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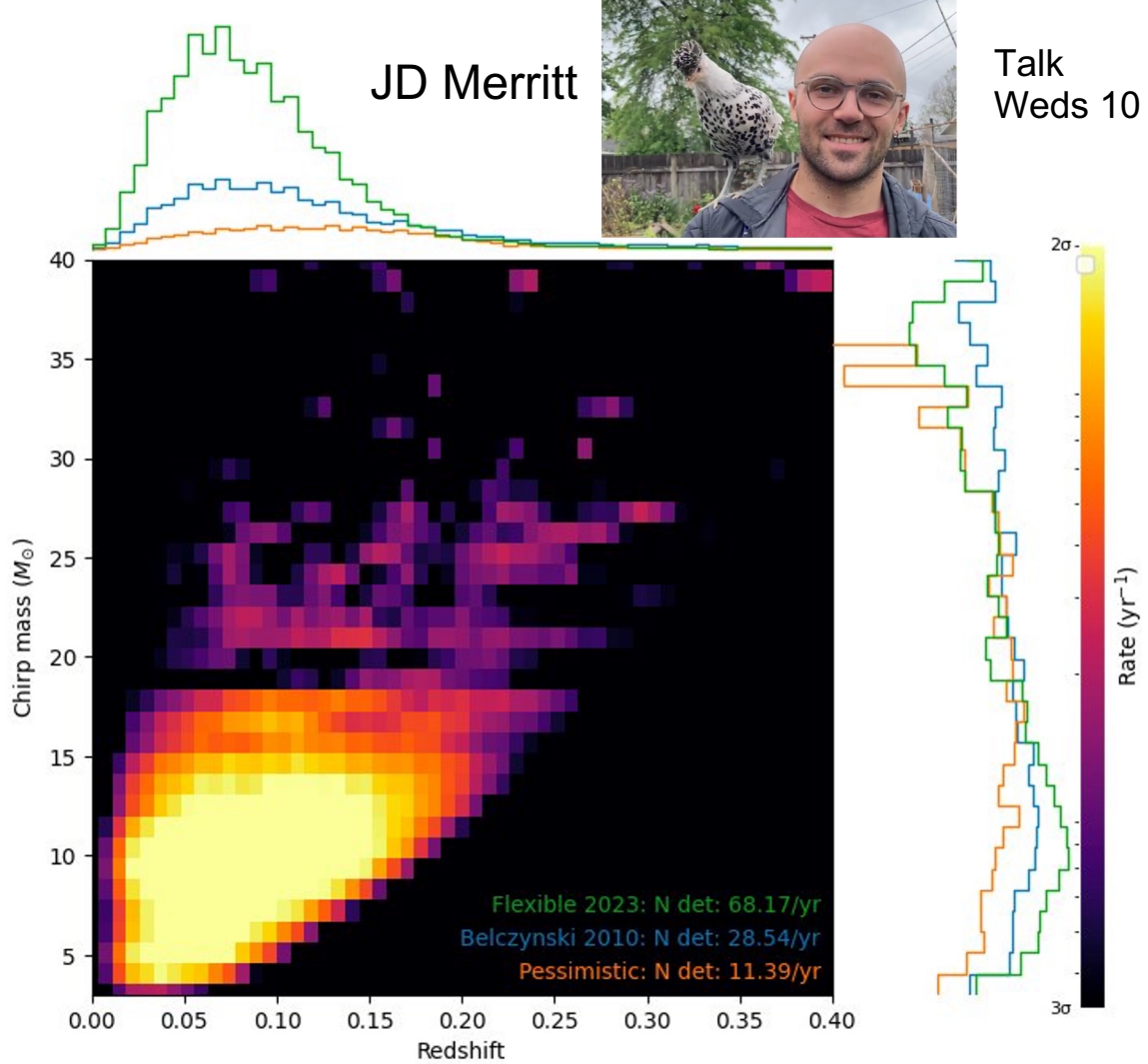
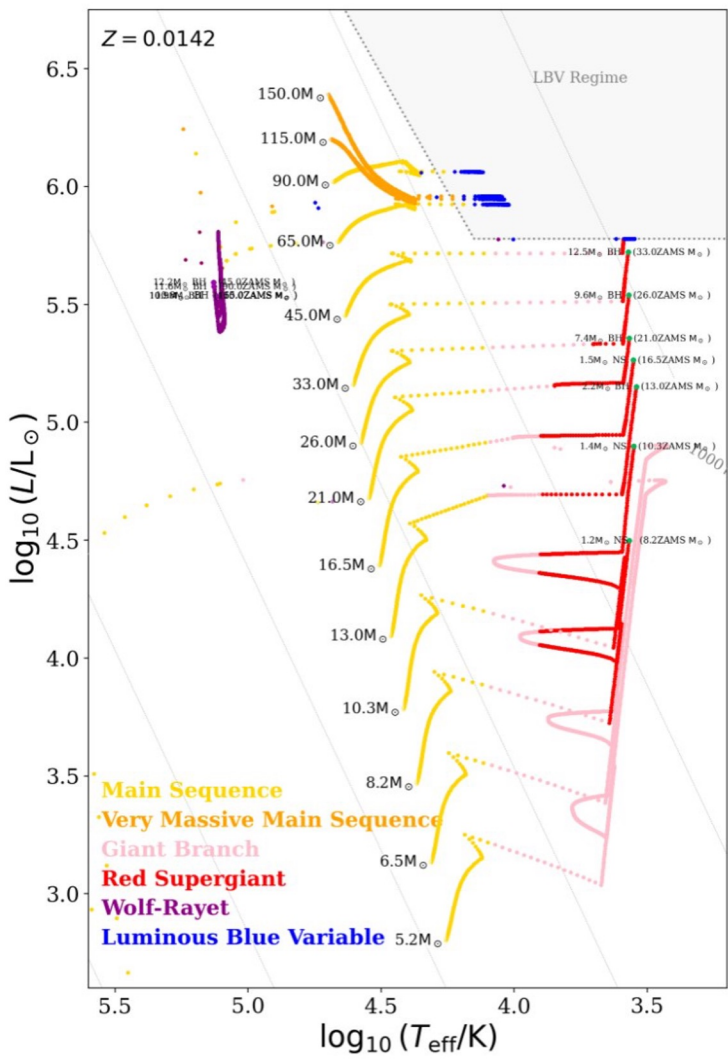


