-84  
2,350 miles

via I-70 W and I-84  
typically 35 - 39 h  
2,455 miles

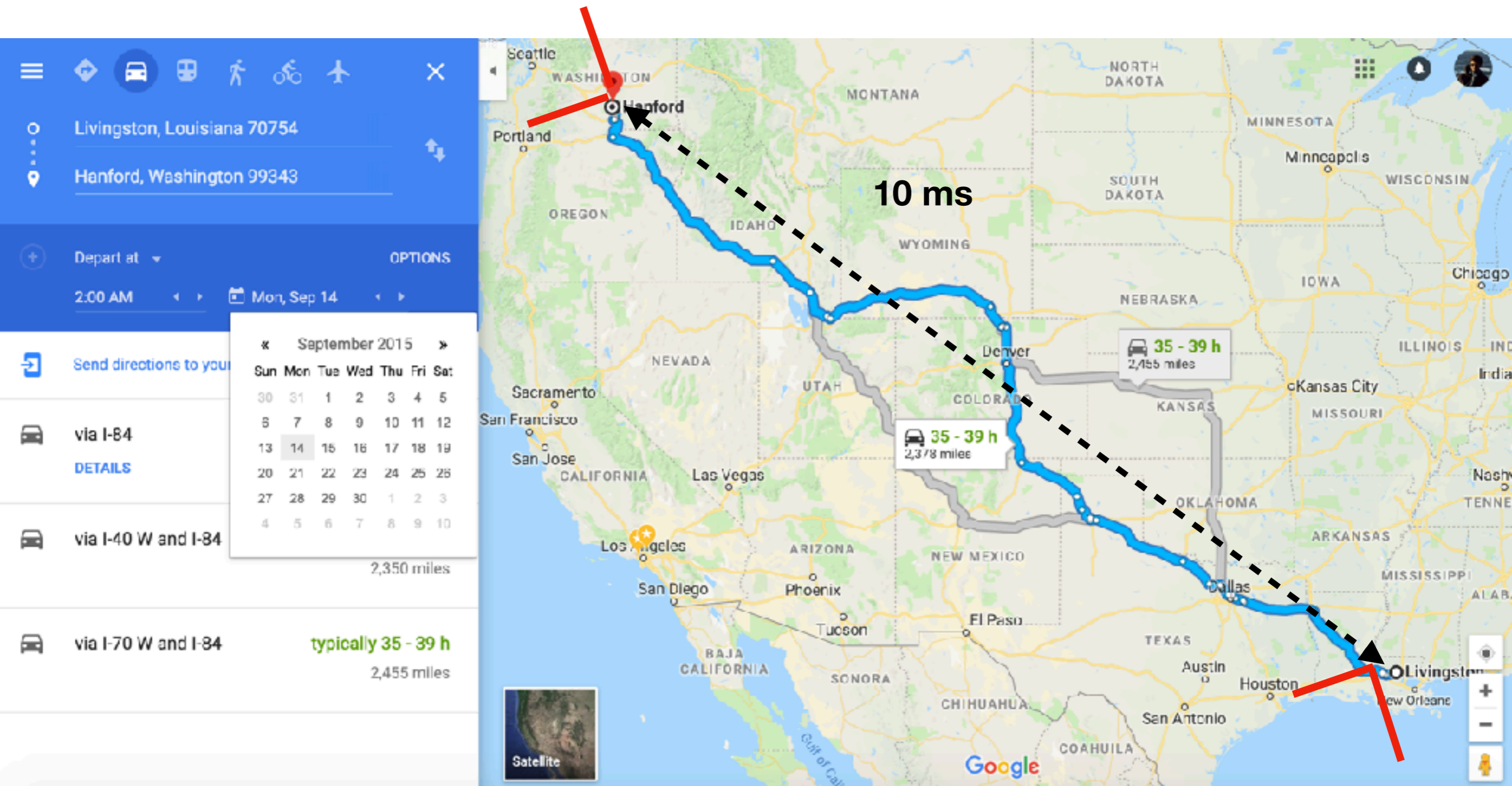
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2,378 miles

Satellite

Google

# Collect Coincident and Background Events



Shift data stream by  $t > 10$  ms to estimate background

