

# Counterparts of Neutrinos

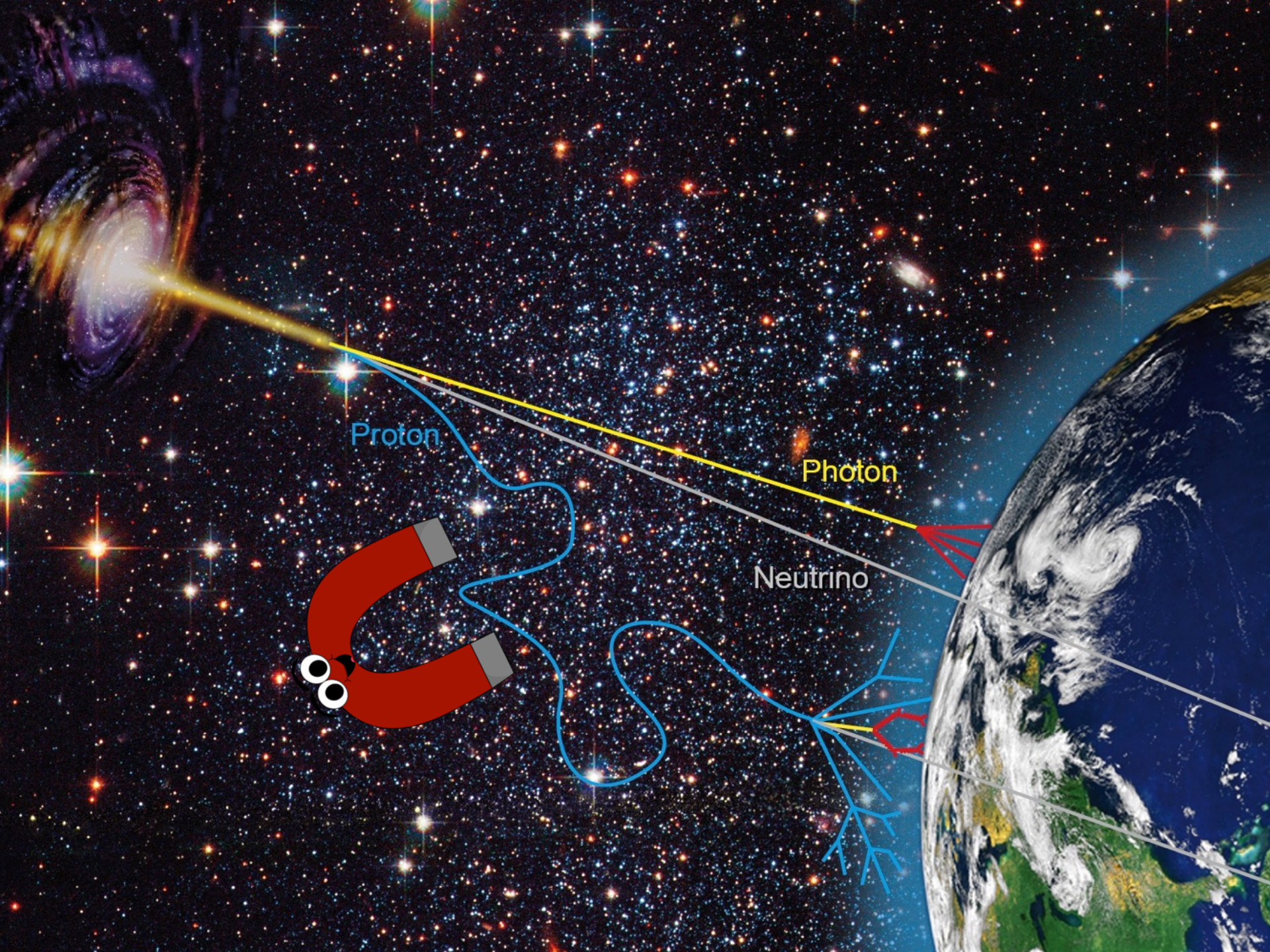


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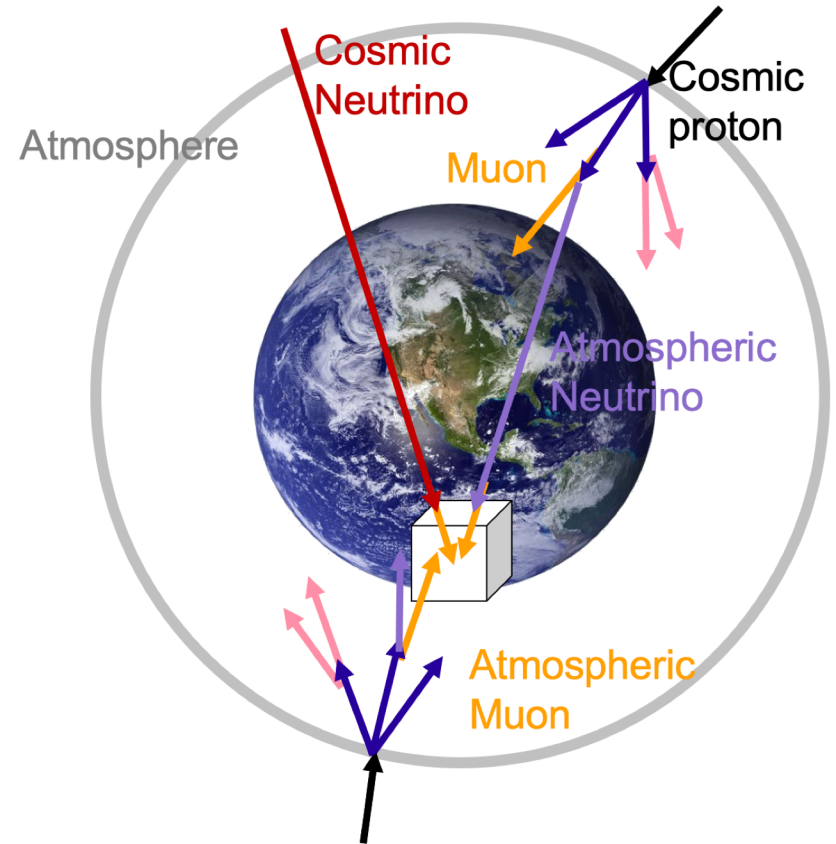
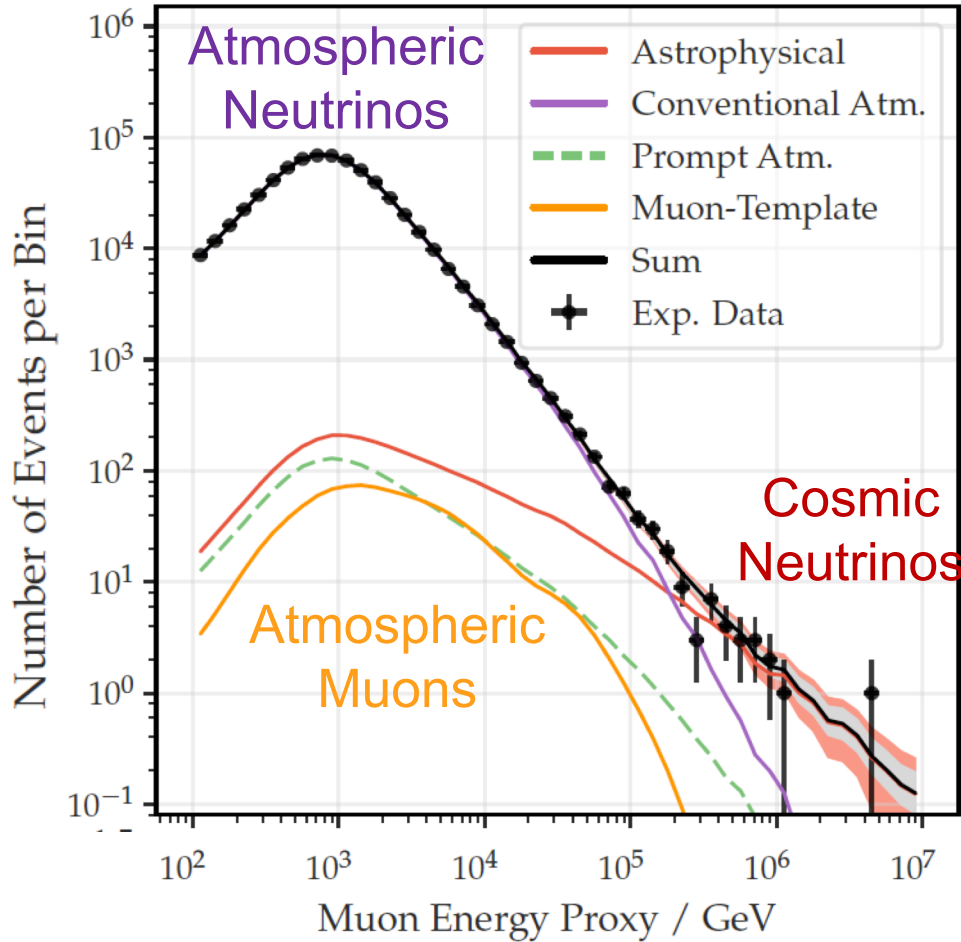
Proton

Photon

Neutrino

# Diffuse Flux discovered!

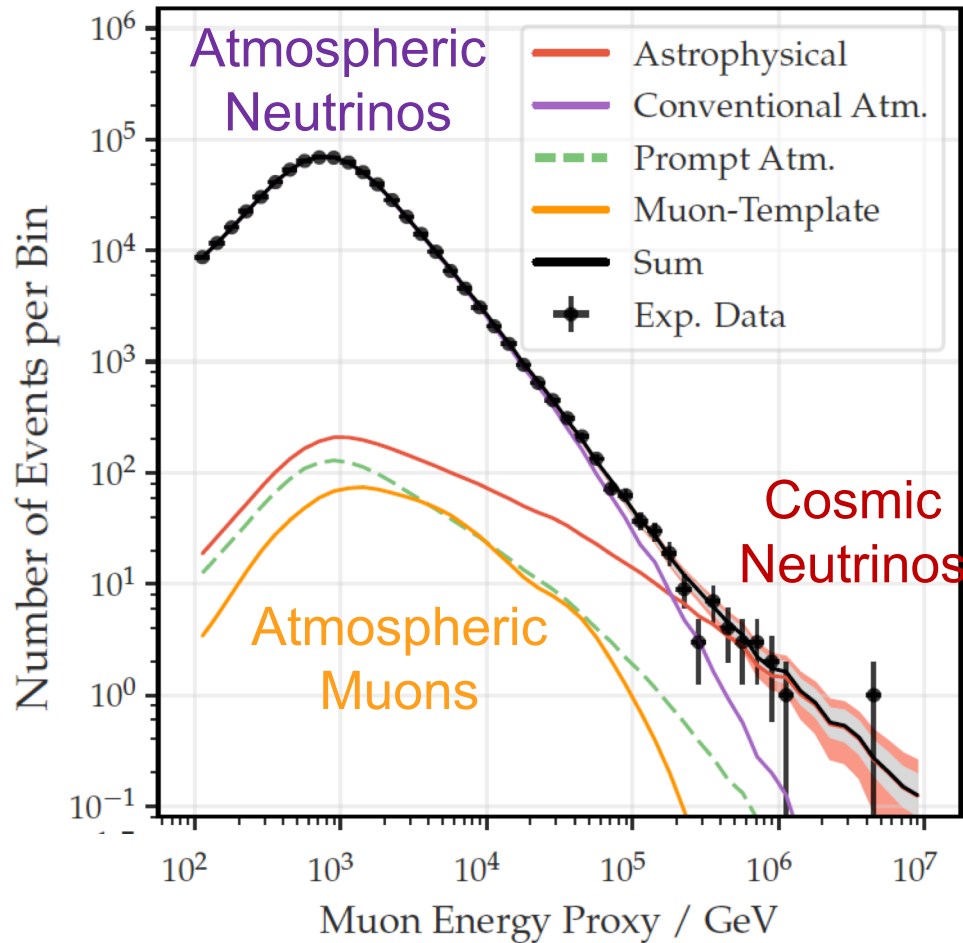
## Northern Sky



# Where do the neutrinos come from?

# Three Strategies

## Northern Sky



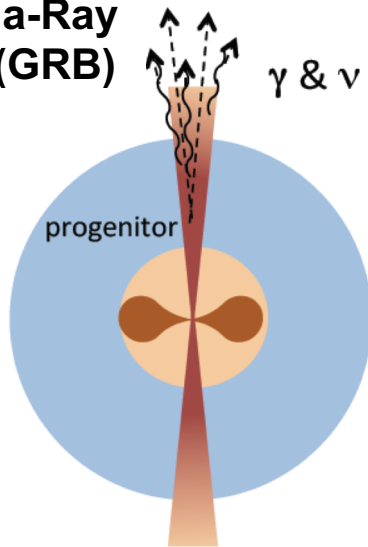
1. Look for hotspots in the neutrino sky → identify source candidates
2. Start from EM source catalog → look for neutrinos from source population (“stacking”)
3. Focus on high-energy neutrinos with high signal probability → look for EM counterparts

# Main Challenges

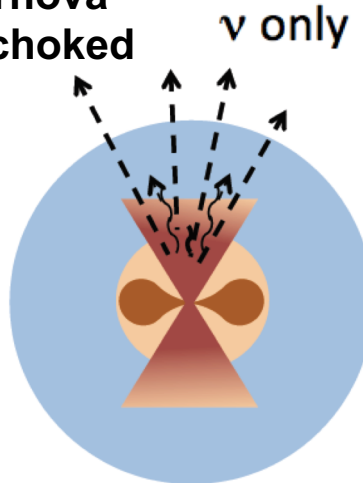
- Neutrino angular resolution poor compared to EM instruments
- Large background of atmospheric events
- **We don't know what to look for (many possible source candidates)**

# Source Candidates

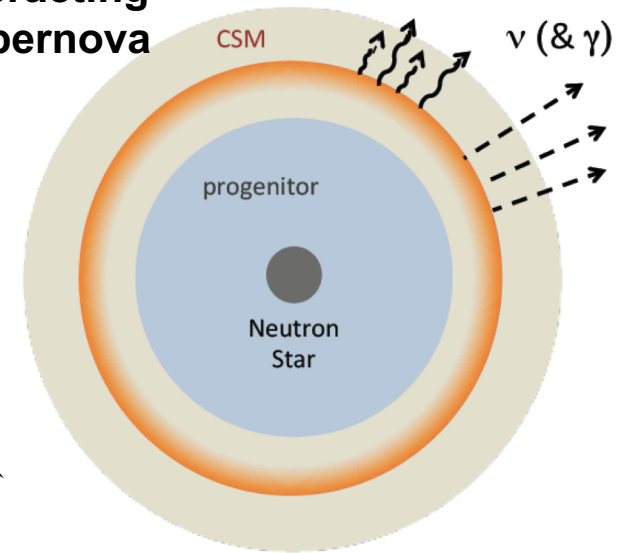
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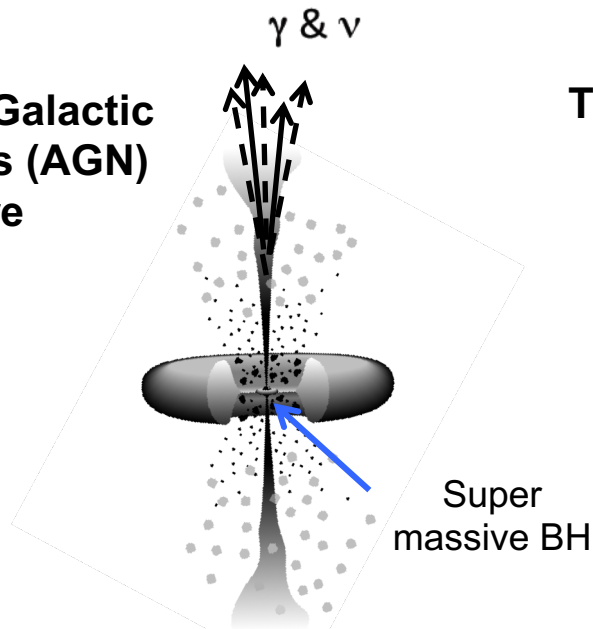
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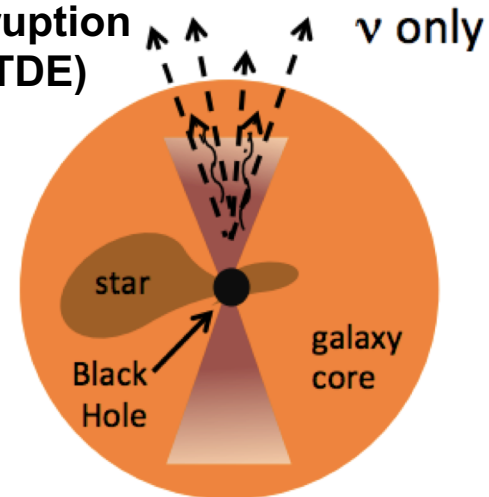
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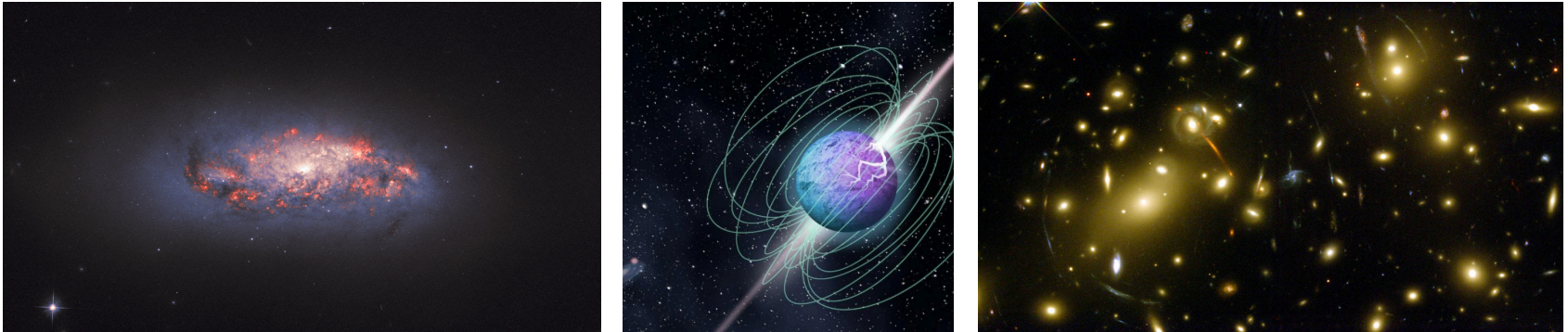


