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Gravitational Wave Cosmology in the age of wide-field spectroscopic surveys

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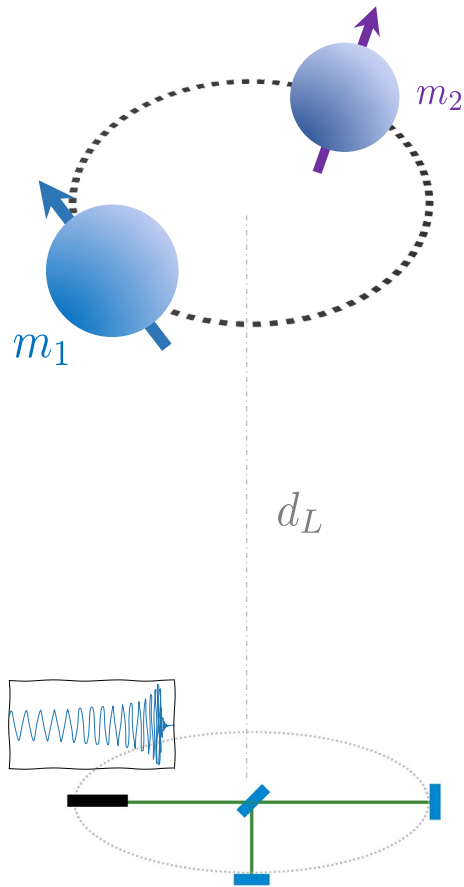
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Gravitational Wave Cosmology - BASICS



Direct measurement of the **luminosity distance** (“*standard sirens*”)
w/o additional calibrators (Schutz 1986)

$$h(t) \propto \frac{\mathcal{M}_z^{5/3} f(t)^{2/3}}{d_L} F_{+, \times}(\text{angles}) \cos(\phi(t))$$

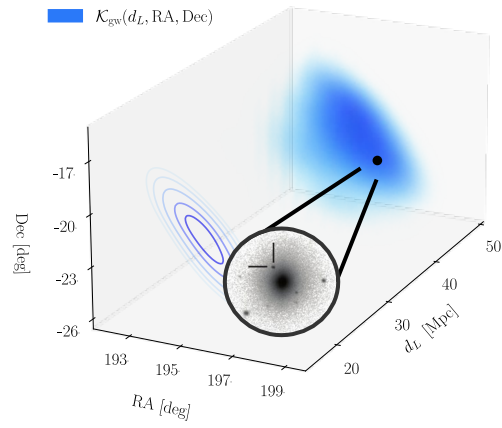
Cosmology via the distance-redshift relation
... but **no redshift** measurement with GW data alone (degen. with masses)

$$d_L^{\text{GW}}(z) = (1+z) \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{H(z'; \lambda_{\text{cosmo}})}$$

→ $\{H_0, \Omega_{m0}, w_0, \dots\}$

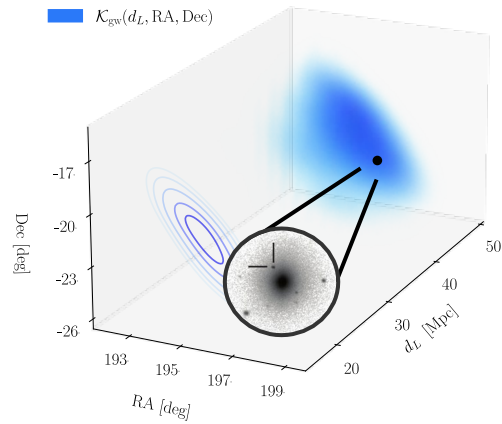
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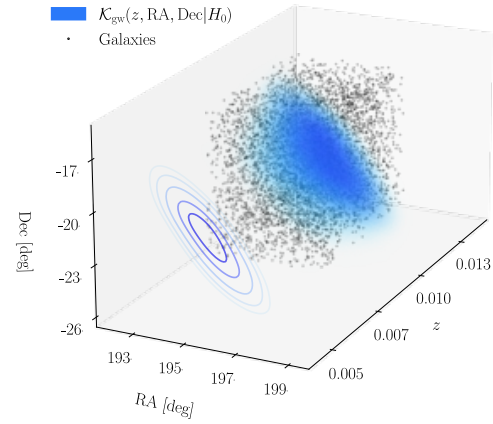


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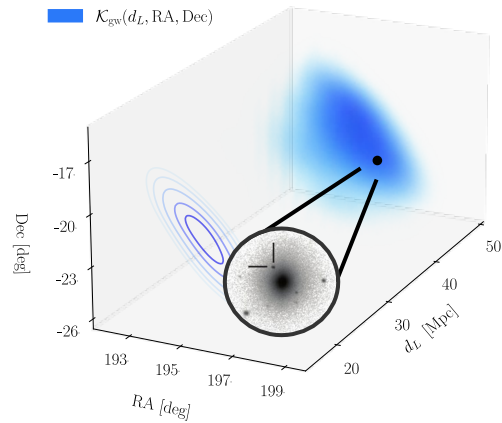


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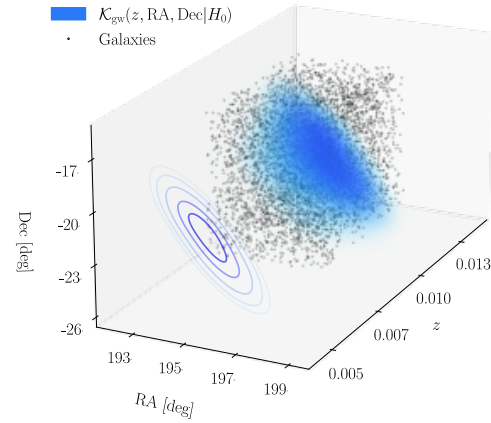


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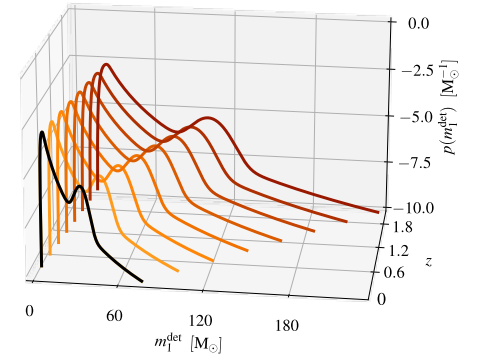
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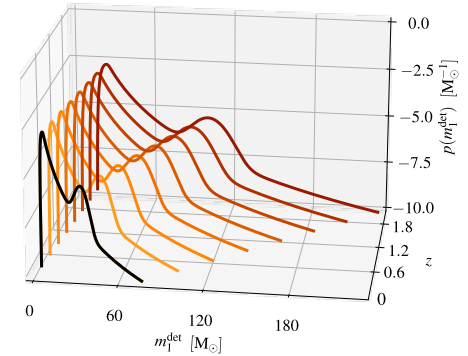
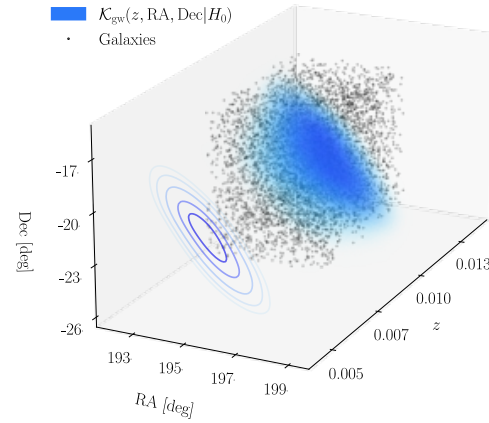
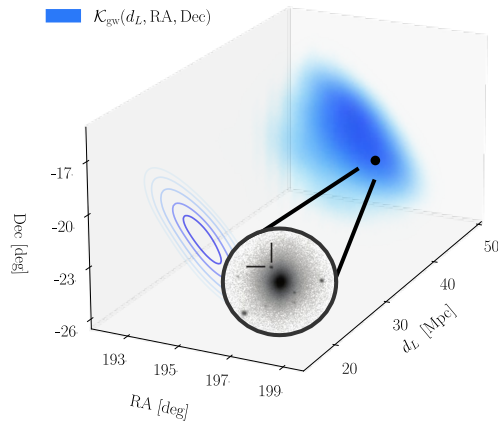


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New pipeline for joint astrophysical & cosmological constraints (Borghi et al. 2024, Tagliacruzchi et al. , *in prep*):

- State-of-the-art **forecasts** for future detectors and synergies with future galaxy surveys
- Study correlations with binary and galaxy properties and explore **systematics**
- **Parallelized** and capable to handle **large data sets**

