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# **GWCelery Documentation**

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GWCelery is a simple and reliable package for annotating and orchestrating LIGO/Virgo alerts, built from widely used open source components. It is built on the [Celery](#) distributed task queue (hence the name). This is the design and reference manual for GWCelery.

GWCelery’s responsibilities include:

1. Merging related candidates from multiple online LIGO/Virgo transient searches into “superevents”
2. Correlating LIGO/Virgo events with gamma-ray bursts, neutrinos, and supernovae
3. Launching automated follow-up analyses including data quality checks, rapid sky localization, automated parameter estimation, and source classification
4. Generating and sending preliminary machine-readable GCN notices
5. Sending updated GCN notices after awaiting human input
6. Automatically composing GCN Circulars

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**Note:** If you are a scientist, student, educator, or astronomy enthusiast looking for information about LIGO/Virgo alerts and low-latency data products, then please see our [LIGO/Virgo Public Alerts User Guide](#).

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# CHAPTER 1

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## Quick start

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These instructions are suitable for installing GWCelery for development and testing on any machine.

### 1.1 To install

GWCelery requires Python  $\geq 3.6$ .

The easiest way to install it is with `venv` and `pip`:

```
$ python -m venv --system-site-packages ~/gwcelery
$ source ~/gwcelery/bin/activate
$ pip install gwcelery
```

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**Hint: Note:** GWCelery requires a fairly new version of *setuptools*. If you get an error message that looks like this:

```
pkg_resources.VersionConflict: (setuptools 0.9.8
(/usr/lib/python2.7/site-packages),
Requirement.parse('setuptools>=30.3.0'))
```

then run `pip install --upgrade setuptools` and try again.

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### 1.2 To test

With `setup.py`:

```
$ python setup.py test
```

## 1.3 To start

Before starting GWCelery, you need to authenticate for access to GraceDB and LVAAlert and make sure that you have a Redis server running. Once you have completed those steps, you can start each of the GWCelery manually.

### 1.3.1 Authentication

To authenticate for GraceDB, obtain grid credentials from the [LSC DataGrid Client](#) by running `ligo-proxy-init`:

```
$ ligo-proxy-init albert.einstein
```

To authenticate for LVAAlert, first complete the [LVAAlert Account Activation](#) form once for each LVAAlert server that you intend to use (generally you only need “Playground” for development purposes). Make a note of the passwords and store them in your `~/.netrc` file with appropriate file permissions:

```
$ echo > ~/.netrc
$ chmod 0600 ~/.netrc
$ echo machine lvalert.cgca.uwm.edu login albert.einstein password password-for-
↪production >> ~/.netrc
$ echo machine lvalert-playground.cgca.uwm.edu login albert.einstein password_
↪password-for-playground >> ~/.netrc
$ echo machine lvalert-test.cgca.uwm.edu login albert.einstein password password-for-
↪test >> ~/.netrc
```

### 1.3.2 Redis

GWCelery requires a [Redis](#) database server for task bookkeeping. Your operating system’s package manager may be able to install, configure, and automatically launch a suitable Redis server for you.

#### Debian, Ubuntu, apt

Debian or Ubuntu users can install and start Redis using `apt-get`:

```
$ sudo apt-get install redis
```

#### macOS, MacPorts

Mac users with MacPorts can install Redis using `port install`:

```
$ sudo port install redis
```

Use `port load` to start the server:

```
$ sudo port load redis
```

#### From source

If none of the above options are available, then you can follow the [Redis Quick Start](#) instructions to build redis from source and start a server:

```
$ wget http://download.redis.io/redis-stable.tar.gz
$ tar xvzf redis-stable.tar.gz
$ cd redis-stable
$ make -j
$ src/redis-server
```

### 1.3.3 Start GWCelery components manually

GWCelery itself consists of five [Celery workers](#) and one [Flask](#) web application. Start them all by running each of the following commands:

```
$ gwcelery worker -l info -n gwcelery-worker -Q celery -B
$ gwcelery worker -l info -n gwcelery-extttrig-worker -Q extttrig -c 1
$ gwcelery worker -l info -n gwcelery-openmp-worker -Q openmp -c 1
$ gwcelery worker -l info -n gwcelery-superevent-worker -Q superevent -c 1
$ gwcelery worker -l info -n gwcelery-voevent-worker -Q voevent -P solo
$ gwcelery flask run
```

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**Hint:** With these arguments, each of the commands above will run until you type Control-C. You may want to run each of them in a separate terminal, or in the background using [screen](#) or [nohup](#).

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## Design and anatomy of GWCelery

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### 2.1 Conceptual overview

Several online gravitational-wave transient search pipelines (currently Gstlal, PyCBC, cWB, and oLIB) upload candidates in real time to GraceDB, the central database and web portal for low-latency LIGO/Virgo analyses. Whenever an event is uploaded or altered, GraceDB pushes machine-readable notifications through LVAAlert, a pubsub system based on [XMPP](#).

The business logic for selecting and sending alerts to astronomers resides not in GraceDB itself but in GWCelery. The role of GWCelery in the LIGO/Virgo alert infrastructure is to drive the workflow of aggregating and annotating gravitational-wave candidates and sending GCN Notices to astronomers.

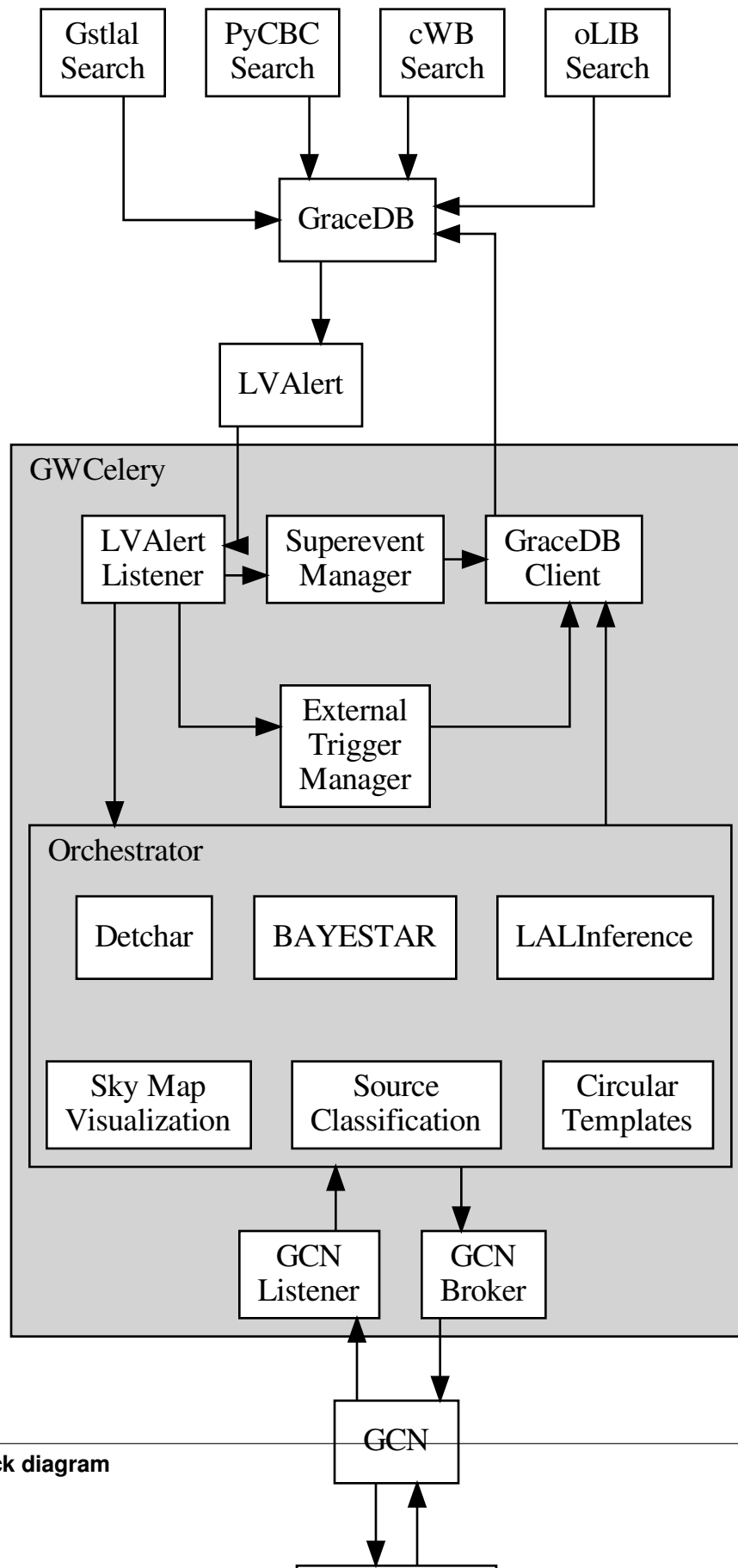
GWCelery interacts with GraceDB by listening for LVAAlert messages and making REST API requests through the GraceDB client. GWCelery interacts with GCN by listening for and sending GCN Notices using the Comet VOEvent broker.

The major subsystems of GWCelery are:

- the LVAAlert listener
- the GraceDB client
- the GCN listener
- the GCN broker
- the Superevent Manager, which clusters and merges related candidates into “superevents”
- the External Trigger Manager, which correlates gravitational-wave events with GRB, neutrino, and supernova events
- the Orchestrator, which executes the per-event annotation workflow

## 2.2 Block diagram

Below is a diagram illustrating the conceptual relationships of these subsystems. Nodes in the graph are hyperlinks to the relevant API documentation.



## 2.3 Processes

A complete deployment of GWCelery (whether launched from the *shell* or from *HTCondor*) consists of several processes:

### 1. Message Broker

Routes and distributes Celery task messages and stores results of tasks for later retrieval. See [Choosing a Broker](#) in the Celery manual for more details. For technical reasons, we use a [Redis](#) broker.

### 2. Celery Beat

Scheduler for periodic tasks (the Celery equivalent of cron jobs). For more information, see [Periodic Tasks](#) in the Celery manual.

### 3. Monitoring Console (optional)

You can optionally run [Flower](#), a web monitoring console for Celery.

### 4. OpenMP Worker

A Celery worker that has been configured to accept only computationally intensive tasks that use OpenMP parallelism. To route a task to the OpenMP worker, pass the keyword argument `queue='openmp'` to the `@app.task` decorator when you declare it.

There are two tasks that run in the OpenMP queue:

- `gwcelery.tasks.bayestar.localize()`
- `gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.plot_volume()`

### 5. Superevent Worker

A Celery worker that is dedicated to serially process triggers from low latency pipelines and create/modify superevents in GraceDB. There is only one task that runs on the Superevent queue:

- `gwcelery.tasks.superevents.handle()`

### 6. External Trigger Worker

A Celery worker that is dedicated to serially process external triggers from GRB alerts received from Fermi, Swift and neutrino alerts received from SNEWS and create/modify external trigger events in GraceDB:

- `gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers.handle_gcn()`

### 7. VOEvent Worker

A Celery worker that is dedicated to sending and receiving VOEvents. It runs an embedded instance of the [Comet](#) VOEvent broker, which is started and stopped using a set of custom [Celery bootsteps](#). Note that the VOEvent worker must be started with the `--pool=solo` option so that tasks are executed in the same Python process that is running the VOEvent broker.

### 8. General-Purpose Worker

A Celery worker that accepts all other tasks.

### 9. Flask Web Application

A web application that provides forms to manually initiate certain tasks, including sending an update alert or creating a mock event.



## 2.4 Eternal tasks

GWCelery has a few long-running tasks that do not return because they have to keep open a persistent connection with some external service. These tasks are subclasses of `celery_etalernal.EternalTask` or `celery_etalernal.EternalProcessTask`.

- `gwcelery.tasks.lvalert.listen()`

These tasks run inside the general-purpose worker process described above, and are automatically started (and restarted as necessary) by Celery Beat.

## 2.5 Handlers

A recurring pattern in GWCelery is that an eternal task listens continuously to a remote connection, receives packets of data over that connection, and dispatches further handling to other tasks based on packet type.

A decorator is provided to register a function as a Celery task and also plug it in as a handler for one or more packet types. This pattern is used for both GCN notices and LVALert message handlers.

### 2.5.1 GCN notices

GCN notice handler tasks are declared using the `gwcelery.tasks.gcn.handler()` decorator:

```
import lxml.etree
from gwcelery.tasks import gcn

@gcn.handler(gcn.NoticeType.FERMI_GBM_GND_POS,
             gcn.NoticeType.FERMI_GBM_FIN_POS)
def handle_fermi(payload):
    root = lxml.etree.fromstring(payload)
    # do work here...
```

### 2.5.2 LVALert messages

LVALert message handler tasks are declared using the `gwcelery.tasks.lvalert.handler()` decorator:

```
from gwcelery.tasks import lvalert

@lvalert.handler('cbc_gstlal',
                 'cbc_spiir',
                 'cbc_pycbc',
                 'cbc_mbttaonline')
def handle_cbc(alert):
    # do work here...
```



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## Configuration

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Like any Celery application, GWCelery's configuration options are stored at run time in a global configuration object, `gwcelery.app.conf`. There are options for Celery itself such as options that affect the task and result backends; these options are documented in the [Configuration and defaults](#) section of the Celery manual.

The configuration object also holds all of the options that are specific to GWCelery and affect the behavior of individual GWCelery tasks; examples include the GraceDB and LVAAlert service URLs, GCN hostnames, and frame file types and channel names. For a list of all GWCelery-specific options, see the API documentation for the `gwcelery.conf` module.

GWCelery provides four preset configurations, one for each GraceDB server instance (production, deployment, testing, or playground). The default configuration preset is for the playground server, `gracedb-playground.ligo.org`. The recommended way to select a different preset is to set the `CELERY_CONFIG_MODULE` environment variable before starting the workers. For example, to configure GWCelery for production:

```
$ export CELERY_CONFIG_MODULE=gwcelery.conf.production
```

### 3.1 Authentication

There are a few files that must be present in order to provide authentication tokens for GraceDB and LVAAlert.

#### GraceDB

You must provide valid LSC DataGrid credentials in order for requests to the GraceDB REST API to work. During development and testing, you can use your personal credentials obtained from the [LSC DataGrid Client](#) by running `ligo-proxy-init`. However, credentials obtained this way expire after a few days or whenever your machine's temporary directory is wiped (e.g., at system restart).

For production deployment, you should [obtain a robot certificate](#) and store it in a location such as `~/.globus/userkey.pem` and `~/.globus/usercert.pem`.

## LVAAlert

You must provide a valid username and password for LVAAlert. You can request an account using the [LVAAlert Account Activation](#) form. The LVAAlert username and password should be stored in your `netrc` file.

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## Running under HTCondor

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The recommended way to start and stop GWCelery on the LIGO Data Grid cluster is using [HTCondor](#). See the example HTCondor submit file [gwcelery.sub](#). This submit file will start up Redis, the worker processes, the Flask web application, and Flower. It will create some log files and a Unix domain socket, so you should first navigate to a directory where you want these files to go. For example:

```
$ mkdir -p ~/gwcelery/var && cd ~/gwcelery/var
```

Then run the submit file as follows:

```
$ gwcelery.sub
Submitting job(s).....
8 job(s) submitted to cluster 293497.
```

To stop GWCelery, run the `condor_hold` command:

```
$ condor_hold -constraint 'JobBatchName == "gwcelery"'
All jobs matching constraint (JobBatchName == "gwcelery") have been held
```

To restart GWCelery, run `condor_release`:

```
$ condor_release -constraint 'JobBatchName == "gwcelery"'
All jobs matching constraint (JobBatchName == "gwcelery") have been released
```

Note that there is normally **no need** to re-submit GWCelery if the machine is rebooted, because the jobs will persist in the HTCondor queue.