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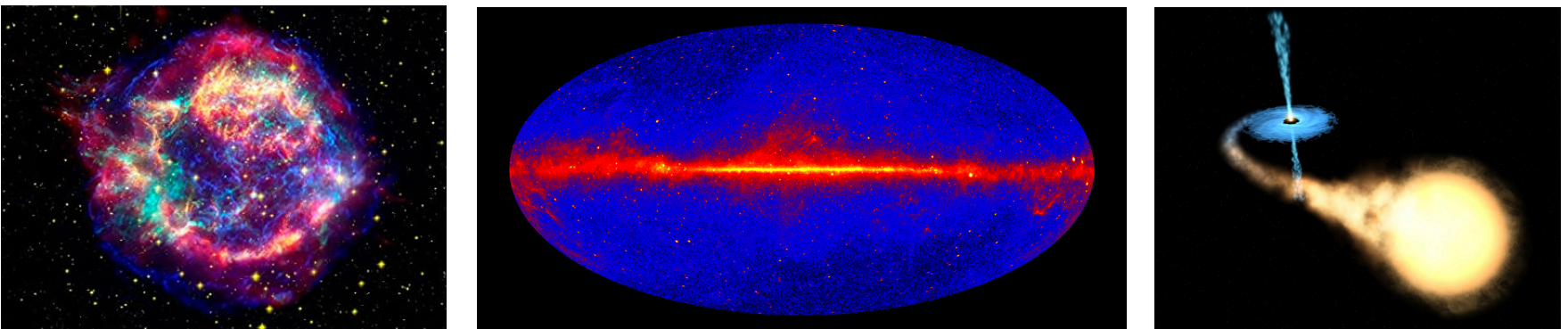


# Source Candidates (continued)

**Extragalactic:** Starforming galaxies, galaxy clusters, FRBs ...

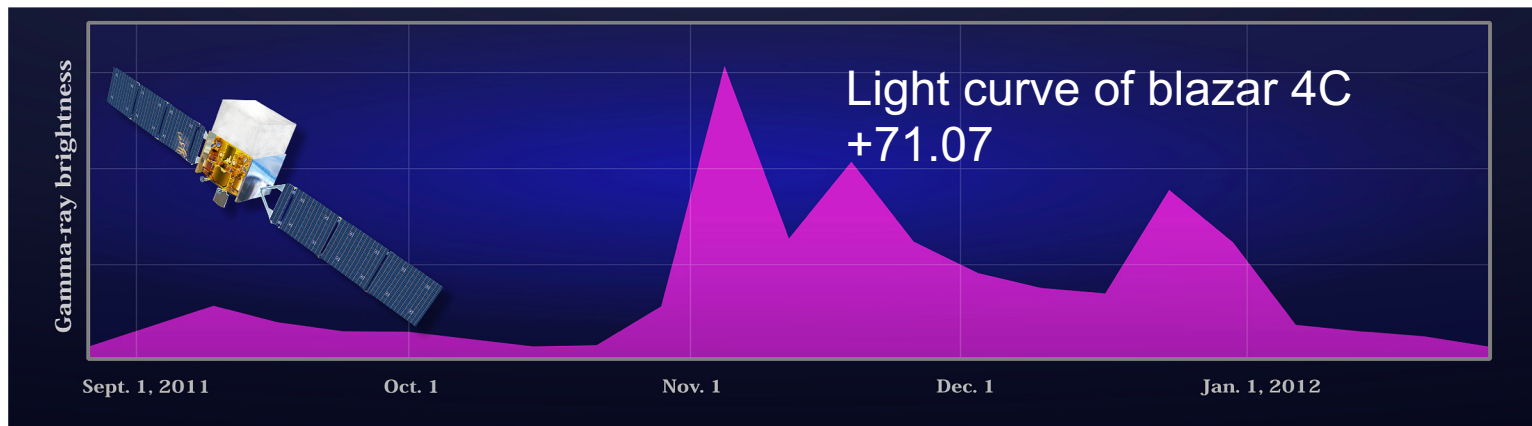
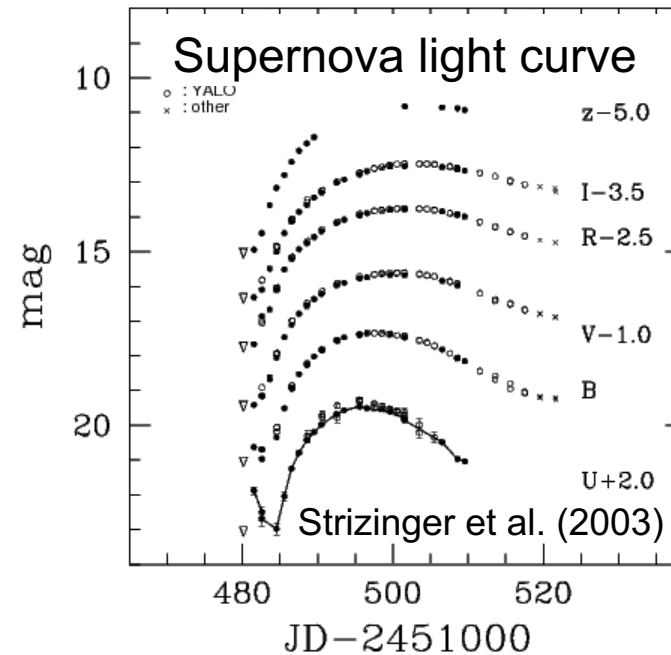
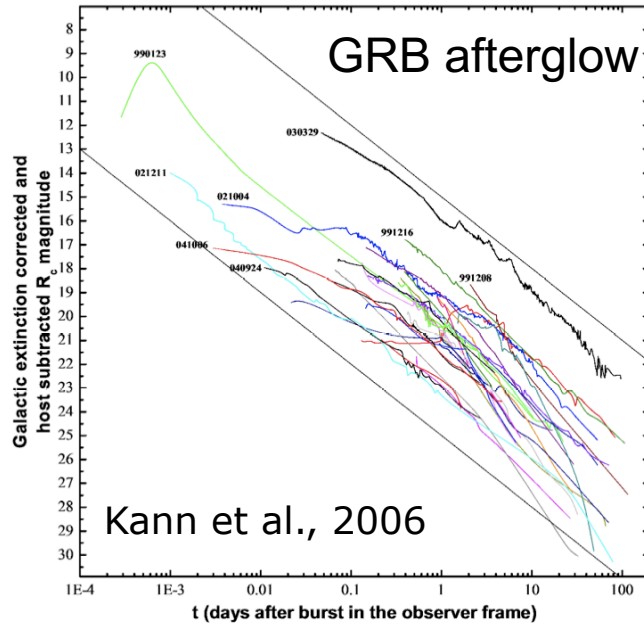


**Galactic sources:** SNR, PWN, Binaries, Novae, Galactic plane ...



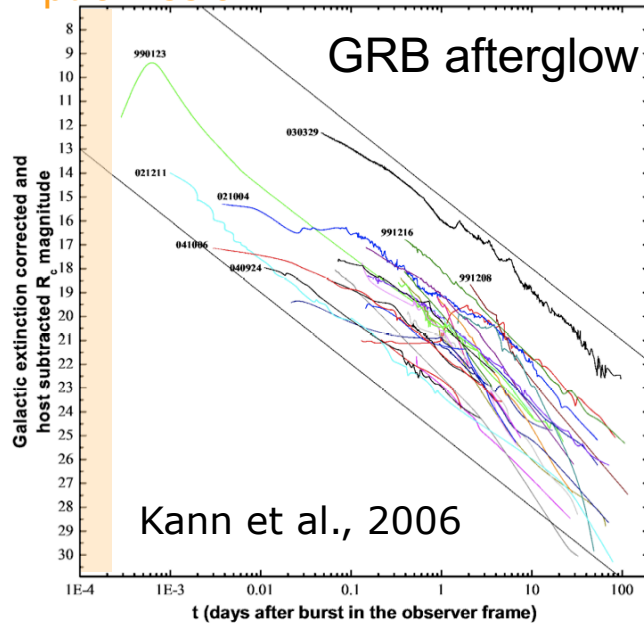


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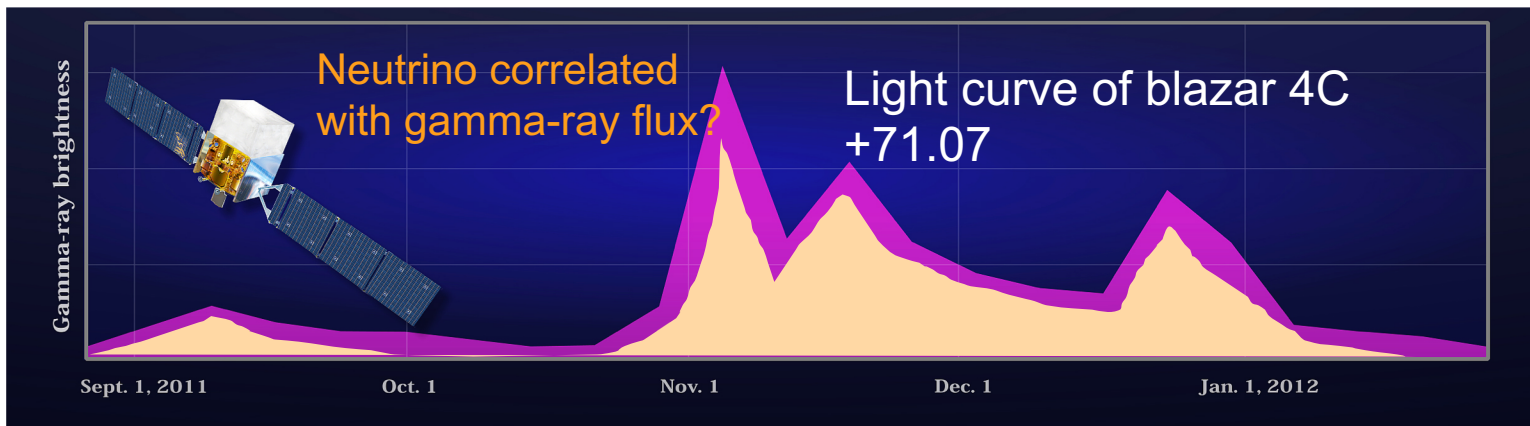
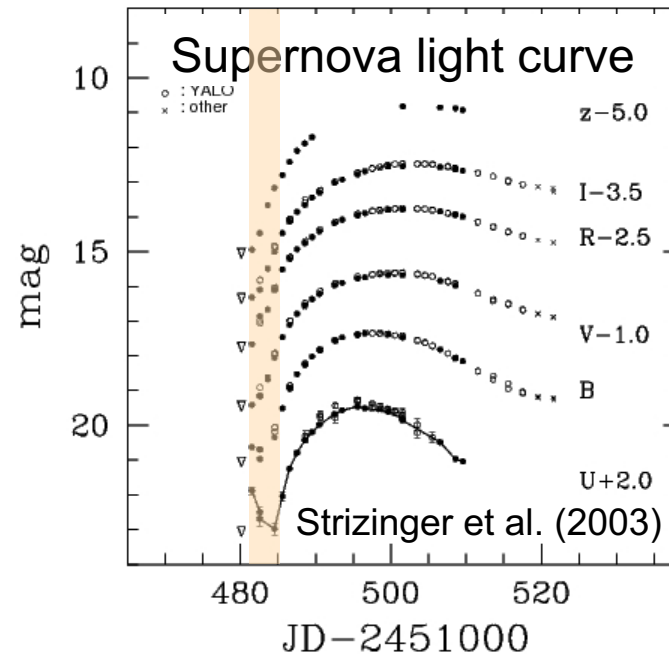


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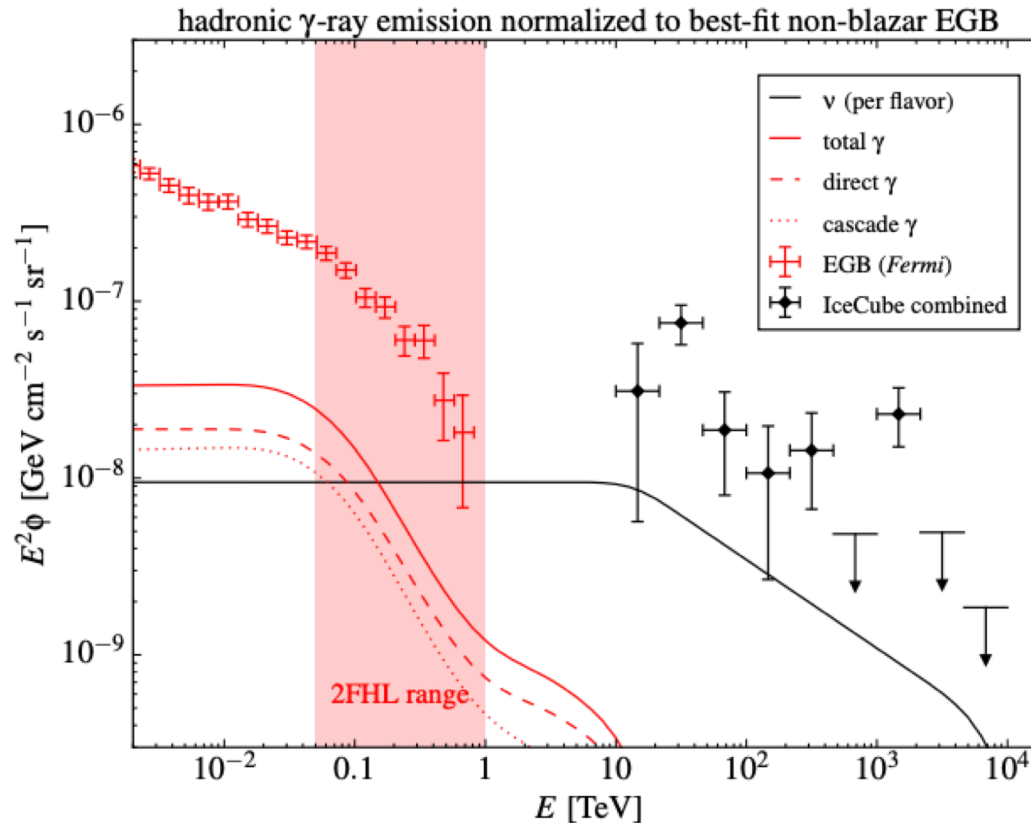
Neutrino coincident with prompt emission?



Neutrino coincident start of explosion?



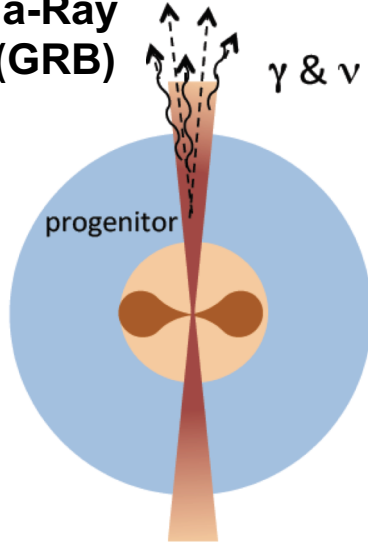
# Gamma-ray emitters are obvious candidates, but ...



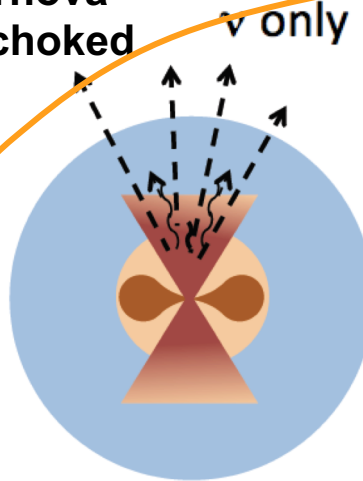
... in order not to overshoot the measured gamma-ray background a majority of the neutrino sources has to be dark in GeV gamma rays (“hidden sources”)

# Selection of Source Candidates

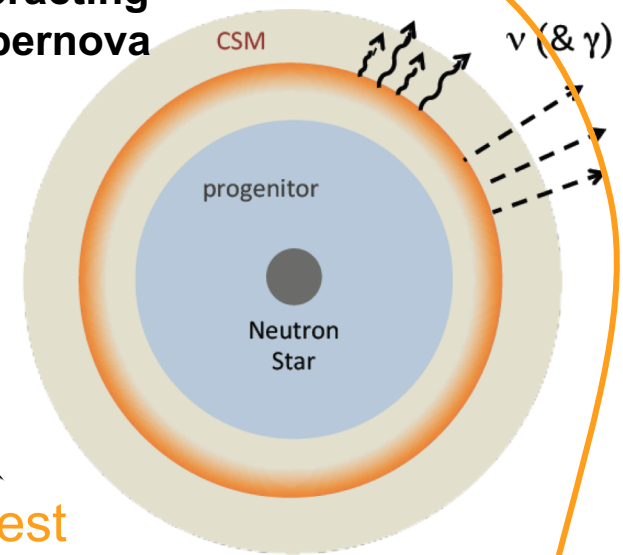
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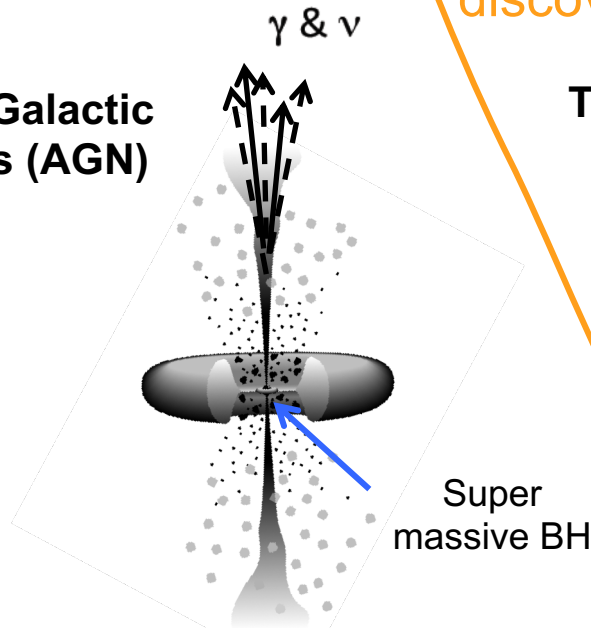


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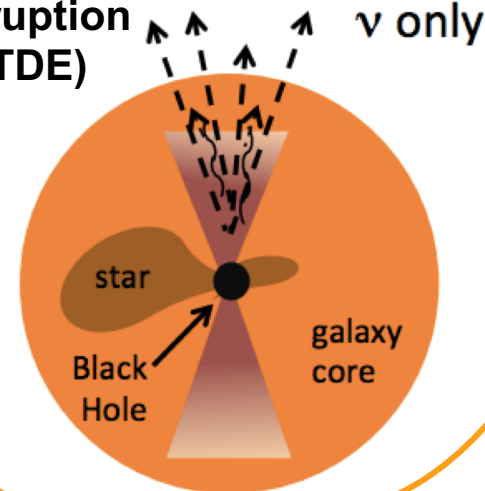


