

# **Neutrino Astronomy**

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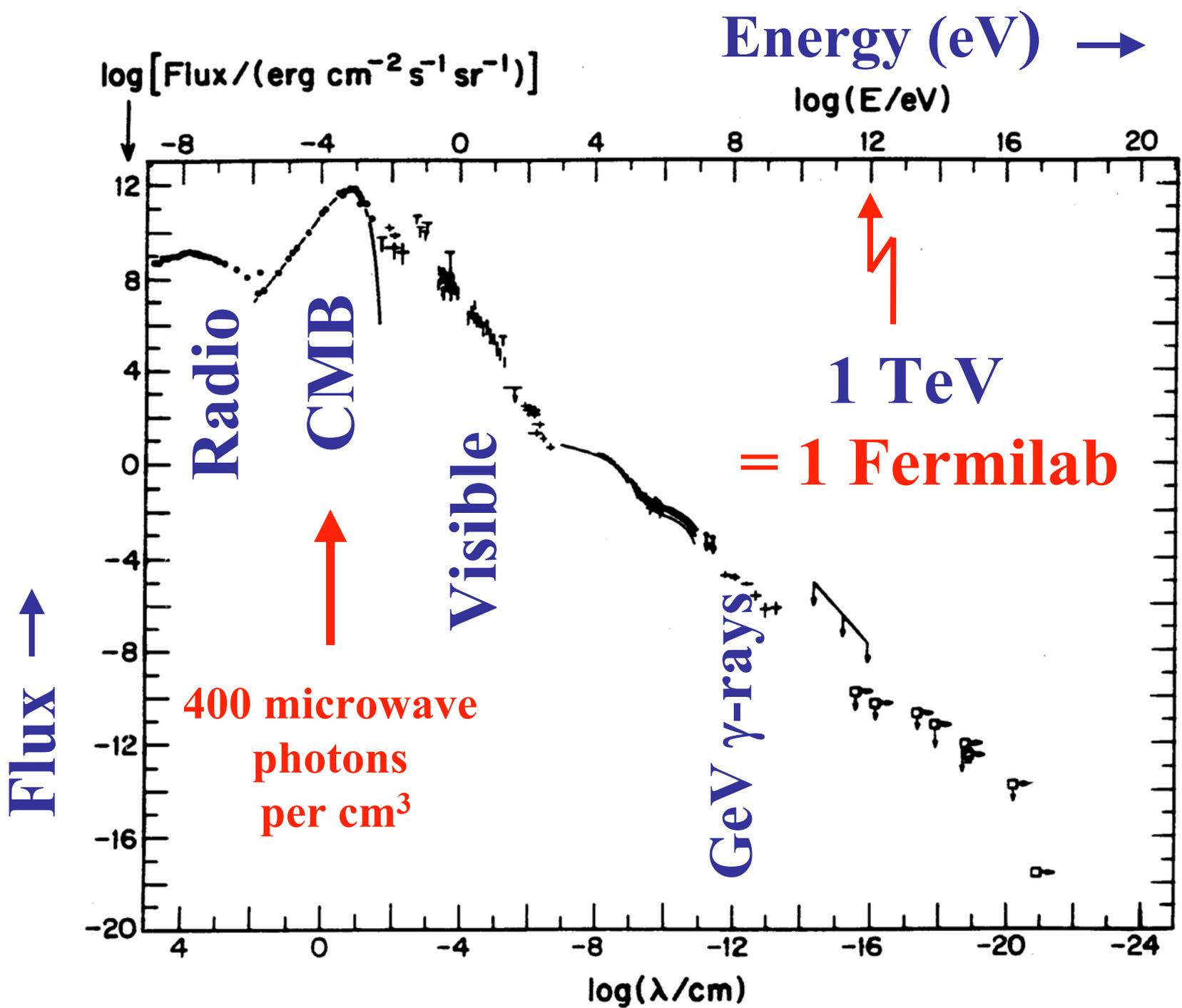
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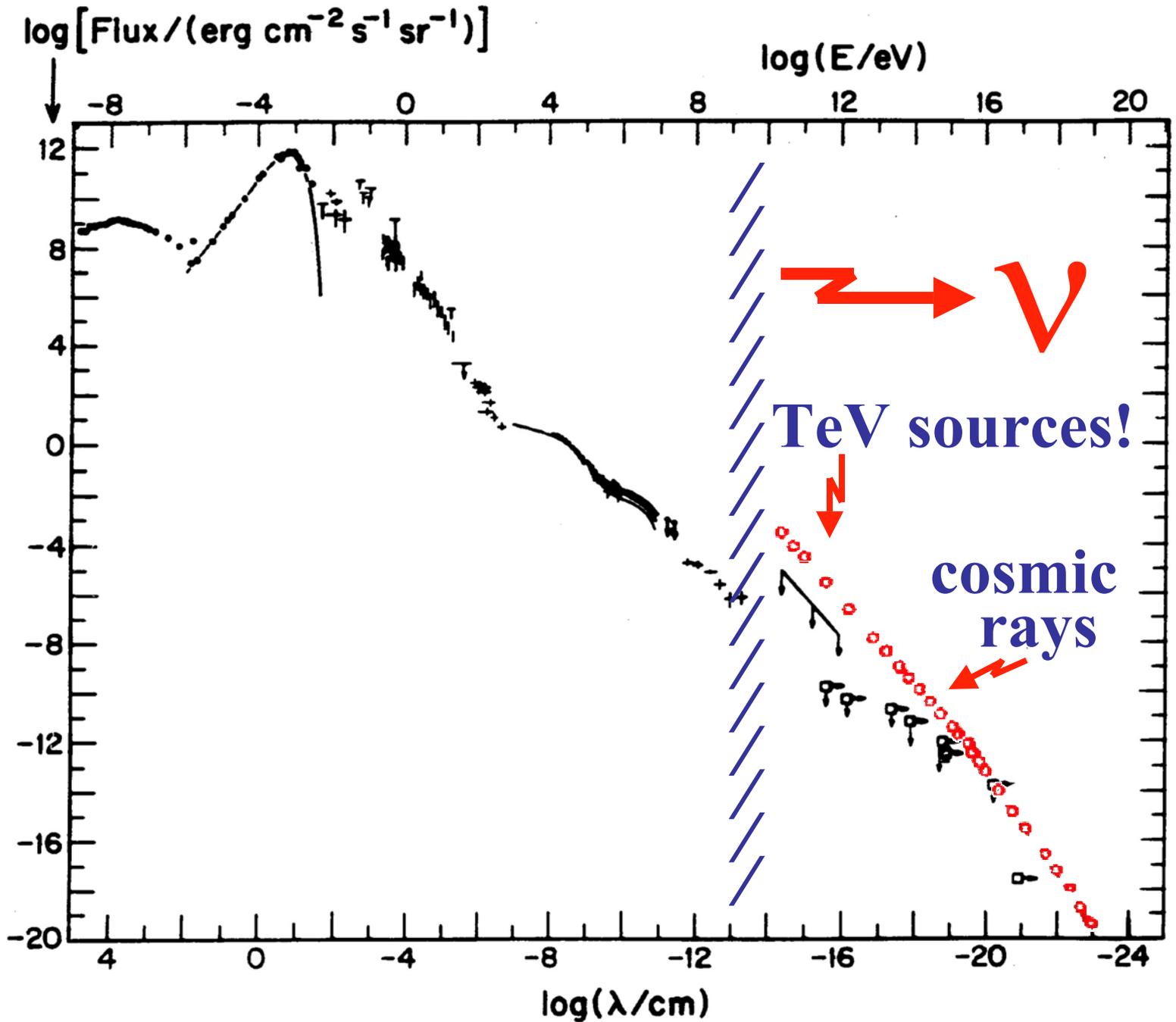
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# $\nu$ astronomy

- $\nu$  astronomy requires  
kilometer-scale detectors
- Proof of concept:  
AMANDA reaches  $\sim 0.1 \text{ km}^2 \text{ year}$
- Baikal, ANTARES, NESTOR, RICE...  
→ IceCube, ANITA, NEMO...





# Multi-Messenger Astronomy

**Protons,  $\gamma$ -rays, neutrinos, [gravitational waves] as probes of the high-energy Universe**

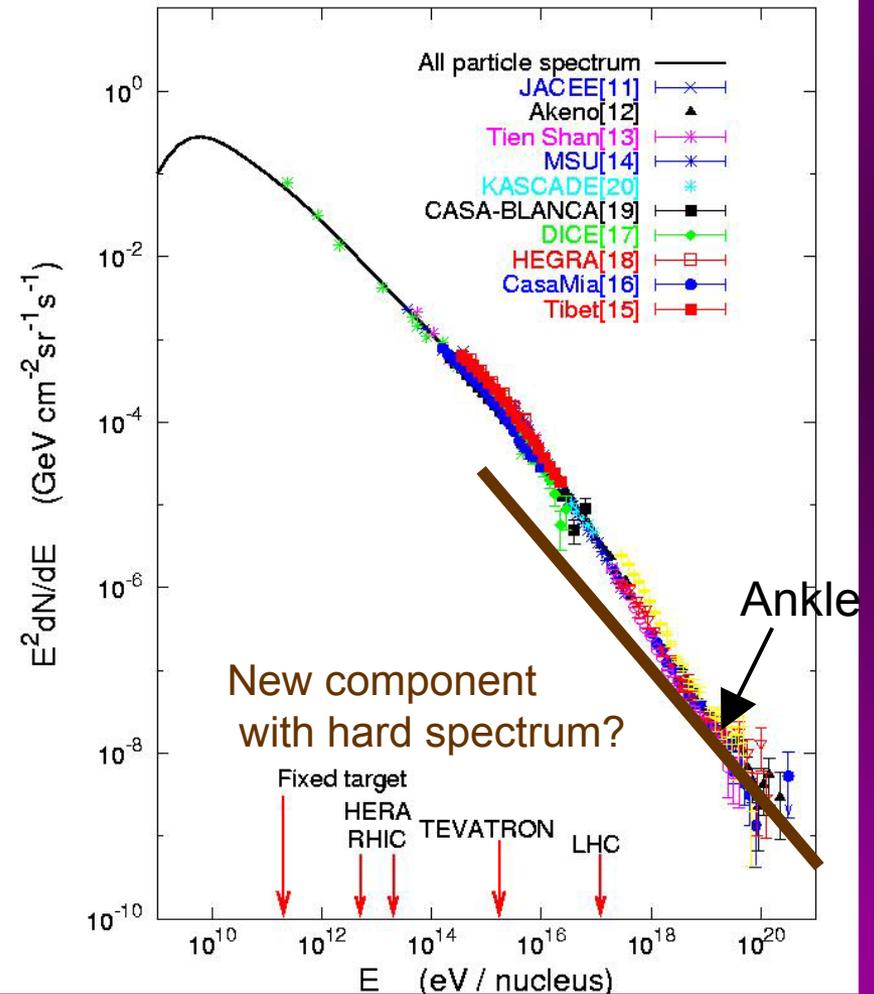
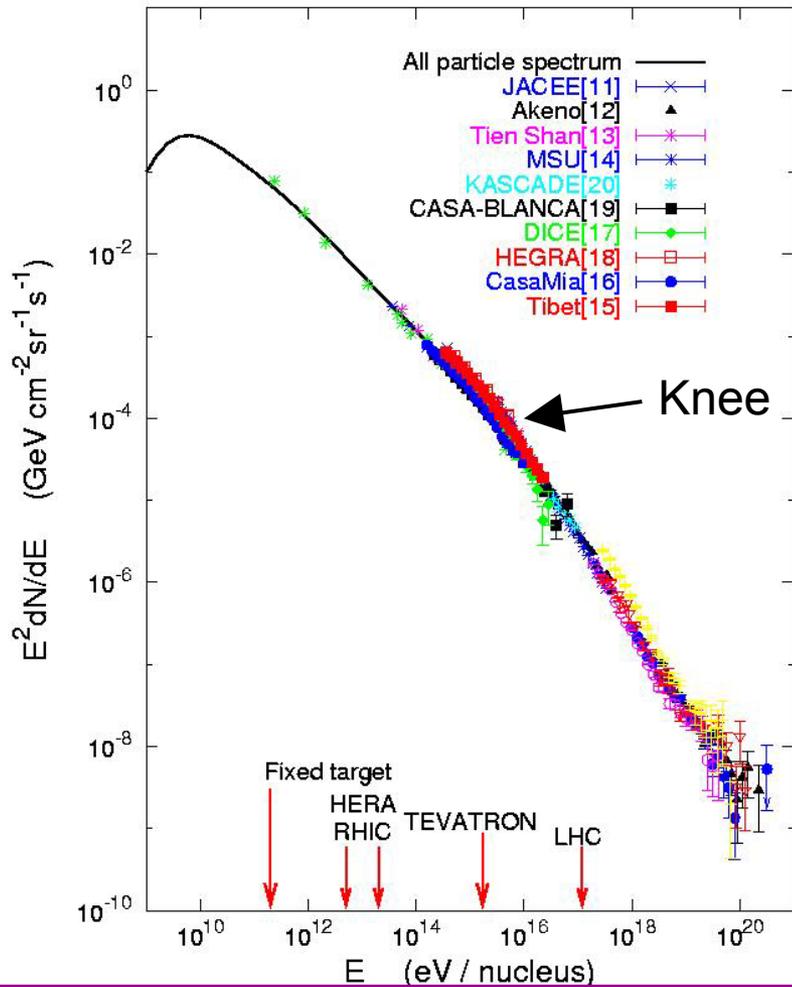
1. **Protons: directions scrambled by magnetic fields**

2.  **$\gamma$ -rays : straight-line propagation but  
reprocessed in the sources  
extragalactic backgrounds absorb  $E_\gamma > \text{TeV}$**

3. **Neutrinos: straight-line propagation,  
unabsorbed, but difficult to detect**

**cosmic neutrinos associated  
with cosmic rays**

# Galactic and Extragalactic Cosmic Rays



Energy in extra-galactic cosmic rays  $\sim$   
 $3 \times 10^{-19}$  erg/cm<sup>3</sup> or  $10^{44}$  erg/yr per (Mpc)<sup>3</sup>  
for  $10^{10}$  years

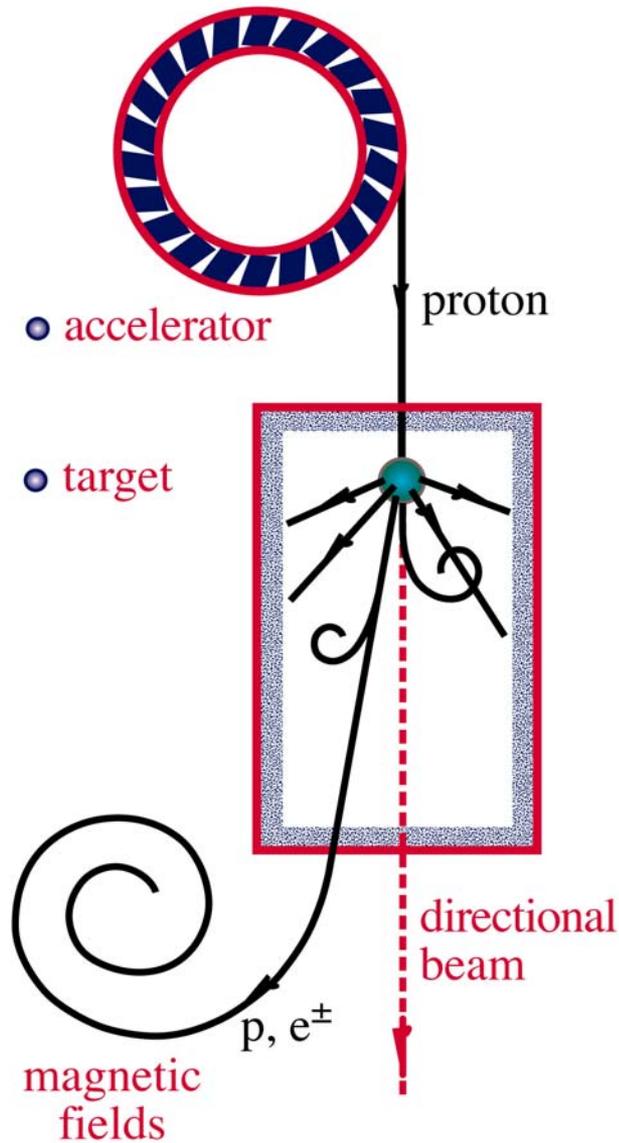
$3 \times 10^{39}$  erg/s per galaxy

$3 \times 10^{44}$  erg/s per active galaxy

$2 \times 10^{52}$  erg per gamma ray burst

**1 TeV = 1.6 erg**

# NEUTRINO BEAMS: HEAVEN & EARTH



black hole

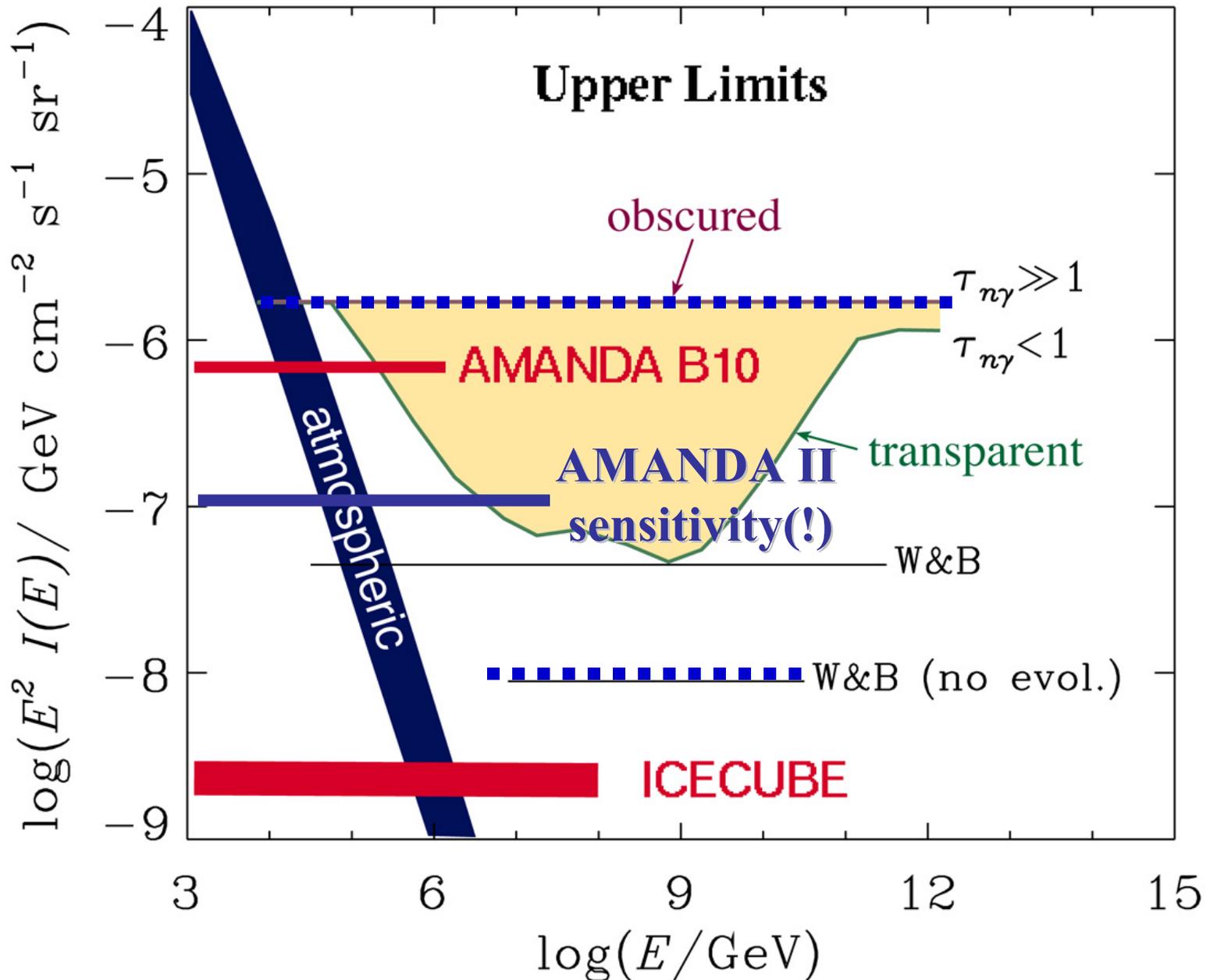


radiation  
enveloping  
black hole

$p + \gamma \rightarrow n + \pi^+$   
~ cosmic ray + neutrino

$\rightarrow p + \pi^0$   
~ cosmic ray + gamma

# neutrinos associated with the source of the cosmic rays?

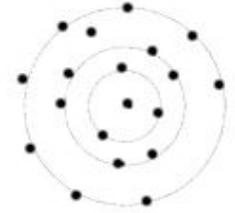


# AMANDA-II



(a)

Depth



top view

200 m

Requires kilometer-scale detectors  
neutrino detectors



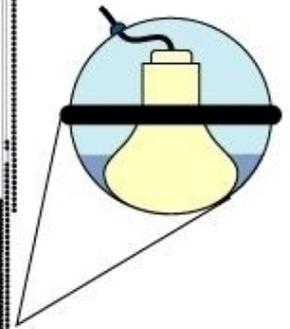
(b)

1500 m



2000 m

2500 m



# Alternatively... Models of Cosmic Rays

## Bottom up

- GRB fireballs
- Jets in active galaxies
- Accretion shocks in galaxy clusters
- Galaxy mergers
- Young supernova remnants
- Pulsars, Magnetars
- Mini-quasars
- ...
- Observed showers either **protons** (or nuclei)

## Top-down

- Radiation from topological defects
- Decays of massive relic particles in Galactic halo
- Resonant neutrino interactions on relic  $\nu$ 's (Z-bursts)
- **Mostly pions (neutrinos, photons, not protons)**

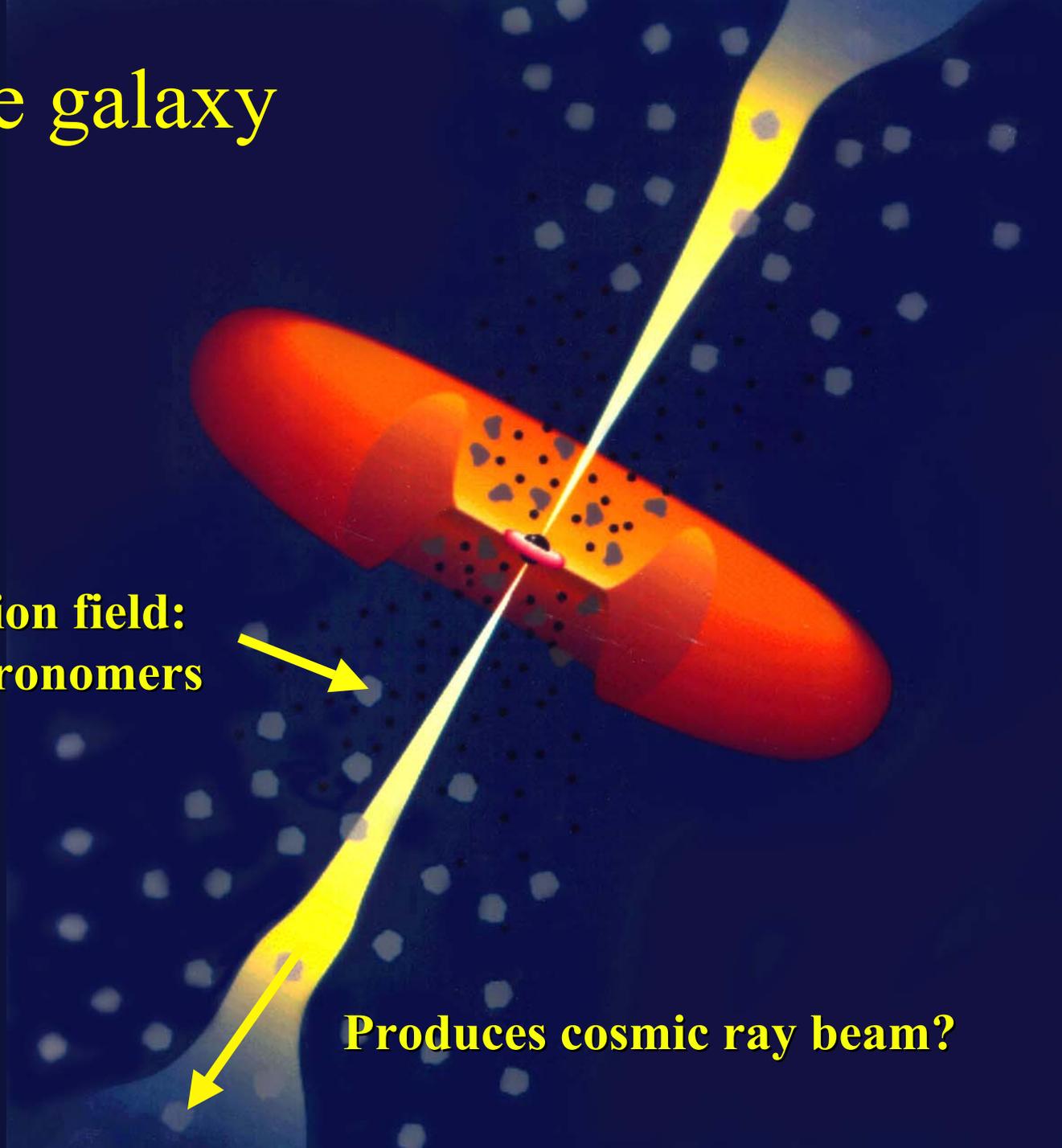
## Disfavored!

