Binary observations from Advanced LIGO

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Upper limits on the rates of binary neutron star and neutron-star--black-hole mergers from Advanced LIGO's first observing run

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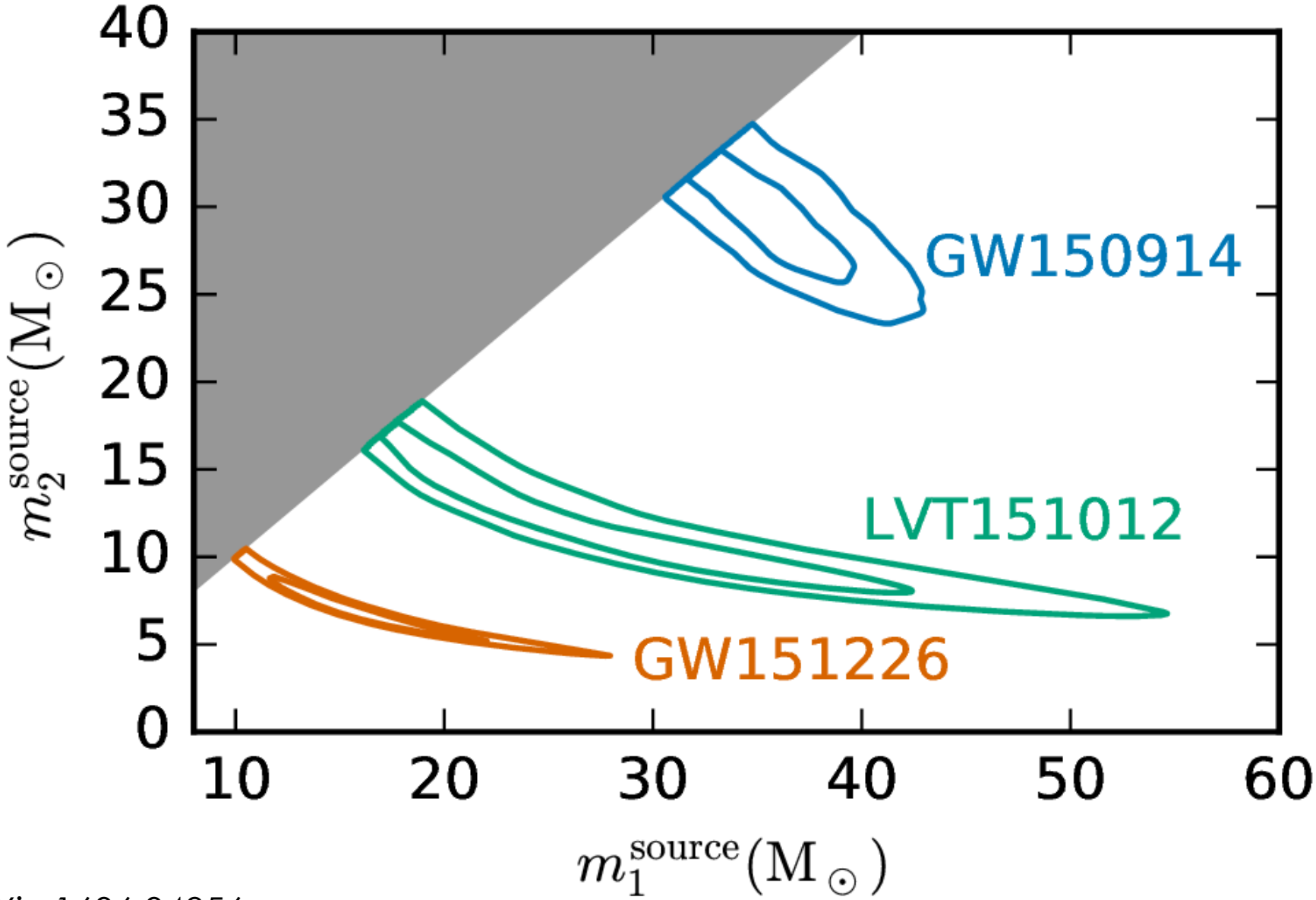
We report here the non-detection of gravitational waves from the merger of binary neutron star systems and neutron-star--black-hole systems during the first observing run of Advanced LIGO. In particular we searched for gravitational wave signals from binary neutron star systems with component masses $\in [1,3]M_\odot$ and component dimensionless spins < 0.05. We also searched for neutron-star--black-hole systems with the same neutron star parameters, black hole mass $\in [2,99]M_\odot$ and no restriction on the black hole spin magnitude. We assess the sensitivity of the two LIGO detectors to these systems, and find that they could have detected the merger of binary neutron star systems with component mass distributions of $1.35 \pm 0.13 M_\odot$ at a volume-weighted average distance of $\sim$ 70Mpc, and for neutron-star--black-hole systems with neutron star masses of $1.4 M_\odot$ and black hole masses of at least $5 M_\odot$, a volume-weighted average distance of at least $\sim$ 110Mpc. From this we constrain with 90% confidence the merger rate to be less than 12,600 Gpc^{-3} yr^{-1} for binary-neutron star systems and less than 3,600 Gpc^{-3} yr^{-1} for neutron-star--black-hole systems. We find that if no detection of neutron-star binary mergers is made in the next two Advanced LIGO and Advanced Virgo observing runs we would place significant constraints on the merger rates. Finally, assuming a rate of 10^{+20}_{-7} Gpc^{-3} yr^{-1} short gamma ray bursts beamed towards the Earth and assuming that all short gamma-ray bursts have binary-neutron-star (neutron-star--black-hole) progenitors we can use our 90% confidence rate upper limits to constrain the beaming angle of the gamma-ray burst to be greater than $2.3^{+1.7^\circ}_{-1.1}$ ($4.3^{+3.1^\circ}_{-1.9}$).



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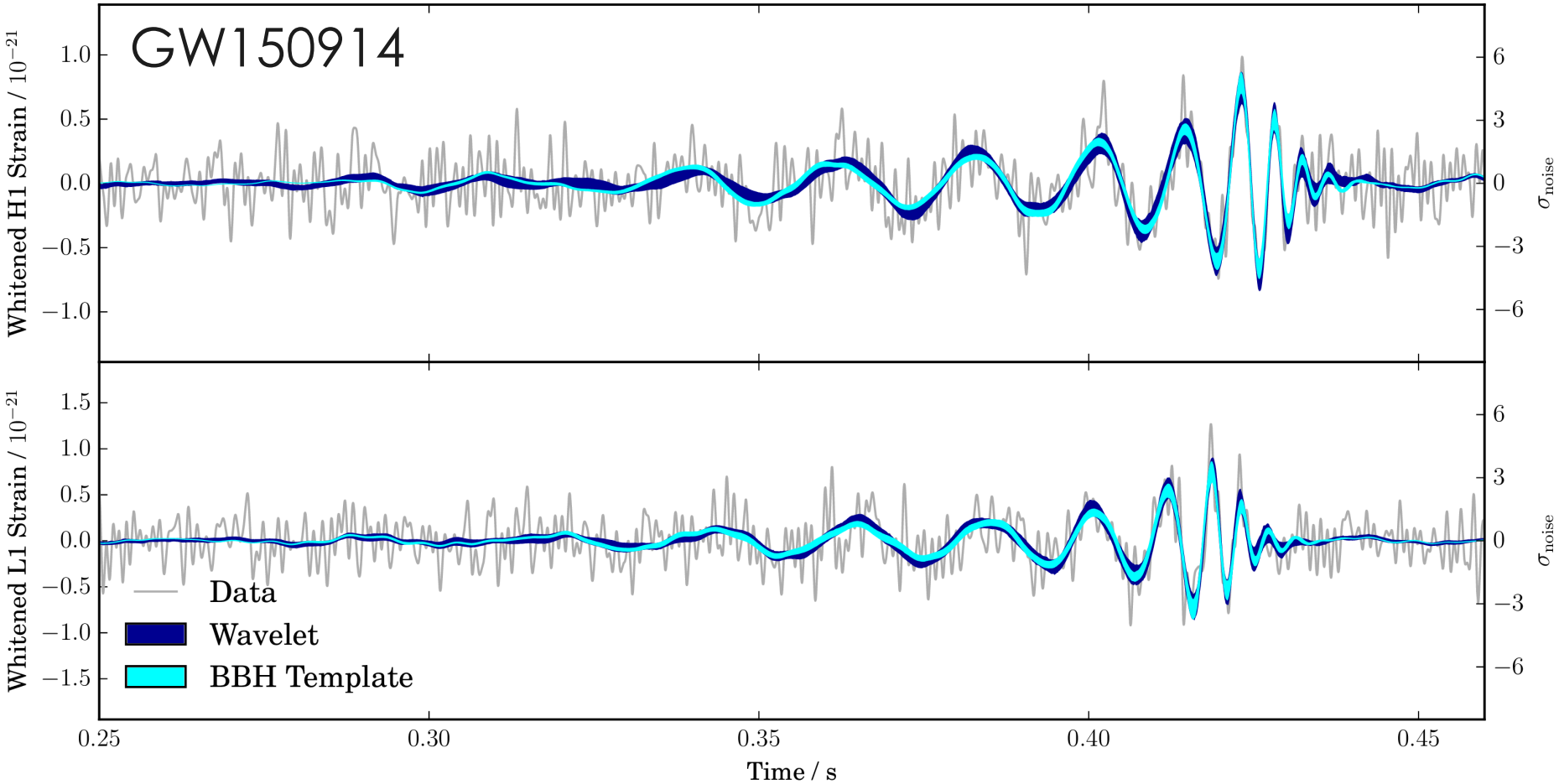

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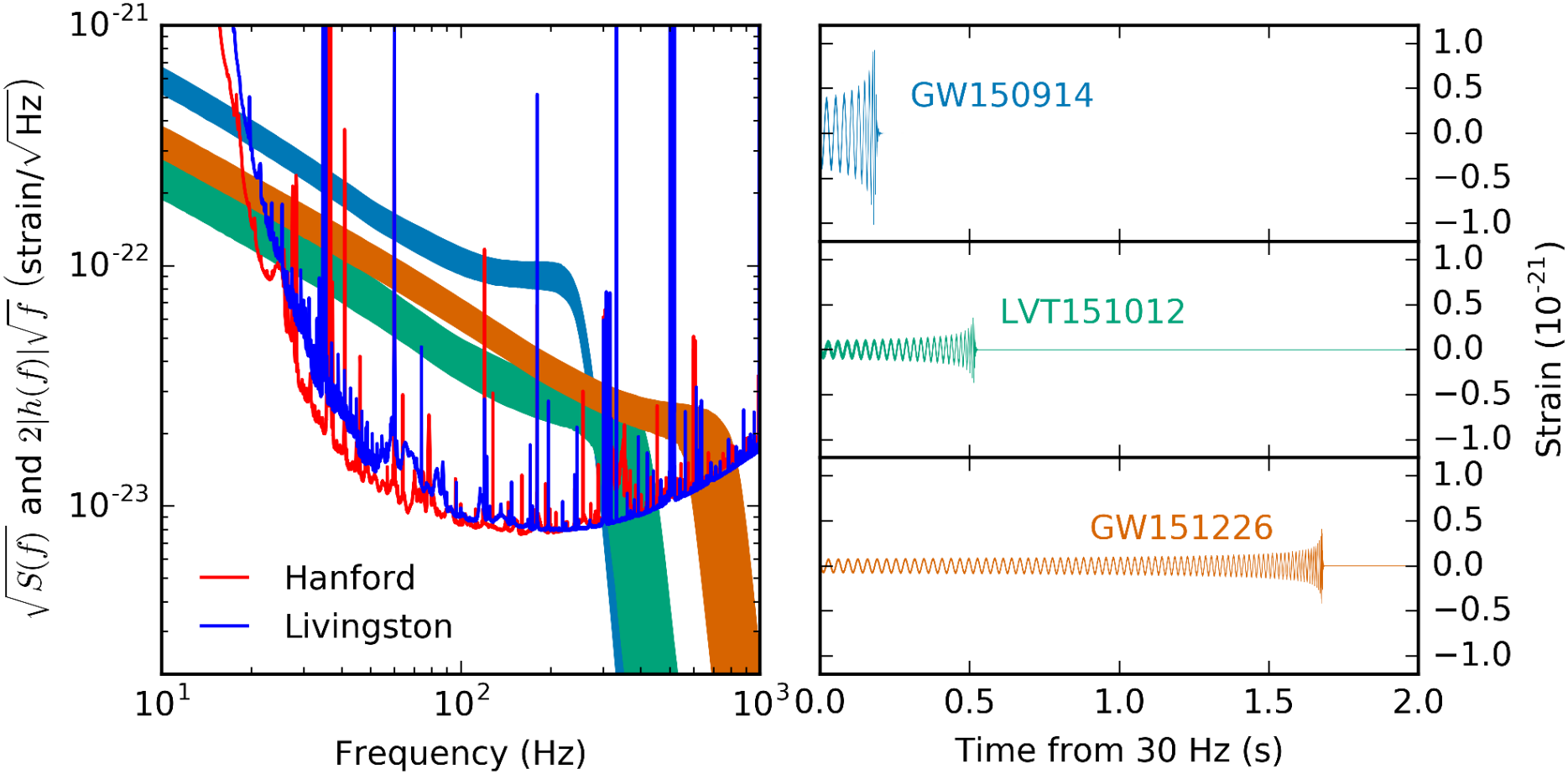

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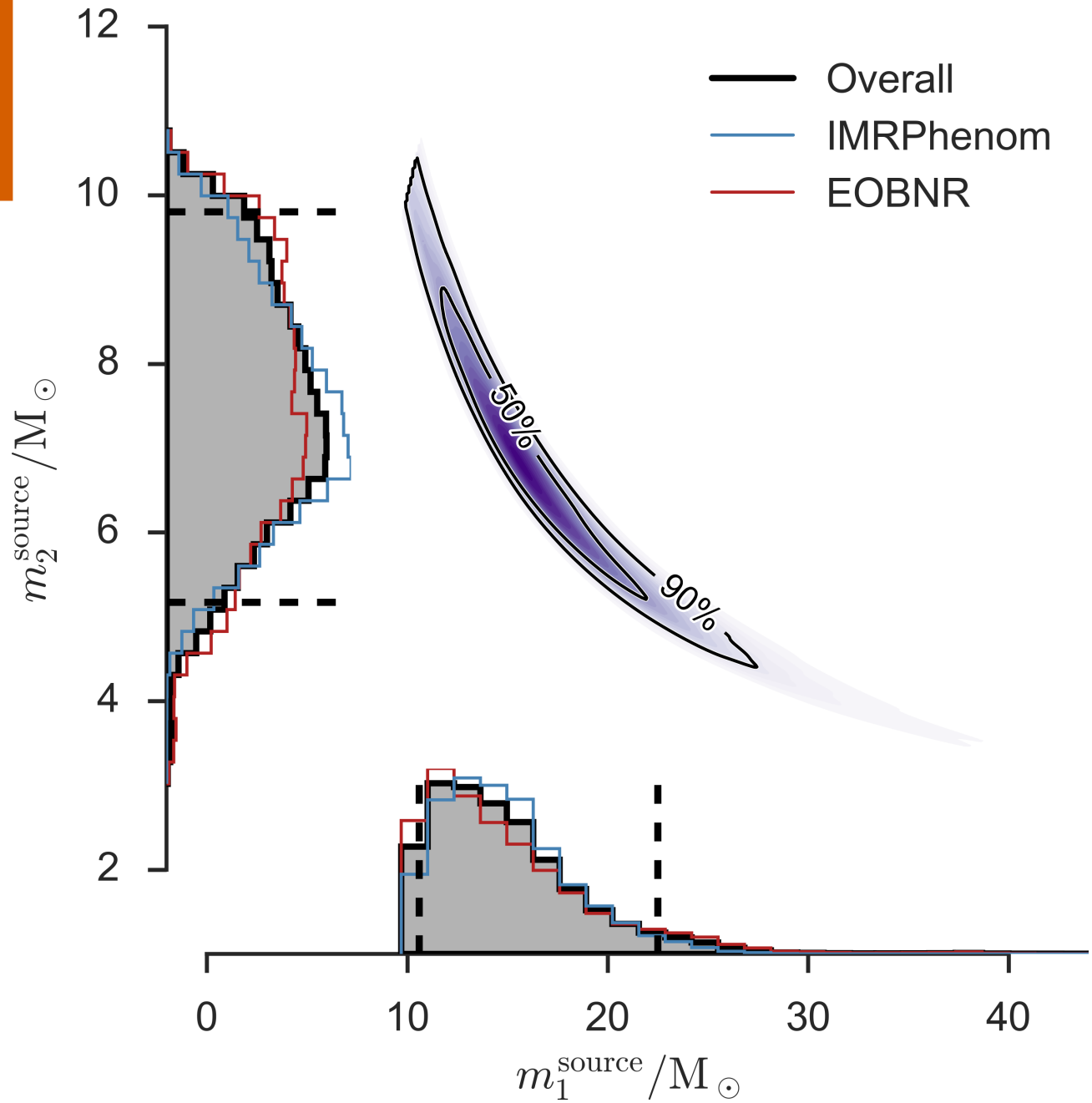

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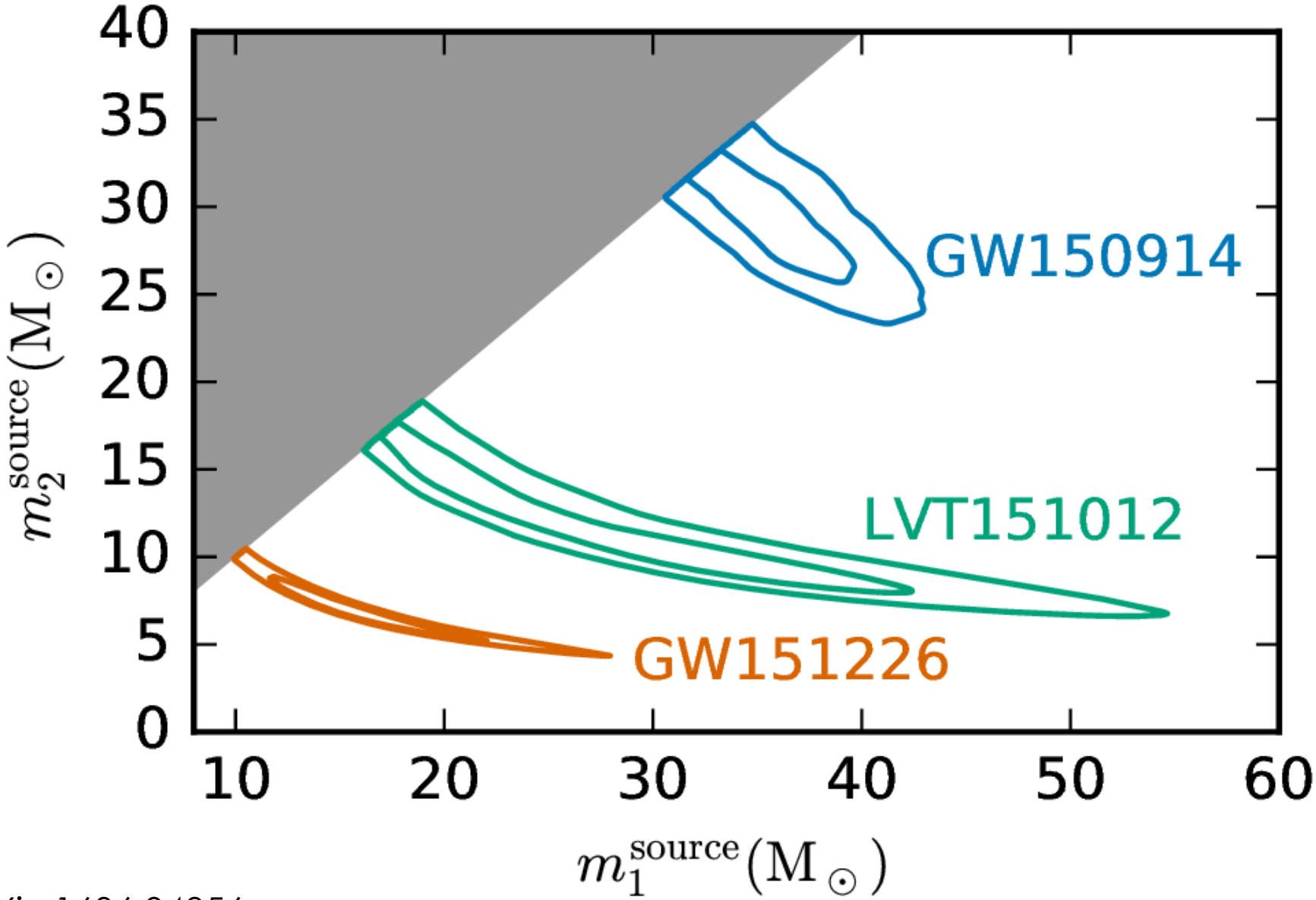

