

# Overview of O3 cosmological results

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# The standard cosmological model?

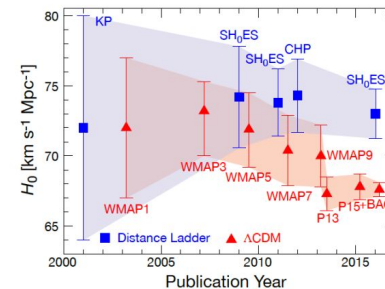
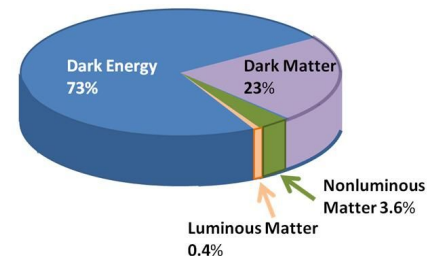
According to General Relativity, and confirmed by many observations, the Universe is expanding with a rate described by

$$\frac{H(z)}{H_0} = \sqrt{\Omega_{m,0}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{\Lambda} + \Omega_r(1+z)^4 + \Omega_k(1+z)^2}$$

**Hubble constant**      **Dark matter**      **Dark energy**      **Radiation**      **Curvature**

Despite its success in the standard cosmological model suffers:

- **Theoretical problems:** What is the nature of Dark Energy?
- **Observational problems:** Why the measure of the Hubble constant does not agree at the level of the CMB and today? (There is  $\sim 5$  sigma [A. Reiss, arxiv: 2112.04510] discrepancy)



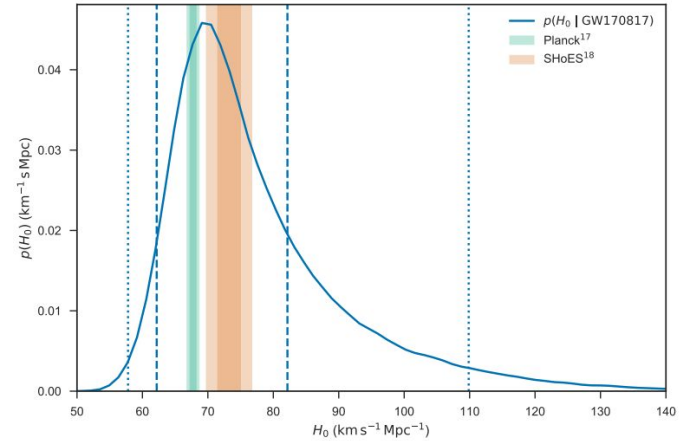
New  $H_0$  from Sh0ES available arxiv: 2112.04510

*W. Freedman, Nature Astronomy, 1, 0169 (2017)*

# GW170817



- A BNS merger at  $\sim 40$  Mpc.
- The identified hosting galaxy, NGC4993, is located at redshift  $\sim 0.01$ .
- GW arrived 1.74s before its associated GRB.



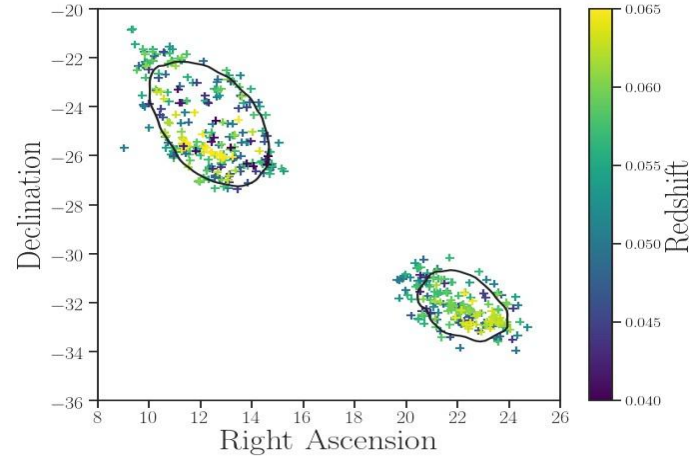
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Gray, *SM+*, 2020 PRD

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- **Cons:** Need to keep under control galaxy catalog completeness