- **Highest energy cosmic rays are not gamma rays**
- **Overproduce TeV-neutrinos**

active galaxy

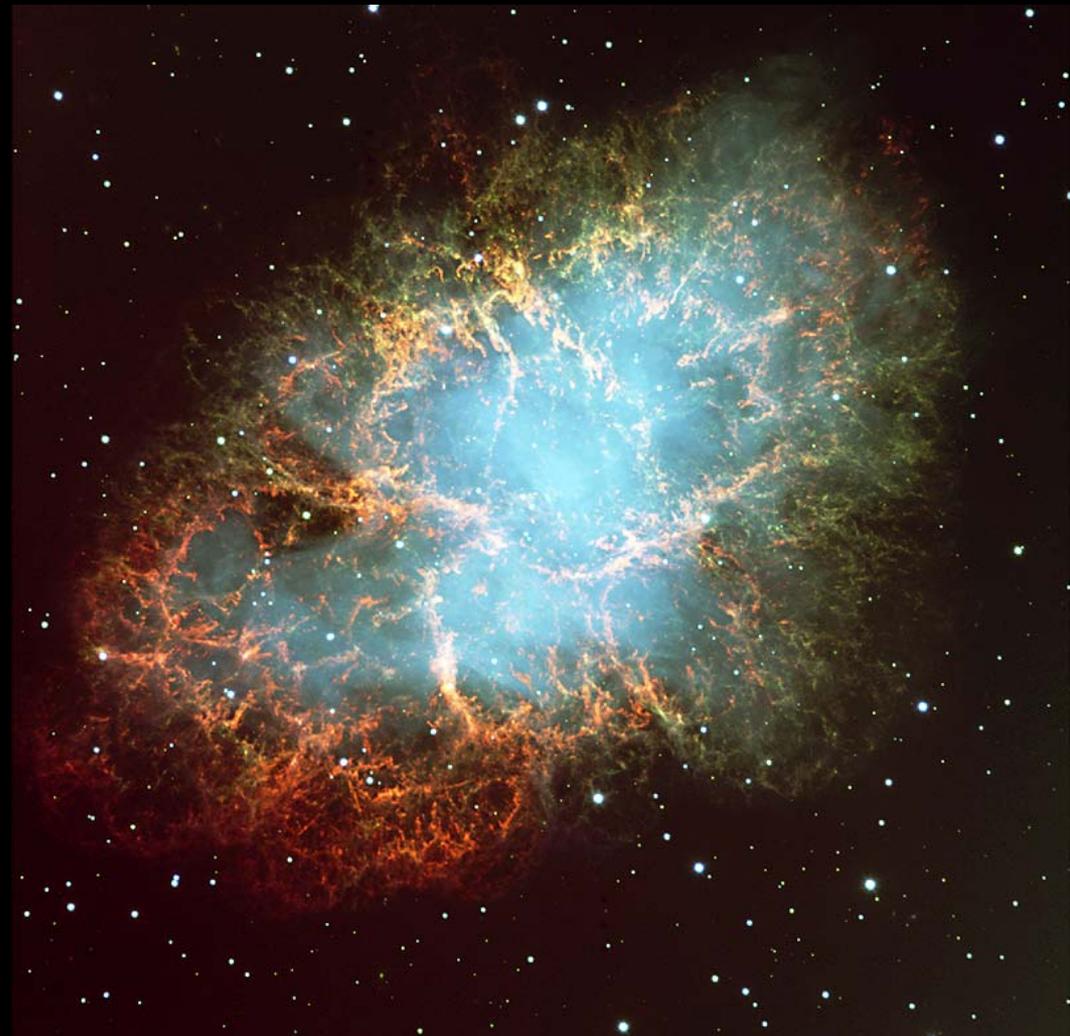
**Radiation field:  
Ask astronomers**

**Produces cosmic ray beam?**

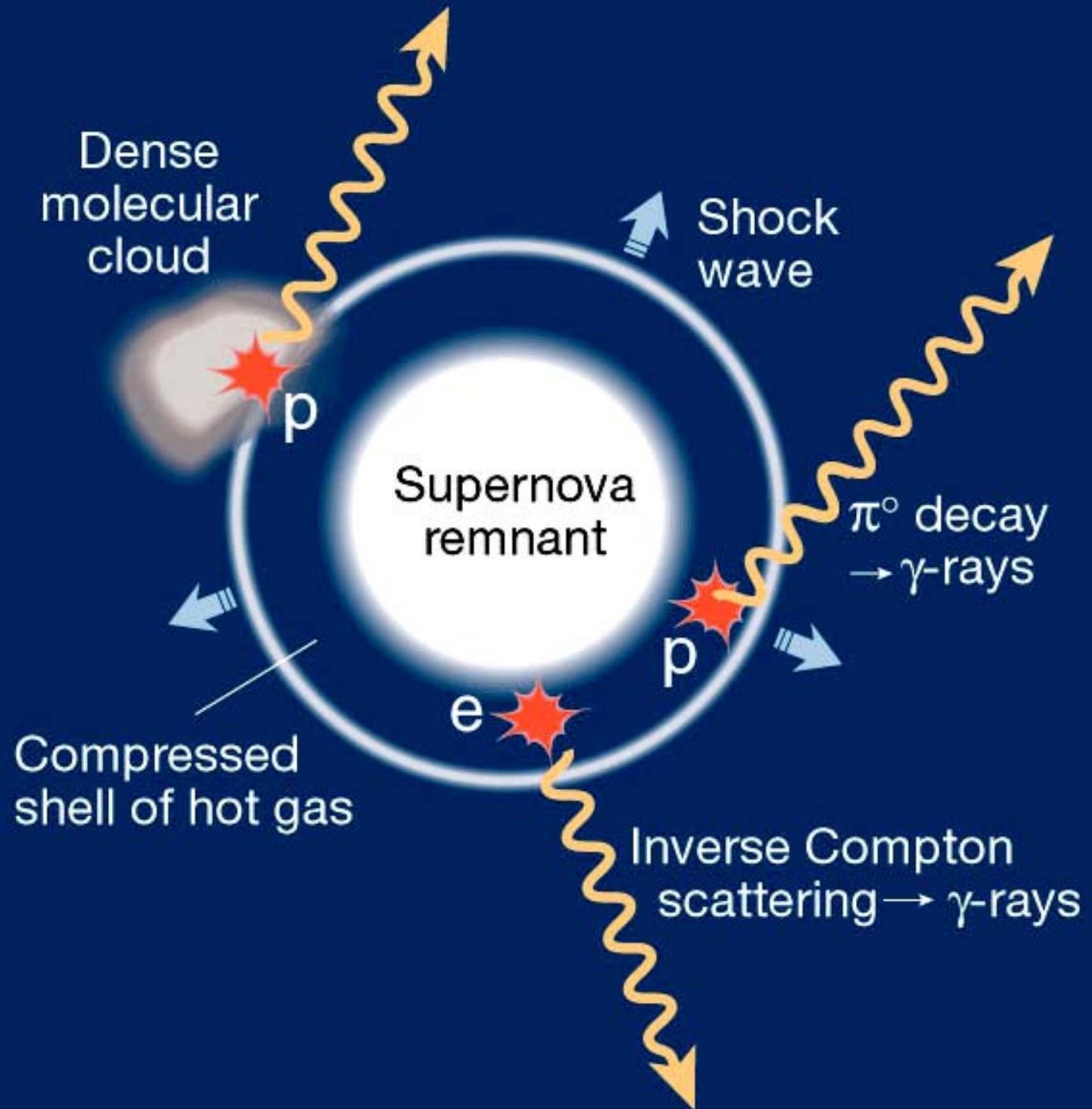


# Supernova shocks expanding in interstellar medium

***Crab nebula***



# Galactic Beam Dump



# Modeling yields the same conclusion:

- *Line-emitting quasars such as 3C279*  
Beam: blazar jet with equal power in electrons and protons  
Target: external quasi-isotropic radiation
- *Supernova remnants such as RX 1713.7-3946 (?)*  
Beam: shock in interstellar medium  
Target: molecular cloud

$$N_{\text{events}} \sim 10 \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ year}^{-1}$$

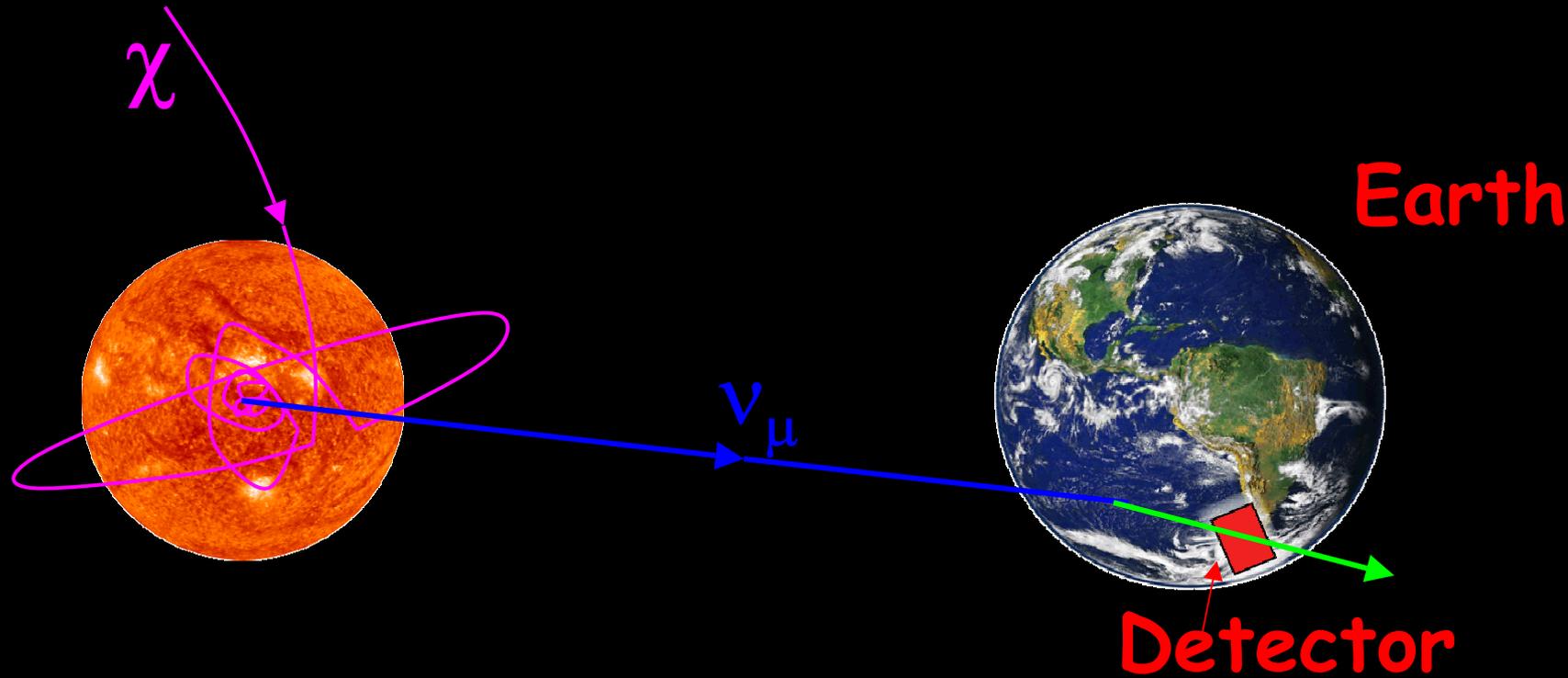
# the science: a sampler

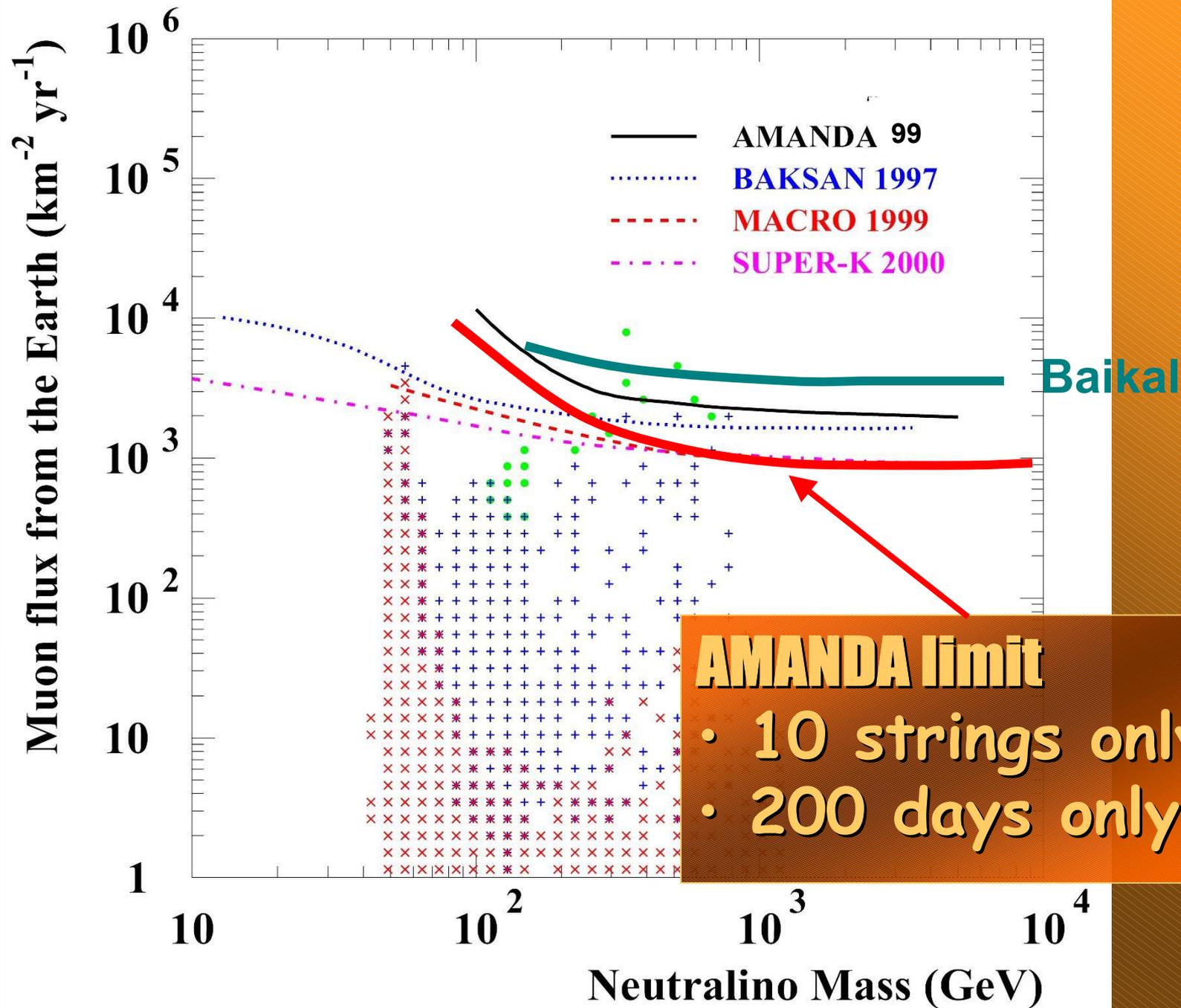
- **Source(s) of cosmic rays:**  
gamma-ray bursts, active galaxies,  
cosmological remnants...?

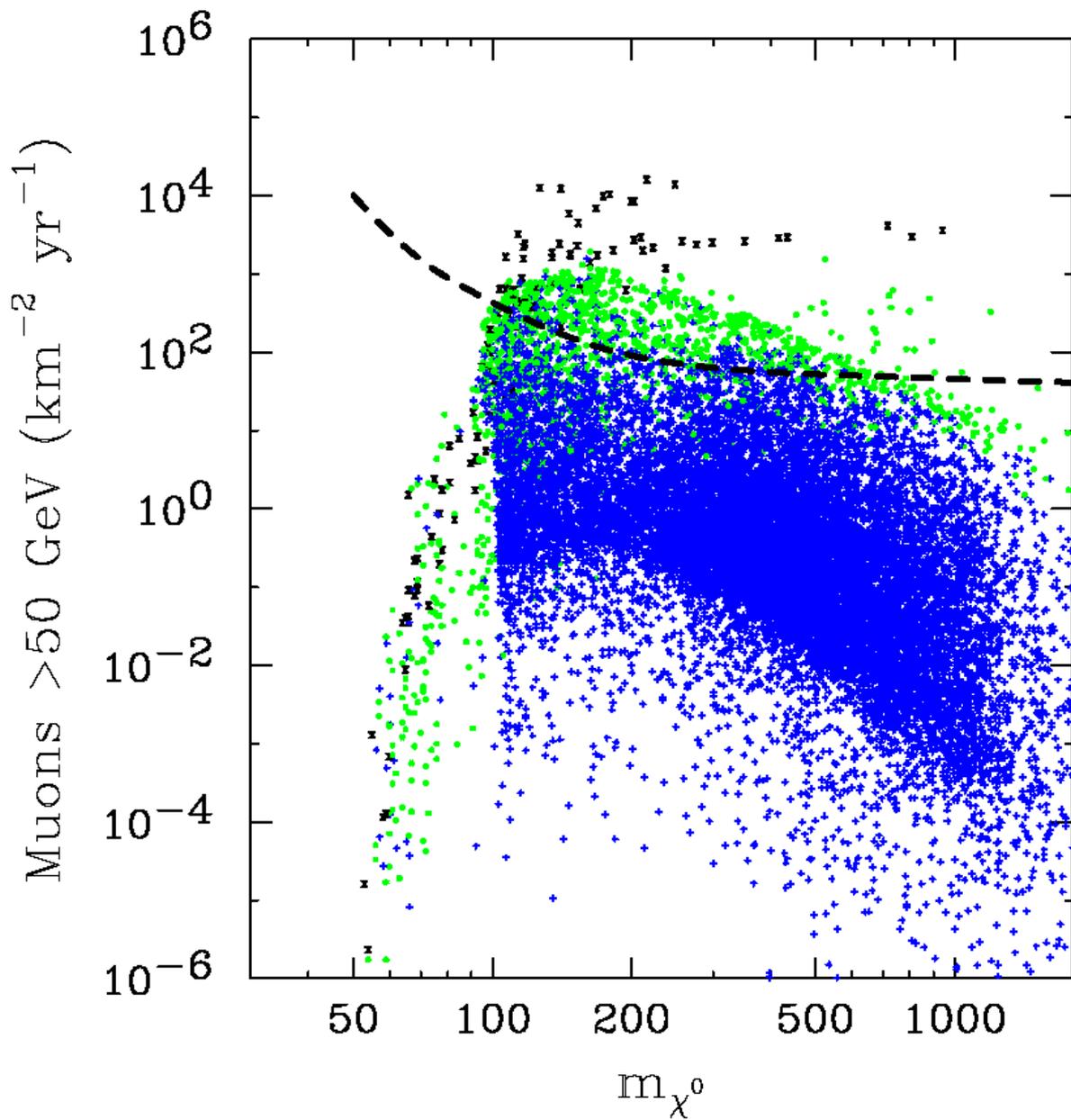
- **Dark matter**

- **Higher compact dimensions...**

# WIMP capture and annihilation







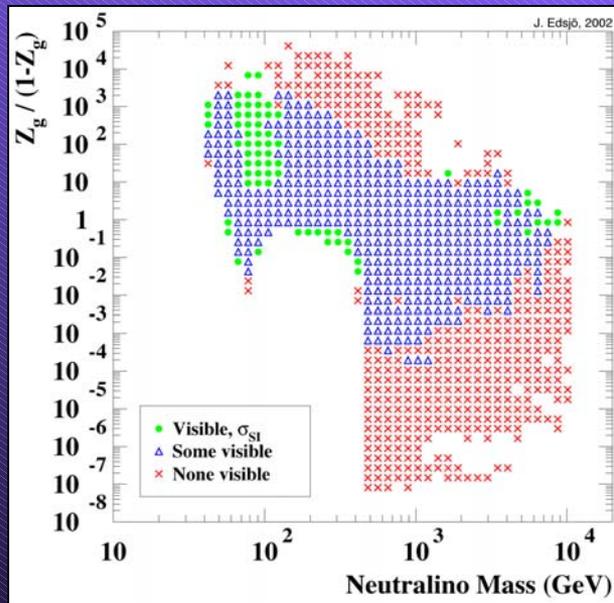
**IceCube**  
**vs**  
**Direct**  
**Detection**  
(Zeppelin4/Genius)

**Black: out**  
**Green: yes**  
**Blue: no**

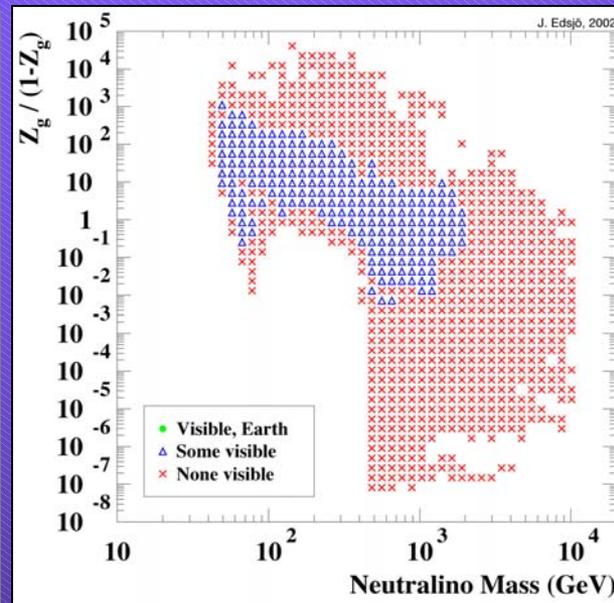
# MSSM parameter space

## Future probed regions I

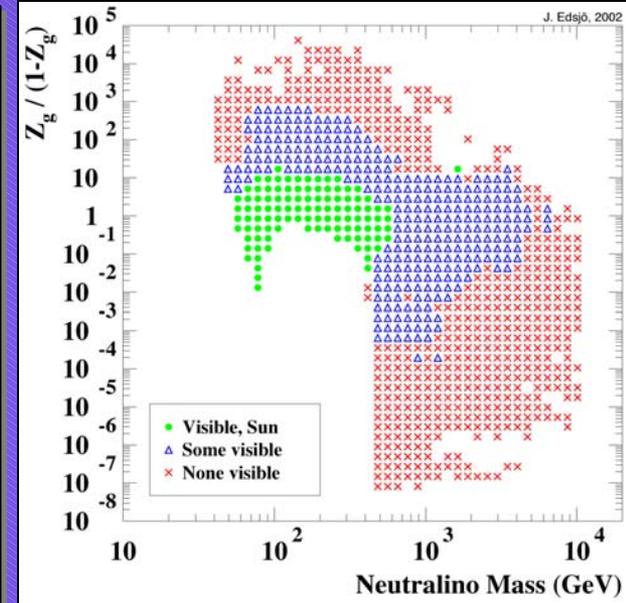
Direct detection  
Genius/Cresst



Earth, km<sup>3</sup>

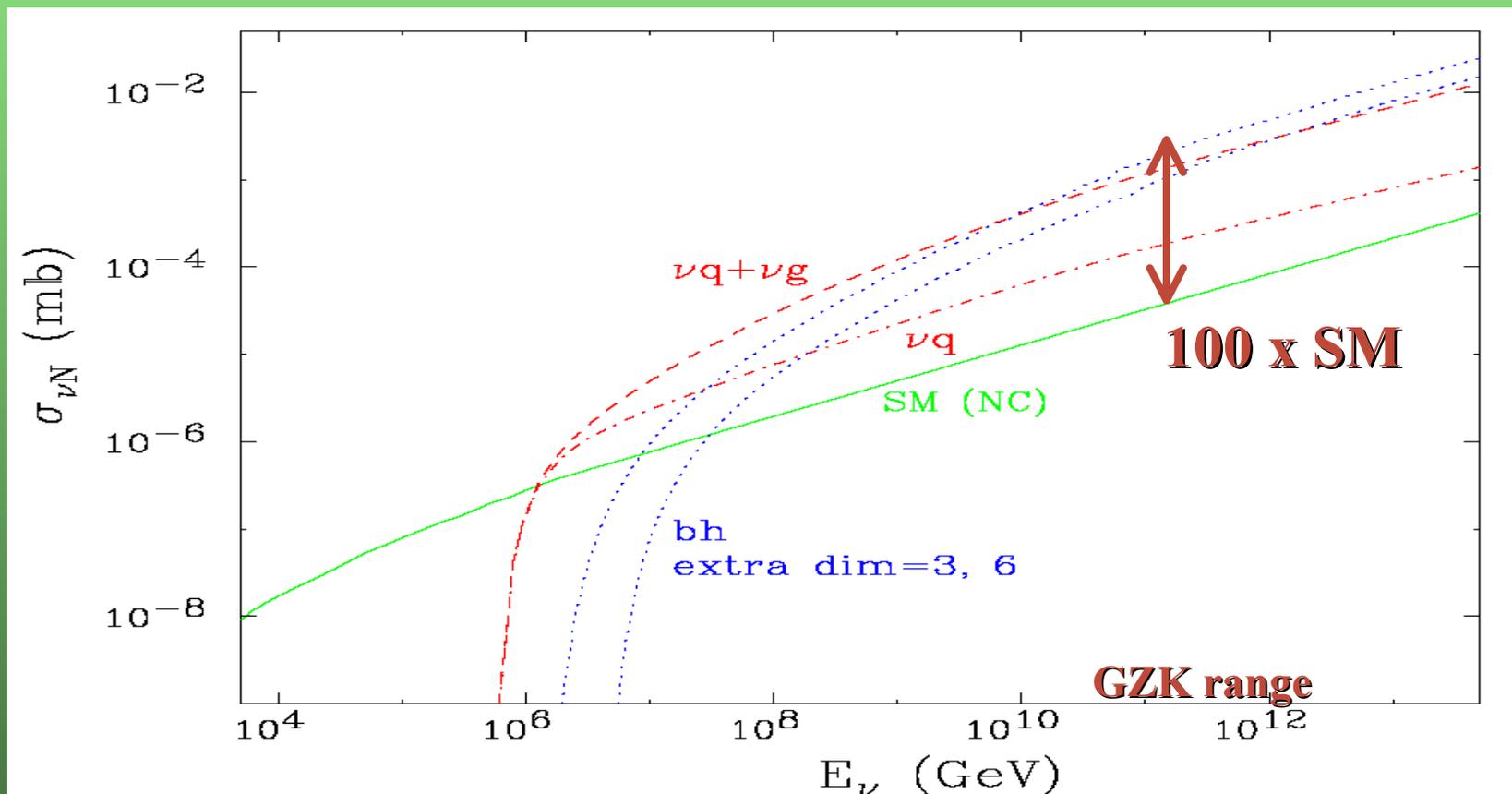


Sun, km<sup>3</sup>



IceCube

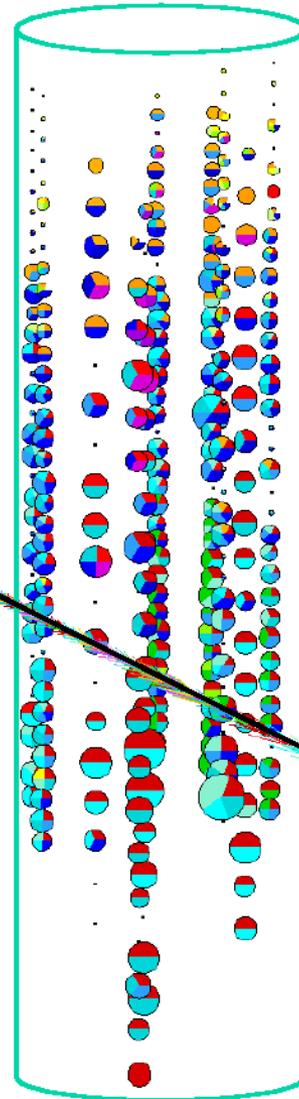
# Neutrino Astronomy Explores Higher Dimensions



TeV-scale gravity increases PeV  $\nu$ -cross section

High Energy  
Neutrino

Micro-  
Black Hole



AMANDA-II

muon range  
exceeds  
10 km

# **first-generation neutrino telescopes**

•Infrequently, a cosmic neutrino is captured in the ice, i.e. the neutrino interacts with an ice nucleus

•In the crash a muon (or electron, or tau) is produced

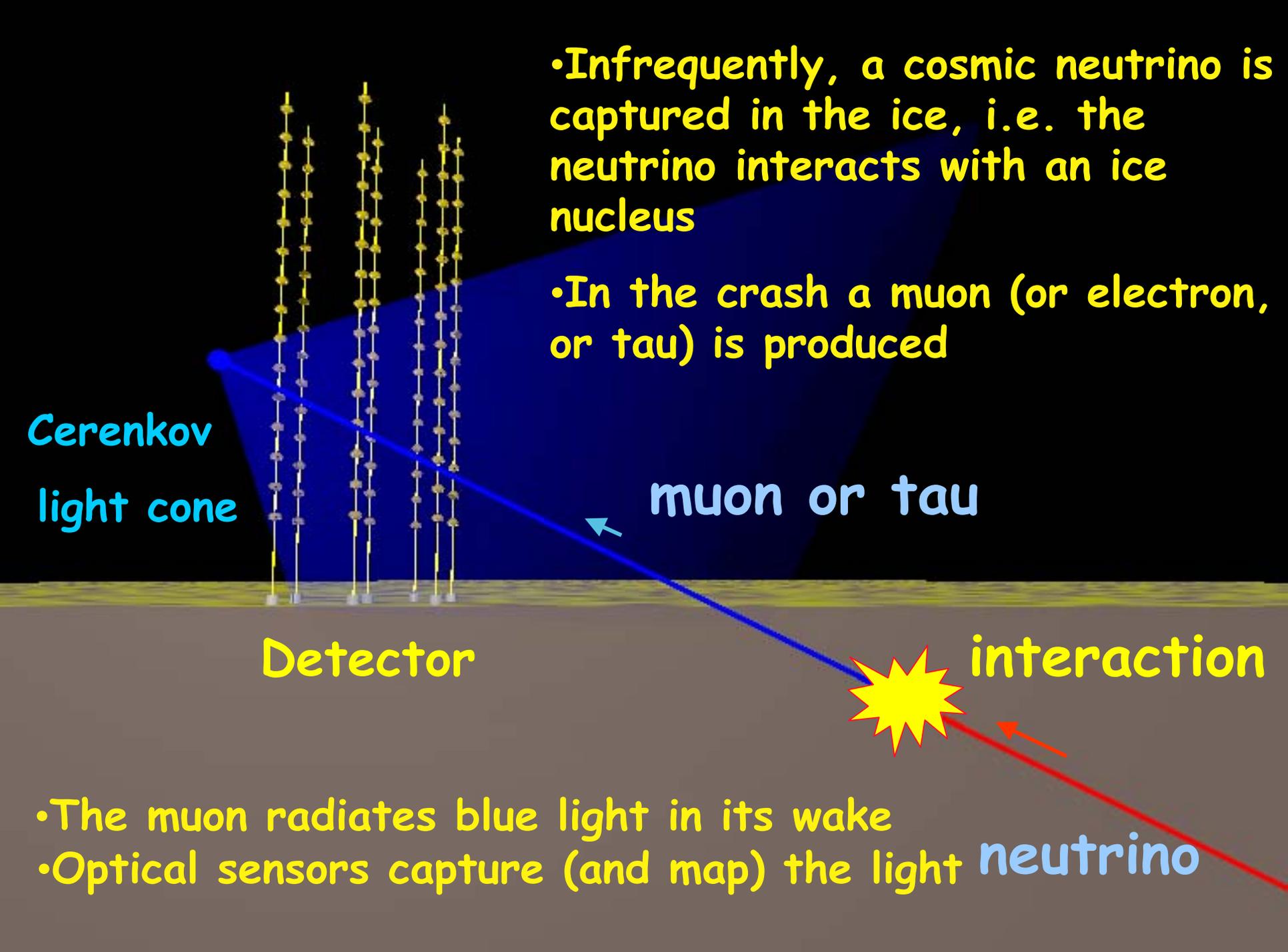
Cerenkov  
light cone

muon or tau

Detector

interaction

•The muon radiates blue light in its wake  
•Optical sensors capture (and map) the light neutrino



