



The illusion of field vs cluster origin

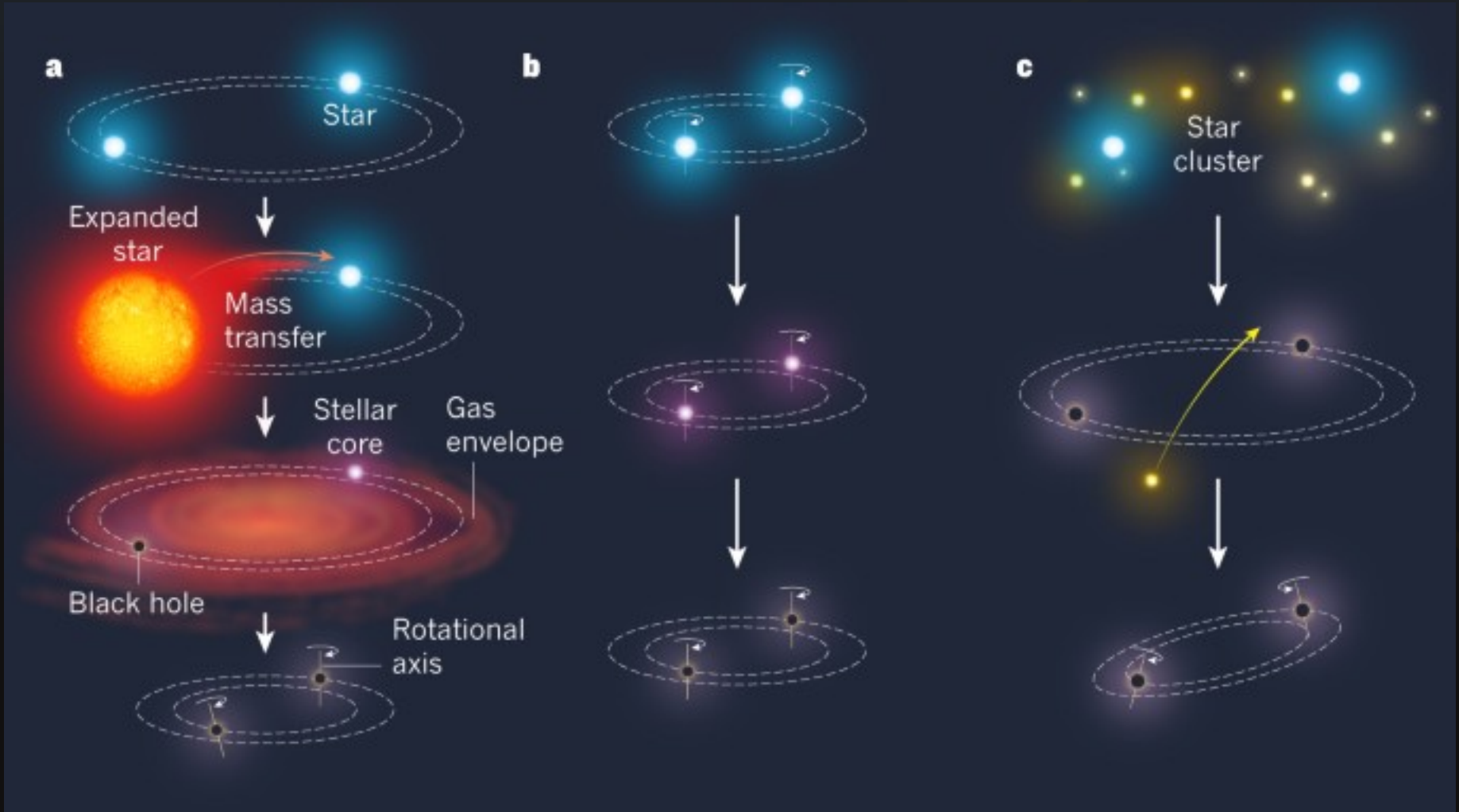
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Field vs Cluster



