

Multi-messenger follow-up of GW150914 with the ANTARES neutrino telescope

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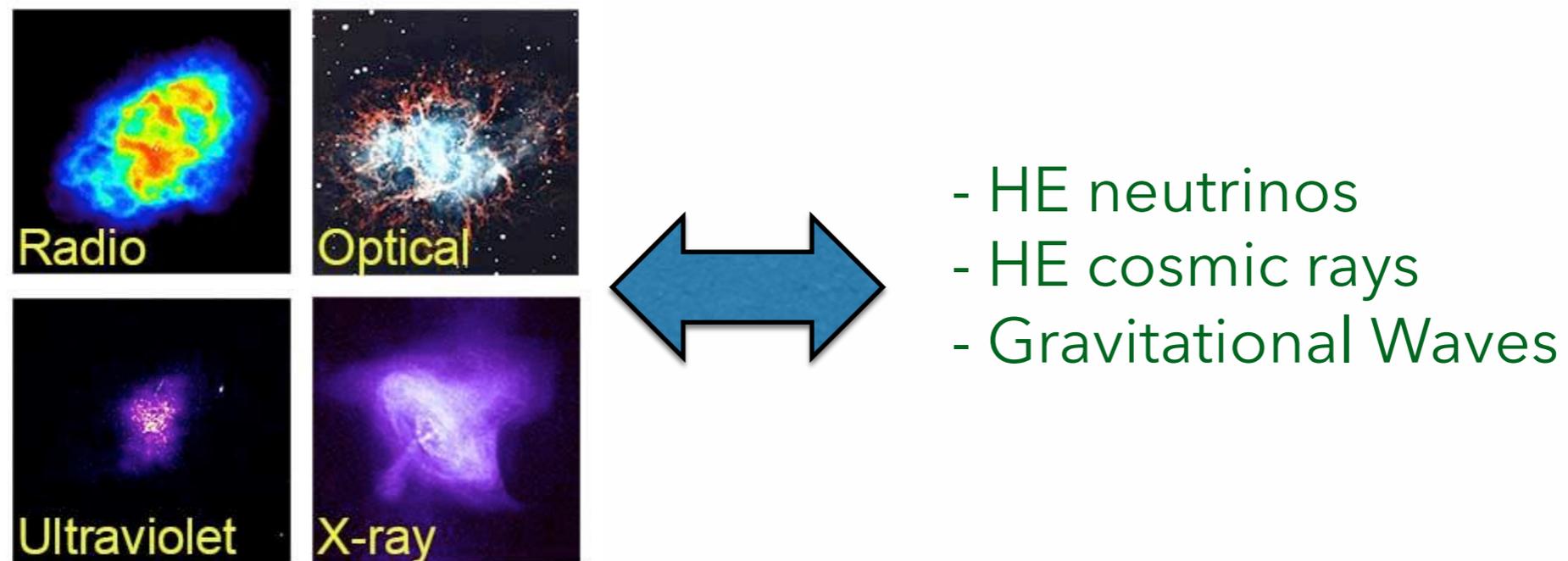
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From multi-wavelength to multi-messenger astronomy

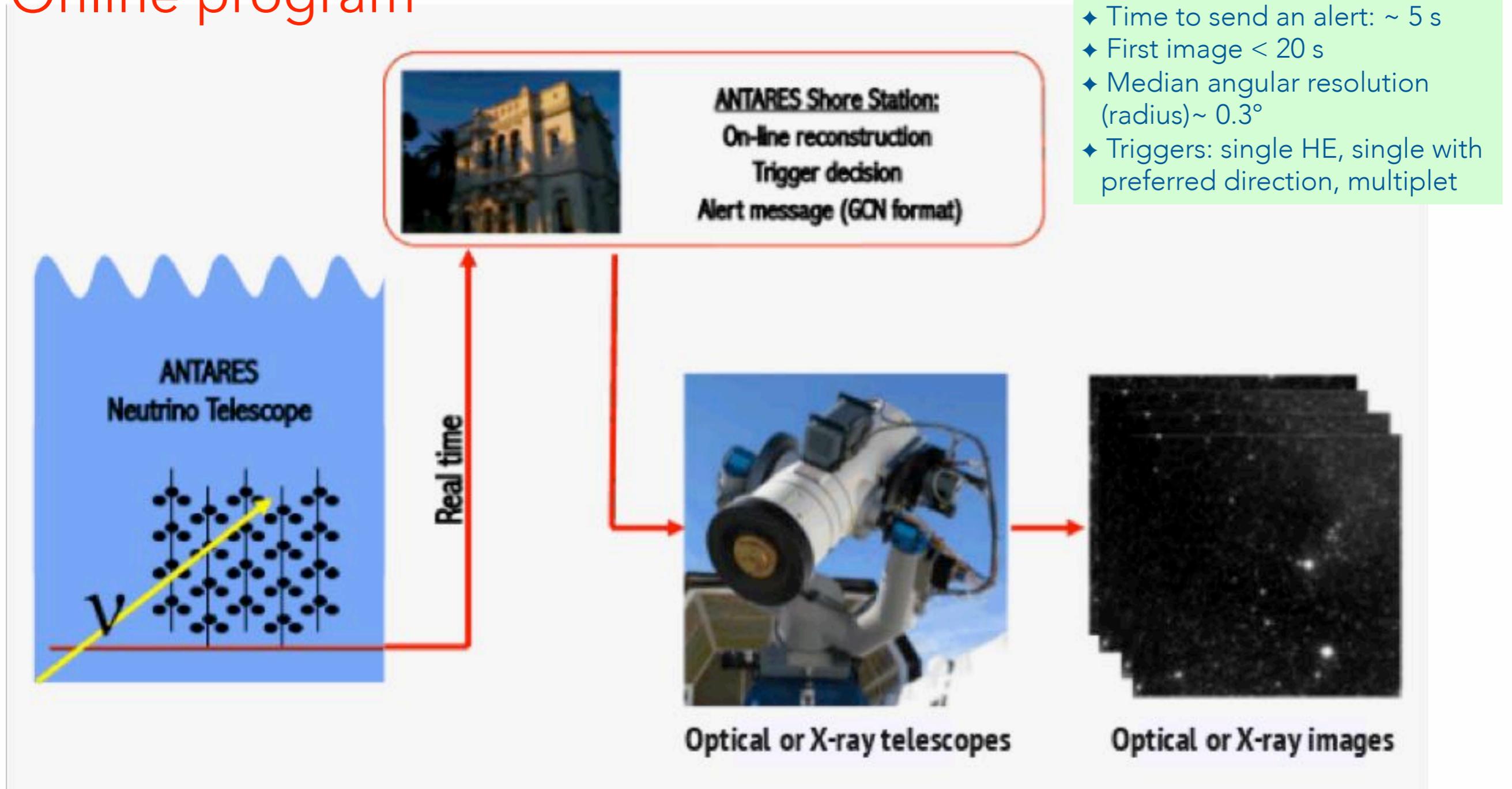


Connection between astrophysics and particle physics
Synergies between different collaborations

Multi-messenger and time-dependent analysis:
- increase discovery potential
- improve statistical significance

- **Online**: ANTARES triggers follow-up observations
- **Offline**: ANTARES analysis based on electromagnetic/
multi-messenger observations

Online program



205 alerts sent to optical telescopes since mid 2009
+12 to Swift since mid 2013

Real time alert sending

→ Alert **VHE (Sept. 1, 2015)**

E ~ 50-100 TeV

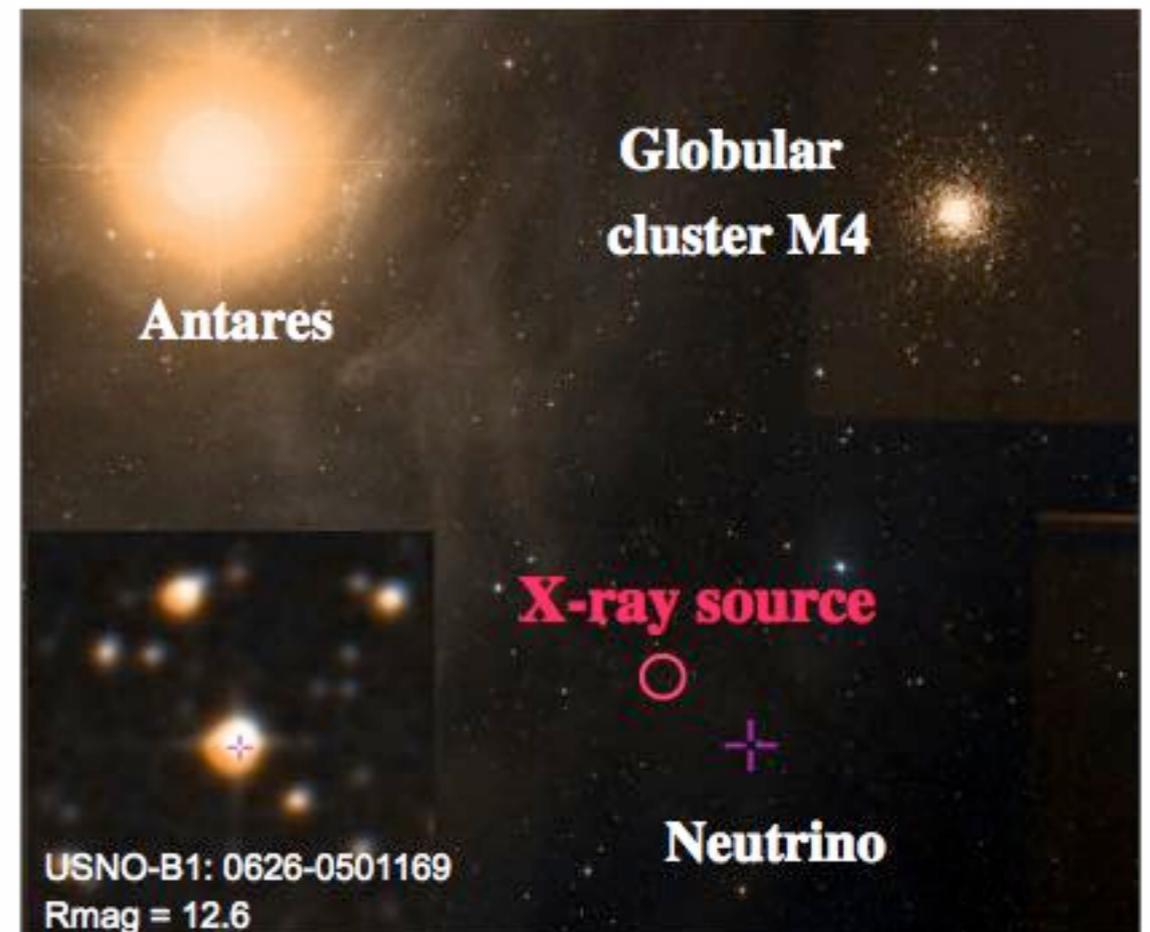
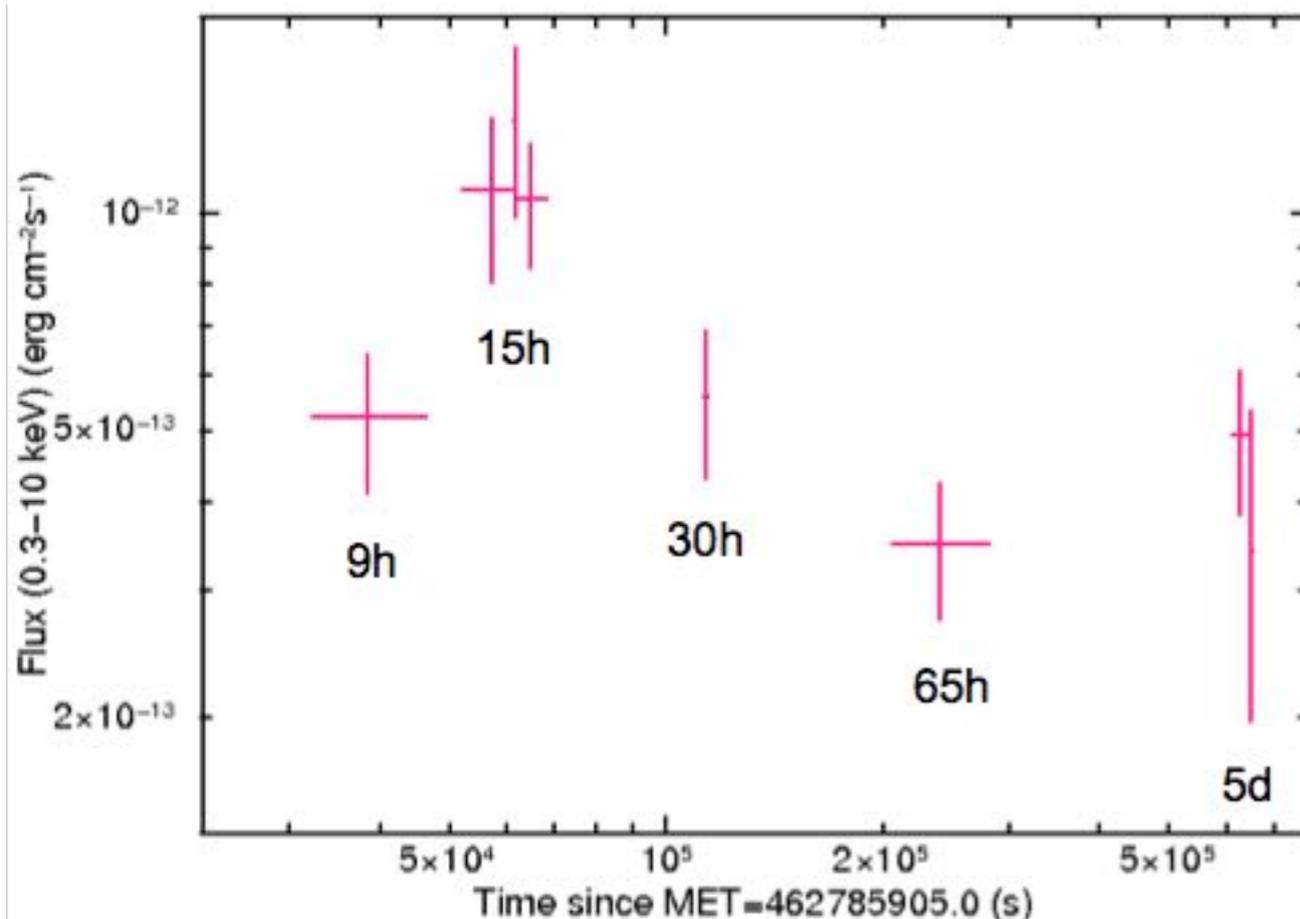
RA=246.306°; dec=-27.468°

Uncertainty: ~18 arcmin (radius, 50%)

Sent after 10 s to MASTER, Swift-XRT

Follow-up with **Swift-XRT after 9h**

Follow-up with **MASTER after 10h**



GCN #18231
ATEL #7987

→ 16 ATEL + 6 GCN: multi- λ observations
+ few non-reported results

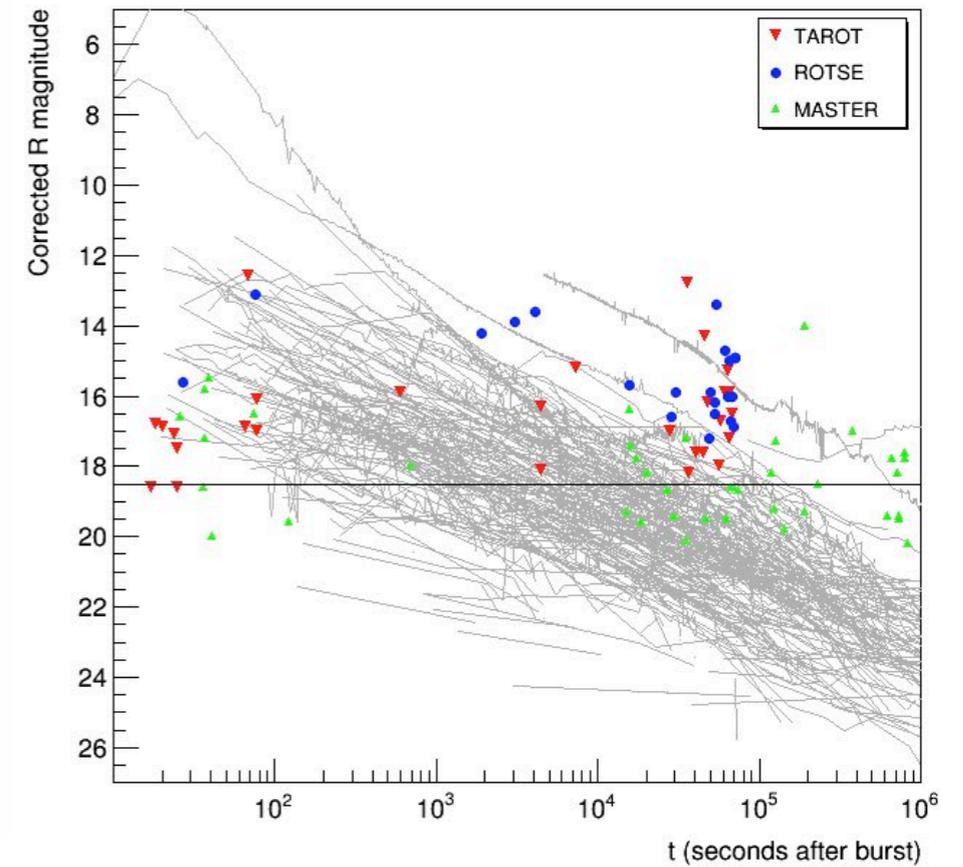
GCN 18236: optical/NIR spectroscopy from NOT
“All this points to USNO-B1.0 0626-0501169 being a **young accreting G-K star**, undergoing a **flaring episode** that produced the X-ray emission.”
Confirmed by Jansky VLA radio observation (Atel 7999) + X-Shooter observations