“hidden“ sources, best discovered in the optical

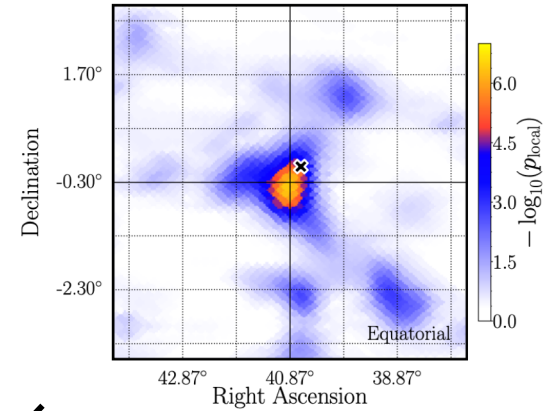
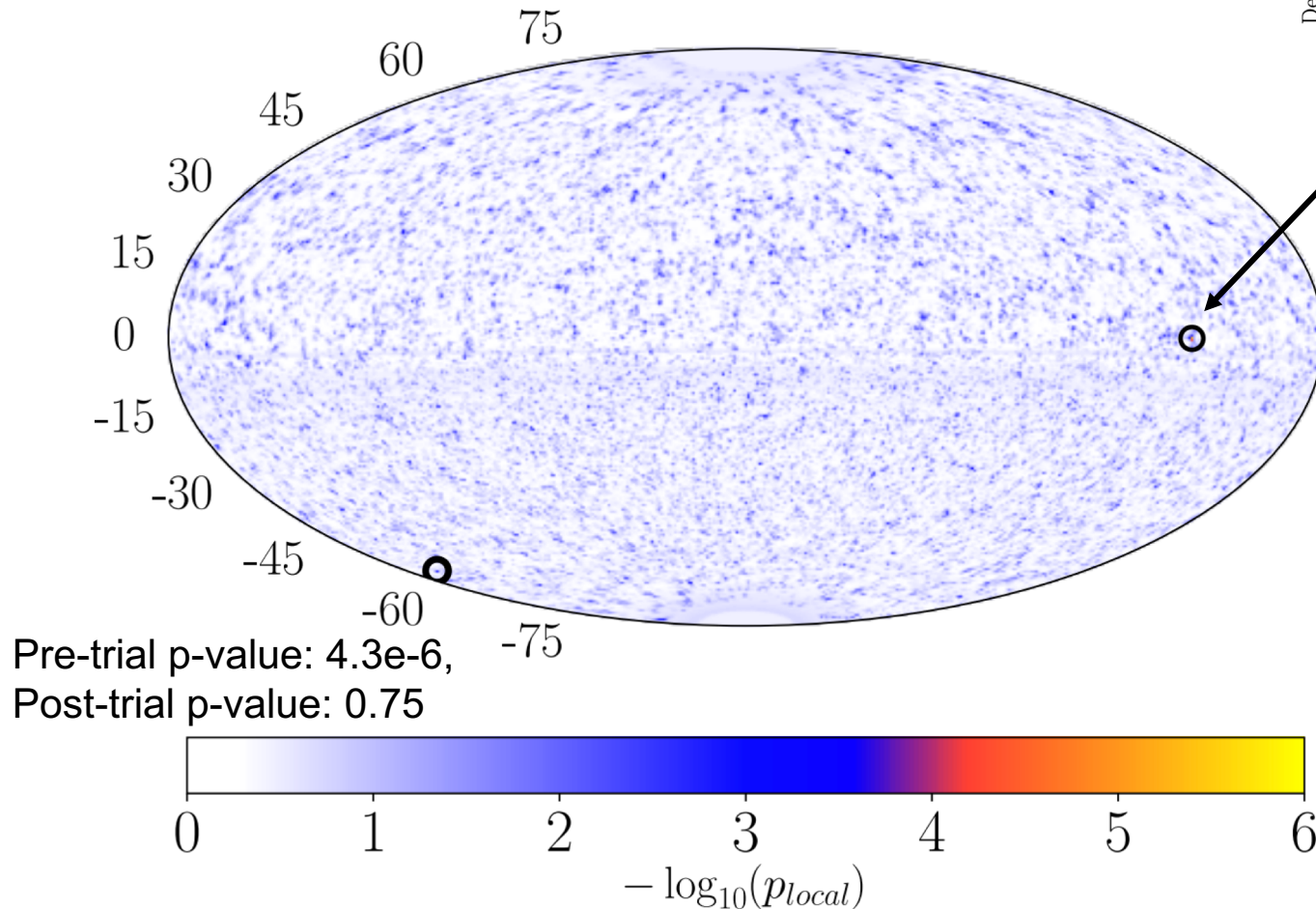
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# Hotspot Search



Pre-trial p-value:  $3.5e-7$ ,  
Post-trial p-value:  $9.9e-2$

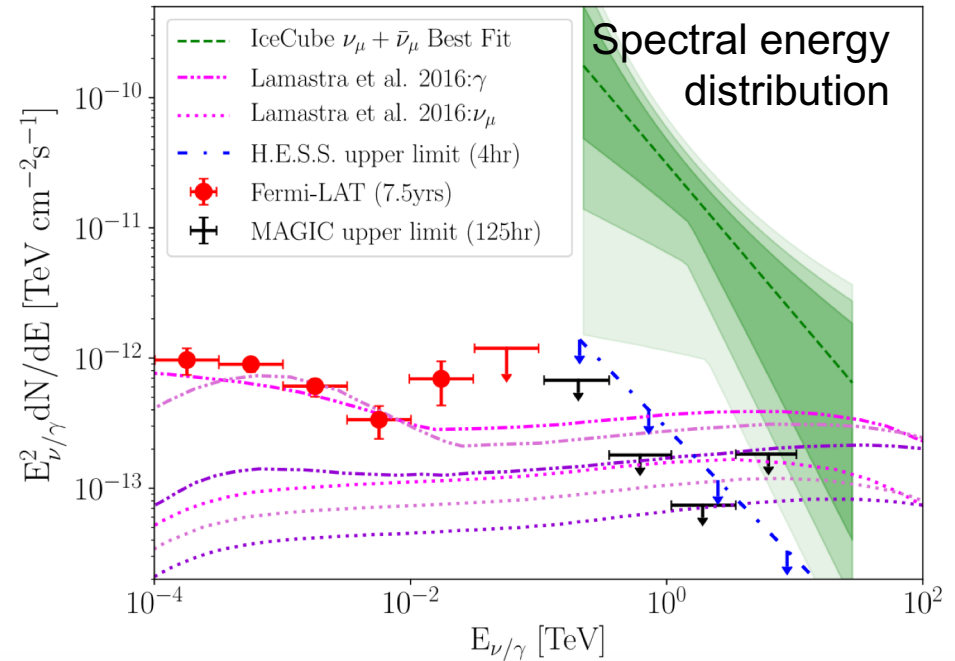
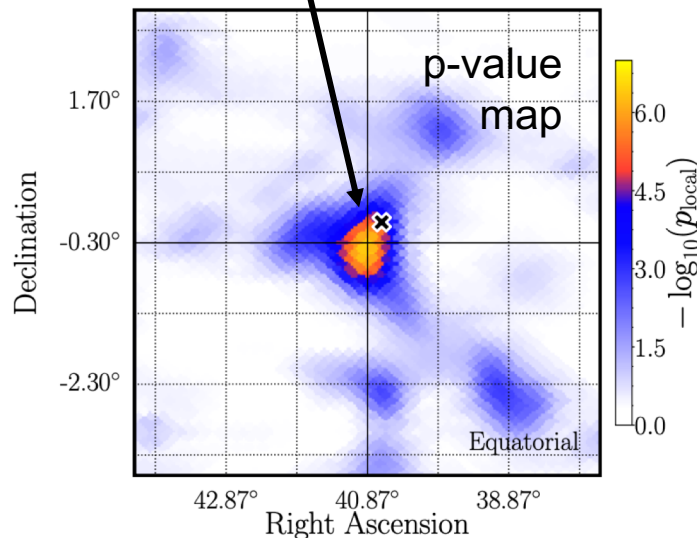
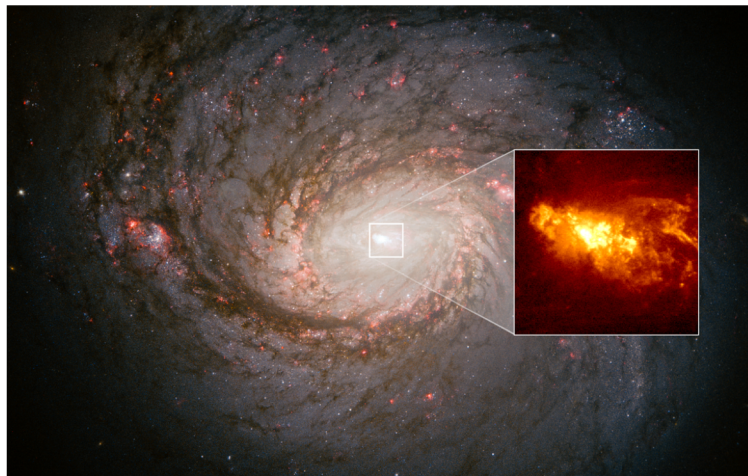
# Search for neutrinos from pre-defined source list

- 110 sources based on **gamma-ray properties** and weighted with neutrino search sensitivity
  - **Starburst galaxies** detected by Fermi-LAT: 8 sources
  - Brightest Fermi-LAT **blazars** (above 1 GeV): 98 sources
  - **Galactic sources based on VHE gamma-ray** measurements: 12 sources

Most significant candidate: **NGC 1068**

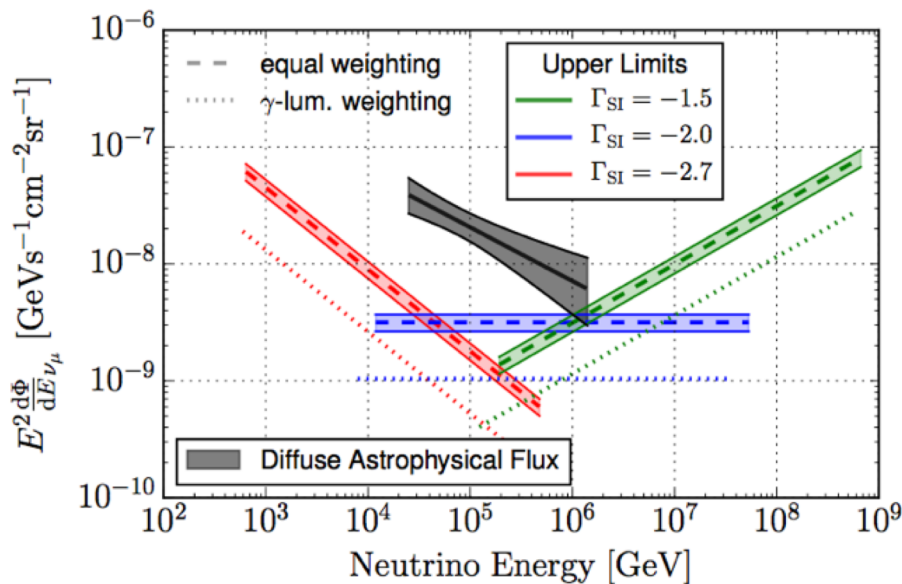
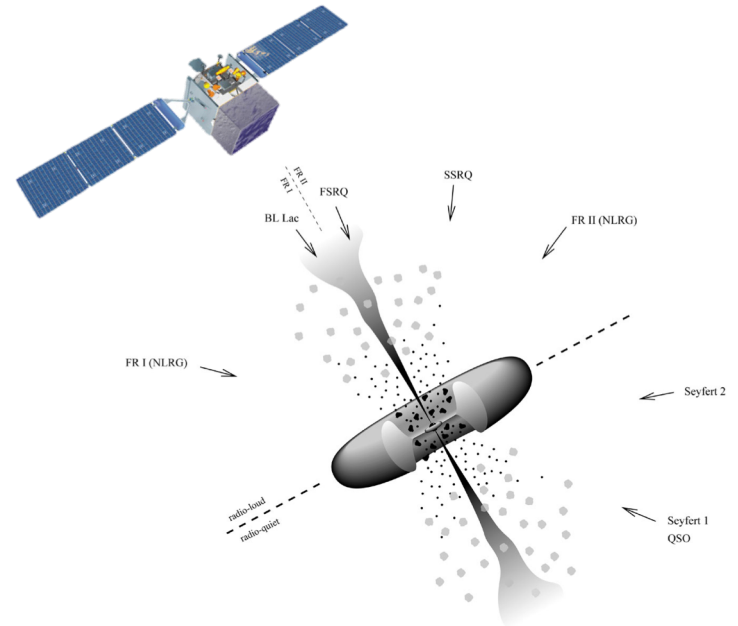
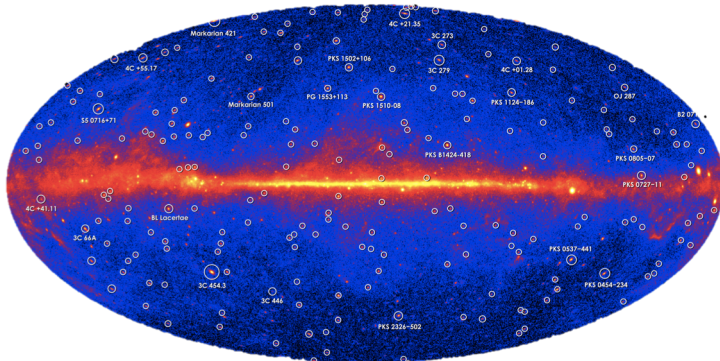
# Source Candidates – NGC 1068

- 2.9 sigma excess in TeV neutrinos (~60 events) in 10 years of IceCube data
- Nearby (M=14Mpc) Seyfert 2 galaxy
- AGN and star-forming activity



Gamma rays need to be absorbed

# Stacking Analysis using Fermi-LAT blazar catalog



Correlation study of 3 years of IceCube data and 862 *Fermi*-LAT blazars

***Fermi*-LAT blazars can only be responsible for a small fraction of the observed  $\nu$ 's.**



# Other Stacking Analyses

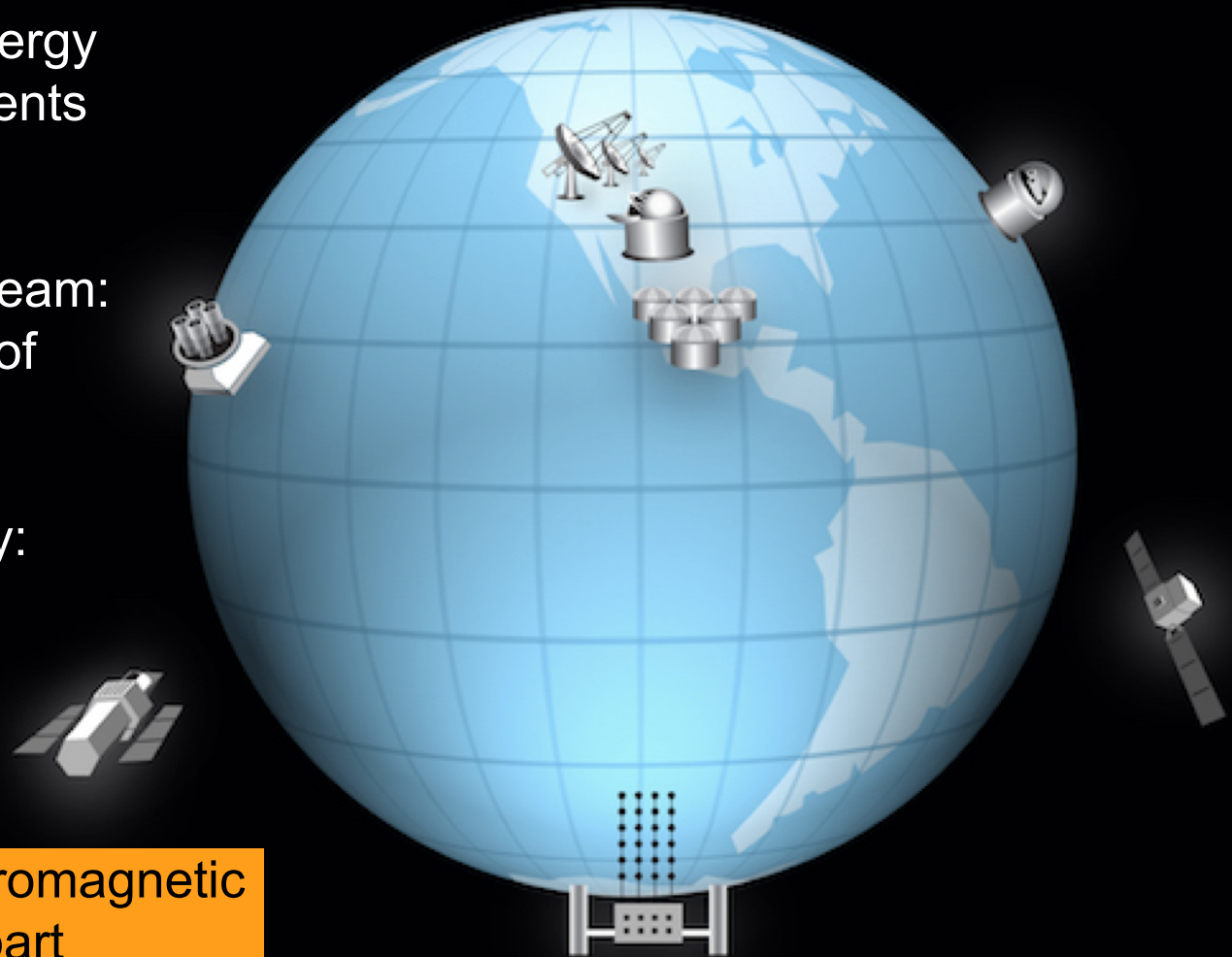
- Stacking of radio-loud AGN  $\sim 0.2\%$  p-value (Plavin et al. ApJ 894 (2020))
- Stacking of blazars from BZCat  $\sim 6 \times 10^{-7}$  p-value (Buson et al. 2022)
- Stacking of AGN cores:  $\sim 0.5\%$  p-value (IceCube Coll. PRD 2022)
  
- Stacking of GRBs  $\rightarrow$  GRBs contribute less than 1% to diffuse neutrino flux (IceCube Coll., ApJ 805 (2015), ApJ 824 (2016))
- Stacking of Fermi low-energy sources  $\rightarrow$  contribute less than 1% (IceCube Coll. ApJ 2022)
- ....

