



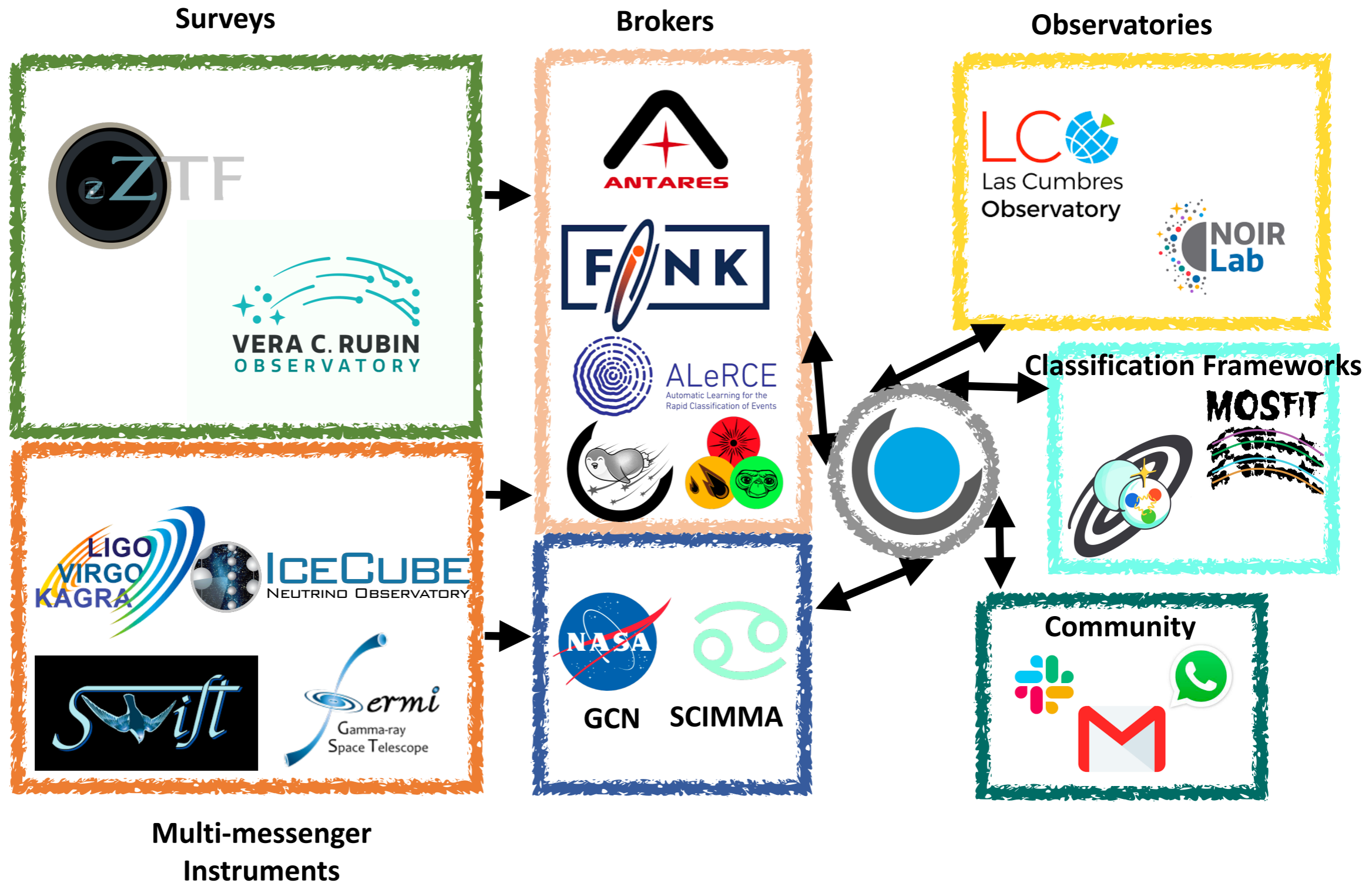
Machine learning in multi-messenger astrophysics: the present and the future

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The Time-Domain Astronomy Ecosystem

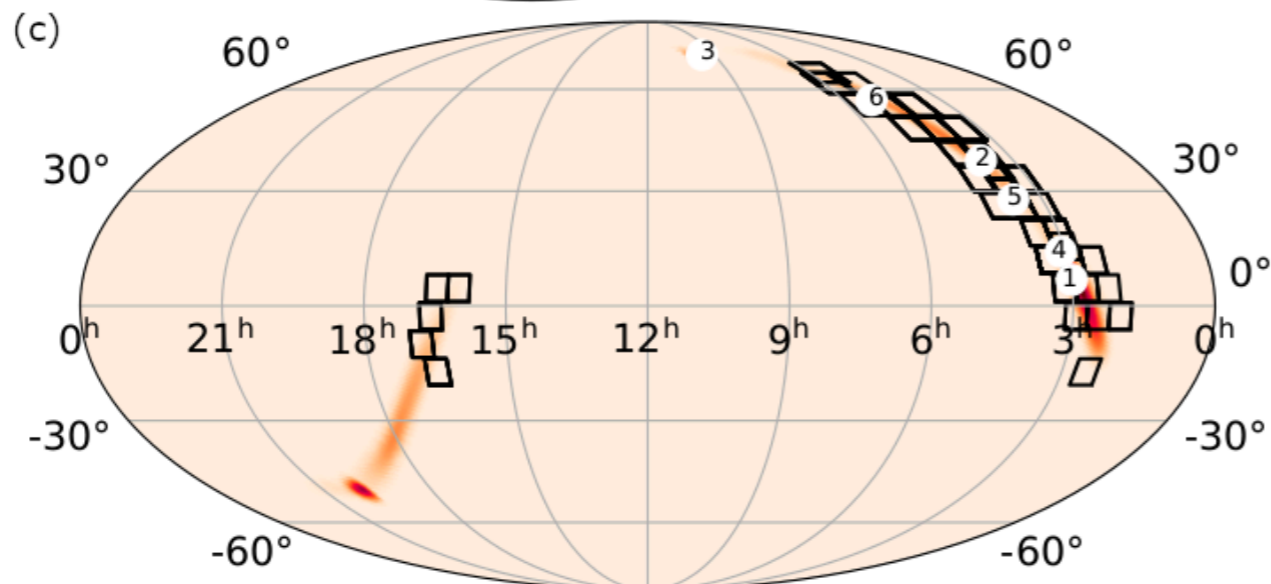
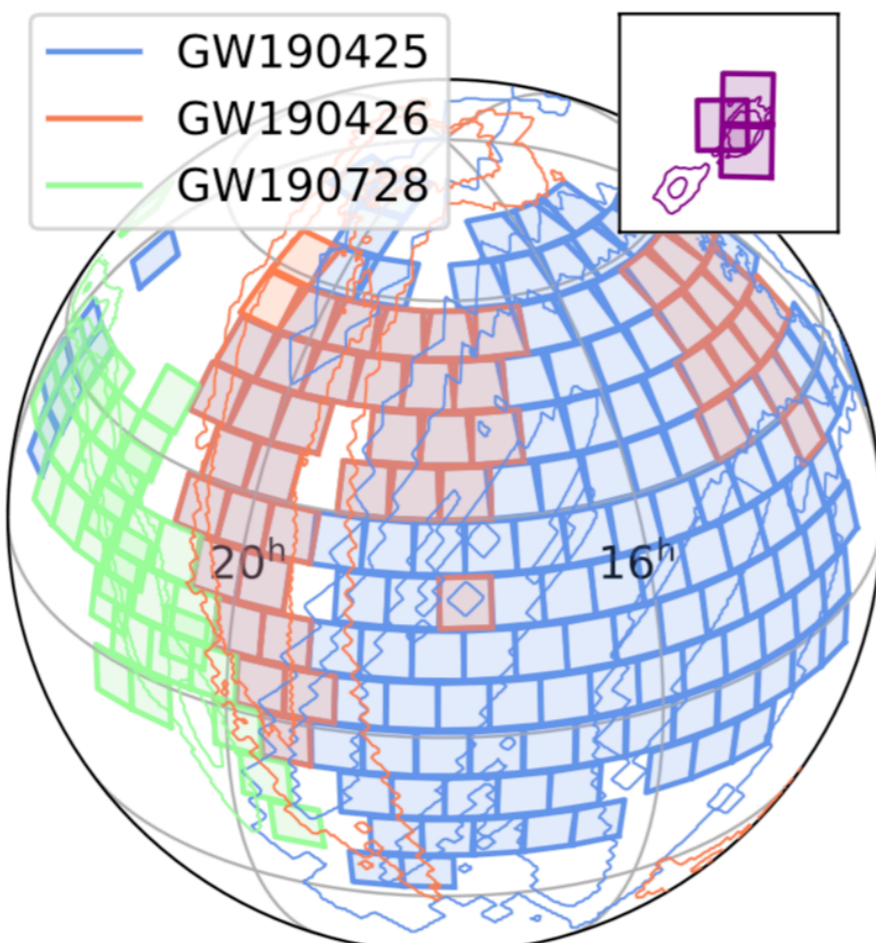




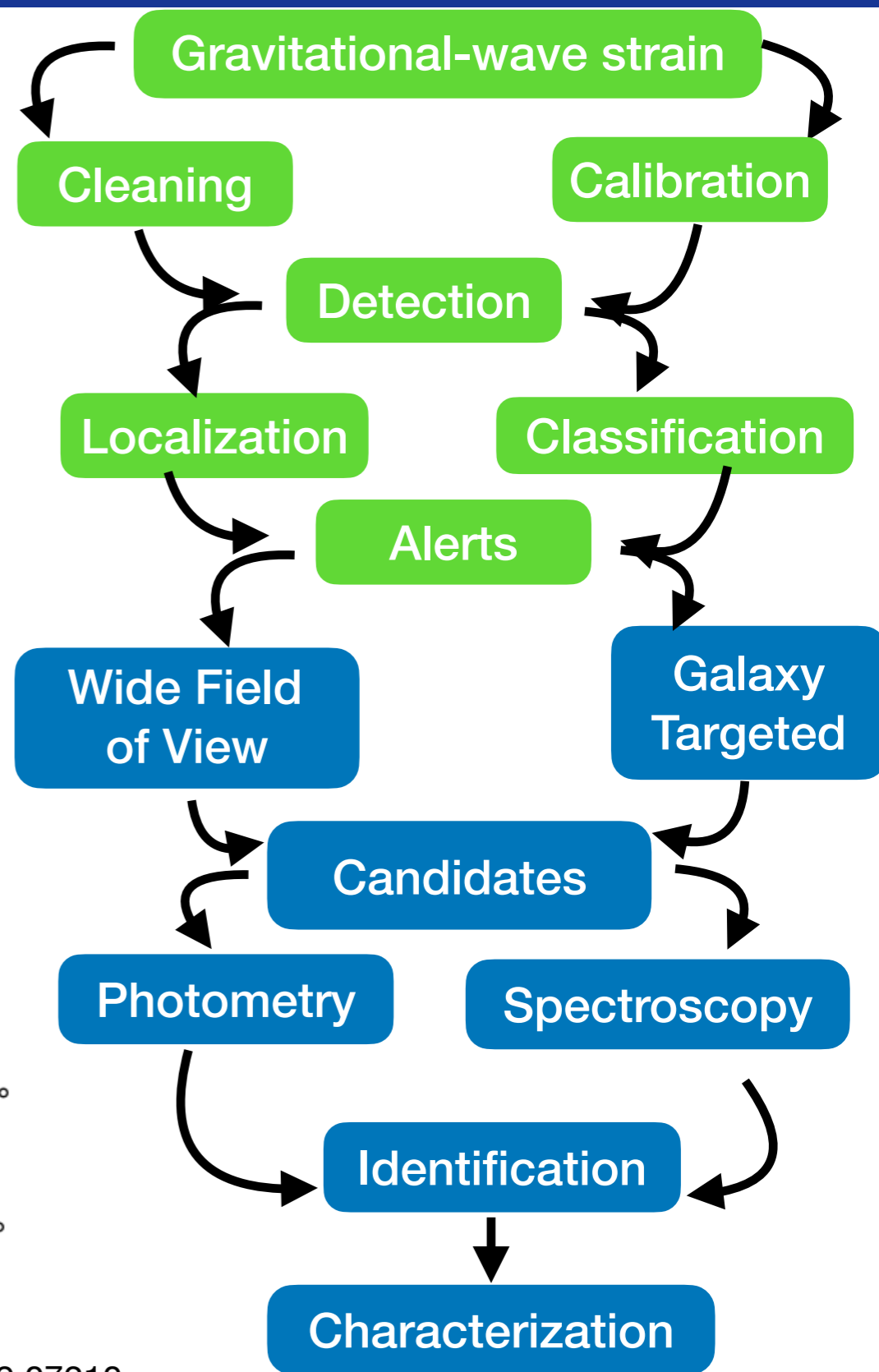
Multi-Messenger Astronomy: The (long) road from data to science

Kasliwal et al. (2020): 2008.00008

GW190814



Anand et al. (2020): 2009.07210



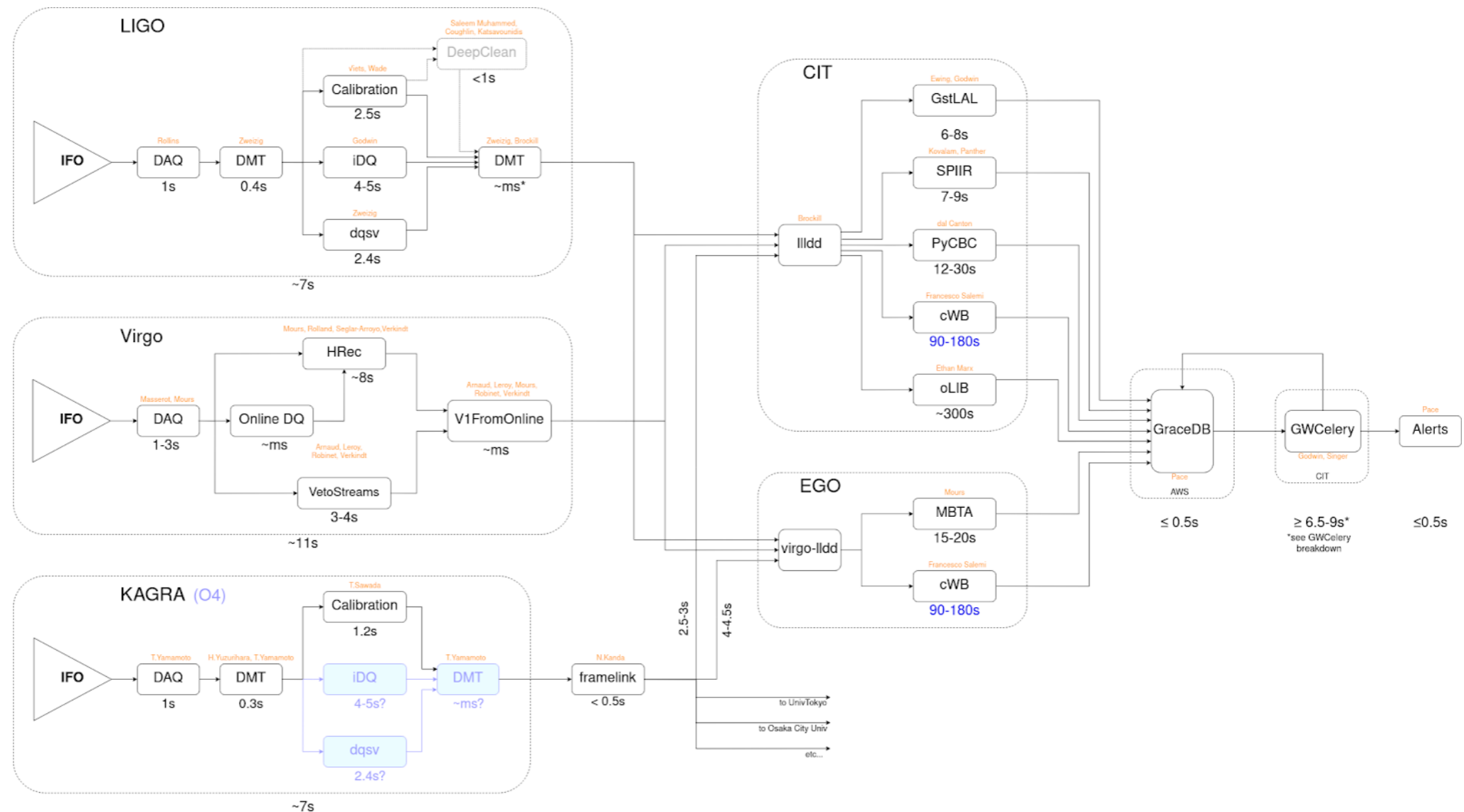


Analyses

- **Online** (real-time; follow-up; alerts)
 - Modeled Compact Binary Coalescence
 - Pipelines: GstLAL, PyCBC, MBTA, SPIIR
 - Searches: AllSky, EarlyWarning, Sub-solar mass
 - Unmodeled searches
 - Pipelines: CWB, oLIB, MLy
 - Searches: AllSky, cwb-bbh
 - External coincidence search
 - GRB coincidences: Fermi, Swift, AGILE
 - Supernovae from SNEWS
 - Sub-threshold triggers via MoU
 - Real-time annotations:
 - Skymaps
 - Source-classification and properties
 - Online bayesian parameter estimation
- Offline (archival; catalog; rates and populations)



Alert Latencies



- Data Calibration ~3s
- Data transfer from sites (LLO/LHO) to CIT ~5s
- Pipeline analysis ~ 10 - 15s
- gwcelery + GraceDB alert ~ 8s (~2 seconds for skymaps)



Faster Searches

Latency Source	Latency (s)
Coalescence point exiting training kernel padding	0.25
Cropping corruption from whitening filter	0.50
Cropping corruption from resampling to 2048 Hz	1.0
Integrating network output	1.0
Reading data and transferring to GPU	$1.03^{+0.06}_{-0.05} \times 10^{-2}$
Estimating PSD and whitening	$8.77^{+1.35}_{-0.31} \times 10^{-4}$
Performing inference on whitened data	$9.63^{+0.38}_{-0.32} \times 10^{-3}$
Integrating and aggregating network output	$3.42^{+0.02}_{-0.01} \times 10^{-1}$
Identifying candidate events in integrated output	$1.40^{+0.62}_{-0.43} \times 10^{-4}$
Total	$3.114^{0.006}_{0.001}$

Marx, Benoit, et al. 2403.18661

NB: For the items listed in the upper section this table, the latency does not come from performing the computation, but rather from needing to wait for the data to exist before the action can occur...