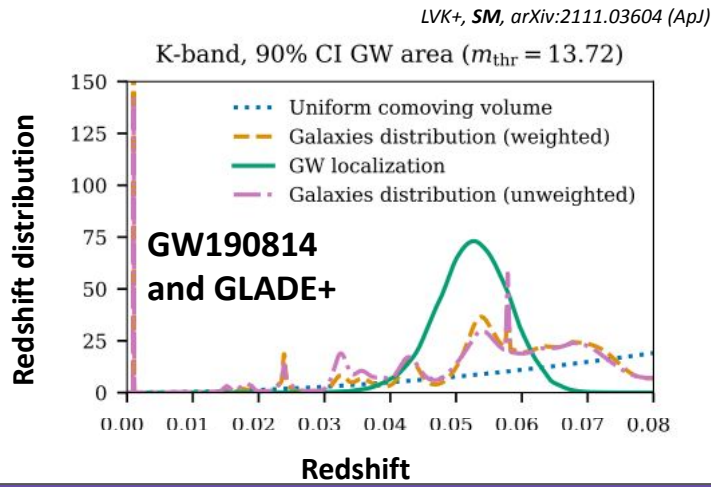
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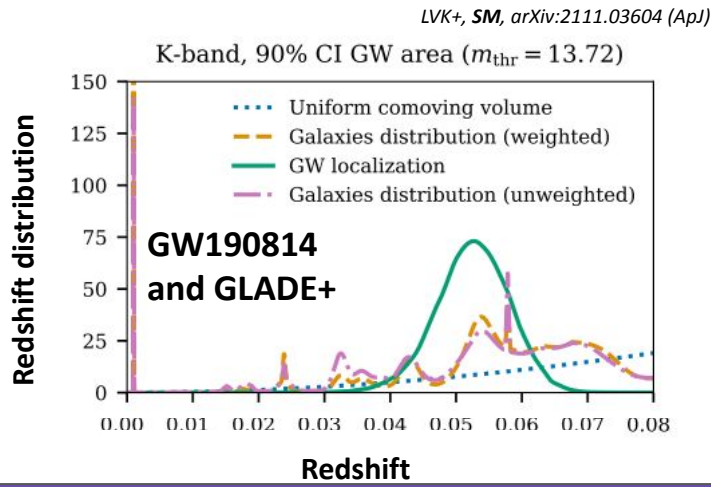
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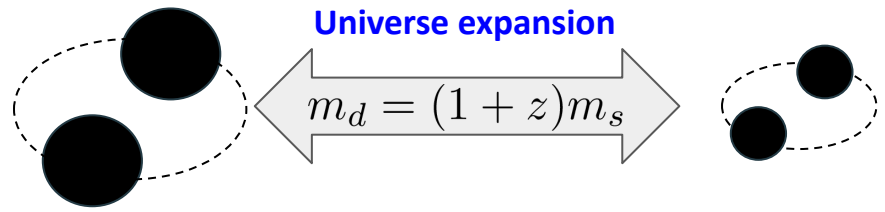
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*SM*, Karathanasis+, 2021 PRD

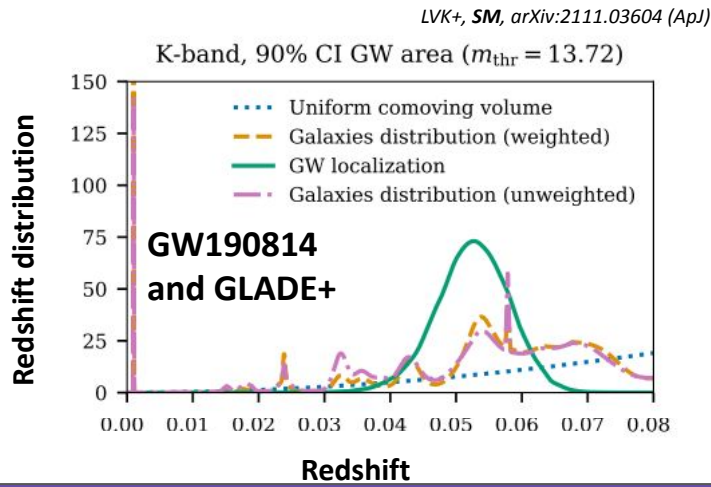
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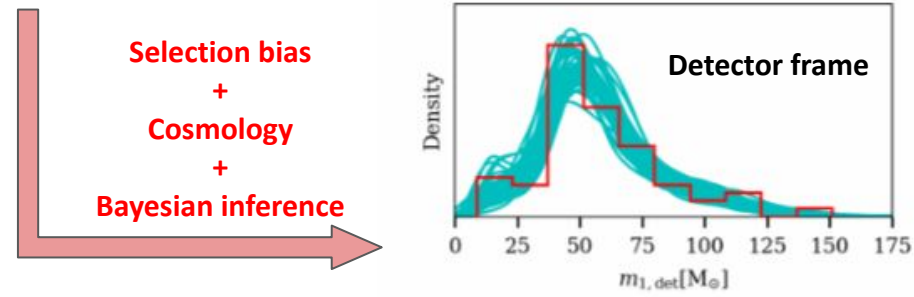
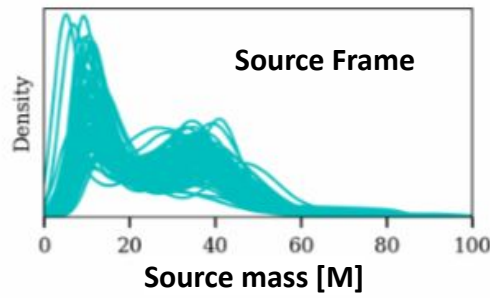
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Selection bias  
+  
Cosmology  
+  
Bayesian inference

