

Updates from LIGO

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What's LIGO (and who's this guy?)

LIGO: large (4km) experiment to detect cosmic gravitational waves

LIGO Scientific Collaboration (LSC): international consortium of ~1300 scientists (plus ~500 in Virgo) engaged in hardware operation & development, data analysis and astrophysics

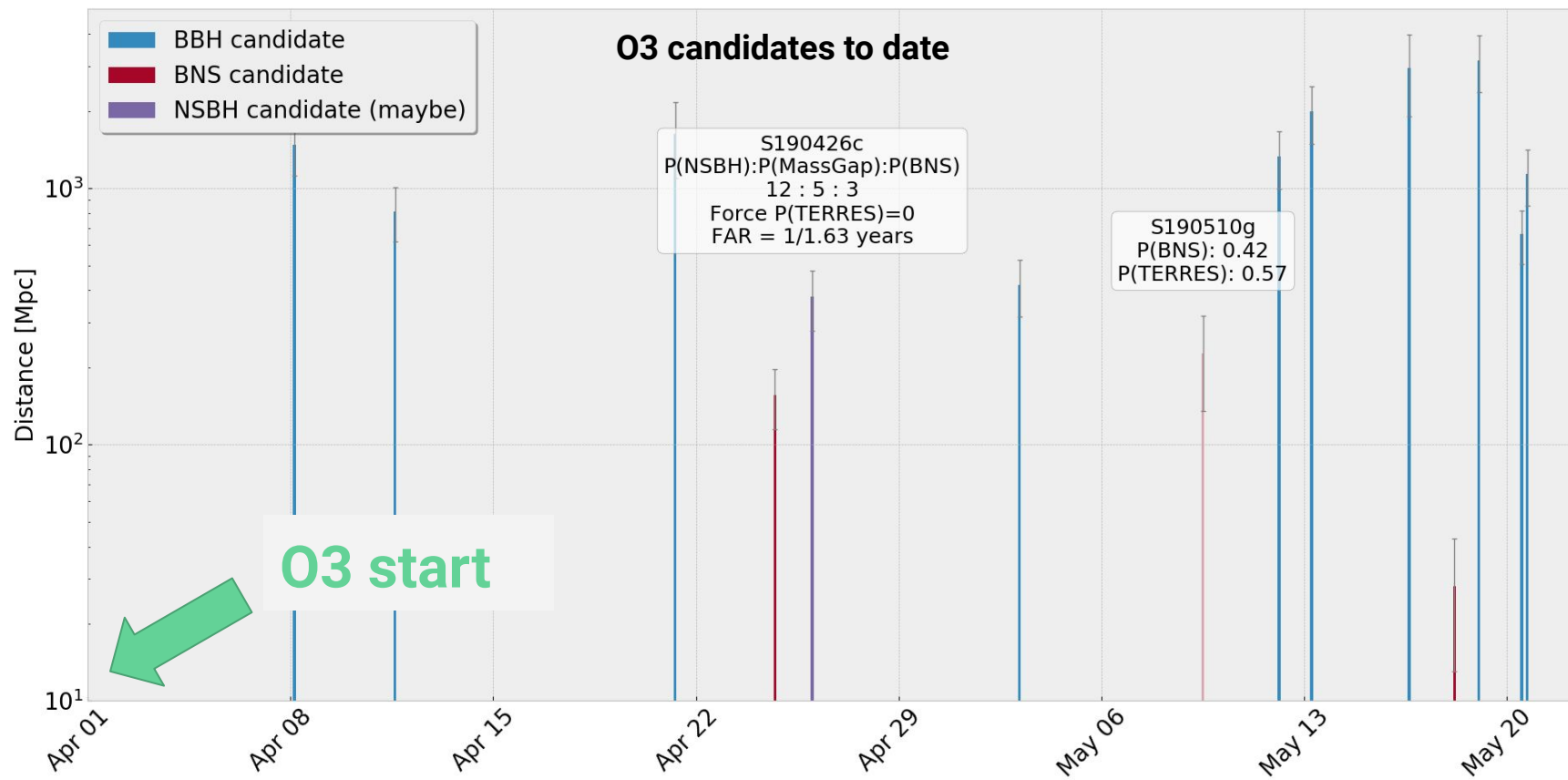
Sept 2015 - Jan 2016: historical first detections of gravitational waves from binary black hole (BBH) mergers (see e.g. 2017 Nobel prize in physics)

Nov 2016 - Aug 2017: multiple BBHs, first binary neutron star, inc. unprecedented electromagnetic follow-up campaign

Me: research scientist @ GATech

- 2005 - 2017: LIGO data analysis background (transient signals of uncertain morphology)
- ~2017 - now: LIGO DevOps / OSG & bulk data management (and a bit of science)

