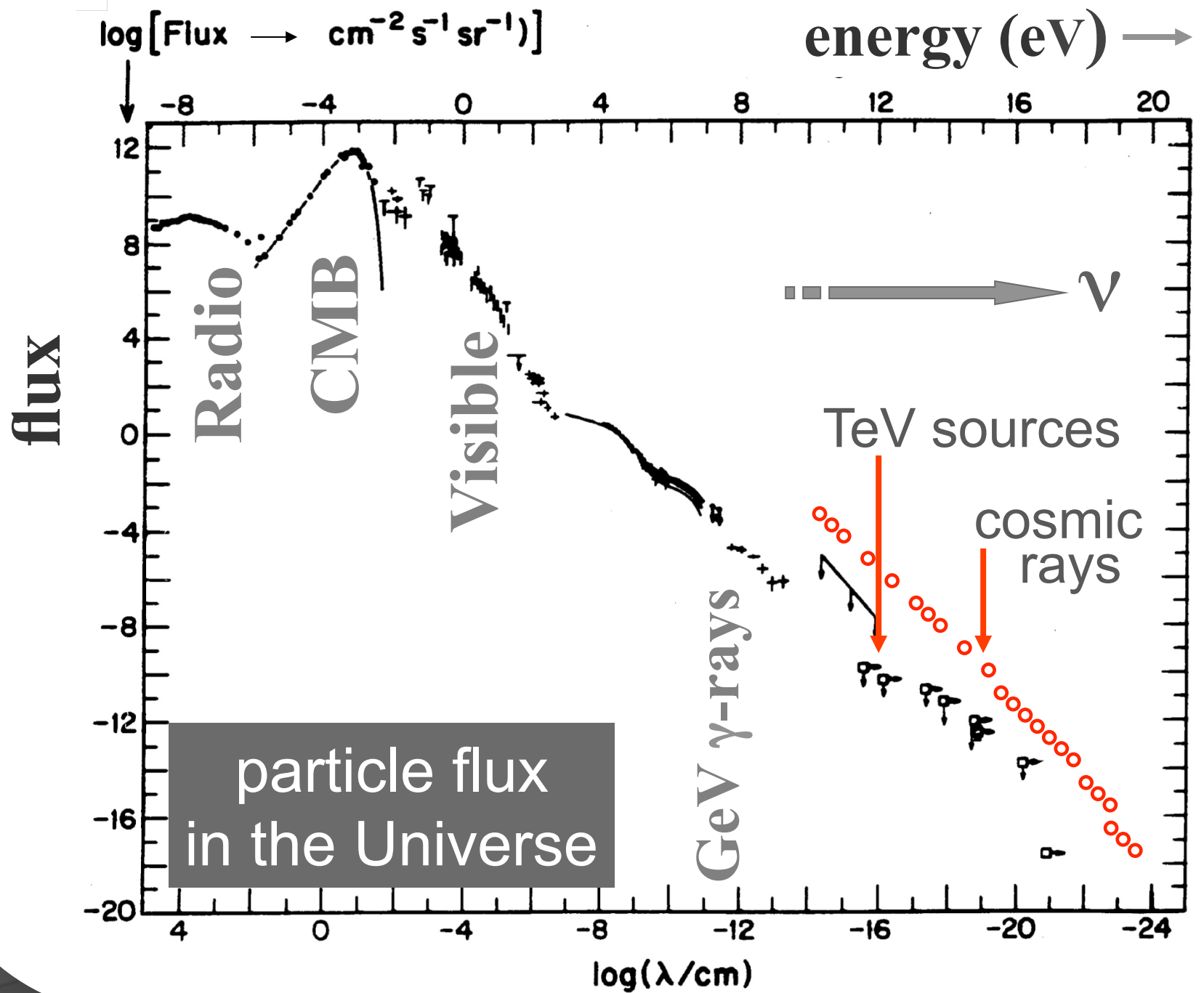




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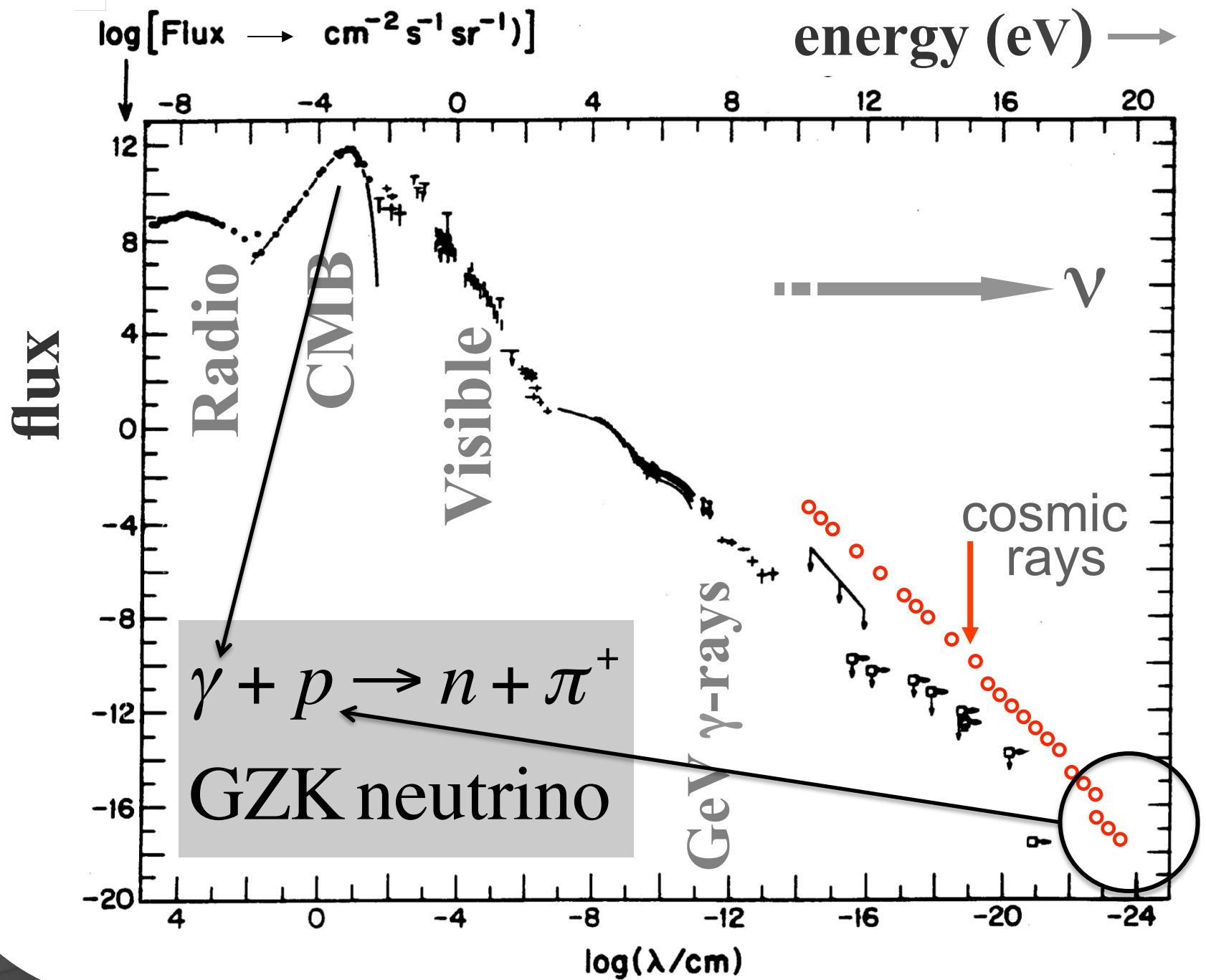


neutrino as a cosmic messenger:

- electrically neutral
- essentially massless
- essentially unabsorbed
- tracks nuclear processes
- ... but difficult to detect

Telescope	User	date	Intended Use	Actual use
Optical	Galileo	1608	Navigation	Moons of Jupiter
Optical	Hubble	1929	Nebulae	Expanding Universe
Radio	Jansky	1932	Noise	Radio galaxies
Micro-wave	Penzias, Wilson	1965	Radio-galaxies, noise	3K cosmic background
X-ray	Giacconi ...	1965	Sun, moon	neutron stars accreting binaries
Radio	Hewish, Bell	1967	Ionosphere	Pulsars
γ -rays	military	1960?	Thermonuclear explosions	Gamma ray bursts

new window on the Universe : discovery instrument



cosmic rays interact with the
microwave background

$$p + \gamma \rightarrow n + \pi^+ \text{ and } p + \pi^0$$

cosmic rays disappear, neutrinos with
EeV (10^{18} eV) energy appear

$$\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \{e + \nu_{\mu} + \nu_e\} + \nu_{\mu}$$

1 event per cubic kilometer per year
...but it points at its source!

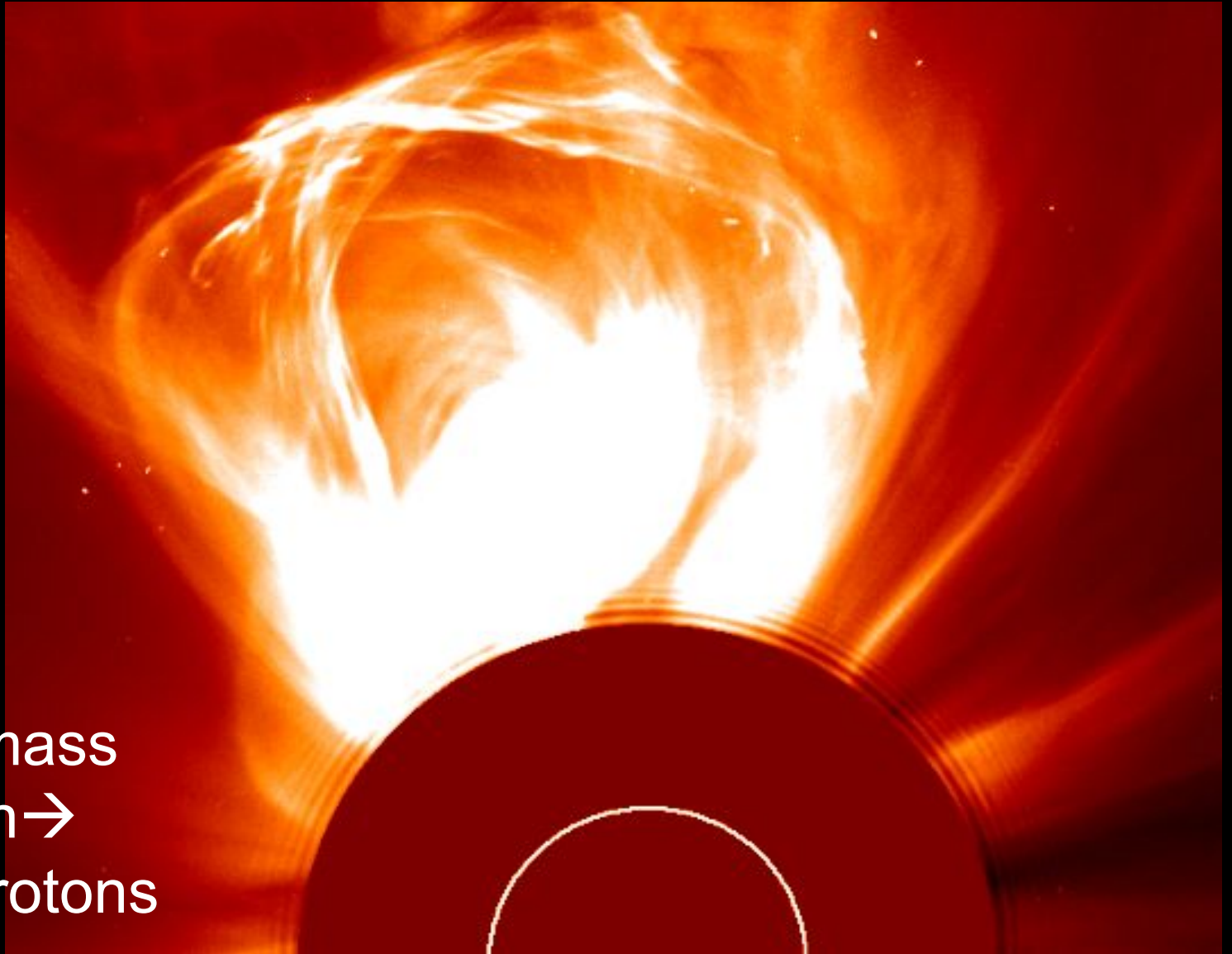


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the sun constructs an accelerator



coronal mass
ejection →
10 GeV protons

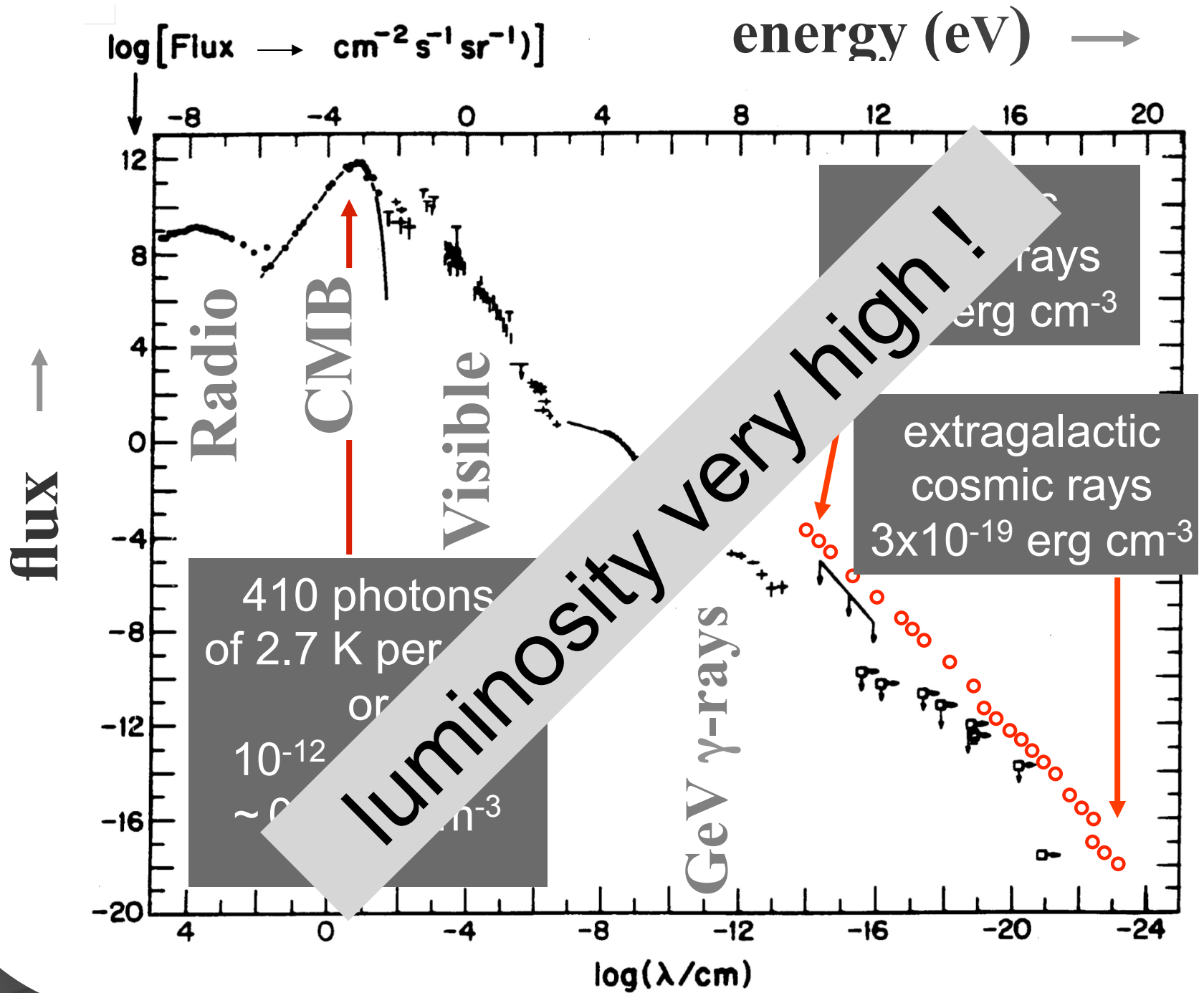
Hillas formula :

- accelerator must contain the particles

$$R_{gyro} \left(= \frac{E}{vqB} \right) \leq R$$

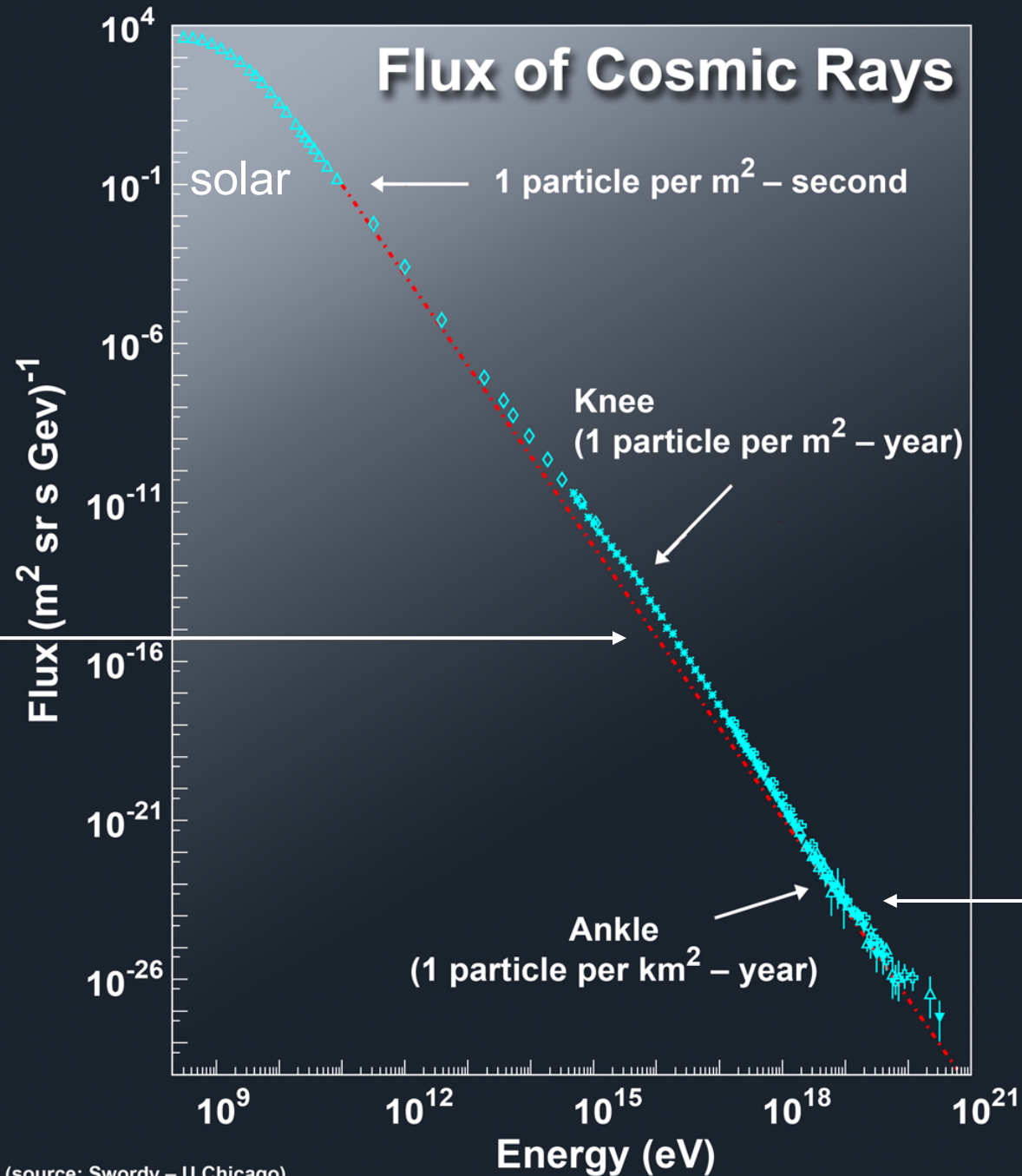
$$E \leq v qBR$$

- dimensional analysis, difficult to satisfy



sources that
accommodate
the observed
energy budget

Galactic:
supernova
remnants?

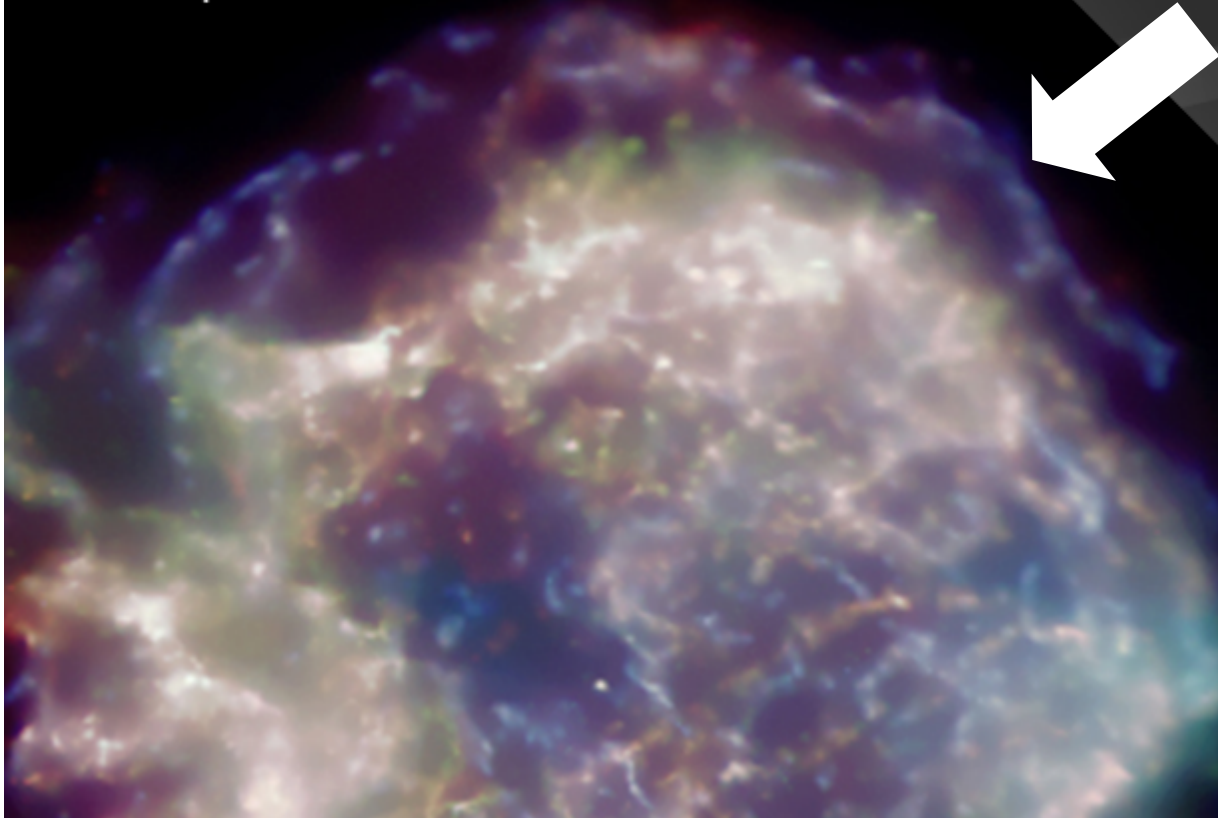


extragalactic:

- gamma ray bursts??
- active galaxies?

supernova remnants

Chandra
Cassiopeia A



Chandra
SN 1006



ON SUPER-NOVAE

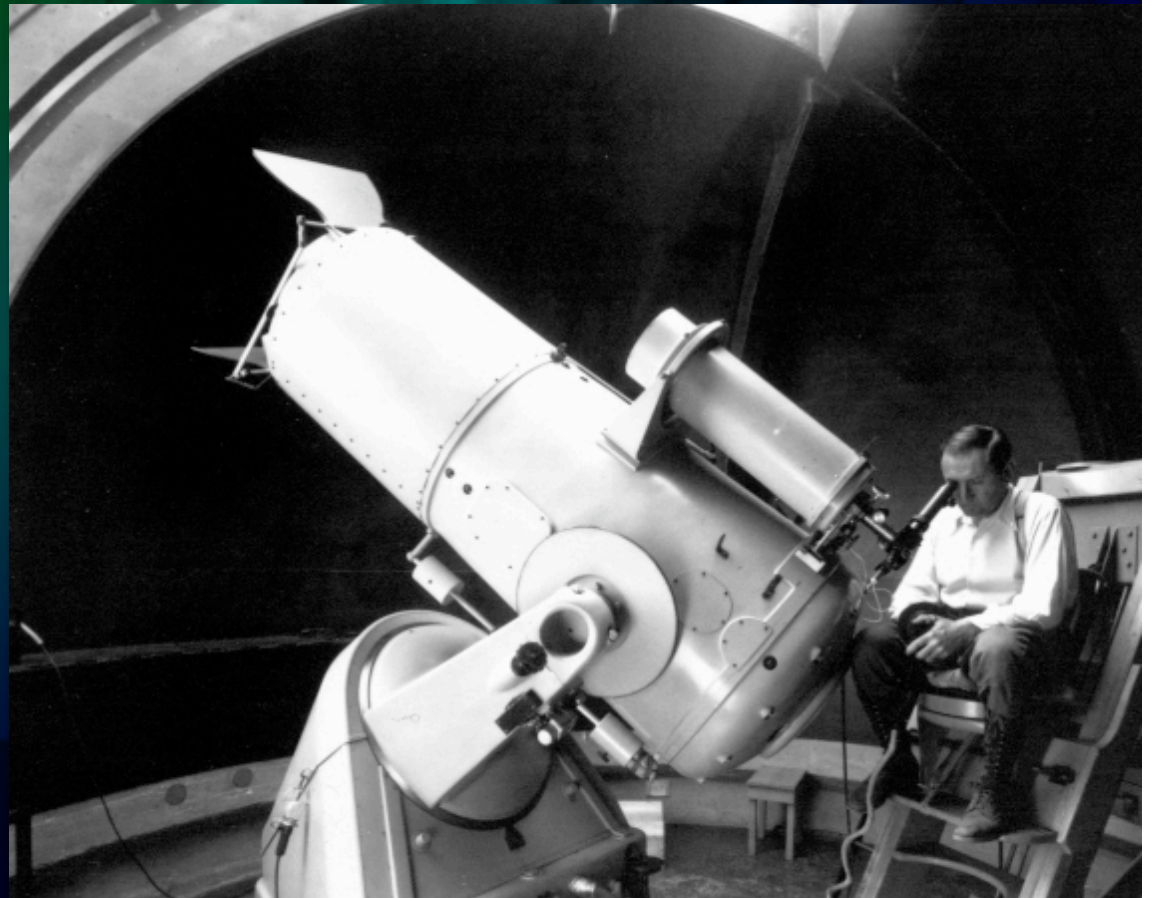
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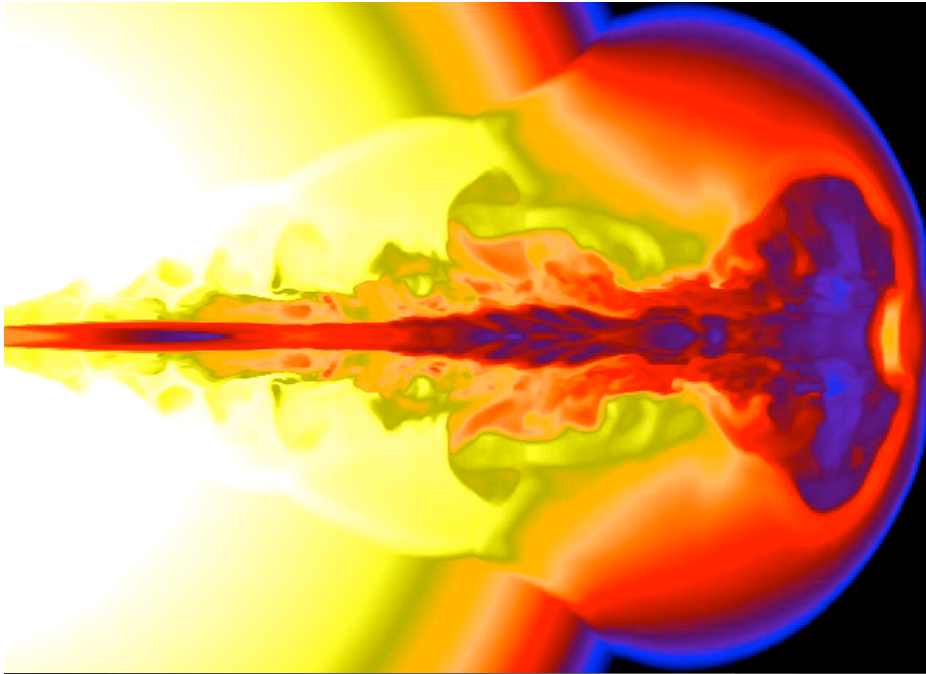
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Communicated March 19, 1934