# How do we measure the redshift?

## Methods based on complementary observations

- Direct EM counterparts: e.g. a GRB, Kilonova or AGN flare
- Statistical association with galaxy surveys
- GW clustering properties
- Quadruply lensed GW events

## Methods based on Astrophysical Models

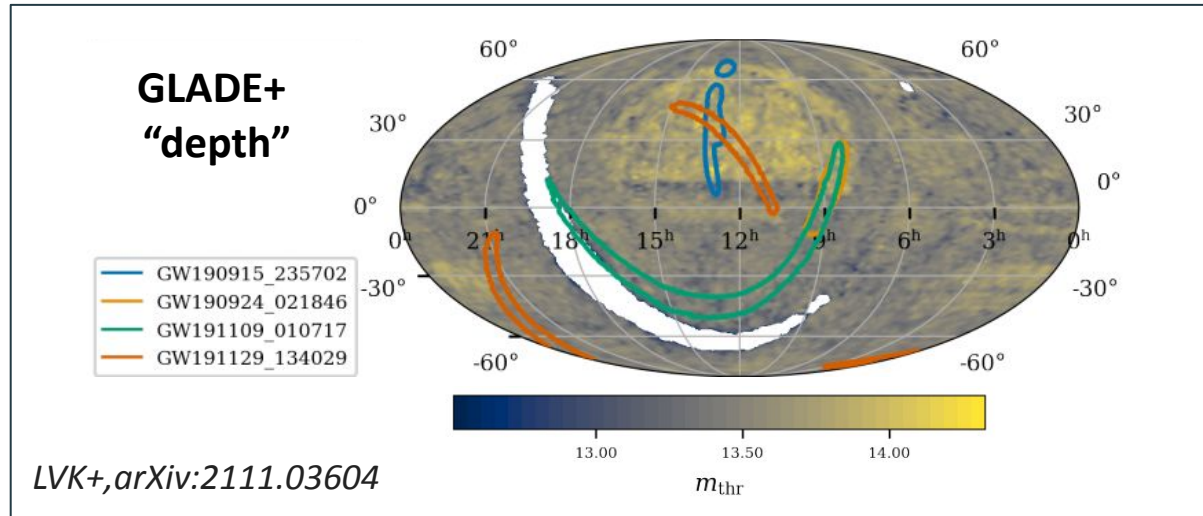
- Knowledge of the star formation rate
- Source-frame mass knowledge **NEWS!**
- Equation of state and Tidal deformability



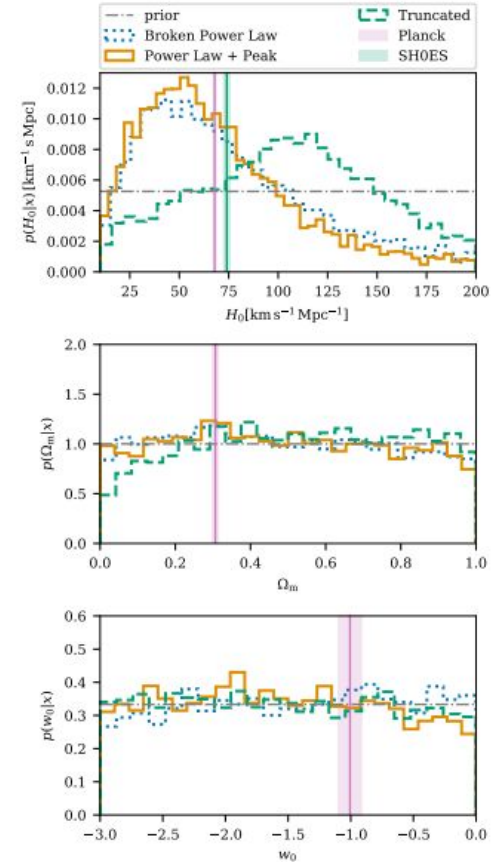
# Latest results with O3 from the LVK collaboration

We presented two analyses to infer cosmological parameters with Dark Standard Sirens in [\[LVK+, arXiv:2111.03604\]](#)

- **Joint cosmological and source mass analysis:** We use 42 confident BBHs with detected SNR>11.
- **Dark siren analysis with the GLADE+ [\[G. Dalya+, arXiv:2110.06184\]](#) catalog:** All the 47 Compact binaries events with SNR>11.

