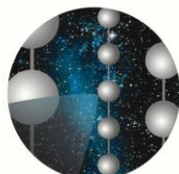


# High Energy **tau** neutrino detections with IceCube

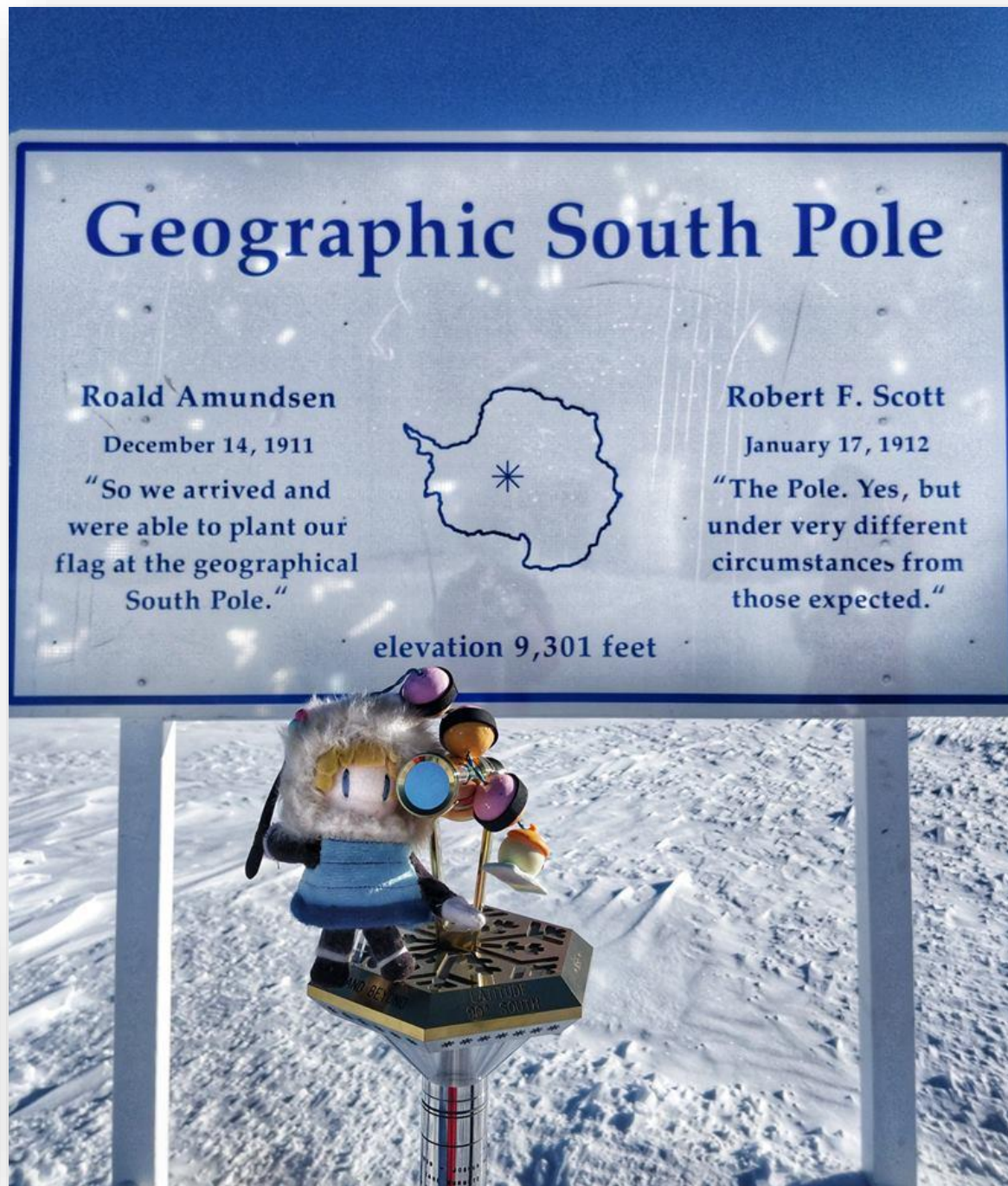
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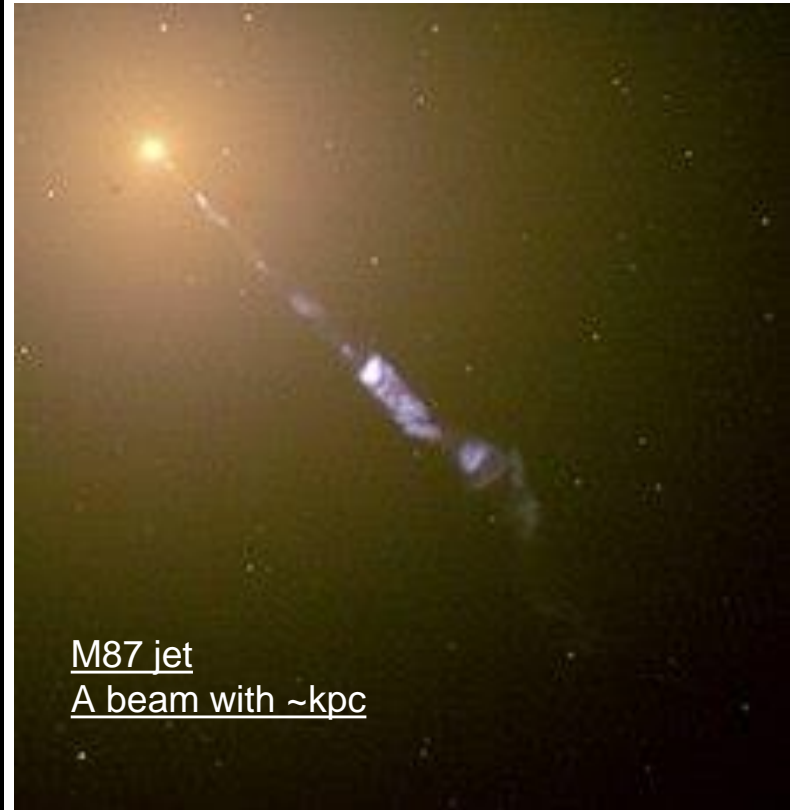
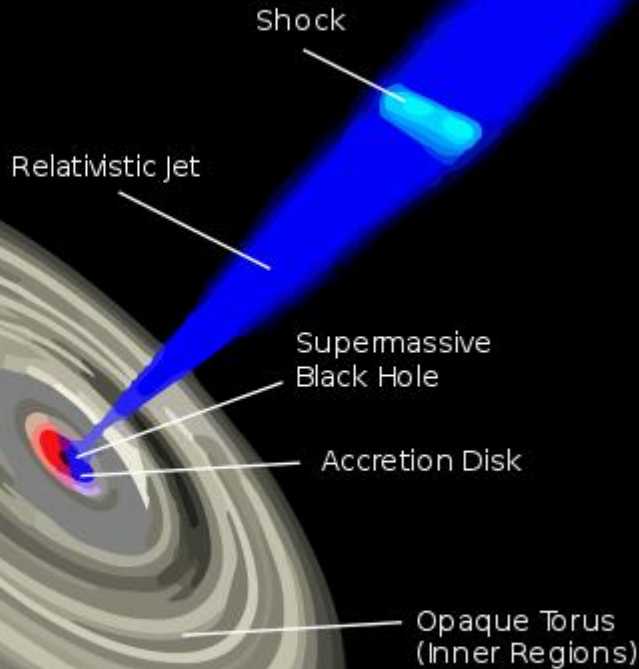


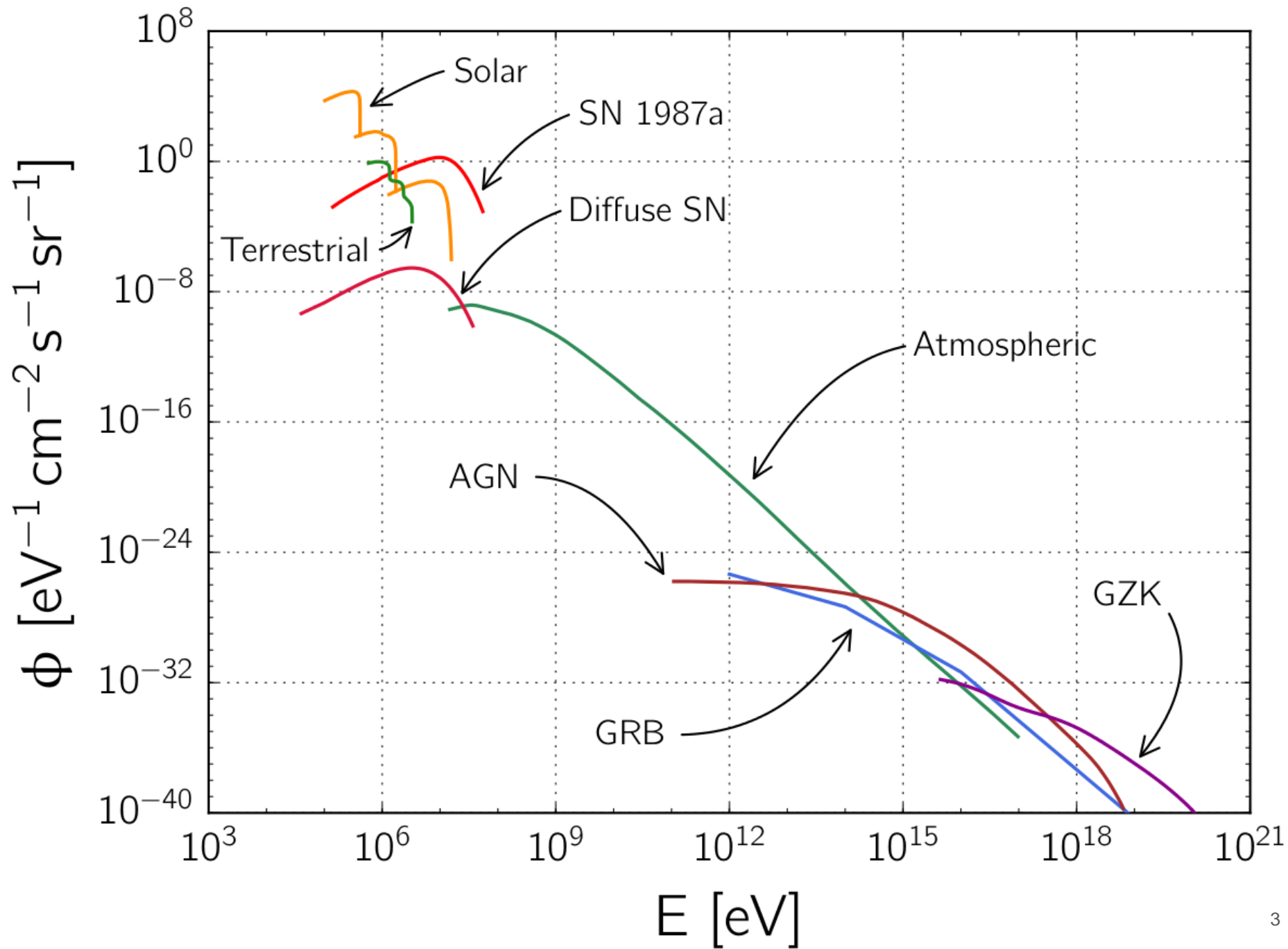
# Extreme-High Energy accelerators from Nature

AGN, blazar, GRB, FRB, Hypernova, galaxy clusters...

