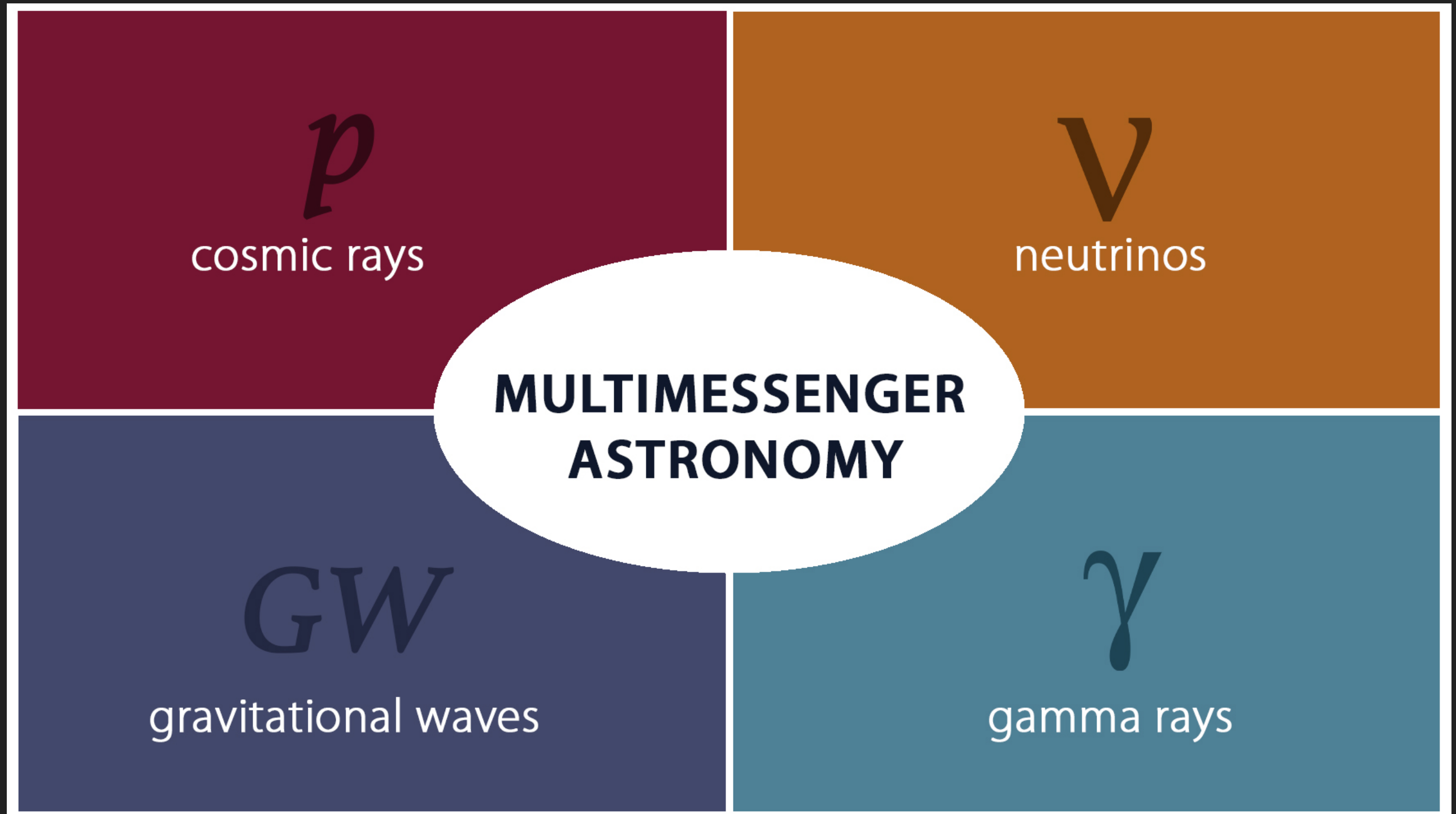


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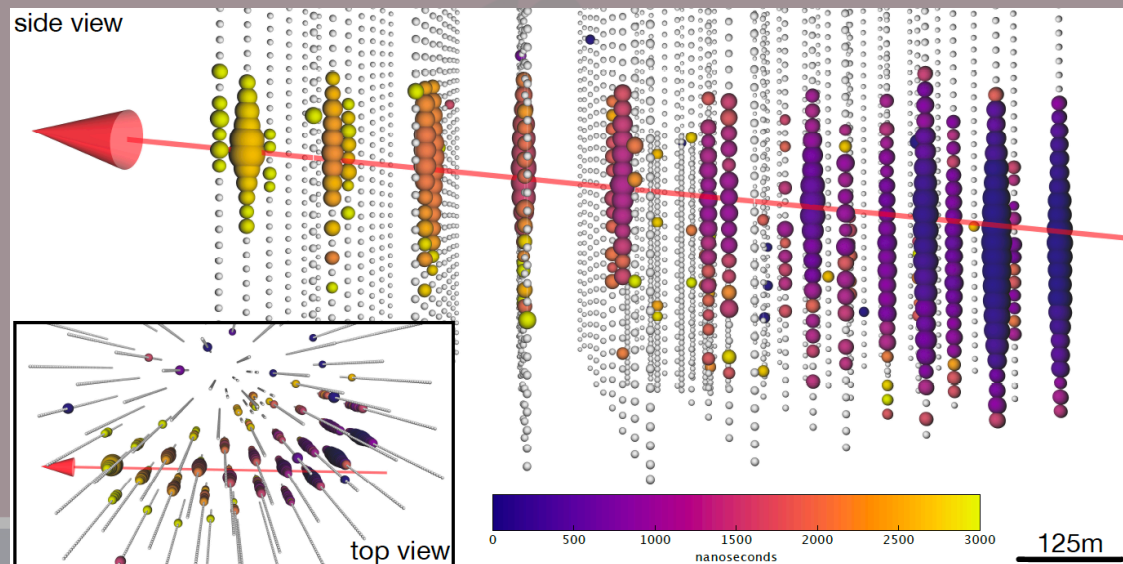
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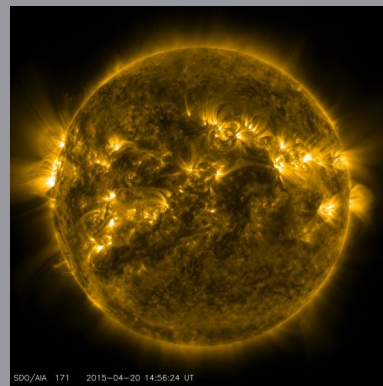
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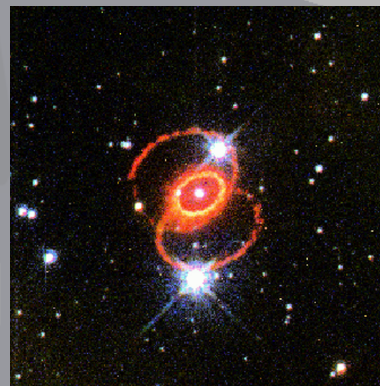


