

GLRT for Gaussian noise

GLRT for Gaussian noise in GW data analysis

- ▶ Gaussian stationary noise is the main model used in all GW data analysis algorithms
 - ▶ Extra steps are needed (e.g., line removal) to deal with the effects of non-Gaussian and non-stationary noise
- ▶ We will look at some of the principal forms of GLRT in Gaussian stationary noise that appear across all GW data analysis
 - ▶ Unknown amplitude
 - ▶ Unknown time of arrival
 - ▶ Unknown initial phase
 - ▶ Unknown amplitude, time of arrival, and initial phase

GLRT for Gaussian noise: Starting point

(See Chapter 1.3 and 1.4 of textbook)

- Data :

$$\bar{y} = \bar{s}(\Theta) + \bar{n};$$

\bar{n} : realization of zero mean Gaussian noise

Θ : set of signal parameters

- Let

$$\langle \bar{z}, \bar{y} \rangle = \bar{z}^T \mathbf{C}^{-1} \bar{y},$$

where \mathbf{C} is the covariance matrix of the noise, and

$$\|\bar{z}\|^2 = \langle \bar{z}, \bar{z} \rangle.$$

- Then, the GLRT is

$$L_G(\bar{y}) = \max_{\Theta} \ln L(\bar{y}; \Theta) = \max_{\Theta} \left[-\frac{1}{2} \|\bar{y} - \bar{s}(\Theta)\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{y}\|^2 \right]$$

$$L_G(\bar{y}) = \max_{\Theta} \left(\langle \bar{y}, \bar{s}(\Theta) \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|^2 \right)$$

Amplitude normalization

- Convenient normalization of signals:

$$\bar{s}(\Theta) = \frac{\|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|}{\|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|} \bar{s}(\Theta) = \overbrace{\|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|}^{\text{vector length}} \overbrace{\frac{\bar{s}(\Theta)}{\|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|}}^{\text{unit vector}} = \|\bar{s}(\Theta)\| \bar{q}(\Theta) = A \bar{q}(\Theta)$$

$$A = \|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|; \quad \|\bar{q}(\Theta)\| = 1 \Rightarrow \bar{q}(\Theta) \text{ is the unit norm signal}$$

- Any overall factor in $\bar{s}(\Theta)$ is now absorbed in A
 - Note: A is simply the SNR for the Likelihood Ratio test
- If this overall factor was in the set of unknown parameters, the set now becomes

$$\Theta = \{A, \Theta'\}$$

where Θ' denotes all remaining parameters

- $\bar{q}(\Theta)$ now depends only on Θ' :

$$\bar{q}(\Theta) \rightarrow \bar{q}(\Theta')$$

- Then

$$L_G(\bar{y}) = \max_{\Theta} \left(\langle \bar{y}, \bar{s}(\Theta) \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{s}(\Theta)\|^2 \right) \rightarrow L_G(\bar{y}) = \max_{A, \Theta'} \left(A \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta') \rangle - \frac{1}{2} A^2 \right)$$

Unknown amplitude

(Also see Appendix C.1 of textbook)

$$L_G(\bar{y}) = \max_{A, \Theta'} \left(A \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta') \rangle - \frac{1}{2} A^2 \right) = \max_{\Theta'} \left(\max_A \left(A \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta') \rangle - \frac{1}{2} A^2 \right) \right)$$

- Solution of inner minimization:

$$A = \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta') \rangle$$

- Hence

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta'} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta') \rangle^2$$

- (From now, $\Theta' \rightarrow \Theta$ the set of parameters **besides amplitude**)

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta) \rangle^2$$

Inner product for stationary noise

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta) \rangle^2$$

- White Gaussian Noise

$$\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle \rightarrow \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k y_k$$

