

# MCMC Parameter Estimation with Frequency-Domain Inspiral Waveforms

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# Waveform models

TaylorF2 (F2): the only frequency-domain inspiral waveform used in the LAL detection pipeline

Standard F2 : 3.5pN phase + Newtonian amplitude

Latest progress: known physical effects are implemented.

We focus on amplitude corrections (2.5pN, TaylorF2Amp)

TaylorF2

$$\tilde{h}(f) = \mathcal{A} f^{-7/6} e^{i\psi(f)},$$

TaylorF2Amp

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{h}(f) &= \frac{M \nu}{D_L} \sum_{n=0}^5 \sum_{k=1}^7 V_k^{2+n} \left( k \frac{dF}{dt} \right)^{-1/2} \\ &\quad \times \left( \alpha_k^{(n)} e^{i(2\pi f t(F) - k \Psi(F) - \pi/4)} + \beta_k^{(n)} e^{i(2\pi f t(F) - (k \Psi(F) - \pi/2) - \pi/4)} \right), \\ &= \frac{M \nu}{D_L} \sum_{n=0}^5 \sum_{k=1}^7 V_k^{n-\frac{7}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{5\pi}{k 48 \nu}} M \left( 1 + \mathcal{S}_2 V_k^2 + \mathcal{S}_3 V_k^3 + \mathcal{S}_4 V_k^4 + \mathcal{S}_5 V_k^5 \right) \\ &\quad \times (\alpha_k^{(n)} + e^{i\pi/2} \beta_k^{(n)}) e^{i(k \Psi_{\text{SPA}}(f/k) - \pi/4)}, \\ &= \frac{M^2}{D_L} \sqrt{\frac{5\pi\nu}{48}} \sum_{n=0}^5 \sum_{k=1}^7 V_k^{n-\frac{7}{2}} C_k^{(n)} e^{i(k \Psi_{\text{SPA}}(f/k) - \pi/4)}.\end{aligned}$$

n: pN order

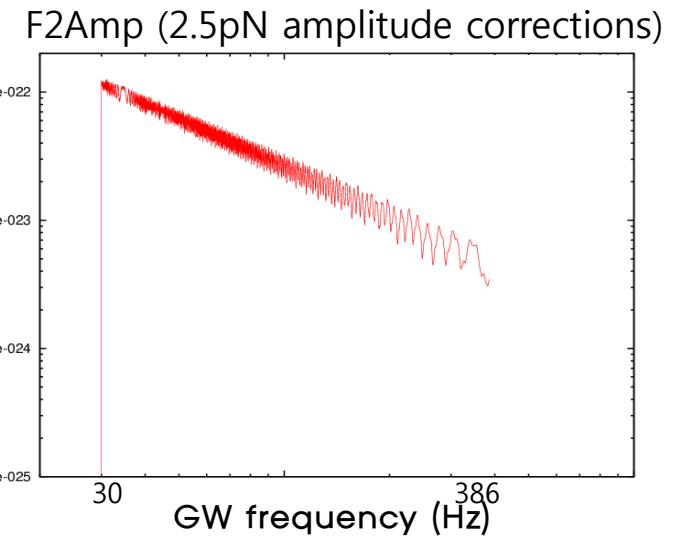
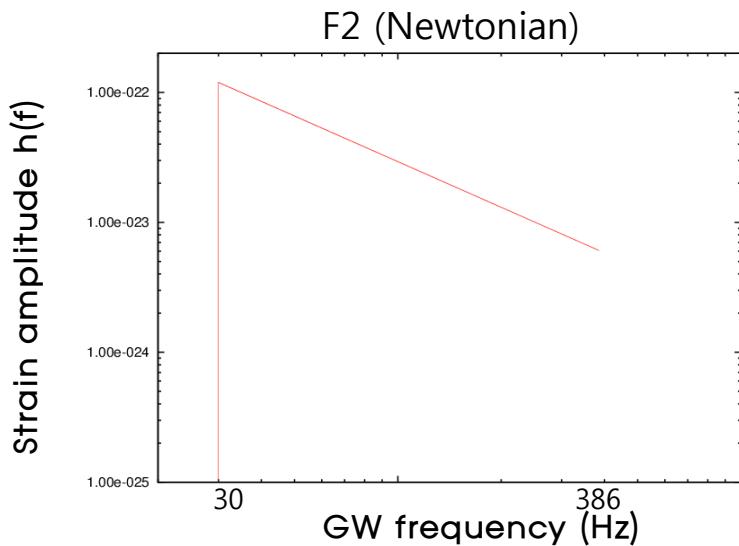
k: harmonic order