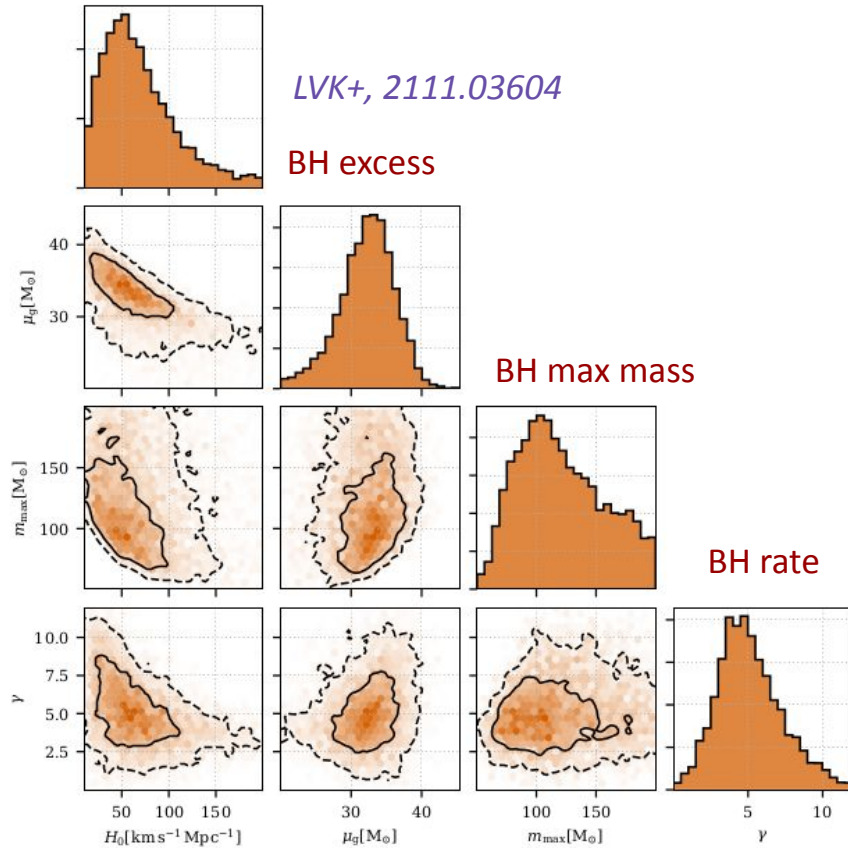


- We inferred jointly the source mass distribution of BBHs and the value of the Hubble constant, Dark Matter fraction and and Dark Energy Equation of State parameter.
- We employed 3 phenomenological mass models: A truncated power law, a power law+peak and a broken power law.
- We obtain that the truncated power law model is disfavored w.r.t the other two by a factor of  $\sim 100$ .
- For the two preferred models we obtain consistent constraints on the Hubble constant.



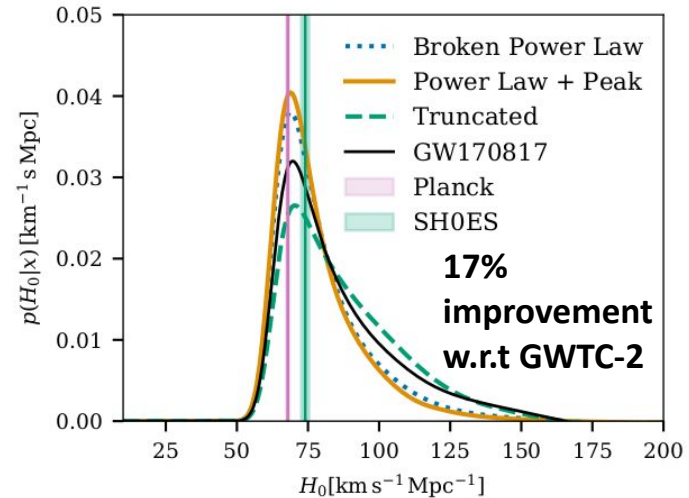
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# Latest O3 results from the LVK collaboration: source mass



