Subgroup Report: Astrophysical Source Identification and Signature (ASIS)

Bruce Allen LSC General Meeting Stanford University July 19, 1999

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Meetings since March 1999

- May 6, 1999: Conference Call
- June 7, 1999: Conference Call
- July 13: face-to-face at Amaldi Conference
- Meeting every 6 weeks about right
- Issue: non LIGO-I/LSC participation in ASIS meetings

May 6, 1999: Conference Call

- 27 people
- Groups represented:
- AEICardiffCaltechCFAIllinoisLLOPenn StateStanfordTAMAUTBUWM

May 6, 1999: topics

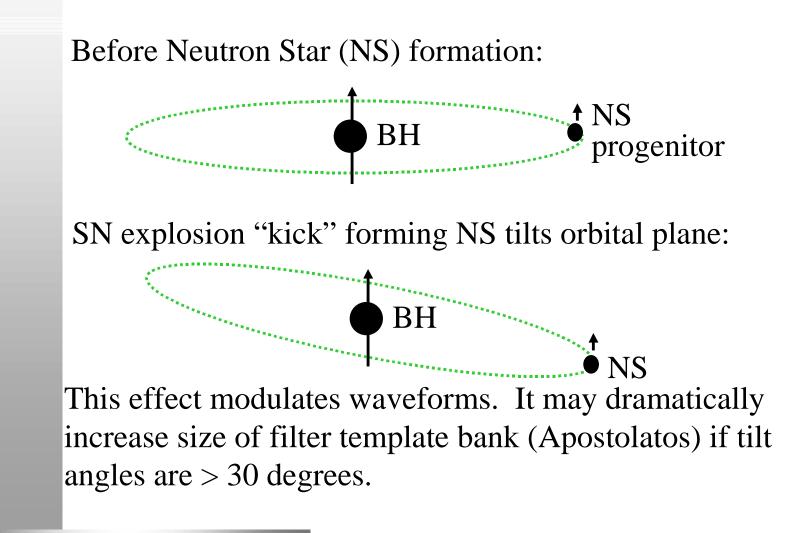
- LIGO/LSC Algorithm Library (LLAL)
- Data Analysis White Paper
- Sathyaprakash (Cardiff) reported on Hierarchical Search code
- Active discussion: are Padé-approximants needed for high (~10 solar) mass objects?
- Anderson/Balasubramanian (UWM) reported on blind Time/Frequency code (gr-qc/9905023) to look for merger phase of ~50 solar mass objects.

May 6, 1999: topics (continued)

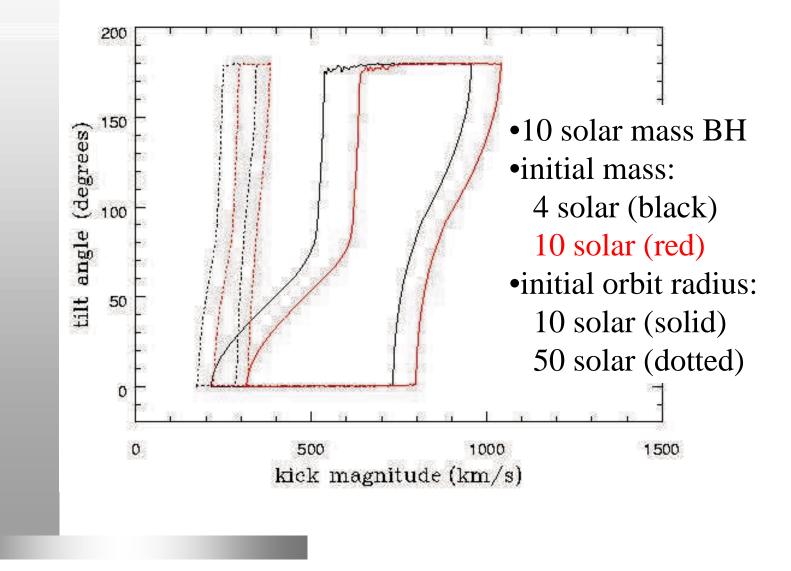
- Takahiro Tanaka reported on TAMA hierarchical search code development.
- Tom Prince/Matt Evans reported on Moriond paper work NS/NS inspiral rate.
- Schutz/Papa reported on operation count for Hough hierarchical search method: "identical" to stack/slide method.
- Allen: PRL on 40-meter inspiral search finished (gr-qc/9903108) and submitted.

