

Neutrino Point Sources in B10 Data

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Overview

- Introduction
- Neutrinos a-plenty
- Quality Cut Optimization
- 3-year Combination
- Result

Details: [Wiki/B10_Point_Source_Search](#)

Cut Method (Neyman-Pearson)

$\sigma_{\text{paraboloid}}$

$\text{smooth}_{\text{phit}}$

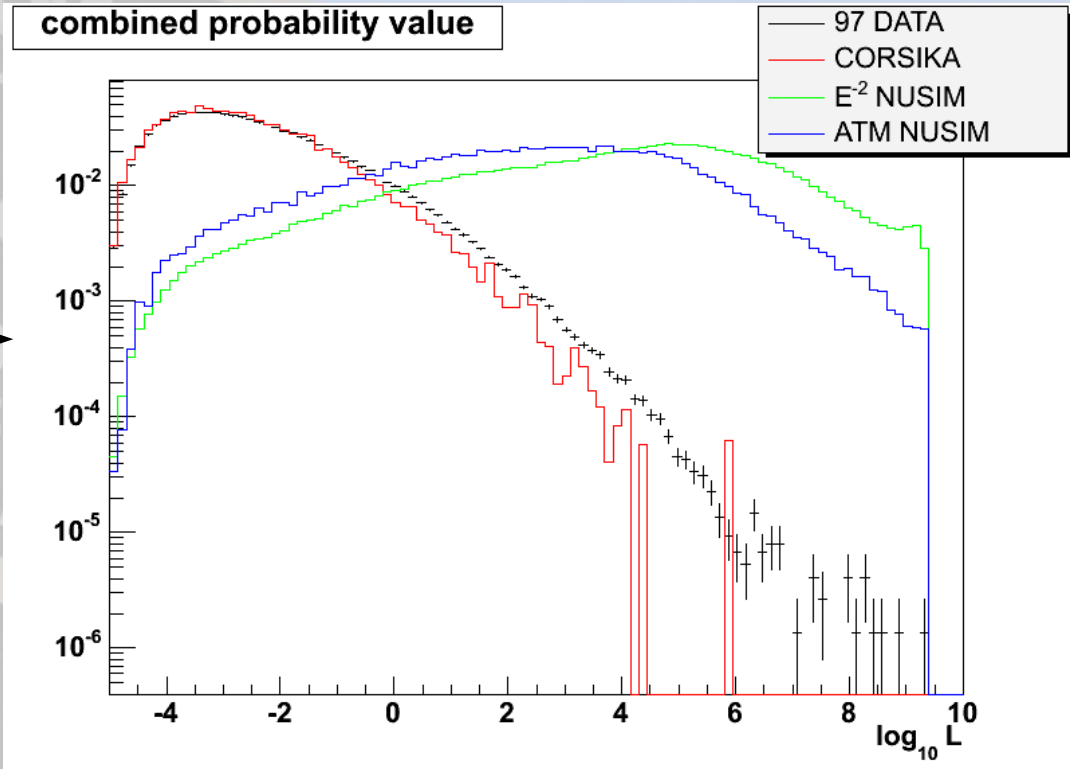
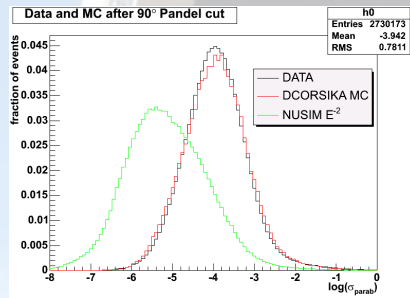
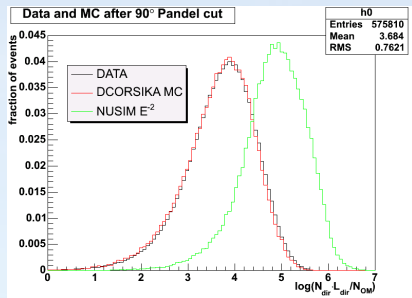
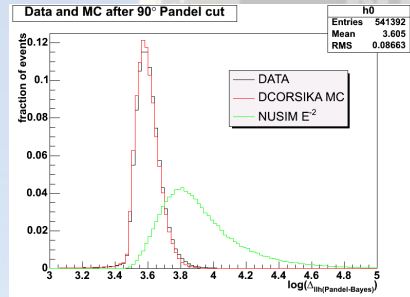
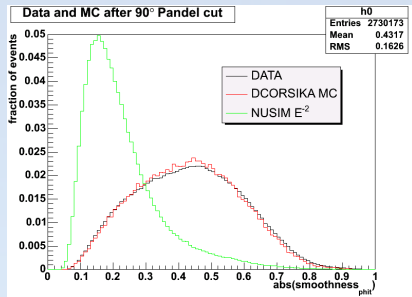
$\frac{L_{\text{dir}} * N_{\text{dir}}}{N_{\text{om}}}$

N_{om}

$\Delta_{\text{llh, unred}}$

$$\Lambda(\vec{x}) = \frac{\text{pdf}(\vec{x}|S)}{\text{pdf}(\vec{x}|B)} \approx \prod_{i=1}^{N_{\text{obs}}} \frac{\text{pdf}(x_i|S)}{\text{pdf}(x_i|B)}$$