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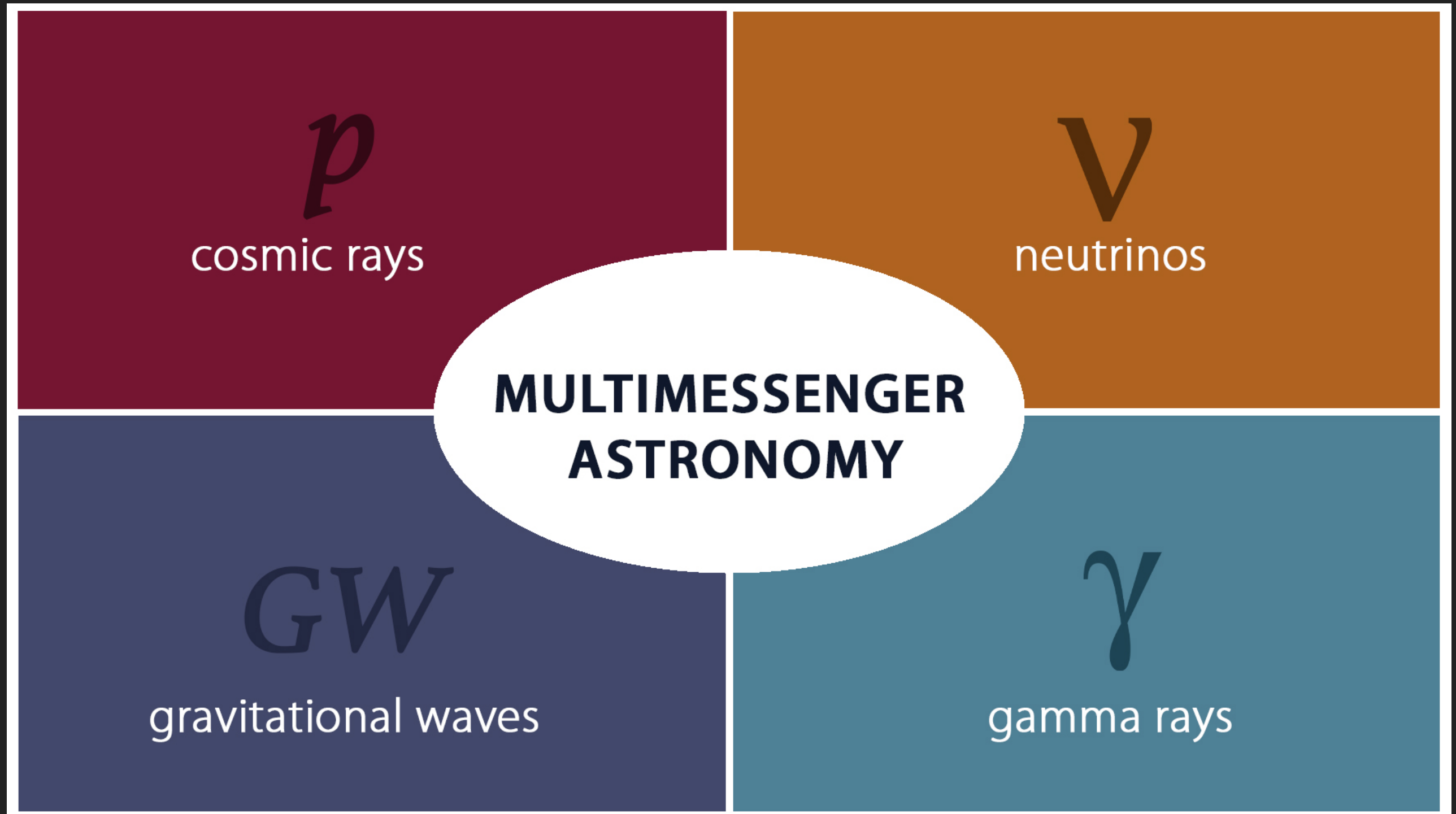


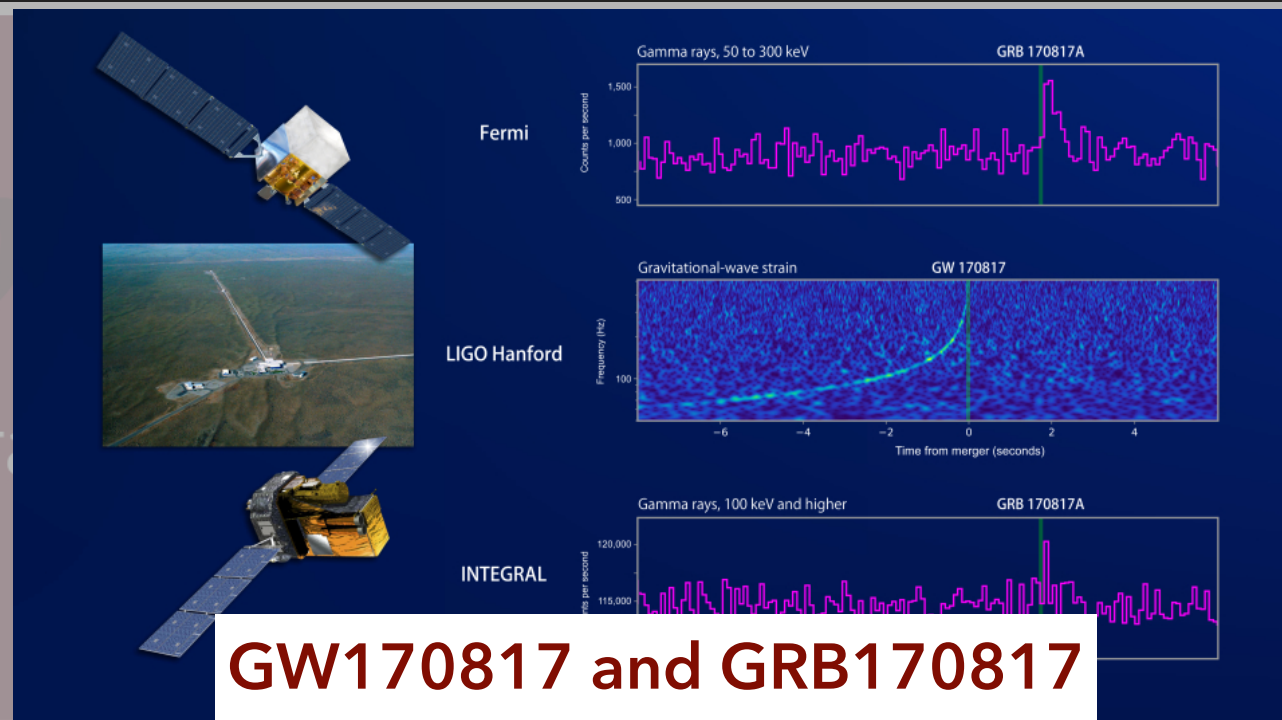
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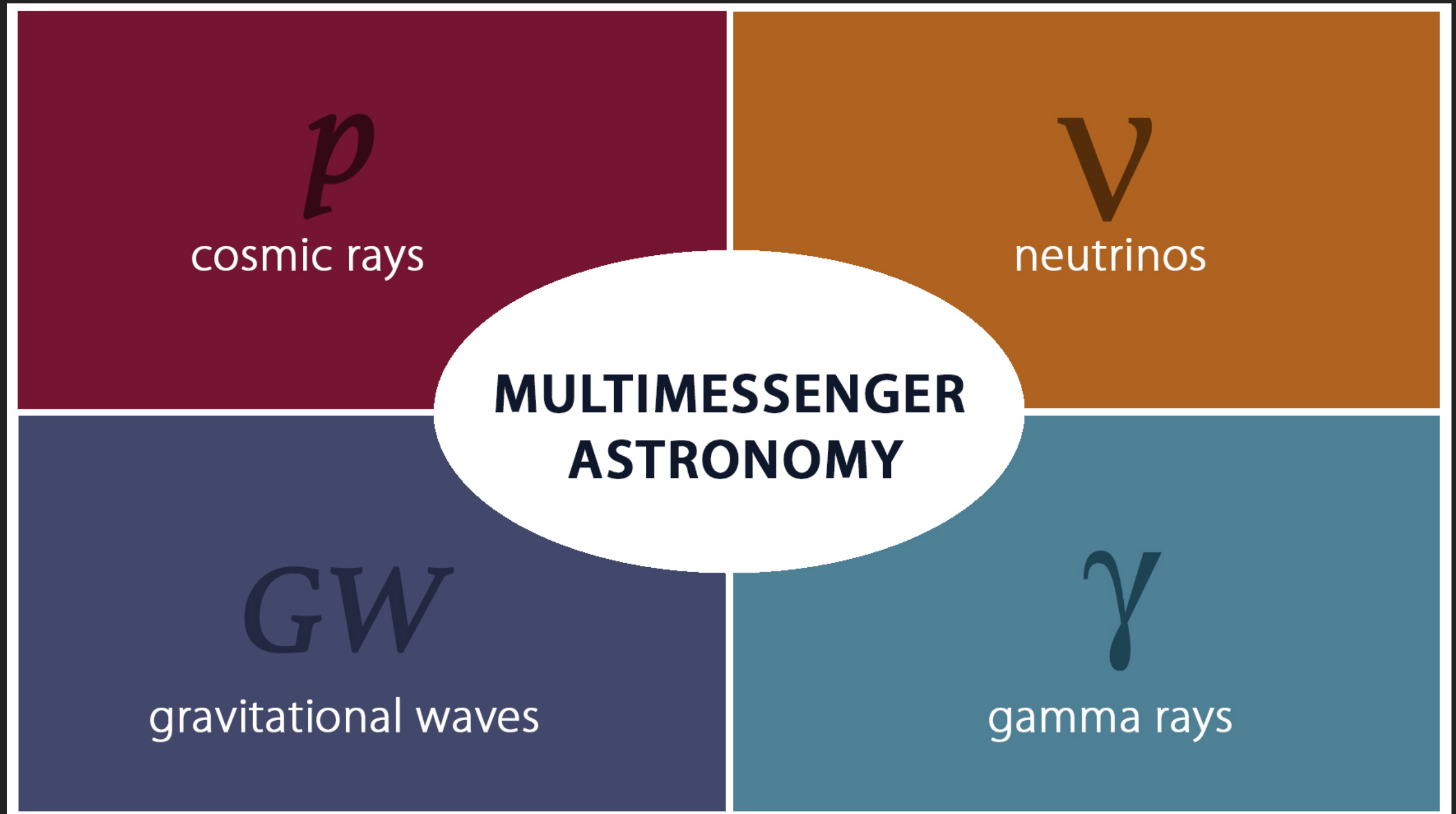


