



Transient localization web service based on open gravitational-wave data for the multi-messenger community

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How to ease the skymap visualisation process?

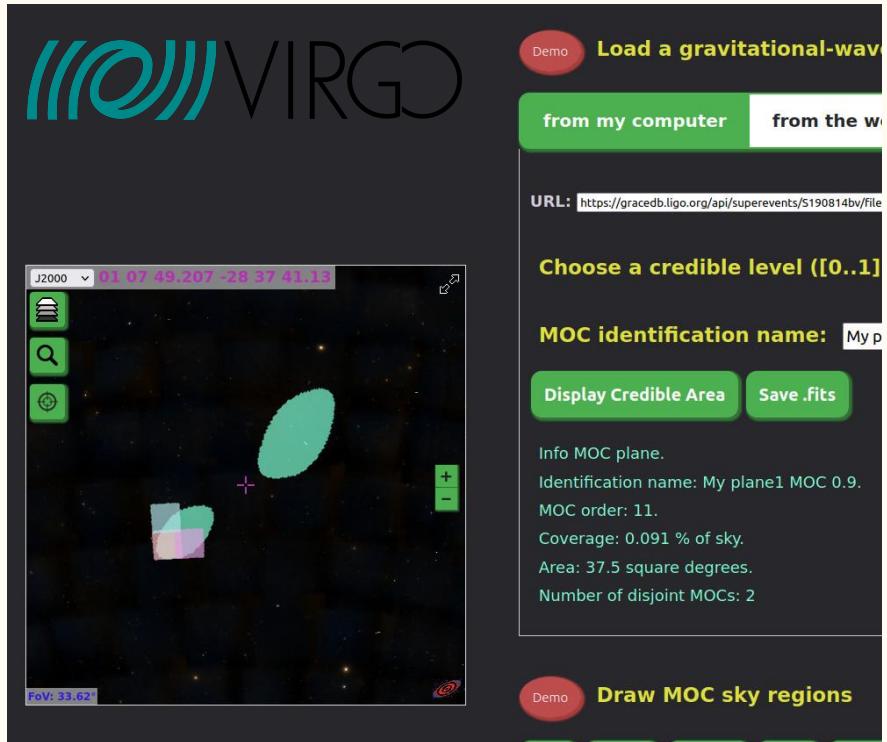
Provide just the part of the skymap useful for the observer.

Allow the user to customize the view:

- credibility level
- intersection with the field of view (FOV)

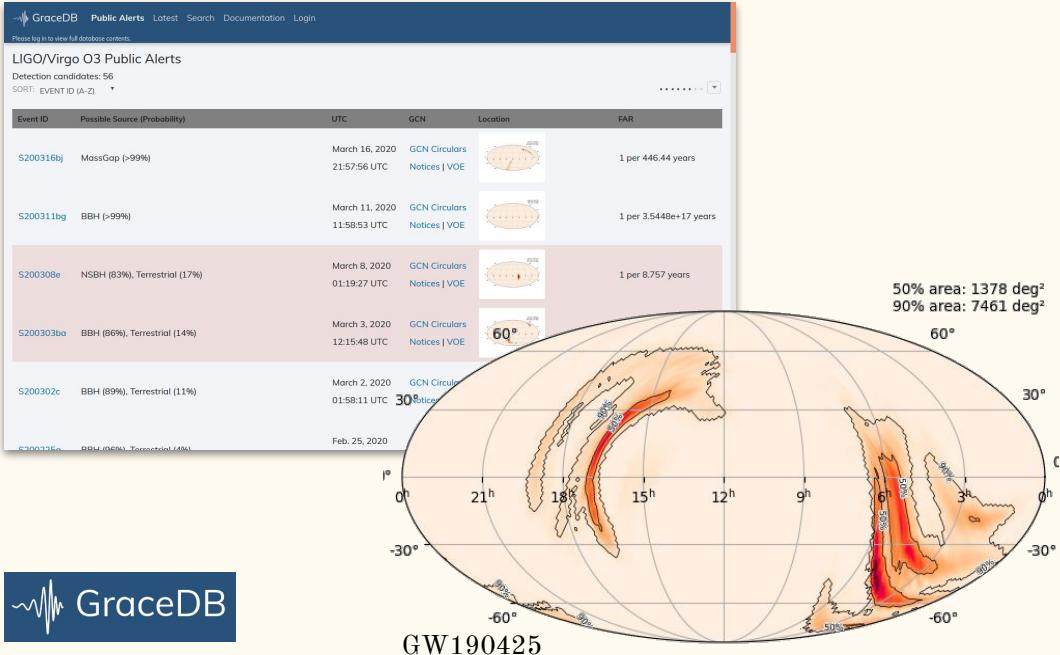
It is now available through a web service.

