

LIGO OPEN SCIENCE CENTER (LOSC) S5 DATA TIME DEPENDENCE OF DUTY CYCLES AND SPACETIME DETECTION VOLUMES

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Goals

- Utilize LOSC data to evaluate Duty Cycles (DC) and All Sky Average Space-Time Volume (ST VOL) Detection Ranges for a typical expected Compact Binary Coalescence (CBC)
- Motivation:
 - 1) Desire to determine if time of day or day of the week enhances or hinders detection of a CBC
 - 2) Determine if horizon distance depends on time of day or just if an interferometer is "on"
 - 3) Assess for improvement in the ability of LIGO to make a detection over the course of a few months
- Evaluate DC and ST VOL detection ranges as function:
 - 1) Time of Day (Mainly day vs night)
 - 2) Workweek vs Weekend
 - 3) Improvement over the course of months
- Additional Goal: Assess difficulty/ease for an individual outside university affiliation/LIGO Scientific Collaboration (LSC) to access and analyze data on an ordinary laptop computer

Data Source

- LIGO OPEN SCIENCE CENTER (LOSC) DATA FROM SCIENCE RUN 5 (S5)
- Specifically from 2007, starting 04/30/2007 and continuing for 4 1/2 months, thru 09/09/2007
- Hanford H1 IFO(Hanford, Washington)
- Reason This Data Selected: Long-Term Consistently High Duty Cycle (Based on LOSC website DC Plots)

Approach

- PC Laptop
- Home Hi Speed Internet (10 to 15 Meg)
- Data File Downloaded--> Analyzed (Python 2.7 Code) --> Deleted (Laptop storage limitation)--> Repeat Next File
- Fastest Time: 12 Days Data in 12 Hours (overnight)
- Slowest: 4 nights needed for 12 days data
- Realistically: About 30 NIGHTS needed to download 4 1/2 months of LOSC data.---Absolute MINIMUM time: 11 nights
- Speed often slowed for last half of 12 hour download, Possible causes:
 - 1) ISP restriction
 - 2) RAM issue (not being cleared)

LOSC Website Download Issues

- Easy: Manually Download Individual Files (LOSC Tutorial)
- Harder: Downloading Groups of Files. LOSC Tutorial instructions for multiple file download didn't work for my PC
- The Fix:
 - 1) Upgrade from "LIGO Guest" to full access
 - 2) LOSC team help thru firewalls to access LOSC data
 - 3) Write unique Python CODE for Sequential File Download
- Conclusion: Sequential automated LOSC file downloads weren't simple to do for me as an outsider

Duty Cycle

- Definition: Percentage of time equipment is working properly in an hour, day, week, etc.
- Working properly: LIGO Interferometer (IFO) in "Science mode" (SCI)
- In Course of an Hour (approx. time length of a file):
 - The IFO may drift in and out of SCI mode once, a few times or not at all
 - Only "GOOD" or SCI mode data is analyzed. Remainder: Excess noise
 - May thus be multiple "Segments" of SCI mode data per file
 - Each Segment must be analyzed separately

Duty Cycle vs O'Clock Hour – Plot (below)

- What's Being Plotted:
 - 133 days of data with DC analyzed hourly
 - One Hour bins for total of 24 bins <===> o'clock hours
 - Average Hourly DC plotted
- How Calculated:
 - Each Downloaded FILE: Slightly longer than 1 Hour
 - RATIO: GOOD Data Segment TIME LENGTHS are Summed / TOTAL Elapsed TIME of File===> DUTY CYCLE for that File
 - Each File's DC is assigned to nearest o'clock hour
 - Average each O'clock Hour separately for 133 days of data, then plot
 - Error Bars: (Standard Deviation of Averaged DCs)/(Number Averaged)^{1/2}