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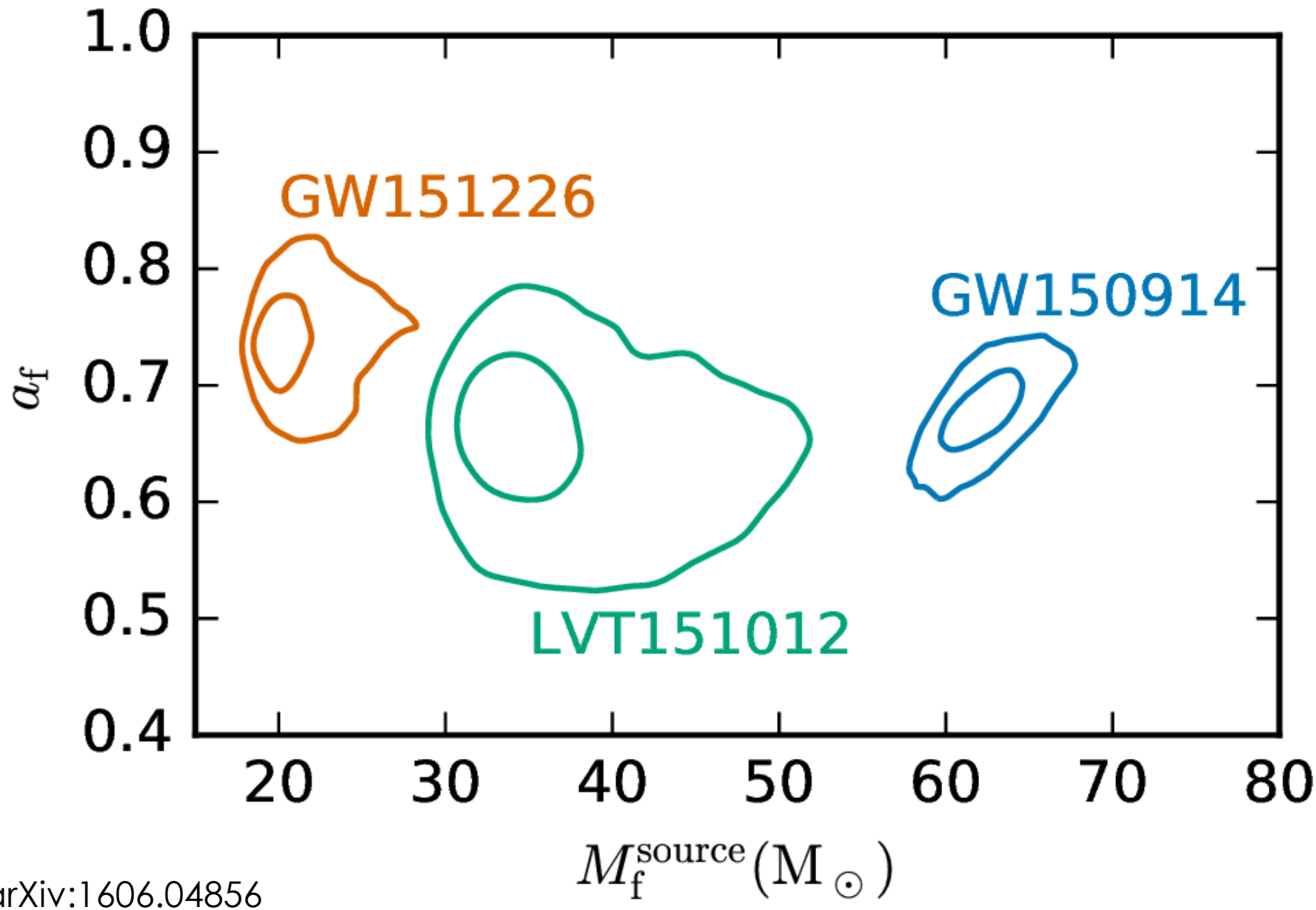

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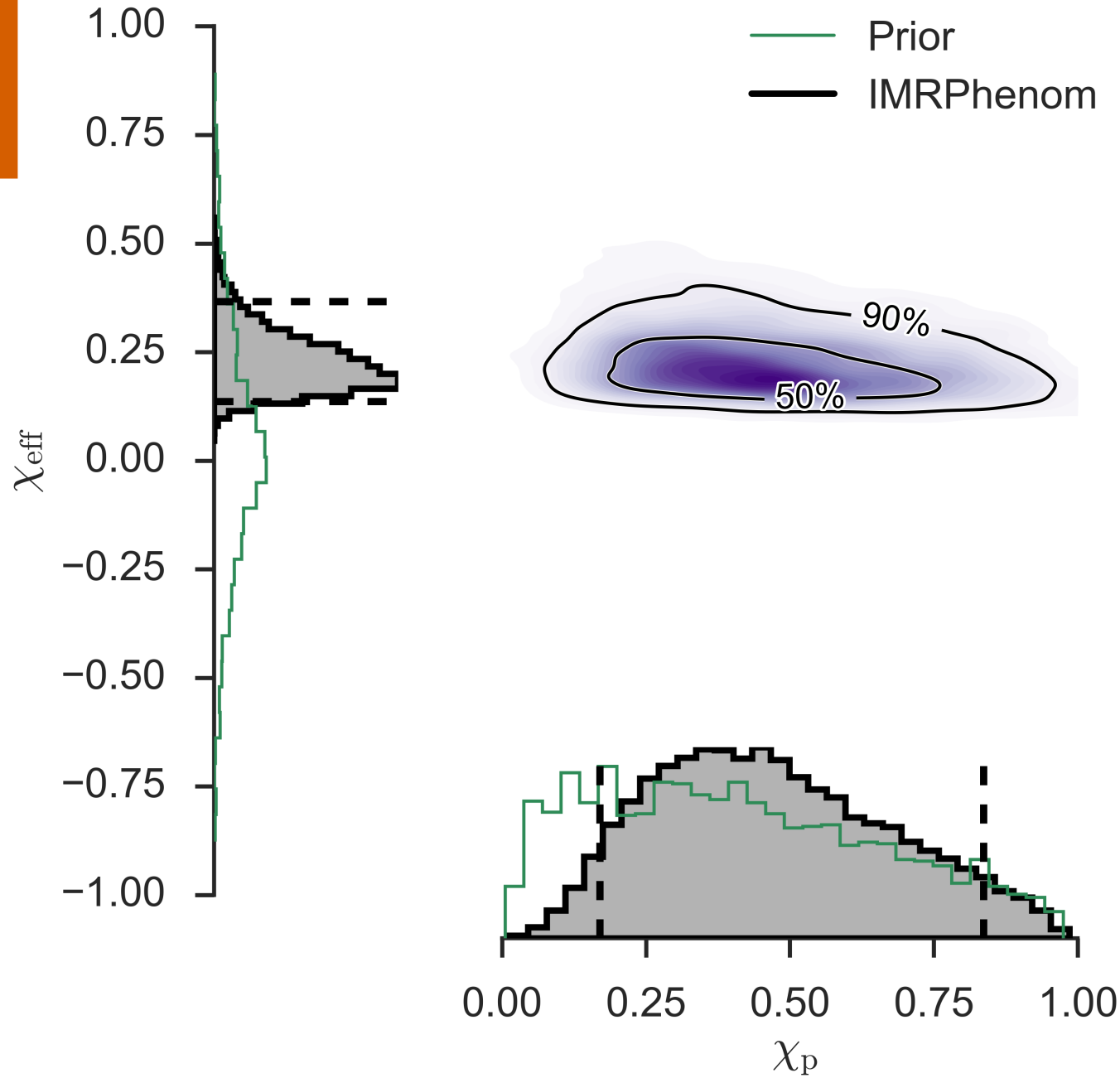

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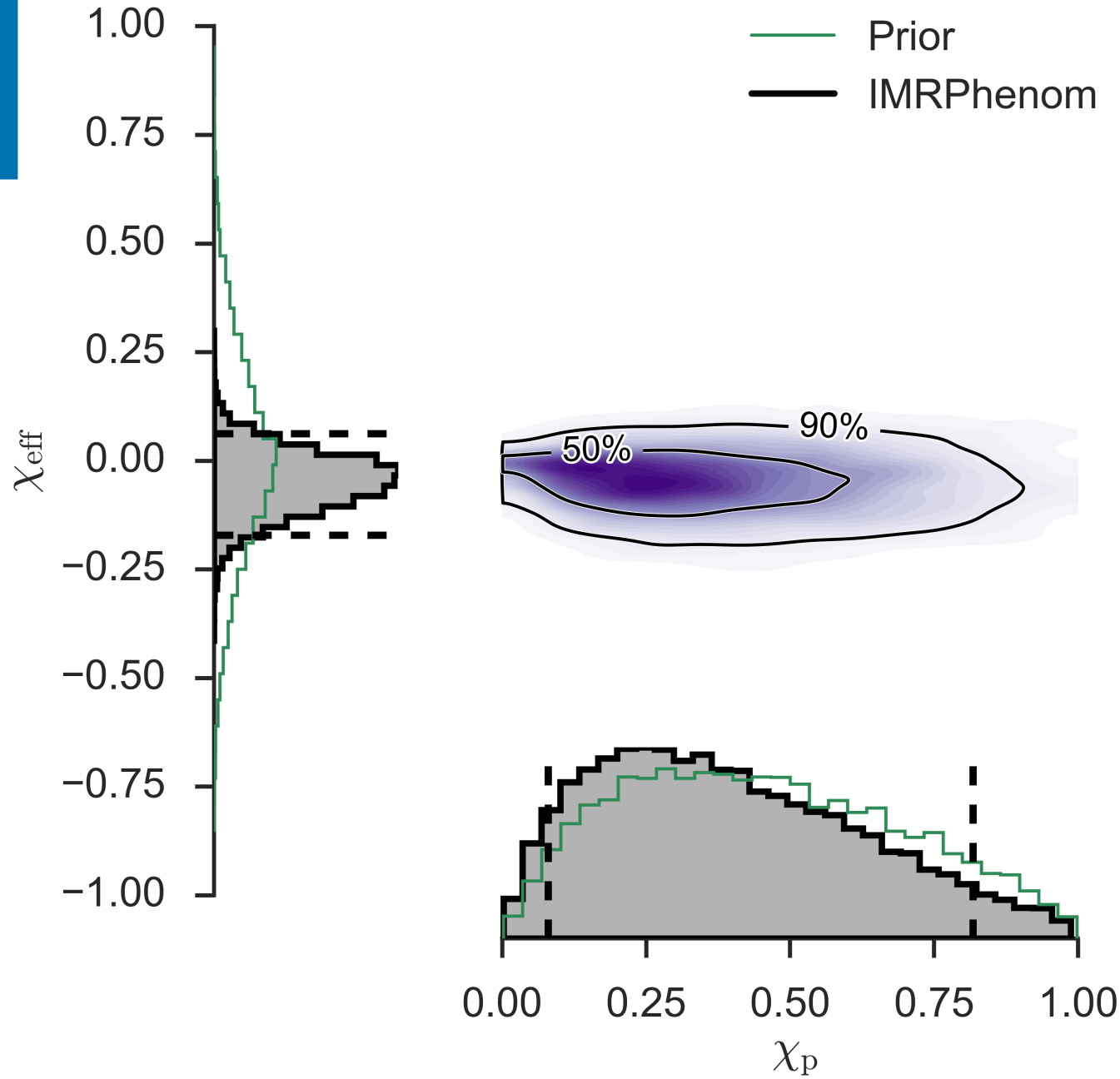

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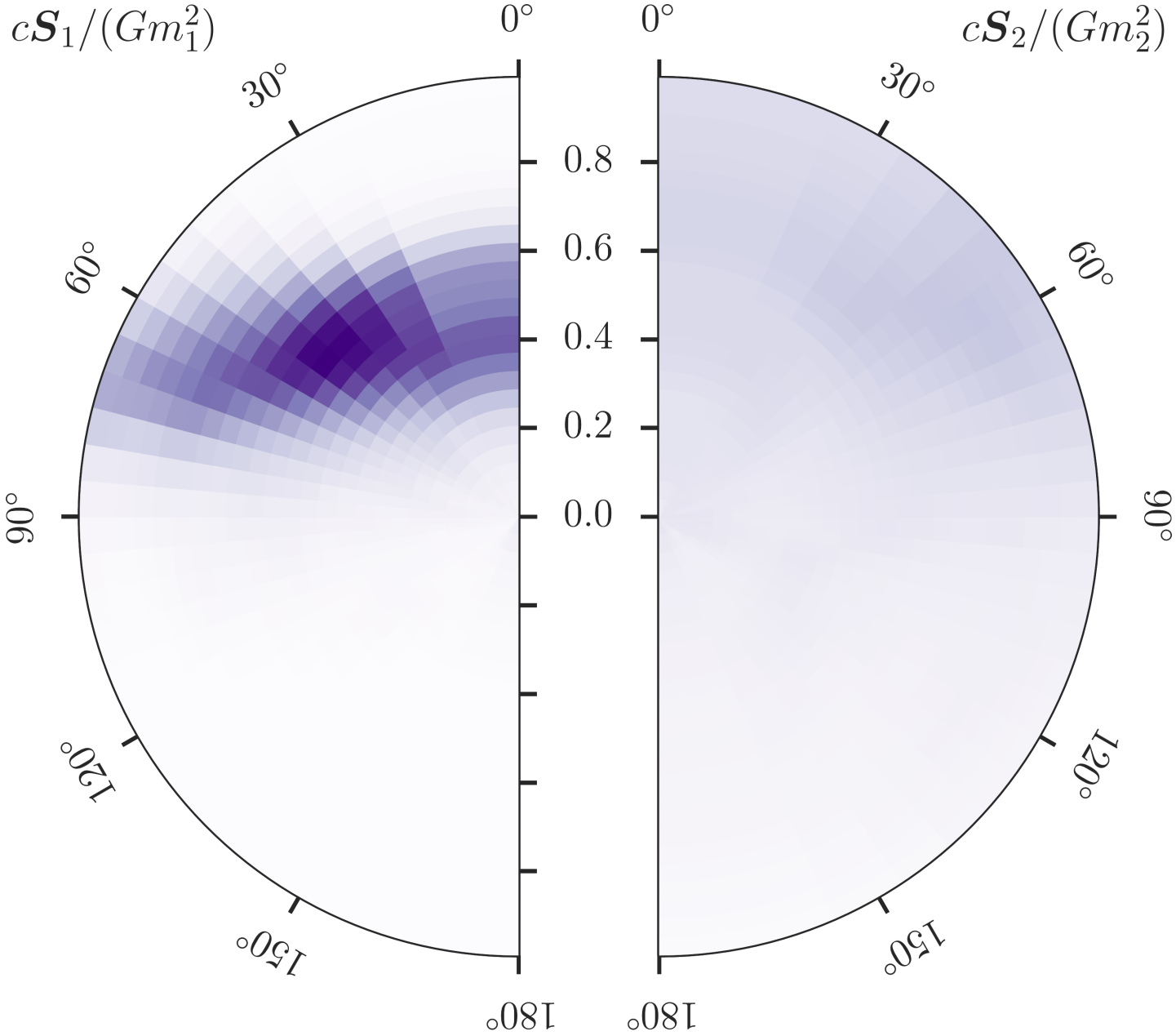

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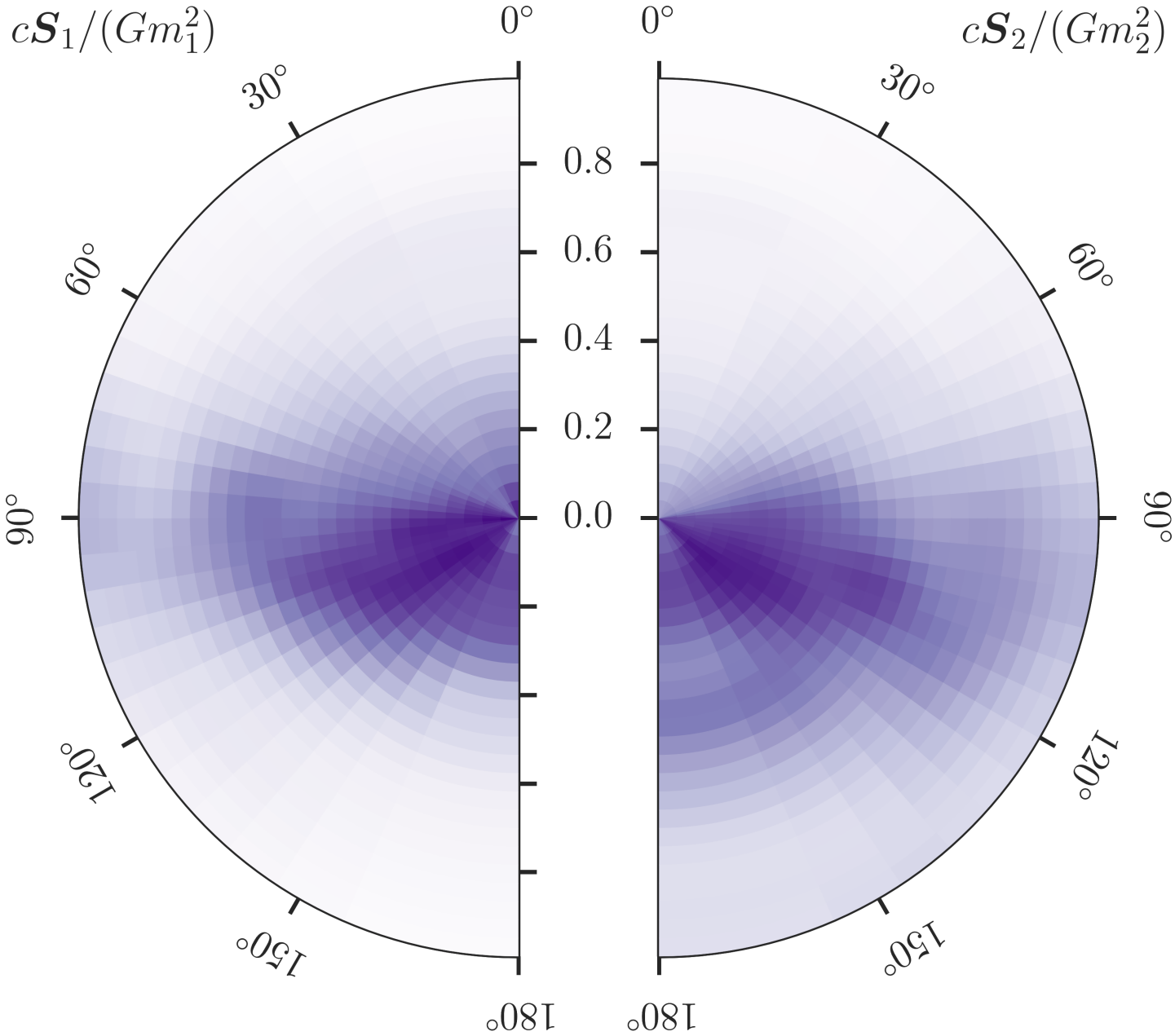

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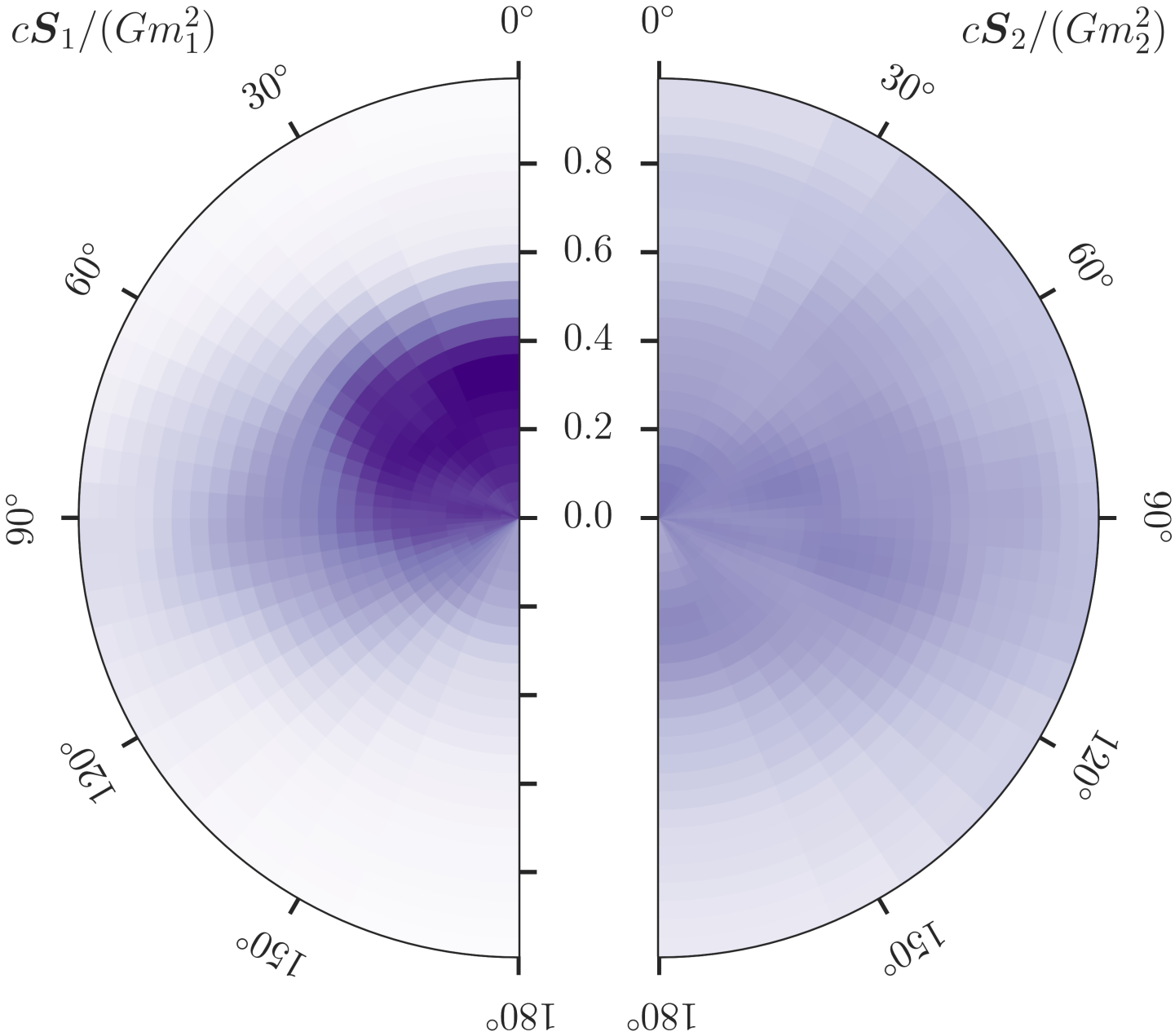