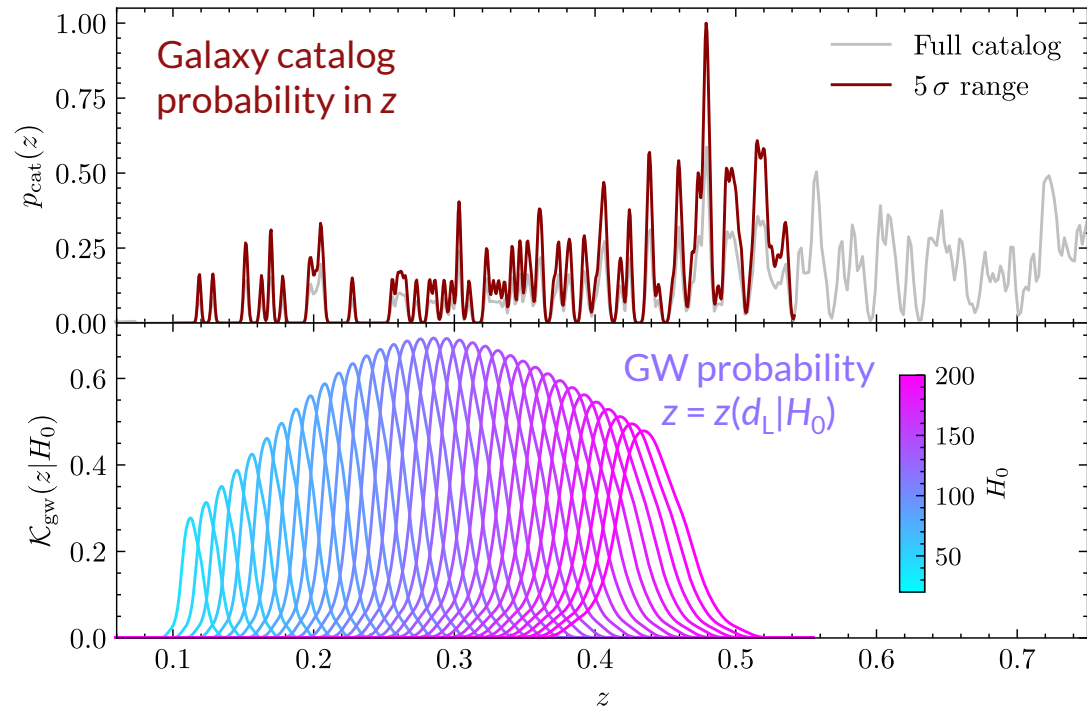
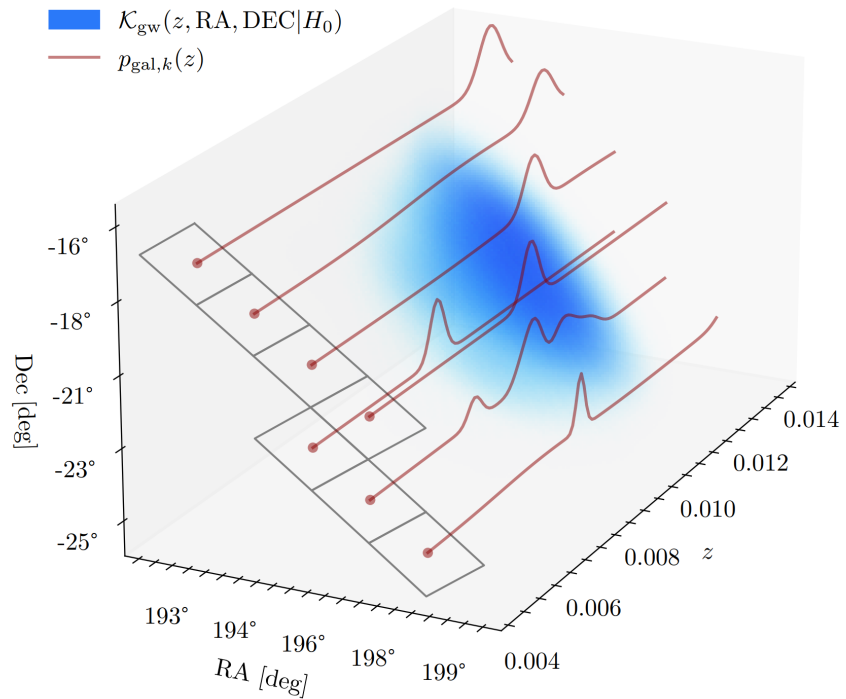
(see also *icarogw*, Mastrogiovanni et al. 2023 and *gwcsmo*, Gray et al. 2023)



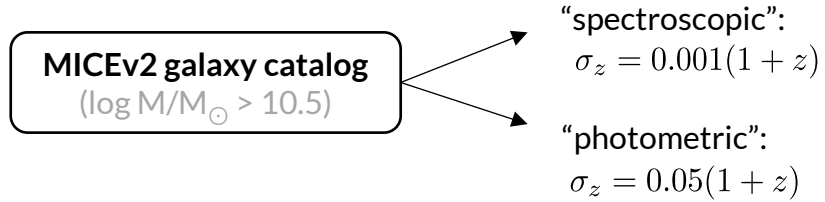
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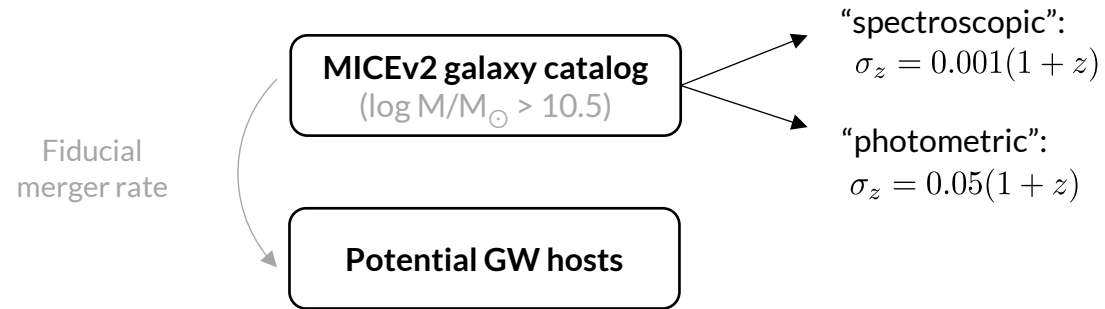
Gravitational Wave Cosmology – THE CONCEPT