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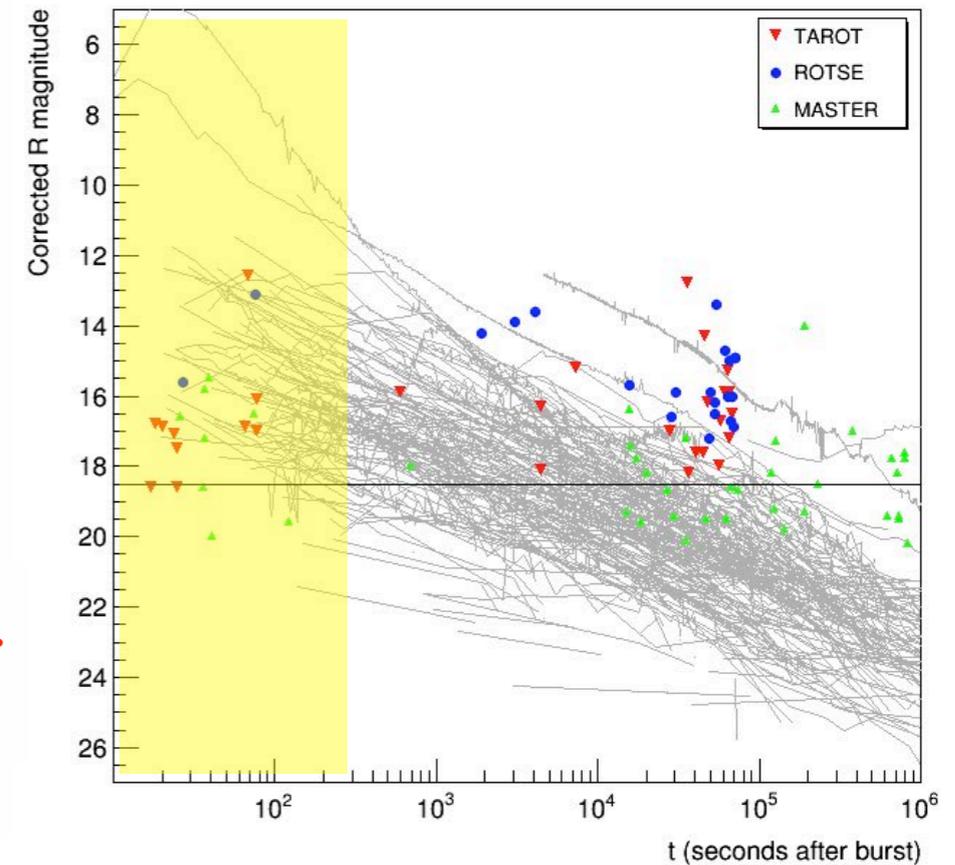
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Exclude GRB at 80% C.L.
if fast follow-up



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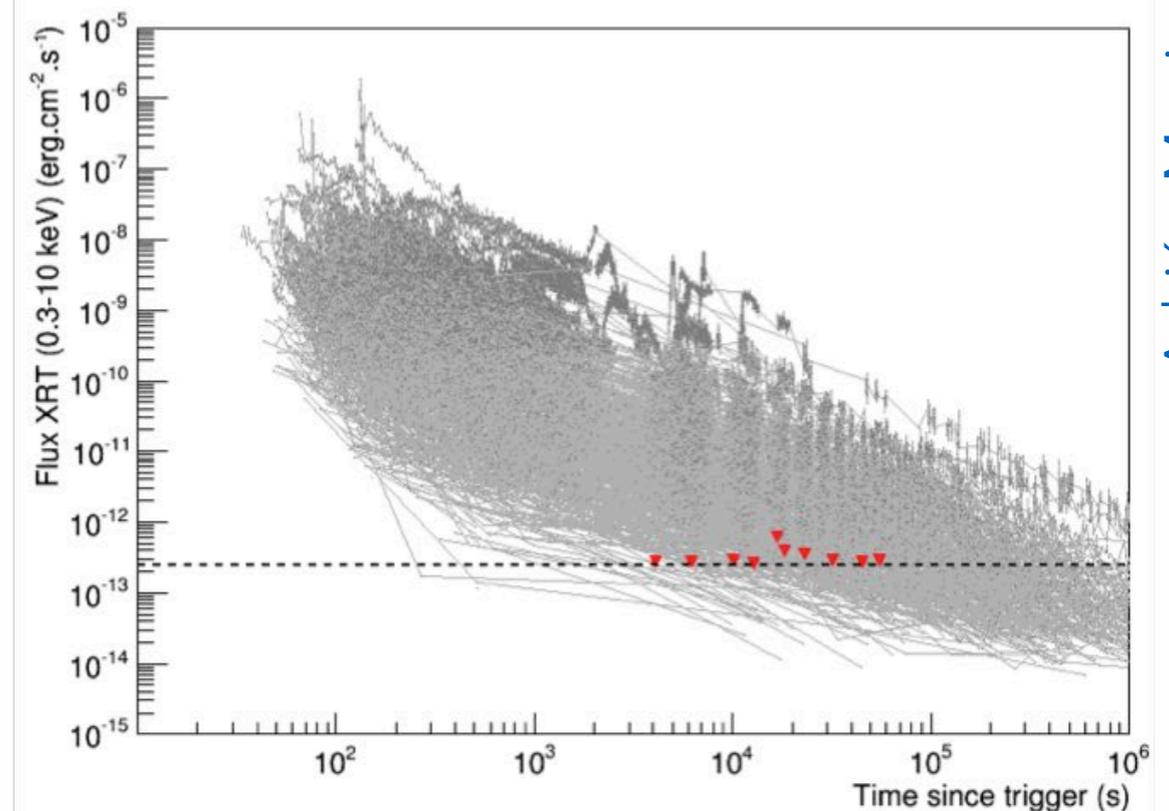
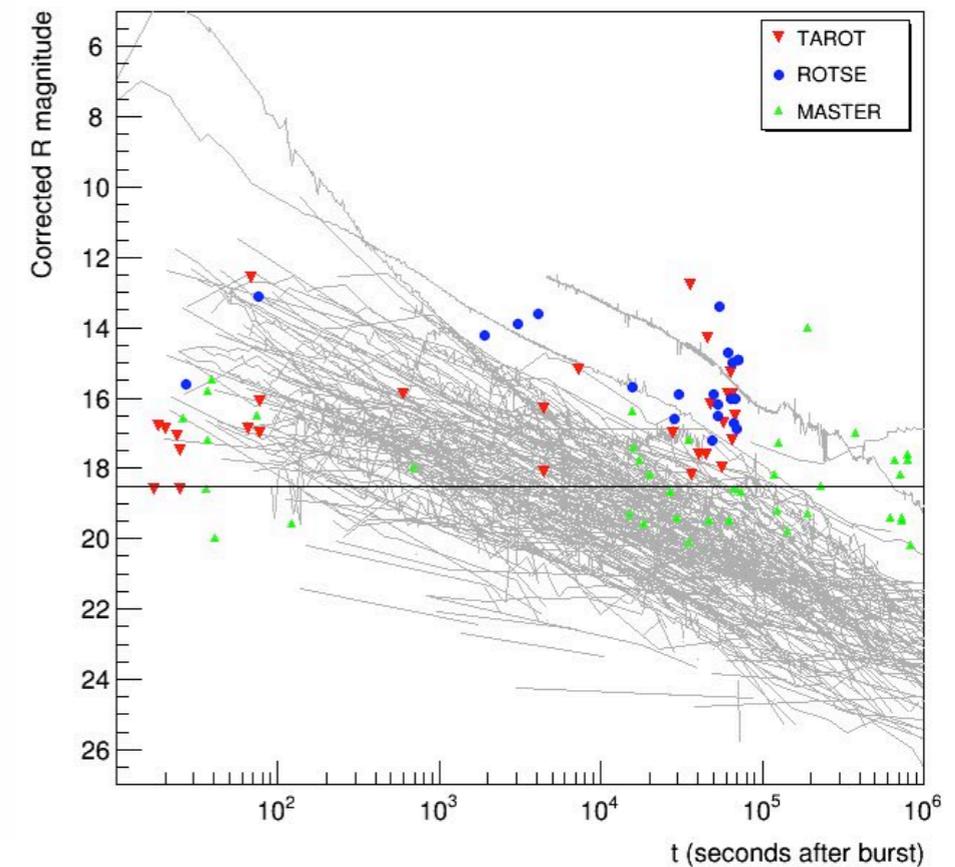
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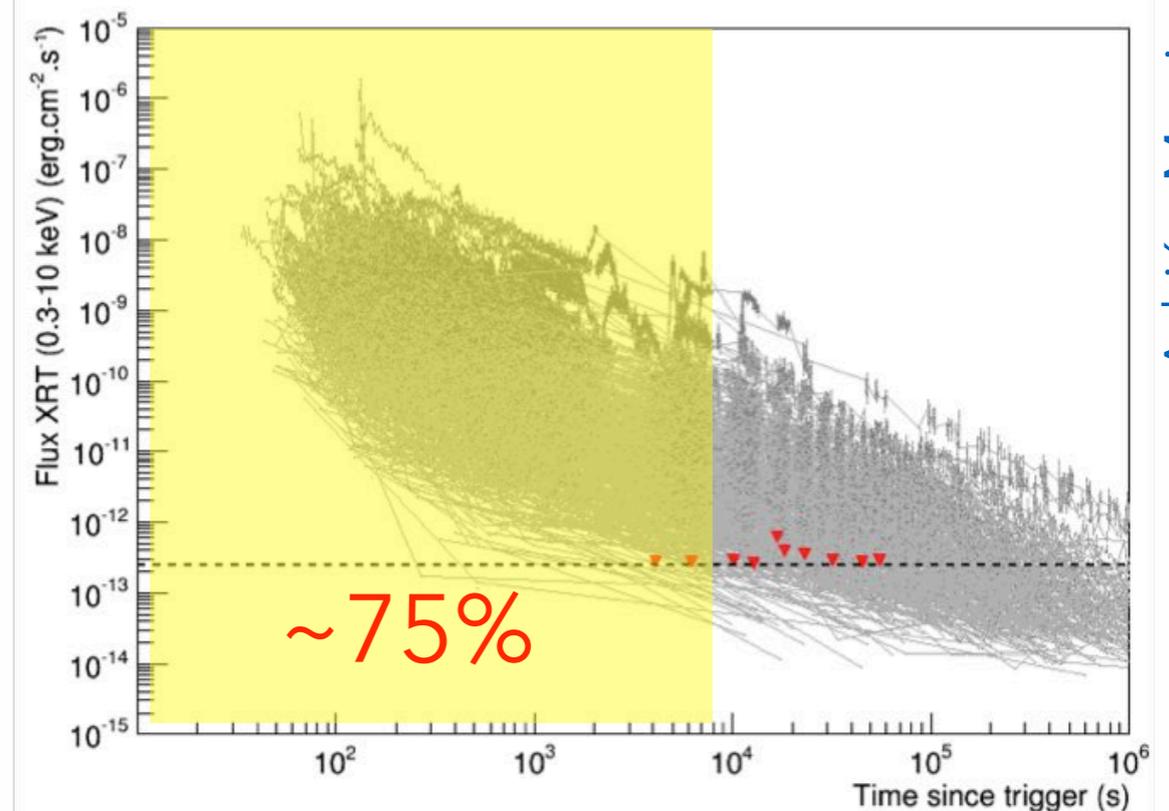
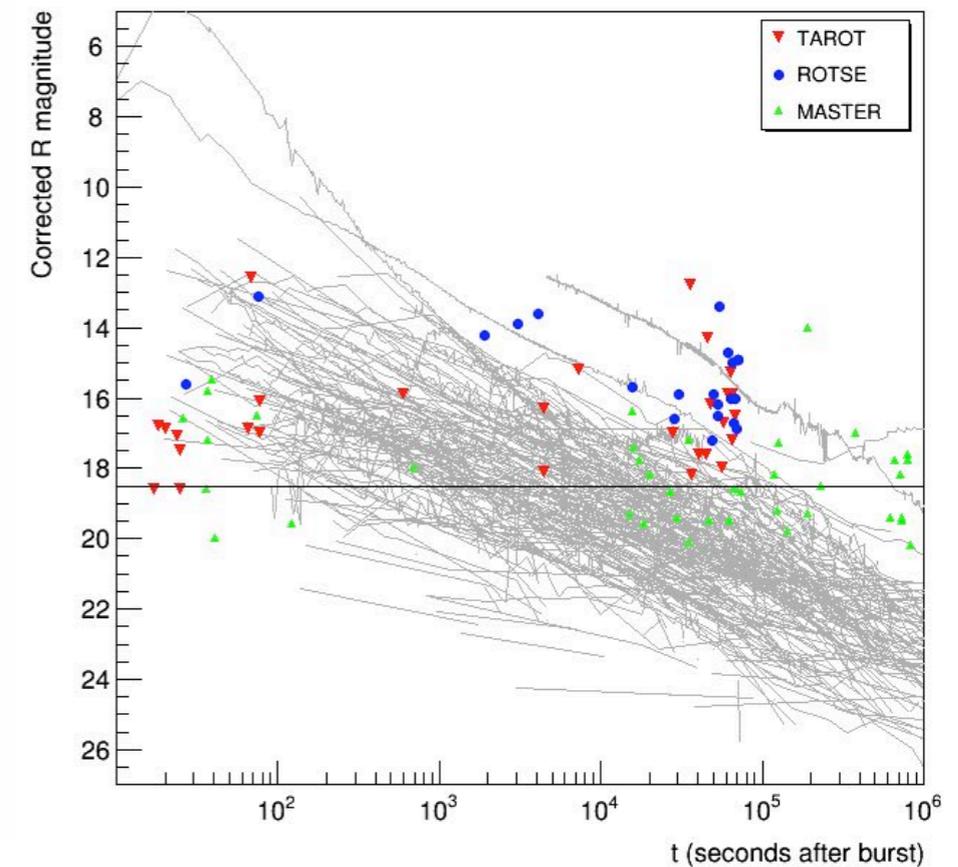
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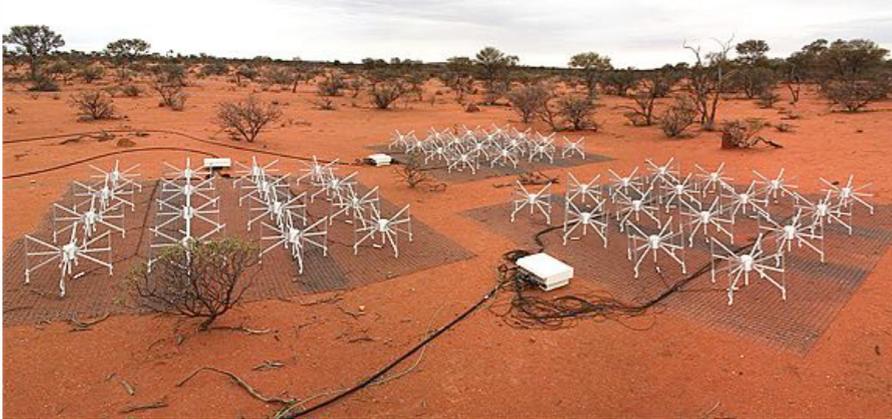
Private MoU with all the observatories

Different transfert protocoles (GCN socket, VO Event...)

