

**IceCube**

# First results of the IceCube Observatory on High Energy Neutrino Astronomy

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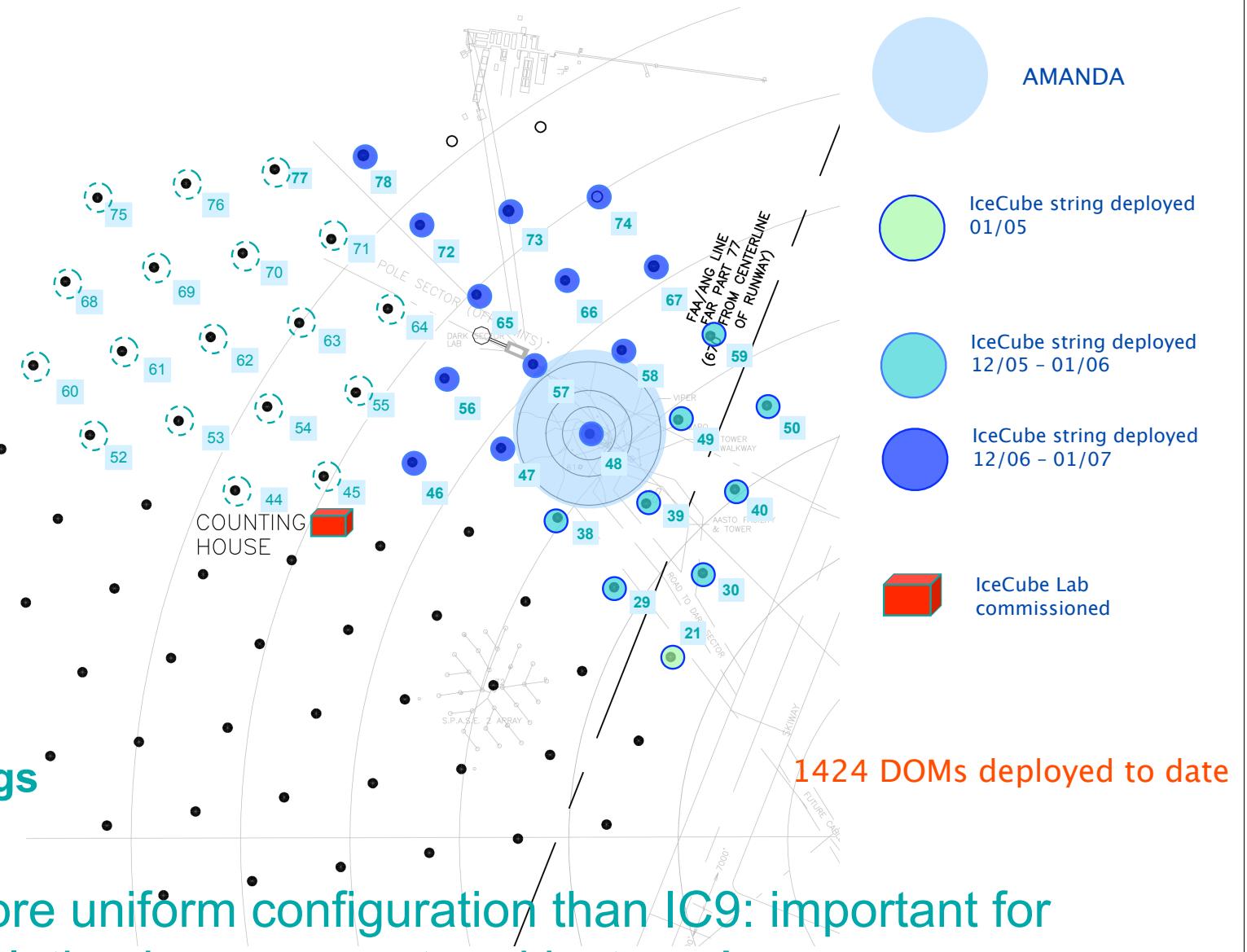
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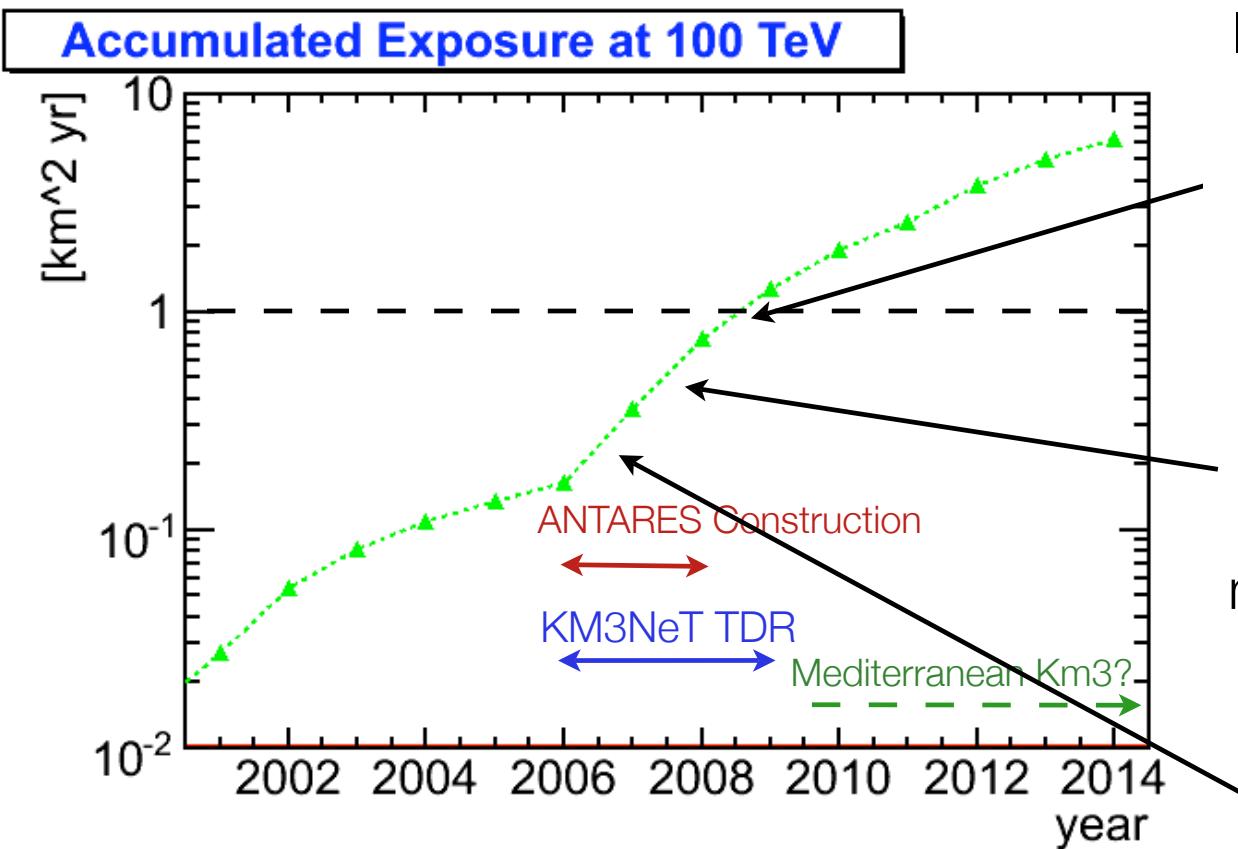
# 2005-2008 configurations

