Gravitational Wave Data: The Last Mile

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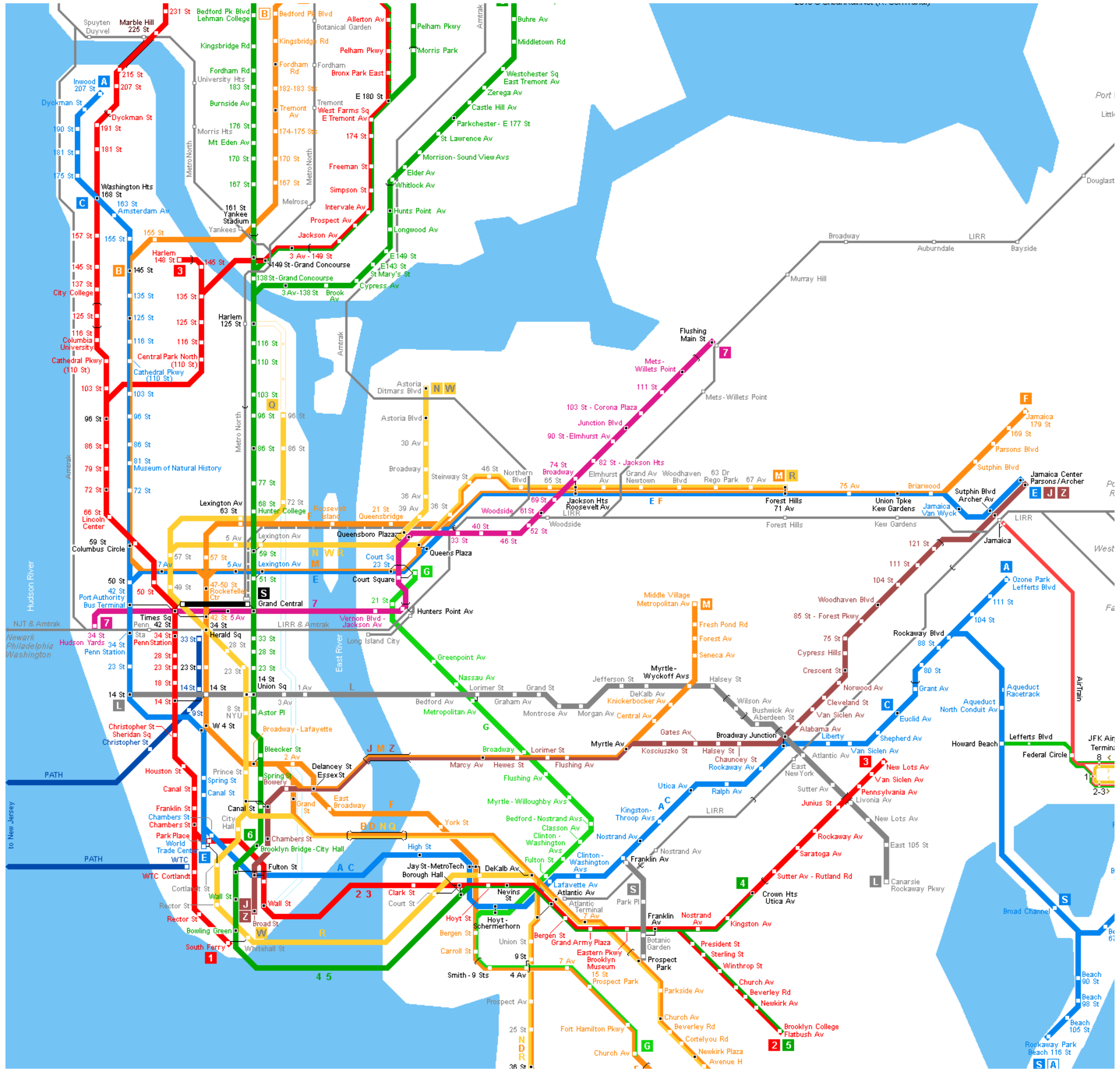
The Last Mile Problem

