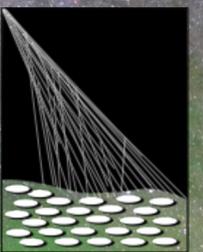


# The Universe at the Highest Energies

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# Astroparticle physics

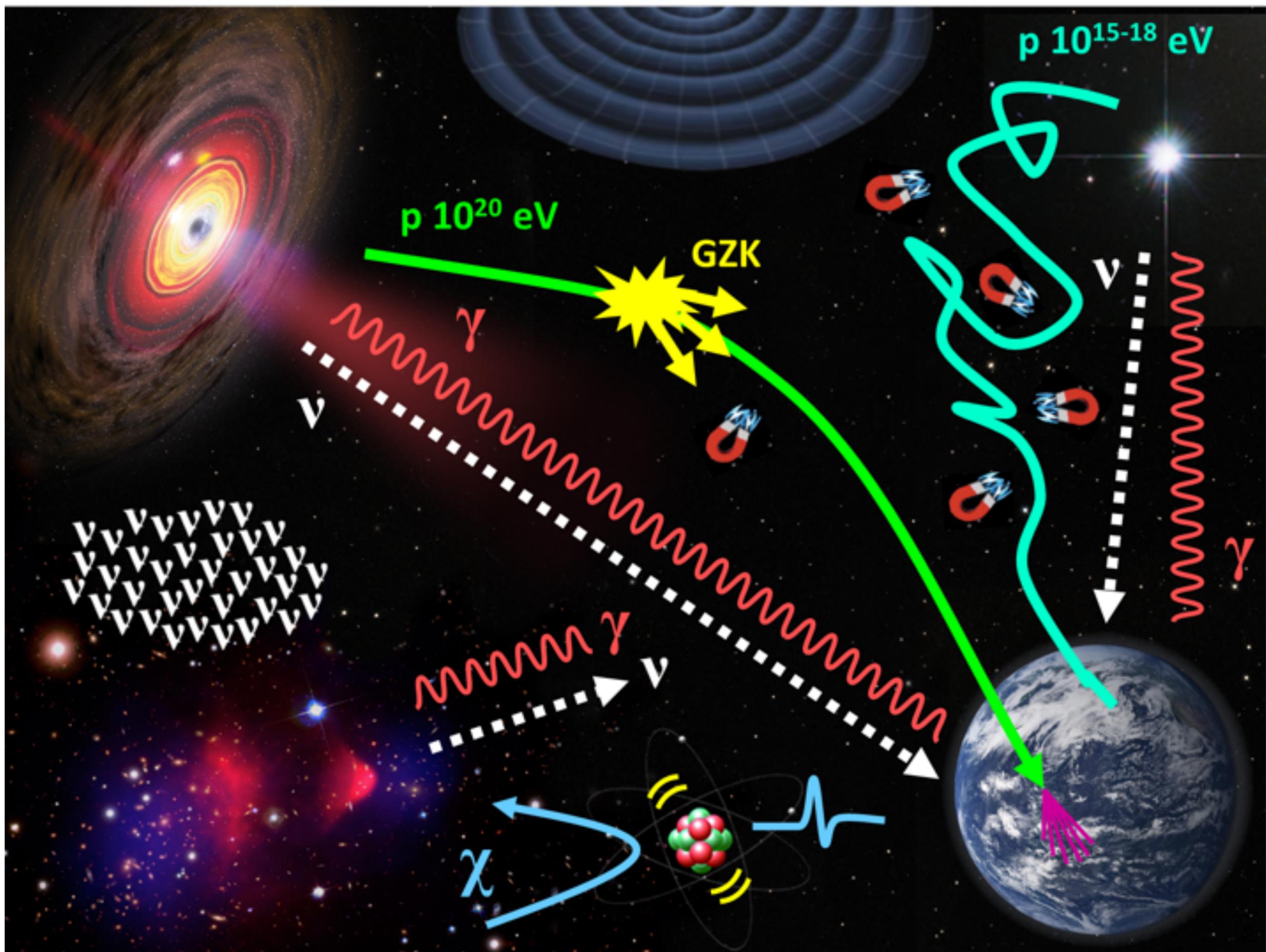
Very rapidly developing field  
Largely driven by observations

Enormous diversity

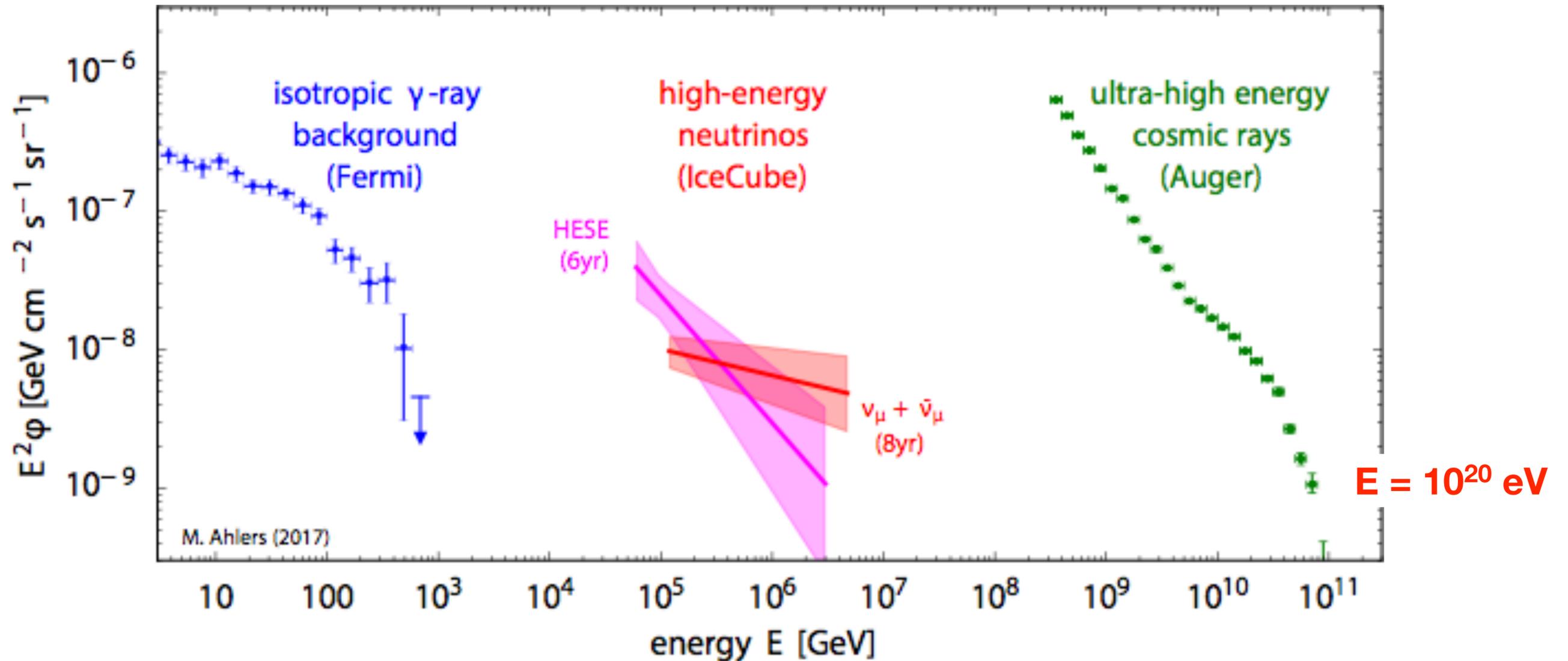
- Cosmic rays
- Gamma rays
- Neutrinos
- Gravitational waves
- Dark Matter
- Axions etc.
- Astrophysical objects
- Quantum gravity & Space-time fluctuations

Multi-messenger physics

(J. Blümer)



# This talk: The Universe at the highest energies



Energy density per decade

$$\rho_{\text{decade}} = \int_{\text{decade}} E \frac{dN}{d \ln E} d \ln E$$

Energy density per decade similar in all three messenger particles

# The first cosmic particle of ultra-high energy

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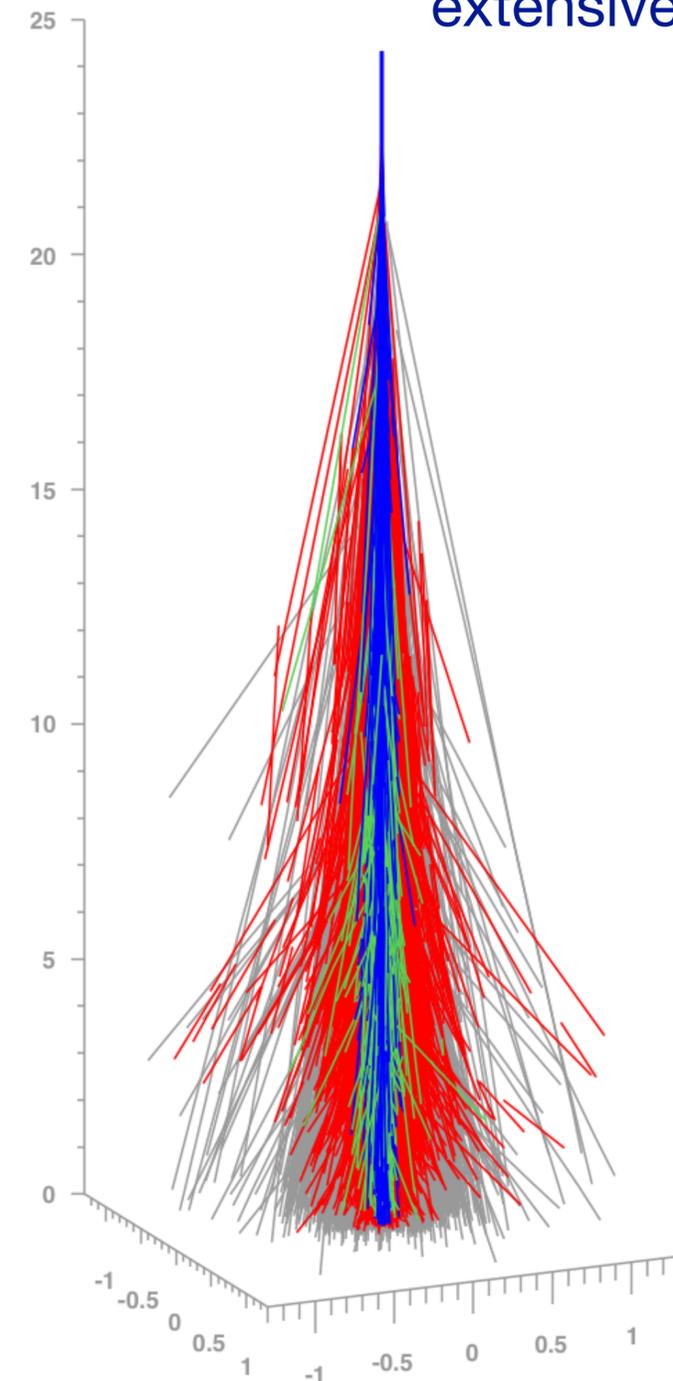
EVIDENCE FOR A PRIMARY COSMIC-RAY PARTICLE WITH ENERGY  $10^{20}$  eV†

John Linsley

Laboratory for Nuclear Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts  
(Received 10 January 1963)



Cascade of secondary particles:  
extensive air shower



$E = 10^{20}$  eV

Energy conservation,  
overall energy  
estimate robust

# Cosmic rays of $10^{20}$ eV energy exist !

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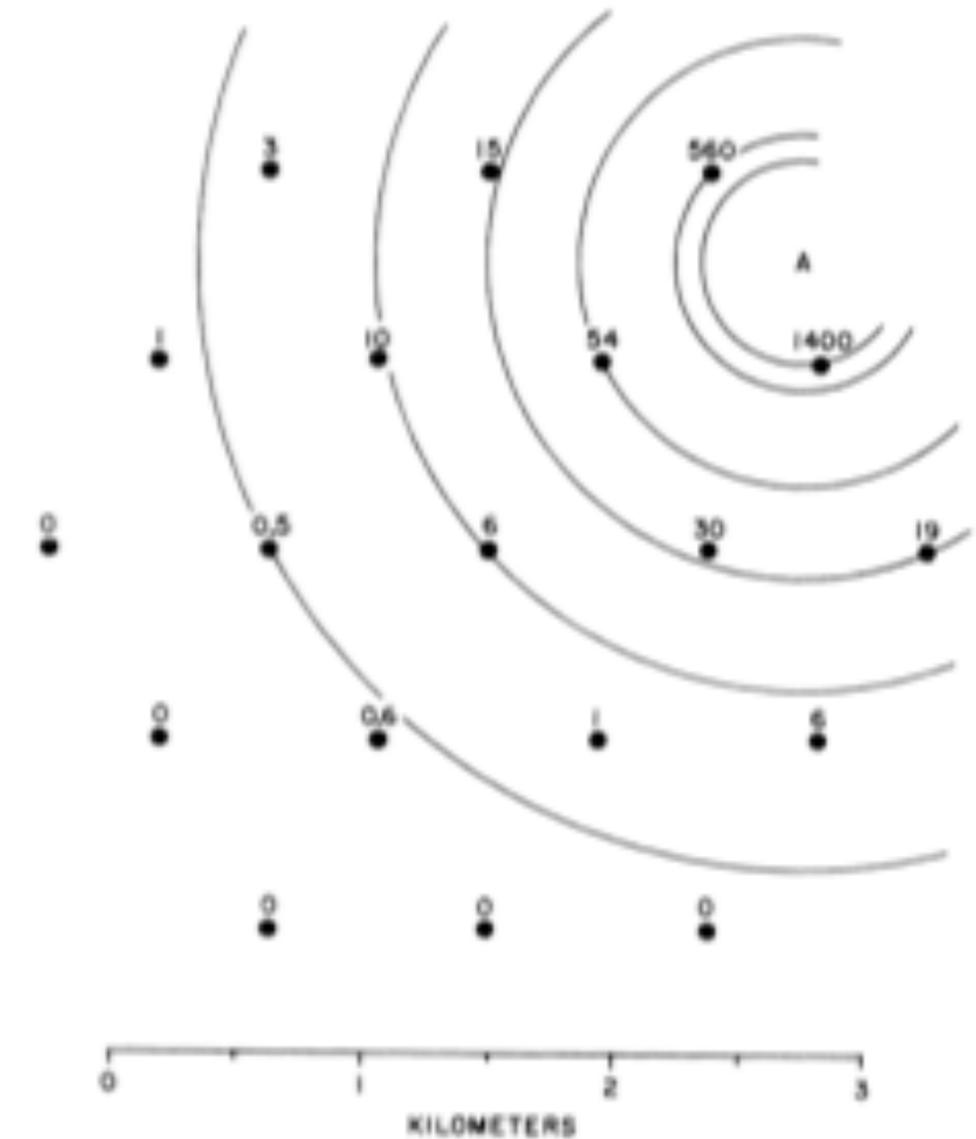


FIG. 1. Plan of the Volcano Ranch array in February 1962. The circles represent  $3.3\text{-m}^2$  scintillation detectors. The numbers near the circles are the shower densities (particles/ $\text{m}^2$ ) registered in this event, No. 2-4834. Point "A" is the estimated location of the shower core. The circular contours about that point aid in verifying the core location by inspection.

# How to accelerate particles to $10^{20}$ eV



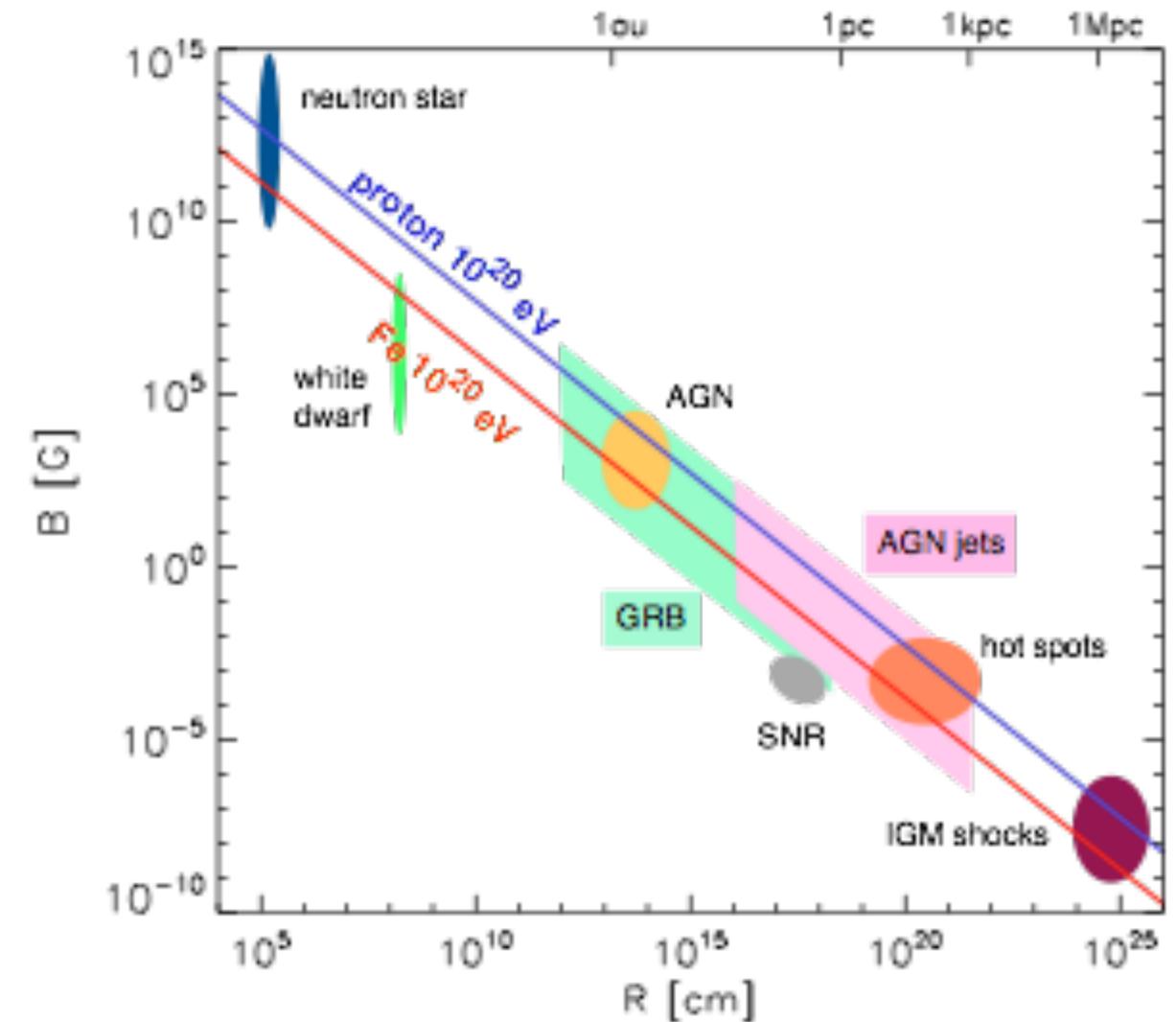
Large Hadron Collider (LHC),  
27 km circumference,  
superconducting magnets



Need accelerator of size of Mercury orbit  
to reach  $10^{20}$  eV with LHC technology

## Hillas plot (1984)

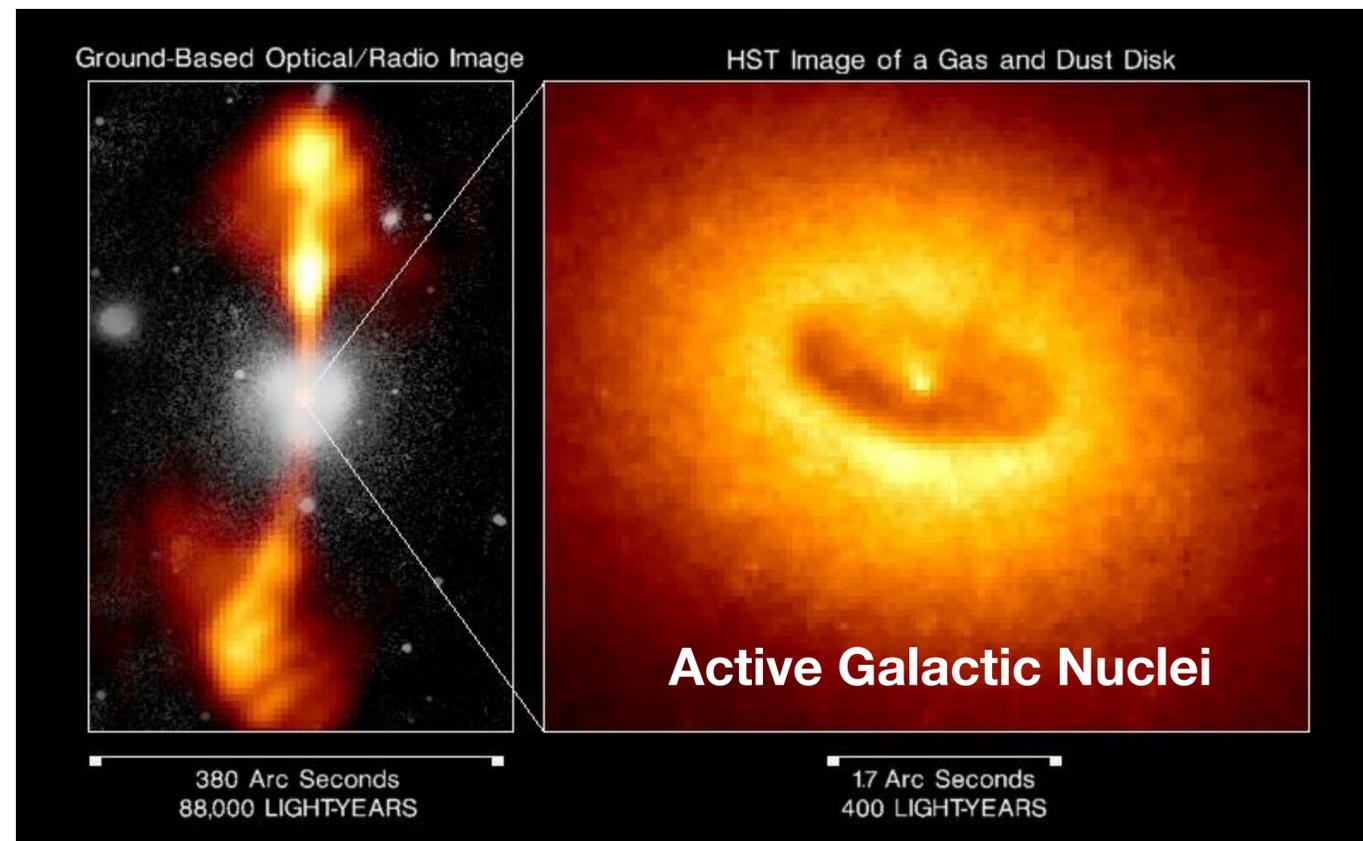
$$E_{\max} \sim \beta_s Z B R$$



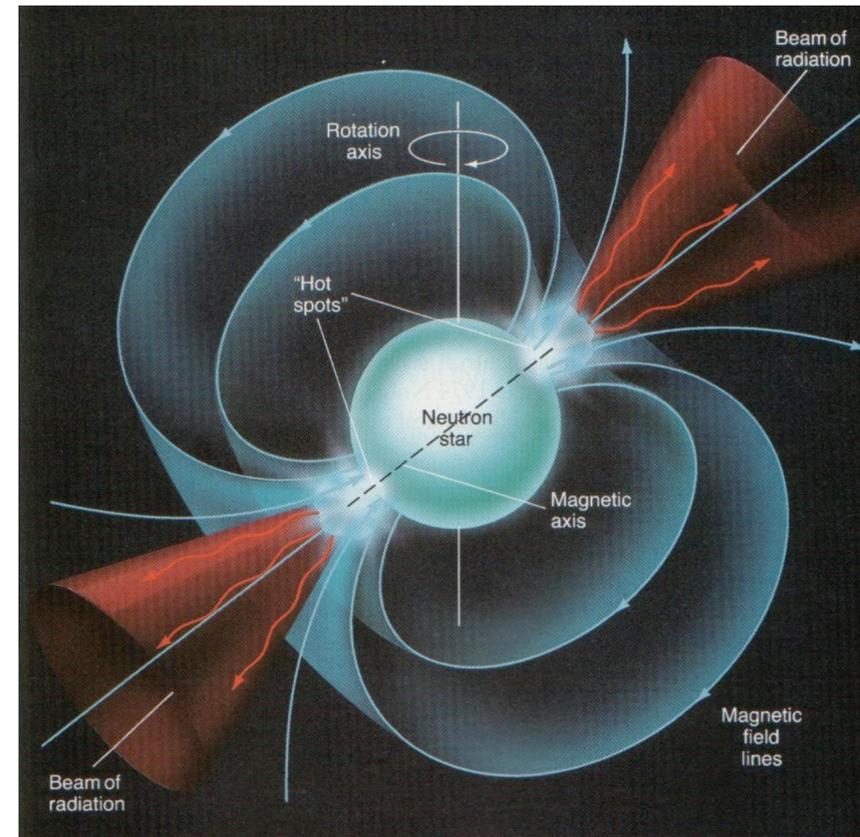
(Kotera & Olinto, ARAA 2011)

# Examples of astrophysical source candidates

## Diffusive shock acceleration



## Inductive acceleration



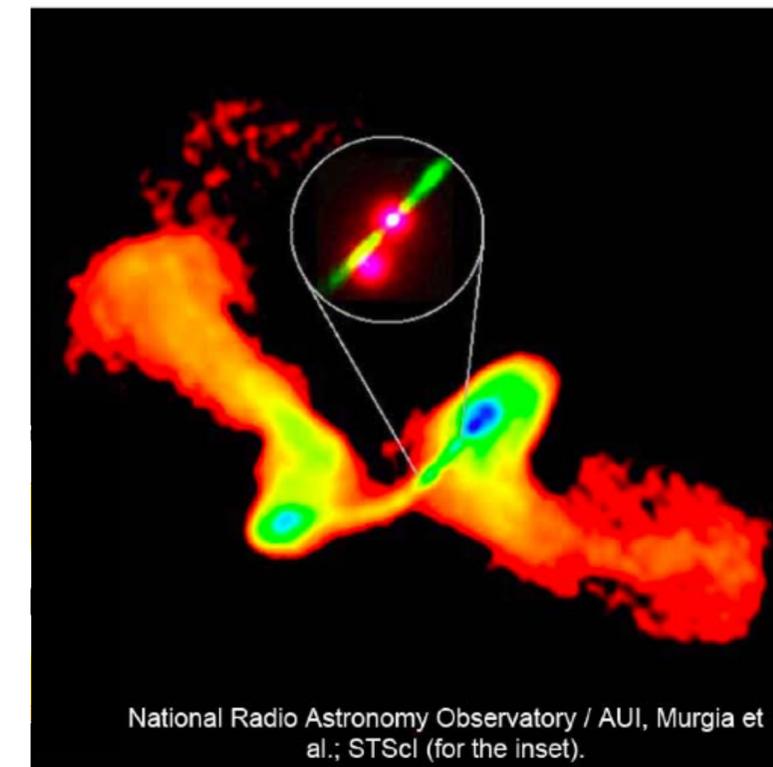
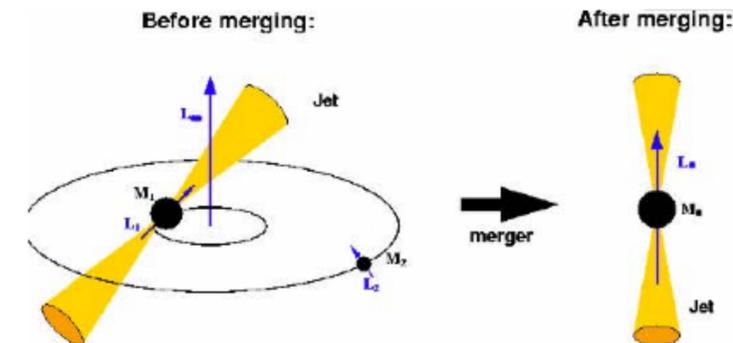
## Rapidly spinning neutron stars

$$\frac{dN_{inj}}{dE} \sim E^{-2}$$

Gamma ray  
bursts (GRBs)

$$\frac{dN_{inj}}{dE} \sim E^{-1} \left( 1 + \frac{E}{E_g} \right)^{-1}$$

## Single (relativistic) reflection



## Tidal disruption events (TDEs)

# Fermi acceleration – a simplified view

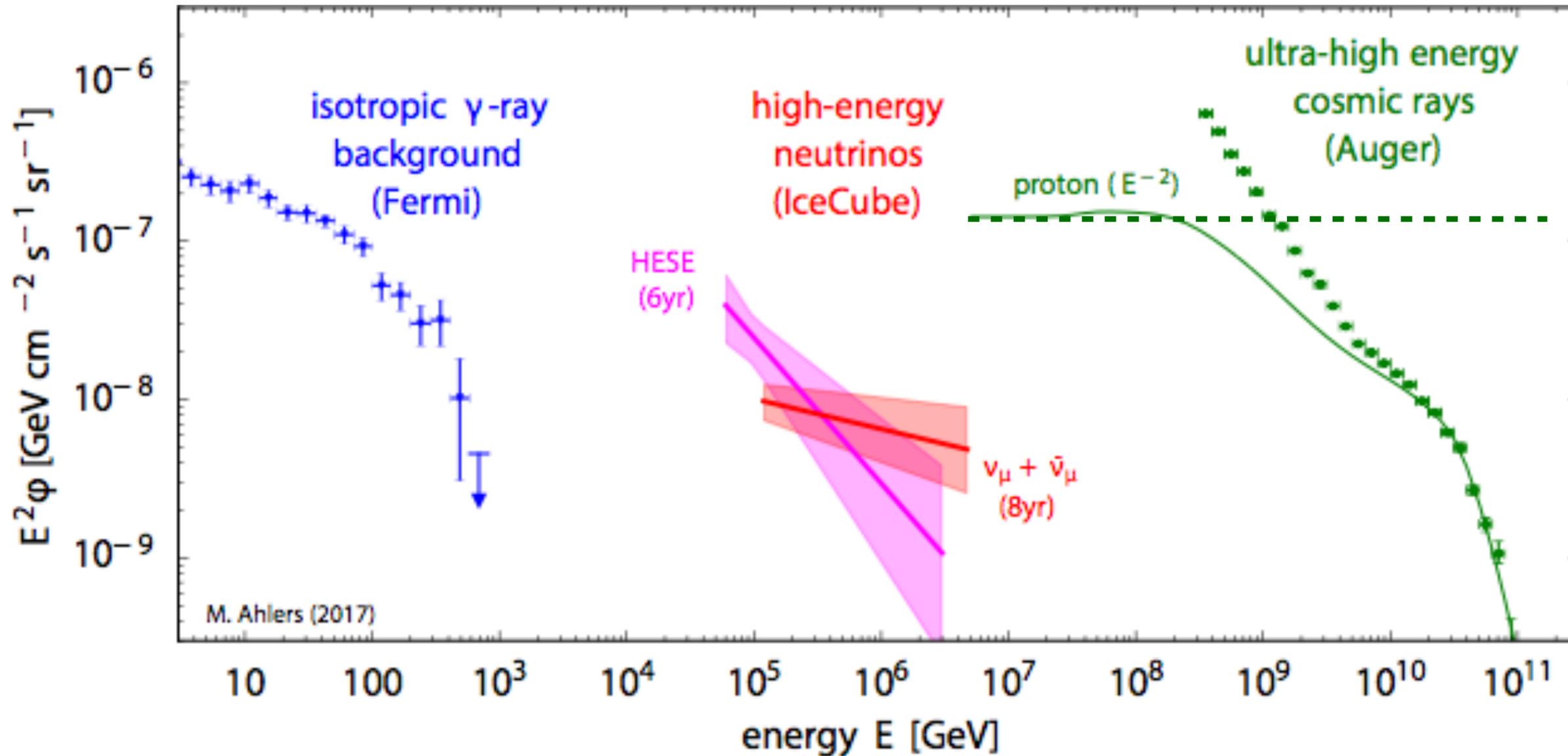


**First order Fermi acceleration  
at large-scale shock fronts**

**(shown is second order  
Fermi acceleration)**

$$\frac{dN_{\text{inj}}}{dE} \sim E^{-2}$$

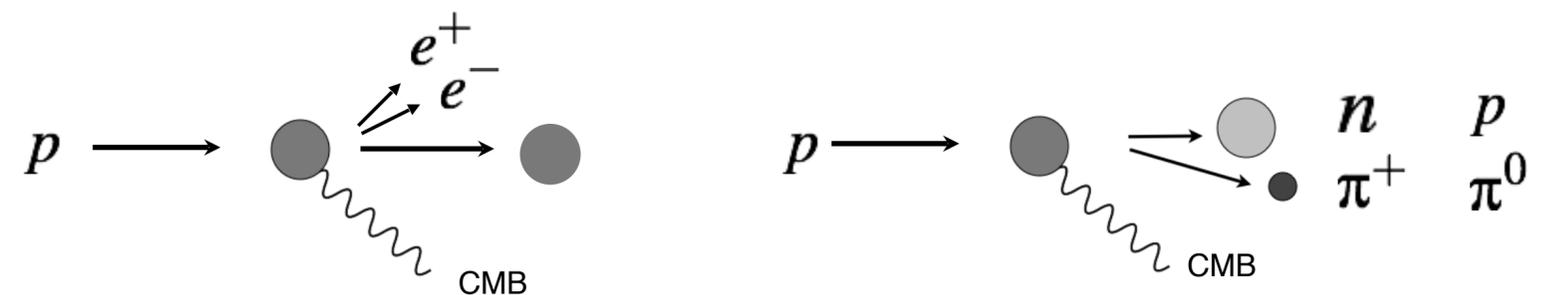
# Cosmic rays at the highest energies: extragalactic sources