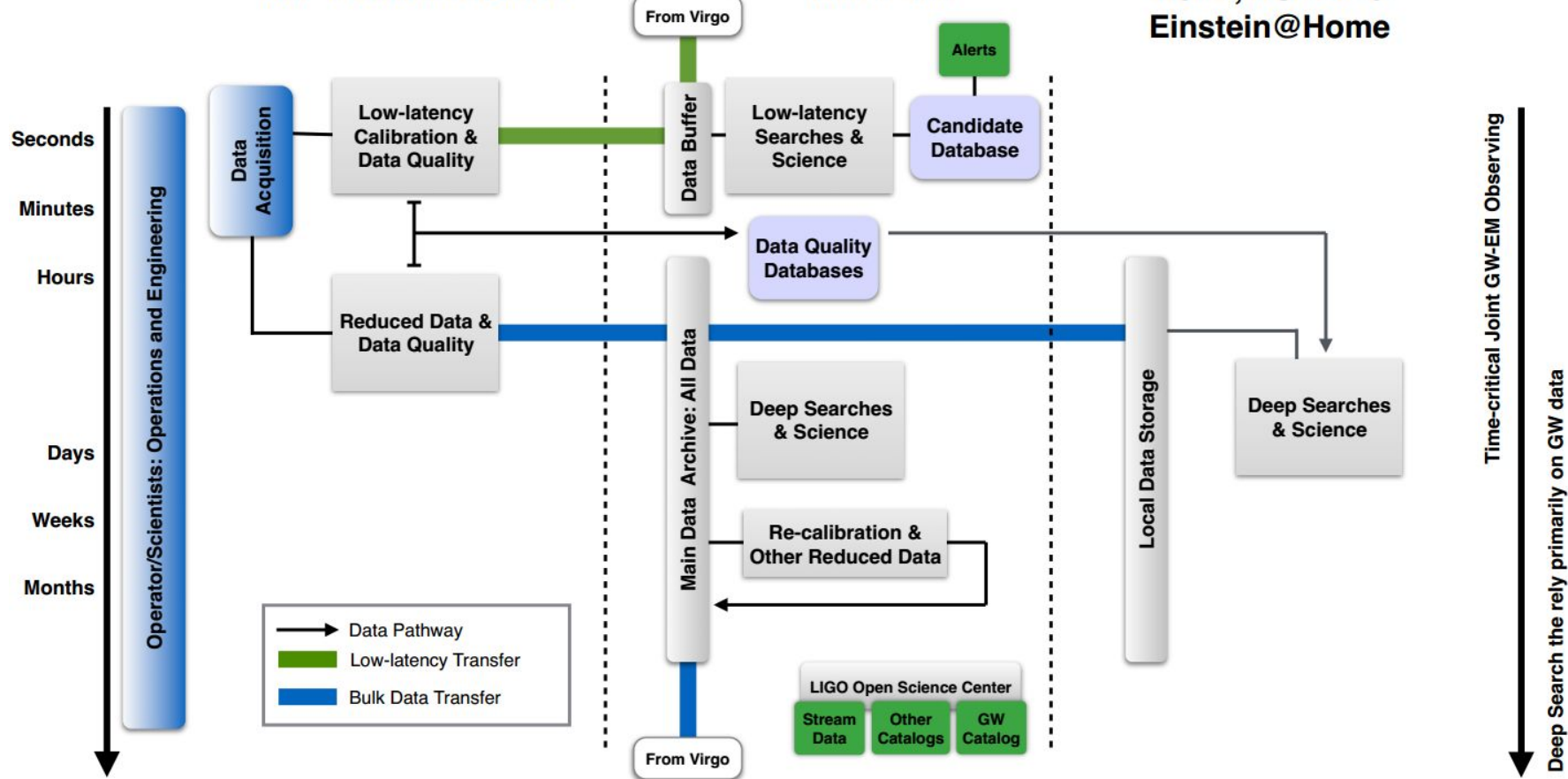
3rd LIGO/Virgo observing run (O3): 1 year



Other Facilities

Tier-1-CIT

Tier-2, XSEDE & Einstein@Home



Computing Scale

Data rates

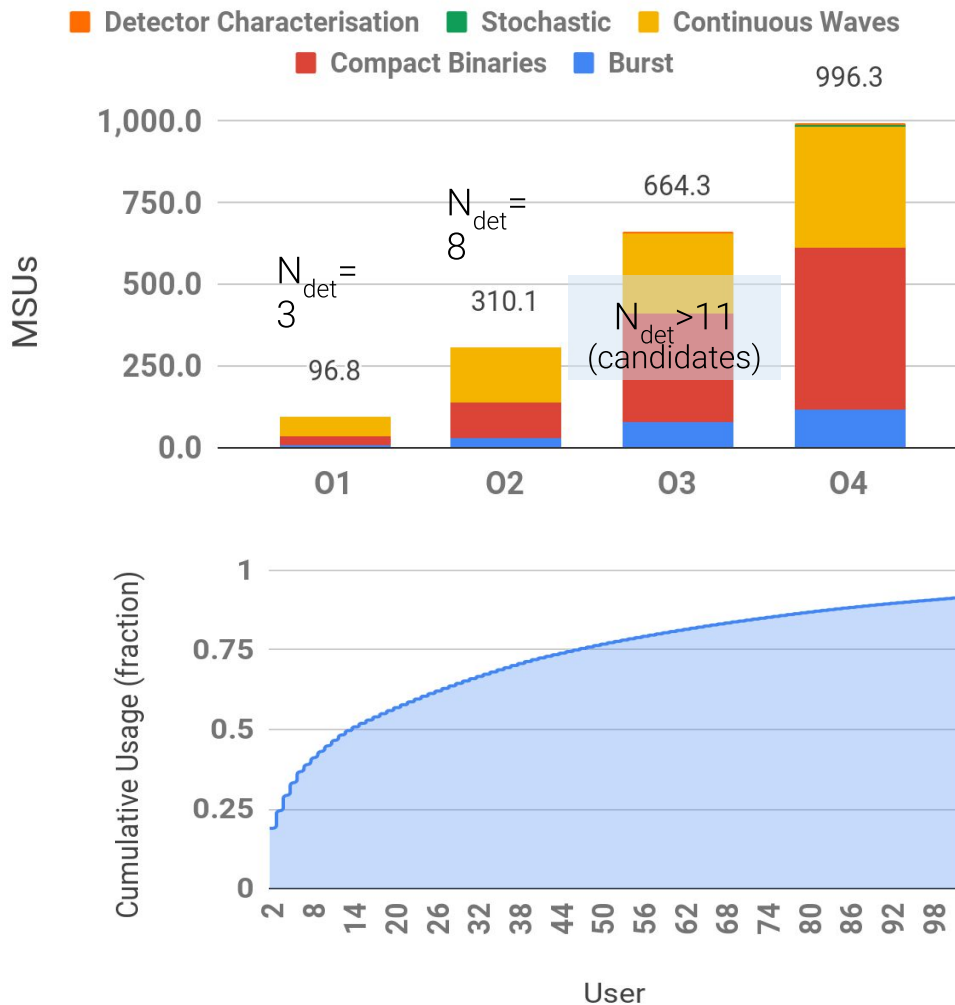
- Channels per site: ~200,000
- Strain per IFO: 0.12 MB/s
- Raw and Reduced data: 0.85 PB/yr
 - ~3 TB of strain data
- User data: 2.1 PB/yr