<https://virgo.pg.infn.it/maps/>



Open gravitational-wave data

- from Gravitational Wave Open Science Center (GWOSC)
- maps download via GraceDB public portal



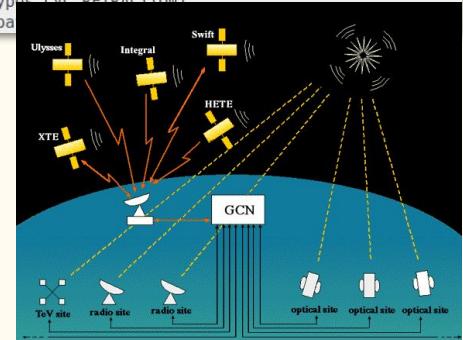
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import gcn
import healpy as hp

# Function to call every time a GCN is received.
# Run only for notices of type
# LVC_PRELIMINARY, LVC_INITIAL, LVC_UPDATE, or LVC_RETRACTION.
@gcn.handlers.include_notice_types(
    gcn.notice_types.LVC_PRELIMINARY,
    gcn.notice_types.LVC_INITIAL,
    gcn.notice_types.LVC_UPDATE,
    gcn.notice_types.LVC_RETRACTION)
def process_gcn(pa)
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GCN alerts



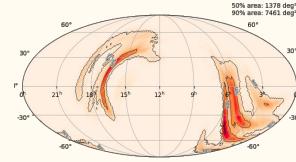
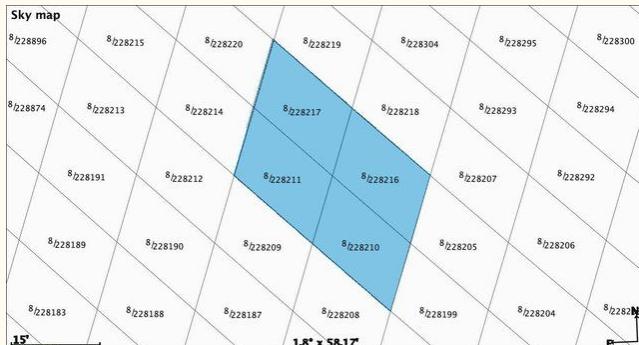
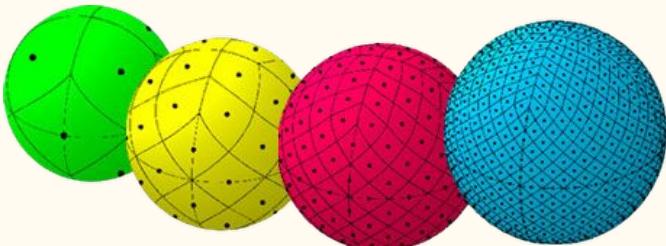
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Multi-Order Coverage (MOC)

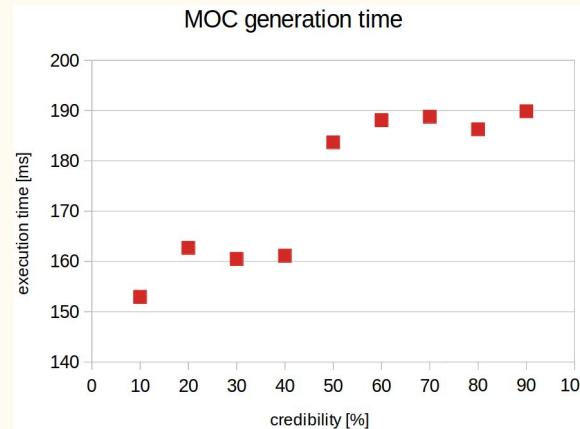
extremely efficient data format for coverage area visualization

HEALPix



MOC operation computing time:

- intersection 1,6 ms
- area integration 2,7 ms



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<https://www.ivoa.net/documents/MOC/20210324/WD-moc-2.0-20210324.pdf>

International Virtual Observatory Alliance



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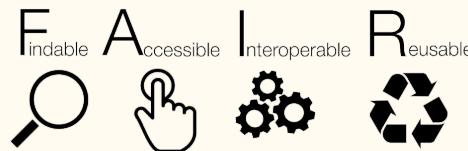
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Aladin lite – interactive sky atlas allowing the user to visualize digitized astronomical images.

