



Bayesian inference on dark matter admixed neutron stars with gravitational-wave data

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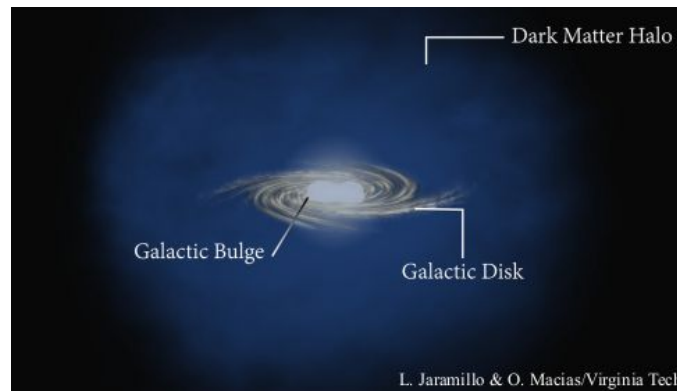
Introduction | potential presence of dark matter in neutron stars

Evidences for dark matter (DM)

- rotational curves of galaxies
- structure formation

Scenarios arguing for presence of DM in neutron stars (NSs)

- Bramante et al. (2022) argued NSs might be embedded in a DM halo or could accrete DM clumps
- due to extreme gravity, NSs may accumulate a significant amount of DM over their lifetime [Bertone & Fairbairn (2008); de Lavallaz and M. Fairbairn (2010); D. Bose and S. Sarkar (2023)]
- BNS systems may have higher amount of DM as these are old systems that went through several stages of stellar evolution [Bell et al. (2020)]



Introduction | Dark matter and impact its on neutron stars

Consequence | DM modifies NS properties:

- Gravitational Mass
- Radius
- Tidal deformability

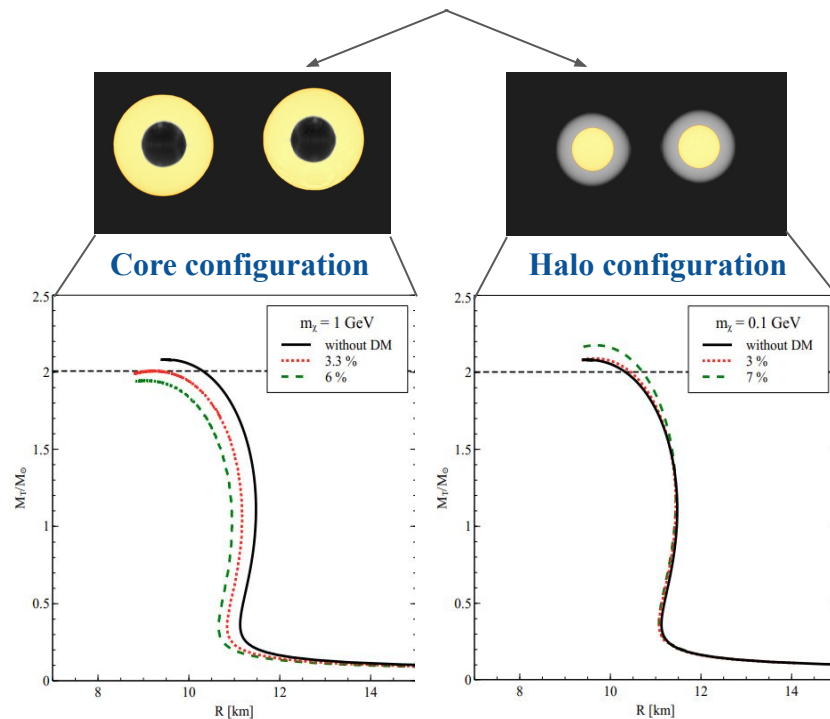
DM model | [Sagun, Giangrandi et al. 2021]

- DM is considered as fermionic gas
- neglect interaction of baryonic matter (BM) with DM
- BM and DM interact only gravitationally

→ 2 main parameters:

- DM fraction, f_χ
- DM particle mass, m_χ

DM model allows for **2 configurations**:



Introduction | How to study DM admixed BNS mergers?

