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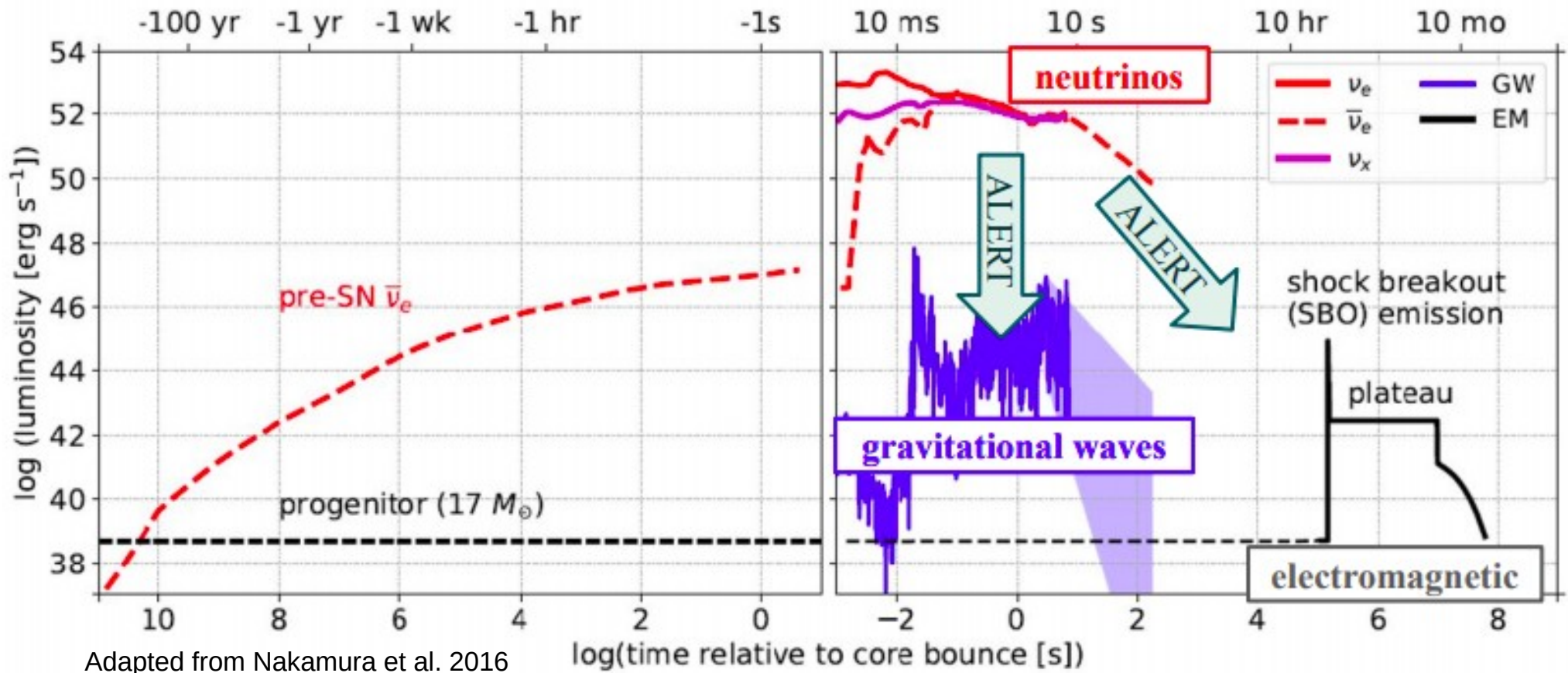
A network of detectors sensitive to core-collapse supernova neutrinos



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Core-Collapse Supernova Multi-Messenger signal



- Next nearby CCSN will produce **neutrinos**, **GWs** and **EM** radiation
- Neutrinos will act as an early alert for the multi-messenger follow-up

Why SNEWS?

Unique insights into astro-, particle and nuclear physics under extreme conditions → Extract as much multi-messenger information as possible

But... the expected rate of CCSN in the Milky Way is ~ 1.5 per century
→ **We need to be prepared!**

- Early and continuous monitoring is crucial
- Bring all neutrino detectors together → search coincident signal
- Coordination with the different electromagnetic telescopes, GW detectors and amateur astronomers



SNEWS

SUPERNOVA EARLY
WARNING SYSTEM

The goals of SNEWS

SNEWS1.0 has been guided by “the three P’s”:

- **Prompt:** provide an alert within < 1 h timescale
- **Positive:** false alert rate (FAR) < 1 per century
- **Pointing:** provide supernova localisation
(pointing not included in SNEWS1.0 alerts)



Prompt and
automated alert
system.



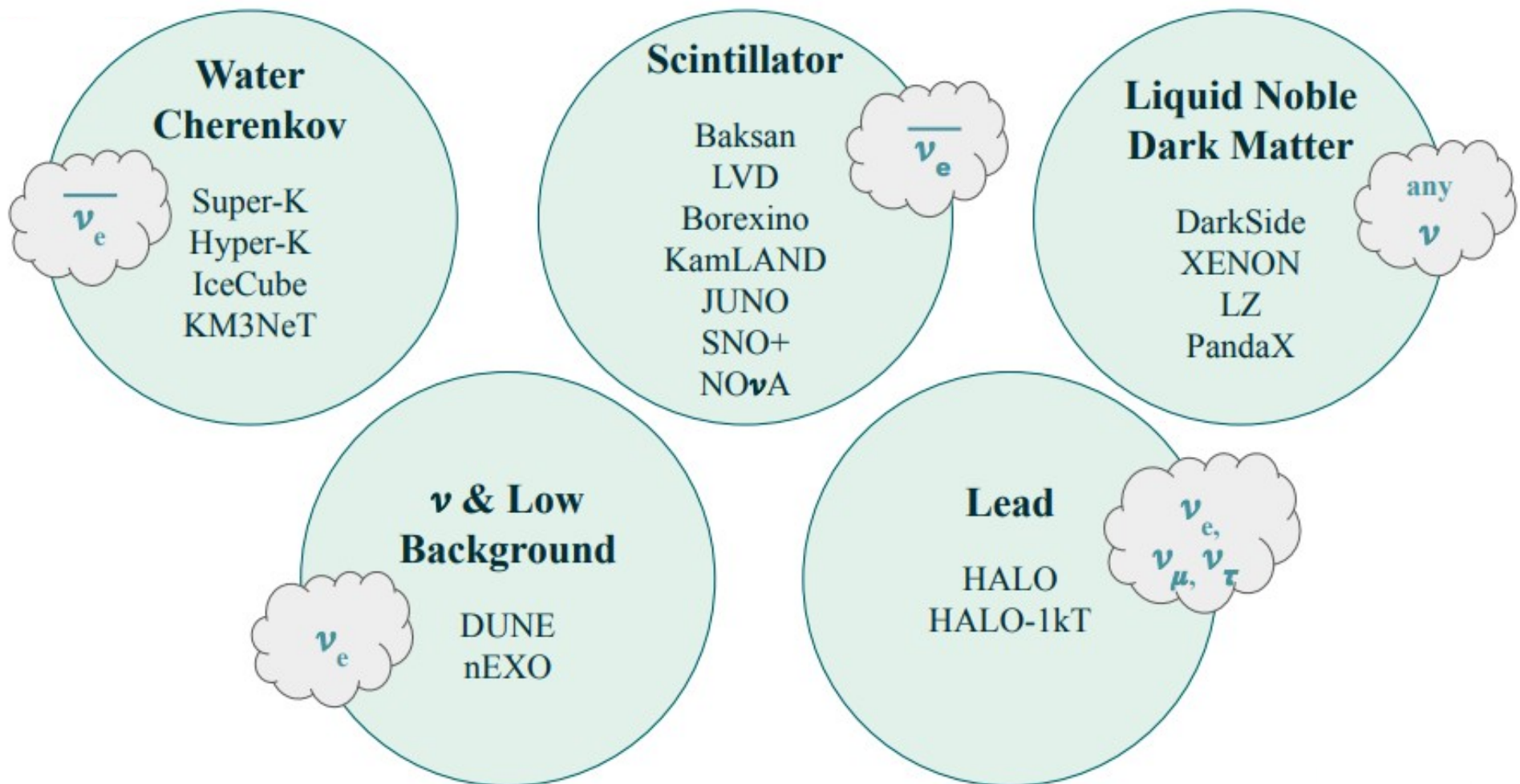
Positive signal
(low FAR)



Triangulation
using multiple
neutrino
experiments.

