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# Application of Gaussian Mixture Modelling to short all-sky burst search

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# All-sky Short Burst Search

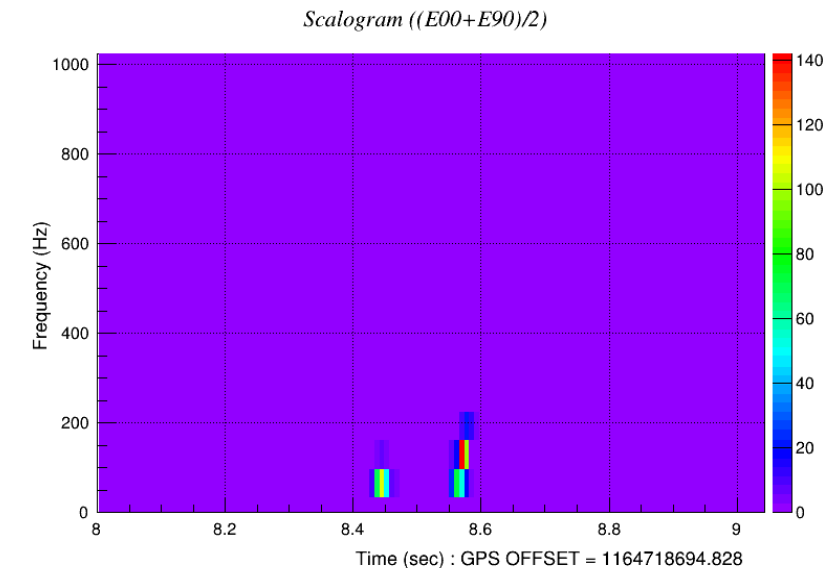
- Burst events: GW transients with generic, un-modelled morphologies
- All-sky short: short duration transients
  - Millisecond to few second, frequency band of 24-4096 Hz
- Searches for generic waveform morphologies & astrophysically motivated waveforms: supernovae and pulsar glitches
- Cannot be detected through usual modelled search algorithms such as matched filtering -> Coherent WaveBurst

# Coherent WaveBurst (cWB)



- Does not require a priori knowledge on morphology, time of arrival, sky-direction, polarisation
- Uses excess coherent energy in time-frequency domain
- Combines data from multiple detectors to create a coherent analysis
- Background is estimated by applying an unphysical time shift (greater than light travel time)
- Noise glitches can be difficult to distinguish from short duration signals
  - Short duration, often have low Quality factor  $Q$

See: <https://gwburst.gitlab.io/>



example of waveform in time-frequency plot

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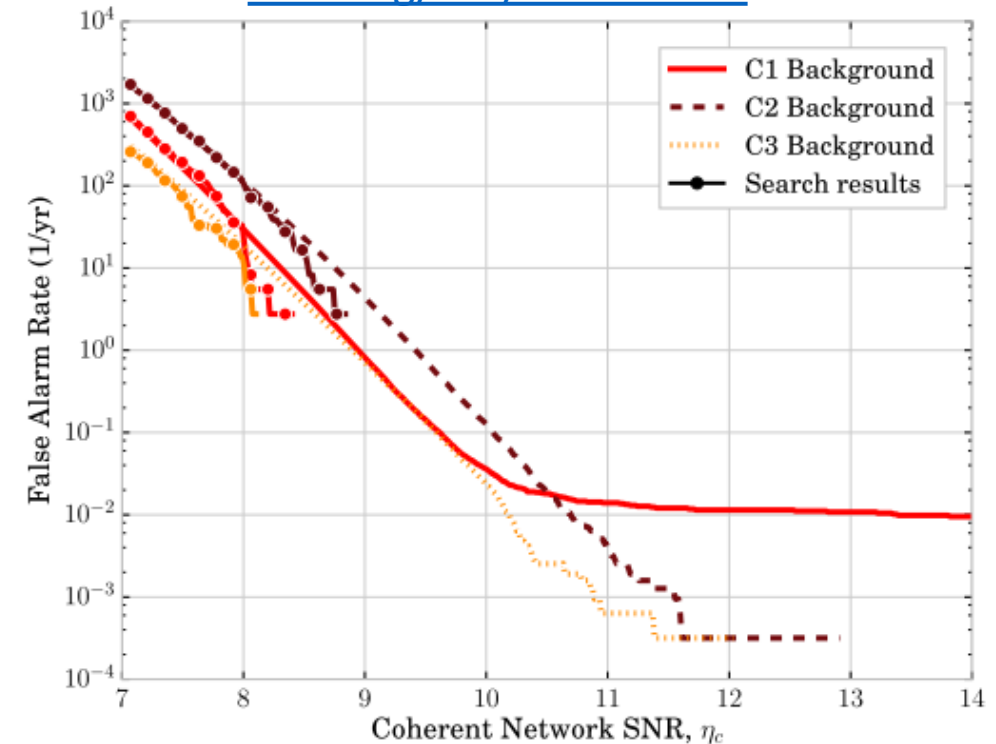


