

# Gravitational waves and Multi-messenger astronomy: a new window on the Universe

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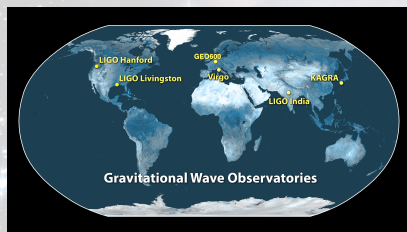
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# The first observing runs of Advanced LIGO and Advanced Virgo

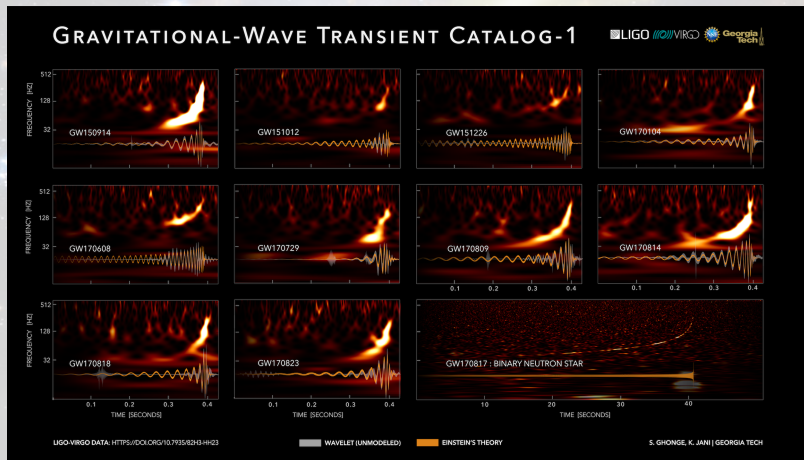


Credit: LIGO-Virgo

- *O1: September 2015 - January 2016*  
*Only the two LIGO detectors were operating*
- *O2: November 2016 - August 2017*  
*Virgo joined the network on August 1*

# The first GW transient catalog

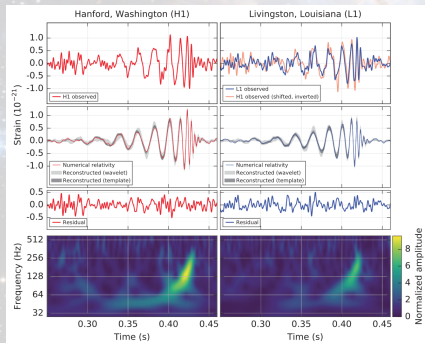
During O1 and O2 there were 11 GW detections!



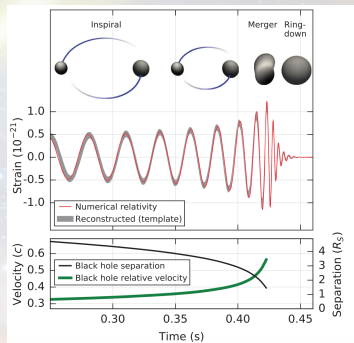
Abbott et al. 2019, PRX, 9, 031040

# GW150914: The first observation of GWs

## The observation



## The model



Abbott et al. 2016, PRL, 116, 061102

## The BBH detections

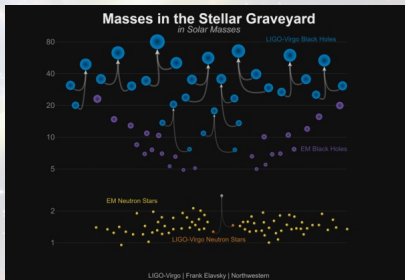
A new population of stellar mass BBH systems has been observed!

### O1

GW150914, GW151012,  
GW151226

### O2

GW170104, GW170608,  
GW170729, GW170809,  
GW170814, GW170818,  
GW170823



- First direct evidences for “heavy” stellar mass BHs ( $> 25 M_{\odot}$ )
- From the masses we can infer information on the environment:  
→ events like GW150914 most likely formed in low-metallicity environment ( $\leq 0.5 Z_{\odot}$ )
- BBH merger rate:  $53.2^{+58.5}_{-28.8} \text{ Gpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$

Abbott et al. 2016, ApJL, 818, 22

Abbott et al. 2017, PRL 118, 221101

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## How do BHs form binary systems?

### Isolated binary in galactic fields

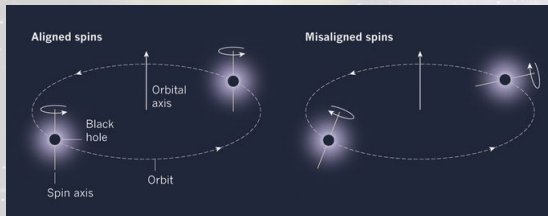


### Dynamical interactions in clusters



How can we discriminate between these two formation mechanisms?

A possibility is to look at the spins



### Isolated binary:

Spins preferentially aligned with the binary orbital angular momentum

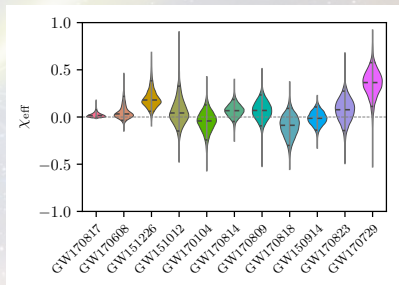
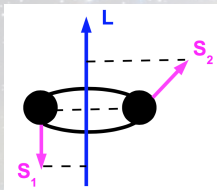
### Cluster binary:

Isotropic spin orientations

## Spin estimate with GWs

With GWs we can estimate the **effective orbital spin**

$$\chi_{eff} = \frac{c}{GM} \left( \frac{\mathbf{S}_1}{m_1} + \frac{\mathbf{S}_2}{m_2} \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{L}}$$

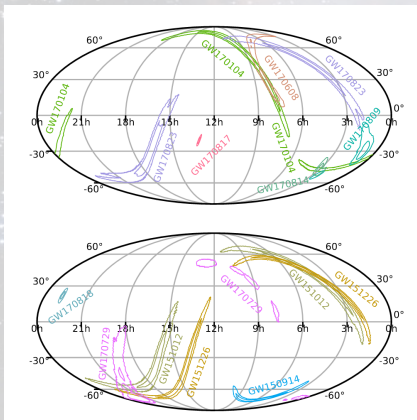


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- Scenarios in which most BHs merge with large spins aligned with the binary's orbital angular momentum are disfavoured.
- With more detections it will be possible to determine if the BH spin is preferentially aligned or isotropically distributed (see, e.g., Farr et al. 2018).



