

Physics Beyond the Standard Model with POEMMA

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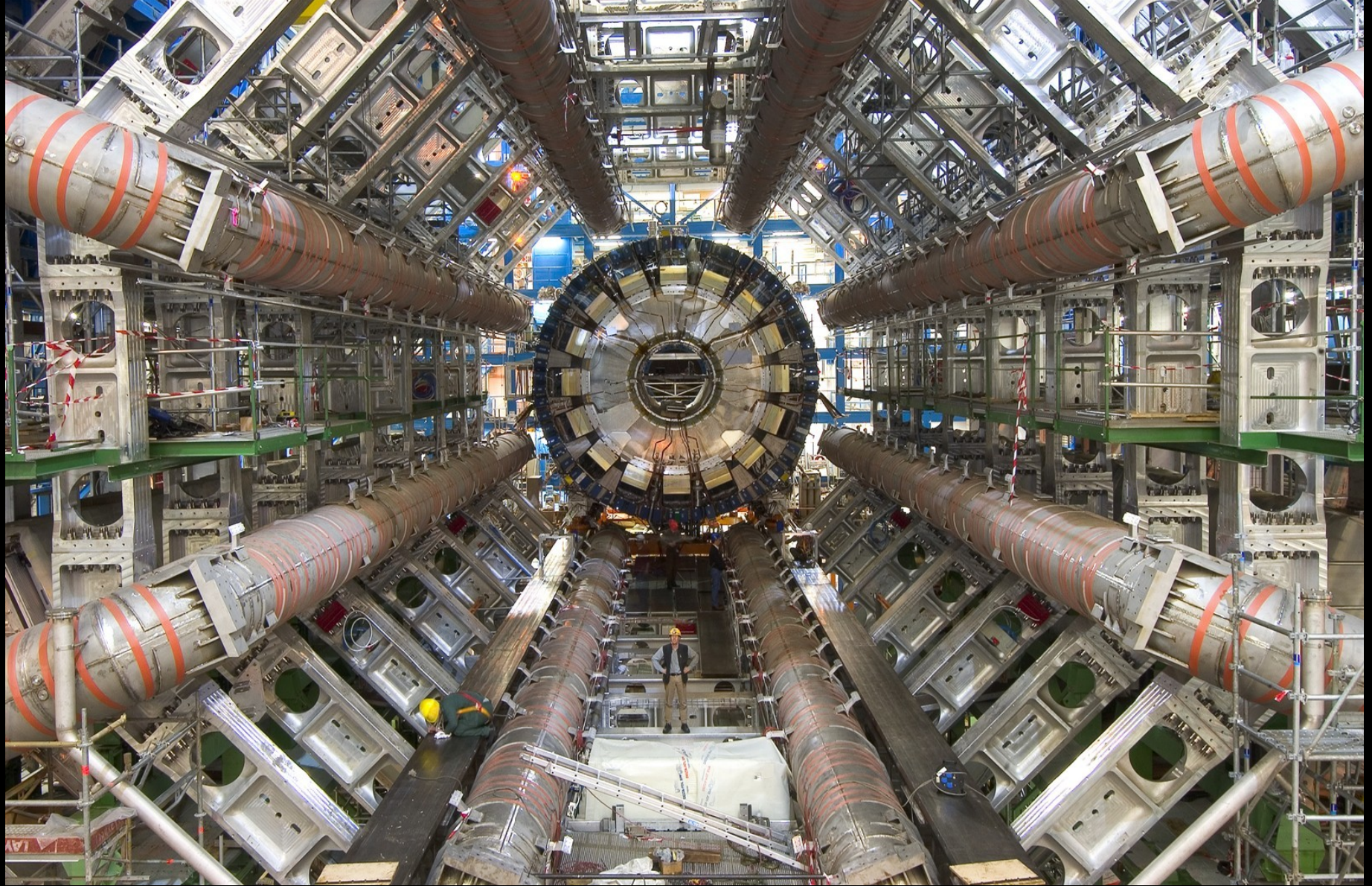
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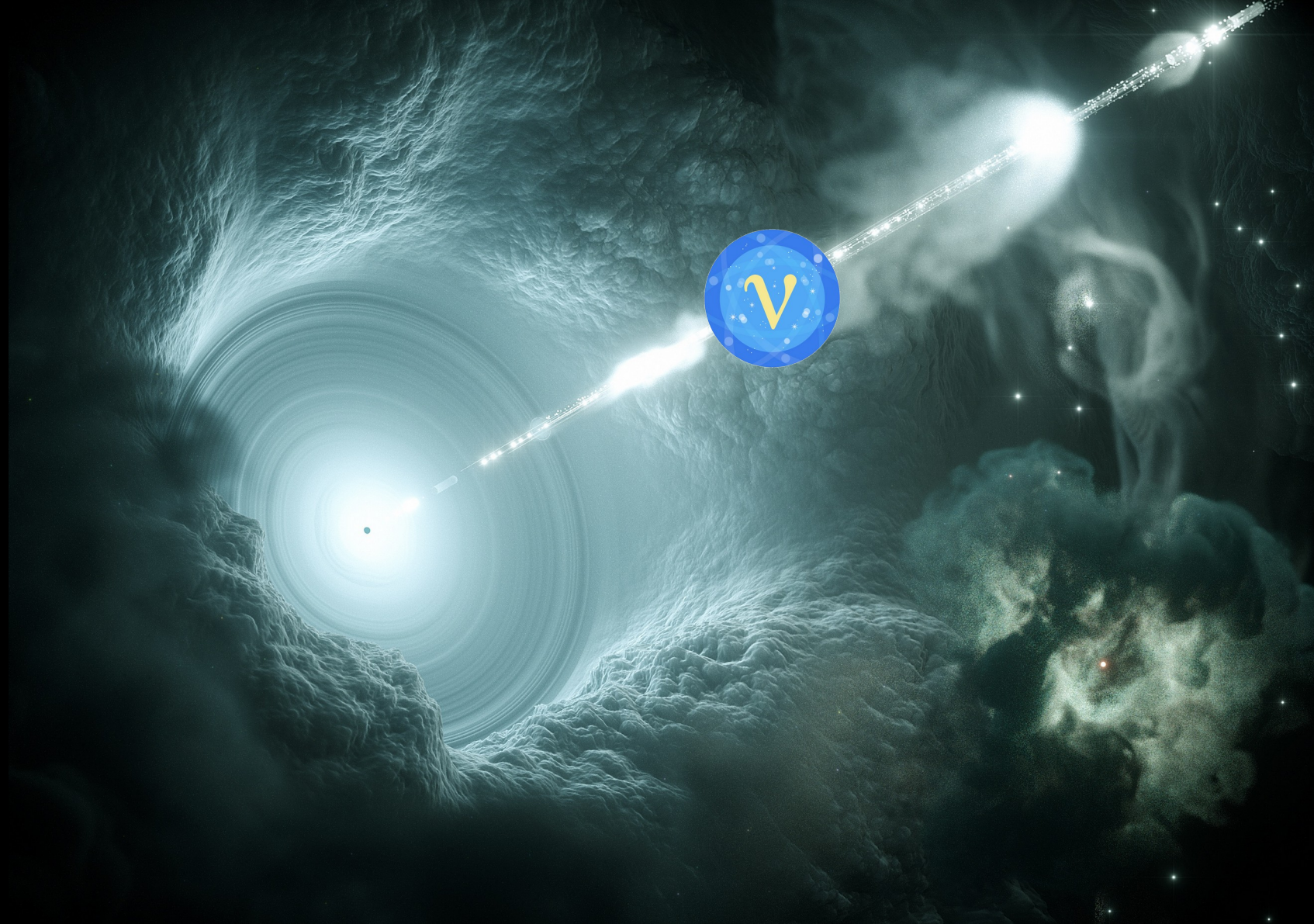


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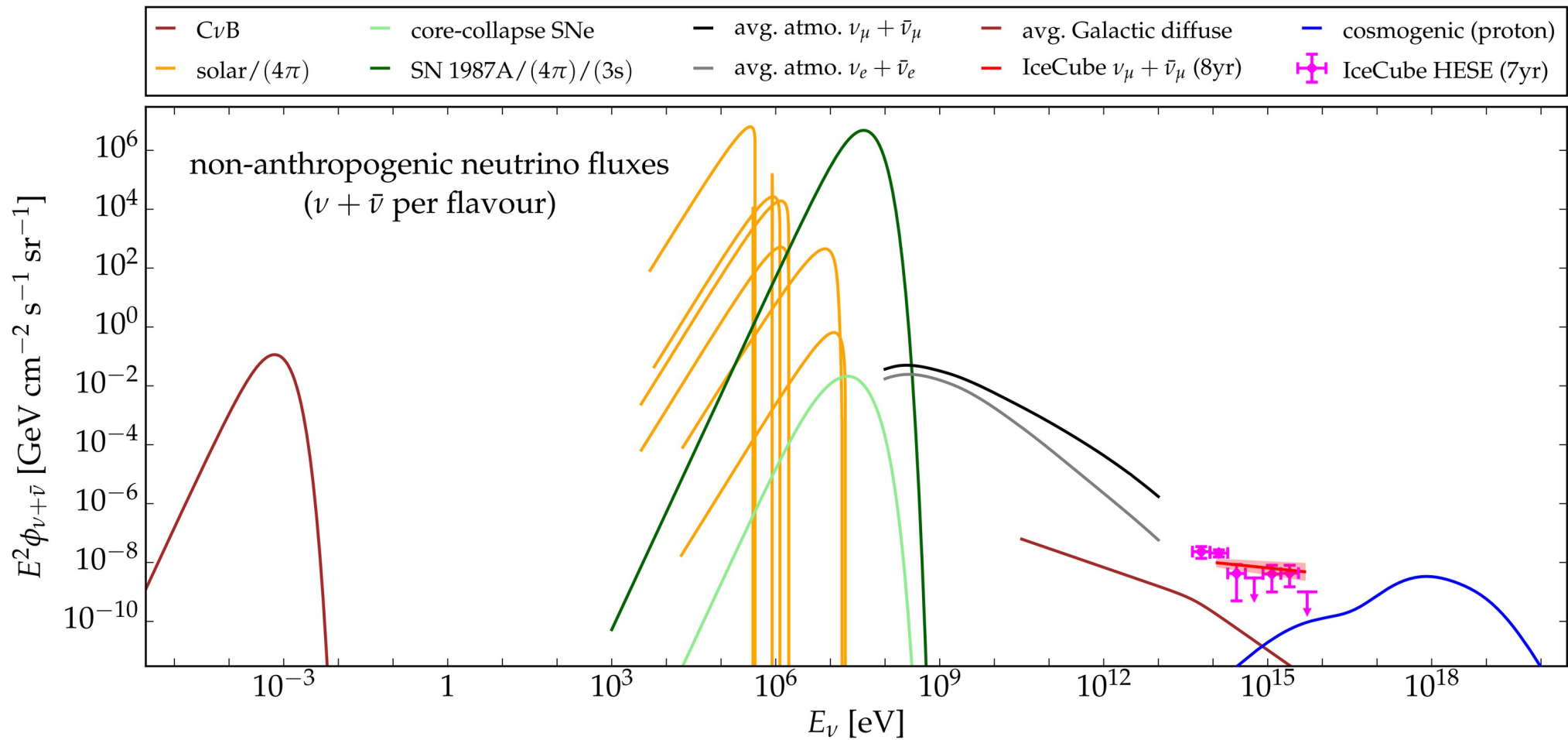


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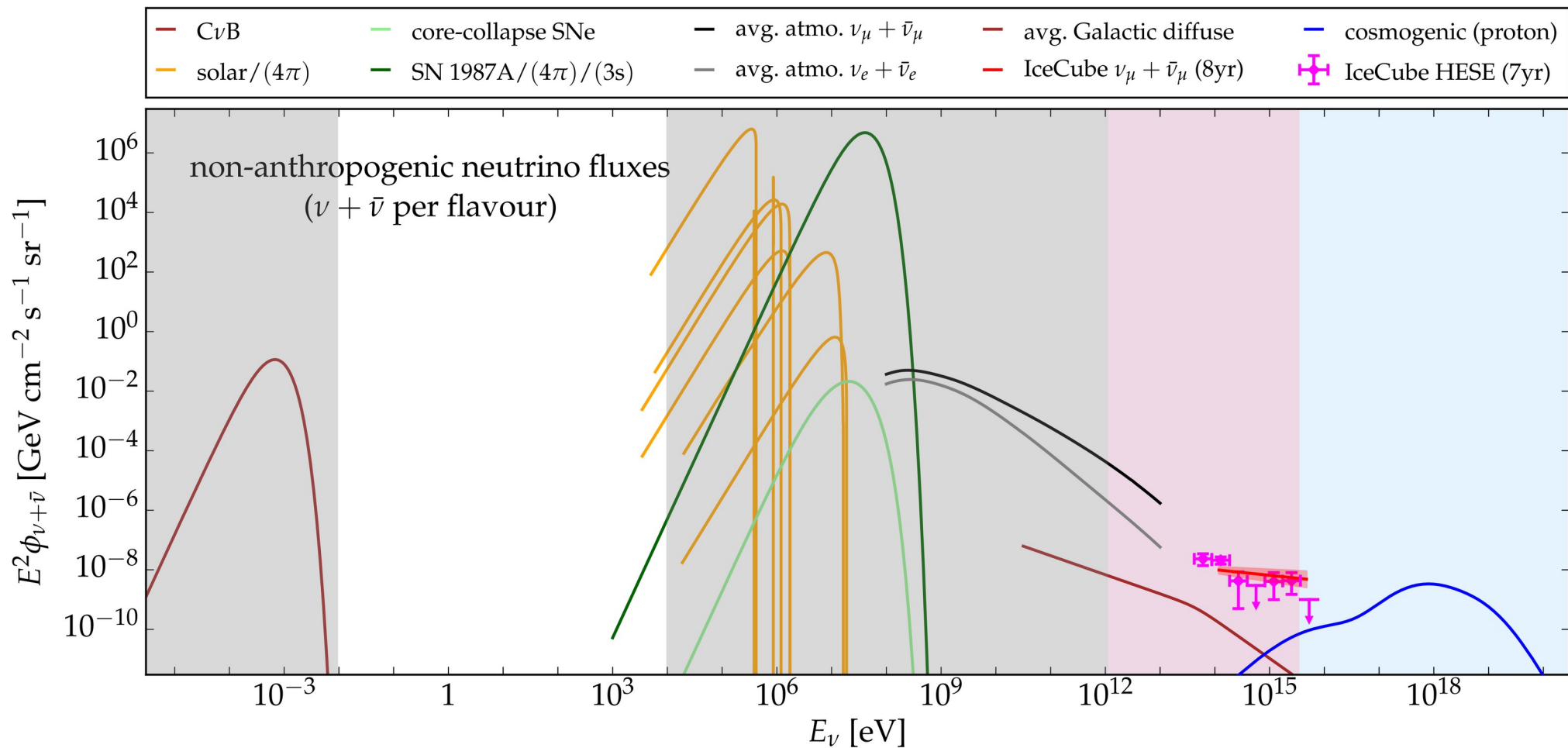


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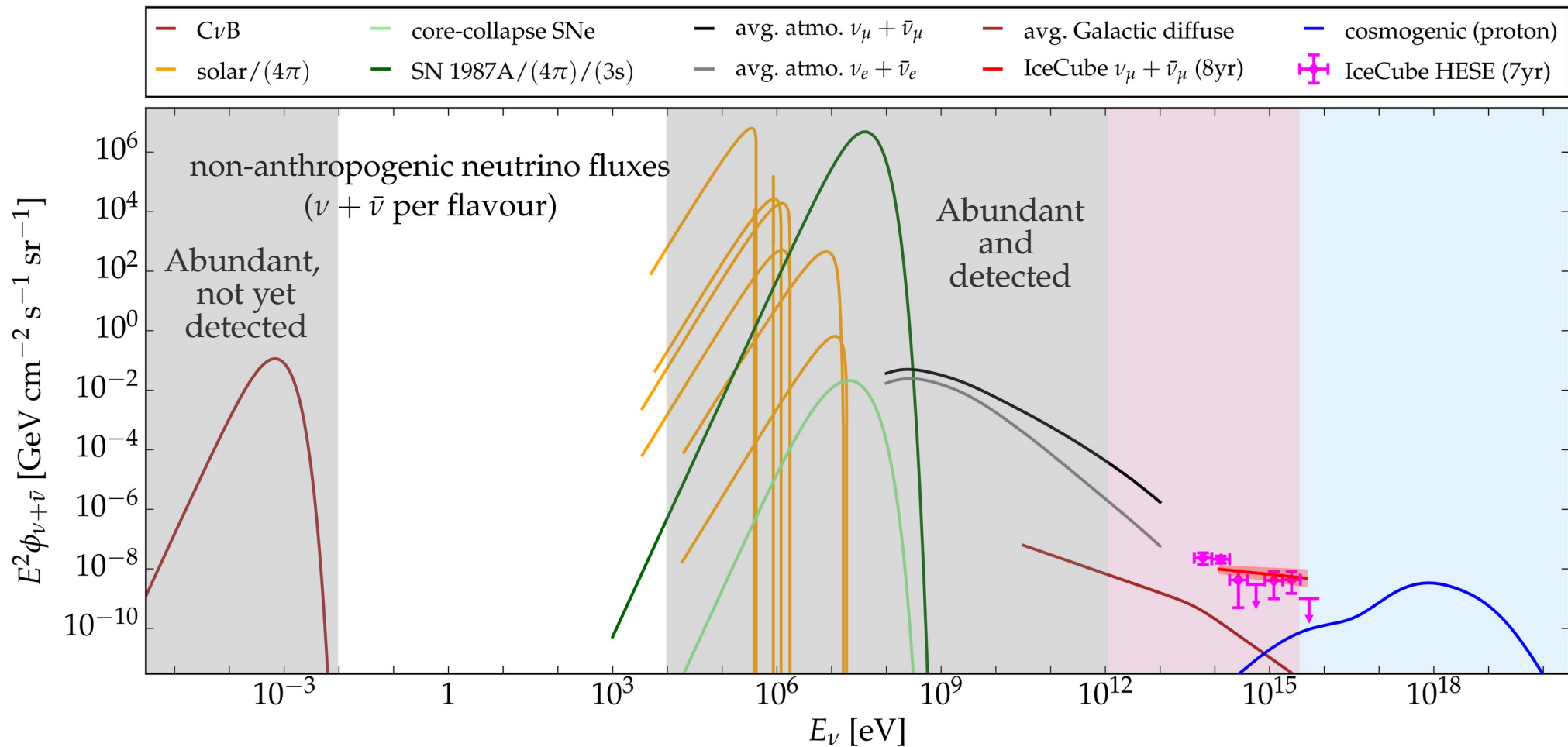


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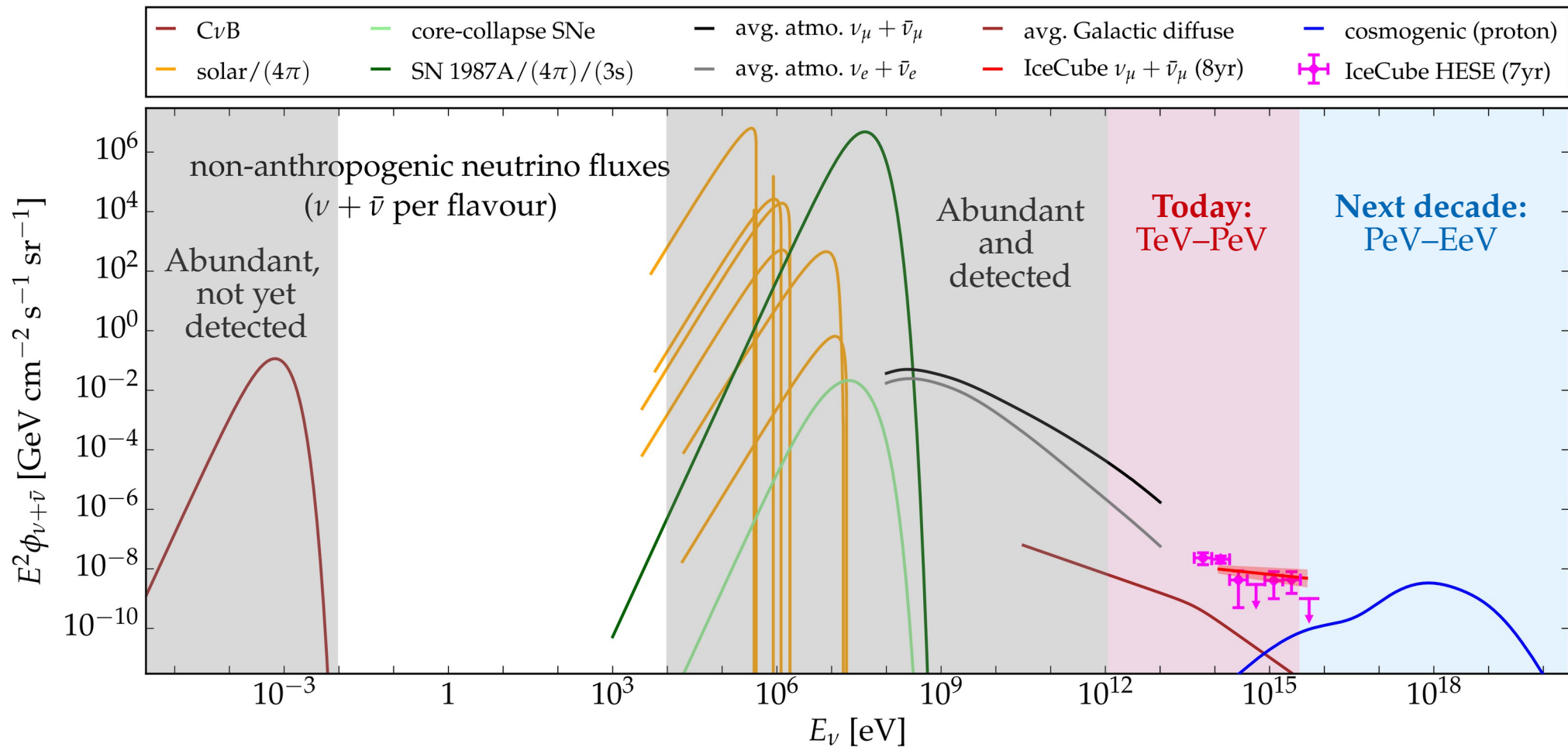
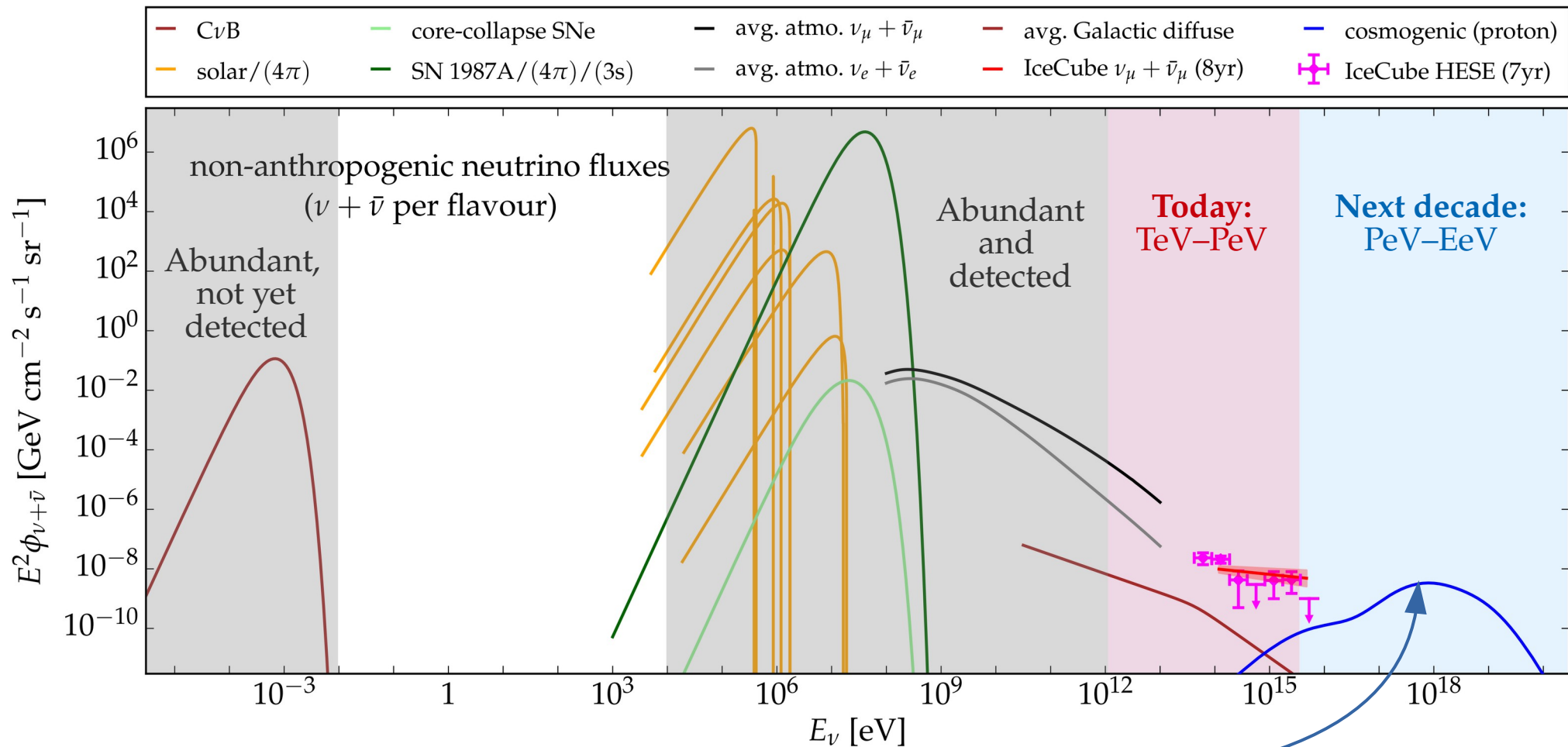


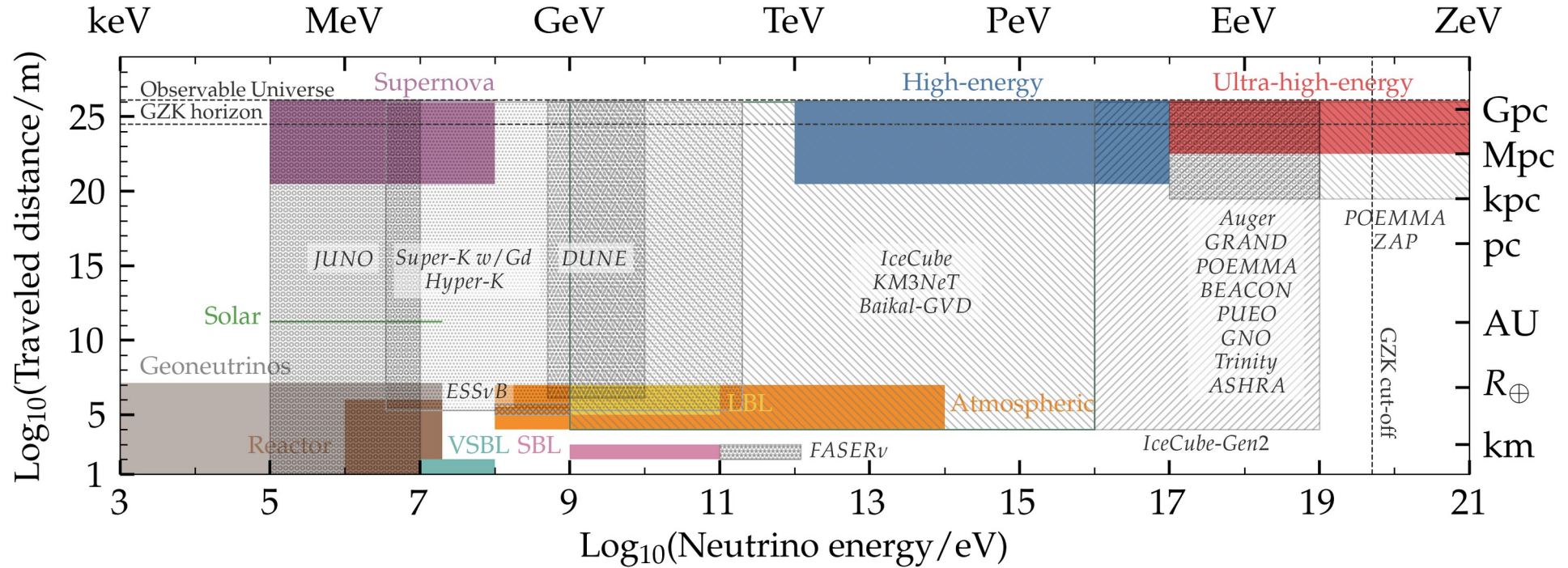
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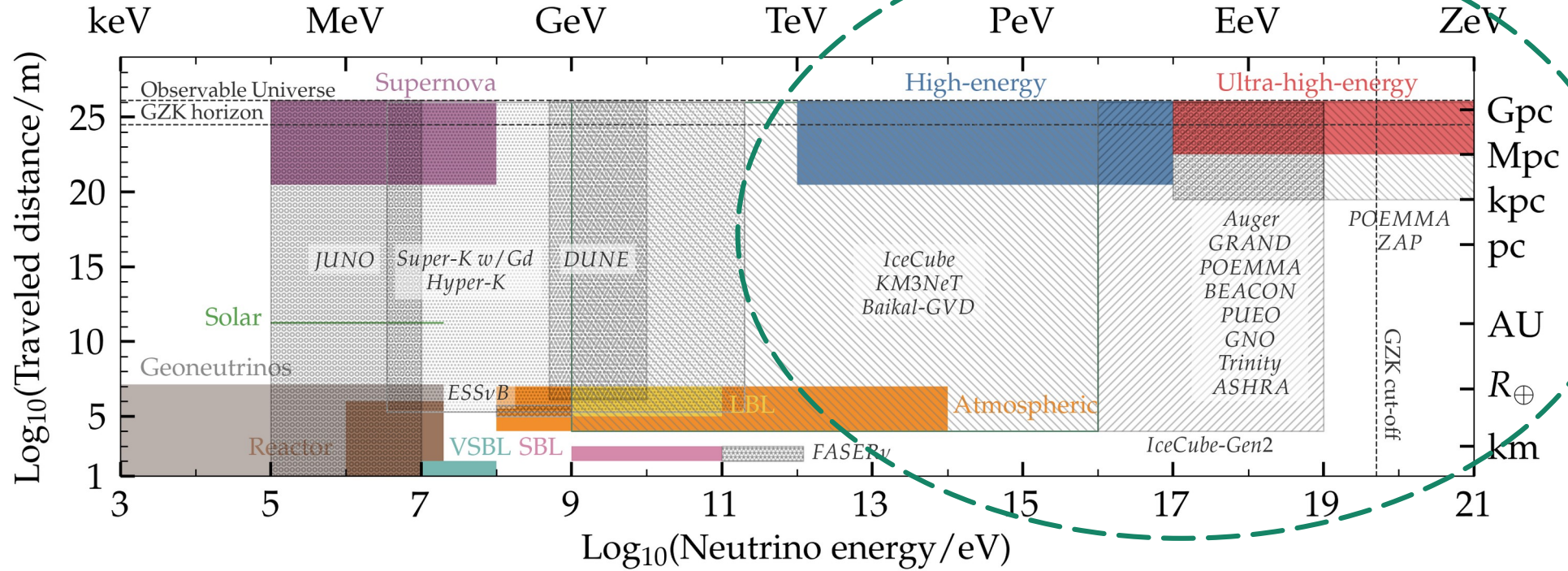
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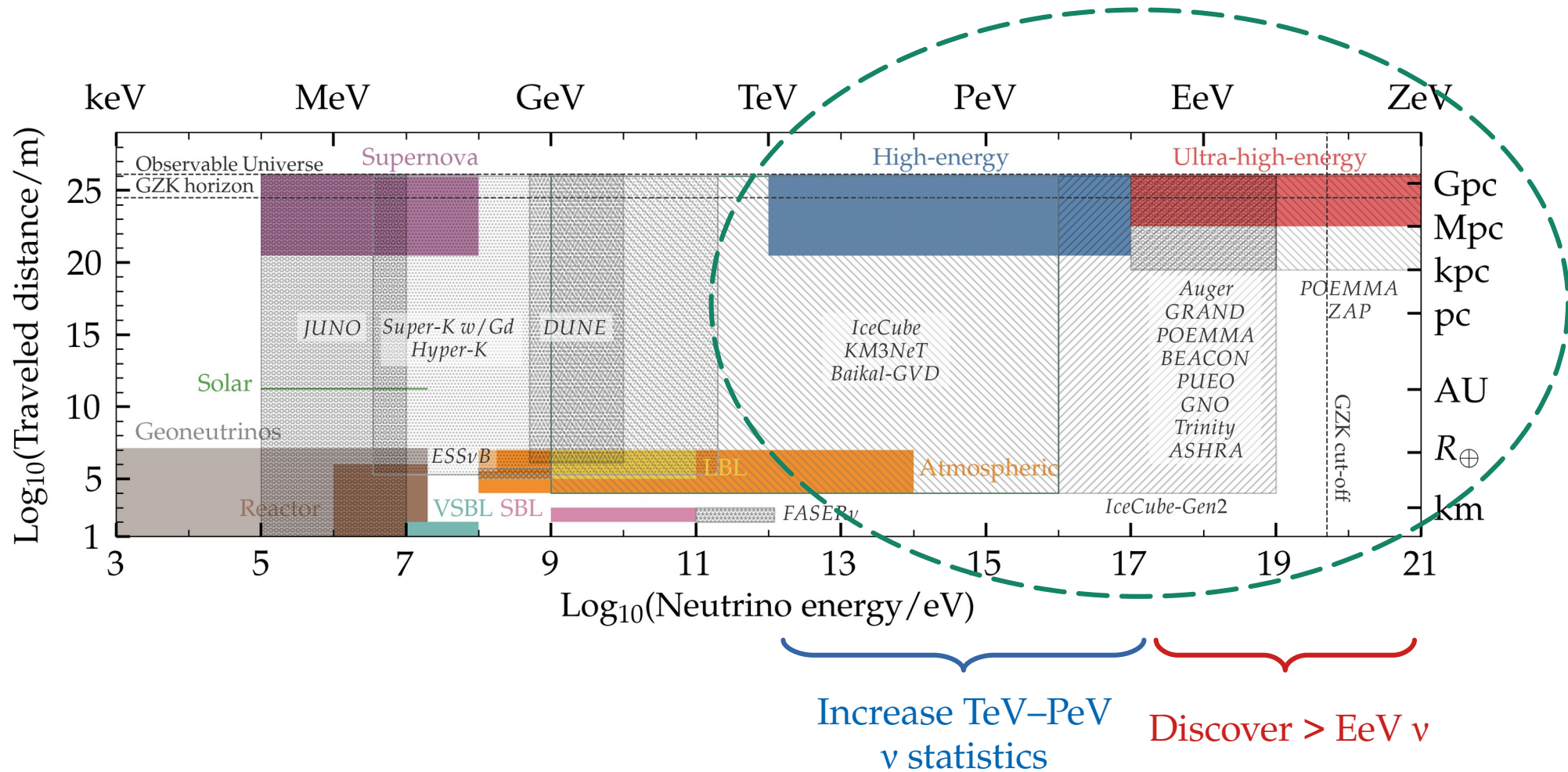
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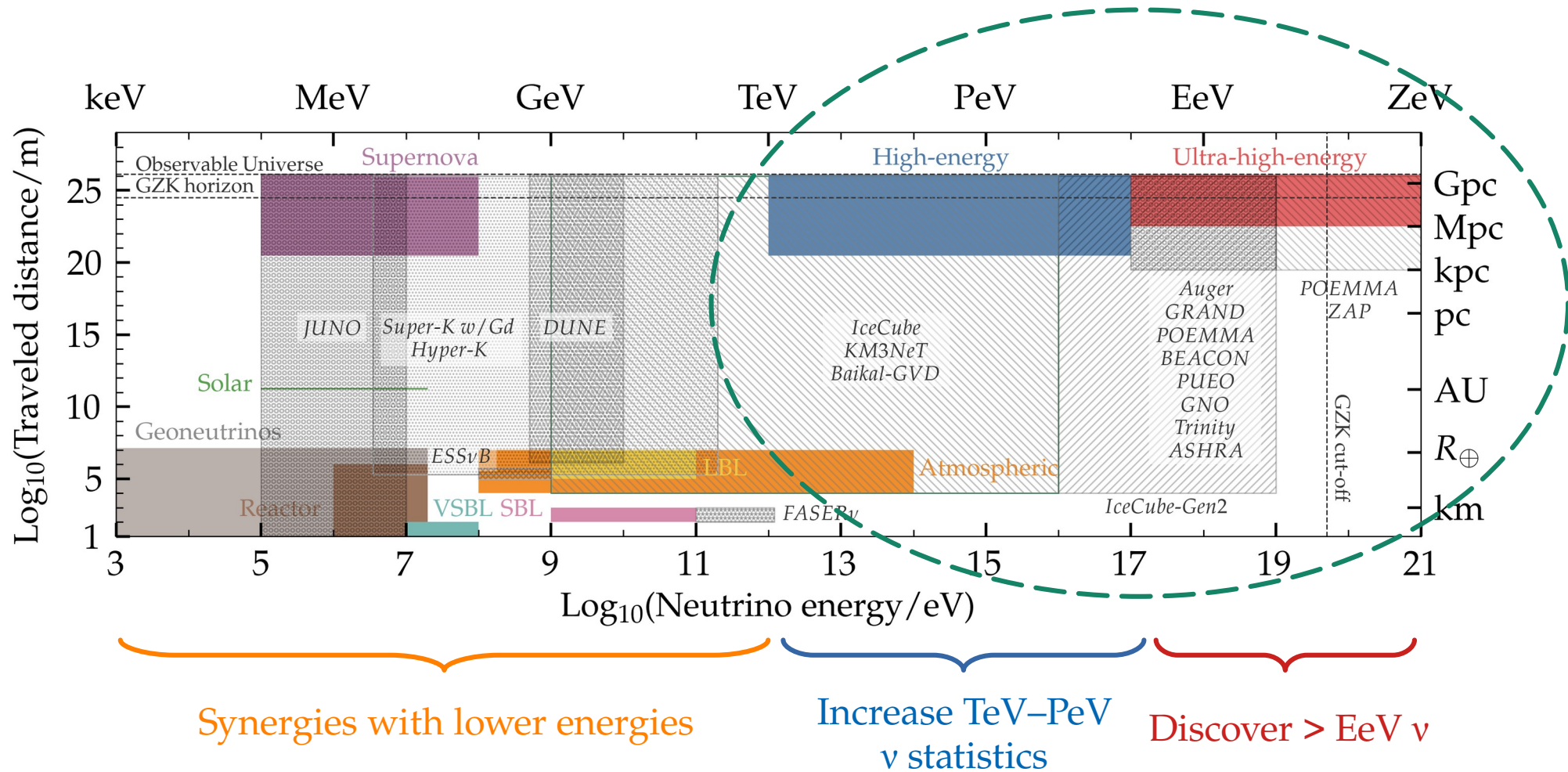
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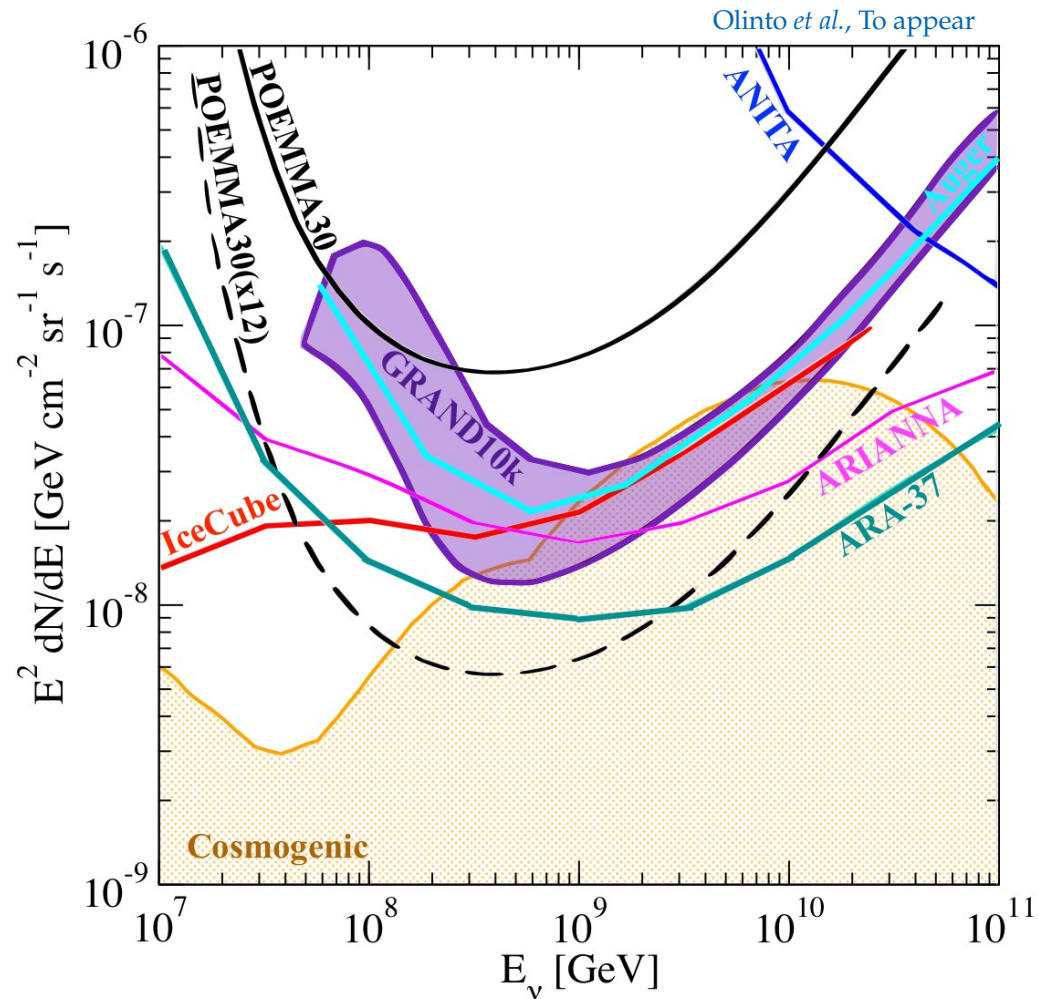
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Two disclaimers

(Wait for POEMMA360 for that!)

- 1 POEMMA is *not* sensitive to the diffuse cosmogenic ν flux
But there is still BSM physics to test!
- 2 What I will show next is exploratory, needs more study
But it already shows great promise!