- For standard cWB all-sky search:
  - Done in 2 parts: LF (24-1024Hz) & HF (1024-4096Hz)
  - LF has 3 bins in O3 search:
    - LF1 – signal energy confined mostly to one oscillation (&  $Q \leq 3$ )
    - LF2 –  $Q \leq 3$
    - LF3 – higher  $Q$

Low  $Q$  = wide frequency bandwidth  
High  $Q$  = narrow frequency bandwidth

Bins in this plot are from O1 – shows benefit of using bins

[arxiv.org/abs/1611.02972](https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.02972)

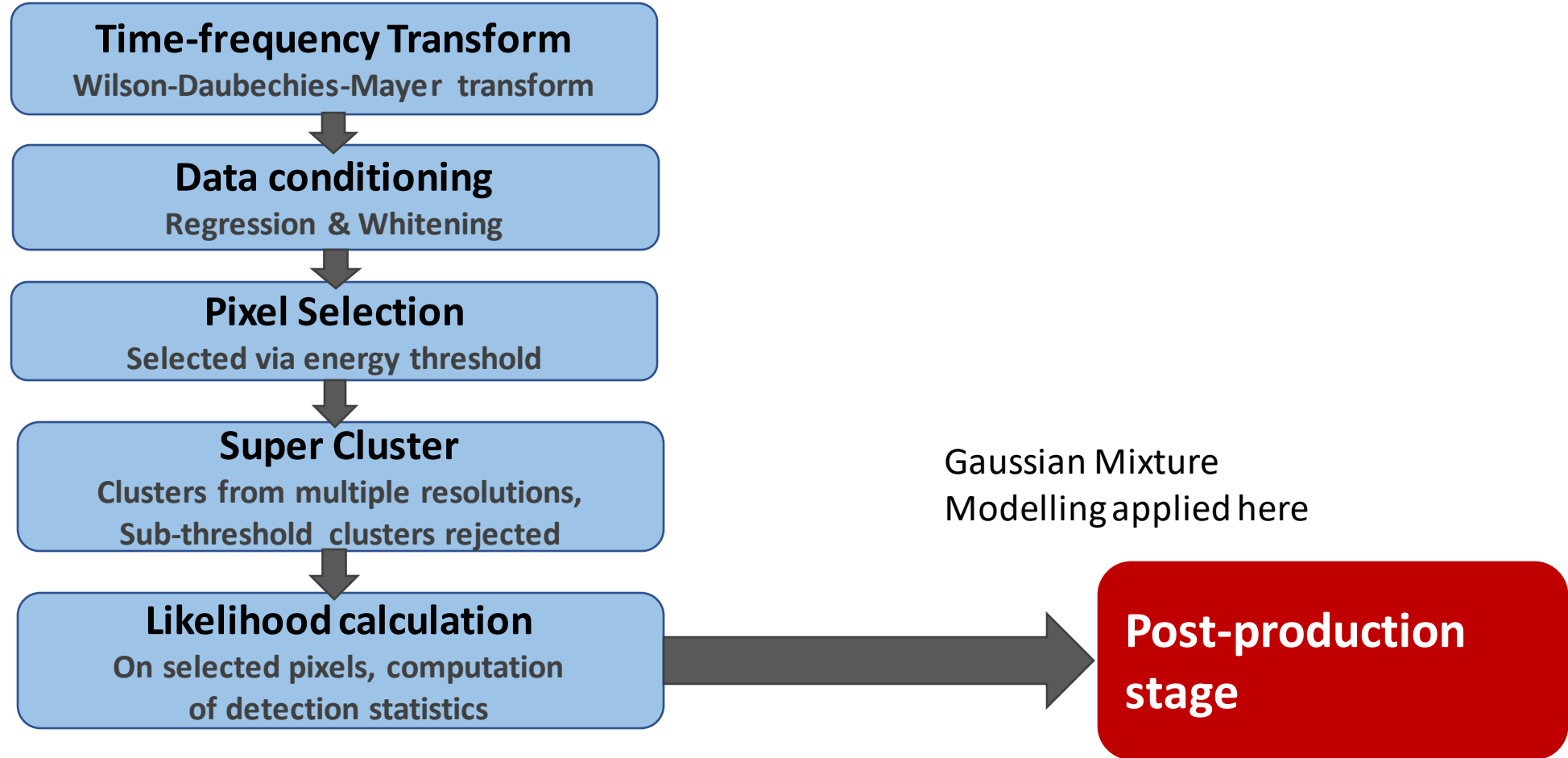


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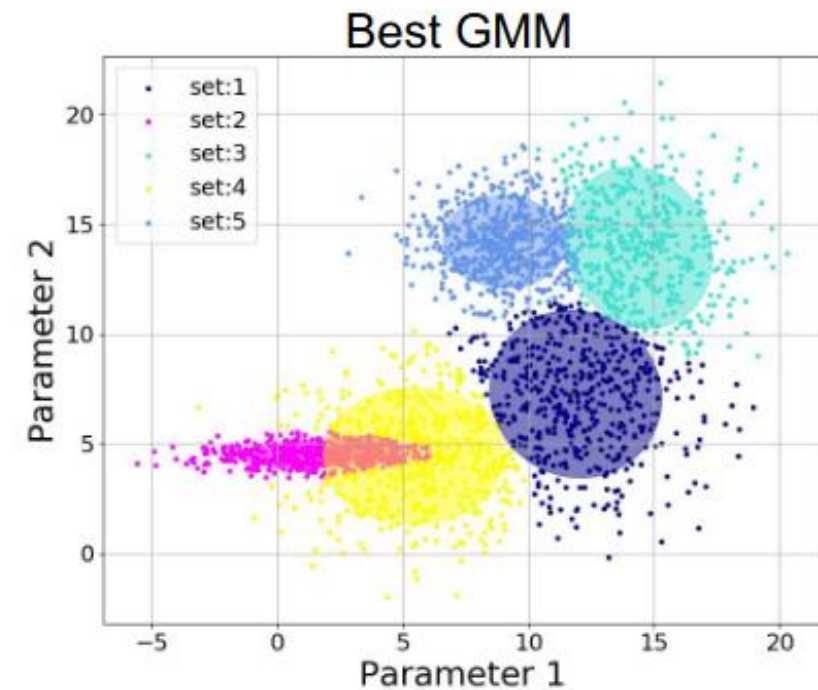
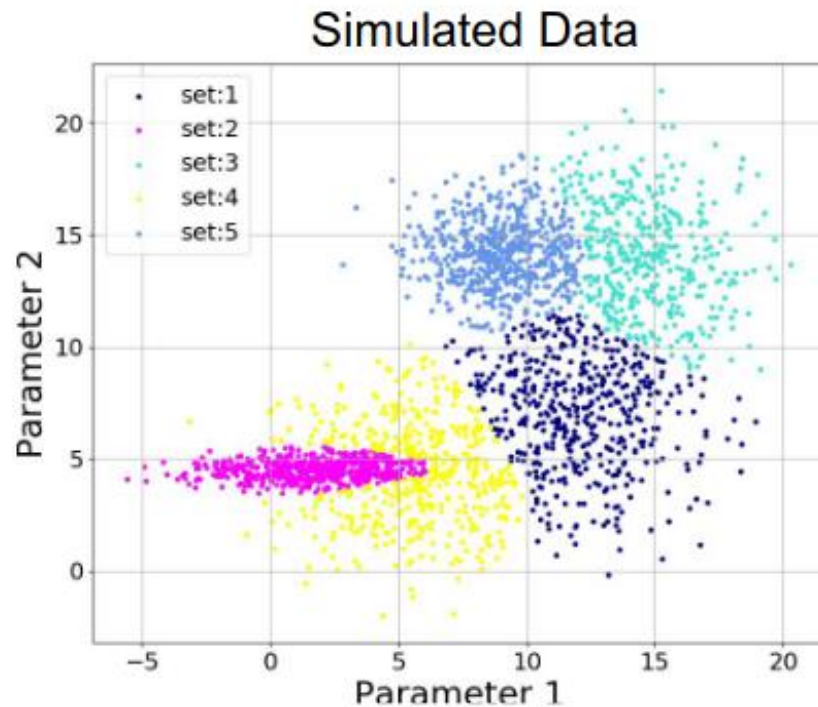
	Attribute	Definition
	$f_o$	Central frequency
	$\mathcal{T}$	Duration
	$\eta_c$	Coherent network SNR
network correlation coefficients	$c_{c0}$	$c_{c0} = E_c / ( E_c  + E_n)$
	$c_{c2}$	$c_{c2} = (E_c \times c_{c0}) / ( E_c  + E_n)$
	$N_{ED}$	Energy disbalance between detectors
	$E_c$	Coherent energy
	$N_{norm}$	Ratio between reconstructed energy & total energy
	$\chi^2$	Residual noise energy measure
	$Q_{veto0}$	Energy distribution of event over different time segments
	$Q_{veto1}$	Quality factor
	$L_{veto0}$	Central frequency of reconstructed signal (identifies narrow band glitches)
	$L_{veto1}$	Root mean square frequency of reconstructed signal
	$L_{veto2}$	Energy ratio between pixel energy and total energy of event

# Coherent WaveBurst (cWB)



# Gaussian Mixture Modelling (GMM)

- Supervised machine learning method
- Probabilistic model which uses uni-modal Gaussian distributions to represent a multi-modal data set
- Allows for sub-populations to be identified in data and modelled as a superposition of Gaussians



example  
with [sklearn](#)  
[package](#)

# Gaussian Mixture Modelling (GMM)

- Data  $\mathbf{x}$  has  $d$  attributes. Modelled by GMM as a superposition of  $K$  Gaussians:

$$p(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^K w_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \Sigma_j)$$

- Gaussian distribution  $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_i | \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \Sigma_j)$  has  $d$ -dimensional mean  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_j$ ,  $d \times d$  covariance matrix  $\Sigma_j$ , a weight on each Gaussian of  $w_j$