## Which is the host galaxy?



Event	$\Delta\Omega$ (deg <sup>2</sup> )	$D_L$ (Mpc)
GW150914	180	$430^{+150}_{-170}$
GW151012	1555	$1060^{+540}_{-480}$
GW151226	1033	$440^{+180}_{-190}$
GW170104	924	$960^{+430}_{-410}$
GW170608	396	$320^{+120}_{-110}$
GW170729	1033	$2750^{+1350}_{-1320}$
GW170809	340	$990^{+320}_{-380}$
GW170814	87	$580^{+160}_{-210}$
GW170818	39	$1020^{+430}_{-360}$
GW170823	1651	$1850^{+840}_{-840}$

Abbott et al. 2019, PRX, 9, 031040

Many galaxies in the universe volume corresponding to the GW events...

⇒ **Multi-messenger astronomy is needed!**

## Why multi-messenger astronomy?

GWs and photons provide complementary information about the physics of the source and its environment

### GW

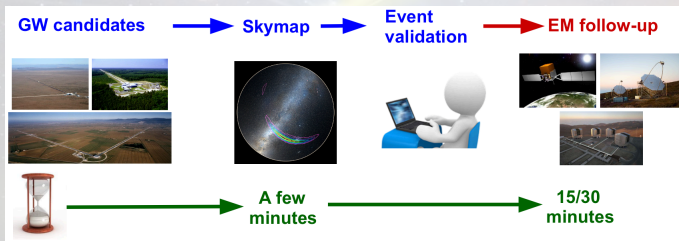
- *mass*
- *spin*
- *eccentricity*
- *system orientation*
- *luminosity distance*
- *compact object binary rate*

### EM

- *precise (arcsec) sky localization*
- *host galaxy*
- *redshift*
- *local environment*
- *emission processes*
- *acceleration mechanisms*

## EM follow-up during O1 and O2

Low-latency GW data analysis pipelines promptly identify GW candidates and send GW alerts to trigger prompt EM observations and start archival searches

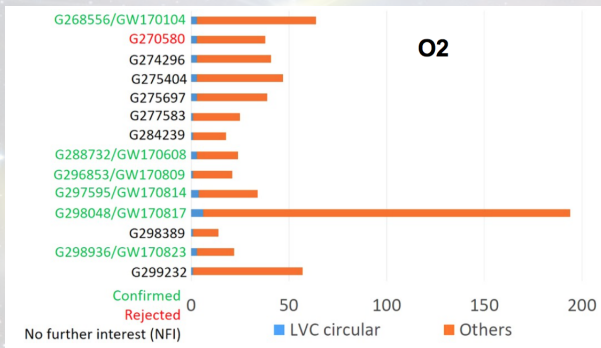


During O1 and O2 GW alerts shared only with MoU partners

## GW alerts during O1 and O2

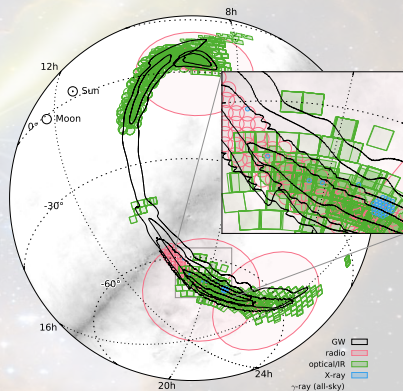
17 GW Alerts have been issued during O1 and O2:

- 3 Alerts during O1; all GW candidates have been confirmed as GW events
- 14 Alerts during O2; 6 GW candidates have been confirmed as GW events



## Searches for EM counterparts to BBH mergers

- Although no EM counterpart was expected from BBH mergers, intense EM follow-up campaigns have been performed (see, e.g., GW150914)  $\Rightarrow$
- Several candidate counterparts have been found, all identified to be normal population SNe, dwarf novae and AGN unrelated to the GW events (see, e.g., Kasliwal et al. 2016, Smartt et al. 2016)
- For all the detected BBH mergers no firm EM counterpart has been found

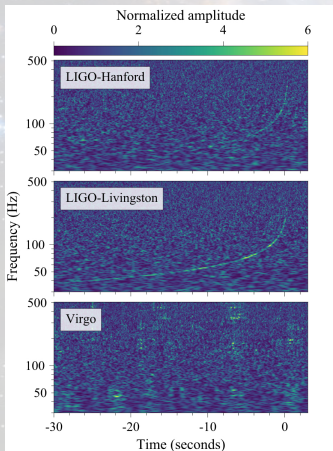


Abbott et al. 2016, ApJL, 826, L13

Abbott et al. 2019, ApJ, 875, 161

# GW170817

On August 17, 2017 at 12:41:04 UTC Advanced LIGO and Advanced Virgo made their **first observation of a binary neutron star (BNS) inspiral!**



- GW170817 swept through the detectors' sensitive band for  $\sim 100$  s ( $f_{\text{start}} = 24$  Hz)
- The SNR is 18.8, 26.4 and 2.0 in the LIGO-Hanford, LIGO-Livingston and Virgo data respectively;

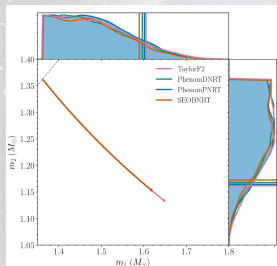
**the combined SNR is 32.4**

⇒ This is the loudest signal among the ones observed in O1 and O2!

