

Astrophysical Signal Injection Studies During the E6 & E7 Runs

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Signal Injection Mechanics

Uses the LIGO Global Diagnostics System's "arbitrary waveform generator"

awg process runs on a front-end processor

Can add an excitation waveform at various points in the servo system

"awgstream" client utility sends waveforms to awg

Runs on any workstation in the control room

Reads waveform from an ASCII file of arbitrary length

Streams data to awg in 1-second blocks, with buffering

Actual injection is synchronized to GPS clock

There is also a C library interface

Could be used by a program which calculates a waveform on-the-fly

Have to weight waveform by f^2 to account for pendulum

Signal Injections During E6 / E7

Have been injecting into servo output signal sent to ETMX

E6: Inspirals into L1

$1.4 + 1.4 M_{\odot}$

E7: Inspirals into L1+H1 simultaneously

Several mass combinations from $1.4 + 1.4$ to $7.4 + 2.7 M_{\odot}$

Correlated noise into L1+H1 simultaneously

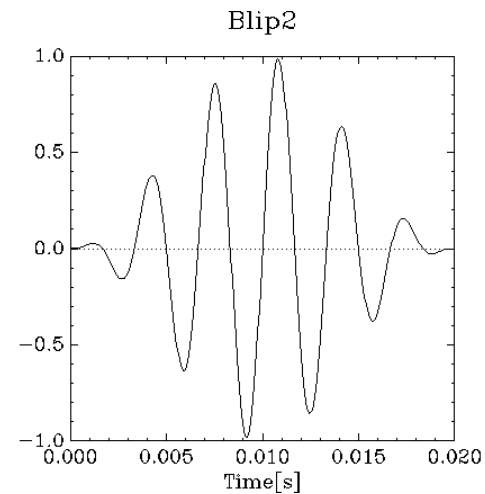
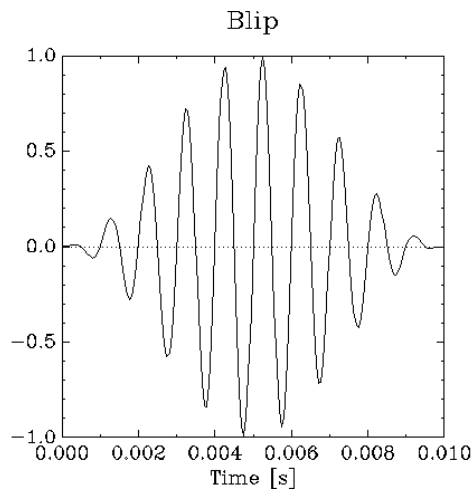
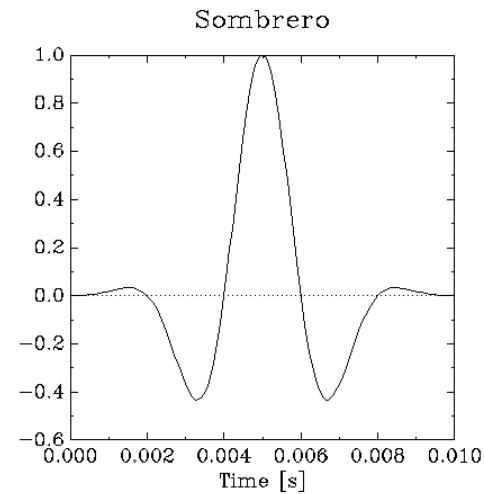
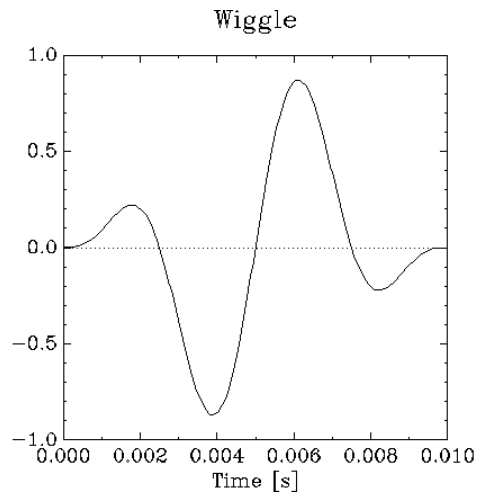
512 seconds long

