

IceCube: the High-energy Universe and Multimessenger Astrophysics with Neutrinos

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Cosmic accelerators

non-thermal emission to $> 10^{20}$ eV

outline

I. Cosmic accelerators

- cosmic rays
- observational limitations

II. High-energy universe

- gamma-ray bursts
- active galactic nuclei / blazars
- supernova remnants

III. IceCube

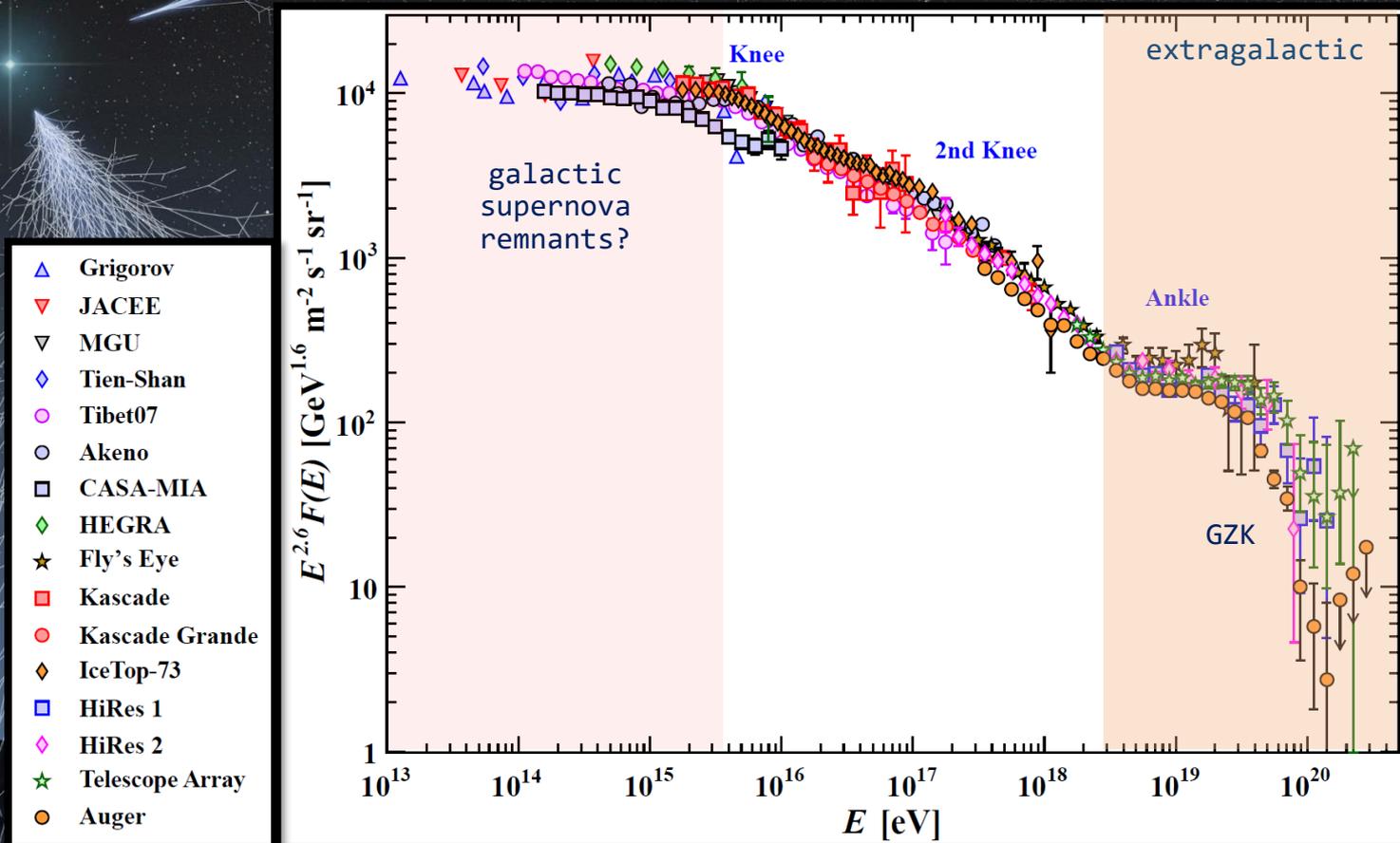
- detector
- astrophysical neutrino flux

IV. Multimessenger observations

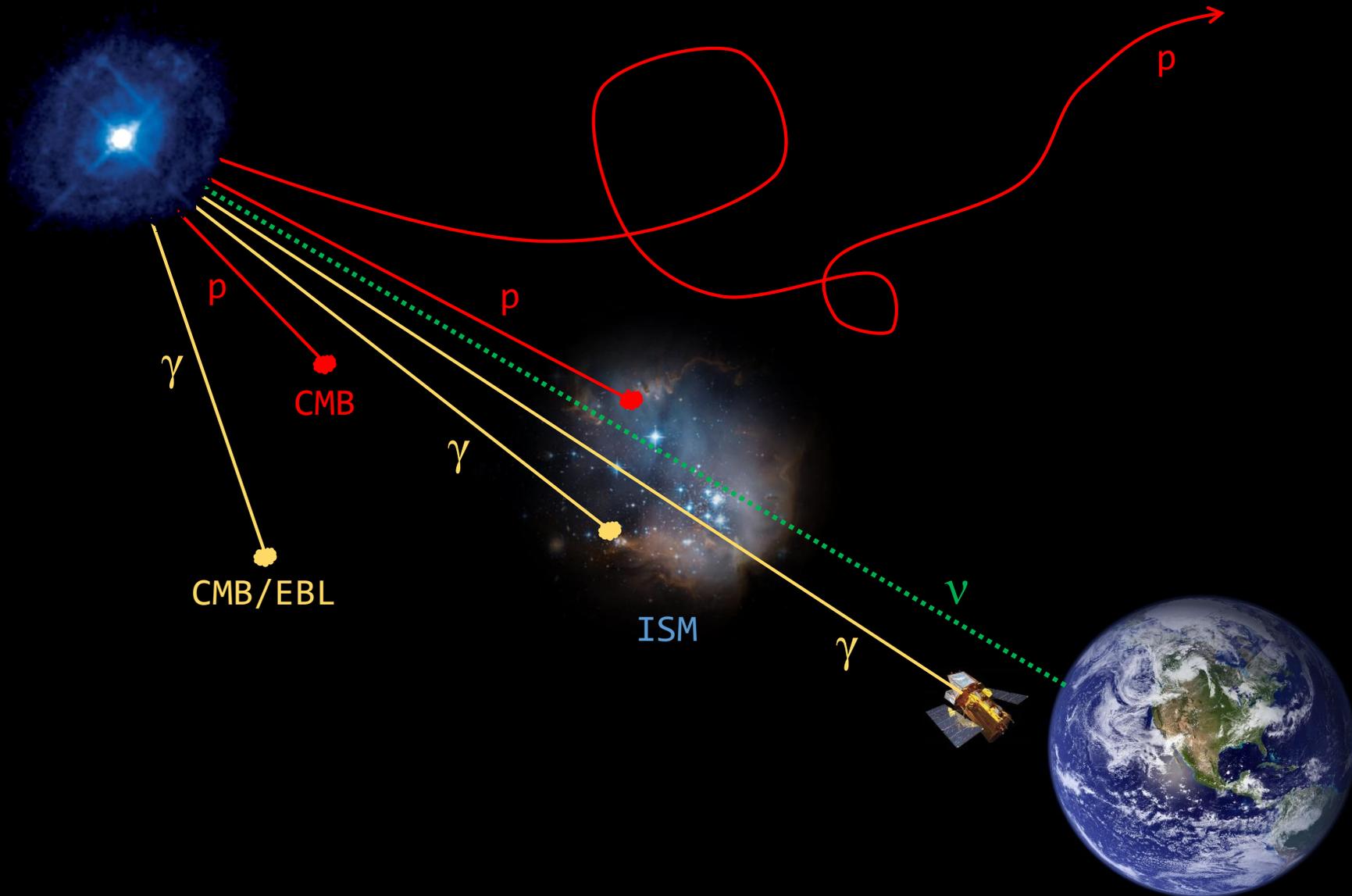
- source constraints
- hints

V. Beyond IceCube: Gen2 and others

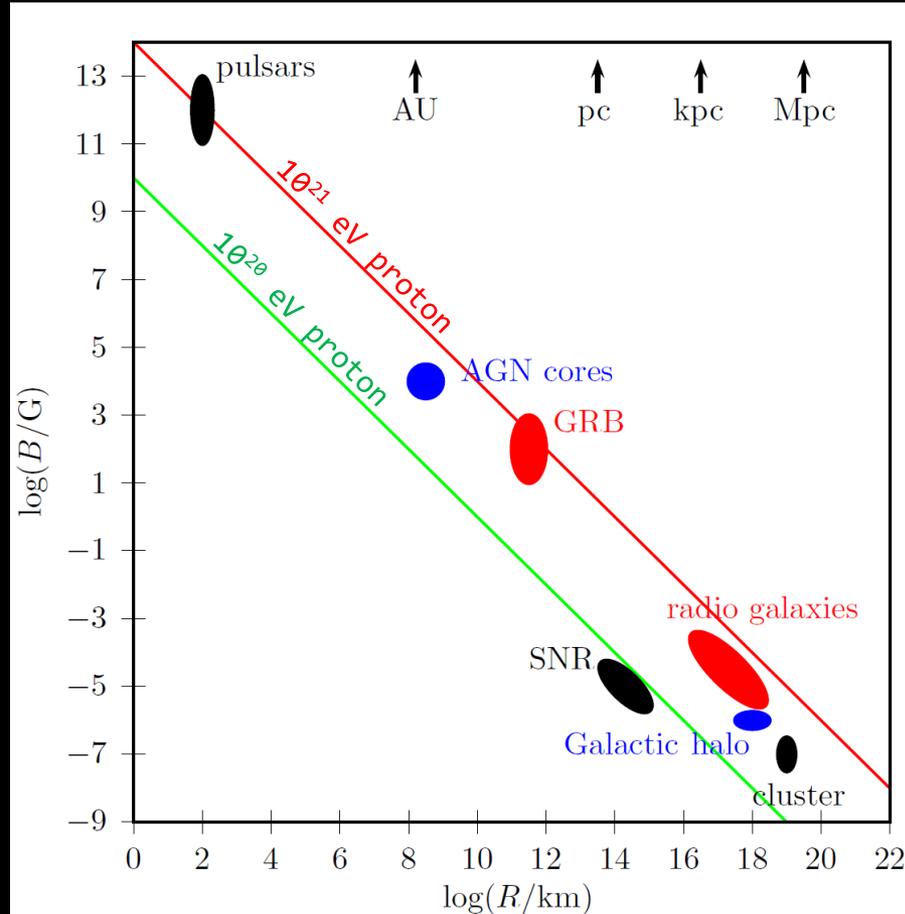
cosmic rays



difficulty finding the origin



the high-energy universe



Hillas criterion: $E_{\max} = qBR$

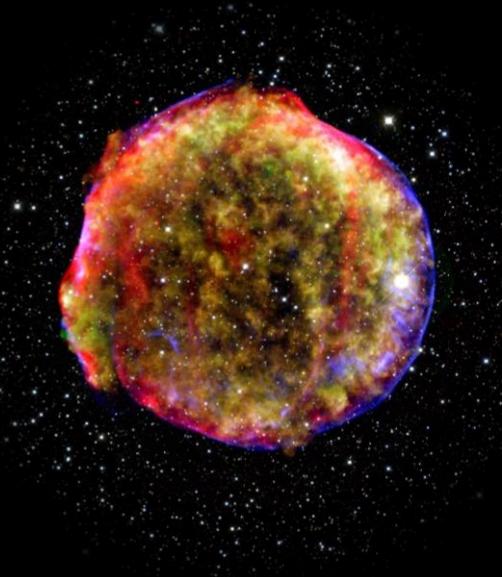
the high-energy (EM) universe



gamma-ray bursts

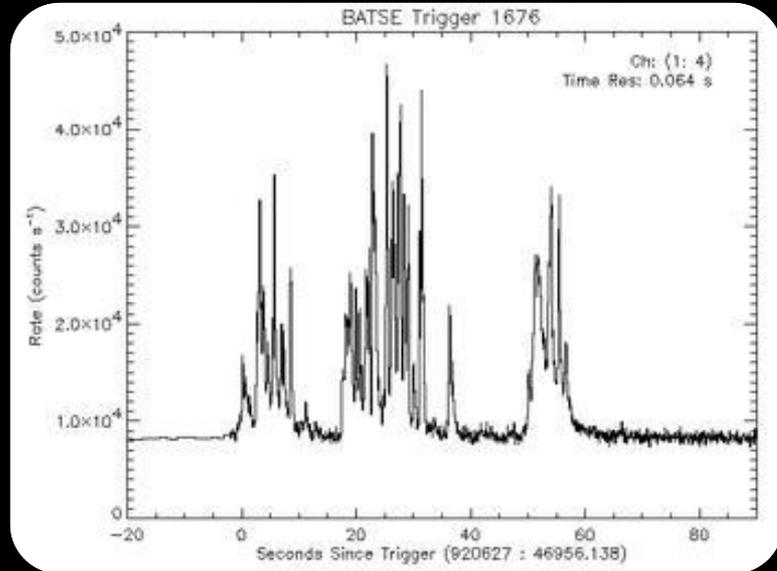
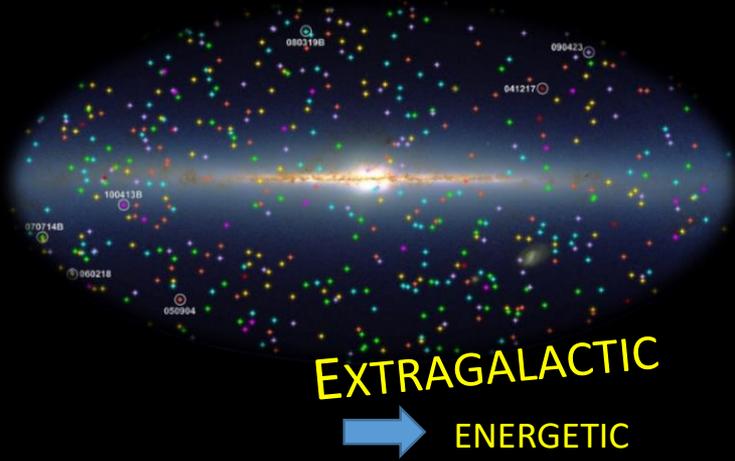


active galactic nuclei
(blazars)

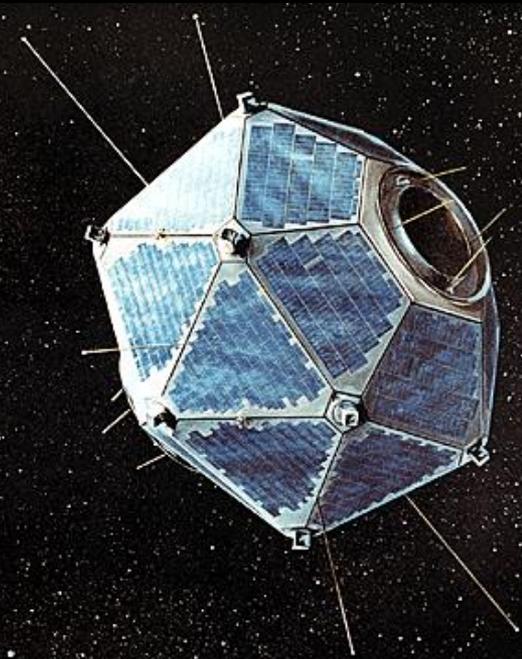
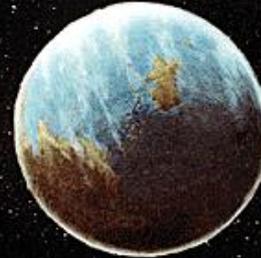


supernova remnants

gamma ray bursts



SMALL!
(*< EARTH*)



Vela satellites

OBSERVATIONS OF GAMMA-RAY BURSTS OF COSMIC ORIGIN

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ABSTRACT

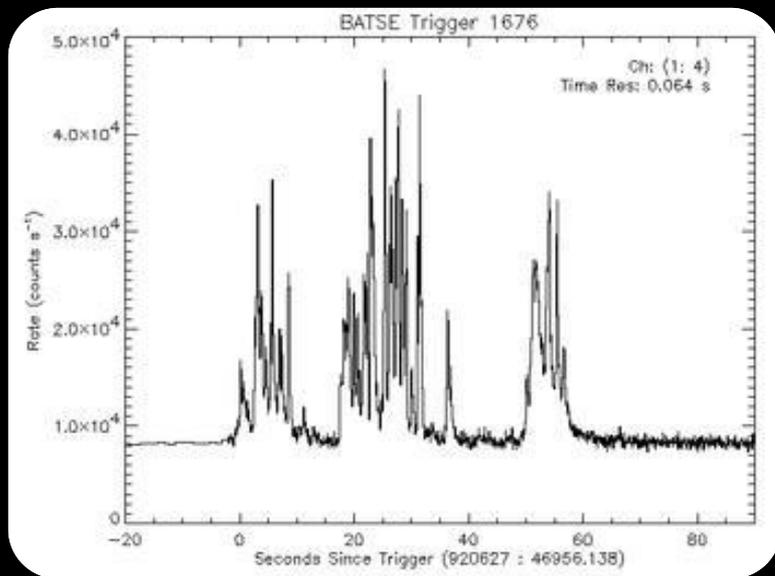
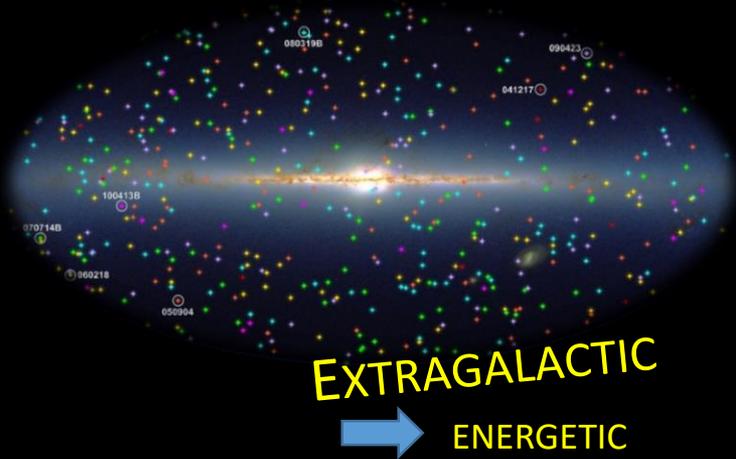
Sixteen short bursts of photons in the energy range 0.2–1.5 MeV have been observed between 1969 July and 1972 July using widely separated spacecraft. Burst durations ranged from less than 0.1 s to ~30 s, and time-integrated flux densities from $\sim 10^{-5}$ ergs cm^{-2} to $\sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$ ergs cm^{-2} in the energy range given. Significant time structure within bursts was observed. Directional information eliminates the Earth and Sun as sources.