# Injections

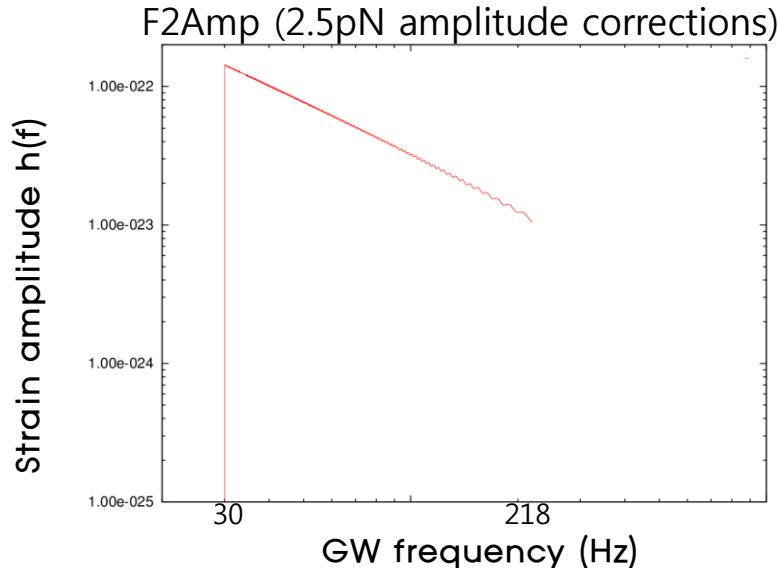
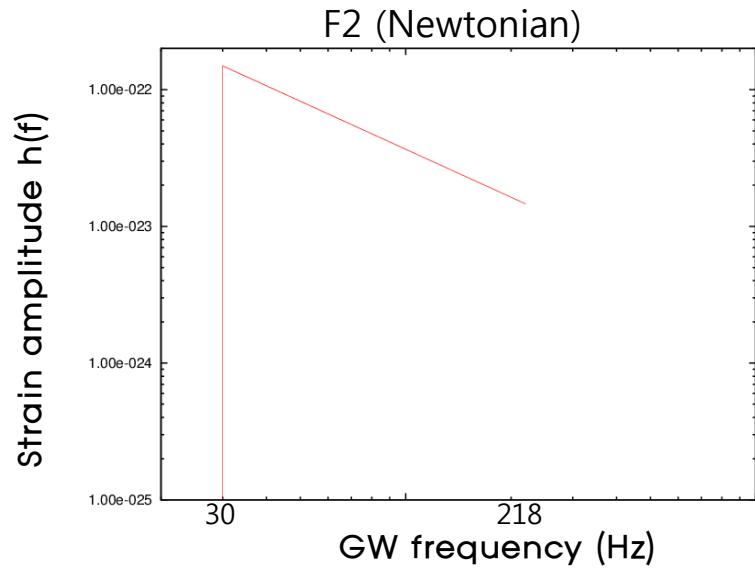
- \* non-spinning compact binary inspirals (9 parameters)
  - \* S/N~20 (by adjusting the distance for a given chirp mass)
  - \* BH mass =  $10 M_{\text{sun}}$ , NS mass =  $1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$
  - \* Initial LIGO-Virgo ( $f_{\text{low}}=30\text{Hz}$ )

# Effects of amplitude corrections

BH-NS inspiral (signal length  $\sim 12$  s) mass ratio = 0.14



BH-BH inspiral (signal length  $\sim 2$  s) mass ratio  $\sim 1.0$



# MCMC computation time

- We measure the time to reach “convergence” of an MCMC chain
- For our injections, a few  $\times 10^6 \sim 10^7$  iterations are required
- Typical computation time at KISTI cluster : days to months
- F2Amp template : 15 times longer CPU times than MCMC with F2
- Computer resource at KISTI GSDC
  - 35 nodes x 12 processors (Intel(R) Xeon(R) CPU X5450, 3.00GHz), REM: 2GB per cpu
  - OS: Scientific Linux 6 (LDG standard) , compiler: icc and gcc
  - scheduler: condor (LDG standard)
  - dedicated to KGWG research