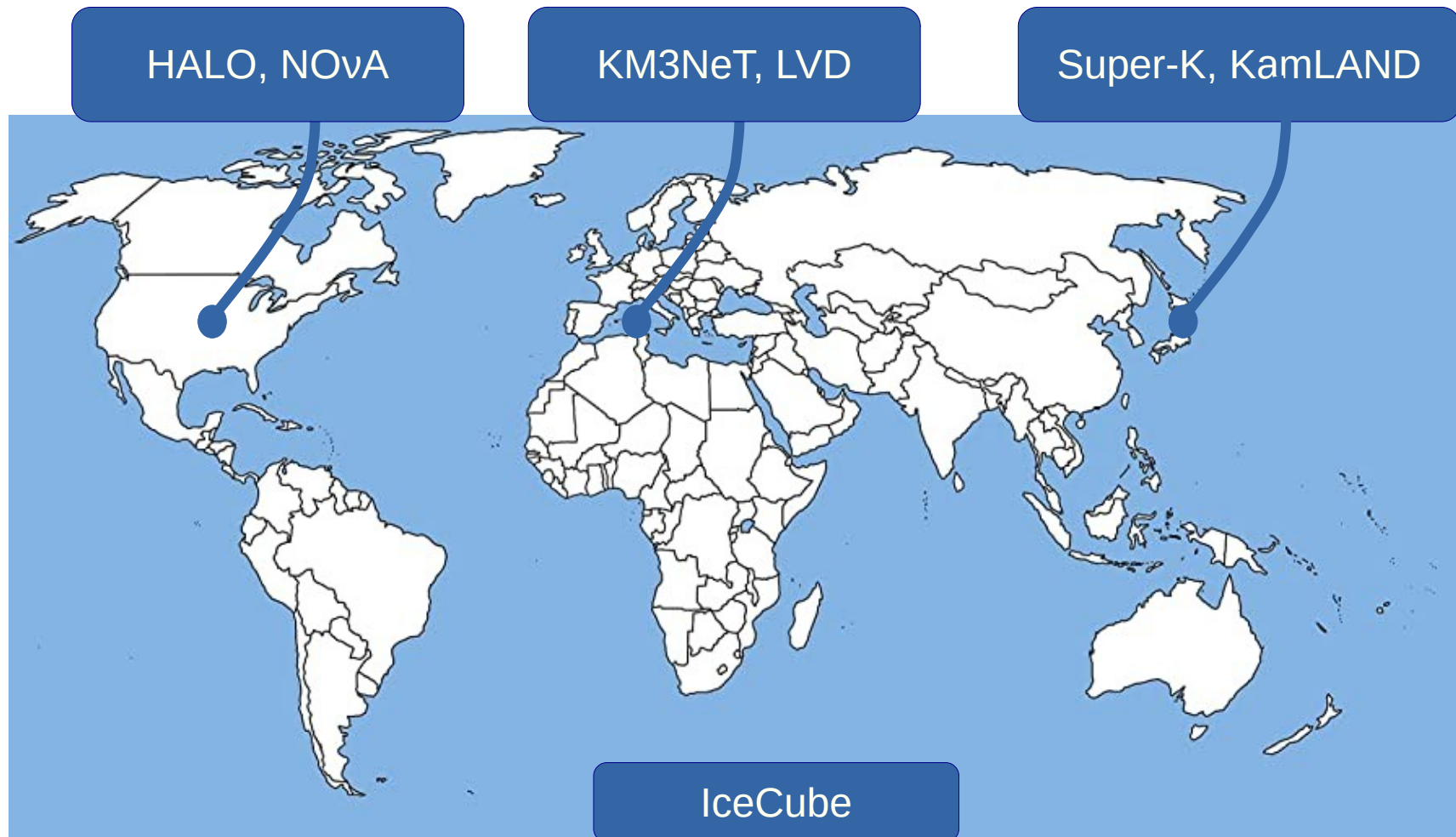
The goals of SNEWS

→ Combining different detector triggers in real time allows for a positive and prompt alert + measuring the different flavor neutrino emission



SNEWS1.0

- Operating in automated mode for almost 20 years
- Currently: 7 detectors send alerts to the network



SNEWS1.0 → SNEWS2.0

→ Since 2019: Re-imagine SNEWS for today's new age of multi-messenger astronomy

- Basic implementation almost complete
- Negotiating MoUs with experiments
- Regular “fire drills” (test alerts) already taking place

→ Move from “3P’s” to “3F’s” of a good alert:

Prompt
Positive
Pointing



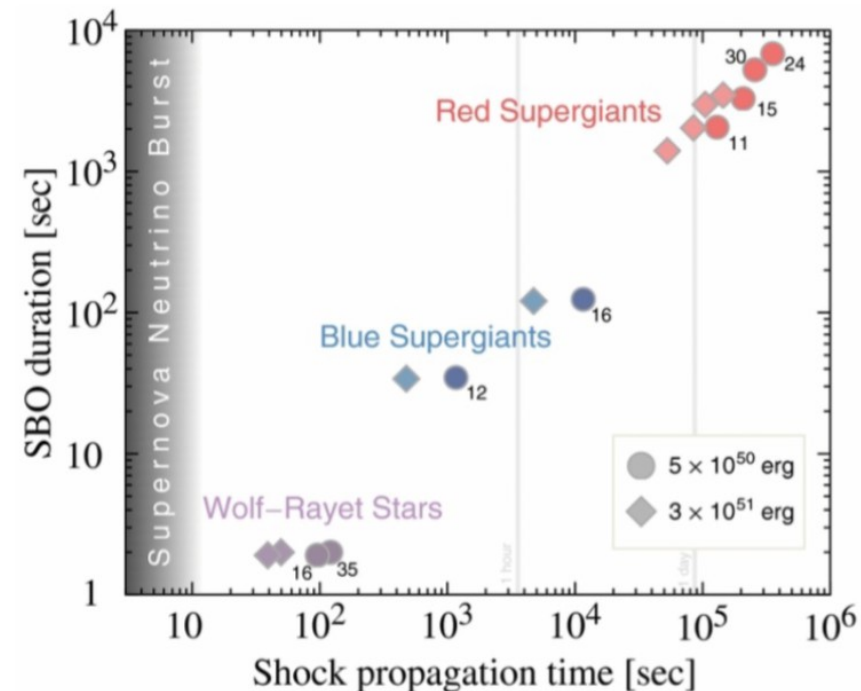
Fast
False Alert
Rate (FAR)
Full featured

Why “Fast”?

- Neutrinos are emitted few-minutes to few-days before EM signal
 - **Telescopes might miss the EM signal otherwise** (bad conditions, not observing at the right moment, etc)
- Neutrinos are emitted together with gravitational waves
 - **Detection of GW counterpart difficult without neutrino alert**

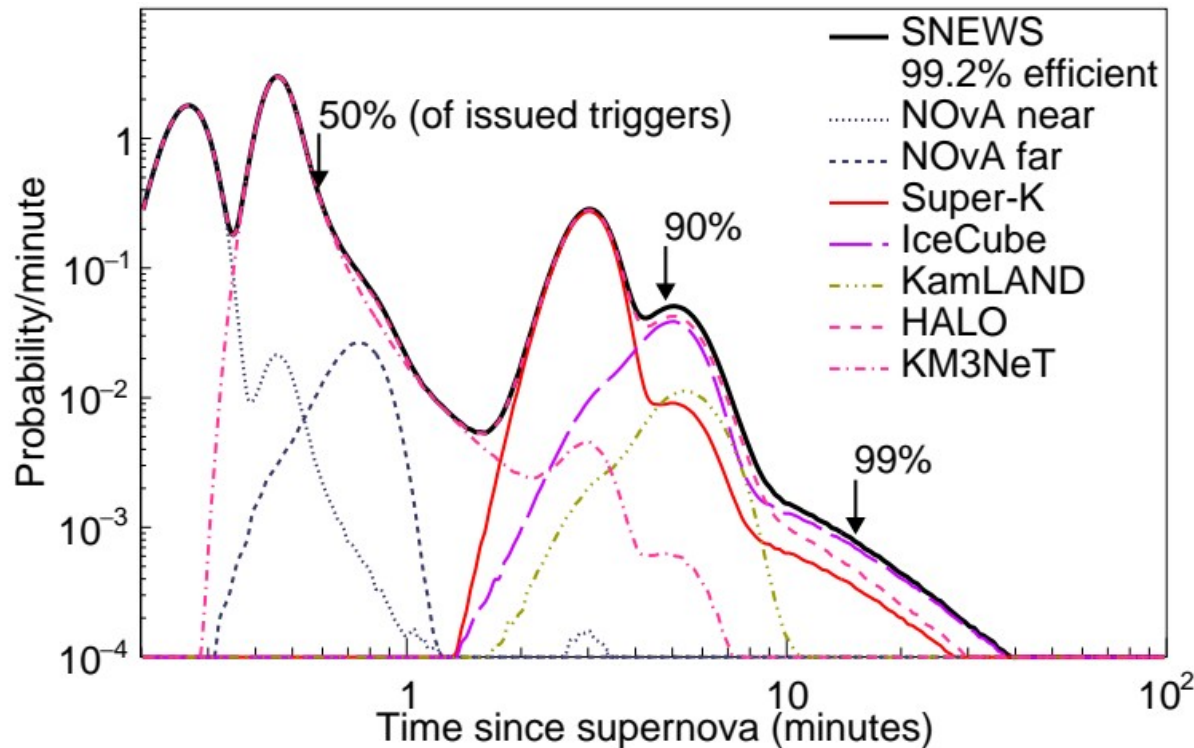
Successful follow-up = rich physics outcome

