

# The joint search for Gravitational Wave and Low Energy Neutrino signals from Core-Collapse Supernovae

*Methodology and Status report*

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# Motivation

- 0) **The discovery of gravitational waves (GW) by the LIGO project**
- 1) The registration of GW is a new method for the study of astrophysical objects/phenomena
- 2) Investigation of processes with different types of radiation
  - Complementarity in the study of a particular object/phenomenon
  - Clarifying the GW properties and mechanisms of their generation
  - Increase confidence in detection and reliability of data
  - Usage of any kind of radiation as a marker pointing to a specific astrophysical phenomenon
- 3) Neutrinos and gravitational waves have a few similar properties
  - $\nu$  and GW aren't virtually distorted with interstellar matter
  - Propagate with almost the same speed ( $v = c$ )

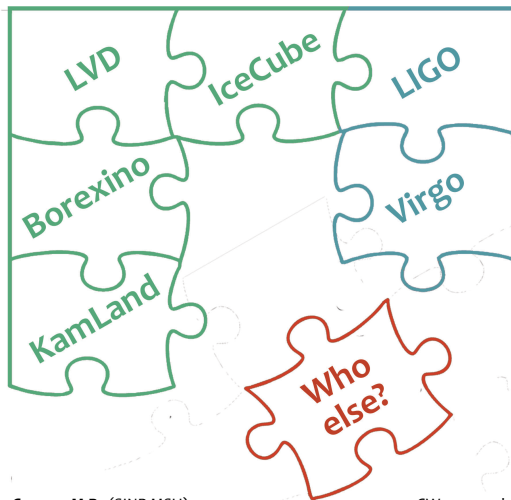
The possibility to investigate processes in very compact and massive objects

## Main goal:

**Search and investigation of supernova explosions  
in the Local Group**

## Participants

**GWNU** is a working group (not a collaboration)  
to search for correlations in the data of the GW and  $\nu$  experiments



**The end of 2014**  
The beginning of data  
exchange and  
development of the  
methodology

**April 2016**  
KamLAND has officially  
joined to the group

## General requirements

It's obvious that more detectors in the network means more reliable results and higher the chance to register a supernova. But there are some requirements which increase the probability of success:

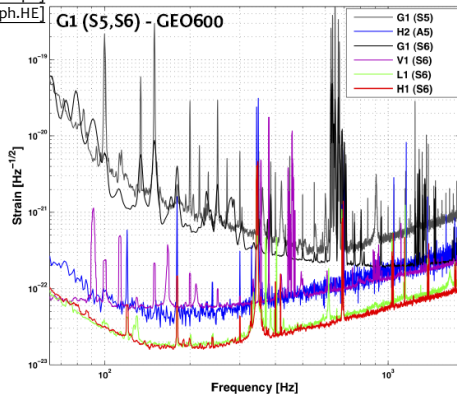
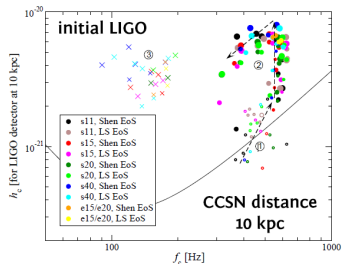
- 1) The GW and  $\nu$  detectors must work **simultaneously**  
The duty cycles are not 100% and the low level of accidental coincidence is needed
- 2) More detectors means softer cuts, more information
- 3) It requires at least 3 GW detectors to determine the sky position [1] of the **Silent supernova** because the latter isn't observed with electromagnetic radiation (such SNe are behind the centres of galaxies for observers).

[1] Living Rev. Relativity 19 (2016), 1; arXiv:1304.0670v3 [gr-qc]

# General requirements

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Right: Phys. Rev. D 89, 122004 (2014); arXiv:1405.1053v2 [astro-ph.HE]



## 4) Wideband GW telescopes

Candidates (they are not included in the current network):

- **GEO600** Its sensitivity should be enough for GW observations from supernovae
- **KAGRA** Probably it will begin operations in 2018
- **aLIGO-H2 (LIGO-India)** Probably it will begin operations in 2022

## First step

The first step of joint analysis is to account for the single detector **its duty cycle** and hence calculate **the common observation time** of the network of involved detectors or any of the resulting subnetworks.

## Two types of the joint analysis

### 1

Model-independent search for correlations between possible  $\nu$  bursts\* and gravitational waves

\*any flavours and reaction channels

**Status: ongoing**

### 2

Search for correlations between Inverse  $\beta$ -decay events and gravitational waves

The first attempt has been made by KamLAND [2]

**Status: under discussion**

[2] A. Gando et al. (KamLAND collaboration), 2016, arXiv:1606.07155v1

## False Alarm Rate and Joint False Alarm Rate

- The **False Alarm Rate (FAR)** or the Imitation Frequency) is a number of accidental background fluctuation above the SN detection threshold per year.
- The **joint FAR** is a number of accidental coincidence of detector signals in the network

$$FAR_{joint} = \prod_{i=1}^N FAR_i \times (2t_{coin})^{N-1}, \quad (1)$$

where  $t_{coin}$  is a coincidence window between GW and  $\nu$  signals in which the correlation is looked for.