- + GW alerts from adv-LIGO/VIRGO
- + AMON

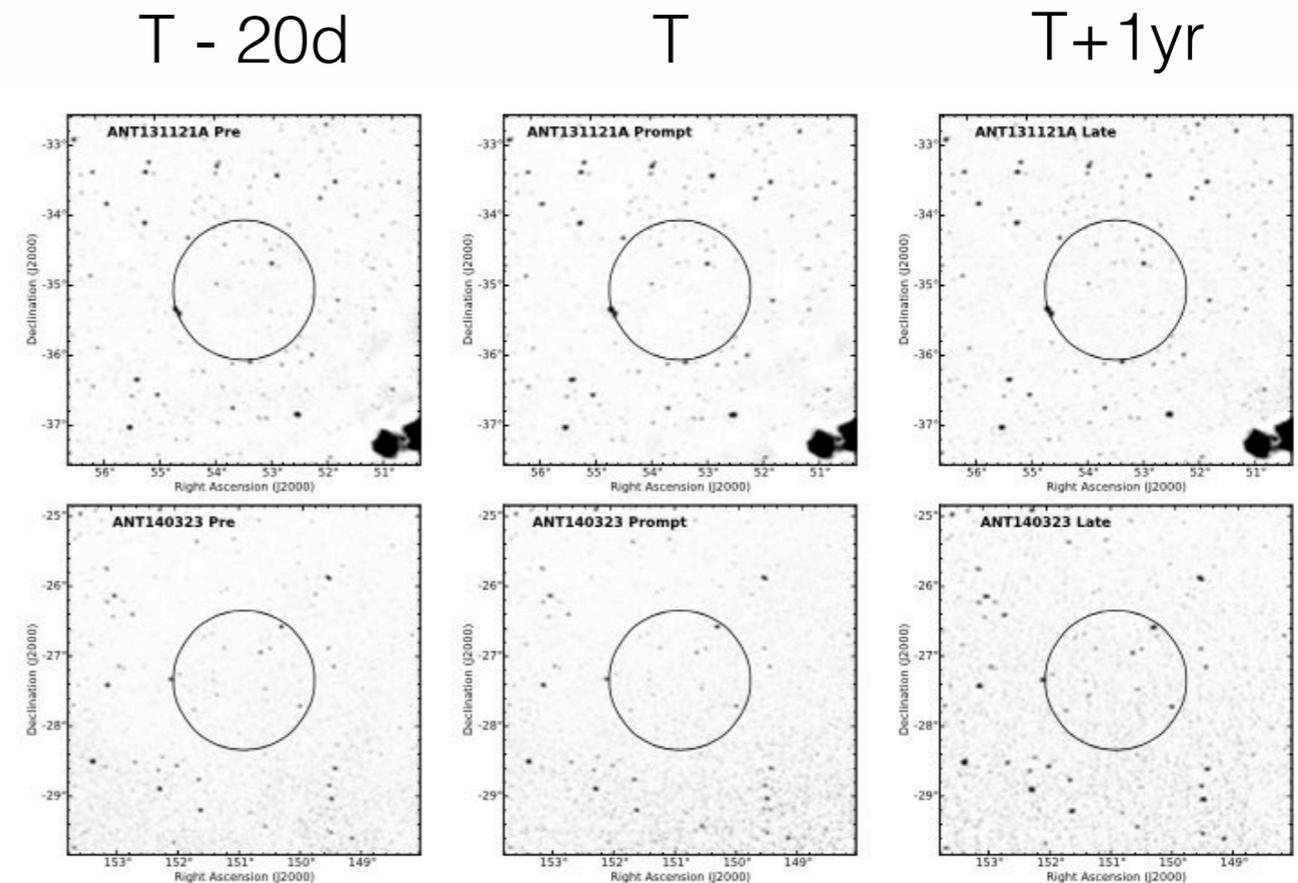
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Murchidson Widefield Array: radio telescope (Australia, 80-300 MHz):
2 alerts (directional trigger, local galaxies <20 Mpc)



Radio follow-up of 2 neutrino candidates:

Trigger ID	UT date	UT time	RA (deg)	Dec (deg)	Energy (TeV)
ANT 131121A	2013 Nov 21	14:58:28	53.5	-35.1	~ 1
ANT 140323A	2014 Mar 23	15:31:01	150.9	-27.4	~ 4



Results: no radio transient/variable sources

→ Limits on progenitors if we assume neutrinos are cosmic

If source at 20 Mpc, $UL(5\sigma) = 90-340$ mJy → $L_{150 \text{ MHz}} < 10^{29}$ erg/s/Hz ($< 10^{37}$ erg/s)

If NS-NS coalescence → limit on the distance $z > 0.2$ (> 1 Gpc)

Time-dependent searches:

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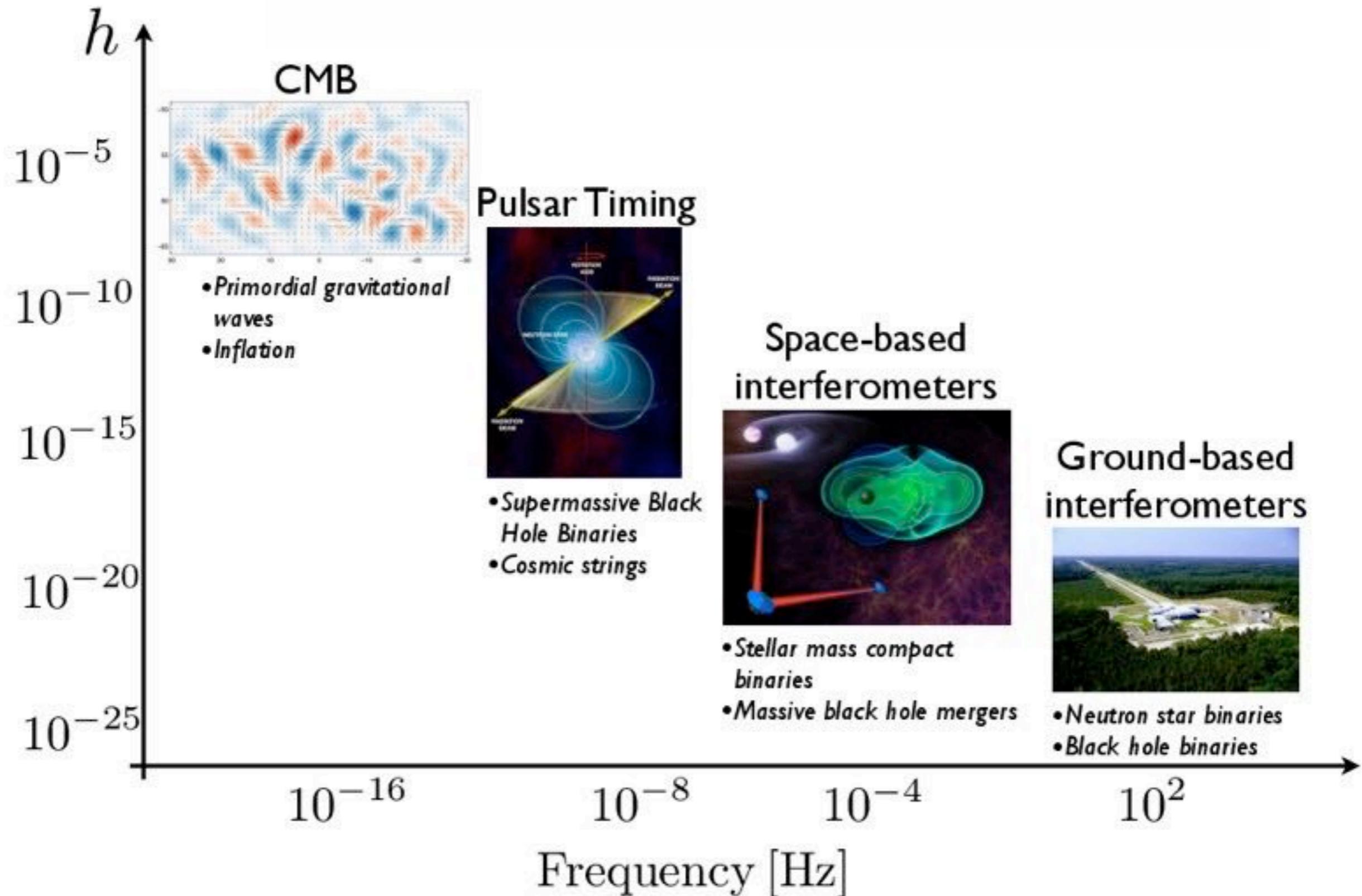
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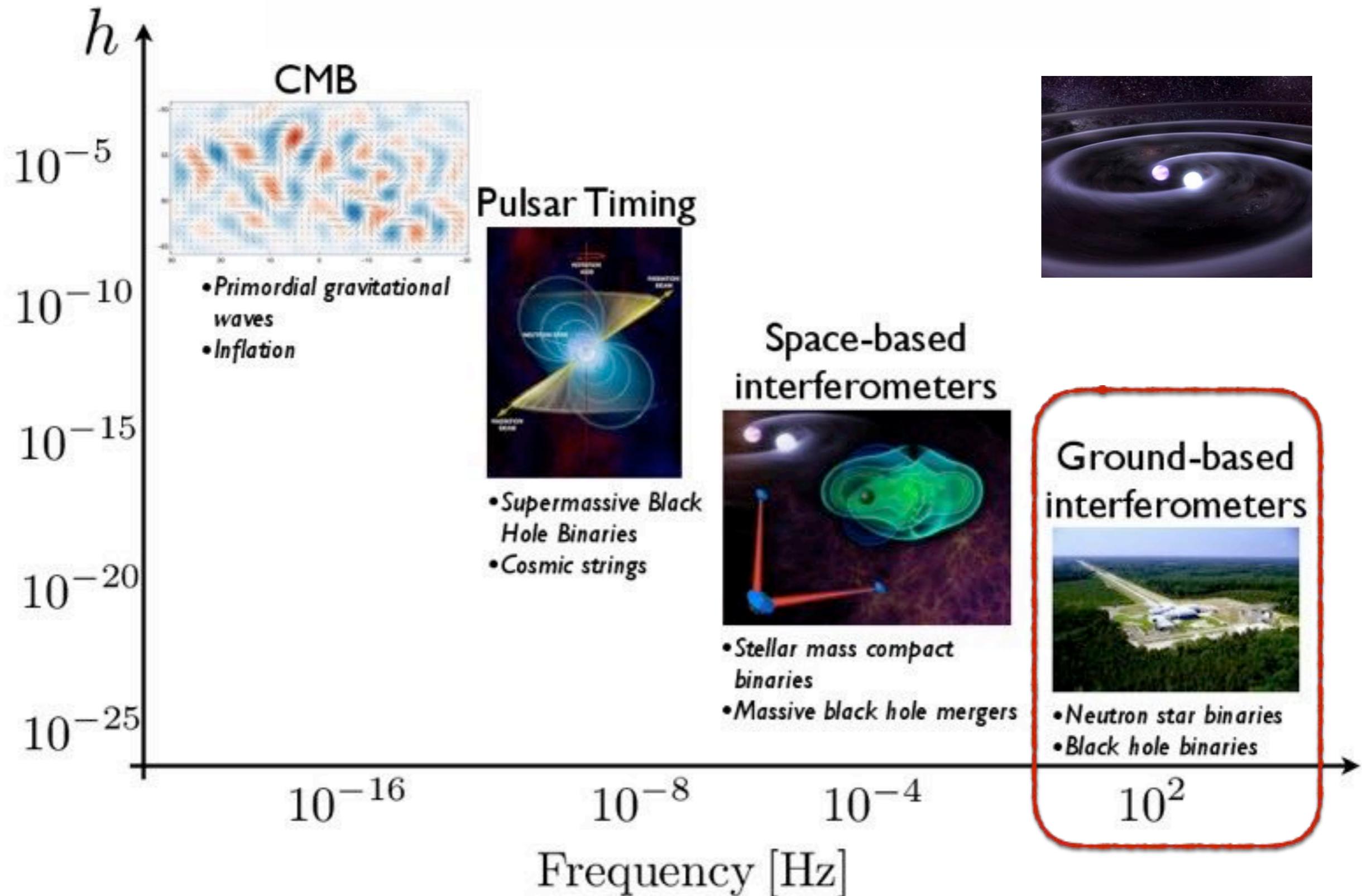
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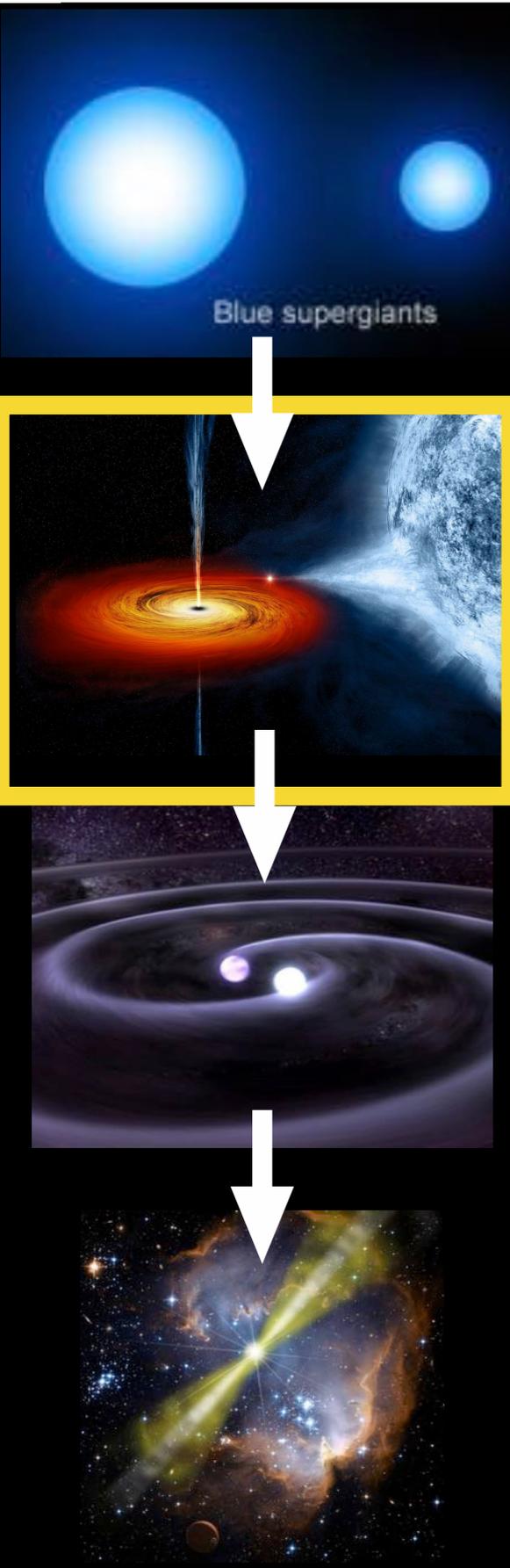
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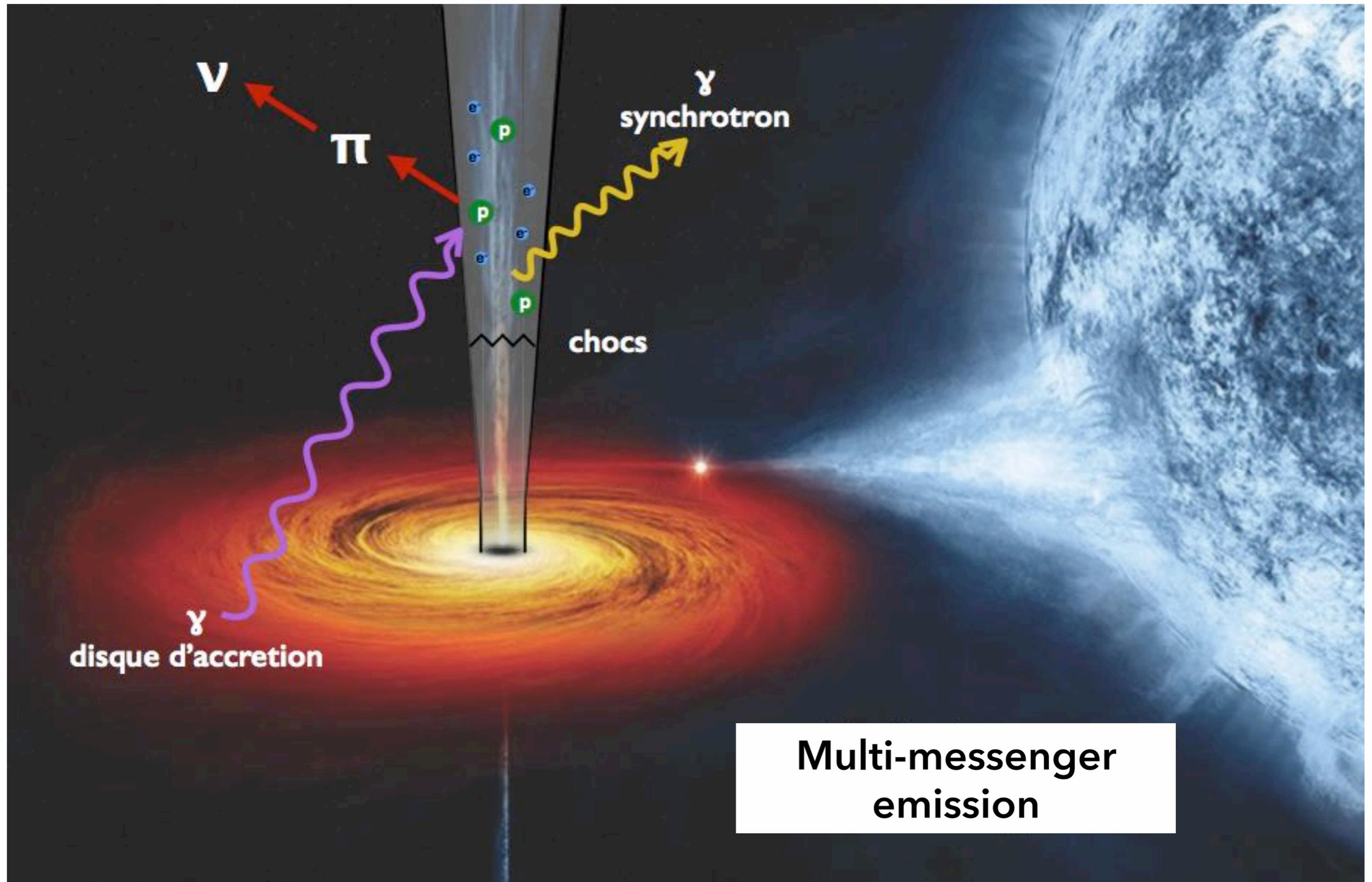