Subject headings: gamma rays — X-rays — variable stars

I. INTRODUCTION

On several occasions in the past we have searched the records of data from early *Vela* spacecraft for indications of gamma-ray fluxes near the times of appearance of supernovae. These searches proved uniformly fruitless. Specific predictions of gamma-ray emission during the initial stages of the development of supernovae have since

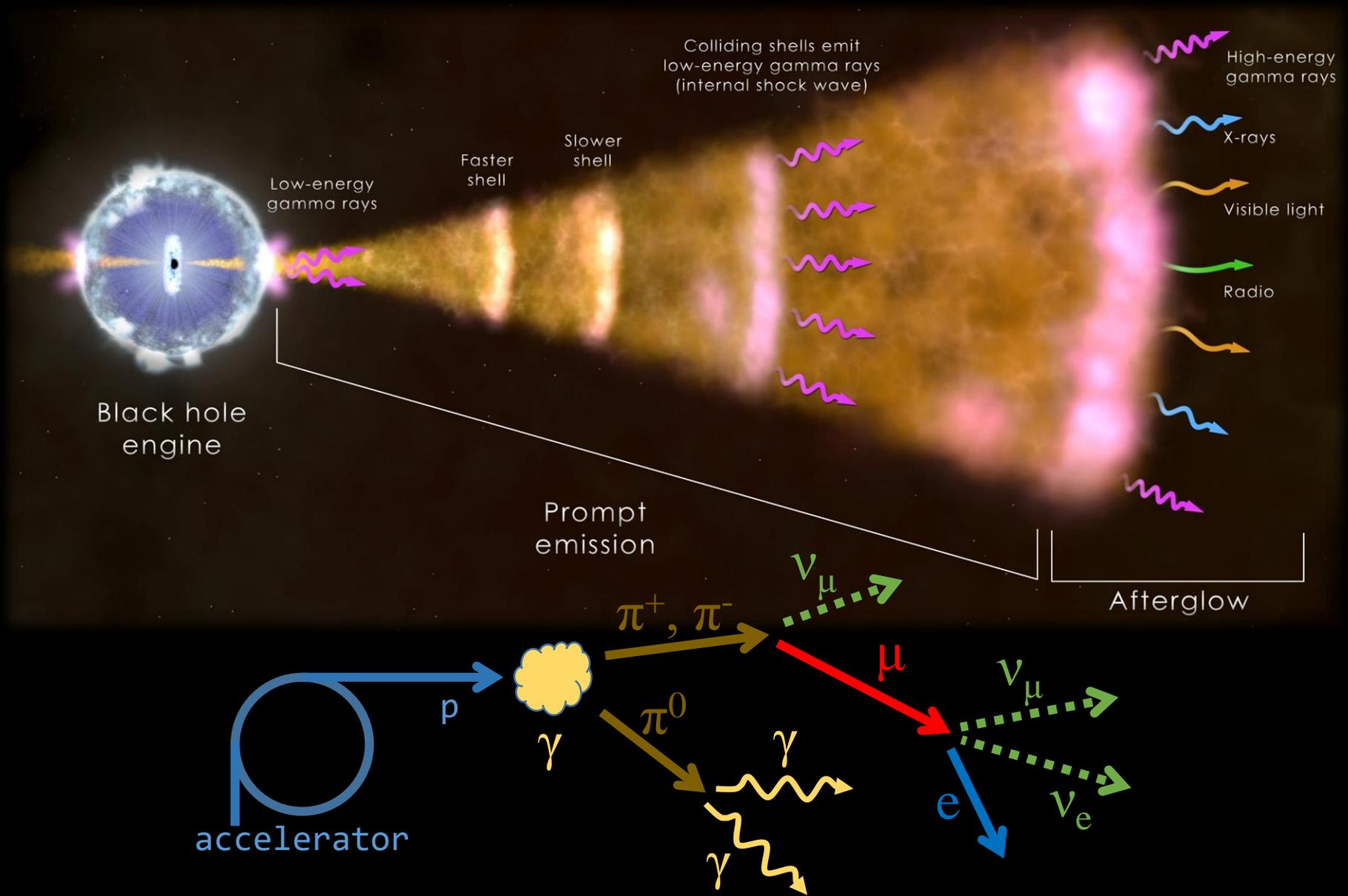
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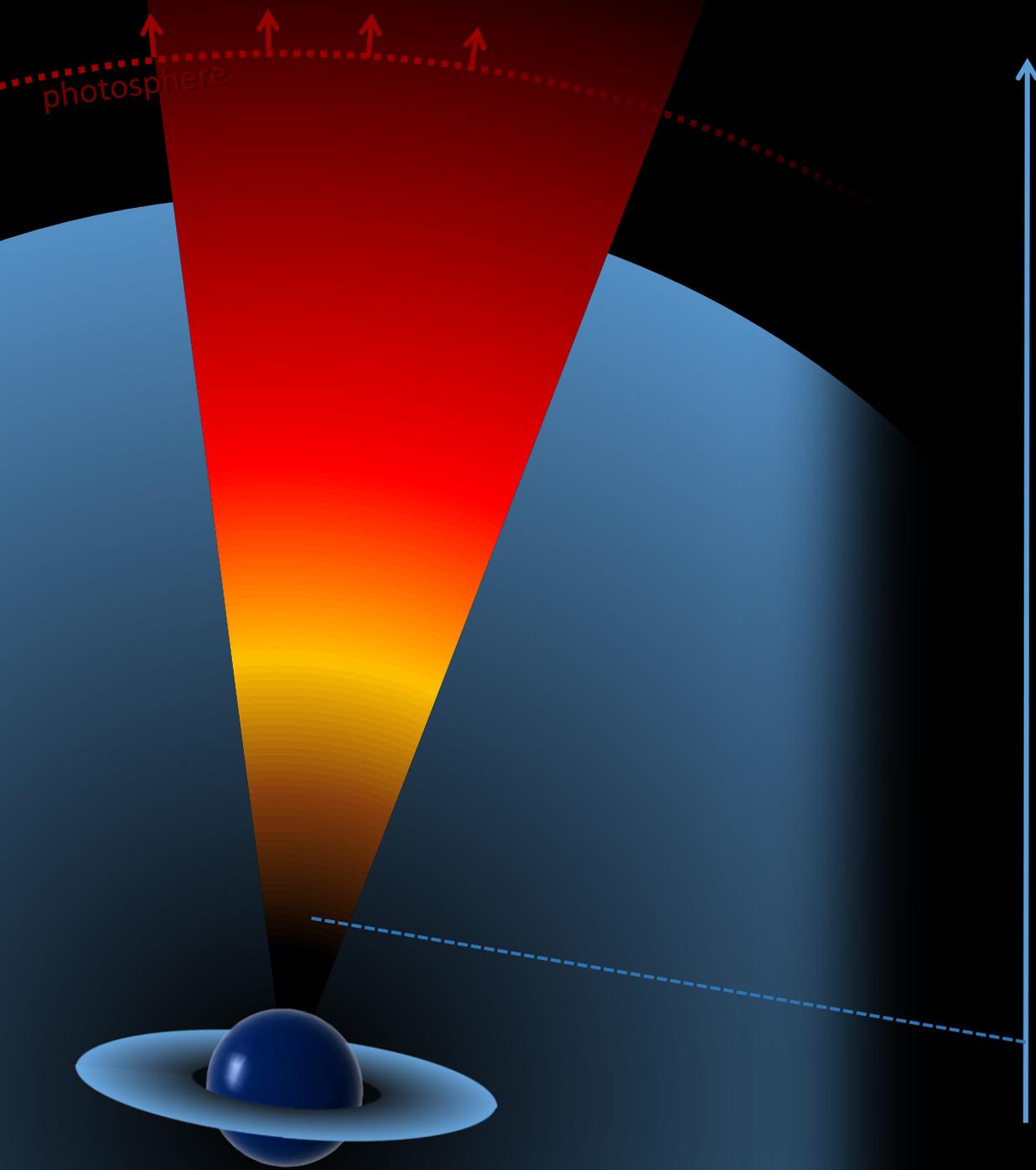


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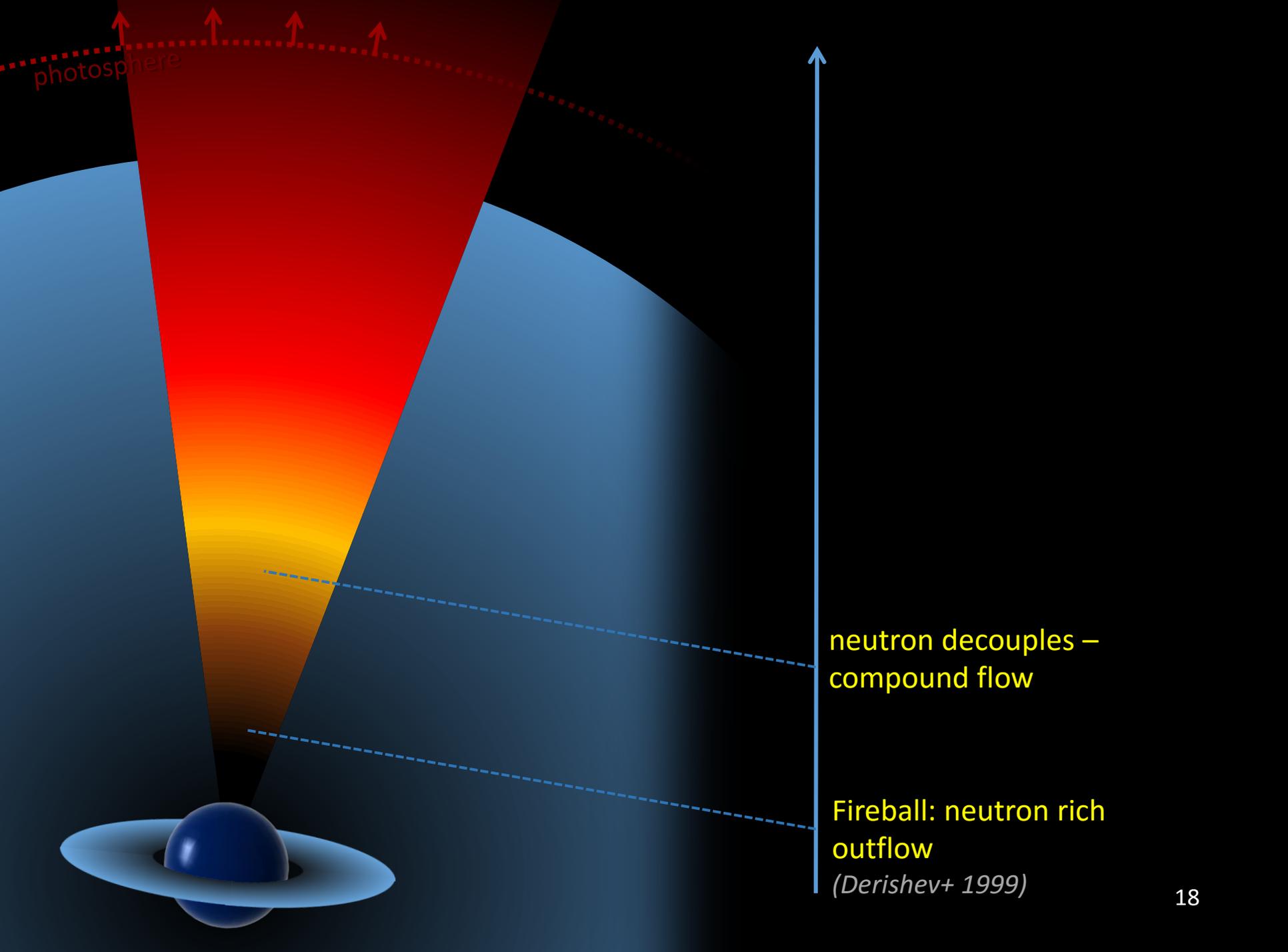
gamma ray bursts





photosphere

Fireball: neutron rich outflow
(Derishev+ 1999)

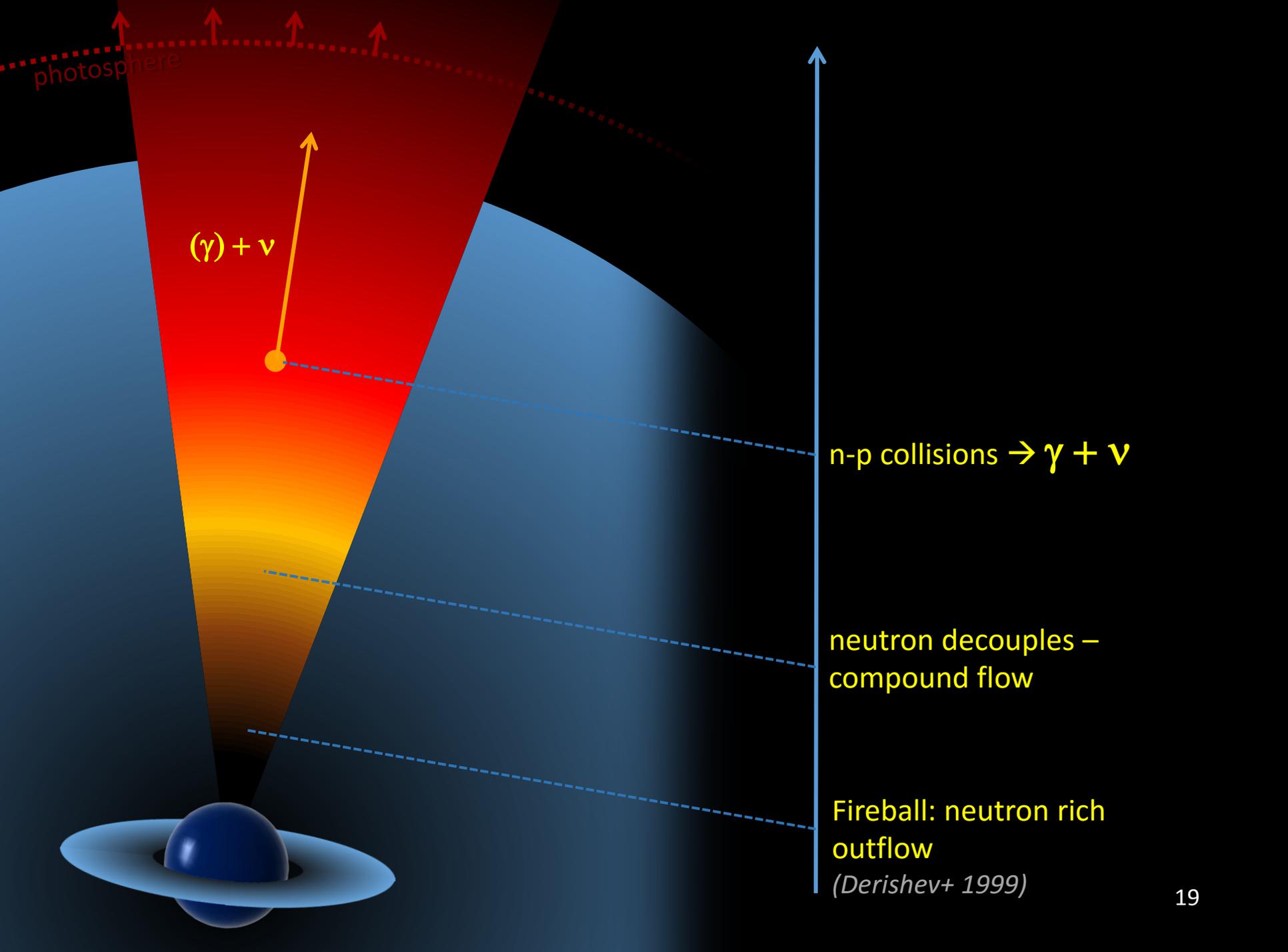


photosphere

neutron decouples –
compound flow

Fireball: neutron rich
outflow

(Derishev+ 1999)



photosphere

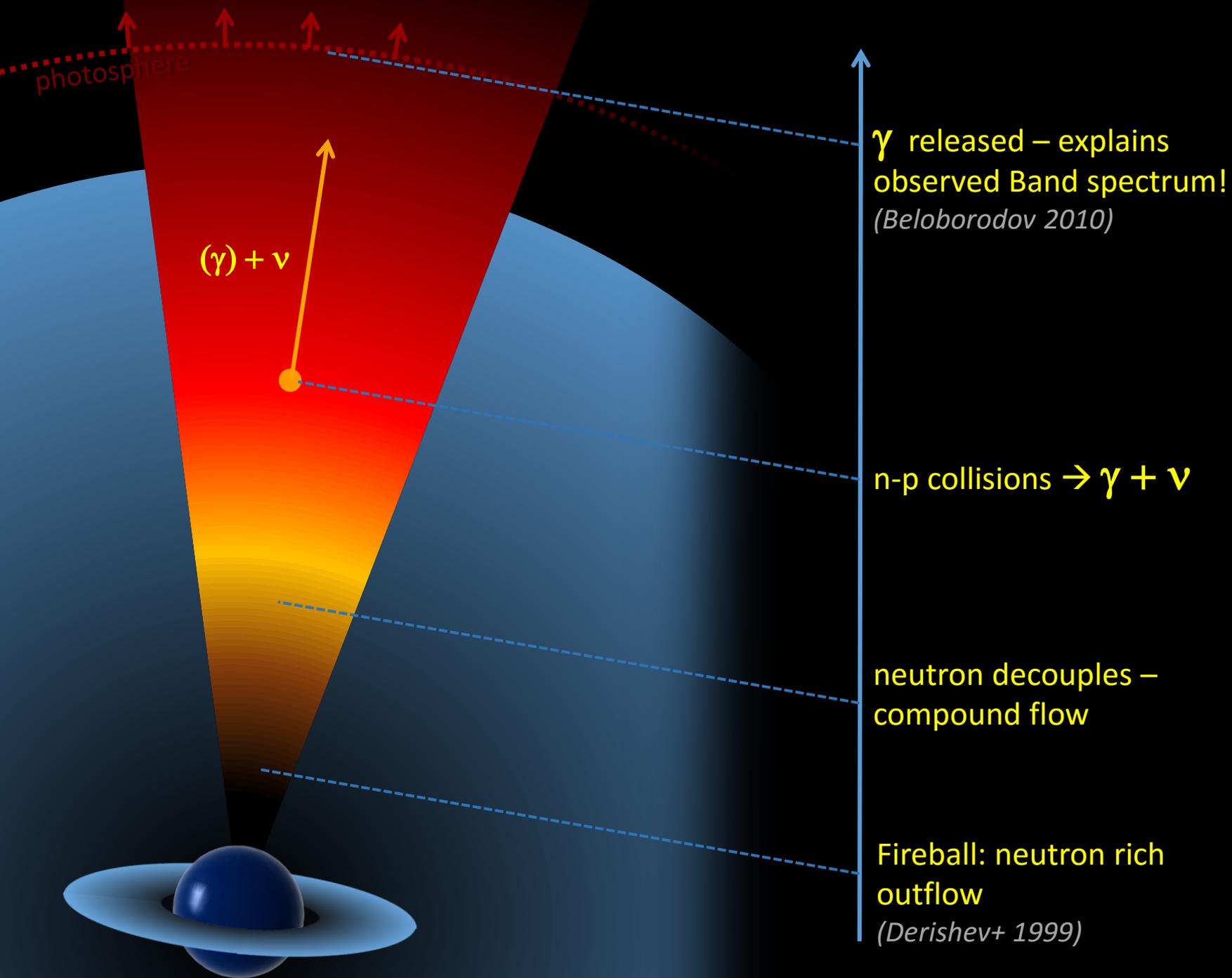
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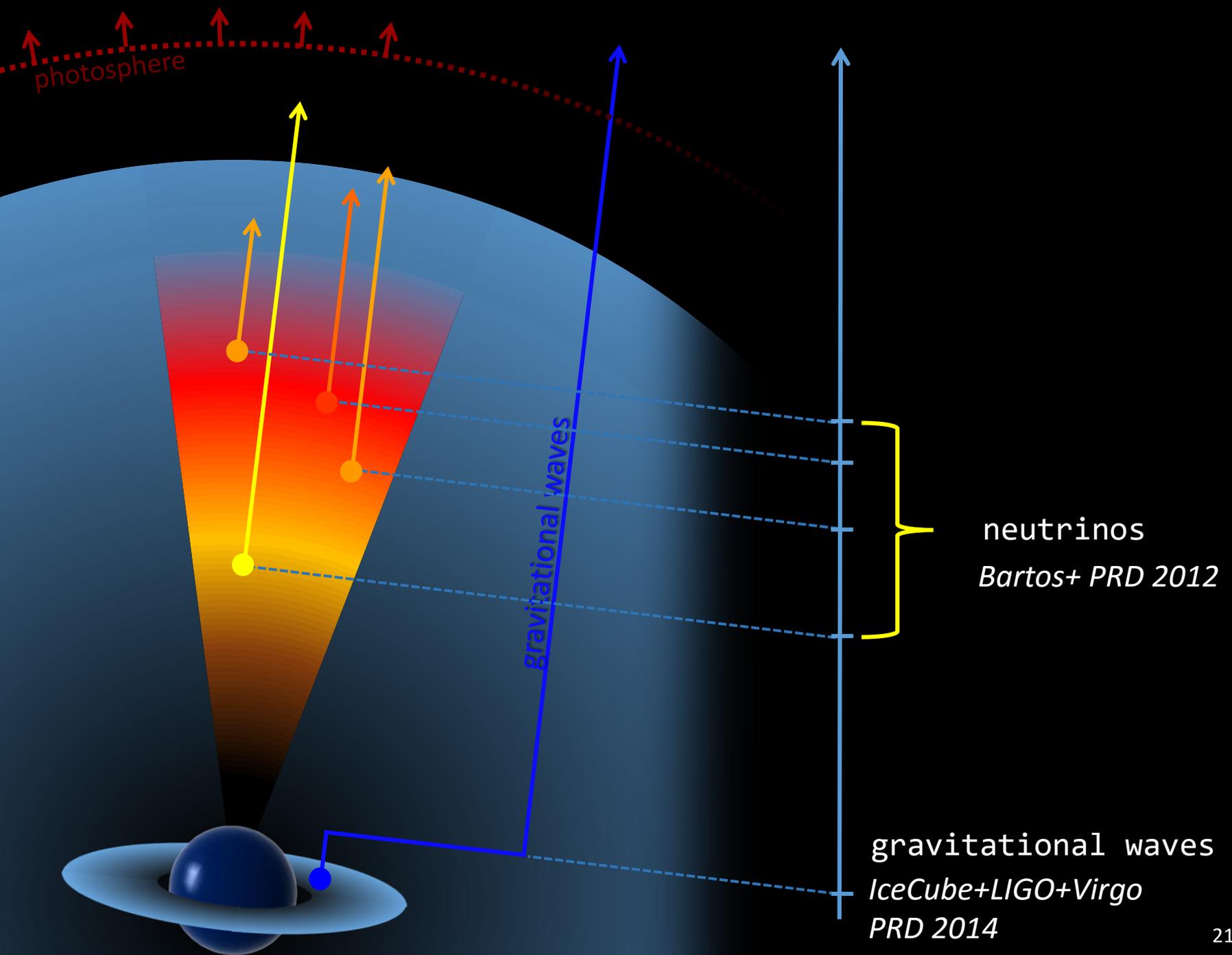
n-p collisions $\rightarrow \gamma + \nu$