**Conservative approach:**  $t_{coin} = 10$  s, whereas in some paper it's in order of tens ms [3].

The factor "2" is due to unknown time order of signals.

[3] G. Pagliaroli et al., Phys.Rev.Lett.103:031102,2009; arXiv:0903.1191v1



## Some estimations

Let's choose the joint FAR of **1 cluster/1000 yr** and the GW subnetwork FAR of **1 cl/1 month**. Applying the formula 1:

$$FAR_{joint} = \frac{1 \text{ CL}}{1000 \text{ YR}} = \quad (2)$$

$$= FAR_{GW} \times FAR_{LVD} \times FAR_{IceCube} \times FAR_{BX} \times (2t_{coin})^3 \quad (3)$$

Assuming the same FAR per each  $\nu$  detector:

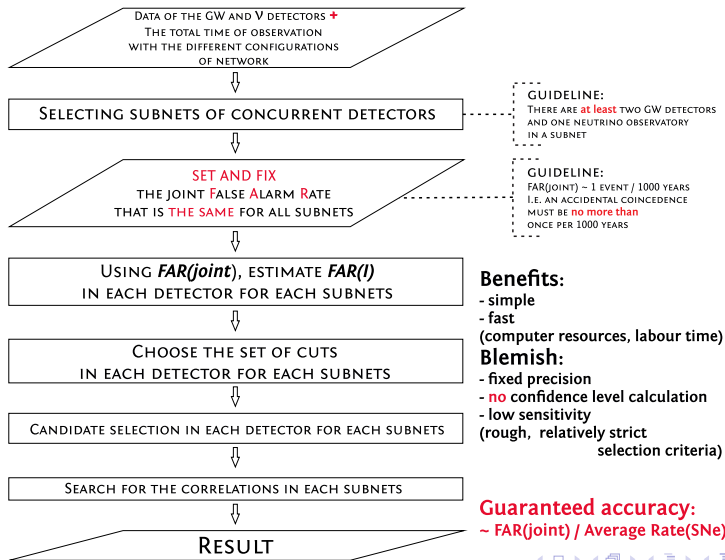
$$FAR_{\nu} \sim 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Hz} \sim \frac{1 \text{ CL}}{10 \text{ MIN}} \quad (4)$$

If there is only one detector it's necessary to stay at very low value of  $FAR_i$  in order to be statistically significant.

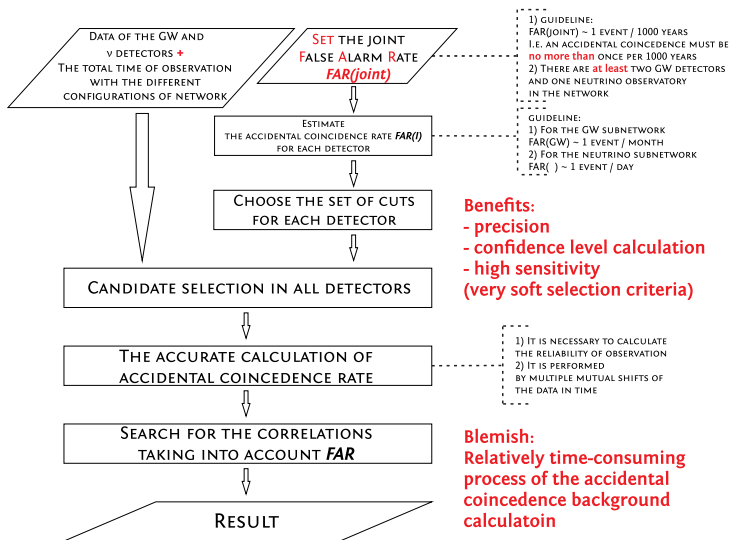
► The value equals **1 cl/100 yr** in the LVD paper [4].

[4] N.Y. Agafonova et al. (LVD Collaboration), The Astrophysical Journal, 802:47, 2015; arXiv:1411.1709v2

# Strategy of unbiased search. Variant 1



## Strategy of unbiased search. Variant 2



## Example of the FAR calculation (for Borexino)

According the LVD paper [4]:

- search for clusters of  $\nu$ -candidate events
- each event could be the first of a possible  $\nu$  burst
- the duration  $\Delta t$  of clusters is unknown a priori, so let's consider all possible  $\Delta t < \Delta t_{max}$
- let  $\Delta t_{max} = 100$  s - the same one as in LVD ()
- $\nu$ -candidate event selection
  - ▶ This set is really soft in case of Borexino due to its purity.  
For the moment: **not a muon**, **not a noise**, **0.85 < E < 60 MeV**.
- calculation of average background  $f_{bk}$  for each period of measurements under constant conditions (trigger levels, purity,...)
  - ▶ Every  $\nu$ -candidate event is considered as a background event

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## Example of the FAR calculation (for Borexino, continuation)

According to the LVD paper [4] (continuation):