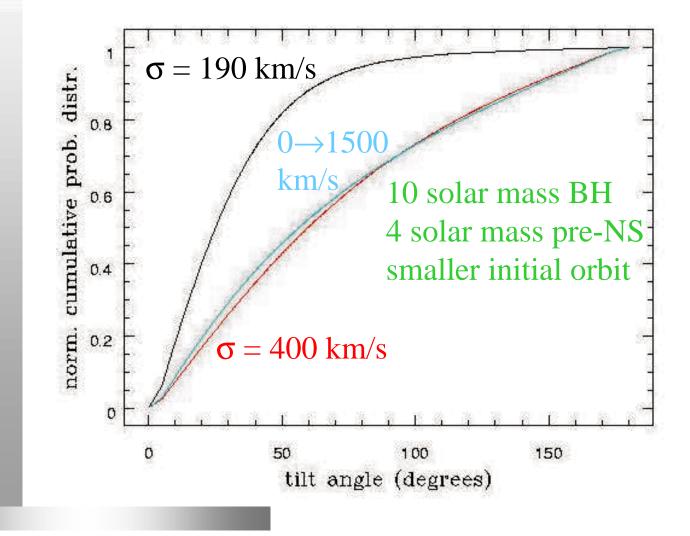
May 6, 1999: topics (continued)

- Joe Romano: comparison of the maximum likelihood and correlation techniques for stochastic background detection.
- Tom Prince/Walid Majid completed note on operations count for efficient frequency-domain chirp generation algorithm.
- Vicky Kalogera spin orientation in binary systems.



- Problem: not enough ASIS group expertise to determine expected distribution of θ
- Approached Vicky Kalogera (CFA) for assistance in January 1999.
- Initial study completed May 99





June 7, 1999 Conference Call

- 18 people
- Groups represented:
 AEI Caltech Florida
 Illinois LLO Michigan
 Penn State UTB UWM

June 7, 1999: topics

- Discussed data tape formats for LSC/LIGO use:
 - S. Anderson has made a table of alternatives.
 - **B.** Evans also investigated this.
- Hughes reported on orbital code for particles falling into spinning BHs.
 Next step: include back-reaction?

June 7, 1999: topics

- Additional discussion of LLAL (Algorithm library) style/format.
- Discussion of status of data analysis White Paper

July 13th, 1999 Meeting

About 30 people

Groups represented: AEI Cardiff Cornell CFA Illinois LLO Stanford UTB

Caltech Florida Penn State UWM

July 13th, 1999: topics

- Vicky Kalogera described orbitalplane spin-tilt angle results.
 Discussion of assumptions & evolution of tilt angle
- Alberto Vecchio described his database if potentially intesting objects for CW searches
- Sathya: Padé-approximant status

July 13th, 1999: topics

- S. Anderson & Cutler illustrated and discussed "TEMPO" package
- Detailed discussion of work breakdown tables in Section 4 of White Paper (Astrophysical Source Detection)
- Basic idea: lead group (LSC) and interested groups.

July 13th, 1999: topics

- Lead Group takes *full* responsibility for delivering a particular item (example: directed pulsar search code).
- Interested groups are welcome to participate.
- Lead Group must be able to deliver item without outside assistance.

Data Tape Proposal

- Each LSC group supply own blank tapes (or pay media costs)
- Each LSC group may *request* up to 10 tapes each week (nominal 50 Gbytes). Prioritize 1 to 10.
- Guarantee: each group will receive at least 1 tape each week

Data Tape Proposal (continued)

- Data available depends upon epoch:
 - During commissioning: data must come from on-site disk cache (random 24hour period)
 - During science run: requests supplied from CACR archive with 2-week latency, but can come from any archived epoch
- Until LDAS running, users can only get raw frames, not "reduced" data.