

Babamul & BOOM

Next Generation alert brokering
in the ZTF + Rubin era

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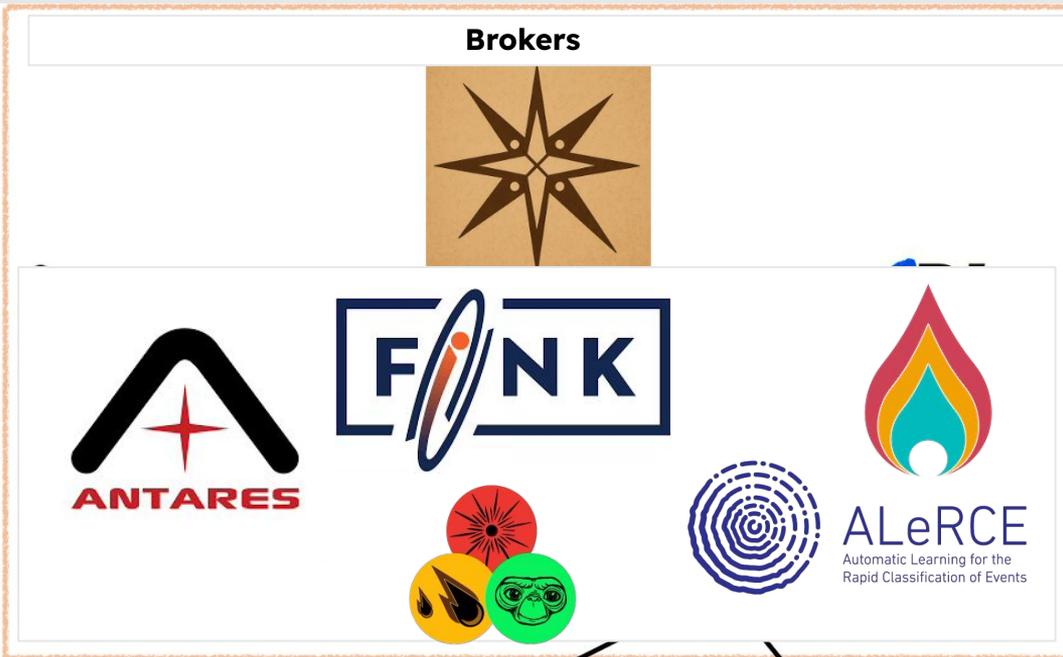


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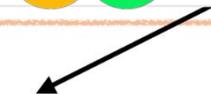
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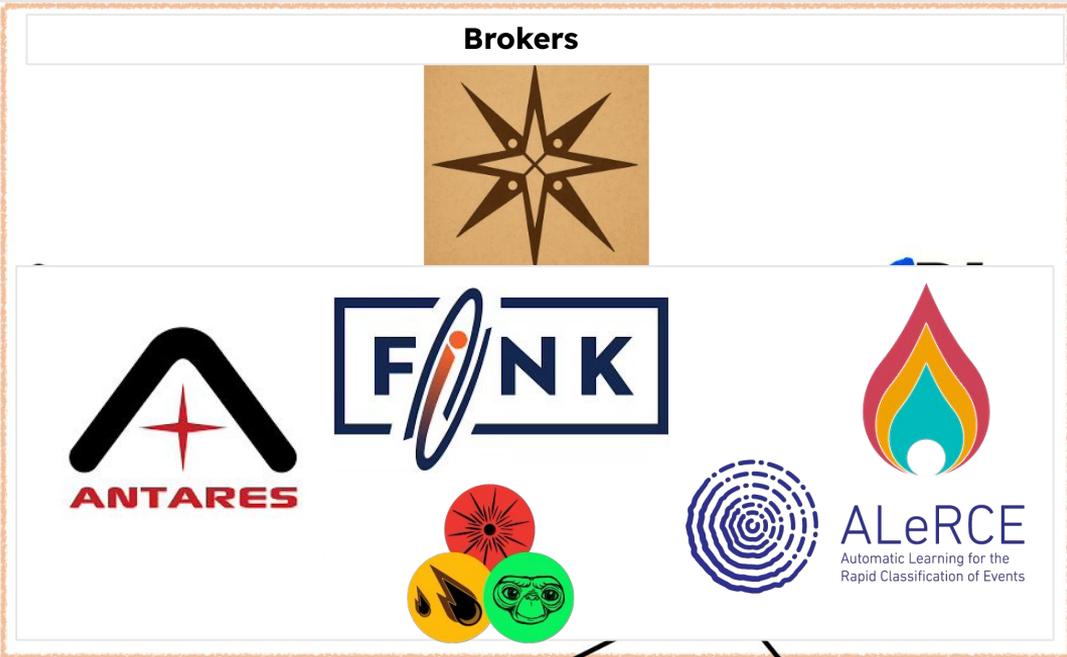
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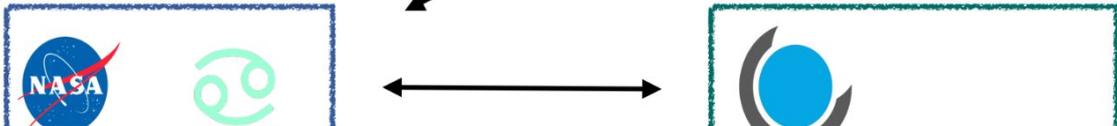
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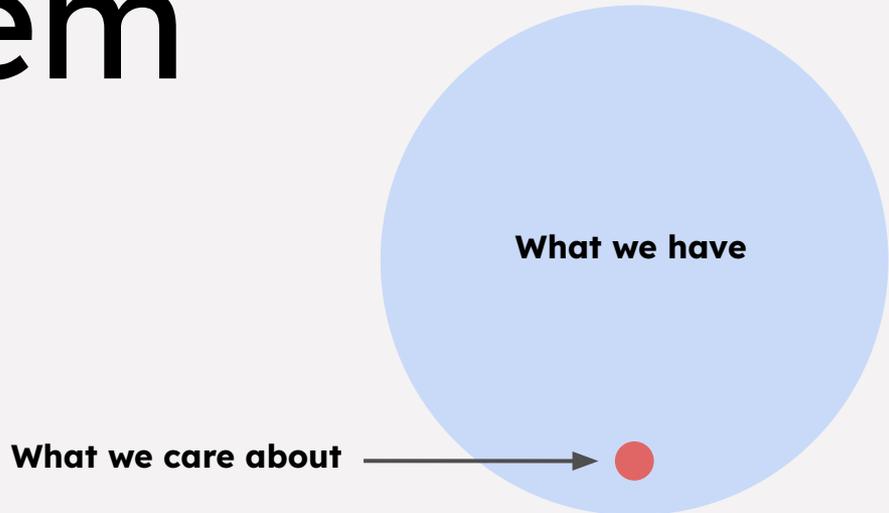


Marshals



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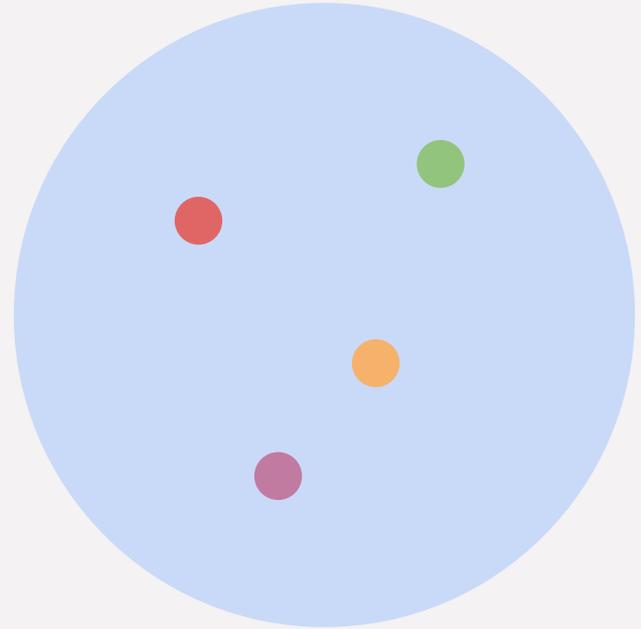
A ~~Astronomy~~ Big Data* Problem



*Rubin: 20 million alerts / night

An Astronomy Problem

- What **A** cares about
- What **B** cares about
- What **C** cares about
- What **D** cares about