**1+ 9 + 13 =  
22 strings  
to date  
+26 IceTop  
stations**

**2007/08: add .  
14-18 strings  
2011: 80 strings**



# IceCube Accumulated Exposure with time



IC36-40: Science Run starts in Apr 2008 (GLAST launch Jan 2008)

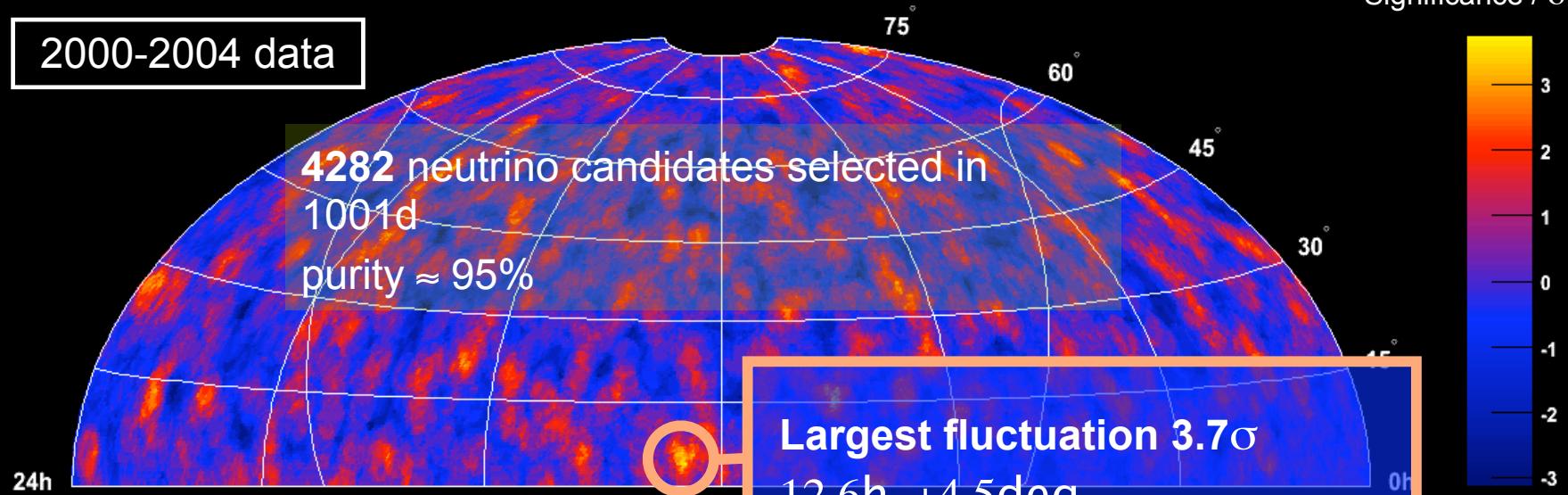
IC22: Science Run started in May 2007 until Mar 2008 more uniform than IC9  
Milagro, VERITAS, Magic, Argo,...

Jun-Nov 2006 data  
IC9≈AMANDA-II sensitivity  
Point-source results presented at ICRC2007

Effective area for muons at 100 TeV

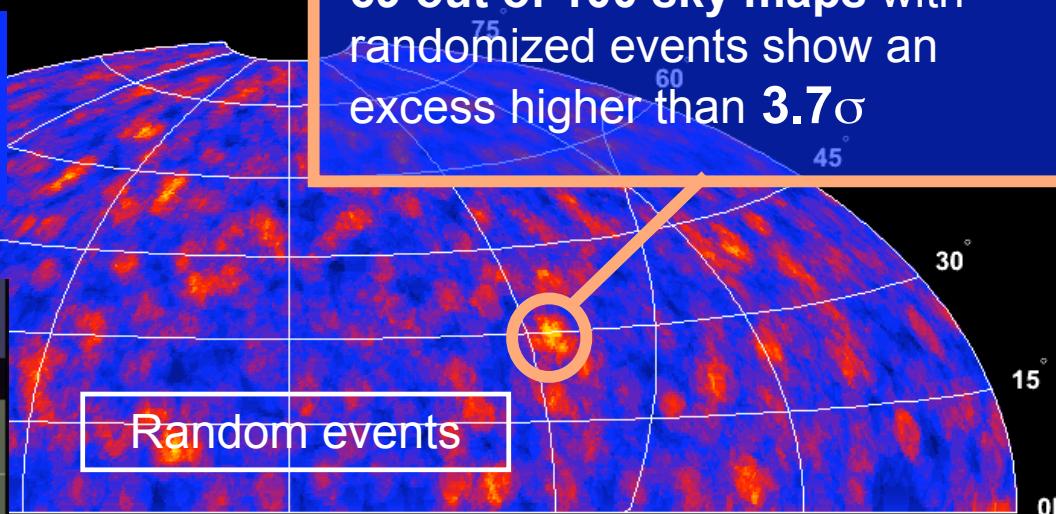
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2000-2004 data

