

GCN NOTICES: CONTENTS IN O1

	CBC	Burst
IVORN	ivo://nasa.gsfc.gcn/LVC#{G,M}nnnnnn- {1,2,3}-Preliminary,Initial,Update	
Who	LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration (lv-em@gw-astronomy.org)	
What	GraceDB ID: {G,M}nnnnnn	
Search Group	CBC	Burst
Pipeline	Gstlal or MBTA	CWB
Internal	0 or 1 (0 causes distribution to partners)	
FAR	estimated FAR in Hz	
Network	Binary flag for each detector (LHO_participated, etc.)	
Skymap	SKYMAP_URL_{FITS,PNG}_{SHIB,X509,BASIC} (not included in a Preliminary alert)	
WhereWhen	Arrival time (UTC, ISO-8601), e.g., 2010-08-27T19:21:13.982800	



GCN NOTICES: NEW FOR O2

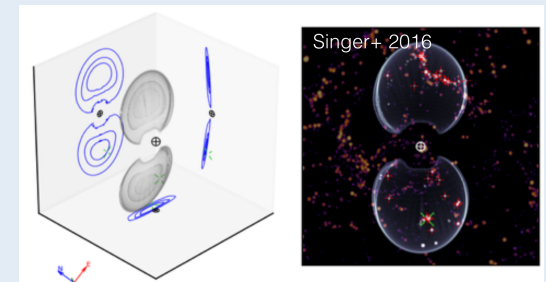
	CBC	Burst
...	...	
What	GraceDB ID: $\{G,M\}nnnnnn$	
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PROPOSED Search-specific parameters (Initial, Update)	Distance: <i>a posteriori</i> mean luminosity distance in Mpc	N/A
	DistanceError: <i>a posteriori</i> standard deviation of luminosity distance in Mpc	
	ContainsNeutronStar: Probability (0–1) that the less massive companion has a source-frame mass $<3 M_{\odot}$	
	EMBright: Probability (0–1) that the system ejected a significant amount of NS material, as calculated by method of Pannarale & Ohme (2014)	
...	...	

O2 GCN Alerts contents to support observing strategy

- Event time and probability sky localization map (HEALPix FITS file)
- Estimate of False Alarm Rate of event candidate (FAR < 1/1month)
- Basic source classification: found by CBC, Burst, or both pipelines;

For compact binary candidates:

- “EM bright” indicators:
 - **Source classifier** → Probability of **presence of a NS** in the binary (object $m < 3$ solar mass)
 - **Remnant mass classifier** → Probability of **presence of any NS tidally disrupted mass left outside the BH**
(Foucart 2012, PhRvD, Pannarale & Ohme, 2014, ApJ)
- Luminosity distance marginalized over whole sky
(mean+/-standard deviation)
- 3D sky maps
with direction-dependent distance
(e.g. Singer et al. 2016, ApJL 829, L15)