- Individual log-likelihood:  $\ln(\mathcal{L}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(p(\mathbf{x}_i | \Theta)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^K w_j \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}_i | \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \Sigma_j) \right\}$

$$\Theta := w_j, \boldsymbol{\mu}_j, \Sigma_j, \{j = 1, \dots, K\}$$

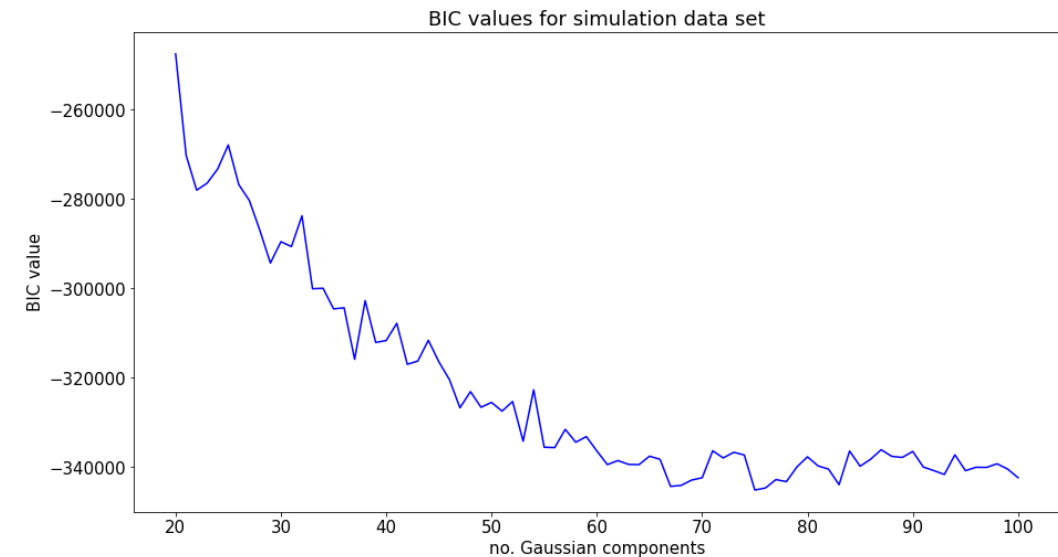


# Gaussian Mixture Modelling (GMM)

- Model parameters estimated through Expectation maximisation (EM) technique
  - Cannot predict optimal no. Gaussians
- Account for overfitting of data through Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC):
  - For  $n$  no. of attributes and given no. of Gaussians  $K$ , and max likelihood  $\hat{\mathcal{L}}$  :

$$BIC = K \ln(n) - 2 \ln(\hat{\mathcal{L}})$$

- Lowest BIC score gives optimal number of Gaussian components



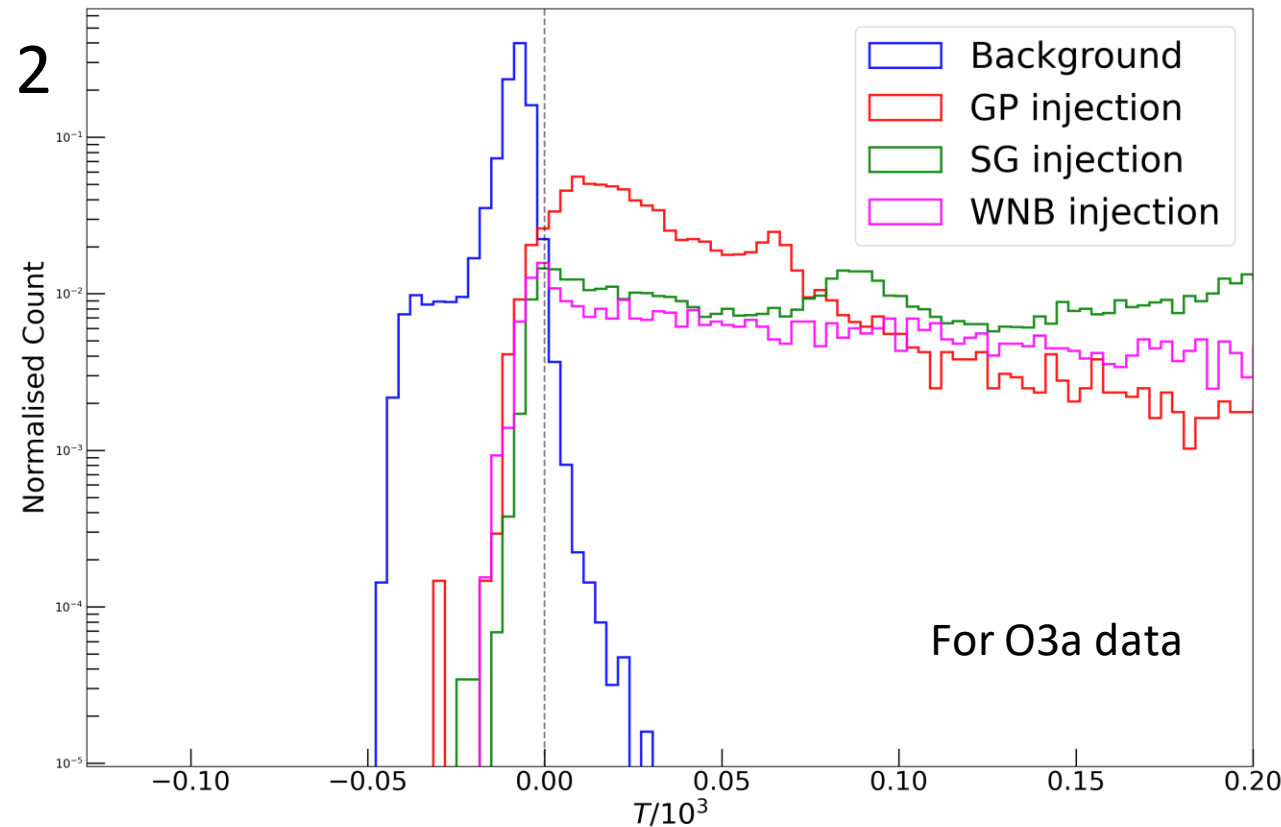
# Gaussian Mixture Modelling (GMM)