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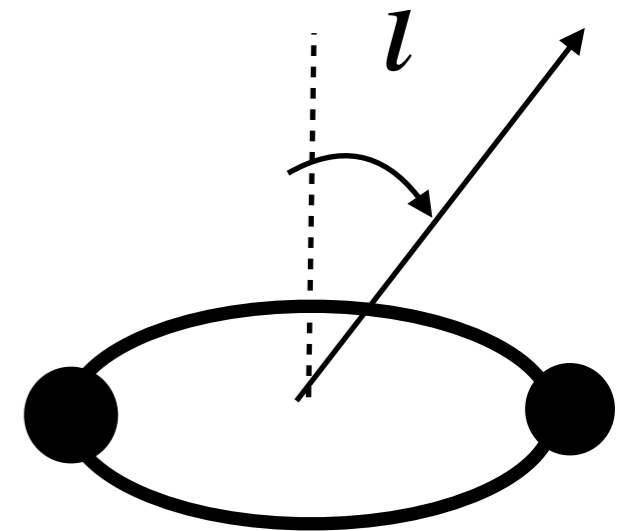
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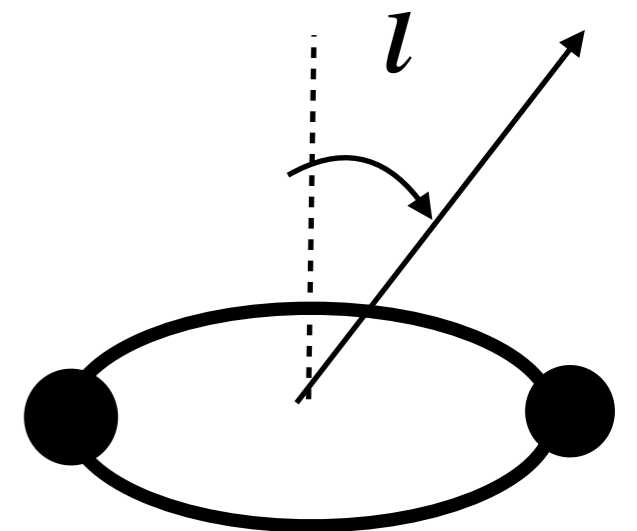
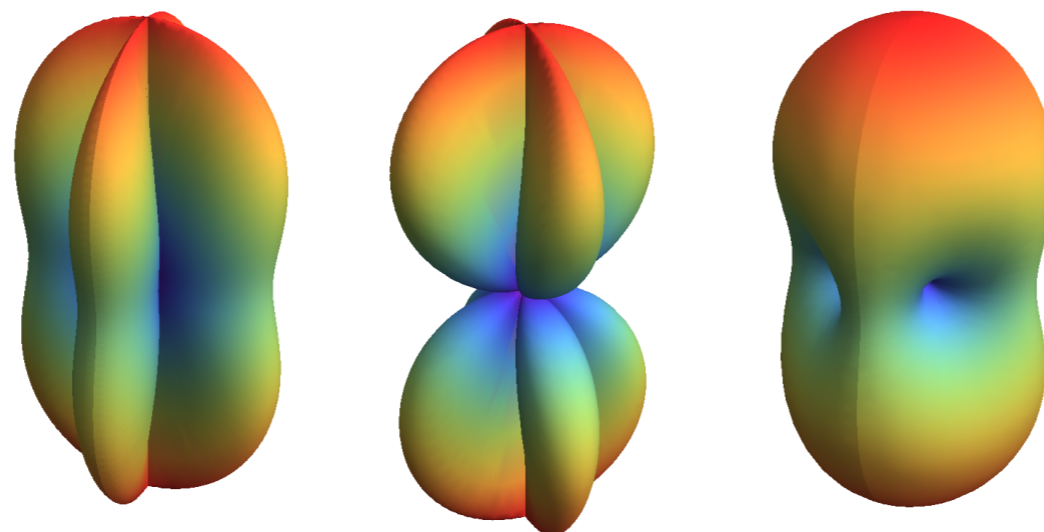
