

High Energy Neutrino Astronomy

a promising decade ahead

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1. Physics Goals

A. High Energy Neutrino Astrophysics

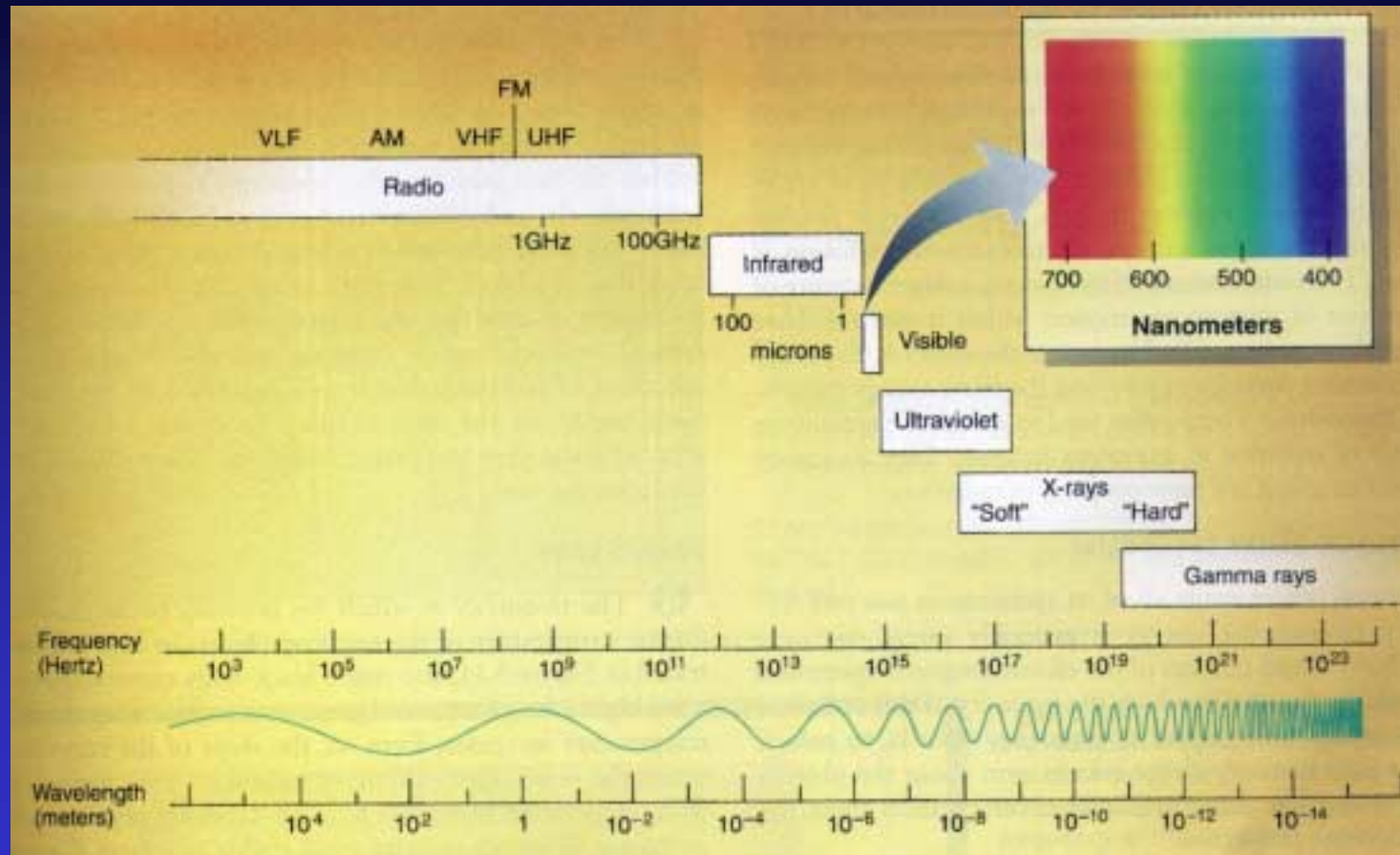
B. Particle Physics

WIMPs, Magnetic Monopoles, Oscillations,
Neutrino Mass ...

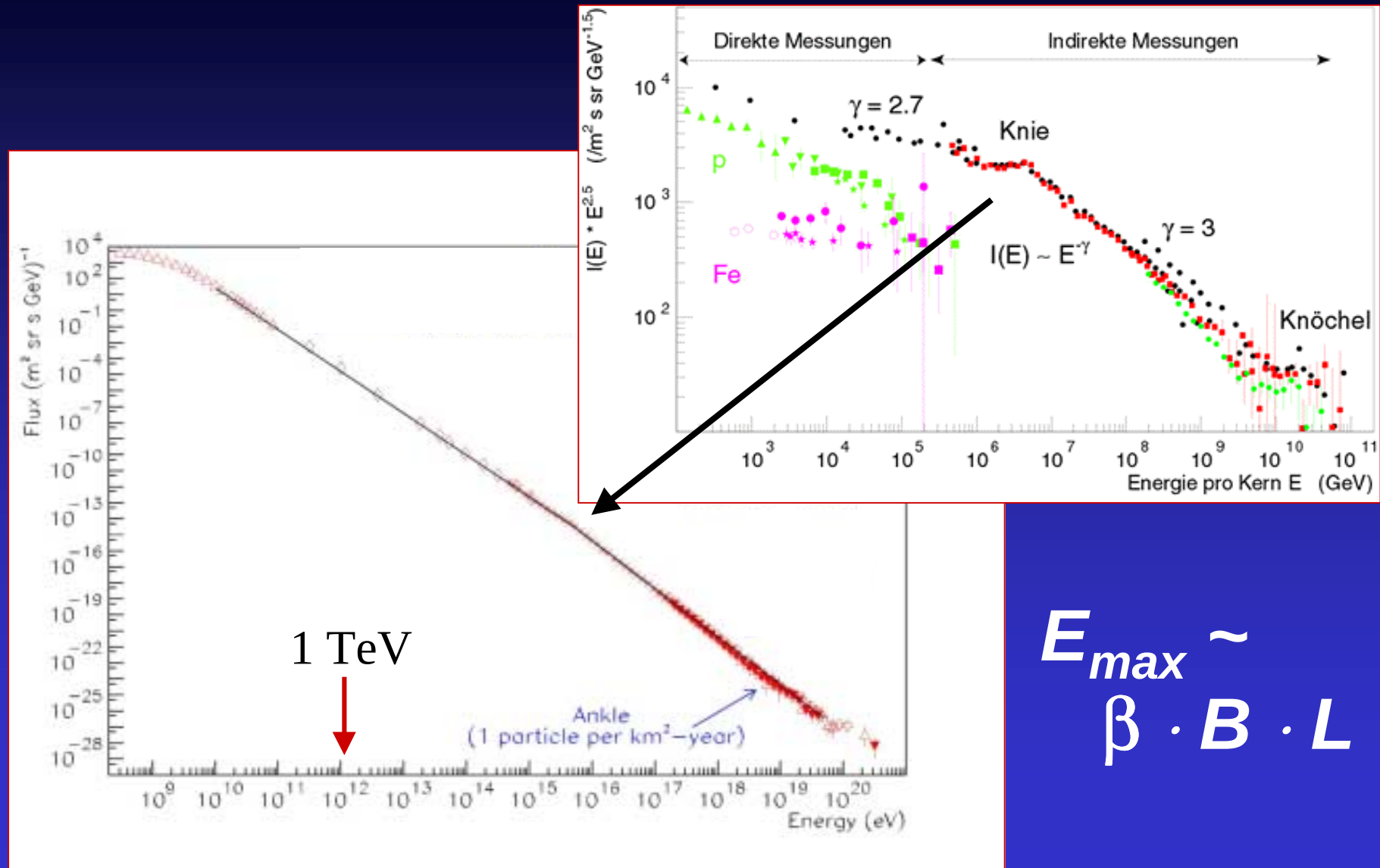
C. Others

Supernova Bursts, CR composition,
Black Holes, ...

New Observational Window to Non-Thermal Universe



Cosmic Rays



$$E_{\max} \sim \beta \cdot B \cdot L$$

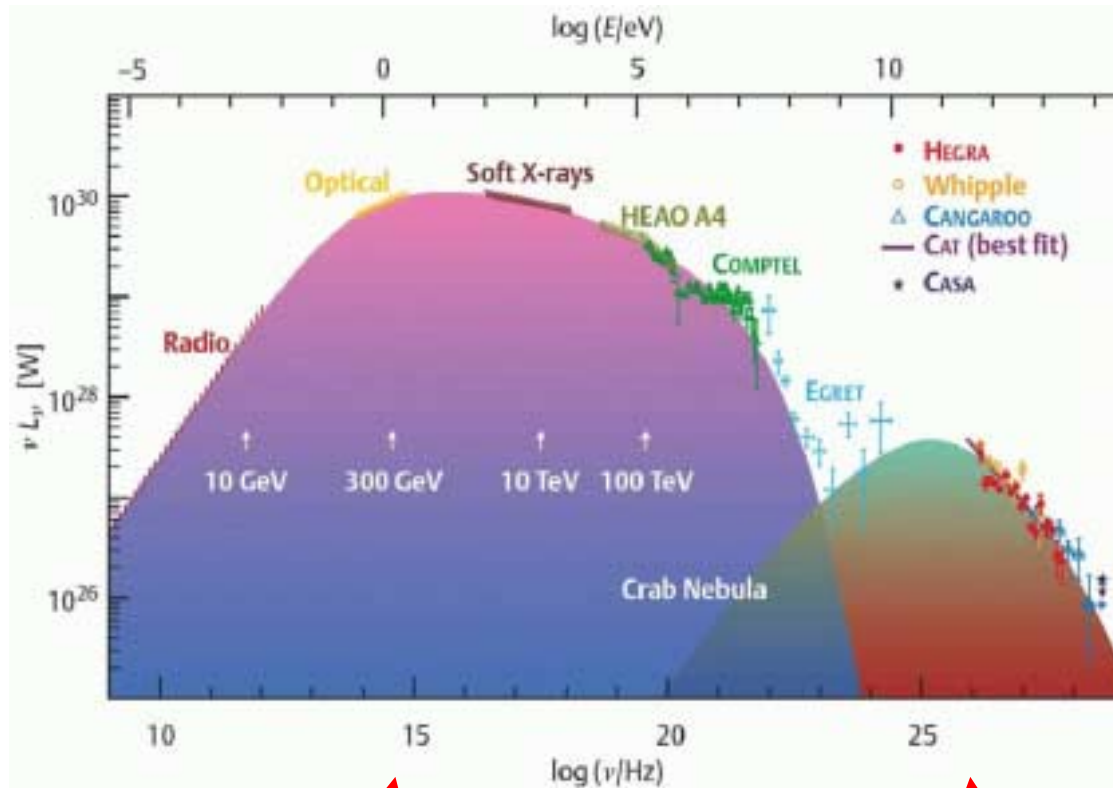
Supernova shocks expanding in interstellar medium

up to 1-10 PeV

Crab nebula



Gamma Observations: Crab is “Electron Accelerator”



HEGRA

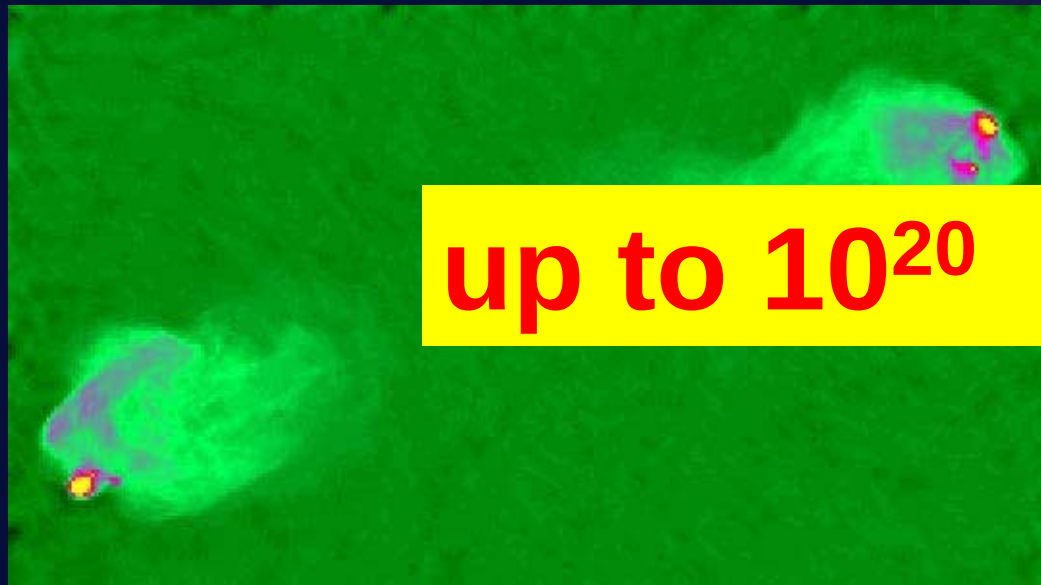
Synchrotron

Inverse Compton

Crab

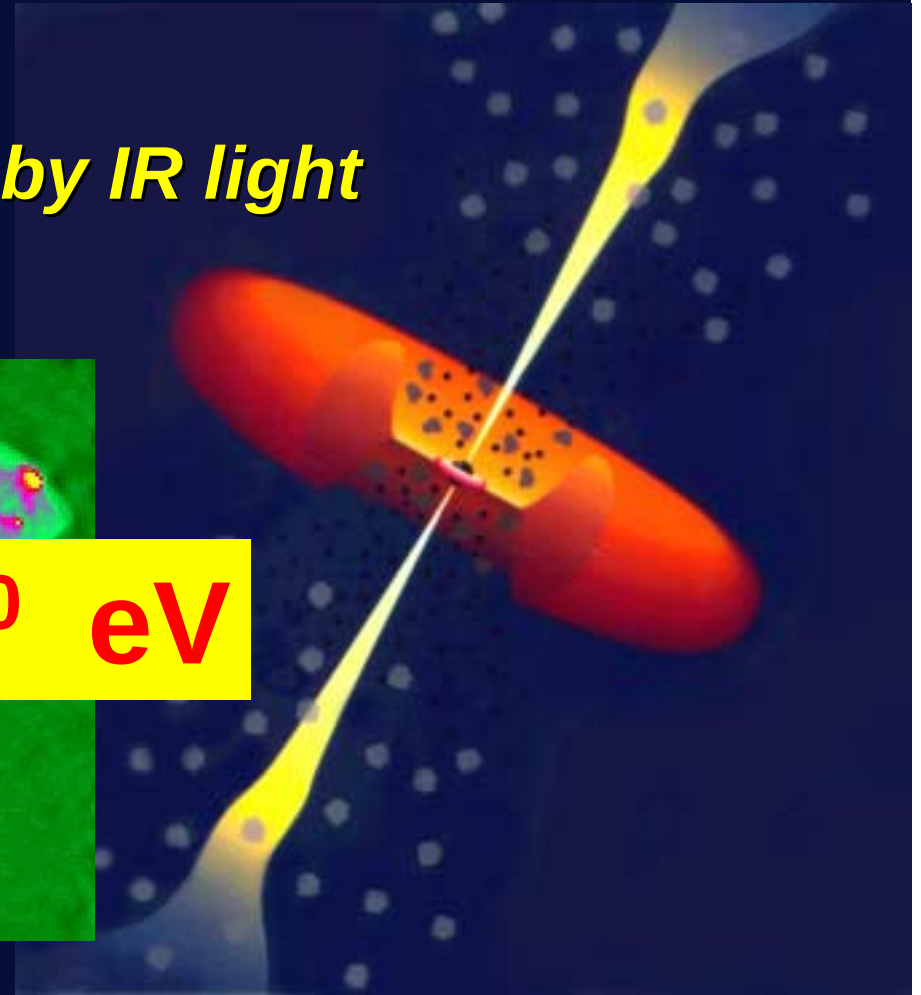
Active Galaxies: Jets

20 TeV gamma rays
Higher energies obscured by IR light

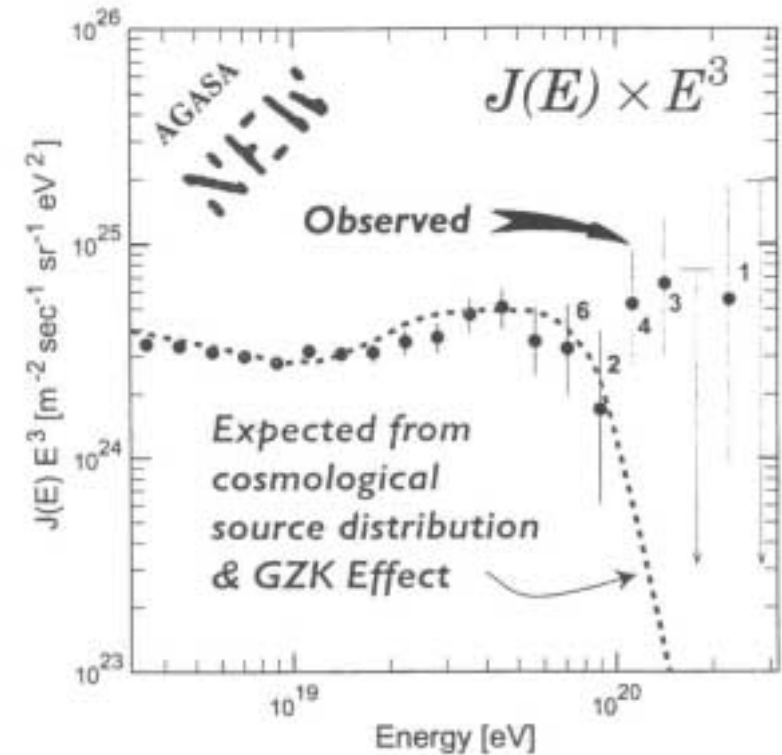
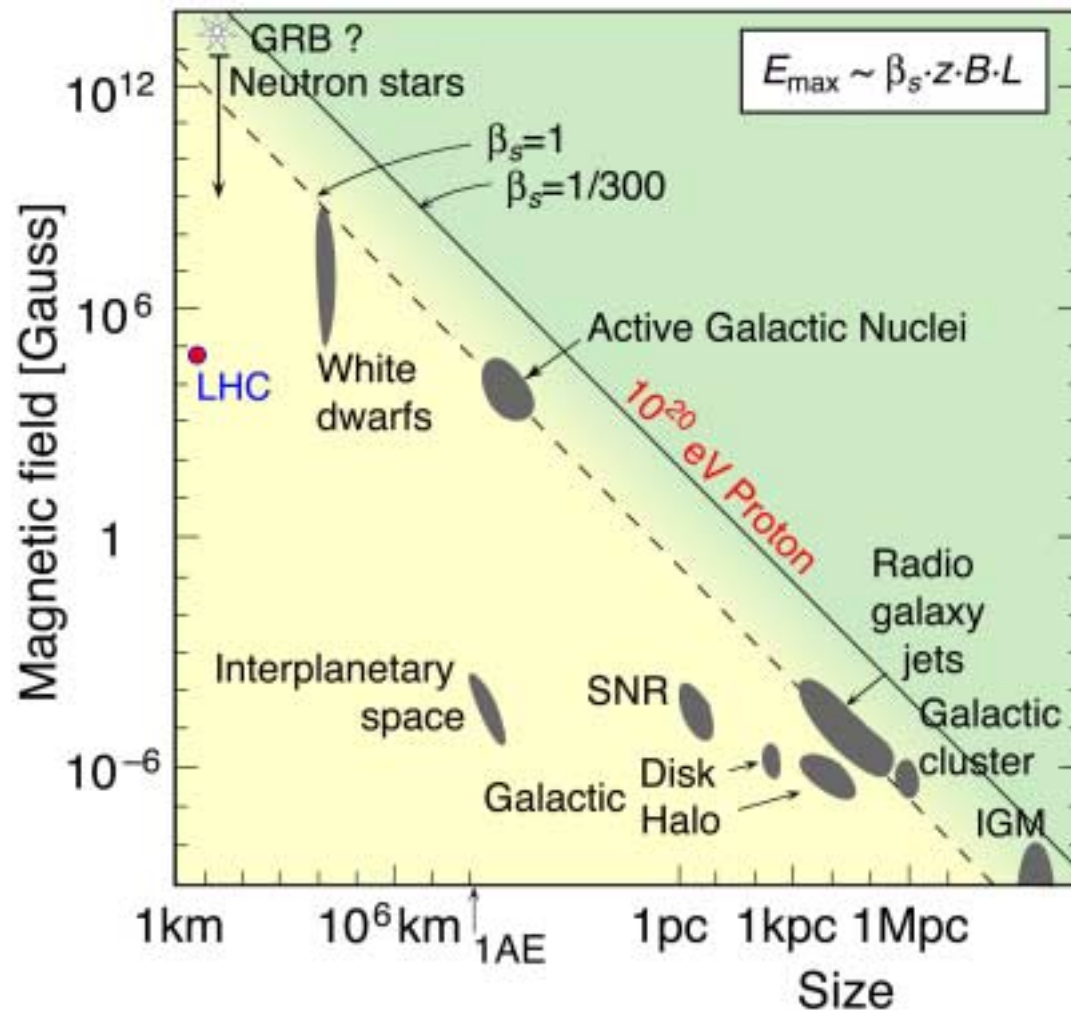


VLA image of Cygnus A

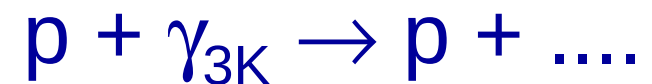
up to 10^{20} eV



Cosmic Rays with $E > 10^{20}$ eV ? ?



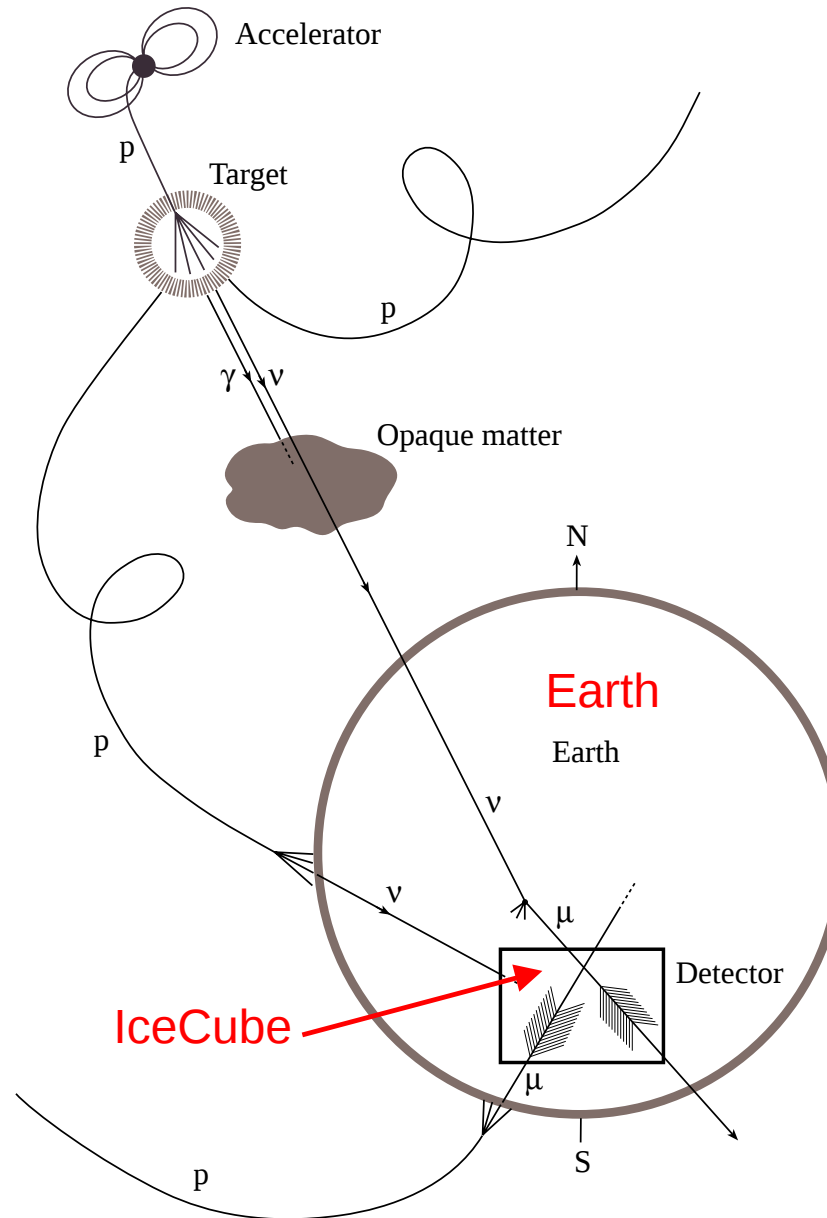
GZK effect:

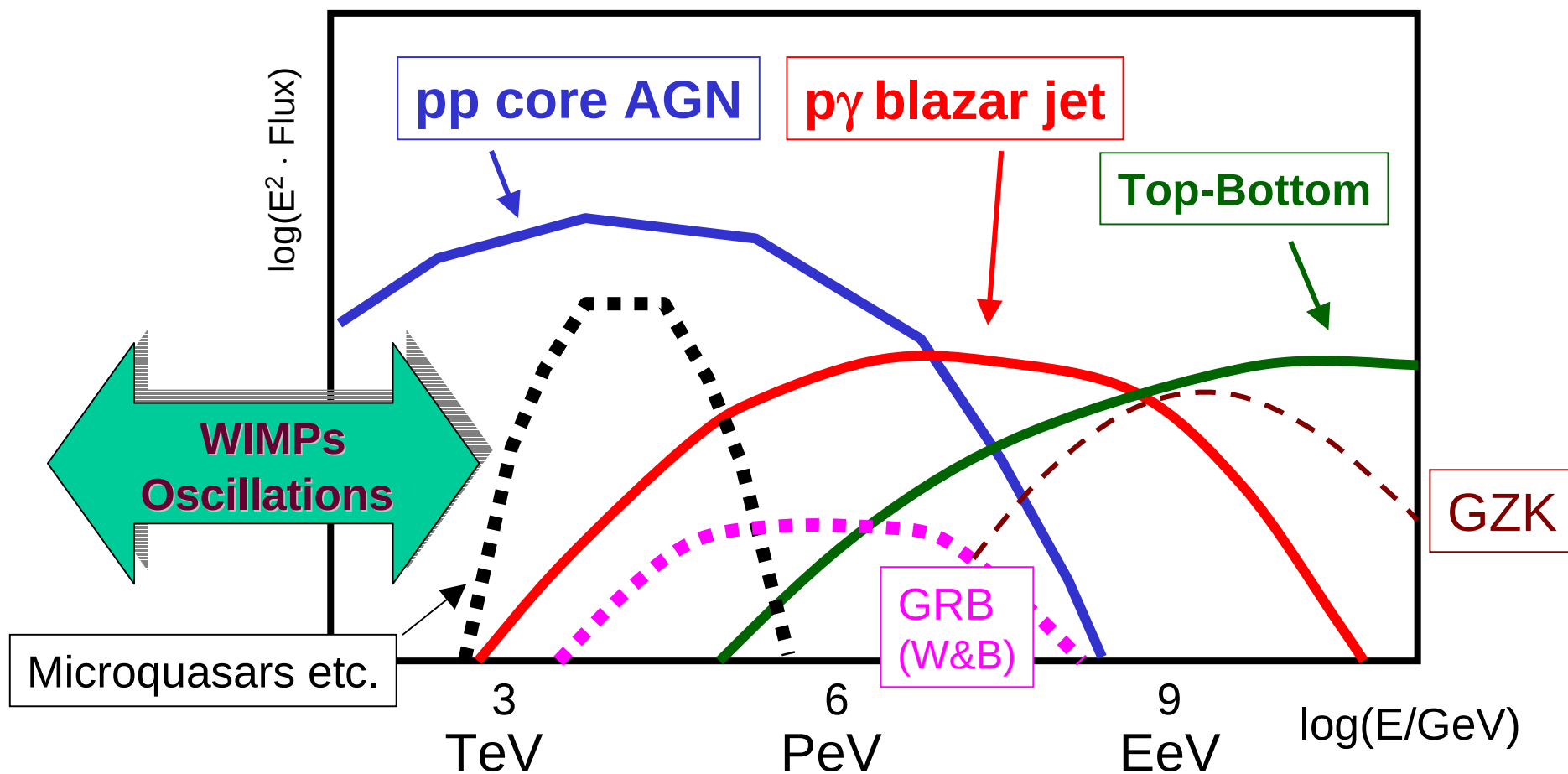
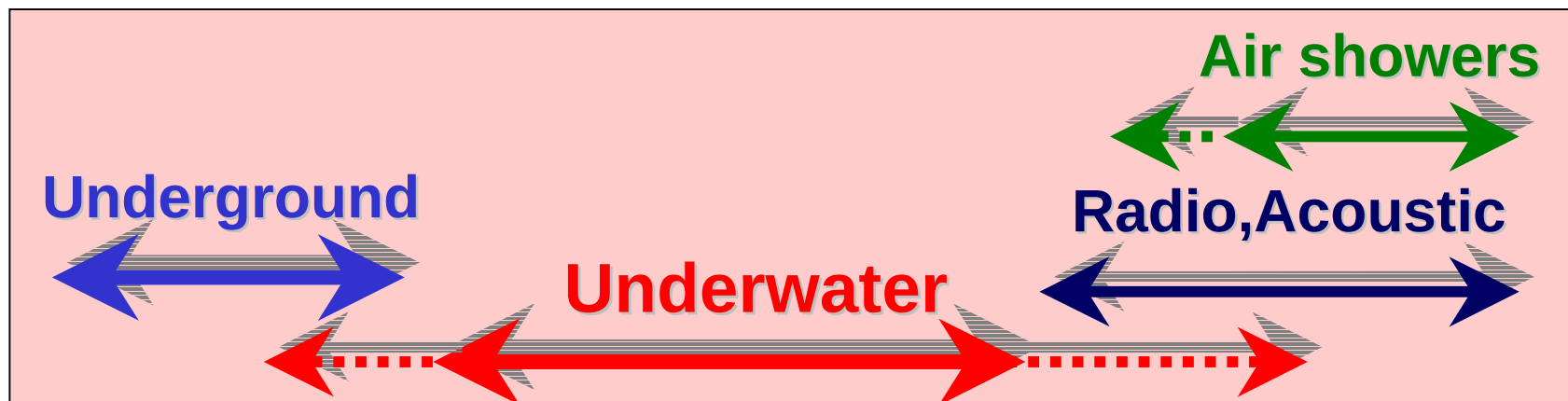