- Recording of the shock breakout (SBO): progenitor nature
- Identification of GW signal: additional physics



“Fast” alerts in SNEWS2.0

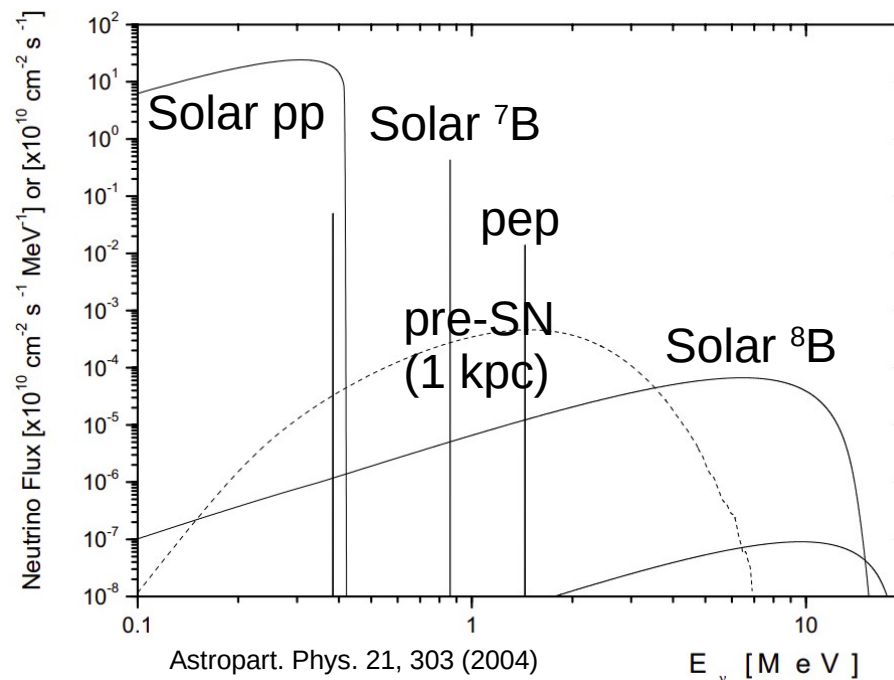
- Lower latency:
- More flexible SNEWS policy
 - Expected server latency $O(\text{seconds})$



- DAQ design of individual experiments is important
- Most current SNEWS experiments latency $O(\text{minutes})$
- Improvement possible for various detectors in SNEWS2.0

“Fast”: Pre-supernova

- Neutrino emission previous to the explosion (during Si burning phase) detectable hours to days before the stellar collapse → **Fast notice**
- Difficult detection due to low-luminosity, low mean neutrino energy and longer time window of pre-supernova signal
- Low-background detectors can detect such signal for close by CCSN events (≤ 1 kpc) → KamLAND+SuperK already share combined alerts



False Alert Rate or “FAR”

When SNEWS started... only positive alerts (FAR < 1 in 100 years)

Now... it is fine to send out uncertain alerts if FAR is included:

- No more need to avoid false positives at all costs, we want to extract as much information as possible
- Allowing higher FAR enables to increase the distance horizon and the sensitivity to exotic and sub-threshold transients
- Astronomers can set their own FAR threshold

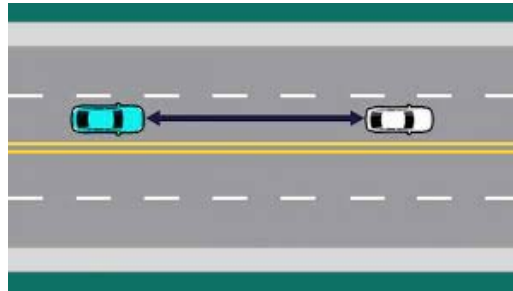
“Full featured”?

→ Provide as much additional information as possible for best follow-up strategy and physics outcome:



Timing of the neutrino signal

...When?



Distance

...How far?



Pointing
(from 3p's)

...Where?

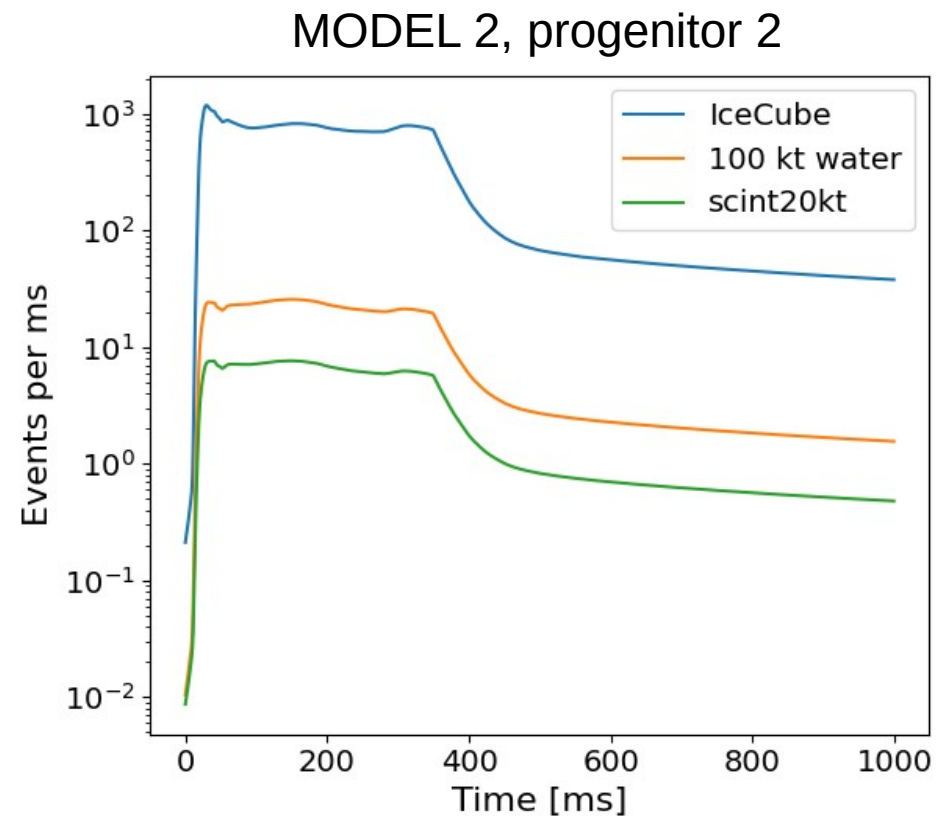
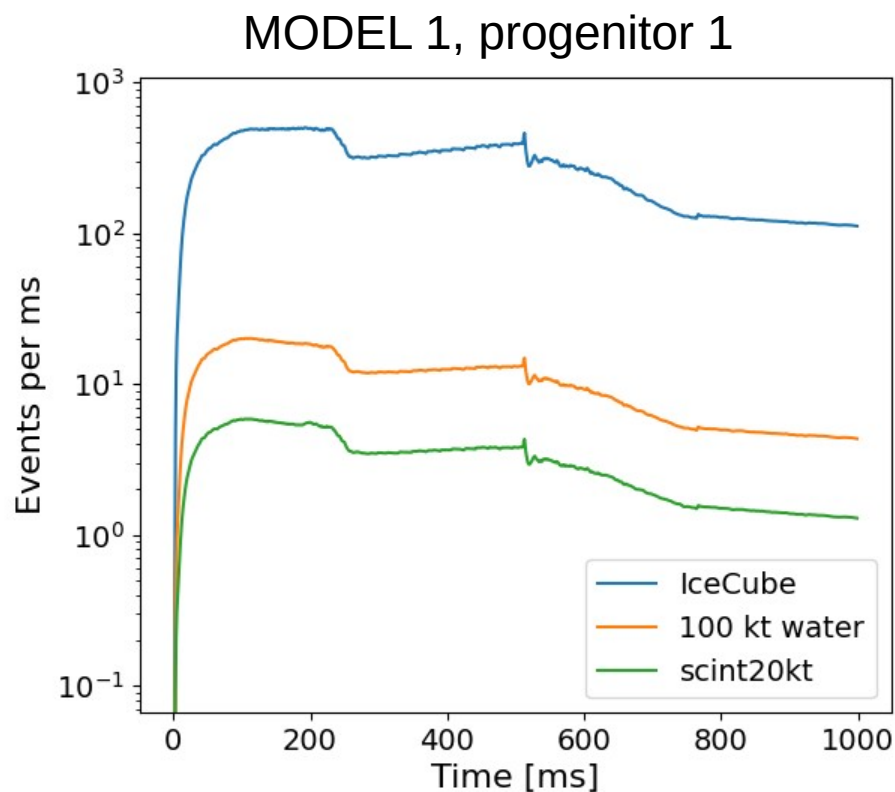


Type of remnant

...What kind?