Inner Structure of an Active Galaxy

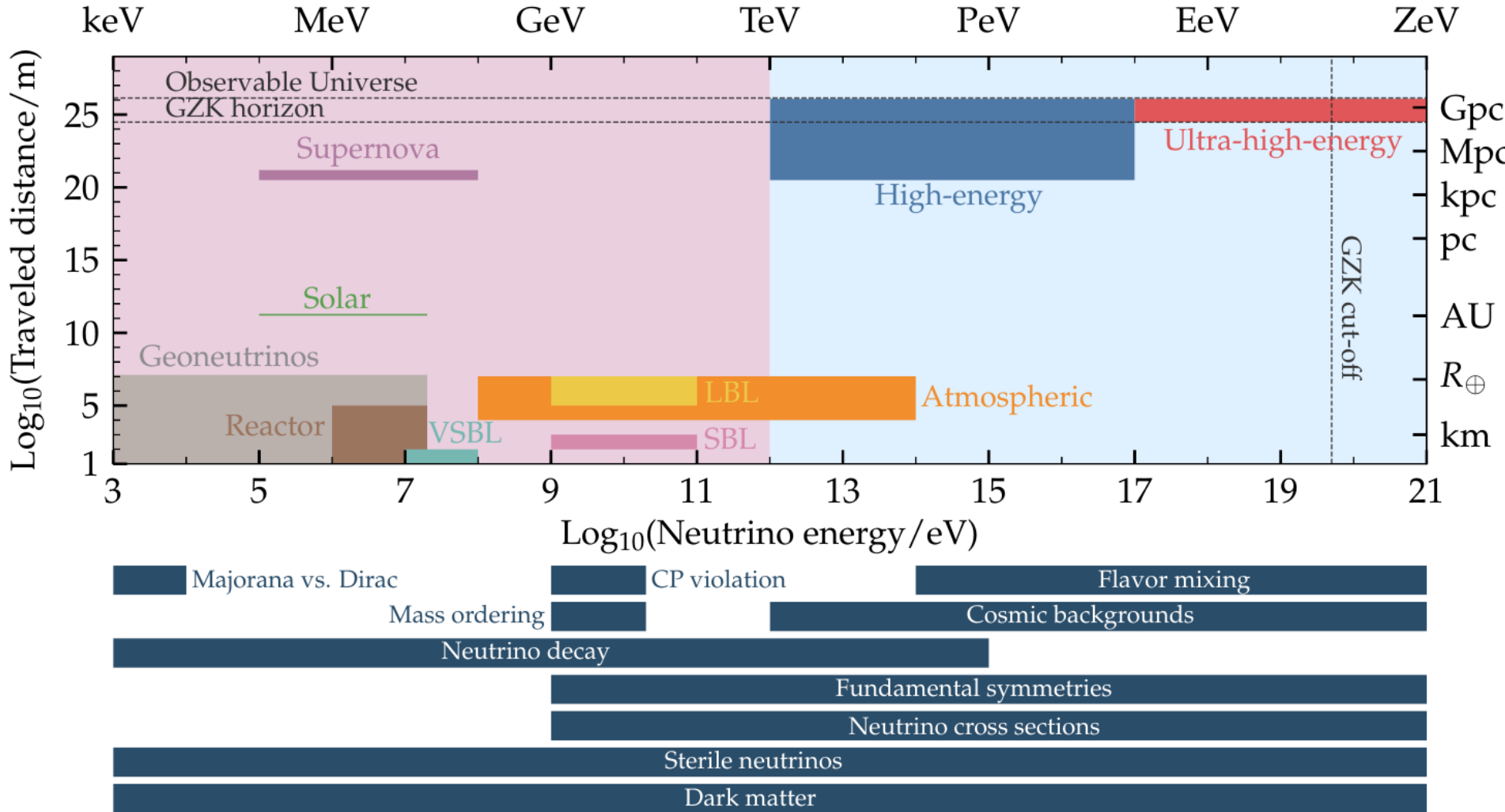
0.1 lightyears

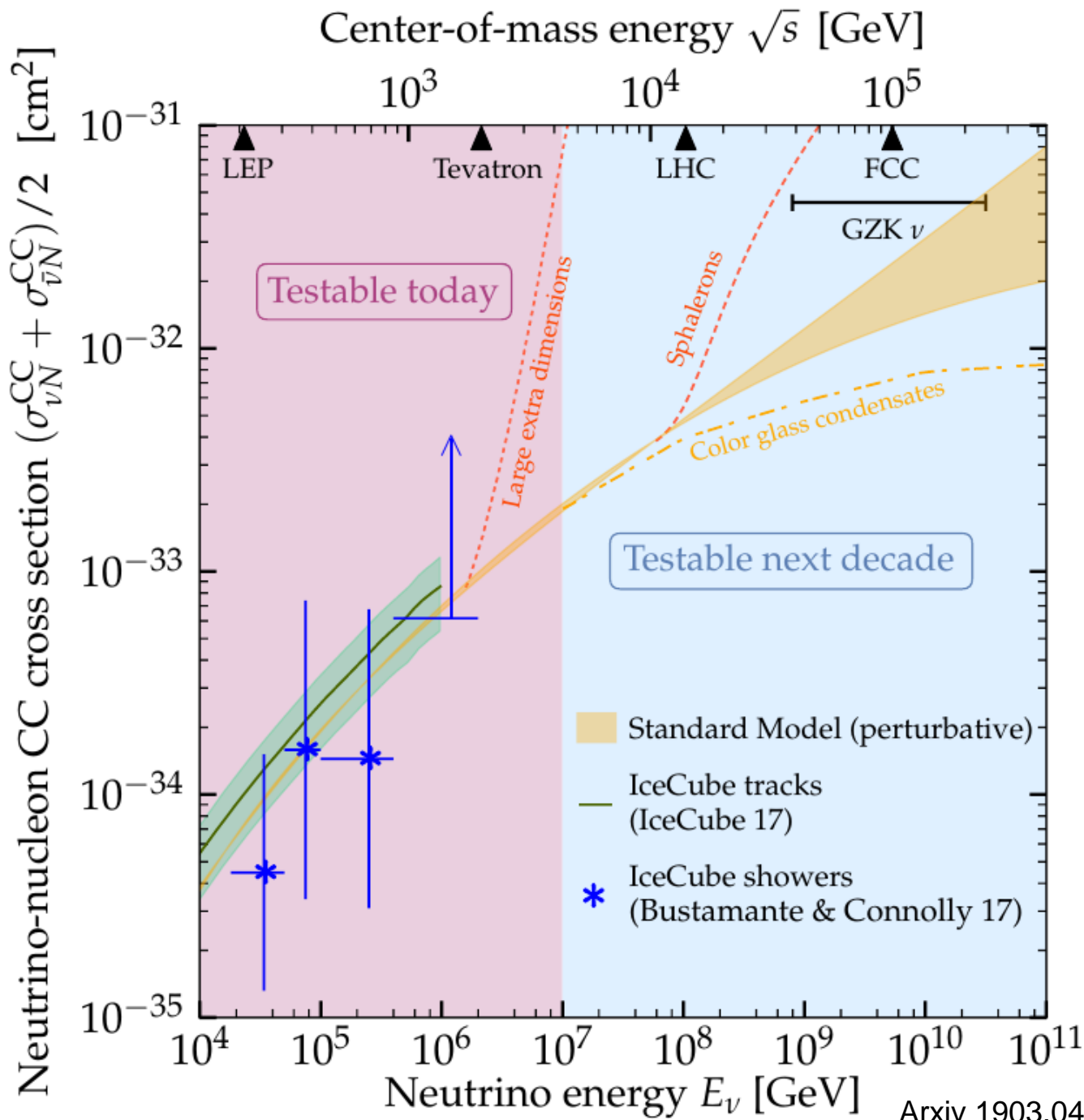




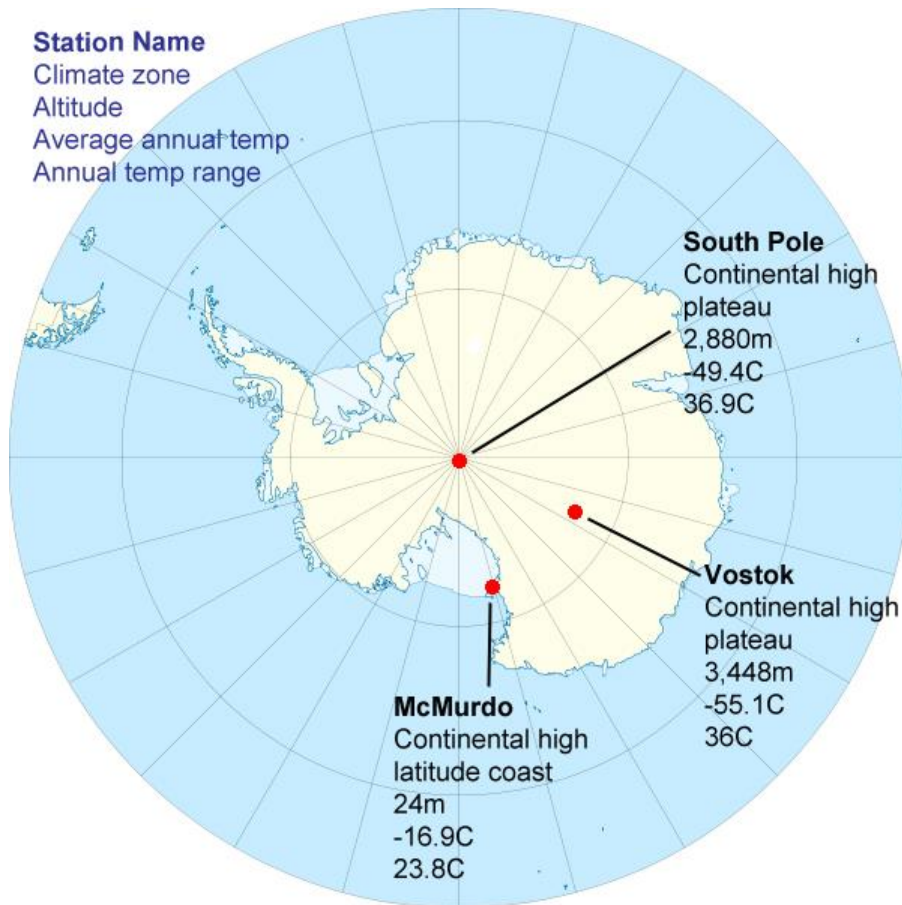
# 「ニュートリノで拓く素粒子と宇宙」

High energy neutrinos:  
cosmological baselines





# Trip to the bottom of the world



## South Pole Station Weather

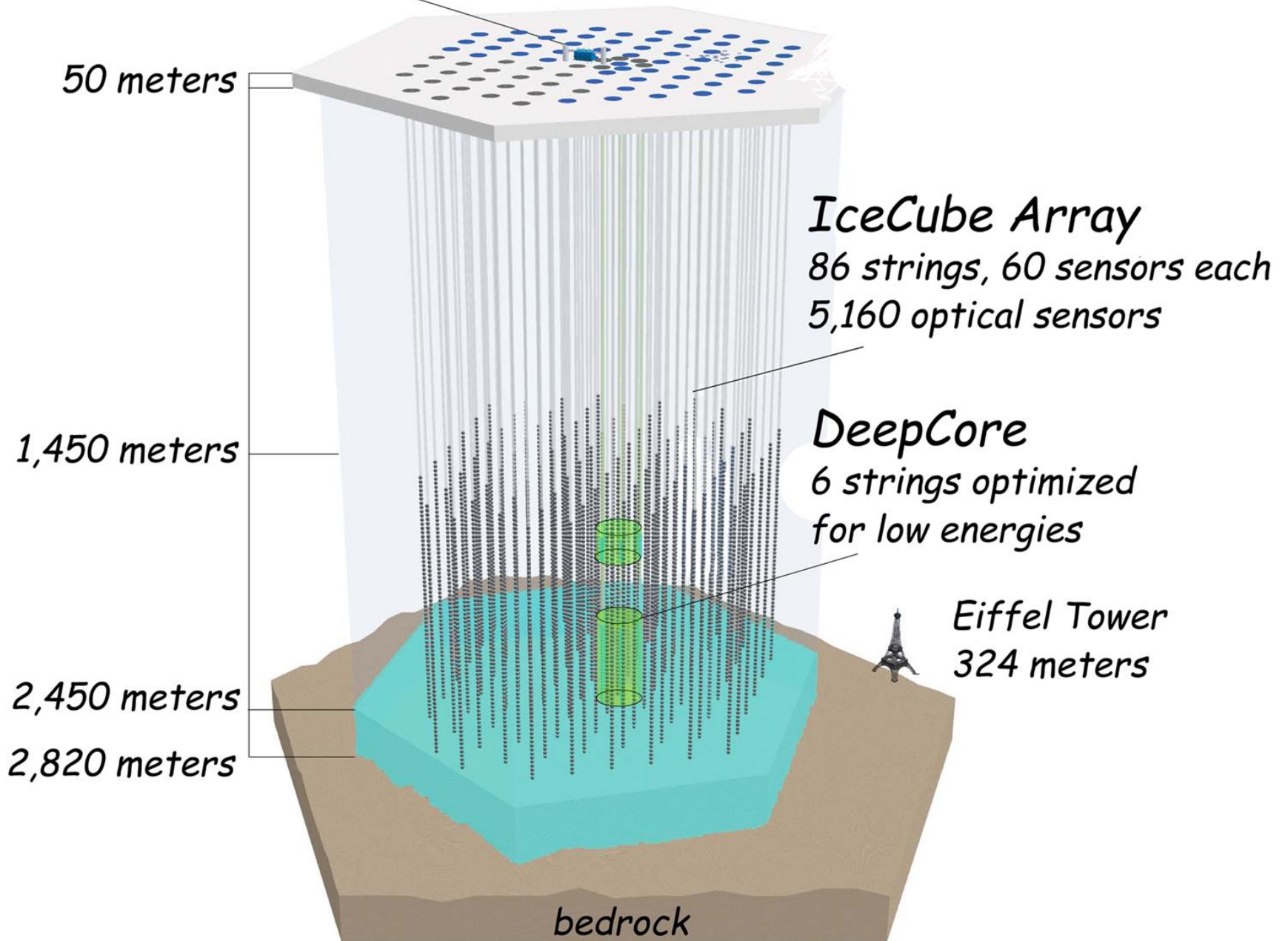
May 4, 2019 8:10 PM UTC

<b>Temperature</b>	-52° C	-62° F
<b>Wind Chill</b>	-74° C	-102° F
<b>Wind Speed</b>	17 knots	
<b>Air Pressure</b>	689 millibars	