Bursts into L1+H1, L1+H2 simultaneously

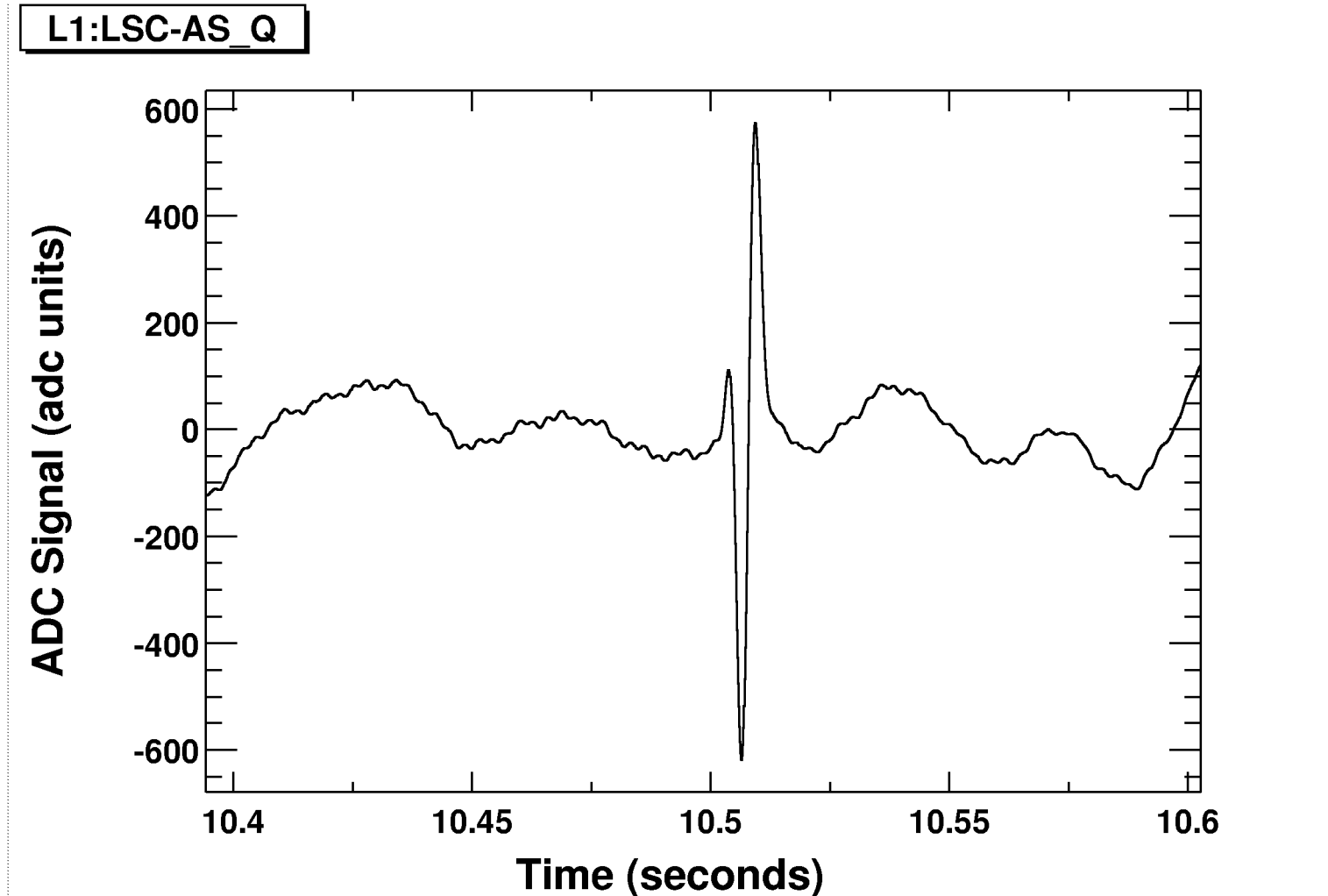
Four different “toy” waveforms



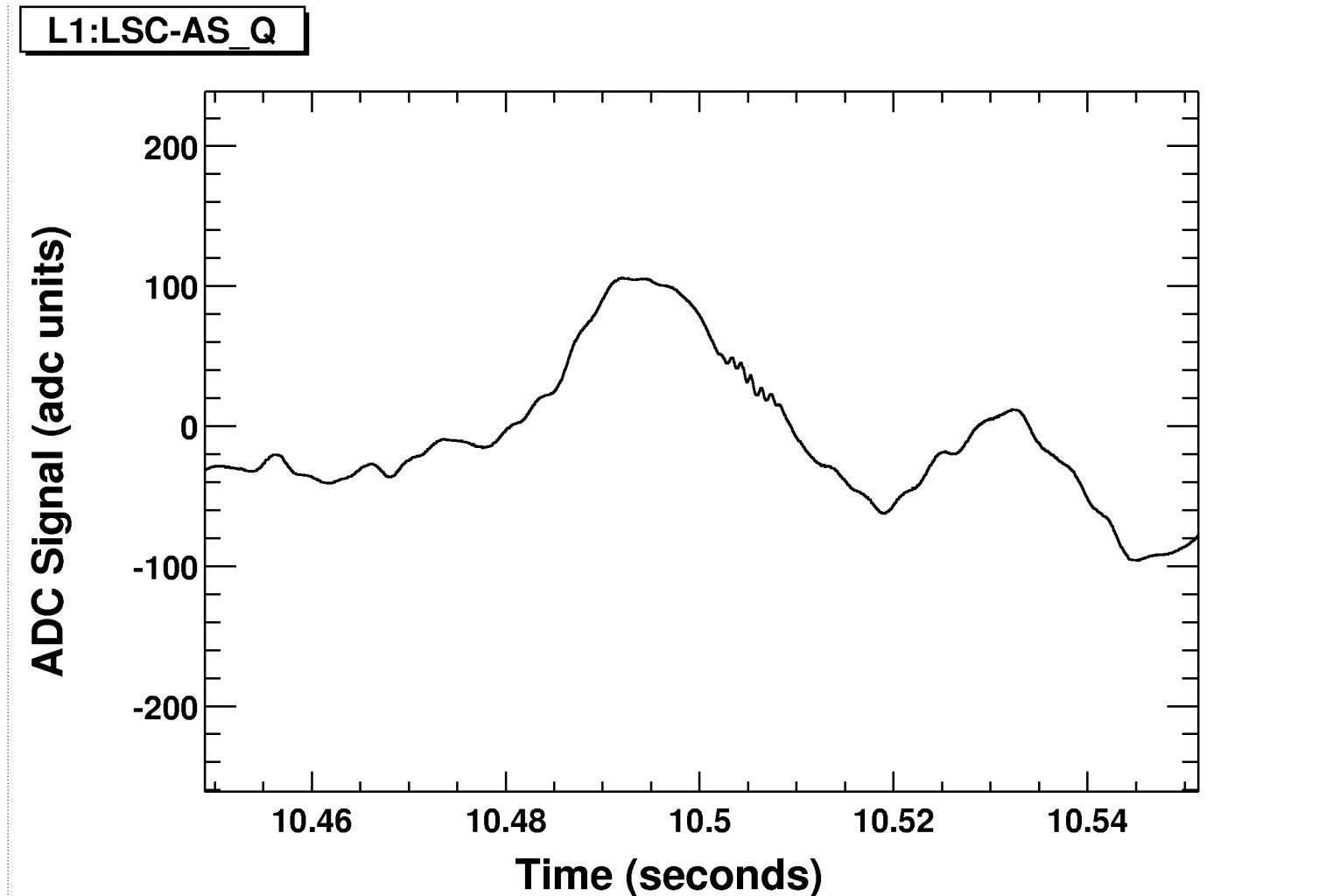
Simulated Burst Waveforms



“Wiggle” Waveform in Data



“Blip” Waveform in Data



Analysis of Data Containing Injected Signals

Inspiral

Duncan Brown has processed E7 data from H1 using the `findchirp` search code in LDAS

Rough study so far (wrong response function; selected template params)

Succeeds in finding chirps at roughly the right times

Burst

John Zweizig compared L1 injection times against DMT “Glitch” triggers on AS_Q; DMT found “sombbrero” and “wiggle” waveforms, but not “blip”

No offline analysis so far

Stochastic

No analysis so far

Summary

Signal injection software worked well

Analysis of E7 data is ongoing

`awgstream` utility is available for general use

C library interface could be used to inject simulated signals from periodic sources, sequences of bursts, etc.

There should be a proper “how-to” guide, but there isn’t yet