Scanned at the American
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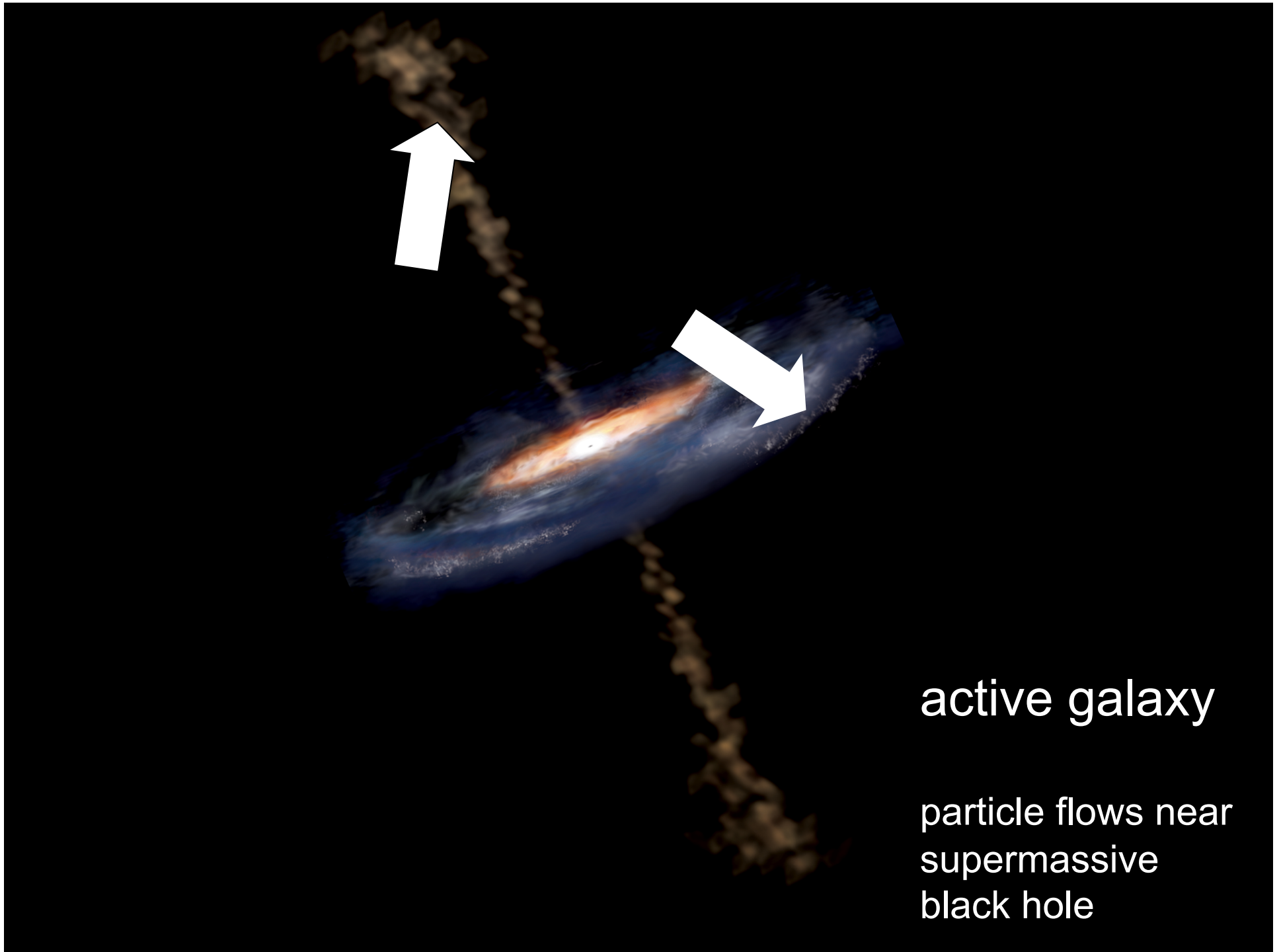




...and if the star collapses to
a black hole...
gamma ray burst

- ✓ happens in seconds
not thousands of year
- ✓ beamed along the spin
axis of the black hole
- ✓ simulation not image
- ✓ ? IceCube, Nature 2011





active galaxy

particle flows near
supermassive
black hole



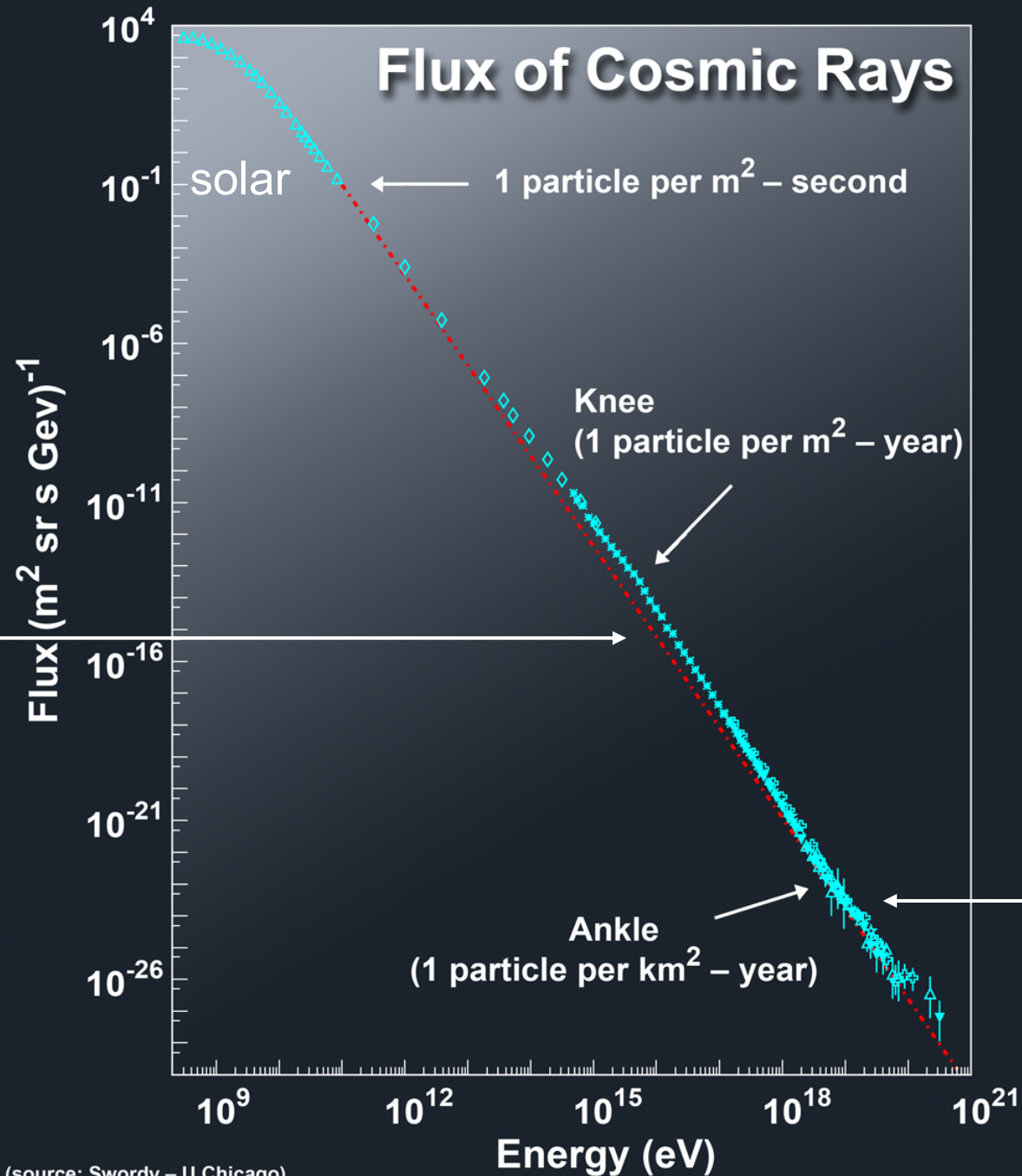
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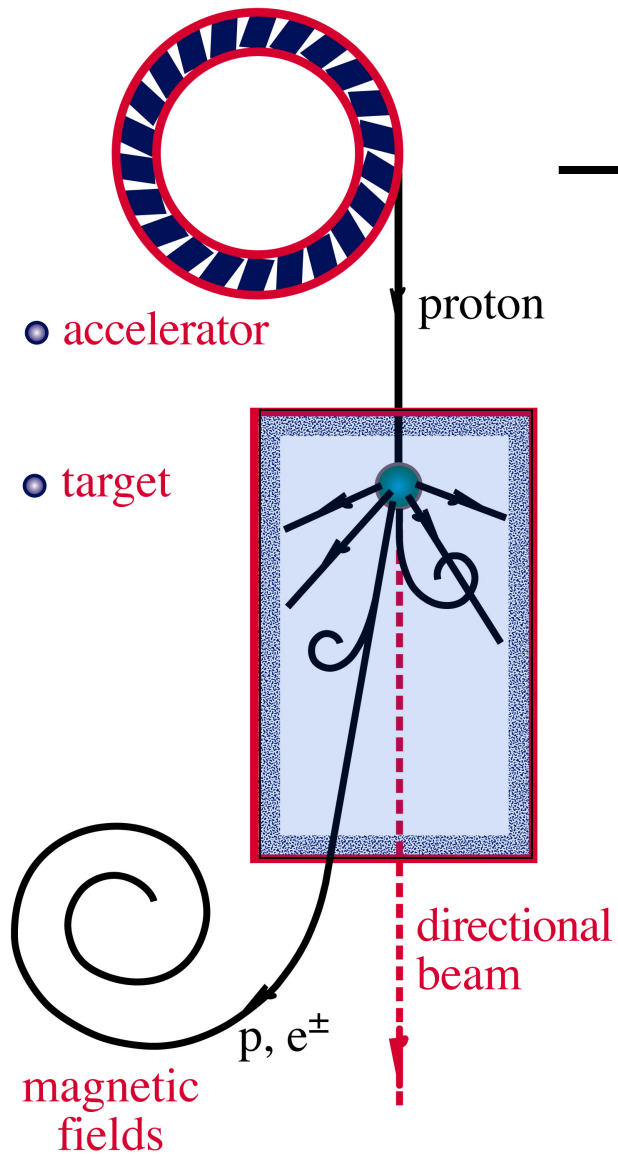
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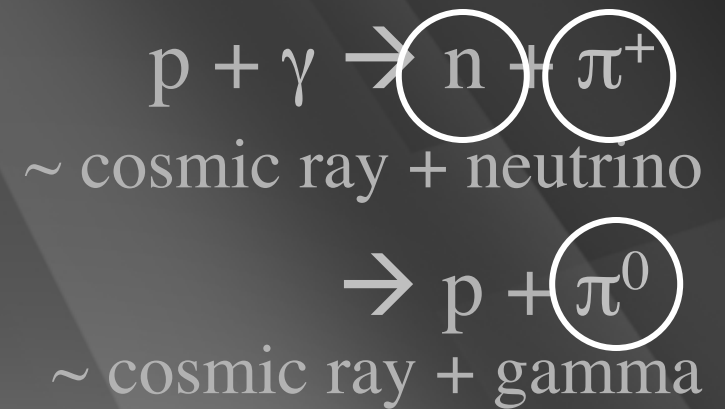


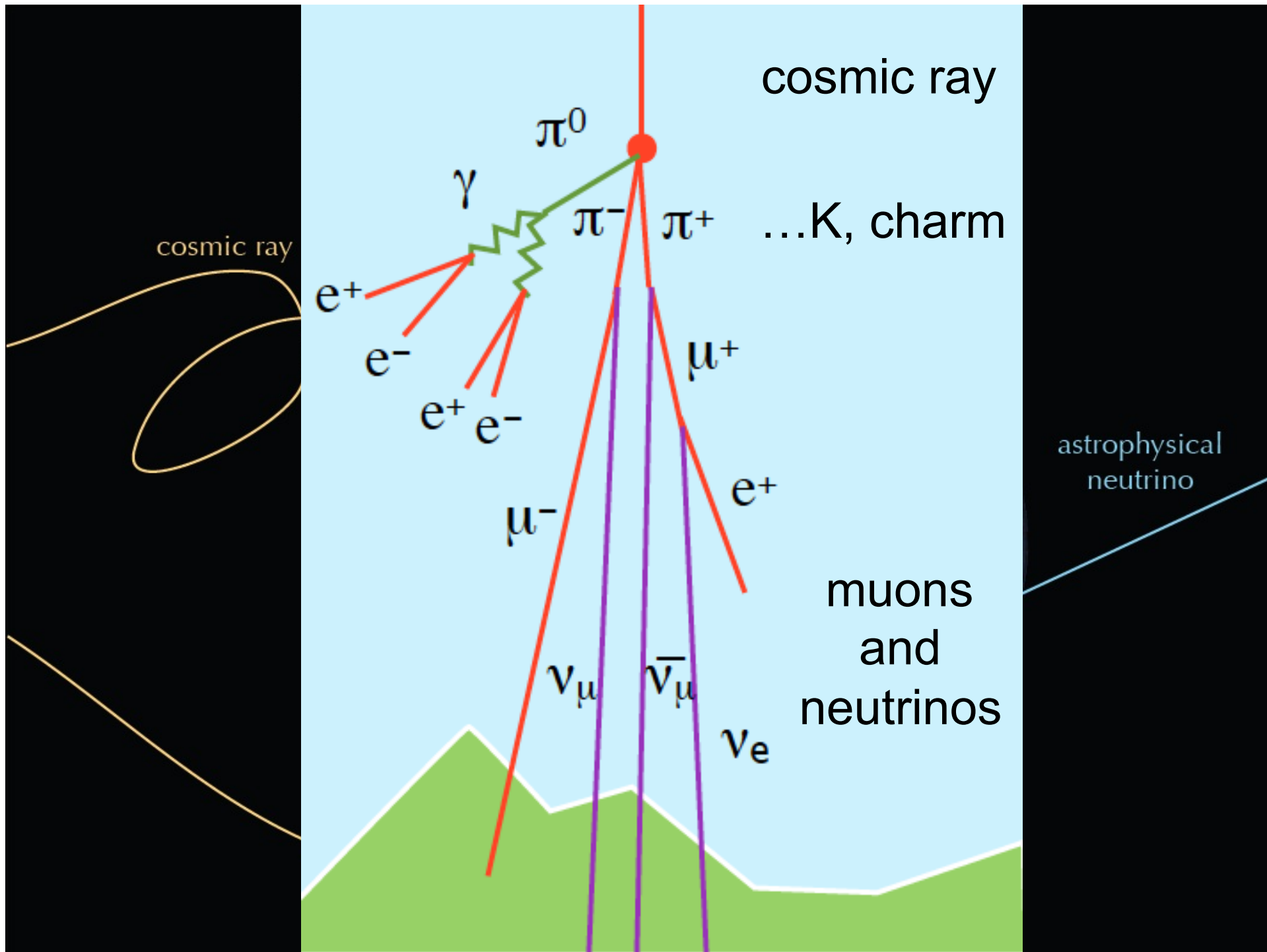
ν and γ beams : heaven and earth

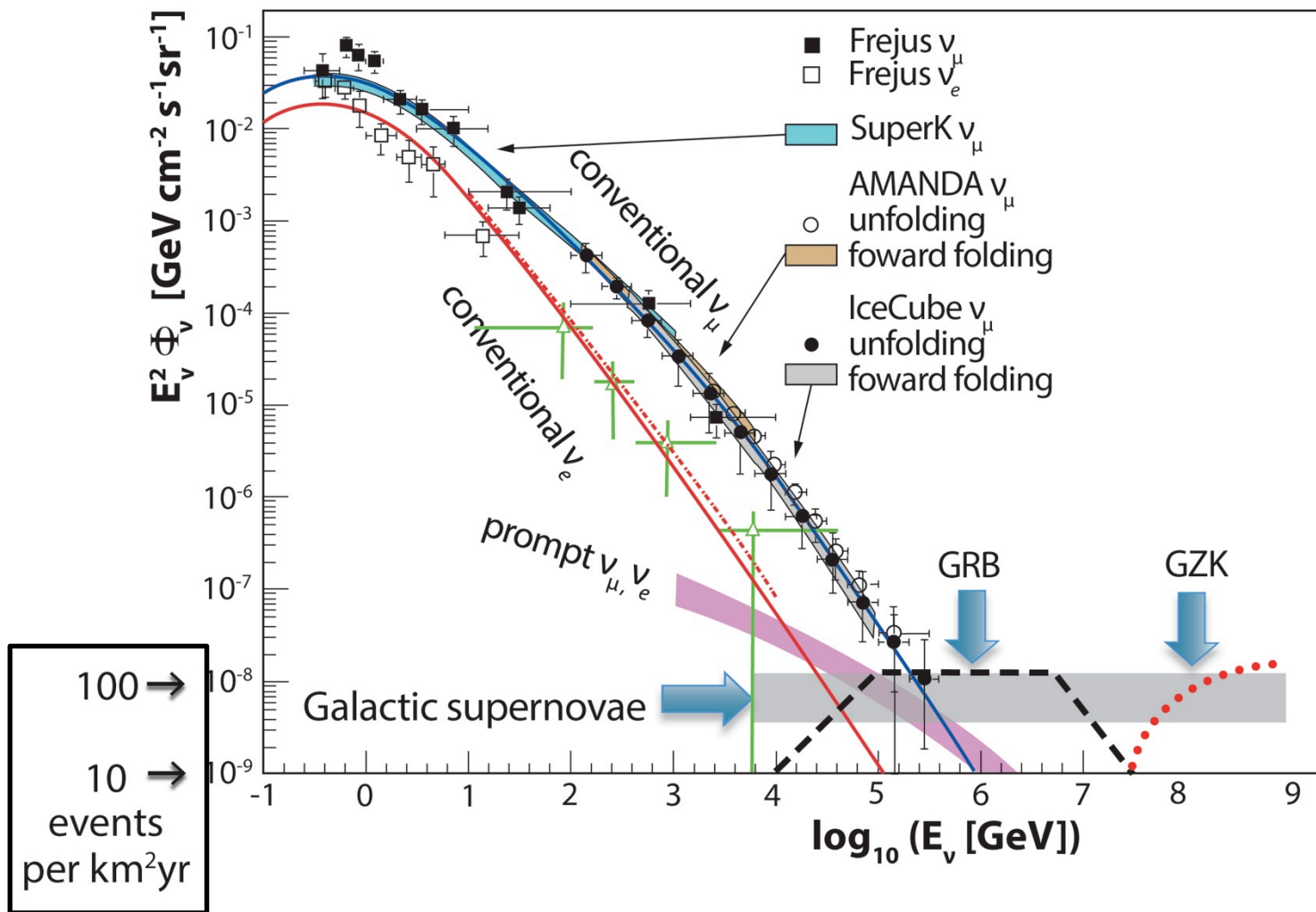


**black hole
neutron star**

**radiation
and dust**







$$\Phi_\nu \equiv \frac{dN}{dE} \approx \frac{1}{E^2}$$



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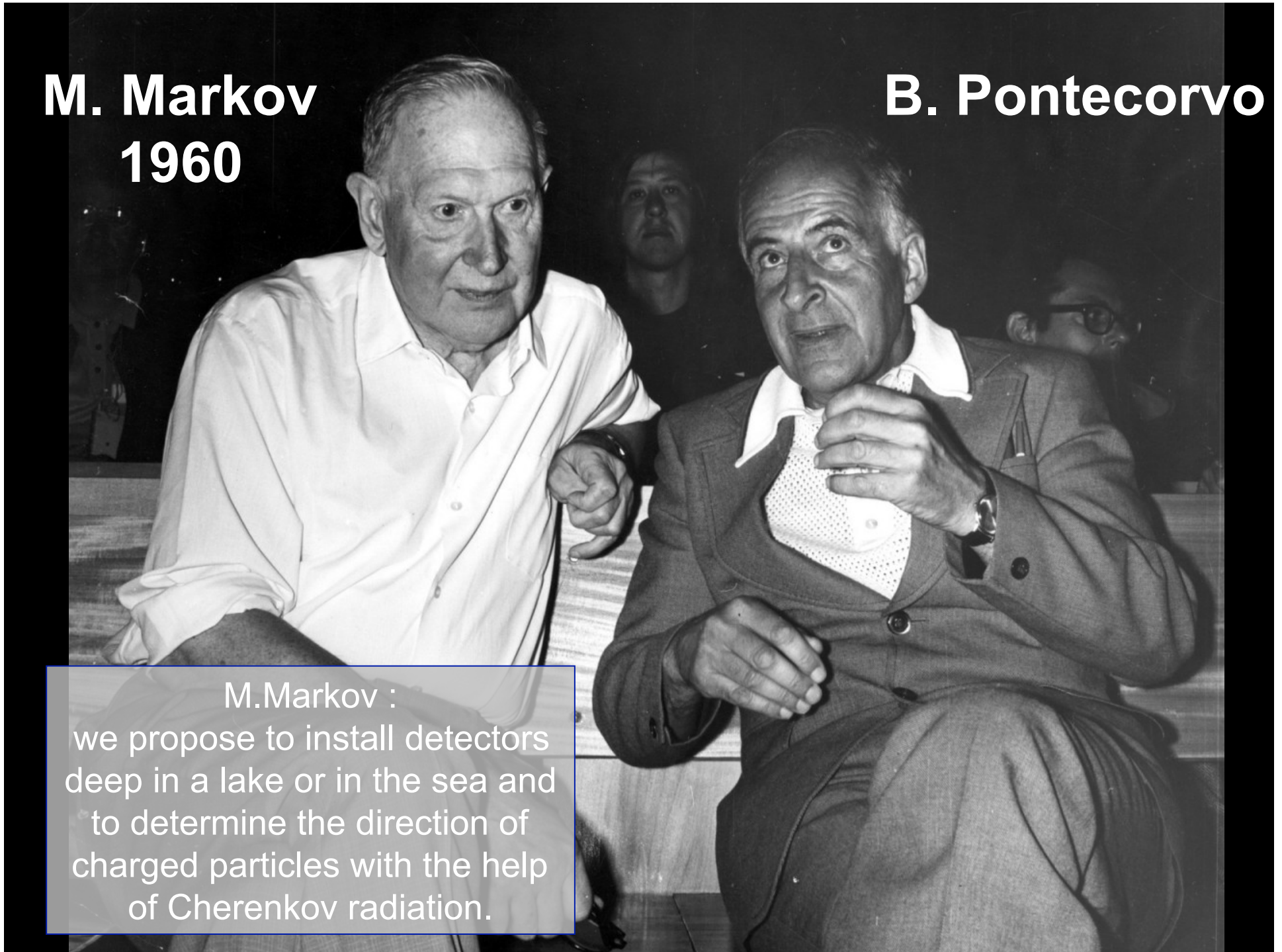
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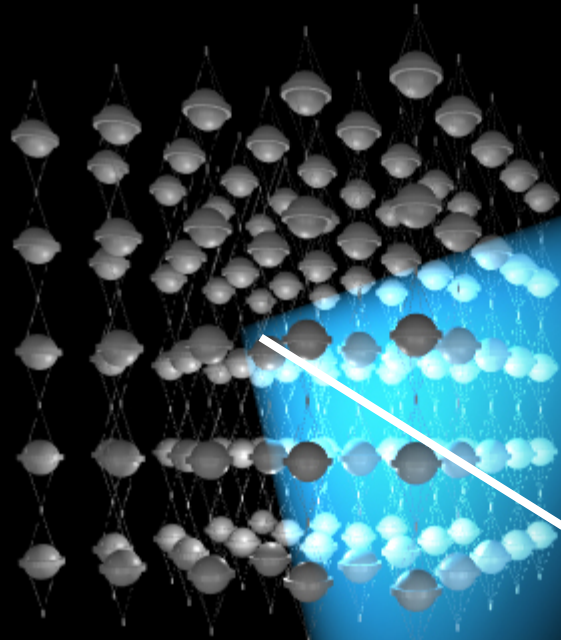
M. Markov
1960

B. Pontecorvo

M.Markov :
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.



- shielded and optically transparent medium
- muon travels from 50 m to 50 km through the water at the speed of light emitting blue light along its track