### 4.1 Shortcuts

The following commands are provided as shortcuts for the above operations:

```
$ gwcelery condor submit
$ gwcelery condor rm
$ gwcelery condor q
$ gwcelery condor hold
$ gwcelery condor release
```

The following command is a shortcut for `gwcelery condor rm`; `gwcelery condor submit`:

```
$ gwcelery condor resubmit
```

## 4.2 Managing multiple deployments

There should generally be at most one full deployment of GWCelery per GraceDB server running at one time. The `gwcelery condor` shortcut command is designed to protect you from accidentally starting multiple deployments of GWCelery by inspecting the HTCondor job queue before submitting new jobs. If you try to start GWCelery a second time on the same host in the same directory, you will get the following error message:

```
$ gwcelery condor submit
error: GWCelery jobs are already running in this directory.
You must first remove exist jobs with "gwcelery condor rm".
To see the status of those jobs, run "gwcelery condor q".
```

However, there are situations where you may actually want to run multiple instances of GWCelery on the same machine. For example, you may want to run one instance for the ‘production’ GraceDB server and one for the ‘playground’ server. To accomplish this, just start the two instances of `gwcelery` in different directories. Here is an example:

```
$ mkdir -p production
$ pushd production
$ CELERY_CONFIG_MODULE=gwcelery.conf.production gwcelery condor submit
$ popd
$ mkdir -p playground
$ pushd playground
$ CELERY_CONFIG_MODULE=gwcelery.conf.playground gwcelery condor submit
$ popd
```

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## Monitoring and Management

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GW Celery supports a rich selection of management and monitoring tools. Here is an introduction to a few of them. For more Celery monitoring solutions, see the [Celery monitoring and management guide](#).

### 5.1 Flower

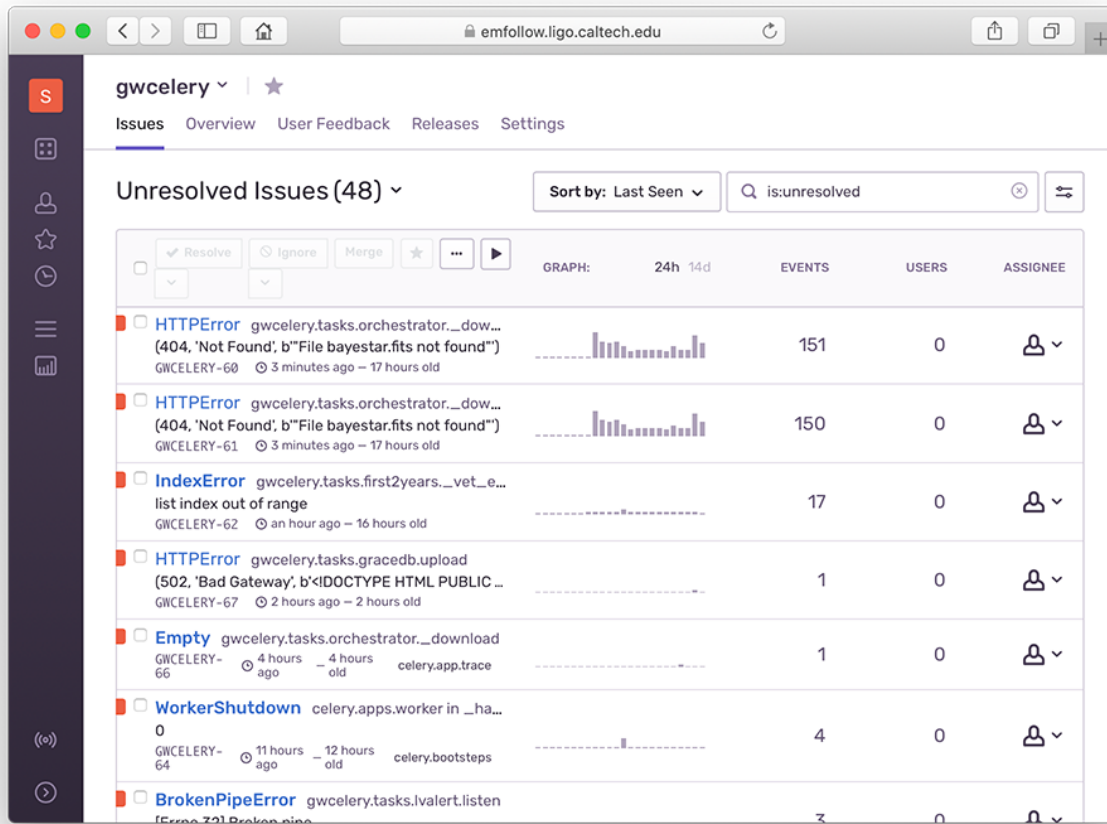
[Flower](#) is a dashboard for monitoring Celery tasks. To start Flower for monitoring during local development, run the following command and then navigate to <http://localhost:5555/> in your browser:

```
$ gwcelery flower
```

### 5.2 Sentry

All warnings, errors, exceptions, and tasks failures are both logged to disk and uploaded instantly to [Sentry](#), an error monitoring and reporting platform. The Sentry instance is installed [on premise](#) at Caltech. Sentry notifies GW Celery contributors by email when a new bug occurs.

For details about the Sentry logging configuration, see the [gwcelery.sentry](#) module or the [Celery integration module](#) in the Sentry SDK docs.



## 5.3 Flask

GWCelery includes a *Flask* web application that provides forms to manually initiate certain tasks.

To start Flask for monitoring during local development, run the following command and then navigate to <http://localhost:5000/> in your browser:

```
$ gwcclery flask run
```

## 5.4 Nagios

**Note:** The GWCelery Nagios plugin is tailored to GWCelery and is not sufficiently general to use with other Celery applications.

The [dashboard.ligo.org](http://dashboard.ligo.org) and [monitor.ligo.org](http://monitor.ligo.org) services use Nagios to monitor and report on the health of all of the components of the low-latency analysis infrastructure.

GWCelery provides the command `gwcclery nagios` to check the status of the application and provide a report in the format that Nagios expects.



You can run it manually from the command line:

```
$ gwcelery nagios
OK: GWCelery is running normally
```

To configure Nagios itself, see the [Nagios configuration overview](#), or if GWCelery and Nagios are running on different hosts, the [Nagios Remote Plugin Executor \(NRPE\) documentation](#).

## 5.5 Command-Line Tools

All Celery application provide [command-line monitoring and management utilities](#), including the following:

- `gwcelery shell`: Start an interactive Python or IPython interpreter for interacting with Celery. All tasks as well as the `app` application instance are automatically imported and available as globals. Example:

```
$ gwcelery shell
Python 3.6.6 (default, Jun 28 2018, 05:43:53)
Type 'copyright', 'credits' or 'license' for more information
IPython 6.5.0 -- An enhanced Interactive Python. Type '?' for help.

In [1]: download.s('coinc.xml', 'M6757').delay().get()
```

- `gwcelery call`: Call a task from the command line by passing it arguments in JSON format. The output is the unique identifier of the result. Example:

```
$ gwcelery call gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.download --args='["coinc.xml", "M6757"]'
d11099e7-75e5-4aa3-800b-b122b667757c
```

- `gwcelery result`: Get the result of a previously called task. Example:

```
$ gwcelery result ab4aa6d7-9f21-420c-8401-cbe6863cf7dc
(b'<?xml version=\'1.0\' encoding=\'utf-8\'?>\n<!DOCTYPE LIGO_LW SYSTEM "htt'
b'p://ldas-sw.ligo.caltech.edu/doc/ligolwAPI/html/ligolw_dtd.txt">\n<LIGO_L'
...
b'\t</Stream>\n\t</Table>\n</LIGO_LW>\n')
```

- `gwcelery events`: A text UI monitoring tool that offers functionality similar to Flower. Example:

```
$ gwcelery events
```

```

celery events 4.2.1 (windowlicker)

  UUID                                WORKER                                TASK                                TIME    STATE
  ----                                -
  34e0c7be-18b7-4378-98c4-6130d78a31d7  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.fits_header  02:28:20 SUCCESS
  aa9960ea-edb4-4879-a9de-eaab64cfd15  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.upload       02:28:20 STARTED
  5871398c-ec68-4b3d-b8fd-d3378851d5ae  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.plot_allsky  02:28:20 STARTED
  f9f66149-d35a-4dc8-b09f-a2403196acaf  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.annotate_fits_volume  02:28:20 SUCCESS
  b751ebc5-3758-4546-93e7-001a6c901ac3  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.orchestrator.handle_cbc_event  02:28:20 SUCCESS
  2382918c-321f-4398-a78d-3277ee10c5a  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.orchestrator.download  02:28:20 SUCCESS
  f55aa19d-3108-473e-9379-e481ab098660  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.upload       02:28:20 STARTED
  e6f8c1b9-80c5-4ea0-9787-edd58305ff84  celery@gwcelery-superevent-worker      gwcelery.tasks.superevents.handle    02:28:20 SUCCESS
  d620c02c-cd51-4641-a77e-d4a52608a60d  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.orchestrator.handle_cbc_event  02:28:19 SUCCESS
  28e591de-7b21-479e-8b54-0063f40e75c3  celery@gwcelery-superevent-worker      gwcelery.tasks.superevents.handle    02:28:19 SUCCESS
  7be64365-fbb7-4234-8130-baf866528097  celery@gwcelery-worker                gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.create_label  02:28:18 SUCCESS

Selected: args=('SKYMAP_READY', 'H324973') kwargs={} retries=0 result=None runtime=0.76 root_id=d5343836-893f-4aa7-865f-0e31624e08e0 parent_id=b0f4c4e3-2ec9-4b13-ac5e-af5c4c14d9f0
Workers online: celery@gwcelery-xttrig-worker, celery@gwcelery-openmp-worker, celery@gwcelery-superevent-worker, celery@gwcelery-worker
Info: events: 2077 tasks: 629 workers: 4/4
Keys: j:down k:up i:info t:traceback r:result c:revoke ^c: quit

```

Celery application initialization.

```
gwcelery.app = <Celery gwcelery>
```

Celery application object.

## 6.1 gwcelery.conf module

GWCelery application configuration.

This module defines configuration variables and default values, including both [generic options for Celery](#) as well as options that control the behavior of specific GWCelery tasks.

To override the configuration, define the `CELERY_CONFIG_MODULE` environment variable to the fully qualified name of any Python module that can be located in `sys.path`, including any of the following presets:

- `gwcelery.conf.development`
- `gwcelery.conf.playground` (the default)
- `gwcelery.conf.production`
- `gwcelery.conf.test`

```
gwcelery.conf.lvalert_host = 'lvalert-playground.cgca.uwm.edu'
```

LVAAlert host.

```
gwcelery.conf.gracedb_host = 'gracedb-playground.ligo.org'
```

GraceDB host.

```
gwcelery.conf.voevent_broadcaster_address = ':5342'
```

The VOEvent broker will bind to this address to send GCNs. This should be a string of the form *host:port*. If *host* is empty, then listen on all available interfaces.

```
gwcelery.conf.voevent_broadcaster_whitelist = []
```

List of hosts from which the broker will accept connections. If empty, then completely disable the broker's broadcast capability.

`gwcelery.conf.voevent_receiver_address = ''`

The VOEvent listener will connect to this address to receive GCNs. For options, see [GCN's list of available VOEvent servers](#). If this is an empty string, then completely disable the GCN listener.

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_d_t_start = {'gstlal': 1.0, 'mbtaonline': 1.0, 'pycbc': 1.0, 'sp': 1.0}`

Pipeline based lower extent of superevent segments. For cwb and lib this is decided from extra attributes.

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_d_t_end = {'gstlal': 1.0, 'mbtaonline': 1.0, 'pycbc': 1.0, 'sp': 1.0}`

Pipeline based upper extent of superevent segments For cwb and lib this is decided from extra attributes.

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_query_d_t_start = 100.0`

Lower extent of superevents query

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_query_d_t_end = 100.0`

Upper extent of superevents query

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_default_d_t_start = 1.0`

Default lower extent of superevent segments

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_default_d_t_end = 1.0`

Default upper extent for superevent segments

`gwcelery.conf.superevent_far_threshold = 0.00027777777777777778`

Maximum false alarm rate to consider events superevents.

`gwcelery.conf.preliminary_alert_far_threshold = {'burst': 3.1709791983764586e-08, 'cbc': 1.0}`

Group specific maximum false alarm rate to consider sending preliminary alerts.

`gwcelery.conf.preliminary_alert_trials_factor = {'burst': 4.0, 'cbc': 5.0}`

Trials factor corresponding to trigger categories. For CBC and Burst, trials factor is the number of pipelines. CBC pipelines are `gstlal`, `pycbc`, `mbtaonline`, `spiiir-highmass`, `spiiir-lowmass`. Burst searches are `cwb.allsky`, `cwb.bbh`, `cwb.imbh` and `olib.allsky`.

`gwcelery.conf.orchestrator_timeout = 300.0`

The orchestrator will wait this many seconds from the time of the creation of a new superevent to the time that annotations begin, in order to let the superevent manager's decision on the preferred event stabilize.

`gwcelery.conf.pe_timeout = 345.0`

The orchestrator will wait this many seconds from the time of the creation of a new superevent to the time that parameter estimation begins, in case the preferred event is updated with high latency.

`gwcelery.conf.check_vector_prepost = {'CWB': [0.5, 0.5], 'Fermi': [2, 2], 'HardwareInjection': [2, 2]}`

Seconds before and after the superevent start and end times which the DQ vector check will include in its check. Pipeline dependent.

`gwcelery.conf.uses_gatedhoft = {'CWB': True, 'Fermi': False, 'HardwareInjection': False}`

Whether or not a pipeline uses gated  $h(t)$ . Determines whether or not the DMT-DQ\_VECTOR will be analyzed for data quality.

`gwcelery.conf.llhoft_glob = '/dev/shm/kafka/{detector}_O2/*.gwf'`

File glob for playground low-latency  $h(t)$  frames. Currently points to O2 replay data.

`gwcelery.conf.llhoft_channels = {'H1:DMT-DQ_VECTOR': 'dmt_dq_vector_bits', 'H1:GDS-CALIB_STATE': 'gds_calib_state'}`

Low-latency  $h(t)$  state vector configuration. This is a dictionary consisting of a channel and its bitmask, as defined in [gwcelery.tasks.detchar](#).

`gwcelery.conf.idq_channels = ['H1:IDQ-PGLITCH_OVL_16_4096', 'L1:IDQ-PGLITCH_OVL_16_4096']`

Low-latency iDQ p(glitch) channel names

`gwcelery.conf.idq_pglitch_thresh = 0.95`

If P(Glitch) is above this threshold, and [idq\\_veto](#) for the pipeline is true, DQV will be labeled for the event.

`gwcelery.conf.idq_veto = {'CWB': False, 'Fermi': False, 'HardwareInjection': False, 'LIB`  
 If true for a pipeline, iDQ values above the threshold defined in `thres` will cause DQV to be labeled. Currently  
 all False, pending iDQ review (should be done before O3).

`gwcelery.conf.p_astro_livetime = 14394240`  
 sec) corresponding to mean values of Poisson counts. (Used by `gwcelery.tasks.p_astro_other`)

**Type** livetime (units)

`gwcelery.conf.p_astro_url = 'http://emfollow.ldas.cit/data/H1L1V1-mean_counts-1126051217-6`  
 URL for mean values of Poisson counts using which `p_astro` is computed. (Used by `gwcelery.tasks`.  
`p_astro_gstlal` and `gwcelery.tasks.p_astro_other`)

`gwcelery.conf.p_astro_weights_url = 'http://emfollow.ldas.cit/data/H1L1V1-weights-bins_686`  
 URL for template weights using which `p_astro` is computed. (Used by `gwcelery.tasks`.  
`p_astro_gstlal`)

`gwcelery.conf.p_astro_thresh_url = 'http://emfollow.ldas.cit/data/H1L1V1-pipeline-far_snr-t`  
 URL for pipeline thresholds on FAR and SNR. (Used by `gwcelery.tasks.p_astro_other`)

`gwcelery.conf.em_bright_url = 'http://emfollow.ldas.cit/data/em_bright_classifier.pickle'`  
 URL for trained RandomForestClassifier based on which `em_bright` classification is conducted. (Used by  
`gwcelery.tasks.em_bright`)

`gwcelery.conf.low_latency_frame_types = {'H1': 'H1_O2_11hoft', 'L1': 'L1_O2_11hoft', 'V1`  
 Types of low latency frames used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference (see `gwcelery.tasks`.  
`lalinference`) and in cache creation for detchar checks (see `gwcelery.tasks.detchar`).