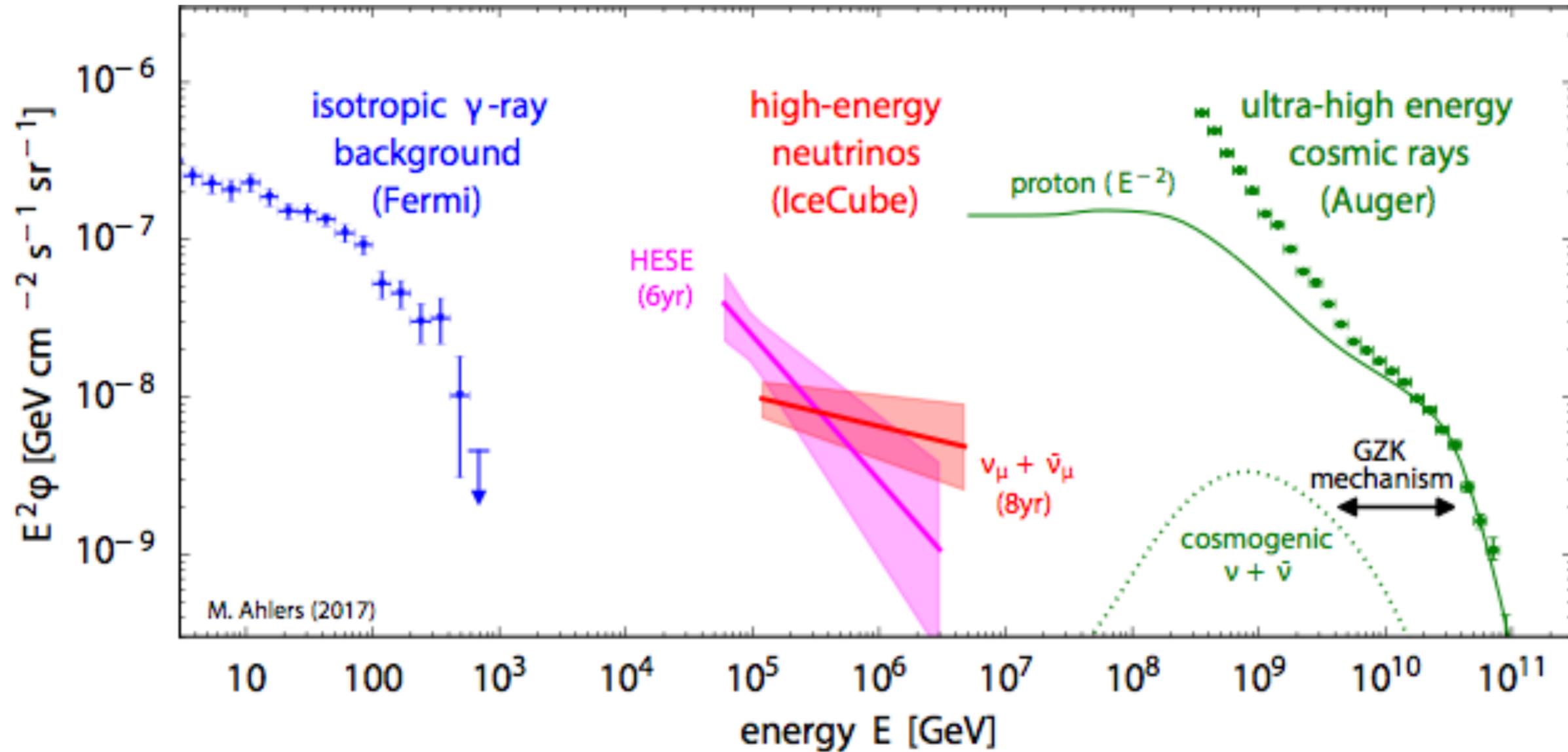
Energy spectrum of protons injected by sources

$$\frac{dN_{\text{inj}}}{dE} \sim E^{-2}$$

Just a toy model to illustrate power of multi-messenger studies



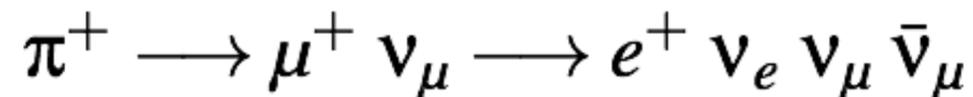
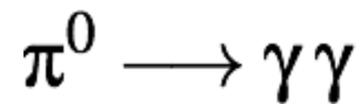
# Neutrino production due to cosmic ray propagation



Energy spectrum of protons injected by sources

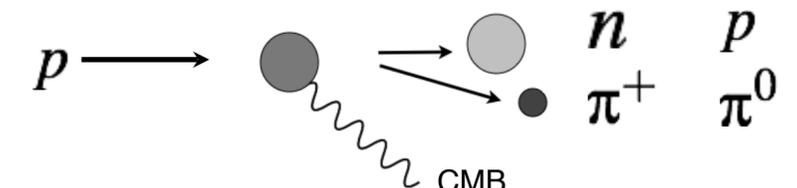
$$\frac{dN_{\text{inj}}}{dE} \sim E^{-2}$$

**GZK effect:**  
Photo-pion production (mainly  $\Delta$  resonance)

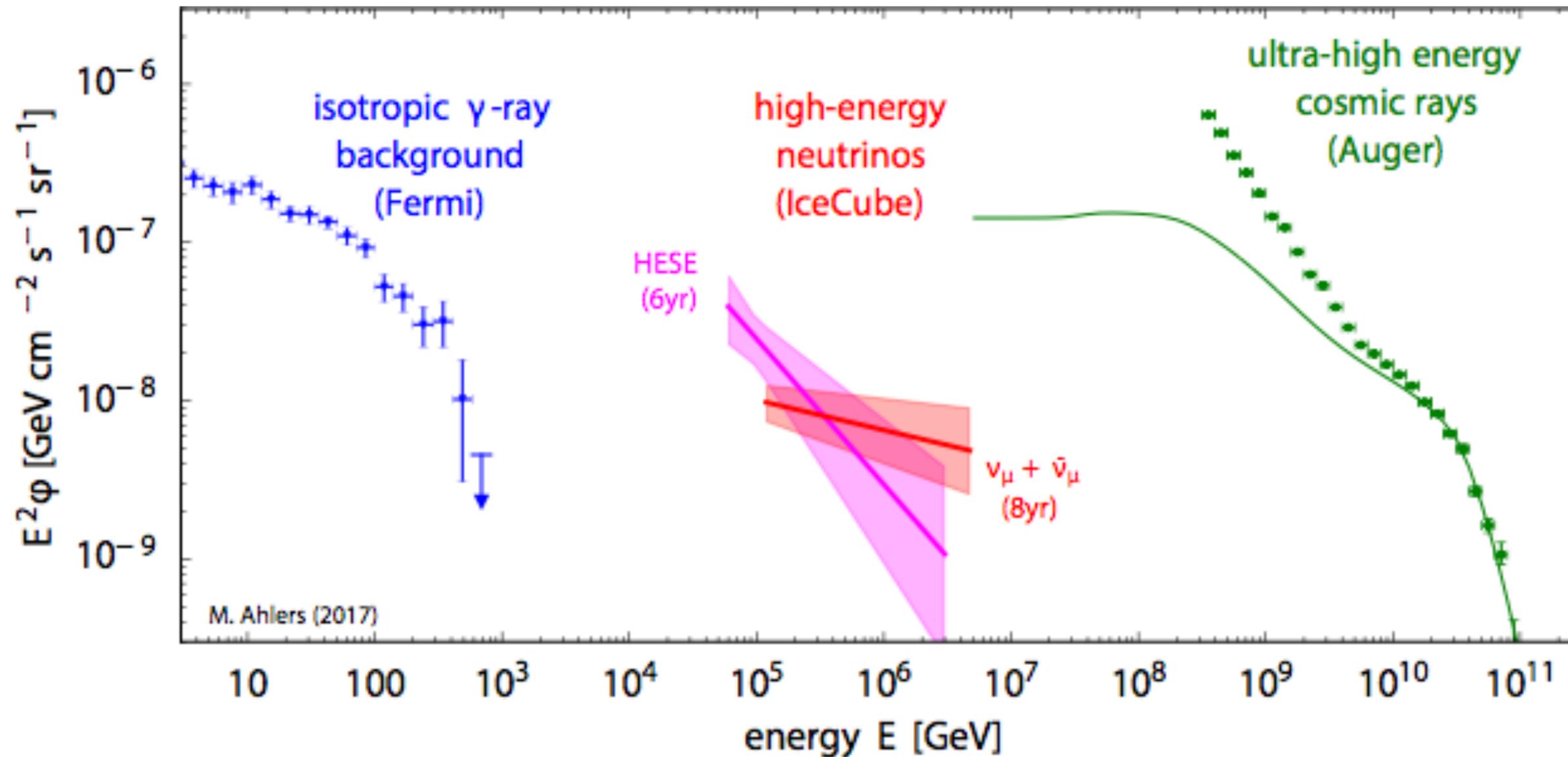


$$\nu_\mu : \nu_e \sim 2 : 1$$

(neutrino + antineutrino flavor)



# Neutrino production due to cosmic ray propagation



Energy spectrum of protons injected by sources

$$\frac{dN_{inj}}{dE} \sim E^{-2}$$

Very similar energy loss for nuclei,  
but different physics process (very few neutrinos)

Iron

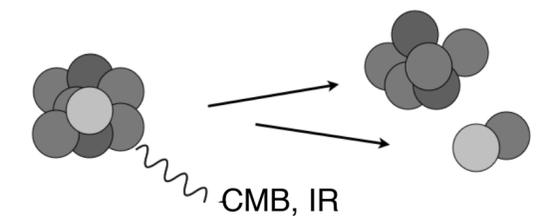
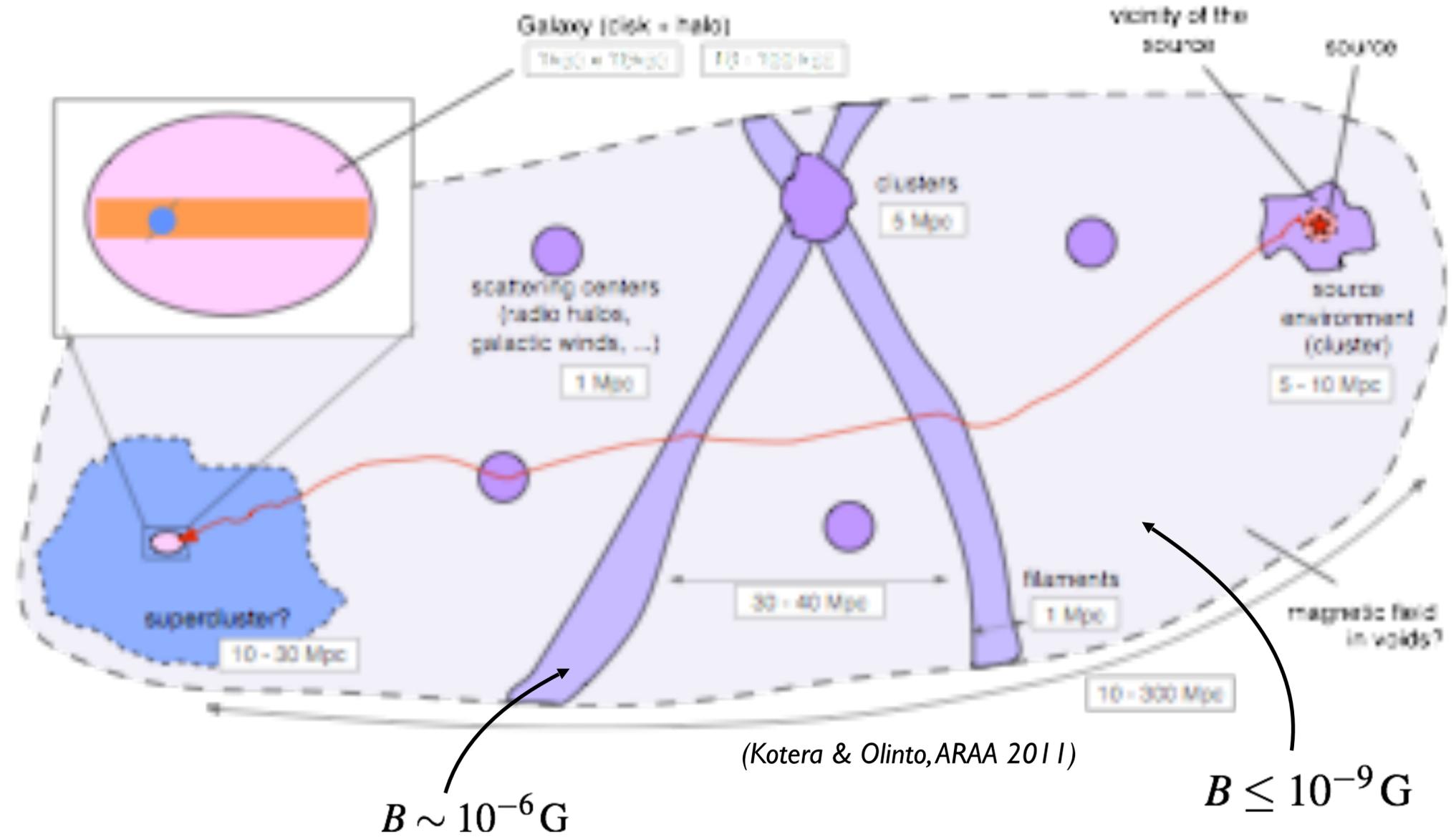
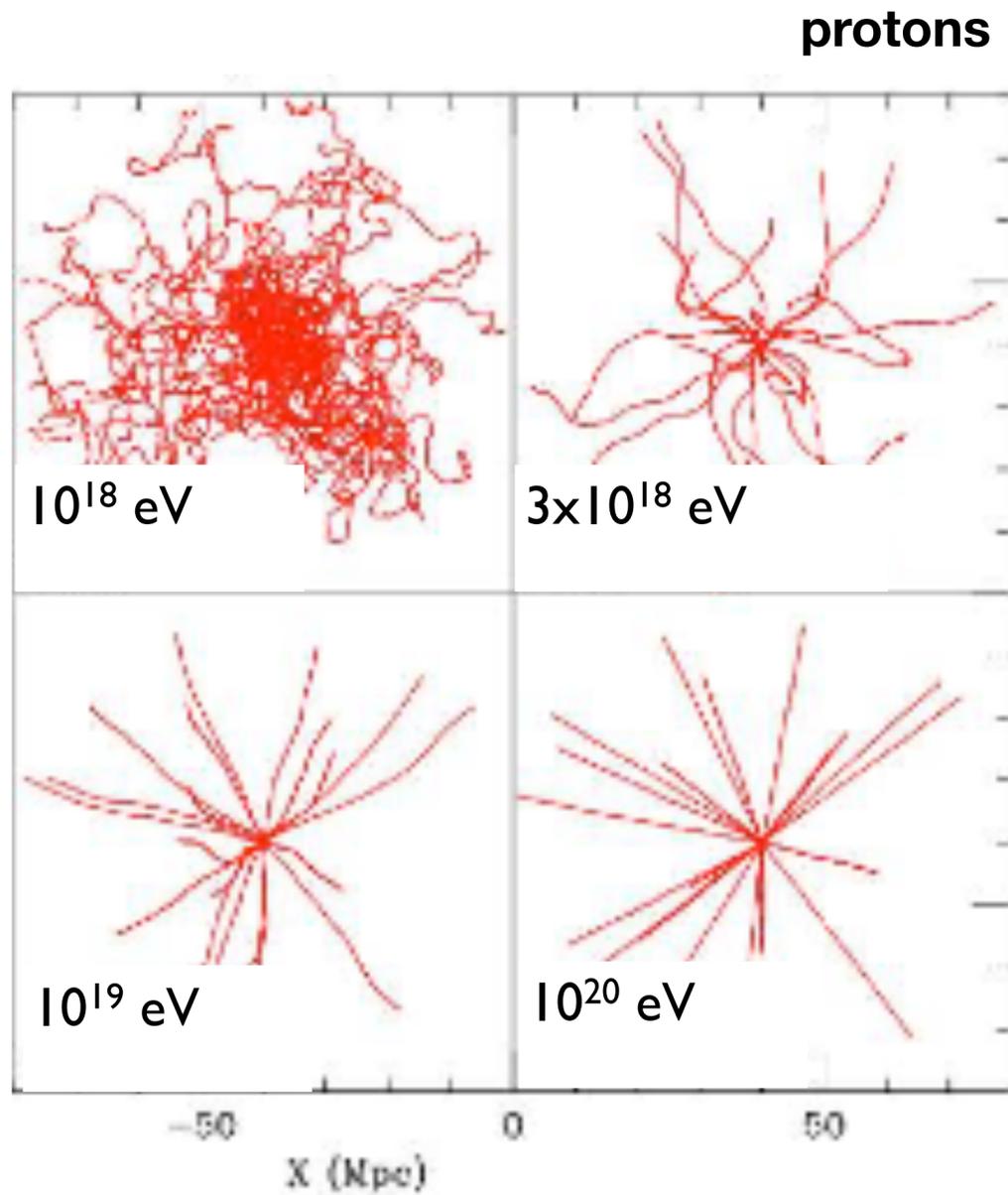


Photo-dissociation  
(giant dipole resonance)

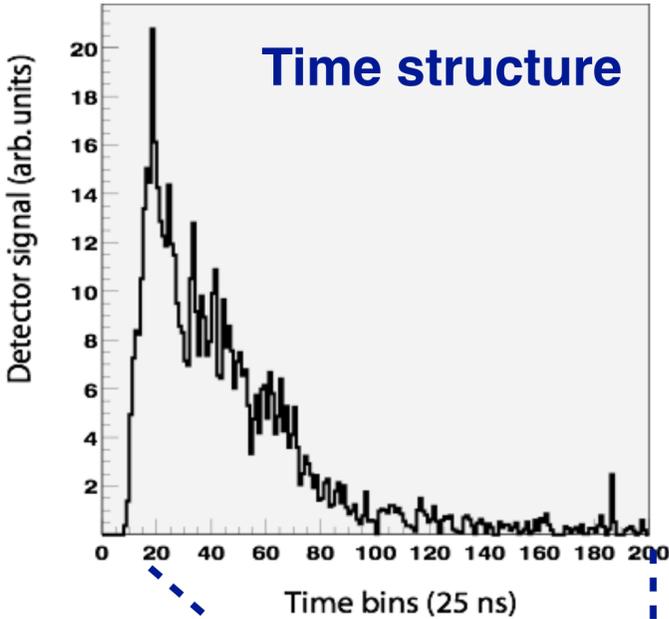
# How to identify sources of ultra-high-energy cosmic rays

Deflection in Galactic and extragalactic mag. fields

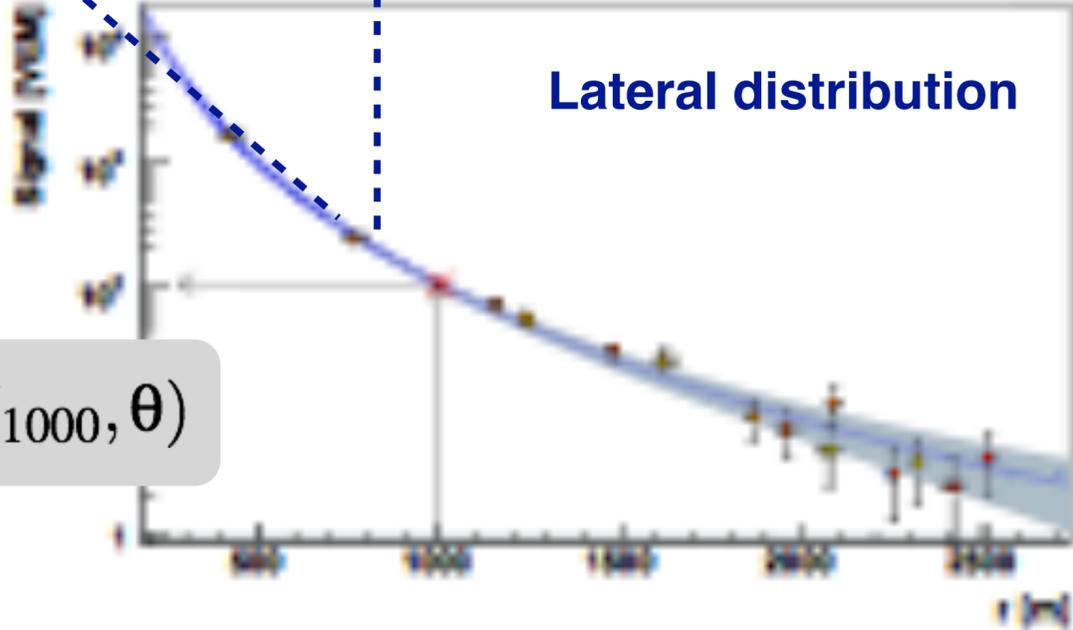


Anisotropy in arrival direction distribution on small, intermediate and large scales

# How to detect ultra-high-energy cosmic rays



100% duty cycle



Longitudinal profile

15% duty cycle

$$E_{\text{cal}} = \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{dE}{dX} \right)_{\text{obs}} dX$$

Example: event observed with Auger Observatory

# Pierre Auger Observatory and Telescope Array

## Telescope Array (TA)

Delta, UT, USA

507 detector stations, 680 km<sup>2</sup>

36 fluorescence telescopes



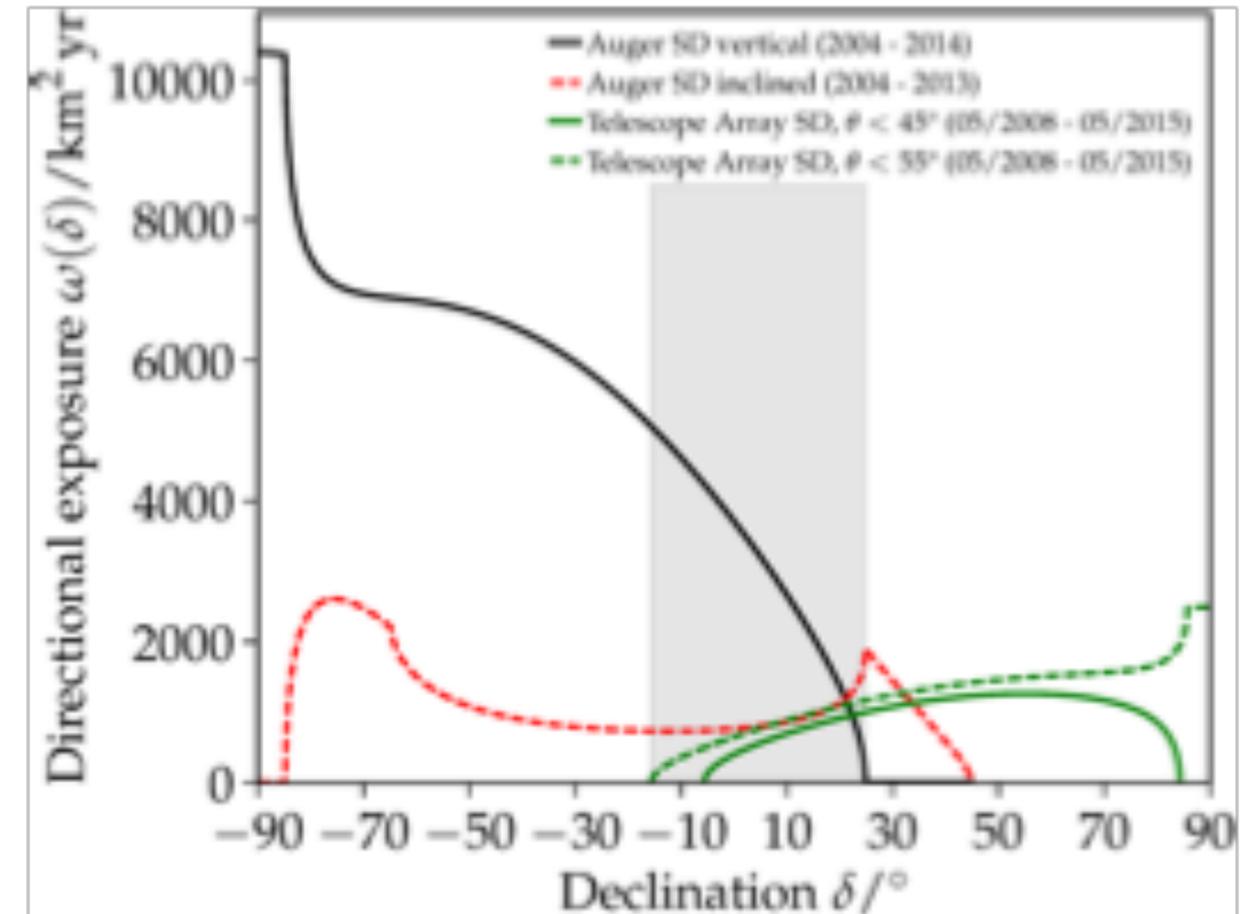
## Pierre Auger Observatory

Province Mendoza, Argentina

1660 detector stations, 3000 km<sup>2</sup>

27 fluorescence telescopes

## Together full sky coverage



## Auger:

$6.7 \times 10^4$  km<sup>2</sup> sr yr (spectrum)

$9 \times 10^4$  km<sup>2</sup> sr yr (anisotropy)

## TA:

$8.1 \times 10^3$  km<sup>2</sup> sr yr (spectrum)

$8.6 \times 10^3$  km<sup>2</sup> sr yr (anisotropy)

# The Pierre Auger Observatory



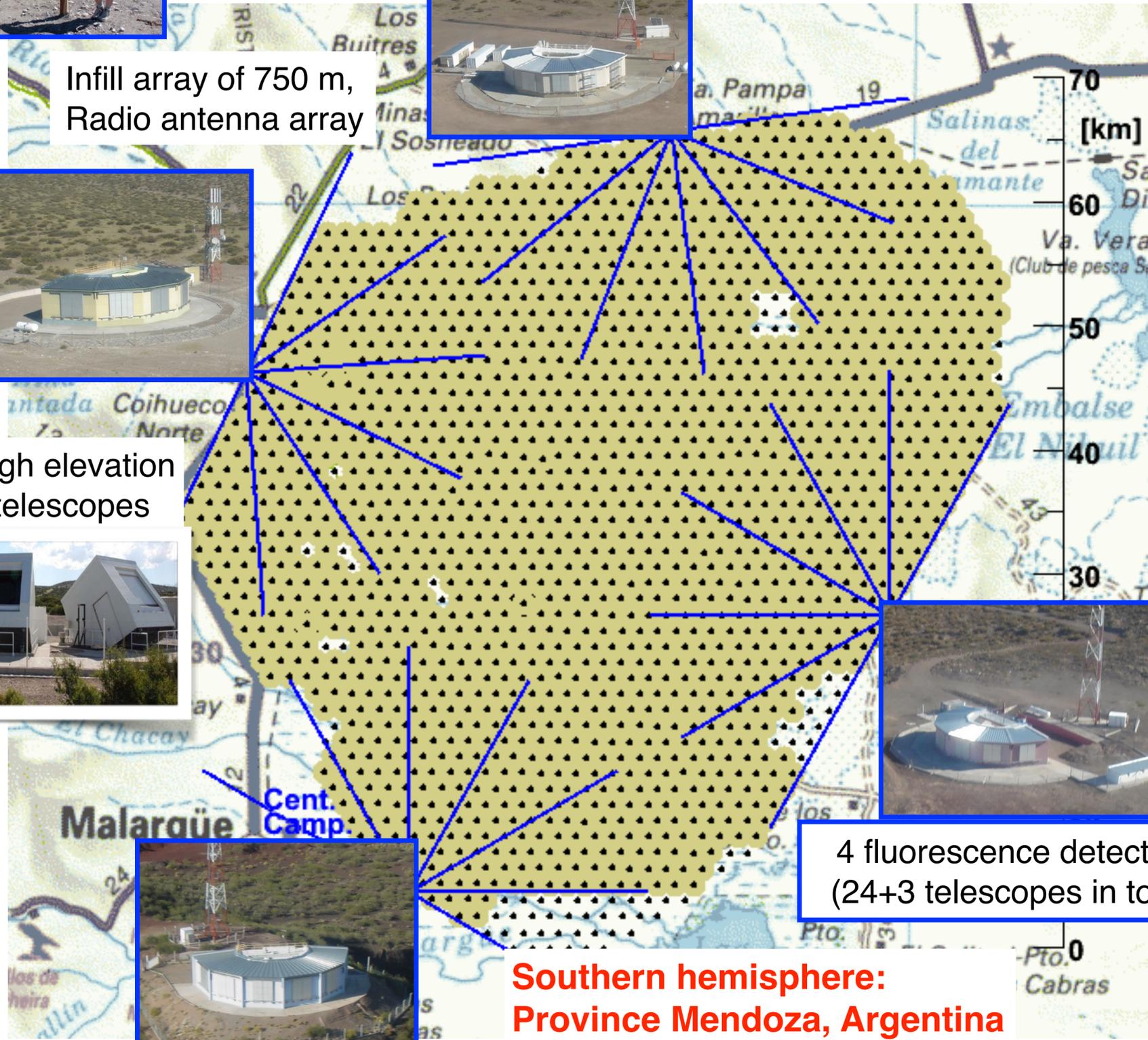
Infill array of 750 m,  
Radio antenna array



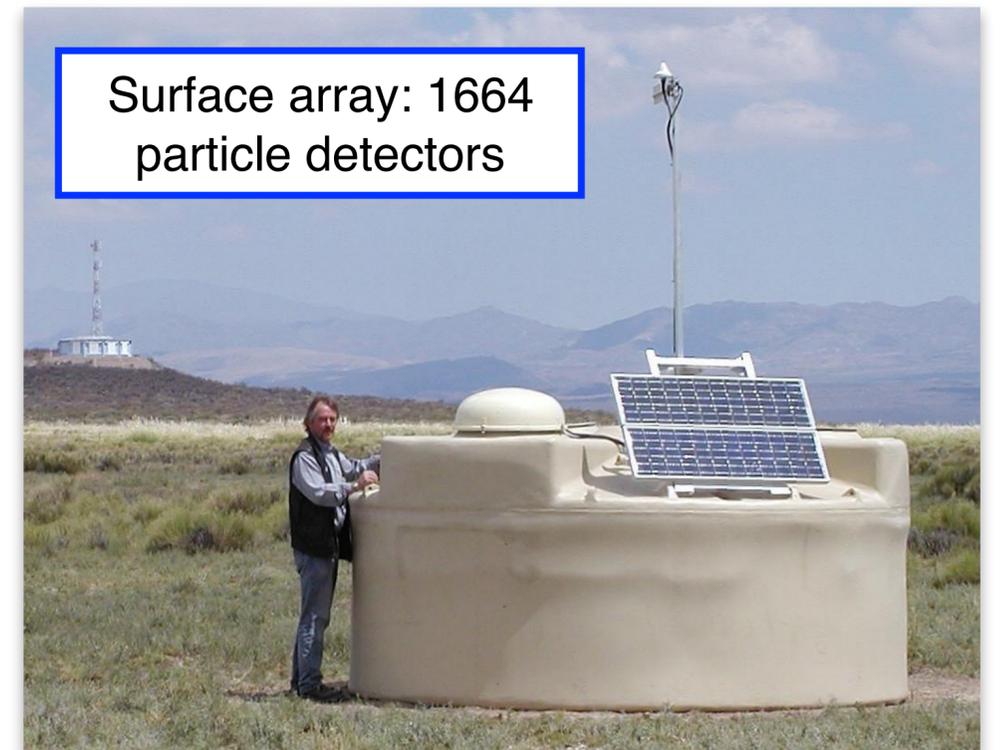
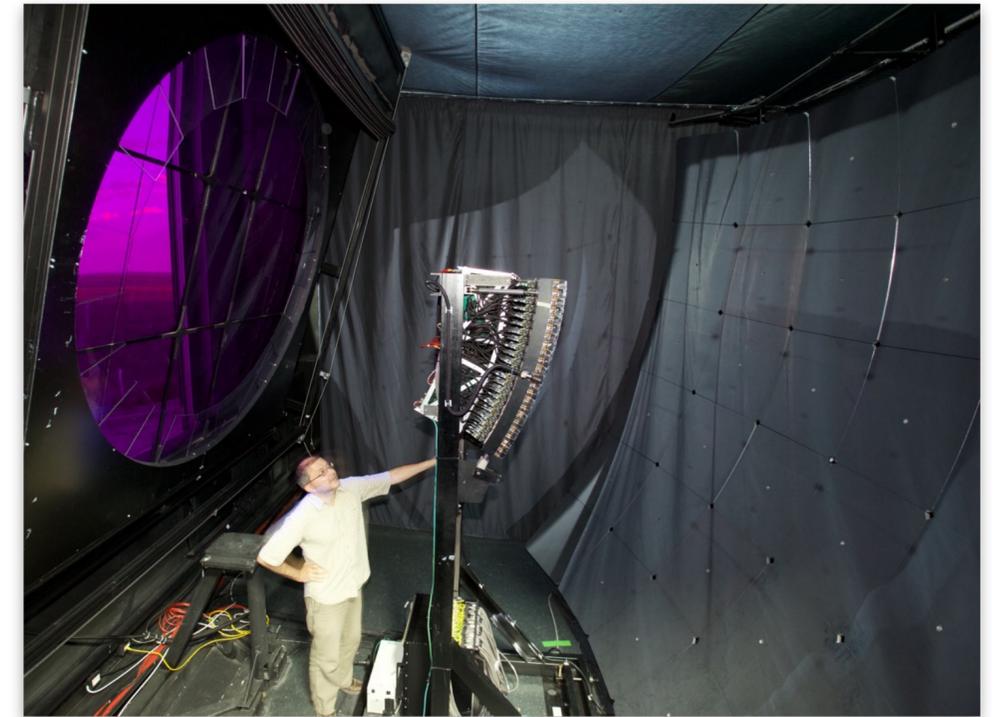
High elevation  
telescopes