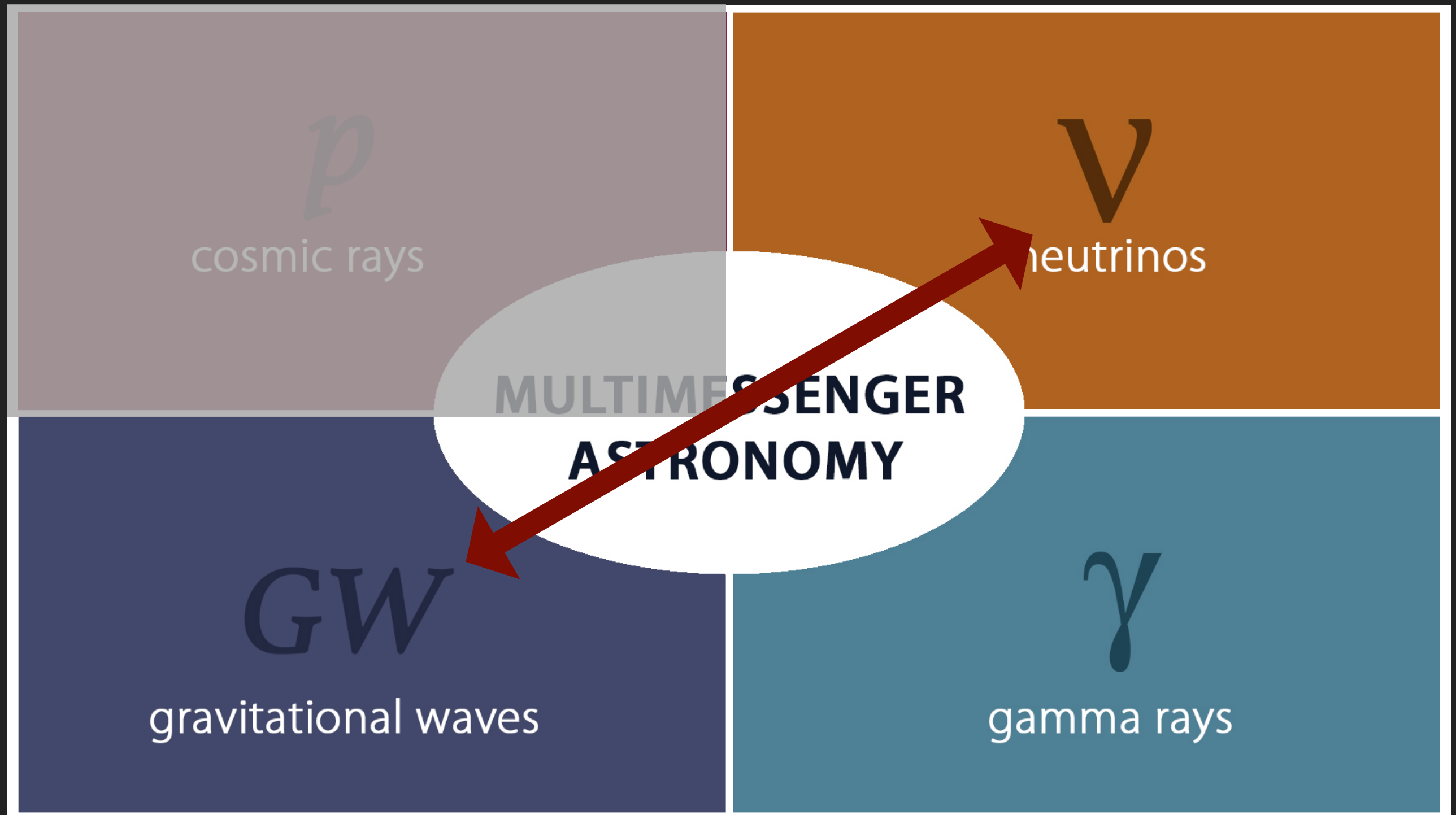
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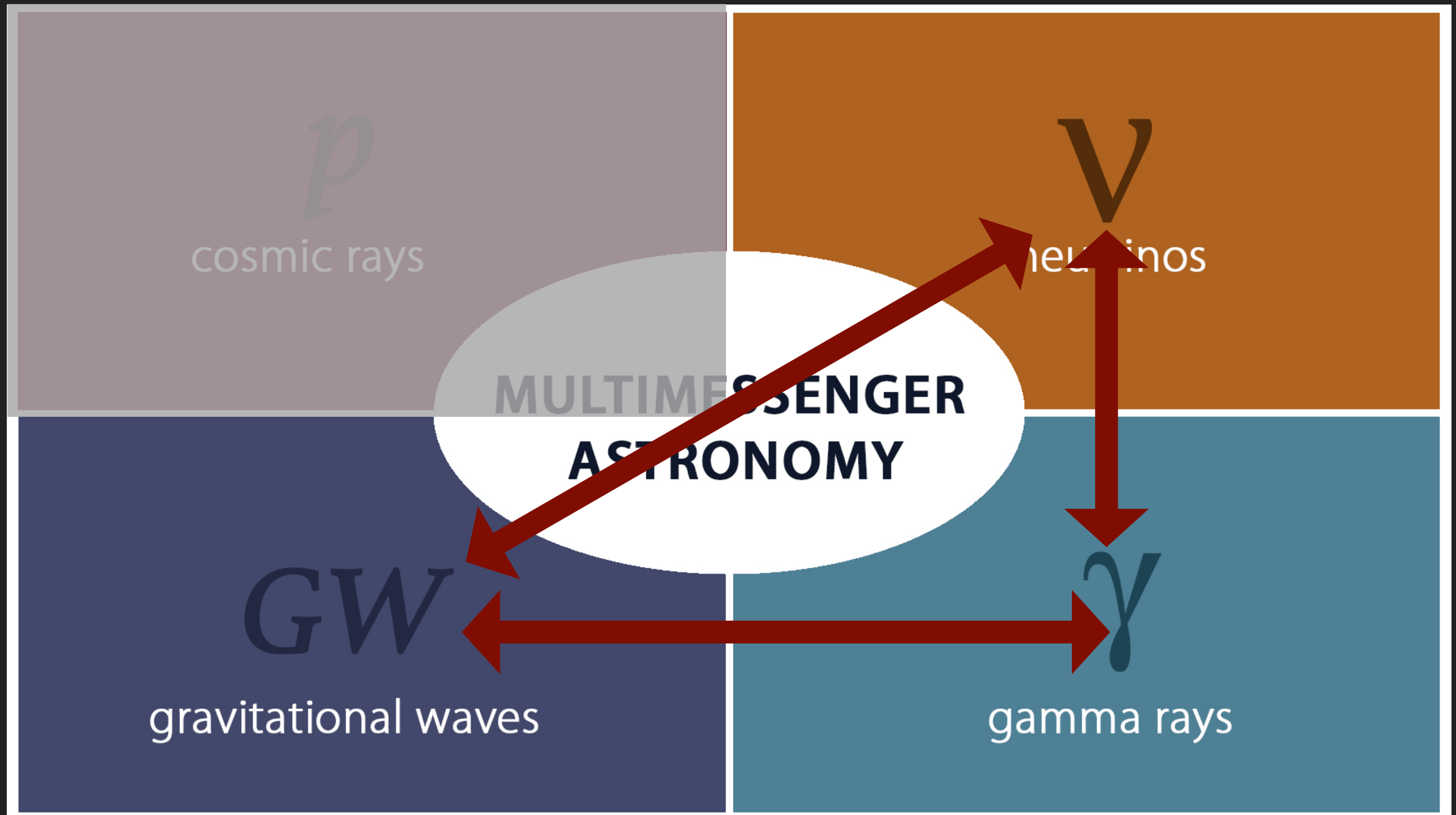
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