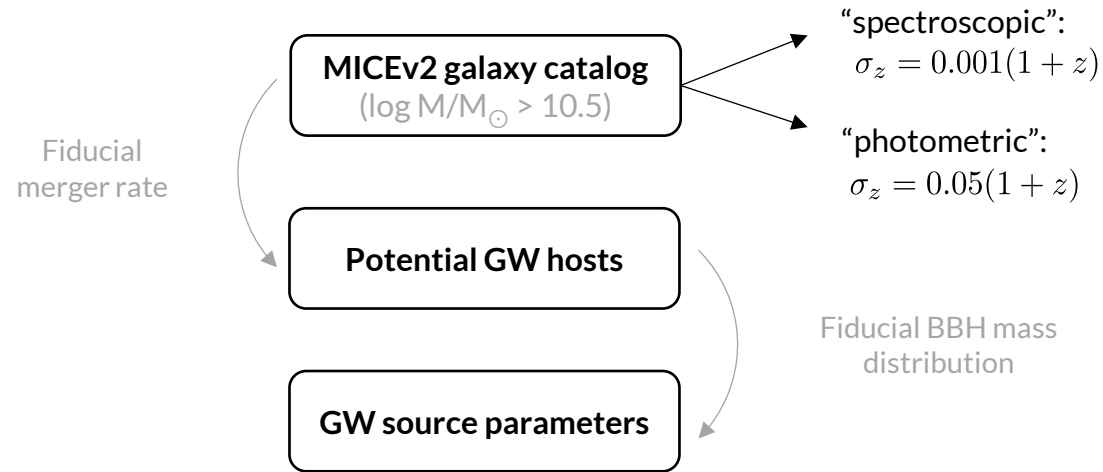
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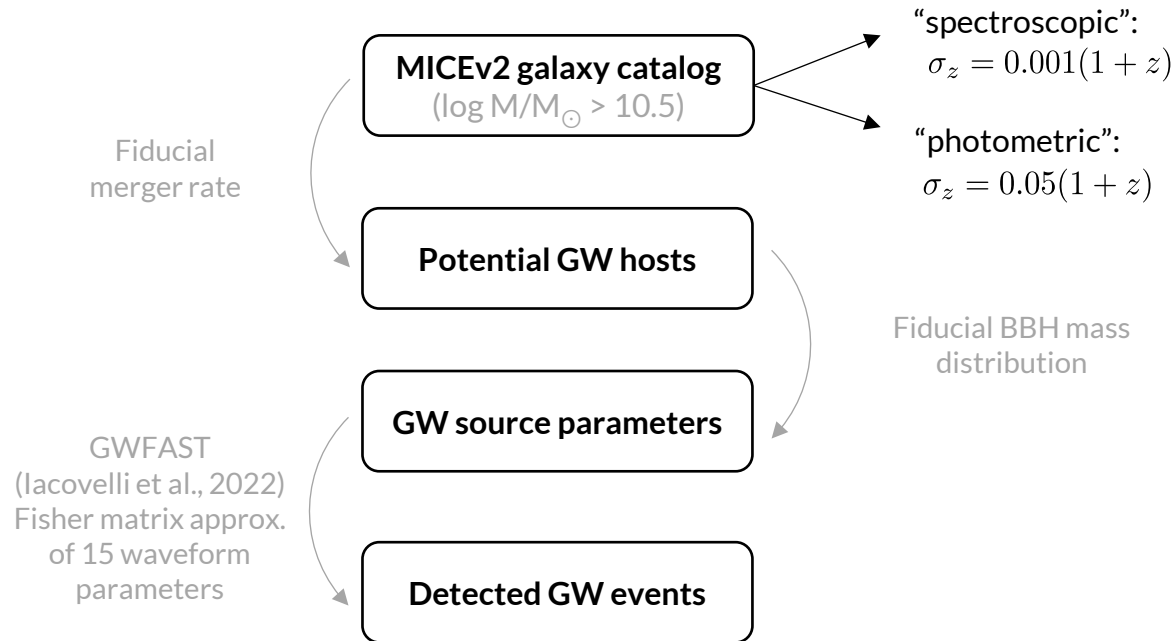
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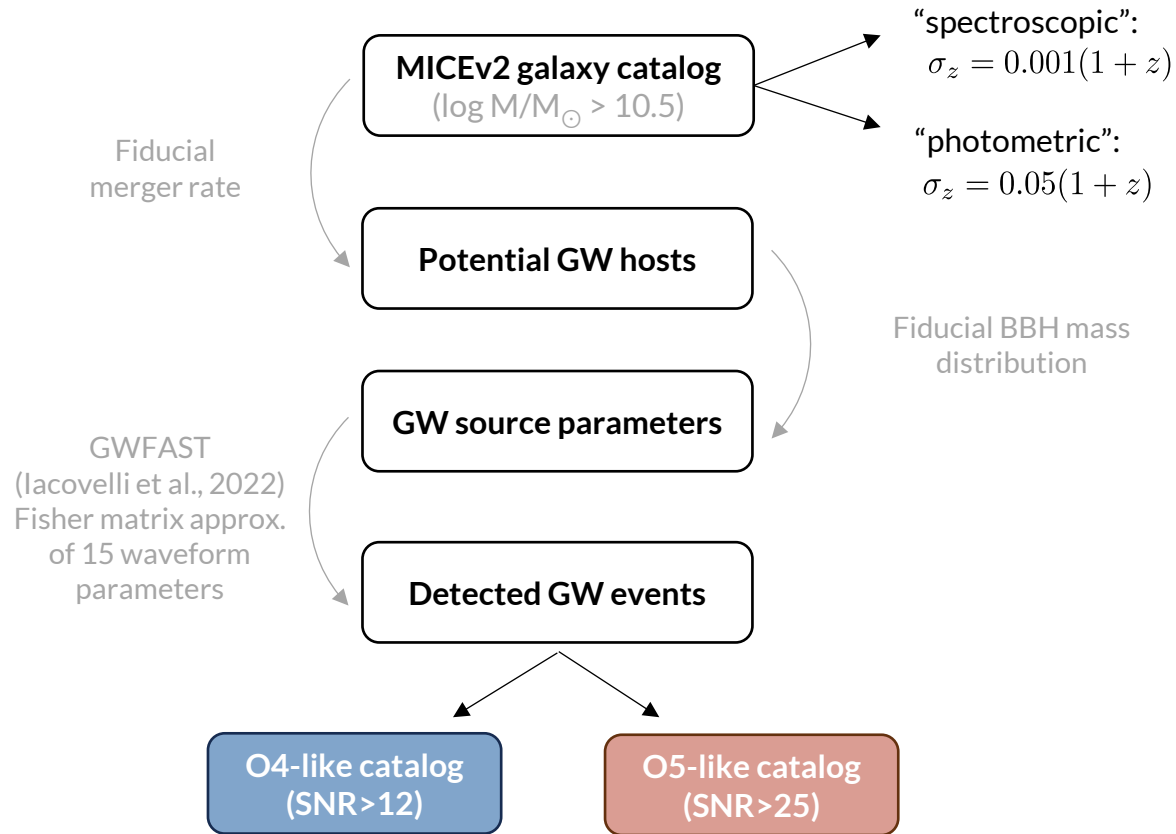
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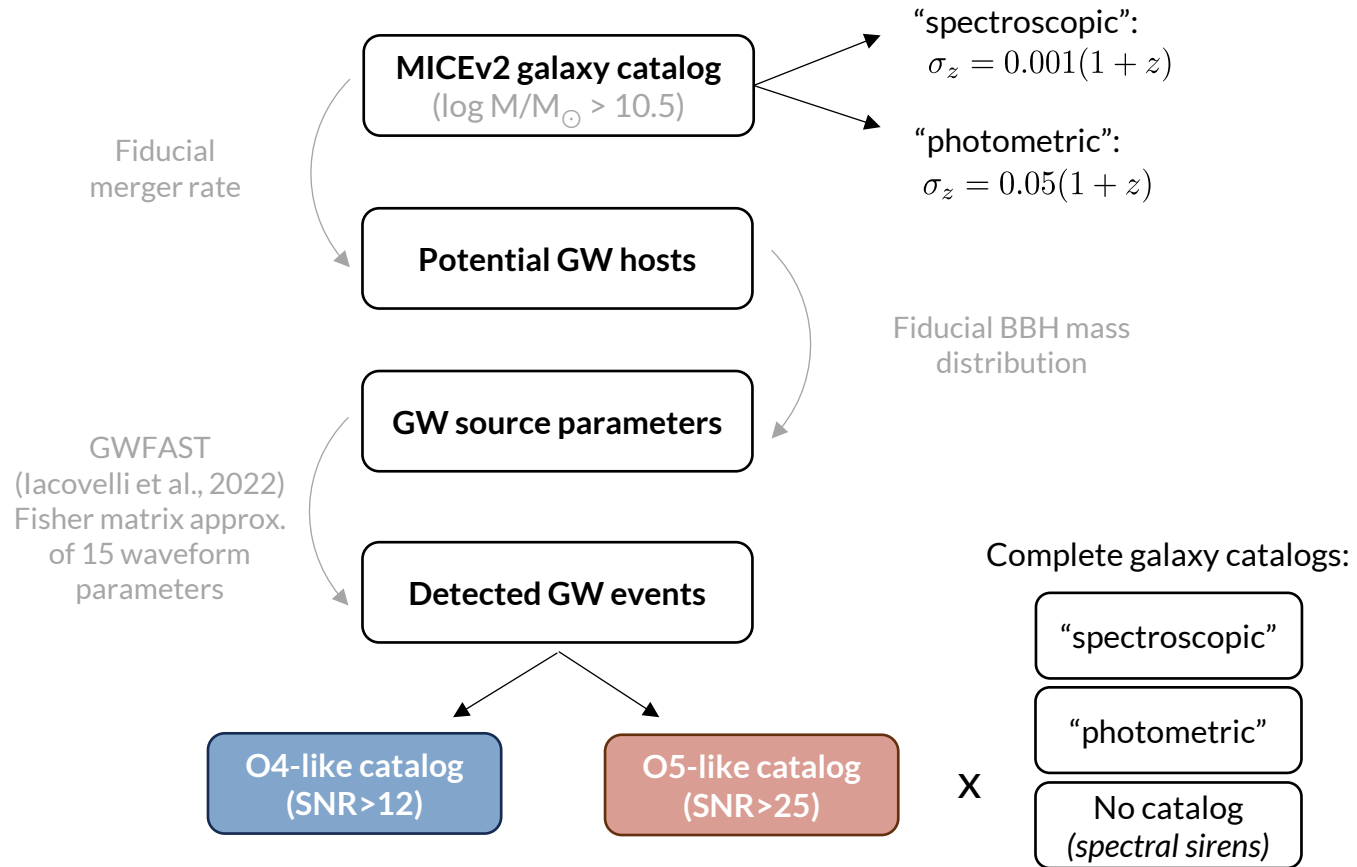
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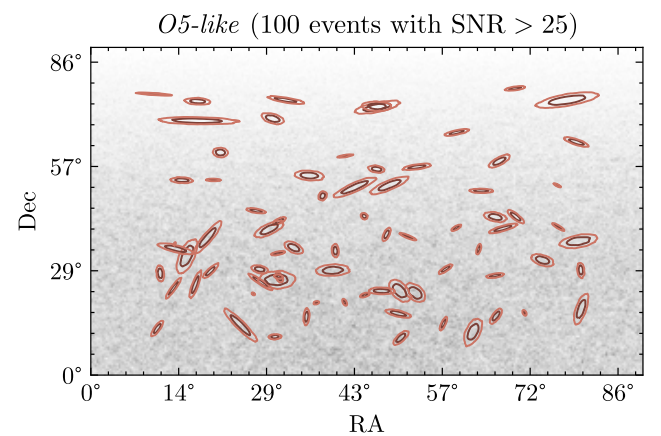
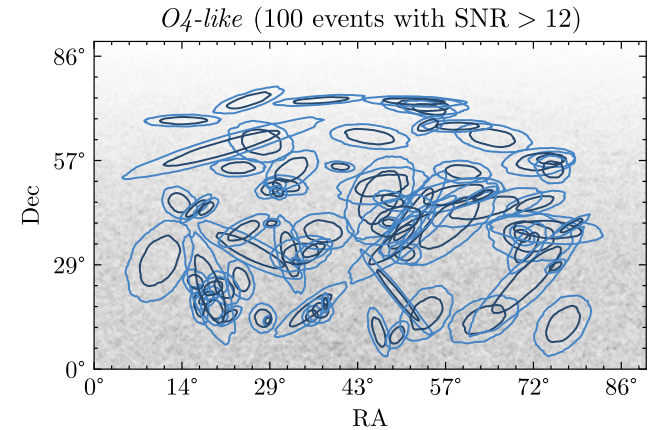
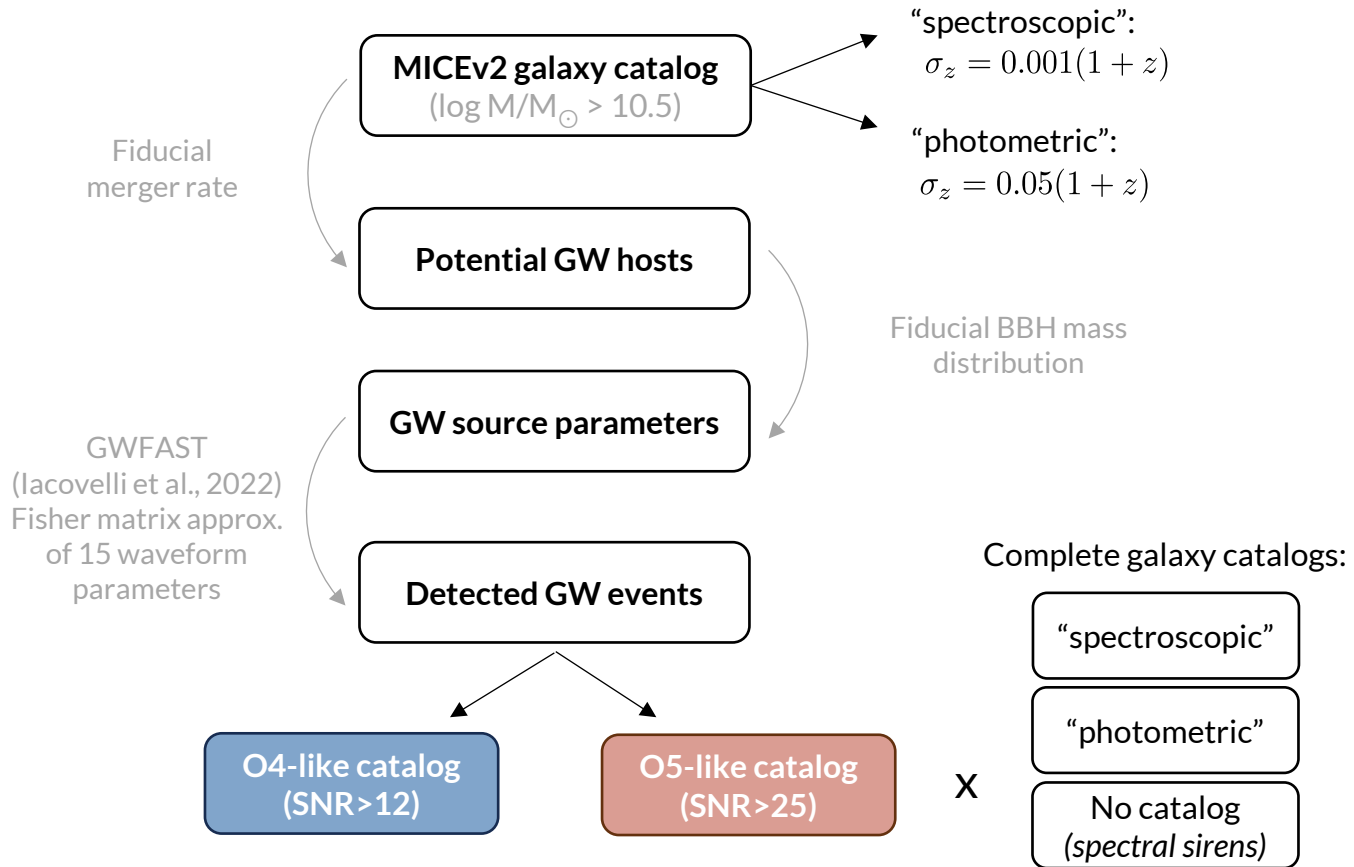