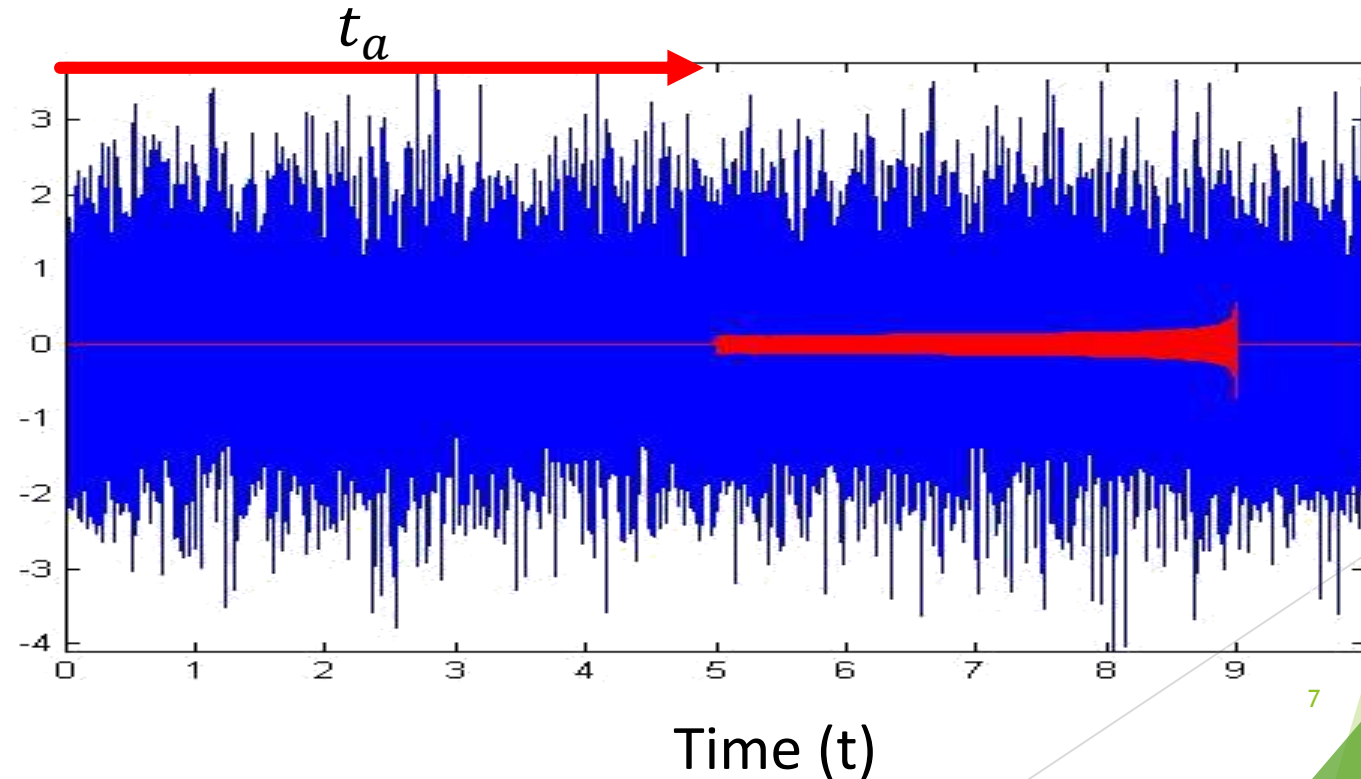
- Stationary Gaussian noise with Power Spectral Density (PSD)
 $S_n(f)$

$$\langle \bar{x}, \bar{y} \rangle \rightarrow \frac{\Delta}{N} \tilde{x} (\tilde{y}^\dagger ./ \bar{S}_n^T)$$

Where $\tilde{x} = F\bar{x}$ is the DFT

Unknown time of arrival

- Signal start time (“time of arrival”) parameter: t_a
- $q(t; t_a, \Theta') = q^{(0)}(t - t_a; \Theta')$
- $q^{(0)}(t; \Theta')$: unit norm signal at $t_a = 0$



Matched filtering

- ▶ $L_G = \max_{\Theta} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta) \rangle^2 = \max_{\Theta', t_a} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(t_a, \Theta') \rangle^2$ uses inner product $\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(t_a, \Theta') \rangle$
- ▶ Obtaining $\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(t_a, \Theta') \rangle$ as a function of t_a is a **filtering** operation

$$\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(t_a, \Theta') \rangle = \bar{y} \mathbf{C}^{-1} \bar{q}^T(t_a, \Theta') = \bar{z} \bar{q}^T(t_a, \Theta')$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} z_k q_k(t_a, \Theta') = \frac{1}{\delta t} \delta t \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} z_k q^{(0)}(t_k - t_a, \Theta')$$

$$\approx \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\delta t} \right) \int_0^T dt z(t) q^{(0)}(t - t_a; \Theta')}_{\text{Correlation}} = \frac{1}{\delta t} \underbrace{\int_0^T dt z(t) Q^{(0)}(t_a - t; \Theta')}_{\text{Convolution}}$$

= **Filtering** $z(t)$ with **impulse response** $Q^{(0)}(t) = q^{(0)}(-t)$

- ▶ Filtering done with filter that “matches” the signal → **Matched filtering**

Important operations on signals

Convolution of two analog signals,
 $f(t)$ and $g(t)$:

$$z(t) = (f * g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(t - \tau)d\tau$$