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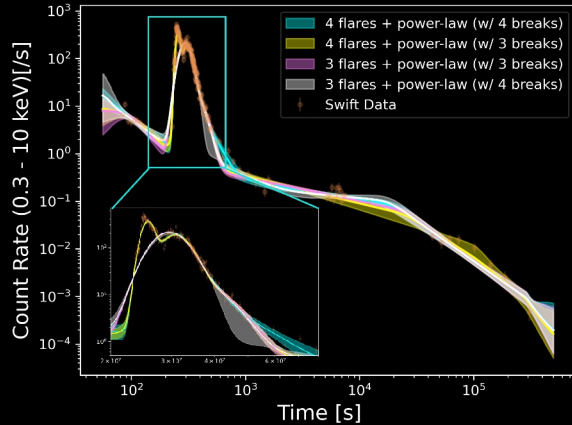
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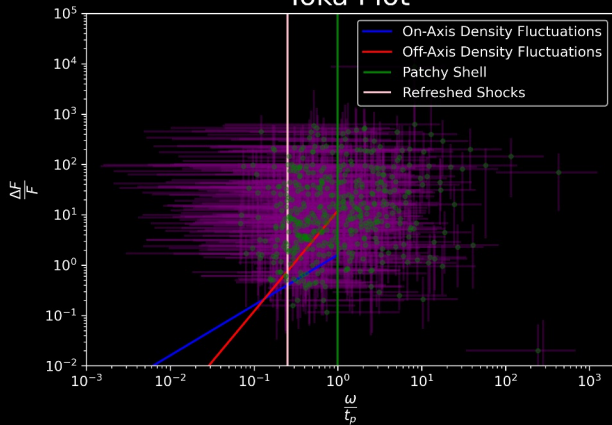


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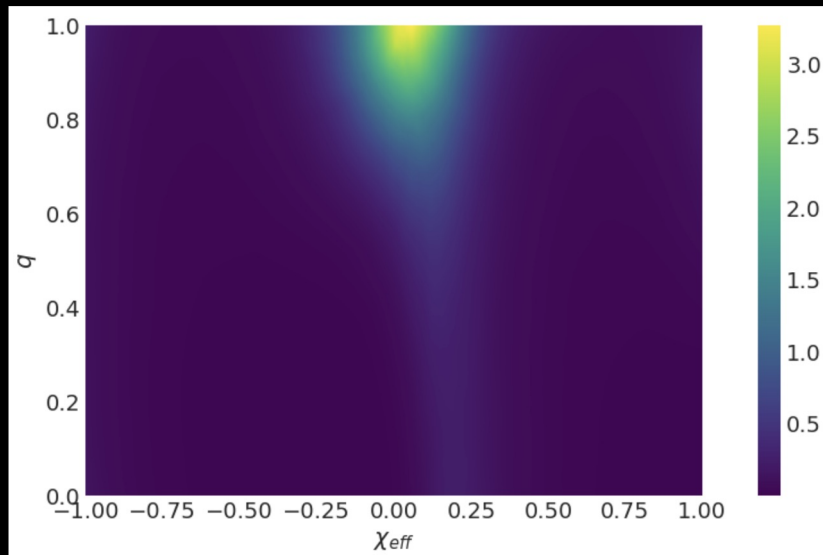


Ioka Plot



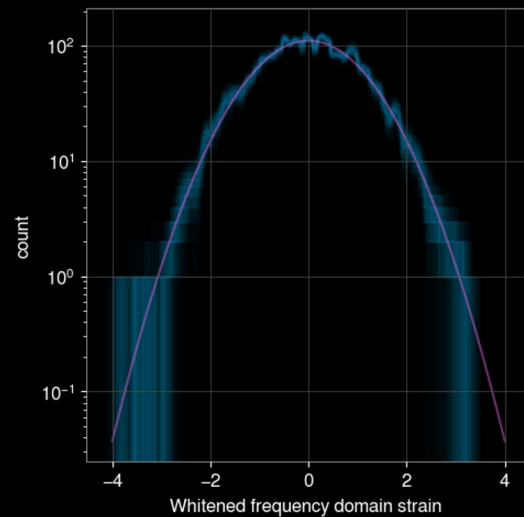
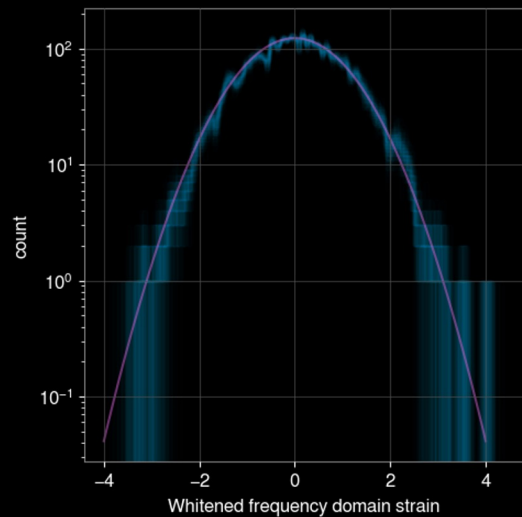
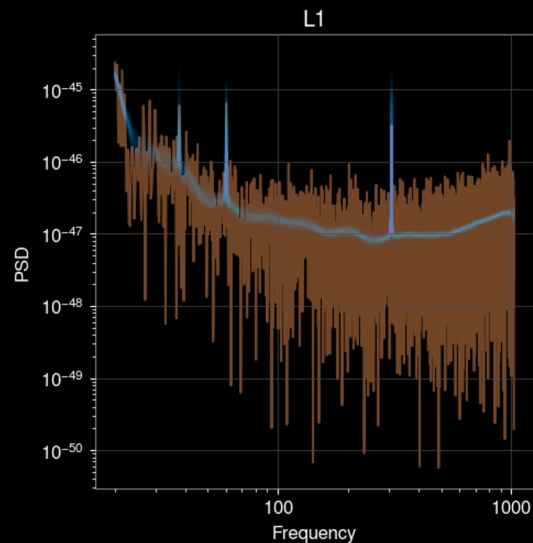
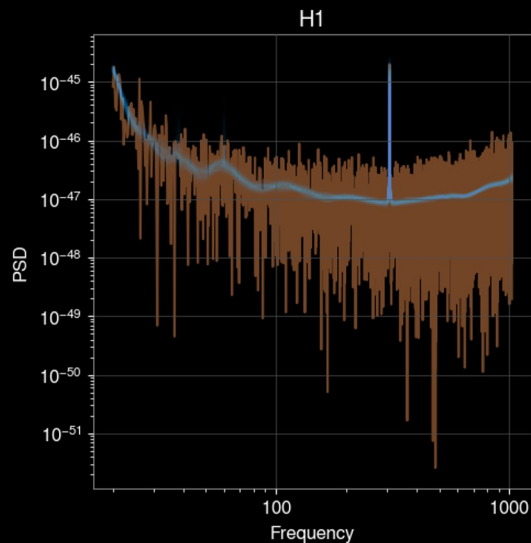
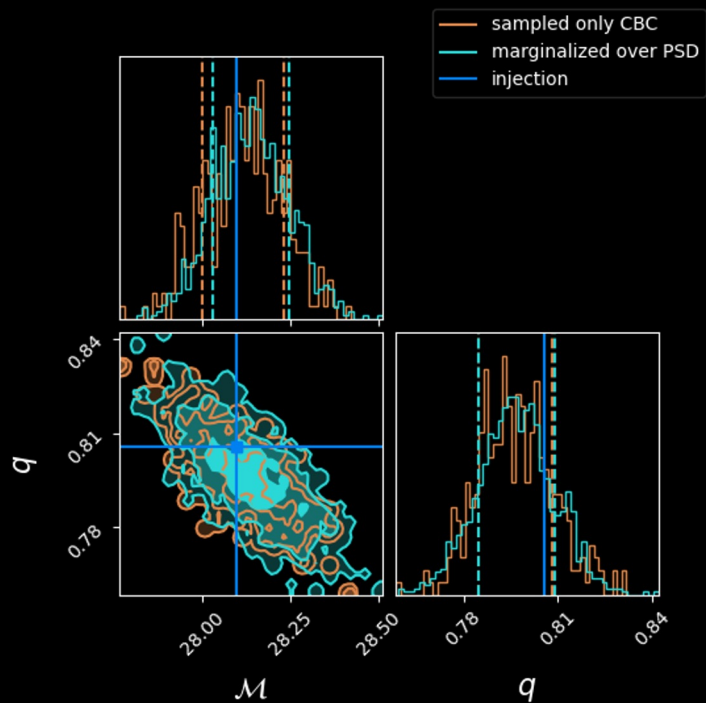
Gino Carrillo