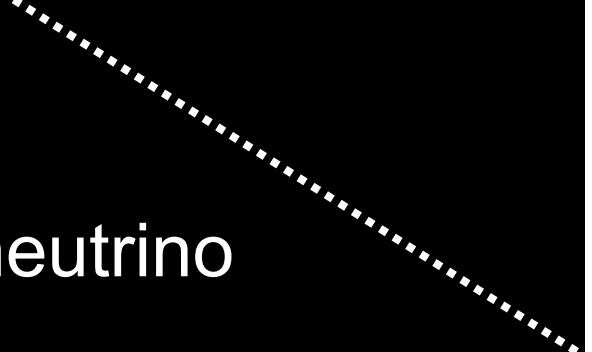


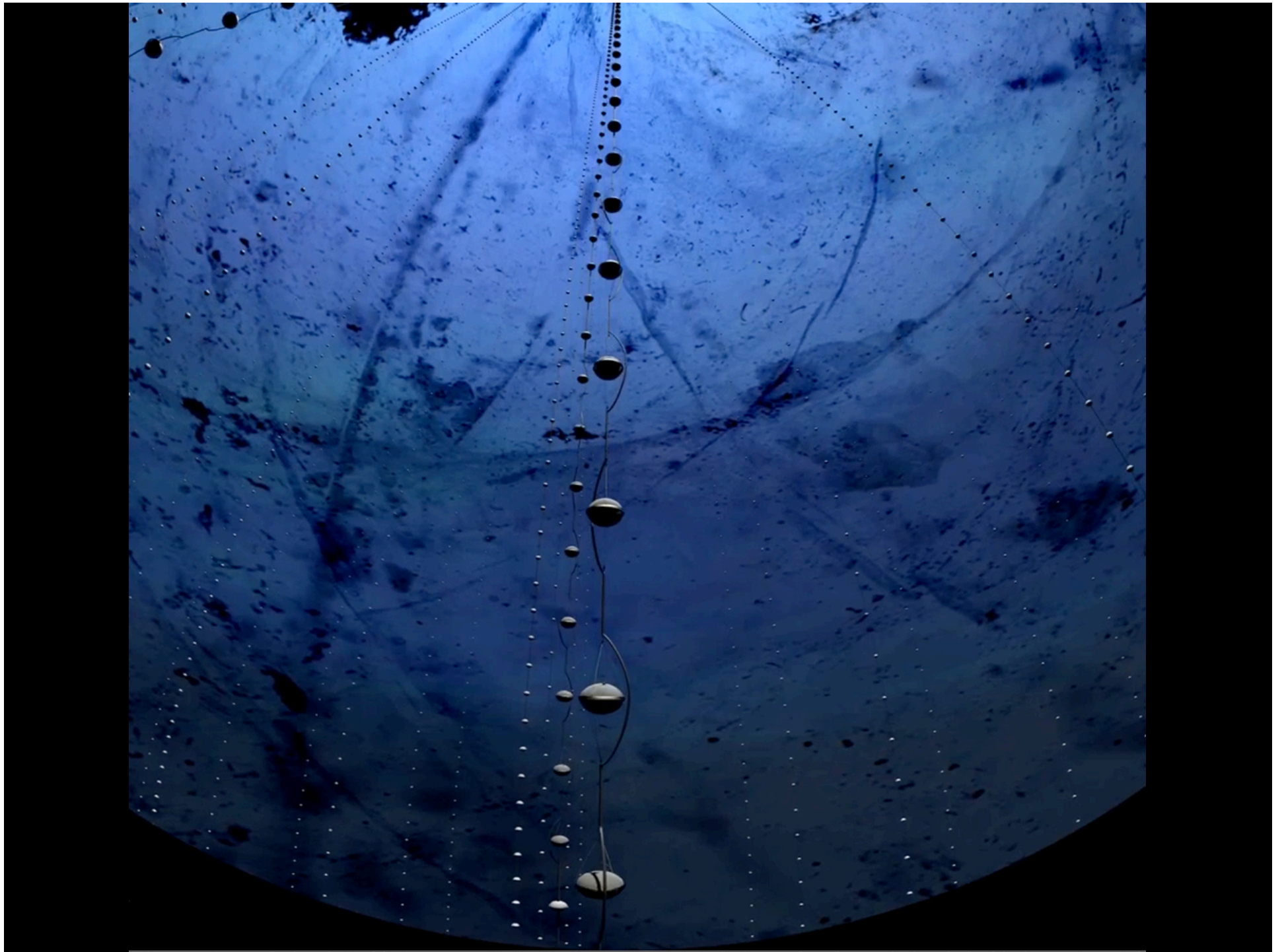
muon

interaction

- lattice of photomultipliers

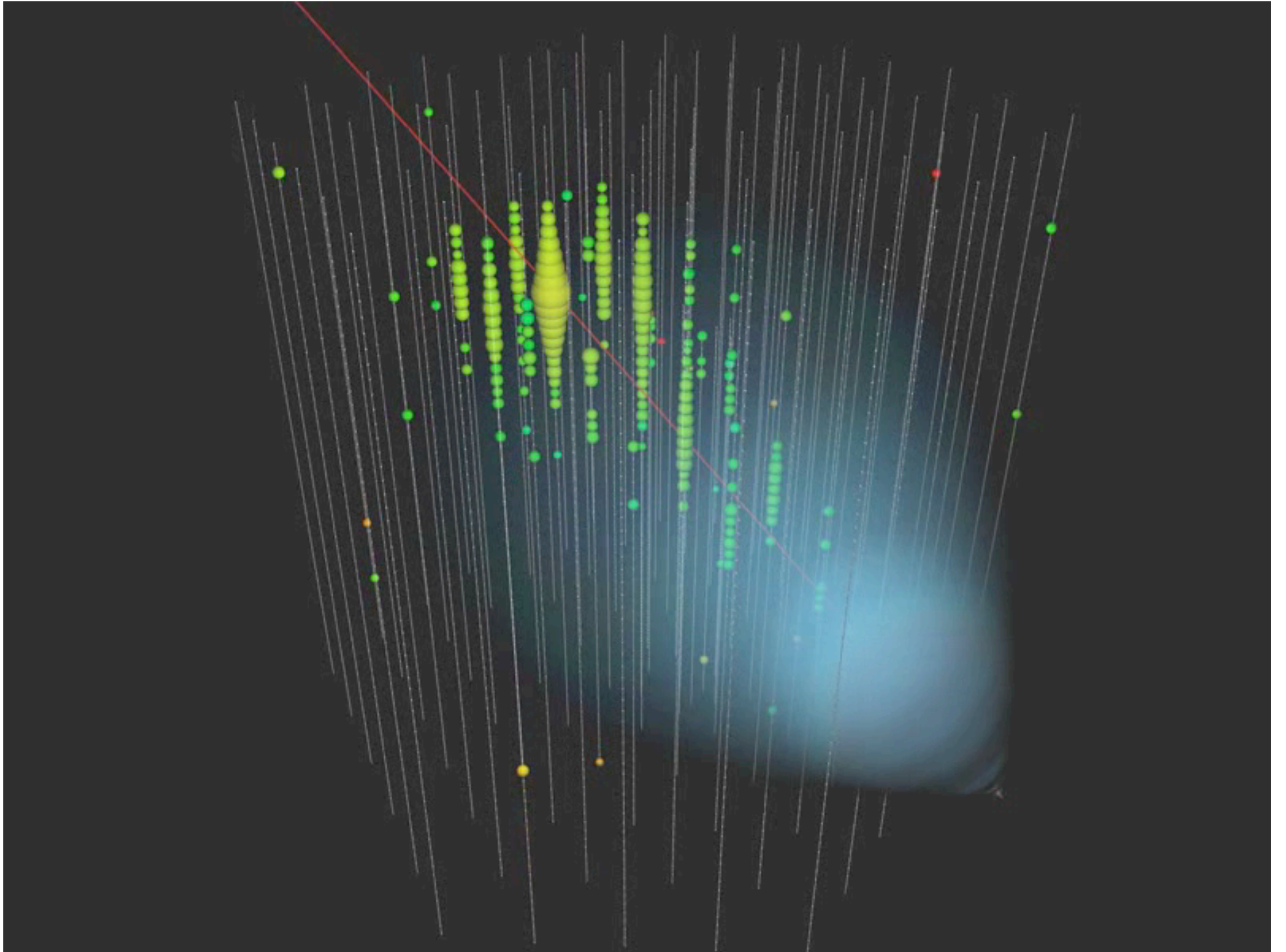
neutrino





photomultiplier
tube -10 inch

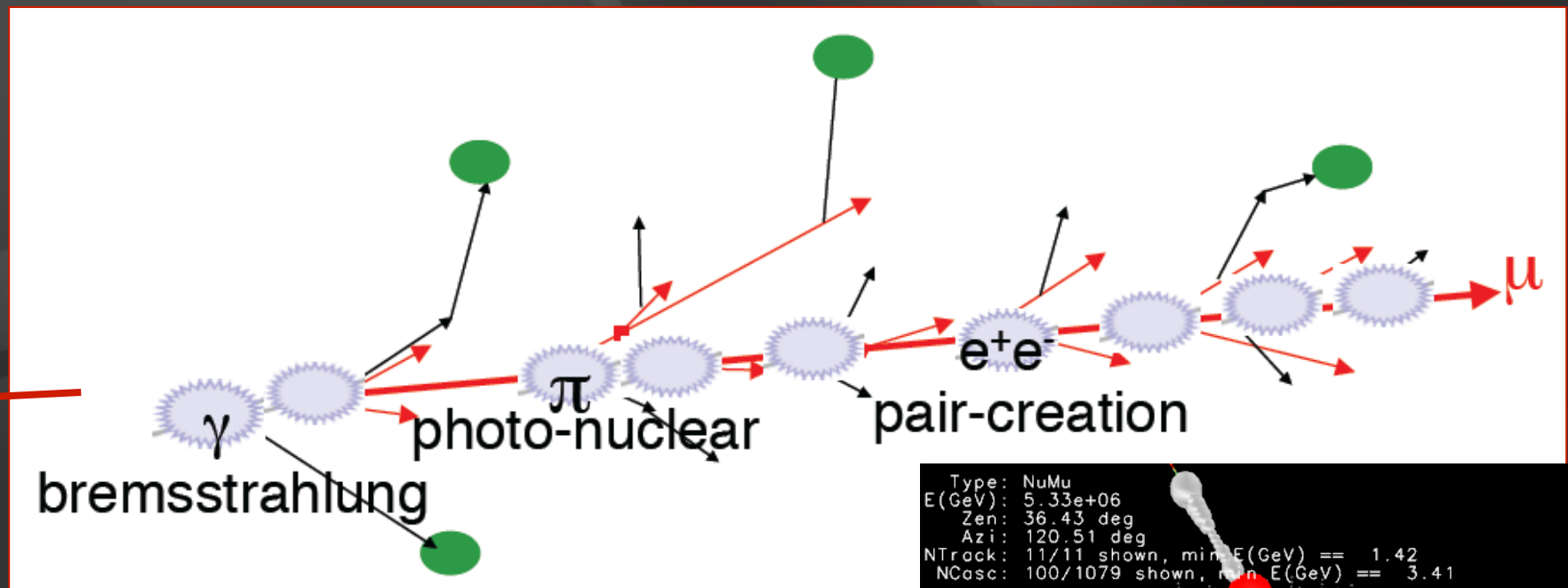




93 TeV muon

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

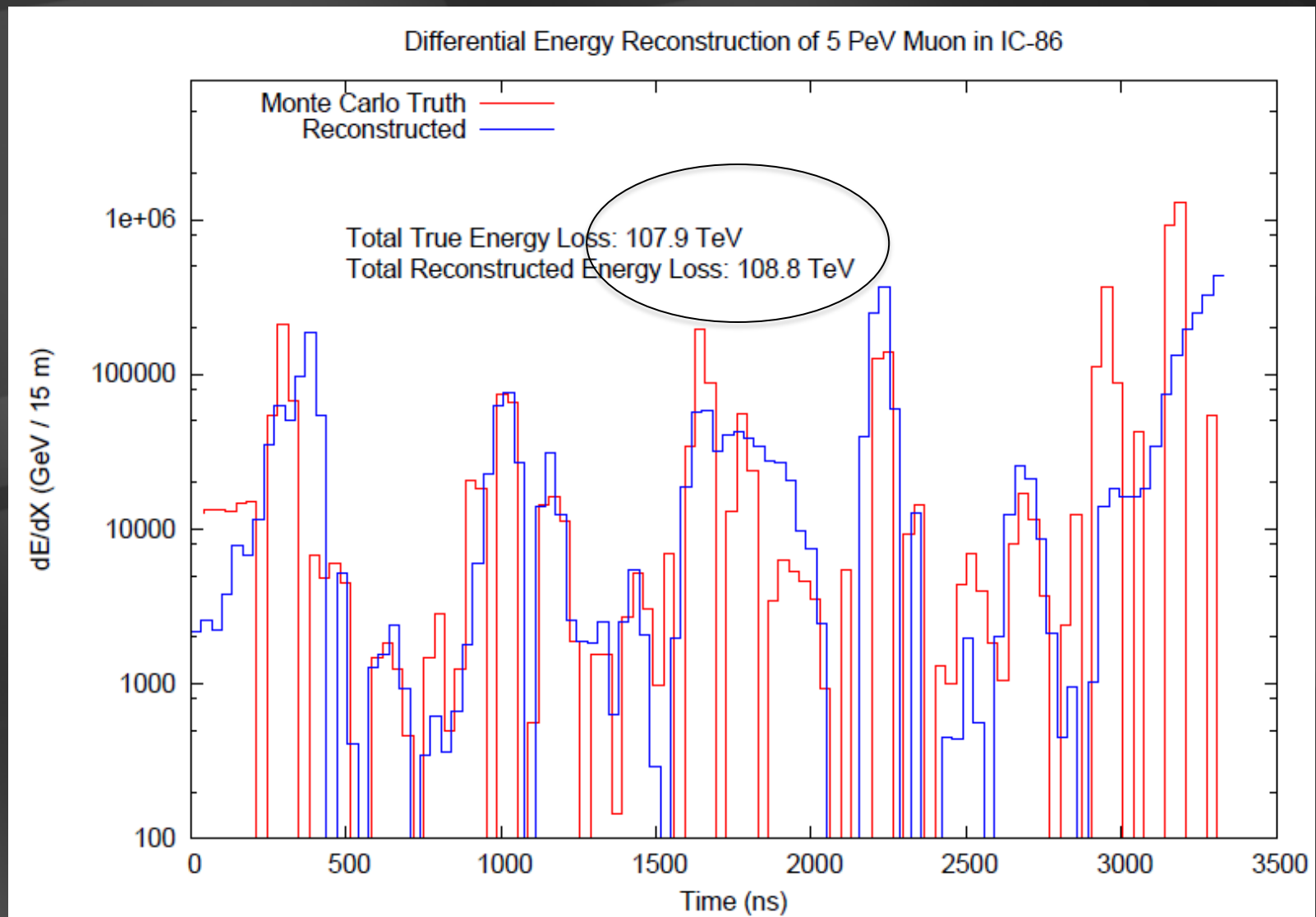
energy measurement ($> 1 \text{ TeV}$)



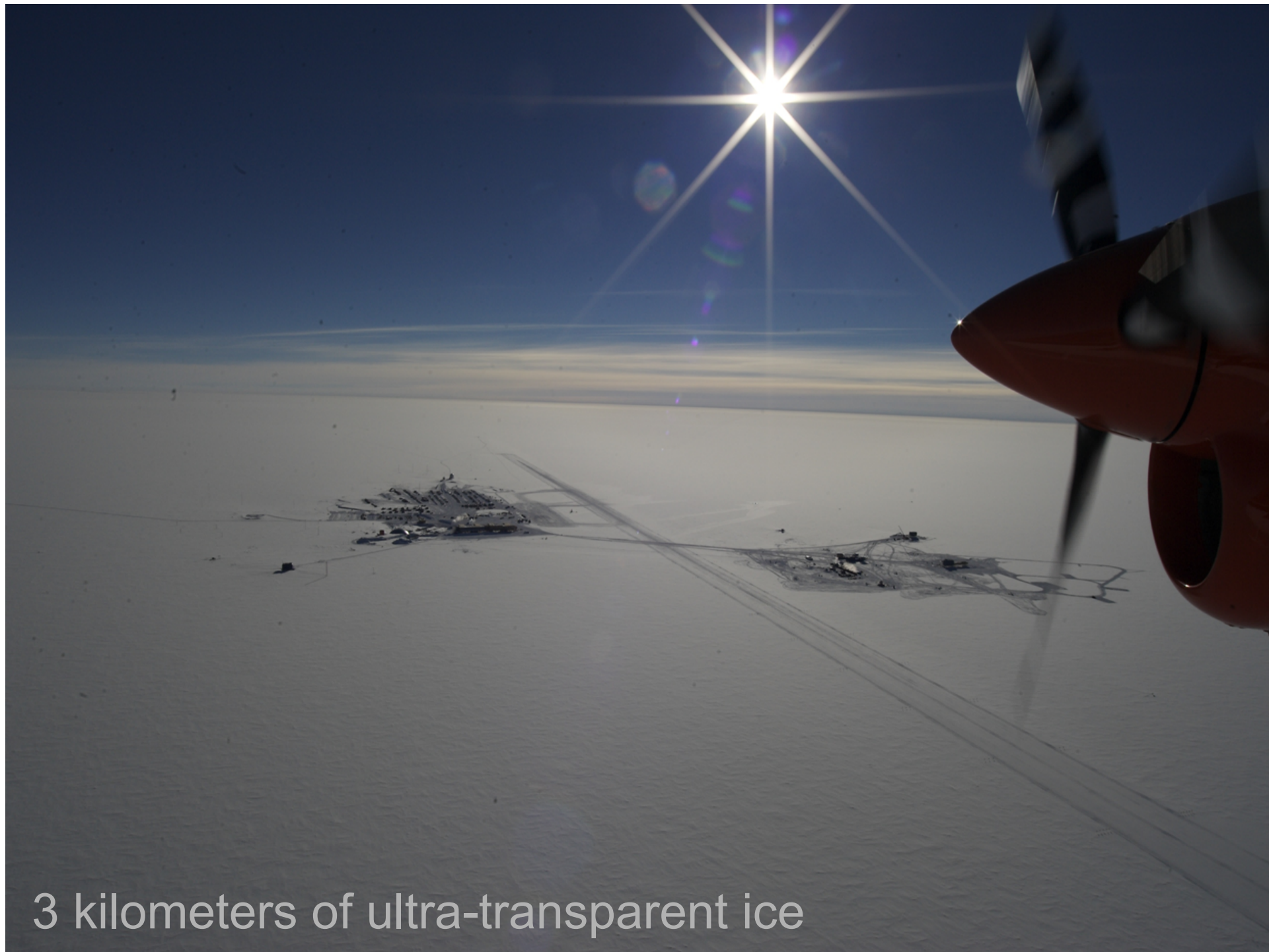
convert the amount of light emitted
to measurement of the muon
energy (number of optical modules,
number of photons, dE/dx , ...)

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Type: NuMu  
E(GeV): 5.33e+06  
Zen: 36.43 deg  
Azi: 120.51 deg  
NTrack: 11/11 shown, min E(GeV) == 1.42  
NCasc: 100/1079 shown, min E(GeV) == 3.41
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Run 433700001 Event 0 [0ns, 40000ns]



improving angular and energy resolution



3 kilometers of ultra-transparent ice

Observation of muons using the polar ice cap as a Cerenkov detector

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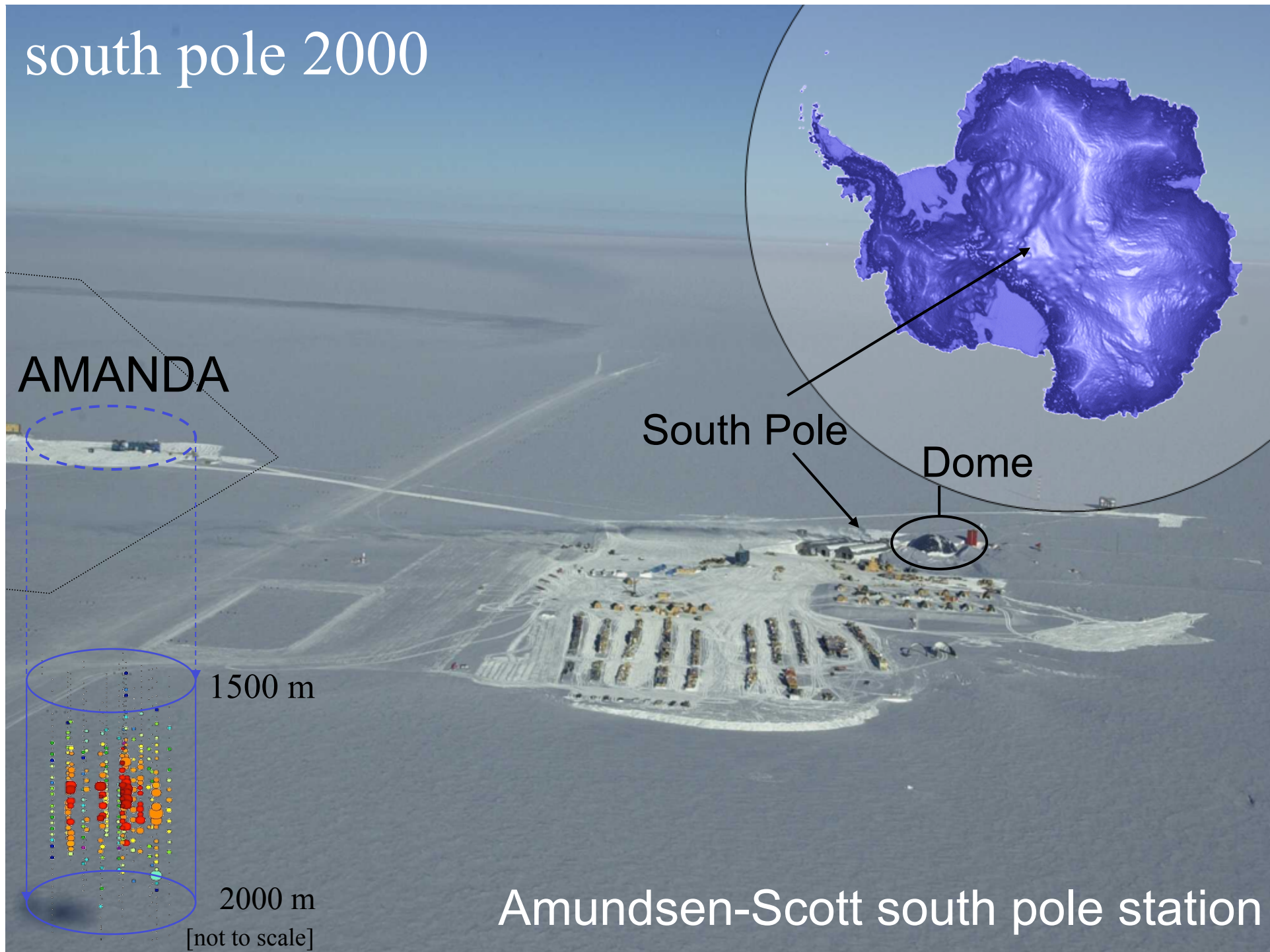
Dome

1500 m

2000 m

[not to scale]

Amundsen-Scott south pole station



Observation of high-energy neutrinos using Čerenkov detectors embedded deep in Antarctic ice

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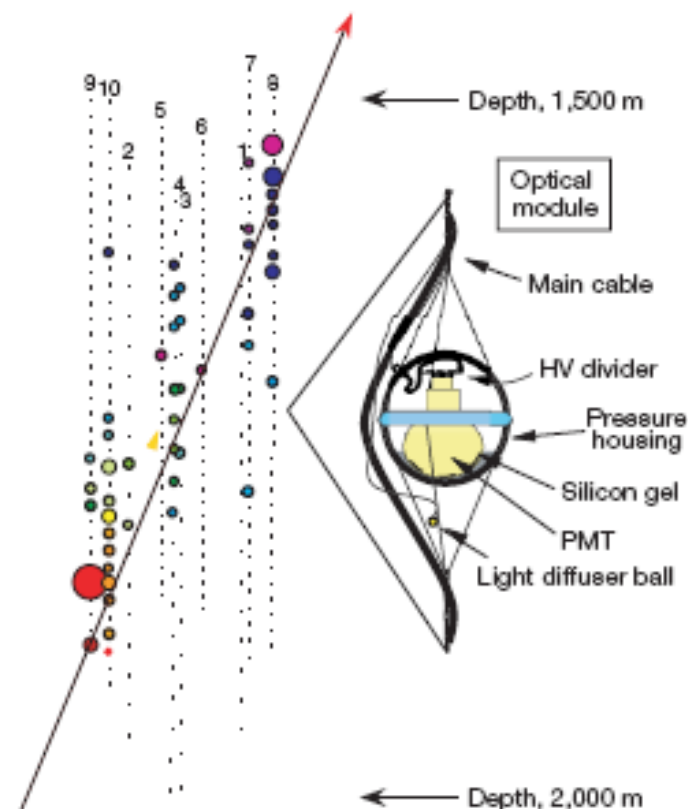
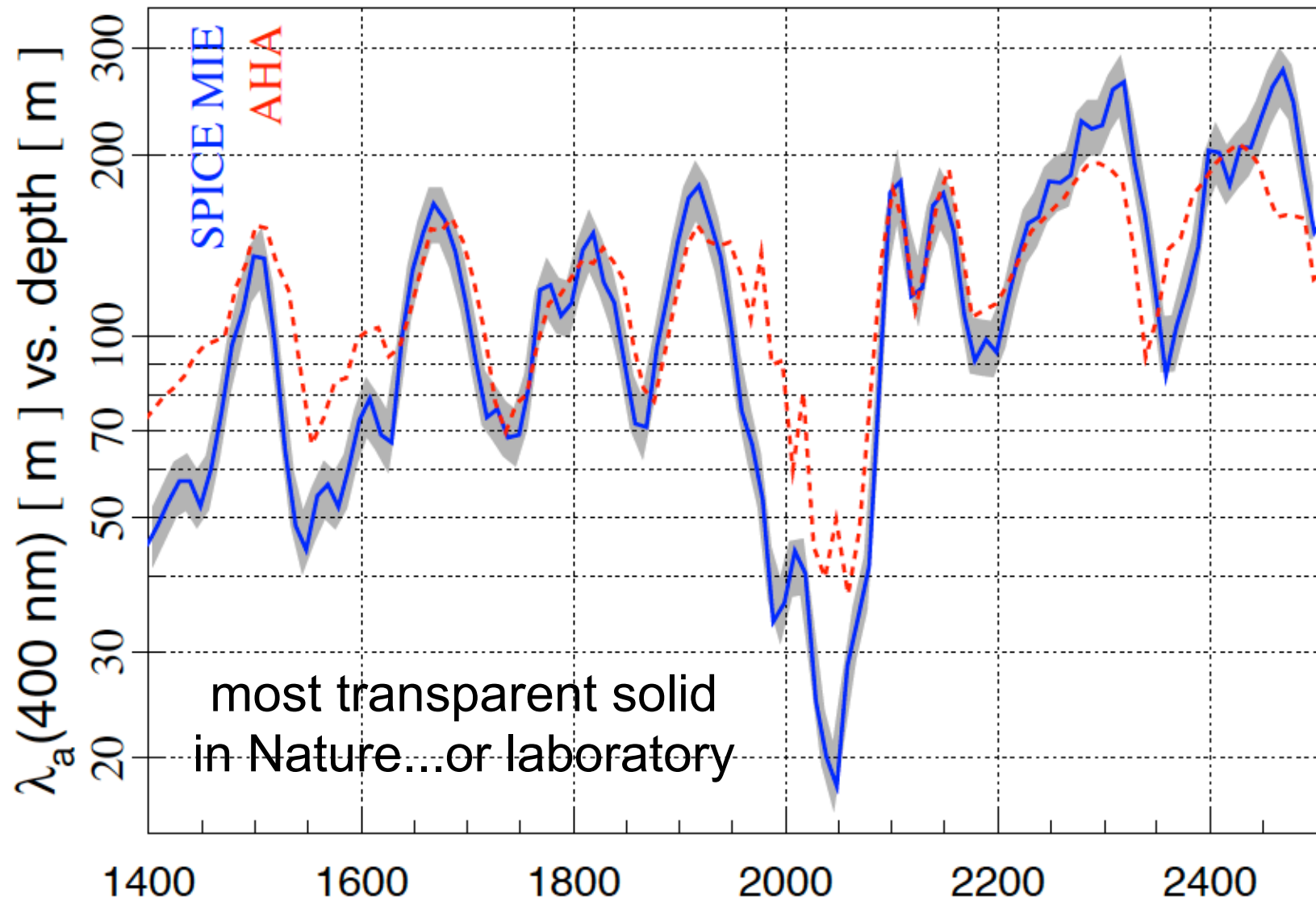


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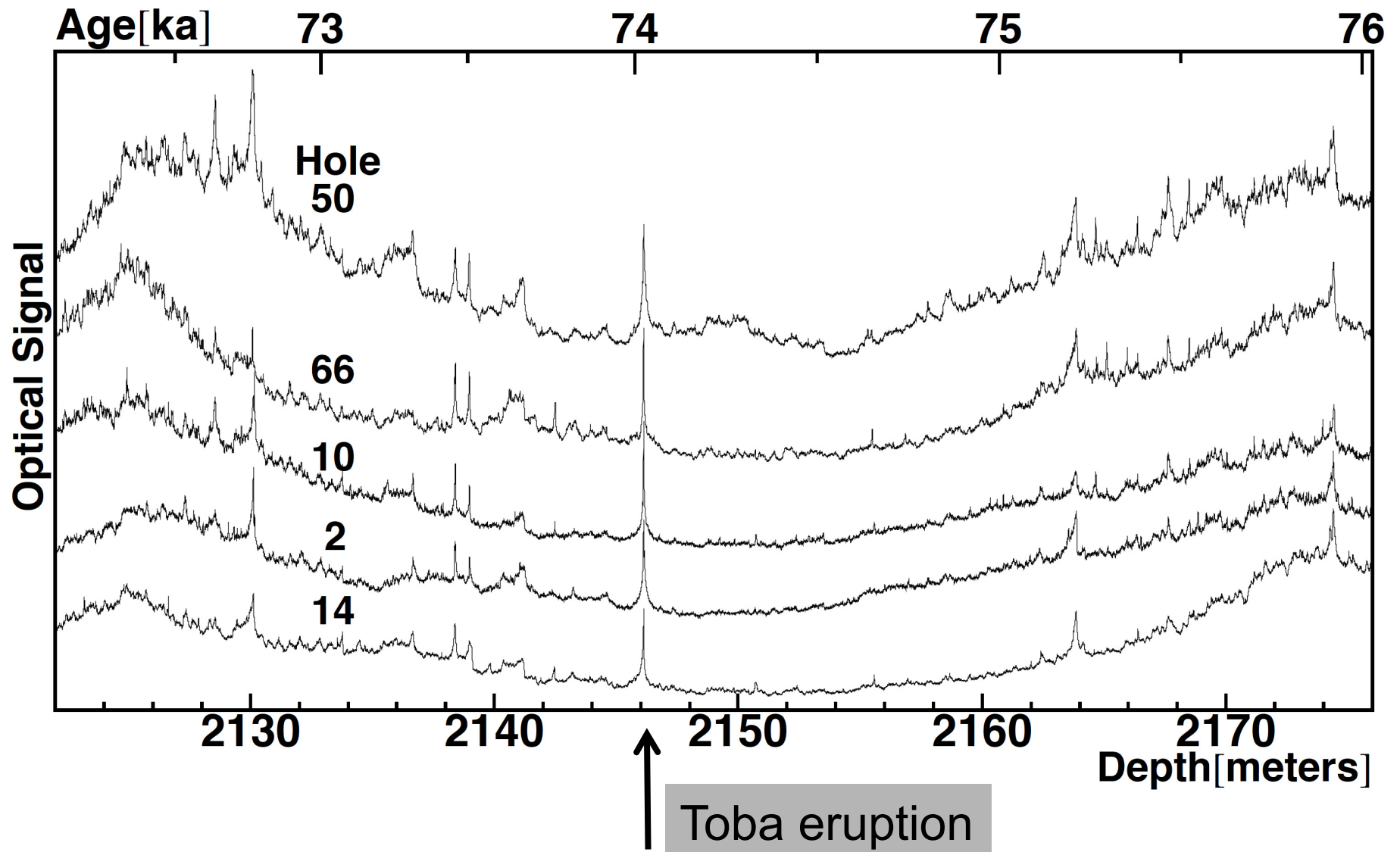
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absorption length

← 220m →

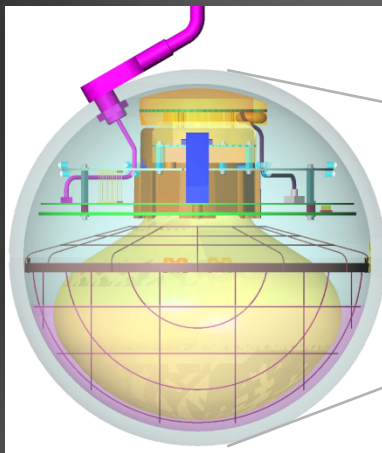


scattering measurement on dust

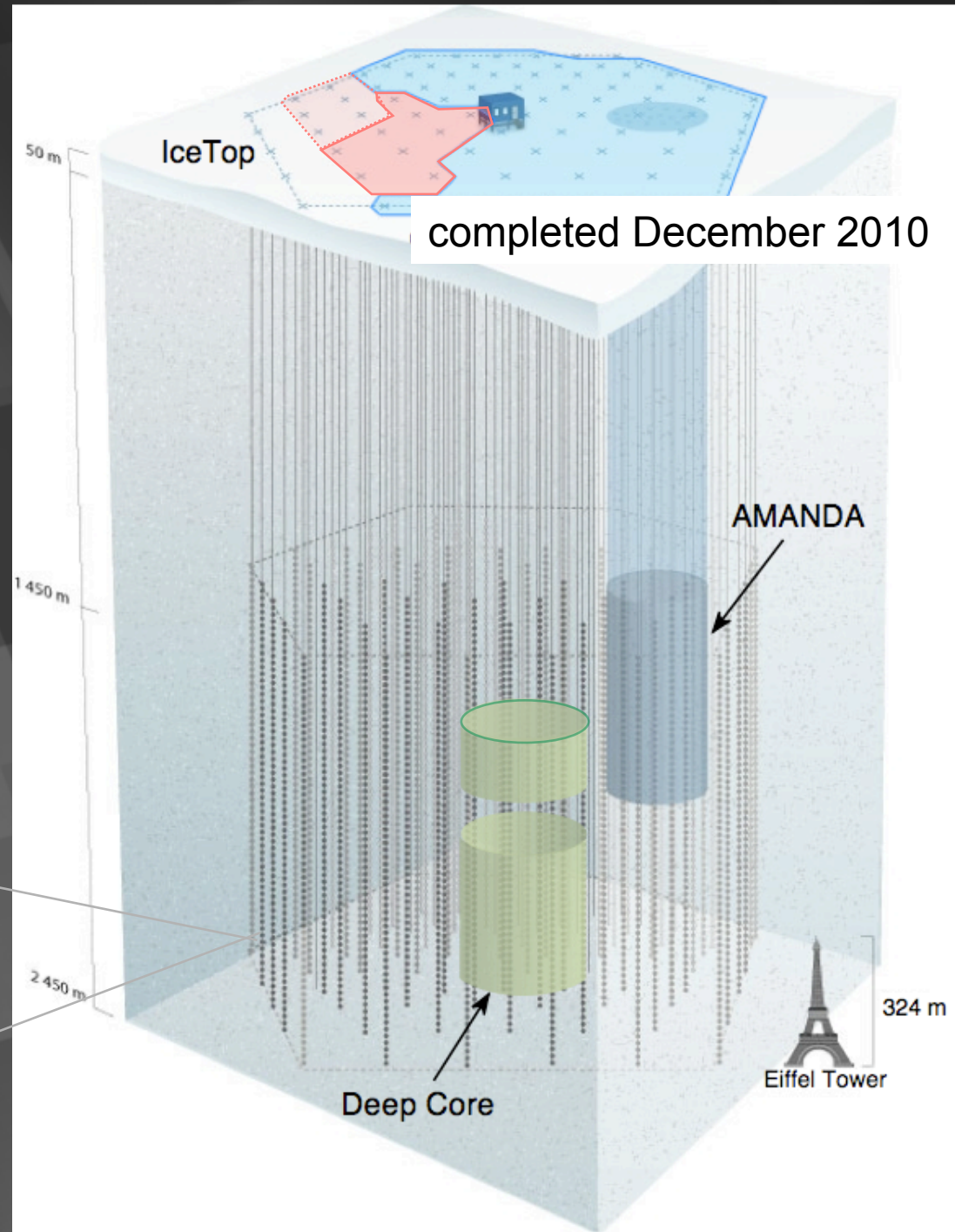


IceCube / Deep Core

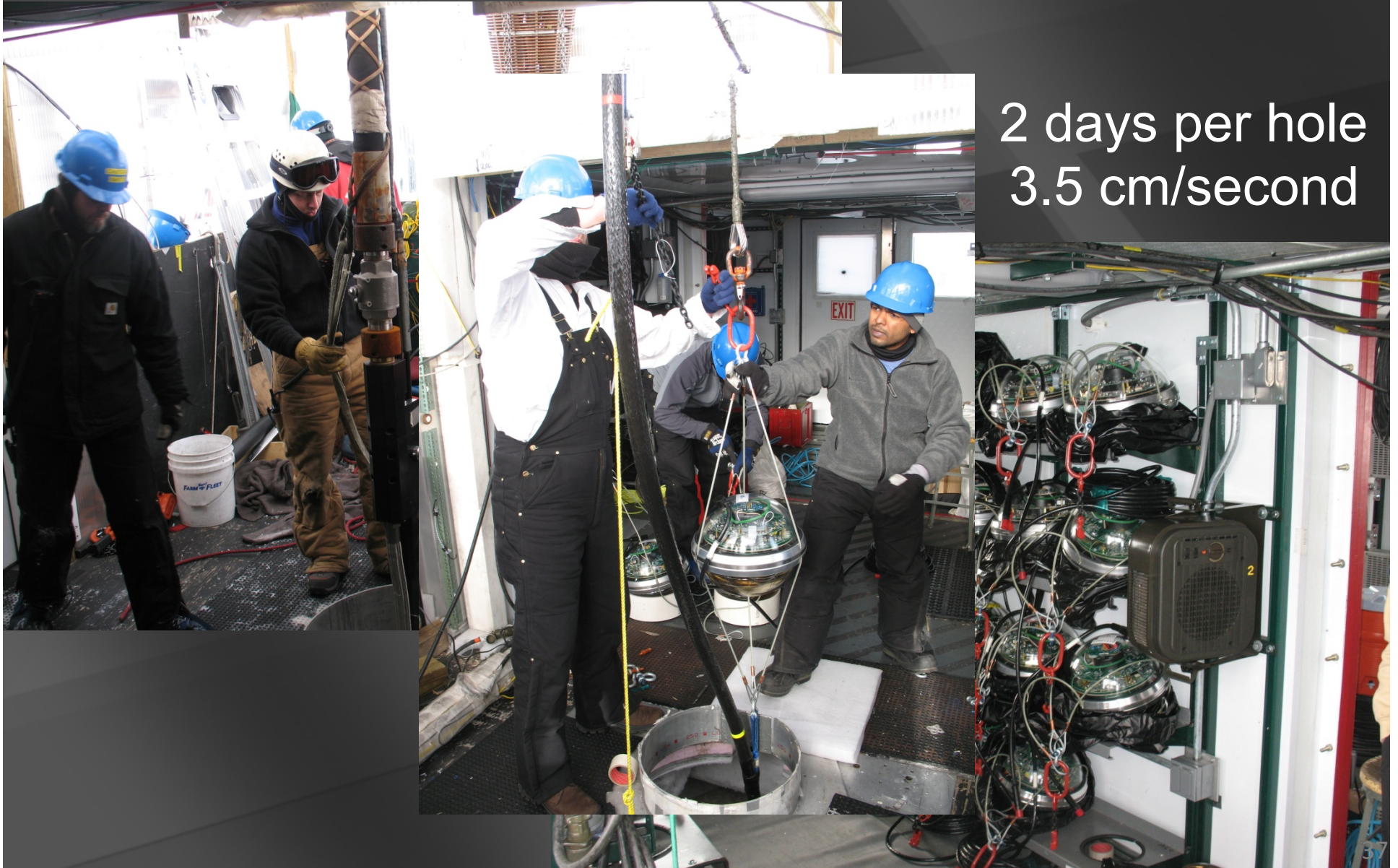
- 5160 optical sensors between 1.5 ~ 2.5 km
- 10 GeV to infinity
- < 0.5 degree on-line
 < 0.3 degree off line
for muons
(10~15 degrees for showers)
- $< 15\%$ energy resolution

