Third Release of the RIT Gravitational Wave Catalog and Applications

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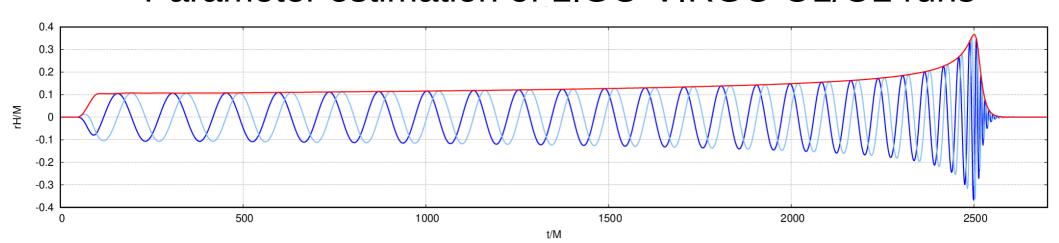
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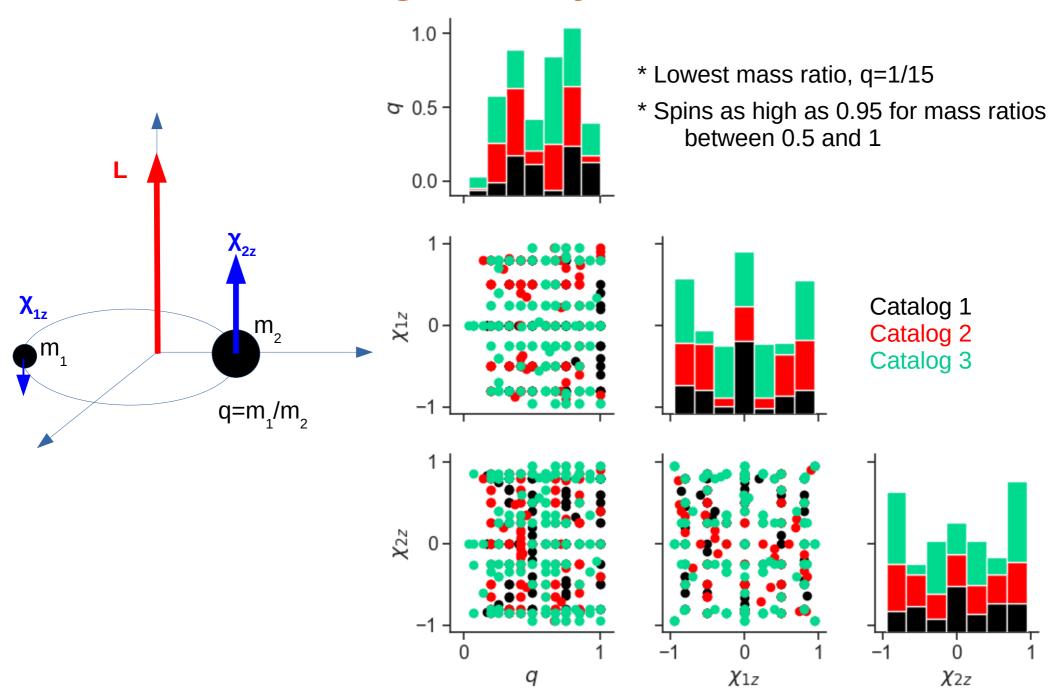


Introduction

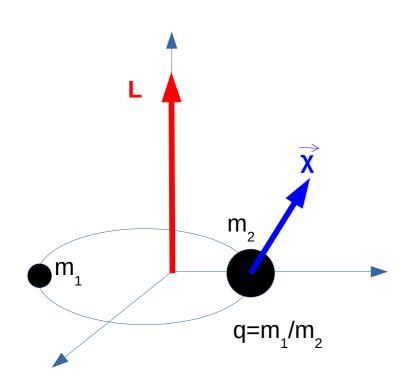
- https://ccrgpages.rit.edu/~RITCatalog
- 777 waveforms: 477 Aligned, 300 Precessing
- Ψ_4 ASCII tarball & Strain LVCNR hdf5 format
- Center-of-mass correction
- Applications
 - Relationships between final state parameters
 - Parameter estimation of LIGO-VIRGO 01/02 runs