**Southern hemisphere:  
Province Mendoza, Argentina**



4 fluorescence detectors  
(24+3 telescopes in total)



Surface array: 1664  
particle detectors

# Telescope Array (TA)

Talk by Abu-Zayyad

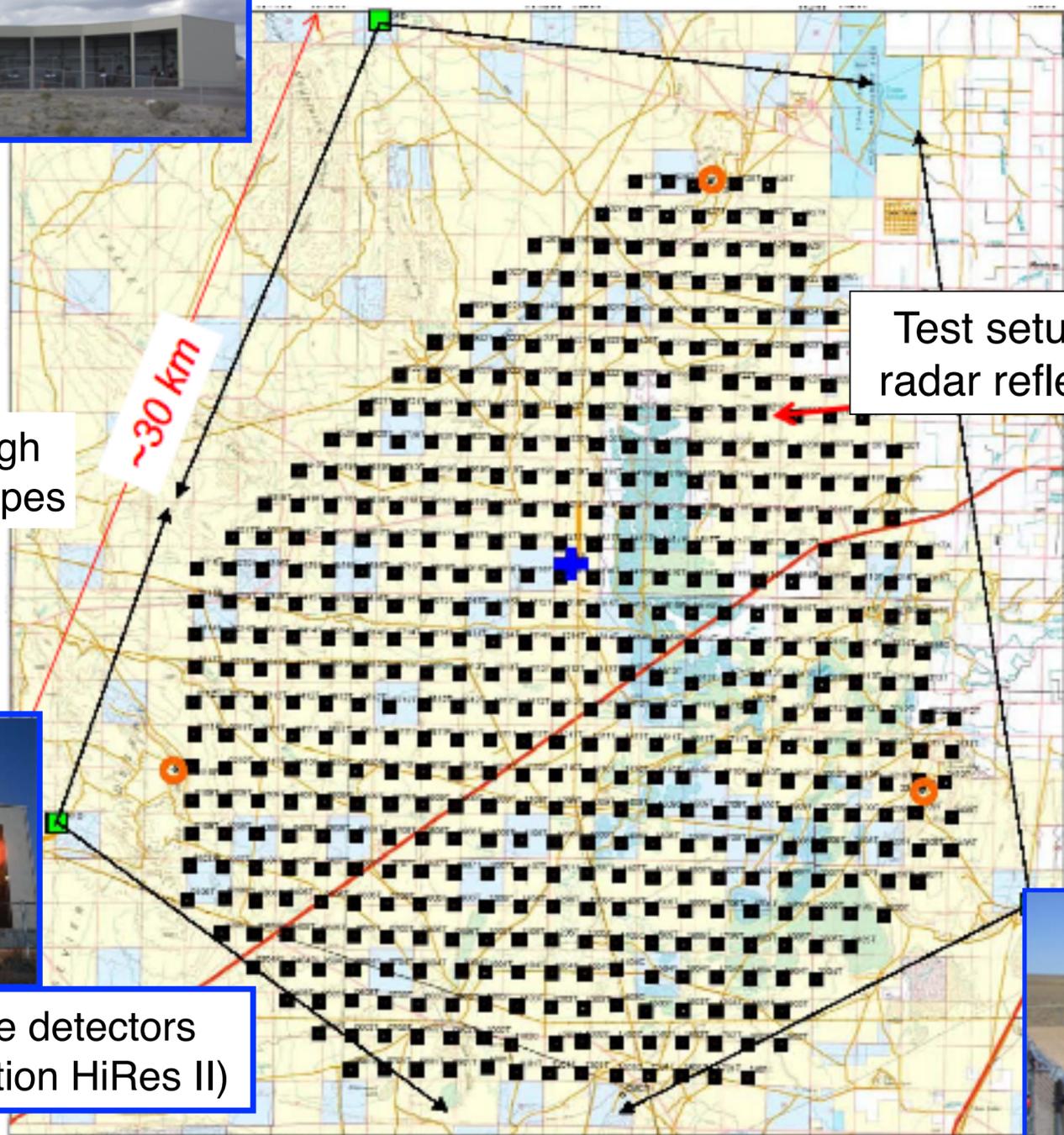
Middle Drum: based on HiRes II



TALE (TA low energy extension)

LIDAR  
Laser facility

Infill array and high  
elevation telescopes



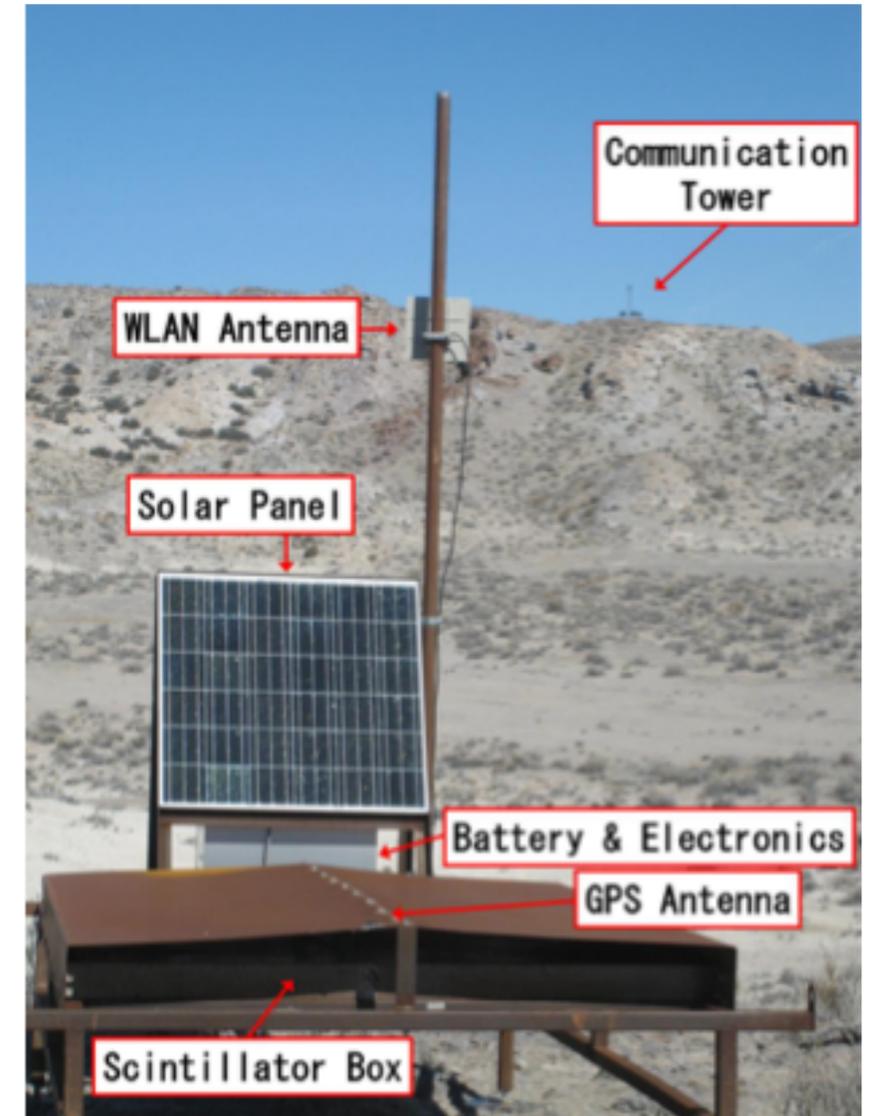
Test setup for  
radar reflection

Electron light  
source (ELS):  
~40 MeV



3 fluorescence detectors  
(2 new, one station HiRes II)

Northern hemisphere: Utah, USA



507 surface detectors:  
**double-layer scintillators**  
(grid of 1.2 km, 680 km<sup>2</sup>)







# Results: Flux strongly suppressed, change of mass composition

(RE, Nijmegen Summer School, 2004)

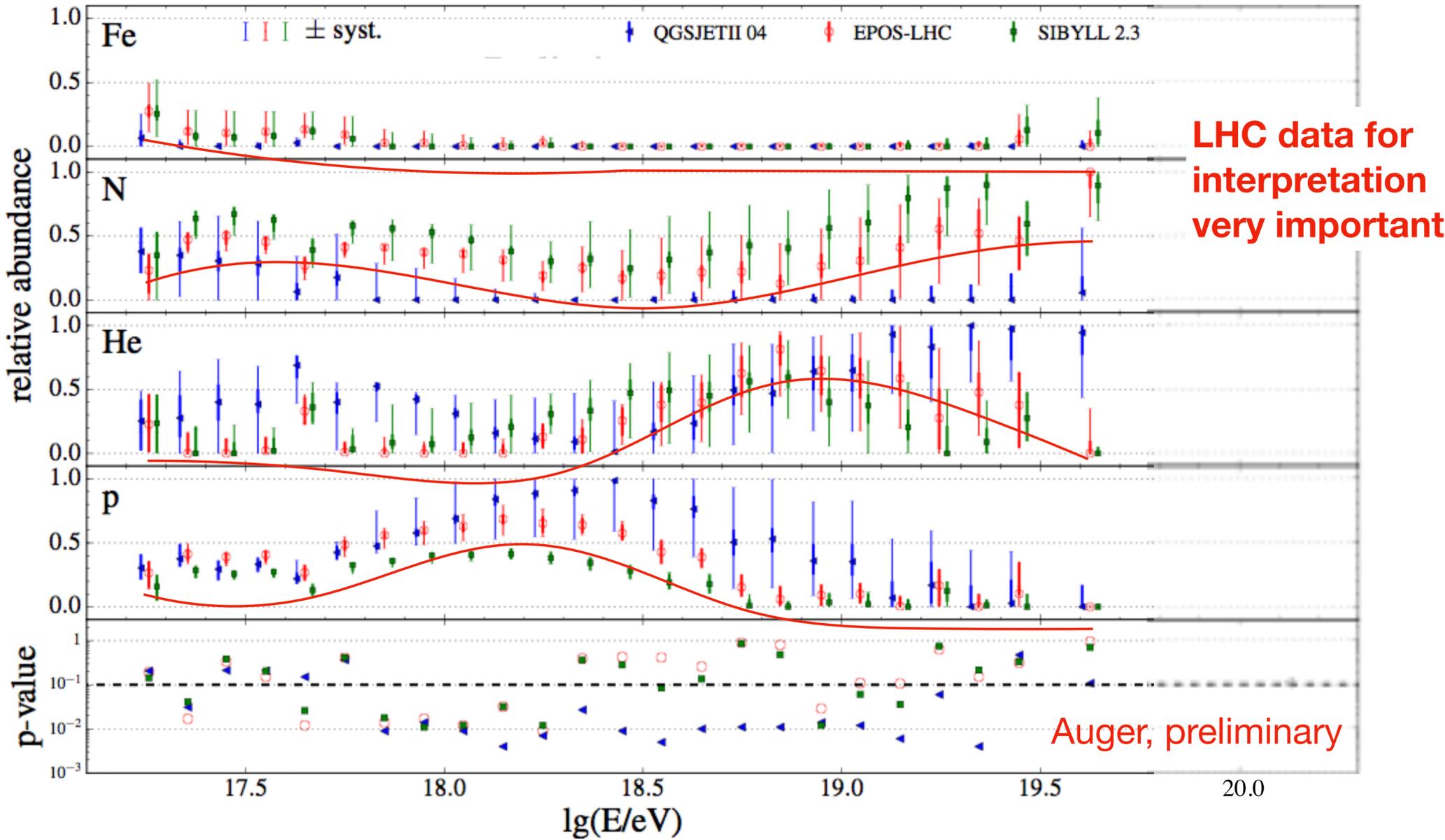
**Events per year  
(based on AGASA spectrum)**

	SD only	SD + $\geq 1$ FD
$> 6 \times 10^{17}$ eV	0	45000
$> 10^{18}$ eV	0	30000
$> 3 \times 10^{18}$ eV	15000	4700
$> 10^{19}$ eV	5150	515
$> 2 \times 10^{19}$ eV	1590	159
$> 5 \times 10^{19}$ eV	490	49
$> 10^{20}$ eV	103	10
$> 2 \times 10^{20}$ eV	32	3
$> 5 \times 10^{20}$ eV	10	1

FD \*2 tanks with 4 VEM and 10% duty cycle  
SD \*5 tanks with each 4 VEM  
zenith angle  $> 60^\circ$ : + 50%

Expected 1100, have ~14 events

Composition based on fluorescence telescope data (15% duty cycle)



Composition could be explained by disintegration of ~ C or Si nuclei, very hard energy spectrum at injection favored ( $\sim E^{-1}$ )

# Results: Particles are of extragalactic origin

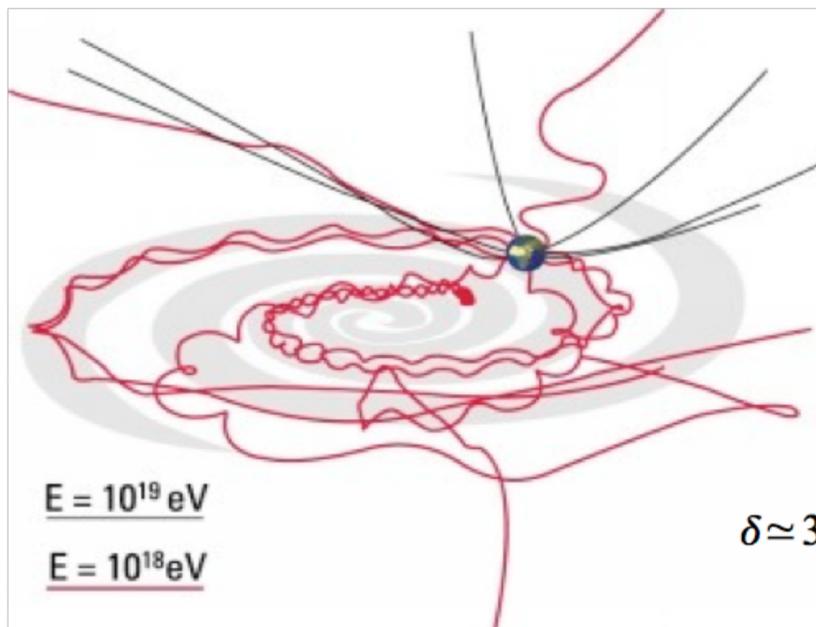
6.5% dipole at 5.2 sigma  
 Science 357 (2017) 1266



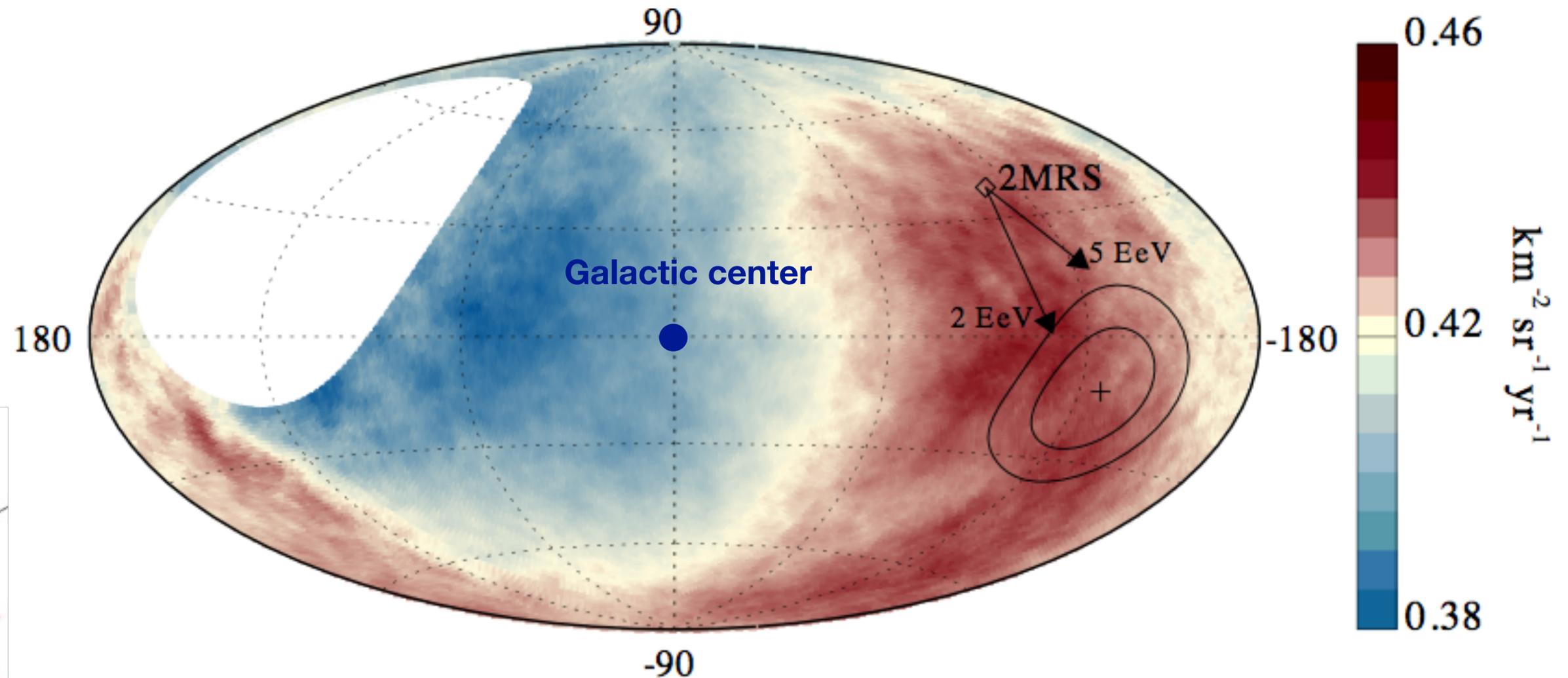
$$E > 8 \times 10^{18} \text{ eV}$$



Estimated deflection in galactic mag. field



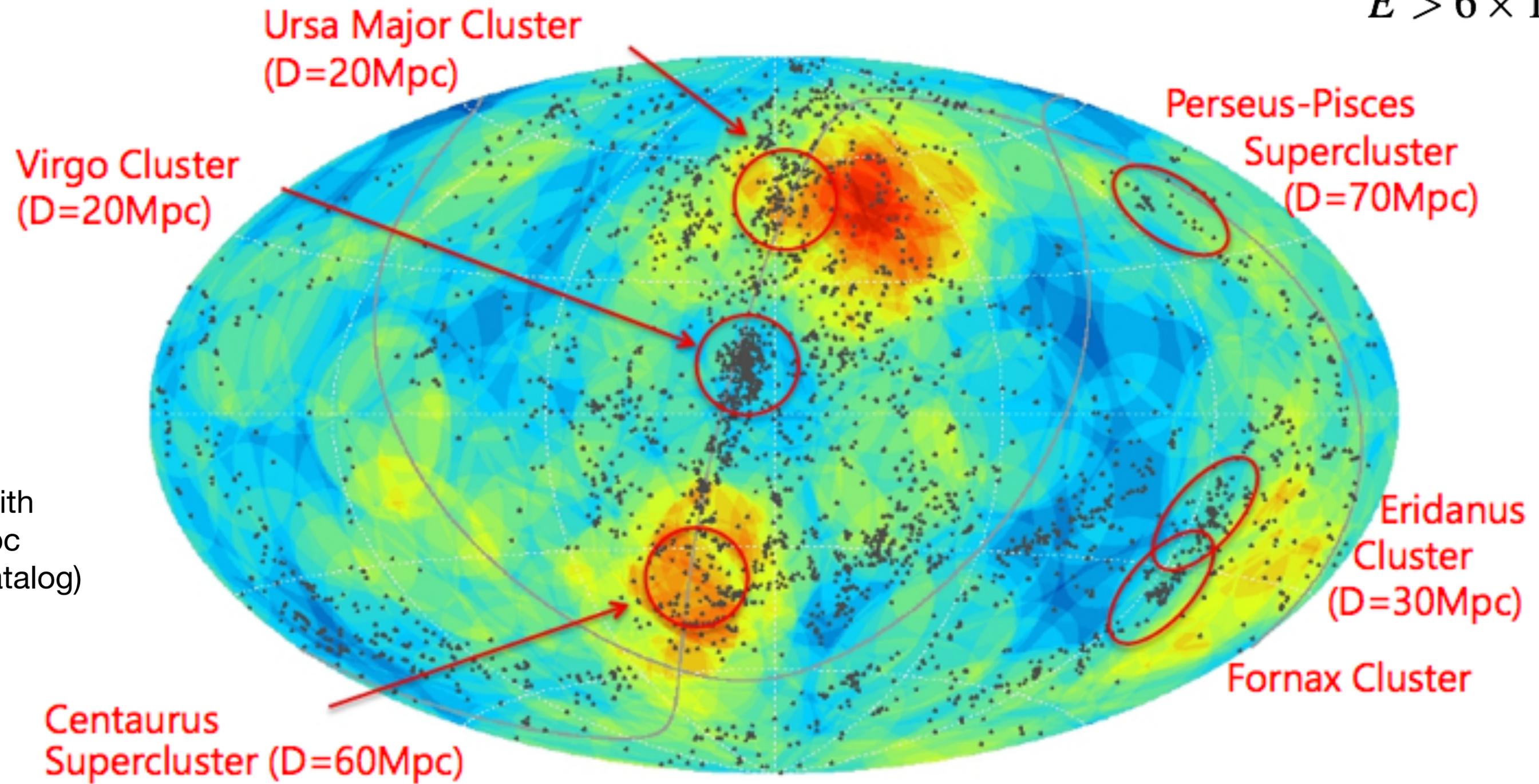
$$\delta \approx 3^\circ \frac{B}{3 \mu\text{G}} \frac{L}{\text{kpc}} \frac{6 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}}{E/Z}$$



Arrival directions follow mass distribution of near-by galaxies

# Intermediate-scale anisotropy: over-densities $\sim 20^\circ$ size

$$E > 6 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}$$

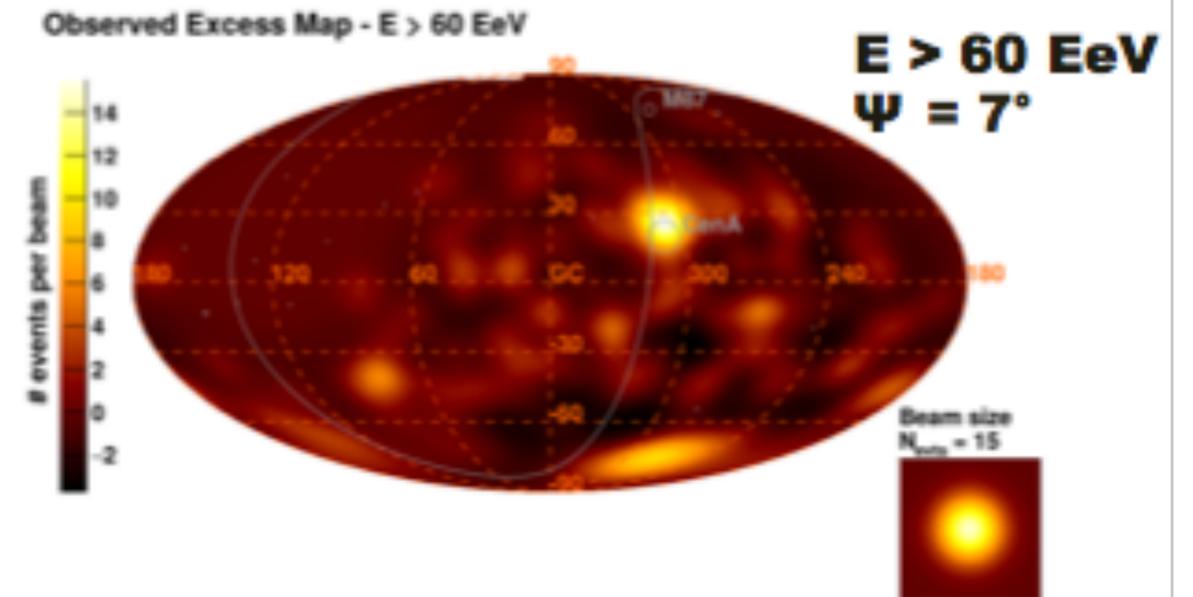
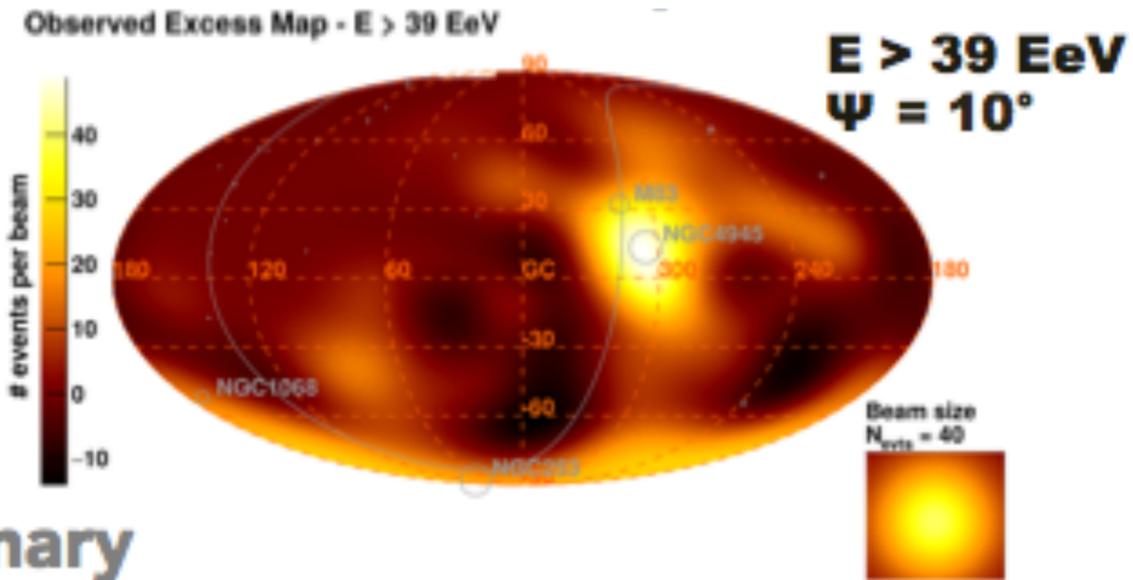


*Huchra, et al, ApJ, (2012)*

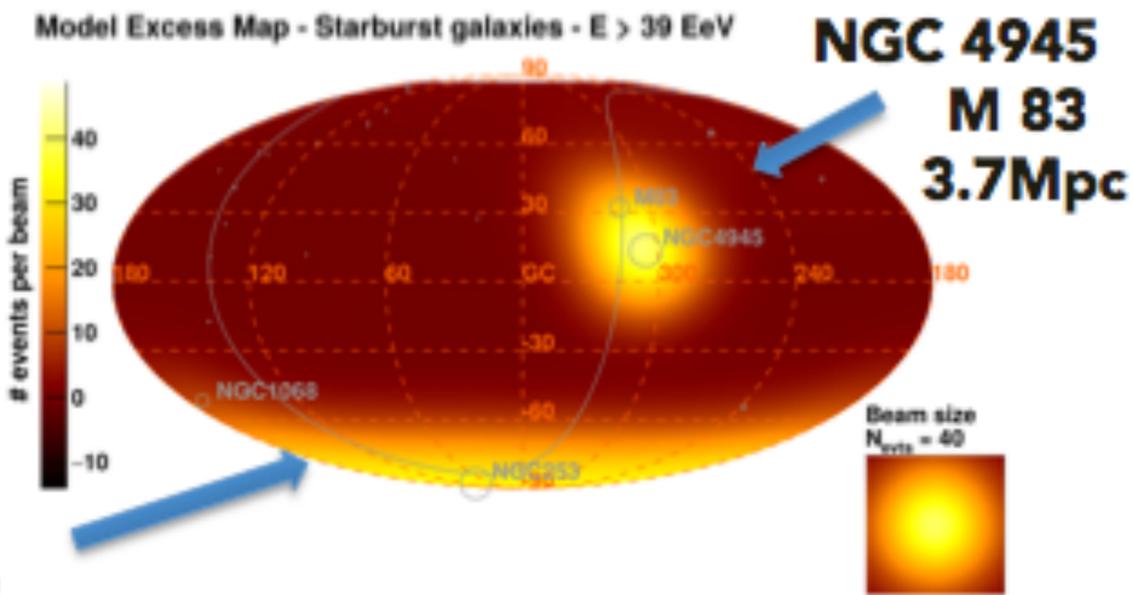
# Anisotropy – Correlation with catalogs (Auger data)

