

A directed continuous-wave search from neutron stars in binary systems with the five-vector resampling technique

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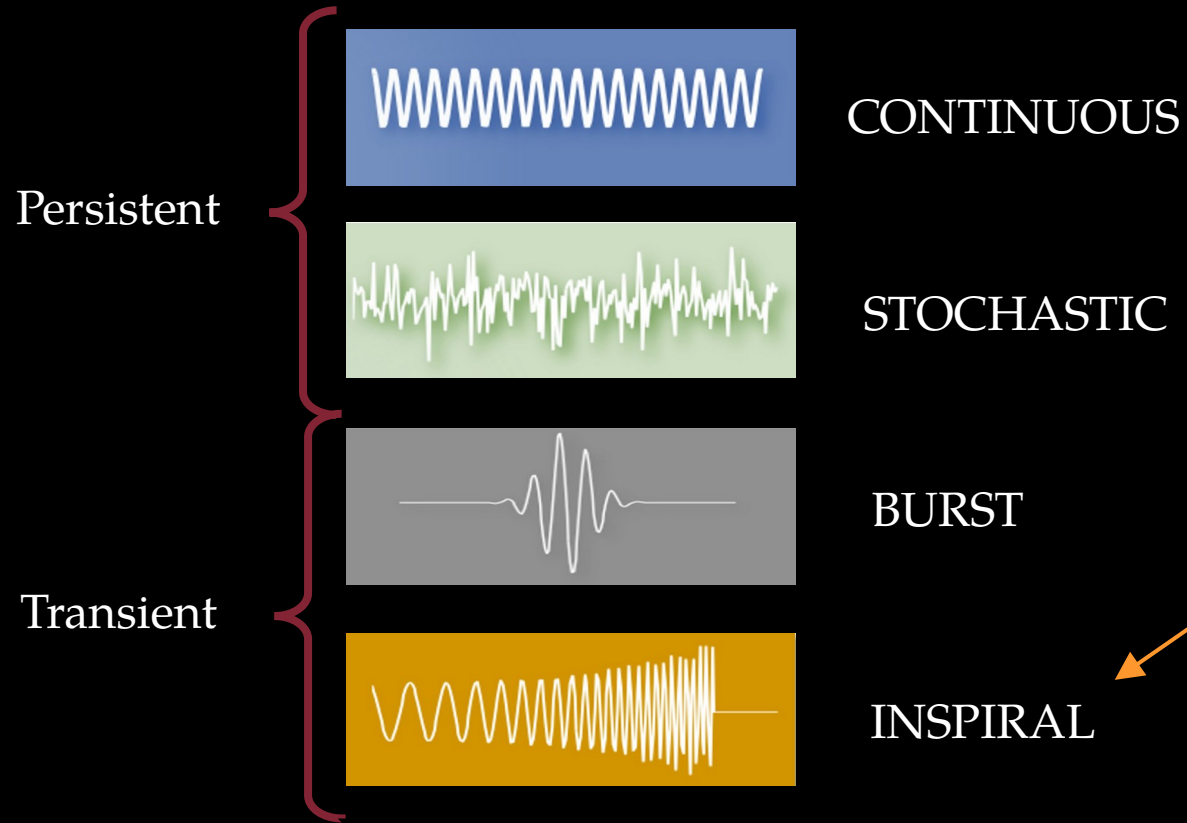