`gwcelery.conf.high_latency_frame_types = {'H1': None, 'L1': None, 'V1': None}`  
 Types of high latency frames used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference and in cache creation for detchar  
 checks. They do not exist for O2Replay data. (see `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference` and `gwcelery`.  
`tasks.detchar`)

`gwcelery.conf.strain_channel_names = {'H1': 'H1:GDS-CALIB_STRAIN_O2Replay', 'L1': 'L1:GDS`  
 Names of h(t) channels used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference (see `gwcelery.tasks`.  
`lalinference`)

`gwcelery.conf.state_vector_channel_names = {'H1': 'H1:GDS-CALIB_STATE_VECTOR', 'L1': 'L1`  
 Names of state vector channels used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference (see `gwcelery.tasks`.  
`lalinference`)

`gwcelery.conf.pe_threshold = 4.133597883597884e-07`  
 FAR threshold in Hz for Parameter Estimation. PE group now applies 1/(4 weeks) as a threshold. 86400 seconds  
 = 1 day and 28 days = 4 weeks.

`gwcelery.conf.pe_results_path = '/home/docs/public_html/online_pe'`  
 Path to the results of Parameter Estimation (see `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference`)

`gwcelery.conf.pe_results_url = 'https://ldas-jobs.ligo.caltech.edu/~docs/online_pe/'`  
 URL of page where all the results of Parameter Estimation are outputted (see `gwcelery.tasks`.  
`lalinference`)

## 6.1.1 gwcelery.conf.development module

Application configuration for `gracedb-dev1.ligo.org`. Inherits all settings from `gwcelery.conf.test`,  
 with the exceptions below.

`gwcelery.conf.development.gracedb_host = 'gracedb-dev1.ligo.org'`  
 GraceDB host.

`gwcclery.conf.development.sentry_environment = 'development'`  
 Record this *environment tag* <<https://docs.sentry.io/enriching-error-data/environments/>> in Sentry log messages.

## 6.1.2 gwcclery.conf.playground module

Application configuration for `gracedb-playground.ligo.org`.

`gwcclery.conf.playground.voevent_receiver_address = '45.58.43.186:8099'`  
 The VOEvent listener will connect to this address to receive GCNs. For options, see [GCN's list of available VOEvent servers](#). If this is an empty string, then completely disable the GCN listener.

`gwcclery.conf.playground.sentry_environment = 'playground'`  
 Record this *environment tag* <<https://docs.sentry.io/enriching-error-data/environments/>> in Sentry log messages.

## 6.1.3 gwcclery.conf.production module

Application configuration for `gracedb.ligo.org`. Inherits all settings from `gwcclery.conf.playground`, with the exceptions below.

`gwcclery.conf.production.lvalert_host = 'lvalert.cgca.uwm.edu'`  
 LVAAlert host.

`gwcclery.conf.production.gracedb_host = 'gracedb.ligo.org'`  
 GraceDB host.

`gwcclery.conf.production.voevent_broadcaster_address = ':5341'`  
 The VOEvent broker will bind to this address to send GCNs. This should be a string of the form *host:port*. If *host* is empty, then listen on all available interfaces.

`gwcclery.conf.production.voevent_broadcaster_whitelist = ['capella2.gsfc.nasa.gov']`  
 List of hosts from which the broker will accept connections. If empty, then completely disable the broker's broadcast capability.

`gwcclery.conf.production.voevent_receiver_address = '68.169.57.253:8099'`  
 The VOEvent listener will connect to this address to receive GCNs. For options, see [GCN's list of available VOEvent servers](#). If this is an empty string, then completely disable the GCN listener.

`gwcclery.conf.production.llhoft_glob = '/dev/shm/kafka/{detector}/*.gwf'`  
 File glob for low-latency h(t) frames.

`gwcclery.conf.production.low_latency_frame_types = {'H1': 'H1_llhoft', 'L1': 'L1_llhoft'}`  
 Types of frames used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference (see `gwcclery.tasks.lalinference`) and in cache creation for detchar checks (see `gwcclery.tasks.detchar`).

`gwcclery.conf.production.high_latency_frame_types = {'H1': 'H1_HOFT_C00', 'L1': 'L1_HOFT_C00'}`  
 Types of high latency frames used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference (see `gwcclery.tasks.lalinference`) and in cache creation for detchar checks (see `gwcclery.tasks.detchar`).

`gwcclery.conf.production.strain_channel_names = {'H1': 'H1:GDS-CALIB_STRAIN_CLEAN', 'L1': 'L1:GDS-CALIB_STRAIN_CLEAN'}`  
 Names of h(t) channels used in Parameter Estimation with LALInference (see `gwcclery.tasks.lalinference`).

`gwcclery.conf.production.sentry_environment = 'production'`  
 Record this *environment tag* <<https://docs.sentry.io/enriching-error-data/environments/>> in Sentry log messages.

## 6.1.4 gwcelery.conf.test module

Application configuration for `gracedb-test.ligo.org`. Inherits all settings from `gwcelery.conf.playground`, with the exceptions below.

`gwcelery.conf.test.lvalert_host = 'lvalert-test.cgca.uwm.edu'`  
LVAAlert host.

`gwcelery.conf.test.gracedb_host = 'gracedb-test.ligo.org'`  
GraceDB host.

`gwcelery.conf.test.sentry_environment = 'test'`  
Record this *environment tag* `<https://docs.sentry.io/enriching-error-data/environments/>` in Sentry log messages.

## 6.2 gwcelery.sentry module

Integration of the Celery logging system with [Sentry](#).

`gwcelery.sentry.DSN = 'https://sentry.io/1425216'`  
Sentry data source name (DSN).

`gwcelery.sentry.configure()`  
Configure Sentry logging integration for Celery according to the [official instructions](#).  
Add the API key username/password pair to your `netrc` file.

## 6.3 gwcelery.tasks module

### 6.3.1 gwcelery.tasks.bayestar module

Rapid sky localization with [BAYESTAR](#).

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.bayestar.localize` (*coinc\_psd*, *graceid*, *filename='bayestar.fits.gz'*, *disabled\_detectors=None*)  
Generate a rapid sky localization using [BAYESTAR](#).

#### Parameters

- **coinc\_psd** (*tuple*) – Tuple consisting of the byte contents of the input event's `coinc.xml` and `psd.xml.gz` files.
- **graceid** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID, used for FITS metadata and recording log messages to GraceDB.
- **filename** (*str*, *optional*) – The name of the FITS file.
- **disabled\_detectors** (*list*, *optional*) – List of detectors to disable.

**Returns** The byte contents of the finished FITS file.

**Return type** `bytes`

## Notes

This task is adapted from the command-line tool `bayestar-localize-lvalert`.

It should execute in a special queue for computationally intensive, multithreaded, OpenMP tasks.

### 6.3.2 gwcelery.tasks.circulars module

Generate and upload automated circulars.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.circulars.create_initial_circular(graceid)`  
 Create and return circular txt.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.circulars.create_emcoinc_circular(graceid)`  
 Create and return the em\_coinc circular txt.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.circulars.create_retraction_circular(graceid)`  
 Create and return retraction circular txt.

### 6.3.3 gwcelery.tasks.condor module

Submit and monitor HTCondor jobs<sup>1</sup>.

## Notes

Internally, we use the XML condor log format<sup>2</sup> for easier parsing.

## References

**exception** `gwcelery.tasks.condor.JobAborted`

Bases: `Exception`

Raised if an HTCondor job was aborted (e.g. by `condor_rm`).

**exception** `gwcelery.tasks.condor.JobRunning`

Bases: `Exception`

Raised if an HTCondor job is still running.

**exception** `gwcelery.tasks.condor.JobFailed(returncode, cmd, output=None, stderr=None)`

Bases: `subprocess.CalledProcessError`

Raised if an HTCondor job fails.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.condor.submit(submit_file, log=None)`

Submit a job using HTCondor.

#### Parameters

- **submit\_file** (*str*) – Path of the submit file.
- **log** (*str*) – Used internally to track job state. Caller should not set.

#### Raises

- *JobAborted* – If the job was aborted (e.g. by running `condor_rm`).

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<sup>1</sup> [http://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/manual/latest/condor\\_submit.html](http://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/manual/latest/condor_submit.html)

<sup>2</sup> <http://research.cs.wisc.edu/htcondor/classad/refman/node3.html>



- *JobFailed* – If the job terminates and returns a nonzero exit code.
- *JobRunning* – If the job is still running. Causes the task to be re-queued until the job is complete.

### Example

```
>>> submit.s('example.sub',
...          accounting_group='ligo.dev.o3.cbc.explore.test')
```

**(task)** `gwcclery.tasks.condor.check_output` (*args*, *log=None*, *error=None*, *output=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)

Call a process using HTCondor.

Call an external process using HTCondor, in a manner patterned after `subprocess.check_output()`. If successful, returns its output on stdout. On failure, raise an exception.

#### Parameters

- **args** (*list*) – Command line arguments, as if passed to `subprocess.check_call()`.
- **error**, **output** (*log*,) – Used internally to track job state. Caller should not set.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Extra submit description file commands. See the documentation for `condor_submit` for possible values.

**Returns** Captured output from command.

**Return type** `str`

#### Raises

- *JobAborted* – If the job was aborted (e.g. by running `condor_rm`).
- *JobFailed* – If the job terminates and returns a nonzero exit code.
- *JobRunning* – If the job is still running. Causes the task to be re-queued until the job is complete.

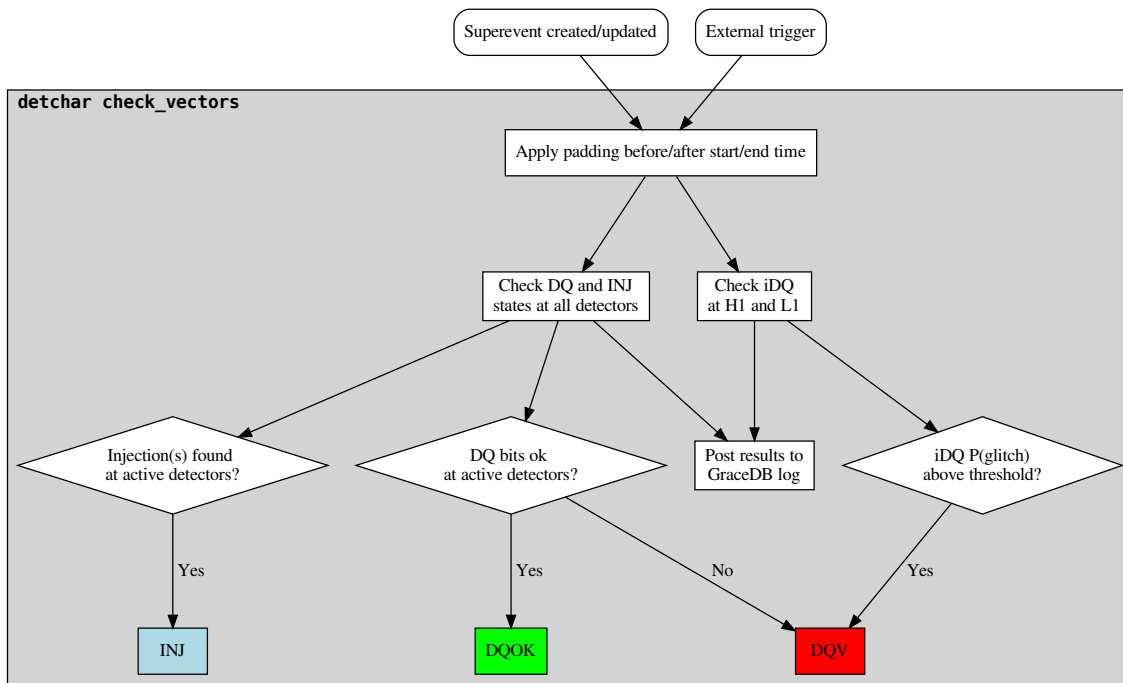
### Example

```
>>> check_output.s(['sleep', '10'],
...                 accounting_group='ligo.dev.o3.cbc.explore.test')
```

## 6.3.4 gwcclery.tasks.detchar module

### Flow Chart

The flow chart below shows the decision process for the application of DQOK and DQV labels.



Data quality and detector characterization tasks.

These tasks are mostly focused on checking interferometer state vectors. By design, the [LIGO] and [Virgo] state vectors share the same definitions for the first 8 fields.

LIGO also has a [DMT] DQ vector that provides some additional instrumental checks.

## References

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.dmt_dq_vector_bits`  
DMT DQ vector bits (LIGO only).

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.ligo_state_vector_bits`  
State vector bitfield definitions for LIGO.

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.virgo_state_vector_bits`  
State vector bitfield definitions for Virgo.

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.create_cache(ifo, start, end)`  
Find .gwf files and create cache. Will first look in the llhoft, and if the frames have expired from llhoft, will call gwdatafind.

### Parameters

- **ifo** (*str*) – Interferometer name (e.g. H1).
- **end** (*start,*) – GPS start and end times desired.

### Returns

**Return type** `glue.lal.Cache`

### Example

```
>>> create_cache('H1', 1198800018, 1198800618)
[<glue.lal.CacheEntry at 0x7fbae6b71278>,
 <glue.lal.CacheEntry at 0x7fbae6ae5b38>,
 <glue.lal.CacheEntry at 0x7fbae6ae5c50>,
 ...
 <glue.lal.CacheEntry at 0x7fbae6b15080>,
 <glue.lal.CacheEntry at 0x7fbae6b15828>]
```

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.generate_table(title, high_bit_list, low_bit_list, unknown_bit_list)`

Make a nice table which shows the status of the bits checked.

#### Parameters

- **title** (*str*) – Title of the table.
- **high\_bit\_list** (*list*) – List of bit names which are high.
- **low\_bit\_list** (*list*) – List of bit names which are low.
- **unknown\_bit\_list** (*list*) – List of bit names which are unknown.

**Returns** HTML string of the table.

**Return type** *str*

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.dqr_json(state, summary)`

Generate DQR-compatible json-ready dictionary from process results, as described in `data-quality-report.design`.

#### Parameters

- **state** (`{ 'pass', 'fail' }`) – State of the detchar checks.
- **summary** (*str*) – Summary of results from the process.

**Returns** Ready to be converted into json.

**Return type** *dict*

`gwcelery.tasks.detchar.check_idq(cache, channel, start, end)`

Looks for iDQ frame and reads them.

#### Parameters

- **cache** (`glue.lal.Cache`) – Cache from which to check.
- **channel** (*str*) – which idq channel (pglitch)
- **end** (*start*,) – GPS start and end times desired.

**Returns** Tuple mapping iDQ channel to its maximum P(glitch).

**Return type** *tuple*

### Example

```
>>> check_idq(cache, 'H1:IDQ-PGLITCH-OVL-100-1000',
               1216496260, 1216496262)
('H1:IDQ-PGLITCH-OVL-100-1000', 0.87)
```

`gwcclery.tasks.detchar.check_vector(cache, channel, start, end, bits, logic_type='all')`

Check timeseries of decimals against a bitmask. This is inclusive of the start time and exclusive of the end time, i.e. [start, ..., end).

#### Parameters

- **cache** (`glue.lal.Cache`) – Cache from which to check.
- **channel** (`str`) – Channel to look at, e.g. `H1:DMT-DQ_VECTOR`.
- **end** (`start,`) – GPS start and end times desired.
- **bits** (`gwpv.TimeSeries.Bits`) – Definitions of the bits in the channel.
- **logic\_type** (`str, optional`) – Type of logic to apply for vetoing. If `all`, then all samples in the window must pass the bitmask. If `any`, then one or more samples in the window must pass.

**Returns** Maps each bit in channel to its state.

**Return type** `dict`

#### Example

```
>>> check_vector(cache, 'H1:GDS-CALIB_STATE_VECTOR', 1216496260,
                  1216496262, ligo_state_vector_bits)
{'H1:HOFTH_OK': True,
 'H1:OBSERVATION_INTENT': True,
 'H1:NO_STOCH_HW_INJ': True,
 'H1:NO_CBC_HW_INJ': True,
 'H1:NO_BURST_HW_INJ': True,
 'H1:NO_DETCHAR_HW_INJ': True}
```

**(task)** `gwcclery.tasks.detchar.check_vectors(event, graceid, start, end)`

Perform data quality checks for an event and labels/logs results to GraceDB.

Depending on the pipeline, a certain amount of time (specified in `check_vector_prepost`) is appended to either side of the superevent start and end time. This is to catch DQ issues slightly before and after the event, such as that appearing in L1 just before GW170817.

A cache is then created for H1, L1, and V1, regardless of the detectors involved in the event. Then, the bits and channels specified in the configuration file (`llhfft_channels`) are checked. If an injection is found in the active detectors, 'INJ' is labeled to GraceDB. If an injection is found in any detector, a message with the injection found is logged to GraceDB. If no injections are found across all detectors, this is logged to GraceDB.