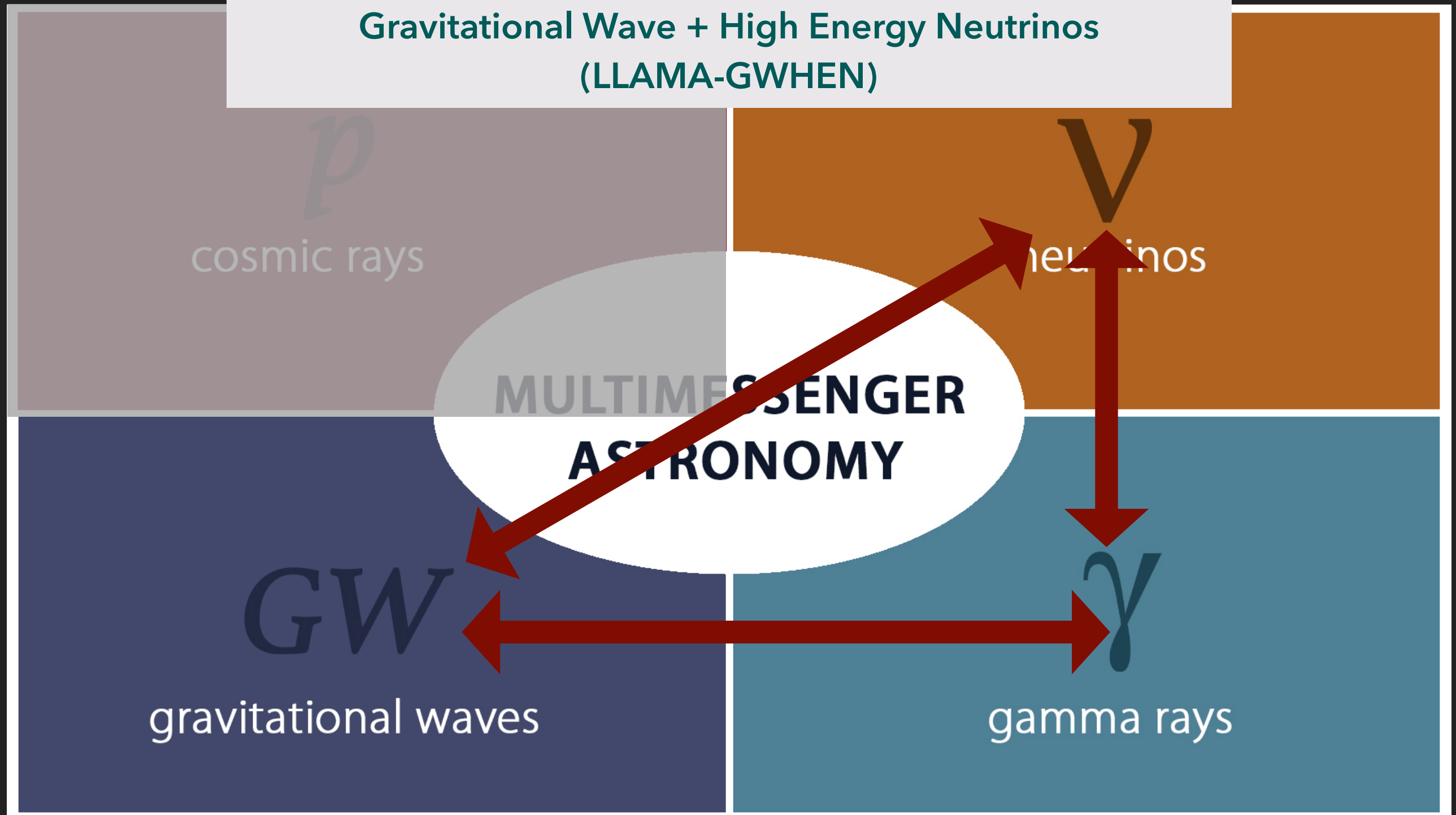
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Low-Latency Algorithm for Multi-messenger Astrophysics
Gravitational Wave + High Energy Neutrinos
(LLAMA-GWHEN)



