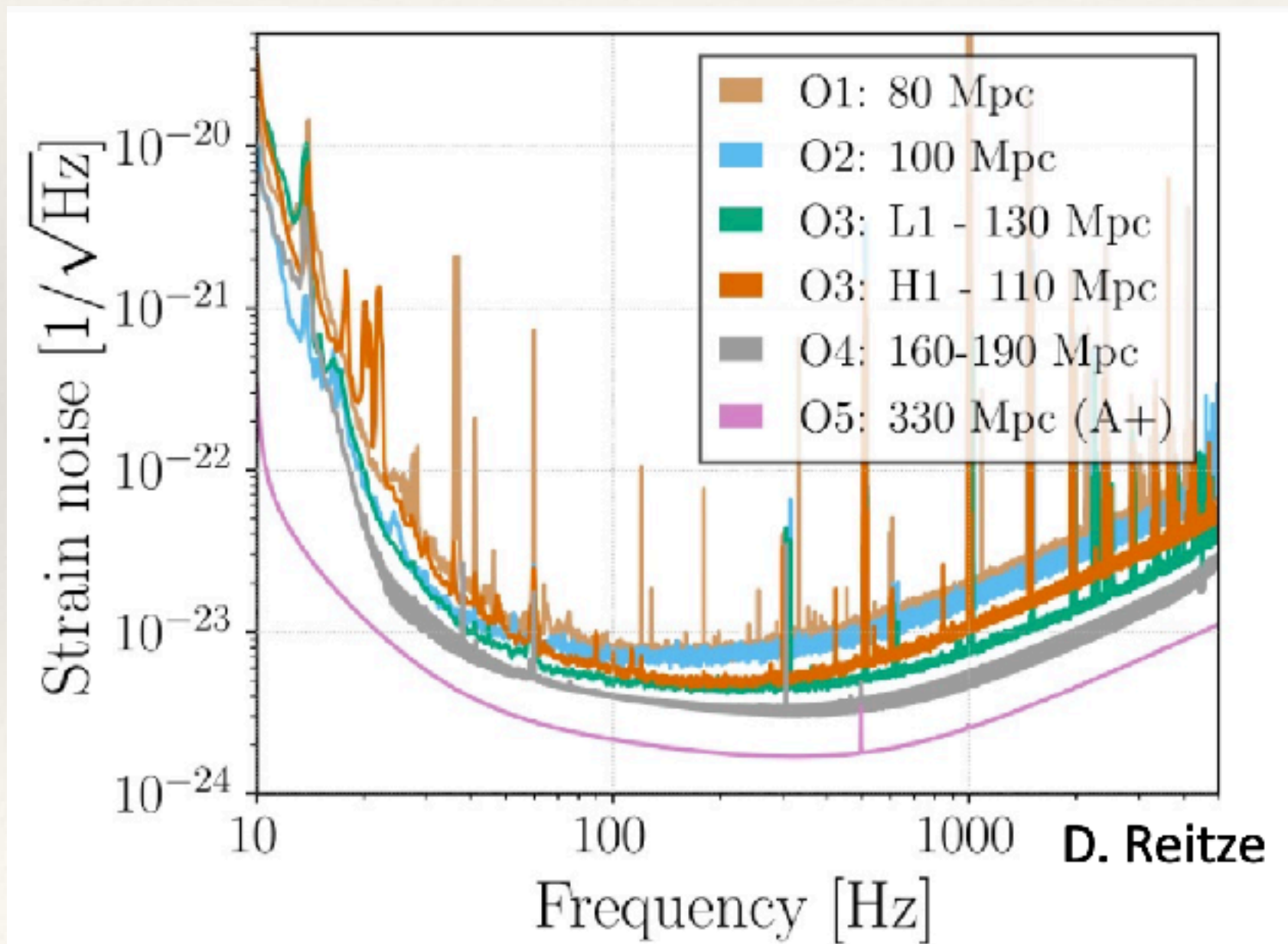


Looking forward to O4

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Talk outline

- ❖ Review of results to end of O3
- ❖ Upgrades introduced for O4
- ❖ Expected O4 sensitivity and implications for event rate
- ❖ Plans for alerts in O4
- ❖ (if time permits) Things I'm looking forward to in O4: cosmology, rapid and robust PE with Dingo

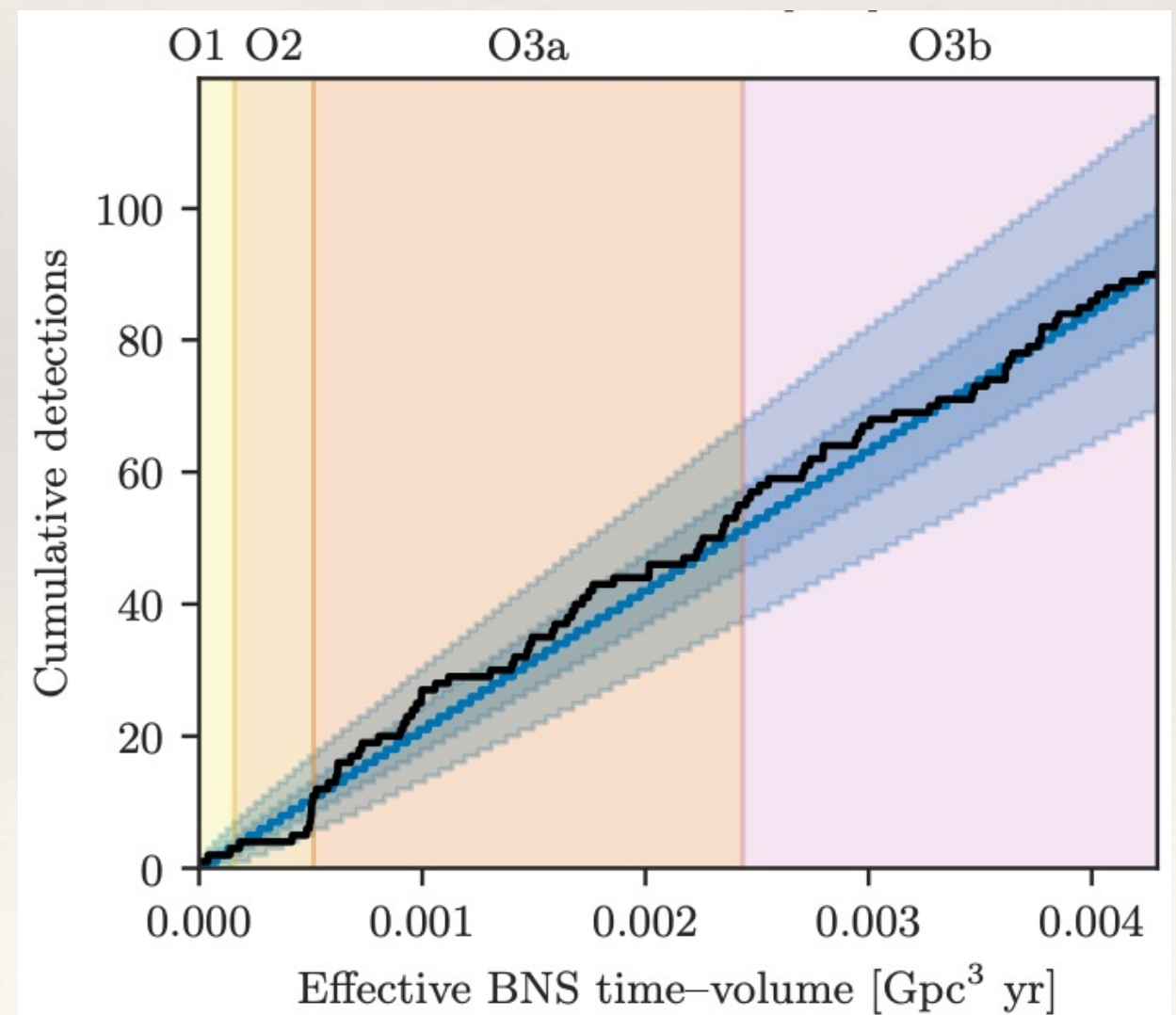
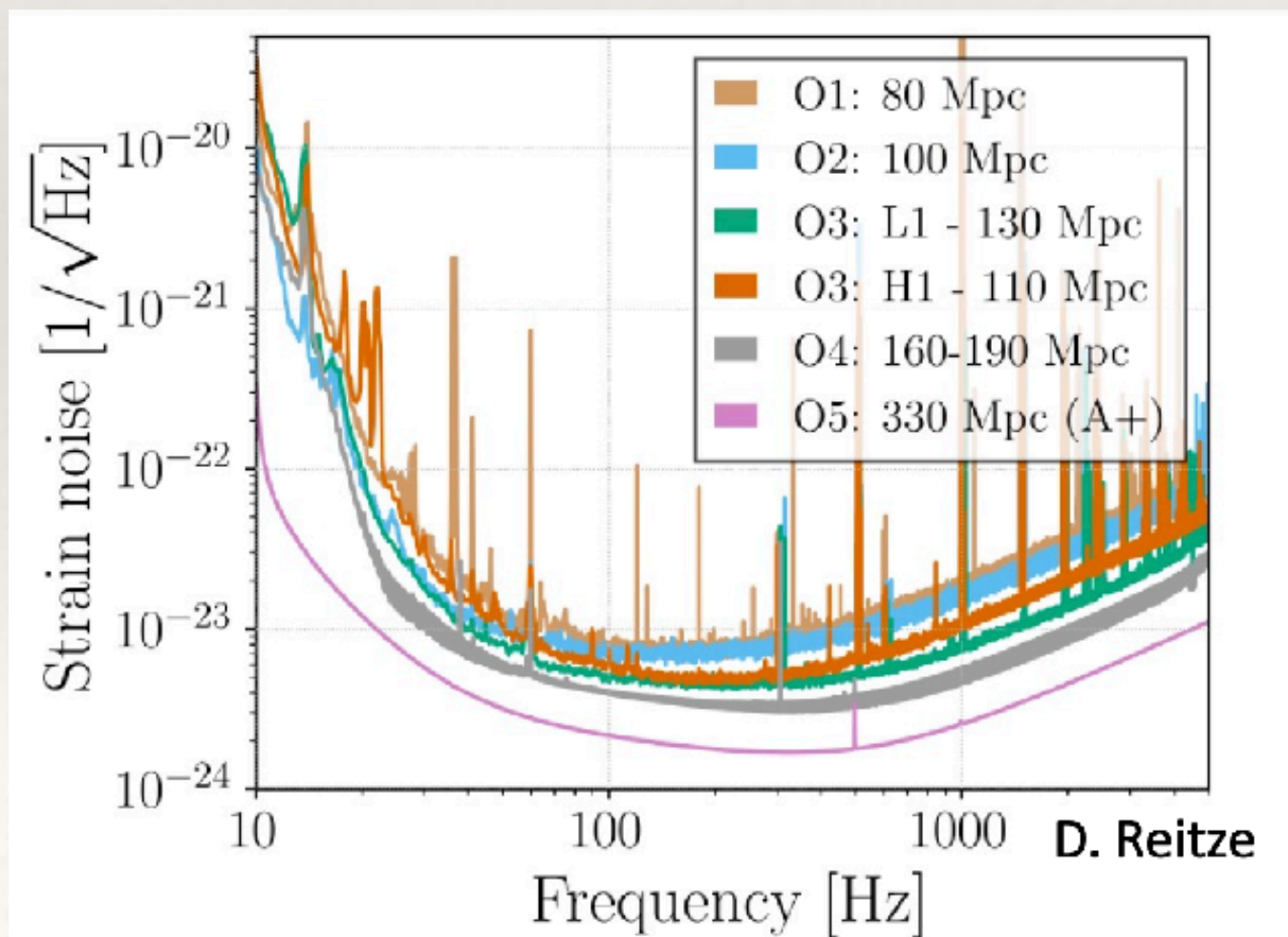
Gravitational wave detectors

- ❖ A network of ground-based detectors is currently operating
 - ❖ LIGO: two 4km interferometers in Hanford, WA and Livingston, LA. Advanced LIGO began taking data in September 2015. O4 observing run starting May 2023.
 - ❖ Virgo: 3km interferometer at Cascina, near Pisa, Italy. Advanced Virgo began to collect data in late July 2017.
 - ❖ Japanese detector, KAGRA, came online early in 2020. Third LIGO detector in India under construction.