**Challenge: Weighting scheme needed. What is the right tracer for neutrino emission?  $\rightarrow$  Input from theory!?**

# IceCube Target of Opportunity Program

## Public alerts since April 2016

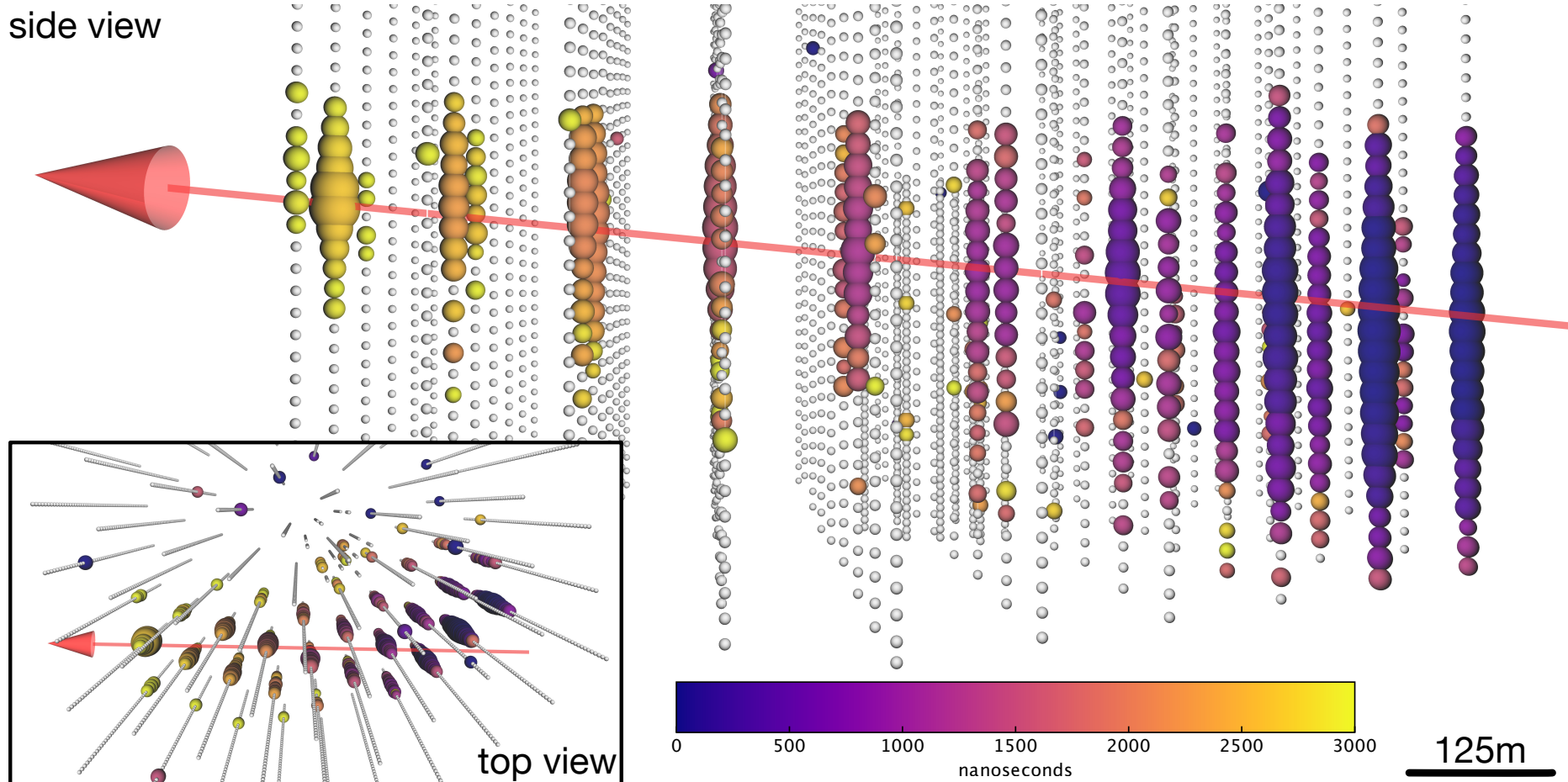
- Single high-energy muon track events ( $> \sim 100\text{TeV}$ )
- “Gold” alert stream: 10 / yr,  $\sim 5$  / yr of cosmic origin
- Median latency: 30 sec



**Goal:** Find electromagnetic counterpart

# IC-170922A – a 290 TeV Neutrino

side view

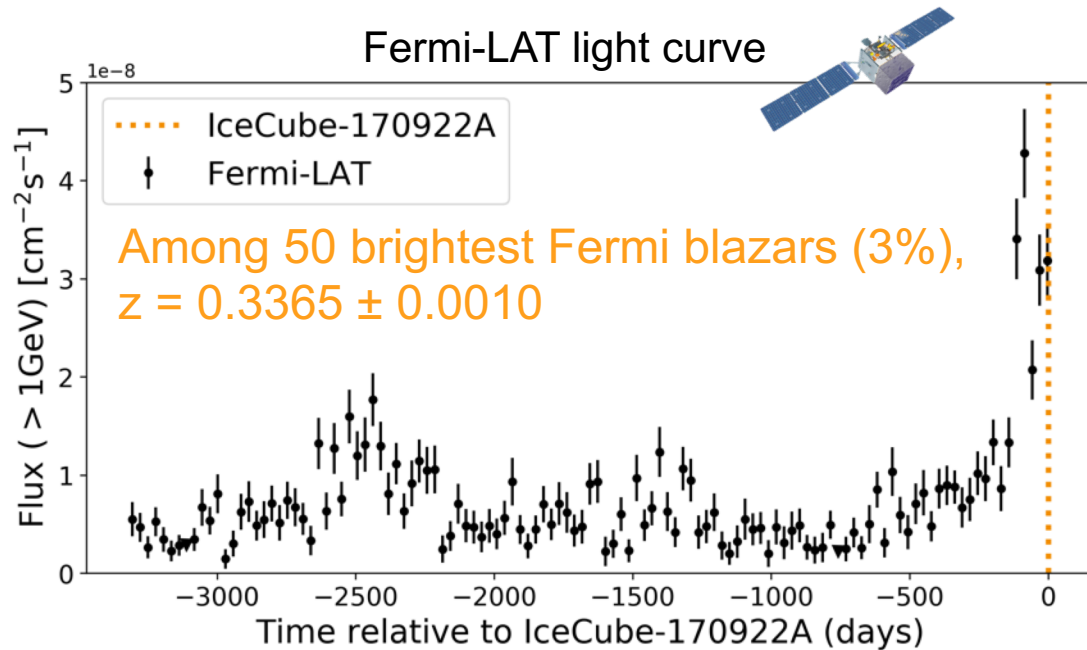


Signalness: 56.5%

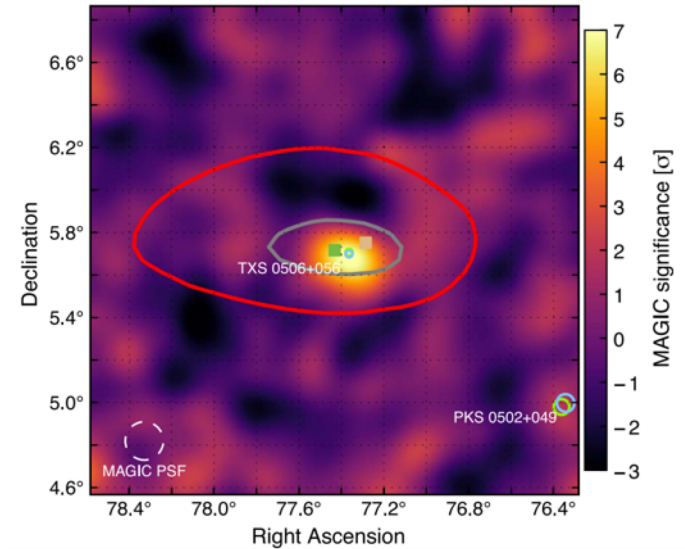
# Fermi-LAT finds Flaring Source



# Source Candidates – TXS 0506+056



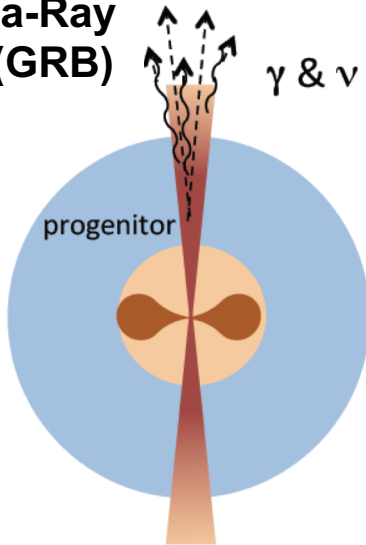
MAGIC Significance map



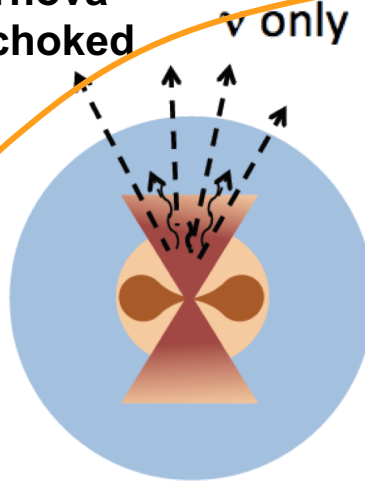
300 TeV neutrino coincident  
with gamma-ray flare  
(3sigma significance)

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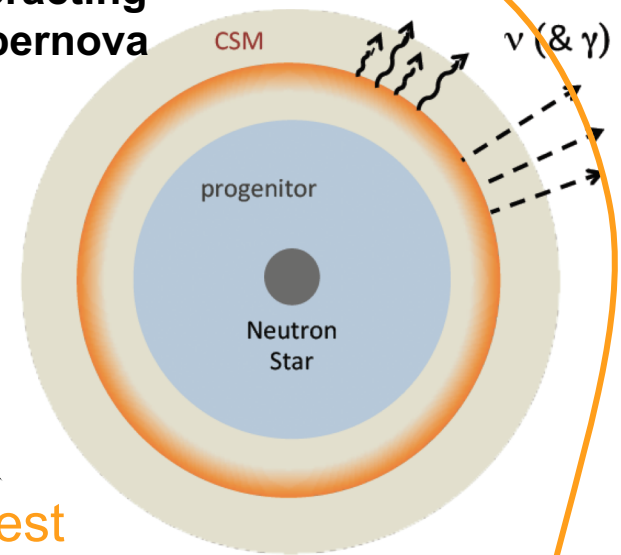
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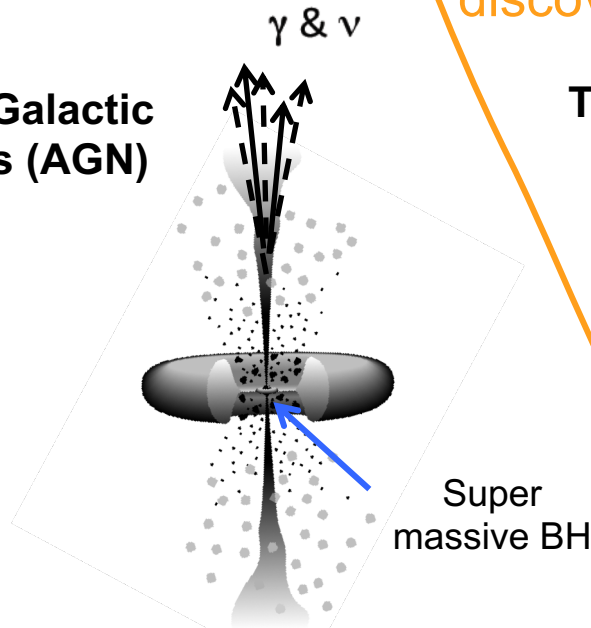


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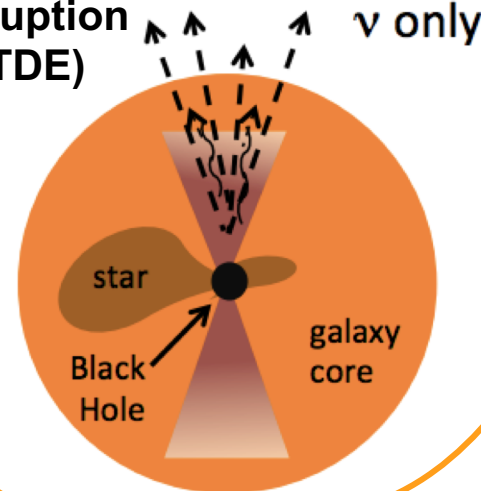


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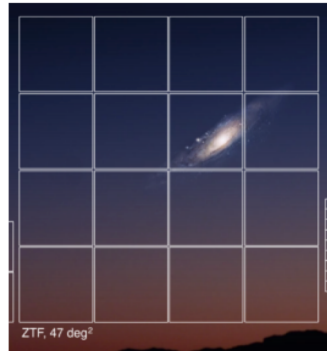
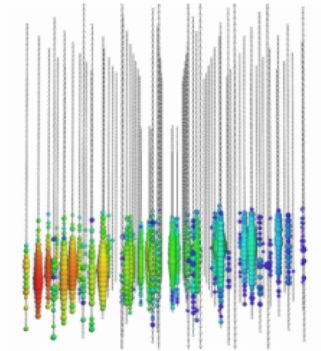
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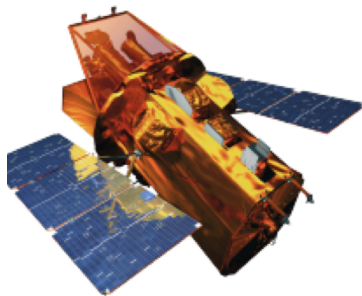
Reject stars, planets,  
artifacts, asteroids

1. high-energy  
neutrino alert  
arrives

2. Observe with  
ZTF

3. Follow-up  
with AMPEL

Nordin et al., A&A  
631, A147 (2019)

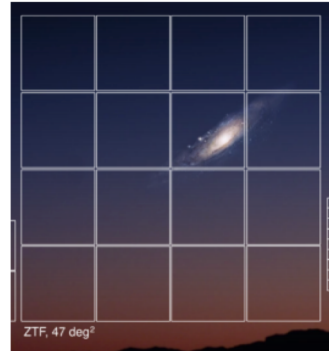
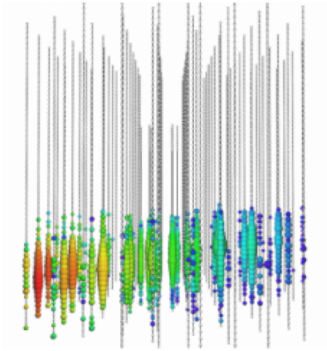


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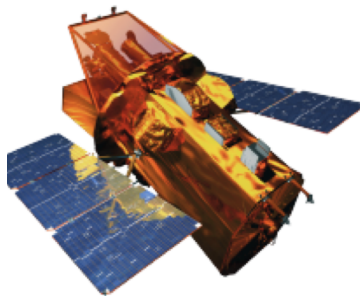
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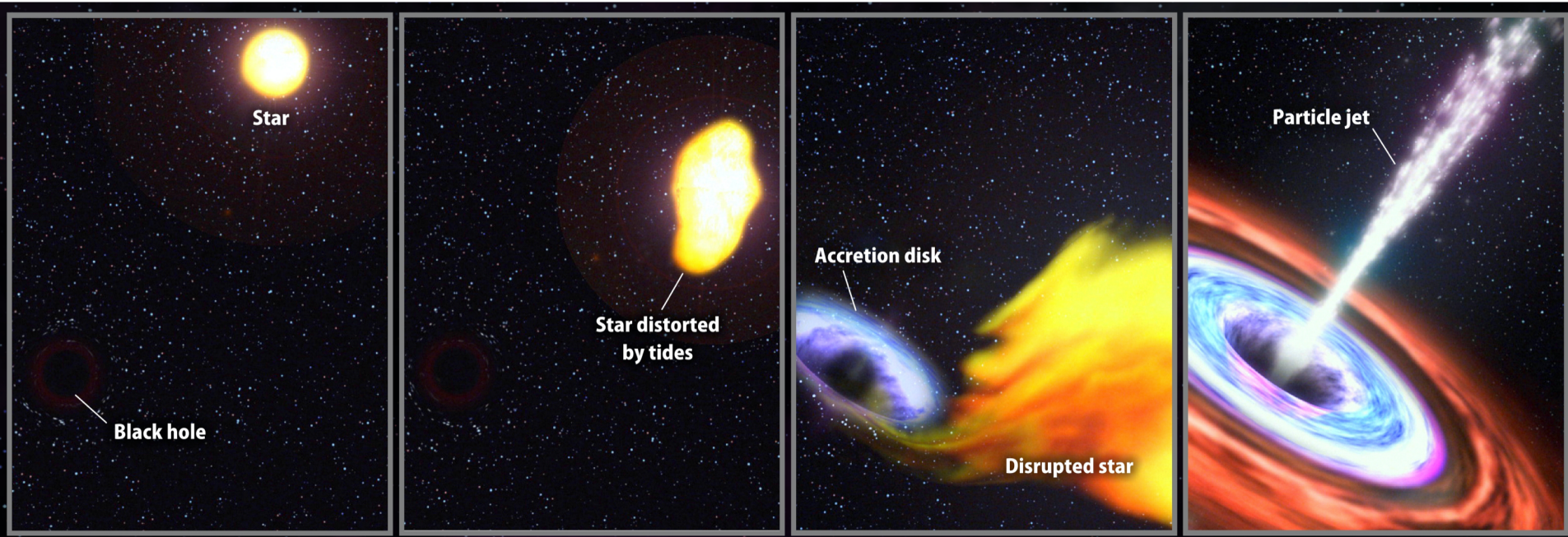
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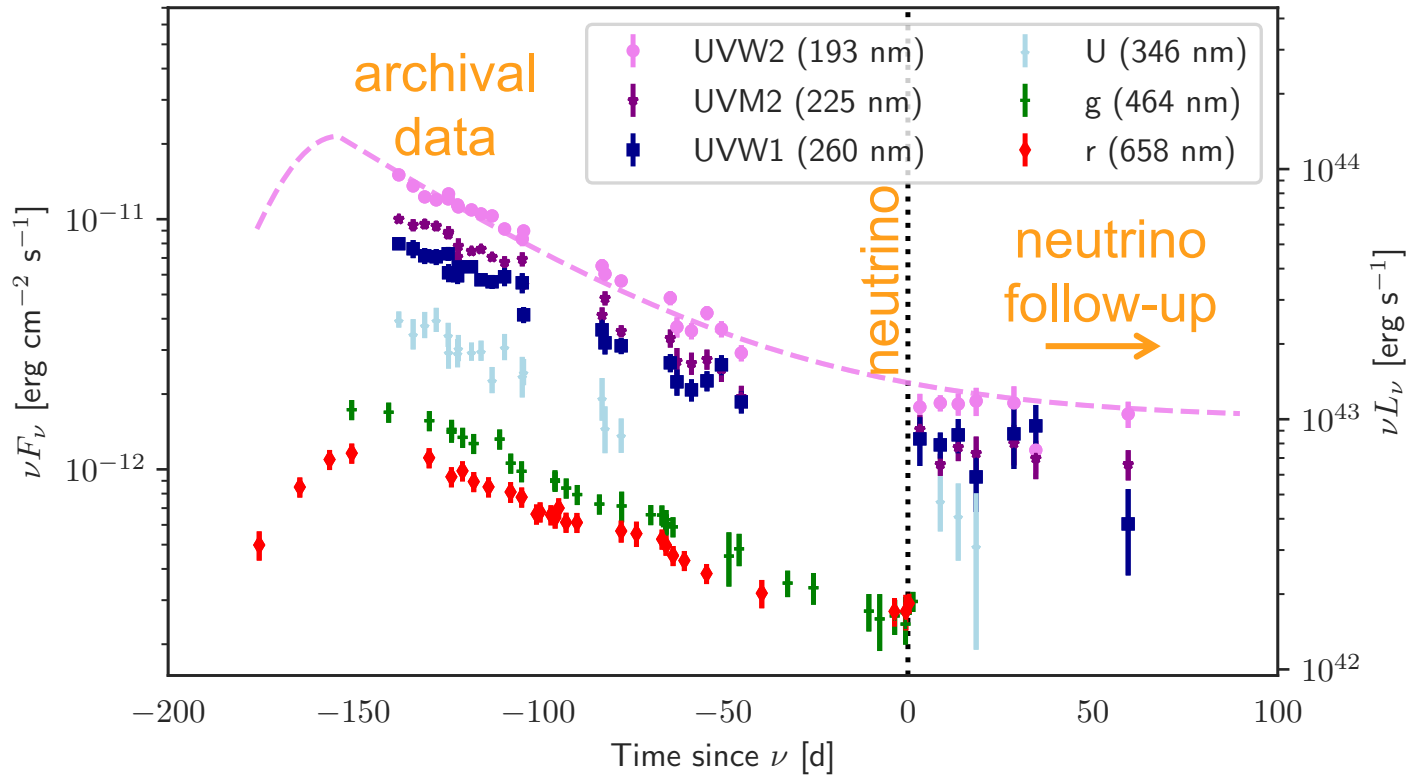
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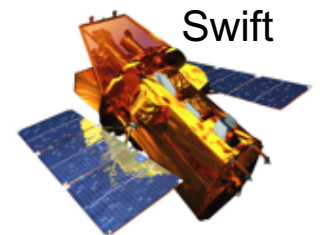
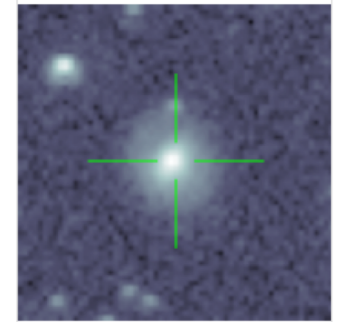