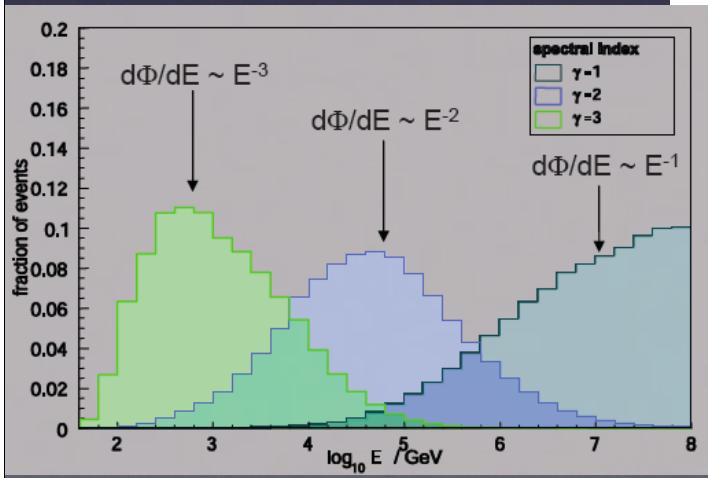
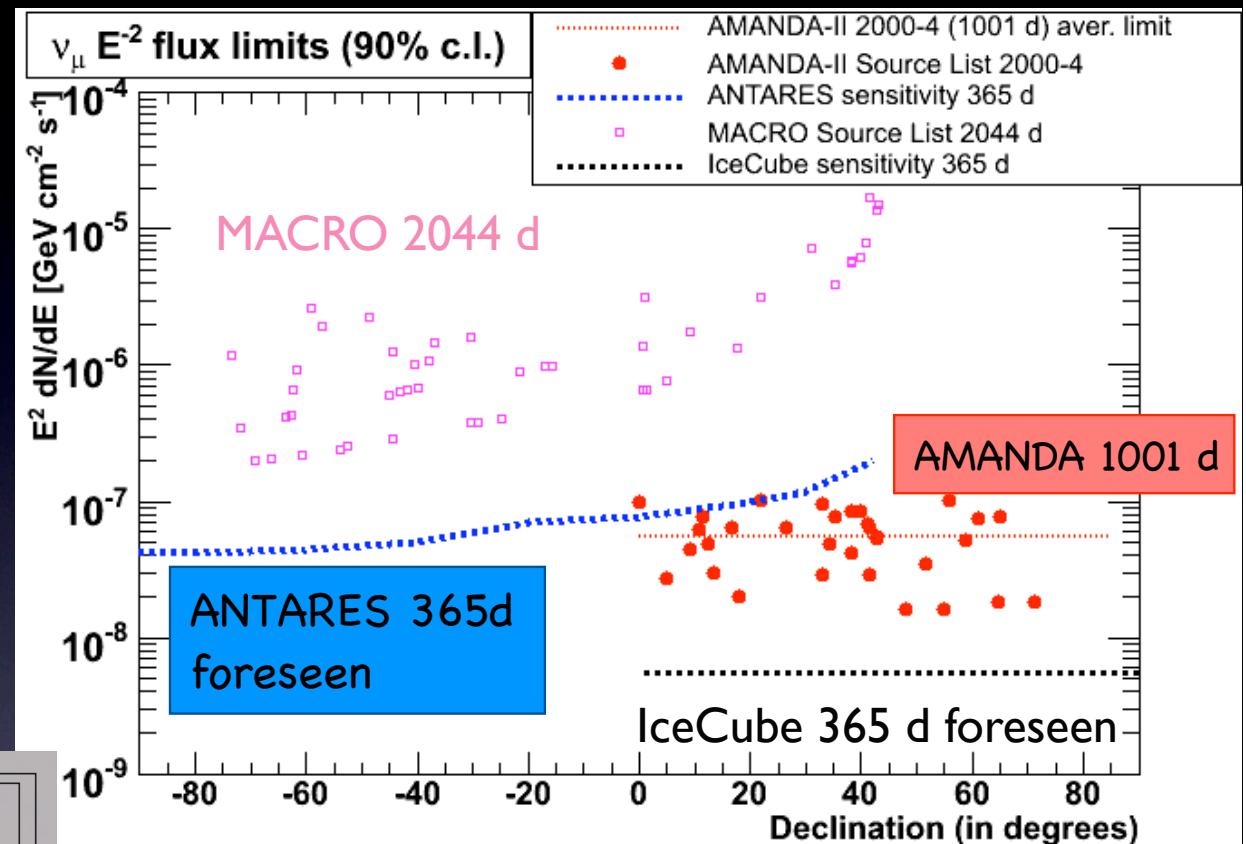


Largest fluctuation in  
AMANDA-II between  
33 sources

Crab nebula	
$N_{\text{observed}}$	10
$N_{\text{background}}$	6.74

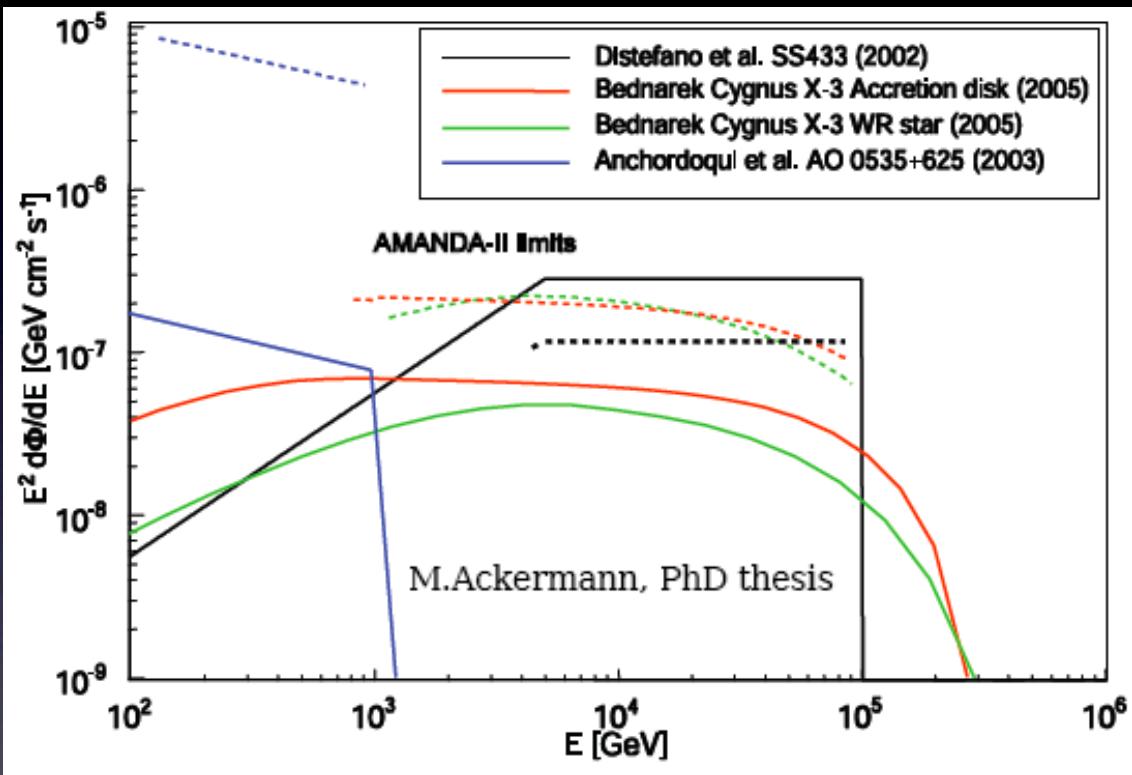


# Flux limits and sensitivities



MACRO: astro-ph/0002492  
 AMANDA: astro-ph/0611063  
 ANTARES: A. Heijboer, Ph.D. thesis  
 IceCube:astro-ph/030519

# An example of interpretation: X-Ray Binaries



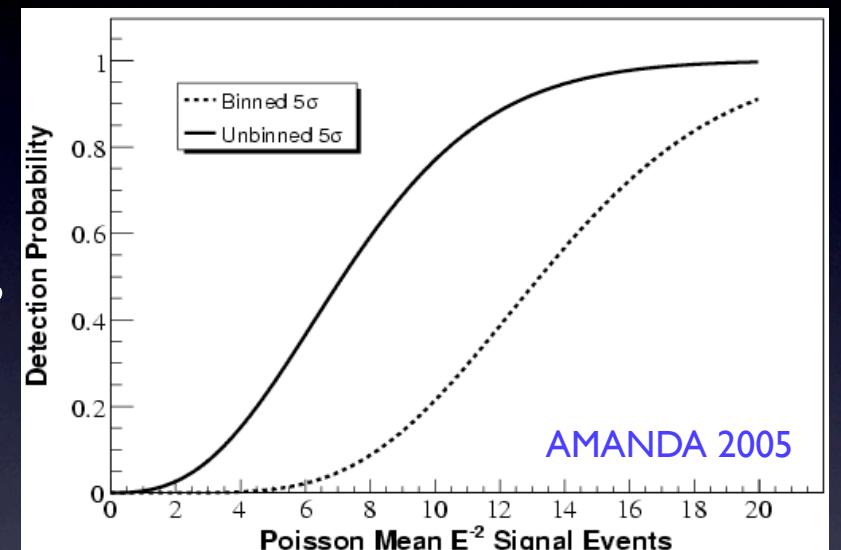
SS433	
$N_{\text{obs}} / N_{\text{bg}}$	4 / 6.14
Cygnus X-3	
$N_{\text{obs}} / N_{\text{bg}}$	7 / 6.48
AO 0535+625	
$N_{\text{obs}} / N_{\text{bg}}$	7 / 6.48