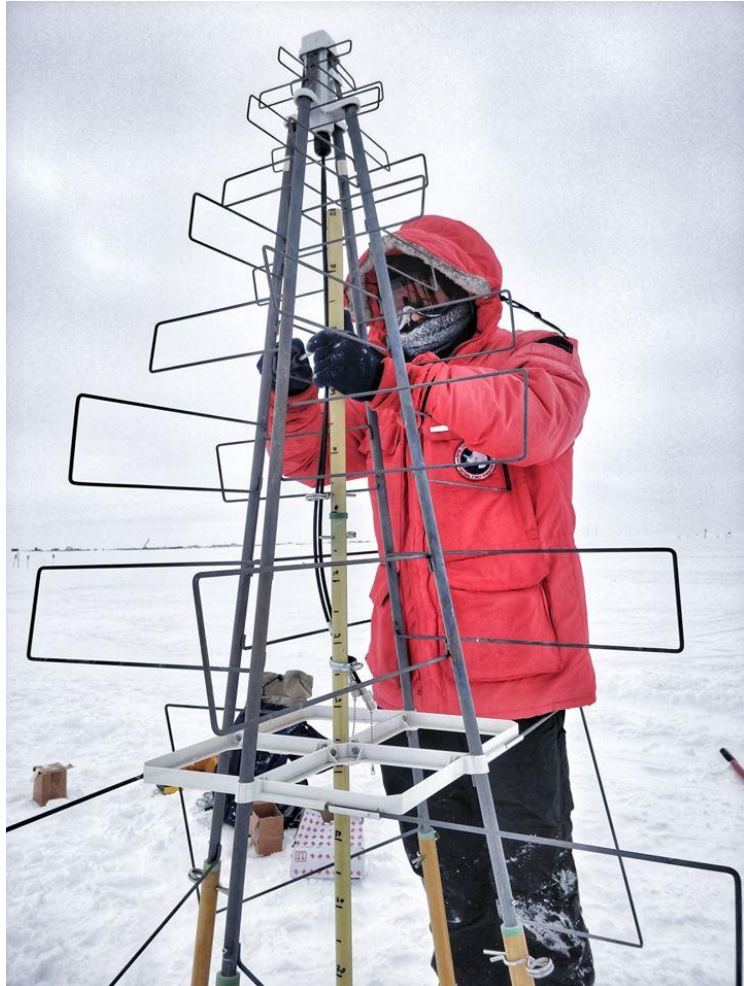
Equivalent more than 3000 m

南極点  
90 degree South

# IceCube Lab



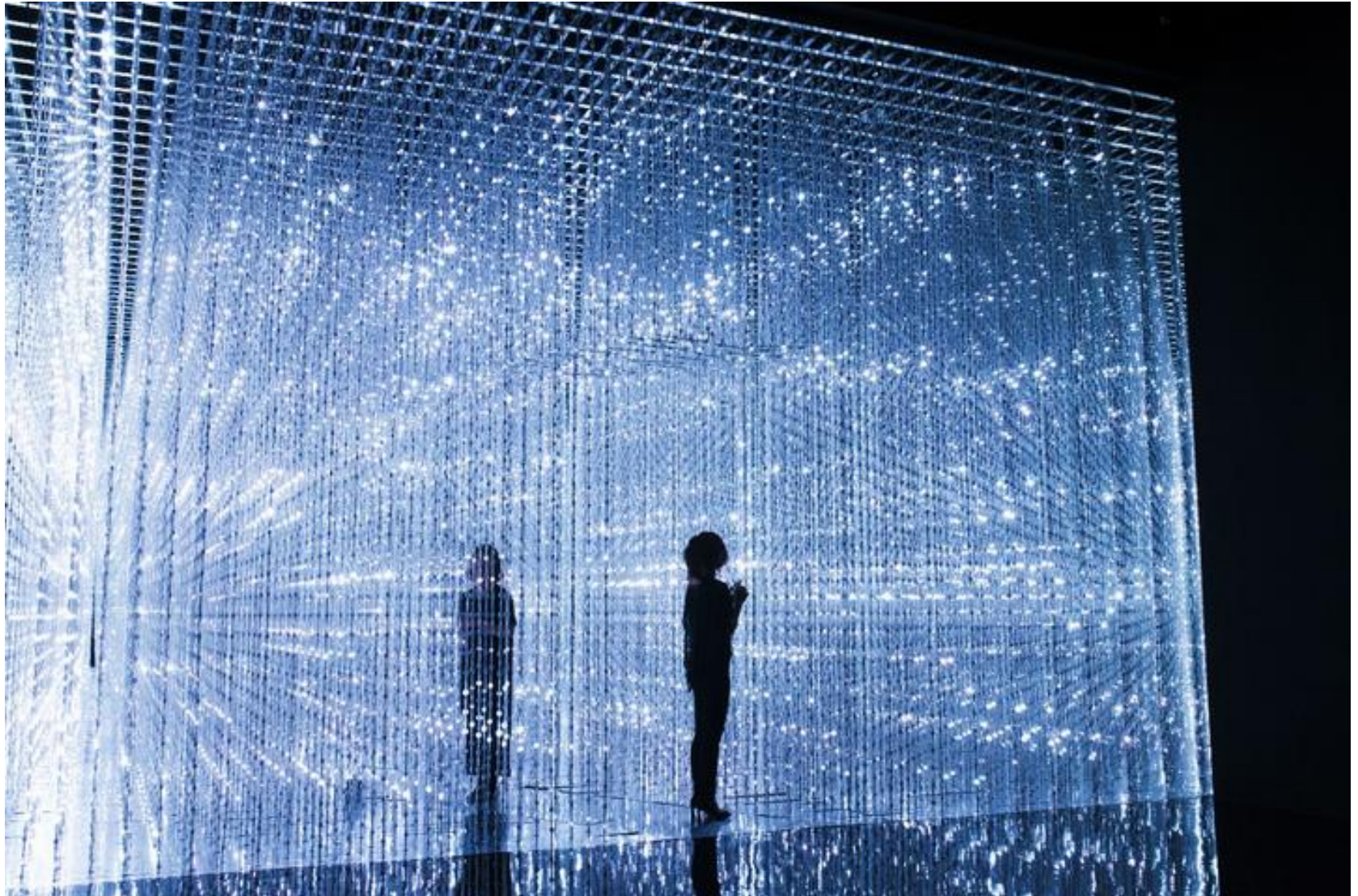
# Show some pictures of southpole





# A smaller version of 'IceCube' in Tokyo...

<https://www.teamlab.art/w/crystaluniverse>



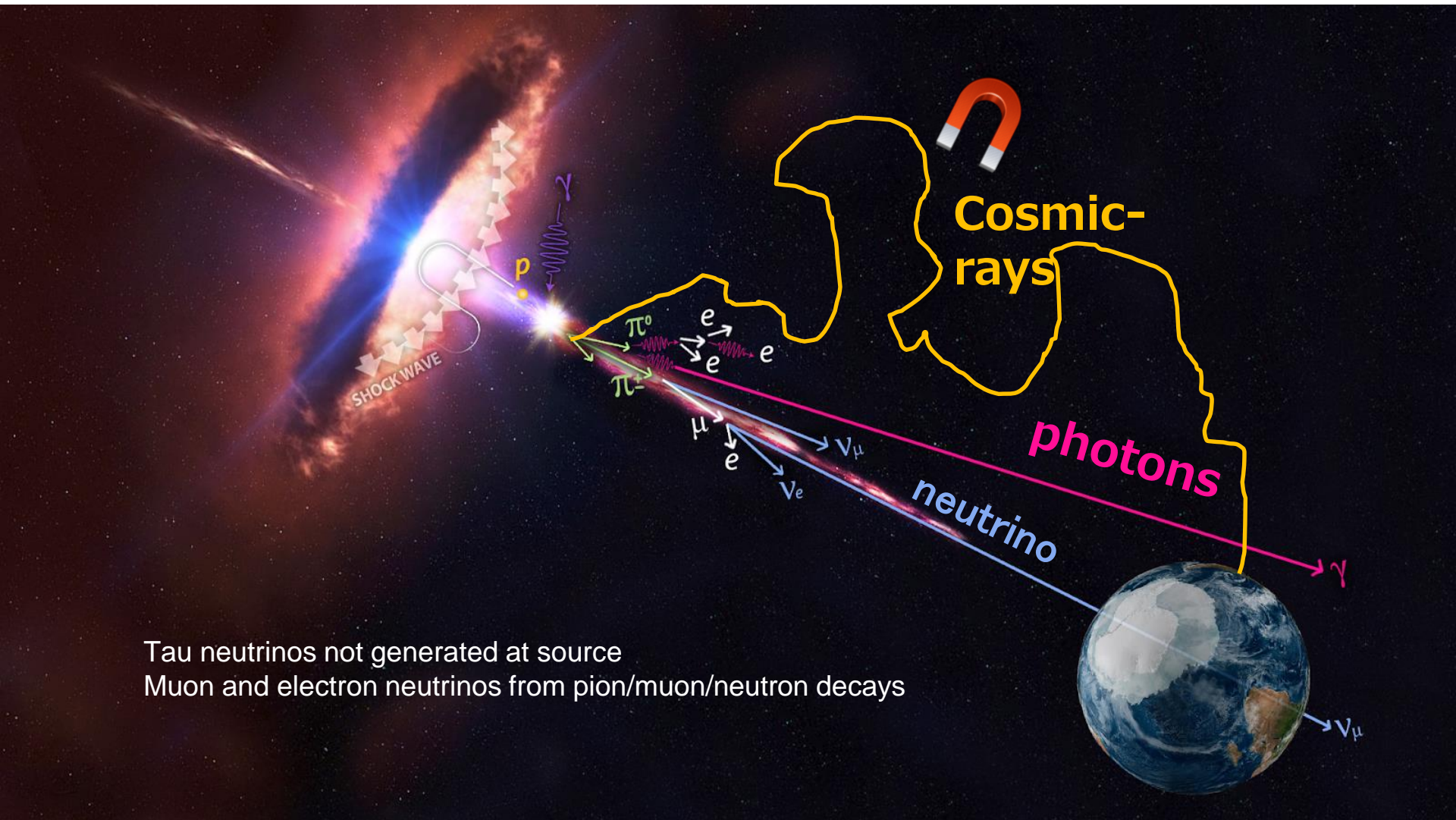
# Discoveries by IceCube

- **Astrophysical neutrinos  $>200$  TeV**
  - **Cross-section measurement at nu energy beyond accelerators**
- **First possible nu source TXS0506+056 (blazar)**
- **First Glashow resonance detection**
  - **First tau neutrino candidate [this talk]**

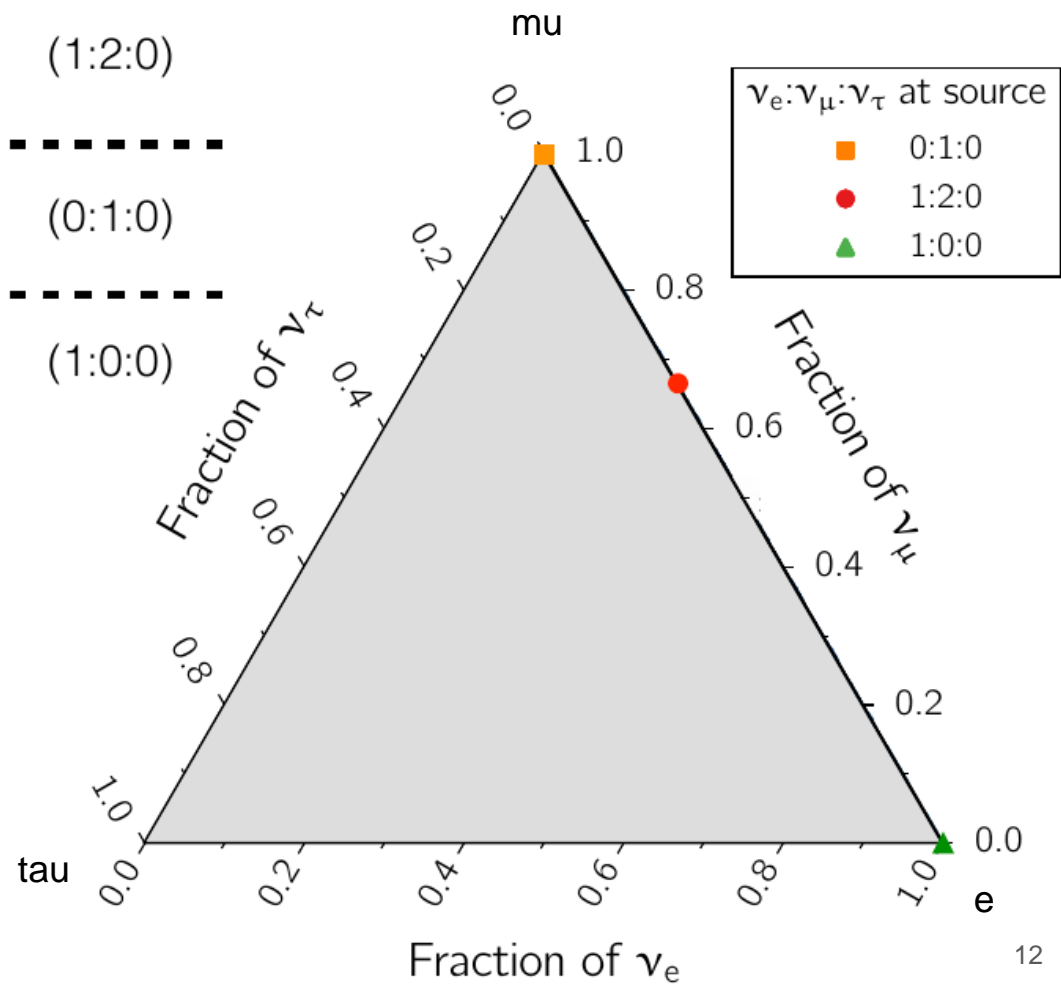
## Future

- Where are most of neutrinos from? (diffuse source)
- Related to UHECR sources? Acceleration mechanism?
- Cosmogenic neutrinos?
- Galactic neutrinos?
- Charm from atmospheric nu?
- ...