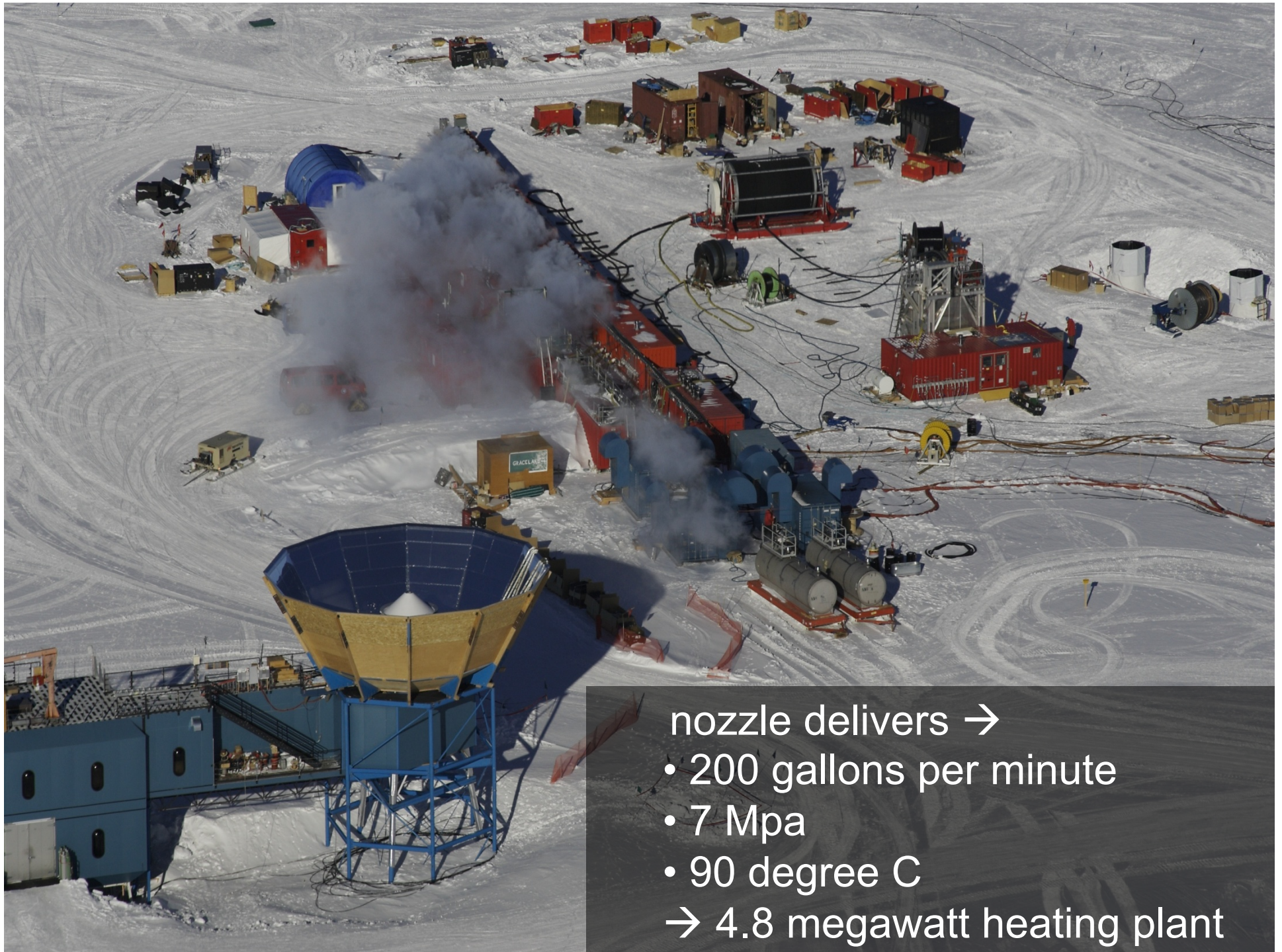


Digital Optical Module (DOM)



drilling and deployment

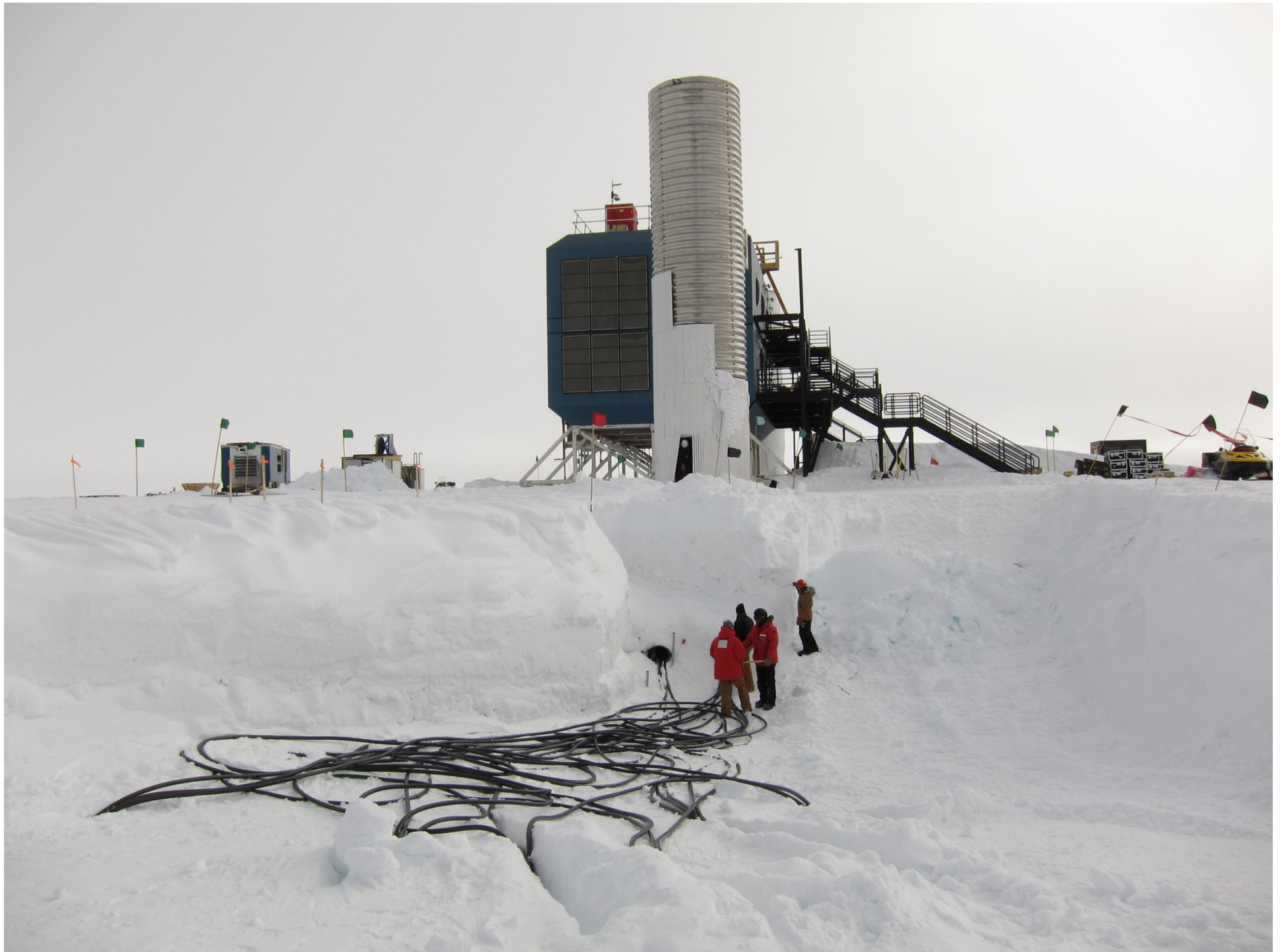




nozzle delivers →

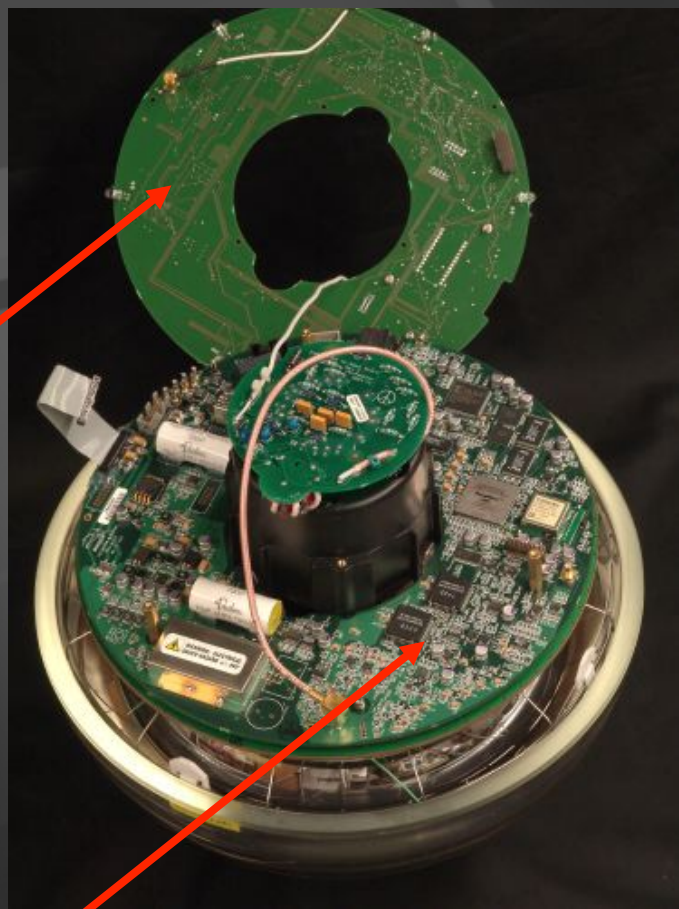
- 200 gallons per minute
- 7 Mpa
- 90 degree C

→ 4.8 megawatt heating plant

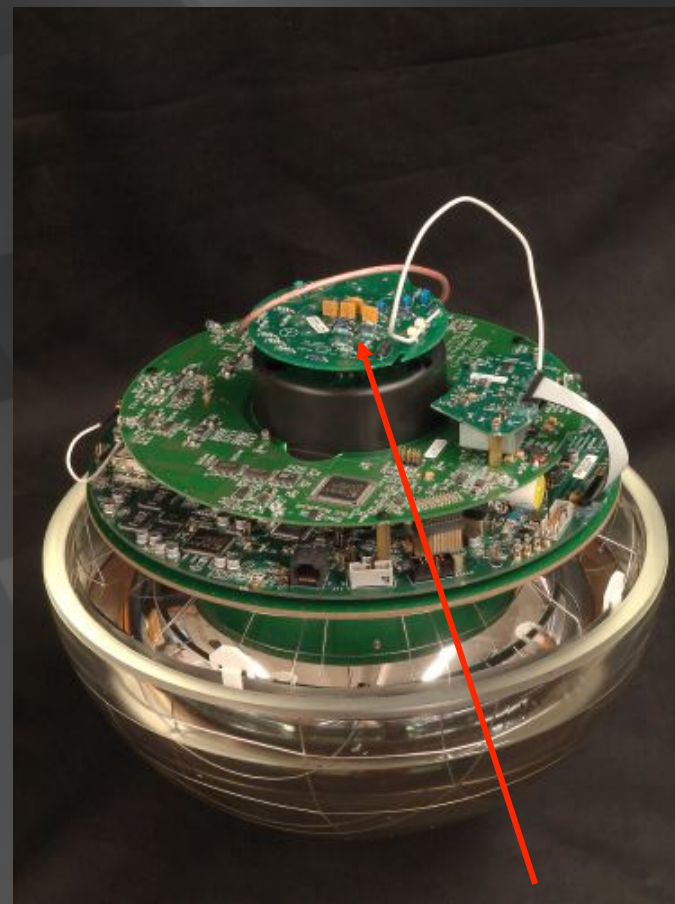


architecture of independent DOMs

LED
flasher
board



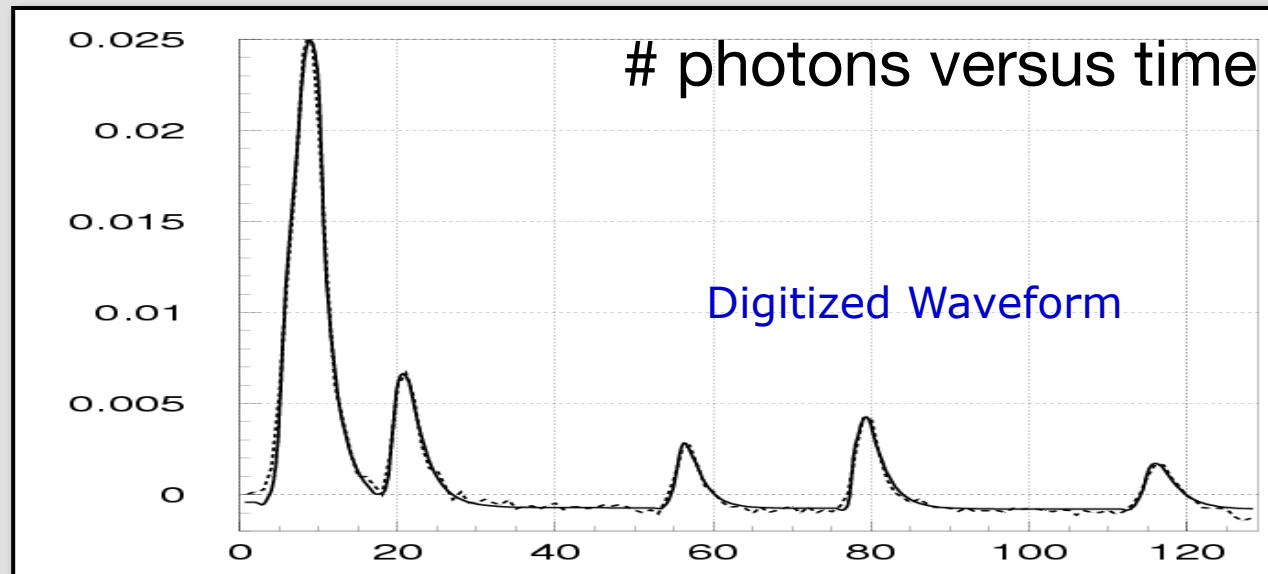
main
board



HV board

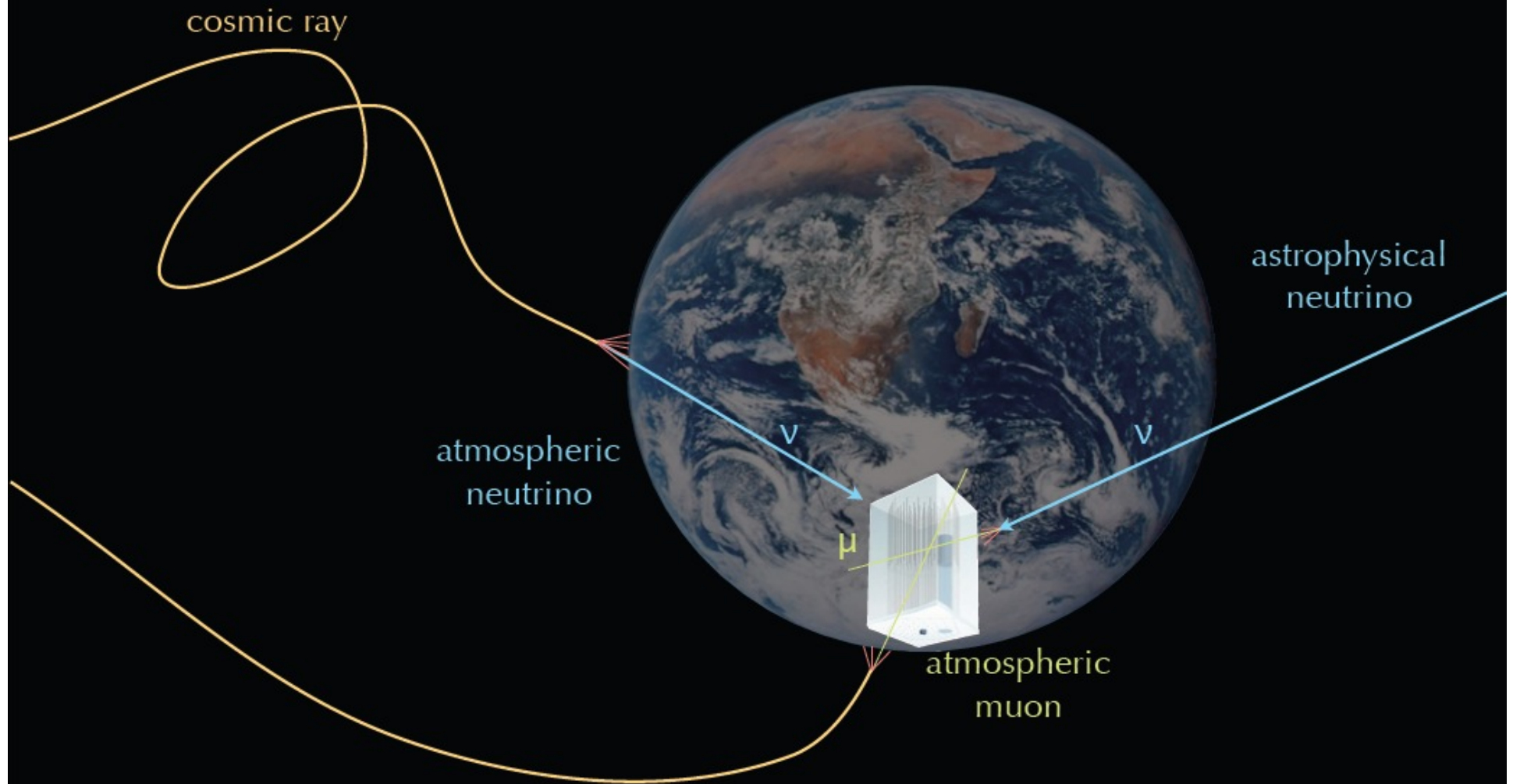
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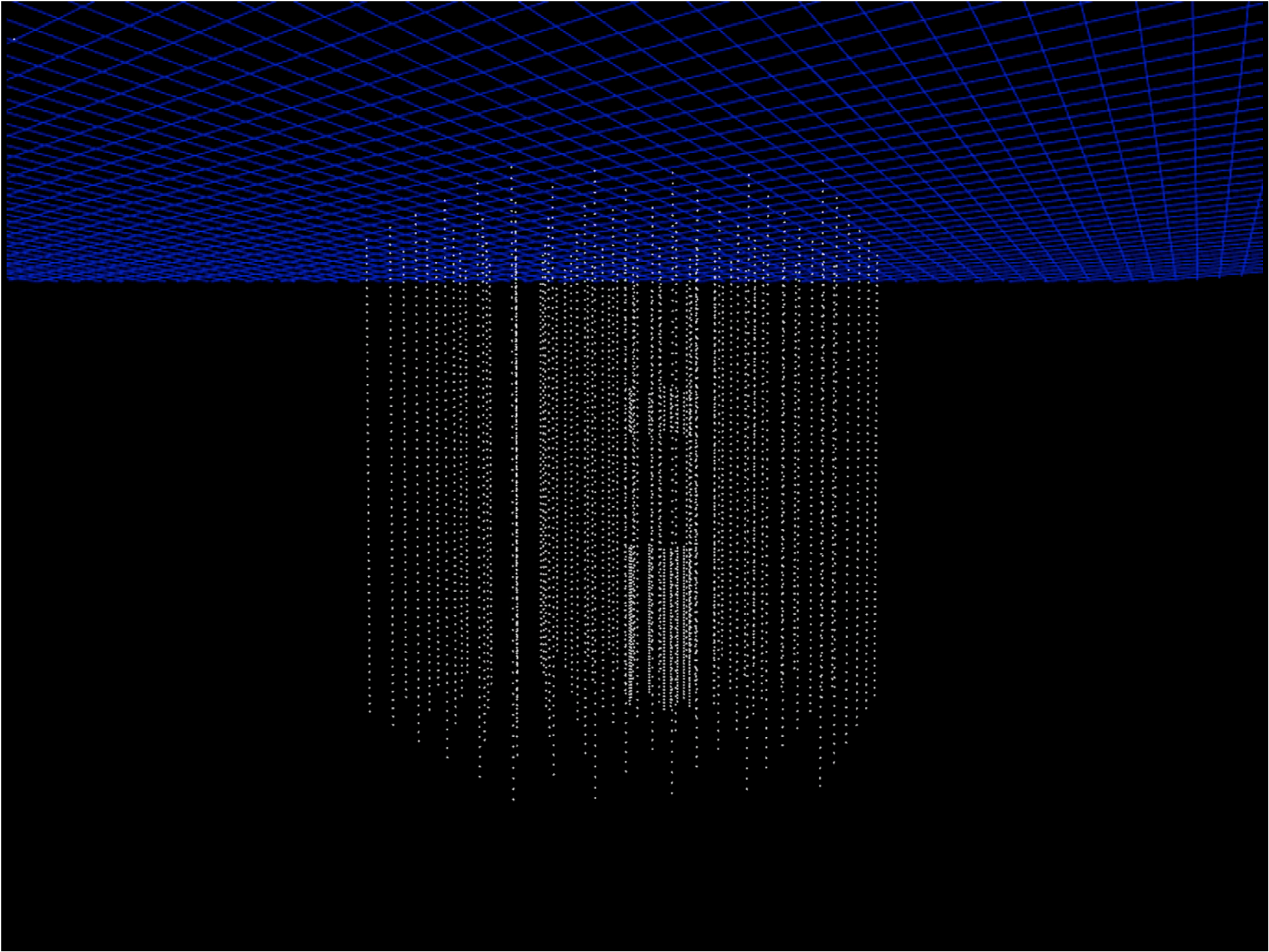
... each DOM independently collects light signals like this...



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

Signals and Backgrounds





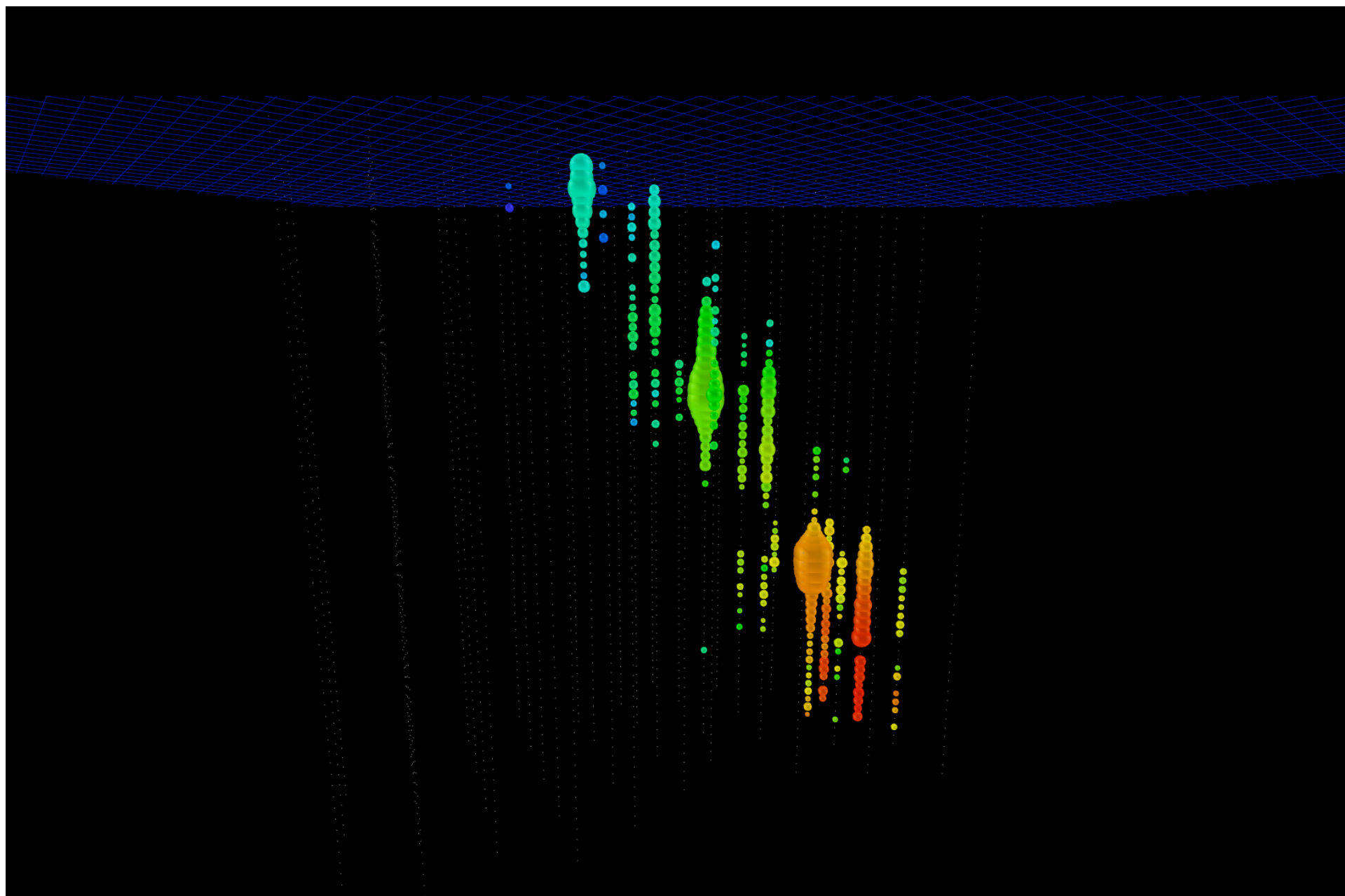
... you looked at 10msec of data !

muons detected per year:

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

* 2700 per second

** 1 every 6 minutes



Run 113641 Event 33553254 [0ns, 16748ns]

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**BREAKTHROUGH
OF THE YEAR
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... for science and for the experimental accomplishment of building IceCube ...