The Emergence of Structure in the Binary Black Hole Mass Distribution

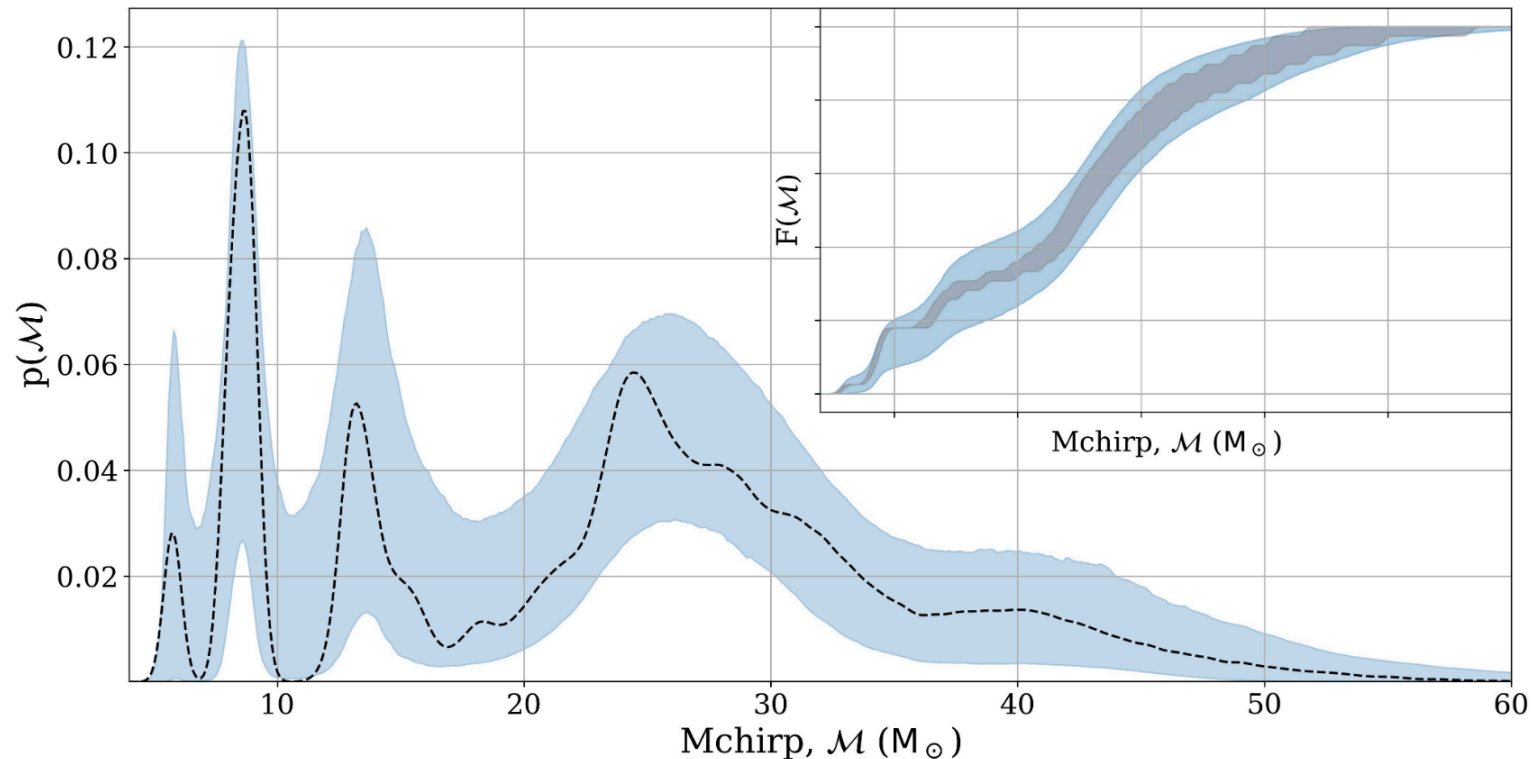


Figure 3. The blue band is the 90% confidence of the density of the posterior predictive obtained after applying selection effects to the reconstructed chirp mass distribution. The dashed curve is the mean observed chirp mass distribution. Inset: The blue band is the 90% confidence of the cumulative probability of the posterior predictive obtained after applying selection effects to the reconstructed chirp mass distribution. The grey band is the 90% confidence obtained by bootstrapping various realisations of the observed data. The observed data is enclosed within the 90% confidence of the posterior's prediction.

Spin Measurements

$$\chi_{\text{eff}} = \frac{c}{GM} \left(\frac{\vec{S}_1}{m_1} + \frac{\vec{S}_2}{m_2} \right) \cdot \frac{\vec{L}}{|\vec{L}|} \equiv \frac{1}{M} (m_1 \chi_1 + m_2 \chi_2),$$