Ethan Marx, MIT



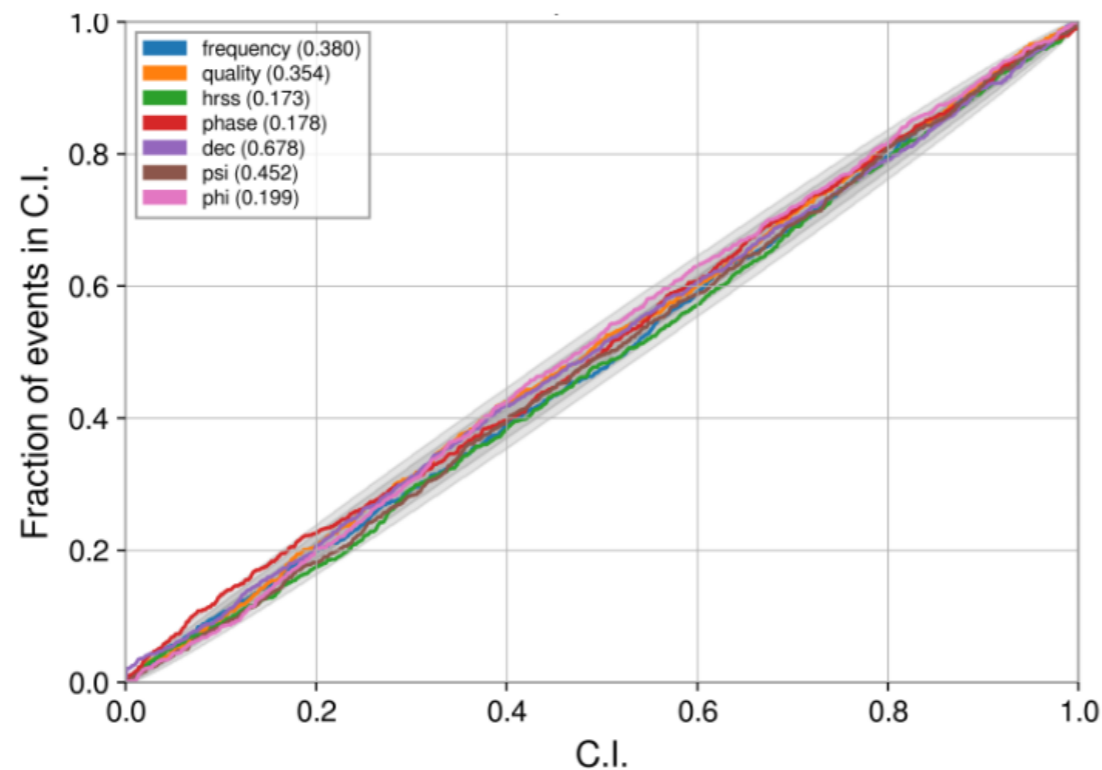
Will Benoit, UMN

Discussions ongoing to put a GPU at each site (to bypass data transfer) and perform inference for ML detection and then use streaming ML parameter estimation models for these detections. **< 10 second latencies possible!**



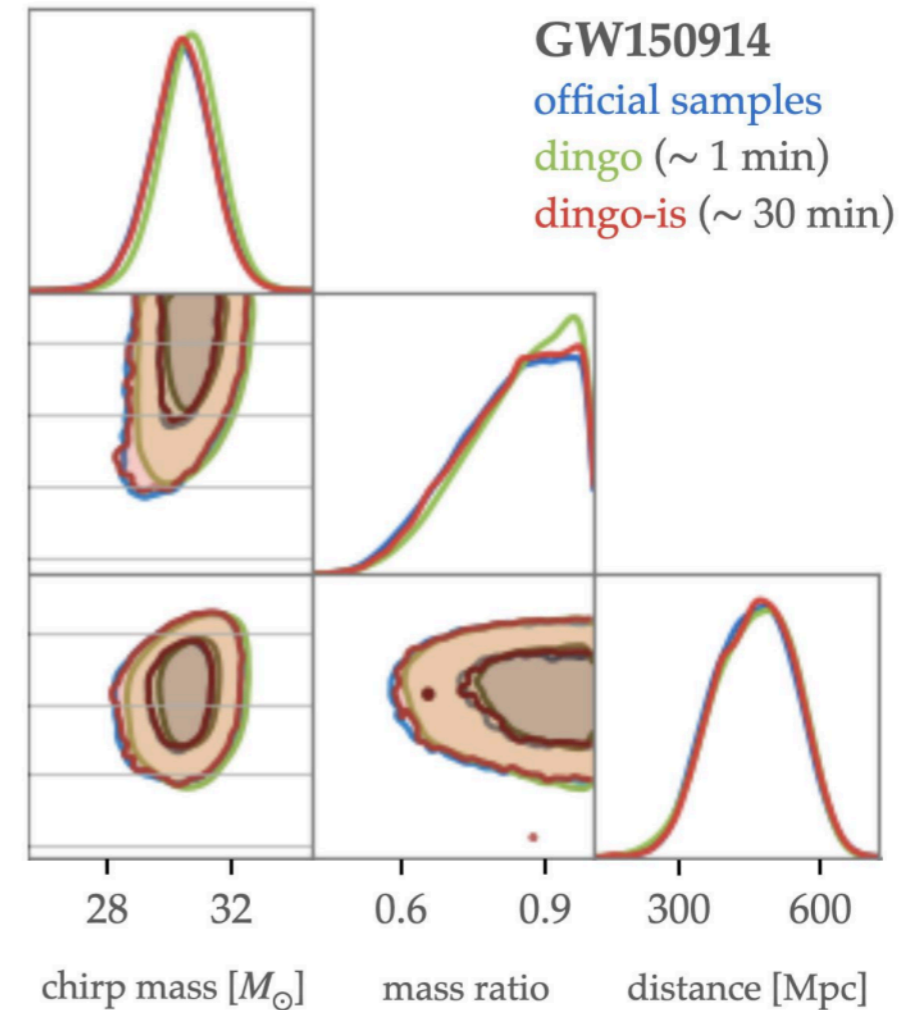
Faster Parameter Estimation

AMPLFI



Chatterjee et al. NeurIPS 2023 ML and Physical Sciences workshop

Dingo



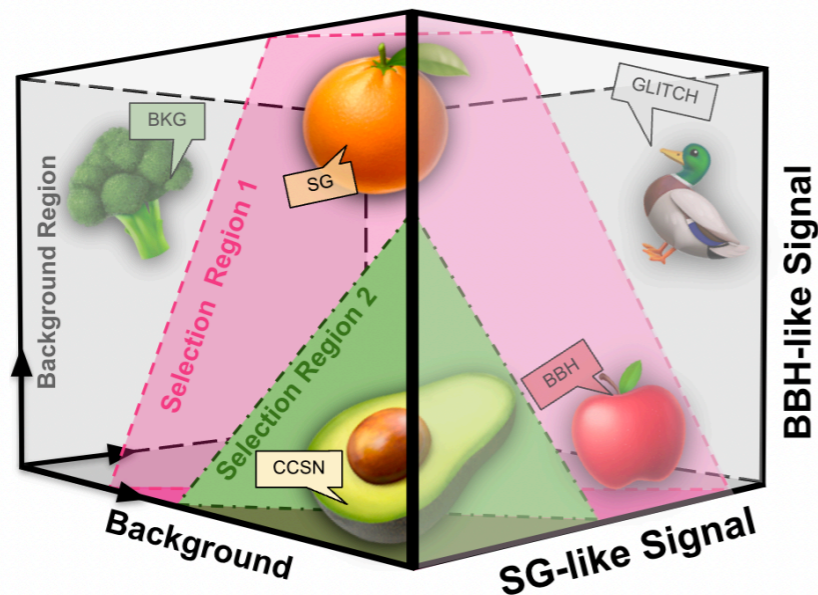
Dax et al. Phys.Rev.Lett. 127, 241103 (2021)

Promising initial results on BNS length waveforms, but needs work and review



More Unknown Unknowns

3D GWAK Space



Semi-supervised approach to gravitational-wave anomaly detection

Raikman et al 2024 Mach. Learn.: Sci. Technol. 5 025020



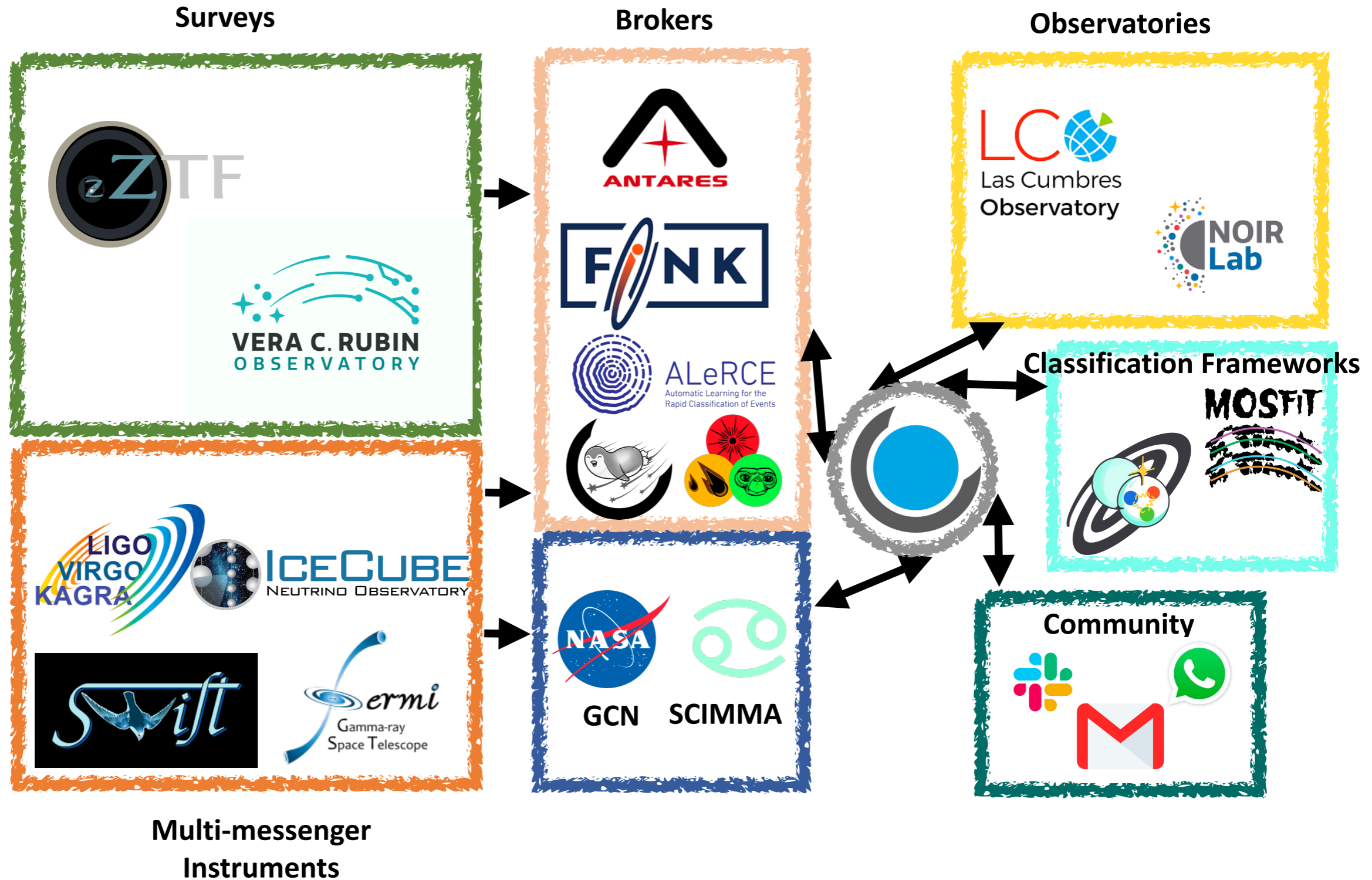
CNN-based search running in real time

Skiris et al, 2009.14611

Need to encourage and support pipelines capable of detection of non-CBC signals!



The Time-Domain Astronomy Ecosystem





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What do you think are the minimum ingredients to make a good real time classification based on your experience?