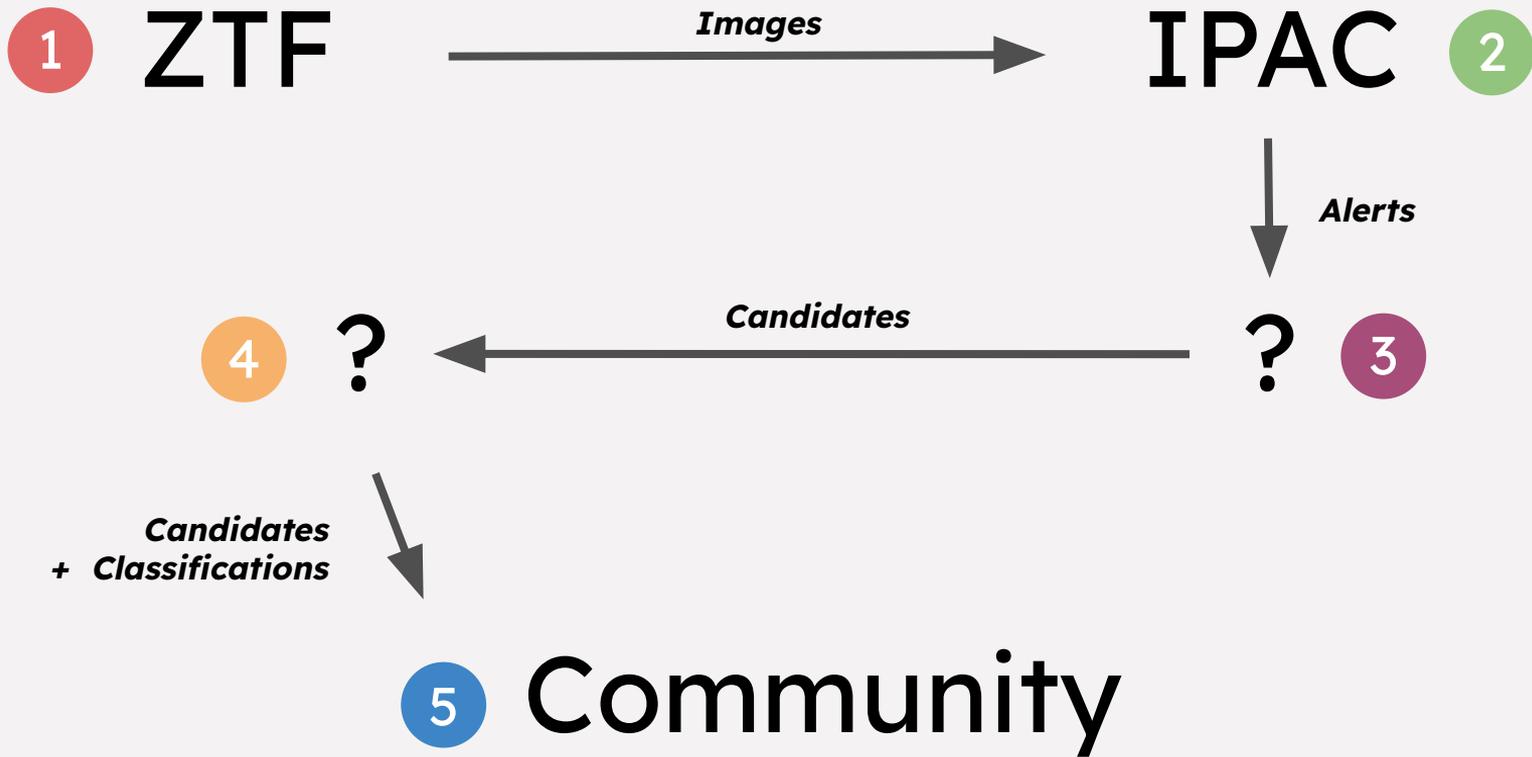


A latency Problem

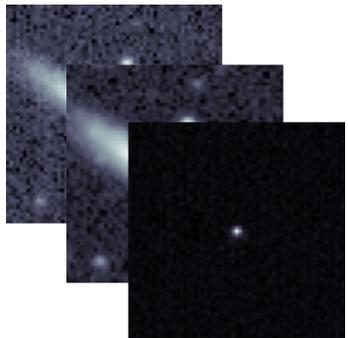
- Rare objects
- Young objects
- Fast evolving objects
- ...

The best example
of this (currently!),

is  ZTF



Alerts



Sci/Ref/Sub

+

Candidate
+
ML scores
+
Xmatches
+
History



Filters

A and **B** or **C**

if **D** then **E** else **F**

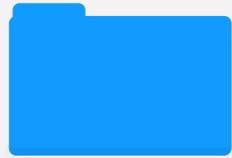
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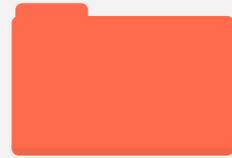
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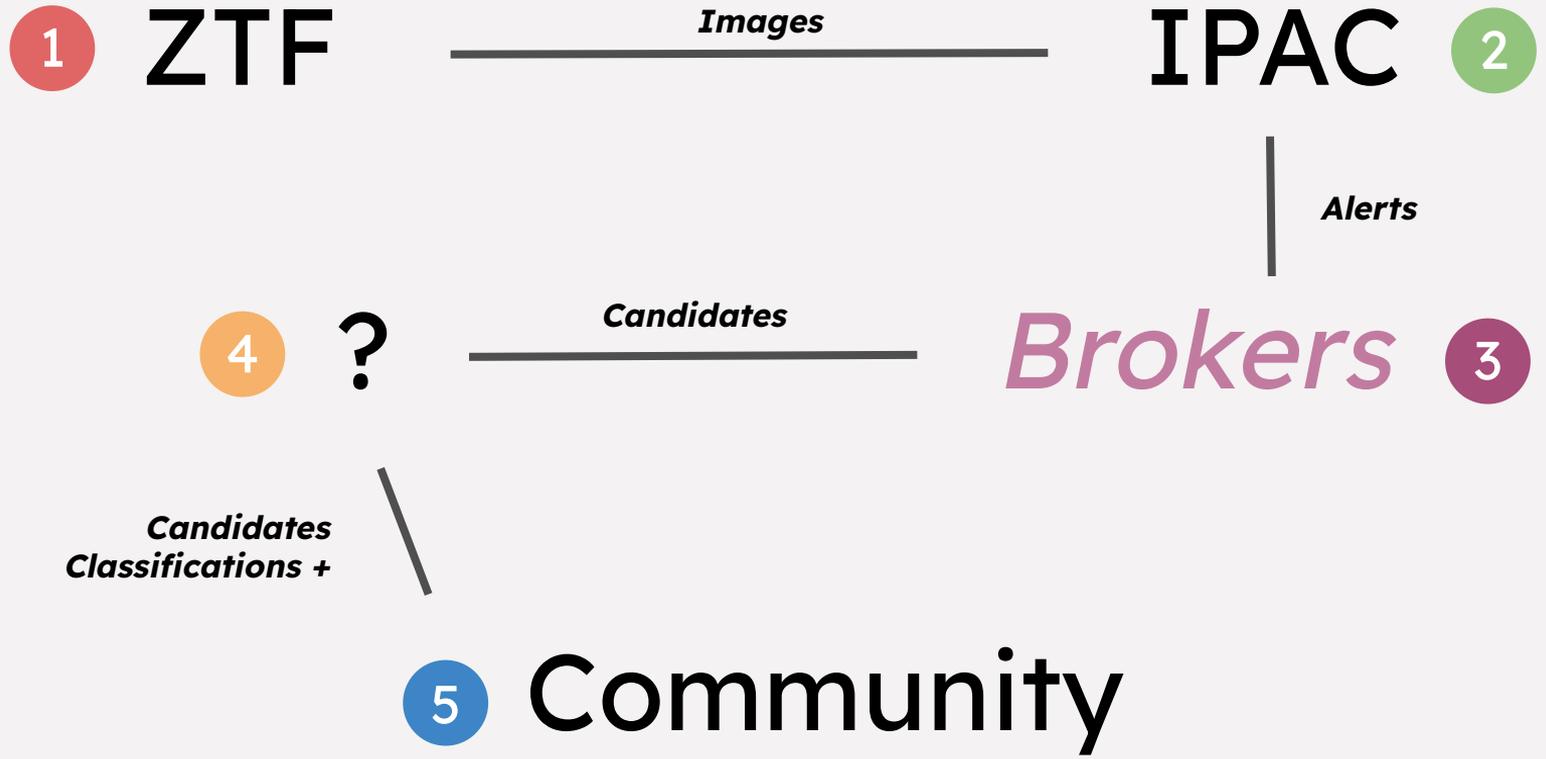
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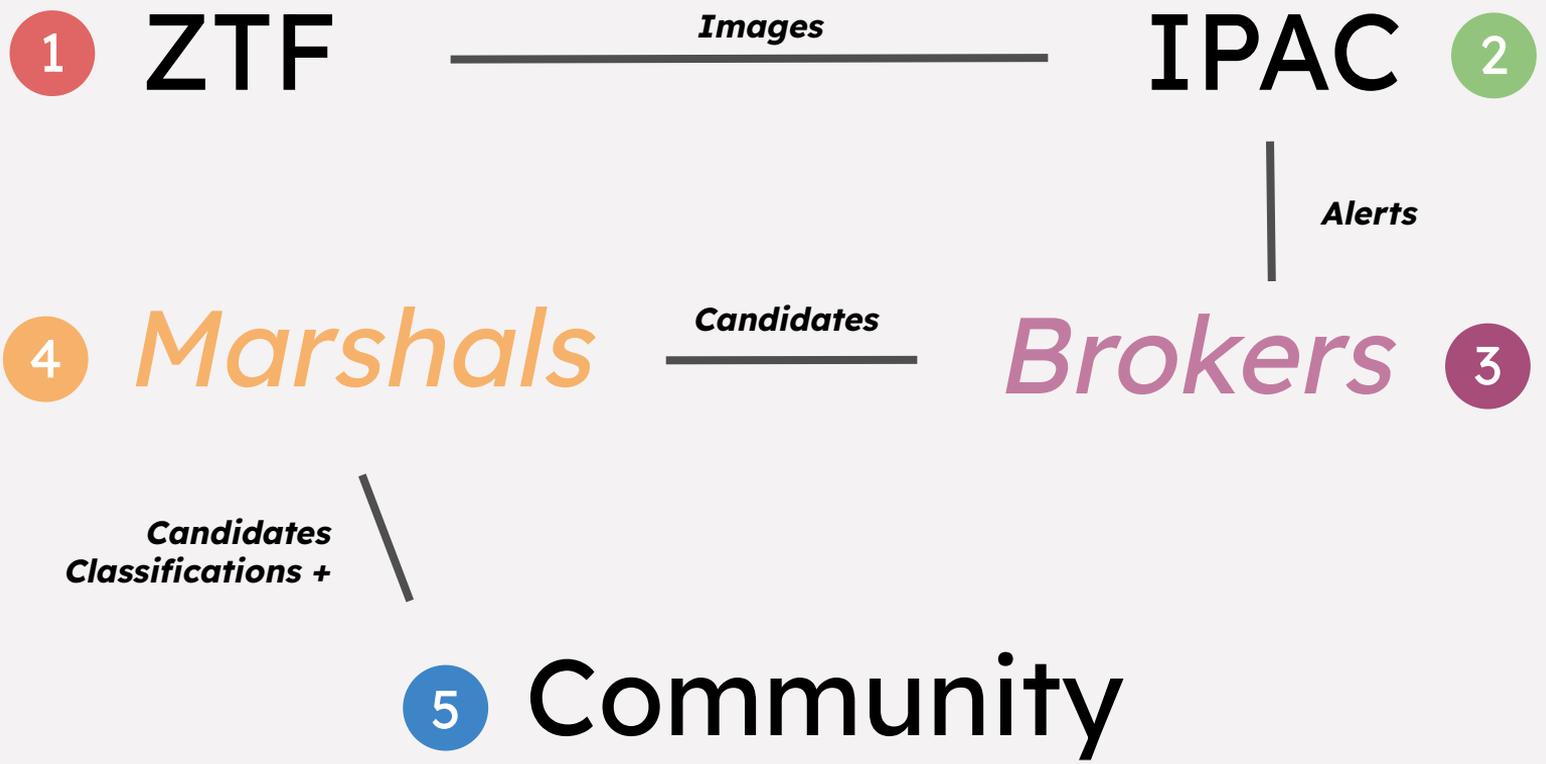


