

#### Incorporating Time Delay and Magnification Distributions Predicted by Strong Lens Models into Ranking Possible Sub-threshold, Strongly Lensed Candidates

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#### Strong Gravitational Lensing of Gravitational Waves



#### <u>Key Points:</u>

- 1. Results in a pair of lensed gravitational waves (GWs)
- 2. These have different paths/path-lengths:
  a. Causes some variation in measurements

## What the Detectors See



#### <u>Key Points:</u>

- Pair of lensed GWs identical apart from: a. Amplitude (Signal-to-Noise
  - Ratio, SNR)
  - b. Arrival Time
  - c. Morse Phase (not shown)
- Only detect GW with larger amplitude (super-threshold)





### Why Search for Subthreshold Events?







Must exist given equivalence principle New way of charting the universe's dark matter distribution; Constrains Hubble constant Constrain GW parameters like redshift and chirp mass, Joint parameter estimation

#### Finding Gravitational Wave Signal in the Noise

$$\mathcal{L} = rac{\mathrm{P}(ec{O},ec{D_{H}},ec{
ho},ec{\xi^{2}},[\Deltaec{t},\Deltaec{\phi}]|\mathrm{signal})}{\mathrm{P}(ec{O},ec{D_{H}},ec{
ho},ec{\xi^{2}},[\Deltaec{t},\Deltaec{\phi}]|\mathrm{noise})} imes rac{\mathrm{P}(ec{ heta}|\mathrm{signal})}{\mathrm{P}(ec{ heta}|\mathrm{noise})}$$

- $ec{O}$  : participating detectors
- $\vec{D}_H$ : horizon distances for each detector (or sensitivity)
- $\vec{
  ho}$  : matched-filter signal-to-noise ratio
- $\xi^2$  : auto-correlation based signal consistency test values
- $\Delta t$  and  $\Delta ec{\phi}$  :time and phase delay between coincident events



 $P(A|B) \propto \mathcal{L}(B|A) \times p(A)$ 



Conditional Probability





$$\mathrm{h}^{lensed}(f,ar{ heta},\mu,\Delta t,\Delta\phi)=\sqrt{\mu} imes\mathrm{h}^{original}(f,ar{ heta},\Delta t) imes\mathrm{exp}(i\mathrm{sign}(f)\Delta\phi)$$

Types of Lens Models

Point Mass

# Sphere (SIS)

Singular Isothermal

#### Singular Isothermal Ellipsoid (SIE)

Navarro-Frenk-White (NFW)



Credit: NASA/CXC/UCI/A Lewis et al

...Plus many more!

#### Finding Lensed Signals using Registered Gravitational Waves



The Prior Odds



#### <u>Key Points:</u>

- 1. Prior Odds = Expected Rate of Strong Lensing
- Have informed priors

   Lensing rate
   depends on redshift
- 3. Value very small, between 10<sup>-3</sup> and 10<sup>-4</sup>

# The Likelihood Ratio (or Bayes Factor) $\mathcal{L}_{NL}^{L} = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\Delta t, \mu | \text{lensed})}{\mathcal{L}(\Delta t, \mu | \text{not lensed})}$ $\frac{\text{Key Point(s):}}{\text{L}(\Delta t, \mu | \text{not lensed})}$ Probability Density for Time Delay Probability Density for Time Delay

Magnification



#### Finding the Time Delay/Magnification Probability Density Function



#### Key Points:

- Use sample data to obtain probability density functions
  - a. Gaussian kernel density estimation
- 2. Depends on lens model

#### Combined Probability Density Function

Time Delay and Magnification Probability Density Function for Type 1, Type 2 Lensed Pairs



#### Key Points:

- 1. Smooth, bivariate probability density function
- 2. Gives the numerator of the likelihood ratio

### Understanding the denominator

 $\mathrm{P}(\Delta t,\mu|\mathrm{not\ lensed}) = \mathrm{P}(\Delta t|\mathrm{not\ lensed}) imes \mathrm{P}(\mu|\mathrm{not\ lensed})$ 

T<sub>obs</sub> = live time of the detector(s)

$$\mathrm{P}(\mu|\mathrm{not} \ \mathrm{lensed}) = \left(rac{d_L^a}{d_L^b}
ight)$$

- 1. Rejection sampling used with redshift as a model
- 2. Uses relationship between magnification and luminosity distance

# When does the Likelihood become Significant?

Here is the traditional standard:



Future injections will help us determine an appropriate threshold.











#### Key Point:

1. Goal: Find events with higher lensing likelihoods



Determine threshold with non-lensed injections

**Better Calculations** 

Implement into O4b

Non-lensed Signal Model Event Count vs. Ranking Statistic Threshold  $10^{4}$ Observed ---- Noise Model  $\langle N \rangle$  $10^{3}$  $\pm \sqrt{\langle N \rangle}$  $\mathcal{T}$  In the second s  $\pm 2\sqrt{\langle N \rangle}$  $10^2$  $\pm 3\sqrt{\langle N \rangle}$  $10^{1}$  $10^{0}$  $10^{-2}$  $10^{-3}$ 10 2030 40 50 $\ln \mathcal{L}$  Threshold

New "noise" curve:



- ✤ Alvin Li
- ✤ Alan Weinstein
- LIGO
- Caltech Student-Faculty Programs
- National Science Foundation
- Everyone involved! :)





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