I. Secret neutrino interactions

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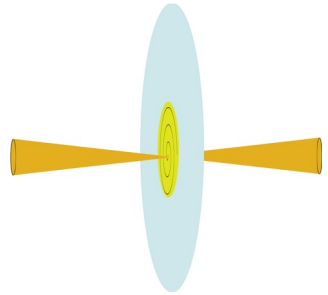


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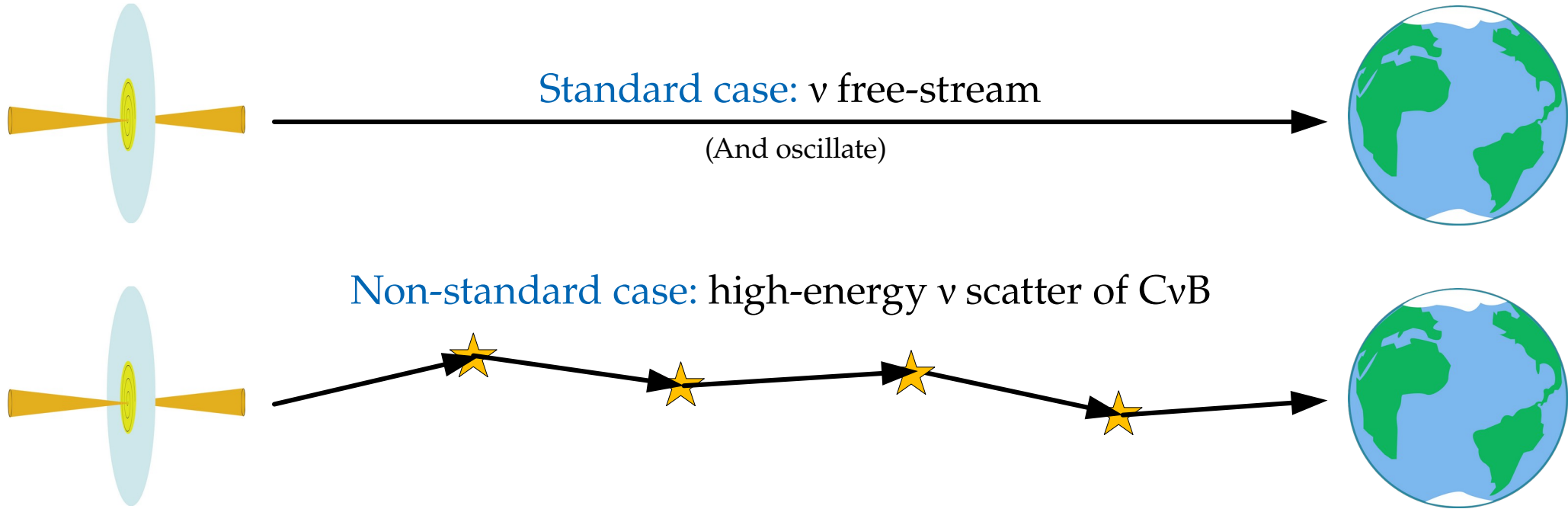


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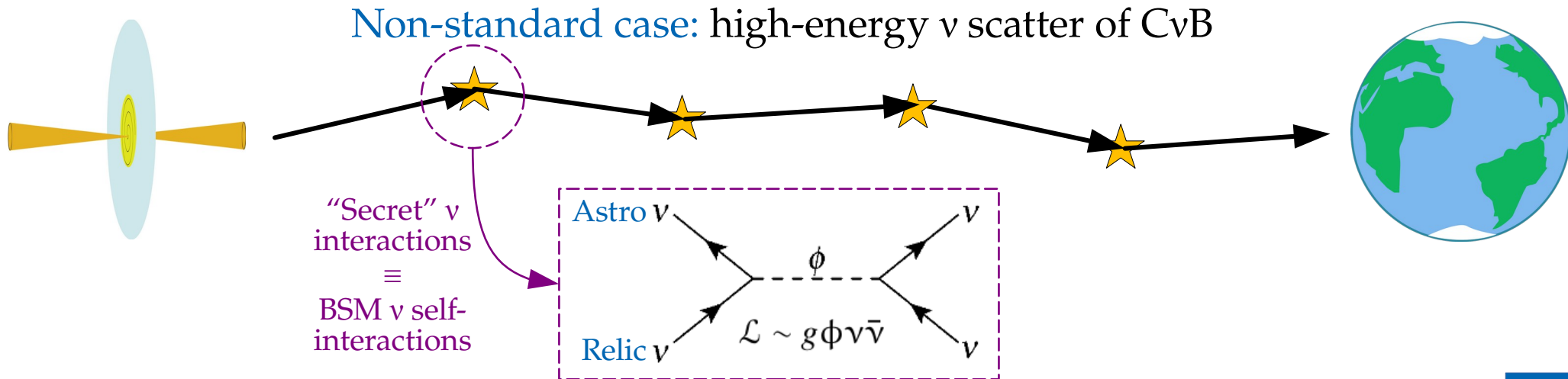
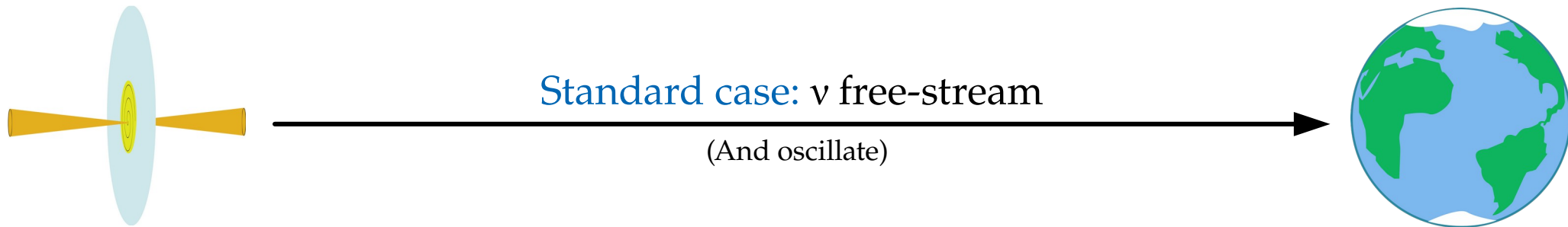
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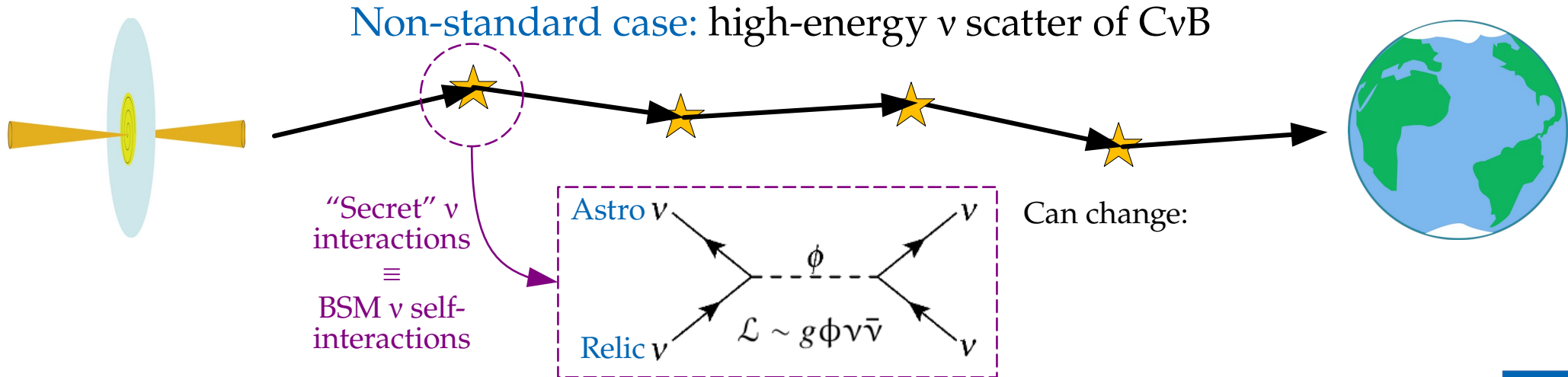
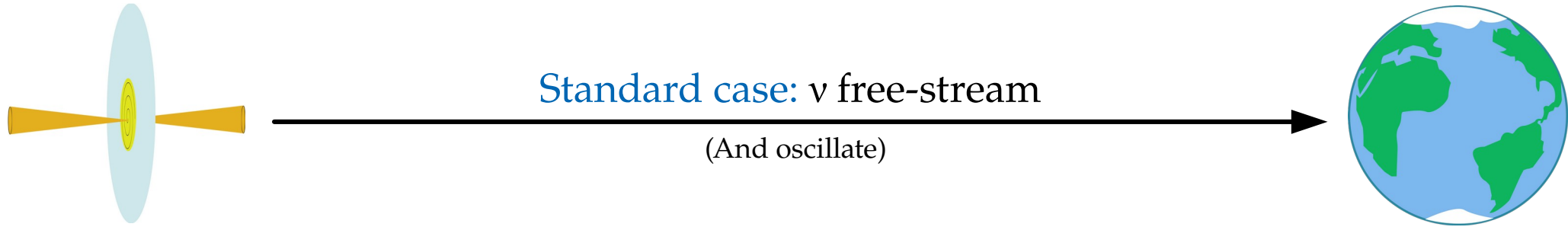
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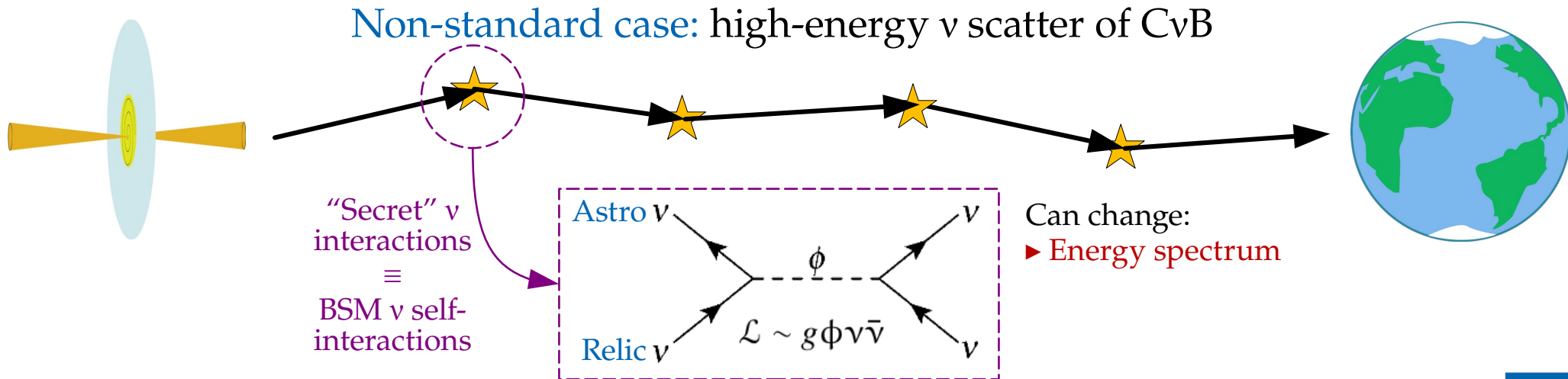
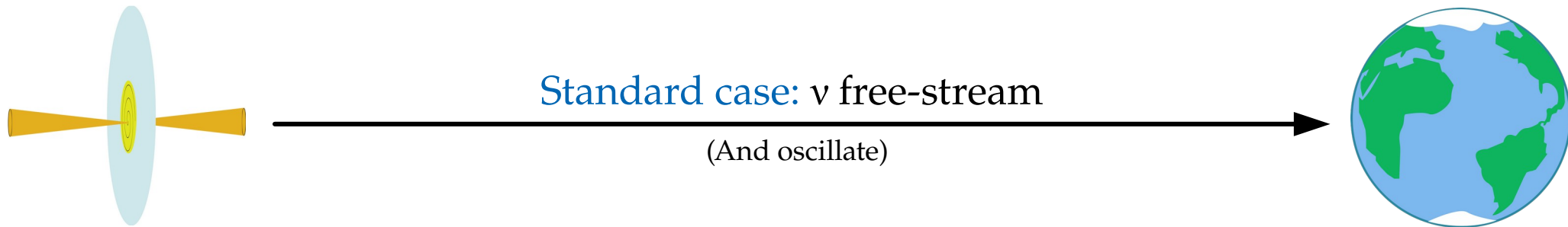
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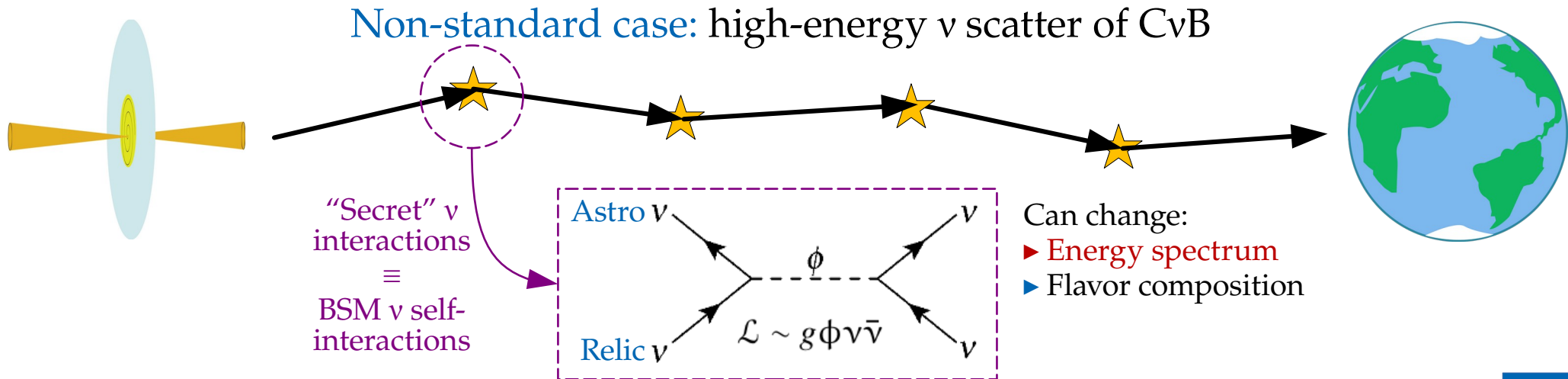
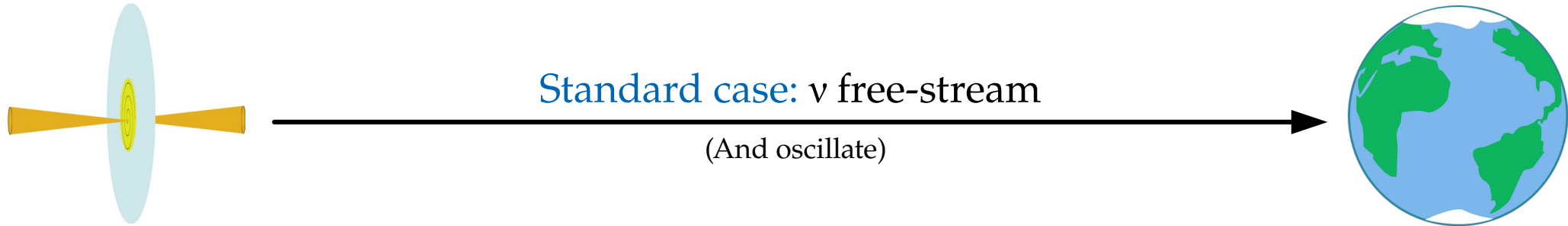
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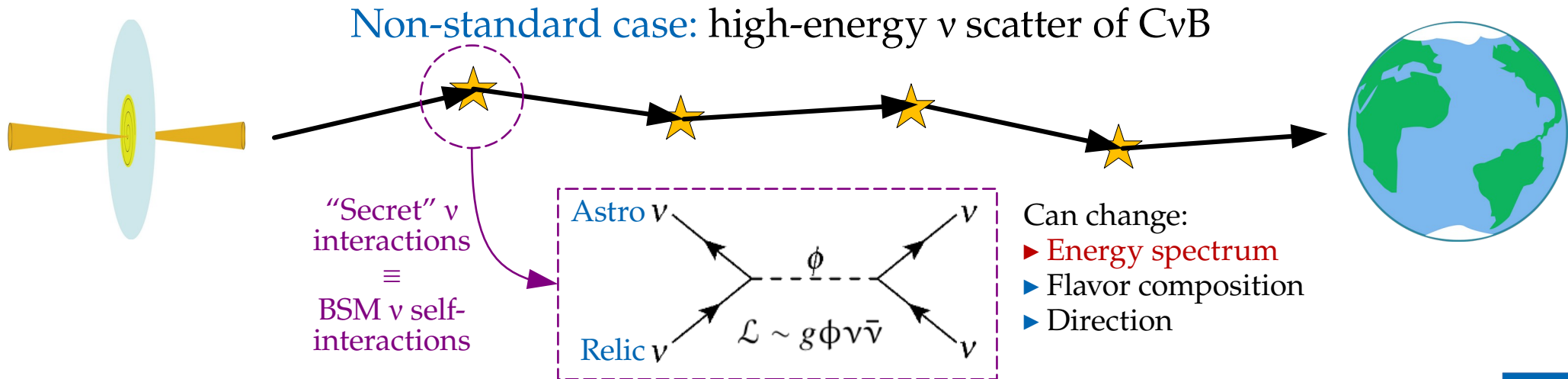
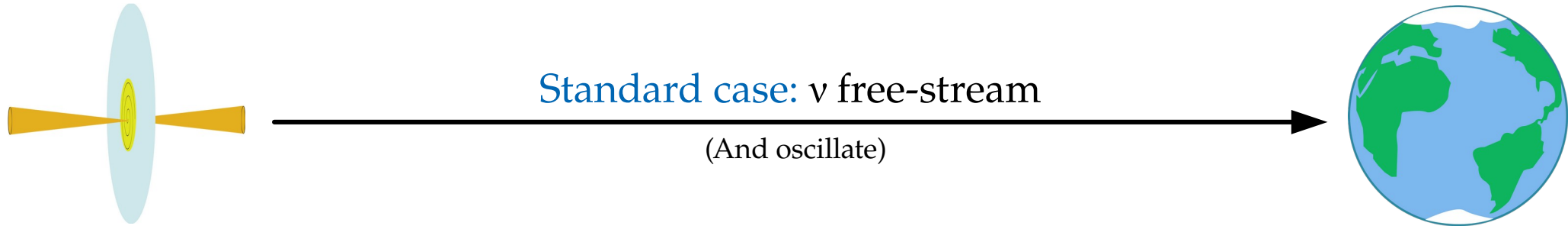
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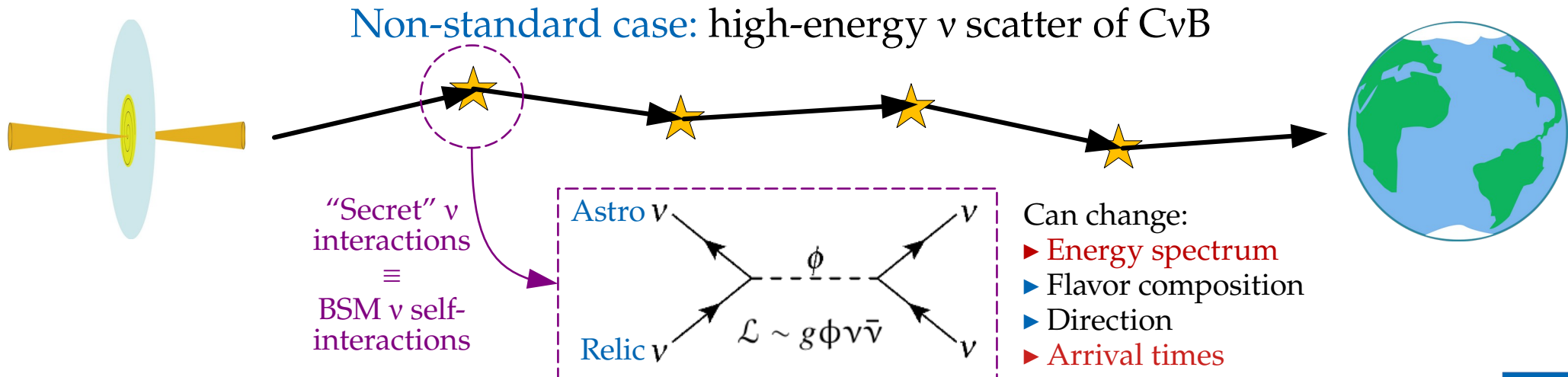
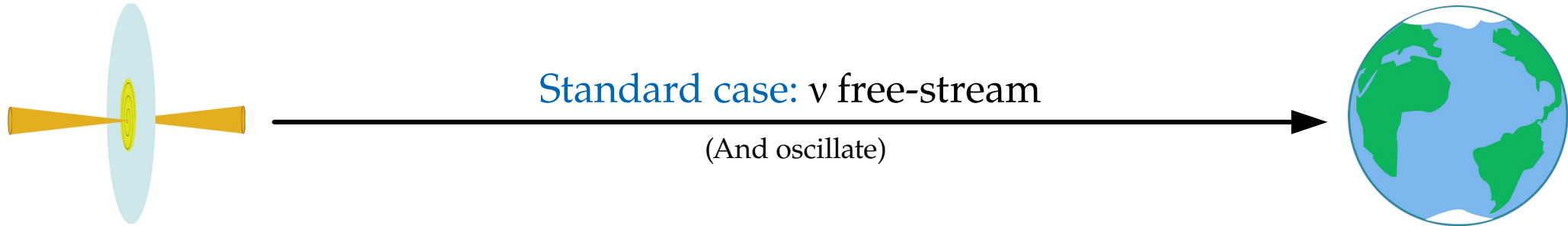
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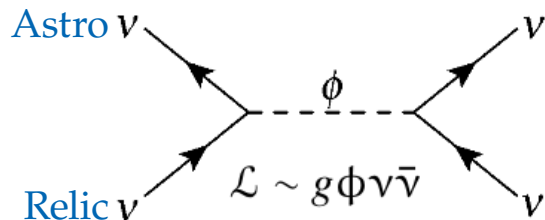


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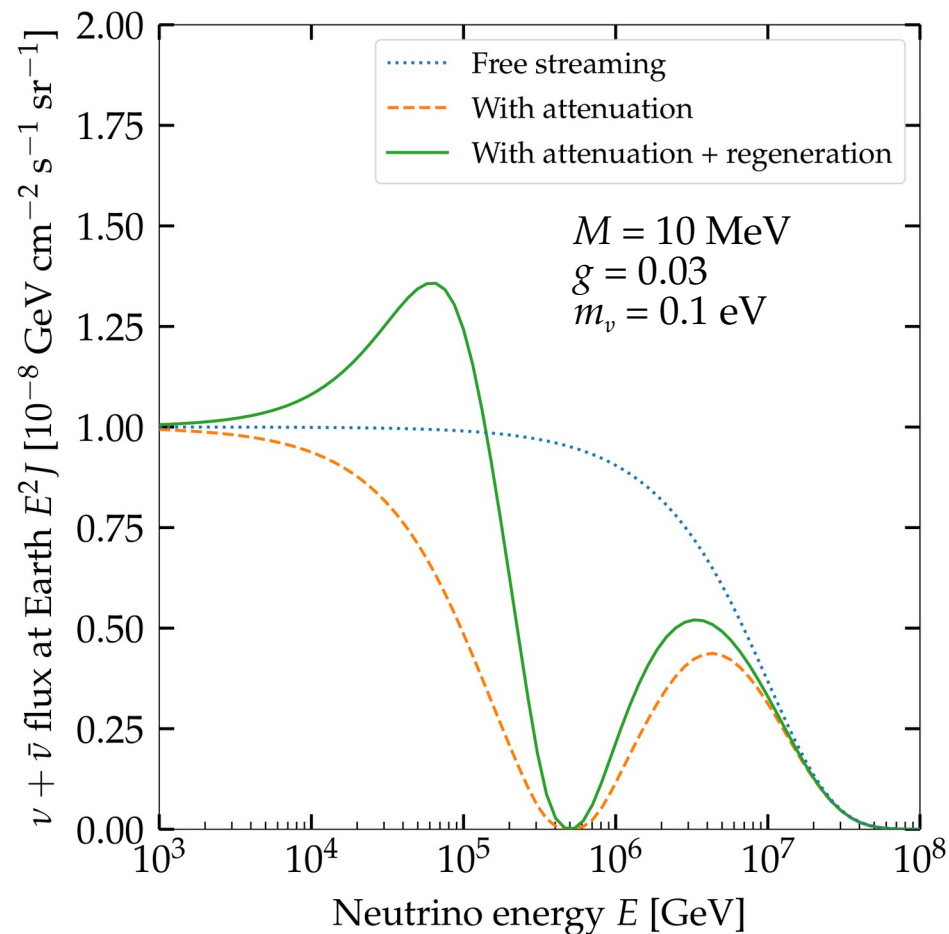
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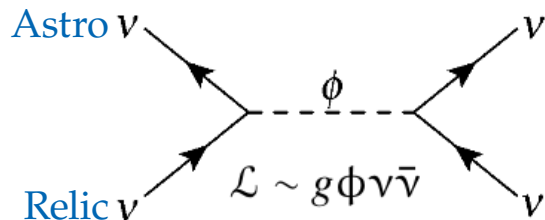
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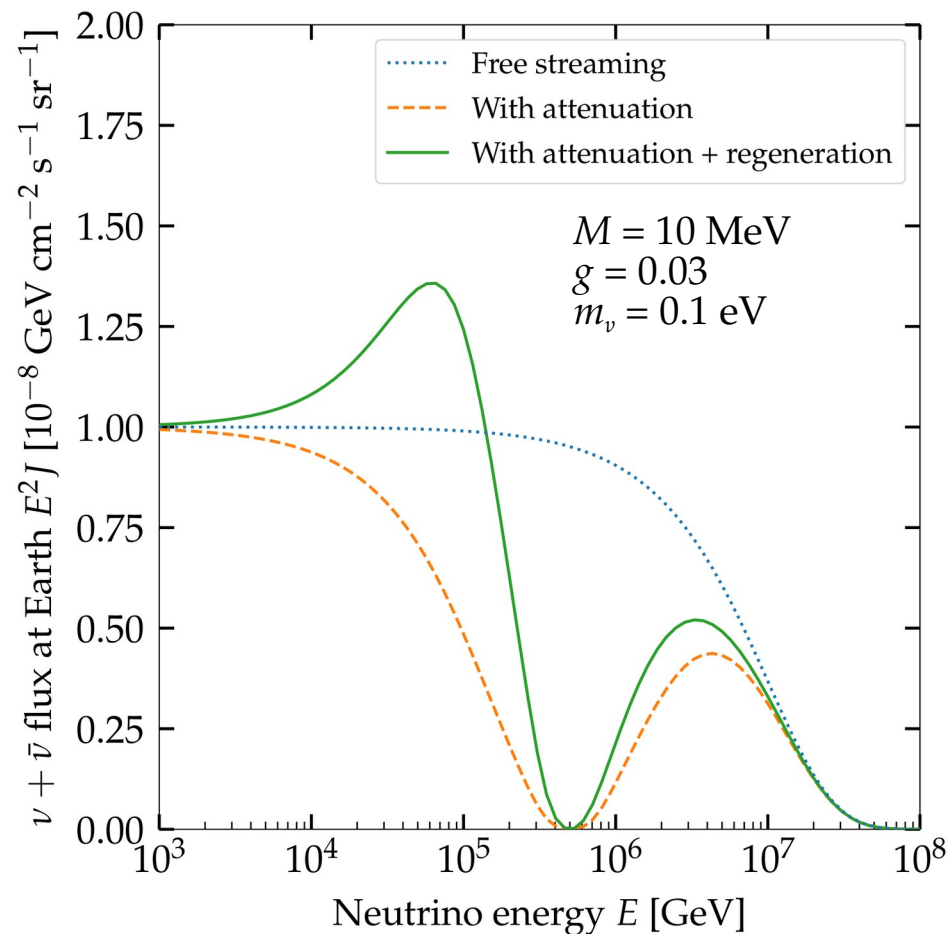
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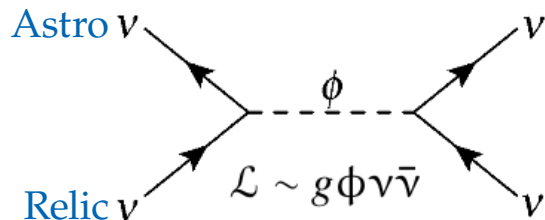
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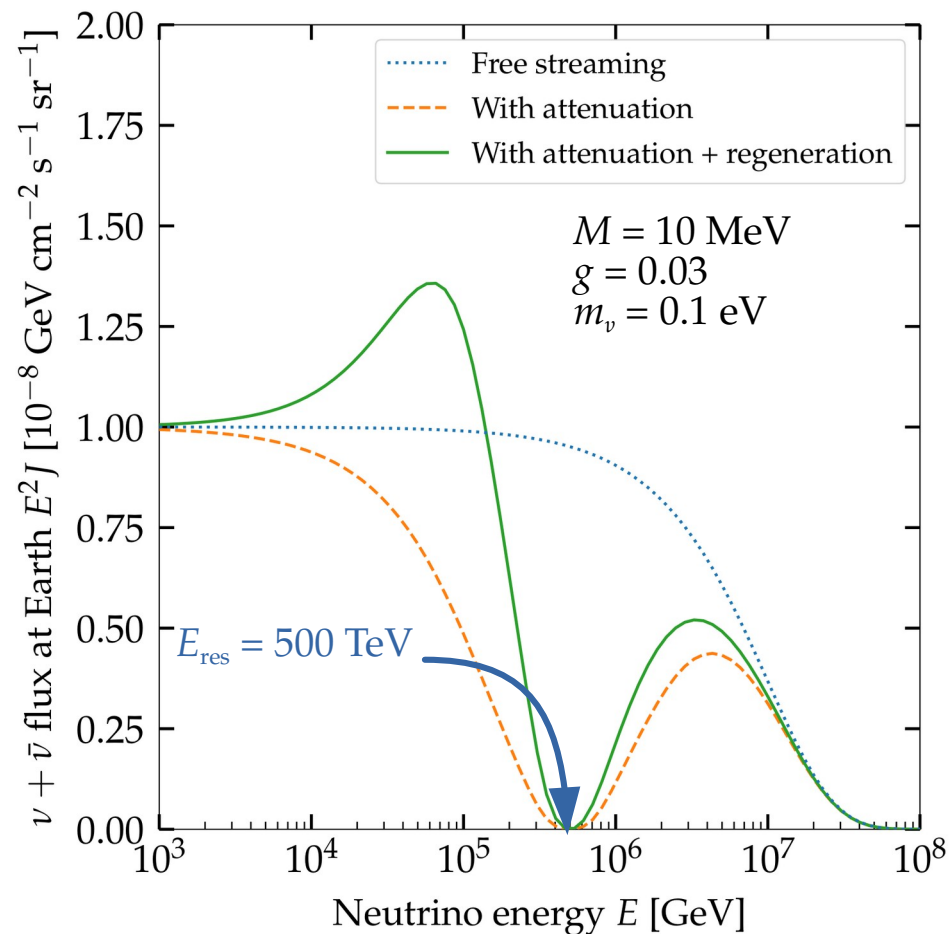
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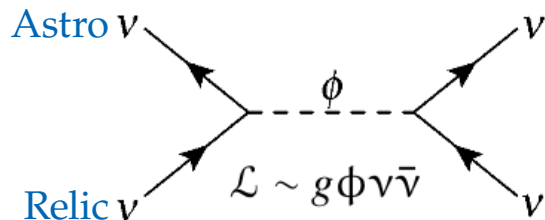
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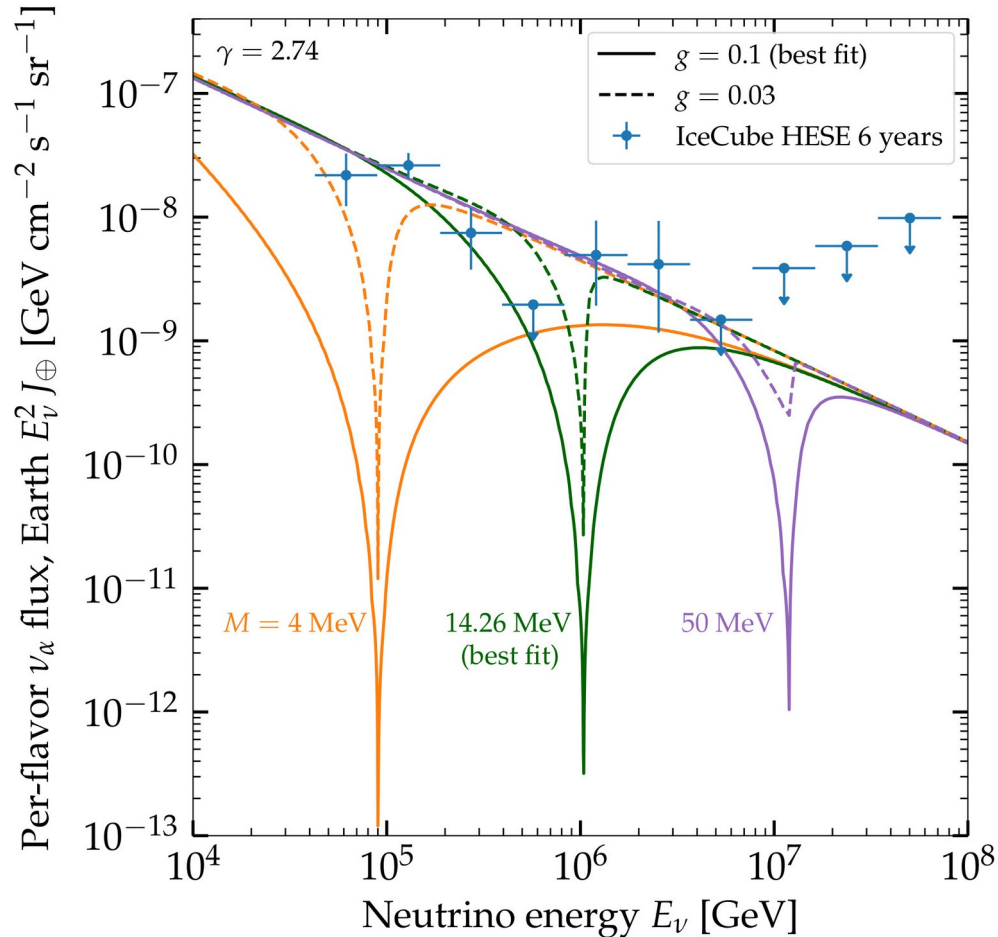
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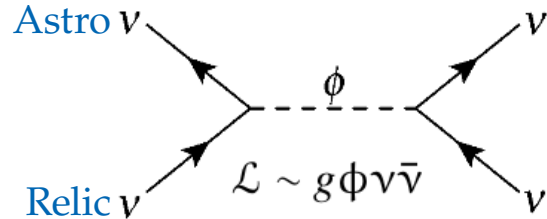
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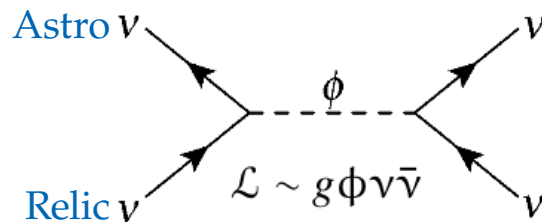
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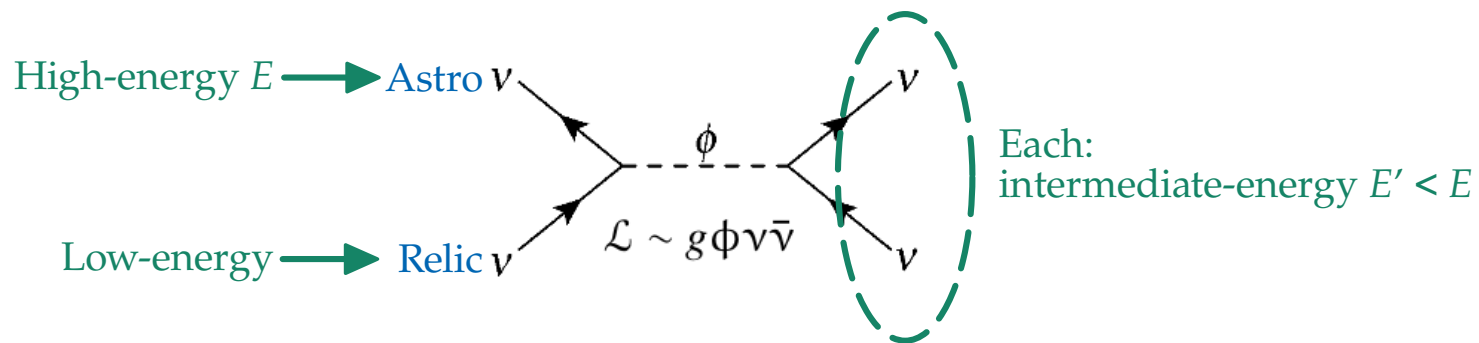
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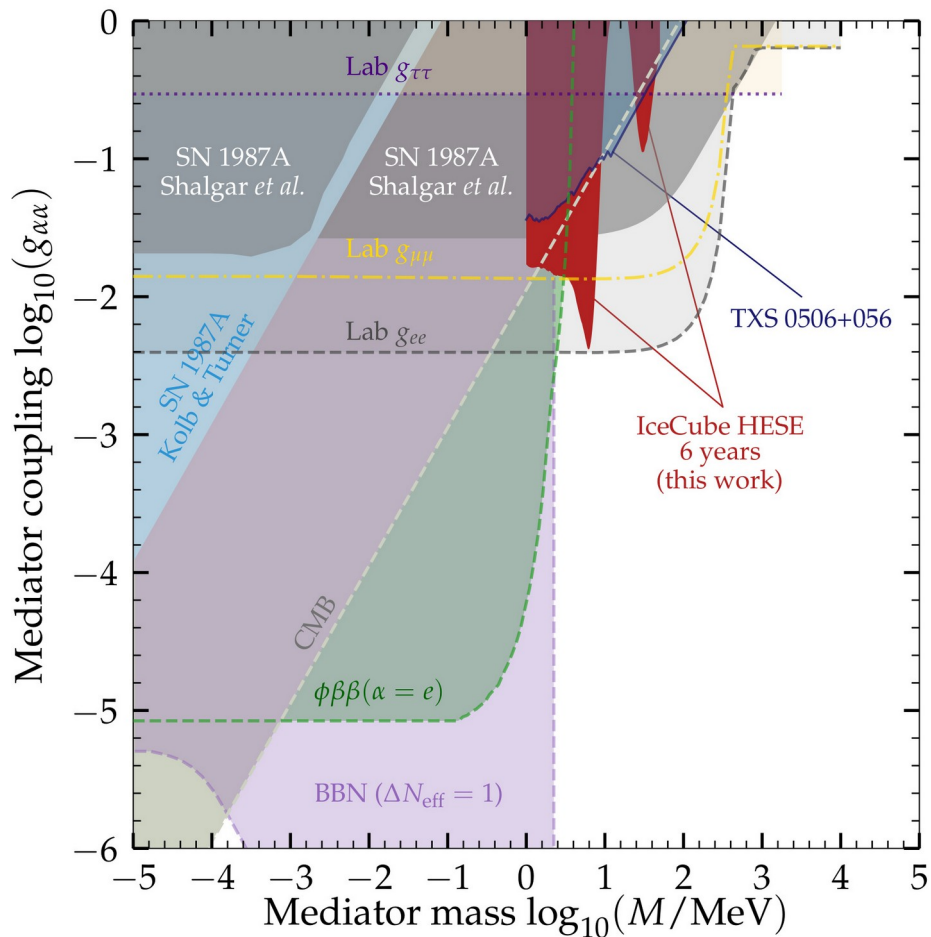
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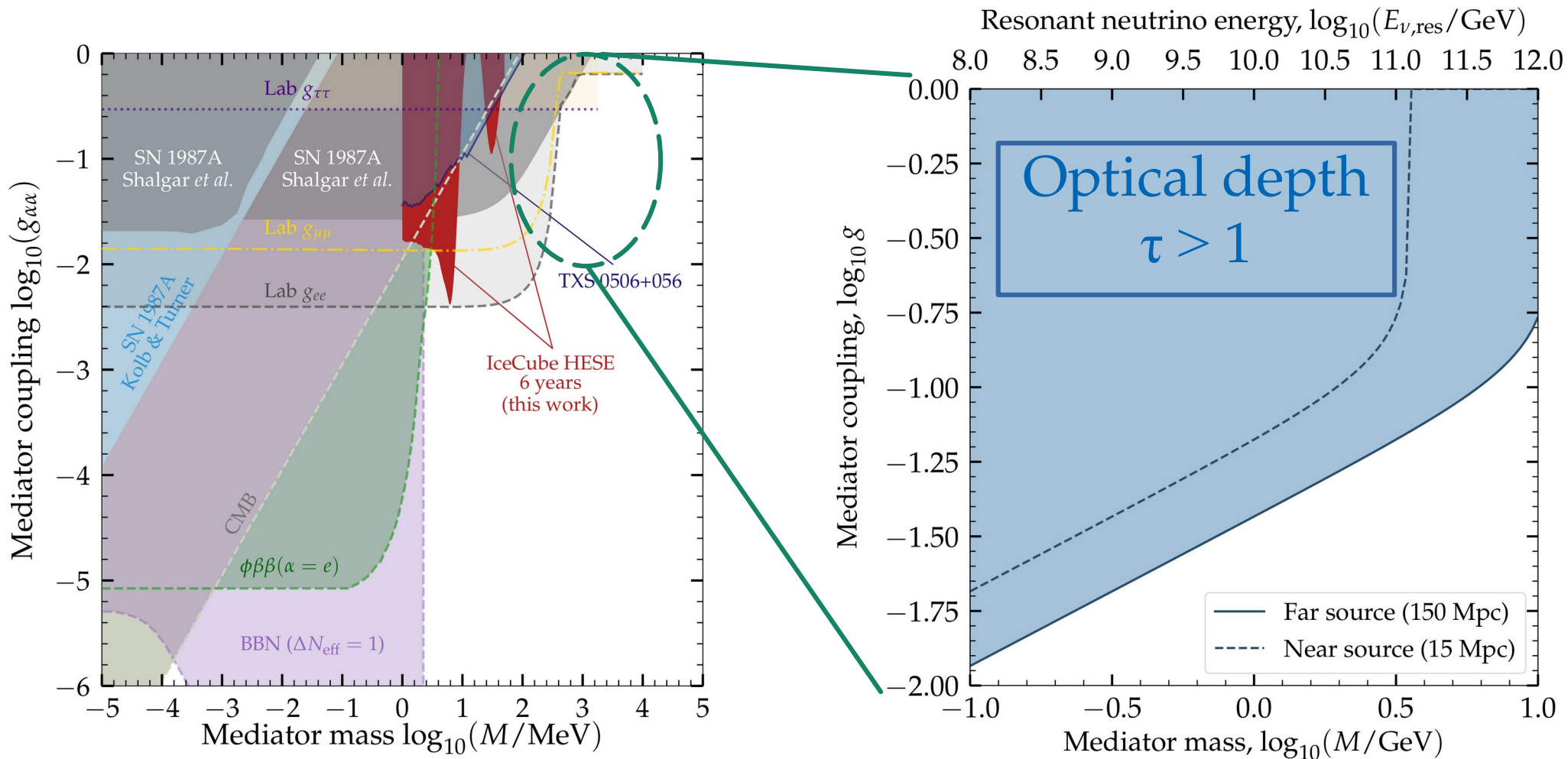
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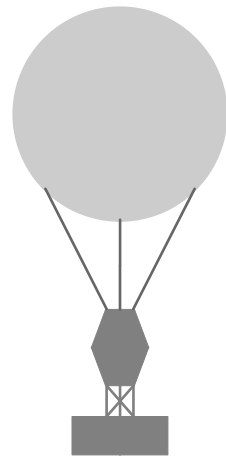


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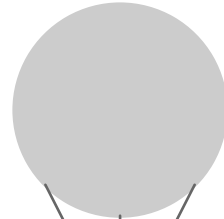