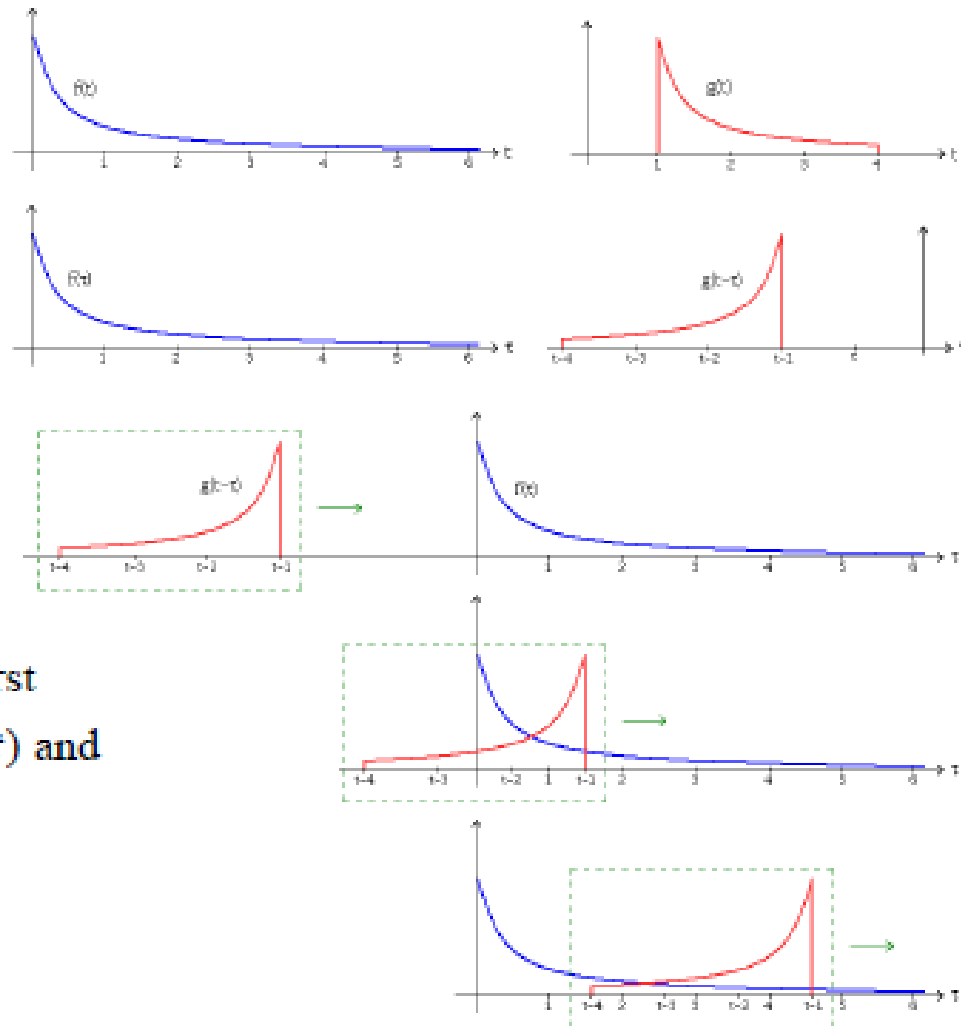
$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t - \tau)g(\tau)d\tau$$

Correlation:

$$z(t) = (f \wedge g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau)g(\tau - t)d\tau$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(\tau + t)g(\tau)d\tau$$

In convolution, one of the functions is first
 flipped into its mirror image $g(t) \rightarrow g(-t)$ and
 then a correlation is computed



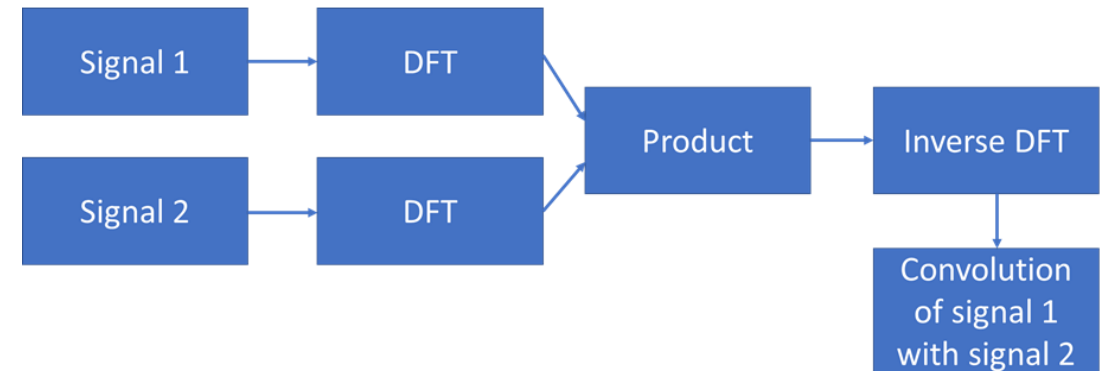
Efficient implementation of matched filtering