Cut Method

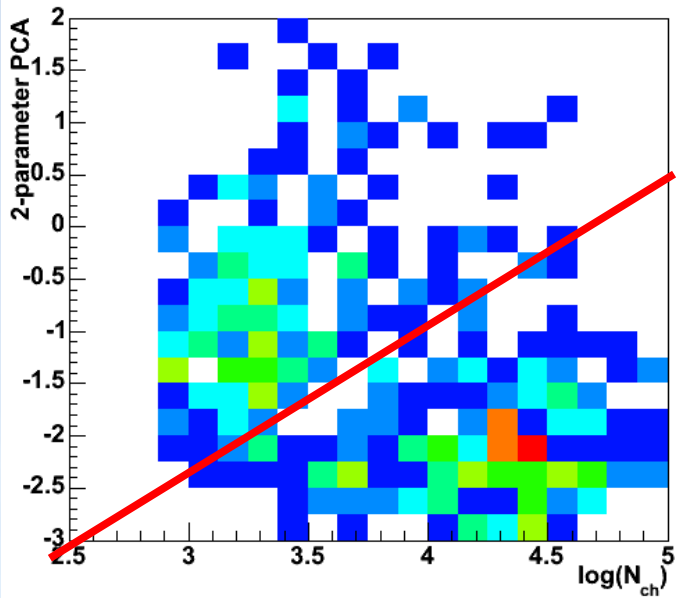


Motion Picture

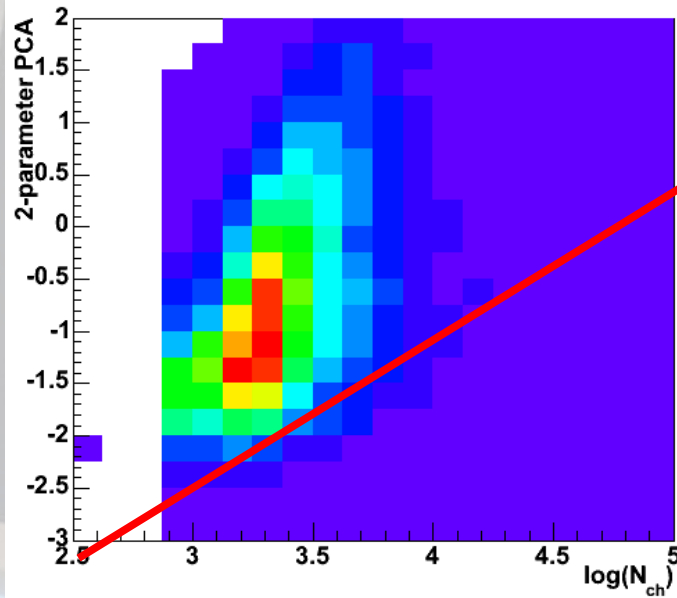


Example Neutrino Cuts

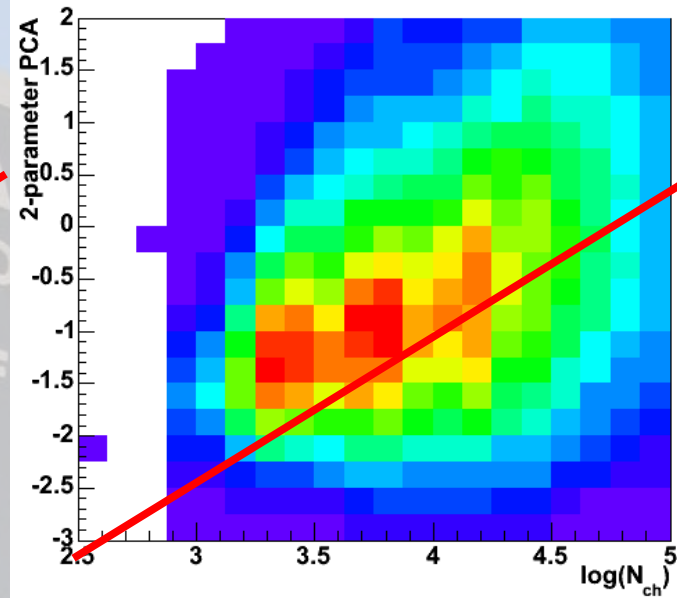
1999 Data, cut value = 4.3



NUSIM ν_{atm}

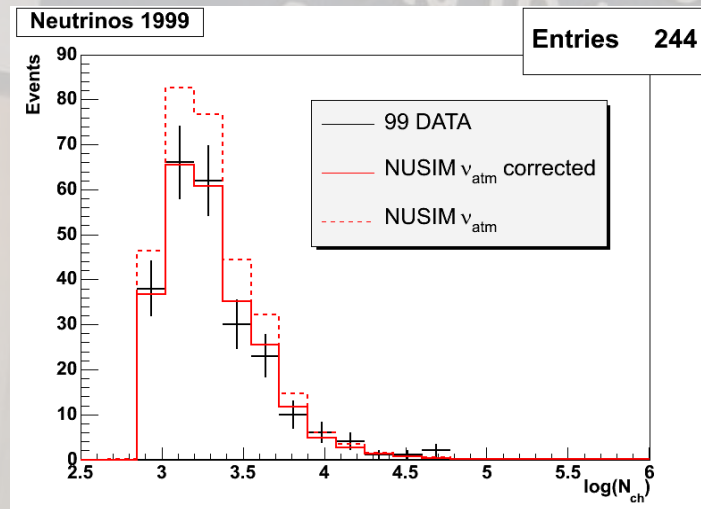
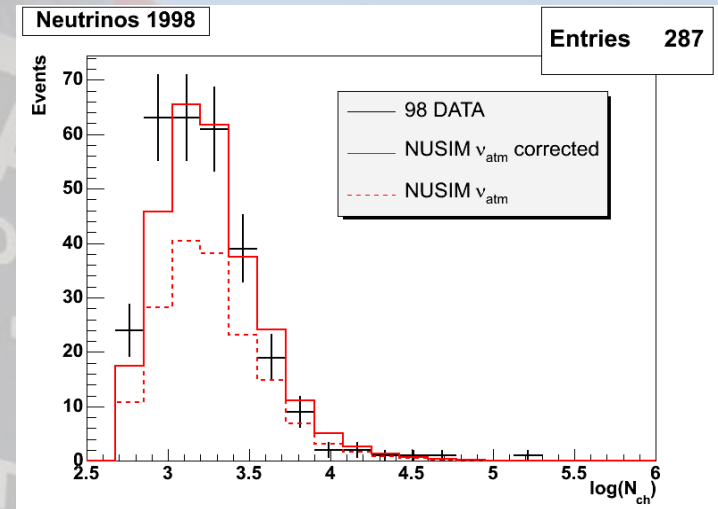
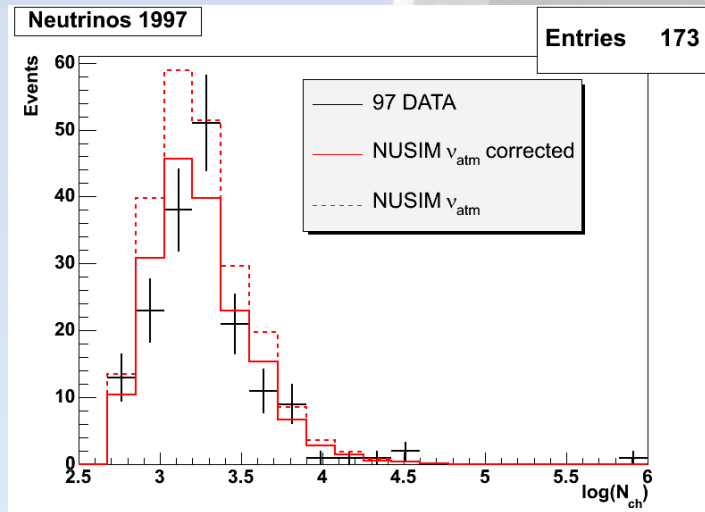