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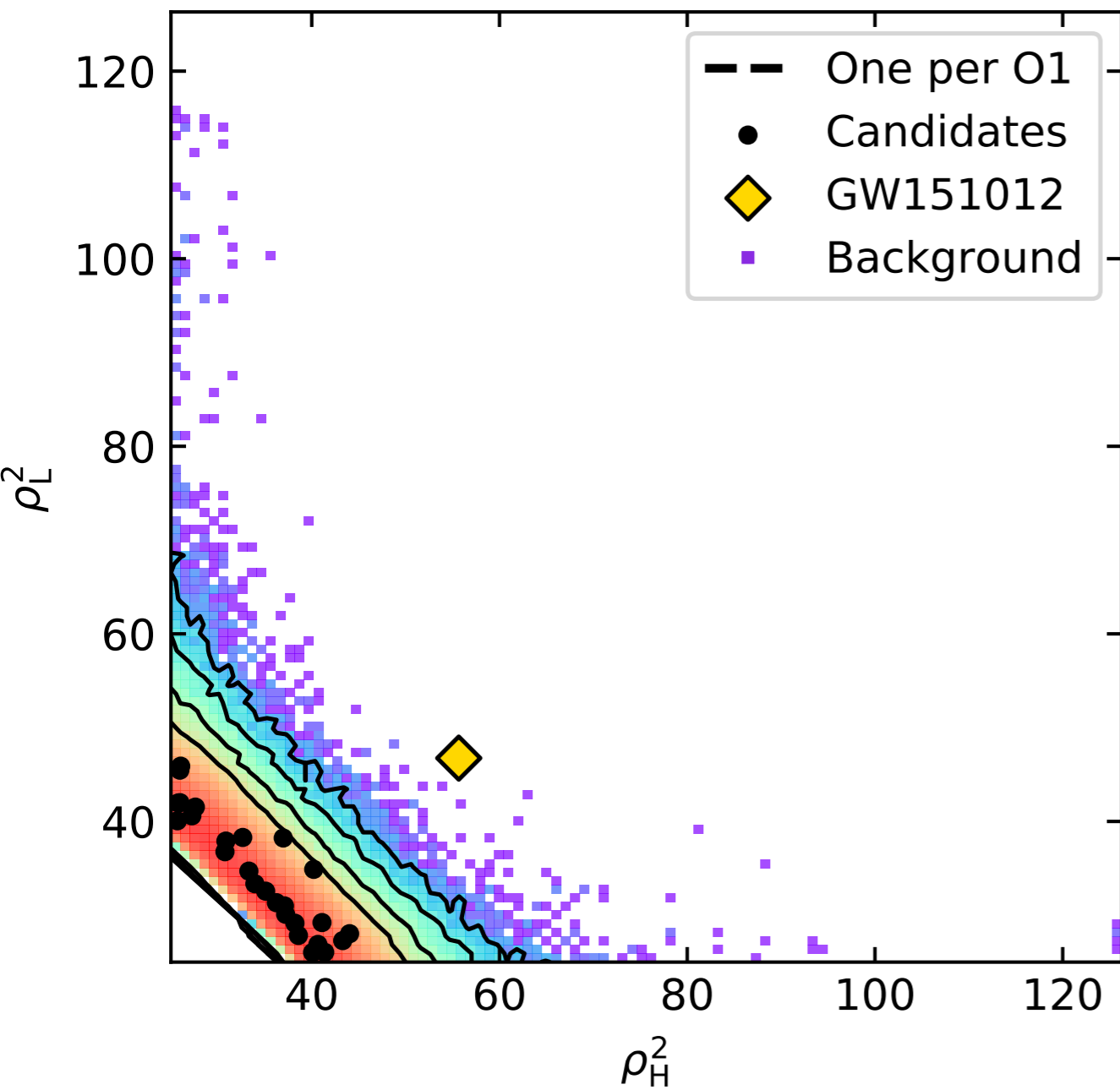
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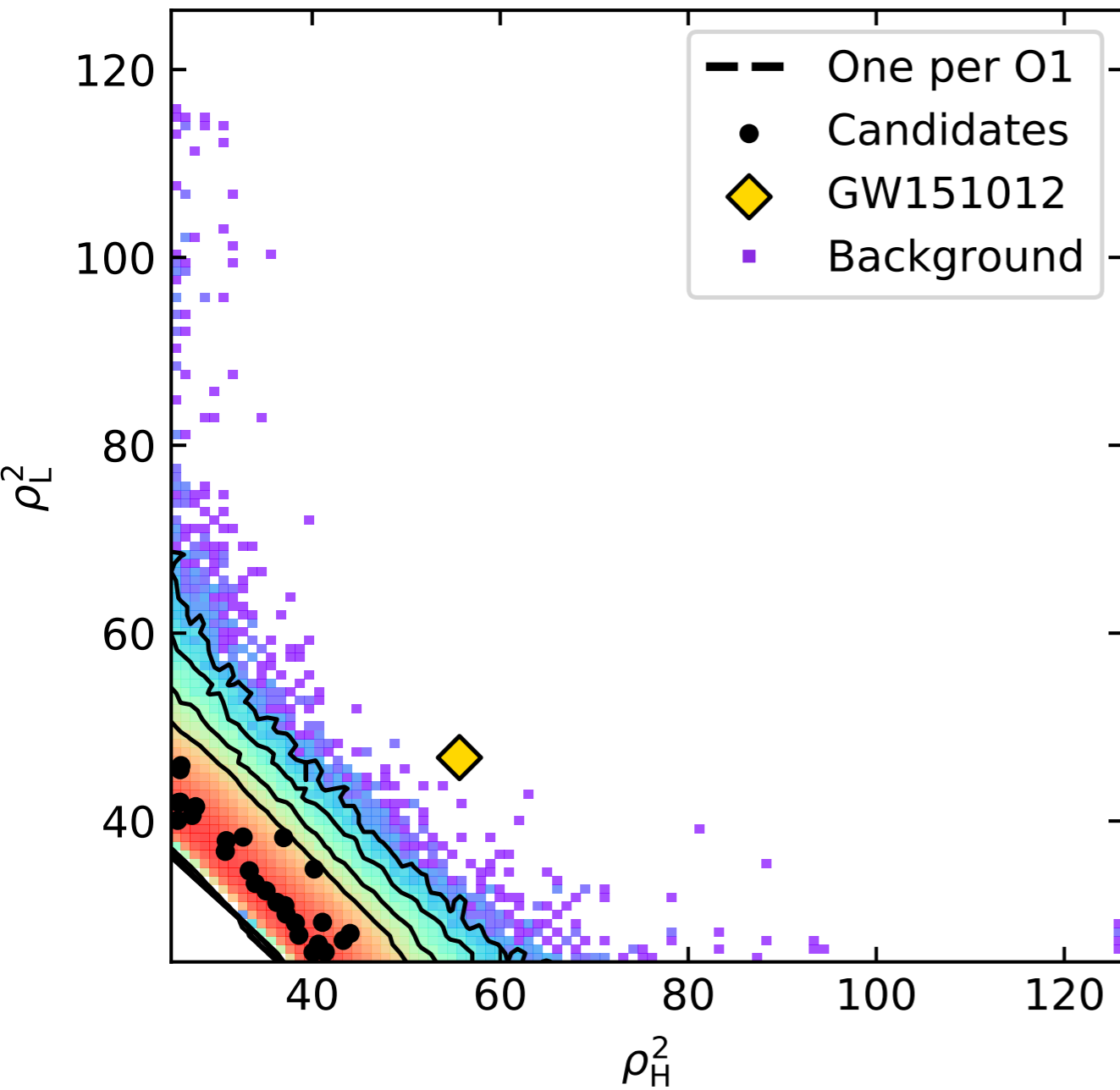
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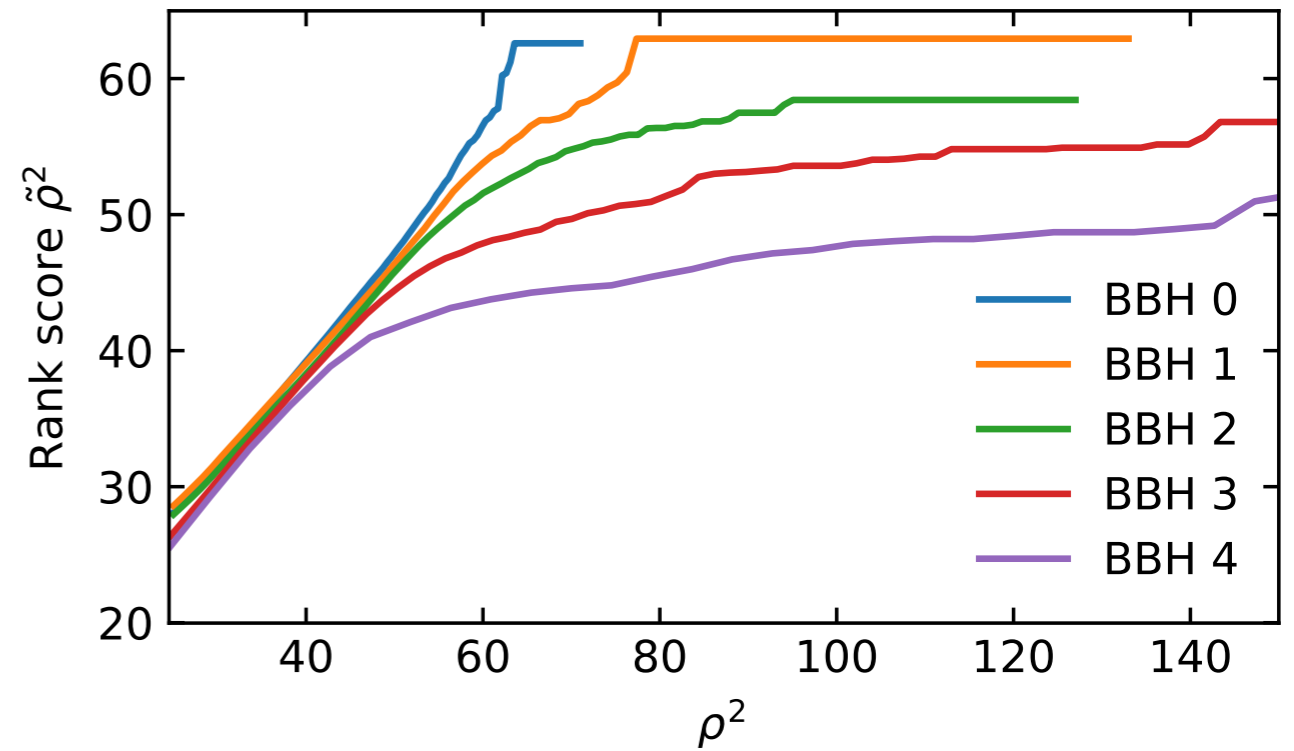
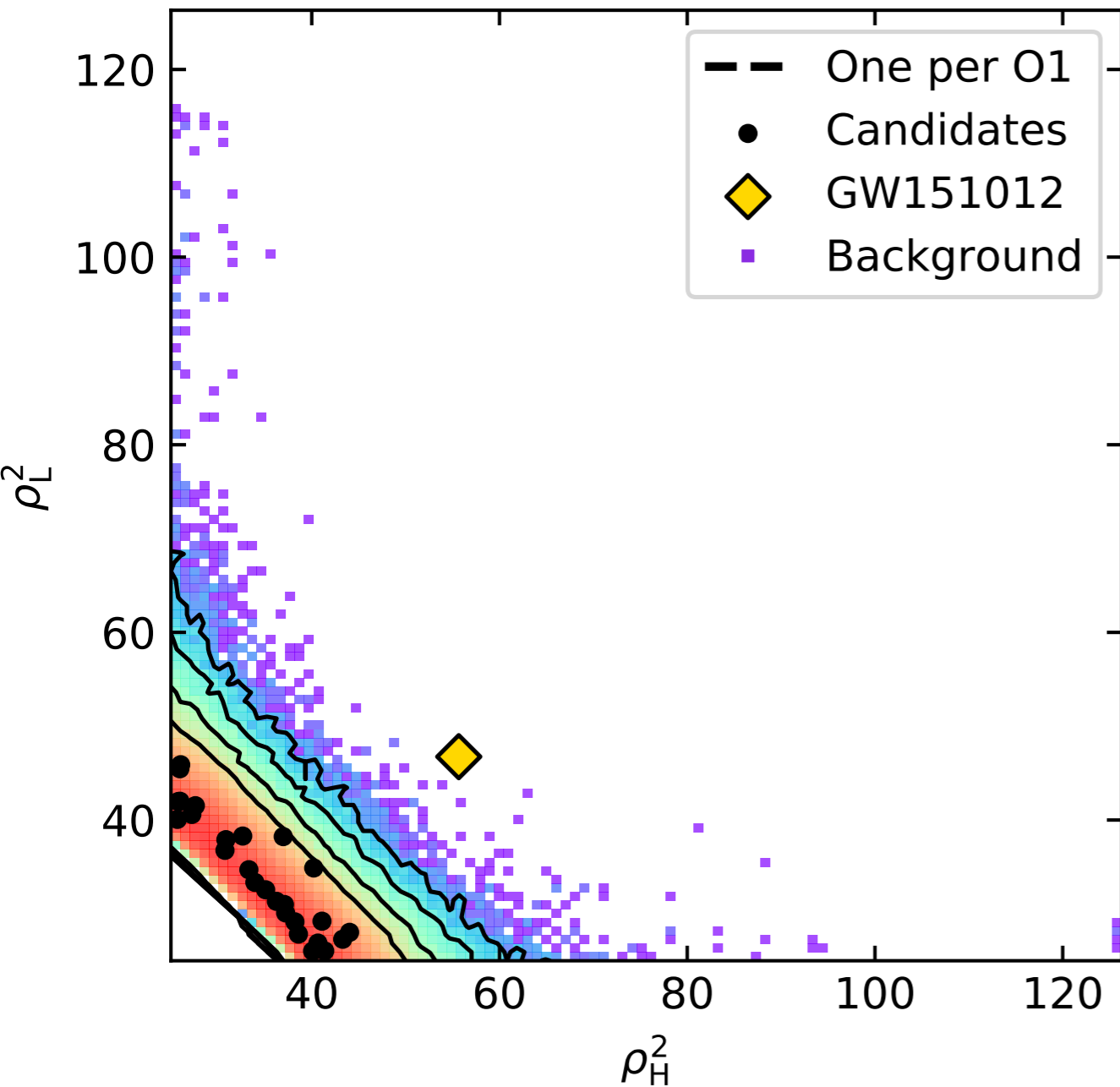