- ▶ Since $q^{(0)}(t; \Theta')$ is finite in length, the filtering operation is FIR filtering
- ▶ $\Rightarrow \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(t_a, \Theta') \rangle$ can be implemented efficiently using **FFT based correlation**
- 1. Divided (sample by sample) FFT of data \tilde{y} by PSD $\rightarrow \tilde{z}$
- 2. Multiply (sample by sample) \tilde{z} and (**complex conjugate**) of FFT of template (having $t_a = 0$)
- 3. Take inverse FFT

$$F^{-1} \left[(\tilde{y} / \bar{S}_n^T) .* (\tilde{q}^{(0)})^* \right] \rightarrow \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_a(t_a, \Theta') \rangle$$

$$\text{for } t_a = k\Delta, k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$$

$$\text{DFT}[\bar{x} * \bar{y}] = \tilde{x} .* \tilde{y} \Rightarrow \bar{x} * \bar{y} = \text{DFT}^{-1}[\tilde{x} .* \tilde{y}]$$



Unknown amplitude and initial phase

$\bar{s}(\Theta) = A \bar{q}(\Theta)$ where

$$\bar{q}(\Theta) = \bar{q}(\phi_0, \Theta')$$

with

$$q_k(\phi_0, \Theta') = N(\Theta') \sin(\phi(t_k; \Theta') + \phi_0)$$

► Sinusoidal signal

► $s(t) = A \sin(2\pi f_0 t + \phi_0)$

► Parameters: A, f_0, ϕ_0

► Linear chirp signal

► $s(t) = A \sin(2\pi(f_0 t + f_1 t^2) + \phi_0)$

► Parameters: A, f_0, f_1, ϕ_0

► Sine-Gaussian signal

► $s(t) = A \exp\left(-\frac{(t-t_0)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) \sin(2\pi f_0 t + \phi_0)$

► Parameters: $A, t_0, \sigma, f_0, \phi_0$

Unknown amplitude and initial phase

$$q_k(\phi_0, \Theta') = N(\Theta') \sin(\phi(t_k; \Theta') + \phi_0)$$

$$\Rightarrow q_k(\phi_0, \Theta') = \underbrace{N(\Theta') \sin(\phi(t_k; \Theta'))}_{q_{0,k}} \underbrace{\cos(\phi_0)}_X + \underbrace{N(\Theta') \cos(\phi(t_k; \Theta'))}_{q_{1,k}} \underbrace{\sin(\phi_0)}_Y$$

- $N(\Theta')$: normalization constant such that $\|\bar{q}(\phi_0, \Theta')\| = 1$
- Therefore,

$$\bar{q}(\phi_0, \Theta') = X \bar{q}_0(\Theta') + Y \bar{q}_1(\Theta')$$

$$X^2 + Y^2 = 1$$

Unknown amplitude and initial phase

- From the GLRT for unknown amplitude,

$$\begin{aligned} L_G &= \max_{\Theta} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta) \rangle^2 \\ &= \max_{\Theta'} \max_{\substack{X, Y \\ X^2 + Y^2 = 1}} (X \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\Theta') \rangle + Y \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\Theta') \rangle)^2 \end{aligned}$$

- The quantity to be maximized is of the form

$$(X \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\Theta') \rangle + Y \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\Theta') \rangle)^2 = (A_1 n_1 + A_2 n_2)^2 = (\bar{A} \cdot \hat{n})^2$$

Where $\hat{n} = (X, Y)$ is a unit vector since $X^2 + Y^2 = 1$

Unknown amplitude and initial phase

- Solution: $(\bar{A} \cdot \hat{n})^2$ is maximized when the unit vector \hat{n} points along vector $\hat{A} = \bar{A}/|\bar{A}| \Rightarrow$

$$X = \frac{\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0 \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0 \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1 \rangle^2}}, Y = \frac{\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1 \rangle}{\sqrt{\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0 \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1 \rangle^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow L_G = \max_{\Theta'} [\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\Theta') \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\Theta') \rangle^2]$$

- (From now, $\Theta' \rightarrow \Theta$ the set of parameters **besides amplitude and initial phase**)

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta} [\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\Theta) \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\Theta) \rangle^2]$$

Monochromatic signal in WGN

- Special case: Monochromatic signal in WGN:

$$q(t; \Theta) \rightarrow q(t; \omega) = N(\omega) \sin(\omega t + \phi_0)$$

- N samples and Uniform sampling $\Rightarrow t_k = k\Delta, k = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$

- WGN ($\sigma^2 = 1$) $\Rightarrow \langle \bar{x}, \bar{z} \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k z_k$ and $\|\bar{x}\|^2 = \langle \bar{x}, \bar{x} \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k^2$

$$\therefore \|\bar{q}(\omega)\|^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \langle \bar{q}(\omega), \bar{q}(\omega) \rangle = N^2(\omega) \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sin^2(\omega t_k)$$

$$\approx \frac{N^2(\omega)}{\Delta} \int_0^{T=(N-1)\Delta} dt \sin^2 \omega t \approx \frac{N^2(\omega)}{2\Delta} T = 1 \Rightarrow N(\omega) = \sqrt{\frac{2\Delta}{T}}$$