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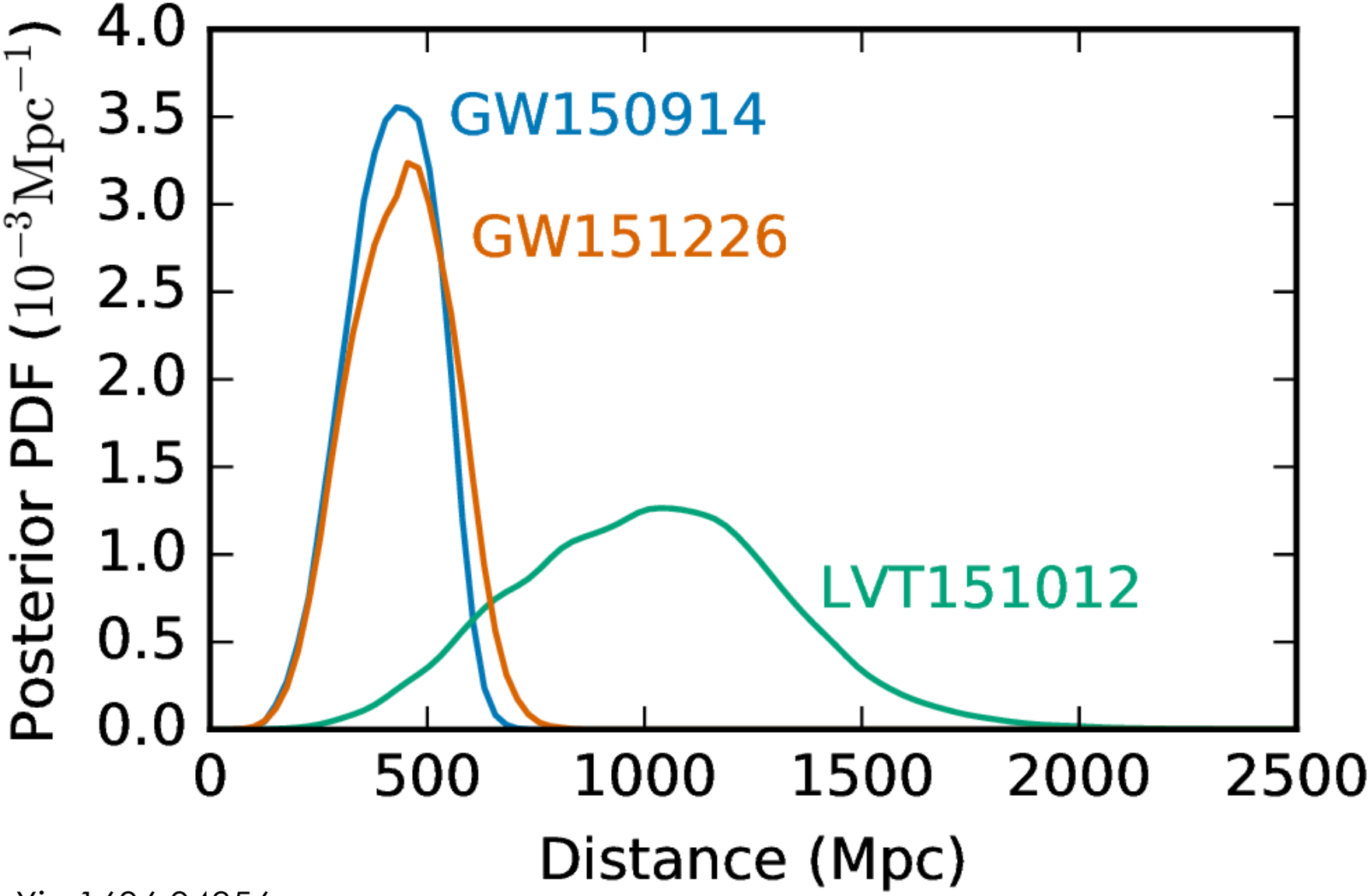

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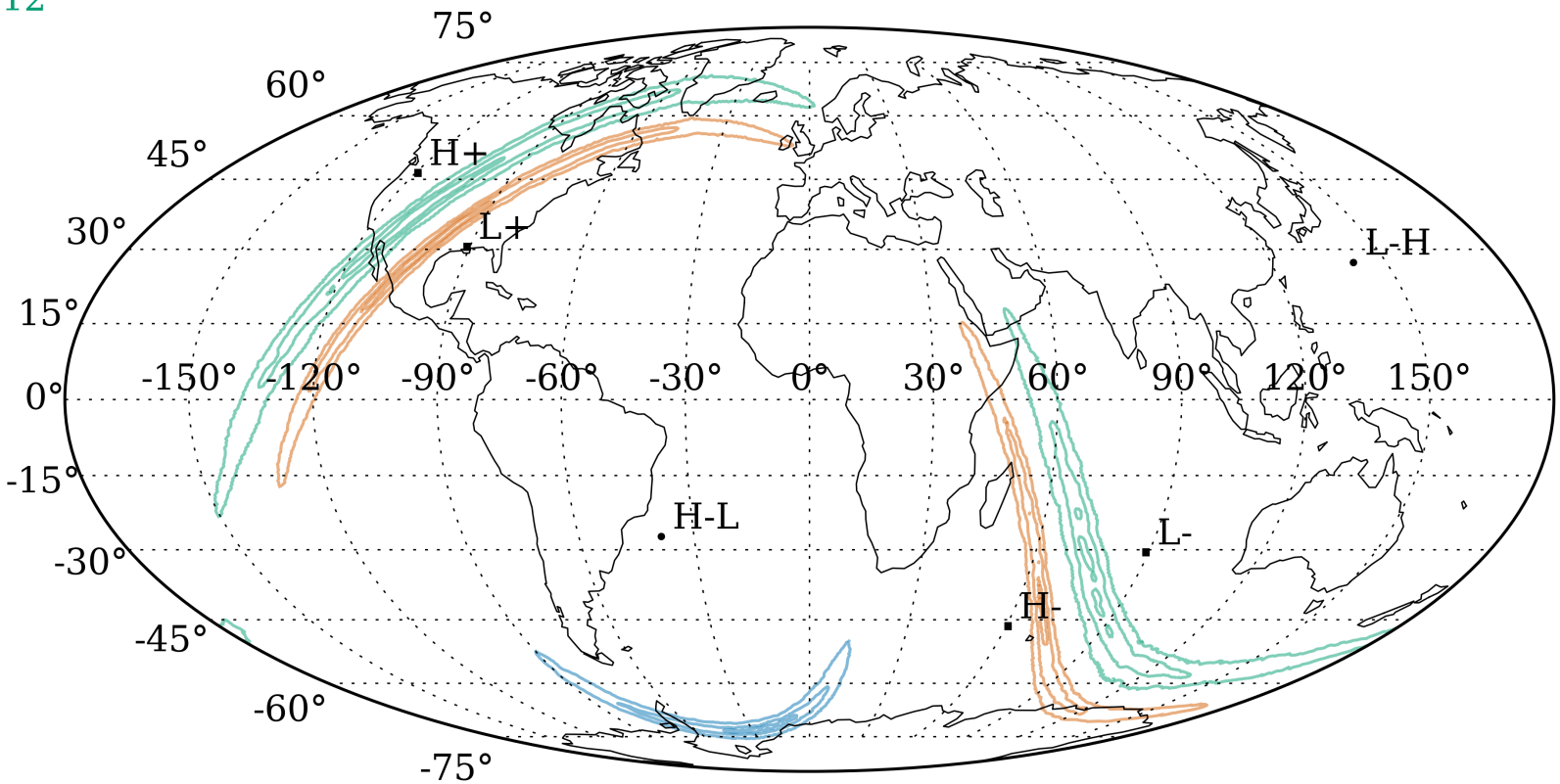

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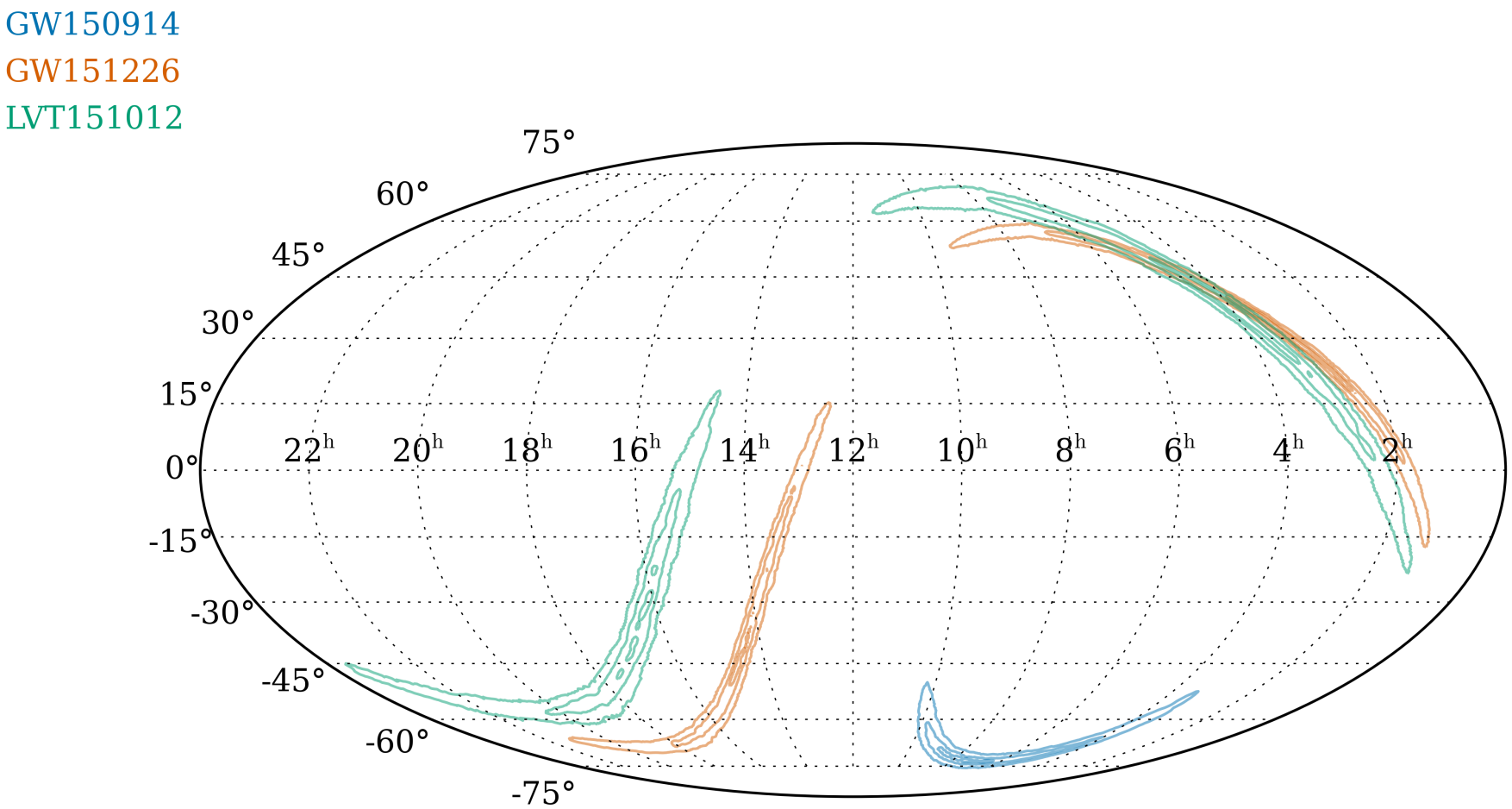

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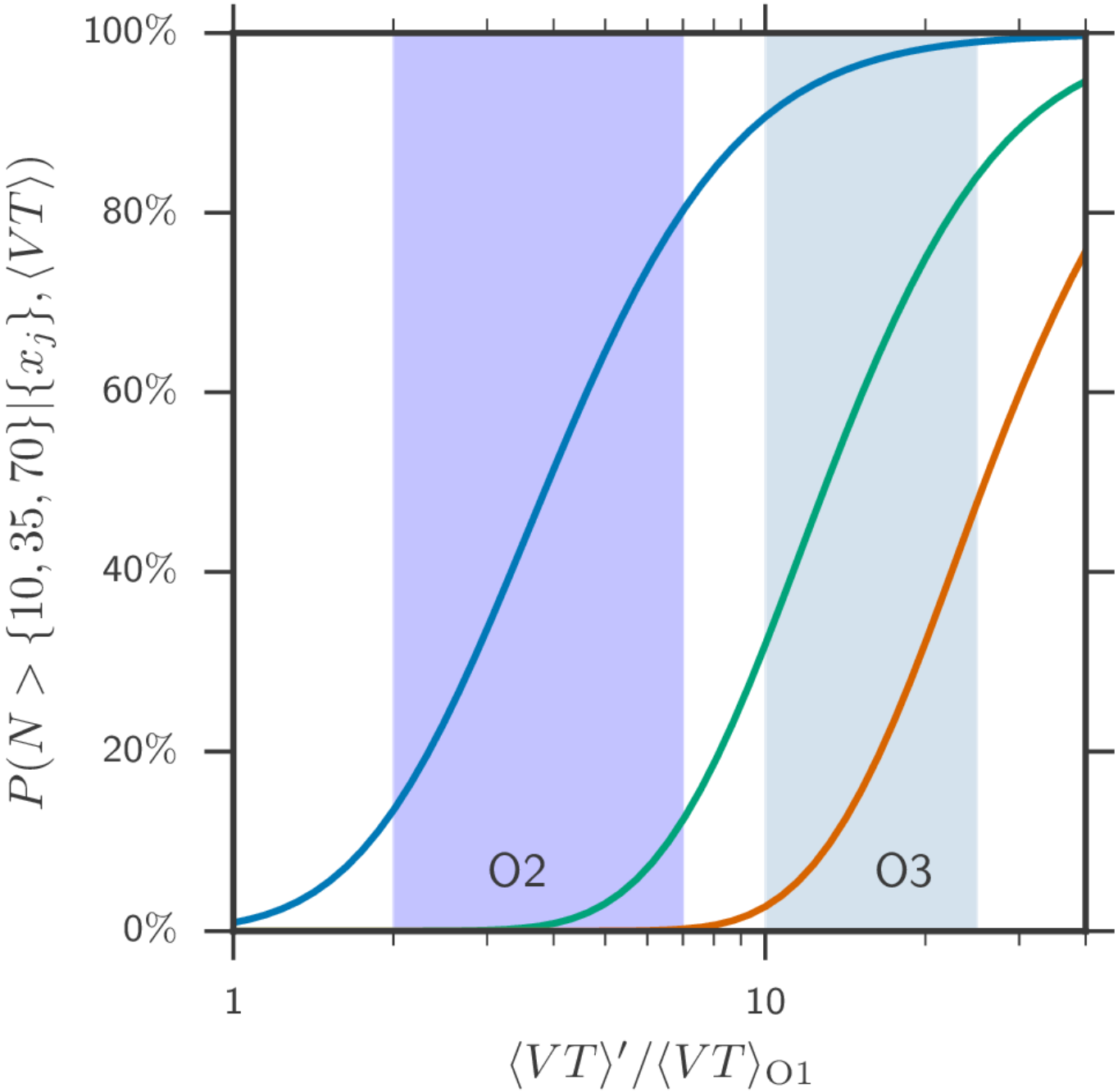

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- There is a family of heavy binary black holes
- Physics of the source is encoded in the waveform
- Spin uncertain but moderate values preferred
- Two-detector sky localization is broad
- There will be more detections

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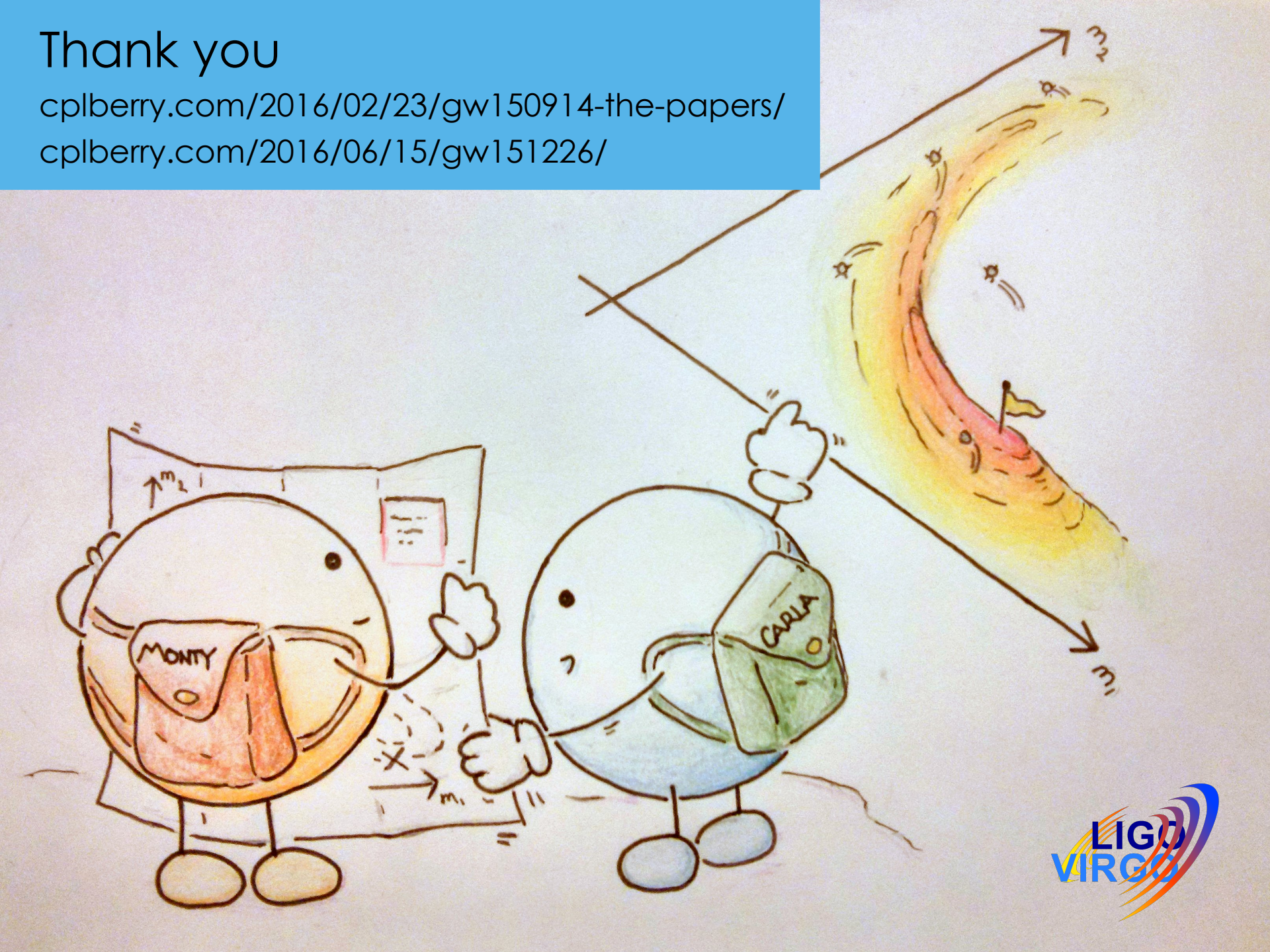