A similar task is performed for the DQ states described in the `DMT-DQ_VECTOR`, `LIGO GDS-CALIB_STATE_VECTOR`, and `Virgo DQ_ANALYSIS_STATE_VECTOR`. If no DQ issues are found in active detectors, 'DQOK' is labeled to GraceDB. Otherwise, 'DQV' is labeled. In all cases, the DQ states of all the state vectors checked are logged to GraceDB.

This skips MDC events.

#### Parameters

- **event** (`dict`) – Details of event.
- **graceid** (`str`) – GraceID of event to which to log.
- **end** (`start,`) – GPS start and end times desired.

**Returns** `event` – Details of the event, reflecting any labels that were added.

**Return type** `dict`

### 6.3.5 gwcelery.tasks.em\_bright module

Qualitative source classification for CBC events.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.em_bright.classifier_other` (*args*, *graceid*)

Returns the boolean probability of having a NS component and the probability of having non-zero disk mass. This method is used for pipelines that do not provide the data products necessary for computation of the source properties probabilities.

**Parameters**

- **args** (*tuple*) – Tuple containing (m1, m2, spin1z, spin2z, snr)
- **graceid** (*str*) – The graceid of the event

**Returns** JSON formatted string storing HasNS and HasRemnant probabilities

**Return type** `str`

#### Example

```
>>> em_bright.classifier_other((2.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 10.), 'S123456')
'{"HasNS": 1.0, "HasRemnant": 1.0}'
```

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.em_bright.classifier_gstlal` (*args*, *graceid*)

Returns the probability of having a NS component and the probability of having non-zero disk mass in the detected event. This method will be using the data products obtained from the weekly supervised learning runs for injections campaigns. The data products are in pickle formatted RandomForestClassifier objects. The method `predict_proba` of these objects provides us the probabilities of the coalescence being EM-Bright and existence of neutron star in the binary.

**Parameters**

- **args** (*tuple*) – Tuple containing (m1, m2, spin1z, spin2z, snr)
- **graceid** (*str*) – The graceid of the event

**Returns** JSON formatted string storing HasNS and HasRemnant probabilities

**Return type** `str`

#### Notes

This task would only work from within the CIT cluster.

### 6.3.6 gwcelery.tasks.external\_triggers module

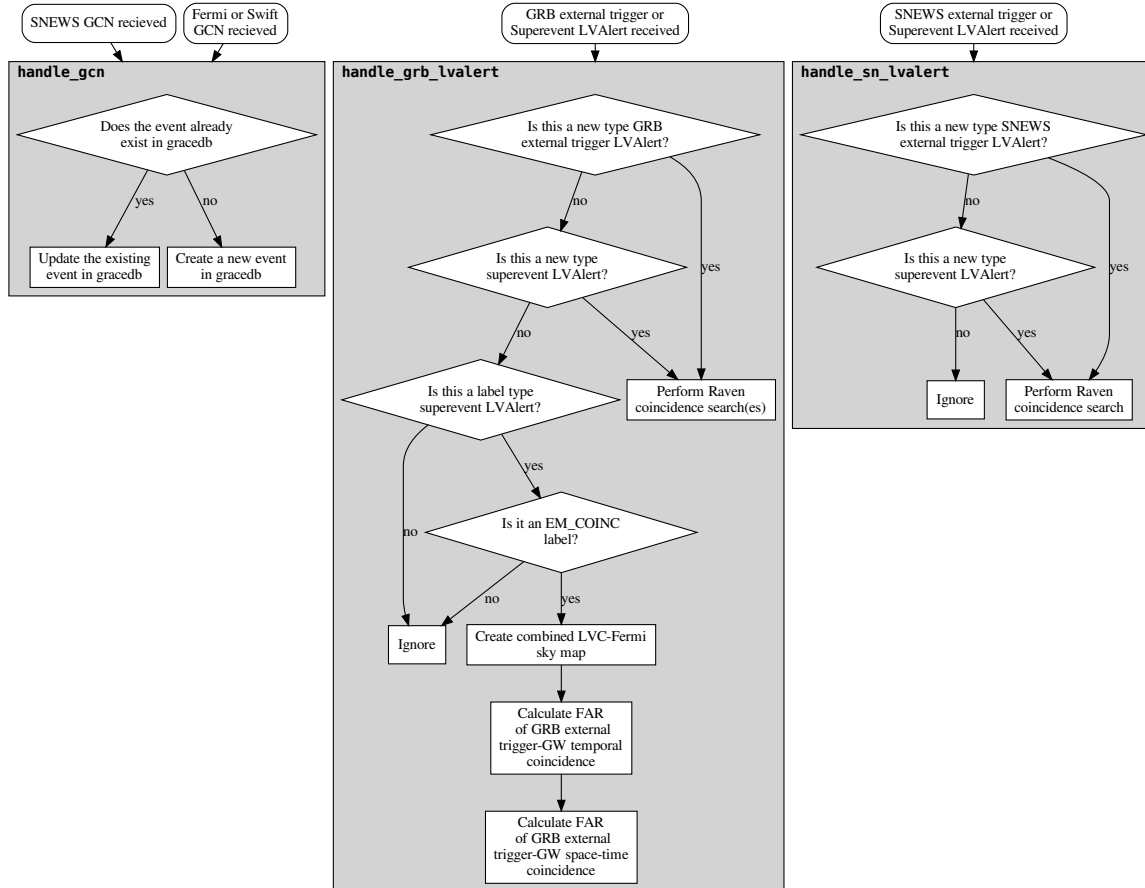
This module listens to the *GCNs* from SNEWS and the Fermi and Swift missions. It is also responsible for carrying out tasks related to external trigger-gravitational wave coincidences, including looking for temporal coincidences, creating combined GRB-GW sky localization probability maps, and computing their joint temporal and spatio-temporal false alarm rates.

There are two GCN and two LVAAlert message handlers in the `~gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers` module:

- `handle_sn_gcn()` is called for each SNEWS GCN.
- `handle_grb_gcn()` is called for each Fermi and Swift GCN.
- `handle_sn_lvalert()` is called for each SNEWS external trigger and superevent LVAAlert.

- `handle_grb_lvalert()` is called for each Fermi and Swift external trigger and superevent LVALert.

## Flow Chart



## Tasks

- (task)** `gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers.handle_snews_gcn(payload)`  
 Handles the payload from SNEWS alerts. Prepares the alert to be sent to graceDB as 'E' events.
- (task)** `gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers.handle_grb_gcn(payload)`  
 Handles the payload from Fermi and Swift alerts. Prepares the alert to be sent to graceDB as 'E' events.
- (task)** `gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers.handle_grb_lvalert(alert)`  
 Parse an LVALert message related to superevents/GRB external triggers and dispatch it to other tasks.

## Notes

This LVALert message handler is triggered by creating a new superevent or GRB external trigger event, or applying the EM\_COINC label to any superevent:

- Any new event triggers a coincidence search with `gwcelery.tasks.raven.coincidence_search()`.
- The EM\_COINC label triggers the creation of a combined GW-GRB sky map using `gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.create_combined_skymap()`.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers.handle_snews_lvalert(alert)`

Parse an LVAAlert message related to superevents/SN external triggers and dispatch it to other tasks.

### Notes

This LVAAlert message handler is triggered by creating a new superevent or SN external trigger event, or applying the EM\_COINC label to any superevent:

- Any new event triggers a coincidence search with `gwcelery.tasks.raven.coincidence_search()`.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.external_triggers.handle_emcoinc_lvalert(alert)`

Parse an LVAAlert message related to EM\_COINC label application and upload circular. We need a separate handler to prevent doubles from occurring by adding the task to both the `handle_snews_lvalert` and `handle_grb_lvalert` handlers.

### Notes

This LVAAlert message handler is triggered by applying the EM\_COINC label to any superevent:

- Any EM\_COINC label application triggers `gwcelery.tasks.circulars.create_emcoinc_circular()`.

## 6.3.7 gwcelery.tasks.first2years module

Create mock events from the “First Two Years” paper.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.first2years.pick_coinc`

Pick a coincidence from the “First Two Years” paper.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.first2years._vet_event(superevents)`

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.first2years.upload_event`

Upload a random event from the “First Two Years” paper.

After 2 minutes, randomly either retract or confirm the event to send a retraction or initial notice respectively.

## 6.3.8 gwcelery.tasks.ligo\_fermi\_skymaps module

Create and upload LVC-Fermi sky maps.

`gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.create_combined_skymap(graceid)`

Creates and uploads the combined LVC-Fermi skymap. This also uploads the external trigger skymap to the external trigger GraceDB page.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.get_preferred_skymap(graceid)`

Get the LVC skymap fits filename. If not available, will try again 10 seconds later, then 20, then 40, etc. until up to 10 minutes after initial attempt.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.combine_skymaps` (*skymap1filebytes*, *skymap2filebytes*)

This task combines the two input skymaps, in this case the external trigger skymap and the LVC skymap and writes to a temporary output file. It then returns the contents of the file as a byte array.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.external_trigger` (*graceid*)

Returns the associated external trigger GraceDB ID.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.external_trigger_heasarc` (*external\_id*)

Returns the HEASARC fits file link

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.ligo_fermi_skymaps.get_external_skymap` (*heasarc\_link*)

Download the Fermi sky map fits file and return the contents as a byte array. If not available, will try again 10 seconds later, then 20, then 40, etc. until up to 10 minutes after initial attempt.

### 6.3.9 gwcelery.tasks.gcn module

Tasks for sending, receiving, and processing Gamma-ray Coordinates Network [GCN] notices.

#### References

`gwcelery.tasks.gcn.handler = {<sphinx.ext.autodoc.importer._MockObject object>: [<@task: Function decorator to register a handler callback for specified GCN notice types. The decorated function is turned into a Celery task, which will be automatically called whenever a matching GCN notice is received.`

#### Parameters

- **\*keys** – List of GCN notice types to accept
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional keyword arguments for `celery.Celery.task()`.

#### Examples

Declare a new handler like this:

```
@gcn.handler(gcn.NoticeType.FERMI_GBM_GND_POS,
              gcn.NoticeType.FERMI_GBM_FIN_POS)
def handle_fermi(payload):
    root = lxml.etree.fromstring(payload)
    # do work here...
```

**exception** `gwcelery.tasks.gcn.SendingError`

Bases: `RuntimeError`

A generic error associated with sending VOEvents.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gcn.send` (*message*)

Send a VOEvent to GCN.

This task will be retried several times if the VOEvent cannot be sent. See the Raises section below for circumstances that cause a retry.

**Parameters** *message* (*bytes*) – The raw VOEvent file contents.

**Raises** `SendingError` – If the VOEvent could not be sent because there were no network peers connected to the VOEvent broadcaster.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gcn.validate` (*payload*)

Check that the contents of a public LIGO/Virgo GCN matches the original VOEvent in GraceDB.



## Notes

If the VOEvent broadcaster is disabled by setting `voevent_broadcaster_whitelist` to an empty list, then this task becomes a no-op.

### 6.3.10 gwcelery.tasks.gracedb module

Communication with GraceDB.

**class** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**RetryableHTTPError** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Bases: sphinx.ext.autodoc.importer.\_MockObject

Exception class for server-side HTTP errors that we should retry.

gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**catch\_retryable\_http\_errors** (f)

Decorator to capture server-side errors that we should retry.

We retry HTTP status 502 (Bad Gateway), 503 (Service Unavailable), and 504 (Gateway Timeout).

gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**task** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**create\_event** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create an event in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**create\_label** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create a label in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**remove\_label** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create a label in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**create\_signoff** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create a label in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**create\_tag** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create a tag in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**create\_voevent** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Create a VOEvent.

**Returns** The filename of the new VOEvent.

**Return type** str

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**download** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Download a file from GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**expose** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Expose an event to the public.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**get\_events** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Get events from GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**get\_event** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Retrieve an event from GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**get\_labels** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Get all labels for an event in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**get\_log** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Get all log messages for an event in GraceDB.

**(task)** gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.**get\_superevent** (\*args, \*\*kwargs)

Retrieve a superevent from GraceDB.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.replace_event(*args, **kwargs)`  
 Get an event from GraceDB.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.upload(*args, **kwargs)`  
 Upload a file to GraceDB.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.get_superevents(*args, **kwargs)`  
 List matching superevents in gracedb.

**Parameters**

- **\*args** – arguments passed to `GraceDb.superevents()`
- **\*\*kwargs** – keyword arguments passed to `GraceDb.superevents()`

**Returns** `superevents` – The list of the superevents.

**Return type** `list`

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.update_superevent(*args, **kwargs)`  
 Update superevent information. Wrapper around `updateSuperevent()`

**Parameters**

- **superevent\_id** (`str`) – superevent uid
- **t\_start** (`float`) – start of superevent time window, unchanged if None
- **t\_end** (`float`) – end of superevent time window, unchanged if None
- **t\_0** (`float`) – superevent `t_0`, unchanged if None
- **preferred\_event** (`str`) – uid of the preferred event, unchanged if None

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.create_superevent(*args, **kwargs)`  
 Create new superevent in GraceDB with *graceid*

**Parameters**

- **graceid** (`str`) – graceid with which superevent is created.
- **t0** (`float`) – `t_0` parameter of superevent
- **t\_start** (`float`) – `t_start` parameter of superevent
- **t\_end** (`float`) – `t_end` parameter of superevent
- **category** (`str`) – superevent category

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.add_event_to_superevent(*args, **kwargs)`  
 Add an event to a superevent in GraceDB.

### 6.3.11 gwcelery.tasks.lalinference module

Source Parameter Estimation with LALInference.

**exception** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.NotEnoughData`  
 Bases: `Exception`

Raised if found data is not enough due to the latency of data transfer

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.query_data(trigtime)`  
 Continues to query data until it is found with `gwdatafind` and return frametypes for the data. If data is not found in 86400 seconds = 1 day, raise `NotEnoughData`.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.upload_no_frame_files` (*request, exc, traceback, superevent\_id*)

Upload notification when no frame files are found.

#### Parameters

- **request** (*Context (placeholder)*) – Task request variables
- **exc** (*Exception*) – Exception raised by condor.submit
- **traceback** (*str (placeholder)*) – Traceback message from a task
- **superevent\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target superevent

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.prepare_ini` (*frametype\_dict, event, superevent\_id=None*)

Determine an appropriate PE settings for the target event and return ini file content

`gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.pre_pe_tasks` (*event, superevent\_id*)

Return canvas of tasks executed before parameter estimation starts

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.dag_prepare` (*coinc\_psd, ini\_contents, rundir, superevent\_id*)

Create a Condor DAG to run LALInference on a given event.

#### Parameters

- **coinc\_psd** (*tuple*) – The tuple of the byte contents of `coinc.xml` and `psd.xml.gz`
- **ini\_contents** (*str*) – The content of `online_pe.ini`
- **rundir** (*str*) – The path to a run directory where the DAG file exits
- **superevent\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target superevent

**Returns** `submit_file` – The path to the `.sub` file

**Return type** `str`

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.job_error_notification` (*request, exc, traceback, superevent\_id, rundir*)

Upload notification when condor.submit terminates unexpectedly.

#### Parameters

- **request** (*Context (placeholder)*) – Task request variables
- **exc** (*Exception*) – Exception raised by condor.submit
- **traceback** (*str (placeholder)*) – Traceback message from a task
- **superevent\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target superevent
- **rundir** (*str*) – The run directory for PE

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference._upload_url` (*pe\_results\_path, graceid*)

Upload url of a page containing all of the plots.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference._get_result_contents` (*pe\_results\_path, filename*)

Return the contents of a PE results file by reading it from the local filesystem.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.clean_up` (*rundir*)

Clean up a run directory.

**Parameters** **rundir** (*str*) – The path to a run directory where the DAG file exits

`gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.dag_finished` (*rundir, preferred\_event\_id, superevent\_id*)

Upload PE results and clean up run directory

#### Parameters

- **rundir** (*str*) – The path to a run directory where the DAG file exits
- **preferred\_event\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target preferred event
- **superevent\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target superevent

**Returns** `tasks` – The work-flow for uploading PE results

**Return type** `canvas`

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference._download_psd(gid)`

Download `psd.xml.gz` and return its content. If that file does not exist, return `None`.

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference.start_pe(ini_contents, preferred_event_id, superevent_id)`

Run LALInference on a given event.