“Full featured”: Timing

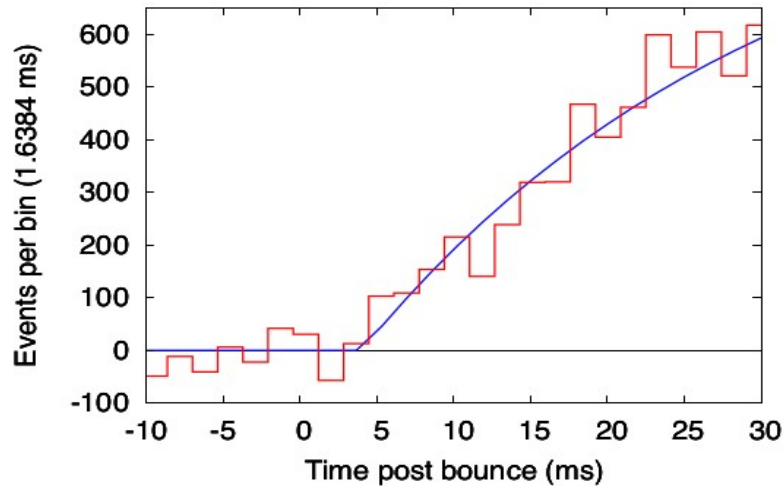
- Neutrino time profile brings information on the CCSN physics (and about the models)



(Example using *snewpy*: <https://github.com/SNEWS2/snewpy> and *snowglobes* <https://github.com/SNOwGLoBES/snowglobes> software)

“Full featured”: Timing

→ Allows to define the time window for the GW signal search

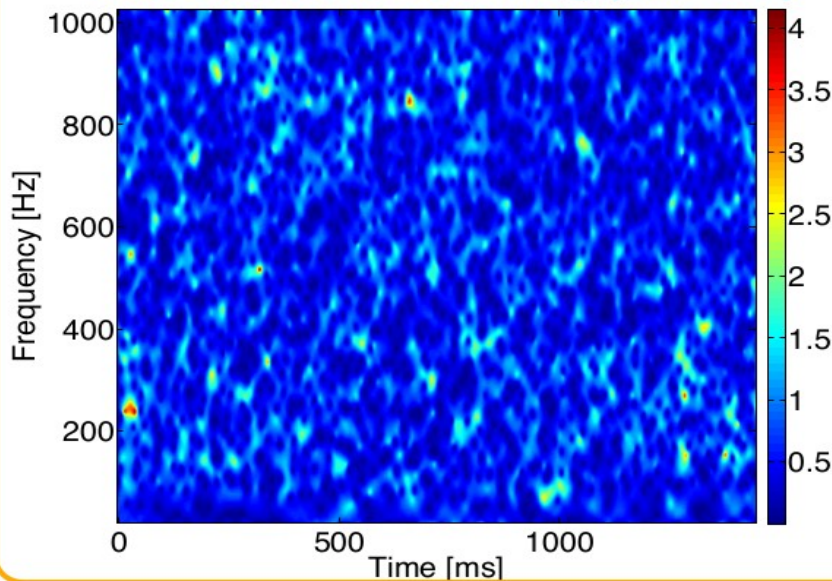


Probe core bounce time with neutrinos.

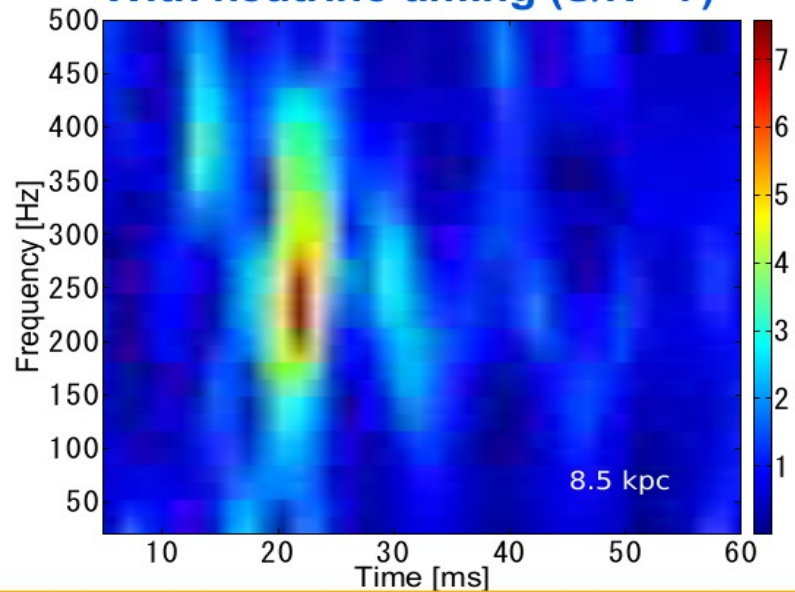


Timing for gravitational wave detection.

Without neutrino timing (S/N~3.5)

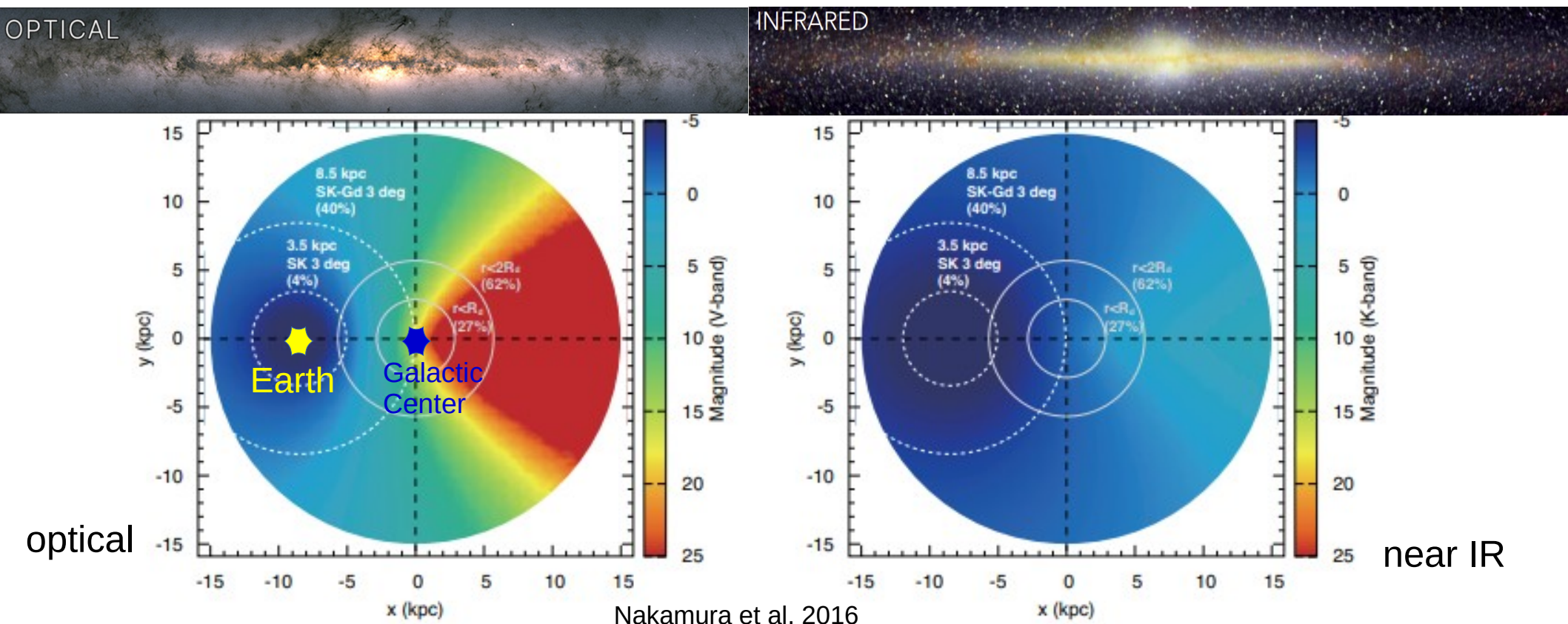


With neutrino timing (S/N ~7)



“Full featured”: Distance

- The source luminosity at different wavelengths depends on the distance
→ may affect the optimal observation strategy
- A lot of background light for Galactic sources + dust obscures part of the Galaxy (more near Galactic Center) → complicates the EM detection