- each cluster is characterized by duration  $\Delta t_i$  and multiplicity  $m_i$
- each cluster is associated with  $FAR_i^{cl}$  as it's shown in [5]:

$$FAR_i^{cl} = f_{bk}^2 \Delta t_{max} \sum_{k \geq m_i - 2} P(k, f_{bk} \Delta t_i), \quad (5)$$

where  $P(k, f_{bk} \Delta t_i)$  is the Poisson probability to have  $k$  events in the time window  $\Delta t_i$ ,  $i$  -- the detector index

- choose those clusters that have  $FAR_i^{cl} < FAR_i^{th}$ , where  $FAR_i^{th}$  is the FAR estimation for the detector  $i$ .

$$FAR_{LVD\text{Only}}^{th} = 1 \text{ cl}/100 \text{ yr}; \quad FAR_{BXnet}^{th} = 1 \text{ cl}/10 \text{ min}$$

[4] N.Y. Agafonova et al. (LVD Collaboration), *The Astrophysical Journal*, 802:47, 2015; arXiv:1411.1709v2

[5] W. Fulgione, N. Mengotti-Silva and L. Panaro, *NIMPA*, 368, 2, 512–516 (1996)

## What's next?

### To test the technique on archived data - **ongoing**

For the moment the analysis uses data 2005-2014

### Simulation. For what?

- Verification techniques and tools
- The efficiency of the search for correlations depending on the distance to the supernova and the number of detectors in the network - **ongoing**

### How?

By inserting the generated signals to real data

**Penalty: model-dependent efficiency**

## Difficulties and limitations

### Difficulties:

- Measurement techniques for different neutrino detectors are different.  
As a result, the  $FAR_i$  is calculated differently, and depends on different physical quantities
- Some tools are not ready
- What models can be considered as the references?

### Physical limitation:

- **It's expected that the collapse must be asymmetrical**

# What models can be considered as the references?

## Neutrino radiation

The first approach:

reproduce SN1987A signal, taking, for example, the main parameters from the analysis G. Pagliaroli, F. Vissani, M.L. Costantini, A. Ianni  
 "Improved analysis of SN1987A antineutrino events", 2009 [6]

Other suggestions:

1) This is the so-called Lawrence Livermore model, with characteristics similar to SN1987A. It is clearly outdated, but often used for a comparison between experiments.

T. Totani, K. Sato, H.E. Dalhed, J.R. Wilson "Future Detection of Supernova Neutrino Burst and Explosion Mechanism", 1998 [7]

2) This is sort of the most conservative assumption producing the lowest flux.

L. Huedepohl, B. Mueller, H.-Th. Janka, A. Marek, G.G Raffelt "Neutrino Signal of Electron-Capture Supernovae from Core Collapse to Cooling", 2010 [8]

3) This is clearly an „optimistic assumption“ of a rare supernova, that produces lots of neutrinos with rising energy.

K. Sumiyoshi, S. Yamada, H. Suzuki "Dynamics and neutrino signal of black hole formation in non-rotating failed supernovae. I. EOS dependence", 2007 [9]

[6] [Astroparticle Physics 31 \(2009\) 163–176; arXiv:0810.0466v1 \[astro-ph\]](#)

[7] [Astrophys.J. 496 \(1998\) 216-225; arXiv:astro-ph/9710203v1](#)

[8] [Phys.Rev.Lett.104:251101,2010; Erratum-ibid.105:249901,2010; arXiv:0912.0260v3 \[astro-ph.SR\]](#)

[9] [Astrophys.J.667:382-394,2007; arXiv:0706.3762v1 \[astro-ph\]](#)



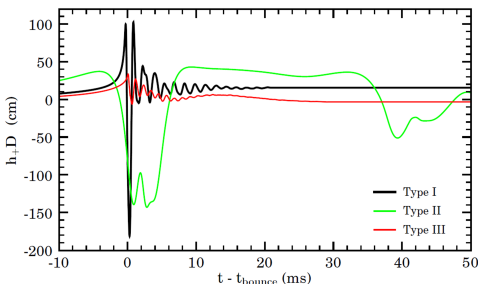
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### GW radiation

[10] [Class.Quant.Grav.26:063001,2009; arXiv:0809.0695v2 \[astro-ph\]](#)

[11] [Astron.Astrophys. 388 \(2002\) 917-935; arXiv:astro-ph/0204288v1](#)

The "last" simulations indicate that the GW signal form is likely the first type. See details in [10,11]



$$\Delta E_{GW} = 10^{-10} - 10^{-4} M_{\odot}; \quad (6)$$

$$h_c \sim 2.7 \times 10^{-20} \left( \frac{\Delta E_{GW}}{M_{\odot} c^2} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{1 \text{ kHz}}{f_c} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{10 \text{ Mpc}}{r_0} \right). \quad (7)$$

## **As a conclusion:**

**The concentration of production of scientific research  
gives us once again a possibility  
to glimpse into the depths of the universe.  
Let us not miss this opportunity!**

**Join the GWNU community!**