Variables



Solar System



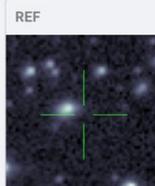


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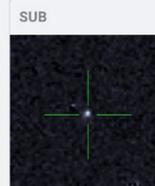
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Saved groups: 🔍 odd

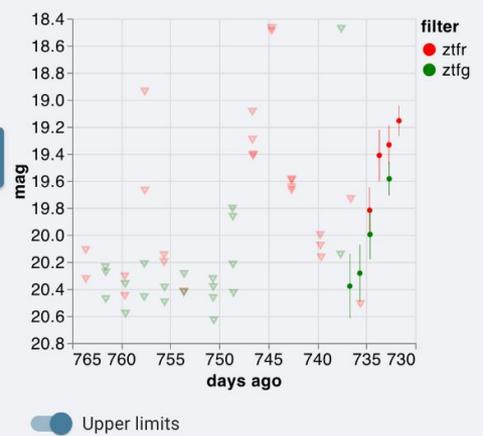
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VAL ▾

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($\alpha, \delta = 301.932, -5.703$)
($l, b = 36.572, -19.554$)

Photometry Statistics: 📊

Latest Classification(s):
+



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days ago

filter
● ztfr
● ztfg

Upper limits

ZTF SCIENCE
VALIDATION:PARTNERSHIP ⌵

ANOMALIES

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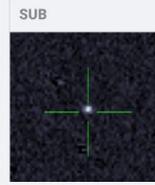
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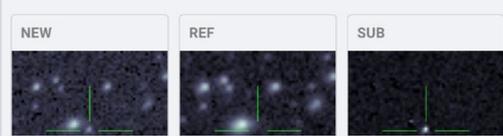
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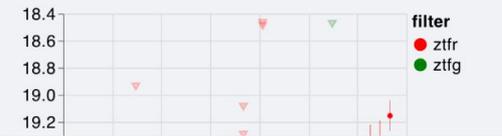
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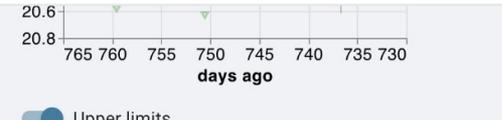


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Please see Rachel Street's talk on Wednesday for an explanation of Marshals!



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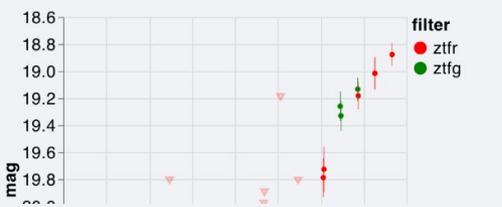


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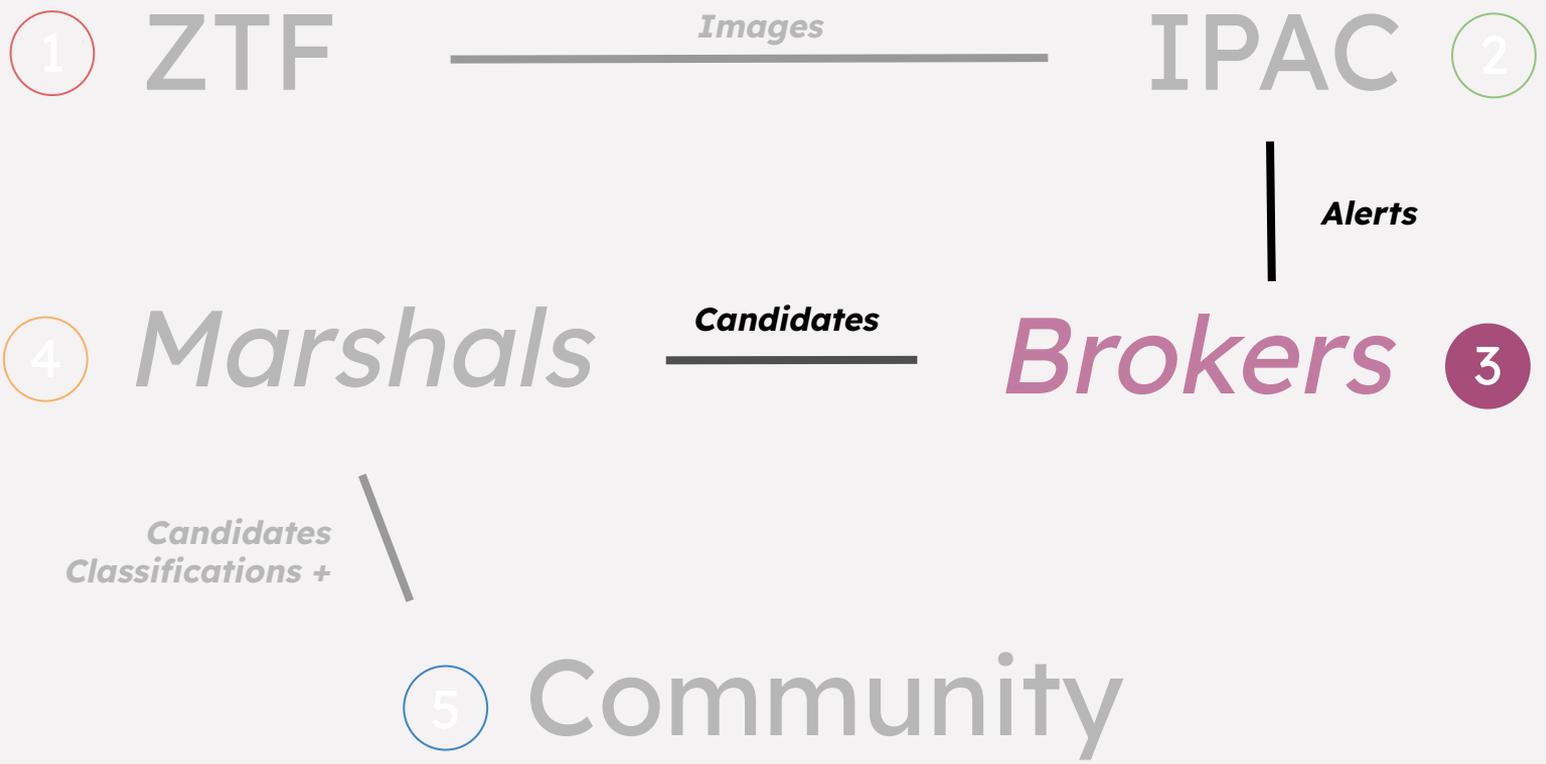
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For BOOM we focus on the brokering side of things, though we should keep in mind what comes before and after it, as it dictates what the input and output should look like.

