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The Ghostly Messengers of the Universe

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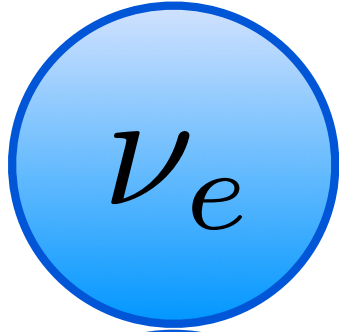
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Neutrinos
Dark Matter
Messengers



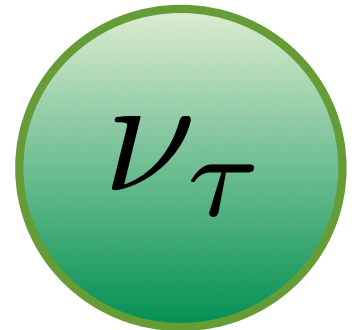
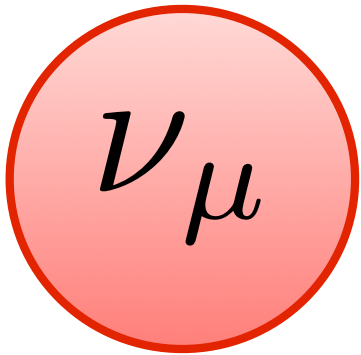
Neutrinos



Ghostly

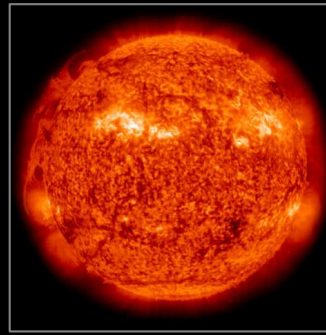
Abundant

Elusive



Where Are Neutrinos Produced?

Nuclear reactors



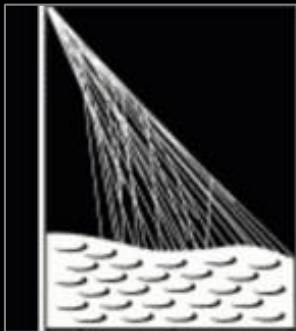
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Particle accelerators



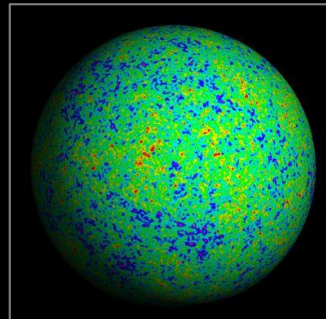
Supernovae and binary mergers

Atmosphere



Gamma-ray bursts and other cosmic accelerators

Earth



Big Bang

Grand Unified Neutrino Spectrum

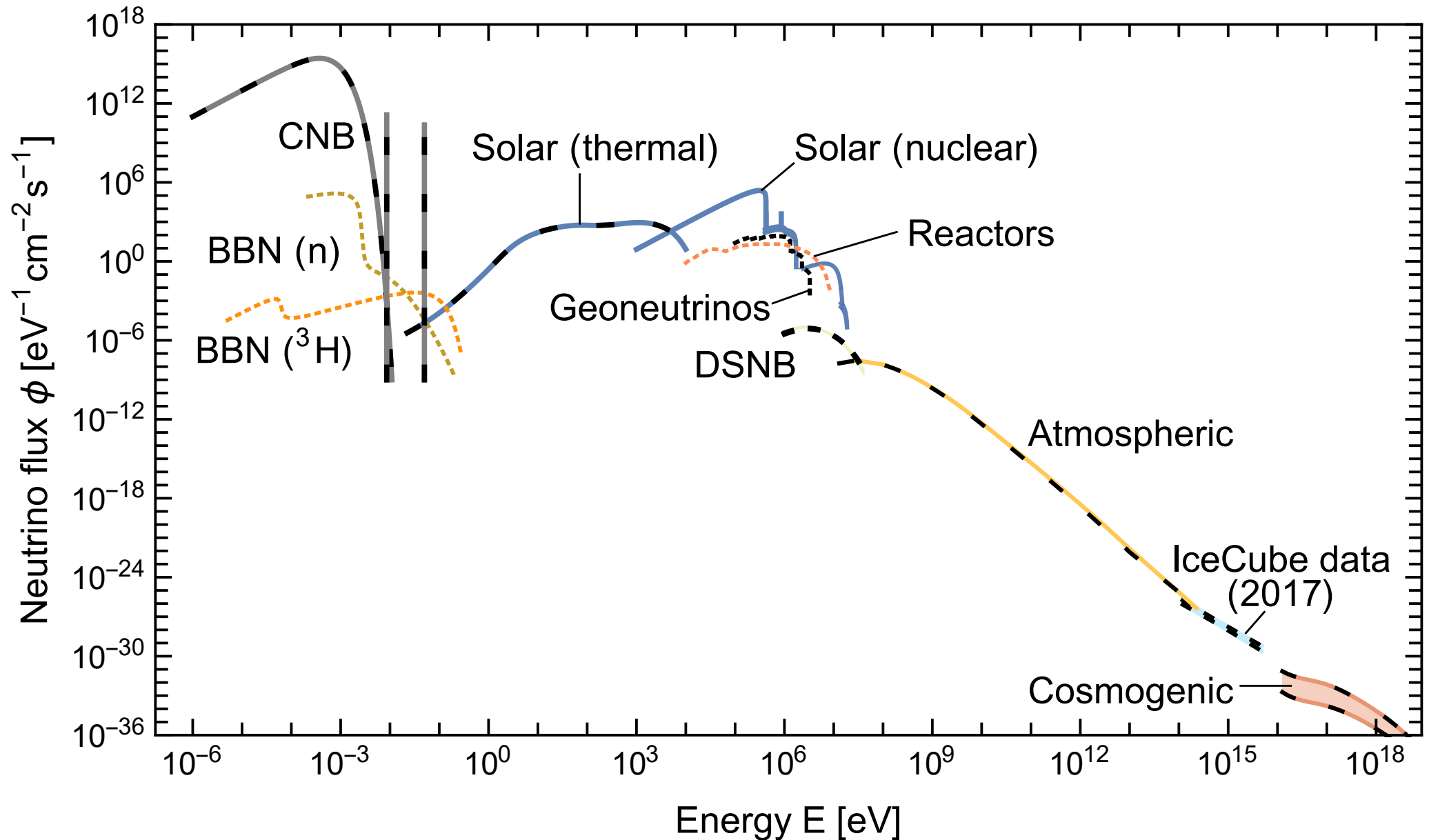
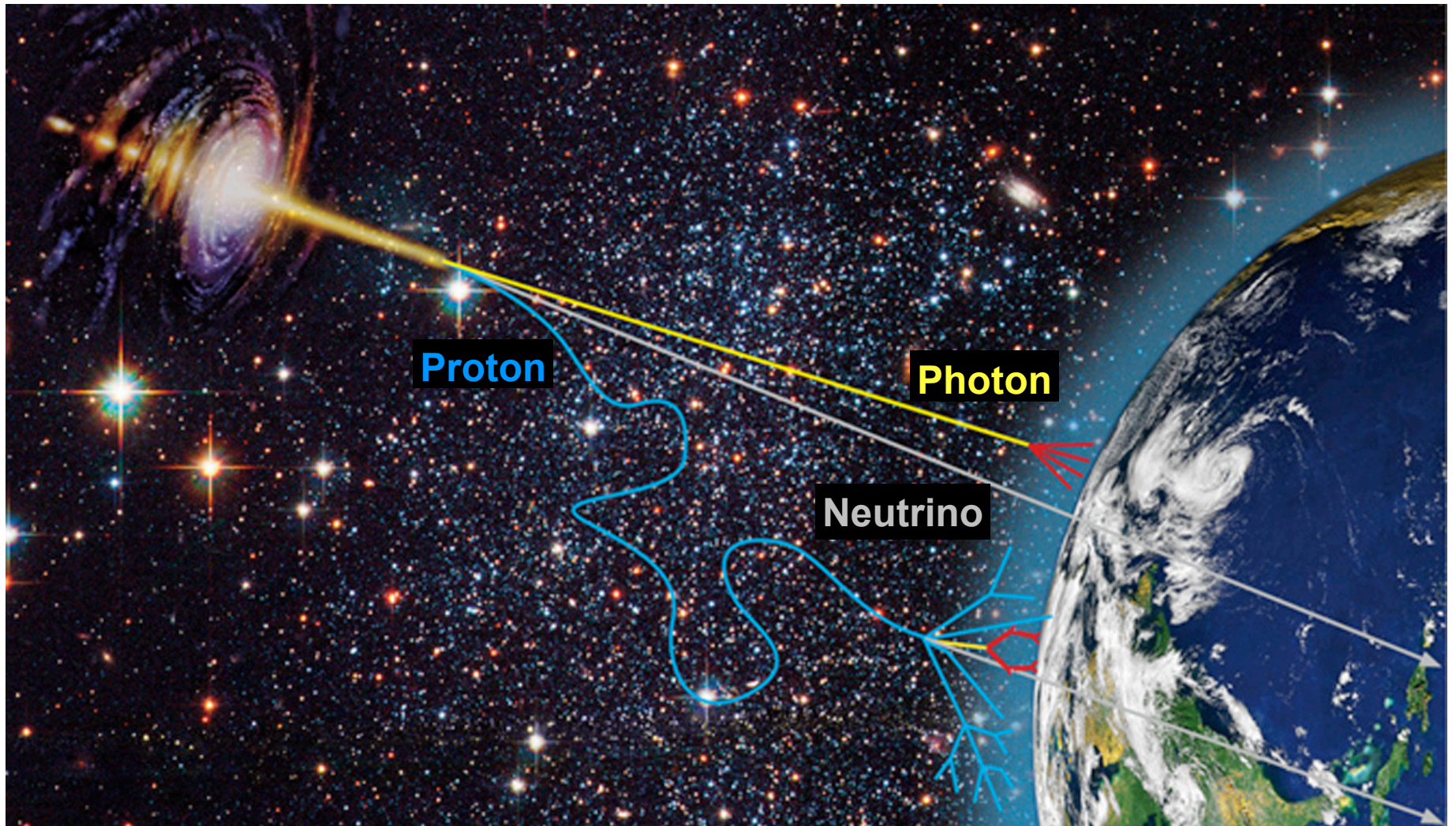


Figure from Vitagliano, Tamborra, Raffelt, arXiv: 1910.11878.

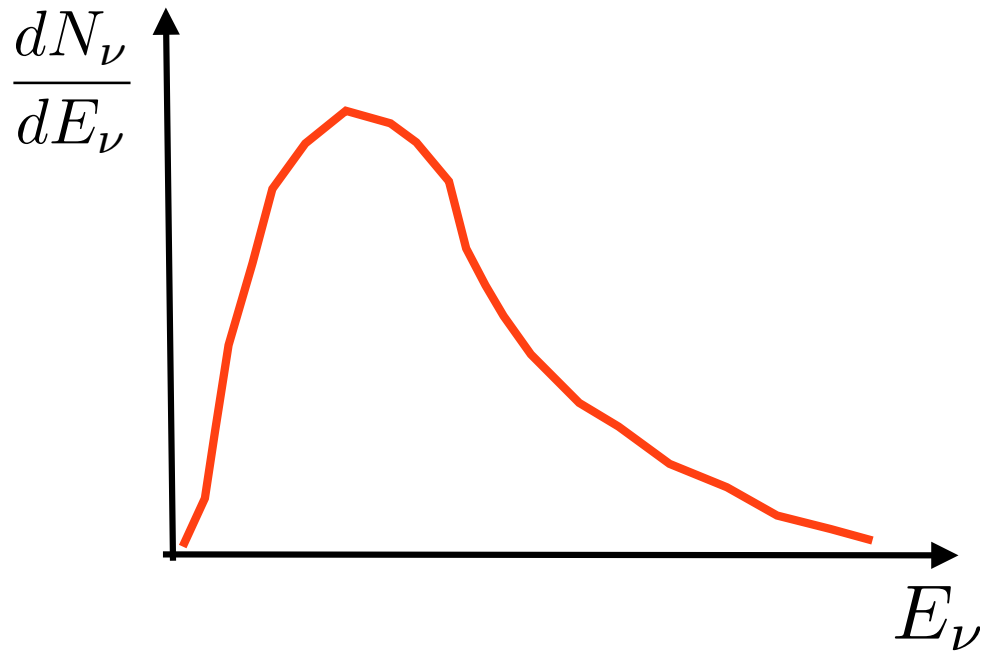
Ideal Messengers

Escaping unimpeded, neutrinos carry information about sources not otherwise accessible.



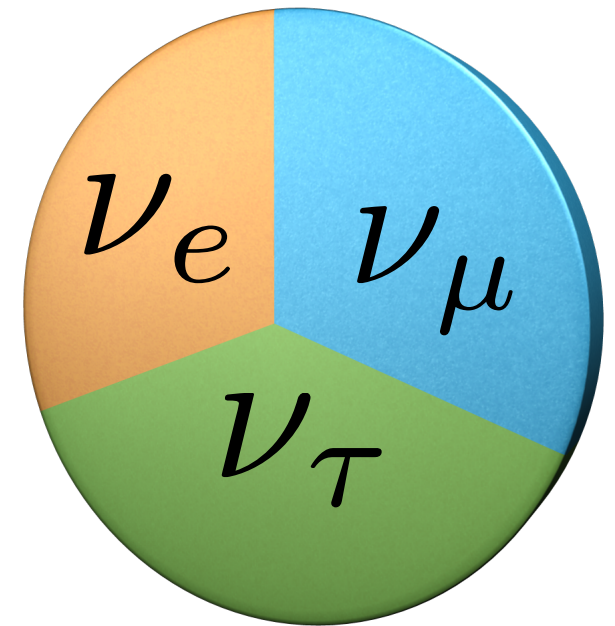
Powerful Probes in Astrophysics

Energy distribution



Similar to photons

Flavor ratio



Neutrinos only!

The Dream of Neutrino Astronomy

If [there are no new forces] -- one can conclude that there is no practically possible way of observing the neutrino.

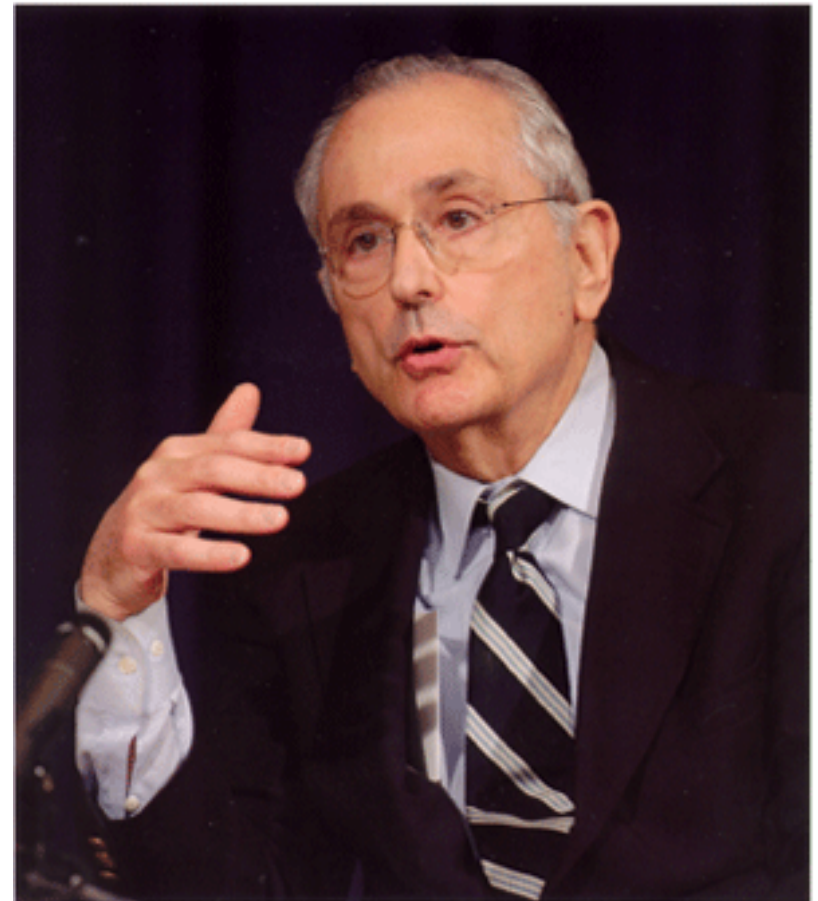
Bethe and Peierls (1934)

Only neutrinos, with their extremely small cross sections, can enable us to see into the interior of a star ...

Bahcall (1964)

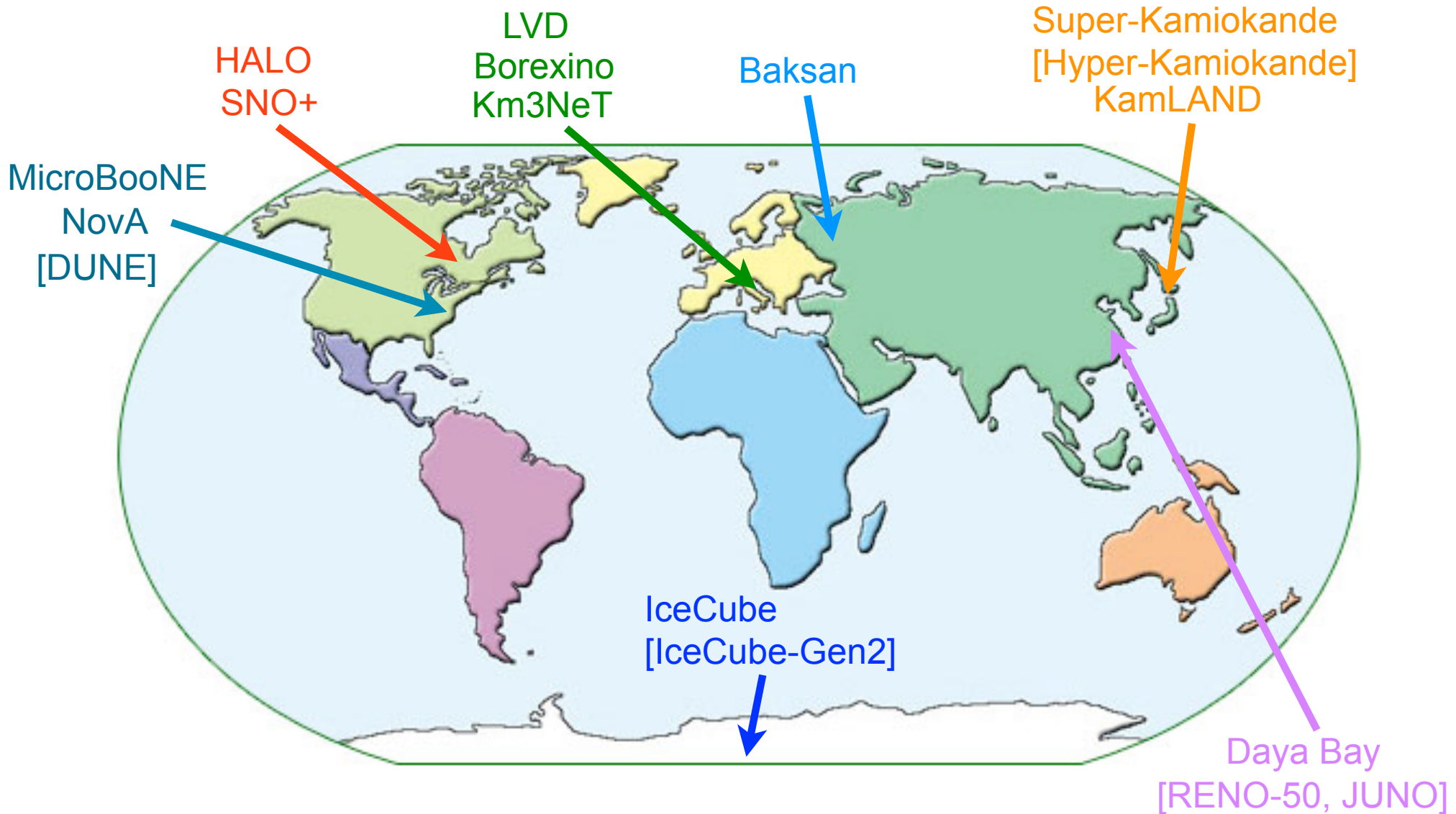
The title is more of an expression of hope than a description of the book's contents ...
the observational horizon of neutrino astrophysics may grow ... perhaps in a time as short as one or two decades.