Neutrino Astronomy

measuring ν_s by its μ

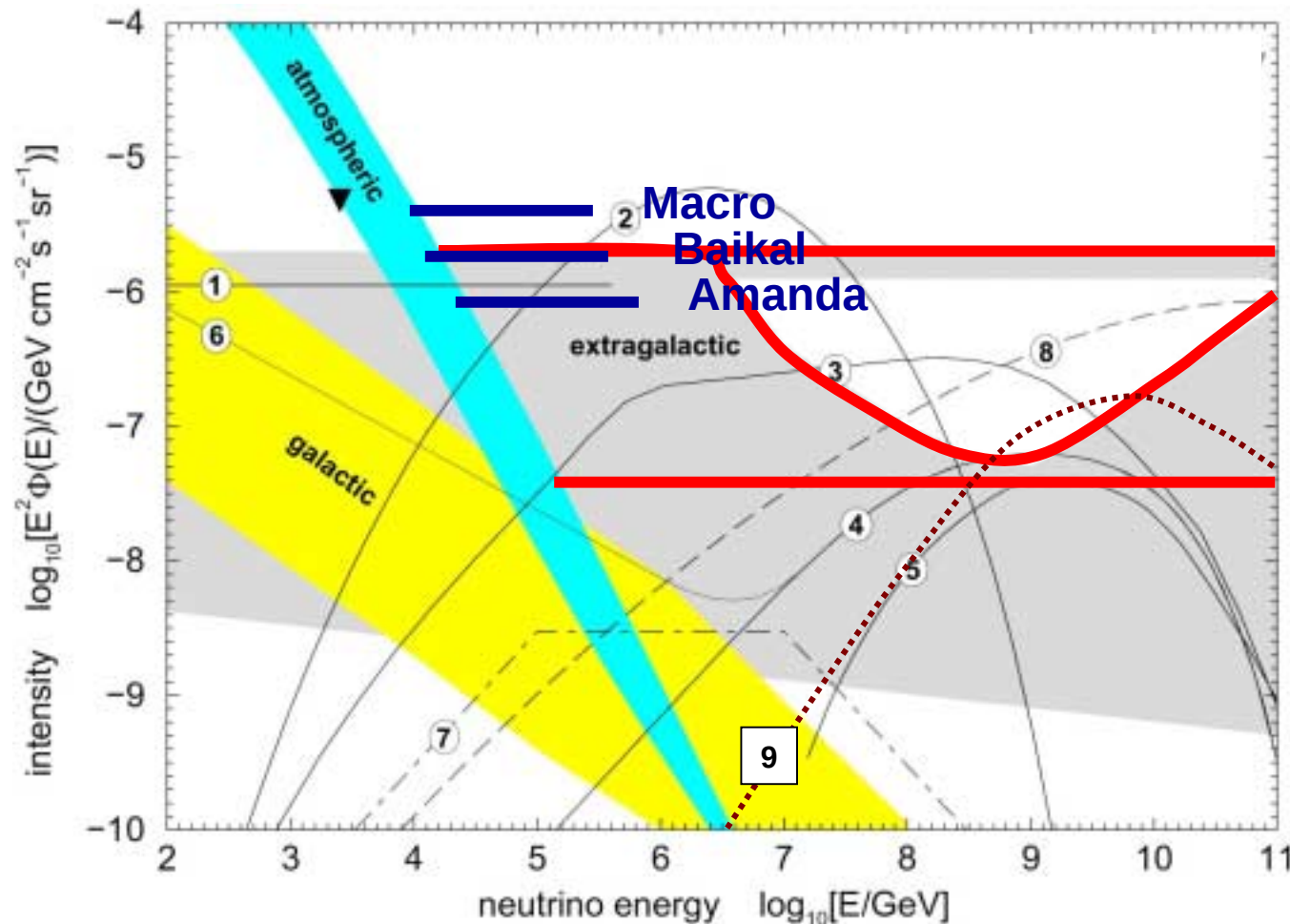
- Stable particles: γ , p , ν
- Astrophysical Sources
 - GRB, AGN, Super Novae
 - GZK ($p + \text{CMB } \gamma$)
 - Topological defects
- Backgrounds
 - Atmospheric μ 's
 - Atmospheric ν 's





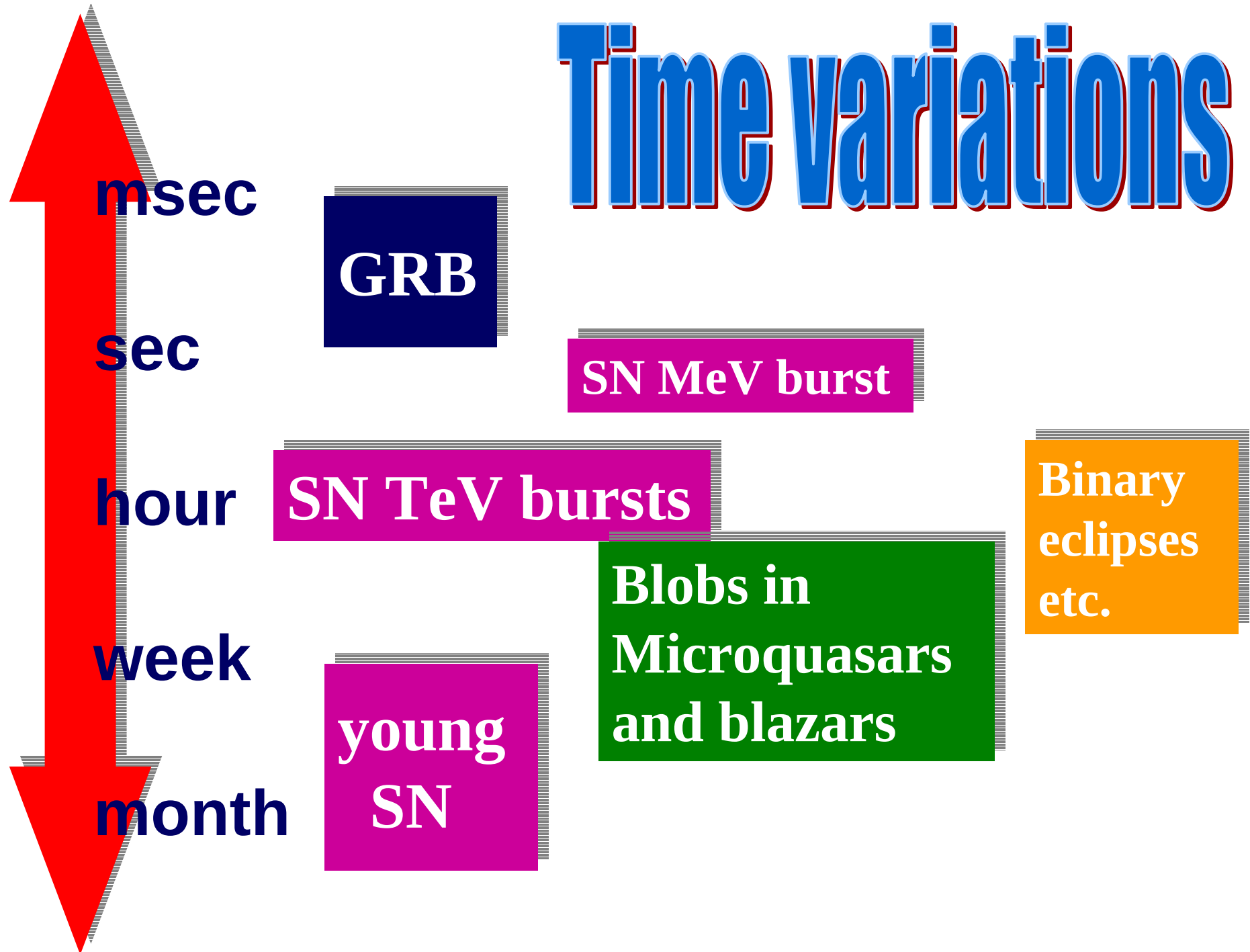
Mannheim & Learned,
2000

Diffuse Fluxes: Predictions and Bounds



- 1 pp core AGN (Nellen)
- 2 py core AGN
Stecker & Salomon)
- 3 py „maximum model“
(Mannheim et al.)
- 4 py blazar jets (Mannh)
- 5 py AGN
(Rachen & Biermann)
- 6 pp AGN (Mannheim)
- 7 GRB
(Waxman & Bahcall)
- 8 TD (Sigl)
- 9 GZK

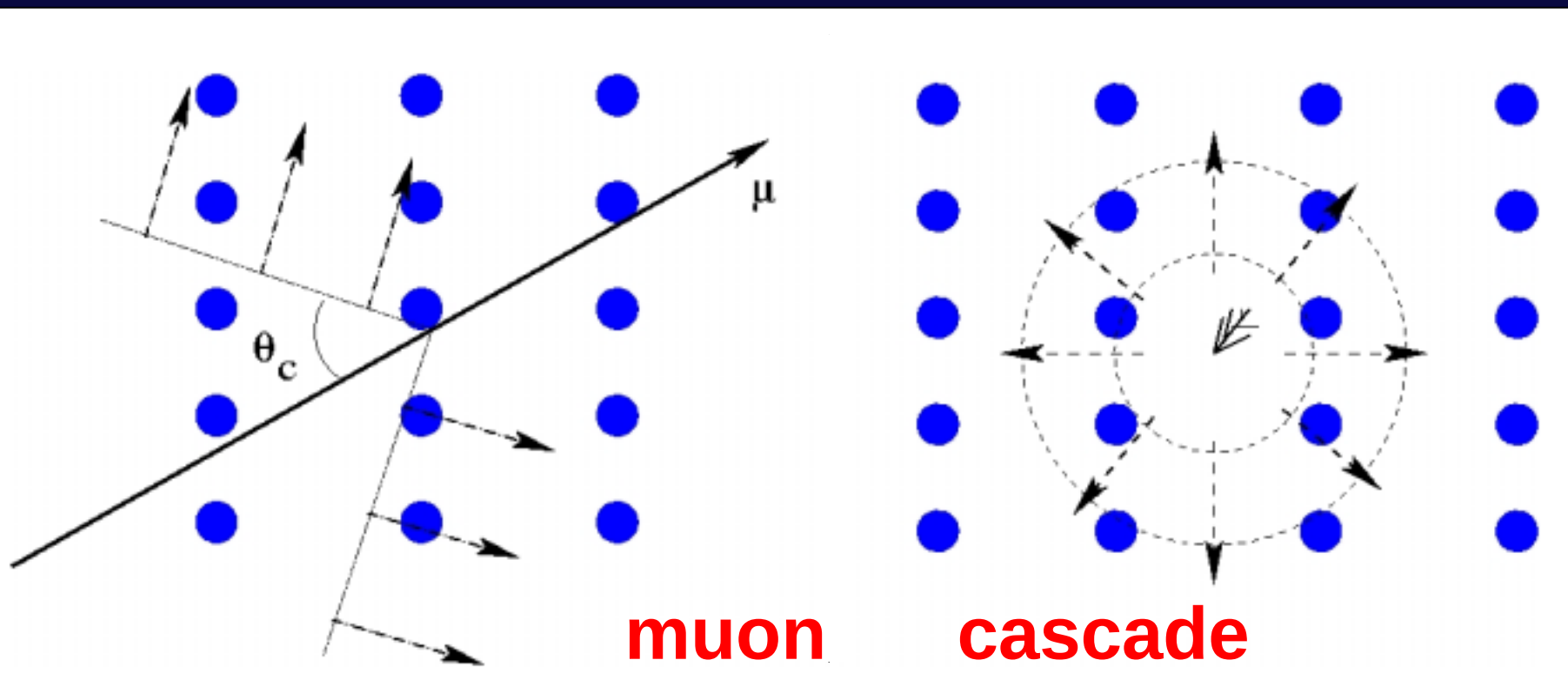
Time variations



2. Detection Methods and Projects

- A. Underwater/Ice Cherenkov Telescopes
- B. Acoustic Detection
- C. Radio Detection
- D. Detection by Air Showers

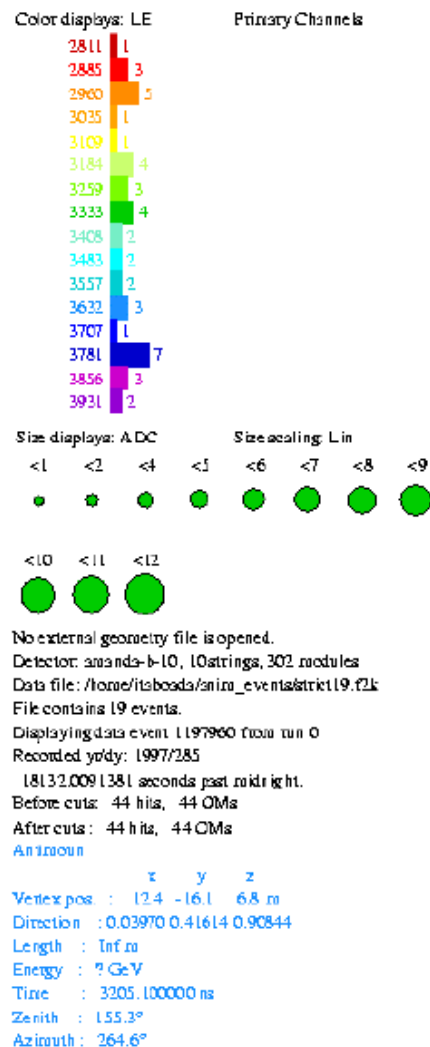
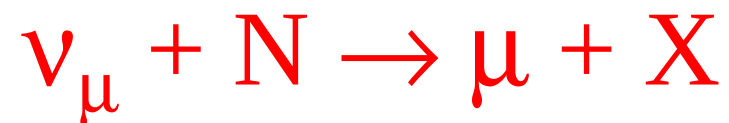
Underwater/Ice Cherenkov Telescopes



AMANDA Event Signatures: Muons

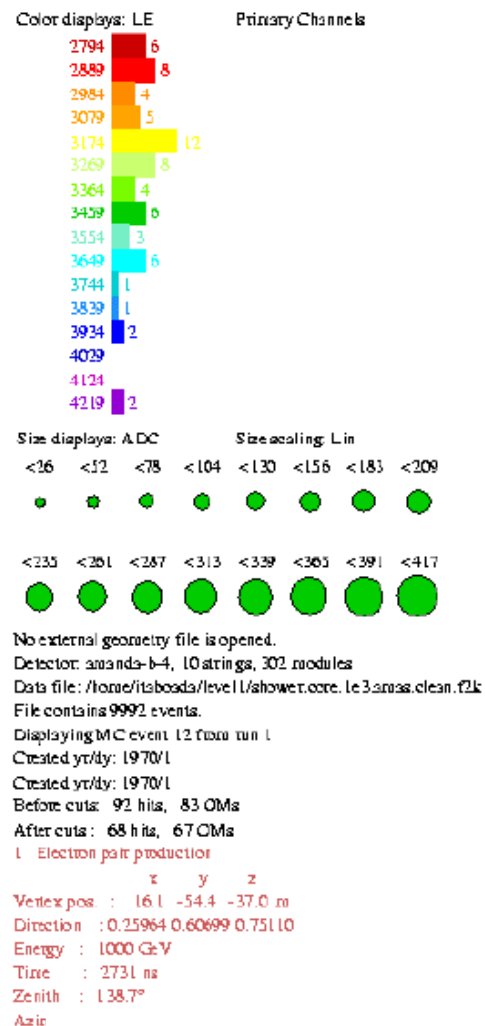
CC muon neutrino
interaction

→ **track**

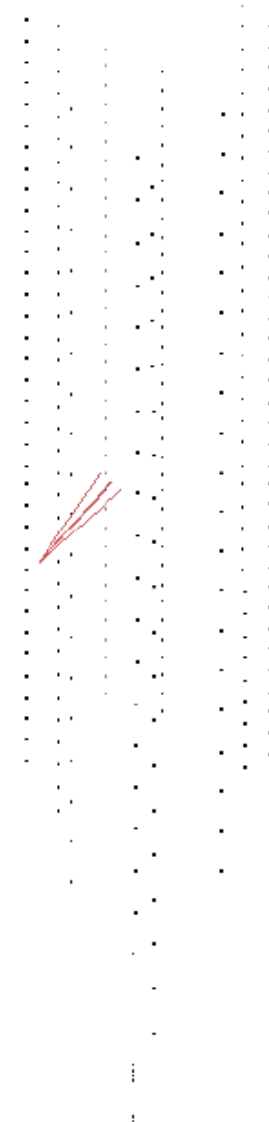


AMANDA Event Signatures: Cascades

- CC electron and tau neutrino interaction:
- $\nu_{(e,\tau)} + N \rightarrow (e, \tau) + X$
- NC neutrino interaction:
 $\nu_x + N \rightarrow \nu_x + X$

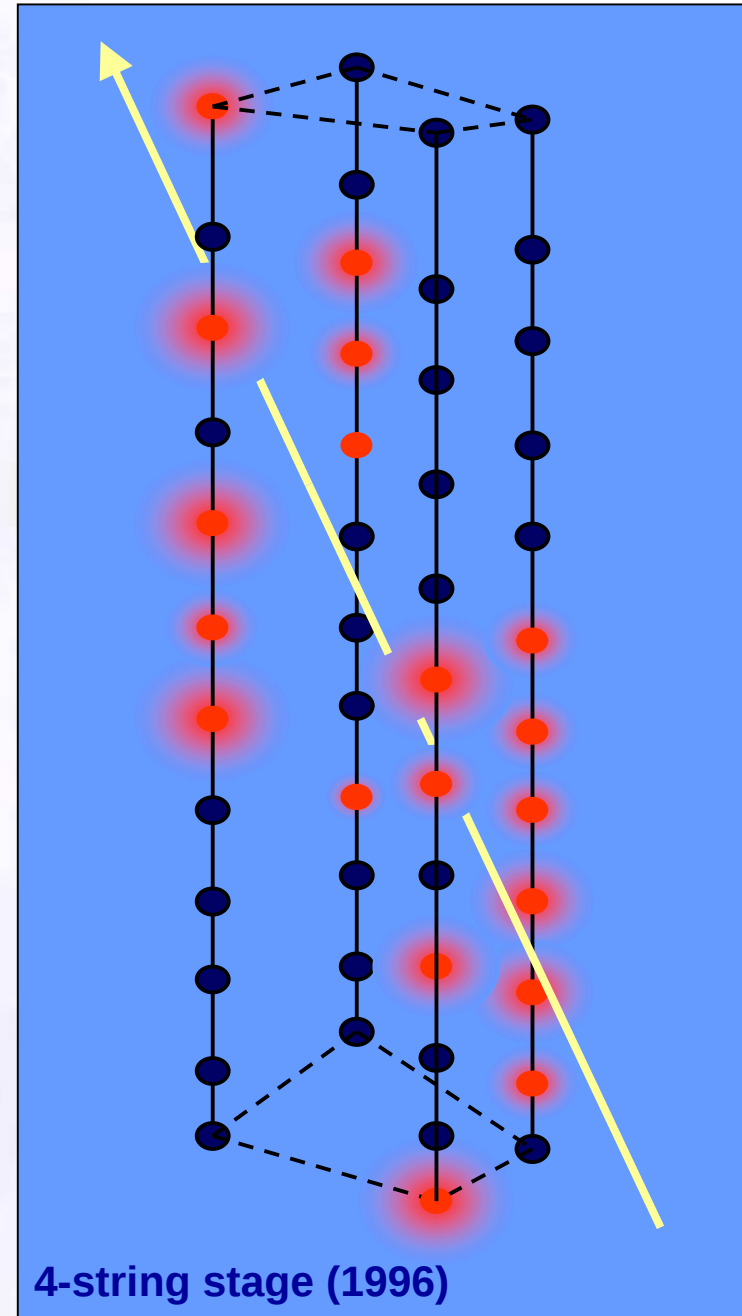


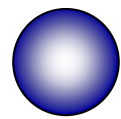
Cascades



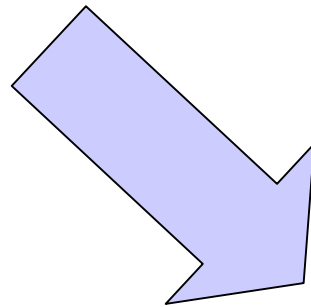
Lake Baikal

First underwater telescope
First neutrinos underwater

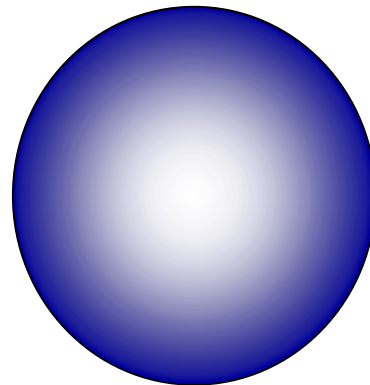


 **NT-200**
192 PMT
>15 GeV

1997-2004

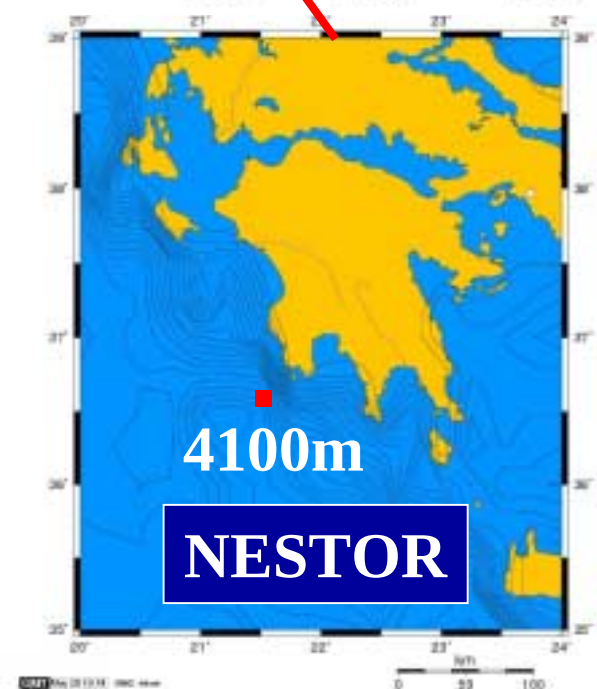
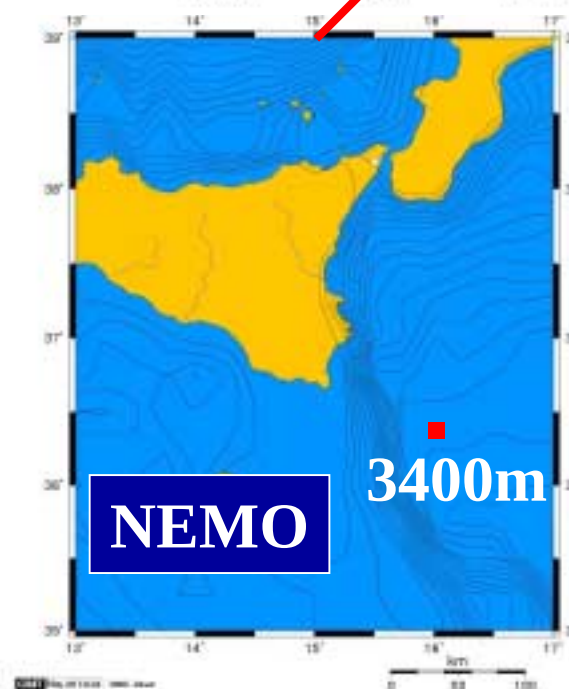
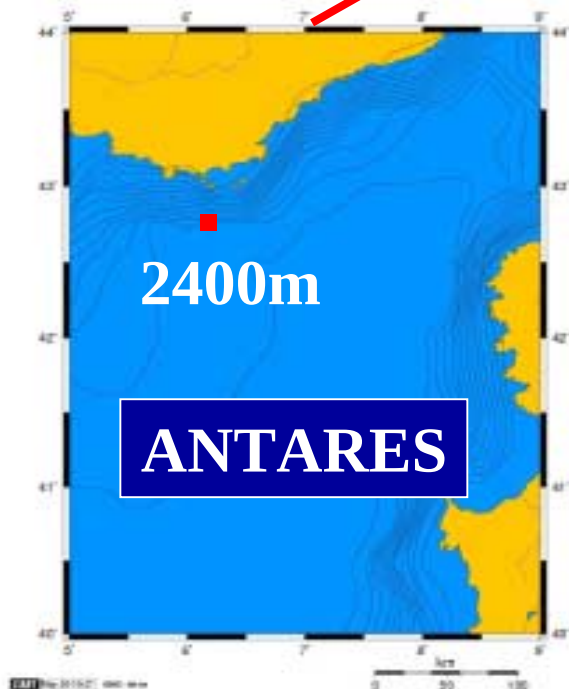
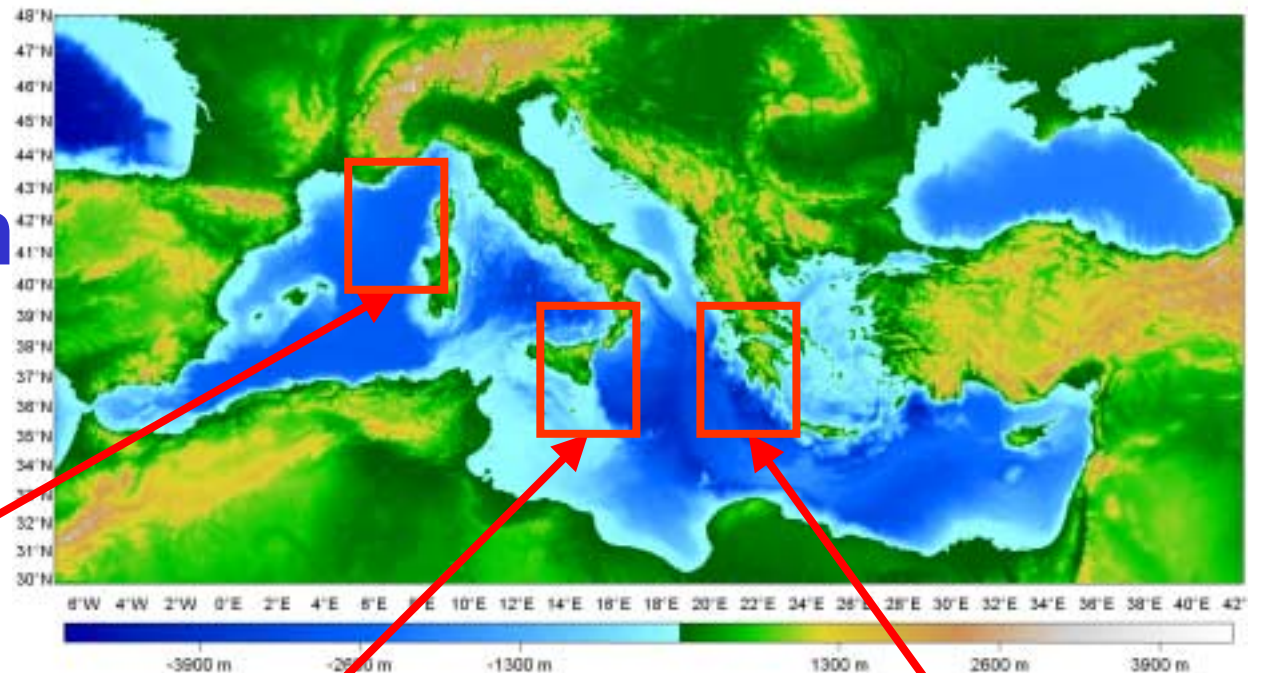


2004-2006 ...