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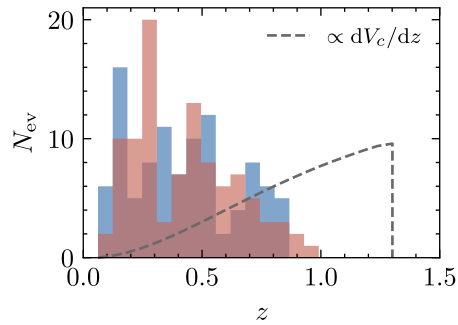
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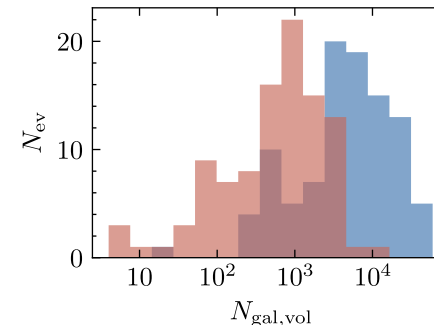
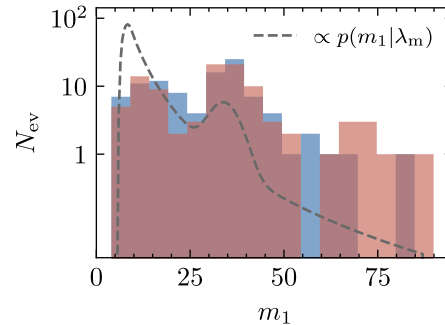


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O4-like catalog
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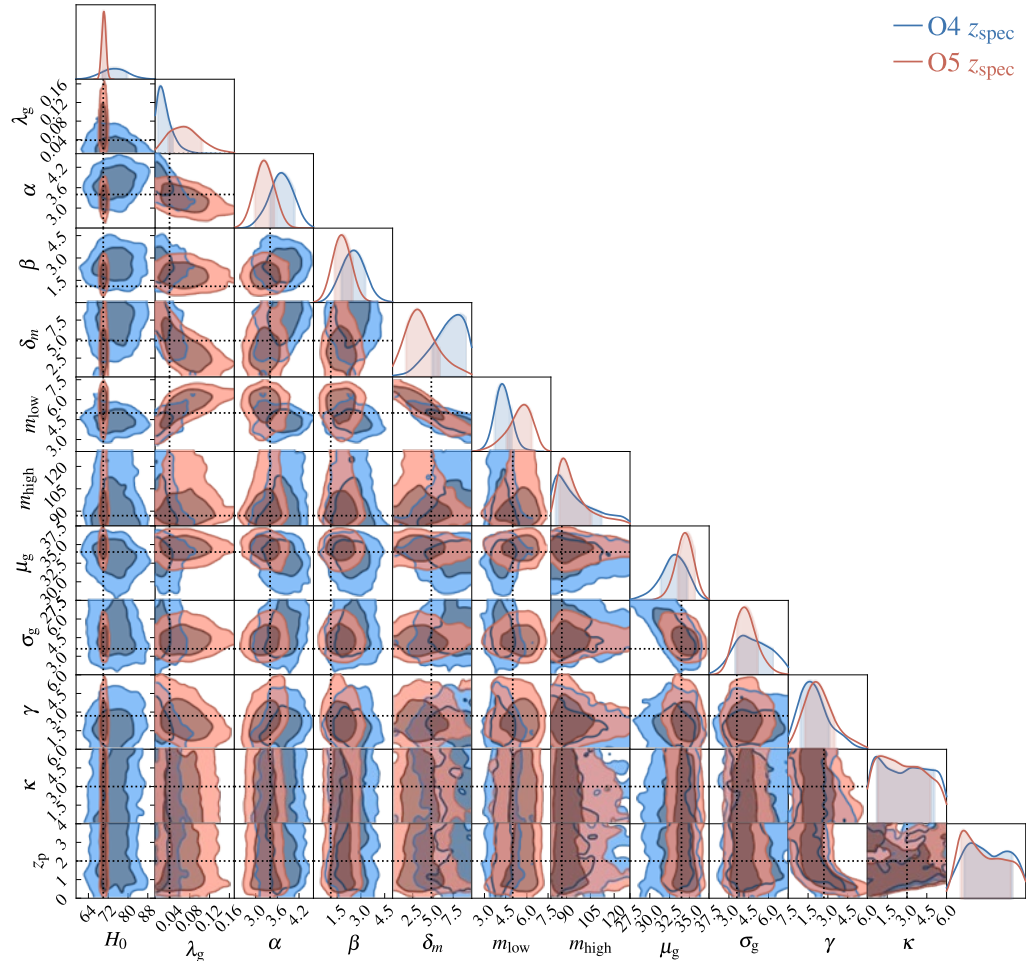
O5-like catalog
(SNR>25)

*(best 100 BBH events in
1 year of observation)*

- $z \lesssim 0.9$
- sky loc. areas 10-100 deg²
- $\gtrsim 500$ potential hosts for 90% events
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- $z \lesssim 1$ (but higher SNR cut!)
- sky loc. areas 1-10 deg²
- $\gtrsim 50$ potential hosts for 90% events
- “golden” events with ~ 0.5 deg² localization