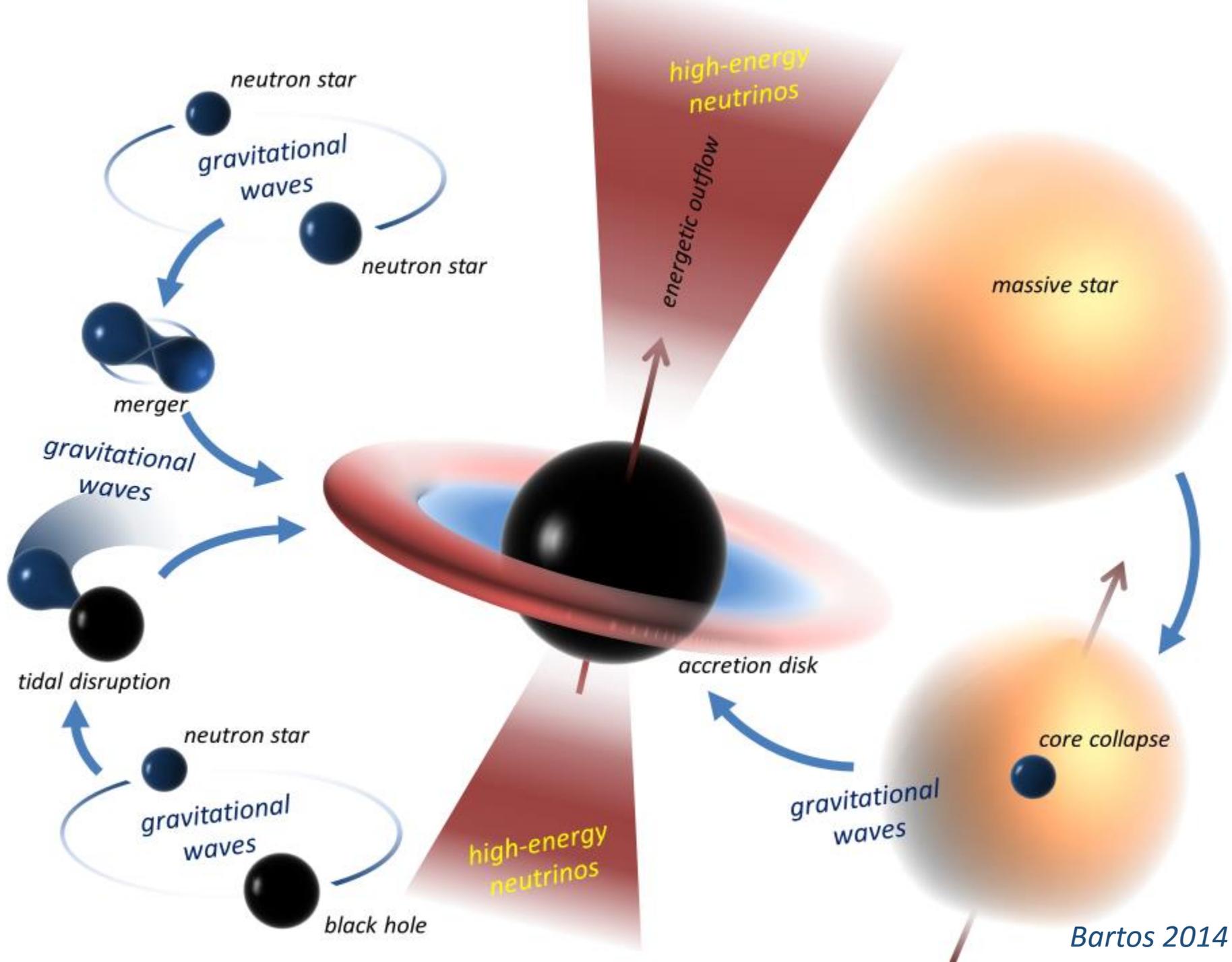
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gamma ray bursts - summary

I. progenitor

- massive stellar core collapse
- binary neutron star merger

II. particle acceleration

- relativistic outflows
- details not clear

III. typical rate / distance

- $\sim 1 / \text{day}$ ($30 \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{Gpc}^{-3}$)
- $z \sim 2$

IV. too far for cosmic ray observation

V. radio to gamma rays up to $\sim 100 \text{ GeV}$

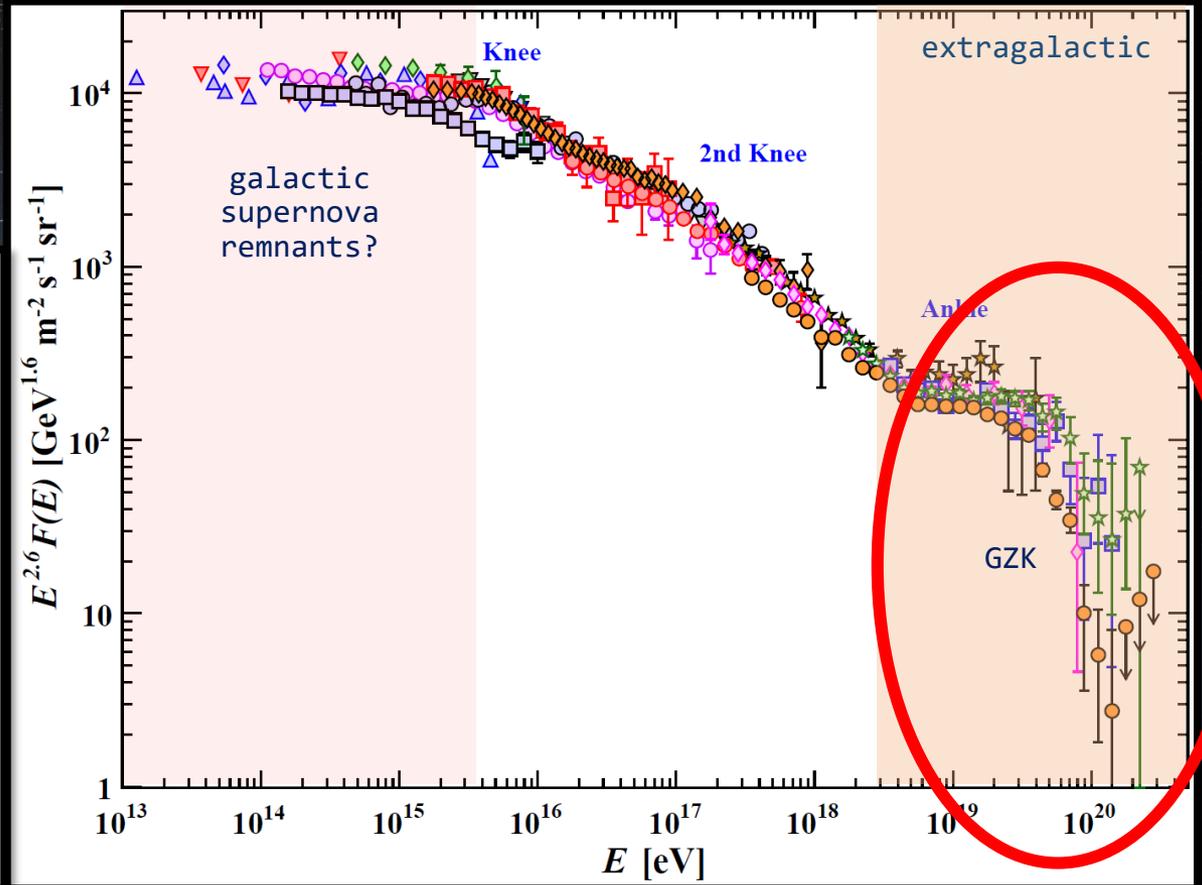
VI. neutrinos

- no detection so far
- would determine acceleration
- test $\gg 100 \text{ GeV}$



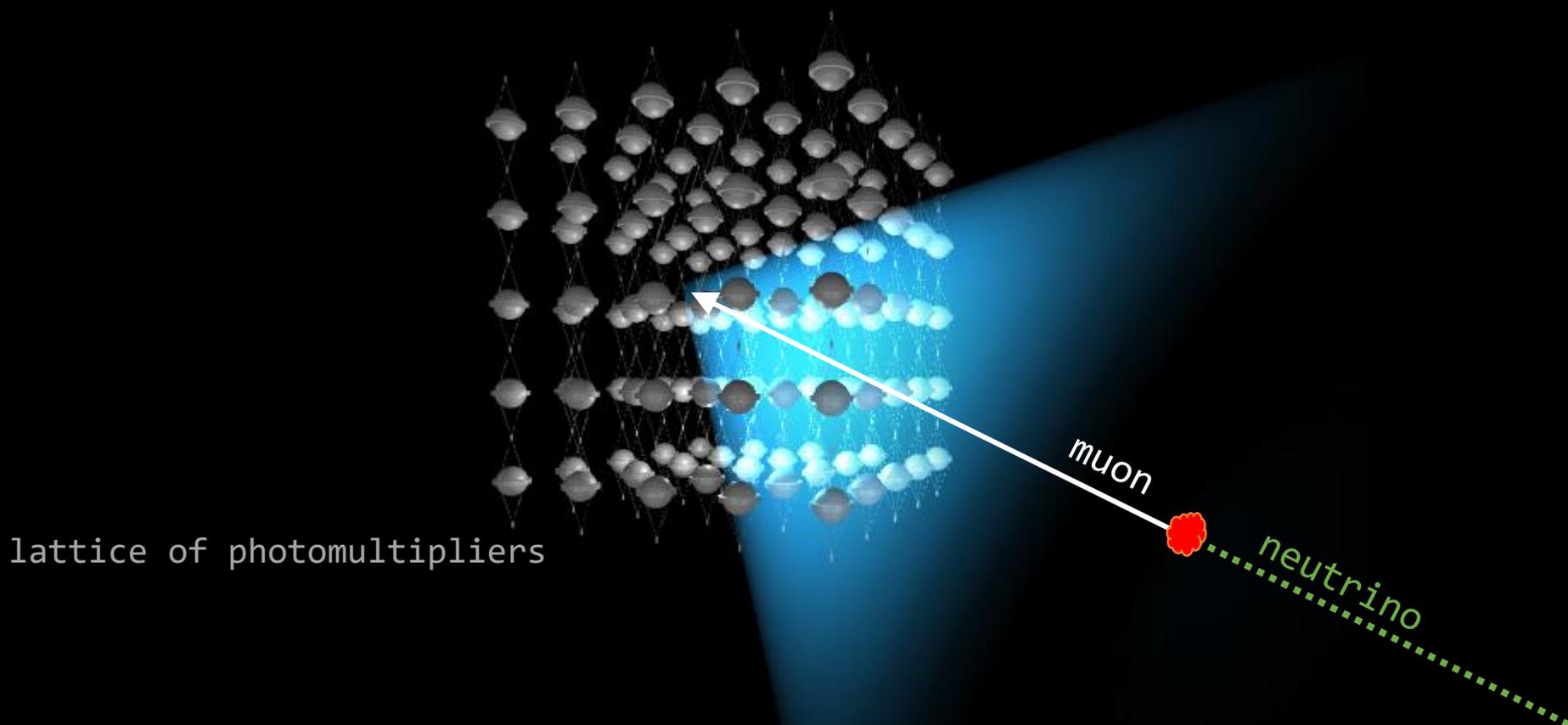
high-energy neutrino detection

- ▲ Grigorov
- ▼ JACEE
- ▽ MGU
- ◆ Tien-Shan
- Tibet07
- Akeno
- CASA-MIA
- ◇ HEGRA
- ★ Fly's Eye
- Cascade
- Cascade Grande
- ◆ IceTop-73
- HiRes 1
- ◇ HiRes 2
- ★ Telescope Array
- Auger

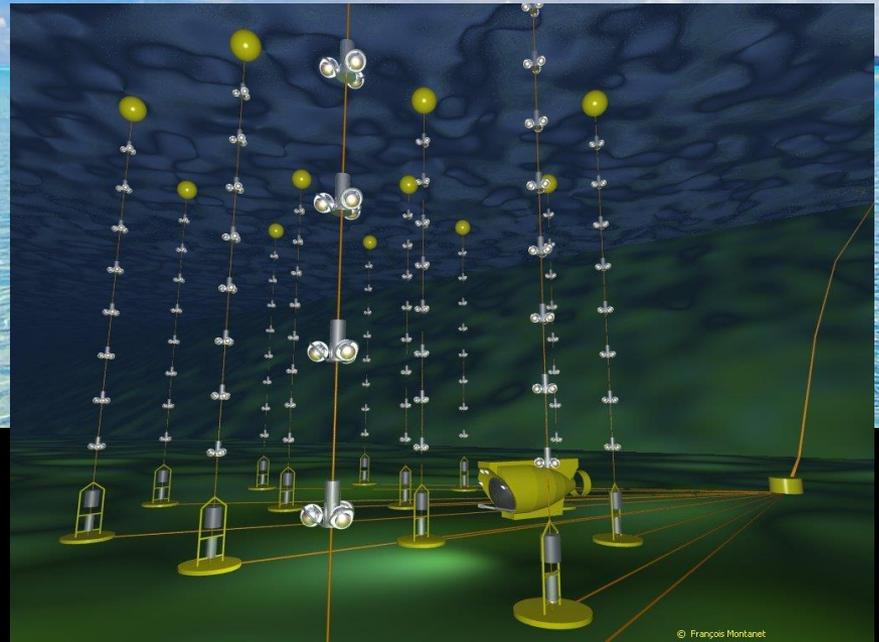


high-energy neutrino detection

Moisey Markov (1960): we propose to install detectors deep in a lake or in the sea and to determine the direction of charged particles with the help of Cherenkov radiation.



DUMAND (Deep Underwater Muon And Neutrino Detector)



1976-1995

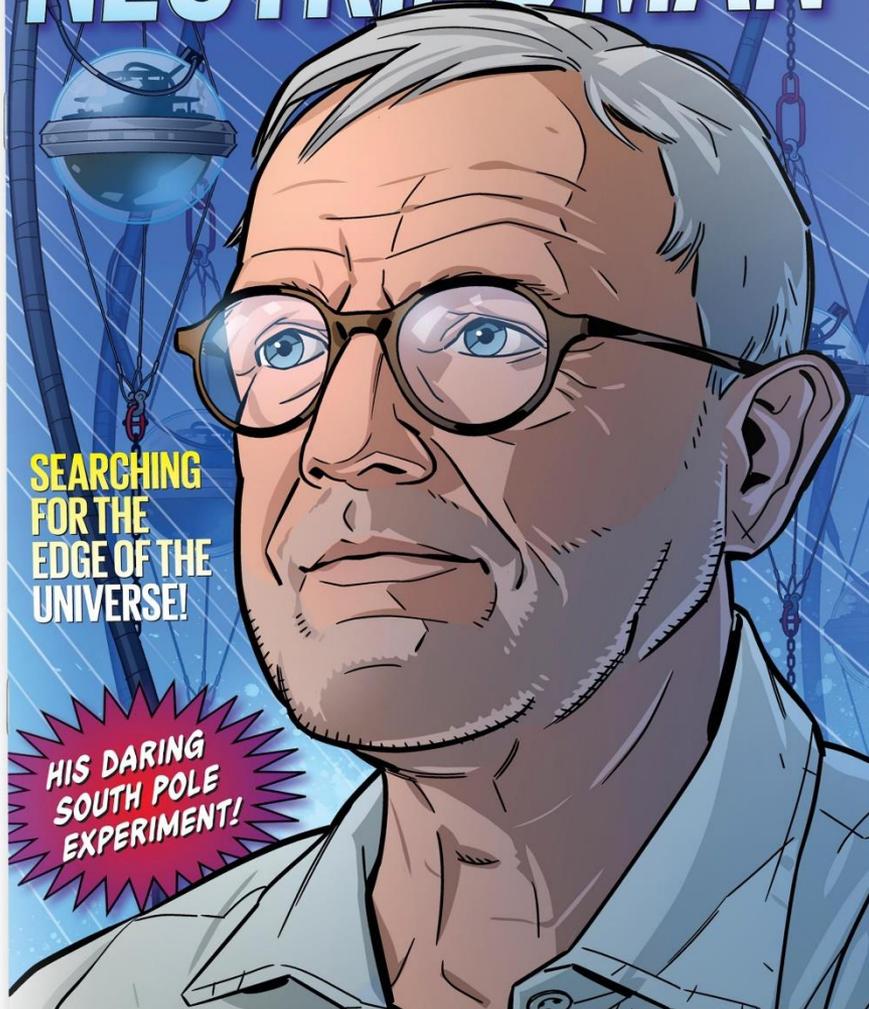
THE SUBATOMIC ADVENTURES OF

NEUTRINO MAN

SEARCHING
FOR THE
EDGE OF THE
UNIVERSE!

HIS DARING
SOUTH POLE
EXPERIMENT!