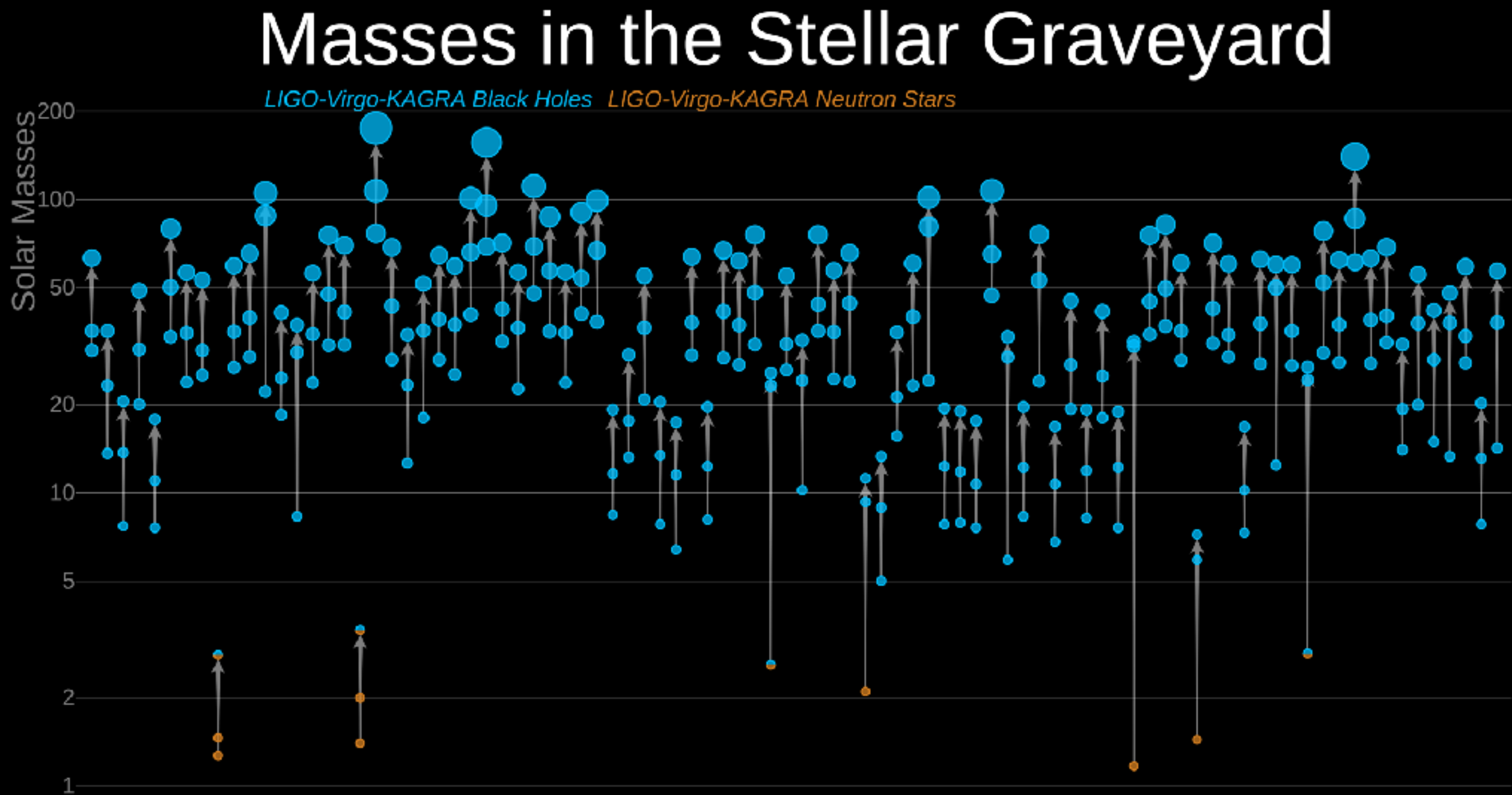


Previous observing runs

- ❖ O1: Sept to Dec 2015; O2: Jan to Aug 2017; O3a: April 1 to Oct 1 2019; O3b: Nov 1 2019 to Mar 27 2020.
- ❖ O4: currently carrying out an engineering run. Observing run scheduled to start on May 24th.

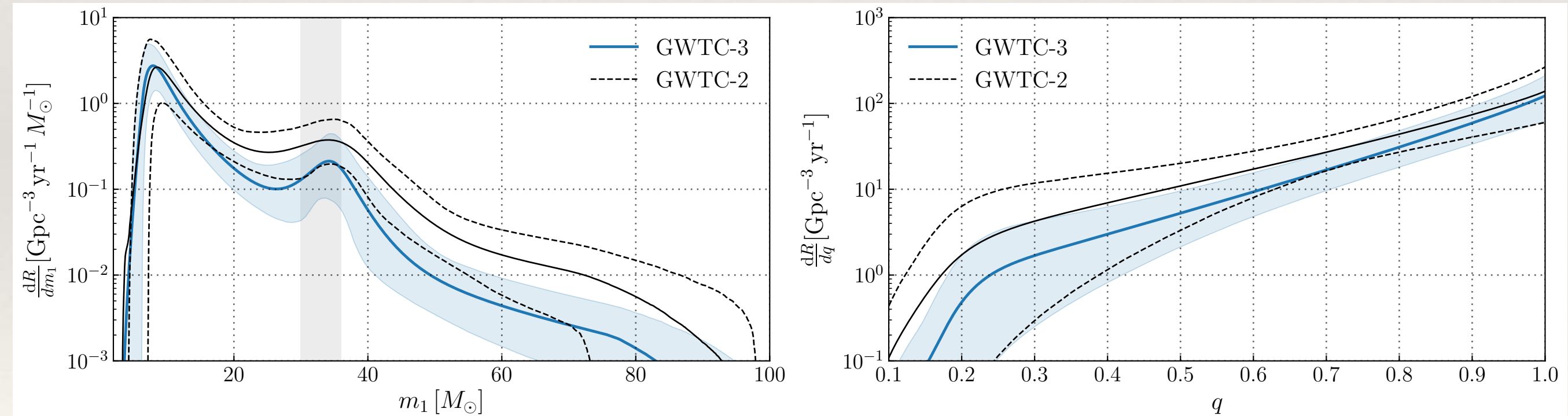


Previous events



Previous events: black holes

- ❖ To date LIGO has seen 90 events with $>50\%$ chance of astrophysical origin.
- ❖ The majority (84) are likely BBH events.

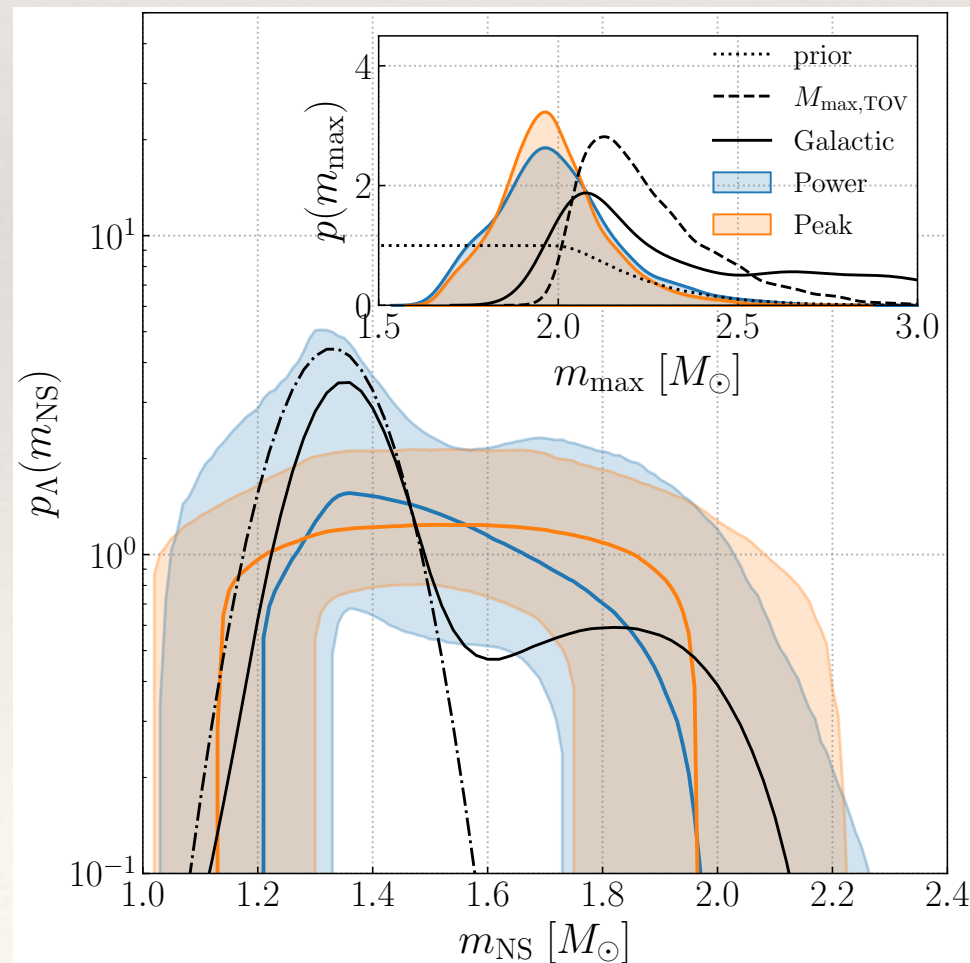
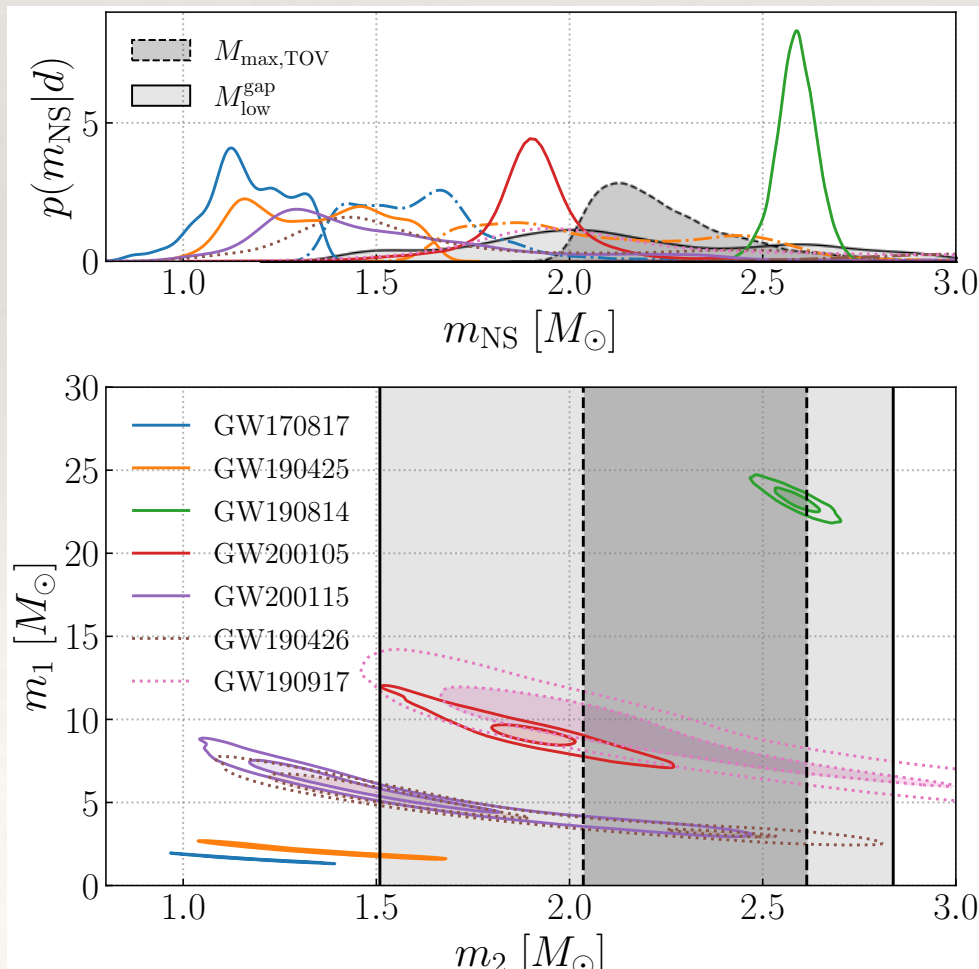