Parameter estimation through **Bayes theorem**

$$p(\vec{\theta} | d, \mathcal{H}) \equiv \frac{\mathcal{L}(\vec{\theta}) \pi(\vec{\theta})}{\mathcal{Z}}$$

Posterior *Likelihood* *Prior*
Evidence

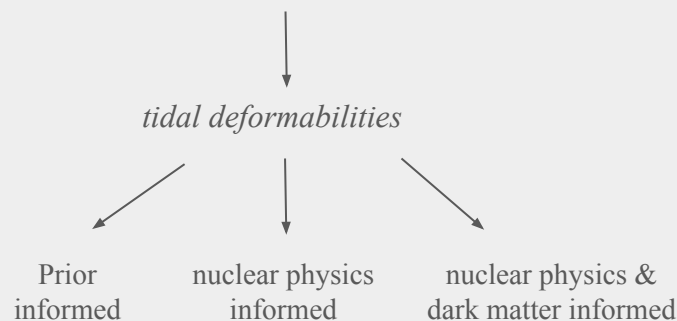
Gravitational-wave likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}_{GW} \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \langle d - h(\vec{\theta}) | d - h(\vec{\theta}) \rangle\right)$$

Data *Waveform*

Gravitational waveform

$$h(t; m_{1,2}, \Lambda_{1,2}, \vec{\theta})$$



Methods | How to study DM admixed BNS mergers?

→ we use 3 main ingredients

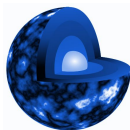
Step 1: use nuclear physics model to obtain baryonic Equation of State (EOS) set



- mass m ,
- radius R ,
- tidal deformability Λ



Step 2: model DM contribution to obtain DM EOS set



- mass m ,
- radius R ,
- DM informed tidal deformability Λ_{DM}



Step 3: implement conversion DM EOS $\rightarrow \Lambda_{\text{DM}}$ in existing Bayesian inference libraries



NMMA

- **NMMA: Multi-messenger framework**
[Pang, et al. (2023)]

Methods | constructing the baryonic EOS set

- construct baryonic EOS set using the metamodel of Margueron et al. (2018)
- EOS predicted by the metamodel is determined by the nuclear empirical parameters

→ obtained 5000 baryonic EOSs



TABLE I. The distributions from which the empirical parameters are drawn to generate the EOS candidates. The parameters E_{sat} and n_{sat} are fixed at -16 MeV and 0.16 fm^{-3} , respectively. We denote uniform distributions by \mathcal{U} .

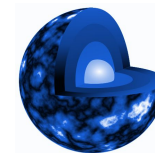
Parameter	Distribution
K_{sat} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(210, 260)$
Q_{sat} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(-1000, 1000)$
Z_{sat} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(-1000, 1000)$
E_{sym} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(28, 35)$
L_{sym} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(30, 100)$
K_{sym} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(-200, 200)$
Q_{sym} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(-1000, 1000)$
Z_{sym} [MeV]	$\mathcal{U}(-1000, 1000)$

Koehn et al. (2024)

[arxiv: 2408.14711]

Methods | obtaining the DM EOS set

- solving 2-fluid TOV and Love equations to obtain DM NS mass, radius and tidal deformability [Ivanytskyi, Sagun, Lopes (2020)]
 - NS configurations will now also depend on
 - > DM particle mass
 - > DM fraction
- calculate NS configuration for 5000 EOSs on a grid of 12 x 12 combinations for DM masses and fractions



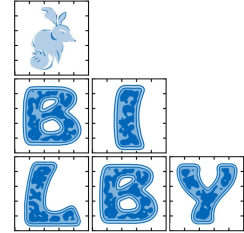
m_χ in MeV	f_χ in %
170	0.01
221	0.015
286	0.023
372	0.035
483	0.053
627	0.081
814	0.123
1056	0.187
1371	0.285
1780	0.433
2311	0.658
3000	1

×

Methods | Implementation in existing Bayesian inference libraries

i) **Bilby** [Ashton, et al. (2019)]

- > Inference of gravitational-wave (GW) signals
- > Add-on: Multi-banding [Morisaki, (2021)]



ii) **Multi-messenger framework (NMMA)** [Pang, et al. (2023)]

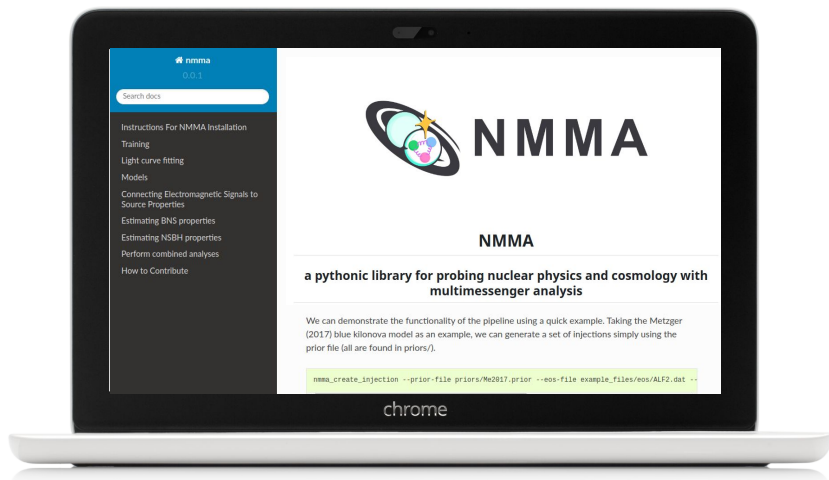
- > Inference of GW signals
- > Add-on: Multi-banding [Morisaki, (2021)]
- > Inference of electromagnetic (EM) signals
- > Joint inference (GW + EM)