# Optical Module



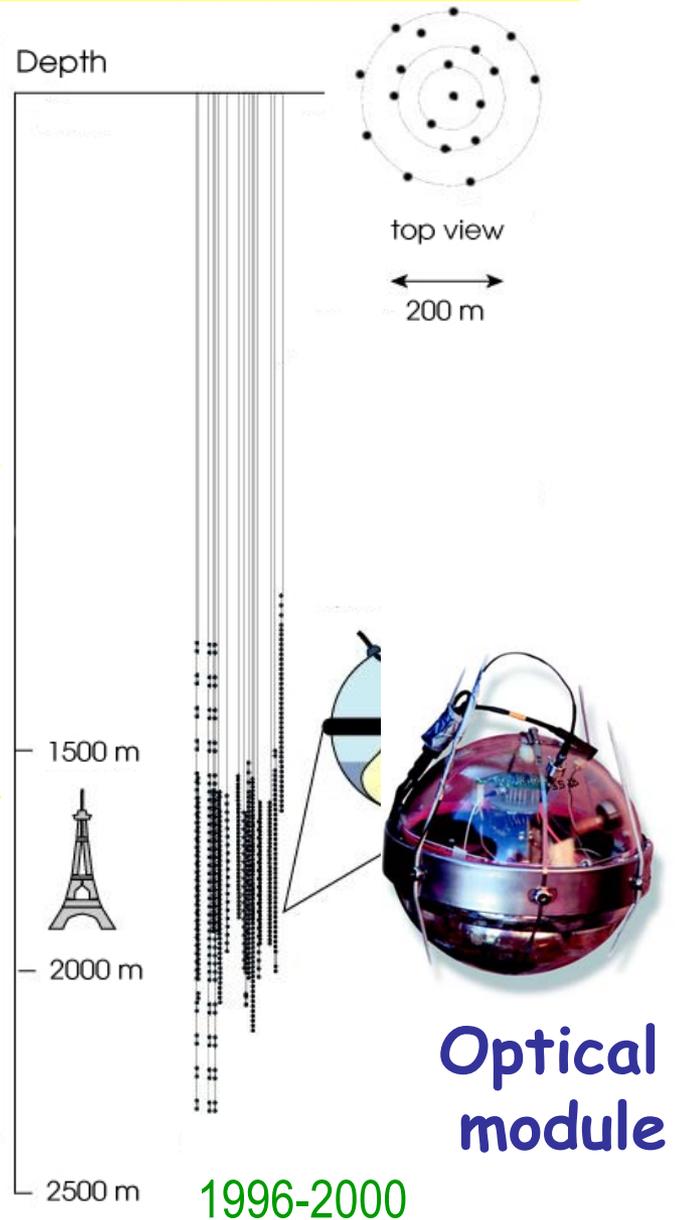
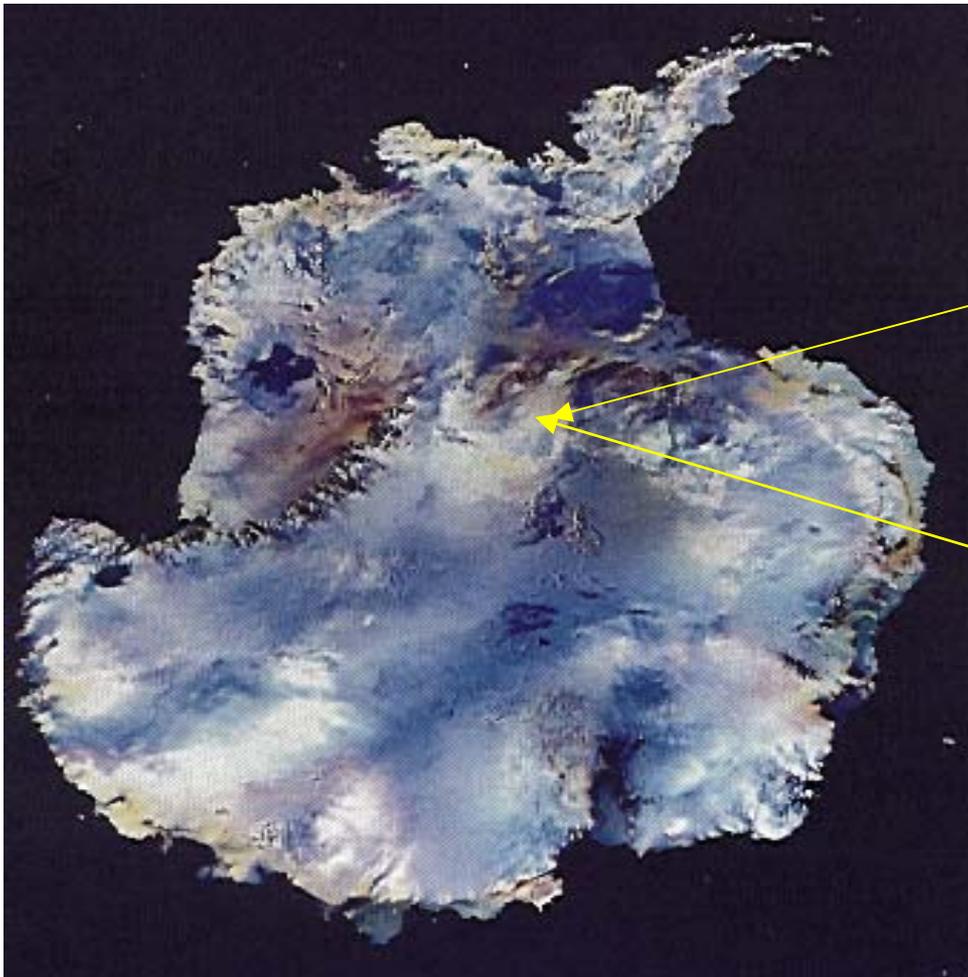
**South Pole**

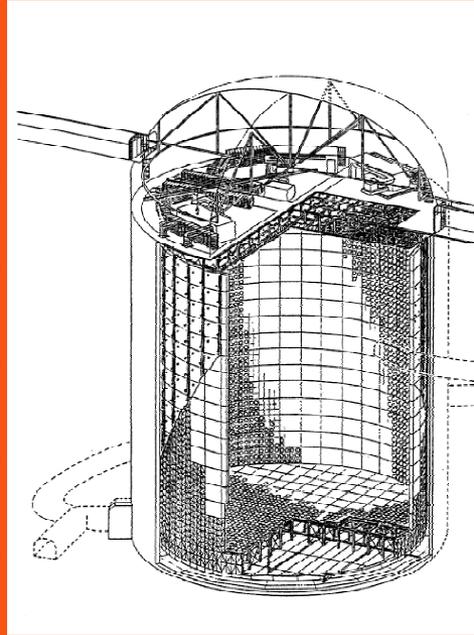
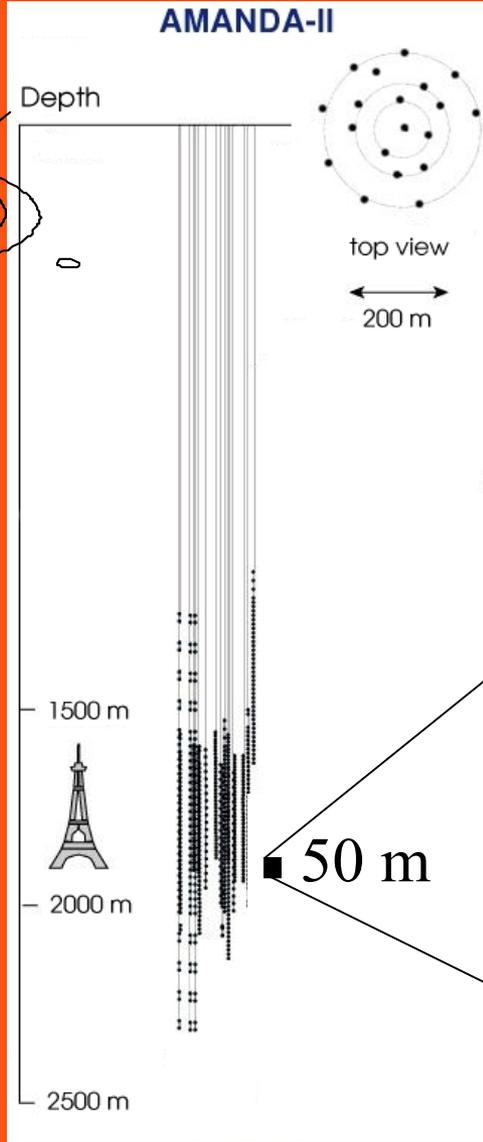
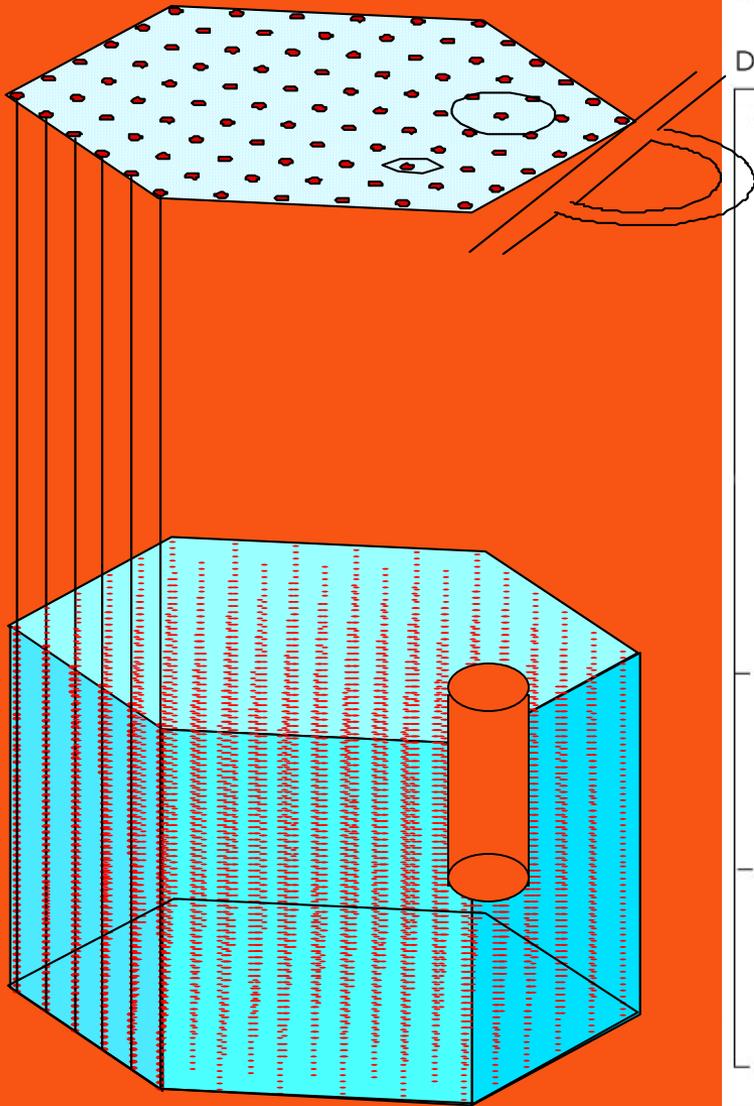
**AMANDA— 1 mile deep**



# AMANDA II

Amundsen-Scott Station South Pole





**Size perspective**



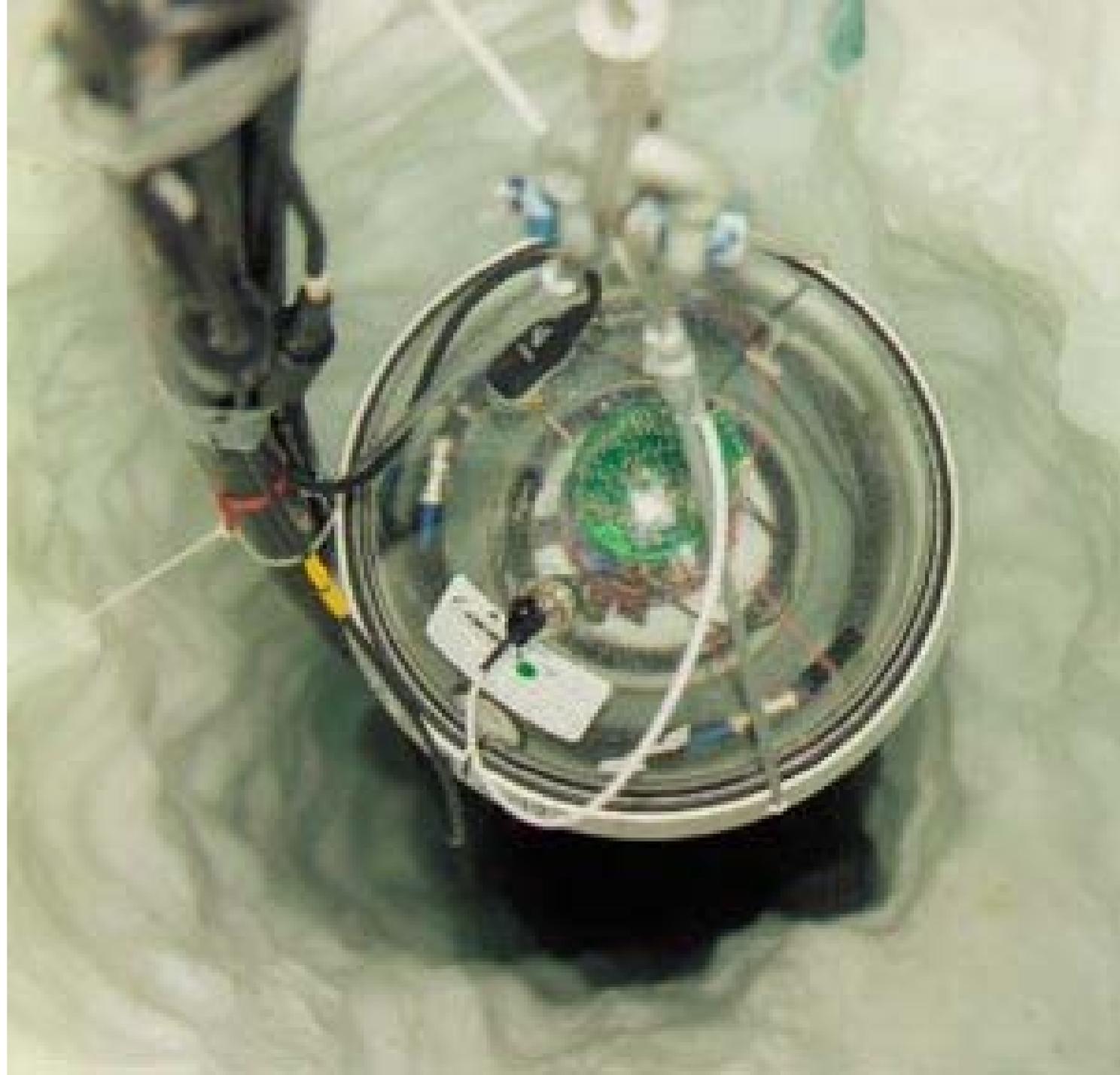
**Logistics simple!**

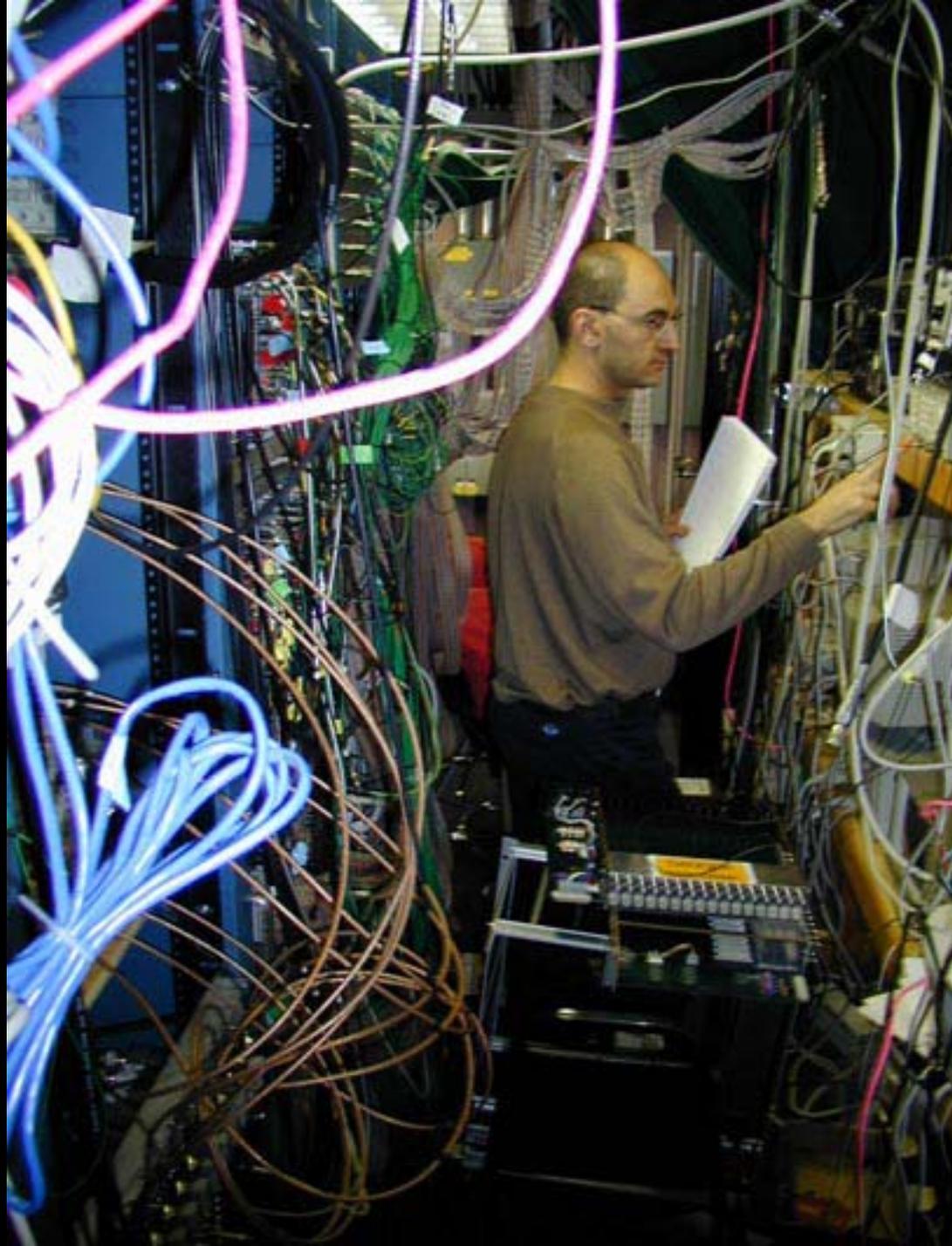
# Building AMANDA

## Drilling Holes with Hot Water



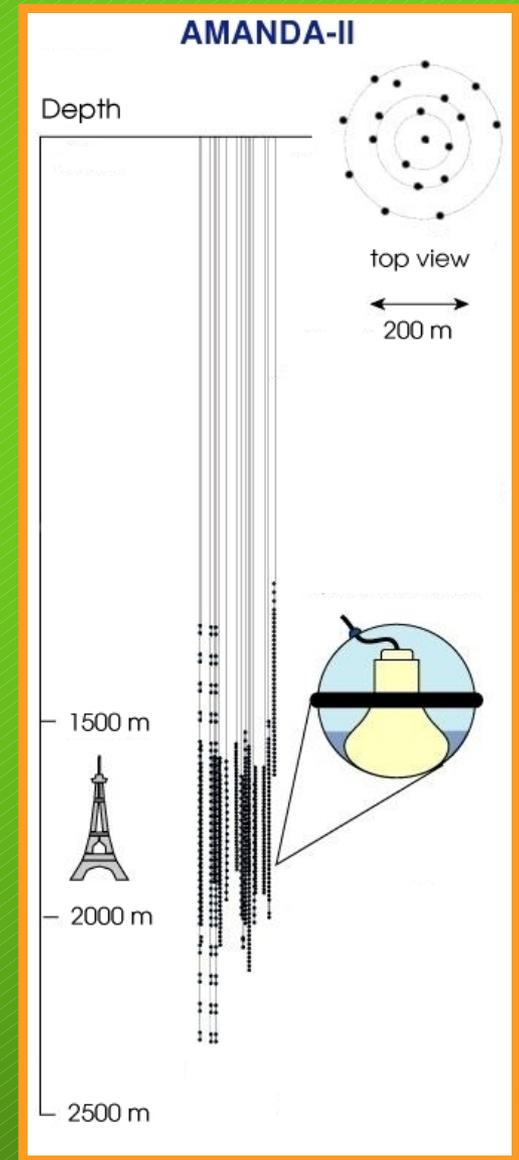
## The Optical Module





- **Construction began in 1995 (4 strings)**
- **AMANDA-II completed in 2000 (19 strings total)**
- **677 optical modules**
- **200 m across**
- **~500 m tall (most densely instrumented volume)**

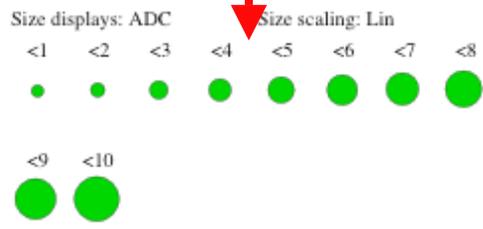
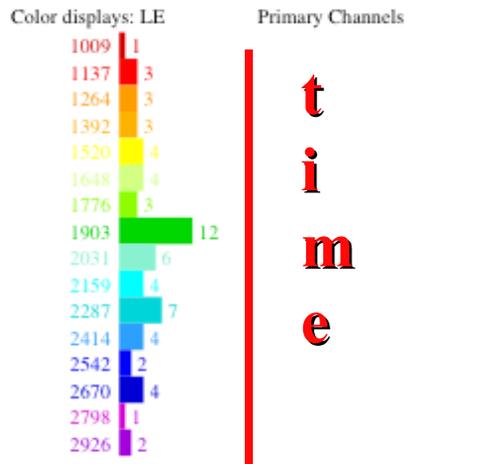
# The AMANDA detector



# AMANDA II

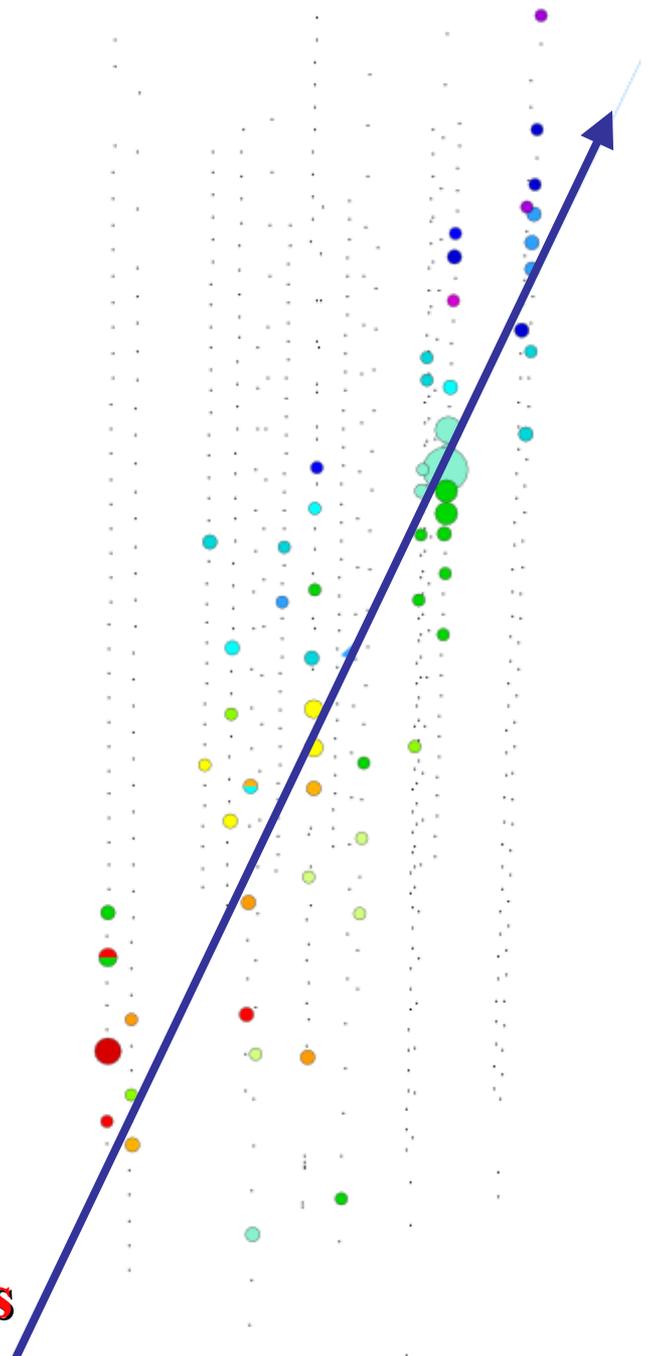
- up-going muon
- 61 modules hit

> 4 neutrinos/day  
on-line



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Detector: amanda-b-11, 19 strings, 680 modules  
Data file: events.f2k  
File contains 148 events.  
Displaying data event 5676936 from run 199  
Recorded y/dy: 2000/48  
33373.796850 seconds past midnight.  
Before cuts: 63 hits, 61 OMs  
After cuts: 63 hits, 61 OMs

size ~  
number of photons

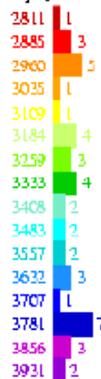


# AMANDA Event Signature: Muon

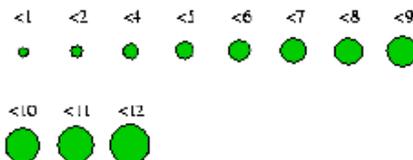
CC muon neutrino  
interaction  
→ track



Color displays: LE Primary Channels

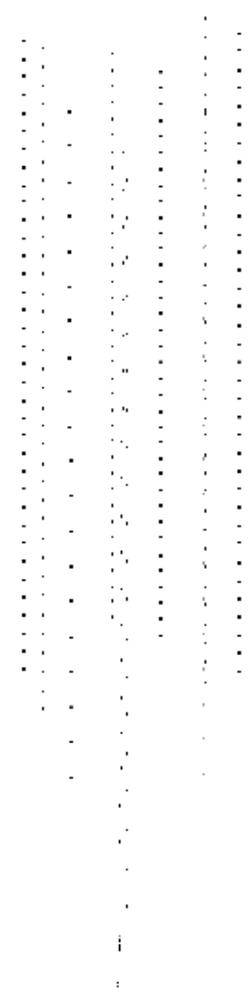


Size displays: A.D.C

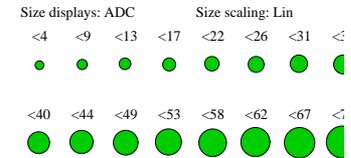
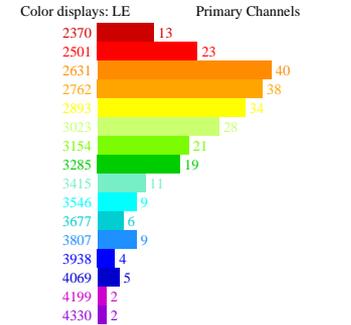
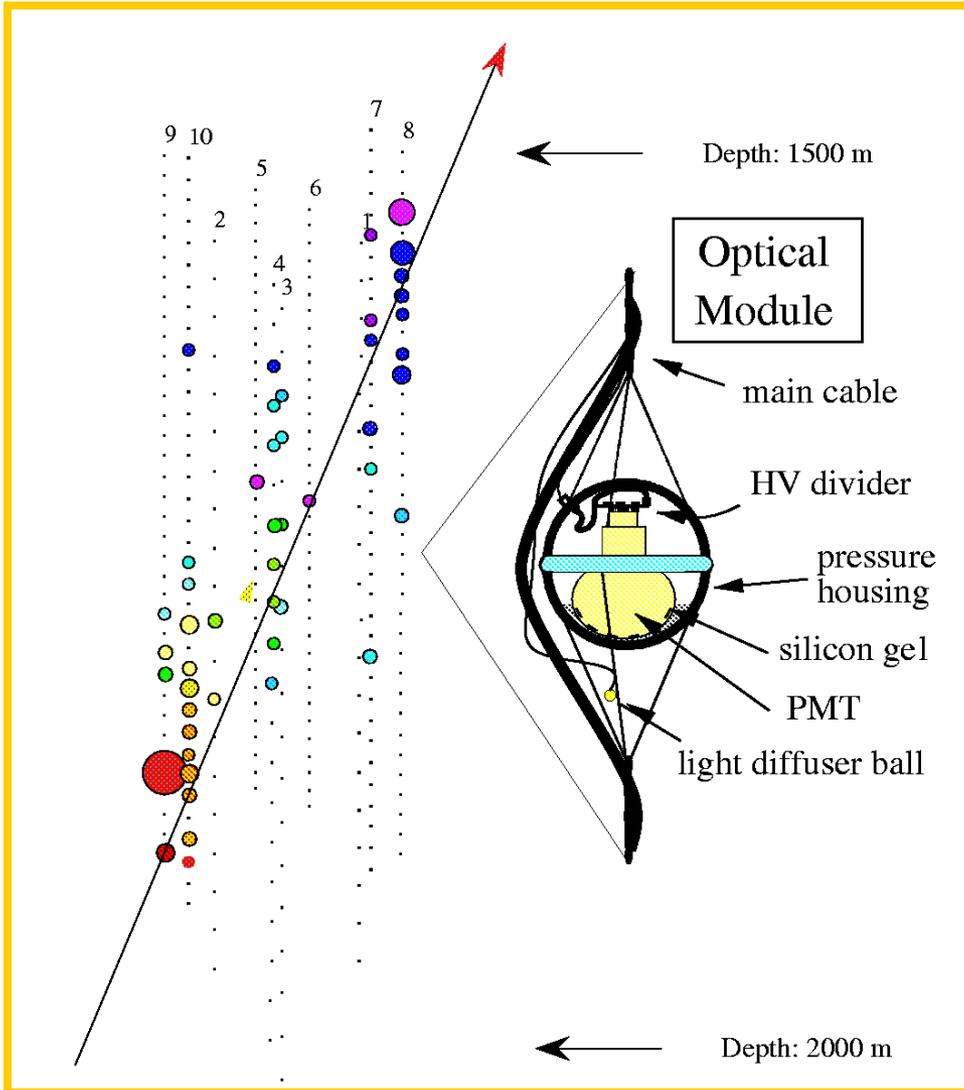