LVC BBH properties from GWTC-3 (2021)

Previous events: neutron stars

- Have also seen 7 events which may contain neutron stars. 2 BNS, 2 + NSBH, 1 probably BBH.

Name	$\text{FAR}_{\min} \text{ (yr}^{-1}\text{)}$	$P(m < M_{\text{max,TOV}})$	$P(m < M_{\text{low}}^{\text{gap}})$	Classification
GW170817	$< 1 \times 10^{-5}$	0.99	0.97	BNS
GW190425	3.38×10^{-02}	0.67	0.71	BNS
GW190814	$< 1 \times 10^{-5}$	0.06	0.24	BBH
GW200105	2.04×10^{-01}	0.94	0.73	NSBH
GW200115	$< 1 \times 10^{-5}$	0.93	0.96	NSBH
GW190426	9.12×10^{-01}	0.82	—	NSBH
GW190917	6.56×10^{-01}	0.56	—	NSBH

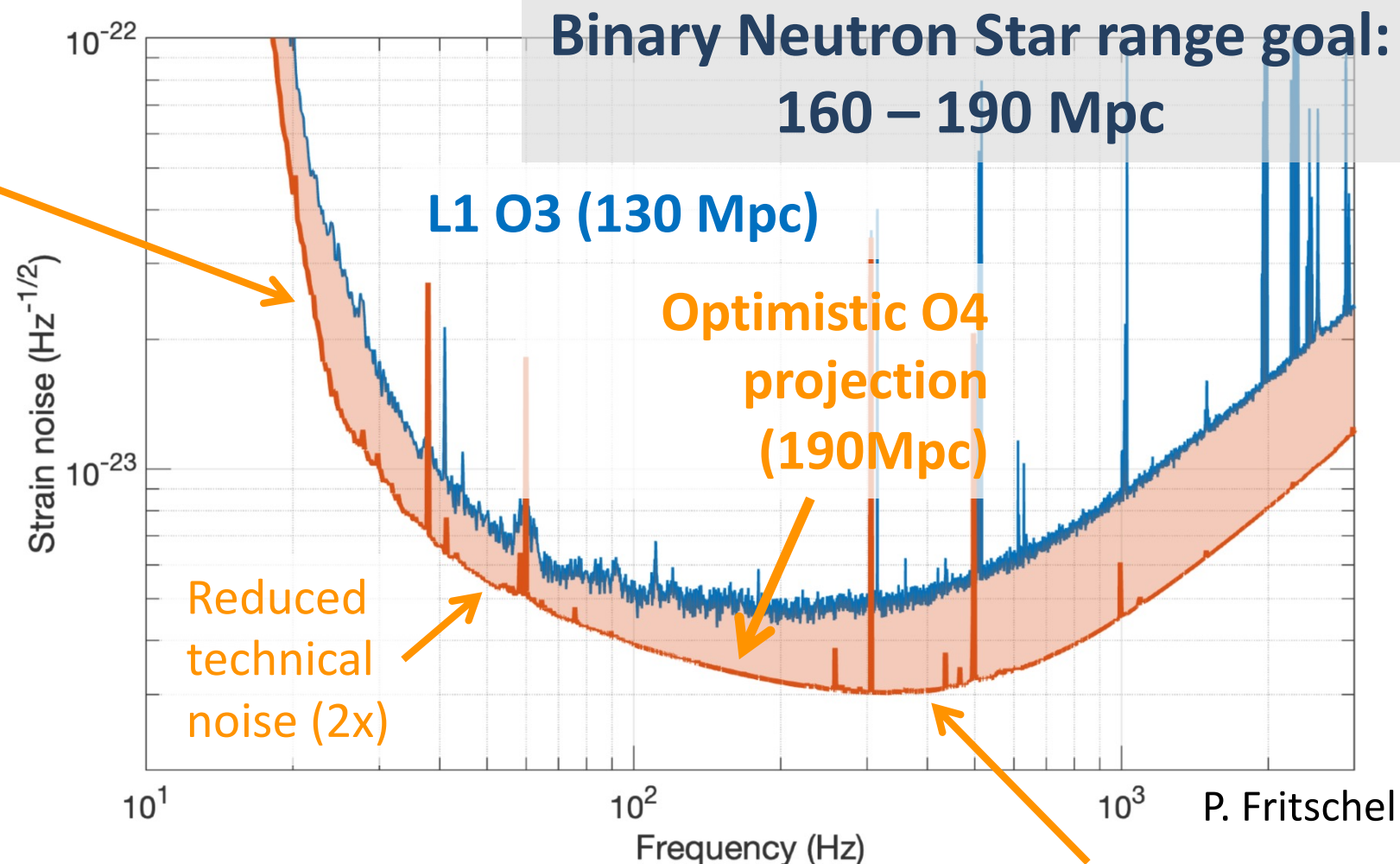


LVC BBH
properties from
GWTC-3 (2021)

GOALS

- **400 kW circulating arm power**
 - Compare to 200 kW in O3
- **Squeezed light efficacy*: 4.5 dB**
 - Shot noise region; compare to 2-3 dB in O3
- **300 m filter cavity*** for frequency dependent squeezing
 - No radiation pressure enhancement from squeezing
- **Low frequency technical noise reduction**
 - Below 100 Hz

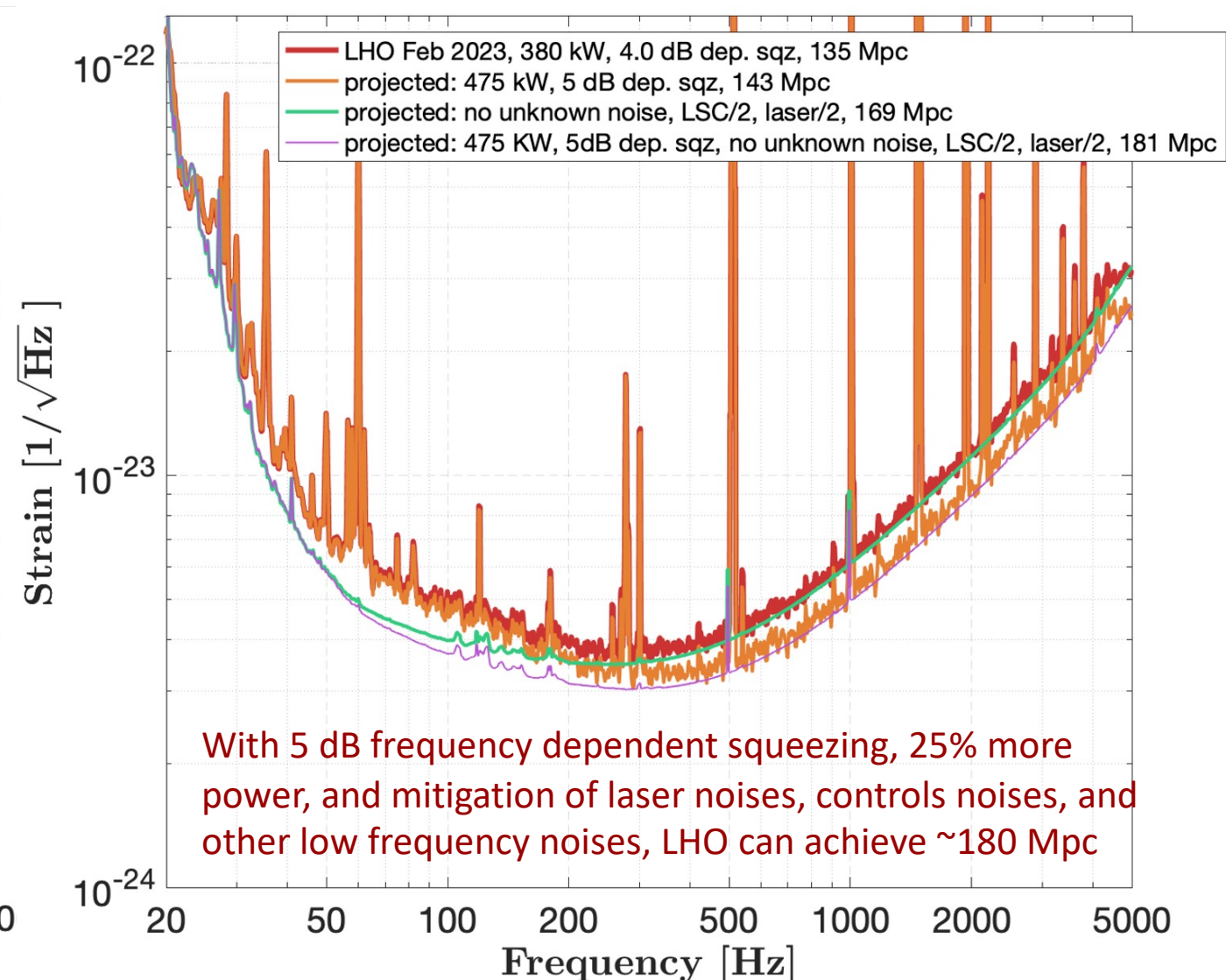
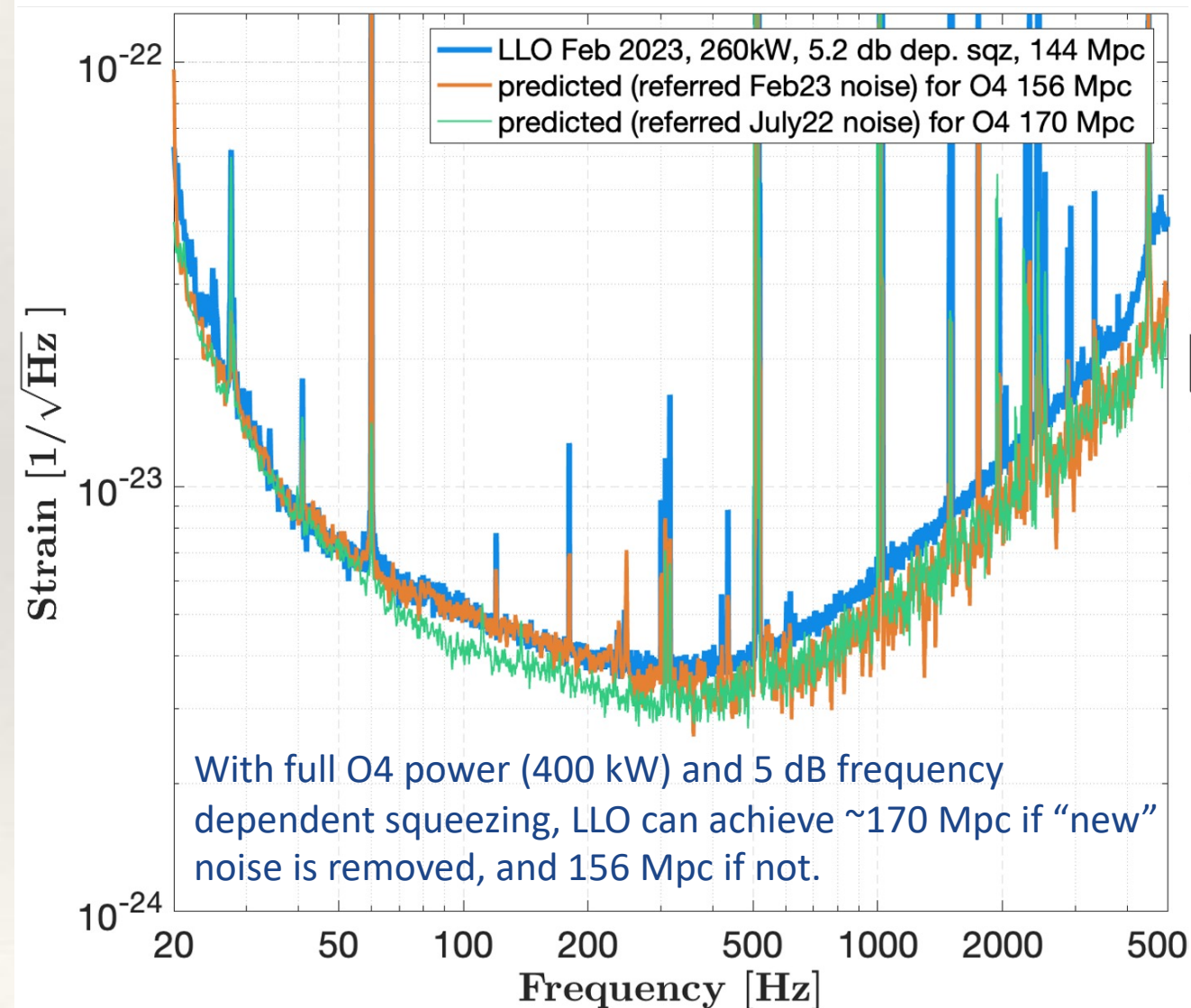
Reduced radiation pressure & technical noise