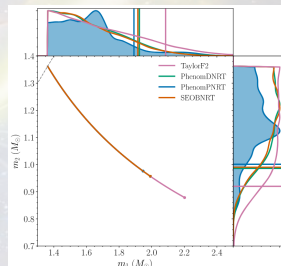
Abbott et al., PRL, 119, 161101 (2017)

# BNS detection: component masses

low-spin ( $|\chi| \leq 0.05$ )



high-spin ( $|\chi| \leq 0.89$ )



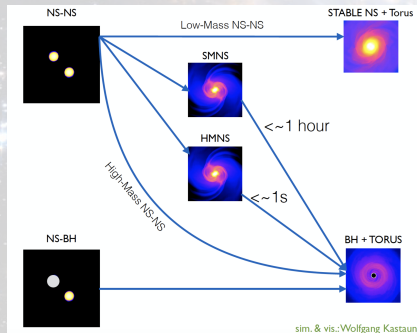
	low-spin	high-spin
$m_1$	1.36 - 1.60 $M_\odot$	1.36 - 1.89 $M_\odot$
$m_2$	1.16 - 1.36 $M_\odot$	1.00 - 1.36 $M_\odot$

Estimated masses ( $m_1$  and  $m_2$ ) are consistent with the masses of all known neutron stars

Abbott et al., PRX, 9, 011001 (2019)

## BNS detection: the compact remnant

The outcome of a BNS coalescence depends primarily on the masses of the inspiraling objects and on the equation of state of nuclear matter.



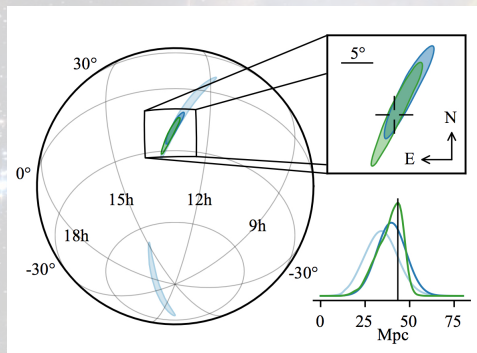
- Stable NS  
(continuous-wave GW signal)
- Supramassive NS (SMNS)  
collapsing to a BH in  $10 - 10^4$  s  
(long-transient GW signal)
- Hypermassive NS (HMNS)  
collapsing to a BH in  $< 1$  s  
(burst-like GW signal)
- BH prompt formation  
(high frequency quasi normal mode  
ringdown GW signal)

Searches for short ( $< 1$  s) and medium ( $< 500$  s) duration transients have not found any post-merger signals (Abbott et al. 2017, ApJL, 851, 16).

Searches for long-duration signals have not found any significant signal candidate (Abbott et al. 2019, ApJ, 875, 160)



## Where did the BNS merger occur?



### Sky localization:

- rapid loc., HL: 190 deg<sup>2</sup>
- rapid loc., HLV: 31 deg<sup>2</sup>
- final loc.\*, HLV: 28 deg<sup>2</sup>

### Luminosity distance:

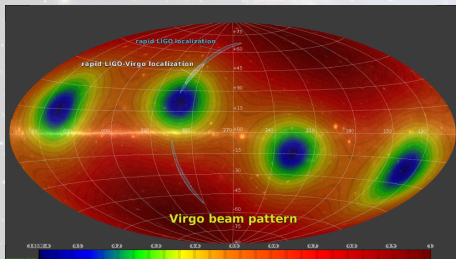
$$40_{-14}^{+8} \text{ Mpc}$$

This is the closest and most precisely localized gravitational-wave signal!

Abbott et al., PRL, 119, 161101 (2017)

\* More refined analysis allowed to reduce the sky localization to 16 deg<sup>2</sup>  
(Abbott et al. 2019, PRX, 9, 031040; PRX, 9, 011001)

## The role of Virgo in the sky localization of GW170817



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G. Greco, N. Arnaud, M. Branchesi, A. Vicere

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## Which were the expected EM counterparts?

- **Short GRBs:**
  - Prompt  $\gamma$ -ray emission ( $< 2$  s).
  - Multiwavelength *afterglow* emission: **X-ray**, **optical** and **radio** (minutes, hours, days, months).
- **Kilonova:** **optical** and **NIR** (days-weeks).
- **Late blast wave emission:** **radio** ( $\sim$  months, years).

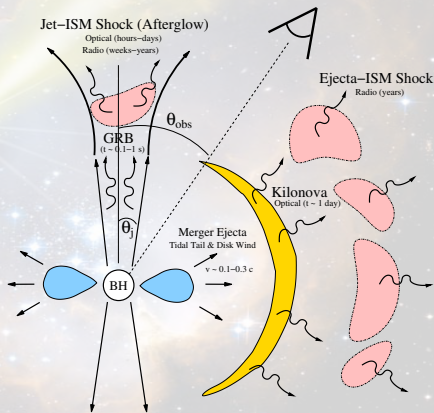


Image credit:  
Metzger & Berger, ApJ, 746, 48 (2012)

## Gamma-rays: short GRB

A GRB (GRB170817A) was independently detected by Fermi-GBM and INTEGRAL

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Credit: NASA/Caltech/MIT/LIGO Lab

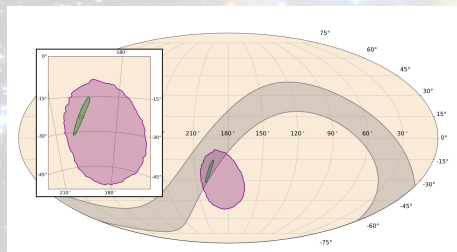
Abbott et al., ApJ, 848, 13 (2017)

Goldstein et al., ApJL, 848, 14 (2017)

Savchenko et al., ApJL, 848, 15 (2017)

## GW170817 and GRB 170817A association

- Temporal coincidence: the start of the gamma-ray emission relative to the merger time is  $\sim 1.7$  s
- Spatial coincidence:



90 % Fermi-GBM sky  
localization (1100 deg<sup>2</sup>)

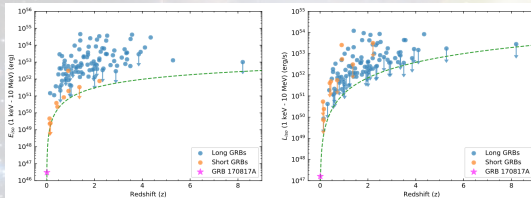
90 % sky localization from  
Fermi and INTEGRAL timing

LIGO-Virgo 90 % credible  
region (28 deg<sup>2</sup>)

The probability that GRB 170817A and GW170817 occurred this close in time and with this level of location agreement by chance is  $5.0 \times 10^{-8}$ :  
a  $5.3 \sigma$  Gaussian-equivalent significance

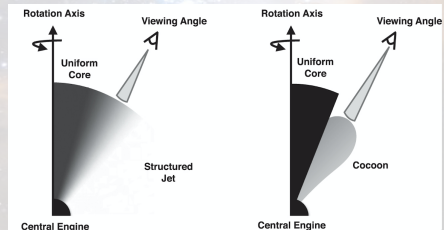
⇒ First direct evidence that BNS mergers are progenitors of (at least some) short GRBs!