NUSIM E^2



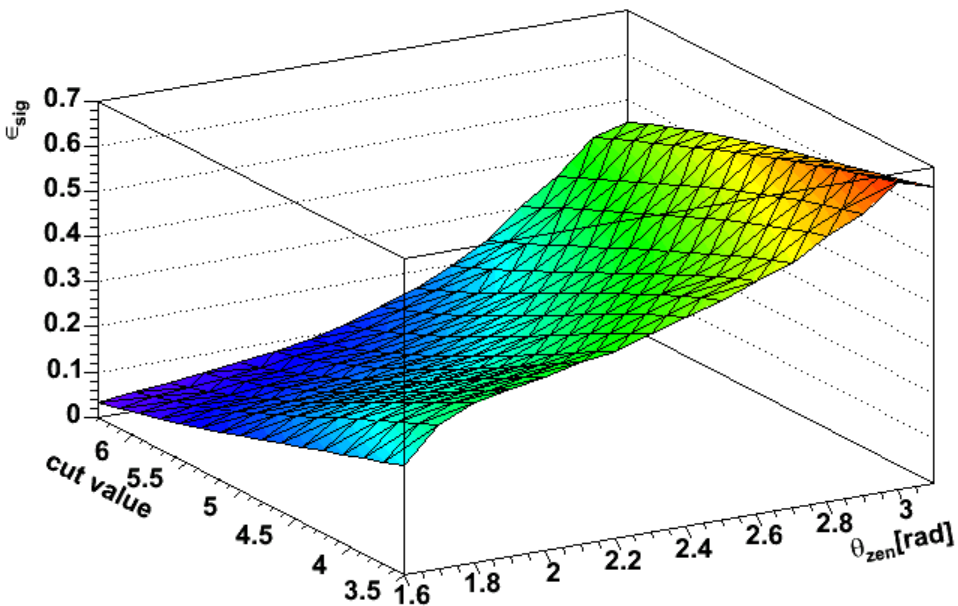
Cut **NOT** used for analysis

Example Neutrino Samples



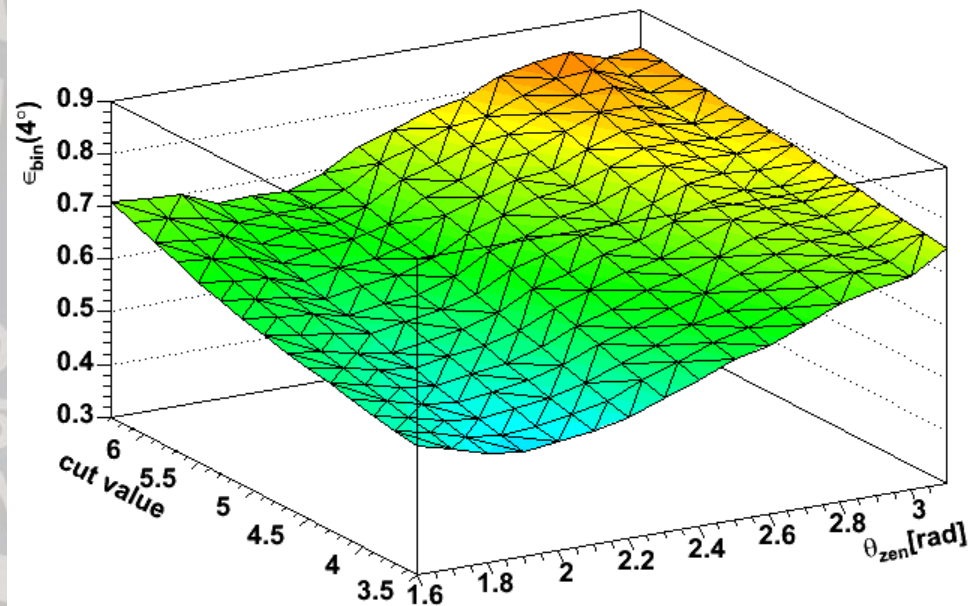
Cut Optimization (1 year)