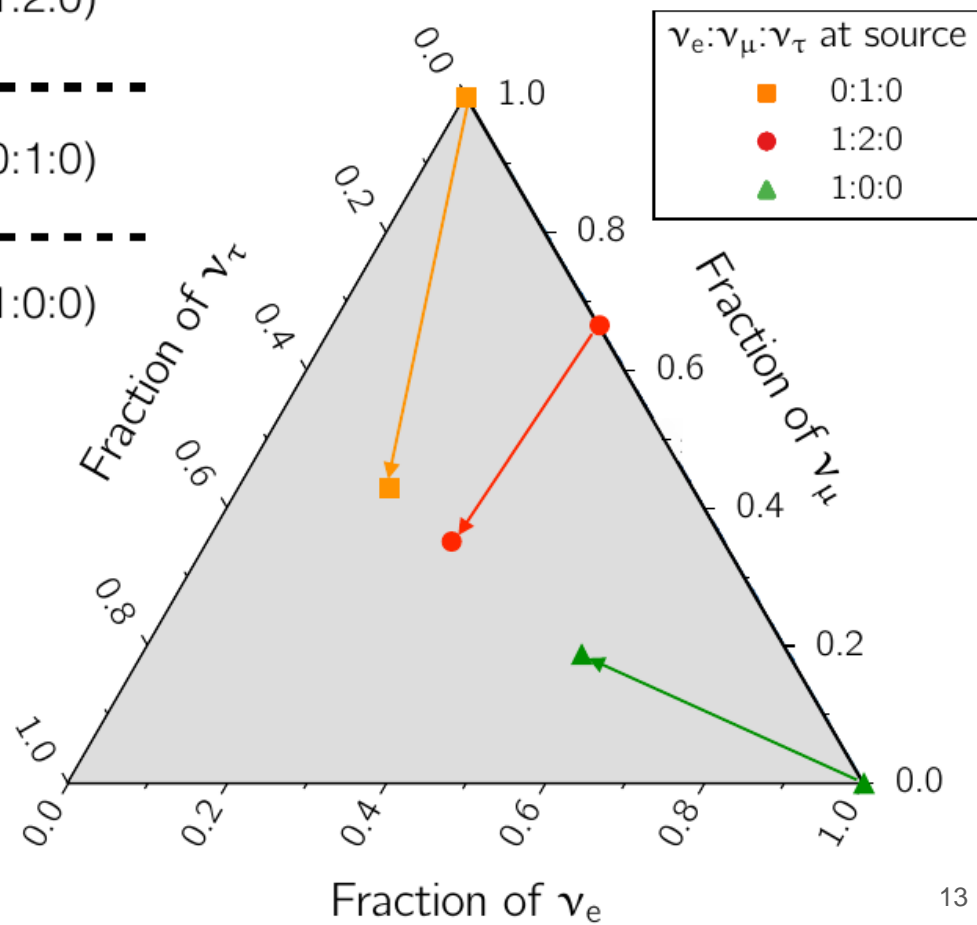
# Neutrinos as ideal cosmic messenger



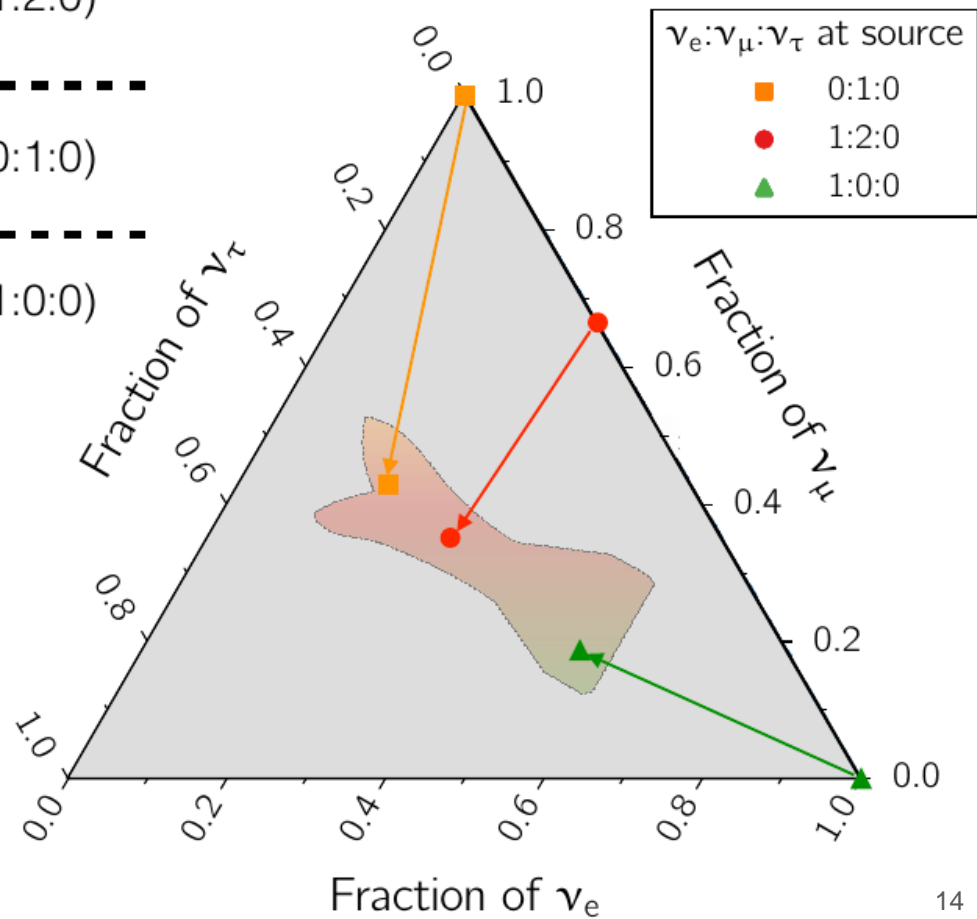
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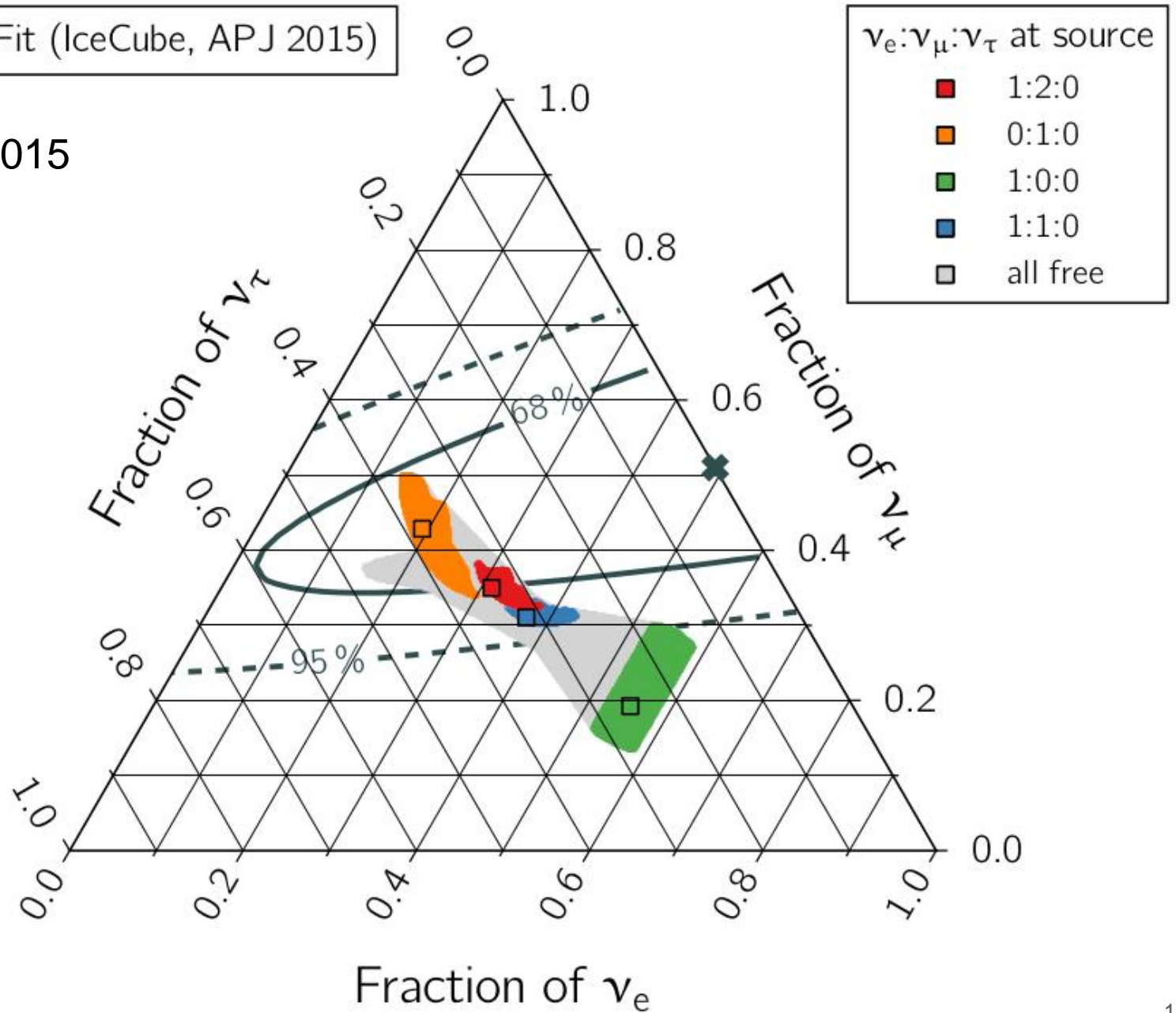


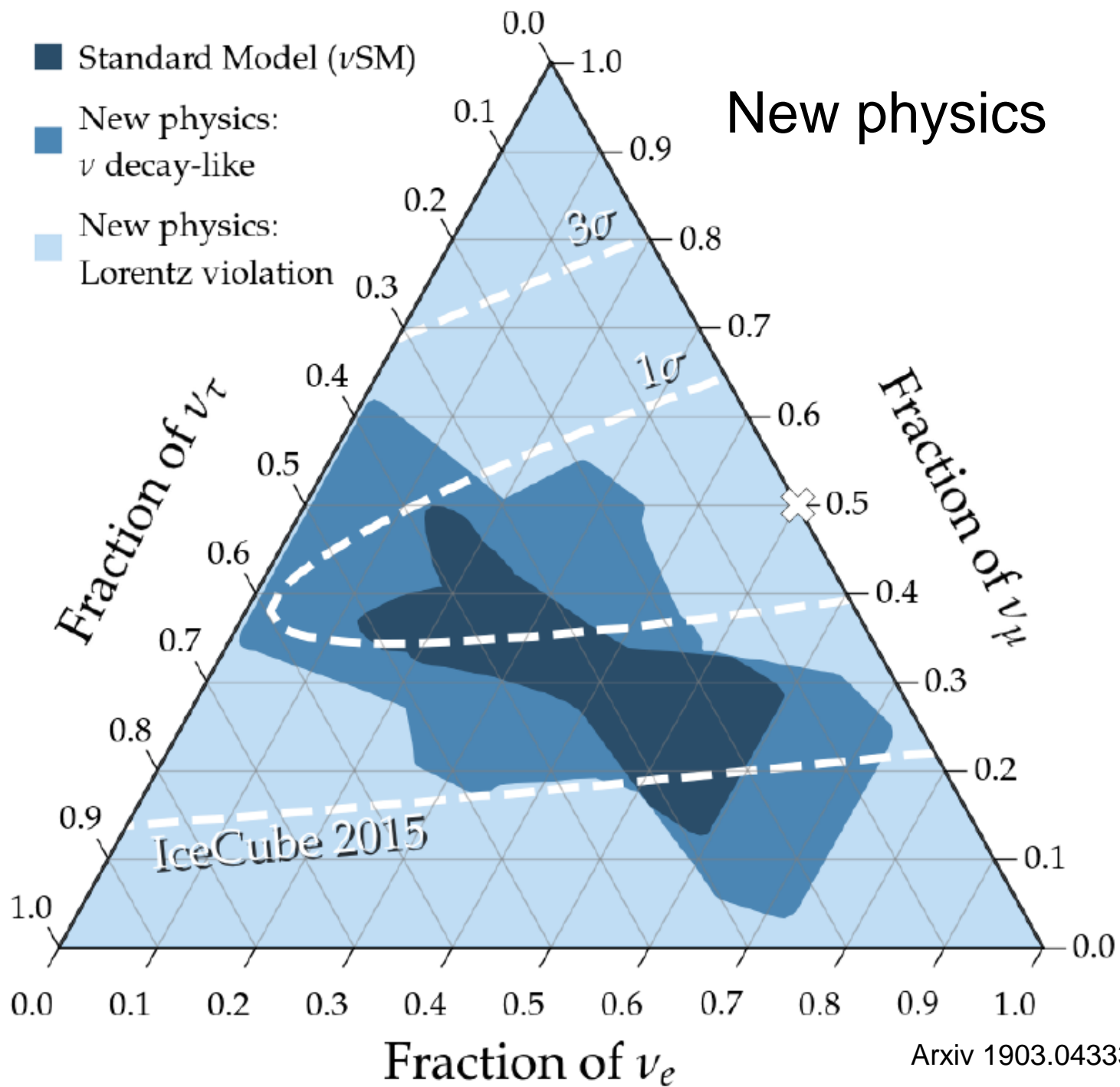
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— Global Fit (IceCube, APJ 2015)

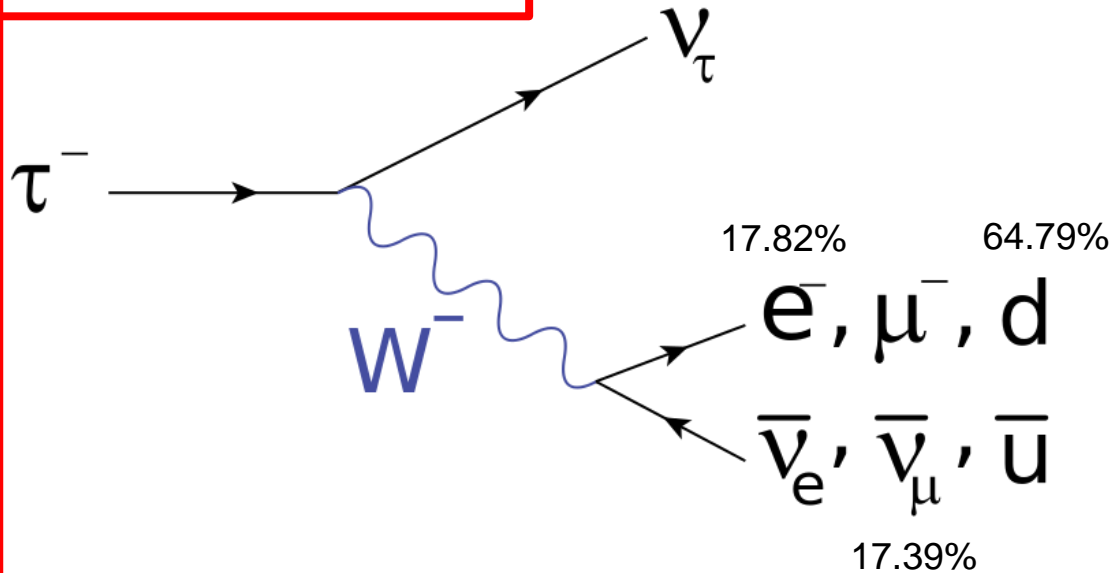
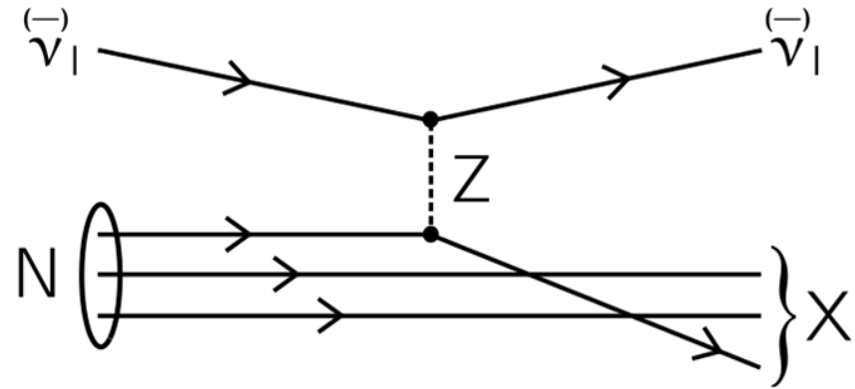
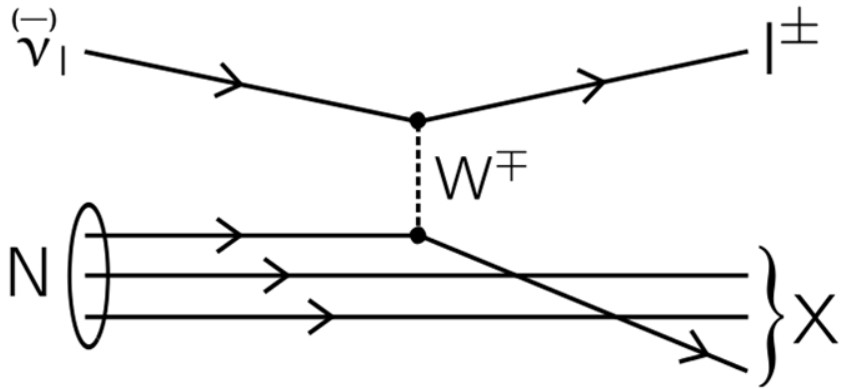
Result till 2015