#### Parameters

- **ini\_contents** (*str*) – The content of `online_pe.ini`
- **preferred\_event\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target preferred event
- **superevent\_id** (*str*) – The GraceDB ID of a target superevent

### 6.3.12 gwcelery.tasks.lvalert module

LVAlert client.

`gwcelery.tasks.lvalert.handler = {'external_fermi': [<@task: gwcelery.tasks.external_tri`

Function decorator to register a handler callback for specified LVAlert message types. The decorated function is turned into a Celery task, which will be automatically called whenever a matching LVAlert message is received.

#### Parameters

- **\*keys** – List of LVAlert message types to accept
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional keyword arguments for `celery.Celery.task()`.

#### Examples

Declare a new handler like this:

```
@lvalert.handler('cbc_gstlal',
                 'cbc_spiir',
                 'cbc_pycbc',
                 'cbc_mbttaonline')
def handle_cbc(alert_content):
    # do work here...
```

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.lvalert.listen`

Listen for LVAlert messages forever. LVAlert messages are dispatched asynchronously to tasks that have been registered with `gwcelery.tasks.lvalert.handler()`.

### 6.3.13 gwcelery.tasks.orchestrator module

This module implements the alert orchestrator, which responsible for the vetting and annotation workflow to produce preliminary, initial, and update alerts for gravitational-wave event candidates.

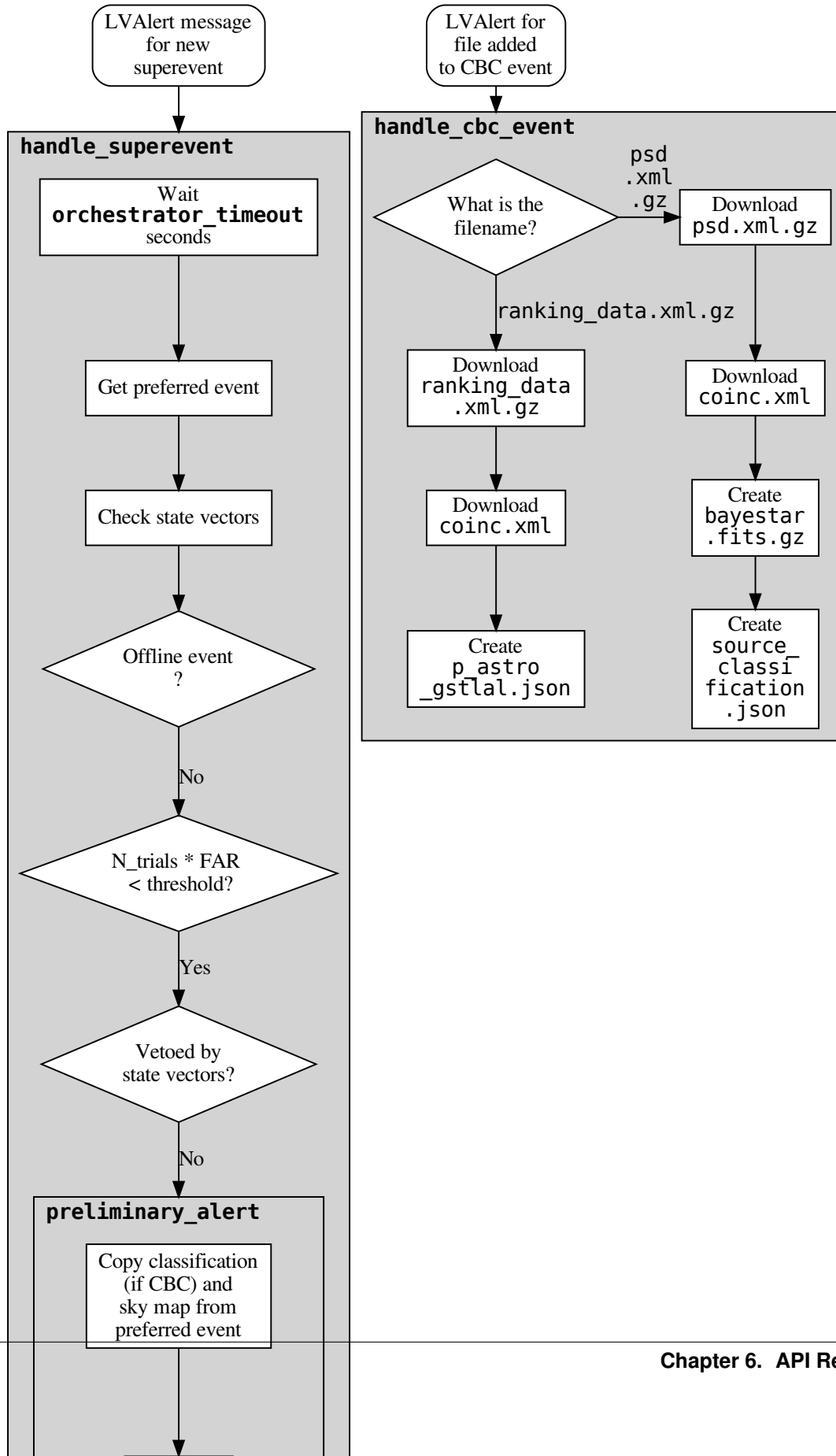
The orchestrator consists of two LAlert message handlers:

- `handle_superevent()` is called for each superevent. It waits for a short duration of `orchestrator_timeout` seconds for the selection of the superevent by the superevent manager to stabilize, then performs data quality checks. If the data quality checks pass, then it calls `preliminary_alert()` to copy annotations from the preferred event and send the preliminary GCN notice.
- `handle_cbc_event()` is called for each CBC event. It performs some CBC-specific annotations that depend closely on the CBC matched-filter parameters estimates and that might influence selection of the preferred event: rapid sky localization with BAYESTAR and rapid source classification.

Note that there is no equivalent of this task for burst events because both burst searches (cWB, LIB) have integrated source localization and have no other annotations.

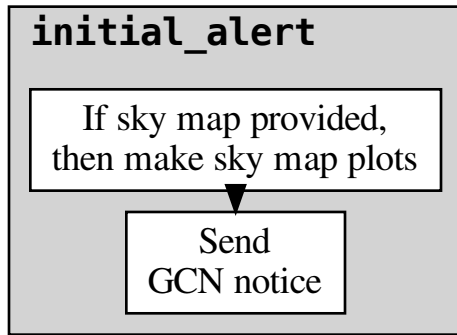
#### Preliminary Alerts

The flow chart below illustrates the operation of these two tasks.



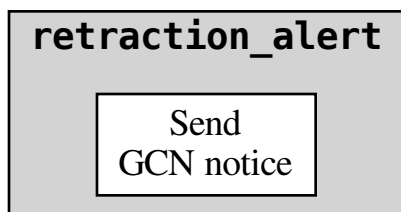
## Initial and Update Alerts

The `initial_alert()` and `update_alert()` tasks create Initial and Update alerts respectively. At the moment, there is no handler or user interface to trigger these tasks, and they must be invoked manually (see [Command-Line Tools](#)). A flow chart for the initial alerts is shown below; the flow chart for update alerts is the same.



## Retraction Alerts

Likewise, the `retraction_alert()` task creates Retraction alerts, and at the moment must be invoked manually. A flow chart is shown below.



## Tasks

### 6.3.14 gwcelery.tasks.p\_astro module

### 6.3.15 gwcelery.tasks.p\_astro\_gstlal module

### 6.3.16 gwcelery.tasks.p\_astro\_other module

### 6.3.17 gwcelery.tasks.raven module

Search for GRB-GW coincidences with ligo-raven.

`gwcelery.tasks.raven.calculate_spacetime_coincidence_far` (*gracedb\_id*, *group*)

Compute spatio-temporal coincidence FAR for GRB external trigger and superevent coincidence by calling `ligo.raven.search.calc_signif_gracedb`. Note: this will only run if skymaps from both triggers are available to download.

#### Parameters

- **gracedb\_id** (*str*) – ID of the superevent trigger used by GraceDB
- **group** (*str*) – CBC or Burst; group of the preferred\_event associated with the `gracedb_id` superevent

`gwcelery.tasks.raven.calculate_coincidence_far` (*gracedb\_id*, *group*)

Compute temporal coincidence FAR for external trigger and superevent coincidence by calling `ligo.raven.search.calc_signif_gracedb`.

#### Parameters

- **gracedb\_id** (*str*) – ID of the superevent trigger used by GraceDB
- **group** (*str*) – CBC or Burst; group of the preferred\_event associated with the `gracedb_id` superevent

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.raven.calc_signif` (*se\_id*, *exttrig\_id*, *tl*, *th*, *incl\_sky*, *se\_fitfile=None*)

Calculate FAR of GRB exttrig-GW coincidence

`gwcelery.tasks.raven.coincidence_search` (*gracedb\_id*, *alert\_object*, *group=None*, *pipelines=[]*)

Perform ligo-raven search for coincidences. The `ligo.raven.search.search` method applies EM\_COINC label on its own.

#### Parameters

- **gracedb\_id** (*str*) – ID of the trigger used by GraceDB
- **alert\_object** (*dict*) – lvalert['object']
- **group** (*str*) – Burst or CBC
- **pipelines** (*list*) – list of external trigger pipeline names

**(task)** `gwcelery.tasks.raven.search` (*gracedb\_id*, *alert\_object*, *tl=-5*, *th=5*, *group=None*, *pipelines=[]*)

Perform ligo-raven search for coincidences. The `ligo.raven.search.search` method applies EM\_COINC label on its own.

#### Parameters

- **gracedb\_id** (*str*) – ID of the trigger used by GraceDB
- **alert\_object** (*dict*) – lvalert['object']



- **tl** (*int*) – number of seconds to search before
- **th** (*int*) – number of seconds to search after
- **group** (*str*) – Burst or CBC
- **pipelines** (*list*) – list of external trigger pipelines for performing coincidence search against

#### Returns

**Return type** list with the dictionaries of related gracedb events

**(task) gwcelery.tasks.raven.add\_exttrig\_to\_superevent** (*raven\_search\_results*,  
*gracedb\_id*)

Add external trigger to the list of em\_events after ligo.raven.search.search finds a coincidence

#### Parameters

- **raven\_search\_results** (*list*) – list of dictionaries of each related gracedb trigger
- **gracedb\_id** (*str*) – ID of either a superevent or external trigger

### 6.3.18 gwcelery.tasks.skymaps module

Annotations for sky maps.

**gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.annotate\_fits** (*versioned\_filename*, *graceid*, *tags*)

Perform annotations on a sky map.

This function downloads a FITS file and then generates and uploads all derived images as well as an HTML dump of the FITS header.

**gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.is\_3d\_fits\_file** (*filecontents*)

Determine if a FITS file has distance information.

**(task) gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.annotate\_fits\_volume** (*filecontents*, *\*args*)

Perform annotations that are specific to 3D sky maps.

**(task) gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.fits\_header** (*filecontents*, *filename*)

Dump FITS header to HTML.

**(task) gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.plot\_allsky** (*filecontents*)

Plot a Mollweide projection of a sky map using the command-line tool [ligo-skymap-plot](#).

**(task) gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.plot\_volume** (*filecontents*)

Plot a 3D volume rendering of a sky map using the command-line tool [ligo-skymap-plot-volume](#).

**(task) gwcelery.tasks.skymaps.flatten** (*filecontents*, *filename*)

Convert a HEALPix FITS file from multi-resolution UNIQ indexing to the more common IMPLICIT indexing using the command-line tool [ligo-skymap-flatten](#).

### 6.3.19 gwcelery.tasks.superevents module

Superevents are an abstraction to unify gravitational-wave candidates from multiple search pipelines. Each superevent is intended to represent a single astrophysical event. A superevent consists of one or more event candidates, possibly from different pipelines, that are neighbors in time. At any given time, one event belonging to the superevent is identified as the *preferred event*.

This module provides the Superevent Manager, an LVAAlert handler that creates and updates superevents whenever new events are uploaded to GraceDB.

Events are only considered for membership in a superevent if their false alarm rate is less than or equal to the value of the `superevent_far_threshold` configuration setting.

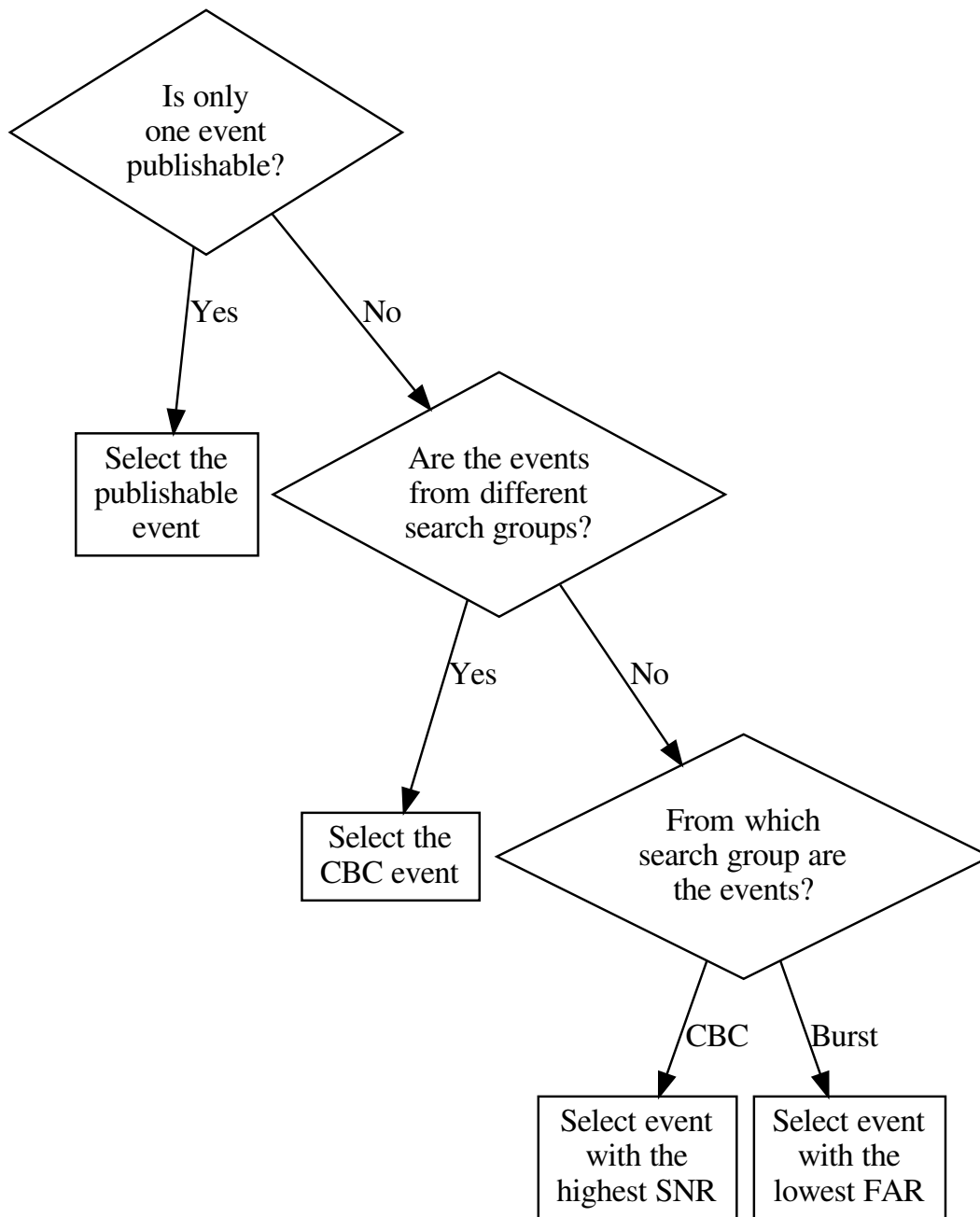
Each superevent has a time window described by a central time `t_0`, a start time `t_start`, and a end time `t_end`. The central time `t_0` is just the time of the preferred event. The start and end time are extended to encompass all of the events that belong to the superevent (see `get_ts()`).

### Selection of the preferred event

When a new event is added to a superevent, it may or may not become the new preferred event. The preferred event is selected by considering the following factors in order to resolve any ties:

1. **Publishability:** Would the event eligible, as determined by the function `should_publish()`, for sending an automated public alert?
2. **Search group:** Is it a CBC event or a burst event? CBC events takes precedence.
3. **Significance:** For CBC events, which has the highest SNR? For burst events, which has the lowest FAR?