Bayes' theorem

$$p(\theta|d) = \frac{p(d|\theta)\, p(\theta)}{p(d)}$$

Bayes' theorem

Likelihood

Prior

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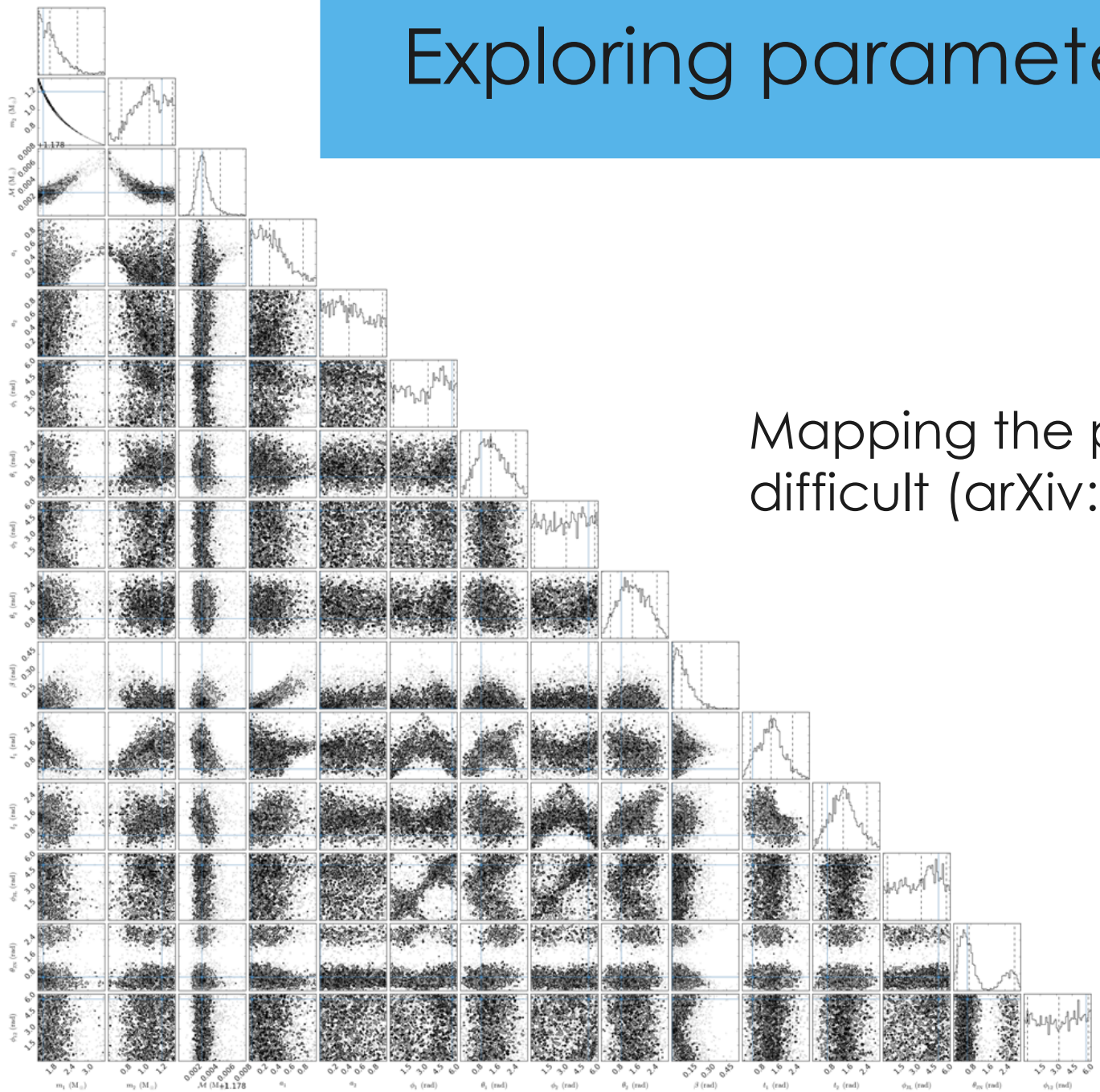
Posterior

Evidence

Exploring parameter space



Mapping the posterior is difficult (arXiv:1409.7215)

Likelihood

$$p(d|\theta) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\sum_k \langle h_k(\theta) - d_k | h_k(\theta) - d_k \rangle\right]$$

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Waveform

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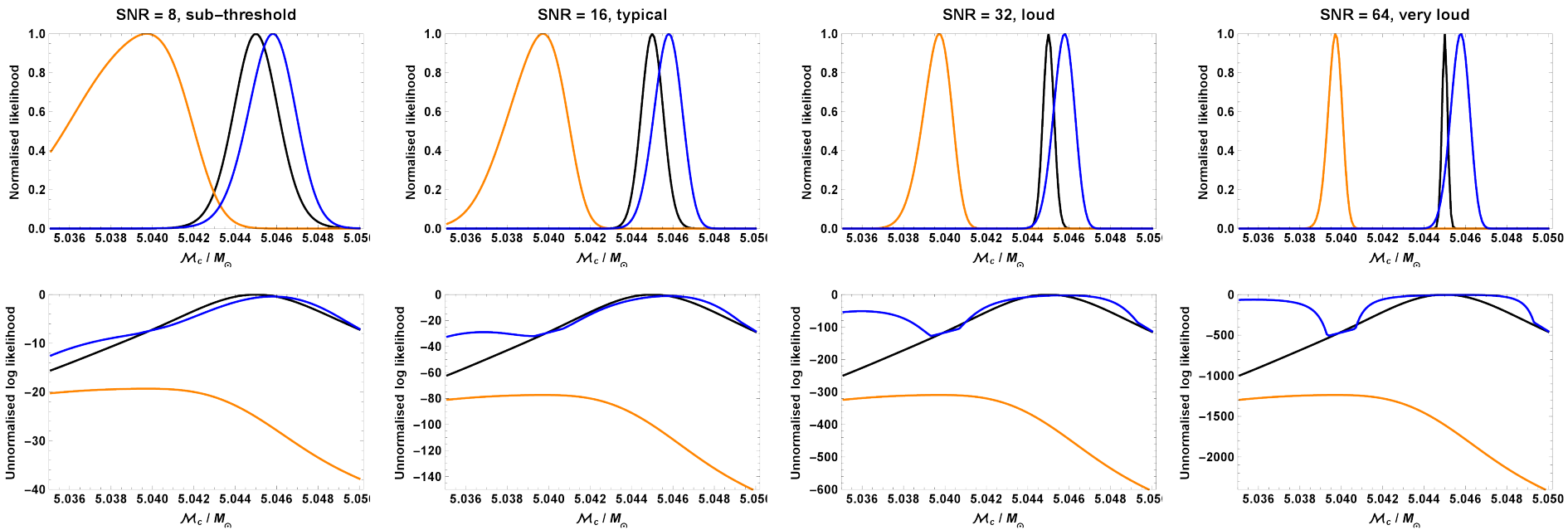
Waveform error

Waveforms introduce theoretical error (arXiv:0707.2982).
Mitigated using Gaussian processes (arXiv:1509.04066).



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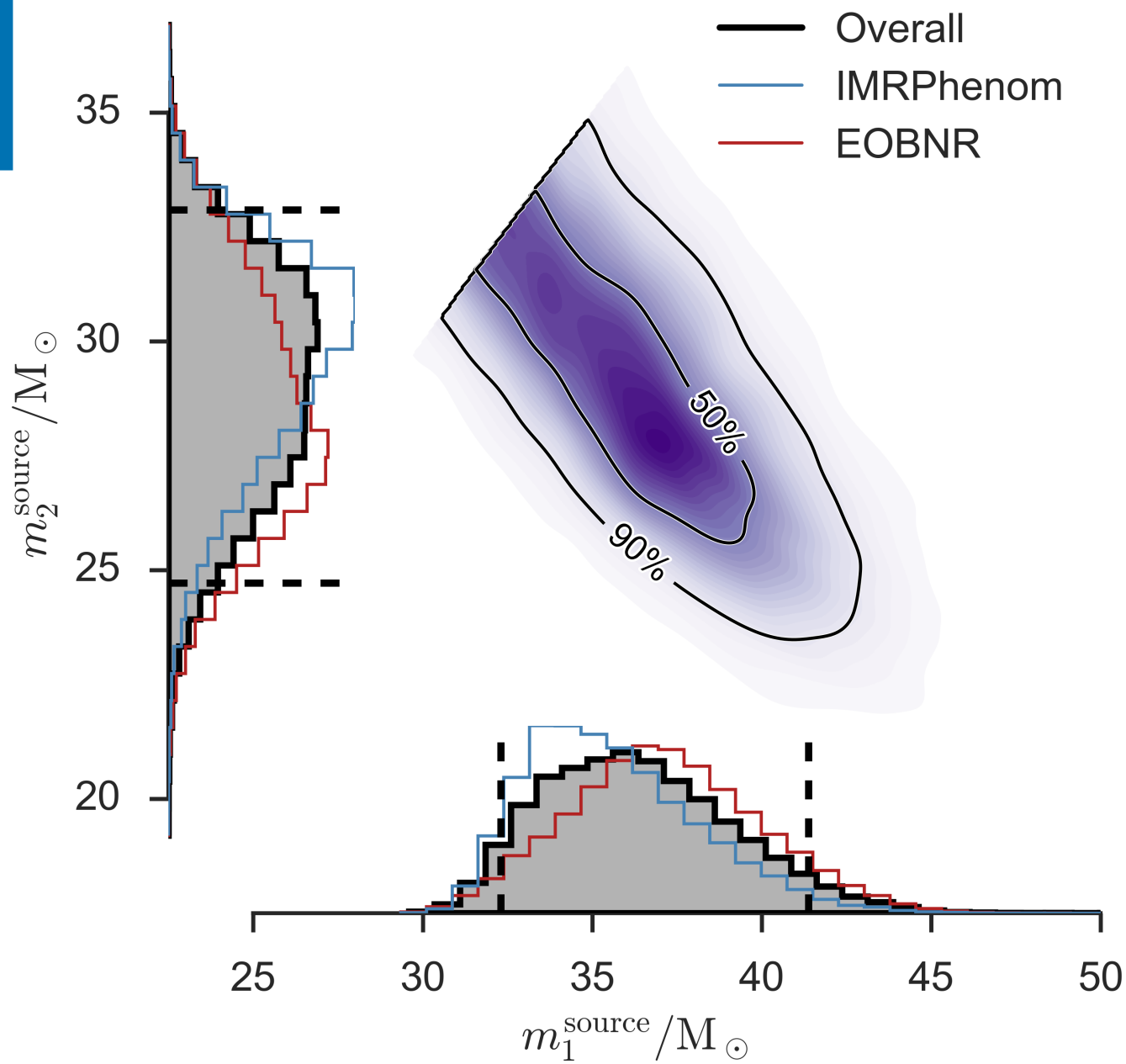
Chirp mass

$$\mathcal{M}_{\mathrm{c}} = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{3/5}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{1/5}}$$

Chirp mass gives leading-order amplitude and phase evolution (arXiv:0903.0338)

Masses



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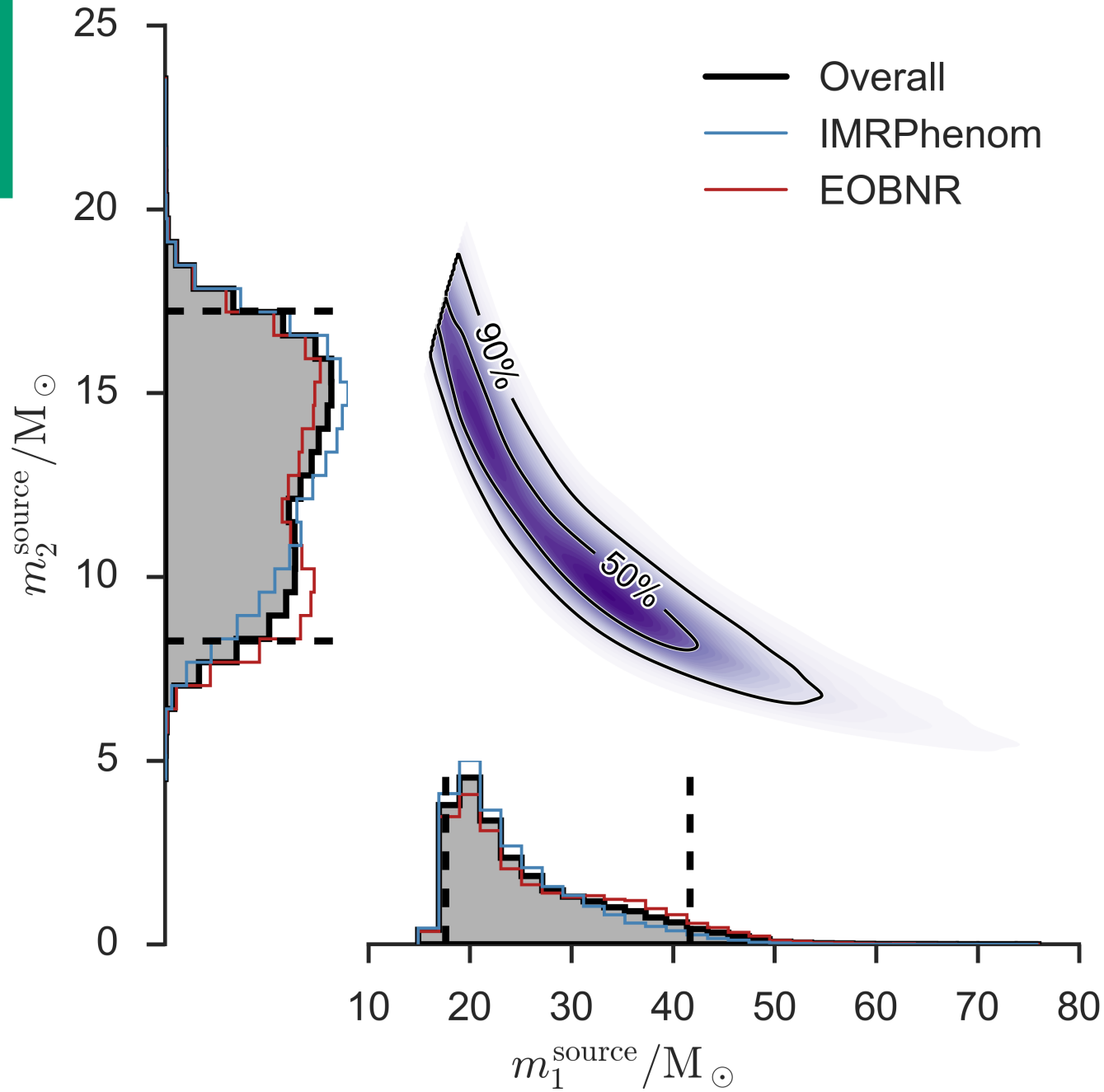

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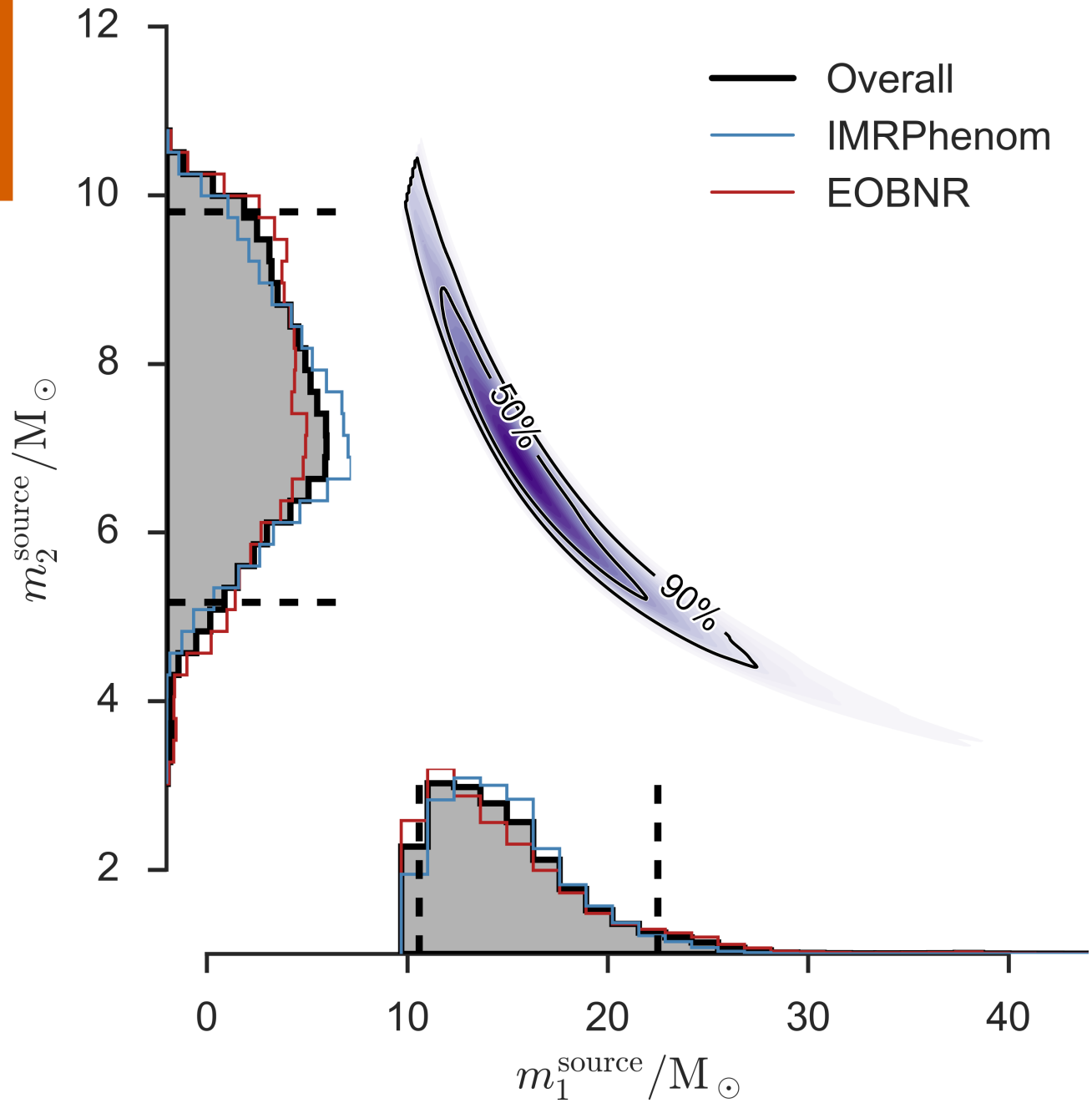

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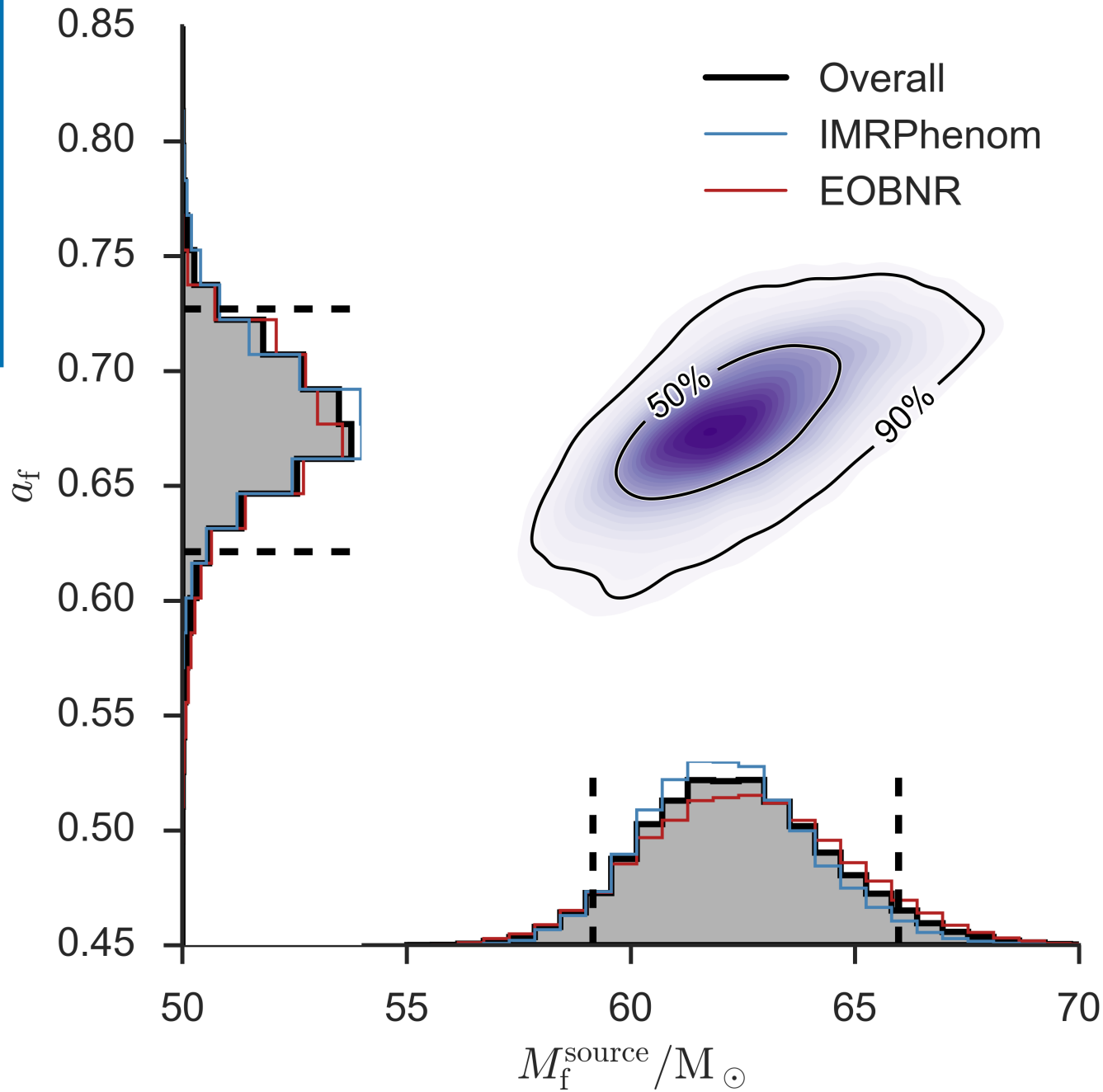
Final mass & spin