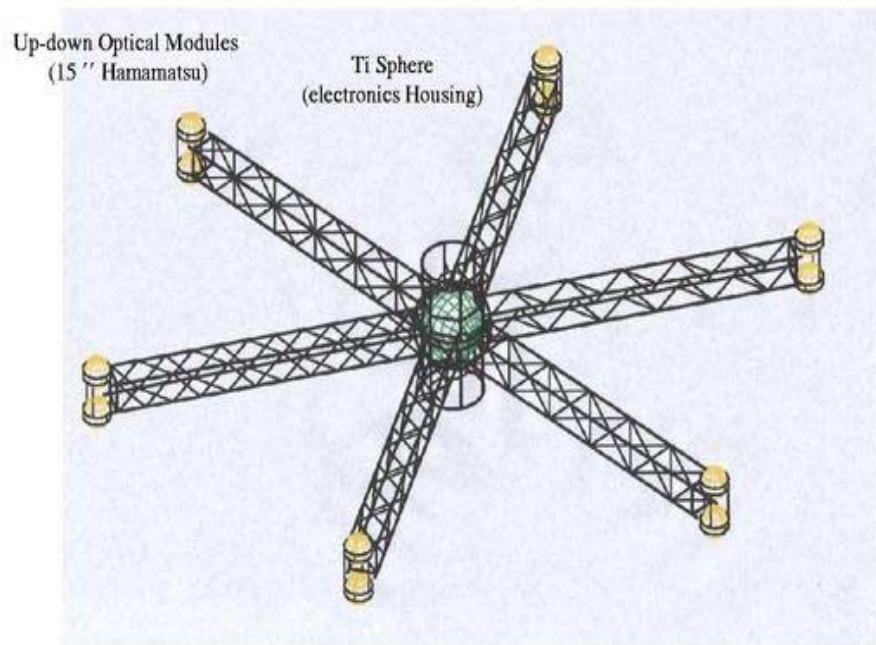
NT-200+
214 PMT
Cascades > 100 TeV

Mediterranean Projects

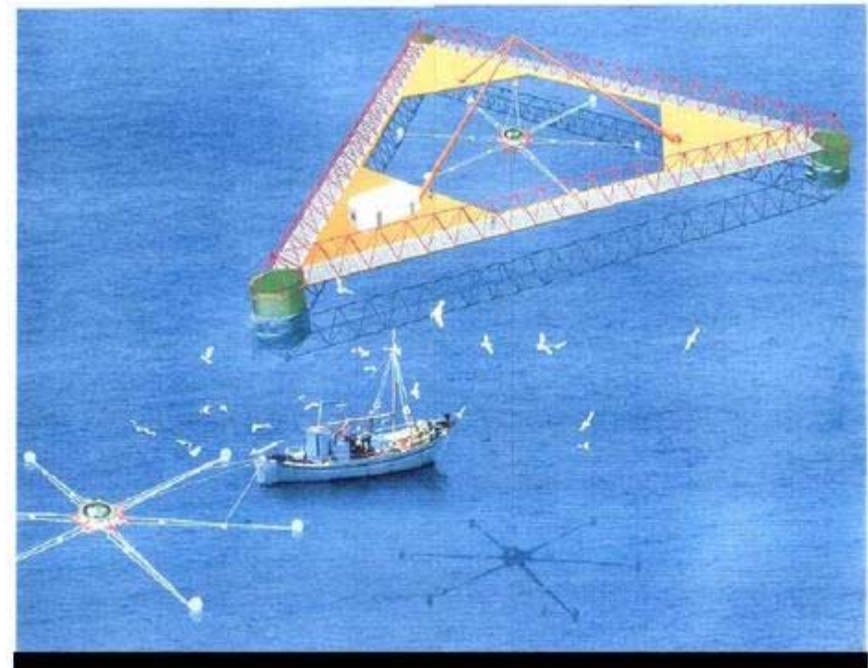


NESTOR

Site: Pylos (Greece), 3800m depth
towers of 12 titanium floors each supporting 12 PMTs

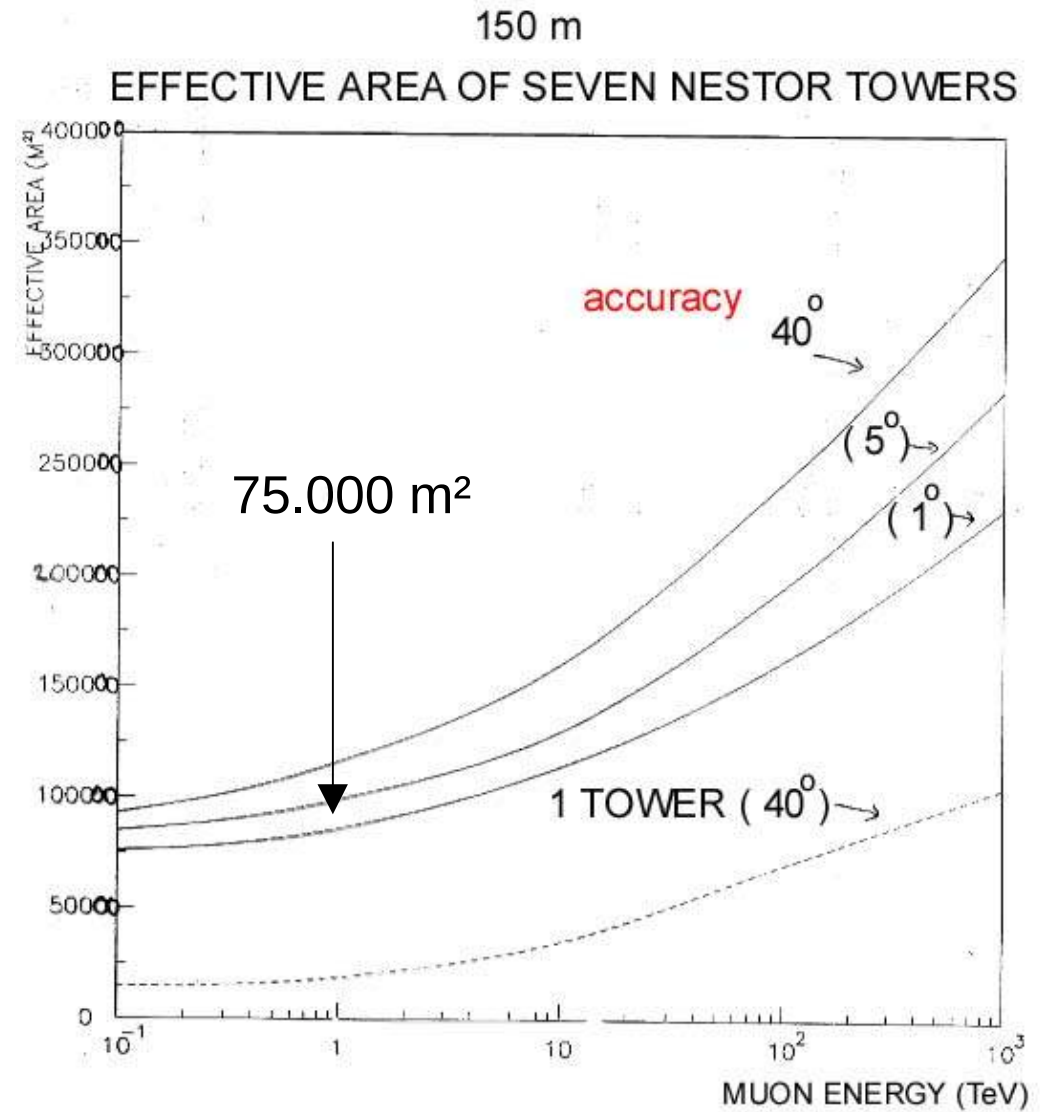
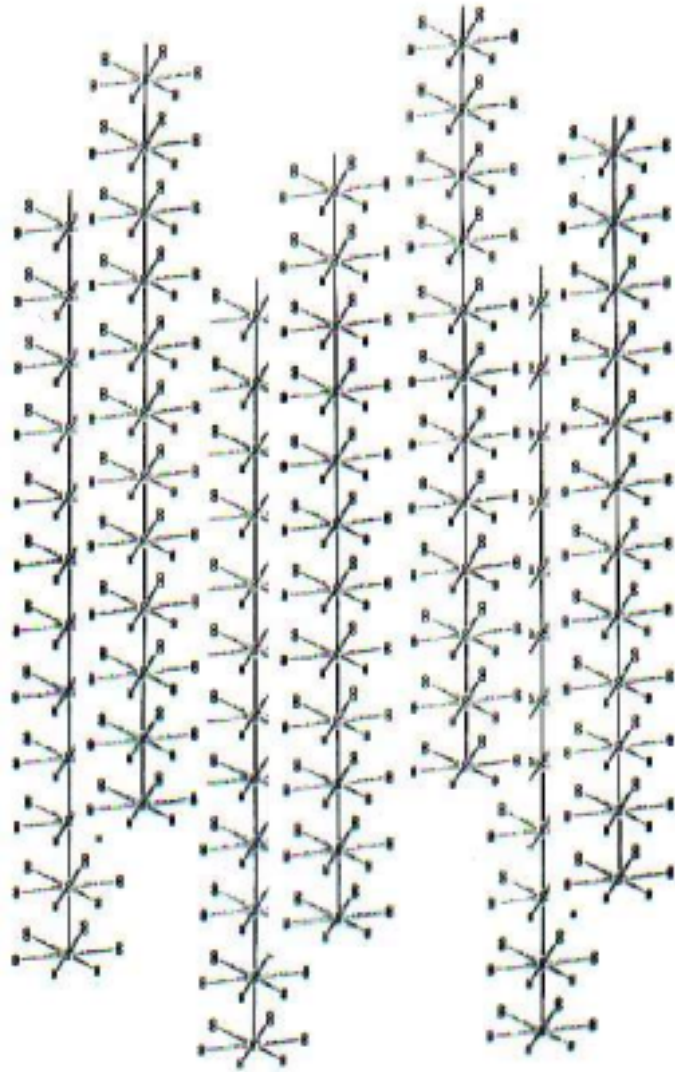


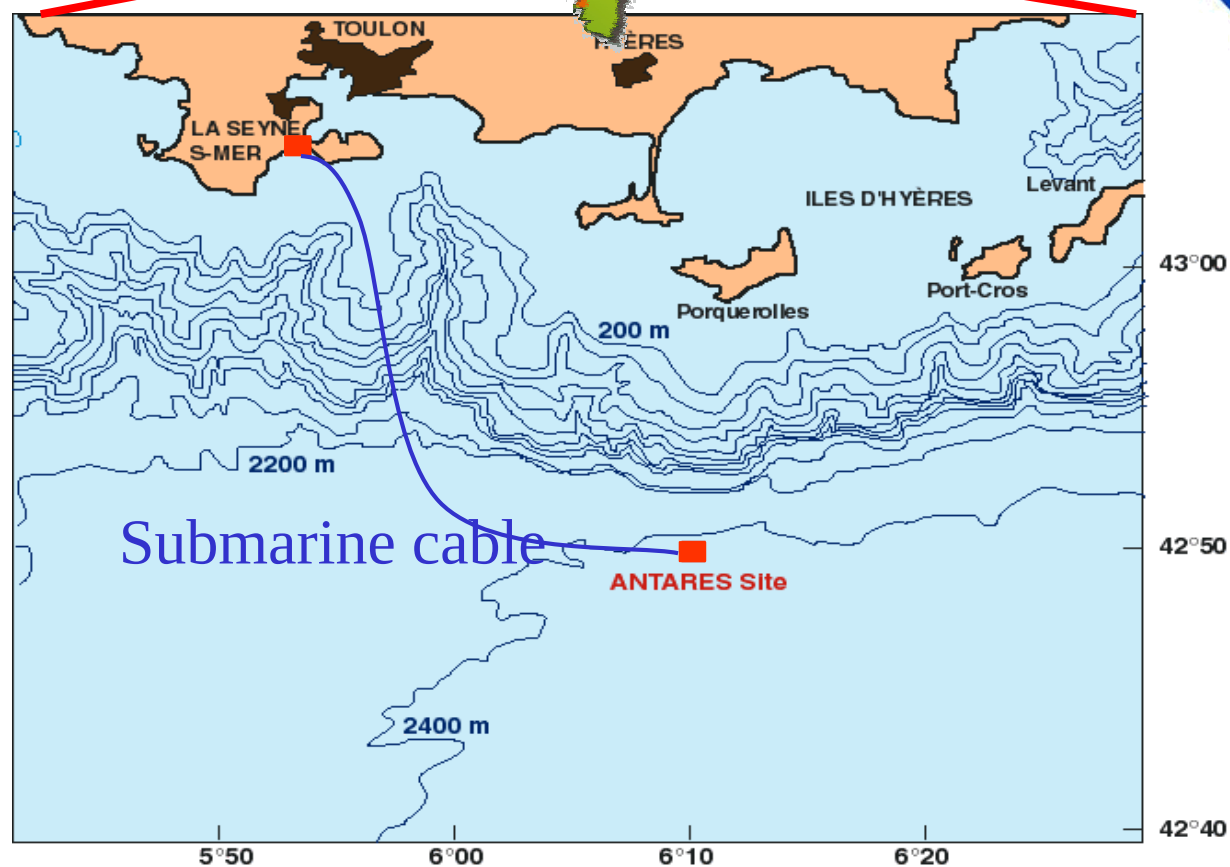
**SHORT ARM (1/3 the usual diameter)
HEXAGONAL TITANIUM FLOOR**



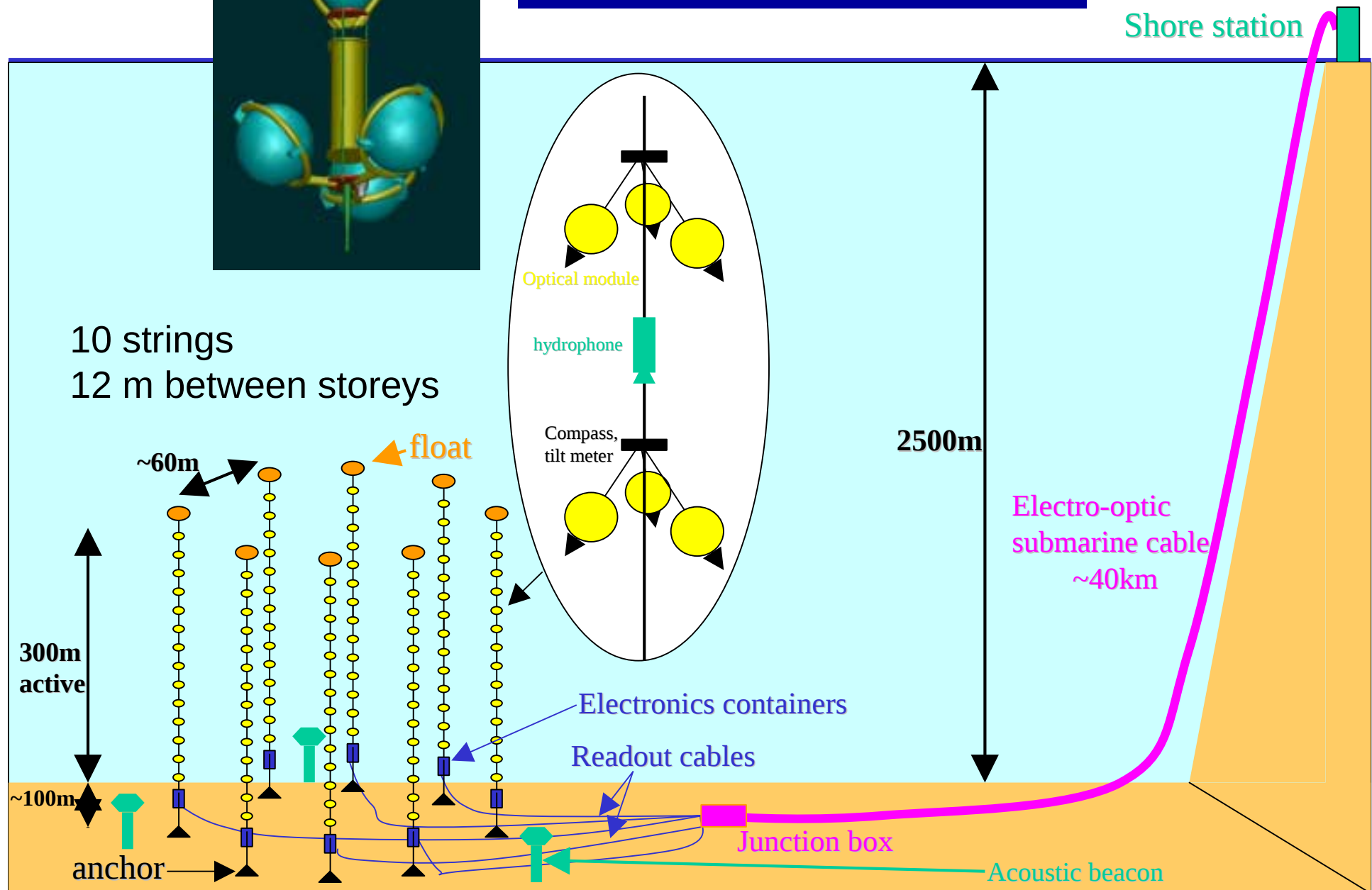
DELTA BERENIKE

7 NESTOR towers ? 75 000 m² at 1 TeV

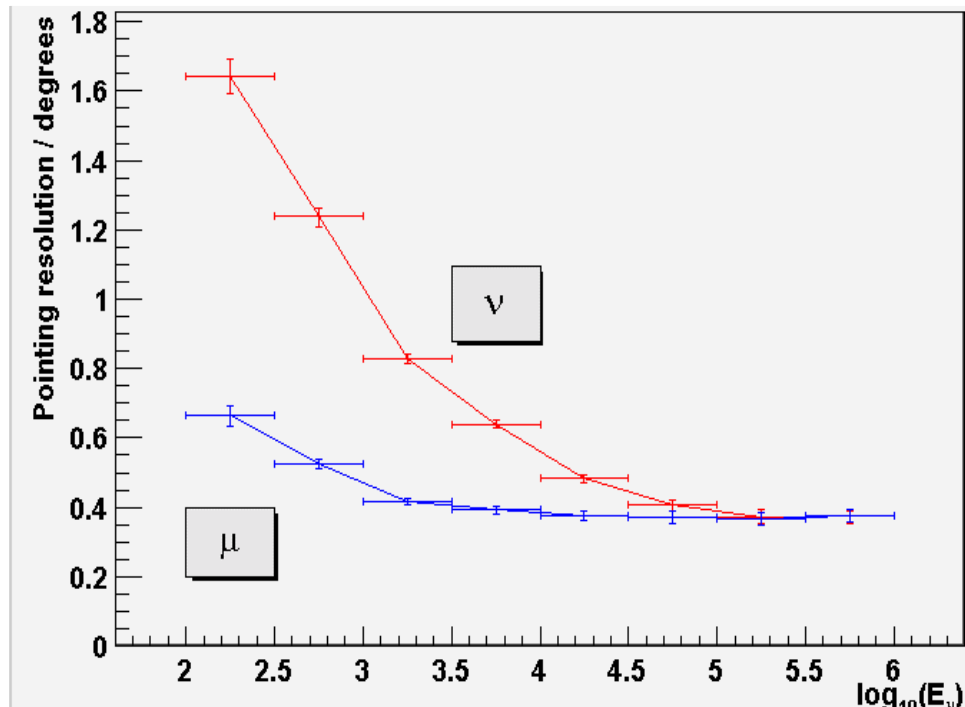




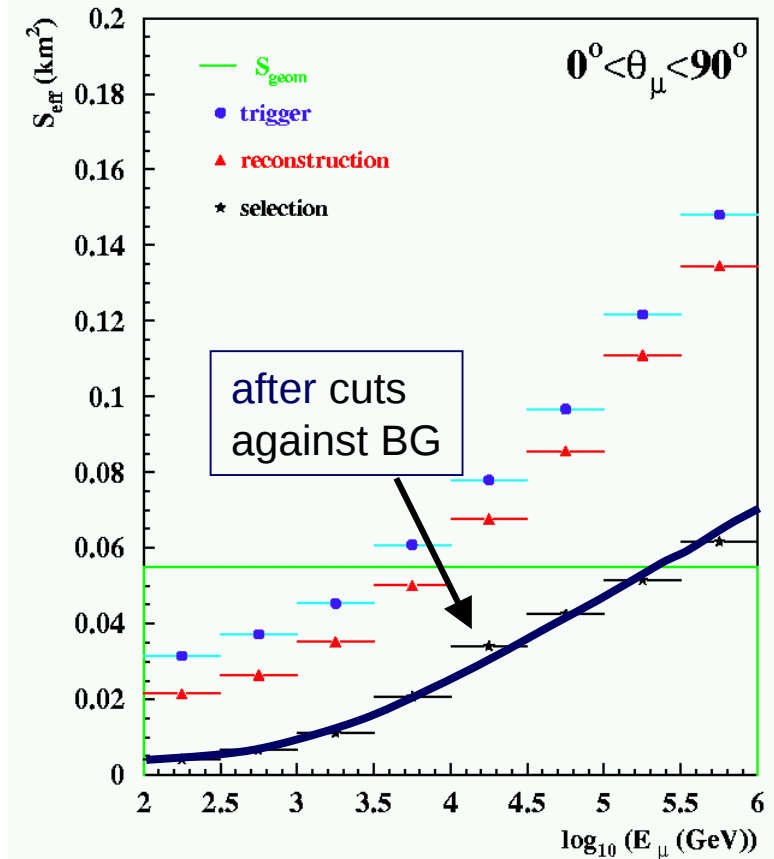
ANTARES Design



ANTARES Performance



Very good angular accuracy
below 3 TeV angular error is dominated by kinematics, above 3 TeV by reconstruction error ($\sim 0.4^\circ$)

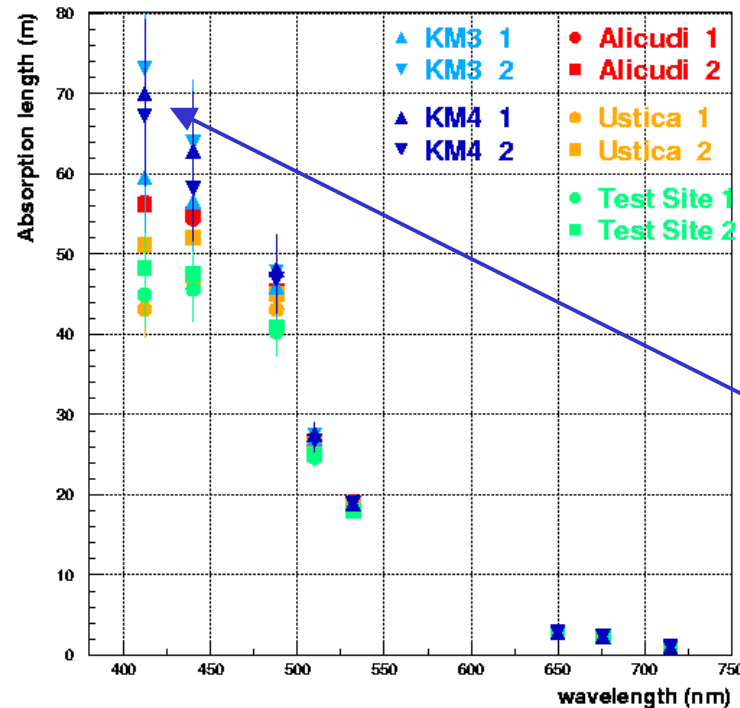
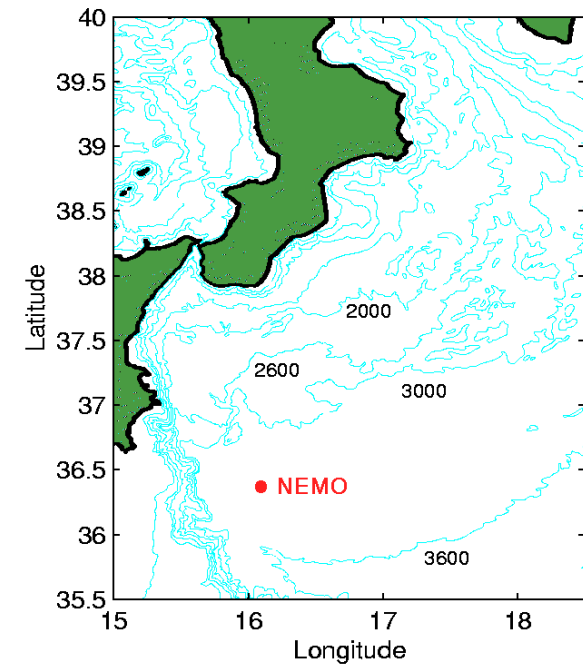


Effective area:
 $\sim 10\,000\text{ m}^2$ at 1 TeV
 $\sim 50\,000\text{ m}^2$ at 100 TeV

NEMO *Neutrino Mediterranean Observatory*

The Capo Passero Site

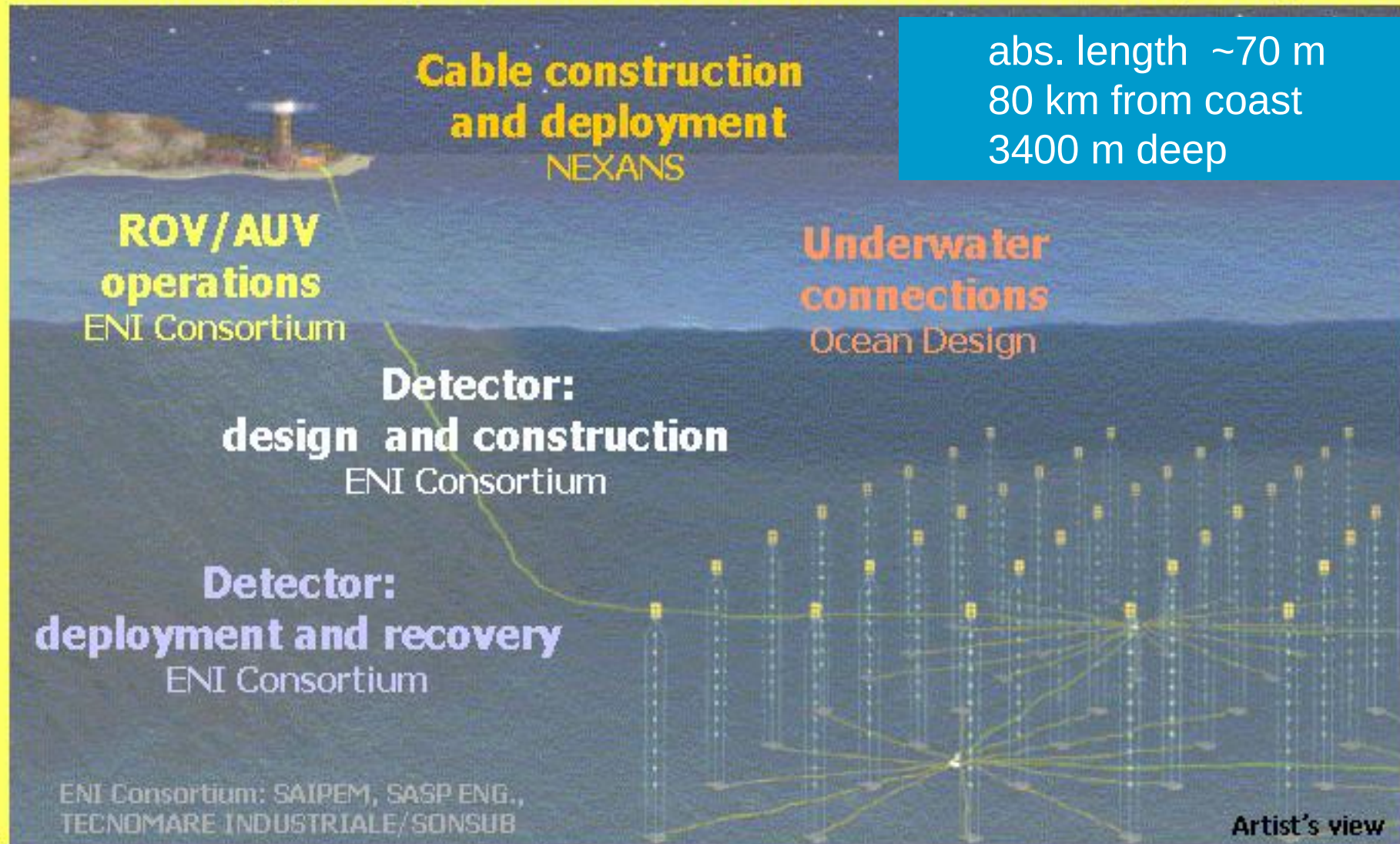
- Very good optical properties (light absorption length about 70 m)
- ~ 80 km from coast
- about 3400 m deep
- Very low sedimentation and biological activity



absorption length
~ 70 m at 400 nm

NEMO *Neutrino Mediterranean Observatory*

Coordinated by INFN, in collaboration with SACLANTcen-NATO, CNR, OGS



NESTOR

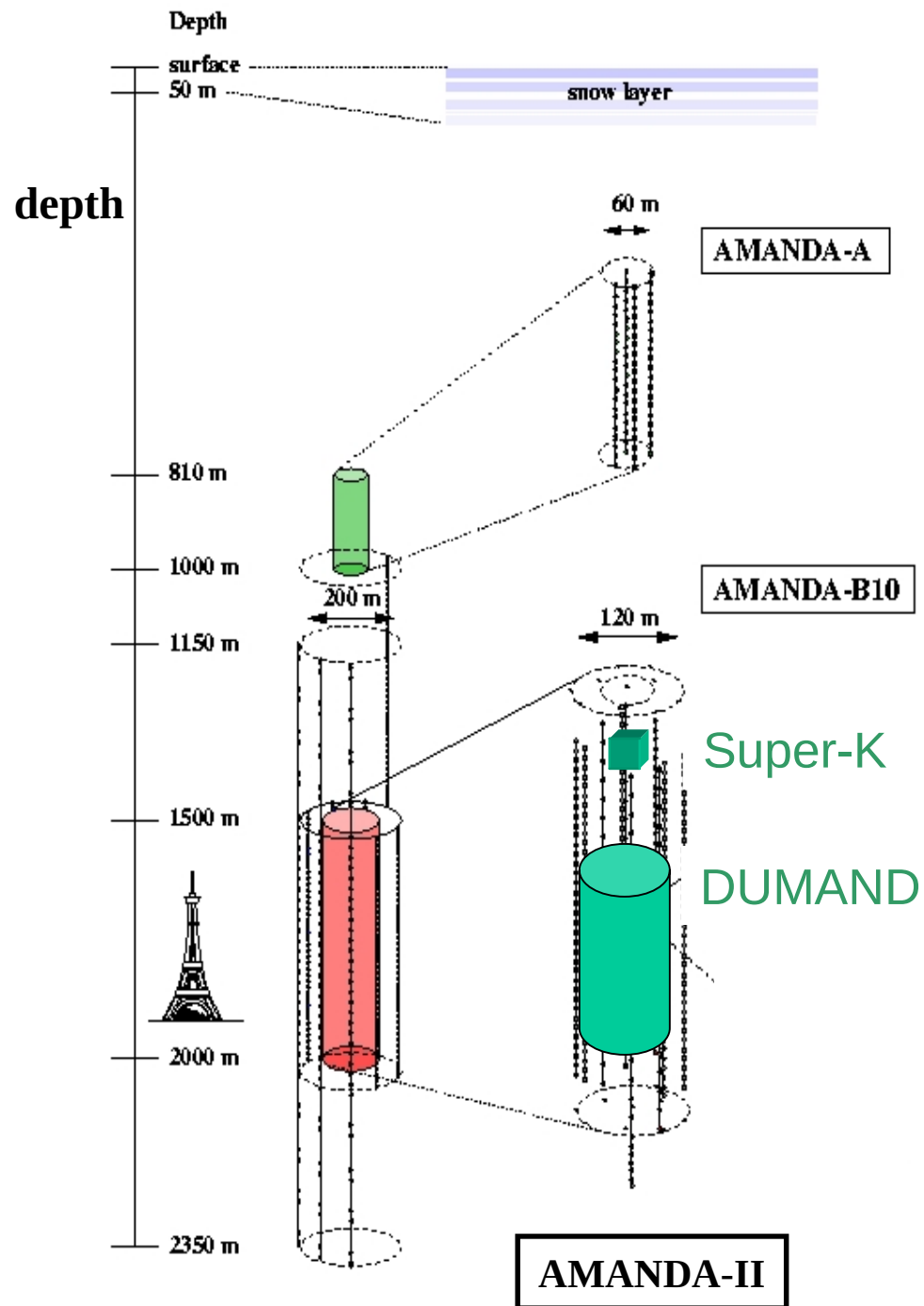
	1991 - 2000	R & D, Site Evaluation
Summer	2002	Deployment 2 floors
Winter	2003	Recovery & re-deployment with 4 floors
Autumn	2003	Full Tower deployment
	2004	Add 3 DUMAND strings around tower
	2005 - ?	Deployment of 7 NESTOR towers