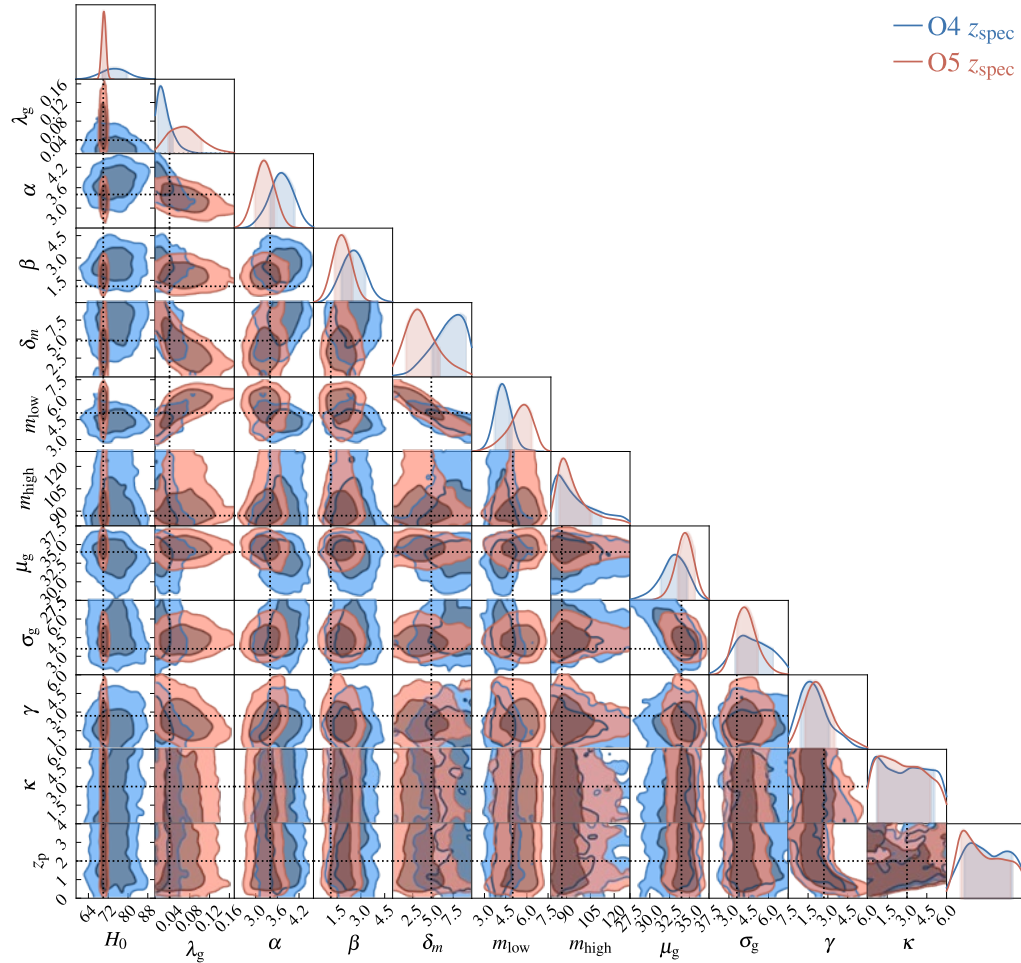
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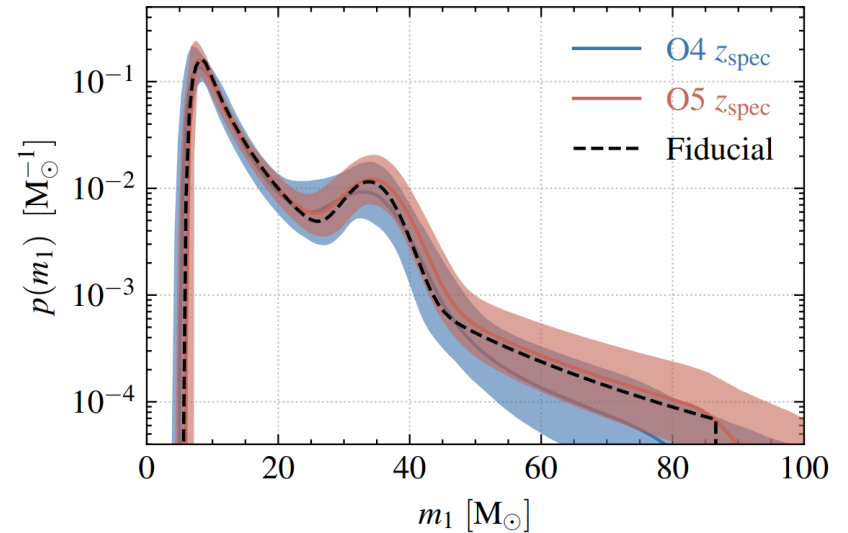
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λ_i	Description	Fiducial	Prior
Cosmology (flat ΛCDM)			
H_0	Hubble constant [$\text{km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$]	70.0	$\mathcal{U}(10.0, 200.0)$
$\Omega_{m,0}$	Matter energy density	0.25	Fixed
Rate evolution (Madau-like)			
γ	Slope at $z < z_p$	2.7	$\mathcal{U}(0.0, 12.0)$
κ	Slope at $z > z_p$	3	$\mathcal{U}(0.0, 6.0)$
z_p	Peak redshift	2	$\mathcal{U}(0.0, 4.0)$
Mass distribution (PowerLaw+Peak)			
α	(Primary) slope of the power law	3.4	$\mathcal{U}(1.5, 12.0)$
β	(Secondary) slope of the power law	1.1	$\mathcal{U}(-4.0, 12.0)$
δ_m	(Primary) smoothing parameter	4.8	$\mathcal{U}(0.01, 10.0)$
m_{low}	Lower value [M_\odot]	5.1	$\mathcal{U}(2.0, 50.0)$
m_{high}	Upper value [M_\odot]	87.0	$\mathcal{U}(50.0, 200.0)$
μ_g	(Primary): mean of the Gaussian peak [M_\odot]	34.0	$\mathcal{U}(2.0, 50.0)$
σ_g	(Primary): standard deviation of the Gaussian peak	3.6	$\mathcal{U}(0.4, 10.0)$
λ_g	(Primary): fraction of the Gaussian peak	0.039	$\mathcal{U}(0.01, 0.99)$

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Spectral-only analysis

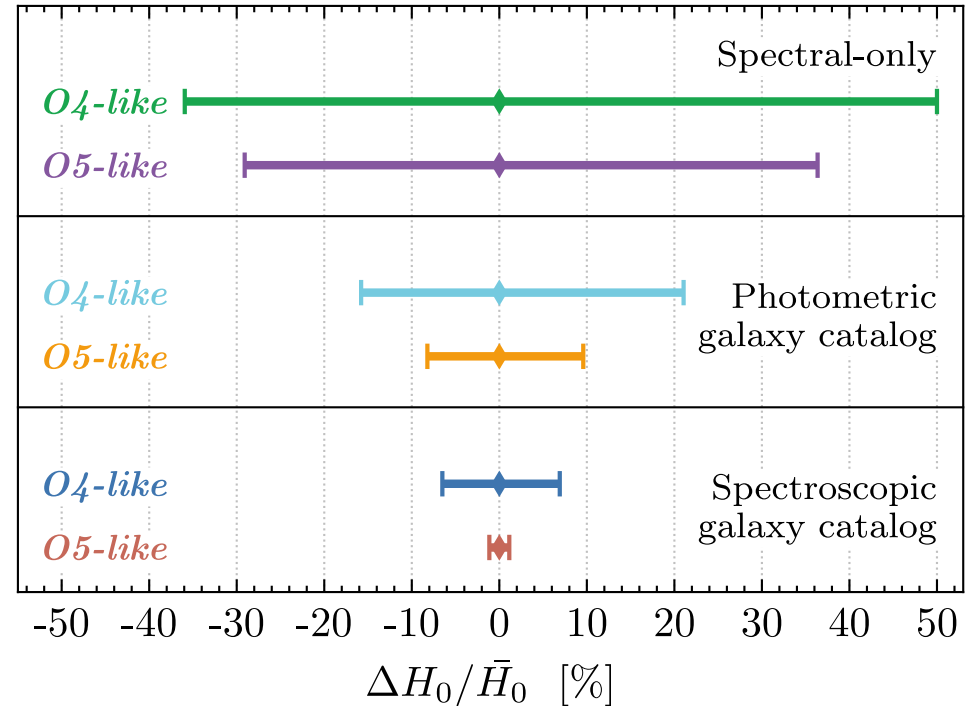
- Constraints on H_0 from the BBH mass distribution
 - ~40% O4-like
 - ~30% O5-like

Spectroscopic vs. photometric galaxy catalog

- Constraints on H_0 are notably weaker
 - ~ 3x for O4-like
 - ~ 9x for O5-like

Spectroscopic galaxy catalog

- Constraints on H_0 in about ~1 yr of observations
 - 7% with O4-like
 - 1% with O5-like



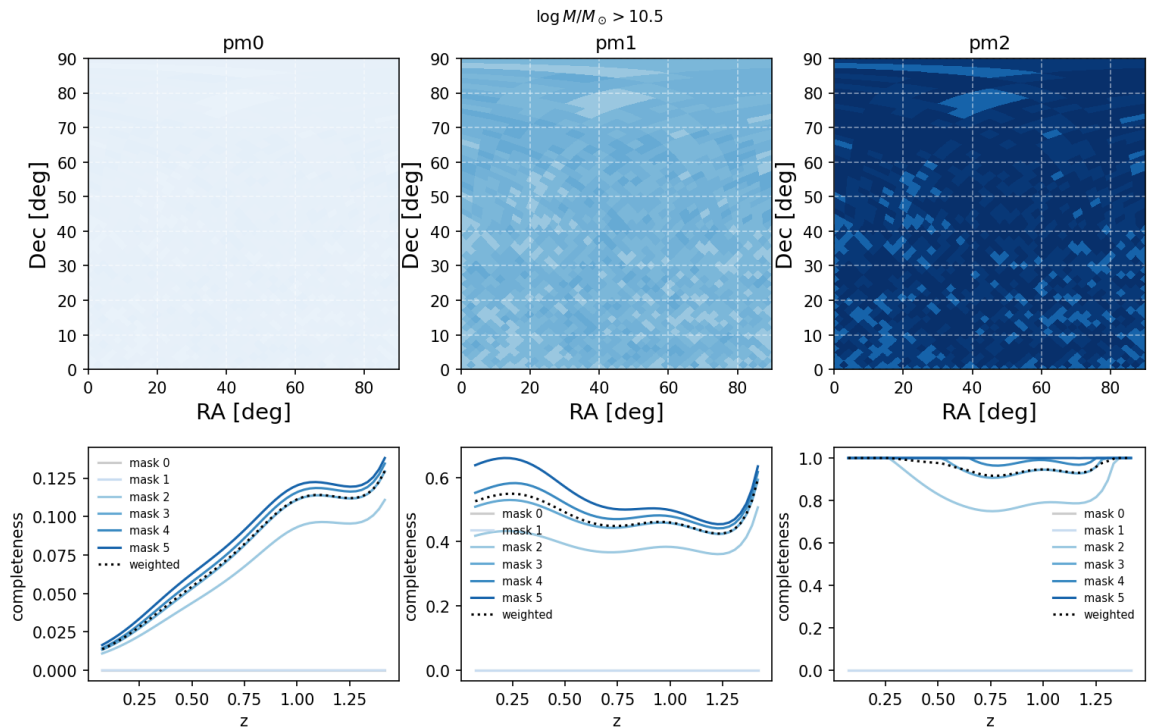
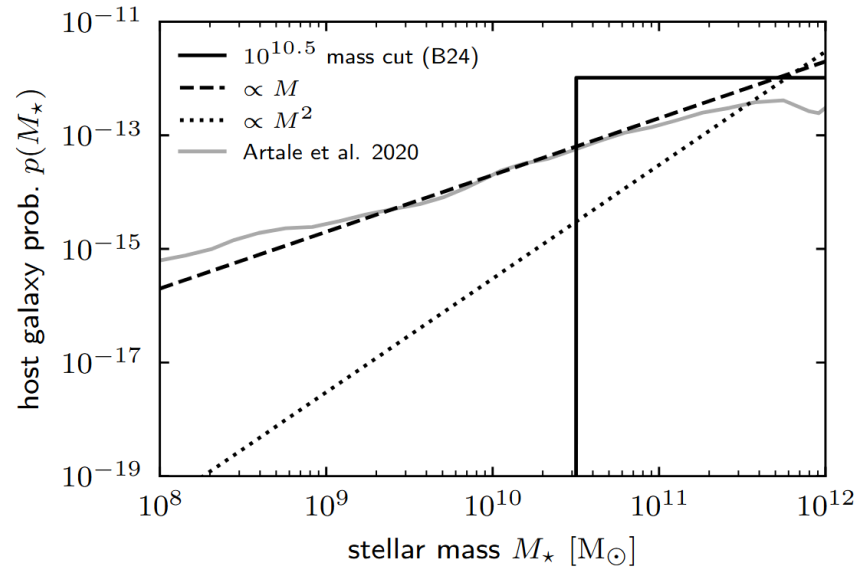
Current constraints: 46% with 42 BBHs from GWTC-3 (Mastrogiovanni+23, Gray+23)