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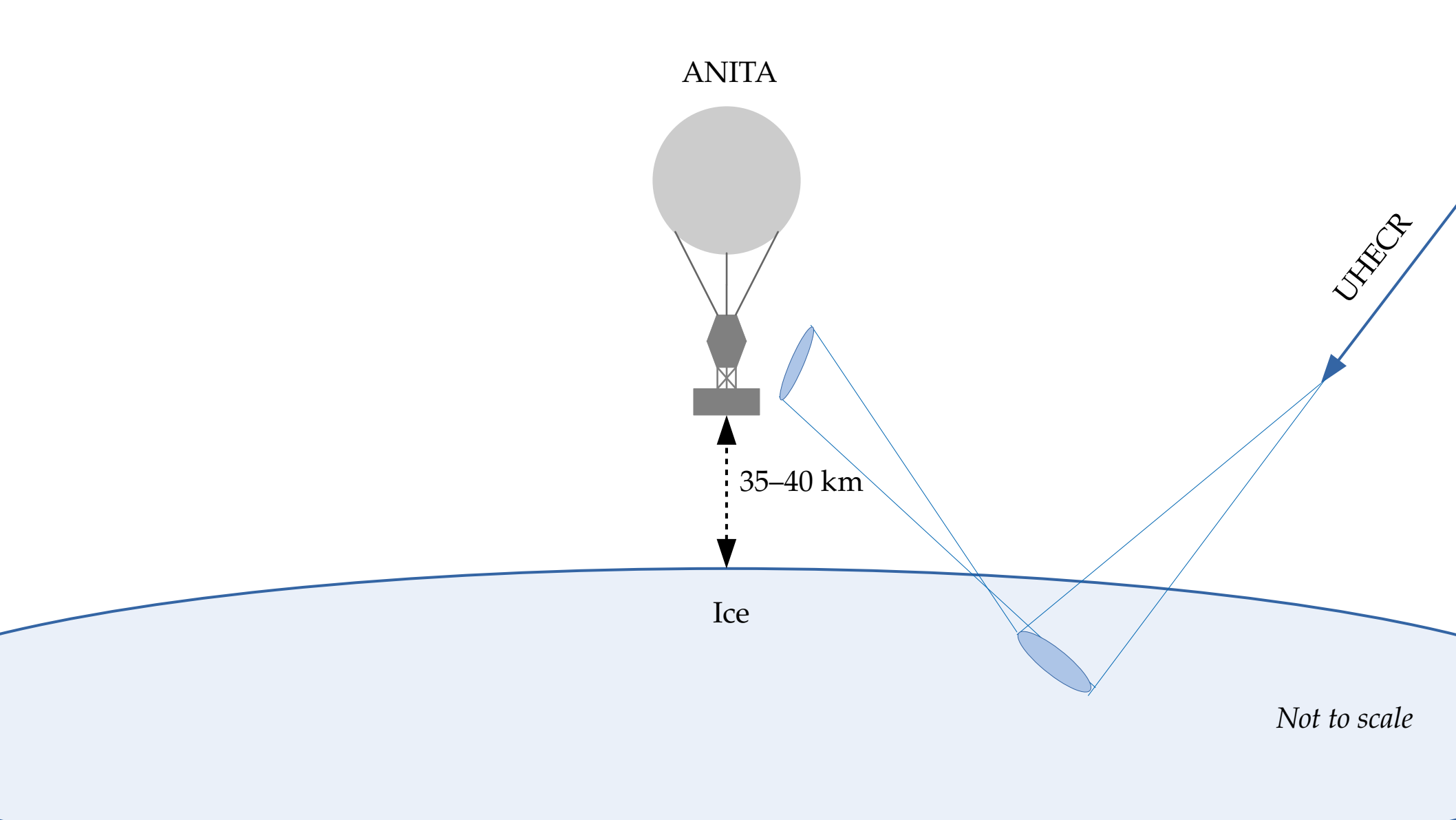
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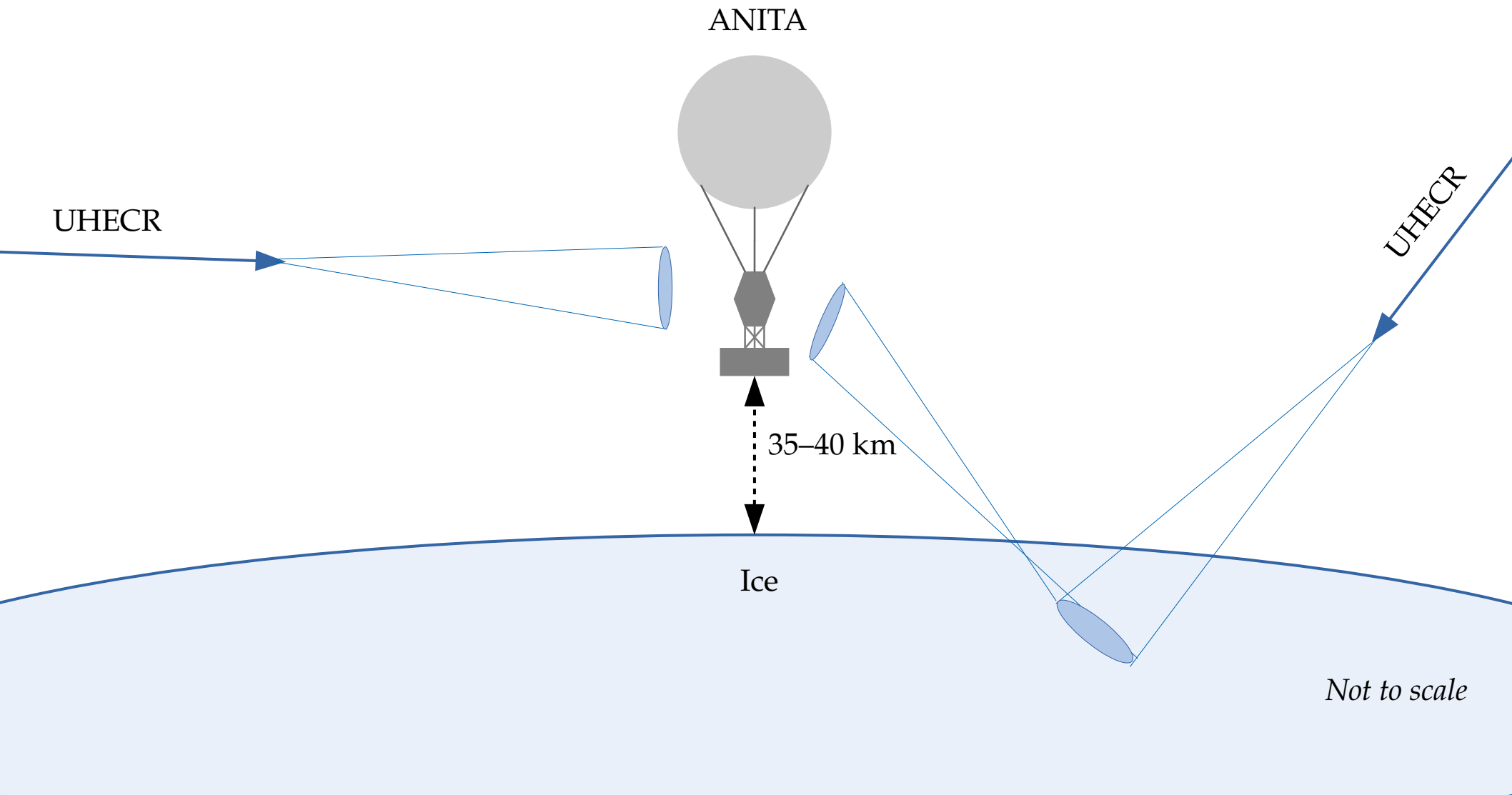
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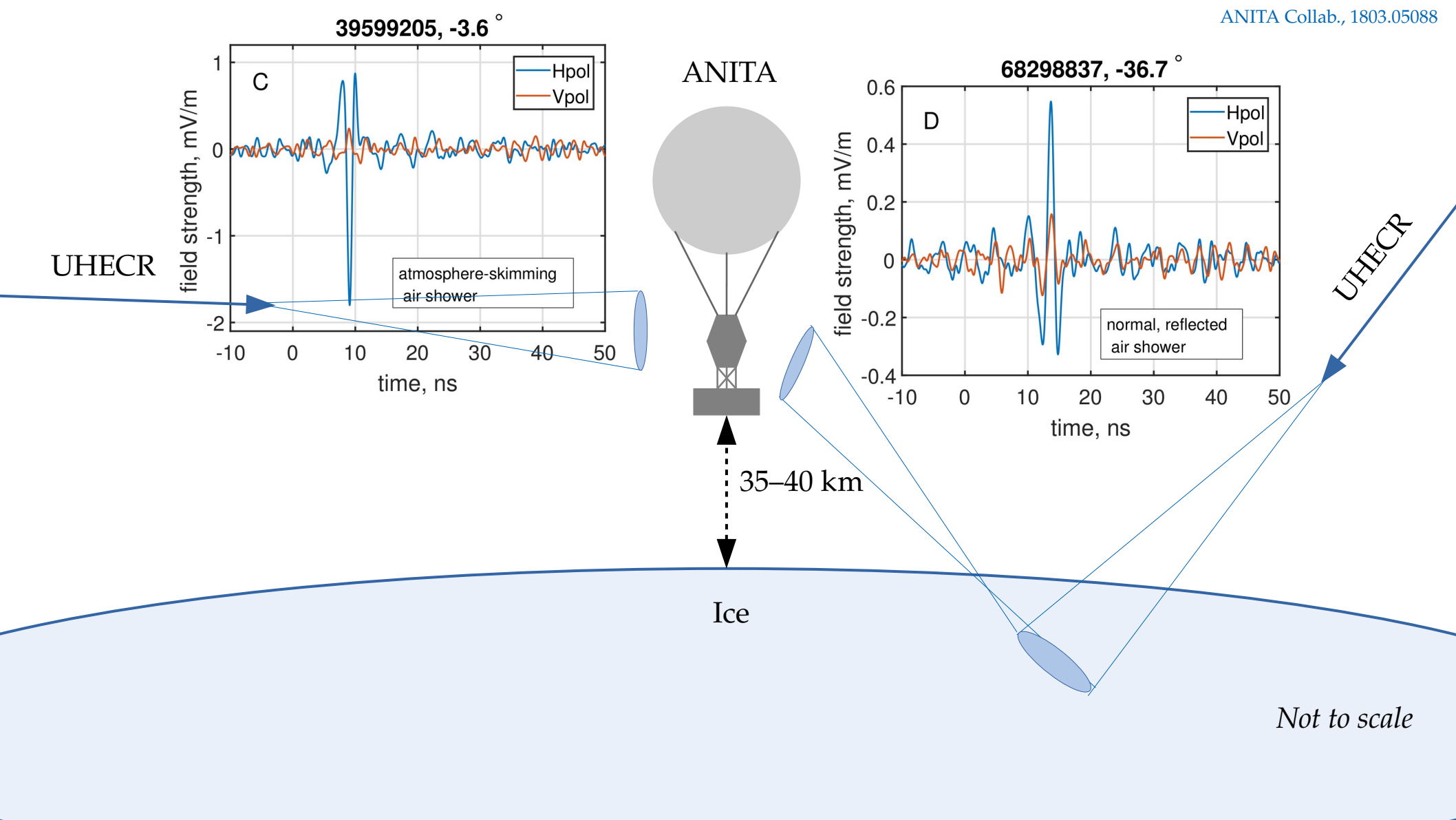


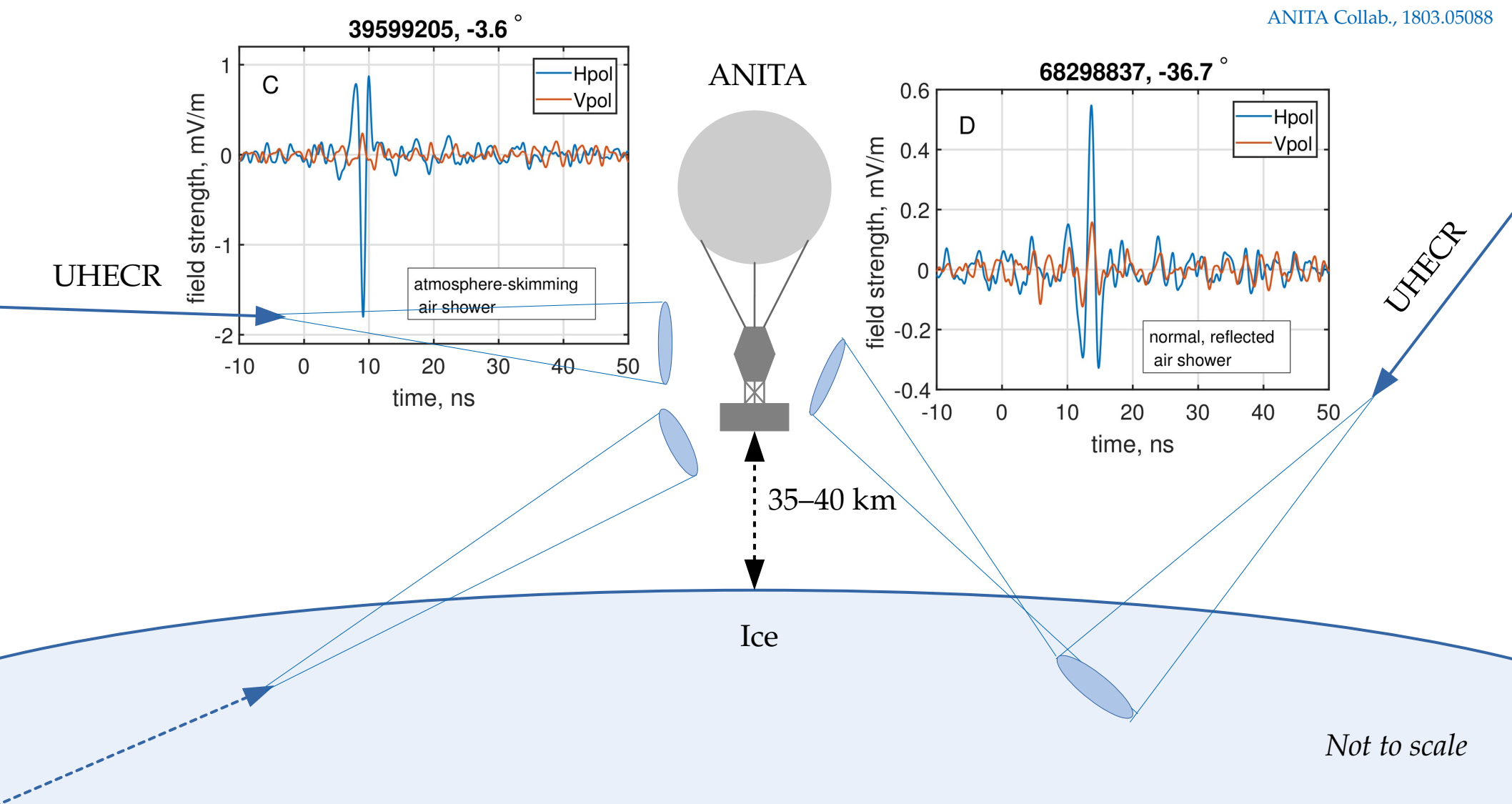
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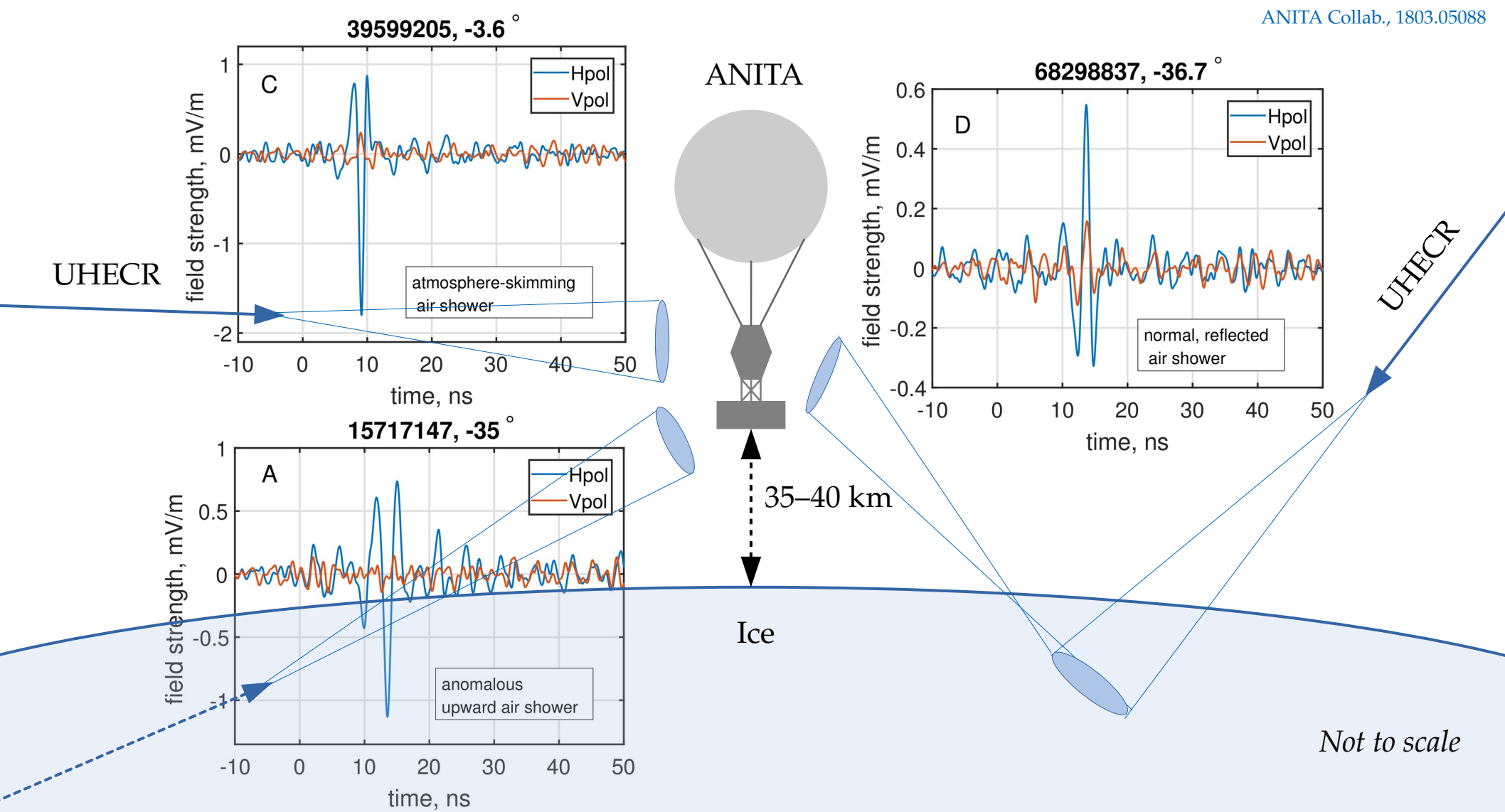
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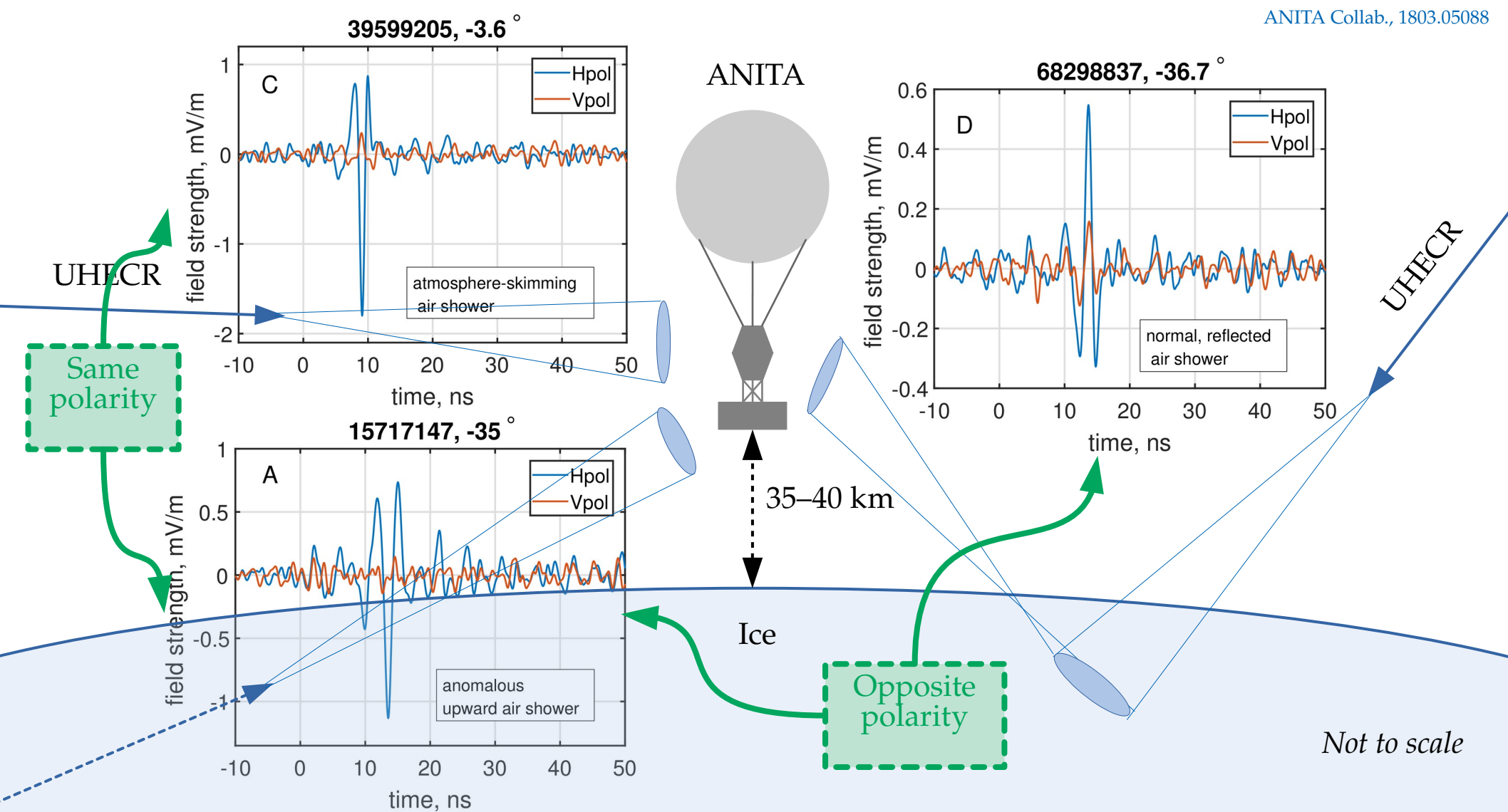


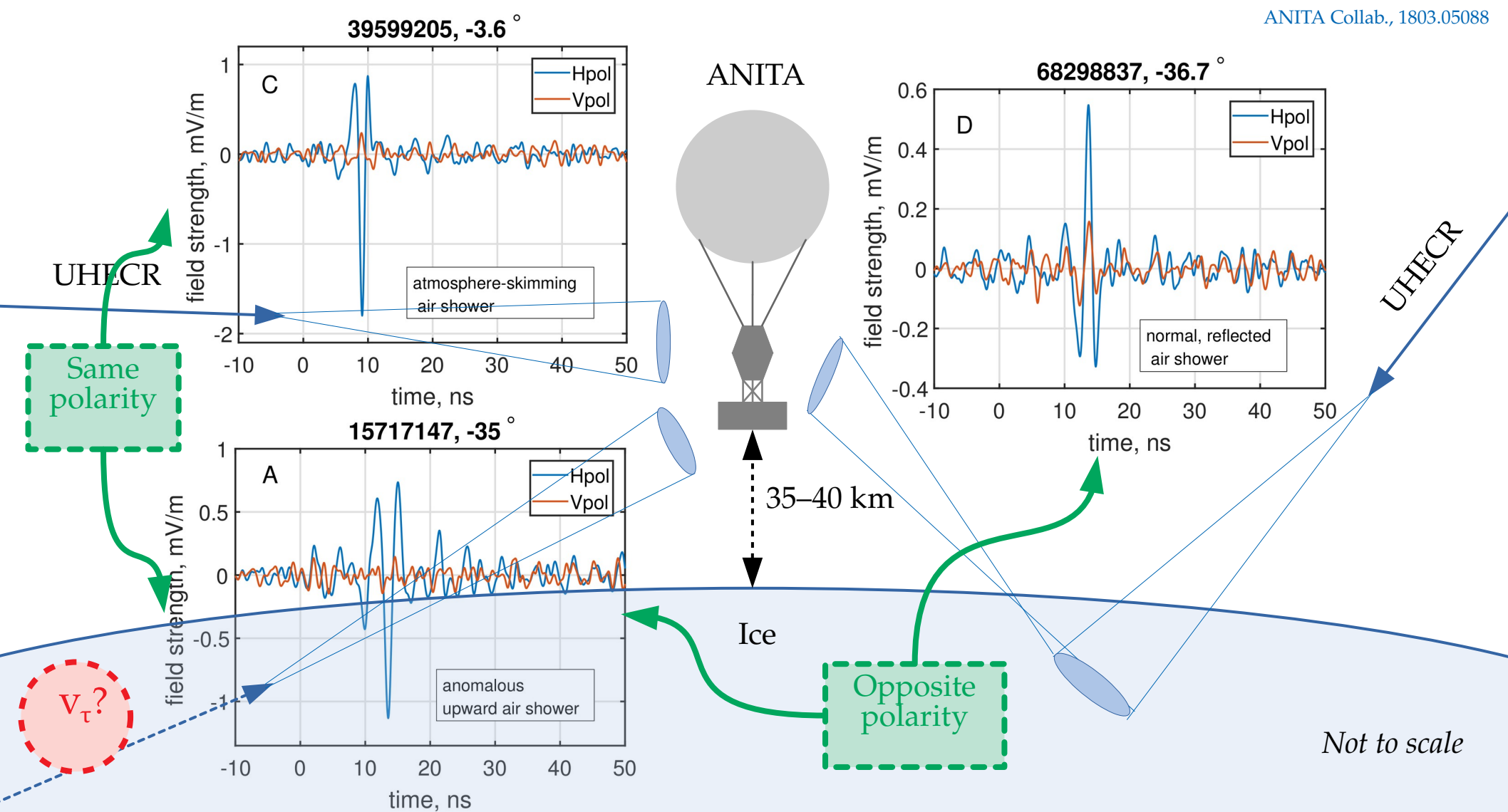












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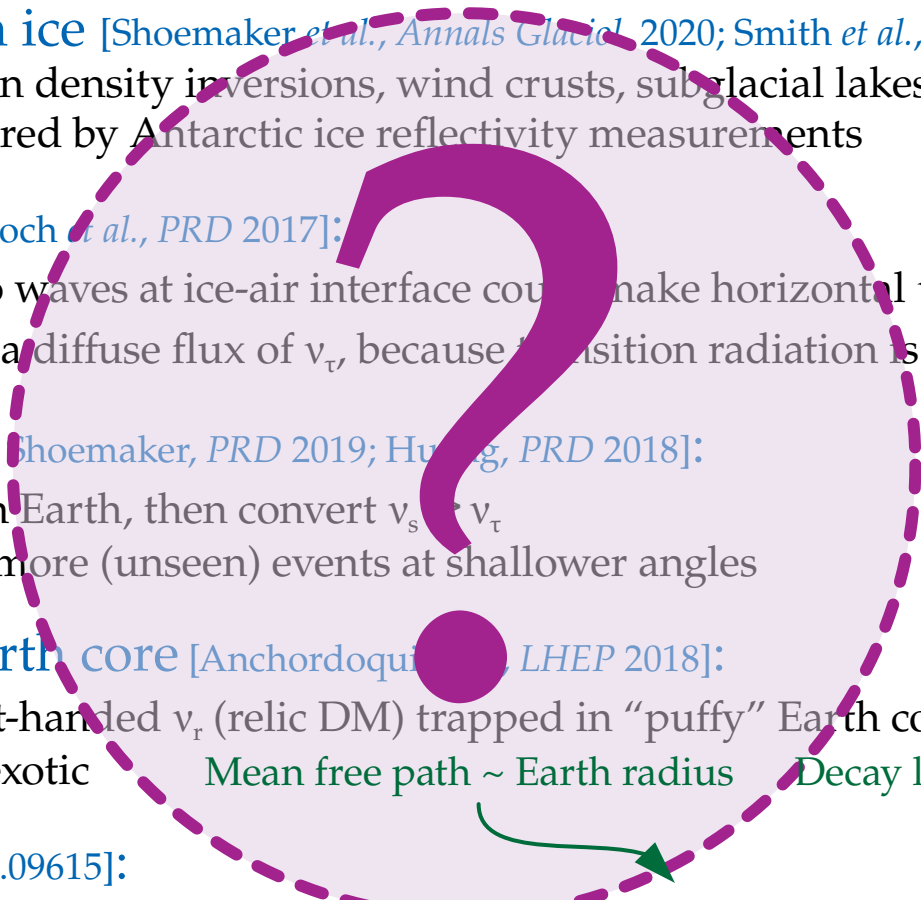
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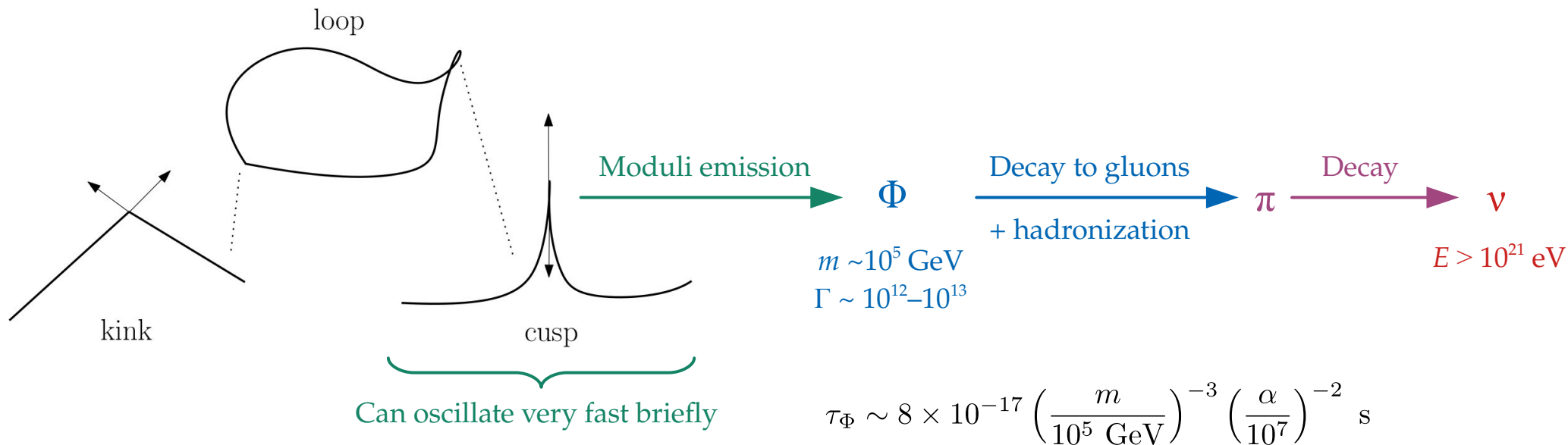
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III. Early-Universe relics

Neutrinos from cosmic strings

- ▶ **Cosmic strings:** 1D topological defects formed in an early-Universe phase transition
- ▶ Strings form loops – within them, kinks and cusps appear
- ▶ Strings may couple strongly to “moduli”, relatively light scalar fields
- ▶ Moduli have Lorentz boosts of $\Gamma \sim 10^{12} - 10^{13}$
- ▶ They decay into **neutrinos of $> 10^{21}$ eV \gg energies from astrophysical acceleration**



Neutrino horizon

Neutrino horizon (z_ν):

Maximum redshift from which a neutrino with observed energy E can arrive

$$\int_0^{z_\nu(E)} dz \frac{dt}{dz} \underbrace{\sigma_{\nu\nu}(E(1+z))}_{\text{CvB number density: } 56(1+z)^3 \text{ cm}^{-3}} n_\nu(z) = 1$$

$$\nu_i + \bar{\nu}_i \rightarrow q_\alpha + \bar{q}_\alpha$$

$$\nu_i + \bar{\nu}_i \rightarrow l + \bar{l}$$

$$\nu_i + \bar{\nu}_j \rightarrow \nu_i + \bar{\nu}_j$$

$$z_\nu \sim 2.5 \times 10^2 \left(\frac{E}{10^{11} \text{ GeV}} \right)^{-2/5} \leftarrow \text{Matter-dominated epoch}$$

Neutrino flux at Earth

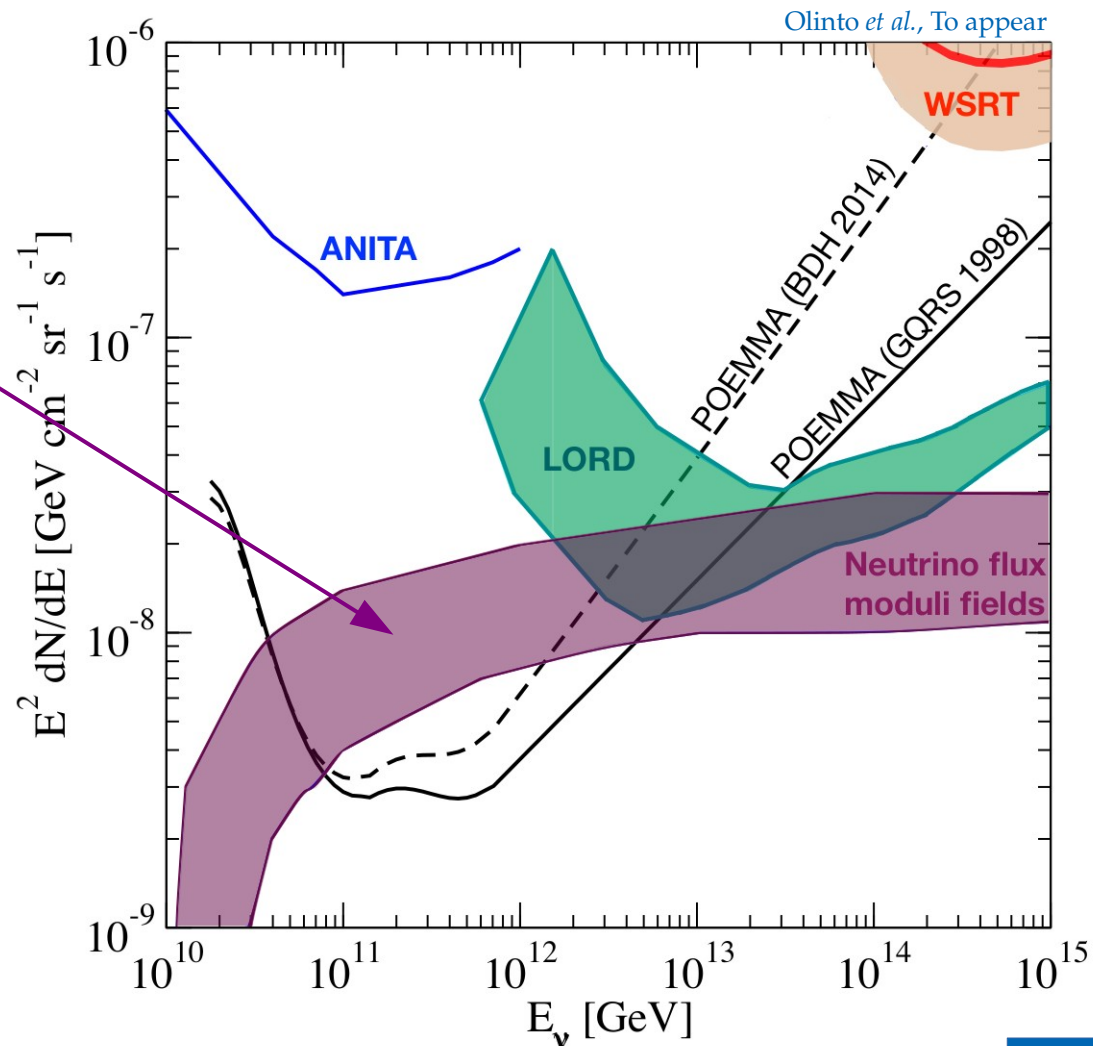
► Diffuse flux depends on:

- Number density of string loops vs. z
- Moduli mass, m
- Moduli coupling strength to SM, α

Gouttenoire, Servant, Simakachorn, *JCAP* 2020

► LORD: Lunar Orbital Radio Detector

Ryabov, Chechin, Gusev, Maung, *Adv. Space Res.* 2016



IV. The future

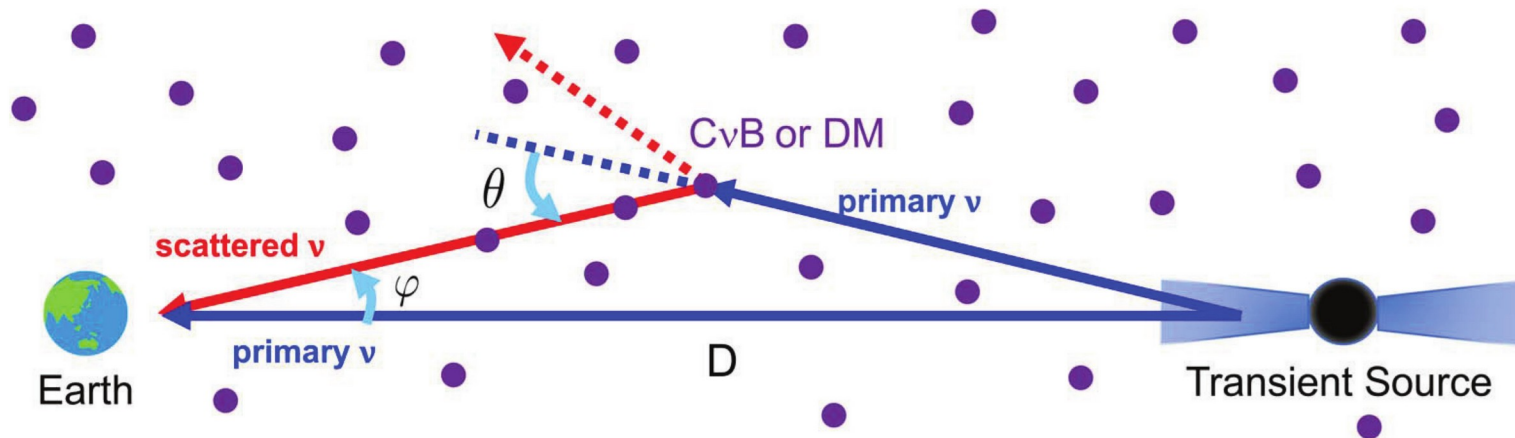
What's next?

- ▶ Need detailed studies of POEMMA sensitivity to ν SI, ANITA-like events, neutrinos from cosmic strings
- ▶ Did not discuss measurement of pp cross section at $s^{1/2} \sim 300$ TeV
- ▶ Differences in arrival times between neutrino and gamma-ray flares?
 - ▶ Lorentz-invariance violation, ν SI delays
- ▶ For the future: what can we do with POEMMA360?
 - ▶ BSM in the energy spectrum of cosmogenic neutrinos
 - ▶ BSM in the arrival directions of cosmogenic neutrinos
 - ▶ BSM in neutrino flavor composition?