ANTARES

	1996 - 2000	R&D, Site Evaluation
	2000	Demonstrator line
	2001	Start Construction
September	2002	Deploy prototype line
December	2004	10 (14?) line detector complete
	2005 - ?	Construction of km ³ Detector

NEMO

	1999 - 2001	Site selection and R&D
	2002 - 2004	Prototyping at Catania Test Site
	2005 - ?	Construction of km³ Detector



AMANDA



Amanda-II:
677 PMTs
at 19 strings
(1996-2000)

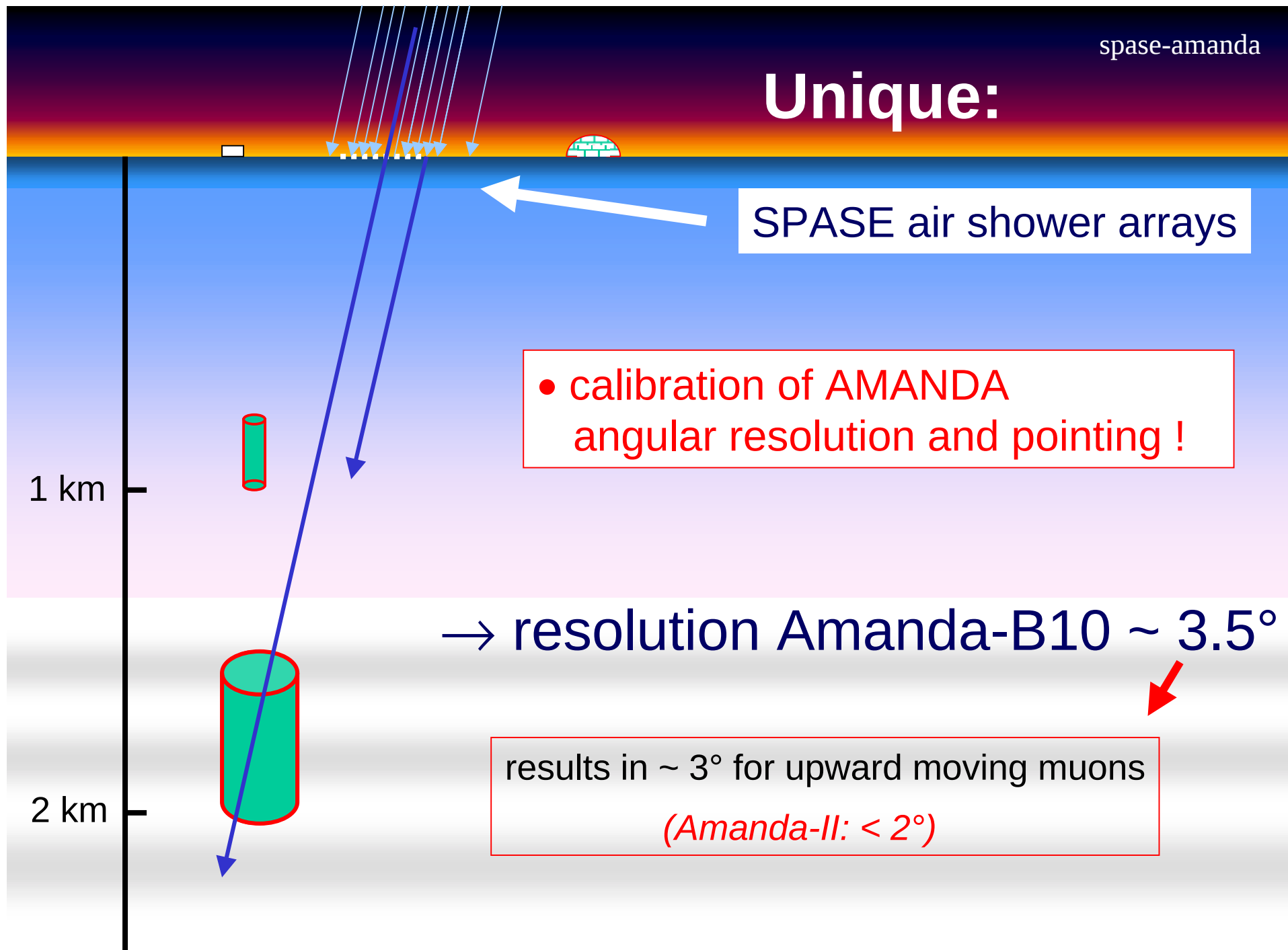
Unique:

SPASE air shower arrays

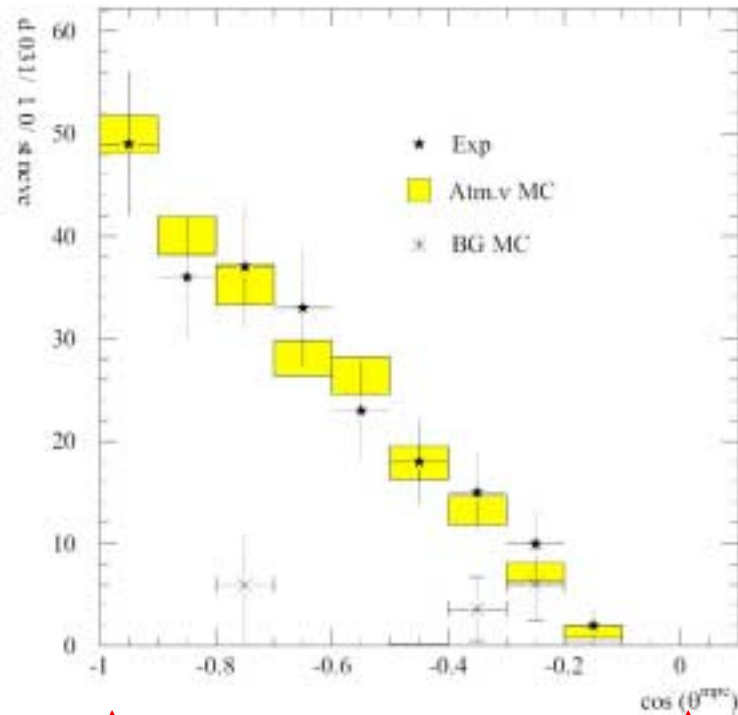
- calibration of AMANDA
angular resolution and pointing !

→ resolution Amanda-B10 $\sim 3.5^\circ$

results in $\sim 3^\circ$ for upward moving muons
(*Amanda-II: $< 2^\circ$*)

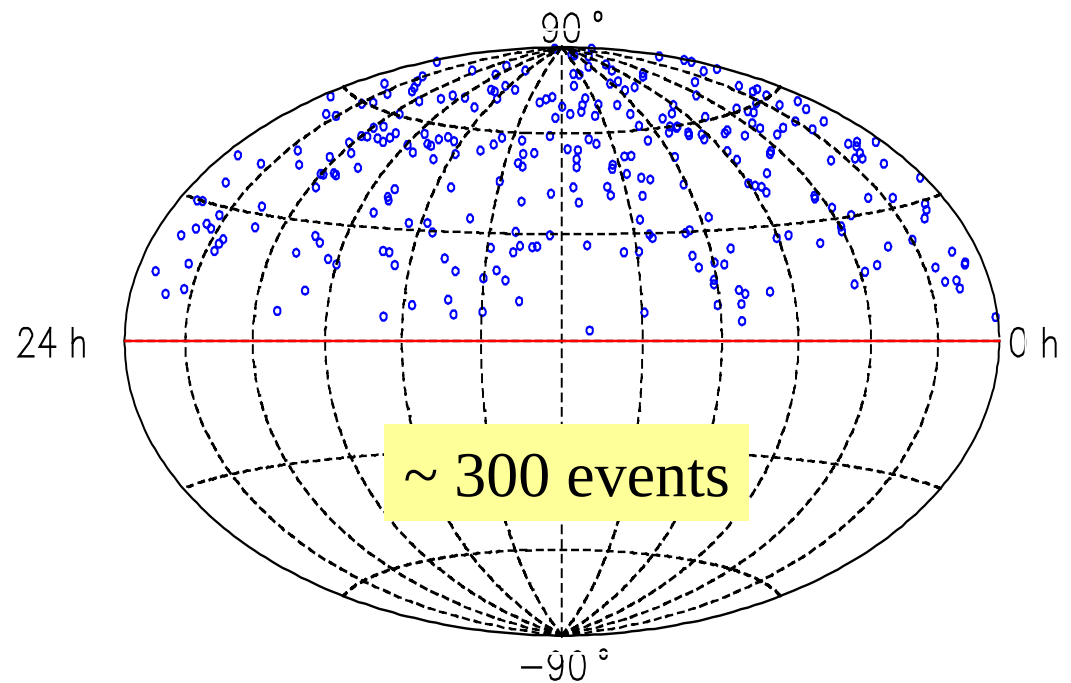


Atmospheric Neutrinos, 97 data



vertically up

horizontally



→ AMANDA sensitivity understood down to normalization factor of ~ 40% (modeling of ice ...)

2002 real time analysis at Pole

On line reconstruction and filtering with 2 high end PCs at SP

→ 2 % minimum bias

→ upward tracks

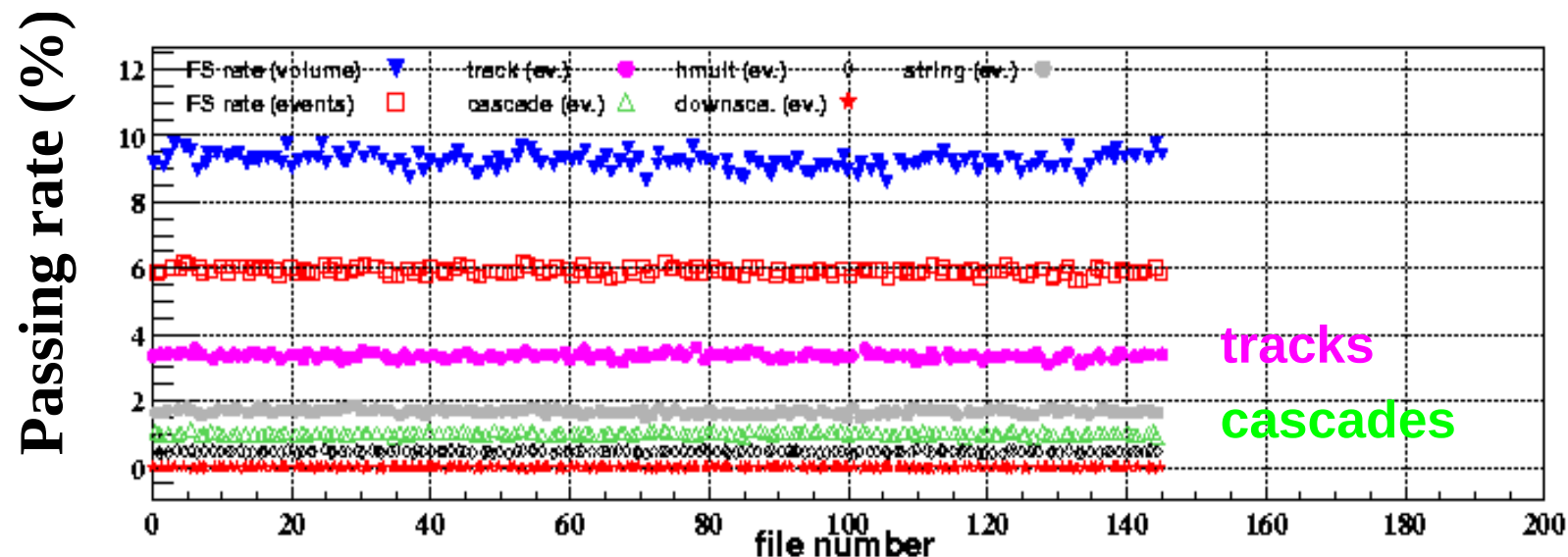
→ cascades

→ high multiplicities

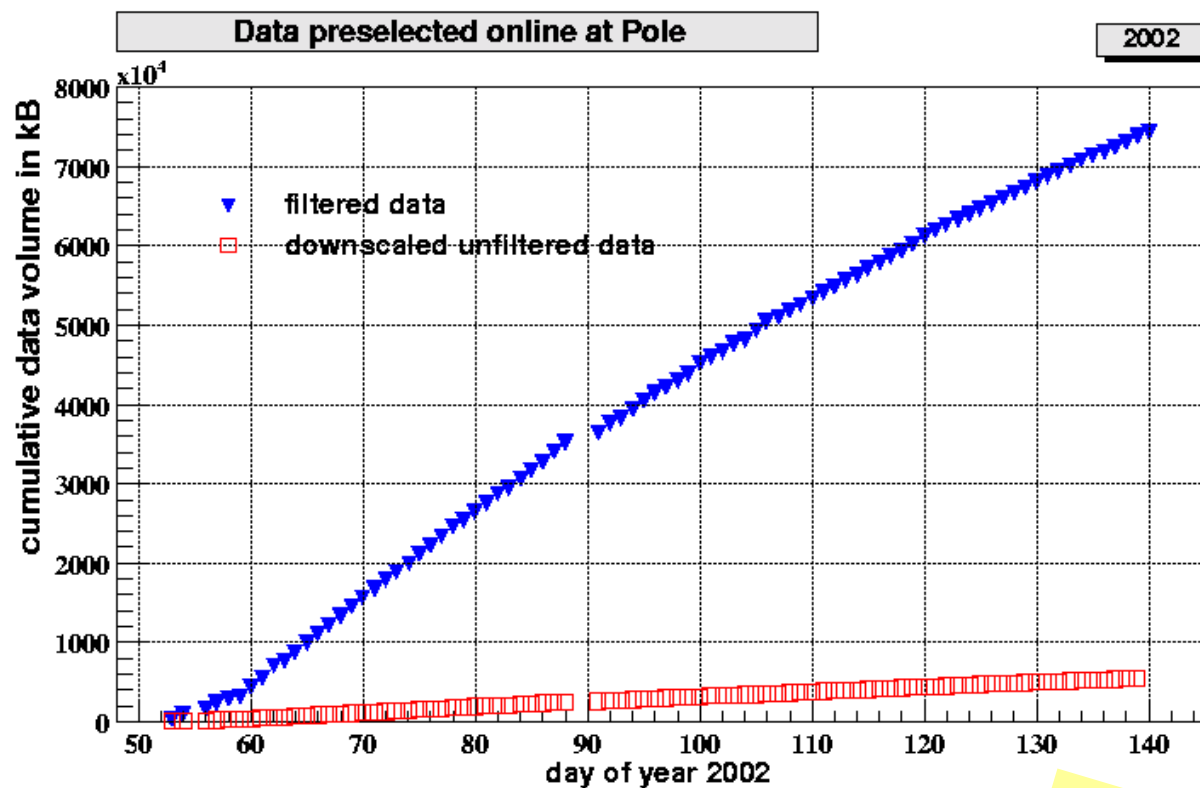
→ string trigger

→ Spase-Amanda

Friday, 14 June, 2002



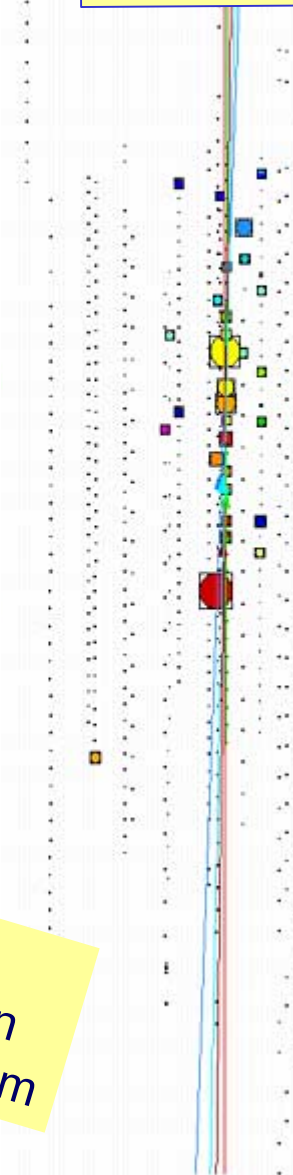
2002 real time analysis



Daily transmission ~ 1 GB via satellite
Full data to tape (available next polar summer)
Monitoring shifts in home labs

From 02/03:
Iridium connection
for supernova alarm

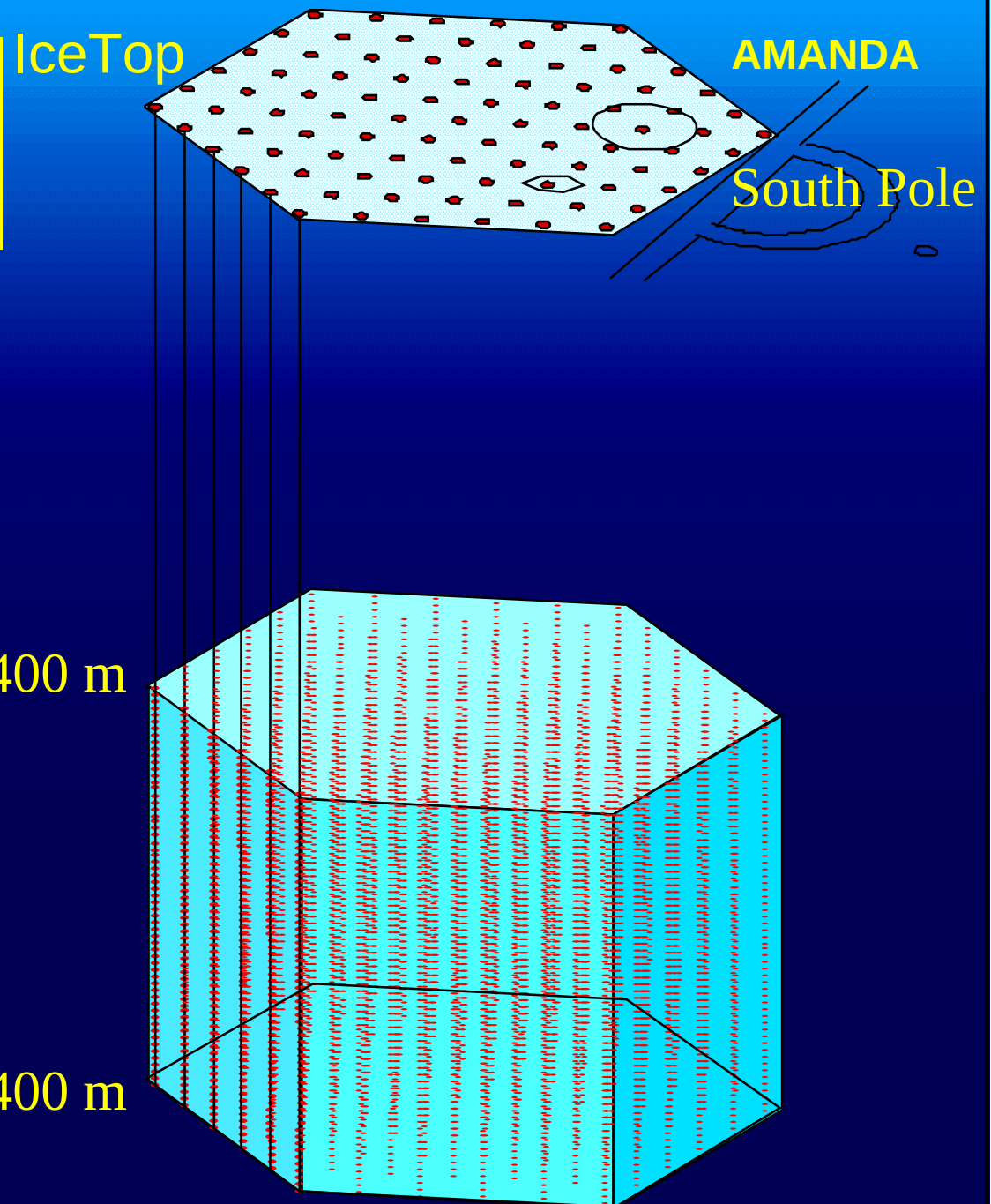
V event
June 14



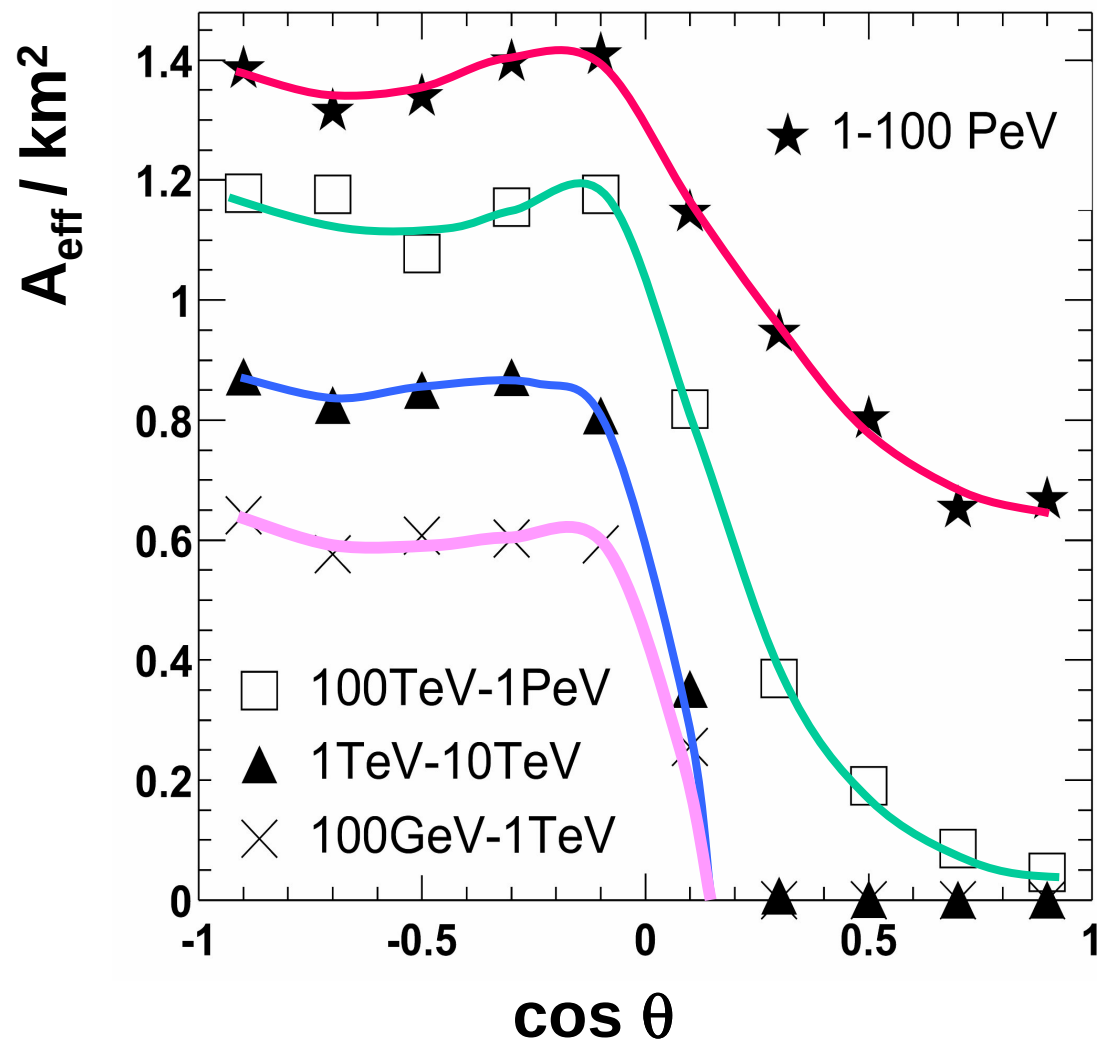
IceCube

- 80 Strings
- 4800 PMT
- Instrumented volume: 1 km^3
- Installation:
2004-2010

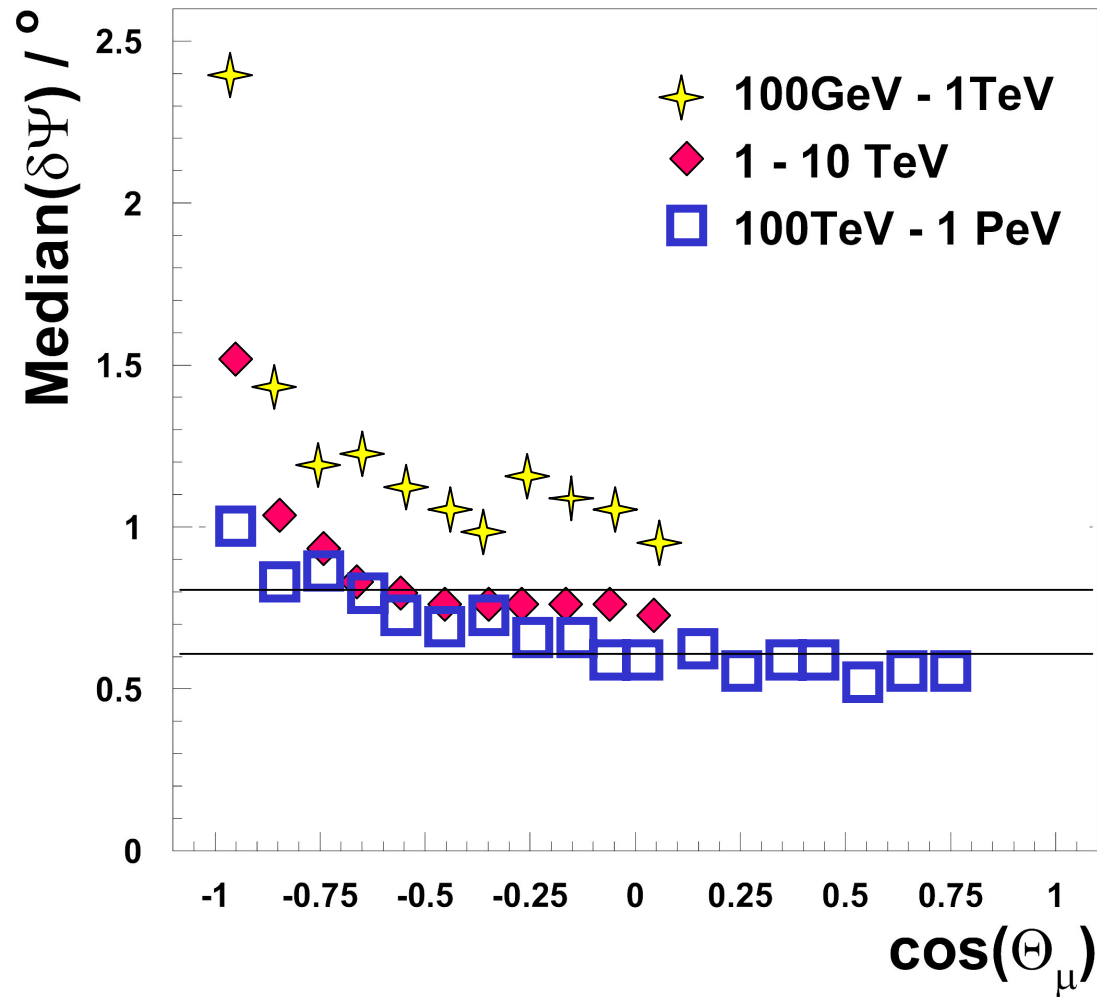
$\sim 80.000 \text{ atm.v per year}$



Effective area of IceCube



Angular resolution as a function of zenith angle



*Waveform
information
not used.
Will improve
resolution for
high energies !*

0.8°
 0.6°

Ice

vs.