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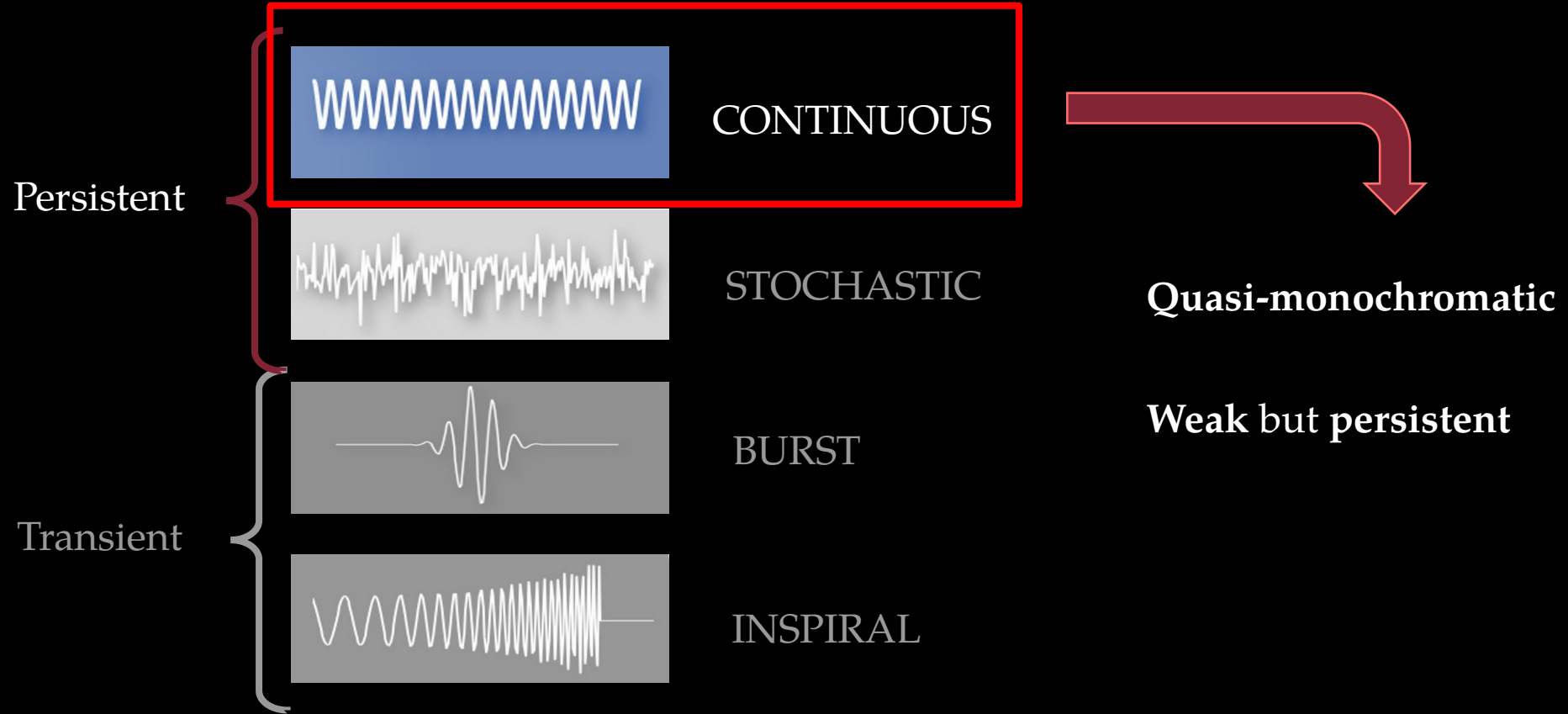
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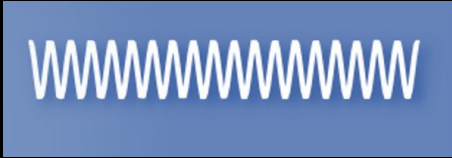
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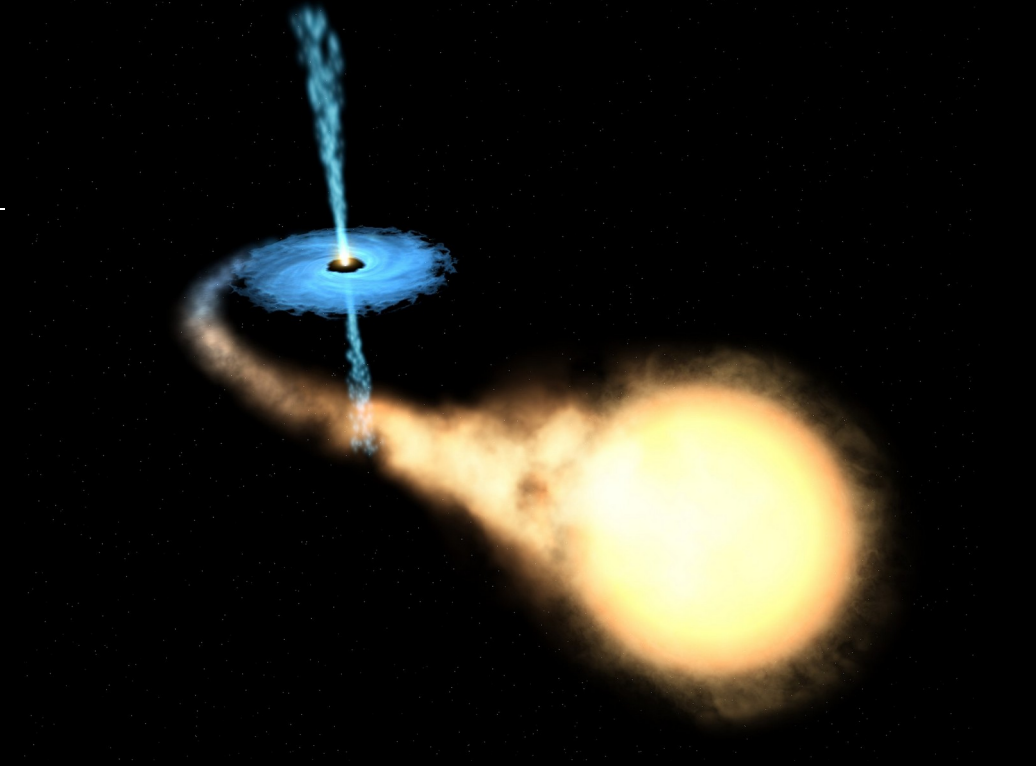