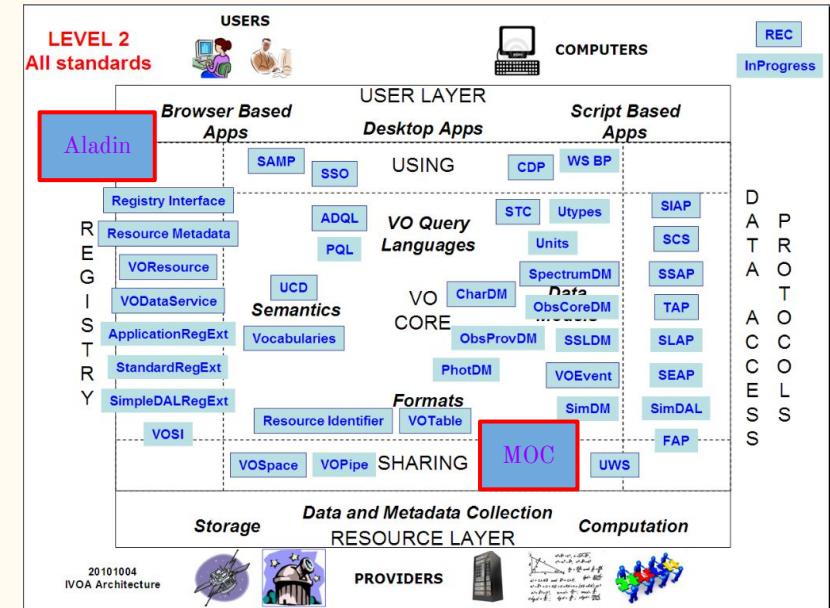
<https://aladin.cds.unistra.fr/aladin.gml#information>



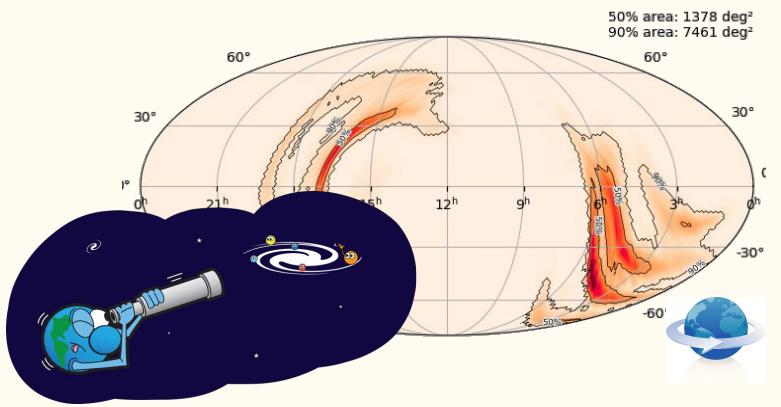
IVOA principles:



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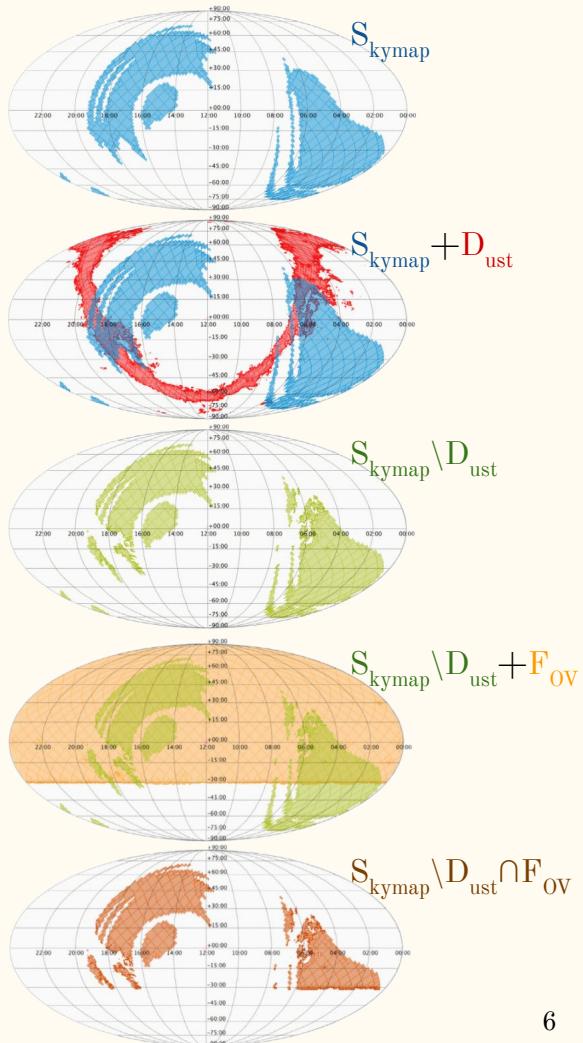
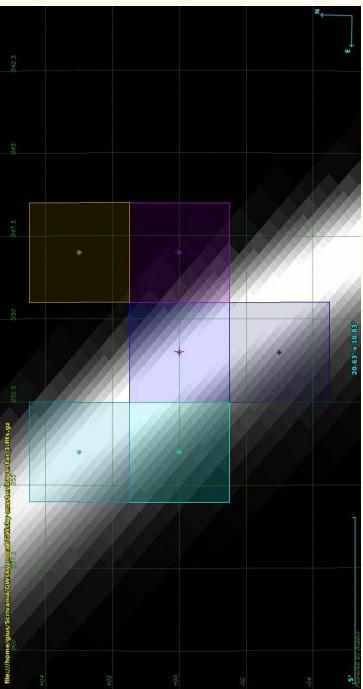