\Rightarrow Normalization factor $N(\omega) = N_0$ is independent of ω

$$\Rightarrow q_{1,k}(\omega) - iq_{0,k}(\omega) = N_0(\cos \omega t_k - i \sin \omega t_k) = N_0 e^{-i\omega t_k} = N_0 e^{-i\omega k\Delta}$$

Monochromatic signal in WGN

- Now, $A^2 + B^2 = |A - i B|^2$

$$\Rightarrow \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\omega) \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\omega) \rangle^2 = |\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\omega) \rangle - i \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\omega) \rangle|^2$$

$$= \left| \underbrace{\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\omega) - i \bar{q}_0(\omega) \rangle}_{\langle \bar{x}, \bar{z} \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k z_k} \right|^2 = \left| \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y_k \underbrace{\left(q_{1,k}(\omega) - i q_{0,k}(\omega) \right)}_{q_{1,k}(\omega) - i q_{0,k}(\omega) = N_0 e^{-i\omega k \Delta}} \right|^2$$

$$L_G = \max_{\omega} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} y_k e^{-i\omega k \Delta} \right|^2 \text{ (Ignoring overall constant factors)}$$

- Performing the search for the maximum over a **regularly spaced grid** in ω given by $\omega_p = 2\pi p/(N\Delta)$,
- $\Rightarrow L_G$ for **monochromatic sinusoid in WGN**: Compute the magnitude of the DFT of the data and find the frequency with the largest peak

Unknown Amplitude, initial phase, and time of arrival

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta} [\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(\Theta) \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(\Theta) \rangle^2]$$

- $\Theta = \{t_a, \Theta'\}$

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta'} \left[\max_{t_a} (\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_0(t_a, \Theta') \rangle^2 + \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_1(t_a, \Theta') \rangle^2) \right] = \max_{\Theta'} \lambda(\Theta')$$

1. For a given Θ' , Evaluate $\langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}_p(t_a, \Theta') \rangle$, $p = 0, 1$, using FFT based method \rightarrow Two output time series
2. Square the samples of each time series
3. Add the two resulting time series
4. Find the maximum of this time series \rightarrow get $\lambda(\Theta')$

Template bank implementation of GLRT

$$L_G = \max_{\Theta} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta) \rangle^2$$

Grid search over parameters Θ

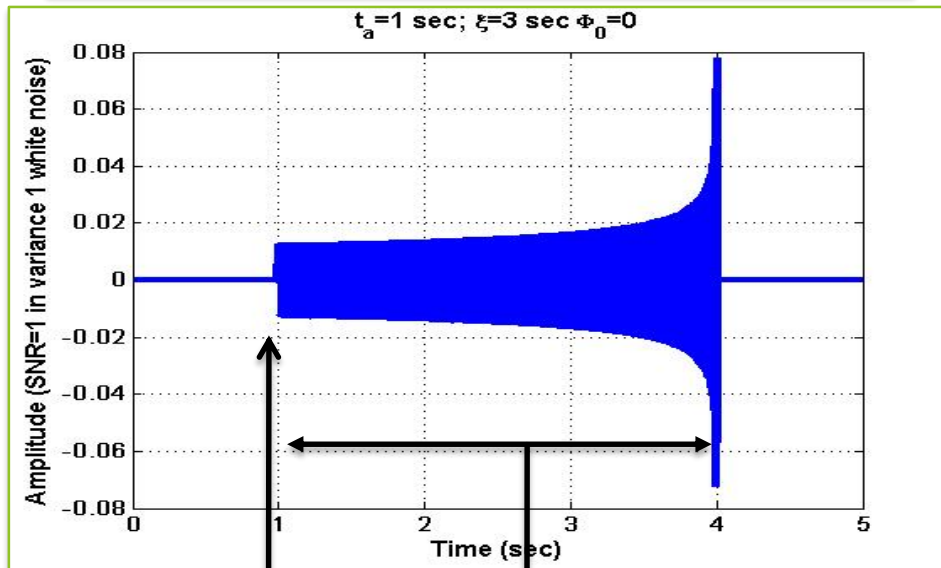
- ▶ Fix a grid of points in the parameter space (e.g., regularly spaced)
- ▶ For each point in the search grid, compute

$$\lambda(\Theta) = \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta) \rangle^2$$

- ▶ $\bar{q}(\Theta)$ is called a **template waveform**
 - ▶ Unknown initial phase: \bar{q}_0, \bar{q}_1 are called **quadrature templates**
 - ▶ The set of template waveforms associated with the grid is called a **template bank**
- ▶ Find the grid point that gives the maximum value of $\lambda(\Theta)$
- ▶ Grid search over time of arrival parameter is efficient but not for other parameters