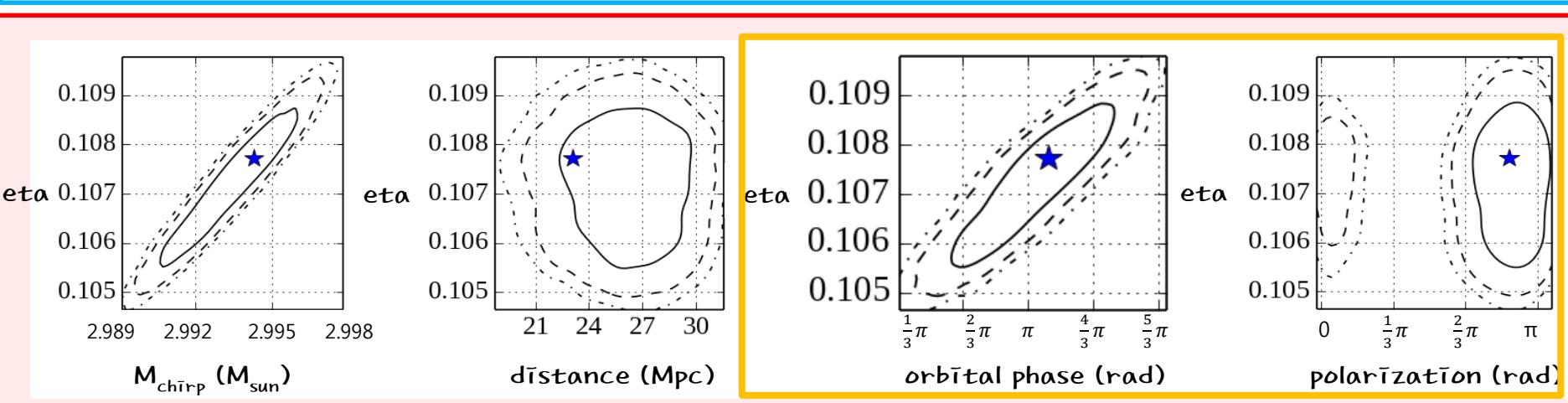
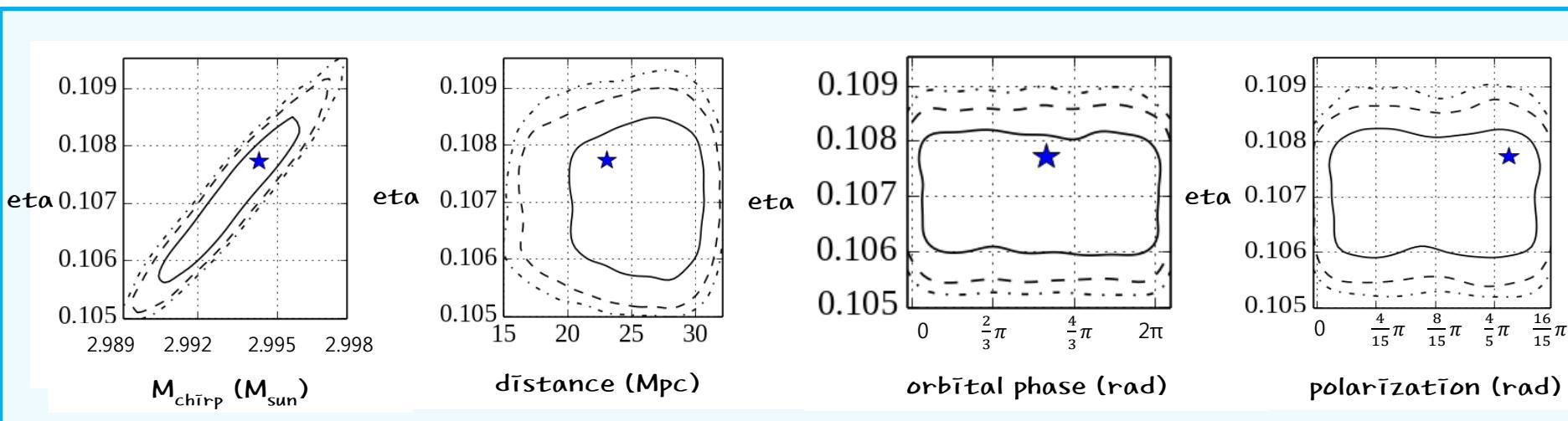
# Results : 2-d contours for BH-NS inspirals