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 File contains 19 events.  
 Displaying data event 1197960 from run 0  
 Recorded y/ty: 1997/285  
 18132.0091381 seconds past midnight.  
 Before cuts: 44 hits, 44 OMs  
 After cuts: 44 hits, 44 OMs  
 Anonymous

	x	y	z
Vertex pos :	12.4	-16.1	6.8 m
Direction :	0.03970	0.41614	0.90844
Length :	Inf m		
Energy :	? GeV		
Time :	3205.100000 ns		
Zenith :	155.3°		
Azimuth :	264.6°		



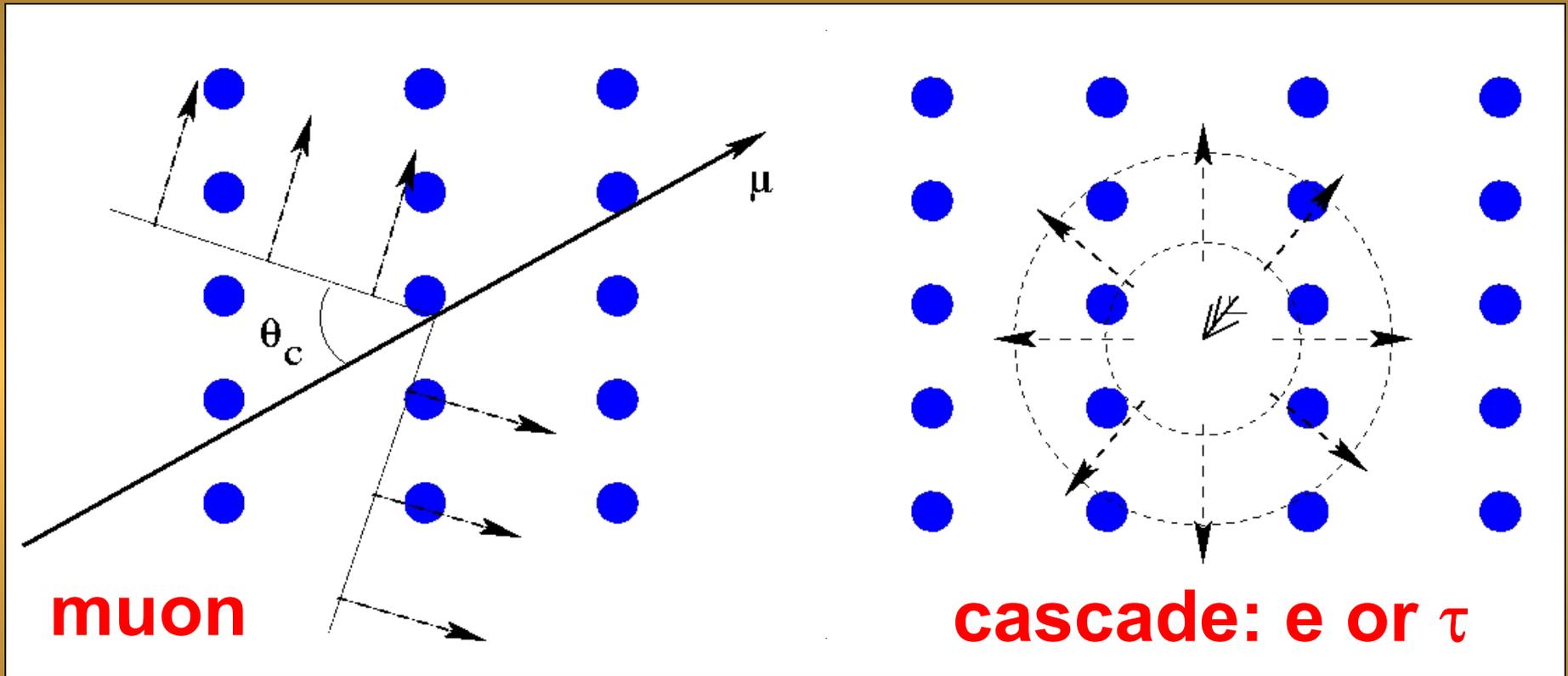
# two events



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 Data file: he\_def.f2k  
 Displaying data event 1425281 from run 336  
 Recorded yr/dy: 2000/170  
 59857.5405130 seconds past midnight.  
 Before cuts : 264 hits, 264 OMs  
 After cuts : 264 hits, 264 OMs

200 TeV  $\nu_e$

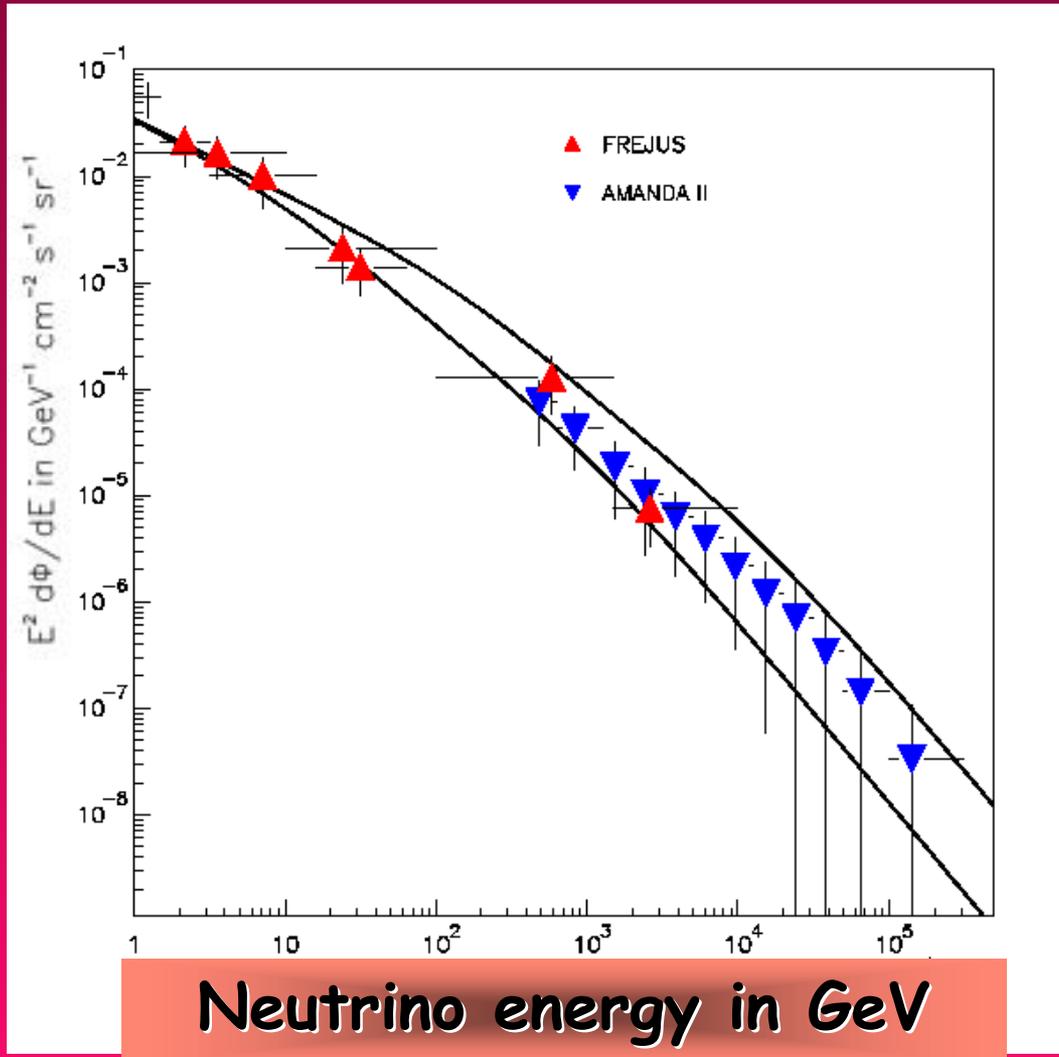
# Cherenkov light from muons and cascades



## Reconstruction

- Maximum likelihood method
- Use expected time profiles of photon flight times

# Atmospheric $\nu$ 's as Test Beam



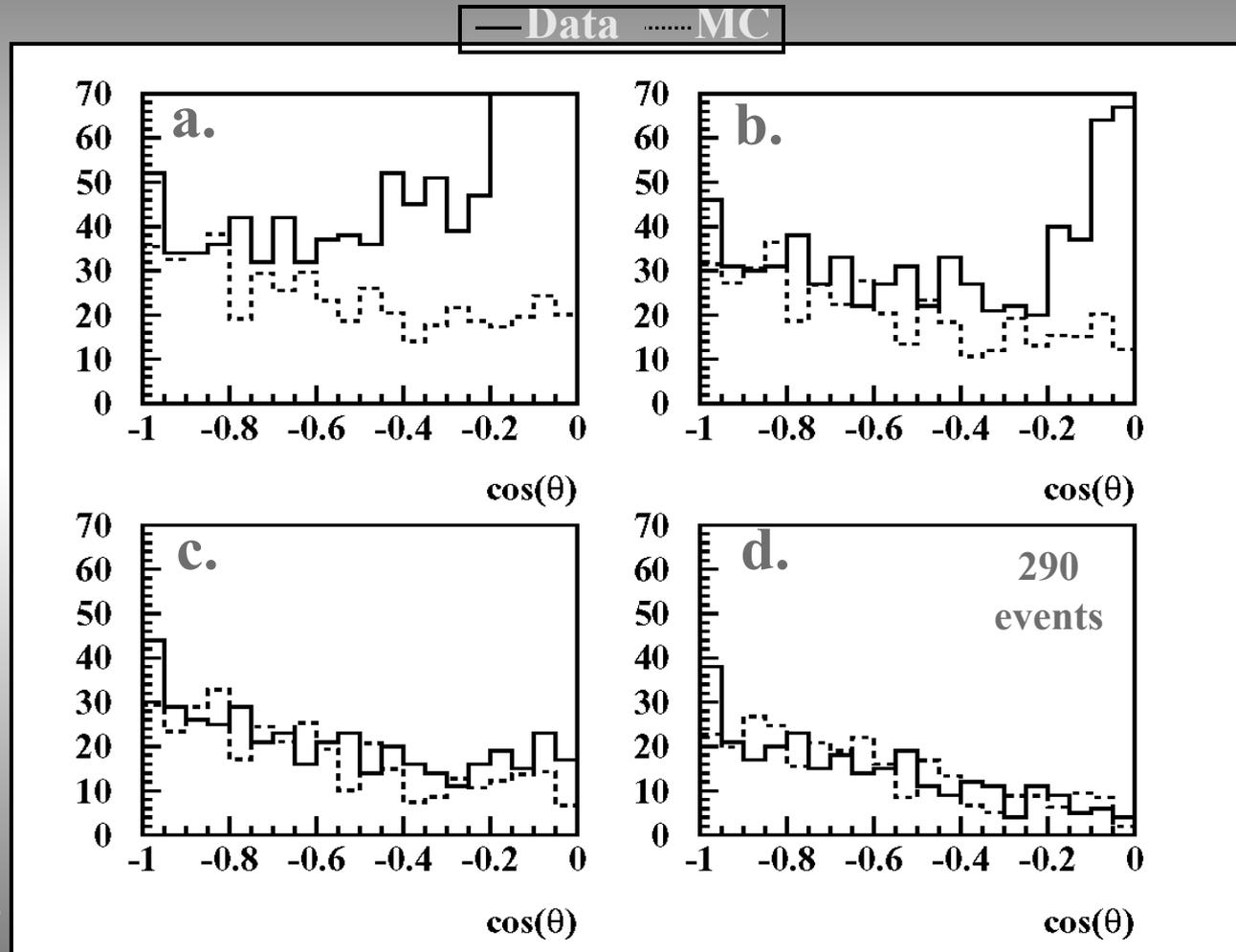
# Atmospheric $\nu$ 's as Test Beam

## Selection Criteria:

- ( $N_{\text{hit}} < 50$  only)
- Zenith  $> 110^\circ$
- High fit quality
- Uniform light deposition along track

2 cuts only!

4 nus per day

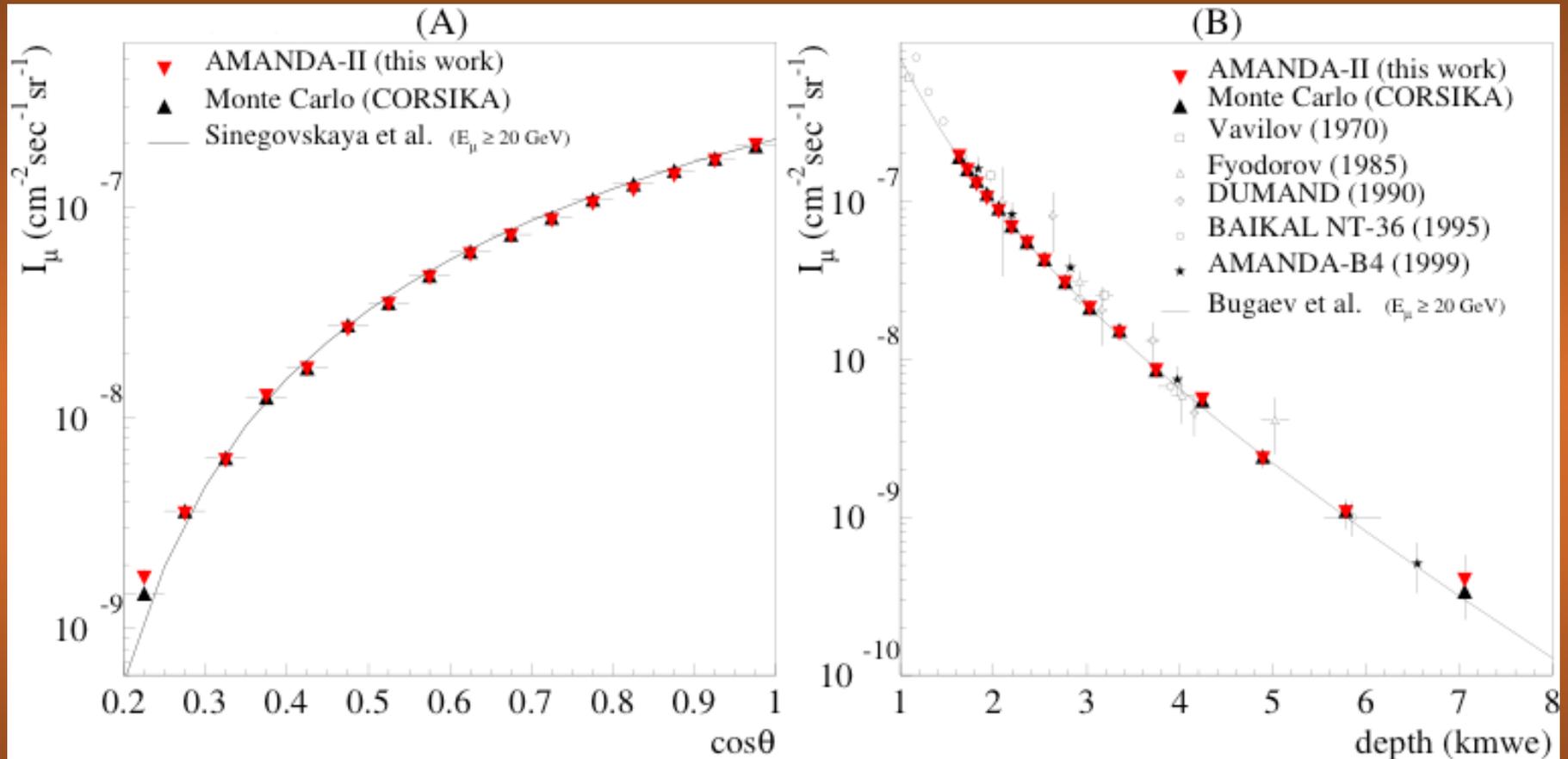


tightening of cuts extracts atm.  $\nu$  signal

# required background rejection

<b>Signature</b>	<b>neutrino signal / cosmic muon bkg</b>
<b>Diffuse flux</b>	$\sim 10^{-8}$
<b>Point source</b>	$> 10^{-6}$
<b>Gamma ray burst</b>	$> 10^{-4}$

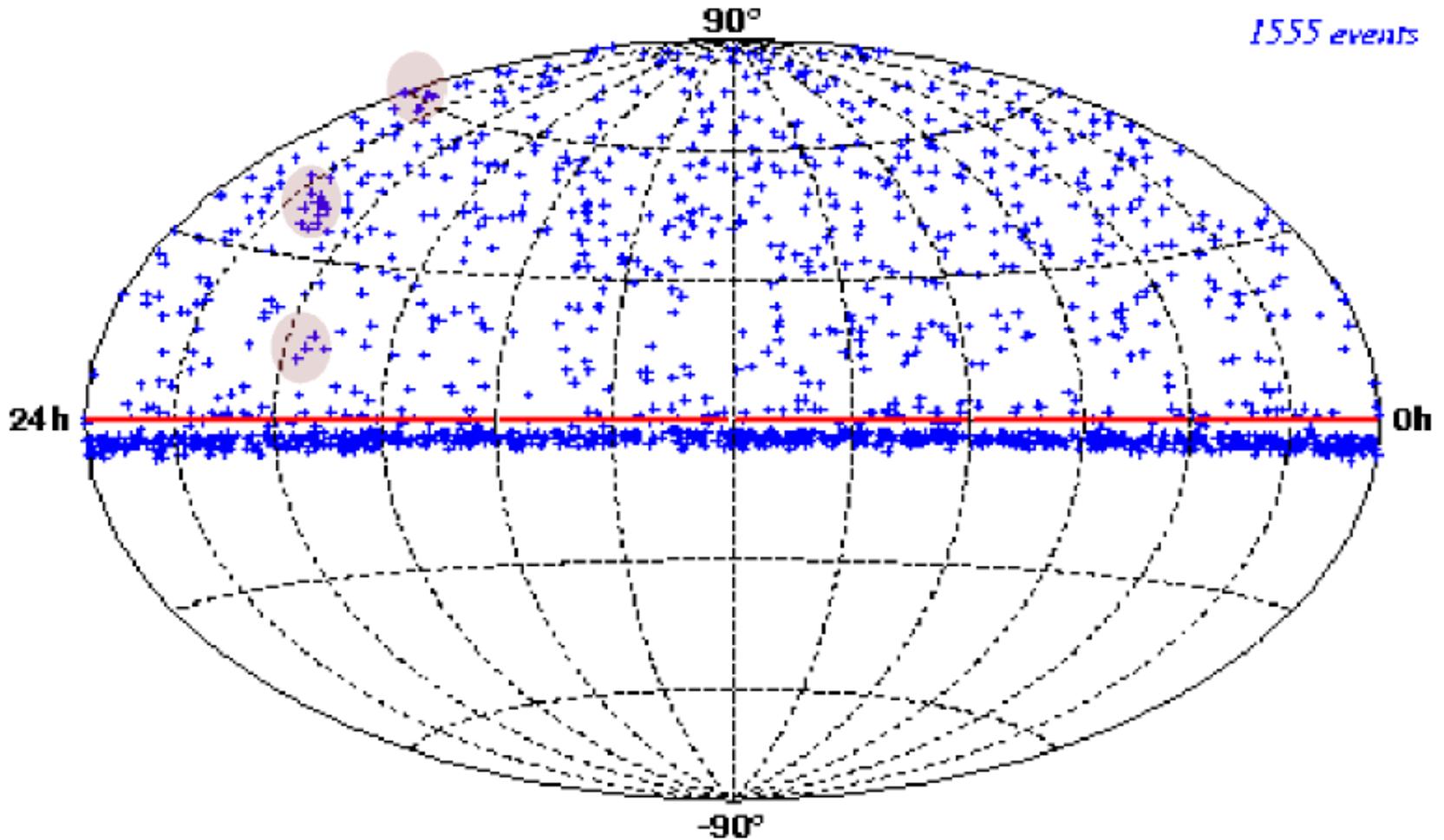
# down-going muon flux

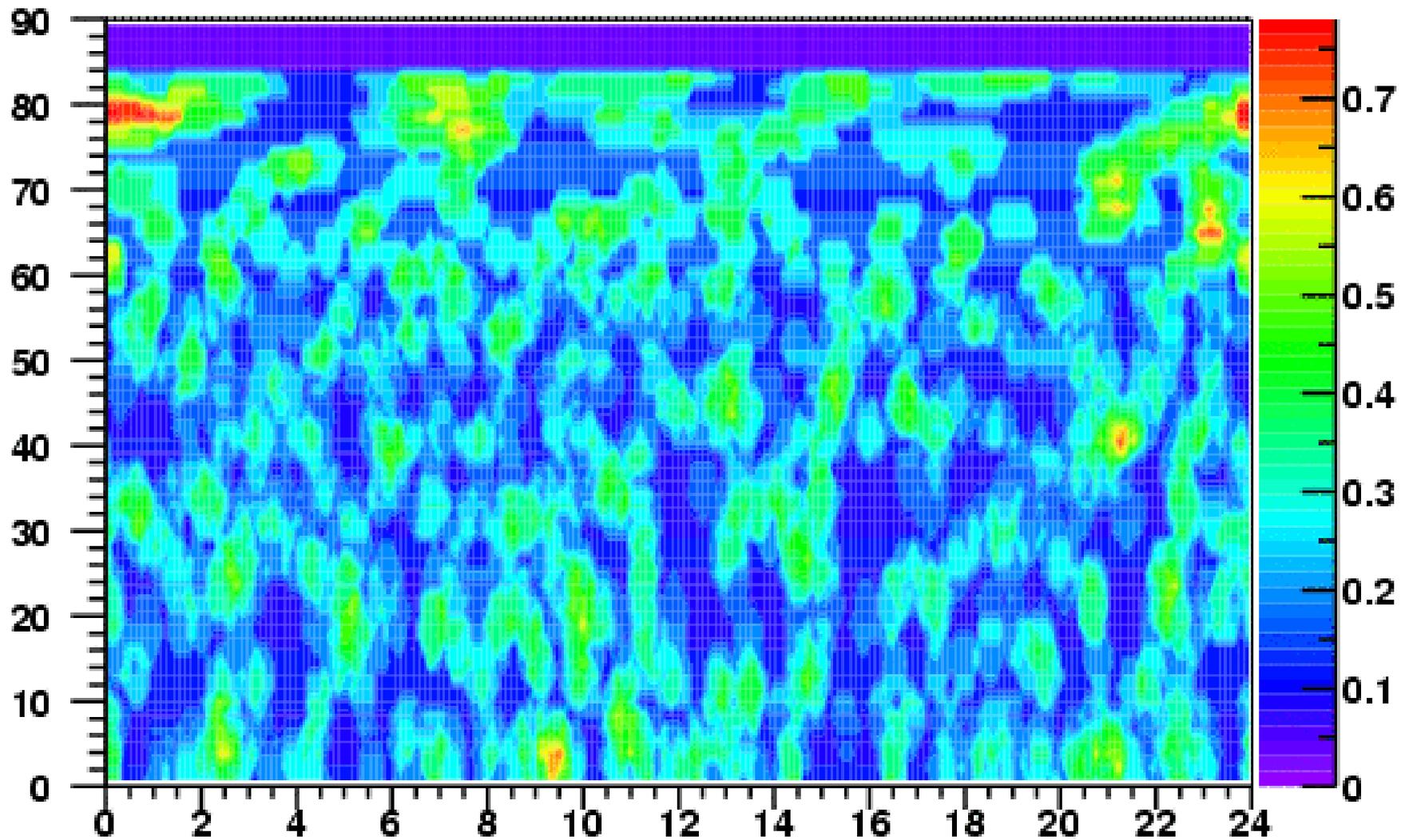


zenith angle

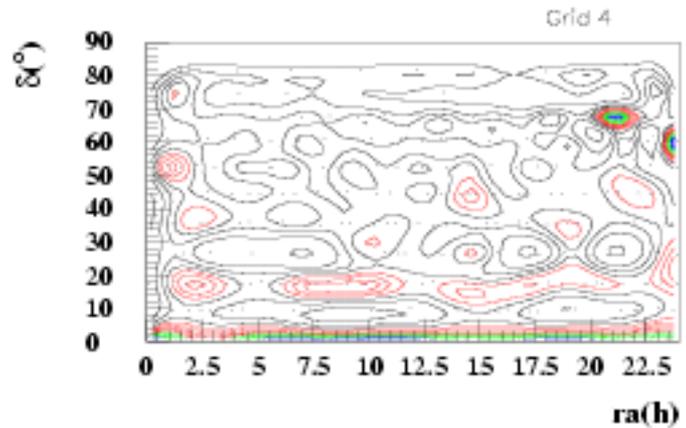
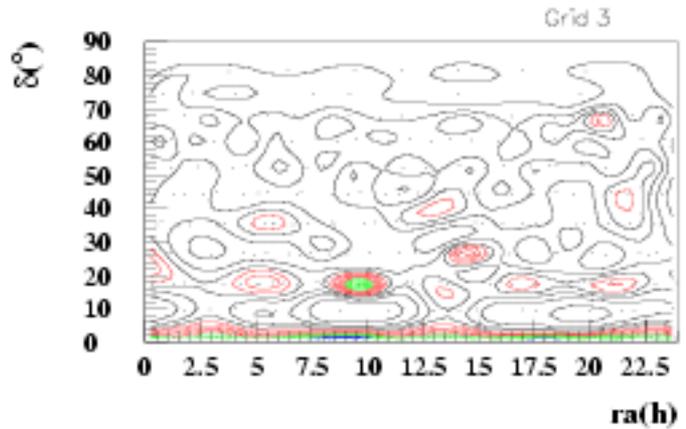
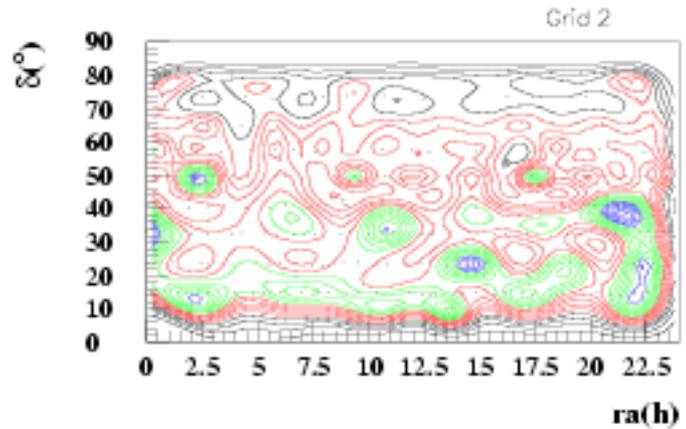
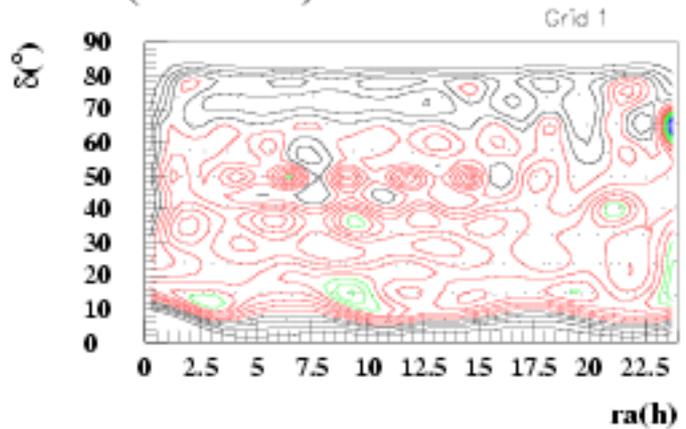
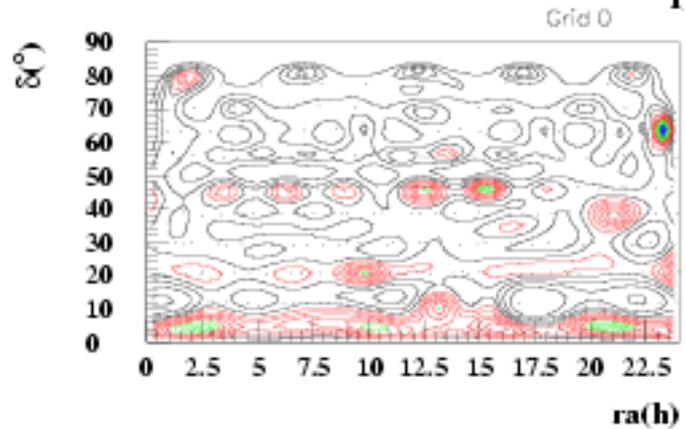
depth

# AMANDA II 2000





# Final Exp Data (above 0°)

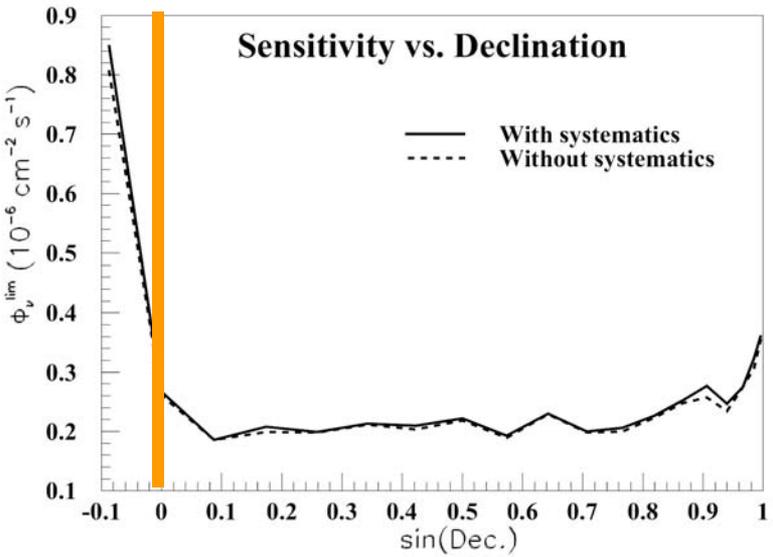


<i>Declination</i>	<i>RA(hours)</i>
64	21
40	21
20	9

# selected point source flux limits

sensitivity  $\approx$  flat above horizon - 4 times better than B10  $\uparrow$ !