EM follow-up strategy

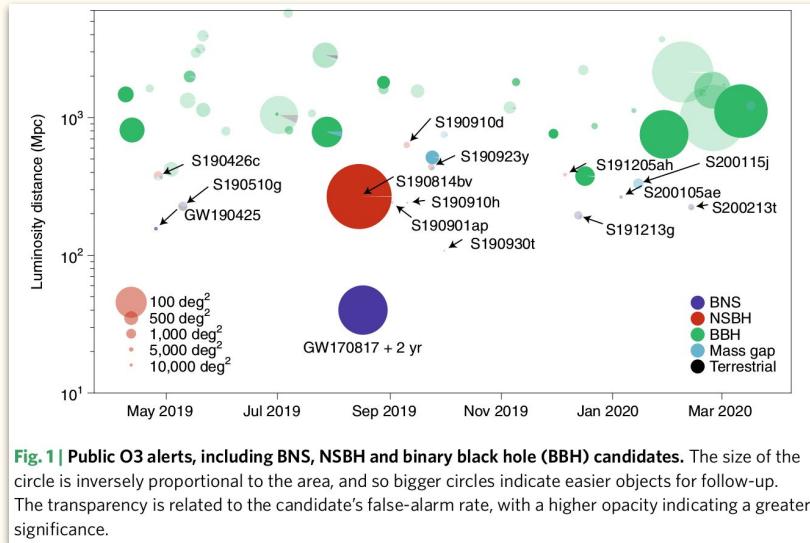


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Multi-messenger community



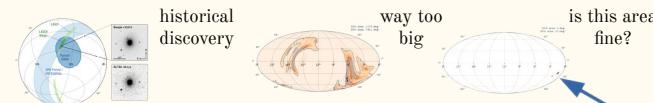
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We want better localization precision

It must be done by improving the detectors but it is not only about the localization precision [deg²]

Let us consider four cases:

GW170817 ~30 Mpc 30 deg ²	GW190425 ~160 Mpc 10 000 deg ²	S190814 ~276 Mpc 23 deg ²	ET prediction ⁽²⁾ <200 Mpc 100 deg ²
283 Mpc ³	1·10 ⁷ Mpc ³	6·10 ⁴ Mpc ³	8·10 ⁴ Mpc ³



* all skymap coverages are at the credibility level of 90%

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Web interface <https://virgo.pg.infn.it/maps/>

- input form in HTML/javascript
- download FITS file
- calculation engine MOC-wasm
- visualisation in Aladin lite plugin