We want:

- **Flexible** - work for many science cases, support multiple instruments
- **Performant** - real time discoveries, little to no latency
- **Persistent** - archival searches
- **Reliable** - trusted by science users
- **Simple** - no user hardware required
- **Modular** - easily add new features

Currently: Kowalski

- Receive alerts from ZTF
- Add spatial cross-matches with archival catalogs + other streams*
- Update the full light curve for each object
- Run ML models on the alerts, such as **BTSbot**
- Run **user-defined filters** & **send the filtered data to SkyPortal/Fritz**



But...

- **Volume:** LSST will produce x10 to x20 times more alerts than ZTF. With Kowalski, we already hit a hard limit and can't keep up when we reach the 1M alerts per night, for one survey.
- **Constant xmatching:** We want objects from each surveys to know about what objects in other surveys they match with (vs. the one-time xmatching we can do when we use archival catalogs).
- **Easier filter building:** the current system isn't user friendly, created a lot of frustration and significantly slows down / limits what we can do with Kowalski

BOOM

- **Multi-survey:** process the **ZTF + Rubin** alert streams, with **continuous cross-match** to use their **combined light curves** at filtering time.
- **Data enrichment:** Value added using ML scores using new multimodal models (Apple CiDeR), and xmatches with multiple static catalogs.
- **High performance:** built in **Rust** for speed, on top of a non-relational database w/ **native spatial querying** support. Processing divided in multiple tiers/types of “workers”, to **scale operations independently and horizontally**.
- **User-defined: Filters are 100% customizable by users** through the SkyPortal marshal, output sent their for manual and automated vetting+triggering.

babamul

- **Built on top of BOOM:** Built on BOOM's architecture and alert enrichment, it is an **LSST filtering system**.
- **Public filters:** serving a set of **static filters** (based on transient/variable properties) **based on 7+ years of ZTF operations**
- **Low-latency:** Filter results **served over kafka**, along **with tools** for the clients **to filter further** (e.g. local ML, custom catalog xmatch, ...).
- **Multi-survey information:** will include ZTF xmatch information, will include many catalog xmatch information, ML from AppleCiDEr

Automated Discoveries

- **Transient follow-up & classification**
- **MMA event ToOs for GW/neutrinos**
- **Enabled by BOOM + SkyPortal**
- **All of the above, 100% automatic**



AppleCiDEr

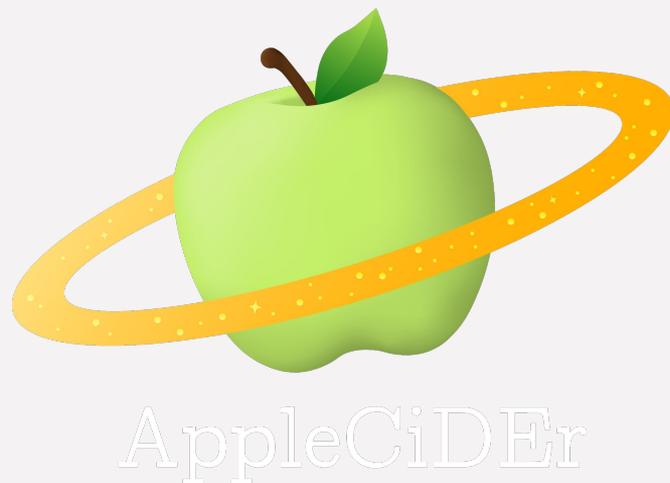
Multimodal ML framework: photometry, image cutouts, metadata, spectra

Photometry: [CLS]-Transformer 87.8% accuracy (59.2% using the Informer)

Images+Meta: AstroMiNN slightly better performance compared to BTSbot

Spectra: SpectraNeXt-2D 87.6% accuracy (83.7% using the GalSpecNet)

AppleCiDEr: Averages the results of the above networks. Almost ready for production!



Interested? Please read Junell et al. 2025 (2507.16088)

- **What about Babamul?**

- Babamul is the **public-facing implementation of BOOM**. It is a publicly accessible LSST alert broker, that will **serve a number of static phenomenological filters that inherit from +7 years of experience looking for transients in the ZTF** public, partnership, and caltech streams
- Instead of all alerts flowing to one topic (like the user-defined filters specifically designed to integrate with a marshal), **each filter will** be disjoint (where applicable/relevant, to avoid duplication) and **have a corresponding kafka topic**. Users will be provided with a babamul documentation web-page where they can pick which topics/features they are interested in, and have **code to read from the streams auto-generated** (ala GCN).
- Ultimately, we'd like to serve a number of **community-driven modules** that sit after reading from Kafka and before outputting the data to other systems, **to subsample further on the incoming streams**.

A Filter Interface

The screenshot displays the SkyPortal interface for configuring a filter. The top navigation bar includes the SkyPortal logo, a timestamp of 'Oct 08, 17:33 UTC', a 'Sources' dropdown menu, a search bar, and several utility icons (refresh, notifications, help, and user profile 'pa').

The main content area is titled 'Filter: Demo filter' and contains the following sections:

- Group Information:** A box showing 'Group: Program B', 'Group id: 4', and 'Stream: ZTF Public'.
- Boom filter details:** A section header with an expand/collapse arrow.
- Filter Builder:** The core configuration area containing:
 - Buttons for 'SAVE', 'ADD ANNOTATIONS', and 'PREVIEW MONGODB QUERY'.
 - A dropdown menu set to 'And' and a '+ ADD' button.
 - A toggle switch labeled 'True'.
 - A 'SAVE BLOCK' button.
 - A filter rule structure: a red 'X' icon, a text input field containing 'Fields', a dropdown menu labeled 'Operator', and another text input field containing 'Fields'.