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Let's get on the same page:

- ❖ The answer is highly dependent on the **science case**
- ❖ The more **information** the better but it can be **expensive** (time, resources)





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The Basics

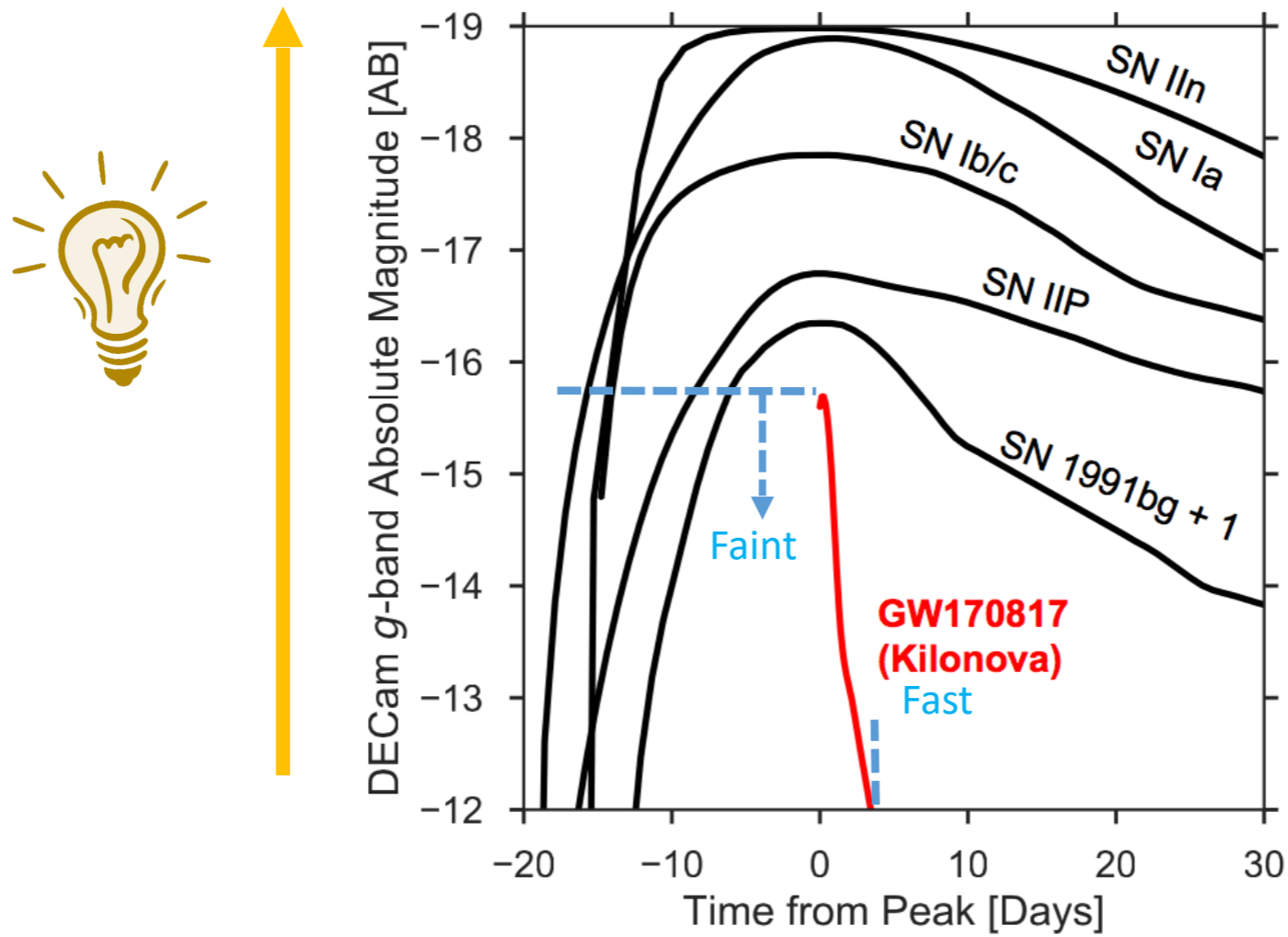
- ❖ Transient being **real**
- ❖ Extragalactic: high b_{Gal} + deep archival images + star/galaxy separ.
- ❖ **Fade rate** ($\Delta m/\Delta t$) — importance of the **cadence** choice

Always welcome: same-night color, history, proximity to a galaxy, photoz





Kilonovae - Hard to find



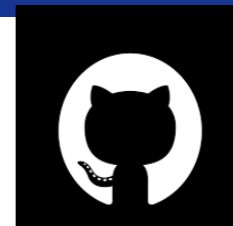
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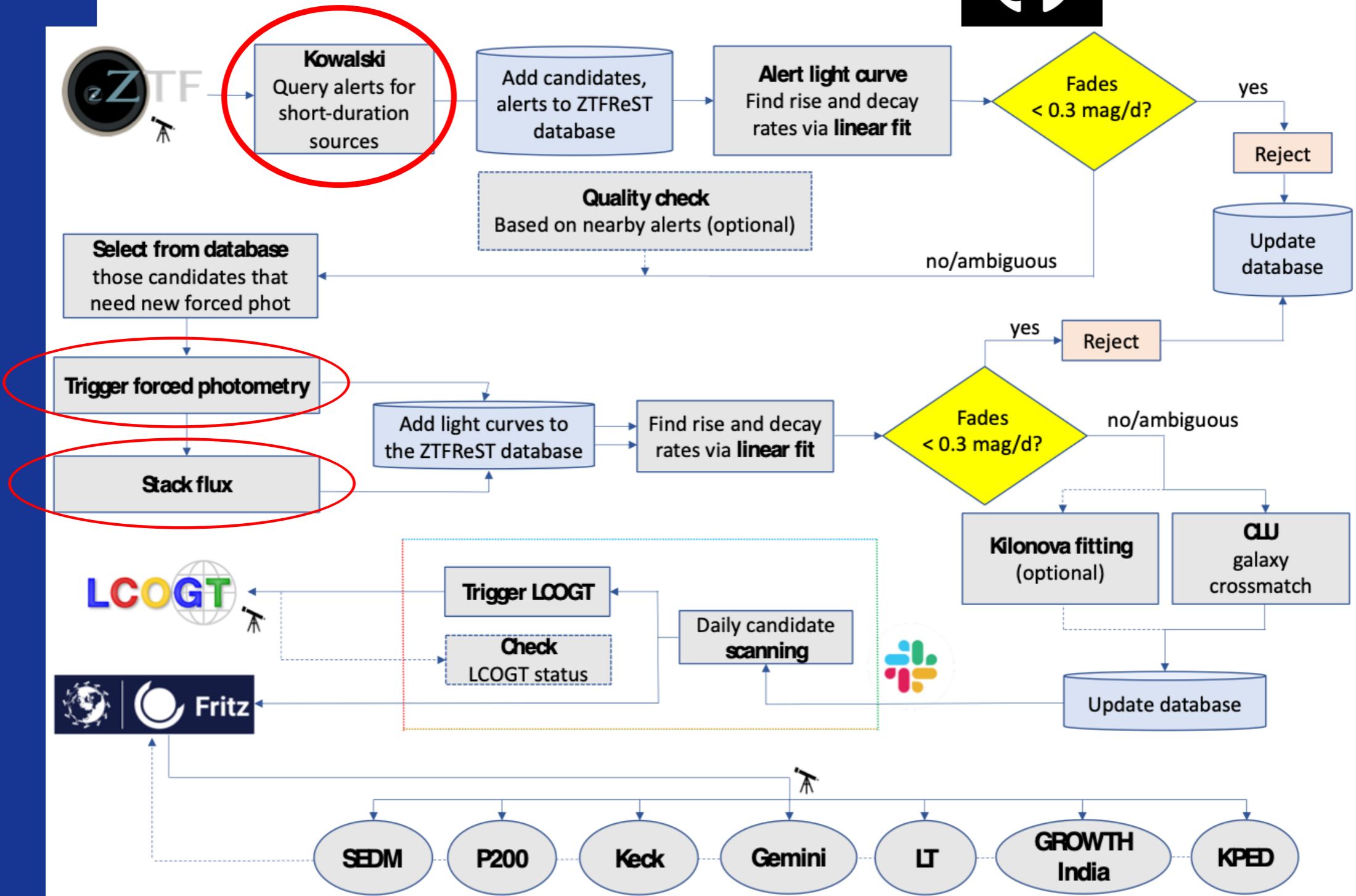
Faint + Fast = hard to catch!



ZTFReST for fast transient discovery



growth-astro/ztfrest





Real Time Discoveries



Igor Andreoni 11:05 AM

@channel Are we re-starting with a bang?!?! <https://fritz.science/source/ZTF22aaajecp>

LS photoz of the closest galaxy: $z = 1.201284 \pm 0.176194$



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My favorite part



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Immediate public reporting



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Rapid follow-up



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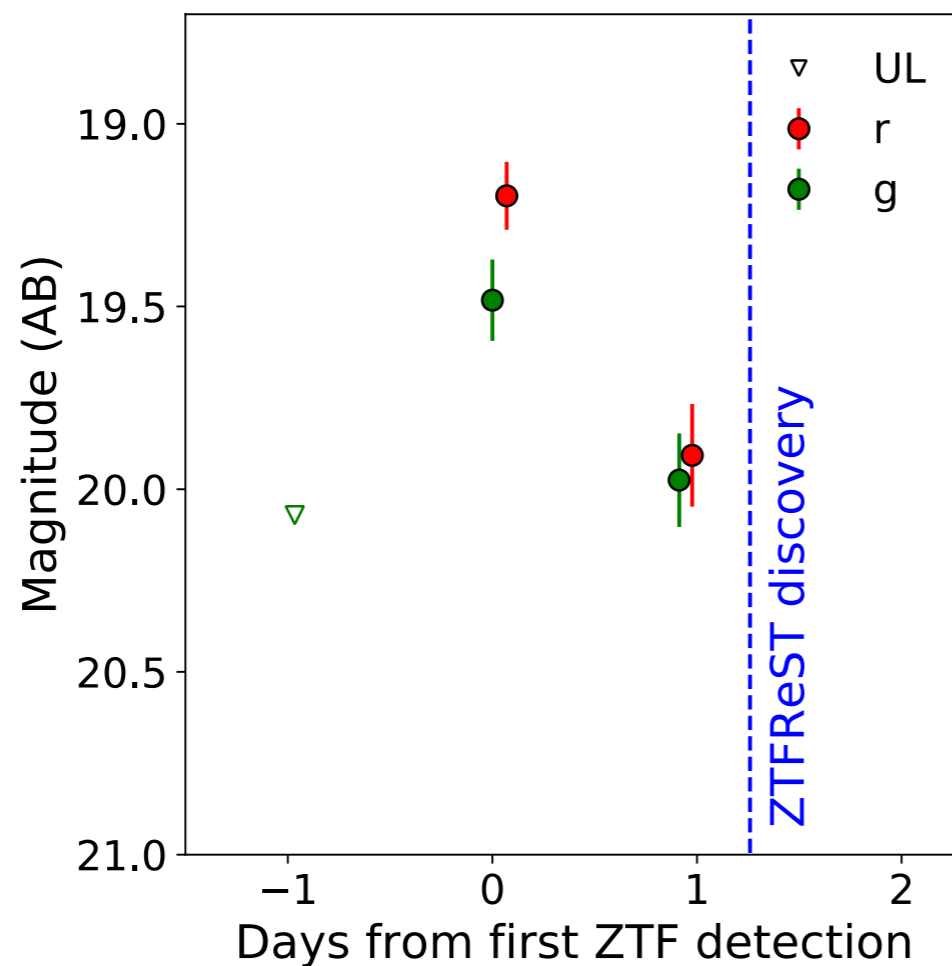
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We have found many transients...

Andreoni & Coughlin et al. (2021), ApJ, 918, 2, 63



Near **real-time** implementation of the search methods used in Andreoni et al. (2020d)

Supernova shock cooling
~ a dozen

Serendipitous GRB afterglows

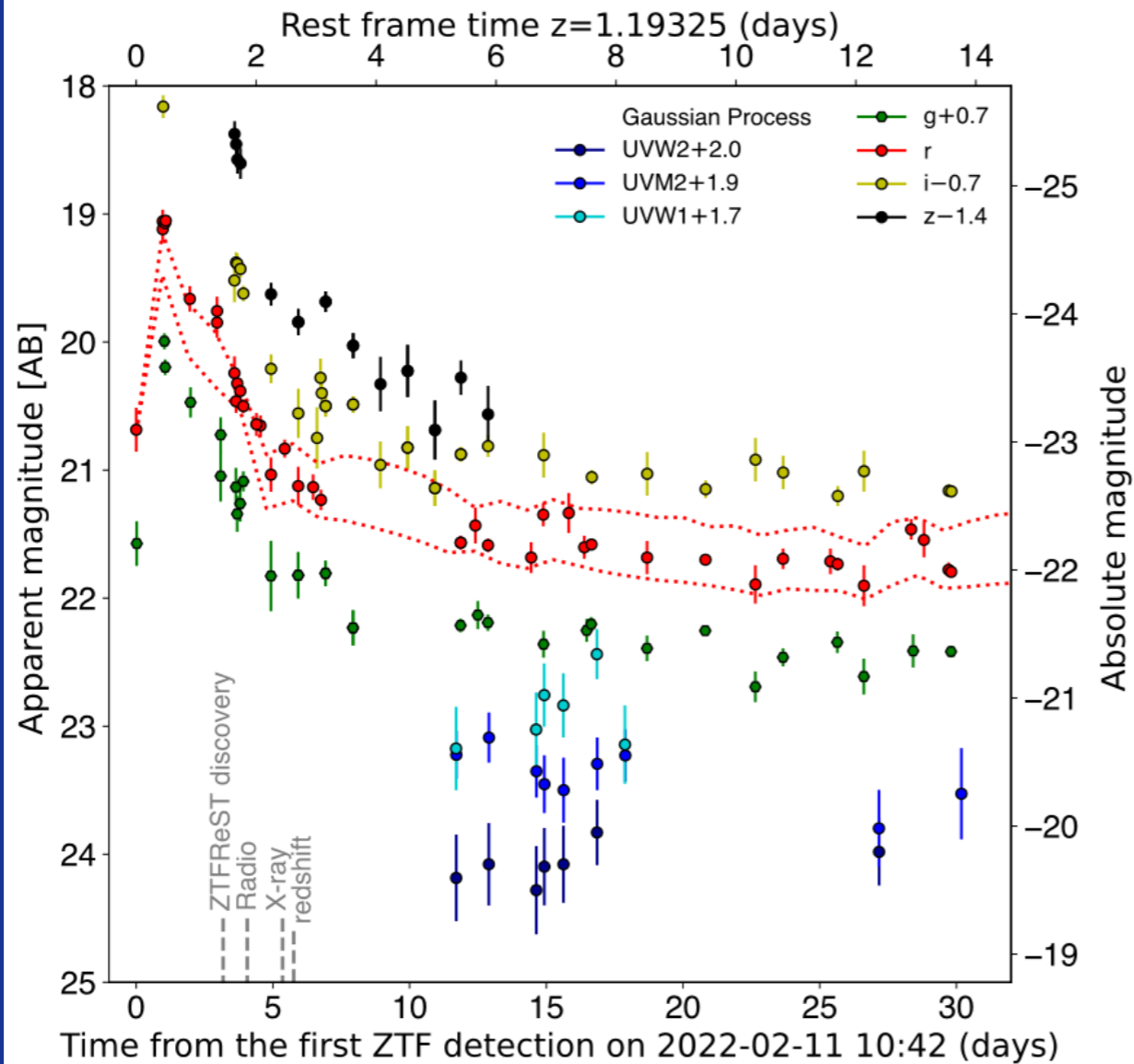
- 5 with GRB association (long)
 - **four confirmed, un-triggered** afterglows w/o GRB association
- see also Ho+2020,2021,2022;
Andreoni+2020d

Kilonovae
Still waiting...

AT2022cmc
a jetted TDE!

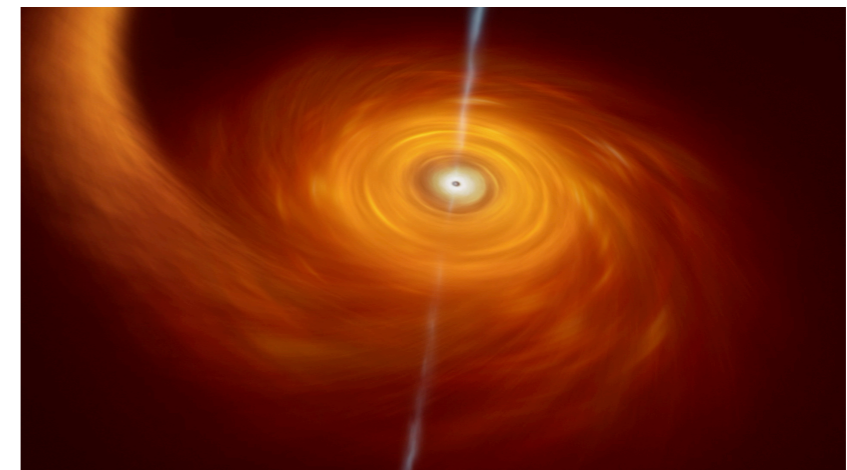


Including some we were not expecting...