# Application of 2D-Bsplines in search of q-chi\_eff correlations



# Parametric PSDs

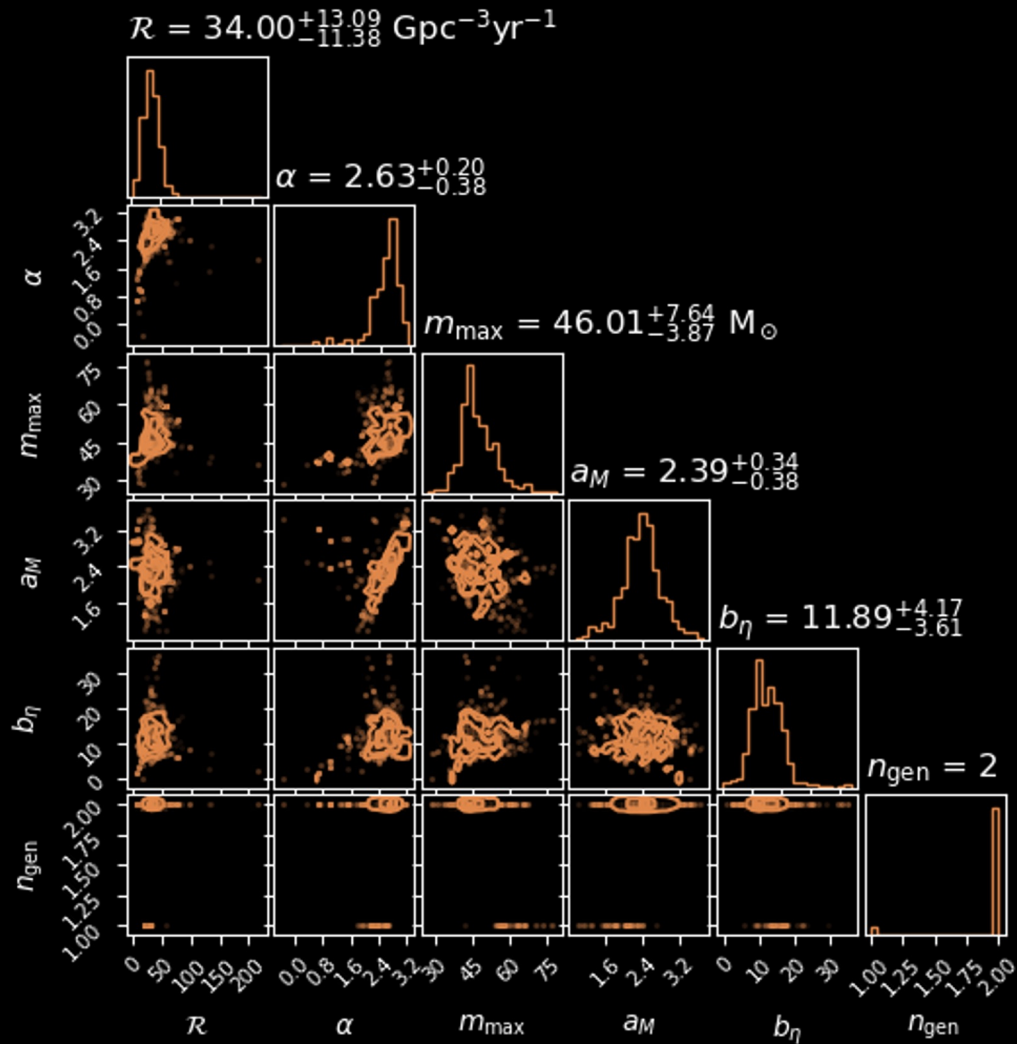
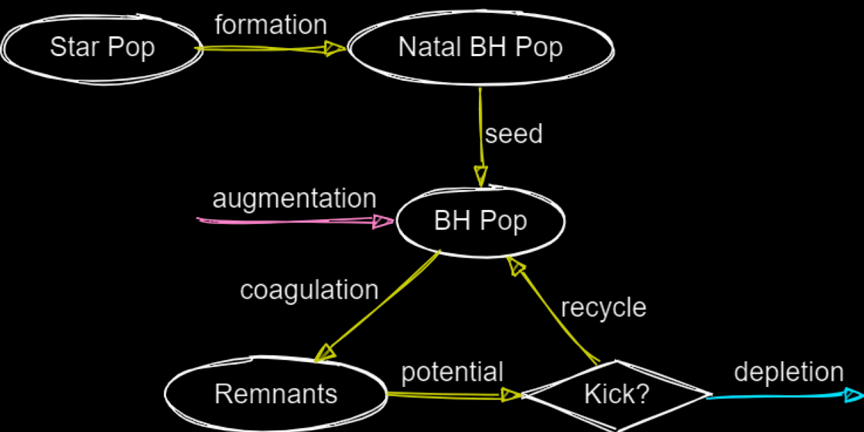
Simultaneous inference of CBC and noise parameters.



# Hierarchical Mergers

Model: BH Coagulation.