Total computing requirements

- $MSU = 10^6$ E5-2670 core hours
- O3 projected usage: ~600 MSU

LIGO-Virgo Users:

- ~700 total, ~400 active in last year
- Top 50 users drive ~70% of demand



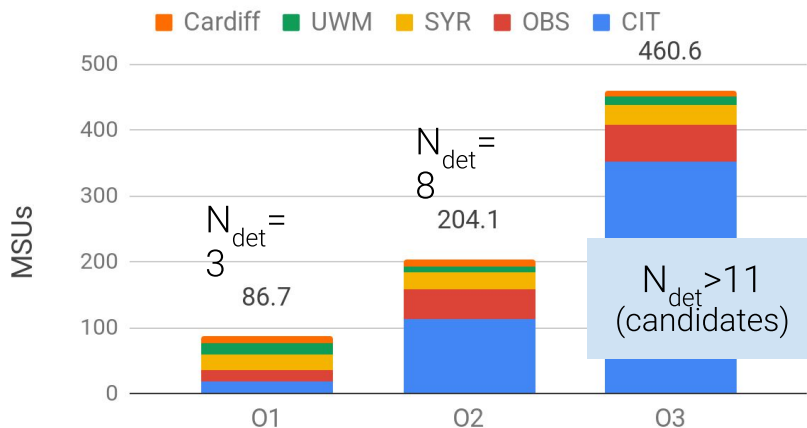
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Diverse set of resources: dedicated, allocated & opportunistic

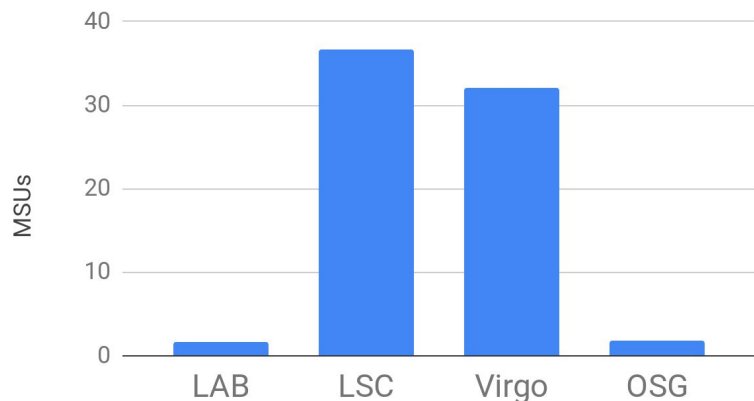
- LIGO lab
- LSC-institutions
- Virgo (mostly allocated)
- PI clusters (shared)
- Campus / regional shared clusters
- National supercomputers (XSEDE, Blue Waters)
- Opportunistic cycles
- Future: OzGrav, commercial cloud

Runtime environments: LDG & OSG

LSC-managed resources (exc. Virgo)

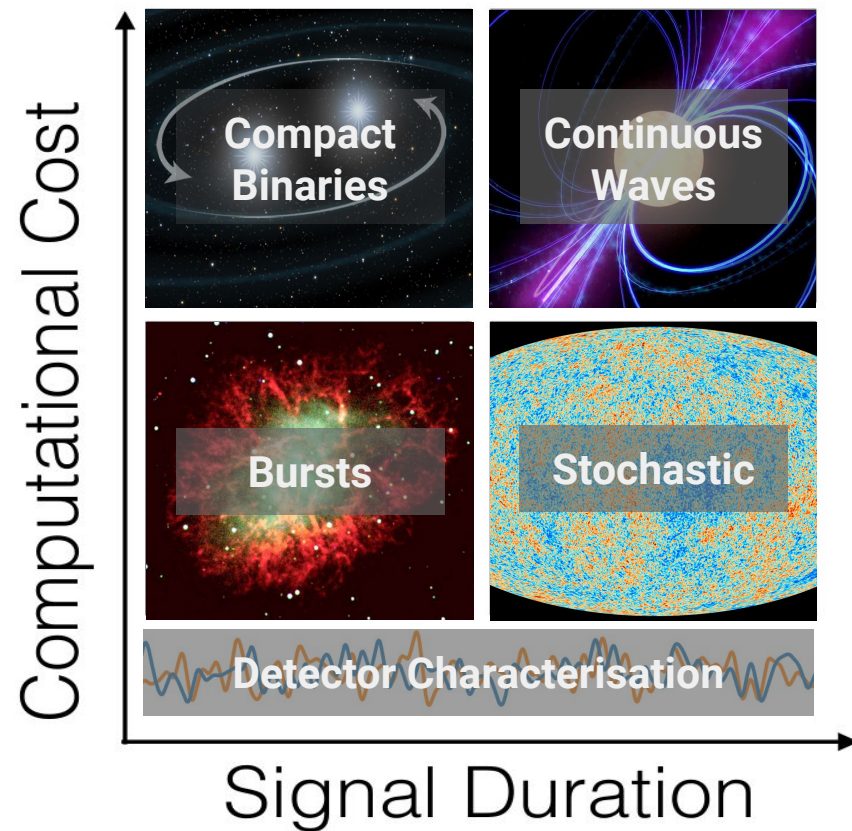


Usage: last 52 weeks



LIGO Data Analysis

- Astrophysics groups:
 - Propose science goals
 - Determine analysis algorithms
 - Write and run applications
- Detector characterization: supports the commissioning teams, astrophysics groups
- Diverse algorithms and methods → heterogeneous demands on computing infrastructure
- Bulk of our analyses are embarrassingly parallel → HTCondor & Pegasus