Example: Grid search Newtonian Binary Inspiral signal

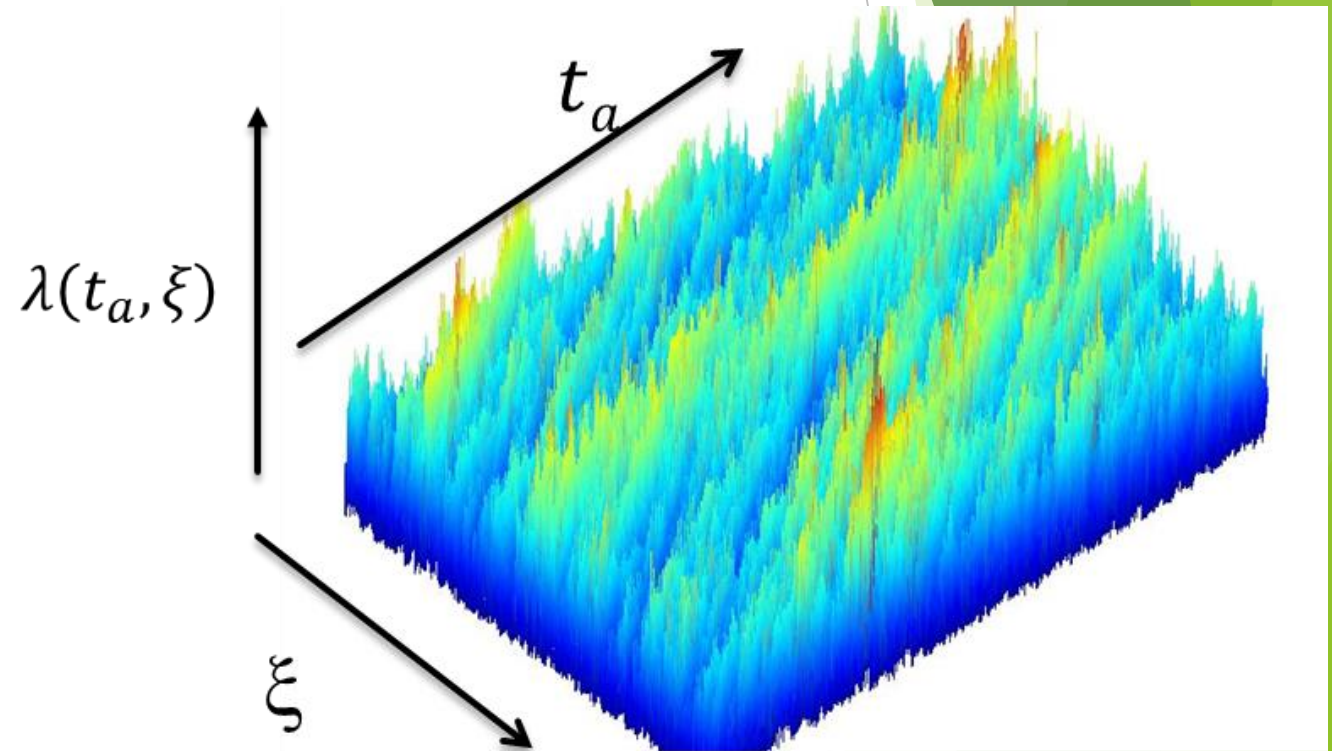
Newtonian inspiral template



t_a : time of arrival

Φ_0 : Initial phase

ξ : Chirp time



Due to noise in the data, $\lambda(\Theta)$ is a random field over Θ

Summary: GLRT for Gaussian stationary noise

- ▶ General form of the GLRT obtained for some common cases
- ▶ Most GW data analysis algorithms are designed for the case of Gaussian stationary noise (but must be enhanced for real data)
- ▶ In GW data analysis,

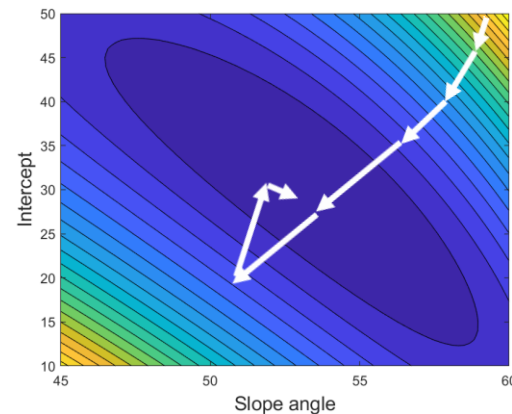
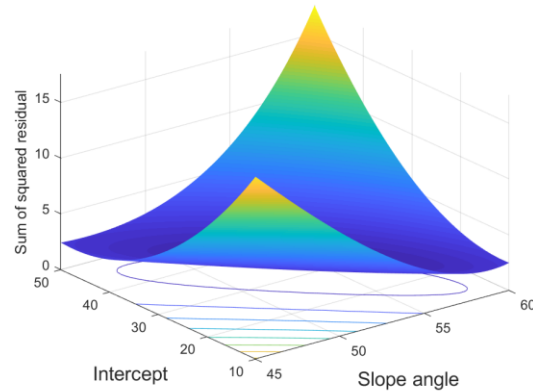
Extrinsic parameters