Water

- **Proven technology**
- **Stable deployment surface**
- **Stable detector geometry**
- **Longer absorption length**
- **Sterile, low noise medium**

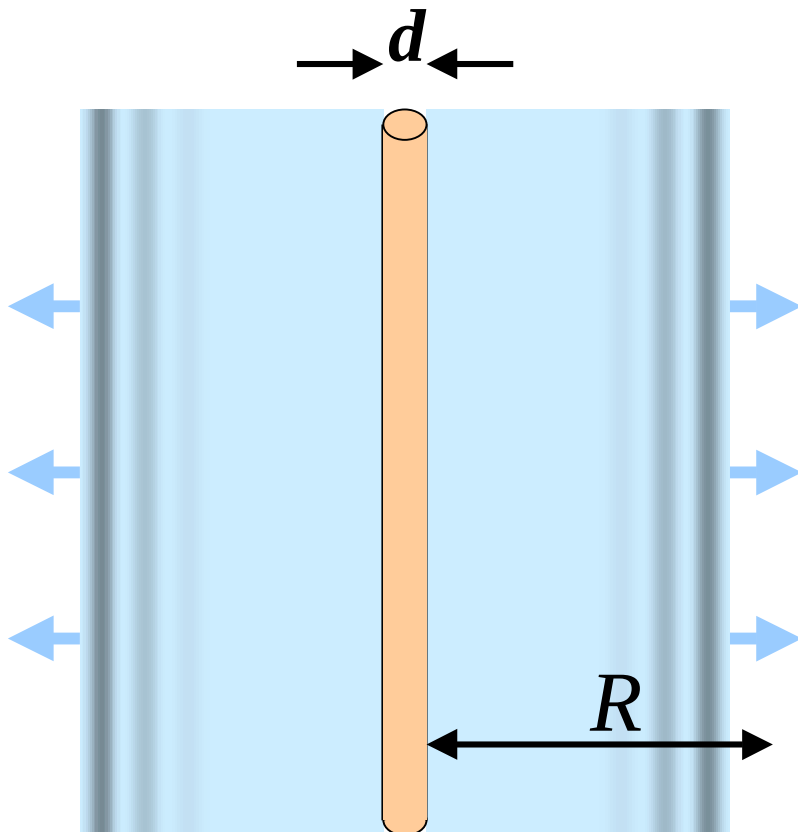
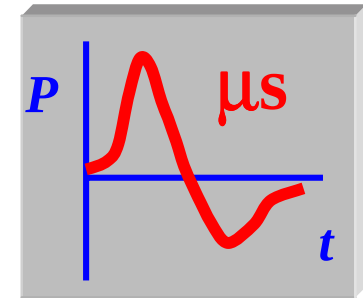
- **Longer deployment season**
- **More accessible locales**
- **Changeable detector geometry**
- **Longer scattering length**
- **More uniform medium**

Acoustic Detection

Particle cascade $\rightarrow$ ionization

$\rightarrow$ heat

$\rightarrow$ pressure wave



Maximum of emission at ~ 20 kHz

Attenuation length of sea water
at 15-30 kHz: **a few km**
(light: a few tens of meters)

? given a large initial signal,
huge detection volumes
can be achieved.

Threshold > 10 PeV

Renewed efforts along acoustic method for GZK neutrino detection

Greece: SADCO

Mediterranean, NESTOR site, 3 strings with hydrophones

Russia: AGAM antennas near Kamchatka:

existing sonar array for submarine detection

Russia: MG-10M antennas:

withdrawn sonar array for submarine detection

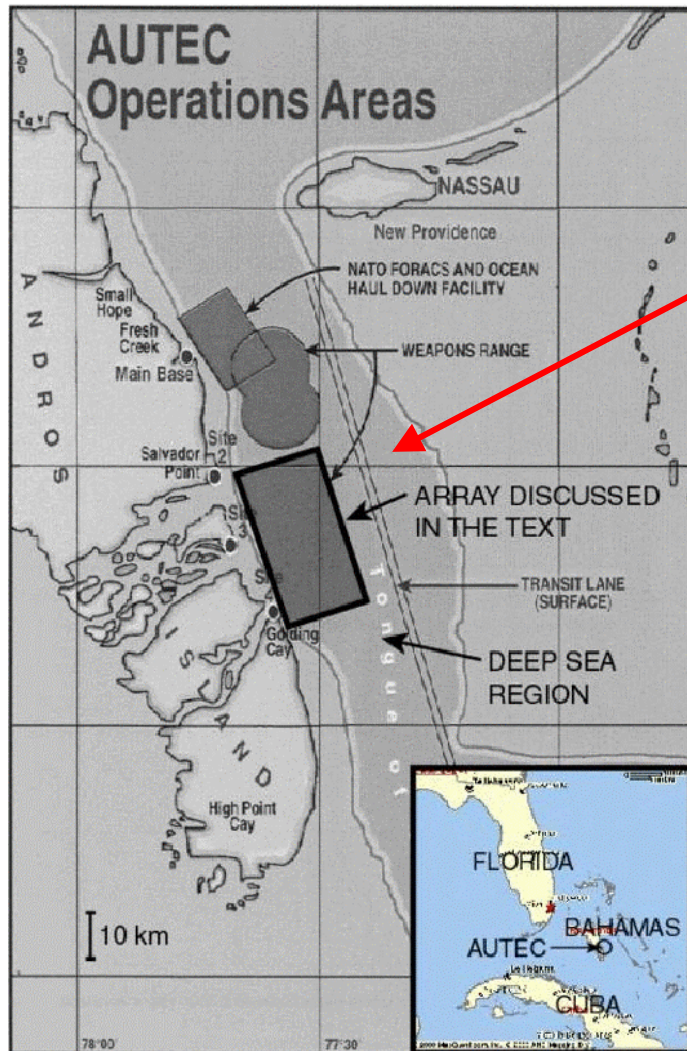
AUTEC: US Navy array in Atlantic:

existing sonar array for submarine detection

Antares: R&D for acoustic detection

IceCube: R&D for acoustic detection

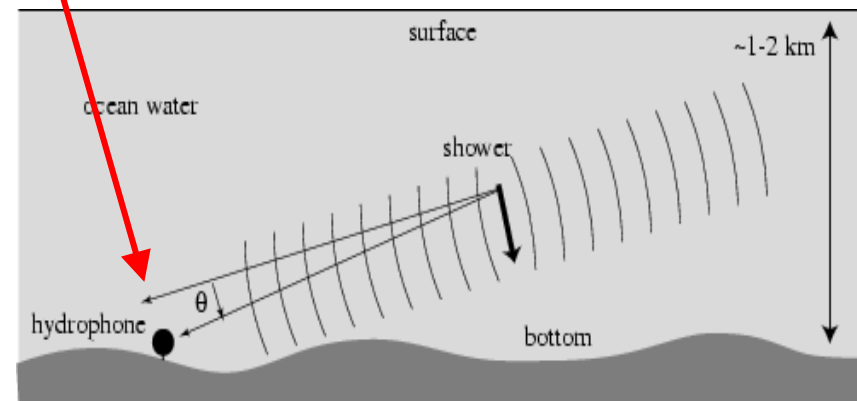
AUTEC array in Atlantic



Atlantic Undersea Test and Evaluation Center

52 sensors on 2.5 km lattice (250 km²)
4.5 m above surface

1-50 kHz !



AGAM and MG-10m antennas

AGAM: Existing sonar array for submarine detection

Shore of Kamchatka, 2400 hydrophones, $102 \text{ m} \times 17.3 \text{ m} \times 4.5 \text{ m}$

f a few hundred Hz

→ small signals

→ large attenuation length

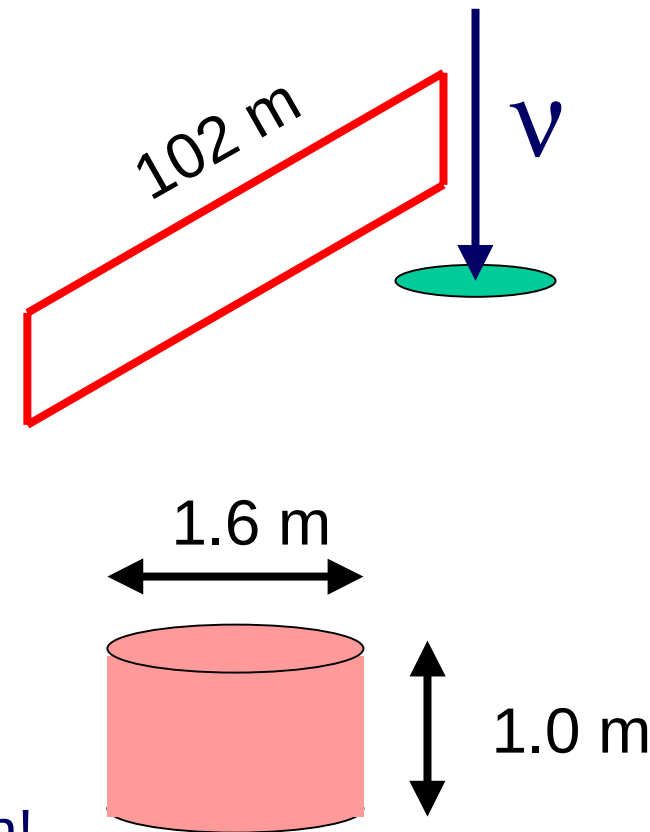
→ hundreds of km^3 above 10^{20} eV ?

First test measurements started !

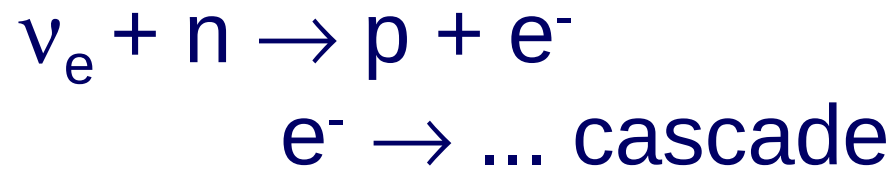
MG-10M: cyindric modules, each with 132 hydrophones.

Bandwidth up to 25 kHz

→ better suited for e.m. shower detection!

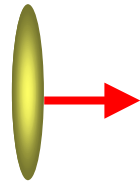


Radio Detection



negative charge is swept into
developing shower, which acquires
a negative net charge
 $Q_{\text{net}} \sim 0.25 E_{\text{cascade}} \text{ (GeV)}.$

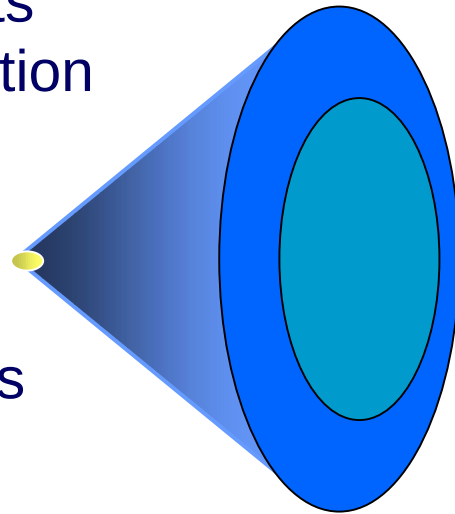
$\Rightarrow$ relativist. pancake
~ 1cm thick, $\varnothing \sim 10\text{cm}$



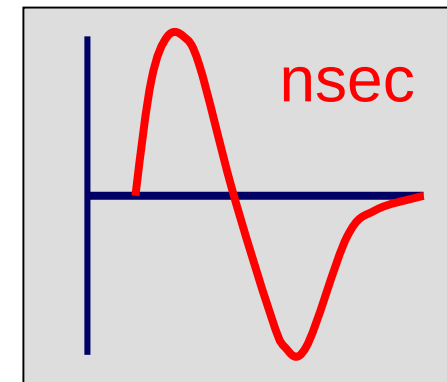
$\Rightarrow$ for $\lambda \gg 10 \text{ cm (radio)}$
coherence

$\Rightarrow$ each particle emits
Cherenkov radiation

$\Rightarrow$ C signal is
resultant of
overlapping
Cherenkov cones

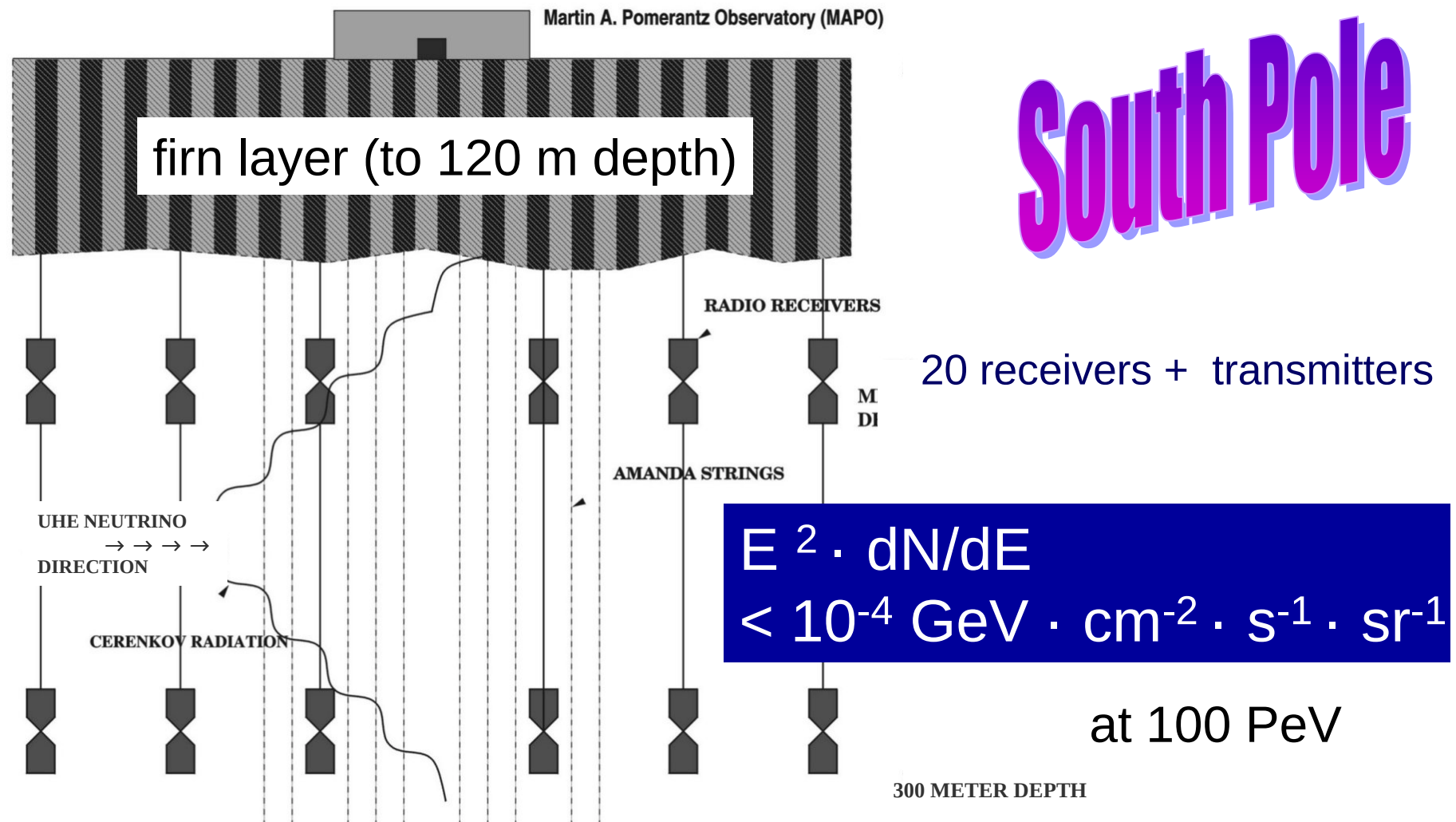


$\Rightarrow$ **C-signal $\sim E^2$**



Threshold $> 10 \text{ PeV}$

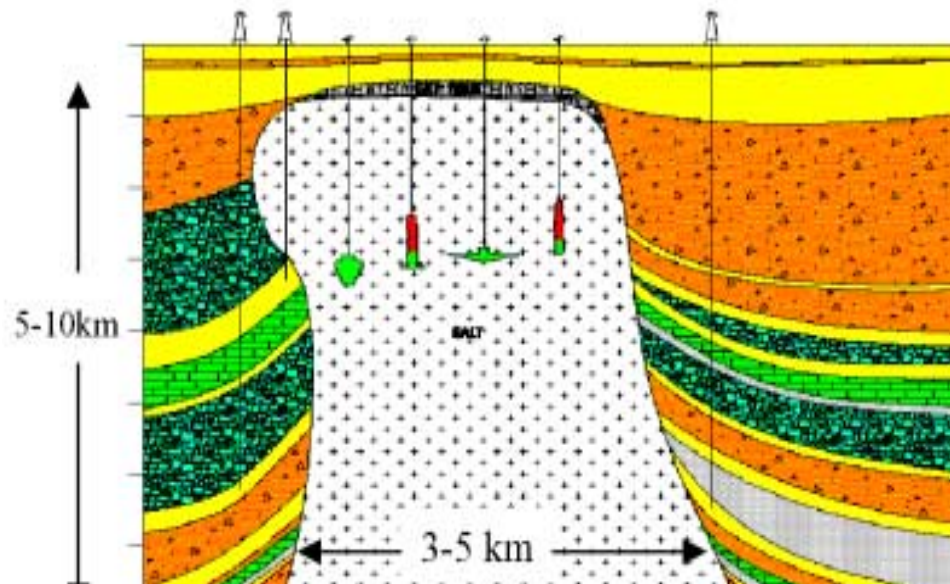
RICE Radio Ice Cherenkov Experiment





Natural Salt Domes: Potential PeV-EeV Neutrino Detectors

- Natural salt can be extremely low RF loss:
~ as clear as very cold ice, 2.4 times as dense
- Typical salt dome halite is comparable to ice at -40C for RF clarity



SalSA

Salt Dome

Shower

Array

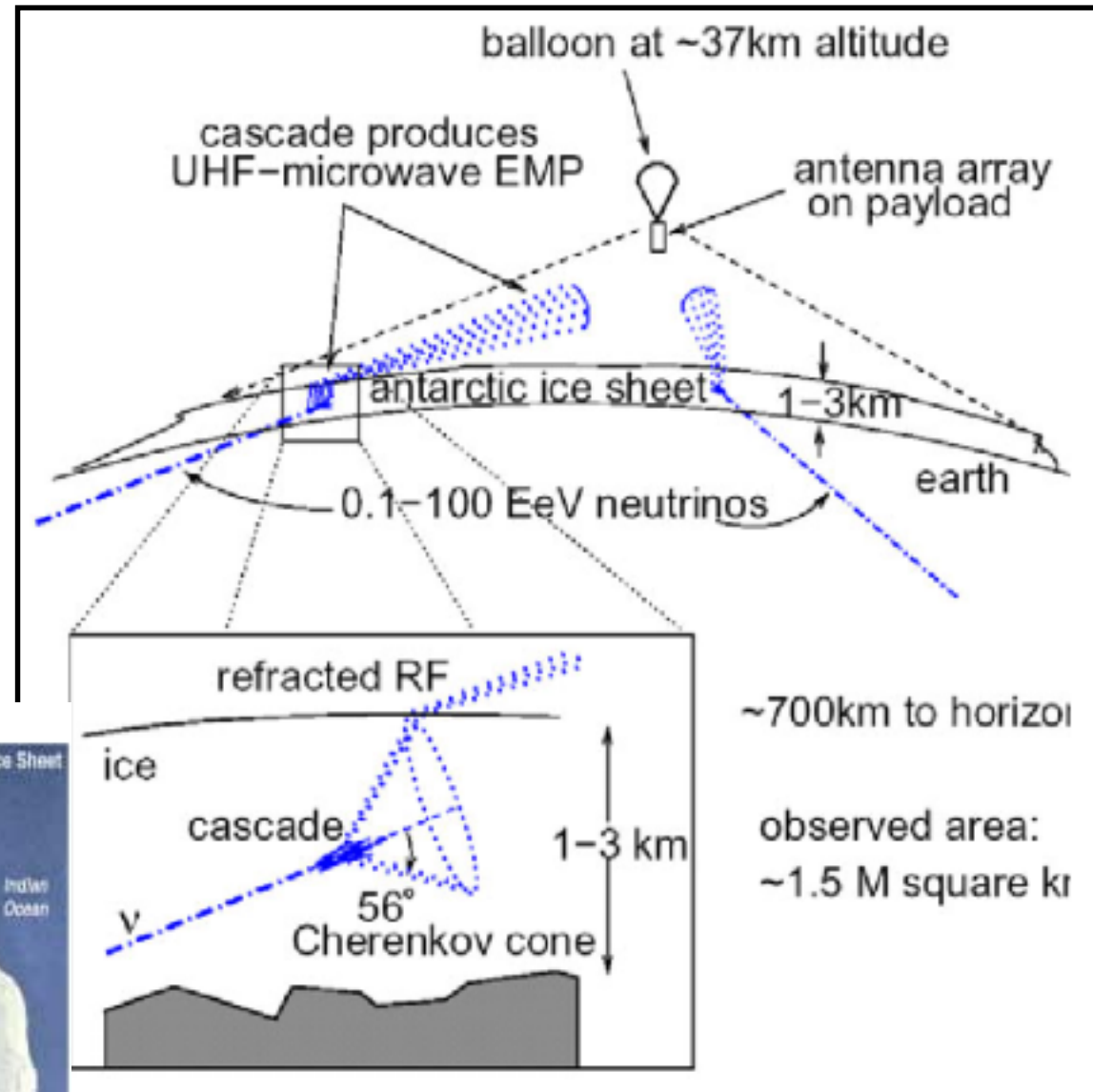
ANITA

Antarctic

Impulsive

Transient

Array

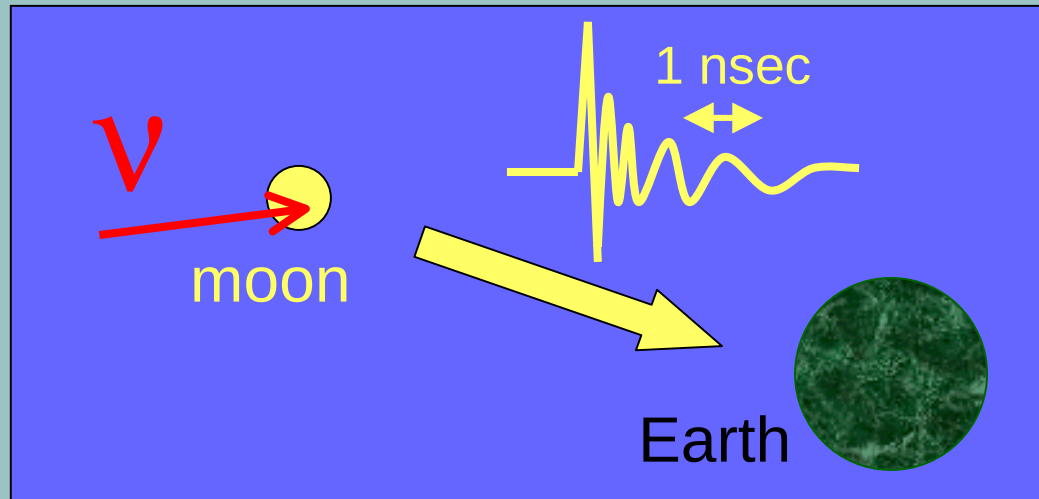


Flight in 2006

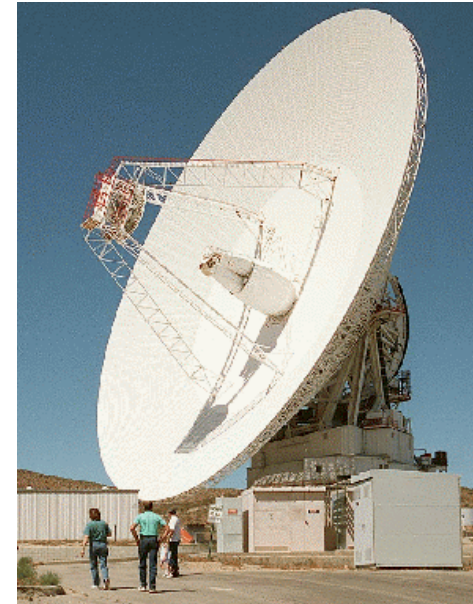
GLUE Goldstone Lunar Ultra-high Energy Neutrino Experiment

Lunar Radio Emissions from Interactions of ν and CR with $> 10^{19}$ eV

Gorham et al. (1999), 30 hr NASA Goldstone 70 m antenna + DSS 34 m antenna



$$\rightarrow E^2 \cdot dN/dE < 10^{-4} \text{ GeV} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1} \\ \text{at } 10^{20} \text{ eV}$$



Effective target volume
 $\sim$ antenna beam (0.3°)
 $\times 10 \text{ m layer}$

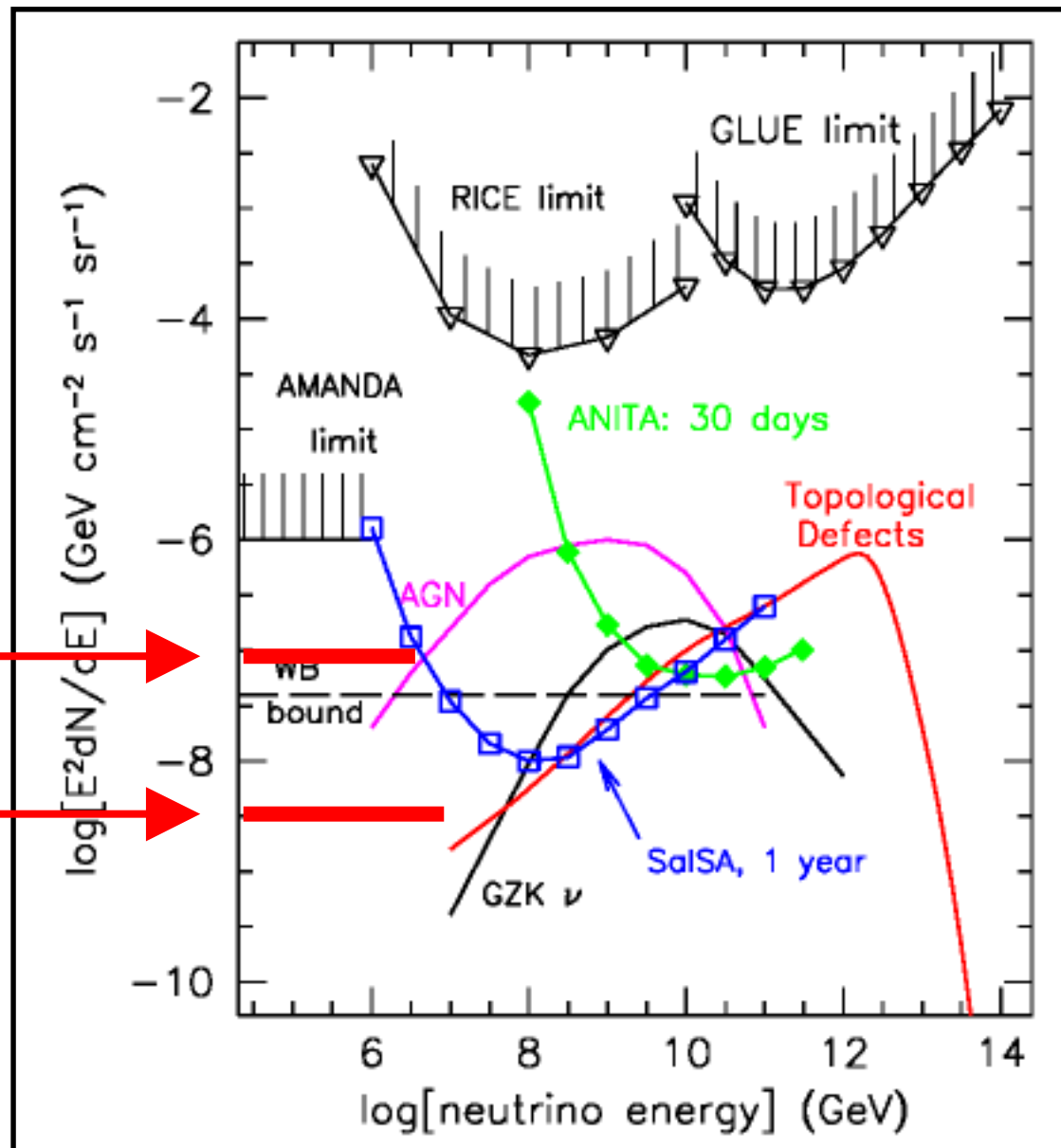
$$\rightarrow 10^5 \text{ km}^3$$

Measured & Predicted Radio Limits

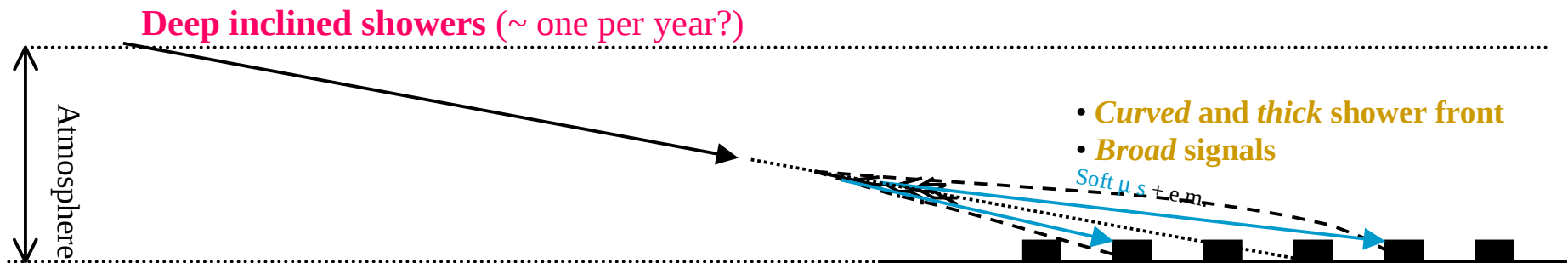
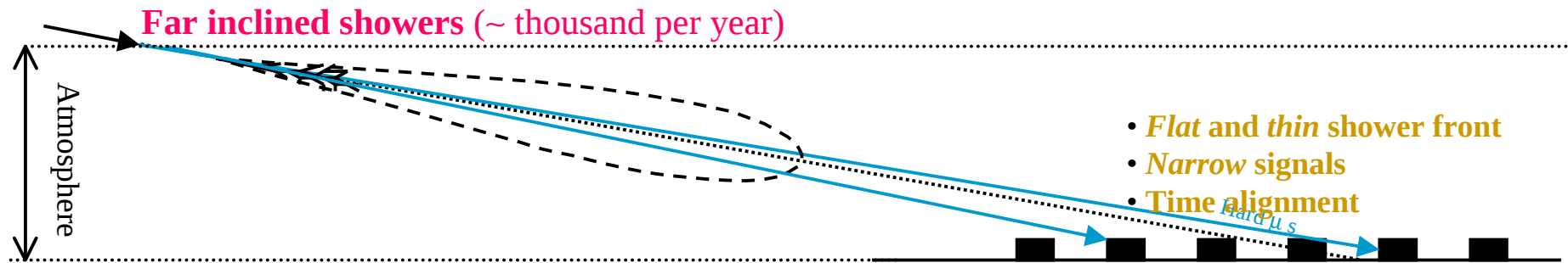
- Radio is competitive with optical km3 arrays for $E > 10$ PeV
- Required detection times are small, a benefit of the enormous volumes radio detectors can view
- But: background ??