A couple of fun facts:

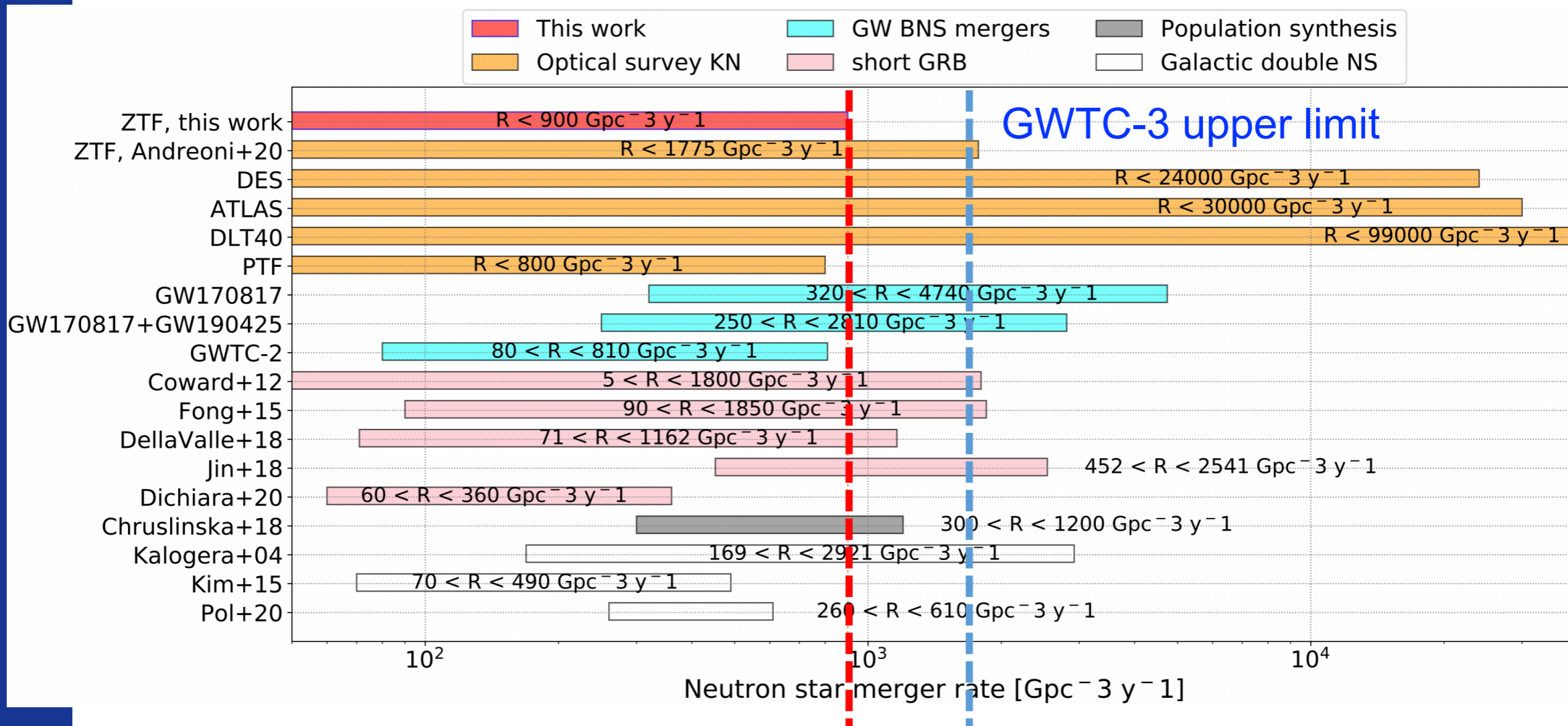
- ❖ **First** relativistic TDE identified in near real time by an optical survey
- ❖ **Furthest** TDE ever found



Andreoni & Coughlin et al. (2022), Nature, 612, 7940



And strongly constrained the rates of those we were...



Andreoni & Coughlin et al. (2021), ApJ, 918, 2, 63

Model grid in Andreoni et al. (2020d), ApJ, 904, 2, 155

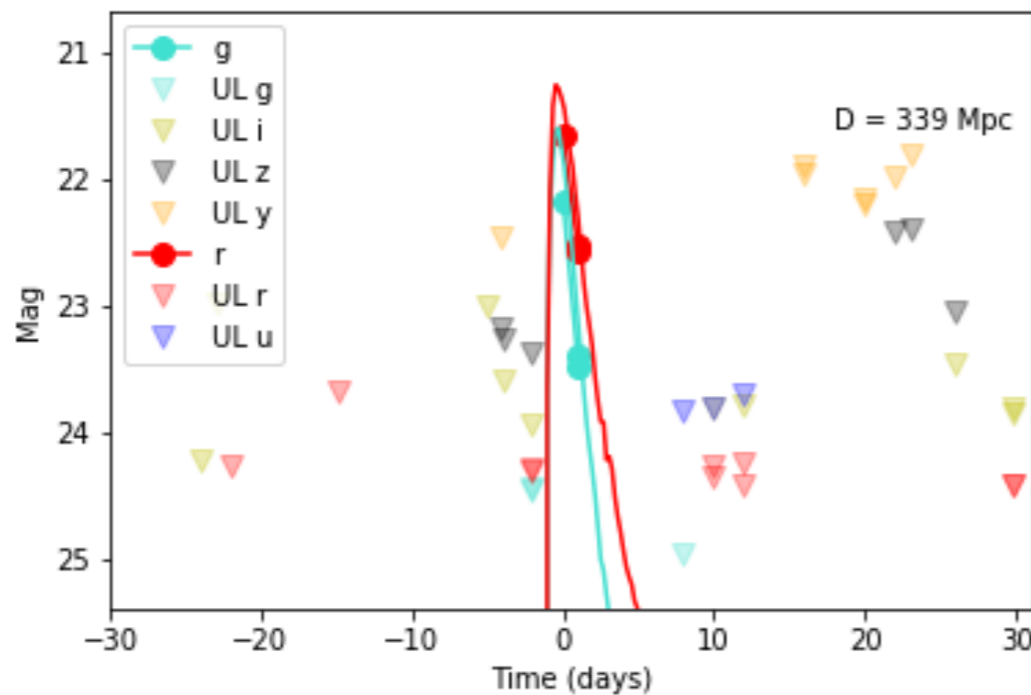
ZTF constrained the rate of GW170817-like kilonovae to be $R < 900 \text{ Gpc}^{-3} \text{y}^{-1}$

[Andreoni, Coughlin+2021, ApJ]

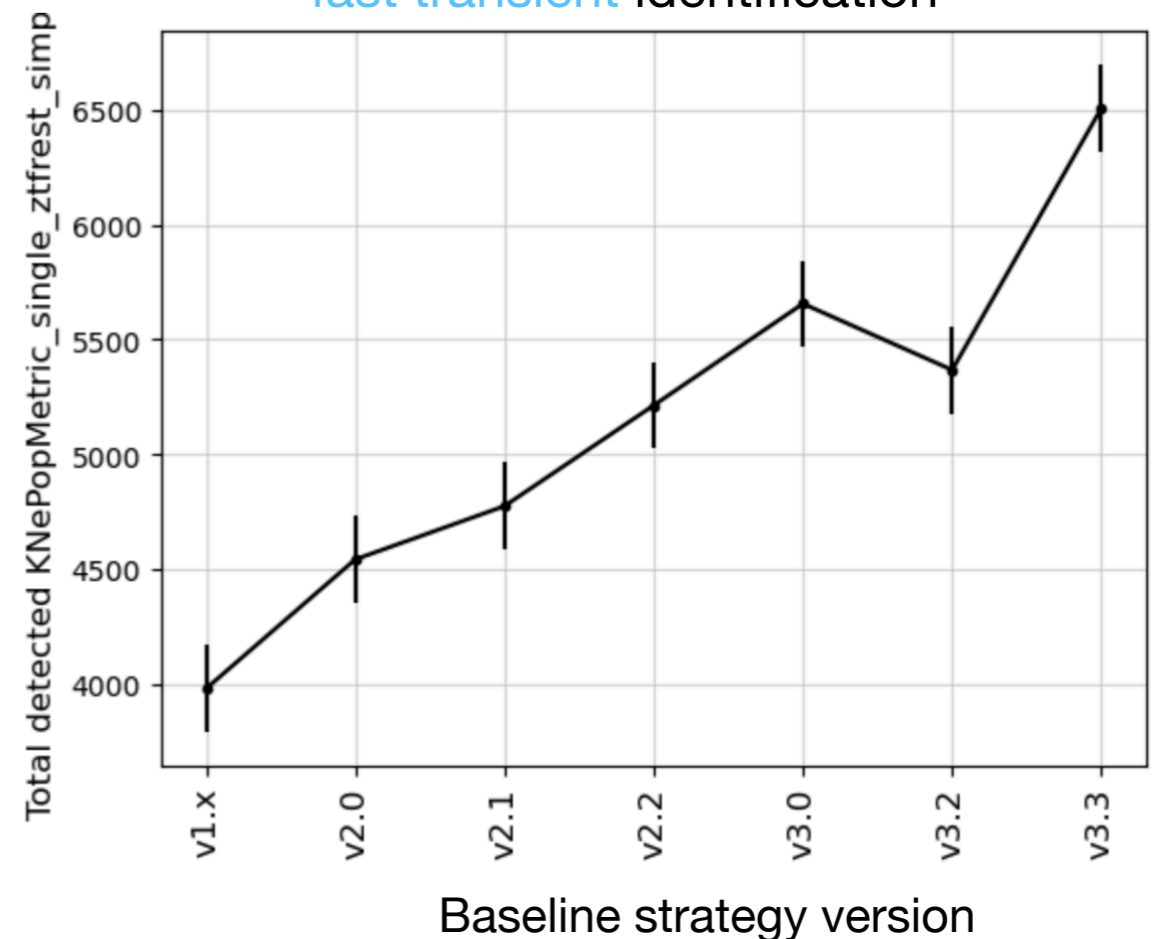


And what about Rubin?

Assuming a rate of $800 \text{ Gpc}^{-3}\text{y}^{-1}$ and a uniform luminosity function, ~ 350 GW170817-like kilonovae are expected to be present in Rubin data, but only $3 - 32$ might be identified using ZTFReST-like algorithms



TVS metric for
fast transient identification



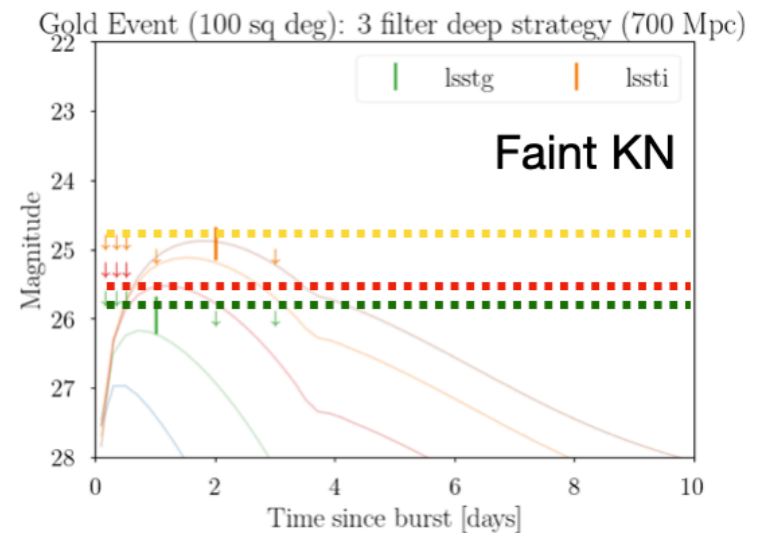
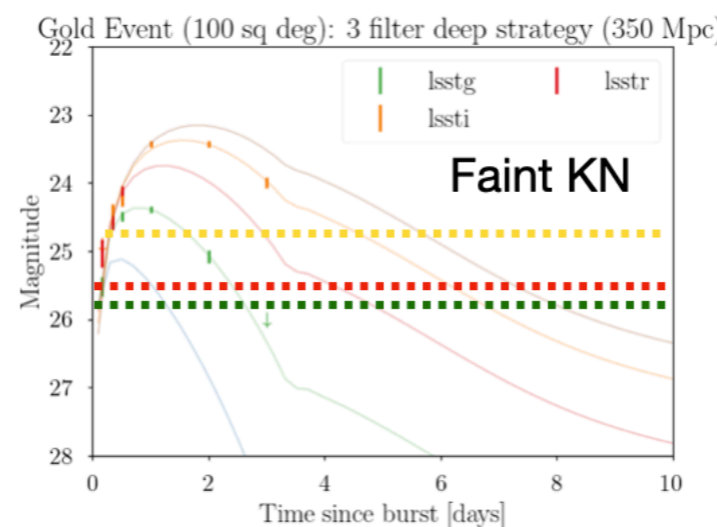
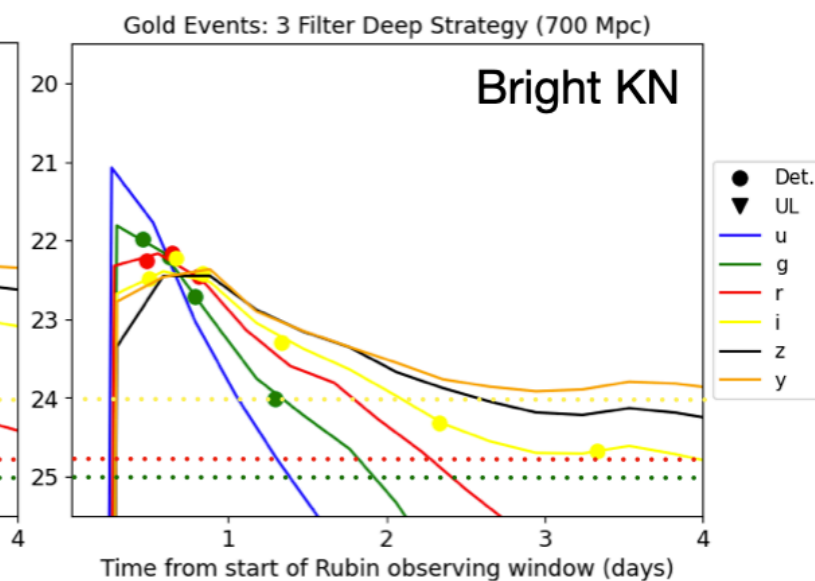
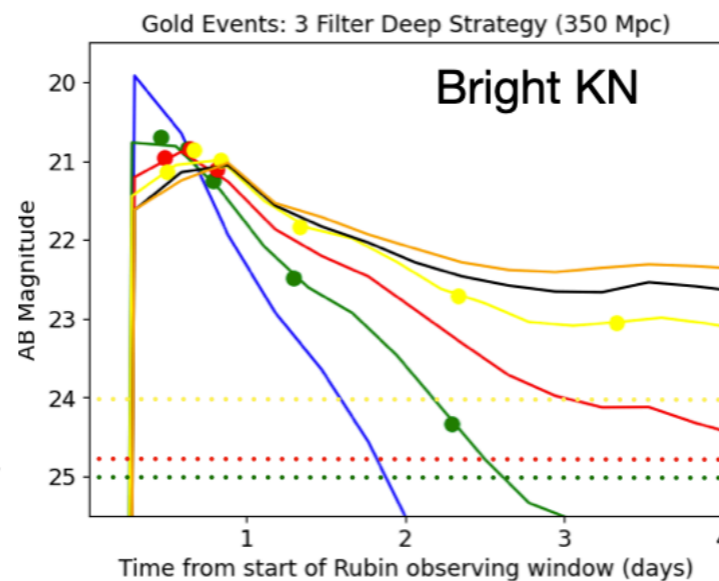
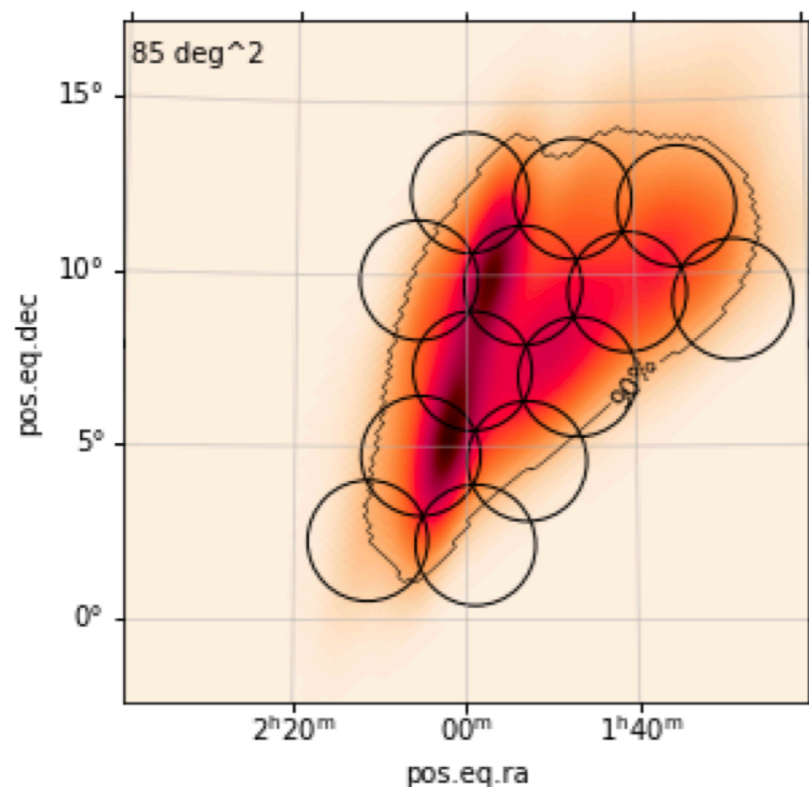


And what about Rubin ToOs?