Bahcall, Neutrino Astrophysics (1989)



John Bahcall

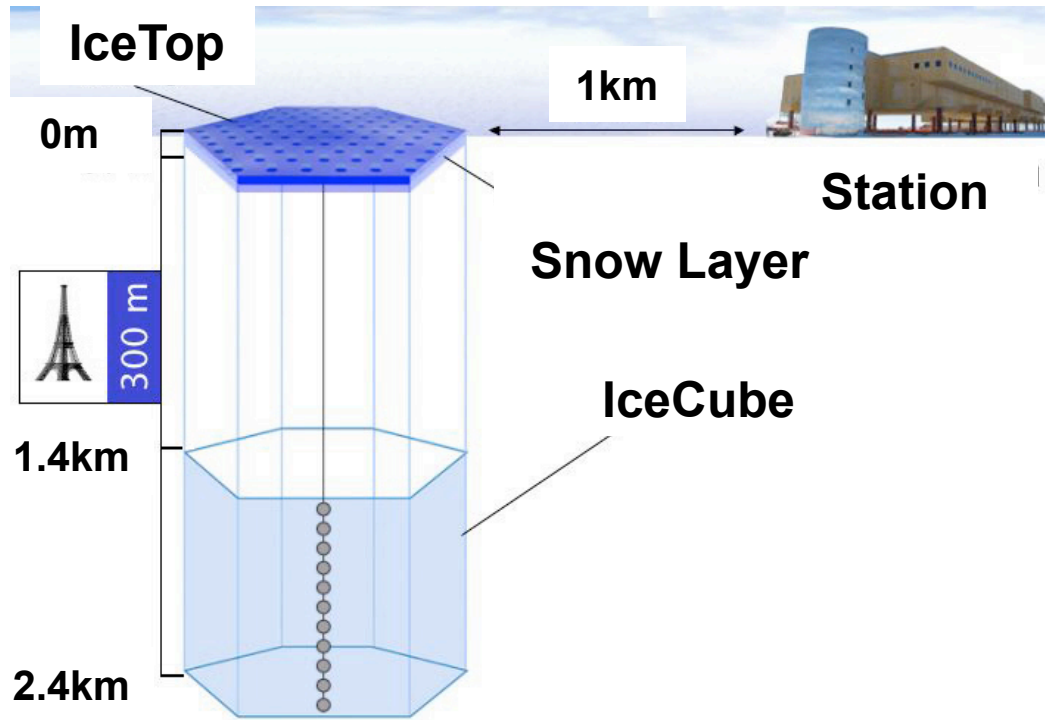
Astro-Neutrino Detectors



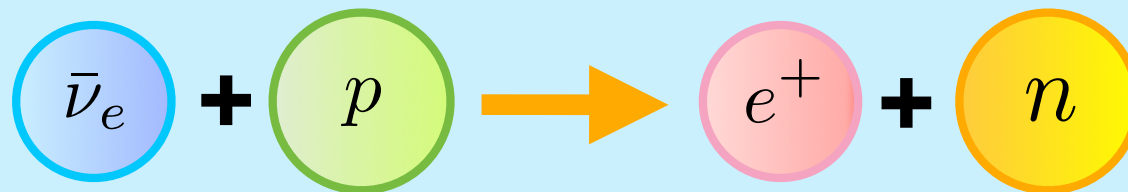
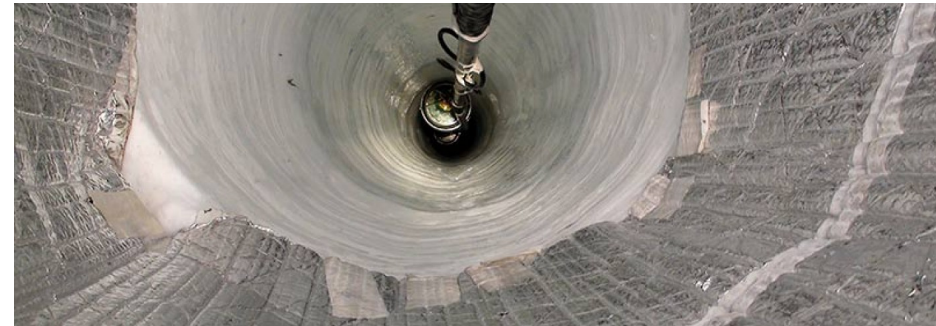
Fundamental to combine astrophysical signals from detectors employing different technologies.

The IceCube Neutrino Telescope

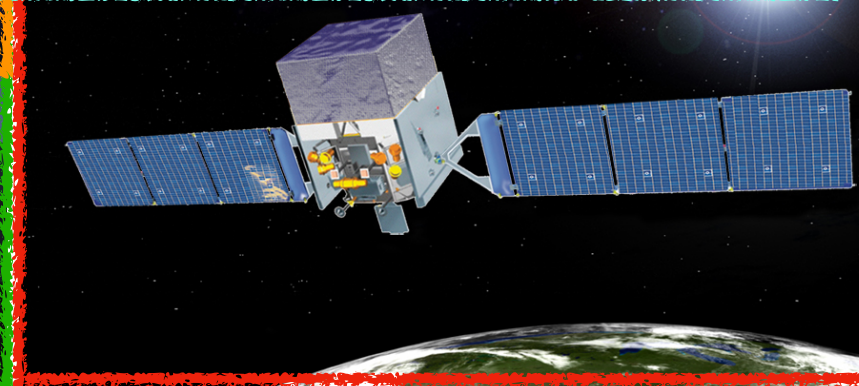
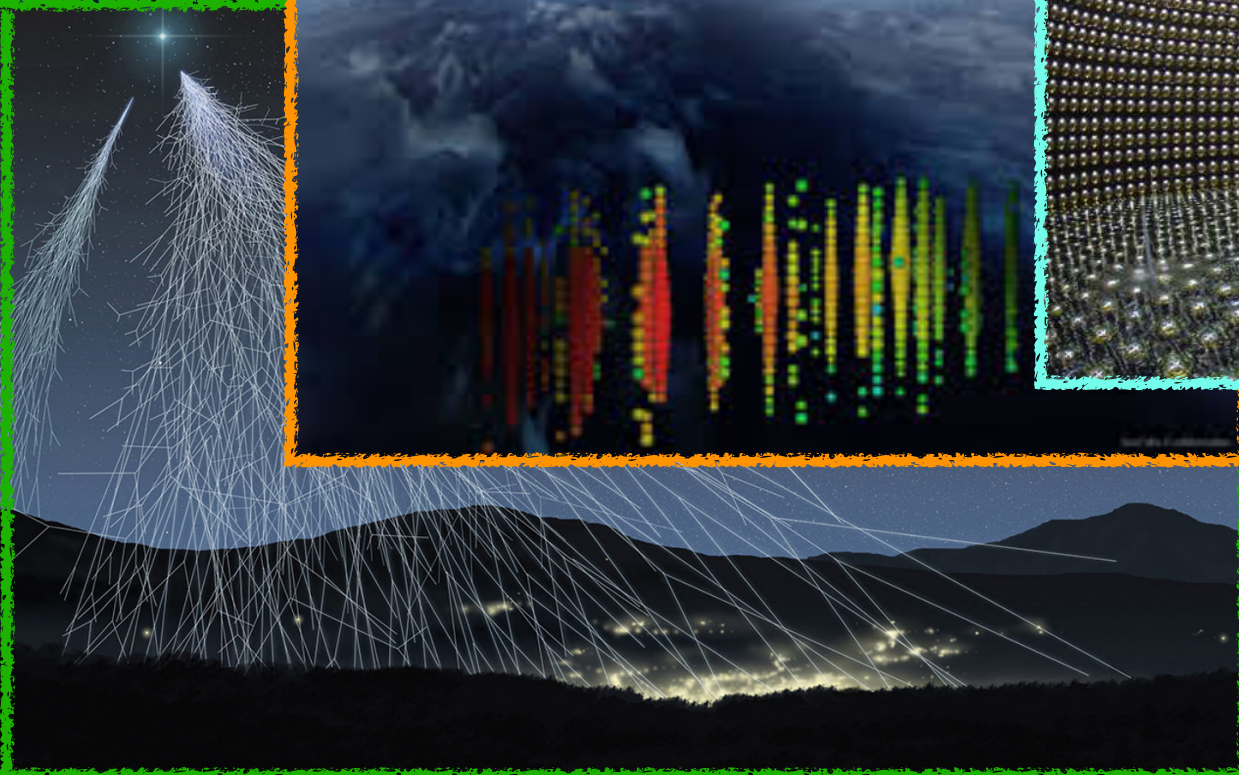
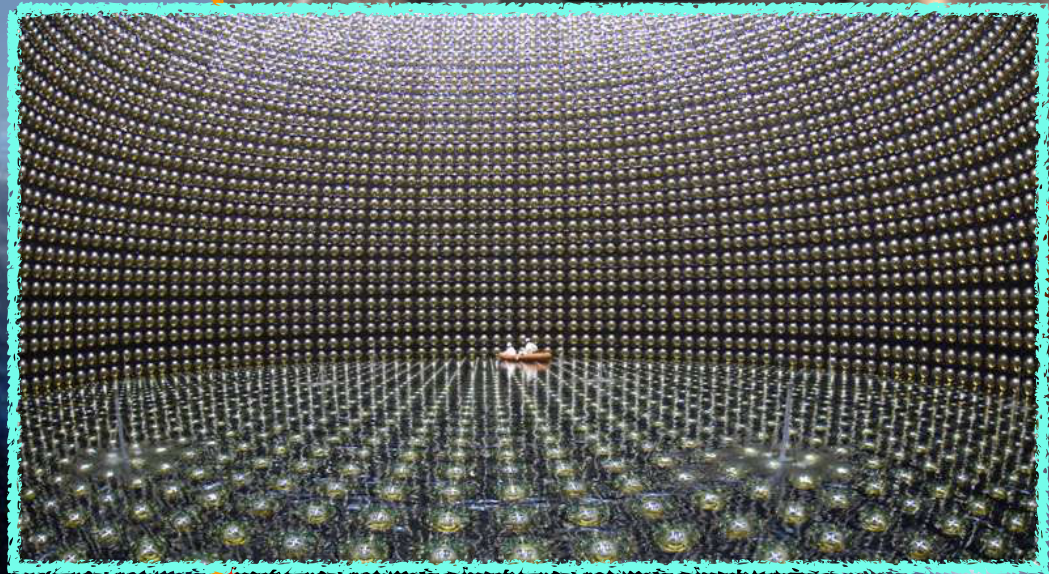
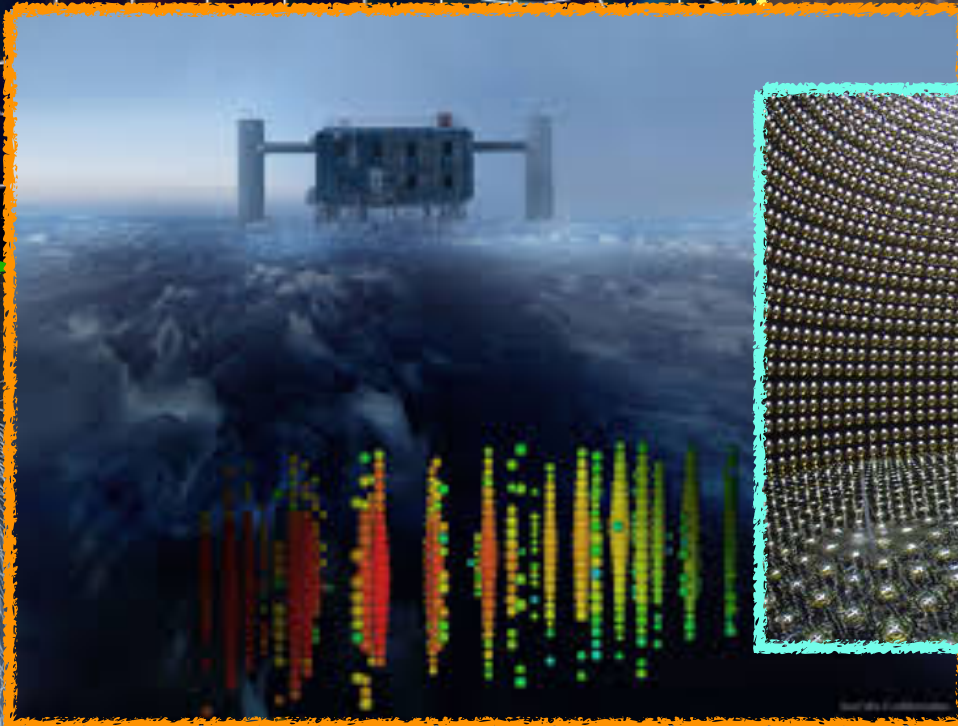
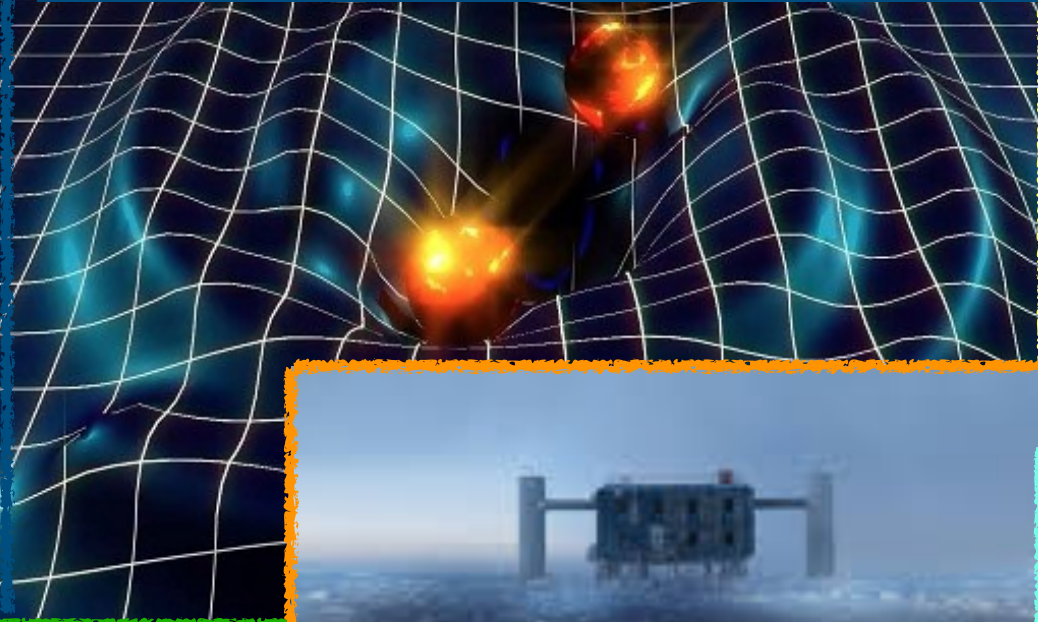
IceCube Telescope (South Pole)



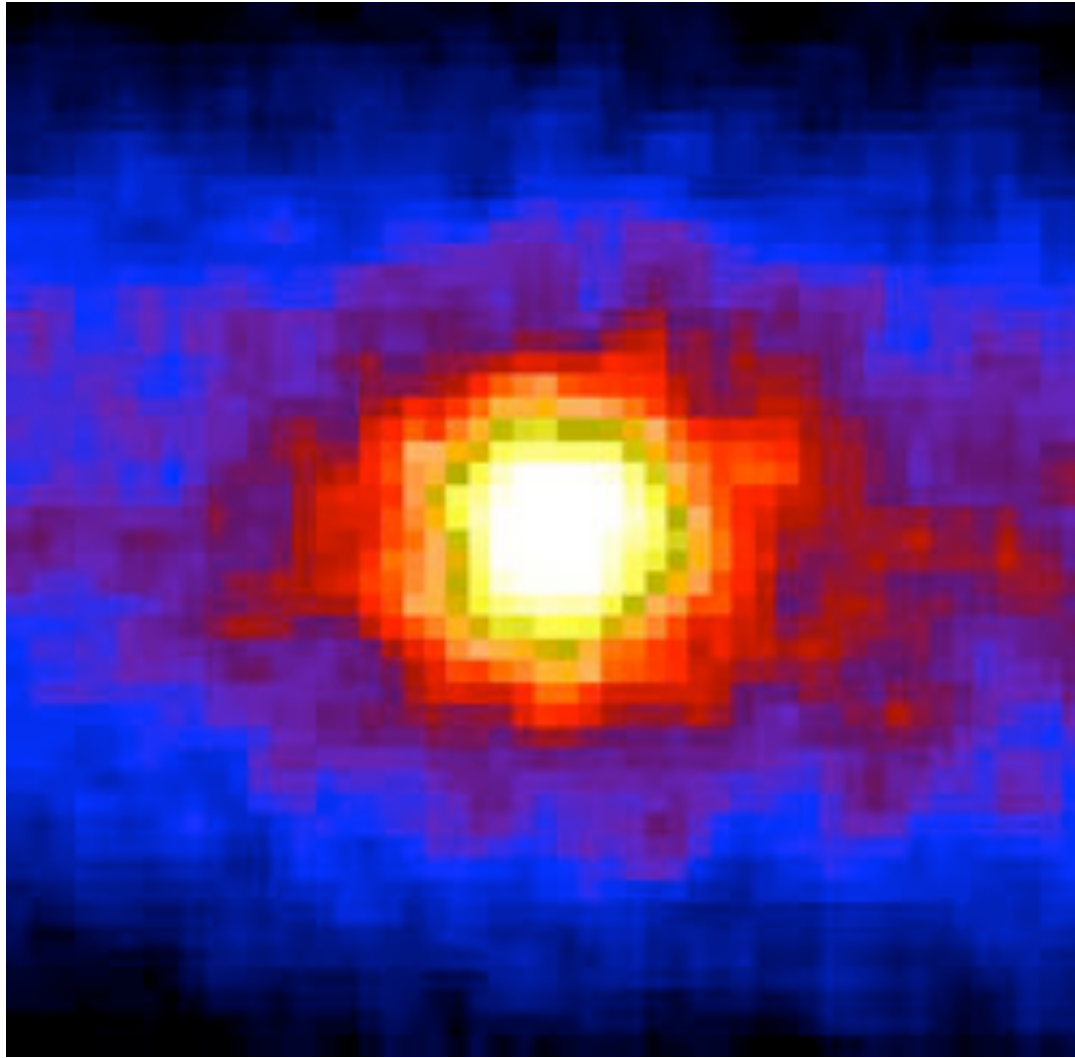
5,600 “electronic eyes”