Main consumers

Demand dominated by:

Parameter estimation - follow-up
short data segments with densely
sampled templates

CW searches - downsampled data,
large numbers of templates

Offline CBC searches - compare
large volumes of data, relatively
sparse template banks

Analysis Area

Burst Parameter Estimation

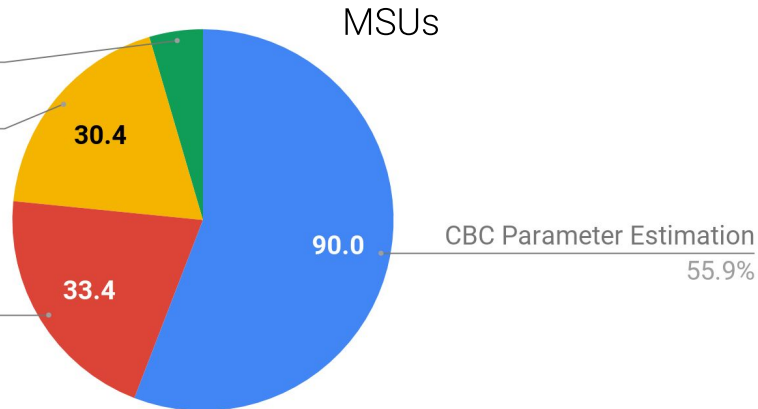
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CBC Search

18.9%

CW Search

20.7%



Last 52 weeks' usage

Top 10 Consumers

CW all-sky (spotlight)

3.6%

PyCBC (offline)

4.2%

BayesWave

4.5%

RIFT

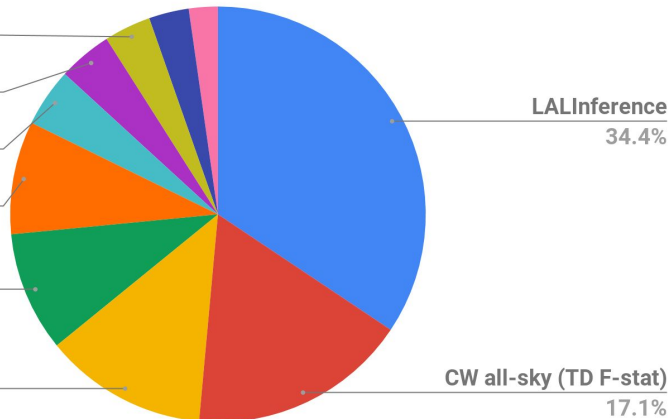
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GSTLAL (offline)

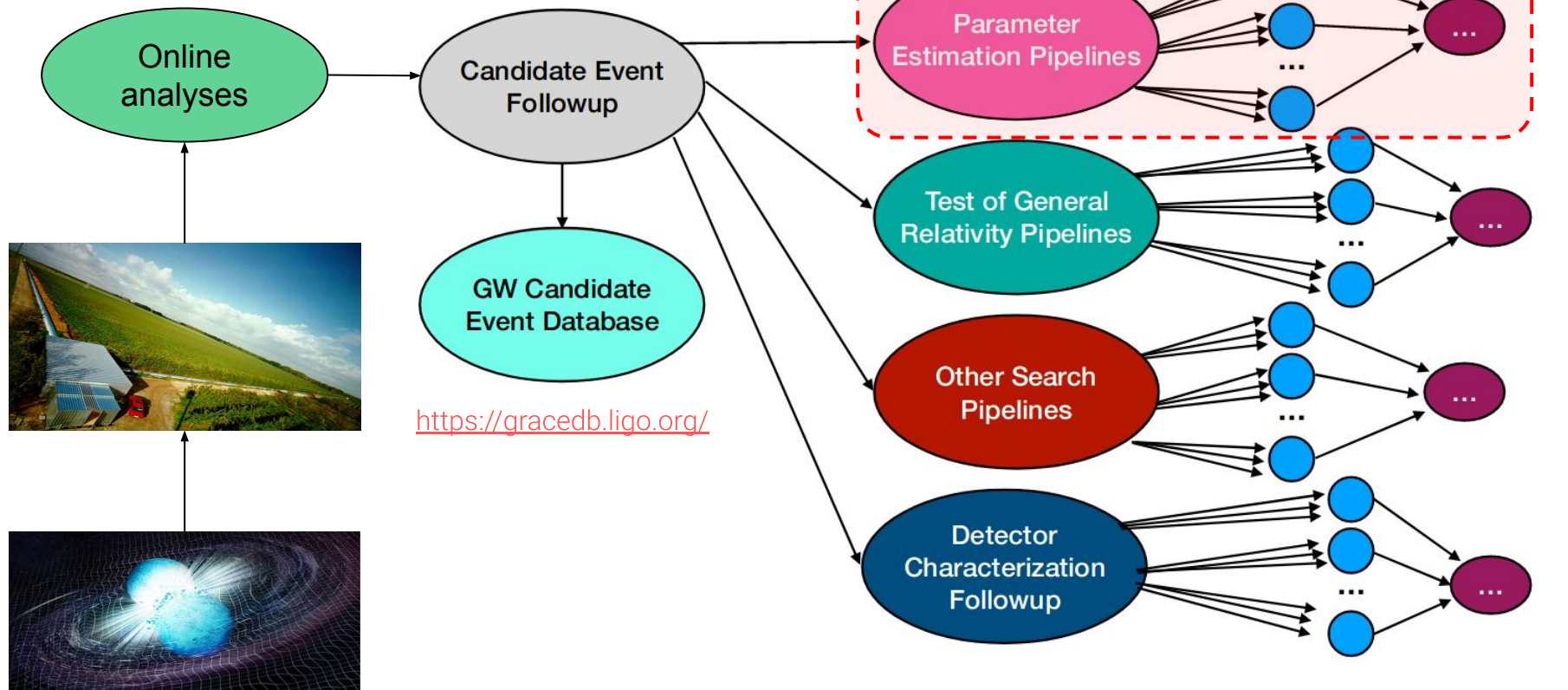
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LIGO Transient Analysis Workflows