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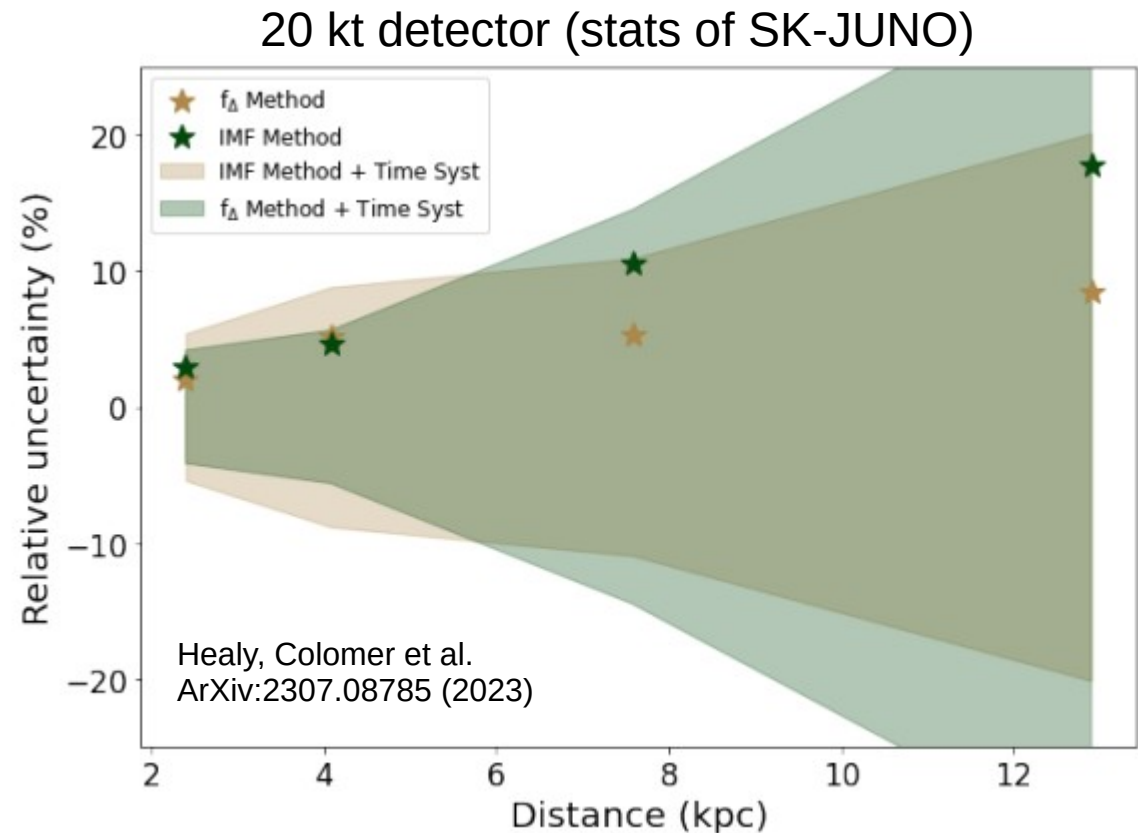
→ Distance can be inferred using the detected neutrino event rate

Segerlund et al., arxiv:2101.10624 (2021)

Observable: N_{50} = events observed in the first 50ms

Two methods:

- IMF: Expected N_{50} weighted over ~ 100 progenitor masses
→ lower stat unc, larger syst
- f_{Δ} : Linear relation between N_{50} and $f_{\Delta} = N_{50}/N_{100-150}$
→ larger stat unc, lower syst



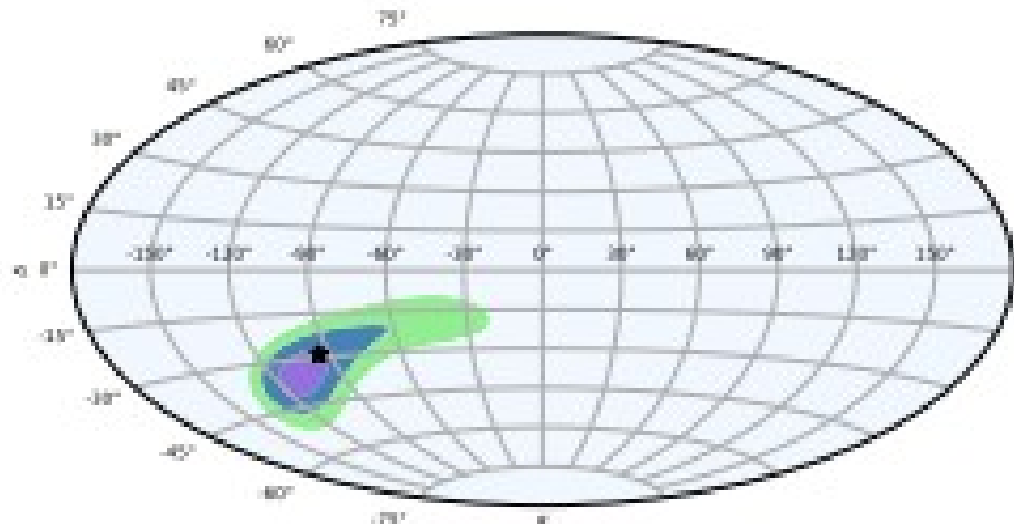
“Full featured”: Pointing

→ **Fast + Pointing = triangulation**

“The time delay between the signal at different detectors defines a sky region”

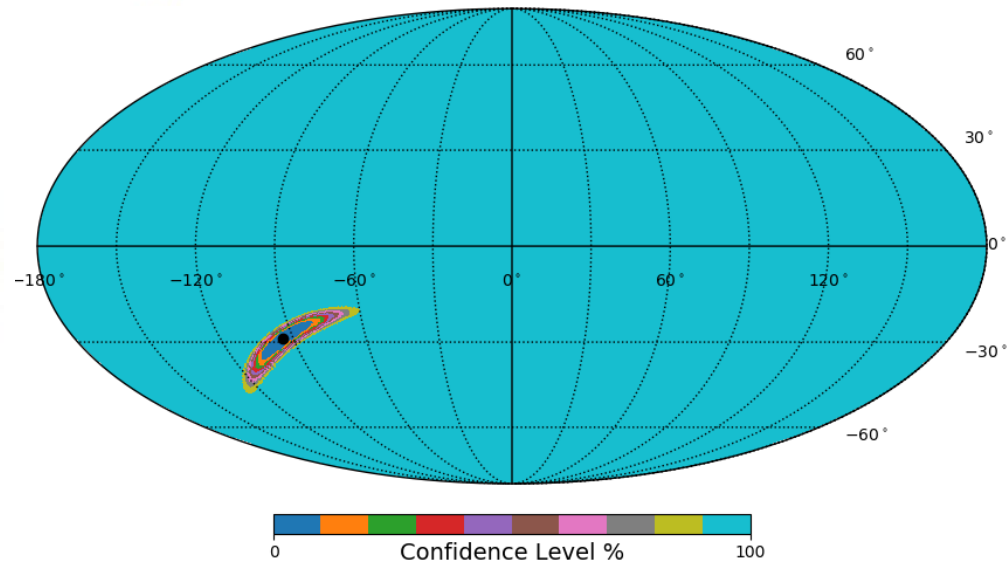
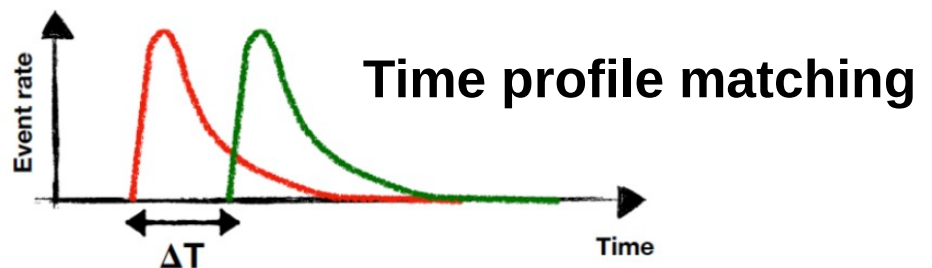
→ How to get these time delays?

First event times



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Linzer and Scholberg
PRD 100 (2019) 10

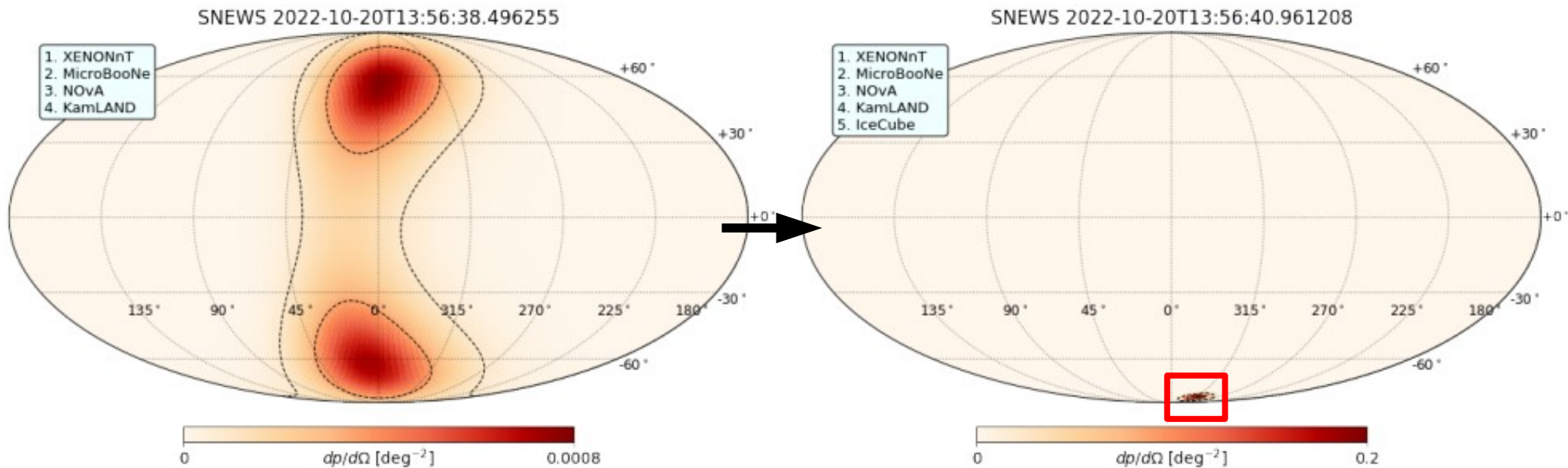


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Coleiro, Colomer et al
EPJ C80 (2020) 856