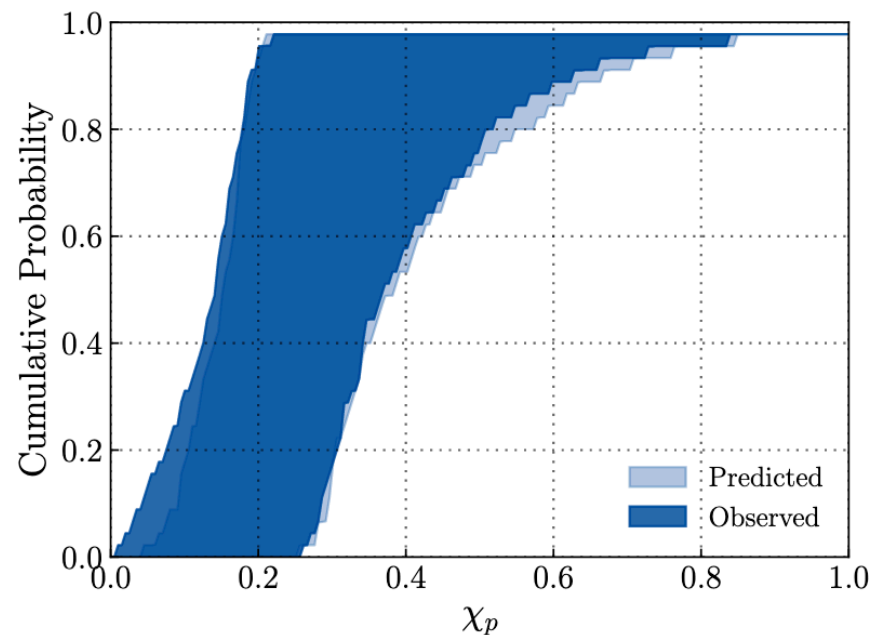
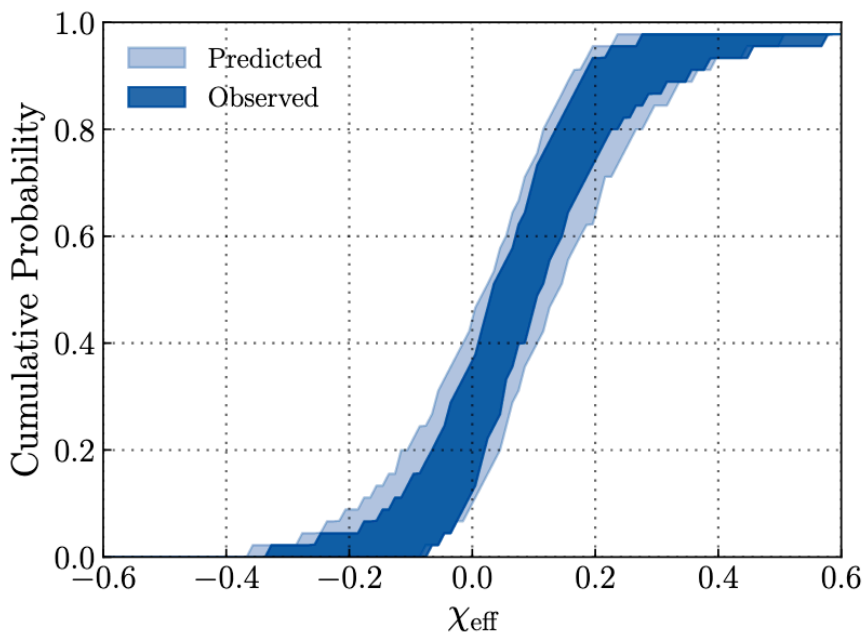
