Ideas and comments about GW and SIMBAD/Vizier

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Outline: comments on SIMBAD entries for GWXXXXX and technical discussion about BBH catalog project

GW in SIMBAD

Source: email from ecm, Oct 21 2016

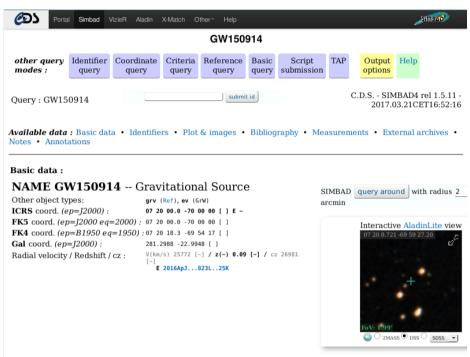
Current status [today: Mar 21, 2017]

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http://simbad.u-strasbg.fr/simbad/sim-id?Ident=GW150914
http://simbad.u-strasbg.fr/simbad/sim-id?Ident=GW151226
http://simbad.u-strasbg.fr/simbad/sim-id?Ident=LVT151012
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Issues with the present entries

- Bad naming, wrong references, confusing sky location (see next slides)
- Non consensual object type (grv, GrW)
- Event time is missing
- Add basic properties of observed signal: GW luminosity, duration in band
- Source properties: redshift [should be with error bars!]
- Add links to losc.ligo.org?

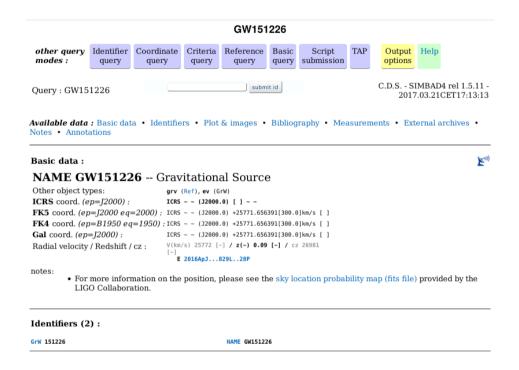
GW150914



Problems to correct

- "NAME GW150914 -- Gravitational Source" > "Gravitational Wave Source or event"
- Reference is wrong!
 - http://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.116.061102
- Sky position RA, dec is misleading!
 - Should be pointing to a skymap
 https://losc.ligo.org/s/events/GW150914/P1500227/LALInference_skymap.fits.gz

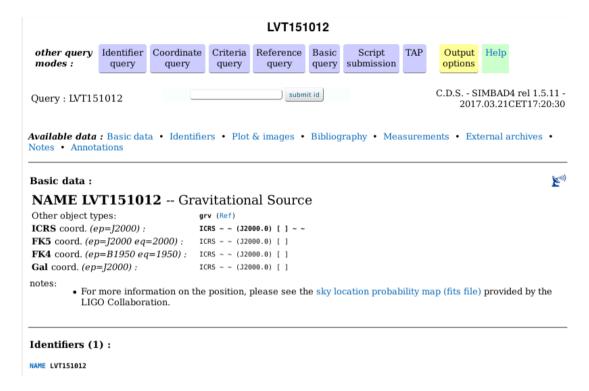
GW151226



Problems to correct

- "NAME GW151226 -- Gravitational Source" > "Gravitational Wave Source or event"
- Reference is wrong!
 http://journals.aps.org/prl/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevLett.116.241103
- Sky position RA, dec is misleading!
 - Should be pointing to a skymap
 https://losc.ligo.org/s/events/GW151226/P1500227/LALInference_skymap_2.fits.gz

LVT151012



Problems to correct

- "NAME LVT151012 -- Gravitational Source" > "Gravitational Wave Source or event"
- Reference is wrong!
 http://journals.aps.org/prx/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevX.6.041015
- Sky position RA, dec is misleading!
 - Should be pointing to a skymap
 https://losc.ligo.org/s/events/LVT151012/P1500227/LALInference_skymap1.fits.gz

BBH catalog to Vizier?

Context

- Binary Black Holes: 3 during O1 (that is, 1/month)
- Rate could go up to 1/few days in O3
- Few tenths of BBH by the end of O3 (mid 2019)
- Collect information in a single catalog

Catalog for O1 in preparation

- The LVC collaboration is collecting and formatting the data
- Primary server is LOSC could be also in the VO?
- Limitations Would that be incompatible with Vizier stds?
 - Don't have precise location of the source (don't have RA, dec)
 - But have a skymap for source localization
 - Include time-series snippet?

Notes - Mar 22 2017

Meeting with Simbad and Vizier team at CDS Strasbourg

Present: ECM, Mark Allen, Pierre Ocvirk, Cécile Loup, Bernd Vollmer,
 Marianne Brouty

GW entries in SIMBAD

- Object type: "Gravitational Source" will be changed to "Gravitational wave event"
- RA, dec coordinates will be removed for GW150914
- Links to skymaps have been inserted
- Acronyms Currently in use: GrW. http://cds.u-strasbg.fr/cgi-bin/Dic-Simbad
 A formal request has to be formulated to IAU. The request form can be found here:
 http://cdsarc.u-strasbg.fr/viz-bin/DicForm
 [Should bring this to LVC DAC's attention]

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GW entries in SIMBAD

- References SIMBAD harvests papers from Astro journals. Doesn't look at Physics paper such as PRL. Connection with AAS but not with APS. Two actions:
 - Would a temporary feed from LVC editorial board possible? Agree on format.
 - The Simbad team will get in touch with the APS for a long-term and more general solution.
- ECM will provide error bar for redshift in the three existing entries
- No support for other fields relevant to GW event in SIMBAD (time, luminosity, binary property)
 - The right solution is to add links to catalog entries in Vizier (allows much more freedom in the field definition)

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BBH catalog

- Few tenths of BBH by end of 2019?
- Contents of BBH catalog being defined. Primarily stored at losc.ligo.org
- Pushing to Vizier
 - It is OK to have successive versions of the catalog as more data is accumulated
 as long as the table format does not change much
 - Once the LOSC BBH catalog is ready, just provide the URL
 - The catalog B/Corot is a very good example
 http://vizier.u-strasbg.fr/viz-bin/VizieR-3?-source=B/corot/Bright_star
 - It is possible to add skymaps to each catalog entries → visualization though a link to AladinLite
 - It is possible to add a waveform snippet to each catalog entries [HDF ightarrow FITS]