PRELIMINARY

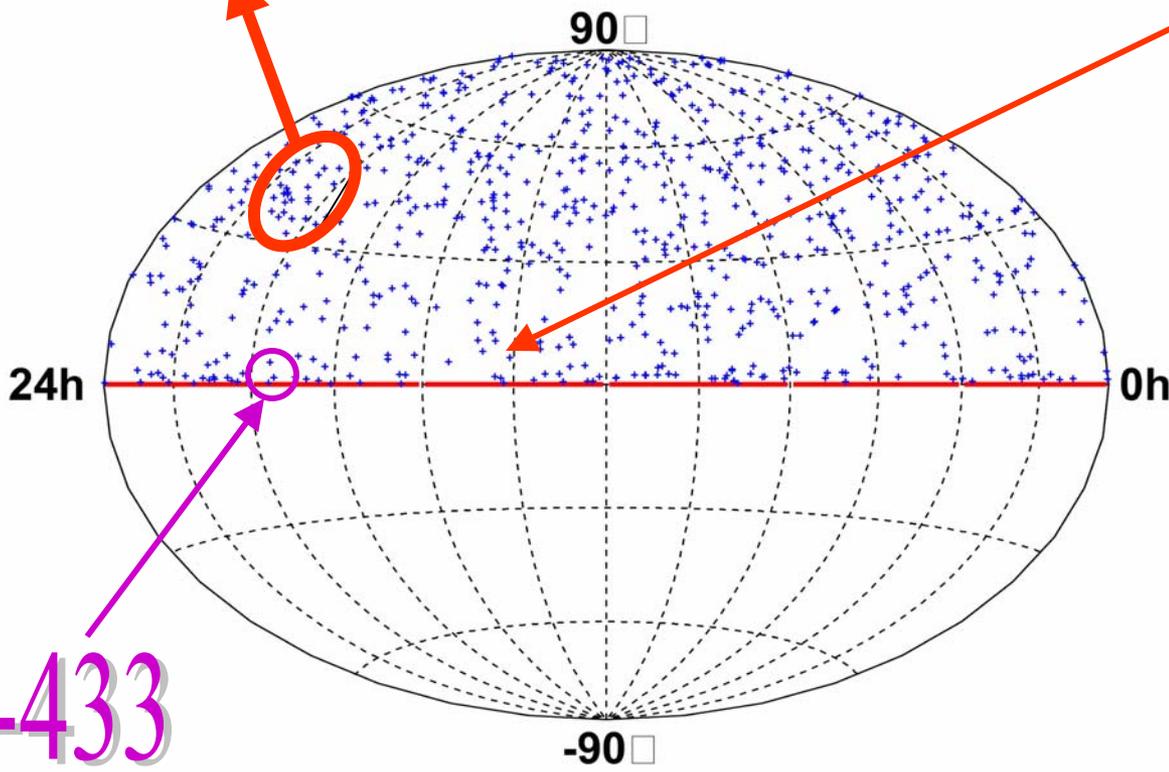
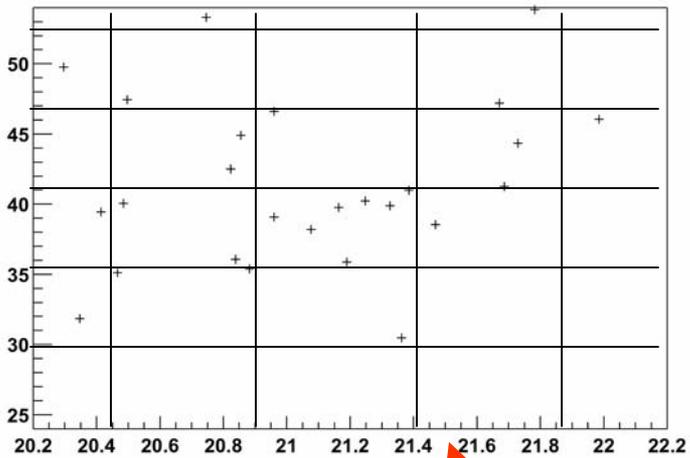


declination averaged sensitivity:  
 $\Phi_v^{lim} \approx 0.23 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$  @90%

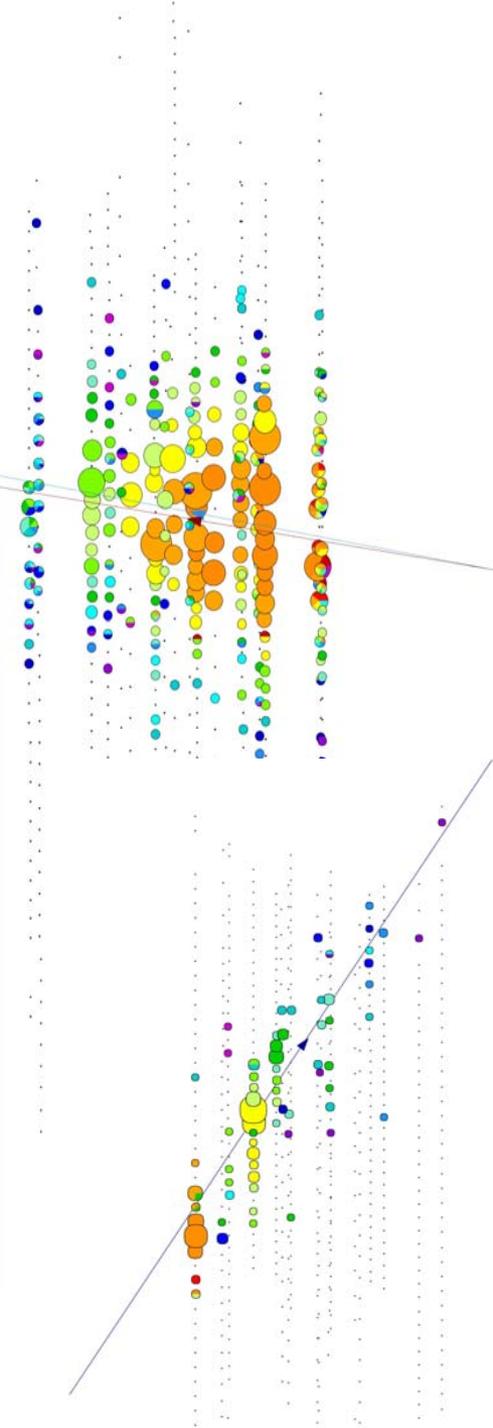
Sources	declination	1997 $\uparrow$	2000
SS433	5.0°	-	0.7
M87	12.4°	17.0	1.0
Crab	22.0°	4.2	2.4
Mkn 421	38.2°	11.2	3.5
Mkn 501	39.8°	9.5	1.8
Cyg. X-3	41.0°	4.9	3.5
Cas. A	58.8°	9.8	1.2

upper limits @ 90% CL in units of  $10^{-8} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

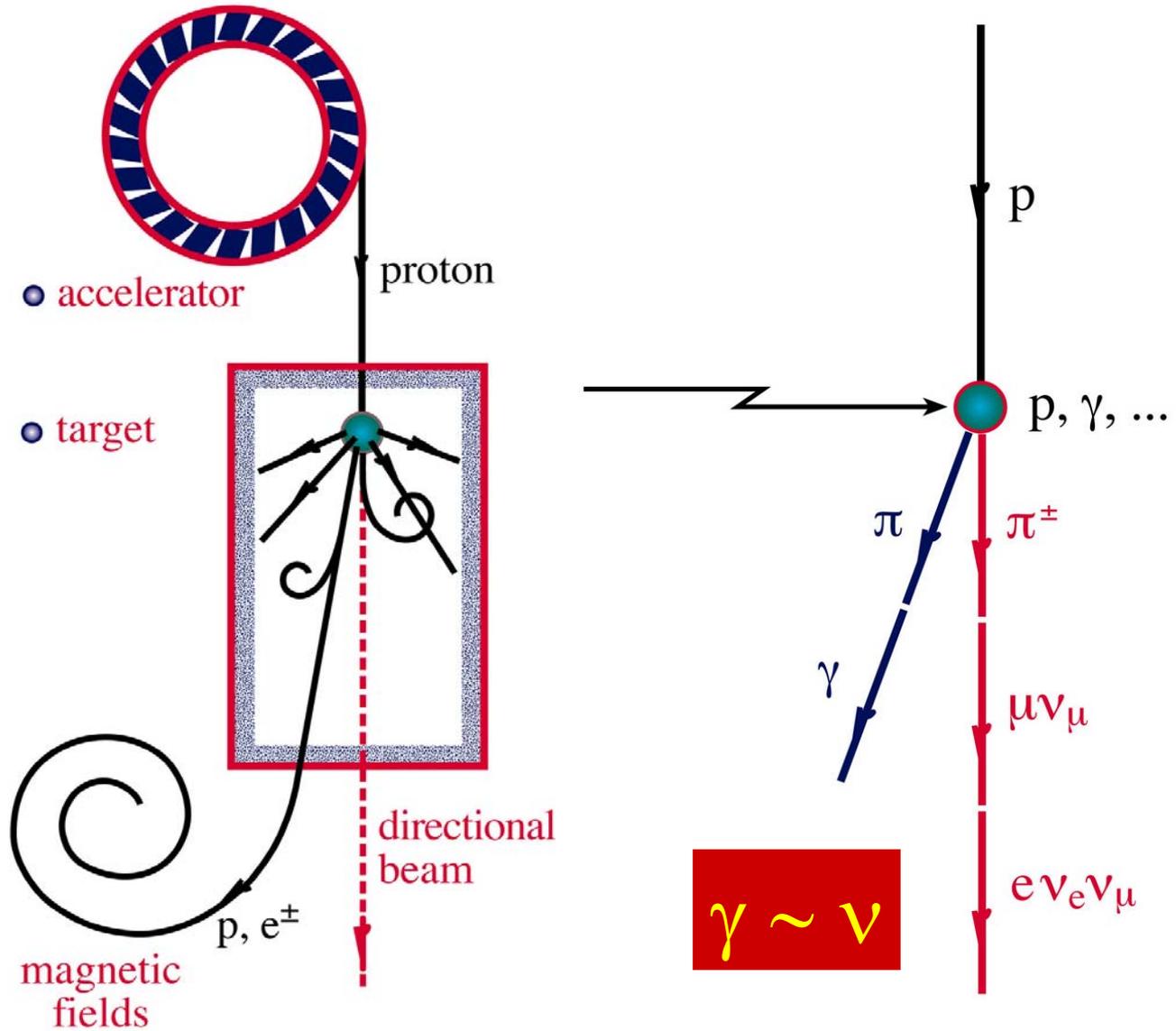
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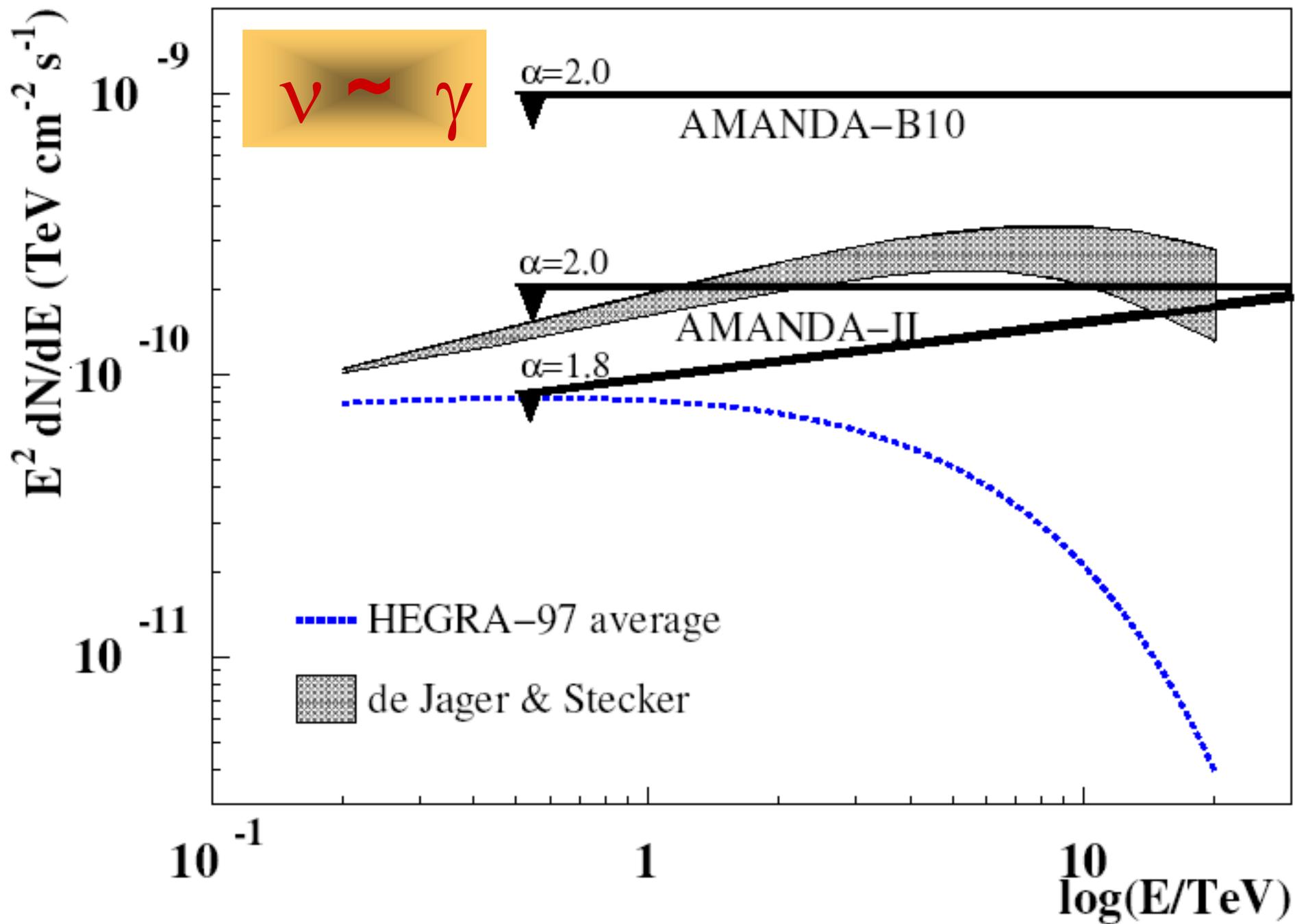


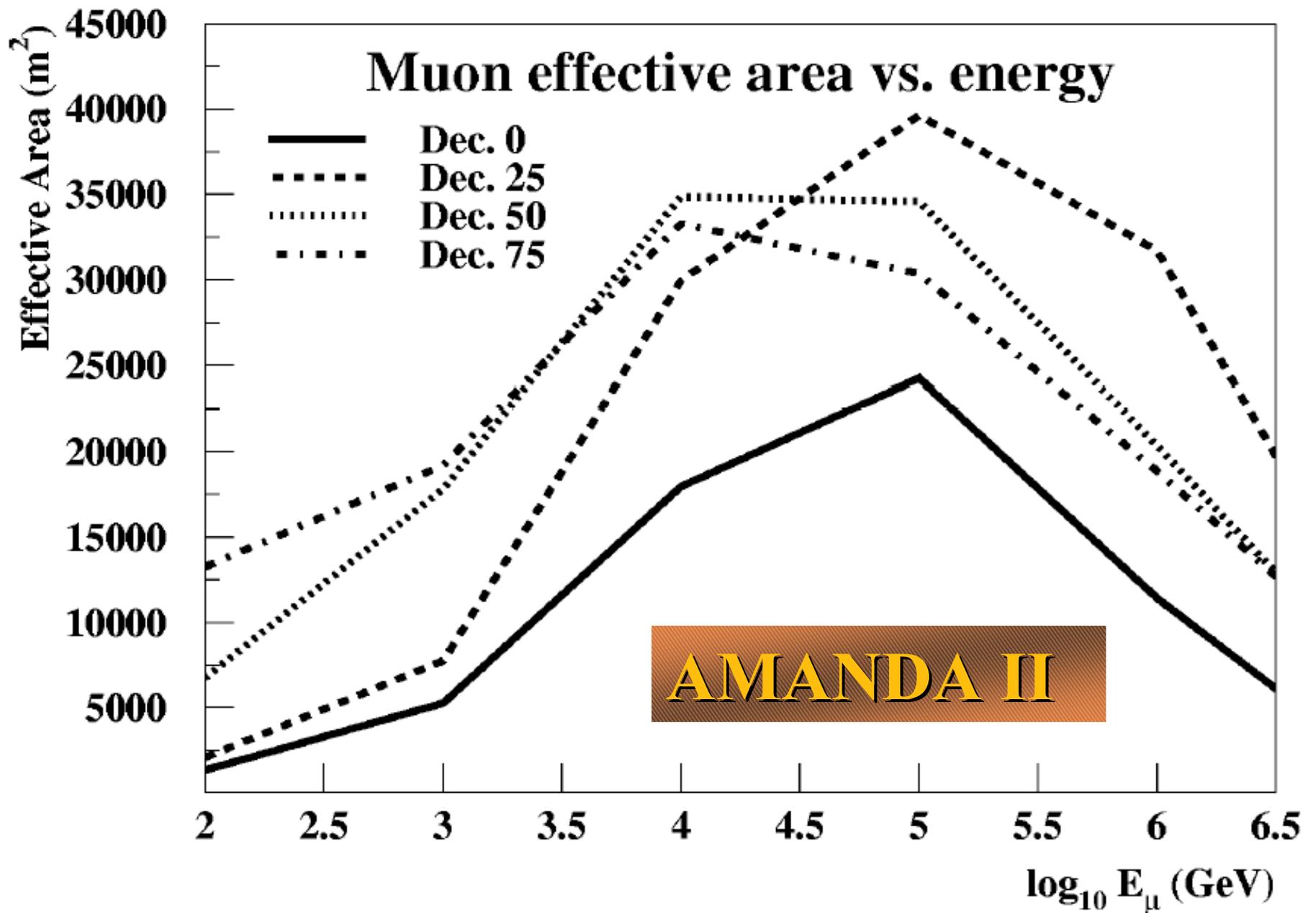
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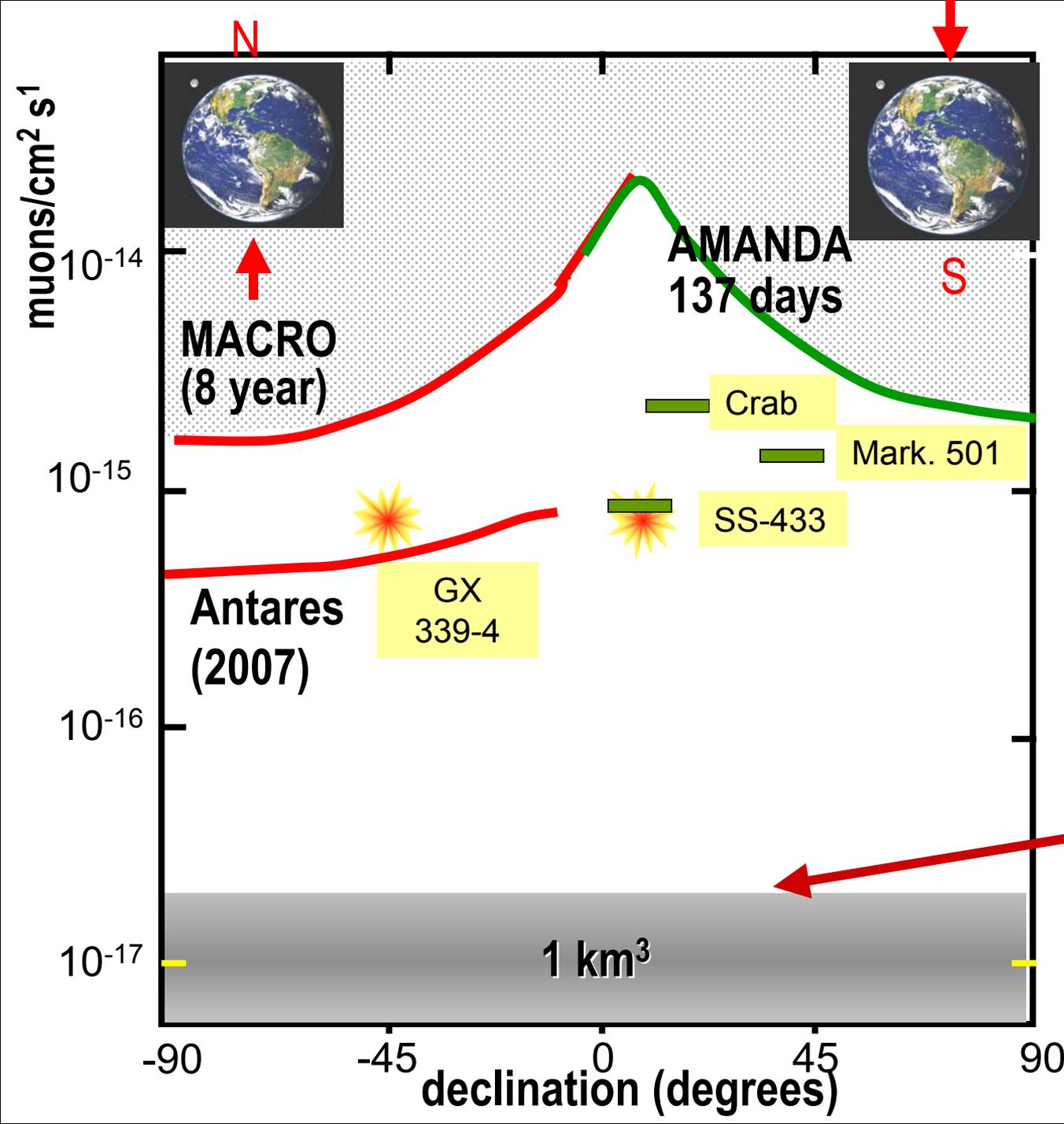


# NEUTRINO BEAMS: HEAVEN & EARTH









**Expected source sensitivity**

published data

preliminary 2000 data

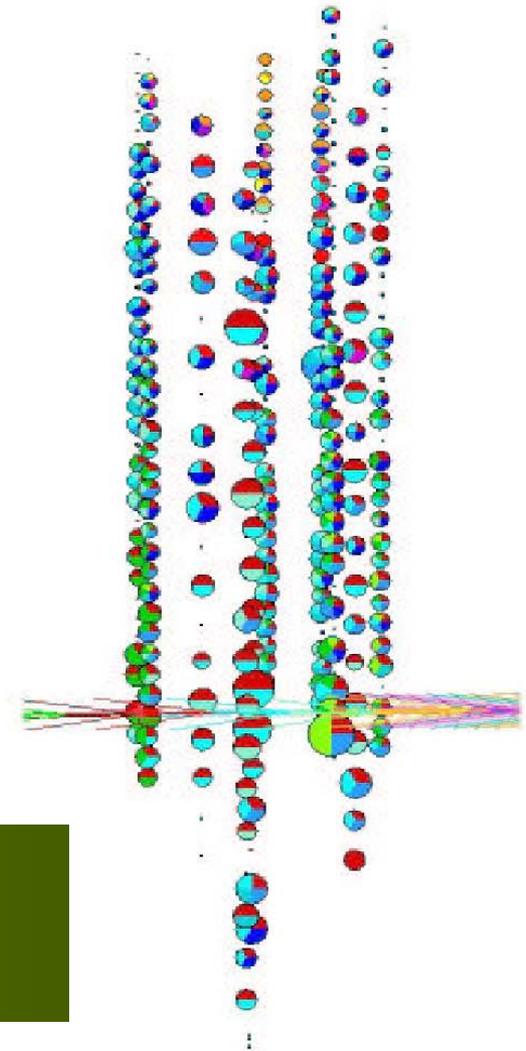
• **Integrated AMANDA + IceCube fluency ~2007**

• **All sky > PeV**

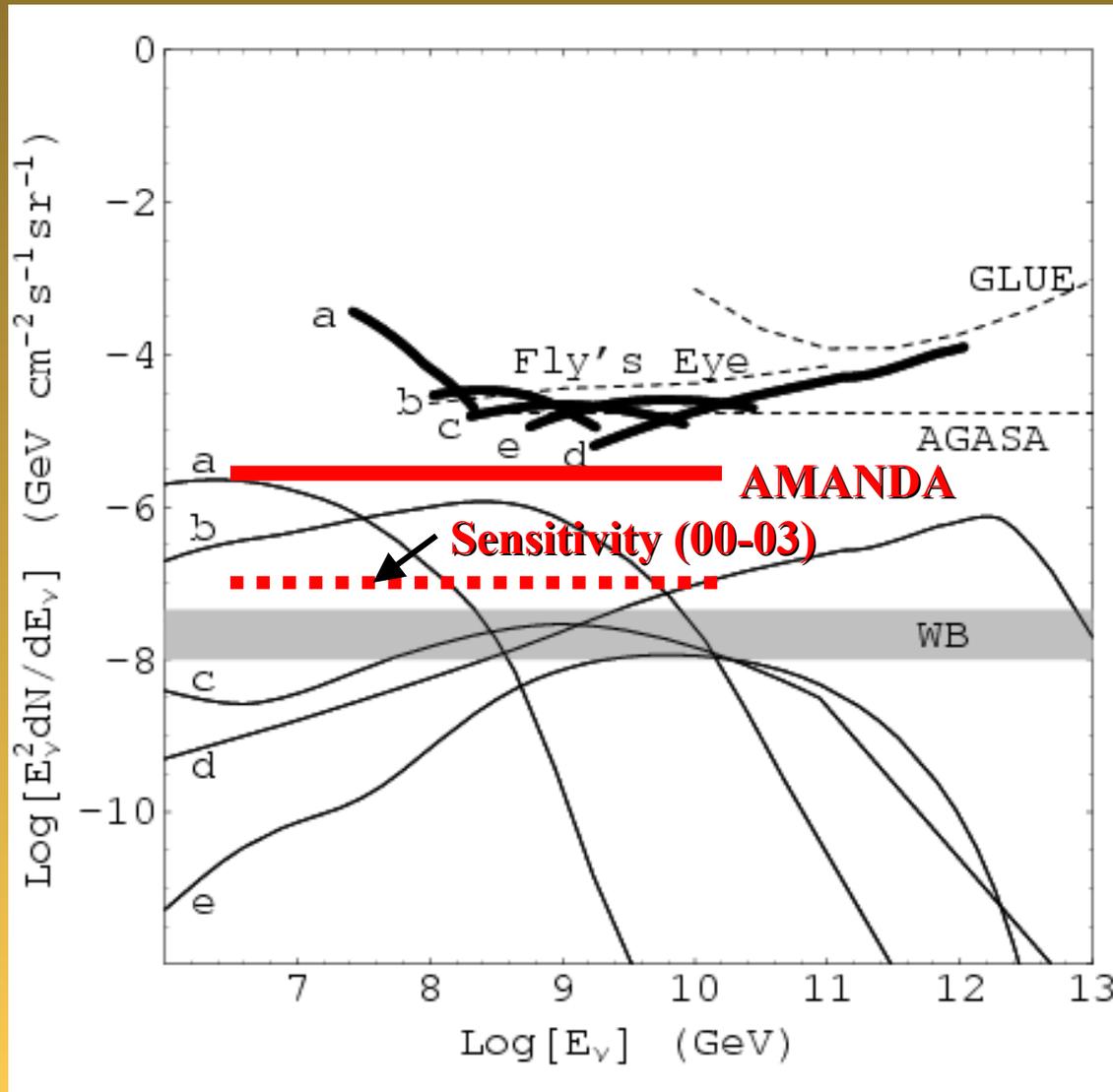
# Ultra High Energy Neutrinos in AMANDA

- **Energy  $> 10$  PeV**
- **All sky**
- **Large neutrino cross sections**
- **Large muon range ( $> 10$  km)**