- Distefano et al.:  $\gamma\gamma$ -interaction in the jet with int. and ext. photons ( $N_{v,\text{exp}} = 7.8$  for SS 433)
- Bednarek: pp-interaction in WR star and accretion disk after photo-dissoziation of heavy nuclei in the jet ( $N_{v,\text{exp}} = 2.1 / 1.4$  for Cygnus X-3)
- Anchordoqui et al.: Protons accelerated in electrostatic gap interact in accretion disk ( $N_{v,\text{exp}} = 0.12$  for AO 0535+625)



# 2005-6 AMANDA-II and IceCube analysis

- likelihood method utilizes event direction, detector PSF and energy estimator (eg Nch)
- improves up to 40%
- time dependent LH can be introduced (eg lightcurve from X-ray, TeV, optical telescopes)



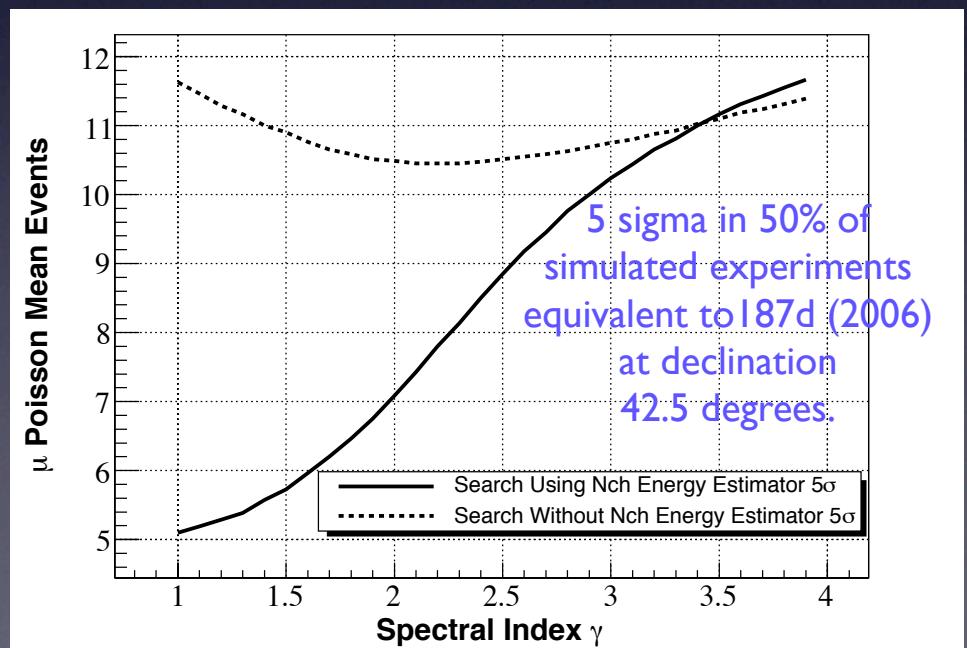
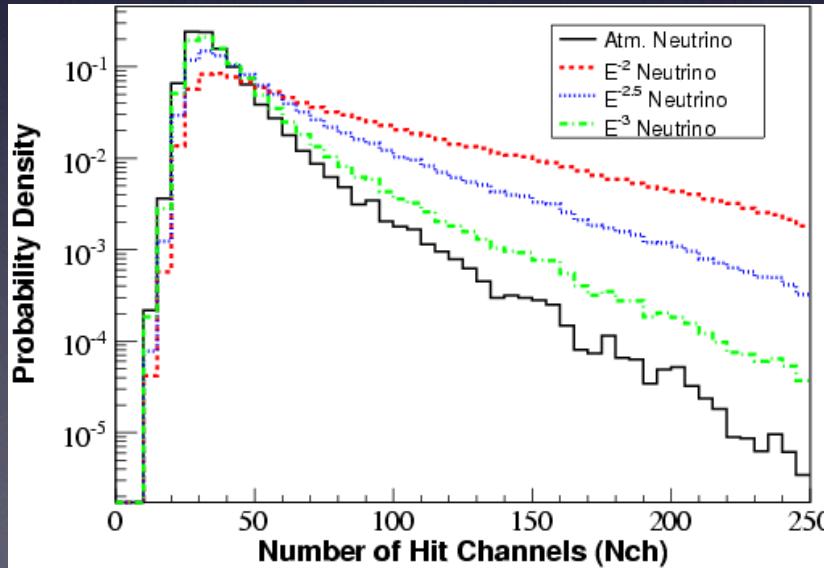
- In preparation: 1997-99 (AMANDA B10)+2000-6 (AMANDA-II)
- IC9 presented at ICRC07
- now working on IC22

# LH method

**Source hypothesis** in IC9 analysis uses **individual point spread functions** for each event, based on **angular uncertainty estimate** of track reconstruction. 2D gaussian approximation works also well.

**Background hypothesis** based on **declination distribution of data events** (i.e. scrambled in right ascension) **to correctly account for all backgrounds**