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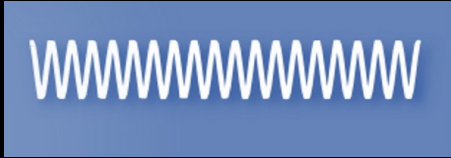


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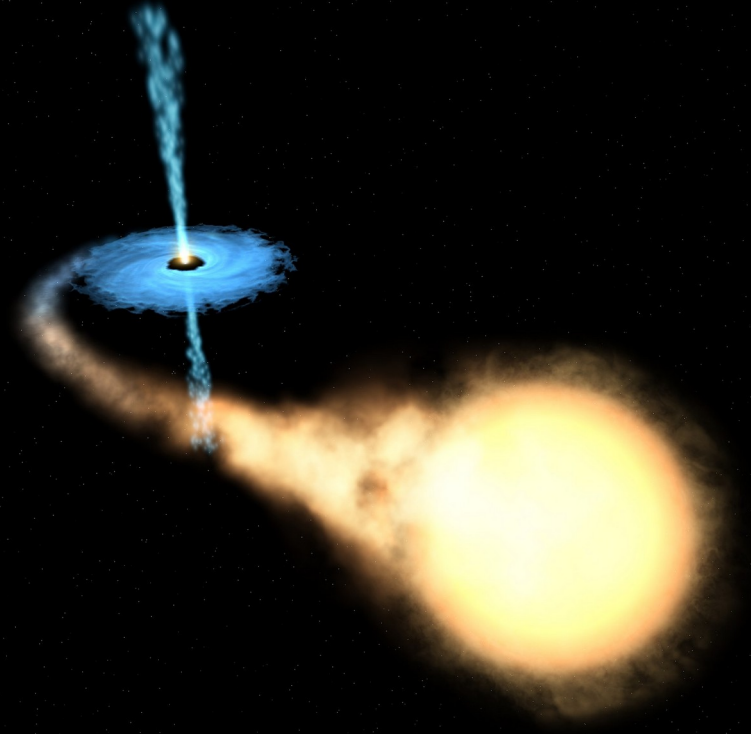
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Resampling technique

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Not a sinusoid



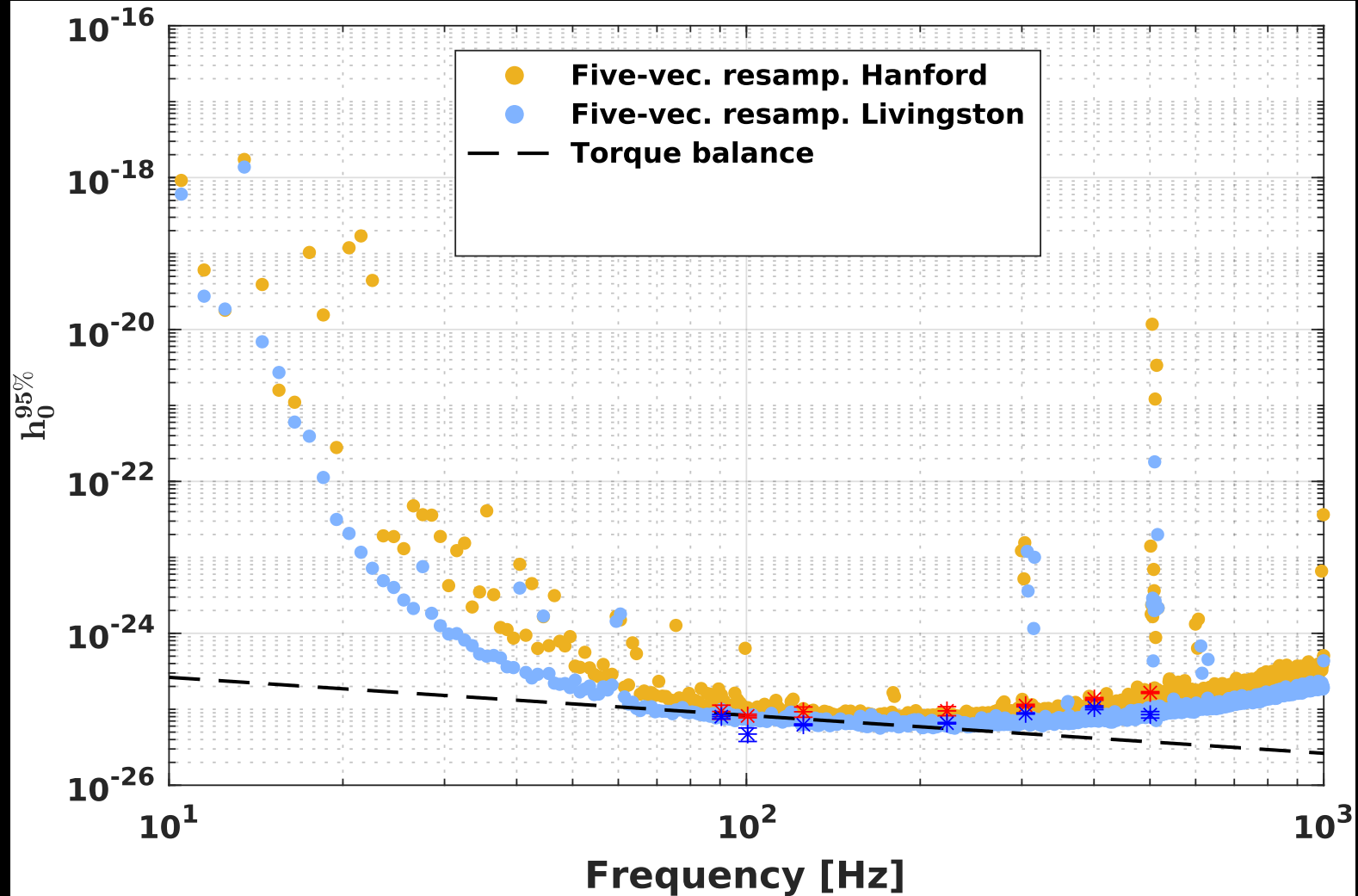
$$\Phi(\mathbf{t}') = \Phi_0 + 2\pi f_{\text{GW}}(\mathbf{t}' - \tau_0)$$