Methods | NMMA |

Nuclear physics and multi-messenger astrophysics framework

Pang et al., 2023, Nature Communications., 14, 8352



GitHub: <https://github.com/nuclear-multimessenger-astronomy/nmma>

Bayesian inference

- observational data & injections
- gravitational-wave signals
- electromagnetic signals
- joint inference of GW+ EM signals

Including nuclear physics information

- neutron star equation of state (EOS)

Estimating binary source properties

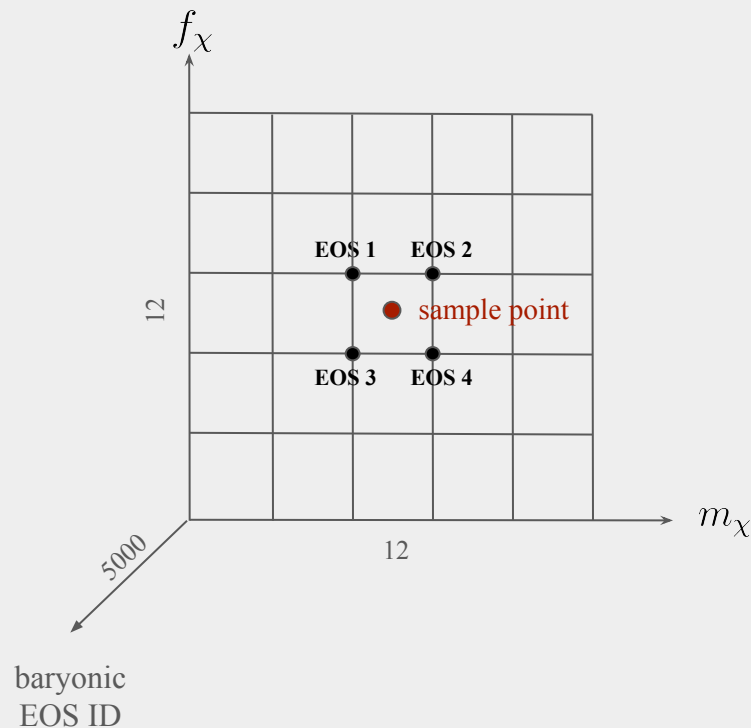
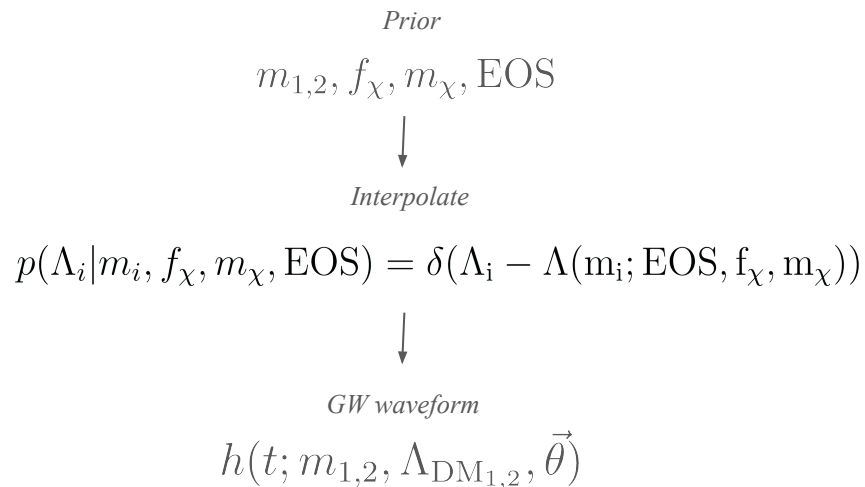
- Binary neutron star (BNS)
- Neutron star black hole (NSBH)