- Spectra reconstruction using  $P_i(Nch|spectral\ index)$



- Partial Probability for each event

$$P_i(x, n_s) = \frac{n_s}{N} S_i(x) + \frac{N - n_s}{N} B_i(x)$$

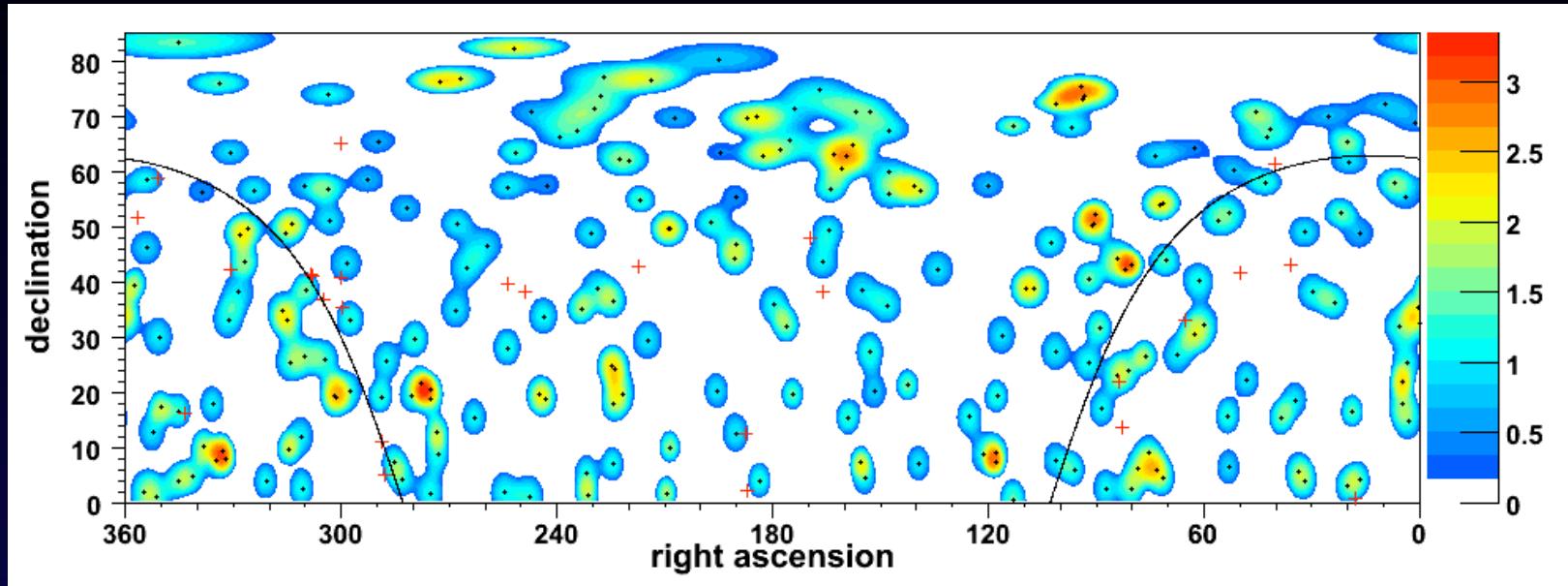
- Likelihood function

$$L(n_s) = \prod P_i(x_i, n_s)$$

- Log Likelihood Ratio

$$\log \lambda = \frac{\log L(\hat{n}_s)}{\log L(n_s = 0)}$$

# 1st IceCube data Sky Map



The maximum deviation is 3.35 sigma, at r.a. =  $276.6^\circ$ , dec =  $20.4^\circ$ .

Random clustering of background: **60%** of simulated background trials (data scrambled in right ascension), have a maximum deviation (anywhere) of **3.35 sigma** or greater.

Largest deviation from background: sigma = 1.77 (one-sided p-value = 0.04), in the direction of the Crab Nebula when looking at IC9 26 source list.

Chance to obtain a p-value of 0.04 or lower with 26 independent trials is **65%**.

137 d IC9 Averaged Sensitivity ( $E^{-2} \nu_\mu$ ):  
 $12 \times 10^{-8} (E/\text{GeV})^{-2} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

1001 d AMANDA-II Average.  
Sensitivity ( $E^{-2} \nu_\mu$ ):  
 $5 \times 10^{-8} (E/\text{GeV})^{-2} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$   
(sys error ~15%)

## Results: Source List Search

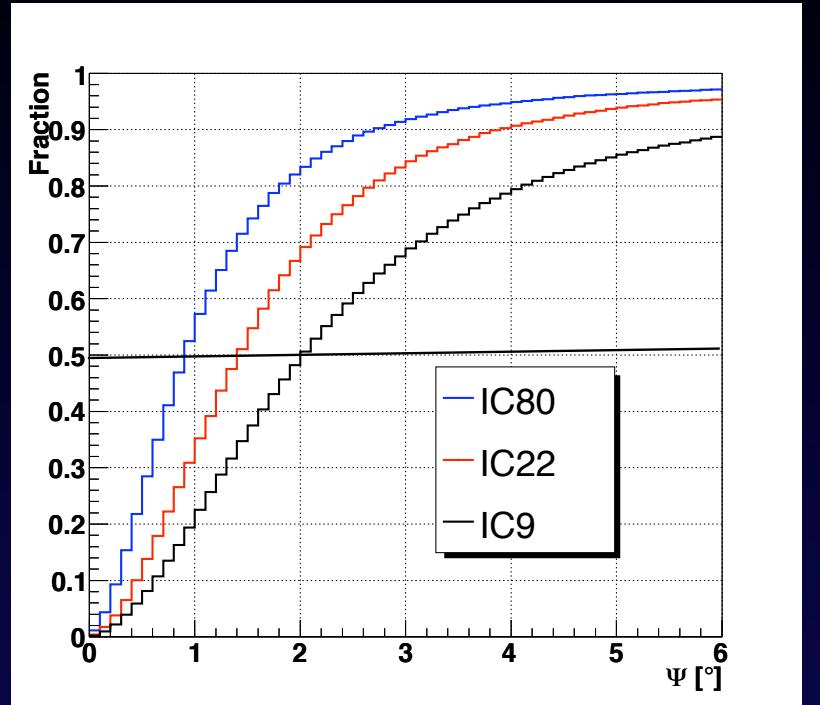
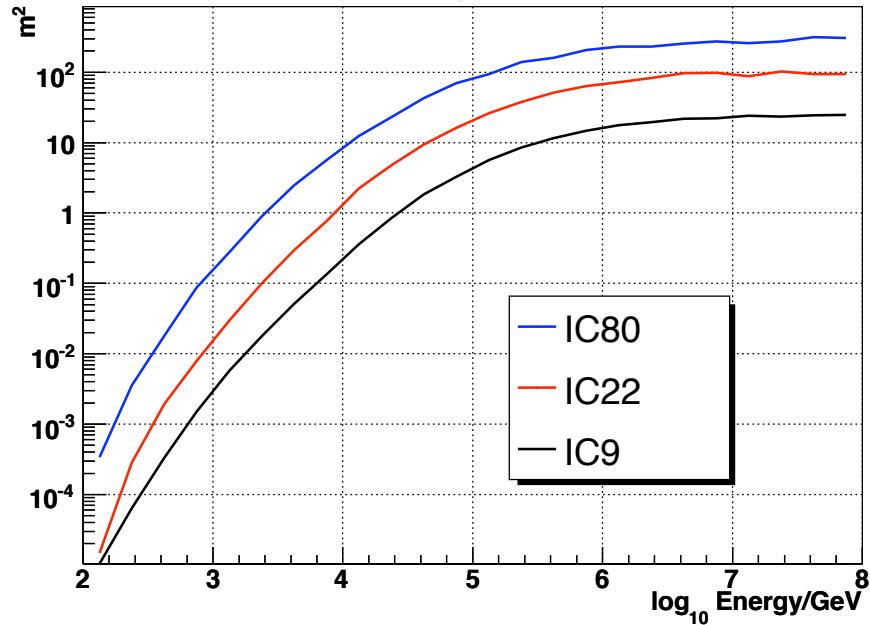
Object	(r.a. , dec)	:	sigma	$n_s$ est.	$n_s$	90% C.L. upper limits $\Phi$
MGRO J2019+37	(304.8, 36.8)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	12.7
Cyg OB2/TeV J2033+4130	(308.3, 41.3)	:	0.23	0.2	2.9	14.0
Mrk 421	(166.1, 38.2)	:	0.00	0.0	2.9	13.1
Mrk 501	(253.5, 39.8)	:	0.00	0.0	2.7	11.5
1ES 1959+650	(300.0, 65.2)	:	0.00	0.0	3.3	14.6
1ES 2344+514	(356.8, 51.7)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	11.4
H 1426+428	(217.1, 42.7)	:	0.00	0.0	3.0	14.5
BL Lac (QSO B2200+420)	(330.7, 42.3)	:	0.28	0.4	3.2	15.7
3C66A	( 35.7, 43.0)	:	0.00	0.0	3.0	13.3
3C 454.3	(343.5, 16.1)	:	1.08	0.7	3.6	14.4
4C 38.41	(248.8, 38.1)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	12.6
PKS 0528+134	( 82.7, 13.5)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	10.3
3C 273	(187.3, 2.0)	:	0.00	0.0	2.5	11.0
M87	(187.7, 12.4)	:	0.67	0.5	3.2	11.4
NGC 1275 (Perseus A)	( 50.0, 41.5)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	13.4
Cyg A	(299.9, 40.7)	:	0.41	0.4	3.0	14.5
SS 433	(288.0, 5.0)	:	0.12	0.1	2.4	8.2
Cyg X-3	(308.1, 41.0)	:	0.51	0.4	3.0	14.5
Cyg X-1	(299.6, 35.2)	:	0.52	0.4	3.0	12.2
LS I +61 303	( 40.1, 61.2)	:	0.00	0.0	3.2	14.2
GRS 1915+105	(288.8, 10.9)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	9.8
XTE J1118+480	(169.6, 48.0)	:	0.00	0.0	2.8	12.4
GRO J0422+32	( 65.4, 32.9)	:	0.65	0.8	3.1	13.5
Geminga 98.48	( 17.8, 0.6)	:	0.65	0.8	3.0	16.4
Crab Nebula	( 83.6, 22.0)	:	1.77	1.6	5.2	21.8
Cas A	(350.9, 58.8)	:	0.67	0.5	4.4	19.9