**~50 TDEs identified, 3 jetted TDEs**

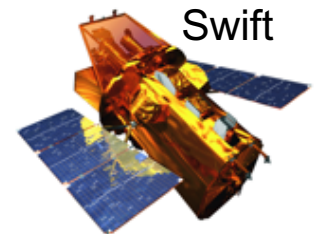
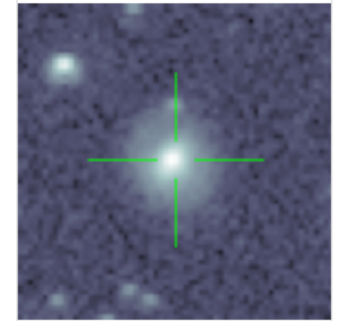
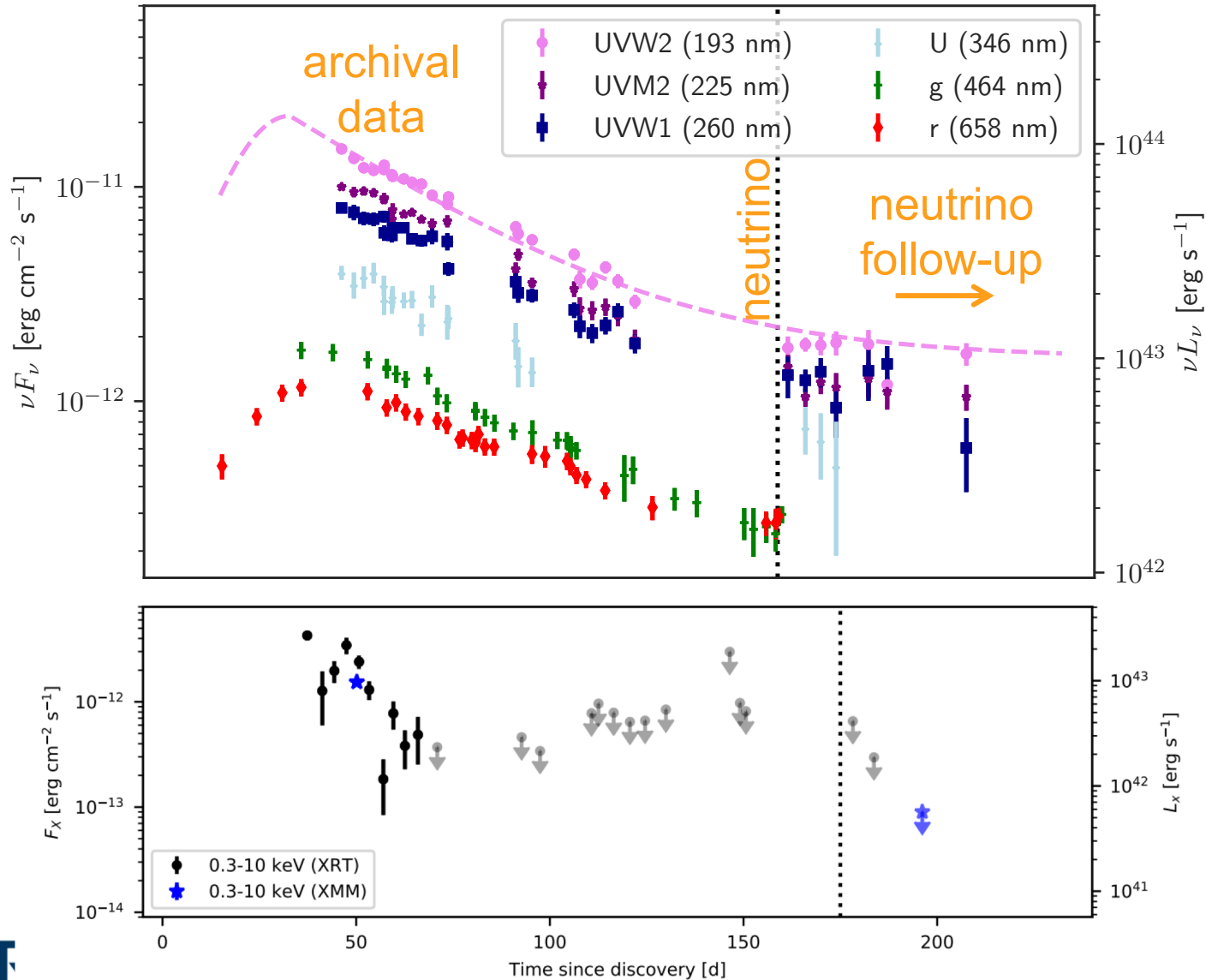
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Distance:  $z = 0.05$  ( $d = 230$  Mpc), no gamma rays

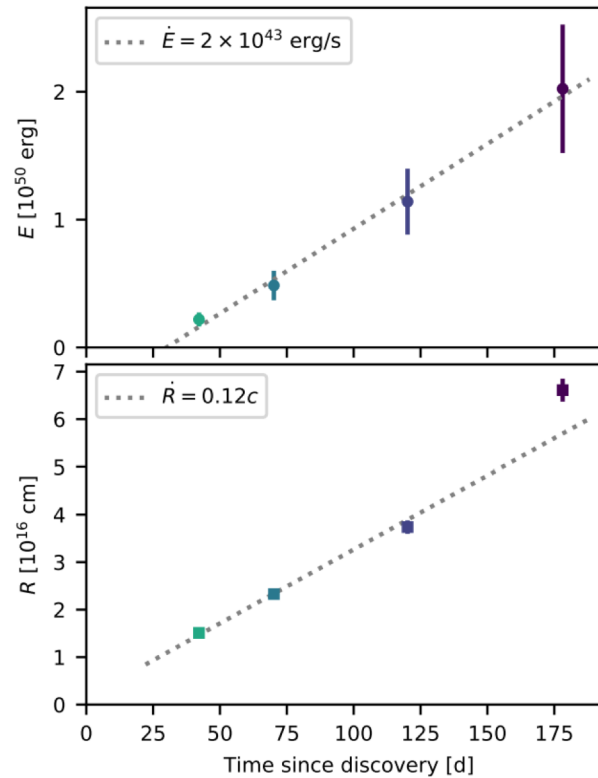
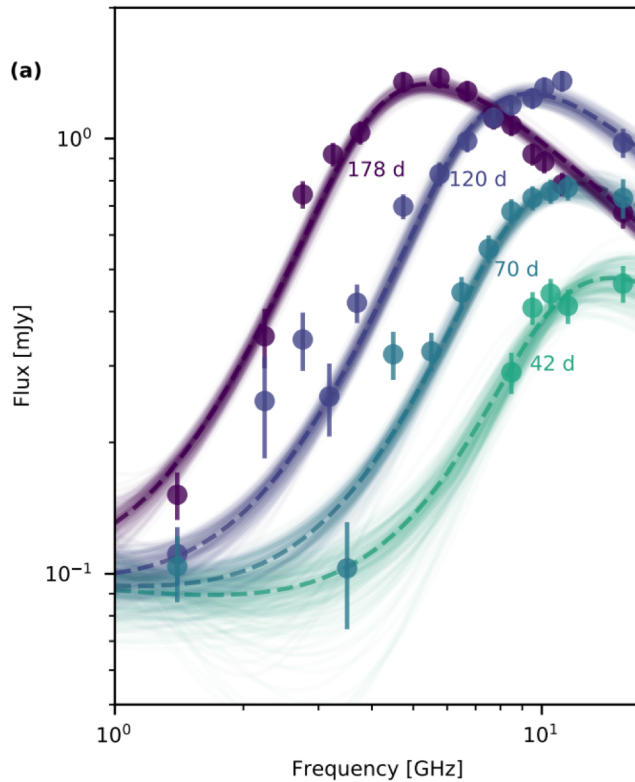


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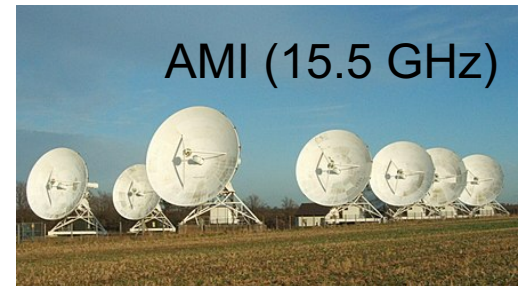
## Radio observations



(b)

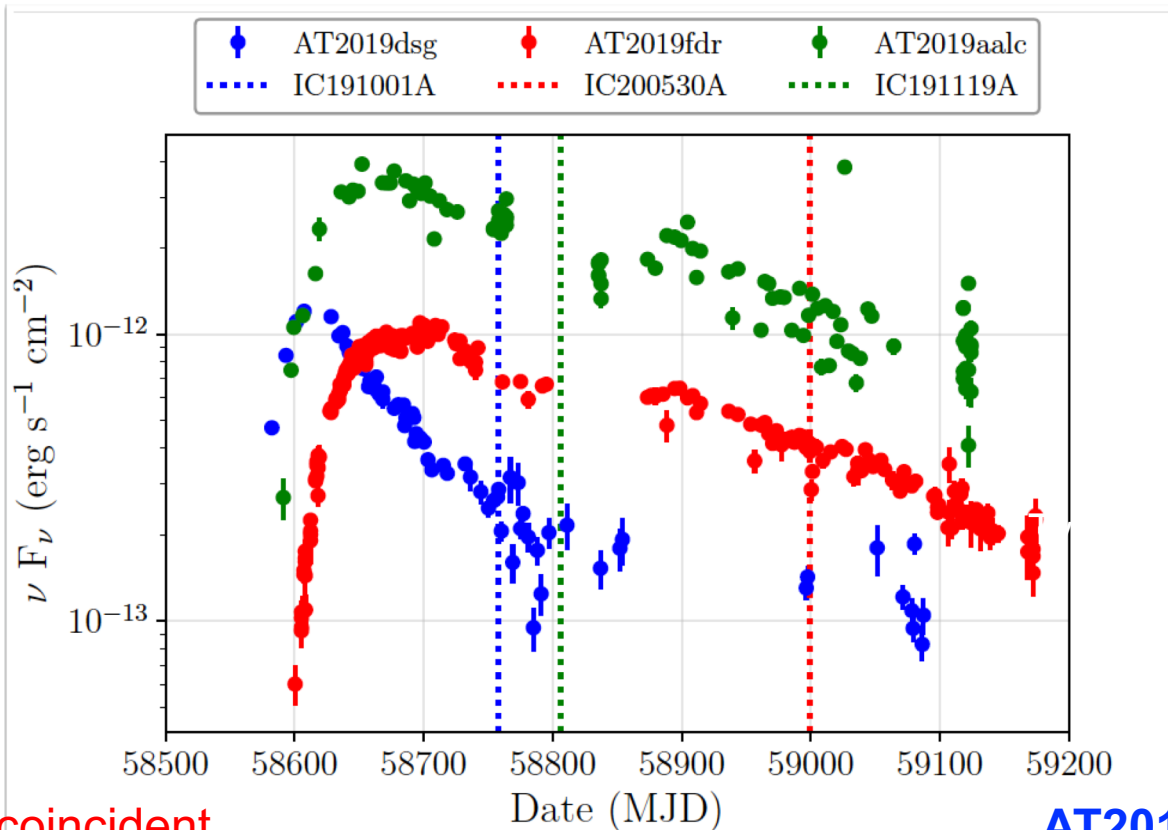


(c)



Radio data reveals long-lasting activity of central engine

# Two more TDE candidates!



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$$p = 2 \times 10^{-4} (3.7 \sigma)$$

First hint of neutrino production in TDEs  
→ Very efficient neutrino production in TDEs compared to AGN?

**What have we learned?**

**Sources accelerate  
*protons* to at least *PeV*  
energies**

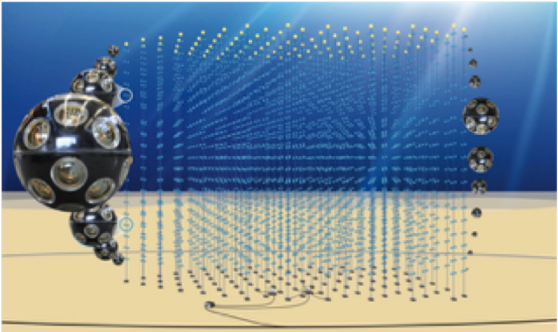
# Next Generation Neutrino Telescopes

Neutrino sources on the southern sky




Today's neutrino telescopes

Neutrinos at EeV energies

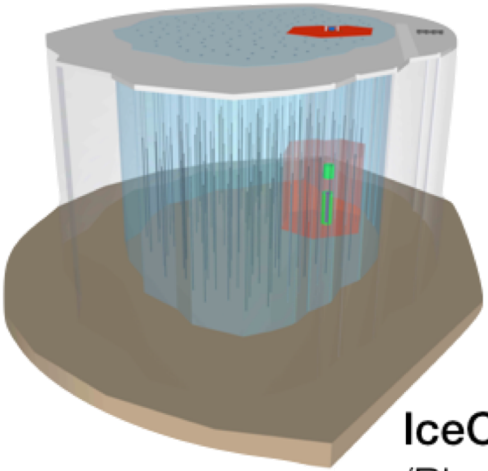


**KM3NeT / Baikal-GVD**  
(construction started)

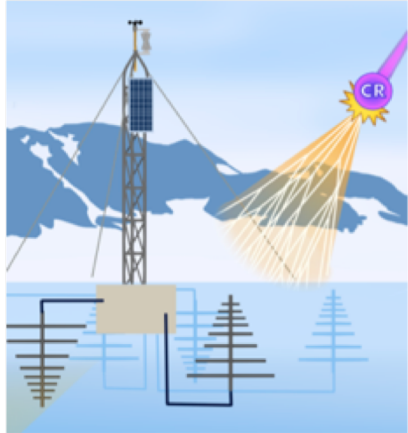
 **P-ONE** Pacific ocean

**TRIDENT** South Chinese Sea

5x better sensitivity in the TeV-PeV energy range

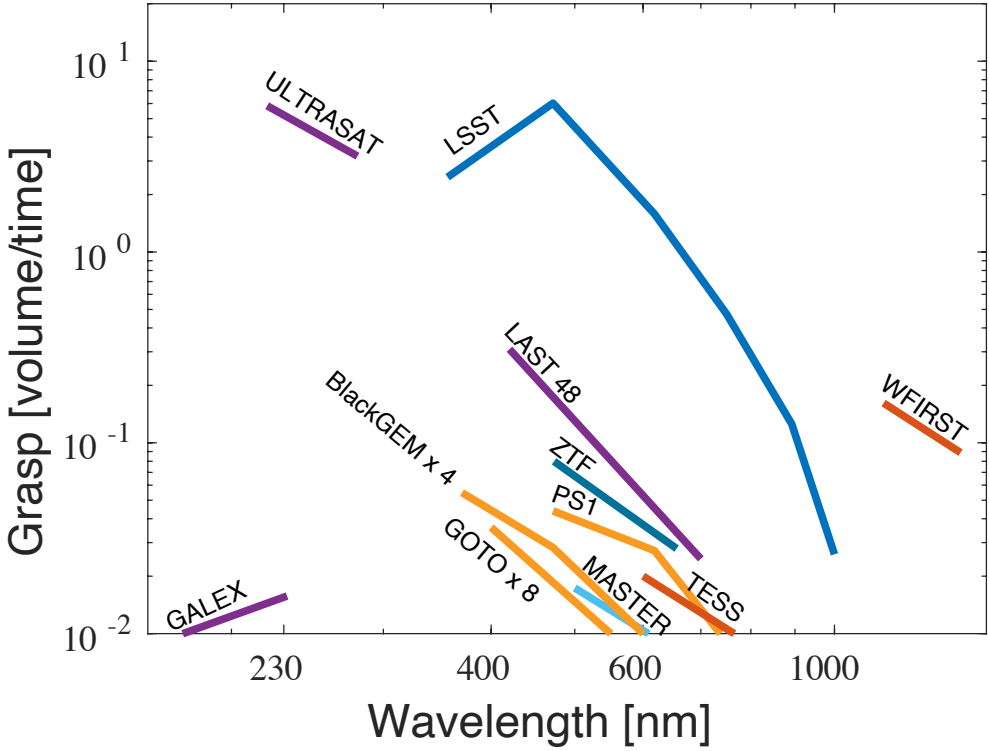
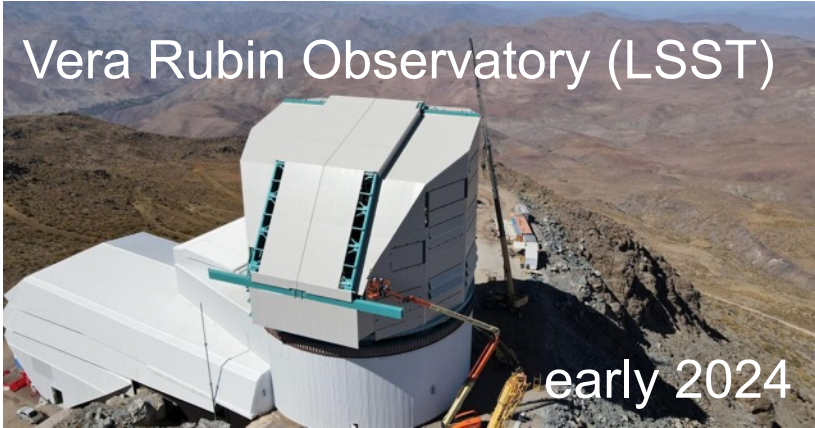
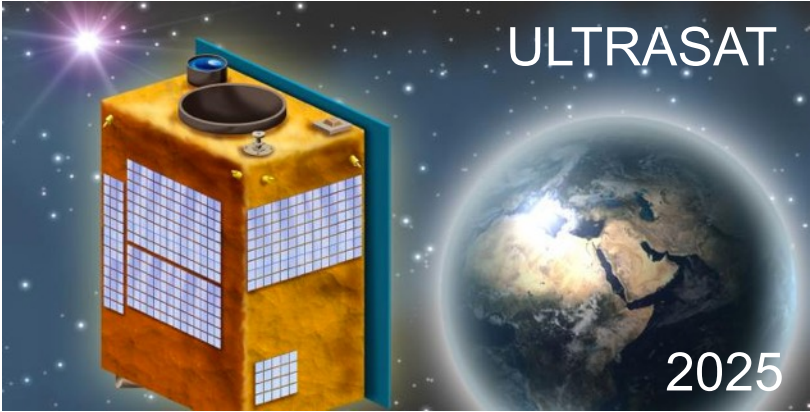