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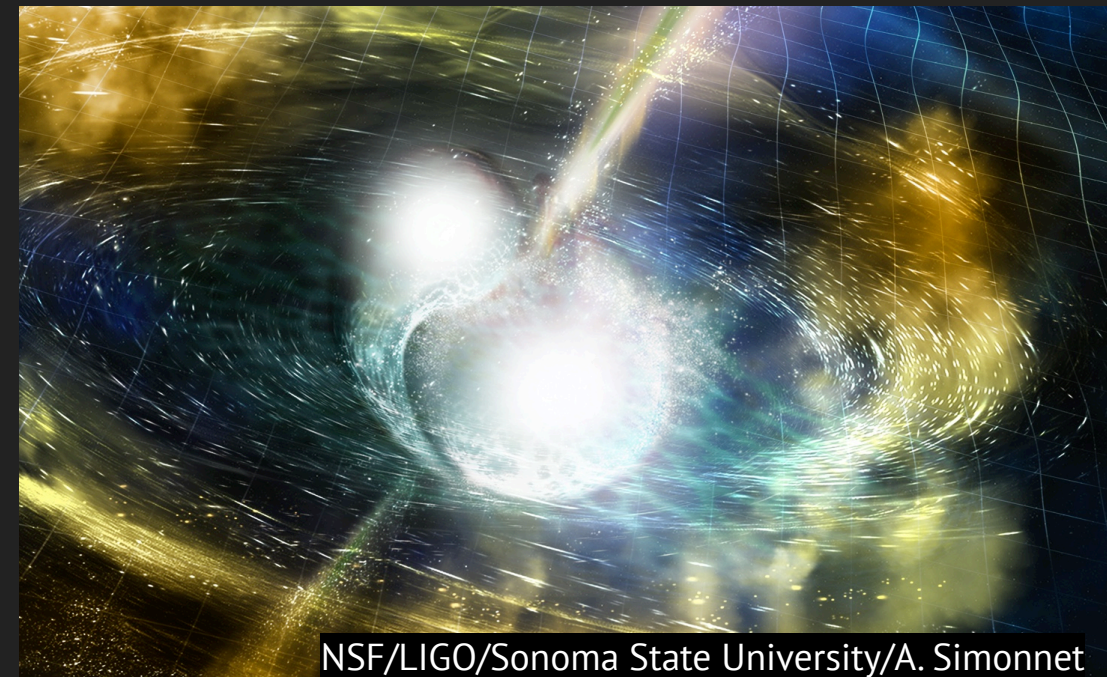
Note: There is another parallel search in IceCube using a transient likelihood analysis!

