# Prototype of a Multi-Messenger platform

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Coordinated observing for MM

- **MM: transients & common programs**
- **Observation planning**
  - The forming of a collaboration
    - Self-assembling (high-profile objects) & Architect designed collaborations (PESSTO, SNeX)
    - Single-object (SmartNet)
  - The working of a collaboration
    - Private or public (open-science)
   - Time allocation: ToO, DDT, MoU, Access Policies, etc.
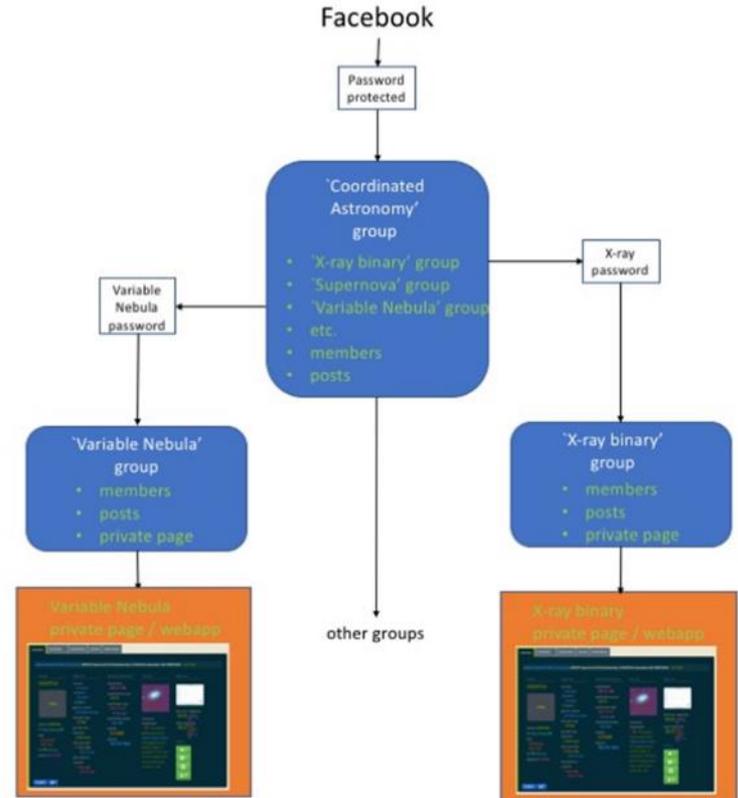
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- **Observations scheduling**
  - Observation Plan
  - Operational Environment
  - Scheduling Algorithm
 - Matrix of Observation Planners and Schedulers
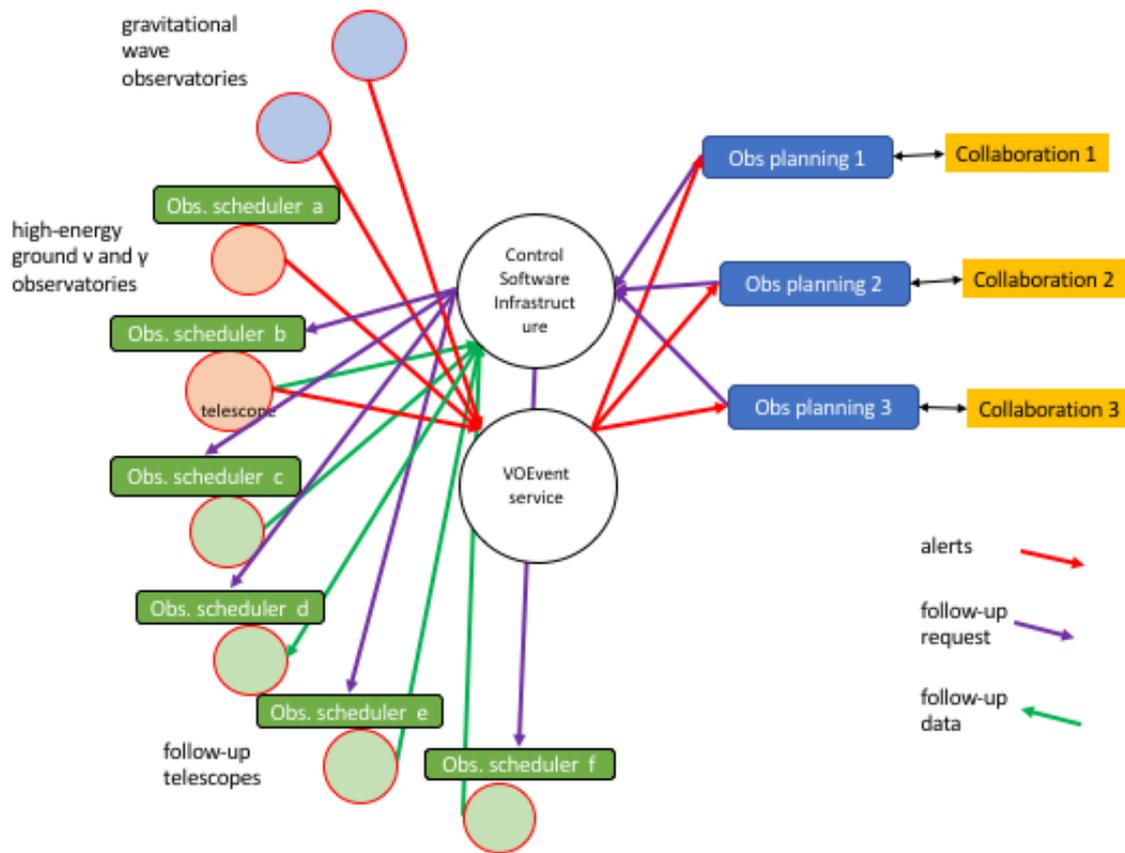
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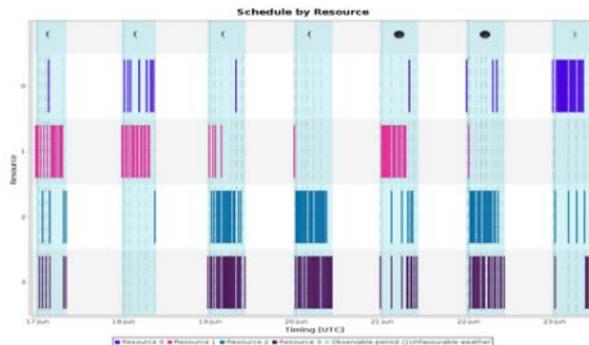