**IceCube-Gen2**  
(Phase 1 started)



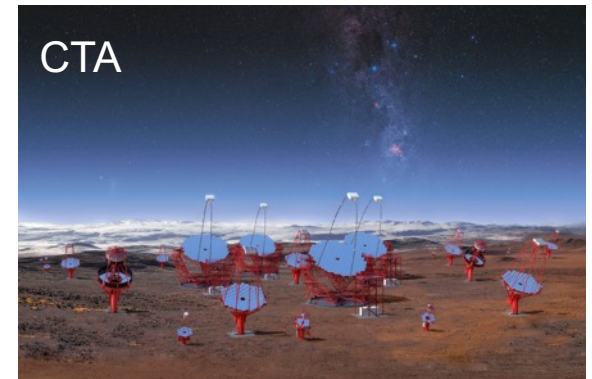
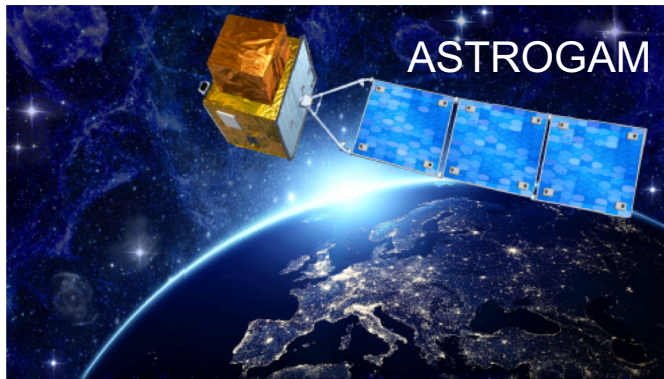
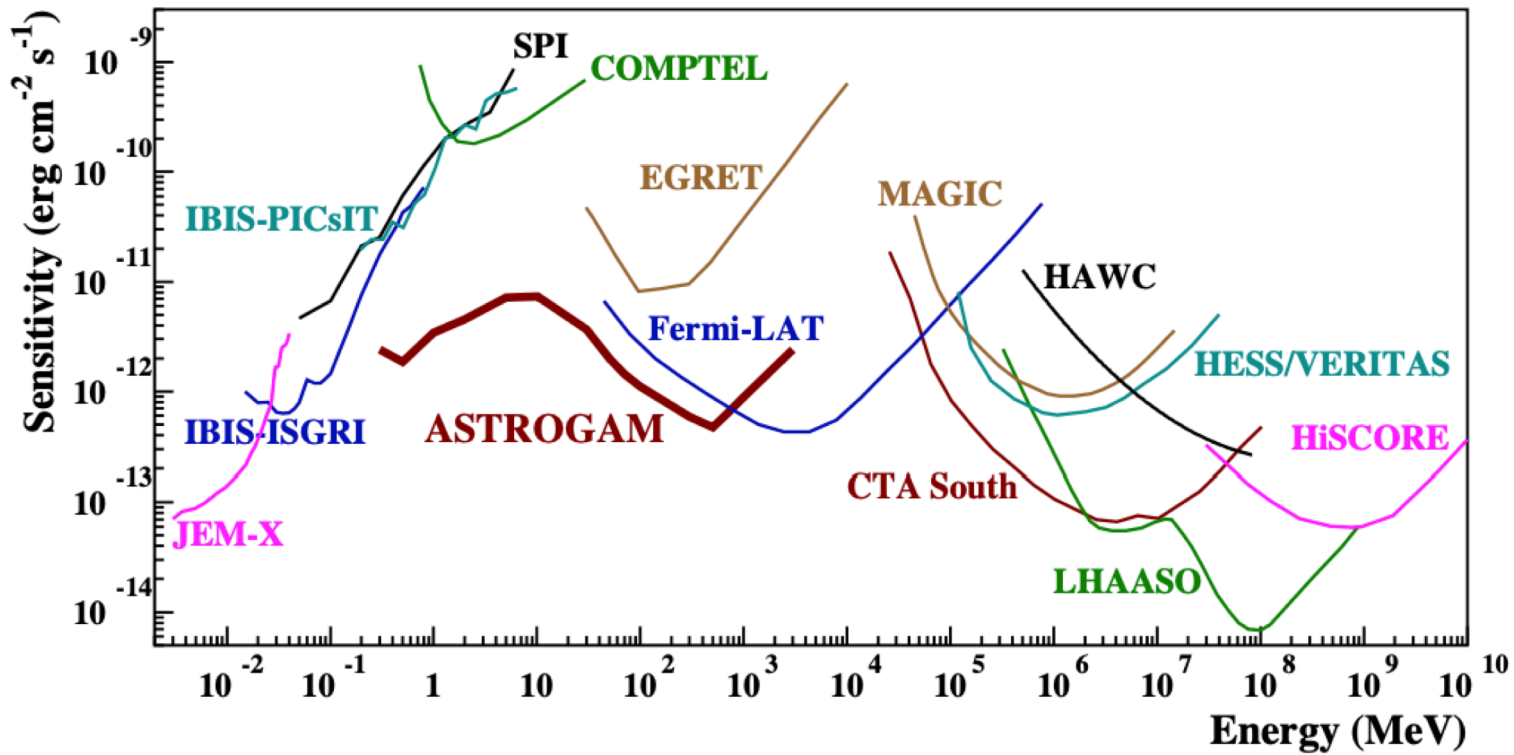
**ARA/ARIANNA, RNO, Gen2-Radio**  
(proposals in)

# New Instrument to identify Counterparts



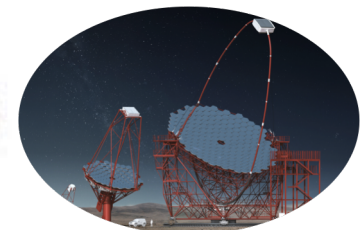


# Closing the Gap in the MeV Range



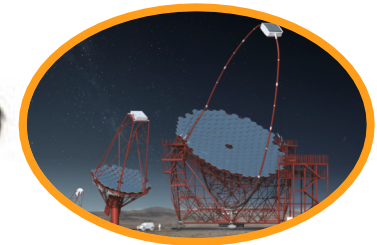
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**Neutrinos** are unique messengers from the **high-energy Universe**



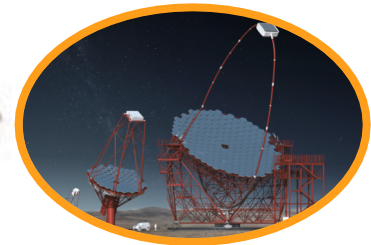
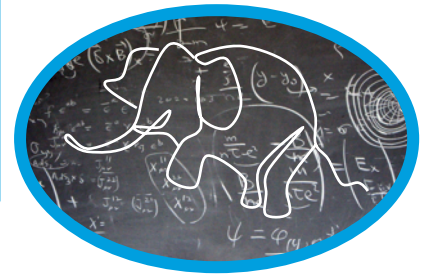
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Multi-wavelength observations  
are key to identify neutrino  
(and cosmic-ray) sources

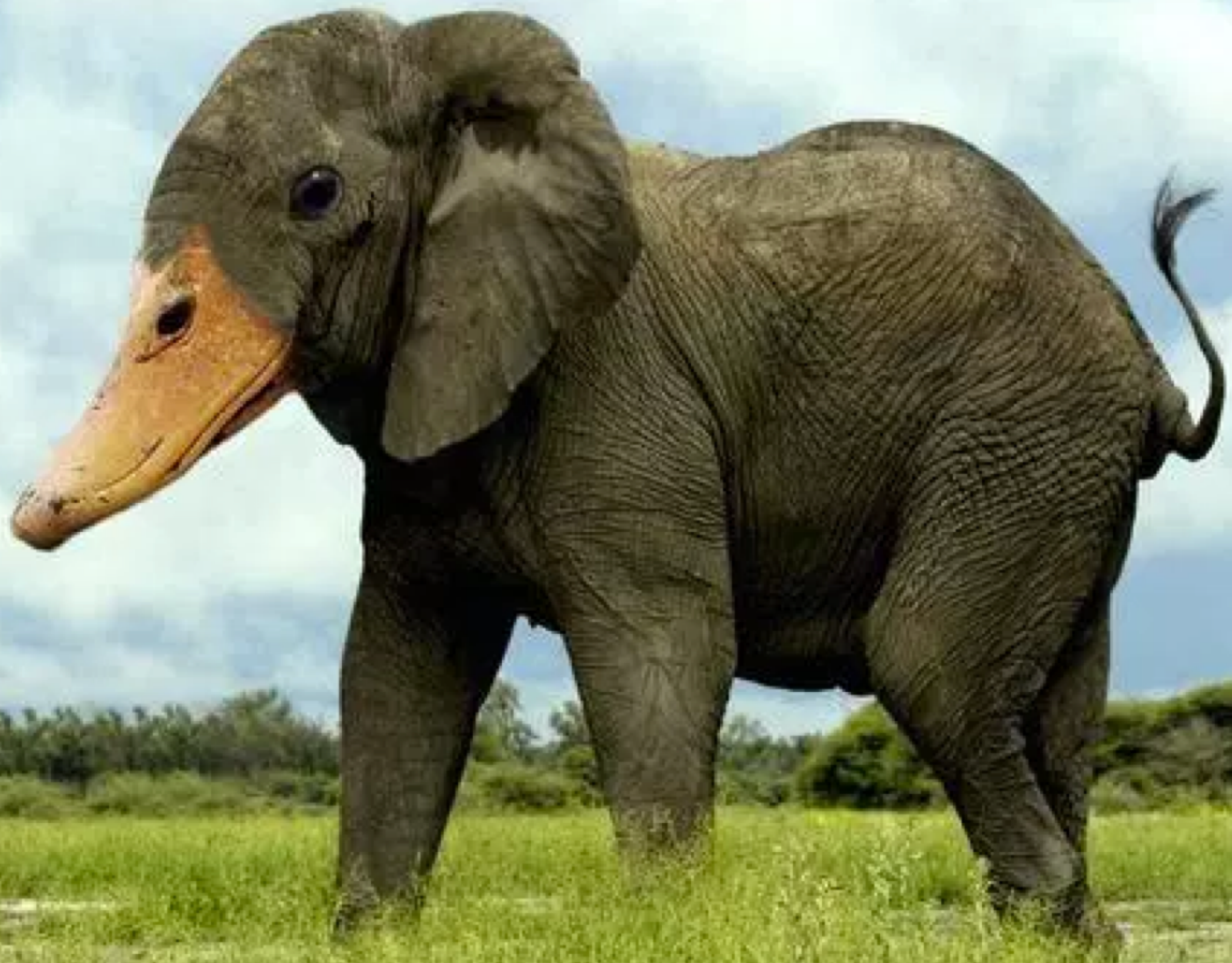


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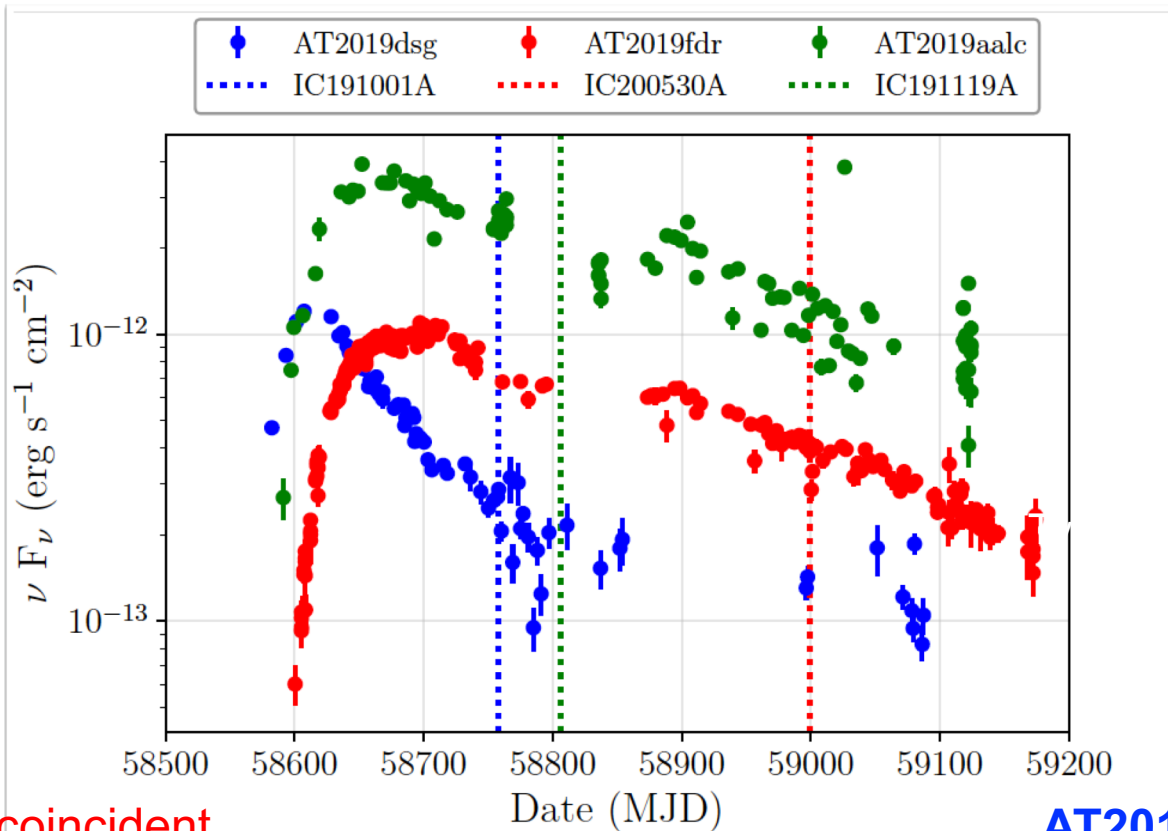
Theory plays a crucial role to interpret the multi-messenger data



*Stay tuned!*



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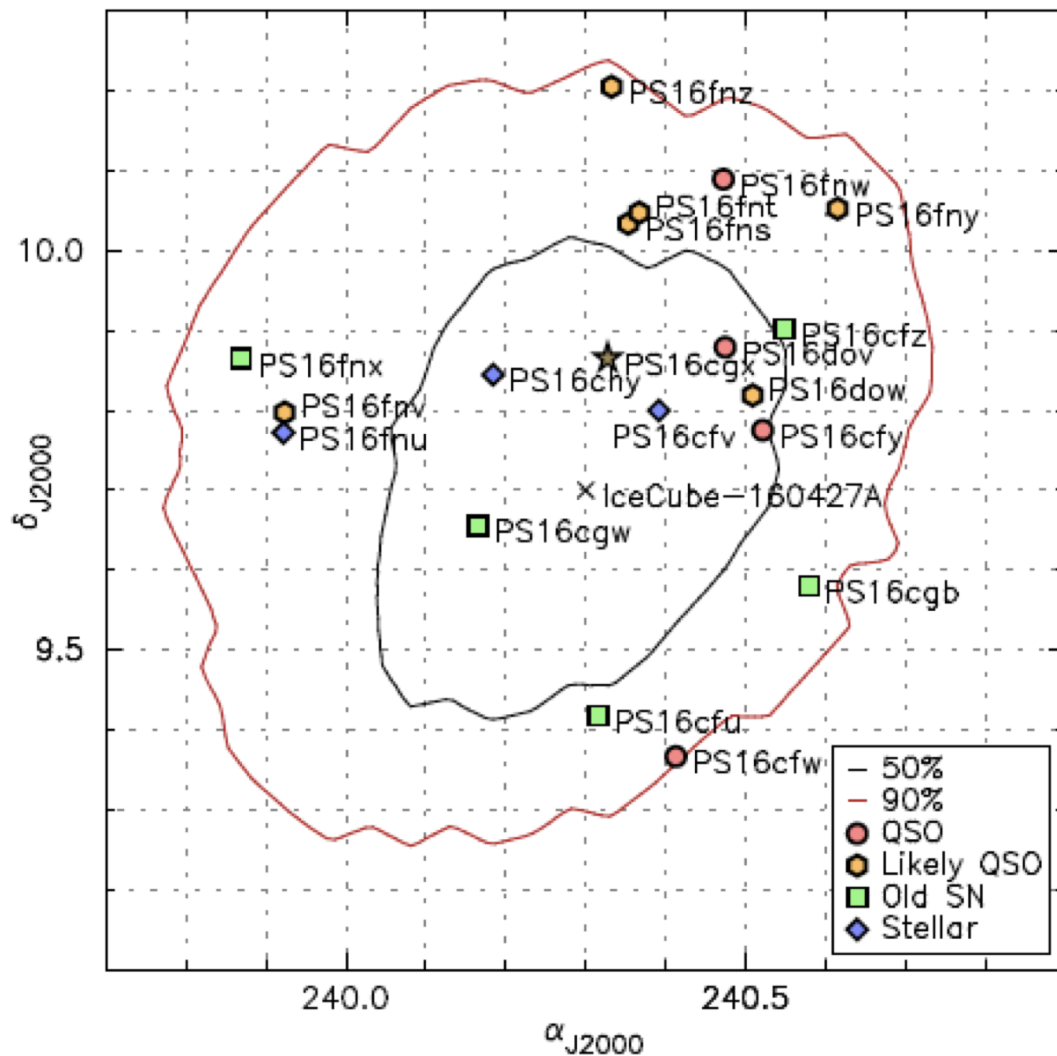
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TDE population as new neutrino source class?  
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# Pan-STARRS follow-up of IC-160427A



| Type         | Number    |
|--------------|-----------|
| QSO          | 10        |
| Stellar      | 3         |
| Old SNe      | 5         |
| Young SN     | 1         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>19</b> |

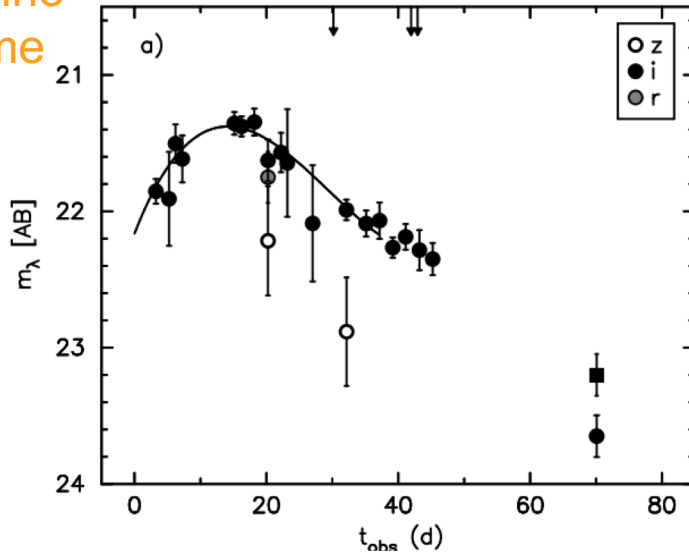
Young SN found:  
PS 16cgx  
at  $z=0.29$