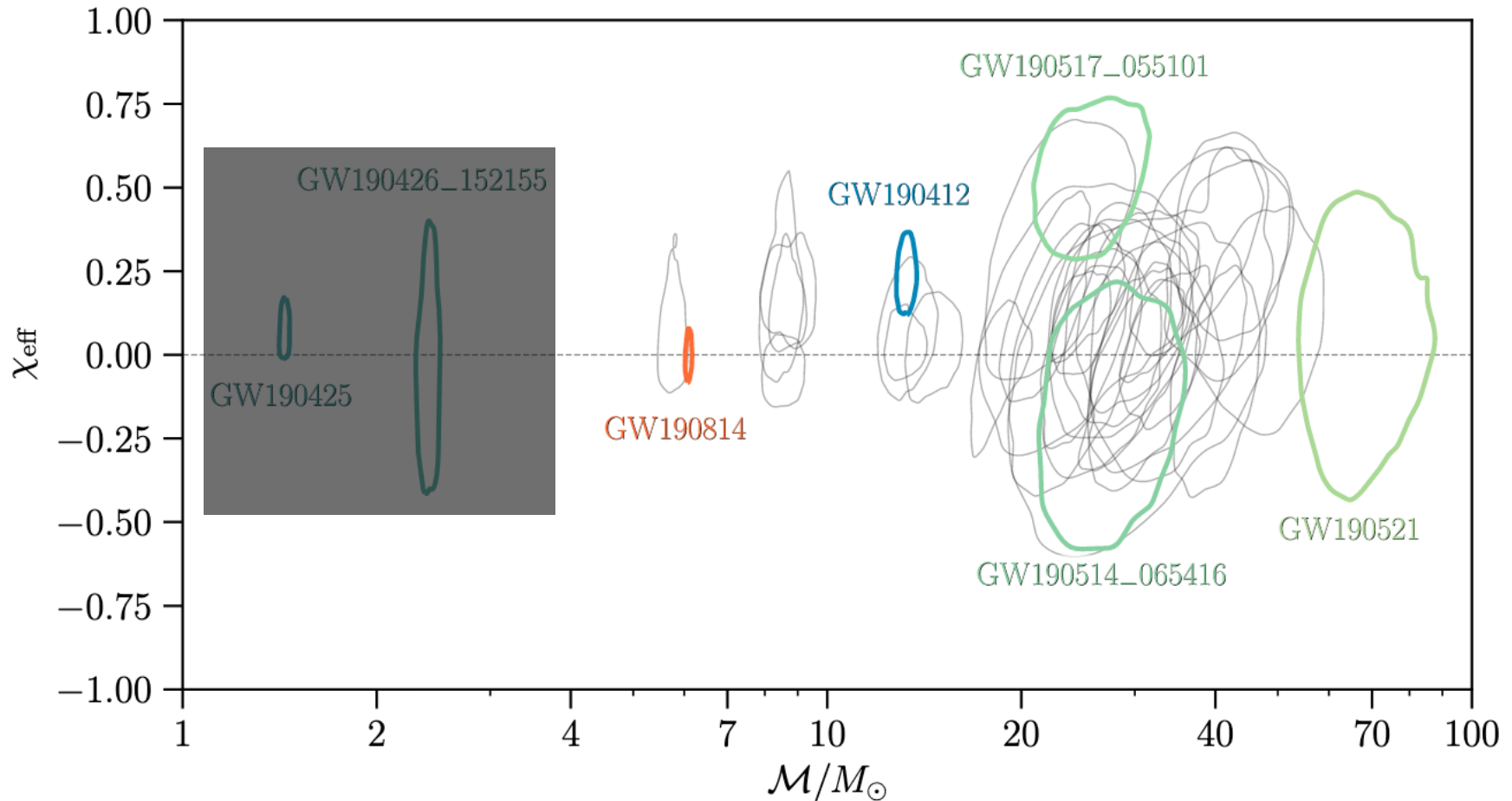
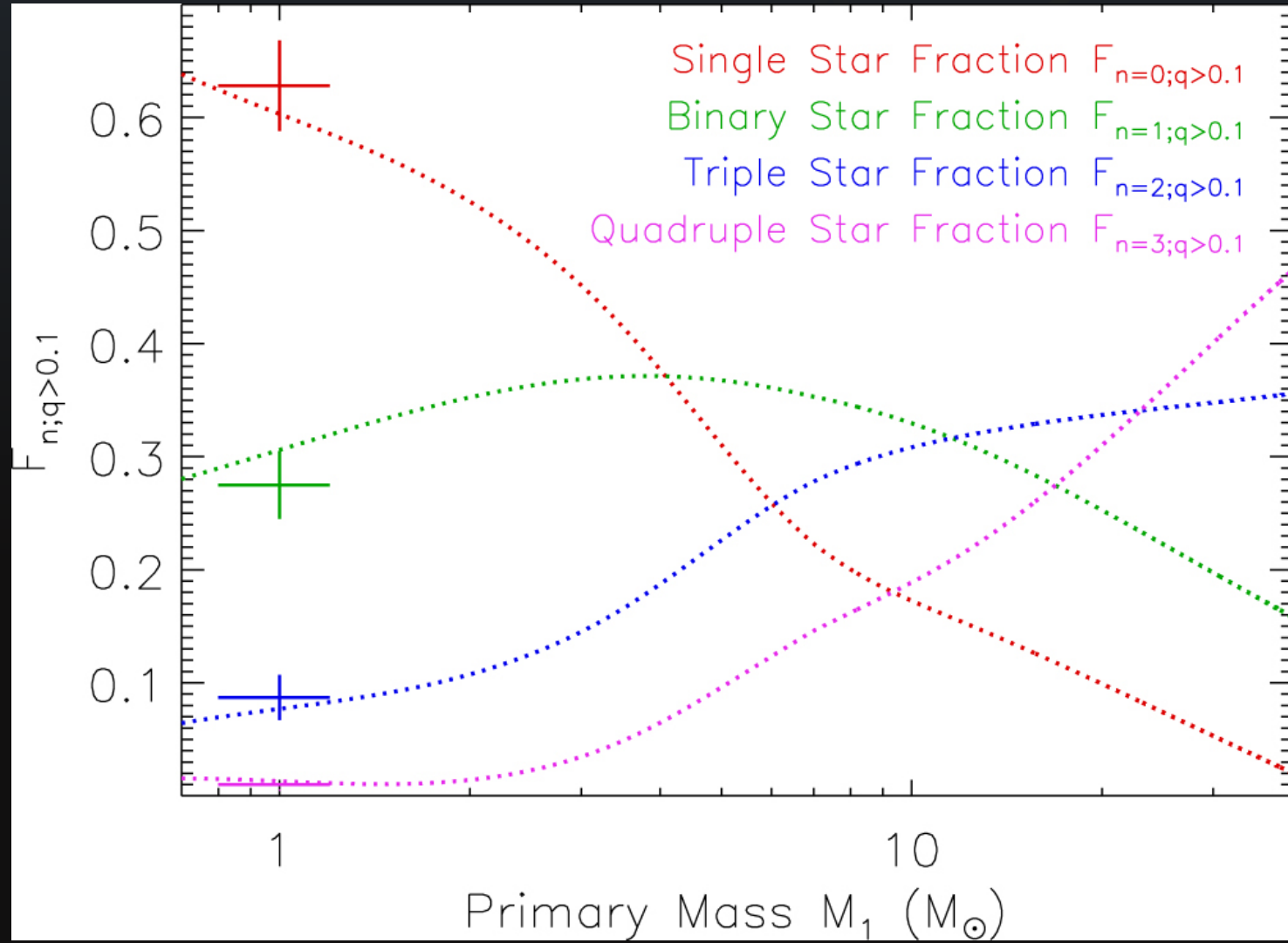