PoS 918

Talk by Raamis Hussain
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★ Several **sources** proposed:

- ★ Binary neutron star (BNS) merger
- ★ Neutron star – black hole merger
- ★ Core-collapse supernova
- ★ Gamma-ray burst (GRB)
- ★ Soft gamma repeater
- ★ ...



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★ The most promising:

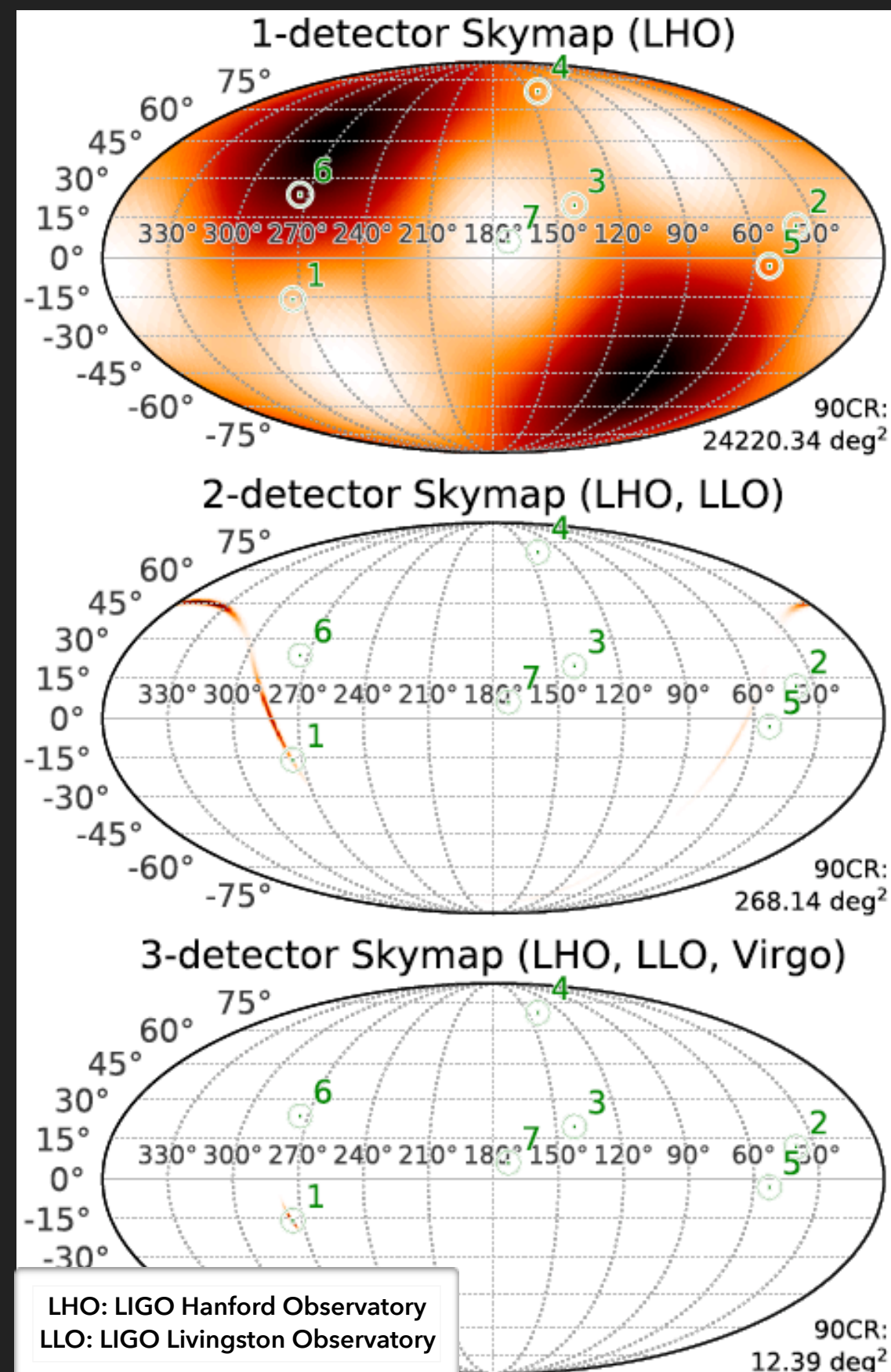
Short GRBs associated with BNS mergers

- ★ Create relativistic outflows producing HENs
- ★ Revealing unknown sources

Advantages of GW+HEN search

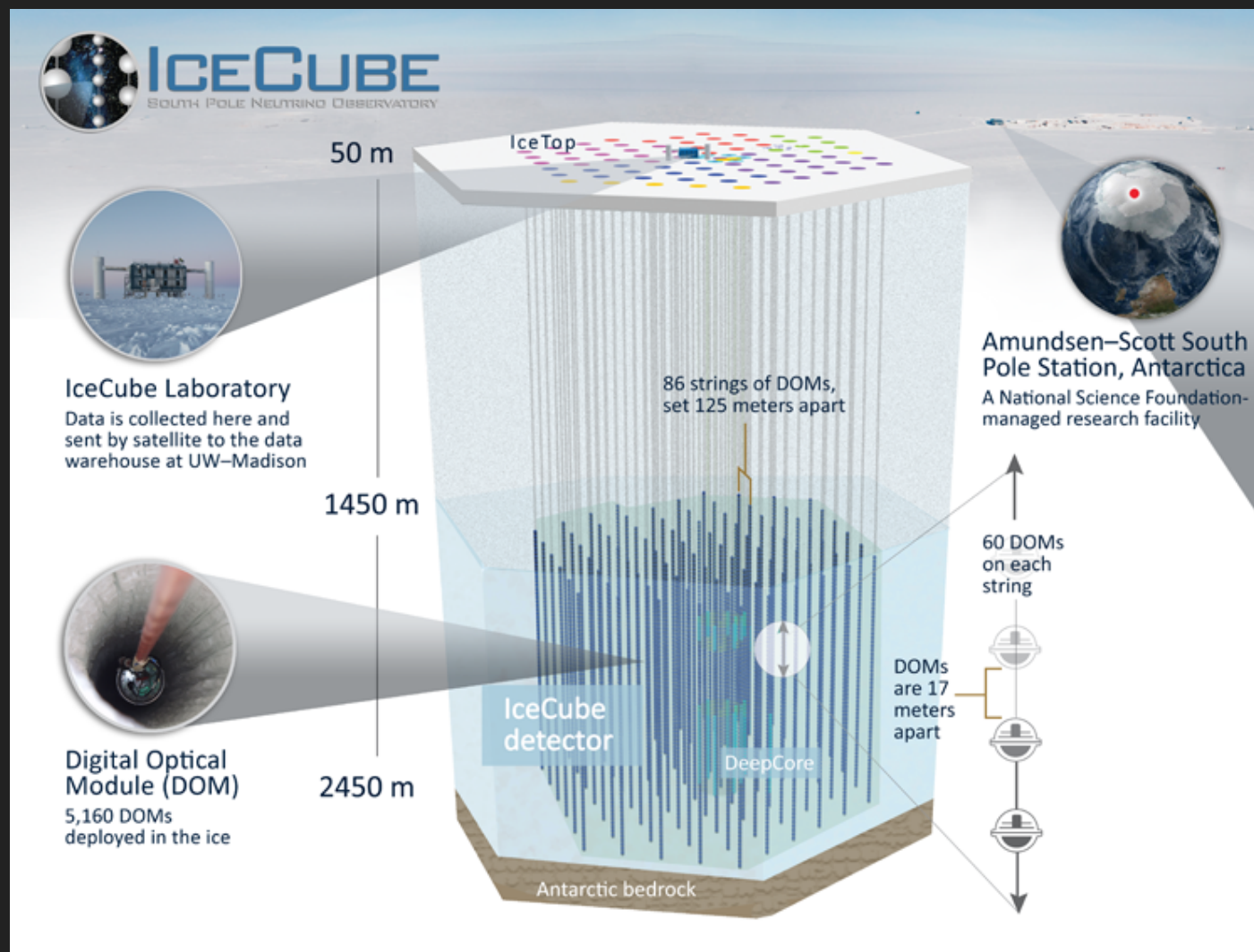
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- ★ **Improved localization:**
 - ★ GW area size (10s-1000s deg²) a limiting factor for EM follow-up efforts
 - ★ Neutrinos (0.5 deg²)
- ★ **Sub-threshold search:**
 - ★ Events with low significances standalone
 - ★ Joint GW+HEN event: higher significance
 - ★ Further follow-up observations increase discovery potential
- ★ **Astrophysical information:**
 - ★ E.g. prior distance distribution
 - ★ Enhance sensitivity
- ★ **Higher event rate:**
 - ★ Automation is needed

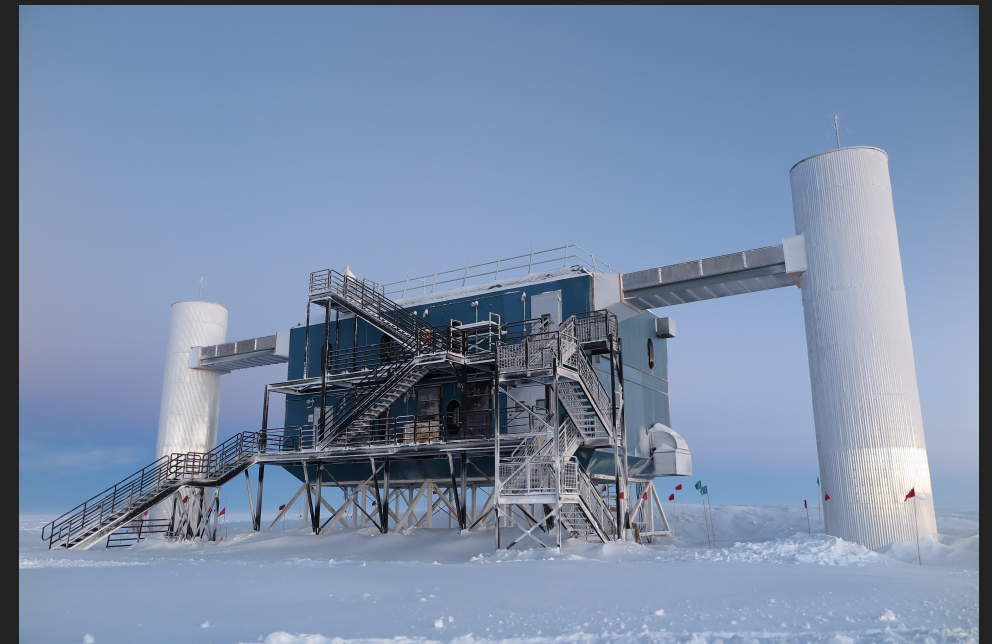


Gravitational Waves and High-Energy Neutrinos

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★ IceCube Neutrino Observatory is a Gigaton detector at the South Pole designed to detect cosmic neutrinos!