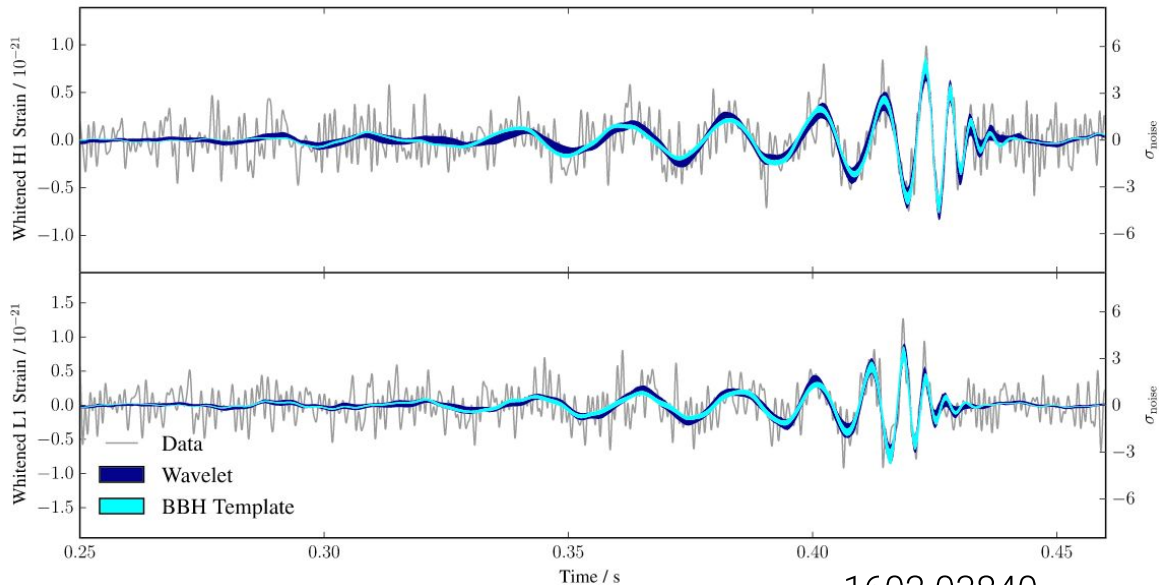
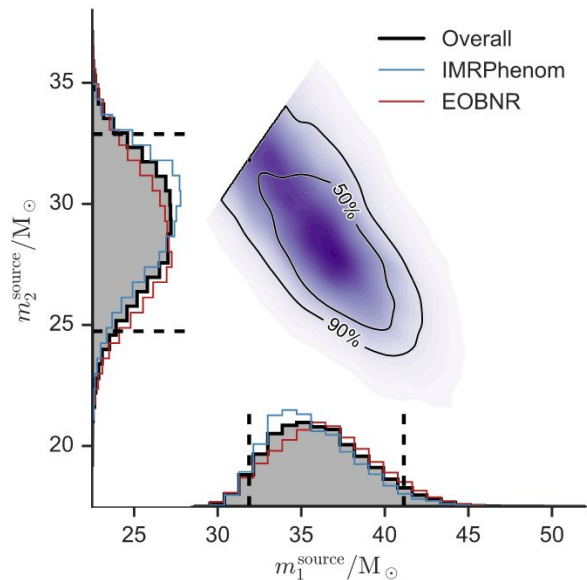
Determine source properties with Bayesian inference

$$p(\vec{\theta}|\{d\}, H) = \frac{p(\vec{\theta}|H)p(\{d\}|\vec{\theta}, H)}{P(\{d\}|H)}$$

- Templates: θ = sky-location, spins, masses, distance, ...
- Wavelets: θ = sky-location, number of wavelets, wavelet frequency, bandwidth, ...