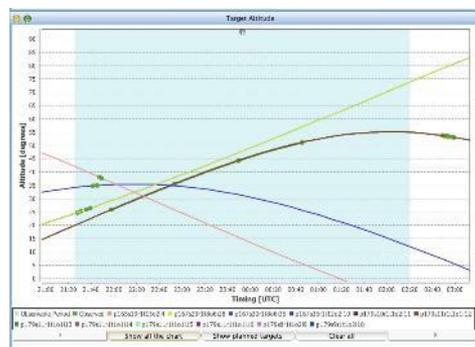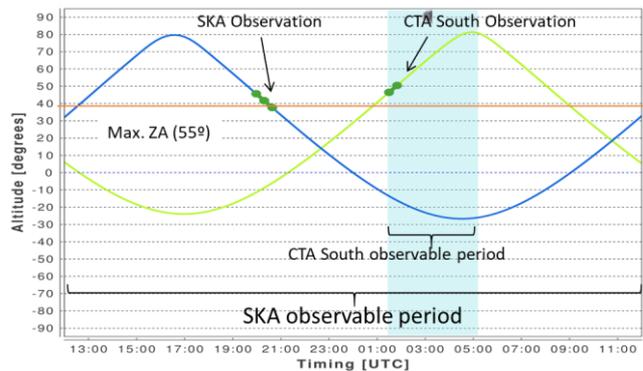
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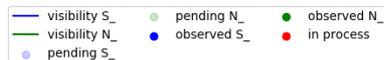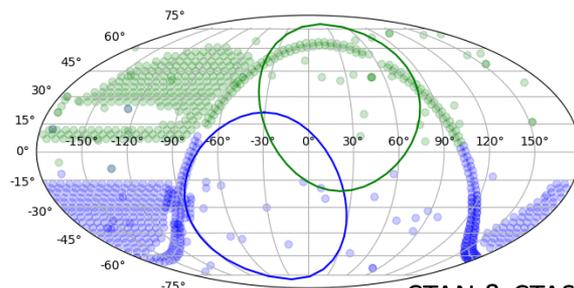
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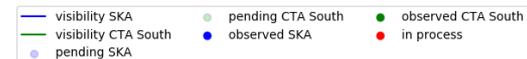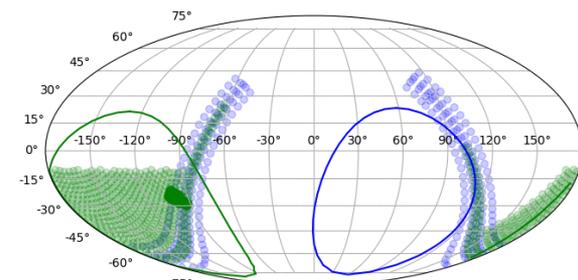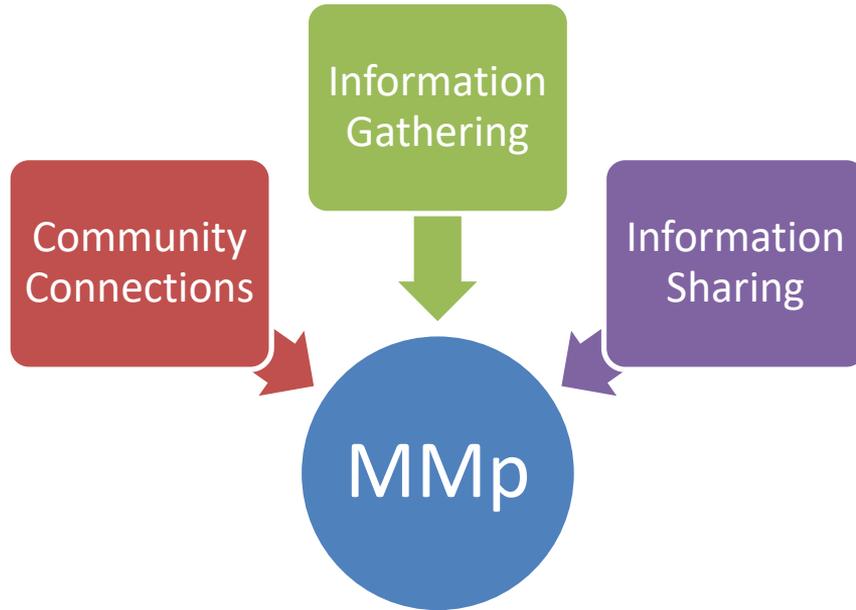
MM Platform: WHAT