Backup slides

Delays from secret interactions

Multiple secret $\nu\nu$ scatterings may delay the arrival of neutrinos from a transient



Shoemaker & Murase, *PRL* 2019

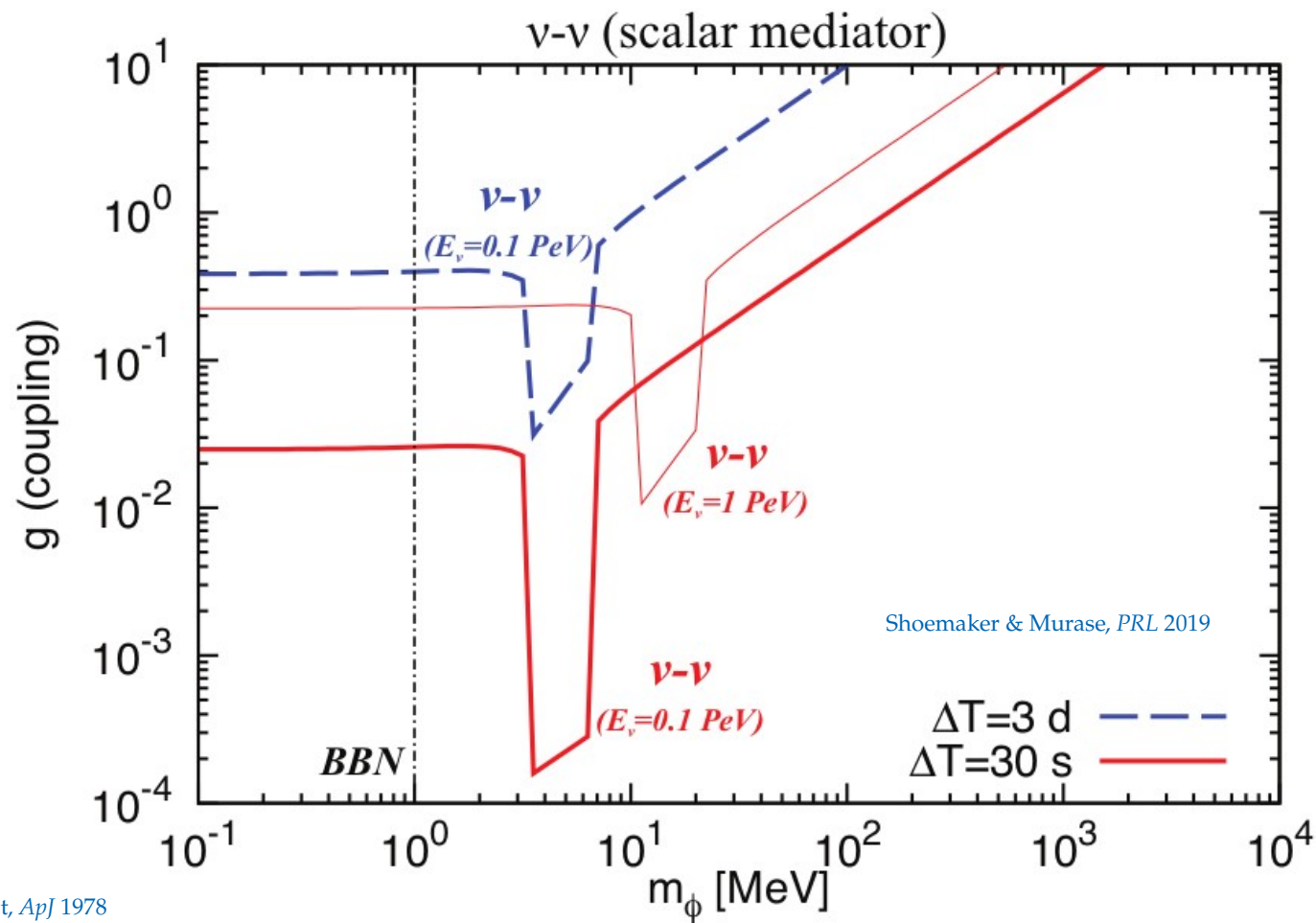
Characteristic time delay —

Optical depth to $\nu\nu$: $\tau_{\nu\nu} = n_{\nu} \sigma_{\nu\nu} D$

$$\Delta t \approx 1500 \text{ s} \left(\frac{\tau_{\nu\nu}}{30} \right) \left(\frac{D}{3 \text{ Gpc}} \right) \left(\frac{m_{\nu}}{0.1 \text{ eV}} \right) \left(\frac{0.1 \text{ PeV}}{E_{\nu}} \right)$$

See also: Alcock & Hatchett, *ApJ* 1978

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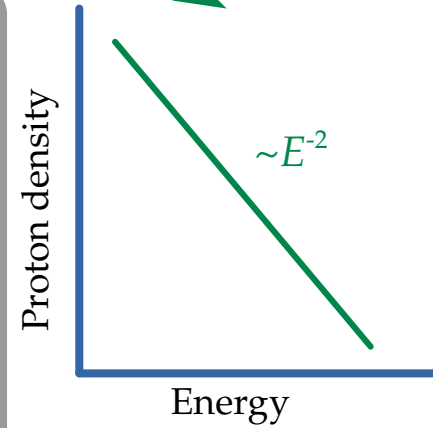
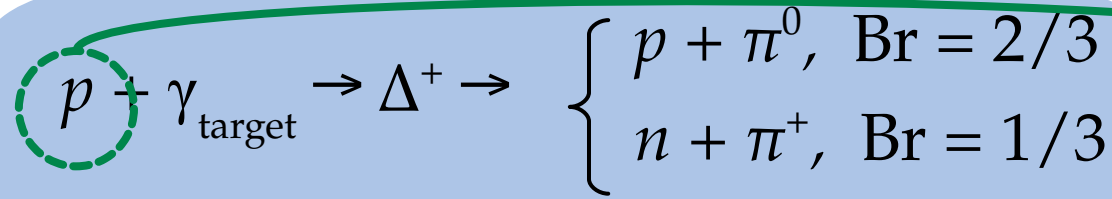


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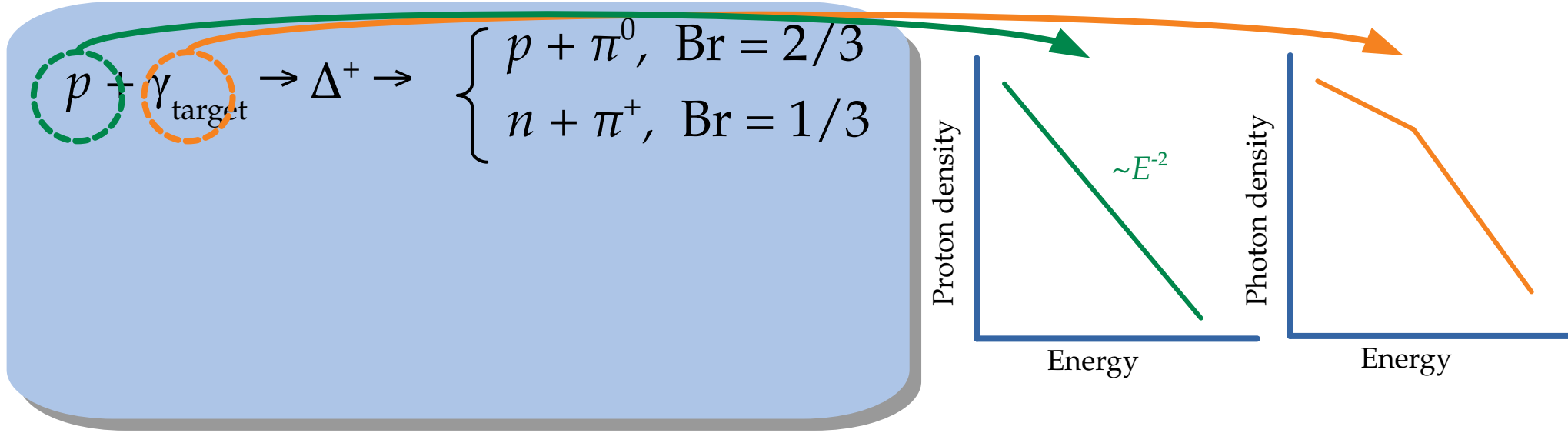
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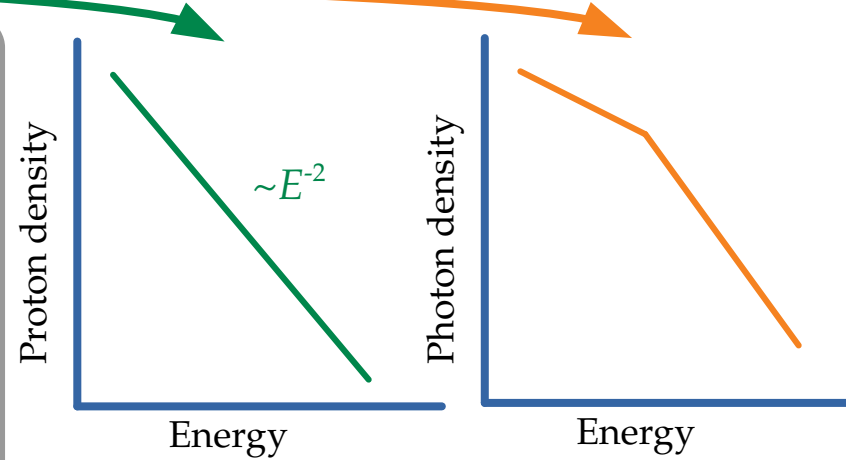
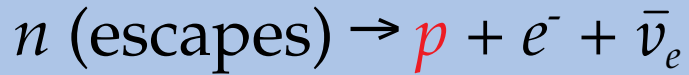
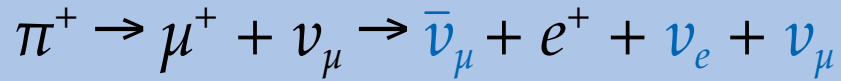
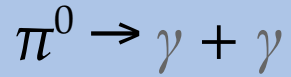
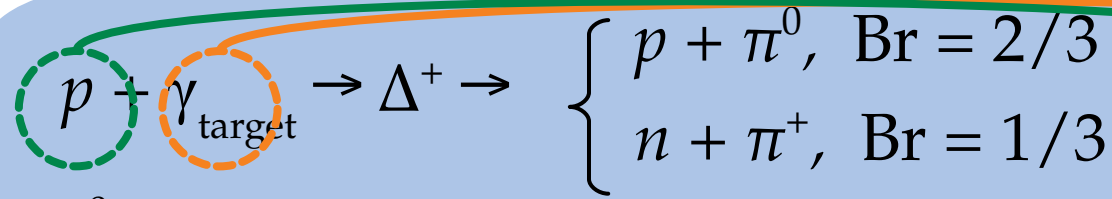
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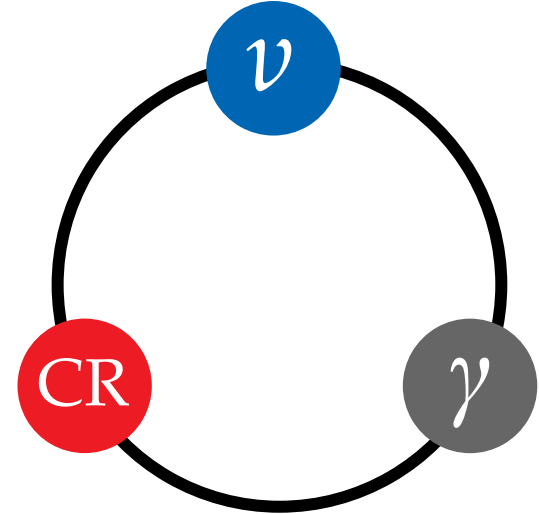
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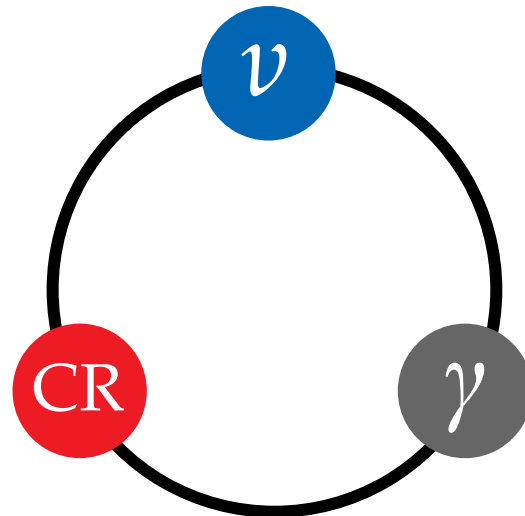
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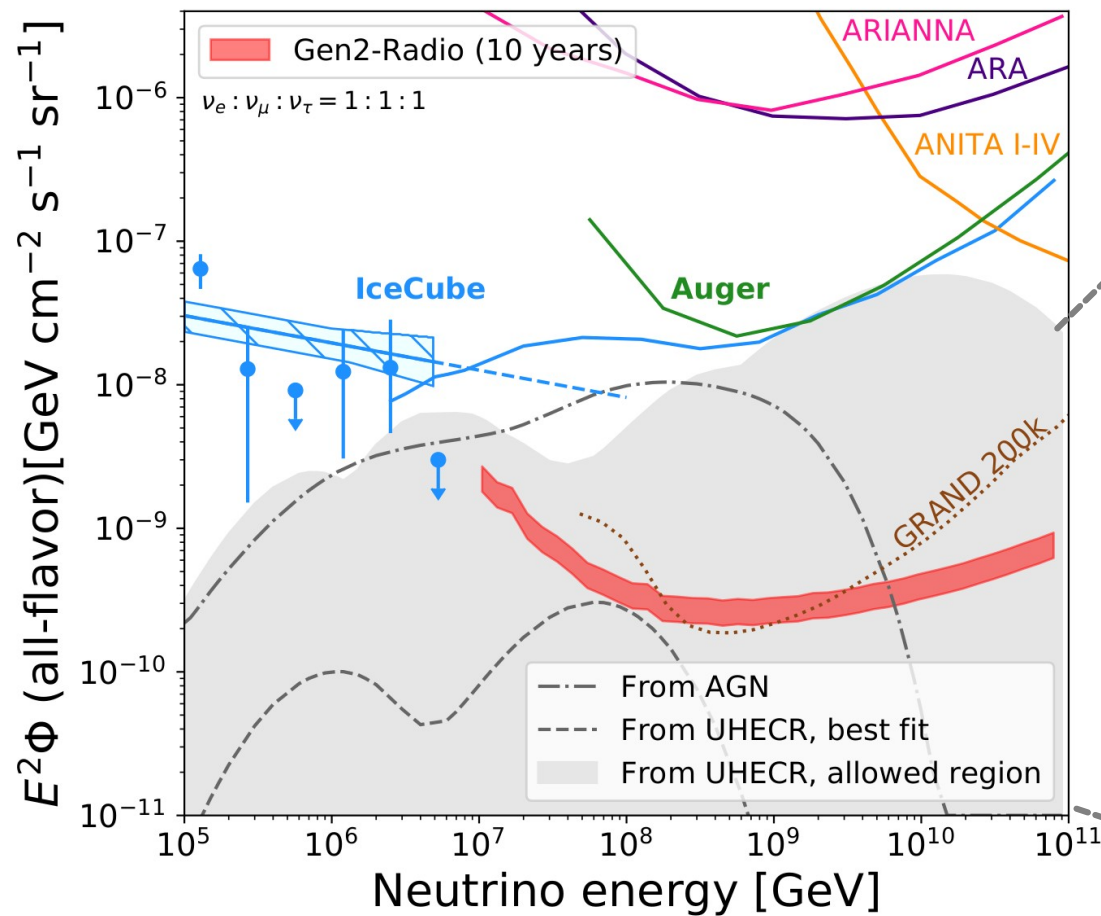
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Higher ν flux

These are all
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known

Lower ν flux

Higher

Maximum CR energy at sources

Lower

Harder

UHECR spectral index

Softer

Many far

Source number density

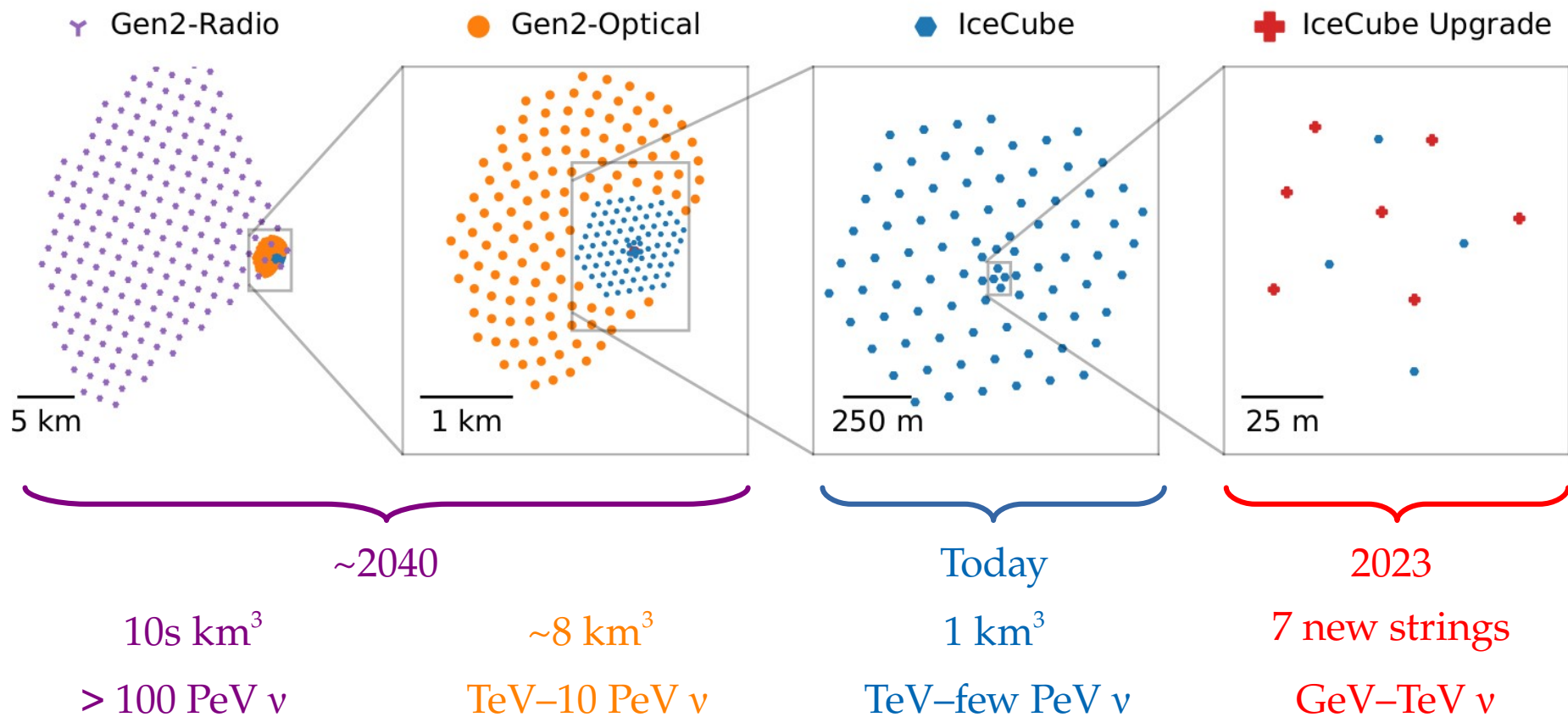
Many near

Lighter

UHECR mass composition

Heavier

IceCube-Gen2



The Universe is opaque to UHECRs

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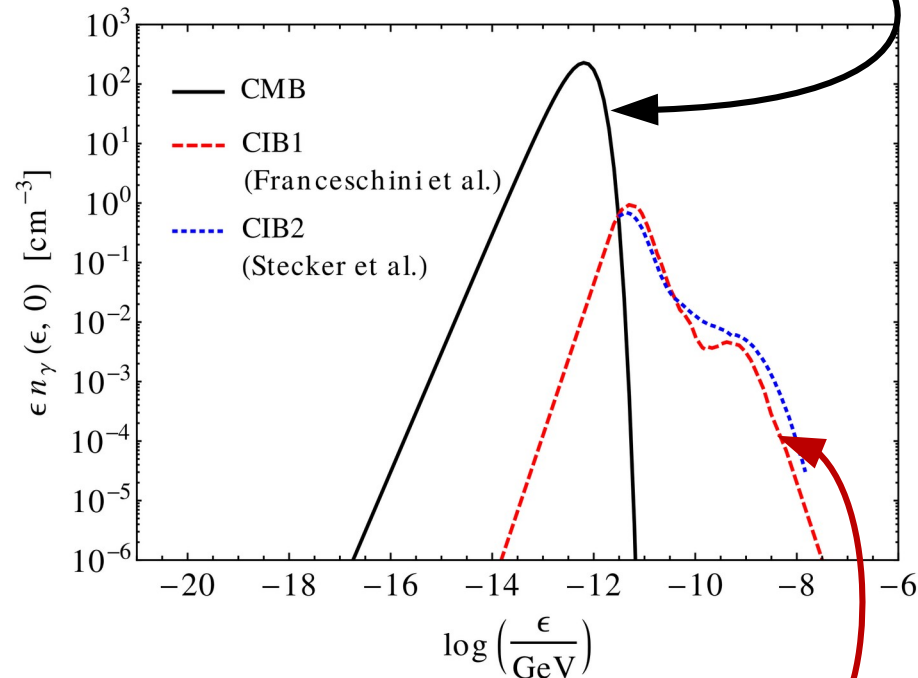
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Target photon spectra (at $z = 0$):

CMB: Microwave (black body, $\langle \epsilon \rangle \sim 0.66 \text{ meV}$)



CIB: optical (stars) + infrared (dust reemission)

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Energy-loss scale:

$$\begin{aligned} L &= (E/\Delta E)(n_\gamma \langle \sigma \rangle_{p\gamma})^{-1} \\ &\approx (1/0.2) \times 4 \text{ Mpc} \\ &\approx 20 \text{ Mpc} \end{aligned}$$

A more detailed calculation yields

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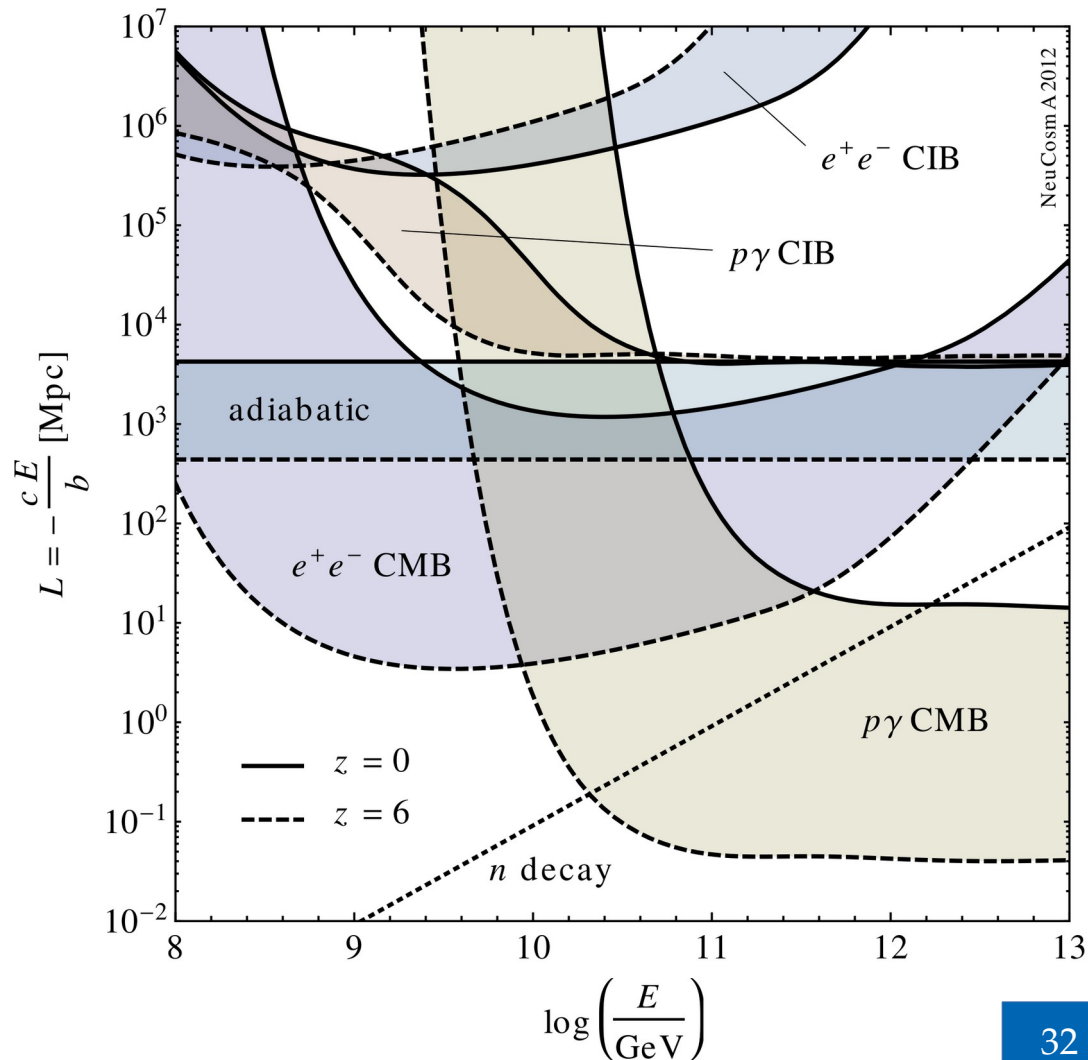
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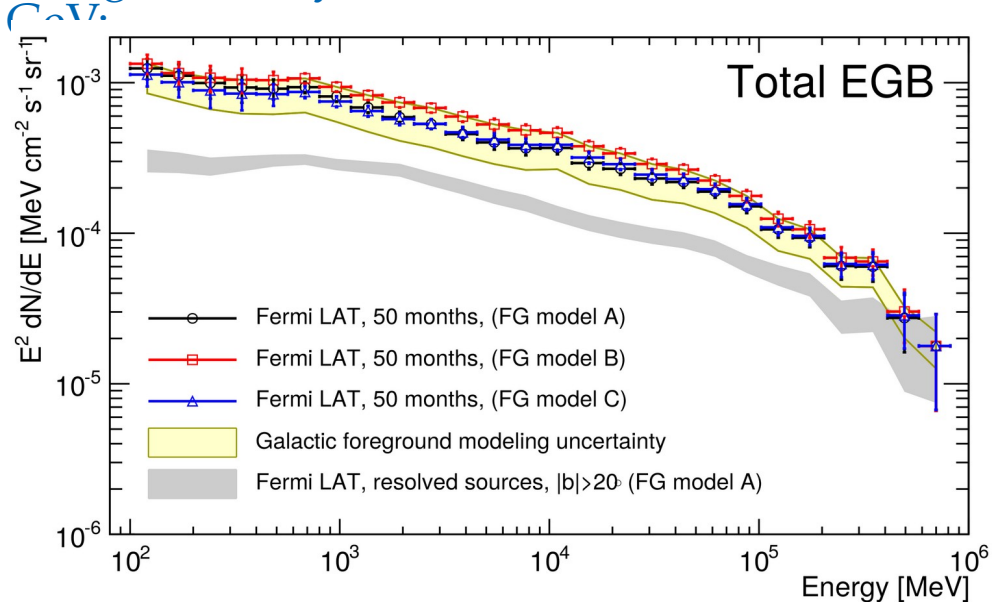
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$$\gamma_{\text{astro}} + \gamma_{\text{cosmo}} \rightarrow e^- + e^+$$

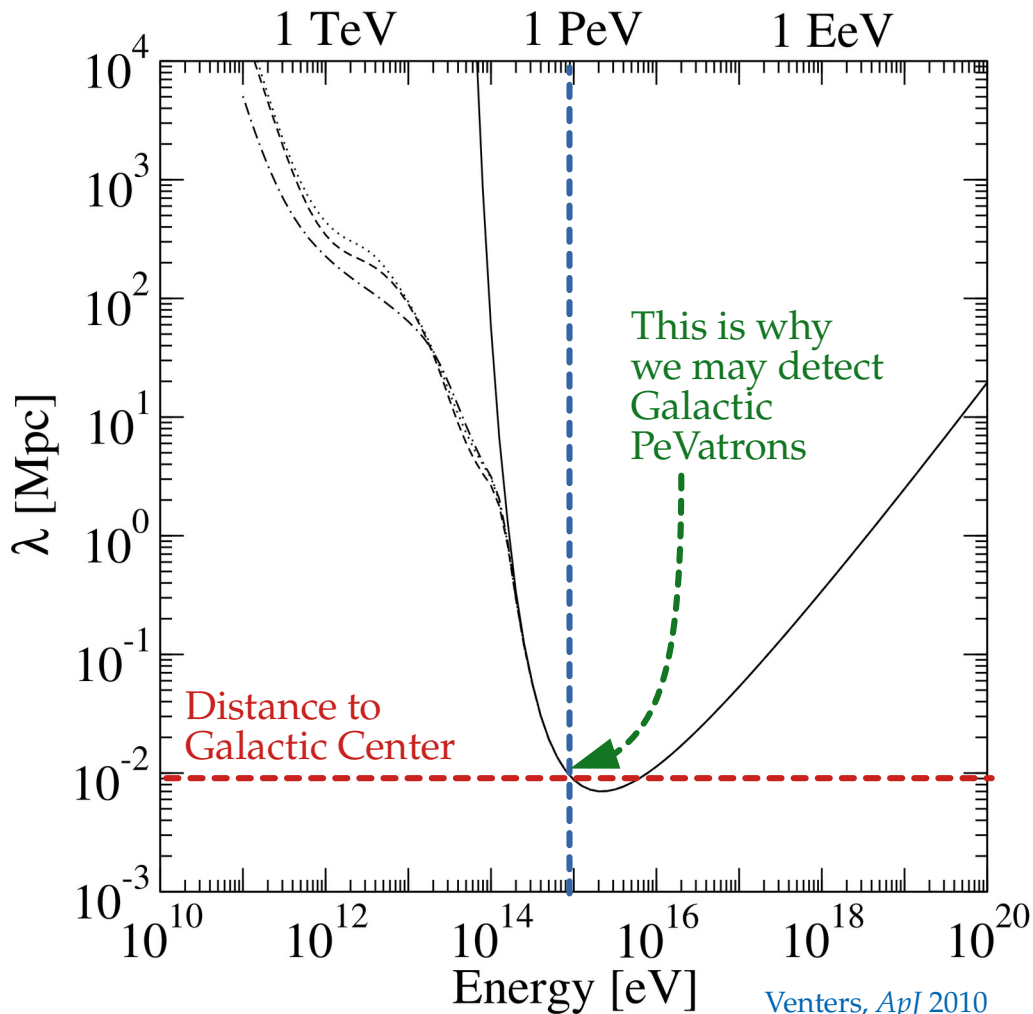
Inverse Compton scattering:

$$e^\pm + \gamma_{\text{cosmo}} \rightarrow e^\pm + \gamma$$

PeV gamma rays cascade down to MeV–



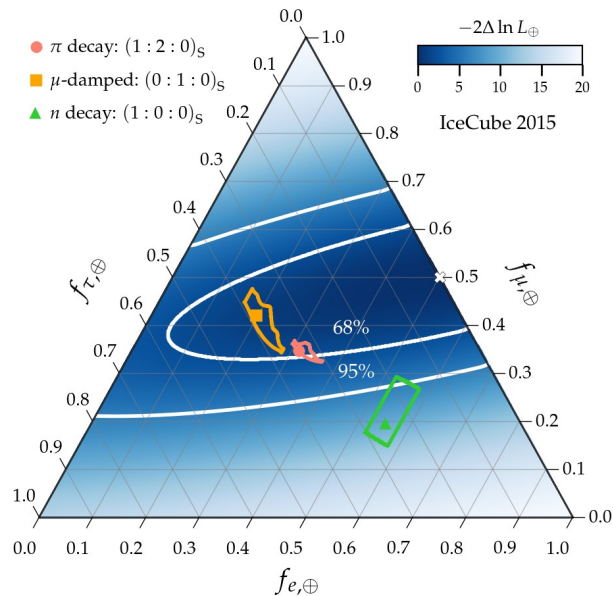
Fermi-LAT, ApJ 2015



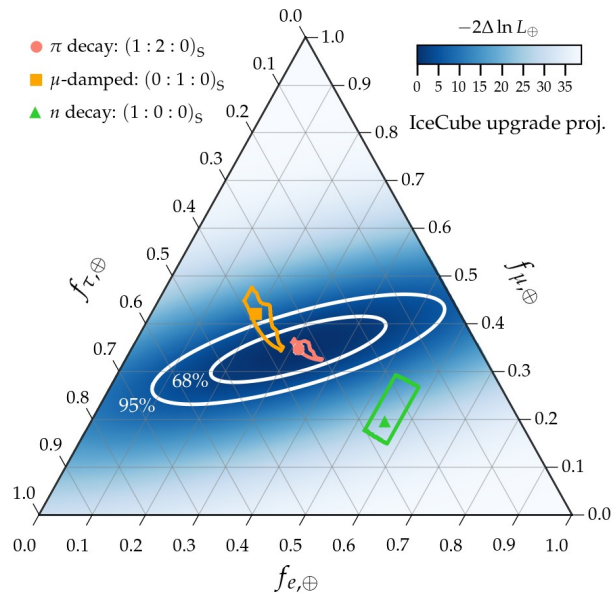
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IceCube flavor composition

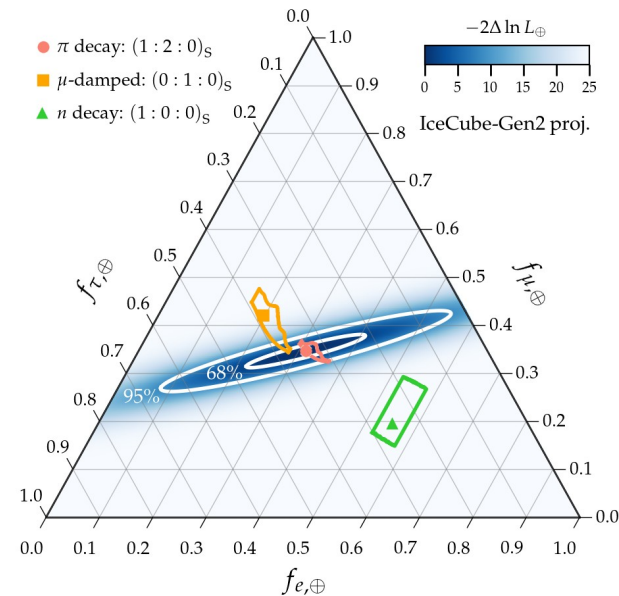
Today
IceCube



Near future (2022)
IceCube upgrade



In 10 years (2030s)
IceCube-Gen2



- ▶ Best fit:
 $(f_e : f_{\mu} : f_{\tau})_{\oplus} = (0.49 : 0.51 : 0)_{\oplus}$
- ▶ Compatible with standard source compositions
- ▶ Hints of one ν_{τ} (not shown)

Assuming production by the full pion decay chain

Plus possibly better flavor-tagging, *e.g.*, muon and neutron echoes
[Li, MB, Beacom PRL 2019]

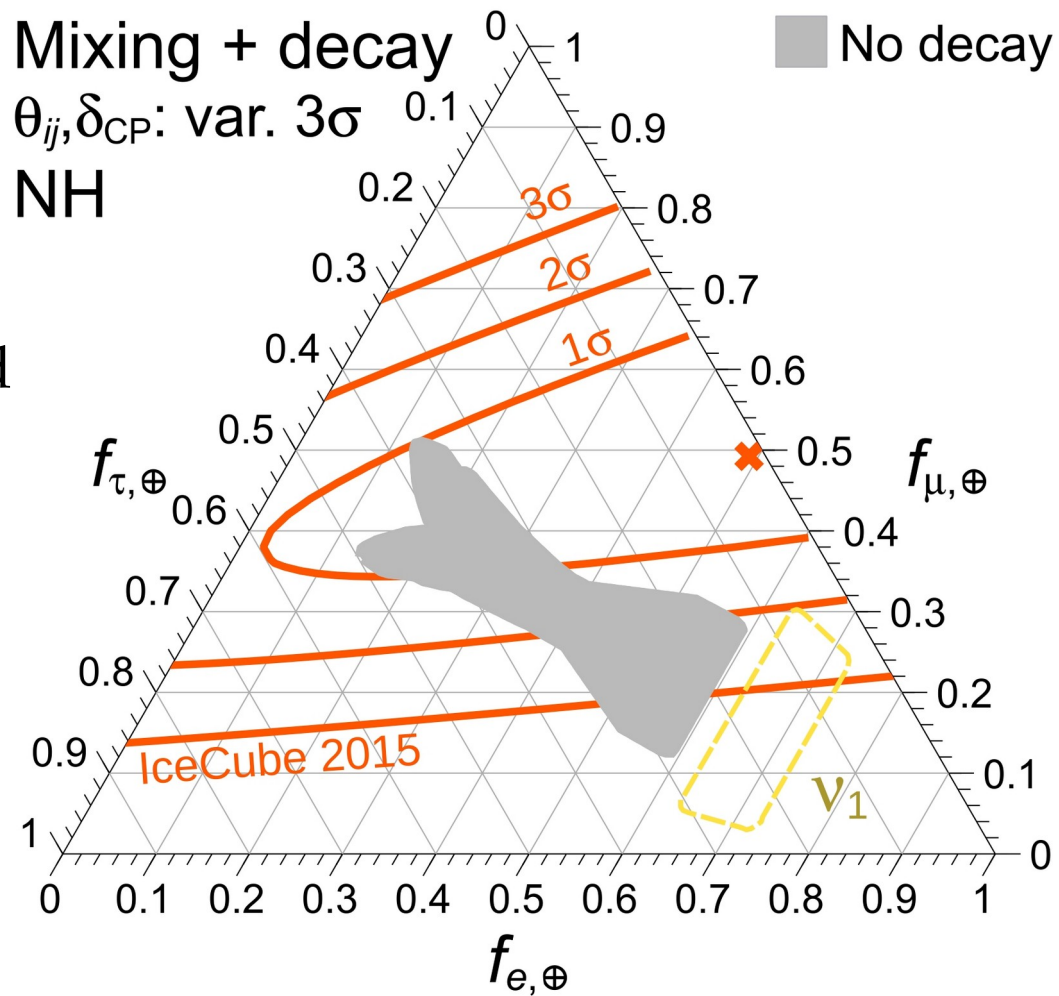
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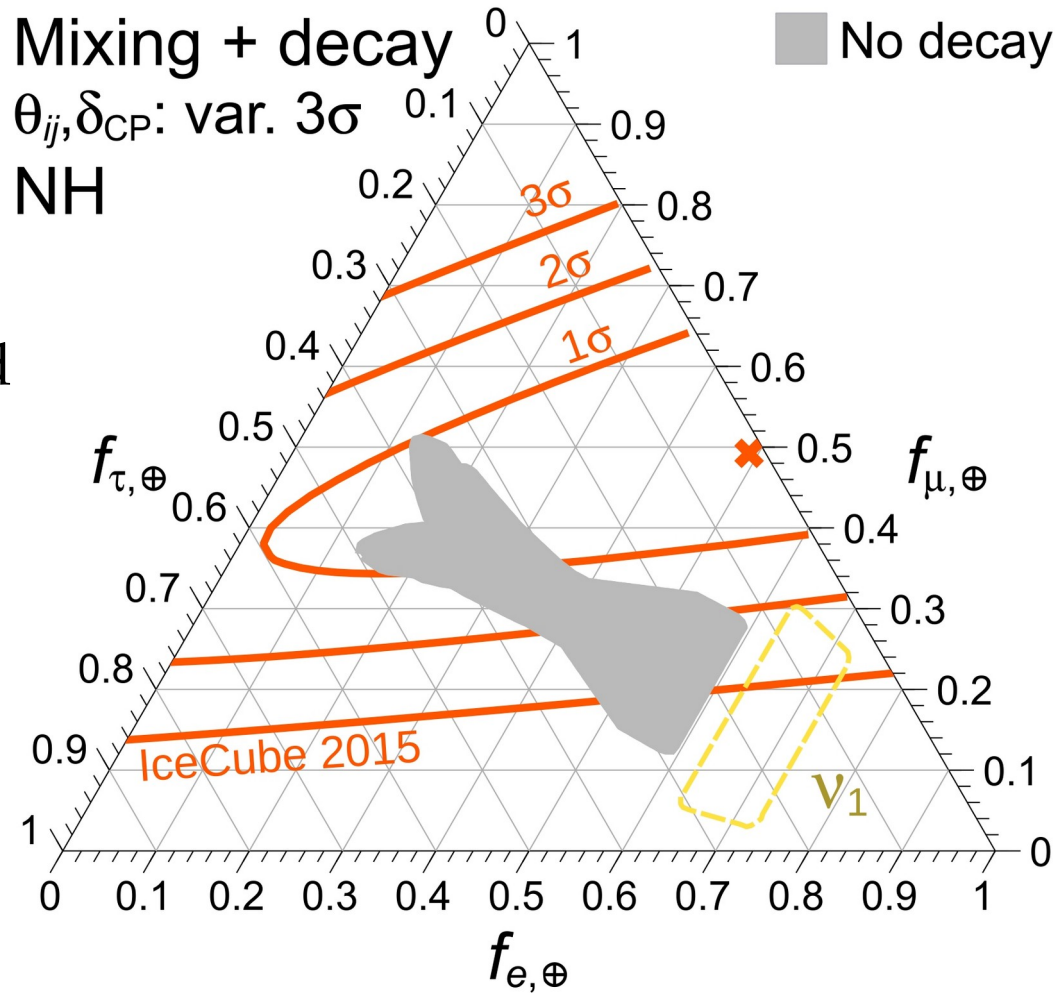


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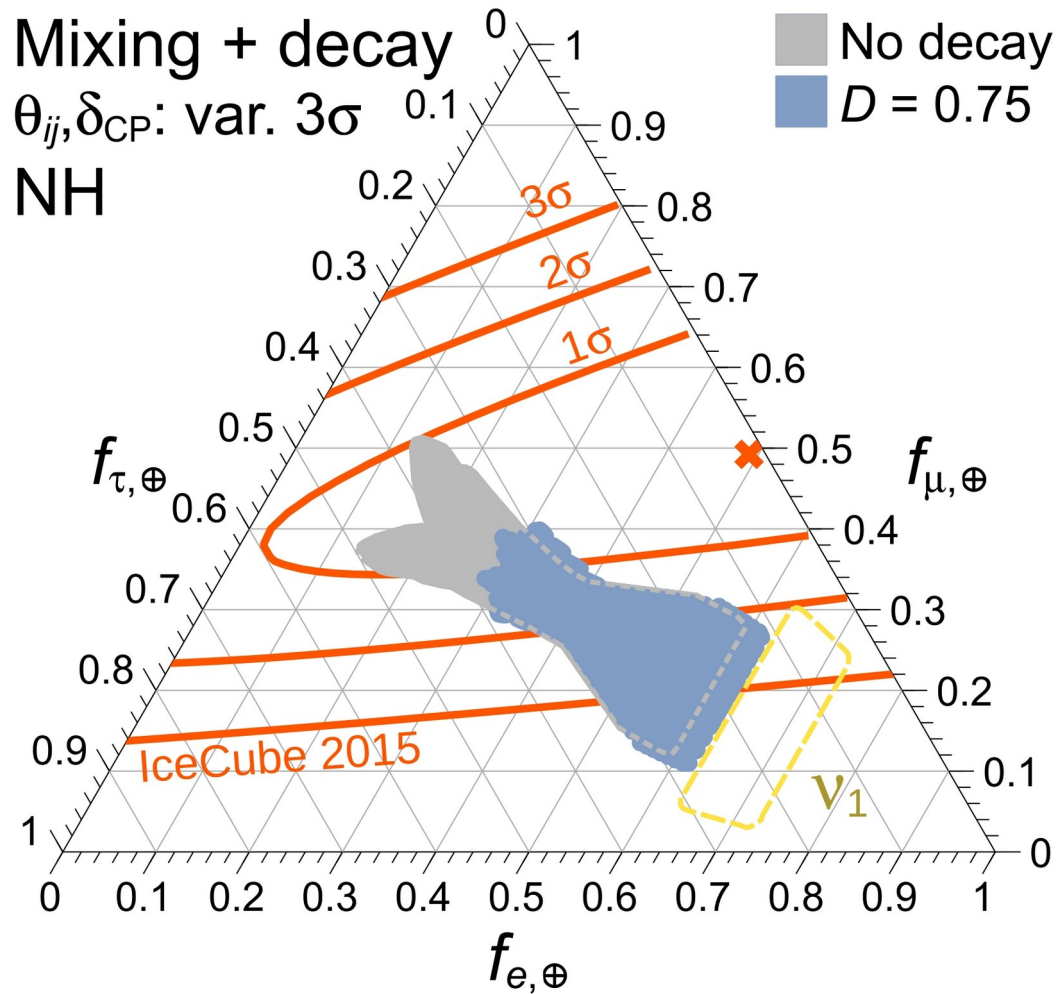


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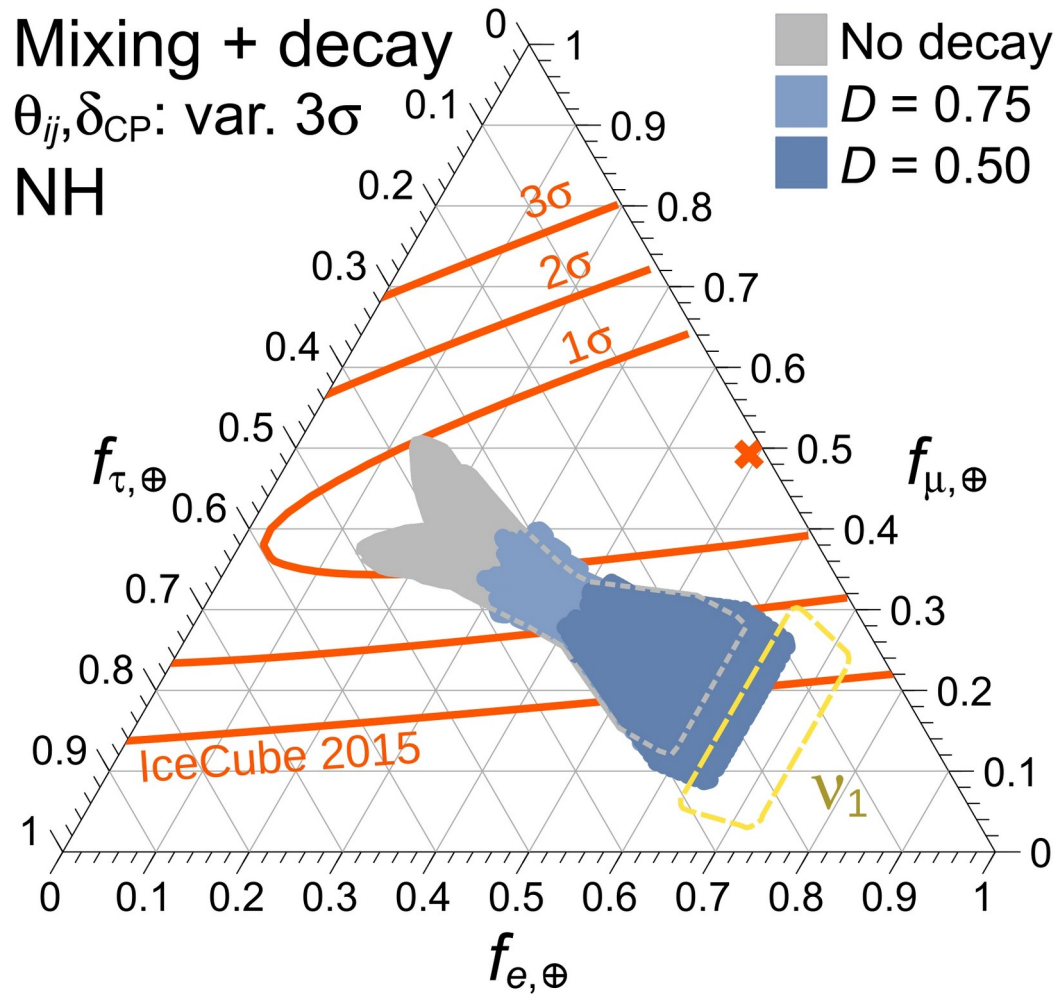


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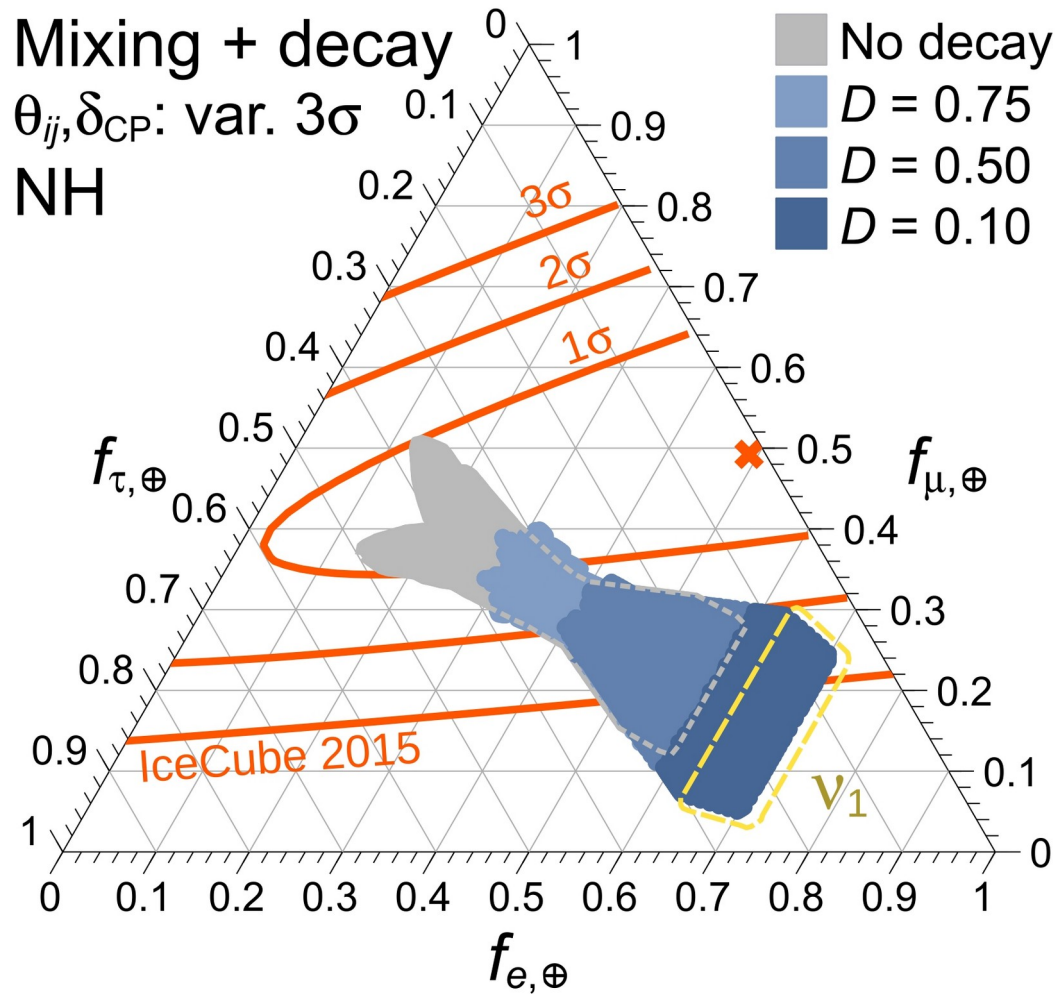