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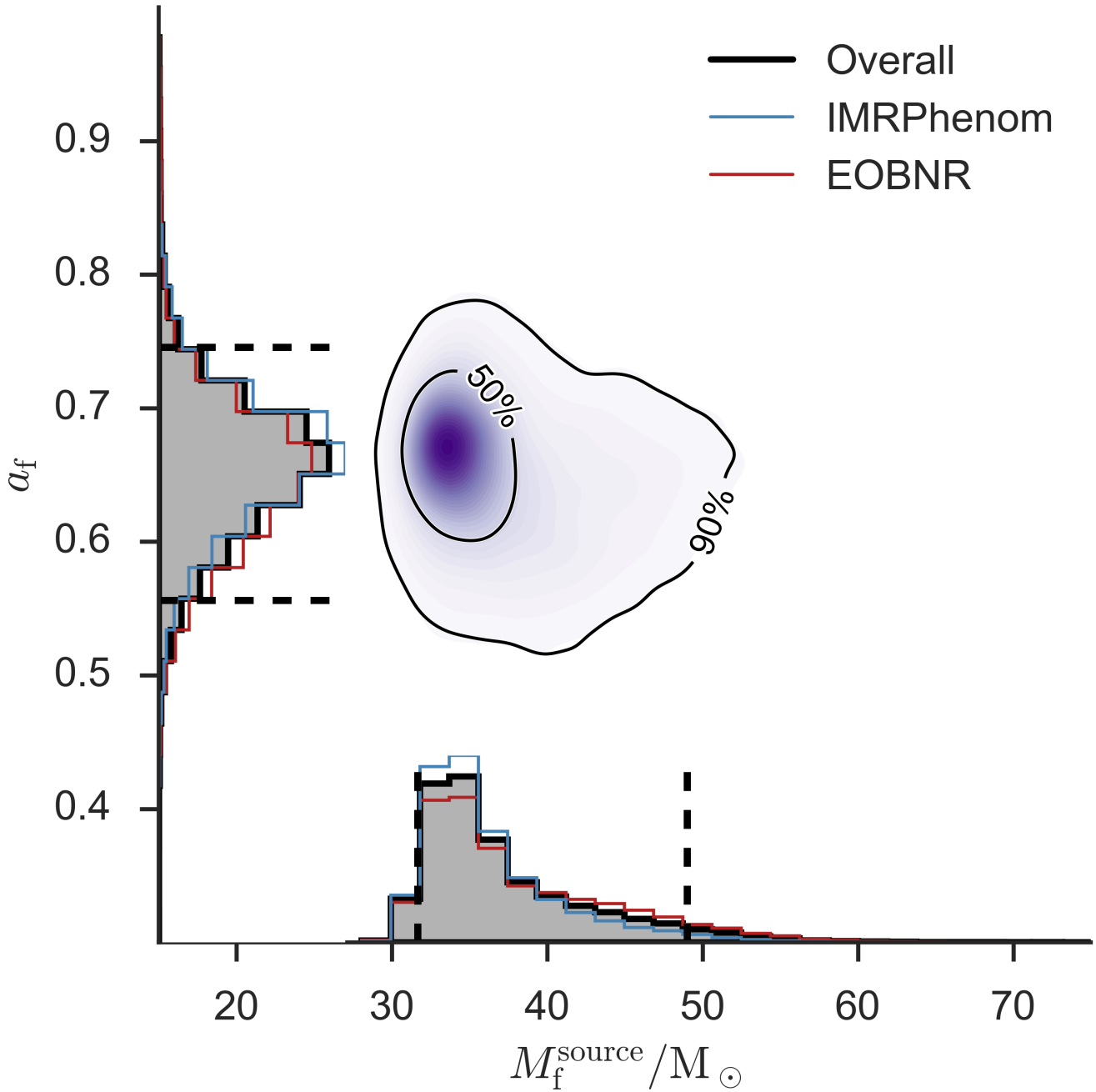

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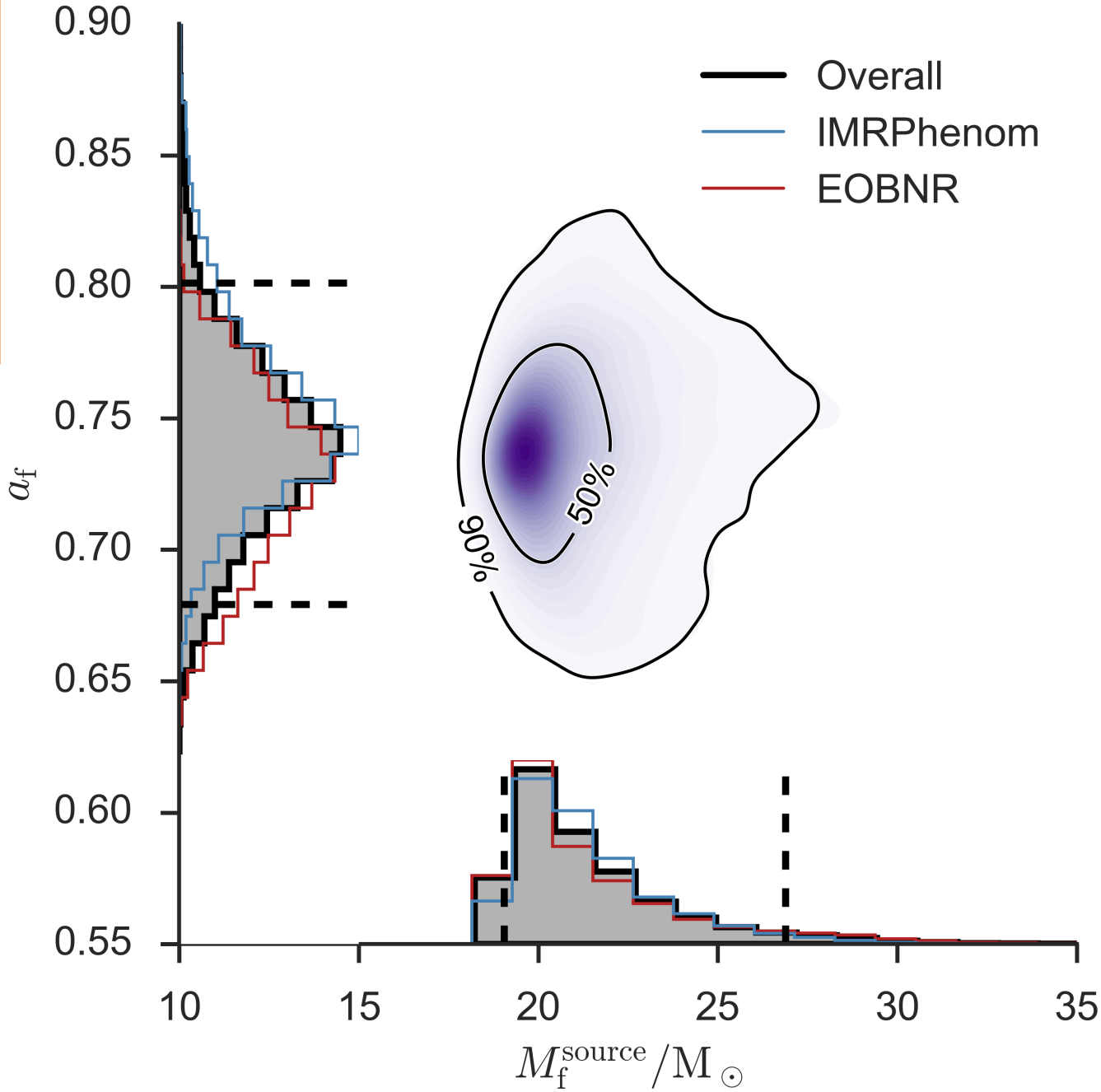

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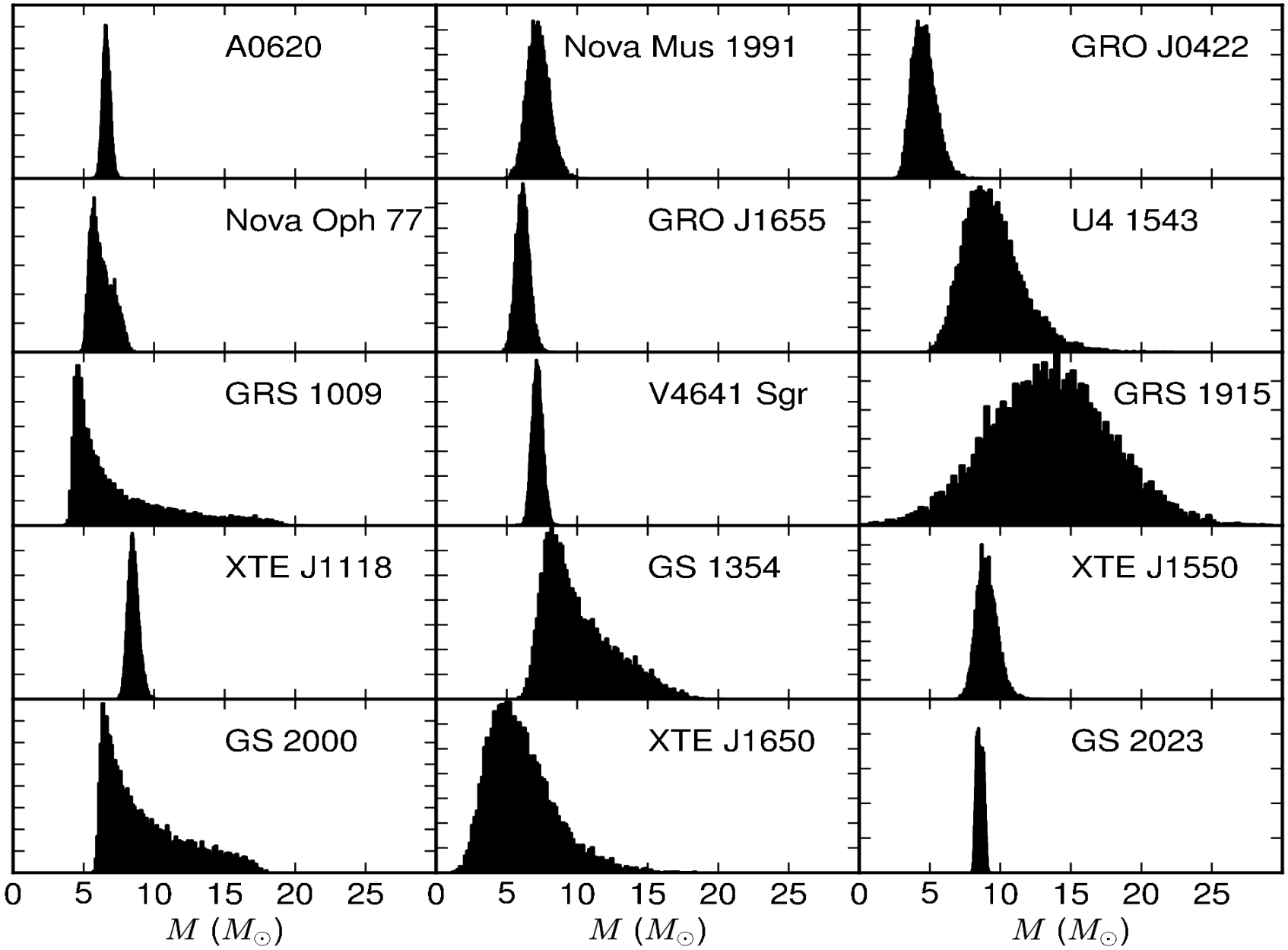

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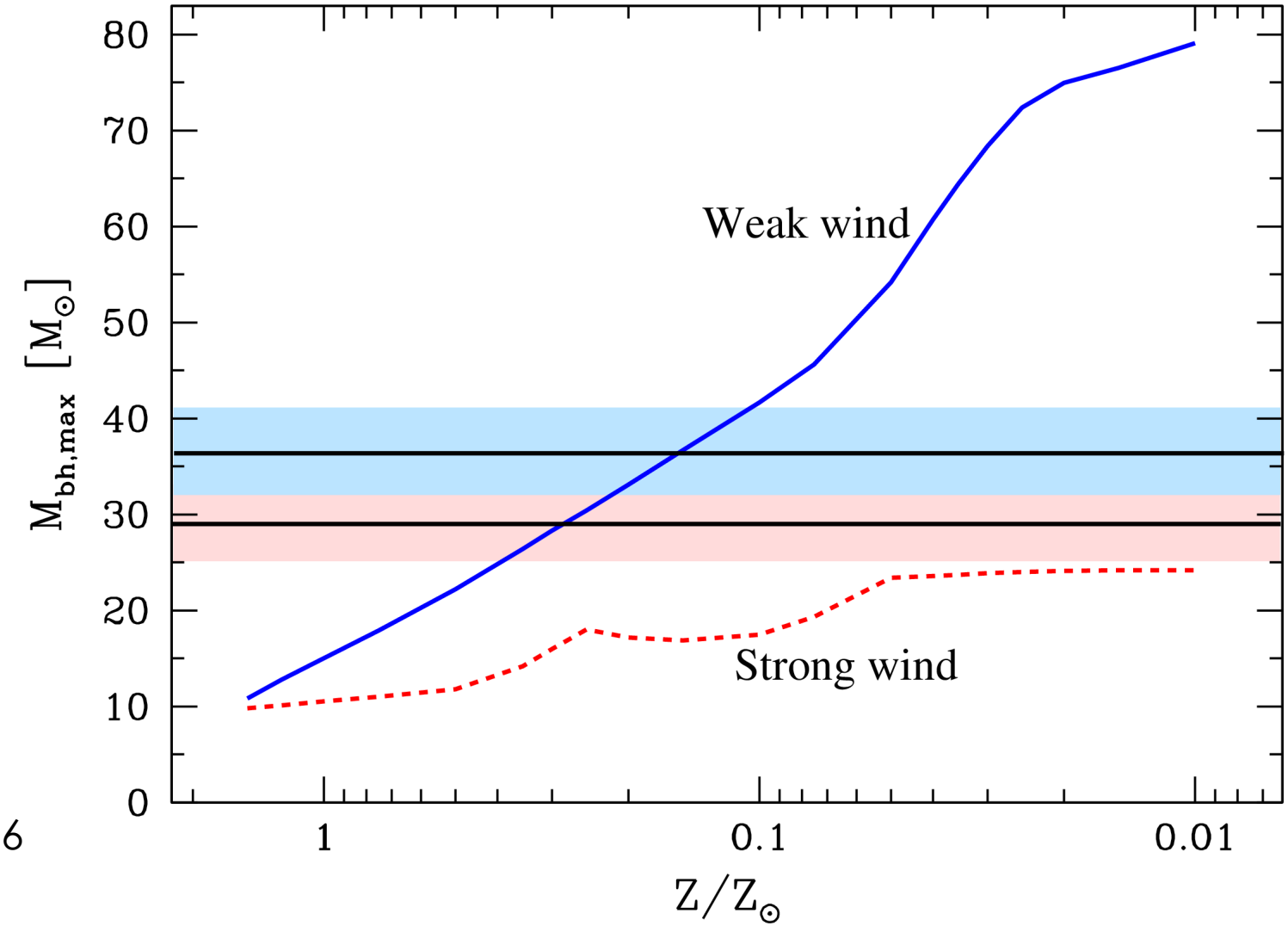

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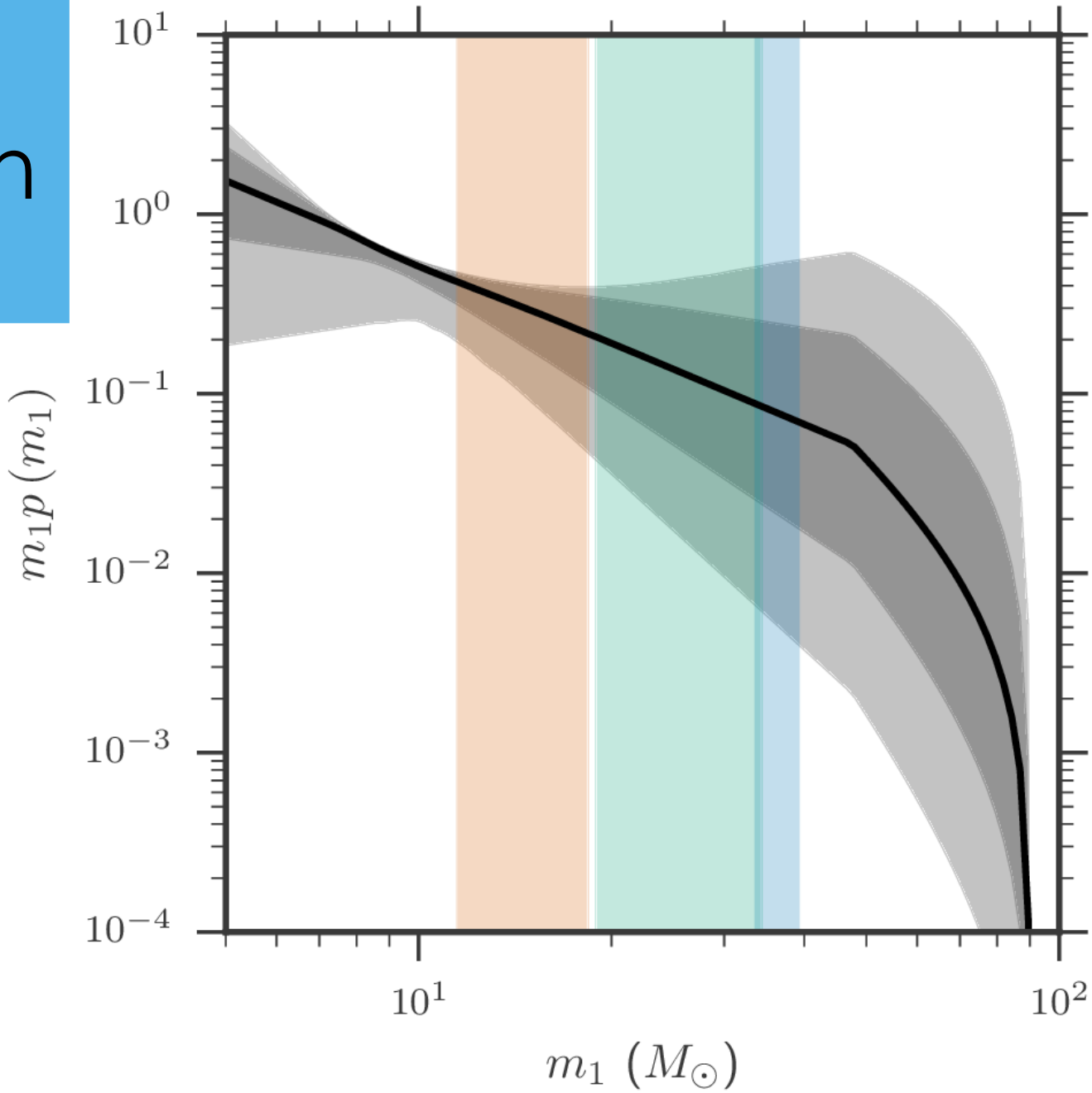
Mass distribution