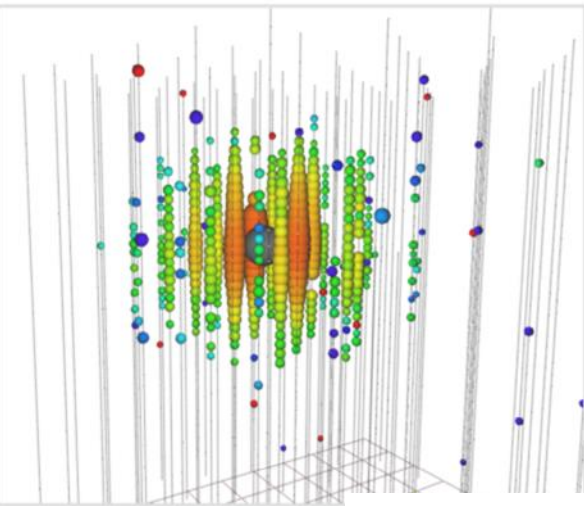




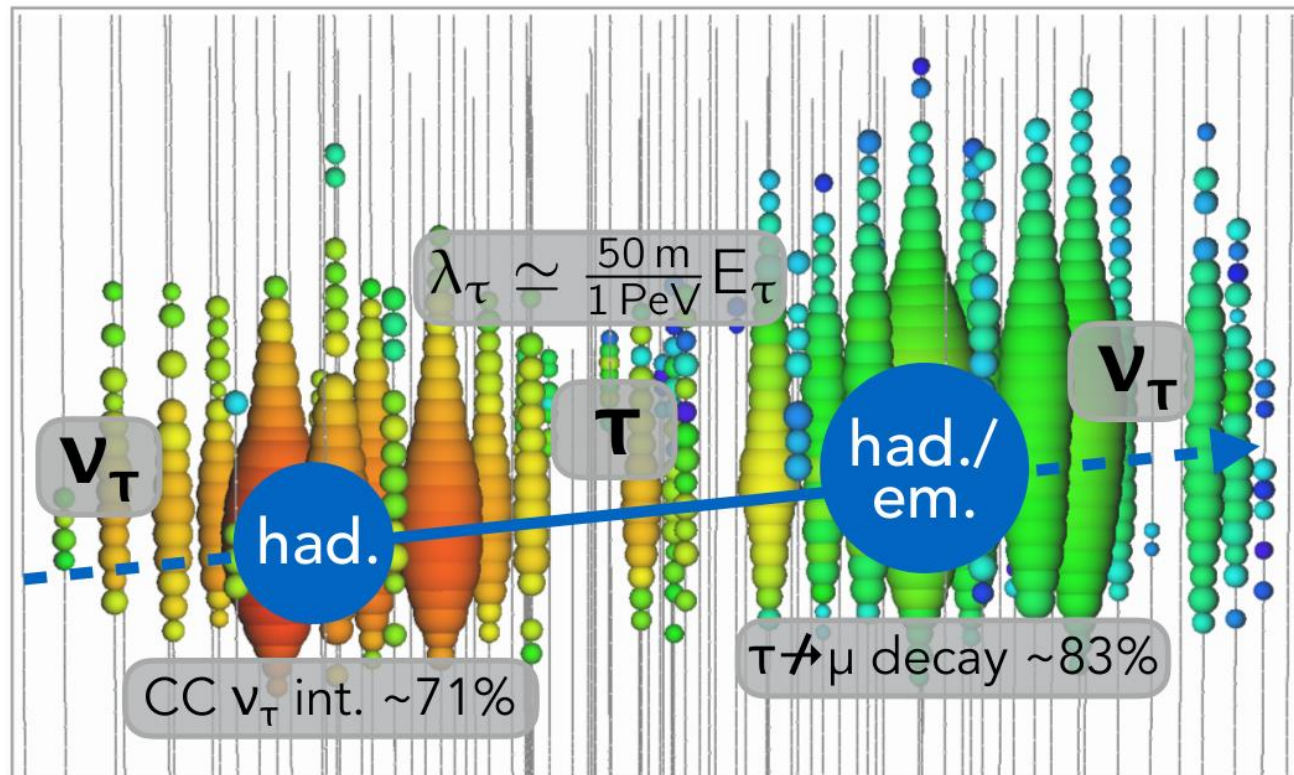
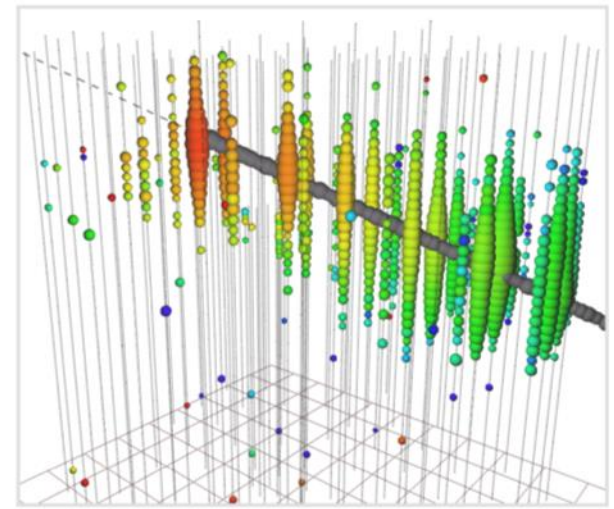


# Tau signature

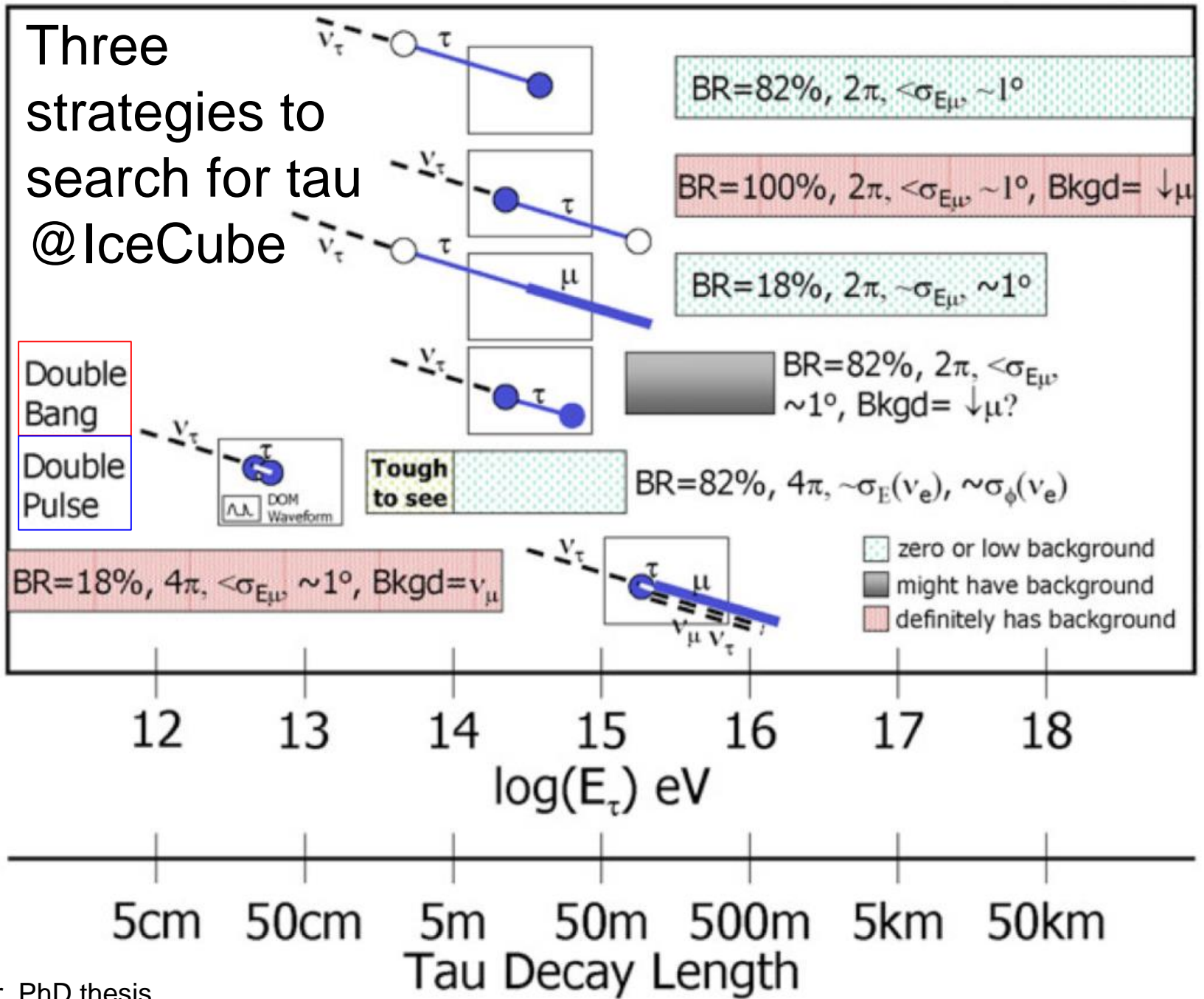




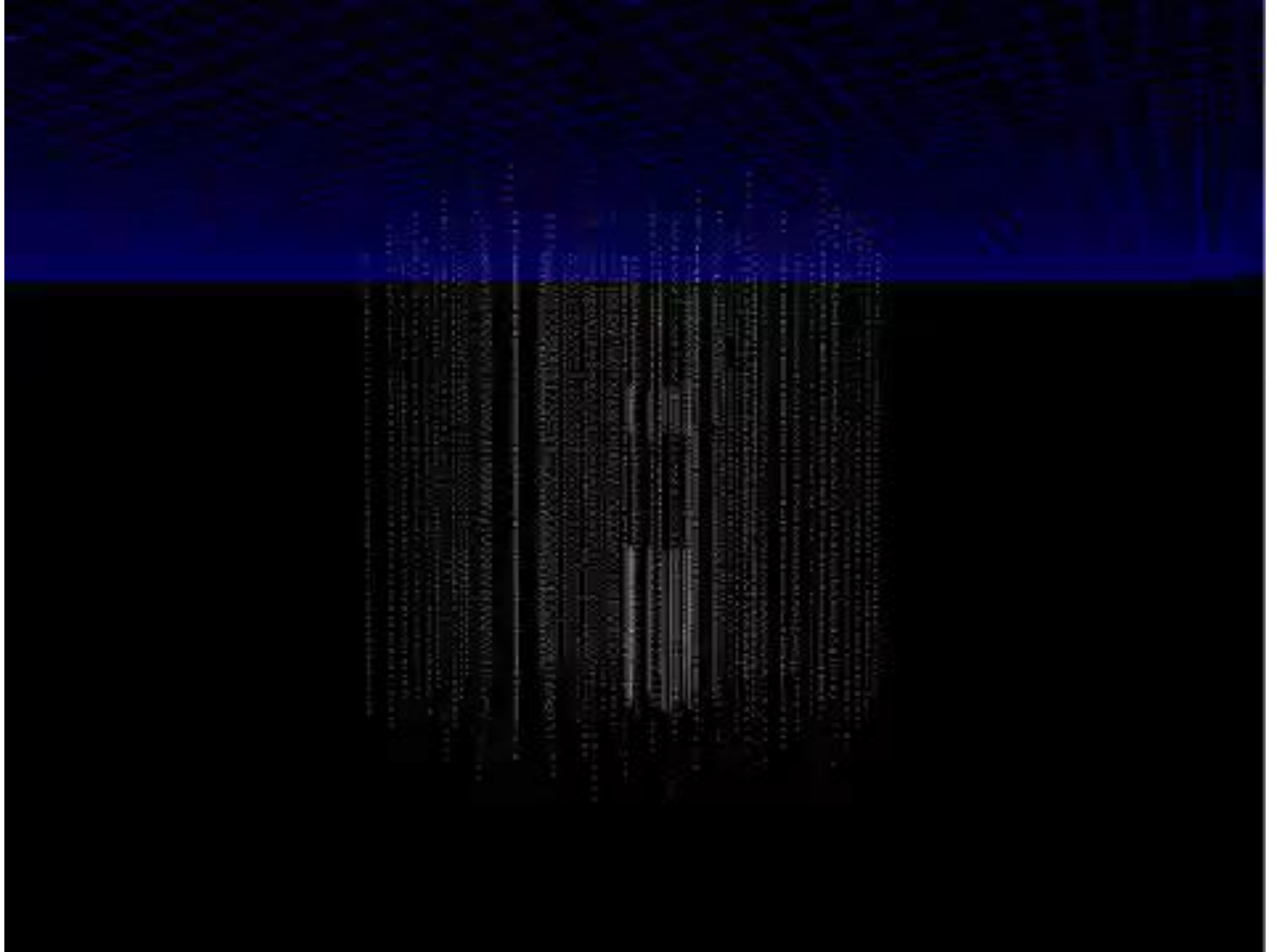
Cascade and track channel already detects tau but not event-by-event. Need tau feature to fit tau norm