Evolution of binary star systems

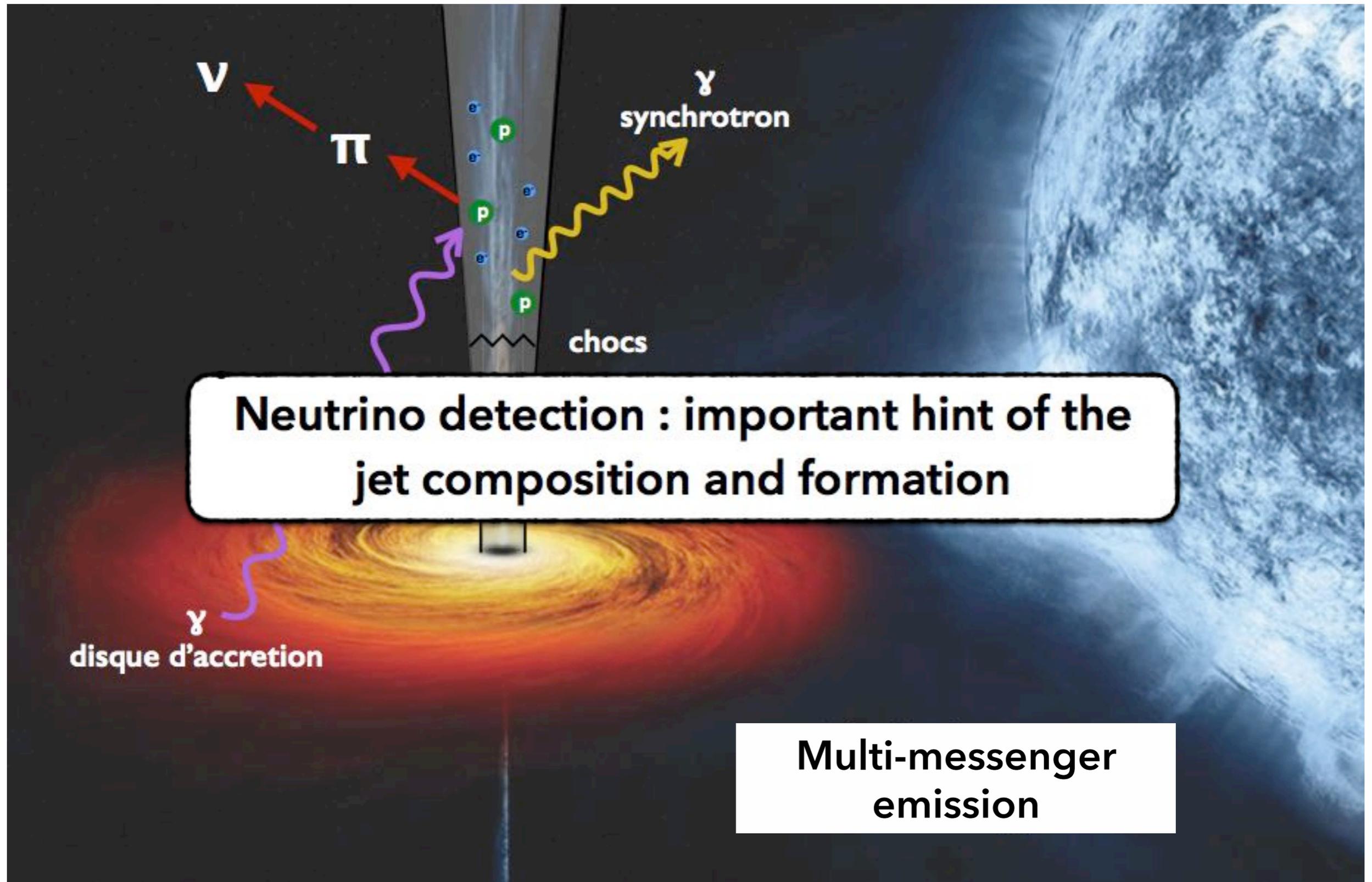


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- Undergo mass transfer
- Accretion / ejection processes
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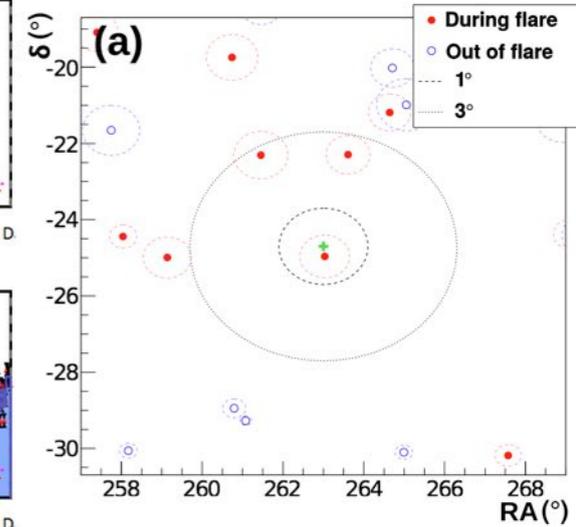
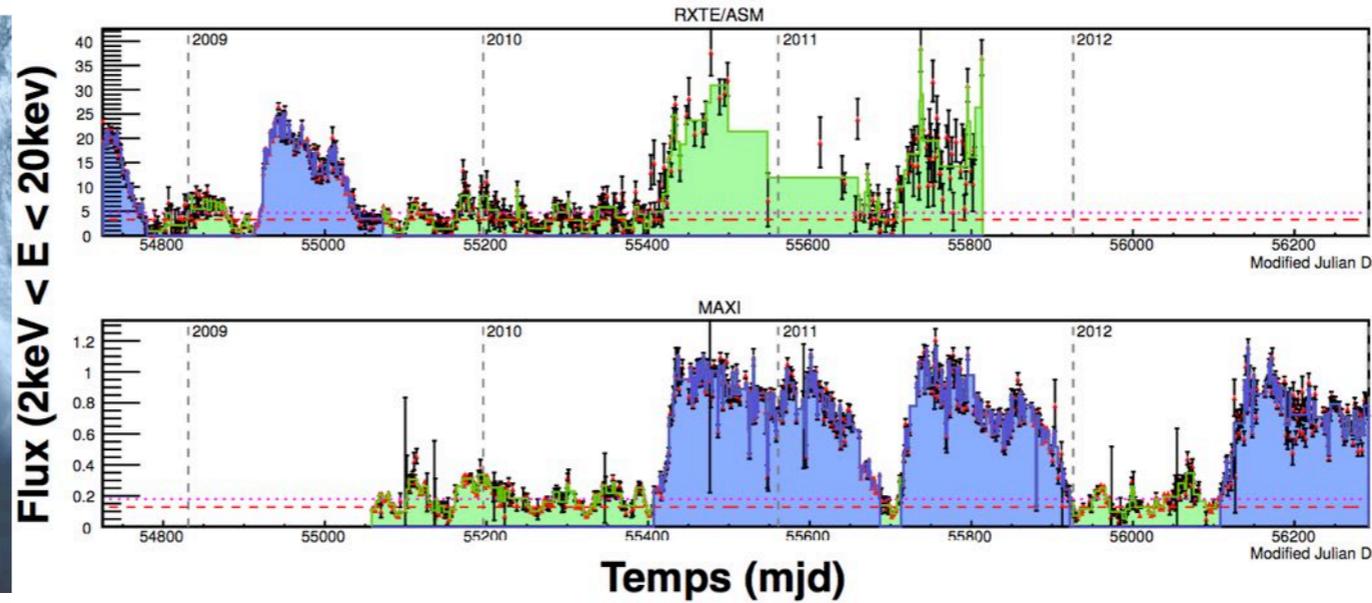
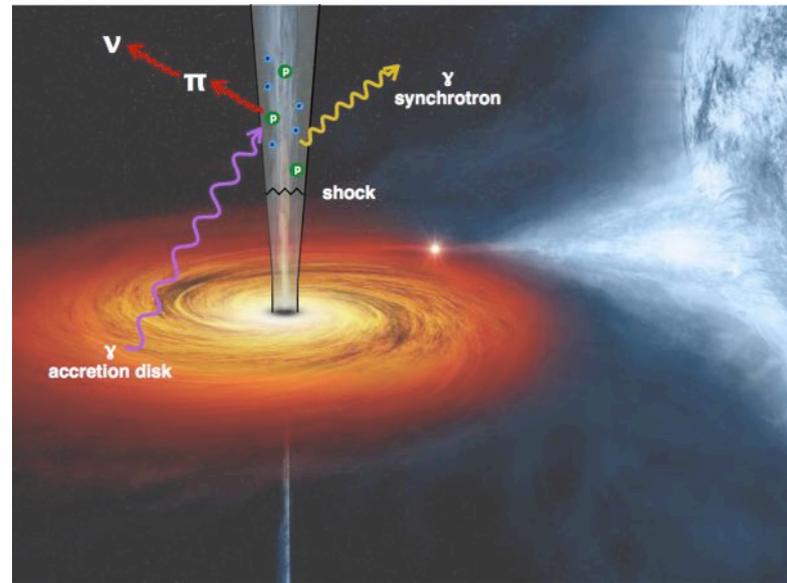


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Neutrino emission of X-ray binaries ?

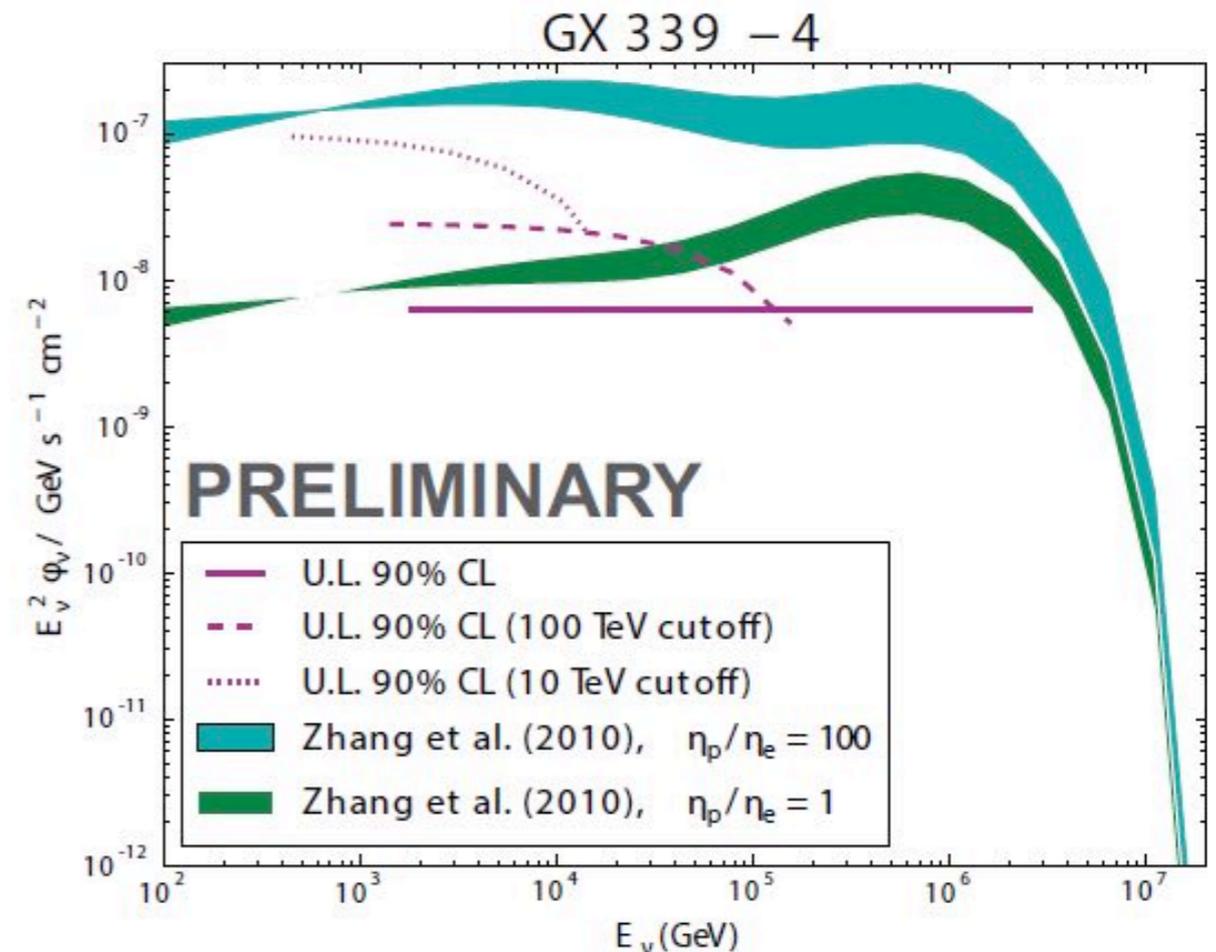
Jet composition studied by ANTARES



$$\ln \mathcal{L} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \ln[\mathcal{N}_S \mathcal{S}_i + \mathcal{N}_B \mathcal{B}_i] \right) - [\mathcal{N}_S + \mathcal{N}_B]$$

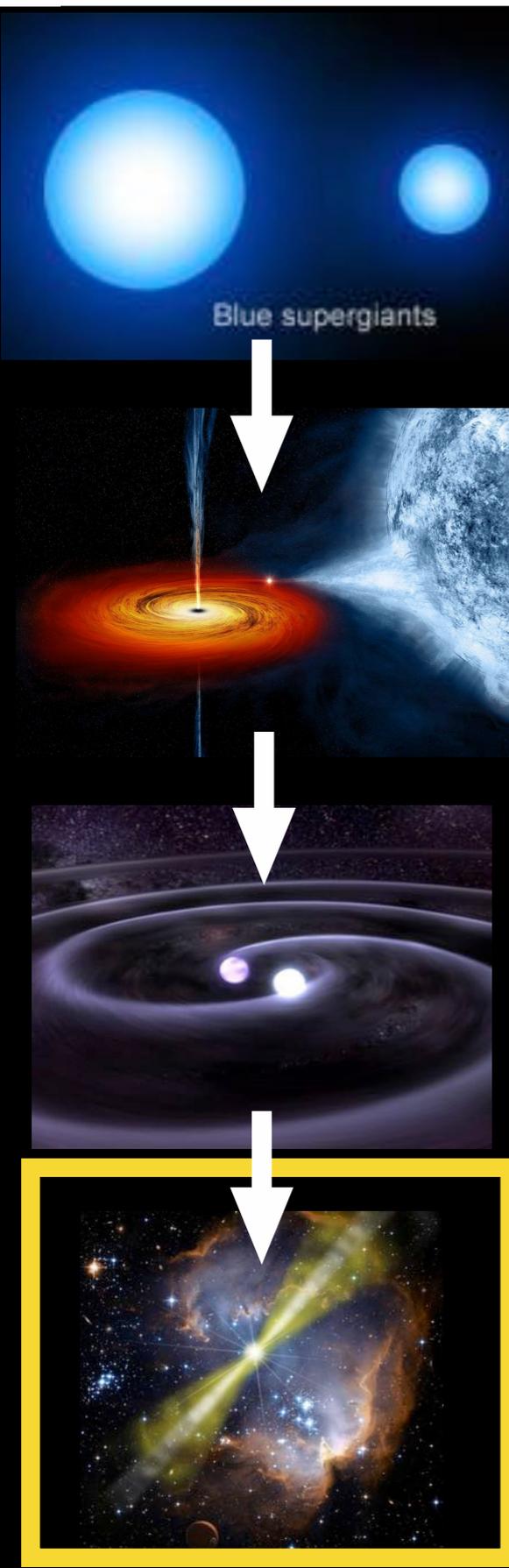
$$\mathcal{S}_i = \mathcal{S}^{\text{space}}(\Psi_i(\alpha_s, \delta_s)) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{\text{energy}}(dE/dX_i) \cdot \mathcal{S}^{\text{time}}(t_i + \text{lag})$$

$$\mathcal{B}_i = \mathcal{B}^{\text{space}}(\delta_i) \cdot \mathcal{B}^{\text{energy}}(dE/dX_i) \cdot \mathcal{B}^{\text{time}}(t_i)$$



No detection \rightarrow U.L. on the proton energy (based on photo-hadronic models)

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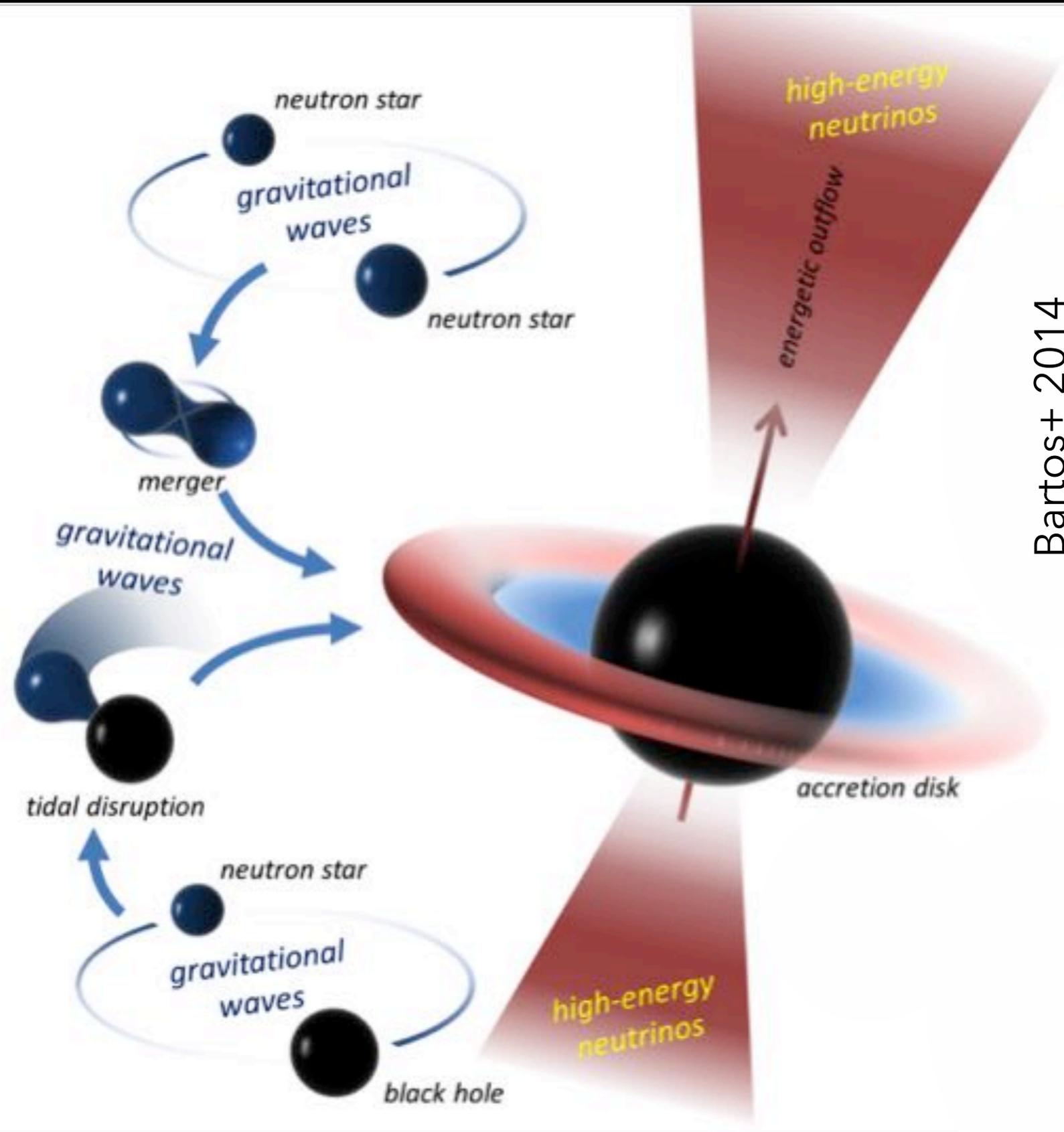