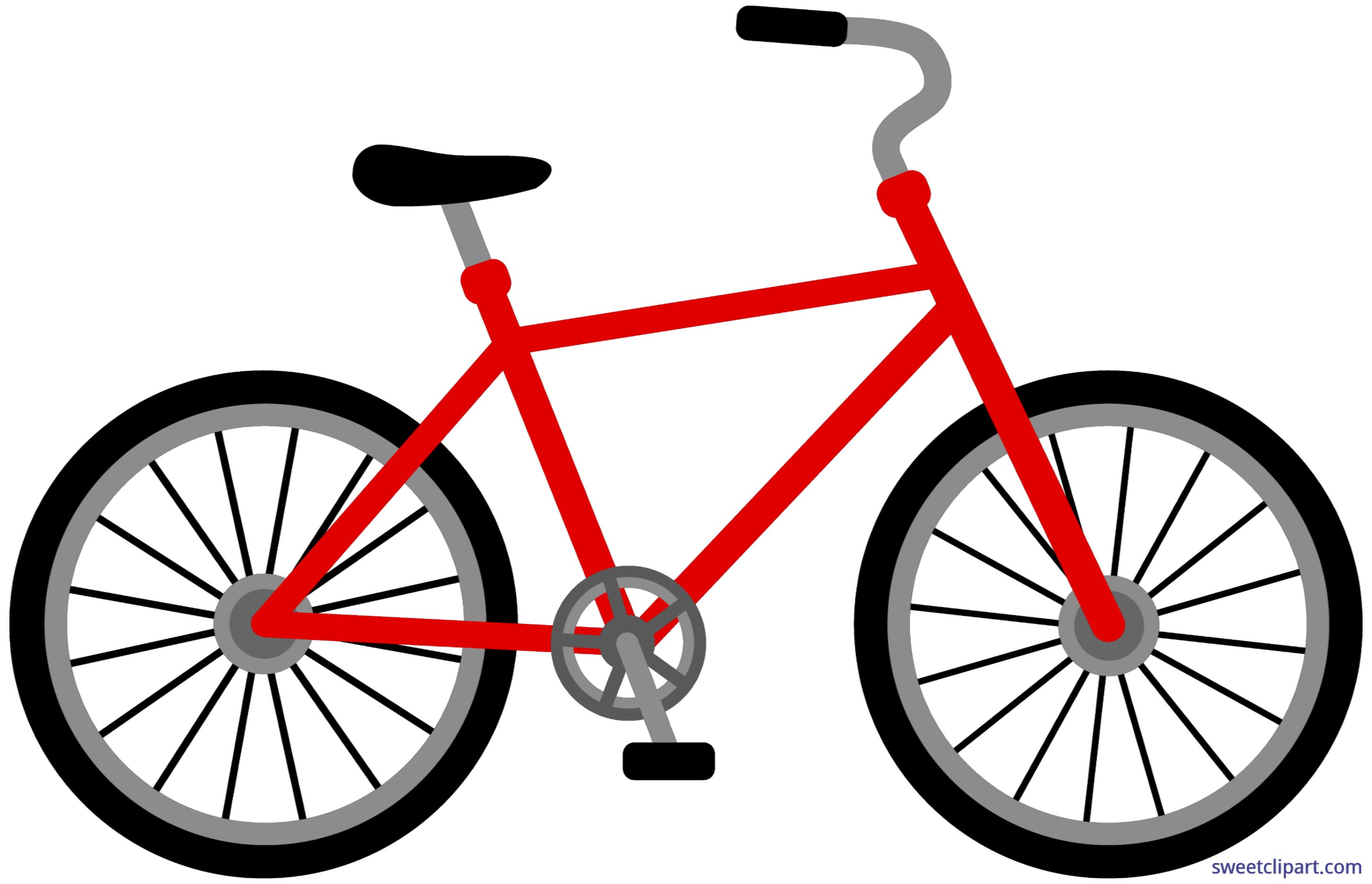
Transportation

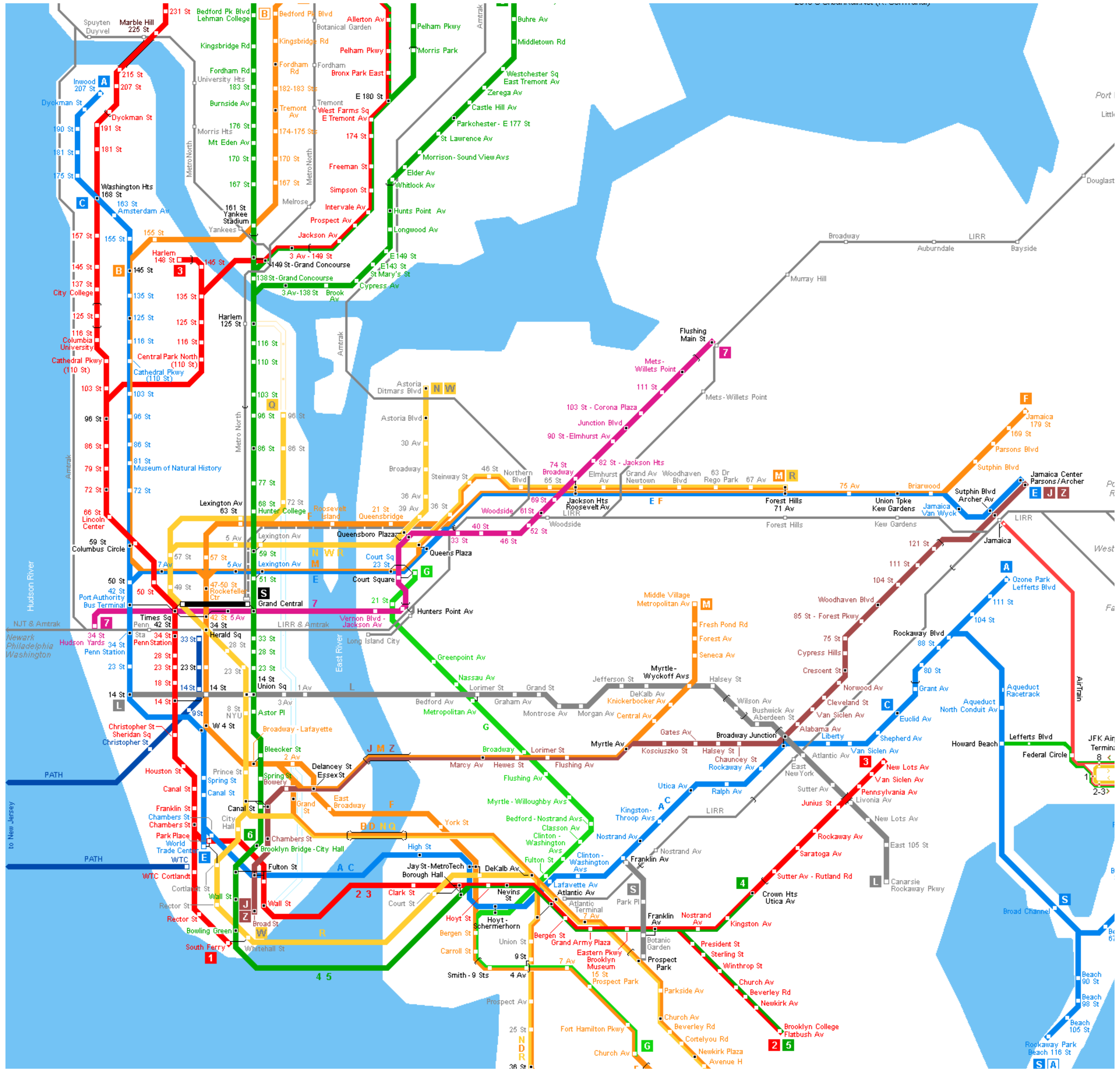
Last Mile



The Last Mile SOLUTION

Transportation





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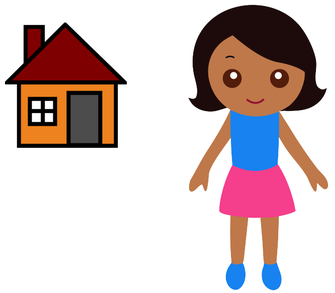
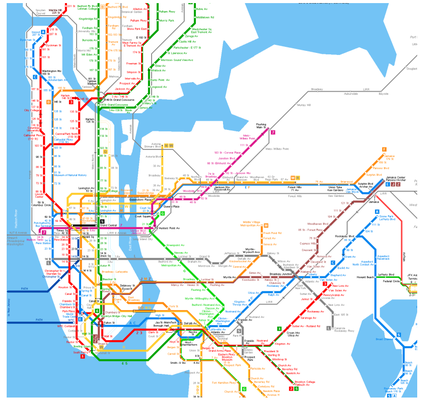
Public Data





Expert Networks

"Last Mile"

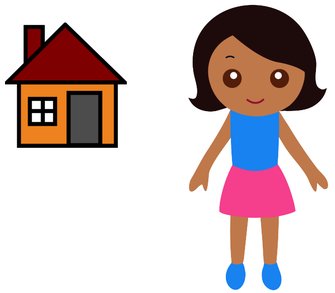
High School Student
Undergraduates
Grad Students
Experts in other field
Amateurs
Artists

Gaps in:
Access
Knowledge
Resources

Data
Software
Journal Articles
Conferences
Colleagues

The Last Mile Problem

Why this matters!



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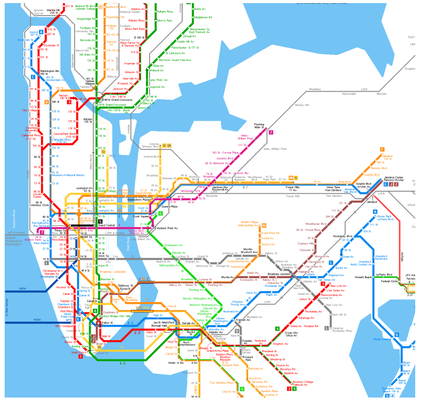


Expert Networks

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

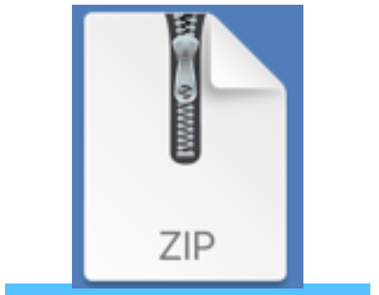
Efficiency and Productivity

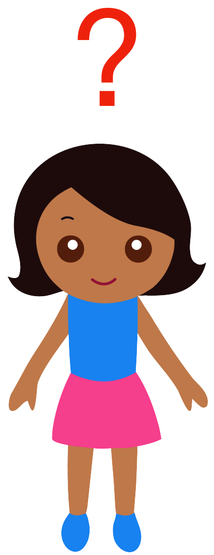
Climate

LIGO Data - Problems and Solutions

Sure, our data are public … but:

- Are the data easy to find and download?
- Do I recognize the file format? Can I figure out how to open it?
- Can I load the data in a spreadsheet or text file?
- Are there “secret steps” to processing the data?
- Can I find the software? Can I get it installed on my computer?
- Once the software is installed, can I figure out how to use it?
- Do I know where to ask for help when I get stuck?



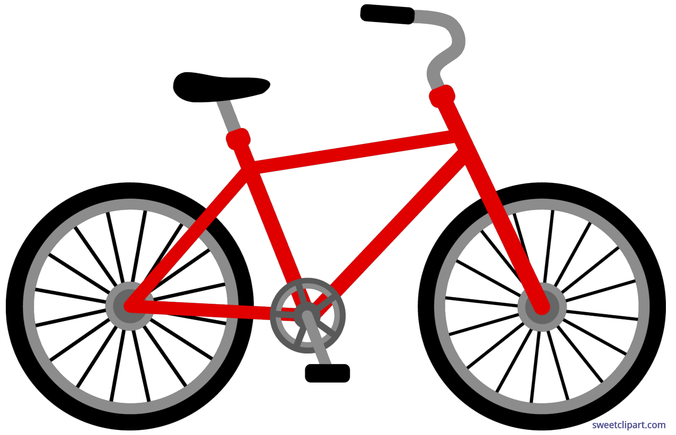


Access Gaps for LIGO Data (circa 2014)

- All data stored in “special” file format (GWF)
  - Won’t work with outside tools
  - Won’t work on Windows (90% of computers !!)
- All data access requires programming (e.g. in python)
- Specialized libraries lacked examples / documentation
- Some signal processing required
- Data contain detector artifacts

Solutions for LIGO data

- Data in multiple formats (GWF and HDF5 and “streaming”)
- Software examples to show people exactly how to get started
  - Focus on basic tasks: loading, pre-processing, and plotting
- Use online tools, so no software installation is needed
  - (Google co-lab , mybinder , streamlit)
- Link to resources: software libraries, related data, papers, tools, web services
- Workshops and online courses
- Help Desk and Discussion Forum
- Integrated platform: gwosc.org



Everything at https://gwosc.org

Supporting the Community

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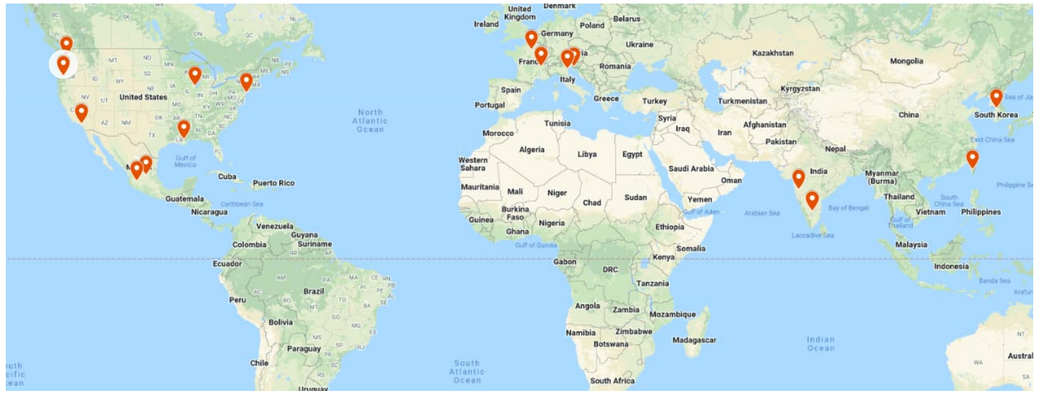