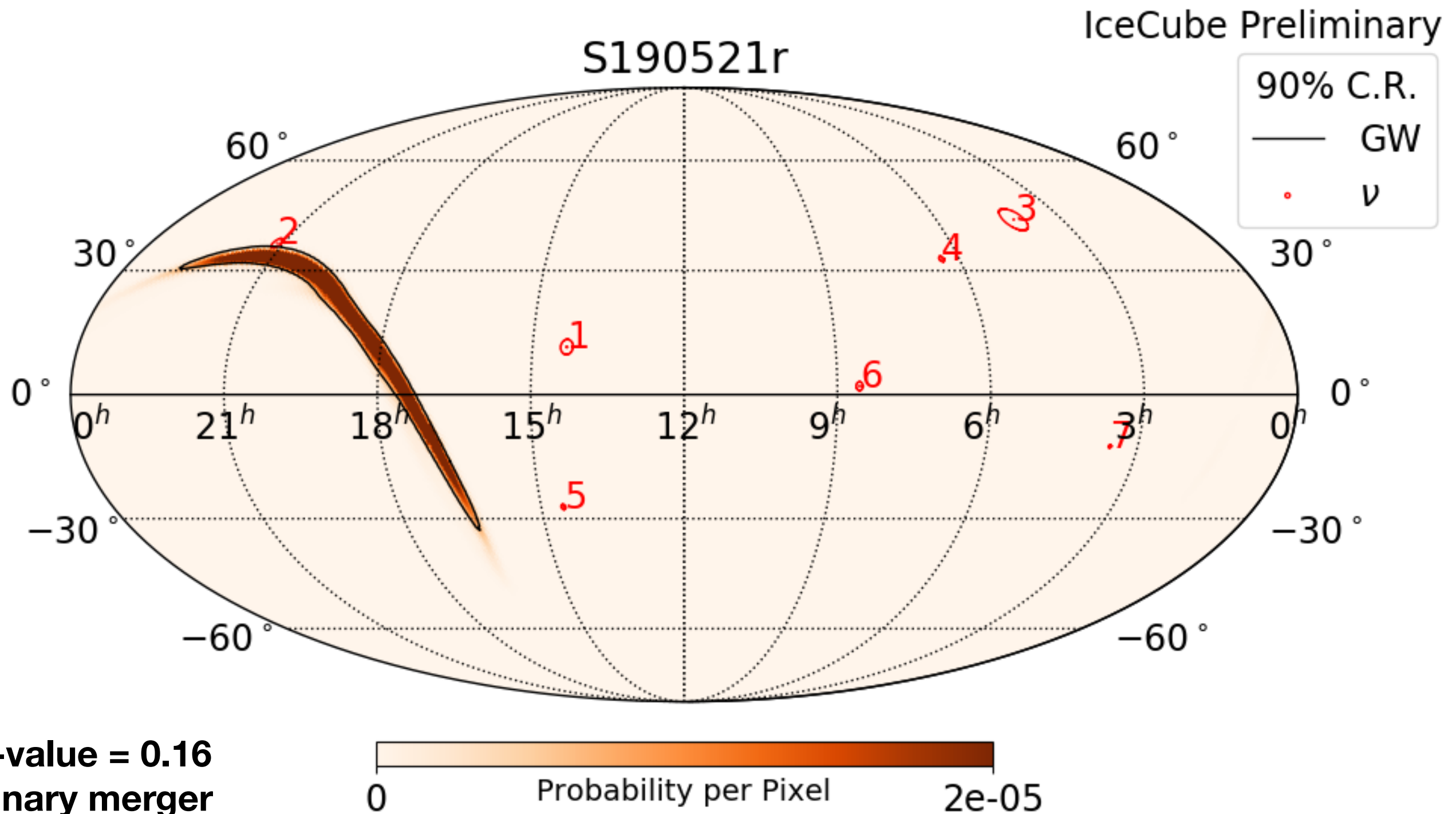
★ LIGO/Virgo observatories designed to detect cosmic gravitational waves by measuring the ripples in spacetime.



- ★ Test Statistic (TS) based on **astrophysical priors** and **detector characteristics (empirical)**
- ★ Define whether a GWHEN correlated signal is:
 - ★ Real event (P_{signal})
 - ★ Chance coincidence of background GW and background neutrino (P_{null})
 - ★ Chance coincidence of astrophysical GW and background neutrino or vice versa ($P_{\text{coincidence}}$)
- ★ Calculate **p-values** using Bayesian odds ratio as **TS**

$$\text{TS} = \frac{P_{\text{signal}}}{P_{\text{null}} + P_{\text{coincidence}}}$$

An example of our internal analysis



Results during O3 so far

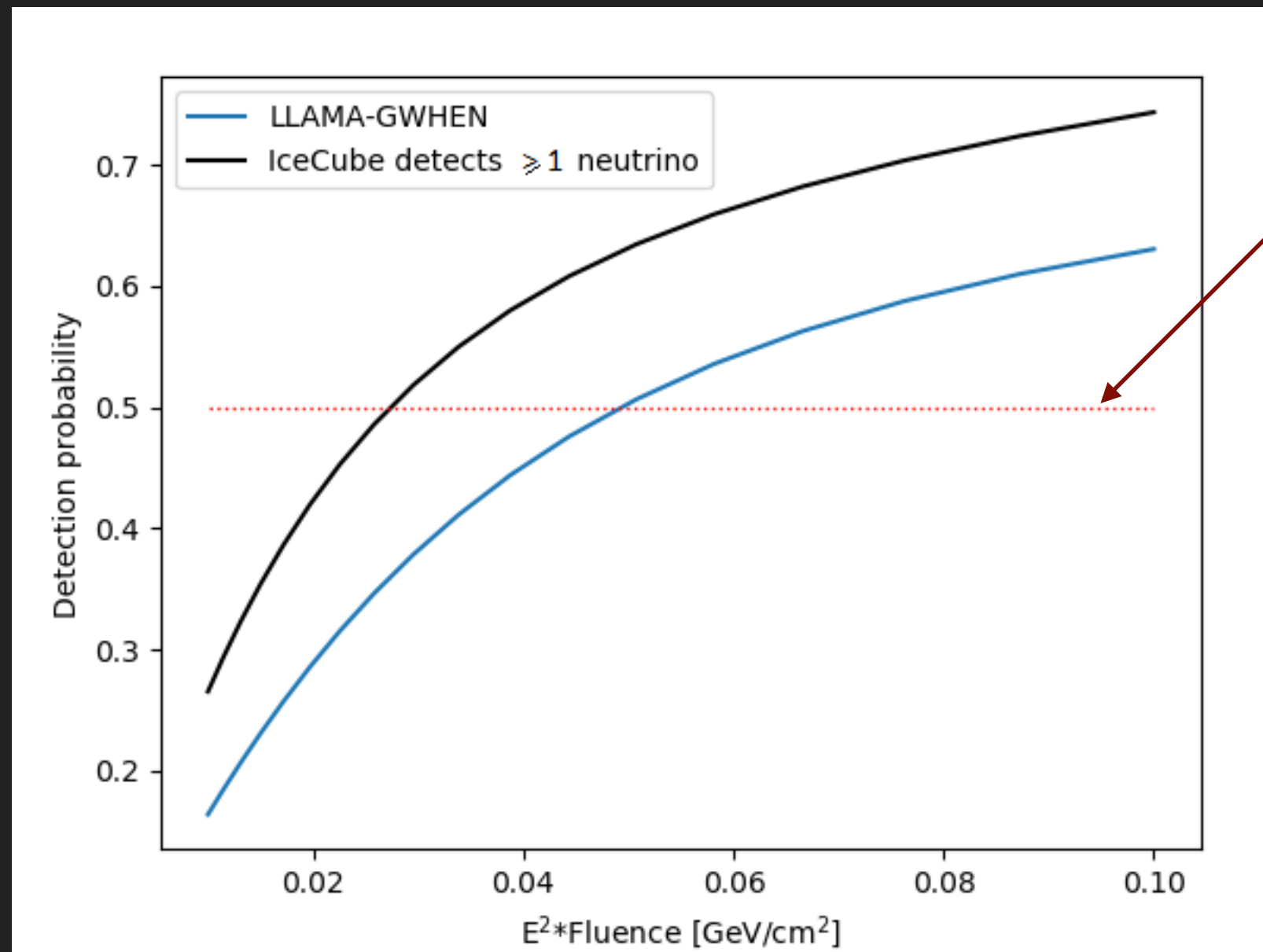
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No.	GW event	Possible Source (probability)	p-value (binary merger)
1	S190408an	BBH (>99%)	0.15
2	S190412m	BBH (>99%)	0.83
3	S190421ar	BBH (97%), Trs (3%)	0.62
4	S190425z	BNS (>99%)	—
5	S190426c	BNS (49%), NSBH (13%), Trs (14%), MG (24%)	—
6	S190503bf	BBH (96%), MG (3%)	0.29
7	S190510g	BNS (42%), Trs (58%)	—
8	S190512at	BBH (99%), Trs (1%)	0.51
9	S190513bm	BBH (94%), MG (5%)	0.74
10	S190517h	BBH (98%), MG (2%)	0.12
11	S190519bj	BBH (96%), Trs (4%)	0.16
12	S190521g	BBH (97%), Trs (3%)	0.19
13	S190521r	BBH (>99%)	0.16
14	S190602aq	BBH (>99%)	0.13
15	S190630ag	BBH (94%), MG (5%), NSBH (<1%), Trs (<1%),	0.23
16	S190701ah	BBH (93%), Trs (7%)	0.20
17	S190706ai	BBH (>99%)	0.77
18	S190707q	BBH (>99%)	0.49
19	S190718y	BNS (2%), Trs (98%)	0.13
20	S190720a	BBH (>99%)	0.75
21	S190727h	BBH (92%), Trs (5%), MG (3%)	0.45