New paradigm
Grid and collaborative operation of large astronomical facilities and space missions driven by
➔ MM Science
➔ Link Users
➔ Link Infra
   (GRD&ESFRIs&ESAs)

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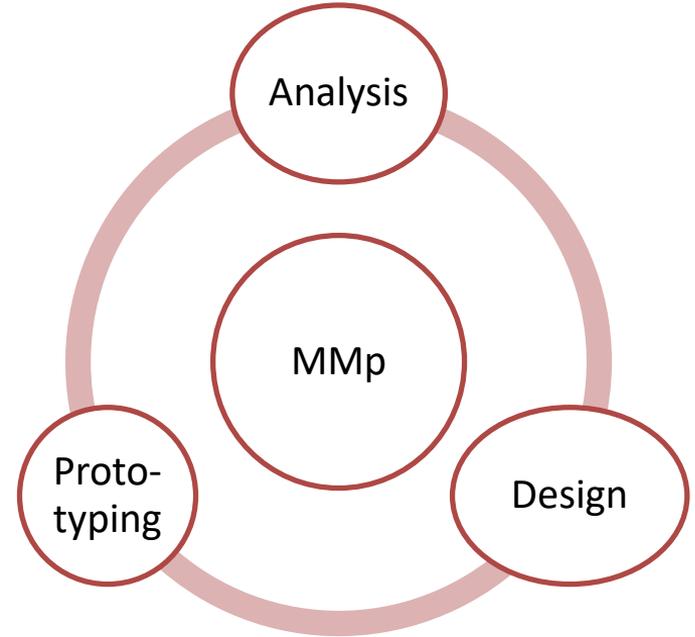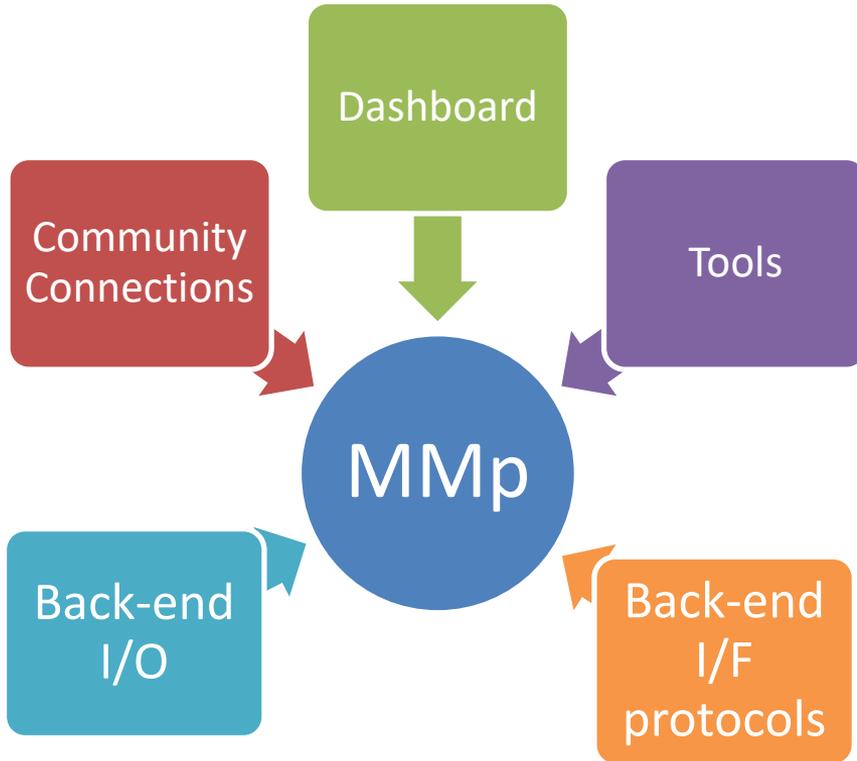
MM Platform: WHAT

- **Community Connections**
  - User management
  - Creation of science driven groups
  - User publication of calls for shared MM proposals or request to contribute observations
  - Subscription to facility data levels (sky visibility, new transient alerts, nominal operation schedules, etc.)
  - Subscription to messenger data (GW, EM,...) from user groups & facilities

MM Platform: WHAT

- Dashboard: graphical representation of (part of) the sky or the Earth&Space with overlays that can be turned on and of. A certain amount of filtering (time/position/messenger/accessibility to subscribe) is probably needed.
  - Sky view with filtering layers and dynamic time variation
    - SB/observations layer: non-transient, transients, messenger selection
    - Facility layer: visibility & availability, messenger selection
    - Filtering features: visibility, sensitivity, messenger, facility source, user source
  - Earth&Space view
    - Identification of observatories & space missions subscribed to the platform
    - One layer per messenger
    - One layer per open/private time observatories

MM Platform: WHAT

- Tools
  - Information about facilities and multi-messenger policies
  - Information about facilities and proposal submission: facility policies, main facility messenger and submission procedures
  - Publication of events, conferences, workshops
  - Advertising MM Platform and similar initiatives
  - Data base retrieval for: observations (transient events, non-transients, etc.), facility plans (visibility), user plans, etc.
  - Utility codes:
    - Scheduling tools: scheduling routines to schedule a follower telescope/instrument based on a master telescope/instrument and on the observatory constraints, object visibility intervals, etc. Multi-observatory scheduling algorithms.
    - Counterpart selection: gather all reports of possible EM counterparts to an EM event (in an ideal world with time of detection, bandpass, and brightness, if available)