Competitive with radio, acoustic and air shower experiments



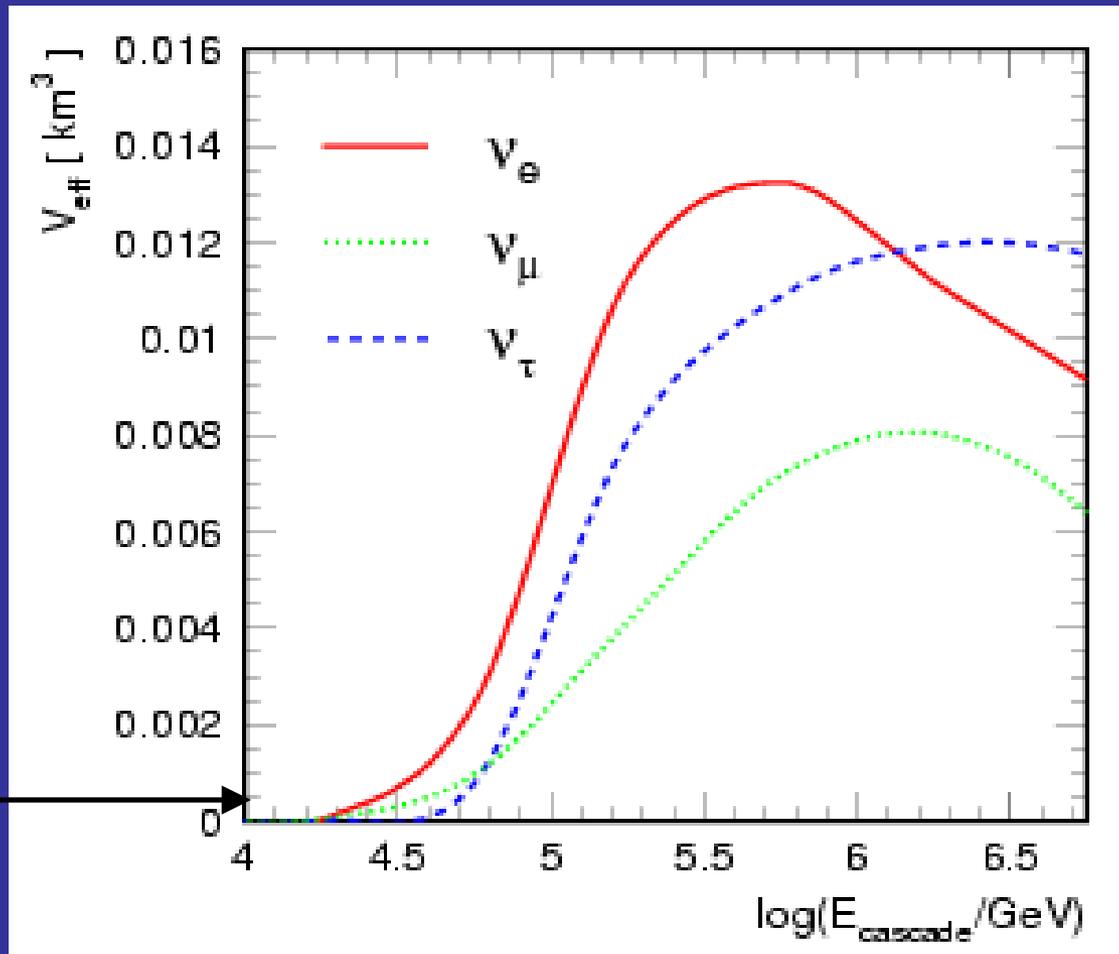
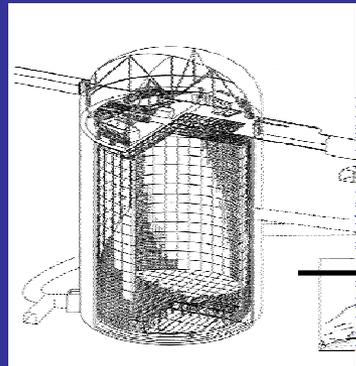
# diffuse EHE neutrino flux limits



- a) Stecker & Salamon (AGN)
- b) Protheroe (AGN)
- c) Mannheim (AGN)
- d) Protheroe & Stanev (TD)
- e) Engel, Seckel & Stanev

Ranges are central 80%

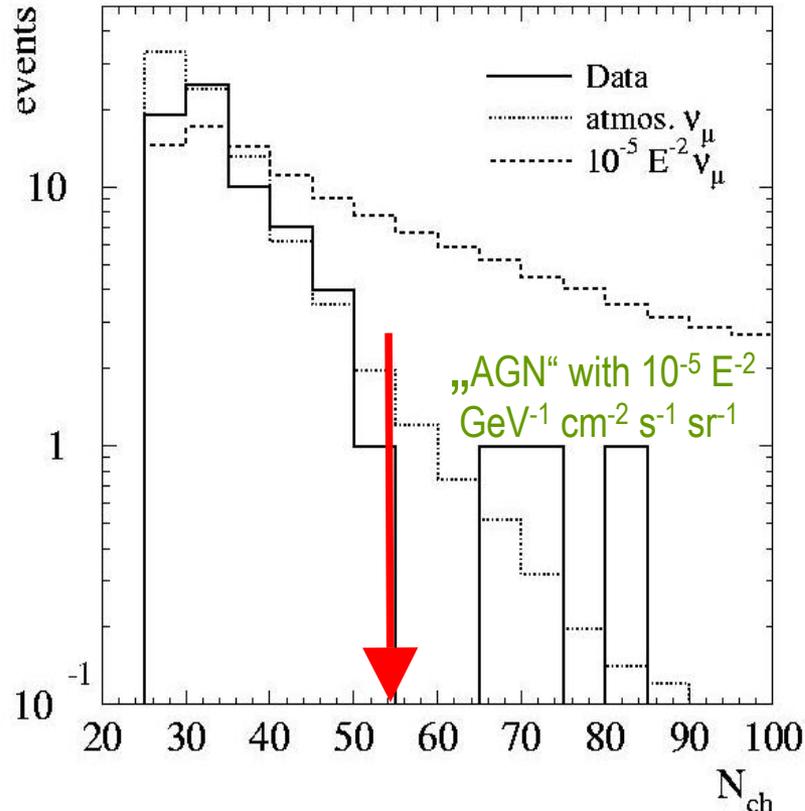
# Effective Volume for $\nu_e, \nu_\mu$ and $\nu_\tau$



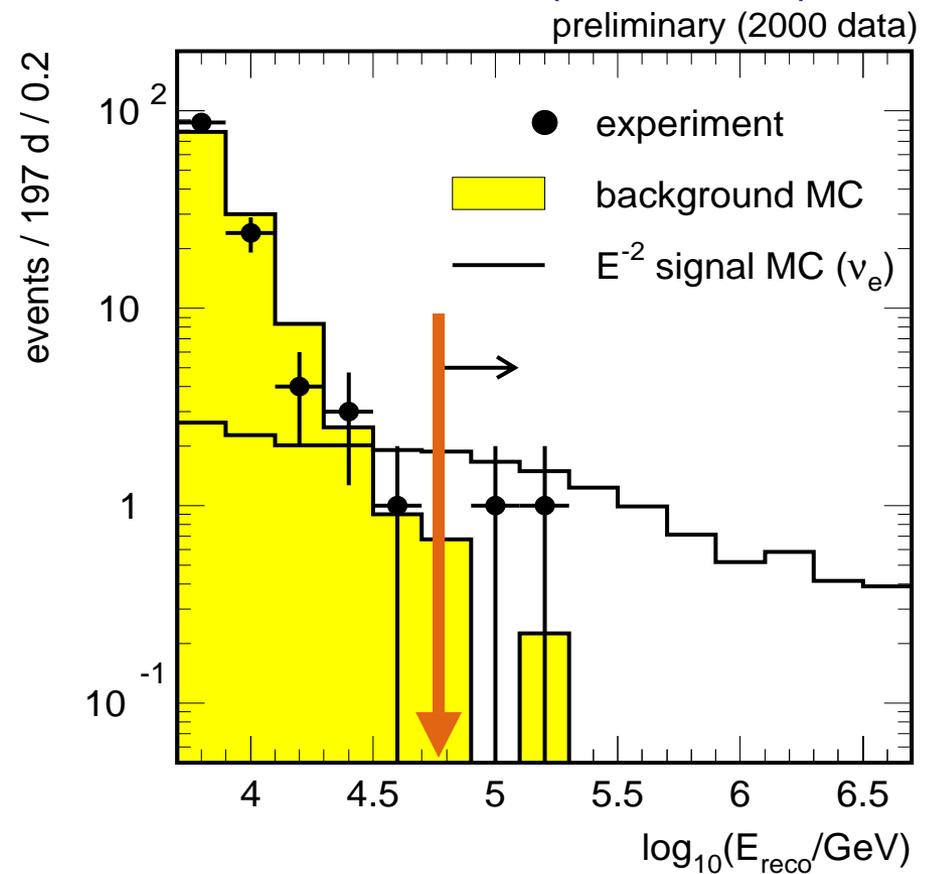
# Excess of cosmic neutrinos?

.. for now use number of hit channels as energy variable ...

muon neutrinos (1997 B10-data)

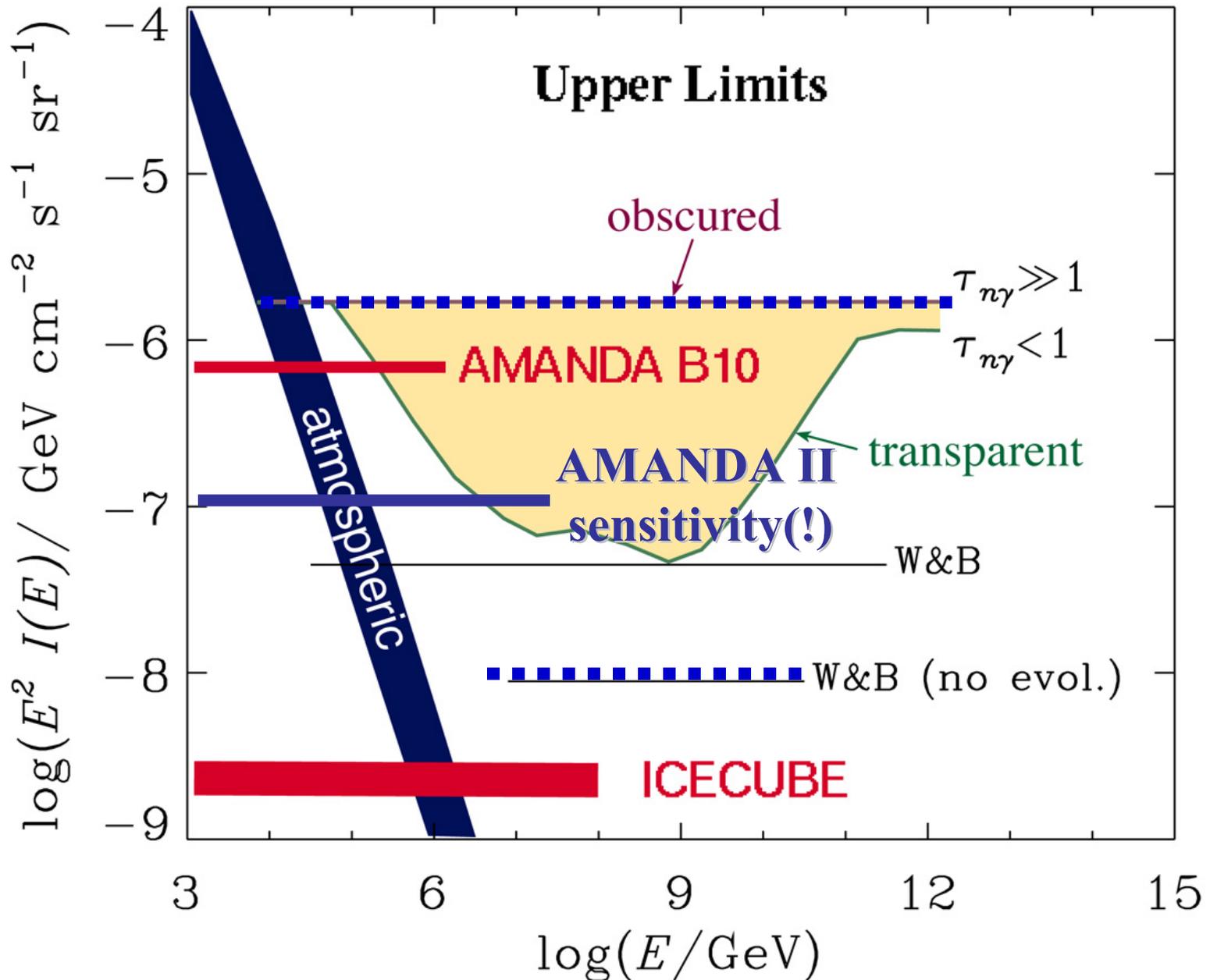


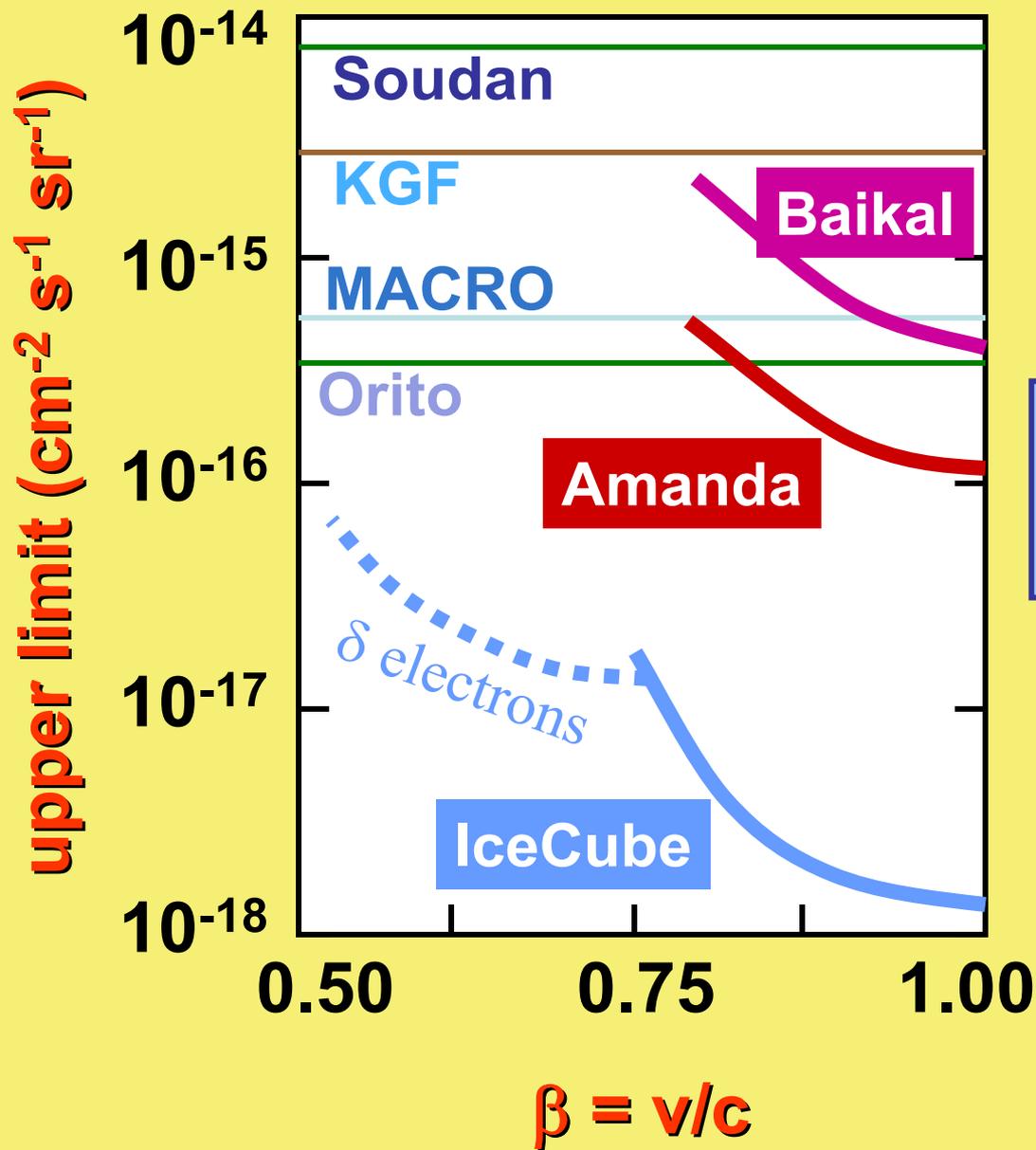
Electron + tau (2000 data)



cuts determined by MC – blind analyses !

# neutrinos associated with the source of the cosmic rays?





# Relativistic Magnetic Monopoles

Cherenkov light output  $\propto n^2 \cdot (g/e)^2$

$n = 1.33$

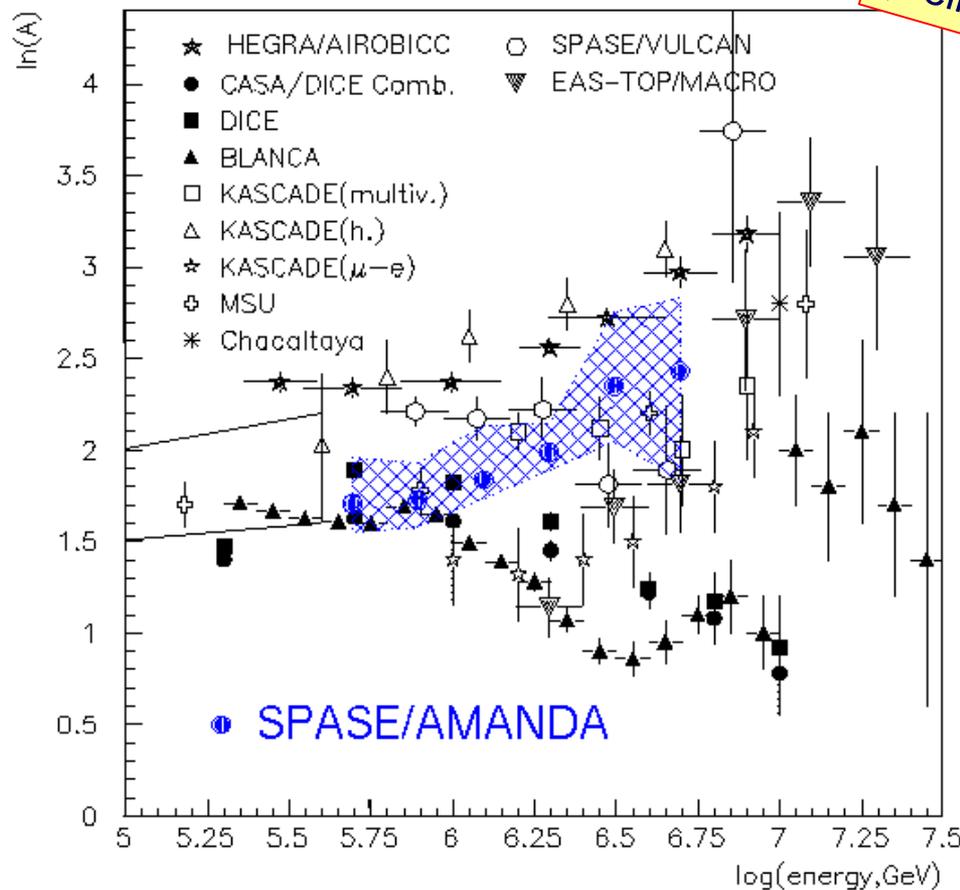
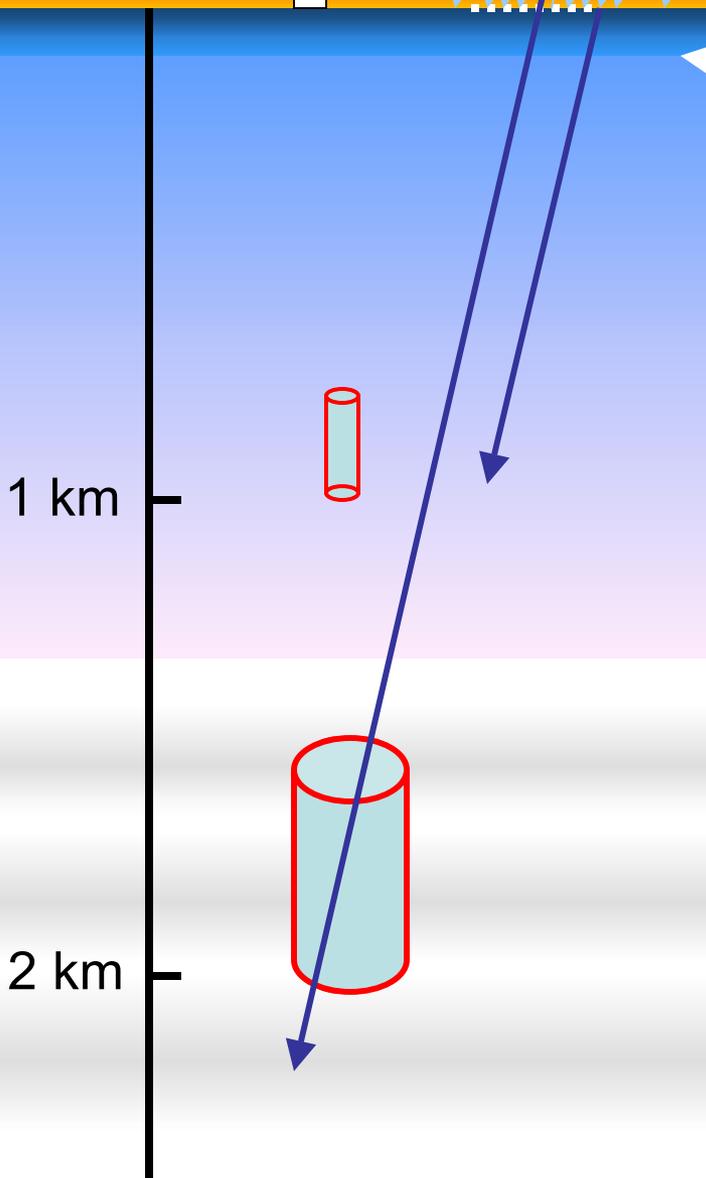
$(g/e) = 137 / 2$

$\approx 8300$



# Bonus Physics: Cosmic ray composition

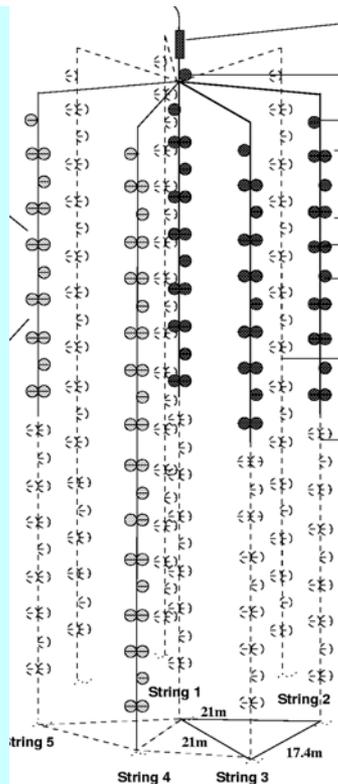
## SPASE air shower arrays



preliminary

# Northern hemisphere detectors

## Baikal NT200



**1100 m deep**

**data taking since 1998  
new: 3 distant strings**

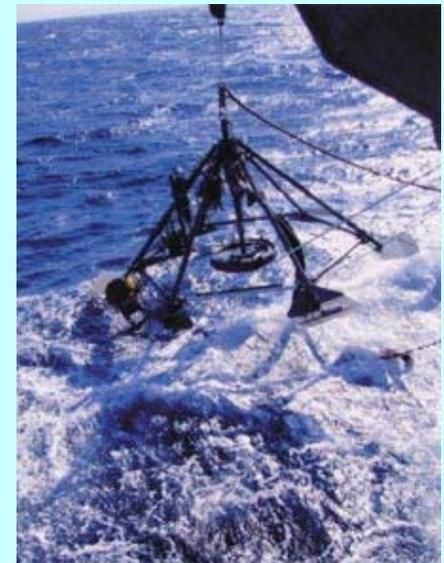
## Antares



**March 17, 2003**

**2 strings connected  
2400 m deep  
completion: start 2006**

## Nestor



**March 29, 2003**

**1 of 12 floors deployed  
4000 m deep  
completion:**

# Optical Cerenkov Neutrino Telescope Projects

**ANTARES**

La-Seyne-sur-Mer, France



**NEMO**

Catania, Italy

**NESTOR**

Pylos, Greece



**BAIKAL**

Russia



**DUMAND**

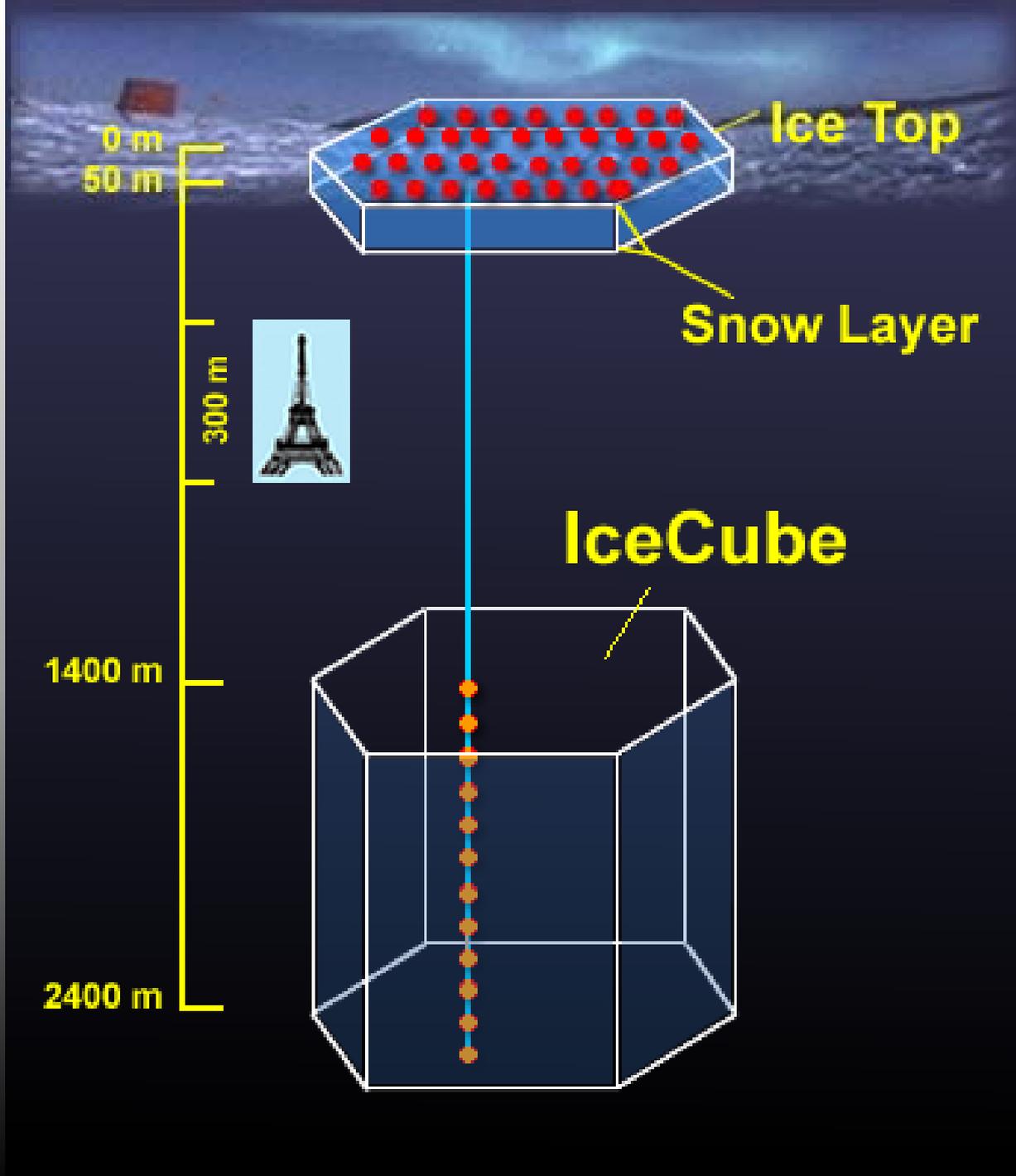
Hawaii

(cancelled 1995)