- Parameters such as A, ϕ_0, t_a that can be maximized **analytically** or **efficiently**

Intrinsic parameters

- Parameters that must be maximized over **numerically** and/or are challenging to maximize

Log-likelihood for Gaussian noise and linear parameters: **Convex function**



LINEAR MODELS

MLE or GLRT in Gaussian noise

- Parameters appearing linearly can be maximized algebraically (e.g., See Appendix C.2 of textbook)
 - Unknown amplitude and initial phase:
$$A q(\Phi(t) + \phi_0) = A \cos \phi_0 \sin \Phi(t) + A \sin \phi_0 \cos \Phi(t)$$
$$= X \sin \Phi(t) + Y \cos \Phi(t) \Rightarrow X, Y: \text{Linear parameters}$$
- For linear models with large number of parameters, **greedy methods** (e.g., steepest descent) work well

Intrinsic parameters

- General form of GLRT in GW data analysis:

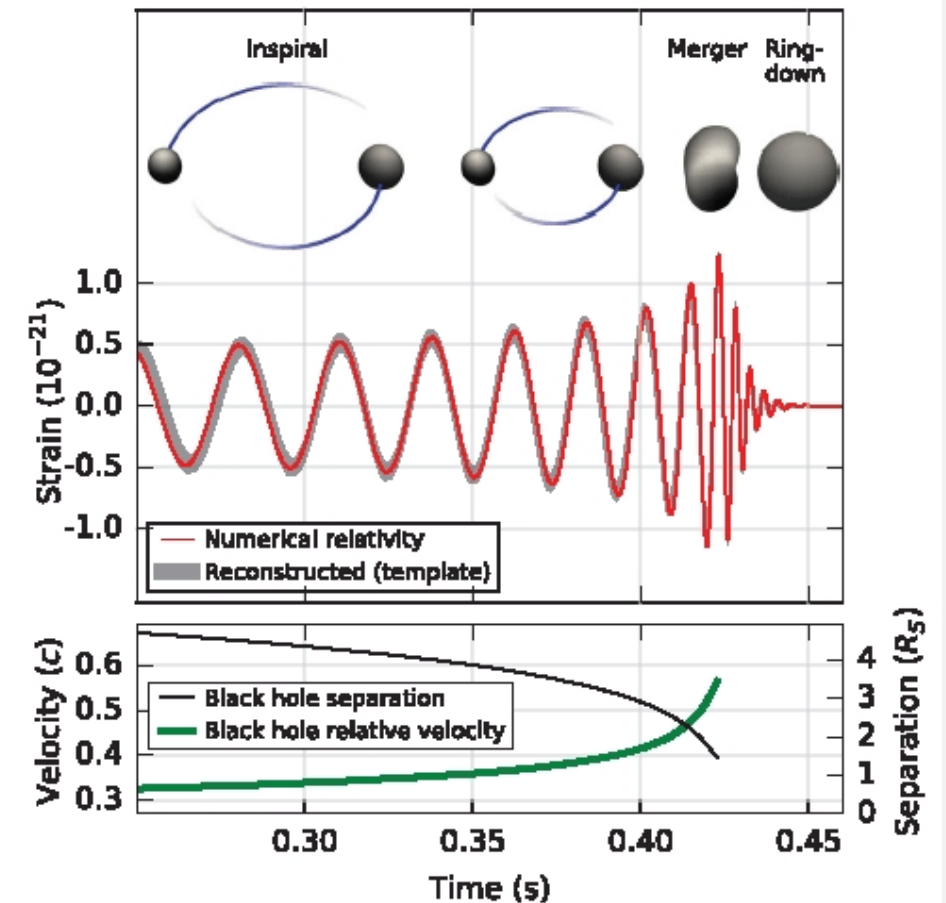
$$\begin{aligned} L_G &= \max_{\substack{\text{intrinsic} \\ \text{parameters}}} \max_{\substack{\text{extrinsic} \\ \text{parameters}}} \langle \bar{y}, \bar{q}(\Theta_{\text{extrinsic}}, \Theta_{\text{intrinsic}}) \rangle^2 \\ &= \max_{\substack{\text{intrinsic} \\ \text{parameters}}} \lambda(\Theta_{\text{intrinsic}}) \end{aligned}$$