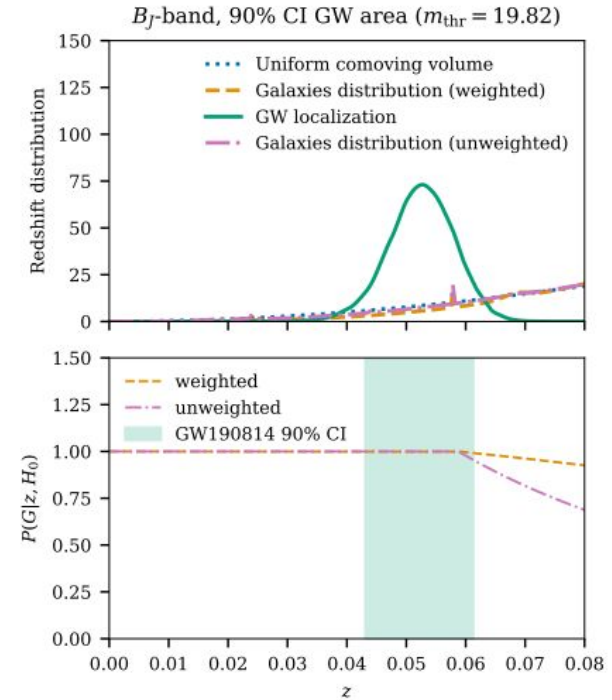
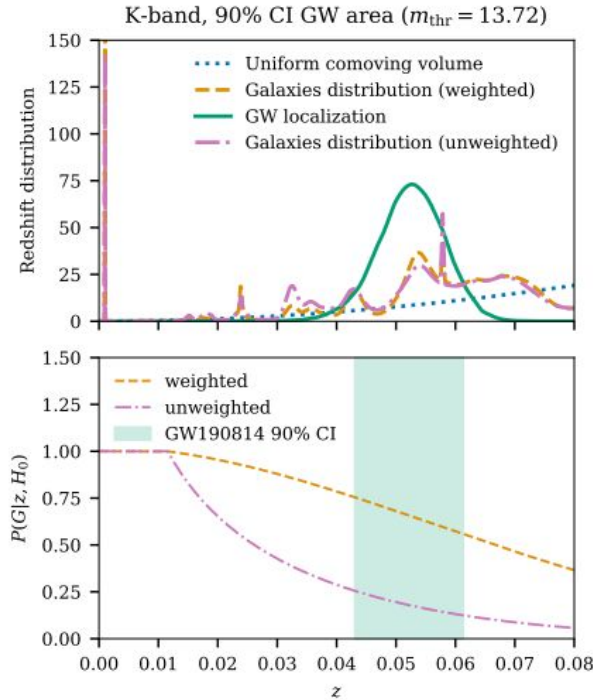
- BBHs population parameters that correlate with the determination of the Hubble constant are parameters governing source mass features in the spectrum and the rate evolution parameter.

## Combining with GW170817



# Latest O3 results from the LVK collaboration: Galaxy catalogs

- The best localized event from O1, O2 and O3 without EM counterpart is GW190814.
- Apart from G190814, GLADE+ is highly incomplete for most of the GW events considered.

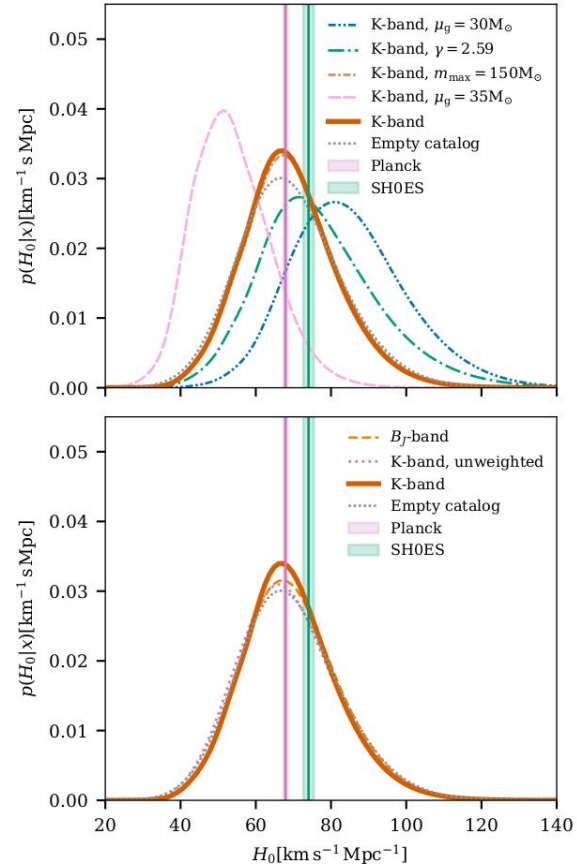
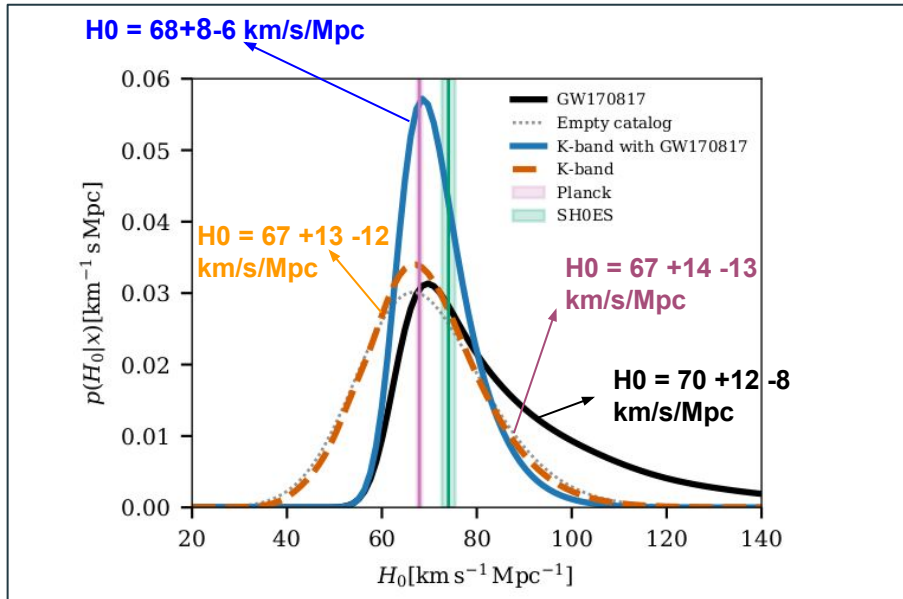