P-values for BNS
events being revisited

BBH: Binary Black Hole
BNS: Binary Neutron Star
Trs: Terrestrial
MG: MassGap
NSBH: Neutron Star - Black Hole

- ★ Discovery potential of the LLAMA search for GWHEN events vs ν fluence
- ★ Fluence = 0.049 GeV/cm^2
(detected with 50%, averaged of the entire sky)
- ★ E^{-2} energy spectrum

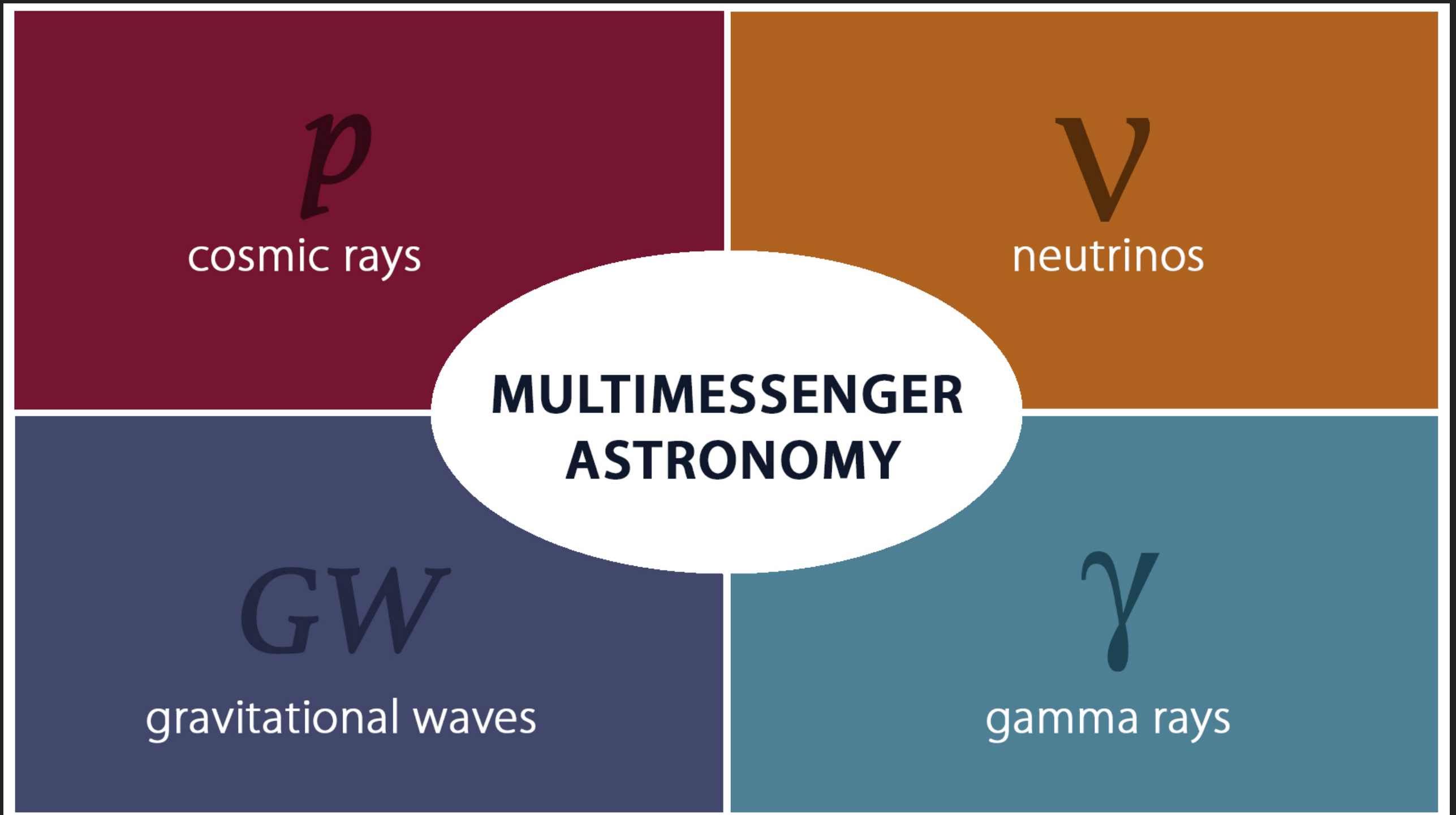


Discovery Potential

- ★ Send out **GCN Circulars** of follow-up results of any GW event
Median latency relative to the GCN notices: $67 \pm 33^*$ minutes!
- ★ Two methods/hypotheses tested and reported in IceCube
(one is LLAMA-GWHEN)
- ★ In case of **p-value < 1%**, distribute information:
 - ★ Time differences
 - ★ Direction
 - ★ Angular error
 - ★ Number of neutrinos
 - ★ P-values of both analyses
- ★ Possible **revisions**
(due to improved GW or HEN localization)
- ★ Potential **retractions**
(due to a retraction of one of the input triggers)

Thank you!

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- ★ **GW triggers:**
LIGO/Virgo significant candidate events generated by detection pipelines (**cWB, GstLAL, PyCBC, etc.**) stored on GraceDB including skymaps
- ★ Pull data from GraceDB (currently only public alerts)
- ★ **IceCube triggers:**
Gamma-ray Follow-Up (**GFU**) stream
- ★ Pull data from IceCube's GFU API
- ★ LLAMA-GWHEN runs the analysis
- ★ Produce joint skymap and significance
- ★ Prepare a GCN Circular draft