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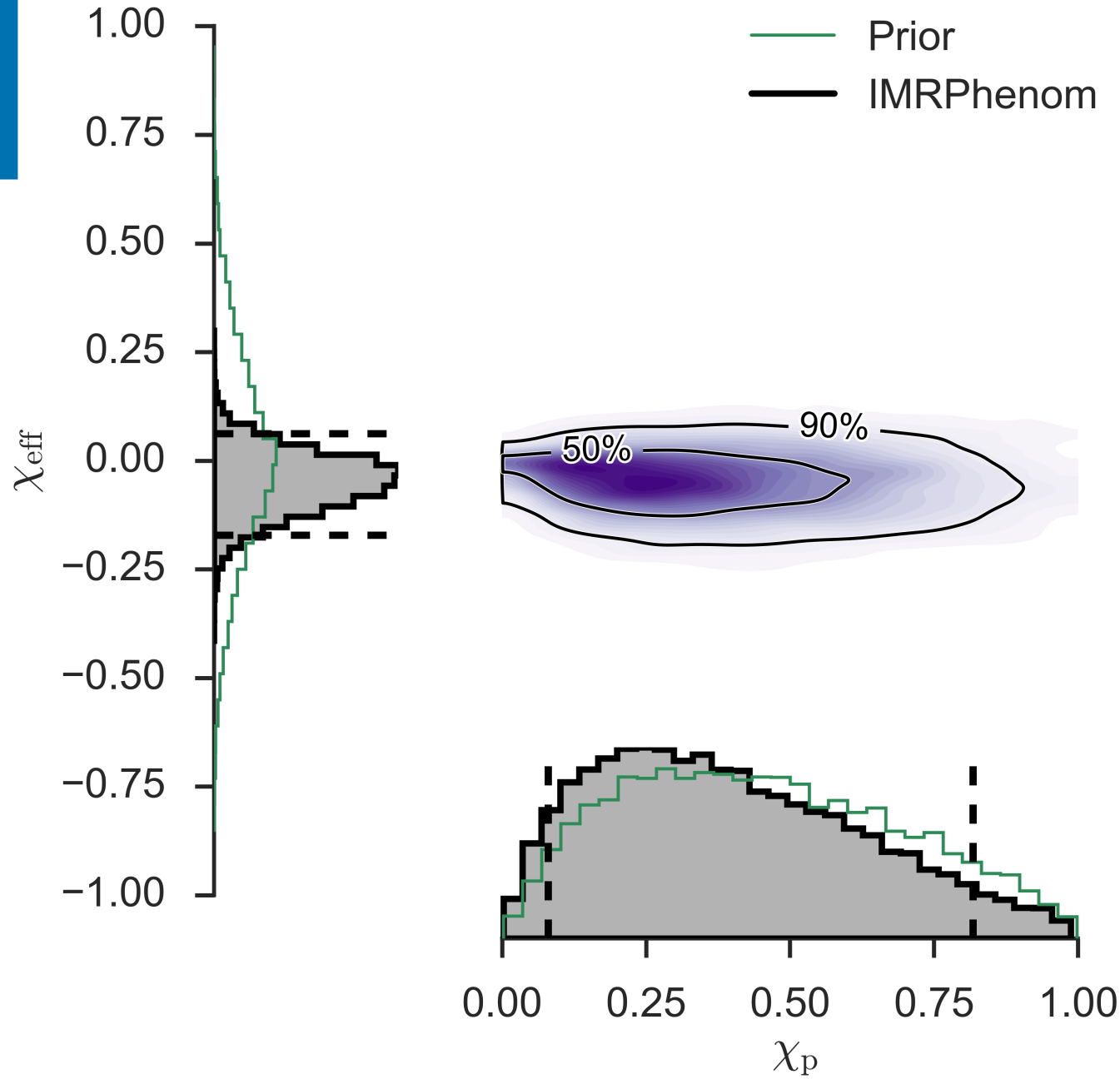

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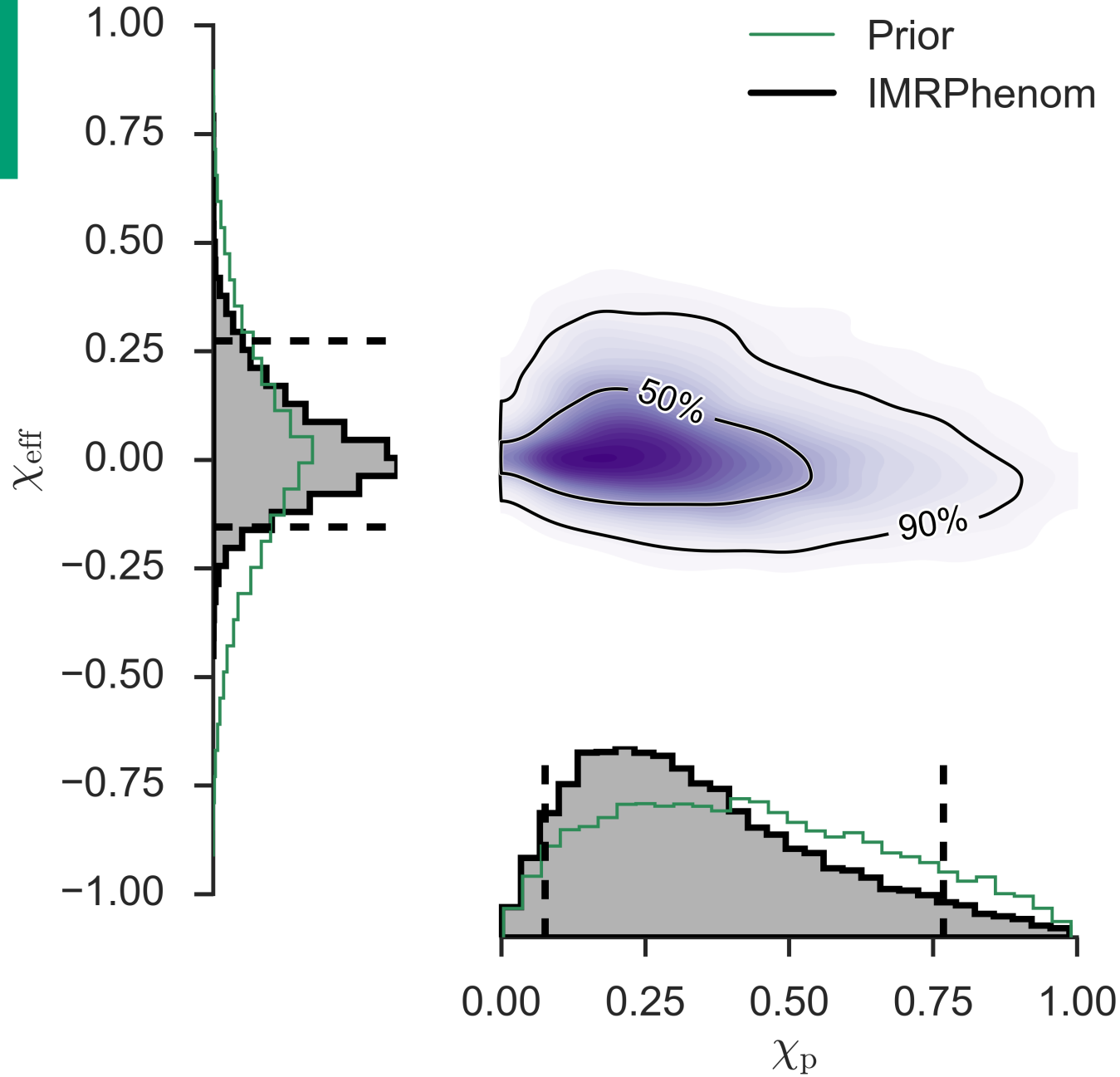

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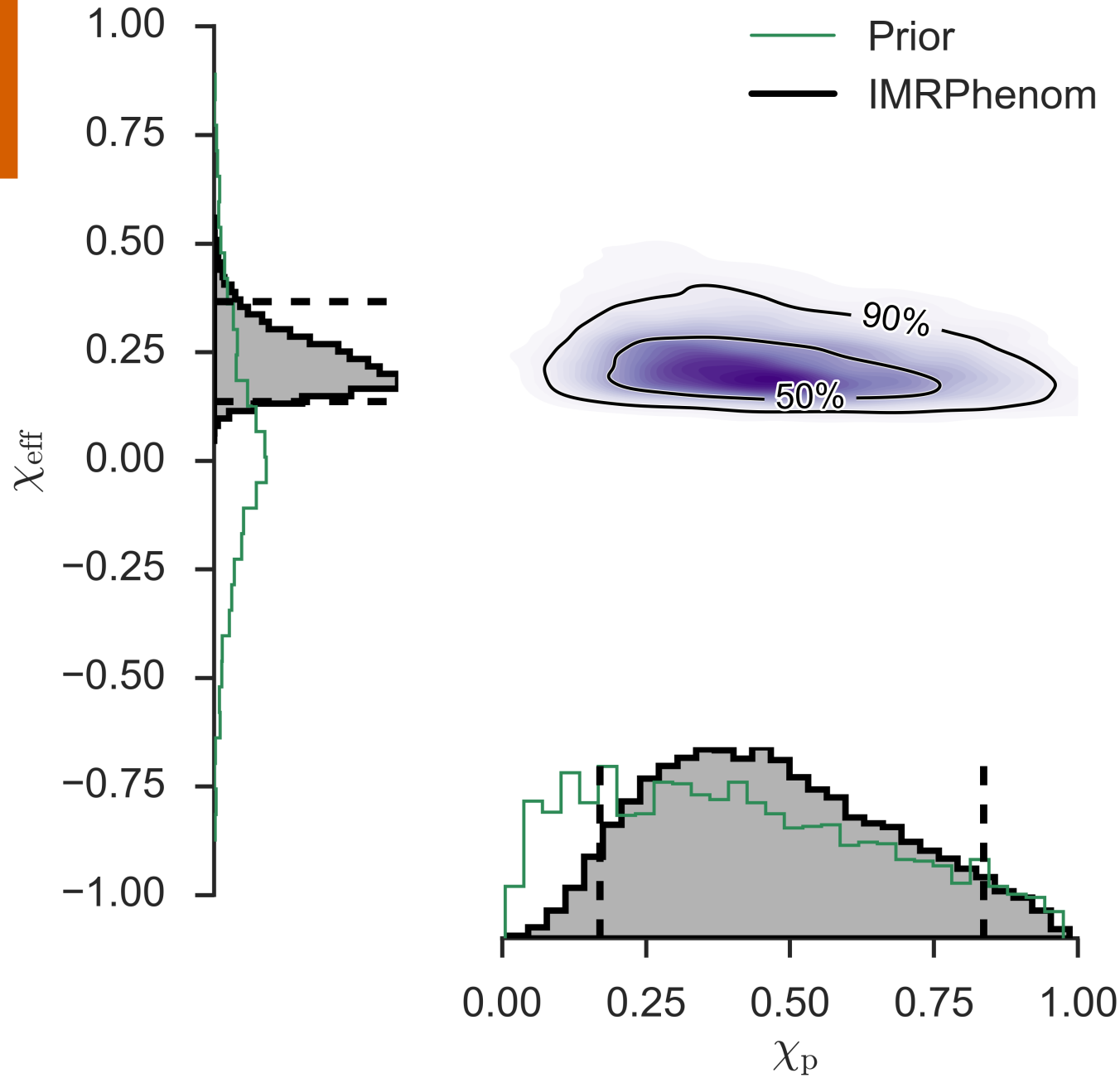

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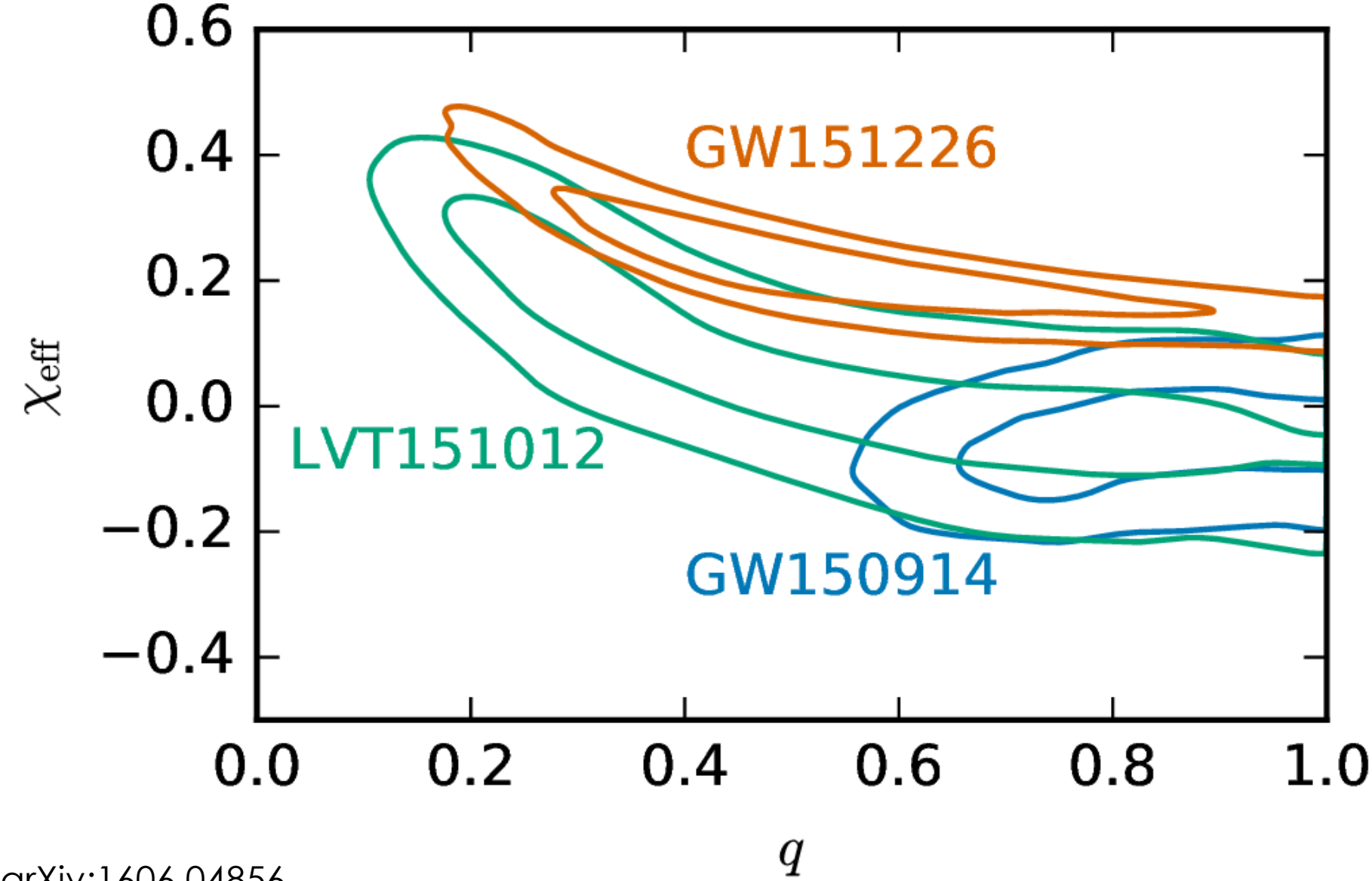
Effective inspiral spin

$$\chi_{\rm eff} = \frac{c}{GM}\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{S}_1}{m_1} + \frac{\boldsymbol{S}_2}{m_2}\right) \cdot \hat{\boldsymbol{L}}$$

Most important combination of spins for evolution of inspiral (arXiv:0909.2867, 1005.3306)



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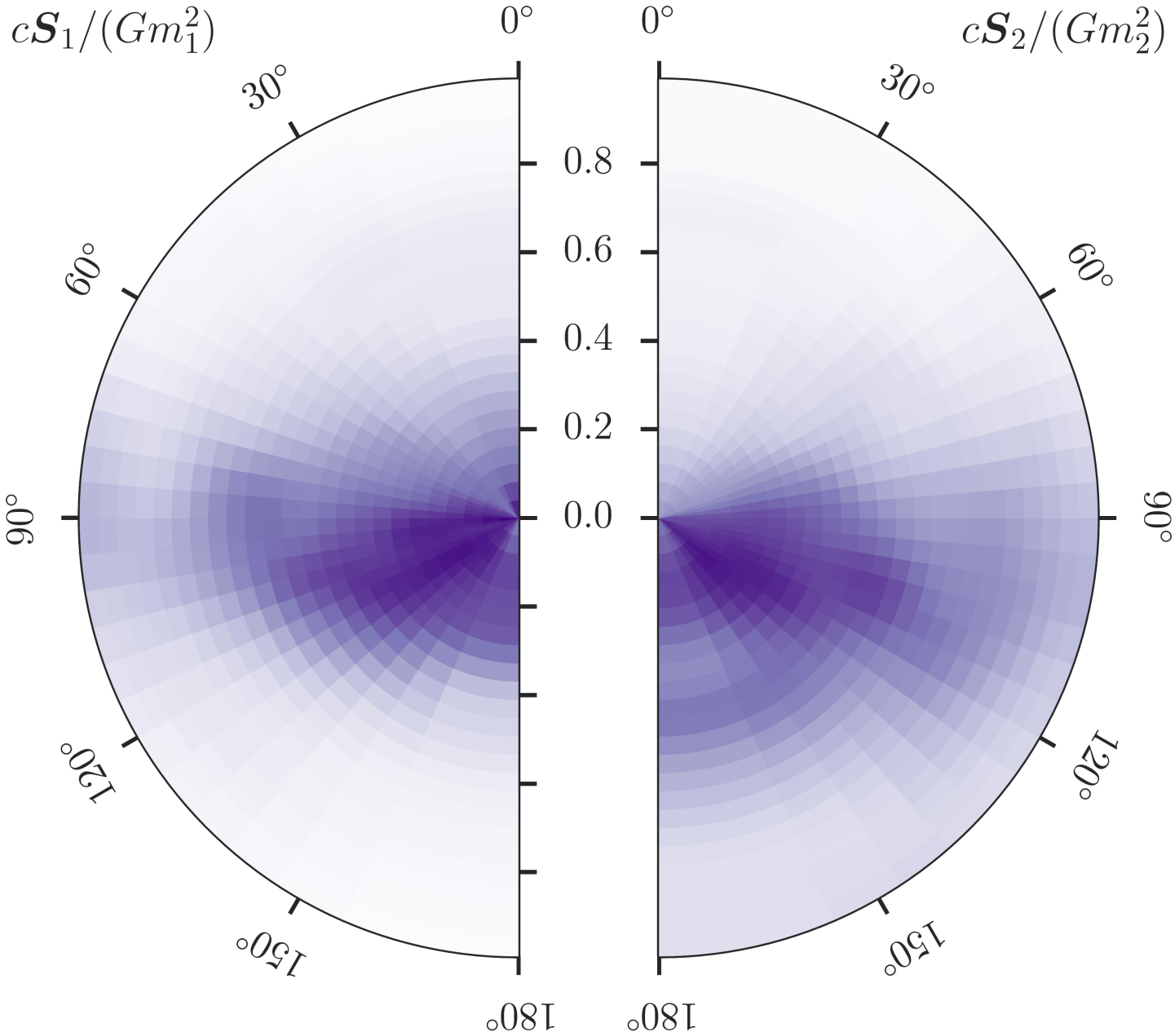

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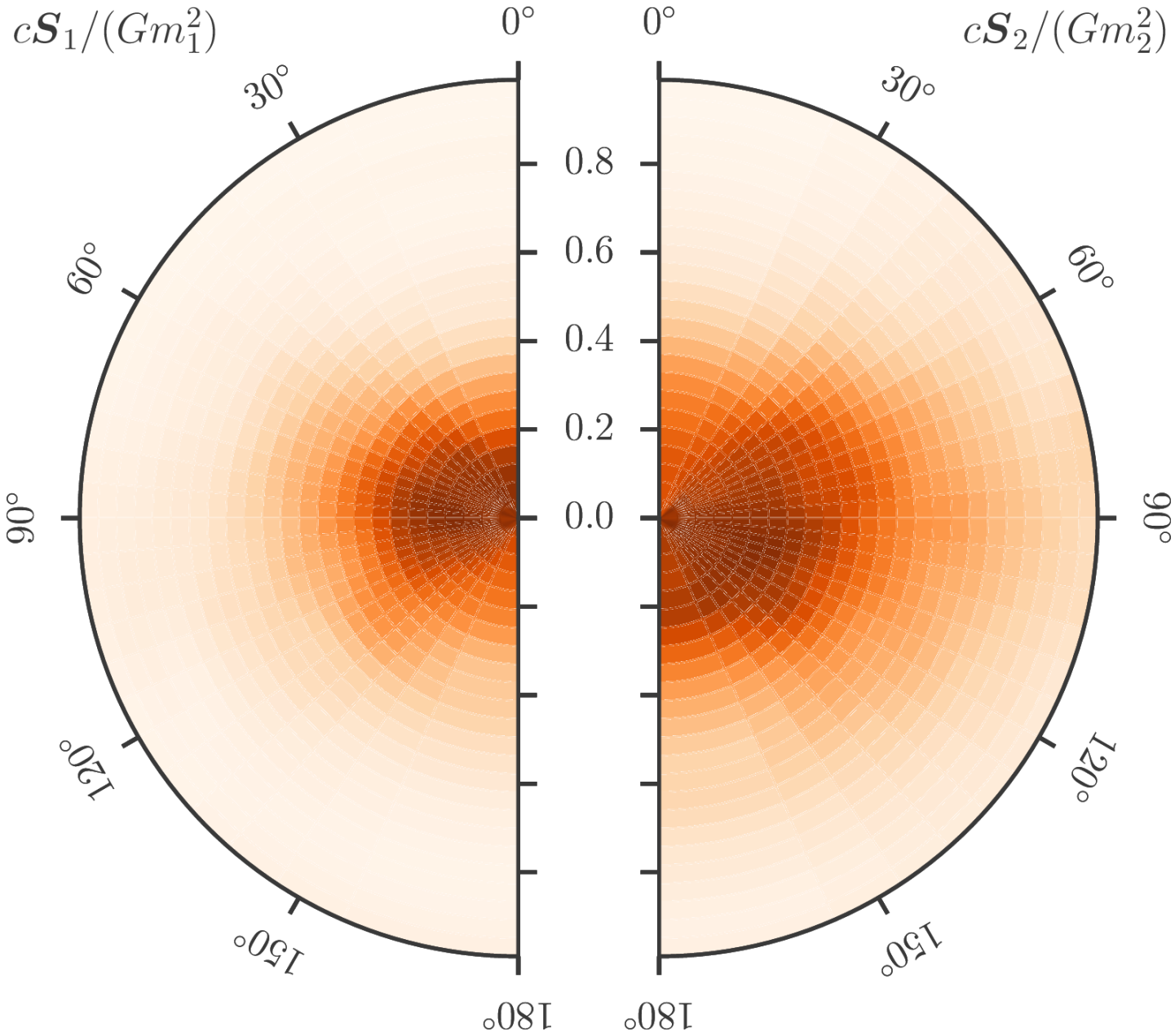