Other

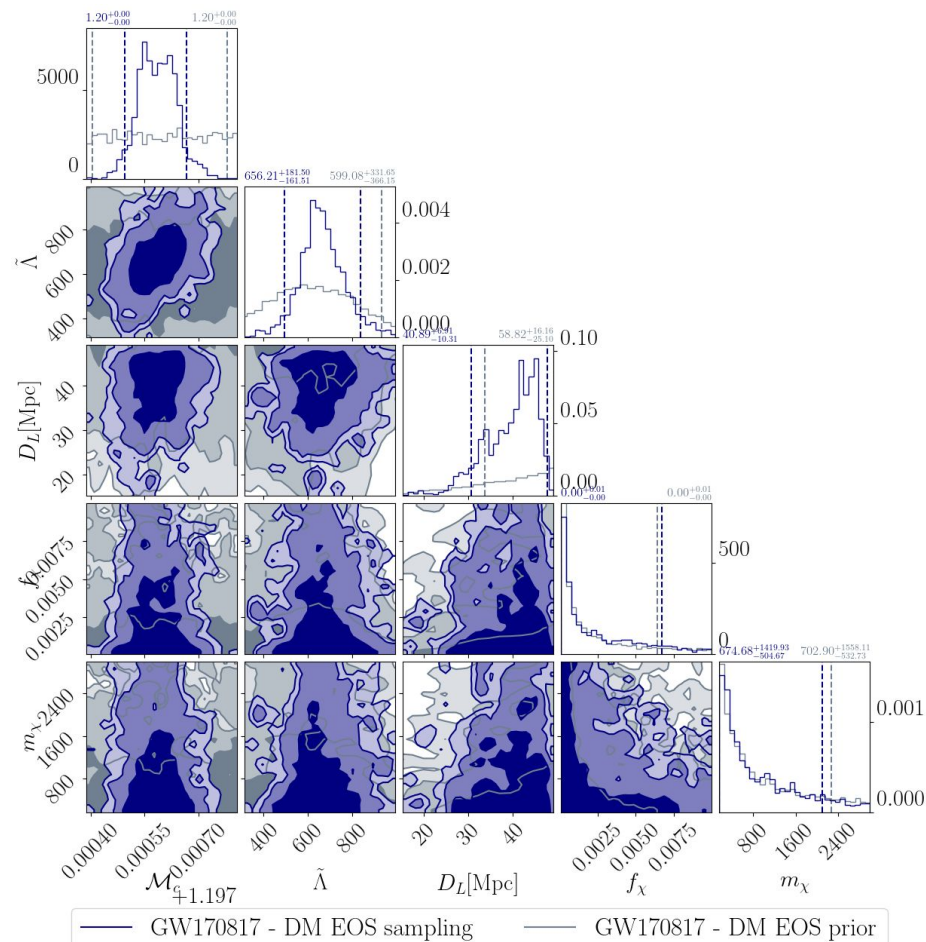
- estimating the Hubble Constant
- **new:** sampling on Dark Matter parameters

Including nuclear physics and dark matter information

- sampling on EOS and **DM parameters** during parameter estimation



Results | GW170817 | assuming presence of dark matter



Data: GW170817 observation

GW model: IMRPhenomPv2_NRTidalv2

EOS set: DM EOS

Prior ranges

- dark matter fraction:
 f_χ : [0.01, 1] in % | log-uniform
- dark matter particle mass:
 m_χ : [170, 3000] in MeV | log-uniform

Results | Injections | Analyzing BNS events of Koehn et al. (2024)

→ Generation of 16 BNS population catalogues assuming Einstein Telescope (ET)

Similarities

- > each has 500 BNS events
- > signal-to-noise ratio, SNR > 100
- > same BNS population model

Differences

- > injected baryonic EOS,
- > DM particle mass,
- > DM fraction population

→ Posterior generation: Fisher Matrix approach with *gwfast*

[Iacovelli, et al. (2022)]

$$F_{jk} = \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{L}(\vec{\theta}|d_{\text{GW}})}{\partial \theta_j} \frac{\partial \ln \mathcal{L}(\vec{\theta}|d_{\text{GW}})}{\partial \theta_k} \right)$$

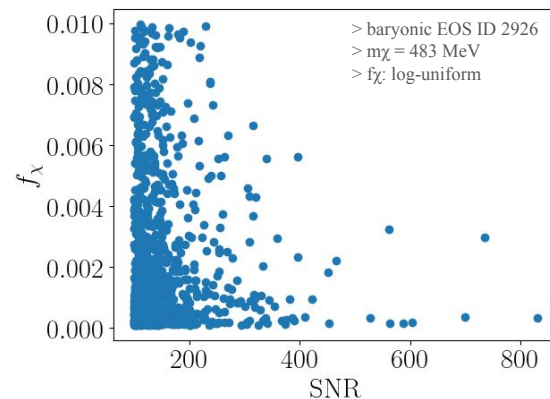
→ **For now:** Analyzing BNS events from 1 catalogue