Generally:

- small data volumes
- ~simple workflows

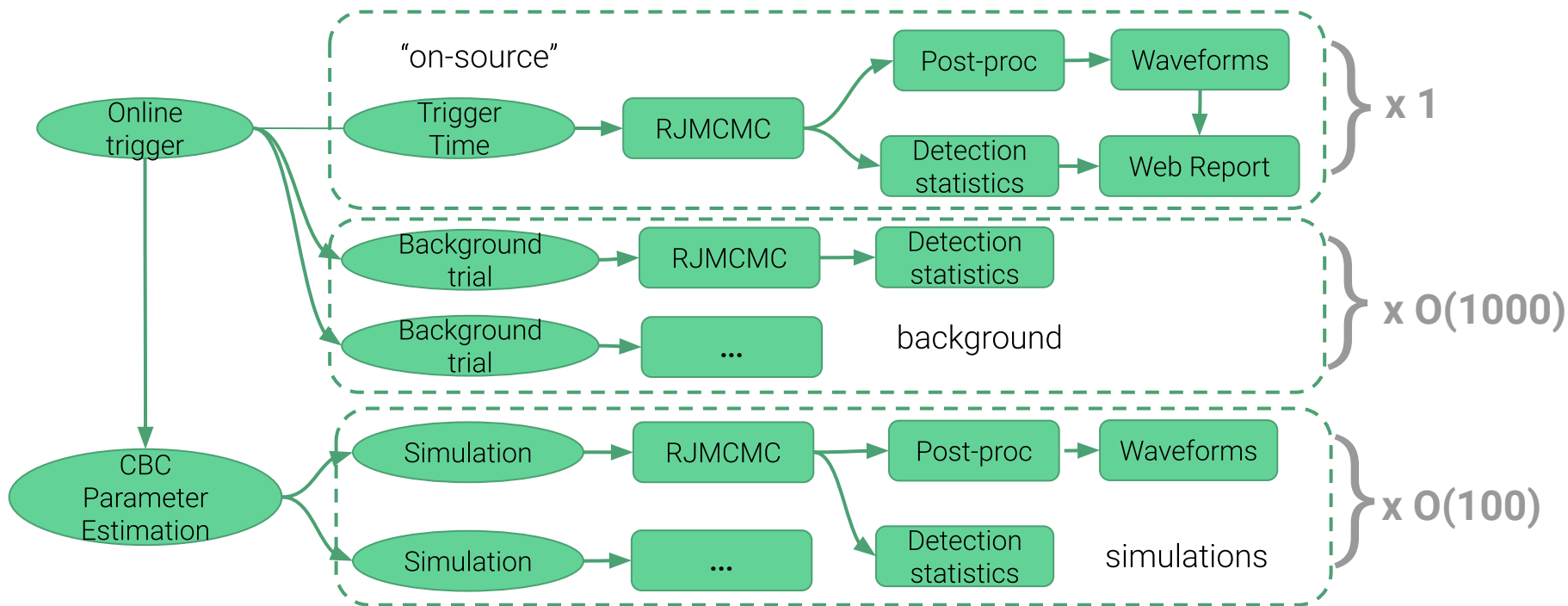


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Focus: BayesWave (1410.3835)

Morphology-independent ('burst') algorithm (wavelets) for $O(1\text{ s})$ transients

- signal-detection / glitch-discrimination
- waveform reconstructions & de-noising



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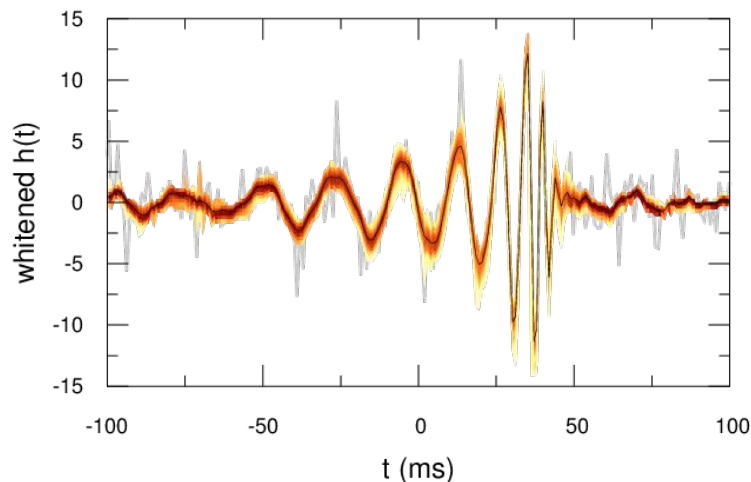
Individual BayesWave jobs: ~12-48 hours

- Huge parameter space
 - $D_{\text{signal}} = 5 N_{\text{wavelets}} + 4$
 - $D_{\text{glitch}} = 5 N_{\text{detectors}} N_{\text{wavelets}}$
- Trans-dimensional RJMCMC: non-parallelisable
- Checkpointing critical!

Recent developments:

- Periodic checkpointing & file transfers: ✓
- Using CVMFS for:
 - Singularity containers ✓
 - LIGO Conda environment ✓
 - Proprietary LIGO data ✓
- OSG-deployed: ✓