- Plot is based on Pacific Std Time, the Time Zone of the Hanford, Washington LIGO IFO
- Clear DAY/NIGHT difference in DC--Highest: Midnight----Lowest: 11:00 a.m.
- DC Range is 64% to 94%
- AVG = 82%
- Interesting Features:
 - Smoothly Varying Curve with NO Abrupt Changes "SINE WAVE" Appearance
 - Night-Time DC is Very High!
 - Day-time DC down Max of 32% vs Night-time <===>A METRIC
 - Goal: Of course to further maximize Day-Time DC, Keep Night-time High

Duty Cycle vs Weekday-Weekend Time Blocks – Plot (below)

- What's Being Plotted:
 - ANALYZED DATA from 04/30/07 until 09/09/07
 - Each WEEK: Divided into 2 TIME BLOCKS: 5 DAY WORKWEEK & 2 DAY WEEKEND
 - LINE SEGMENTS IN PLOT:
 - 1) avg DC FOR 5 DAY WORKWEEK (BLUE)
 - 2) avg DC FOR 2 DAY WEEKEND (GREEN)
 - LENGTH of LINE SEGMENT <===>NUMBER of DAYS in SEGMENT
 - WEEKEND starts 4pm FRI-----WEEKDAYS start 4am MON
 - DUTY CYCLE PLOT SCALE: 40 ----->100%

- How Calculated:
 - Download MULTIPLE FILES to span the TIME BLOCKS: WORKWEEK or WEEKEND
 - Each FILE with ONE OR MORE Data SEGMENTS
 - RATIO: GOOD Data Segment TIME LENGTHS are Summed for TIME BLOCK / TOTAL Elapsed TIME in BLOCK ===> DUTY CYCLE for that BLOCK of TIME



- Plot is based on Pacific Std Time, the Time Zone of the Hanford Washington IFO
- Clear average WEEKEND/WEEKDAY DC DIFFERENCE
- WEEKEND AVG: 90 +/-6% MEDIAN: 92%
- WEEKDAY AVG: 78 +/-8% MEDIAN: 77%
- WEEKDAY AVG is 13% LESS than WEEKEND
- Interesting Features:
 - HIGHER DC when IFO is not being worked with as much ("LEFT ALONE")
 - DC difference is present but NOT large
 - 13% DIFFERENCE can be used as a METRIC

A More Intuitive Plot of Weekday-Weekend Duty Cycle

- What's Being Plotted:
 - **SAME** Weekday-Weekend DC RESULTS as ABOVE PLOT
 - DISCONTINUOUS WEEKEND line SEGMENTS are CONNECTED, same for WEEKDAYS
 - PLOT RESCALED: 0---->100%



Daily Duty Cycle Over 4 ½ Months – Plot (below)

- What's Being Plotted:
 - 133 days of data with DC analyzed Daily from 04/30/07 until 09/09/07
- How Calculated:
 - Analyze MULTIPLE FILES to span each DAY containing even more Data Segments
 - RATIO: SCI Data Segment Time Lengths are Summed for 24 Hours / Total Elapsed Time ===> DUTY CYCLE for that Day
 - DUTY CYCLE plotted vs DAY since 04/30/2007



- Plot is based on Universal Time (Greenwich Mean Time) -----Used because of calculation ease
- Typical Range: 50 to 95%
- AVG = 82 +/-15%------Median = 86%
- Interesting Features:
 - HOPED to see IMPROVEMENT in DC over several months with progressive MAINTAINENCE
 - NO such IMPROVEMENT seen
 - Actually see transient SIGNIFICANT DECLINE in DC for 3 days btwn 77 and 96 DAYS OUT

ALL-SKY AVERAGE DETECTED SPACE-TIME VOLUMES

Basics of a complex calculation applied to each "good" downloaded data segment

Motivation: Desire to determine actual VOLUME OF SKY a CBC may be observable in.