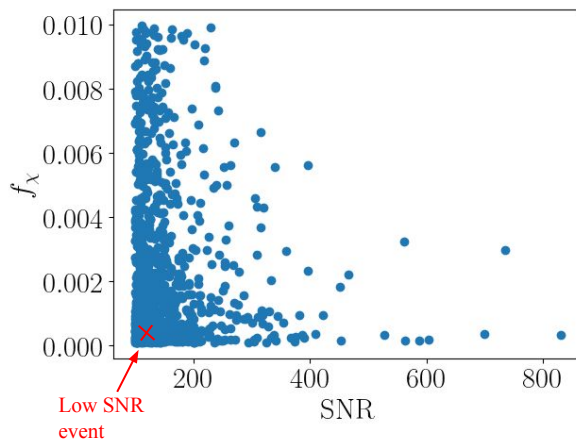
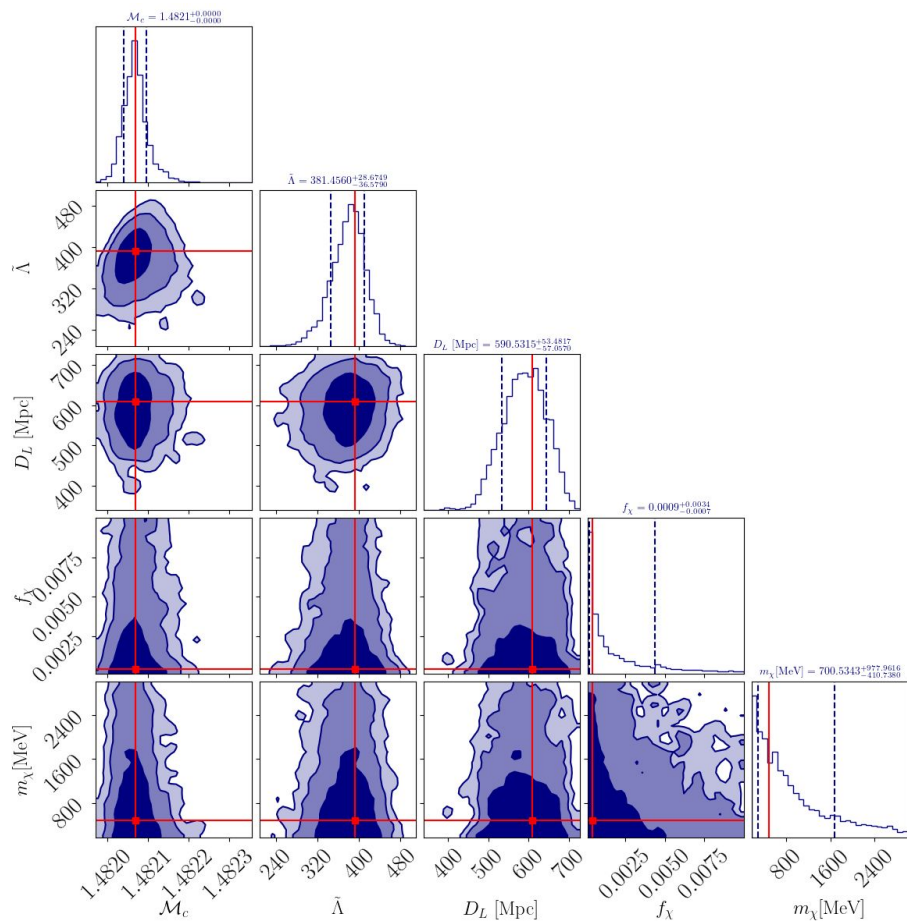
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	parameter	symbol	distribution
intrinsic	Component mass [M_{\odot}]	m_1, m_2	Eq. (6)
	Spin magnitude	a_1, a_2	$\mathcal{U}(0, 0.05)$
	DM fraction	f_{χ}	Log or $\mathcal{U}(10^{-4}, 10^{-2})$
	Tidal deformability	Λ_1, Λ_2	from EOS, m_{χ}, f_{χ}
observational	Luminosity distance [Mpc]	d_L	$\mathcal{U}_{\text{com. vol.}}(1, 1000)$
	Sky position [rad]	φ, θ	$\mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi), \text{Cos}(0, \pi)$
	Trigger time [GPS]	t_c	$\mathcal{U}(1 \text{ yr})$
	Phase [rad]	ϕ_c	$\mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi)$
	Inclination [rad]	ι	$\text{Cos}(0, \pi)$
	Polarization [rad]	ψ	$\mathcal{U}(0, 2\pi)$