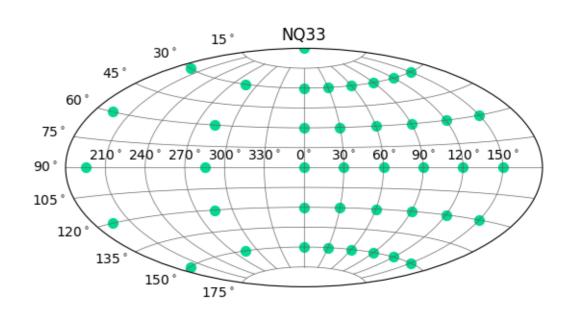


Aligned Systems



Precessing Systems

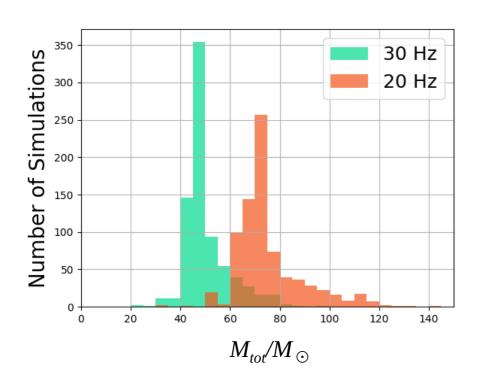


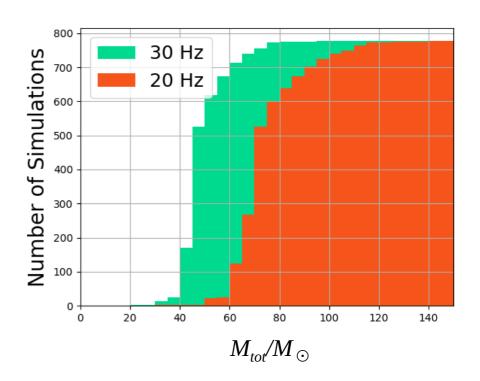


- * One BH spinning
- * Either large or small
- * Continuous q: q<1 if large BH is spinning q>1 if small BH is spinning

- * Spin magnitude fixed at 0.8
- * Vary spin angles, θ and ϕ
- * Typical coverage for a given q
- * 9 q's between 0.2 and 2.0

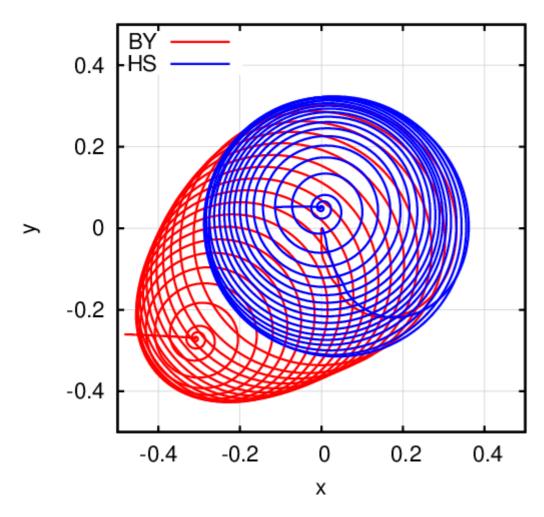
Waveform Duration





- * Majority of simulations have a starting frequency of 30Hz at $50M_{\odot}$
- * For 20Hz, that increases to $75M_{\odot}$