1999 E⁻² NUSIM



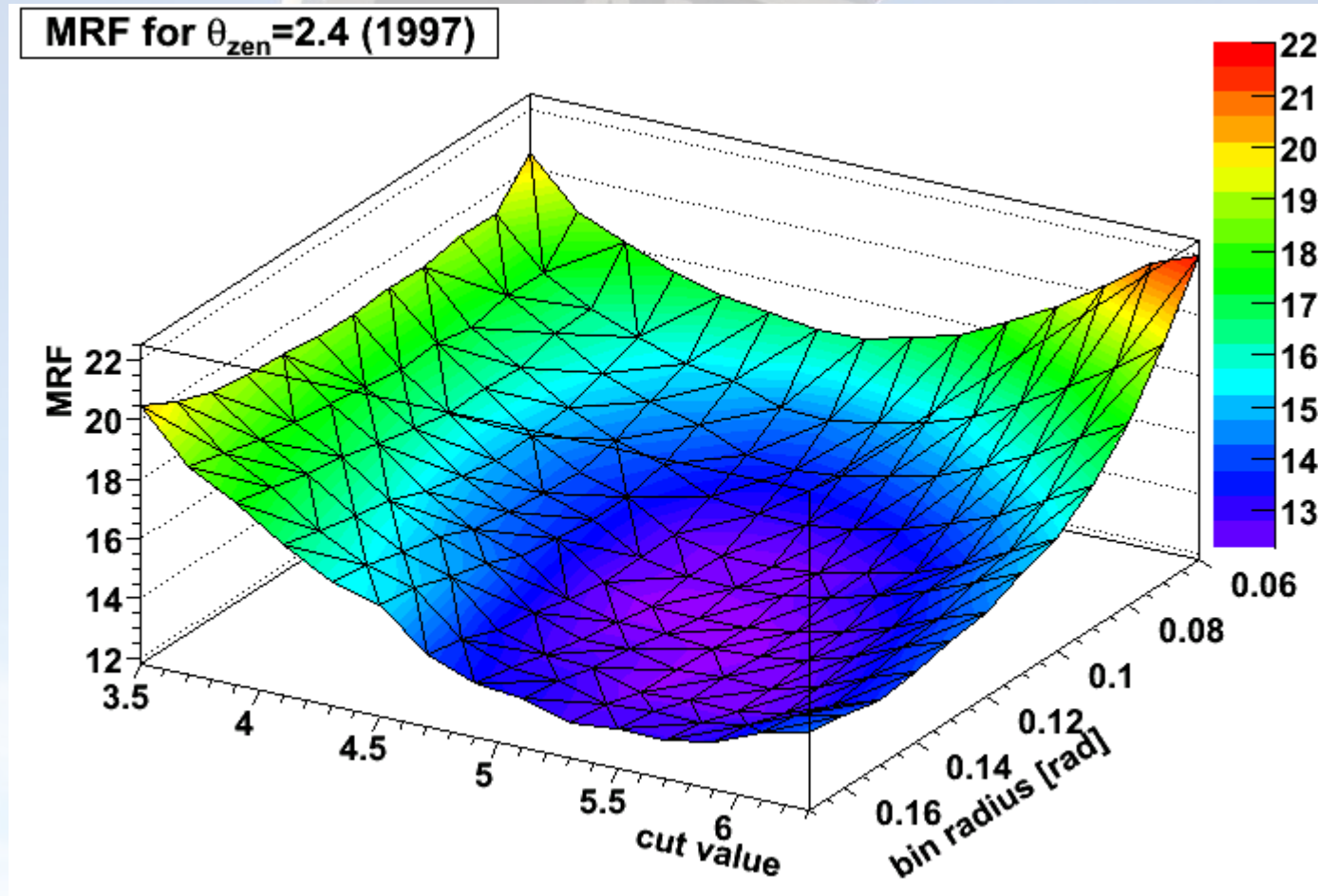
Signal Efficiency

1999 E⁻² NUSIM



PSF

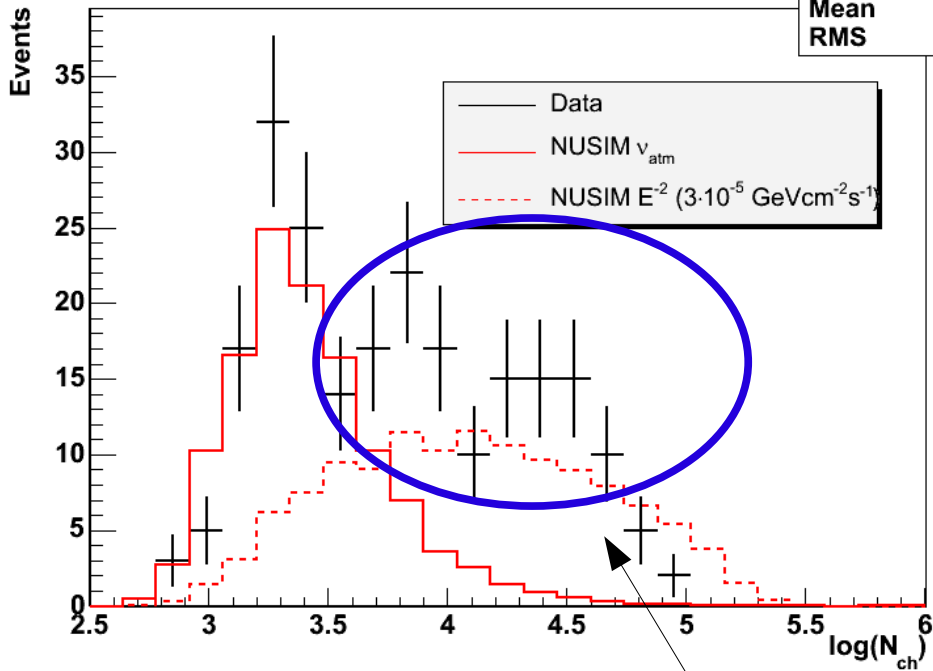
Cut Optimization (1 year)



1-Year Optimized Sample (1997)