Dawn of the Multi-Messenger Era

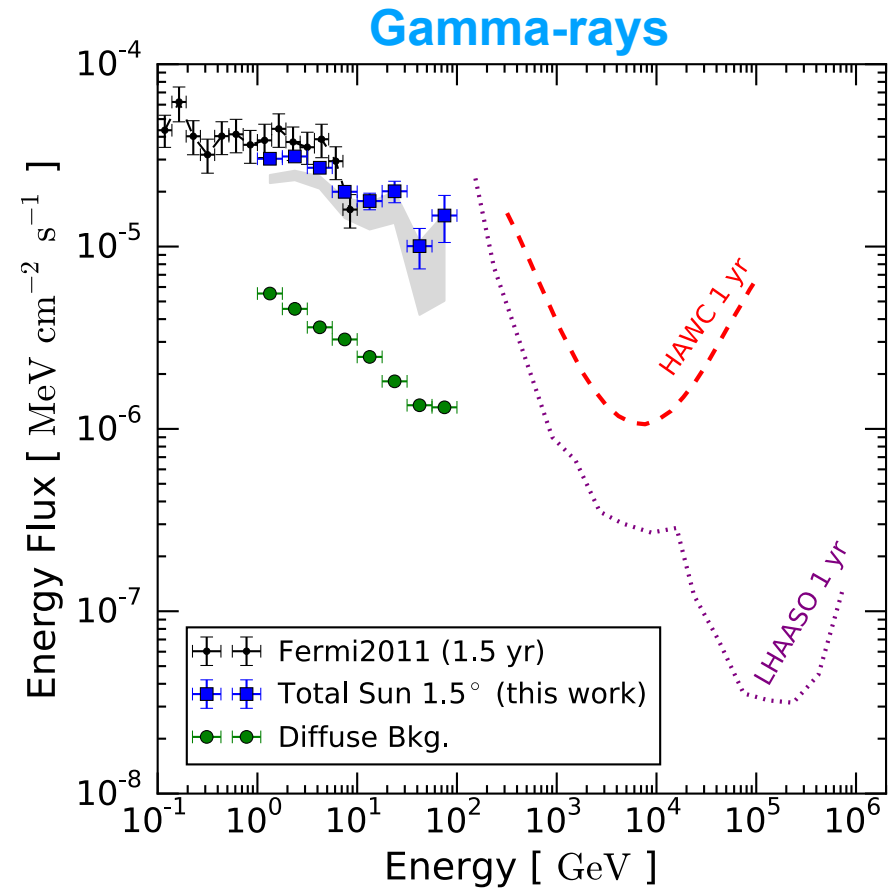
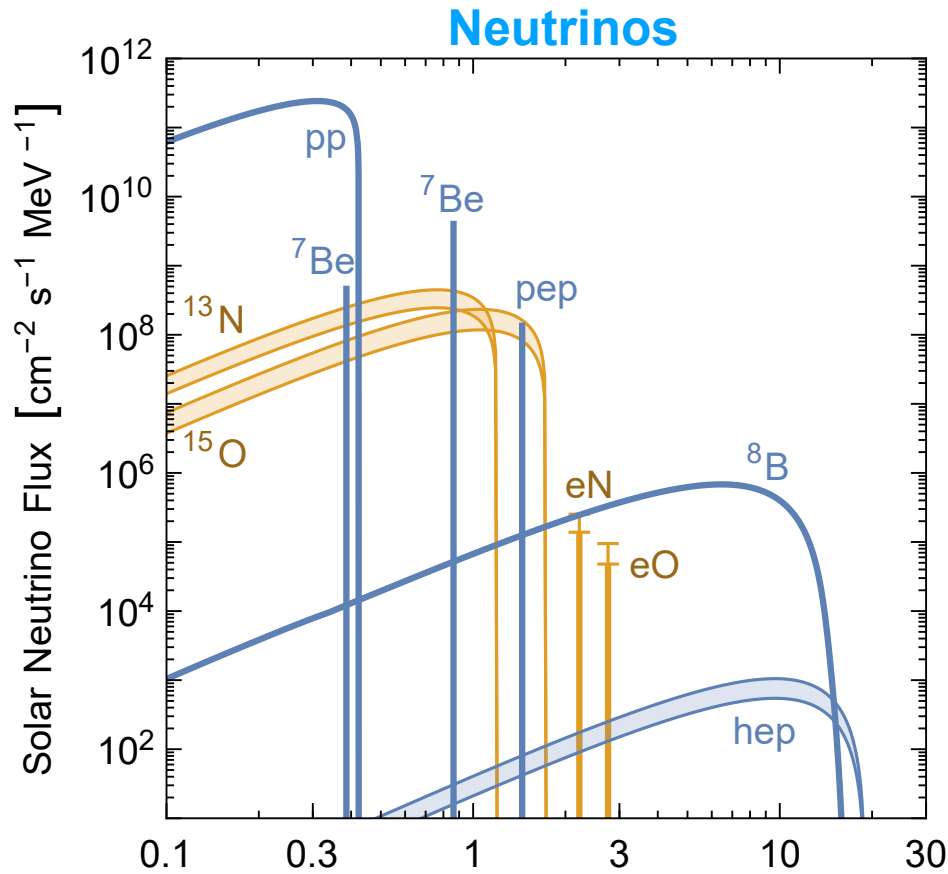


The Sun in Neutrinos



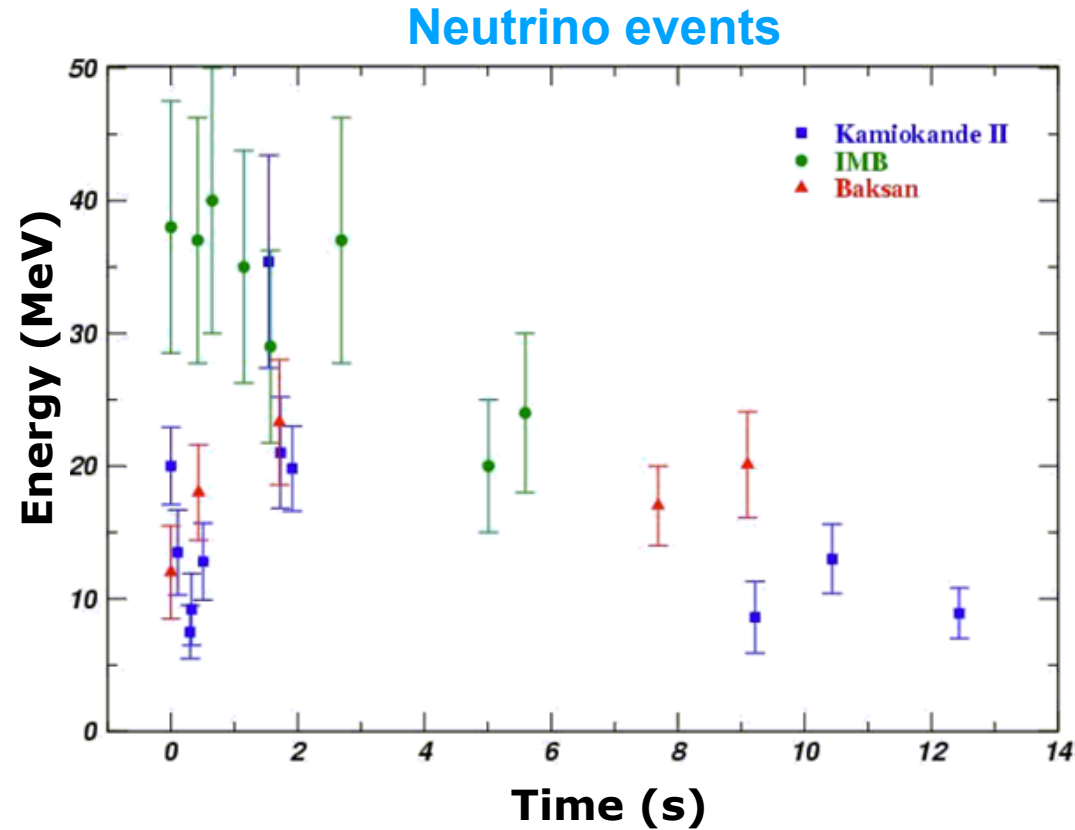
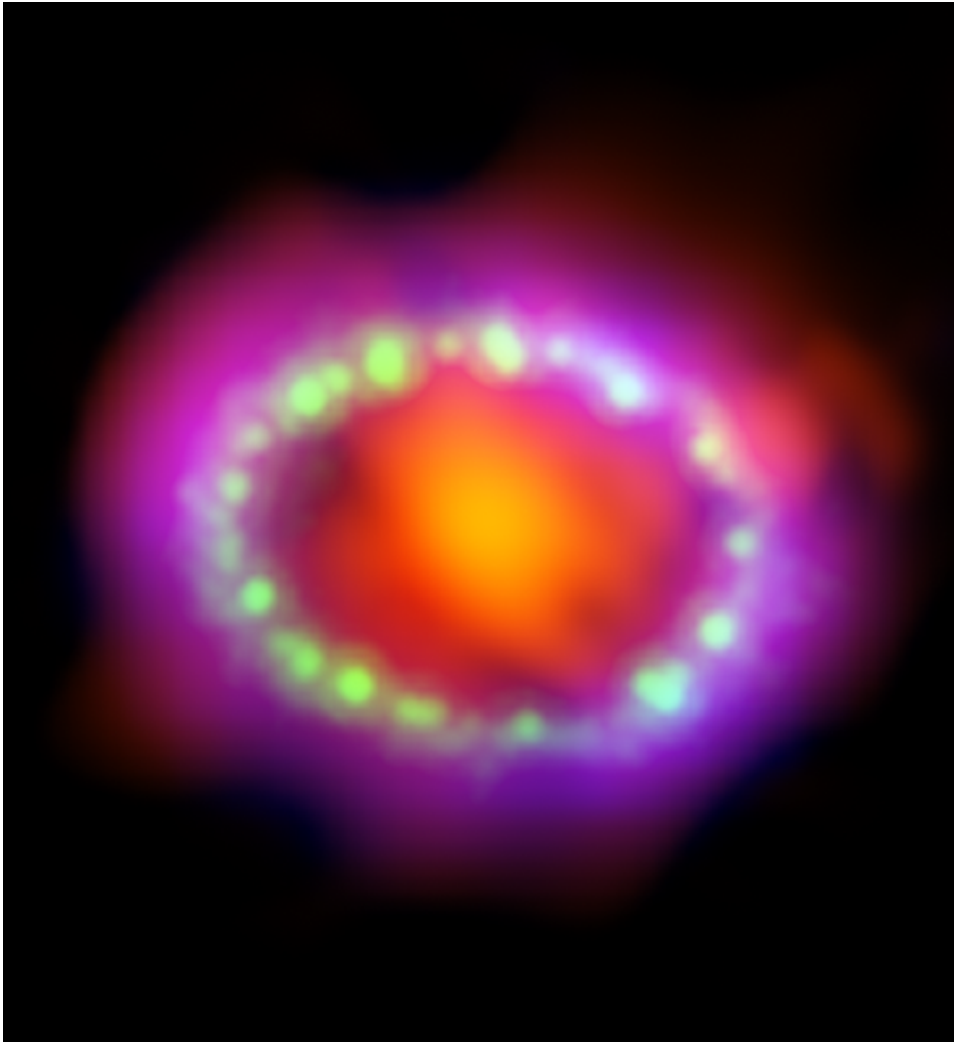
- Radiation from the Sun (98 % Light, 2% Neutrinos).
- Photons take 200,000 years to escape from the Sun, neutrinos 2 seconds.

The Sun



- Optical emission and neutrinos: the Sun is main-sequence star powered by nuclear fusion.
- Neutrinos: test of stellar structure and neutrino physics.
- Gamma-rays: probes of solar atmospheric magnetic fields and cosmic-ray physics.

Supernova Neutrinos (SN 1987a)

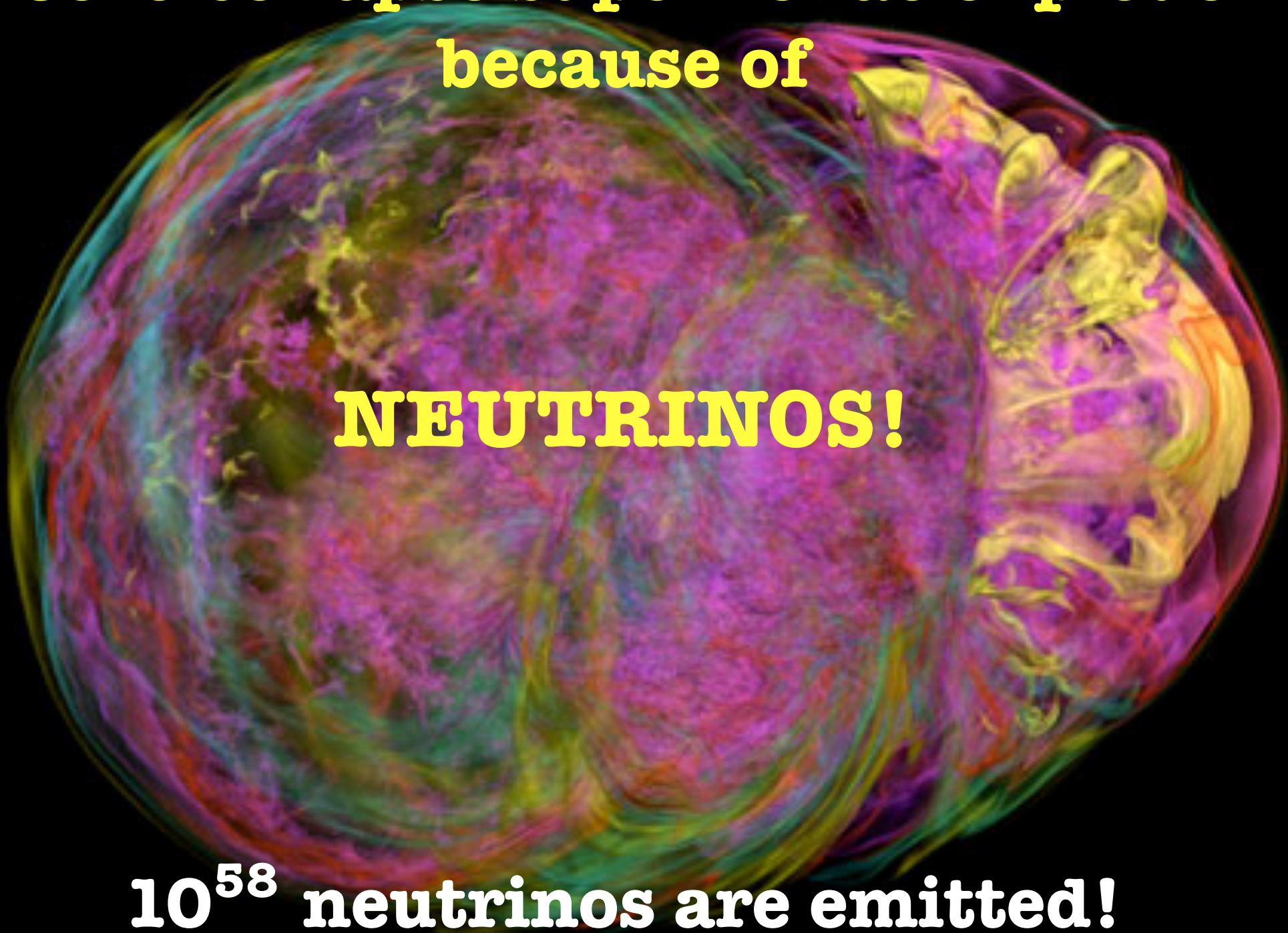


- Radiation from the Sun (0.01 % Light, 99% Neutrinos).
- Unique probe of stellar collapse and supernova mechanism.

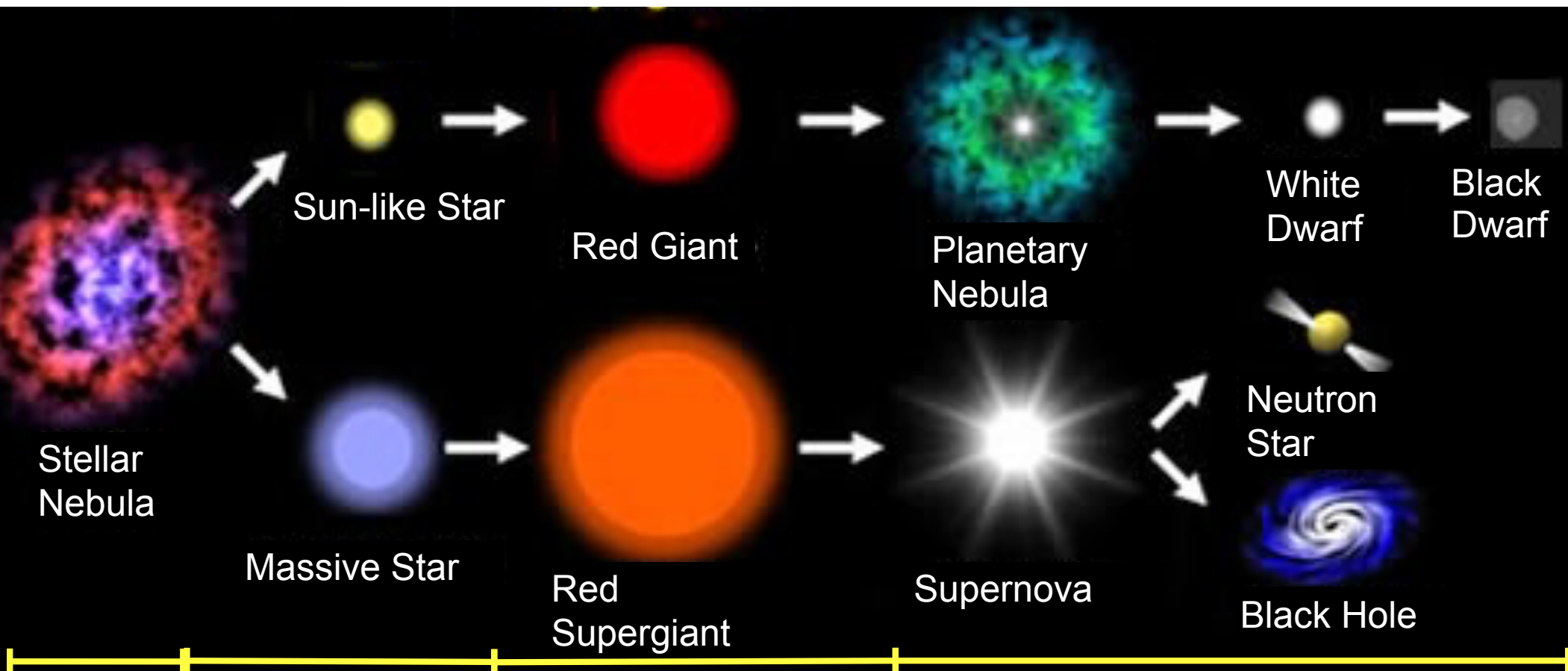
**Core-collapse supernovae explode
because of**

NEUTRINOS!

10^{58} neutrinos are emitted!