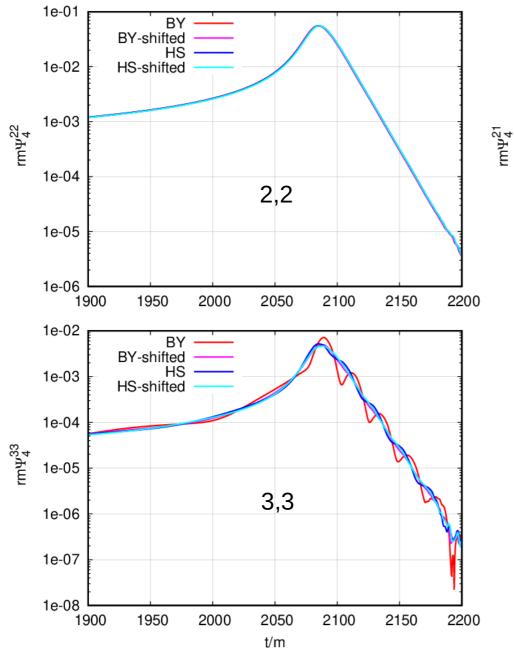
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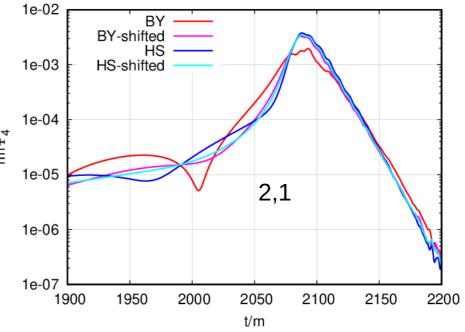


- * Initial data contains some junk radiation
- * Can impart a recoil velocity to the center of mass
- * Waveform extraction assumes center-of-mass at the origin
- * Manifests as oscillations in the modes