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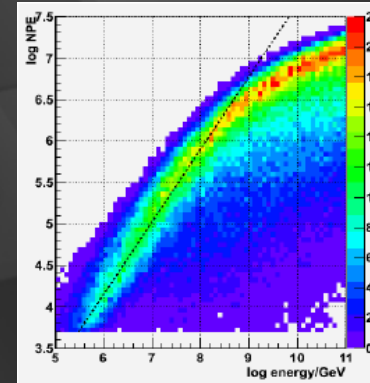
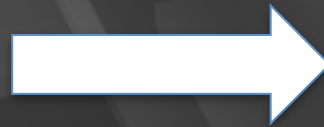
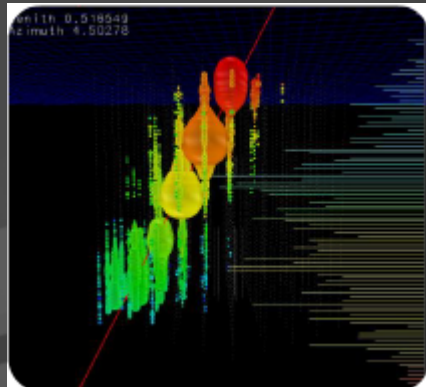
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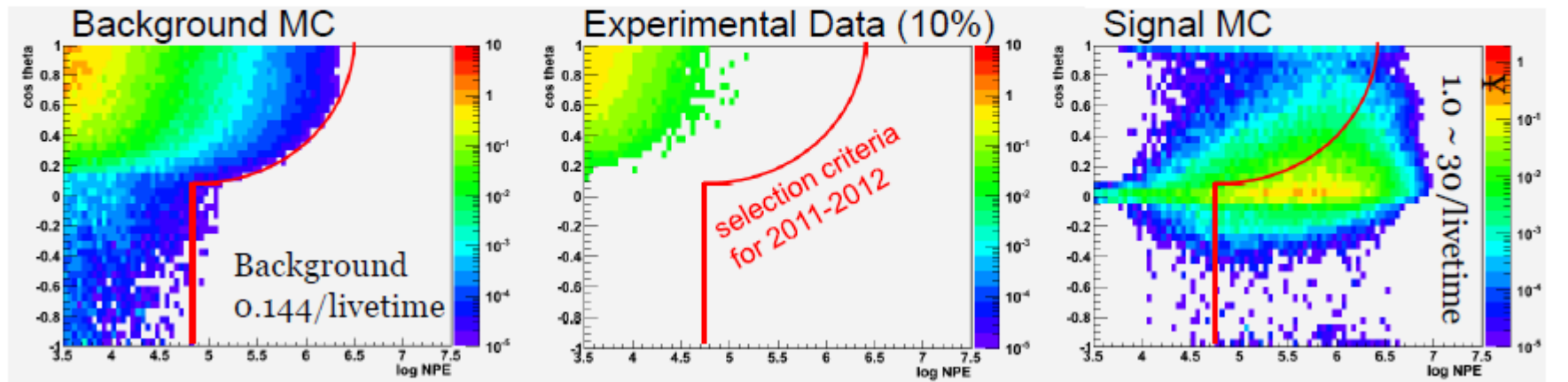
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GZK neutrinos: > 41,000 photons near the horizon
> 300 channels

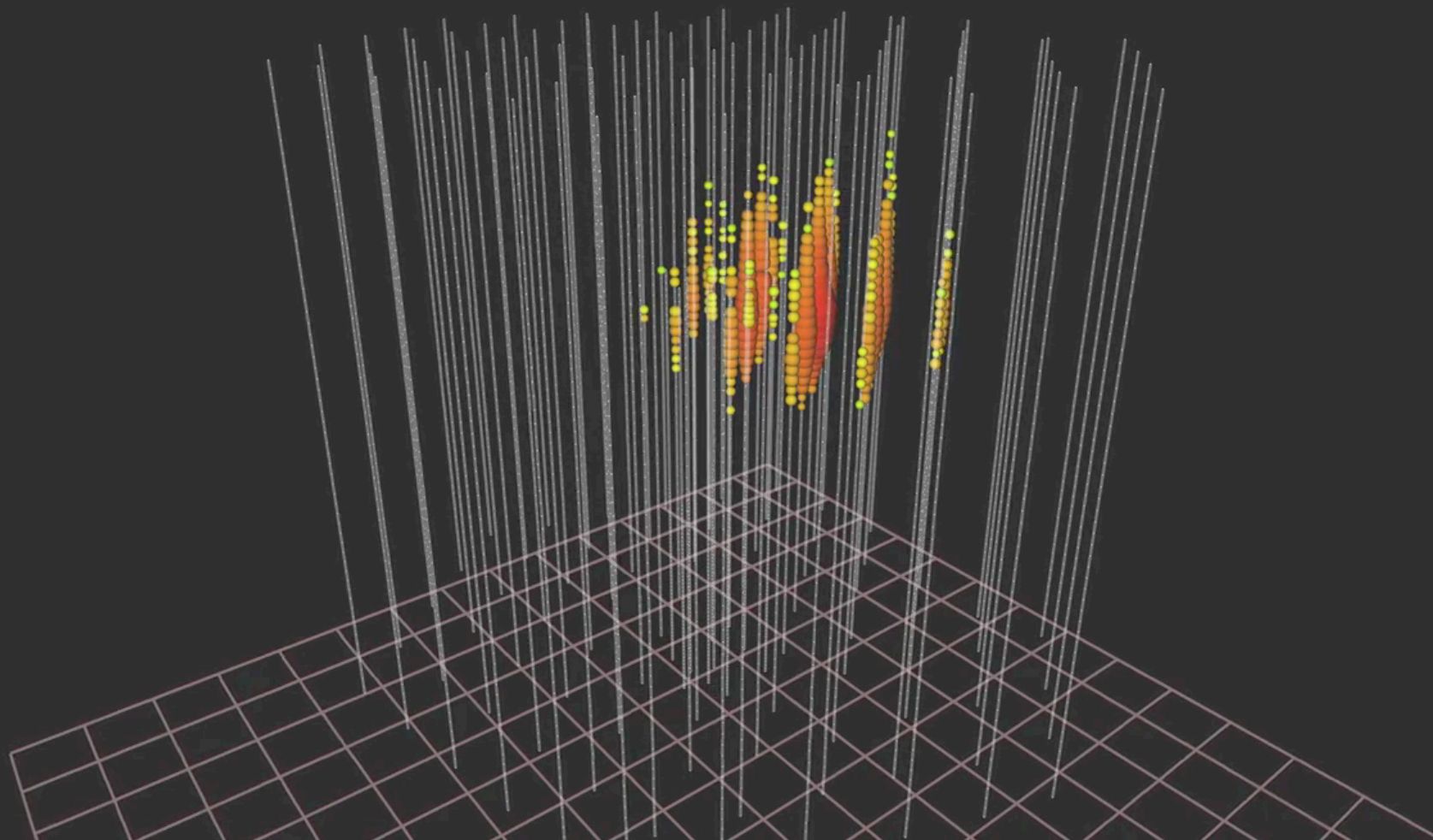


Energy of incoming particle \propto Energy-losses in detector \propto number of photo electrons (NPE)

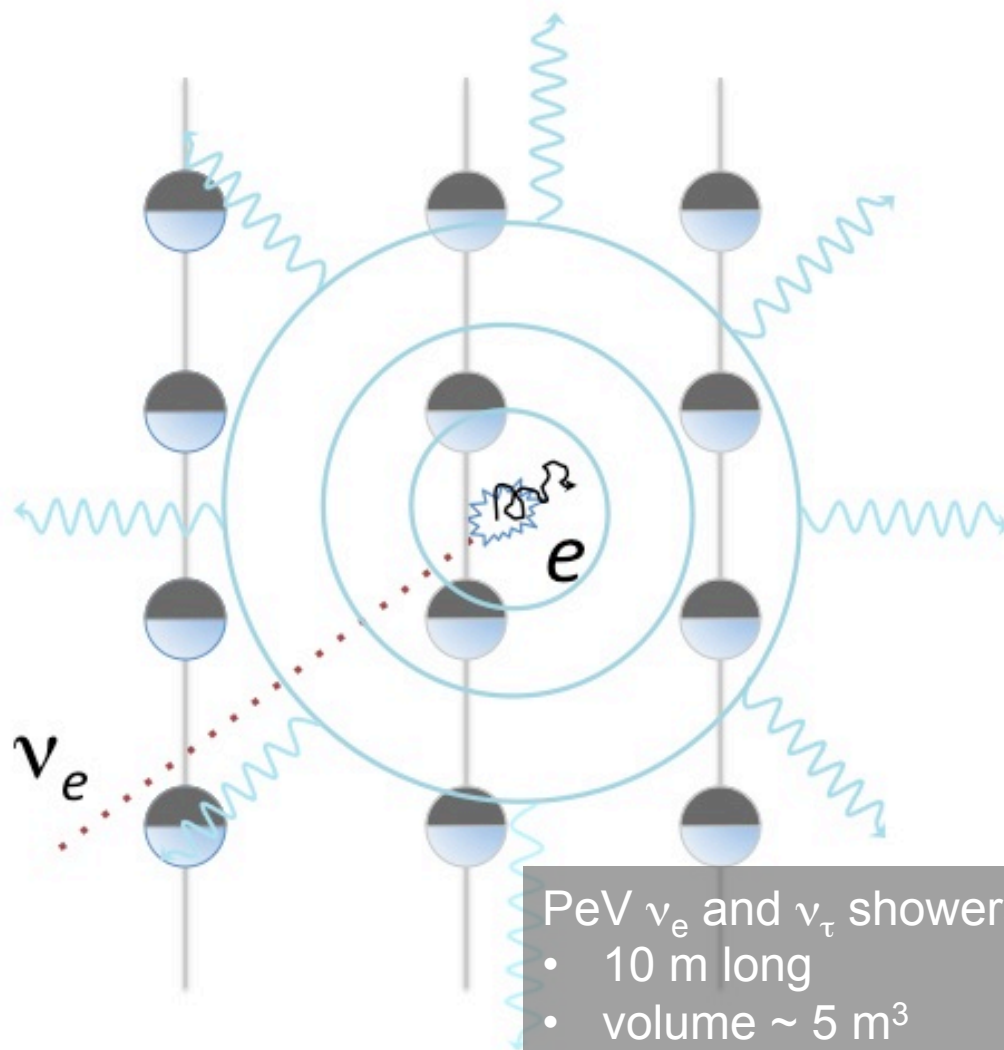
- Optimization based MC and MC verification based on 10% experimental 'burn' sample



unblinding: 2 events in the signal region

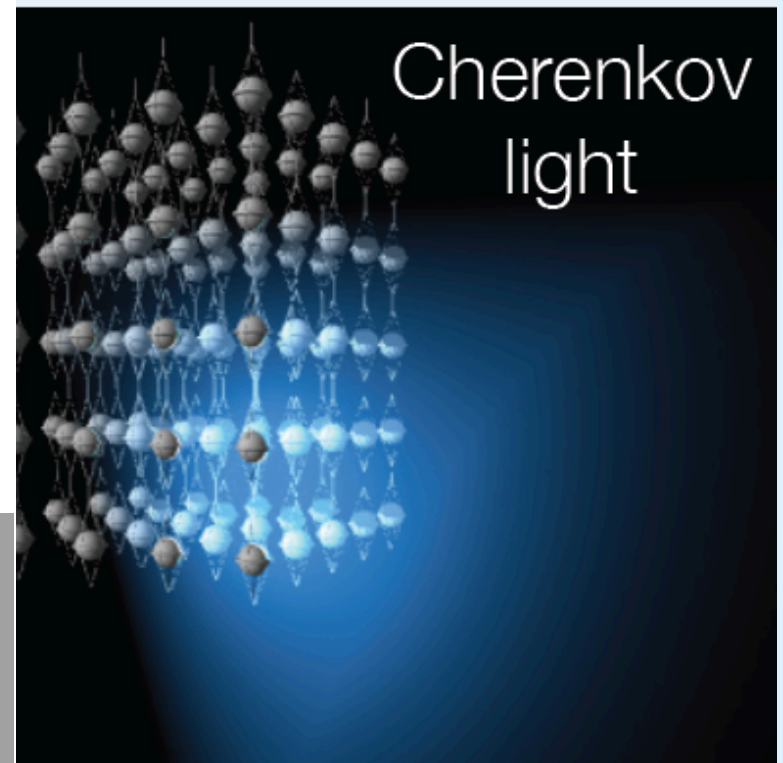
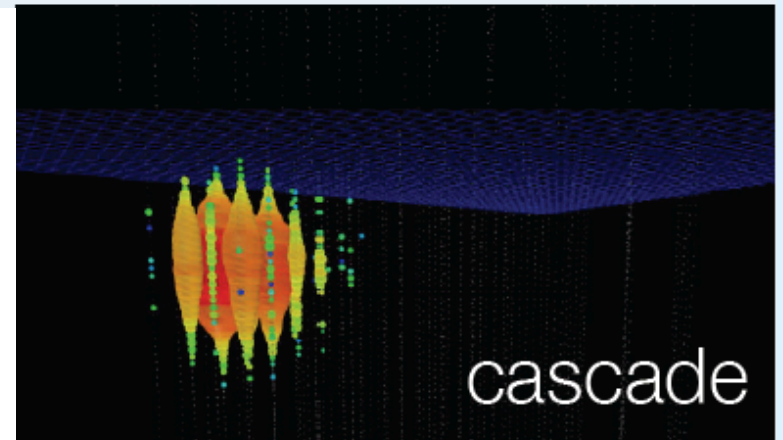


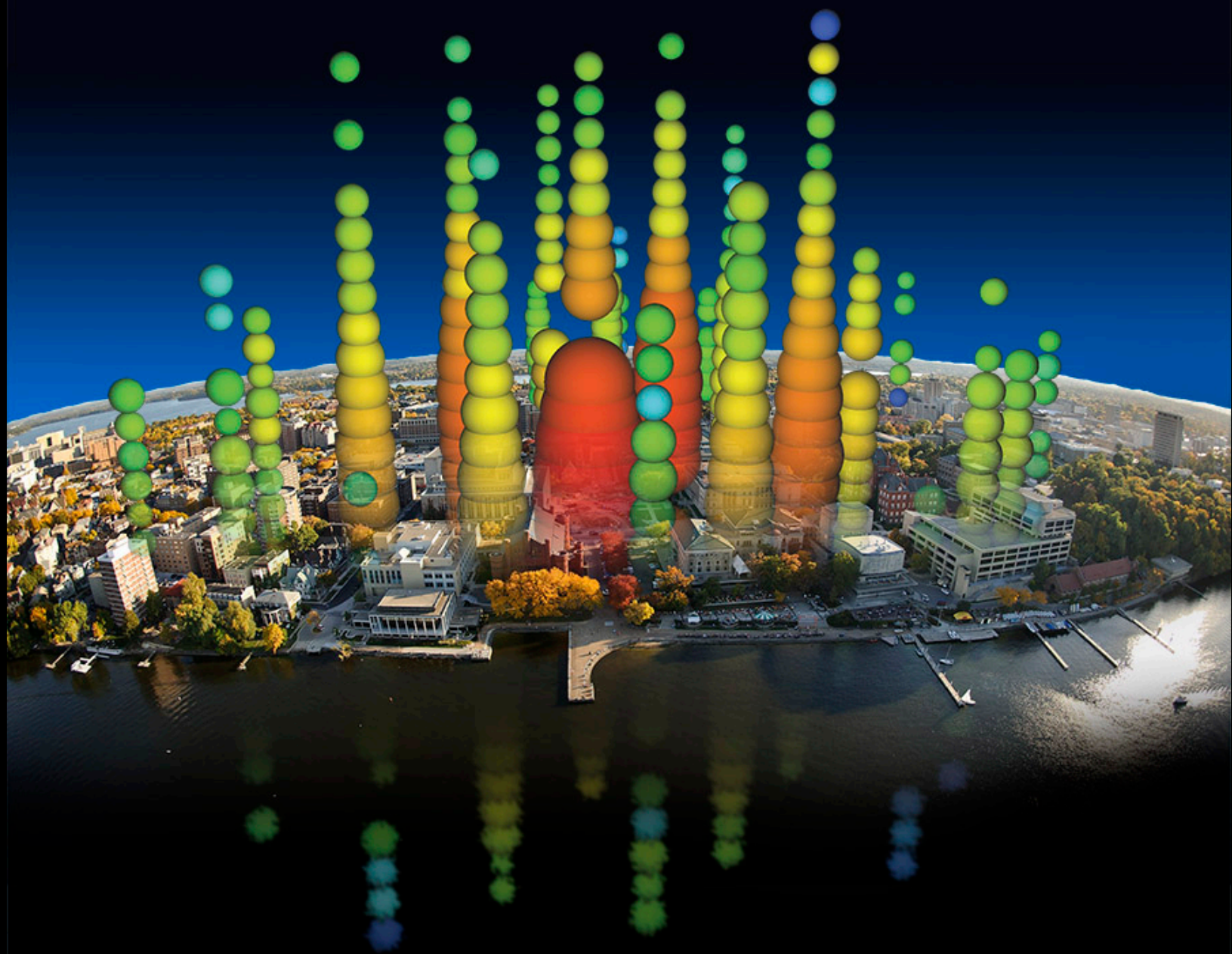
tracks and showers

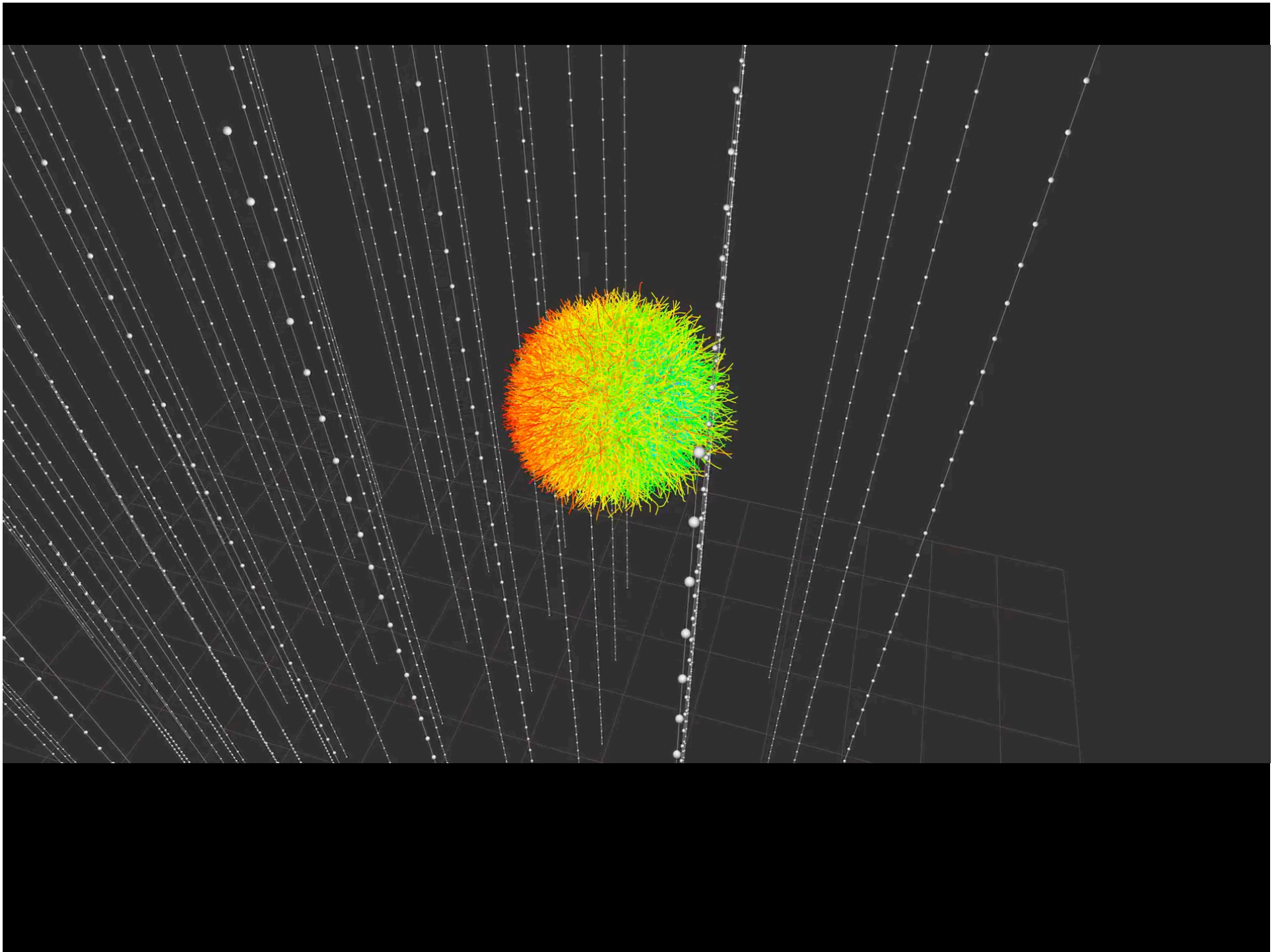


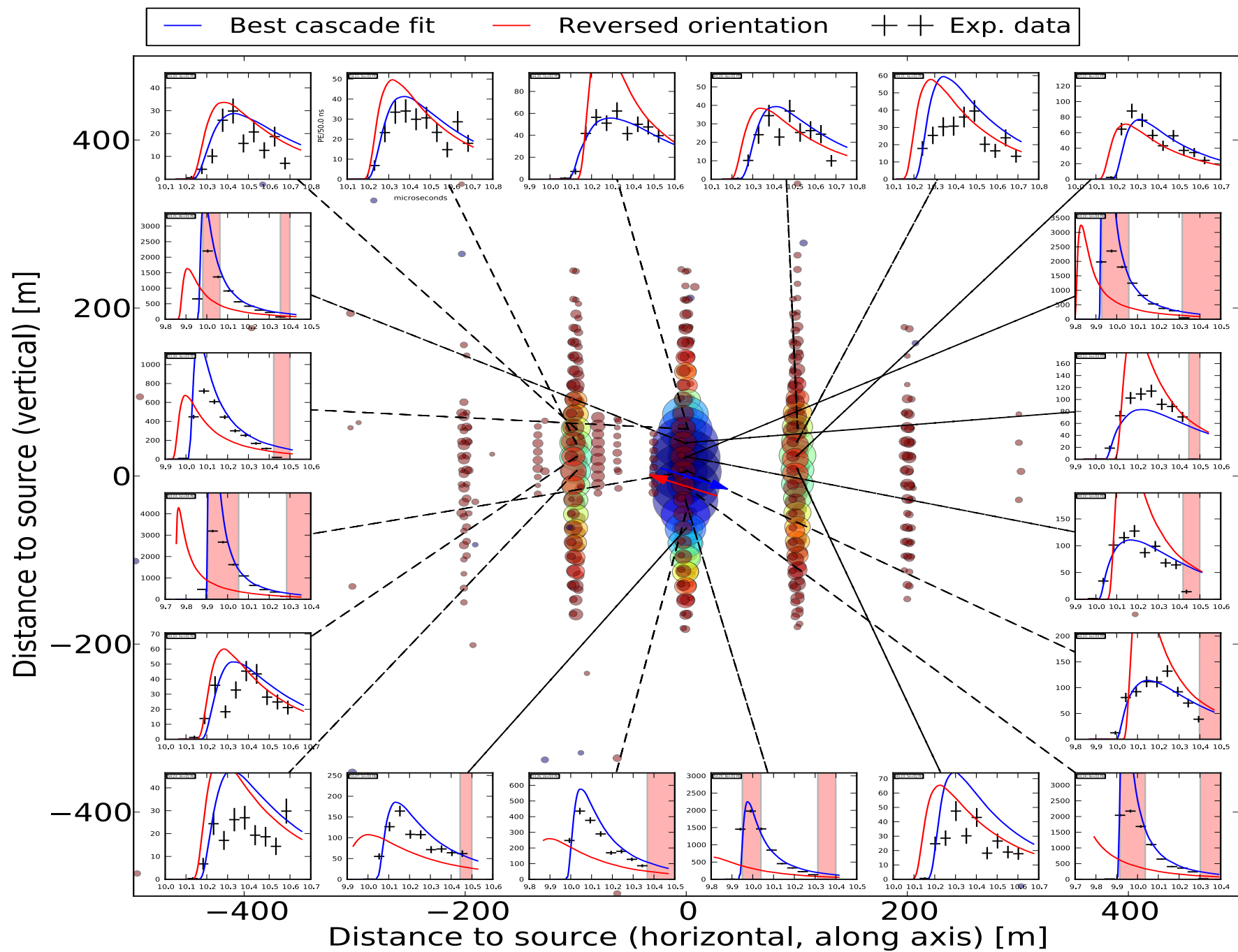
PeV ν_e and ν_τ showers:

- 10 m long
- volume $\sim 5 \text{ m}^3$
- isotropic after 25~ 50m

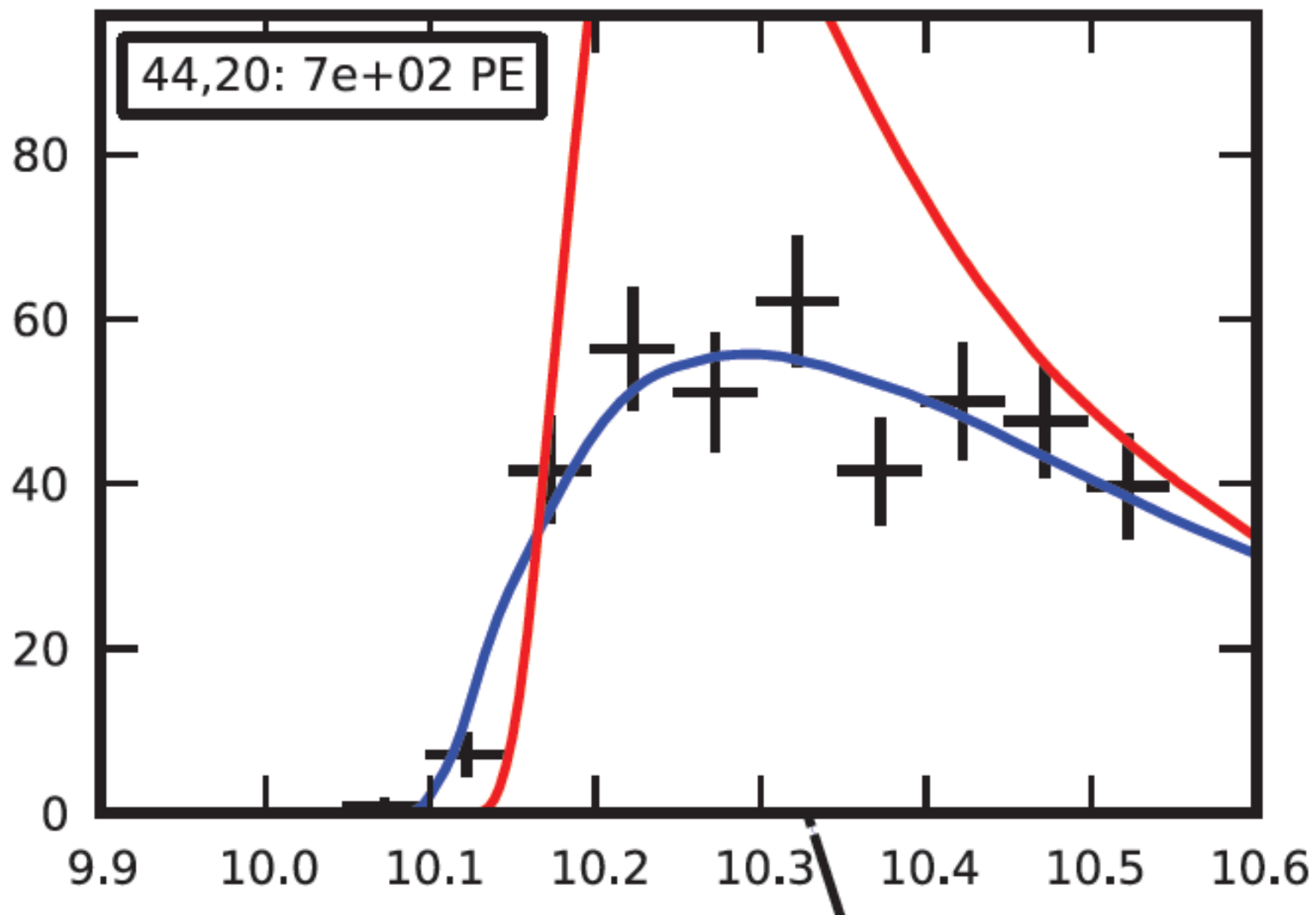




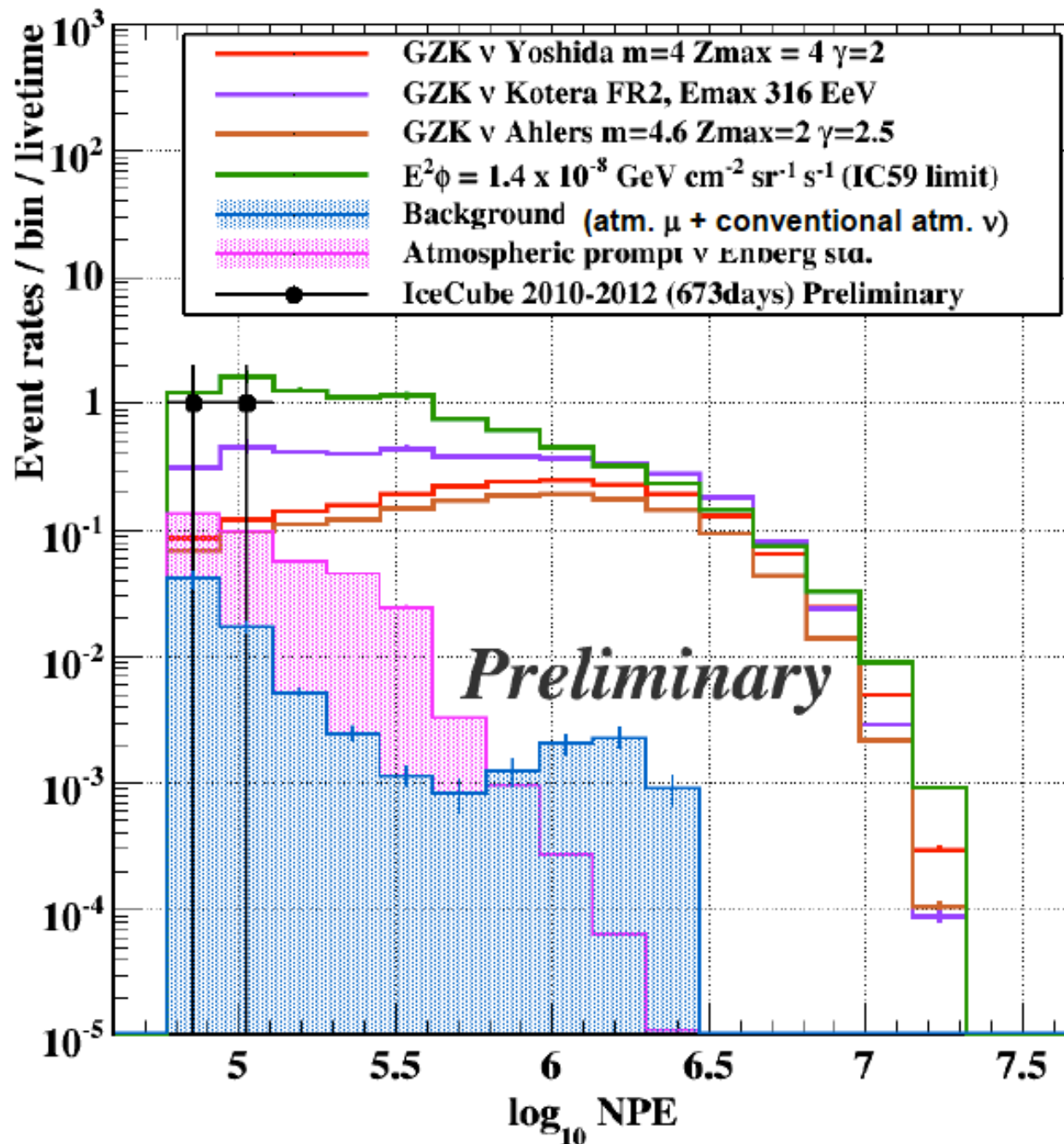




digital optical module 44 on string 20 only



Blue: best-fit direction, red: reversed direction



- energy

1,041 TeV

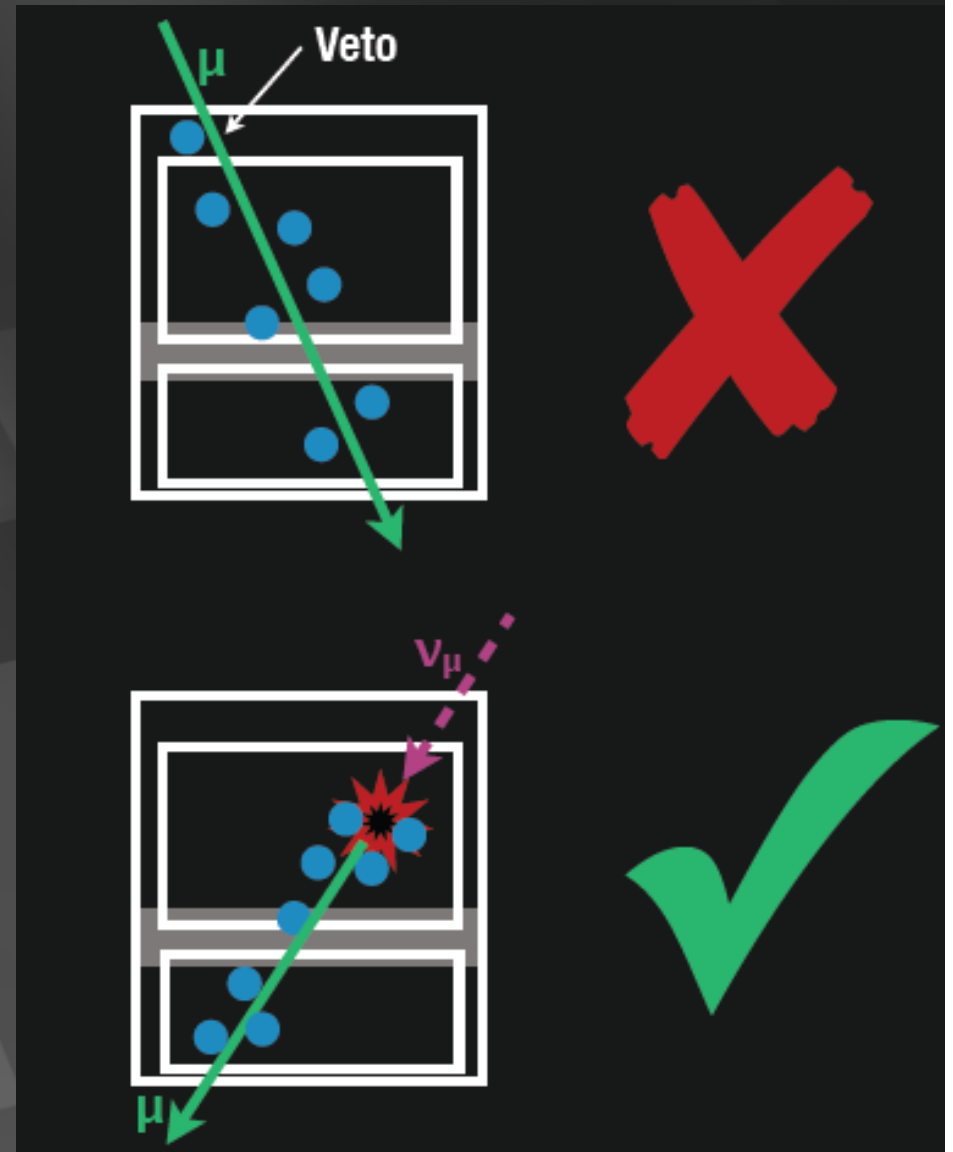
1,141 TeV

(15% resolution)