$m_1 = 10 M_{\text{sun}}$   
 $m_2 = 1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$   
 $\eta \approx 0.107$   
 mass ratio  $\approx 0.14$

**injection=template**  
**If neglecting amplitude corrections,  
orbital phase and polarization angles cannot be constrained.**

- ★ : injection
- 67%
- - - 90%
- · - 95%

injection : F2 , template : F2      SNR = 23.8



injection : F2Amp, template : F2Amp      SNR = 21.5

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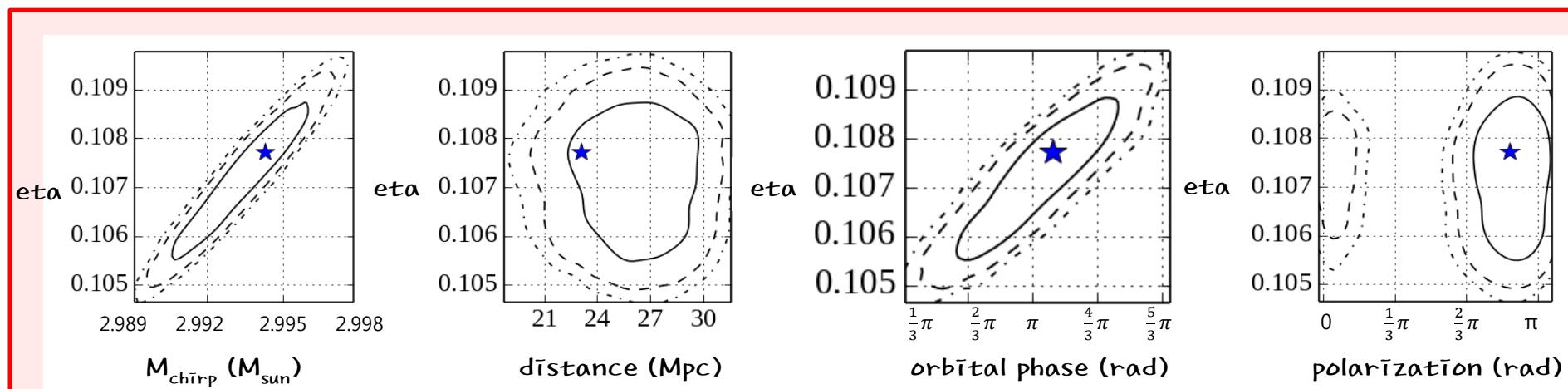
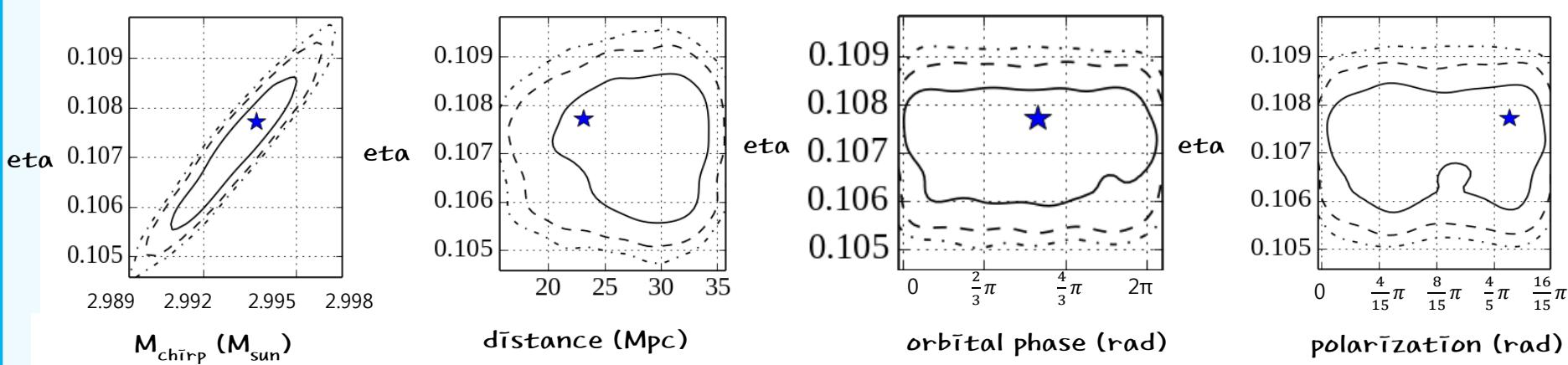
injection=F2Amp, template=F2 or F2Amp