Double laser power
More squeezing

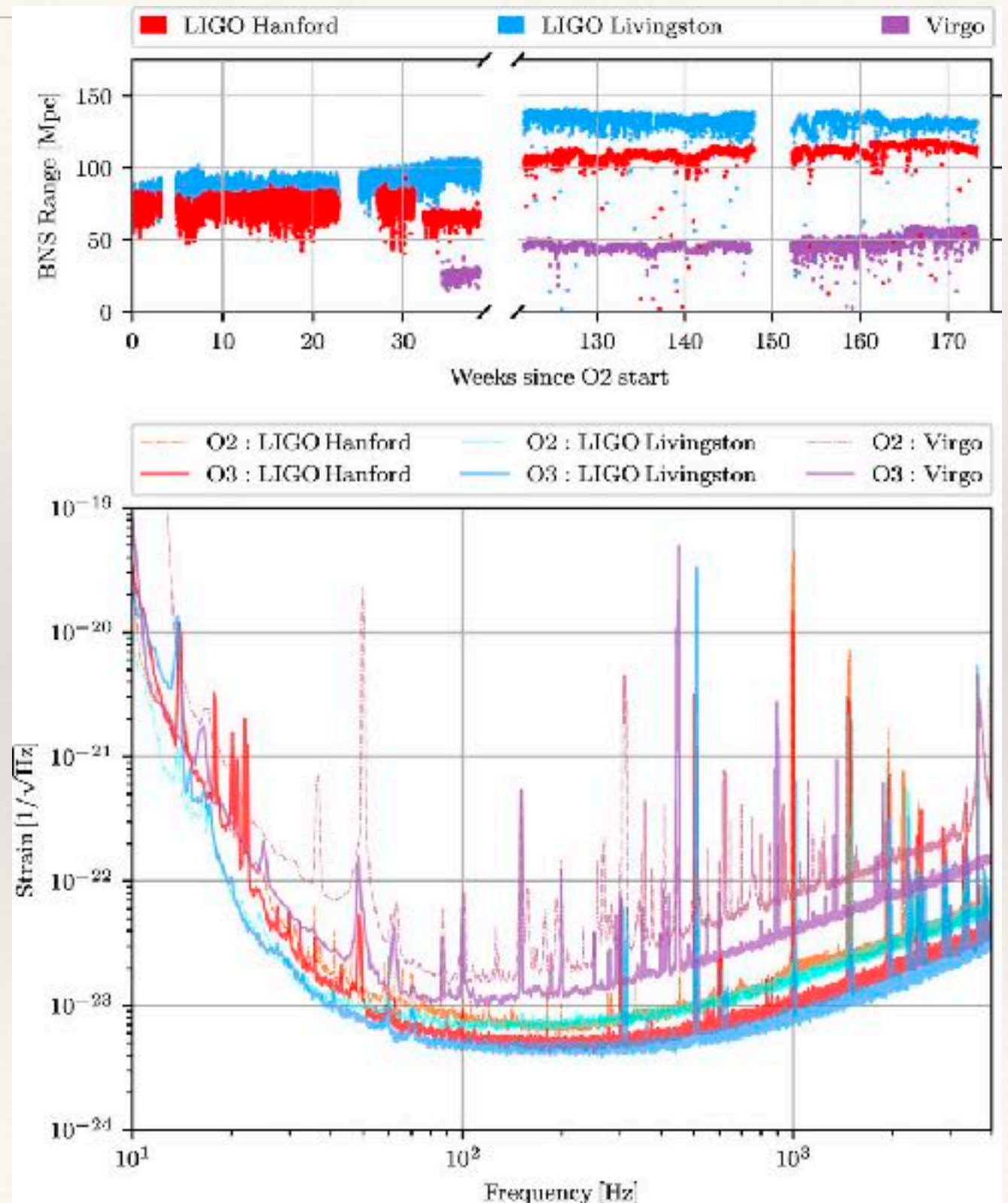
O4 sensitivity: improvements

- ❖ As of February, BNS range of 145Mpc/135Mpc achieved in LLO/LHO respectively. Expected final range of 156/143 Mpc to 170 Mpc.



O4 sensitivity

- ❖ O3 BNS range was 130 Mpc for L1 and 110 Mpc for H1.
- ❖ If both L1 and H1 achieve 170 Mpc BNS range, increase sensitive distance by $\sim 40\%$, sensitive volume by a factor of ~ 2.8 .
- ❖ If L1 / H1 reach only 156 / 143 Mpc, increase sensitive range by $\sim 25\%$, sensitive volume by a factor of ~ 1.9 .



O4 sensitivity: event rates

- ❖ Inferred merger rates after O3:
 - ❖ BNS: 10 - 1700 Gpc⁻³ yr⁻¹
 - ❖ NSBH: 7.8 - 140 Gpc⁻³ yr⁻¹
 - ❖ BBH: 17.9 - 44 Gpc⁻³ yr⁻¹

	$m_1 \in [5, 20] M_\odot$ $m_2 \in [5, 20] M_\odot$	$m_1 \in [20, 50] M_\odot$ $m_2 \in [5, 50] M_\odot$	$m_1 \in [50, 100] M_\odot$ $m_2 \in [5, 100] M_\odot$	All BBH
PDB (pair)	$17^{+10}_{-6.0}$	$6.8^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$	$0.68^{+0.42}_{-0.29}$	$25^{+10}_{-7.0}$
PDB (ind)	$9.4^{+5.6}_{-3.7}$	$11^{+3.0}_{-2.0}$	$1.6^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$	$22^{+8.0}_{-6.0}$
MS	30^{+23}_{-13}	$6.6^{+2.9}_{-2.3}$	$0.73^{+0.87}_{-0.52}$	37^{+24}_{-13}
BGP	$20.0^{+11.0}_{-8.0}$	$6.3^{+3.0}_{-2.2}$	$0.75^{+1.1}_{-0.46}$	$33.0^{+16.0}_{-10.0}$
PS	$27^{+12}_{-8.8}$	$3.5^{+1.5}_{-1.1}$	$0.19^{+0.16}_{-0.09}$	$31^{+13}_{-9.2}$
FM	$21.1^{+11.6}_{-7.8}$	$4.3^{+2.0}_{-1.4}$	$0.2^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$	$26.5^{+11.7}_{-8.6}$
PP	$23.6^{+13.7}_{-9.0}$	$4.5^{+1.7}_{-1.3}$	$0.2^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$28.3^{+13.9}_{-9.1}$
MERGED	13.3 – 39	2.5 – 6.3	0.099 – 0.4	17.9 – 44
PP (O3a)	$16.0^{+13.0}_{-7.7}$	$6.8^{+2.7}_{-1.9}$	$0.5^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$	$25.3^{+16.1}_{-9.9}$

O4 sensitivity: event rates

- ❖ O4 extended to 18 months to enhance prospects for multi-messenger detections.
- ❖ With a 170 Mpc BNS range in both detectors, expect to accumulate 20 times as much VT as O2 (3 times sensitive time, ~7 times sensitive volume) and ~5 times as much as O3 (~1.5 times sensitive time, ~3 times sensitive volume).