## Starburst galaxies

## AGNs

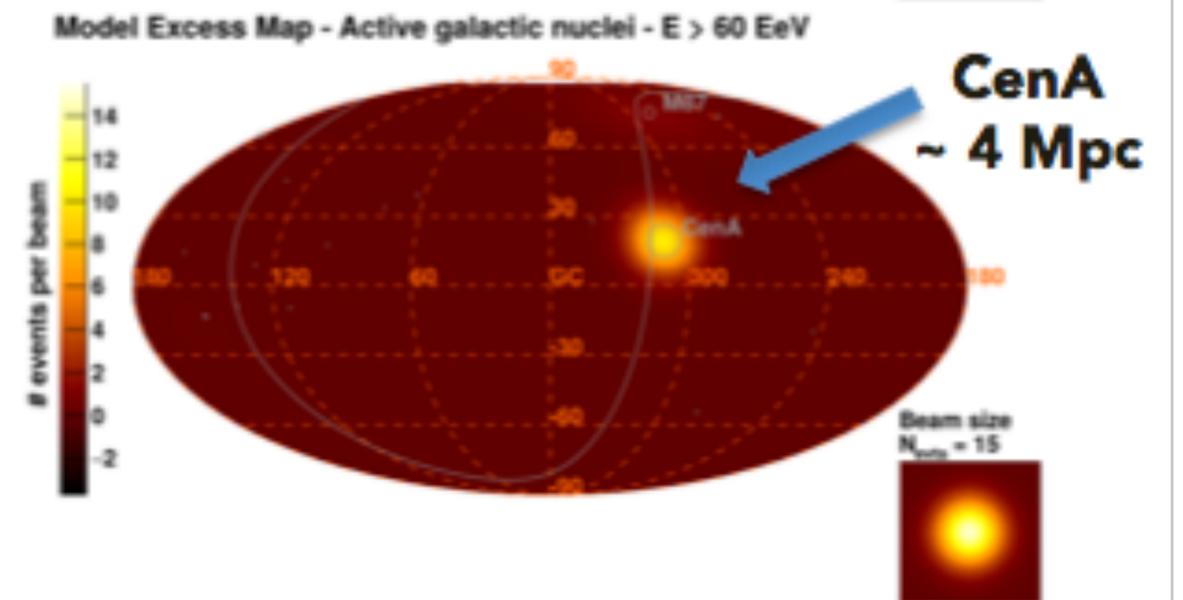


preliminary



NGC 253  
2.5 Mpc

NGC 1068  
16.7 Mpc



# Results: Hints for sources or source regions?

Star-forming or starburst galaxies



e.g. M82, close to the TA hotspot

Significance of correlation with starburst galaxies

Active galaxies or AGN



e.g. Cen A, close to an Auger hotspot

# Upgrade of Auger Observatory: AugerPrime



15% duty cycle



100% duty cycle



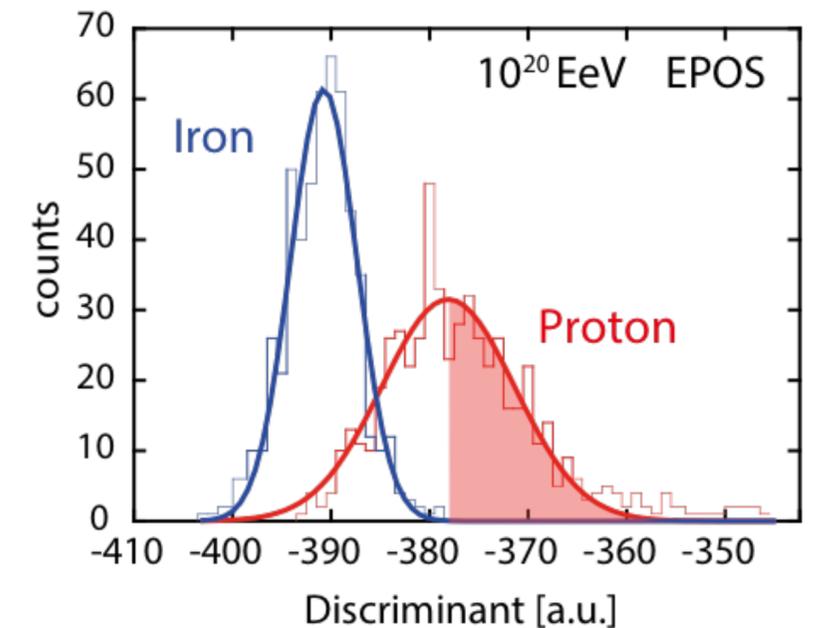
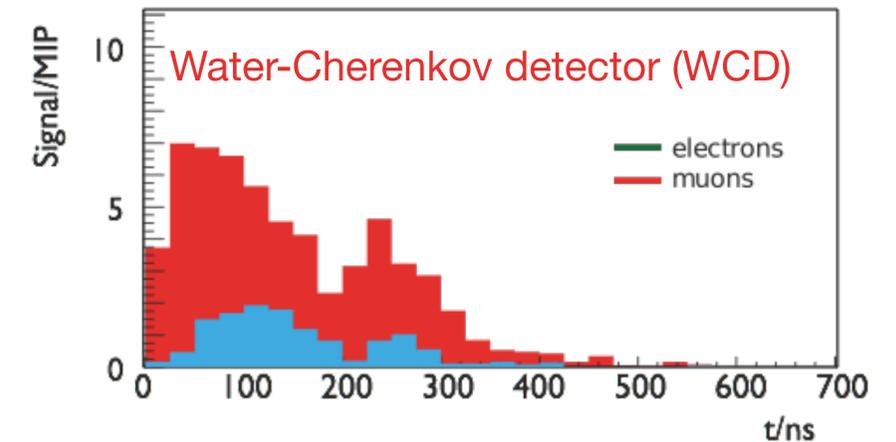
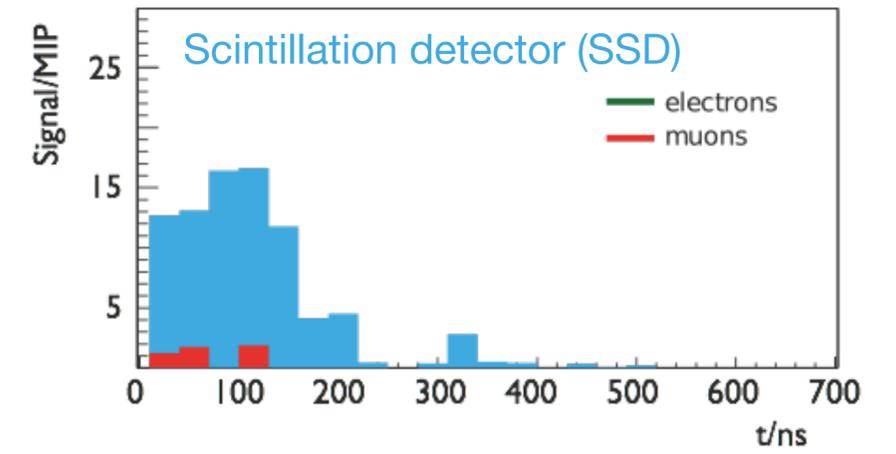
Deployment fast: ~ 5 -10 stations per day



2016-09-15: first station in field

- **Composition measurement up to  $10^{20}$  eV**
- **Composition selected anisotropy**
- **Particle physics with air showers**

(AugerPrime design report 1604.03637)



# TAx4 Project

TA SD (~3000 km<sup>2</sup>): **Quadruple area**

Approved in Japan 2015

**500** scintillator SDs

**2.08 km** spacing

3 yrs construction, first 173 SDs have arrived in Utah for final assembly, next 77 SD to be prepared at Akeno Obs. (U.Tokyo) 2017-08 and shipped to Utah

**2 FD stations (12 HiRes Telescopes)**

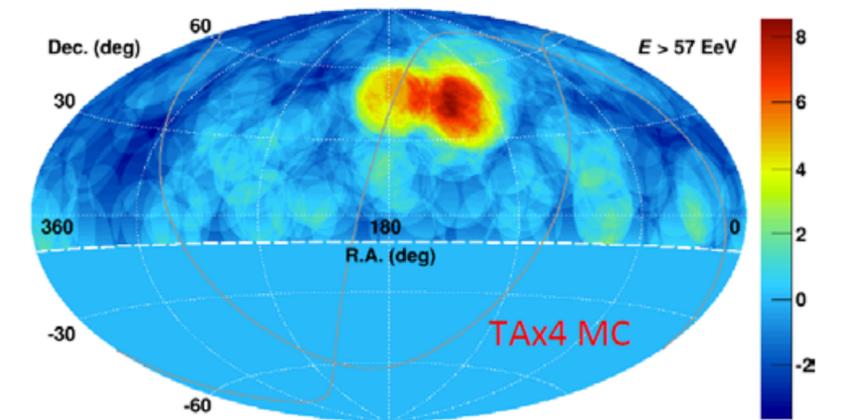
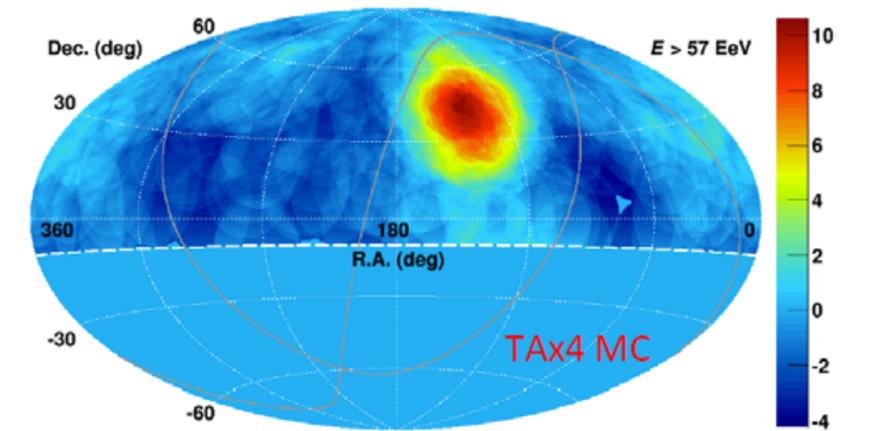
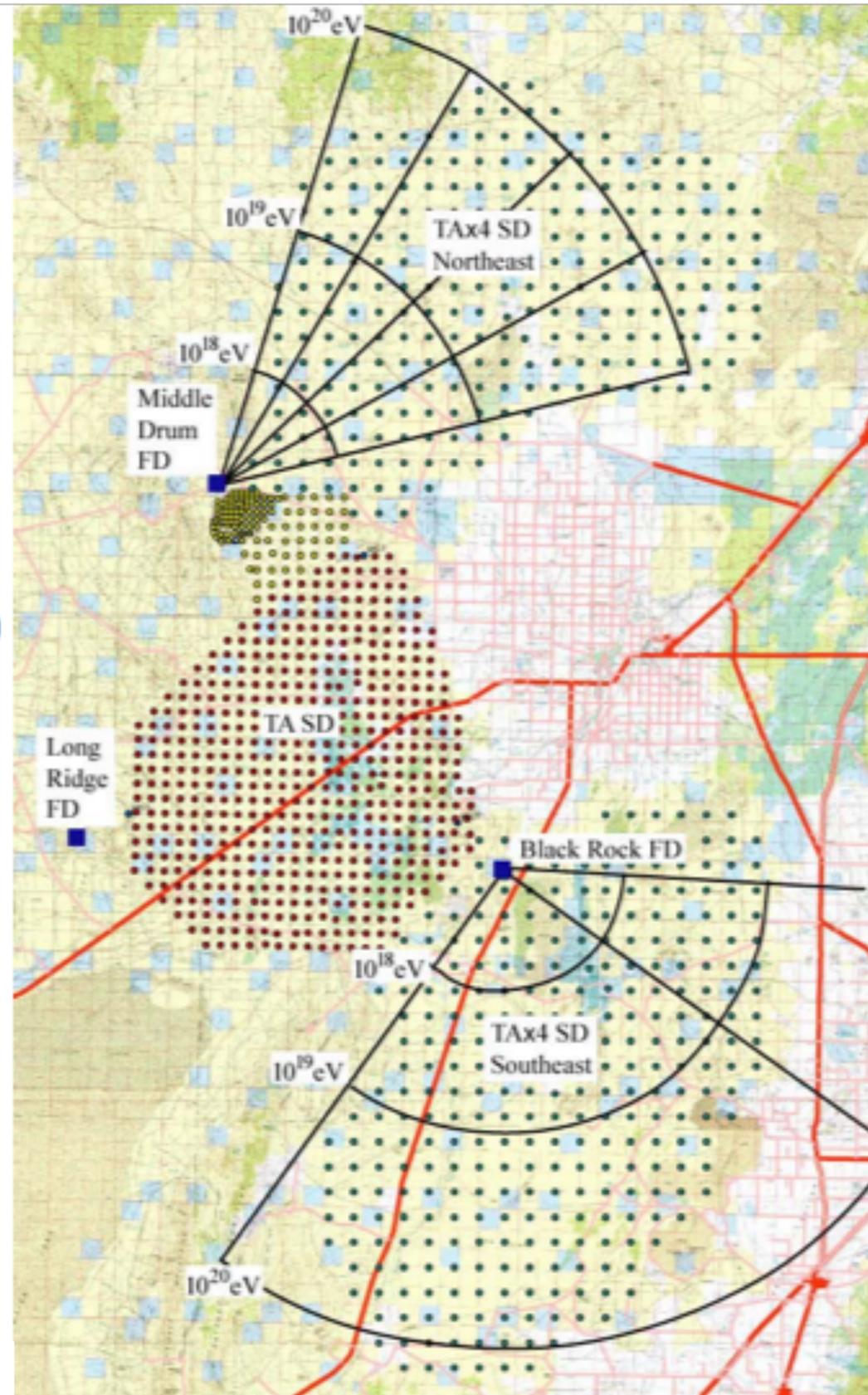
Approved US NSF 2016

Telescopes/electronics being prepared at Univ. Utah

Site construction underway at the northern station.

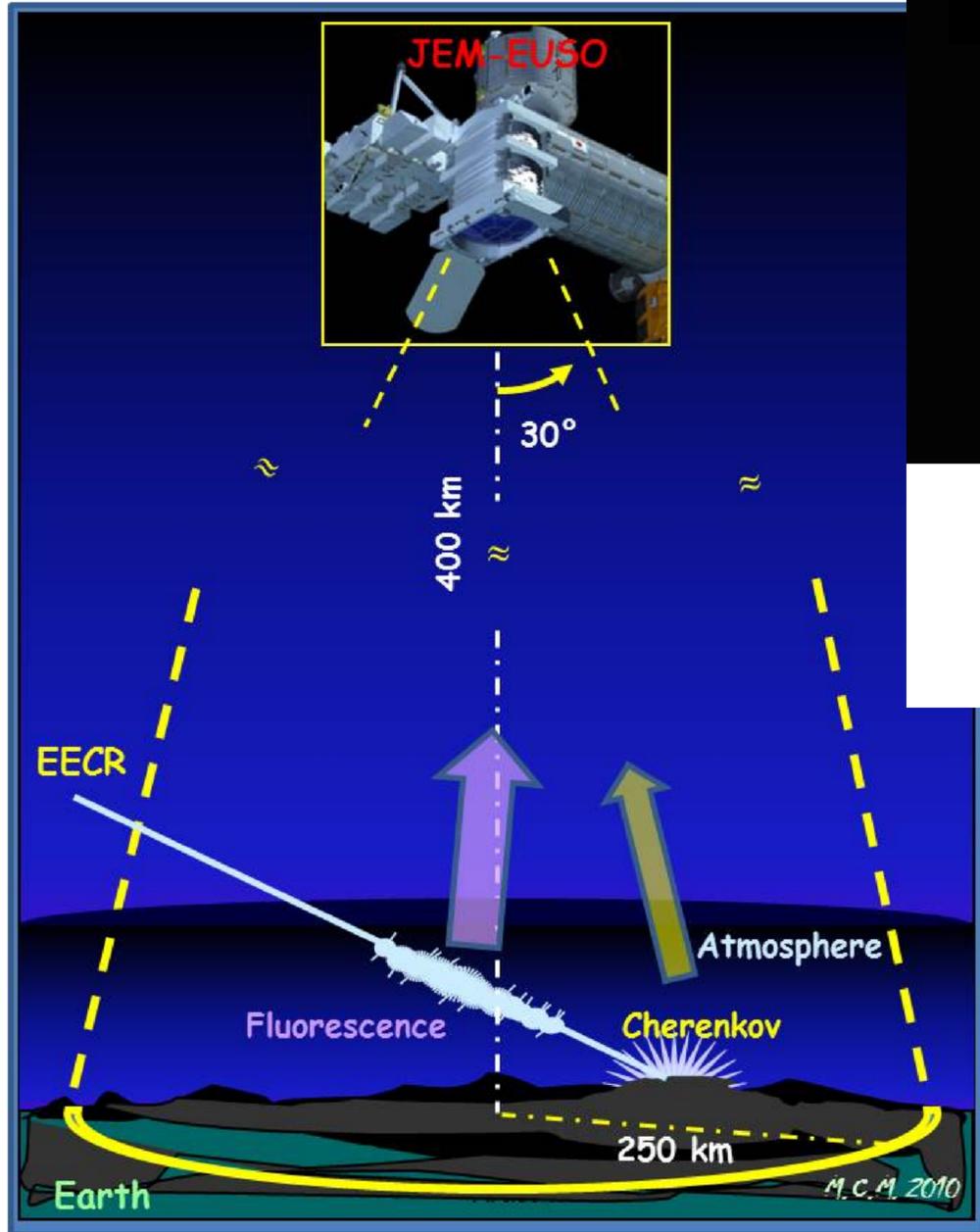
**Get 19 TA-equiv years of SD data by 2020**

Get 16.3 (current) TA years of hybrid data



# The quest for an instrument of ultimately large aperture

JEM-EUSO (status unclear)

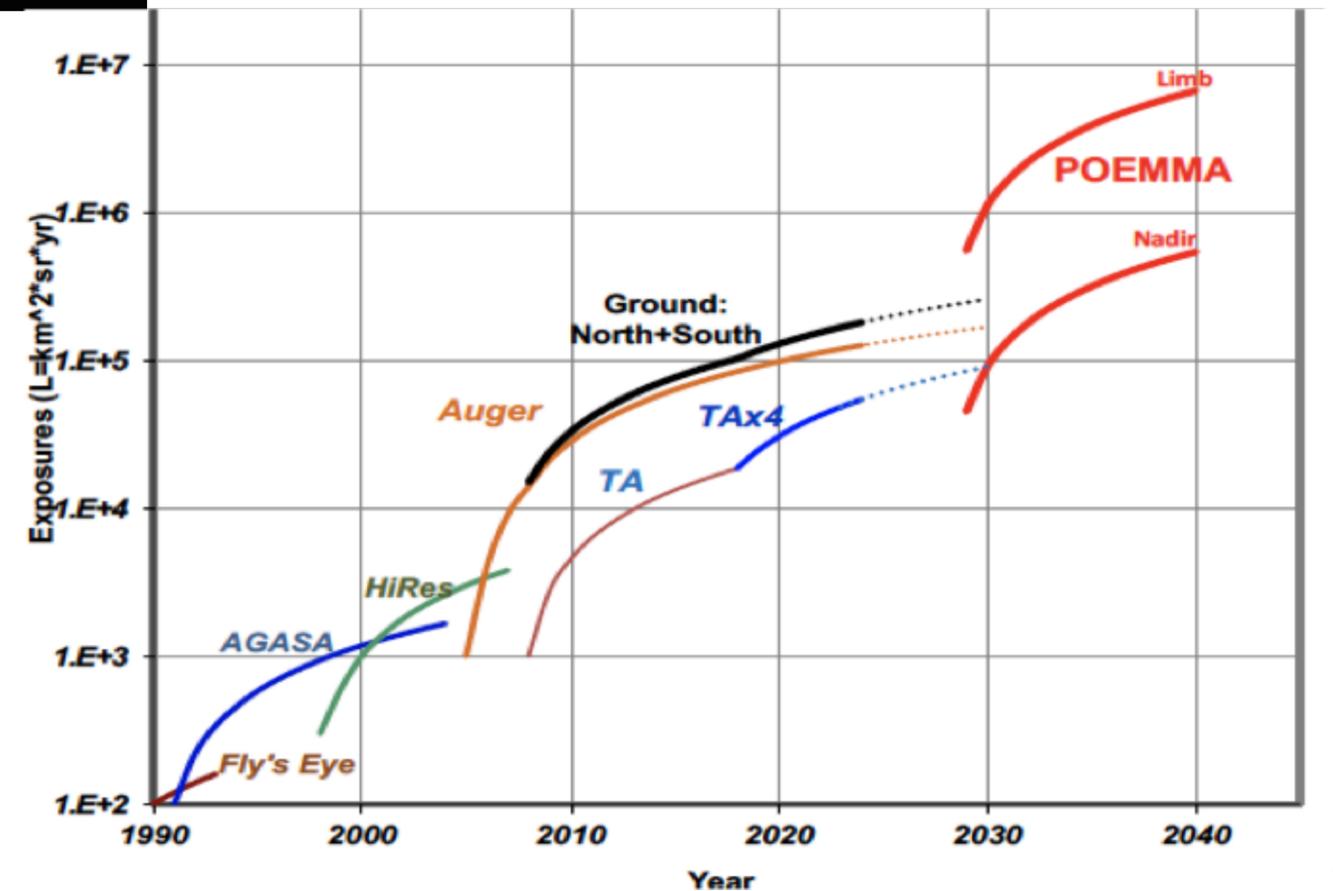


**POEMMA:**  
PROBE OF EXTREME MULTI-MESSENGER ASTROPHYSICS  
UHECRS AND NEUTRINOS

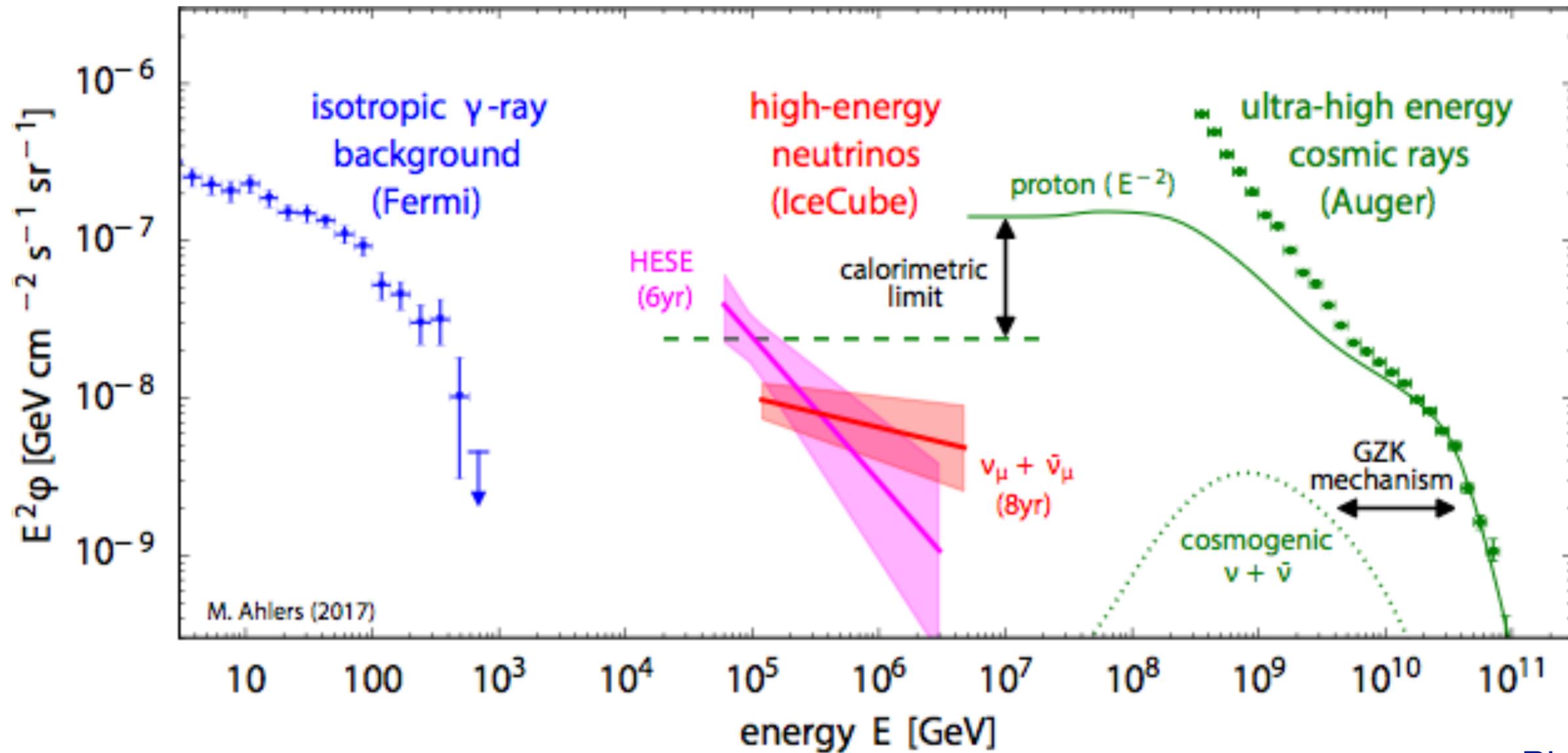
NASA-supported design study

K-EUSO  
(Russian Space Agency)

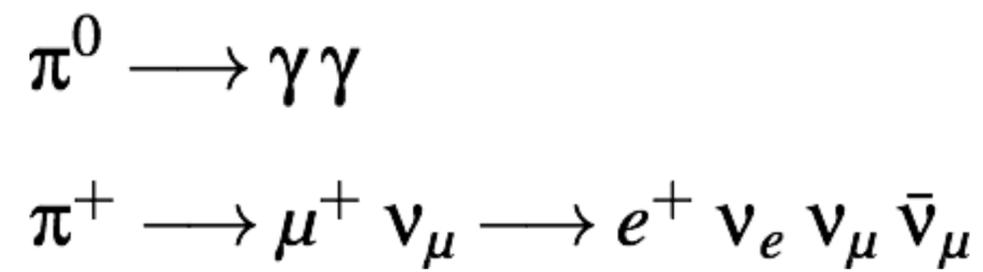
Worldwide distributed hybrid arrays



# Neutrino production due to cosmic ray propagation



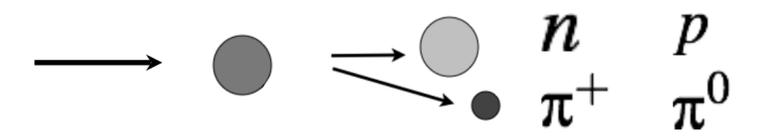
Interplay of  
*interaction in source*  
vs.  
*escape from source*



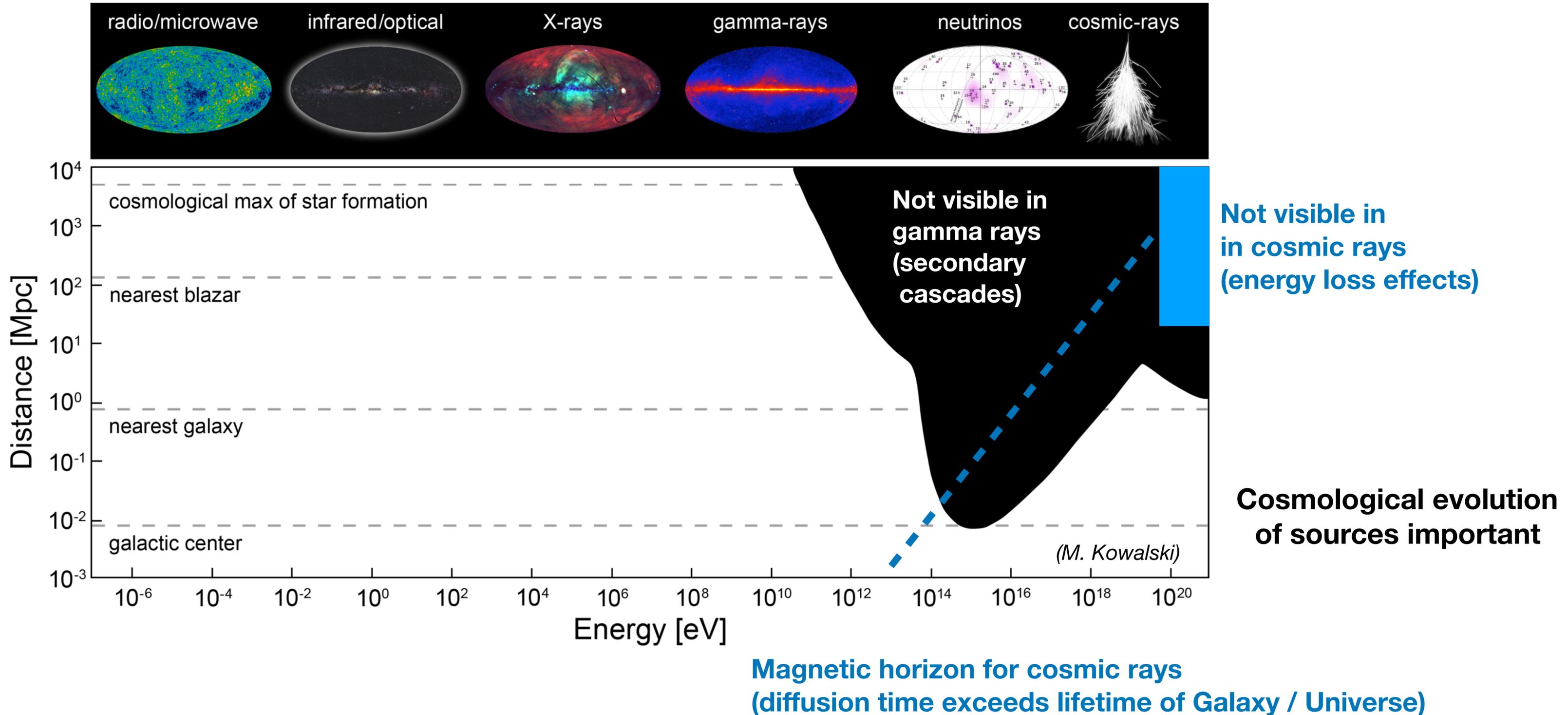
$$\nu_\mu : \nu_e \sim 2 : 1$$

(neutrino + antineutrino flavor)

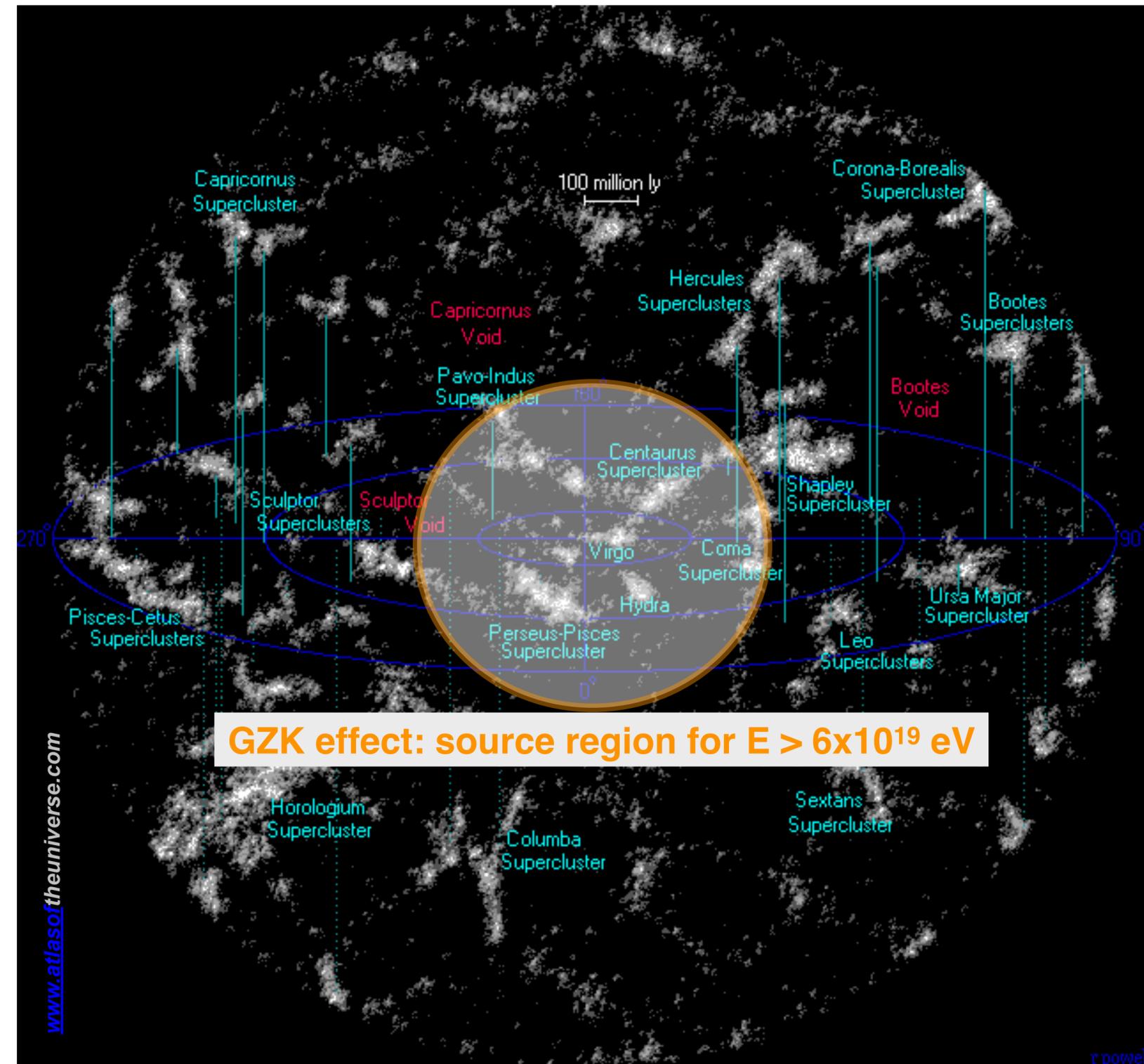
Pion production on any target



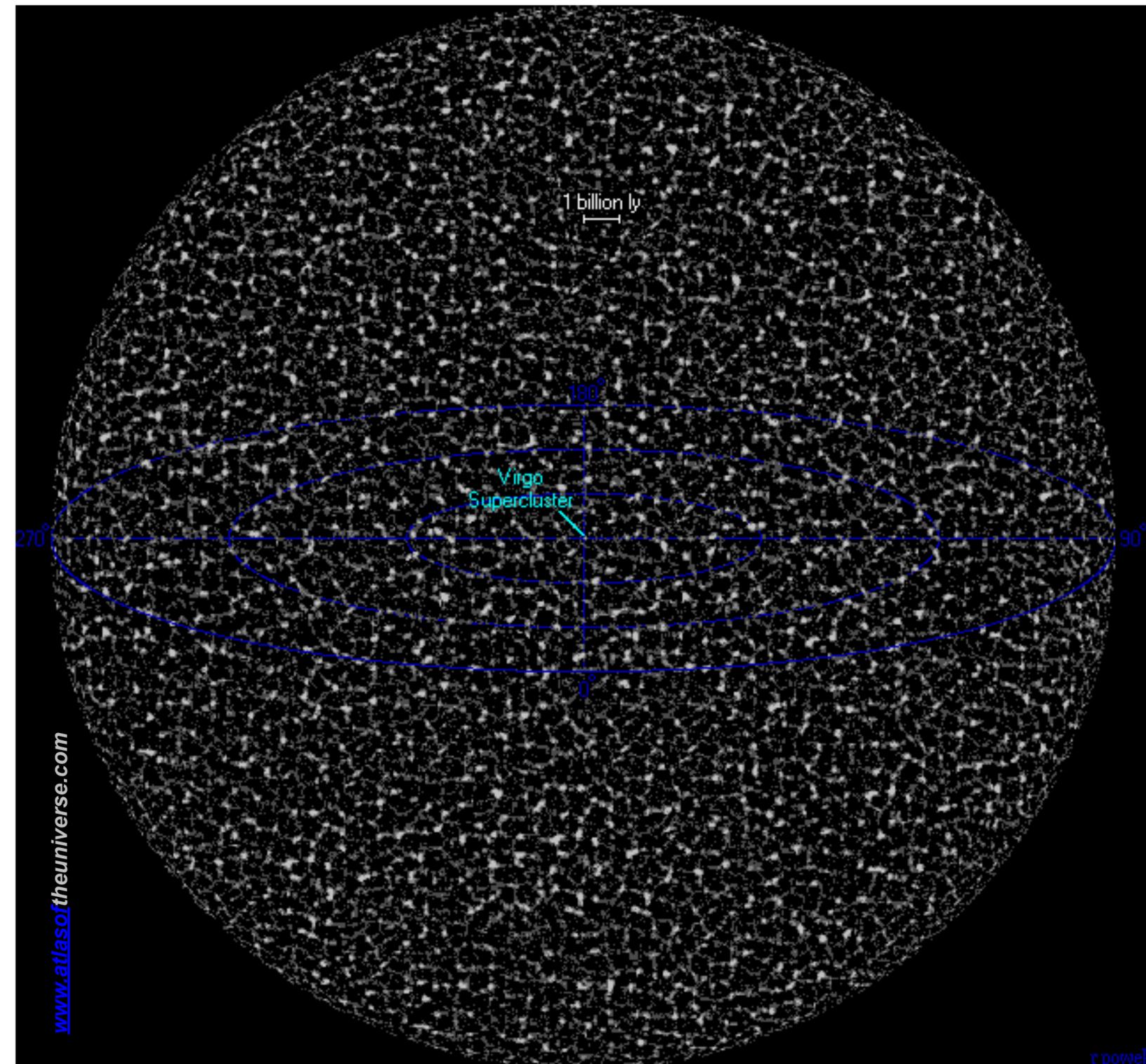
# Propagation distances of different messenger particles