Lifecycle of a Star

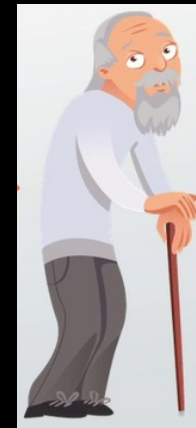
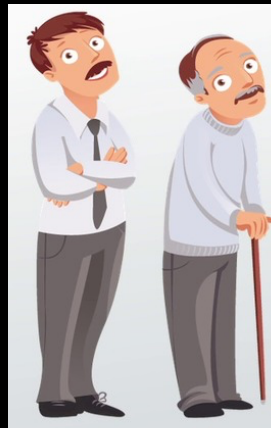


Fetus

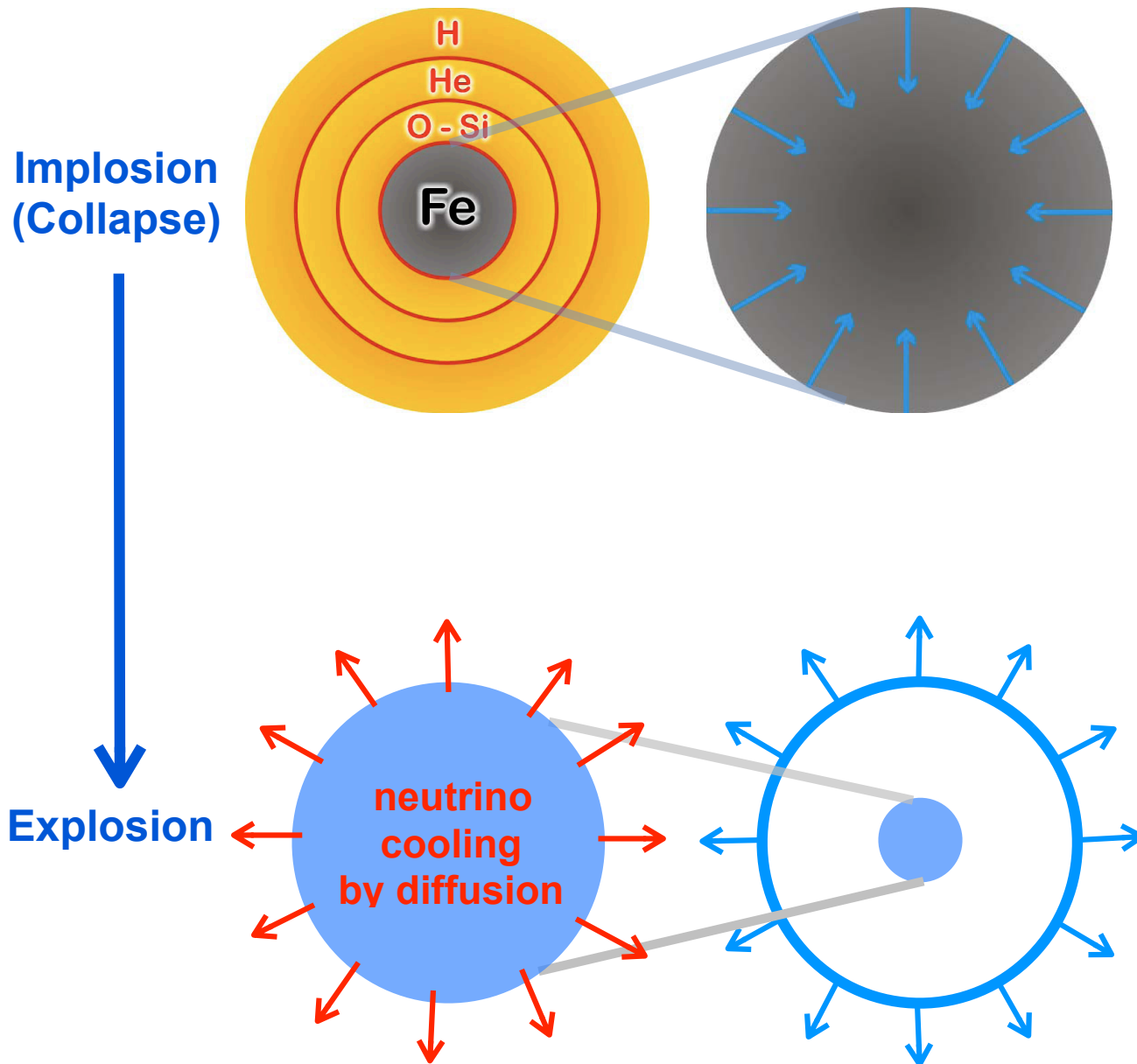
Infancy & Adulthood

Middle Age

Old Age & Death

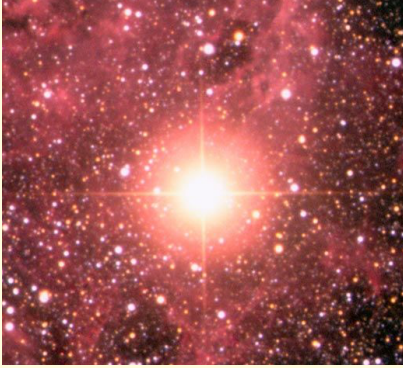


Core-Collapse Supernova Explosion



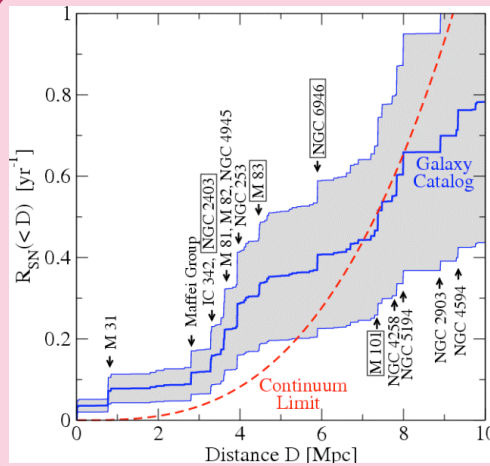
Neutrinos carry 99% of the released energy ($\sim 10^{53}$ erg).

Detection Frontiers



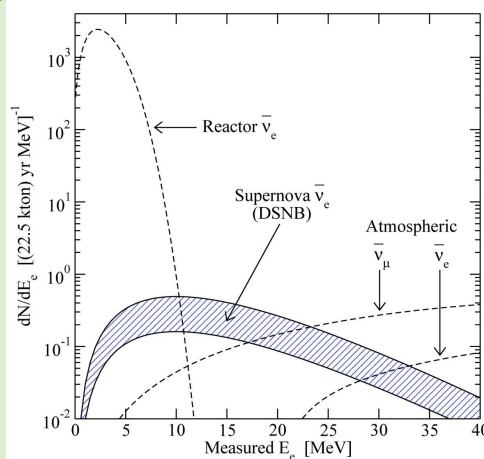
Supernova in our Galaxy (one burst per 40 years).

Excellent sensitivity to details.



Supernova in nearby Galaxies (one burst per year).

Sensitivity to general properties.



Diffuse Supernova Background
(one supernova per second).

Average supernova emission. Guaranteed signal.

The Next Nearby Supernova (SN 2XXXa)

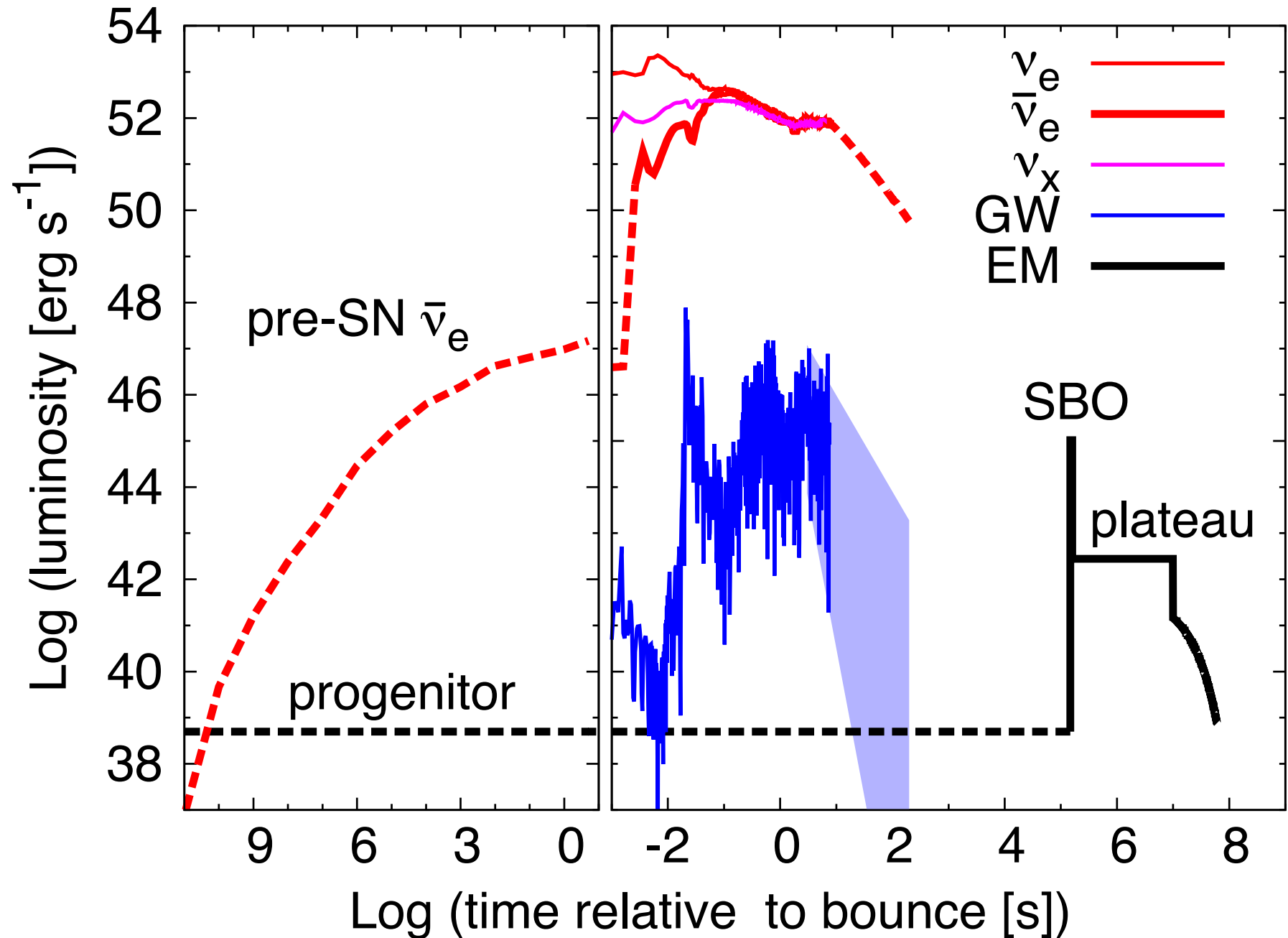
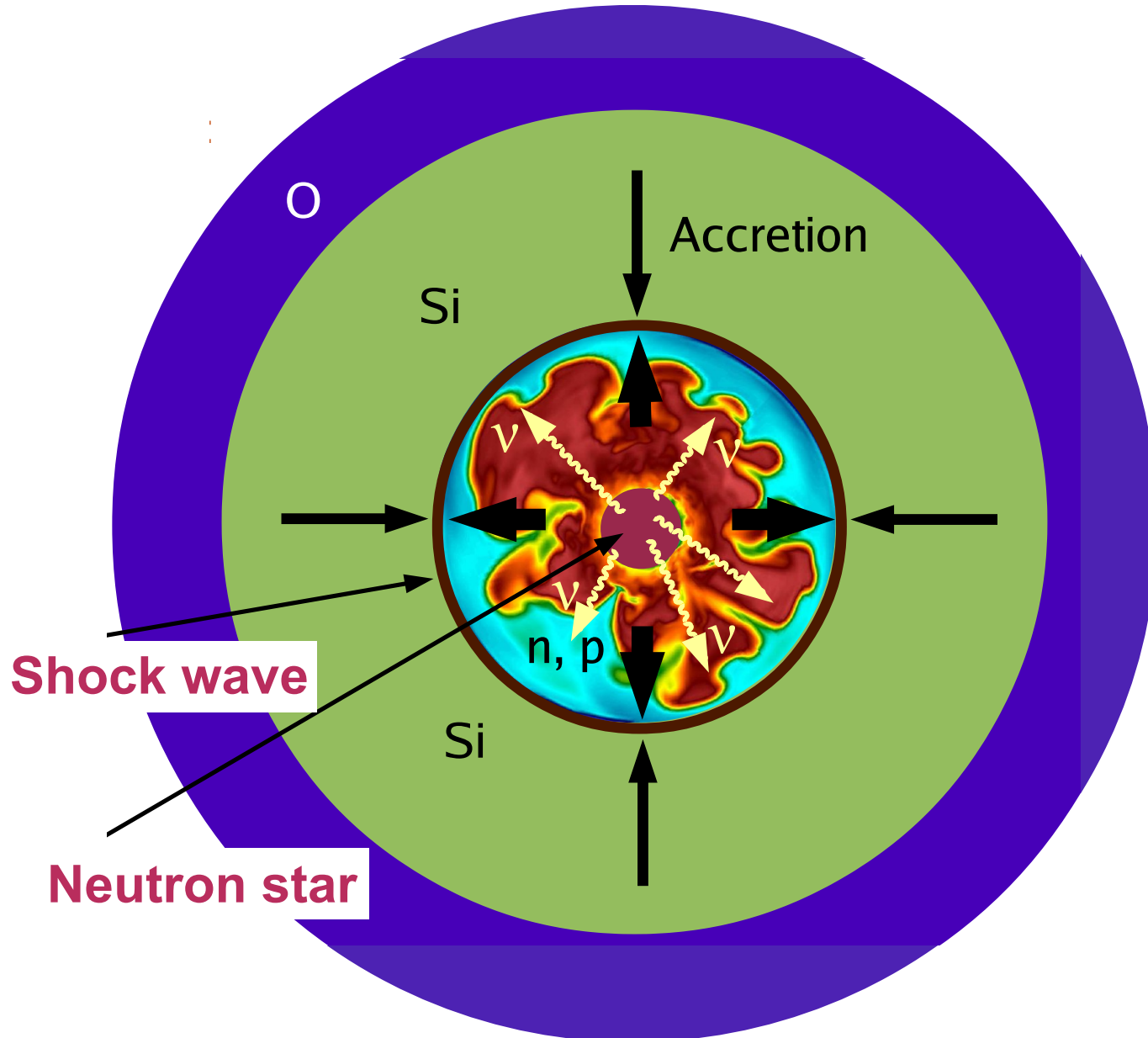


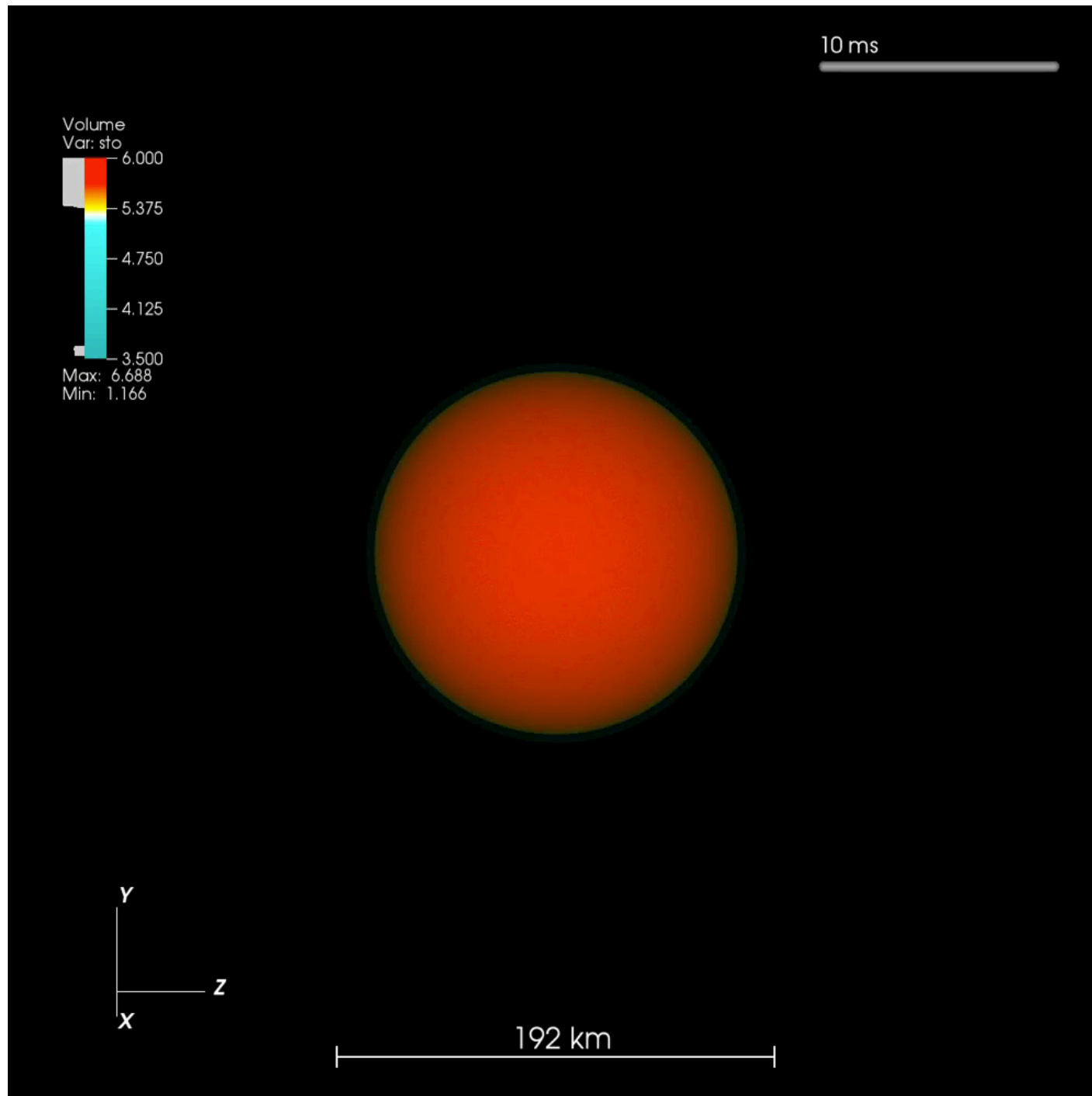
Figure from Nakamura et al., MNRAS (2016).

Supernova Explosion Mechanism

Shock wave forms within the iron core. It dissipates energy dissociating the iron layer. **Neutrinos** provide energy to the stalled shock wave to start re-expansion.



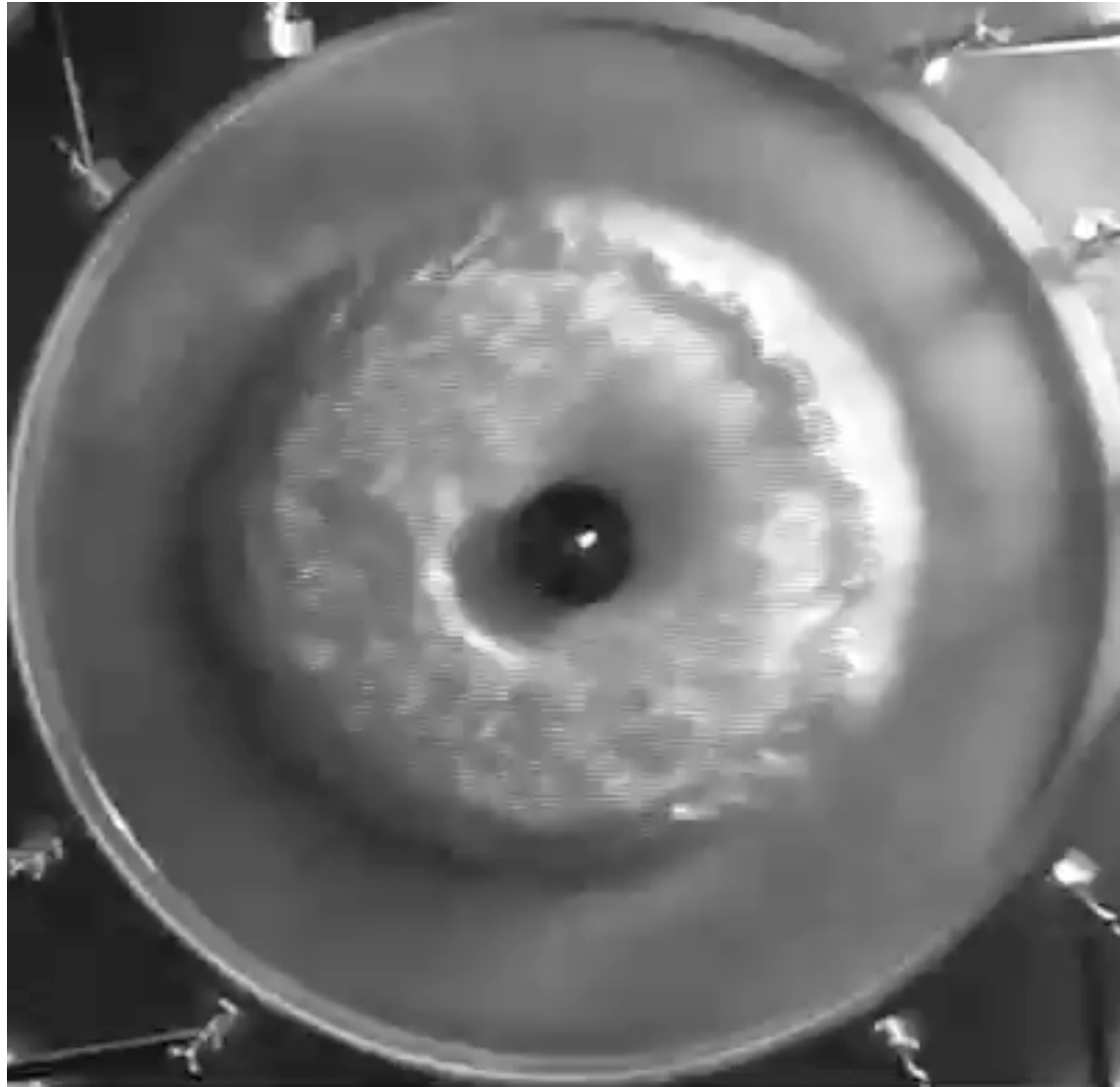
20 M_{sun} Supernova Model



Movie: 3D SN simulation ($M=20 M_{\text{sun}}$), Garching group.