A sinusoid!



Conclusions

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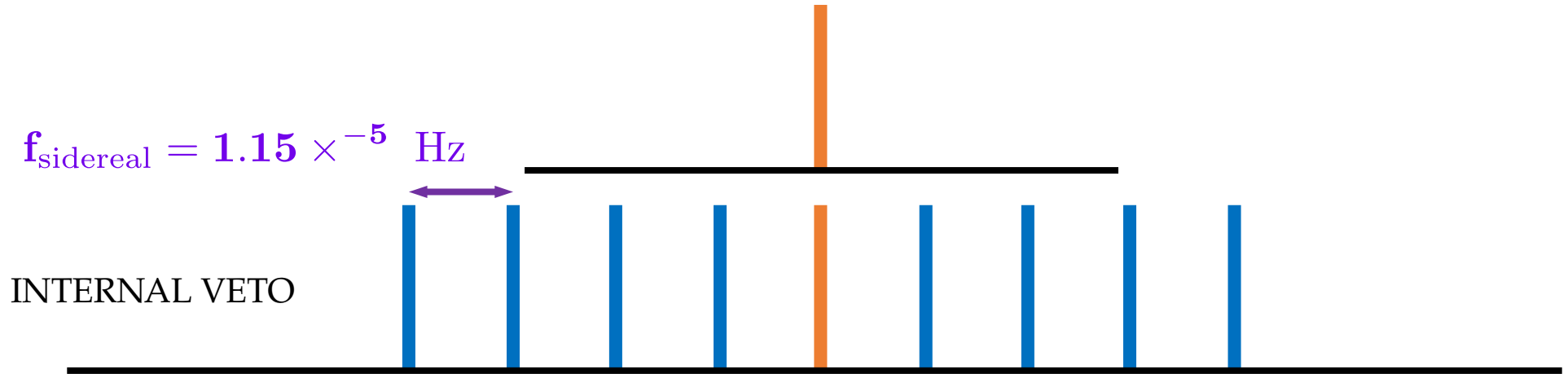
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For every **candidate above threshold** in a given detector, **coincidence candidates** are searched for in 9 intervals in the other detector, having widths outlined below