* We apply a correction to the individual modes in post-processing

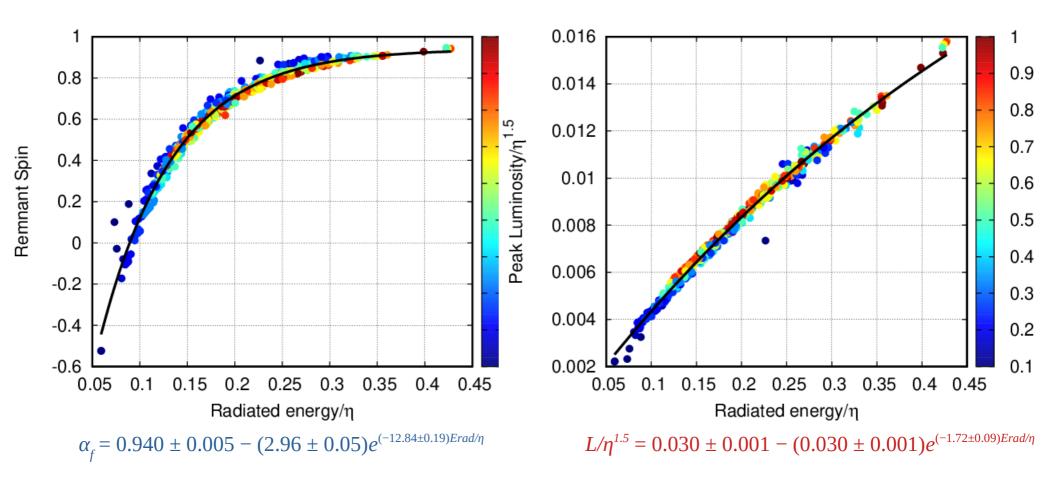
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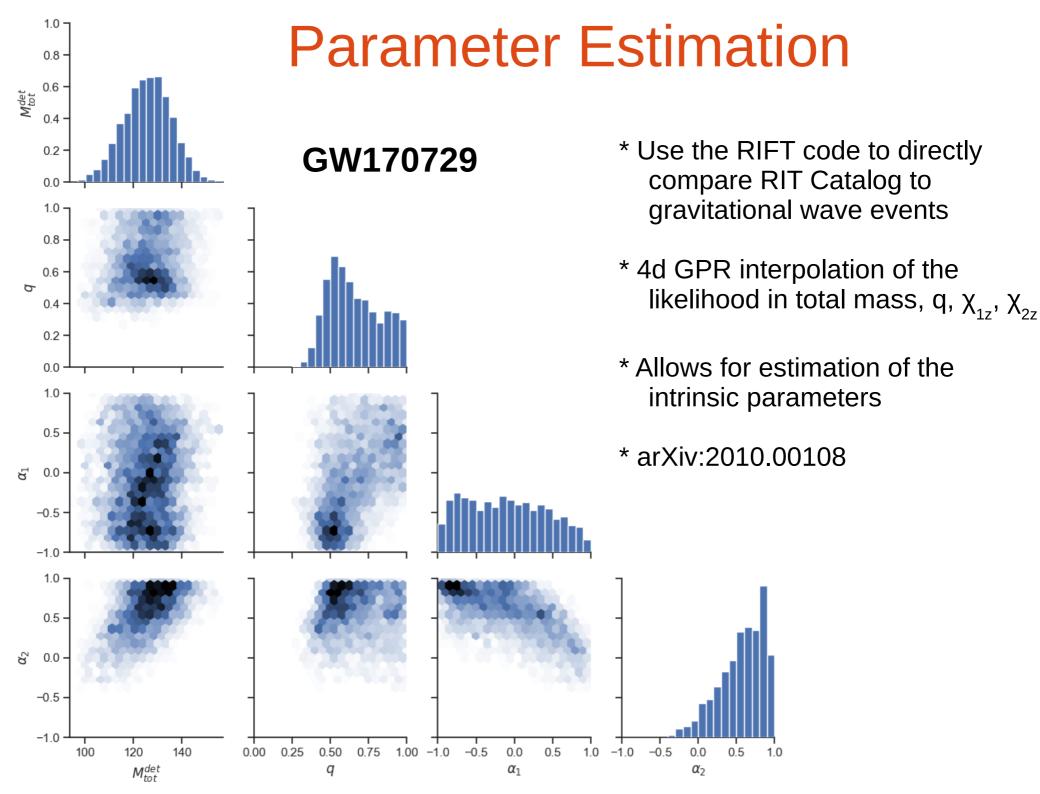


- * BY = Bowen York
- * HS = High Spin Initial Data (lower junk radiation content)
- * shifted = CoM correction applied
- * 2,2 mode unaffected
- * For higher modes, oscillations are reduced in BY-shifted to HS and HS-shifted levels.

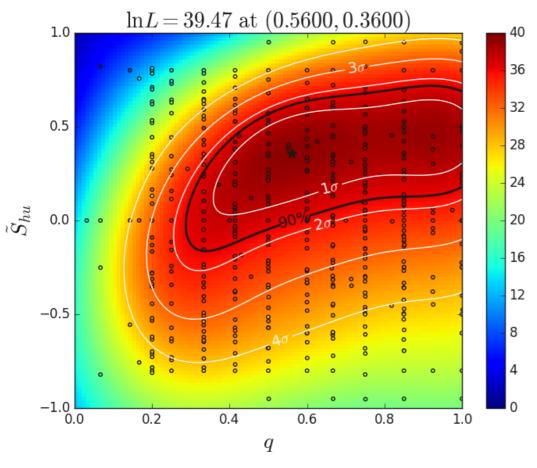
Final State Correlations



^{*} Reanalyzed peak radiation and remnant properties in bulk to find simple correlations between quantities