## GRB 170817A: properties



GRB 170817A between 2 and 6 orders of magnitude less energetic than other observed bursts with measured redshift!

- Intrinsically sub-luminous GRB?
- structured jet?
- cocoon emission?



Abbott et al., ApJ, 848, 13 (2017)

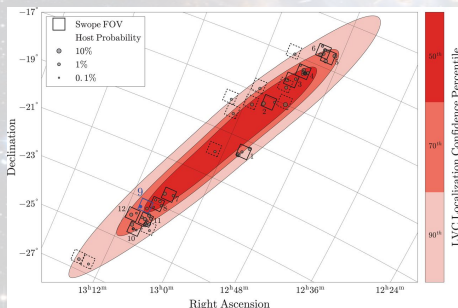
## The EM follow-up campaign

A wide-ranging EM follow-up campaign started in the hours immediately after the observation of GW170817 and GRB170817A

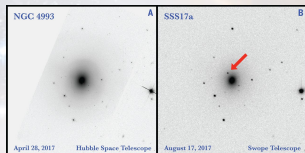
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## The identification of the optical counterpart

The key strategy: galaxy targeted search



- An optical counterpart has been discovered on August 18, 2017
- Transient is located at  $\sim 10''$  from the center of the galaxy NGC 4993, at a distance of 40 Mpc

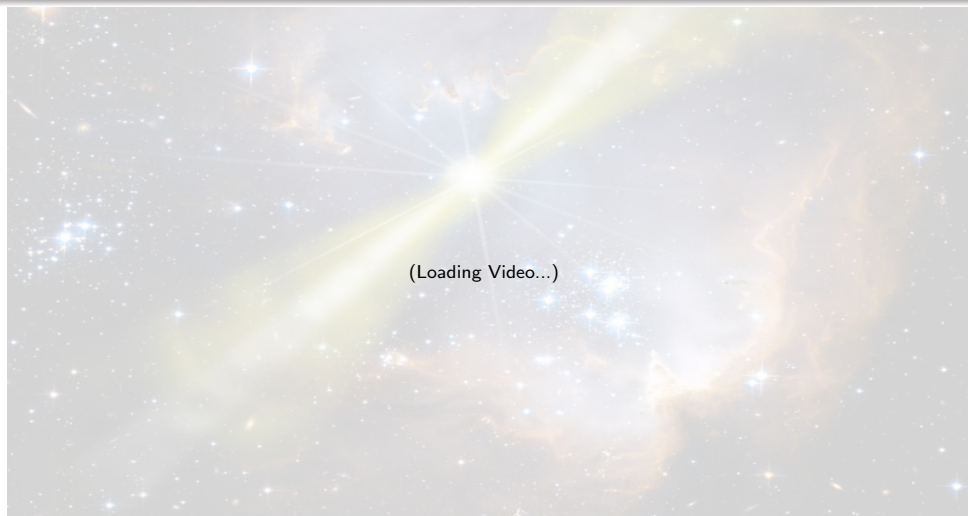


Coulter et al. 2017, Science, 358, 1556

The discovery has been confirmed by other teams (Abbott et al 2017, ApJ Letters, 848, 12)



## The spectroscopic identification of the kilonova

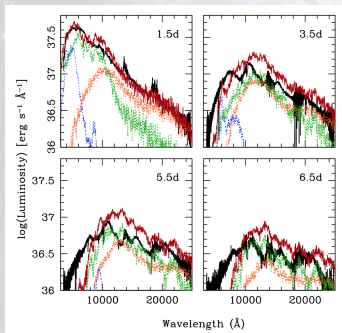


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Credit: ESO/E. Pian et al./S. Smartt & ePESSTO

## The spectroscopic identification of the kilonova

- The evolution of the observed spectrum with time is in a good match with the expectations for kilonovae (Pian et al., Nature, 2017)



- observational data
- 3-component model
  - wind region with lanthanide-free composition
  - lanthanide-rich dynamical ejecta region
  - wind region with mixed composition

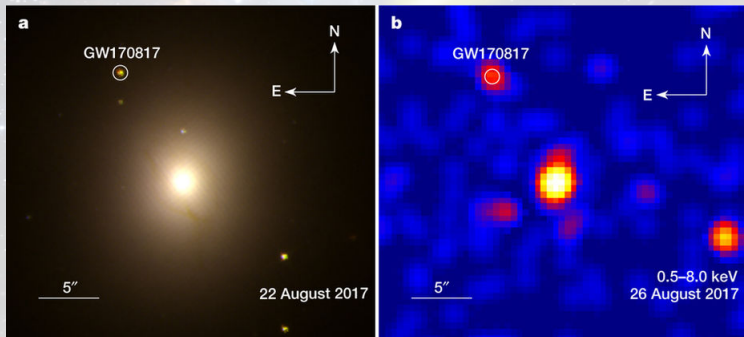
The comparison with spectral models suggests that the merger ejected 0.03-0.05  $M_{\odot}$  of material, including high-opacity lanthanides.

- A recent re-analysis of the spectra led to the identification of the strontium (Watson et al., Nature, 2019)

**First direct proof that neutron star mergers are heavy elements factory  
(r-process nucleosynthesis)**

## X-ray and radio observations

9 days and 16 days after the GW trigger, an X-ray and a radio counterparts have been discovered (Troja et al. 2017, Hallinan et al. 2017)



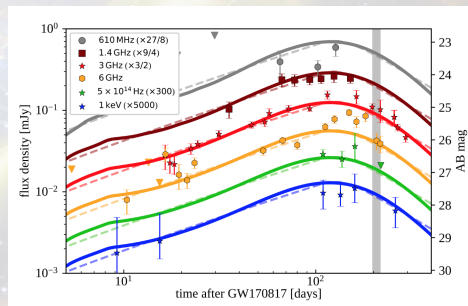
Source monitored for hundreds of days...