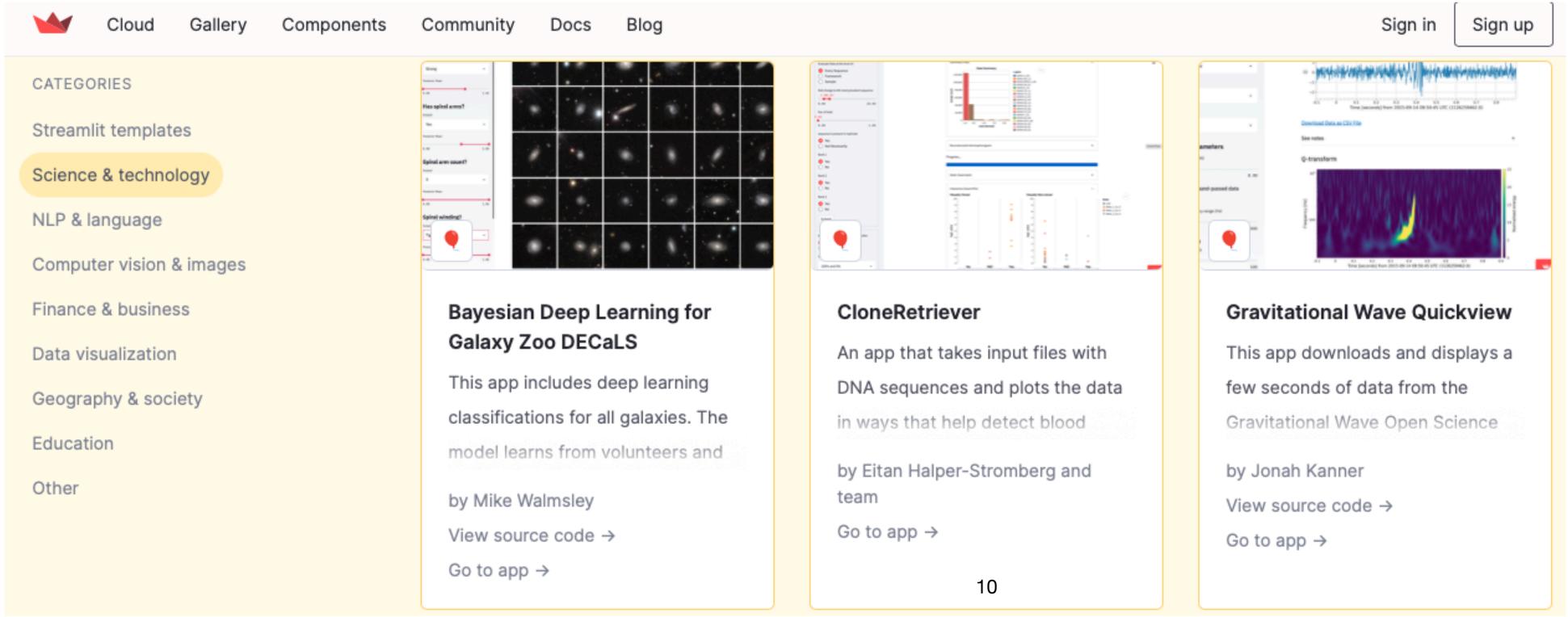

Supporting the Community

2022 Open Data Workshop
1000+ Participants
15 Locations + Virtual

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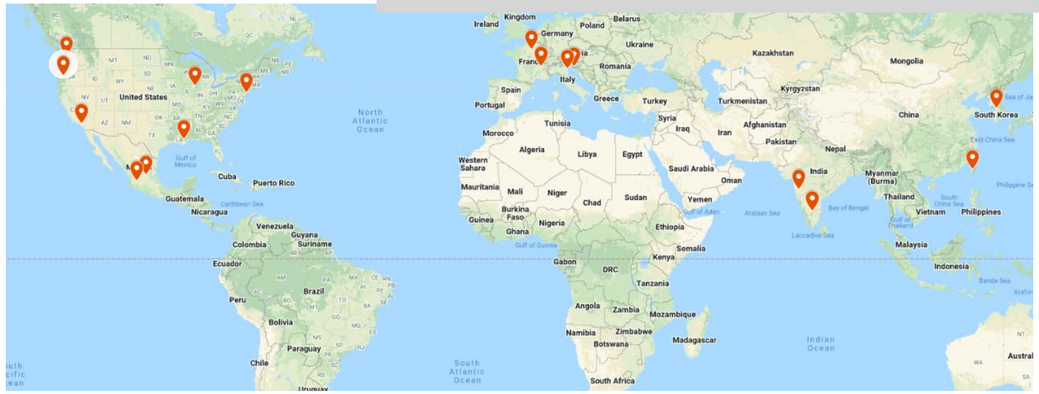
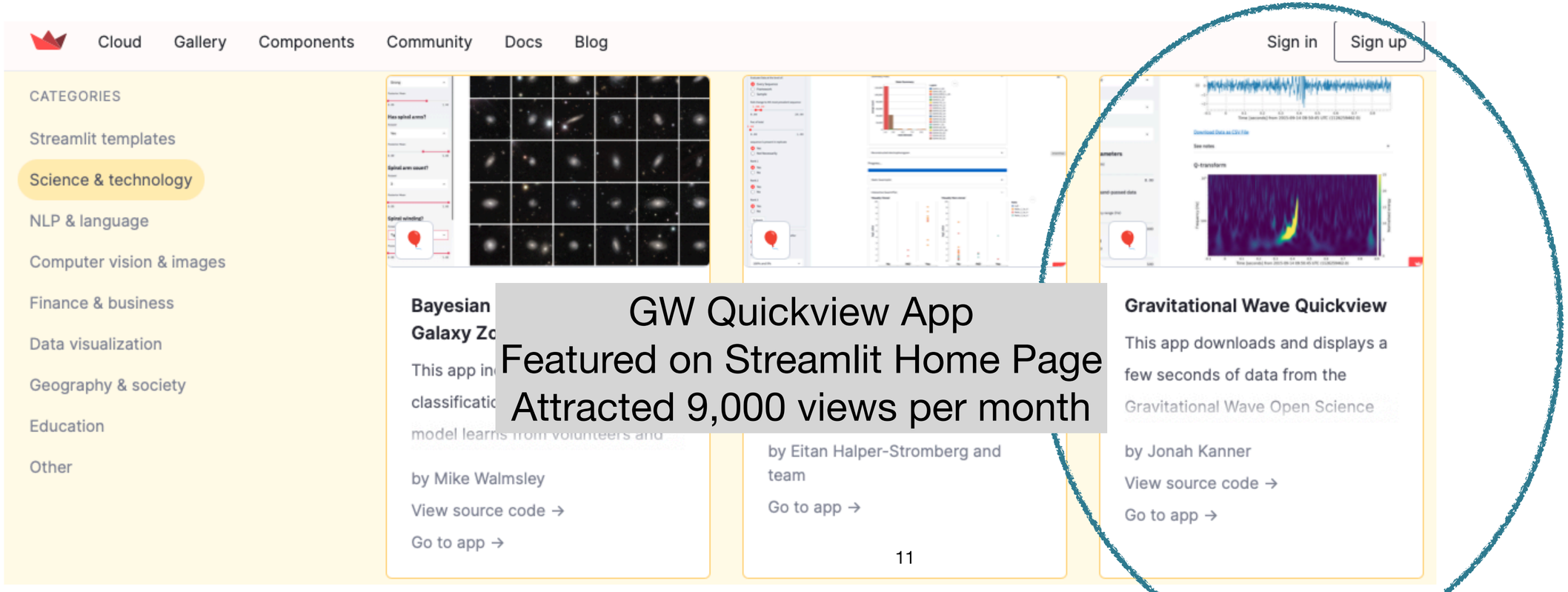




GW Quickview App
Featured on Streamlit Home Page
Attracted 9,000 views per month

Software Examples In Your Browser

Jupyter Notebooks

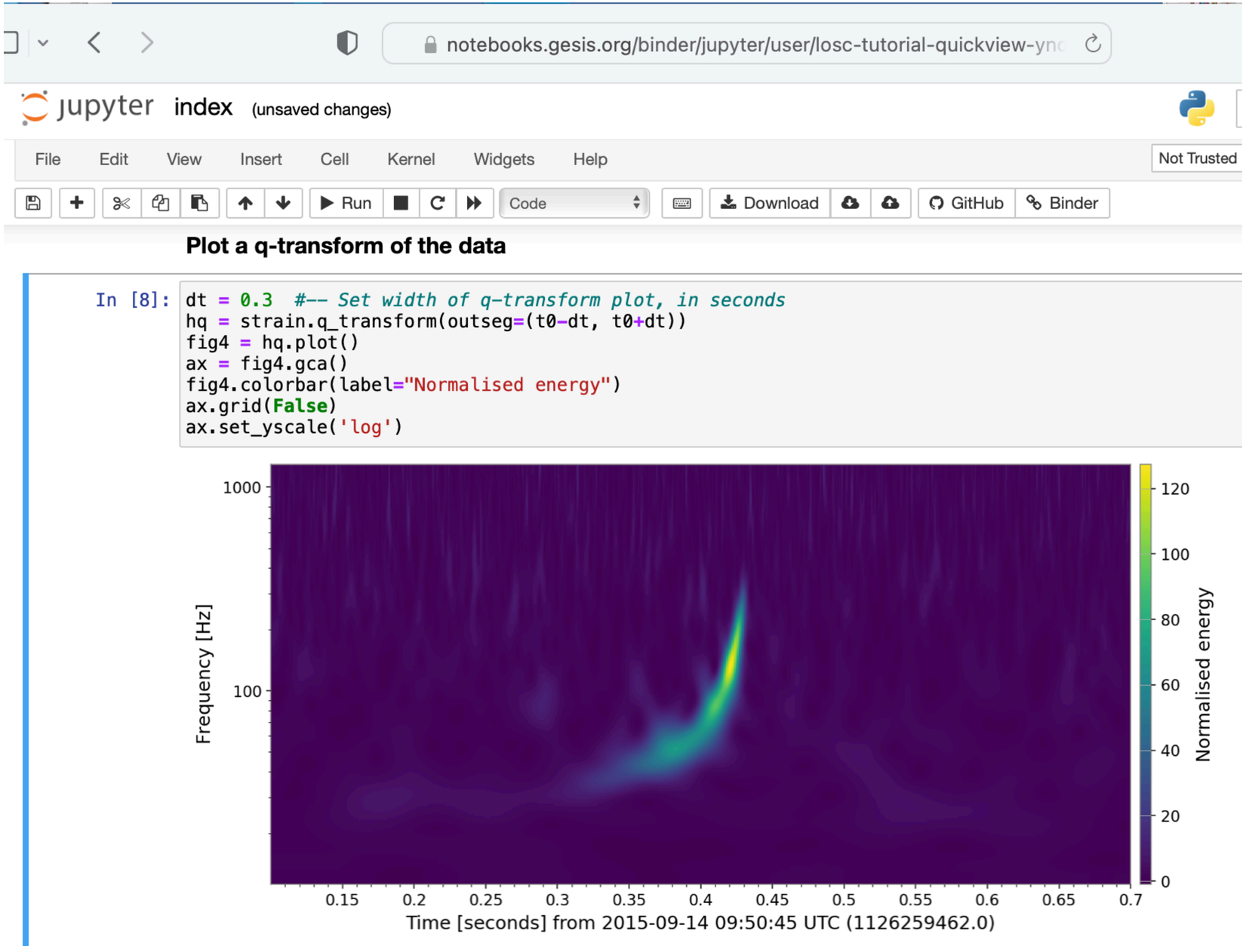
google co-lab
mybinder

Specialized libraries:

`GWpy, pyCBC, bilby`

No installation

gwosc.org/tutorials

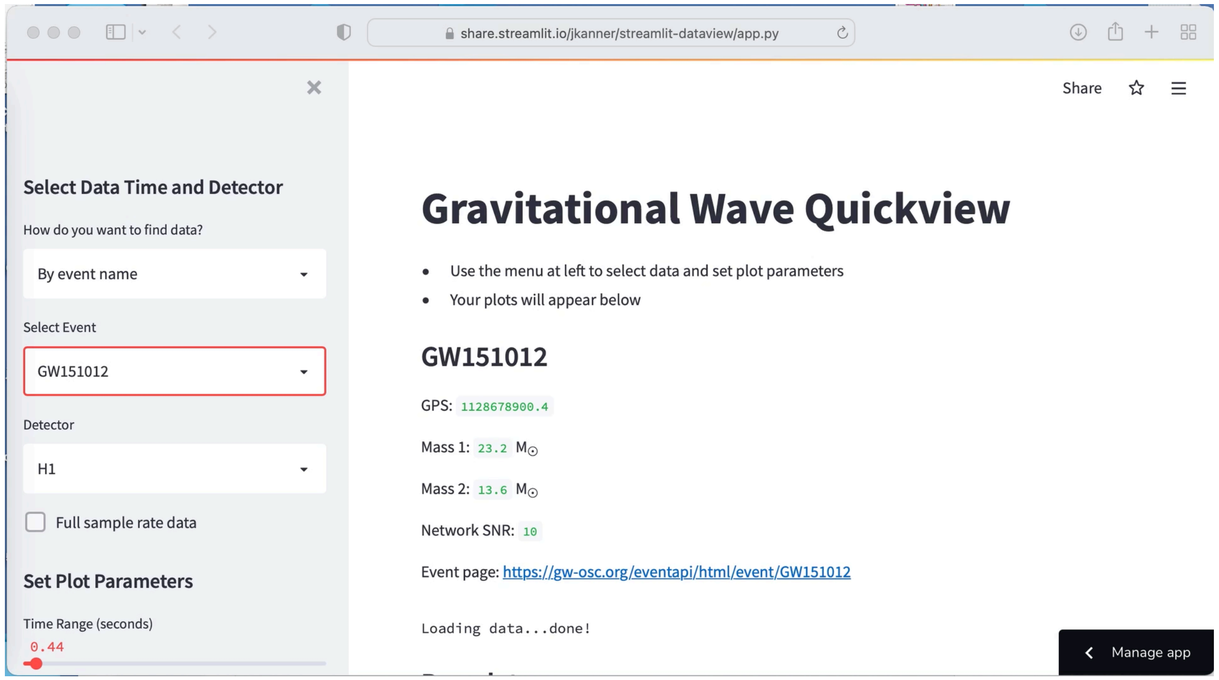


Web Apps or GUIs

Remove the need to program!

https://gwosc.org/path

- Plot data with no programming
- “Pre-process” data (whiten, filter, etc.)
- Export common file types (e.g. CSV)
- Introduction to signal processing



- **Common Request:**
  “I’d like to download processed data to in a CSV or text file”

Select Data Time and Detector

How do you want to find data?

By event name

Select Event

GW151012

Detector

H1

Full sample rate data

Set Plot Parameters

Time Range (seconds)

0.44

Gravitational Wave Quickview

- Use the menu at left to select data and set plot parameters
- Your plots will appear below

GW151012

GPS: `1128678900.4`

Mass 1: `23.2` $M_\odot$

Mass 2: `13.6` $M_\odot$

Network SNR: `10`

Event page: https://gw-osc.org/eventapi/html/event/GW151012

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Loading data...done!
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Open Data Workshops

- Annual Event
- Junior scientists prepare material, lecture, and mentor
  - Visibility and experience
- Includes “hands on”
  software examples + challenge problems
- This year: Hybrid and Scalable
- Live Event —> Online course

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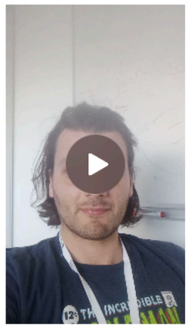


Pasadena, CA


GW Open Data Workshop
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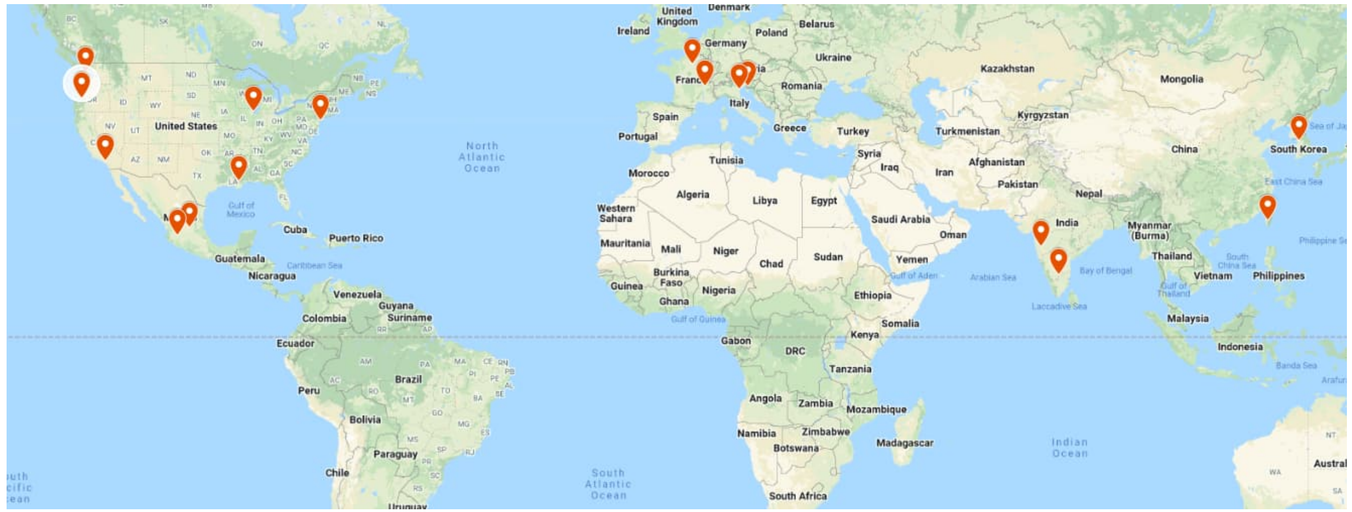
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Bay of Bengal
Indian Ocean


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Evanston, IL


GW Open Data Workshop
Lyon, France


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Padova, Italy


ICTS, Bangalore, India

Getting Help

Need to hear from people using data

- GWOSC Help Desk, via e-mail: gwosc@igwn.org
- New: LIGO/Virgo/KAGRA discussion forum: https://ask.igwn.org
  - Vera Rubin Telescope has an active discussion forum, with thousands of posts
- Discussion Board / Help Desk monitored both by GWOSC staff and volunteers in LIGO/Virgo/KAGRA collaboration

Provide direct support AND Collect user feedback

ask.igwn.org

Collapse

Welcome to the gravitational wave community forum

A community for discussion of gravitational wave science with LIGO, Virgo, and KAGRA.

Gravitational Wave Science

Post questions and announcements related to gravitational wave science, education, and careers.

Help with Data Analysis

Post questions and tips for finding, downloading, and analyzing gravitational wave data in the Data Analysis category.

Learn about this forum

These links describe usage guidelines for this forum and overviews of key observatories.