The selection of the preferred event from a pair of events is illustrated by the decision tree below.



## Tasks

### 6.4 gwcelery.tools module

Custom [Celery subcommands](#). The subcommand that is implemented in `gwcelery.tools.submodule` can be invoked from the command line as `gwcelery submodule`.

#### 6.4.1 gwcelery.tools.condor module

Shortcuts for HTCondor commands to manage deployment of GWCelery on LIGO Data Grid clusters.

These commands apply to the GWCelery instance that is running in the current working directory.

`gwcelery.tools.condor.get_constraints()`

`gwcelery.tools.condor.run_exec(*args)`

`gwcelery.tools.condor.running()`

Determine if GWCelery is already running under HTCondor.

`gwcelery.tools.condor.submit()`

Submit all GWCelery jobs to HTCondor (if not already running).

`gwcelery.tools.condor.resubmit()`

Remove any running GWCelery jobs and resubmit to HTCondor.

`gwcelery.tools.condor.rm()`

Remove all GWCelery jobs.

`gwcelery.tools.condor.hold()`

Put all GWCelery jobs on hold.

`gwcelery.tools.condor.release()`

Release all GWCelery jobs from hold status.

`gwcelery.tools.condor.q()`

Show status of all GWCelery jobs.

**class** `gwcelery.tools.condor.CondorCommand`(*app=None, get\_app=None, no\_color=False, stdout=None, stderr=None, quiet=False, on\_error=None, on\_usage\_error=None*)

Bases: `celery.bin.base.Command`

Shortcuts for HTCondor commands to manage deployment of GWCelery on LIGO Data Grid clusters.

These commands apply to the GWCelery instance that is running in the current working directory.

**add\_arguments** (*parser*)

**run** (*func=None, \*\*kwargs*)

#### 6.4.2 gwcelery.tools.flask module

#### 6.4.3 gwcelery.tools.nagios module

### 6.5 gwcelery.util module

Miscellaneous utilities that are useful inside many different tasks.

```
class gwcelery.util.PromiseProxy(*args, **kwargs)
    Bases: object
```

`gwcelery.util.NamedTemporaryFile` (*content=None*, *\*\*kwargs*)  
 Convenience wrapper for `tempfile.NamedTemporaryFile()` that writes some data to the file before handing it to the calling code.

#### Parameters

- **content** (*str*, *bytes*, *None*) – Initial contents of the file.
- **\*\*kwargs** – Additional keyword arguments to pass to `tempfile.NamedTemporaryFile()`.

## 6.6 gwcelery.voevent module

Embed a Comet VOEvent broker and subscriber into a Celery worker by extending Celery with bootsteps.

```
gwcelery.voevent.install(app)
    Register the VOEvent subsystem in the application boot steps.
```

### 6.6.1 gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps module

```
class gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps.Reactor(consumer, **kwargs)
    Bases: gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps.VOEventBootStep
```

Run the global Twisted reactor in background thread.

The Twisted reactor is a global run loop that drives all Twisted services and operations. This boot step starts the Twisted reactor in a background thread when the Celery consumer starts, and stops the thread when the Consumer terminates.

```
name = 'Twisted reactor'
```

```
create (consumer)
    Create the step.
```

```
start (consumer)
```

```
stop (consumer)
```

```
class gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps.Broadcaster(consumer, **kwargs)
    Bases: gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps.TwistedService
```

Comet-based VOEvent broadcaster.

Run a Comet-based VOEvent broadcaster (`comet.protocol.broadcaster.VOEventBroadcasterFactory`). Starts after the *Reactor* bootstep.

A few *configuration options* are available:

- **voevent\_broadcaster\_address**: The address to bind to, in *host:port* format.
- **voevent\_broadcaster\_whitelist**: A list of hostnames, IP addresses, or CIDR address ranges from which to accept connections.

The list of active connections is made available *inspection* with the `gwcelery inspect stats` command under the `voevent-broker-peers` key.

```
name = 'VOEvent broadcaster'
```

```

create_service (consumer)

info (consumer)

class gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps.Receiver (consumer, **kwargs)
    Bases: gwcelery.voevent.bootsteps.TwistedService
    VOEvent receiver.

    Run a Comet-based VOEvent receiver (comet.protocol.subscriber.
    VOEventSubscriberFactory). Starts after the Reactor bootstep.

    A few configuration options are available:

    • voevent_receiver_address: The address to connect to, in host:port format.

    The list of active connections is made available inspection with the gwcelery inspect stats command
    under the voevent-receiver-peers key.

name = 'VOEvent receiver'

requires = ('celery.worker.consumer:Connection', step:Twisted reactor{('celery.worker.

create_service (consumer)

info (consumer)

```

## 6.6.2 gwcelery.voevent.logging module

Integration between the Celery, Twisted, and Comet logging systems.

```

gwcelery.voevent.logging.after_setup_logger (logger, loglevel, **kwargs)
    Celery signal handler to set up capturing of all log messages from Comet and Twisted.

```

- Celery uses the Python standard library's *logging* module. Twisted has its own separate logging facility. Use Twisted's *PythonLoggingObserver* to forward all Twisted log messages to the Python *logging* module.
- Comet uses the Twisted logging facility, but has its own separate management of log severity level (e.g., *info*, *debug*). Set Comet's log level to match Celery's.

## 6.6.3 gwcelery.voevent.util module

VOEvent-related utilities.

```

gwcelery.voevent.util.get_host_port (address)
    Split a network address of the form host:port.

```

**Parameters** *network* (*str*) – The network address.

**Returns**

- **host** (*str*) – The hostname, or an empty string if missing.
- **port** (*int*, *None*) – The port number, or *None* if missing.

```

gwcelery.voevent.util.get_local_ivo (app)
    Create an IVOID to identify this application in VOEvent Transport Protocol packets.

```

**Returns** A local IVOID composed of the machine's fully qualified domain name and the Celery application name (for example, *ivo://emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu/gwcelery*).

**Return type** *str*

`gwcelery.voevent.util.get_network(address)`

Find the IP network prefix for a hostname or CIDR notation.

**Parameters** `address` (*str*) – A hostname, such as `ligo.org`, or an IP address prefix in CIDR notation, such as `127.0.0.0/8`.

**Returns** An object representing the IP address prefix.

**Return type** `ipaddress.IPv4Network`

## 6.6.4 gwcelery.voevent.signals module

Definitions of custom `Celery` signals related to VOEvents.

These signals allow us to keep the VOEvent broker code decoupled from any GCN-specific logic. Notably, it allows us to keep all of the details of the GCN-specific “Notice Type” concept out of `gwcelery.voevent`.

`gwcelery.voevent.signals.voevent_received = <Signal: voevent_received providing_args={'xml_document'}>`  
 Fired whenever a VOEvent is received.

**Parameters** `xml_document` (`comet.utility.xml.xml_document`) – The XML document that was received. The raw file contents are available as `xml_document.raw_bytes`. The `lxml.etree` representation of the document is available as `xml_document.element`.





Contributors may familiarize themselves with Celery itself by going through the [First Steps with Celery](#) tutorial.

### 7.1 Development model

GWCelery operates on a fork-and-merge development model (see [GitLab basics](#) for an introduction).

To contribute to GWCelery development, follow these steps:

1. [Create a personal fork of GWCelery](#).
2. Make your changes on a branch.
3. Open a merge request.

Note that GWCelery uses [fast-forward merges](#).

### 7.2 Where new code should go

New code will generally consist of adding [Celery tasks](#). Tasks are organized by functionality into submodules of `gwc celery.tasks`. If your new task does not match with one of the existing submodules, please create a new submodule.

### 7.3 Guidelines for tasks

- **Tasks should be short.** When deciding where a new task should go, start from the following loose rules of thumb:
  1. If it's less than a screenful of code, and related to functionality in an existing module, then put the code in a new task in that module.

2. If it's up to a few screenfuls of code, or not related to functionality in an existing module, then try to break it into a few smaller functions or tasks and put it in a new module.
3. If it's more than a few screenfuls of code, or adds many additional dependencies, then it should go in a separate package.

See also the note on [Granularity](#) in the Celery manual's [Tips and Best Practices](#) section.

- **Tasks should avoid saving files to disk.** Output should be placed directly in GraceDB. Temporary files that are written in `/tmp` are OK but should be cleaned up promptly.

See also the Celery manual's notes on [Data locality](#) and [State](#).

- **Dependencies should be installable by pip.** Dependencies of tasks should be listed in the `requirements.txt` file so that they are installed automatically when GW Celery is installed with `pip`.

There are two extra steps involved in making changes to the dependencies:

1. The Sphinx-generated documentation (that is to say, this manual) is generally built without most of the dependencies installed. Whenever you add a new package to `requirements.txt`, you should also add any modules that are imported from that package to the `autodoc_mock_imports` list in the Sphinx configuration file, `doc/conf.py`.
2. We use `pipenv` to make the precise versions of packages reproducible in our deployment. If you make changes to `requirements.txt`, then run `pipenv update` and commit the changes to `Pipfile.lock`.

## 7.4 Unit tests

Unit tests and code coverage measurement are run automatically for every branch and for every merge request. New code contributions must have 100% test coverage. Modifications to existing code must not decrease test coverage. To run the unit tests and measure code coverage, run the following commands in the top directory of your local source checkout:

```
$ pip install pytest-cov
$ python setup.py test --addopts='--cov --cov-report html'
```

This will save a coverage report that you can view in a web browser as `htmlcov/index.html`.

## 7.5 Code style

Code should be written in the [PEP 8](#) style and must pass linting by [Flake8](#). To check code style, run the following commands in the top of your source directory:

```
$ pip install flake8 pep8-naming
$ flake8 --show-source .
```

## 7.6 Documentation

Documentation strings should be written in the [Numpydoc](#) style.

To build the documentation, run the following command in the top of your source directory:

```
$ python setup.py build_sphinx
```

Then to view the documentation, open the file `build/sphinx/html/index.html` in your favorite web browser.



## 8.1 Continuous deployment

GWCelery is automatically deployed using GitLab’s continuous deployment features, configured through the project’s `.gitlab-ci.yml` file. Deployment can be managed through the GitLab project’s [Environments](#) page.

Python dependencies in the deployment environment are managed automatically using `pipenv`.

There are two instances of GWCelery that are running on the LIGO-Caltech computing cluster and that are managed in this manner:

- **Playground:** The playground instance is re-deployed *on every push to master that passes the unit tests*. It uses the `gwcelery.conf.playground` configuration preset.
- **Production:** The production instance is re-deployed *only when manually triggered through GitLab*. It uses the `gwcelery.conf.production` configuration preset.

When we observe that the Playground instance shows correct end-to-end behavior, we have the option of triggering a re-deployment to Production. Deployment to production should preferably occur at a release. The procedure for performing a release is described below.

**Danger:** It is possible to start an interactive session inside the GWCelery production environment by logging in to the LIGO-Caltech cluster, but this measure should be **reserved for emergencies only**.

Any manual changes to the environment **may disrupt the logging and monitoring subsystems**. Any files that are manually changed, added to, or removed from the deployment environment **will not be captured in version control** and may be **rolled back without warning** the next time that the continuous deployment is triggered.

## 8.2 Making a new release

We always prepare releases from the tip of the `master` branch. GitLab is configured through the project’s `.gitlab-ci.yml` file to automatically build and push any tagged release to the [Python Package Index](#) (PyPI). Follow these steps

when issuing a release in order to maintain a consistent and orderly change log.

1. **Check the pipeline status.** Before you begin, first make sure that the unit tests, documentation, and packaging jobs are passing. Consult the project's [GitLab pipeline status](#) to make sure that all of the continuous integration jobs are passing on `master`.

If necessary, fix any bugs that are preventing the pipeline from passing, push the changes to `master`, and repeat until all jobs pass.

2. **Update the change log.** The first subsection of the change log file, `CHANGES.rst`, should have the title `MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH (unreleased)`, where `MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH` will be the version number of the new release. Review the git commit log.

Make any necessary changes to `CHANGES.rst` so that this subsection of the change log accurately summarizes all of the significant changes since the last release and is free of spelling, grammatical, or reStructuredText formatting errors.

Review the list of changes and make sure that the new version number is appropriate. We follow [SemVer](#) very loosely, and also generally bump at least the minor version number at the start of a new LSC/Virgo engineering or observing run.

Commit and push any corrections to `CHANGES.rst` to `master`.

3. **Tag the release.** Change the title of the first section of `CHANGES.rst` to `MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH (YYYY-MM-DD)` where `YYYY-MM-DD` is today's date. Commit with the message `Update changelog for version MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH`.

Create a git tag to mark the release by running the following command:

```
$ git tag vMAJOR.MINOR.PATCH -m "Version MAJOR.MINOR.PATCH"
```

4. **Create a change log section for the next release.** Add a new section to `CHANGES.rst` with the title `NEXT_MAJOR.NEXT_MINOR.NEXT_PATCH (unreleased)`, where `NEXT_MAJOR.NEXT_MINOR.NEXT_PATCH` is a provisional version number for the next release. Add a single list item with the text `No changes yet`. Commit with the message `Back to development`.

5. **Push the new tag and updated change log.** Push the new tag and updated change log:

```
git push && git push --tags
```

6. Wait a couple minutes, and then verify that the new release has been published on our PyPI project page, <https://pypi.org/project/gwcelery/>.
7. If desired, navigate to the GitLab project's [Environments](#) page and trigger a deployment to production.

## 9.1 0.6.0 (2019-05-20)

- Work around a bug in complex Celery canvases (see [celery/celery#5512](#)) that prevented initial GCN notices from being sent. As a side effect of this workaround, the initial, update, and retraction canvases will not automatically expose events to the public.

The preliminary alert canvas still *does* expose events to the public, so under normal circumstances, the follow-up advocate should not have to manually do that. However, if the event has not been exposed to the public for whatever reason, then the follow-up advocate should expose it to the public manually before applying the ADVOK label. See [emfollow/followup-advocate-guide!2](#).

- Reduce the false alarm rate threshold for parameter estimation to decrease cluster load.
- Remove redundant LVAlert subscription in `handle_lvalert_grb` to prevent double calls to RAVEN.
- Read template weights for  $P_{\text{astro}}$  from hdf5 file using `h5py` for speedup.
- Require `matplotlib < 3.1` because `matplotlib 3.1` breaks importing `gwpy`:

```
/usr/local/lib/python3.7/site-packages/gwpy/plot/rc.py:79: in <module>
    rcParams.get('text.latex.preamble', []) + tex.MACROS),
E   TypeError: can only concatenate str (not "list") to str
```

- Make `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.get_superevents` and `gwcelery.tasks.gracedb.get_events` take any number of keyword arguments to be passed to corresponding client methods.
- Update the superevent `t_0` field whenever the preferred event changes.

## 9.2 0.5.7 (2019-05-13)

- If the VOEvent broker is disabled by setting `voevent_broker_whitelist` to an empty list, then suppress the normal error message that would occur when attempting to send a VOEvent when there are no broker connections.

- Rearrange preliminary alert workflow so that sky map plots are generated for the newly added FITS file rather than an older FITS file that coincidentally has the same name.
- Have `gwcclery.detchar.check_vectors` task apply all GraceDB log messages in order to increase robustness to recoverable GraceDB API errors.
- Port over majority of `P_astro` code from `gwcclery` to the `p-astro` package.
- Use cleaned data for parameter estimation.
- The `DQOK` and `DQV` labels should be mutually exclusive. When `gwcclery.tasks.detchar.check_vectors` adds one of the `DQOK` or `DQV` labels, it will now first remove the other label.
- Change exception in `VOEvent` parsing of Fermi subthreshold alerts to match real incoming alerts.
- Update Celery to 4.3.0.
- Automatically select the most up-to-date calibration uncertainties for parameter estimation.

### 9.3 0.5.6 (2018-05-08)

- Extend the `orchestrator_timeout` to 300s and the `pe_timeout` to 345s. The previous timeout was not sufficient for the online pipelines to upload all of their possible candidates, hence the extension.