Figure 24. Population predictive checks for the effective aligned spin χ_{eff} (*left*) and effective precessing spin χ_p (*right*) of BBH mergers using the GAUSSIAN spin model. The light shaded regions show the central 90% credible bounds on the posterior predictive distributions. According to the model, we expect the observed distributions on χ_{eff} and χ_p to lie within the light shaded region 90% of the time. The dark shaded regions show the 90% credible bounds on the observed distributions in GWTC-2, found using the population-informed posteriors of the confident BBH events in GWTC-2. The overlap between the dark and light regions shows that the model passes the posterior predictive check. The results for the DEFAULT model are similar, indicating that both models are a good fit to the data.

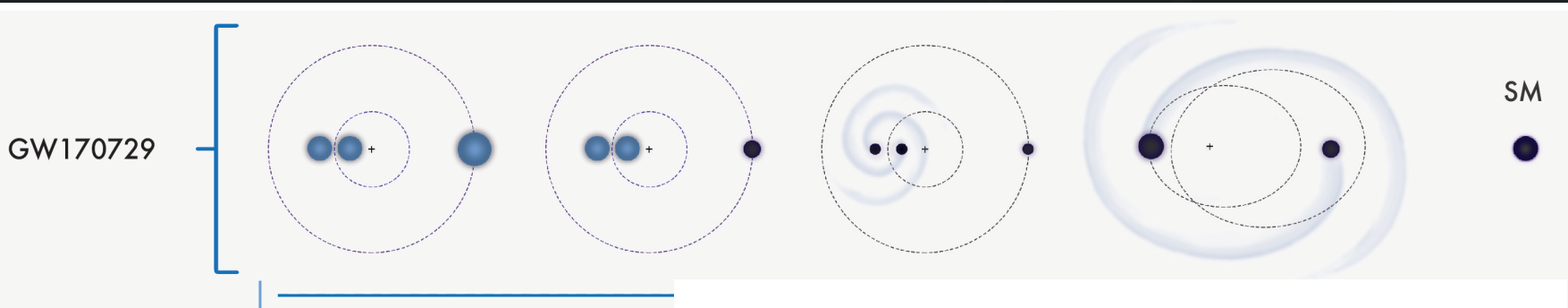
Mass-Spin Measurements



Massive Stellar Multiplicity



Isolated Triples Leading to BBHs



Initial conditions:

$$M_1 = M_2 = 26 \text{ Msol}, a_{\text{in}} \approx 12 \text{ Rsol},$$

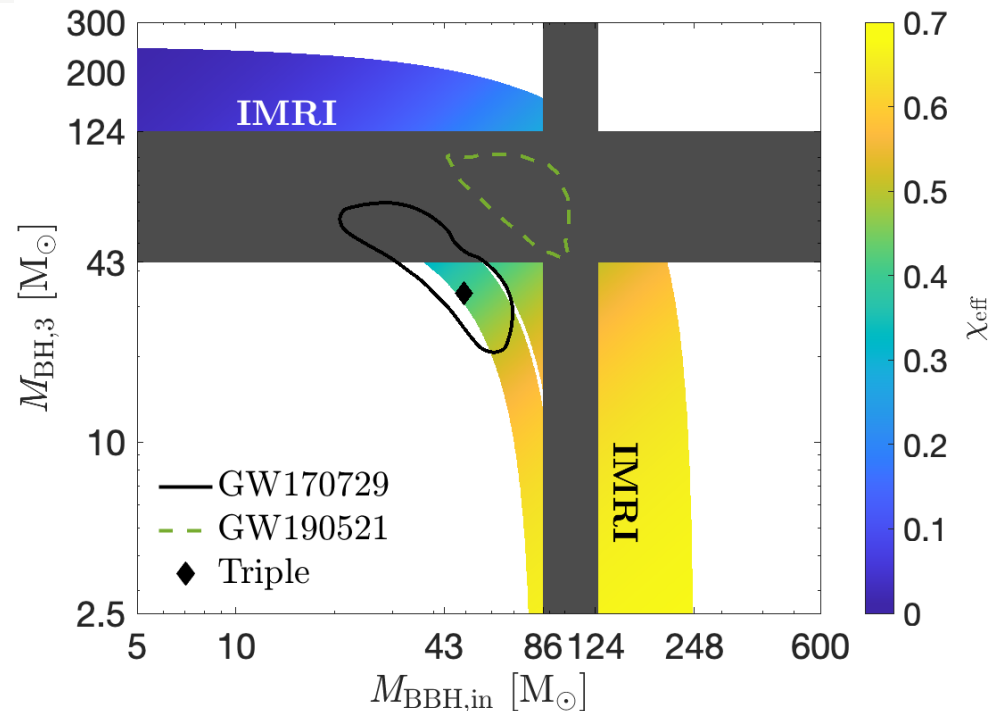
$$M_3 \approx 33 \text{ Msol}, a_{\text{out}} \approx 45 \text{ Rsol},$$

$$e_{\text{in}} = e_{\text{out}} = 0$$

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$$M_{\text{chirp}} \approx 35 \text{ Msol}, \chi_{\text{eff}} \approx 0.4, z \approx 0.5.$$