Going beyond: galaxy catalog incompleteness and weighting

Borghi et al., *in prep*

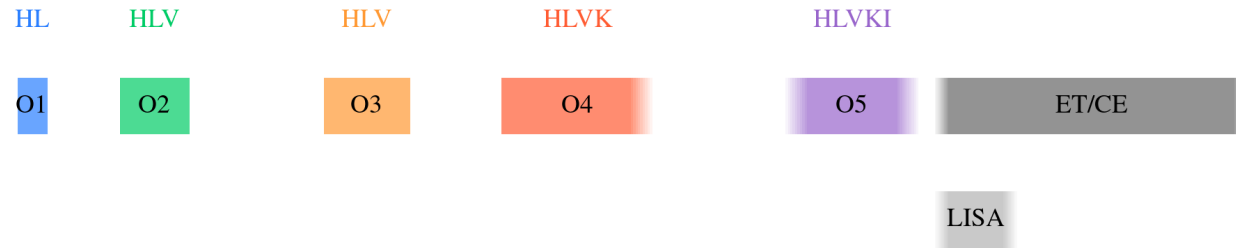
Incompleteness \rightarrow Wider H_0 posterior

Weighting \rightarrow Narrower H_0 posterior (if w toward more complete sources)
but potential biases when mismodelling weights (Perna et al. 2024)

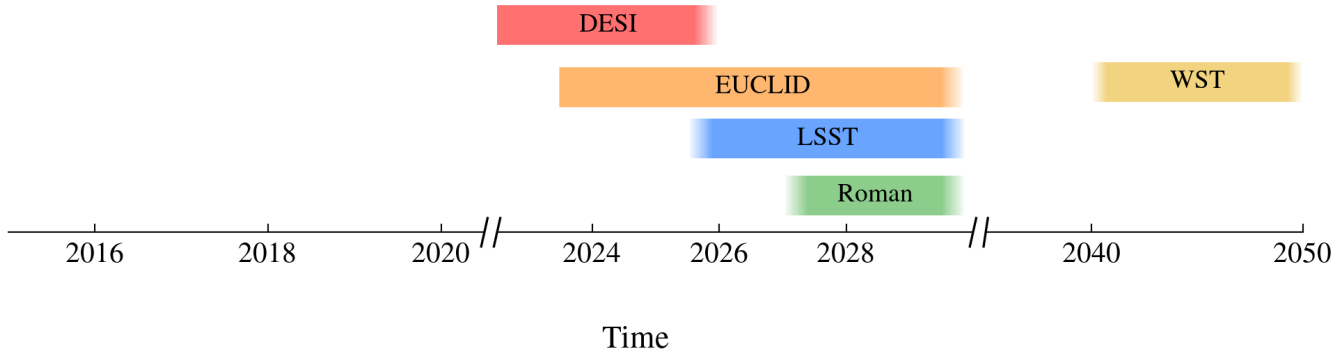


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GW Facilities



Galaxy Surveys



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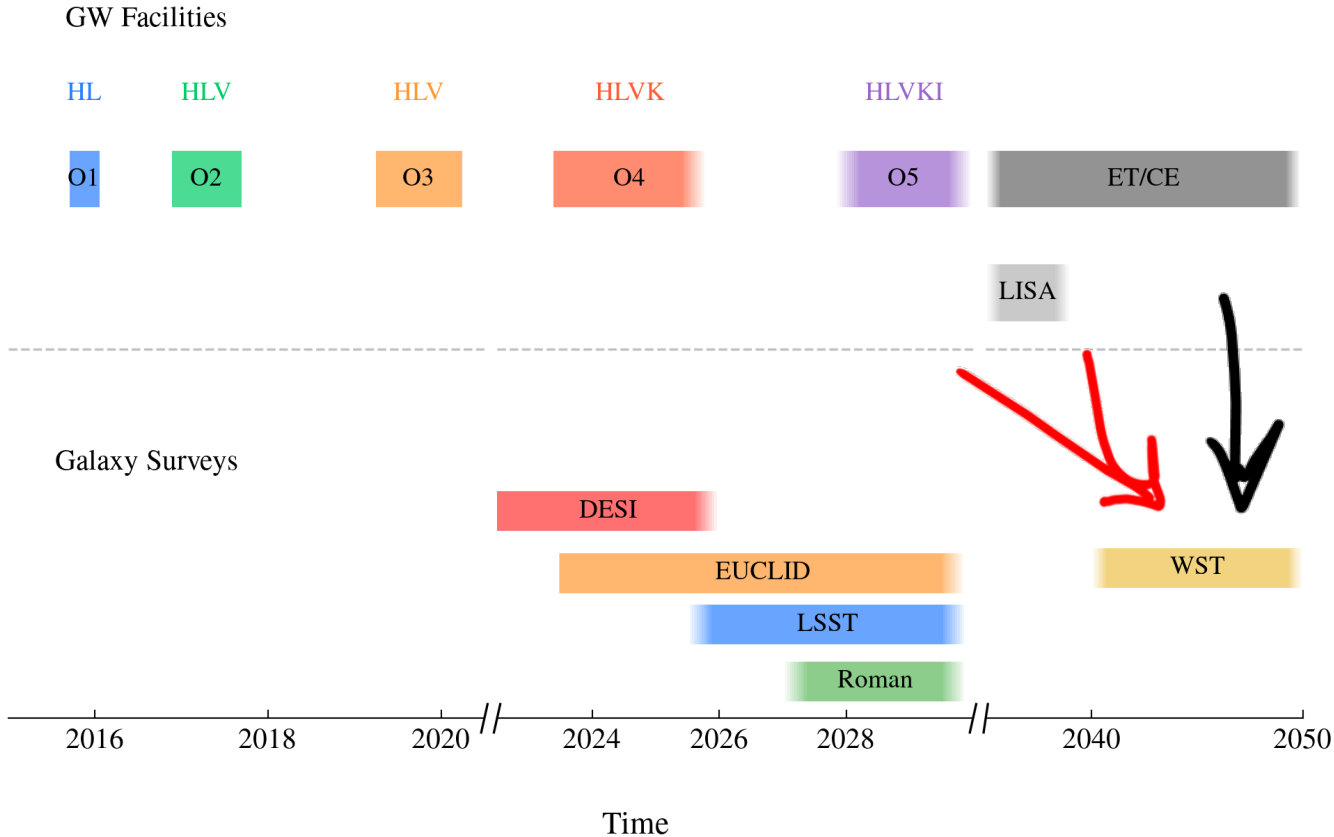
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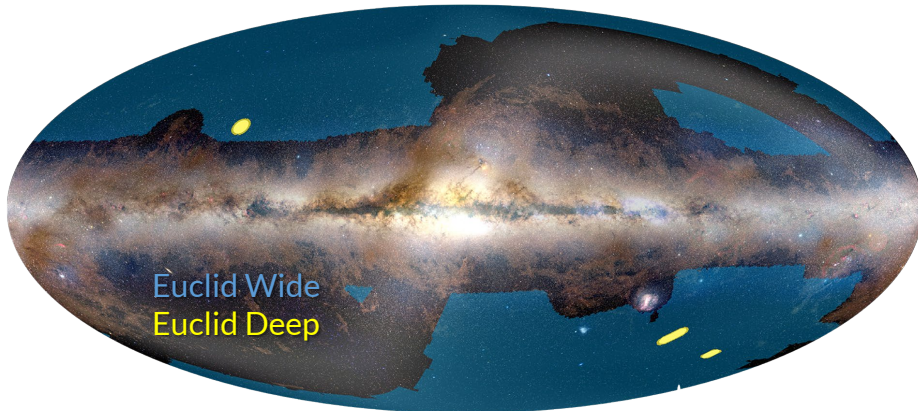
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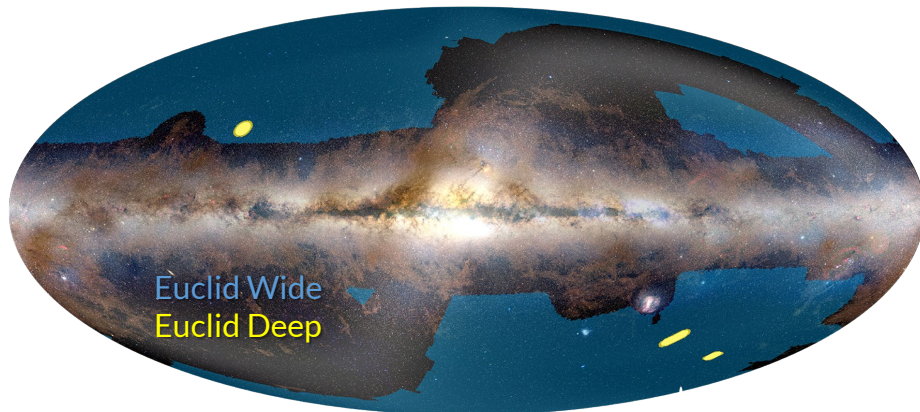
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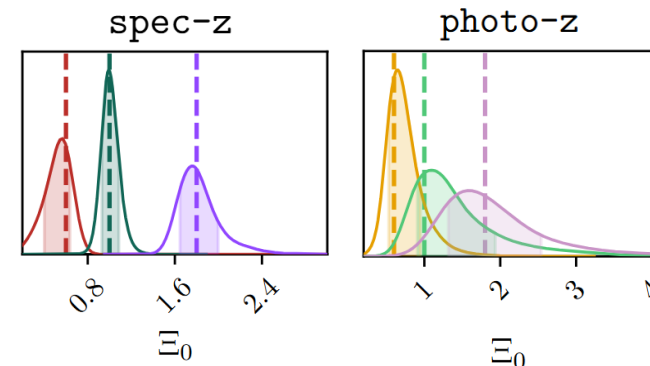