## Chance probability:

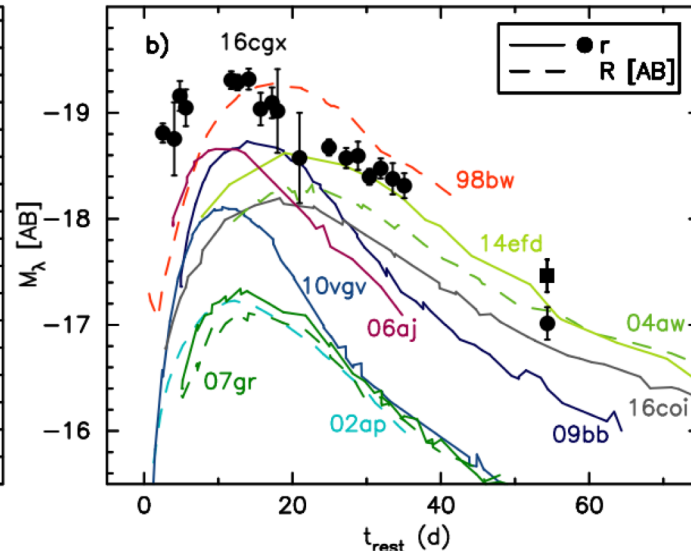
- if **type Ic** (associated with GRBs): **~2%**
- if **type Ia** (no HE neutrinos exp.): **~15%**

# Neutrino should arrive at explosion time

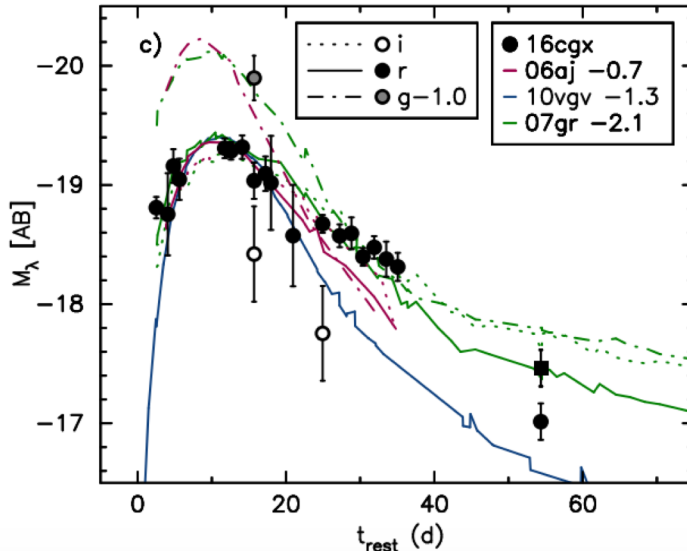
$t=0$  neutrino arrival time



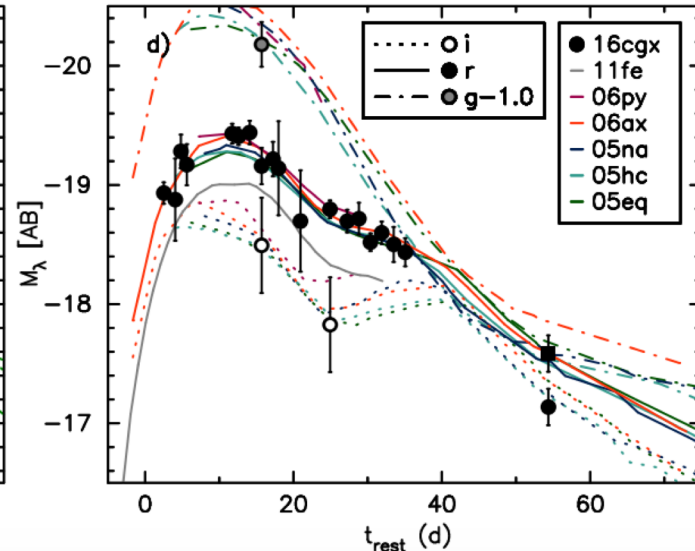
Compared to nearby Ic-BL



Compared to rapidly raising Ic



Compared to Ia





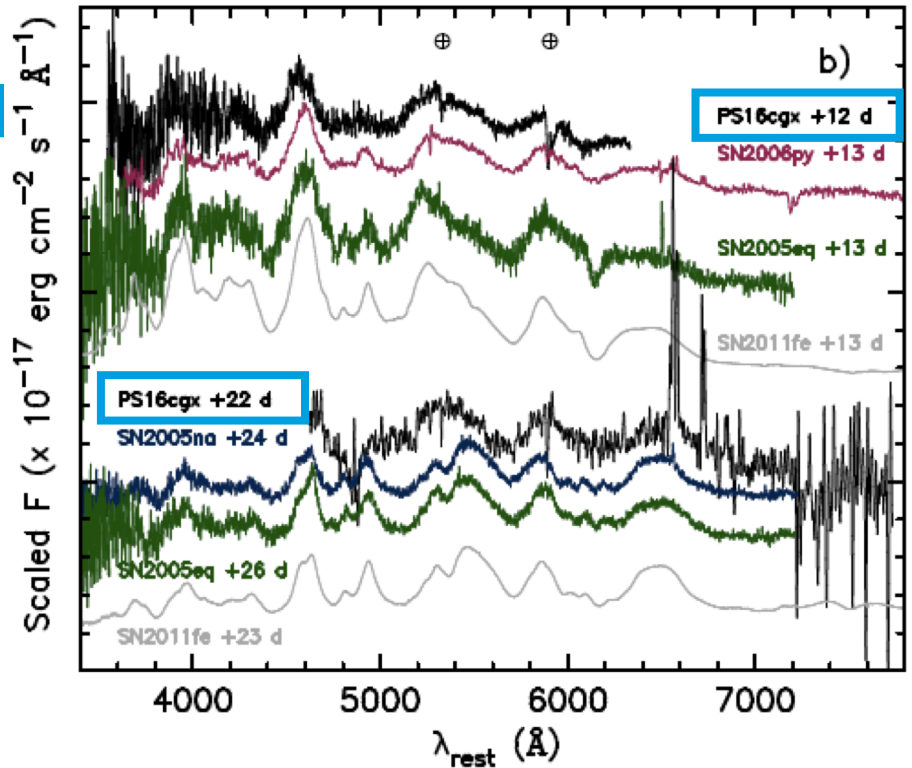
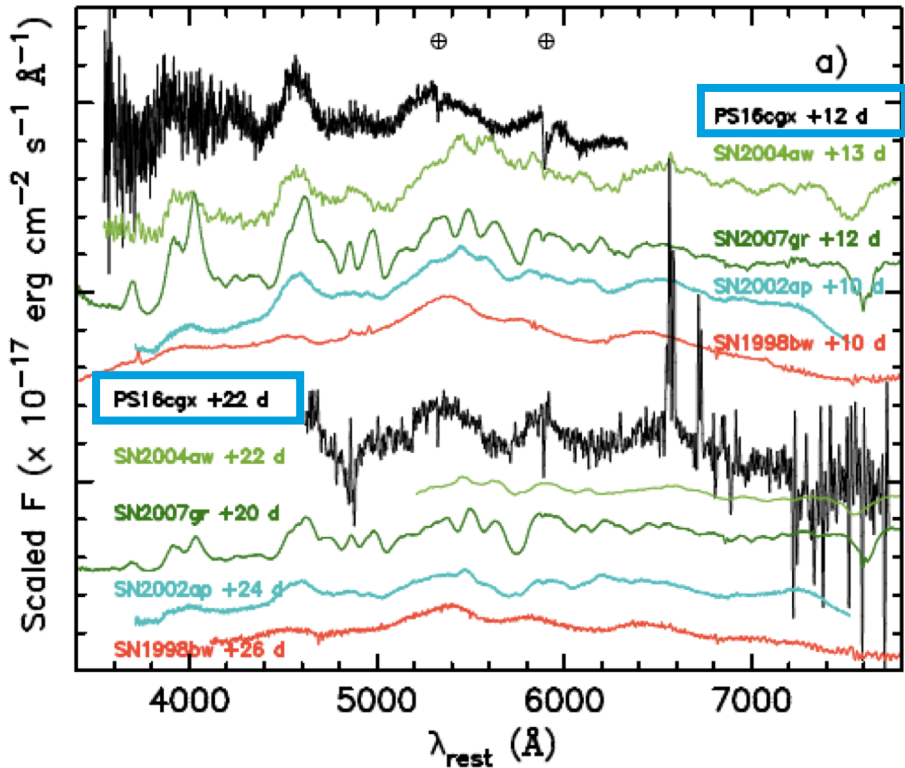


# What type of SN is PS 16cgx?

## Spectra

Comparison with core-collapse (type Ic), candidates for choked jets and neutrino emitters

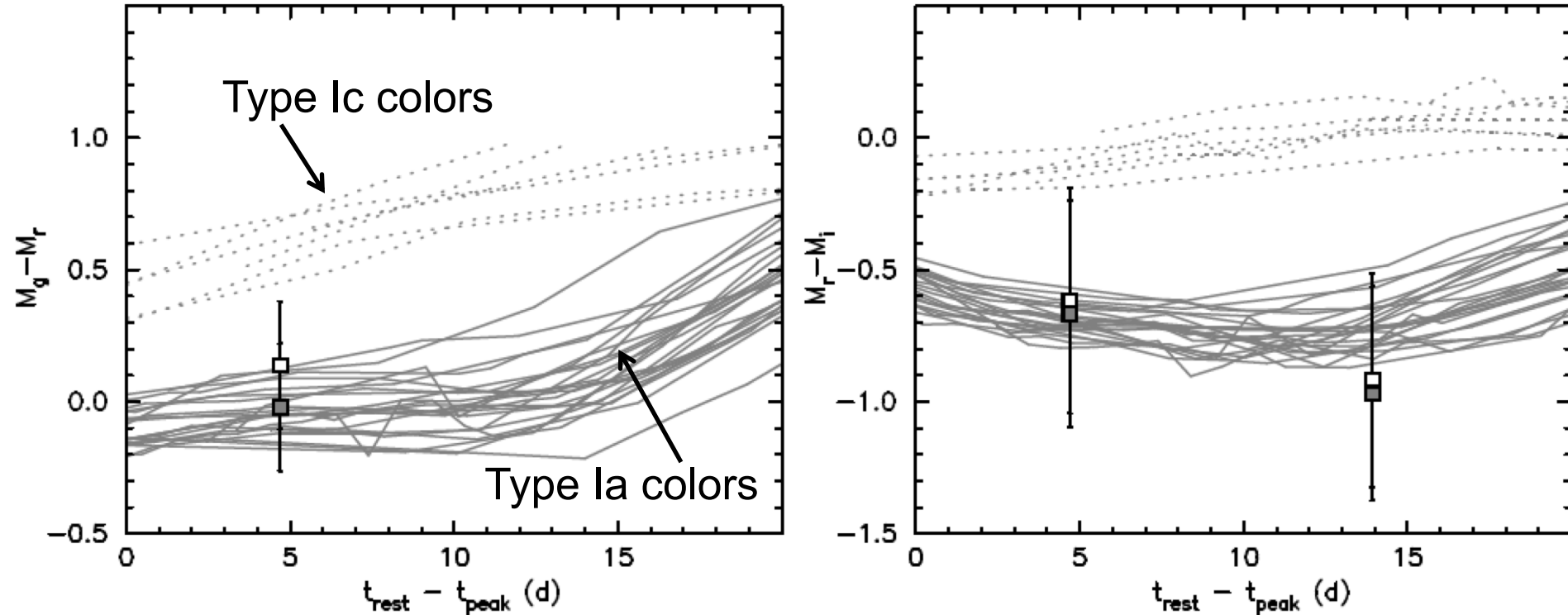
Comparison with thermonuclear explosions (type Ia), no neutrino emitters



# What type of SN is PS 16cgx?

## Colors

PS 16cgx is more likely of type Ia  $\rightarrow$  not a high-energy neutrino emitter

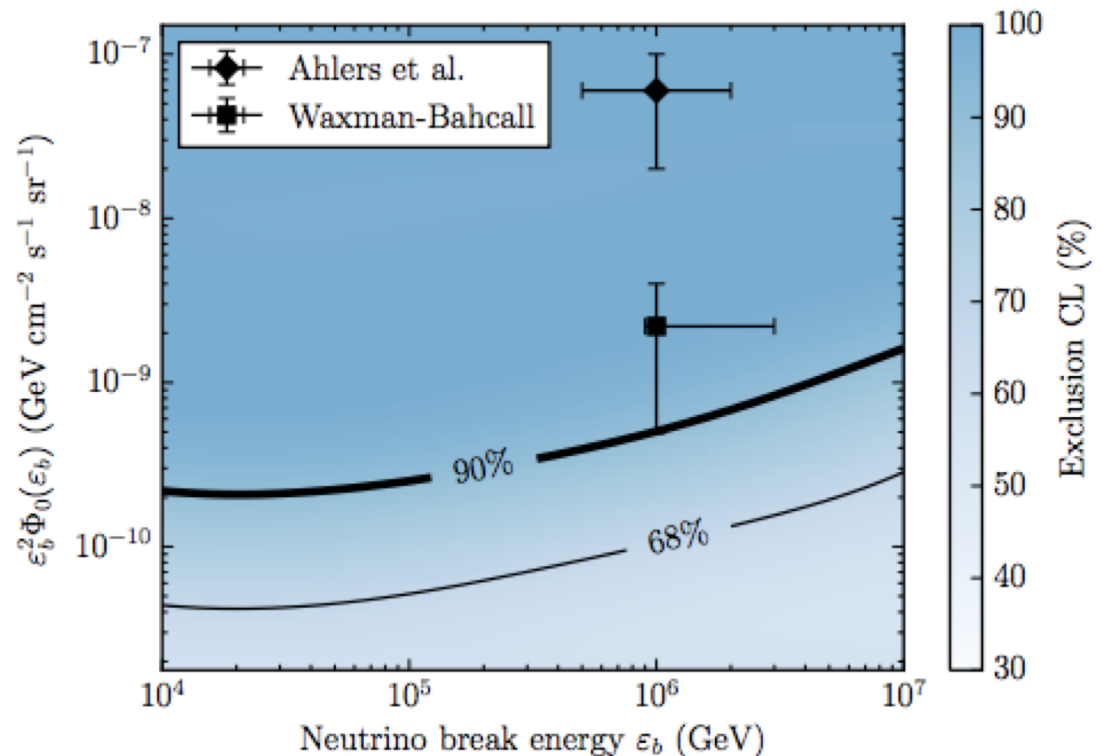


# Gamma-Ray Bursts (GRBs)

Gamma rays and X-rays tell us **where** and **when** to look for neutrinos

Prompt emission of  
> 800 GRBs correlated  
with IceCube data  
→ **no excess found**

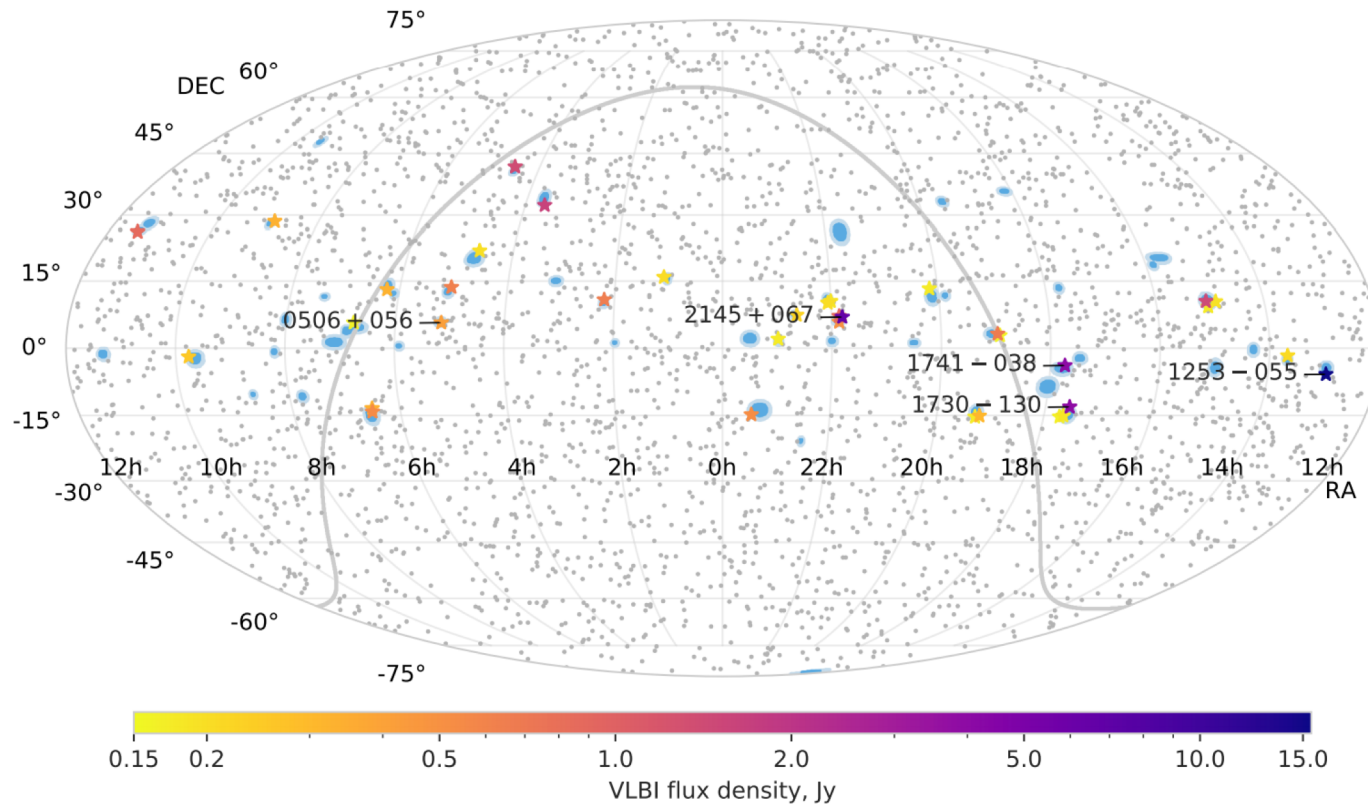
Precursor and  
afterglow searches in  
preparation



GRBs contribute less than 1% to observed diffuse neutrino flux. Potential large population of nearby low-luminosity GRBs not constrained