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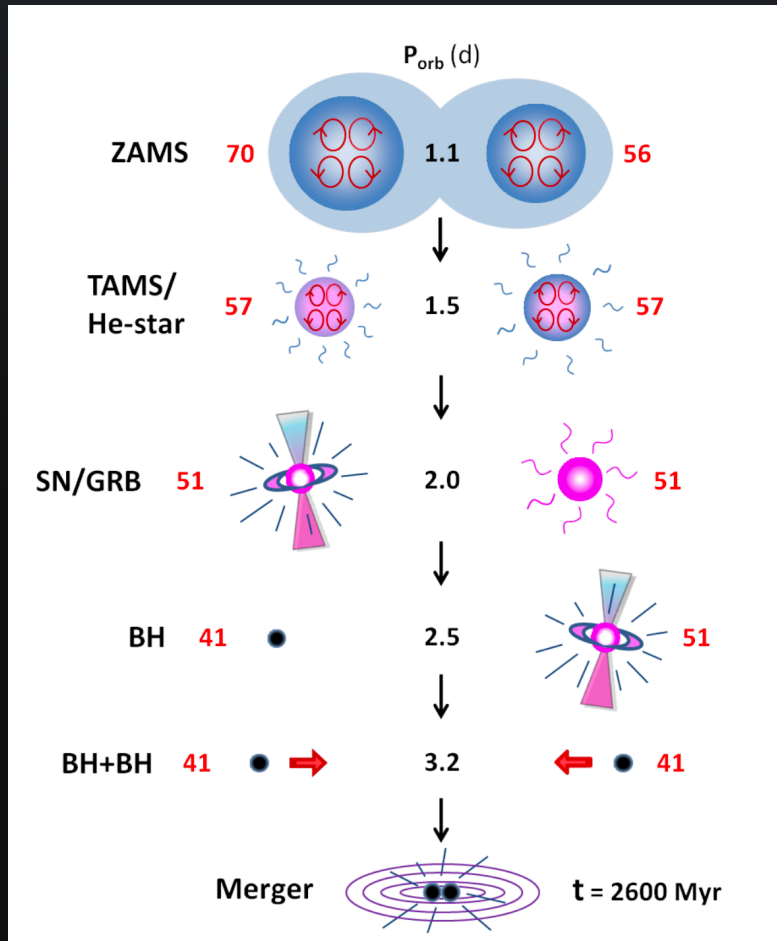
Vigna-Gomez+2020b (2010.13669)

*GWTC-1 (1811.12907)

Field/Cluster/Dynamic Degeneracy

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Safarzadeh+2020, Hoang+2020, etc.	Quadruples: mass-gap and spins	4-body dynamics
Romero-Shaw+2020, Samsing+2020, etc.	Eccentricity	Data analysis, single-binary dynamics

My Suggestion: CHE Binaries as a Probe for Natal BH Spin/Kick



- Ideal (maybe WR 20a $q \approx 0.9903$):
 - Mass ratio $q > 0.98$
 - $\chi_p \approx 0$
 - $0.4 > a$ (??)
 - $e = 0$
- LVC:
 - Mass ratio $q \gtrsim 0.95$
 - Likely aligned spins (kick)
 - Maximal spin $a \sim a_{\text{max}}$ (birth)
 - $e \approx 0$

Marchant+2016, de Mink & Mandel 2016, etc.
 (??) Batta & Ramirez-Ruiz+2019

BBHs from CHE Binaries: Rates

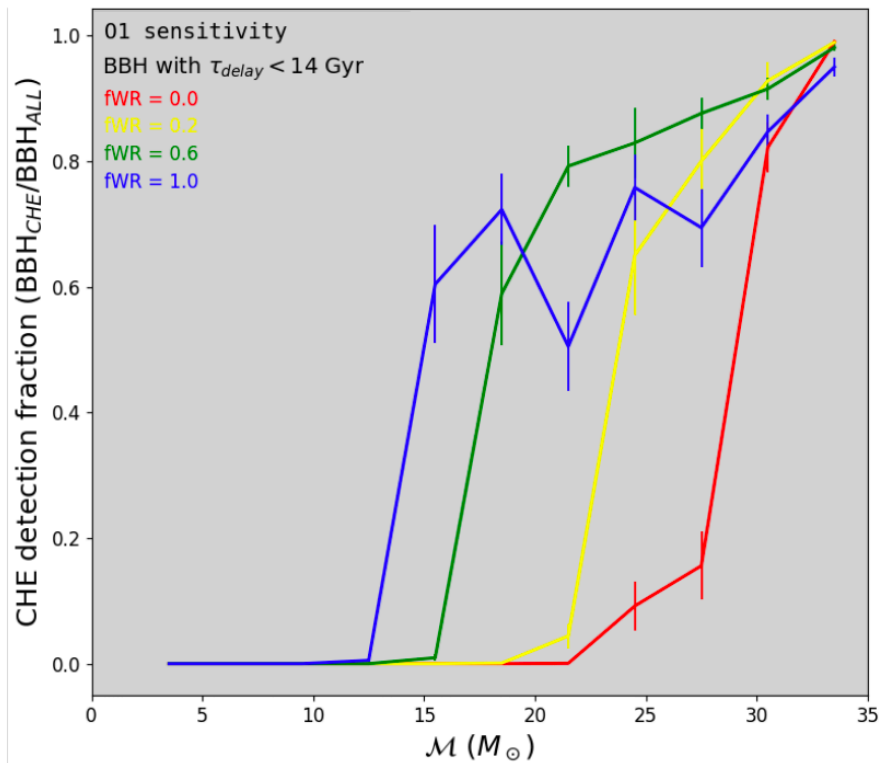


Figure 15. The fraction of BBHs formed through the CHE channel among all BBHs detectable at aLIGO O1 sensitivity, plotted as a function of chirp mass.