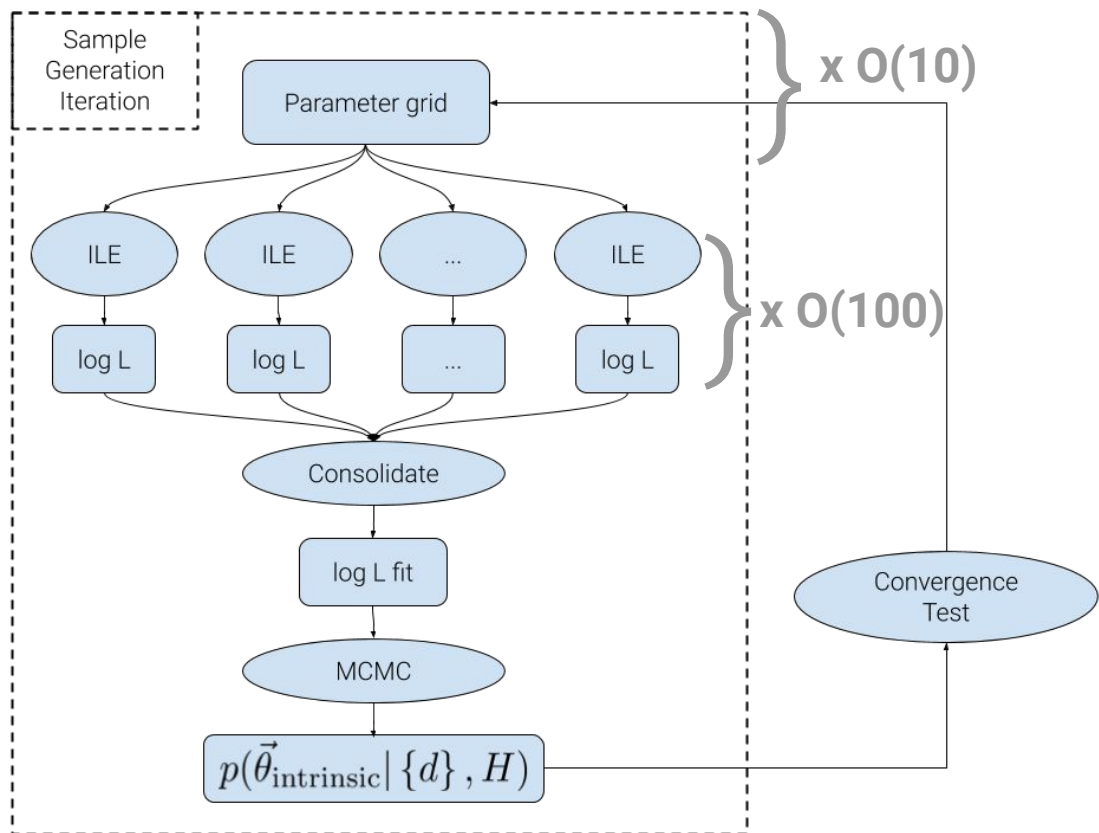
LIGO Hanford Observatory: GW150914



User concerns re checkpointing:

- Cannot access intermediate results 😞
- Lose all progress after condor_rm'ing DAGs 😞

Focus: RIFT (1805.10457)



Rapid parameter inference on gravitational wave sources via Iterative FiTting

Standard inference (e.g., `LALInference`):

- Approximate analytic models
- MCMC-based sampling in 15-D

RIFT:

1. Start with discrete grid of waveforms
2. **I**ntegrate **L**ikelihood over **E**xtrinsic parameters
3. Fit marginal likelihood to grid
4. MCMC samples using likelihood fit
5. Refine grid, repeat

Developed for rapid evaluation of waveform approximants

Extended to direct use of numerical relativity waveforms from HPC simulations

Focus: RIFT

Likelihood eval: timeseries manipulations & matrix

operations: numpy → cupy

- CPU likelihood eval: 407s
- GPU likelihood eval: 21s

Significant implications:

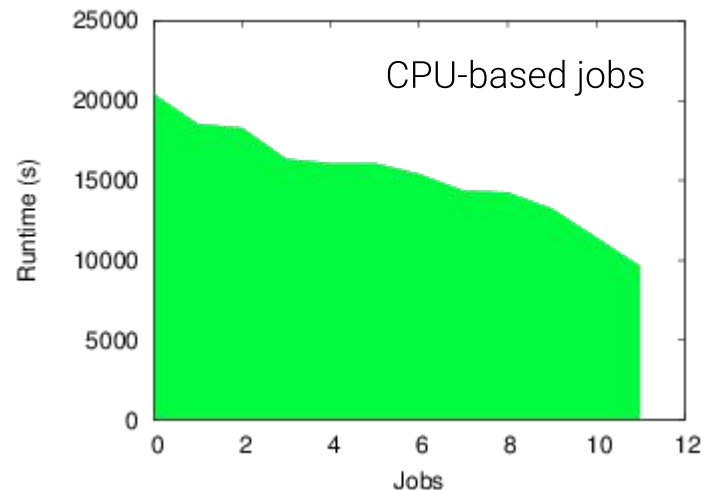
- rapid EM-followup
- simulations and probability coverage tests

In the last month

- Containerised in LIGO CVMFS & running on OSG CPUs
- Deployed to PRP GPU cluster via docker

CVMFS:

- Usual LIGO strain data requirement
- WIP: distribute template data via CVMFS



Concluding remarks

O3: multiple candidates / week

“Strain” on in-house resources increasing
→ OSG etc growing in importance &
opening up more resources (GATech,
LSU, PRP, ...)

3 (out of >> 10) pipelines OSG-friendly

CVMFS for bulk data & software

Modern DevOps tech now playing a huge
role (e.g., continuous integration,
containerisation)

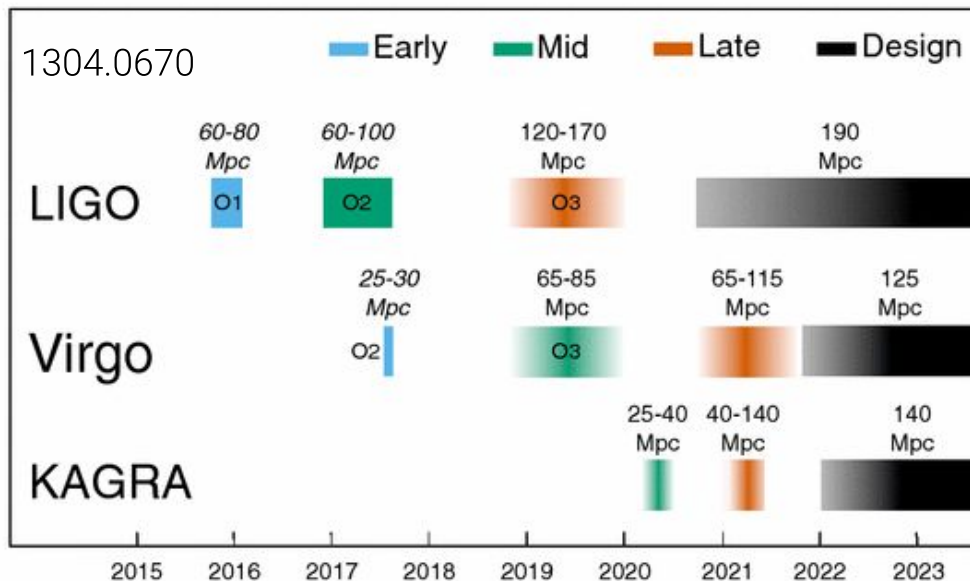
Synergy in LIGO-HTCondor-OSG
community paying dividends