$\Phi$  Flux Units:  $10^{-11} (E / \text{TeV})^{-2} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$

None of the a priori source locations shows significant excess

IC9 (2006-7), IC22 (2007-8), IC40 (2008-9), IC80 (2010-11)

### preliminary estimates



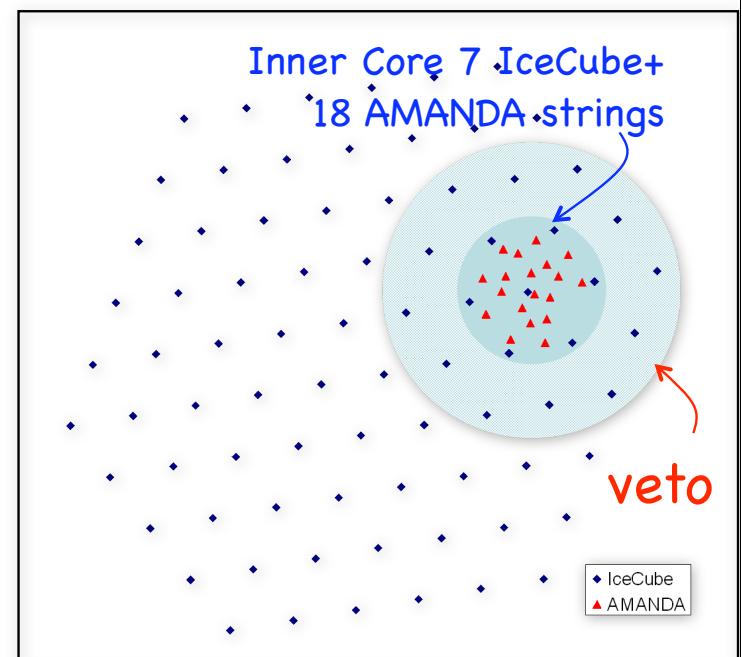
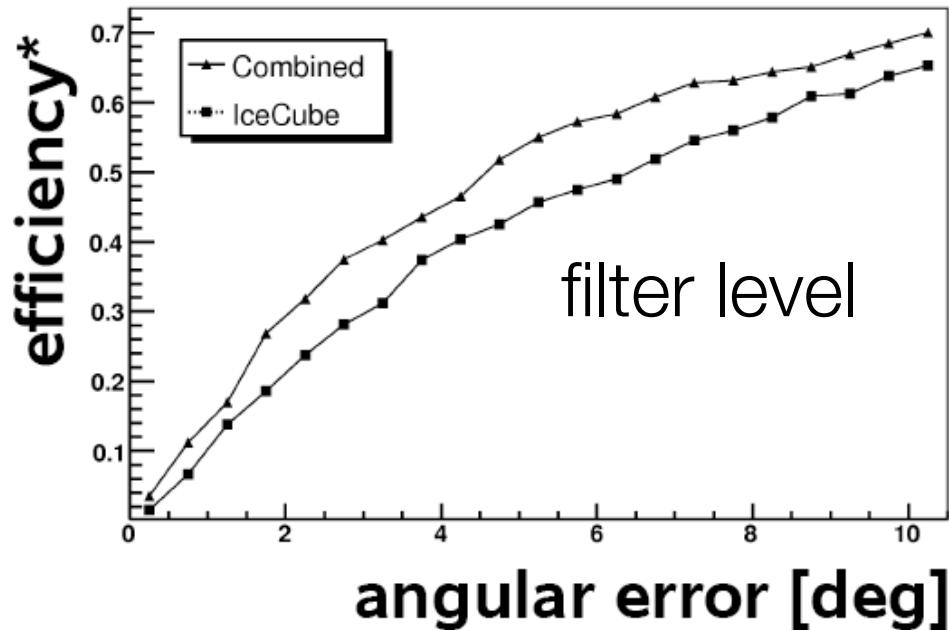
IC22, IC80 analysis not optimized yet (reconstruction and cuts optimized for IC9), nonetheless ang res already for IC22 much better than for IC9 (median  $1.5^\circ$  compared to  $2^\circ$  in IC9)

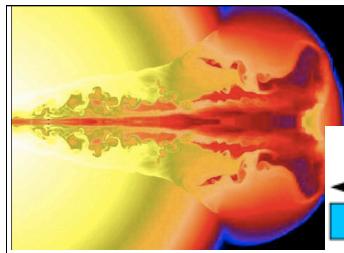
In 2008 IC40 will collect about 12000 atm neutrinos/yr and the background in a bin of radius  $1.5^\circ$  is 4 ev/yr ( $> 1$  TeV  $\Rightarrow 1.8$  ev/yr). The sensitivity will improve by about 8 respect to IC9.