“Full featured”: Pointing

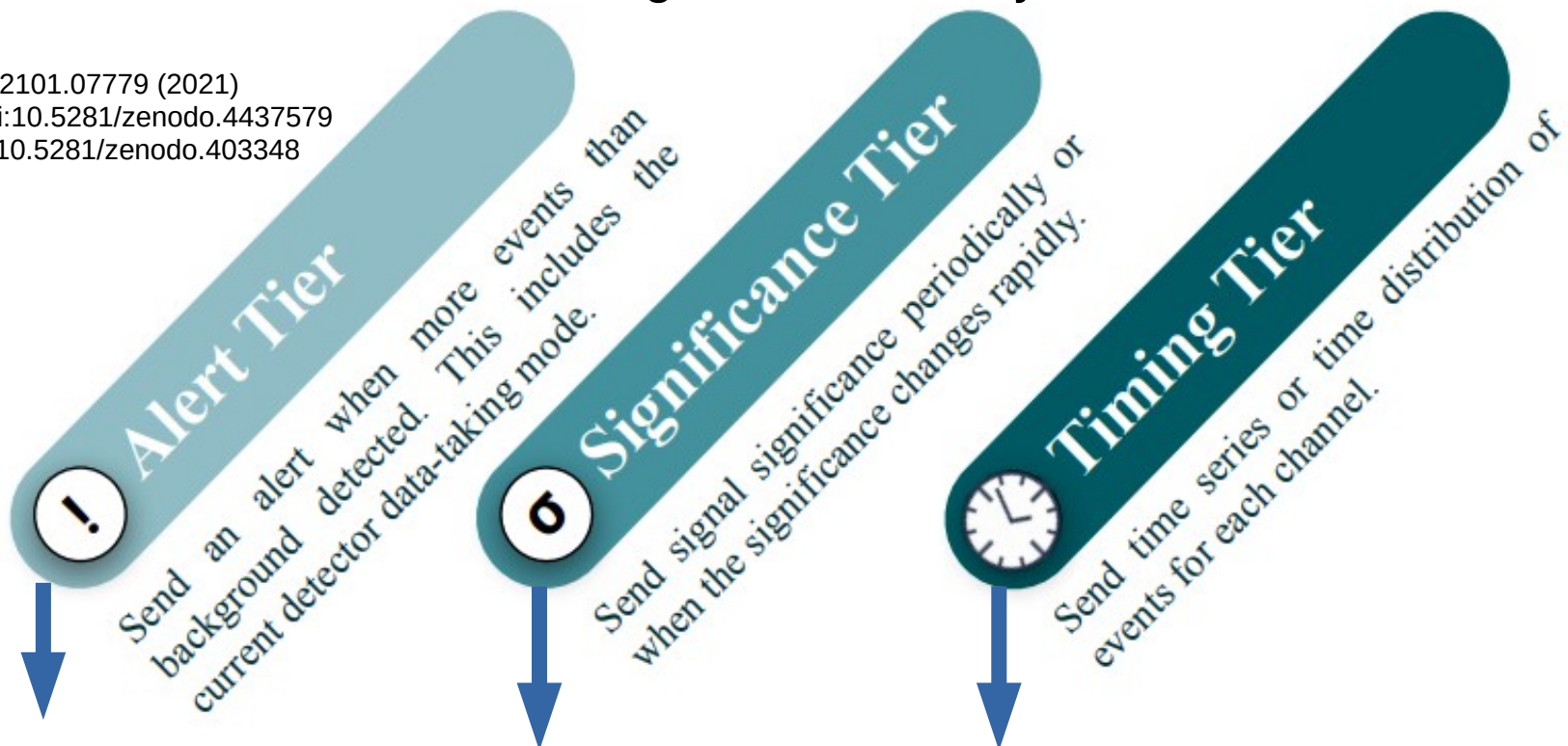
- First basic triangulation algorithm implemented in SNEWS
- Calculation and connection with the coincidence server has been tested in a distributed mock data challenge (fire drill):



SNEWS2.0: processing data

- Continuous data stream from detectors to SNEWS server → alert decision
- Infrastructure for message coordination and interfacing with clients
- Data exchange system relies on HOPSKOTCH, developed within SciMMA (Scalable Cyberinfrastructure for Multi-Messenger Astrophysics)
- Experiments can choose which degree of data they want to share and when

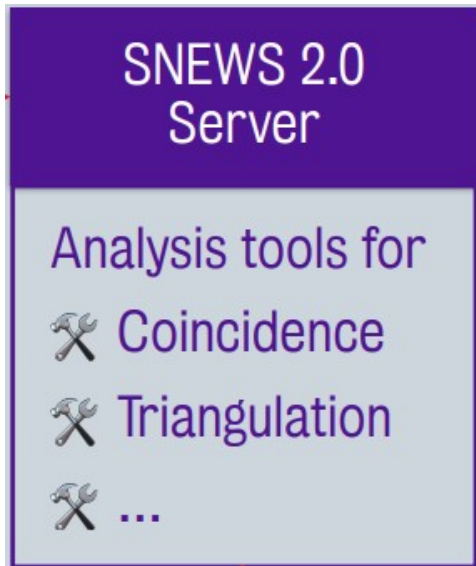
A.L Baxter+ arXiv:2101.07779 (2021)
SNEWS app → doi:10.5281/zenodo.4437579
Hopskotch → doi: 10.5281/zenodo.403348



Effectively SNEWS1.0

Experiments can share more data to enable new features

The SNEWS2.0 software



- Code publicly available in Github:
- SNEWS publishing tools
 - SNEWS coincidence system
 - snewpdag (for triangulation, etc)

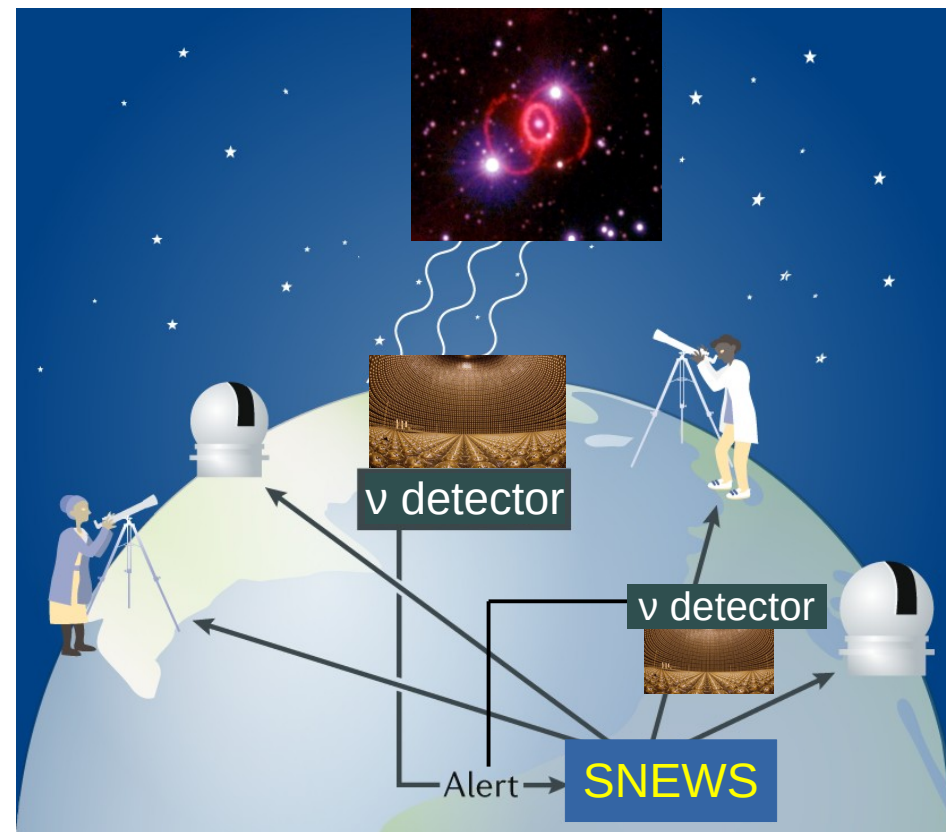
snepy offers:

- a simple and unified interface to hundreds of supernova simulations
- a large library of flavor transformations
- a fast (simplified) estimate of the expected event rate at different detectors

ApJ 925 (2022) 2, 107
JOSS 6 (2021) 03772

“Follow-up” in the multi-messenger era

- In 2000:
 - ATel & GCN started distributing alerts
 - Human-readable, unstructured, via email
 - Good strategy for SNEWS 1.0
- Today: $\sim 10^7$ alerts per day
 - Specialized brokers distribute/filter alerts
 - Large degree of automation
 - Robotic & fully automated telescopes



SNEWS can bring neutrino & astronomy communities together to prepare follow-up strategy → Ensure maximal science output

Who listens to SNEWS?