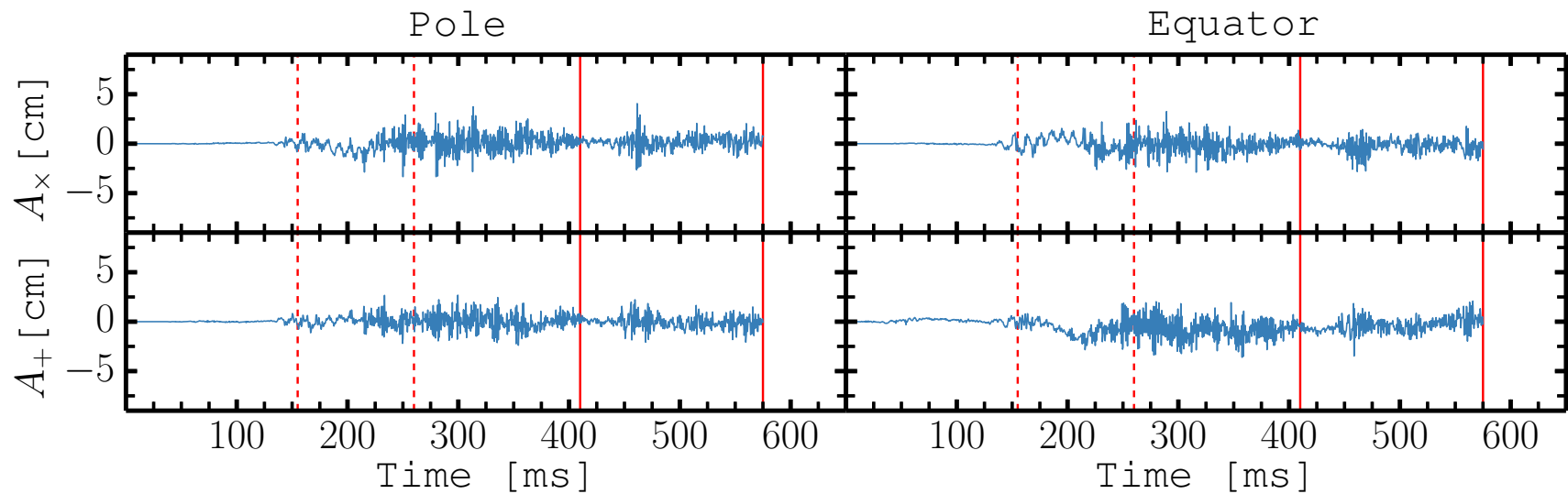
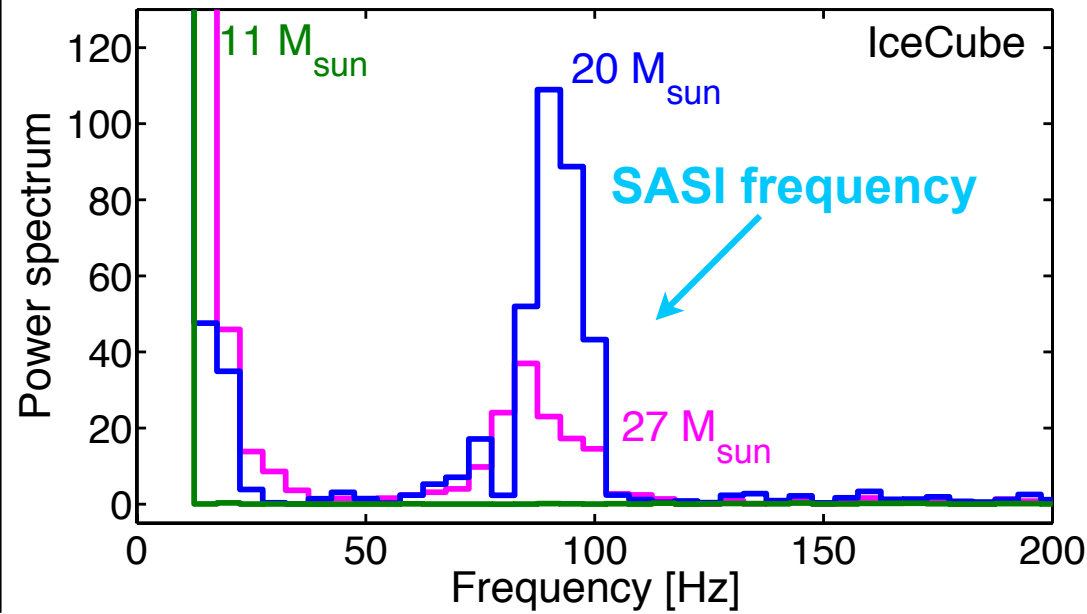
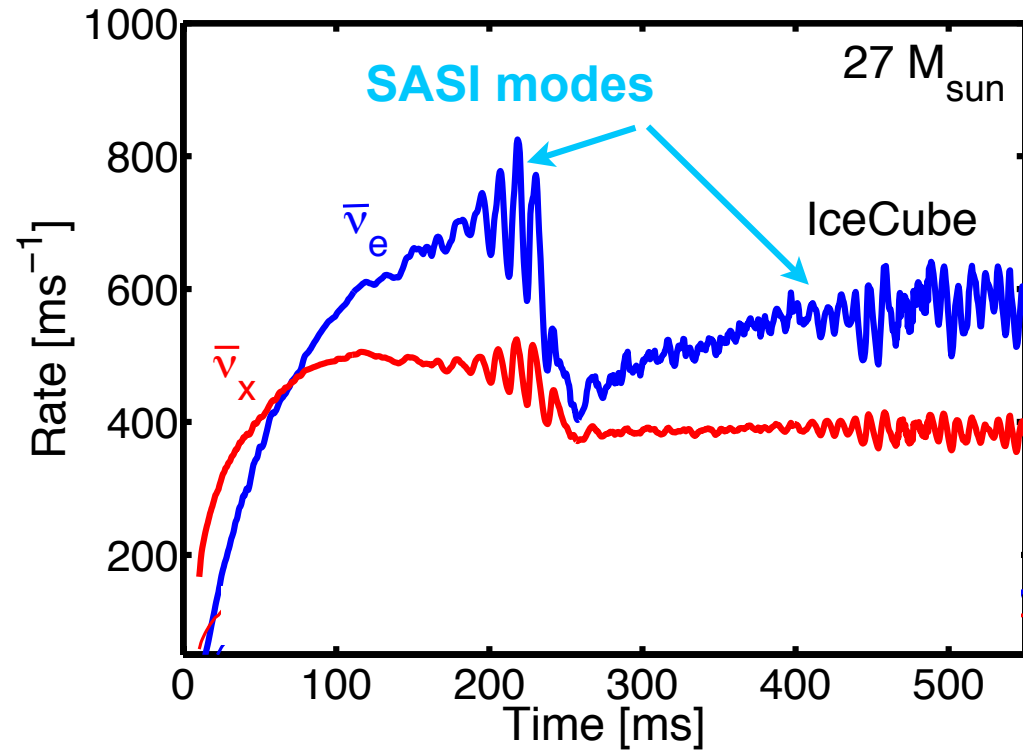
Standing Accretion Shock Instability

SWASI Experiment (Foglizzo et al., 2012)

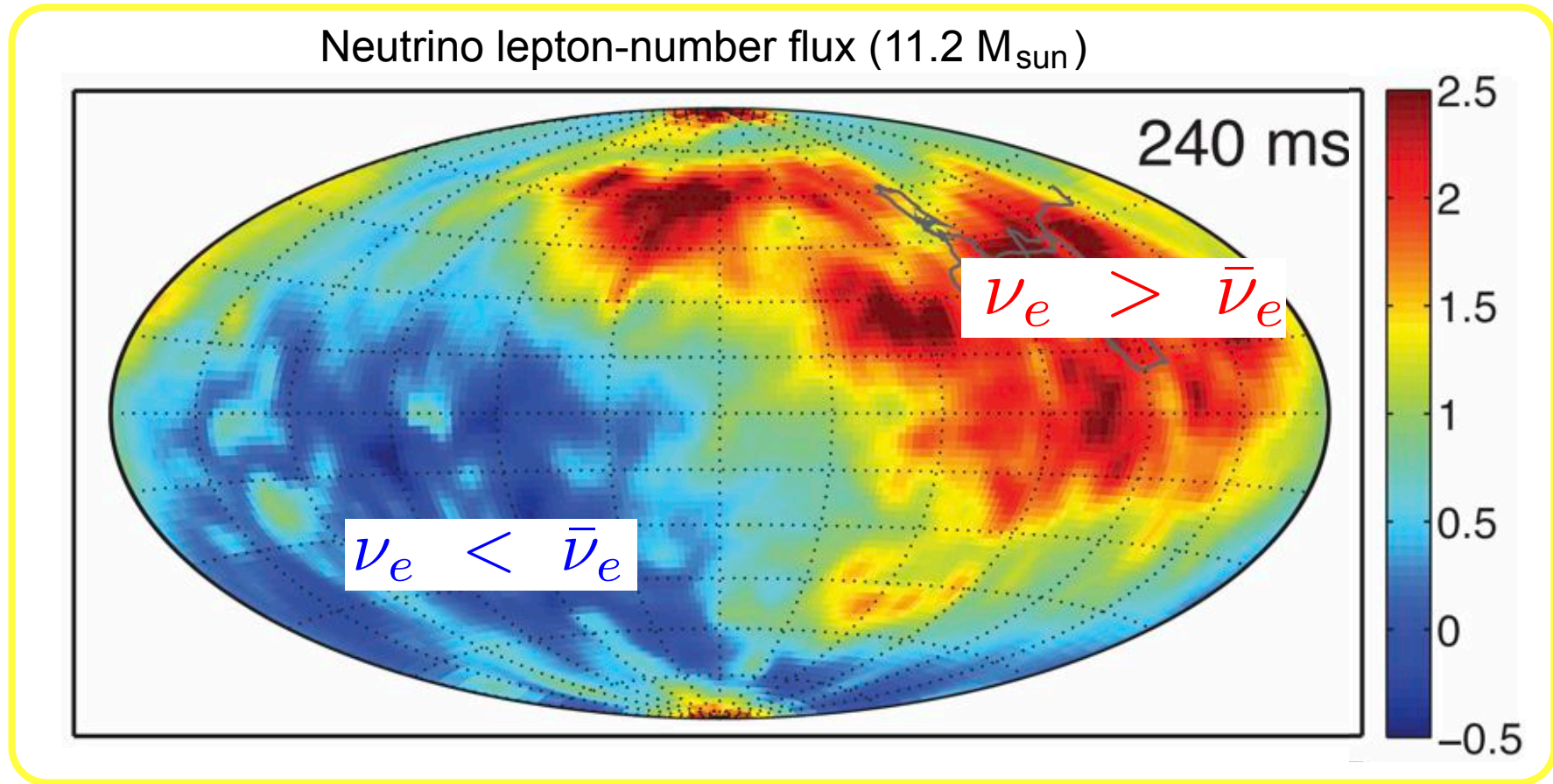


Analogue of the SASI instability, but one million times smaller and one hundred times slower than its astrophysical counterpart.

Fingerprints of the Explosion Mechanism



LESA: Neutrino-Driven Instability

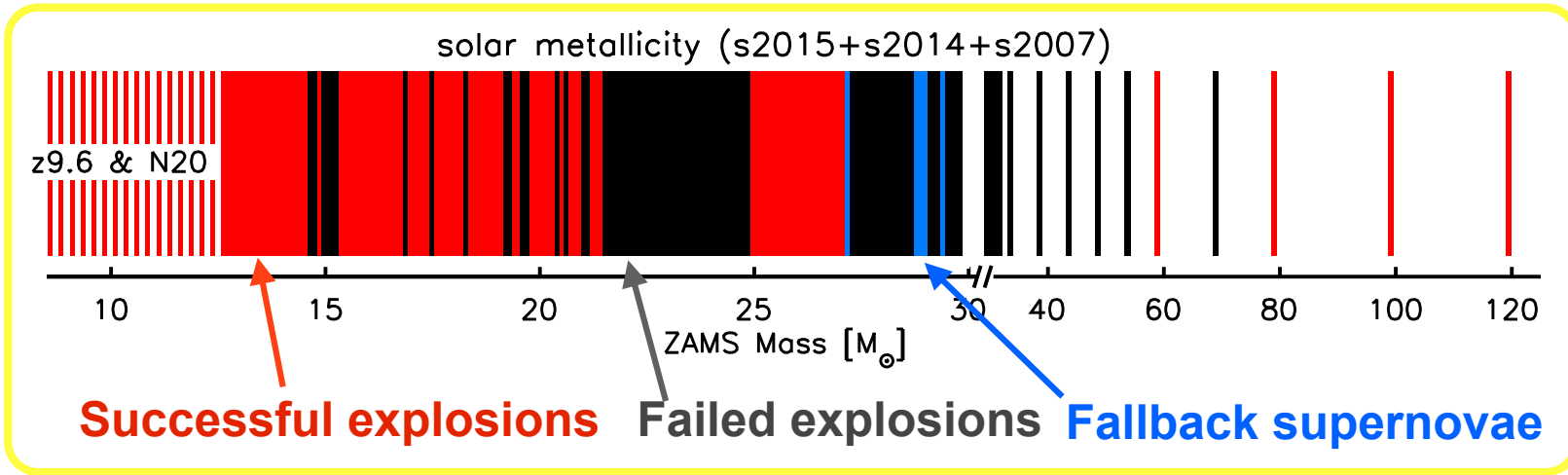


Lepton-number emission asymmetry (**LESA**): Large-scale feature with **dipole character**.

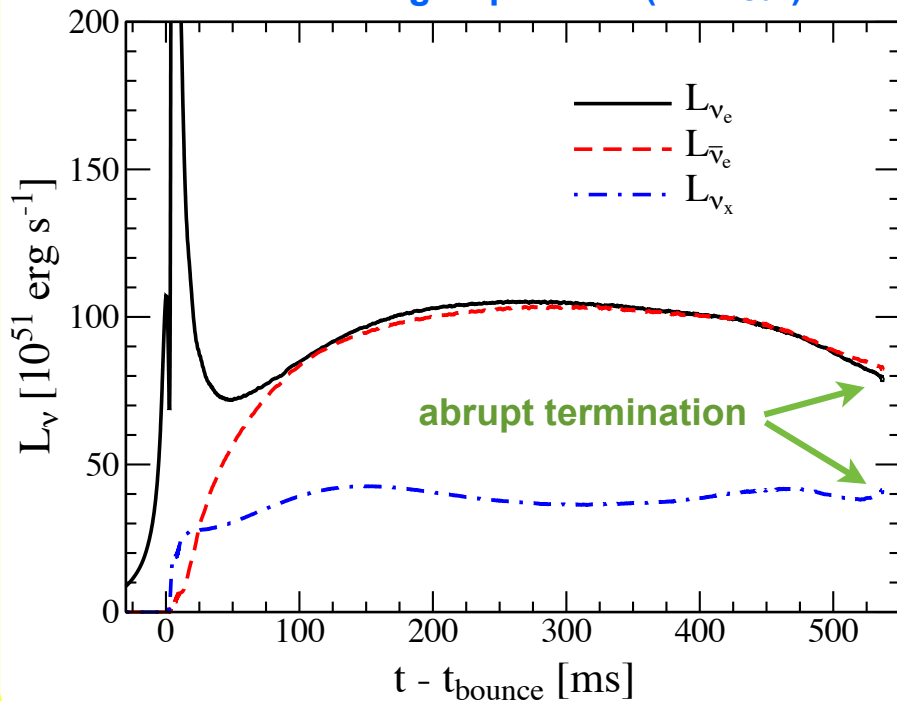
Tamborra, Hanke, Janka, Mueller, Raffelt, Marek, ApJ (2014).

Janka et al., ARNPS (2016). Glas et al., (2018), Vartanyan et al., MNRAS (2019), O'Connor & Couch, ApJ (2018).

Neutrinos Probe Black Hole Formation



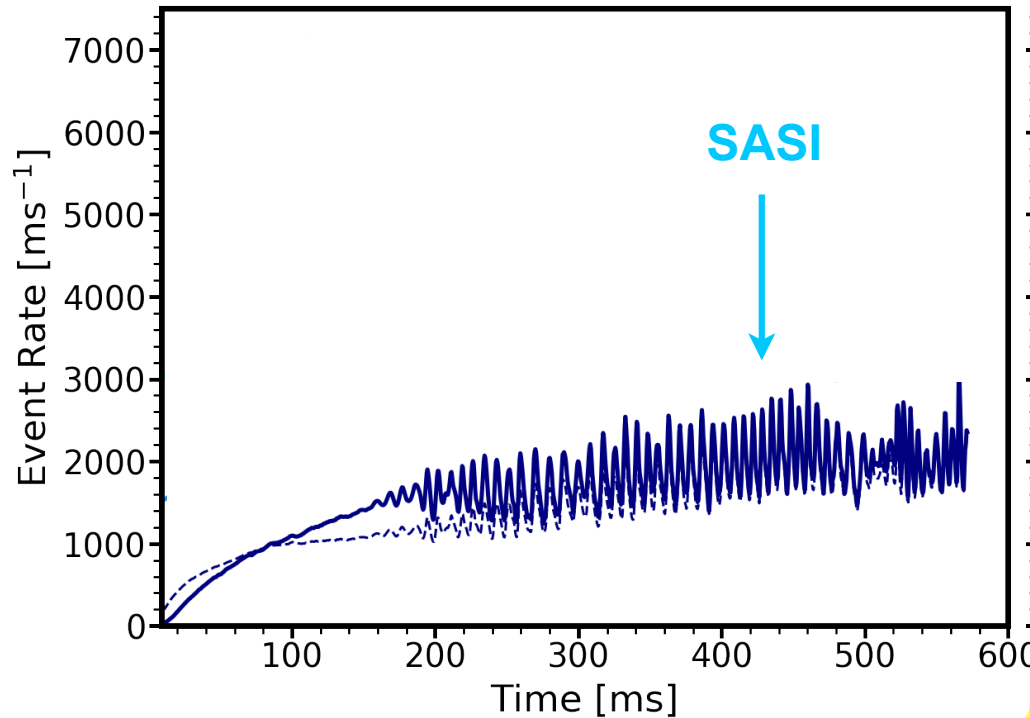
BH-forming Supernova (40 M_{sun})



- Low-mass supernovae can form black holes.
- Neutrinos reveal black-hole formation.
- Failed supernovae up to 20-40% of total.

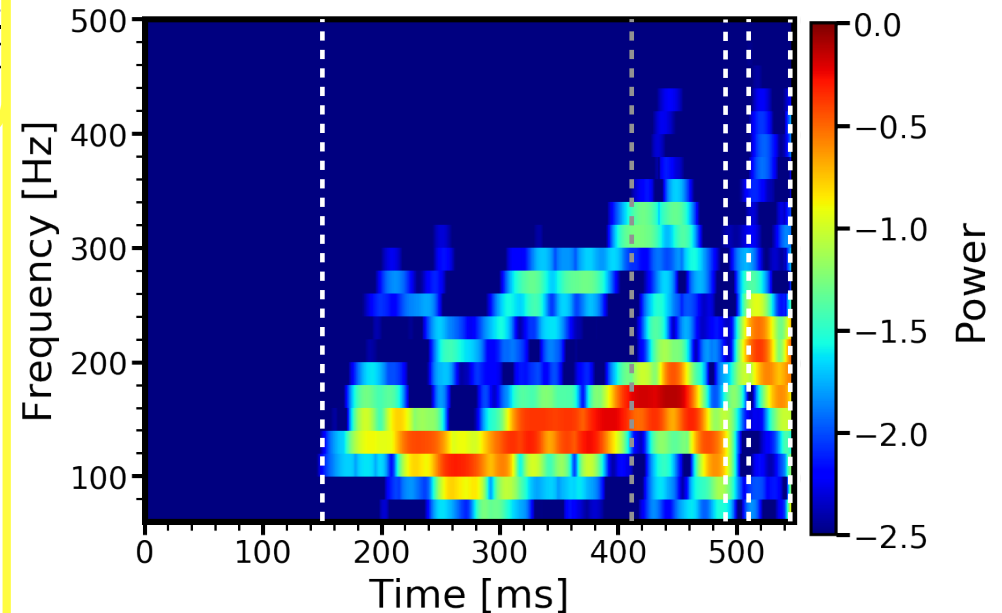
Neutrinos Probe Black Hole Formation

40 M_{\odot} Model



Neutrino (and gravitational waves) probe black-hole formation.