“We expect to discover ~ 10 counterparts to NS–NS mergers and probe the existence of EM counterparts to ~ 15 NS–BH mergers per year during O5” [Andreoni et al 2022b, ApJS]

Update: “6 BNS and up to 2 NS-BH events per year with $\Omega < 100$ square degrees”.

https://lssttooworkshop.github.io/images/Rubin_2024_ToO_workshop_final_report.pdf





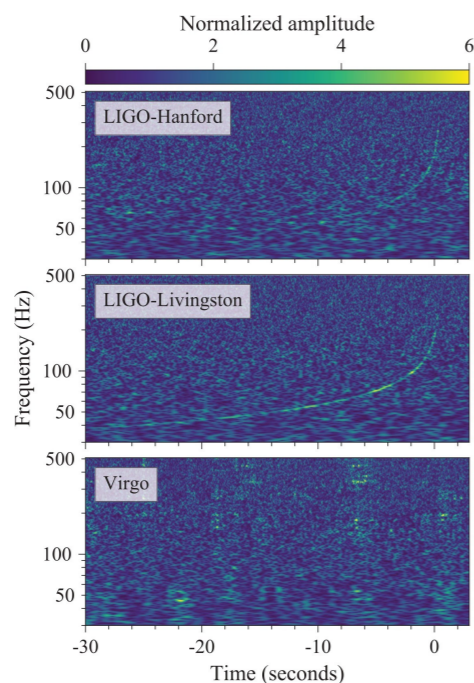
A nuclear physics and multi-messenger framework (NMMA)

github.com/nuclear-multimessenger-astronomy

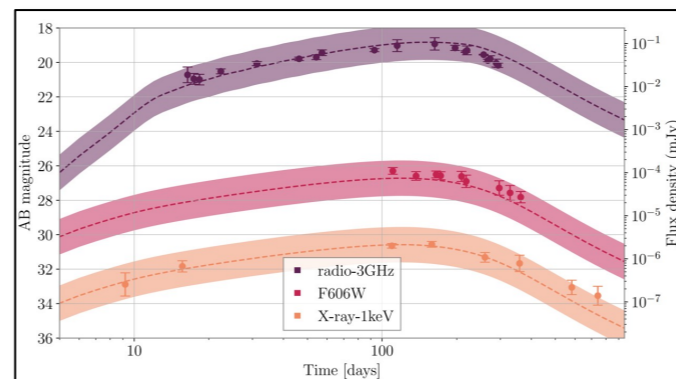
The screenshot shows the GitHub organization page for "Nuclear Multimessenger Astronomy". At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Product, Team, Enterprise, Explore, Marketplace, and Pricing, along with a search bar and "Sign in" and "Sign up" buttons. The organization's profile includes a teal logo, the name "Nuclear Multimessenger Astronomy", and an email address. Below this, there are tabs for Overview, Repositories (with a count of 2), Projects, Packages, and People. The "Pinned" section features a repository named "nmma", described as a pythonic library for nuclear physics and cosmology analysis, with 5 stars and 13 forks. The "Repositories" section has a search bar and filters for Type, Language, and Sort. It lists two repositories: "nmma" (Python, 5 stars, MIT affiliation, 13 forks, 8 commits, 3 issues, updated 12 days ago) and "nuclear-multimessenger-astronomy" (Public, Config files for my GitHub profile, 0 stars, 0 forks, 0 commits, 0 issues, updated on 2 Feb). On the right side, the "People" section states that the organization has no public members, and the "Top languages" section shows Python as the primary language.



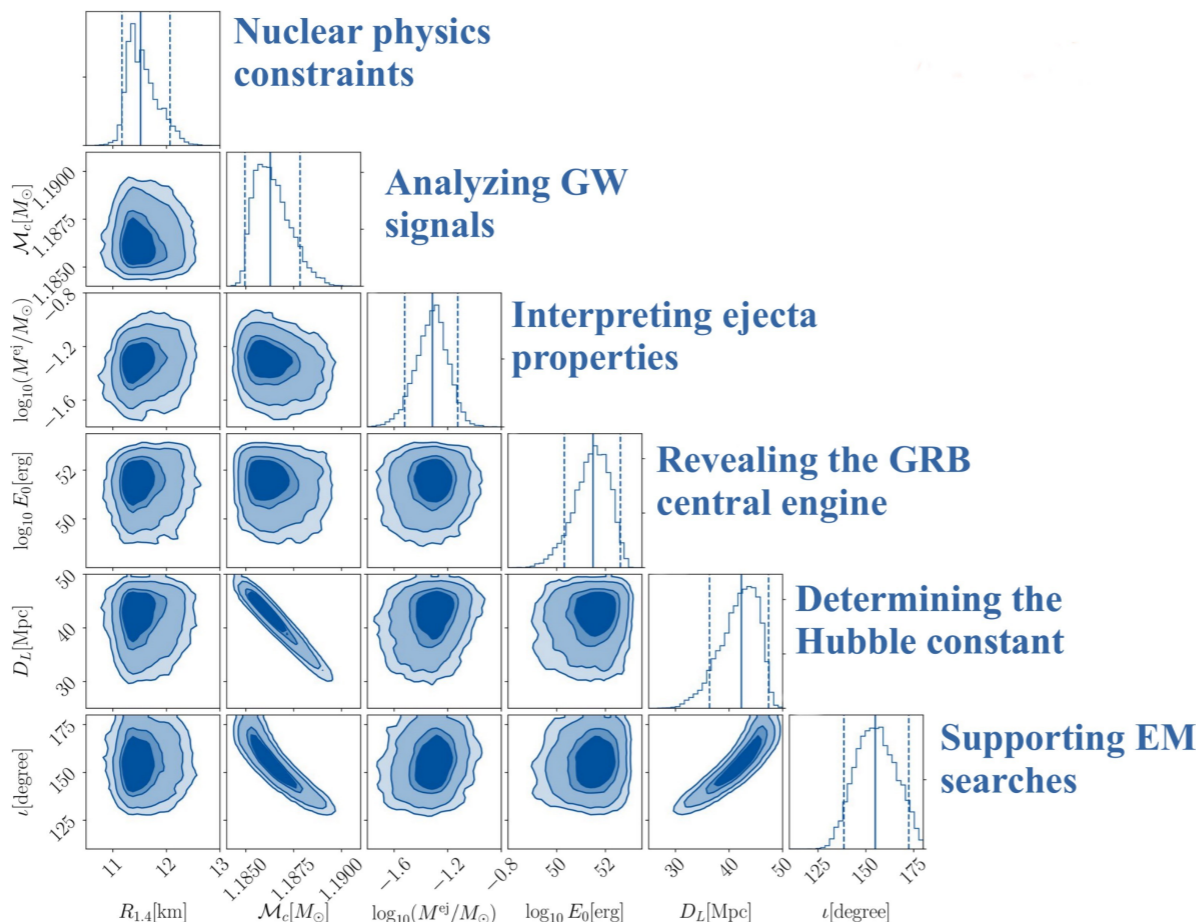
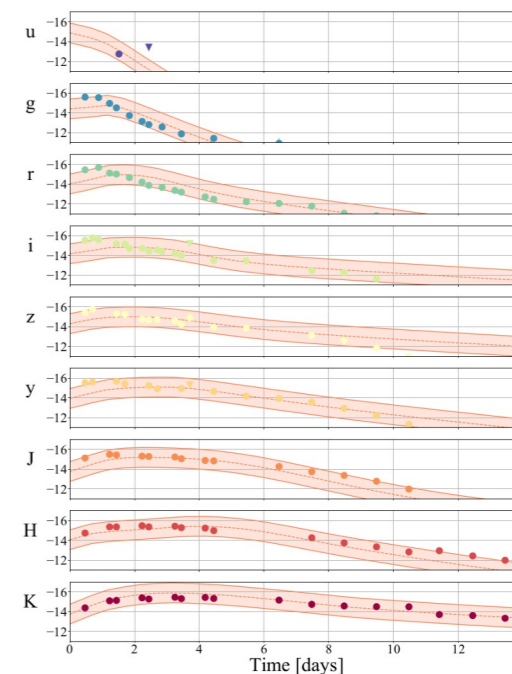
NMMA - Consider using it!



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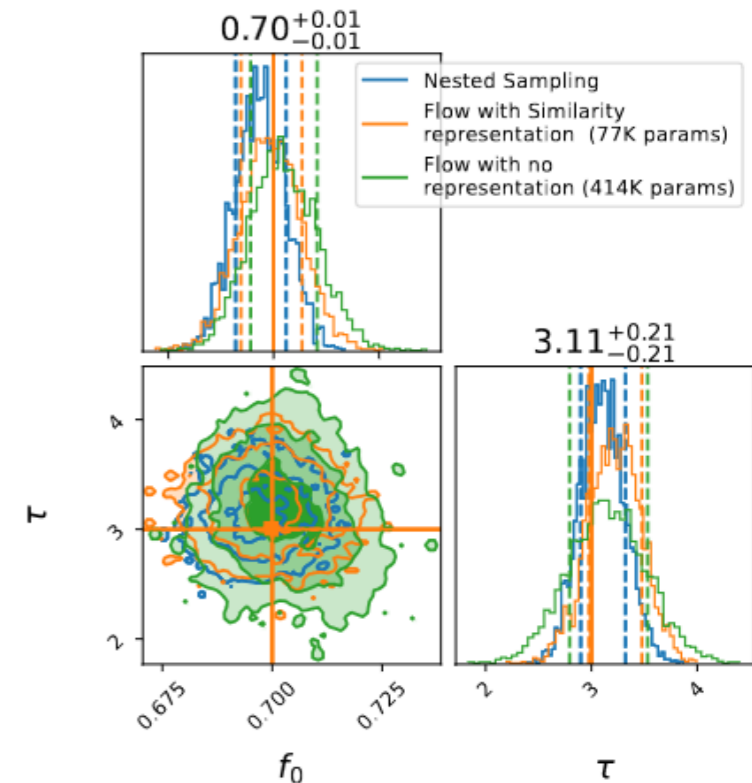
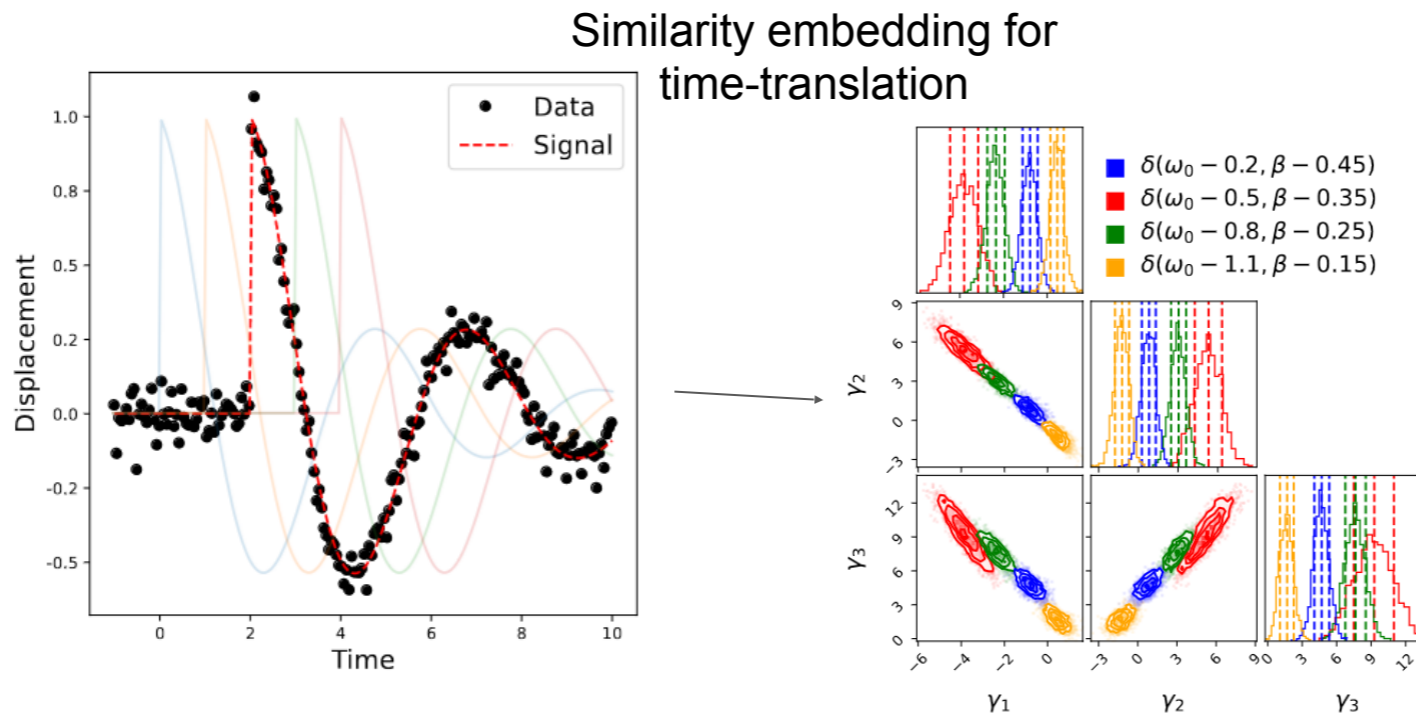


- incorporation of nuclear-physics information
- simultaneous analysis of GW, kilonova, and GRB afterglow
- (some) unit testing and (growing) documentation!
- Used in online kilonova searches
- HPC facilities needed

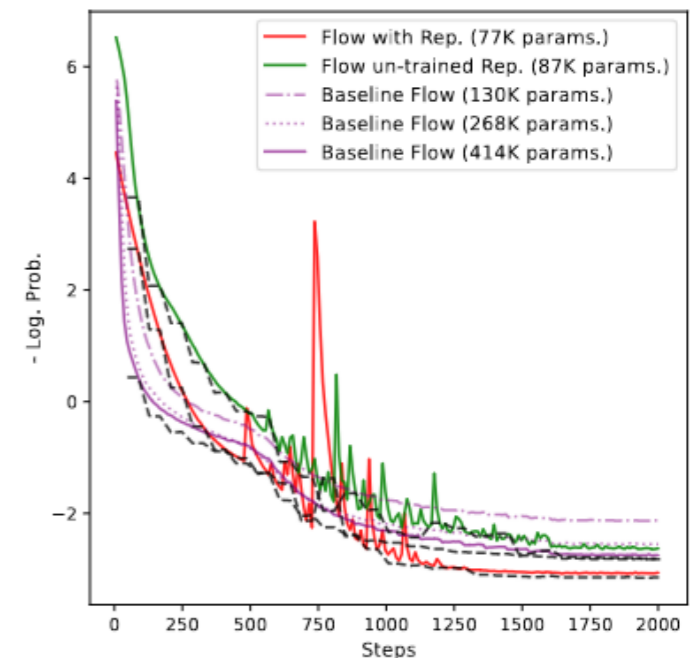


Similarity Imbeddings in Likelihood Free Inference

Proof of concept demonstration of incorporating symmetries and optimizing likelihood free inference

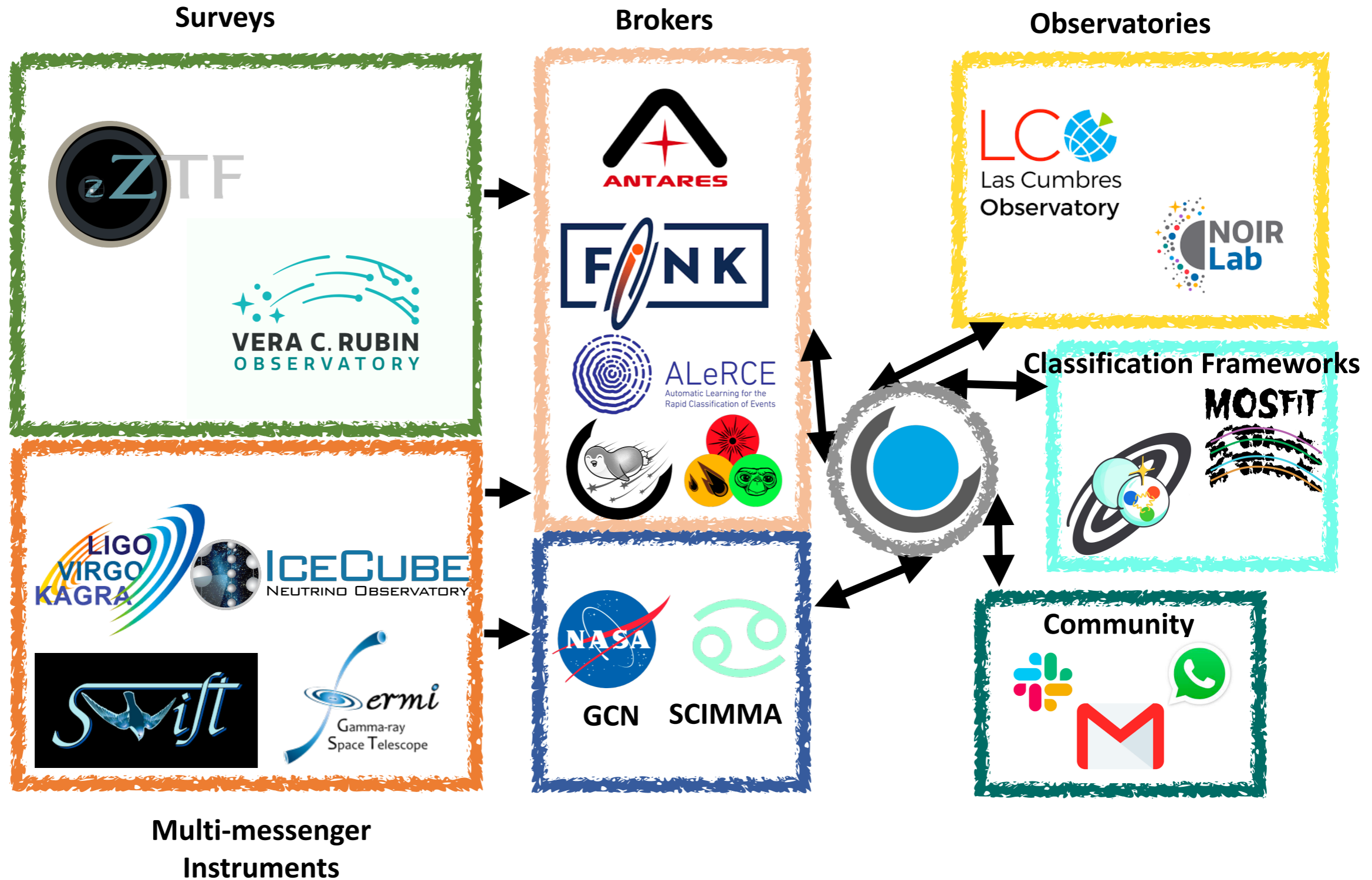


Similar performance at lower number of parameters. Currently exploring avenues to marginalize nuisance parameters in GW and lightcurve parameter estimation.