## X-ray and radio observations

Two possible interpretations:

- cocoon emission
- afterglow emission from a structured jet

Both models are consistent with the multiwavelength light curve...  $\Rightarrow$

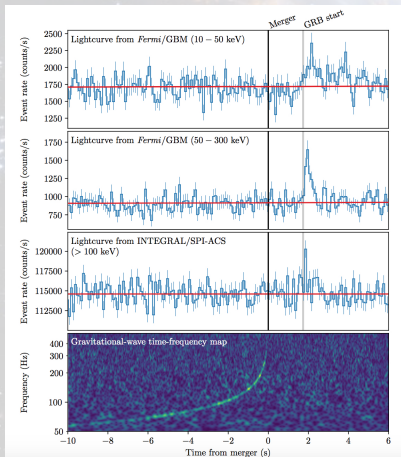


Ghirlanda et al. 2019

... But recent Very Long Baseline Interferometry observations allowed to constrain the size and the proper motion of the radio source  $\Rightarrow$  **the source is consistent with a jet!**  
(Ghirlanda et al. 2019, Mooley et al. 2018)

## GW-GRB association: Speed of gravity vs speed of light

The observed time delay between GRB170817A and GW170817 can be used to put constraints on the difference between the speed of gravity and the speed of light



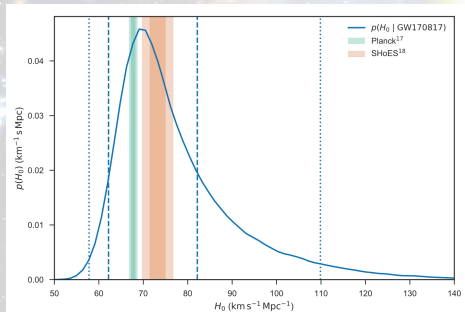
- $\Delta\nu = \nu_{\text{GW}} - \nu_{\text{EM}}$
- $\frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu_{\text{EM}}} \sim \frac{\nu_{\text{EM}} \Delta t}{D}$
- lower bound on distance: 26 Mpc
- observed time delay ( $\sim 1.7$  s)
- Two cases:
  - The GRB and GW signals emitted simultaneously
  - The GRB signal was emitted 10 s after the GW signal

$$-3 \times 10^{-15} \leq \frac{\Delta\nu}{\nu_{\text{EM}}} \leq 7 \times 10^{-16}$$

## GW-NGC4993 association: implications for Cosmology

### GW170817 as a standard siren:

the association with the host galaxy NGC 4993 and the luminosity distance directly measured from the GW signal have been used to determine the **Hubble constant**



- $H_0 = 70.0^{+12.0}_{-8.0} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1} *$
- $H_0 = 67.74 \pm 0.46 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$
- $H_0 = 73.24 \pm 1.74 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$

Abbott et al., Nature, 551, 85 (2017)

\* More recent estimates, obtained assuming a priori that the GW source is in NGC 4993, are:

- $H_0 = 70^{+13}_{-7} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$  (high-spin case)
- $H_0 = 70^{+19}_{-8} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$  (low-spin case)

## GW170817 and its EM counterparts: summary

- First identification of the host galaxy of a GW event
- First direct evidence of the association of short GRBs with BNS mergers
- First detection of the off-axis GRB afterglow
- First detailed study of GRB jet structure
- First clear identification of a kilonova
- First BNS merger/kilonova association
- First evidence that the heaviest elements in the Universe can form in BNS mergers
- Constraints on fundamental physics
- A new, independent method to estimate  $H_0$

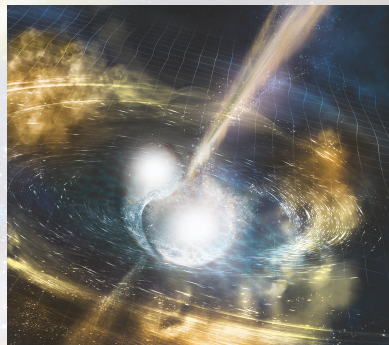
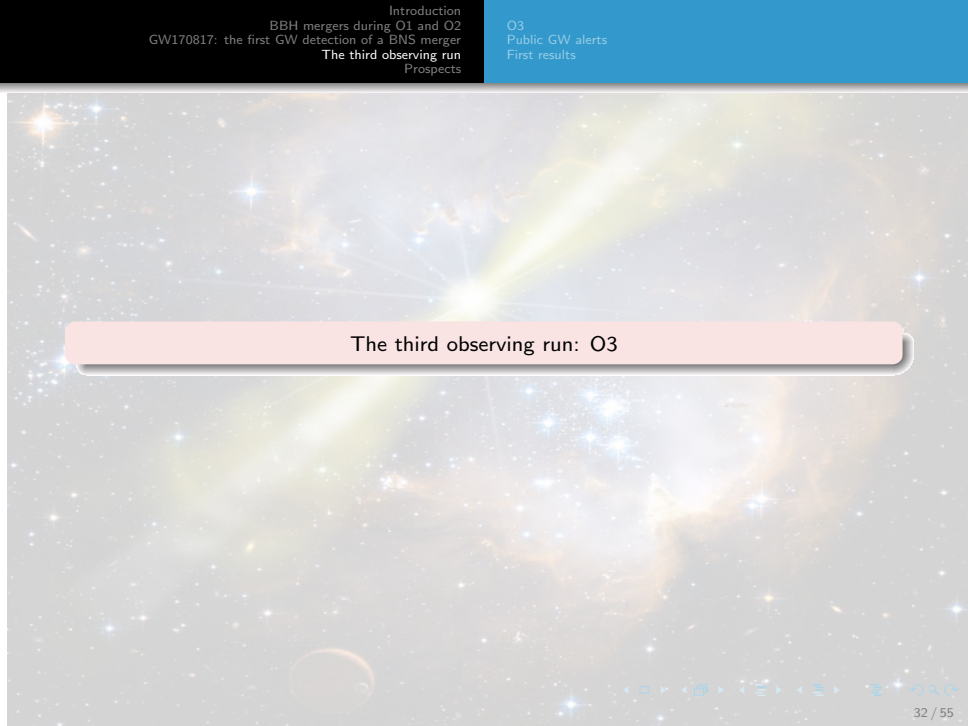