- Maximum log-likelihood:  $W = \ln(\hat{\mathcal{L}}) |_{\hat{K}}$

- Noise and signals are distinguished as 2 separate models
- Detection statistic for each trigger:

$$T = W_s - W_n$$

- Clear separation between the signal and background distributions



# Application to cWB

- Applied at post-production stage of cWB
- No need to separate into bins
  - removes need to use trial factor
- Use of 11 cWB defined attributes
- Re-parametrisation of attributes gives optimal results
  - New parameter introduced:  $L_{\text{ratio}} = L_{\text{veto1}}/L_{\text{veto0}}$

Original attribute set	Re-parametrized attribute set
$\eta_c$	$\log_{10}(\eta_c)$
$c_{c0}$	$\text{logit}(c_{c0})$
$c_{c2}$	$\text{logit}(c_{c2})$
$N_{ED}$	$\log_{10}(N_{ED} + 10^3)$
$E_c$	$\log_{10}(E_c)$
$N_{\text{norm}}$	$N_{\text{norm}}$
$\chi^2$	$\chi^2$
$Q_{\text{veto0}}$	$\log_{10}(Q_{\text{veto0}} + 1)$
$Q_{\text{veto1}}$	$\log_{10}(Q_{\text{veto1}})$
$L_{\text{ratio}}$	$\text{logit}(L_{\text{ratio}})$
$L_{\text{veto2}}$	$\text{logit}(L_{\text{veto2}} \times 0.99)$

# GMM on O3a all sky data

- Consider triggers with  $\eta_c$  (SNR)  $>$  5.5 &  $c_c$  (cross-correlation)  $>$  0.5 in HL network
- Simulated signals used for training
  - Consists of Sine-Gaussian (SQ), Gaussian Pulse (GP) and White Noise Burst (WNB) events

Sine-Gaussian Burst (SGW)			
No.	$f_0$ (Hz)	$Q$	-
1	70	3	-
2	70	9	-
3	70	100	-
4	100	9	-
5	153	9	-
6	235	3	-
7	235	9	-
8	235	100	-
9	361	9	-
10	554	9	-
11	849	3	-
12	849	9	-
13	849	100	-

White-Noise Burst (WNB)			
	$f_{low}$ (Hz)	$\Delta f$ (Hz)	$\tau$ (s)
14	150	100	0.1
15	300	100	0.1
16	750	100	0.1
Gaussian Pulse (GP)			
	-	-	$\tau$ (s)
17	-	-	0.1
18	-	-	1
19	-	-	2.5
20	-	-	4

Paper: [D. Lopez et al. 2021](#)