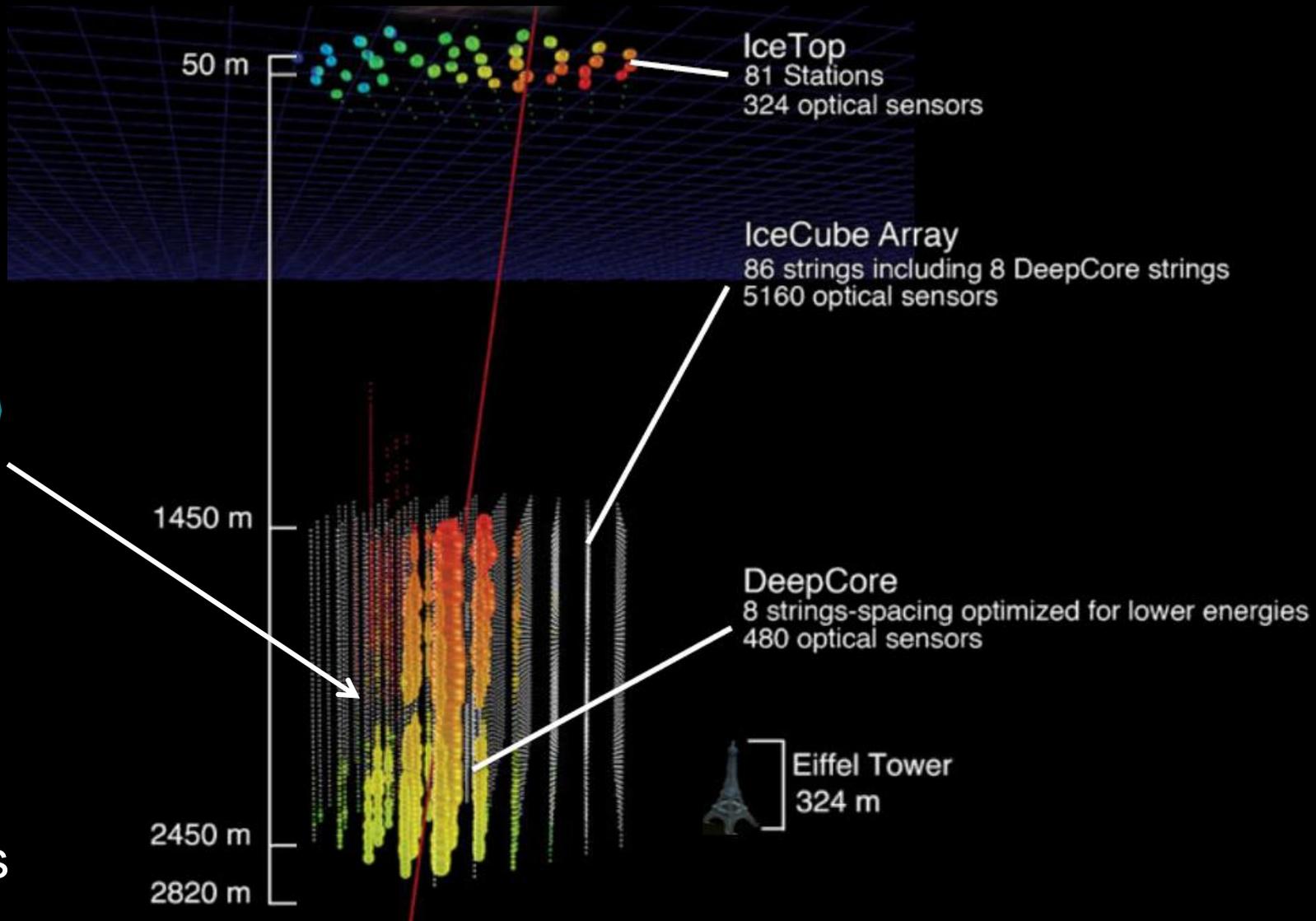
DEFIES THE ODDS! CATCHES INVISIBLE PARTICLES FROM OUTER SPACE!





ultra-transparent ice below 1.5 km

IceCube



5160 PMs
in 1 km³

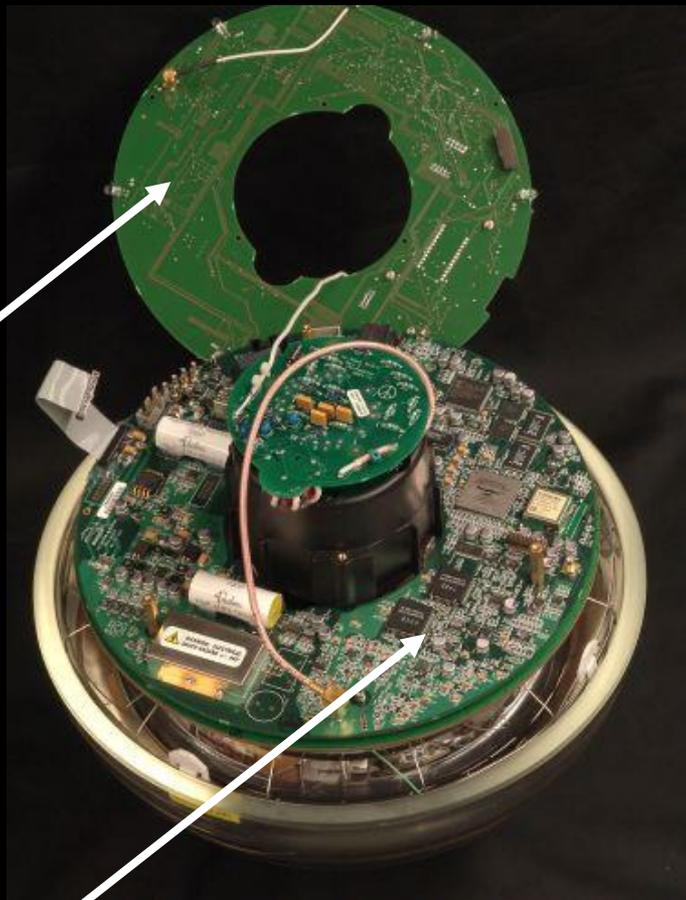
Photomultiplier
tube - 10 inch



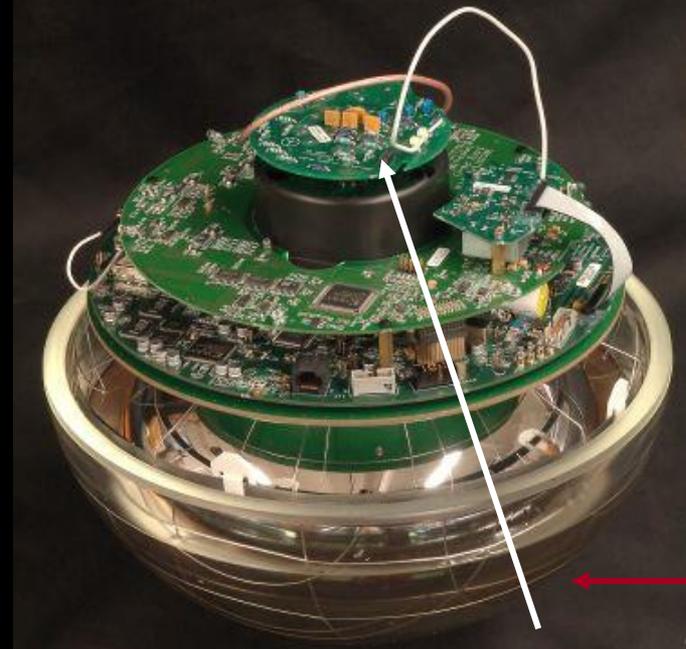
architecture of independent DOMs

LED
flasher
board

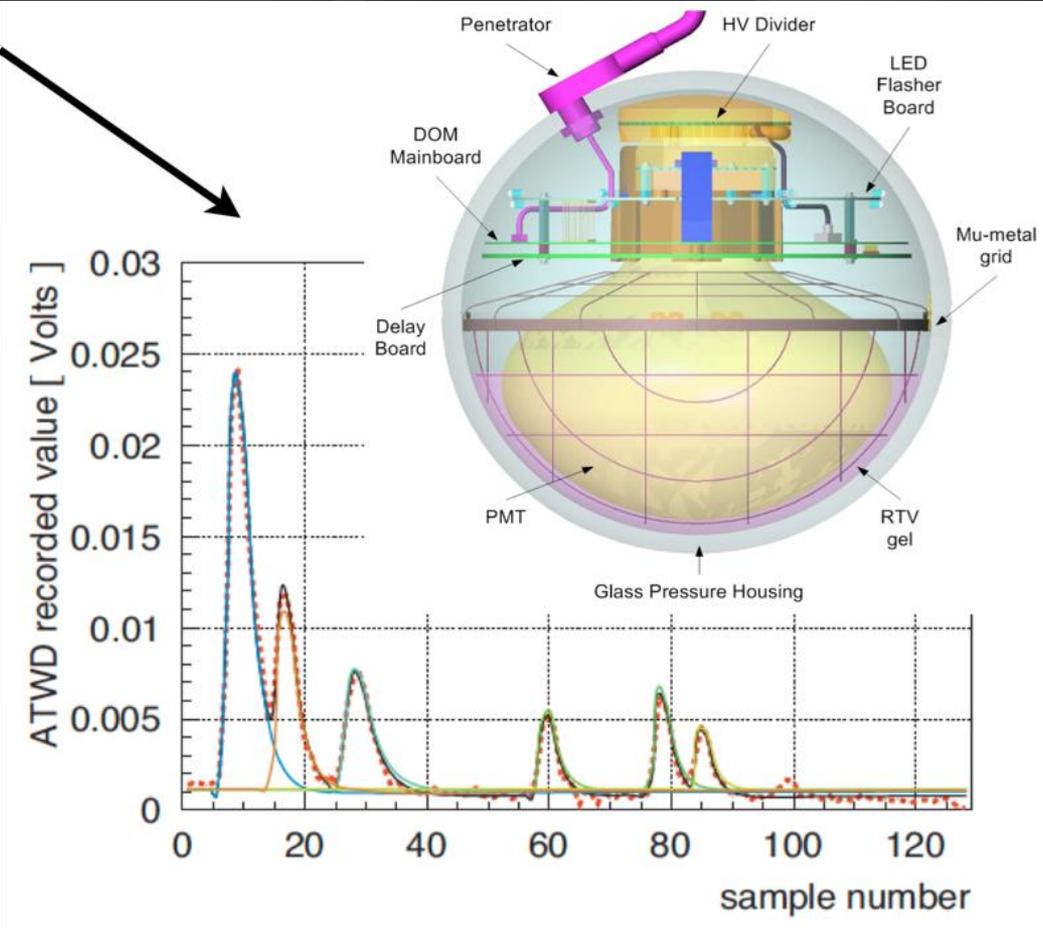
main
board



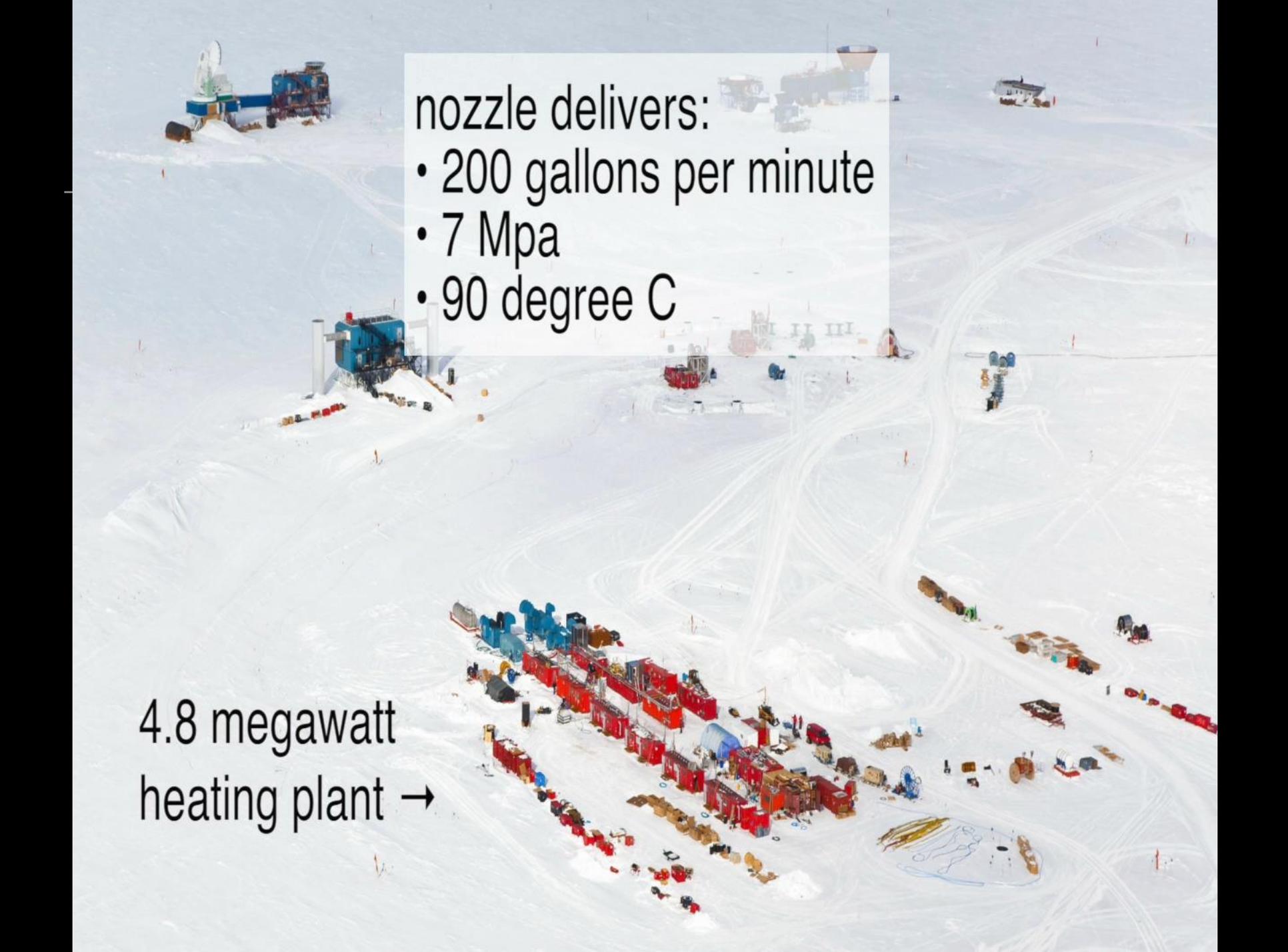
HV board



... each Digital Optical Module independently collects light signals like this, digitizes them,



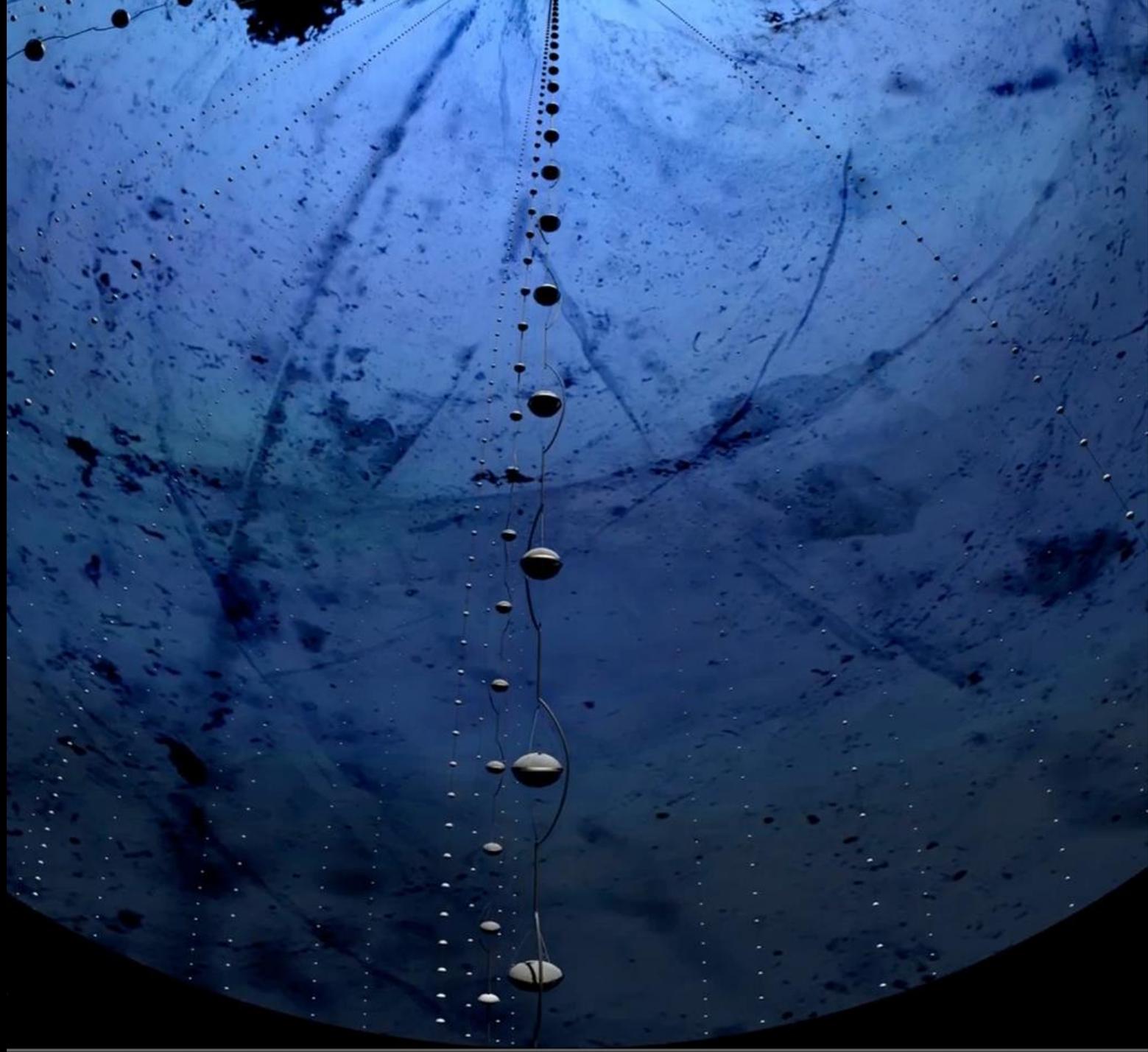
...time stamps them with 2 nanoseconds precision, and sends them to a computer that sorts them events...

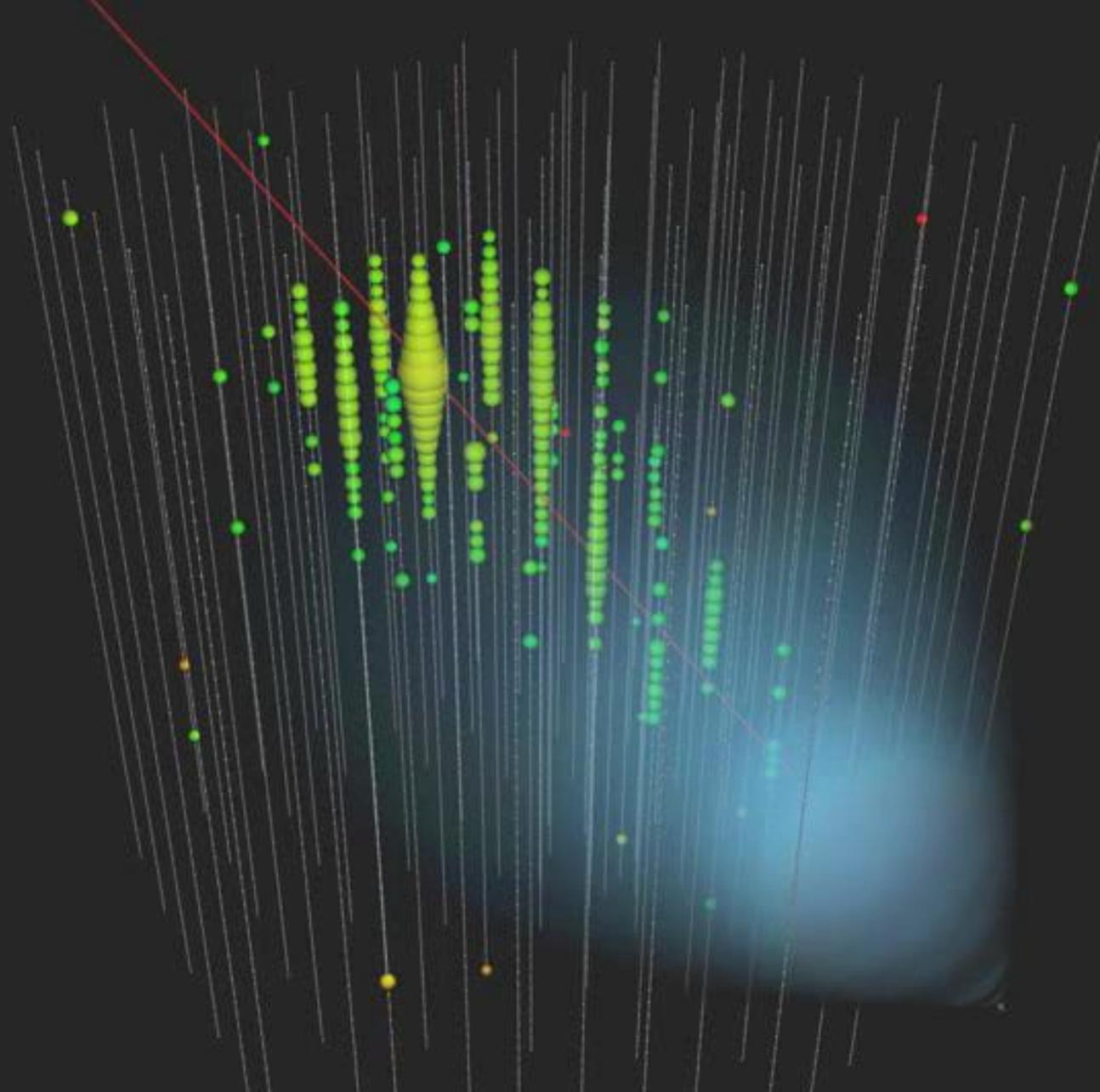


nozzle delivers:

- 200 gallons per minute
- 7 Mpa
- 90 degree C

4.8 megawatt
heating plant →



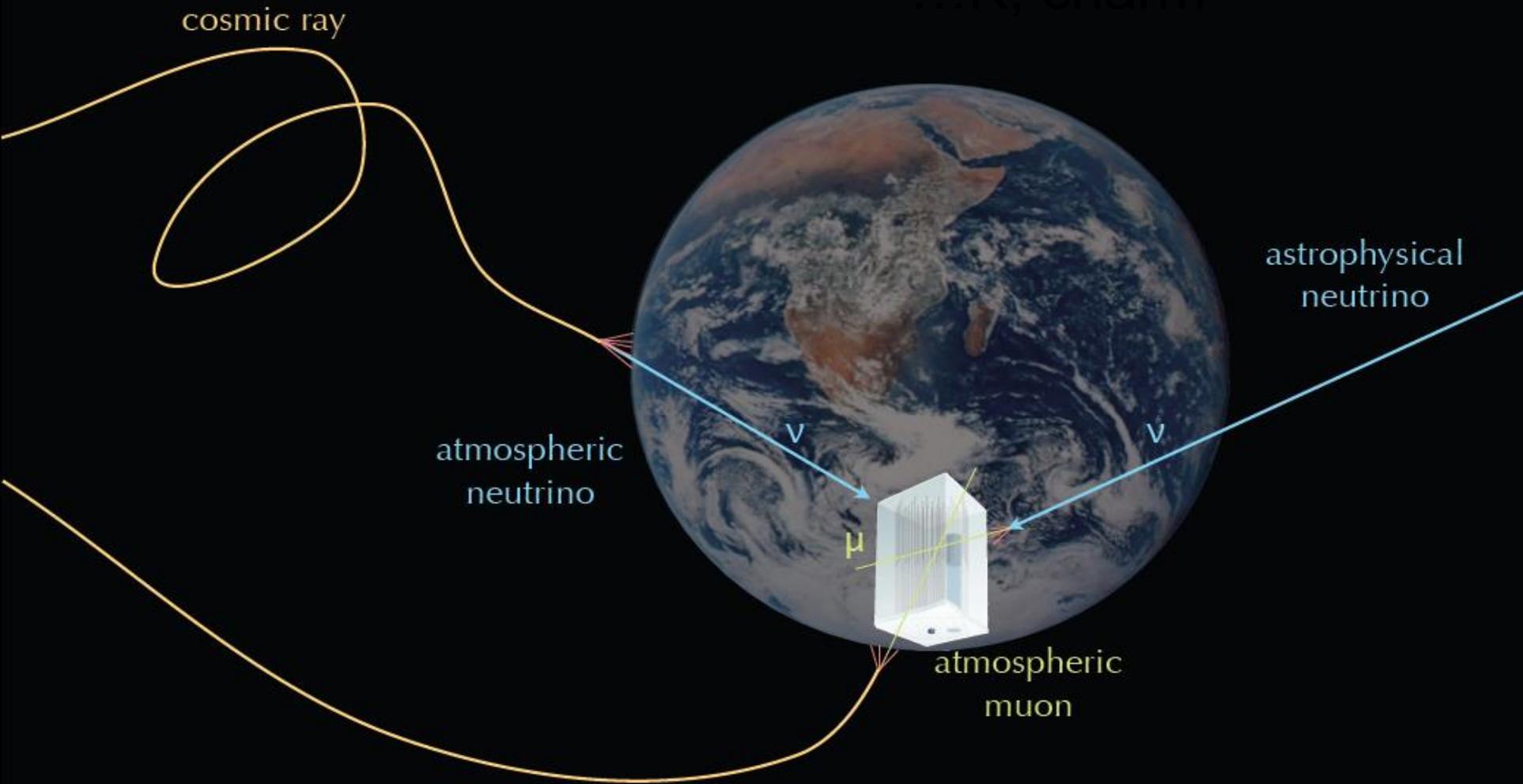


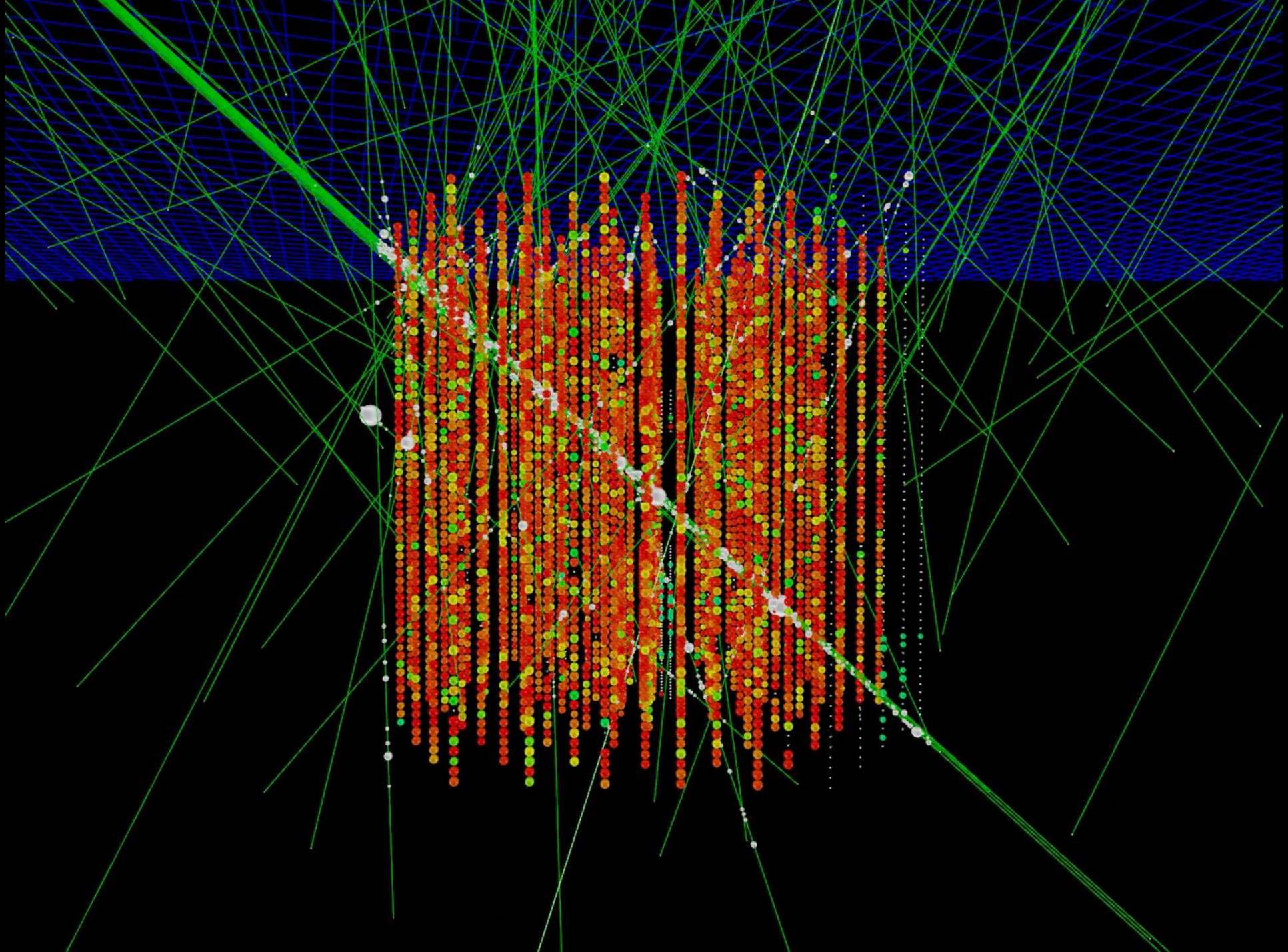
muon track: time is color; number of photons is energy

93 TeV muon: light ~ energy

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Type: NuMu  
E(GeV): 9.30e+04  
Zen: 40.45 deg  
Azi: 192.12 deg  
NTrack: 1/1 shown, min E(GeV) == 93026.46  
NCasc: 100/427 shown, min E(GeV) == 7.99
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Signals and Backgrounds





... you looked at 10msec of data !

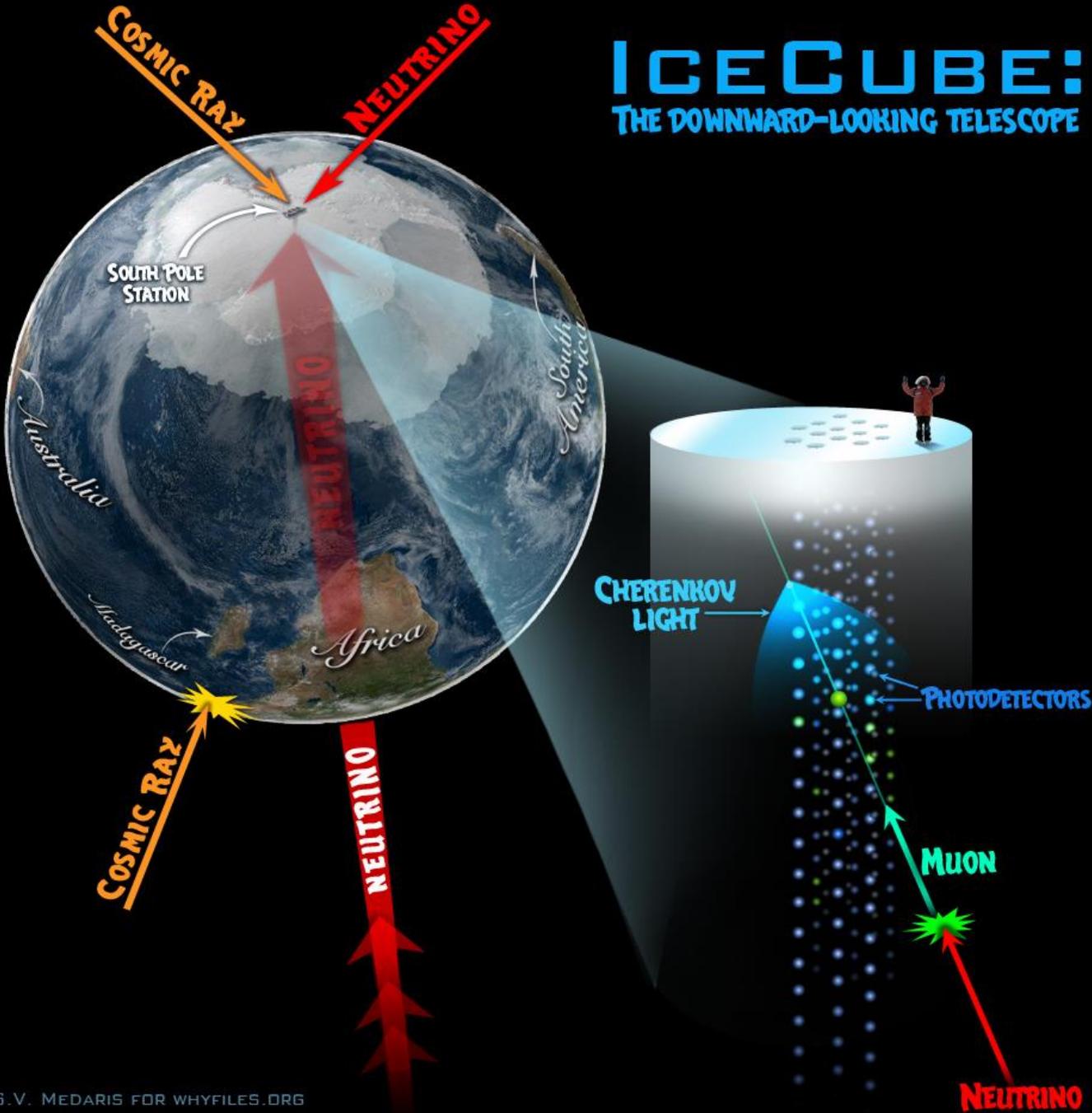
muons detected per year:

- atmospheric* μ $\sim 10^{11}$
- atmospheric** $\nu \rightarrow \mu$ $\sim 10^5$
- cosmic $\nu \rightarrow \mu$ ~ 10

* 3000 per second

** 1 every 6 minutes

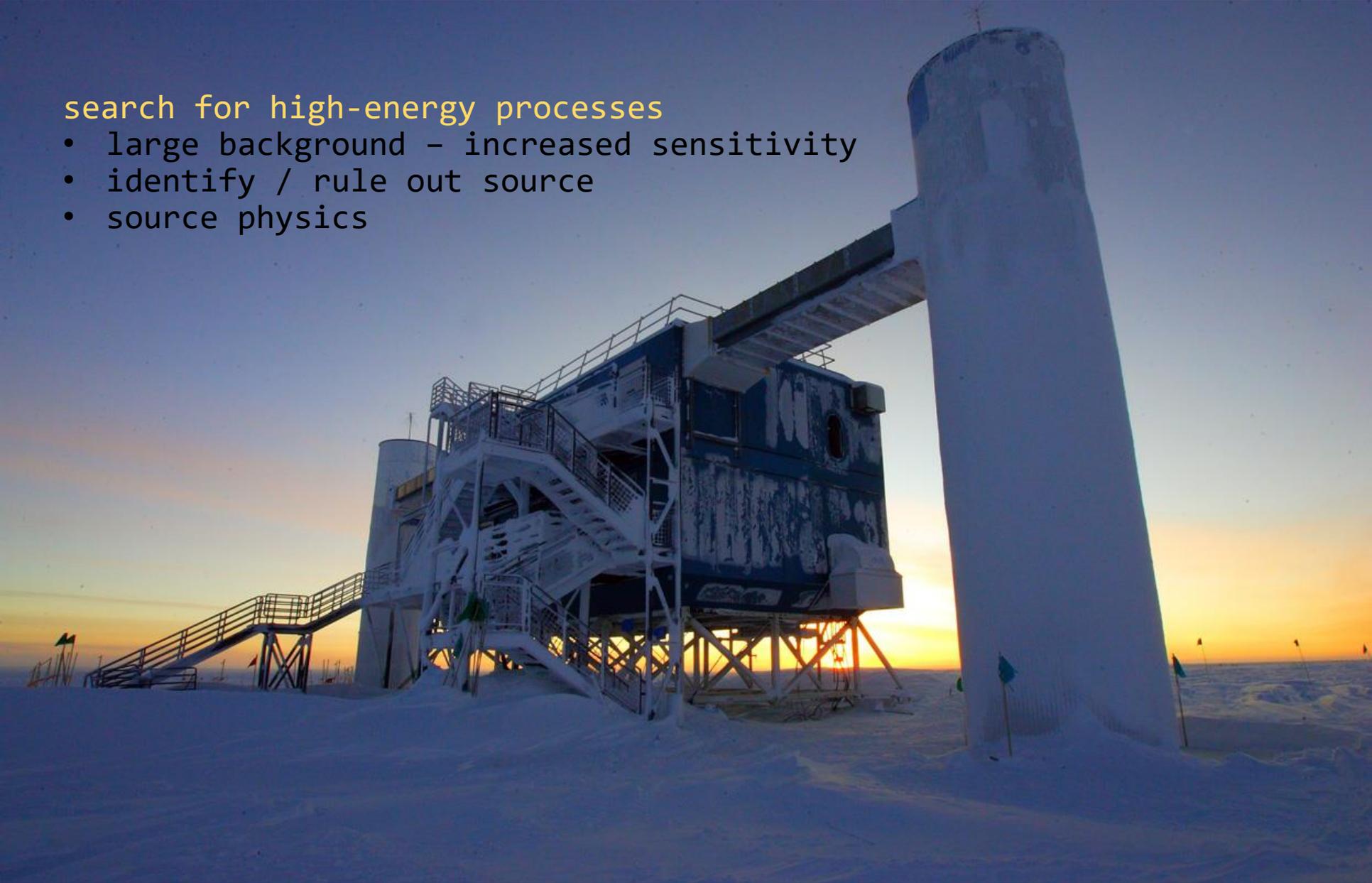
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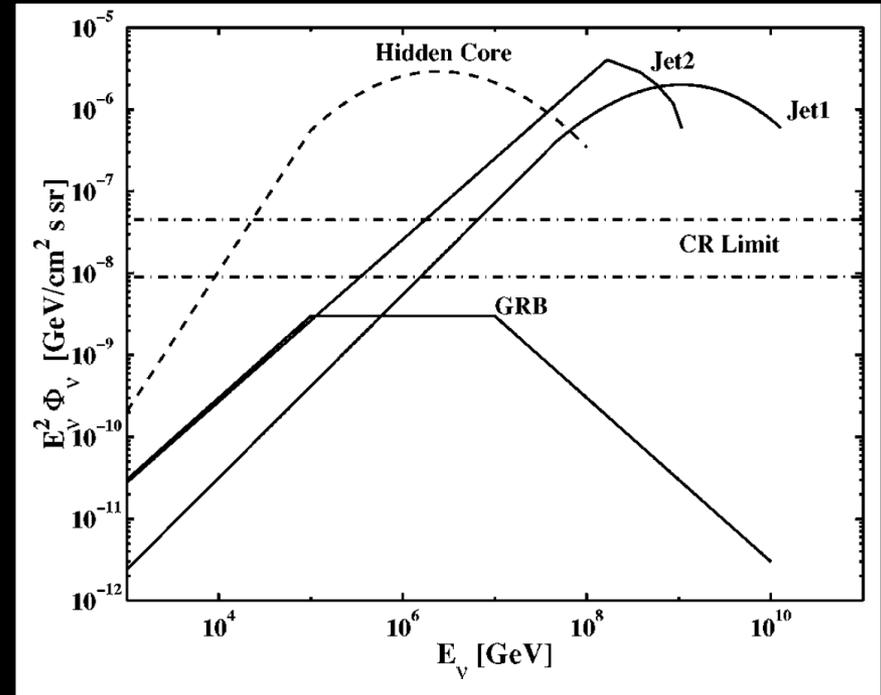
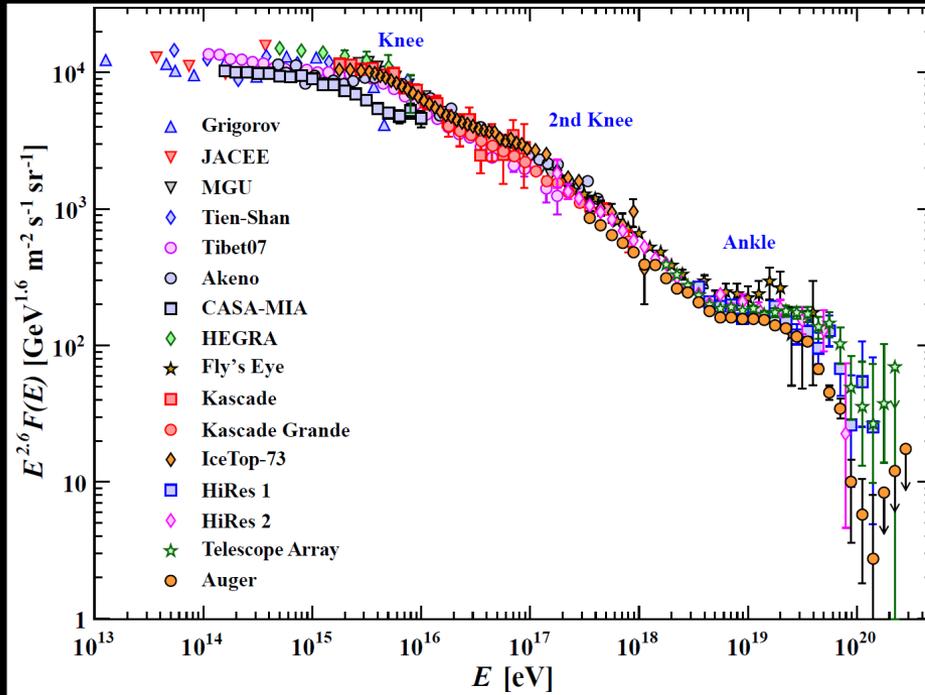
multimessenger astrophysics

search for high-energy processes

- large background – increased sensitivity
- identify / rule out source
- source physics

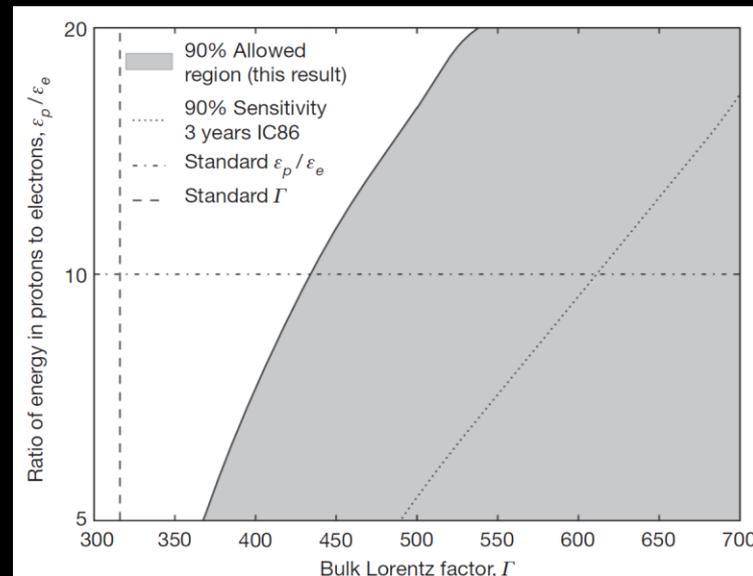
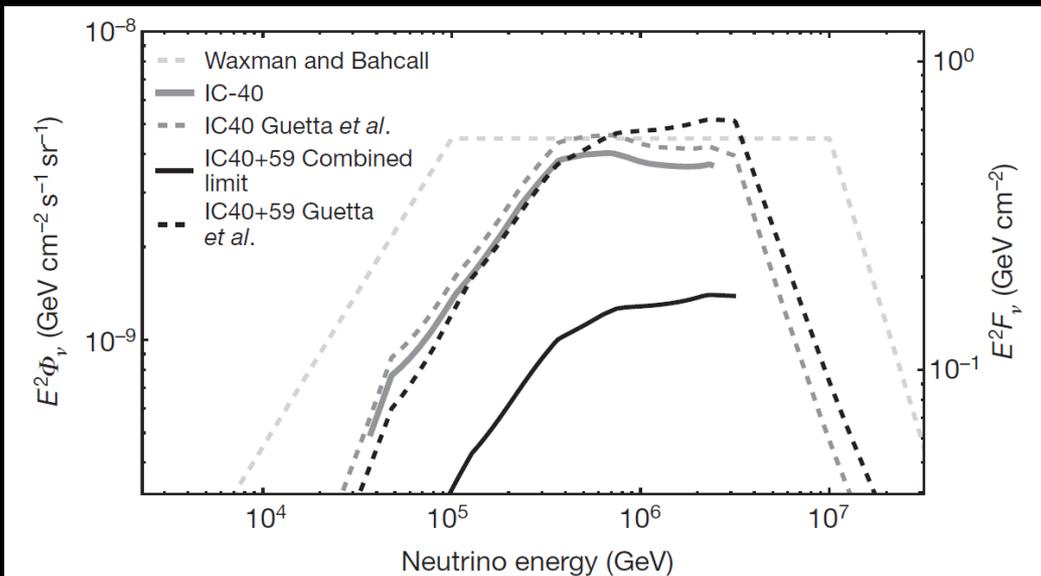