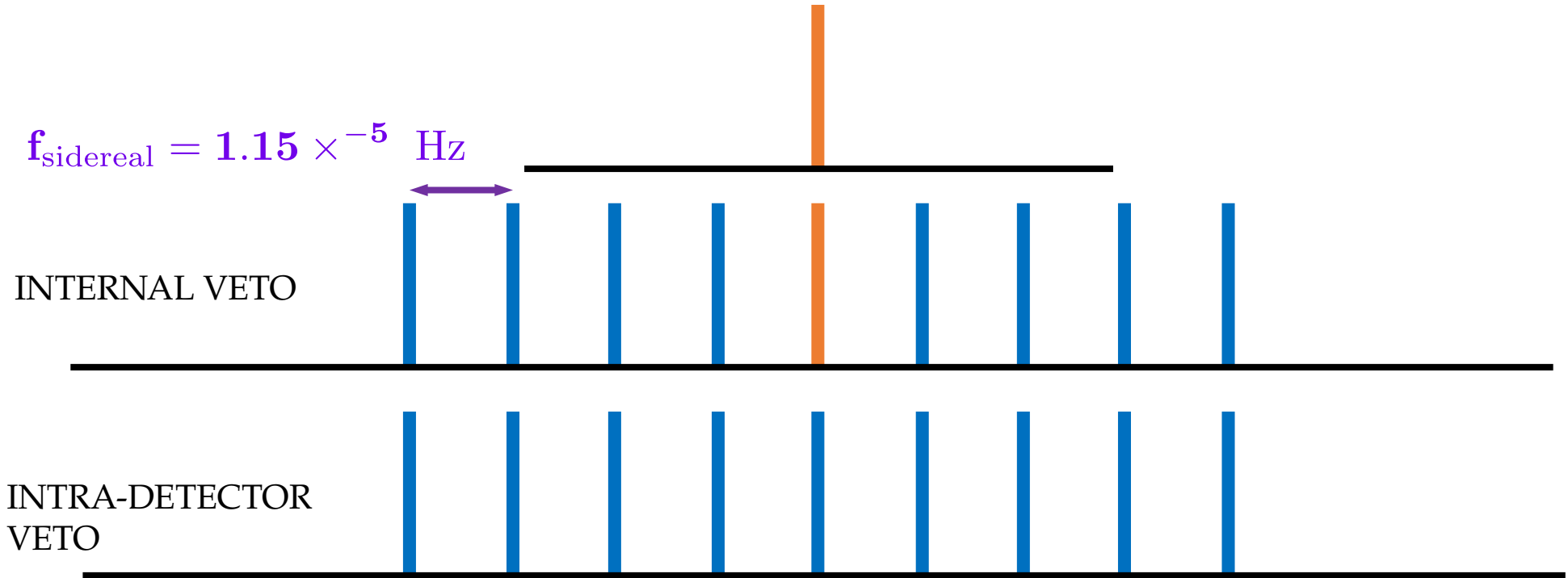
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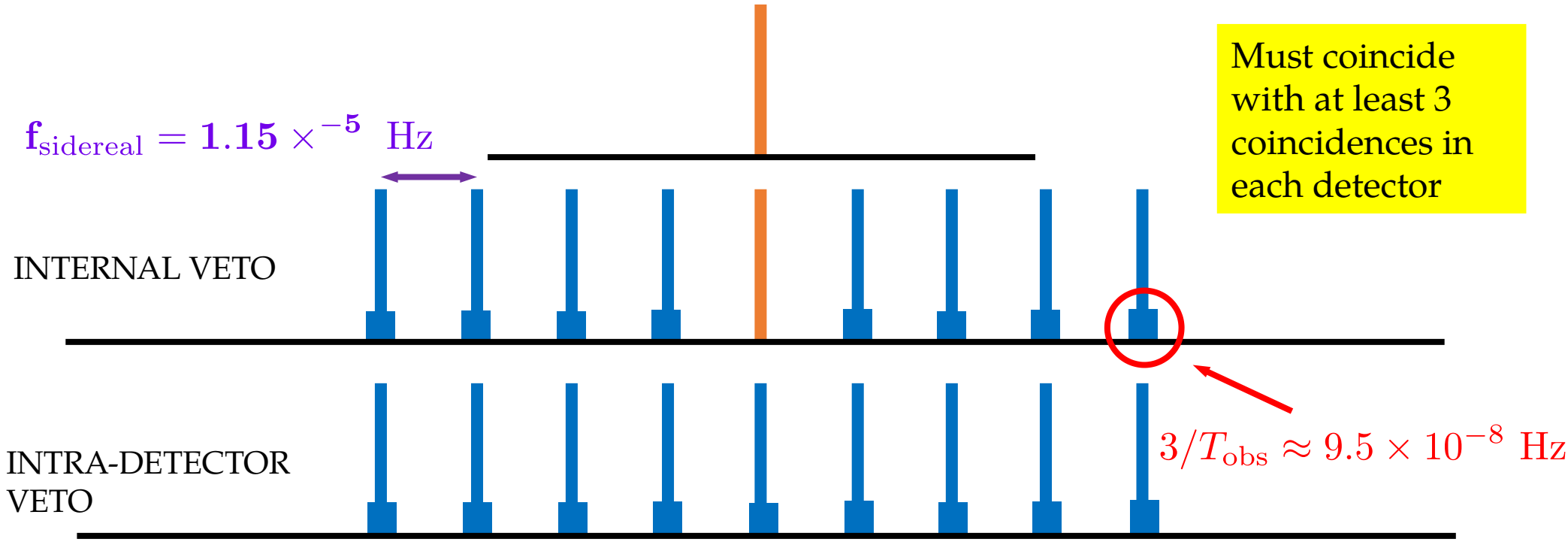
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Introduction: CW signal