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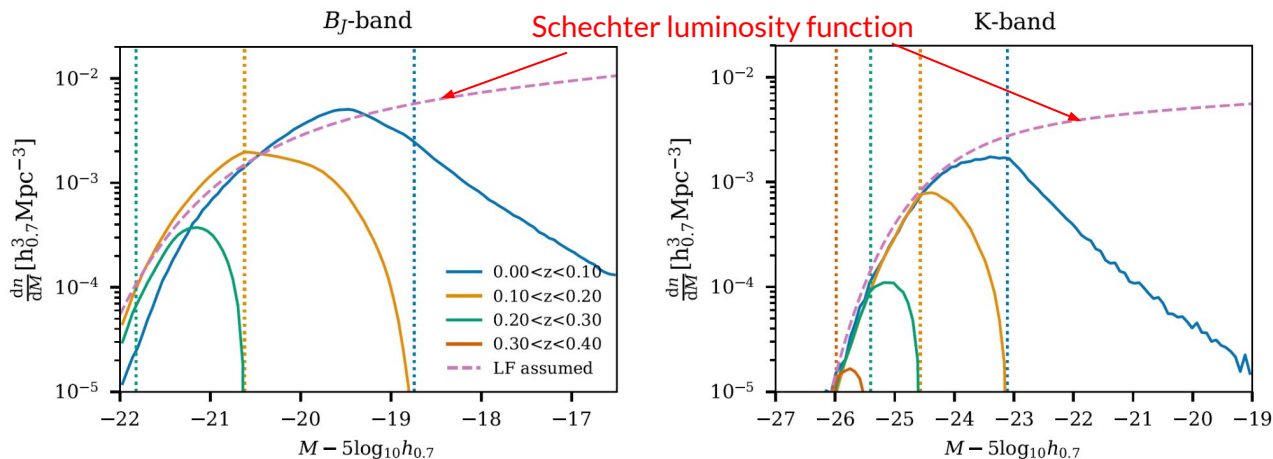
- The galaxy catalog results are dominated by the BHs population assumptions.
- This is due to the incompleteness of the galaxy catalog and the large localization error for the GW events.



# Latest O3 results from the LVK collaboration: Robustness of assumptions

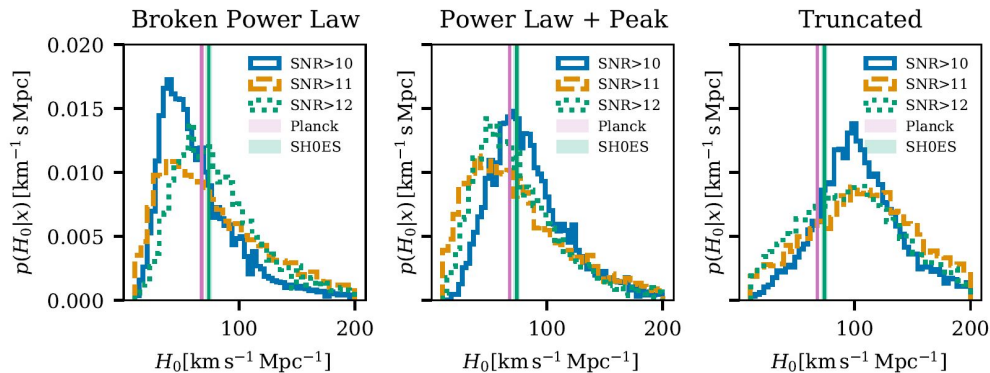
Observed vs predicted  
abs mag distributions,  
binned by redshift

Motivates choice  
of K-band for our  
main results



Changing SNR cut produces  
consistent  $H_0$  posteriors.

Population excess at  $\sim 35$  solar  
masses observed for each SNR  
cut



## Latest O3 results from the LVK collaboration

Description	Galaxy catalog	BBH mass model	$H_0^{\text{HDI}}$	$H_0^{\text{sym}}$
			[ $\text{km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ ]	[ $\text{km s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ ]
No galaxy catalog, Marginalizing over population model, 42 events	-	TRUNCATED	$109^{+43}_{-54} (69^{+21}_{-8})$	$104^{+74}_{-77} (79^{+44}_{-19})$
	-	POWER LAW + PEAK	$50^{+37}_{-30} (68^{+12}_{-8})$	$62^{+90}_{-42} (72^{+30}_{-13})$
	-	BROKEN POWER LAW	$44^{+52}_{-24} (68^{+13}_{-8})$	$66^{+98}_{-47} (73^{+34}_{-14})$
Using galaxy catalog, Fixed population model, 47 events	GLADE+ K-band	POWER LAW + PEAK	$67^{+13}_{-12} (68^{+8}_{-6})$	$68^{+25}_{-21} (70^{+17}_{-13})$
	GLADE+ $B_J$ -band	POWER LAW + PEAK	$67^{+14}_{-12} (68^{+9}_{-6})$	$69^{+25}_{-23} (71^{+18}_{-12})$