log (evidence) values are similar, but

orbital phase and polarization are constrained only with F2Amp templates.

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- · - 95%

injection : F2Amp , template : F2 log(evidence) = 196.5



injection : F2Amp, template : F2Amp log(evidence) = 197.1

# Results : 2-d contours for BH-BH inspirals

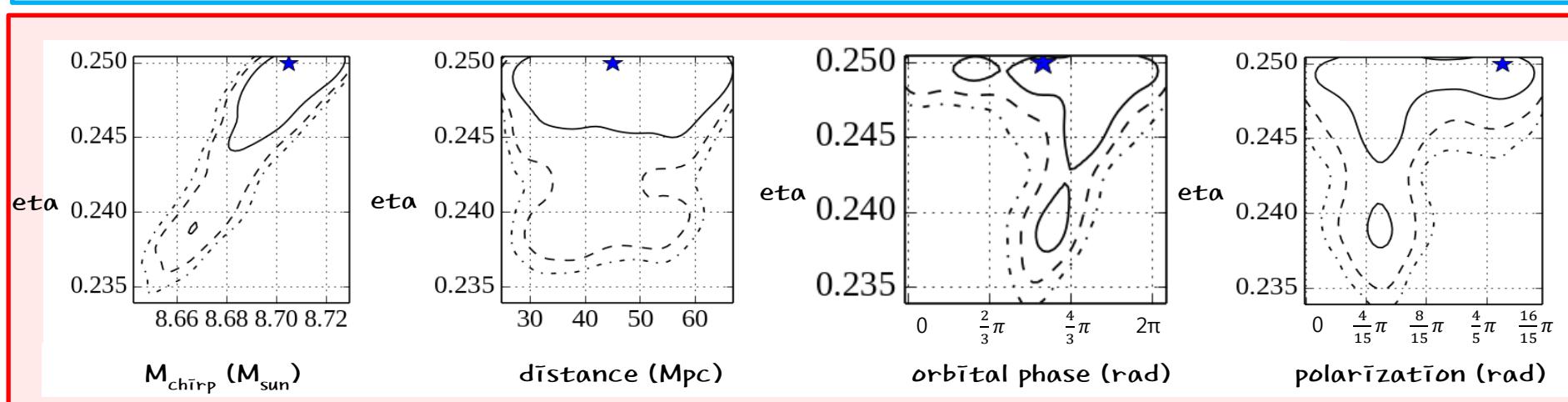
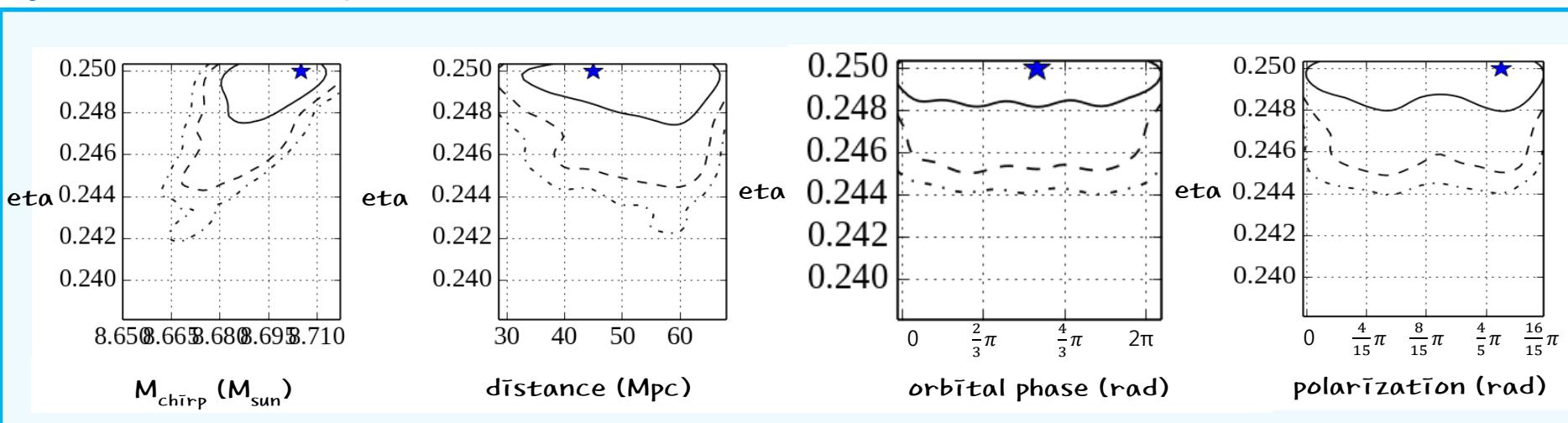
$m_1 = 10.1 M_{\text{sun}}$   
 $m_2 = 9.9 M_{\text{sun}}$   
 $\eta \approx 0.25$   
 mass ratio  $\approx 1.0$