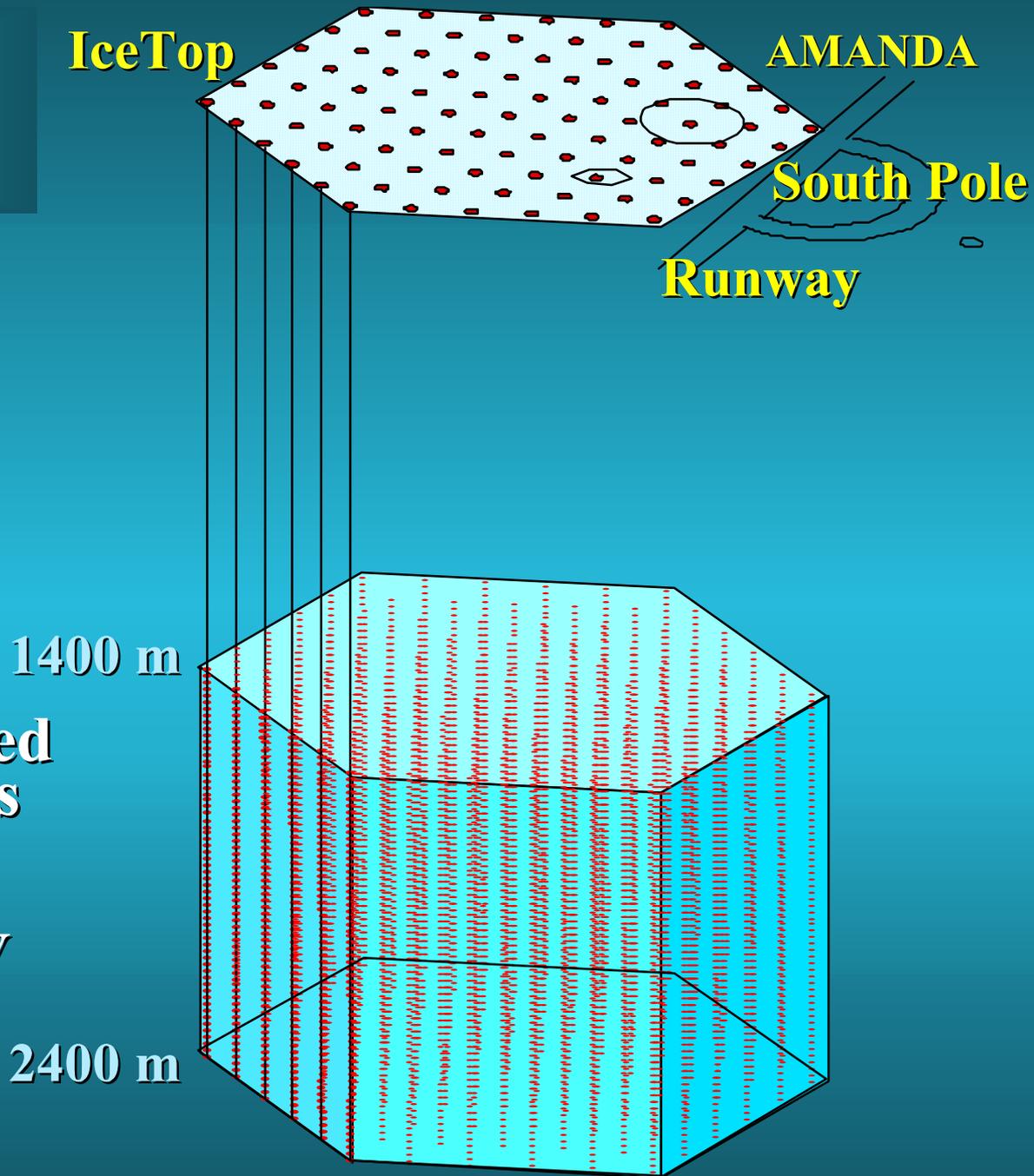
**AMANDA, South Pole, Antarctica**

# **kilometer-scale neutrino observatories**

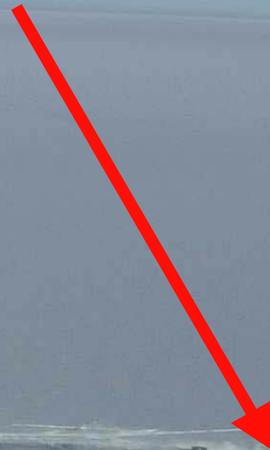


# IceCube

- 80 Strings
- 4800 PMT
- Instrumented volume: 1 km<sup>3</sup> (1 Gton)
- IceCube is designed to detect neutrinos of all flavors at energies from  $10^7$  eV (SN) to  $10^{20}$  eV



**South Pole**



**AMANDA- 1 mile deep**



# South Pole

Dark sector

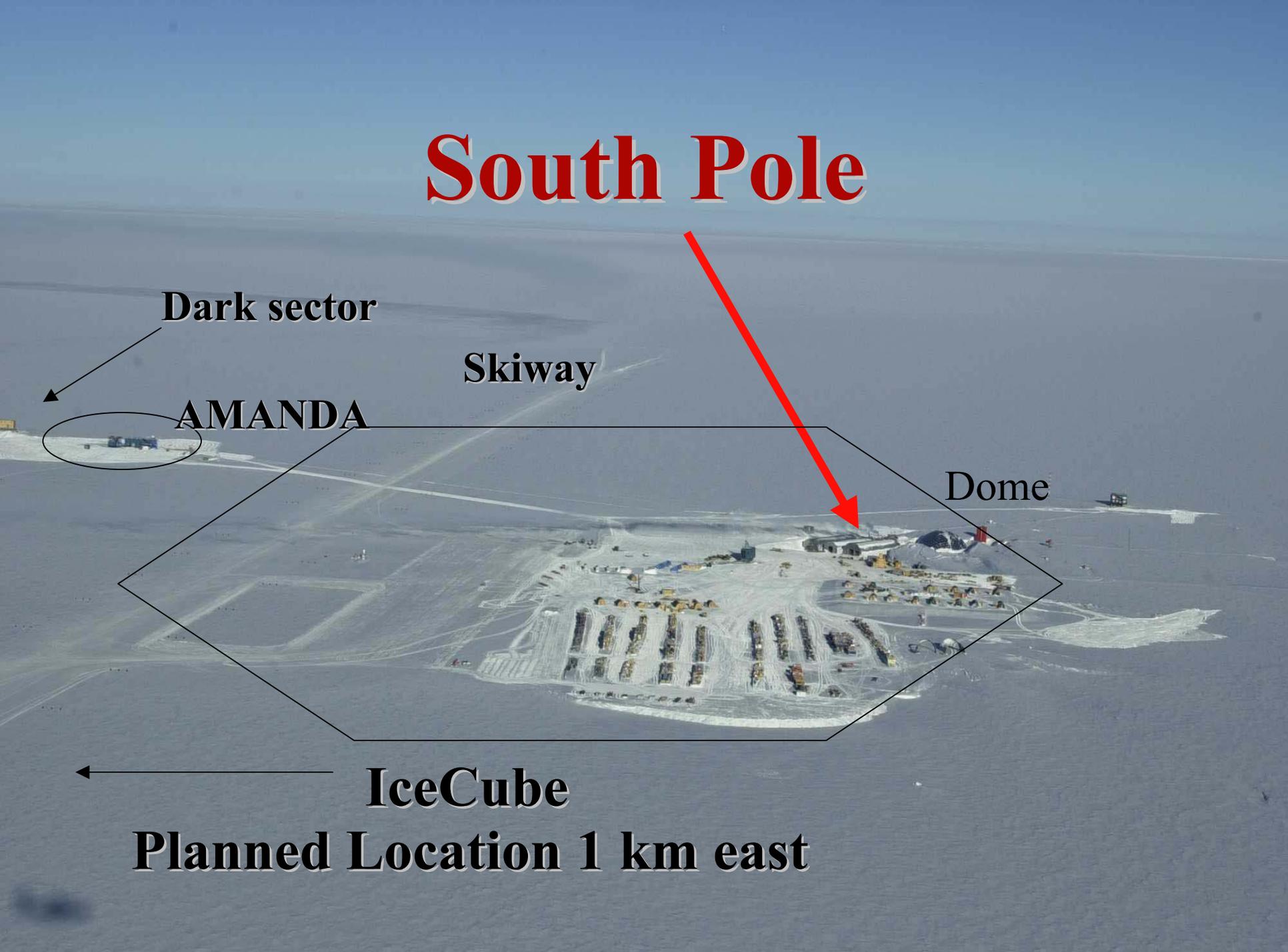
Skiway

AMANDA

Dome

IceCube

Planned Location 1 km east



# South Pole

Dark sector

**AMANDA**

Skiway

Dome

**IceCube**



# IceCube

IceTop

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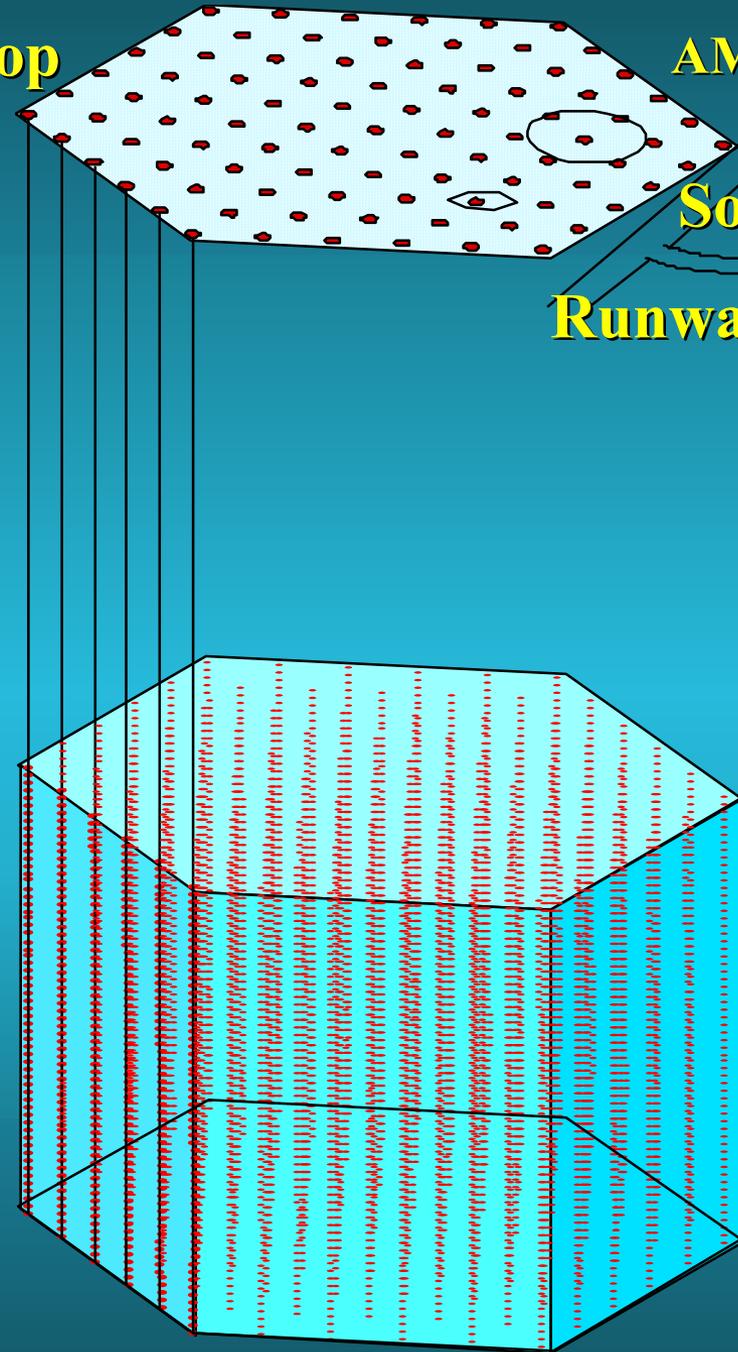
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1400 m

2400 m



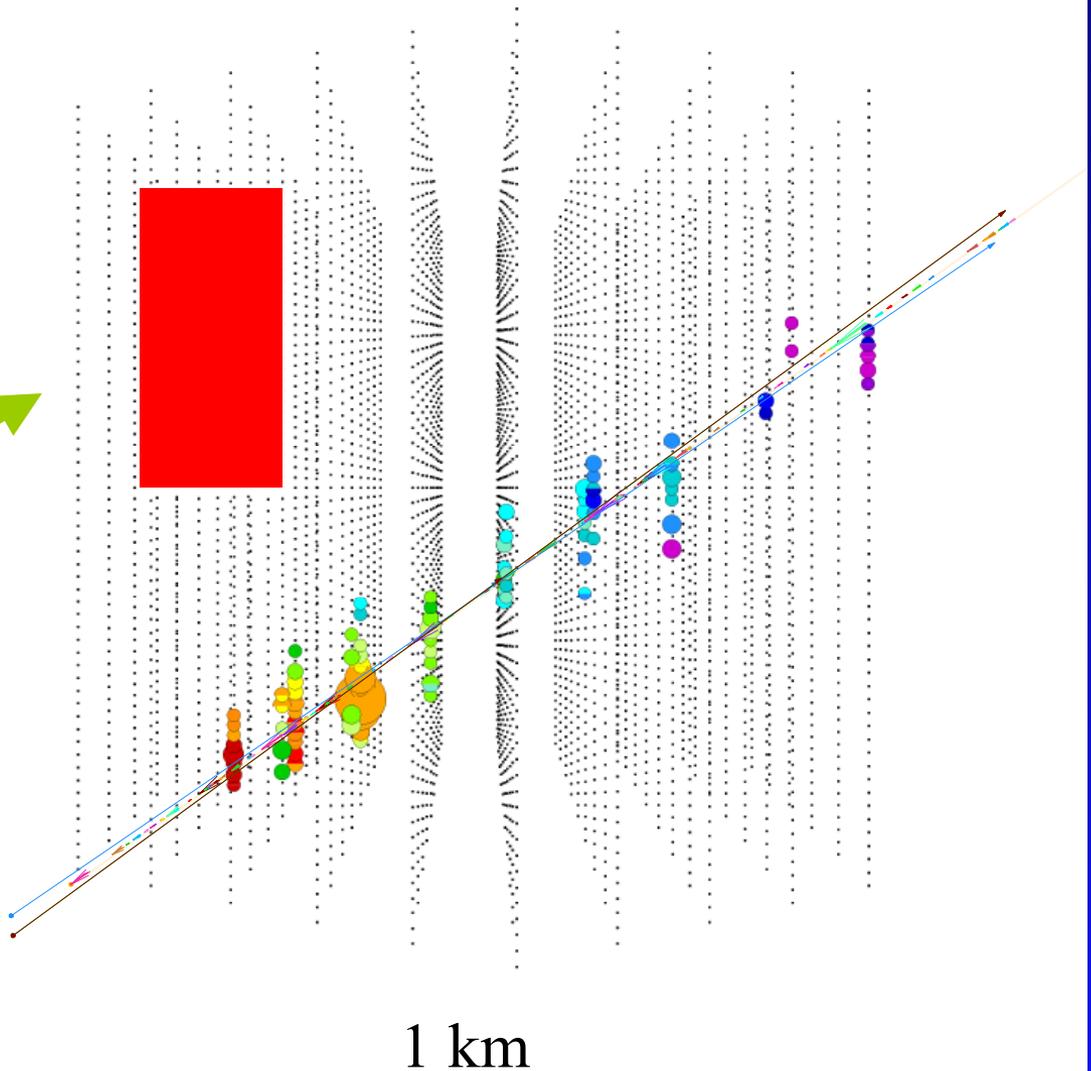
# $\mu$ -event in IceCube

300 atmospheric neutrinos per day

AMANDA II

**IceCube:**

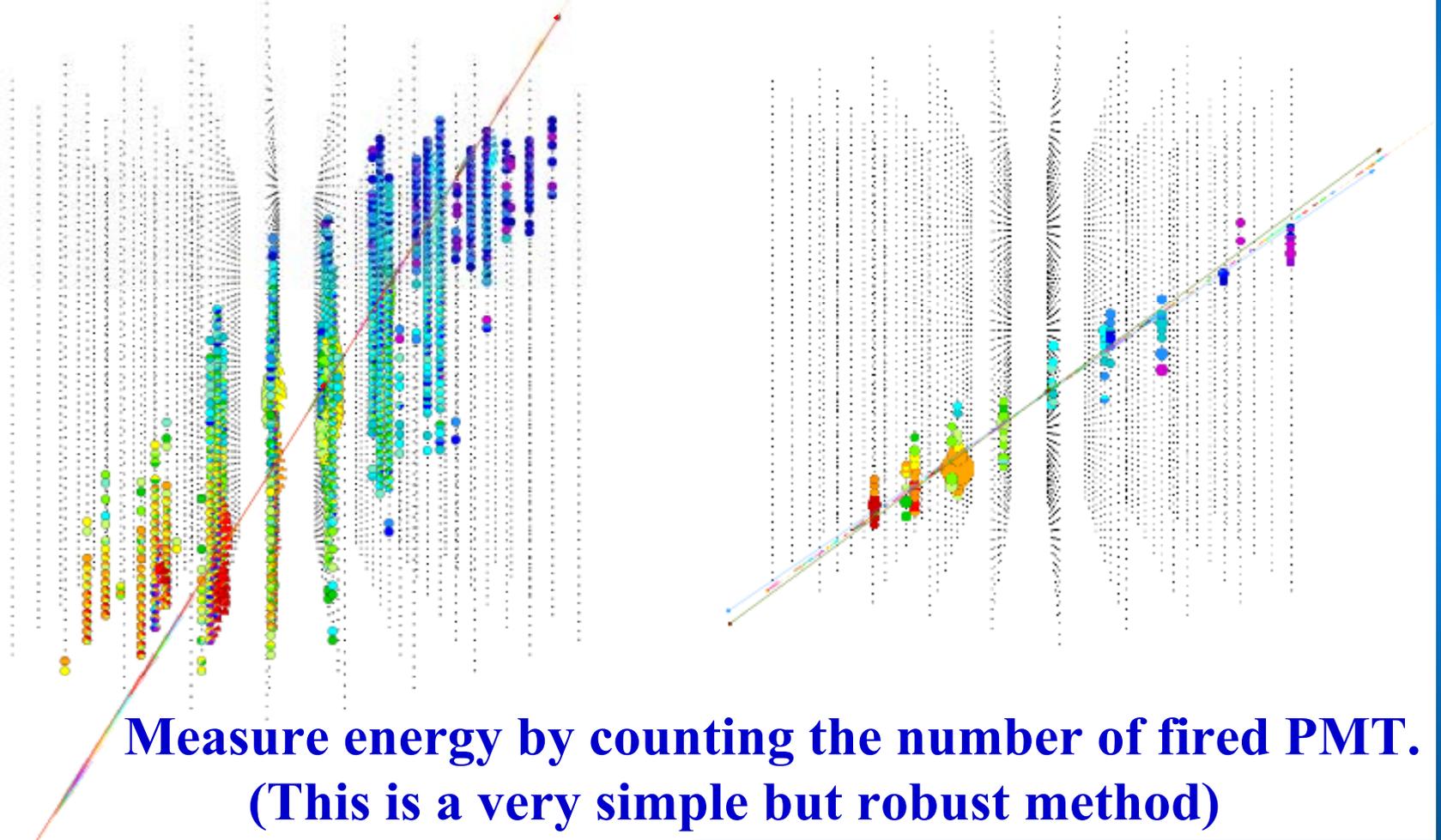
- > Larger telescope
- > Superior detector



# Muon Events

$E_{\mu} = 6 \text{ PeV}$

$E_{\mu} = 10 \text{ TeV}$

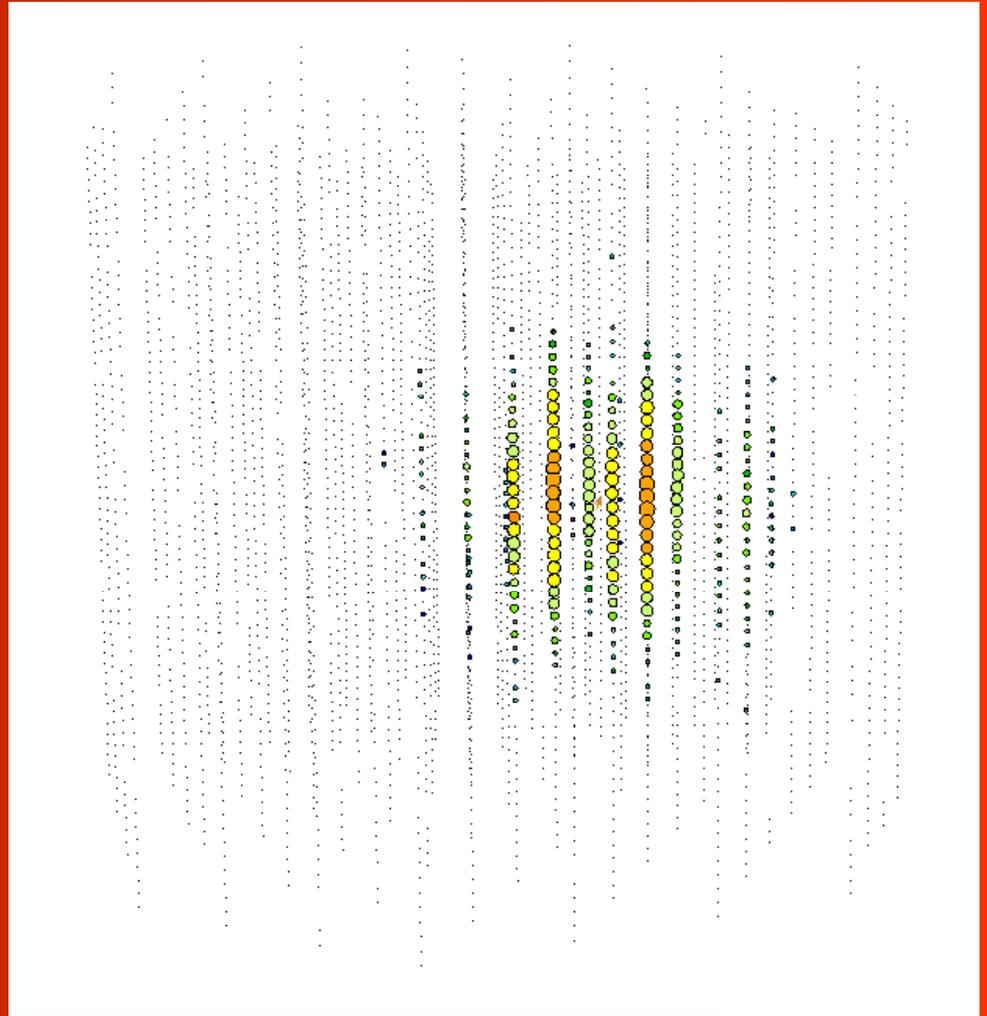


# Cascade event

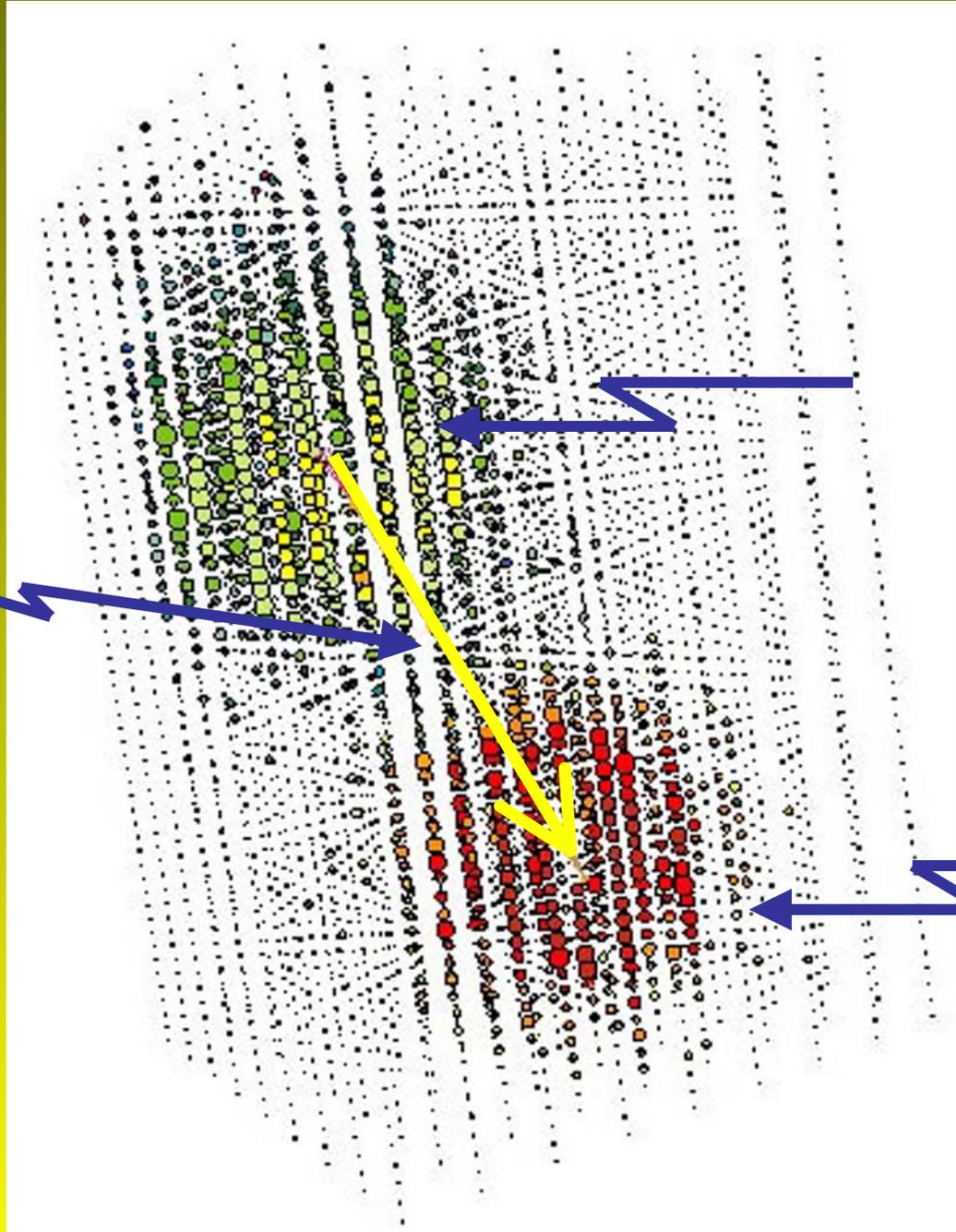


Energy = 375 TeV

- the length of the  $e^-$  cascade is small compared to the spacing of sensors.
- roughly spherical density distribution of light.
- 1 PeV  $\approx$  500 m diameter, additional 100 m per decade of energy
- linear energy resolution