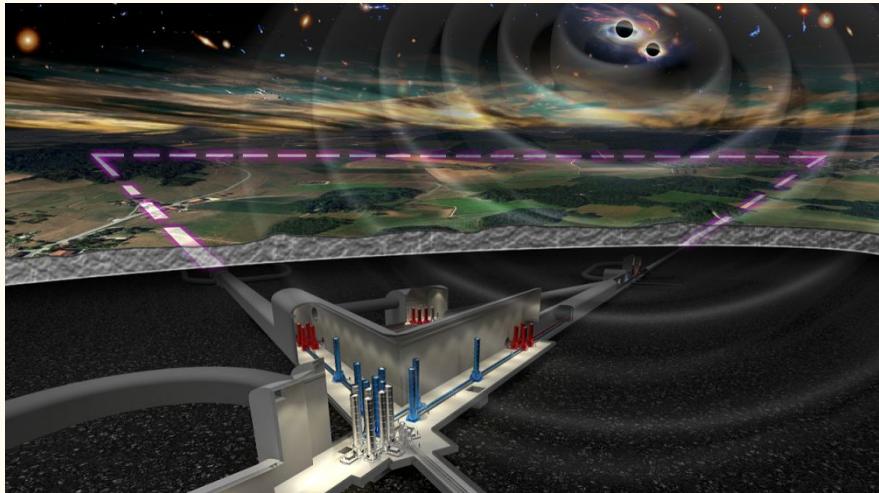
For tiling support & outreach



The screenshot shows a web application titled "Gravitational-Wave Sky Localizations: Online Calculator and Interactive Viewer of Credible Areas". The background is a star-filled space image. The interface includes a map view on the left showing a cyan elliptical credible area and a pink diamond-shaped survey area. On the right, there is a control panel with the following elements:

- A red "Demo" button and a green "Load a gravitational-wave sky localization:" button.
- Two buttons: "from my computer" and "from the web: GraceDB or GCN".
- An input field for "URL: https://gracedb.ligo.org/api/superevents/5200128d/files/bayestar.multorder.fits.0".
- A slider for "Choose a credible level ([0..1]):" set to 0.9.
- An input field for "MOC identification name: My plane".
- Buttons at the bottom: "Display Credible Area" and "Save .fits".

Technological advantages & future challenges

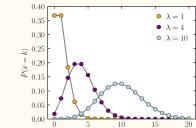


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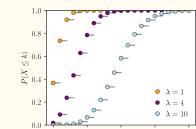
ET detection frequency forecast:

- average alert rate ~ 1.8 event/min
- alerts number should rarely exceed 6 events/min
- given the very early alerts, we can assume $\gg 10$ updates per event
- users: there are ~ 50 active groups performing multi-messenger counterpart search
- how many updates per event we can expect?

We should expect up to: 32 updates/min
(assuming 10 updates per event)

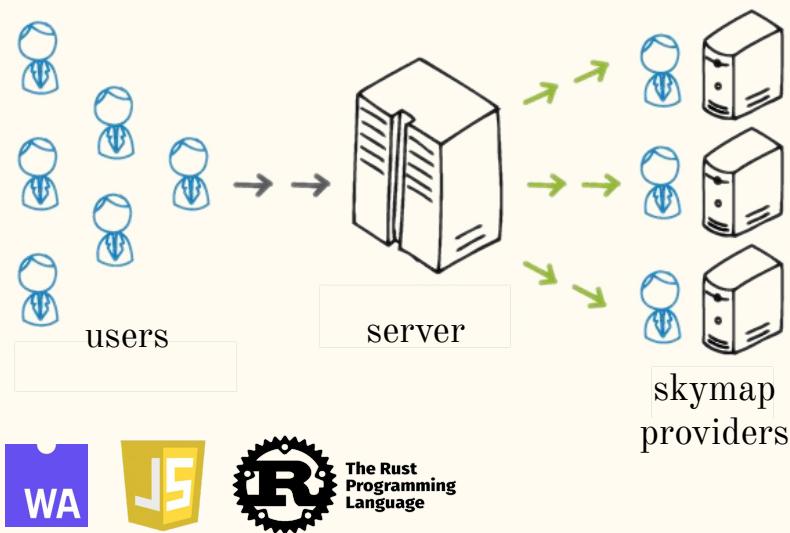


We should expect up to: 250 updates/min
(assuming 100 updates per event)



Technological advantages & future challenges

HTML + JavaScript
+ WebAssembly



Computation throughput

Single core server performance:

- HEALPix to MOC conversion: 5,7 operations/s
- MOC intersection: 625 operations/s
- MOC area calculation: 370 operations/s

web server is not a bottleneck

Support

AHEAD2020 – (Integrated Activities in the High Energy Astrophysics Domain) is an ongoing project approved in the framework of the European Horizon 2020 program (Research Infrastructures for High Energy Astrophysics)

ESCAPE – addresses the critical questions of open science and long term reuse of data for science and for innovation, many European scientific facilities have combined forces to make their data and software interoperable and open

MOSAICO – contributes to theoretical studies and development on the topic of multi-messenger astronomy in the view of the next generation detectors



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