SASI frequency evolution = shock radius evolution

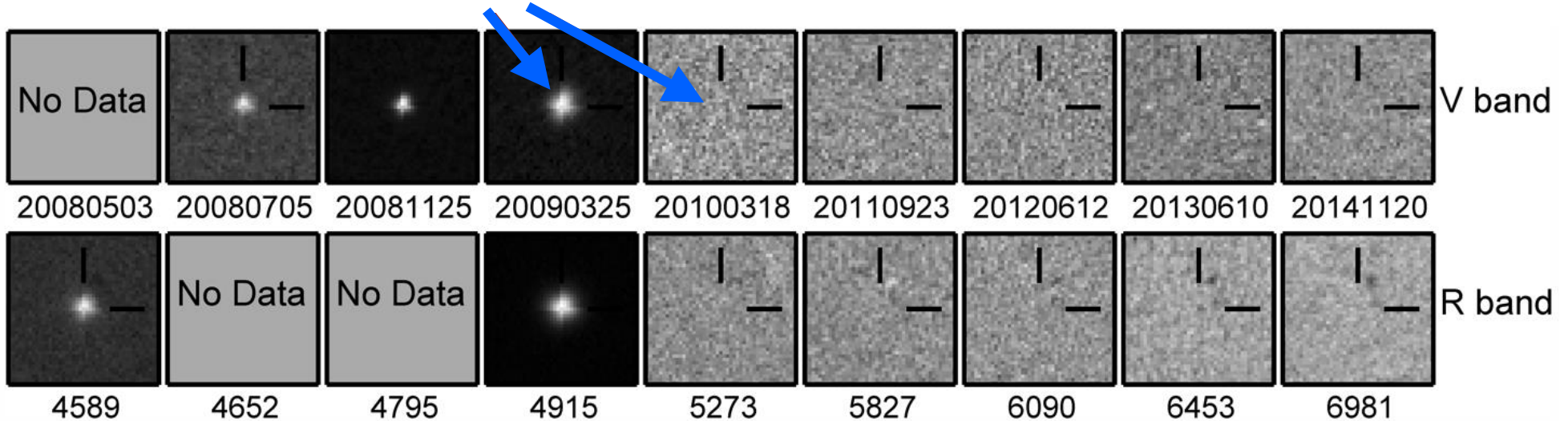


A Survey About Nothing

- Search for disappearance of red supergiants (27 galaxies within 10 Mpc with Large Binocular Telescope).
- First 7 years of survey:
6 successful core-collapse, **1 candidate failed supernova**.

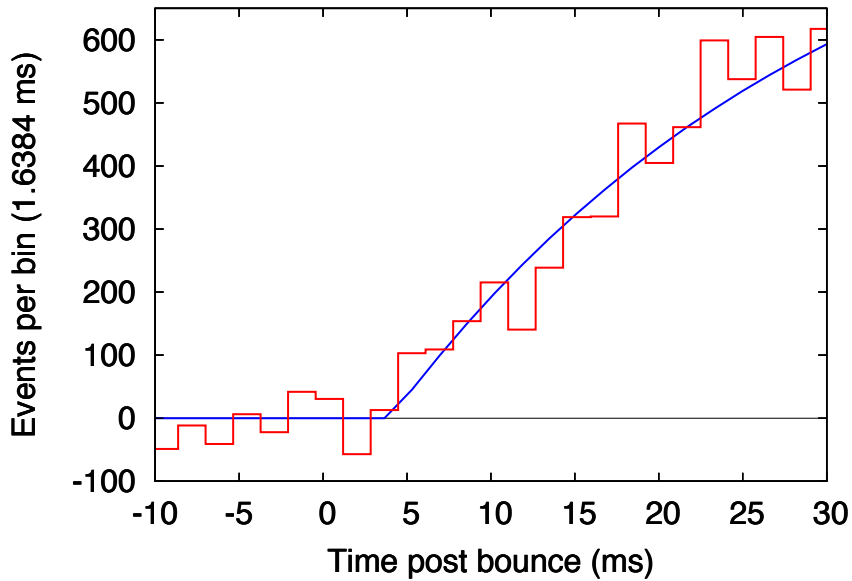


Candidate failed SN



Failed core-collapse fraction: 4-43% (90% CL)

Neutrino Timing

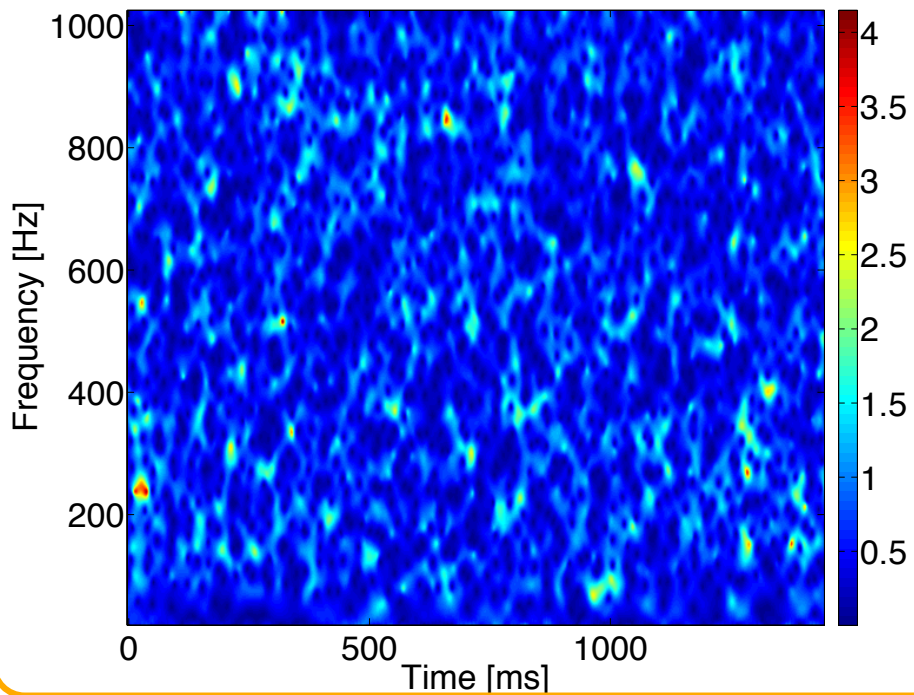


Probe core bounce time with neutrinos.

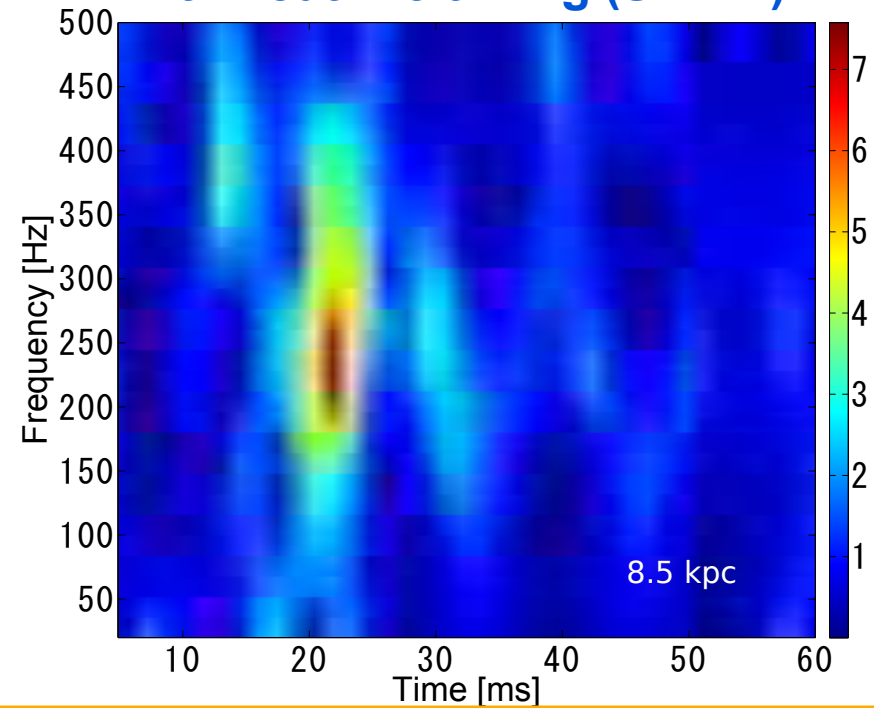


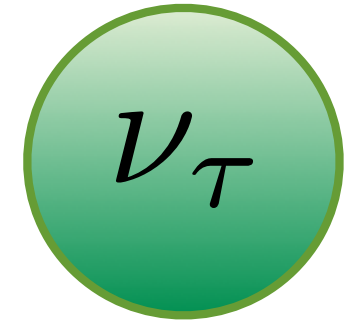
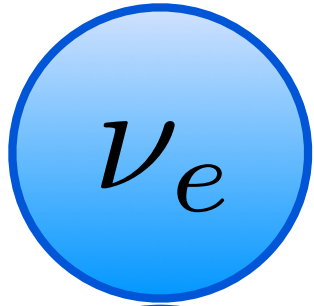
Timing for gravitational wave detection.

Without neutrino timing (S/N~3.5)

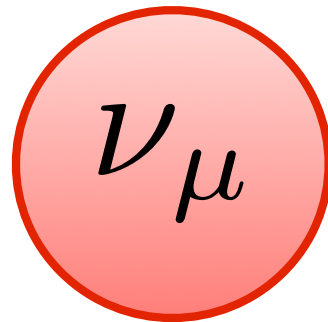


With neutrino timing (S/N ~7)





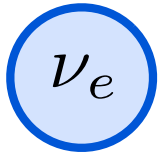
Flavor Evolution



Neutrino Flavor Conversions

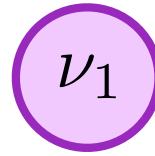
Neutrinos **convert** into each other by flavor mixing, because of their tiny non-vanishing mass.

Flavor eigenstates



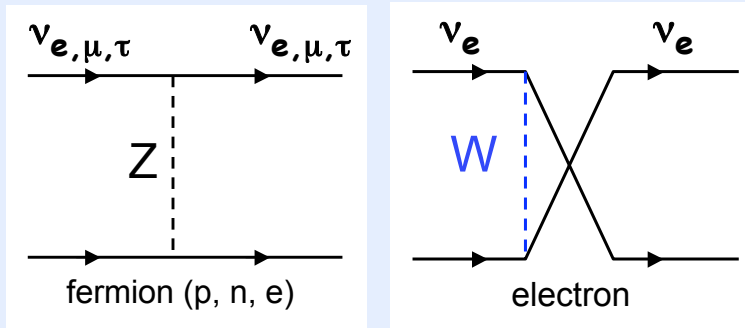
= Linear combination

Mass eigenstates

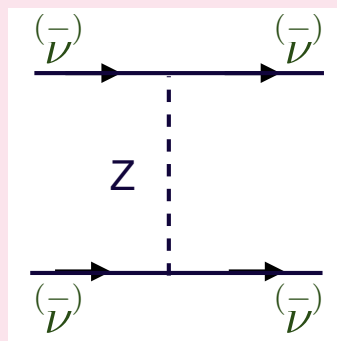


- Neutrino flavor ratio provides information about **neutrino properties**.
- Flavor conversions are affected by the matter distribution of the source.
- Flavor conversions strongly affect source dynamics.

Neutrino Interactions



Neutrinos interact with neutrons, protons and electrons (MSW enhanced conversions).

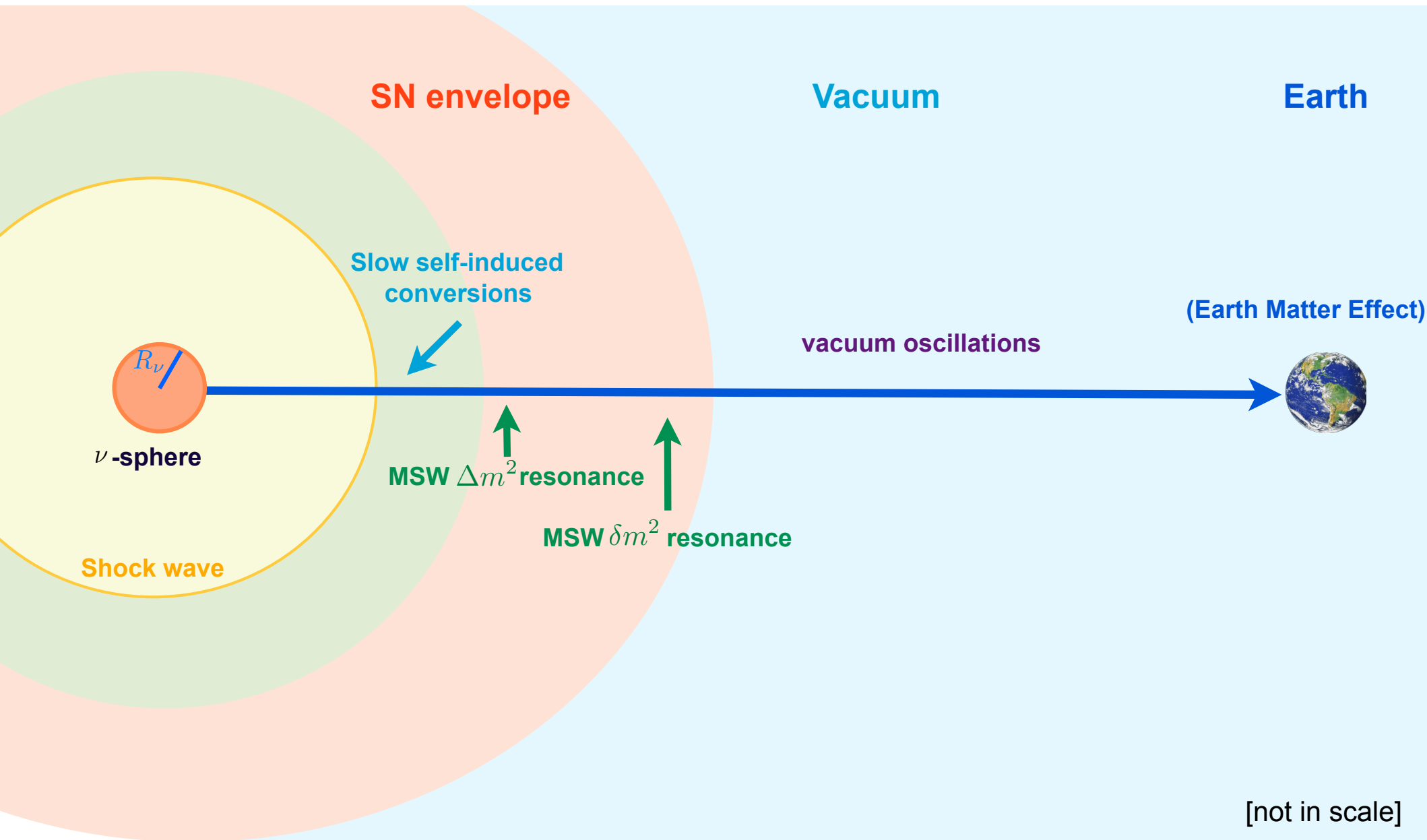


$\nu - \nu$ interactions

Non-linear phenomenon

Angular distributions crucial!

Simplified Picture of Flavor Conversions



Fast Pairwise Neutrino Conversions

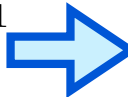
Flavor conversion (vacuum or MSW): $\nu_e(p) \rightarrow \nu_\mu(p)$.

Lepton flavor violation by mass and mixing.

Pairwise flavor exchange by $\nu - \nu$ scattering:

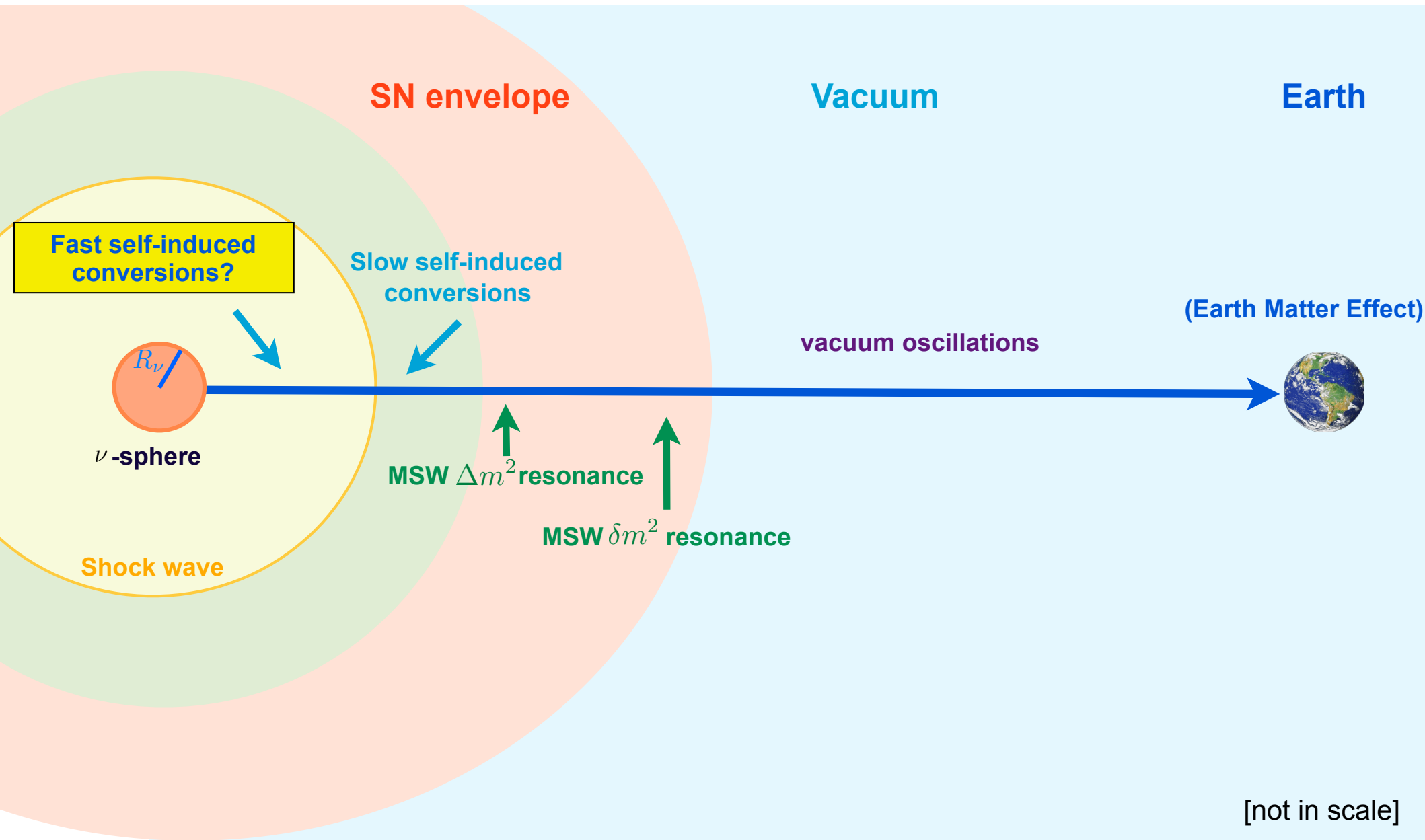
$$\begin{aligned} \nu_e(p) + \bar{\nu}_e(k) &\rightarrow \nu_\mu(p) + \bar{\nu}_\mu(k) \\ \nu_e(p) + \nu_\mu(k) &\rightarrow \nu_\mu(p) + \nu_e(k) \end{aligned}$$

Can occur **without masses/mixing**. No net lepton flavor change.