IC80 eff area will be about 1 order of magnitude larger than IC9

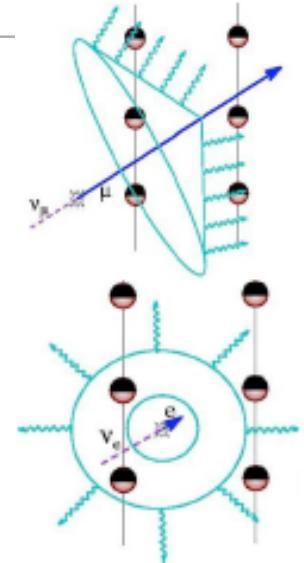
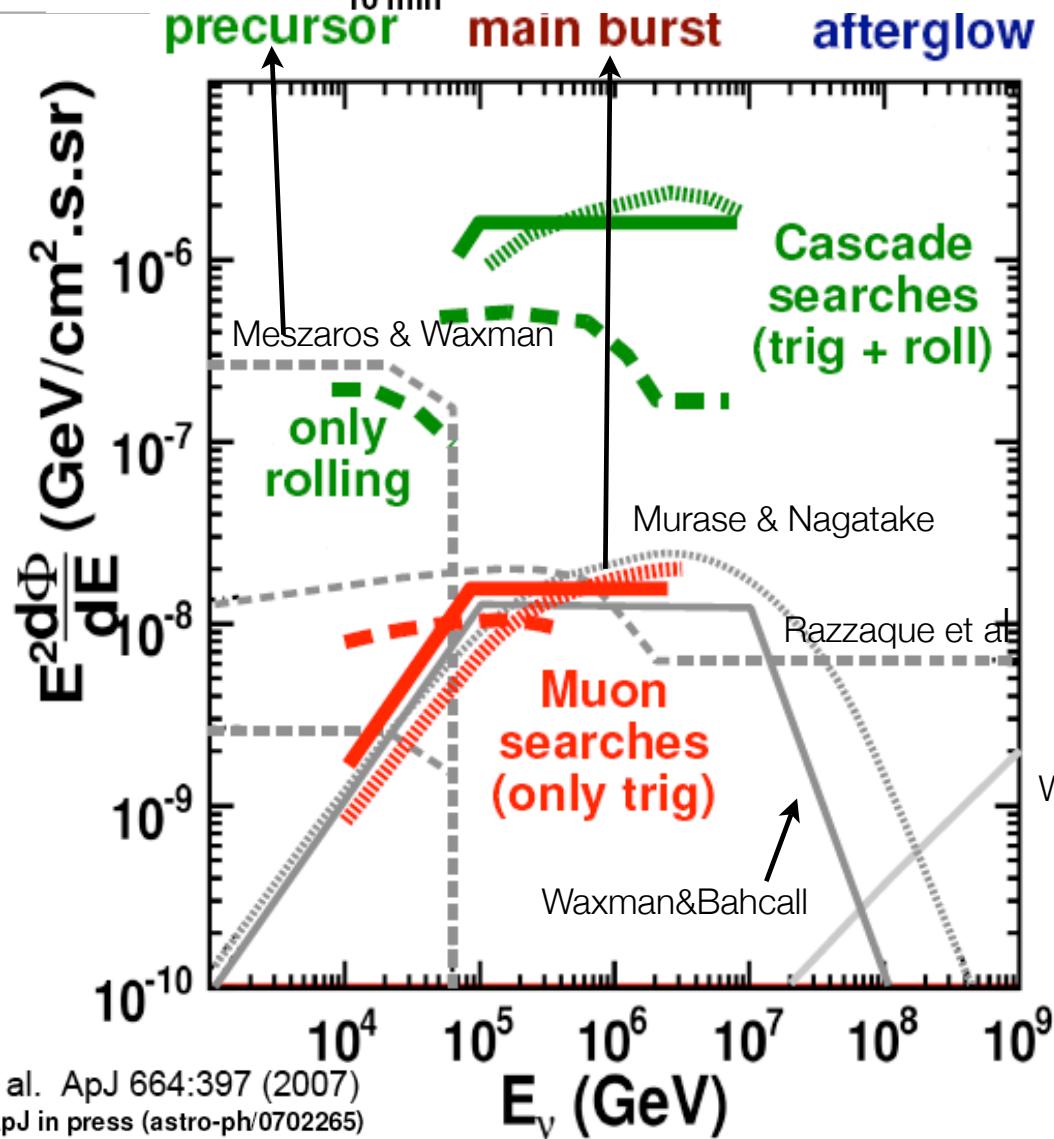
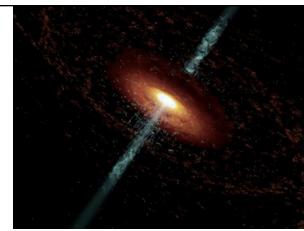
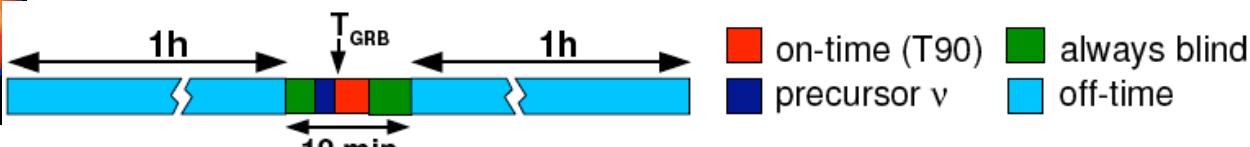
# The low energy core of IceCube: AMANDA

- Larger event rates for galactic sources: 10% more events for source cut-off at 3-10 TeV for IC22+AMANDA than IC22 standalone.
- Threshold at about 30 GeV, good for atmospheric neutrino studies. For point-sources increased background BUT better angular resolution
- Using IceCube as VETO possible identification of neutrinos interacting in the inner core detector.





# Gamma-ray Bursts



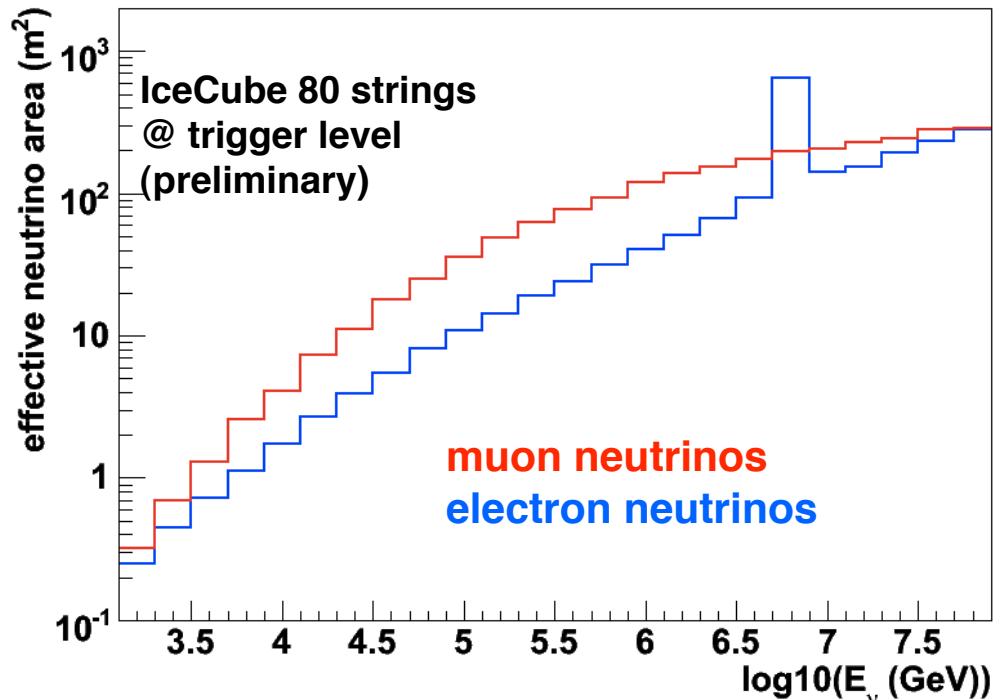
# GRBs in IceCube

- Satellite bandwidth for IC22: 30 GB/d
- Online Filter (>Jun 2007): all data in  $\pm 1$  hr around GCN alert transferred to North