Observation Run	Network	Expected BNS Detections	Expected NSBH Detections	Expected BBH Detections
O3	HLV	1^{+12}_{-1}	0^{+19}_{-0}	17^{+22}_{-11}
O4	HLVK	10^{+52}_{-10}	1^{+91}_{-1}	79^{+89}_{-44}

5.2 O4: aLIGO 160 – 190 Mpc, AdV 90 – 120 Mpc, KAGRA 25 – 130 Mpc

O4 plans: alerts

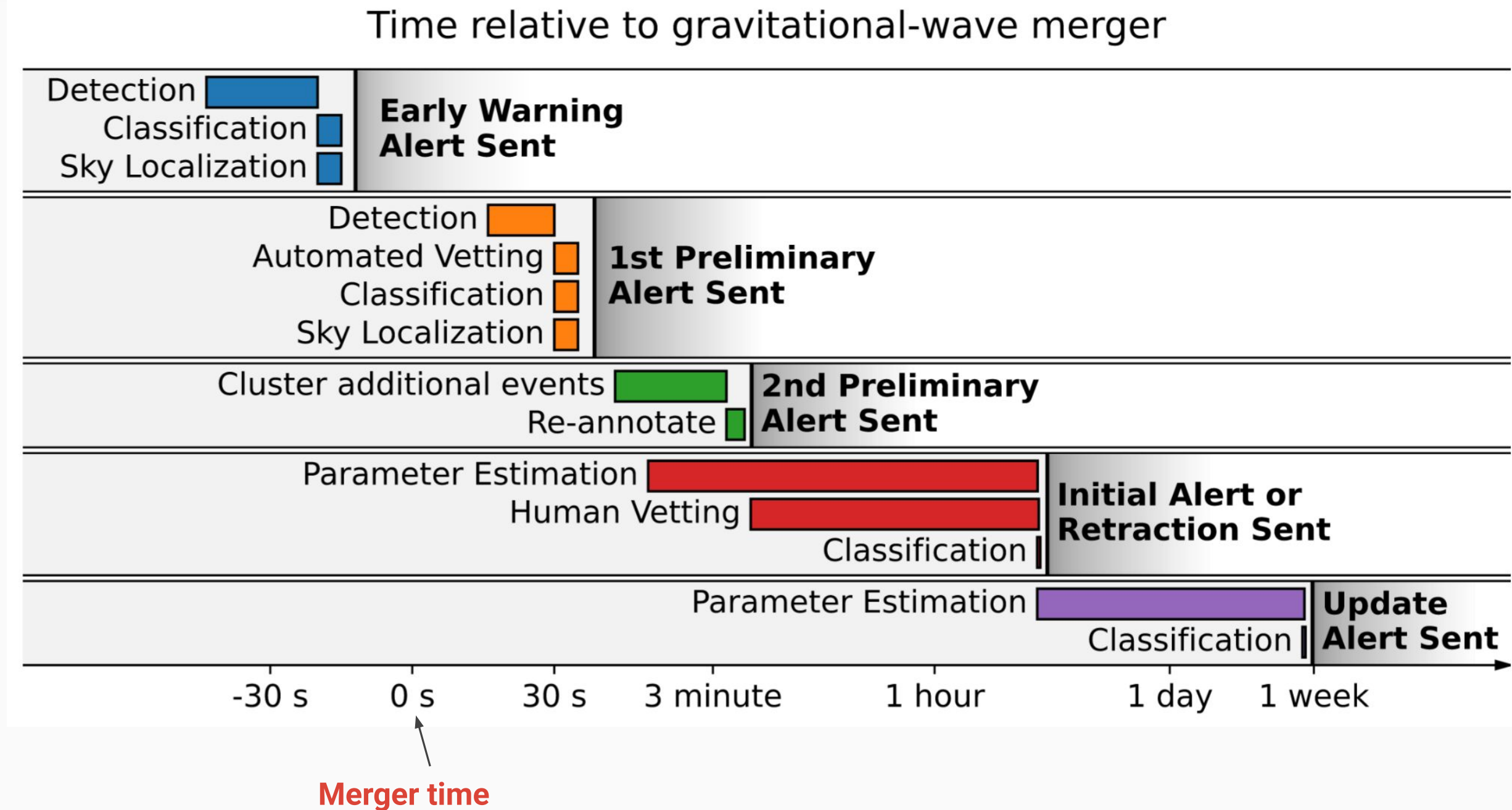
- ❖ **Updated Public Alert Threshold for O4***
- ❖ The false alarm rate threshold for public alerts will be lowered to 2 / day starting in O4. There will therefore be two classes of alerts:
 - *Low Significance* (“Subthreshold” in O3) *gravitational-wave alerts* with false alarm rate greater than 1 / month for CBC and 1 / year for Burst
 - *Significant gravitational-wave alerts* with false alarm rate less than 1 / month and 1 / year for Burst that pass automated and manual verification tests.

*May be tuned slightly during the engineering run.

O4 plans: other changes to alerts

- ❖ Early warning (pre-merger) alerts will be provided
- ❖ Multiple distribution channels for alerts:
 - ❖ GCN Notices and Circulars as in O3.
 - ❖ Kafka based alerts with embedded skymap via SCiMMA and GCN
- ❖ EM-Bright probabilities (*HasNS* and *HasRemnant*) marginalized over large number of equation of neutron star models.
- ❖ Mass-gap moved from p_{astro} to source-properties section of GCN. Called *HasMassGap*.
- ❖ New “*significant*” field introduced in the notices.

O4 plans: alert timeline



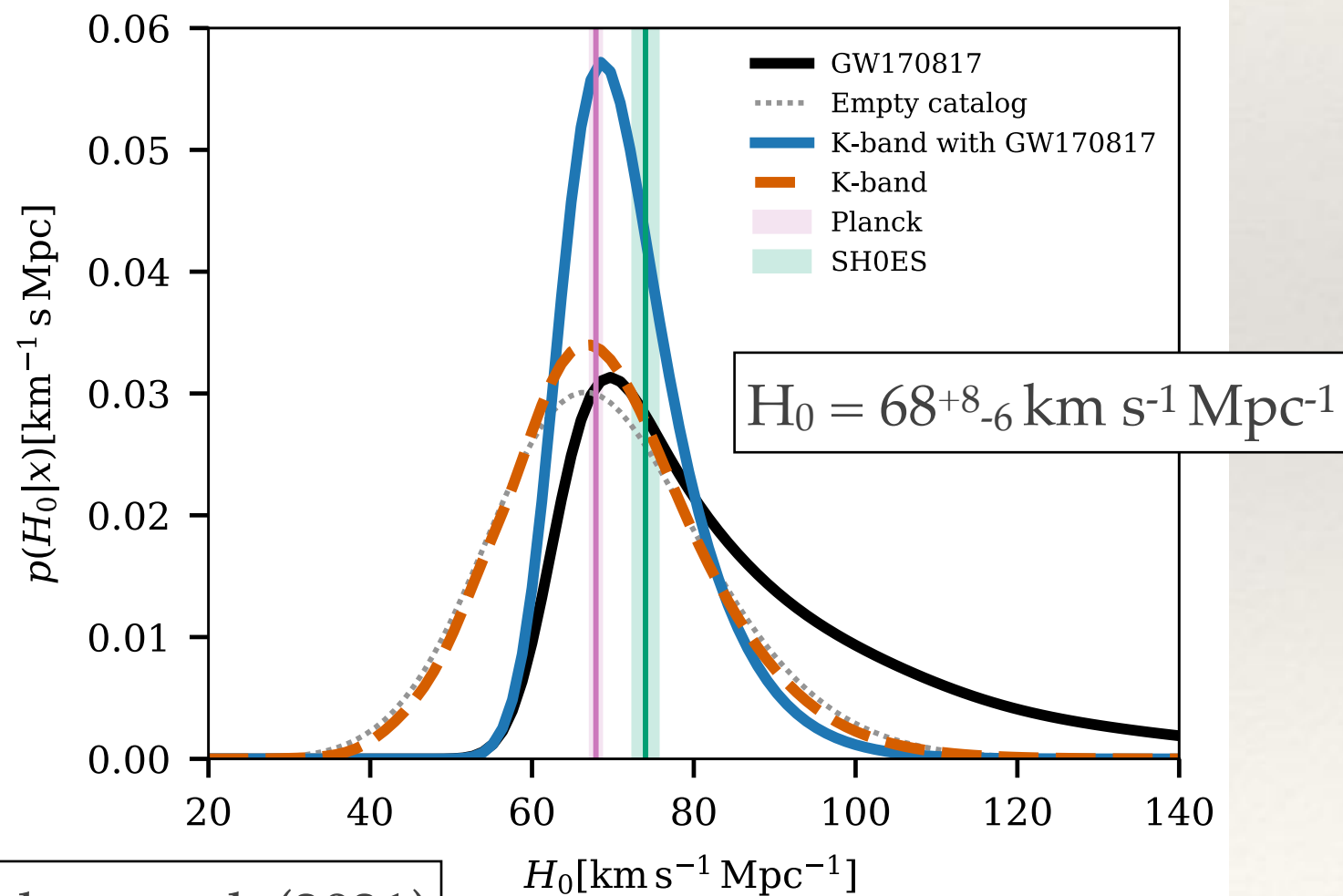
O4 plans: example alert

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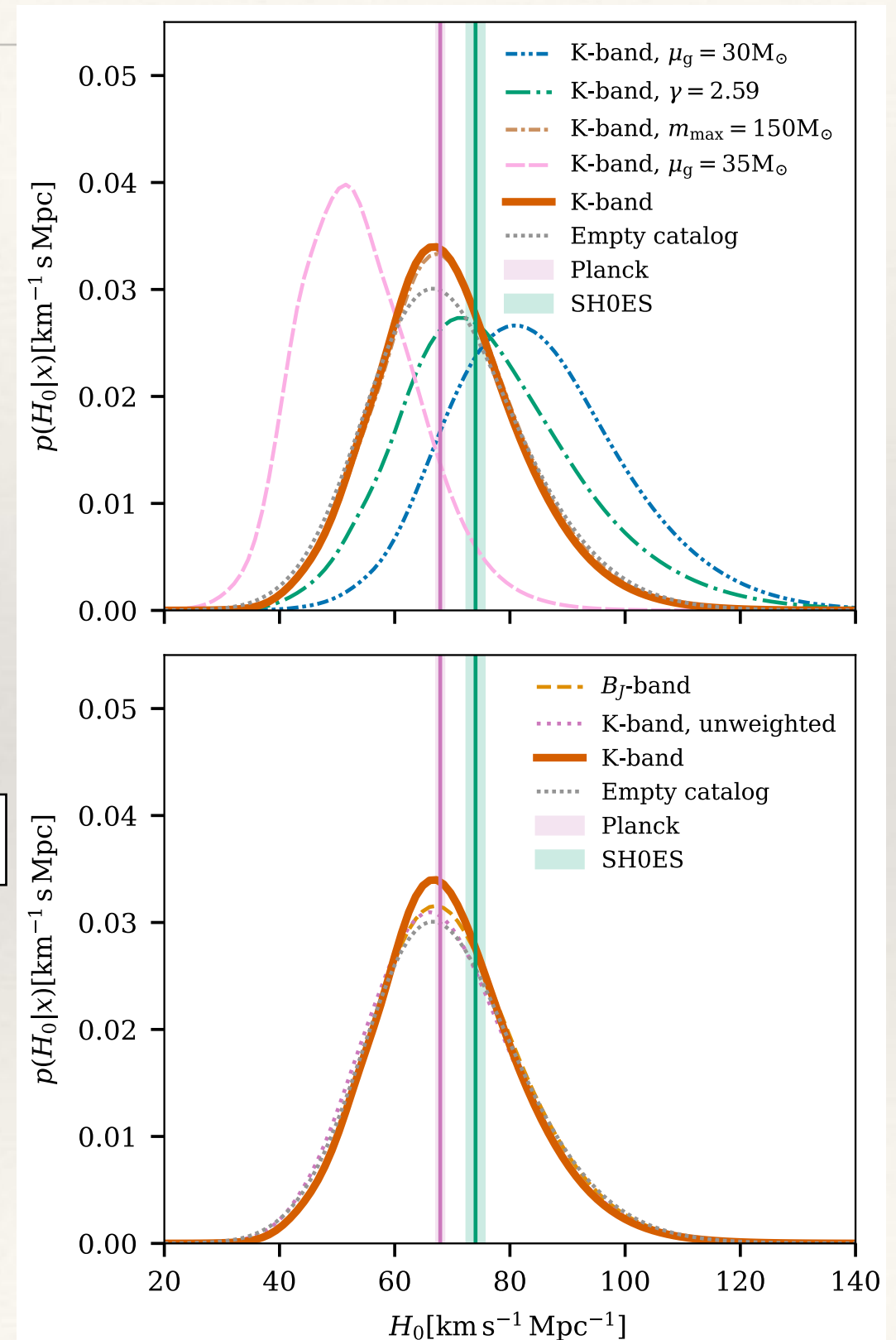
Things to look forward to

Standard siren cosmology

- ❖ LVK and external groups use GW events to constrain H_0 using bright and dark sirens.
- ❖ Result still dominated by GW170817.