# Stacking with radio-loud AGN

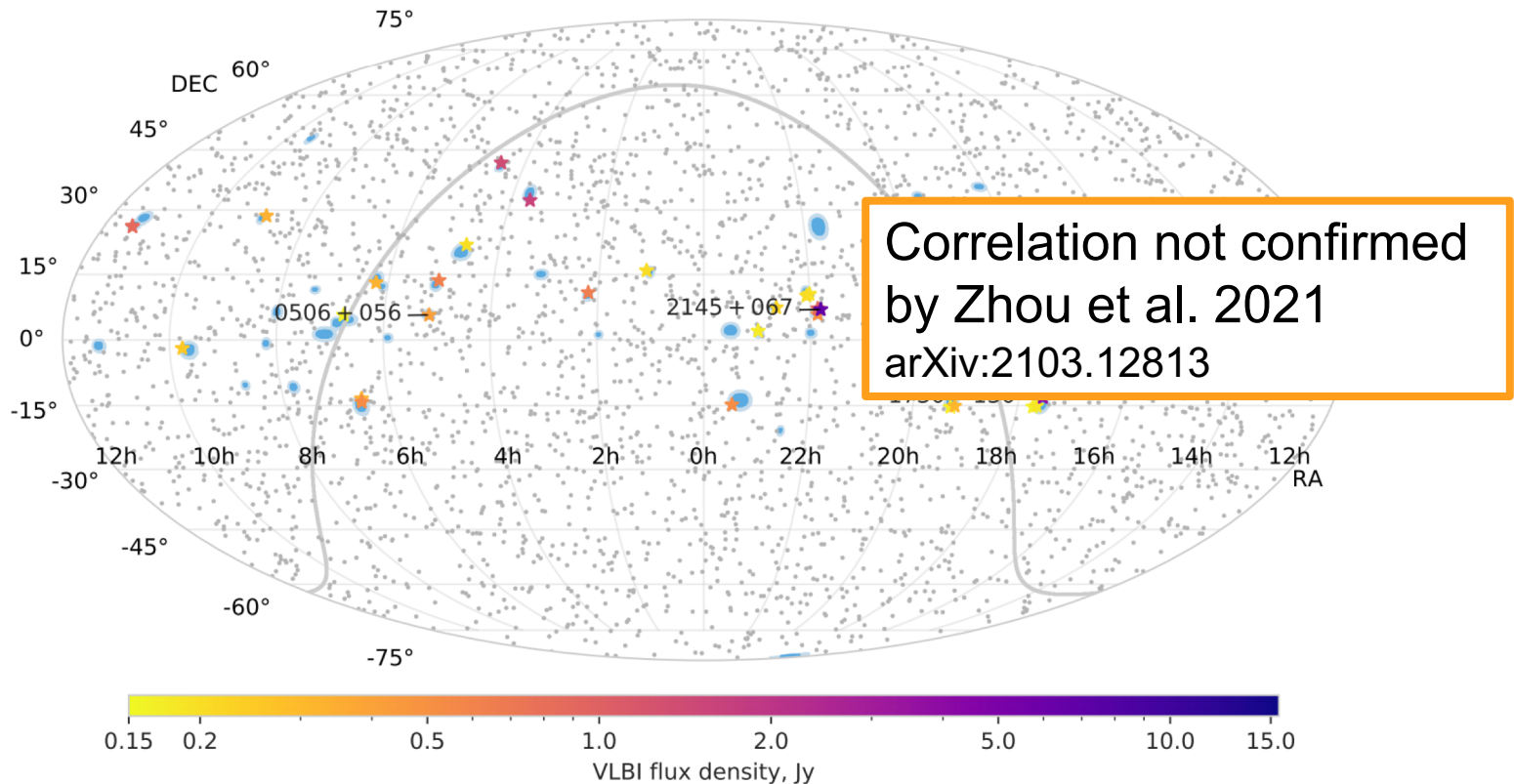
Correlation with VLBI-flux-density limited sample of AGN



Correlation of radio-bright AGN with IceCube neutrino alerts at chance coincidence of 0.2%

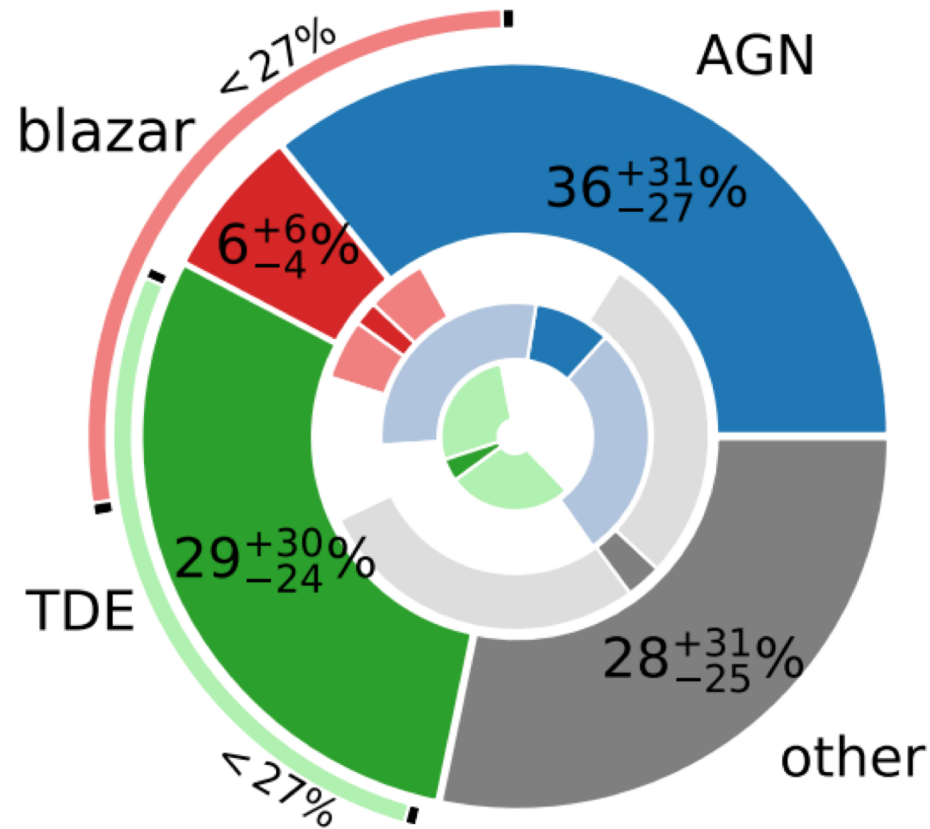
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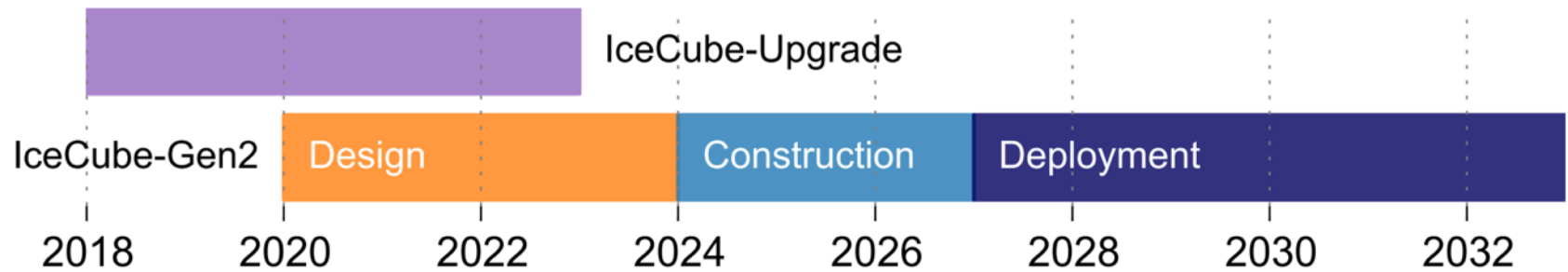


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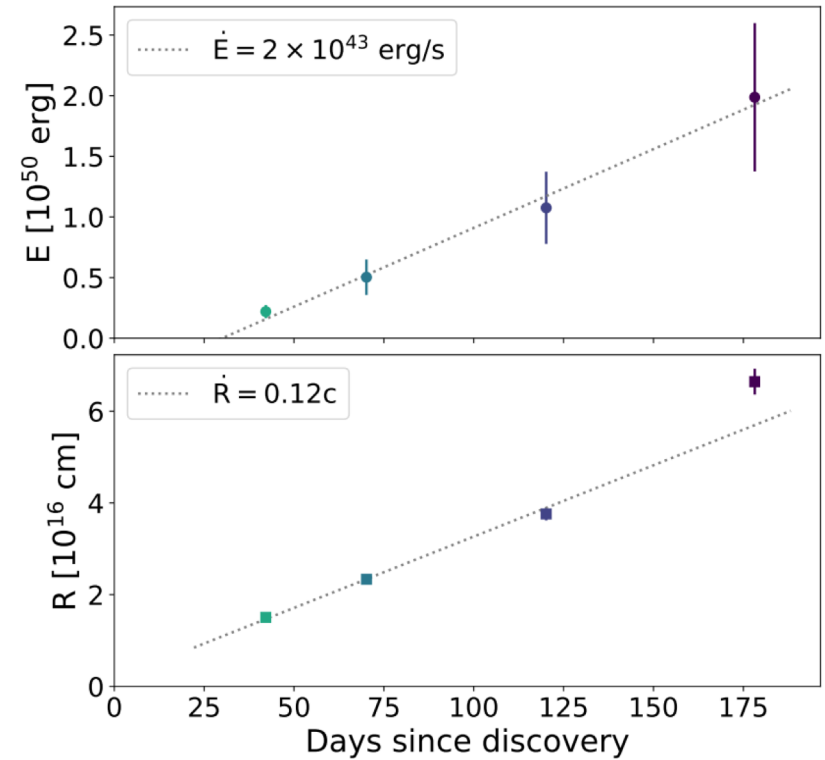
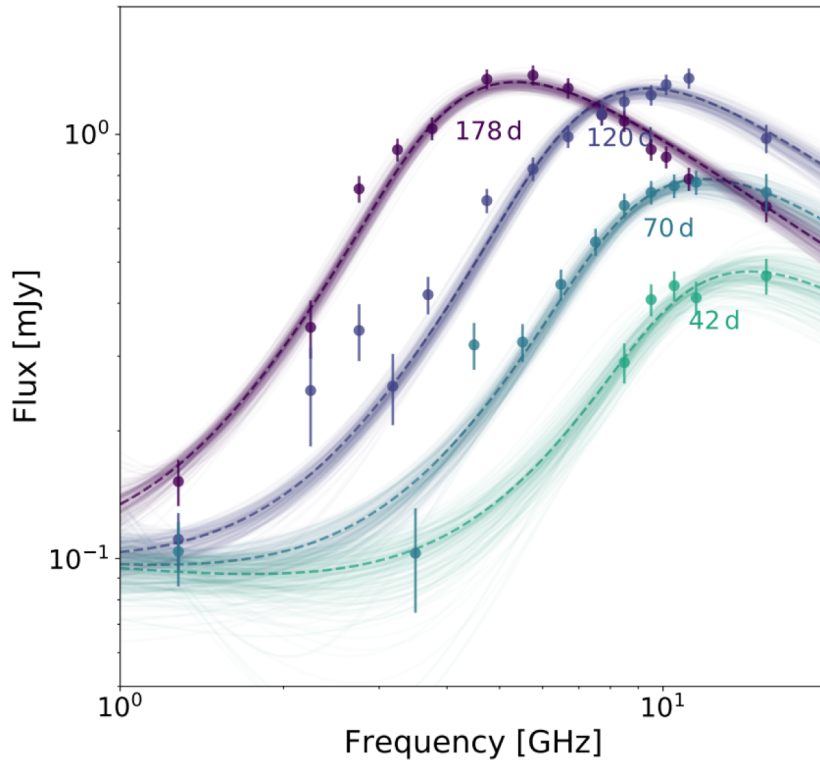
# The Cosmic Neutrino Pi Chart



# IceCube-Gen2 time line

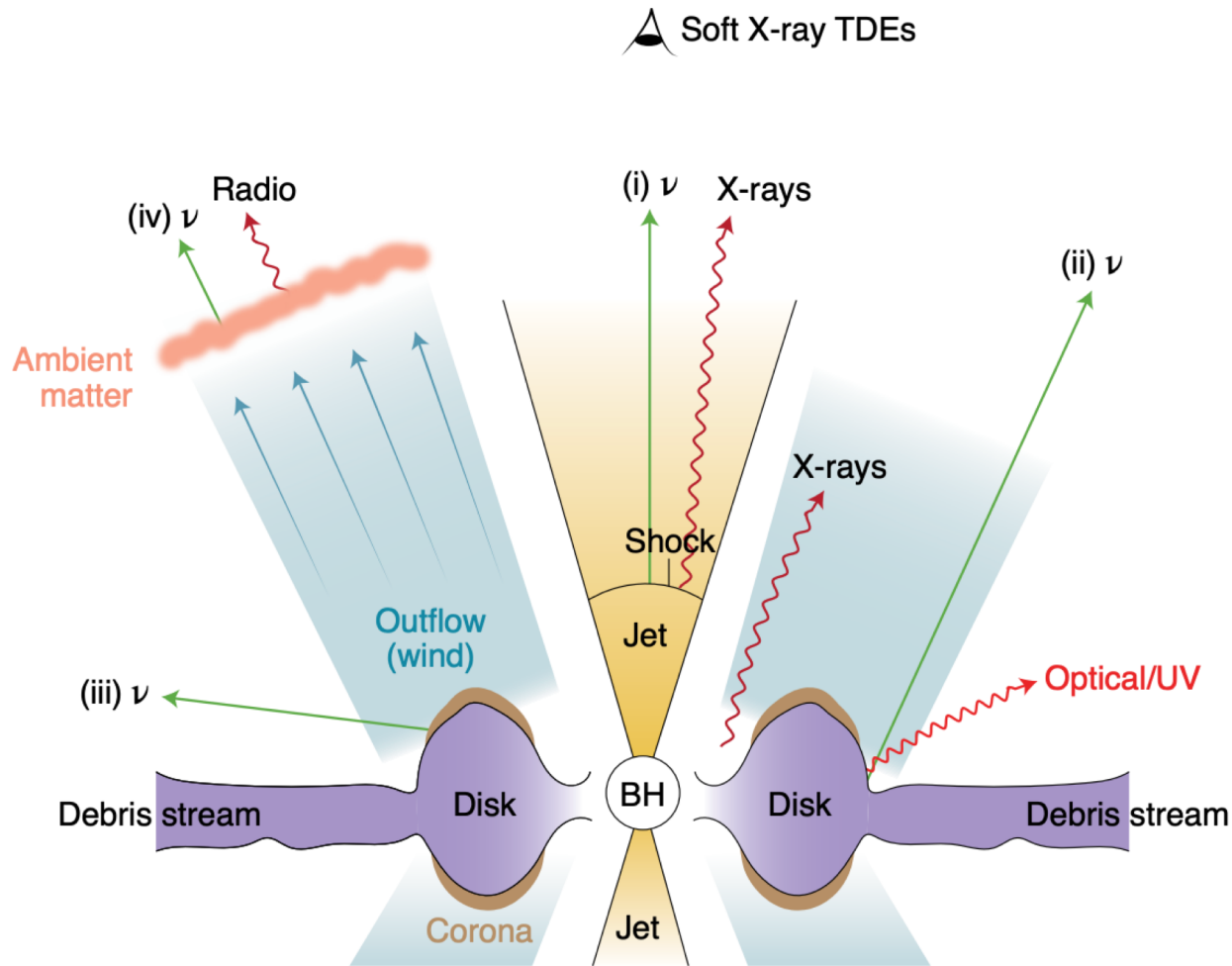


# TDE AT2019dsg / “Bran Stark” coincident with 200 TeV Neutrino IC191001A





# Neutrino Production in TDEs



Resulted in several modeling papers:

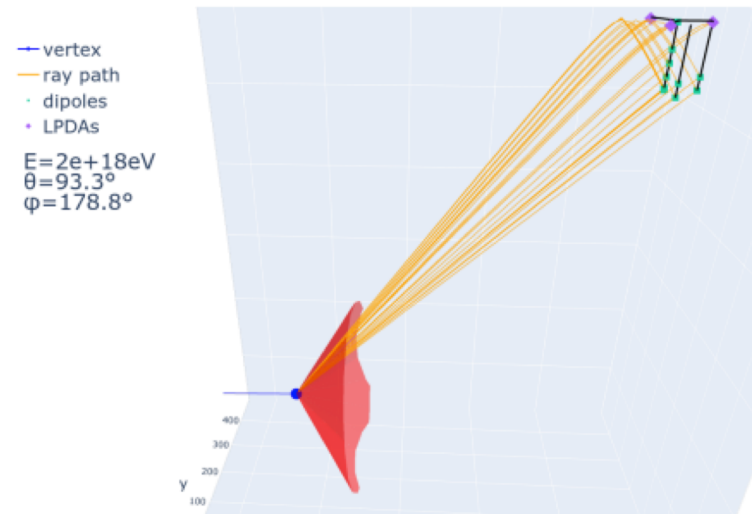
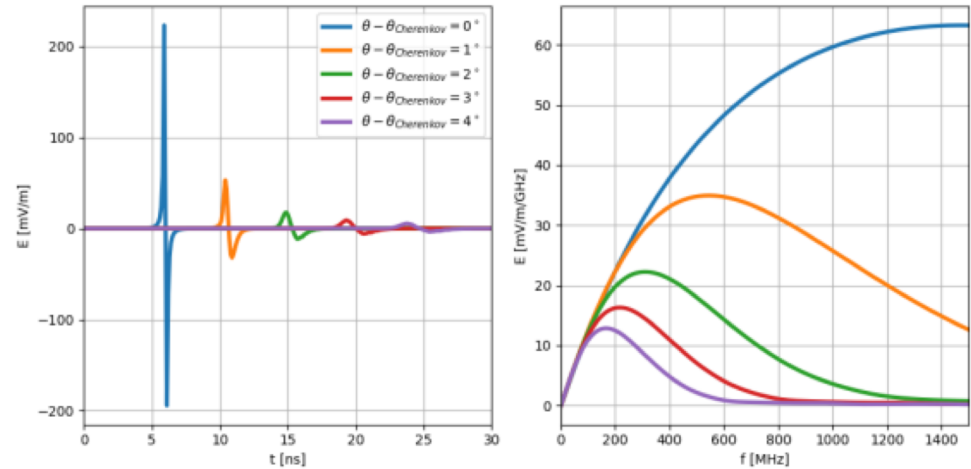
- Winter & Lunardini, Nature Astronomy 2021
- Liu et al. PRD, 102 (2020)
- Murase et al. ApJ 902 (2020)

Optical/UV TDEs

# Radio emission of showers in dense media

## What are we looking for?

- **Askaryan effect:** Charge accumulation in the shower front gives rise to a changing current, which gives rise to radio emission
- Emission is coherent at frequencies corresponding to the size of the shower
- Index of refraction  $\gg 1$ , emission strong on the Cherenkov cone, travel on non-straight lines with changing  $n$
- Signals contain information in amplitude, frequency and polarisation



# Spectrum of NGC 1068 (M77)