 Most likely first observed CBC: Neutron Star / Neutron Star (NS/NS) Coalescence---Near Solar Mass

1) Time length of inspiral: Several seconds

2) Frequency of inspiral: Most sensitive LIGO range

3) Population Density of NSs: Fairly high

4) Choose 1.4 Solar Mass NS/1.4 Solar Mass NS Coalescence

Ingredients for Calculation:

1) Field Equations of General Relativity (GR)===> GR Deviations from Newtonian Gravity Binary elliptical orbit --> producing INSPIRAL

Equations Used: 2nd Order Post-Newtonian Approximation to Field Equations

- 2) Also from GR, a predicted maximum orbital frequency reached at end of inspiral called FISCO (frequency of innermost stable circular orbit) Serves as an UPPER LIMIT of a key integration step
- 3) Concept of a "Matched Filter" Template--> Mathematically predicted timeseries waveform expected during CBC.

If this template matches a signal received a detection is confirmed

Additional Ingredients:

- 4) Large amount of data stream NOISE===> Calculate Power Spectral Density of noise and template with noise
- 5) Put ingredients together and obtain a height of signal greater than noise as a function of CBC distance away from earth.
- 6) Require Signal-to-Noise Ratio (SNR) > 8 to confirm a detection
- 7) Code written to calculate MAXIMUM DISTANCE for a detection under ideal conditions and a general ALL-SKY DISTANCE (less ideal) ===> SKY VOLUME Basically both DISTANCES are function of Detector Noise and Masses of Binaries in the CBC
- 8) References at end

All-Sky Space-Time Detection Volumes (ST VOL) vs O'Clock Hour – Plot (below)

- What's Being Plotted:
 - 133 days of data with ST VOL analyzed hourly
 - One Hour bins for total of 24 bins <===> o'clock hours
 - Average Hourly ST VOL plotted
- How Calculated:
 - Each Downloaded FILE: Slightly longer than 1 Hour
 - Each Data Segment in File==> Max Detection distance (CONVERT TO VOLUME)
 - For Segments in file: VOLUME weighted by segment time length===> Overall Space-Time Detection Volume for File
 - Each File's ST VOL is assigned to nearest o'clock hour
 - Average each O'clock Hour separately for 133 days of data, then plot
 - Error Bars: (Standard Deviation of Average ST VOLs) / (Number Averaged)^{1/2}



- Plot is based on Pacific Std Time, the Time Zone of the Hanford Washington IFO
- Clear DAY/NIGHT difference in ST VOL; Highest: Midnight, Lowest: 11:00 a.m. (Same times as with Duty Cycle)
- ST VOLUME Range: (3,800 Mpc³ to 6,700 Mpc³) * (1 Time Unit)

1 Time Unit Here is File Time Length = 4096s

- AVG = 5,294 +/-887 Mpc³ * 1 Time Unit
- AVG NIGHT-TIME ST VOL: 5983 Mpc³ * 1 Time Unit ------(00:00 to 06:00 and 18:00 to 24:00)
- AVG DAYTIME ST VOL: 4605 Mpc³ * 1 Time Unit -----(06:00 to 18:00)

IT IS THUS 30% MORE LIKELY TO MAKE A DETECTION DURING THE NIGHT THAN DURING THE DAY.

Interesting Features

- Smoothly Varying Curve with NO Abrupt Changes--"SINE WAVE" Appearance
- Goal: Of course to further maximize Day-Time ST VOLs (Night-Time is probably maxed out as IFO running at max design sensitivity for 2007 capability)

Note: Short Lived Transient Higher SPATIAL VOLUMES may make a more distant detection possible if very lucky even with typical AVERAGE ST VOL

Hourly Average Maximum Horizon Distance (HD) vs O'Clock Hour – Plot (below)

- What's Being Plotted:
 - 133.5 days of data with HD analyzed hourly
 - One Hour bins for total of 24 bins <===> o'clock hours
 - Average Hourly SEGMENT MAXIMUM HD plotted
- How Calculated:
 - Each Downloaded FILE: Slightly longer than 1 Hour
 - Each Data Segment in File==> Max Detection distance
 - For each Data Segment in an individual FILE, retain only the largest one of the Max Detection distances
 - Each File's SINGLE Max Detection DISTANCE is assigned to nearest o'clock hour
 - Average each O'clock Hour separately for 133.5 days of data, then plot
 - Error Bars: As before