injection=template

amplitude corrections are more important for non-equal mass systems

- ★ : injection
- 67%
- - - 90%
- · - 95%

injection : F2 , template : F2      SNR = 25.8



injection : F2Amp, template : F2Amp      SNR = 23.1

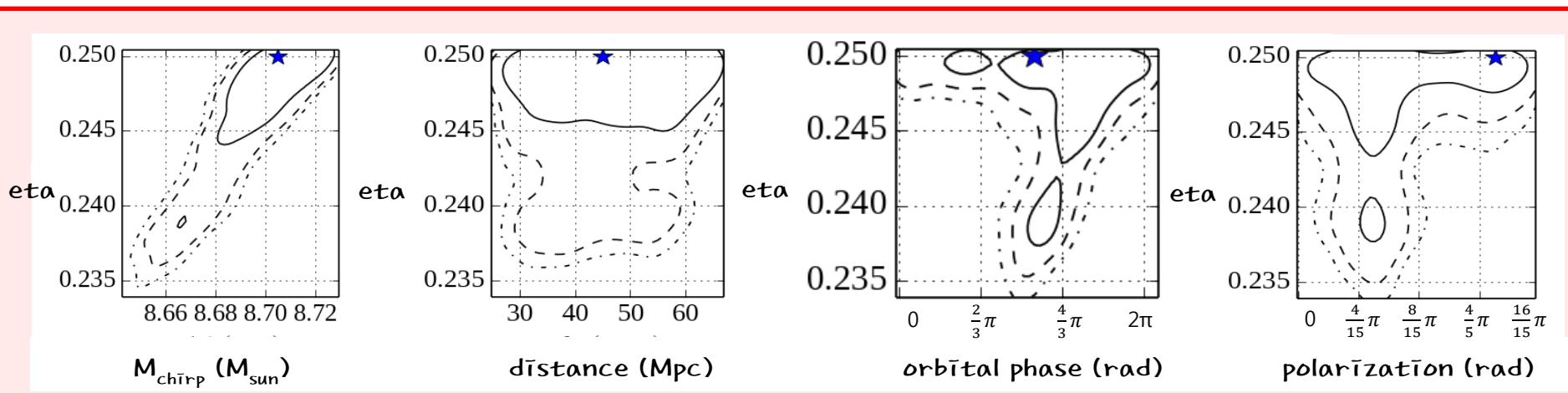
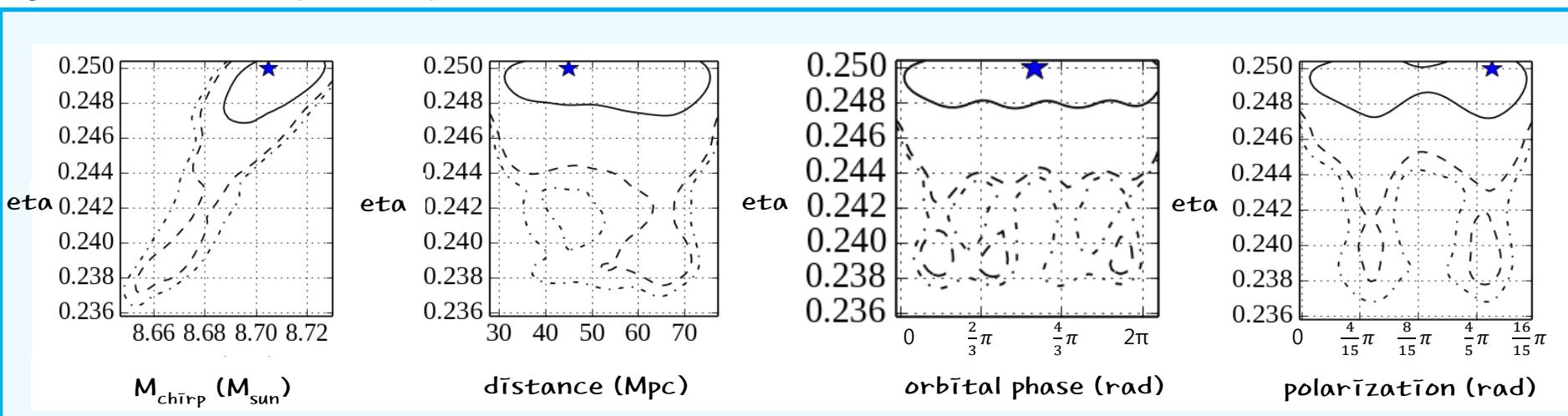
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injection=F2Amp, template=F2 or F2Amp

