

**REPORT FROM THE VALIDATION
AND DETECTION CONFIDENCE
GROUP
LSC 3 MEETING
AUGUST 13-15, 1998
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DCSA Inaugural Meeting

8:30 AM	Room S105	DCSA
(11:00 AM	Room S105	ASIS)

Agenda

Review of DCSA objectives & goals

Survey of interests and resources

System requirements, goals and constraints:
preliminary discussion

Detection Confidence & Statistical Analysis

Principle focus: statistical analysis leading to quantitative answers to questions like

"We did/didn't observe X with prob. Y "

"The chirp mass is between M_L and M_H with prob. Z "

Specify algorithms for detection confidence & parameter estimation

Single IFO, multi-IFO, other GW detectors, optical, X-ray, neutrino

ASIS sets source priorities, provides waveforms, filters, templates, etc.

Detector characterization provides data quality, instrument diagnostics, environmental monitors, detector noise properties

Calibration α vs. β for realistic/real detector

Validation & Verification

Verification: incremental/piecewise requirements testing

Validation: overall/end-end requirements testing

ASIS, Detector Characterization & DCSA

Each group organizes collaborations expertise
in area of focus

ASIS Charter

Identification & characterization of known sources:
templates, waveforms, filters, algorithms
Identification of unknown sources
Source statistics & source science

Detector Characterization Charter

Development of statistical characterization of detector
output
Correlation with environmental monitors
Correlation with internal detector parameters
Correlation between interferometers
End-to-end models

Detection Confidence & Statistical Analysis Charter

Development of statistical analysis to assess
confidence & uncertainties in detection, estimation
Single & multi-detector analyses
Development of analysis system tests

Detection Confidence & Statistical Analysis

- I Introduction
ASIS, Detector Characterization & DCSA
- II DCSA Role & Responsibilities
- III Inaugural Mtg. Agenda

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