- EXCLUDES DC FROM THE ANALYSIS
- AVG NIGHT-TIME MAX HORIZON DISTANCE: 24.8 Mpc
- AVG DAYTIME MAX HORIZON DISTANCE: 22.2 Mpc
- FIRST IMPRESSION THEN: LIGO "SEES" 12% FARTHER AT NIGHT THAN DURING THE DAY
- NOT SO

Modified Hourly Average Maximum Horizon Distance (HD) vs O'Clock Hour – Plot (below)

Modification:

FILES WITH A ZERO DISTANCE MAXIMUM ARE ELIMINATED FROM ANALYSIS THIS TIME

• What's Being Plotted:

- 133.5 days of data with HD analyzed hourly
- One Hour bins for total of 24 bins <===> o'clock hours
- Average Hourly MAXIMUM HD plotted

- How Calculated:
 - Each Downloaded FILE: Slightly longer than 1 Hour
 - Each Data Segment in File==> Max Detection distance
 - For each Data Segment in an individual FILE, retain only the largest one of the Max Detection distances
 - Each File's SINGLE Max Detection DISTANCE is assigned to nearest o'clock hour
 - IF THE FILE'S SINGLE MAX DETECTION DISTANCE IS ZERO (NO DATA OBTAINED) IT IS ELIMINATED FROM THE ANALYSIS
 - Average each O'clock Hour separately for 133.5 days of data, then plot
 - Error Bars: As before



- EXCLUDES ANY ZERO DISTANCE FILES
- AVG NIGHT-TIME MAX HORIZON DISTANCE: 26.3 Mpc
- AVG DAYTIME MAX HORIZON DISTANCE: 26.0 Mpc
- LIGO DOESN'T "SEE" ANY FURTHER AT NIGHT THAN DURING THE DAY (ONLY A NIGHT-TIME "IMPROVEMENT" OF 1.2%)
- THIS IS TRUE ONLY IF THE IFO IS ACTUALLY IN SCI MODE AT SOME TIME DURING A PARTICULAR HOUR AND ACQUIRES AT LEAST SOME DATA
- DC IS LESS DURING THE DAY THAN AT NIGHT (DESCRIBED EARLIER)

All-Sky Space-Time Detection Volumes (ST VOL) vs Weekday-Weekend Time Blocks – Plot (below)

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 - ANALYZED DATA from 04/30/07 until 09/09/07
 - Each WEEK: Divided into 2 TIME BLOCKS: 5 DAY WORKWEEK & 2 DAY WEEKEND
 - LINE SEGMENTS IN PLOT:
 - 1) avg ST VOL FOR 5 DAY WORKWEEK TIME BLOCK (BLUE)
 - 2) avg ST VOL FOR 2 DAY WEEKEND TIME BLOCK (GREEN)
 - LENGTH of LINE SEGMENT <===>NUMBER of DAYS in SEGMENT
 - WEEKEND starts 4pm FRI-----WEEKDAYS start 4am MON
 - Y-Axis in Units of Mpc³ x Day

- How Calculated:
 - Download MULTIPLE FILES to span the TIME BLOCKS: WORKWEEK or WEEKEND
 - Evaluate all contained DATA SEGMENTS individually
 - Each Data Segment in File==> Max Detection distance (CONVERT TO VOLUME)
 - For Segments: VOLUME weighted by segment time length===> Overall Space-Time Detection Volume in a TIME BLOCK
 - PLOT ST VOL avgs for lengths of time blocks===> LINE SEGMENTS



- Plot is based on Pacific Std Time, the Time Zone of the Hanford Washington IFO
- Clear average WEEKEND/WEEKDAY ST VOL DIFFERENCE
- WEEKEND AVG: 5,950 +/-560 Mpc³ * Day-----MEDIAN: 5,947
- WEEKDAY AVG: 4,905 +/-720 Mpc³ * Day-----MEDIAN: 5,023
- WEEKDAY AVG is 18% LESS than WEEKEND------(Vs 13% LESS for DC)

Interesting Features:

- HIGHER ST VOL when IFO is not being worked with as much ("LEFT ALONE")
- ST VOL difference is present but NOT large
- 18% DIFFERENCE can be used as a METRIC
- SIMILAR VALUES of DECREASE (18% ST VOL and 13% DC suggest that DC is the primary cause for decrease in ST VOL, other factors less important

A More Intuitive Plot of Weekday-Weekend Space-Time Volume:

- What's Being Plotted:
 - **SAME** Weekday/Weekend ST VOL RESULTS as ABOVE PLOT
 - DISCONTINUOUS WEEKEND line SEGMENTS are CONNECTED, same for WEEKDAYS
 - PLOT RESCALED from 0



Daily All-Sky Space-Time Detection Volumes (ST VOL) Over 4 ½ Months – Plot (below)

- What's Being Plotted:
 - 133 days of data with ST VOL analyzed Daily from 04/30/07 until 09/09/07
- How Calculated:
 - Analyze MULTIPLE FILES to span each DAY containing even more Data Segments
 - Evaluate all contained DATA SEGMENTS individually
 - Each Data Segment in File==> Max Detection distance (CONVERT TO VOLUME)
 - For Segments: VOLUME weighted by segment time length===> Overall Space-Time Detection Volume in an INDIVIDUAL DAY
 - ST VOL plotted vs DAY since 04/30/2007



- Plot is based on Universal Time (Greenwich Mean Time) -----Used because of calculation ease
- Typical Range: 3,000 to 7,000 Mpc³ x Day
- AVG = 5,300 +/-1,095 Mpc³ x Day
- Median = 5,483

Interesting Features:

- HOPED to see IMPROVEMENT in ST VOL over several months with progressive MAINTAINENCE
- NO such IMPROVEMENT seen
- July 2007 trends slightly lower for the whole month vs before and after
- Actually see transient SIGNIFICANT DECLINE for 2 days in ST VOL btwn 84 and 96 DAYS OUT

Conclusions:

DURING THE TIMES THE H1 IFO IS EVALUATED, FROM 04/30/07 THRU 09/09/07:

- DUTY CYCLES AND ALL-SKY SPACE-TIME DETECTION VOLUMES DEPEND ON HUMAN ACTIVITY WORK SCHEDULE CYCLES SUCH AS:

 DAY VS NIGHT AND
 - 2) WEEKDAYS VS WEEKEND
- THE IFO RUNS QUITE WELL THE VAST MAJORITY OF THE TIME WHEN "LEFT ALONE"
- DECREASE IN SPACE-TIME DETECTION VOLUMES CORRELATES VERY CLOSELY WITH DECREASES IN DUTY CYCLES
 - IN BOTH TIME OF OCCURENCE AND MAGNITUDE AND IN ALL LIKELIHOOD IS THE PRIMARY ETIOLOGY

Additional Conclusions:

- NO IMPROVEMENT TREND OCCURS WITH DUTY CYCLES AND ALL-SKY SPACE-TIME DETECTION VOLUMES OVER THE MONTHS EVALUATED DESPITE MAINTAINENCE
 AND PRESUMABLY ATTEMPTS TO INCREASE SENSITIVITY
- 2 WEEKS OF LOSC DATA CAN BE DOWNLOADED ONTO AN ORDINARY PC THRU ORDINARY HOME DOWNLOAD SPEEDS IN ABOUT 12 HOURS WHEN ALL IS OPTIMAL
- GREAT EASE OF BEING ABLE TO MANUALLY DOWNLOAD LOSC DATA, ONE FILE AT A TIME
- SIGNIFICANT DIFFICULTIES WITH SEQUENTIAL AUTOMATED LOSC DATA FILE DOWNLOADS FOR THIS PC USER OUTSIDE THE LSC AND UNIVERSITY AFFILIATION

WHEN IS LIGO MOST LIKELY TO MAKE A FIRST DETECTION??

30% MORE LIKELY TO MAKE A GRAVITATIONAL WAVE DETECTION AT NIGHT THAN DURING THE DAY!

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