Waxman-Bahcall upper bound



Waxman & Bahcall 1998

multimessenger – GRBs



IceCube Collaboration, Nature 2012

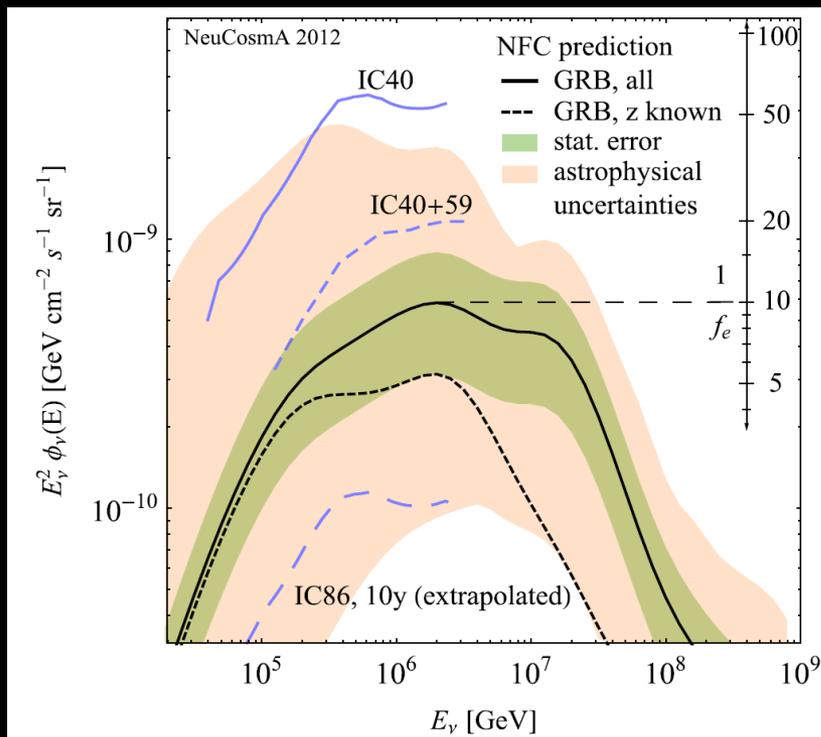
LETTER

doi:10.1038/nature11068

An absence of neutrinos associated with cosmic-ray acceleration in γ -ray bursts

IceCube Collaboration*

multimessenger – GRBs



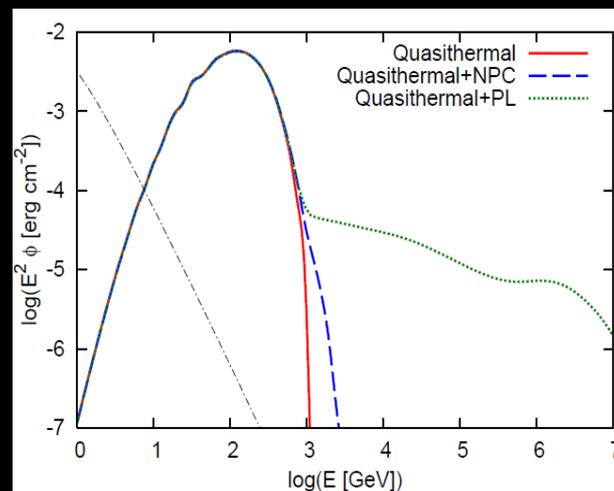
Hummer+ PRL 2012

Not yet sensitive.
Then again if it is collisionless
shock emission.

GeV neutrinos from collisional heating
promising for IceCube-DeepCore



Bartos+ PRL 2013



Murase+ PRL 2013

summary

I. IceCube

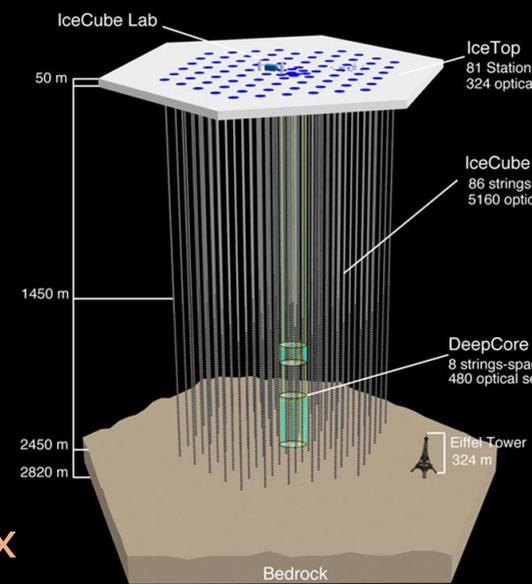
- construction complete in 2010
- km³ detector
- sensitive to Waxman-Bahcall flux

II. Observations

- no significant neutrino point source

III. Multimessenger searches

- no coincidence with GRBs
- constrain GRB parameters
- GeV neutrino search with DeepCore promising
- no significant coincidence with AGN/blazars
- no significant coincidence with supernova remnants



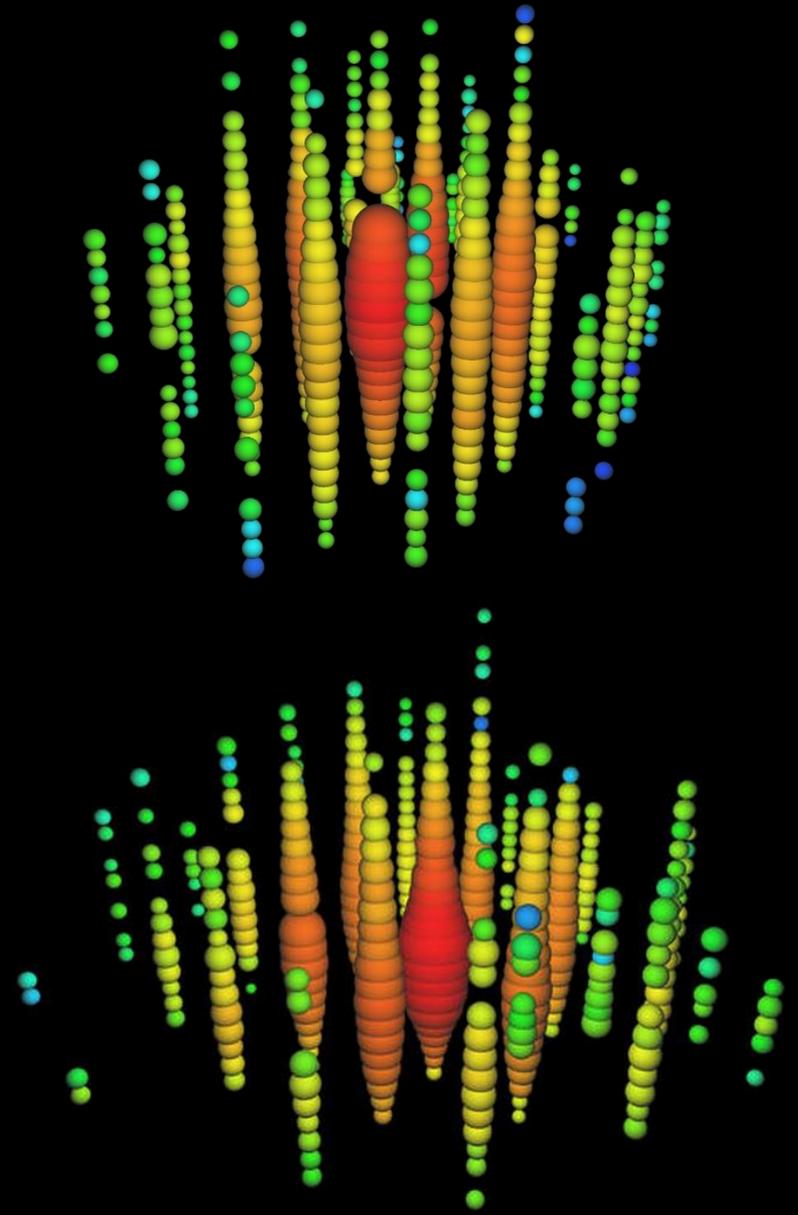
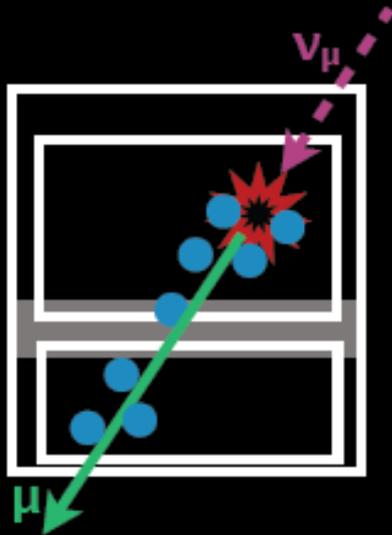
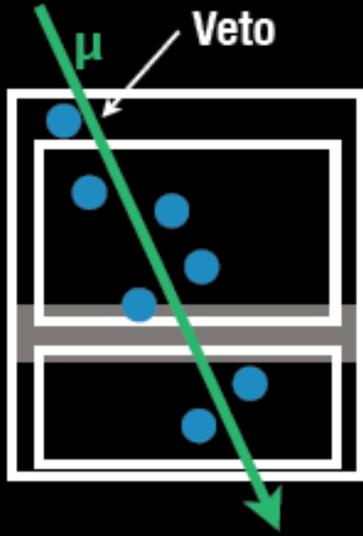
IceCube: Ultra-high Energy Neutrinos

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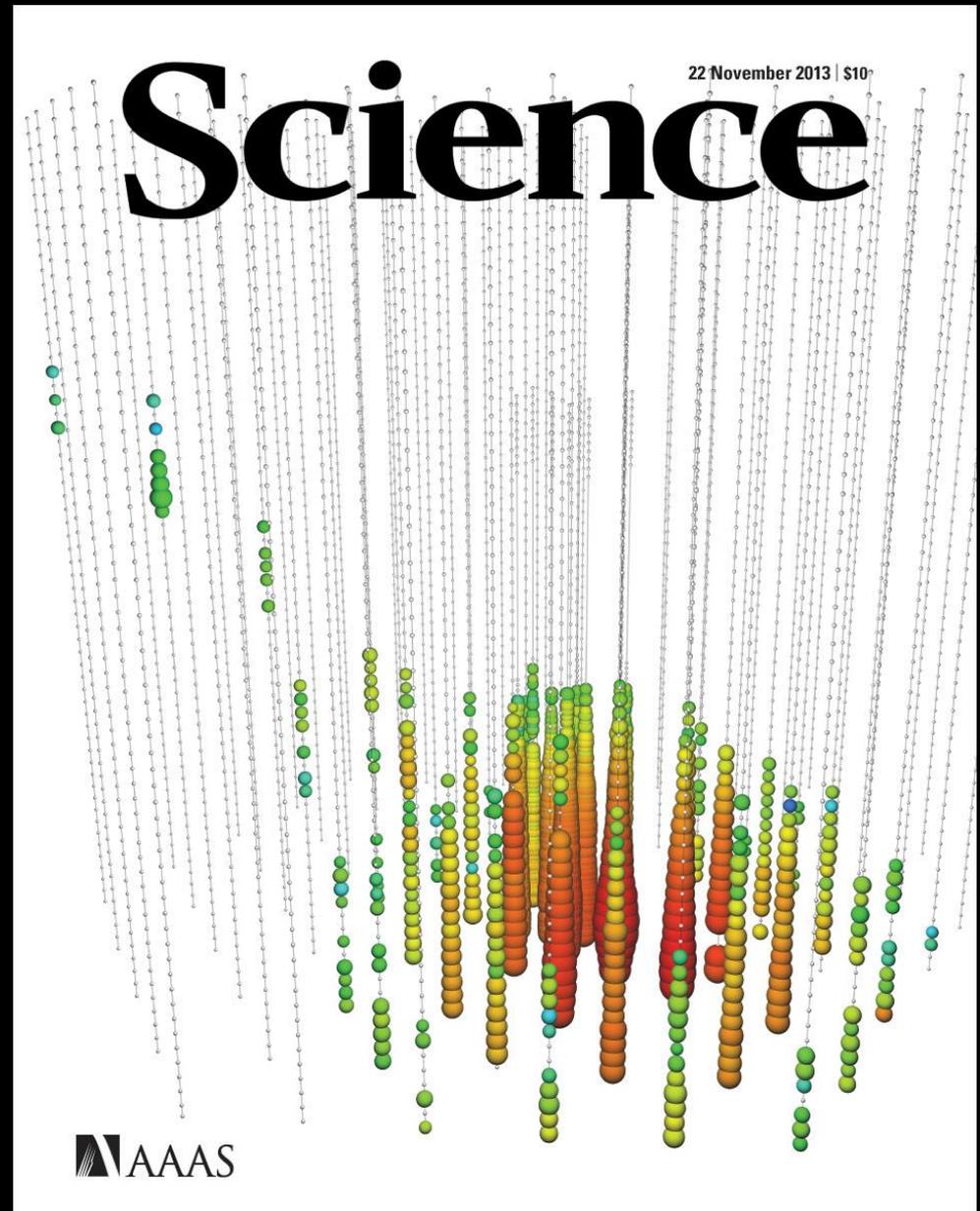
PeV neutrinos



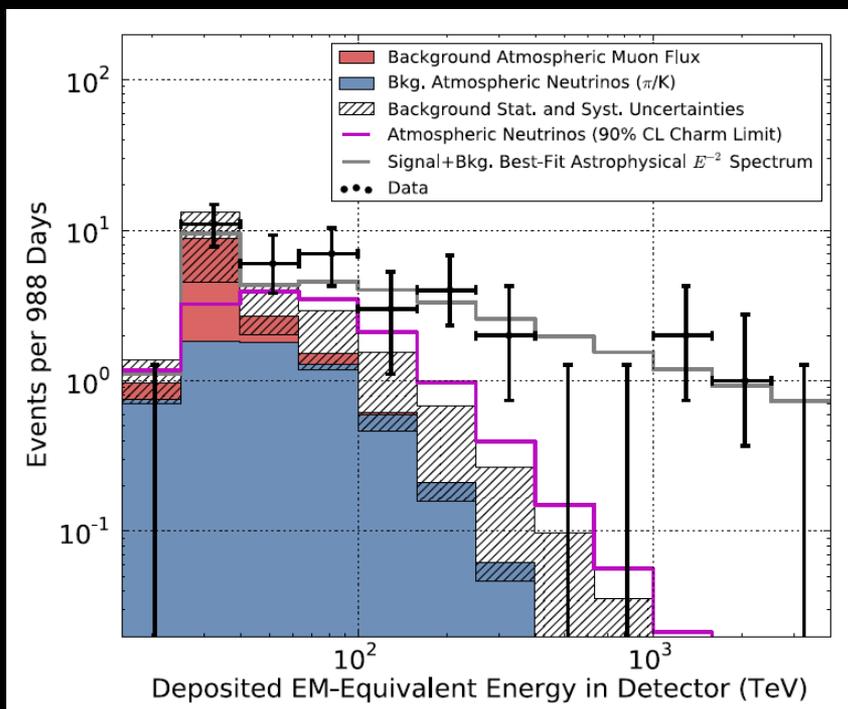
2 events, 1.0 and 1.1 PeV

PeV neutrinos

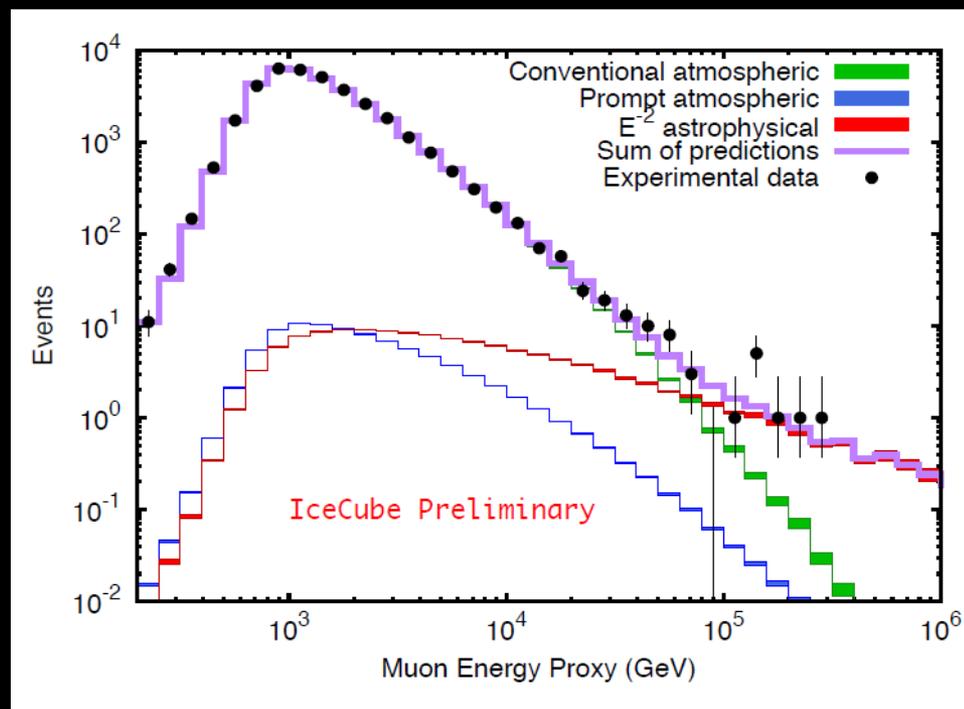
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Science front page