# Distance ranges and matter distribution in the Universe



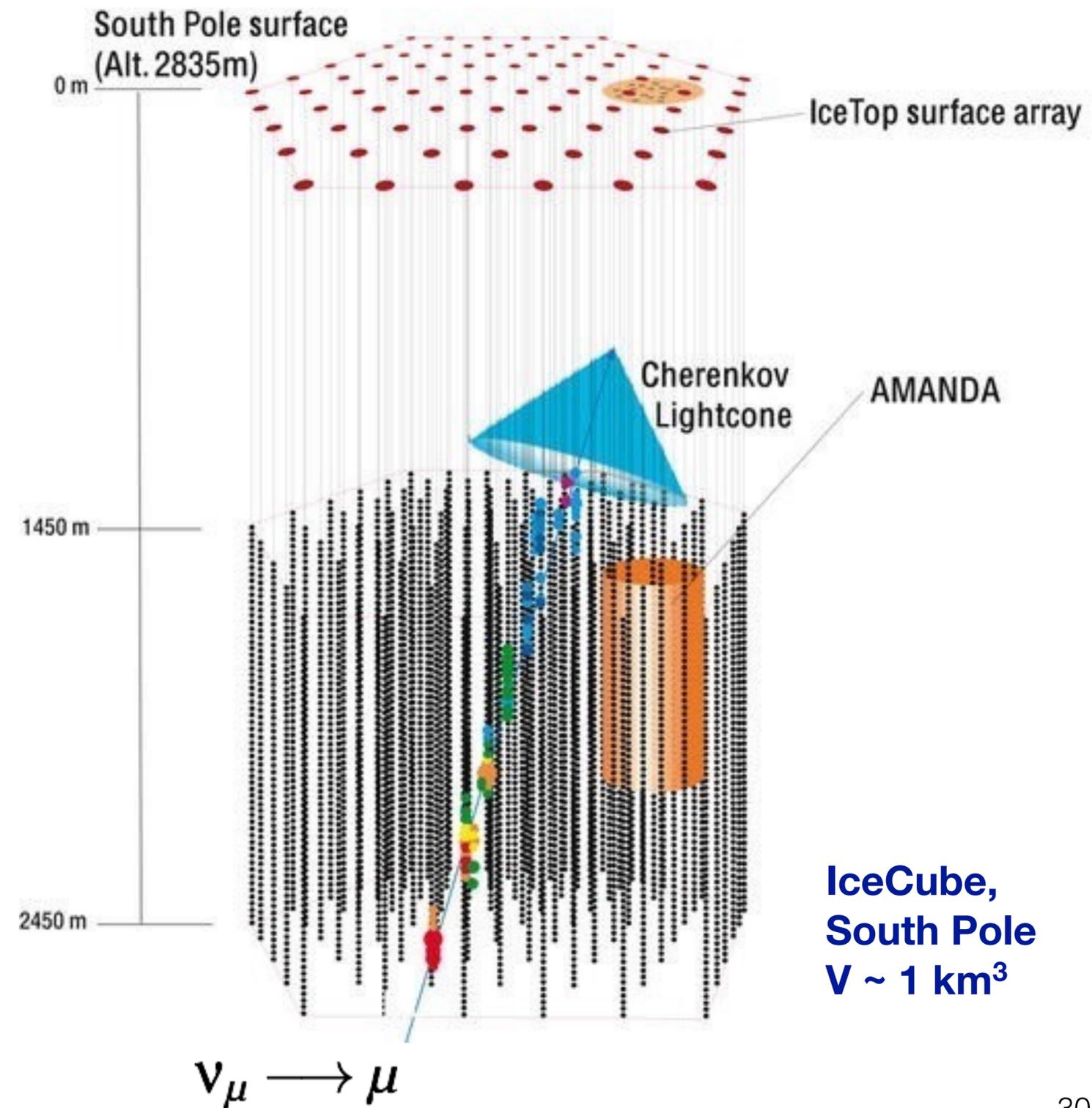
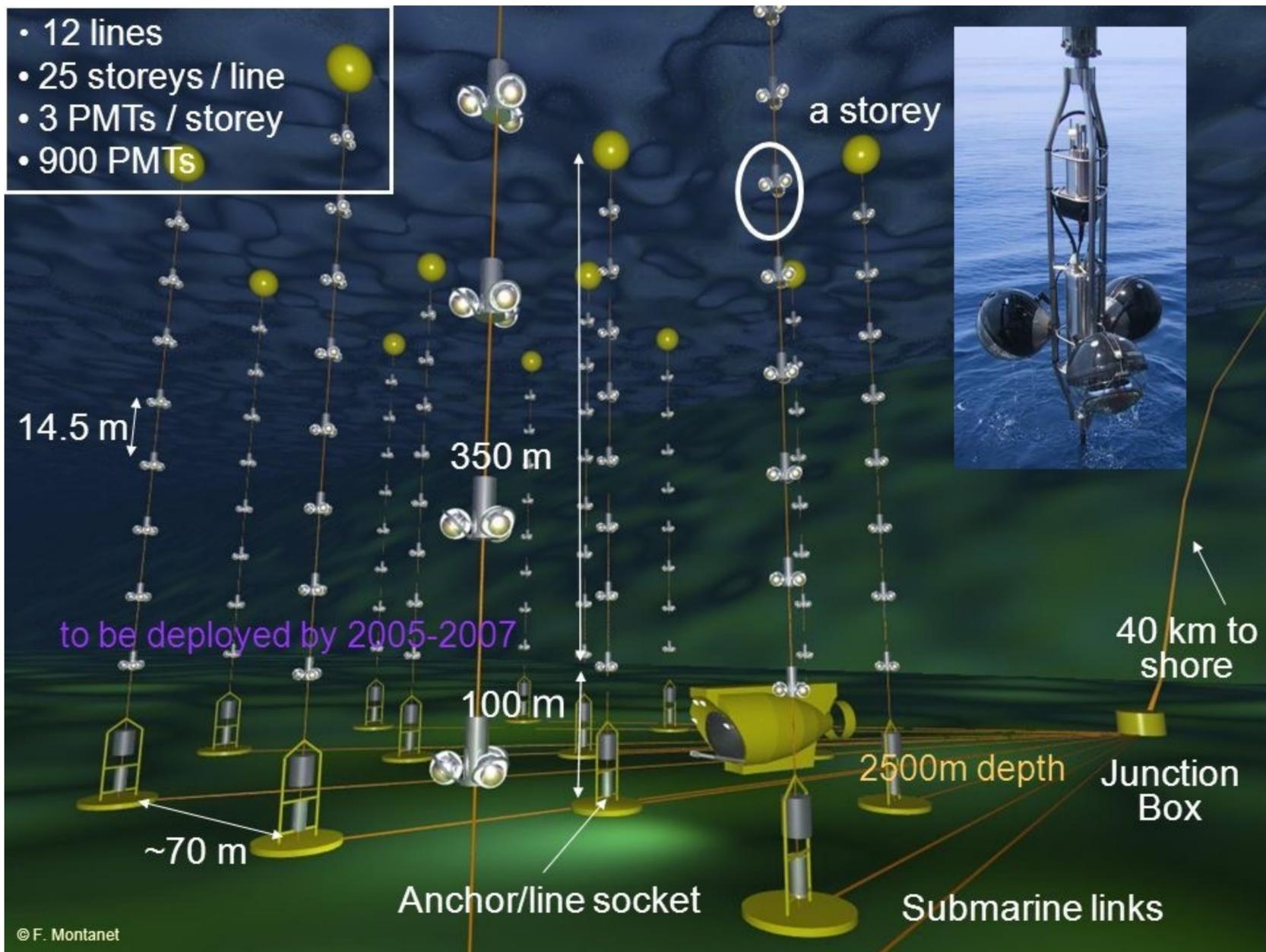
Cosmic rays, gamma-rays



Neutrinos

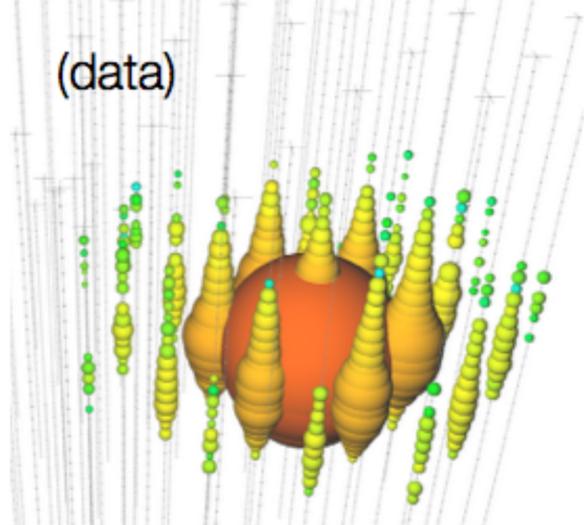
# High-energy neutrino telescopes

## ANTARES, Mediterranean Sea, $V \sim 1/100 \text{ km}^3$



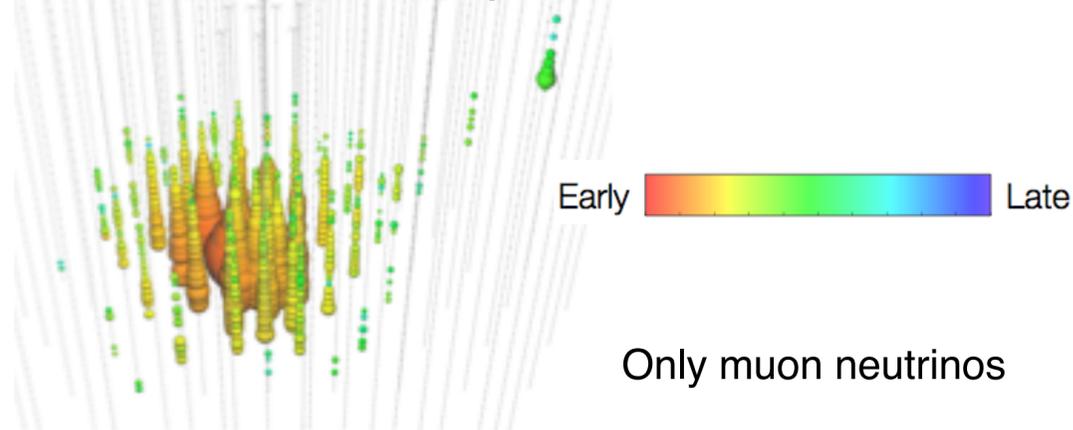
# IceCube measurement techniques

## Charged current $\nu_e$ interaction



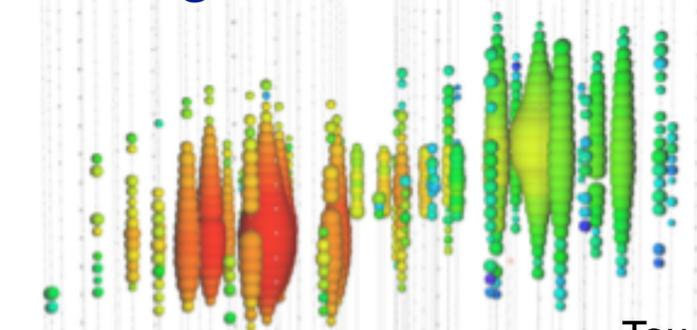
electron neutrinos  
(NC muon & tau neutrinos)

## Charged current $\nu_\mu$ interaction



Only muon neutrinos

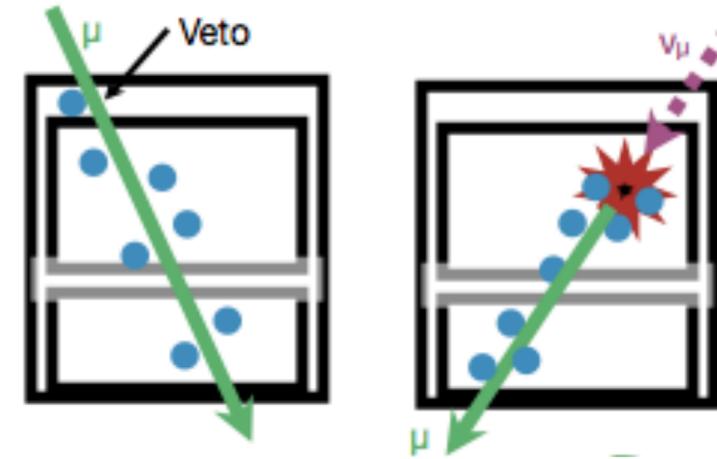
## Charged current $\nu_\tau$ interaction



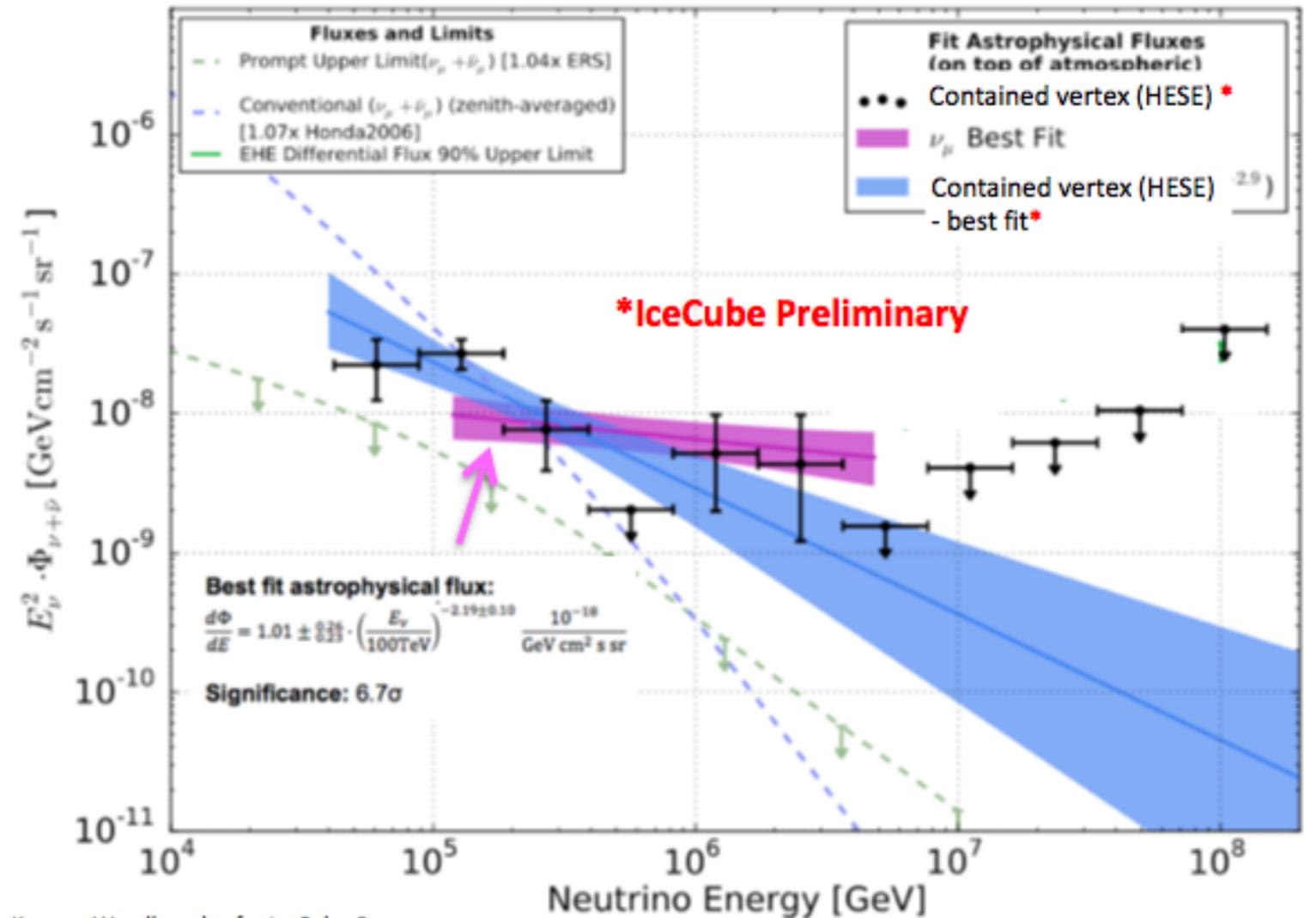
Tau decay length  $\sim 50\text{m}/10^{15}\text{ eV}$

## Veto technique

High energy starting events (HESE)



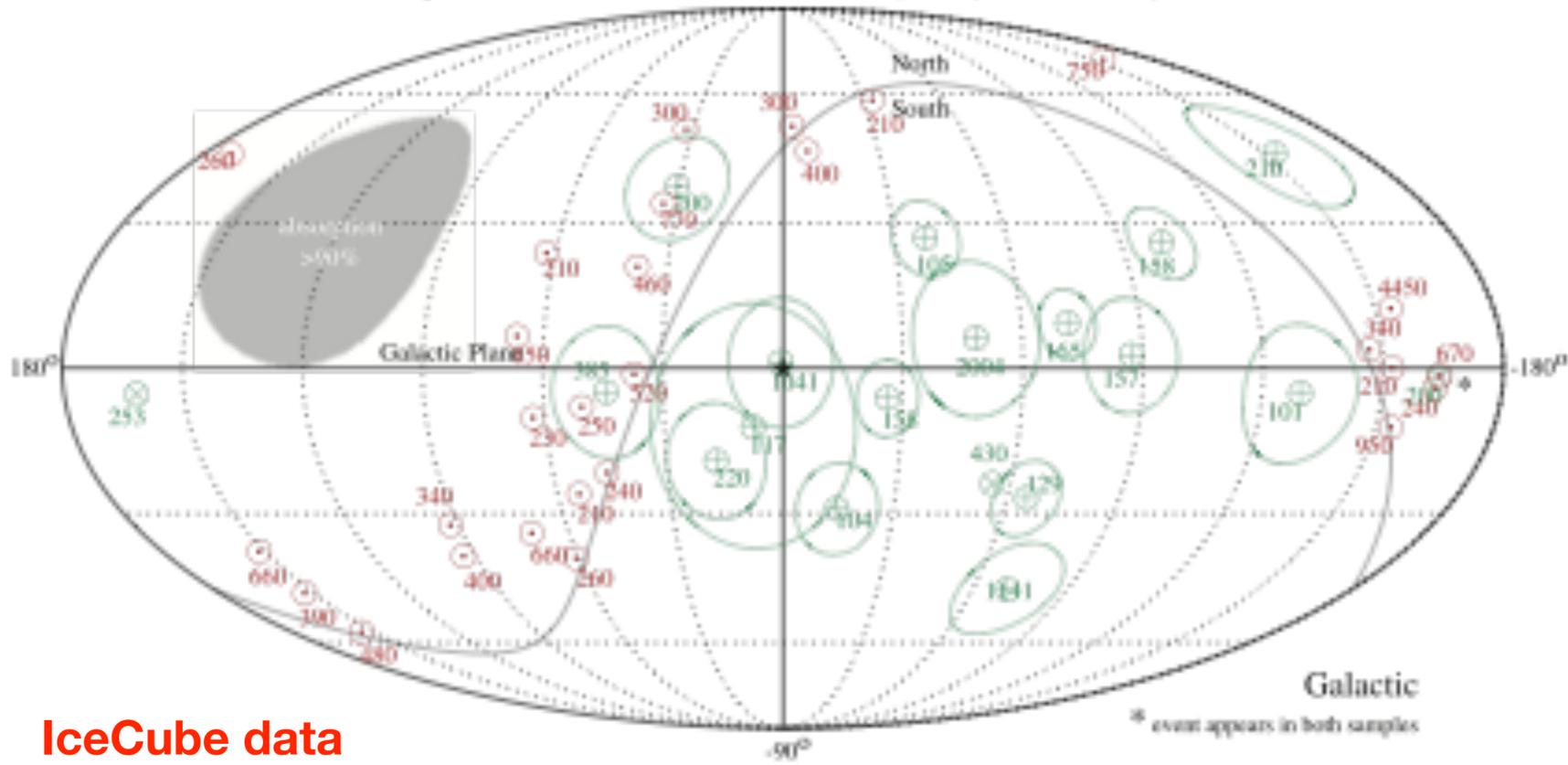
Breakthrough in 2013



# Results: Neutrino arrival directions (i)

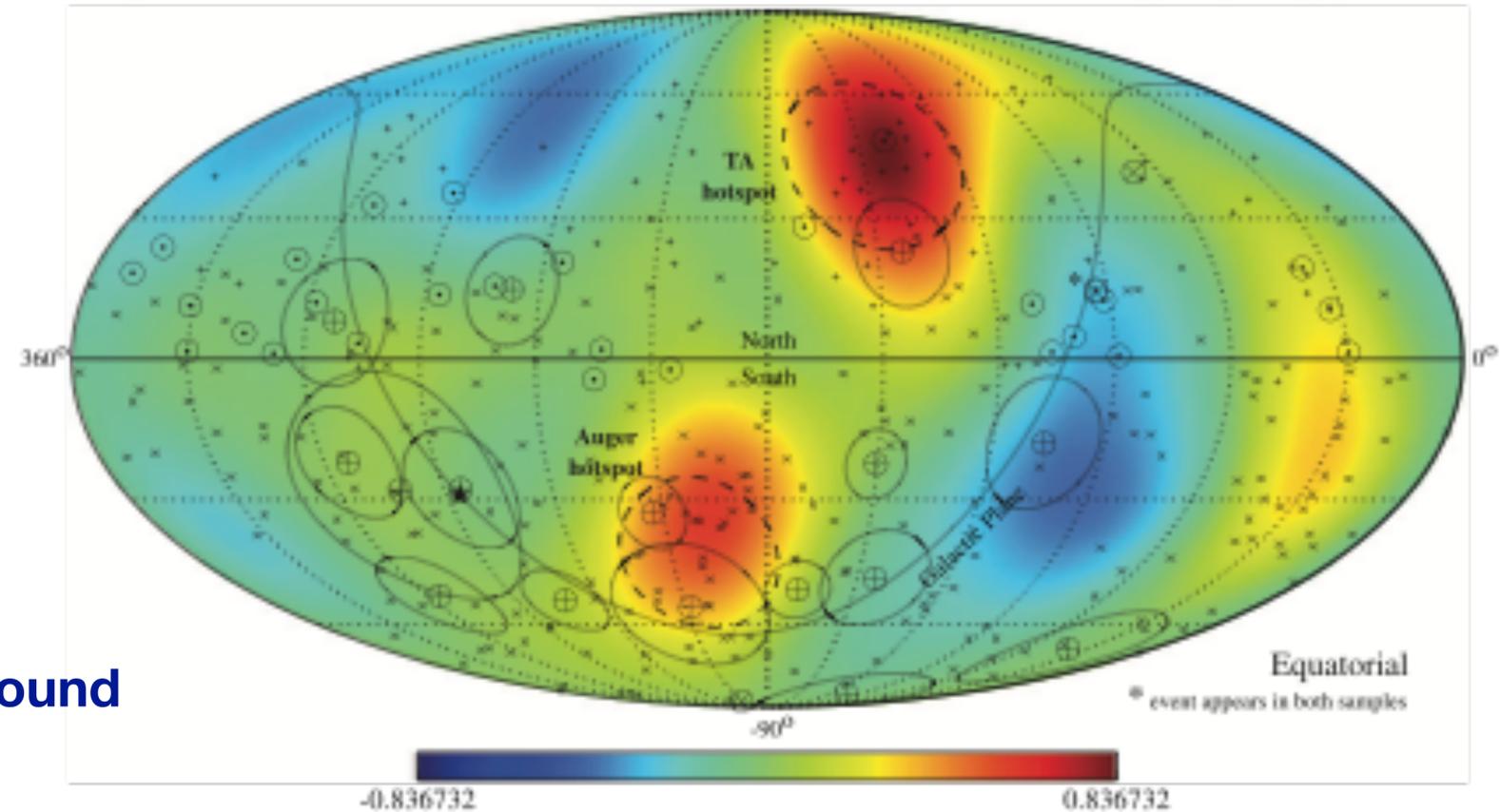
Some neutrinos are background events  
 Different detection techniques for different sky regions  
 No obvious clustering with Galactic plane or Center

HESE 4yr with  $E_{dep} > 100$  TeV (green) / Classical  $\nu_{\mu} + \bar{\nu}_{\mu}$  6yr with  $E_{\mu} > 200$  TeV (red)



IceCube data

Auger 2014  $E \geq 52$  EeV ( $\times$ ) / TA 2014  $E \geq 57$  EeV ( $+$ ) / smoothed anisotropy map ( $\Delta\theta_{50\%} = 20^\circ$ )

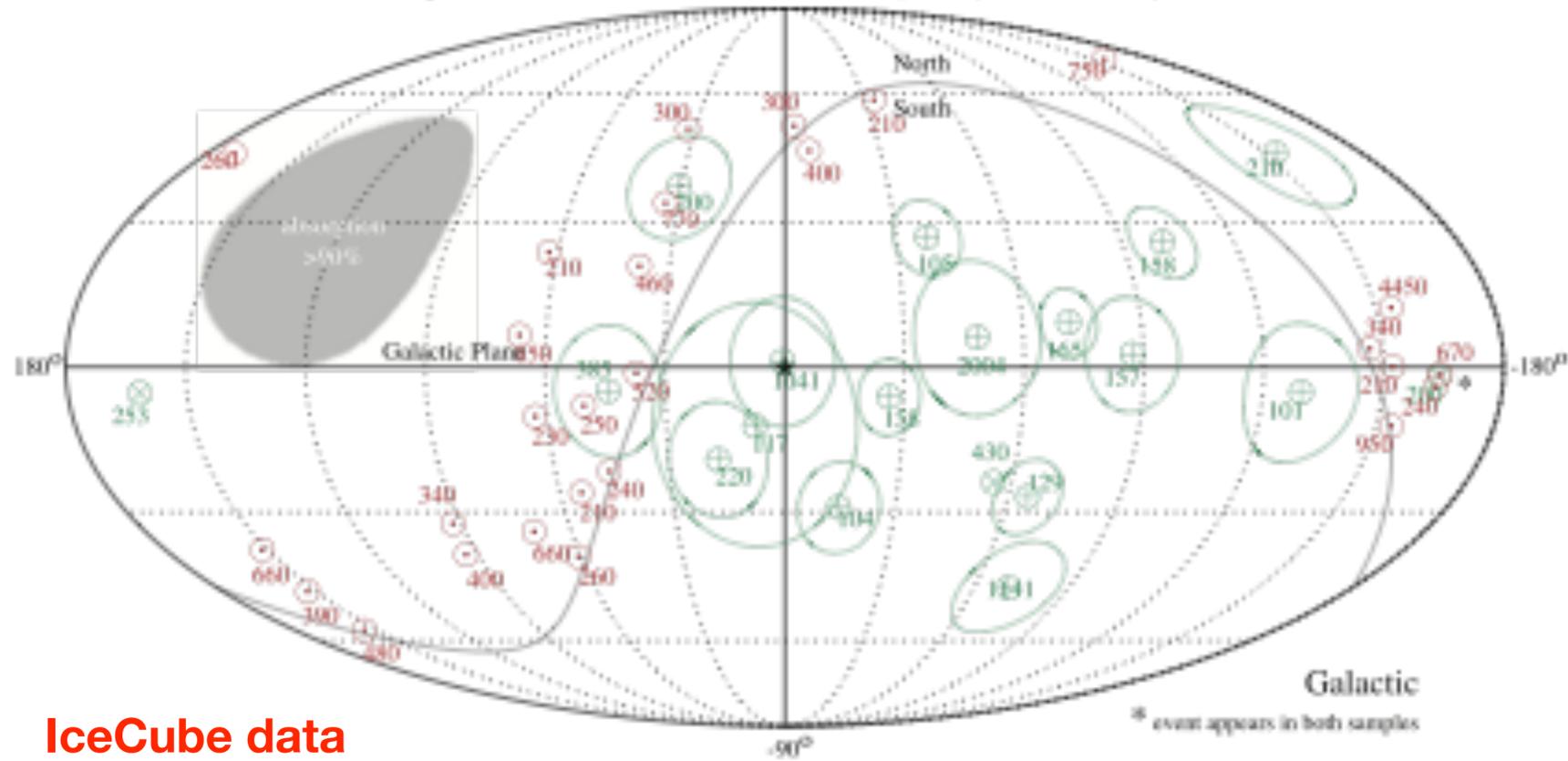


No significant correlation with UHECRs found

# Results: Neutrino arrival directions (ii)

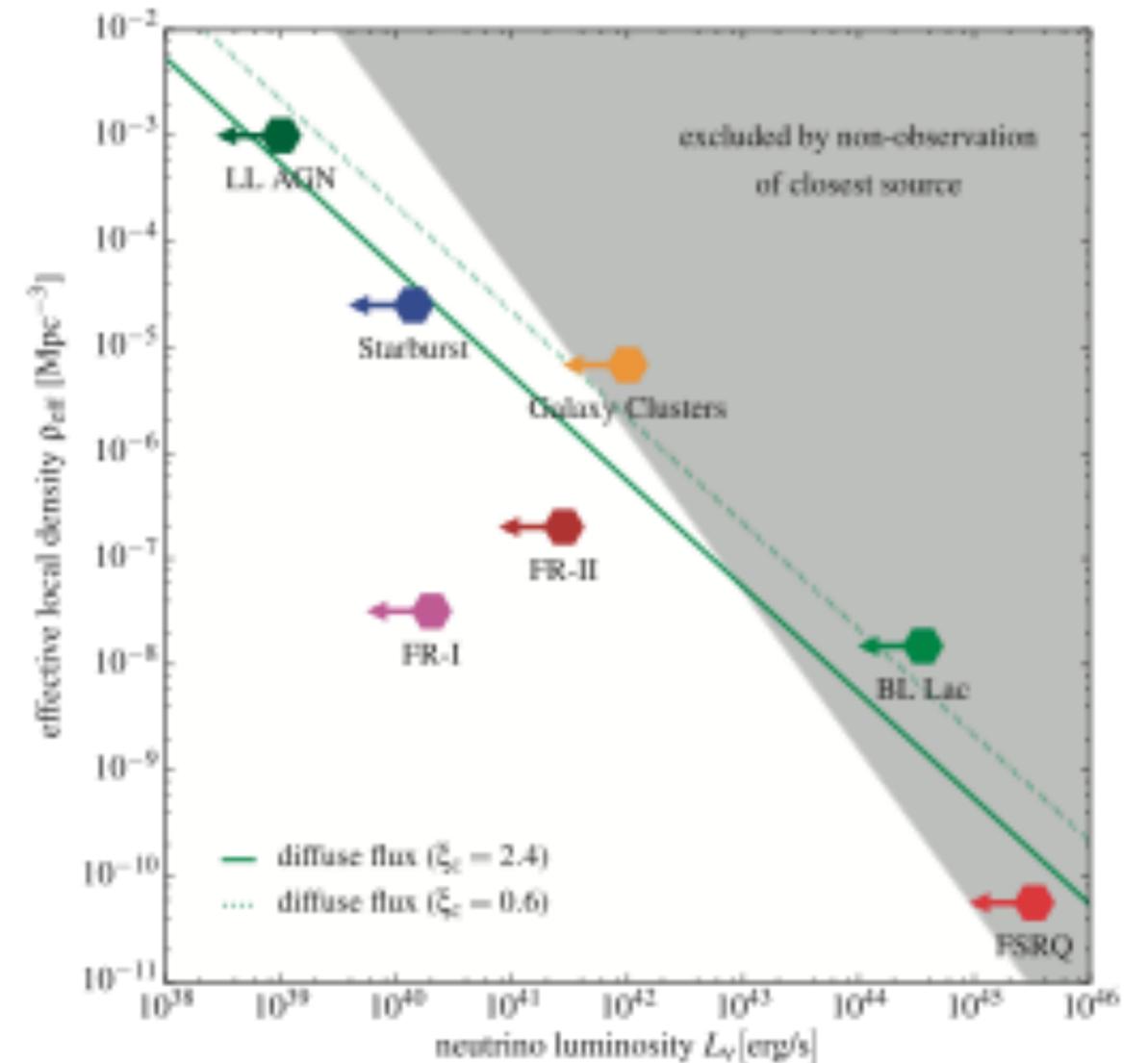
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- Different detection techniques for different sky regions
- No obvious clustering with Galactic plane or Center
- First source candidates can be excluded