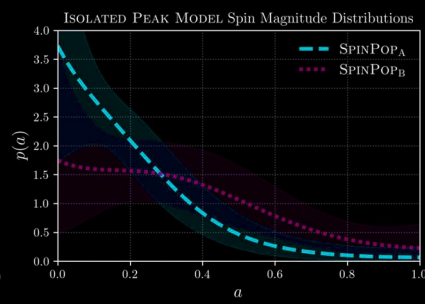
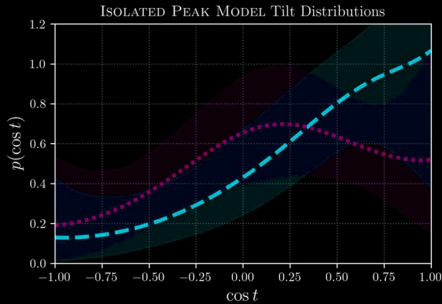
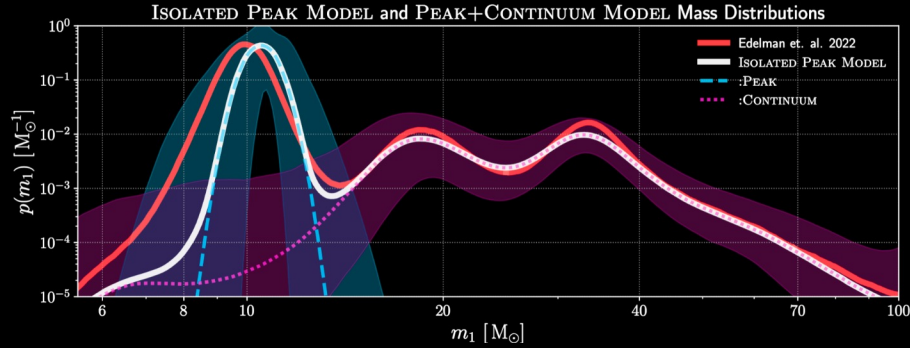
Bayesian inference of natal populations, dynamical environments, merger rates, and merger ancestries.



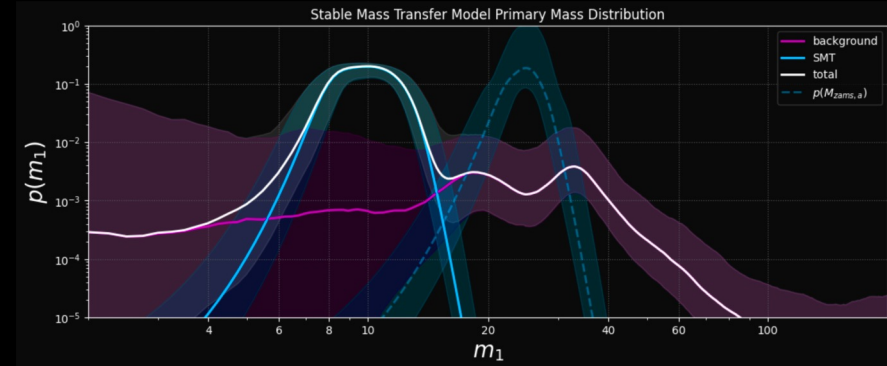


# BBH Subpopulation Models

## Cosmic Cousins: 10 Msun Subpopulation (update)



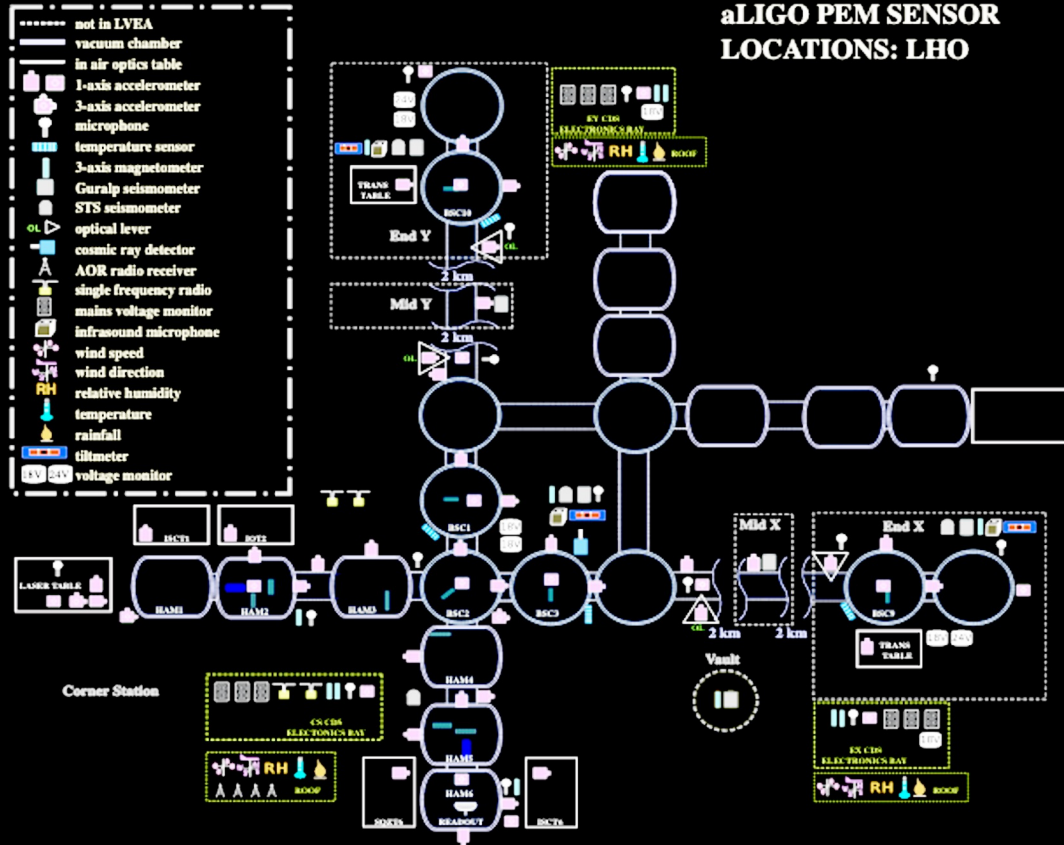
## New Project: Building a Model for Stable Mass Transfer BHs



-> Directly model mass distributions of BBH progenitor stars (dashed curve) that undergo stable mass transfer prior to BBH formation

-> prelim results: 10 Msun peak consistent with SMT channel

# Environmental noise measurement in aLIGO



•The non-GW environment – are the candidates GW signals?