high-energy neutrino flux



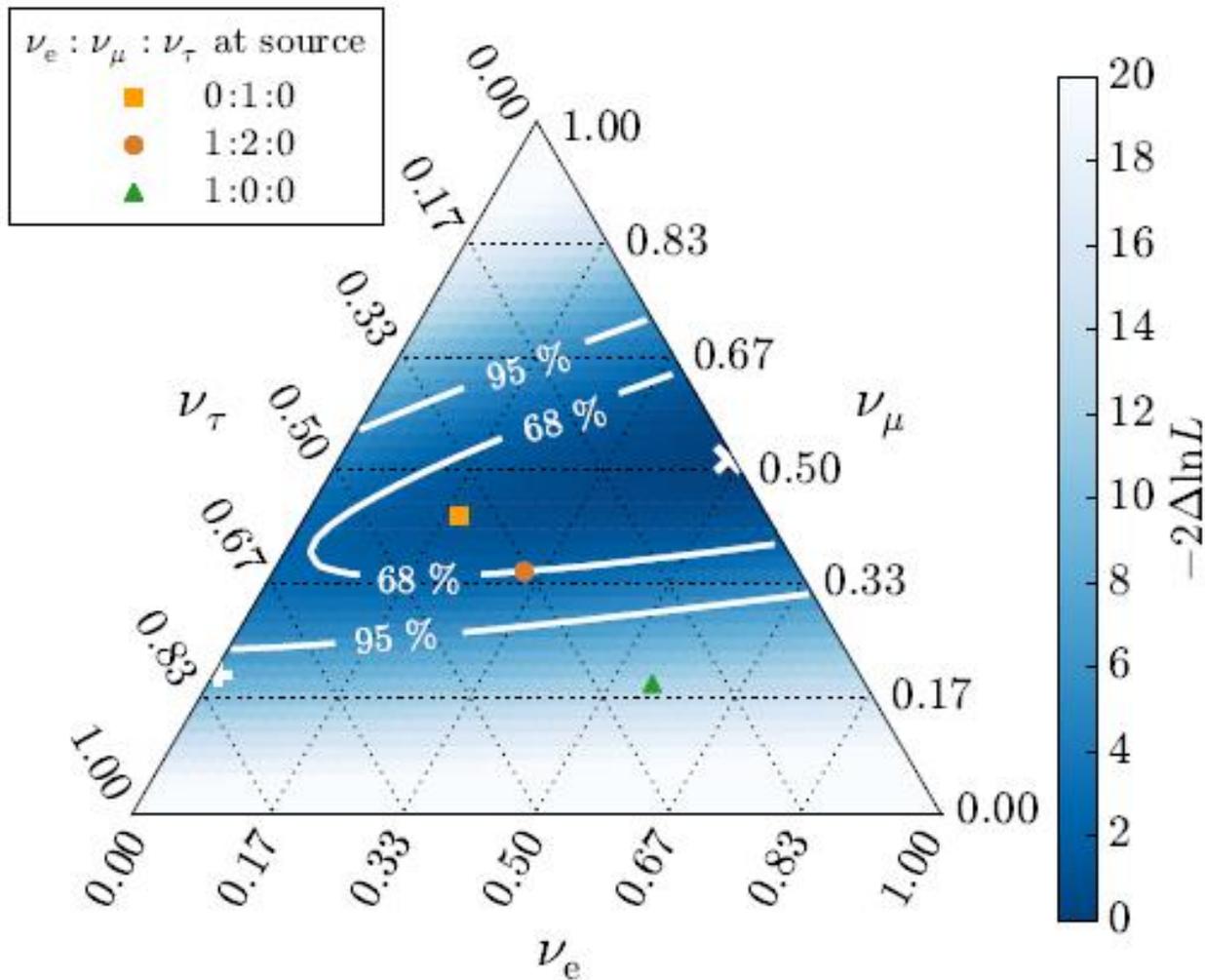
neutrinos of all flavors
interacting inside IceCube



confirmation! Flux of muon
neutrinos through the Earth

total: ~ 100 astrophysical neutrinos

flavor

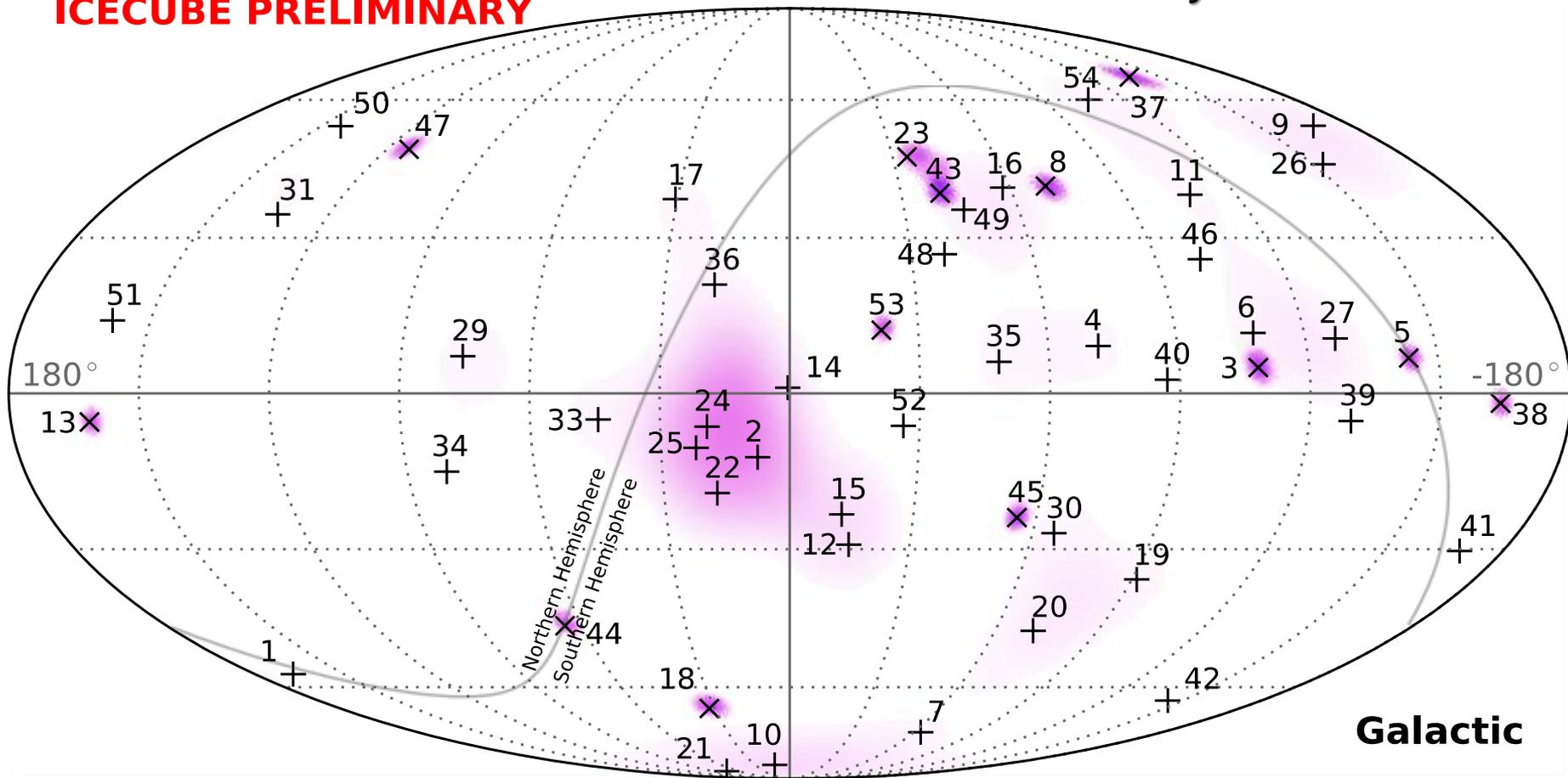


oscillate over cosmic distances to 1:1:1

where do they come from?

ICECUBE PRELIMINARY

4 years of observation



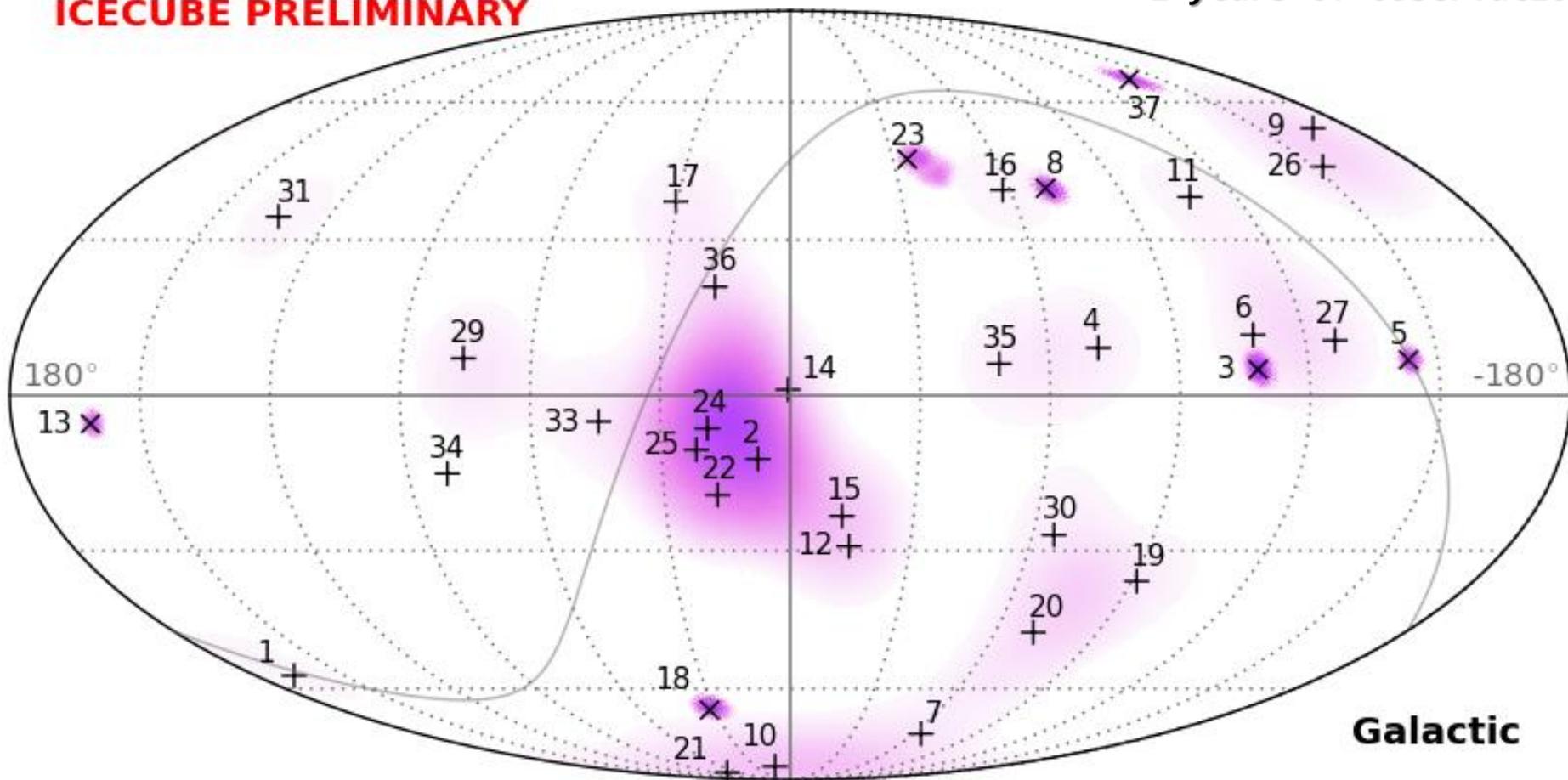
Galactic



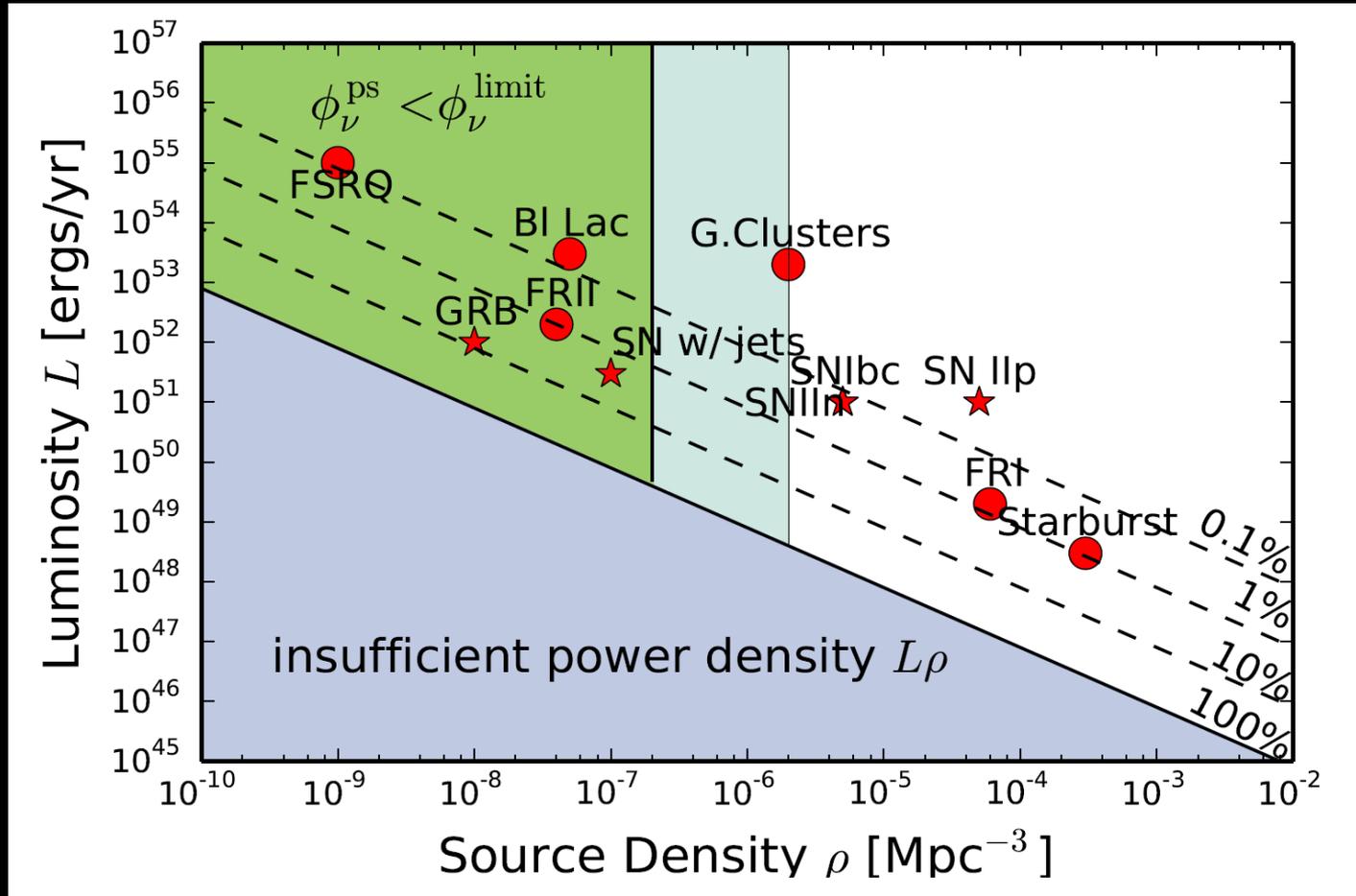
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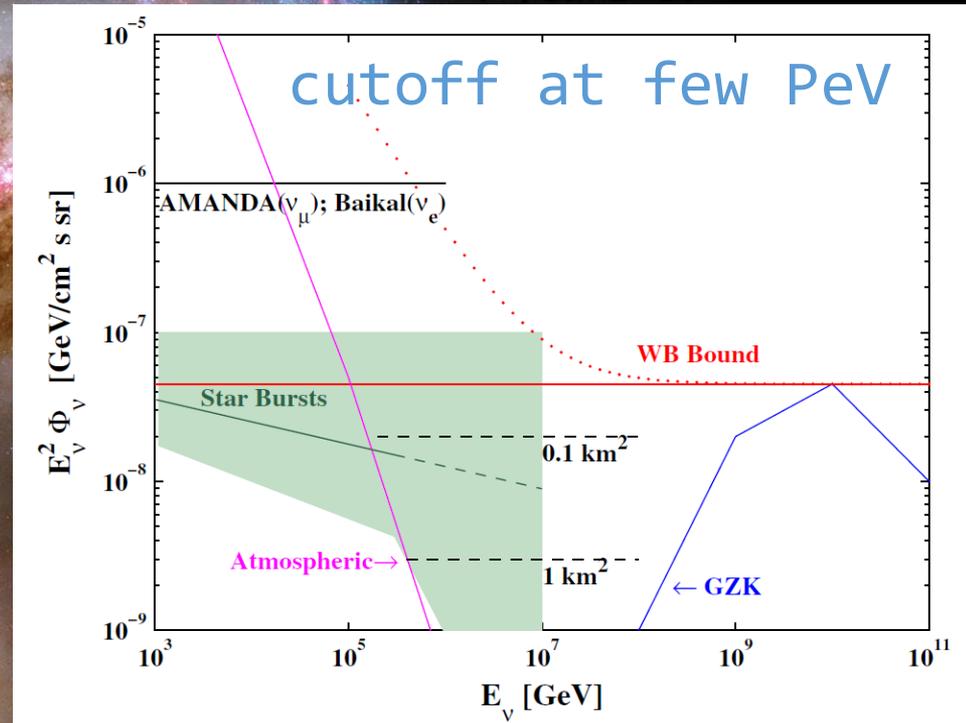


where do they come from?



many of the major source candidates
can be excluded as dominant sources
using just neutrinos!

starburst galaxies?



Loeb & Waxman 2006

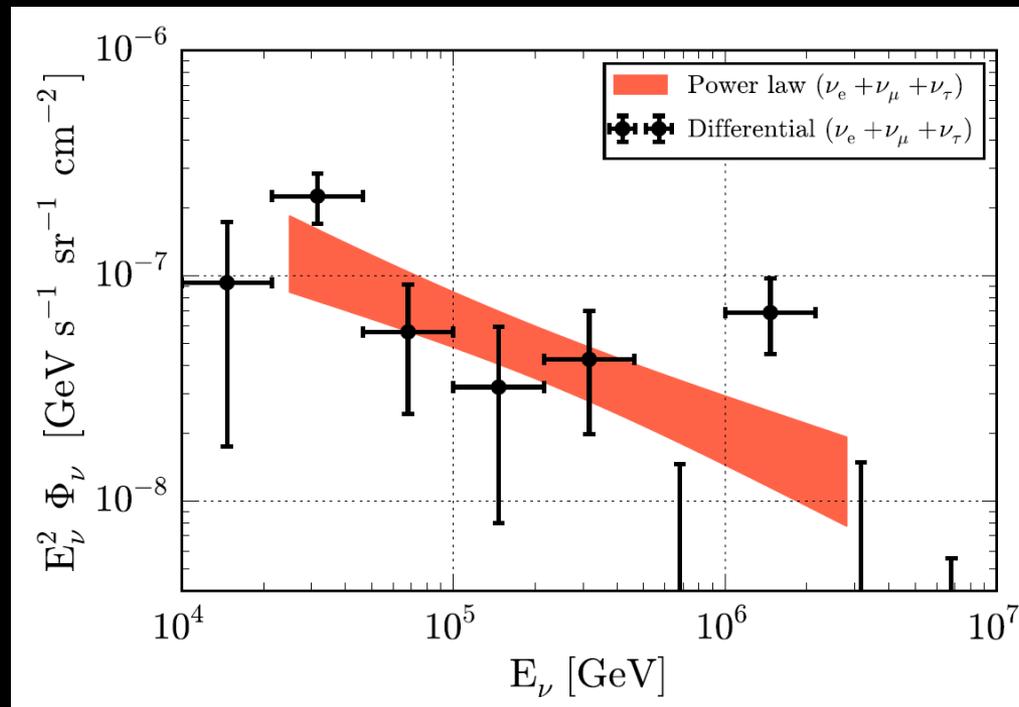
cosmic ray calorimeters.

high-star formation → cosmic ray injection

strong magnetic fields → traps cosmic rays longer

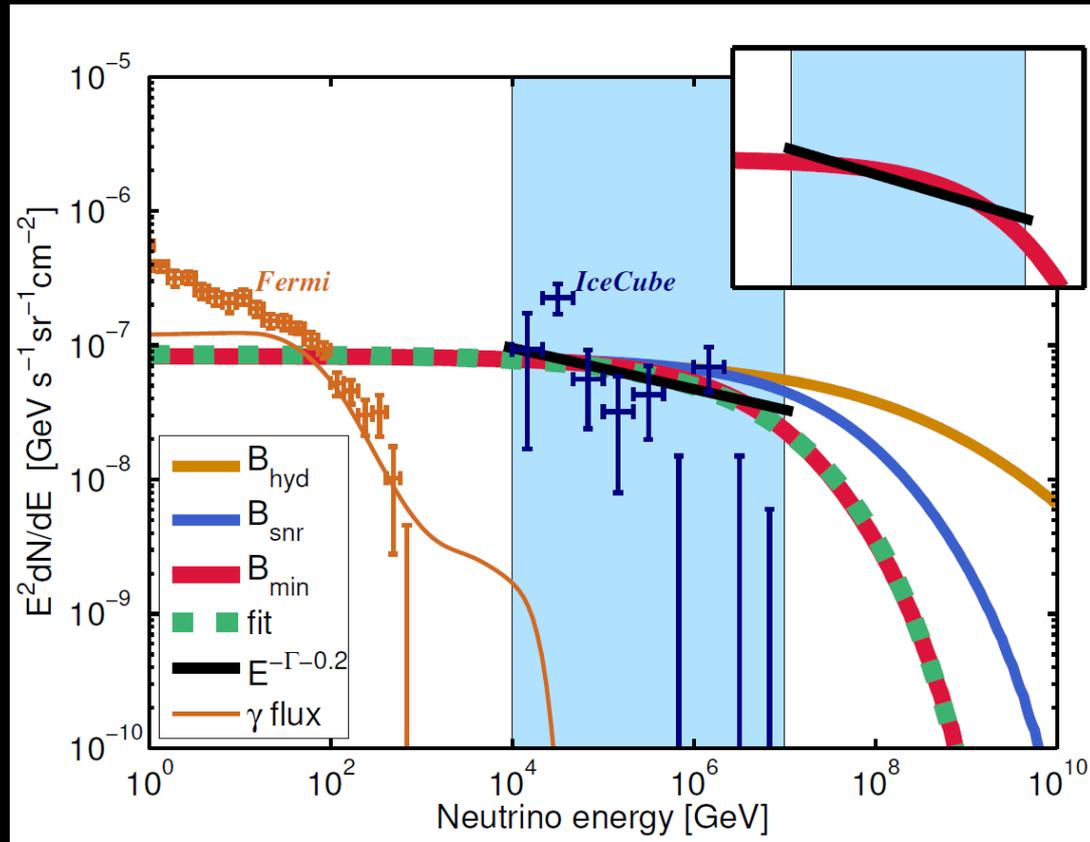
dense ISM → CRs interact.