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About

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github.com	Add GitHub Actions workflow to build Docker image	4 days ago	
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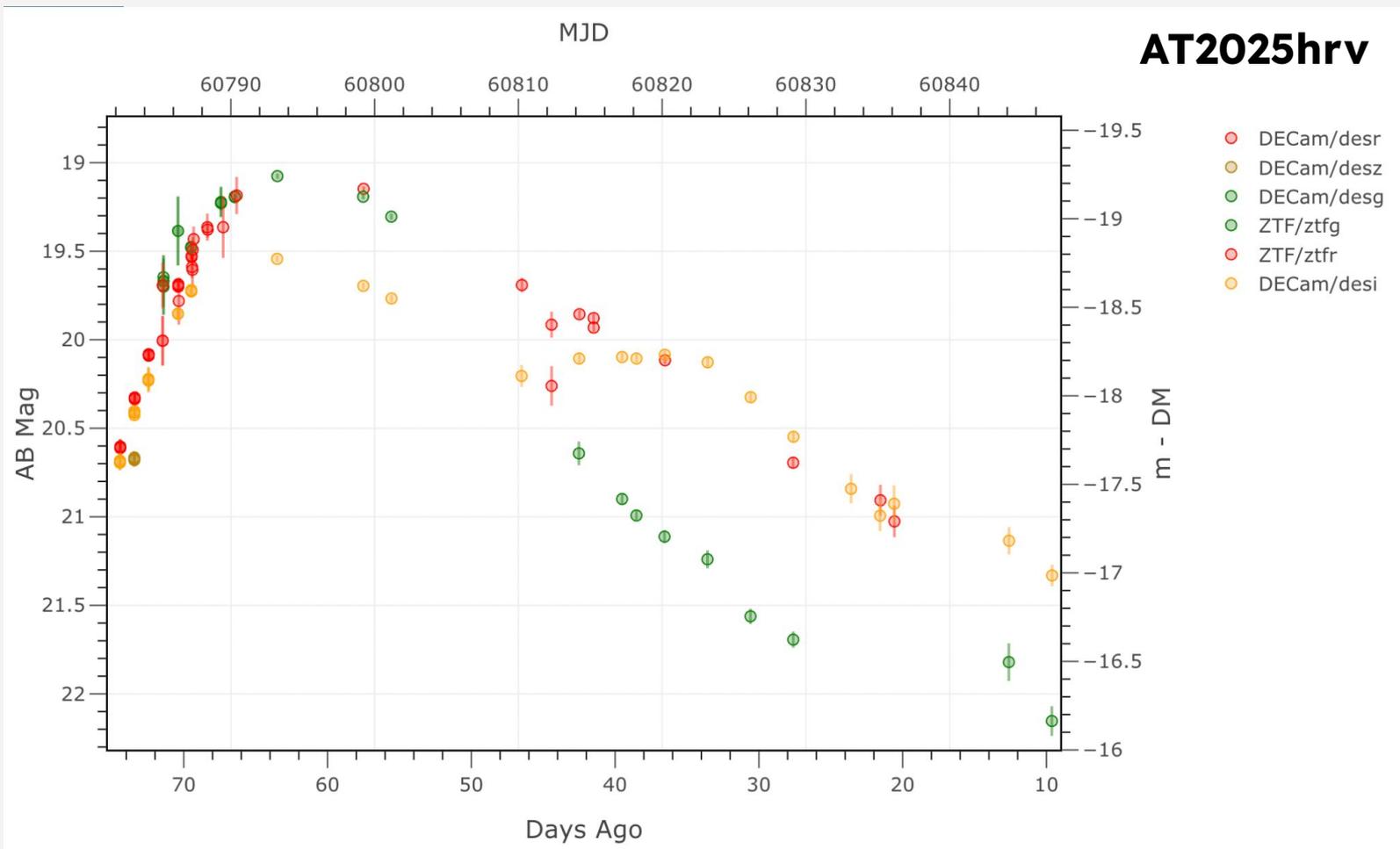


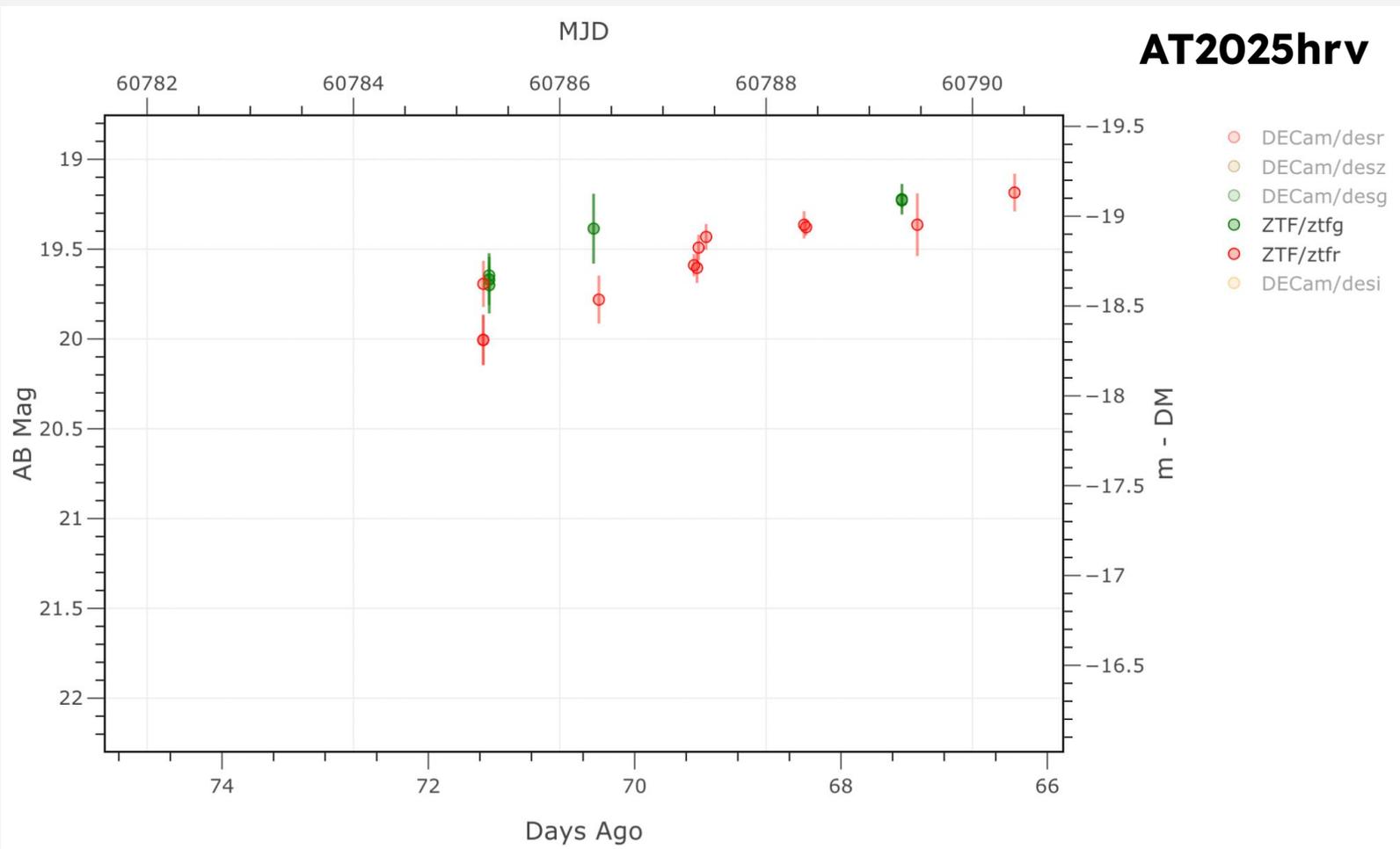
Where are we
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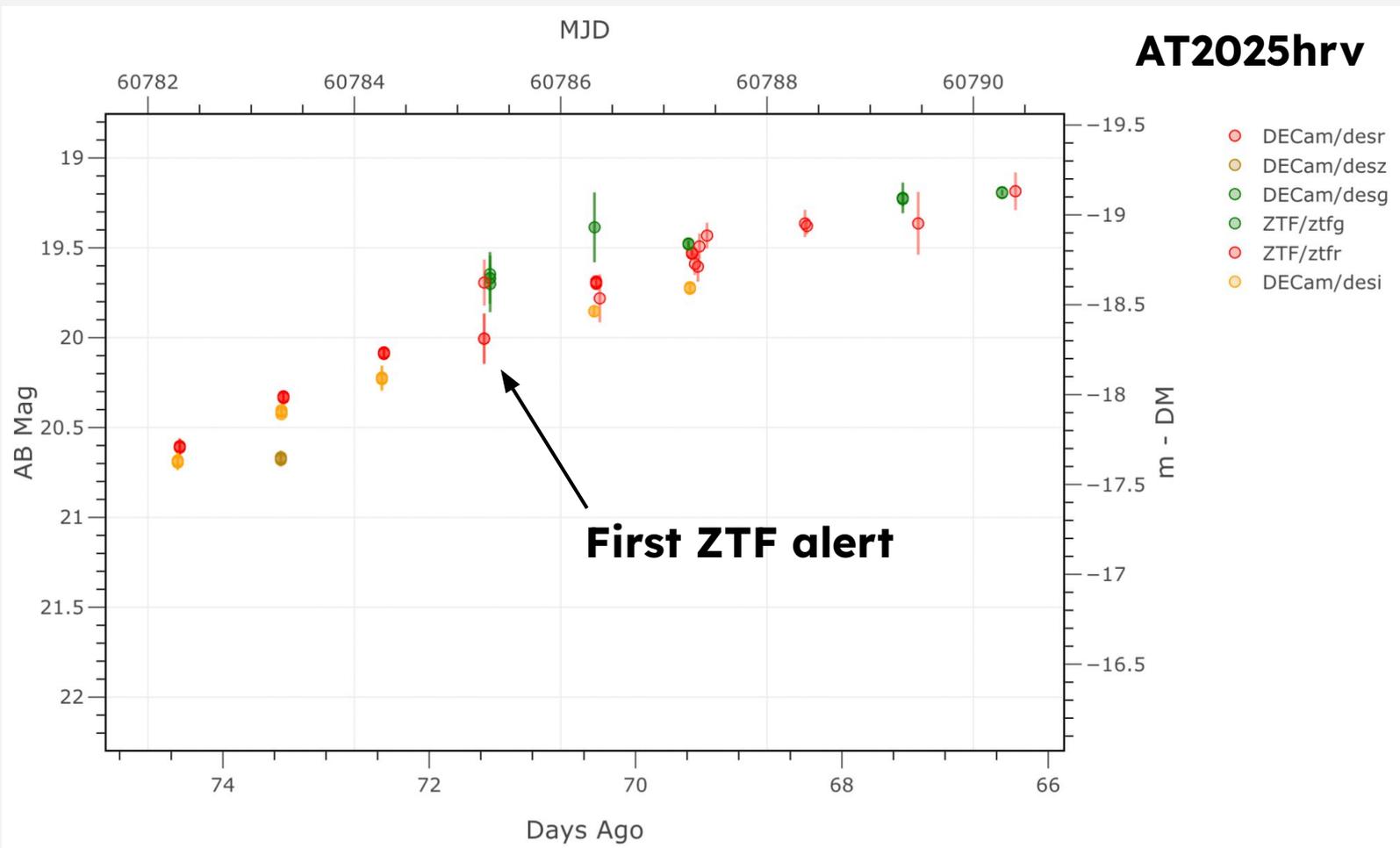
- **Multi-survey support:**
 - **We can successfully process the ZTF and Rubin alert stream.** Each worker (except ML as we do not have models for Rubin yet) has a generic “trait” with as many reusable methods as possible, and we implement that “trait” for each survey, where we can have the survey-specific processing steps.
 - **Every new ZTF alerts is cross-matched with the LSST alert-based object collection,** simply based on position (closest is best). *In future iterations (as we get real data to play with), we want to explore xmatching as a function of position, time, and brightness.*