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Constraints to modified GW propagation

Modifications in the tensor perturbation sector; can be parameterized as (Belgacem et al. 2018)

$$\frac{d_L^{\text{gw}}(z)}{d_L^{\text{em}}(z)} = \Xi_0 + \frac{1 - \Xi_0}{(1+z)^n}$$



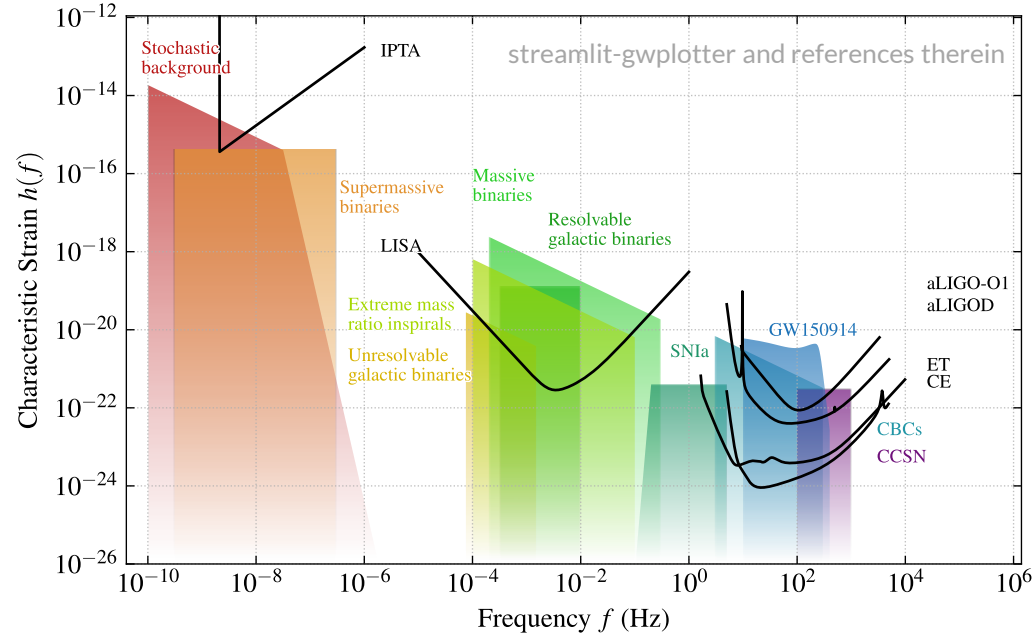
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LISA x WST

➤ Remapping best localized extreme mass ratio inspirals and massive BBH mergers

MBHB mergers ($m_1 \sim 10^{5-6} M_\odot$) and EMRIs can be used as standard sirens (see LISA Redbook, 2024)



EMRIs (e.g., Laghi et al 2021)

- Full population up to $z \sim 4$
- Standard sirens ($< 2 \text{ deg}^2$, $dd_L/d_L < 0.1$):
 - $0.1 < z < 1$
 - 1-100/yr
 - $dH_0/H_0 \sim 1-10\%$

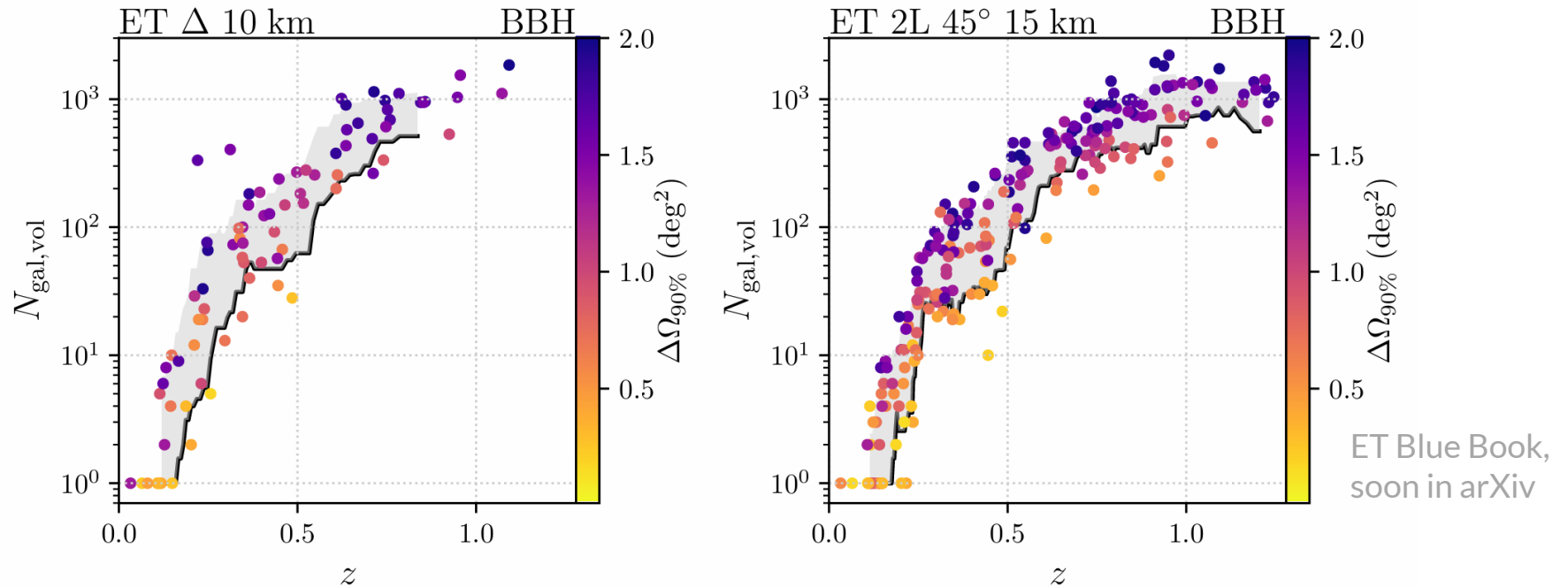
MBHBs (e.g., Tamanini+2016, Mangiagli+2021)

- Full population up to $z \sim 10$
- Up to ~ 5 bright sirens / yr

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ET x WST

- Dark sirens with best localized events (up to $z \sim 1$), $H(z)$?, correlation with host properties

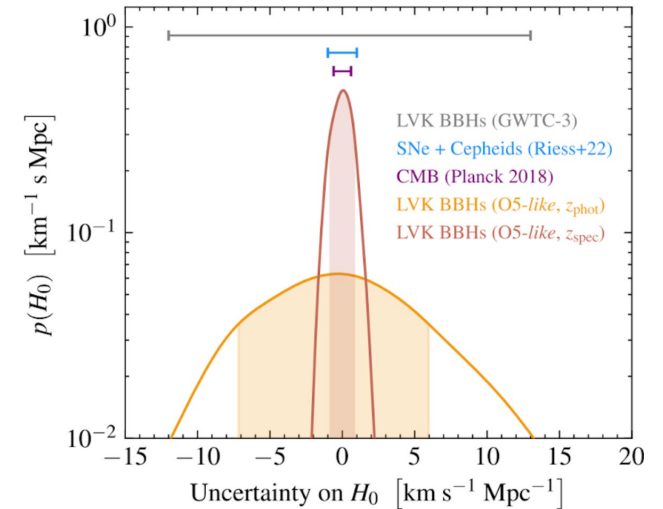


- $O(100)$ events with localization area $< 10 \text{ deg}^2$ up to $z \sim 0.7$
- *Few tens* of events with < 100 galaxies in localization volume

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GWs provide a direct measurement of H_0 and can probe $H(z)$ via $d_L(z)$