- Signal model $h(t) \propto h_0 e^{i\Phi(t)}$

We set spindown terms to zero,
i.e., $f_{\text{GW}} = \text{const}$

- At the source

$$\Phi^{\text{NS}}(\tau) = \phi_0 + 2\pi f_{\text{GW}} \cdot (\tau - \tau_0)$$

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Time delays

Earth rotation

Earth revolution

Neutron star binary
revolution

Relativistic effects

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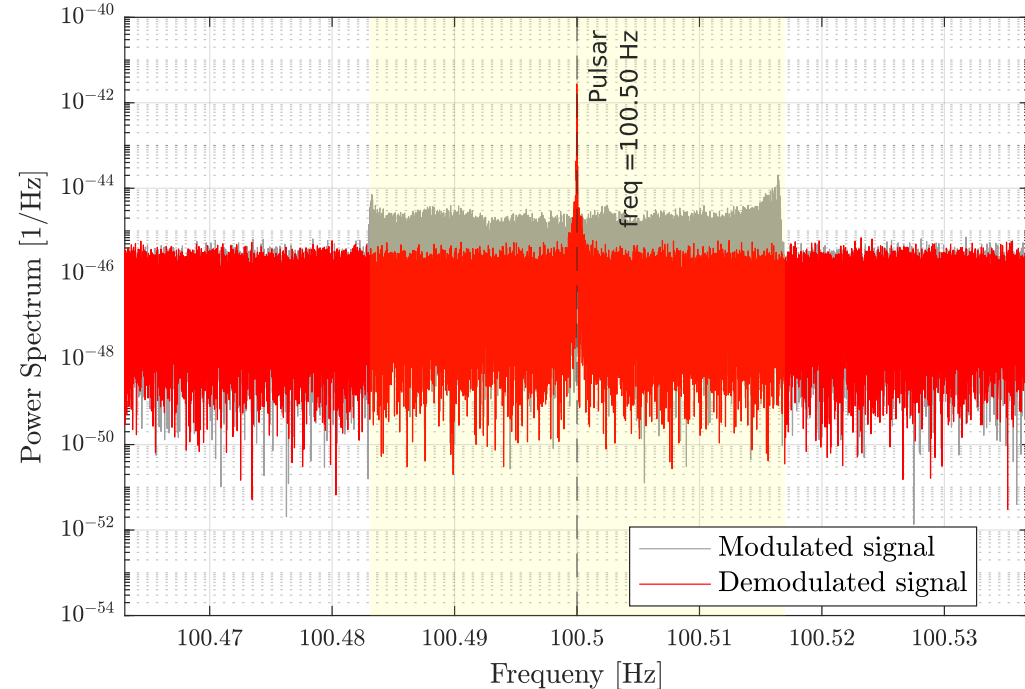
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Time delays

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Artificial CW signal in 10 days Hanford O3 data



Resampling technique

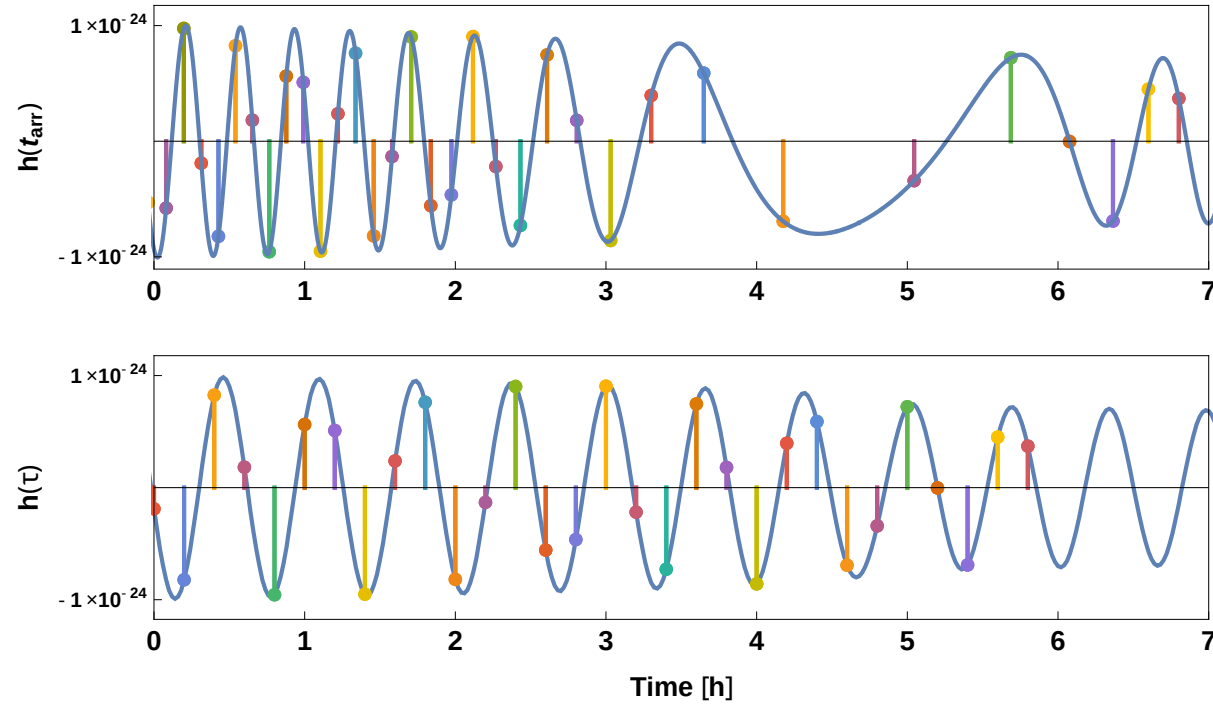
$$\{\alpha, \delta\} + \{P, a_p, e, \omega, t_p\}$$