IC80

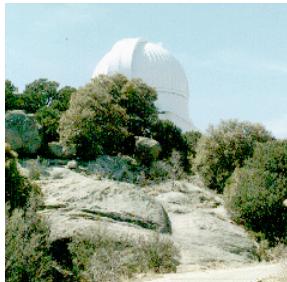
3 $\sigma$  sensitivity for Waxman-Bahcall GRB flux with  $\sim 100$  ( $\sim 300$ ) detected bursts in muon (cascade) channel

(GLAST  $\sim 200$  bursts per year,  $4\pi$ )



SWIFT 100/yr

		FoV (sr)	PSF	Band	Operation
Integral	IBIS	0.02	12'	15 keV – 10 MeV	Oct '02 -
Swift	BAT	1.4	15'	15 – 150 keV	Nov '04 -
Agile	SuperAgile	1	6'	15 – 60 keV	Jun '07 -
	mCal	N/A	N/A	300 keV – 100 MeV	
GLAST	GBM	9.5	1.5°	8 keV – 30 MeV	Apr '08 -
	LAT	2.4	15'	20 MeV – 300 GeV	



## Multi-wavelength programs



★ **Offline Programs:** many offline analyses, SGR1806-20 Dec 2005 flare, WIYN-VERITAS-IceCube, HESS sources with muons from gammas, Milagro data, and many more GLAST Guest Investigator proposals Cycle 1: GRBs with GBM data, transient sources with LAT data

★ **Online programs:**

★ Neutrino alerts: NToO test run  
AMANDA-Magic and proposal  
of ToO for GRBs and SNe with  
networks of Optical Telescopes  
★ SN collapse - IceCube should  
enter SNEWS this year

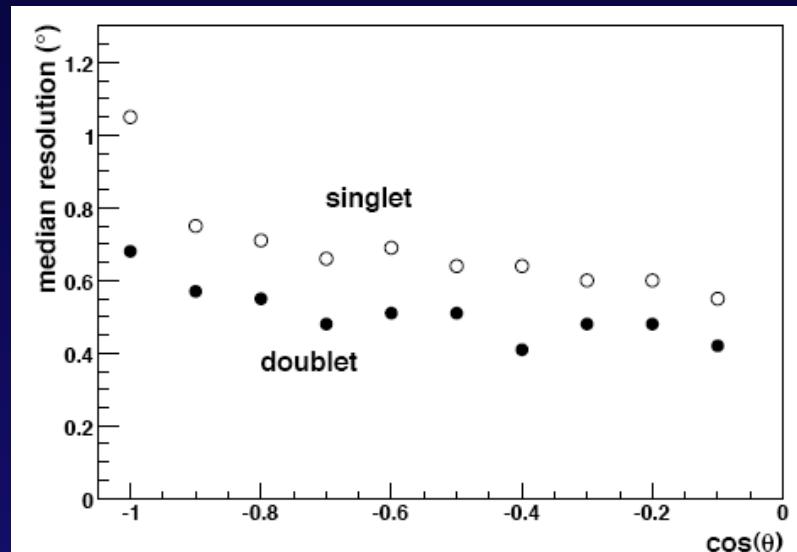
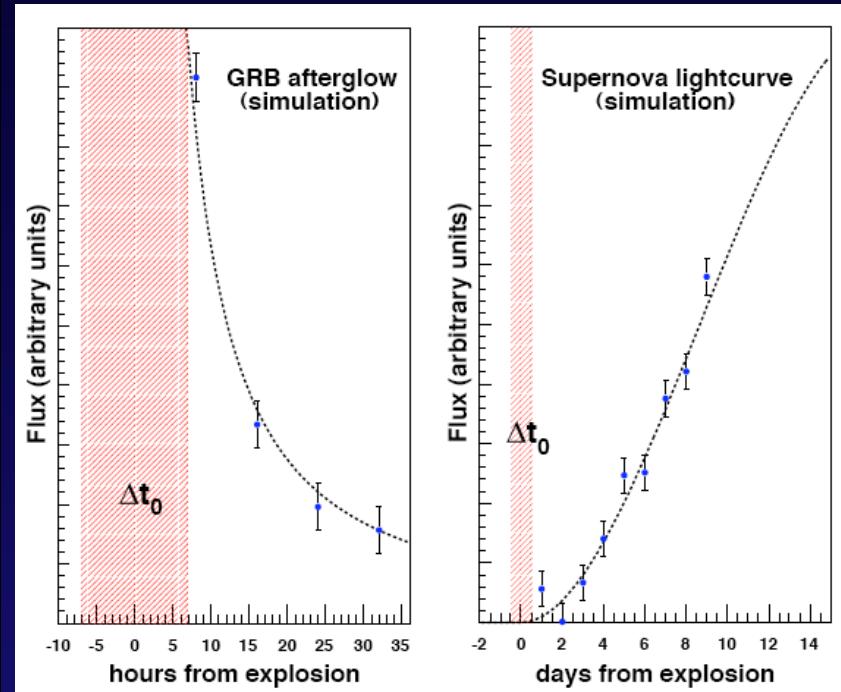


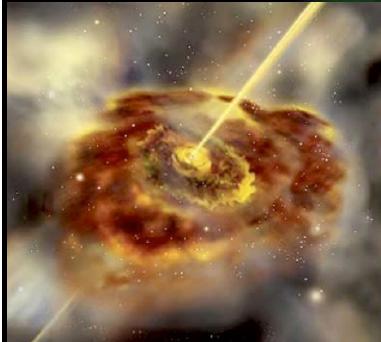
# Optical follow-up for neutrino events

Kowalski & Mohr, astro-ph/0701618

- $\nu$  event direction reconstructed online and if energy or multiplicity  $>$  a given threshold a notice is sent to a network of optical telescopes
- $t_0$  can be reconstructed from light curves with precision  $< 1d$  from GRB afterglows and SNe light curves
- Rate of doublets of atm. neutrino backg. for max separation of  $3^\circ$  and  $\Delta t = 100$  s  $\Rightarrow 30/\text{yr}$  hence follow-up feasible

ROTSE-III: 4 automated telescopes would cover  $> 80\%$  of IceCube PSF for doublets





# Conclusions

IC22 science run now under way:

- expected to deliver 10 months lifetime

- sensitivity: ~ x4 AMANDA-II (1001d)

IC40 (April 2008) will be 1/2 completed  
detector and angular resolution close to  
optimal

Beginning of 2009: km<sup>3</sup> yr integrated  
exposure