Growth rate: $\sqrt{2}G_F(n_{\nu_e} - n_{\bar{\nu}_e}) \simeq 6.42 \text{ m}^{-1}$ vs. $\frac{\Delta m^2}{2E} \simeq 0.5 \text{ km}^{-1}$  **“Fast” conversions**

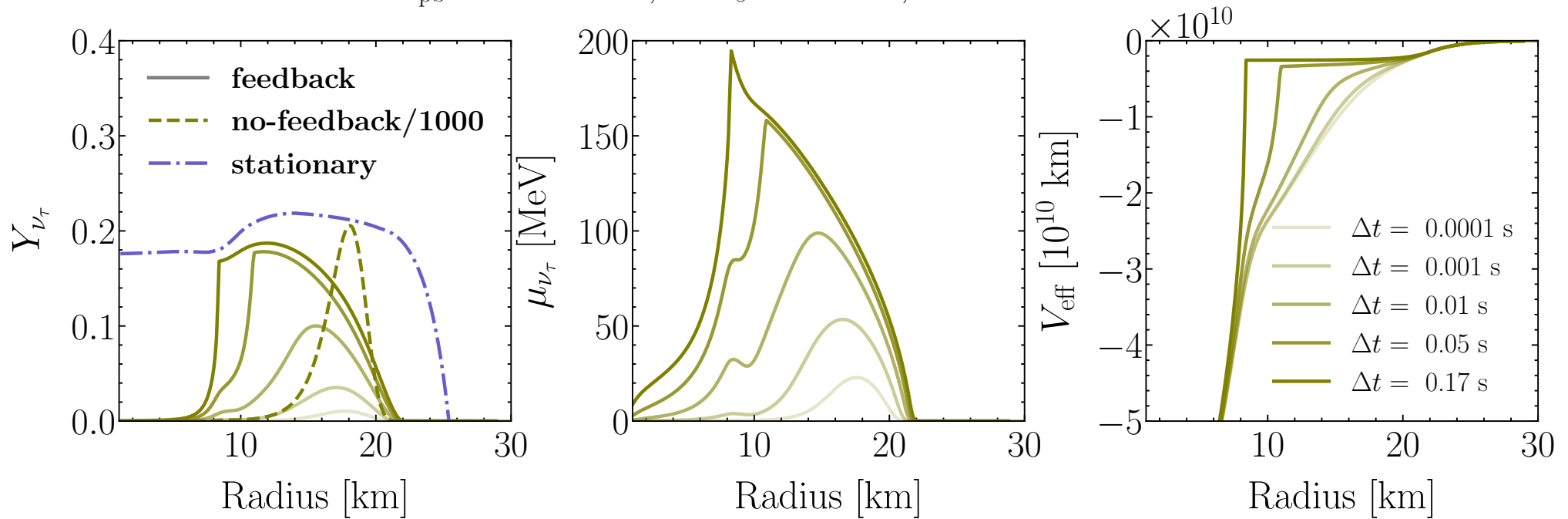
Flavor conversion may occur close to neutrino decoupling region. **Further work needed.**

Simplified Picture of Flavor Conversions



Non Standard Physics in Supernovae

$$t_{\text{pb}} = 0.5 + \Delta t \text{ s}, \quad \Delta m_s = 10 \text{ keV}, \quad \sin^2 2\theta = 10^{-10}$$

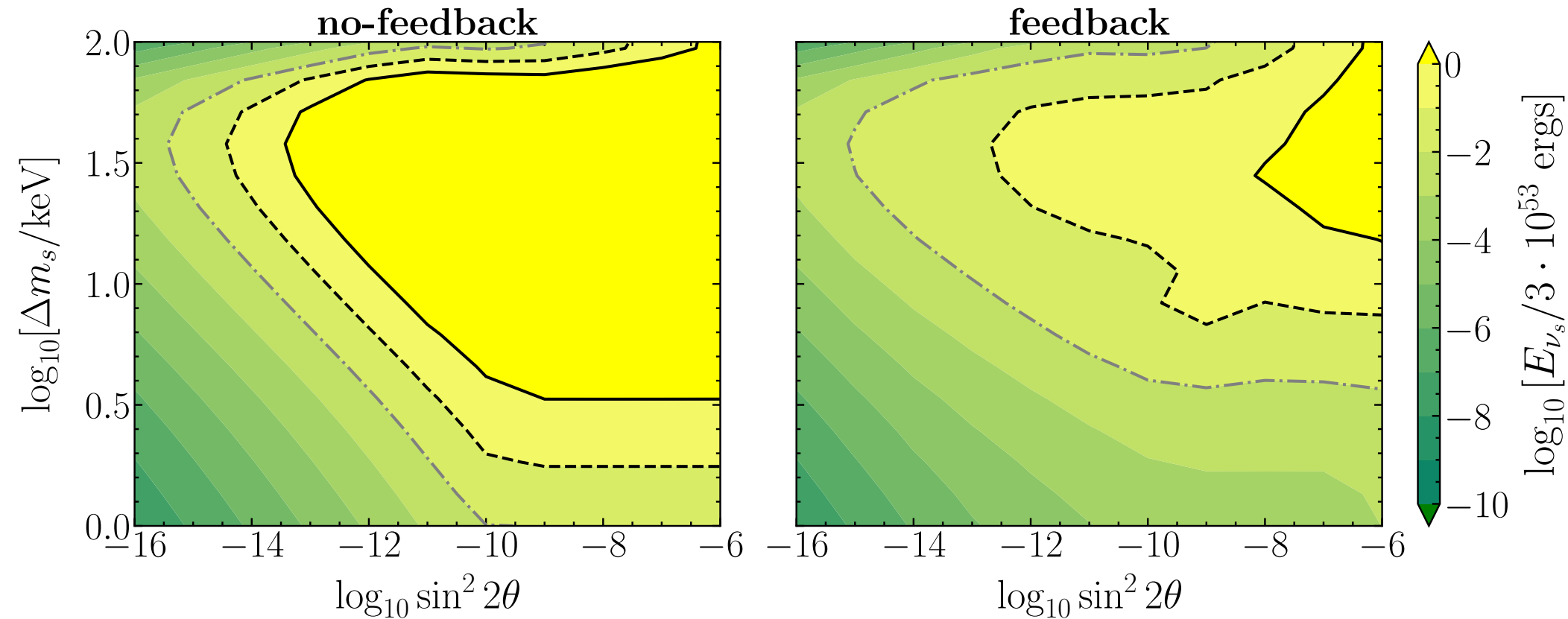


keV-mass sterile neutrinos significantly affect SN physics and observable signal.

Dynamical feedback on SN physics is crucial!

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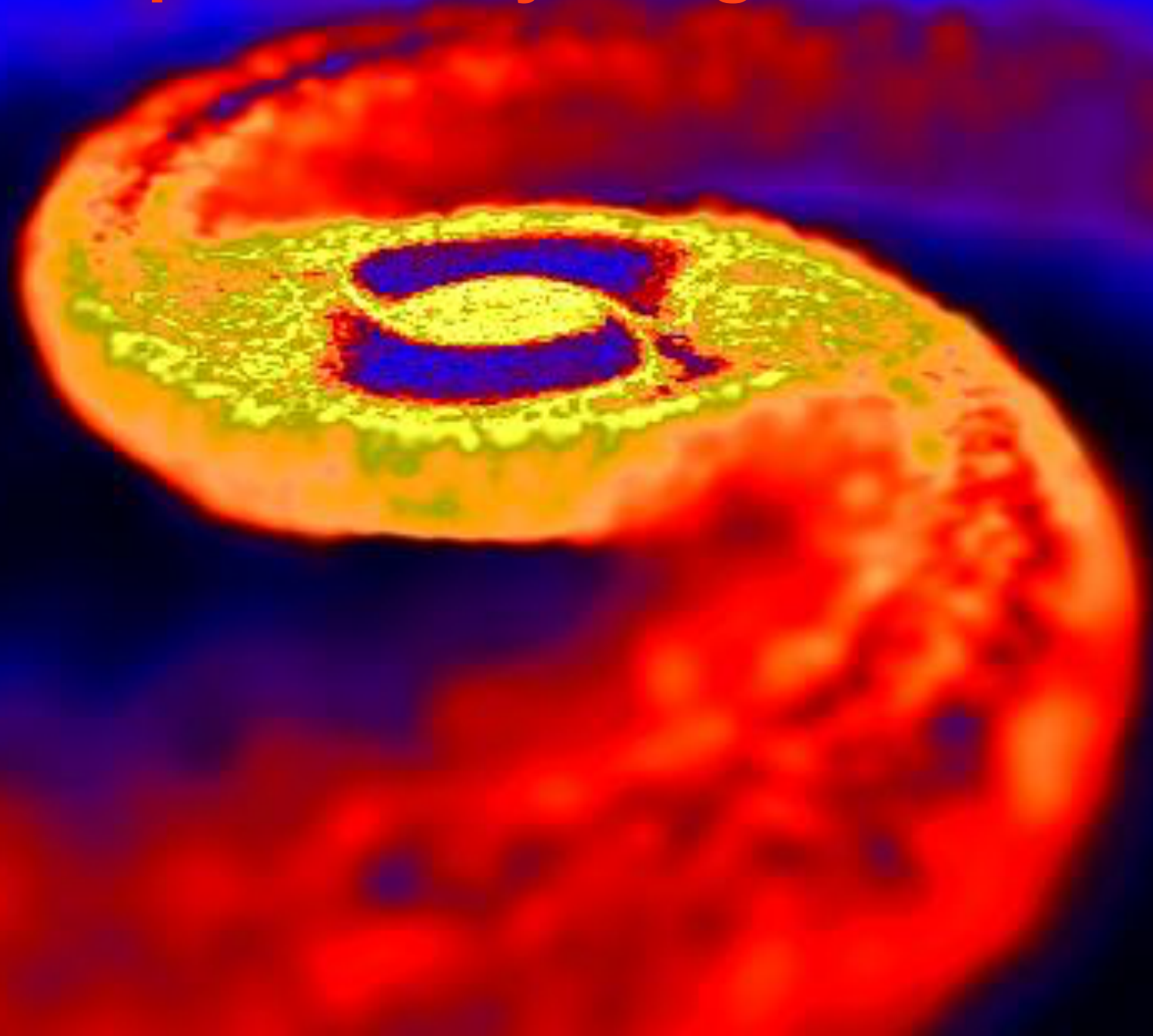
$$t_{\text{pb}} = 0.5 \text{ s}$$



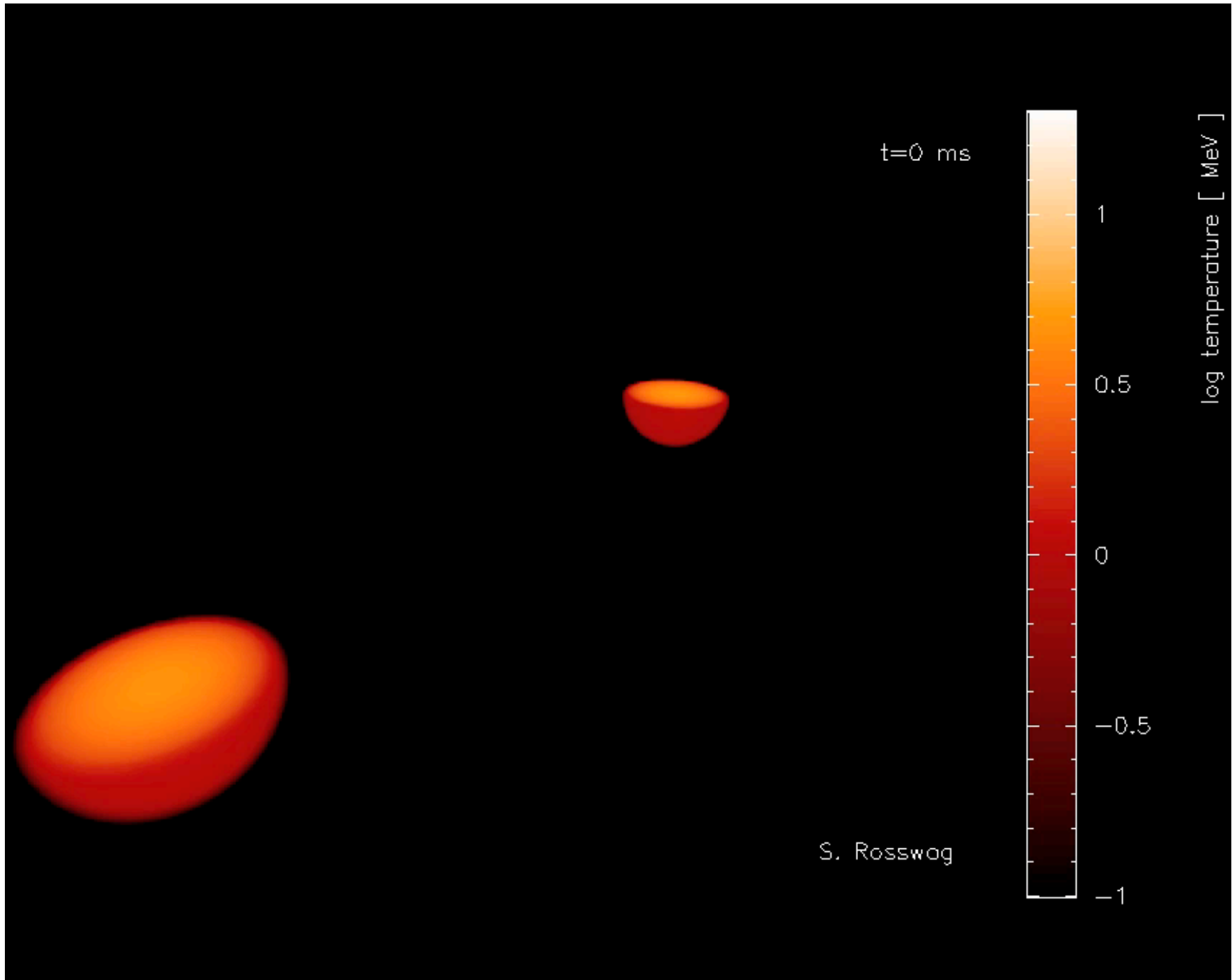
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Compact Binary Mergers

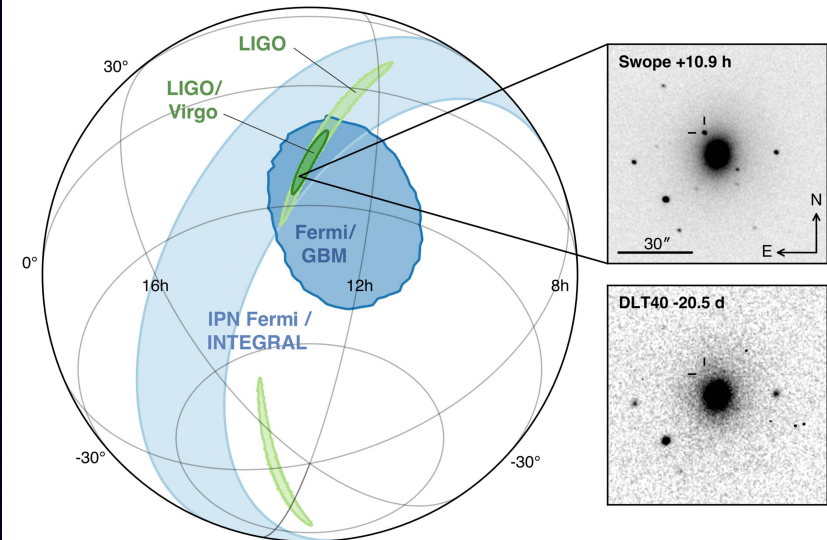
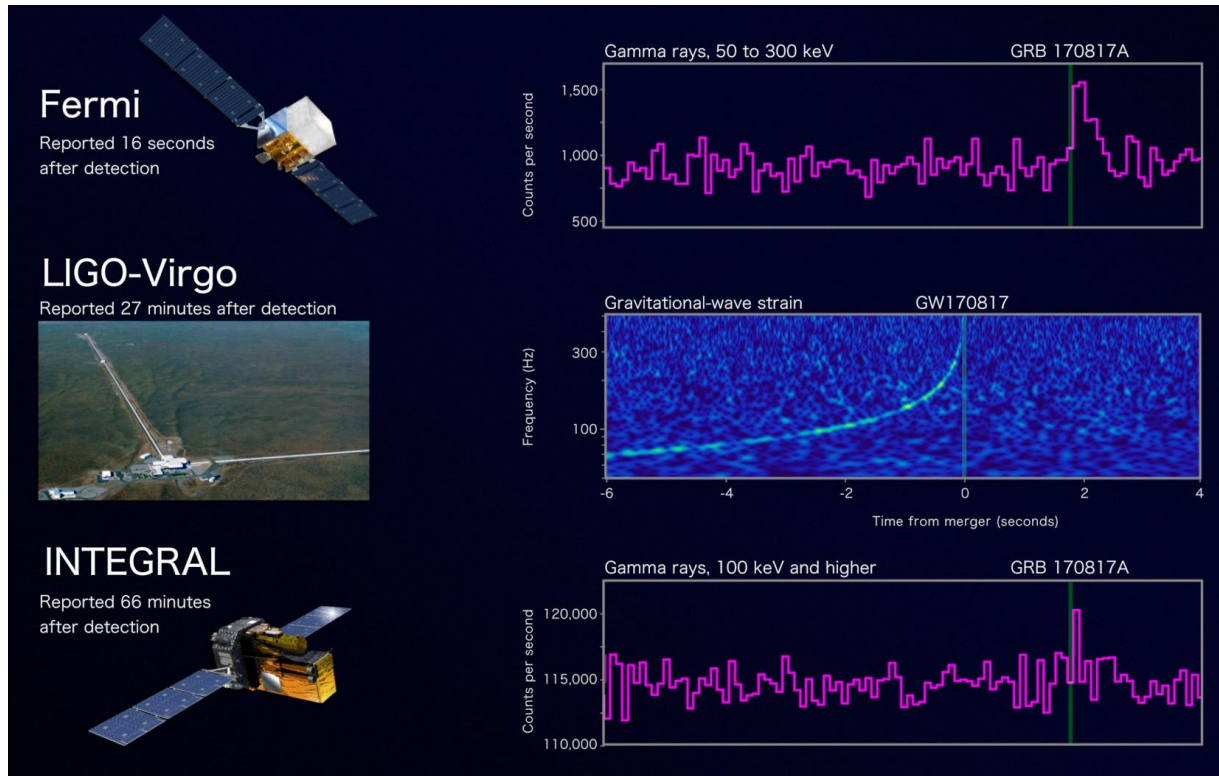


Neutron Star - Neutron Star Merger (1.3-1.4 M_{sun})



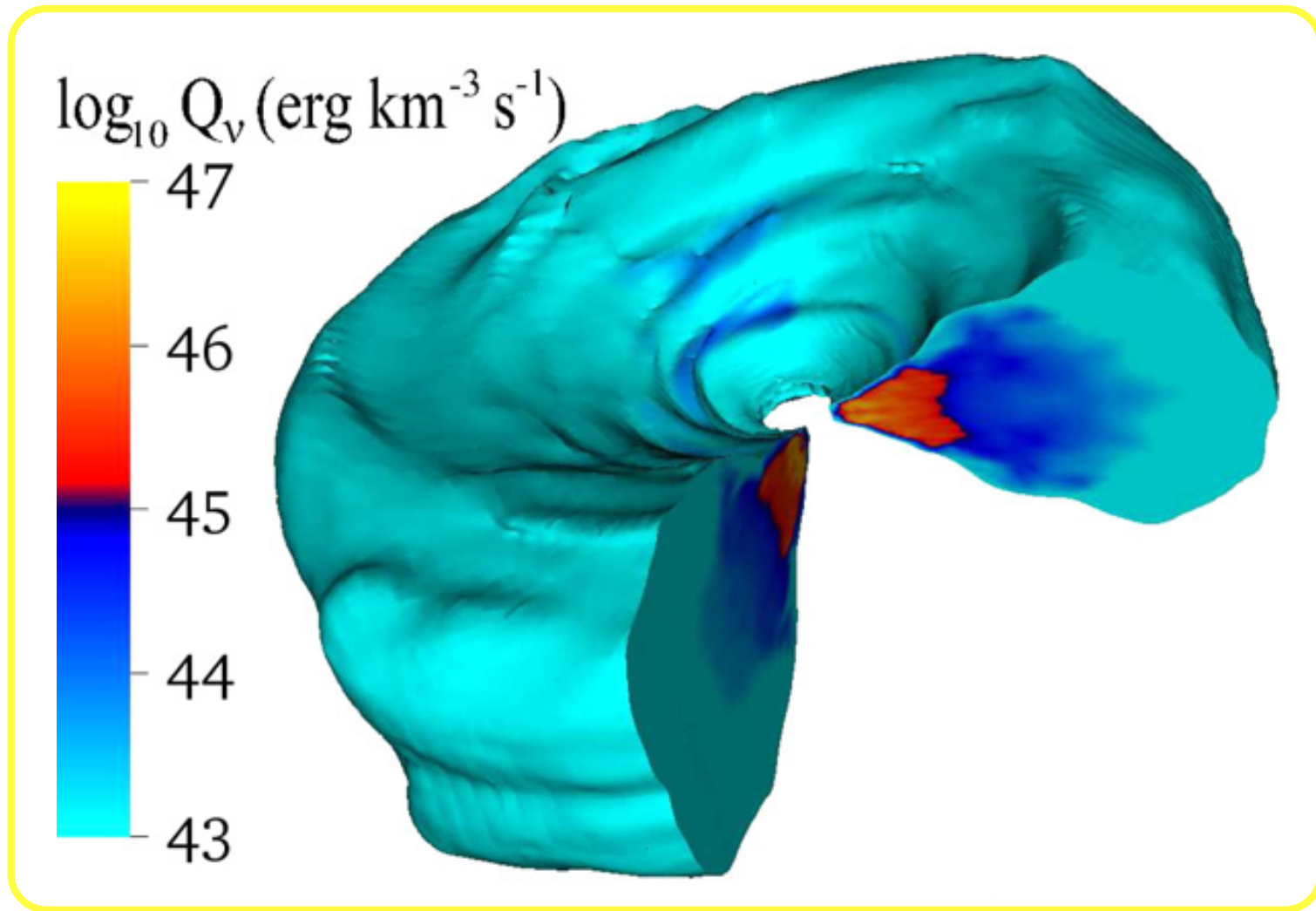
Coalescence of two neutron stars, Rosswog, Piran, Nakar, MNRAS (2013).