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SkyPortal: Overview

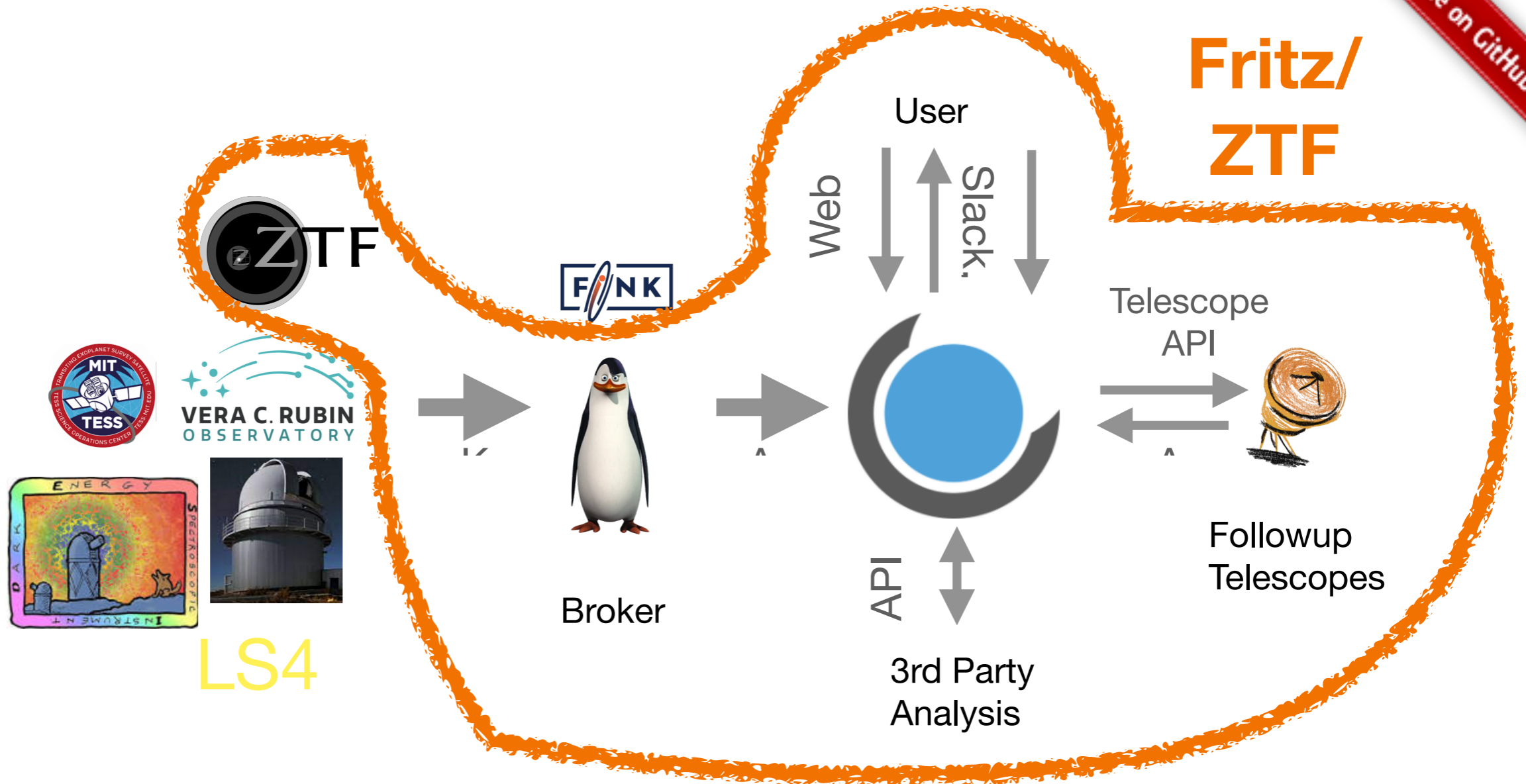
A **portal** utilizing secure modern web technologies, **scaling** effectively, and is highly **highly customizable** and extensible to various astronomy workflows related to ZTF, LSST, LS4, and other surveys. A single-source-of-truth **marshal** for transient, variable, and Solar system science cases. Facilitates **follow-up observation management**: robotic and classical facilities

- ▶ Open source (free to use, modify, and distribute)
- ▶ API-first system: rich APIs for machine usage
- ▶ Extensible & scalable design
- ▶ Fine-grained access control, Authentication via Social/OAuth
- ▶ Real-time Slack-like messaging, notifications
- ▶ Rich visualization capabilities
- ▶ MMA planning, telescope triggering, follow-up management
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- ▶ Distributed computation via Dask
- ▶ Docker compose or Kubernetes deployment
- ▶ Well-tested, extensive docs, CI/CD



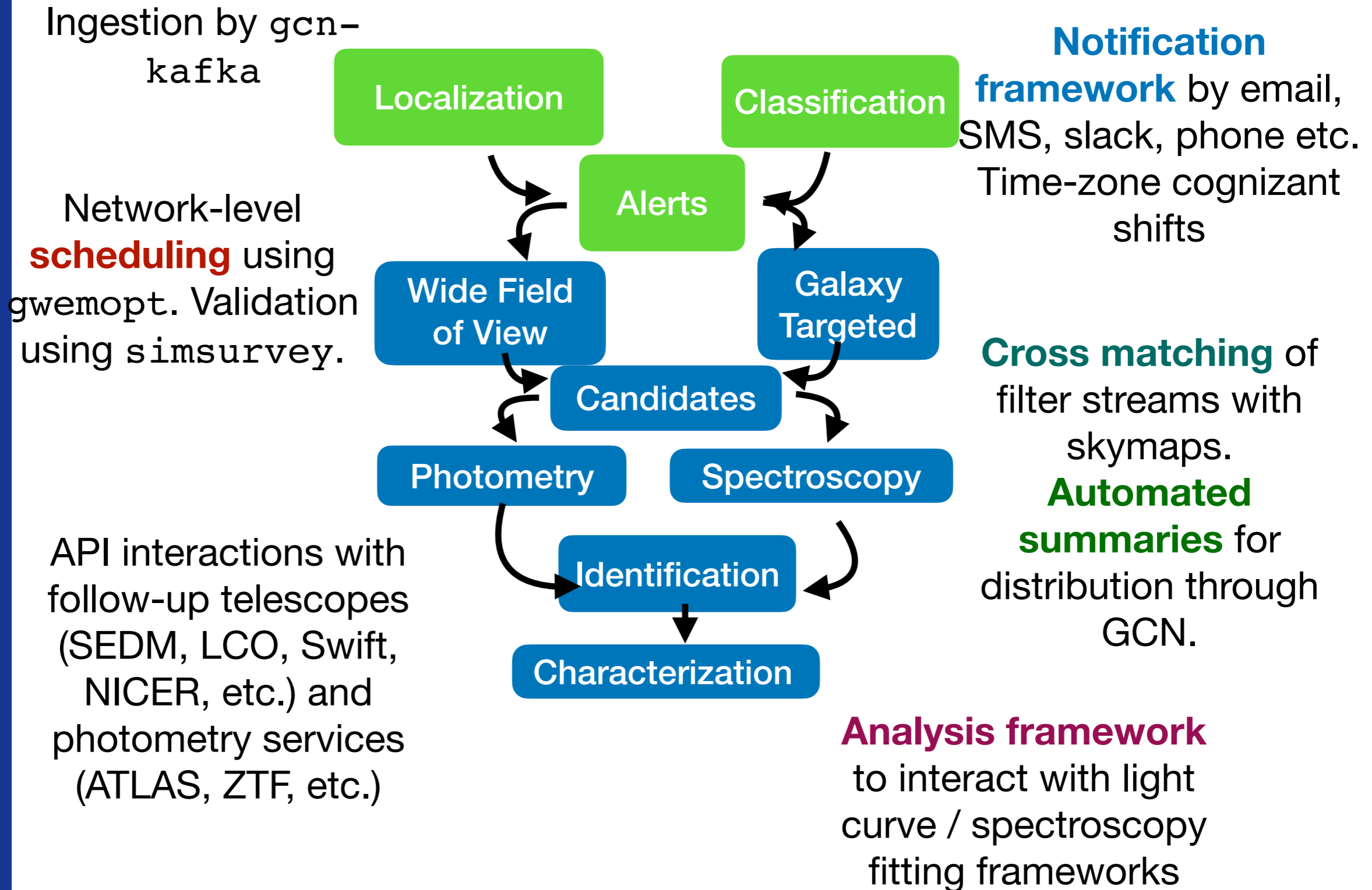
SkyPortal: In Context

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SkyPortal: O4 workflow





ZTF Source Classification Project

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ZwickyTransientFacility / scope Public

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bfhealy Sort light curves to be monotonically increasing in time (#315) 157c817 22 minutes ago 203 commits

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About SCoPe: ZTF source classification project
zwickytransientfacility.github.io/scop...
Readme
MIT license
5 stars
5 watching
17 forks

Contributors 12

Languages
Python 71.3%
Jupyter Notebook 18.3%
Fortran 7.7%
Shell 2.7%

- Open-source
- Python-based
- CI/CD pipeline
- Regularly updated docs

Supervised, active learning: training set built up over time (w/human input)

Two taxonomies: ontological (intrinsic), phenomenological (light curve shape)

Data release on Zenodo: <https://zenodo.org/records/11127912>

**(van Roestel et al. 2021,
Coughlin et al. 2021,
Healy et al. 2024)**



SkyPortal: In Production

6.8M
Source Views

3.6M
Sources

540M
**Photometry
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6.4k
GCN Events

403
Users

223k
Comments

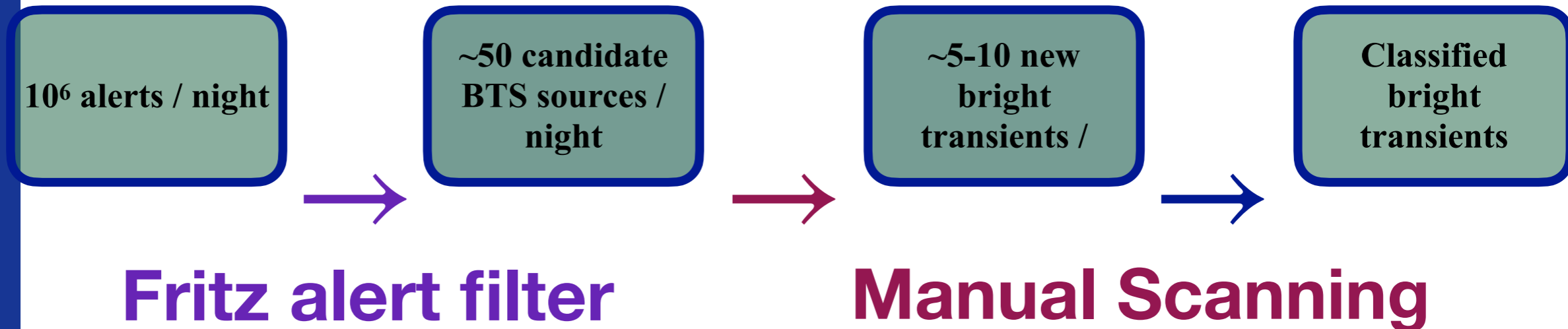
4.3M
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Candidates



The Bright Transient Survey





BTSSBot

10⁶ alerts / night

~50 candidate
BTS sources /
night

~5-10 new
bright
transients /

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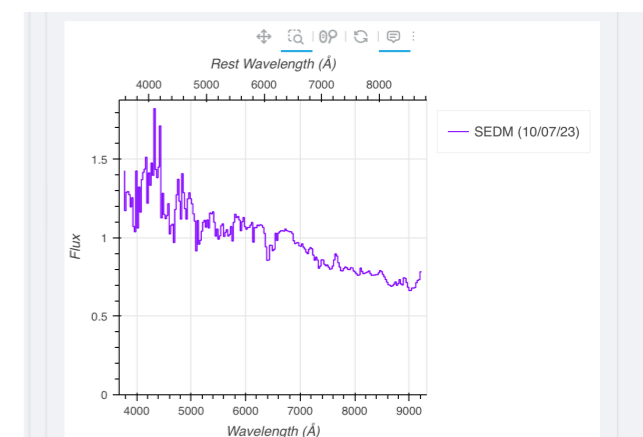
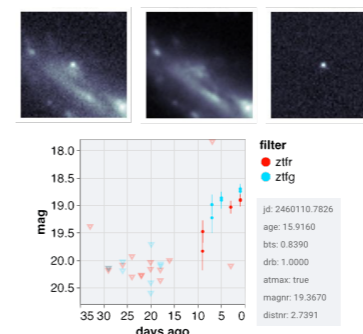
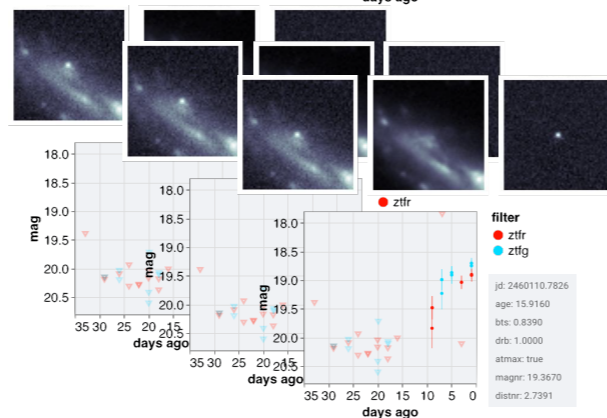
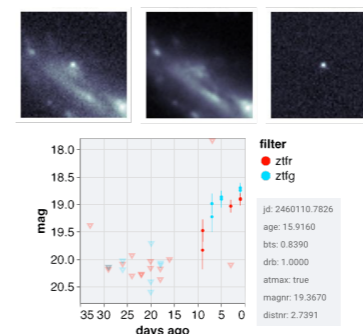
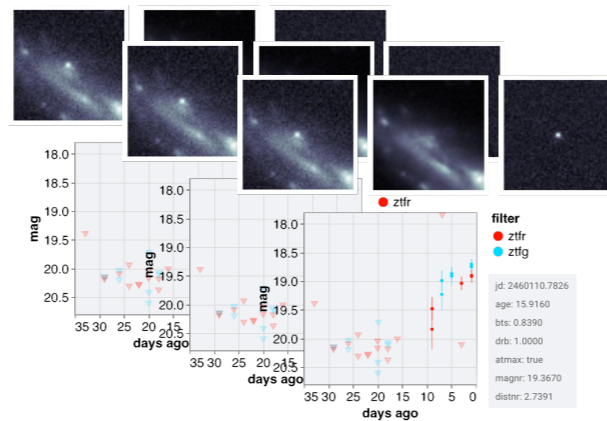
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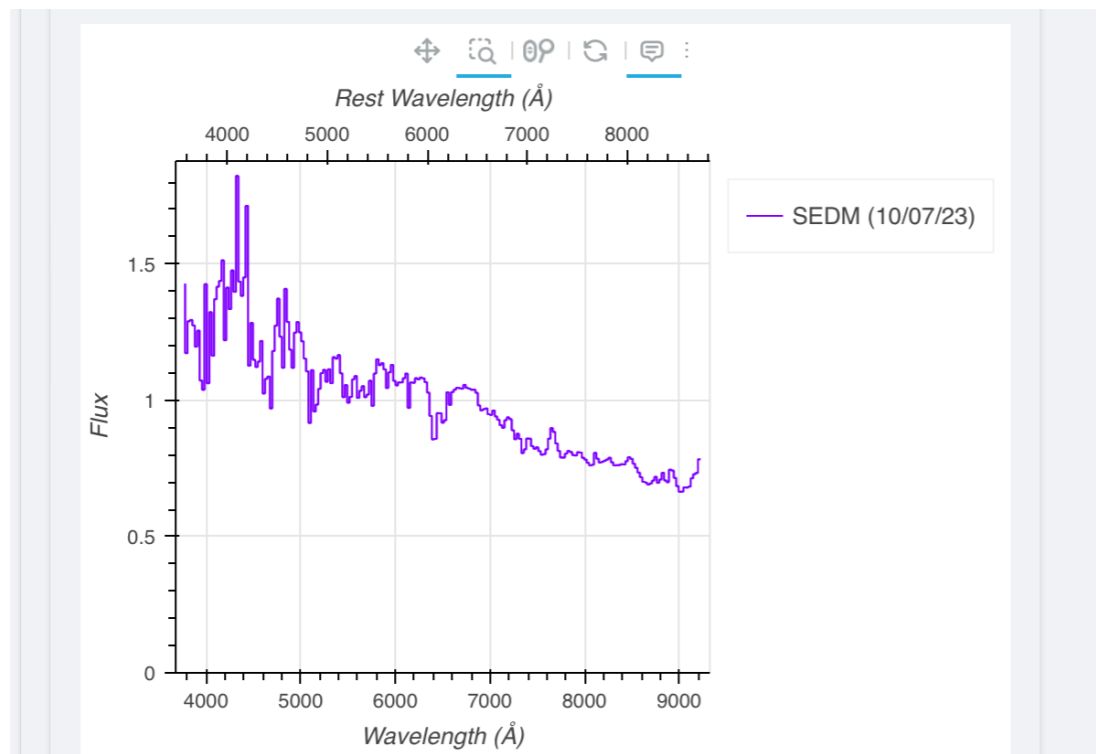
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World's First: Fully automatic from discovery to TNS