- First determination of the Hubble constant with source mass of BBHs, improving results from GWTC-2 by 17%.
- GLADE+ Galaxy catalog results are strongly dominated by BBHs population assumptions. The only event informative on the Hubble constant with GLADE+ is GW190814.
- Results on Hubble constant are consistent with works using DESI and well localized GW events [A. Palmese+, *arXiv:2111.06445*] from O3 and studies using GLADE and well localized sources from O3a [Finke et al *JCAP08(2021)026*] and O3 studies with mass functions [Mancarella+, *arXiv:2112.05728*].

# Future challenges for GW cosmology (a not-complete list)

- **GW signal challenges:**

- Effect of non-stationary noise on the determination of cosmological parameters [*S. Mozzon+ arXiv:2110.11731*].
- Data miscalibration could bias the Hubble constant estimation for high SNR events.
- Inclusion of physically motivated calibration models [*E. Payne+, PRD, 102, 122004 (2020)*].
- **Waveform approximant systematics and inclusion of spins.**

- **Population challenges:**

- **Redshift dependent models for mass distributions of compact objects.**
- Strong and weak lensing.

- **Electromagnetic emission challenges:**

- Low-latency identification of the transient EM emission when we are provided with  $\sim 10$  events per week.
- **Systematics bias of the EM emission detection due to collimated emission** [*H. Chen, PRL. 125, 201301 (2020)*].
- EM emission for BBHs and NSBH? What are their systematic biases?

- **Galaxy catalogs challenges:**

- **All-sky and deep galaxy survey.**
- **Systematics in Photometric and spectroscopic redshift reconstructions.**
- Effect of galaxy clustering and completeness description of the catalog.