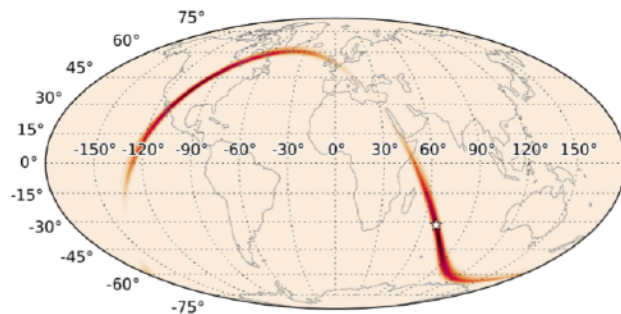
CBC Sky localization map

Arrival time
Amplitudes
Phase

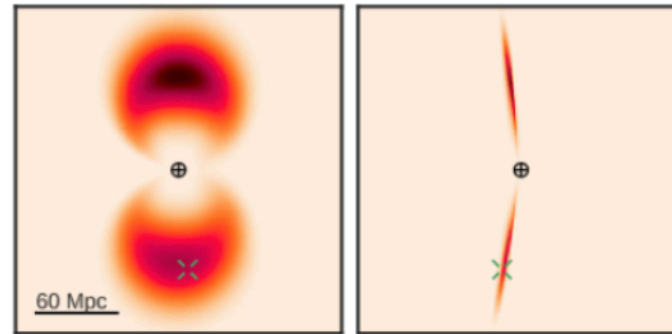
→ sky location

→ distance to the source

→ **Sky location also in 3 D**



Sky direction



Projections of 3d location

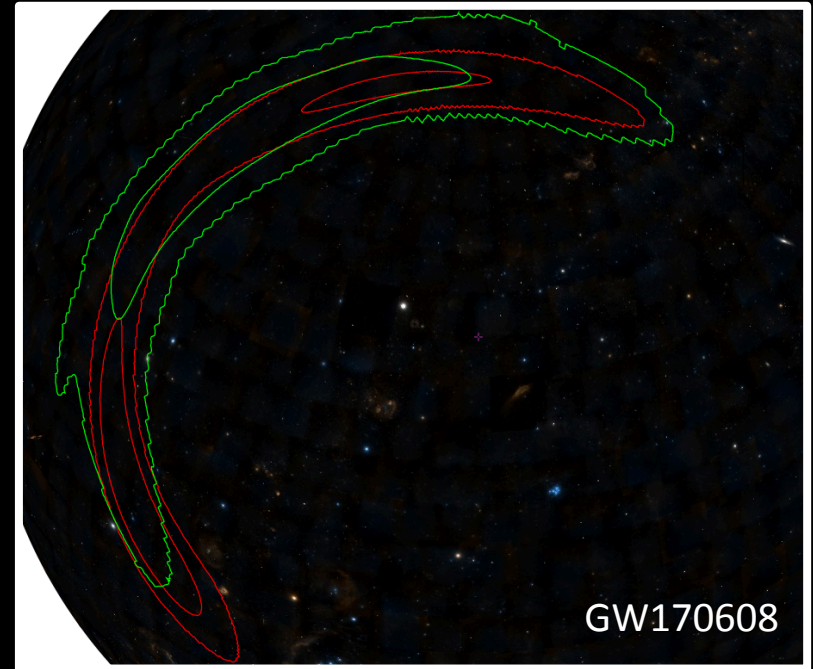
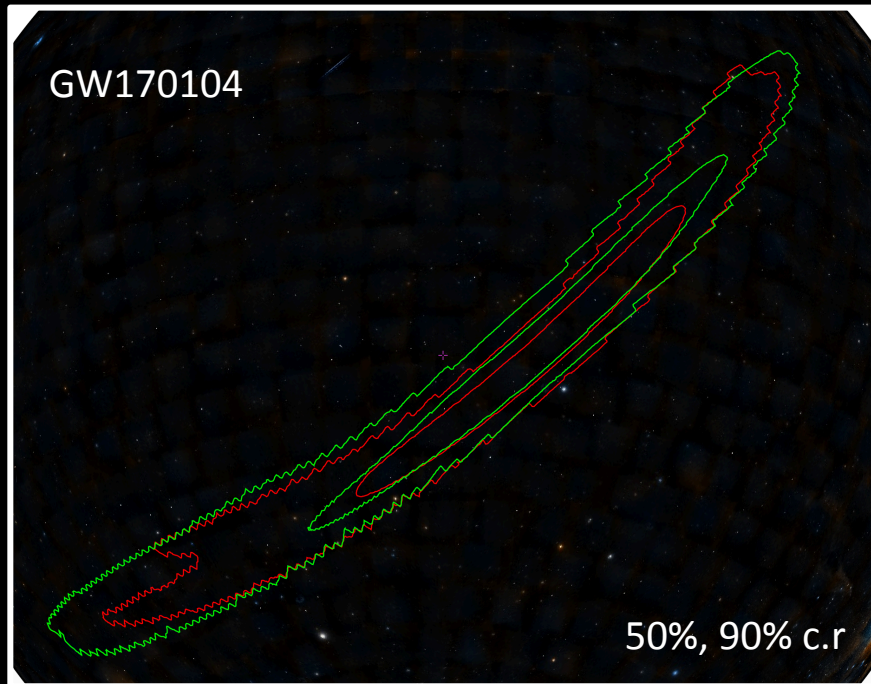
Online pipelines estimate → arrival time, phase, signal amplitude at each detector

These estimates + template masses constrain direction of GW arrival and distance to the source

→ **BAYESTAR** (Singer et al 2014, ApJ, 795, 2016 ApJL, 829): estimate 3D location in <1 minute

→ **LALInference, full PE Bayesian MCMC** (Veitch 2015; Berry et al. 2015), modeling the inspiral-merger-ring down phase and taking into account the calibration uncertainty