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Classification:
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Redshift: 0.0562 ± 0.0001 DM: 37.071 mag D_L : 259.52 Mpc

NEW 	REF 	SUB
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Nabeel Rehemtulla
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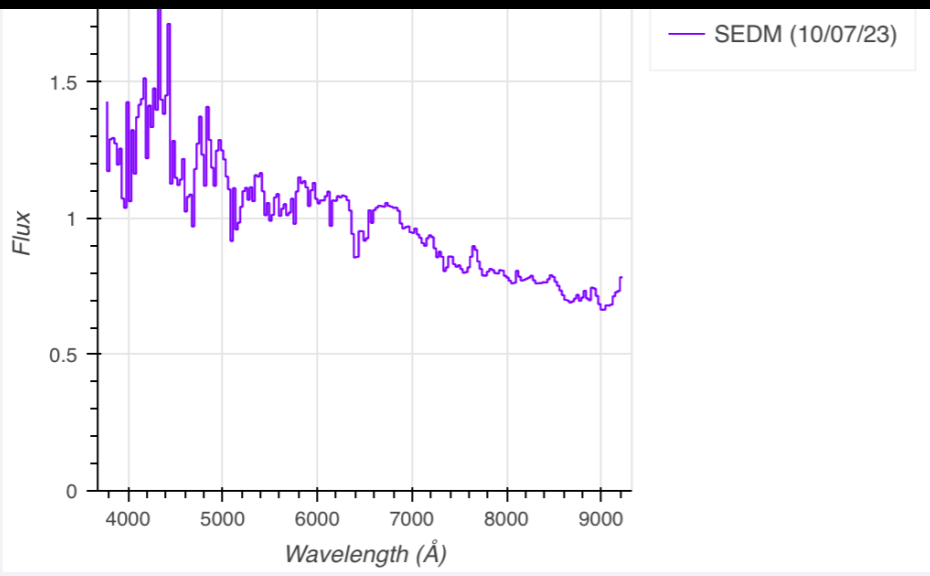
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Up to ~70 fully automated classifications, ~96% purity for BTSEBot, “very very complete” - Nabeel



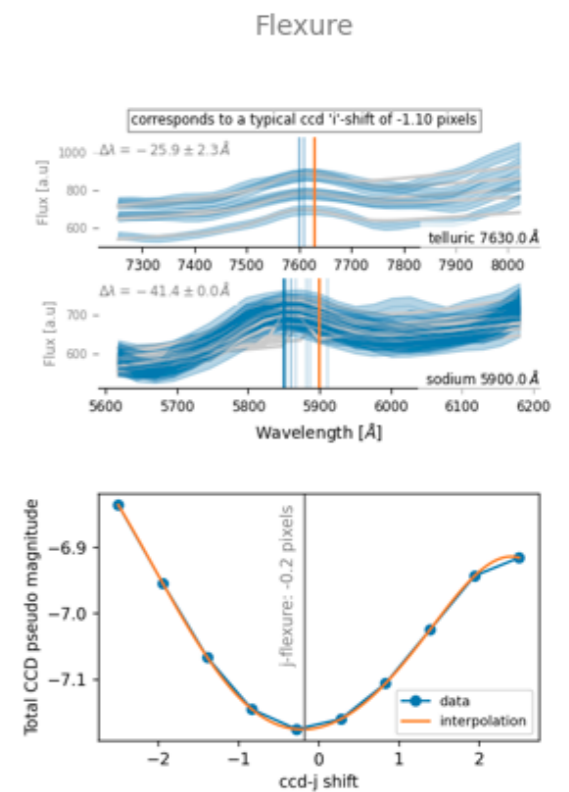
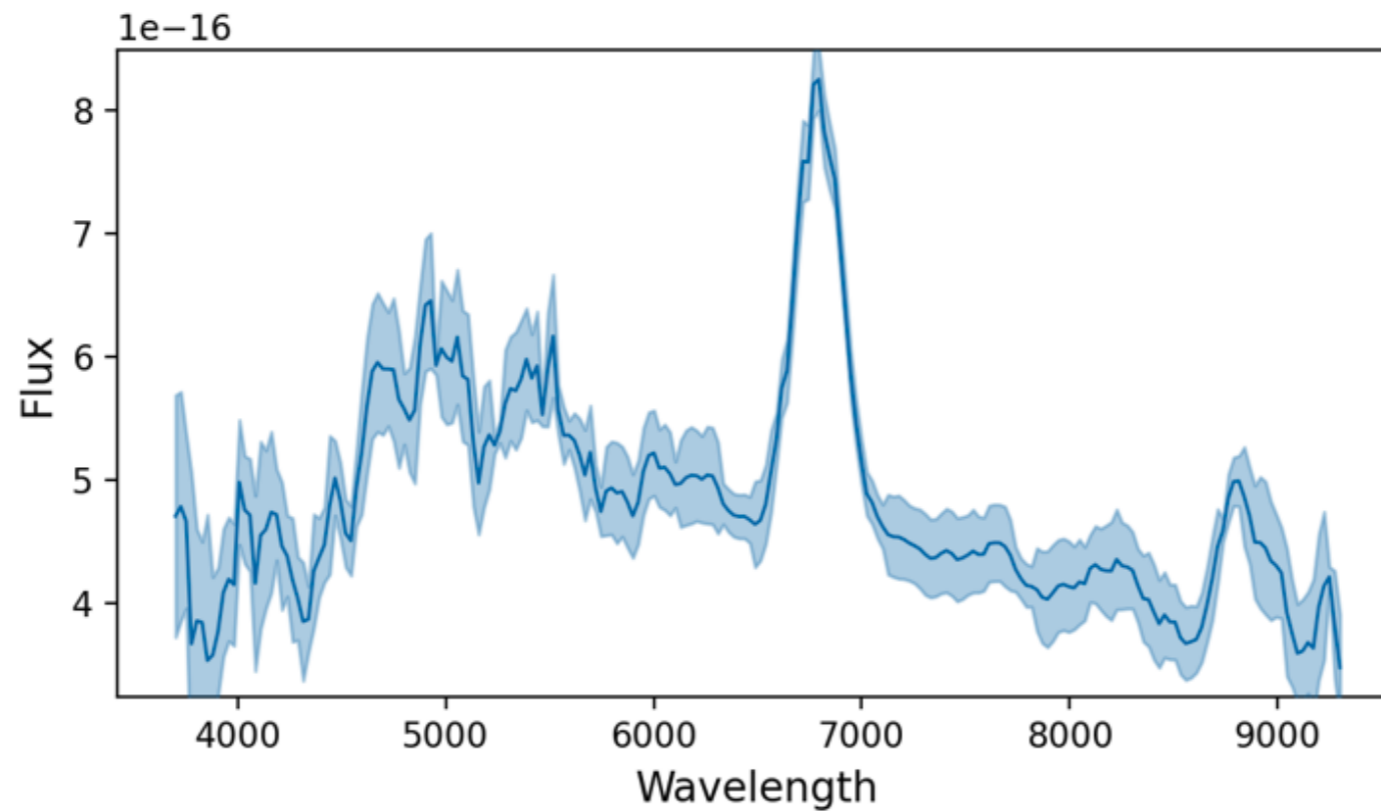
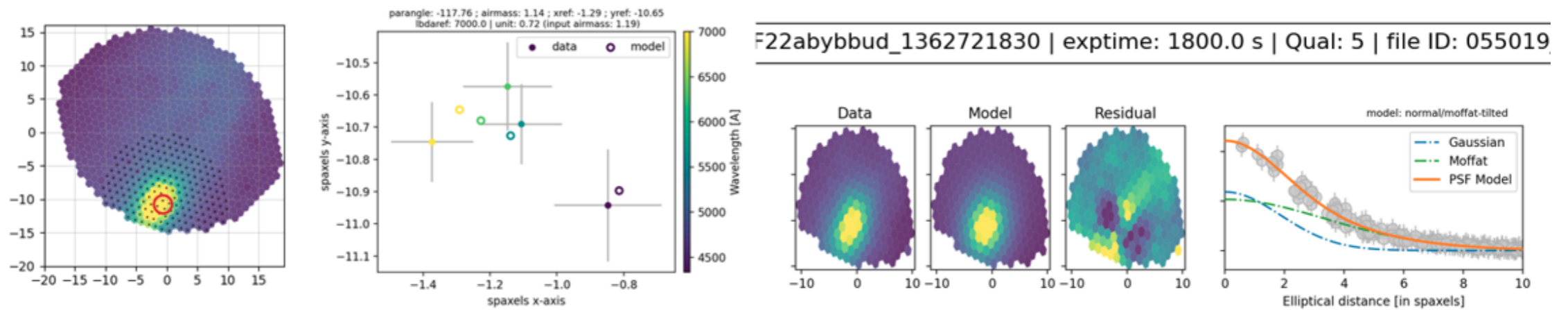
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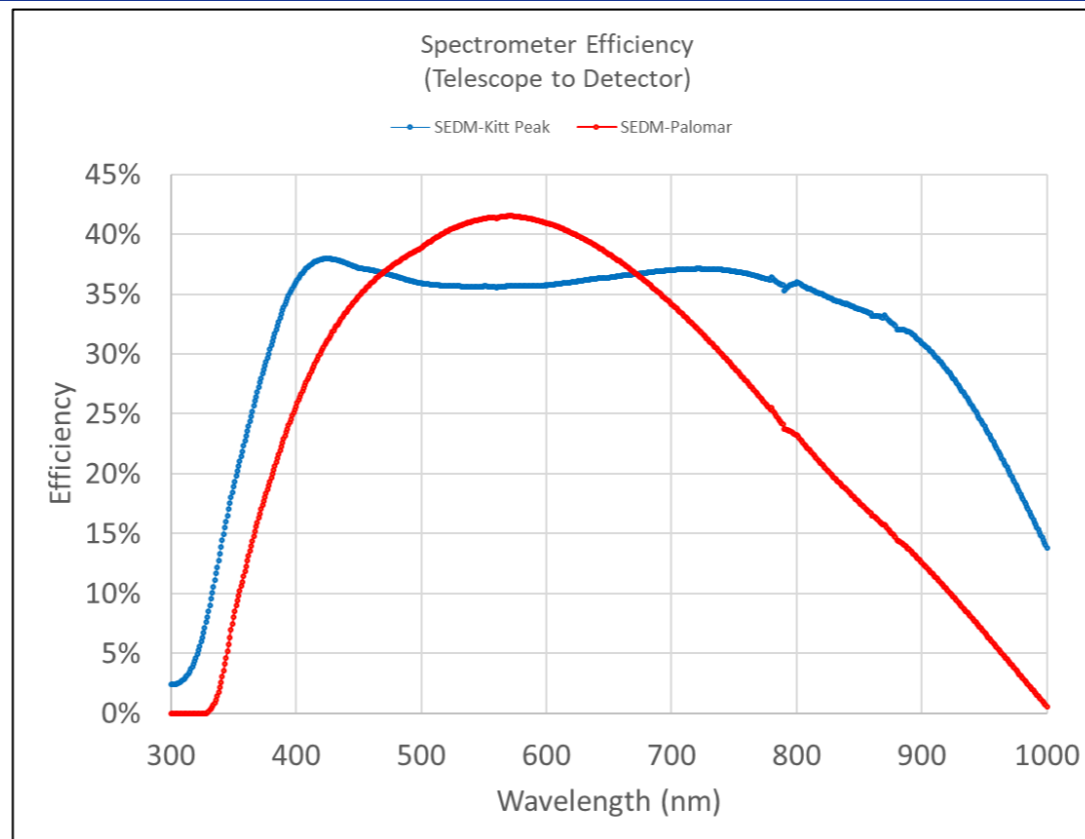
SED Machine - Kitt Peak: First Science Observations



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SED Machine - Kitt Peak



Kitt Peak 2.1m: Facility Specs

- Primary: 2.1m (84in)
- 2x P60 area = +0.75mag
- Secondary: f/7.6
- Automated for KPED

Kitt Peak 2.1m: Facility History

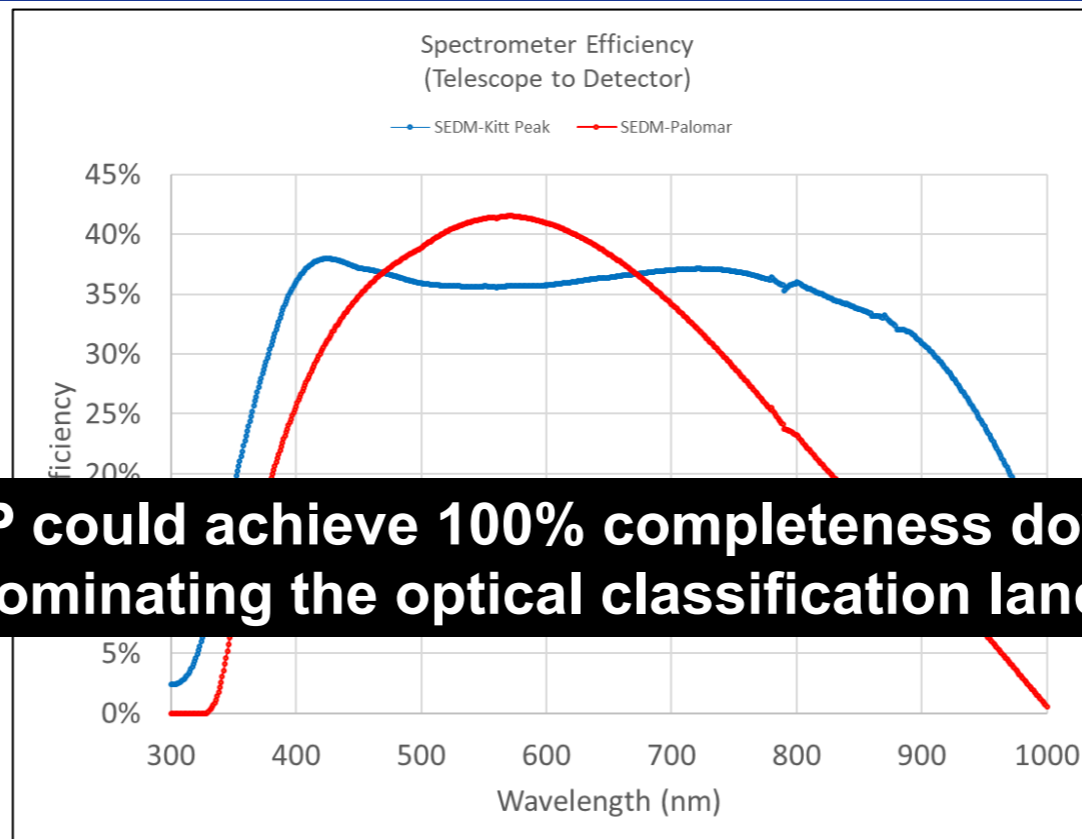
- 3yrs with RoboAO
- 2yr with KPED

Instrument improvements over v1

- Optimize IFU wavelength coverage and throughput
- Optimize imager FOV
- Reduce number of optics
- Improved QE response in imager
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SED Machine - Kitt Peak