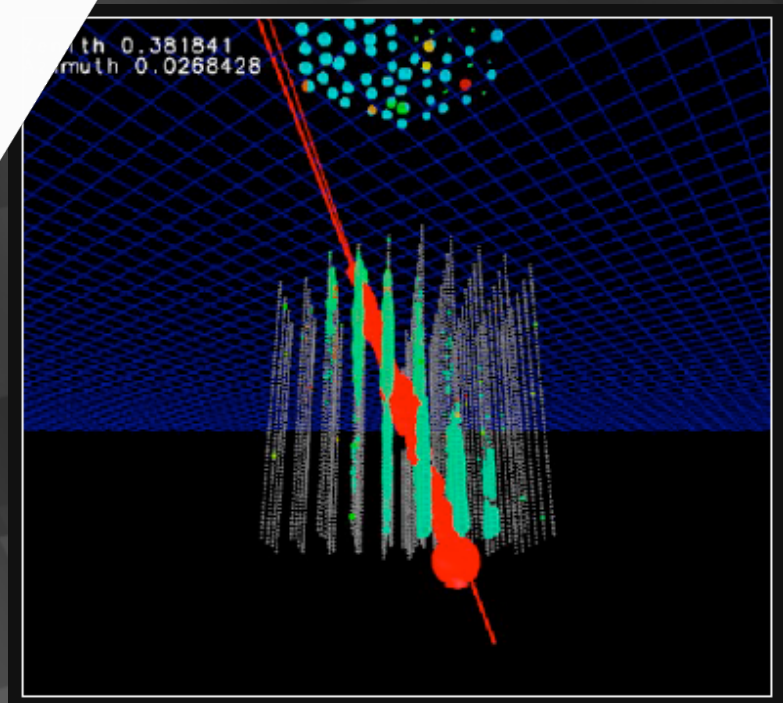
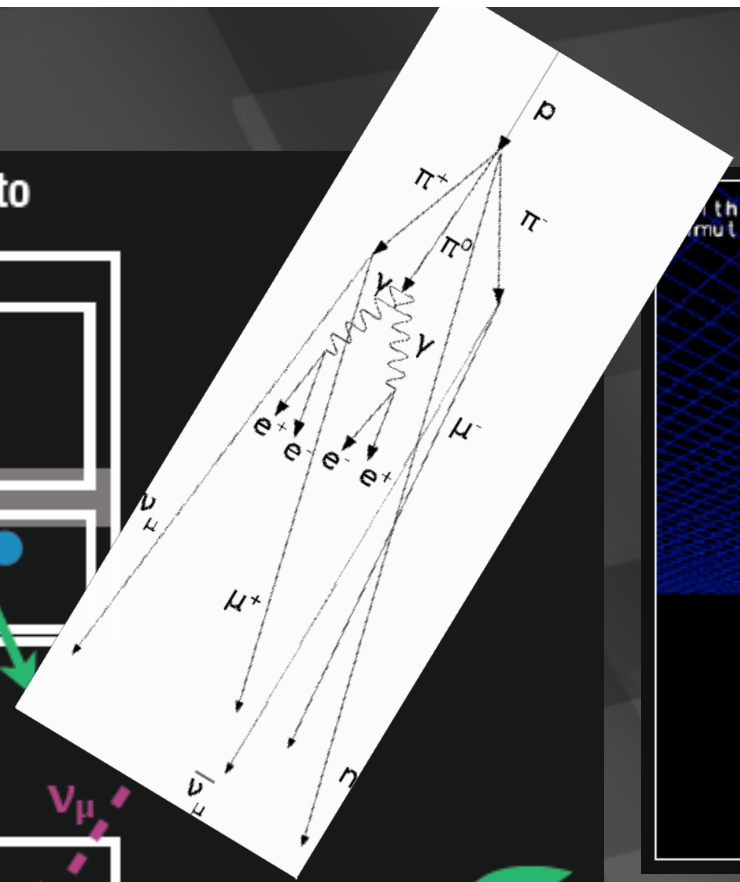
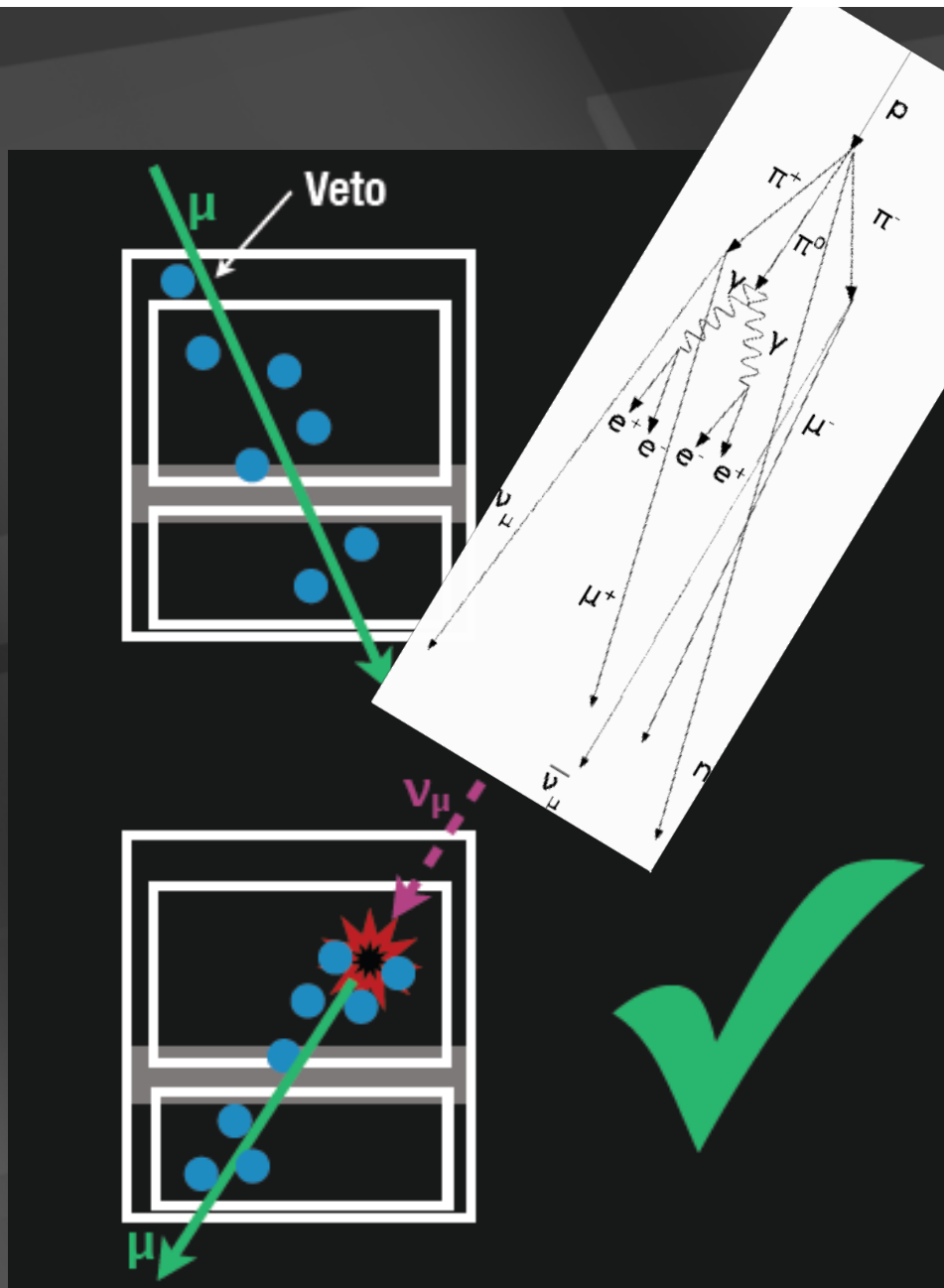
- not atmospheric:
probability of
no accompanying
muon is 10^{-3} per
event

→ flux at present
level of diffuse
limit

- find more contained events (420 Mton)
- total calorimetry
- complete sky coverage
- flavor determined
- some will be muon neutrinos with good angular resolution



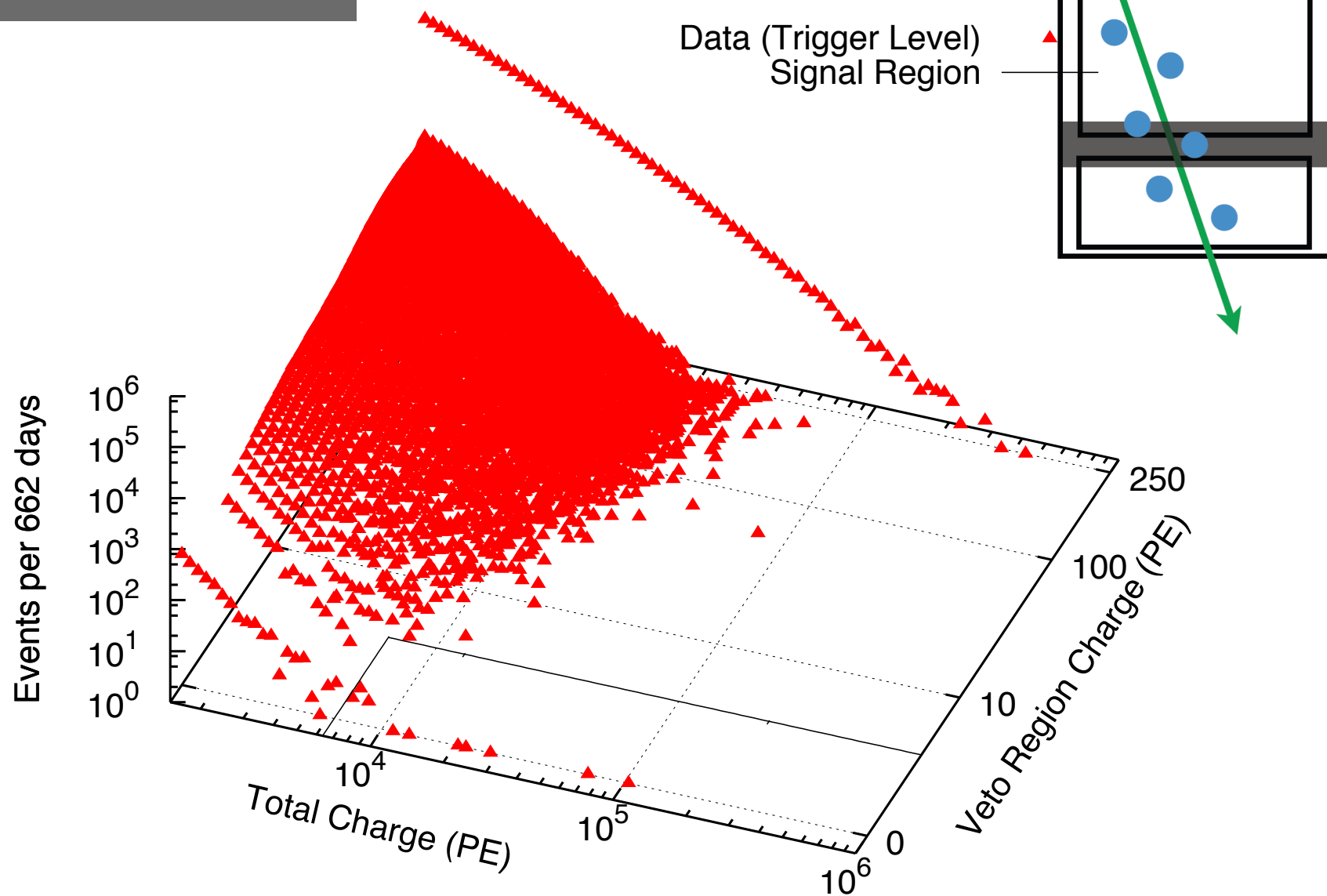
loss in statistics is compensated by event definition



atmospheric neutrinos are
accompanied by muons from
the shower that produced them:
none seen

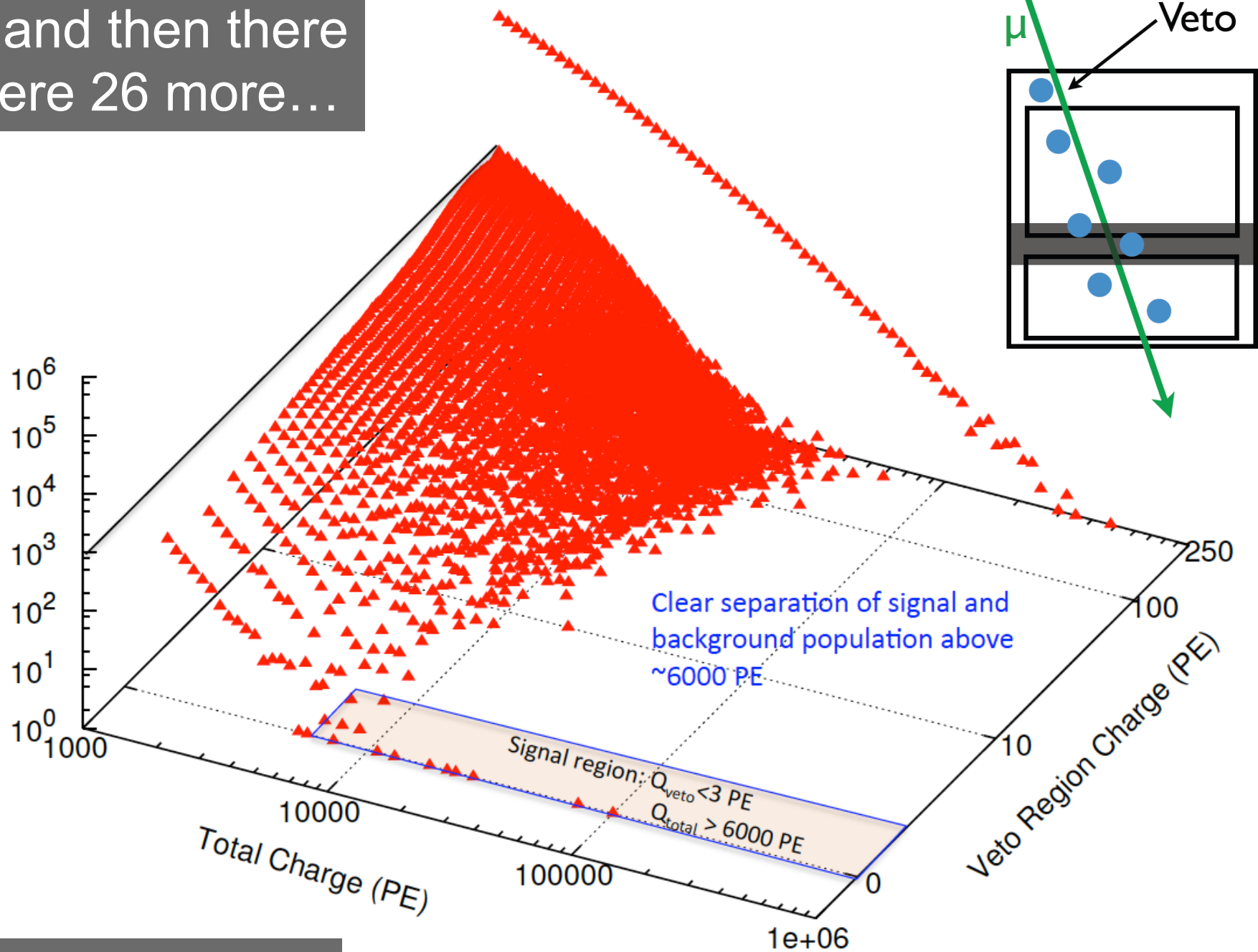
(also, no signals in IceTop)

...and then there
were 26 more...



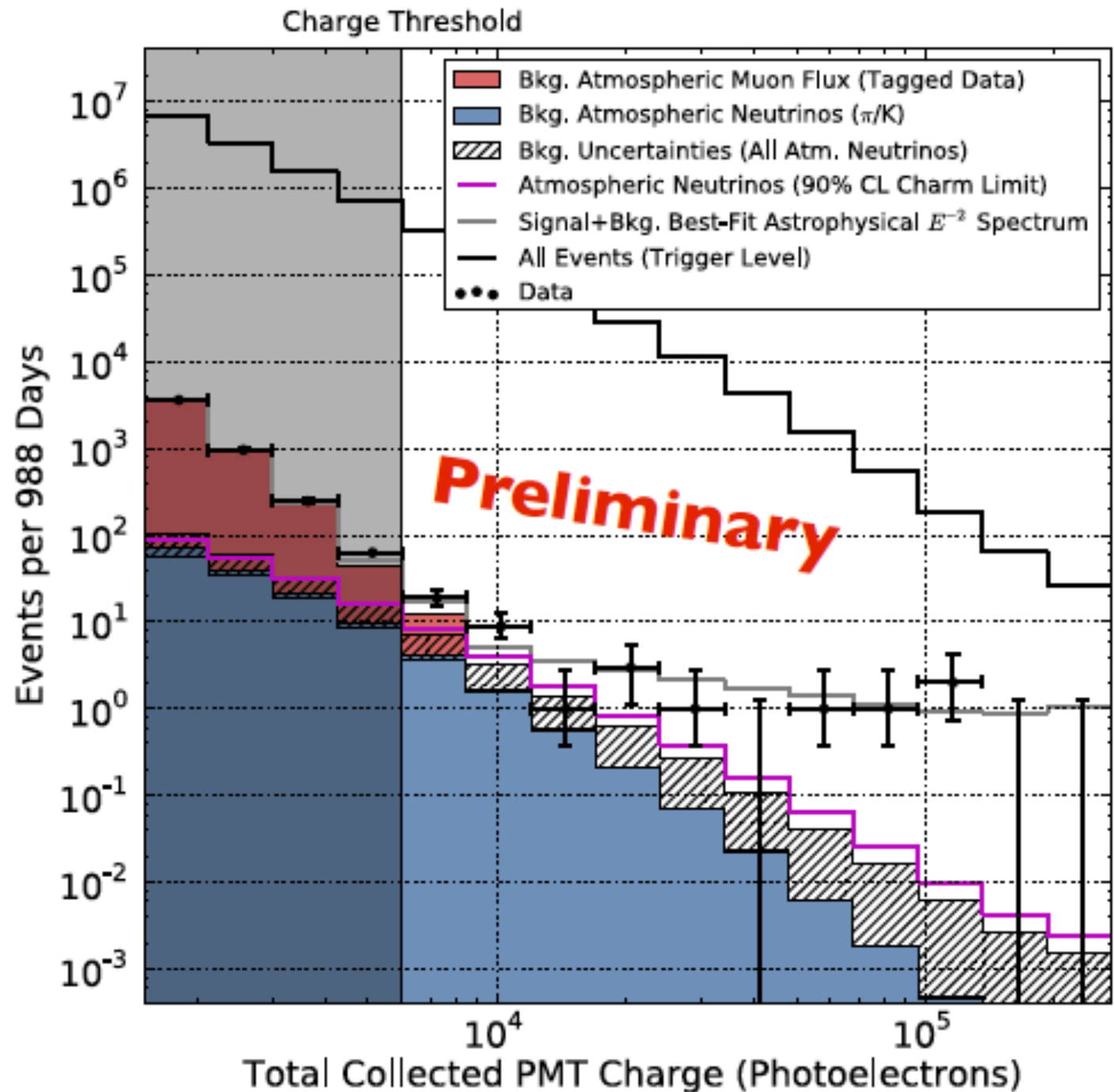
data: 86 strings one year

...and then there
were 26 more...

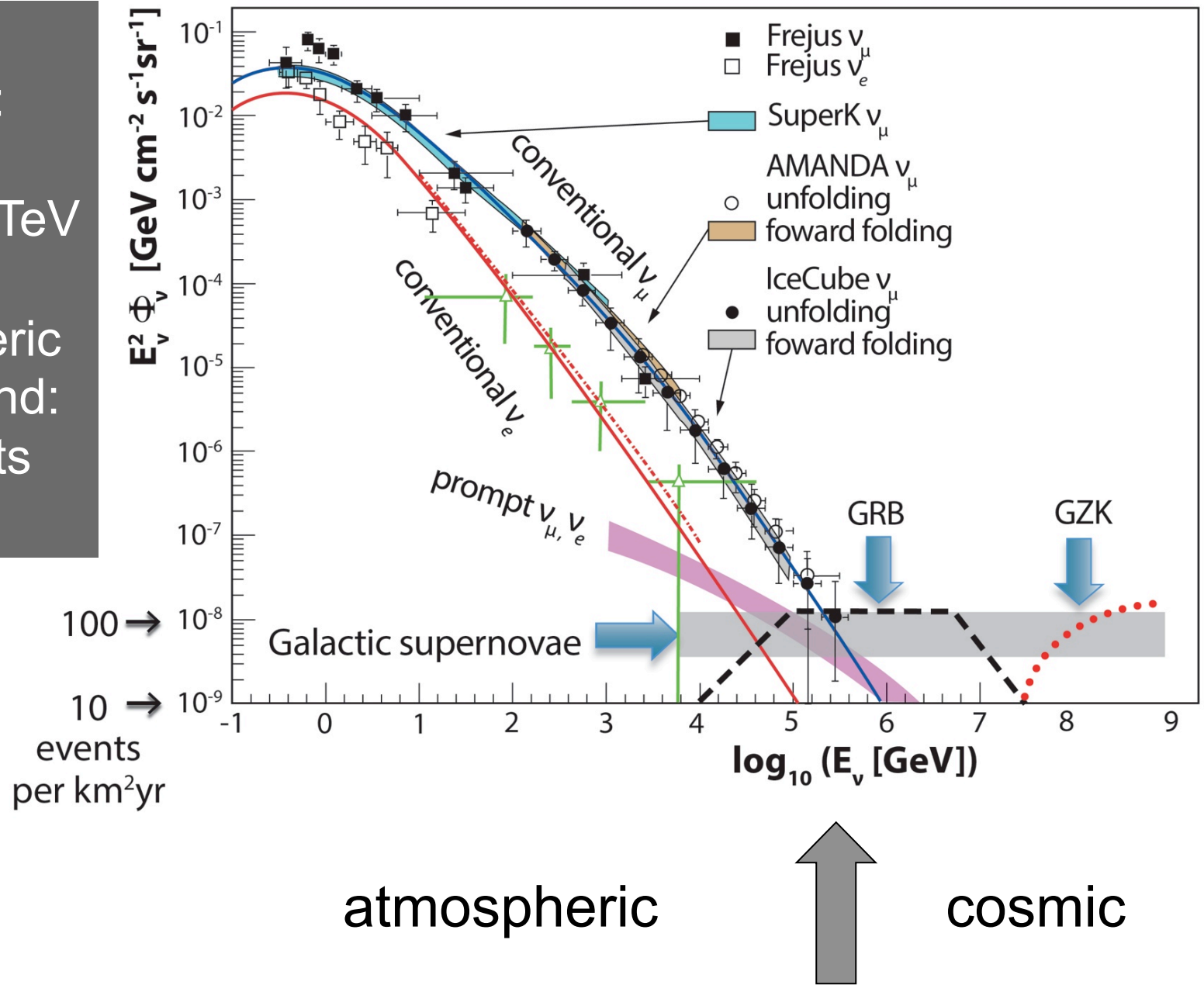


data: 86 strings one year

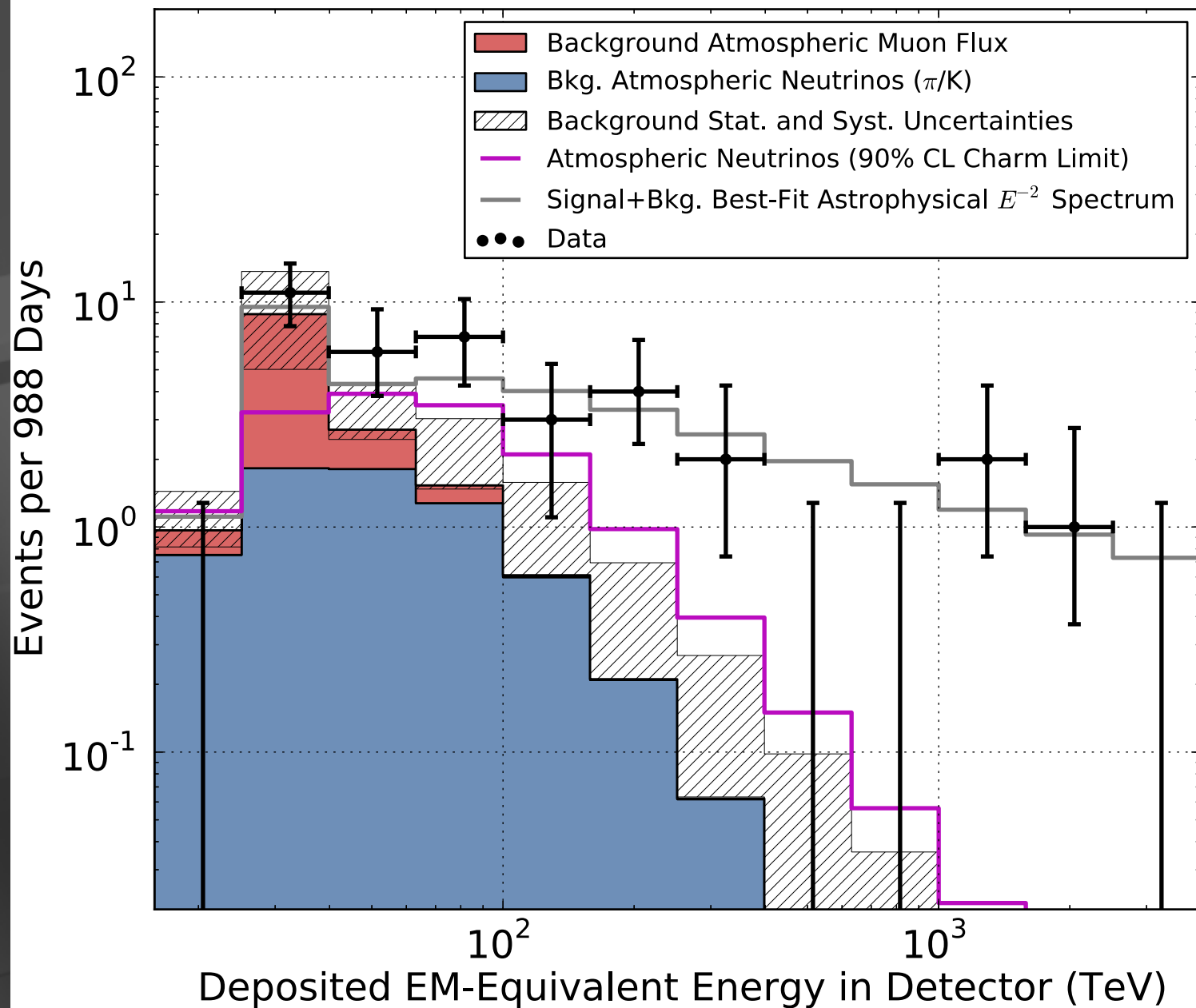
total charge
collected
by PMTs of
events with
interaction
inside the
detector



- cosmic neutrinos: energy $> 100 \text{ TeV}$
- atmospheric background: 1~2 events per year