AMANDA-II 3 years expected

km3 , 3 years expected

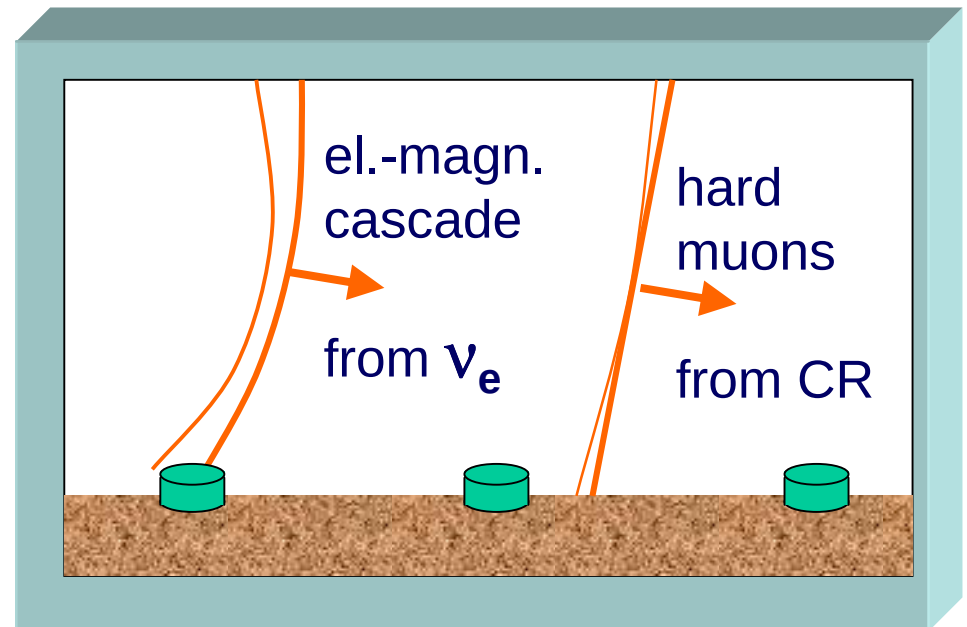


Detection of neutrino induced air showers

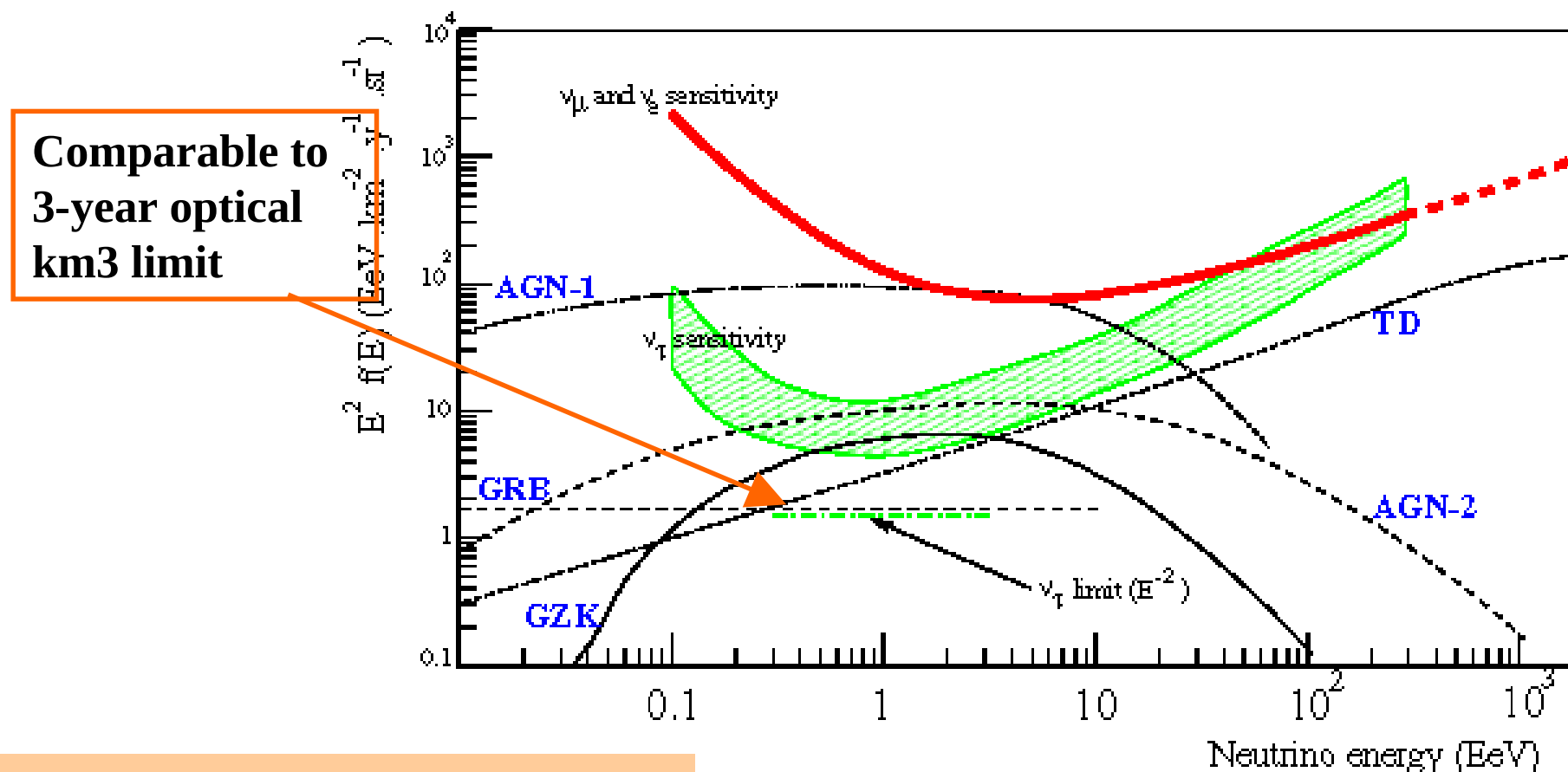


AGASA 2001:

$$< 10^{-5} \text{ GeV} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1} \\ \text{for } E > 10 \text{ EeV}$$



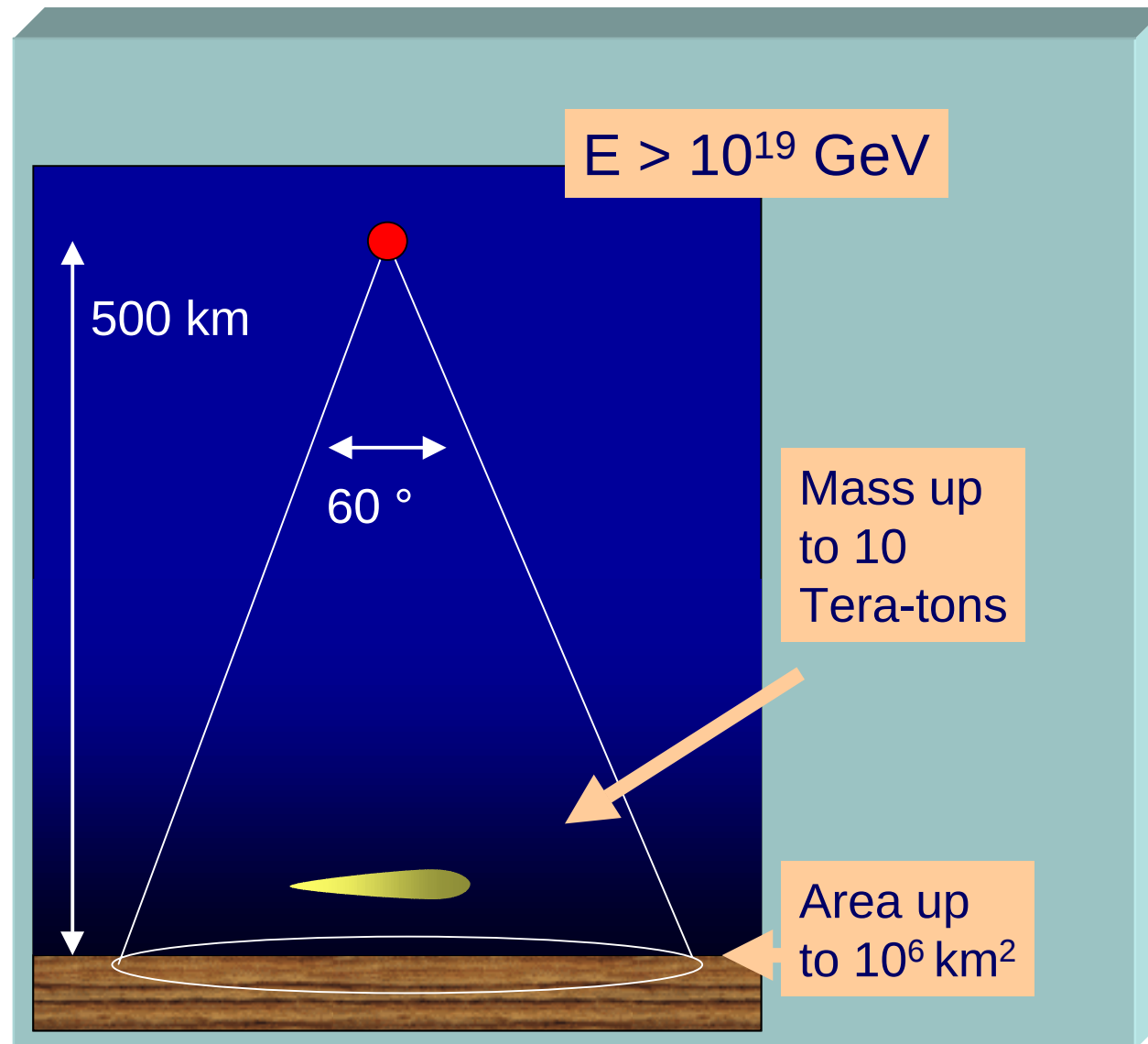
Predicted Auger Sensivities



Mass for ν_μ and ν_e
 ~ 15 Gigatons
 sensitivity $\approx$
 $3 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ GeV} \cdot \text{cm}^{-2} \cdot \text{s}^{-1} \cdot \text{sr}^{-1}$

Skimming ν_τ
 high acceptance at $\sim \text{EeV}$!

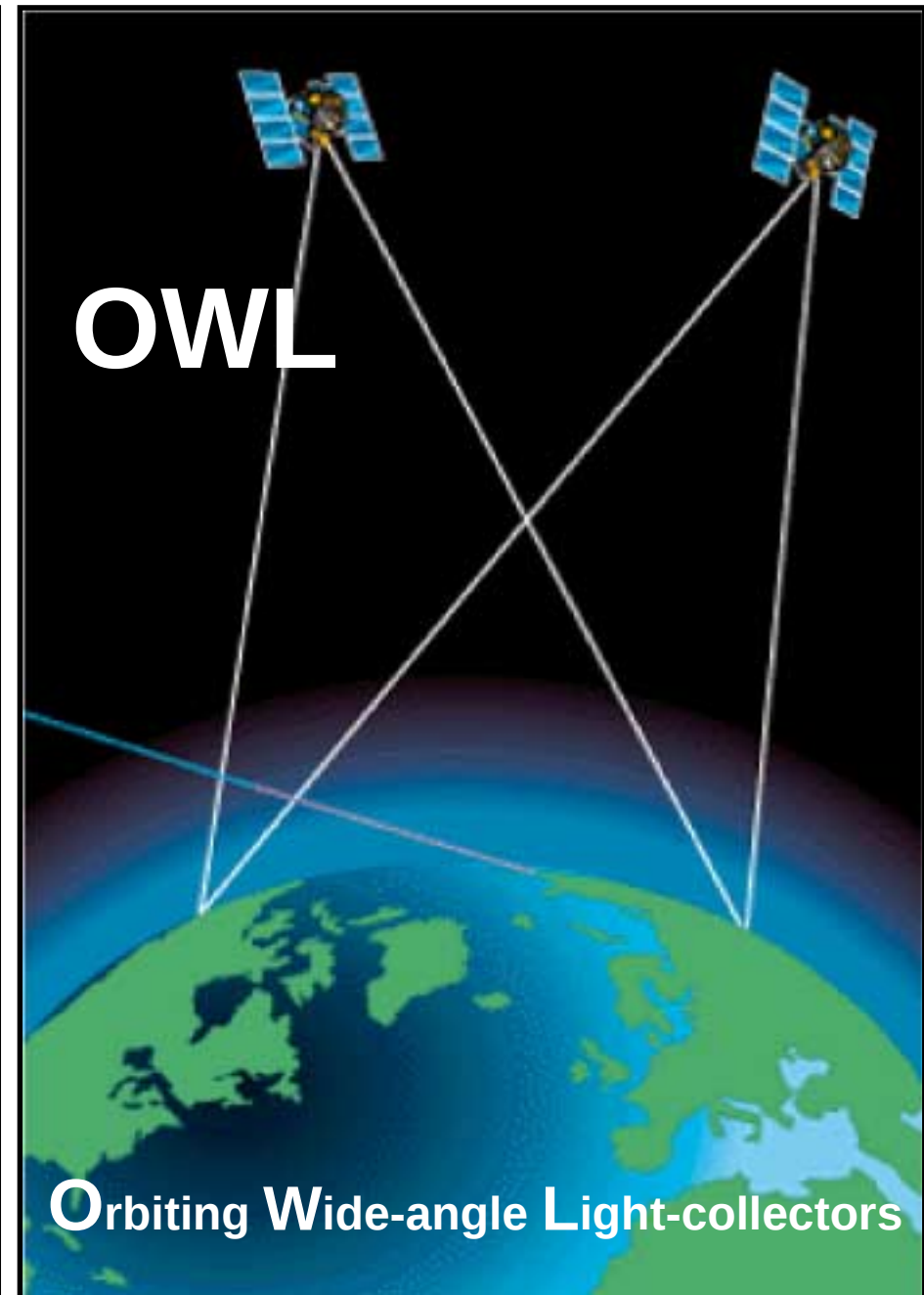
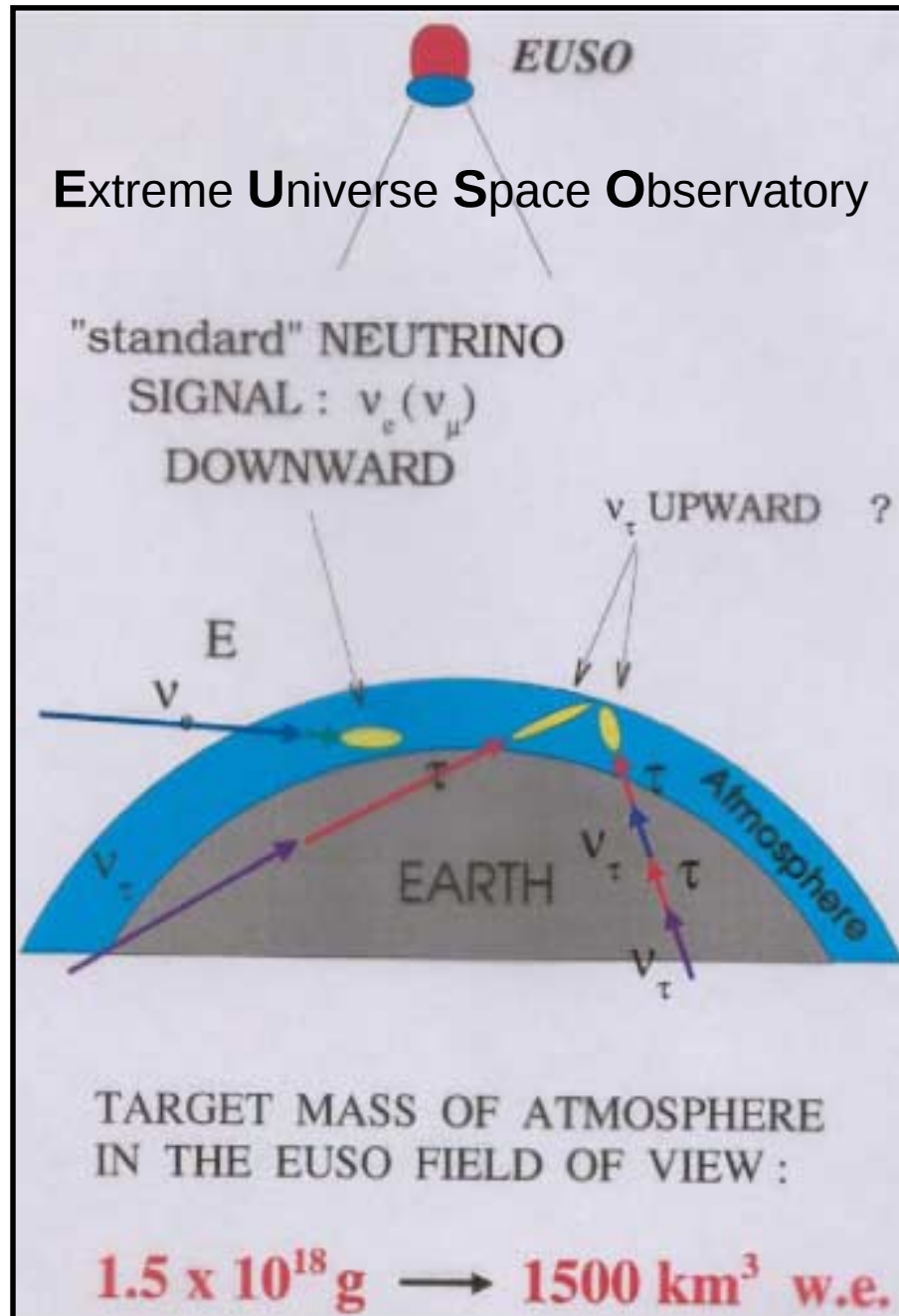
Horizontal Air Showers seen by Satellite



Horizontal
air shower
initiated deep
in atmosphere

1 - 20 GZK ev./y

5 - 50 TD ev./y



OWL Preliminary Electron Neutrino Event Rates

640 km Orbits, 10% Duty Cycle, 2.5 m Optical Aperture

Interaction	2 Satellites	Stereo	Stereo
	Independently	500 km Sat.	2000 km Sat. Sep.
	‘Looking Down’	Sep.	
$p\gamma_{2.7K}$ (1)	16 Events/Year	5 Events/Year	1 Events/Year
Topological Defects (2)	46 Events/Year	17 Events/Year	13 Events/Year
Z_{Burst} (3)	20 Events/Year	9 Events/Year	20 Events/Year
$E_{Threshold}$	10^{19} eV	2×10^{19} eV	10^{20} eV
No. of Satellites			
Viewing Event	1	2	2

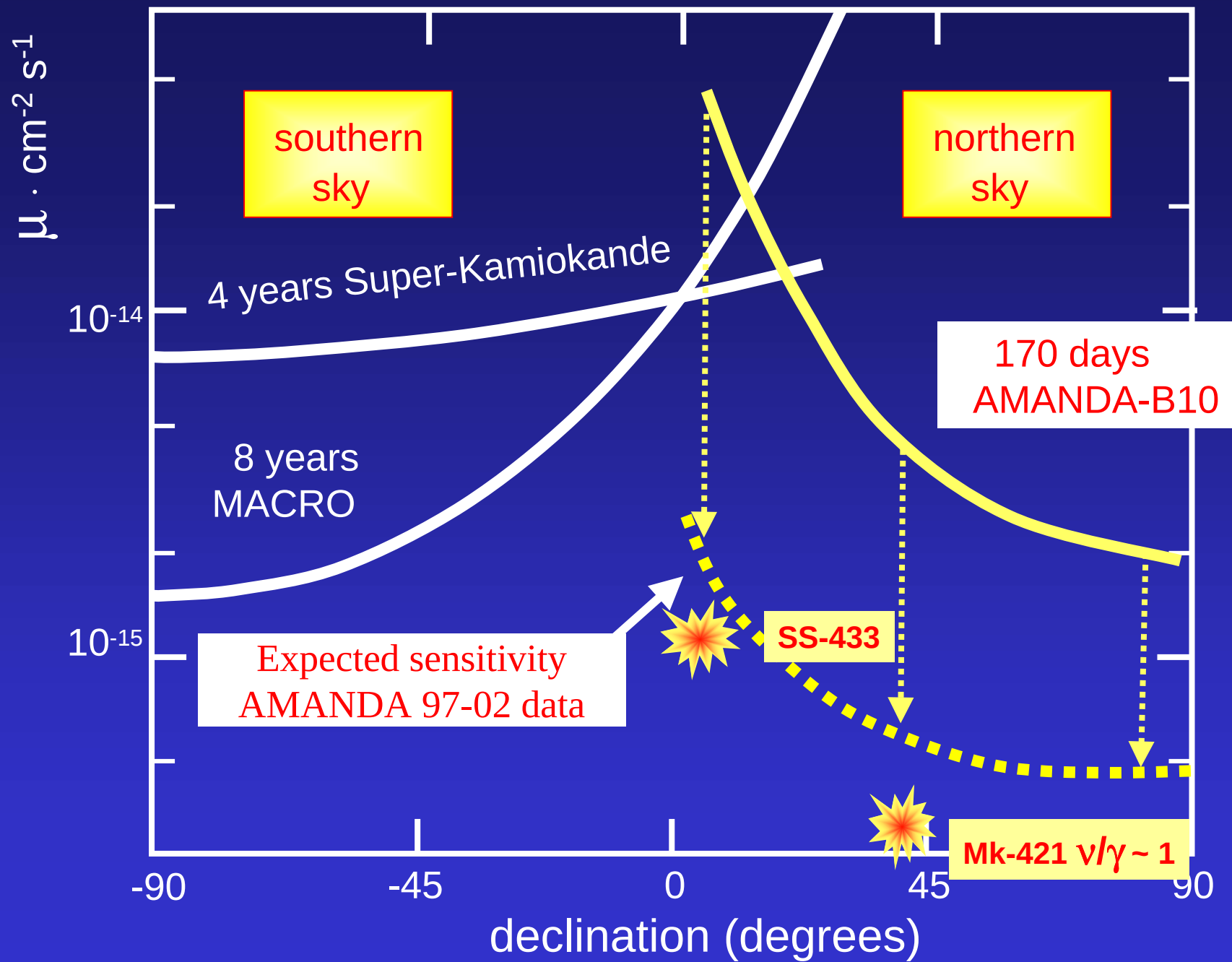
1 Stecker, Done, Salamon, & Sommers, PRL 66 (1991)
 2 Sigl, Lee, Bhattacharjee, & Yoshida, Phys Rev D 59 (1998),
 $m_X = 10^{16}$ GeV, $X \rightarrow q + q$, SuperSymmetric fragmentation
 3 Yoshida, Sigl, & Lee, PRL 81 (1998), $m_\nu = 1$ eV, Primary $\Phi_\nu \sim E^{-1}$