SEDM-KP could achieve 100% completeness down to 19+ mag (dominating the optical classification landscape)

Kitt Peak 2.1m: Facility Specs

- Primary: 2.1m (84in)
- 2x P60 area = +0.75mag
- Secondary: f/7.6
- Automated for KPED

Kitt Peak 2.1m: Facility History

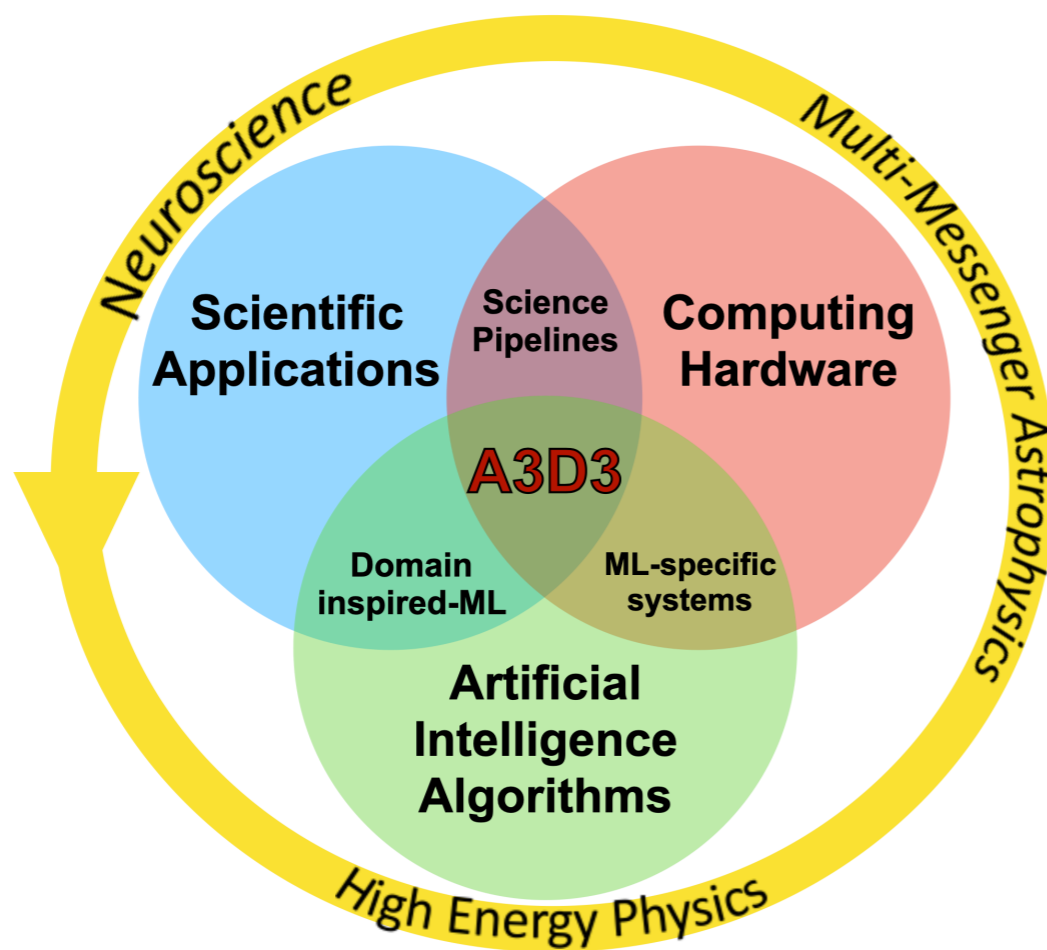
- 3yrs with RoboAO
- 2yr with KPED

Instrument improvements over v1

- Optimize IFU wavelength coverage and throughput
- Optimize imager FOV
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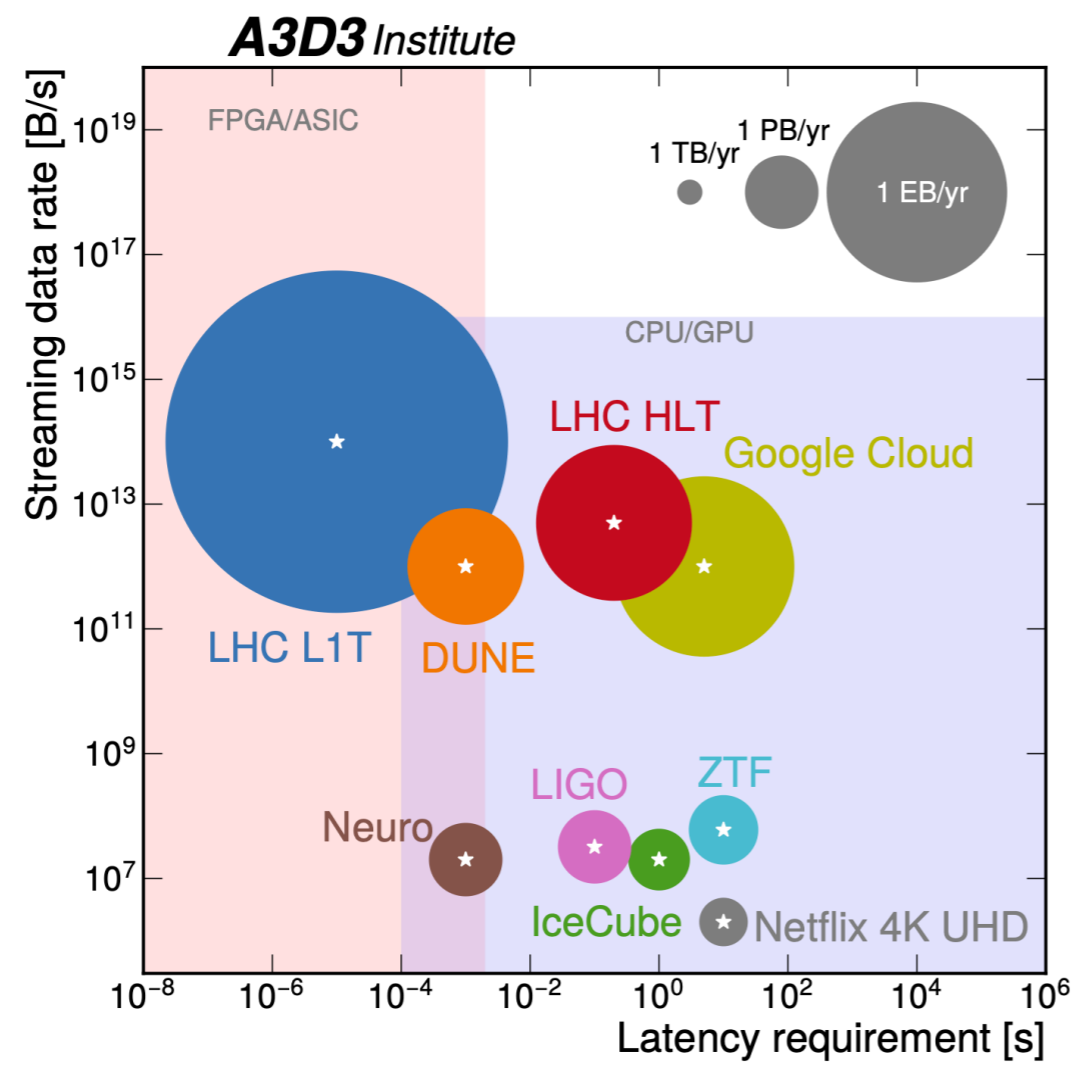
NSF HDR Institute: Accelerated Artificial Intelligence Algorithms for Data Driven Discovery



- Integration of three core components: **domain scientists**, **computer scientists** and **hardware engineers**
- Leading a paradigm shift in the application of **real-time AI at scale** to advance science and engineering discoveries.



NSF HDR Institute: Accelerated Artificial Intelligence Algorithms for Data Driven Discovery



- **High Energy Physics at the LHC driving technology frontier**
 - Both data size and streaming rates of large-scale experiments exceed those handled by industry leaders.
- **New opportunities for applications by accelerating ML/AI algorithms with co-processors**



A3D3: Post-Bac Program

- Unique program within our domains
- 1-year program
- Aim to increase opportunities for women and underrepresented groups in STEM (African American/Black, Chicano/Latino, Native American/Alaska Native, Native Hawaiiin/Pacific Islander, and Filipino)
- Act as a “bridge” to graduate school or industry

Year 1 Cohort

Abby Gray

Host Institute : University of Minnesota
 Research supervisor(s): Dr. Michael Coughlin

Short Intro: Hi! I'm Abby. I'm from New Jersey and graduated in 2021 with a degree in Astrophysics from Colorado College (CC). I spent the last academic year working for the CC physics department and am excited to continue my physics journey this year! Aside from physics, I have a deep love for the outdoors, the ocean, flying, and solo traveling.



Research domain:
Astrophysics

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Lauren Peterson

Host Institute : University of Washington
 Research supervisor(s): Dr. Amy Orsborn

Short Intro: I graduated this June from the UW with a degree in electrical engineering. I have experience with human-subject research, neuroscience, and machine learning and am excited to work with everyone. I also love hiking and kayaking.



Research domain:
Neuroscience

Van Tha Bik Lian

Host Institute : Duke University
 Research supervisor(s): Dr. Kate Scholberg

Short Intro: Hello! My name is Van Tha Bik, I graduated from UW with an Applied physics degree in June. I enjoy the outdoors and playing video games. If anyone would like to join me some time in the not so close future, I'd like to try paragliding. Maybe even wingsuit jumping!



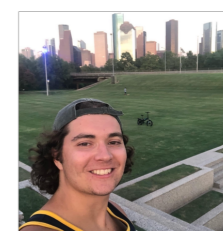
Research domain:
Neutrino Physics

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Andrew J. Skivington (he/him)

Host Institute : University of California - San Diego
 Research supervisor(s): Dr. Javier M. Duarte

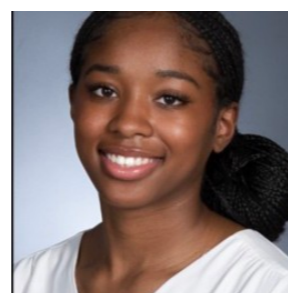
Short Intro: Greetings all! My name is Andrew, but my preferred name is Andy. I recently graduated this past May 2022 with my B.Sc. in physics from the University of Florida. My long term goal is to enter a physics PhD program where I hope to research machine learning to solve modern physics problems via data driven methods. Hence, I feel I am one of the four luckiest people to be given this opportunity to be a part of the inaugural cohort of A3D3 post-bacc fellows, and I am eager and excited to work with you all this coming year.



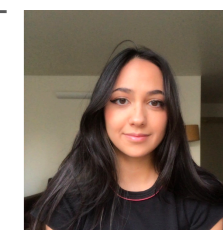
Research domain:
Particle physics and ML

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Year 2 Cohort

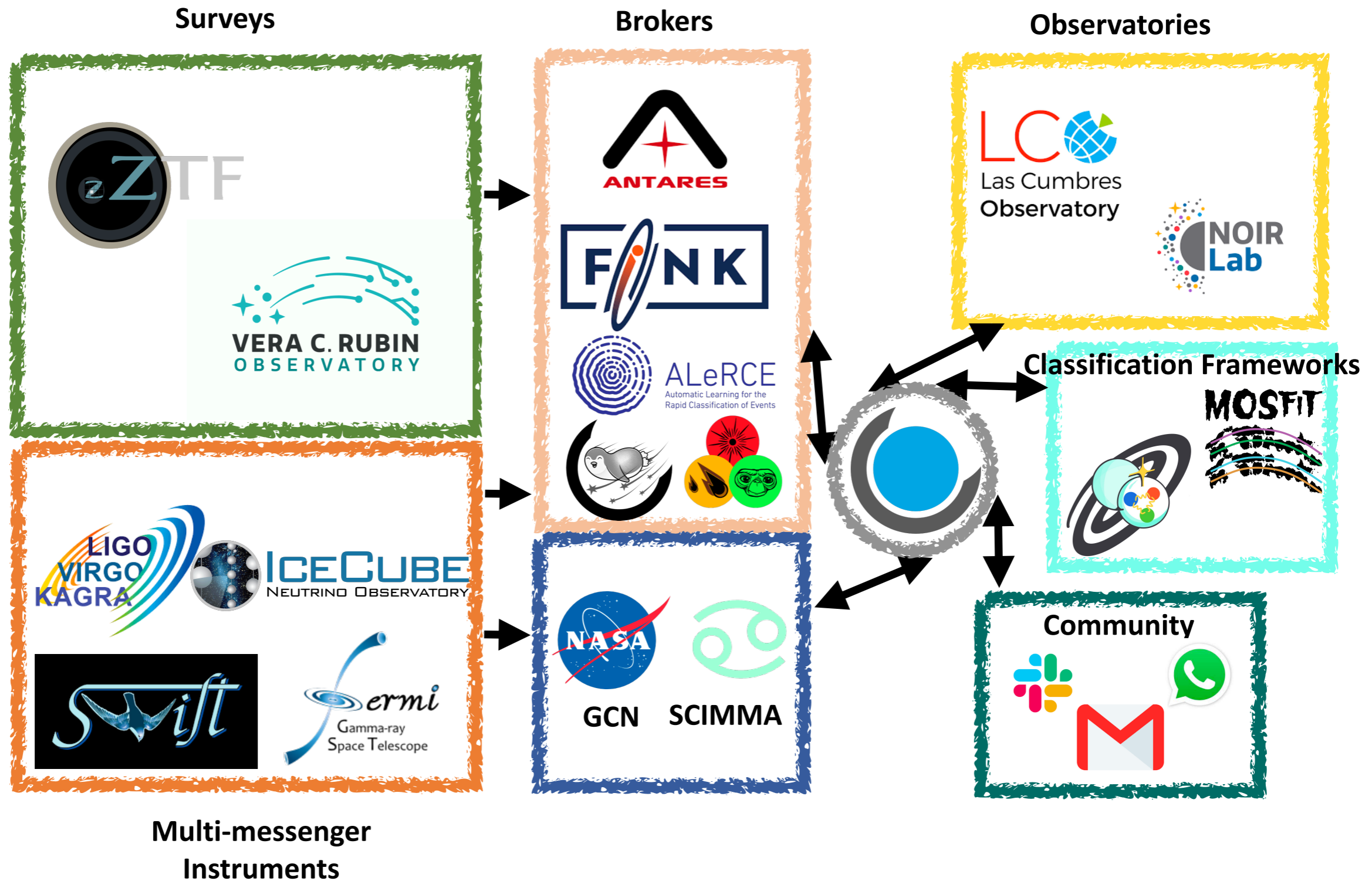


- **Lucie Afko** (W, URM) - Kate Scholberg - Duke (particle physics/astrophysics)
- **Kira Nolan** (W) - Matthew Graham - Caltech (astrophysics)
- **Jada Marshall** (W, URM) - Maria Makin - Purdue (neuroscience)
- **Malina Desai** (W) - Phil Harris & Erik Katsavounidis - MIT (particle physics/astrophysics)





The Time-Domain Astronomy Ecosystem





Thank you!