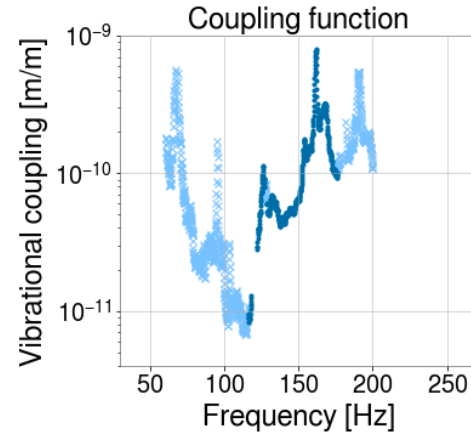
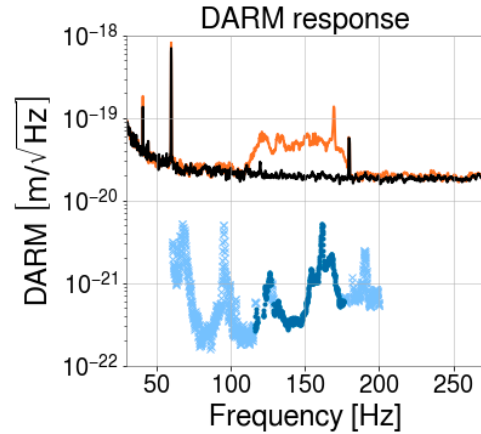
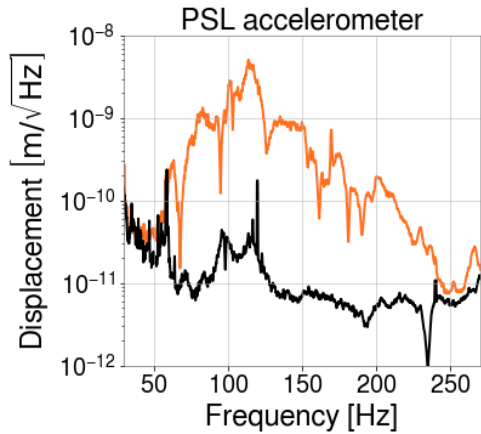
UO responsible for development and maintenance of instrumentation (PEM) required to measure the non-GW environment and its coupling to DARM

(Schofield, students)

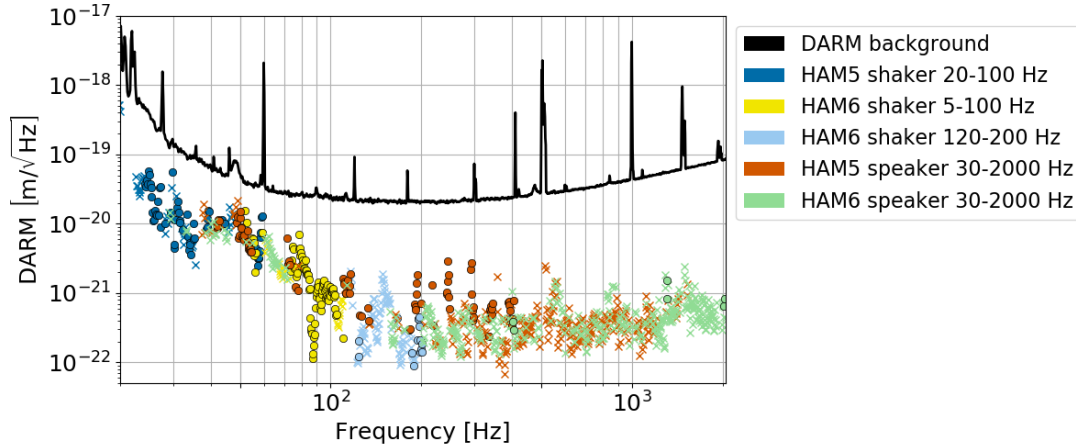
•Commissioning, noise hunting and mitigation (Schofield, et al)



# Quantitative measurement of the effect of environmental noise



Schofield, Nguyen,  
Helmling-Cornell,  
Frey  
Class. Quant.  
Grav. 38 (2021)

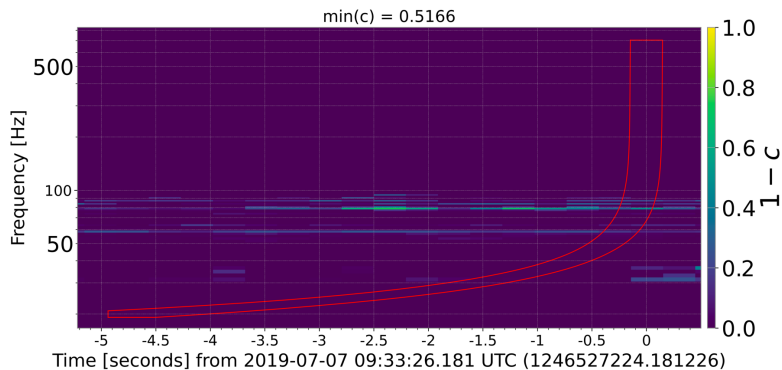


This example (O3) for vibrational coupling, e.g. upconverted ground motion (seismic, wind, etc). Others include:

- Magnetic fields
- Acoustic noise
- RF
- Cosmic rays

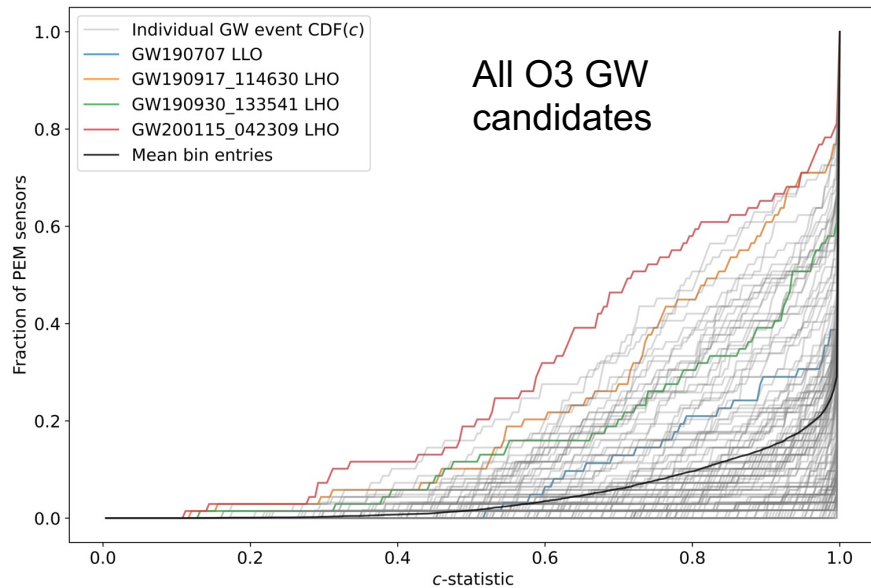
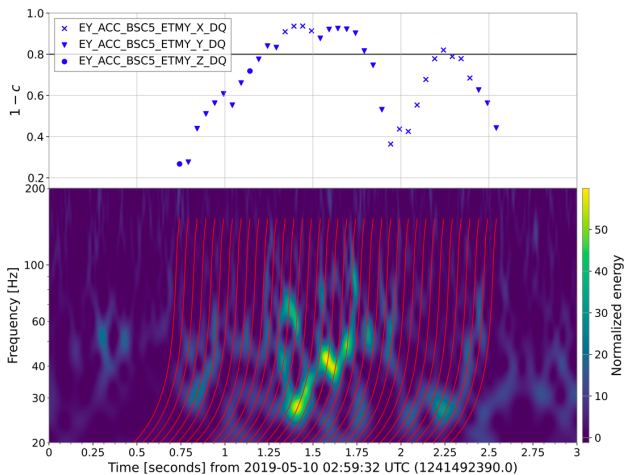
# Using the coupling fns to vet GW candidates in low-ish latency – the PEMcheck DQR app