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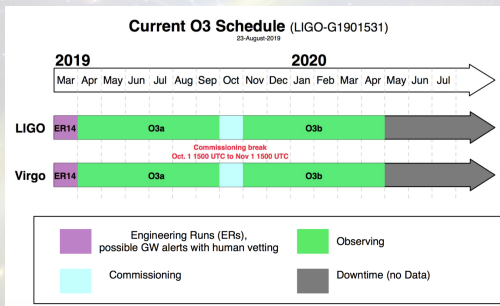


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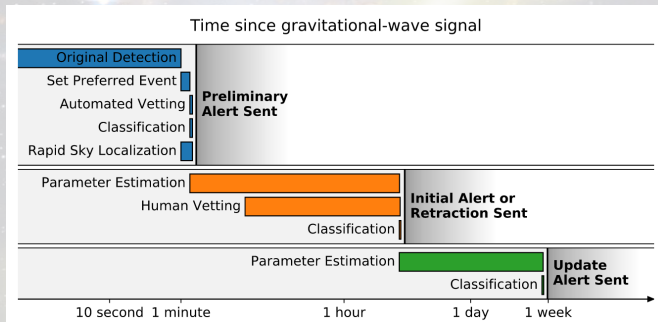
- O3a: April 1st, 2019 - October 1st, 2019
- ~1 month commissioning break: 1/Oct/2019 - 31/Oct/2019
- O3b started on November 1st, 2019; it is expected to continue until at least the end of April 2020



- An extension of O3b will be possible, but limited so that the run will end no later than June 30, 2020 (Abbott et al. 2019, arXiv:1304.0670)
- KAGRA is planning to join later this year, no firm date yet

## Public GW alerts

GW alerts in O3 are public!



A few modifications are planned for O3b:

- Two preliminary alerts
- Automated alerts for coincident GW candidates associated with a GRB or a SN

Public alerts user guide: <https://emfollow.docs.ligo.org/userguide>

## The public GW alerts: threshold and content

### False Alarm Rate threshold to release automatic alerts

- CBC events:  $1/(2 \text{ months})$
- Unmodeled burst events:  $1/\text{yr}$

### Content of public alerts:

- Estimate of the False Alarm Rate (FAR) of the event candidate
- Event time and sky localization (2D skymaps)
- For Burst candidates: central frequency (Hz), duration (s) and GW fluence ( $\text{erg}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- For CBC candidates:
  - \* 3D skymaps with direction-dependent luminosity distance (Singer et al. 2016)
  - \* Luminosity Distance marginalized over the whole sky
  - \* Source **Classification** and **Properties**

# The content of public GW alerts - CBC

## Classification

**p<sub>astro</sub>** probability that the source is astrophysical;  
it comes from evaluating whether the source belongs to one of five categories:  
BNS, mass gap, NS-BH, BBH,  
Terrestrial (i.e., noise)

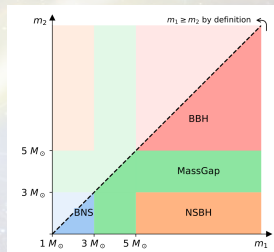


Image credit: Public alerts user guide

## Properties

Under the assumption that the source is not noise:

**Source classifier:** probability that at least one of the compact objects is a NS ( $m < 3 M_{\odot}$ )

**Remnant classifier:** probability that the system ejected a non-zero amount of NS matter (Foucart 2012, 2018, Pannarale & Ohme, 2014)

## O3a: detector performance

### Network duty cycle



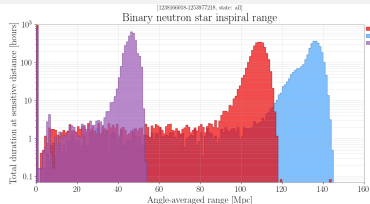
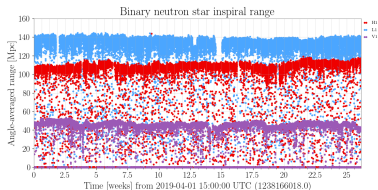
Network duty factor

[123096018-125077218]

- Triple interferometer [44.5%]
- Double interferometer [37.4%]
- Single interferometer [15.0%]
- No interferometer [3.2%]

- H, L, V online together: 44.5 % of time
- 2 or 3 detectors online together: 81.9 % of time

### BNS range



# O3a candidate GW alerts

Public alerts can be found here:

<https://gracedb.ligo.org/latest/>

<https://gracedb.ligo.org/superevents/public/O3/>

## Latest — as of 1 October 2019 07:46:47 UTC

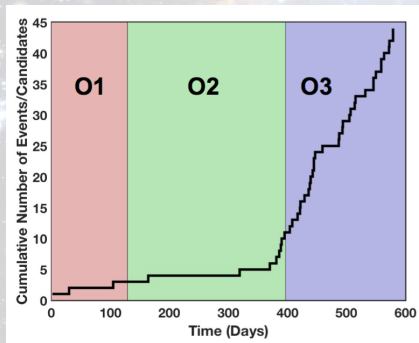
Ter and MDC events and supernovae are not included in the search results by default; see the [query help](#) for information on how to search for events and supernovae in these categories.