- **Multi-survey support:**

- We've **successfully used real DECAM alerts** (from last month's ZTF+DECAM experiment, an amazing **opportunity to test multi-stream operations such as crossmatching**).
- Also **developed multi-survey filtering** in this context, where filters running on the ZTF alert stream can required a coincidence with DECAM objects, and make use of DECAM lightcurves if any.
- **It gives us a preview of what we'll be able to do w/ LSST, as we found a number of ZTF objects which on their first ever detection, had a fainter DECAM pre-detection.** Ruling them out as moving objects and giving us constraints on their rate of evolution.







- **Multi-survey support:**
 - **A challenge is the heterogeneity of the data products.** For example, DECam gives us forced aperture photometry while ZTF gives us history of past detections with PSF photometry and forced psf photometry, ...
 - Aside from these fundamental differences between data products, their **schemas also differ** aside from some essential quantities (objectId, candid, ra, dec, time, band, ...)
 - As we add more moving parts of the system and develop features related to multi-survey filtering, we discover where **schema differences still need to be resolved to facilitate building filters.**

- **Facilitating filter building:**
 - Most brokers offer one of:
 - static filters that users can then read from and implement their own filtering downstream
 - Ways to perform limited filtering from a web app
 - Ways to write your own Python filtering code and have the broker run it for you.
 - In Kowalski, we made use of the aggregation pipeline of MongoDB to let users write simple and complex pipelines that the broker ran for them. However, it is very clear that the amount of database-specific knowledge expected from them isn't realistic, and made it a major blocker.

- **Facilitating filter building:**
 - **Developing a UI/web-based no-code tool, where filters can be composed without any database or programming language specific knowledge required.** The only requirement is to be familiar with the data product.
 - As users develop filtering “blocks” (sets of conditions) and custom variables they use in those, they **will be able to share** blocks **with other users**, that can simply import them in their own filter.
 - Overtime, as any given block/variable seems to be re-used across a significant number of filters, we can decide to **pre-compute common blocks** at alert ingestion time so simplify the filters further, and deduplicate operations.

And ▾ + ☐ SAVE BLOCK

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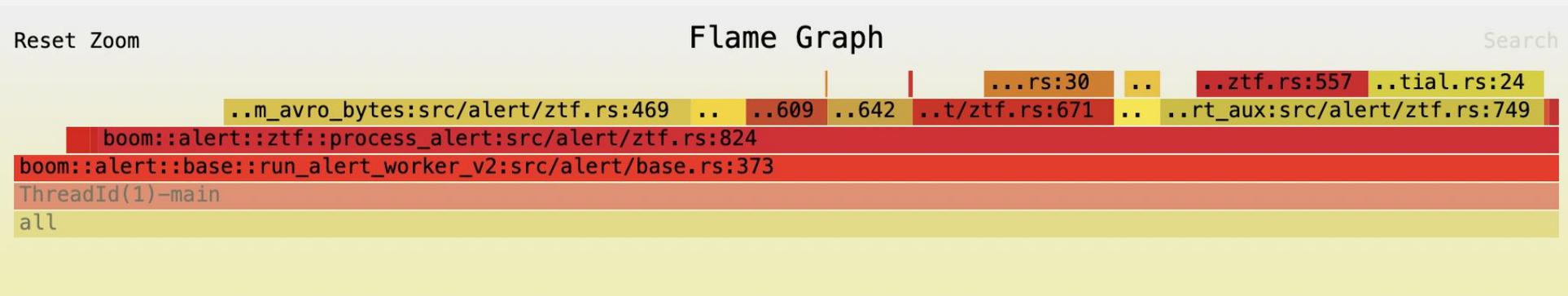
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- **Integration with Marshals (SkyPortal)**

- While BOOM doesn't need to know about a marshal, it needs to know about BOOM.
- Developing a **modular plugin system for SkyPortal**, to let anyone develop modules that can simply be referred to (pointer to their location on GitHub and version) and configured directly in SkyPortal's config file, **without the need to extend the SkyPortal codebase itself**. Modules are registered (and compatibility assessed) at start-up.
- A **dedicated BOOM module** has already been developed for ZTF, and can successfully populate any SkyPortal deployment with candidates identified by BOOM. Latency is much lower than the Kowalski + SkyPortal integration, as the overhead of multiple round trips to an HTTP API are avoided.

- **Observability:**
 - **Integrating the entire codebase with tracing/spanning**, so every single function can be measured and logged. Tracing comes at a cost so that should be accounted for, however logging levels can be decided at compile time, meaning the same codebase can have high levels of logging for debugging/benchmarking but lower levels for production, at 0 cost.
 - **Building visualization tools** such as *flame graphs* to measure where time is spent across the app.
 - **Building a benchmarking pipeline** to measure BOOM's performance against Kowalski's, based on *calkit*.



- **HTTP API:**

It sits on top of BOOM to **give access to the data after it is processed** (for archival searches **or semi-real-time** operations that lets users implement highly customized pipelines) and to **upload/update user-defined filters**. A lot of progress has been made recently, but:

- It needs to be tested very thoroughly with unit tests, for successful queries but also for all expected failure modes.
- It will be edited to accommodate the Filter Building UI that Thomas Culino (CIT) is developing.
- It would benefit - just like Kowalski did - from an **API client** in commonly used programming languages such as Python.
- It is **already documented**, but while the documentation is hosted alongside the server, we should have it published on a static web page ala GitHub pages.



Introduction

- > routes::catalogs
- > routes::filters
- ▼ routes::queries
 - Perform a cone search query on a catalog **POST**
 - Run a count query **POST**
 - Run an estimated count query **POST**
 - Perform a find query on a catalog **POST**
- > routes::surveys
- > routes::users
- > default
- > Models

[Open API Client](#)

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BOOM API

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An HTTP REST interface to BOOM.

Server

http://localhost:4000

Client Libraries

[Shell](#) [Ruby](#) [Node.js](#) [PHP](#) [Python](#) [More](#)

curl Shell

routes::catalogs

OPERATIONS

- GET** /catalogs
- GET** /catalogs/{catalog_name}/indexes
- GET** /catalogs/{catalog_name}/sample

Show More ▾

routes::filters

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[Open API Client](#)

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Perform a cone search query on a catalog

Body required application/json

catalog_name string required

filter

limit integer | null · int64

max_time_ms integer | null · int64 · min: 0

object_coordinates object required

+ Show Child Attributes

projection

radius number · double required

skip integer | null · int64 · min: 0

sort

unit string · enum required

- Degrees
- Radians
- Arcseconds
- Arcminutes

Responses

> 200 Cone search results

400

Bad request

500

Internal server error

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1 curl http://localhost:4000/queries/cone-search \
2 --request POST \
3 --header 'Content-Type: application/json' \
4 --data '{
5   "catalog_name": "",
6   "filter": null,
7   "limit": null,
8   "max_time_ms": null,
9   "object_coordinates": {
10    "ANY_ADDITIONAL_PROPERTY": [
11     1
12    ]
13  },
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15   "radius": 1,
16   "skip": null,
17   "sort": null,
18   "unit": "Degrees"
19 }'
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[Test Request](#)

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Show Schema

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Cone search results

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Introductions

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> Cookies

> Request Headers 3

> Response Headers 3

> Body Download

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✓ Body		

JSON

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2   "catalog_name": "ZTF_alerts",
3   "filter": null,
4   "limit": 1,
5   "max_time_ms": 60000,
6   "object_coordinates": {
7     "test": [
8       30, 45
9     ]
10  },
11  "projection": null,
12  "radius": 30,
13  "skip": null,
14  "sort": null,
15  "unit": "Degrees"
16 }
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2   "status": "success",
3   "message": "Cone Search on ZTF_alerts completed",
4   "data": {
5     "test": [
6       {
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9         "candidate": {
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> Code Snippet

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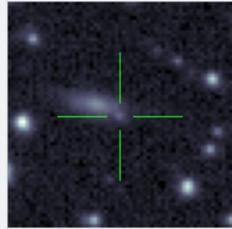
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- FINDING CHART
- SHOW STARLIST
- OBSERVABILITY
- SUBMIT TO TNS
- PUBLIC ACCESS

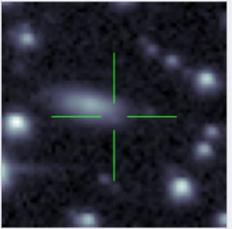
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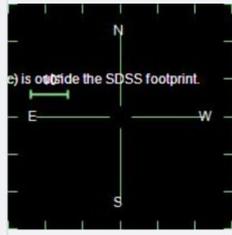
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is outside the SDSS footprint.