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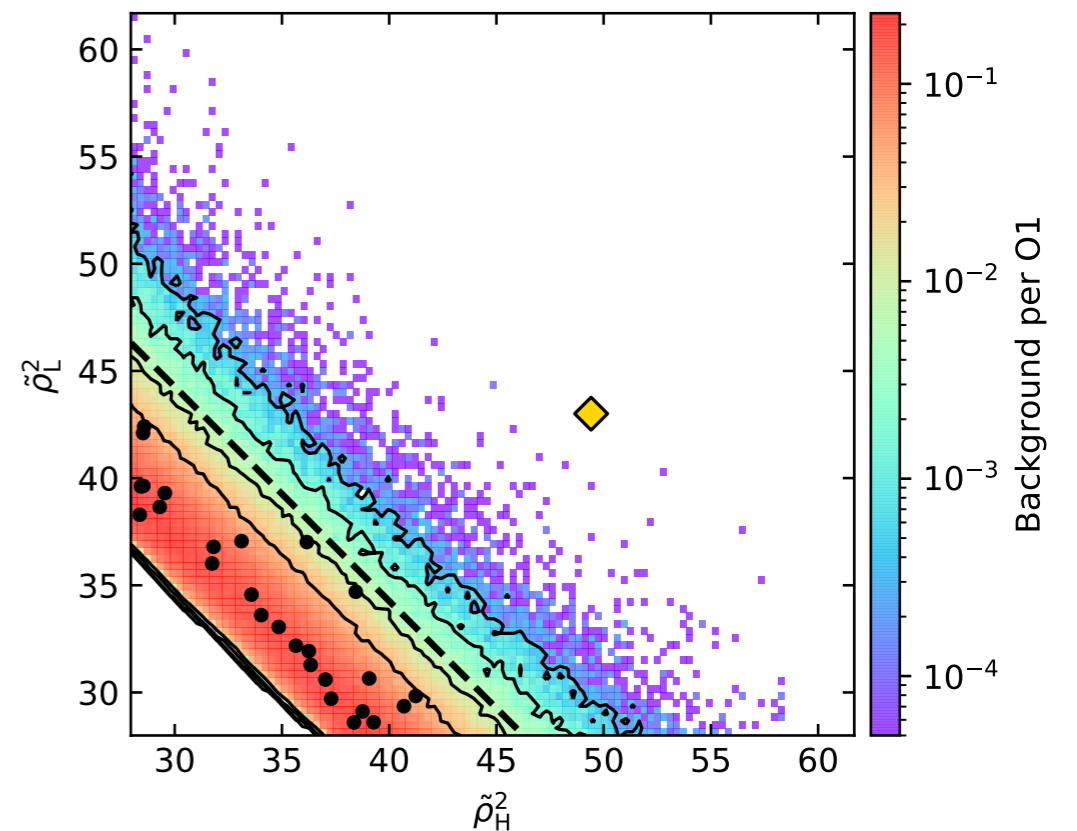
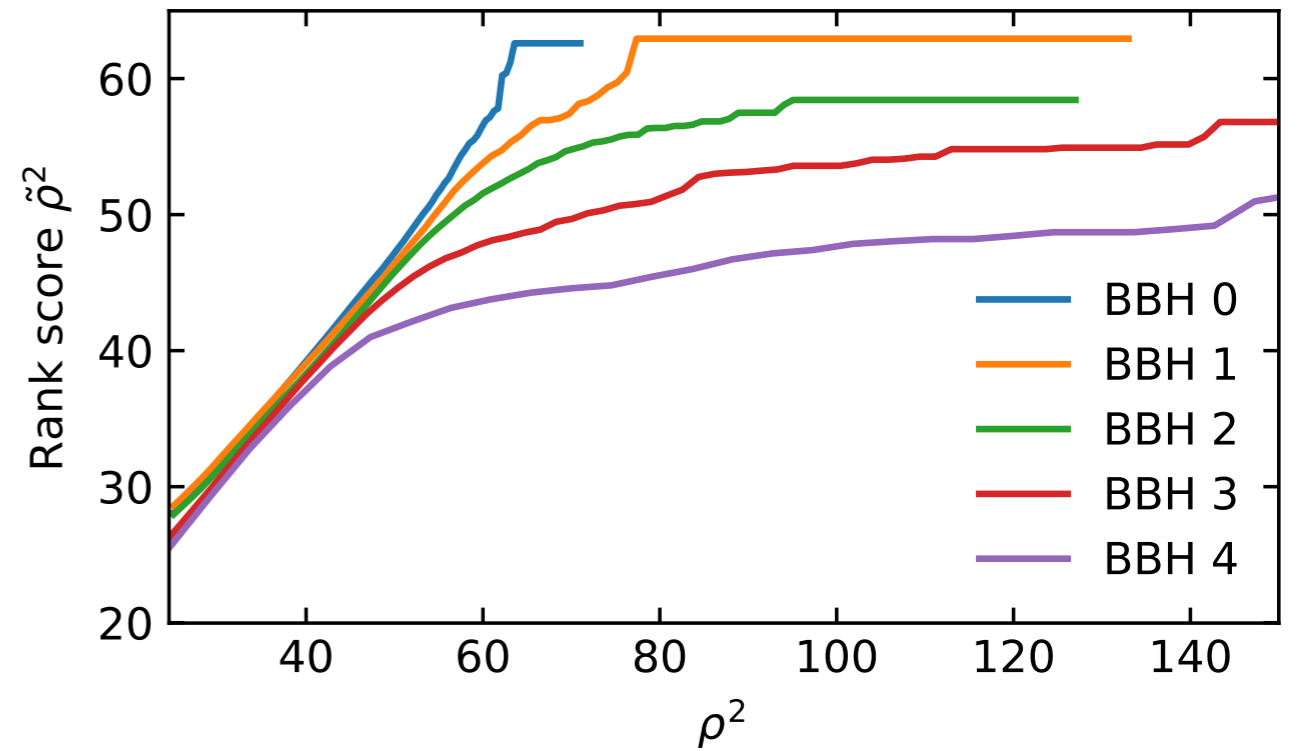
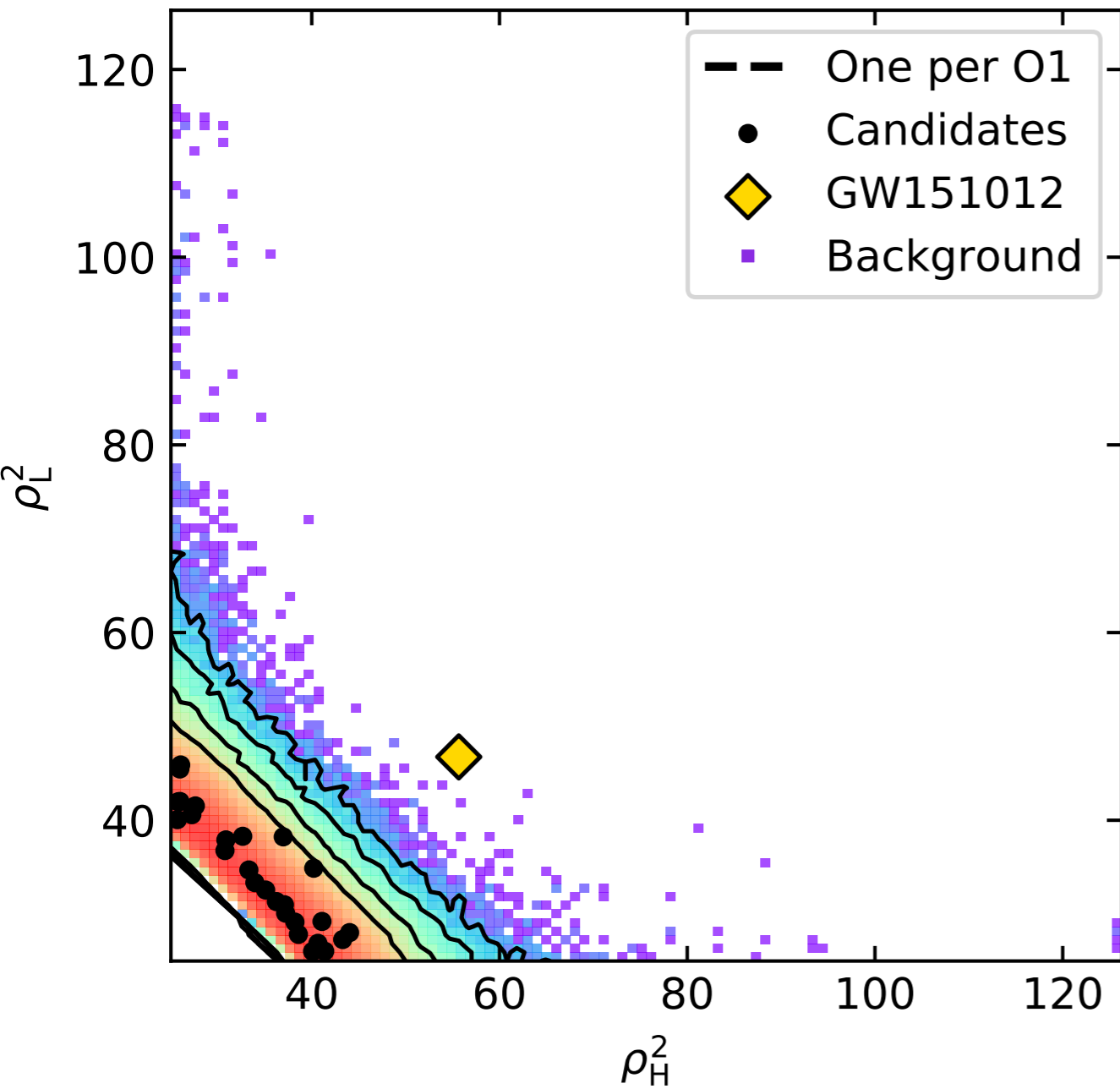
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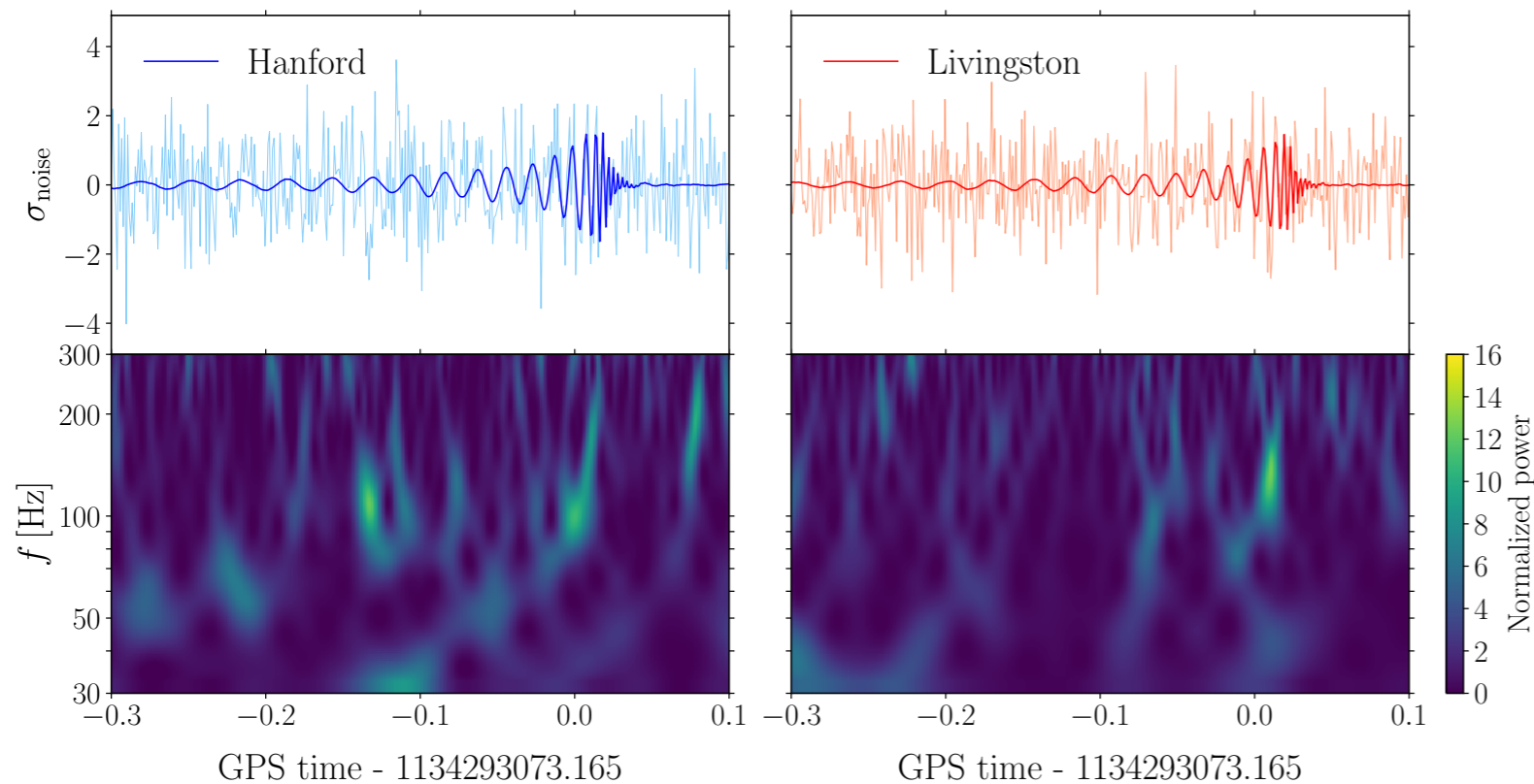