**PeV**  
 $\tau$   
(300m)

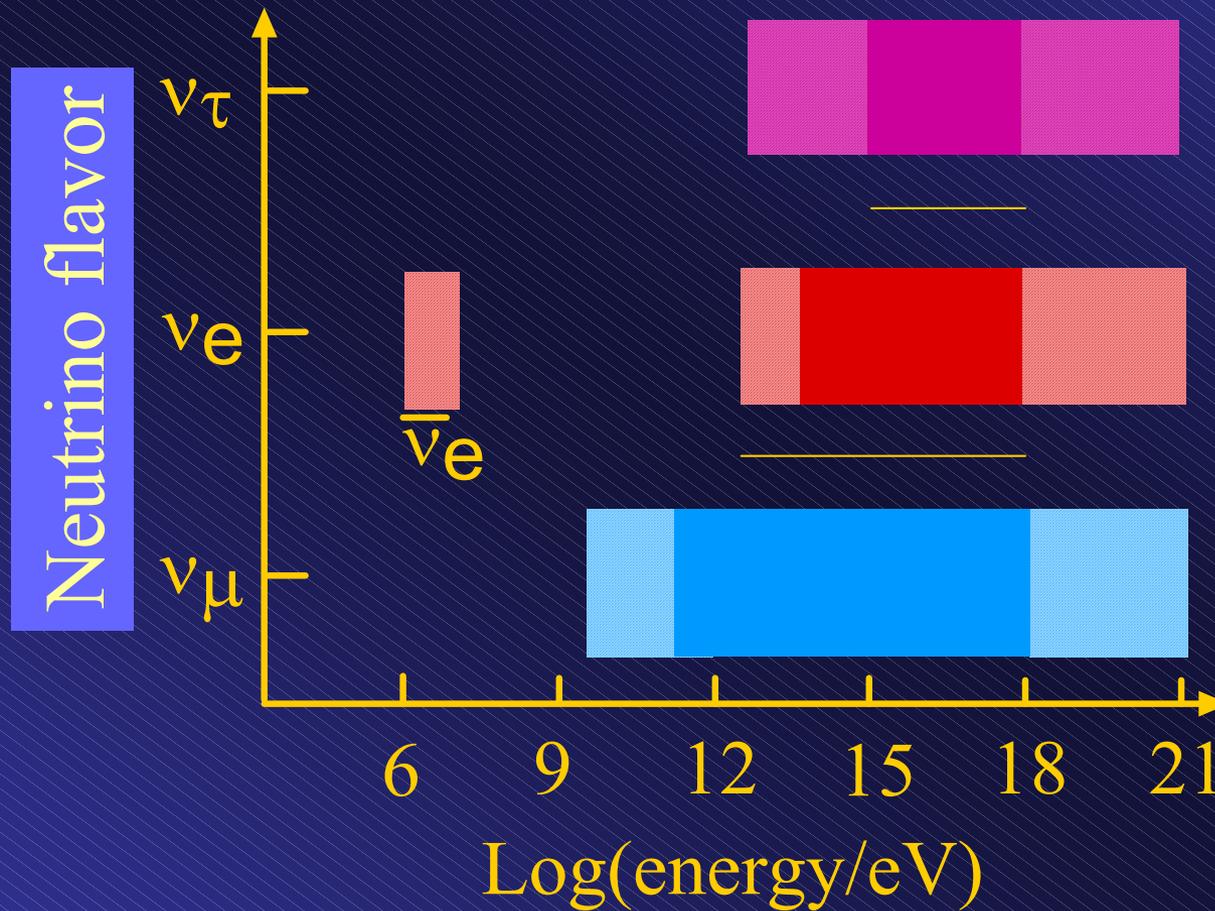


$\nu_{\tau} \rightarrow \tau$

$\tau$  decays

# Neutrino ID (solid)

## Energy and angle (shaded)



- Filled area: particle id, direction, energy
- Shaded area: energy only

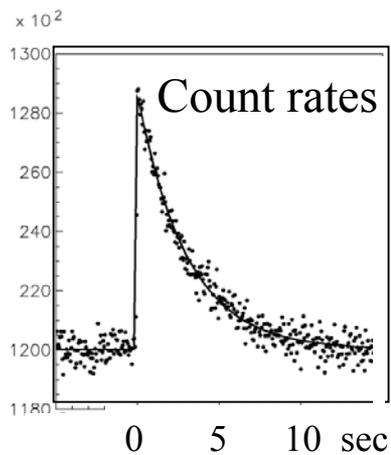
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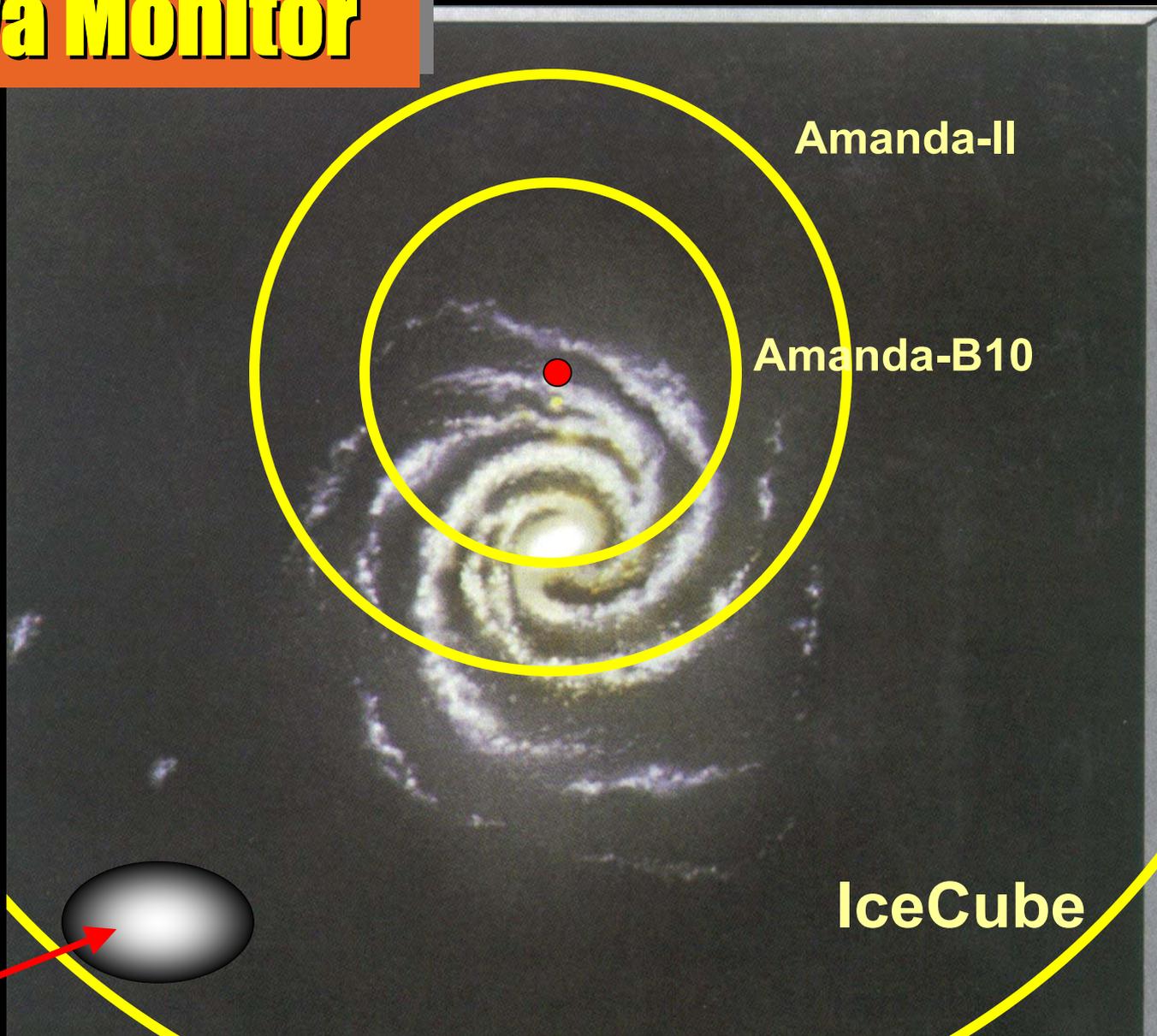
# Supernova Monitor

B10:  
60% of Galaxy

A-II:  
95% of Galaxy



IceCube:  
up to LMC



Raffelt astro-ph/0303210 !

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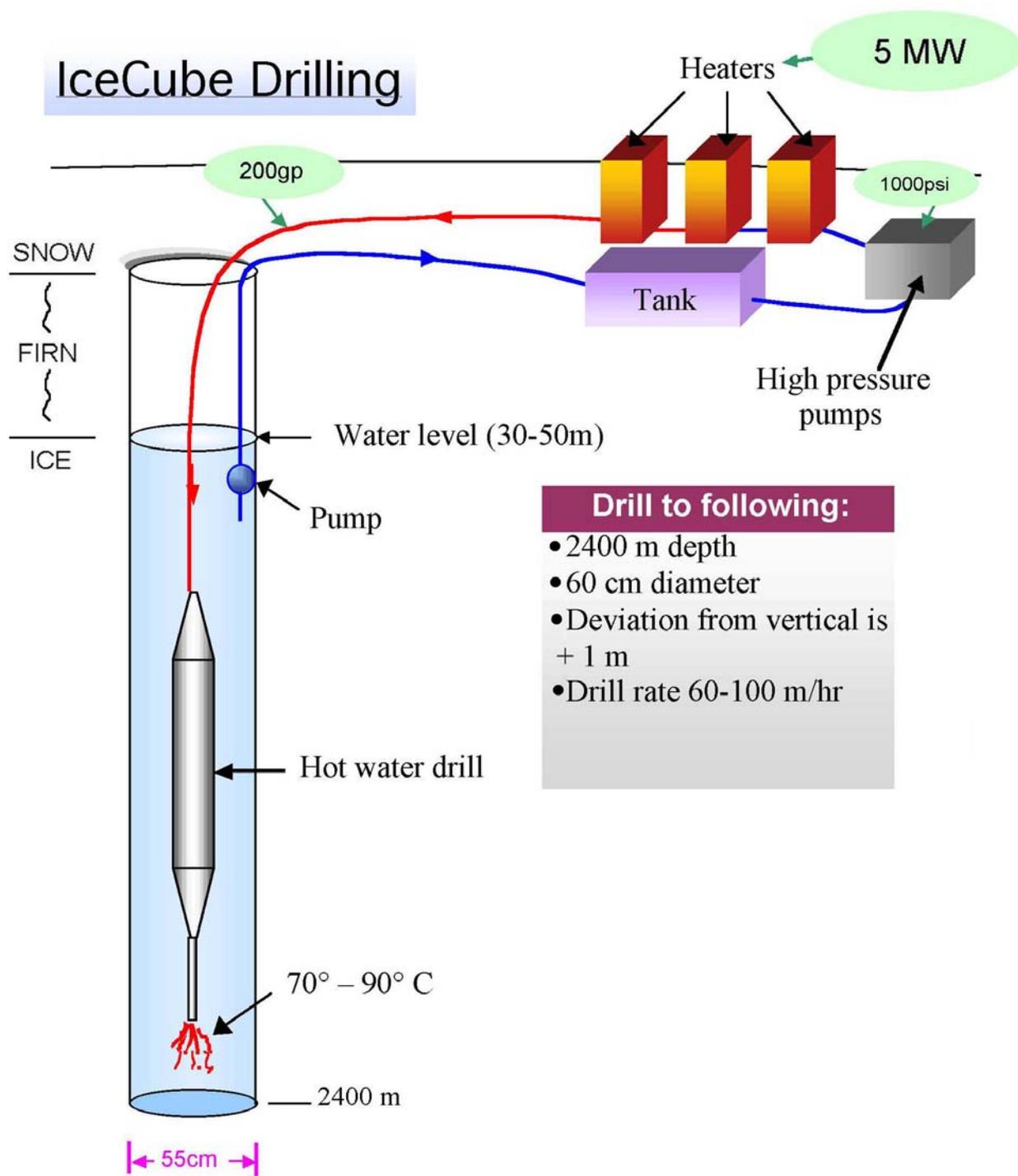
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# IceCube

- start 02
- first strings 04
- completed 09

# IceCube Drilling

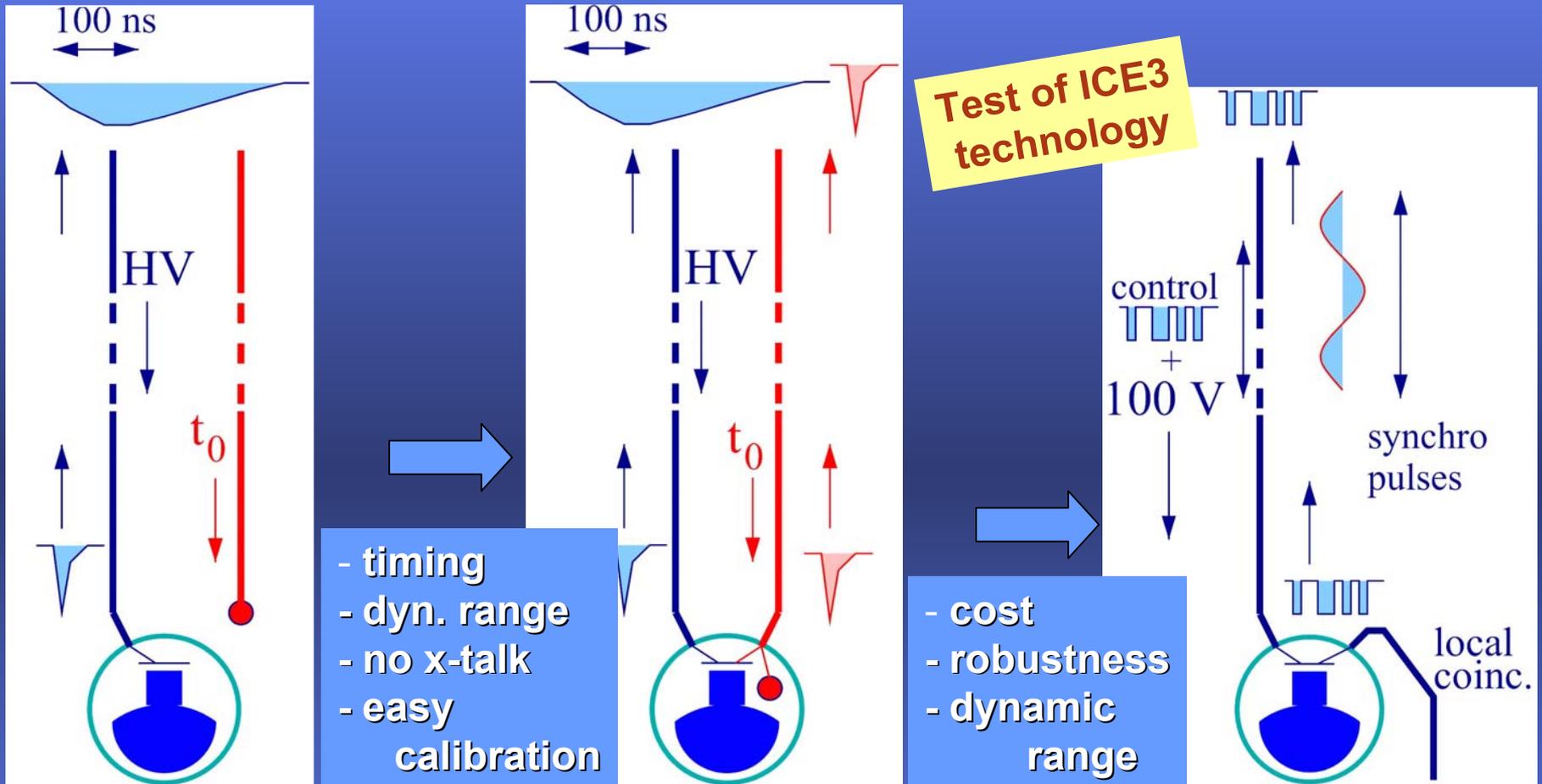


## Drill to following:

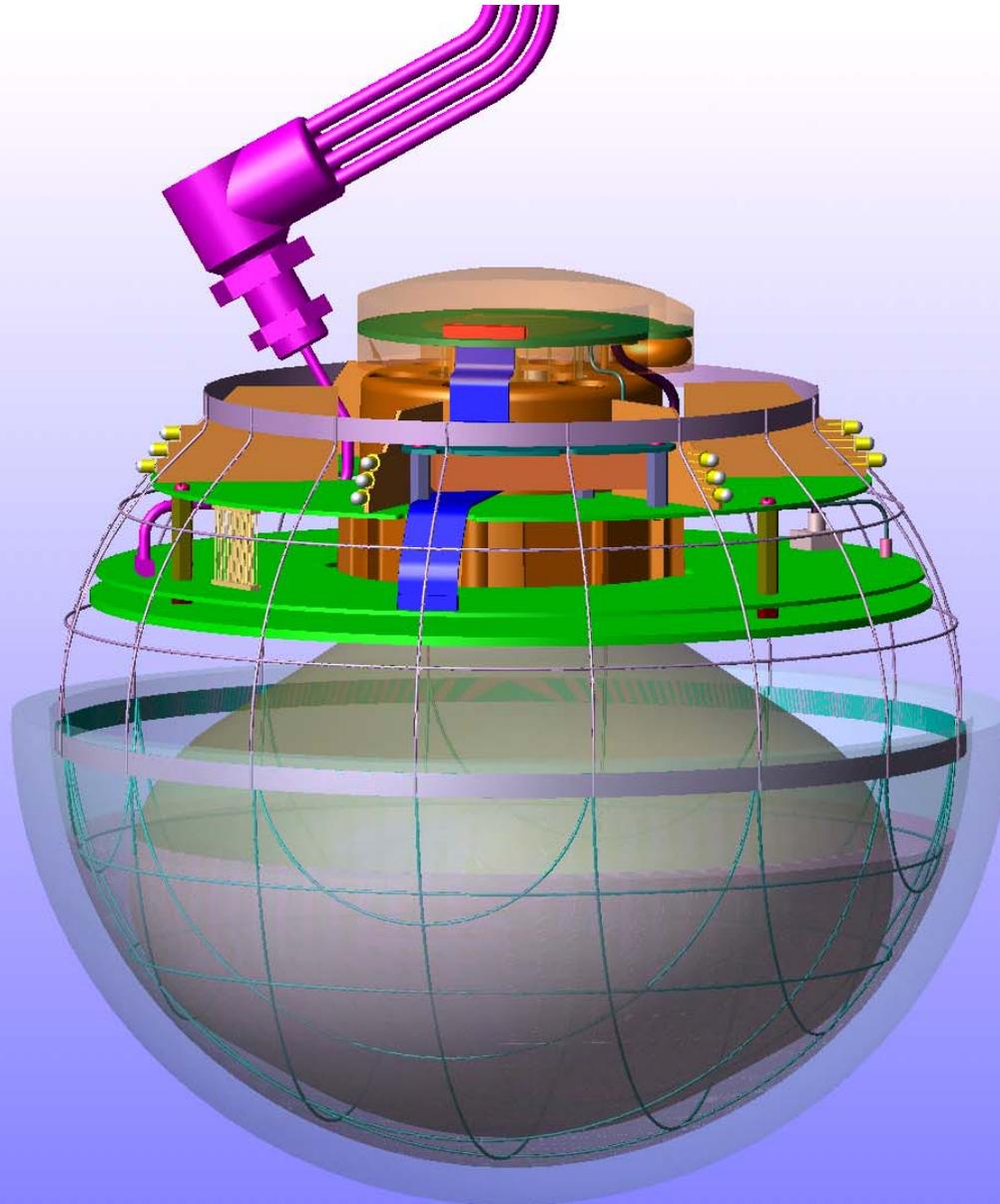
- 2400 m depth
- 60 cm diameter
- Deviation from vertical is + 1 m
- Drill rate 60-100 m/hr

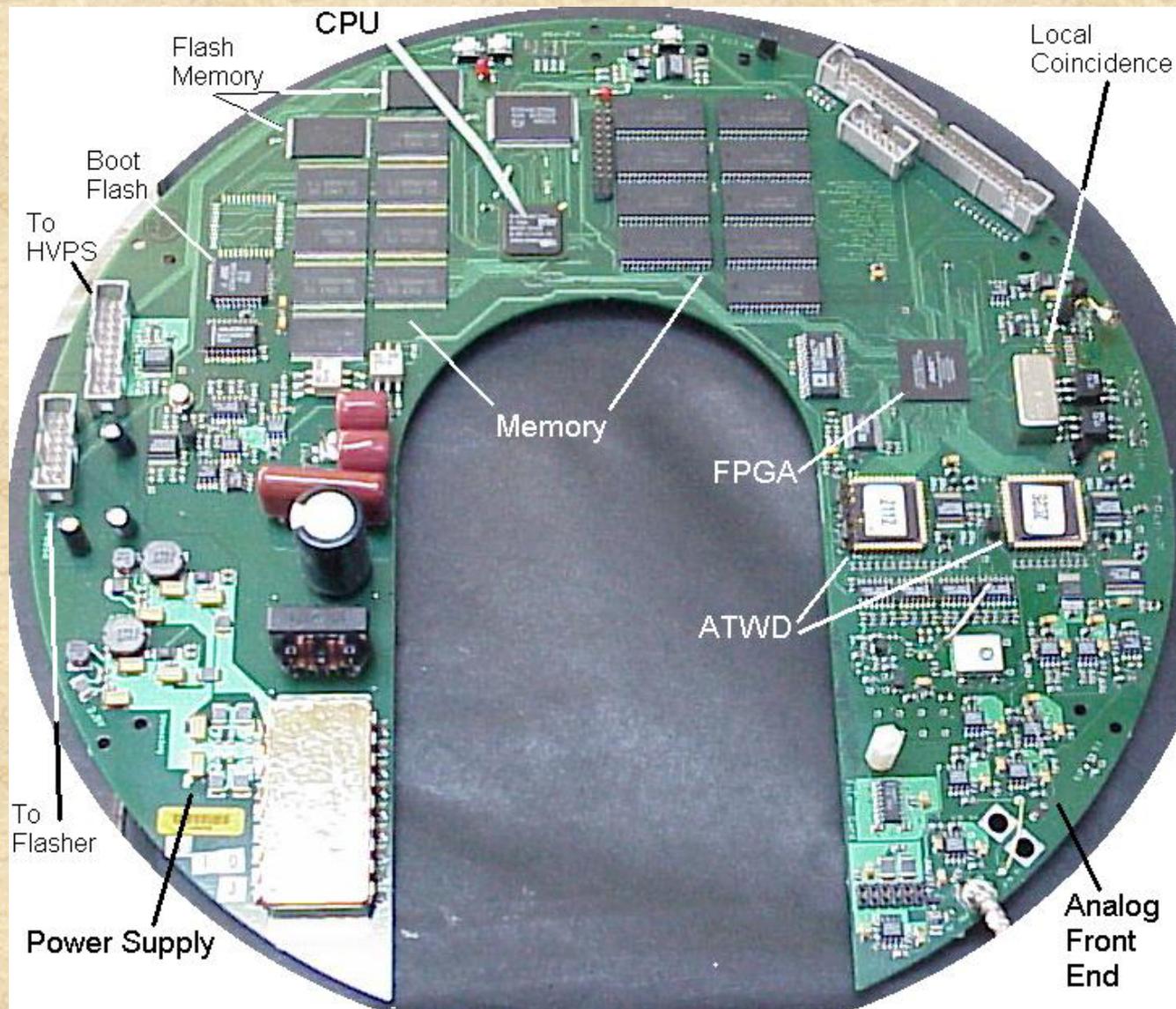


# Evolution of read-out strategy



**01/02 - 03/04: Equipping all Amanda channels with FADCs to get full waveform information (IceCube compatibility)**  
→ better reconstruction, particularly cascades and high energy tracks

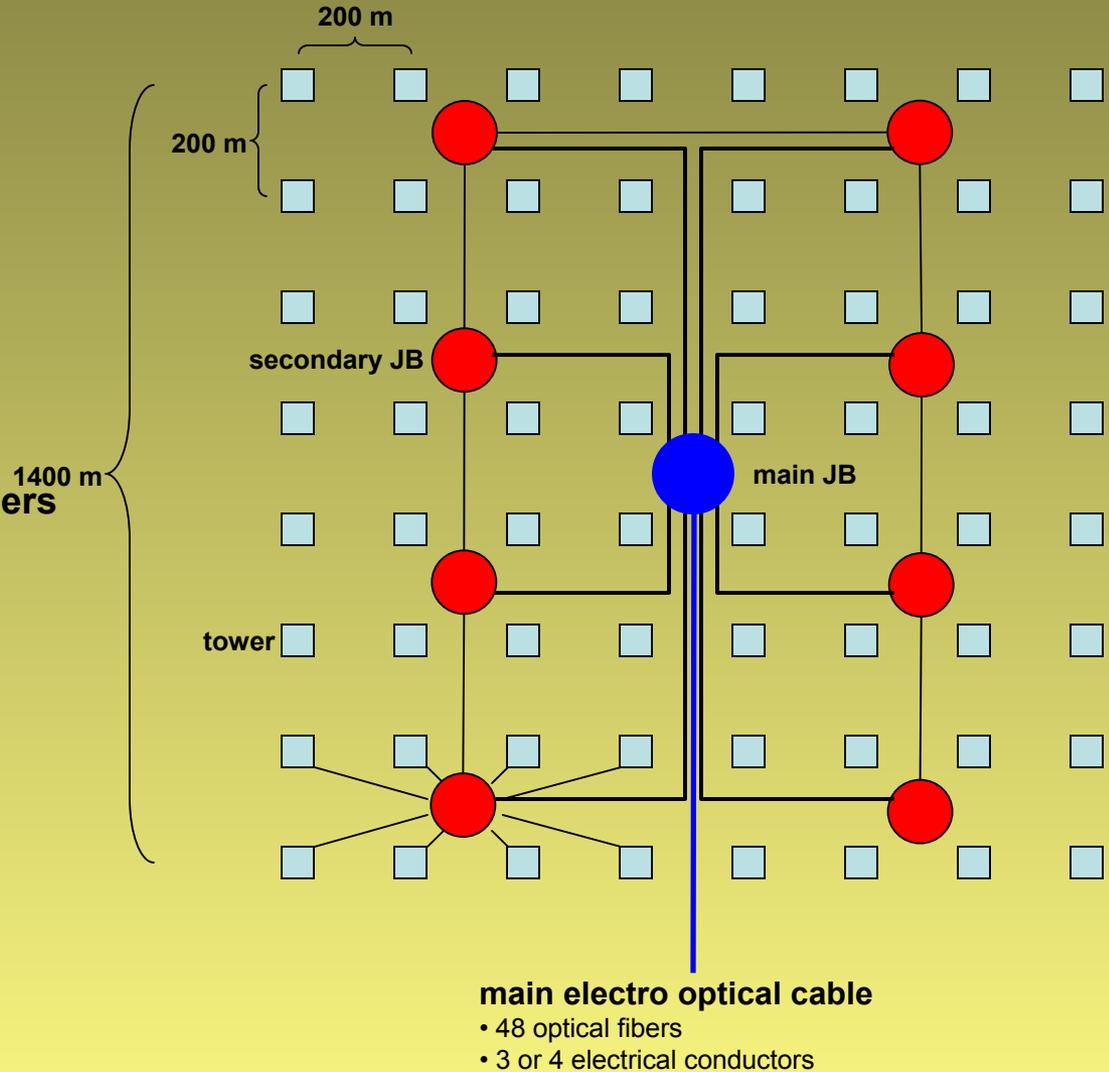




# NEMO

## Actual proposal of general layout for Km<sup>3</sup> detector

- n. 1 main Junction Box
- n. 8 secondary Junction Box
- n. 64 towers
- 200 m between each row and the others
- 200 m between each columns and the others
- 16 storeys for each tower
- 64 PMT for each tower
- 4096 PMT



# NEMO

The use of pipes to realize the storeys gives a very low resistance to the water flow.

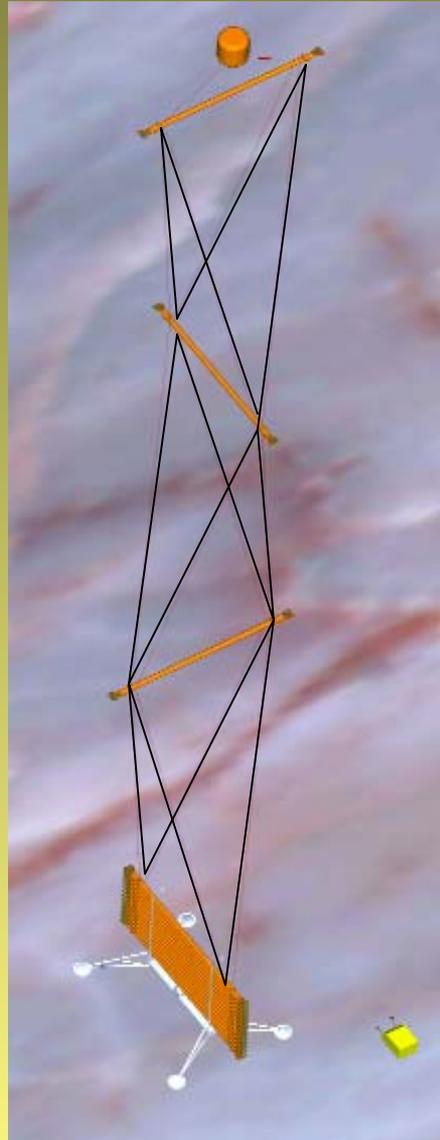
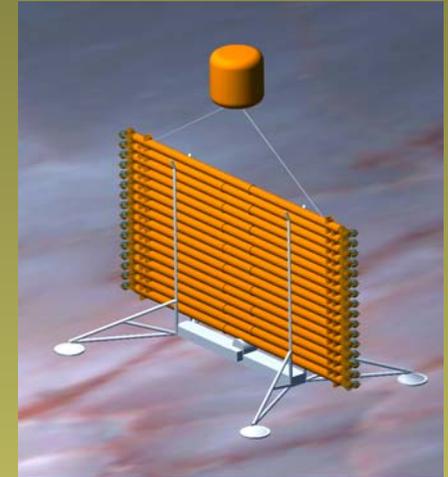
The largest estimated movement of the upper part of the structure due to the currents are lower than 20m.

The mechanical stresses on the rigid part of the structure are:

- a bending due to the weight of the spheres when it is out of the sea water;
- an axial load during the useful life due to the draught of the upper buoy.

The electro optical cables can be easily fixed on the ropes.

During the deployment the main ropes can be kept in position on the pipes by means of small breakable ropes.



# **IceCube has been designed as a discovery instrument with improved:**

- **telescope area ( $> 1\text{km}^2$  after all cuts)**
- **detection volume ( $> 1\text{km}^3$  after all cuts)**
- **energy measurement:**
  - secondary muons ( $< 0.3$  in  $\ln E$ ) and**
  - electromagnetic showers ( $< 20\%$  in  $E$ )**
- **identification of neutrino flavor**
- **Sub-degree angular resolution**
  - ( $< \text{unavoidable neutrino-muon misalignment}$ )**

# AMANDA

- AMANDA collected  $> 3,000$   $\nu$ 's

- 4 more every day on-line

- neutrino sensitivity has reached  $\nu = \gamma$

- $> 300,000$  per year from IceCube

- race for solving the CR puzzle is on!

# The IceCube Collaboration

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