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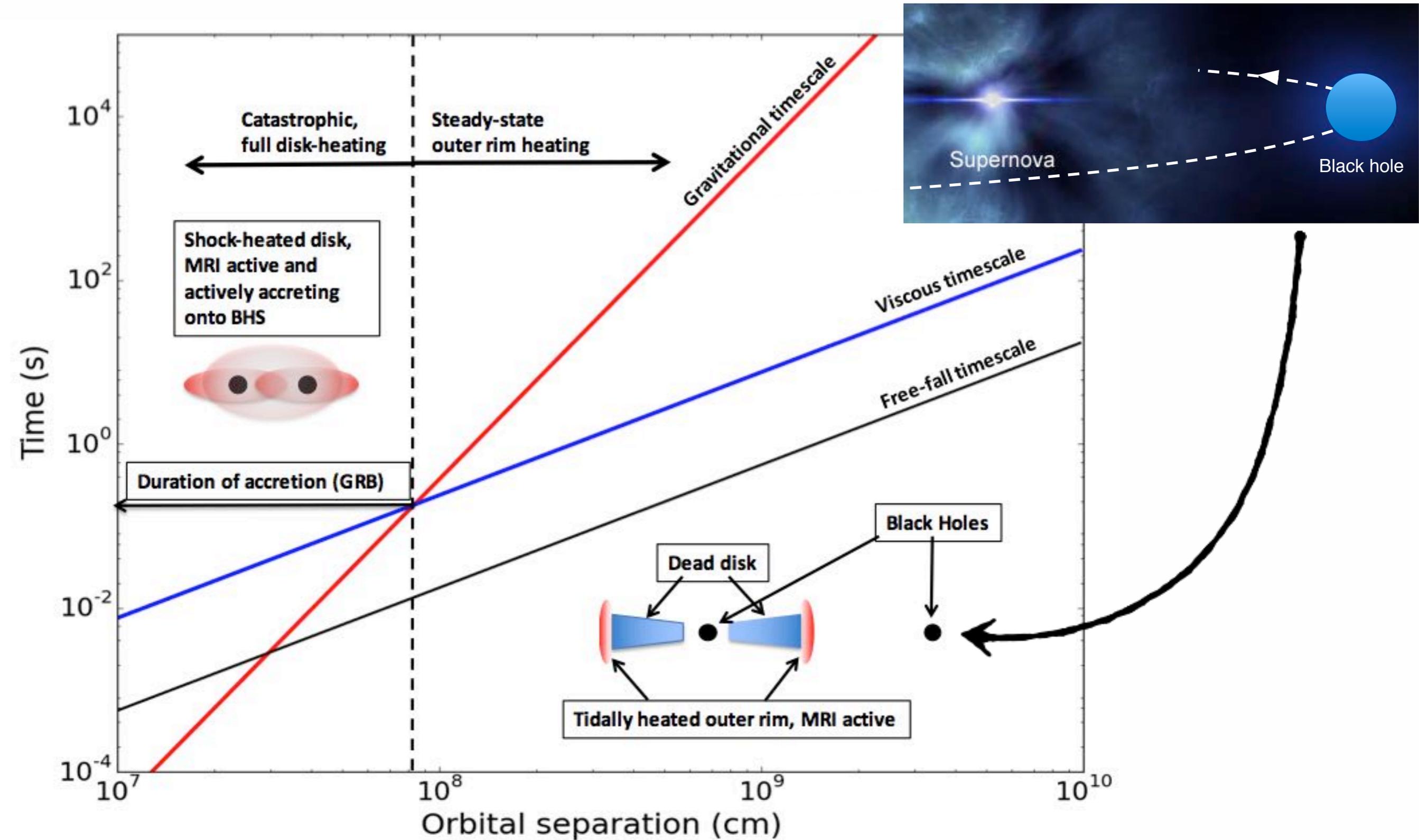
Compact object coalescence

For BH/NS or NS/NS systems :

gravitational waves
+ electromagnetic
+ neutrino emission
expected if ejection
process with baryonic
component



Black hole binary coalescence



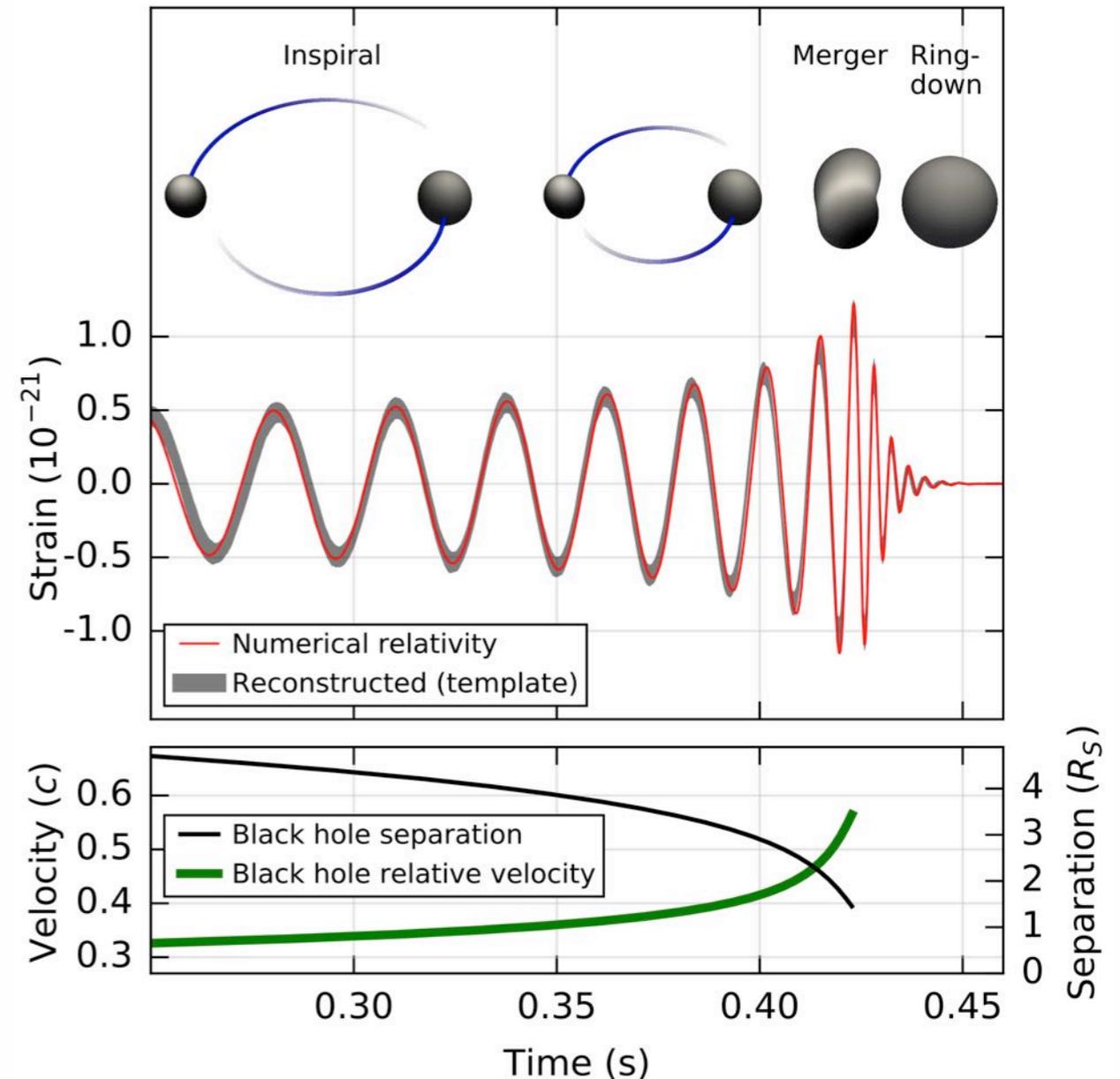
Discovery of GW150914

Sept. 14th, 2015 at 09:50:45 UTC

GW signal recorded by the LIGO Hanford and Livingston detectors

Produced by a stellar-mass binary black hole merger at redshift

$$z = 0.09^{+0.03}_{-0.04} \quad (\sim 410 \text{ Mpc})$$



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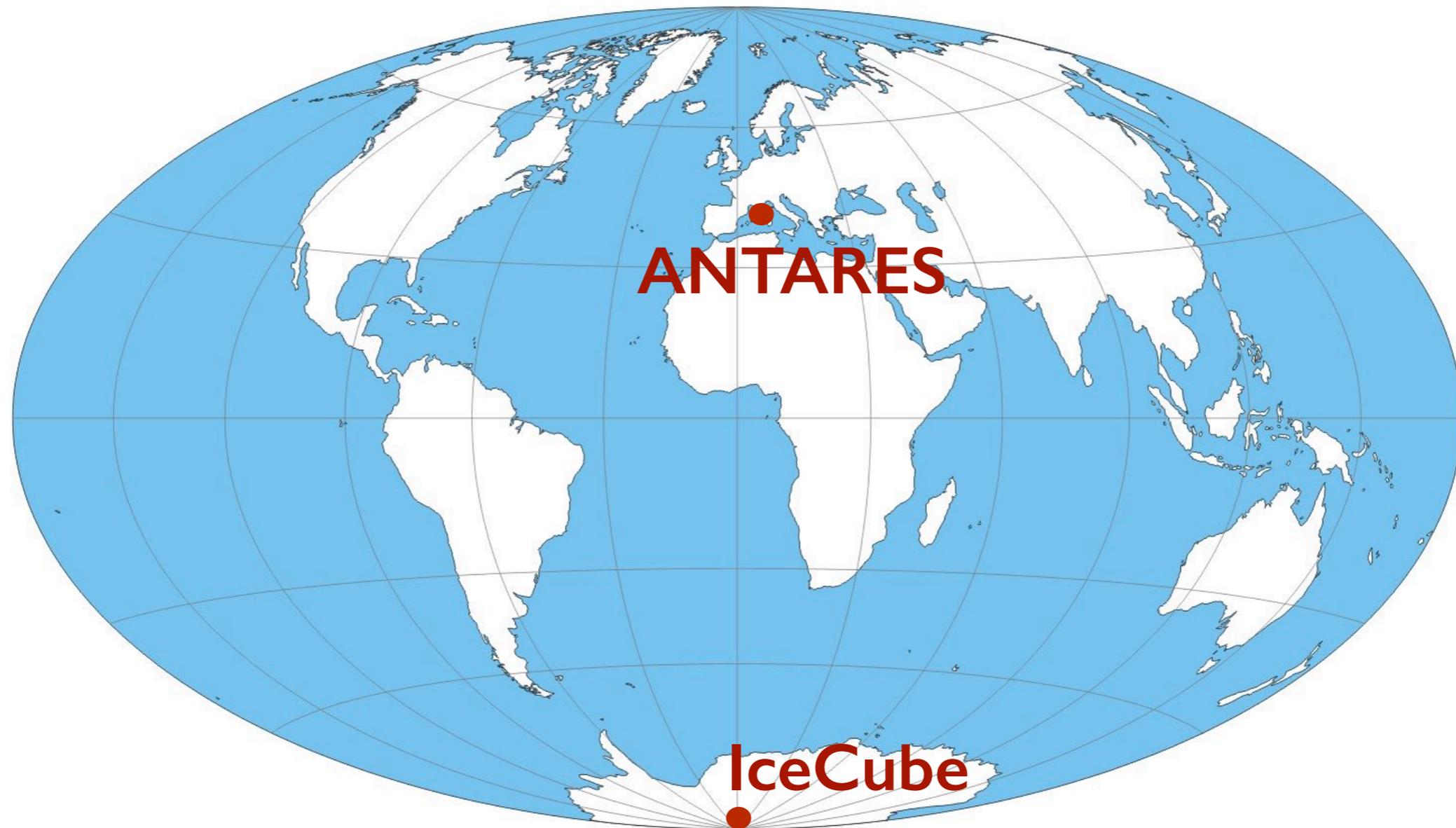
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Energy radiated in GW: $\sim 5 \times 10^{54}$ erg

Is a fraction of this energy emitted in neutrinos ? + Demonstrate synergies

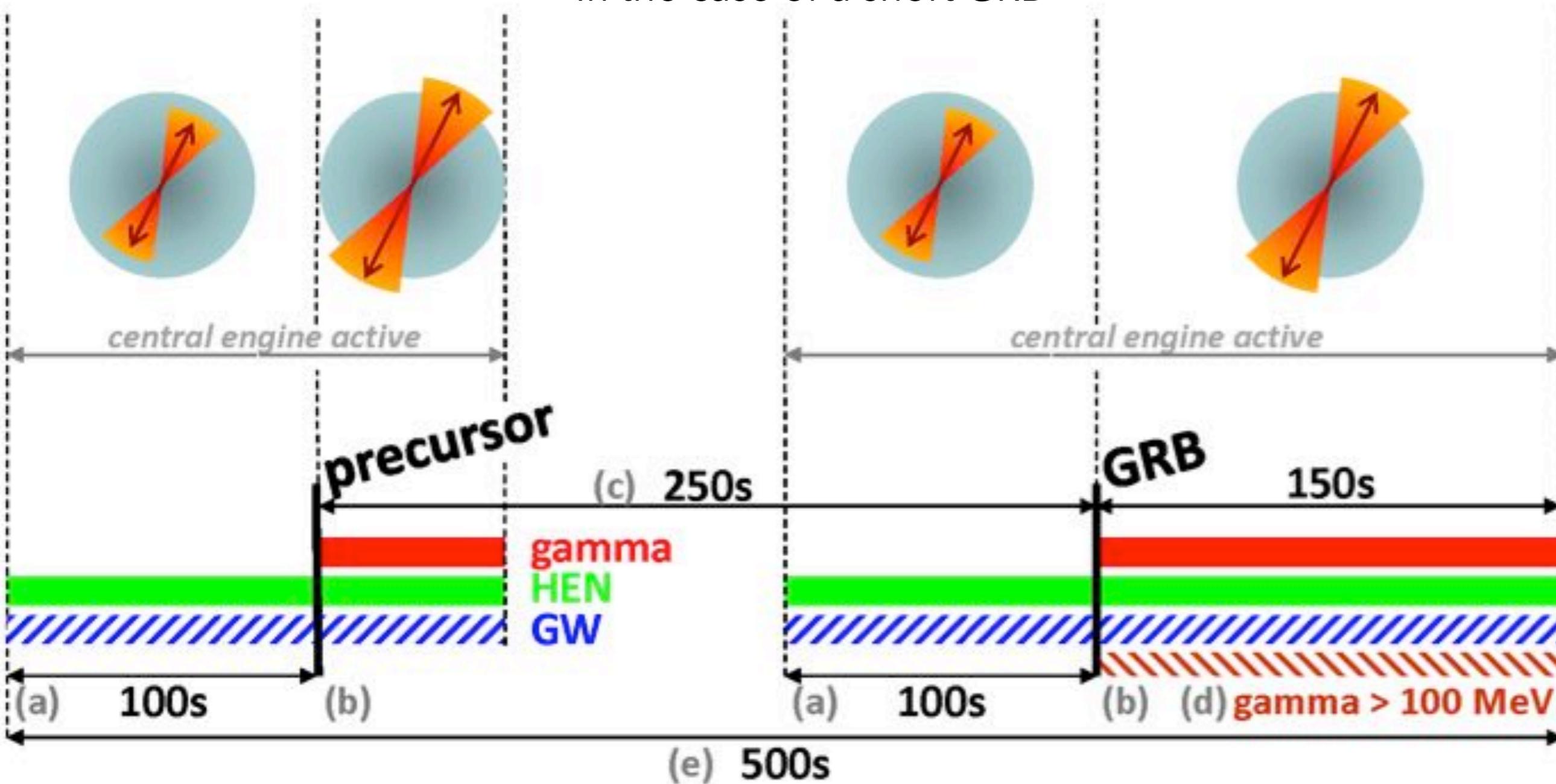
Joint ANTARES - IceCube - LIGO/Virgo analysis

Phys. Rev. D (in press) : [arXiv 1602.05411](https://arxiv.org/abs/1602.05411)