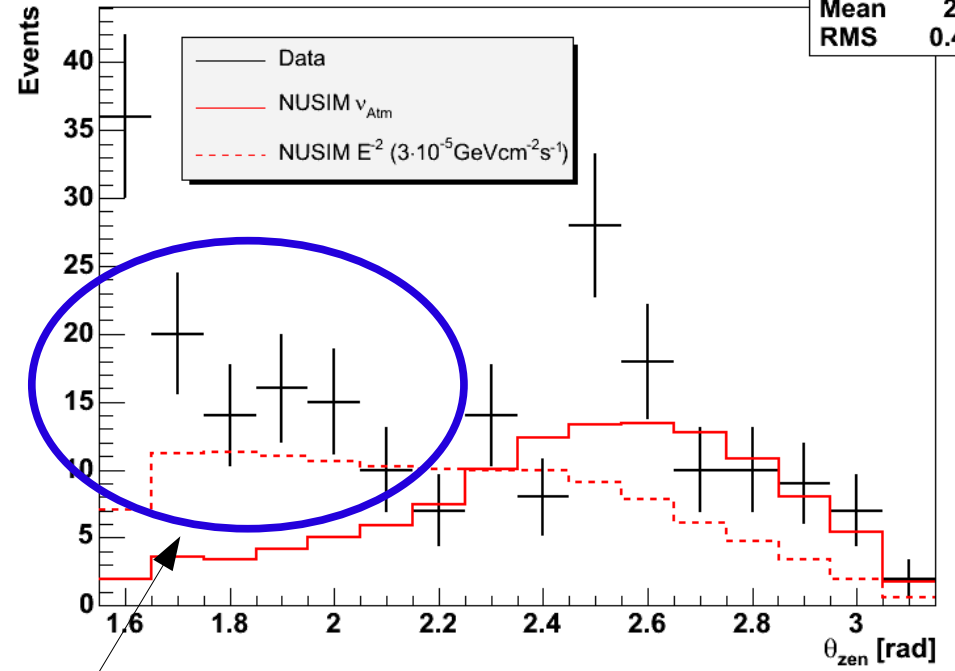
1997 single-year optimization

h0	
Entries	224
Mean	3.795
RMS	0.521



1997 Single-Year Optimization

h0	
Entries	224
Mean	2.189
RMS	0.4448



Almost half of the events are atmospheric muons!

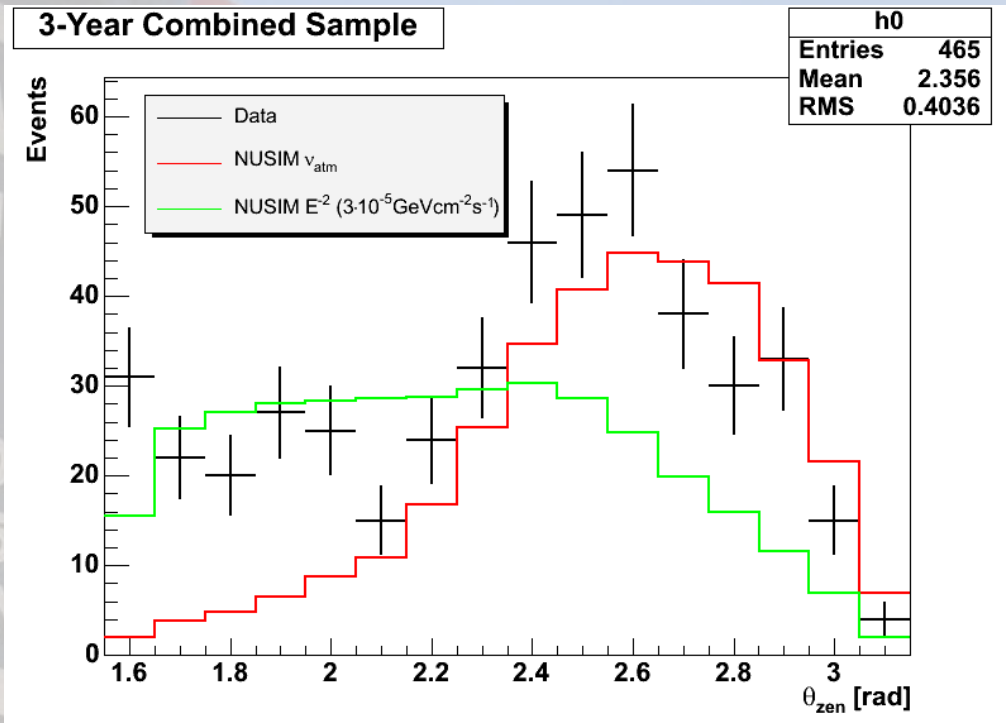
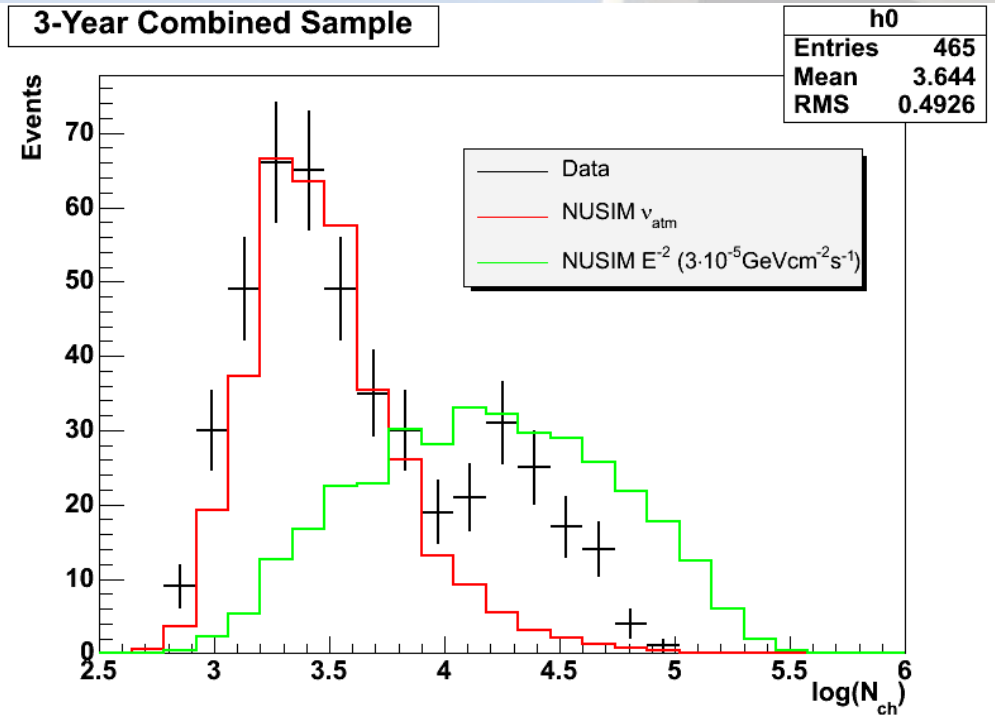
Three-Year Optimization