spectral information



consistent with
 $E^{-2.5}$ power law spectrum
OR
 E^{-2} with cutoff at few PeV

spectral information

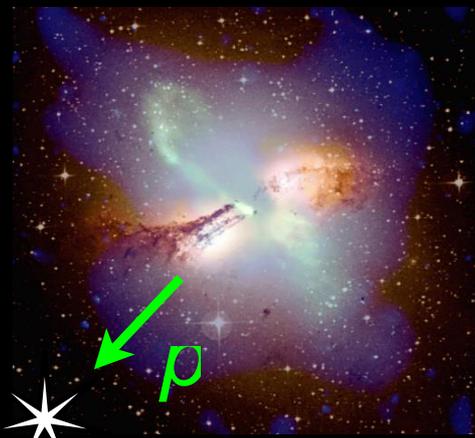


Not all starburst galaxies created equal
→ cutoff distribution
→ steeper-than-power-law spectrum

gamma rays

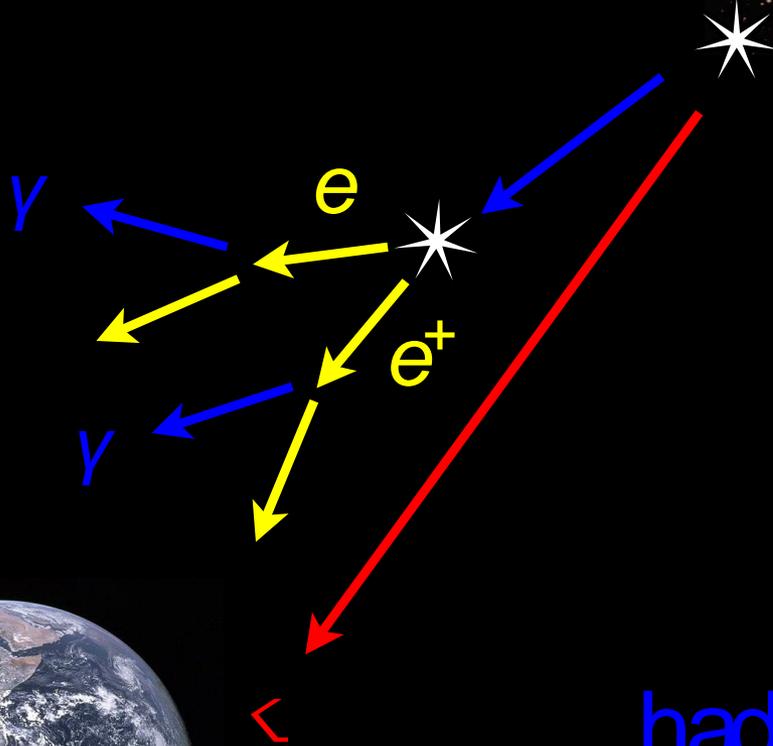
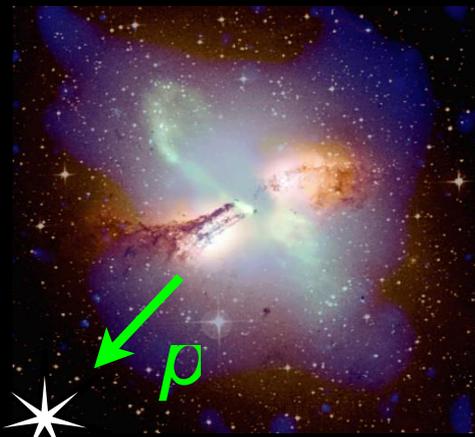
hadronic gamma rays?

$$\pi^+ = \pi^- = \pi^0$$

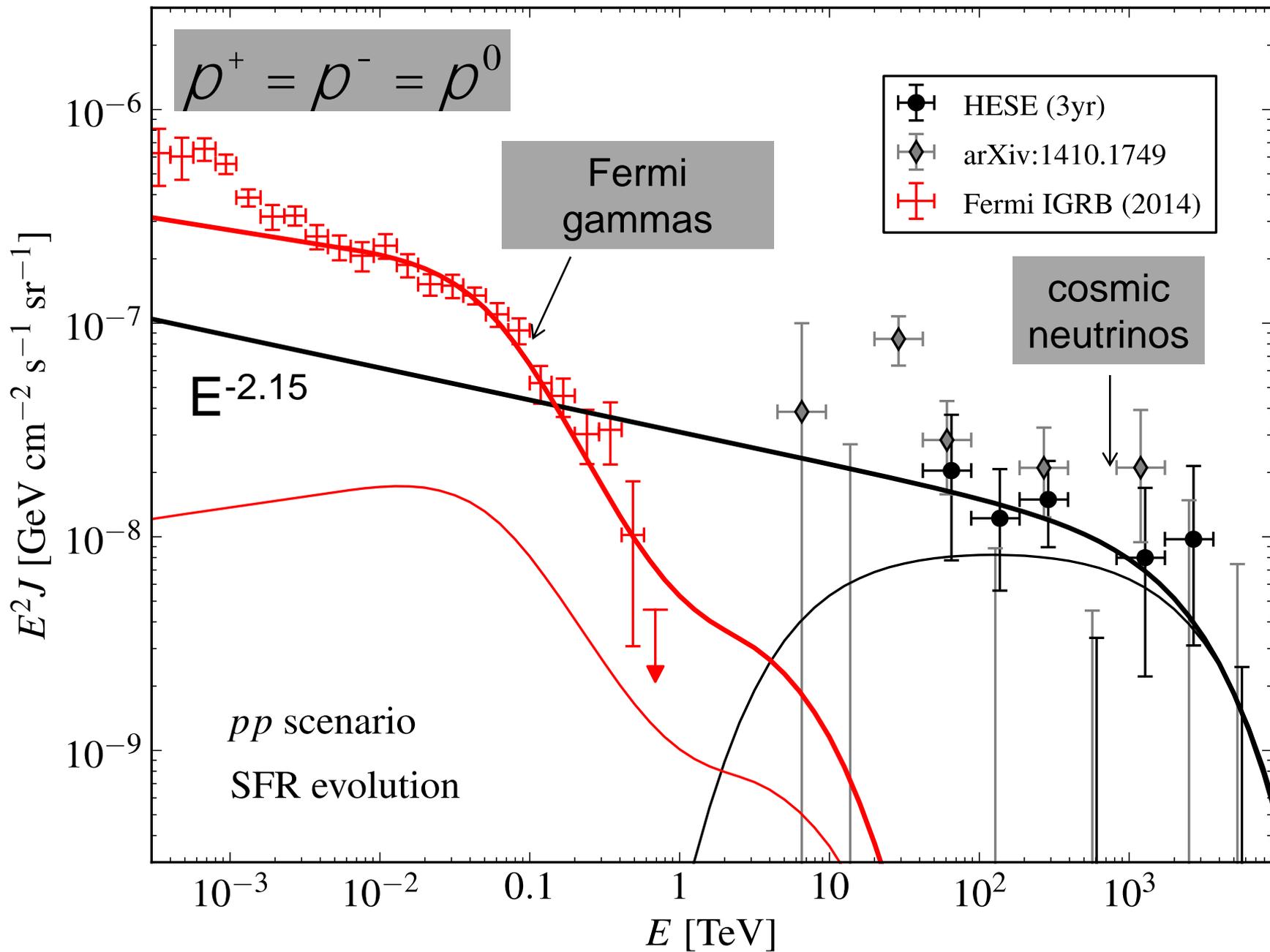


gamma rays

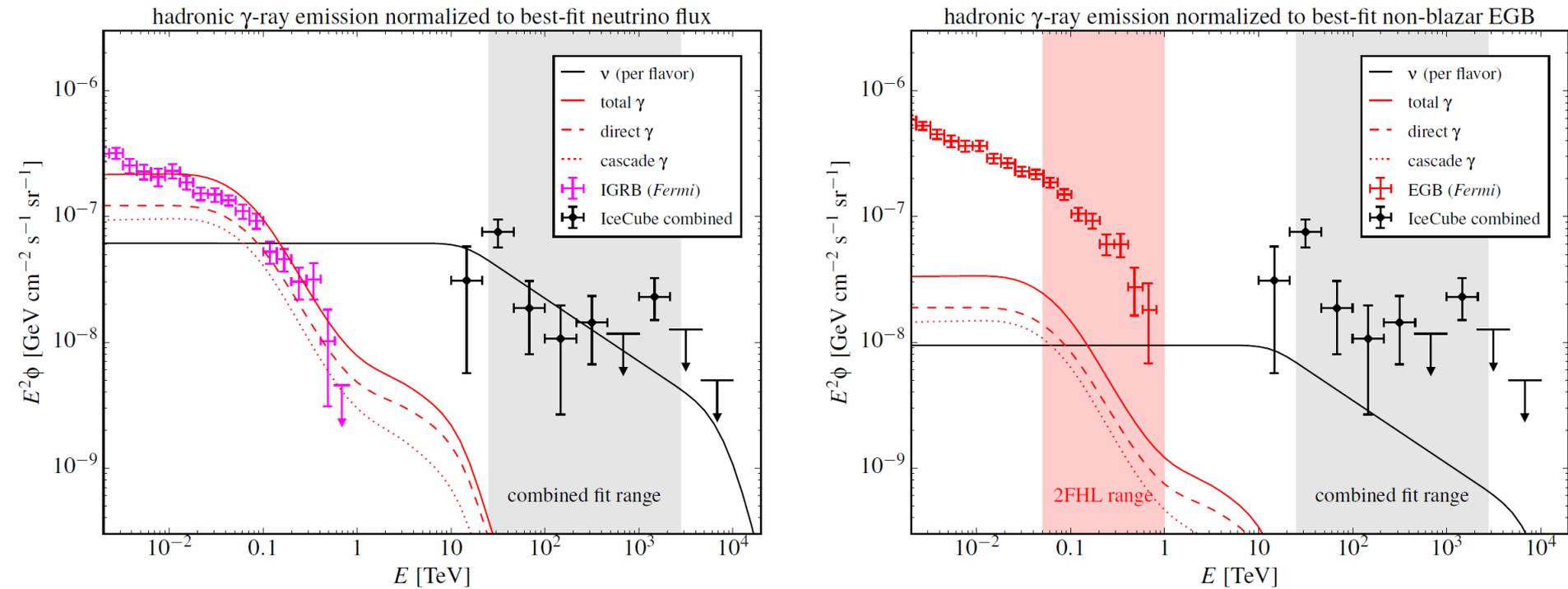
electromagnetic
cascades in CMB



hadronic
gamma rays



gamma-ray + neutrinos



Bechtol+ 2015

non-blazar diffuse gamma-ray flux
limited by Fermi-LAT to $\sim 15\%$

summary



I. Astrophysical neutrino flux discovered

- flavor ratio consistent with astro. origin

II. No source association so far

- no spatial/temporal coincidence anything!
- GRB/AGN (rare) sources excluded!

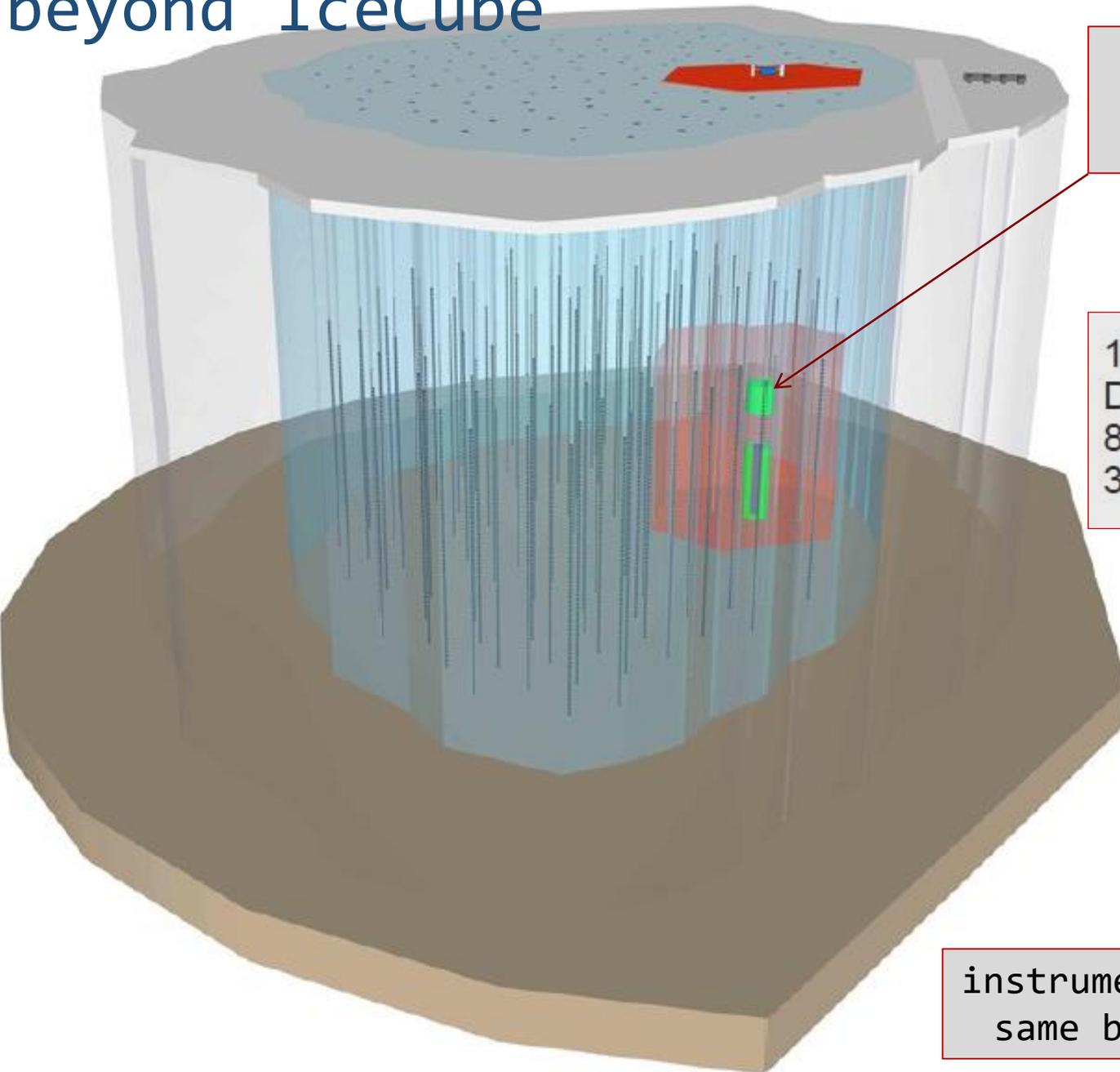
III. Starburst origin?

- spectral 'cutoff' at few PeV
- common source - difficult to find coincidence
- parameter distribution

IV. Quasi diffuse gamma-rays

- flux matches neutrino flux
- dominated by blazars → ???

beyond IceCube



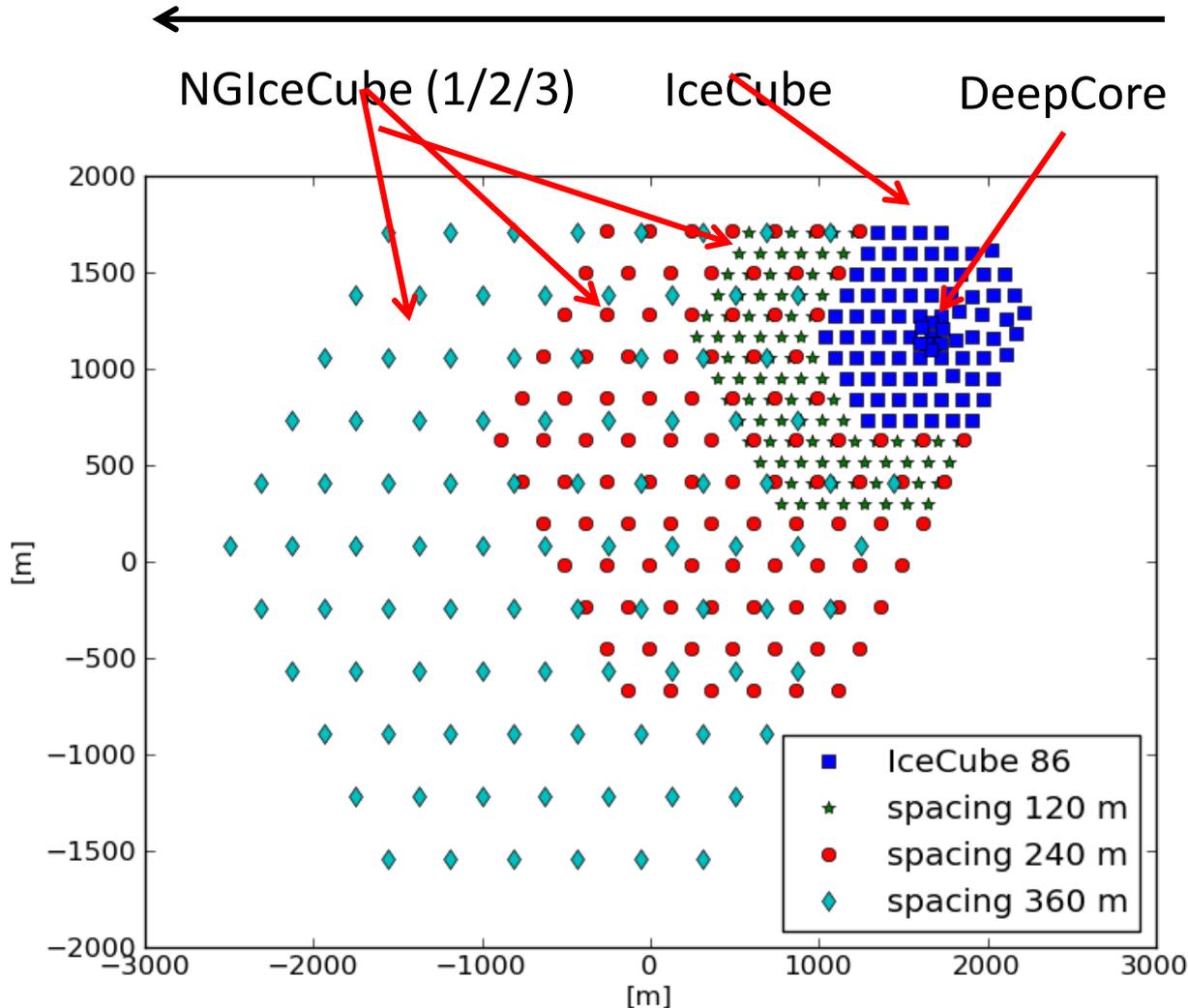
PINGU infill
40 strings
GeV threshold

120 strings
Depth 1.35 to 2.7 km
80 DOMs/string
300 m spacing

instrumented volume: x 10
same budget as IceCube

measured optical properties → twice the string spacing

(increase in threshold not important: only eliminates energies where the atmospheric background dominates)



Spacing 1 (120m):
IceCube (1 km³)
+ 98 strings (1,3 km³)
= 2,3 km³

Spacing 2 (240m):
IceCube (1 km³)
+ 99 strings (5,3 km³)
= 6,3 km³

Spacing 3 (360m):
IceCube (1 km³)
+ 95 strings (11,6 km³)
= 12,6 km³

ANTARES → KM3NeT



did not talk about...

- measurement of atmospheric oscillation parameters
- supernova detection
- searches for dark matter, monopoles,...
- search for eV-mass sterile neutrinos
- PINGU/ORCA
- ...

IceCube

*a new window onto the
high-energy universe
is just opening*