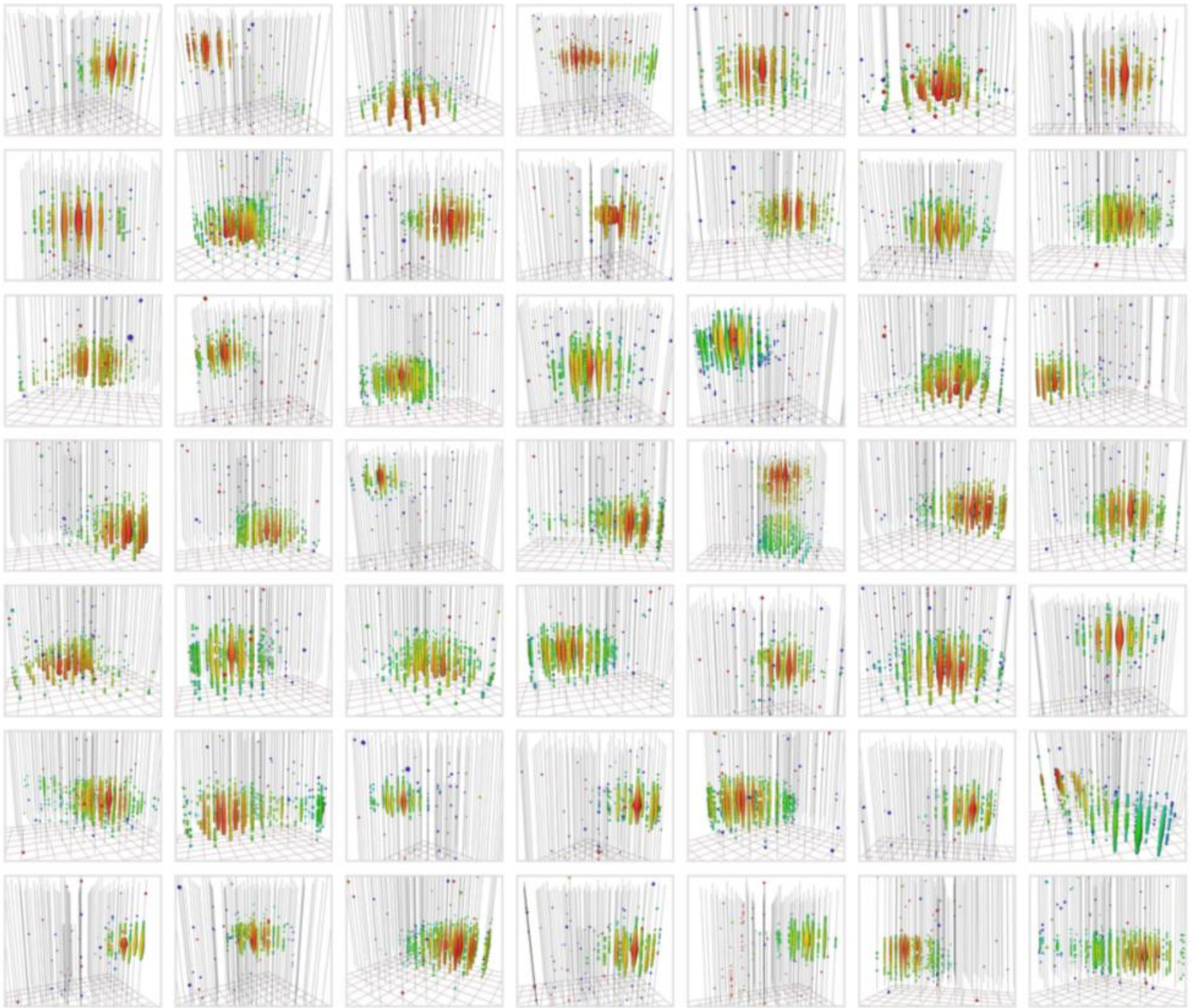


# Three strategies to search for tau @ IceCube



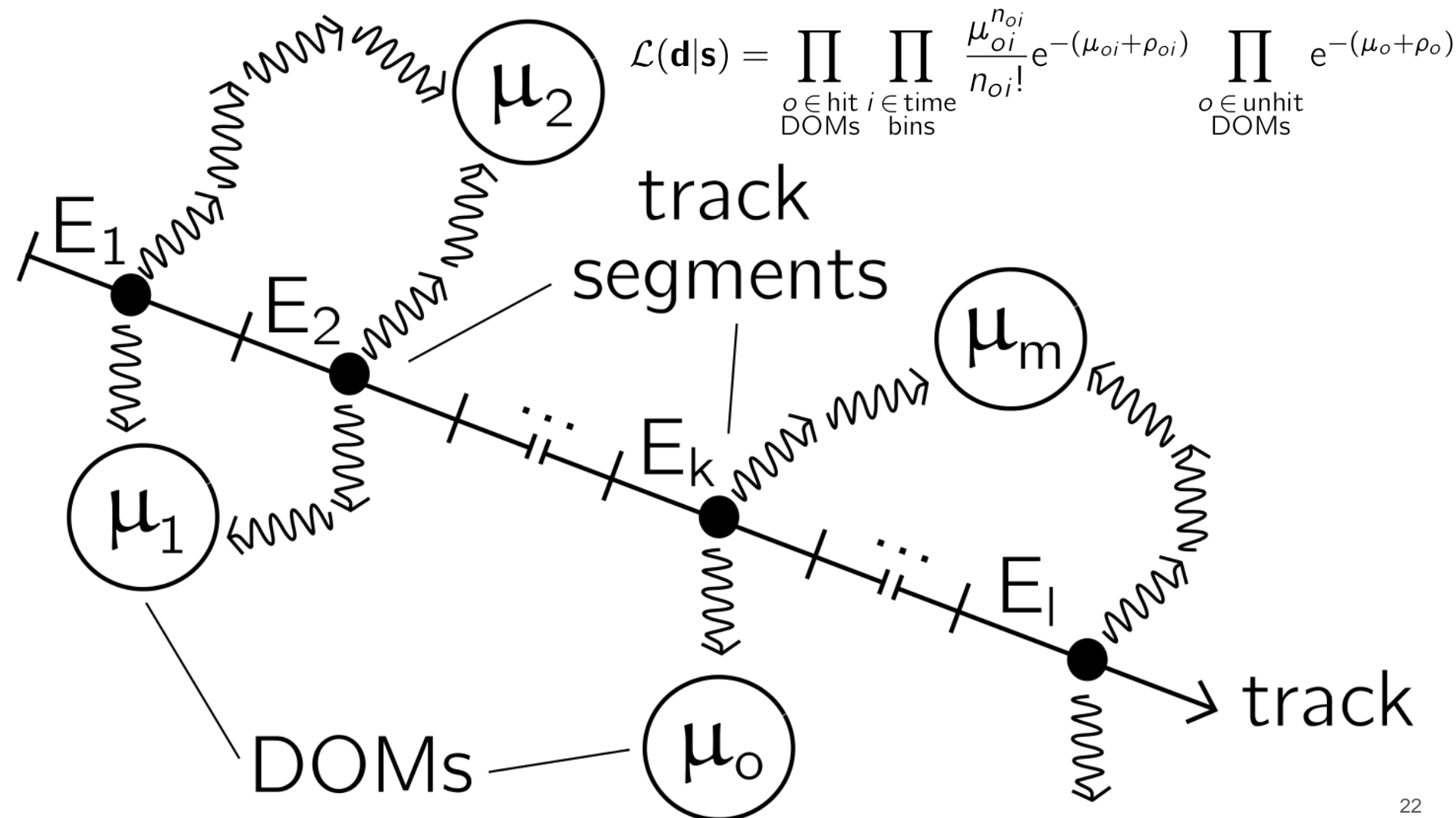
10 milliseconds data taking.  $\sim 3000$  Hz, 1 TB data per day  
10% satellite transferred





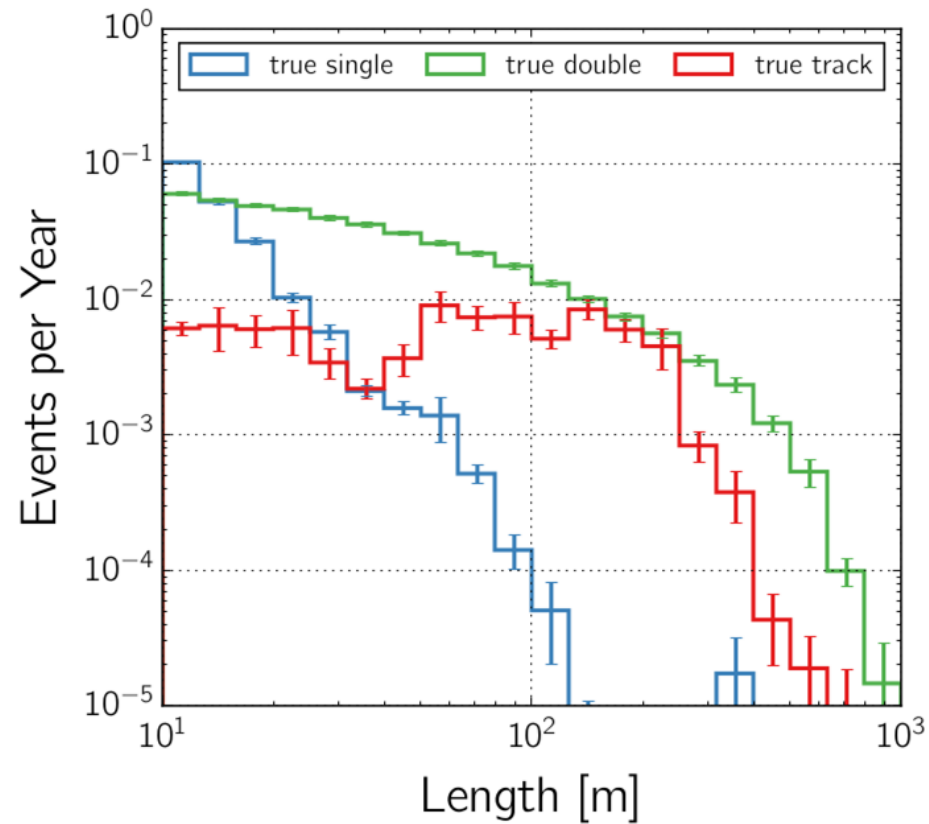
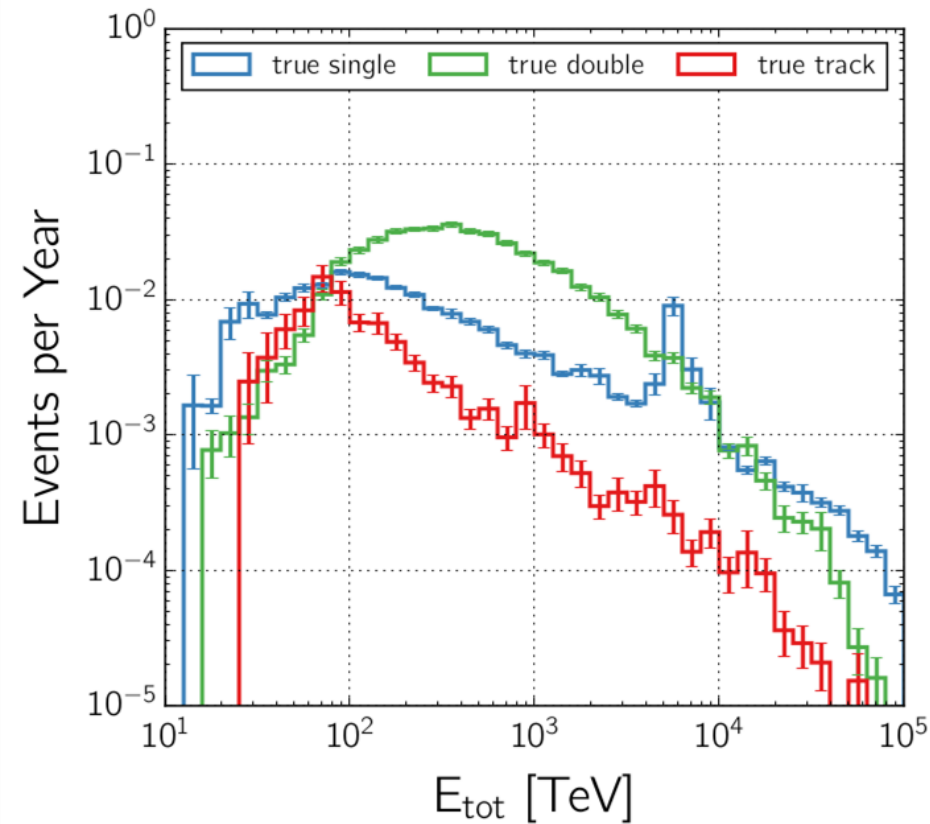
$$B_{oik} = B(x_k, y_k, z_k, t_k, \theta_k, \phi_k, x_o, y_o, z_o, t_{oi})$$

## Analysis 1: double bang



# Analysis 1 Double bang: signal and background

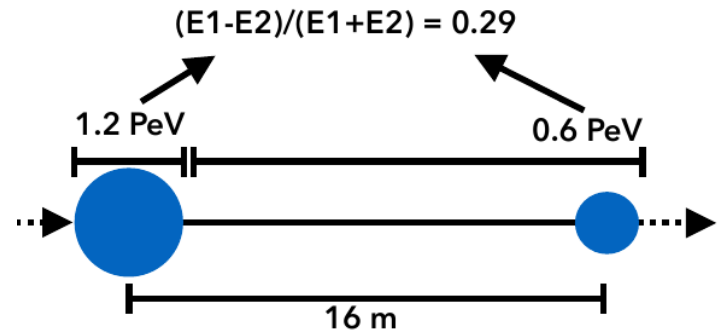
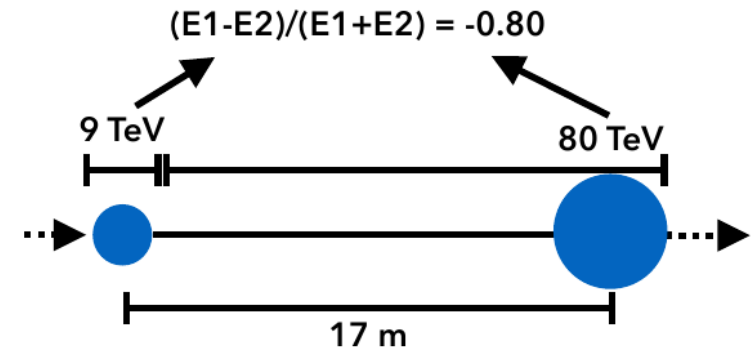
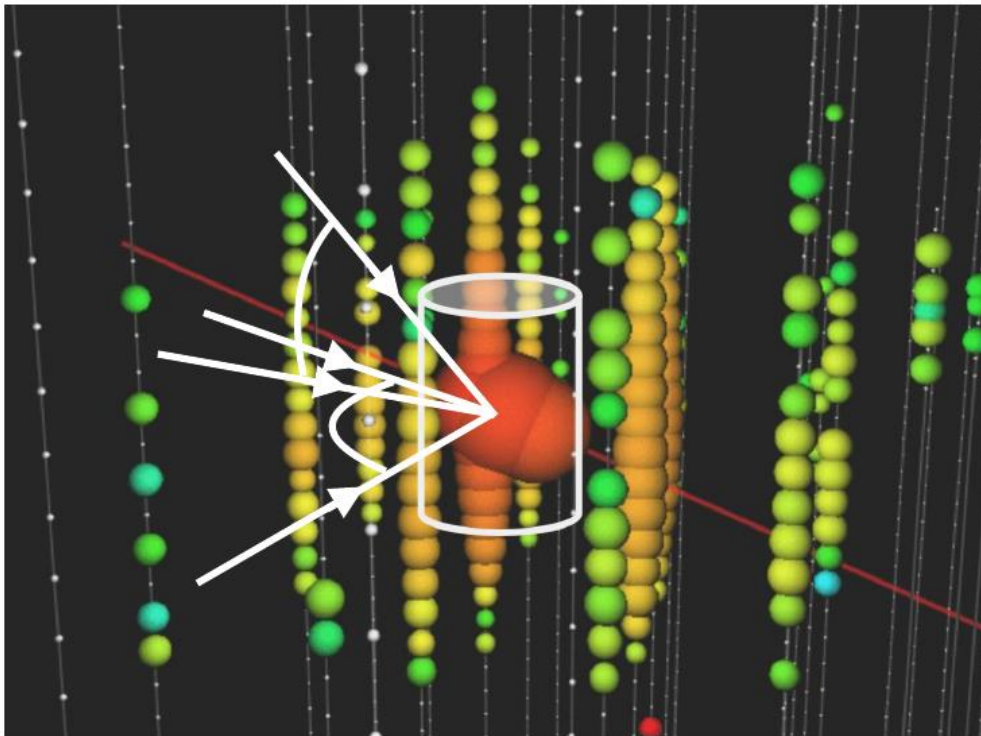
Deposited Energy and Length (Double Cascade Sample)