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GW Forecast

O3 now running for 7 weeks:

- 9 BBH (cf. ~few / week)
- 1 - 3 BNS (cf. 1/month - 1/year)
- O3 ends ~April 2020
- KAGRA (Japan) ~late O3



2020+ runs:

- aLIGO/AdVirgo nominal
- 4 - 80 BNS / year

2024+ runs:

- + LIGO India
- 11 - 180 BNS / year

A summary of the data itself:

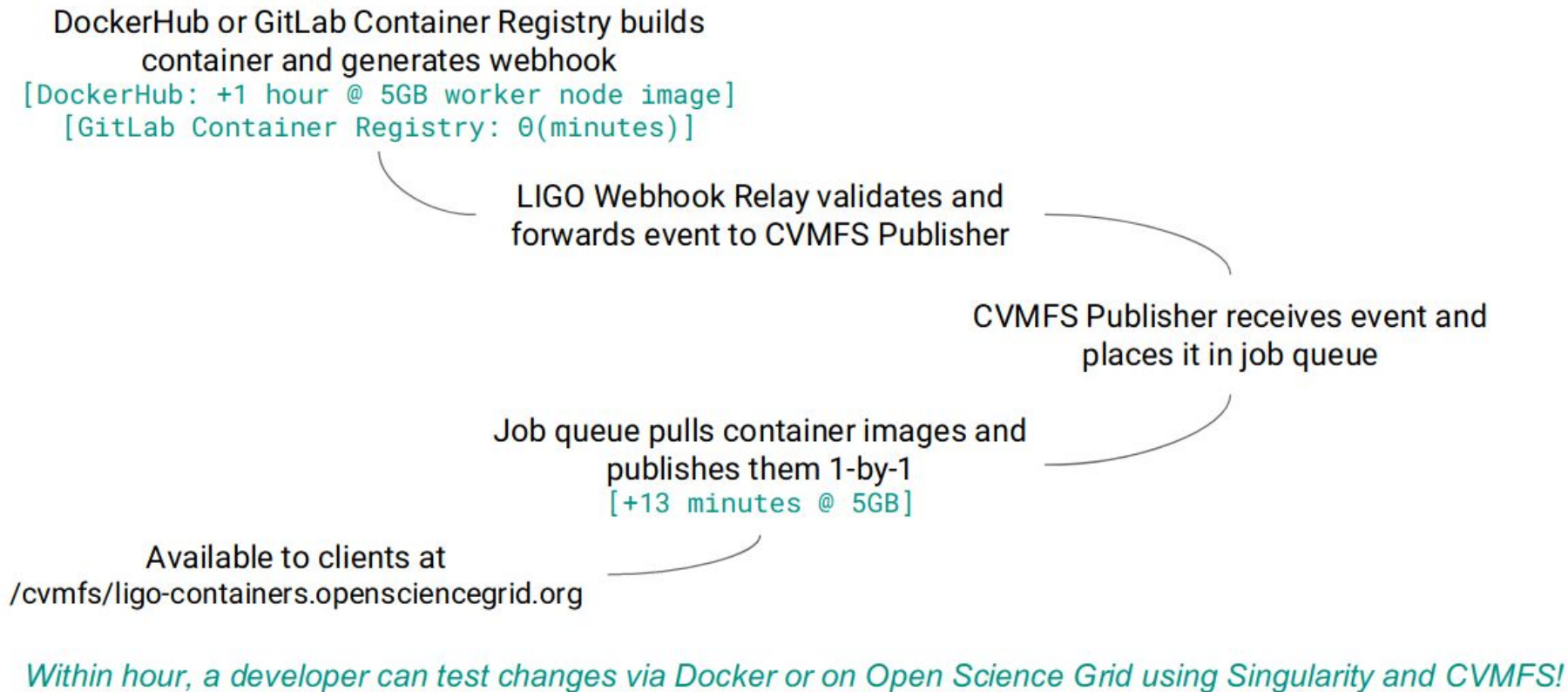
RIFT \rightarrow CVMFS

- updated ~once/year
- public — no authentication or access control needed
- Numerical relativity data sets look like:
- CIT data is $O(100\text{GB})$ total, consisting of $O(100\text{MB})$ HDF5 files
- GTech/RIT data are each $O(100\text{MB})$ total, consisting of $O(1\text{MB})$ files
- New, additional datasets will be released soon which may ~double the dataset size (i.e., probably not order of magnitude increases)
- Also helpful to host "surrogate" data (models for numerical relativity waveforms)
- $O(10)$ waveform files $\sim 10\text{ MB} - 10\text{ GB}$

Usage pattern:

- At any one time, in full production, expect up to $O(10\text{-}20\text{k})$ RIFT jobs running on all LDG & OSG resources from all users
- 1 job runtime ~ 1 hour
- Each numerical relativity job performs a single read operation of up to 20-30 waveform files.
- A surrogate job reads a single surrogate file once

Containers in CVMFS



LIGO Data Flow