- Community guidelines
- LIGO Laboratory and the LSC
- Virgo Observatory
- KAGRA Observatory

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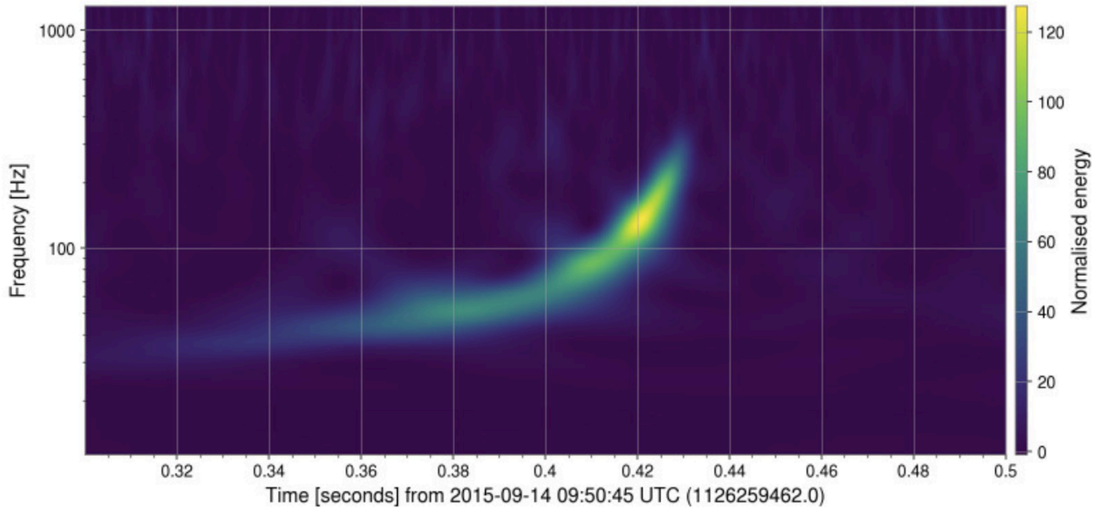
Hi

I am trying to get the frequency information from a q-transform plot shown below.



I am using the following code snippet to get that information, but I see that the following code prints the frequency values for the complete q-transform plot.

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6d ago

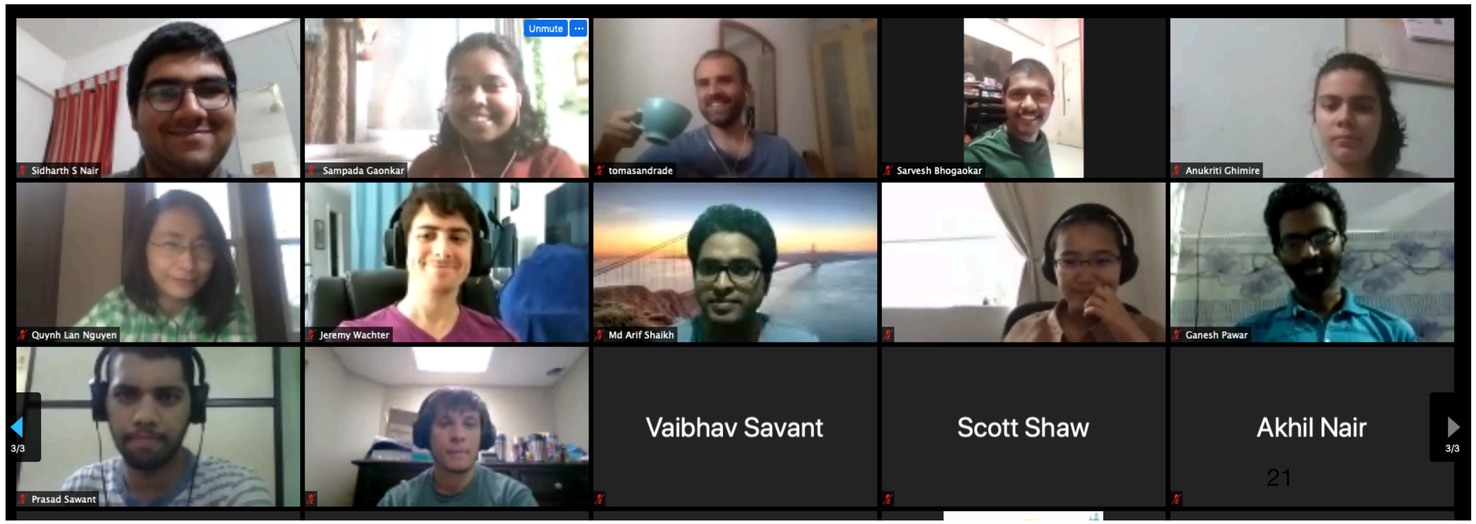
Impacts of Open Data

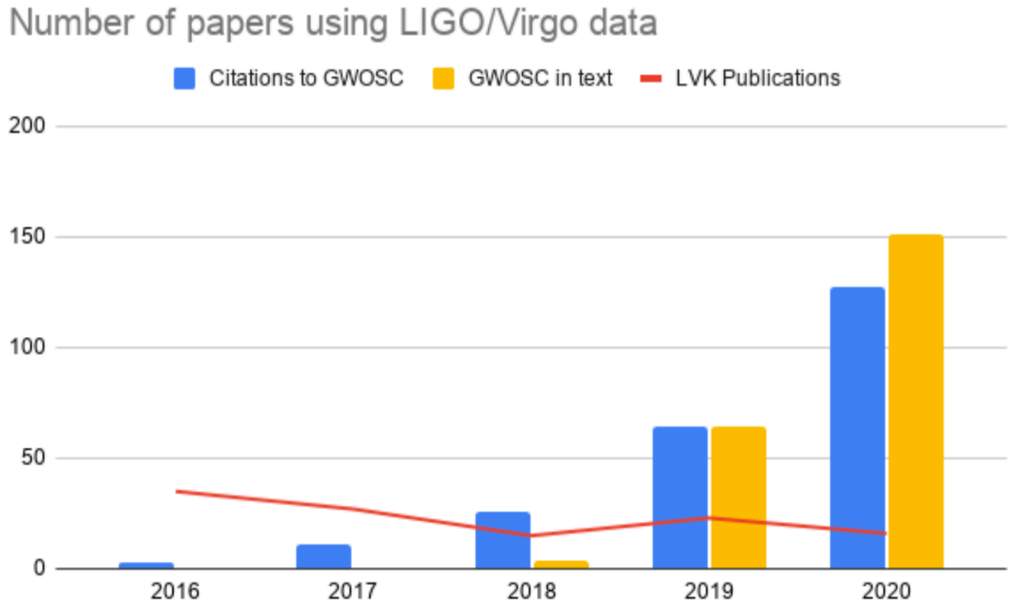
Around 6,000 visitors (12,000 sessions)
to GWOSC each month

Over a million strain file downloads over 6 months

250 Papers in 2 years (2020 + 2021)

Open Data Workshops with hundreds of participants





Managing complex data

Mountain of LIGO data

and the garden on top

Results

a few TB per year

Used broadly
Synergy with other projects

Strain

a few channels
a few TB per year

Mostly used internally

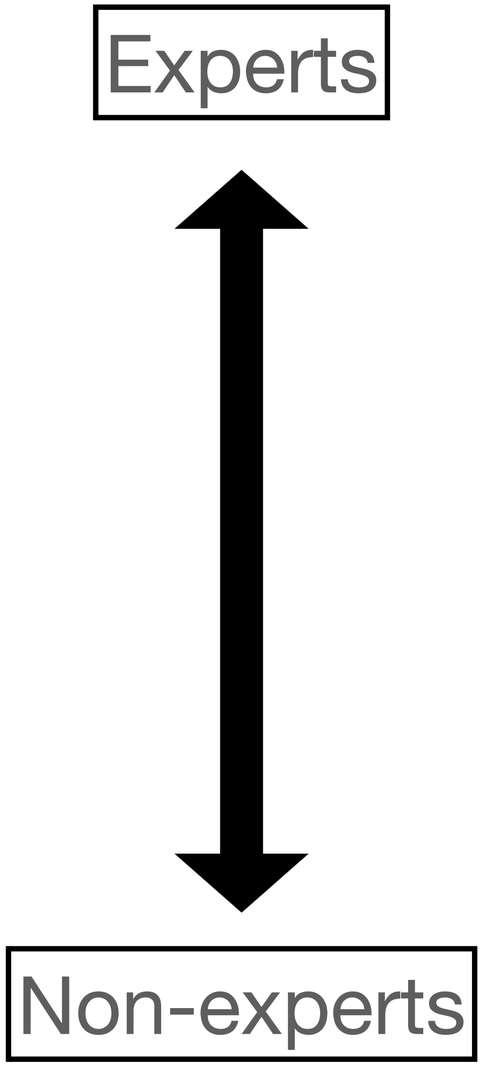
Reduced Frames

1000 channels
100 TB per year

Raw Frames

250,000 channels
1 PB per year

Diversity of Data Users



Want lots of data
High demands on data access
Computers access data (API)
Details matter

Want lots of services
Need lots of support
Human downloads data (HTML)
Too much detail is confusing

FAIR Public Data Release

https://gwosc.org

Gravitational Wave Open Science Center

- FINDABLE: Data are easily discoverable through the GWOSC web server, with human readable and machine readable options
- ACCESSIBLE: Strain data can be accessed via http, CVM-FS, or NDS2
- INTEROPERABLE: Available in both GWF and HDF5 formats. Identical formats for LIGO, Virgo, & KAGRA
- REUSABLE: Open source software, documentation, tutorials, and workshops

Strain Data Access:
Same data, many ways to access

- **Web Access:** Query for data by time or event (HTML or REST API)
  - Easy access for everyone, one file at a time
- **CernVM File System:** Access to large numbers of data files
  - Works well for access by computing clusters
- **Network Data Server (NDS2)**
  - Provides access to data “snippets” - don’t need to download whole file
  - Fast and convenient data access