# Results from analysis 1: found two candidates

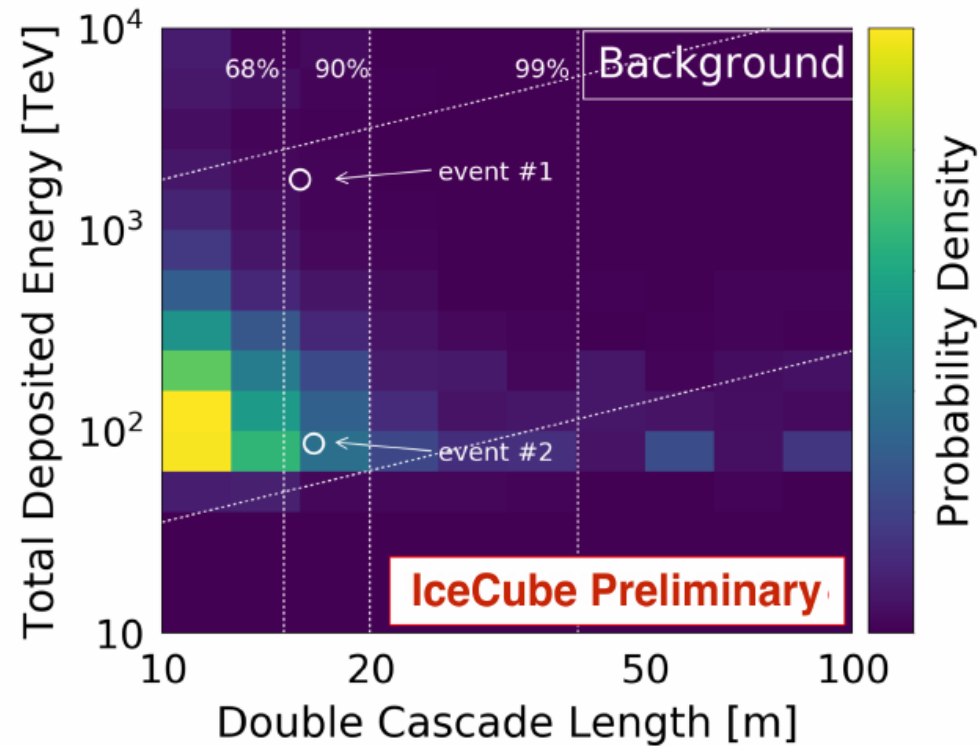
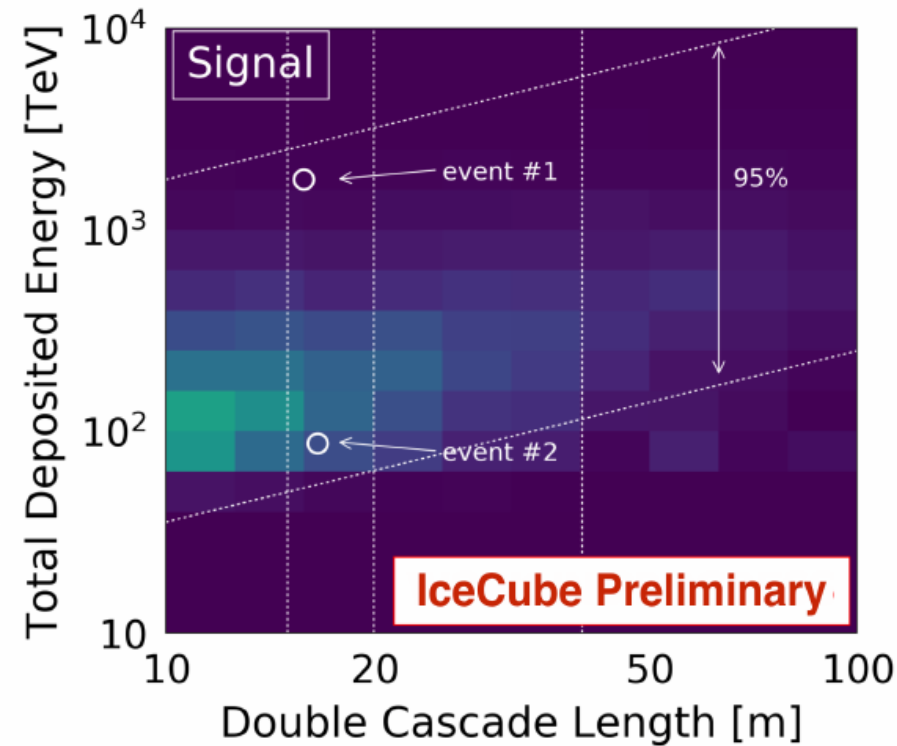
7.5 years livetime

Event double-double





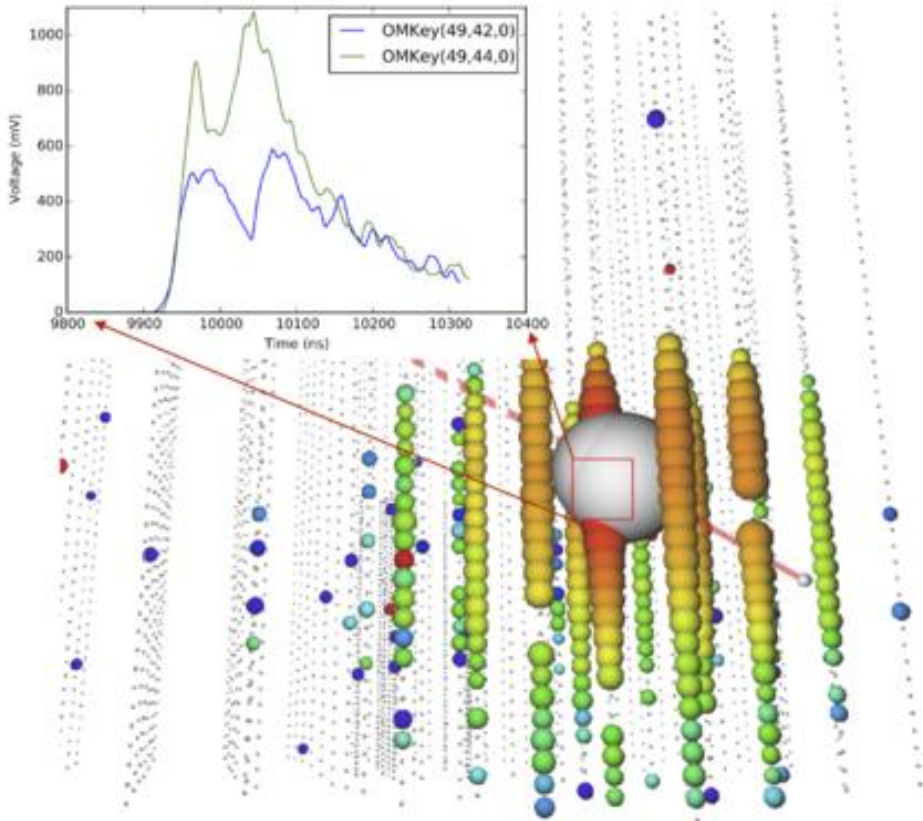
# Result from analysis 1



- 2 events in Double Cascade bin
- Soft spectral index: 2.9  $\rightarrow$  expect  $\sim 2.1$  events ( $\sim 1.4$  signal +  $\sim 0.7$  background)

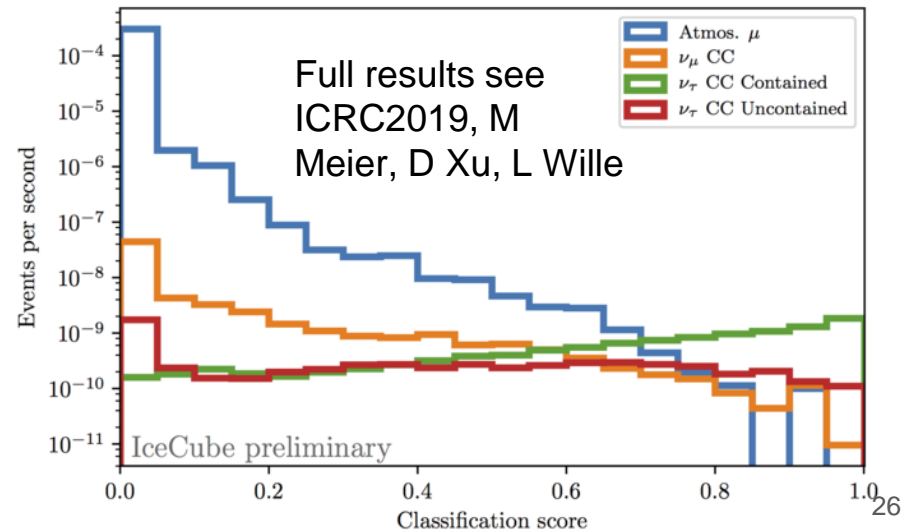
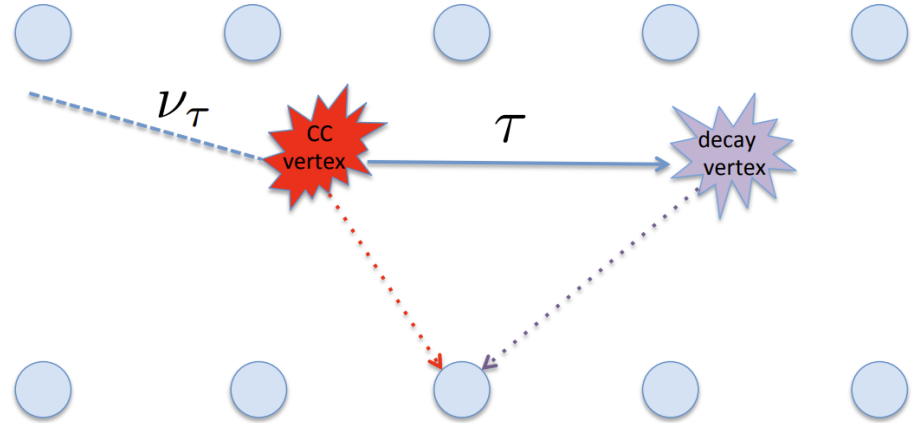
# Analysis 2 & 3 Double pulse