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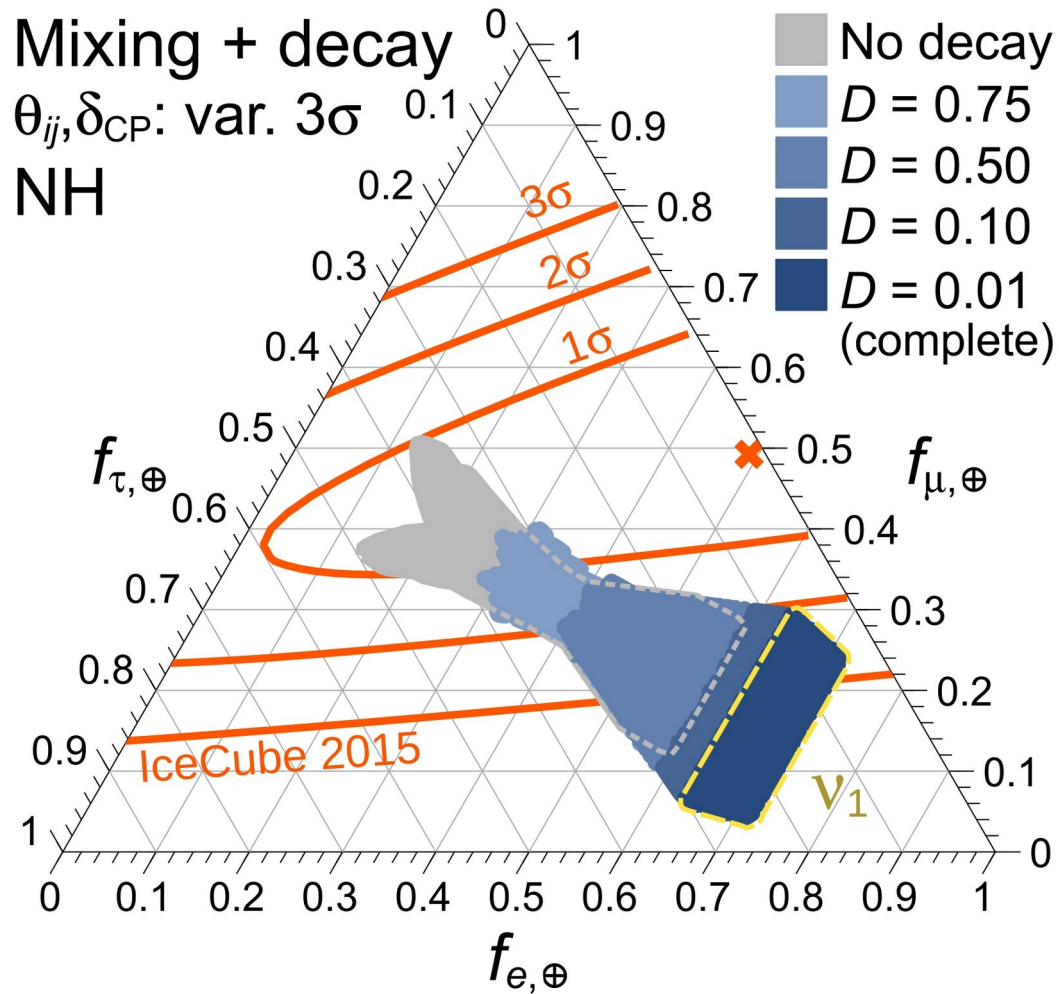


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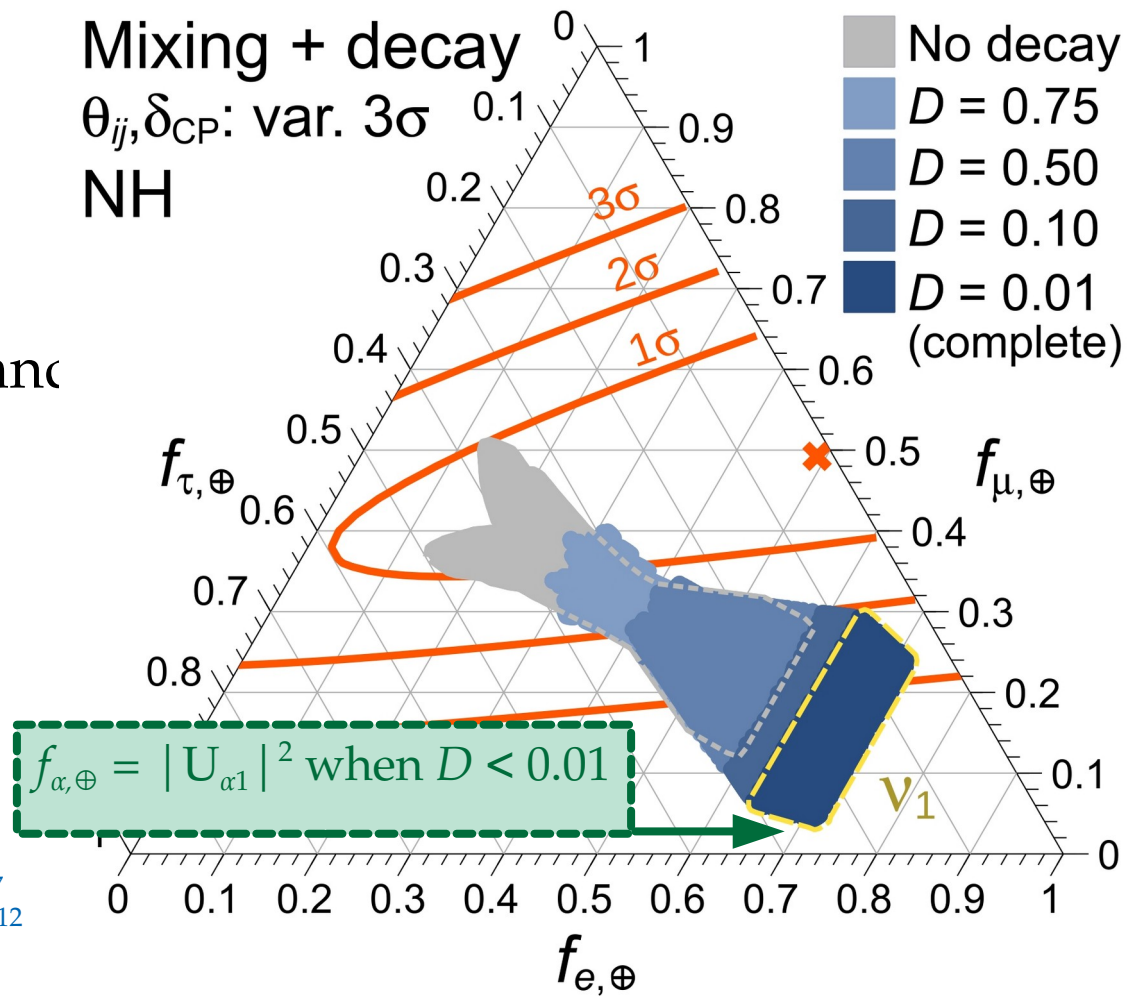
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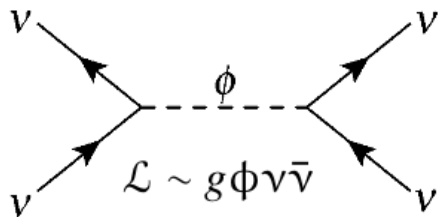
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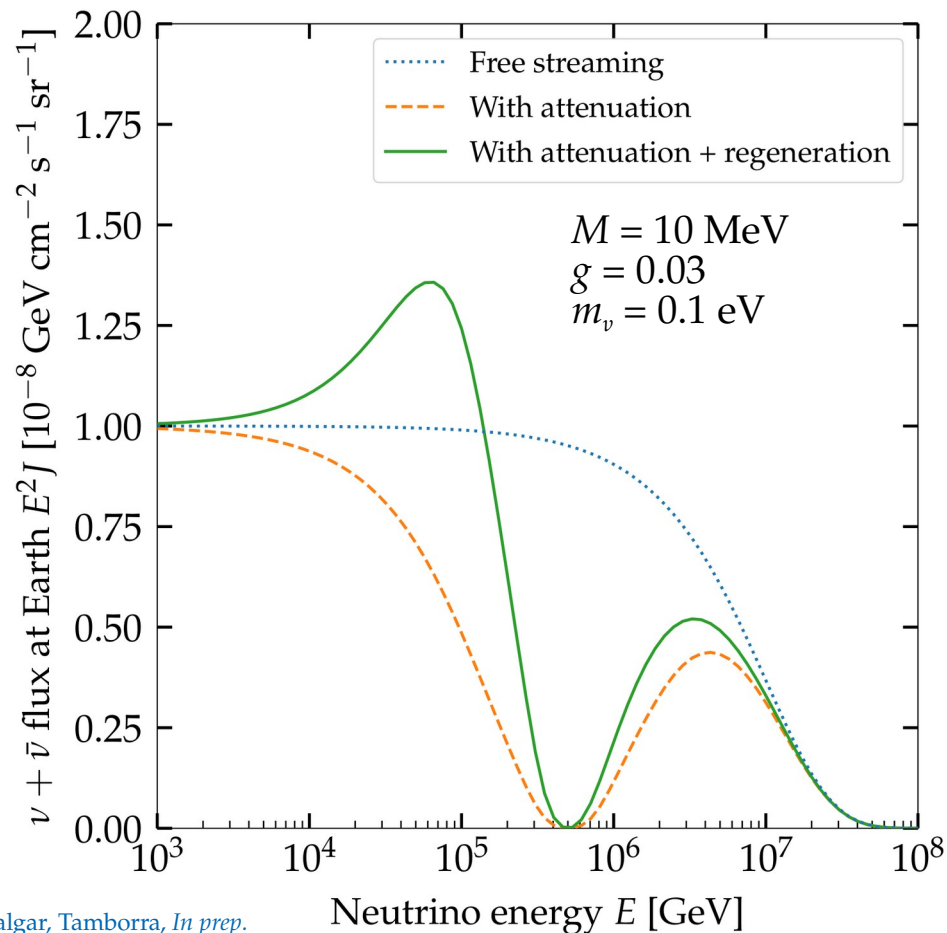
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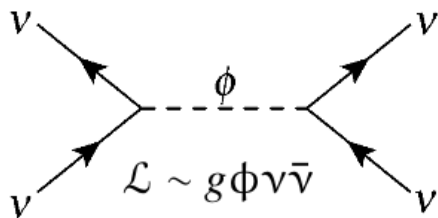
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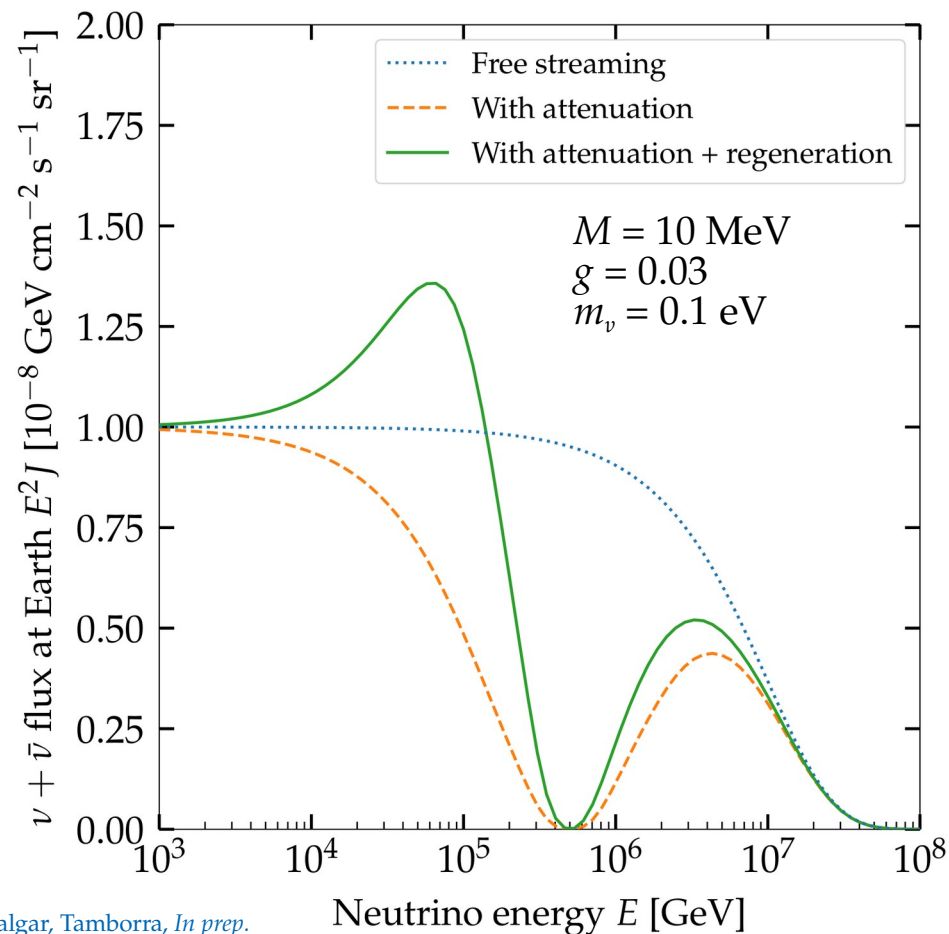
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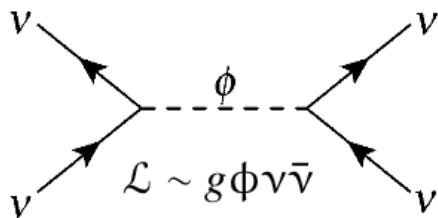
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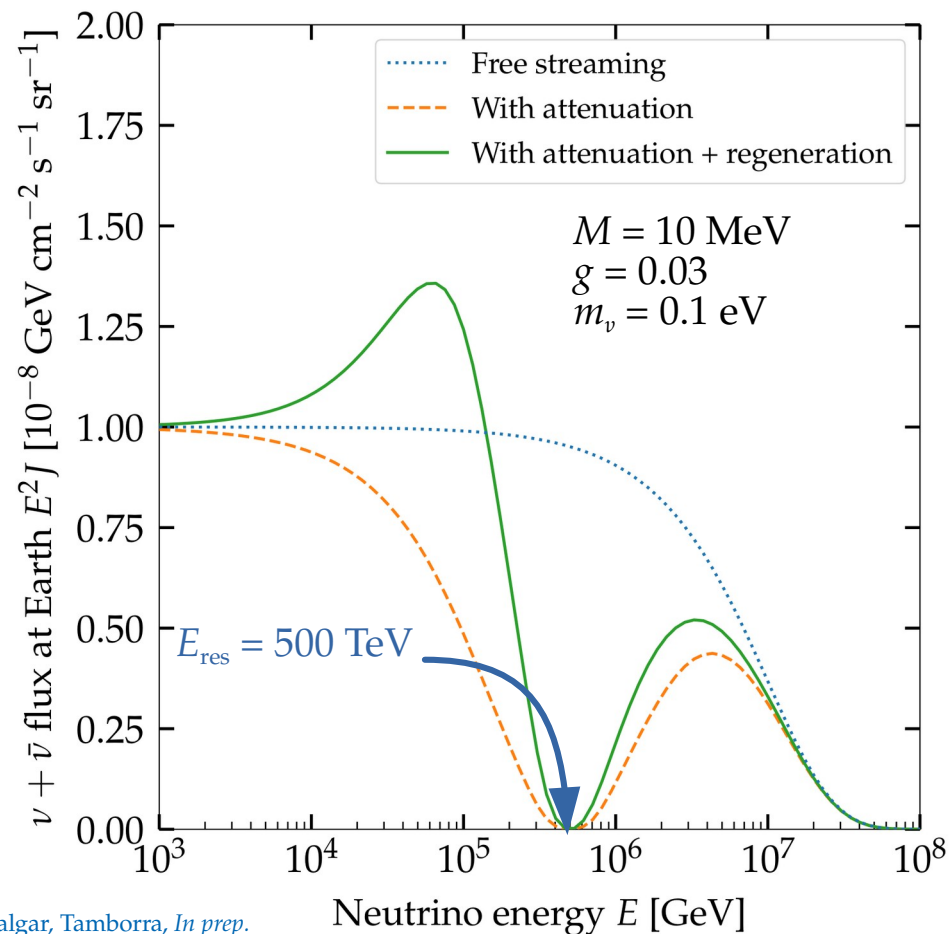
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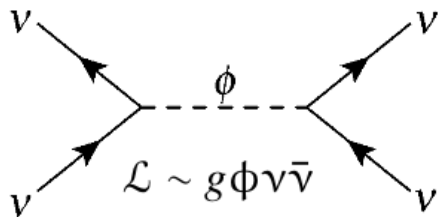
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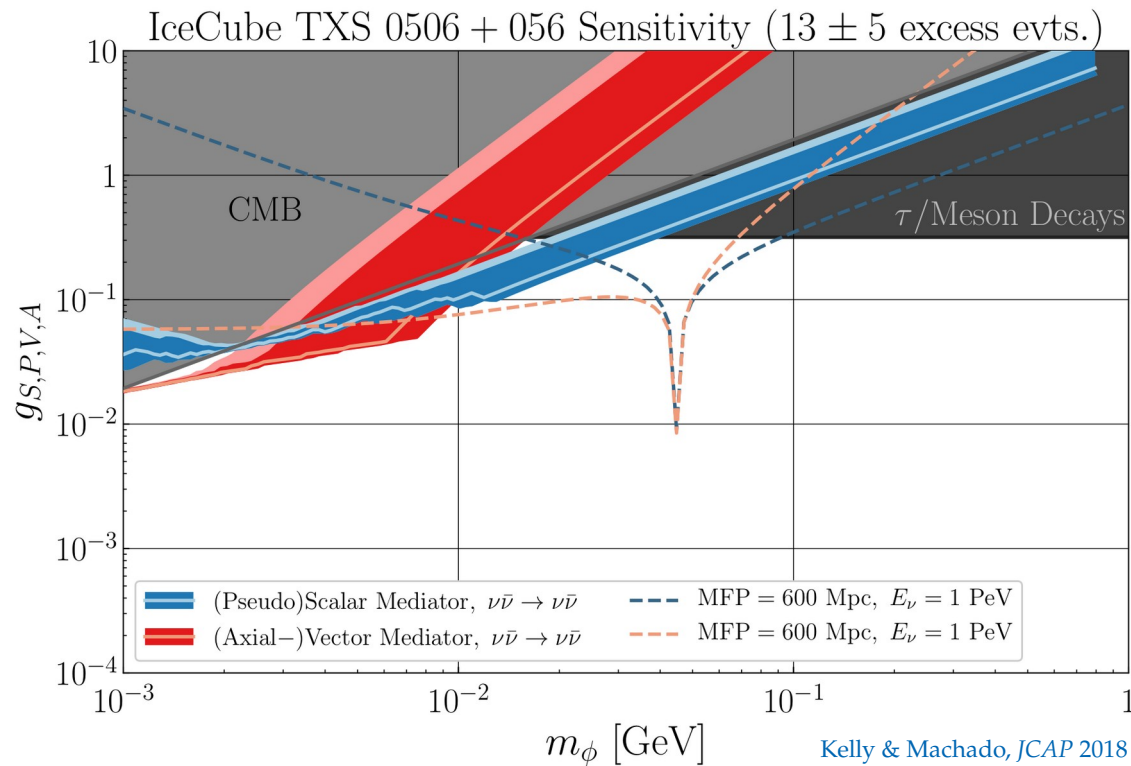
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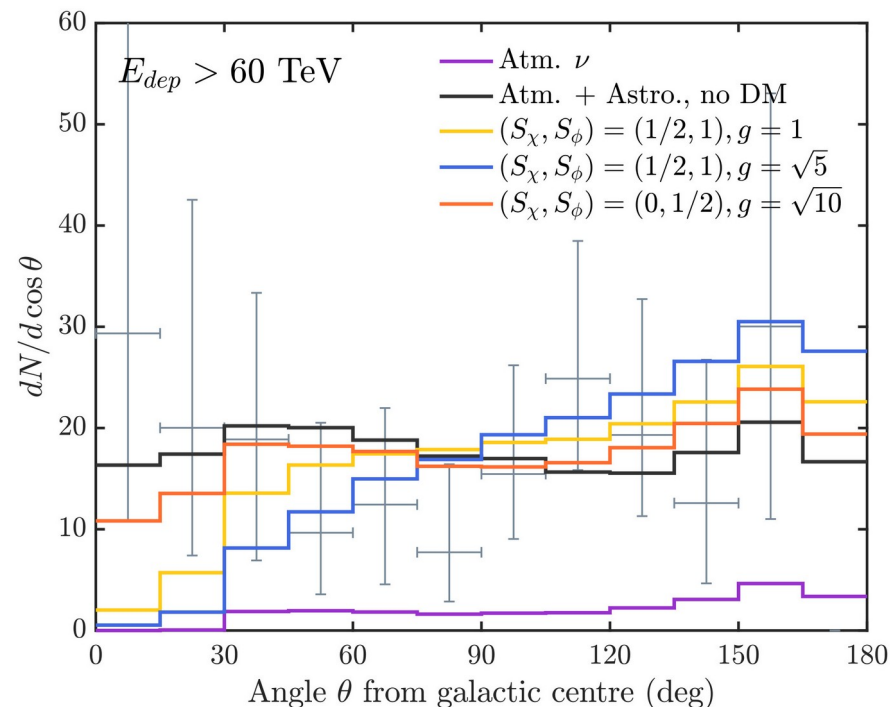
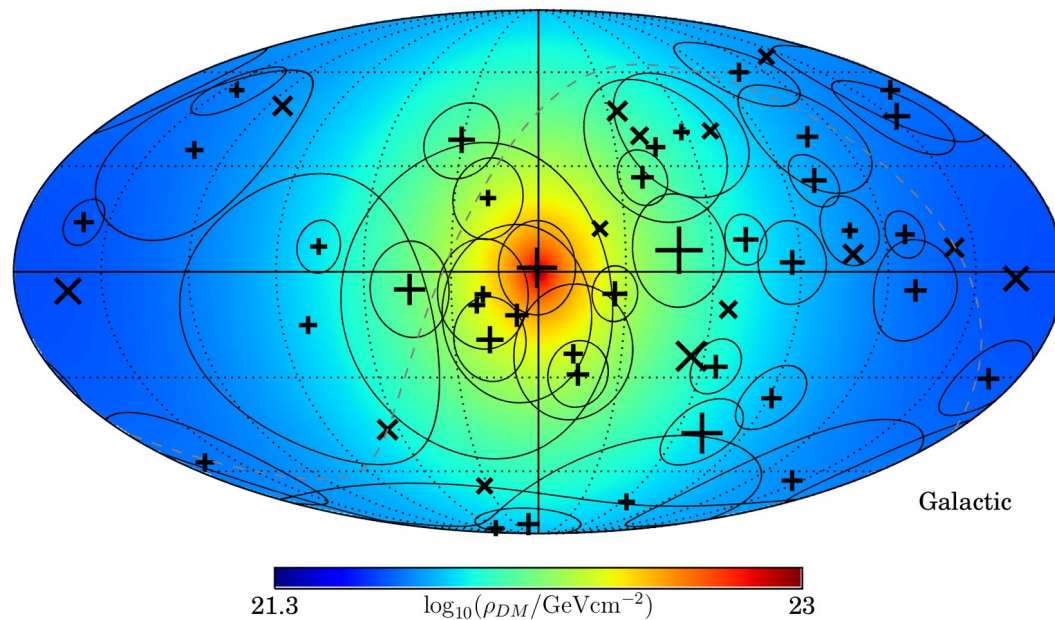
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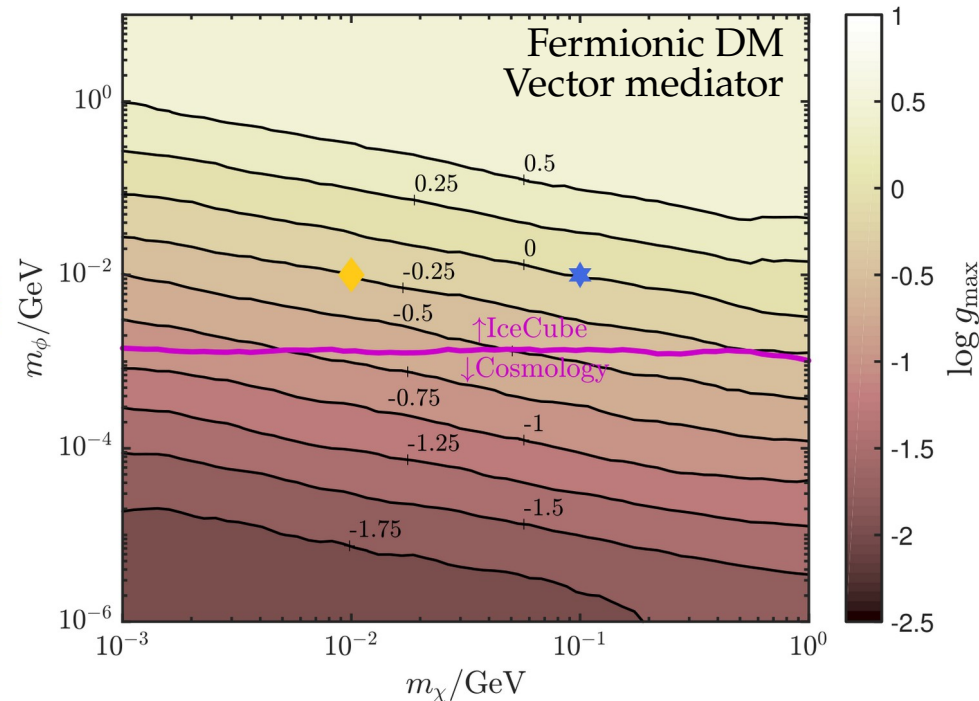
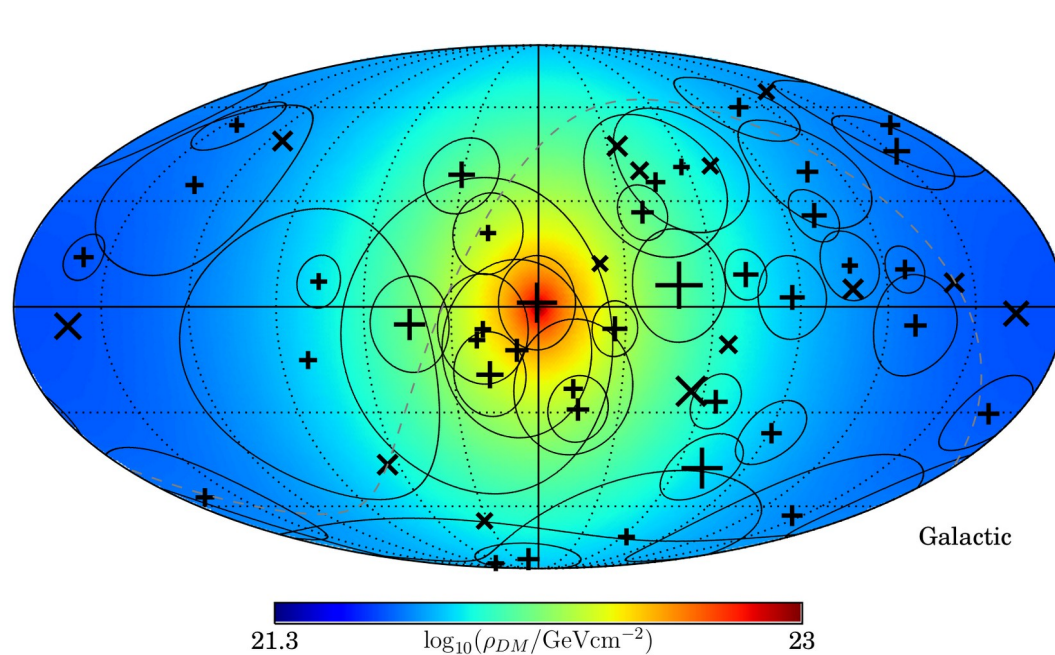


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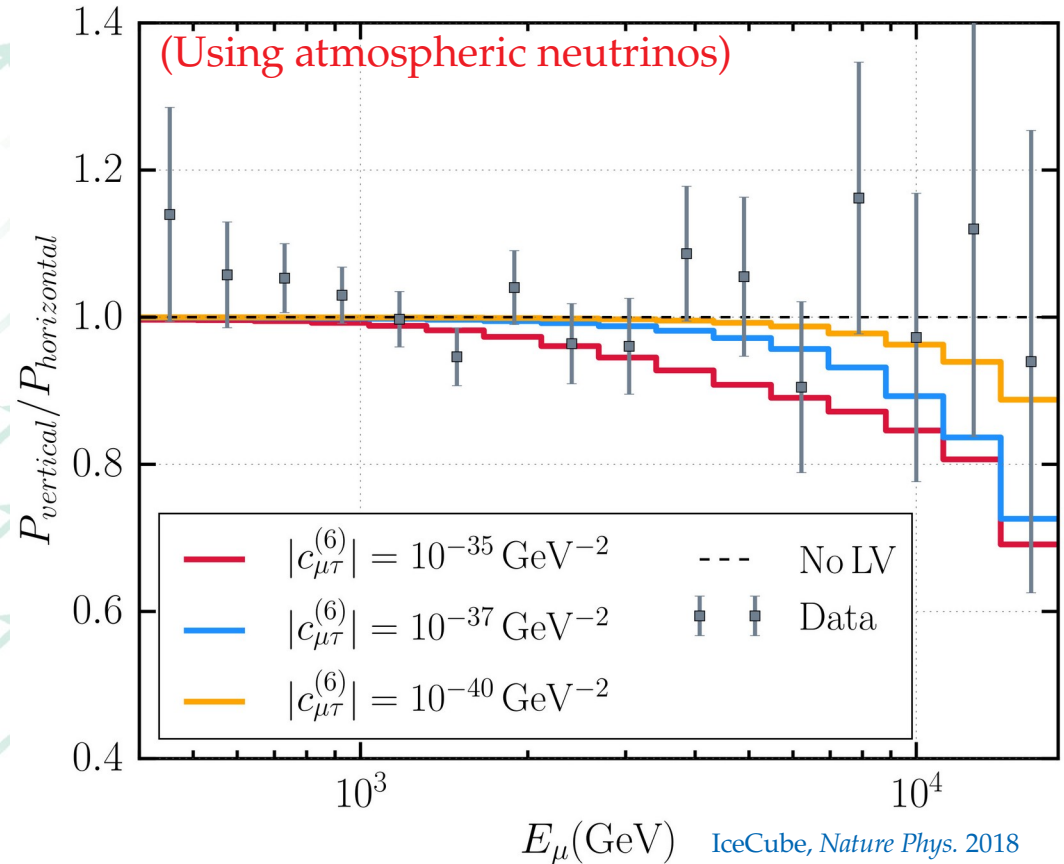
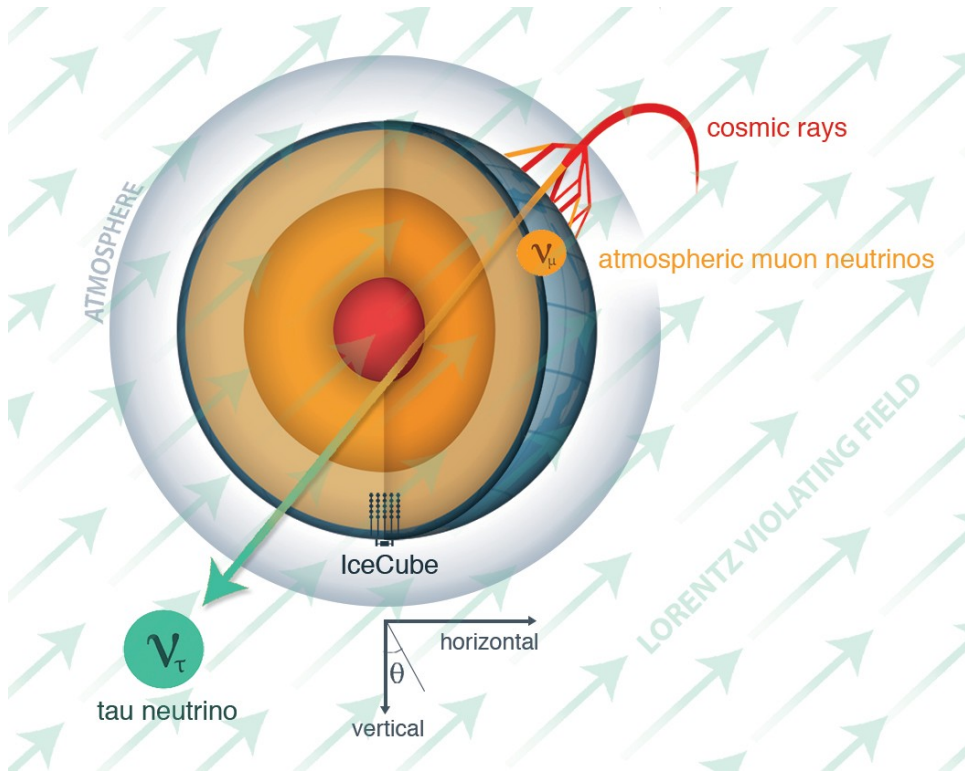


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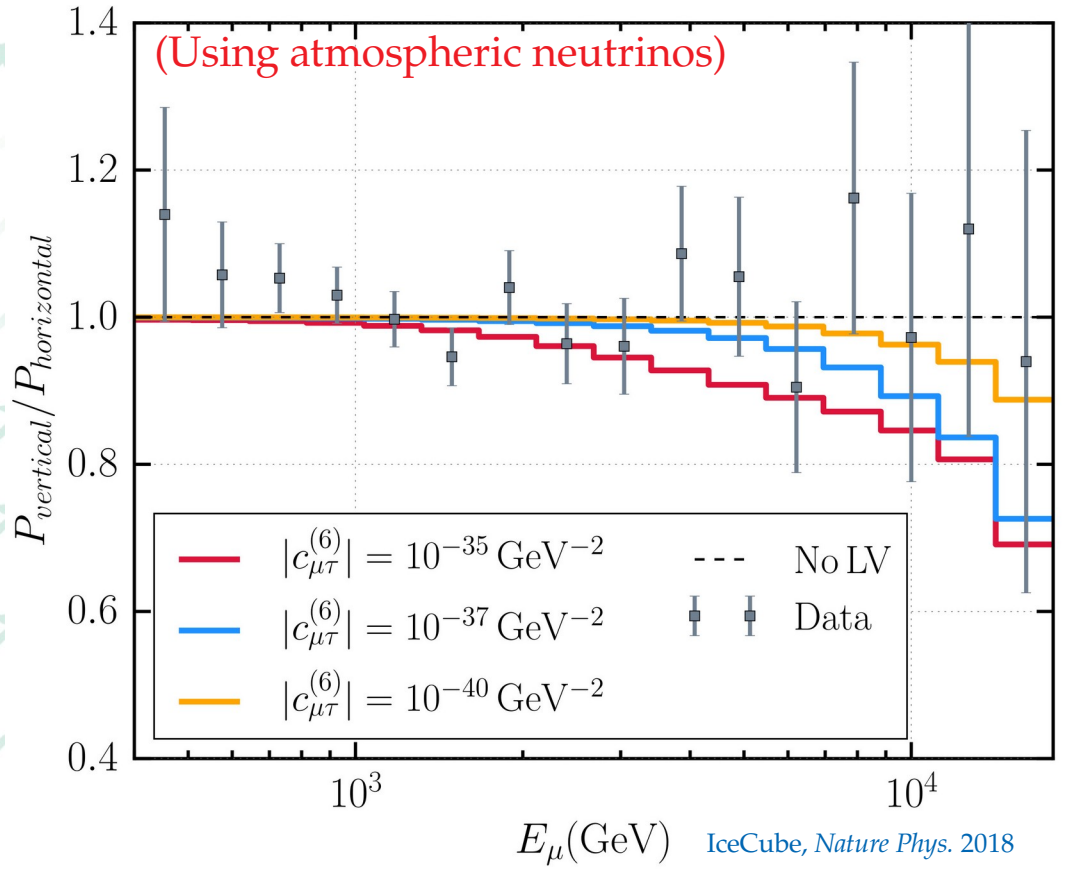
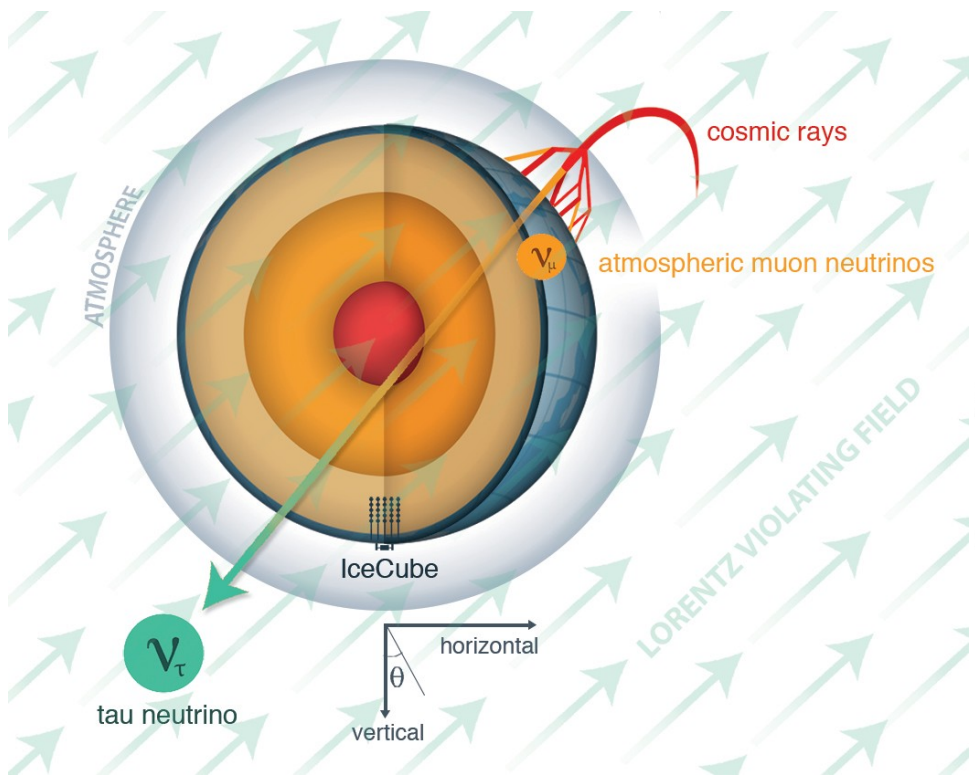


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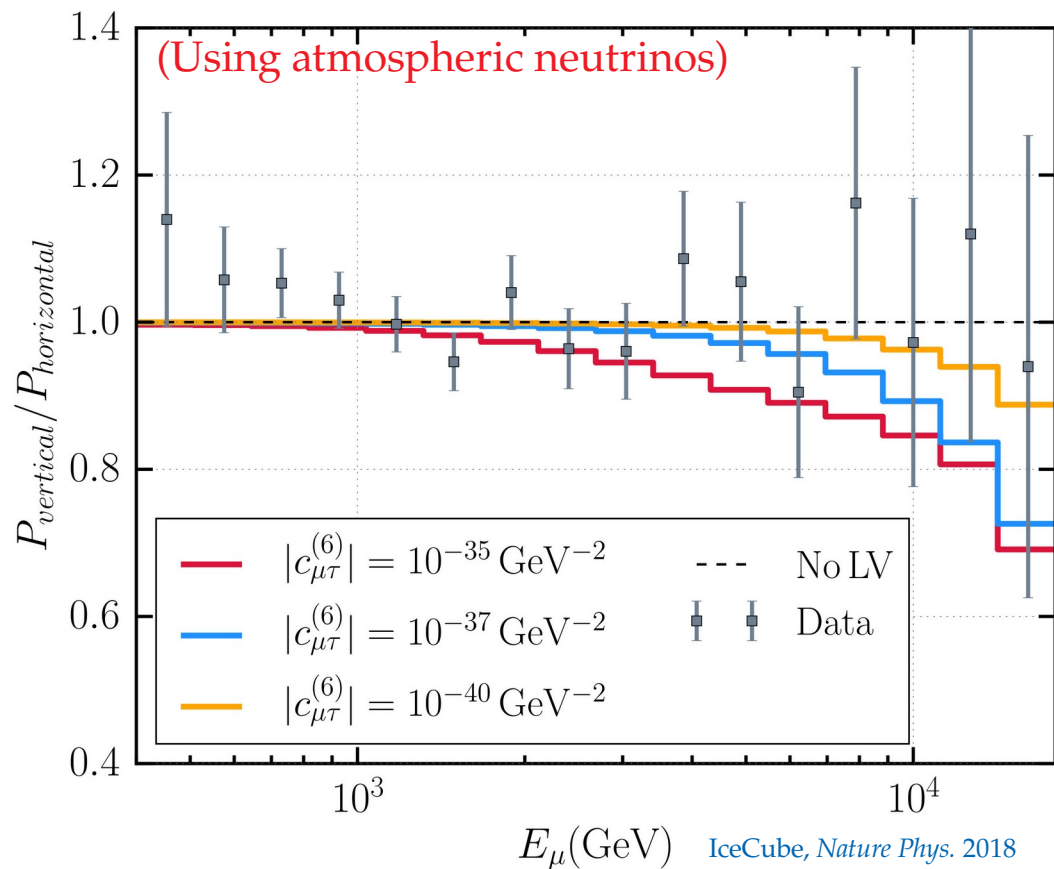
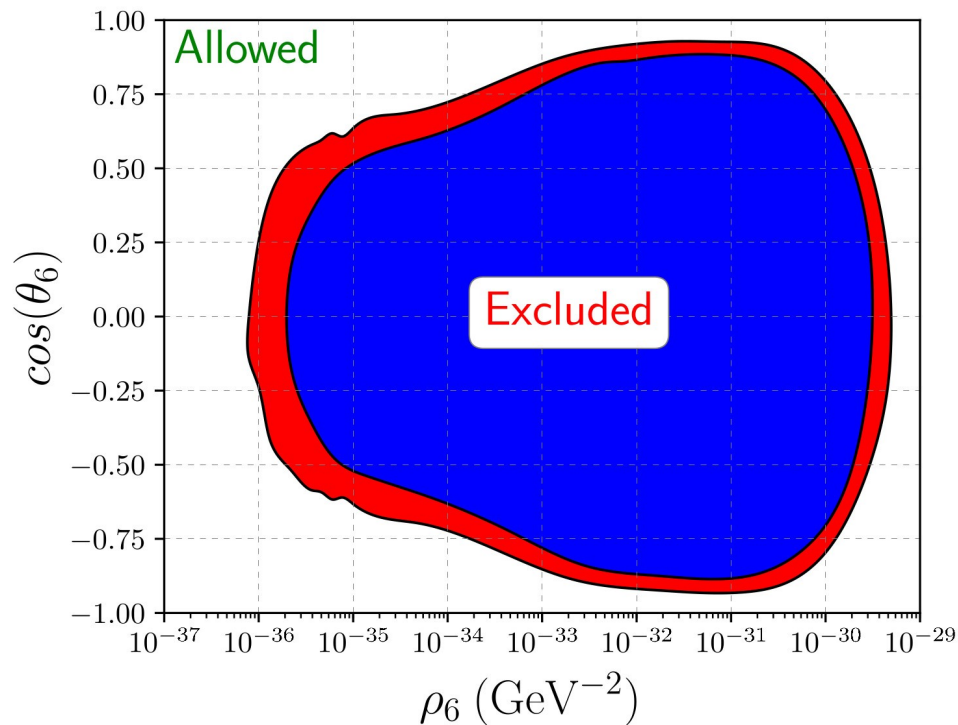
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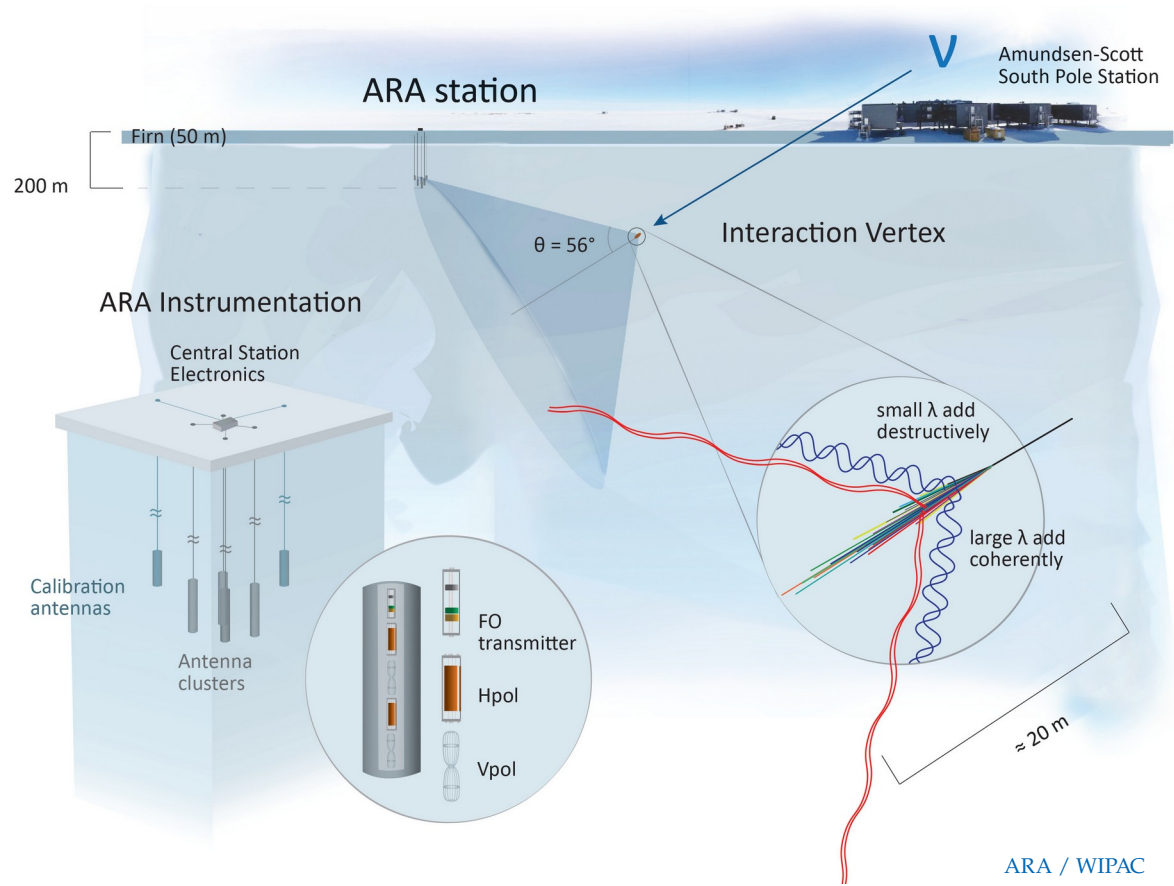
IceCube, Nature Phys. 2018