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Find and download strain data

www.gw-openscience.org

LIGO VIRGO KAGRA

Gravitational Wave Open Science Center

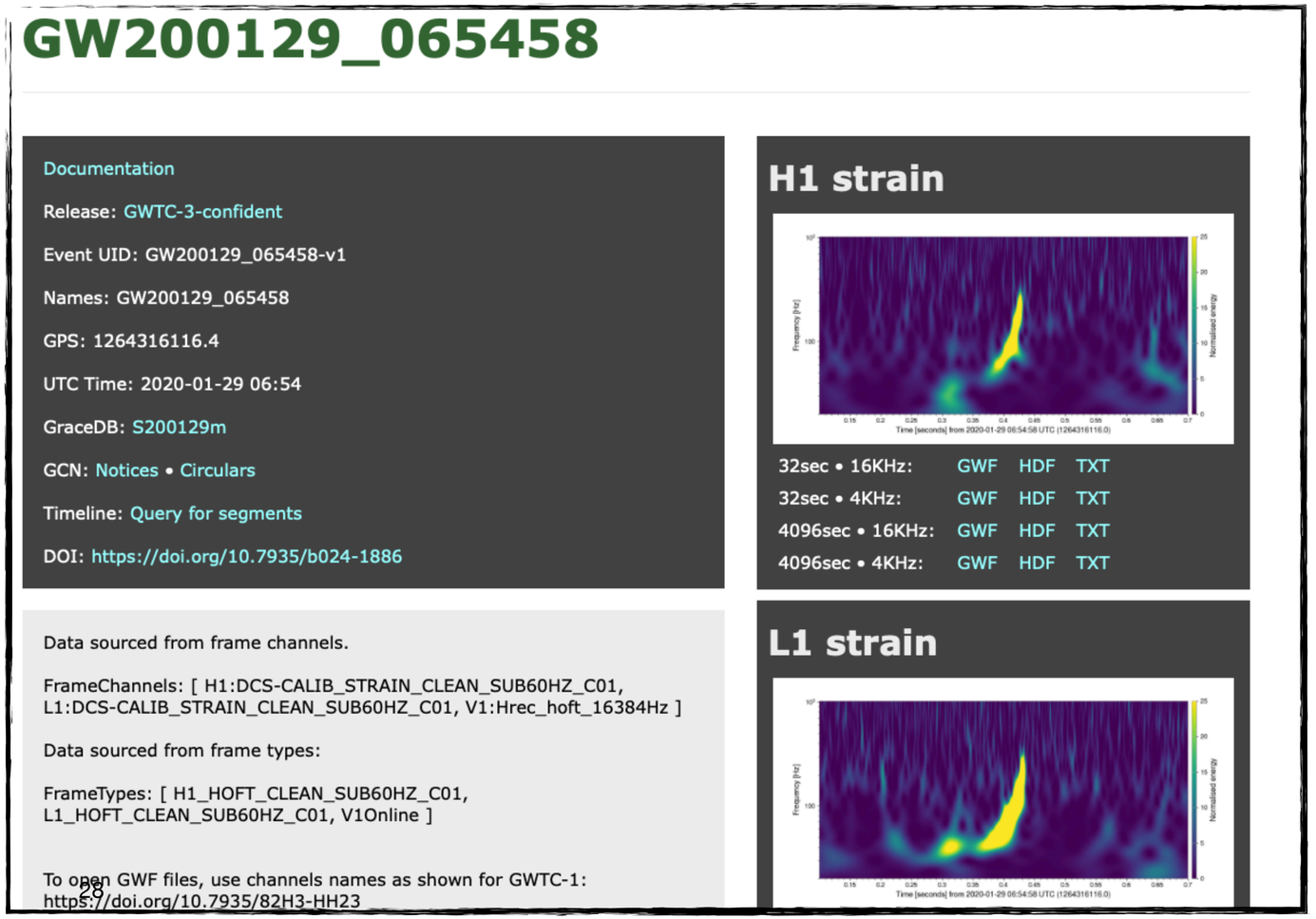
Data Software Online Tools Learning Resources About GWOSC

The Gravitational Wave Open Science Center provides data from gravitational-wave observatories, along with access to tutorials and software tools.

GWOSC Event Portal

- Includes catalogs of LVK discoveries, with PE results and strain data
- Reflects only published results
- Includes “GWTC” - a cumulative catalog of all LVK detections
- Snapshots archived in zenodo to preserve history

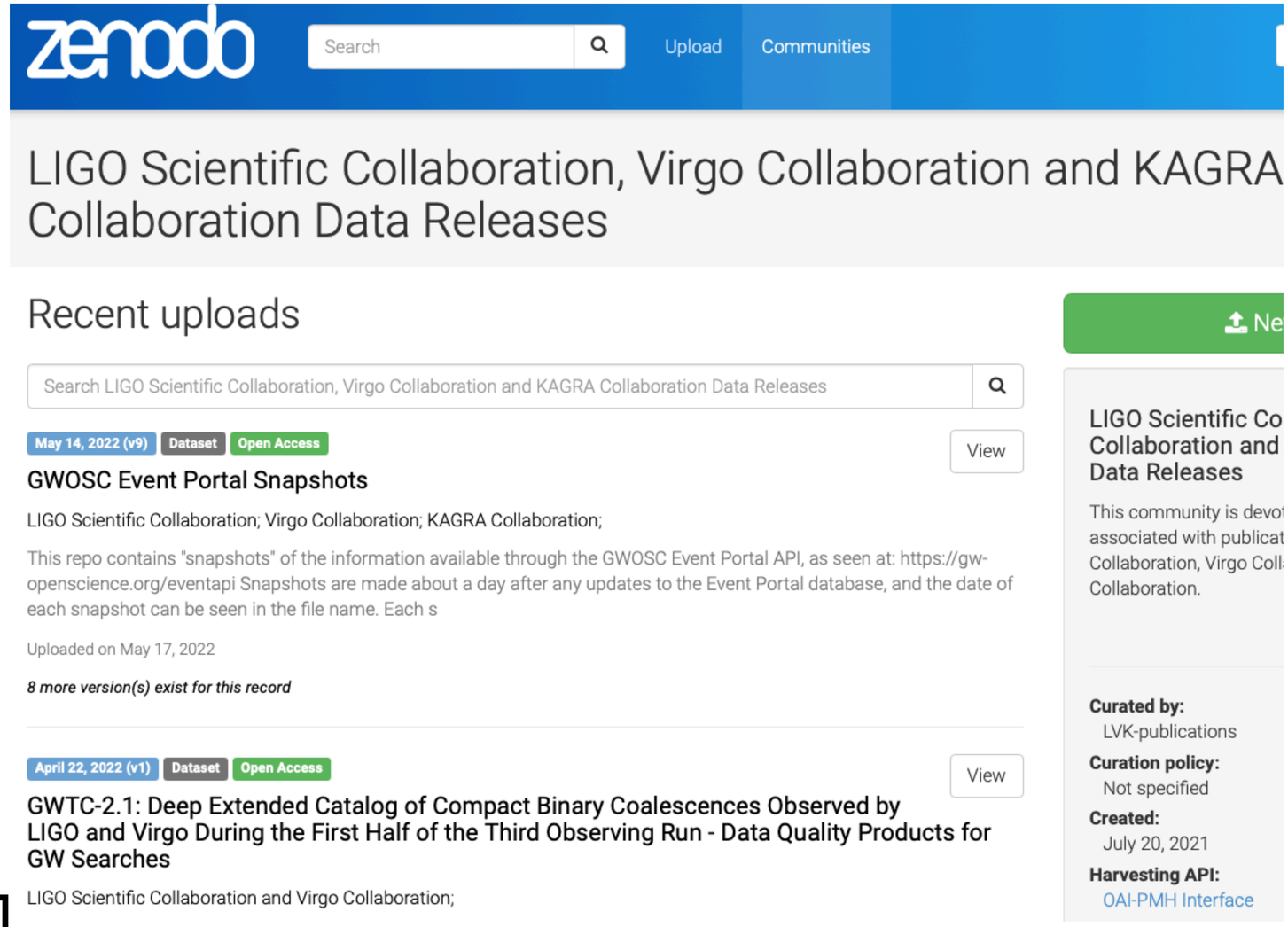
https://gwosc.org/eventapi



Data Access for Analysis Results

The long tail of public data

- LIGO/Virgo/KAGRA now releases public analysis results in zenodo
  - CERN funded data archive
  - Trigger lists, PE samples, skymaps, etc.
  - LVK community makes these easy to find
  - Authors manage own data



https://zenodo.org/communities/ligo-virgo-kagra/

Summary

- **Solving the “last mile” problem for public data is high stakes!**
  - Important for diversity, equity, and inclusion
  - Improves efficiency, creates synergy across fields
  - Find gaps in resources and create solutions

- **Essential to consider needs of both experts and non-experts**
  - Need lots of data for experts, lots of services & support for non-experts

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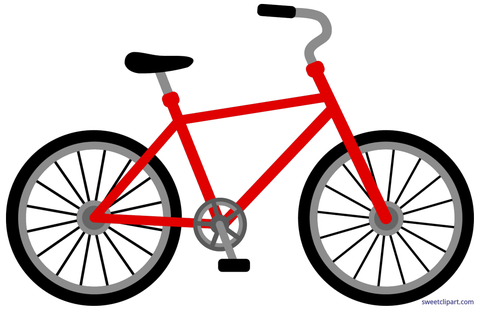

Thank you!