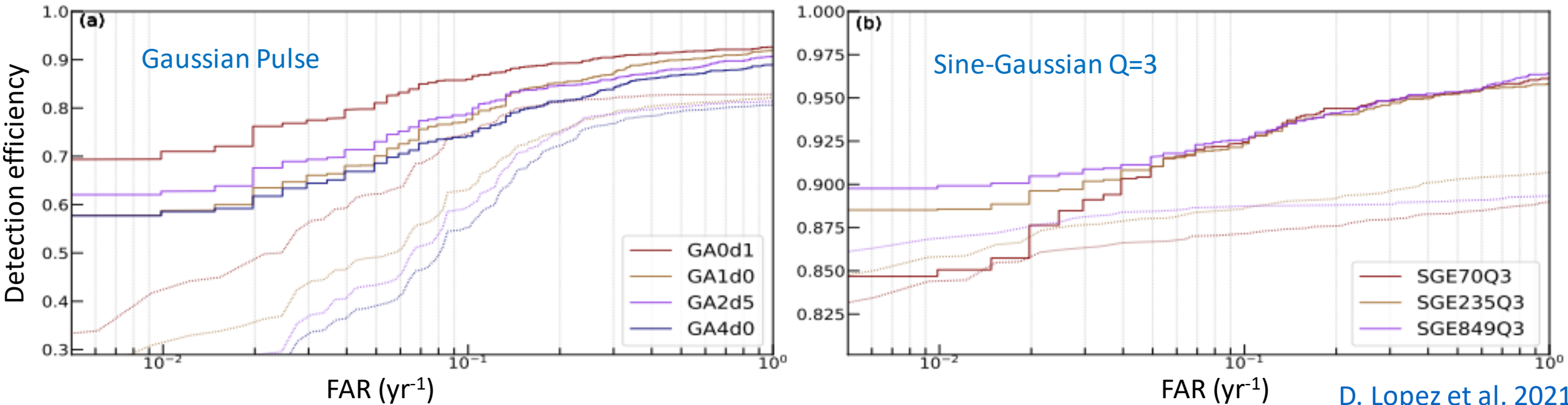
# GMM on O3a all sky data

- Data randomly split into 3 sets
  - 10% for validation
  - 70% for training
  - 20% for testing
- Equal distribution of injected waveforms
- Approx. 1000 years of background data
  - Only tested on 200 years due to other data being used for training

# Results – injected waveforms

- Efficiency calculated based on T
- Best improvement on detection efficiency for GP
  - often fall into bin containing a population of very short and very loud blip-type glitches
- GP has improvement of  $\sim x125$  in sensitive volume