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# GW151216



	Flat $\chi_{\text{eff}}$ prior	Isotropic spin prior
Chirp mass $\mathcal{M}^{\text{det}}$	$31_{-3}^{+2} M_{\odot}$	$29_{-2}^{+2} M_{\odot}$
Primary mass $m_1$	$31_{-6}^{+13} M_{\odot}$	$38_{-11}^{+11} M_{\odot}$
Secondary mass $m_2$	$21_{-6}^{+5} M_{\odot}$	$16_{-3}^{+6} M_{\odot}$
Mass ratio $m_1/m_2$	$1.5_{-0.4}^{+1.4}$	$2.4_{-1.1}^{+1.4}$
Total mass $M$	$52_{-6}^{+9} M_{\odot}$	$54_{-8}^{+10} M_{\odot}$
Primary aligned spin $\chi_{1z}$	$0.86_{-0.27}^{+0.12}$	$0.73_{-0.28}^{+0.18}$
Secondary aligned spin $\chi_{2z}$	$0.79_{-0.65}^{+0.19}$	$0.30_{-0.46}^{+0.51}$
Effective aligned spin $\chi_{\text{eff}}$	$0.81_{-0.21}^{+0.15}$	$0.60_{-0.18}^{+0.16}$
Cosine of inclination $ \cos \iota $	$0.81_{-0.52}^{+0.18}$	$0.81_{-0.51}^{+0.18}$
Luminosity distance $D_L$	$2.4_{-1.1}^{+1.2} \text{ Gpc}$	$2.1_{-0.9}^{+1.0} \text{ Gpc}$
Source redshift $z$	$0.43_{-0.17}^{+0.17}$	$0.38_{-0.15}^{+0.15}$

- Highest spinning system so far.
- In terms of mass it is unremarkable
- Far away due to its low SNR and high spin
- Consistent with both BHs spinning rapidly but not with only the secondary spinning fast.

# GW151216