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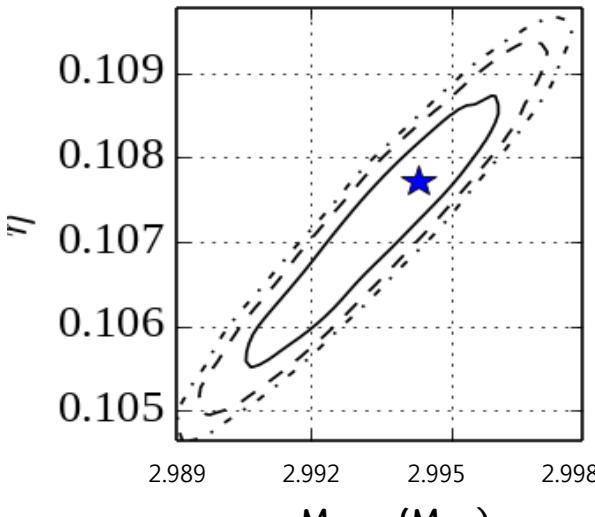
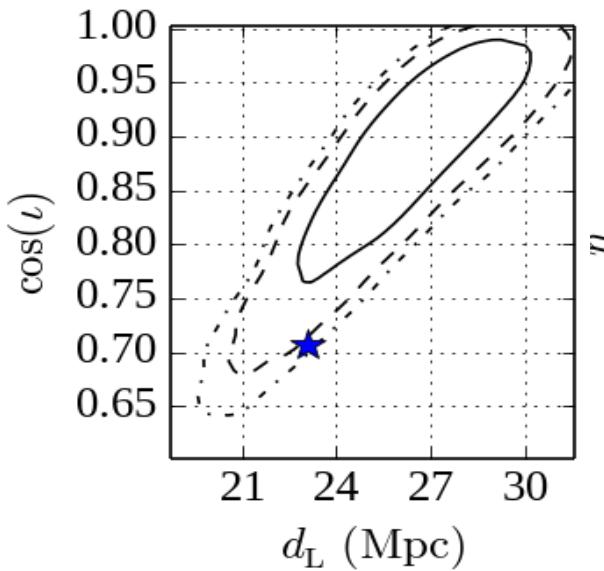
injection : F2Amp , template : F2 log(evidence) = 226.2