3. Physics from

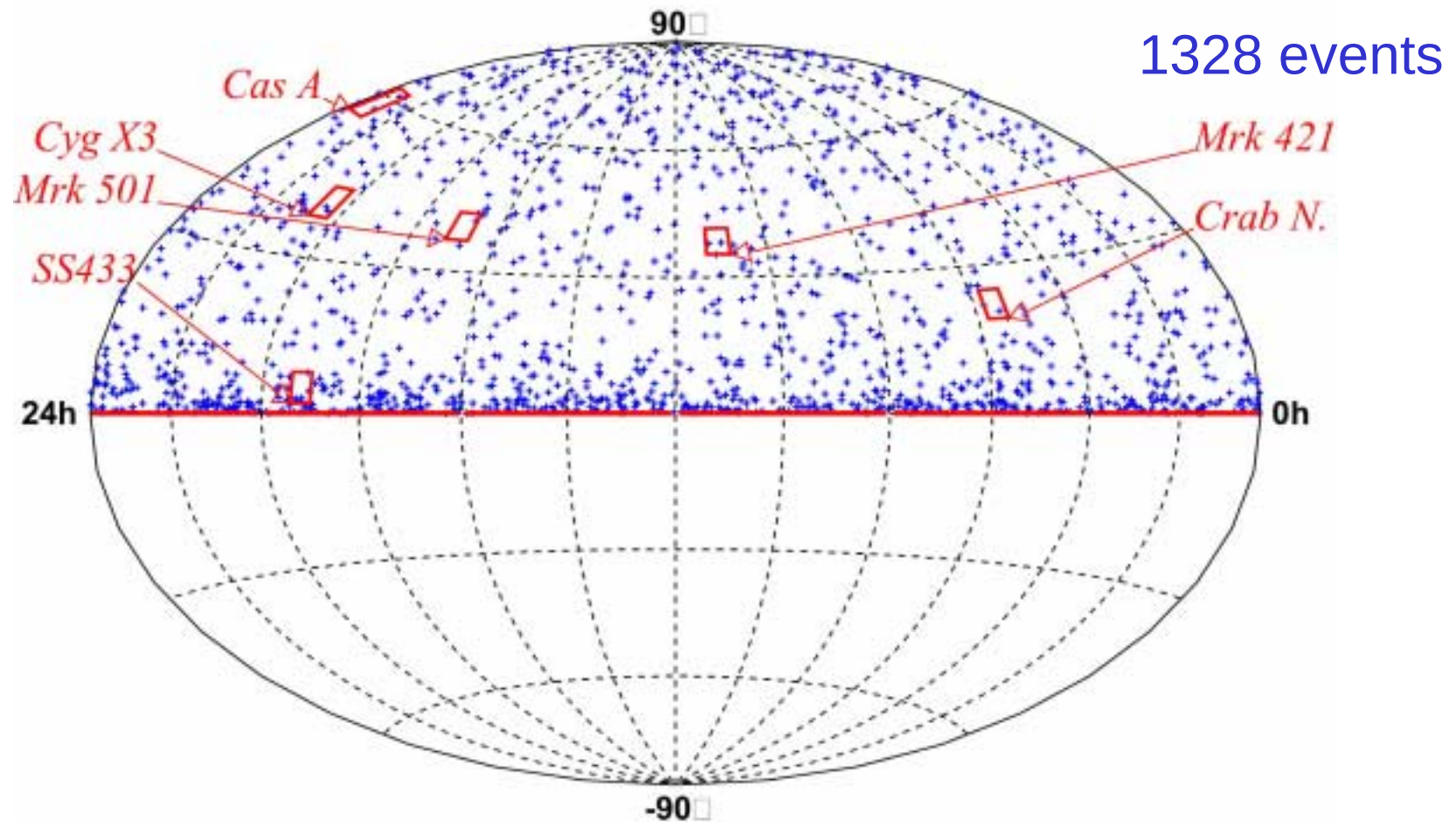
AMANDA

and

BAIKAL



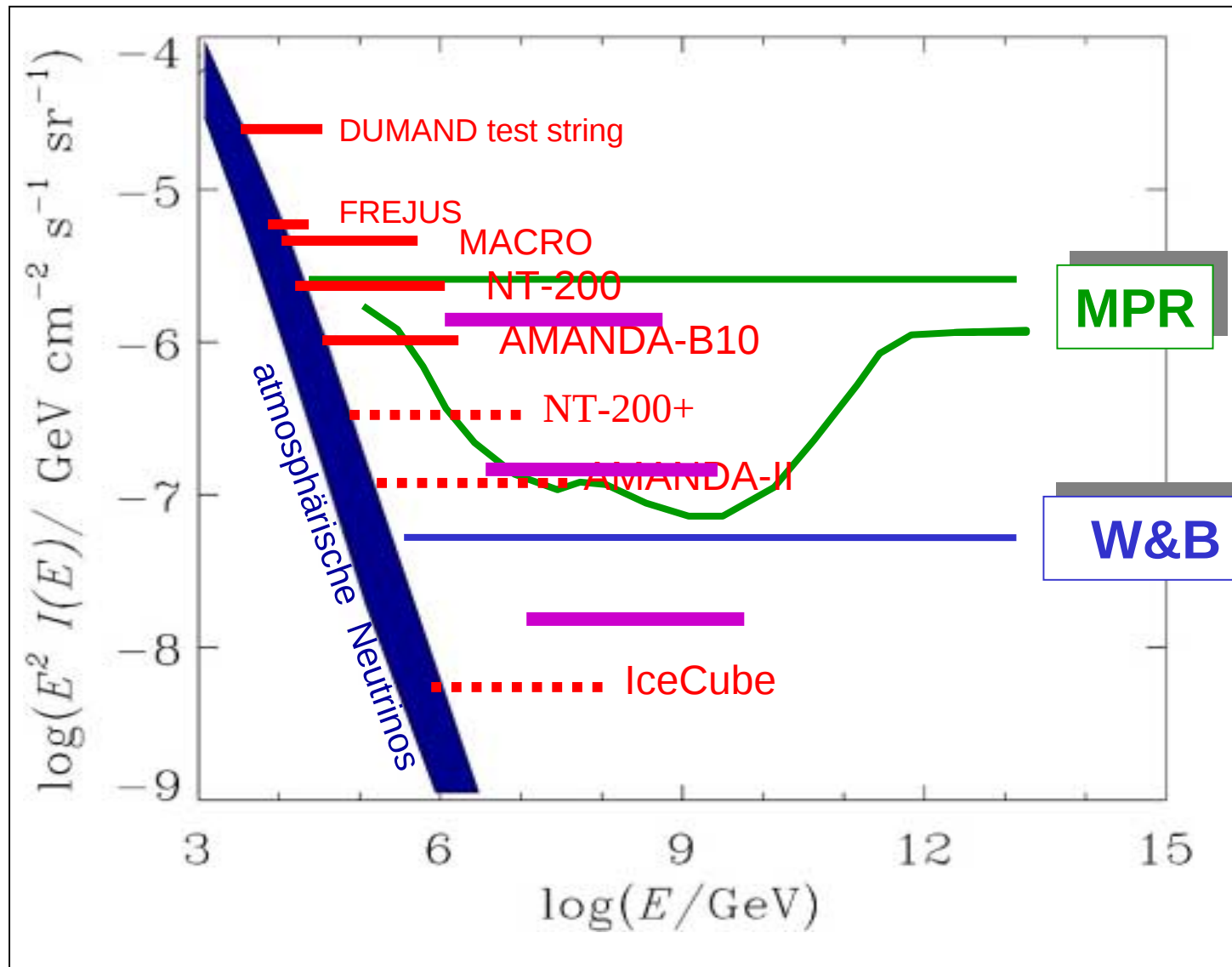
Point Sources Amanda II (2000)



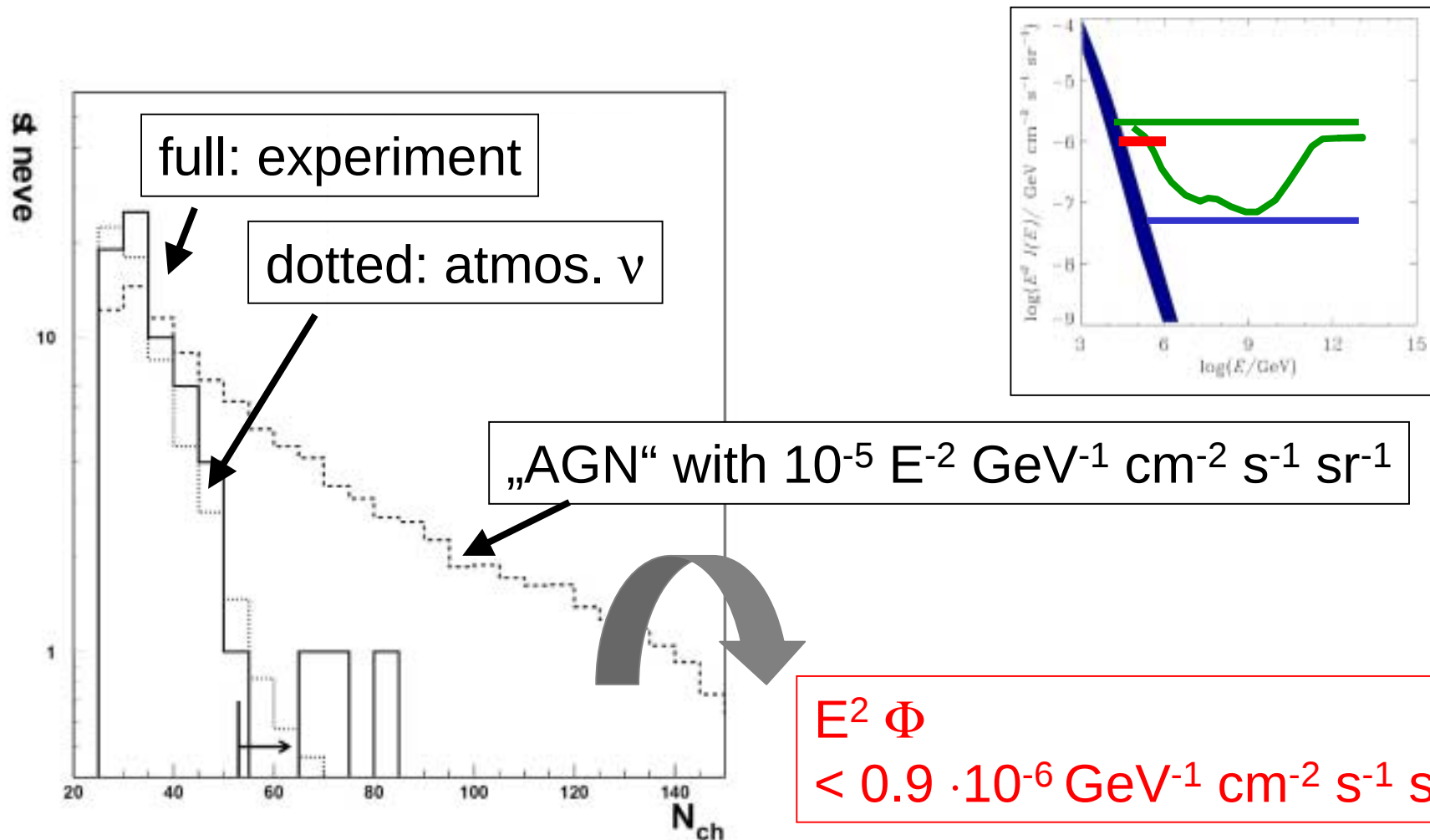
Preliminary limits (in units of 10^{-15} muons $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$):

Cas A: 0.6 Mk421: 1.4 Mk501: 0.8 Crab: 6.8 SS433: 10.5

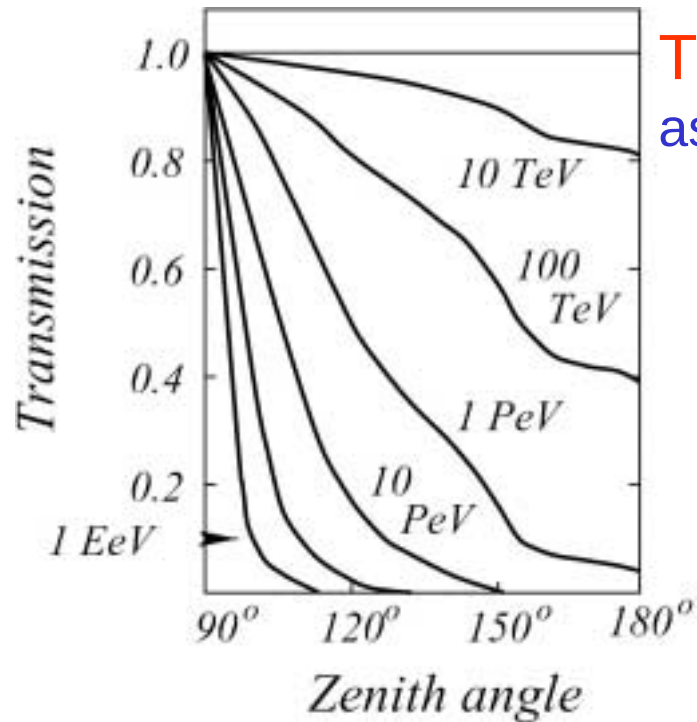
Diffuse fluxes: theoretical bounds and experimental limits



Amanda 97: Upper limit on the diffuse flux of h.e. upward muon neutrinos



EeV neutrinos underwater

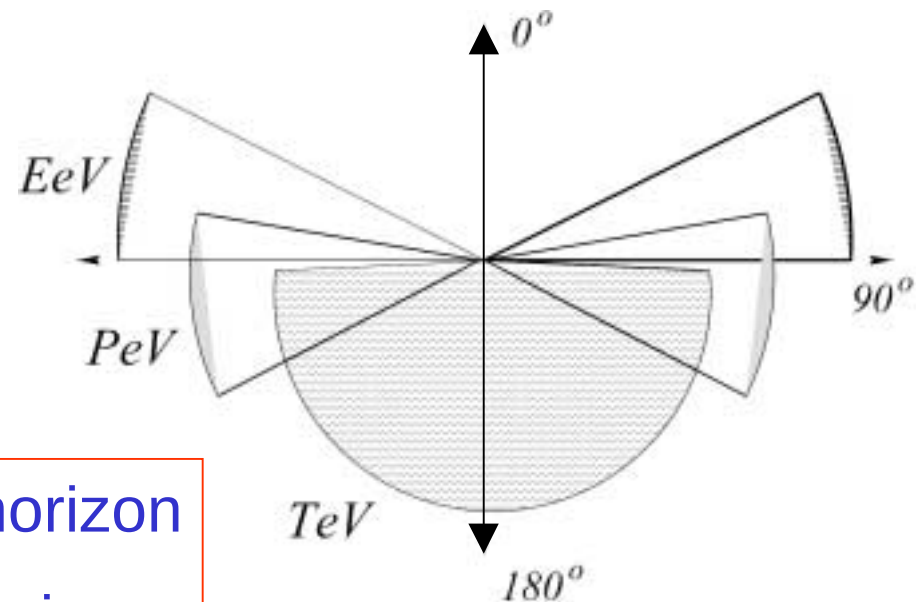


Transmission of Earth for Neutrinos
as a function of zenith angle and energy

→ *Earth opaque above a few PeV*

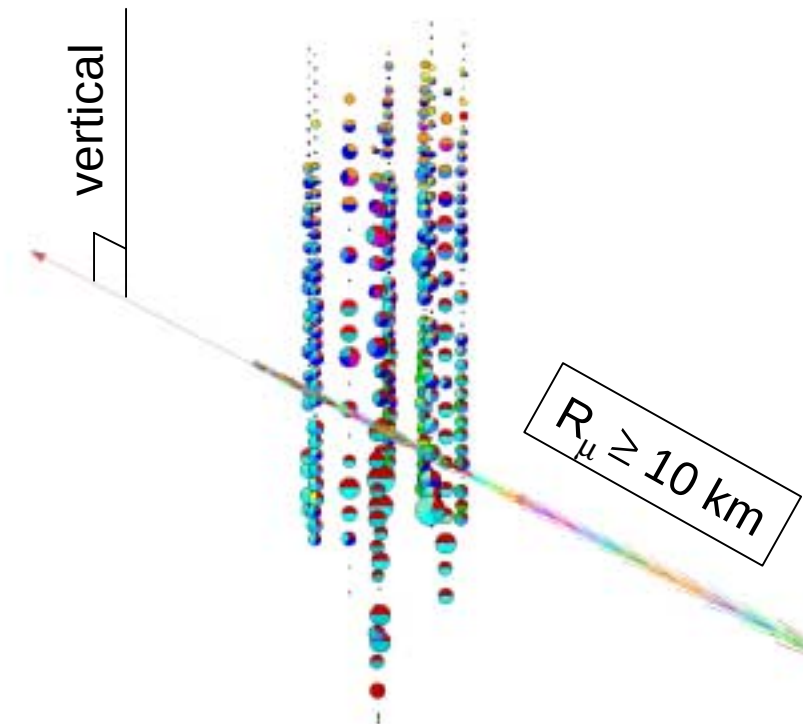
Downward-background at
high energies is small.

PeV acceptance **around** horizon
EeV acceptance **above** horizon

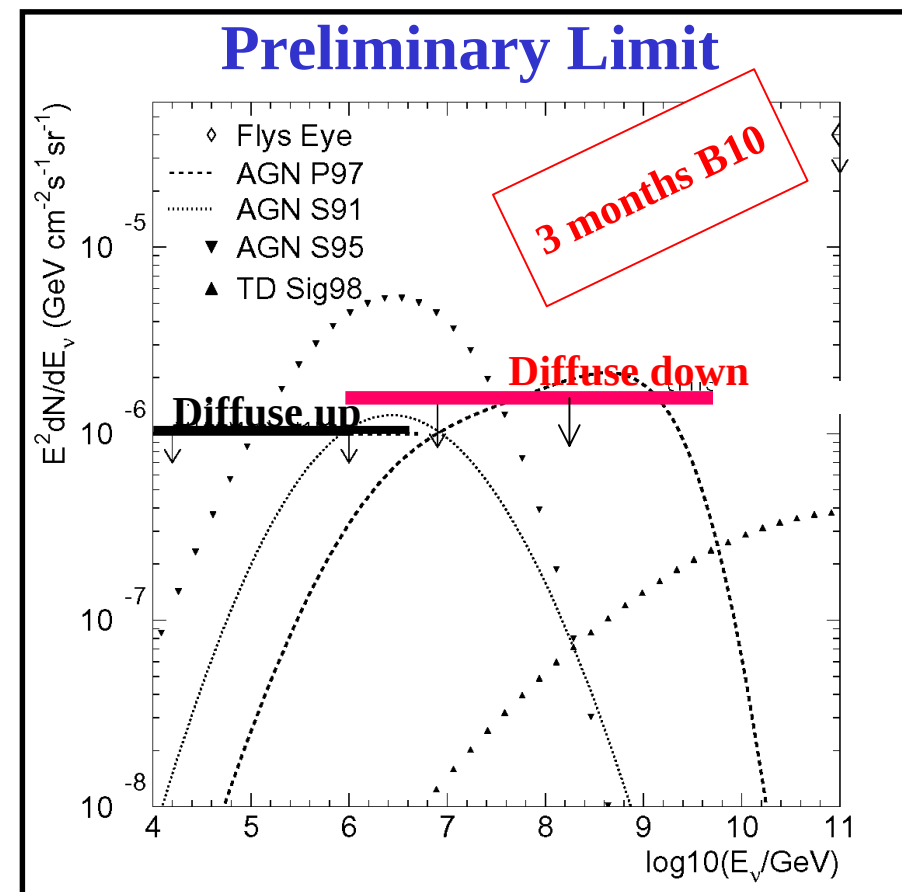


AMANDA 97 : EHE ($E \geq 10^{16}$ eV) Search

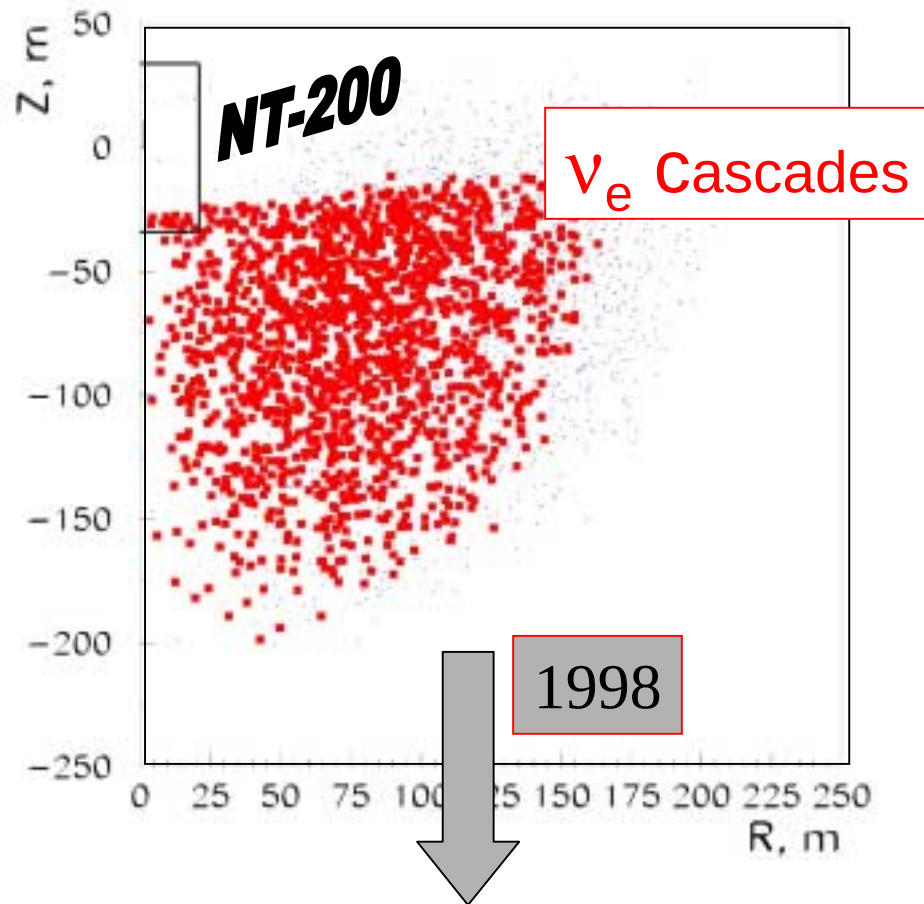
EHE events very bright; many PMTs detect multiple photons



- Main background: muon “bundles”
- Comparable N_{PMT} but smaller amplitudes



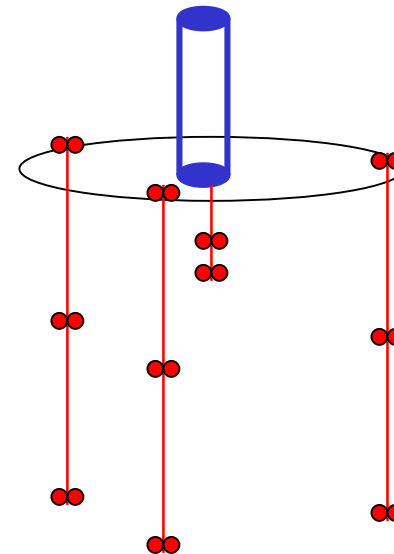
... and Baikal



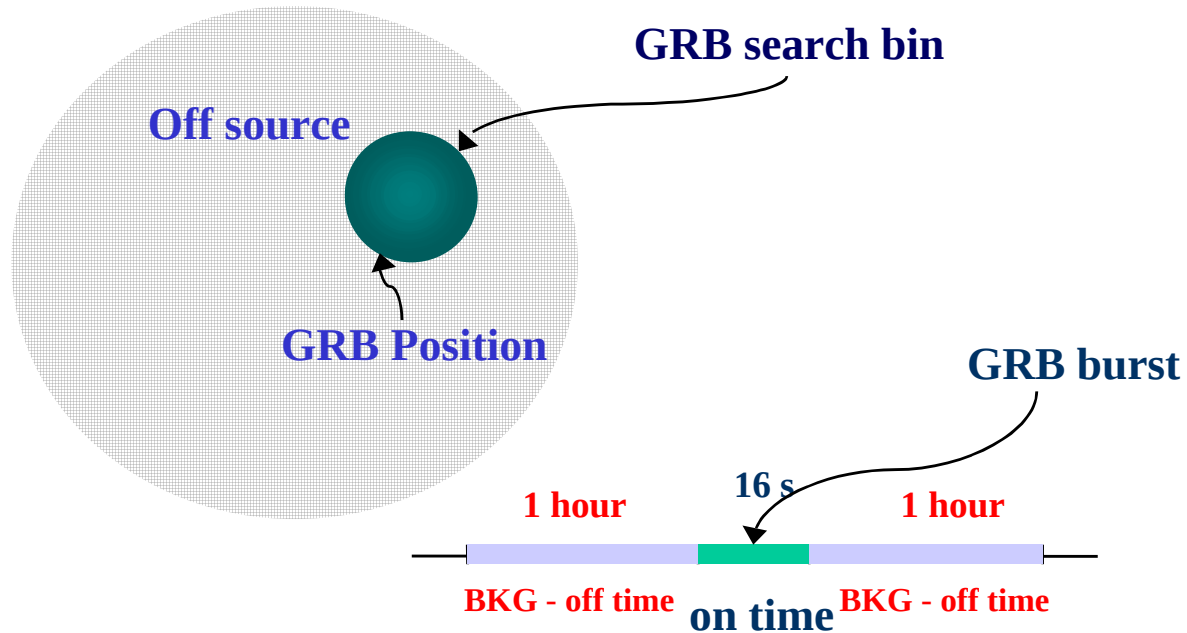
$$\Phi \cdot E^2 < 1.9 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ GeV}$$

NT-200+

Upgrade with only 22 PMTs
→ factor 4 in sensitivity

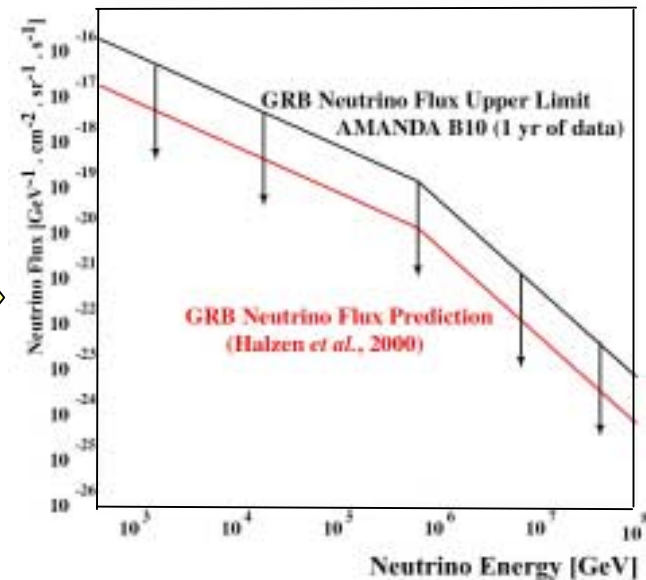
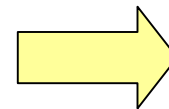
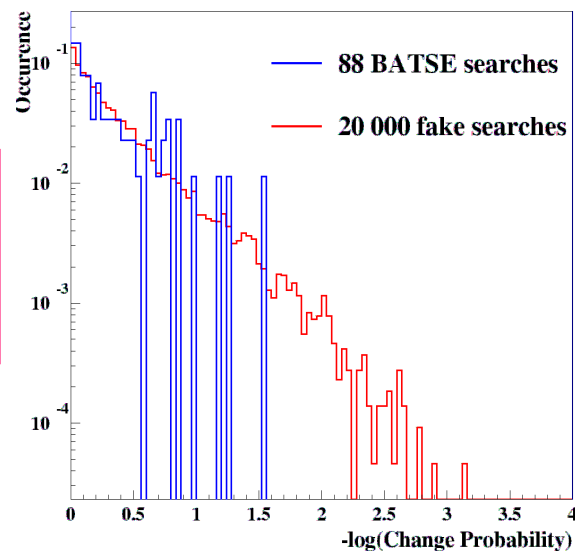


AMANDA: Correlations to GRB



Background cuts can be loosened considerably
→ high signal efficiency

78
BATSE bursts
in 1997



EM & Hadronic Showers: “Cascades”

- Motivations for searching for cascades:

- oscillations: $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_{e,\tau}$
- better E_ν measurement
- less cosmic-ray background
- contained events give sensitivity over 4π
- easier to calibrate
- Glashow resonance
- at $E > 100$ TeV, only ν_τ can penetrate the Earth

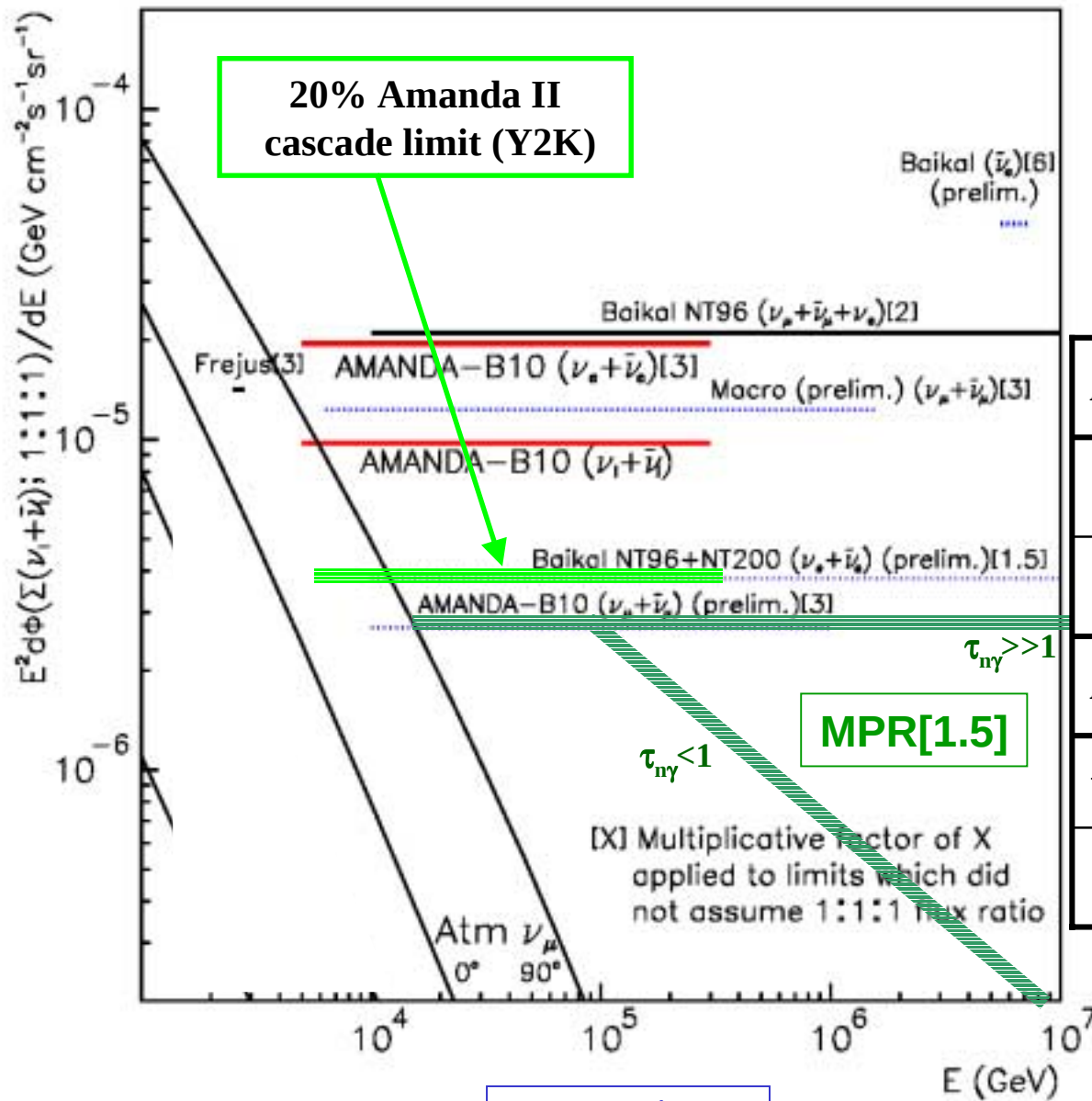
- Drawbacks:

- effective volume smaller than for ν_μ
- angular resolution worse than for tracks

Analysis gets easier and more competitive with muons as detector grows in size.