Radio-detection of UHE neutrinos in ice

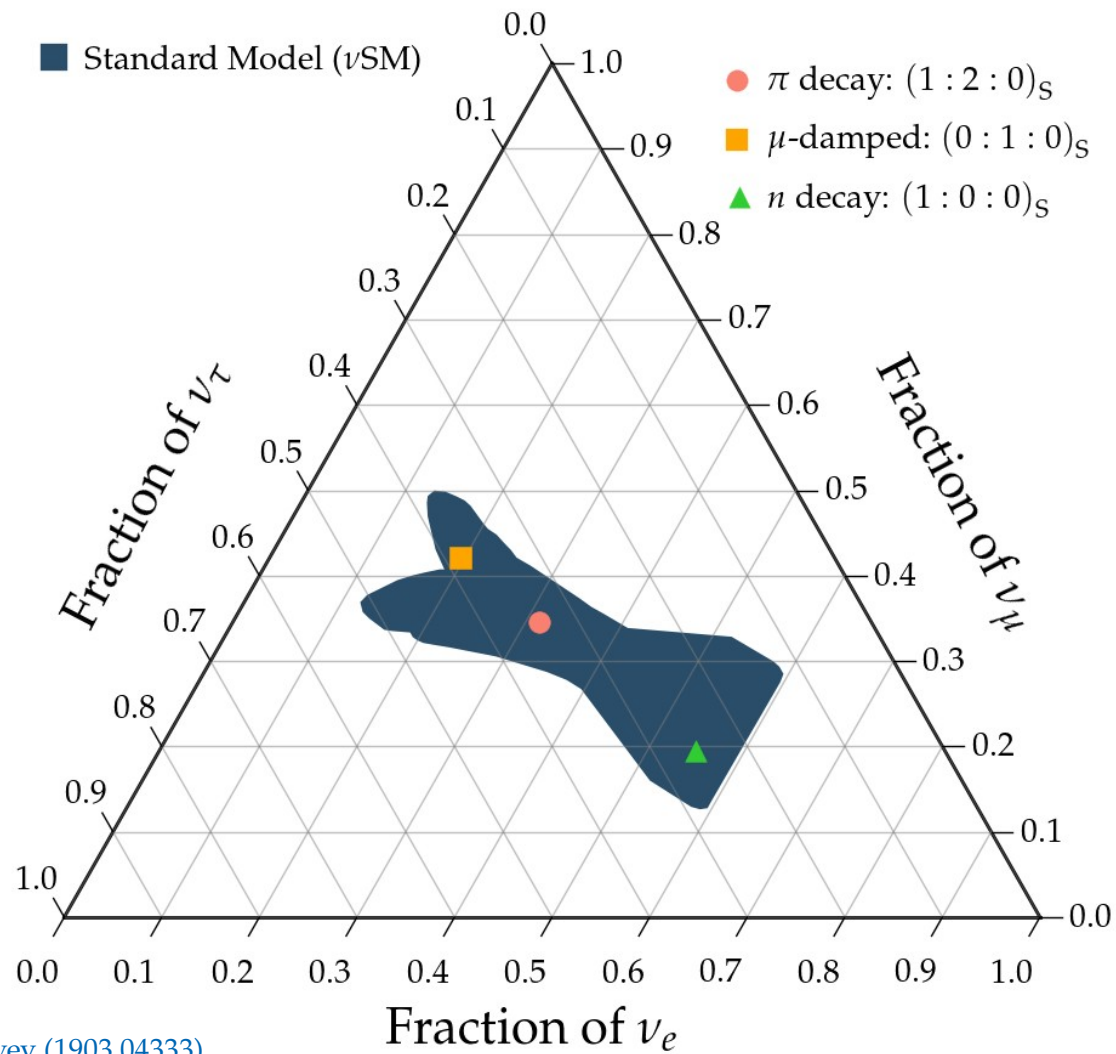
- ▶ Radio attenuation length in ice: **few km** (*vs.* 100 m for light)
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- ▶ **ANITA**: antennas mounted on a balloon

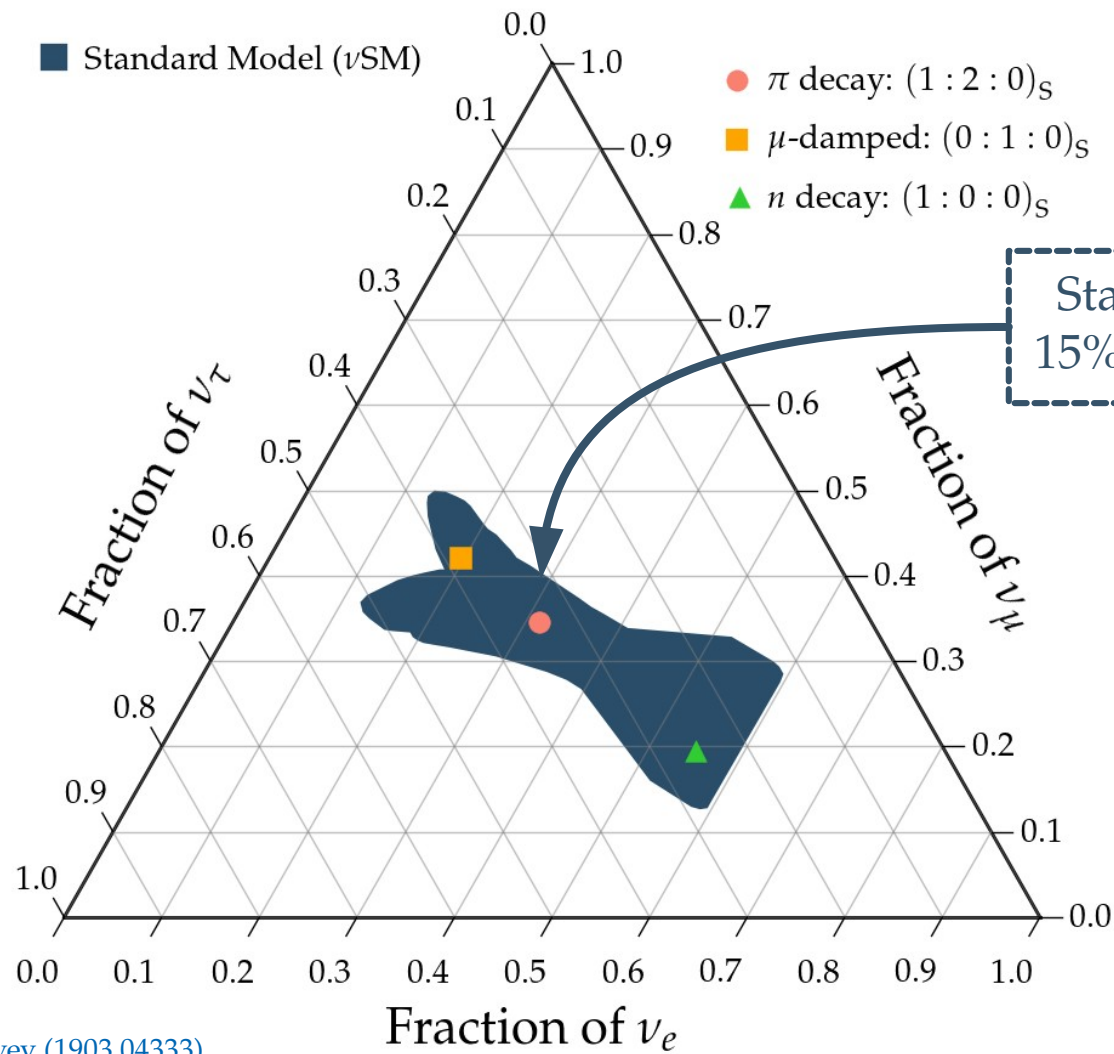
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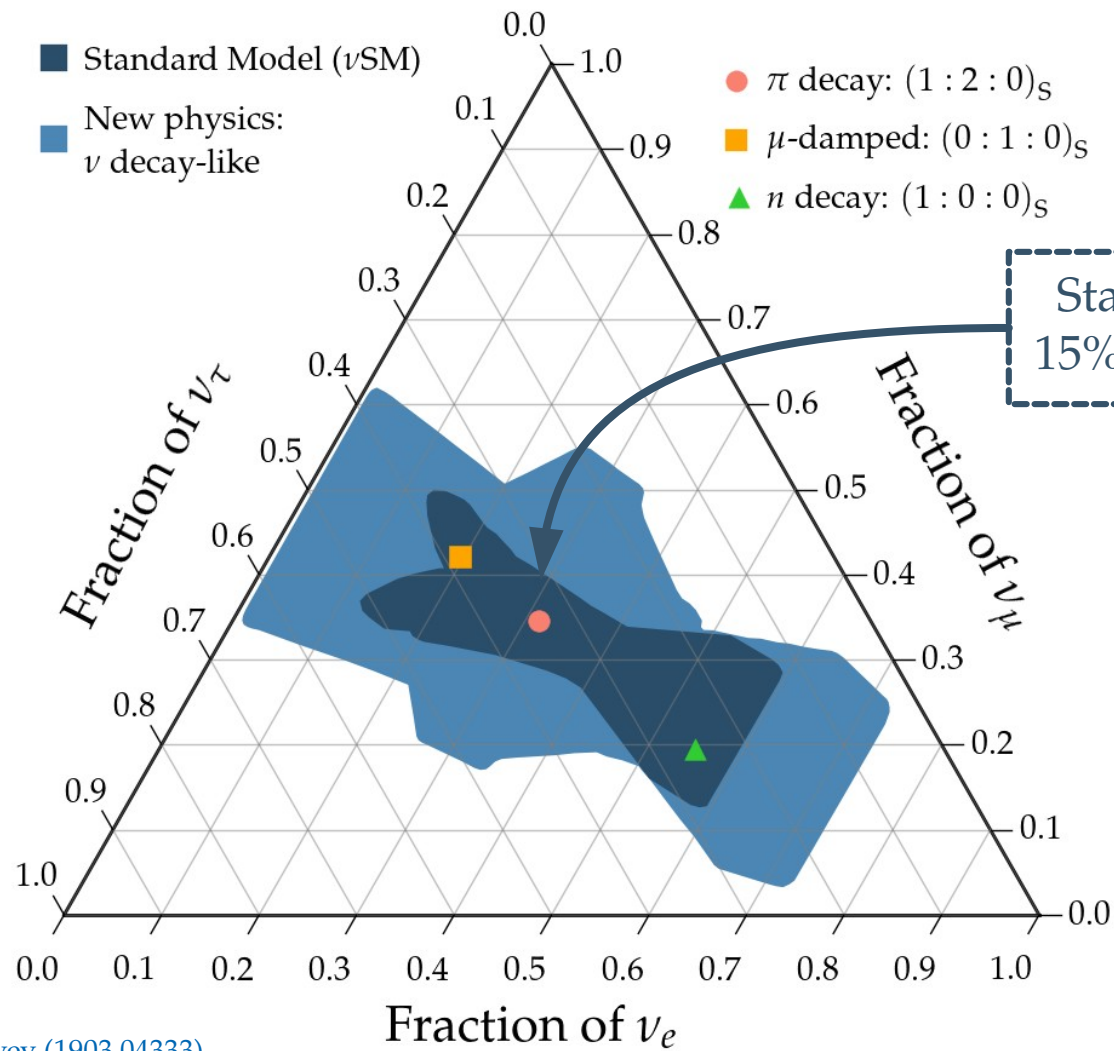
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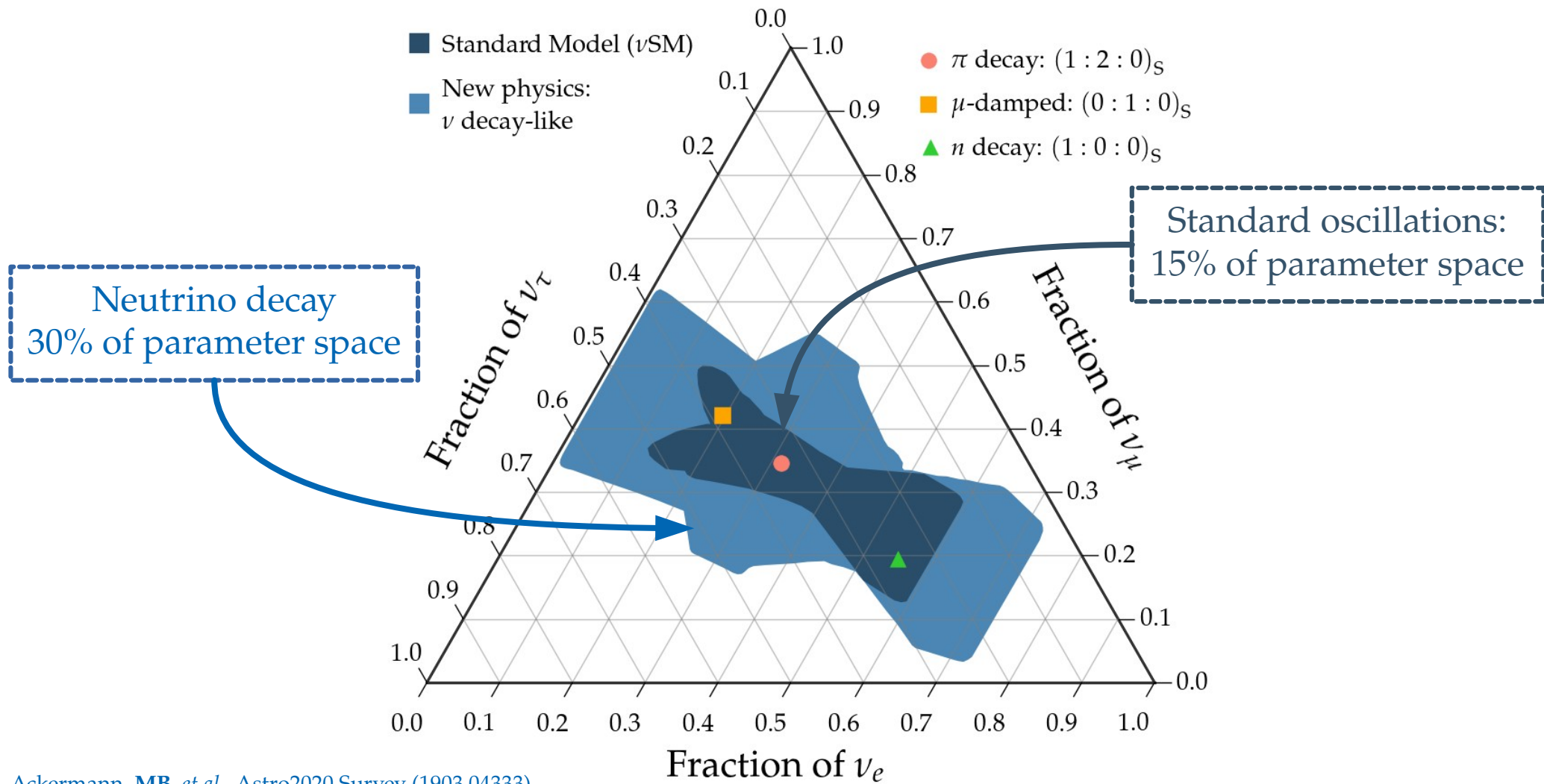


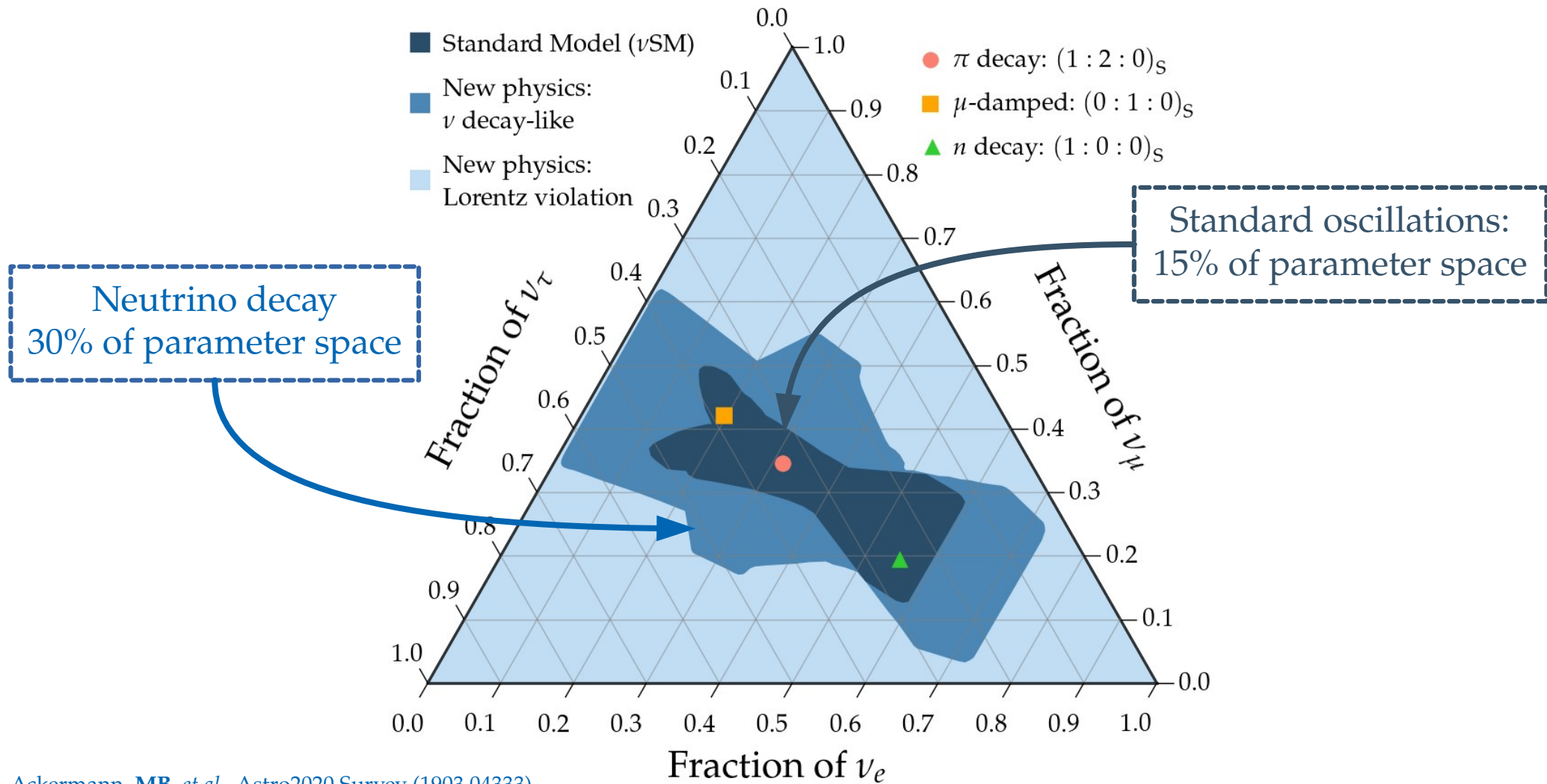
The TeV–PeV ν flavor composition

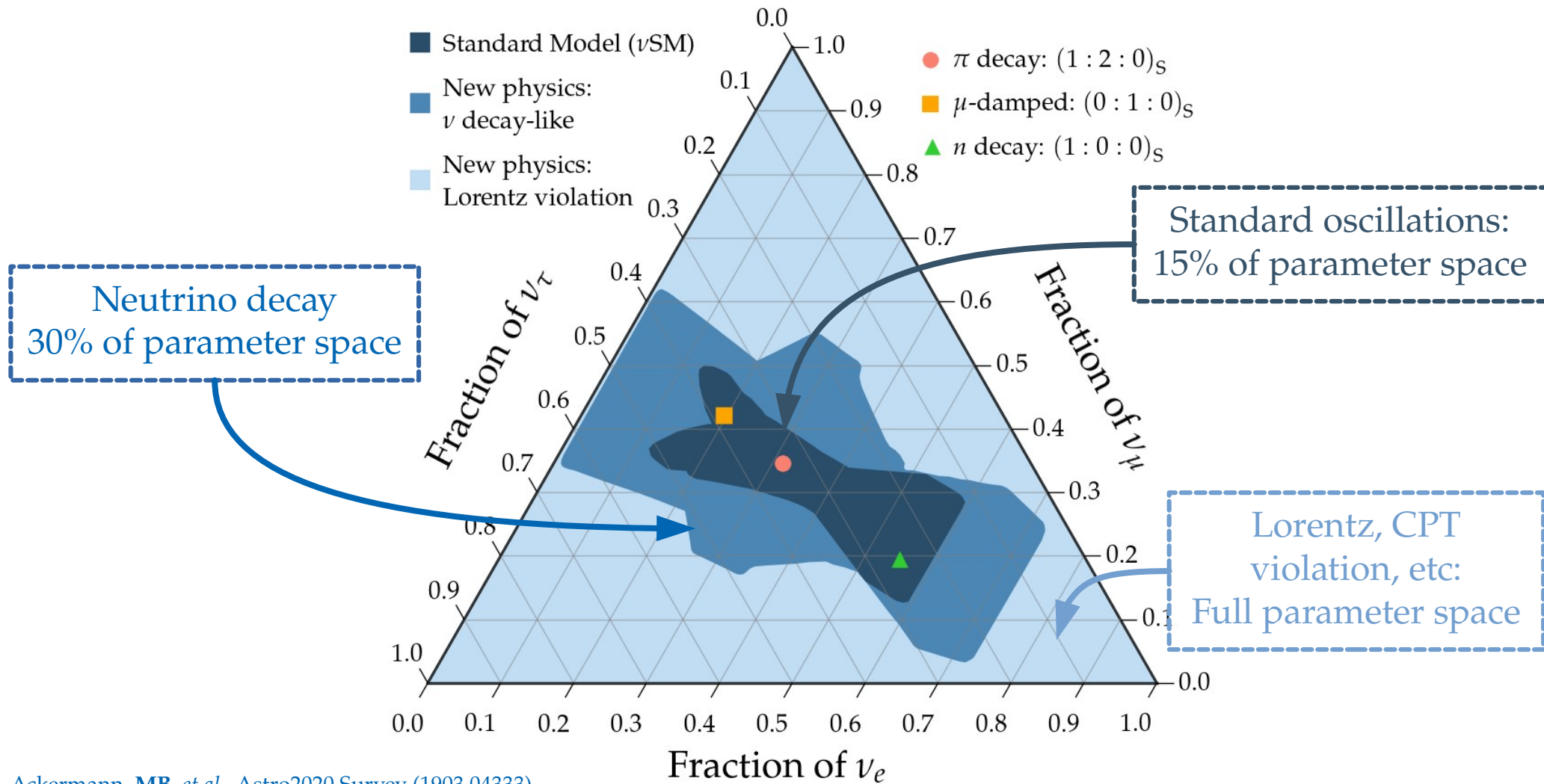


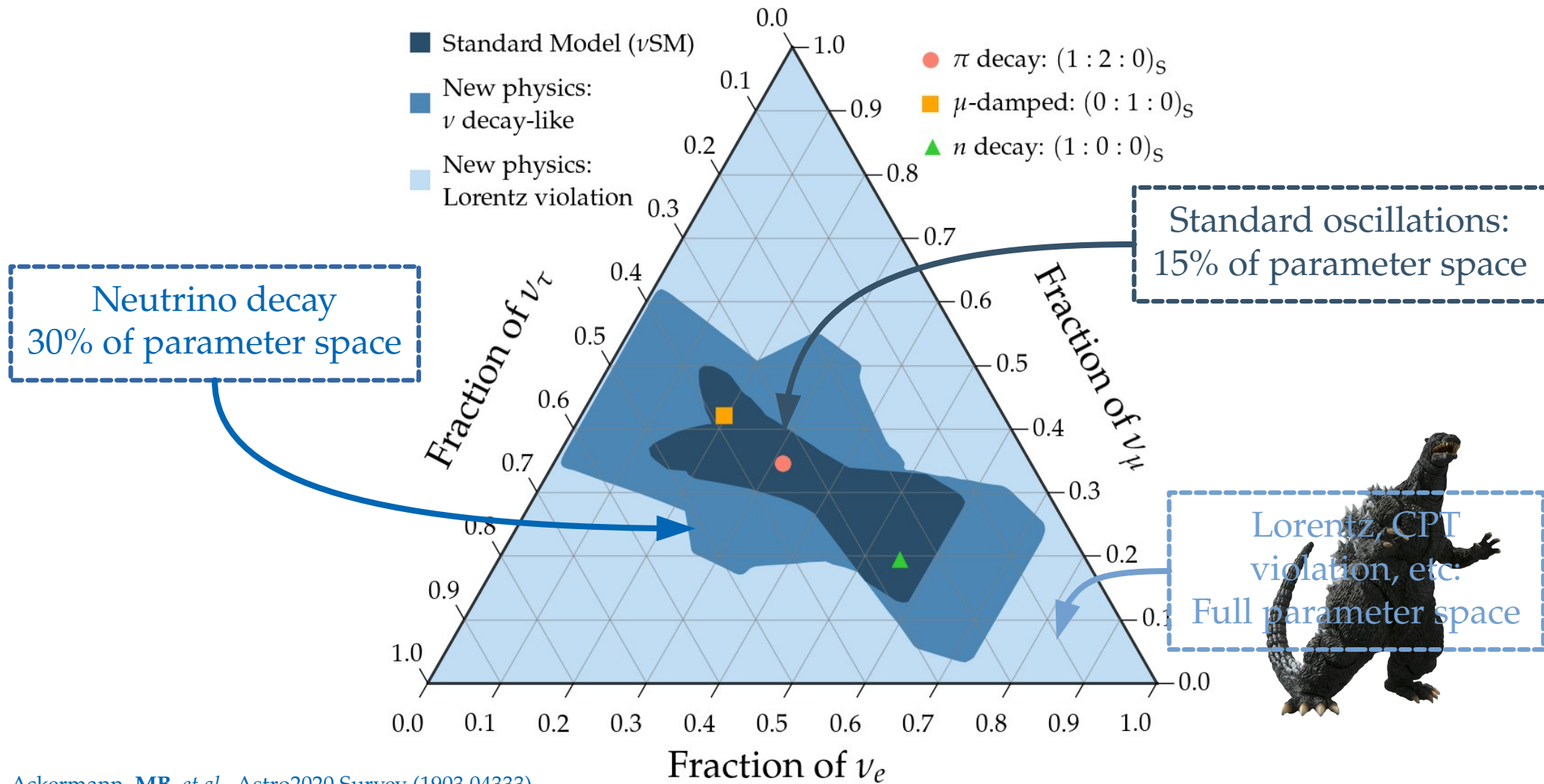












There be dragons

- ▶ High-energy effective field theories
 - ▶ Violation of Lorentz and CPT invariance
[Barenboim & Quigg, *PRD* 2003; MB, Gago, Peña-Garay, *JHEP* 2010; Kostelecky & Mewes 2004]
 - ▶ Violation of equivalence principle
[Gasperini, *PRD* 1989; Glashow *et al.*, *PRD* 1997]
 - ▶ Coupling to a gravitational torsion field
[De Sabbata & Gasperini, *Nuovo Cim.* 1981]
 - ▶ Renormalization-group-running of mixing parameters
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 - ▶ General non-unitary propagation
[Ahlers, MB, Mu, *PRD* 2018]

- ▶ Active-sterile mixing

[Aeikens *et al.*, *JCAP* 2015; Brdar, *JCAP* 2017]

- ▶ Flavor-violating physics

- ▶ New neutrino-electron interactions

[MB & Agarwalla, *PRL* 2019]

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[MB *et al.*, *PRD* 2020; Ng & Beacom, *PRD* 2014; Cherry, Friedland, Shoemaker, 1411.1071; Blum, Hook, Murase, 1408.3799]

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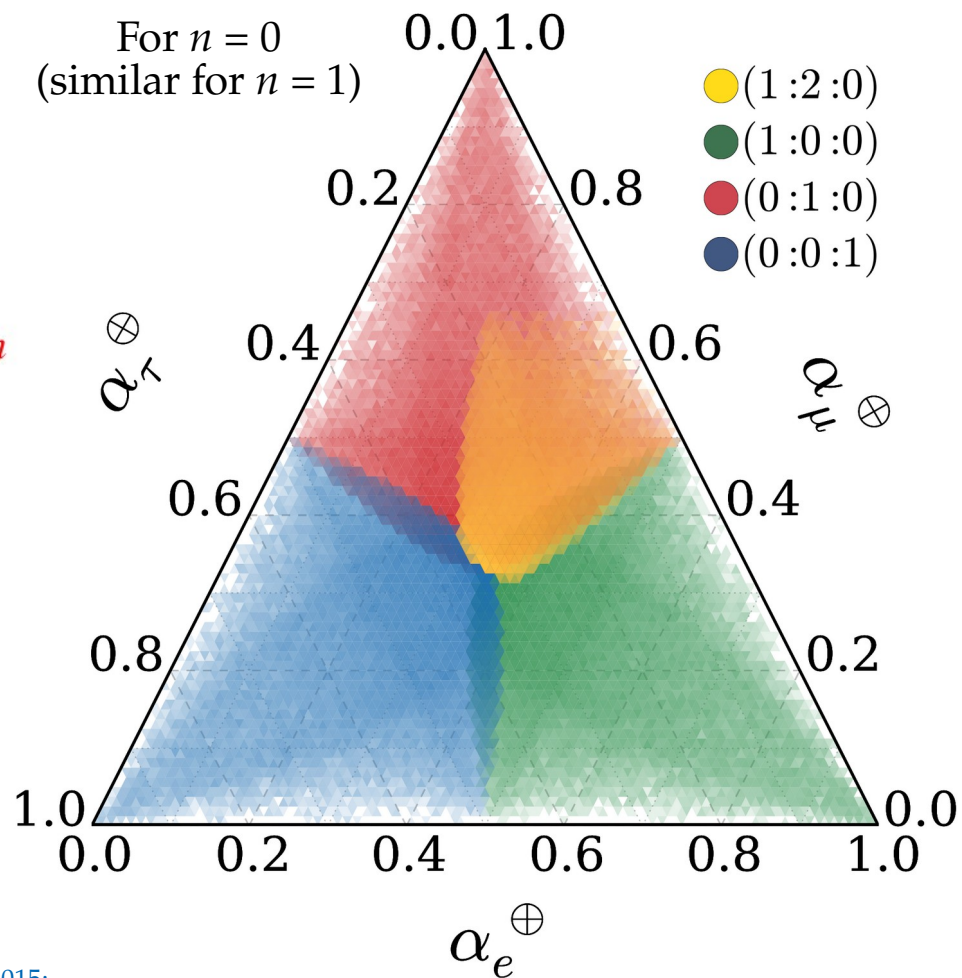
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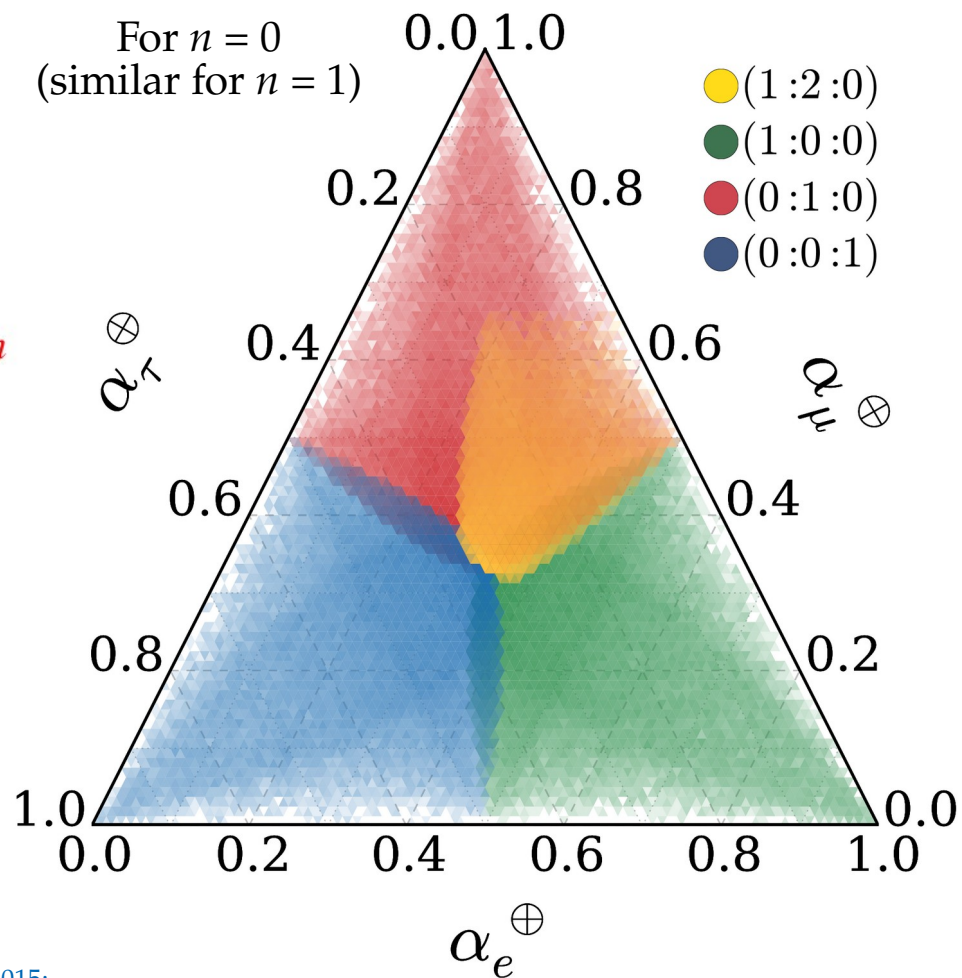
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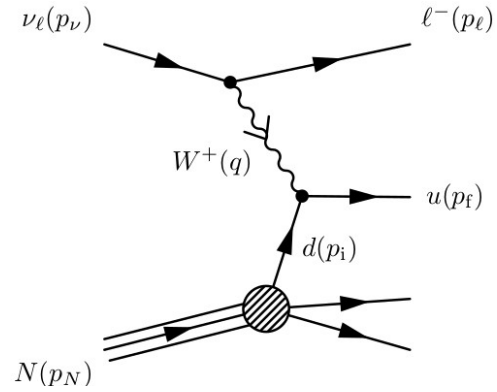
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Argüelles, Katori, Salvadó, *PRL* 2015

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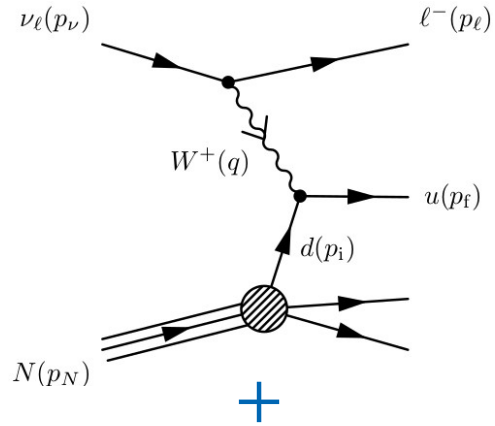
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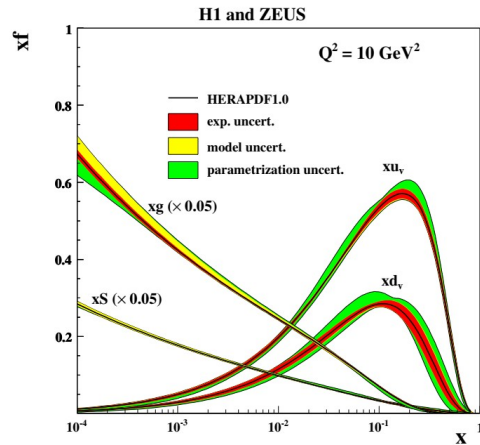


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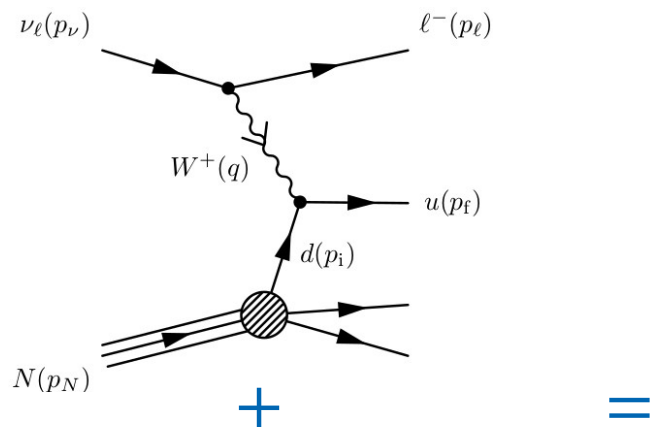


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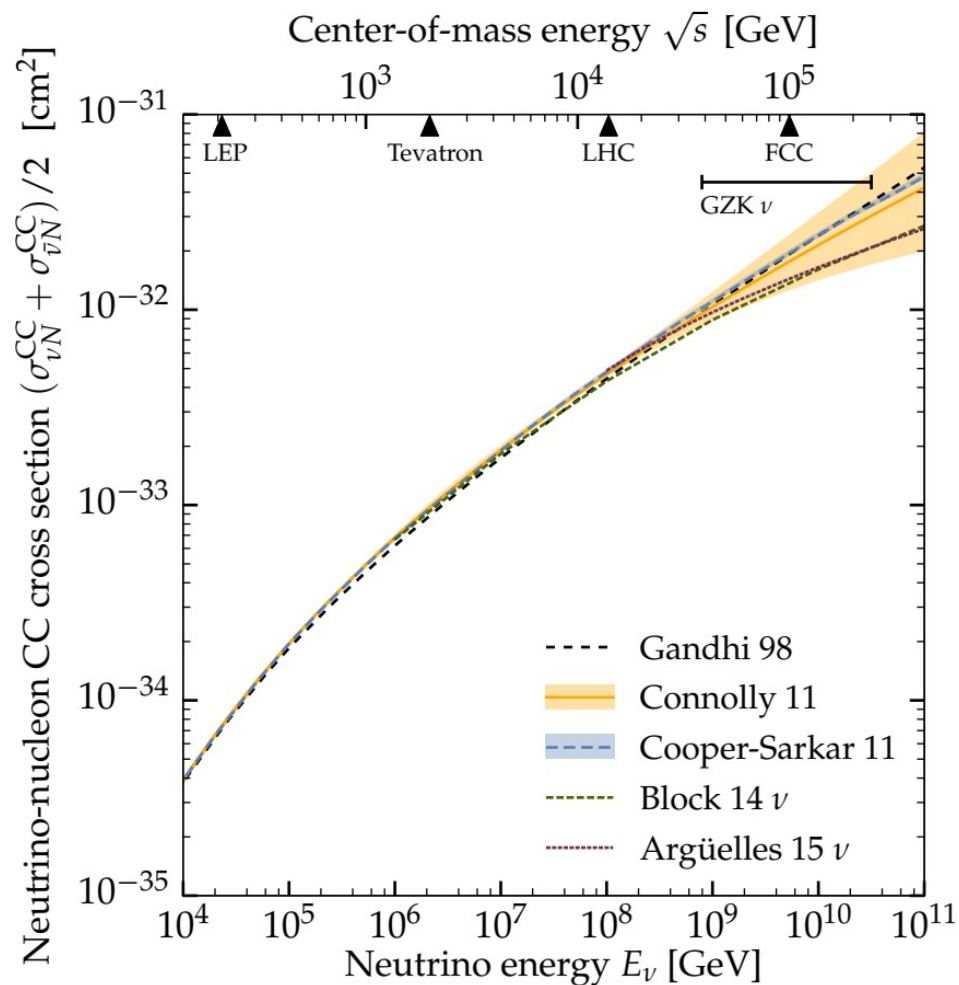
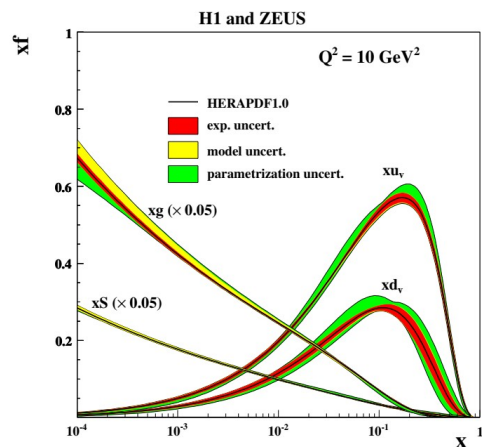


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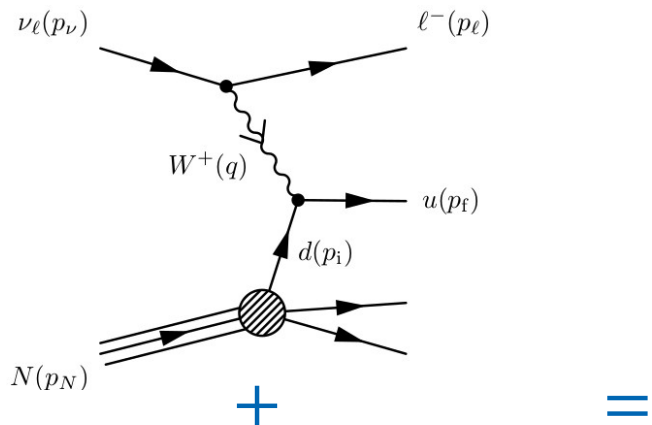