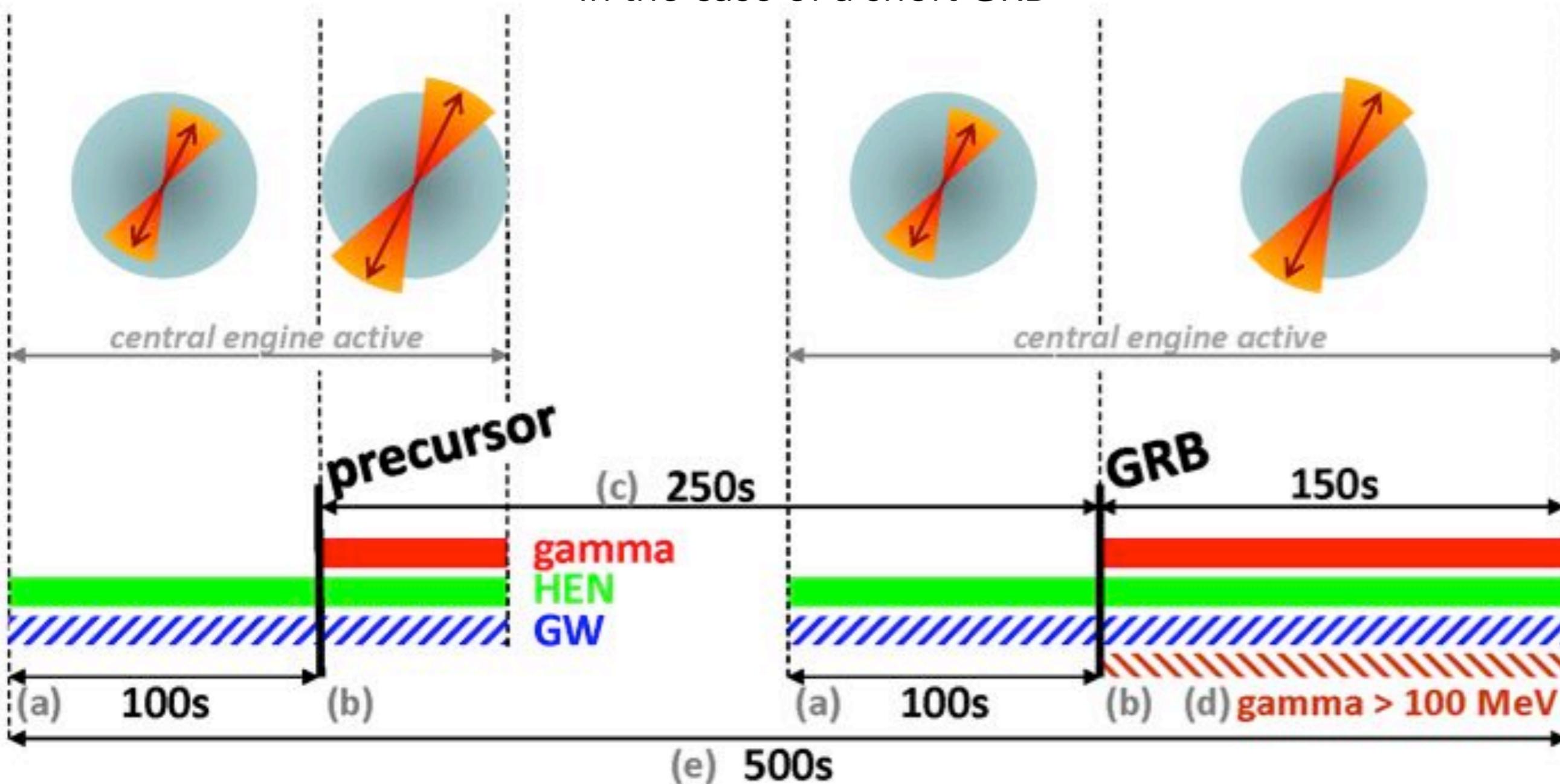
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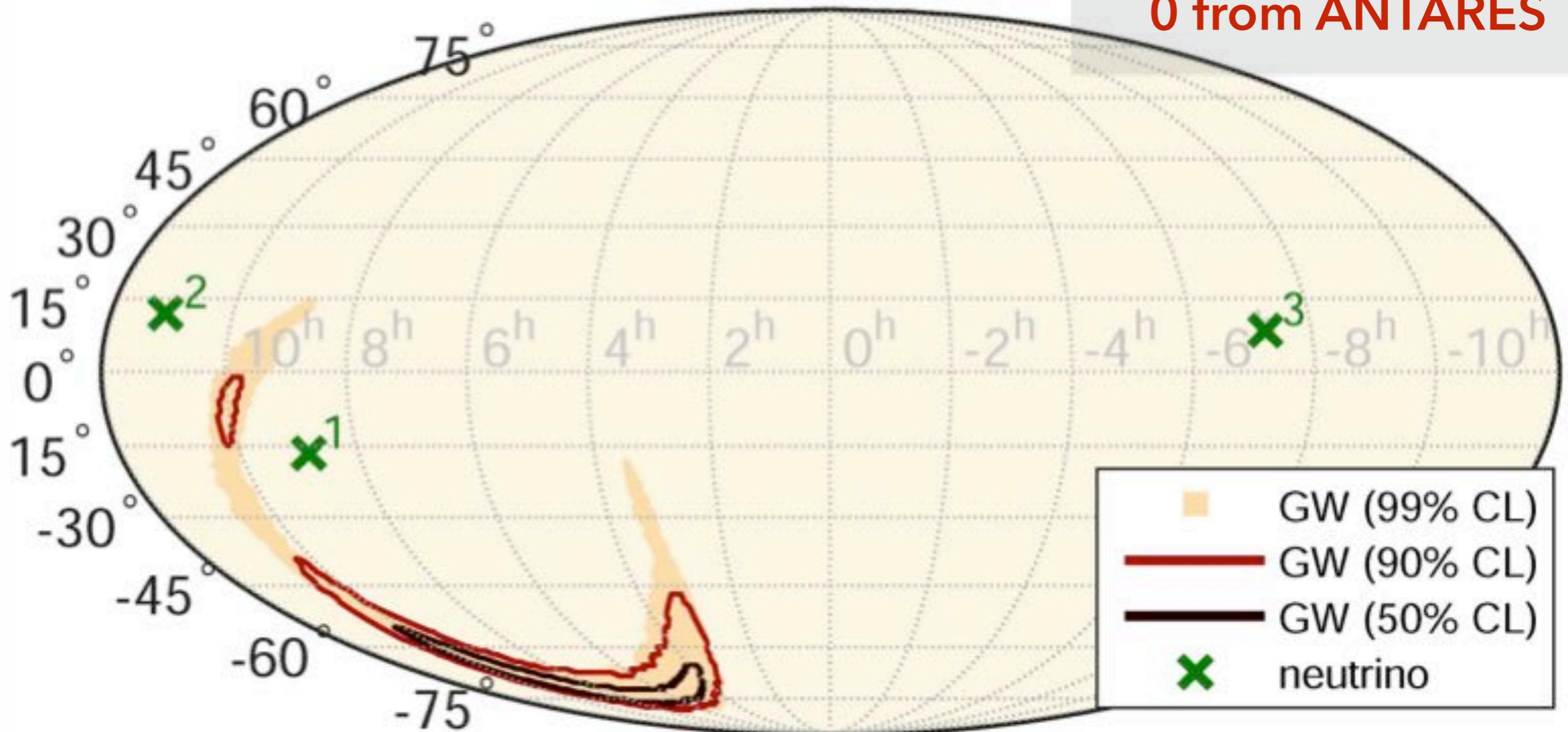


- Online ANTARES and IceCube data
- Event selection from neutrino point-source searches

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Within ± 500 s from GW alert