Adrian Helmling-Cornell, Schofield, Nguyen, Frey to appear in CQG

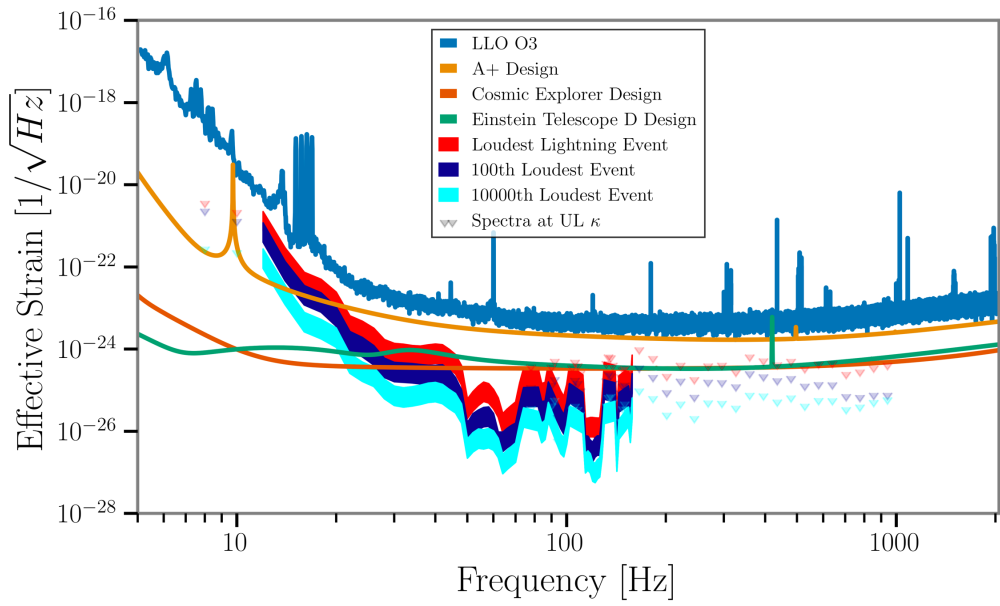
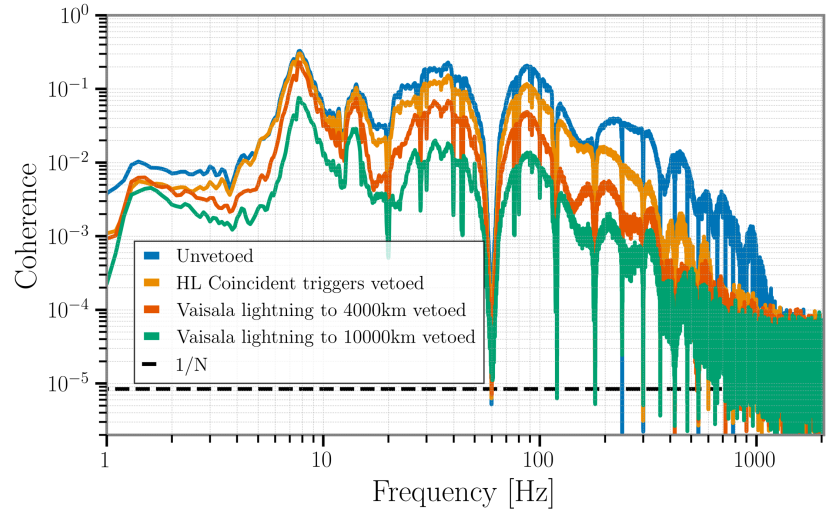
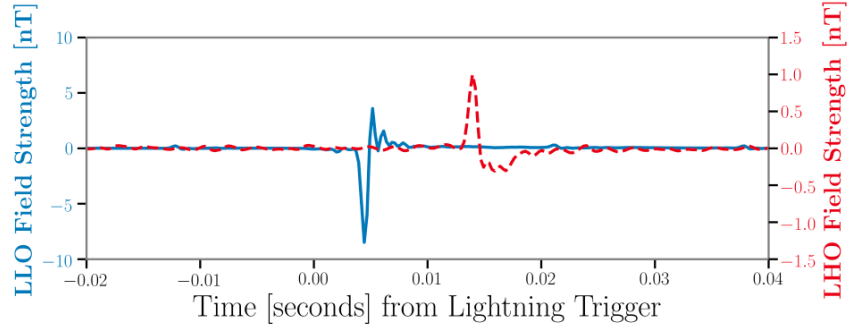


A statistic (c-statistic) is calculated to indicate the possibility of environmental contamination.  $c < 0.2$  considered suspicious

Sanity check:  
Thunderclap



# Lightning-induced coherent magnetic noise



If the coupling of magnetic fields to DARM is unchanged, a BNS signal in Cosmic Explorer will include ~100 lightning strokes