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## O3a candidate GW alerts



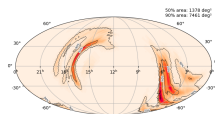
- 41 Alerts, 8 retractions
- Almost all of the GW candidates consistent with BBH mergers
- 3 GW candidates with the highest probability assigned to the **BNS** category
- 4 GW candidates with the highest probability assigned to the **NS-BH** category

## Events with highest probability assigned to BNS

### S190425z

Detectors: L, V  
FAR:  $< 1/100$  yr  
Distance:  $156 \pm 41$  Mpc  
90 % c.r.: 7461 deg<sup>2</sup>  
GCN: 24168, 24228  
No EM counterpart

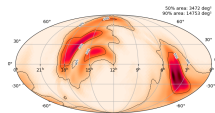
BNS	>99%
Terrestrial	<1%
NSBH	0%
MassGap	0%
BBH	0%



### S190901ap

Detectors: L, V  
FAR: 1 per 4.5 years  
Distance:  $241 \pm 79$  Mpc  
90 % c.r.: 14753 deg<sup>2</sup>  
GCN: 25606, 25614  
No EM counterpart

BNS	86%
Terrestrial	14%
NSBH	0%
MassGap	0%
BBH	0%





# Events with highest probability assigned to BNS

## S190910h

Detectors: L

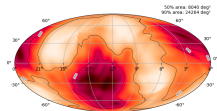
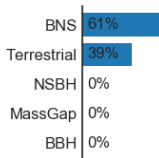
FAR: 1.1 per year

Distance:  $230 \pm 88$  Mpc

90 % c.r.:  $24264 \text{ deg}^2$

GCN: 25707, 25778

No EM counterpart

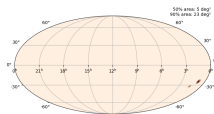


## Events with highest probability assigned to NS-BH

### S190814bv

Detectors: H, L, V  
FAR:  $< 1/100$  yr  
Distance:  $276 \pm 56$  Mpc  
90 % c.r.:  $23 \text{ deg}^2$   
GCN: 25324, 25333  
No EM counterpart

NSBH	>99%
MassGap	<1%
Terrestrial	0%
BNS	0%
BBH	0%



### S190910d

Detectors: H, L  
FAR: 1 per 8.5 years  
Distance:  $632 \pm 186$  Mpc  
90 % c.r.:  $2482 \text{ deg}^2$   
GCN: 25695, 25723  
No EM counterpart

### S190923y

Detectors: H, L  
FAR: 1.5 per year  
Distance:  $438 \pm 133$  Mpc  
90 % c.r.:  $2107 \text{ deg}^2$   
GCN: 25814  
No EM counterpart

### S190930t

Detectors: L  
FAR: 1 per 2.05 years  
Distance:  $108 \pm 38$  Mpc  
90 % c.r.:  $24220 \text{ deg}^2$   
GCN: 25876  
No EM counterpart

## From November 1st: O3b

### Network duty cycle



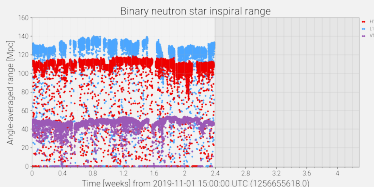
Network duty factor

(1256655618 / 1256655618)

- Triple interferometer [44.5%]
- Double interferometer [36.7%]
- Single interferometer [15.3%]
- No interferometer [3.5%]


- H, L, V online together: 44.5 % of time
- 2 or 3 detectors online together: 81.2 % of time

### BNS range



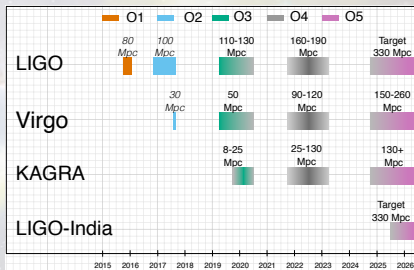
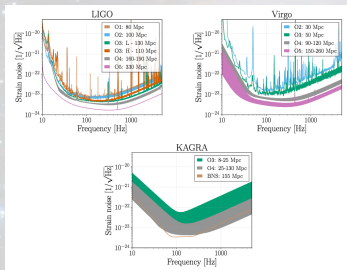
### GW alerts

- 5 GW alerts, **3 retractions**
- The 2 GW candidates are consistent with BBH mergers
- No EM counterpart so far



Prospects

# Prospects

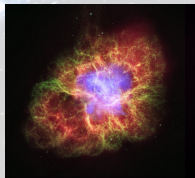


Observation Run	Network	Expected BNS Detections	Expected NSBH Detections	Expected BBH Detections
O3	HLV	$2^{+8}_{-2}$	$0^{+19}_{-0}$	$15^{+19}_{-10}$
O4	HLVK	$8^{+42}_{-7}$	$2^{+94}_{-2}$	$68^{+81}_{-38}$
		Area (deg <sup>2</sup> ) 90% c.r.	Area (deg <sup>2</sup> ) 90% c.r.	Area (deg <sup>2</sup> ) 90% c.r.
O3	HLV	250 – 310	310 – 390	250 – 340
O4	HLVK	29 – 48	48 – 69	33 – 47

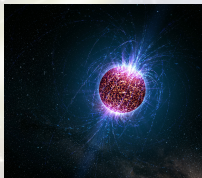
## Prospects

There are many other sources still to be detected...

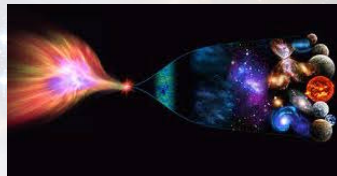
Core collapse of  
massive stars



Isolated  
Neutron Stars



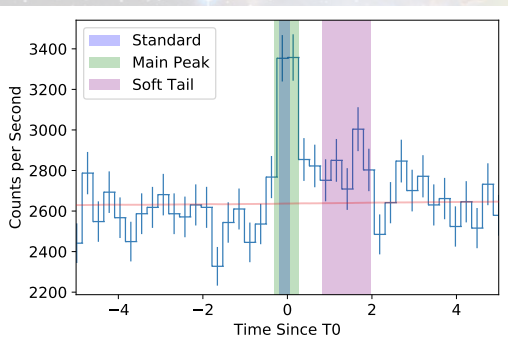
Astrophysical and  
cosmological background



Stay tuned!