3 years

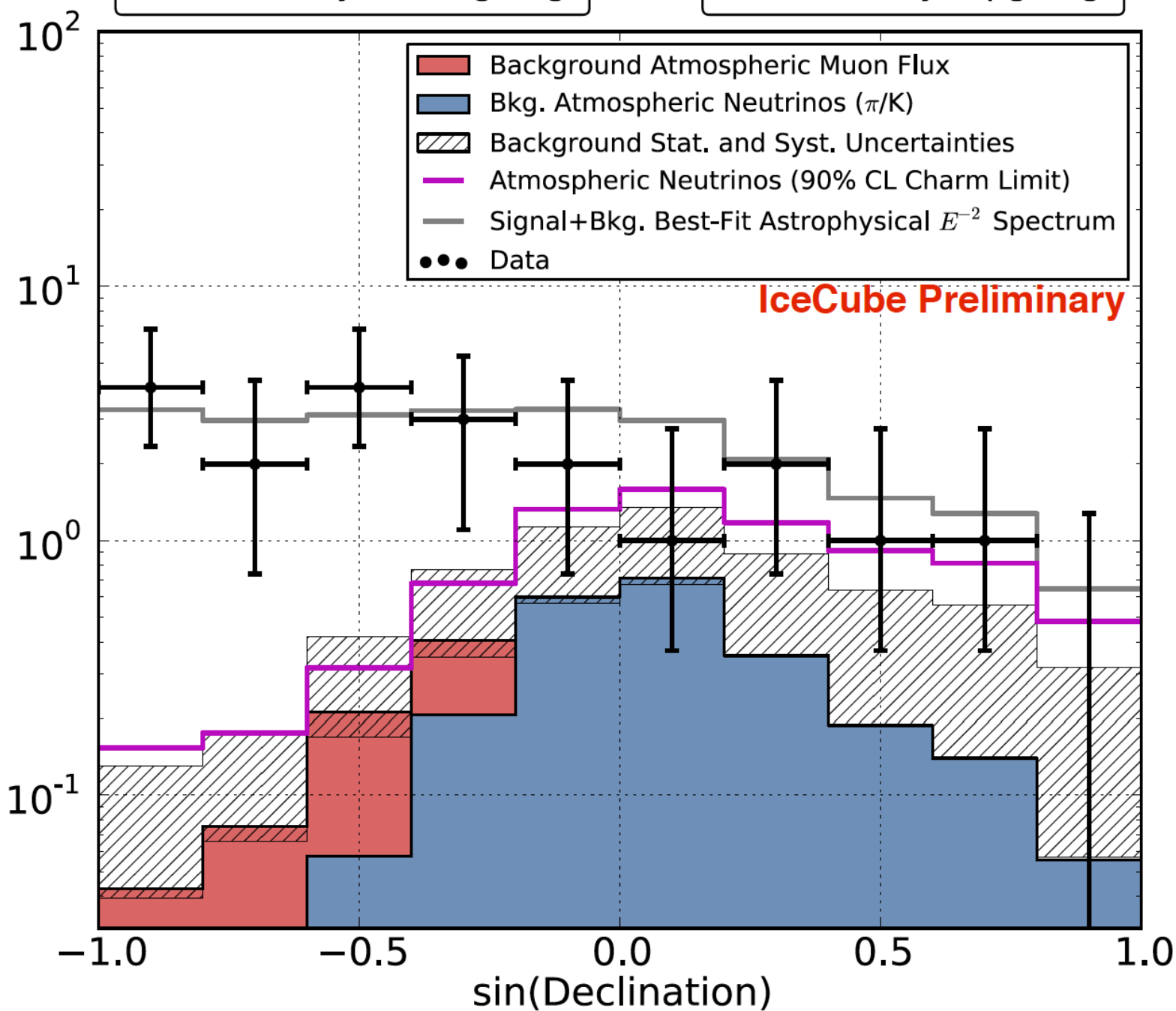


3 years

Events per 988 Days with deposited $E > 60$ TeV

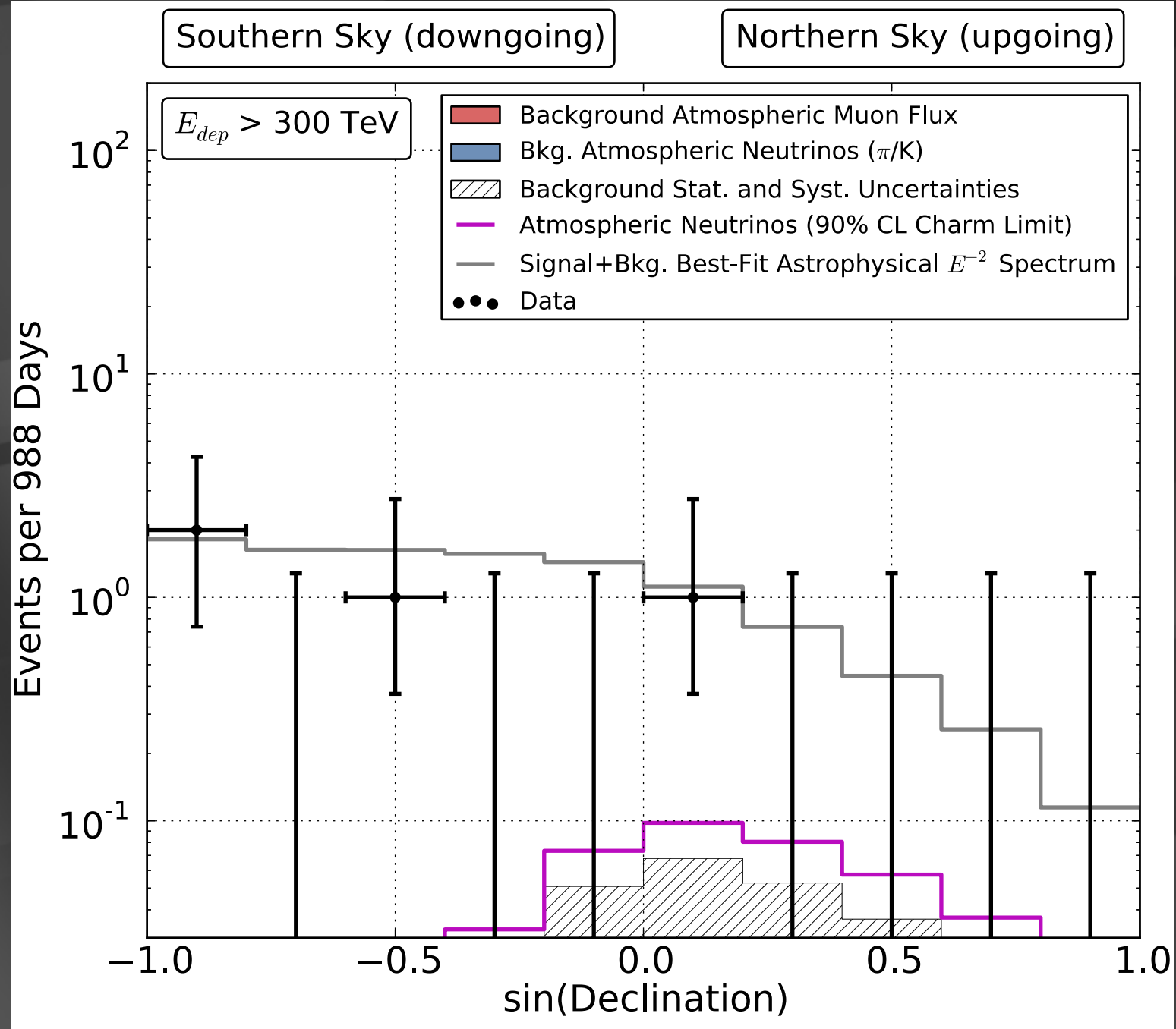
Southern Sky (downgoing)

Northern Sky (upgoing)



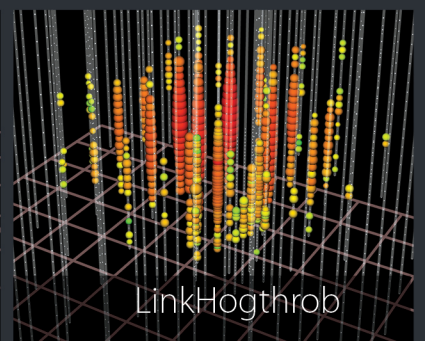
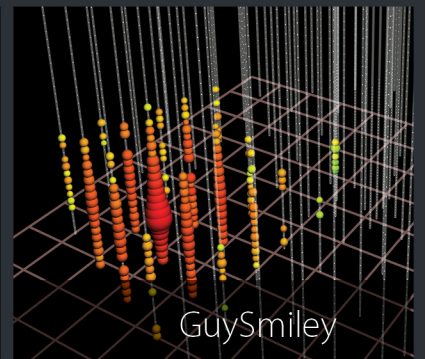
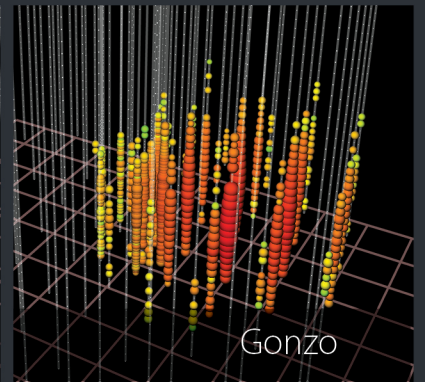
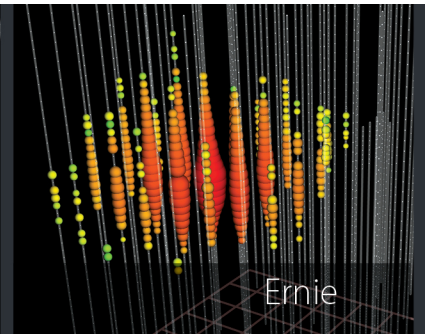
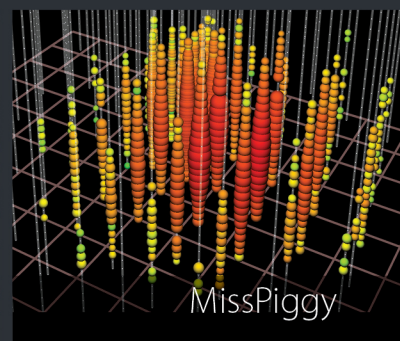
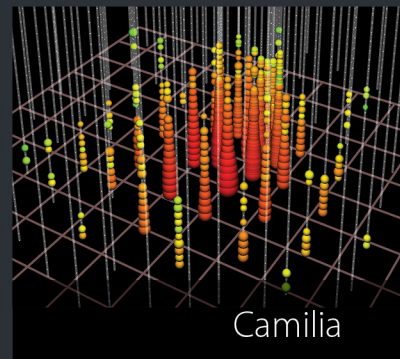
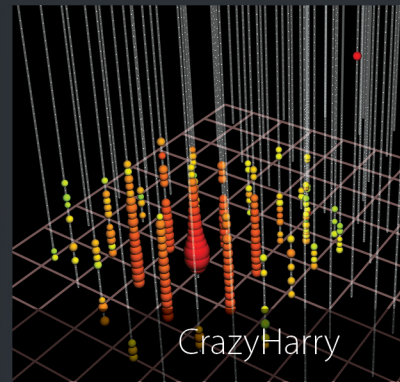
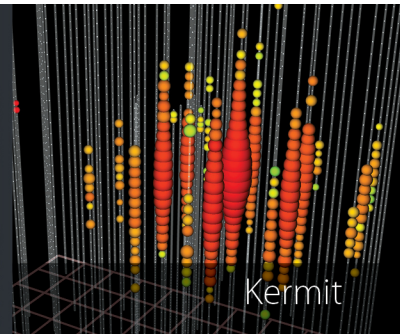
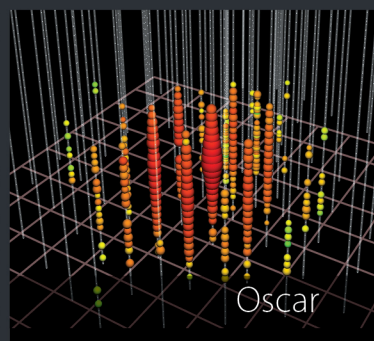
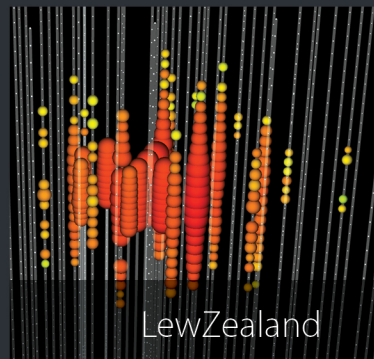
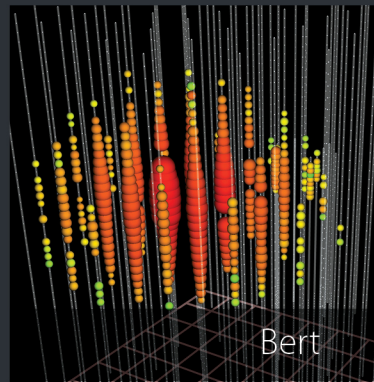
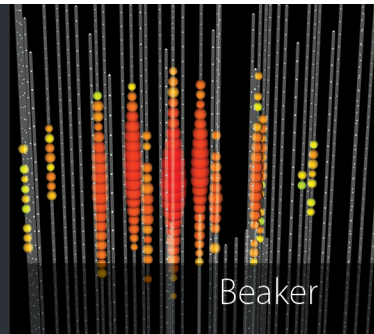
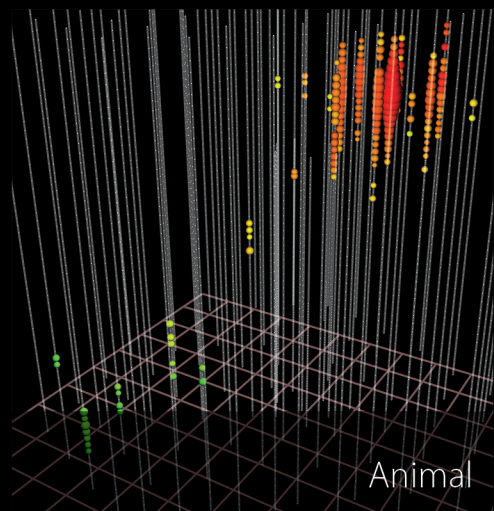
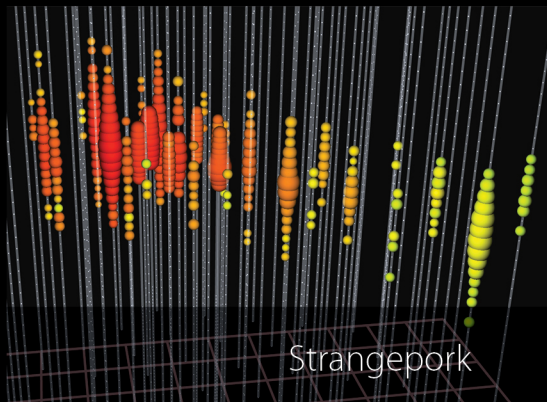
same plot animated:

- events versus background as a function of energy
- cuts from > 30 TeV (all events) to until only PeV events remain
- background disappears ~ 60 TeV

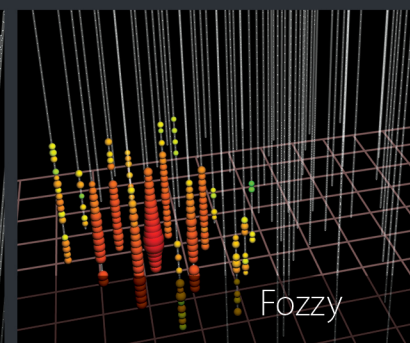
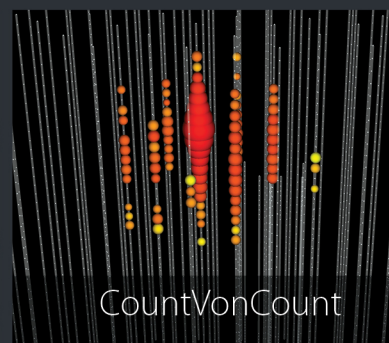
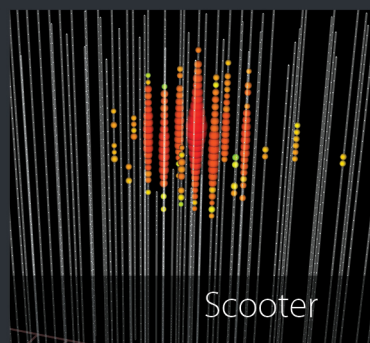
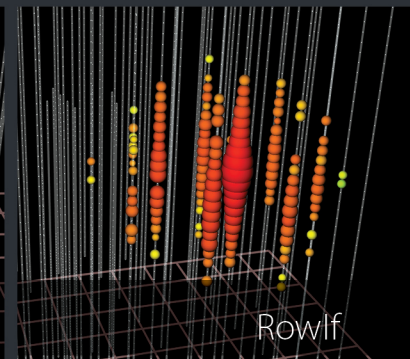
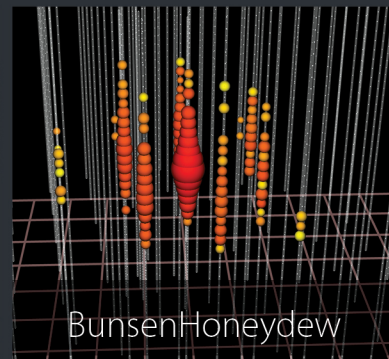
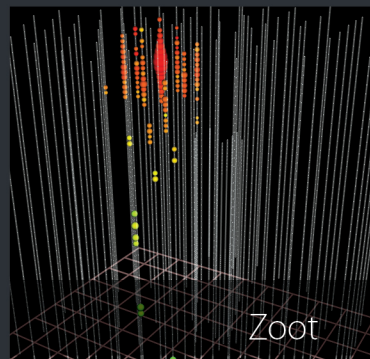
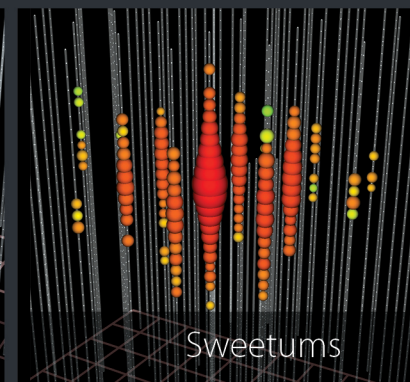
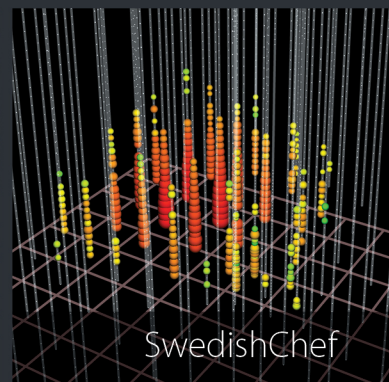
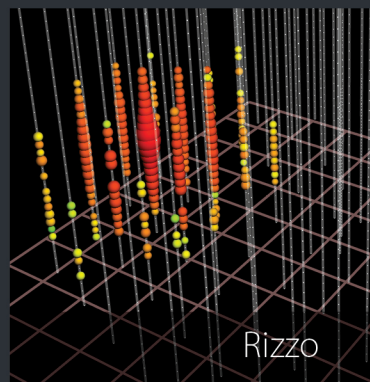
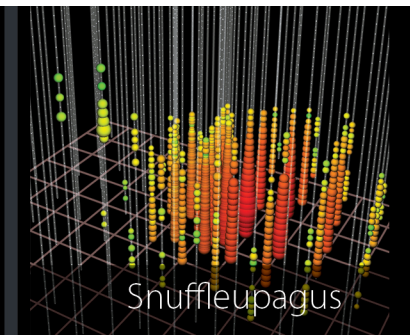
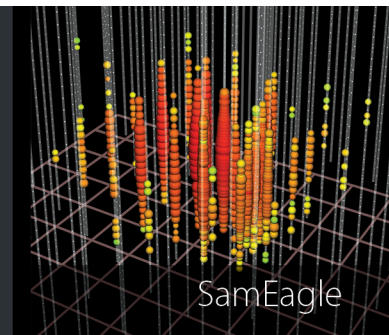
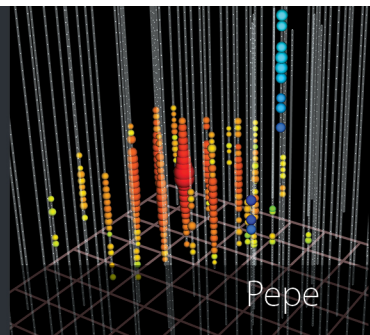
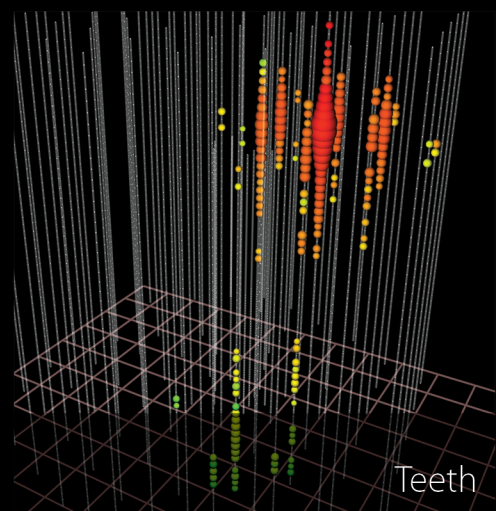
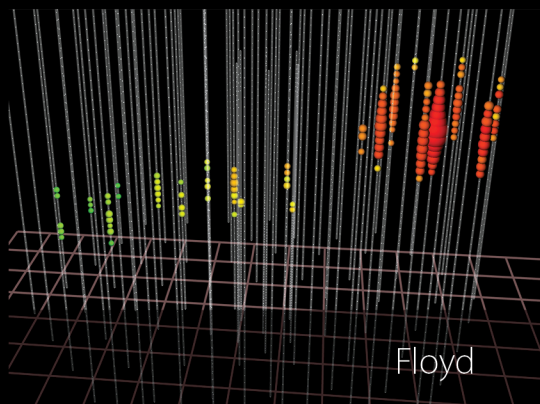


- all features agree with signal,
not with background
- each event can be scrutinized

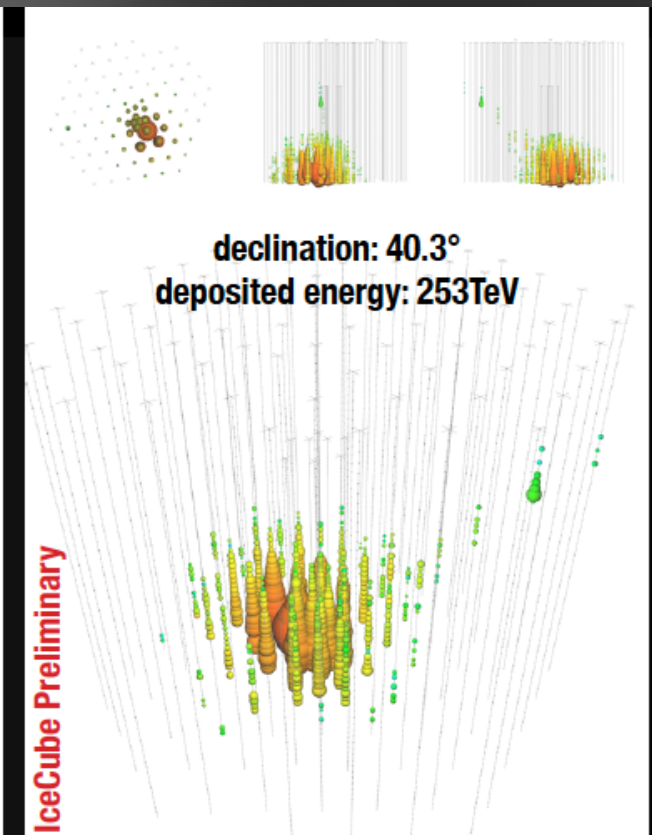
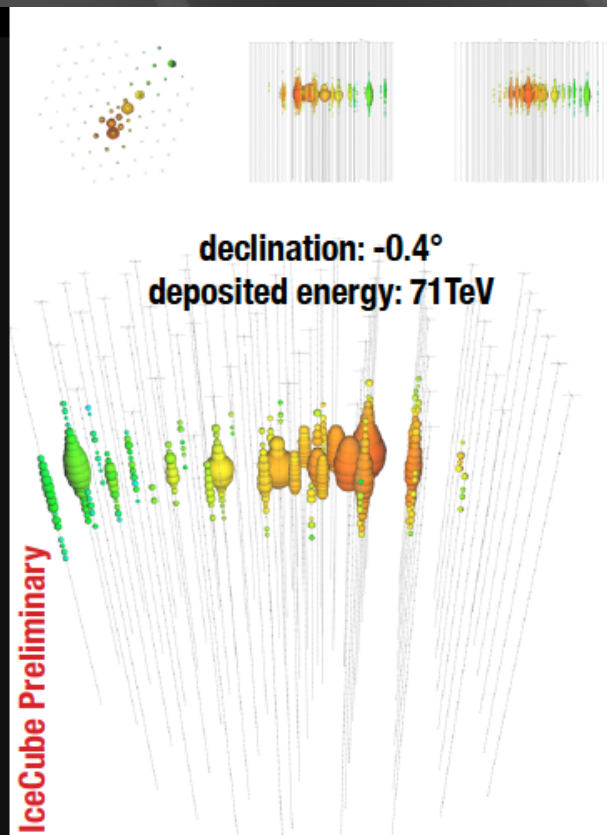
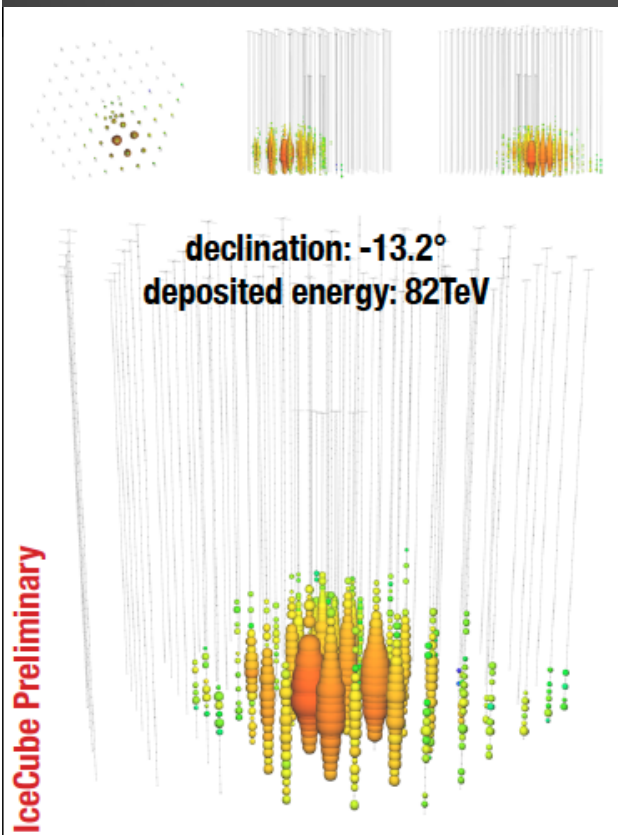
28 High Energy Events



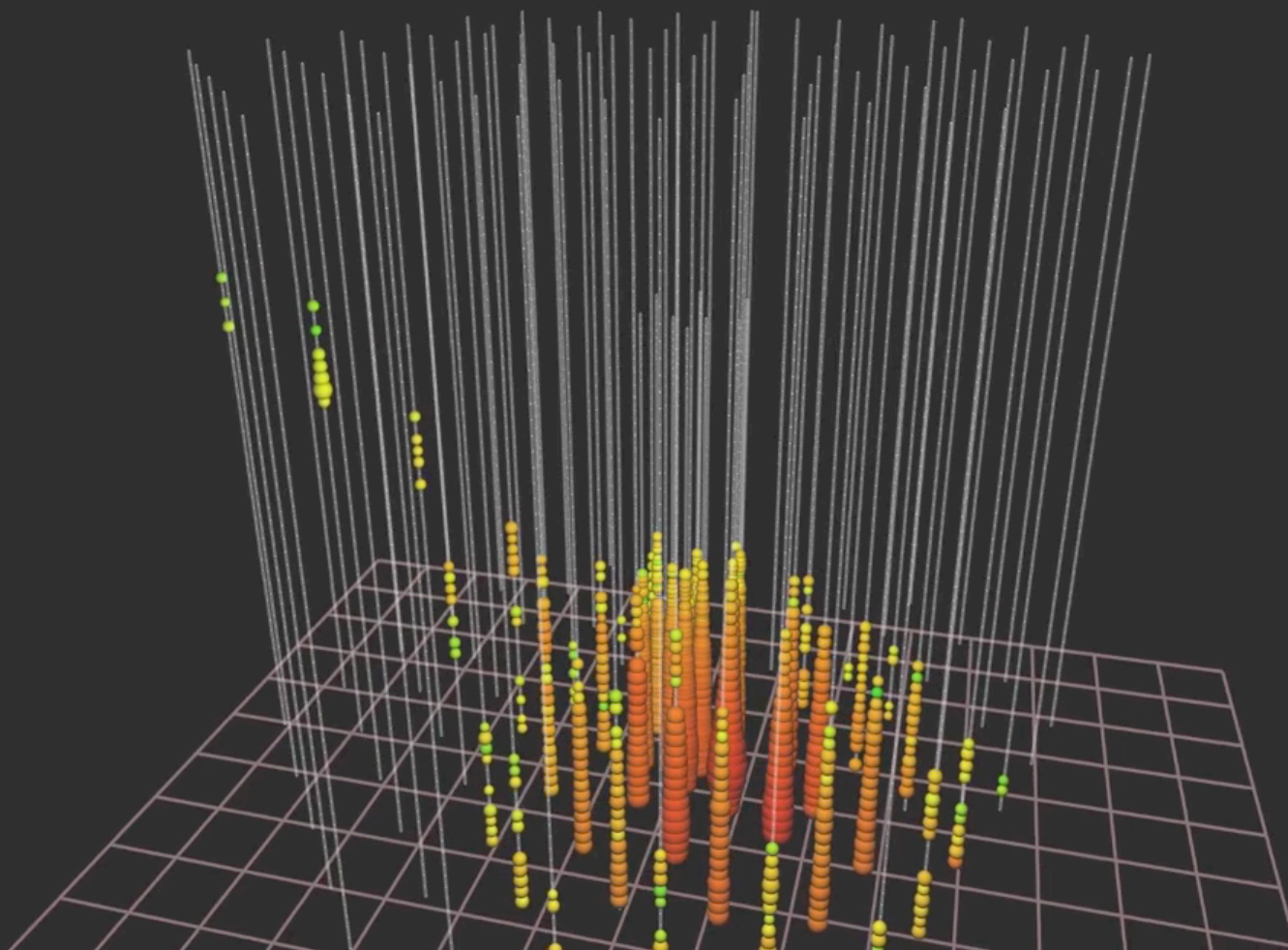
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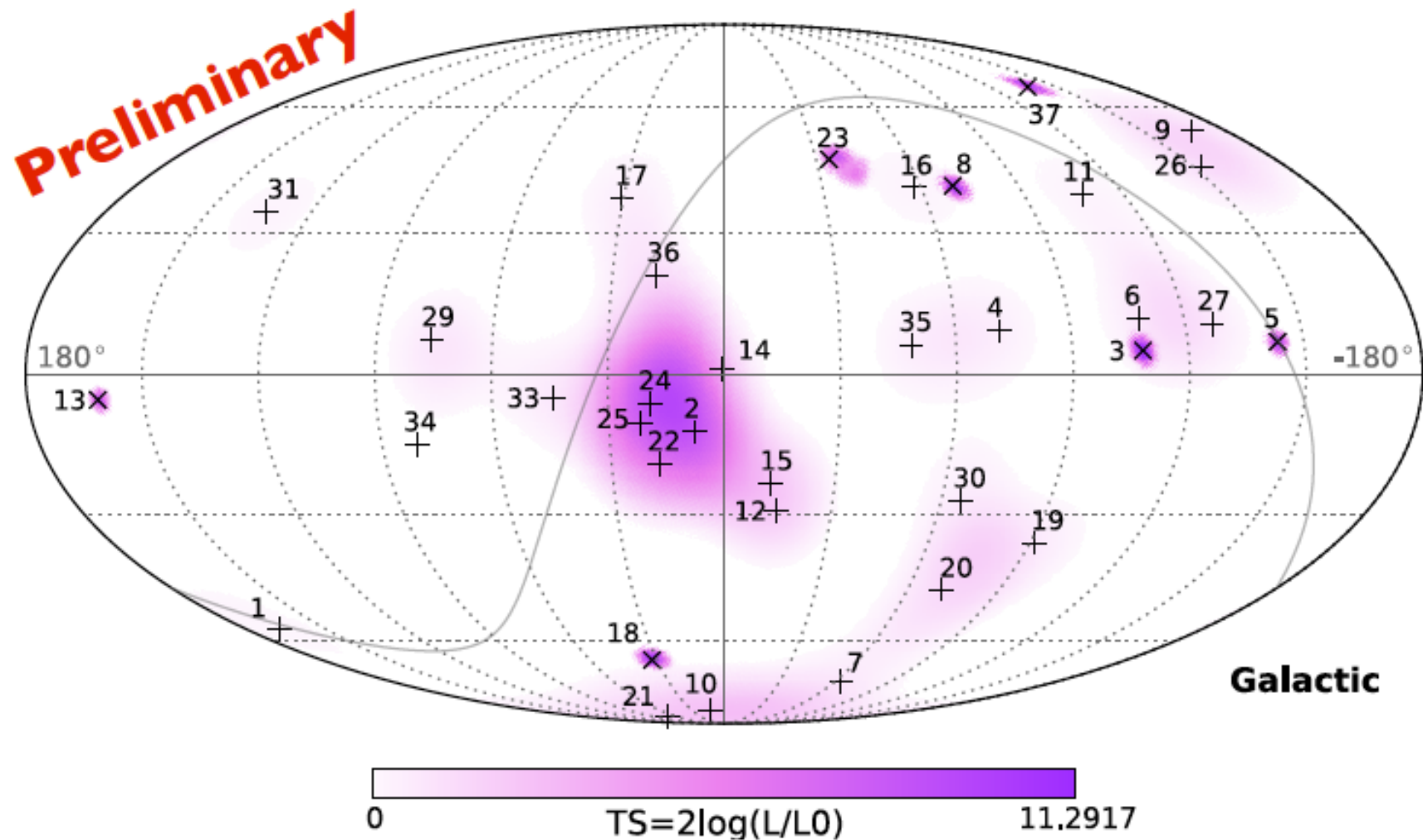
some interesting events