3 IceCube candidates
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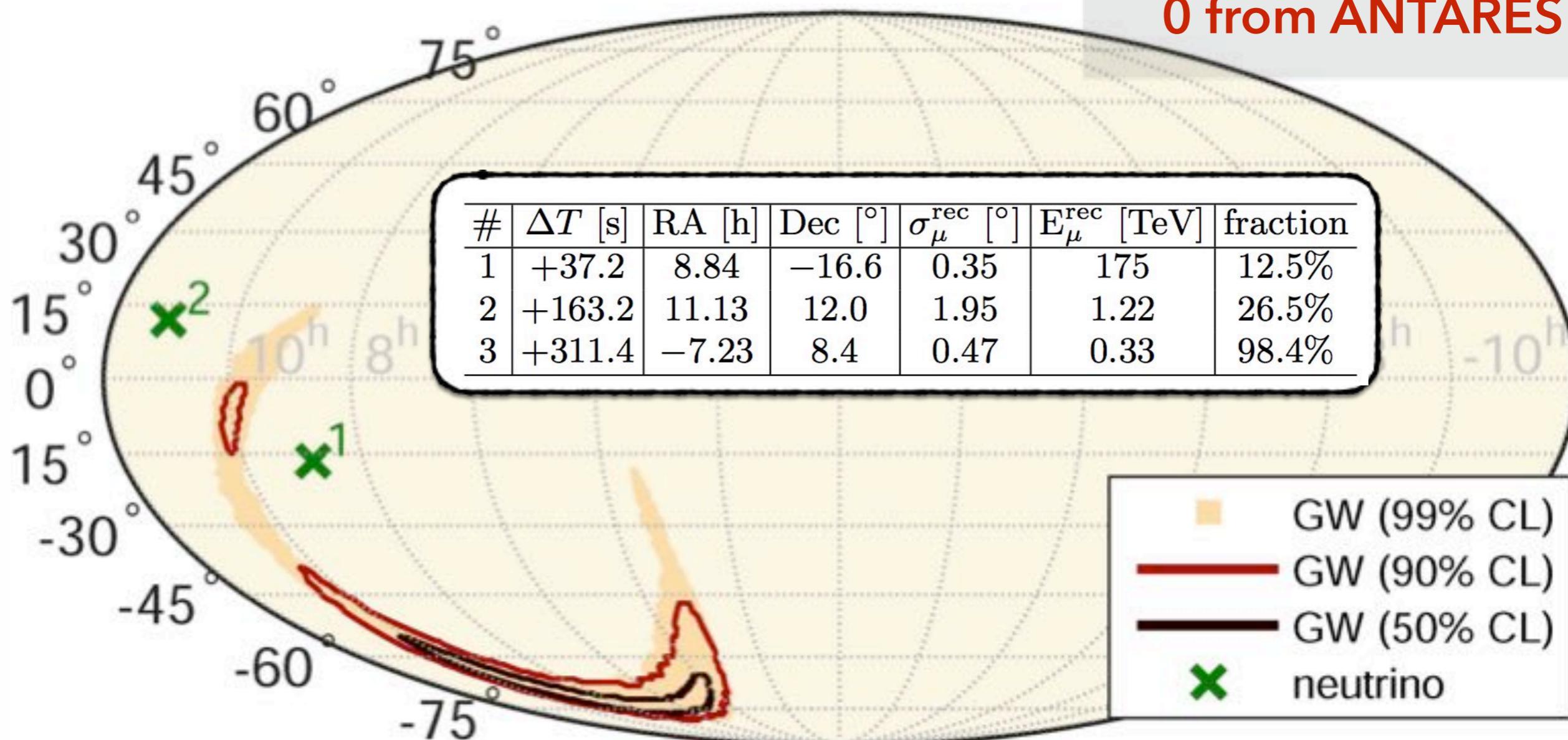


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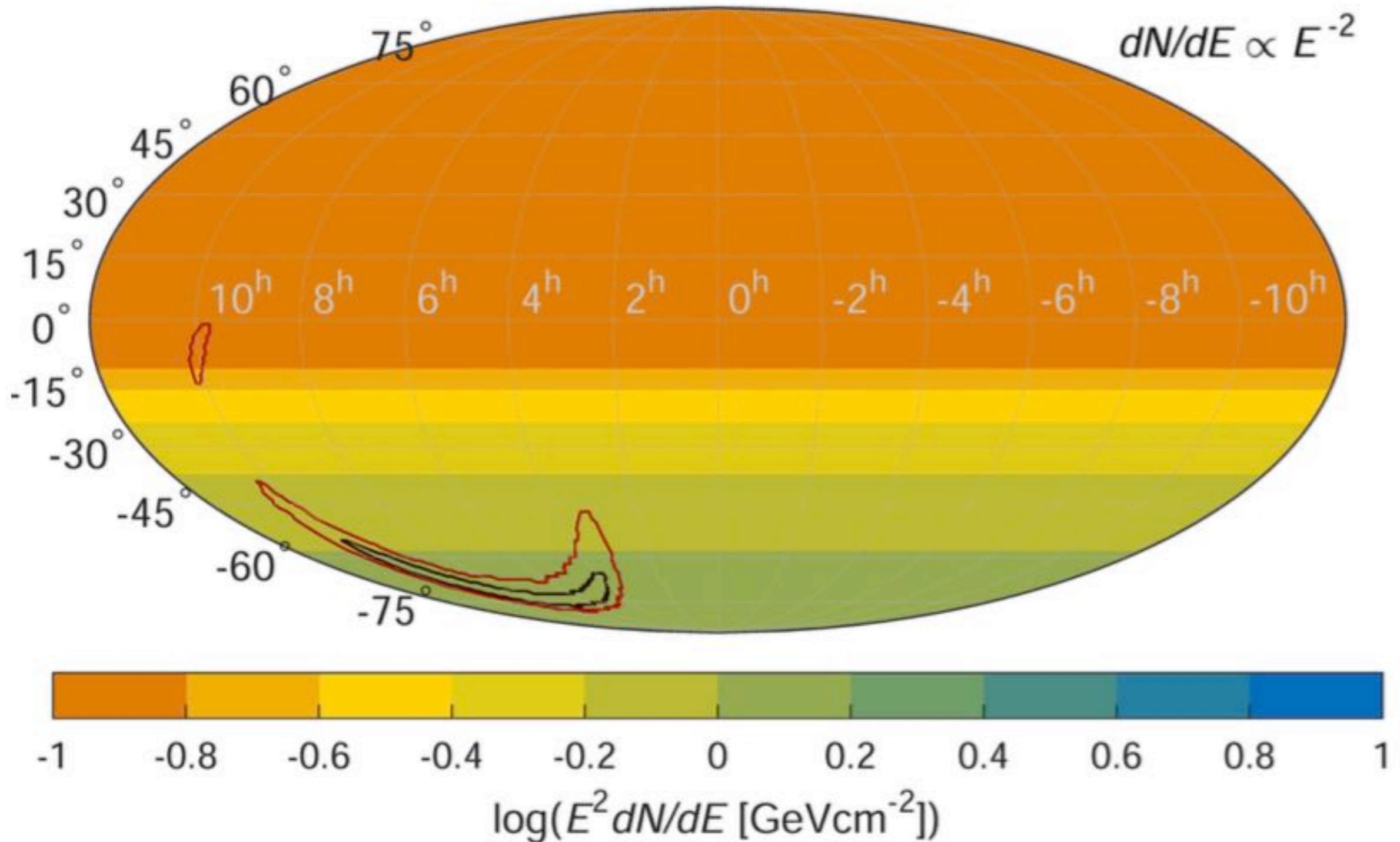
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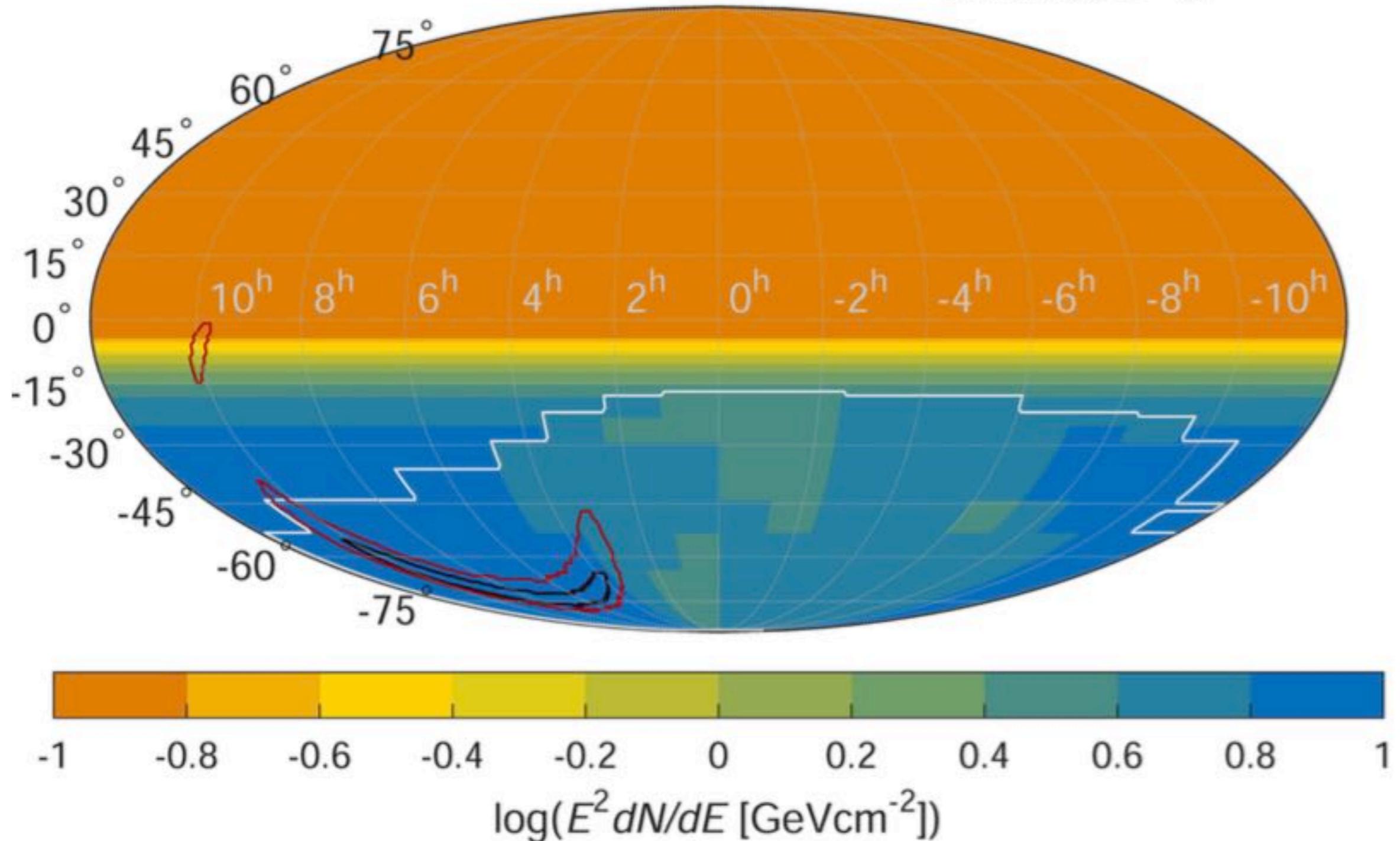
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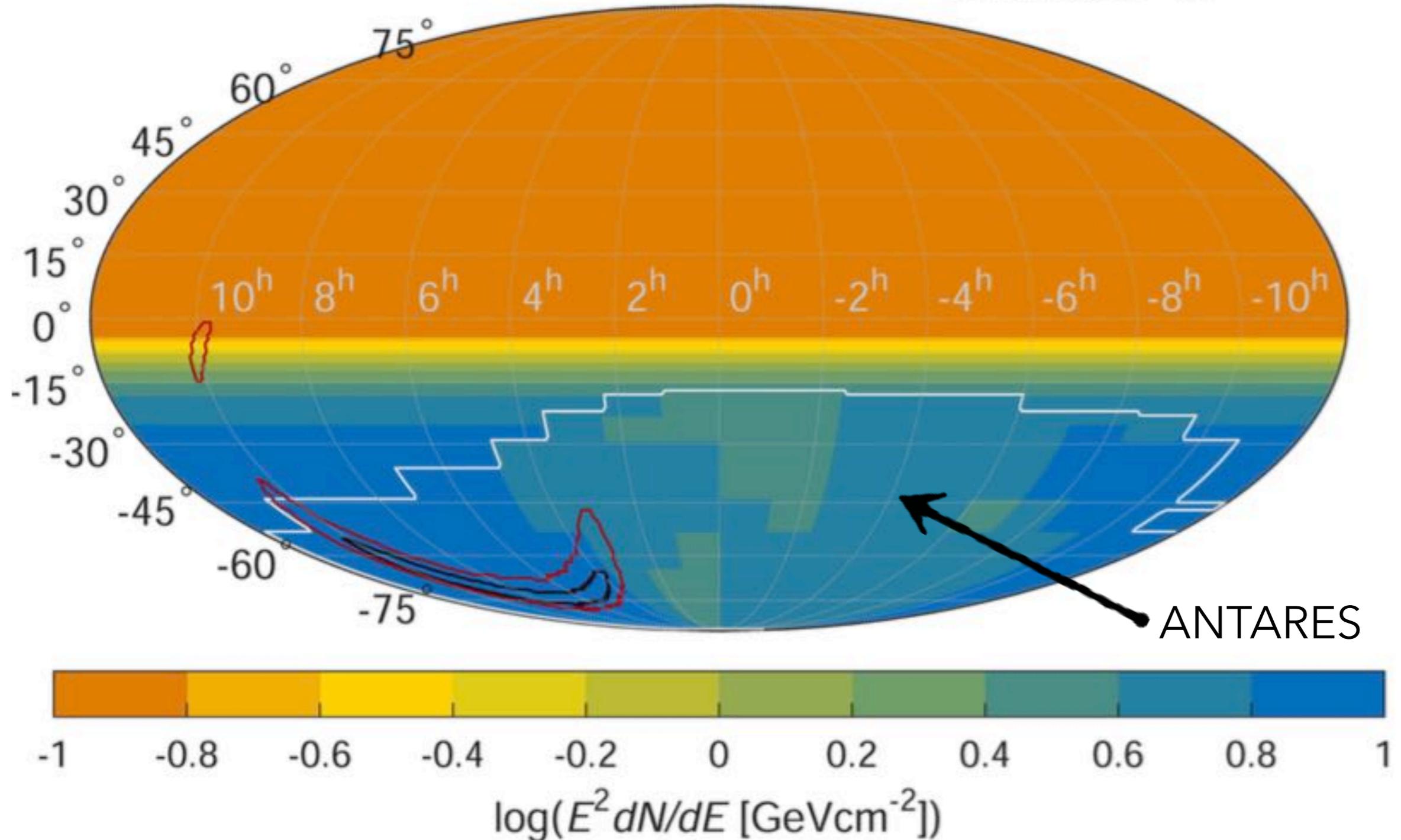
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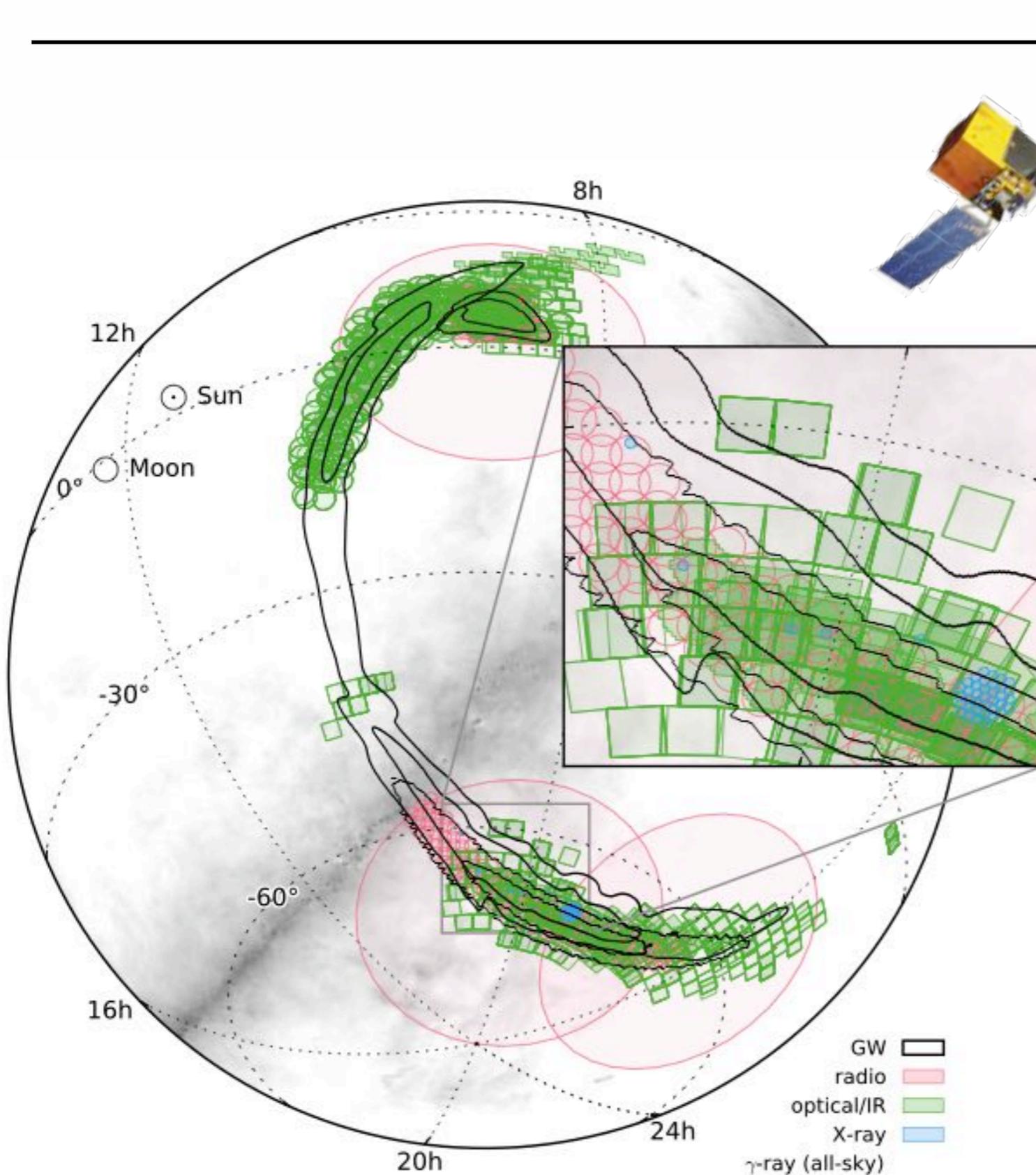
Constraints on the total energy emitted in neutrinos

$$E_{\nu,\text{tot}}^{\text{ul}} = 5.4 \times 10^{51} - 1.3 \times 10^{54} \text{ erg}$$
$$E_{\nu,\text{tot}}^{\text{ul(cutoff)}} = 6.6 \times 10^{51} - 3.7 \times 10^{54} \text{ erg}$$

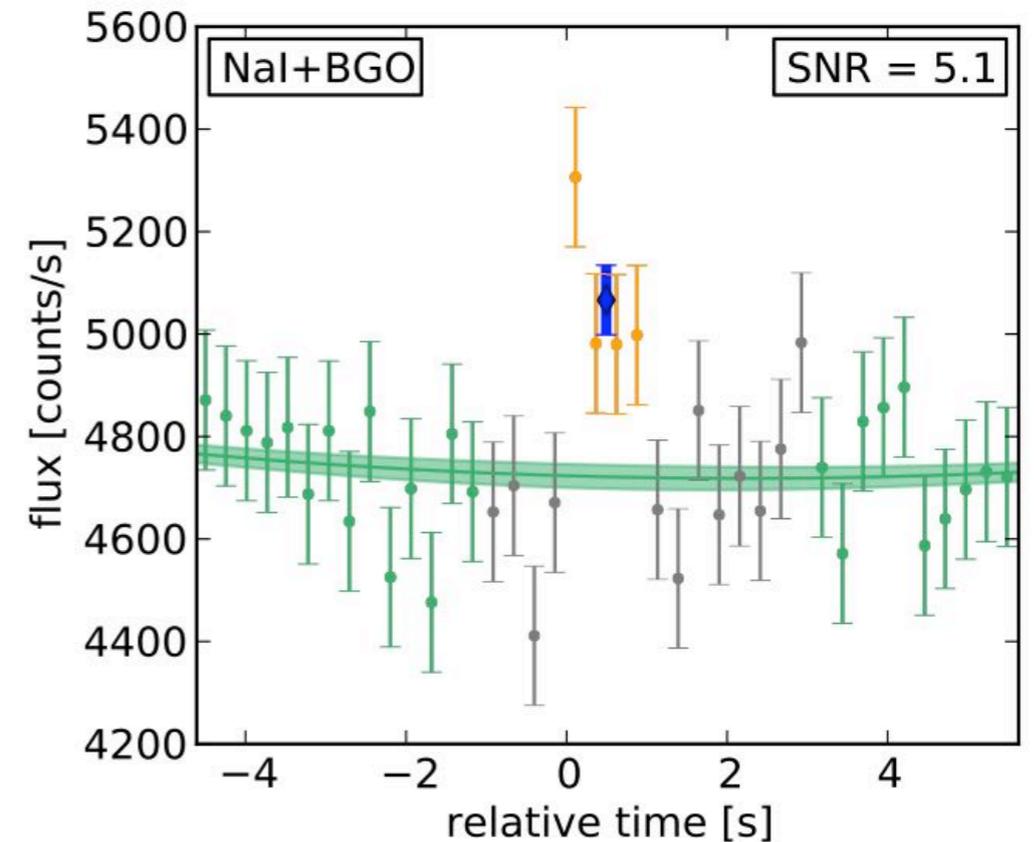
at $d = 410_{-180}^{+160}$ Mpc

- Energy radiated in GW: $\sim 5 \times 10^{54}$ erg
- Typical short GRB isotropic-equivalent energies are $\sim 10^{49}$ erg
- May be similar to total energy radiated in neutrinos in GRBs
(Mészáros 2015, arXiv:1511.01396; Bartos et al., 2013, CQG 30, 12)

Electromagnetic follow-up



Gamma-ray counterpart ?



Connaughton et al., 2016, ApJL, arXiv:1602.03920

Neutrino angular error : $<0.5^{\circ 2}$
GW angular error : $\sim 100^{\circ 2}$

\Rightarrow Neutrino counterpart could constrain the position of the GW event on the sky !

What's next ?

- First neutrino follow-up
- Thanks to previous GW+ HEN studies (e.g. ANTARES/LIGO-Virgo 2013)
- O2 LIGO+Virgo about to start
- Expected detection rate $\sim 2-400 \text{ Gpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$
- Coincident neutrino/GW detection ?
- Can significantly constrain the GW source position
- Would open a new era

Back-up

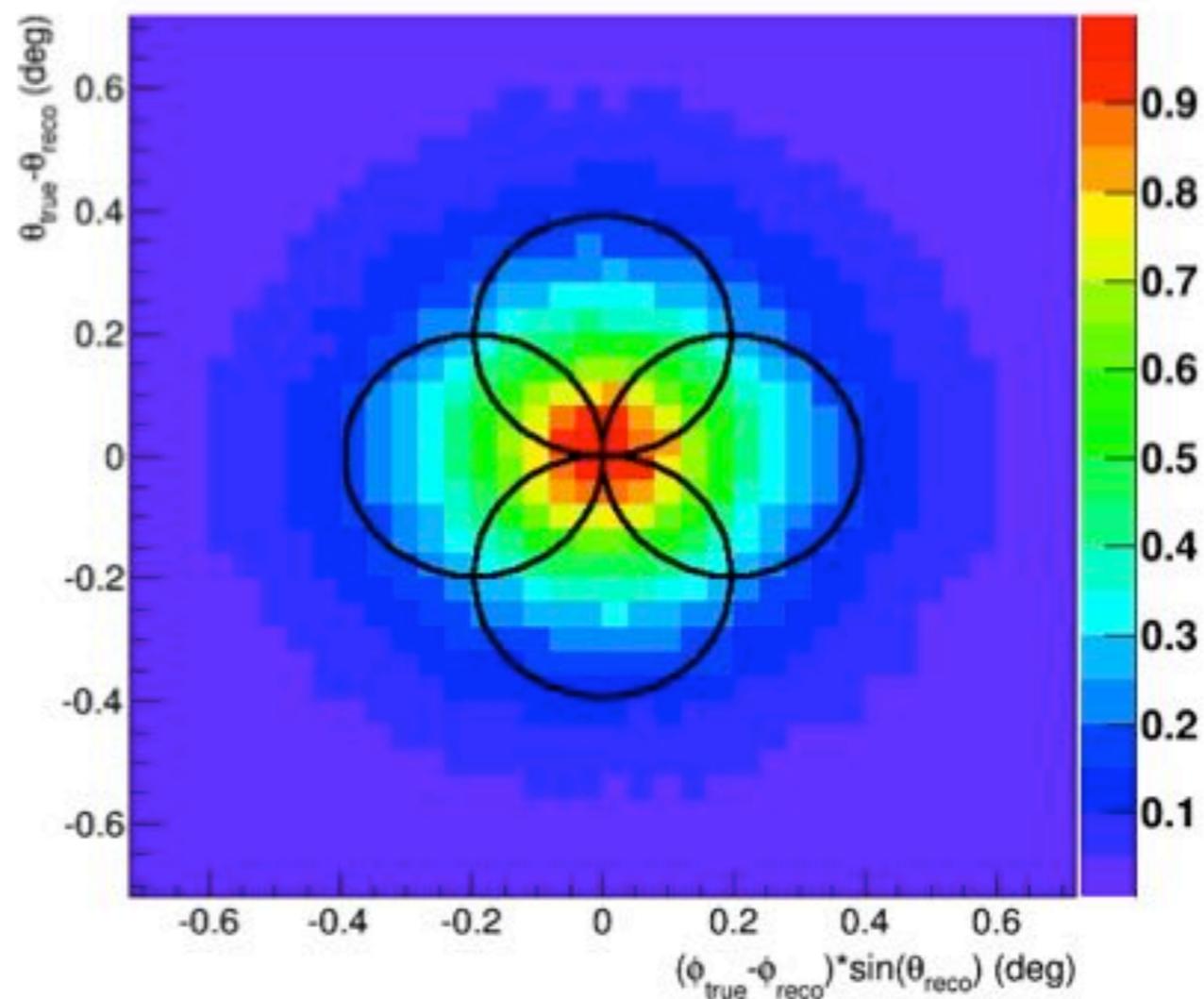


Figure 8. Each *Swift*-XRT observation of an ANTARES trigger consists of 4 tiles (black circles), which covers an area of radius of $\sim 0.4^\circ$. With such a mapping, 72% of the the bi-directional uncertainty of a TAToO alert is covered.