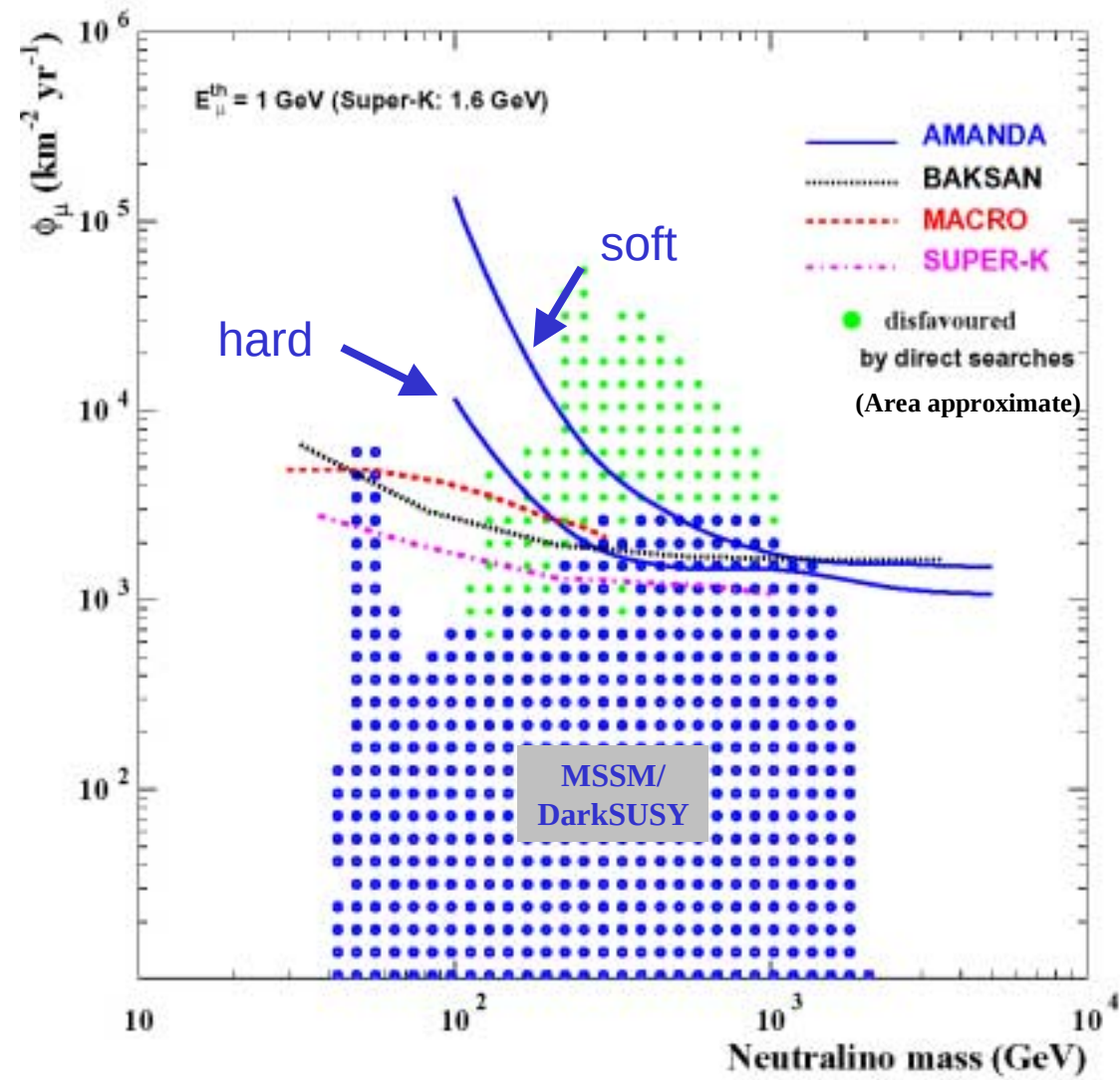
Amanda-B $\rightarrow$ Amanda-II

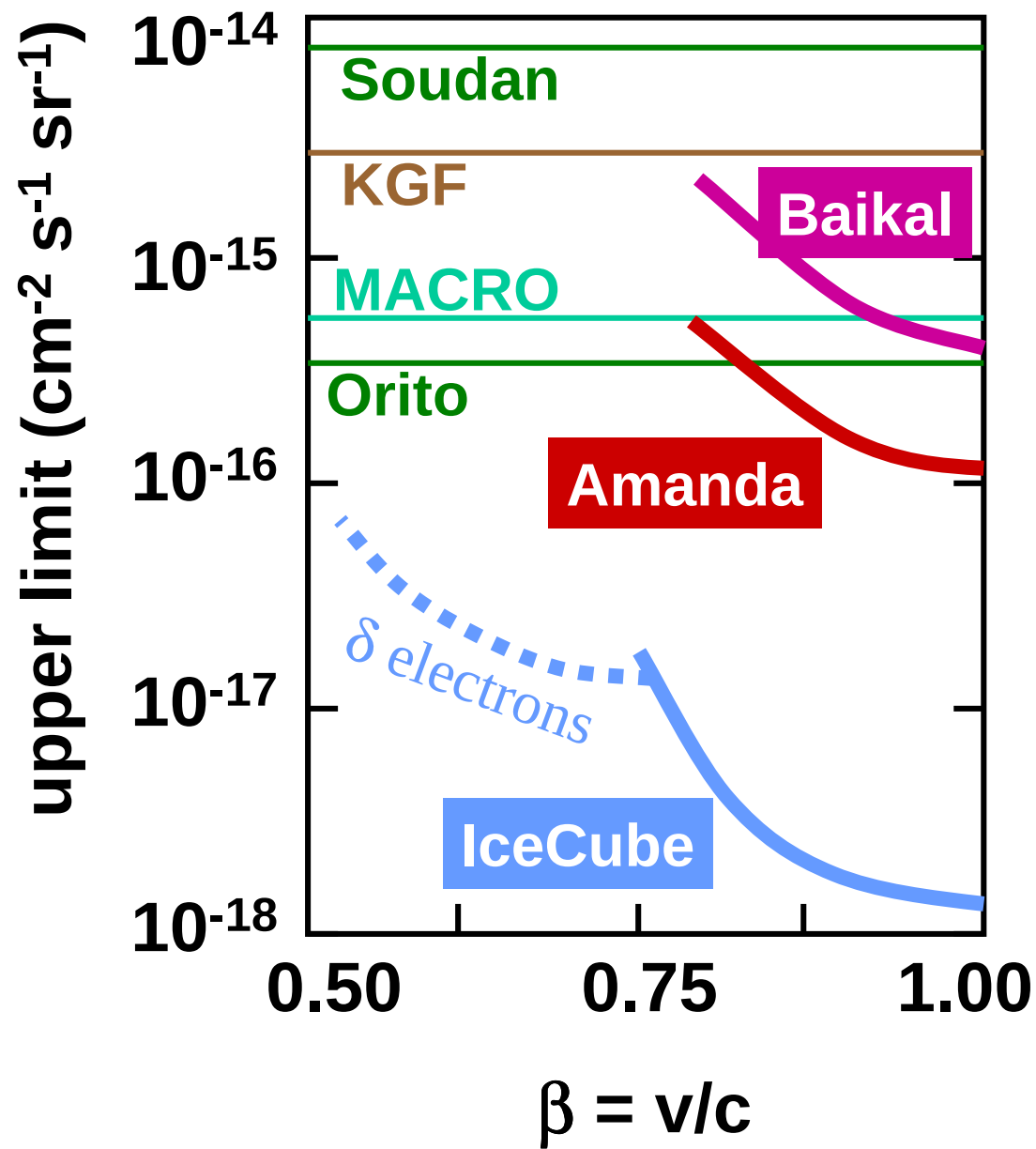
Cascade limits



Astrophysical ν 's	<i>Predicted events</i> in 100% of 2000 data
$\Phi_{\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e} = 10^{-6} E^{-2} \text{ GeV cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	5.5
$\Phi_{\nu_\tau + \bar{\nu}_\tau} = 10^{-6} E^{-2} \text{ GeV cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	3.2
Atmospheric ν 's	<i>Predicted events</i> in 100% of 2000 data
ν_e (CC), $\nu_e + \nu_\mu$ (NC)	0.15
Prompt charm (RQPM)	0.50

WIMP Search





Relativistic Magnetic Monopoles

C - light output $\propto$
 $n^2 \cdot (g/e)^2$

$n = 1.33$

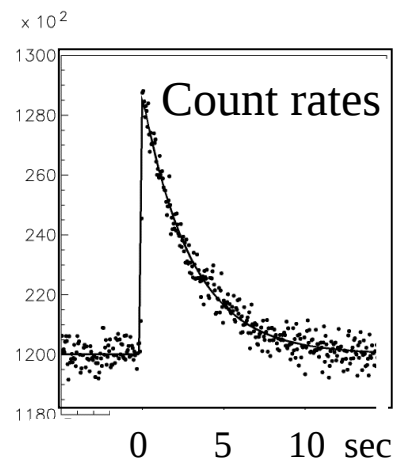
$(g/e) = 137/2$

≈ 8300

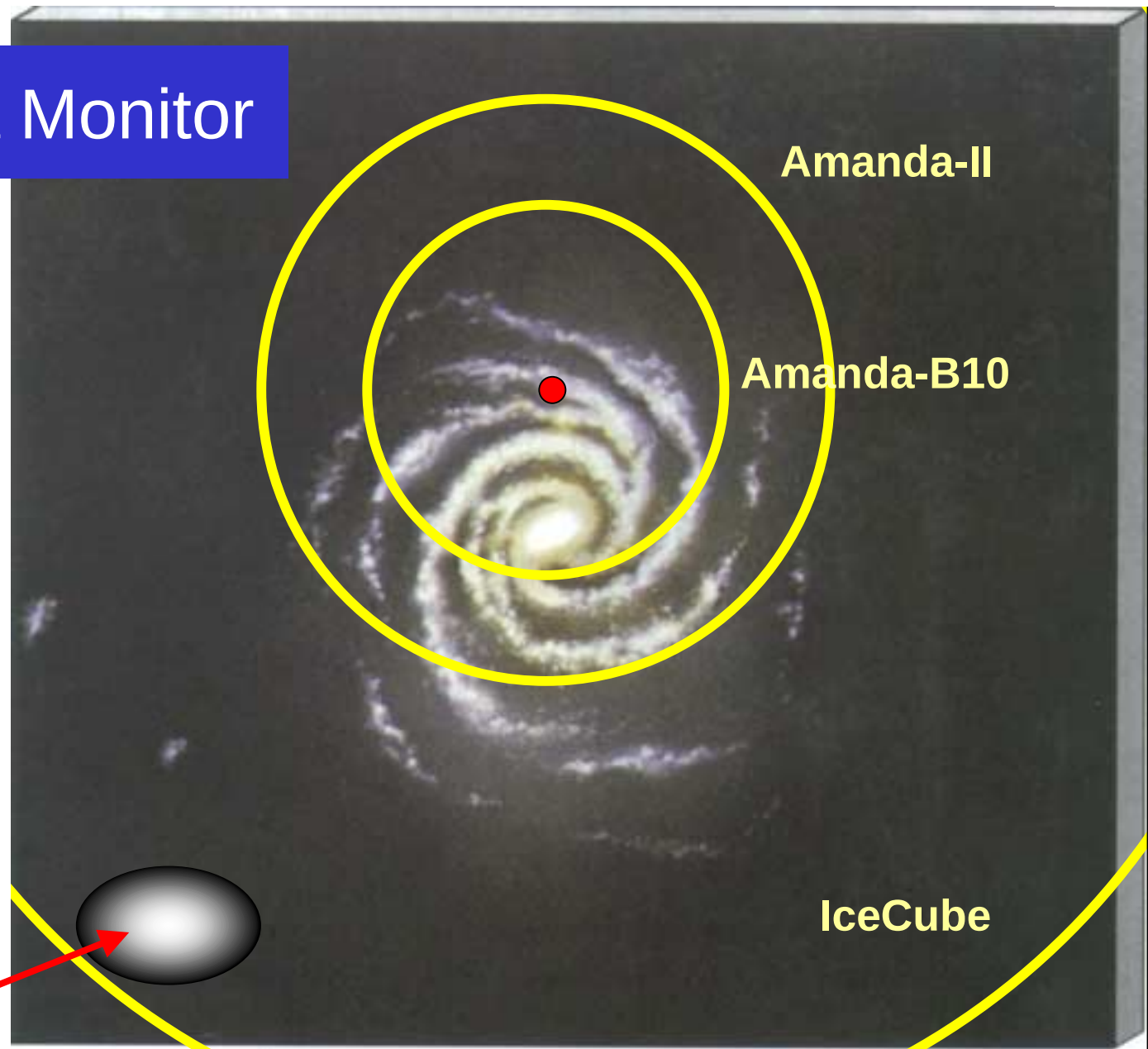
Supernova Monitor

B10:
60% of Galaxy

A-II:
95% of Galaxy



IceCube:
up to LMC

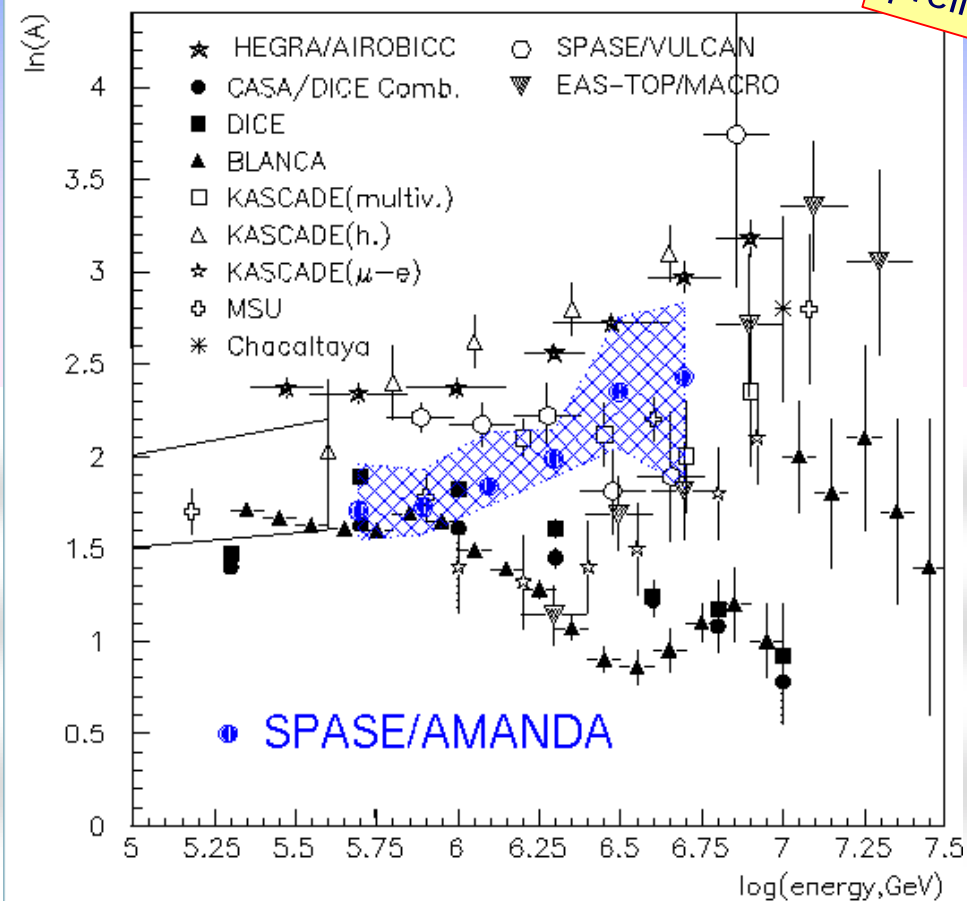


Bonus Physics: Cosmic ray composition

SPASE air shower arrays

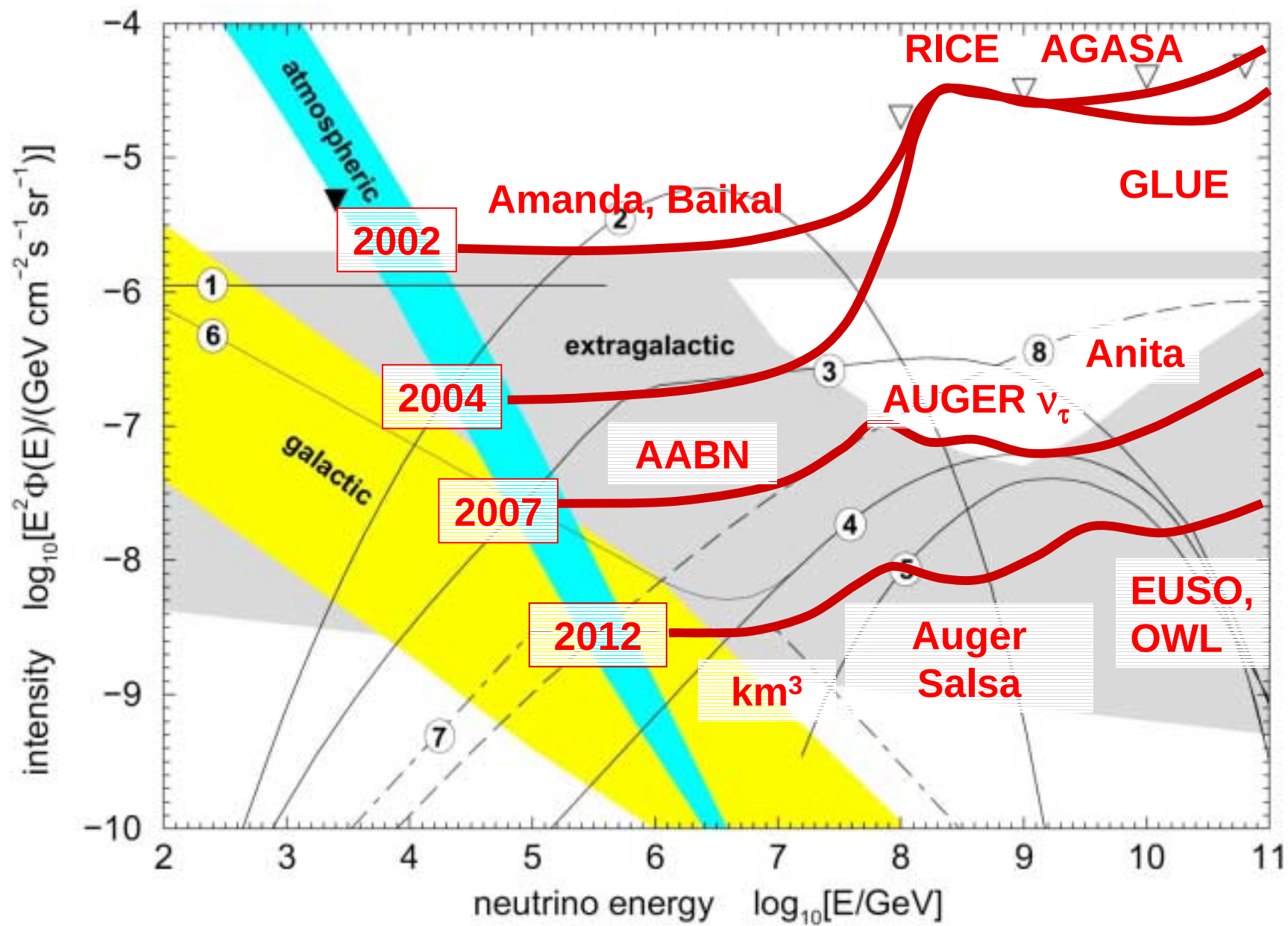
1 km

2 km



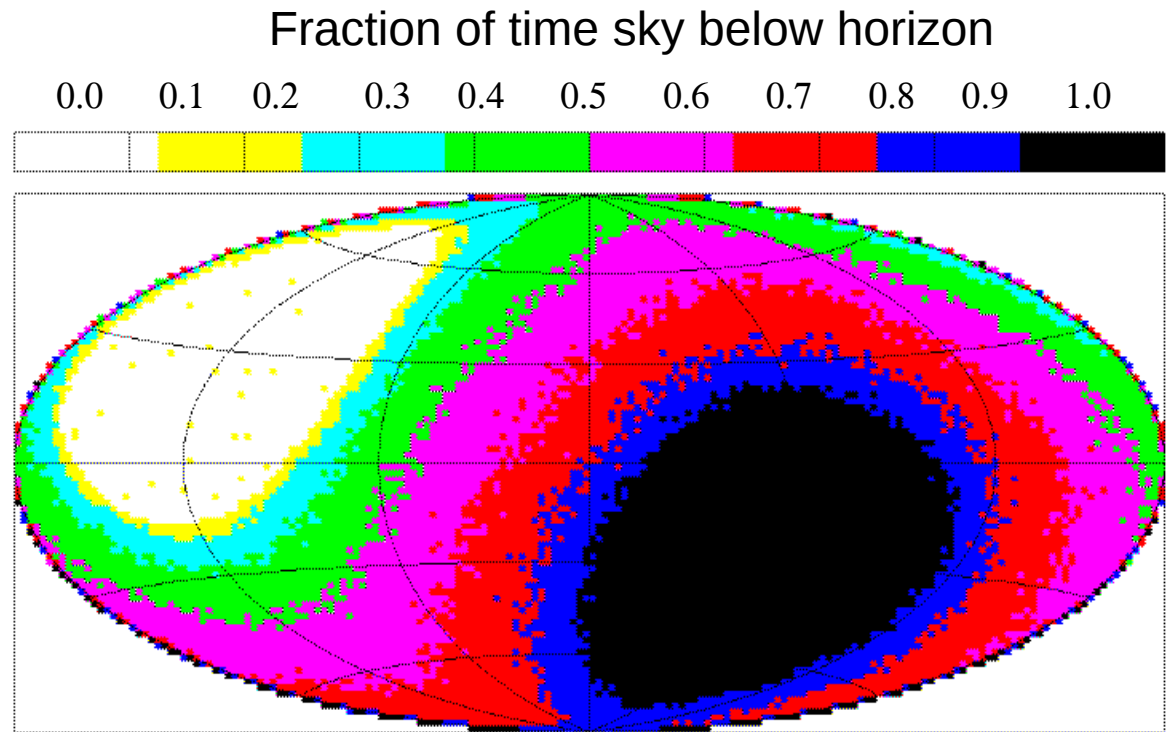
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The next decade

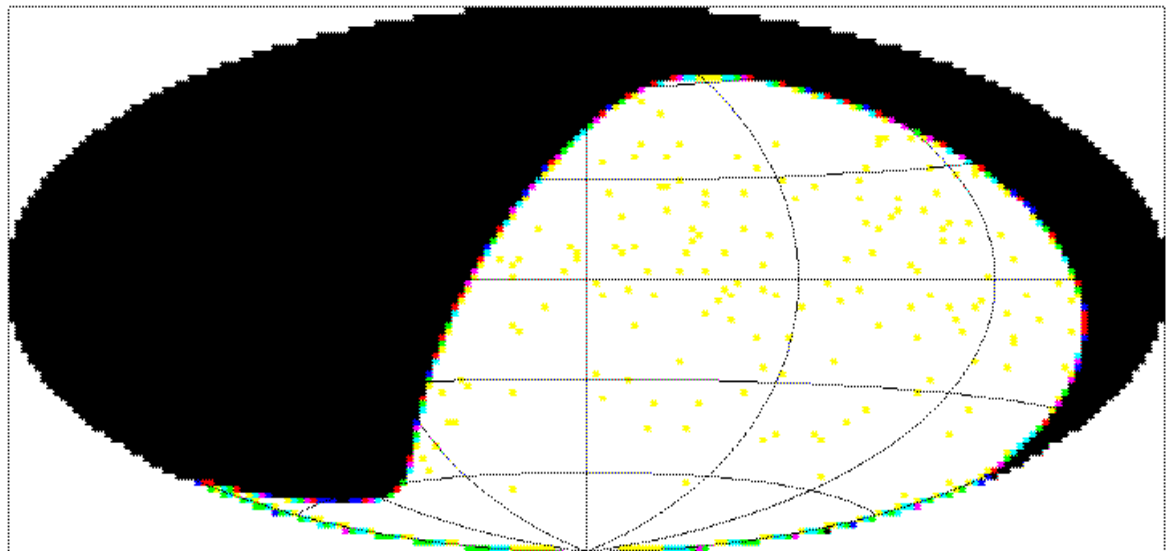


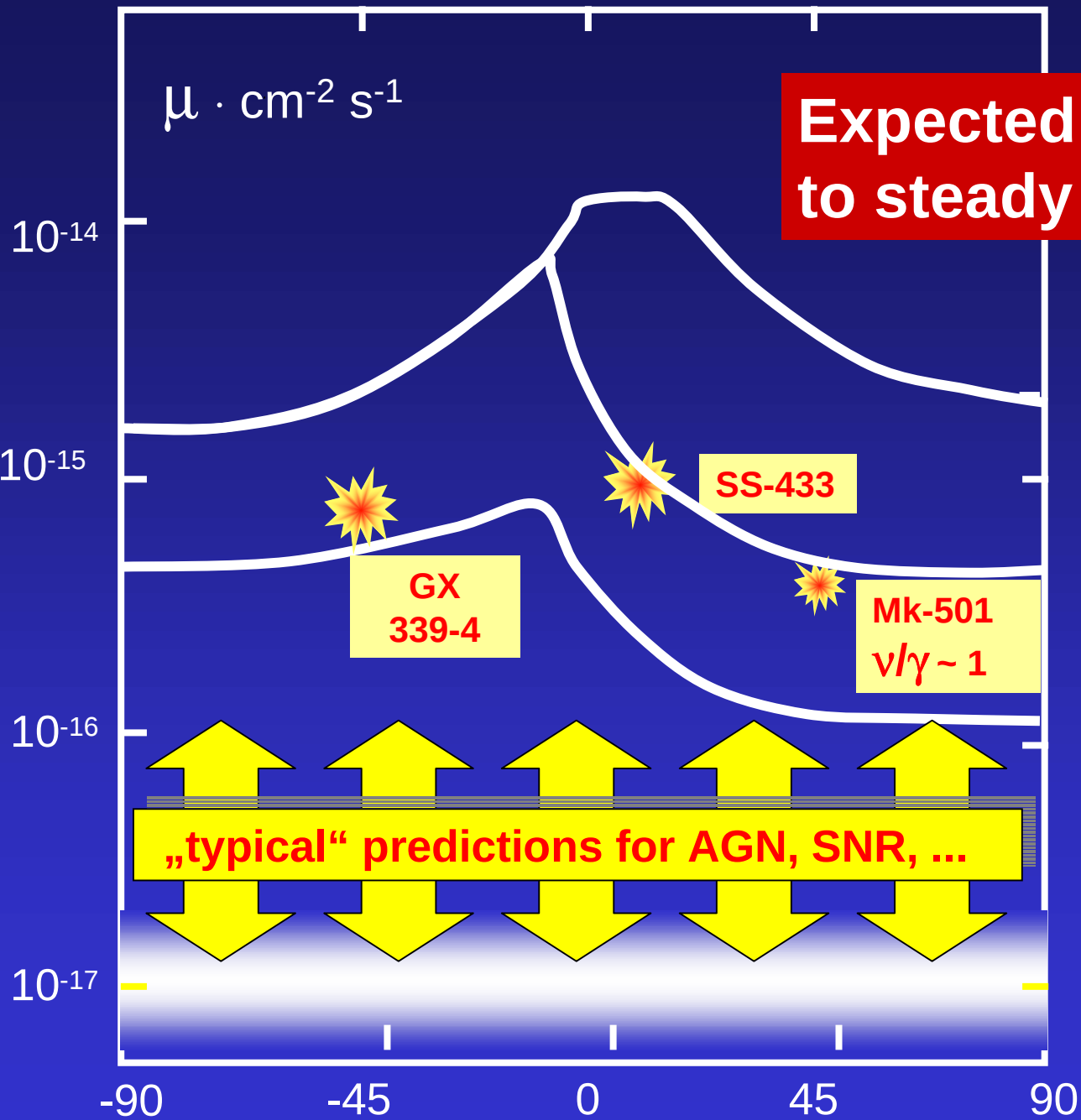
**Point sources:
detector South
+ detector North**

Mediterranean



South Pole





**Expected sensitivities
to steady point sources**

We are close to some predictions !

Most promising: point sources

0.1 km² and 1 km² detectors underwater and ice

Huge step in GZK region

Exciting decade ahead