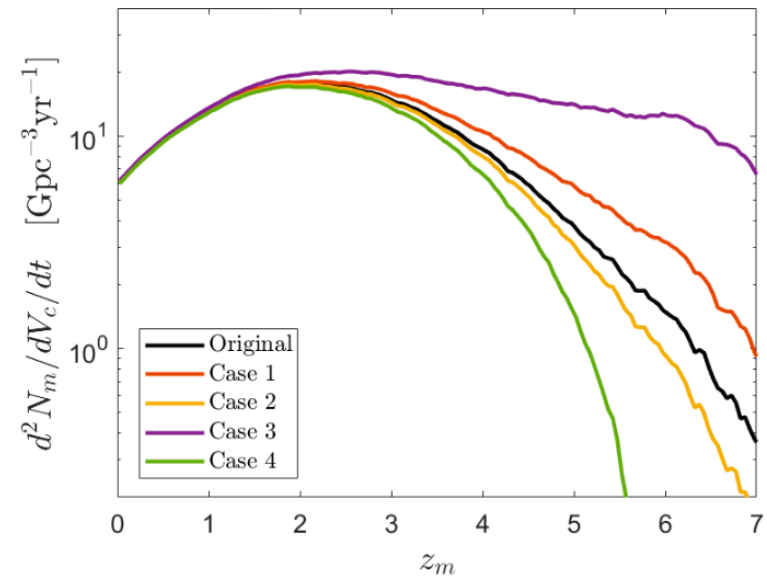
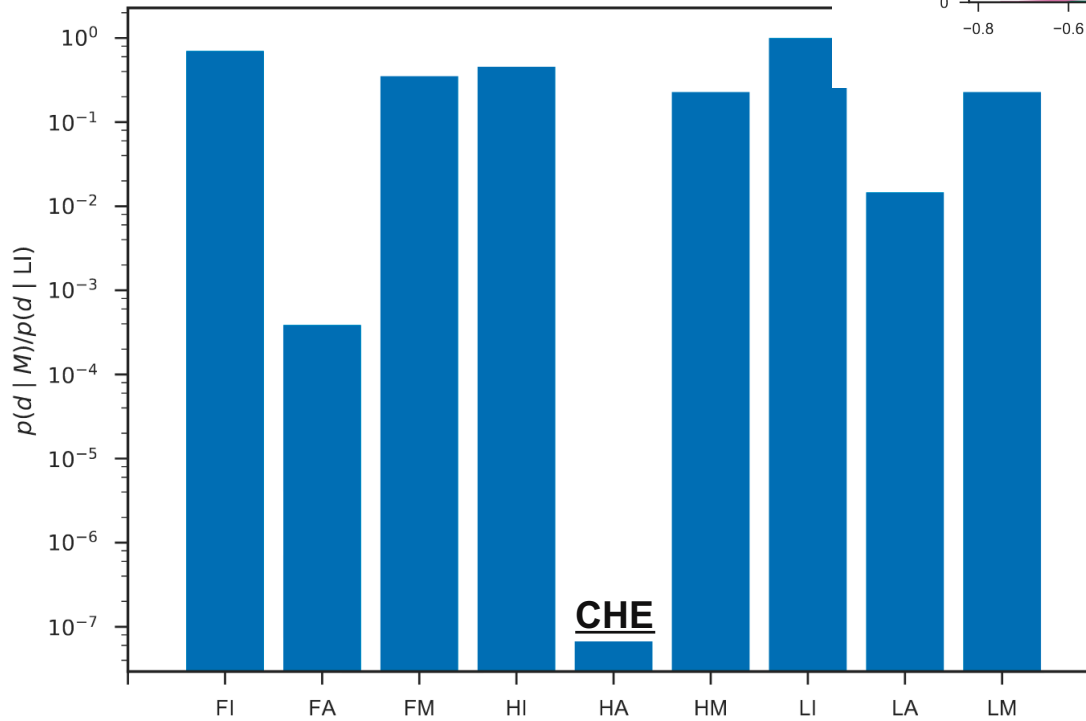
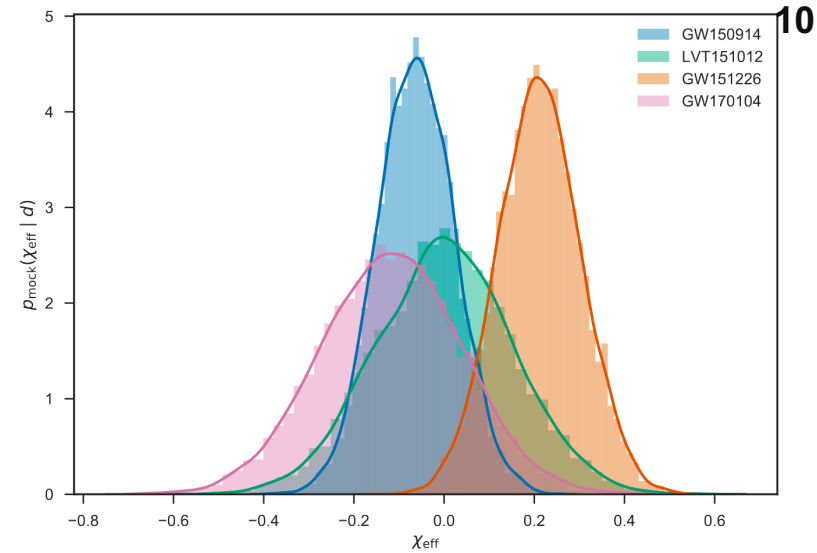


Figure 15. The co-moving cosmological BHBH merger rate for the default SFR case (labeled “Original” in the figure) as well as for each of the four cases of high-redshift deviations in SFR, as a function of merger redshift z_m . To see the four cases, see Figure 14.