# Astrophysical inference from NS f-modes

Matthew Ball, Frey, Merfeld  
arXiv:2310.15315

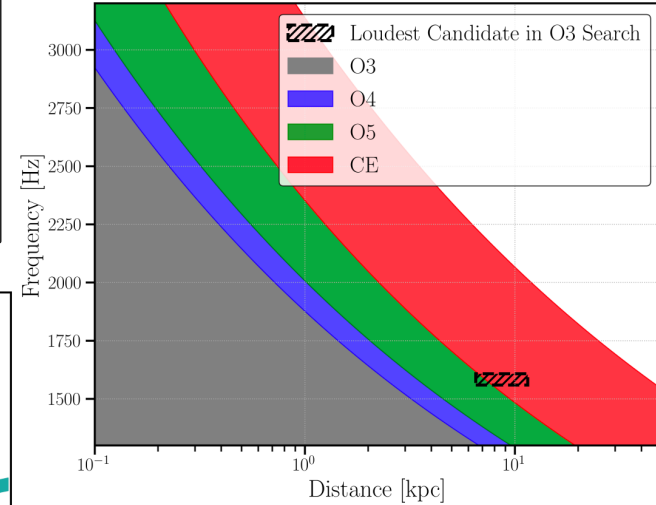
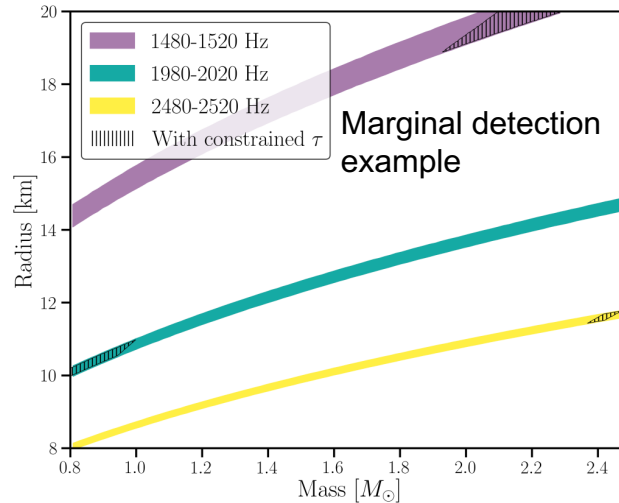


- X-ray flares from magnetars accompany a major perturbation, such as crust cracking or B-field rearrangement
- These probably ring up mechanical modes: f-modes  $\rightarrow$  GWs
- Can use a detection or non-detection to infer NS properties
- Use Bilby PE code to infer parameters

f-modes as damped sinusoids  
(Andersson & Kokkotas)

$$\nu_{GW}(kHz) \approx 0.78 + 1.635 \left( \frac{\bar{M}}{\bar{R}^3} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau_{GW}(s)} \approx \frac{\bar{M}^3}{\bar{R}^4} \left[ 22.85 - 14.65 \left( \frac{\bar{M}}{\bar{R}} \right) \right]$$



Distance/frequency space  
where 10% of candidates could be detected with SNR>3 for current/future detectors

# Vela Glitch of April 29, 2024

Radio observations:

- Rotational frequency changed:  $\frac{\Delta f}{f} \sim 2.4 \times 10^{-6}$
- Time of glitch known to  $\sim \pm 4$  s

An impulse which can ring up f-modes ?

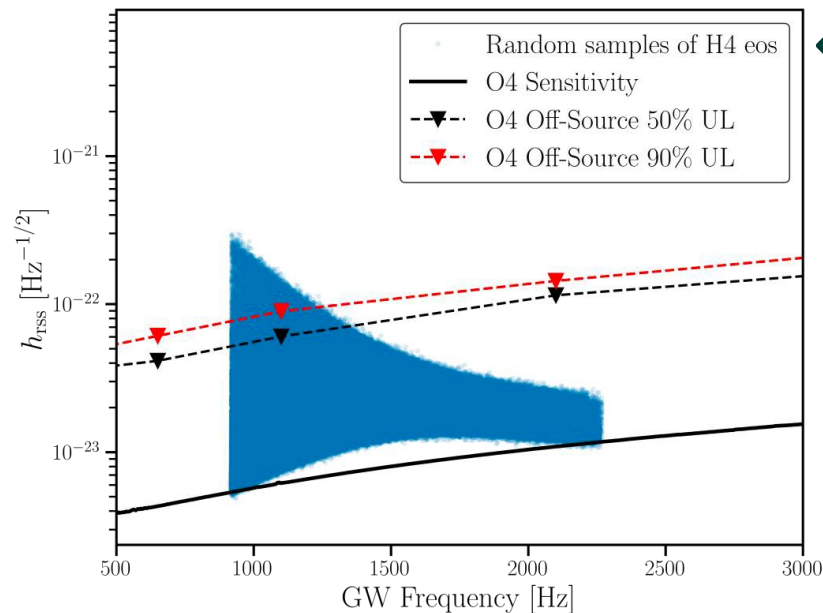
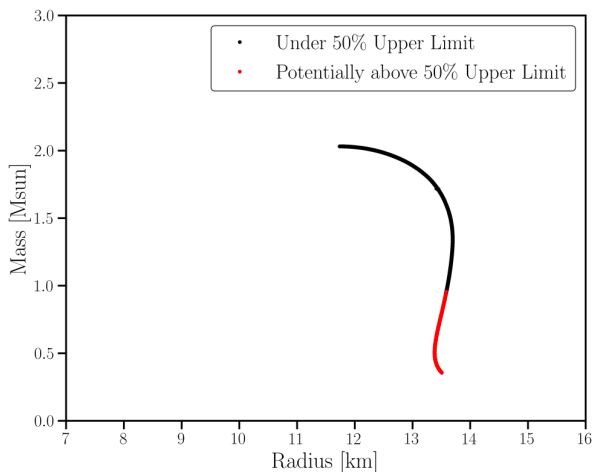
→ analysis ~ magnetar flare

Vela distance: 267 pc



Matthew Ball,  
Frey, et al

Assume all  
glitch energy  
goes into f-  
modes:

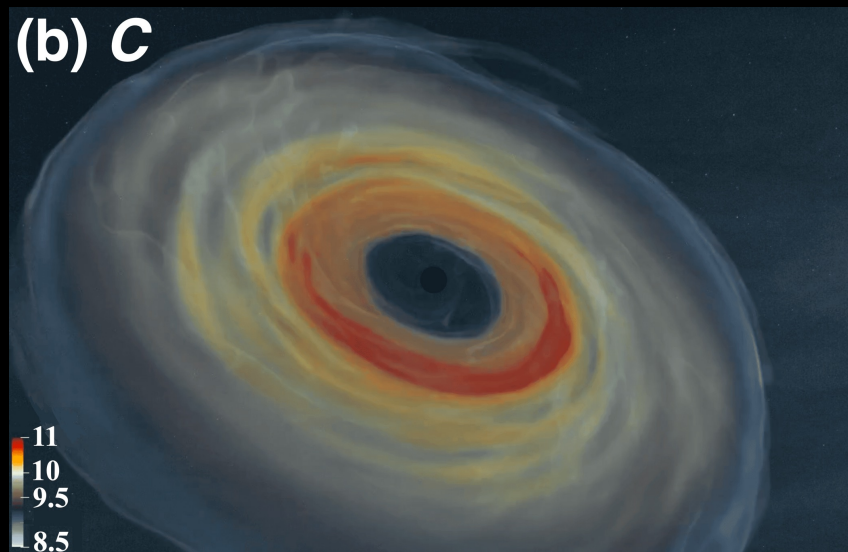
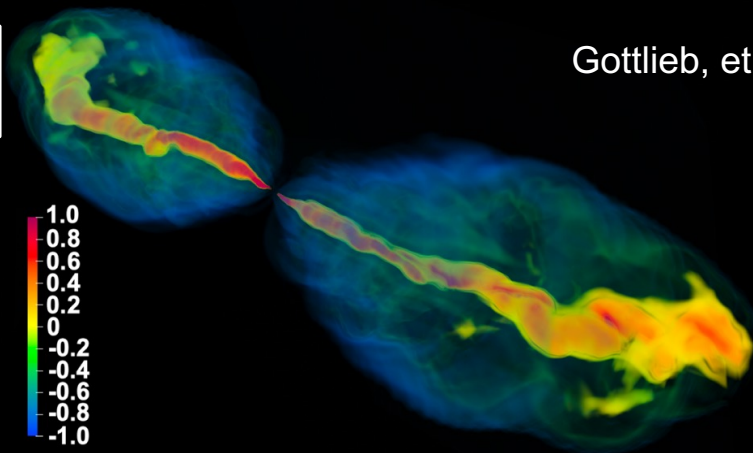