HESE 4yr with  $E_{\text{dep}} > 100$  TeV (green) / Classical  $\nu_{\mu} + \bar{\nu}_{\mu}$  6yr with  $E_{\mu} > 200$  TeV (red)



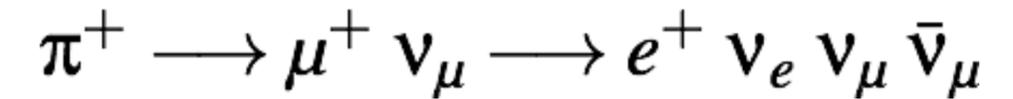
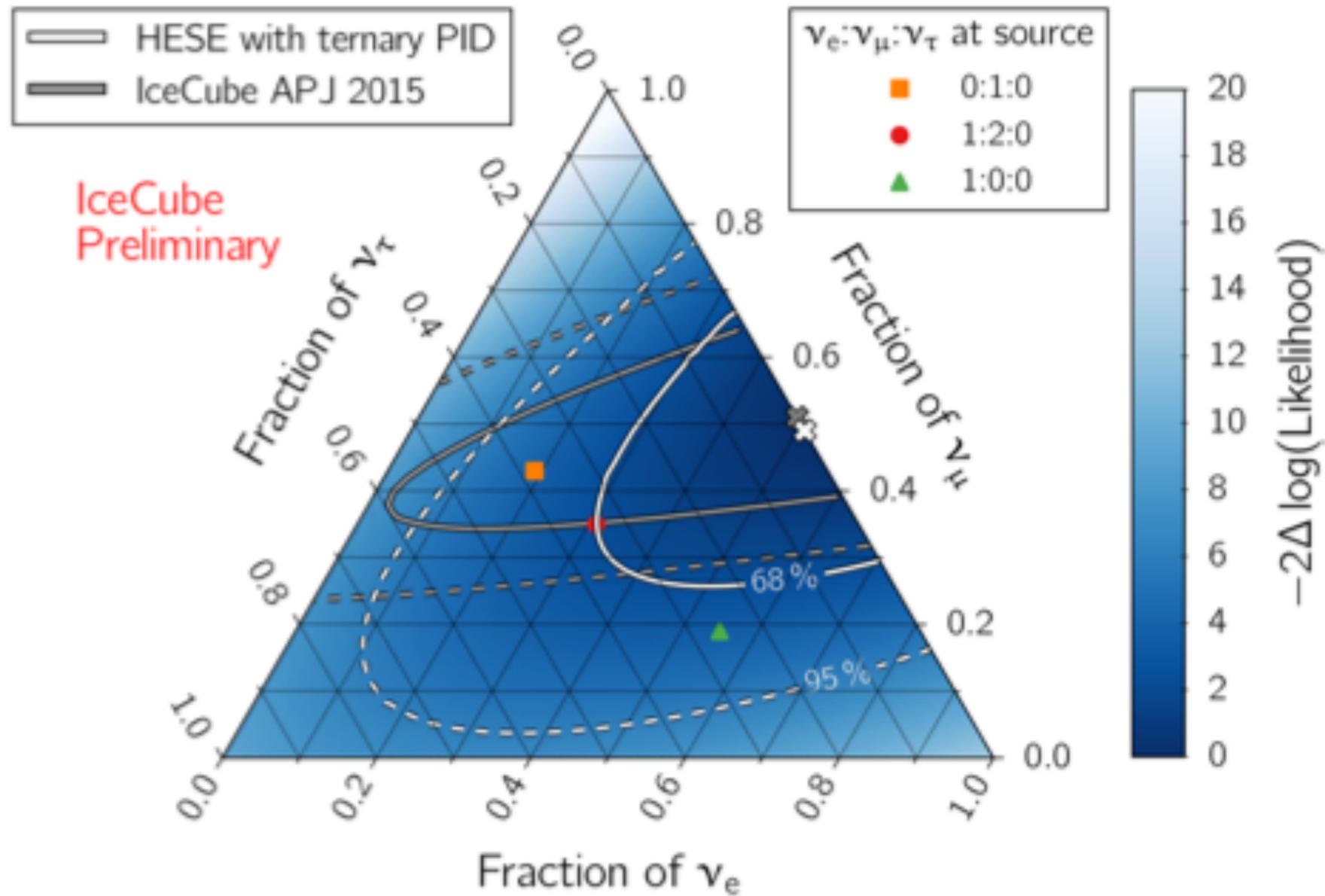
IceCube data

Assumption:  
IceCube flux is diffuse,  
no local source seen



(Ahlers & Halzen, PTEP 2017)

# Results: Neutrino flavor mixture as observed at Earth



## Neutrino oscillations from source to Earth

- 0:1:0 only pion decay, strong muon cooling
- 1:2:0 classic pion and muon decay
- 1:0:0 neutron decay (anti-neutrinos\_e)

### IceCube:

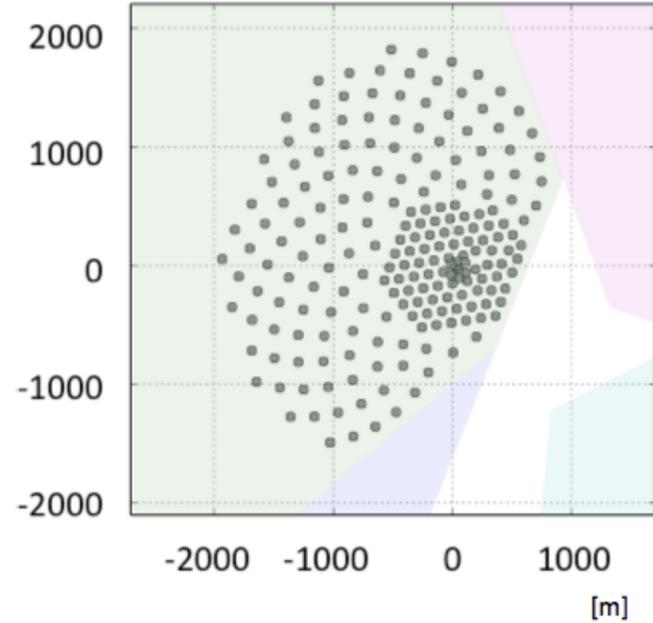
2.83 tau-neutrinos expected,  
0 observed

$$f_{\nu_e} = 0.51^{+0.12}_{-0.13}$$

$$f_{\nu_\mu} = 0.49^{+0.12}_{-0.13}$$

$$f_{\nu_\tau} = 0.00^{+0.16}_{-0.00}$$

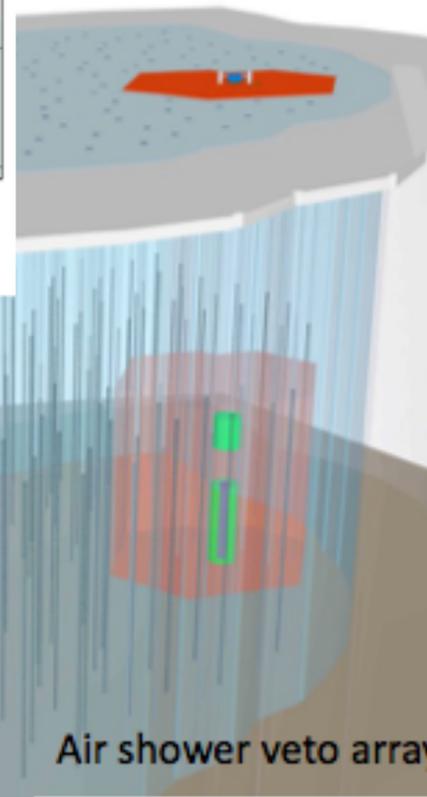
# IceCube Generation 2 (Gen-2)



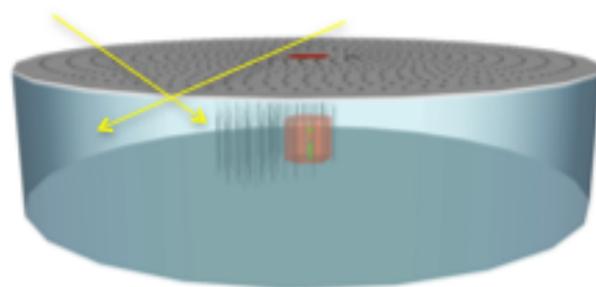
Surface Area:  $\sim 6.5 \text{ km}^2$  (0.9)  
Instrumented depth: 1.26 km (1.0)

Instrumented Volume:  $8 \text{ km}^3$

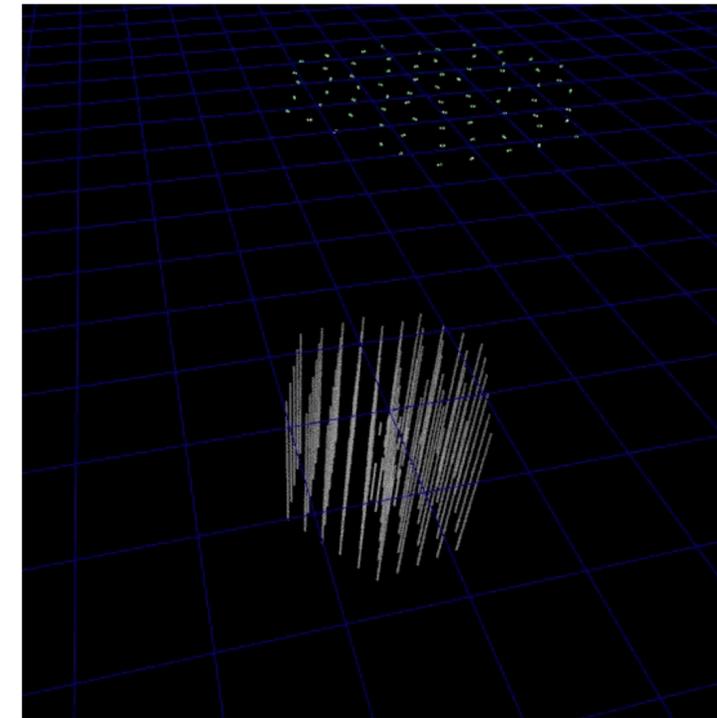
Order of magnitude increase  
of contained event rate at high  
energies.



Air shower veto array



## Importance of veto array

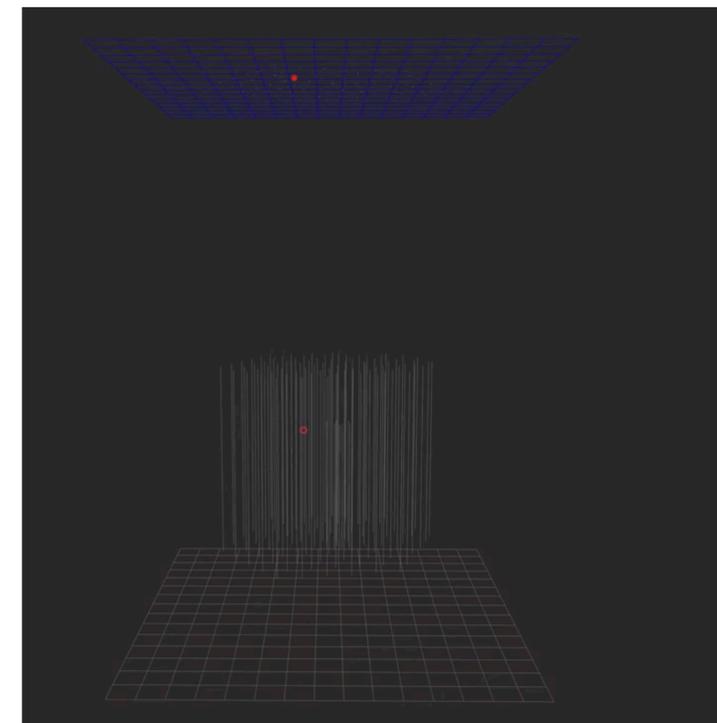


### Air shower event

- IceTop:  $E_\mu \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$
- IceCube:  $E_\mu \sim 500 \text{ GeV}$

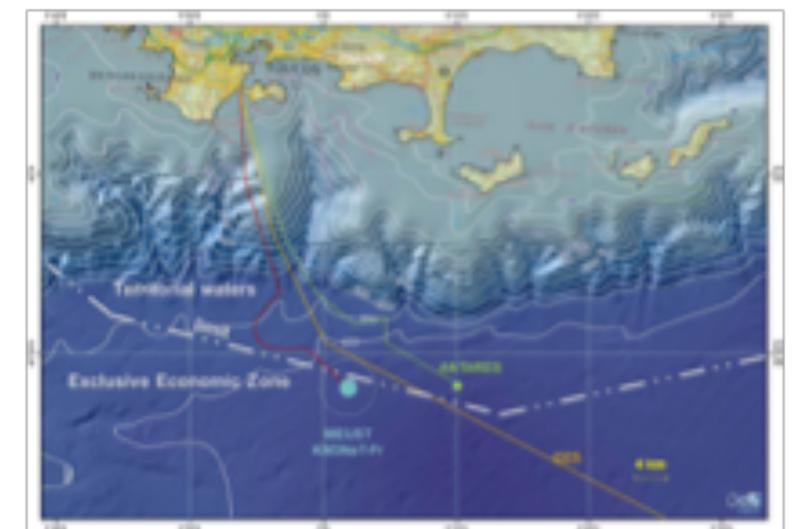
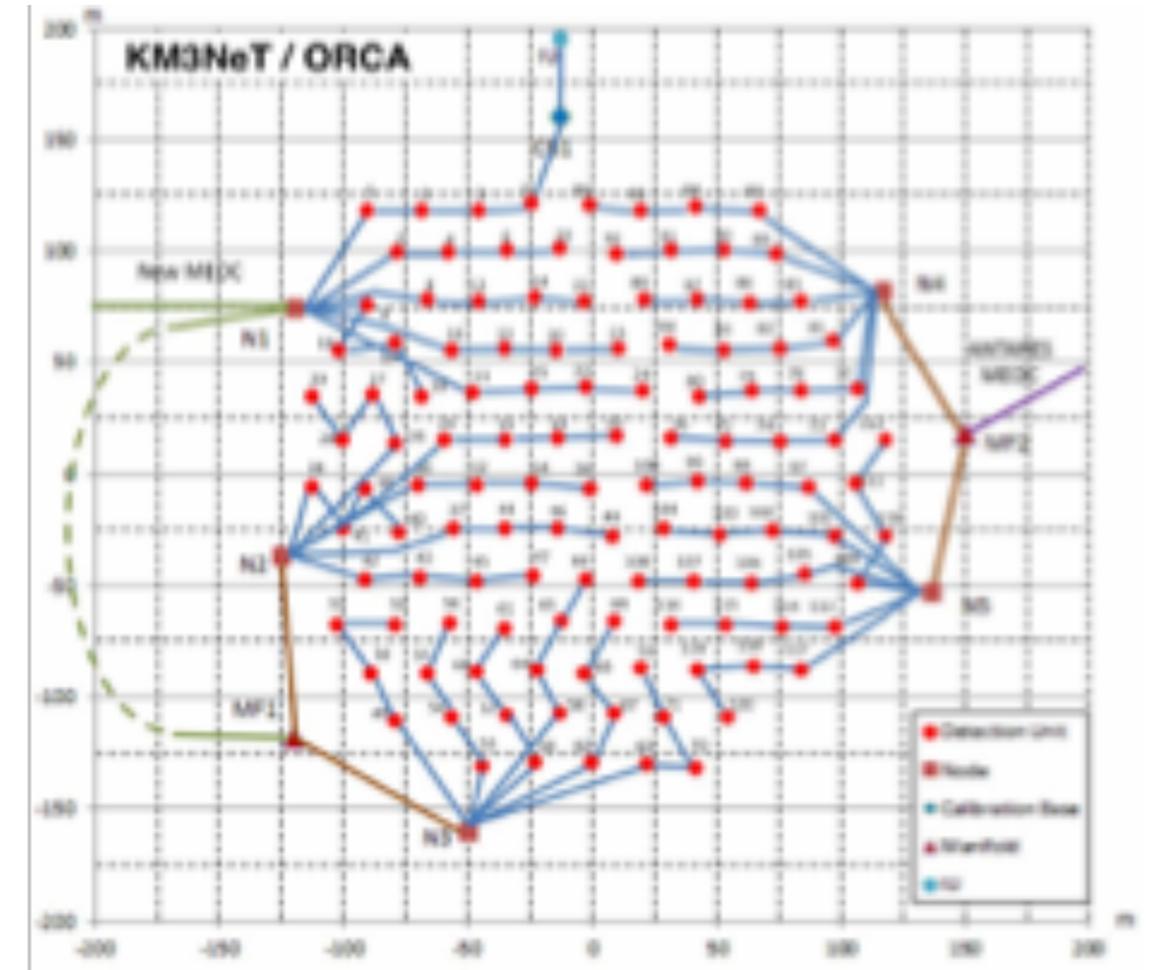
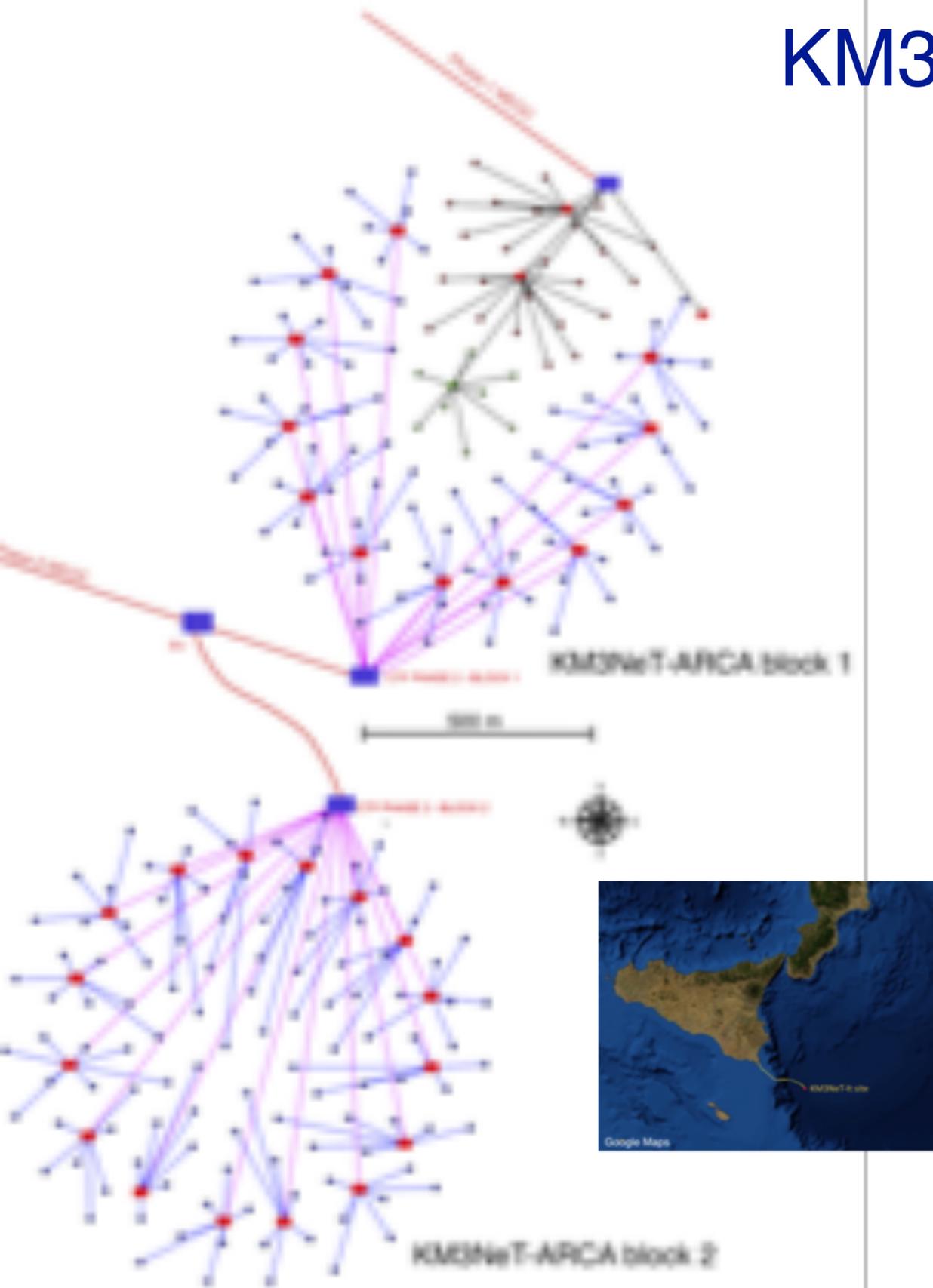
### Astrophysical neutrino event (simulation)

- IceTop: veto array
- IceCube: neutrino  
track or cascade



# KM3NeT: ARCA and ORCA

**ORCA could be first experiment to determine neutrino mass hierarchy**



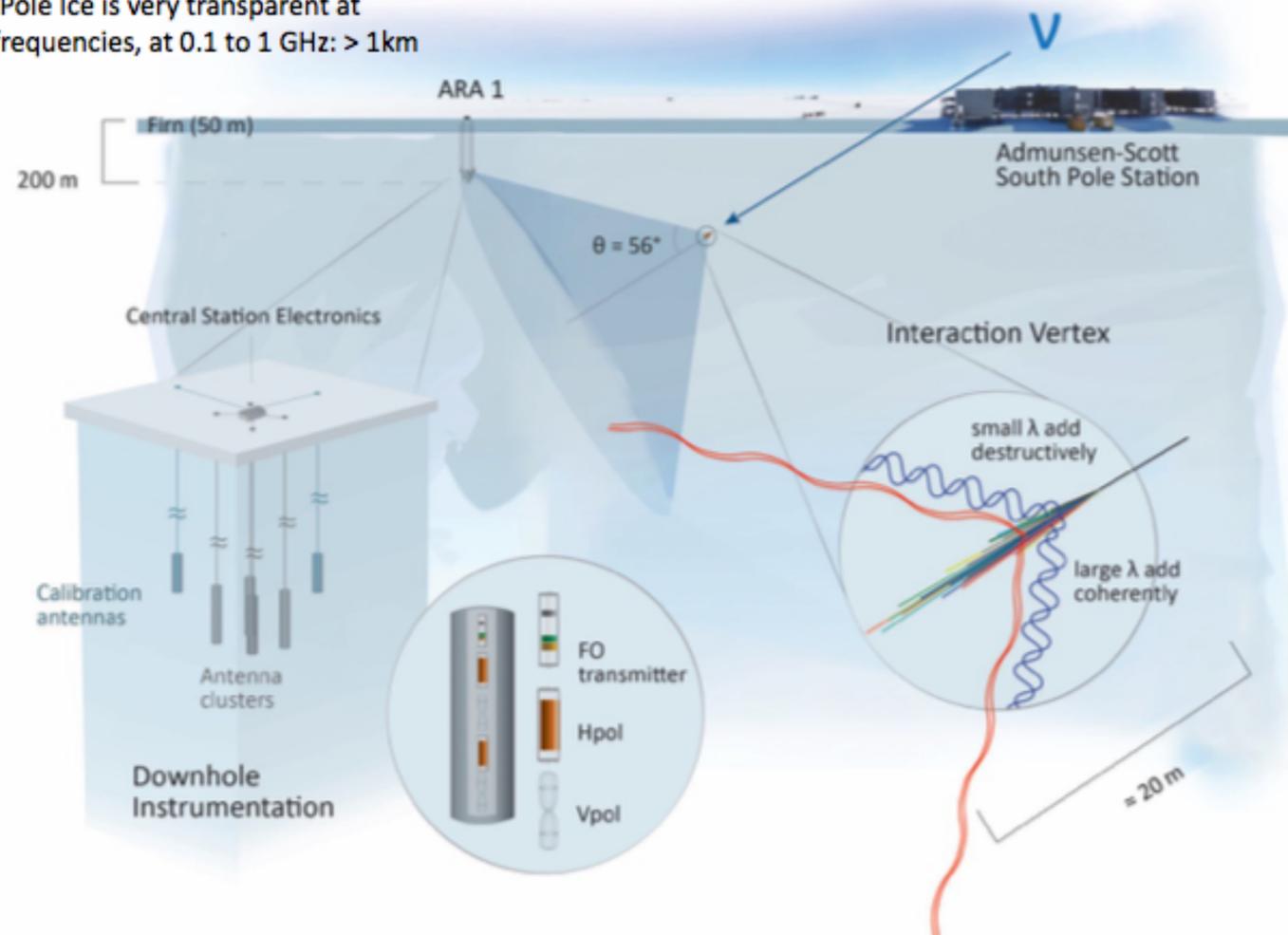
# Detection of neutrinos of ultra-high energy

## ANITA balloon flights



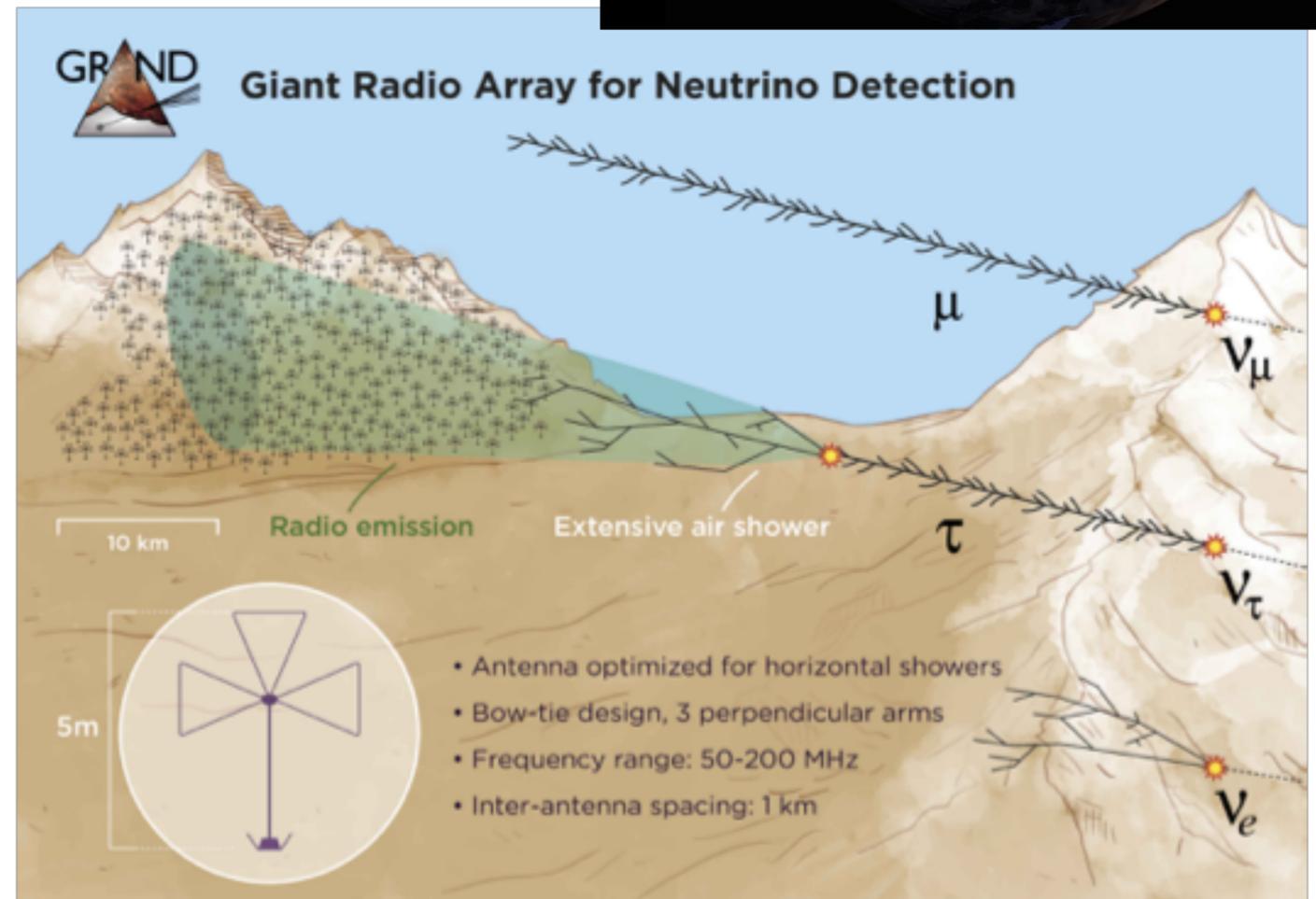
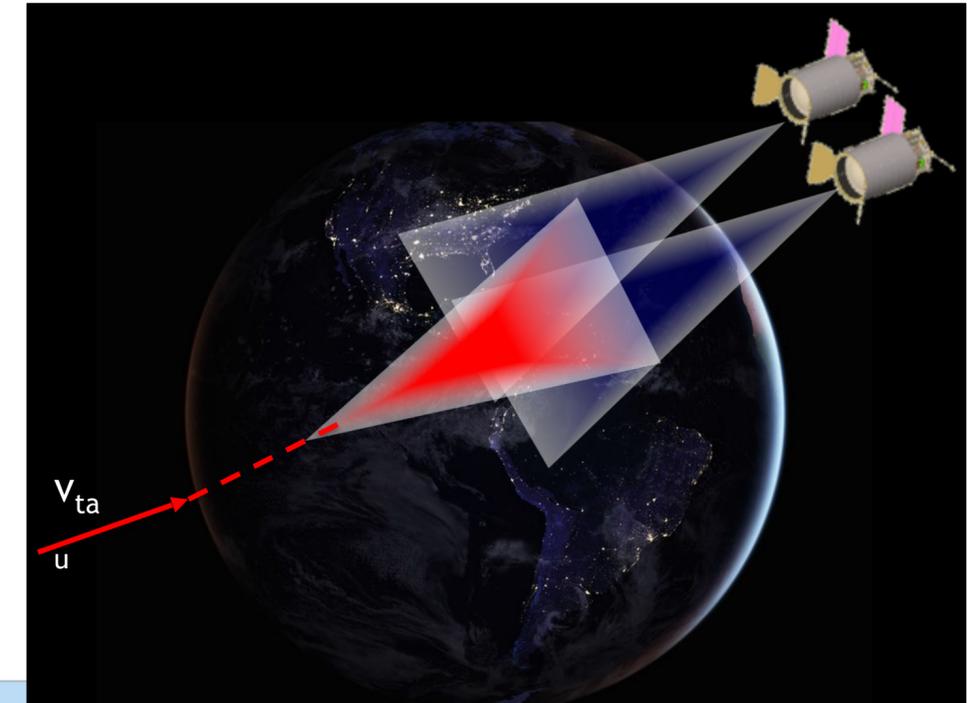
### Detection of ultra-high-energy neutrinos: ARA