$$P(\vec{n}_{obs} | \Phi) = \prod P(n_{obs,i} | n_{bg,i}, \frac{\Phi}{n_{sig,i}})$$

Construct combined confidence belt -> G. Hill

Three-year combination allows tightening of cuts,
reduction of atmospheric muons in final event sample

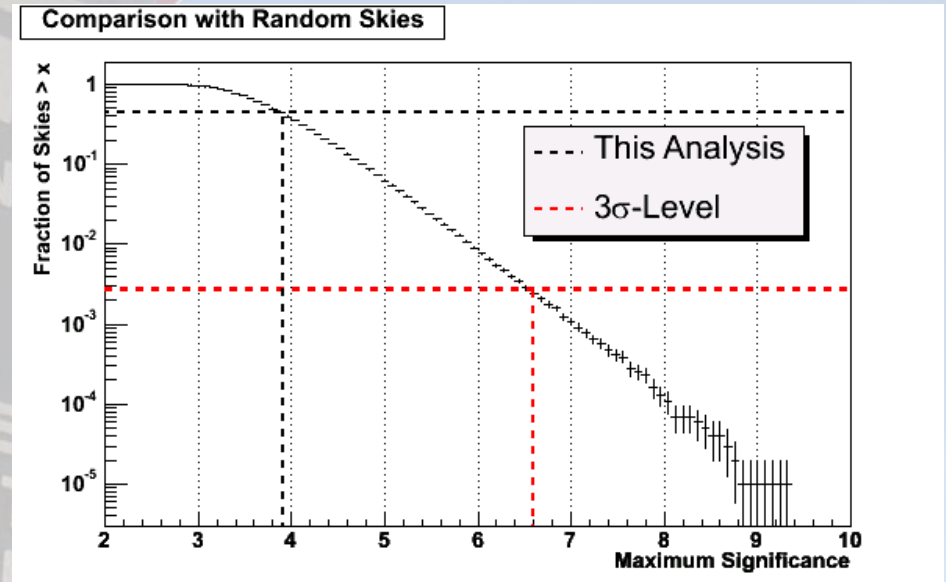
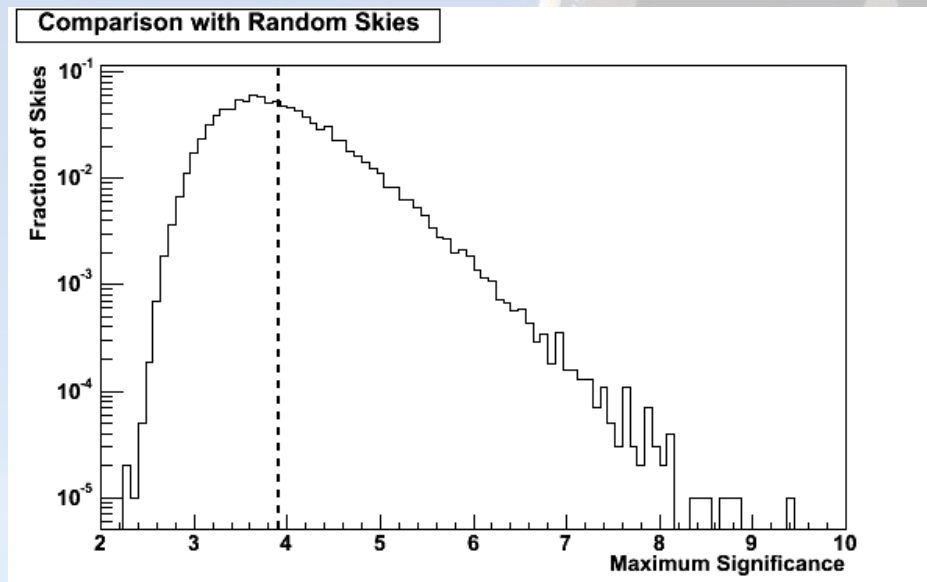
Combined Optimized Sample