LEGACY SURVEY DR9



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SCOPE FEATURES

Comments

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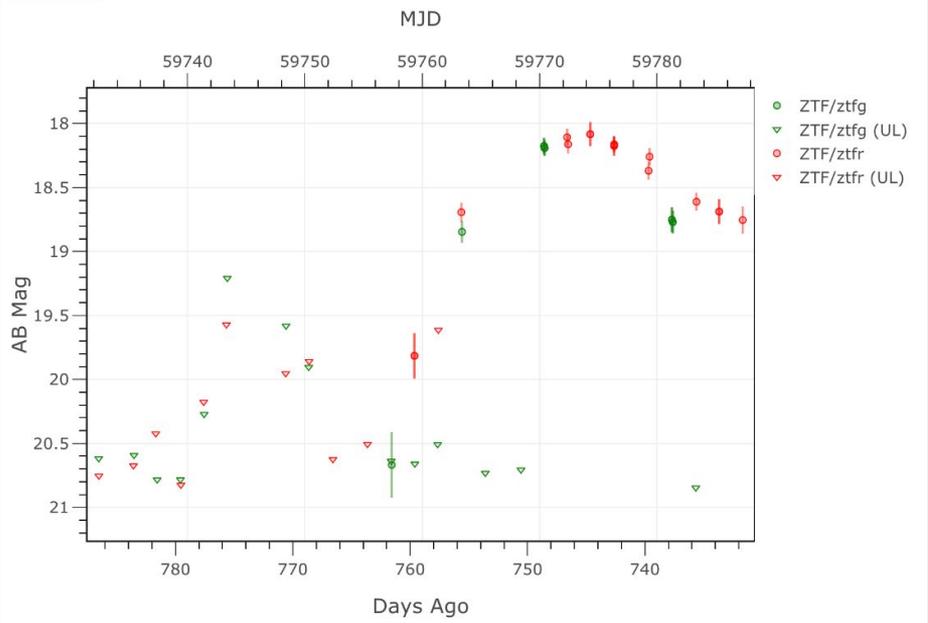
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Photometry

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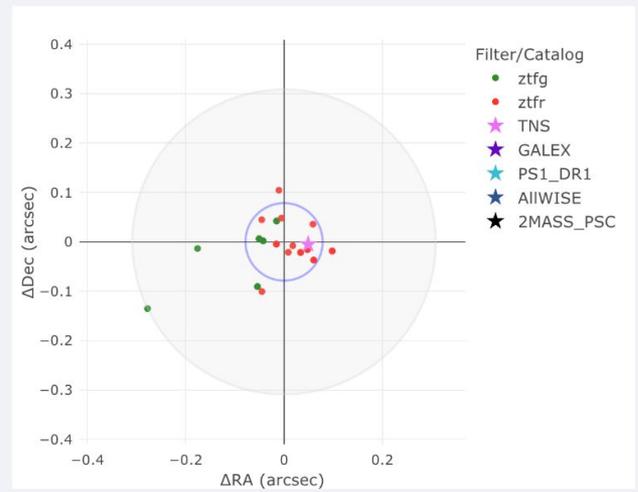


Non-Detections Forced Photometry

Marker Size

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Centroid Plot



Offsets from nearest sources in reference catalogs:

- TNS: 0.05"
- GALEX: 7.84"
- PS1_DR1: 1.19"
- AllWISE: 4.30"
- 2MASS_PSC: 6.74"

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Follow-up

Allocation

P60 / SEDM - Sitewide Group (PI none, test allocation only, targets will not be observed)

Share Data With

Sitewide Group ▾

Mode *

4-shot+IFU ▾

Priority *

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Start Date (UT) *

07/28/2024 📅

End Date (UT) *

08/04/2024 📅

Show Advanced Options

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WINTER Requests

Whether to render the corner of this analysis

Show Corner

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Source Notification

Share Data With ▾

Level

Soft Alert (email)

Hard Alert (email + SMS)

Additional Notes

SEND NOTIFICATION

Reminders

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- SEDM Requests ▾
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Assign Target to Observing Run ▾

Choose Run: 2024-07-30 DBSP/Palomar 5.1m Hale (PI: Test run) ▾
 Priority: 1 ▾

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Run Id	Requester	Instrument	Run Date	PI	Priority	Status	Comment
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Plan for: 2024-07-23 DBSP/Palomar 5.1m Hale (PI: Theo)

Targets



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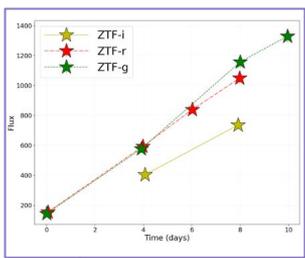
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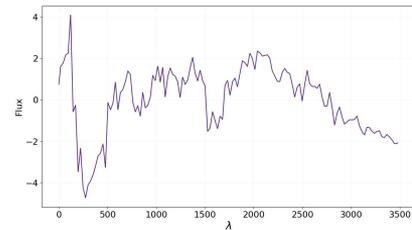
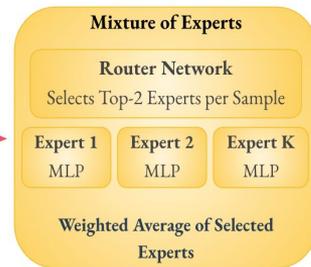
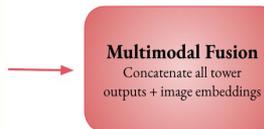
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Current Conditions

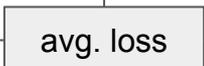
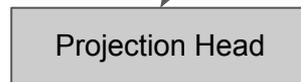
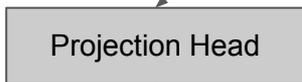
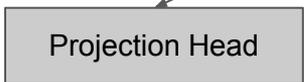
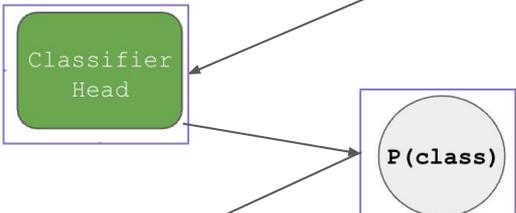
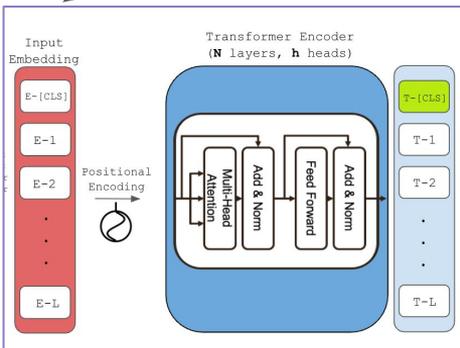
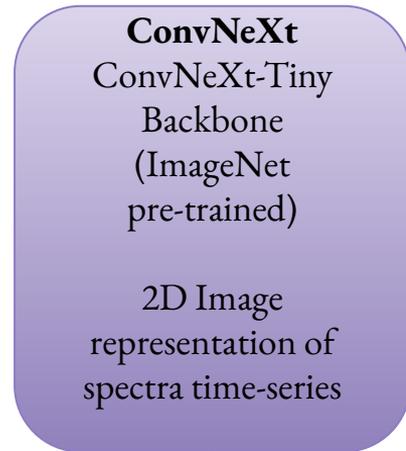
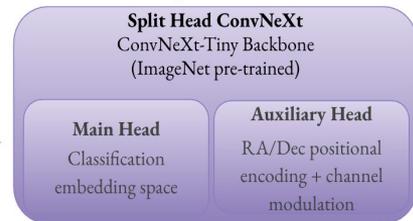
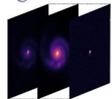