Early(ish) efforts



F: flat

H: high

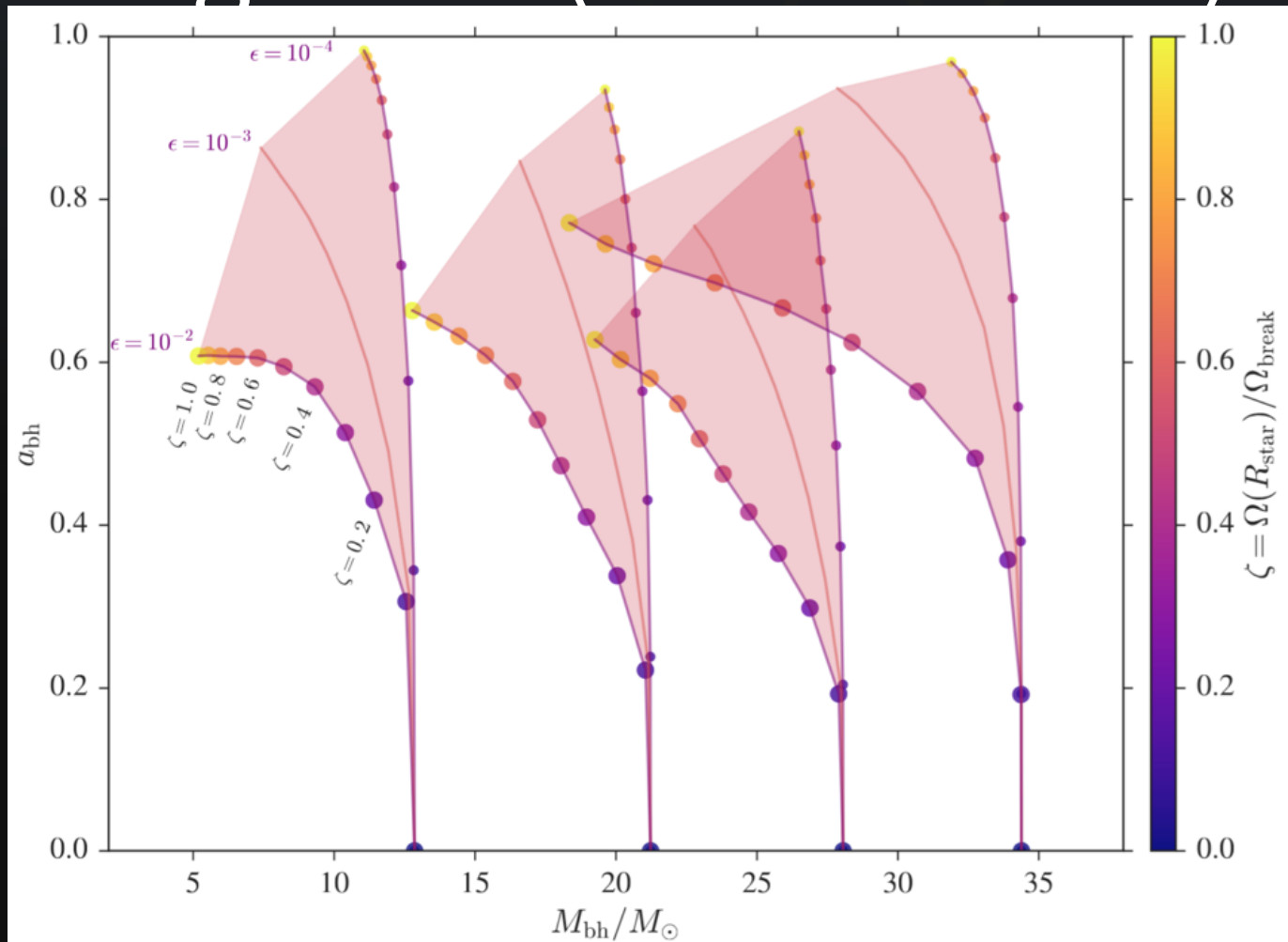
L: low

I: isotropic

A: aligned

M: mixed

Birth Spins from Rapidly Rotating Stars (such as CHE)



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My Open(?) Questions

- 1) Do we trust the highly spinning highly precessing waveforms for accurate inference of spin parameters?
- 2) Are natal kicks and natal spins correlated?
- 3) What is the effect of low/high natal spin?
- 4) How can we truly disentangle field vs cluster origin?
 - How bad do we need to disentangle it?
- 5) What are the pros, cons and caveats of the CHE channel?
Can we really make such definitive statements out of it?