1997	128 events
1998	166 events
1999	171 events

Atmospheric Muon Background
reduced to about 25%

Result: Significance

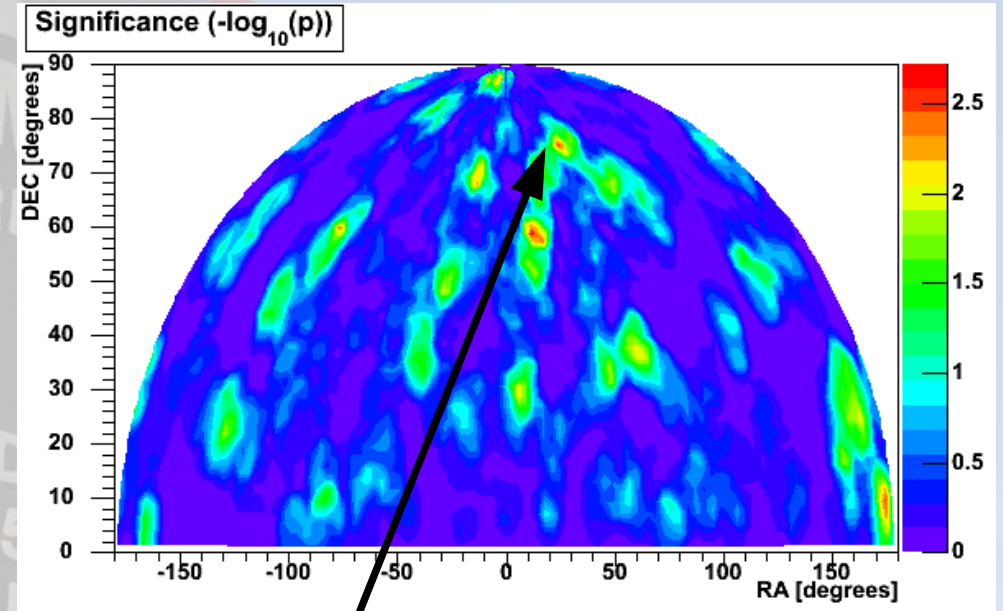
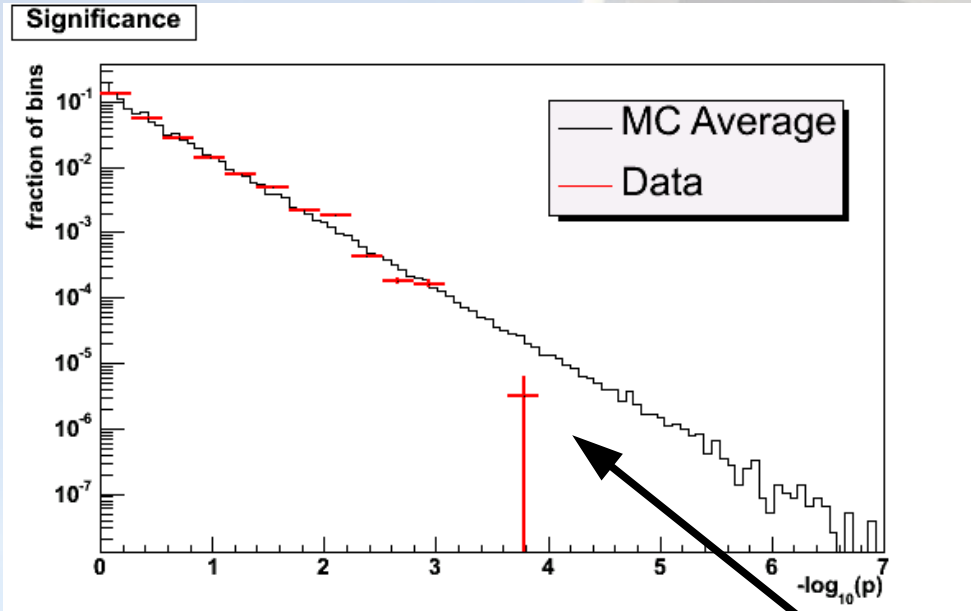


$$sig \equiv -\log_{10} P$$

Binning on grid with 0.5 degree spacing, 78000 grid points

45% of all random skies have higher maximum significance than data

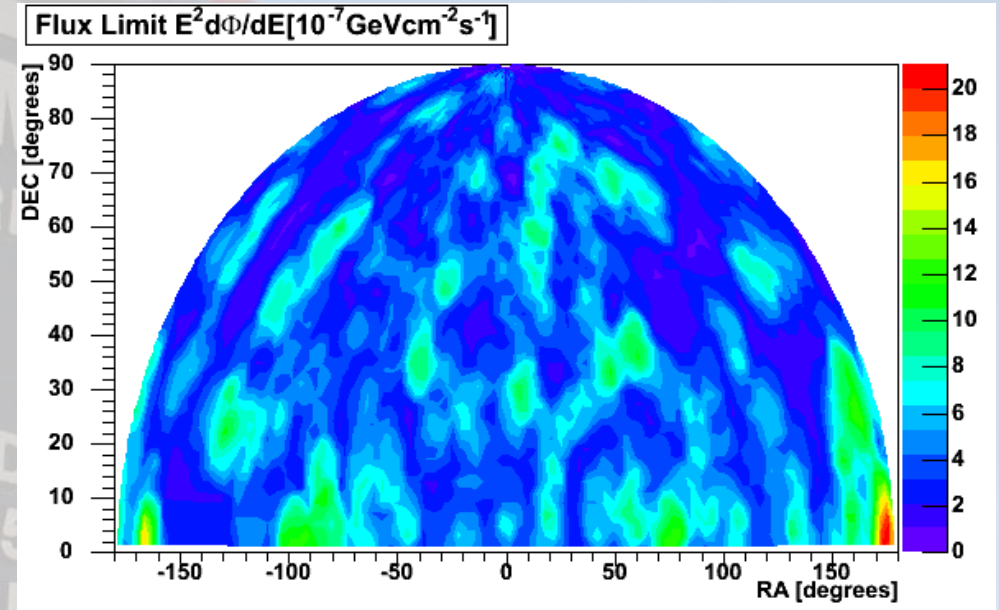
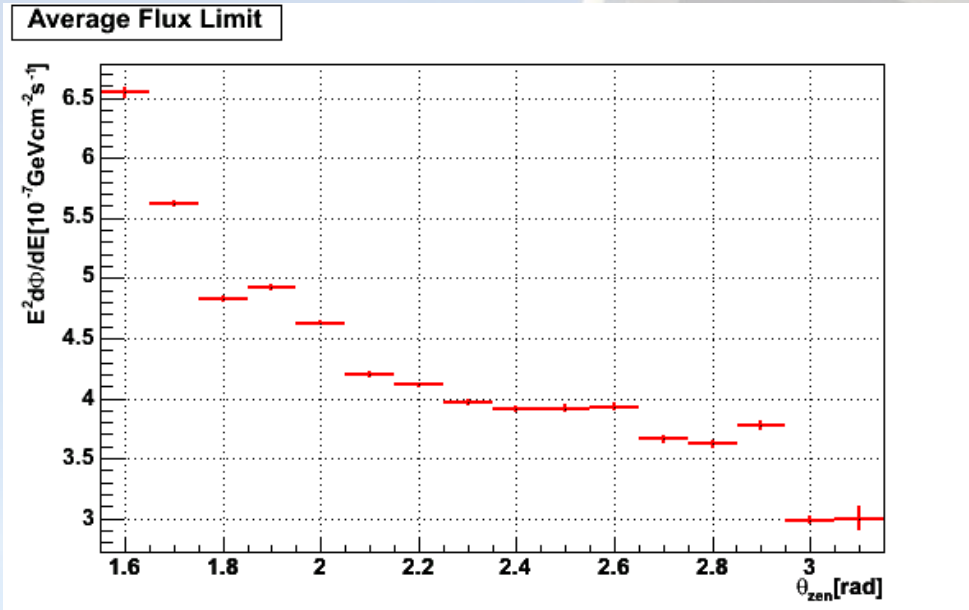
Result: Significance