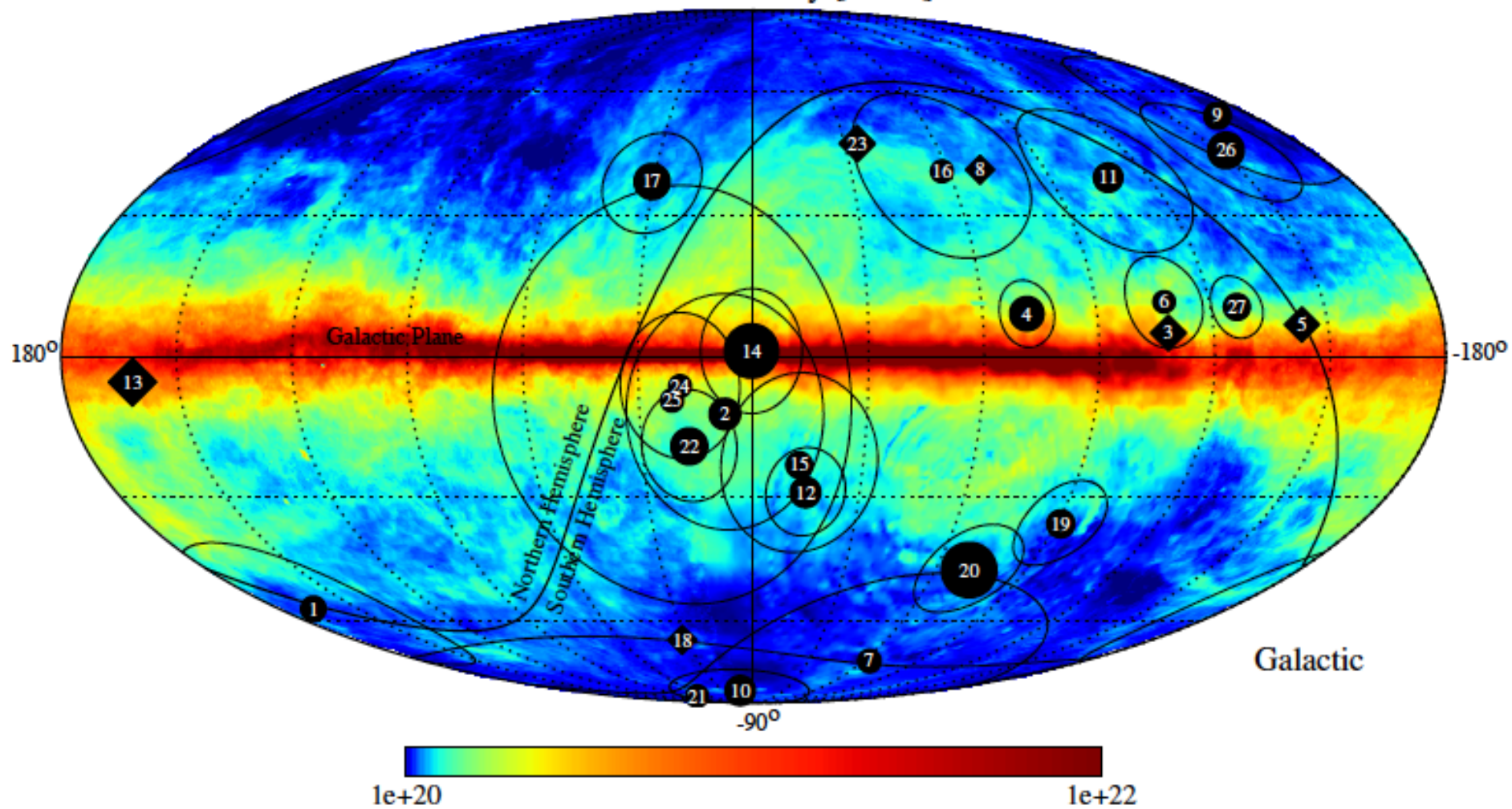
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t = 16035 ns



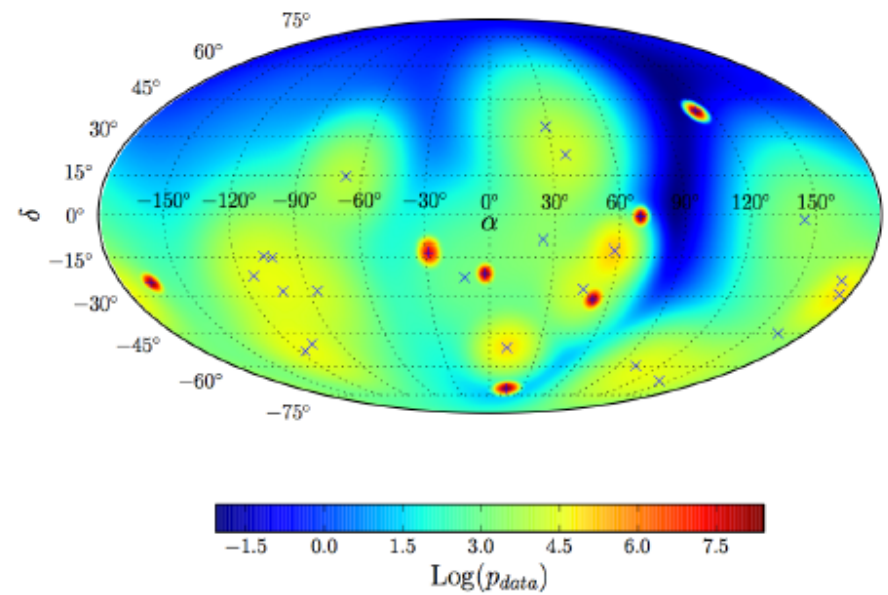
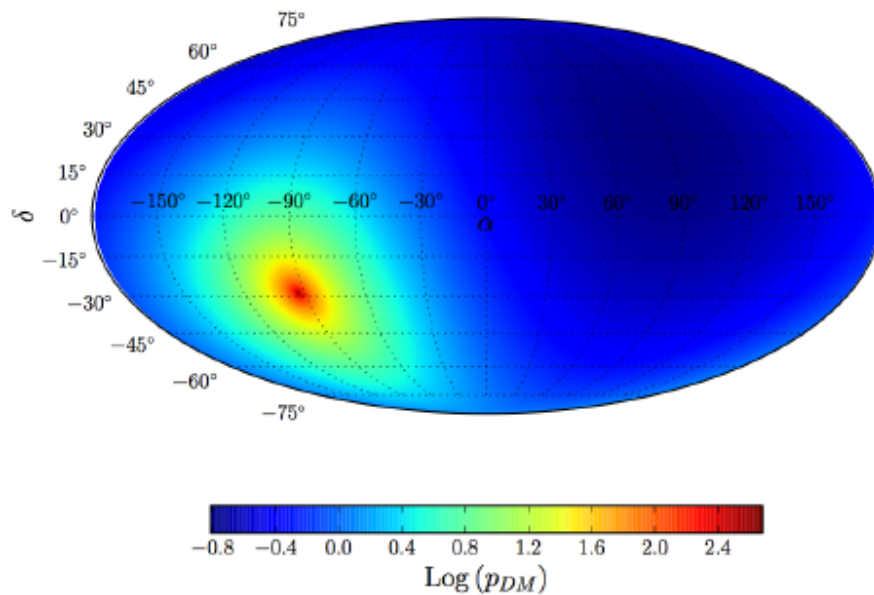
where do they come from (3 year data)?



HI column density [cm^{-2}]



expect surprises: produced by Galactic dark matter halo?





conclusions

- first observation of cosmic neutrinos
- origin not revealed yet, but...
- one more year of data by May 15
- better and different analyses soon
(well-reconstructed ν_μ)

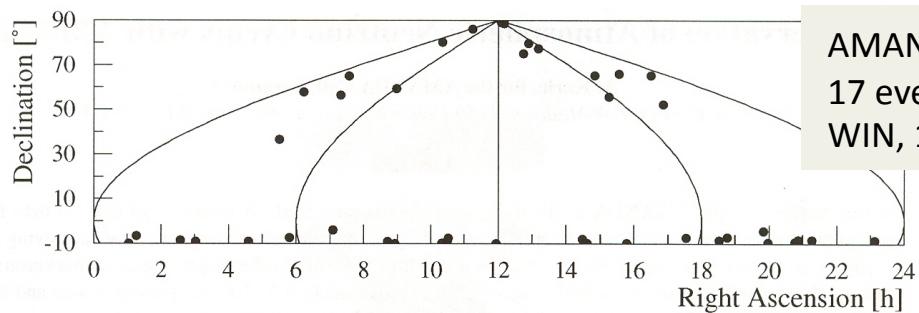
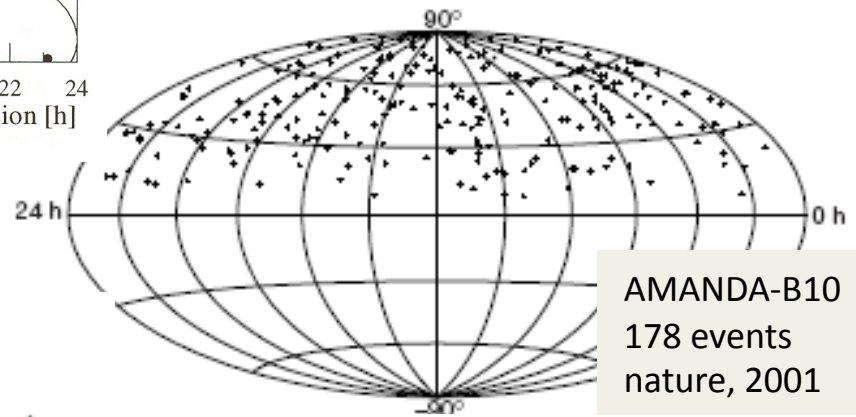
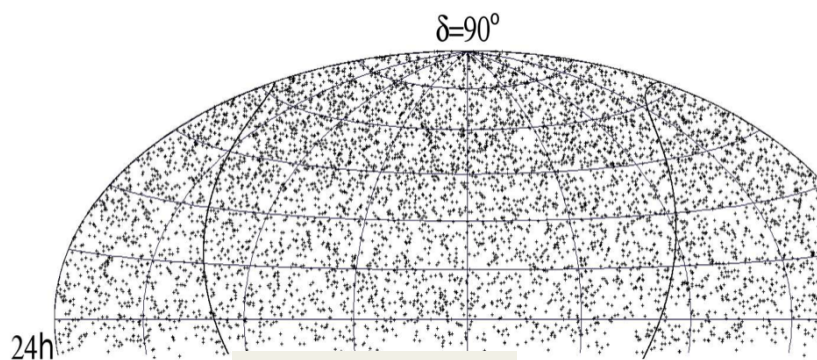


Figure 2: Sky plot of all events that pass level 4 quality cuts.

AMANDA-B10
17 events
WIN, 1999

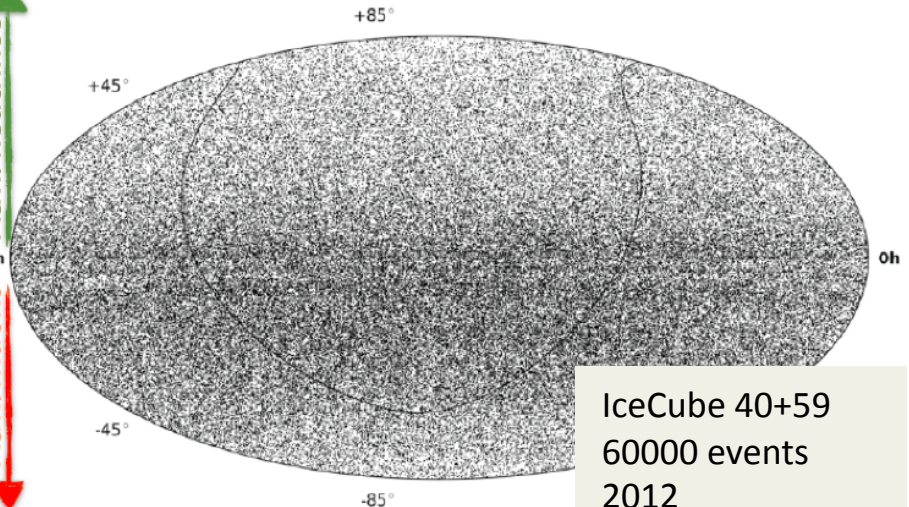


AMANDA-B10
178 events
nature, 2001



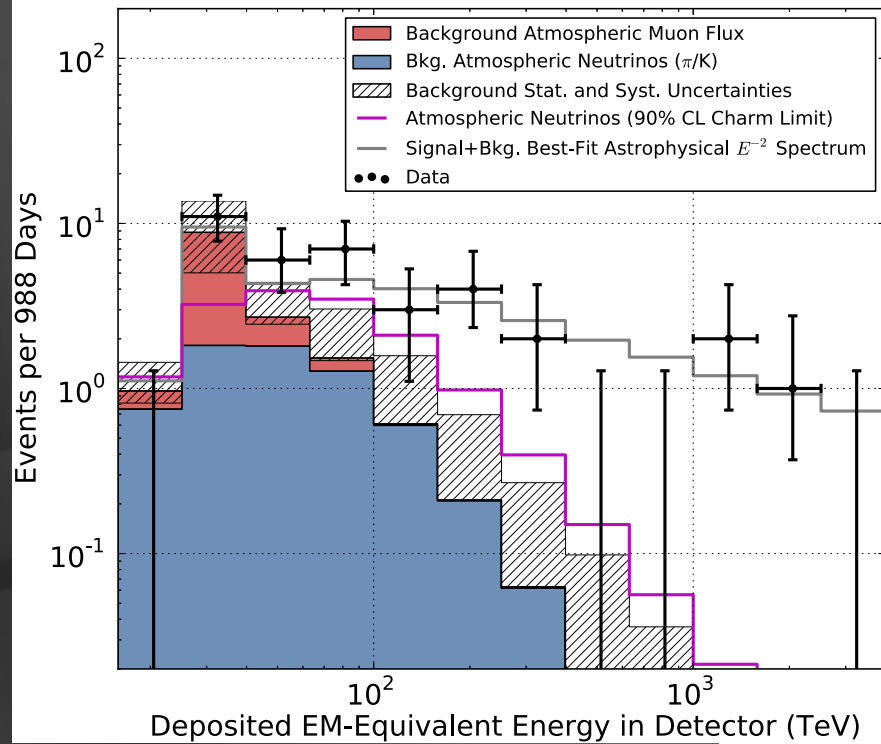
AMANDA-II
7 years
6995 events
2006

Atm. neutrinos
Atm. muons

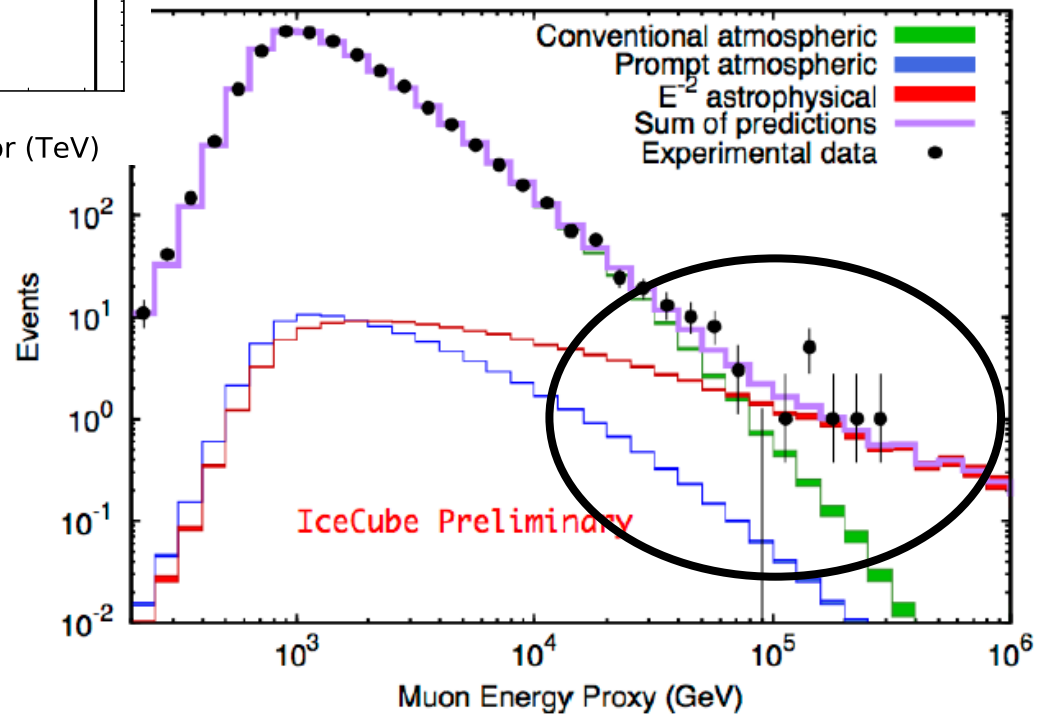


IceCube 40+59
60000 events
2012

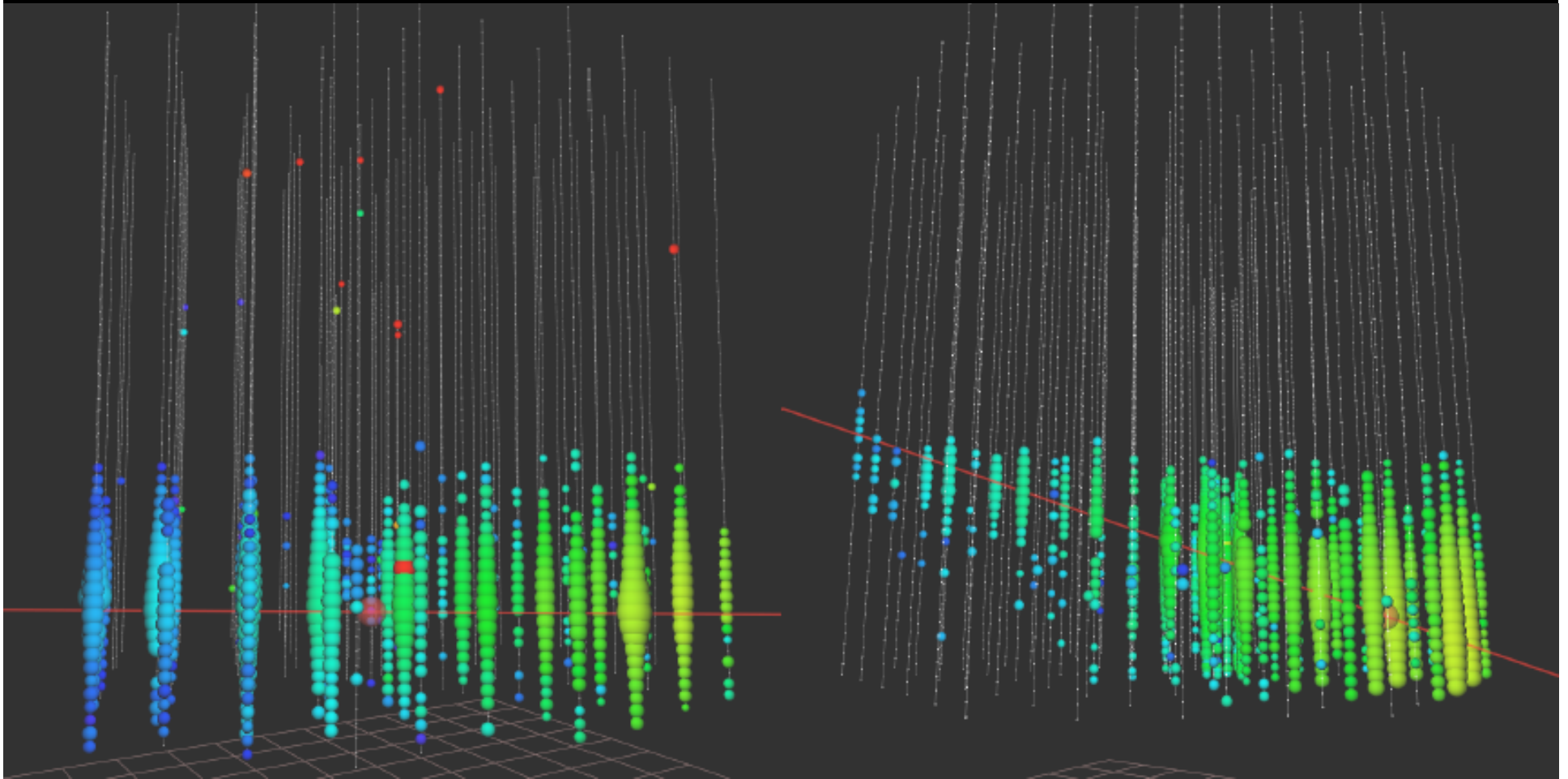
3.9 σ confirmation!
flux of muon neutrinos
through the Earth



neutrinos of all flavors
interacting inside
IceCube

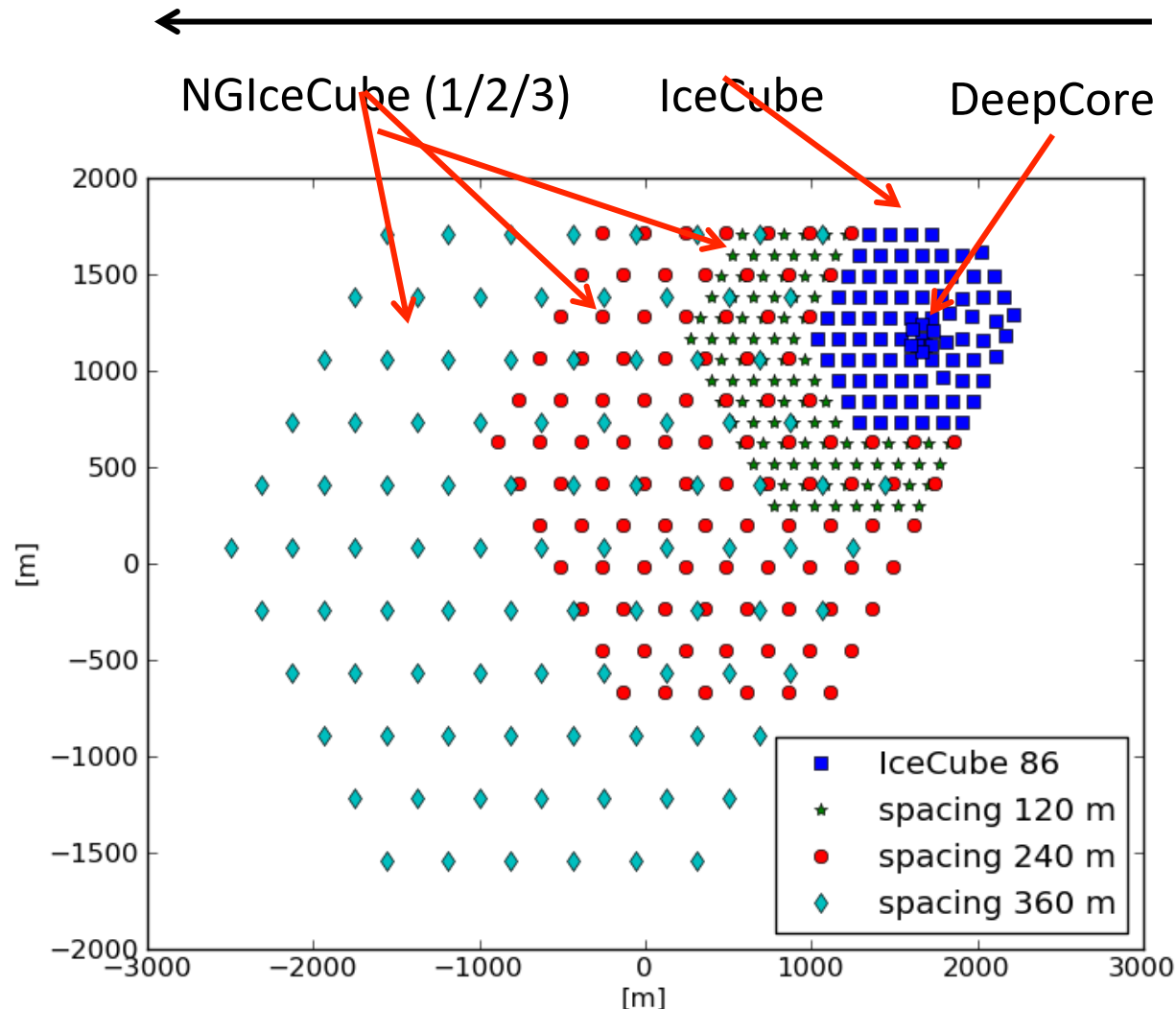


highest energy muon energy observed: 560 TeV



measured optical properties → twice the string spacing

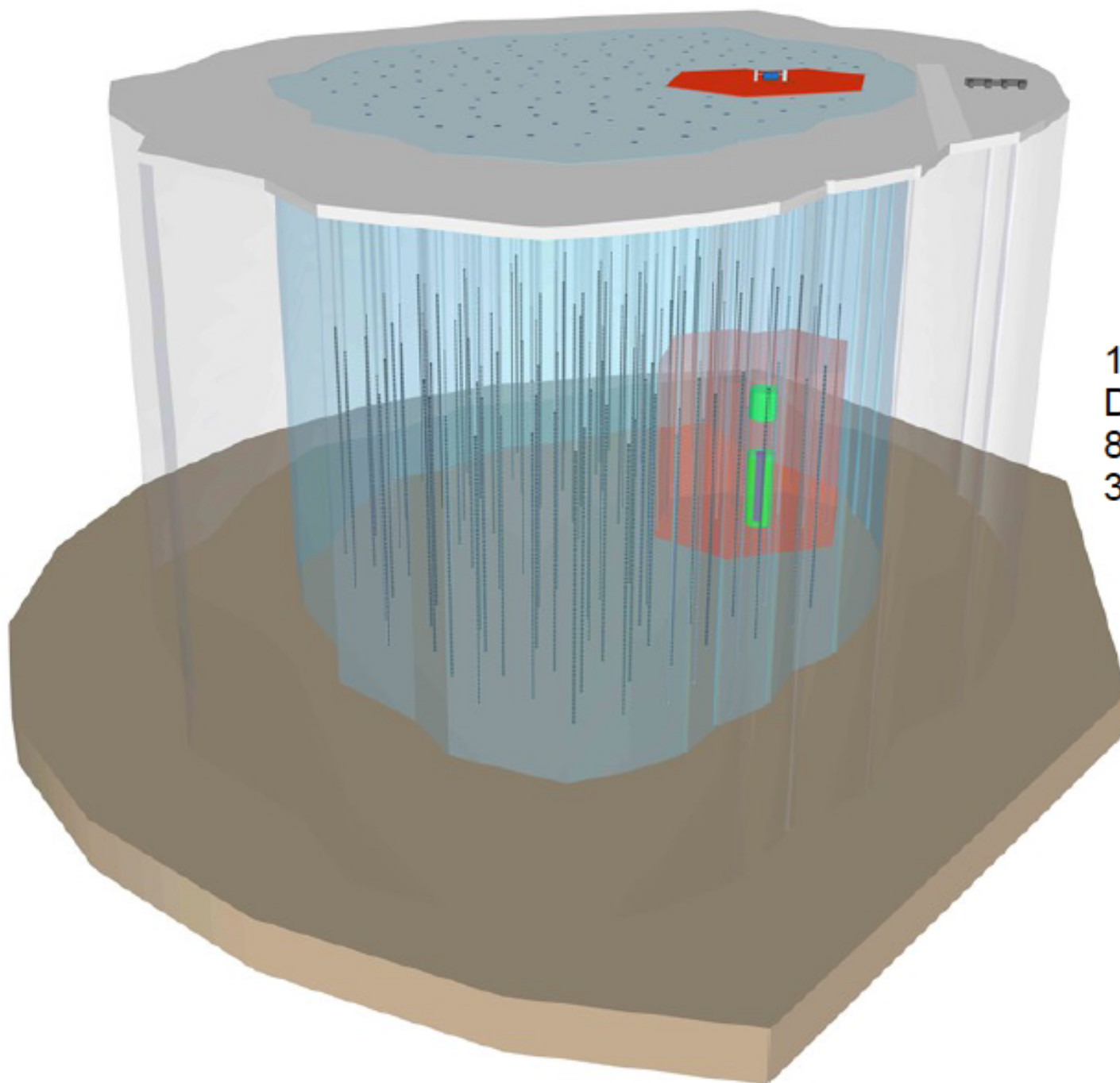
(increase in threshold not important: only eliminates energies where atmospheric background dominates)



Spacing 1 (120m):
IceCube (1 km^3)
+ 98 strings ($1,3 \text{ km}^3$)
= $2,3 \text{ km}^3$

Spacing 2 (240m):
IceCube (1 km^3)
+ 99 strings ($5,3 \text{ km}^3$)
= $6,3 \text{ km}^3$

Spacing 3 (360m):
IceCube (1 km^3)
+ 95 strings ($11,6 \text{ km}^3$)
= $12,6 \text{ km}^3$



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

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