- The maximization of $\lambda(\Theta_{\text{intrinsic}})$ must be done using numerical optimization methods
- In most GW data analysis problems, this is a highly challenging step because grid search becomes very expensive (or impossible with current computers)

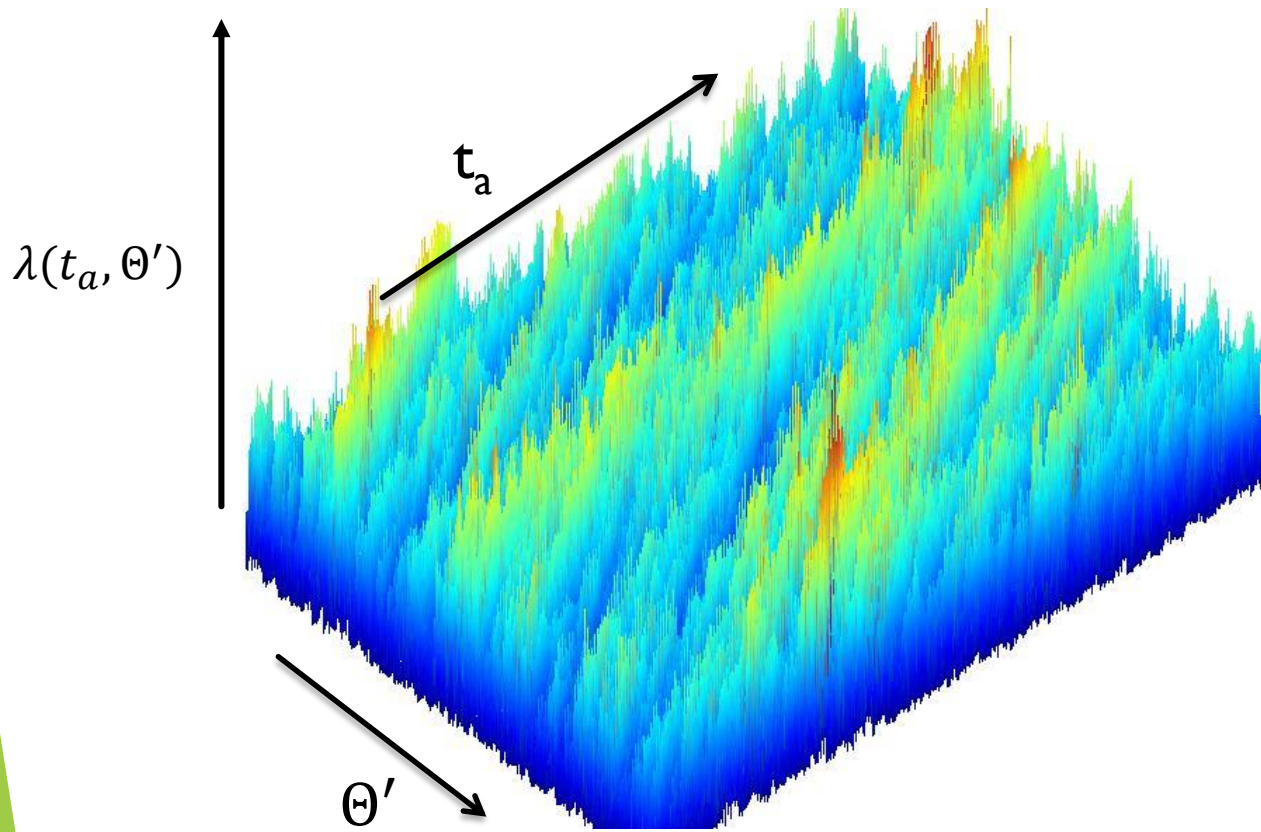
BINARY INSPIRAL SEARCH

Network analysis $\Theta_{intrinsic}$:

- ❑ mass of each component (2)
- ❑ sky location (2)
- ❑ spin of each component (6)
- ❑ Optimization required in 4 to 10 dimensional space
- ❑ Lower mass binaries last longer in the detector frequency band \Rightarrow cost of evaluating $F(\Theta_{intrinsic})$ becomes higher



Binary inspiral search



The numerical optimization problem is

1. Intrinsically difficult

- Large number of maxima
- Becomes worse as the number of parameters increases

2. Computationally expensive

- Binary inspiral network analysis for ground-based detectors grid based search: $\approx 10^8$ points in $\Theta_{intrinsic}$ space with $\approx 10^7$ floating point operations per point (1 hour segments) \Rightarrow 0.3 Tflops to just keep up with the incoming data rate
- Computational bottleneck \Rightarrow current searches follow a sub-optimal approach \Rightarrow Lower sensitivity \Rightarrow Reduced rate of detections