injection : F2Amp, template : F2Amp log(evidence) = 236.9

# Comparison between F2Amp and SpinTaylorT4

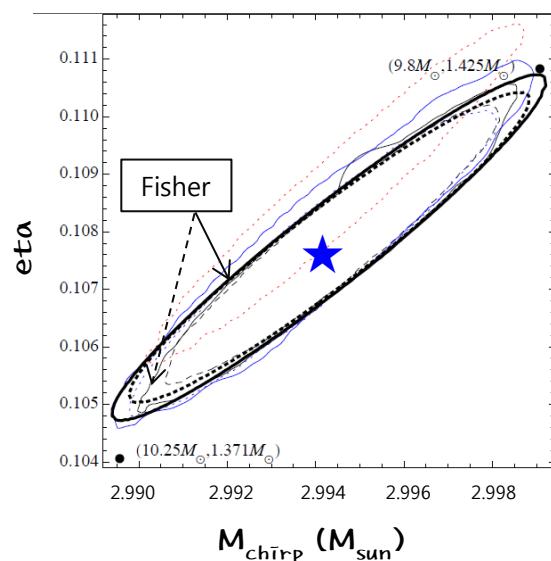
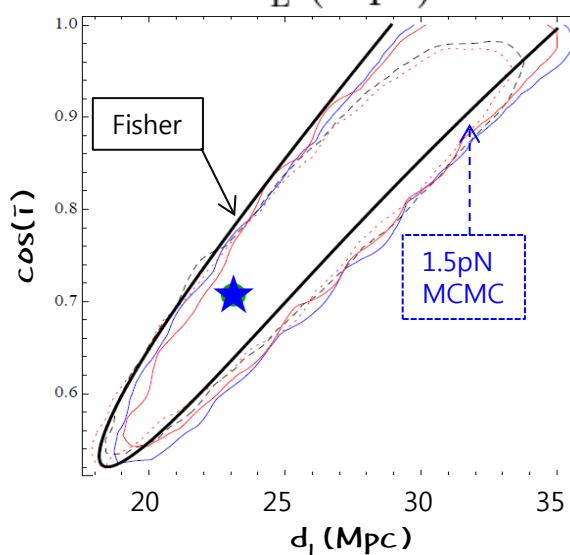
non-spinning BH-NS inspiral with the initial LIGO-Virgo network  
same injection parameters, same Gaussian noise realizations



TaylorF2Amp  
(2.5pN amplitude corrections)

- ★ : injection
- 67%
- - - 90%
- · - 95%

MCMC only



SpinTaylorT4  
(1.5pN amplitude corrections)

Cho et al. 2013, PRD, 87, 024004

All contours: 90% confidence interval  
solid: Newtonian, dashed: 1.5pN

Fisher + MCMC

# Summary

- We developed TaylorF2Amp and tested it with lalinference\_mcmc (2.5pN amplitude + 3.5pN phase corrections)
- LAL parameter estimation library is partially reviewed with frequency-domain waveforms. Code profiling with lalinference\_mcmc will be discussed in the afternoon (DAS technical session).
- MCMC results are similar to what was presented by Cho et al. (2013) with SpinTaylorT4 waveform: Amplitude corrections allow us to constrain orbital phase and polarization. Marginal improvements in mass, distance, inclination.
- Typical computation time: a few days (non-spinning, Newtonian, F2). When amplitude corrections (2.5pN) are turned on, computation time increases by a factor of 15!
- Only strong sources with different masses (if known from a detection pipeline) will be worth being analyzed with amplitude corrections.

# Future Work

- To try more MCMC simulations for various injections
- To compare MCMC results and computation time
  - 1.5pN vs 2.5pN amplitude corrections with F2Amp
  - F2Amp vs time-domain waveforms
  - MCMC vs Fisher Matrix predictions with F2Amp
- To make aligned-spin F2 “injections” available for LALInference
- To keep working on the code optimization (of F2Amp), in order to reduce computation time with parameter estimation pipeline