MM Platform: WHAT

- Back-end data formats (I/O)
  - xml structures (IVOA ObsLocTAP) partially/totally used
- Back-end interfaces (I/F)
  - Data sources
    - Ideally through ObjVisSAP VO Protocol, but in protoype through a pre-filled backend database
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  - User input
  - VOEvent streams & other protocols, ingested through a database

MM Platform: WHY

- Useful tool for the different interested groups
  - ASTERICS partners, VO community, ESA, ESO, IAU, LIGO&VIRGO, others
- Serves the needs of both data providers and data users
- Useful for both planned multi-observatory observations and reactive observations following transients
- Create a central place for anyone interested in doing MM science
- Now?
  - LIGO-Virgo observing round (O3) in early 2019 ➔ perfect timing to test its functionality in gravitational wave follow-up
  - ESA/ESAC ➔ visibility and planning information standards
  - ASTERICS Policy Forum (SKA, CTA, ELT, KM3NET)
    - Joint time allocation, observing strategies for MW/MM campaigns, data access and sharing, general policies of common interest.
  - Open Science
  - ASTERICS ➔ best community to promote a successful framework that persists beyond the project

MM Platform: Implementation

- Prototype for a demonstration
- Web-based platform
- Based on existing expertise & on synergies with other groups (ASTERICS & other)
- Complemented by & supported on existing open-source tools (i.e., Aladin Lite)
- First beta version: ASTERICS Conference – Groningen, 25-29 March
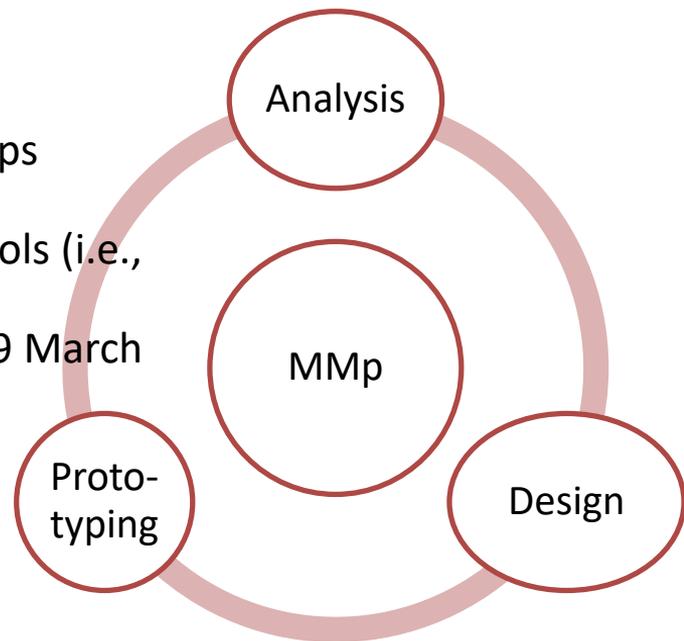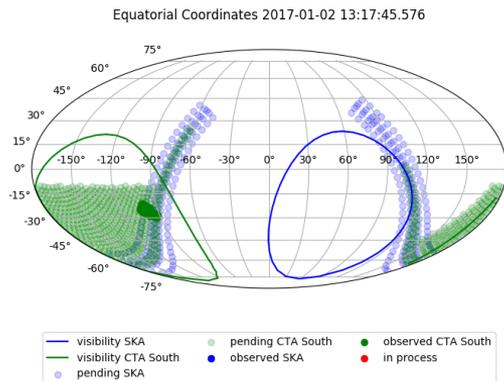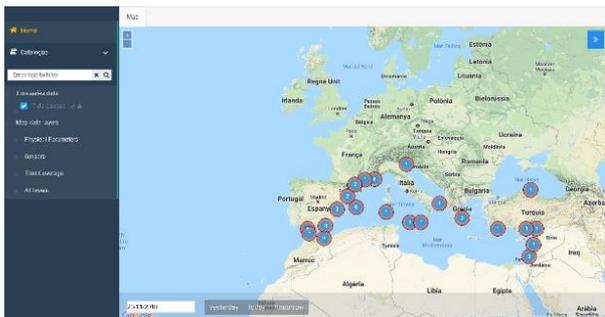
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