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Resampling: Signal at detector

$$h(t) = h_0 \underbrace{(H_+ A_+(t) + H_\times A_\times(t))}_{\text{Amplitude modulation term}} e^{i\Phi(t)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Fast term}$$

- $H_{+,\times}$ are the complex polarization amplitudes
- $A_{+,\times}(t)$ are the time-dependent **sidereal** detector response functions

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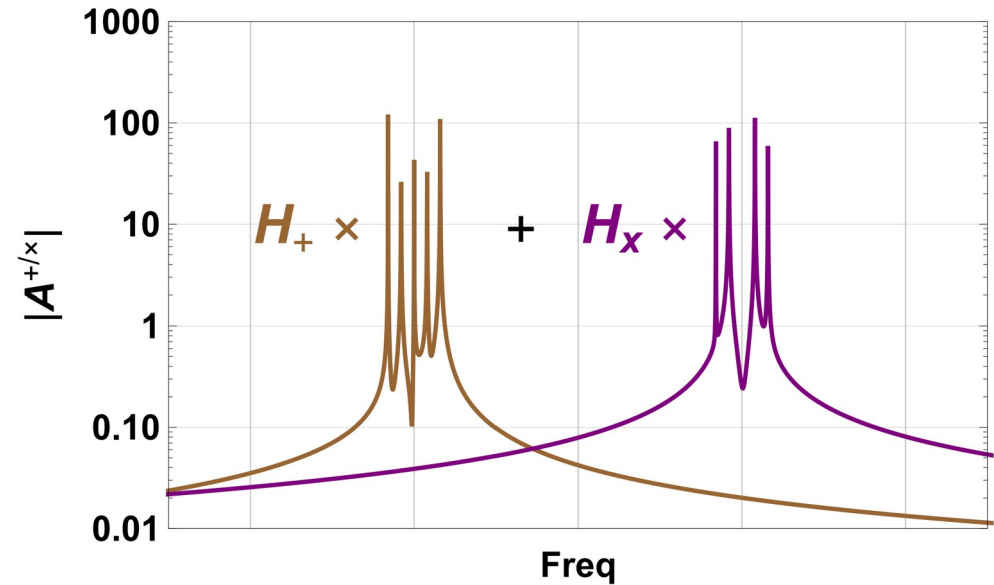
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Amplitude modulation term

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They depend
on the source
location

5 Fourier
components



A Singhal (2019) *PhD thesis*

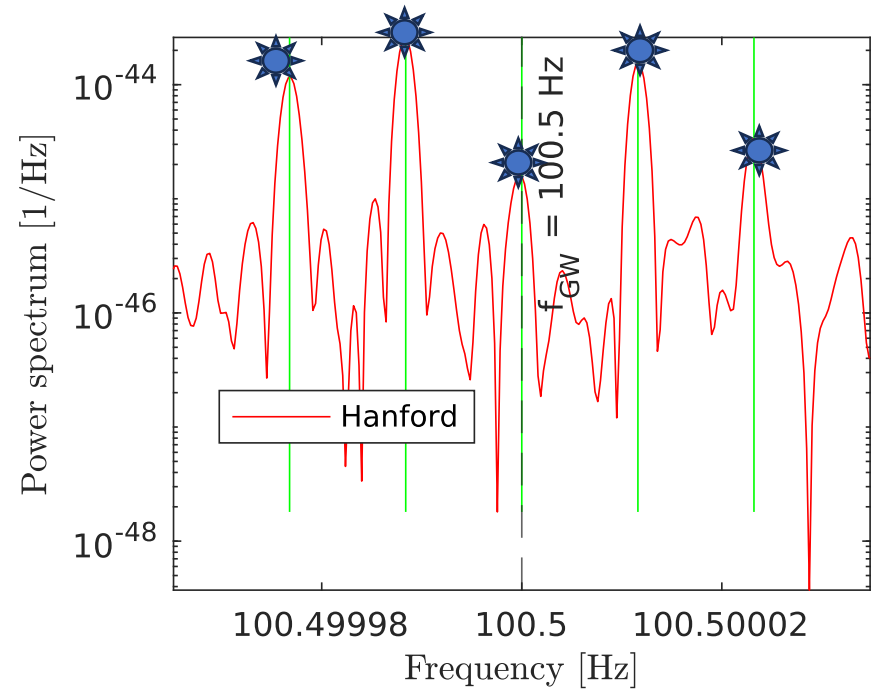
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Amplitude modulation term

- 5 frequencies centred at f_{GW} spaced with the **sidereal frequency** 1.16×10^{-5} Hz .
- Accuracy on the $\{P, a_p, e, \omega, t_p\}$ parameters determines the ability to recover the 5 peaks