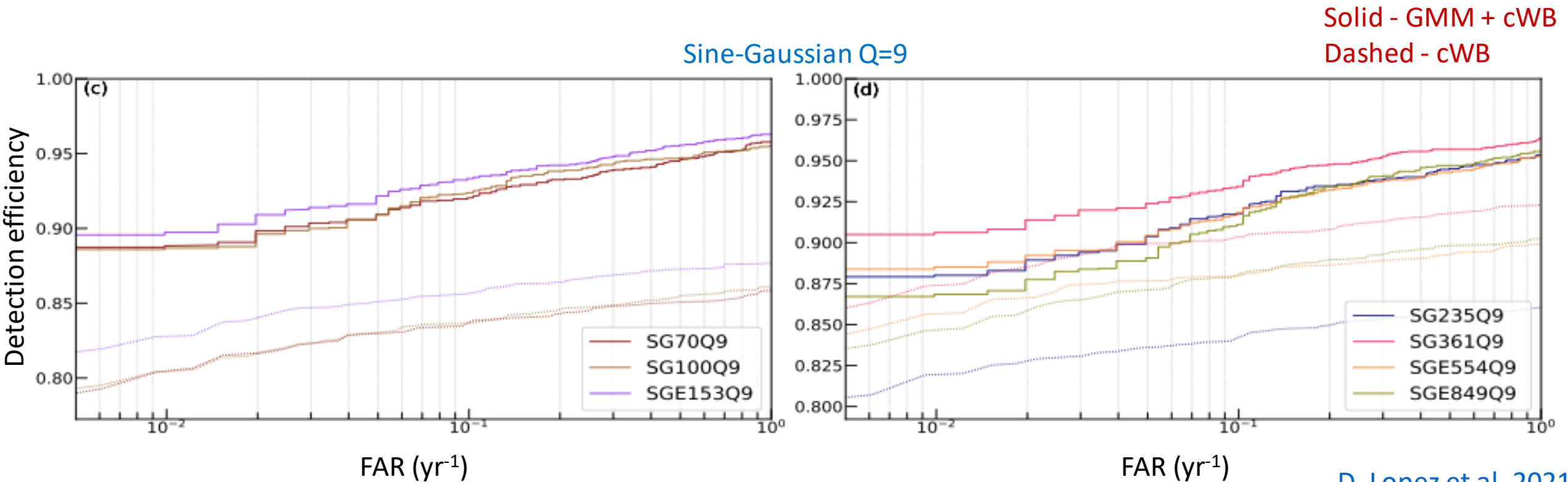
Solid - GMM + cWB  
Dashed - cWB



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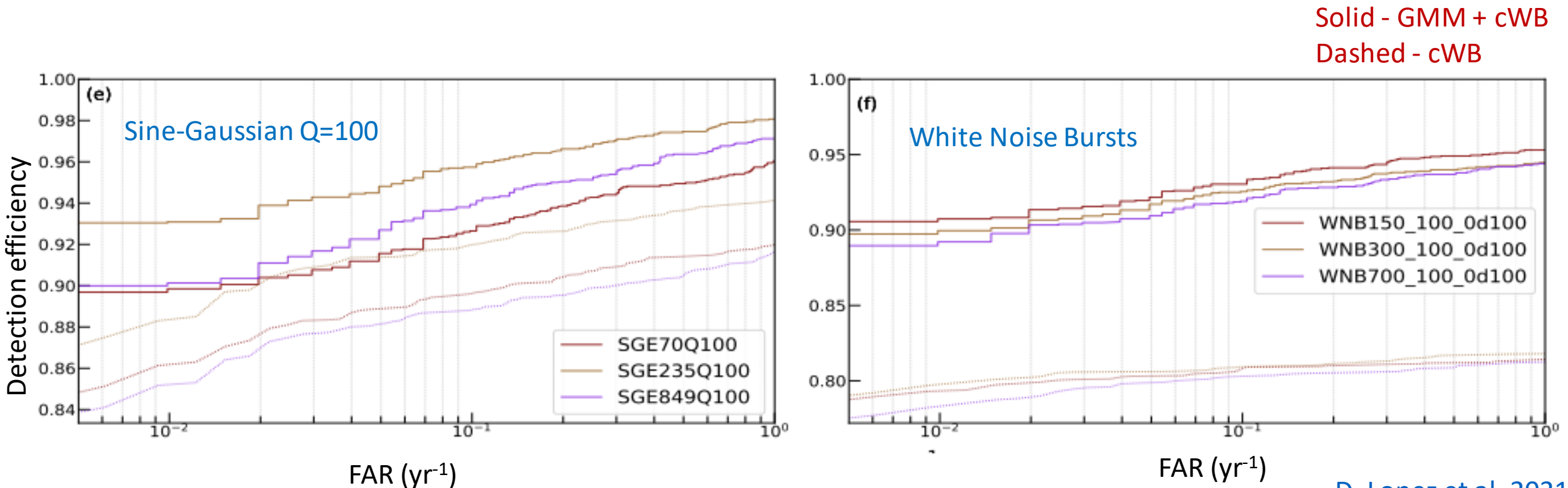
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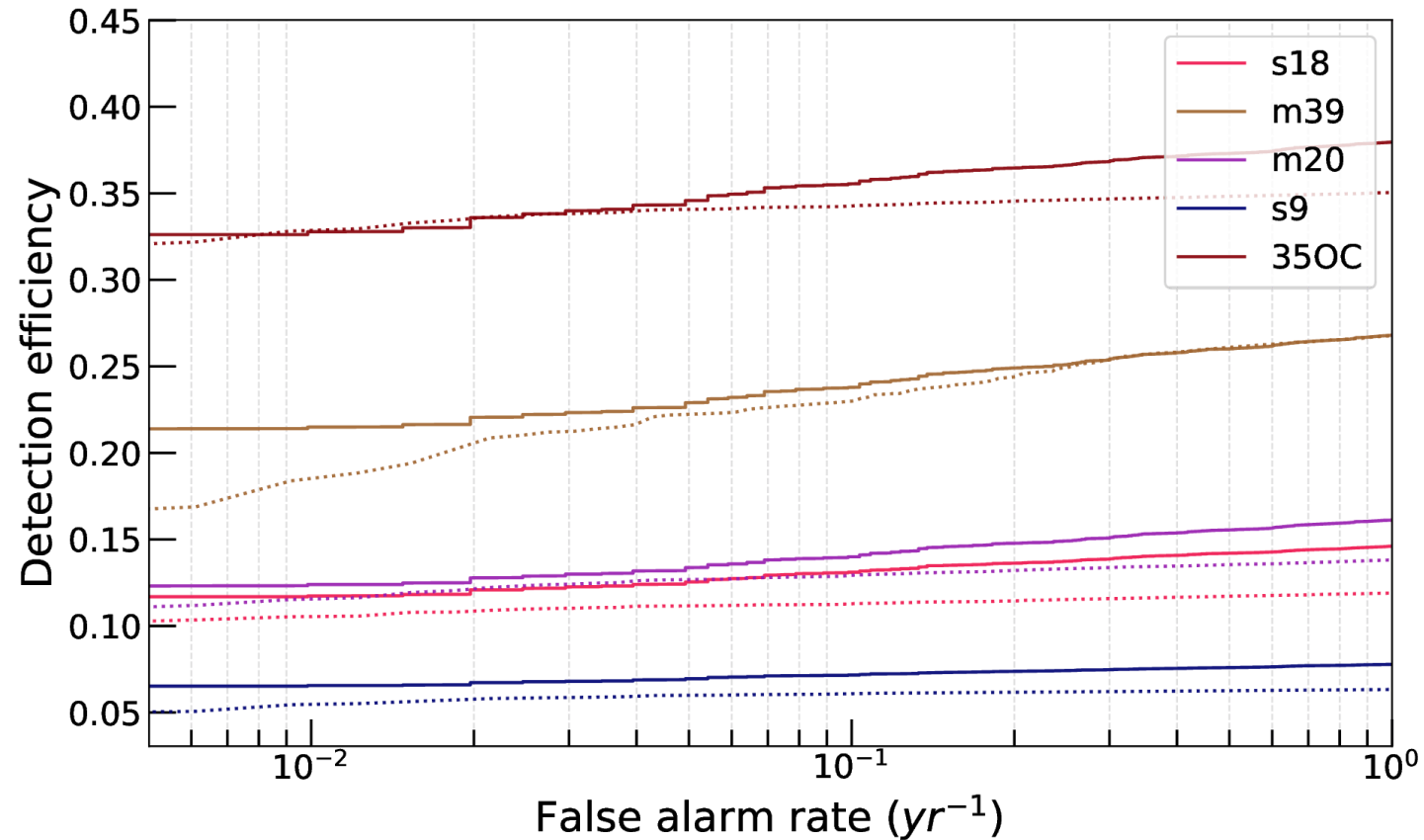