DEC: +71.16deg RA: 3h 44min

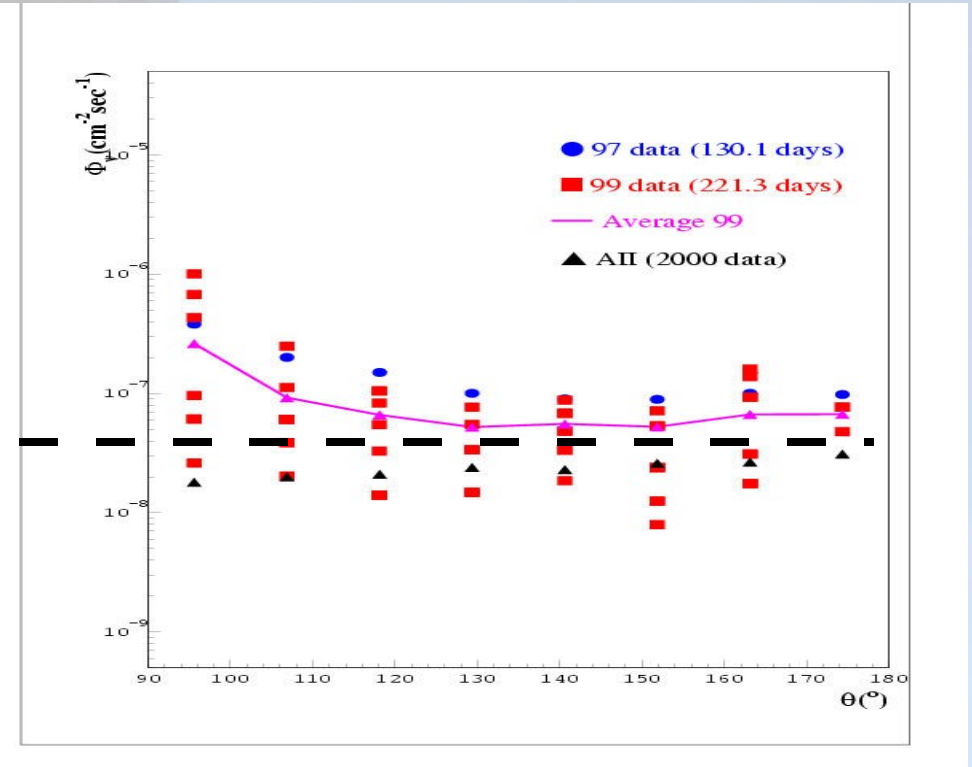
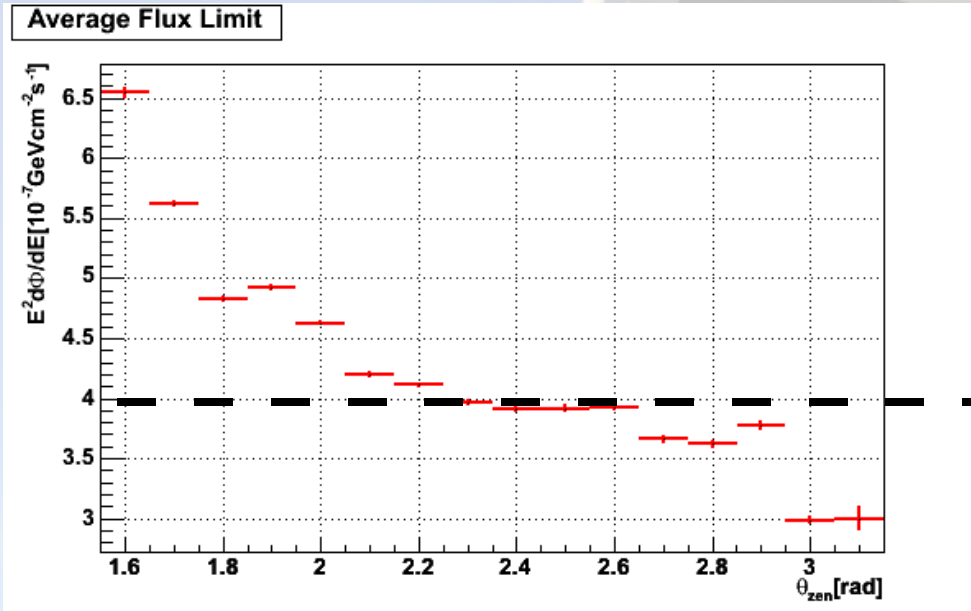
Hot spots not coincident with any (Amanda-II) candidate sources
Unusually smooth event distribution

Result: Flux Limit



$$E^2 \frac{d\Phi}{dE} = 3 - 5 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ GeV cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Result: Flux Limit



Best B10 limit yet
Not quite one A2 year

Conclusion

- Best B10 Point-Source Limit
- First PS analysis using 1998 data
- First Use of Neyman-Pearson Parameter
- LR combination of event samples
- No Sources Found