### 9.4 0.5.5 (2019-05-03)

- Cycle through `llhoft`, high latency frames, and low latency frames in `detchar`'s cache creation.
- Add explanations on options in `online_pe.jinja2` for those who start parameter estimation based on the ini files uploaded to GraceDB.
- Calculate horizon distance with `psd.xml.gz` to determine the upper limit of distance prior for parameter estimation.
- Start parameter estimation when the lowest FAR of the events in a superevent is lower than the threshold.
- Update the calibration uncertainties used for parameter estimation.
- Handle an exception in `VOEvent` parsing of Fermi subthreshold alerts due to different param names.
- Stop uploading corner plots of intrinsic parameters.
- Connect to different GCN servers to receive alerts in the production and playground environments, because GCN does not support multiple receiver connections from the same client IP address to the same server.
- Change the preferred event assignment logic to not let accidental candidates like G330298 which have low FAR but high SNR values to become the preferred event. From now on, `superevents.should_publish` takes maximum precedence for selecting the preferred event. The same is also used by `orchestrator` to expose events.
- Update RAVEN coinc FAR task call which uses string params versus un-pickleable class object params.
- Make sure to consume the entire response from every GraceDB API request. This will ensure that GraceDB API call has completed before the pipeline continues, and will fix errors like we encountered with S190426c where the pipeline would march along before uploads had finished.
- Apply ADVREQ label earlier in the preliminary alert workflow.
- Update LALSuite to version 6.54. We are now using a stable version again instead of a nightly build.
- Add Nagios checks for GCN connectivity.



- Improve uploaded comments so that it is easily understood which event has triggered parameter estimation.

## 9.5 0.5.4 (2019-05-01)

- Provide a value for terrestrial count for  $P_{\text{astro}}$  for non-gstlal pipelines that is consistent with the FAR threshold used.

## 9.6 0.5.3 (2019-04-17)

- Update ligo-followup-advocate to 0.0.28.
- Stop using unreviewed cleaned data for parameter estimation.
- Update detchar check to analyze full template duration for CBC events.

## 9.7 0.5.2 (2019-04-15)

- Fix typo in `gracedb.get_instruments`: there was the attribute lookup `single.ifo`, which should have been the dictionary lookup `single[ifo]`.
- Fix `gwcelery.tasks.p_astro_other.choose_snr` for gstlal. This method did not previously expect to be called for gstlal, since it is typically only invoked for other pipelines. However, there is one case when `choose_snr` is invoked for gstlal, which is when the `ranking_data` file from gstlal is corrupted with NaNs, causing  $P_{\text{astro}}$  for gstlal to fail. Thus, `choose_snr` has now been fixed to also handle gstlal as a pipeline.

## 9.8 0.5.1 (2019-04-12)

- Changed default for em-bright from 2.83 to 3.0  $M_{\text{sun}}$  to be consistent with notices.

## 9.9 0.5.0 (2019-04-12)

- Give permissions to read the files under parameter estimation run directories to non-owner people so that rota people can check their progresses. The naming convention of the run directories changed.
- EM-Bright ML classification requires review. Until then, give answer based on low-latency estimates.
- Compute  $P_{\text{astro}}$  with mass-based template weighting. Template weights are now keyed on template parameters, rather than bin numbers. This should make  $P_{\text{astro}}$  immune to binning conventions.
- Add form to manually send a preliminary GCN Notice.
- Fix a typo in `gwcelery.sub` that caused the Flower dashboard to fail to start.
- Round iDQ p(glitch) to 3 decimal places in GraceDB log message.
- Switch log telemetry from the on-premise instance of Sentry at Caltech to a cloud-hosted subscription to sentry.io.

- In the playground configuration, the `gwcclery.tasks.gcn.validate` task was producing false alarms because the GCN receiver was receiving VOEvents from the production instance, which would certainly differ in content from VOEvents in the playground instance. Fix this by having `gwcclery.tasks.gcn.validate` discard all VOEvents if the VOEvent broadcaster is disabled.
- Update ligo-followup-advocate to 0.0.27.
- Wait for 1 minute before parameter estimation in case the preferred event is updated with high latency.
- Ensure that `P_astro` accounts for very loud MBTA and PyCBC events, whose FAR saturate at certain low values depending on instrument combination, but whose SNRs can increase indefinitely.
- When a user triggers a Preliminary or Update alert through the Flask interface, create a GraceDB log message to record the username.
- The Flask interface will now show a confirmation dialog before sending any alerts.
- Add a terrifying warning to the Flask interface to make it clear that the interface is live.

## 9.10 0.4.3 (2019-04-05)

- Now that LIGO/Virgo alerts are public, switch the GCN listener that we use to confirm receipt of our own GCN Notices from a managed, private connection to an anonymous, public connection.
- Migrate the Flask and Flower dashboards from `ldas-jobs.ligo.caltech.edu` to `emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu`. The new URLs are:
  - <https://emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu/gwcclery>
  - <https://emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu/flower>
  - <https://emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu/playground/gwcclery>
  - <https://emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu/playground/flower>

Remove the `htaccess` file from our `public_html` directory, since the reverse proxy configuration is now the responsibility of system administrators.

- Display the GWCelery version number in the Flask application.
- Add visualizations for `p_astro.json` source classification files.

## 9.11 0.4.2 (2019-04-05)

- Calculation of number of instruments is now unified across superevent manager and orchestrator using `gracedb` method `get_number_of_instruments`.
- Enable automated preliminary alerts for all pipelines because disabling them in the orchestrator introduced some issues due to the criteria for releasing a public alert drifting away from the definition of a the preferred event of a superevent. We will instead trust pipelines that are still under review will upload events to the playground rather than the production environment.

## 9.12 0.4.1 (2019-04-02)

- Fixed normalization issues with `p_astro_gstlal.py`; normalization was being applied in the wrong places during Bayes factor computation.

- Require celery < 4.3.0 because that version breaks the nagios unit tests.
- Update false alarm rate trials factors for preliminary alerts.
- Enable sending GCN notices for fully automated preliminary alerts.
- Add threshold\_snr option in online\_pe.jinja2, which is used to determine the upper limit of distance prior.
- Use the same criteria to decide whether to expose an event publicly in GraceDB as we use to decide whether to issue a public alert.
- Do not issue public alerts for single-instrument GW events.
- Disable automated preliminary alerts for all pipelines but gstlal and cWB due to outstanding review items for the other pipelines.

## 9.13 0.4.0 (2019-03-29)

- This is the penultimate release before LIGO/Virgo observing run 3 (O3).
- Make detchar results easier to read by formatting as HTML table.
- Allow iDQ to label DQV onto events based on p(glitch). Adjustable by pipeline.
- Move functions in tasks/lalinference.py to lalinference\_pipe.py in lalsuite.
- Take into account calibration errors in automatic Parameter Estimation.
- Do not use margphi option for automatic Parameter Estimation with ROQ waveform since that option is not compatible with ROQ likelihood.
- Adjust WSGI middleware configuration to adapt to a change in Werkzeug 0.15.0 that broke redirects on form submission in the Flask app. See <https://github.com/pallets/werkzeug/pull/1303>.
- Use the new ligo.lw module for reading gstlal's ranking\_data.psd.xml.gz files, because these files are now written using the new LIGO-LW format that uses integer row IDs.
- Use clean data for parameter estimation.
- Use production accounting group for PE runs on gracedb events.
- Change threshold from log-likelihood equals 6 to a dynamic threshold that ensures that all gstlal events uploaded to gracedb get assigned a P\_astro value.

## 9.14 0.3.1 (2019-03-18)

- Fix a bug in translating keys from source\_classification.json to keyword arguments for GraceDB. createVOEvent that caused VOEvents to be missing the HasNS and HasRemnant fields.
- FAR threshold for sending preliminary notices for CBC is changed to 1 per 2 months.
- Upload log files when LALInference parameter estimation jobs fail or are aborted.
- Changed the filename source\_classification.json to em\_bright.json.
- Change condor log directory from /var/tmp to ~/.cache/condor since gwcclery workers have separate /var/tmp when they are running as condor jobs and that causes problems when gwcclery tries to read log files.
- Limit the maximum version of gwpy to 0.14.0 in order to work around a unit test failure that started with gwpy 0.14.1. See <https://git.ligo.org/emfollow/gwcclery/issues/95>.

- Upload a diff whenever a LIGO/Virgo VEvent that we receive from GCN does not match the original that we sent.
- Wait for low-latency or high-latency frame files being transferred to the cluster before parameter estimation starts.

## 9.15 0.3.0 (2019-03-01)

- Fixed exponent in the expression of foreground count in `p_astro_other` task.
- Run the sky map postprocessing and add the `PE_READY` tag when `LALInference` finishes.
- Include `EM_COINC` triggered circulars to upload to the superevent page.
- `p-astro` reads mean values from a file on CIT, new mass-gap category added. Removed redundant functions from `p_astro_gstlal` module.
- Continuous deployment on the Caltech cluster now uses a robot keytab and `gsissh` instead of SSH keys and vanilla `ssh` because the new `my.ligo.org` SSH key management does not support scripted access.
- Improve the isolation between the production and playground instances of GWCelery by deploying them under two separate user accounts on the Caltech cluster.
- Add functionality for `em_bright` task to query `emfollow/data` for trained machine learning classifier and report probabilities based on it.

## 9.16 0.2.6 (2019-02-12)

- Report an environment tag to Sentry corresponding to the GWCelery configuration module (`production`, `test`, `playground`, or `development`) in order to differentiate log messages from different deployments.
- The `gwcclery condor` command now identifies jobs that it owns by matching both the job batch name and the working directory. This makes it possible to run multiple isolated instances of GWCelery under HTCondor on the same cluster in different working directories.
- Change the conditions for starting parameter estimation. For every CBC superevent, create an `online_pe.ini` file suitable for starting `LALInference`. However, only start `LALInference` if the false alarm rate is less than once per 2 weeks.
- Determine PSD segment length for `LALInference` automatically based on data availability and data quality.
- Add a Flask-based web interface for manually triggering certain tasks such as sending updated GCN notices.

## 9.17 0.2.5 (2019-02-01)

- Pass along the GWCelery version number to Sentry.
- Upload stdout and stderr when dag creation fails and notifications when submitted job fails in Parameter Estimation
- Allow `detchar` module's `create_cache` to use `gwdatafind` when frames are no longer in `llhoft`.
- The Nagios monitoring plugin will now report on the status of `LVAAlert` subscriptions.
- Change trials factor to 5 for both CBC and Burst categories. CBC includes the 4 CBC pipelines. Burst includes the 4 searches performed in total by the 2 Burst pipelines. An additional external coincidence search.

- Automatically set up PE ini file depending on source parameters reported by detection pipelines.

## 9.18 0.2.4 (2018-12-17)

- Fix broken links in log messages due to changes in GraceDB URL routes.
- Whenever we send a public VOEvent using GCN, also make the corresponding VOEvent file in GraceDB public.
- Don't include Mollweide projection PNG file in VOEvents. The sky map visualizations take longer to generate than the FITS files themselves, so they were unnecessarily slowing down the preliminary alerts.
- Preliminary GCN FAR threshold is modified to be group (CBC, Burst, Test) specific.

## 9.19 0.2.3 (2018-12-16)

- Update frame type used in LALInference Parameter Estimation.
- Handle cases where `p_astro_gstlal.compute_p_astro` returns NaNs by falling back to `p_astro_other.compute_p_astro`.
- Fix a bug that prevented annotations that are specific to 3D sky maps from being performed for multi-resolution FITS files.
- Fetch the `graceid` for the new event added from the `gracedb` logs since `superevent` packet does not provide information as to which event is added in case of `type event_added`.

## 9.20 0.2.2 (2018-12-14)

- Add error handling for nonexistent iDQ frames in `detchar` module.

## 9.21 0.2.1 (2018-12-14)

- Update `detchar` module configuration for ER13.

## 9.22 0.2.0 (2018-12-14)

- This is the release of GWCelery for ER13.
- Run two separate instances of Comet, one to act as a broker and one to act as a client. This breaks a cycle that would cause retransmission of GRB notices back to GCN.
- Fix a race condition that could cause preliminary alerts to be sent out for events for which data quality checks had failed.
- Unpin the `redis` package version because recent updates to Kombu and Billiard seem to have fixed the Nagios unit tests.
- Start the Comet VOEvent broker as a subprocess instead of using `multiprocessing` and go back to using PyGCN instead of Comet as the VOEvent client. This is a workaround for suspected instability due to a bad interaction between `redis-py` and `multiprocessing`.

- Reset Matplotlib's style before running `ligo-skymap-plot` and `ligo-skymap-plot-volume`. There is some other module (probably in LALSuite) that is messing with the `rcparams` at module scope, which was causing Mollweide plots to come out with unusual aspect ratios.
- Run `check_vectors` upon addition of an event to a superevent if the superevent already has an `DQV` label.
- Do not check the `DMT-DQ_VECTOR` for pipelines which use gated `h(t)`.
- Remove static example `VOEvents` from the Open Alert Users Guide. We never used them because activating sample alerts got help until ER13.
- Disable running the Orchestrator for test events for ER13. After ER13 is over, we need to carefully audit the code and make sure that test events are handled appropriately.
- Enable public GraceDB entries and public GCNs for mock (MDC) events. For **real** events in ER13, disable public preliminary GCNs. Instead, advocate signoffs will trigger making events and GCN notices public: `ADVOK` for initial notices and `ADVNO` for retraction notices.
- Include source classification output (BNS/NSBH/BBH/Terrestrial) in GCN Notices.

## 9.23 0.1.7 (2018-11-27)

- Pin the `redis` package version at `<3` because the latest version of `redis` breaks the Nagios unit tests.
- Ditch our own homebrew `VOEvent` broker and use Comet instead.
- In addition to traditional flat, fixed-nside sky maps, BAYESTAR will now also upload an experimental multiresolution format described in [LIGO-G1800186-v4](#).

## 9.24 0.1.6 (2018-11-14)

- Update URL for static example event.

## 9.25 0.1.5 (2018-11-13)

- Add tasks for submitting HTCondor DAGs.
- Add a new module, `gwcelery.tasks.lalinference`, which provides tasks to start parameter estimation with LALInference and upload the results to GraceDB.
- Depend on lalsuite nightly build from 2018-11-04 to pick up changes to LALInference for Python 3 support.
- Send static example `VOEvents` from the Open Alert Users Guide. This will provide a stream of example alerts for astronomers until GraceDB is ready for public access.
- Add trials factor correction to the event FAR when comparing against FAR threshold to send out preliminary GCN.
- Require that LIGO/Virgo `VOEvents` that we receive from GCN match the original `VOEvents` from GraceDB byte-for-byte, since GCN will now pass through our `VOEvents` without modification.

## 9.26 0.1.4 (2018-10-29)

- Work around a bug in `astropy.visualization.wcsaxes` that affected all-sky plots when Matplotlib's `text.usetex` rparam is set to `True` (<https://github.com/astropy/astropy/issues/8004>). This bug has evidently been present since at least astropy 1.3, but was not being triggered until recently: it is likely that some other package that we import (e.g. `lalsuite`) is now globally setting `text.usetex` to `True`.
- A try except is added around `updateSuperevent` to handle a bad request error from server side when updating superevent parameters which have nearby values.
- Send automatic preliminary alerts only for events with a false alarm rate below a maximum value specified by a new configuration variable, `preliminary_alert_far_threshold`.
- State vector vetoes will not suppress processing of preliminary sky maps and source classification. They will still suppress sending preliminary alerts.
- Set `open_alert` to `True` for all automated `VOEvents`.

## 9.27 0.1.3 (2018-10-26)

- Preliminary GCN is not sent for superevents created from offline gw events.
- Add `dqr_json` function to `gwcelery.tasks.detchar`, which uploads a DQR-compatible json to GraceDB with the results of the `detchar` checks.
- Depend on `ligo.skymap`  $\geq 0.0.17$ .
- Fix a bug in sending initial, update, and retraction GCN notices: we were sending the `VOEvent` filenames instead of the file contents.

## 9.28 0.1.2 (2018-10-11)

- Setted `vetted` flag to true for all initial, update, and retraction alerts that are triggered by GraceDB signoffs.
- Write GraceDB signoffs, instead of just labels, to simulate initial and retraction alerts for mock events, because merely creating the `ADVNO` or `ADVOK` label does not cause GraceDB to erase the `ADVREQ` label. This change makes mock alerts more realistic.
- Change filename of `cWB` sky maps from `skyprobcc_cWB.fits` to `cWB.fits.gz` for consistency with other pipelines.
- Any time that we send a `VOEvent`, first change the GraceDB permissions on the corresponding superevent so that it is visible to the public. Note that this has no effect during the ongoing software engineering runs because `LVEM` and unauthenticated access are currently disabled in GraceDB.