SNEWS meets the Astronomy Community

- GRANDMA (Global Rapid Advanced Network Devoted to the Multi-messenger Addicts) arXiv:2008.03962
 - Coordinates telescope observations of transient sources with large localization uncertainties



- AAVSO: Network of amateur astronomers (US)
 - often more flexible, large database, can send out alerts with observation requests to members

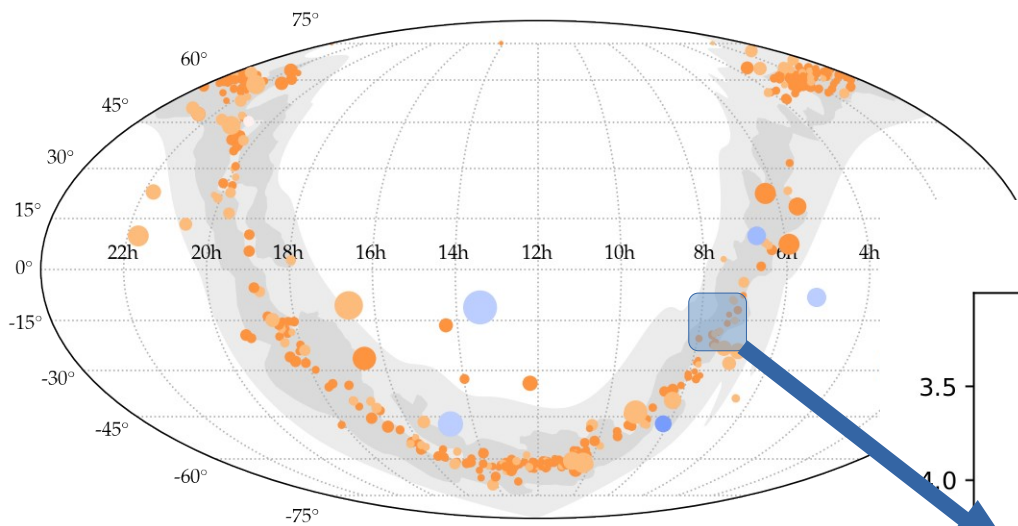
- REFITT (Recommender Engine for Intelligent Transient Tracking)
 - AI-based engine to plan & coordinate follow-up taking into account: available facilities, wavelengths, sensitivity, weather...



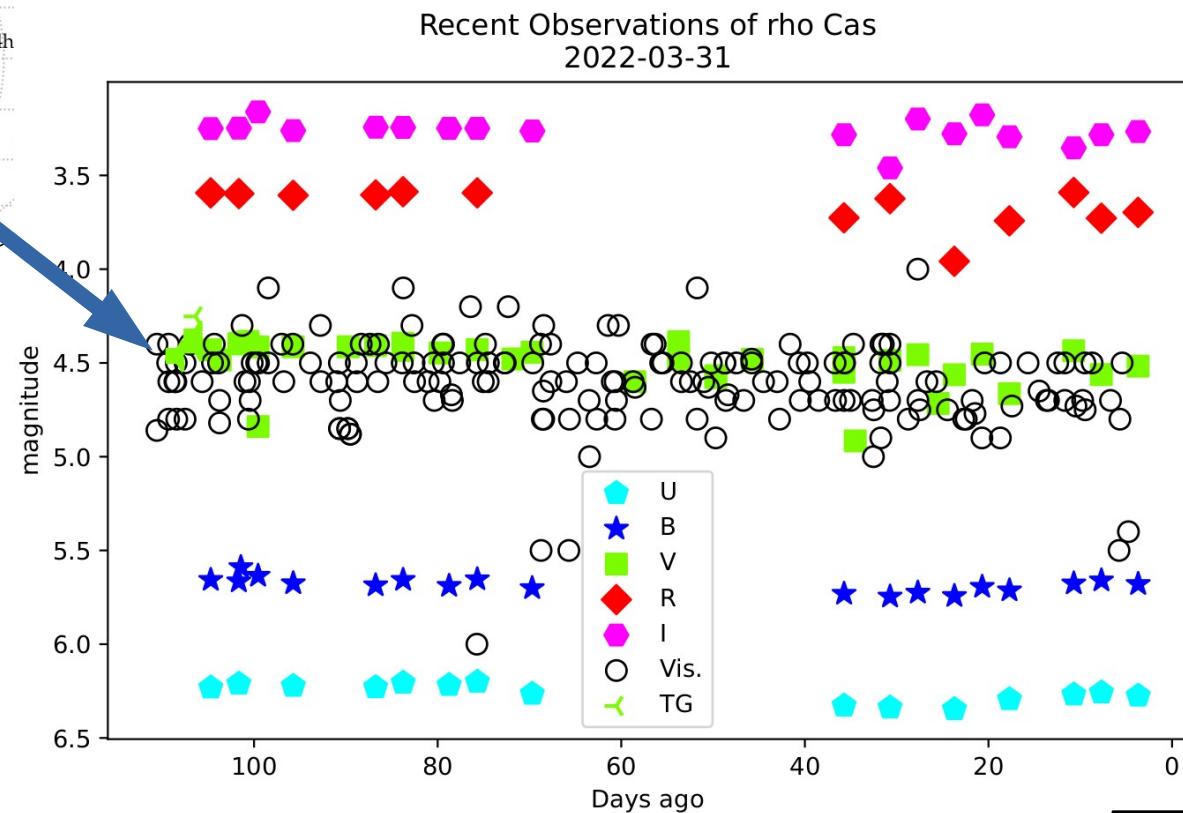
... and more

First “Follow-up” campaign

AAVSO started campaign to regularly observe Galactic CCSN candidate list



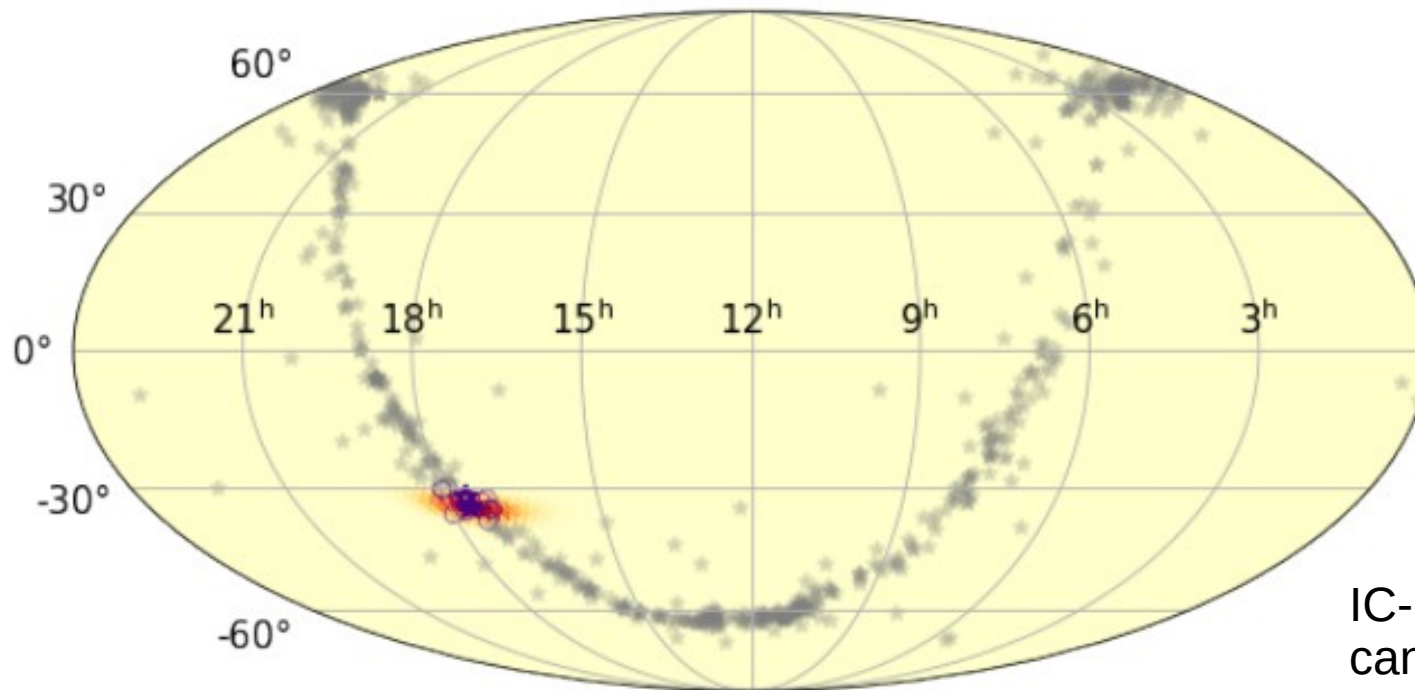
Example of one star monitored in different wavelengths:



What does a network bring?