ΔP [ms]	Δa_p [ms]	Δe	$\Delta \omega$ [°]	Δt_p (s)
24	14	10^{-4}	0.01	0.1



Resampling: 5 vectors

$$A_{+, \times}(t)$$

Detector functions



$$\mathbf{A}_{+, \times}(\mathbf{f})$$

Source templates
5-vectors

$$x(t) = h(t) + n(t)$$

Data series



$$\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{f})$$

Data 5-vectors

Fourier components at the
5 frequencies where the
signal power is split

$$F_k(f) = \int f(t) e^{-2\pi(f - \mathbf{k} f_{sd})} dt$$

$$\mathbf{k} = \{-2, -1, 0, 1, 2\}$$

Resampling: Detection Statistics (DS)

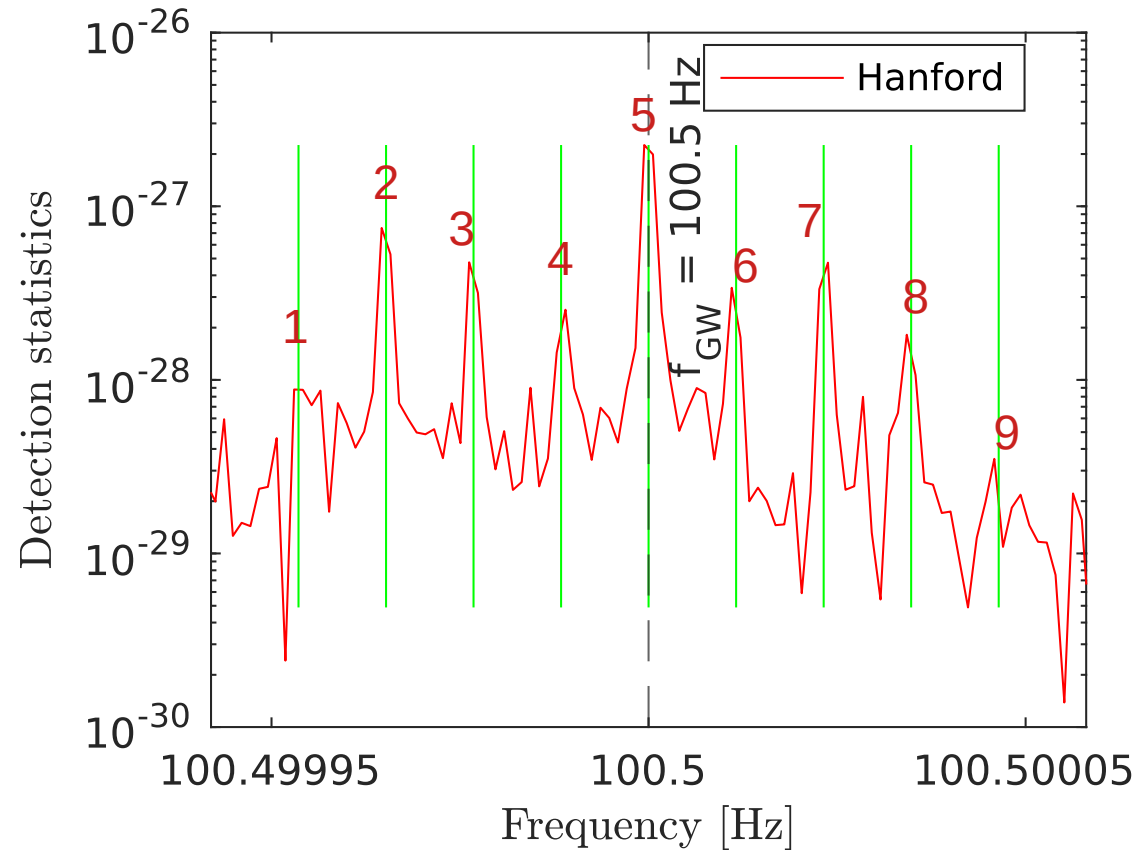
- We use the five vector to **cross correlate** the five peaks template with the five peaks signal-vectors

Signal parameter estimation

$$\hat{h}^{+, \times}(f) = \frac{\mathbf{X}(f) \cdot \mathbf{A}^{+, \times}}{|\mathbf{A}^{+, \times}|^2}$$

- We build a DS according to

$$\mathcal{S} = |\mathbf{A}^+|^4 |\hat{h}^+|^2 + |\mathbf{A}^\times|^4 |\hat{h}^\times|^2$$



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Resampling: DS threshold

$$\mathcal{S}' = \frac{\mathcal{S} - \mu}{\sigma}$$

is more robust to noise

- # of candidates out of 10^{10} templates
 - $\simeq 1.8 \times 10^5$ Hanford
 - $\simeq 5.3 \times 10^4$ Livingston
- $\mathcal{S}'=18$ (conservative) for HL detectors ($\sim$ minimum among both detectors)

A peak above the threshold 18 is considered a CW candidate that must undergo further vetoes