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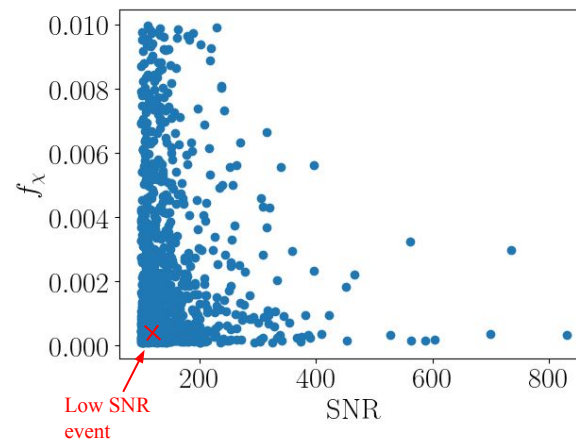
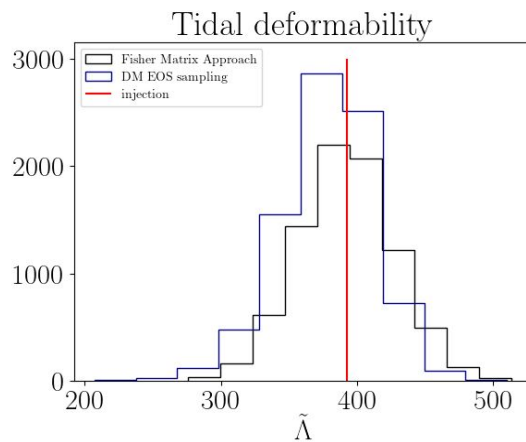
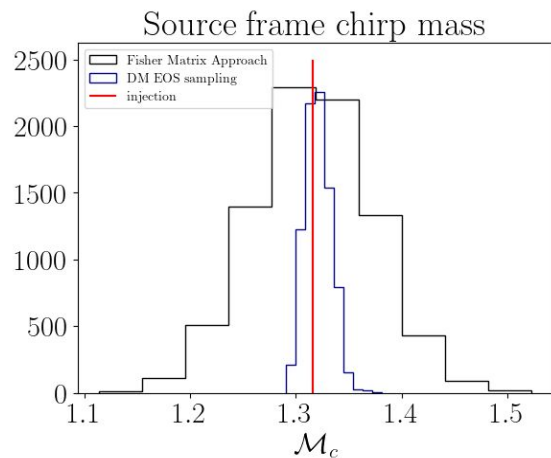


Results | Injections | DM EOS sampling



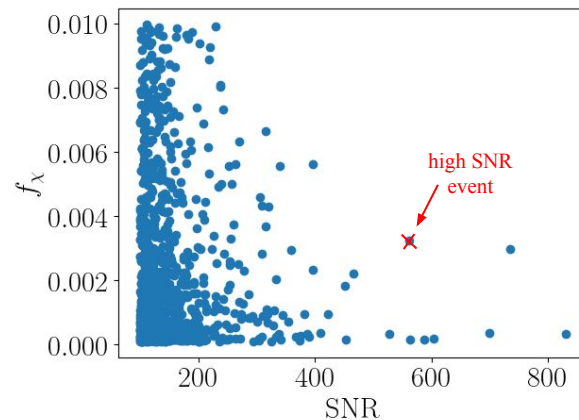
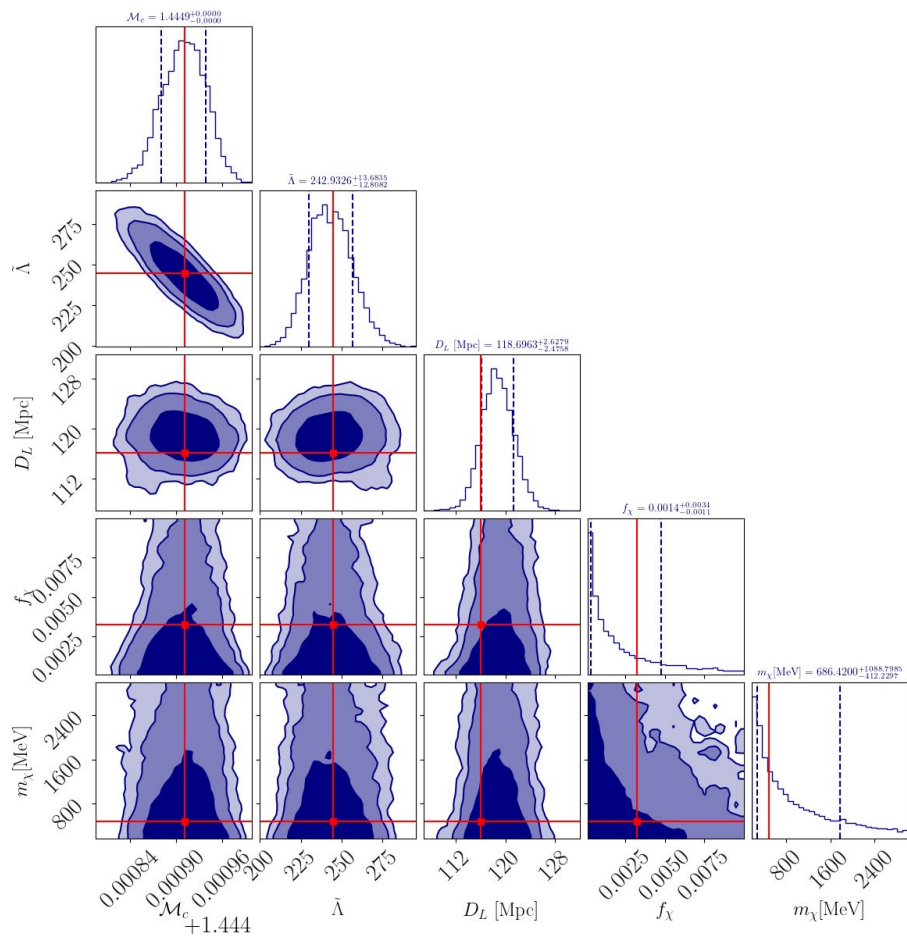
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GW model	IMRPhenomD_NRTidalv2
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Sampler settings	Dynesty sampler, $n_{\text{live}} = 2048$
Speed-up factor	~ 188