South Pole Ice is very transparent at radio frequencies, at 0.1 to 1 GHz: > 1km

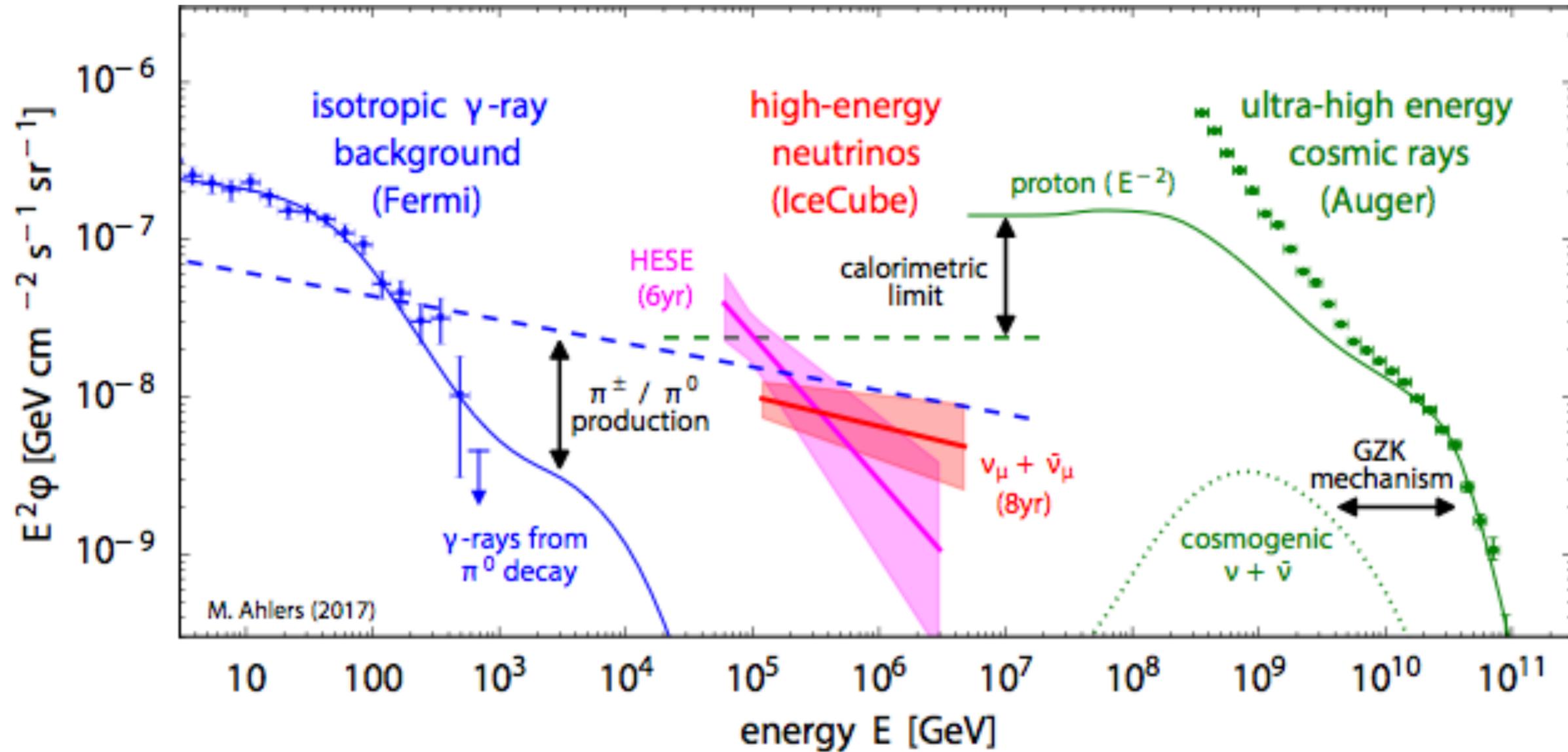


### Different concept in ice: ARIANNA

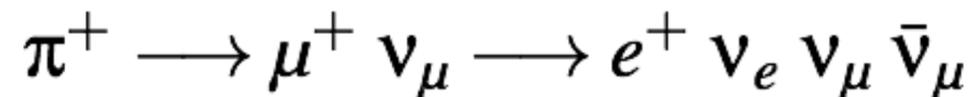
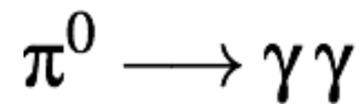
## POEMMA neutrino detection



# Gamma-ray production due to cosmic ray propagation



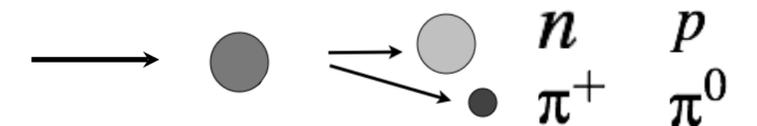
Interplay of  
*interaction in source*  
vs.  
*escape from source*



$$\nu_\mu : \nu_e \sim 2 : 1$$

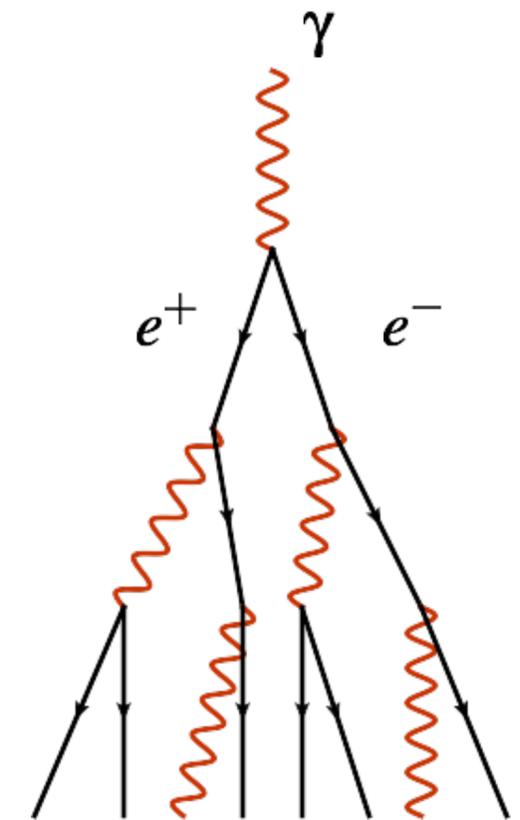
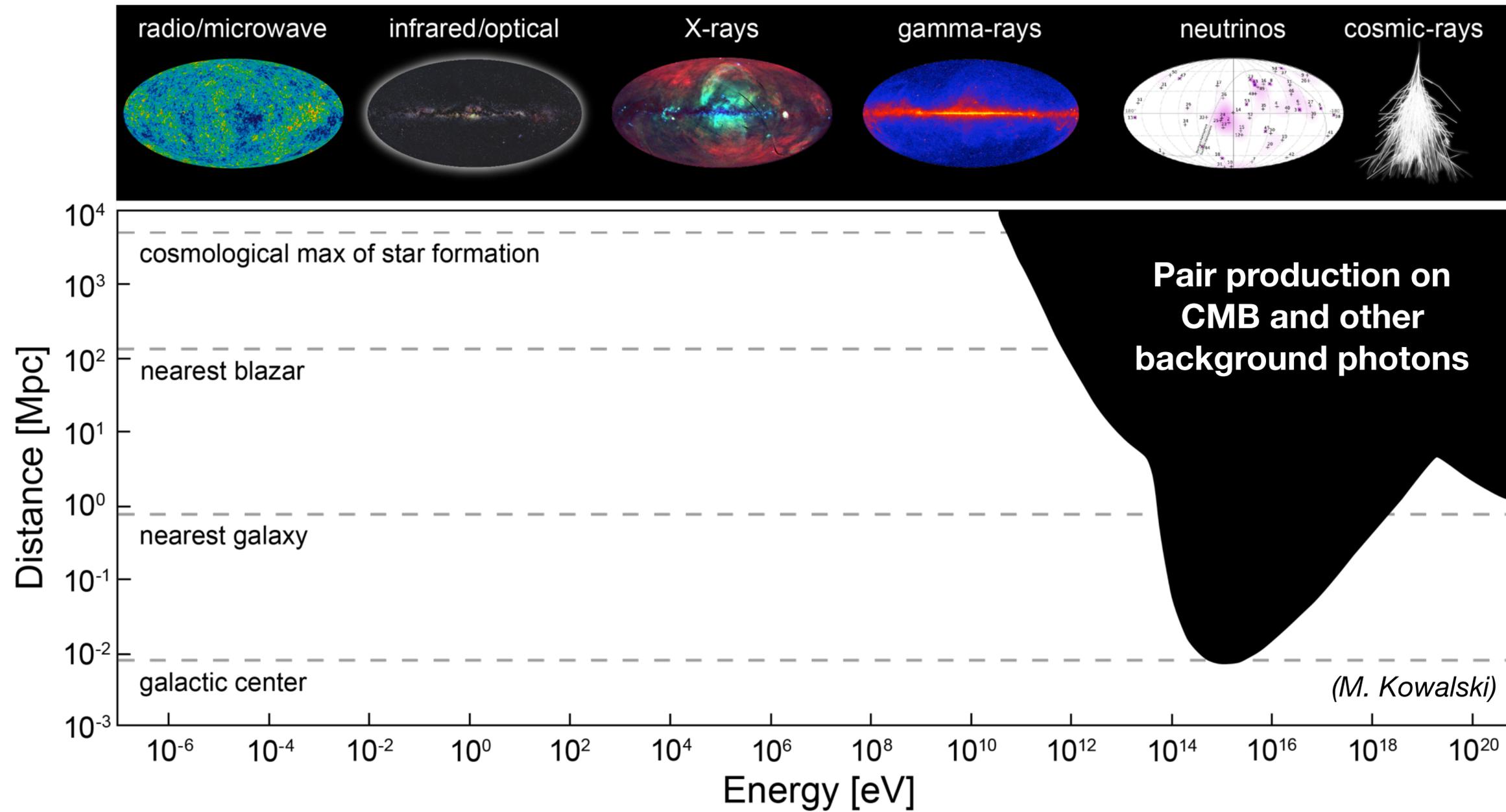
(neutrino + antineutrino flavor)

Pion production on any target



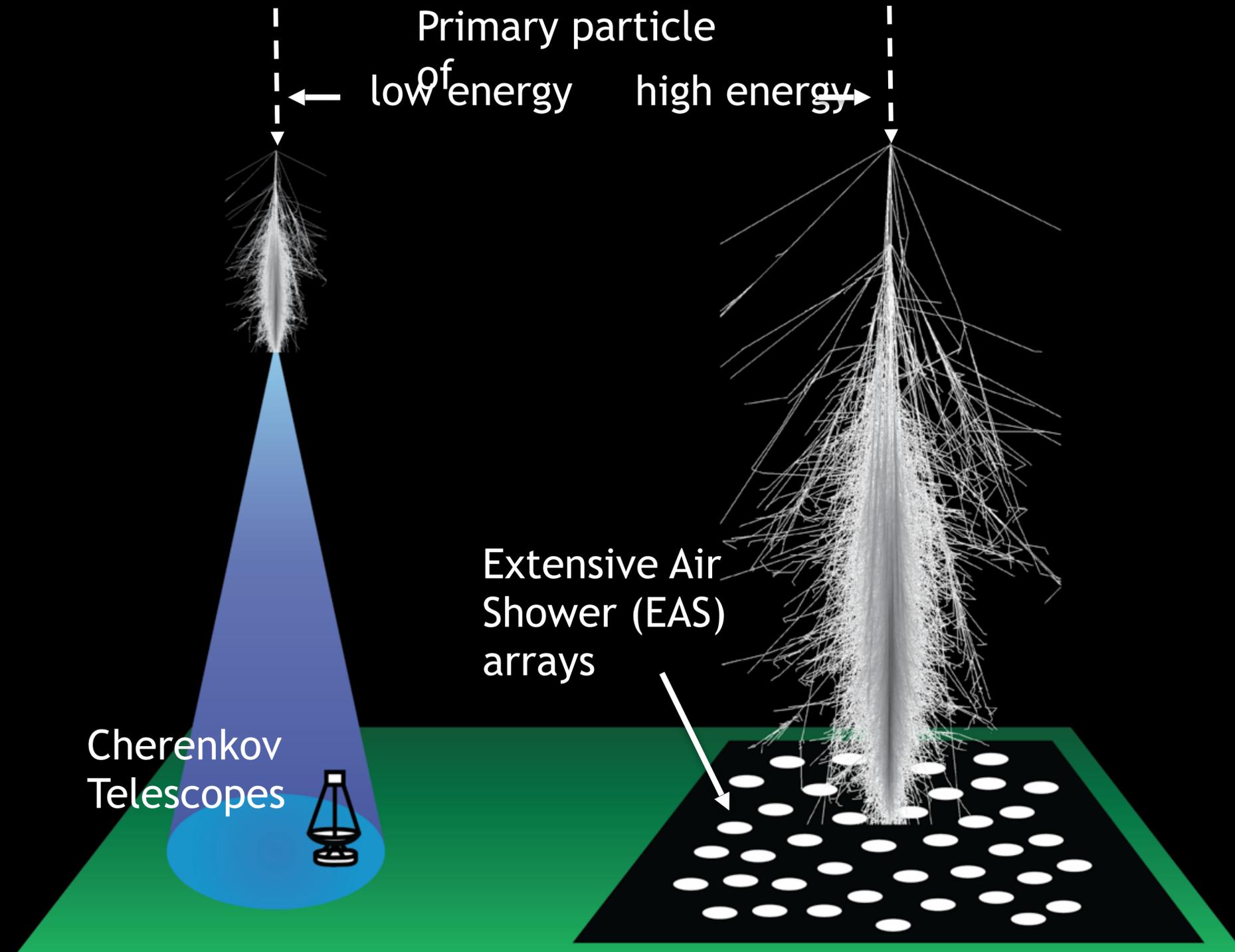
# Gamma-ray cascading down to $\sim 100$ GeV

**Em. Cascade of pair production and synchrotron radiation in external magnetic fields**



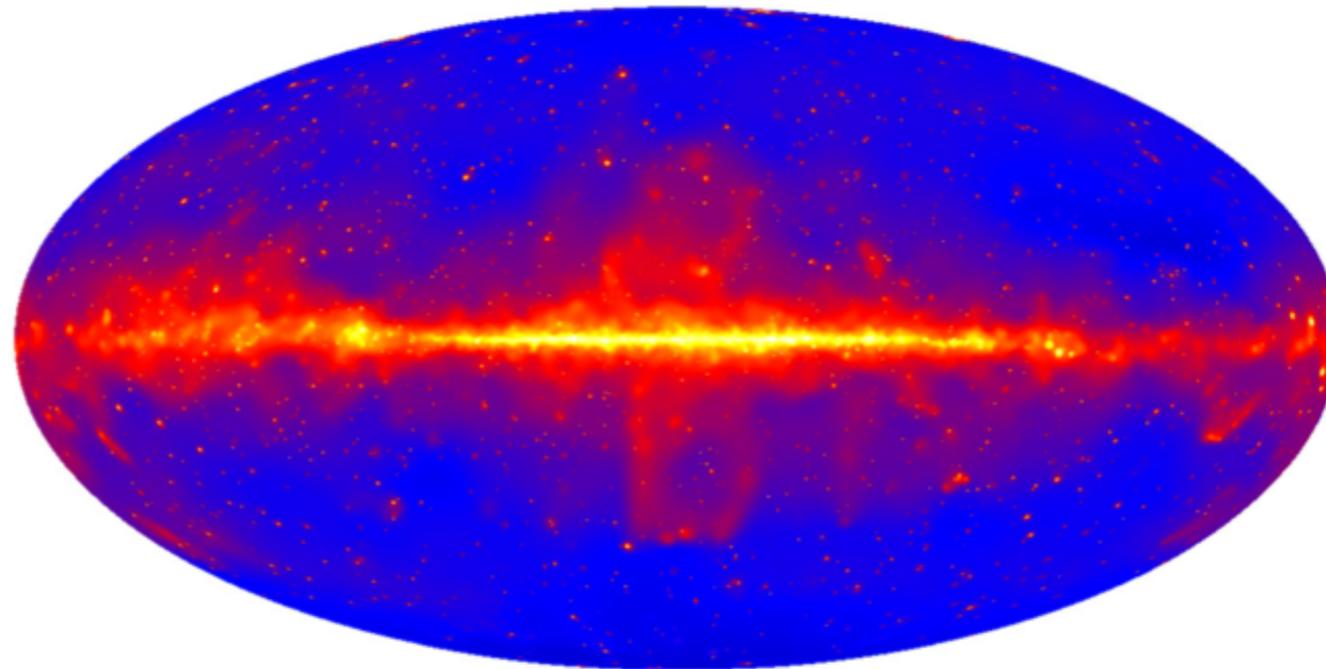
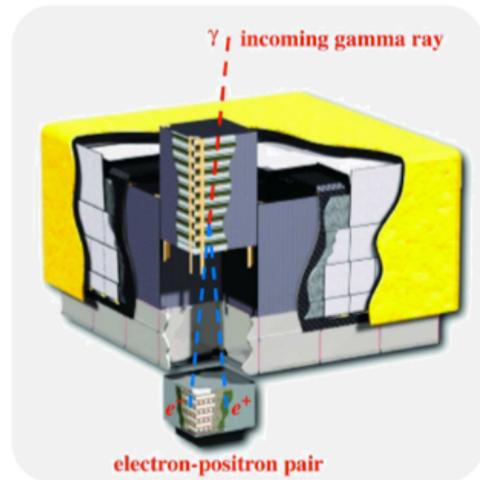
**Photons "pile up" at low energy**

# Detection methods



# Results: Examples of measurements

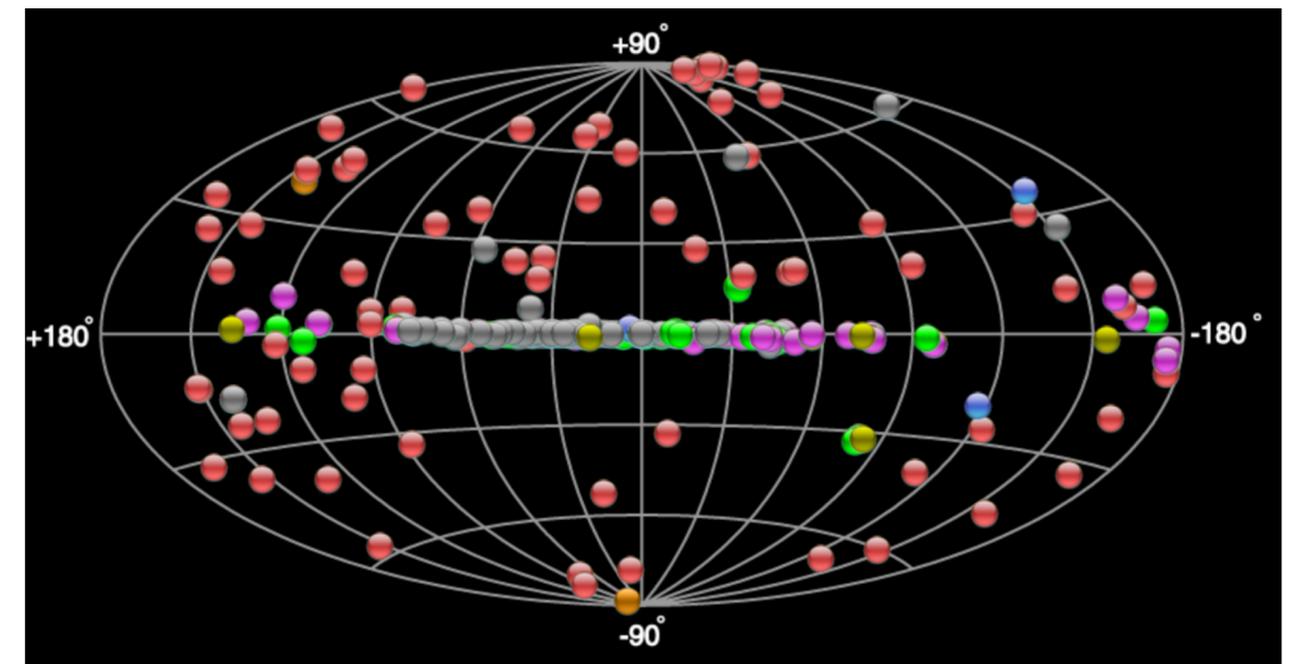
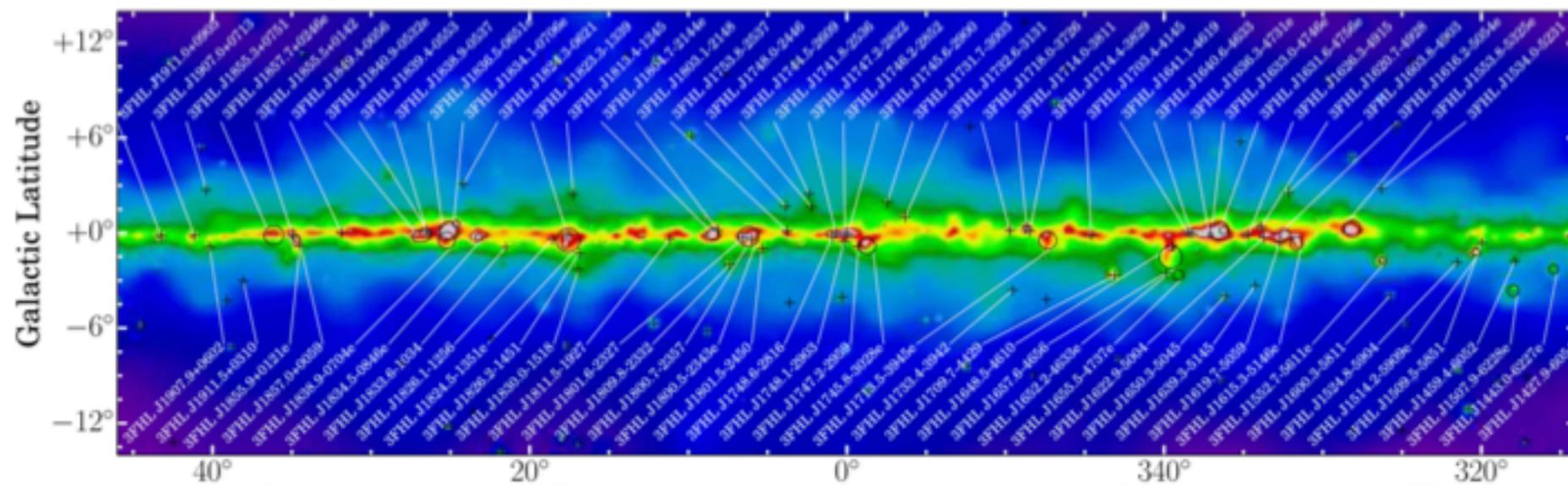
MAGIC telescopes



Fermi Large Area Telescope

Today: 210 sources in TeV catalog

3FHL: 1556 sources in catalog

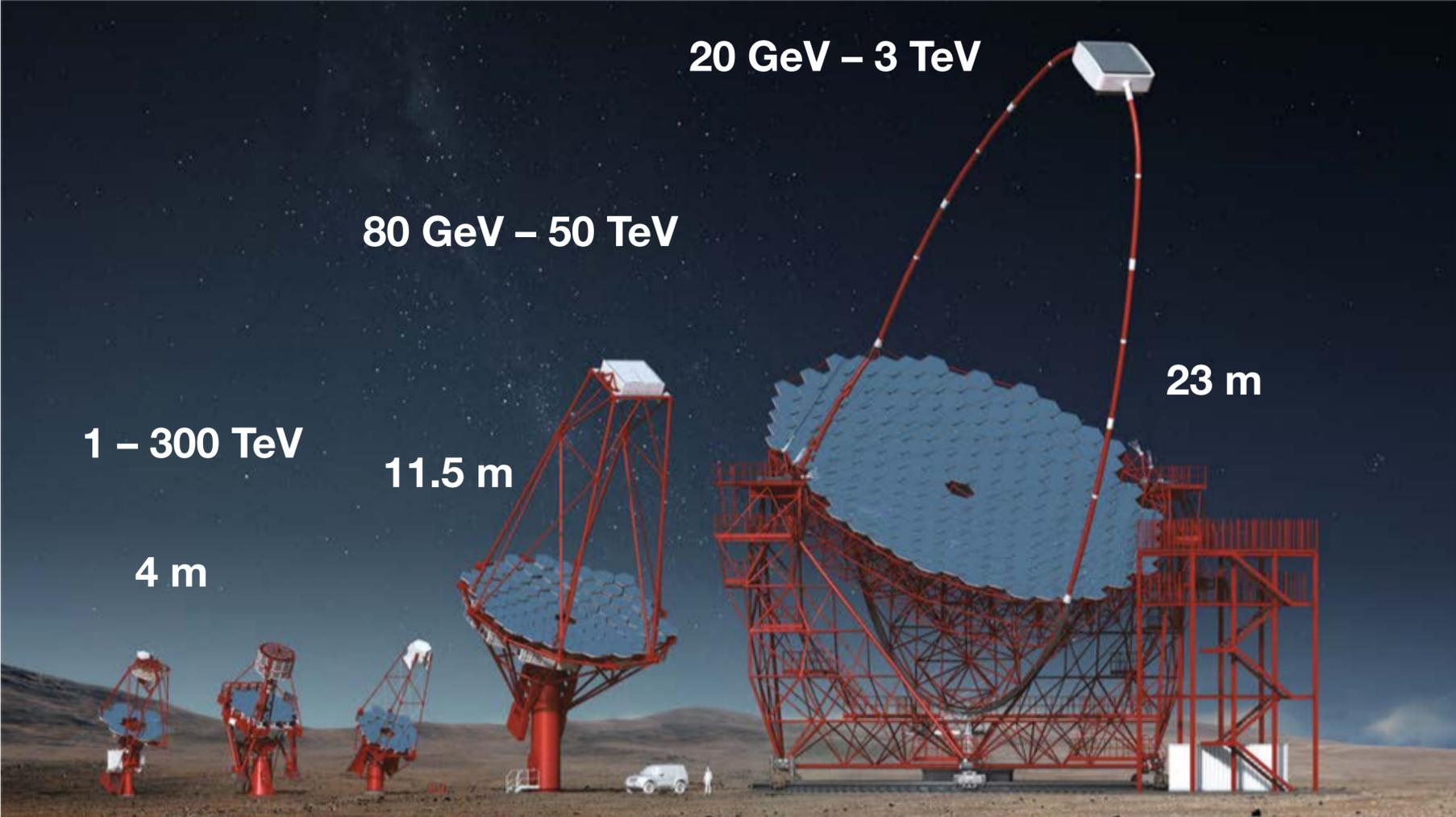




LHASO

- Built IACT
- Built Array
- Planned IACT
- Planned Array

# Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA)



**Northern site:**  
 - 4 LST  
 - 15 MST

**Southern site:**  
 - 4 LST  
 - 25 MST  
 - 70 SST



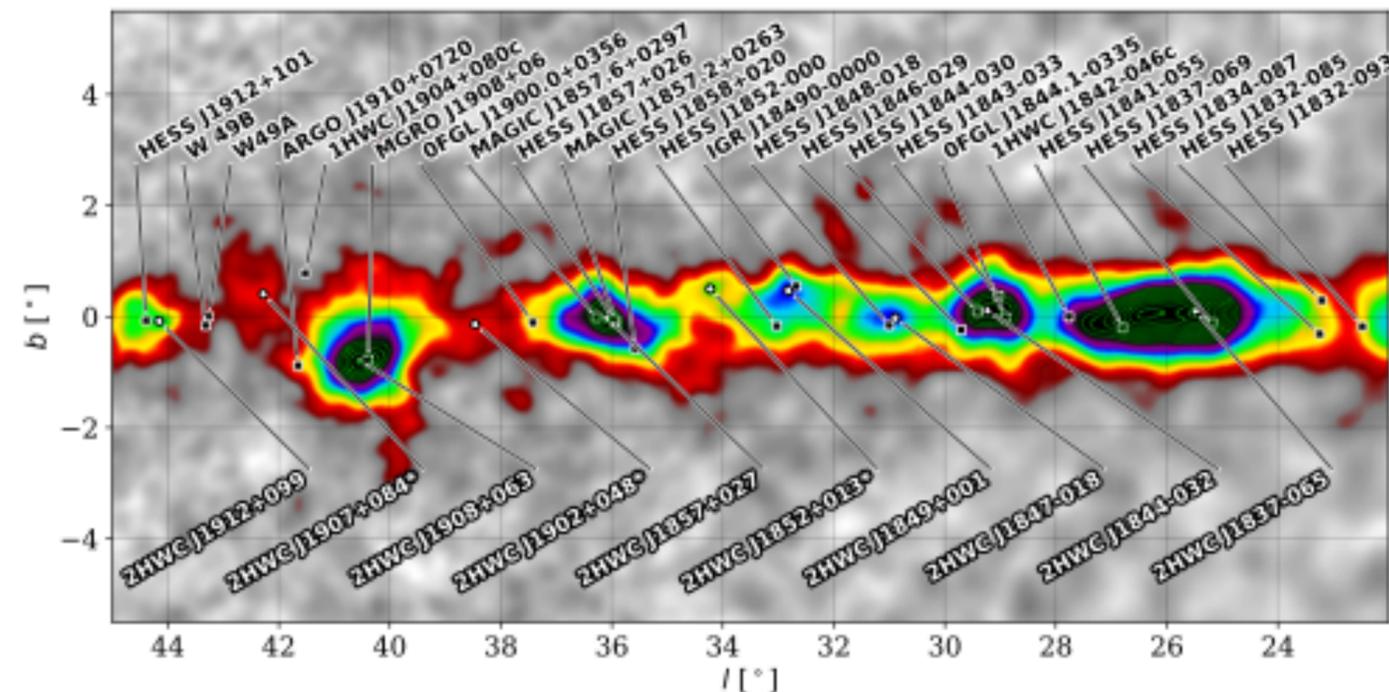
# HAWC, LHAASO, Southern Gamma-Ray Observatory



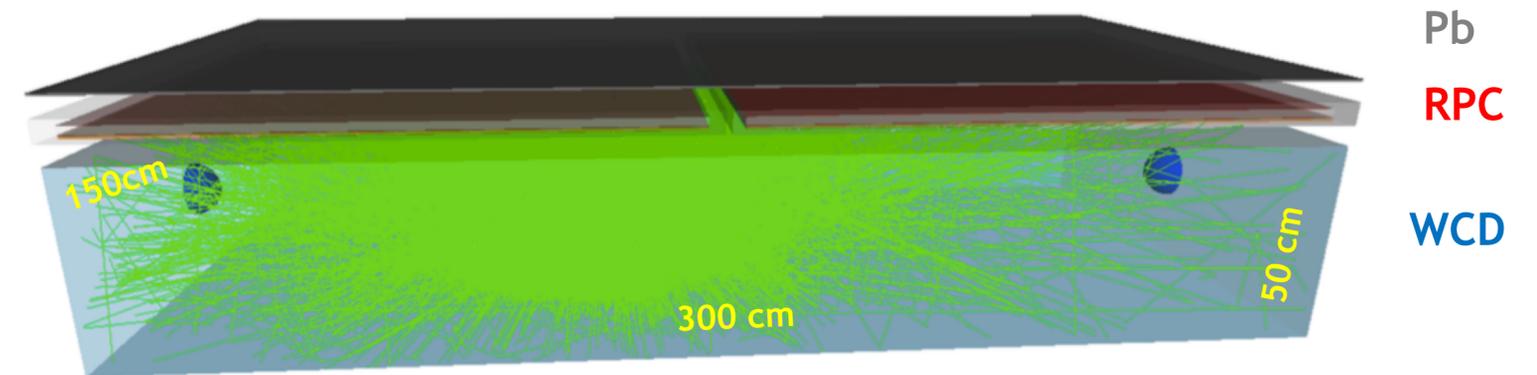
300 tanks,  
5m x 7m  
22 000 m<sup>2</sup>  
4100 m



**LHAASO in China (under construction)**



*2HWC  
catalog 2017*



**LATTES concept for southern observatory (LIP)**  
3600 stations (very compact)  
Total area ~20 000 m<sup>2</sup>

# Multi-messenger astrophysics with gravitational waves

Publication 16 Oct 2017 in ApJL  
 70 collaborations, 953 Institutes, 3500+ Autoren  
 Auger: limits on neutrinos (and photons)

**FIRST COSMIC EVENT OBSERVED IN GRAVITATIONAL WAVES AND LIGHT**  
 Colliding Neutron Stars Mark New Beginning of Discoveries

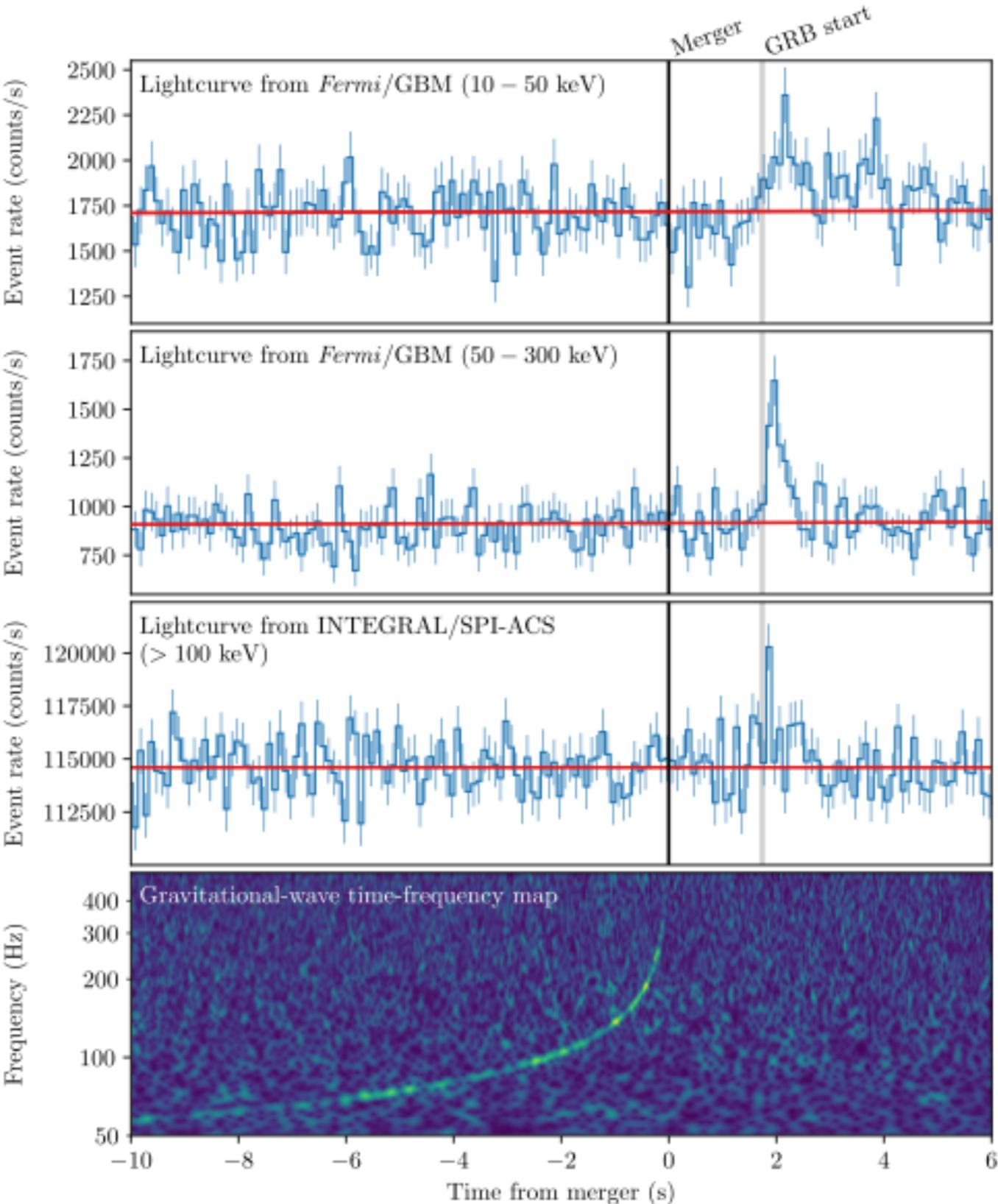
Collision creates light across the entire electromagnetic spectrum. Joint observations independently confirm Einstein's General Theory of Relativity, help measure the age of the Universe, and provide clues to the origins of heavy elements like gold and platinum

On August 17, 2017, 12:41 UTC, LIGO (US) and Virgo (Europe) detect gravitational waves from the merger of two neutron stars, each around 1.5 times the mass of our Sun. This is the first detection of spacetime ripples from neutron stars.