GraceDB **Public Alerts** Latest Search Documentation Login

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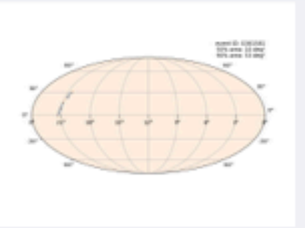
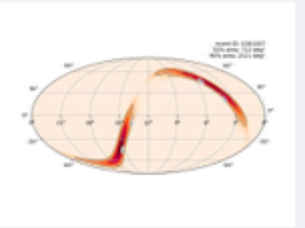
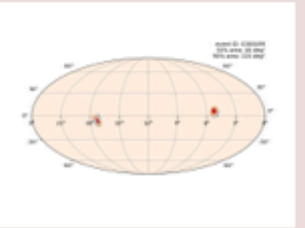
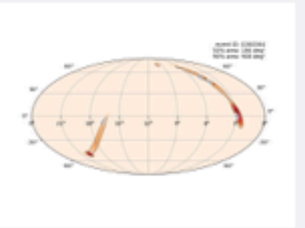
S200129m	BBH (>99%)	Jan. 29, 2020 06:54:58 UTC	GCN Circulars Notices | VOE	
S200128d	BBH (97%), Terrestrial (3%)	Jan. 28, 2020 02:20:11 UTC	GCN Circulars Notices | VOE	
S200116ah	NSBH (>99%)	Jan. 16, 2020 11:56:42 UTC	GCN Circulars Notices | VOE	
S200115j	MassGap (>99%)	Jan. 15, 2020 04:23:09 UTC	GCN Circulars Notices | VOE	

https://gracedb.ligo.org

Event Catalogs and Queries

GWOSC Event Portal

- Provide easy access to lists of Gravitational Wave Transients
- Web interface: No programming required
- Query by name or physical parameters
- Browse catalogs
- Includes physical parameters, instrument data, analysis results, and documentation
- Scriptable against a REST API

https://gwosc.org/eventapi

GW200311_115853

Event Portal

Documentation

Release: GWTC-3-confident

Event UID: GW200311_115853-v1

Names: GW200311_115853

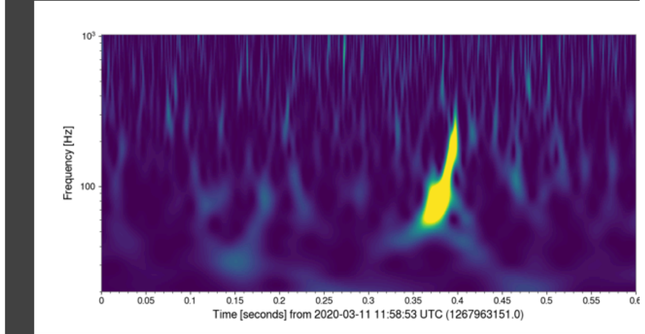
GPS: 1267963151.3

UTC Time: 2020-03-11 11:58

GraceDB: S200311bg

GCN: Notices • Circulars

H1 strain



32sec • 16KHz:	GWF	HDF	TXT
32sec • 4KHz:	GWF	HDF	TXT
4096sec • 16KHz:	GWF	HDF	TXT
4096sec • 4KHz:	GWF	HDF	TXT

SORT: GPS ↓

Name	Version	Release	GPS ↓	Mass 1 ($M_\odot$)	Mass 2 ($M_\odot$)
GW200322_091133	v1	GWTC-3-confident	1268903511.3	34^{+48}_{-18}	$14.0^{+16.8}_{-8.7}$
GW200316_215756	v1	GWTC-3-confident	1268431094.1	$13.1^{+10.2}_{-2.9}$	$7.8^{+1.9}_{-2.9}$
GW200311_115853	v1	GWTC-3-confident	1267963151.3	$34.2^{+6.4}_{-3.8}$	$27.7^{+4.1}_{-5.9}$

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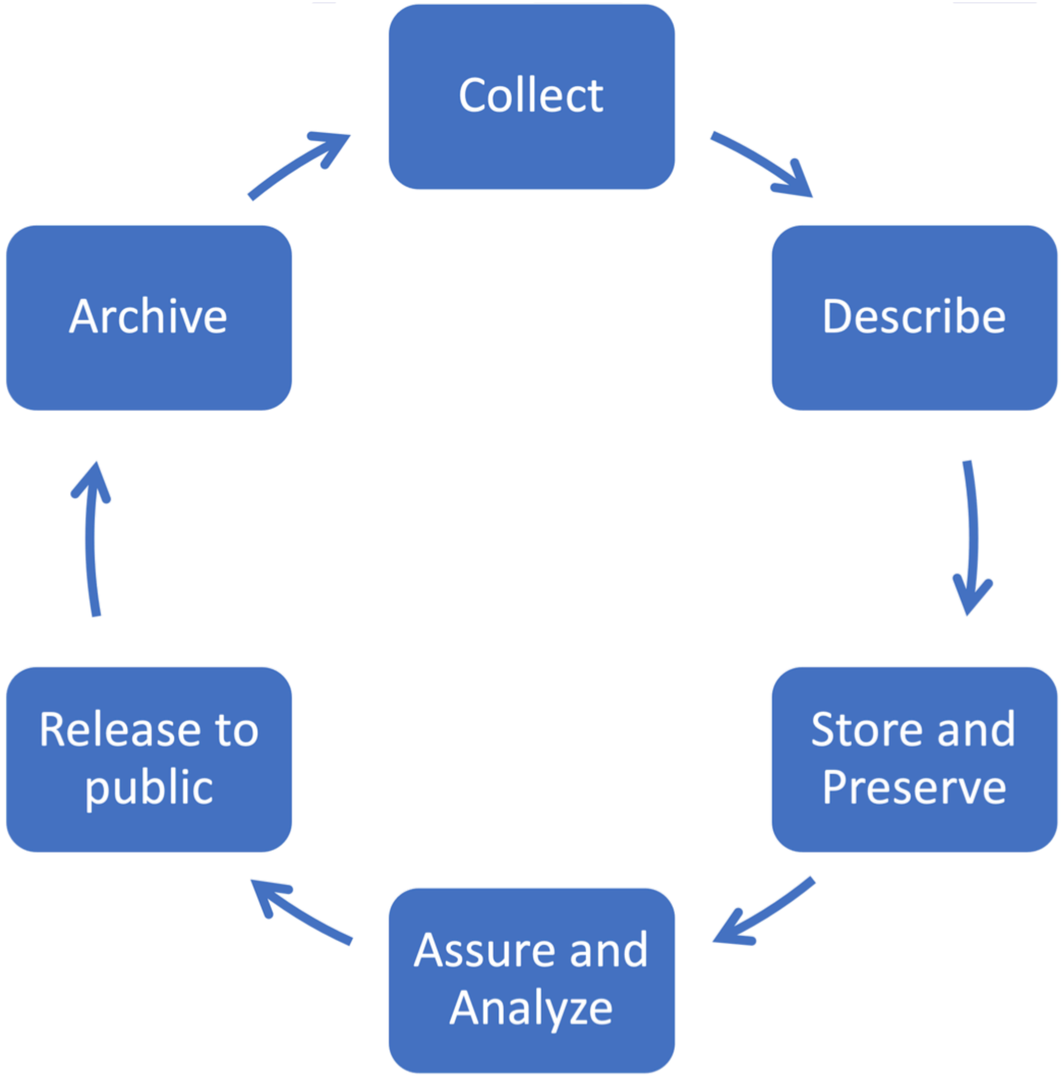
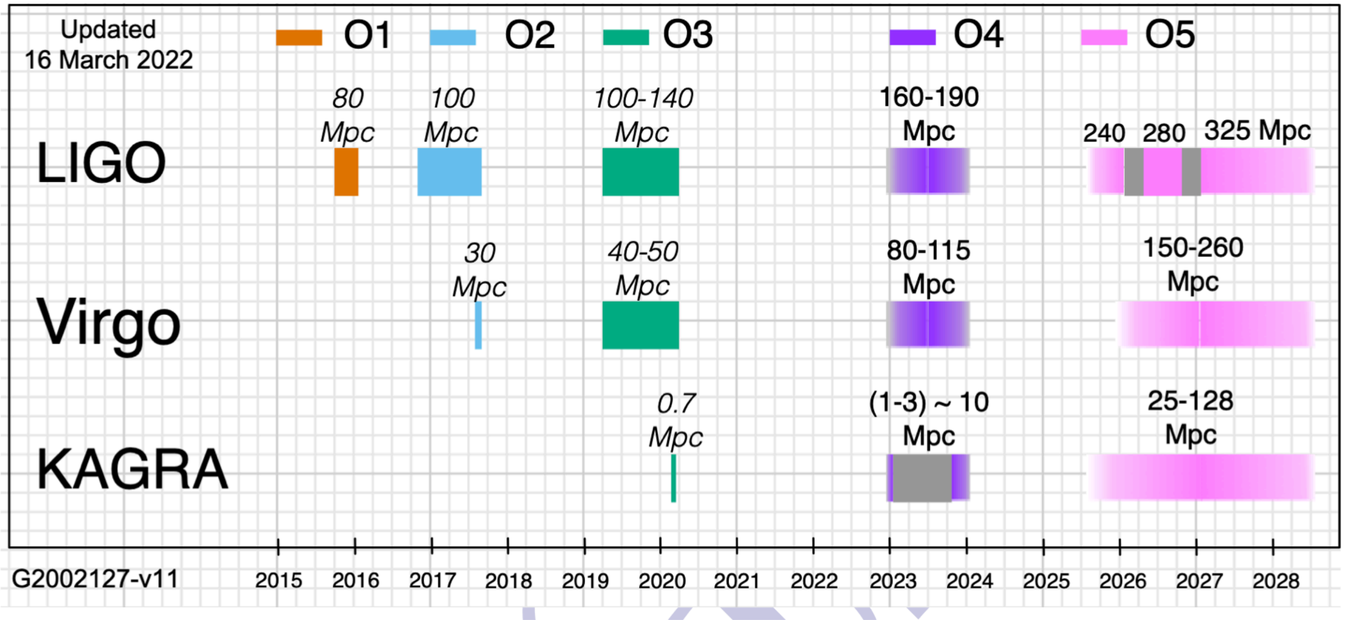
LIGO Data Life Cycle



Data Collection

- Data collected in a series of observing runs
- “Raw” frames contain 250,000 channels per IFO,
  - ~petabyte per year
- Calibrated STRAIN in own frames
  - ~terabytes per year
  - 99% of astrophysics in 1% of data