## 9.29 0.1.1 (2018-10-04)

- Use the `public` tag instead of the `lvem` tag to mark preliminary sky maps for public access rather than LV-EM partner access. Note that GraceDB has not yet actually implemented unauthenticated access, so this should have no effect during our ongoing software engineering runs.
- Add `check_idq` function to `detchar` module, which reads probabilities generated by `iDQ`.

- Automated DQV labels should not trigger retraction notices because they prevent preliminary notices from being sent in the first place.
- The criterion for selecting a superevent's preferred event now prefers multiple-detector events to single-detector events, with precedence over source type (CBC versus burst). Any remaining tie is broken by using SNR for CBC and FAR for Burst triggers.
- By default, initial and update alerts will find and send the most recently added public sky map.
- The initial and update sky maps no longer perform sky map annotations, because they would only be duplicating the annotations performed as part of the preliminary alert.
- Mock events now include example initial and retraction notices. Two minutes after each mock event is uploaded, there will be either an ADVOK or an ADVNO label applied at random, triggering either an initial or a retraction notice respectively.
- Depend on ligo-gracedb  $\geq$  2.0.1 in order to pull in a bug fix for VOEvents with ProbHasNS or ProbHasRemnant set to 0.0.
- Use the `sentry-sdk` package instead of the deprecated `raven` package for Sentry integration.

### 9.30 0.1.0 (2018-09-26)

- Separated the external GCN listening handlers into two: one that listens to GCNs about SNEWS triggers and another that listens to Fermi and Swift.
- Fixed calls to the raven temporal coincidence search so that search results separate SNEWS triggers from Fermi and Swift.
- Add space-time FAR calculation for GRB and GW superevent coincidences. This only runs when skymaps from both triggers are available to download.
- Add human vetting for initial GCN notices. For each new superevent that passes state vector checks, the ADVREQ label is applied. Rapid response team users should set their GraceDB notification preferences to alert them on ADVREQ labels. If a user sets the ADVOK label, then an initial notice is issued. If a user sets the ADVNO label, then a retraction notice is issued.
- Update the LVAalert host for `gracedb-playground.ligo.org`.
- Add experimental integration with [Sentry](#) for log aggregation and error reporting.
- Track API and LVAalert schema changes in ligo-gracedb 2.0.0.

### 9.31 0.0.31 (2018-09-04)

- Refactor external trigger handling to separate it from the orchestrator.
- Fixed a bug in the VOEvent broker to only issue "iamalive" messages after sending the first VOEvent.
- Pass group argument to set time windows appropriately when performing raven coincidence searches. Search in the [-600, 60]s range and [-5, 1]s range around external triggers for Burst events and CBC events respectively. Similarly, search in the [-60, 600]s and [-1, 5]s range around Burst and CBC events for external triggers.
- Compute and upload FAR for GRB external trigger/superevent coincidence upon receipt of the EM\_COINC label application to a superevent.
- Add continuous integration testing for Python 3.7, and run test suite against all supported Python versions (3.6, 3.7).



- Update ligo.skymap to 0.0.15.

## 9.32 0.0.30 (2018-08-02)

- Manage superevents for production, test, and MDC events separately.
- Add some more validation of LIGO/Virgo VOEvents from GCN.
- Remove now-unused task `gwcelery.tasks.orchestartor.continue_if`.
- Add `check_vectors` run for external triggers.
- Change the preferred event selection criteria for burst events to be FAR instead of SNR.
- Add `gwcelery nagios` subcommand for Nagios monitoring.
- Incorporate Virgo DQ veto streams into `check_vectors`
- Update ligo-raven to 1.3 and ligo-followup-advocate to 0.0.11.

## 9.33 0.0.29 (2018-07-31)

- Add a workflow graph to superevents module documentation.
- Add `gwcelery condor resubmit` as a shortcut for `gwcelery condor rm; gwcelery condor submit`.
- Fix deprecation warning due to renaming of `ligo.gracedb.rest.Gracedb.createTag` to `ligo.gracedb.rest.Gracedb.addTag`.
- Update ligo-gracedb to 2.0.0.dev1.

## 9.34 0.0.28 (2018-07-25)

- Add injection checks to `check_vector`.
- Bitmasks are now defined symbolically in `detchar`.
- Refactor configuration so that it is possible to customize settings through an environment variable.

## 9.35 0.0.27 (2018-07-22)

- The preferred event for superevents is now decided based on higher SNR value instead of lower FAR in the case of a tie between groups.
- A check for the existence of the gstlal trigger database is performed so that `compute_p_astro` does not return `None`.

## 9.36 0.0.26 (2018-07-20)

- Fix spelling of the label that is applied to events after `p_astro` finishes, changed from `P_ASTRO_READY` to `PASTRO_READY`.

- Run `p_astro` calculation for mock events.
- Overhaul preliminary alert pipeline so that it is mostly feature complete for both CBC and Burst events, and uses a common code path for both types. Sky map annotations now occur for both CBC and Burst localizations.
- Switch to using the pre-registered port 8096 for receiving proprietary LIGO/Virgo alerts on `emfollow.ligo.caltech.edu`. This means that the capability to receive GCNs requires setting up a site configuration in advance with Scott Barthelmey.

Once we switch to sending public alerts exclusively, then we can switch back to using port 8099 for anonymous access, requiring no prior site configuration.

### 9.37 0.0.25 (2018-07-19)

- Reintroduce pipeline-dependent pre/post peeks for `check_vector` after fixing issue where pipeline information was being looked for in the wrong dictionary.
- `check_vector` checks all detectors regardless of instruments used, but only appends labels based on active instruments.
- Fix a few issues in the GCN broker:
  - Decrease the frequency of keepalive (“iamalive” in VOEvent Transport Protocol parlance) packets from once a second to once a minute at the request of Scott Barthelmey.
  - Fix a possible race condition that might have caused queued VOEvents to be thrown away unsent shortly after a scheduled keepalive packet.
  - Consume and ignore all keepalive and ack packets from the client so that the receive buffer does not overrun.
- Add `p_astro` computation for `gstlal` pipeline. The computation is launched for all `cbc_gstlal` triggers.

### 9.38 0.0.24 (2018-07-18)

- Revert pipeline-dependent pre/post peeks for `check_vector` because they introduced a regression: it caused the orchestrator failed without running any annotations.

### 9.39 0.0.23 (2018-07-18)

- Add timeout and keepalive messages to GCN broker.
- Update `ligo-gracedb` to 2.0.0.dev0 and `ligo.skymap` to 0.0.12.
- Add superevent duration for `gstlal-spiir` pipeline.
- Fix fallback for determining superevent duration for unknown pipelines.
- Make `check_vector` pre/post peeks pipeline dependent.

### 9.40 0.0.22 (2018-07-11)

- Process `gstlal-spiir` events.

- Create combined LVC-Fermi skymap in case of coincident triggers and upload to GraceDB superevent page. Also upload the original external trigger sky map to the external trigger GraceDB page.
- Generalize conditional processing of complex canvases by replacing the `continue_if_group_is()` task with a more general task that can be used like `continue_if(group='CBC')`.
- Add a `check_vector_prepost` configuration variable to control how much padding is added around an event for querying the state vector time series.

This should have the beneficial side effect of fixing some crashes for burst events, for which the bare duration of the superevent segment was less than one sample.

## 9.41 0.0.21 (2018-07-10)

- MBTA events in GraceDB leave the `search` field blank. Work around this in `gwcelery.tasks.detachchar.check_vectors` where we expected the field to be present.
- Track change in GraceDB JSON response for VOEvent creation.

## 9.42 0.0.20 (2018-07-09)

- After fixing some minor bugs in code that had not yet been tested live, sending VOEvents to GCN now works.

## 9.43 0.0.19 (2018-07-09)

- Rewrite the GCN broker so that it does not require a dedicated worker.
- Send VOEvents for preliminary alerts to GCN.
- Only perform state vector checks for detectors that were online, according to the preferred event.
- Exclude mock data challenge events from state vector checks.

## 9.44 0.0.18 (2018-07-06)

- Add detector state vector checks to the preliminary alert workflow.

## 9.45 0.0.17 (2018-07-05)

- Undo accidental configuration change in last version.

## 9.46 0.0.16 (2018-07-05)

- Stop listening for three unnecessary GCN notice types: `SWIFT_BAT_ALARM_LONG`, `SWIFT_BAT_ALARM_SHORT`, and `SWIFT_BAT_KNOWN_SRC`.

- Switch to [SleekXMPP](#) for the LVAalert client, instead of [PyXMPP2](#). Because SleekXMPP has first-class support for publish-subscribe, the LVAalert listener can now automatically subscribe to all LVAalert nodes for which our code has handlers. Most of the client code now lives in a new external package, [sleek-lvalert](#).

## 9.47 0.0.15 (2018-06-29)

- Change superevent threshold and mock event rate to once per hour.
- Add `gracedb.create_label` task.
- Always upload external triggers to the ‘External’ group.
- Add rudimentary burst event workflow to orchestrator: it just generates VOEvents and circulars.
- Create a label in GraceDB whenever `em_bright` or `bayestar` completes.

## 9.48 0.0.14 (2018-06-28)

- Fix typo that was causing a task to fail.
- Decrease orchestrator timeout to 15 seconds.

## 9.49 0.0.13 (2018-06-28)

- Change FAR threshold for creation of superevents to 1 per day.
- Update ligo-followup-advocate to  $\geq 0.0.10$ . Re-enable automatic generation of GCN circulars.
- Add “EM bright” classification. This is rudimentary and based only on the point mass estimates from the search pipeline because some of the EM bright classifier’s dependencies are not yet ready for Python 3.
- Added logic to select CBC events as preferred event over Burst. FAR acts as tie breaker when groups for preferred event and new event match.
- BAYESTAR now adds GraceDB URLs of events to FITS headers.

## 9.50 0.0.12 (2018-06-28)

- Prevent receiving duplicate copies of LVAalert messages by unregistering redundant LVAalert message types.
- Update to ligo-followup-advocate  $\geq 0.0.9$  to update GCN Circular text for superevents. Unfortunately, circulars are still disabled due to a regression in ligo-gracedb (see <https://git.ligo.org/lscsoft/gracedb-client/issues/7>).
- Upload BAYESTAR sky maps and annotations to superevents.
- Create (but do not send) preliminary VOEvents for all superevents. No vetting is performed yet.

## 9.51 0.0.11 (2018-06-27)

- Submit handler tasks to Celery as a single group.
- Retry GraceDB tasks that raise a `TimeoutError` exception.

- The superevent handler now skips LAlert messages that do not affect the false alarm rate of an event (e.g. simple log messages).

(Note that the false alarm rate in GraceDB is set by the initial event upload and can be updated by replacing the event; however replacing the event does not produce an LAlert message at all, so there is no way to intercept it.)

- Added a query kwarg to superevents method to reduce latency in fetching the superevents from gracedb.
- Refactored getting event information for update type events so that gracedb is polled only once to get the information needed for superevent manager.
- Renamed the `set_preferred_event` task in `gracedb.py` to `update_superevent` to be a full wrapper around the `updateSuperevent` client function. Now it can be used to set preferred event and also update superevent time windows.
- Many `cwb` (extra) attributes, which should be floating point numbers, are present in lvalert packet as strings. Casting them to avoid embarrassing `TypeError`s.
- Reverted back the typecasting of `far`, `gpstime` into float. This is fixed in <https://git.ligo.org/lscsoft/gracedb/issues/10>
- CBC `t_start` and `t_end` values are changed to 1 sec interval.
- Added ligo-raven to run on external trigger and superevent creation lvalerts to search for coincidences. In case of coincidence, `EM_COINC` label is applied to the superevent and external trigger page and the external trigger is added to the list of `em_events` in superevent object dictionary.
- `cwb` and `lib` nodes added to superevent handler.
- Events are treated as finite segment window, initial superevent creation with preferred event window. Addition of events to superevents may change the superevent window and also the preferred event.
- Change default GraceDB server to <https://gracedb-playground.ligo.org/> for open public alert challenge.
- Update to ligo-gracedb  $\geq$  1.29dev1.
- Rename the `get_superevent` task to `get_superevents` and add a new `get_superevent` task that is a trivial wrapper around `ligo.gracedb.rest.GraceDb.superevent()`.

## 9.52 0.0.10 (2018-06-13)

- Model the time extent of events and superevents using the `glue.segments` module.
- Replace `GraceDB.get` with `GraceDB.superevents` from the recent dev release of `gracedb-client`.
- Fix possible false positive matches between GCNs for unrelated GRBs by matching on both `TrigID` (which is generally the mission elapsed time) and mission name.
- Add the configuration variable `superevent_far_threshold` to limit the maximum false alarm rate of events that are included in superevents.
- LAlert handlers are now passed the actual alert data structure rather than the JSON text, so handlers are no longer responsible for calling `json.loads`. It is a little bit more convenient and possibly also faster for Celery to deserialize the alert messages.
- Introduce `Production`, `Development`, `Test`, and `Playground` application configuration objects in order to facilitate quickly switching between GraceDB servers.
- Pipeline specific start and end times for superevent segments. These values are controlled via configuration variables.

## 9.53 0.0.9 (2018-06-06)

- Add missing LVAalert message types to superevent handler.

## 9.54 0.0.8 (2018-06-06)

- Add some logging to the GCN and LVAalert dispatch code in order to diagnose missed messages.

## 9.55 0.0.7 (2018-05-31)

- Ingest Swift, Fermi, and SNEWS GCN notices and save them in GraceDB.
- Depend on the pre-release version of the GraceDB client, `ligo-gracedb 1.29.dev0`, because this is the only version that supports superevents at the moment.

## 9.56 0.0.6 (2018-05-26)

- Generate GCN Circular drafts using [ligo-followup-advocate](#).
- In the continuous integration pipeline, validate PEP8 naming conventions using [pep8-naming](#).
- Add instructions for measuring test coverage and running the linter locally to the contributing guide.
- Rename `gwcelery.tasks.voevent` to `gwcelery.tasks.gcn` to make it clear that this submodule contains functionality related to GCN notices, rather than VOEvents in general.
- Rename `gwcelery.tasks.dispatch` to `gwcelery.tasks.orchestrator` to make it clear that this module encapsulates the behavior associated with the “orchestrator” in the O3 low-latency design document.
- Mock up calls to BAYESTAR in test suite to speed it up.
- Unify dispatch of LVAalert and GCN messages using decorators. GCN notice handlers are declared like this:

```
import lxml.etree
from gwcelery.tasks import gcn

@gcn.handler(gcn.NoticeType.FERMI_GBM_GND_POS,
             gcn.NoticeType.FERMI_GBM_FIN_POS)
def handle_fermi(payload):
    root = lxml.etree.fromstring(payload)
    # do work here...
```

LVAalert message handlers are declared like this:

```
import json
from gwcelery.tasks import lvalert

@lvalert.handler('cbc_gstlal',
                 'cbc_pycbc',
                 'cbc_mbt')
def handle_cbc(alert_content):
    alert = json.loads(alert_content)
    # do work here...
```

- Instead of carrying around the GraceDB service URL in tasks, store the GraceDB host name in the Celery application config.
- Create superevents by simple clustering in time. Currently this is only supported by the `gracedb-dev1` host.

## 9.57 0.0.5 (2018-05-08)

- Disable socket access during most unit tests. This adds some extra assurance that we don't accidentally interact with production servers during the unit tests.
- Ignore BAYESTAR jobs that raise a `DetectorDisabled` error. These exceptions are used for control flow and do not constitute a real error. Ignoring these jobs avoids polluting logs and the Flower monitor.

## 9.58 0.0.4 (2018-04-28)

- FITS history and comment entries are now displayed in a monospaced font.
- Adjust error reporting for some tasks.
- Depend on newer version of `ligo.skymap`.
- Add unit tests for the `gwcelery condor submit` subcommand.

## 9.59 0.0.3 (2018-04-27)

- Fix some compatibility issues between the `gwcelery condor submit` subcommand and the format of `condor_q -totals -xml` with older versions of HTCondor.

## 9.60 0.0.2 (2018-04-27)

- Add `gwcelery condor submit` and related subcommands as shortcuts for managing GWCelery running under HTCondor.

## 9.61 0.0.1 (2018-04-27)

- This is the initial release. It provides rapid sky localization with BAYESTAR, sky map annotation, and sending mock alerts.
- By default, GWCelery is configured to listen to the test LVAalert server.
- Sending VOEvents to GCN/TAN is disabled for now.





# CHAPTER 10

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