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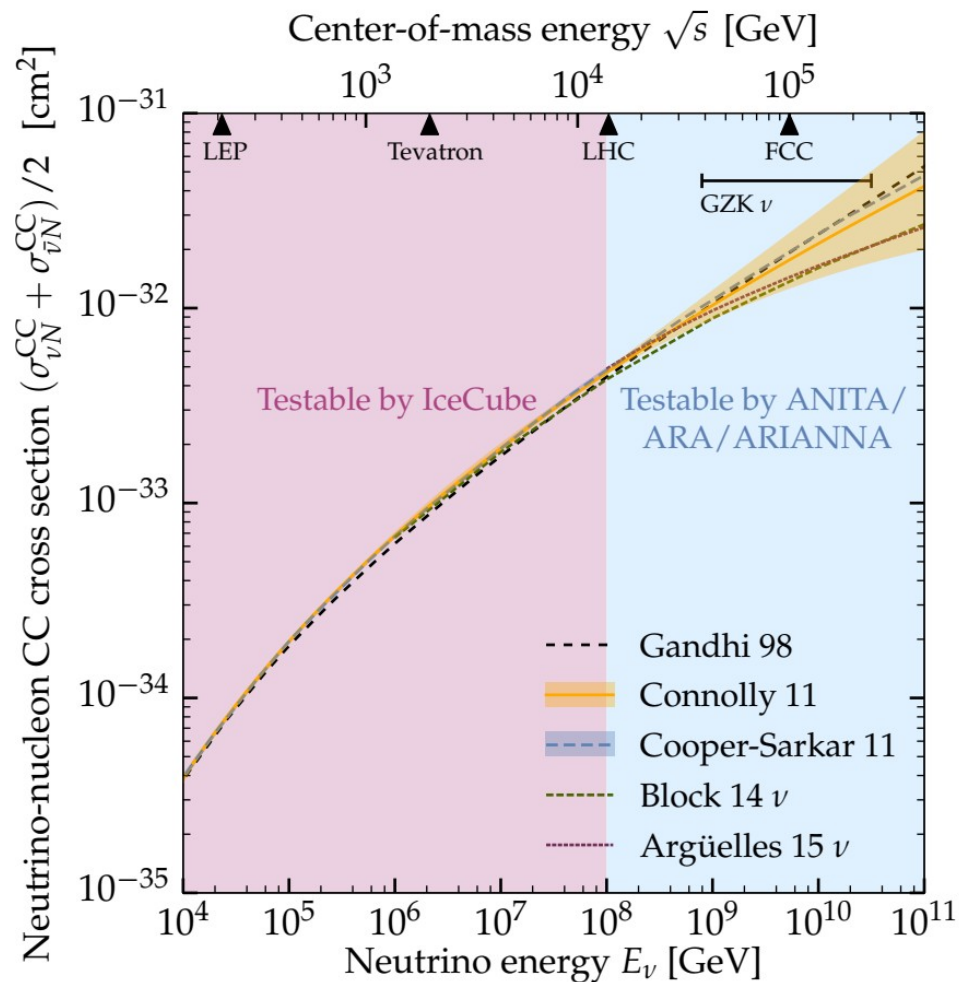
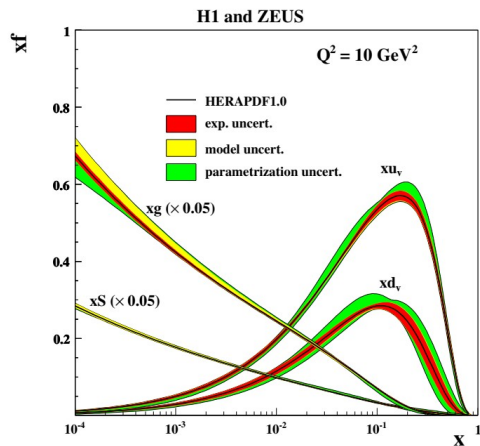


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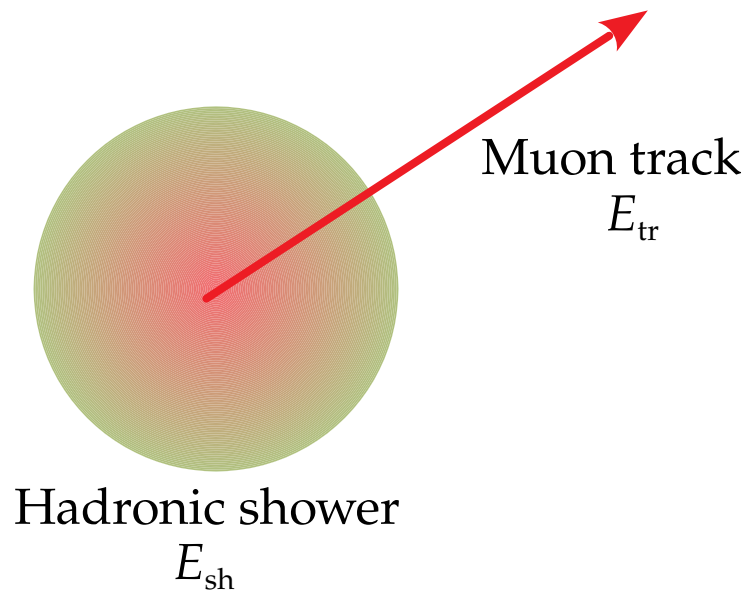
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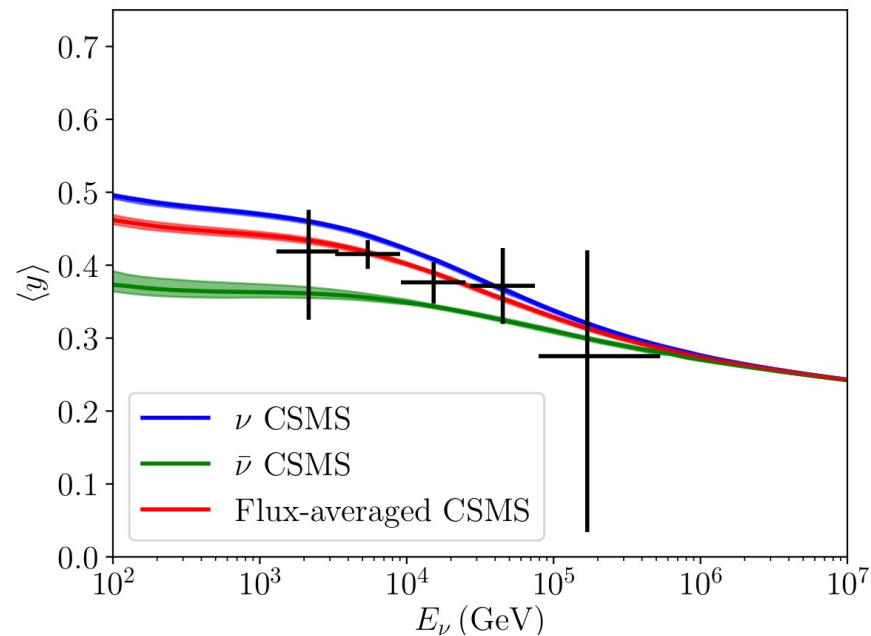
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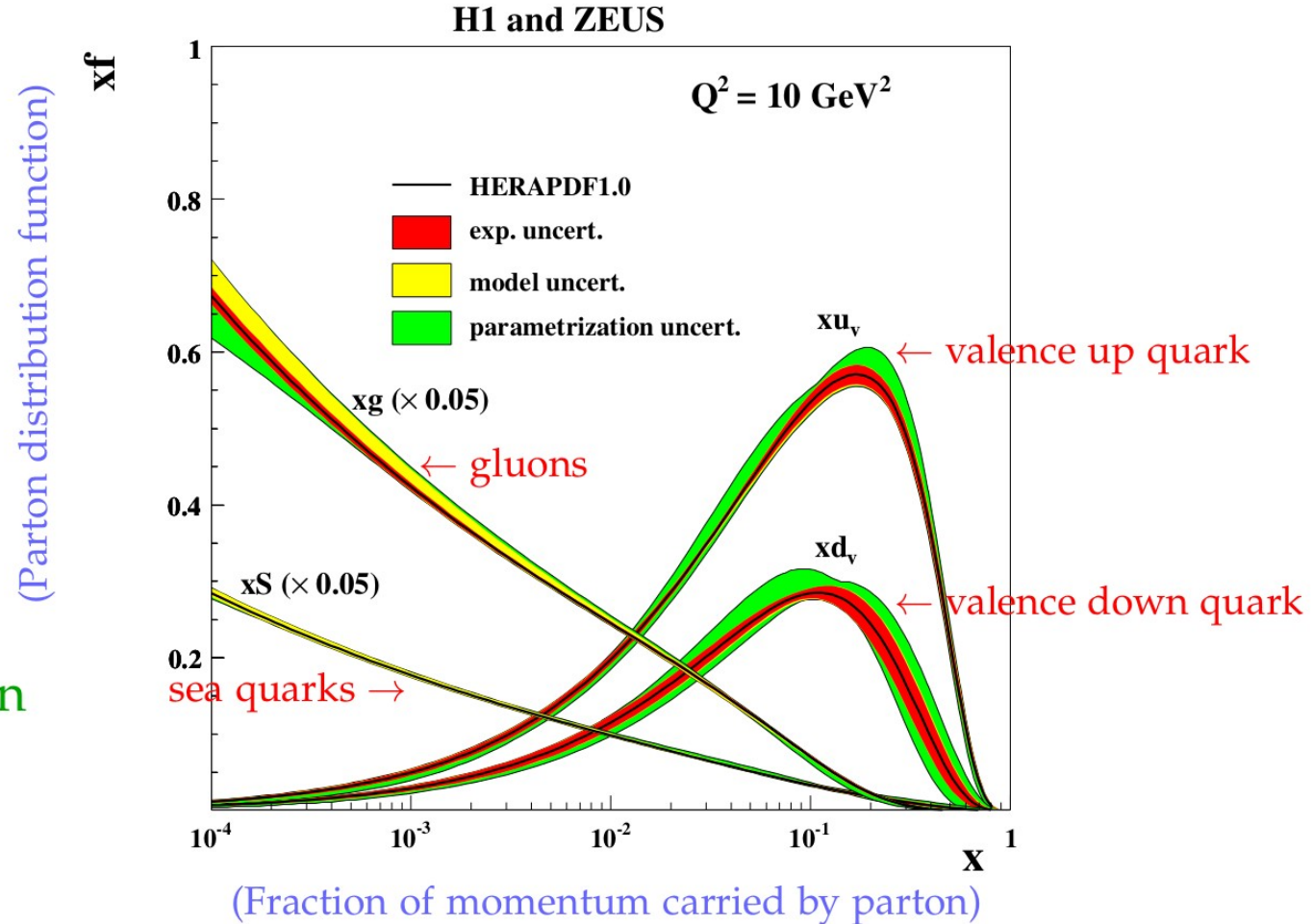
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IceCube, PRD 2019

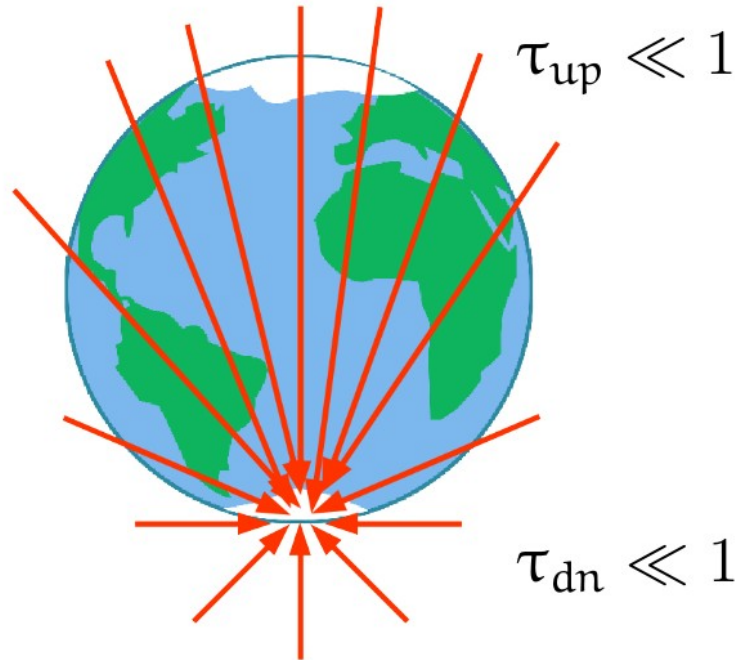
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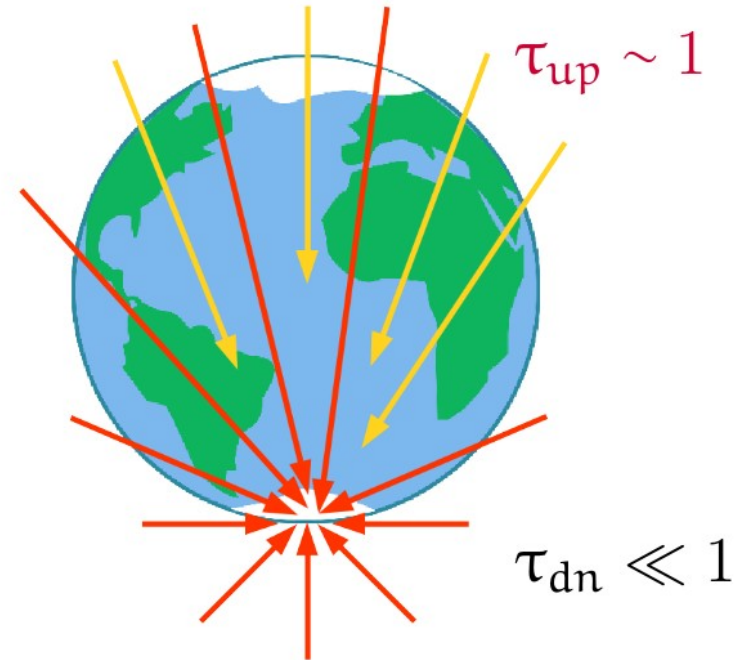
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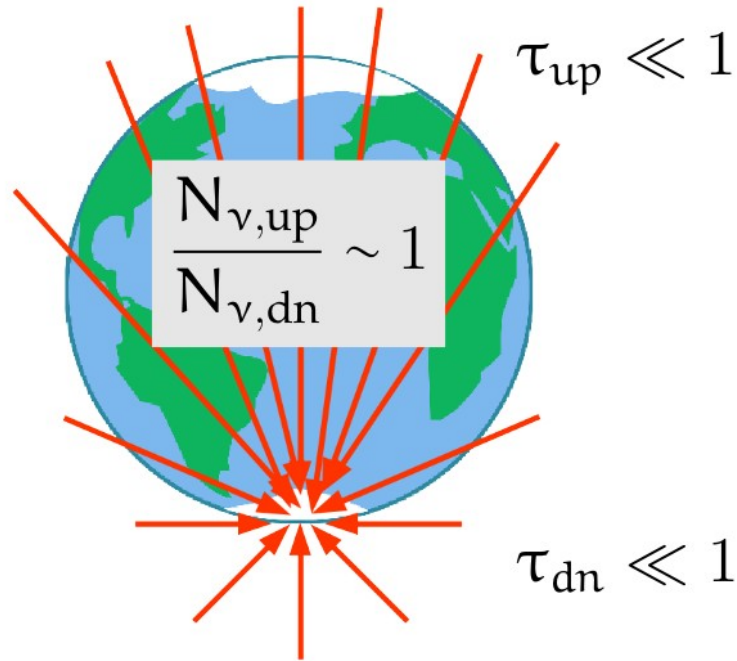
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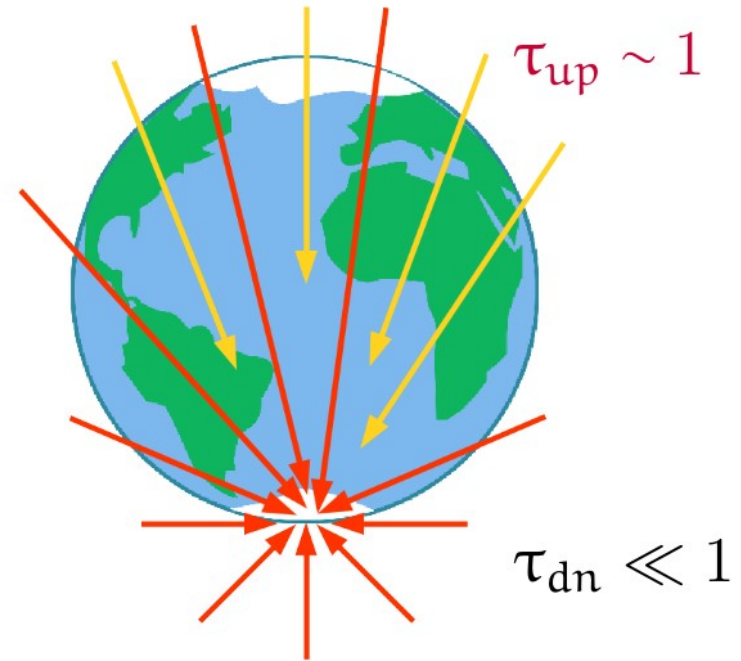
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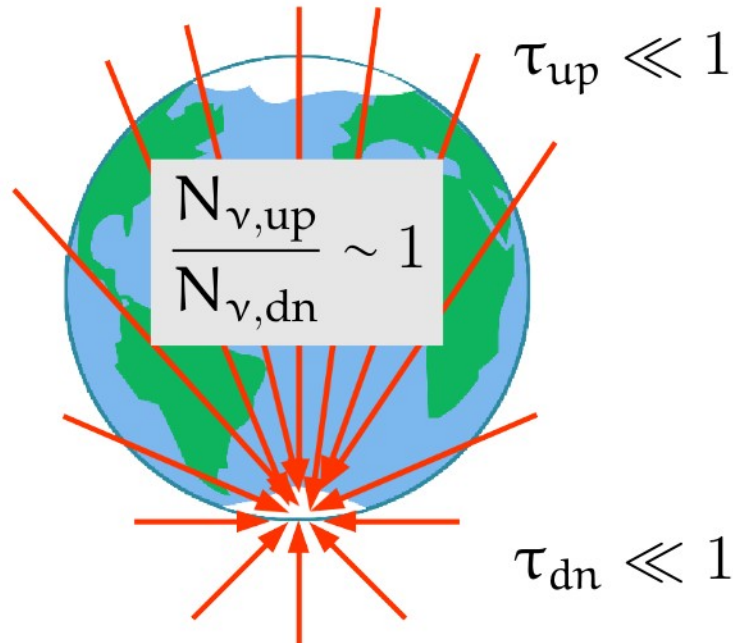
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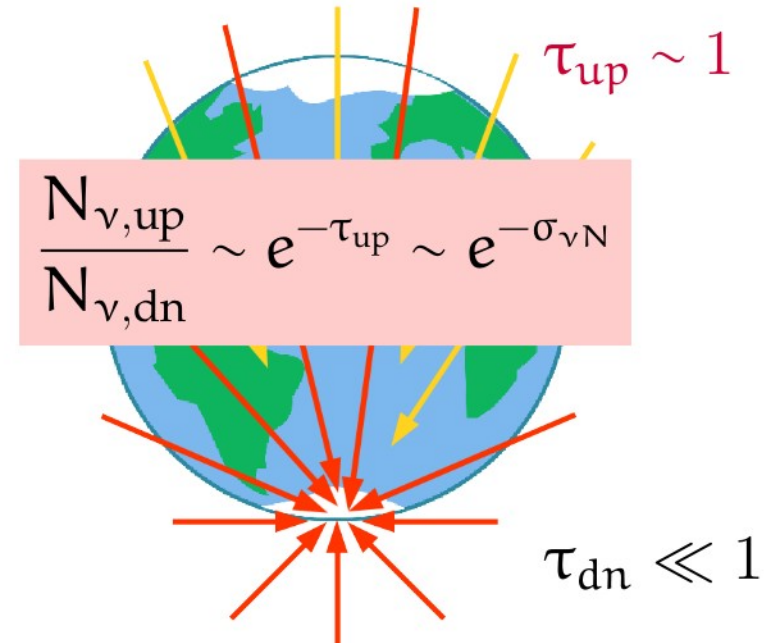
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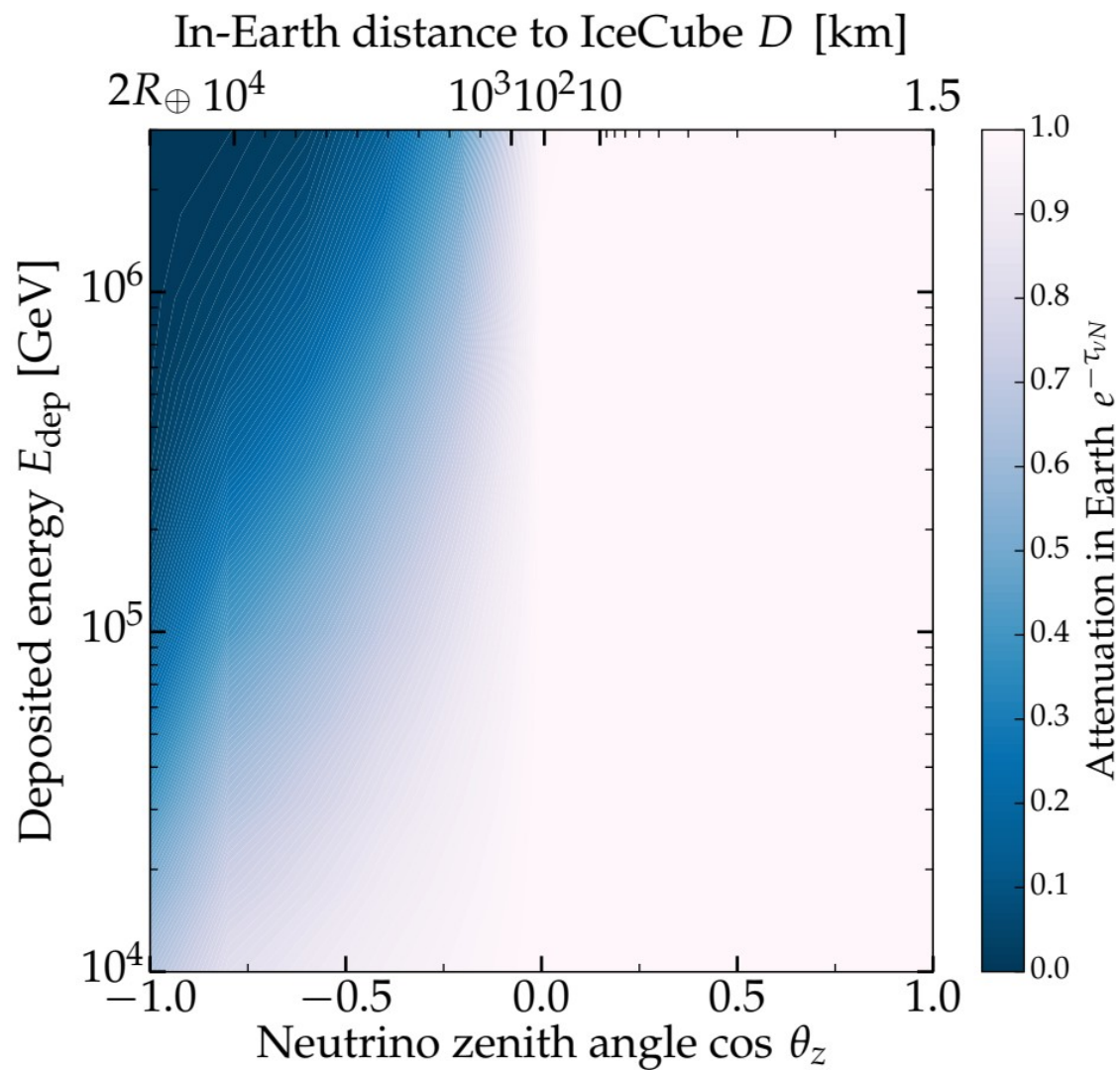
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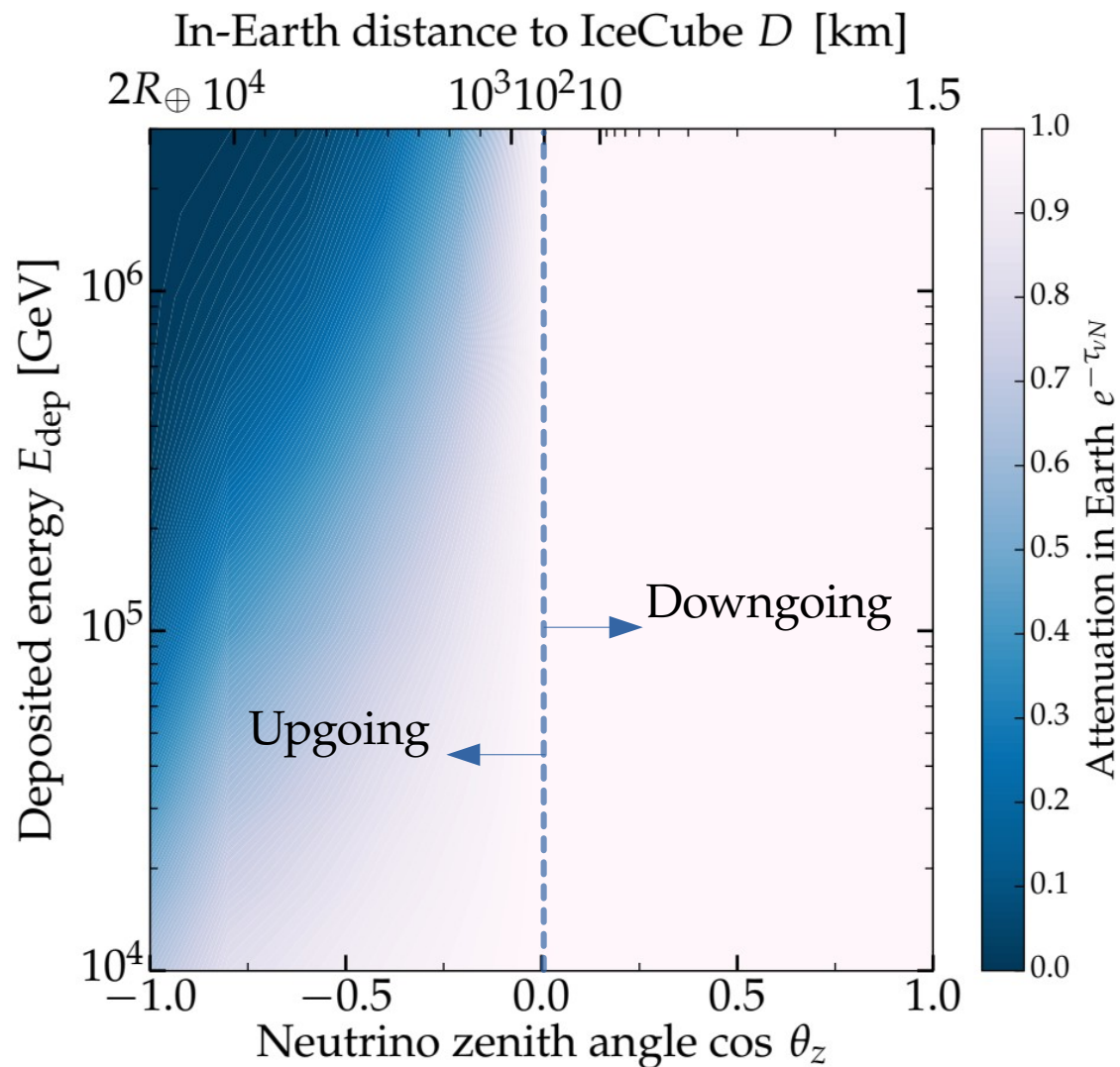
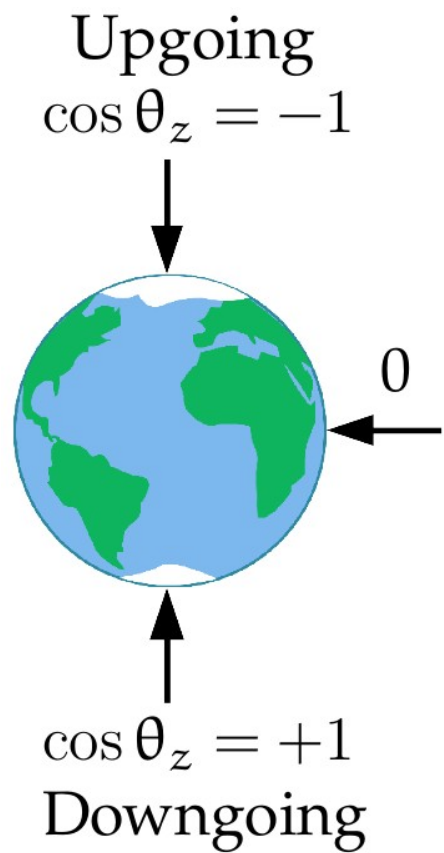
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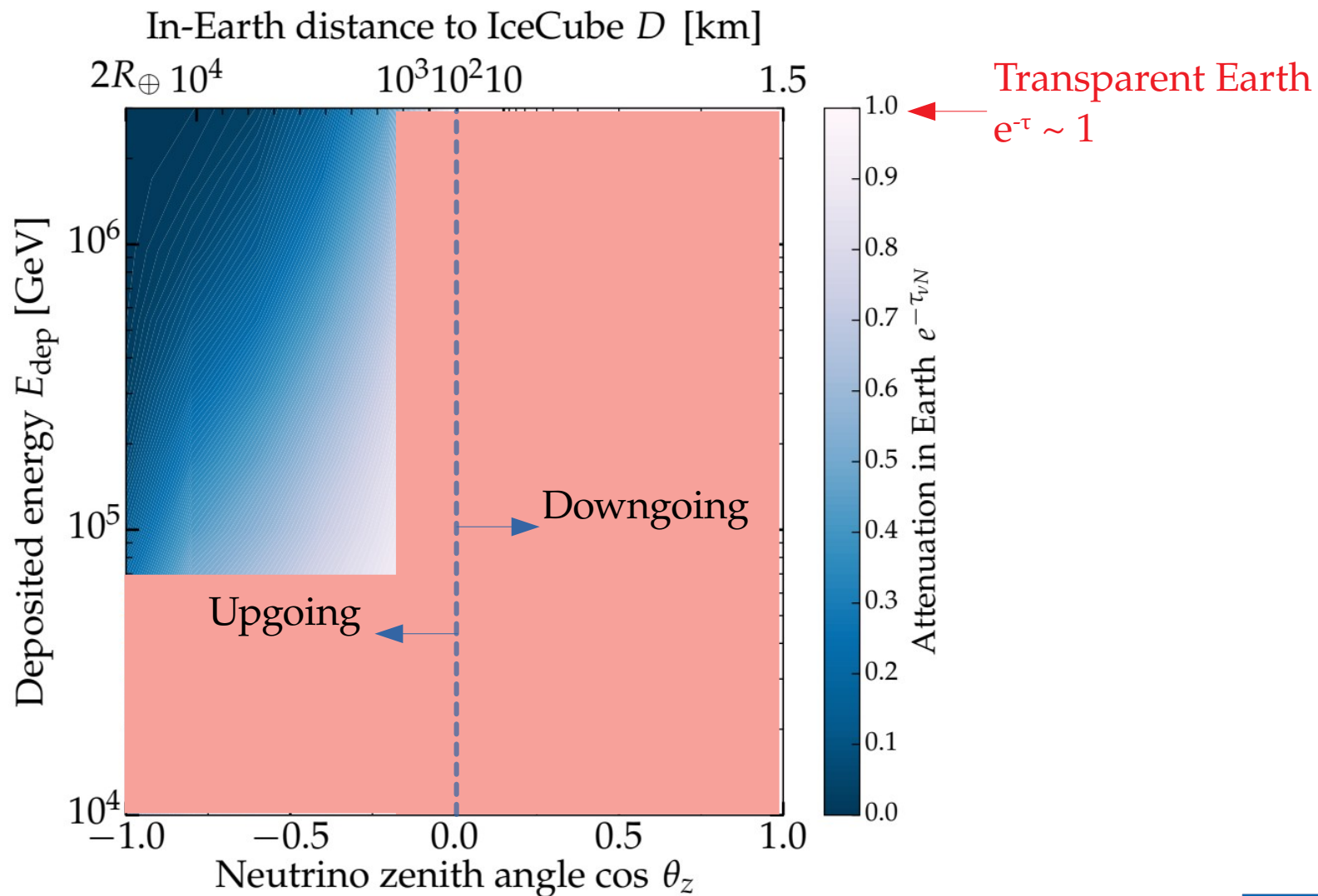
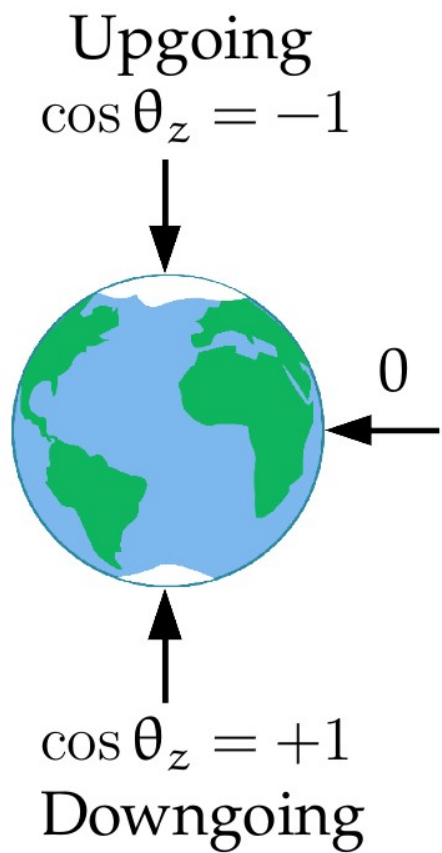


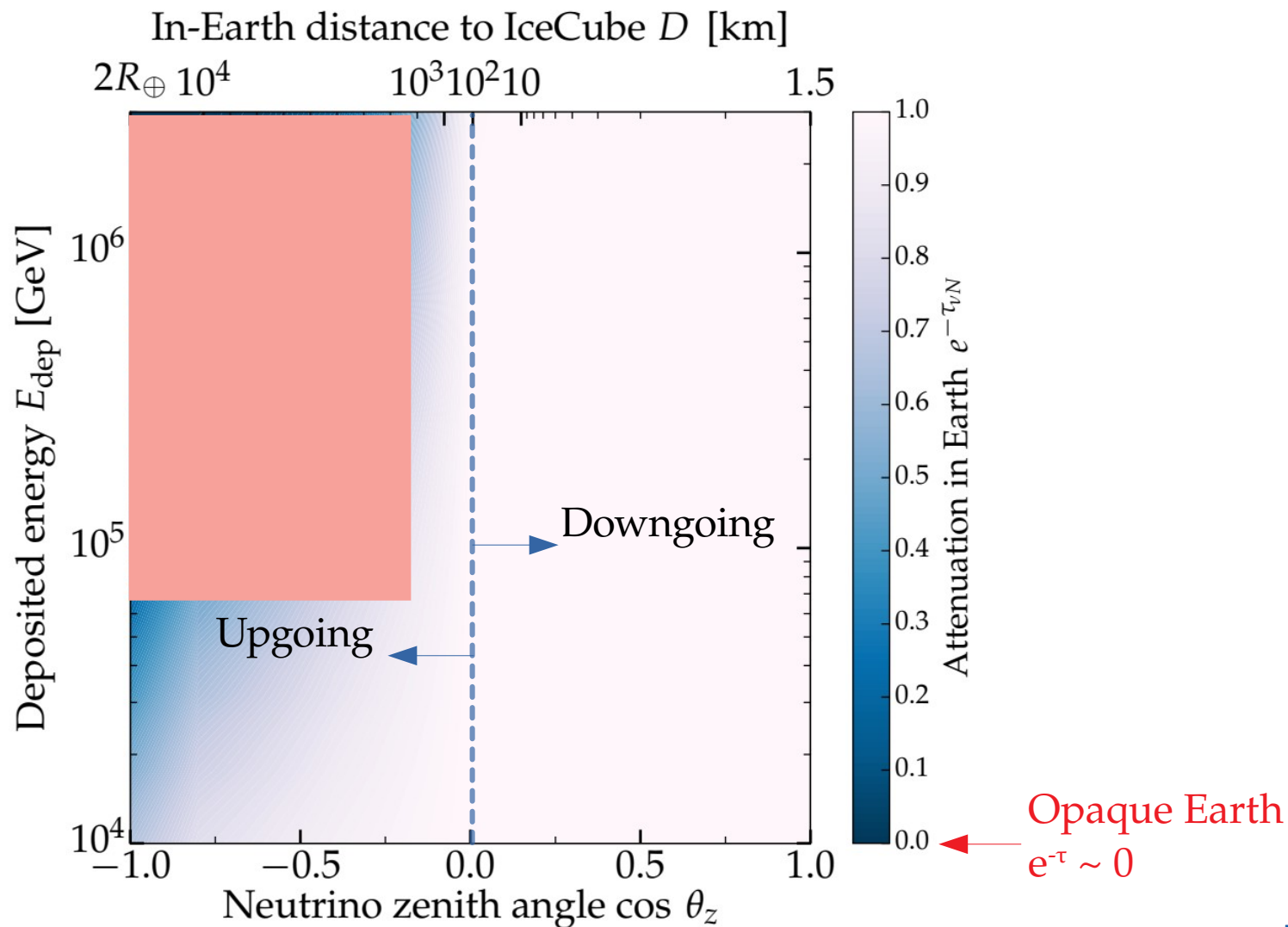
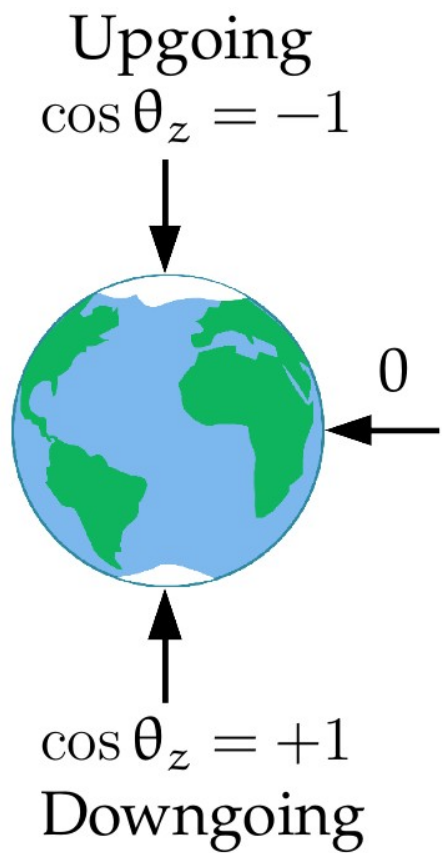
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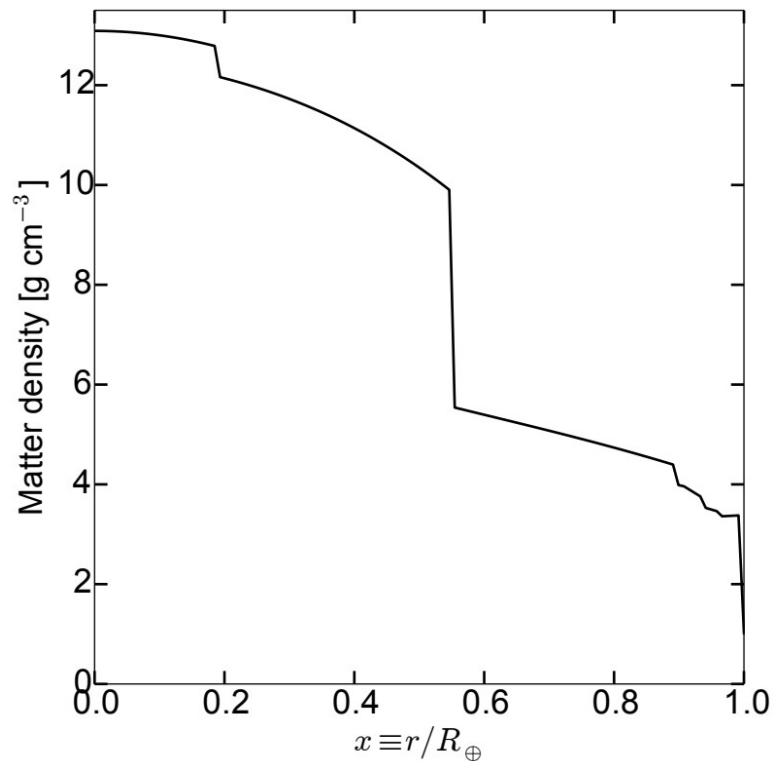




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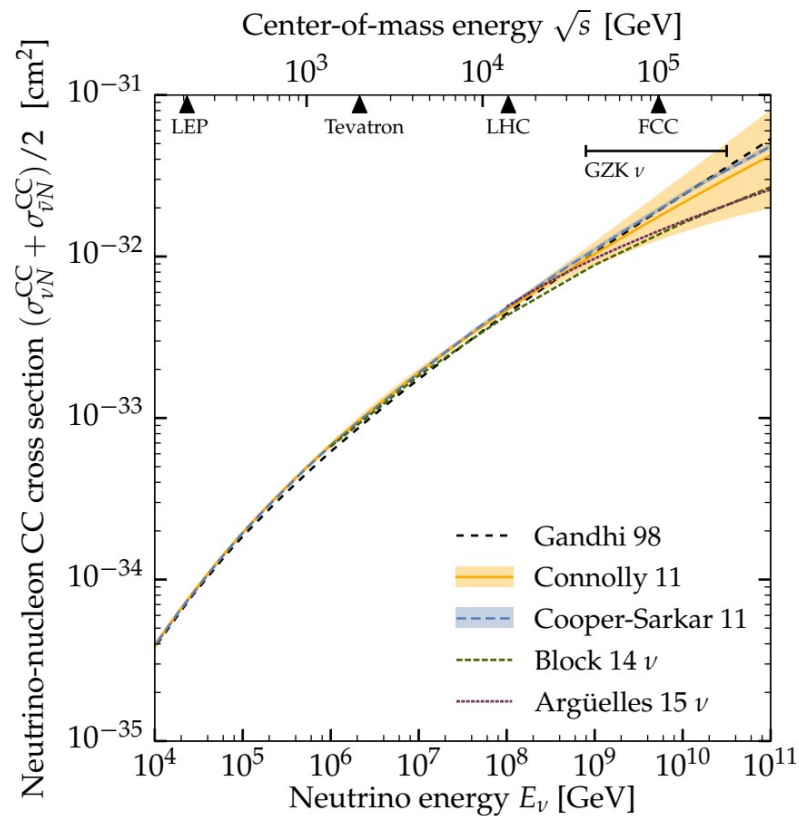
Earth matter density

(Preliminary Reference Earth Model)