Describe

- All data stored in GWF files, with self-describing meta-data for each channel
  - Defined in *International Gravitational Wave Detectors (IGWD)* data format, established 1997 (https://dcc.ligo.org/LIGO-T970130/public)
- Acronyms for decoding: https://dcc.ligo.org/LIGO-M080375-v1/public

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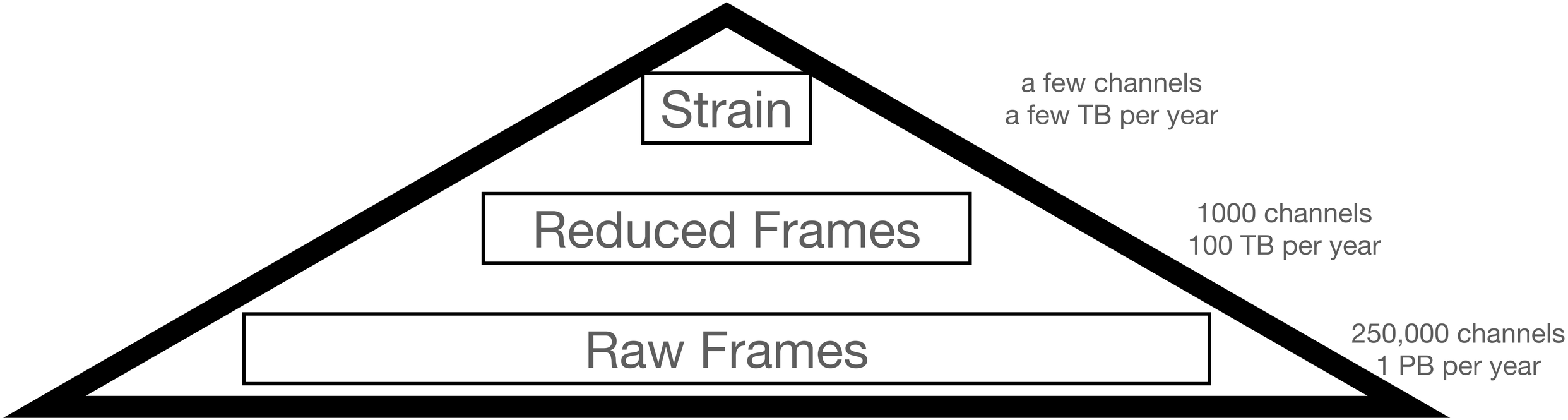
>>> from gwpy.timeseries import TimeSeries
>>> data = TimeSeries.fetch('H1:DCS-CALIB_STRAIN_CLEAN_C01_AR', start=1240559616, end=1240559626, host='losc-nds.ligo.org')
>>> print(data)
TimeSeries([3.45188295e-20, 5.52788219e-20, 6.79233525e-20, ...,
            6.73696363e-20, 3.88823380e-20, 4.08627208e-20]
           unit: strain,
           t0: 1240559616.0 s,
           dt: 6.103515625e-05 s,
           name: H1:DCS-CALIB_STRAIN_CLEAN_C01_AR,
           channel: H1:DCS-CALIB_STRAIN_CLEAN_C01_AR)
```

Store and preserve

- Raw frames during observing runs preserved for life of lab
- Raw frames between observing runs “reduced” after set time period
- All data stored at multiple locations



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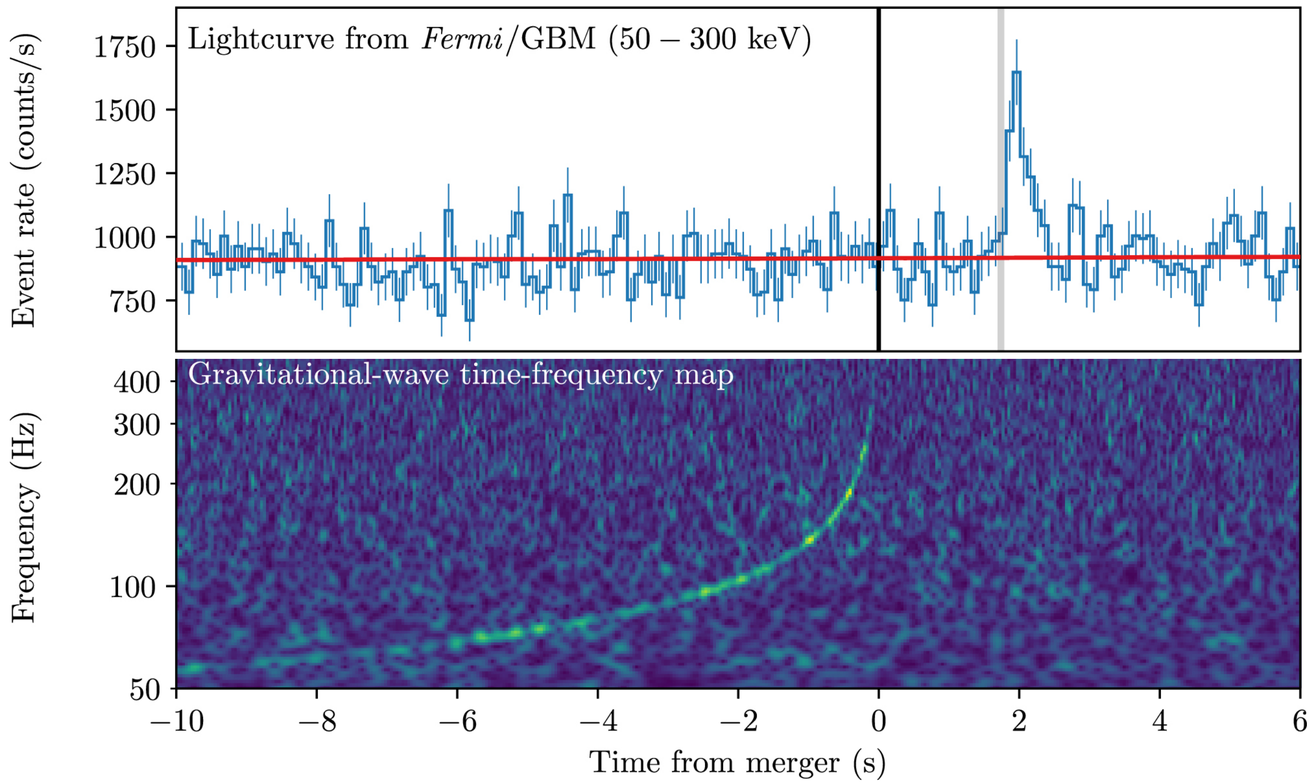

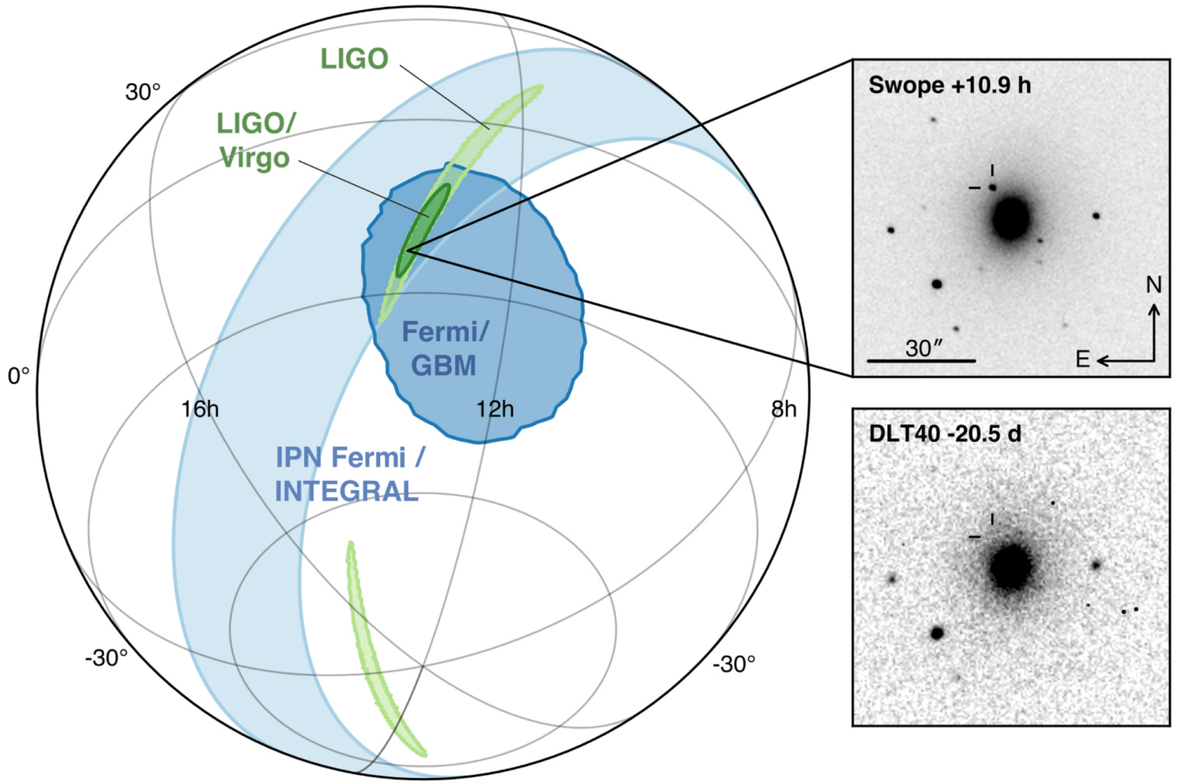

LIGO / Virgo / KAGRA share data and perform low-latency analysis

Results public within minutes

Telescopes perform follow-up observations

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