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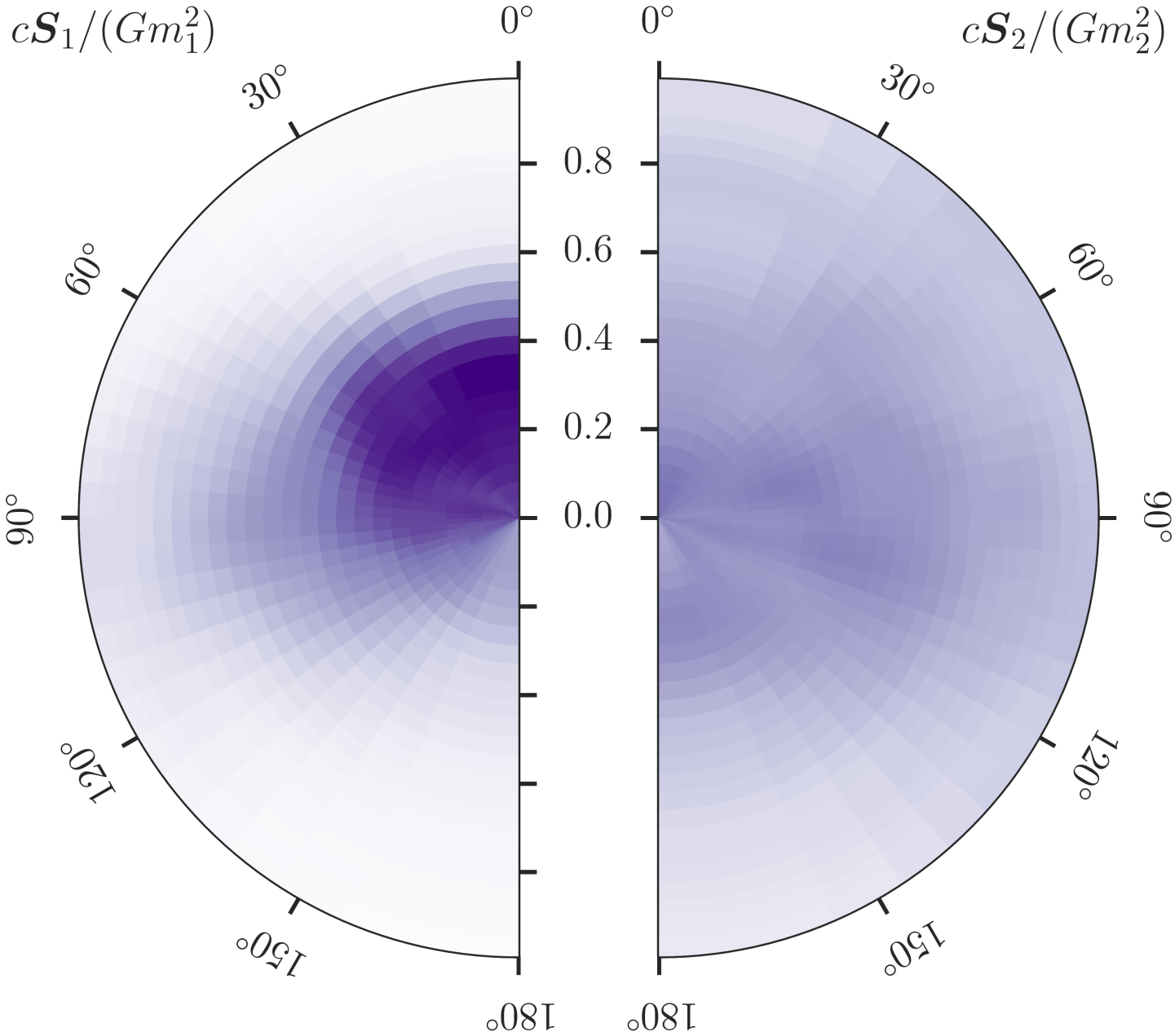

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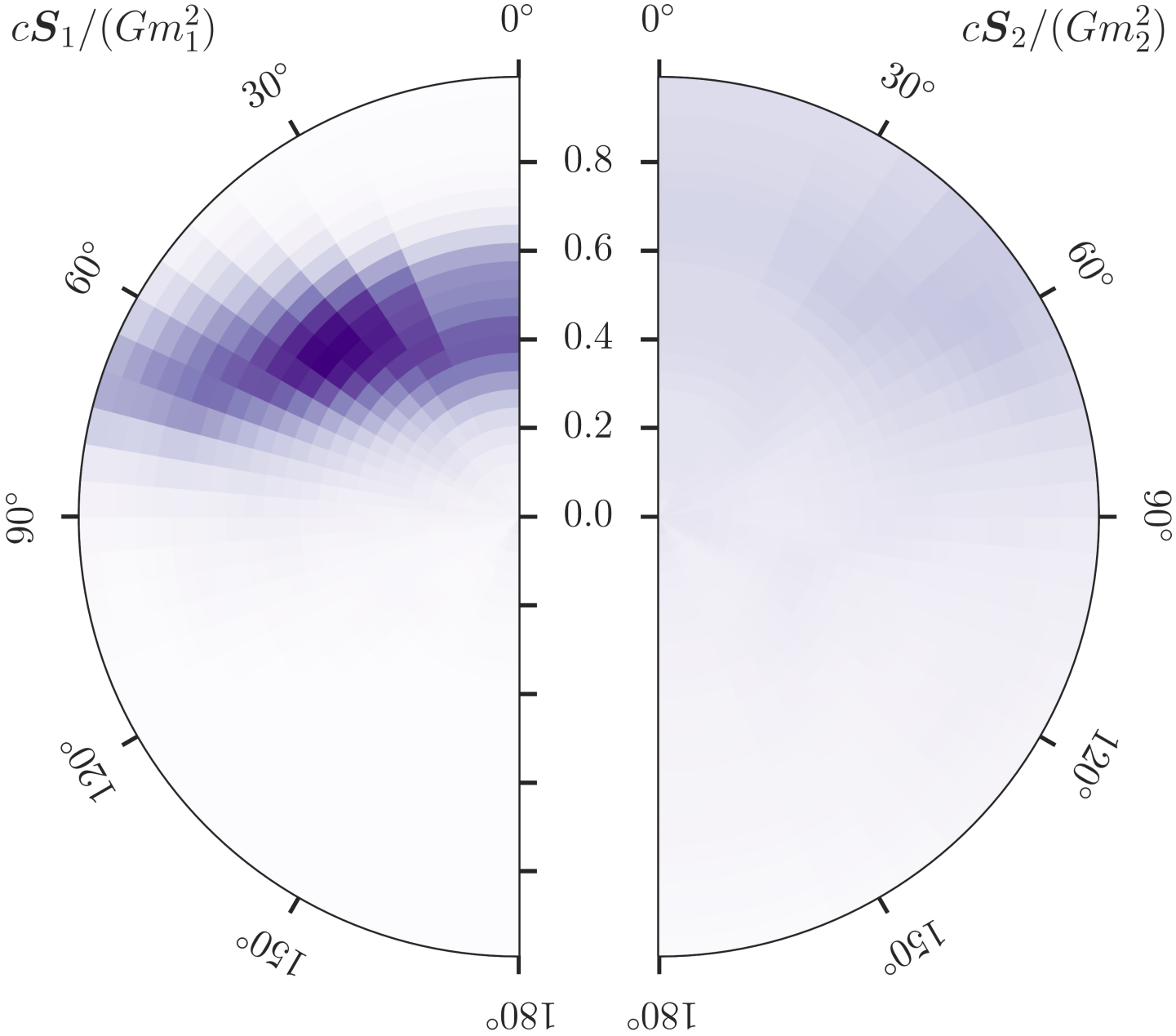

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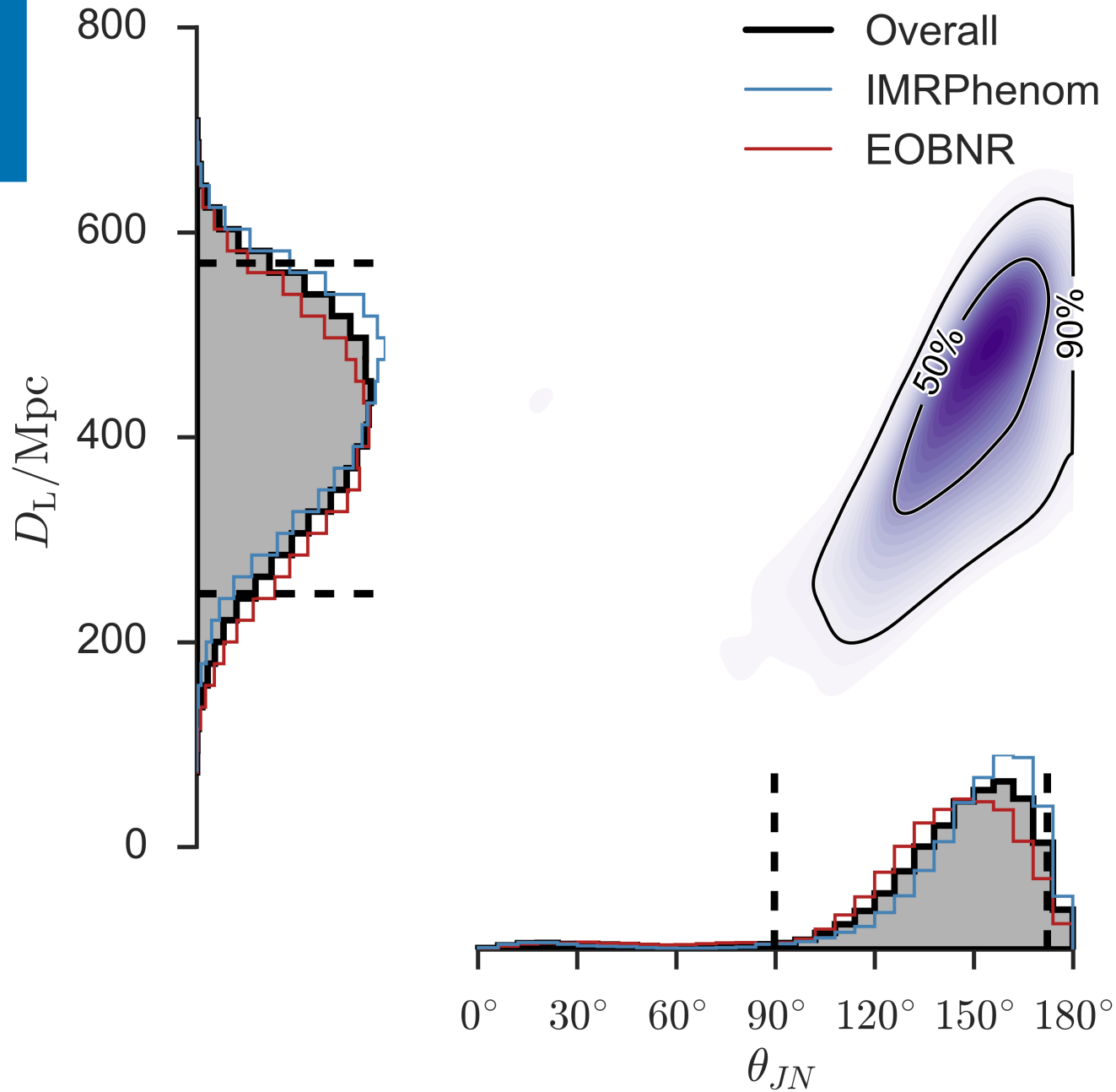

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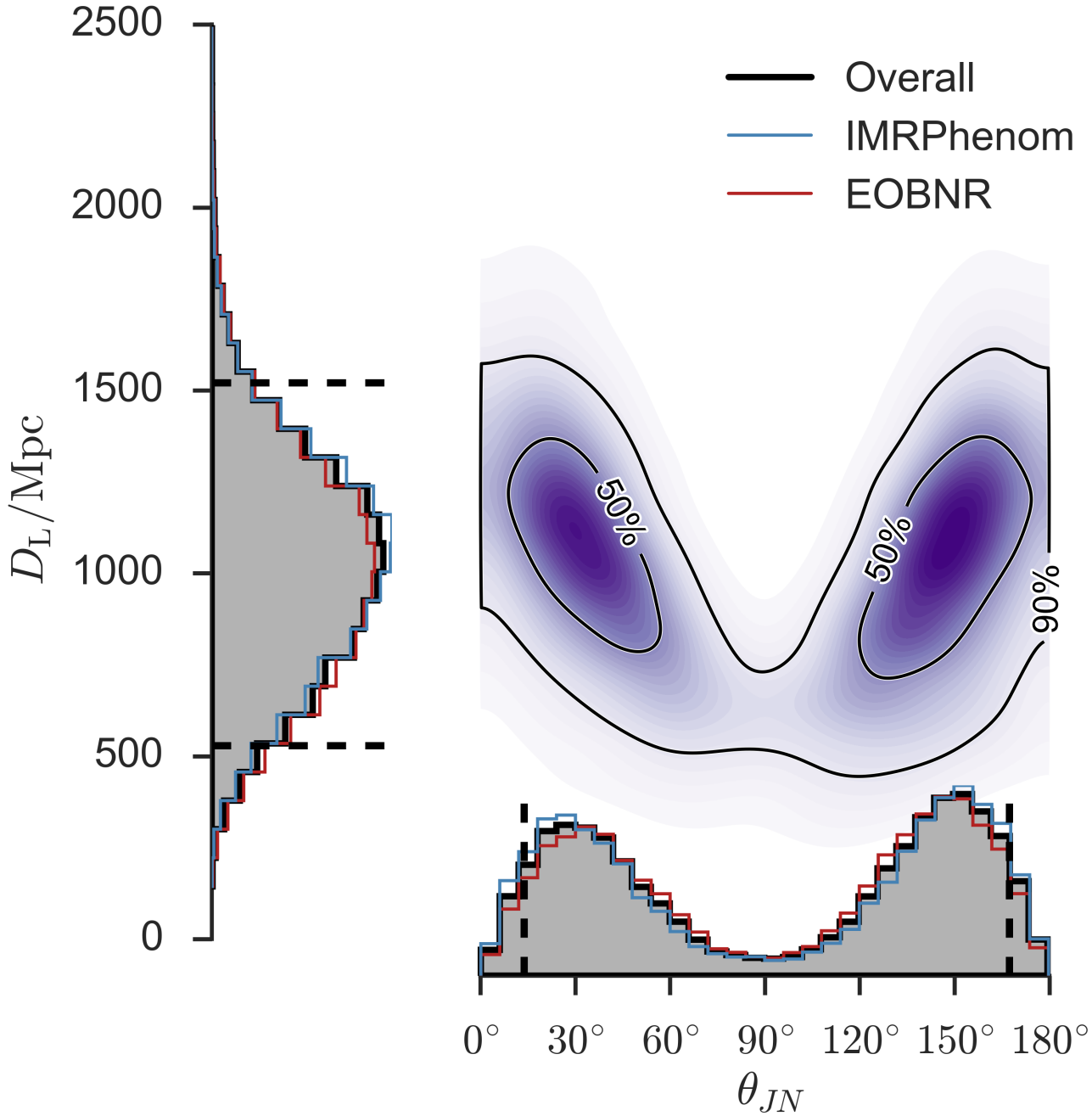

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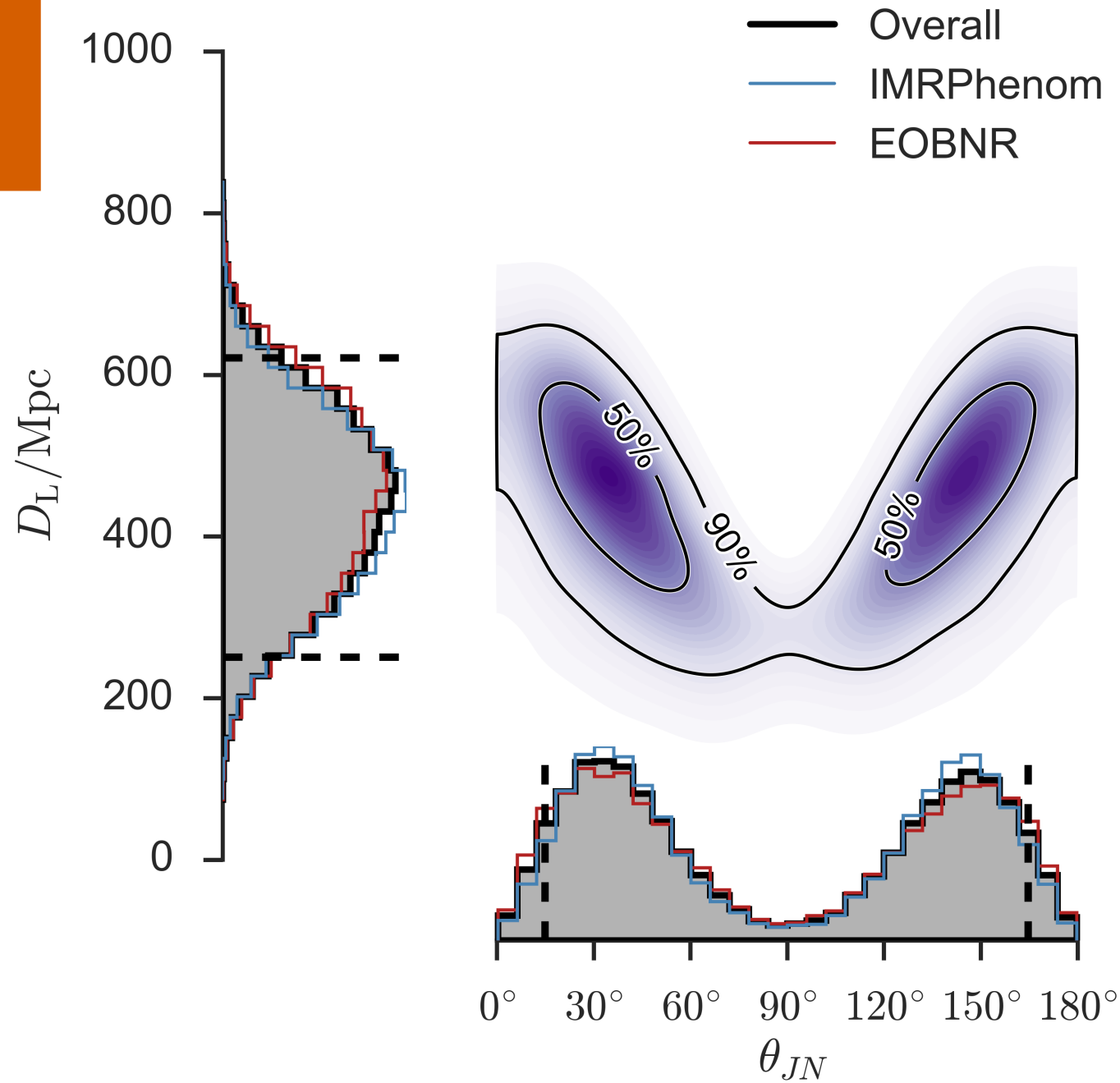