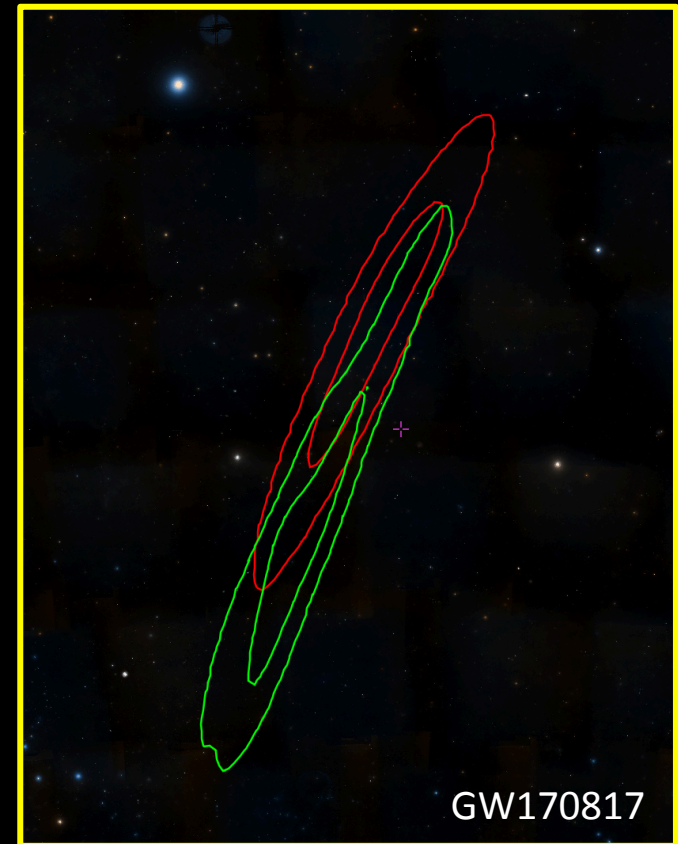
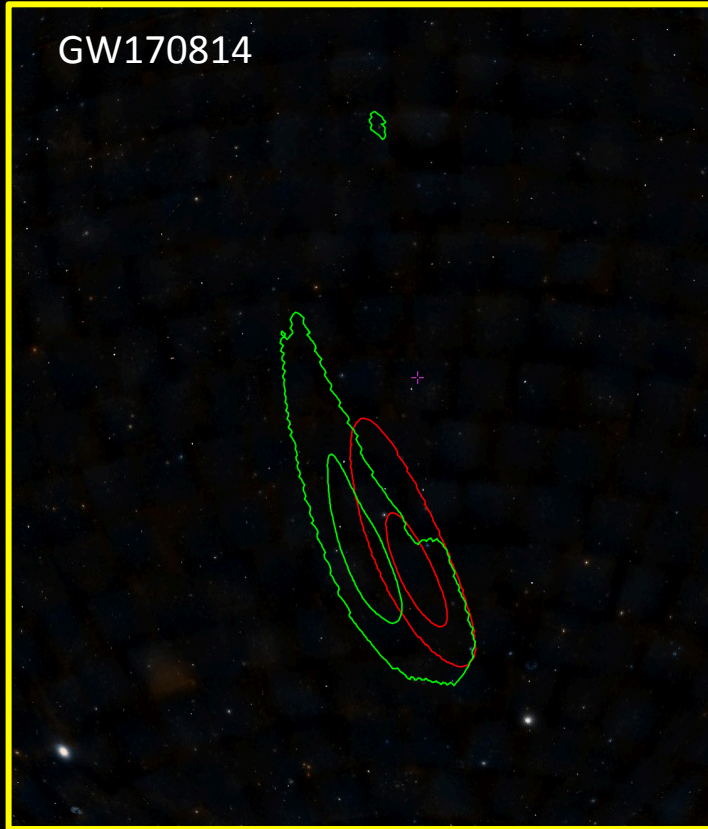
Initial skymaps: **BAYESTAR** → **LALInference**



→ Median latency
BAYESTAR/**LALInference**
5 days, for GW170817 6 hours!

→ **BAYESTAR**/**LALInference** typically consistent, except in the case of calibration/glitch issues

- **BAYESTAR/LALInference** typically consistent, except in the case of calibration/glitch issues



O3 Warning: data quality flag? OBs flexibility?

Providing error ellipses for sufficiently well-localized events?