# GWs from collapsars

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Genevieve Connolly

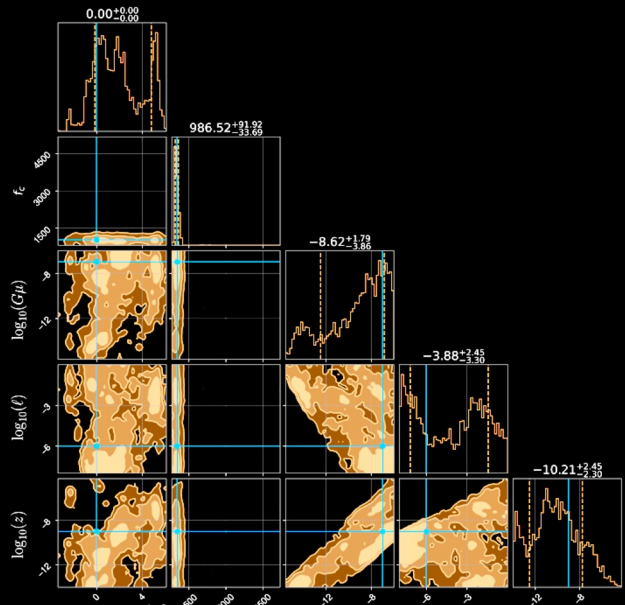
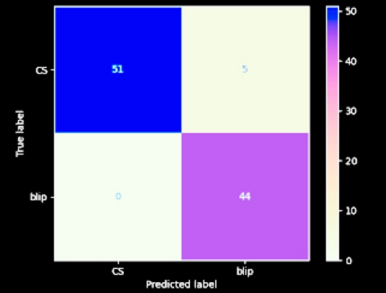
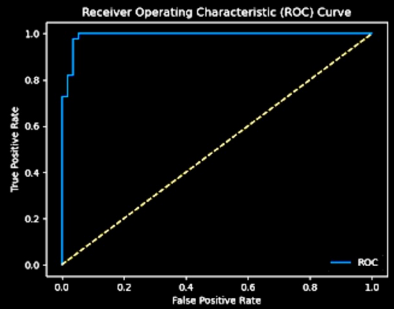
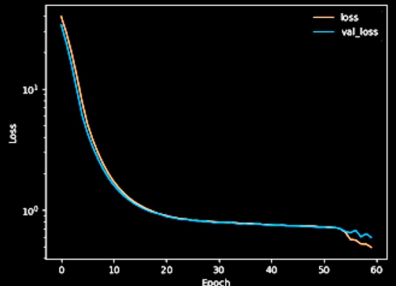
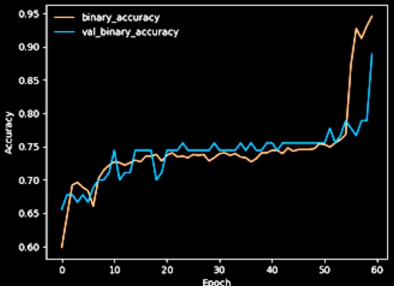
Gottlieb, et al

- Collapsars: The collapse of massive, highly rotating evolved stars
- Progenitors of (most) long GRBs (gamma-ray light curves longer than  $\sim 2s$ )
- LGRB placement follows star formation
  - Most distant  $z \sim 8$
  - Nearest 40 Mpc (pre-LIGO)
  - Redshifts largely unmeasured (few %)
- Collapsar accretion disks long considered to be potential GW sources – non-homogeneities
  - van Puttten, Piro & Pfahl
- Recent full hydrodynamic simulations optimistic
- GWs from wobbling jets (top)
- GWs from generic accretion disk formation (bottom)
- The GW emission extends well outside the GRB
  - Searches triggered by GRB detection
  - Searches triggered by Type Ib,c SN



# Blip Glitches and Cosmic Strings

Machine learning methods for distinguishing GWs from cosmic strings from glitches in the detector, parameter estimation with injected GW CS signals, O4 burst search (Helmling-Cornell)



arrival time    cutoff freq.    tension    size    dist.

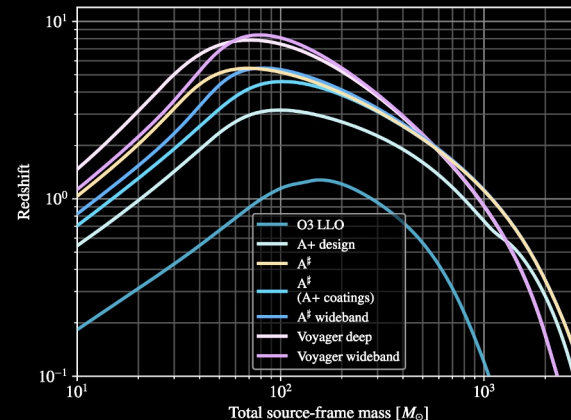
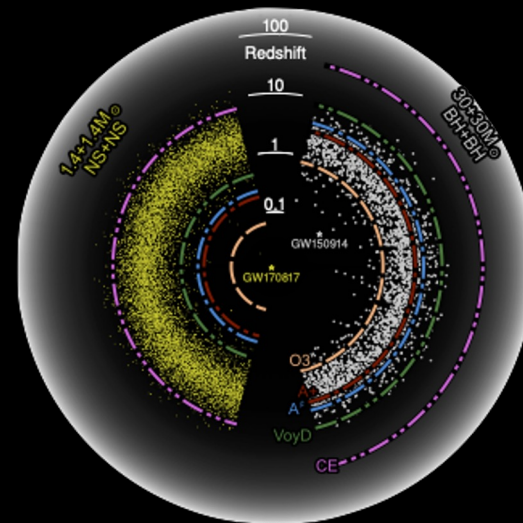
# Post-O5

What should we do with current facilities after O5?

LASER INTERFEROMETER GRAVITATIONAL WAVE OBSERVATORY  
- LIGO -

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## Report from the LSC Post-O5 Study Group

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