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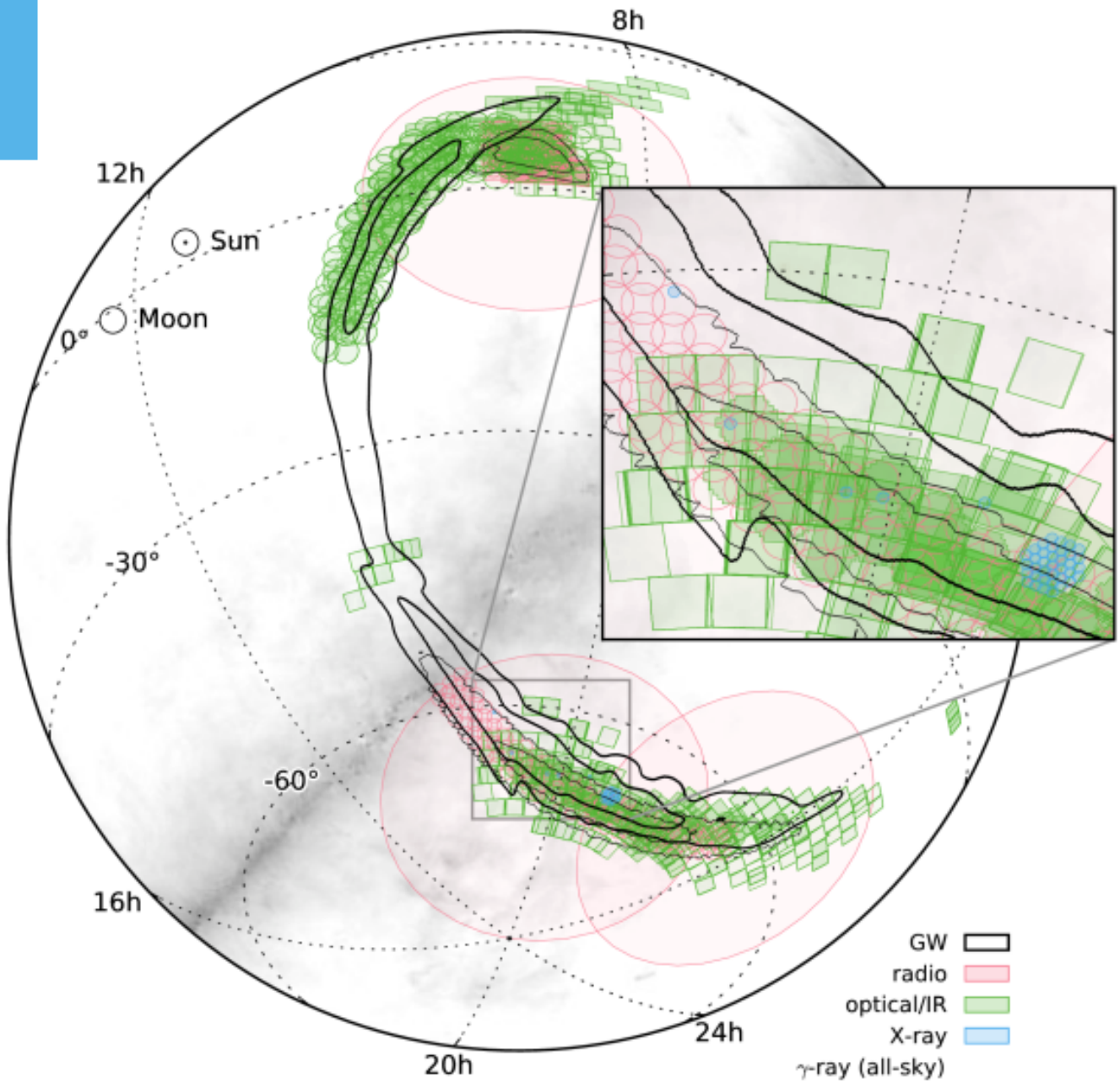

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Singer et al. 2014 arXiv:1404.5623

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Catalog of simulated events and sky maps for two-detector, HL, 2015 configuration. This is the same configuration as the 2015 tab, except that the simulated detector noise is data from initial LIGO's sixth science run, recoloured (filtered) to have the same PSD as the early Advanced LIGO configuration. See also ASCII tables of simulated signals, detections, and parameter-estimation accuracies in Machine Readable Table format.

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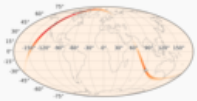
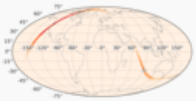
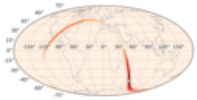
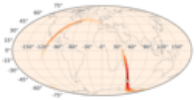
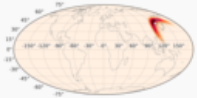
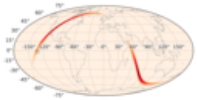
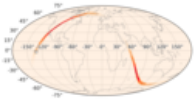
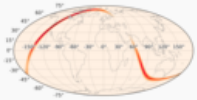
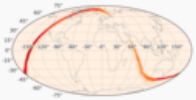
4532	899	HL	13.9	10.1	9.5	180	750	190	170	790	150		
4572	1243	HL	13.2	10.0	8.7	230	830	45	200	920	33		
4618	1768	HL	10.8	8.0	7.3	160	540	220	130	440	280		
4647	1964	HL	12.4	8.6	9.0	260	890	1200	190	780	780		
4711	2704	HL	10.7	8.0	7.1	370	1200	300	450	1600	520		

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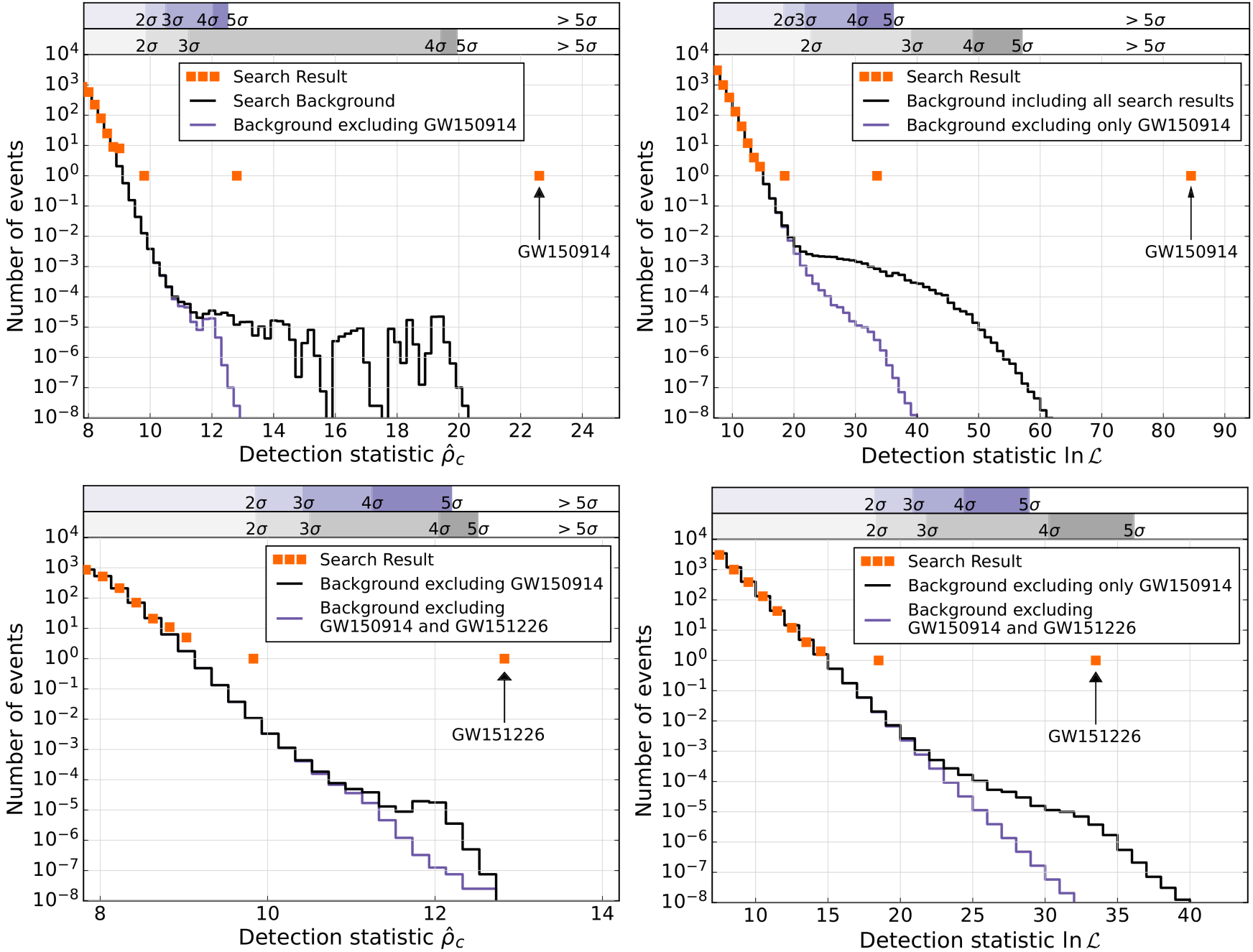


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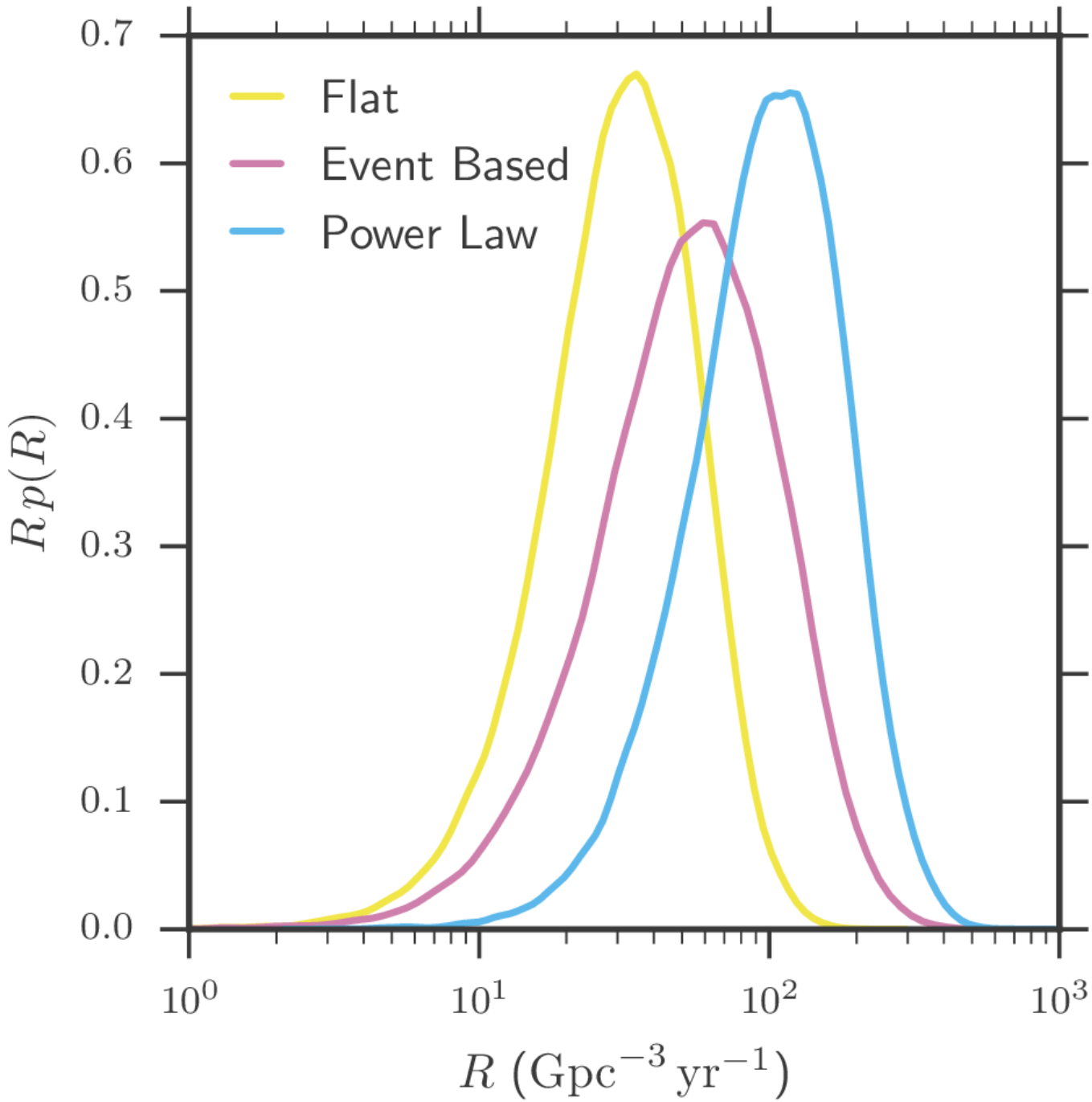

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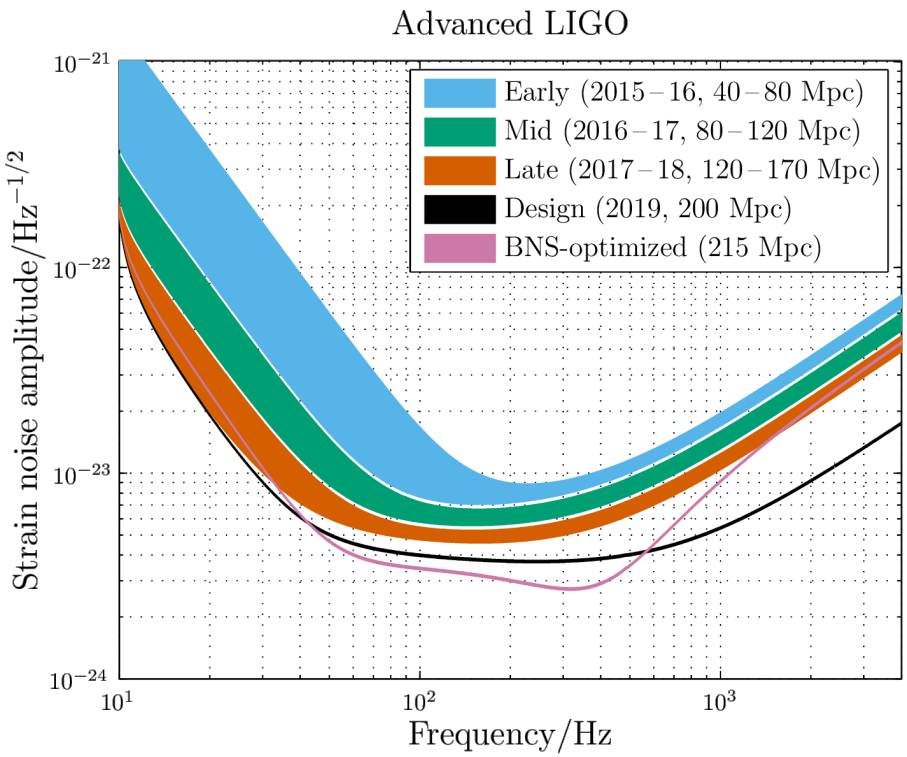

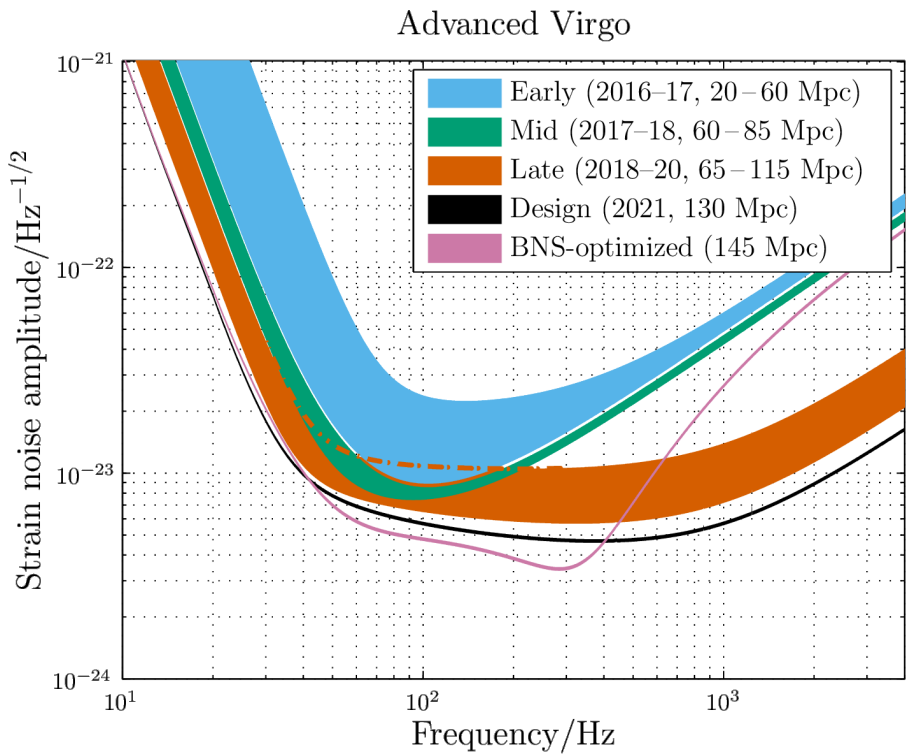

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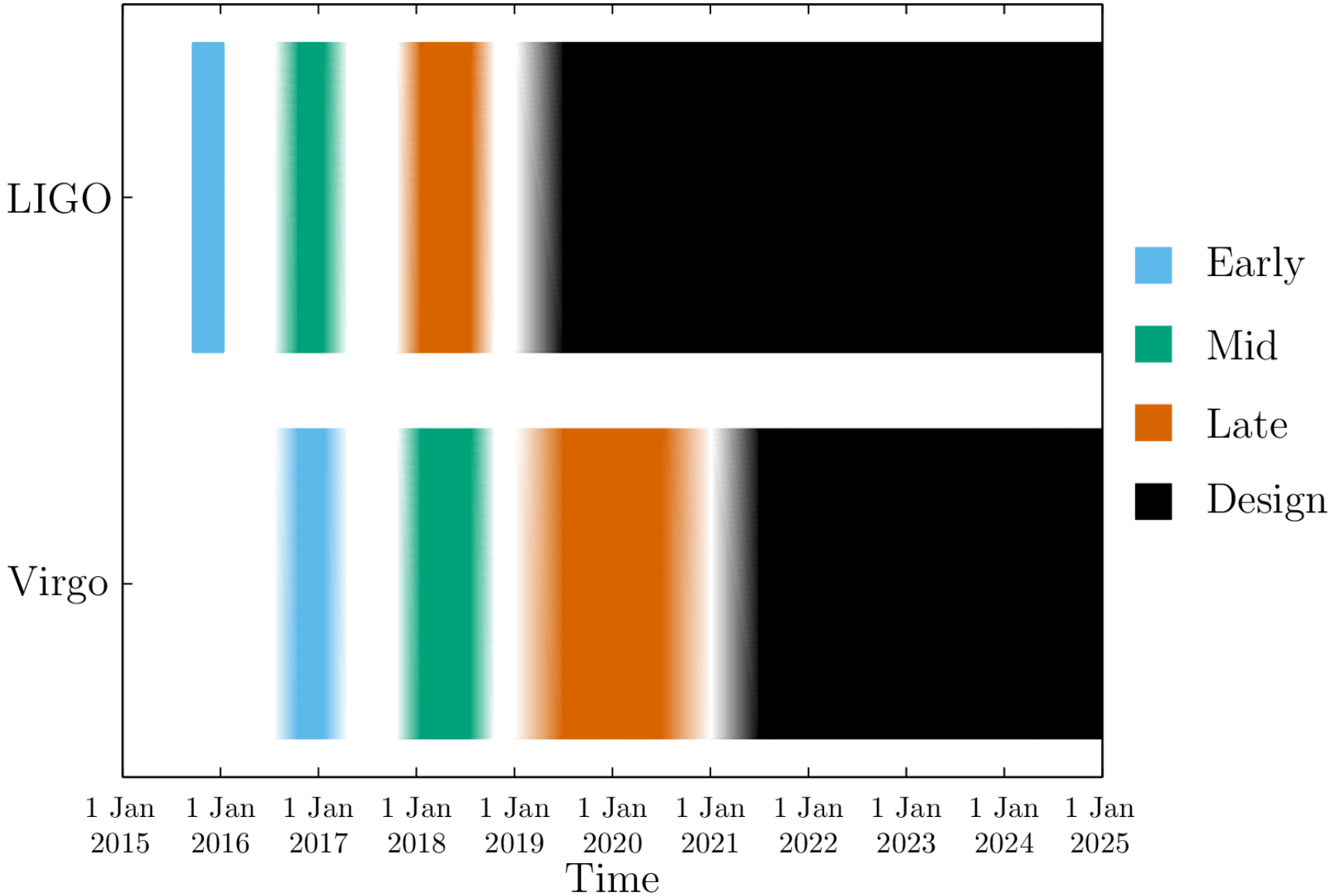

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