Results | Injections | Comparing to Fisher Matrix Approach



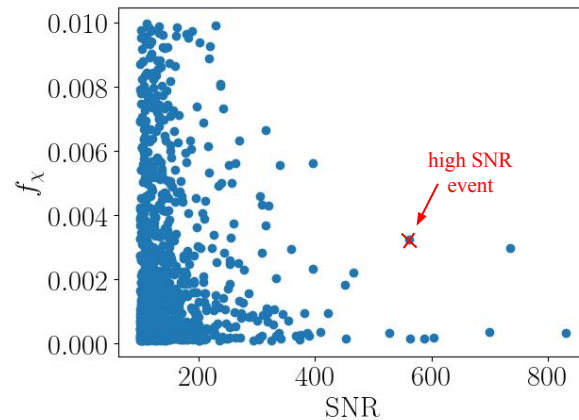
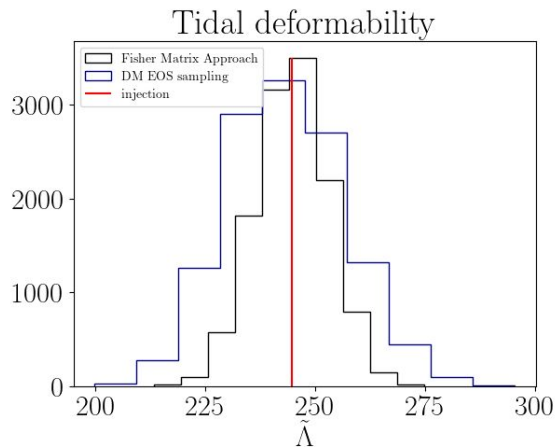
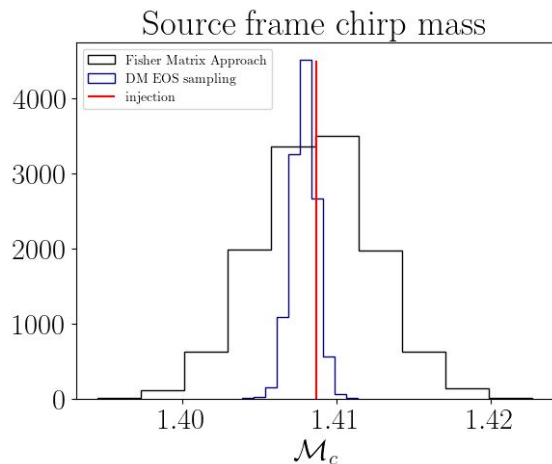
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Summary

- GW170817 has no constraining power for DM
- Injections:
 - DM EOS sampling implemented in Bilby and NMMA
 - injected parameters can be recovered with DM EOS sampling
- Fisher matrix is (so far) a reasonable approximation