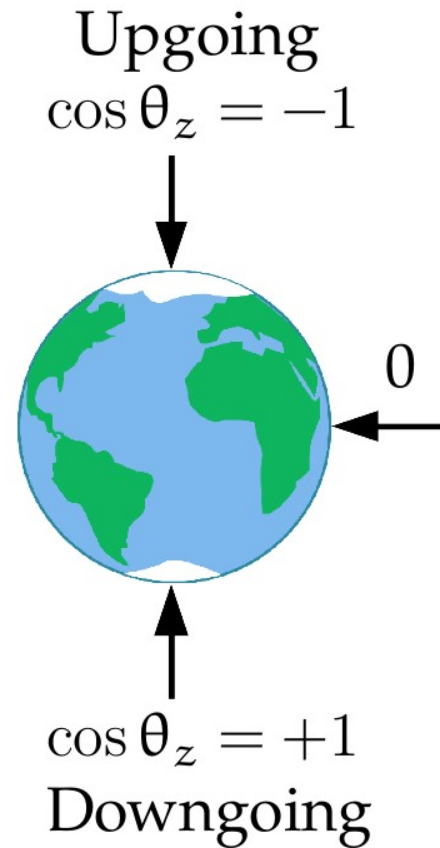
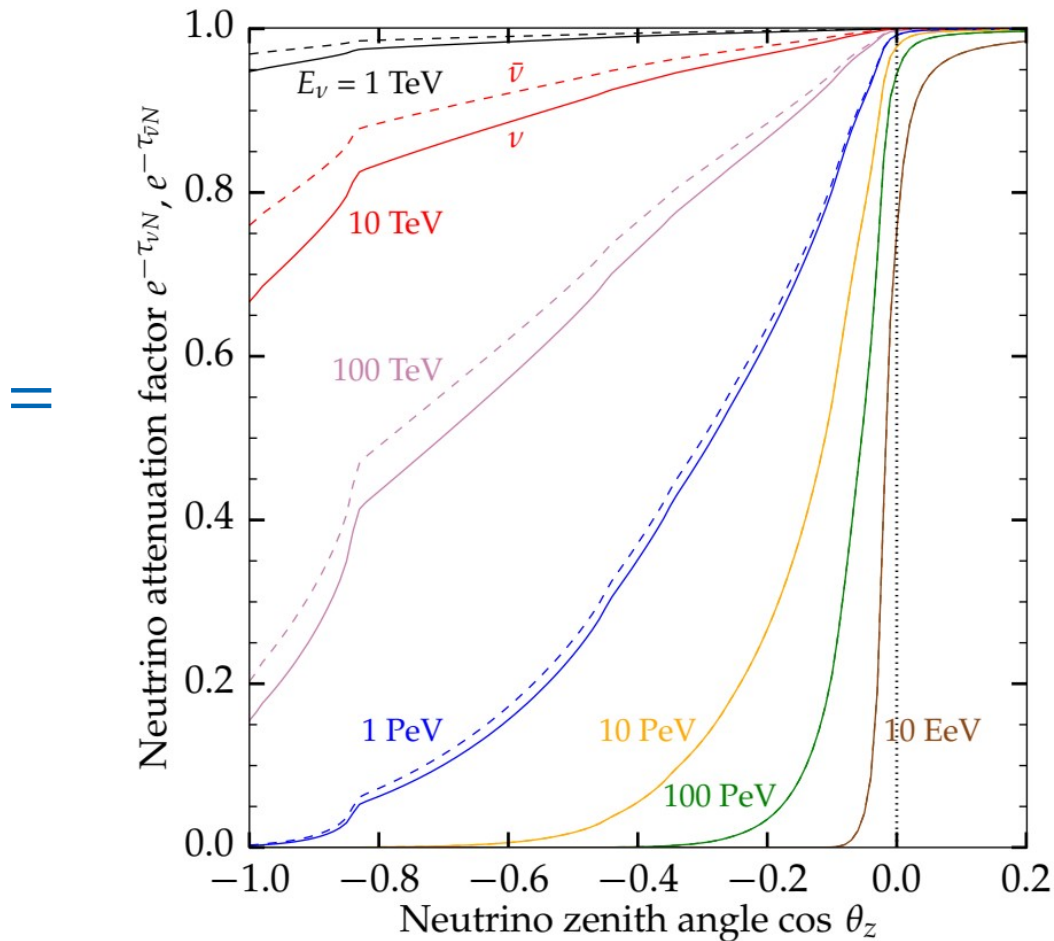


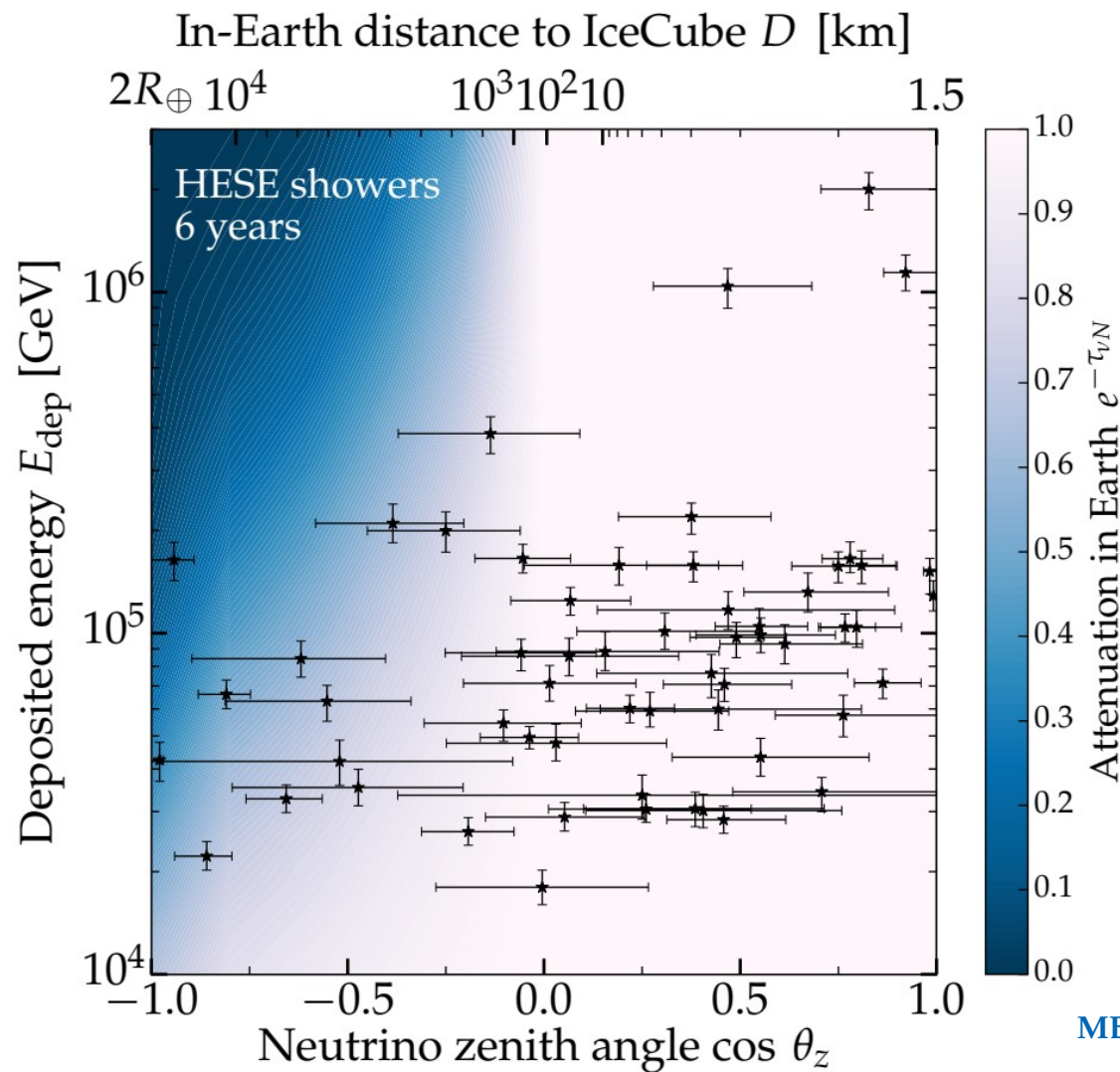
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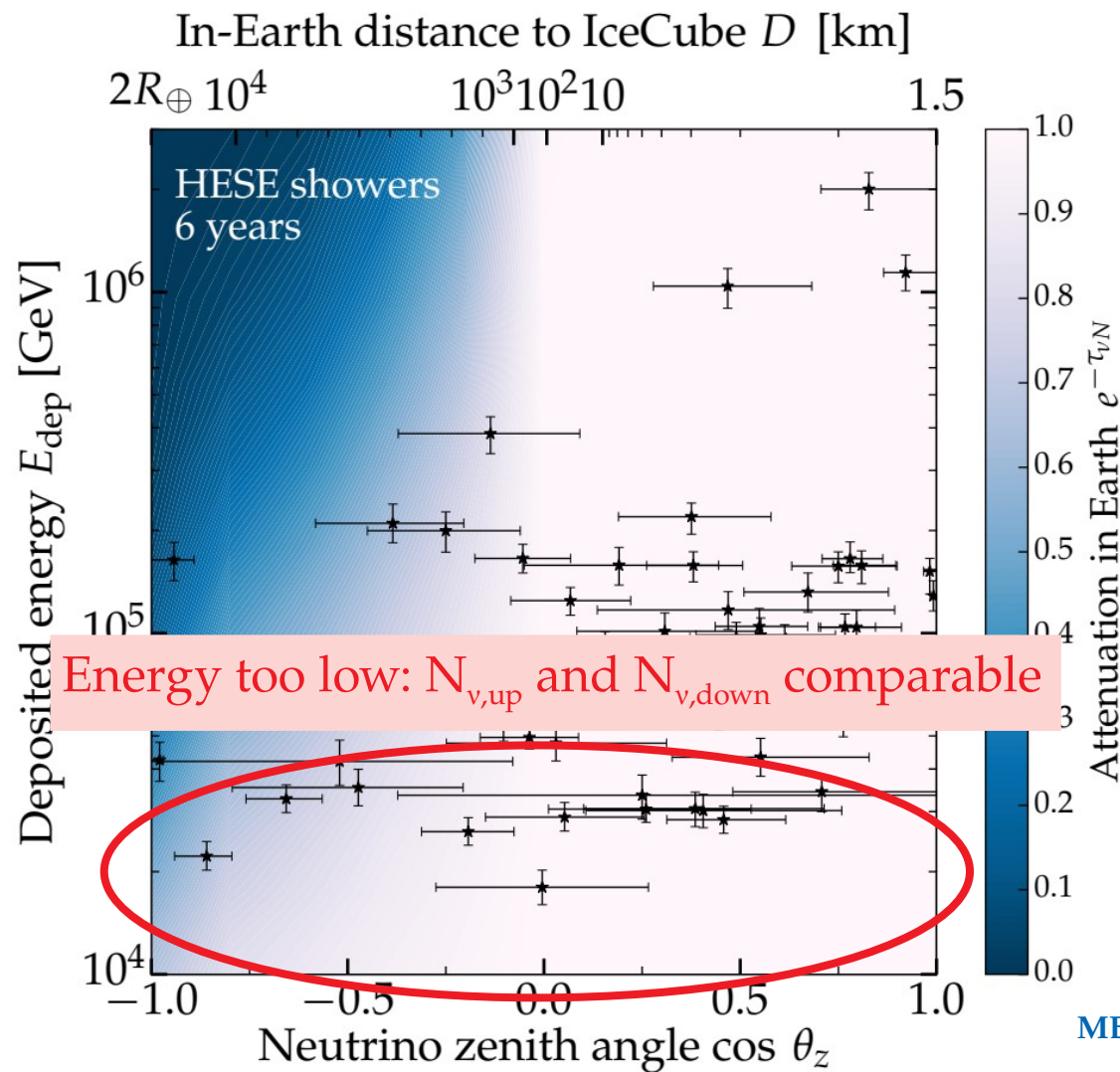


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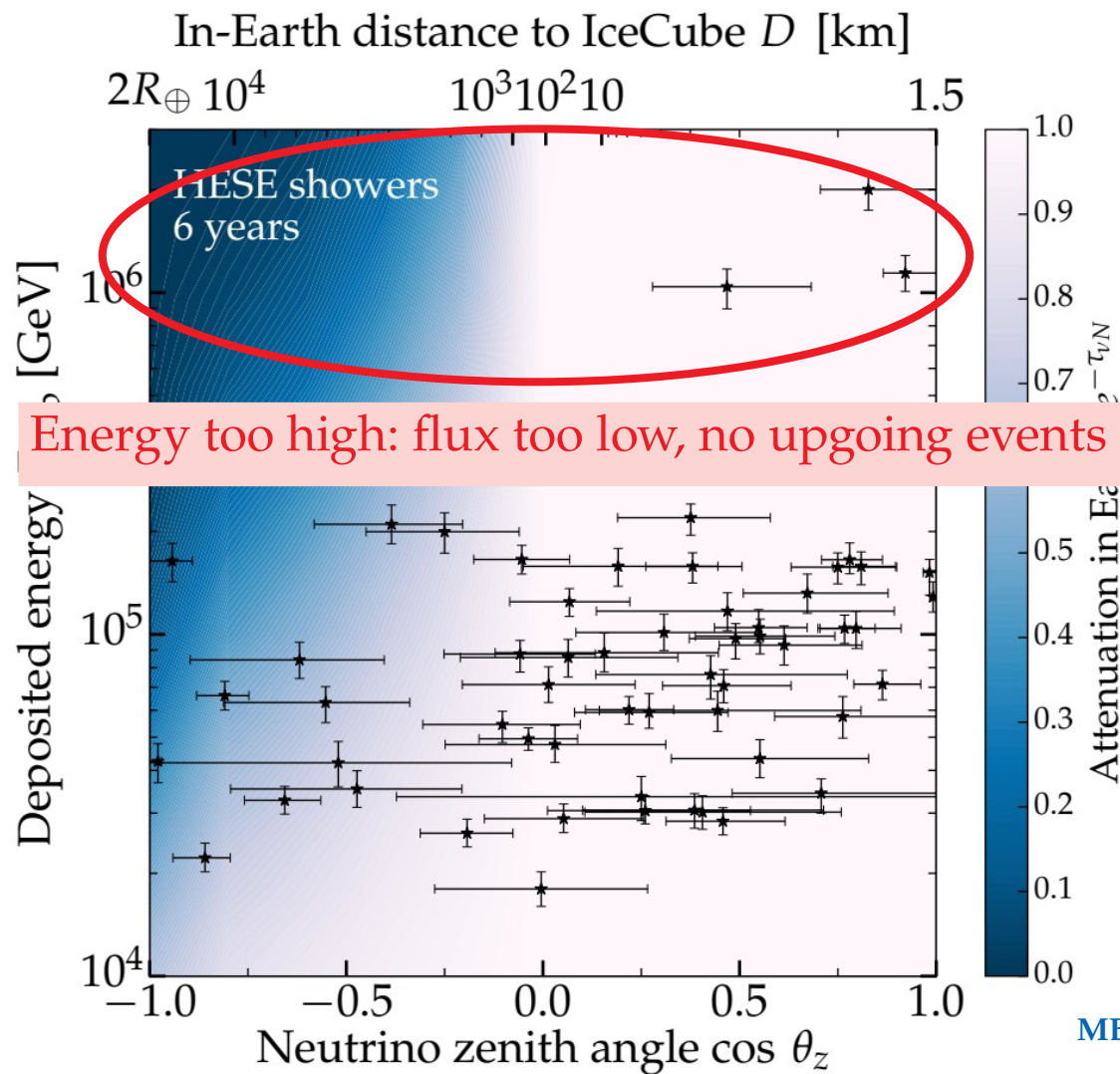




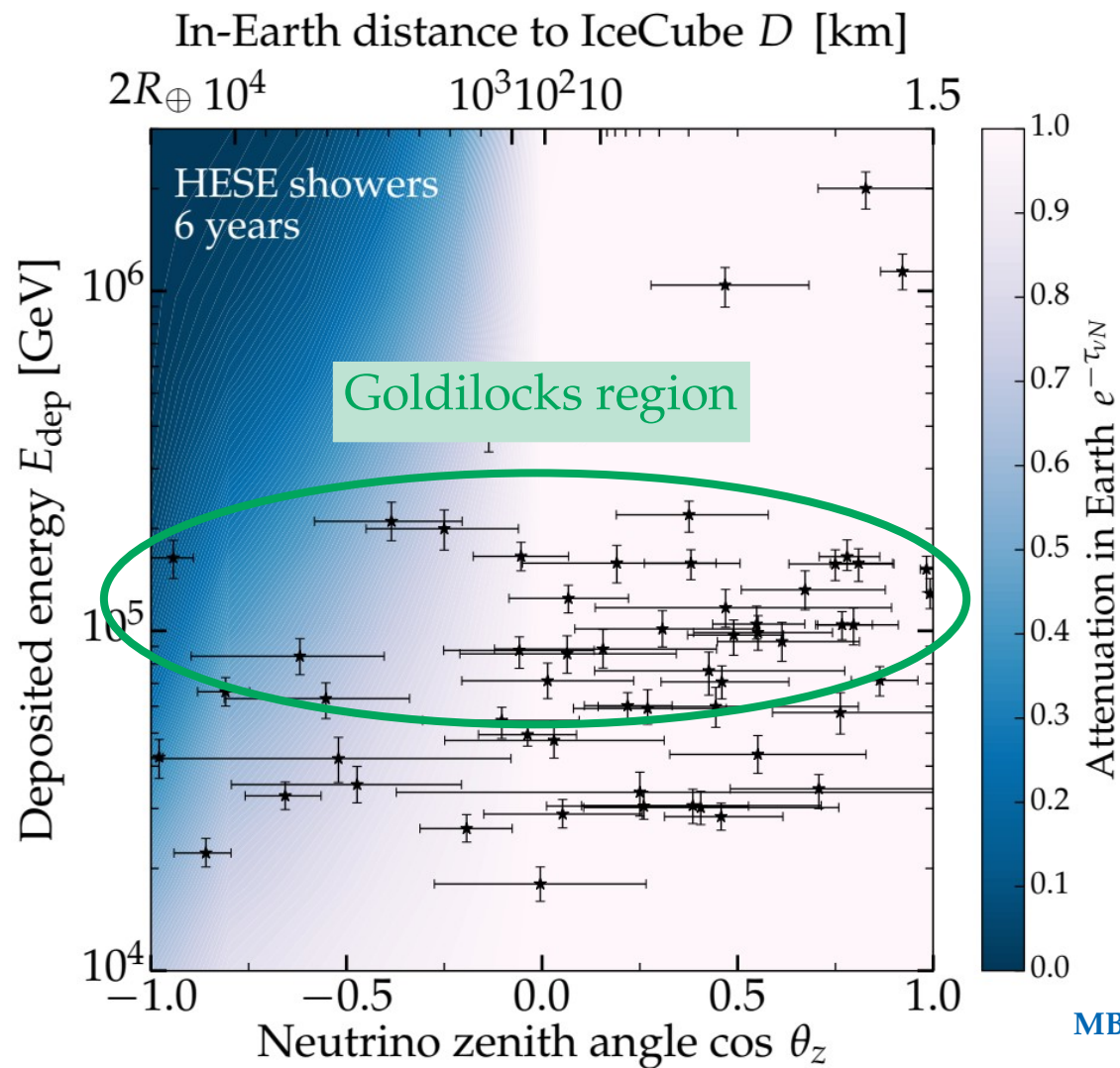
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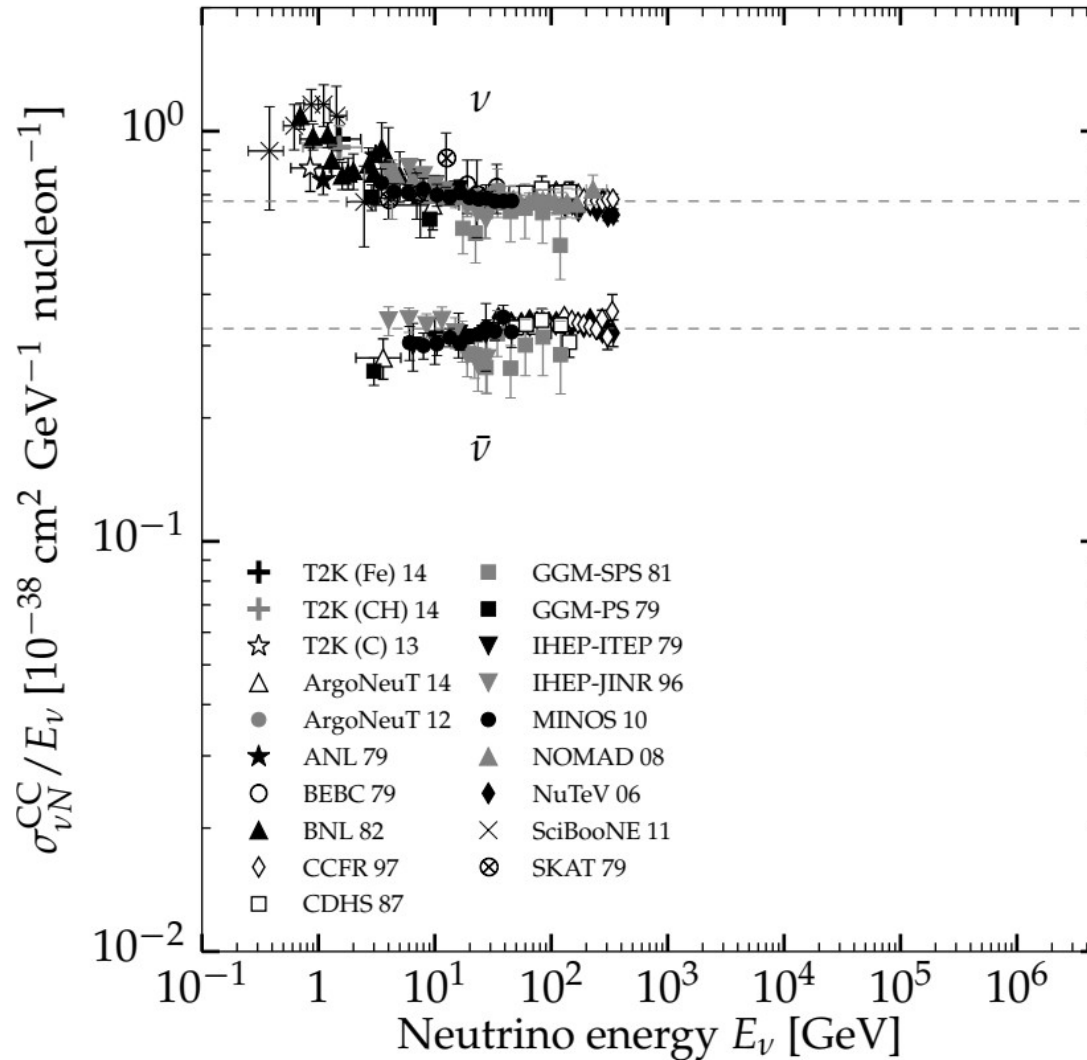
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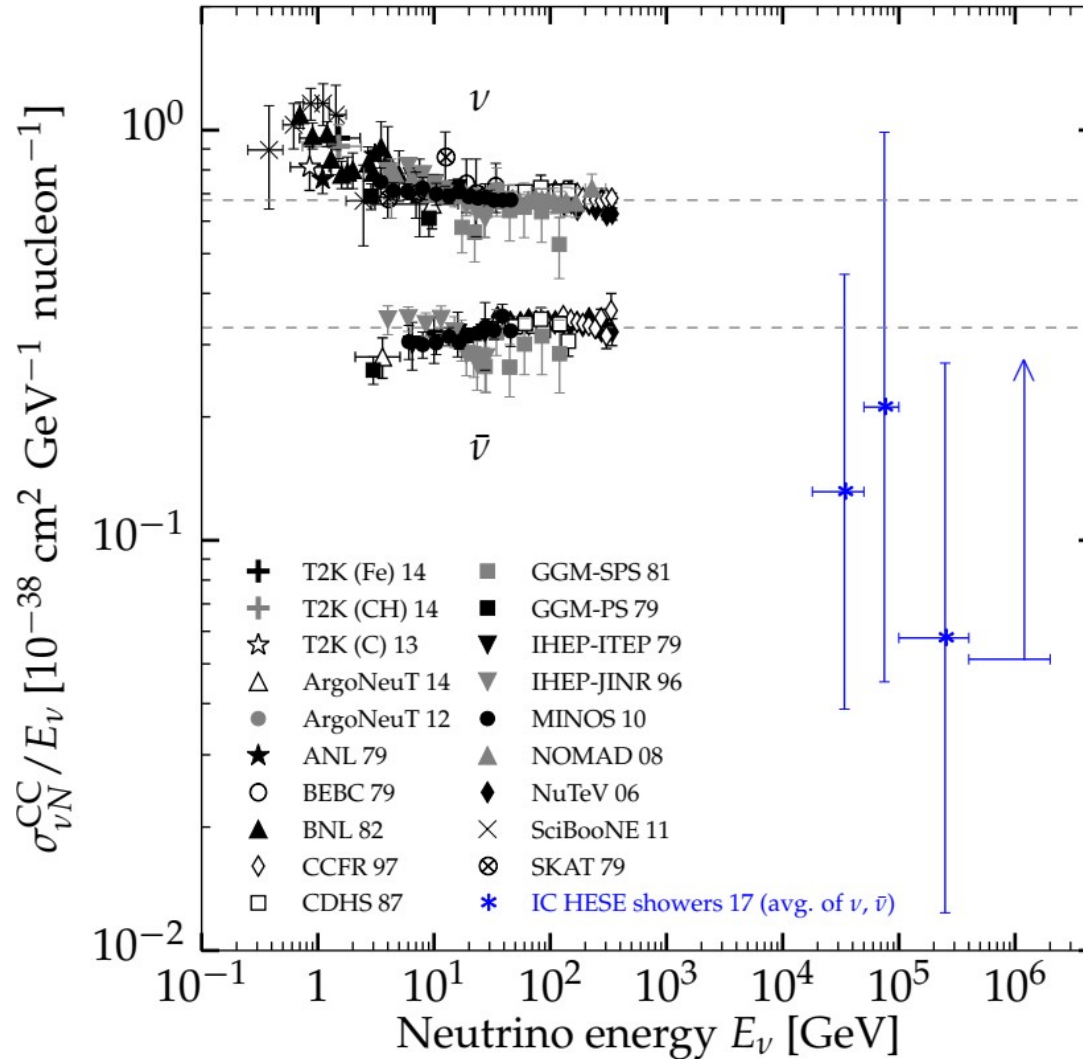


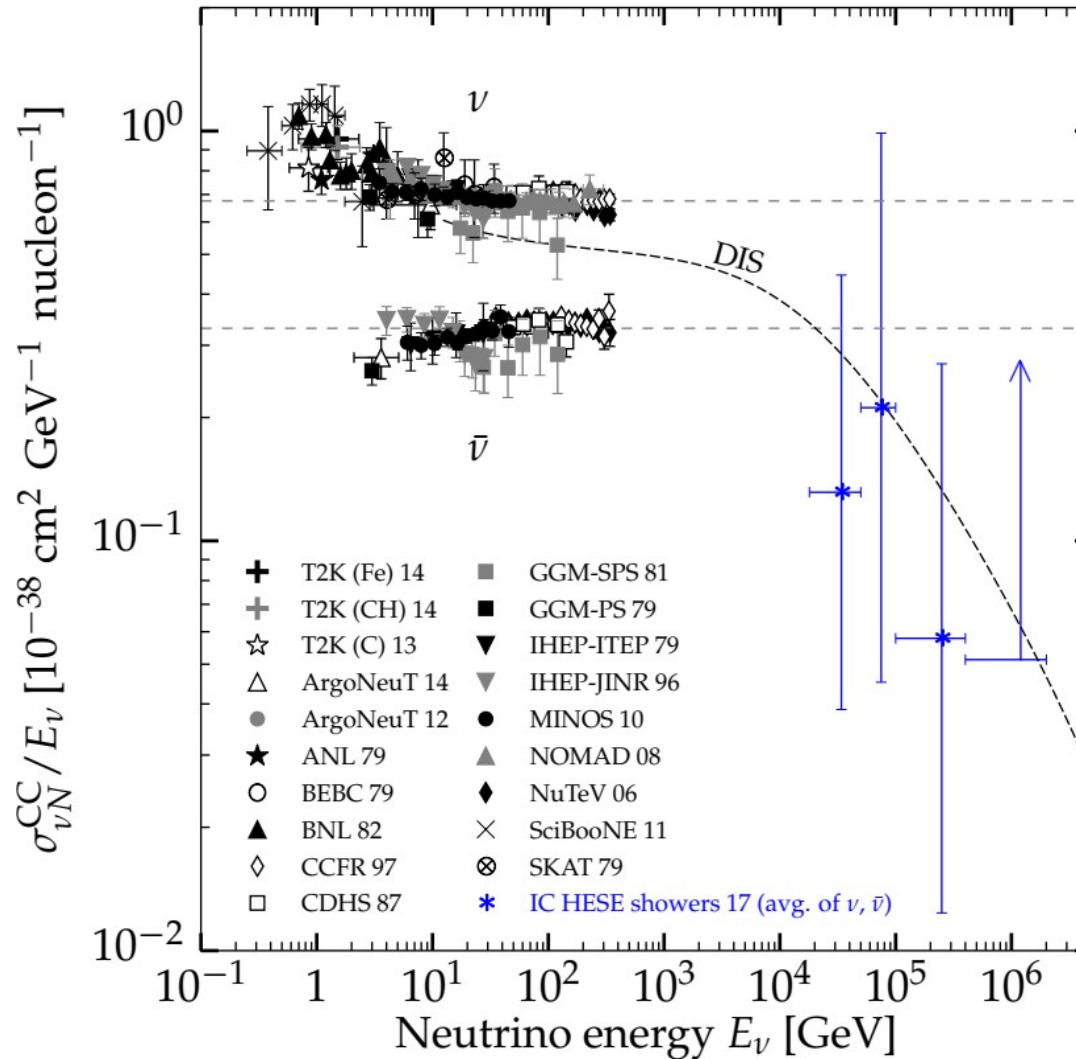
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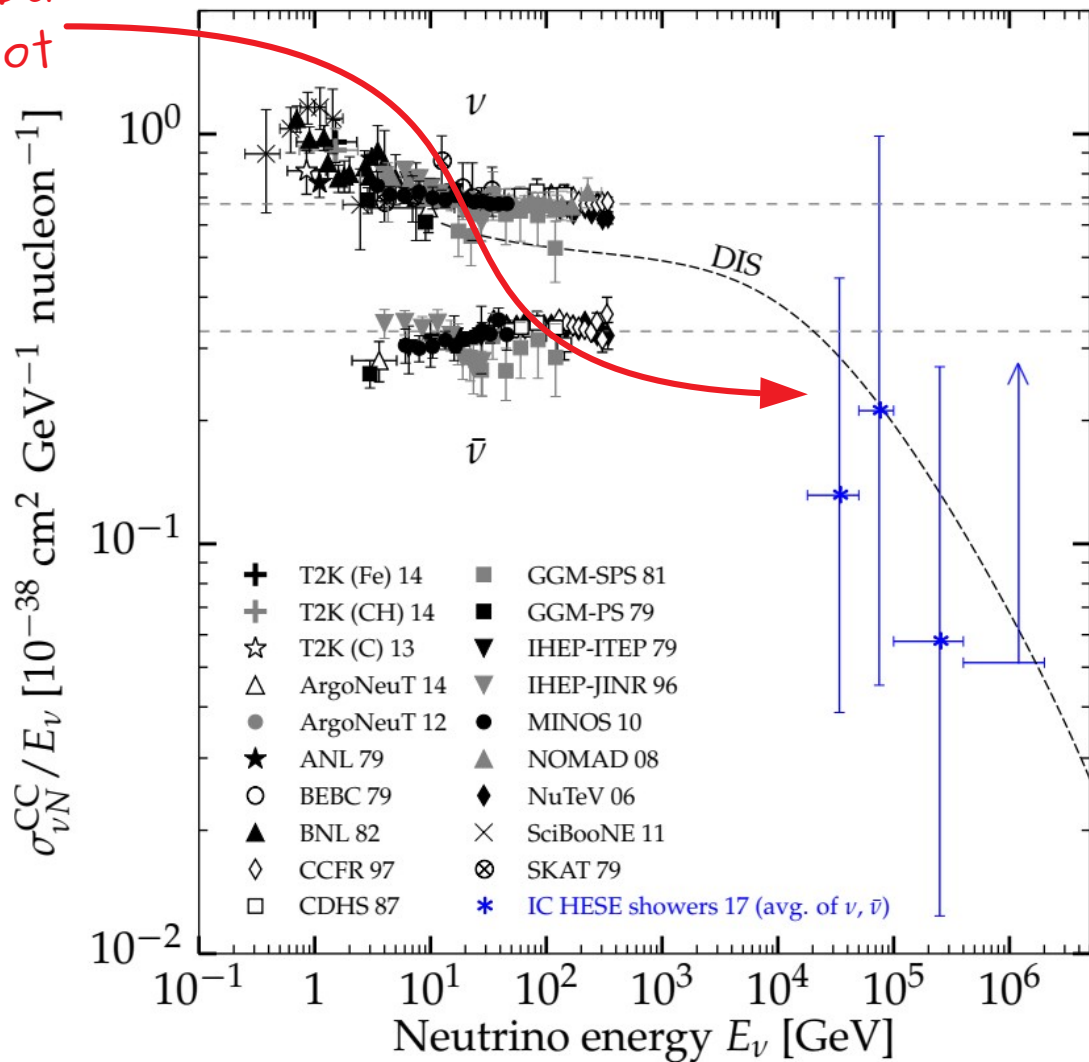
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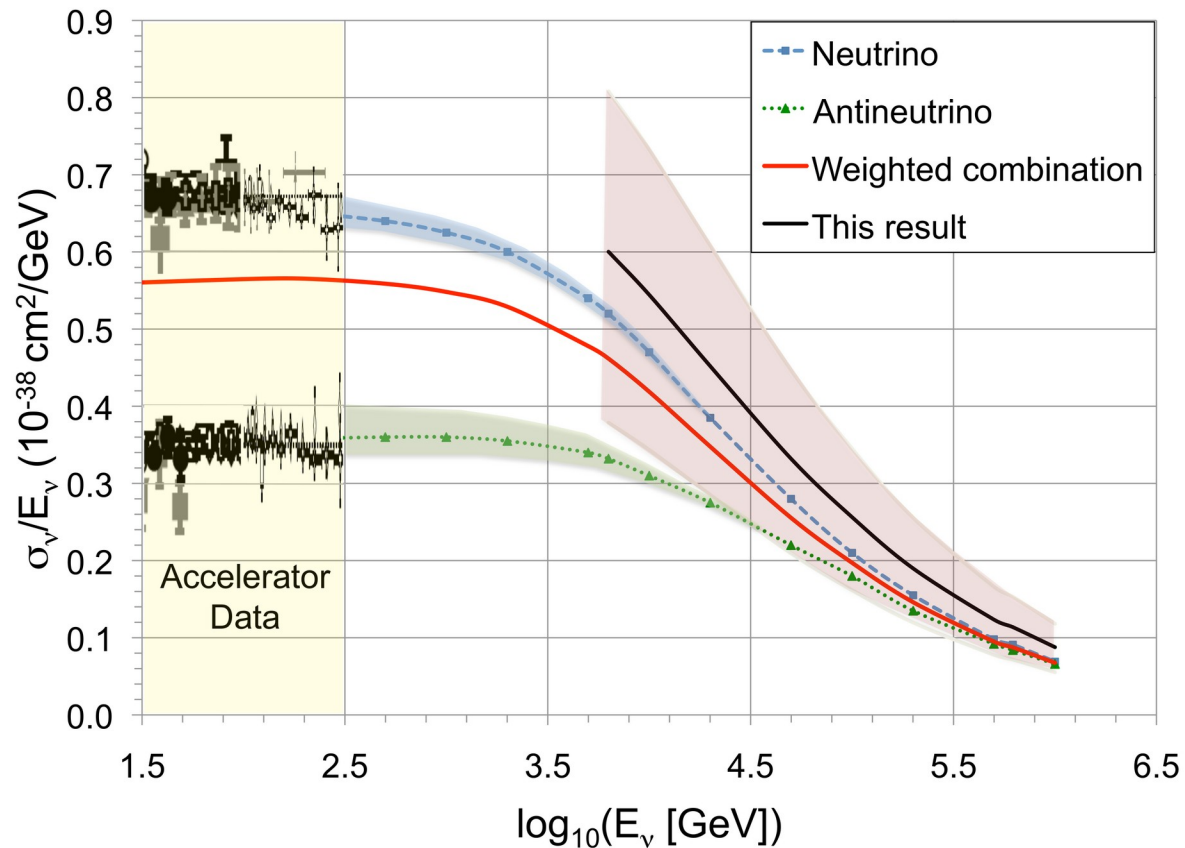
Extending the PDG
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MB & Connolly PRL 2019
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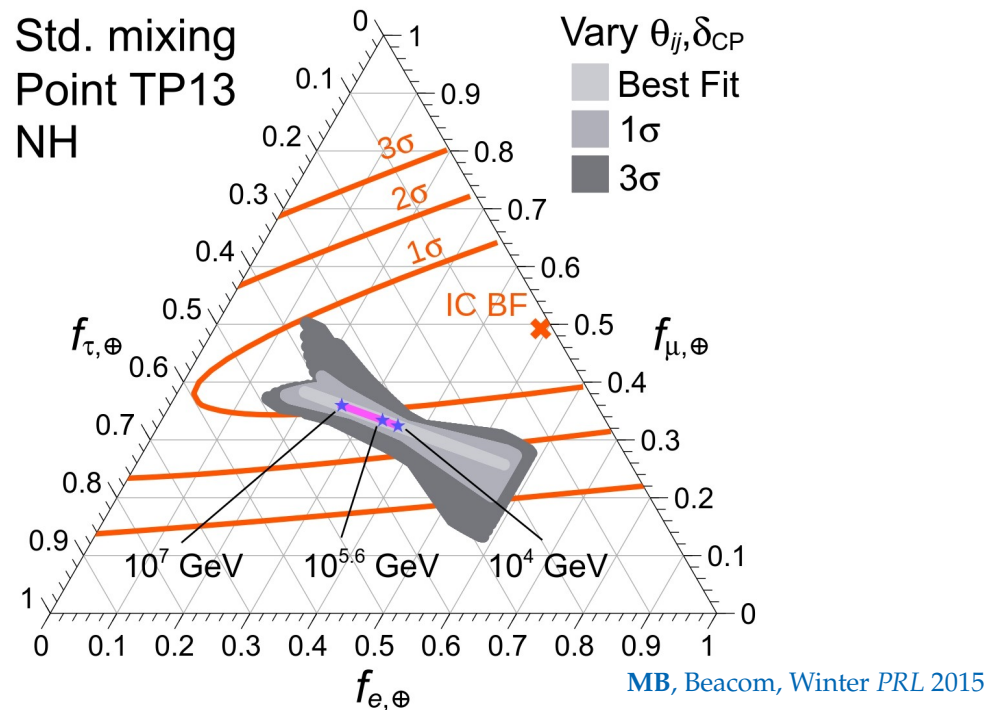
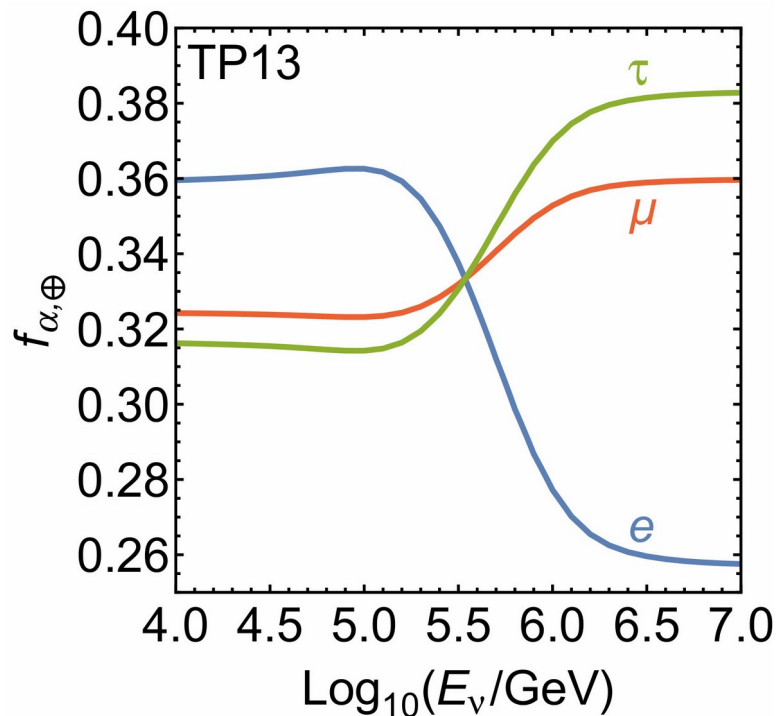
Using through-going muons instead

- ▶ Use $\sim 10^4$ through-going muons
- ▶ Measured: dE_μ/dx
- ▶ Inferred: $E_\mu \approx dE_\mu/dx$
- ▶ From simulations (uncertain):
most likely E_ν given E_μ
- ▶ Fit the ratio $\sigma_{\text{obs}}/\sigma_{\text{SM}}$
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- ▶ All events grouped in a single
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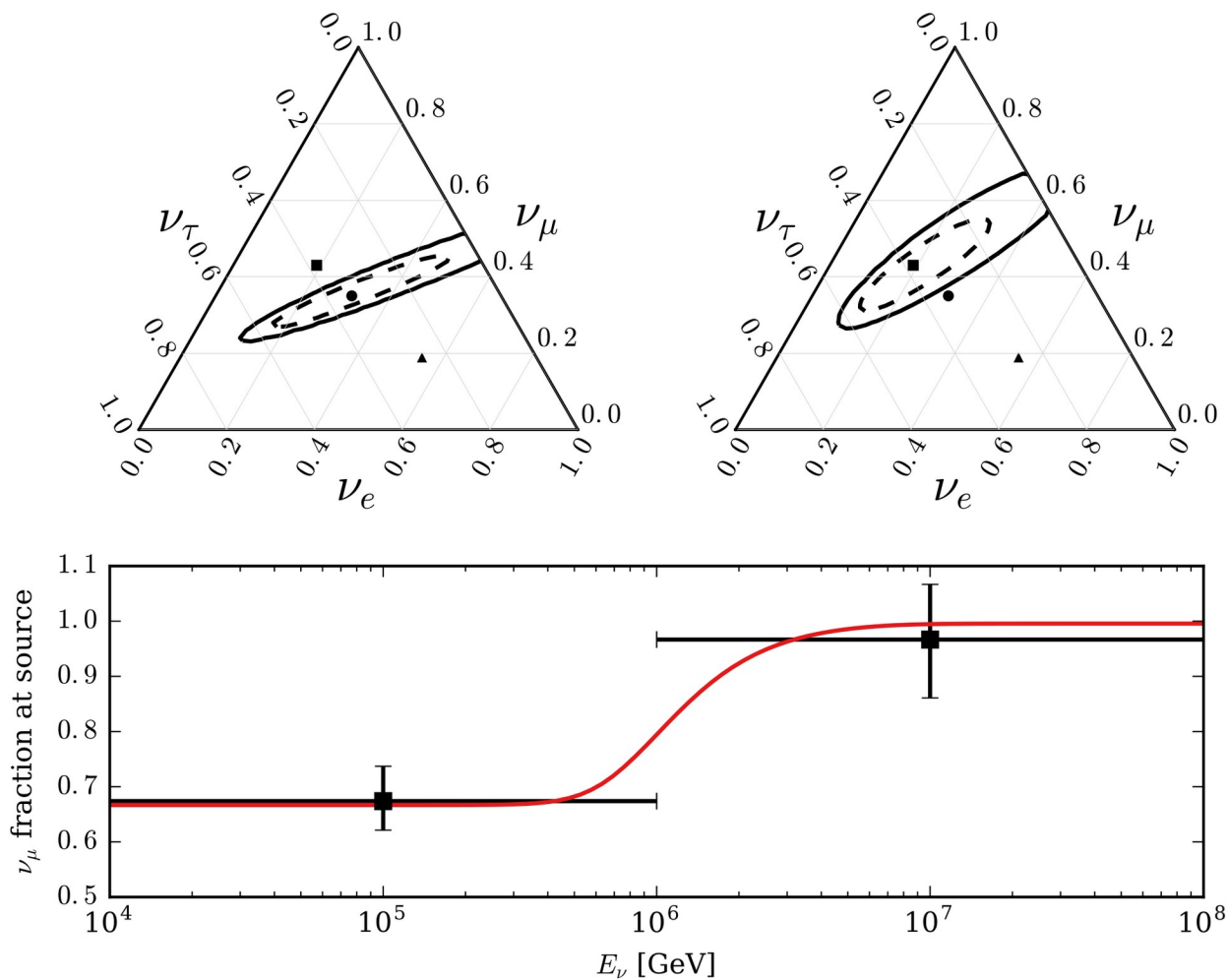
Energy dependence of the flavor composition?

Different neutrino production channels accessible at different energies –



- ▶ TP13: $p\gamma$ model, target photons from electron-positron annihilation [Hümmer+, *Astropart. Phys.* 2010]
- ▶ Will be difficult to resolve [Kashti, Waxman, *PRL* 2005; Lipari, Lusignoli, Meloni, *PRD* 2007]

... Observable in IceCube-Gen2?



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