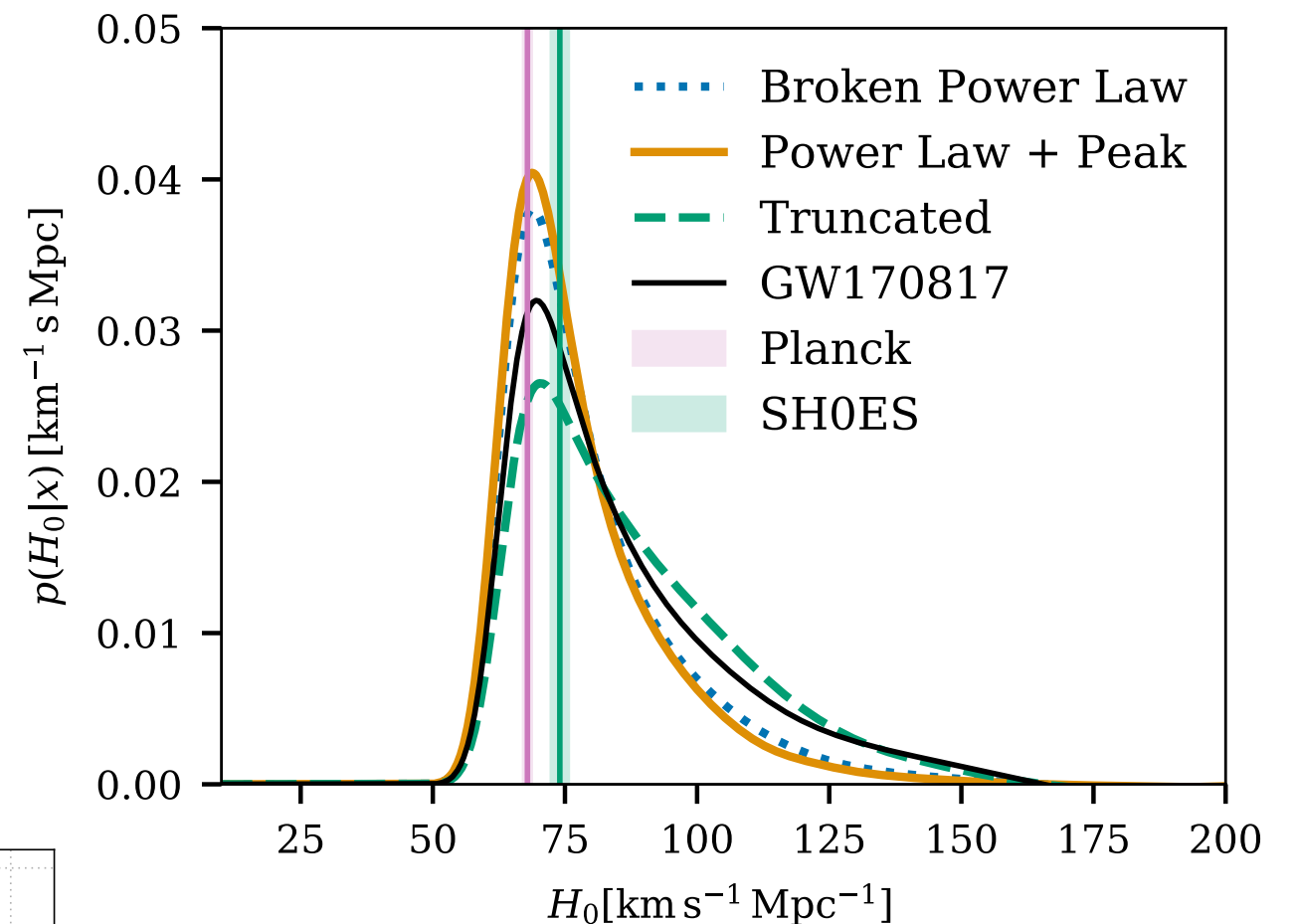
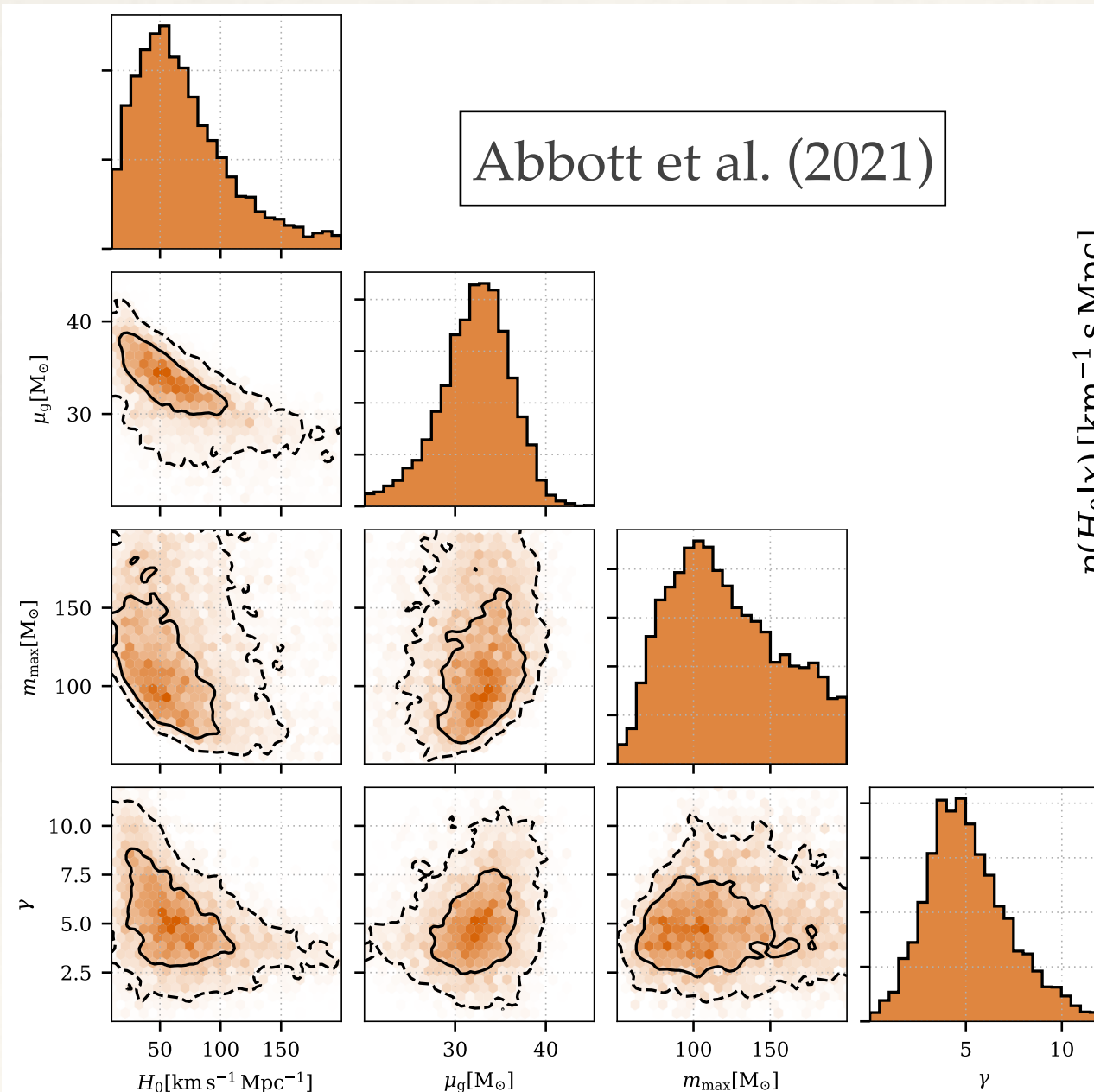


Abbott et al. (2021)