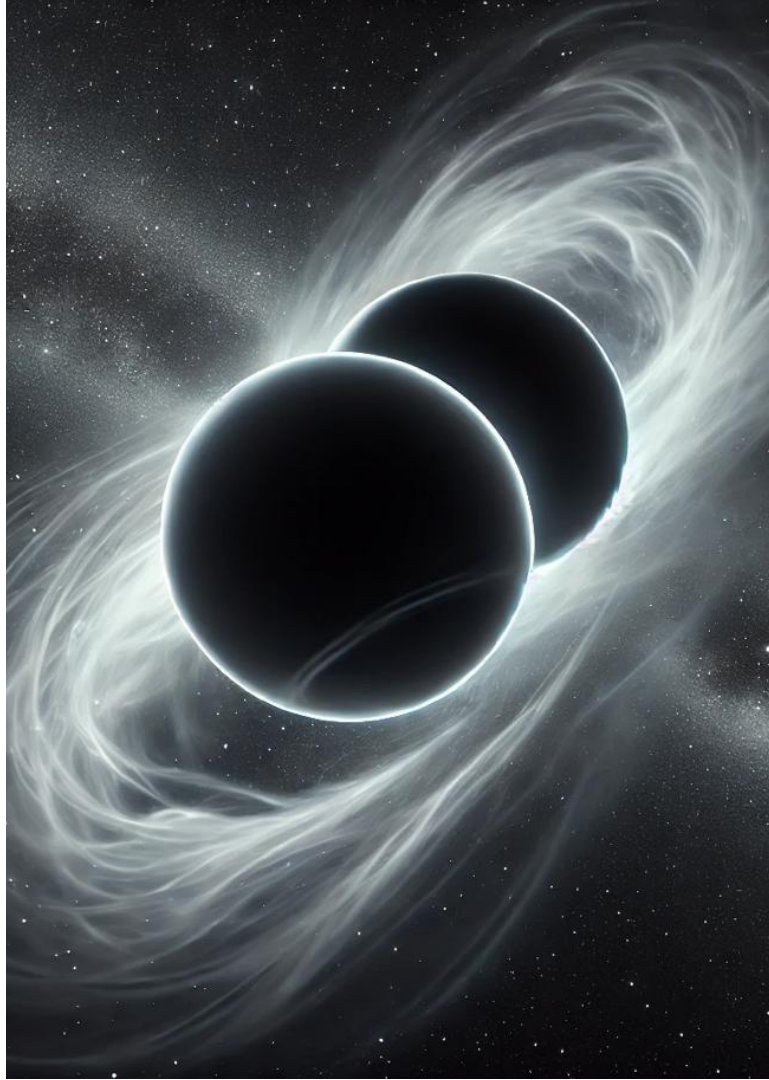
Outlook

short-term | this study

- further testing required | Fisher Matrix, realistic ET setup
- model selection analysis | analyze a different DM model

long-term | future projects

- GW model construction with DM
- requires: NR simulations of DM admixed BNSs (E. Giangrandi's talk)



Back-up slide | Investigating the impact of the speed-up method

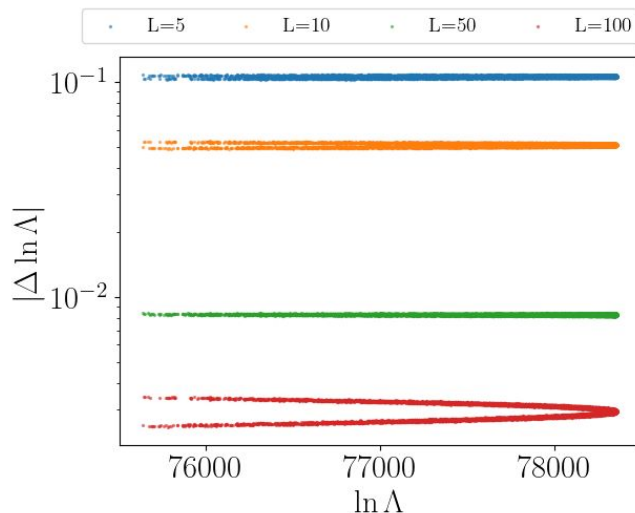
→ similar to Morisaki (2021), we compute error of log-likelihood ratio, $\ln \Lambda$

- > data: posterior obtained for a high SNR event seen in ET
- > investigation: varying the accuracy factor, L

Expectation:

→ error of log-likelihood ratio should decrease with increasing accuracy factor L

High SNR event seen with Einstein Telescope



Our result:

- confirms this trend
- PE runs with Einstein Telescope require increased accuracy factor