Multi-messenger program

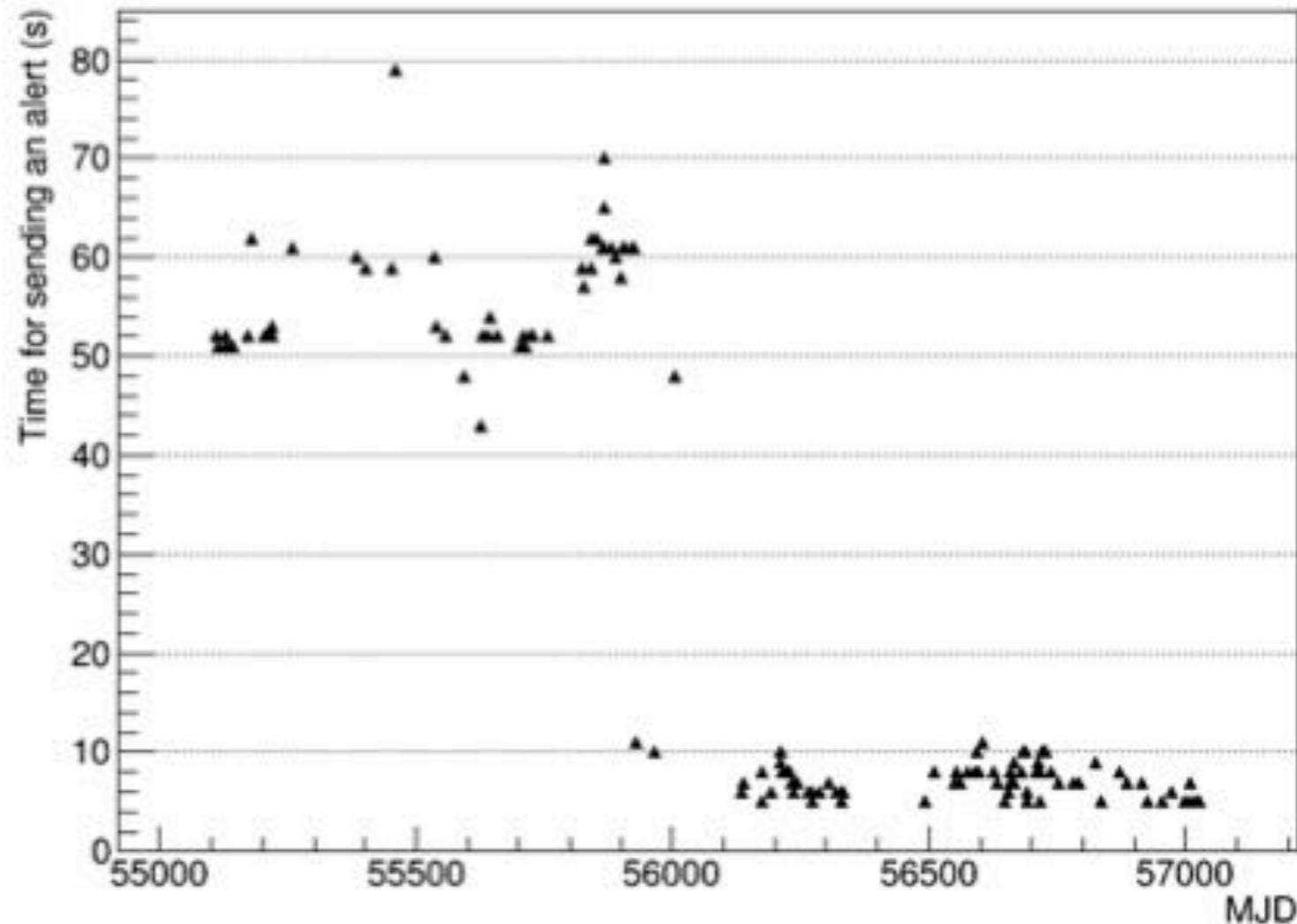


Figure 3. Distribution of the delay between the time of the neutrino detection and the time at which the alert message is sent for the 150 triggers. The step from 50 to 5 seconds beginning of 2012 corresponds to an upgrade of the ANTARES DAQ system.

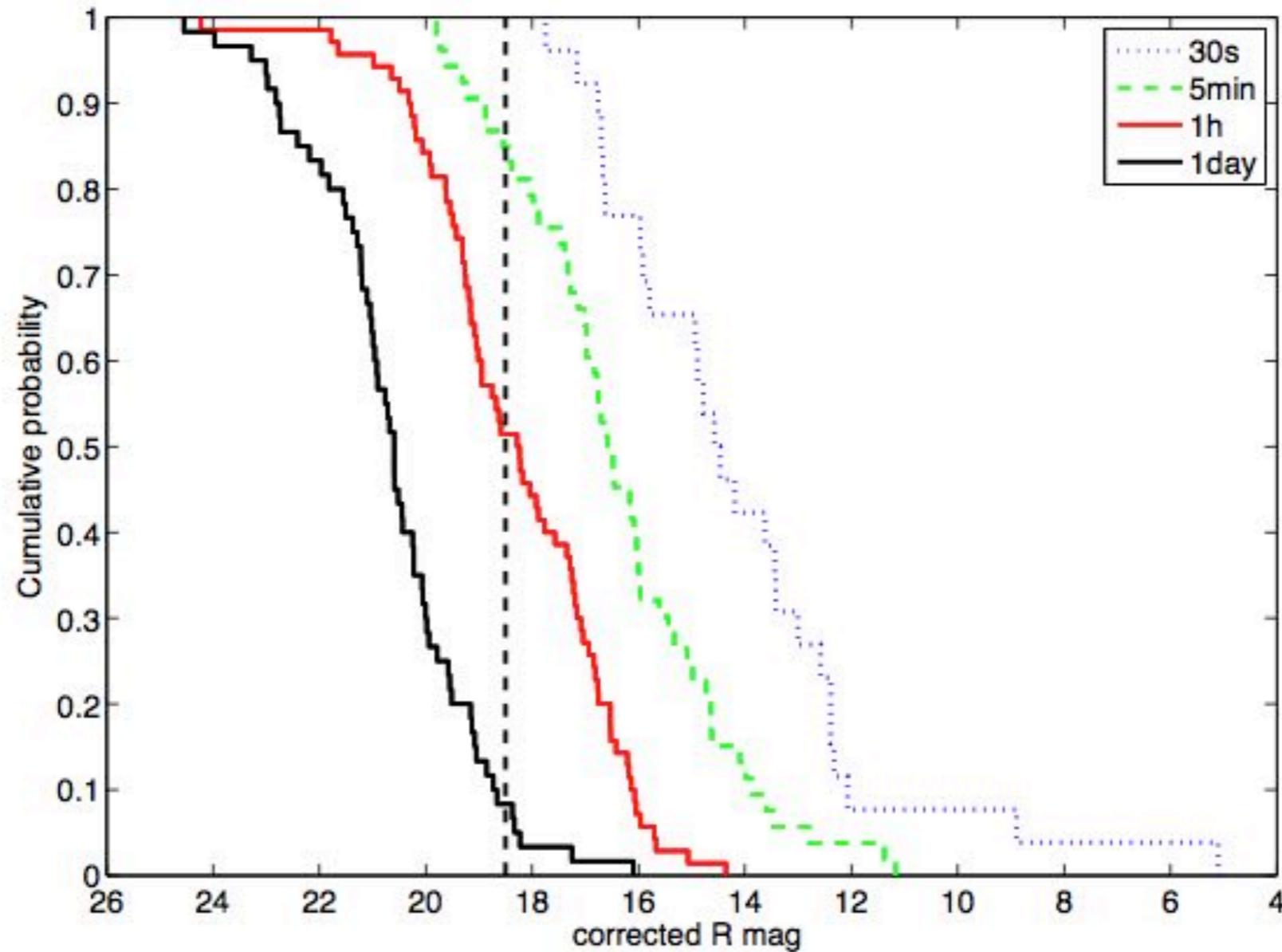


Figure 10. Cumulative distribution of afterglow magnitudes for 301 detected GRBs (figure 9). Each line corresponds to different times after burst. The vertical dashed line represents the limiting magnitude of the optical telescopes.

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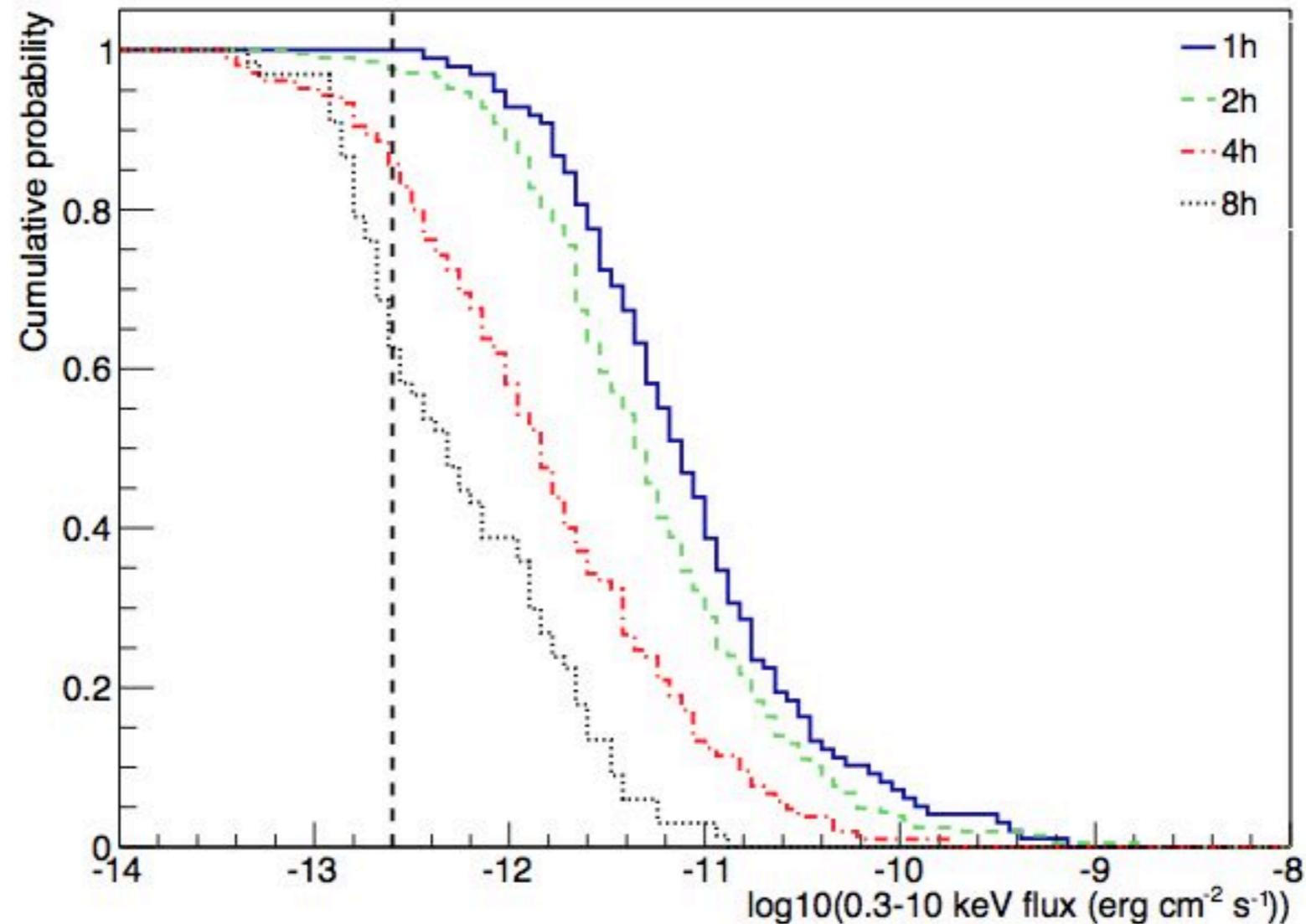


Figure 12. Cumulative distribution of X-ray afterglow magnitudes for 689 GRBs detected by the *Swift*-XRT since 2007. Each line represents different times after bursts. The vertical dashed line represents the sensitivity reached with a 2 ks exposure.

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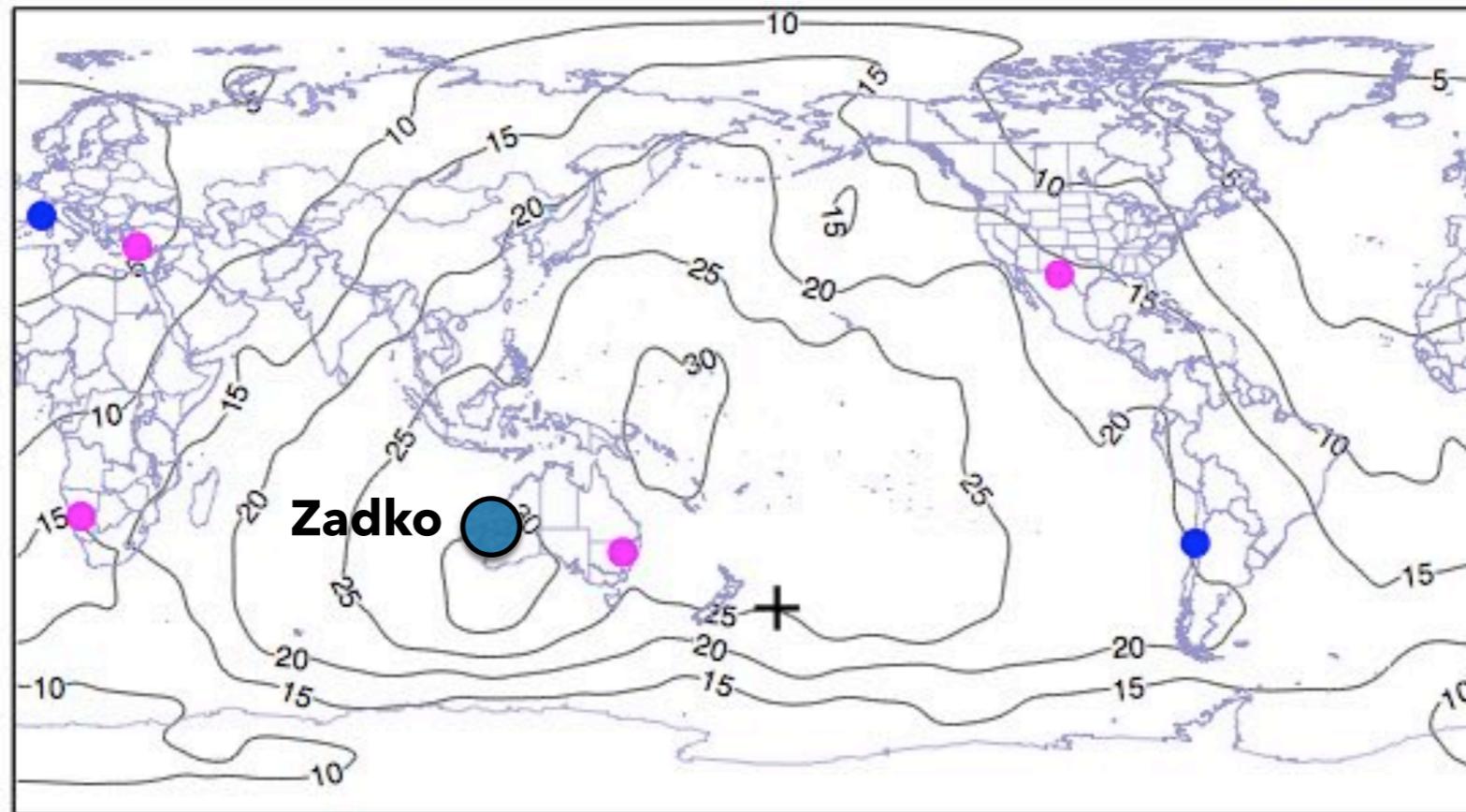


Figure 5. Probability to observe immediately an ANTARES neutrino alert as a function of the location of a telescope in the world. To be observable by the telescope, the neutrino direction should have an elevation above horizon and should happened during the night. To compute the contours as percentage, the visible areas of 140 ANTARES alerts are superposed. 30 means that 30 percents of the alerts (i.e. 42 alerts) were visible immediately at that place. Blue and magenta points are the locations of TAROT and ROTSE telescopes respectively. The black cross indicates the antipodal point of the ANTARES experiment.

Spectral fluence U.L.

Energy range	Limit [GeV cm^{-2}]
100 GeV – 1 TeV	150
1 TeV – 10 TeV	18
10 TeV – 100 TeV	5.1
100 TeV – 1 PeV	5.5
1 PeV – 10 PeV	2.8
10 PeV – 100 PeV	6.5
100 PeV – 1 EeV	28

TABLE II. Upper limits on neutrino spectral fluence ($\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$) from GW150914, separately for different spectral ranges, at Dec = -70° . We assume $dN/dE \propto E^{-2}$ within each energy band.

1) p-value of observing 3 background events when expecting 4.4 :

$$1 - F_{\text{pois}}(N_{\text{observed}} \leq 2, N_{\text{expected}} = 4.4) = 0.81$$

2) Most significant event :

#	ΔT [s]	RA [h]	Dec [°]	$\sigma_{\mu}^{\text{rec}}$ [°]	E_{μ}^{rec} [TeV]	fraction
1	+37.2	8.84	-16.6	0.35	175	12.5%
2	+163.2	11.13	12.0	1.95	1.22	26.5%
3	+311.4	-7.23	8.4	0.47	0.33	98.4%

proba. that at least one candidate (out of 3) has an energy high enough to make it appear even less background-like : $1 - (1 - 0.125)^3 \approx 0.33$

3) Position in the sky :

$$\Omega_{\text{gw}} = 590 \text{ deg}^2 \quad (90\% \text{ C.L. skymap}) \quad \text{and then} \quad \Omega_{\text{gw}}/\Omega_{\text{all}} \approx 0.014$$

Proba. that at least one of the 3 candidates has a position consistent with 90% C.L. skymap :

$$1 - (1 - 0.014)^3 \approx 0.04$$

Fluence definition

Fluence = flux integrated over a certain emission period of interest
(useful for transient phenomena)

- Spectral fluence : $\frac{dN}{dE} = \phi_0 E^{-2}$

- Spectral fluence normalisation : $\phi_0 = \frac{dN}{dE} E^2$

- Energy fluence : $\mathcal{F} = \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} E dN = \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} E \phi_0 E^{-2} dE$