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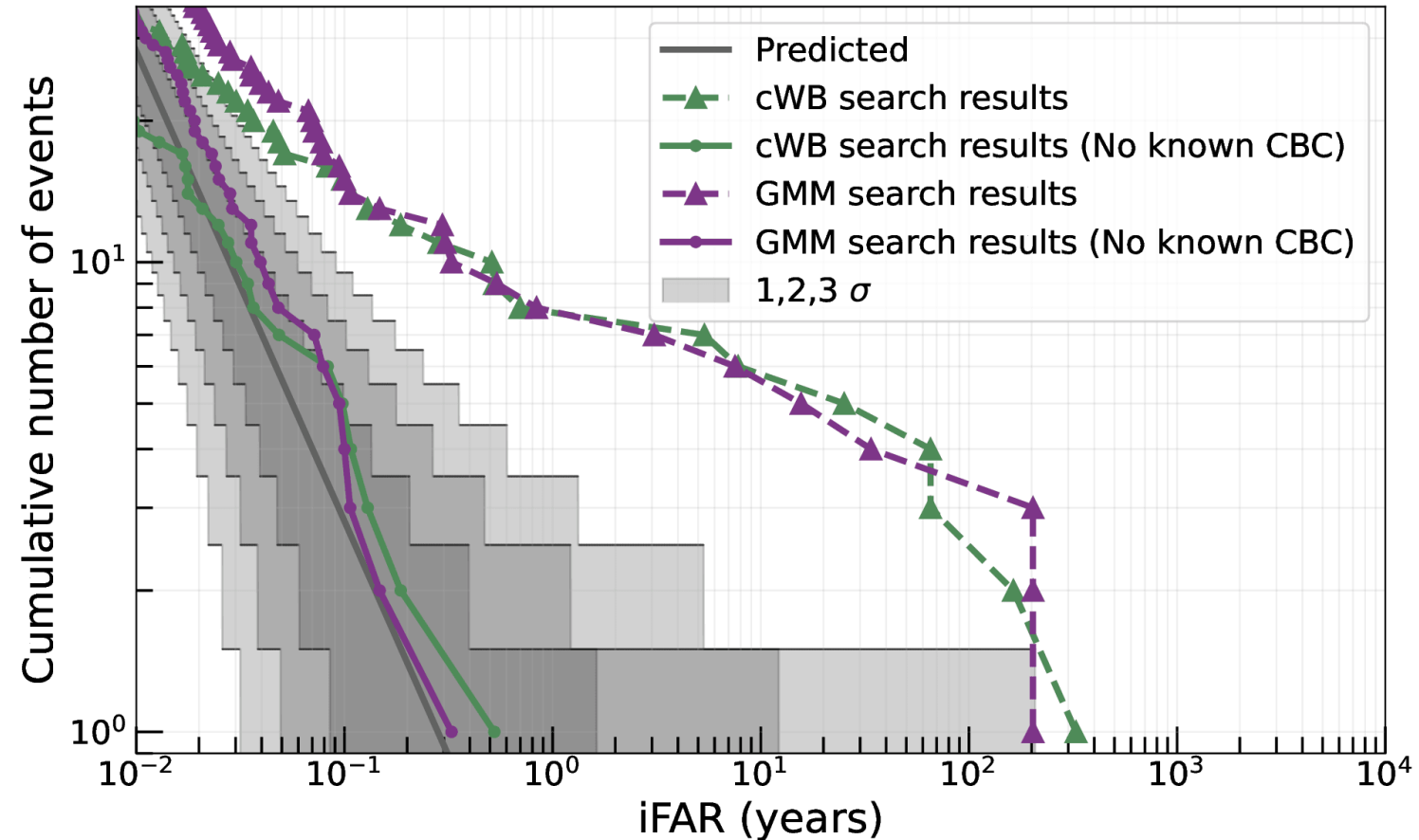
# Results – CCSN injections

- CCSN waveforms were not included in training set
  - Tests robustness over variety of morphologies
- Largest improvement seen for m39 type SN
- Comparative efficiency for other models, however still has improvement



# Results

- Recovers all CBC events identified by targeted cWB search
- Higher significance for some events than found with standard cWB
- Less sensitive to low-mass BBH systems
  - Potentially due to injected signals used



# Summary

- cWB plus GMM enhances the detection performance for generic morphologies
  - improved detection probability at given FAR across simulated waveforms
  - Typical improvement of 1.33 in sensitive volume, 125 for GP
- Assists with classification of blip glitches
- Improvement in CCSNe injections demonstrates robustness
- Work currently being done to make available for O4 run

Papers: method: [arxiv:2008.01262](https://arxiv.org/abs/2008.01262) , application to O3a: [arxiv:2112.06608](https://arxiv.org/abs/2112.06608)

For O3a simulations:

- SG & GP injected over grid of max strain values given by  $h_{rss} = (\sqrt{3})^N 5 \times 10^{-23} \text{ Hz}^{-1/2}$
- WNB injected uniform in square of signal distance