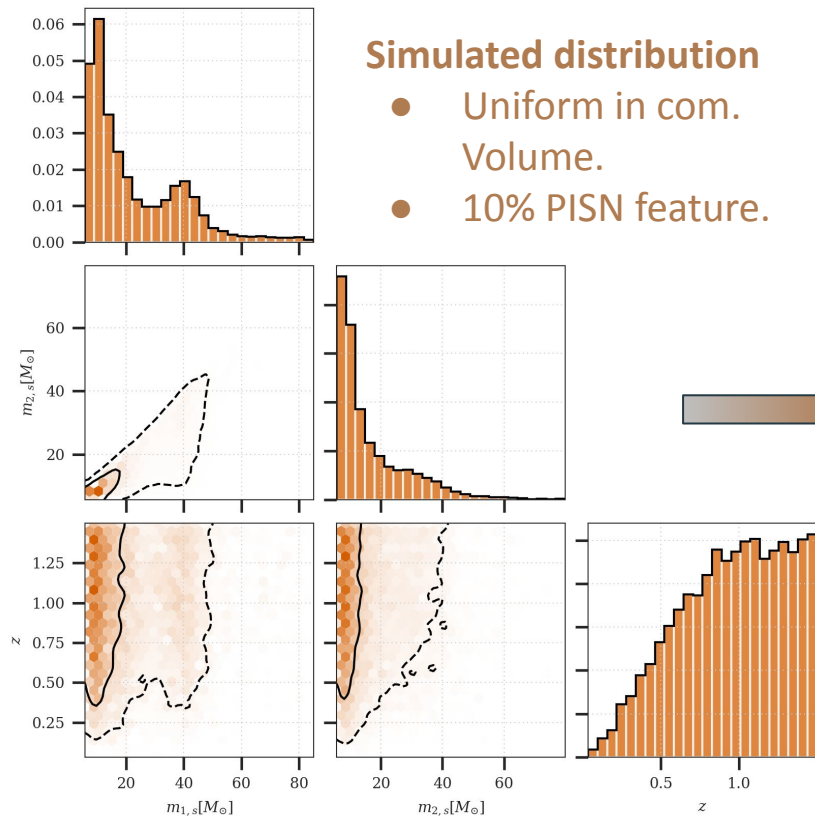


## Backup slides

# The selection bias

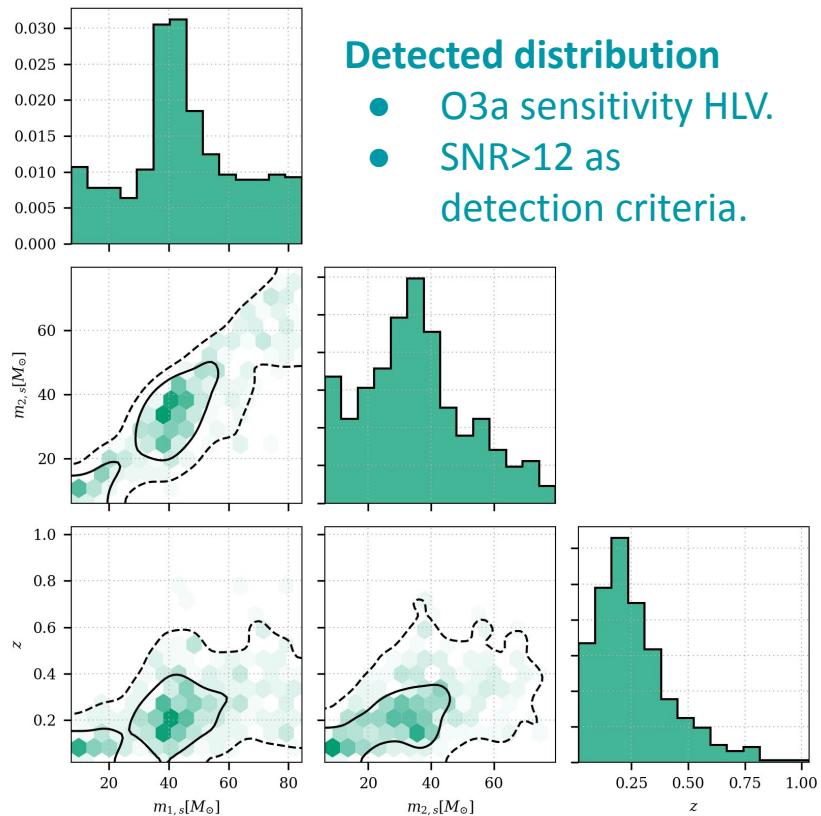
## Simulated distribution

- Uniform in com. Volume.
- 10% PISN feature.



## Detected distribution

- O3a sensitivity HLV.
- SNR > 12 as detection criteria.

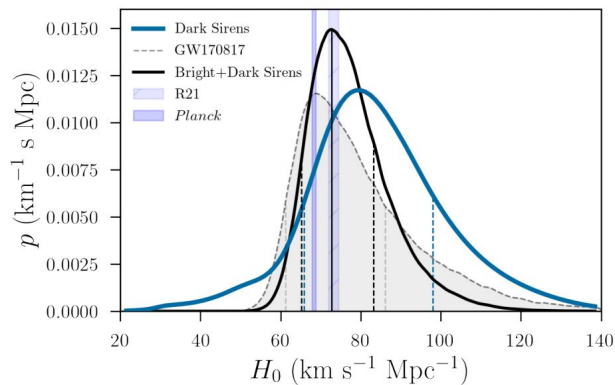


# The selection bias

The inference of the population properties requires knowledge of astrophysics, data analyses and detector properties

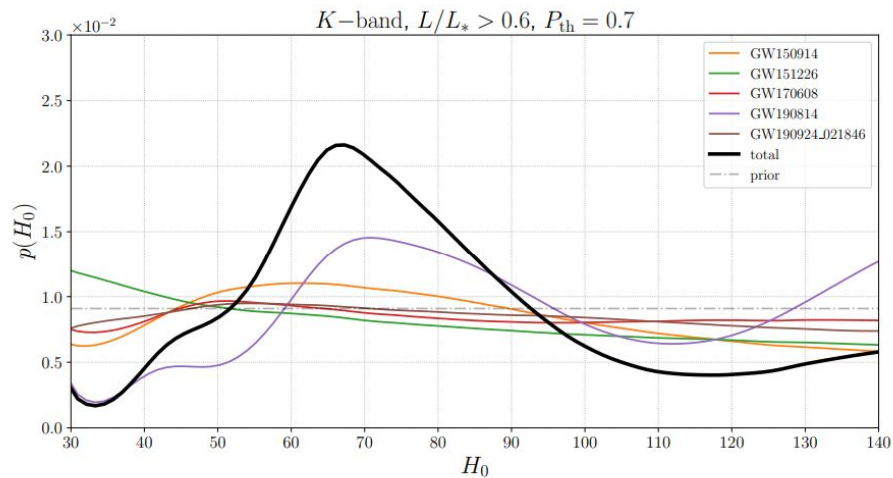
$$\mathcal{L}(x|\Lambda, N) = e^{-N_{\text{exp}}(\Lambda)} N_{\text{exp}}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \frac{\int \mathcal{L}(x_i|\theta, \Lambda) \pi(\theta|\Lambda) d\theta}{\frac{N_{\text{exp}}}{N}}$$

- Poisson distribution: Informative on the events rate.
- Astrophysical motivated prior (we infer it).
- Gravitational-wave likelihood of the single event (parameter estimation)
- Selection bias due to our detector capabilities (Knowledge of the detection process)



Palmese+  
*arXiv:2111.06445*  
 DESI and 8 well-localized  
 (<400 deg<sup>2</sup>) GW events

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