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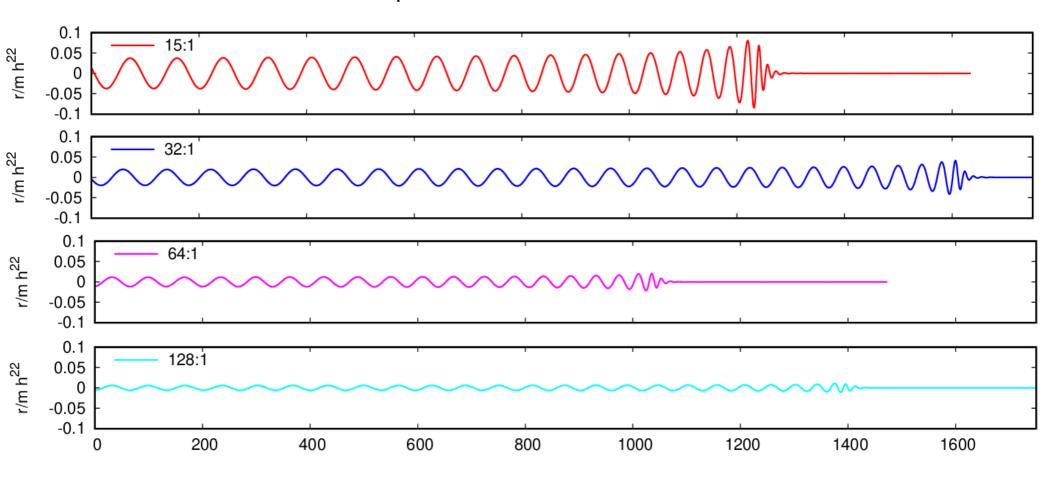


- * Small mass ratios, q < 0.2
- * High spins
- * Eccentric waveforms

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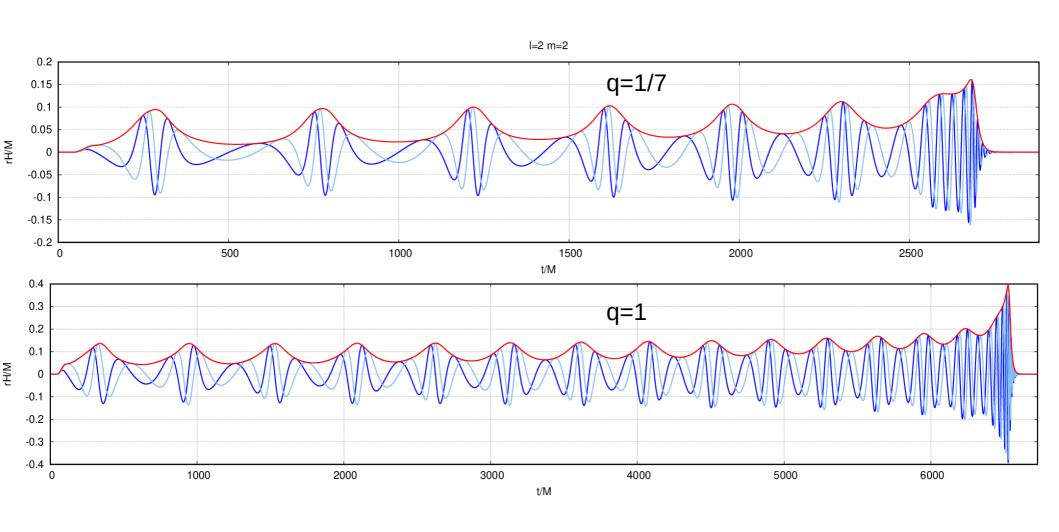
Small Mass Ratios

- * arxiv:2007.07910
- * Nonspinning simulations up to q = 1/128
- * Very expensive computationally Investigating gauge choices and optimizing refinement in time and space



Eccentric Waveforms

* All current catalog simulations have low eccentricity, e~1e-3



Conclusion

- 777 waveforms in third release of RIT Catalog
- Available to download $\Psi_{\scriptscriptstyle A}$ and/or Strain
 - https://ccrgpages.rit.edu/~RITCatalog
- Applications in bulk analysis and parameter estimation
- Future releases will include small mass ratio systems and eccentric systems