Galactic SN candidate list based on EM observables (~600 stars)

- With neutrino network pointing: only 13 stars to follow-up
- With neutrino network distance: just 2 stars left to observe



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candidate ★ @4kpc

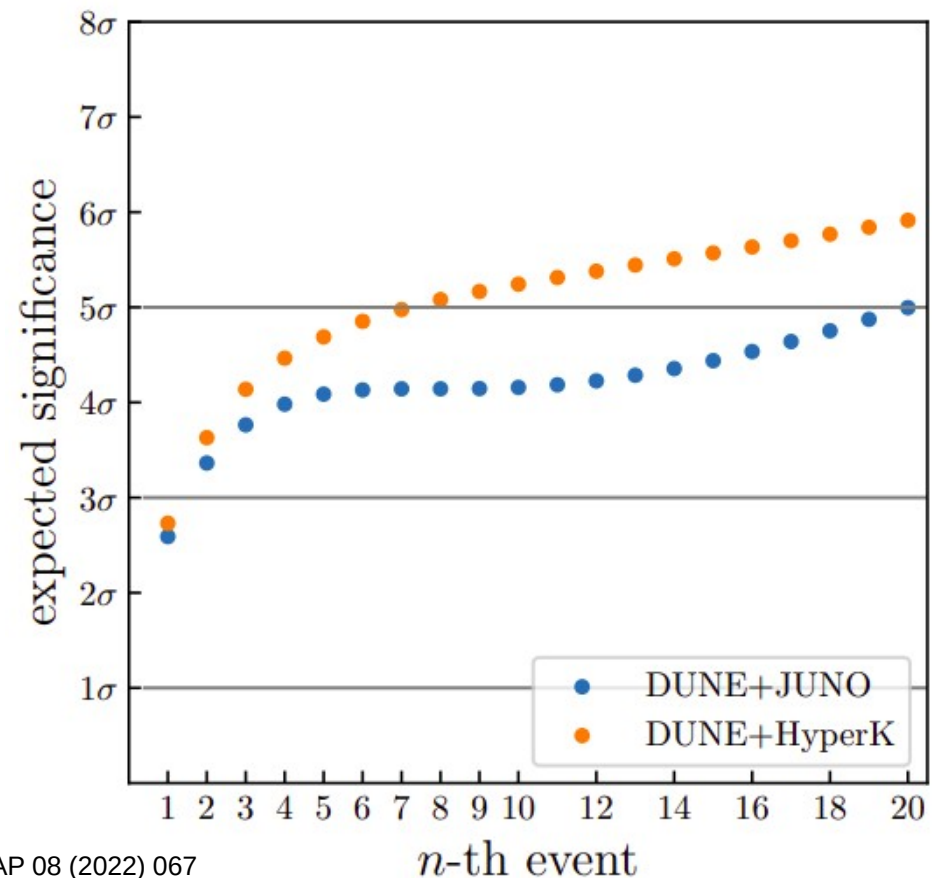
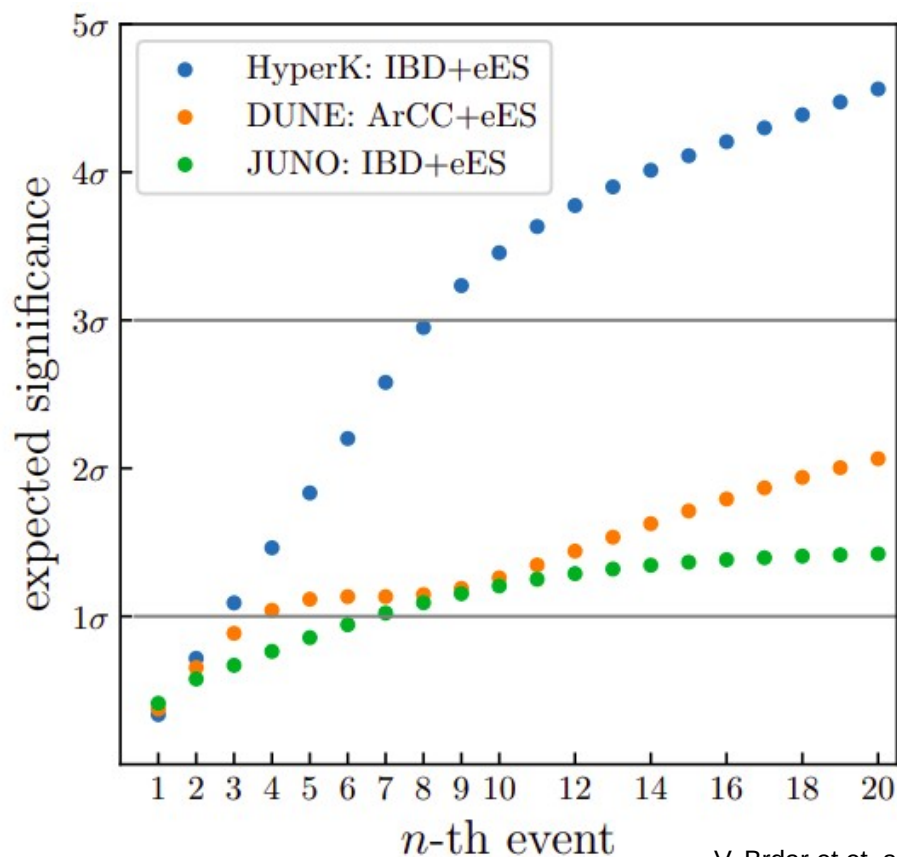
Healy, Colomer et al.
ArXiv:2307.08785 (2023)



What does a network bring?

More detectors = more interaction channels = all neutrino flavors
→ More neutrino physics with CCSN data

Example: determination of the neutrino mass ordering with CCSN neutrinos



V. Brdar et al., JCAP 08 (2022) 067

Summary

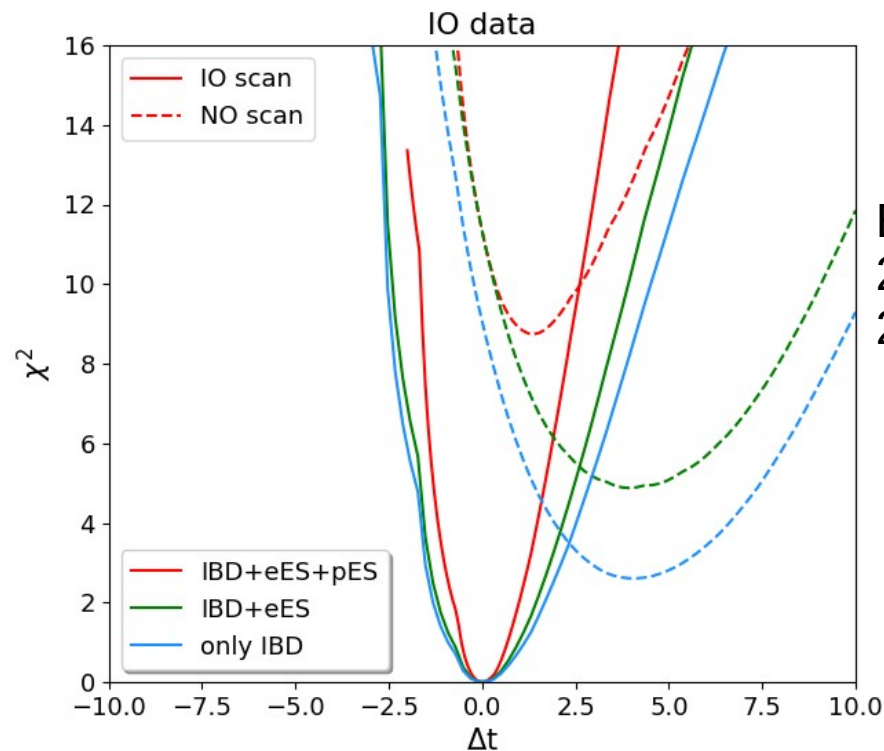
- A core-collapse will produce neutrinos with GWs, and before EM radiation
→ Early warning to identify the multi-messenger signals
- SNEWS2.0 will have a larger network of neutrino detectors, with more than 15 experiments simultaneously taking data
- With SNEWS2.0, the scientific reach of the observations will be maximized
- SNEWS2.0 will help coordinating the efforts for a global multi-messenger follow-up of the next CCSN explosion
- First fire drills have taken place and we learned a lot from them

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Best example: combine charged and neutral current (NC) interactions

(NC interactions insensitive to neutrino flavor transformations
→ enhanced sensitivity to neutrino oscillation scenarios)



Example:
20kton scintillator detector, 10 kpc
200 keV Eth for NC (pES)