Machine-learning  
 $\nu_s$   
Human cuts

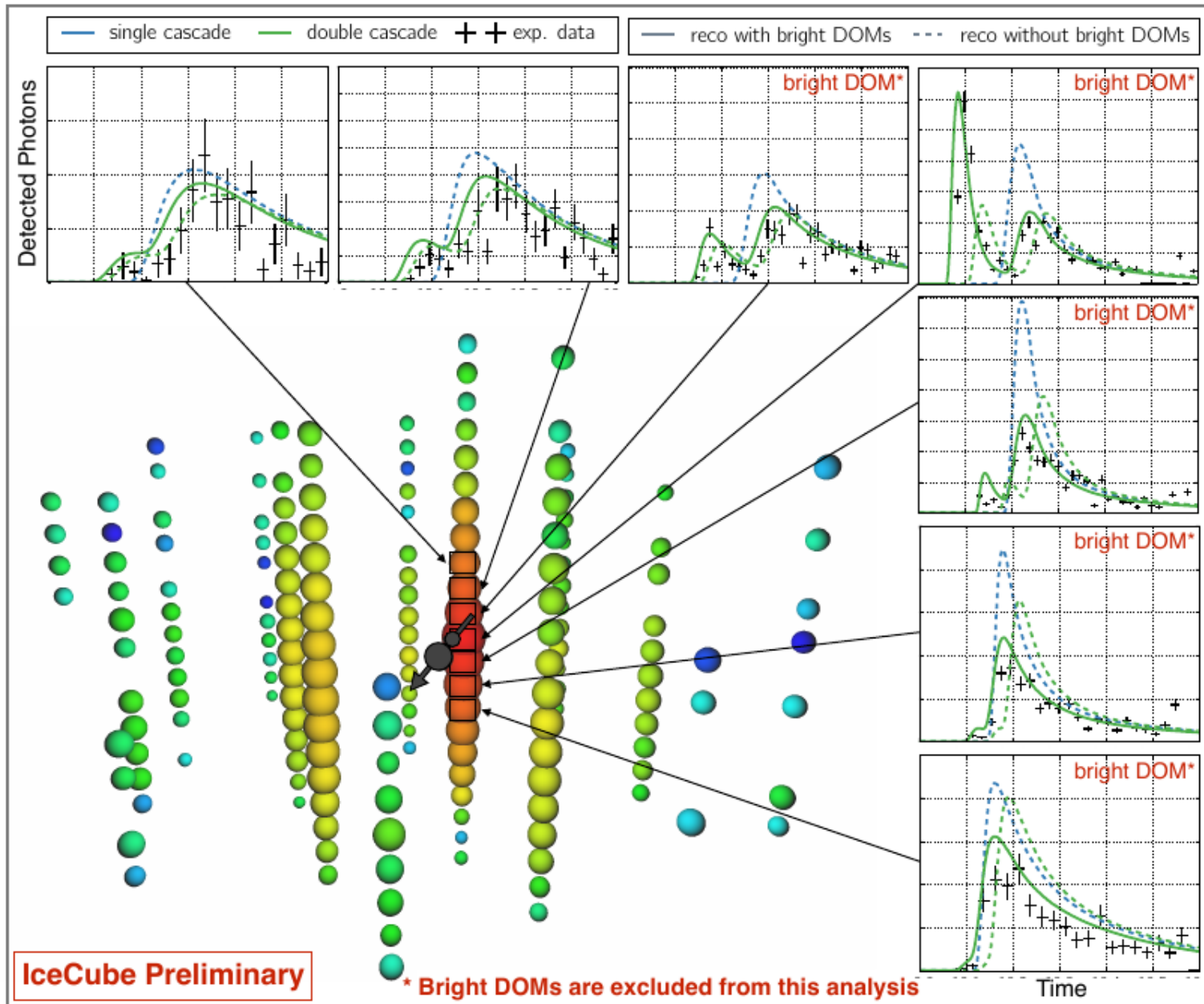


Simulation

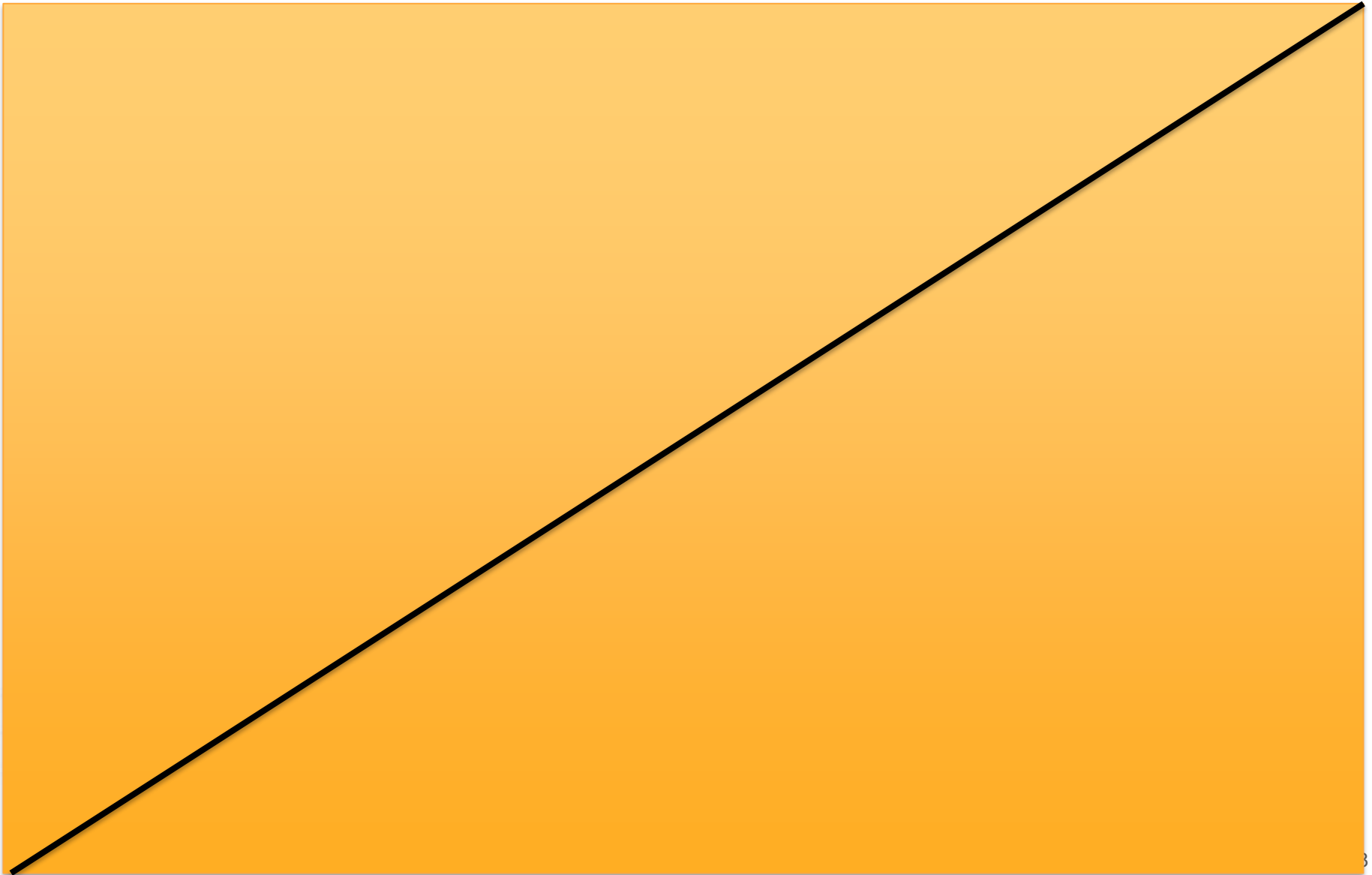
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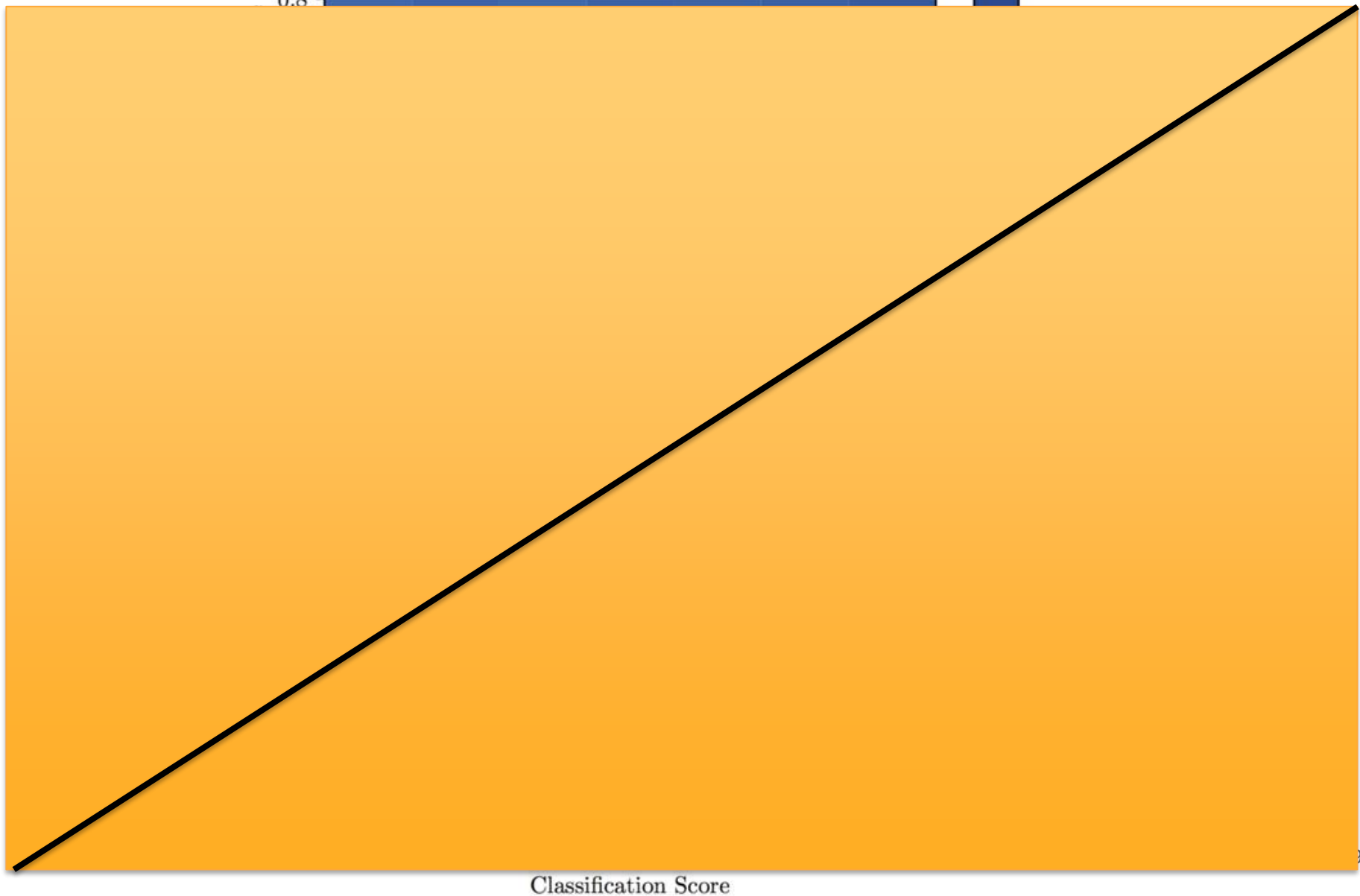
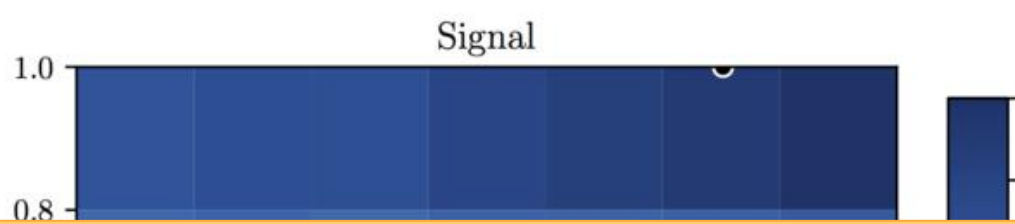


# Also found two events. One is the same with analysis 1

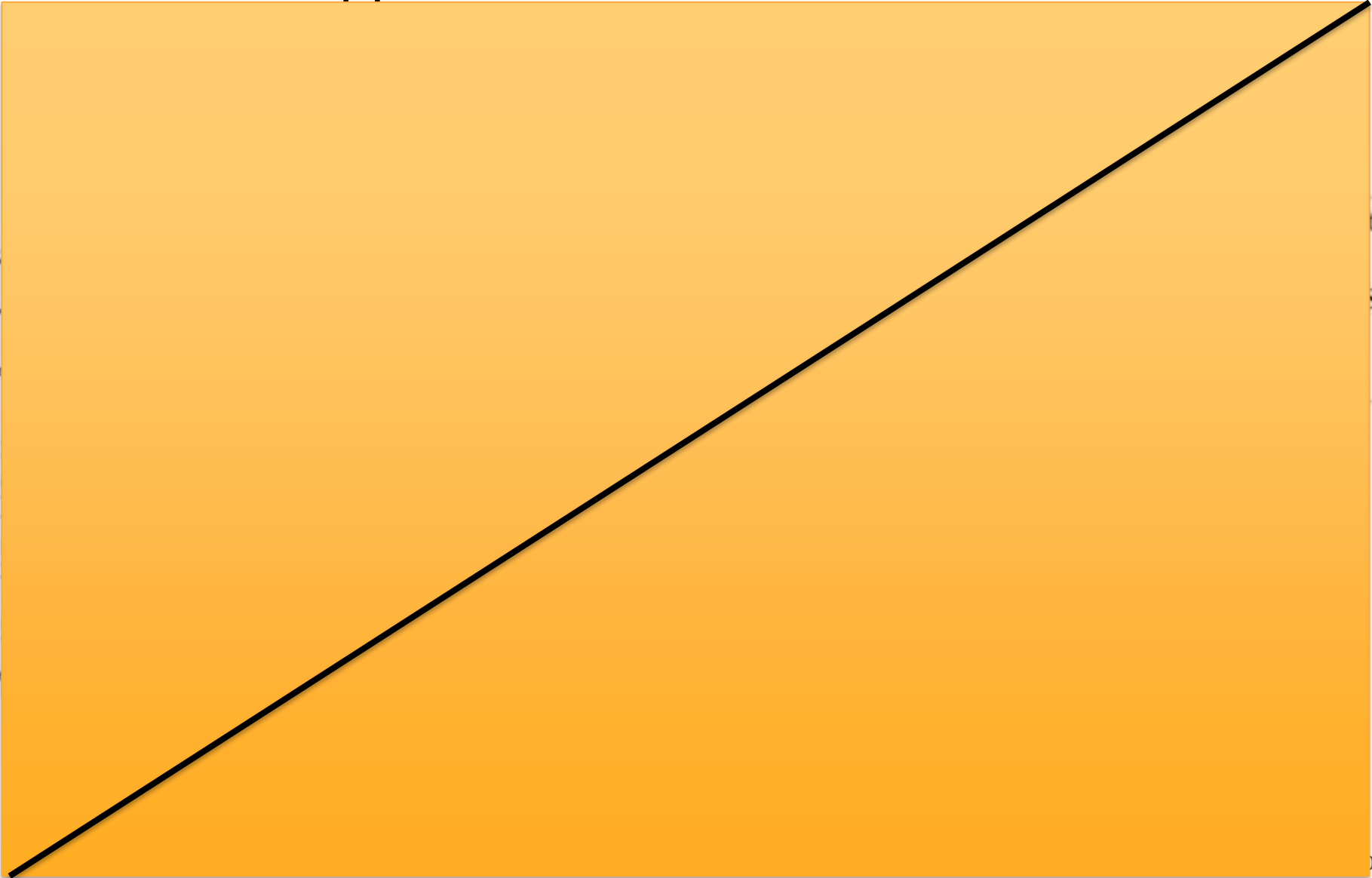


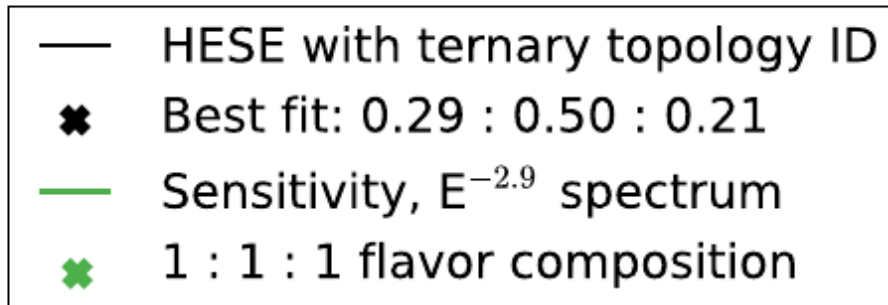
The second candidate from analysis 2&3



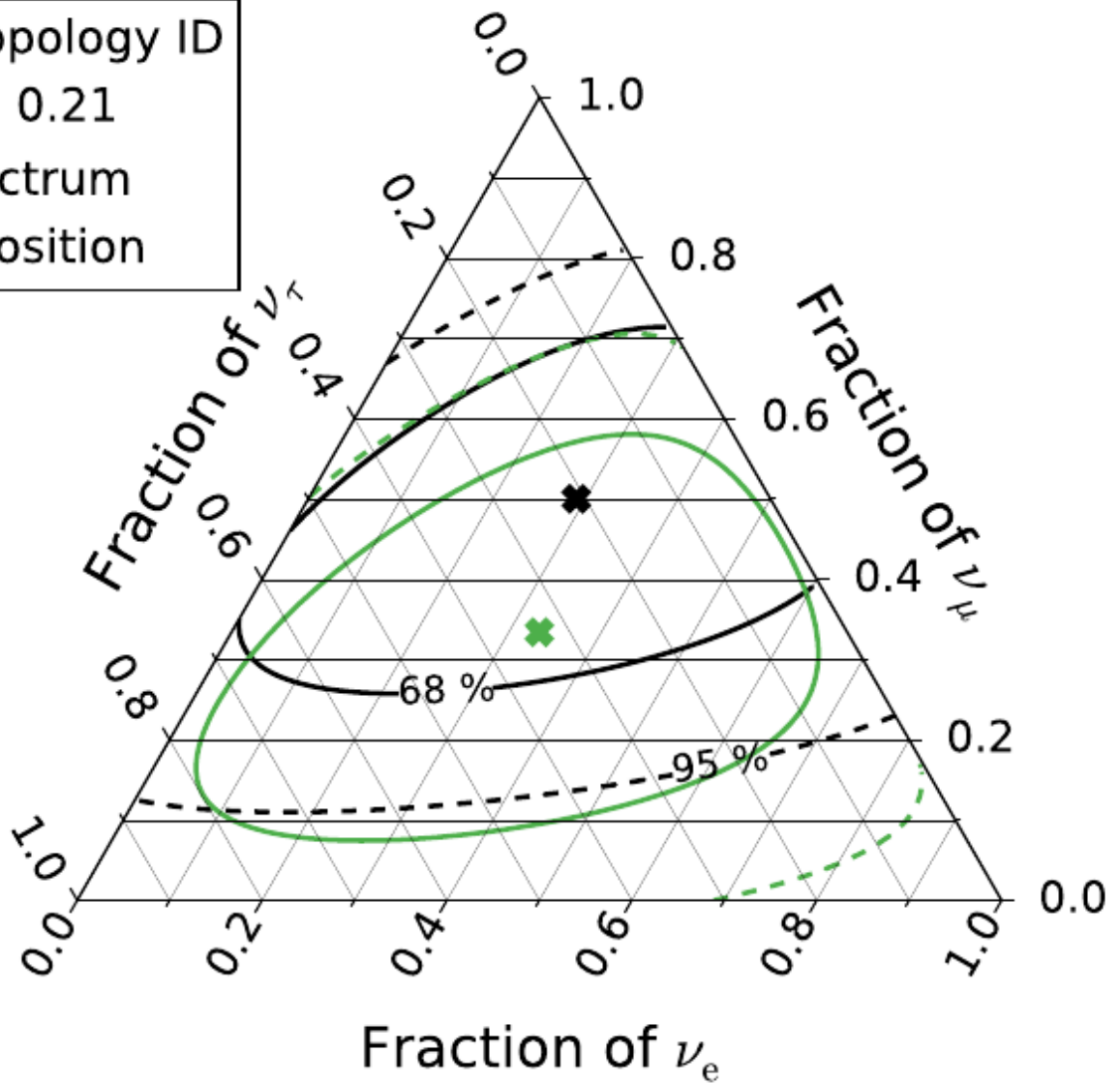


# Differential upper limit for tau





WORK IN PROGRESS



- Best-fit  $\nu_e:\nu_\mu:\nu_\tau = 0.29:0.50:0.21$

Need a larger detector!

# Conclusions

- $\nu\tau$  appearance for 100TeV-10PeV with cosmological baselines possible with IceCube
- Flavour measurements with tau can shed light on the acceleration environment of high-energy-neutrino sources
- Possible to test beyond standard models
  
- Three independent tau searches found one common tau candidate, full statistical analysis for event-by-event tau probability in progress
- Preliminary results are consistent with expectations from astrophysical spectrum
  
- Need a larger detector...