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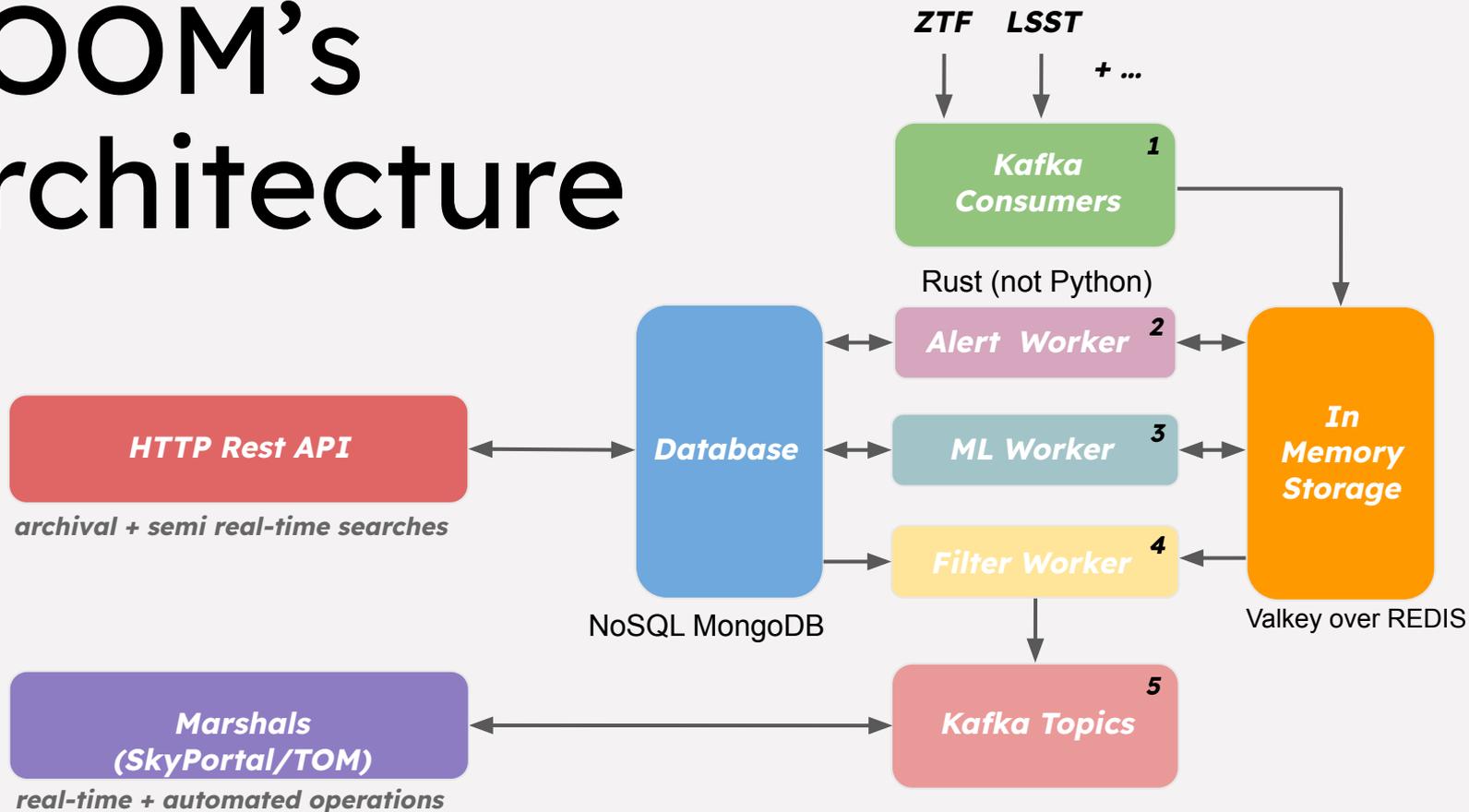
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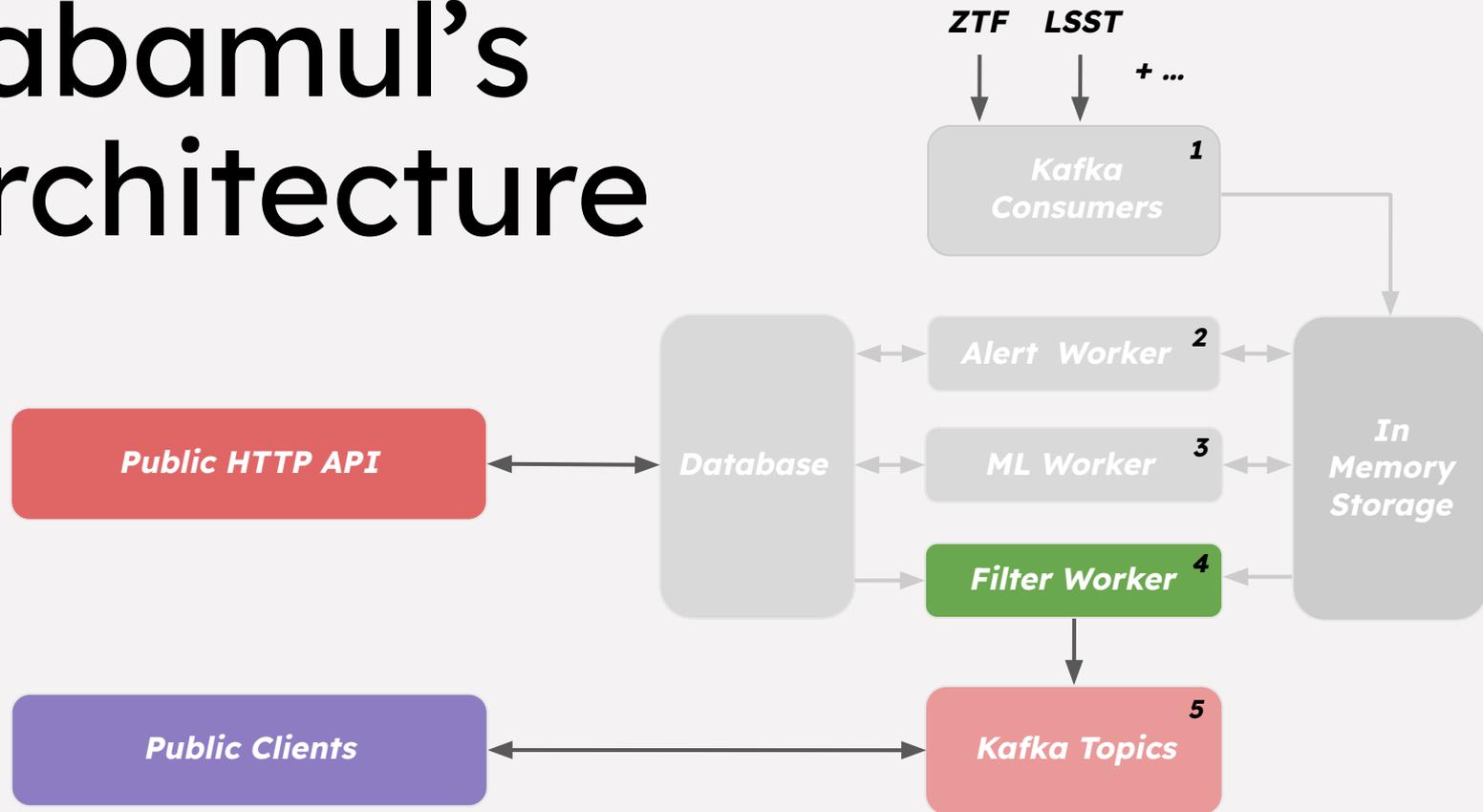
A solution: BOOM

- **Performance:** Rust-based, lowering the memory & CPU usage and increasing speed = more parallelization possible + less latency
- **Modularity:** Instead of one big processing step that does everything, we want a cluster-like architecture with specialized workers/processes. This way, we can scale up & down each processing step individually, based on the time they need to run.
- **Distributed:** Ideally, we want a distributed system where we can have multiple machines join the cluster to scale vertically

BOOM's Architecture



babamul's Architecture



- **A Frontend?**

- What we've learned from deploying a marshal for ZTF is that **frontend is king**, over $\frac{2}{3}$ of the users rely only on the web app. Similarly, it is pretty clear that amongst the existing brokers, those with the best feature rich vs complexity ratio are the most popular. **A front-end puts you on the map**, and becomes the **entry point** for users of all technical levels.
- A fantastic feature would be to let users (optionally) create an account on that platform, that they can link to their marshal(s) account(s), to have access to extra features (e.g. see spectra or additional photometry points, if available, see existing classifications if any, ...). This makes the broker's frontend a lot more useful, while encouraging users to deploy or get access to a marshal to benefit from these.