Within two seconds, NASA's Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope detects a short gamma-ray burst from a region of the sky overlapping the LIGO/Virgo position. Optical telescope observations pinpoint the origin of this signal to NGC 4993, a galaxy located 130 million light years distant.

Gravitational wave lasted over 100 seconds

LIGO Georgia Tech Center for Relativistic Astrophysics





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## Multi-messenger Observations of a Binary Neutron Star Merger

LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration, Fermi GBM, INTEGRAL, IceCube Collaboration, AstroSat Cadmium Zinc Telluride Imager Team, IPN Collaboration, The Insight-Hxmt Collaboration, ANTARES Collaboration, The Swift Collaboration, AGILE Team, The IM2H Team, The Dark Energy Camera GW-EM Collaboration and the DES Collaboration, The DLT40 Collaboration, GRAWITA: GRAVitational Wave Inaf TeAm, The Fermi Large Area Telescope Collaboration, ATCA: Australia Telescope Compact Array, ASKAP: Australian SKA Pathfinder, Las Cumbres Observatory Group, OzGrav, DWF (Deeper, Wider, Faster Program), AST3, and CAASTRO Collaborations, The VINROUGE Collaboration, MASTER Collaboration, J-GEM, GROWTH, JAGWAR, Caltech-NRAO, TTU-NRAO, and NuSTAR Collaborations, Pan-STARRS, The MAXI Team, TZAC Consortium, KU Collaboration, Nordic Optical Telescope, ePESSTO, GROND, Texas Tech University, SALT Group, TOROS: Transient Robotic Observatory of the South Collaboration, The BOOTES Collaboration, MWA: Murchison Widefield Array, The CALET Collaboration, IKI-GW Follow-up Collaboration, H.E.S.S. Collaboration, LOFAR Collaboration, LWA: Long Wavelength Array, HAWC Collaboration, The Pierre Auger Collaboration, ALMA Collaboration, Euro VLBI Team, Pi of the Sky Collaboration, The Chandra Team at McGill University, DFN: Desert Fireball Network, ATLAS, High Time Resolution Universe Survey, RIMAS and RATIR, and SKA South Africa/MeerKAT  
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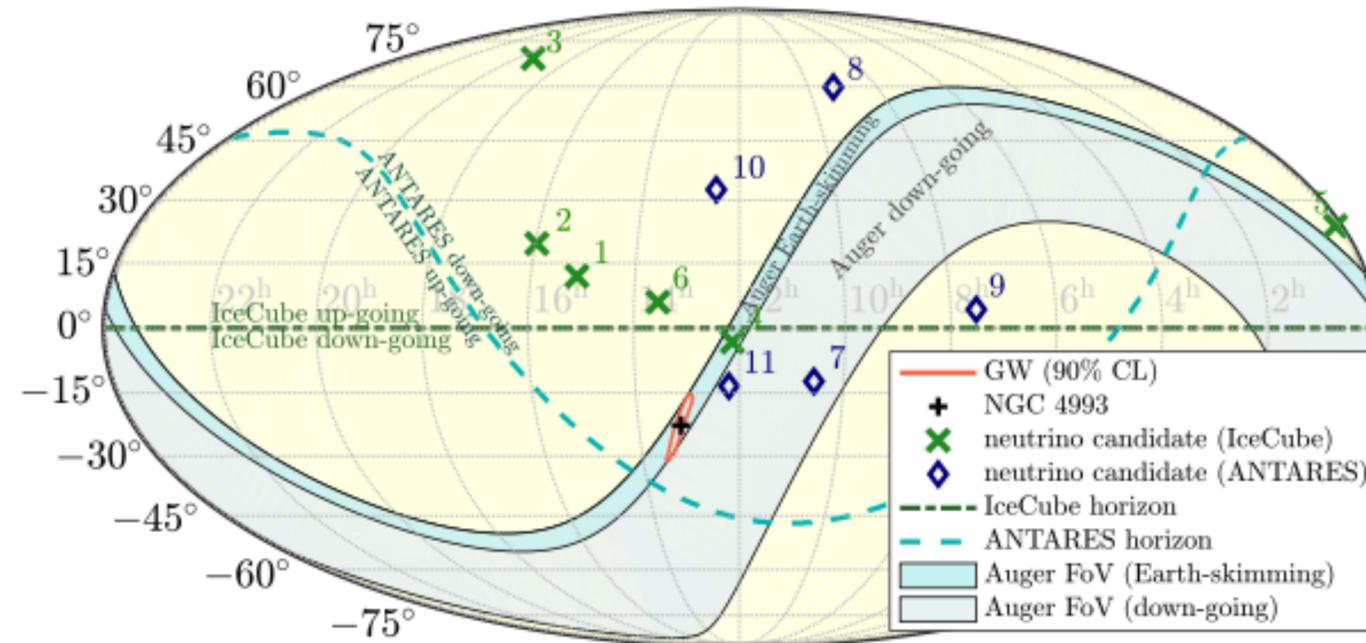
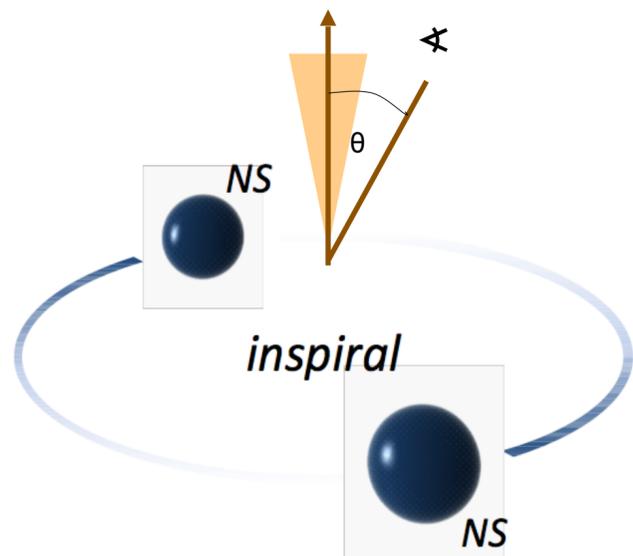
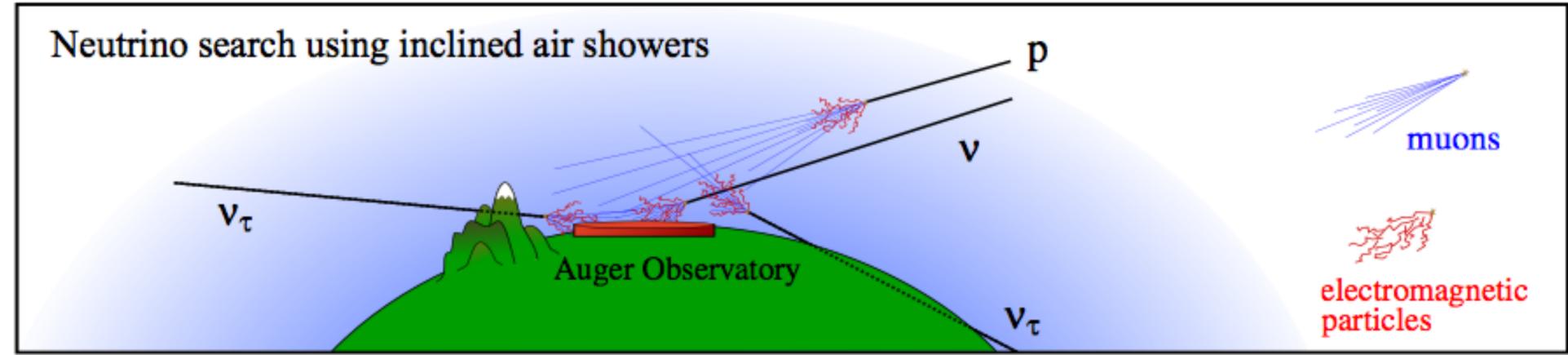
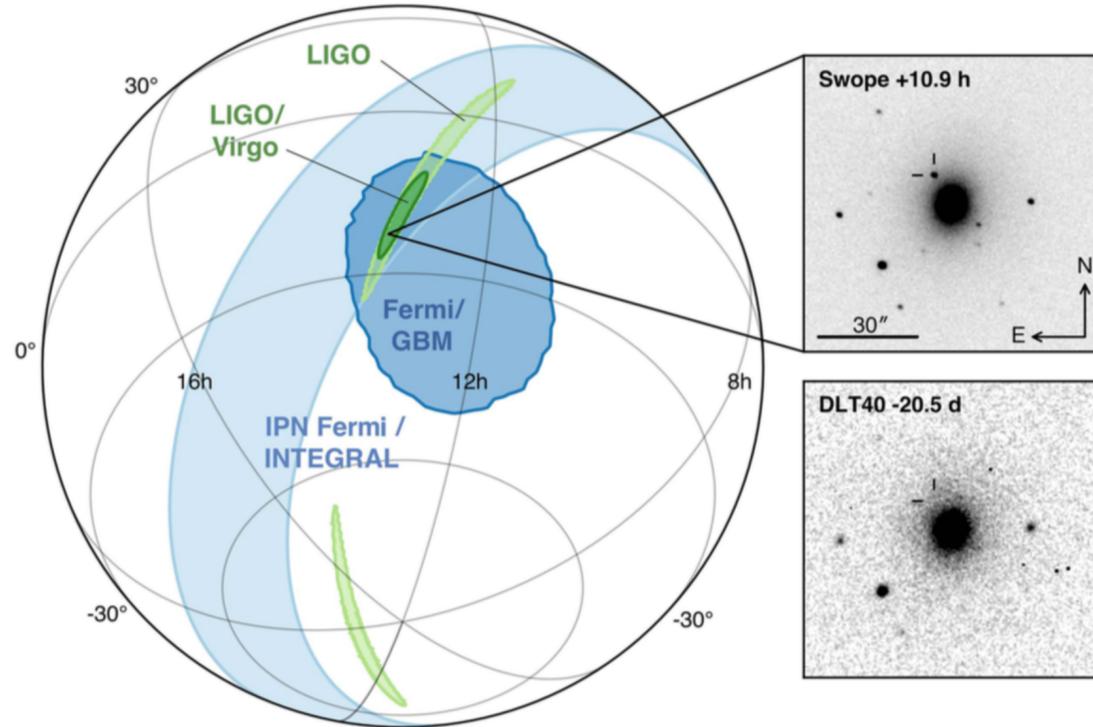
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### Abstract

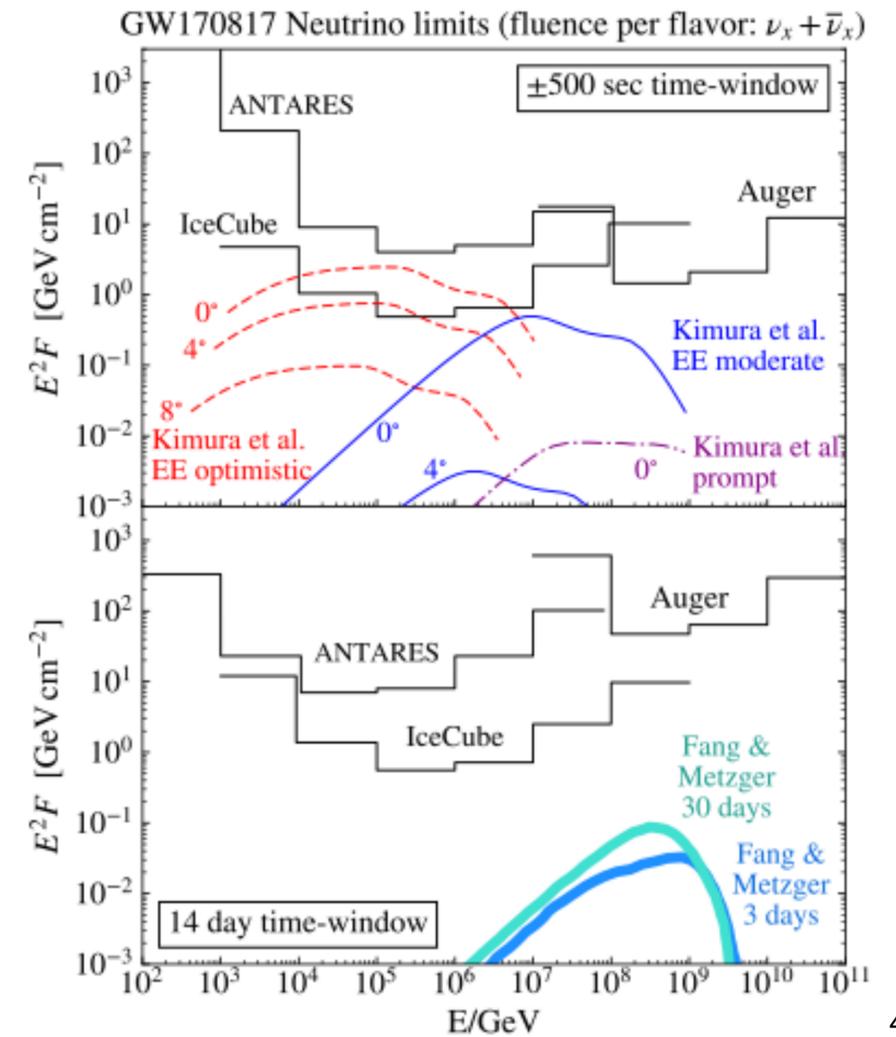
On 2017 August 17 a binary neutron star coalescence candidate (later designated GW170817) with merger time 12:41:04 UTC was observed through gravitational waves by the Advanced LIGO and Advanced Virgo detectors. The *Fermi* Gamma-ray Burst Monitor independently detected a gamma-ray burst (GRB 170817A) with a time delay of  $\sim 1.7$  s with respect to the merger time. From the gravitational-wave signal, the source was initially localized to a sky region of  $31 \text{ deg}^2$  at a luminosity distance of  $40_{-8}^{+8}$  Mpc and with component masses consistent with neutron stars. The component masses were later measured to be in the range  $0.86$  to  $2.26 M_{\odot}$ . An extensive observing campaign was launched across the electromagnetic spectrum leading to the discovery of a bright optical transient (SSS17a, now with



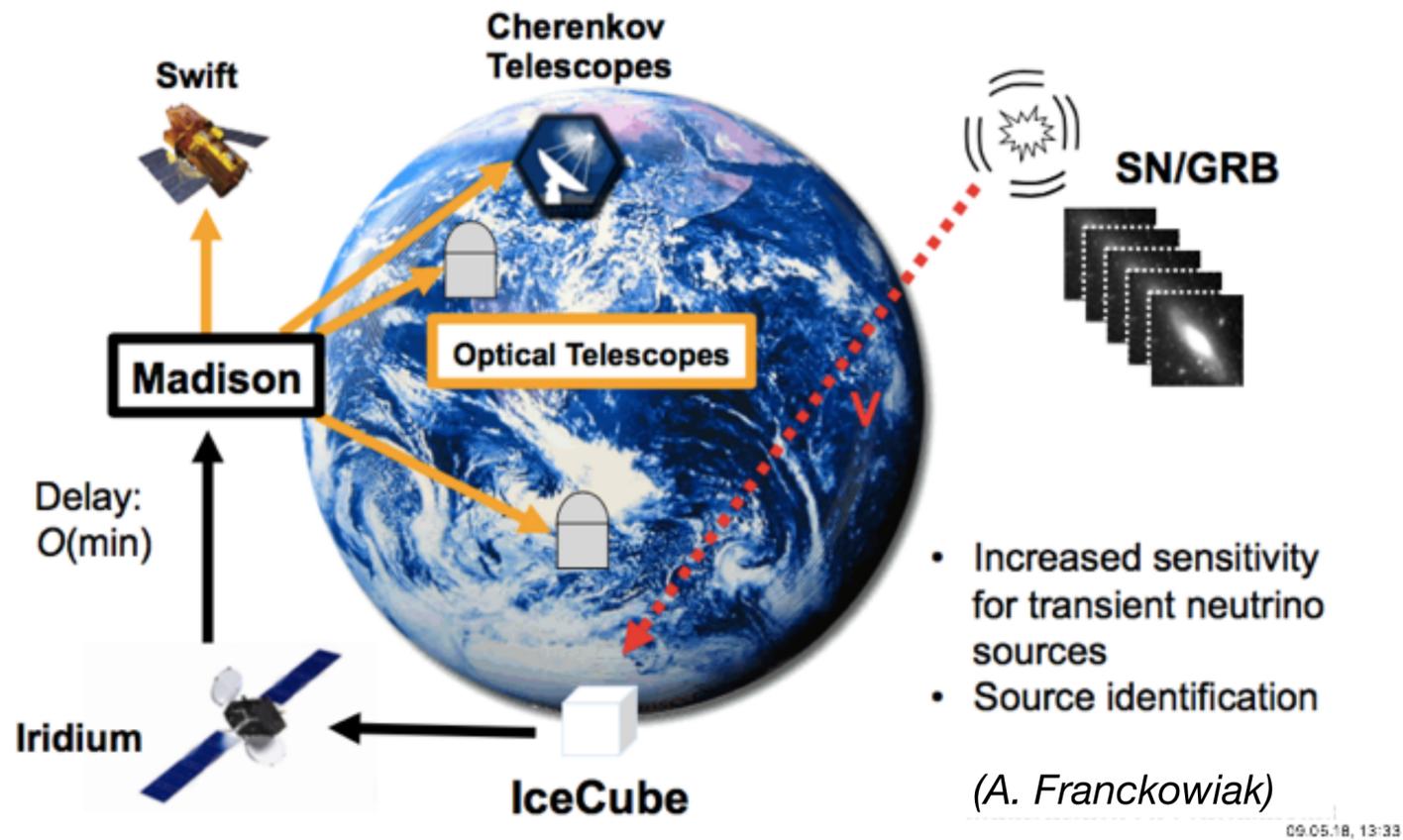
# GW170817: Neutrino flux limits by Auger Observatory



Data of all relevant detectors, including Auger



# First source of astrophysical neutrinos at high energy?



TITLE: GCN CIRCULAR  
 NUMBER: 21916  
 SUBJECT: IceCube-170922A - IceCube observation of a high-energy neutrino candidate event  
 DATE: 17/09/23 01:09:26 GMT  
 FROM: Erik Blaufuss at U. Maryland/IceCube <blaufuss@icecube.umd.edu>

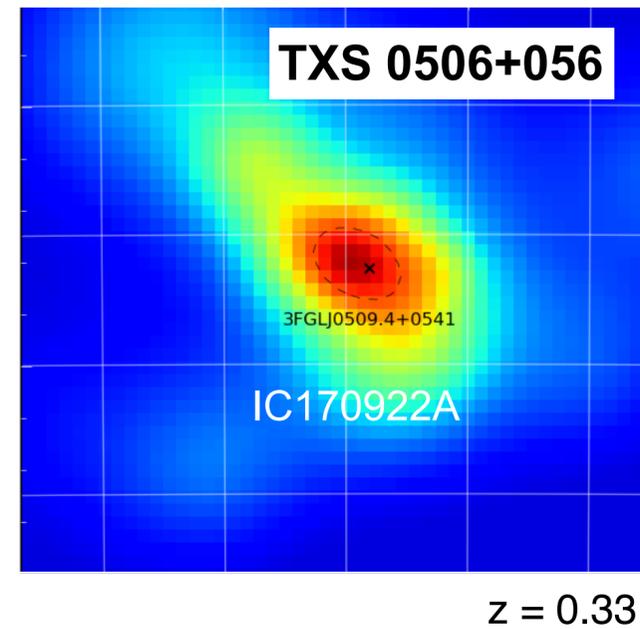
Claudio Kopper (University of Alberta) and Erik Blaufuss (University of Maryland) report on behalf of the IceCube Collaboration (<http://icecube.wisc.edu/>).

On 22 Sep, 2017 IceCube detected a track-like, very-high-energy event with a high probability of being of astrophysical origin. The event was identified by the Extremely High Energy (EHE) track event selection. The IceCube detector was in a normal operating state. EHE events typically have a neutrino interaction vertex that is outside the detector, produce a muon that traverses the detector volume, and have a high light level (a proxy for energy).

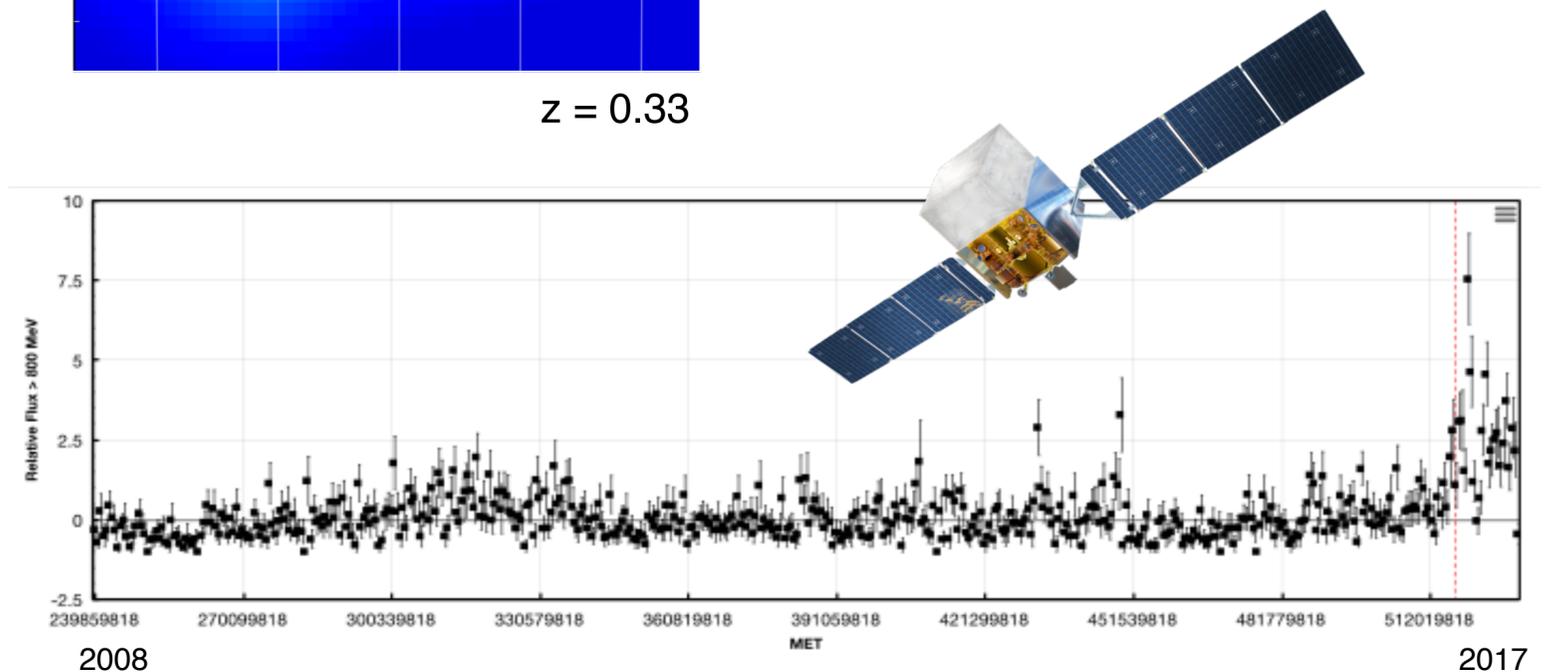
After the initial automated alert ([https://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/notices\\_amon/50579430\\_130033.amon](https://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/notices_amon/50579430_130033.amon)), more sophisticated reconstruction algorithms have been applied offline, with the direction refined to:

Date: 22 Sep, 2017  
 Time: 20:54:30.43 UTC  
 RA: 77.43 deg (-0.80 deg/+1.30 deg 90% PSF containment) J2000  
 Dec: 5.72 deg (-0.40 deg/+0.70 deg 90% PSF containment) J2000

We encourage follow-up by ground and space-based instruments to help identify a possible astrophysical source for the candidate neutrino.



MAGIC: flare  $E > 100 \text{ GeV}$



FERMI: flare (found 6 days later)

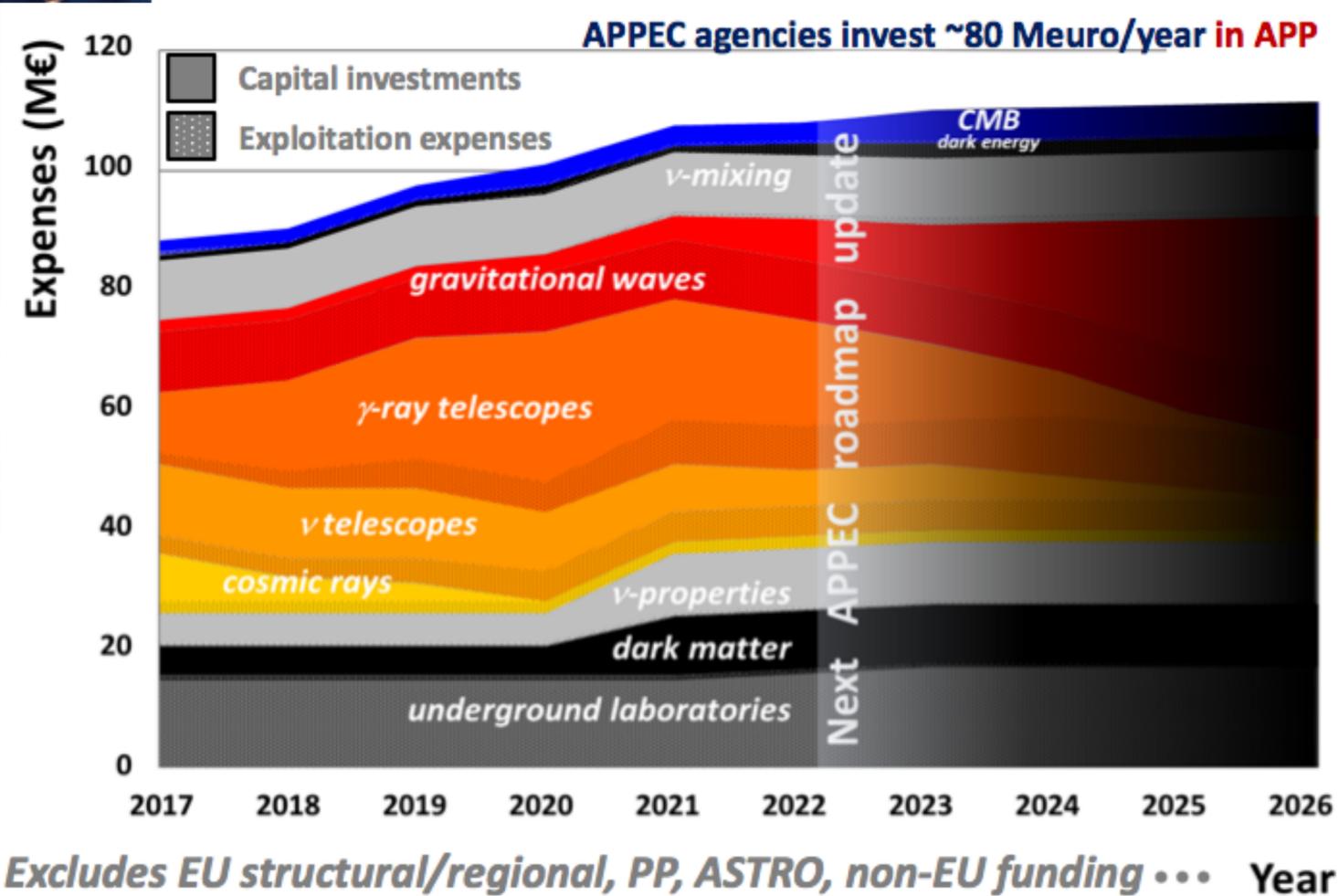
IceCube 1709922A, publications in preparation

# APPEC Roadmap for Astroparticle Physics

APPEC – AstroParticle Physics European Consortium



Roadmap, Brussels, Jan 2018



Very rapid progress in understanding  
Largely driven by observations

Actively observed messengers

- Cosmic rays
- Gamma rays
- Neutrinos
- Gravitational waves

Multi-messenger physics of  
transient phenomena is the next step

Powerful detectors for all messenger  
particle needed to optimally use  
scientific and financial investment