- In Borghi et al. (2024), we present a novel pipeline (CHIMERA): **joint cosmological and astrophysical population constraints** with the **100 best BBH** for the LVK O4- and O5-like scenarios:
 - **H_0 + spectroscopic galaxy catalog**, **~1% with O5-like** in about one year
 - **H_0 + photometric galaxy catalog**, **~9x weaker** constraints
 - O4-like with spectroscopic catalog > O5-like with photometric
- Future wide field spectroscopic surveys may for transform GW cosmology:
 - **Time domain + bright sirens** with concurrent GW facilities
 - **Dark sirens** ($H(z)$, modified GW propagation) also with previous GW catalogs



If you are interested join us at WST
Cosmology **WP6 - Alternative probes**
(Leads: Dinko Milaković, Nicola Borghi)

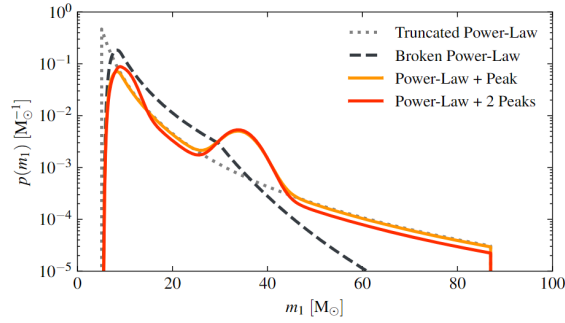


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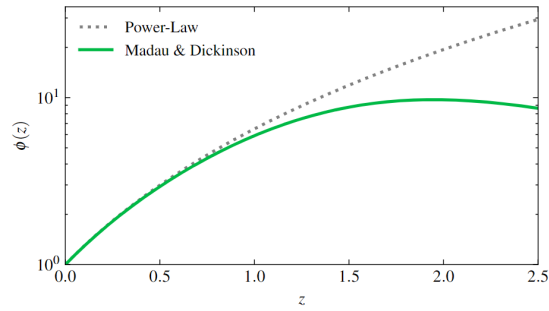
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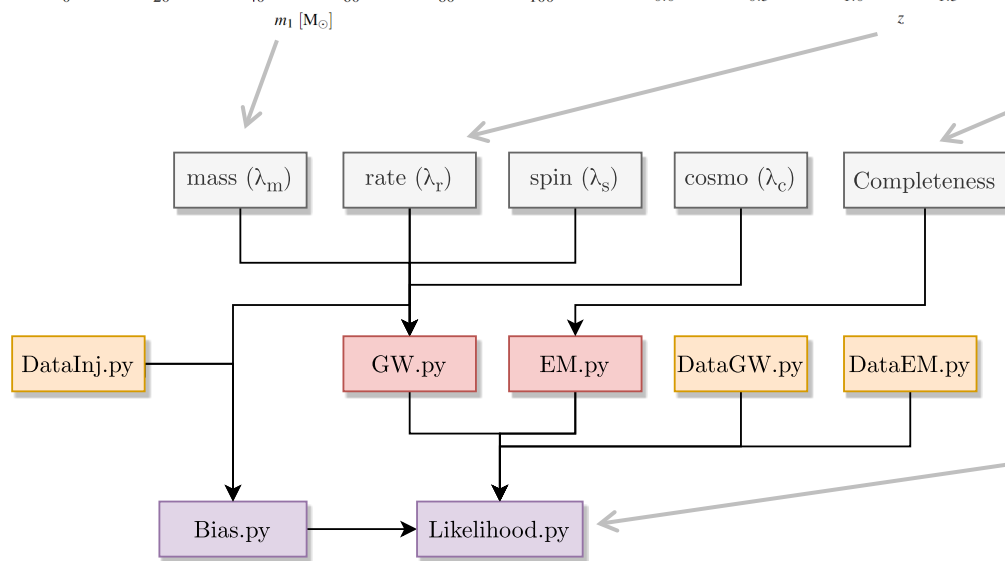
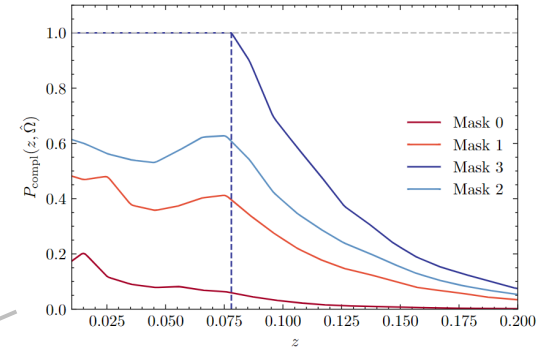
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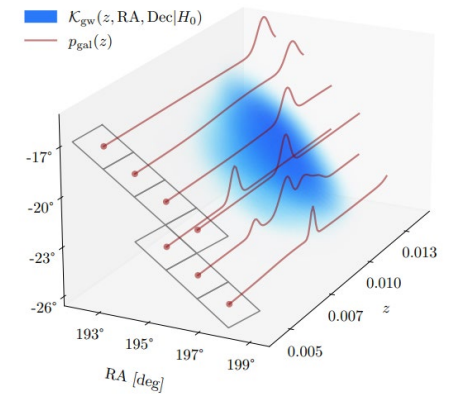
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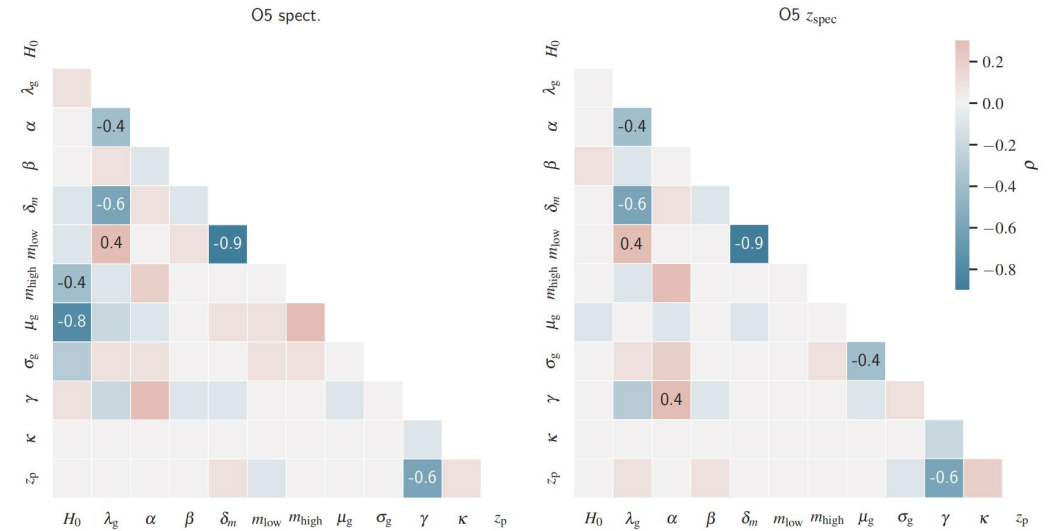
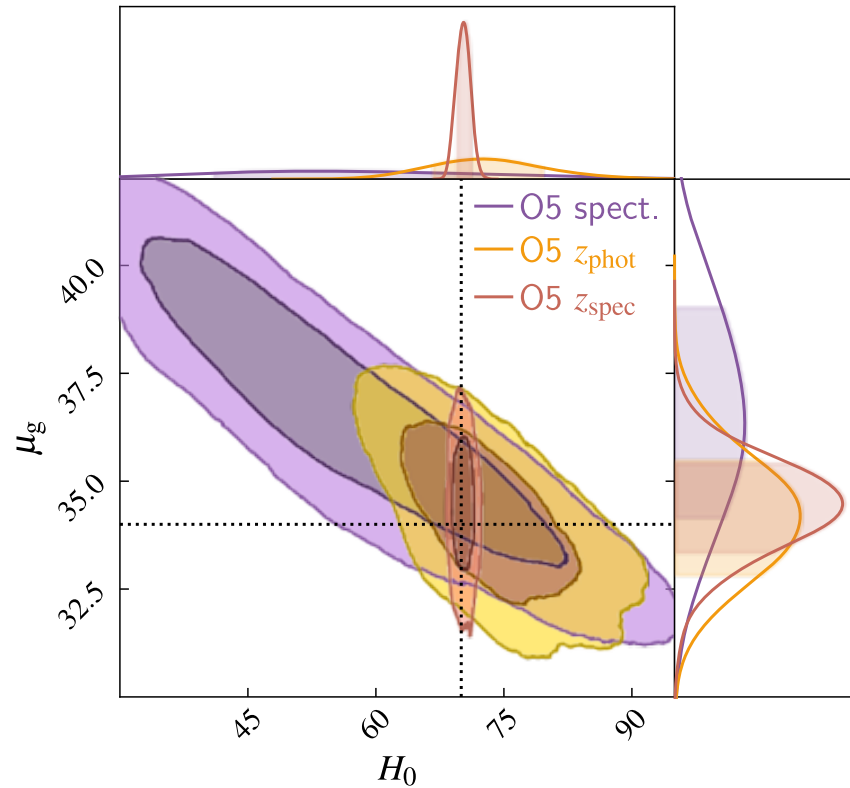
Galaxy catalog properties: Redshift uncertainty, completeness



Data processing: GW KDE, pixelization, selection effects



Cosmological and astrophysical hyperparameters correlations



- Well known degeneracy in the spectral siren case between H_0 and the peak of the mass function (see e.g., Abbott et al 2023 Cosmology paper)
- The degeneracy is broken with 100 BBHs in the case of a spectroscopic galaxy catalog