Standard siren cosmology

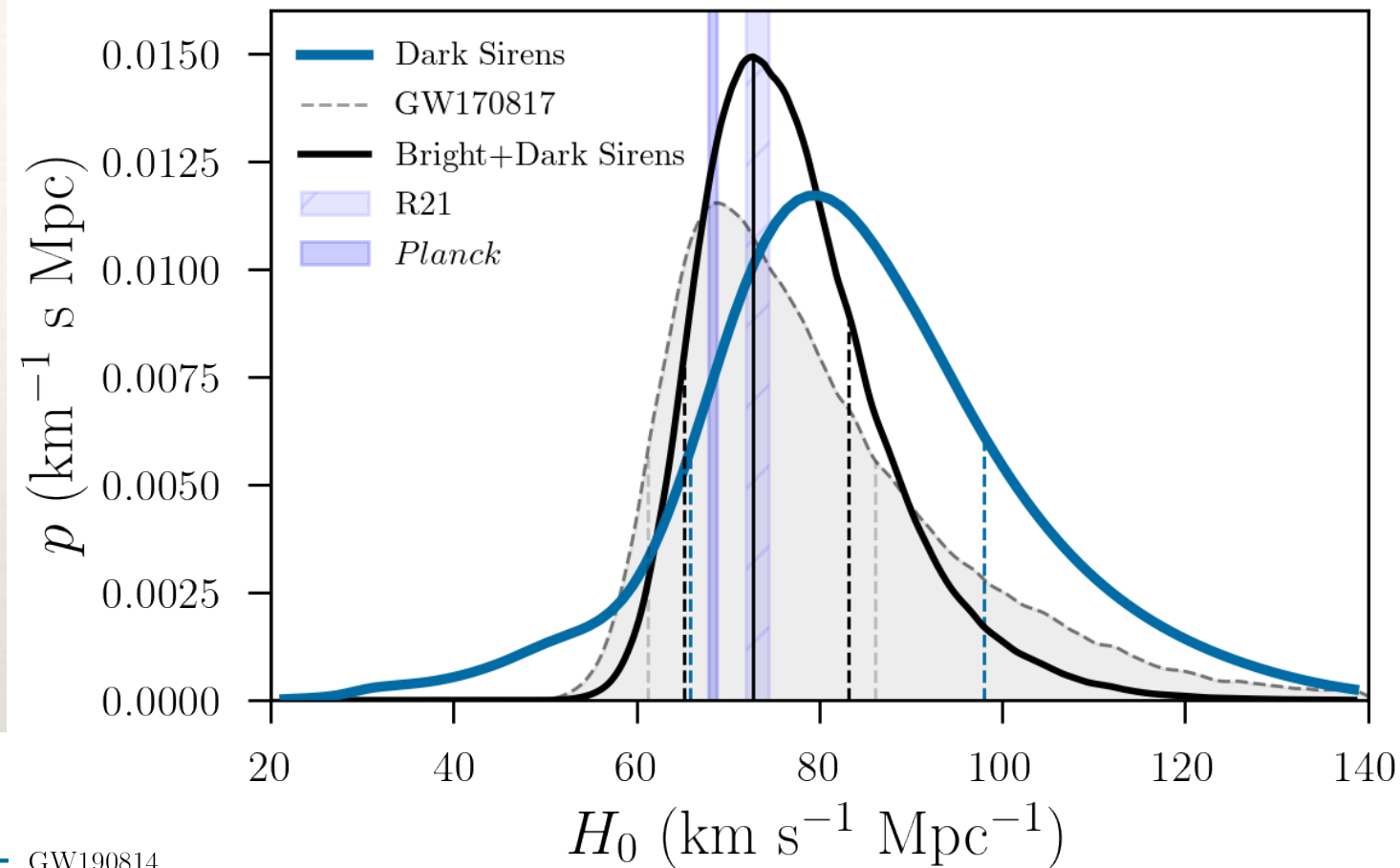
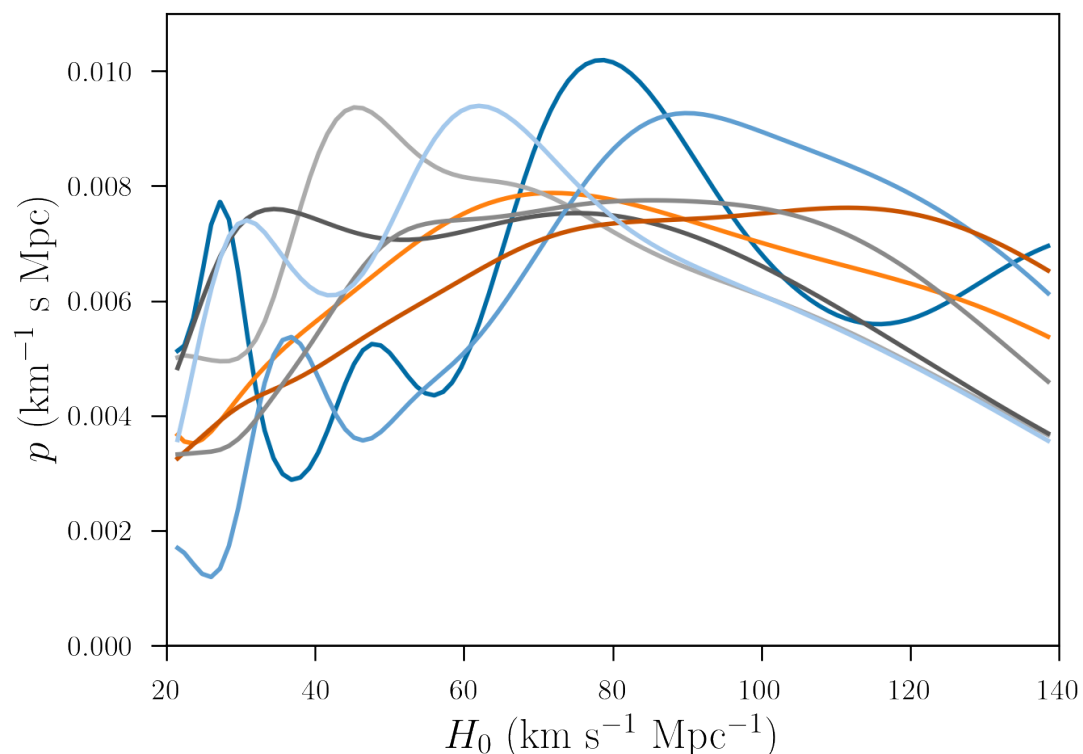
- ❖ Even less information in dark sirens when accounting for uncertainties in population model.



$$H_0 = 68^{+12}_{-8} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

Standard siren cosmology

- ❖ With better galaxy catalogues (e.g., from DES) can get more information from dark sirens, but bright sirens much more robust.
- ❖ Need more counterpart events!

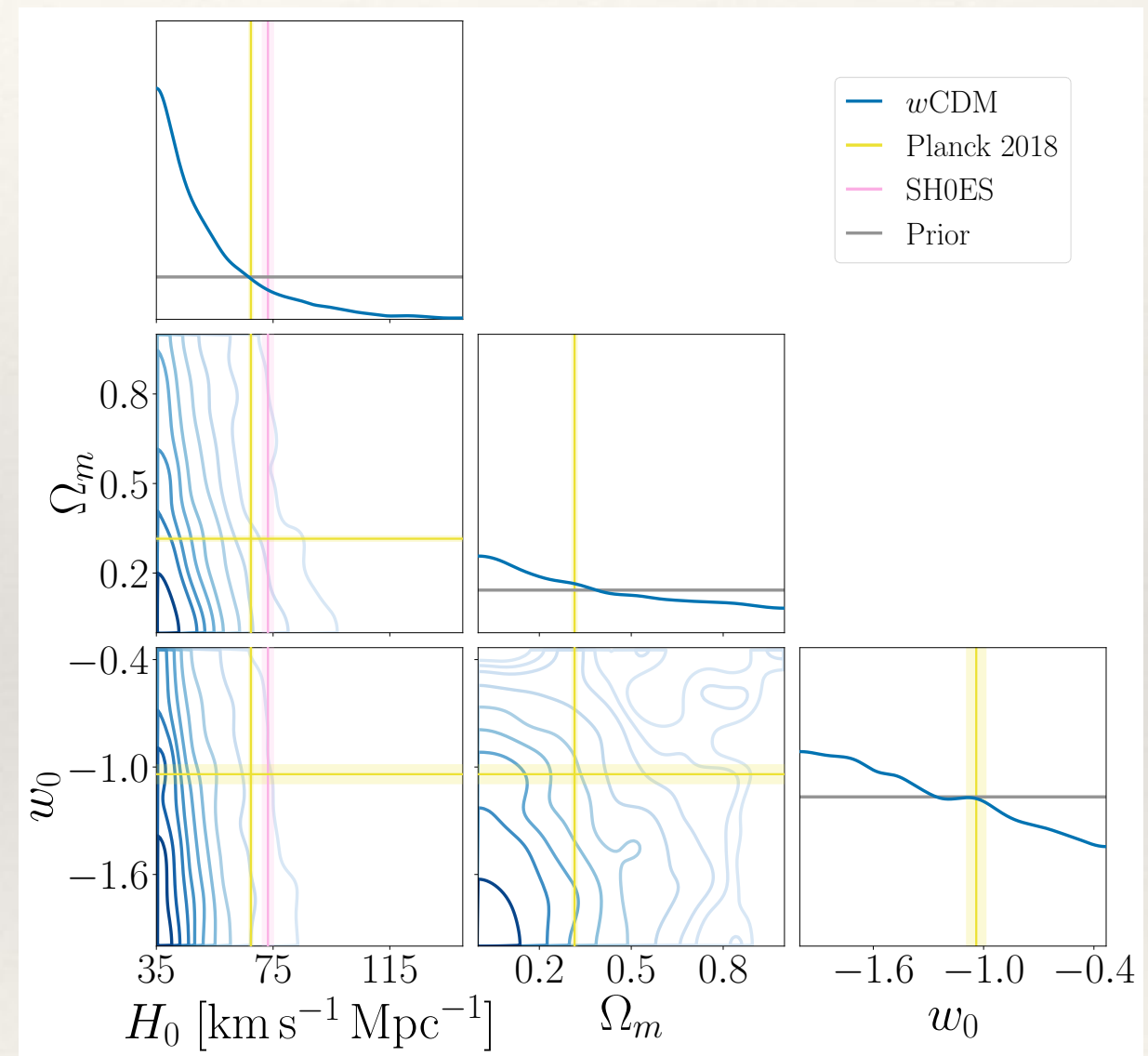
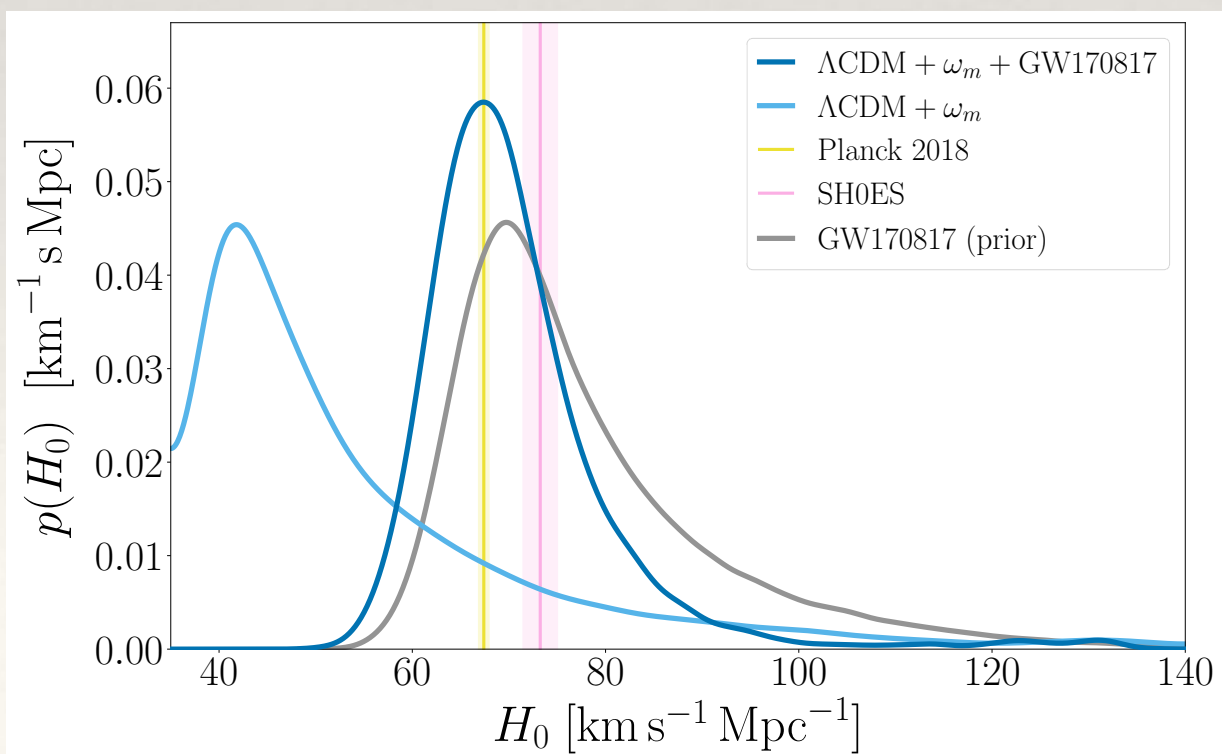


$$H_0 = 72.77^{+11}_{-7.55} \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$$

Palmese et al. (2021)

High mass BBH counterparts (?)