Backup slides

## GRB 170817A: some details



256 ms binned light curve in the 10-300 keV band  
for NaI 1, 2 and 5

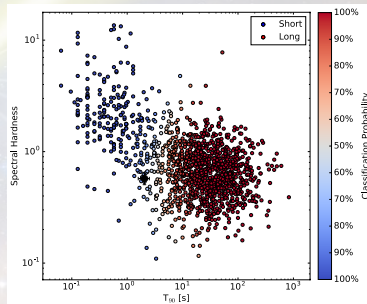
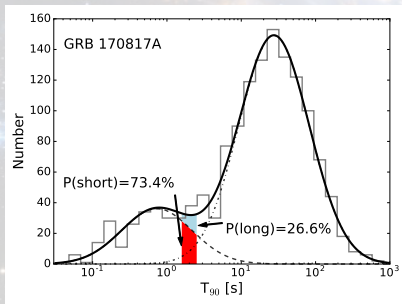
- **Main pulse:**
  - $\sim 0.5$  s
  - Comptonized spectrum,  
 $E_{\text{peak}} = 185 \pm 62$  keV,  
 $\text{Index} = -0.62 \pm 0.40$
- **Soft tail:**
  - $\sim 1.1$  s
  - Blackbody spectrum,  
 $T = 10.3 \pm 1.5$  keV

Goldstein et al., ApJL, 848, 14 (2017)



## GRB 170817A: duration and spectral hardness

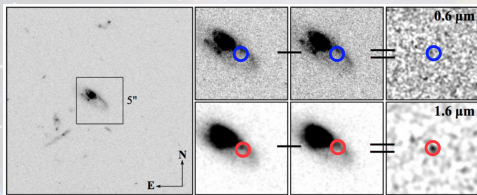
To which GRB class does GRB 170817A belong?



GRB 170817A is  $\sim 3$  times more likely to be a **short GRB** than a long GRB

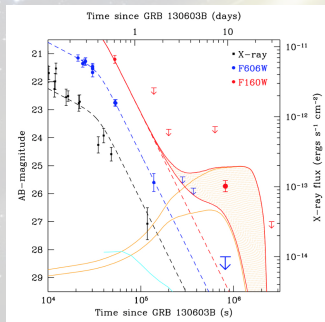
Goldstein et al., ApJL, 848, 14 (2017)

## A kilonova detection for GRB 130603B?



F606W/optical

NIR/F160W



- blue curve: optical afterglow
- orange curves: kilonova NIR model

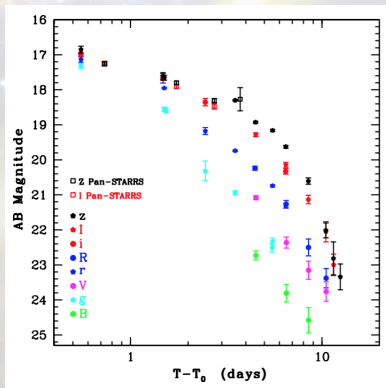
ejected masses:  
 $10^{-2} M_{\odot}$  and  $10^{-1} M_{\odot}$

- cyan curve: kilonova optical model
- solid red curves: afterglow+kilonova

Tanvir et al, Nature, 500, 547 (2013)

## The optical and near infrared light curve

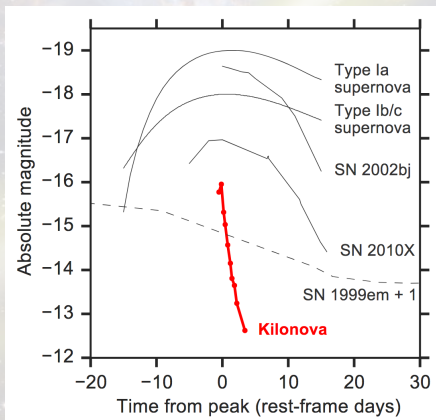
The optical transient was later observed with different instruments  
(REM, ESO-VST, ESO-VLT...)



Pian et al., 2017, Nature, 551, 67

## Kilonova vs supernova: the light curve

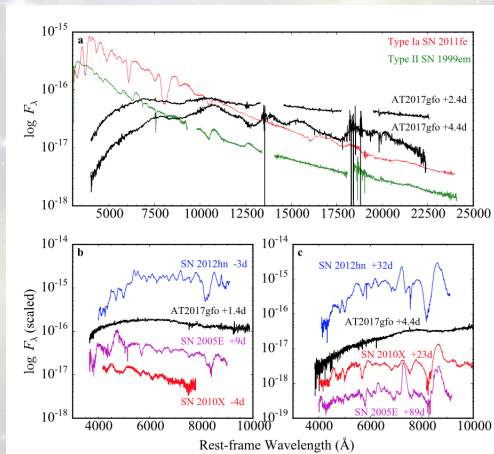
The optical transient evolves much faster than any supernova



Arcavi et al., 2017, Nature, 551, 64

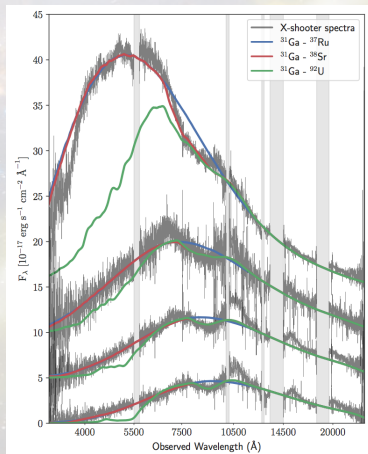
## Kilonova vs supernova: the spectrum

The spectral evolution is inconsistent with any supernova type



Smartt et al., 2017, Nature, 551, 75

## The identification of the strontium in the kilonova spectrum



Watson et al. 2019, Nature, 574, 497

## A new joint GW-EM detection?

TITLE: GCN CIRCULAR  
NUMBER: 25406  
SUBJECT: Fermi GBM-190816: A subthreshold GRB candidate potentially associated with a subthreshold LIGO/Virgo compact binary merger candidate  
DATE: 19/08/20 05:23:25 GMT  
FROM: Adam Goldstein at Fermi-GBM, USRA <[adam.michael.goldstein@gmail.com](mailto:adam.michael.goldstein@gmail.com)>

The LIGO Scientific Collaboration, the Virgo Collaboration and the Fermi GBM team report:

In routine Fermi GBM follow-up analysis of subthreshold GW triggers from LIGO/Virgo, a potential short gamma-ray burst counterpart GBM-190816 was identified.

- candidate gamma-ray signal found 1.5 s after the GW trigger time;
- duration and spectral properties of gamma-ray signal are consistent with a short GRB;
- from preliminary GW analysis: if the signal is astrophysical, the lighter compact object may have  $m < 3 M_{\odot}$

**Further analysis is ongoing**