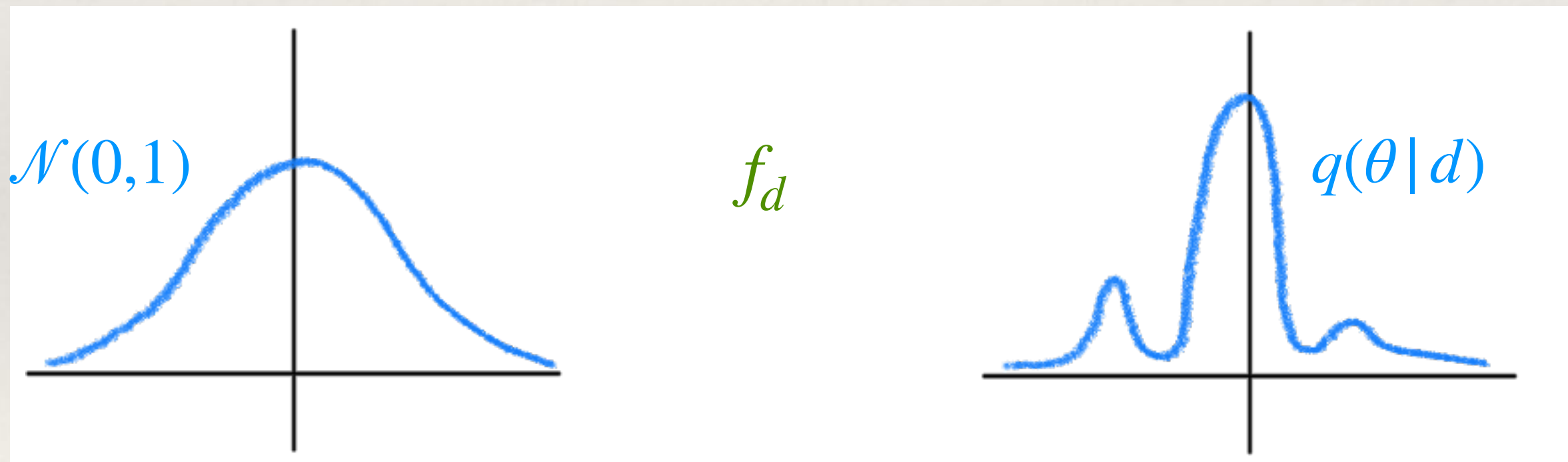
- ❖ Could also see more high-mass BBH events with possible counterparts, like GW190521.
- ❖ If these are real associations, the events can be used for cosmology, as well as providing insights into BBH formation.



Chen+ (2021)

Rapid and robust PE: DINGO

- ❖ In O4 we will start to use DINGO for parameter estimation.
- ❖ This is a machine learning framework that can directly generate samples from the posterior distribution given input data.
- ❖ It represents the posterior via a *normalising flow*, i.e., a mapping to a Normal distribution.

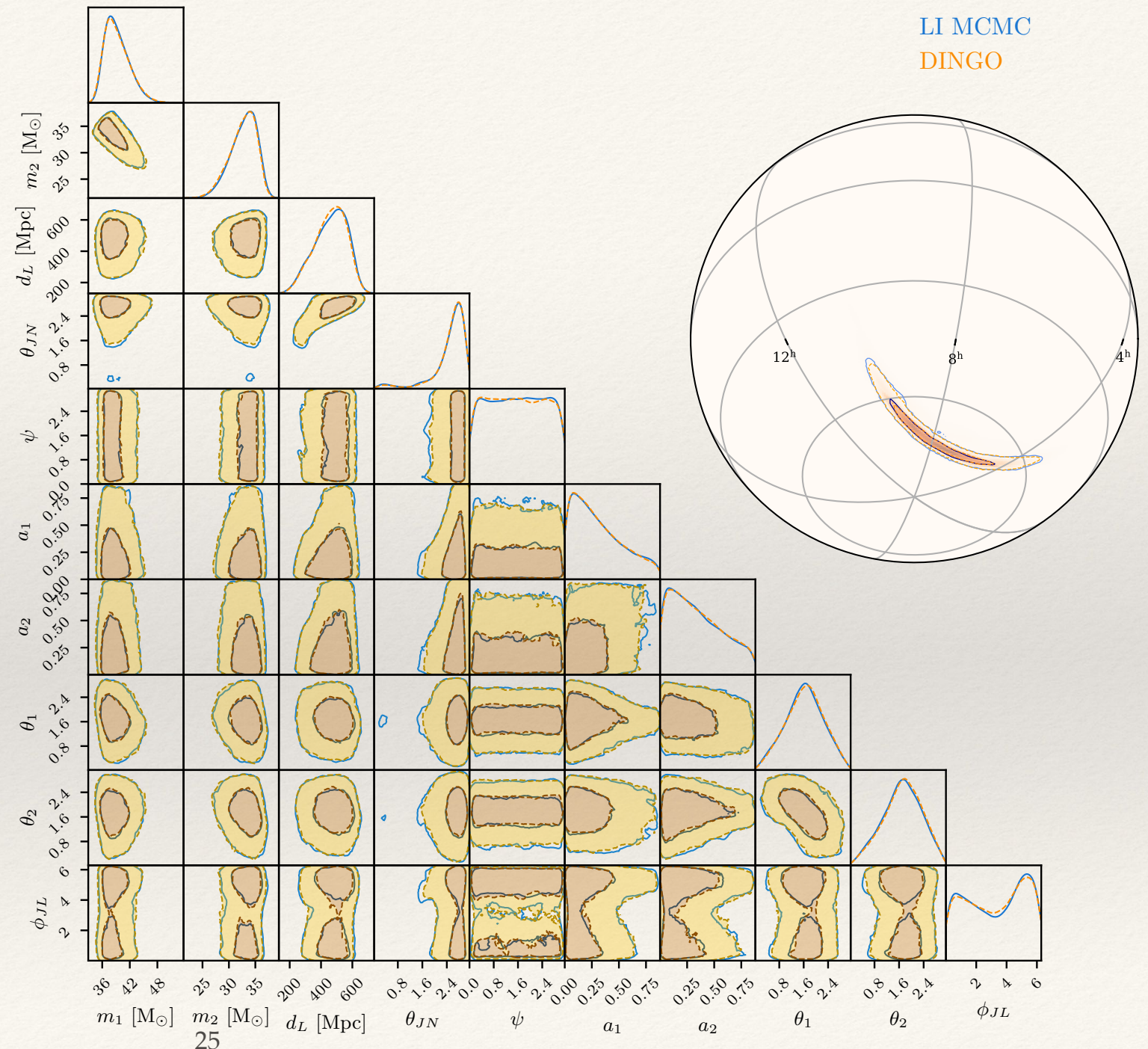


- ❖ Allows inference in O(seconds). Posterior distributions are near-indistinguishable from those produced via standard methods. Also have DINGO-IS that uses importance sampling to correct the final results (slower, O(hours)).

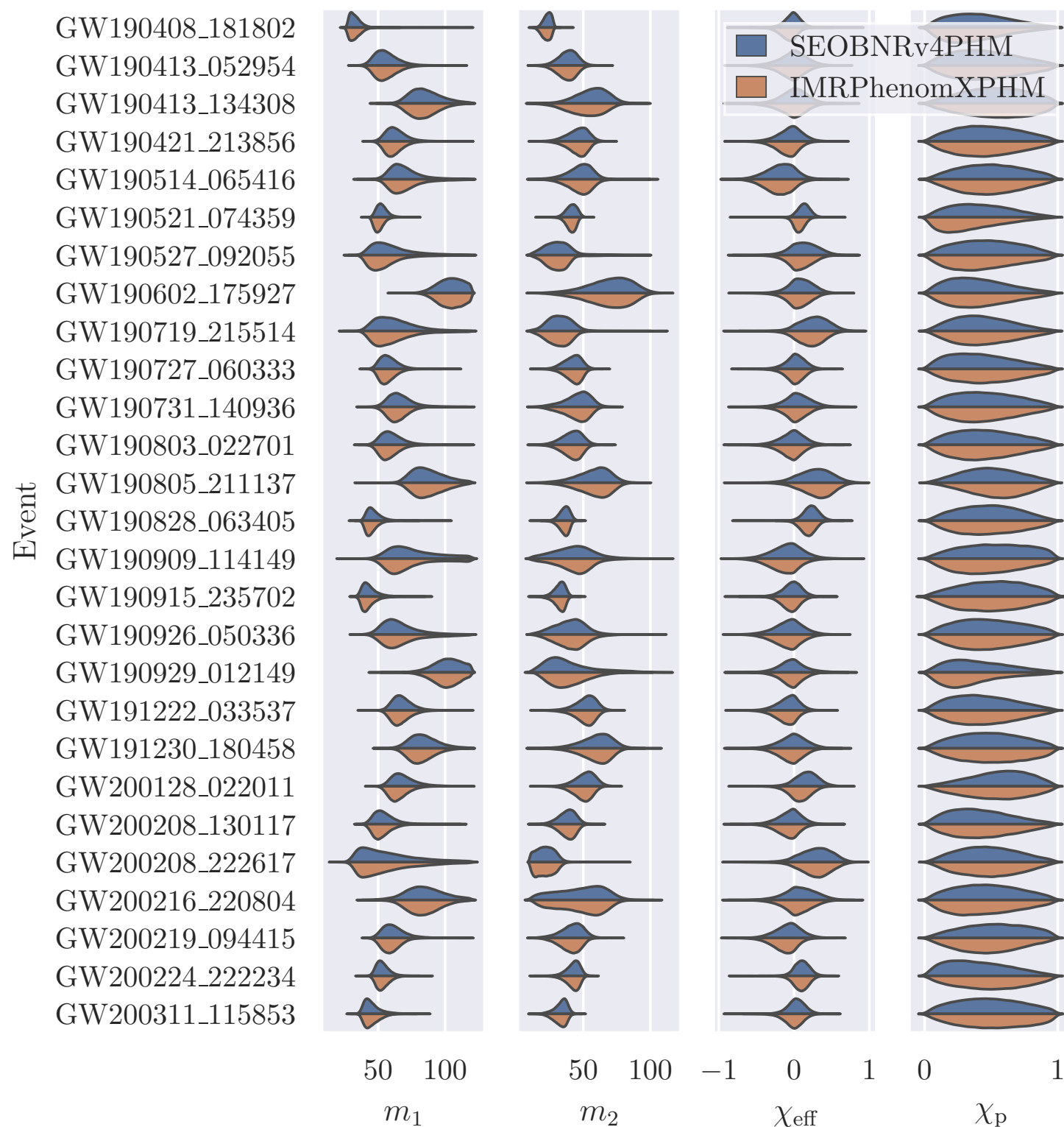
DINGO performance

GW150914

- ❖ Much better agreement with standard samplers using GNPE.
- ❖ Quantitatively indistinguishable in many cases.



DINGO performance: 03 events



- ❖ DINGO allows the use of the most expensive waveform models in parameter estimation.
- ❖ At present, have working implementations for BBH systems with component masses > 10 solar masses.
- ❖ Working to extend into BNS and NSBH regime.
- ❖ Long term goal: rapid and robust PE for use in low-latency.

Summary

- ❖ O4 will start on May 24th and run for 18 months, over a period of 20 months.
- ❖ O4 will start with slightly better sensitivity than O3, and BNS range could reach 170 Mpc later in the run.
- ❖ Expect a few BNS and NSBH detections over the duration of O4.
- ❖ Alerts will be sent out. You should expect these alerts with a rate of:
 - **one per day** (Significant gravitational-wave alerts) - based on expected rate of real GW alerts
 - **two per day** (Low Significance gravitational-wave alerts) - based on new threshold
- ❖ Exciting prospects for further multi messenger events, with many applications including cosmology.
- ❖ Various new data analysis methods will be trialled for the first time in O4, include rapid parameter inference using DINGO.