Multi-Messenger Fingerprints of Mergers



First joint detection of gravitational and electromagnetic radiation (GW170817 & GRB170817A).

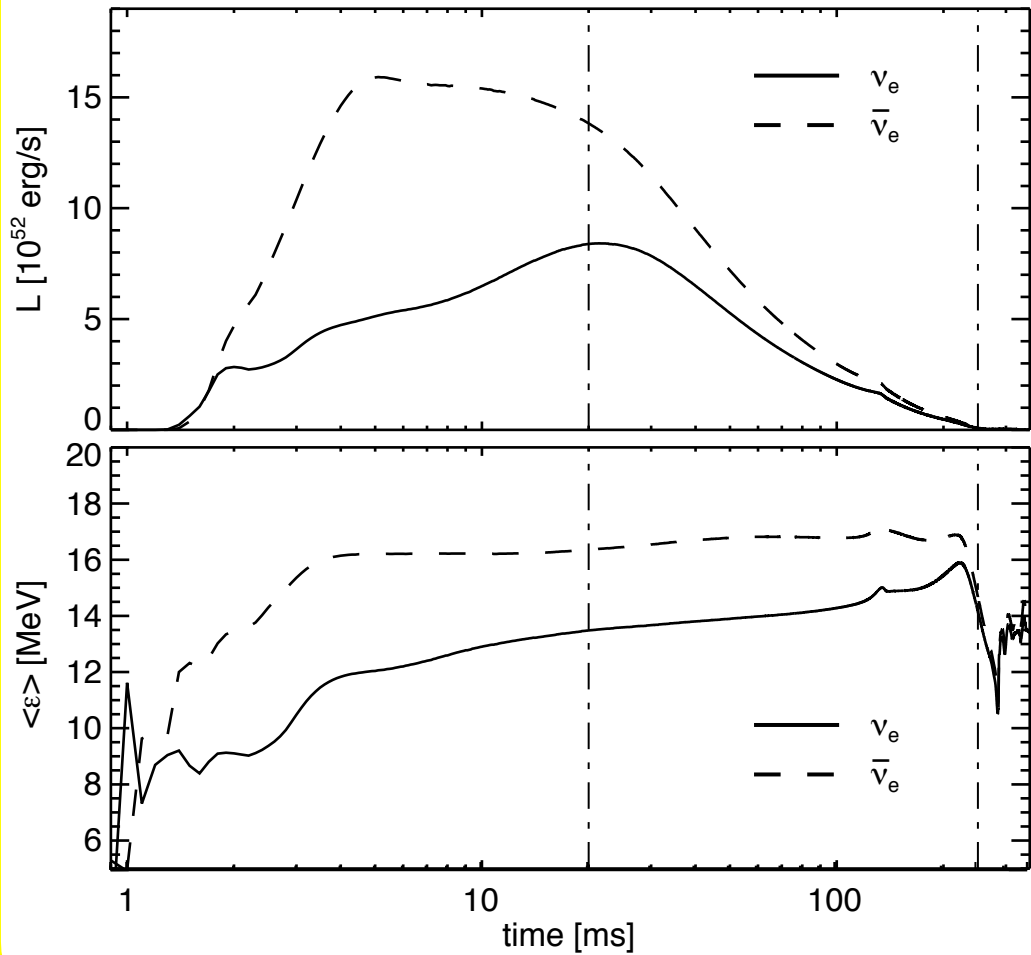
Neutrinos and Compact Binary Mergers



Compact binary mergers are neutrino rich environments (similarly to supernovae).

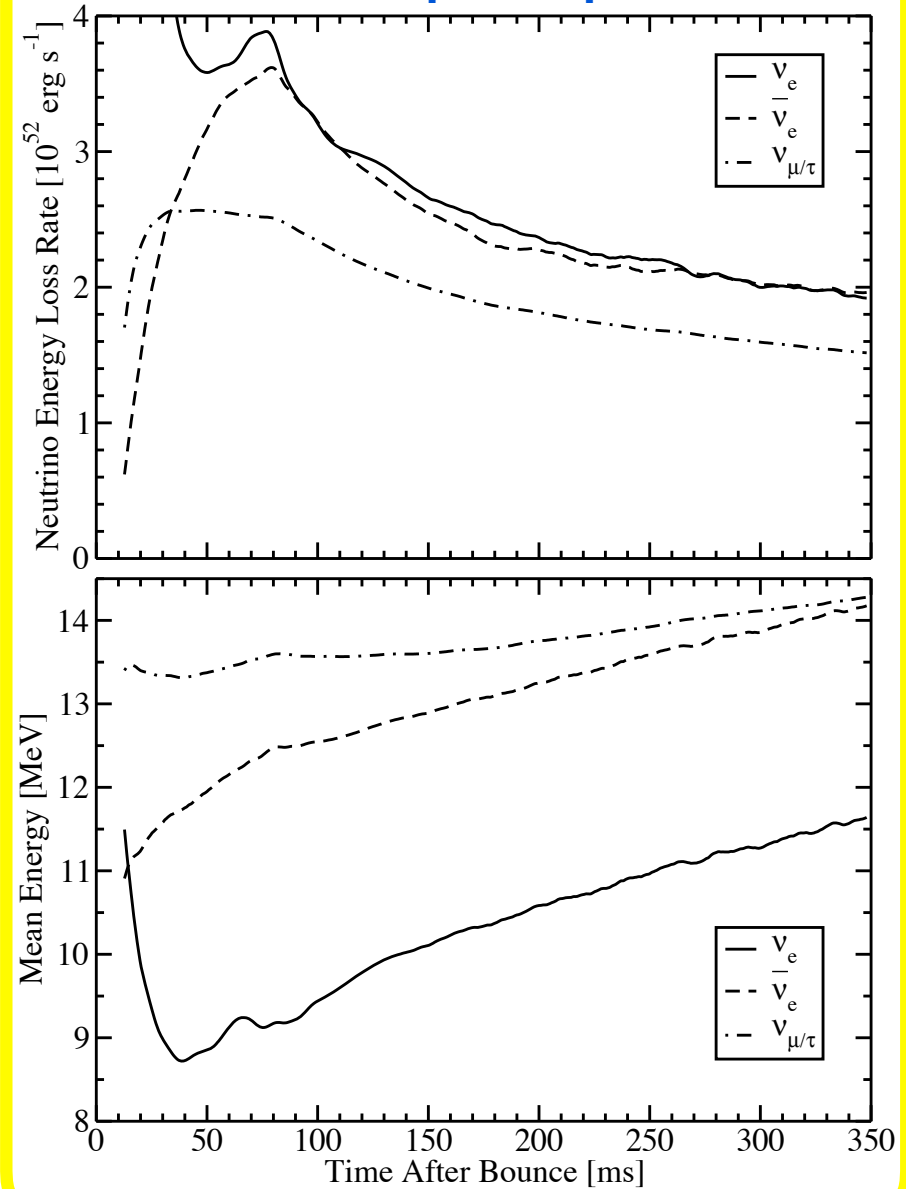
Neutrino Emission Properties

Neutron star merger remnant

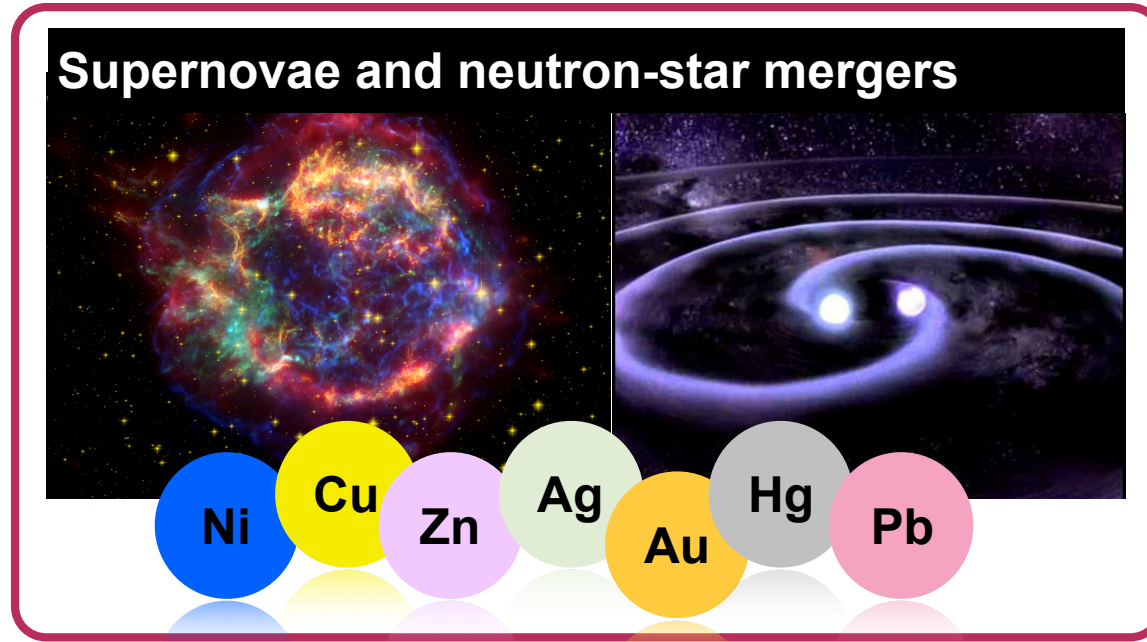


Mergers exhibit excess of anti-neutrinos over neutrinos (conversely to supernovae).

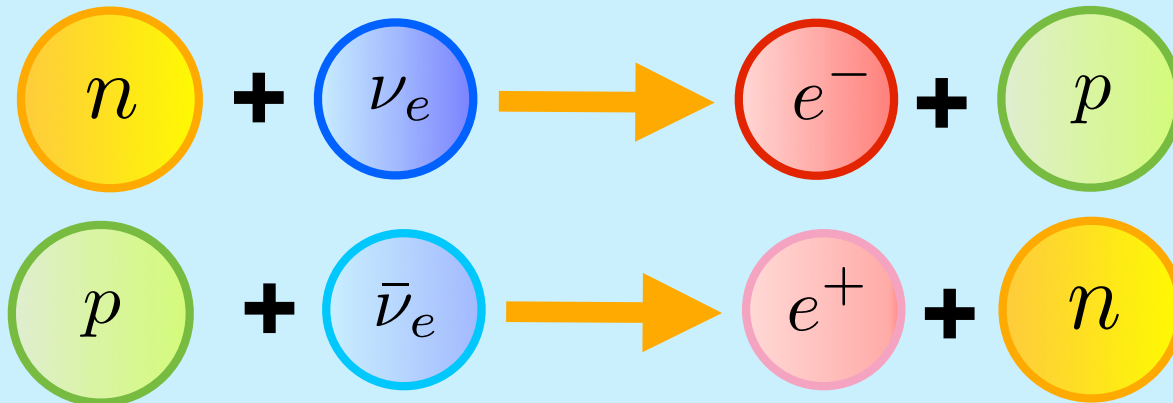
Core-collapse supernova



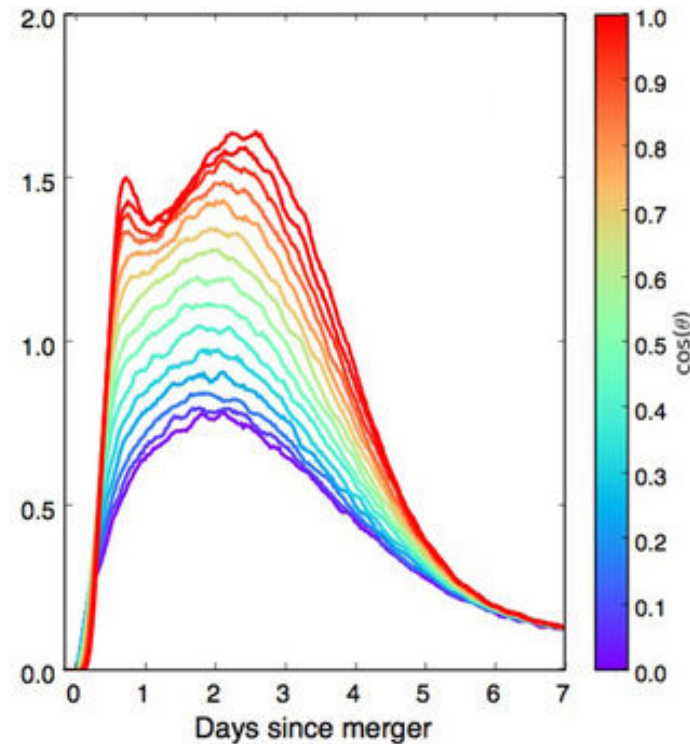
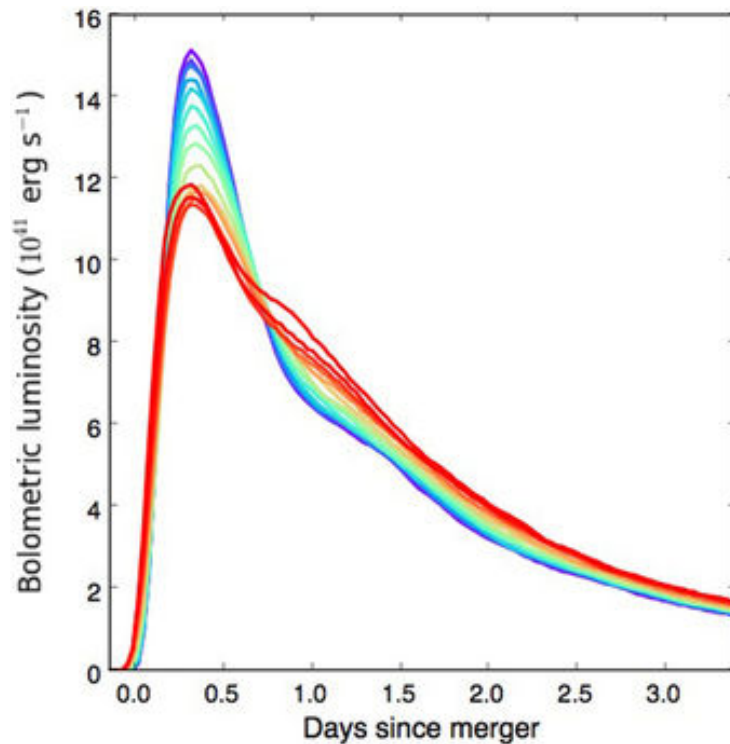
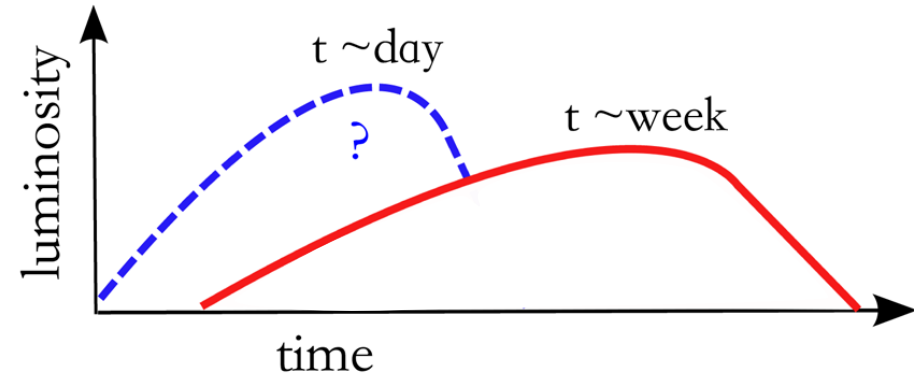
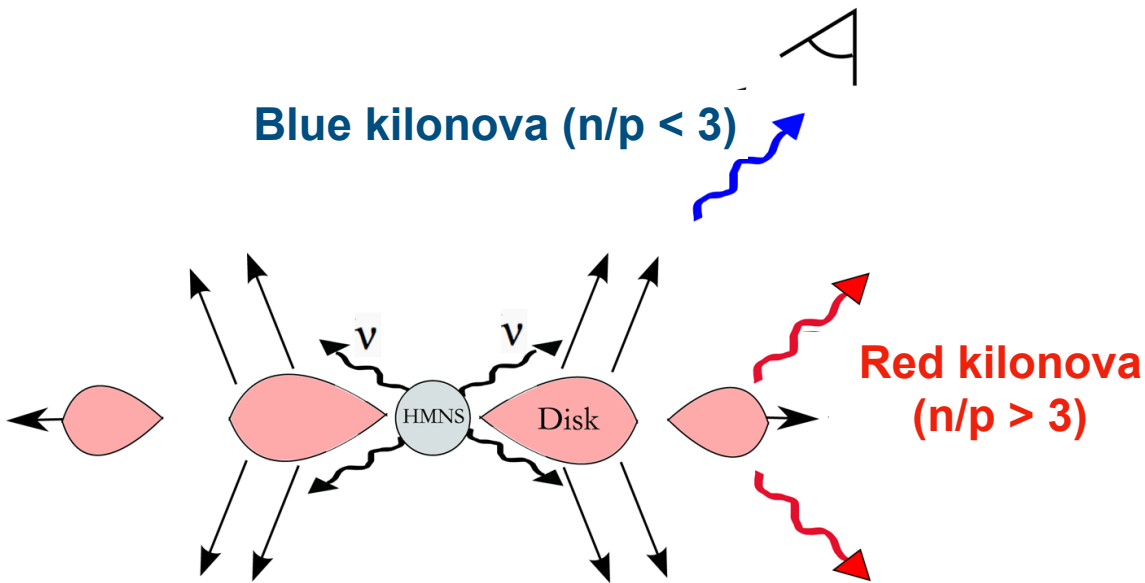
Stellar Nucleosynthesis



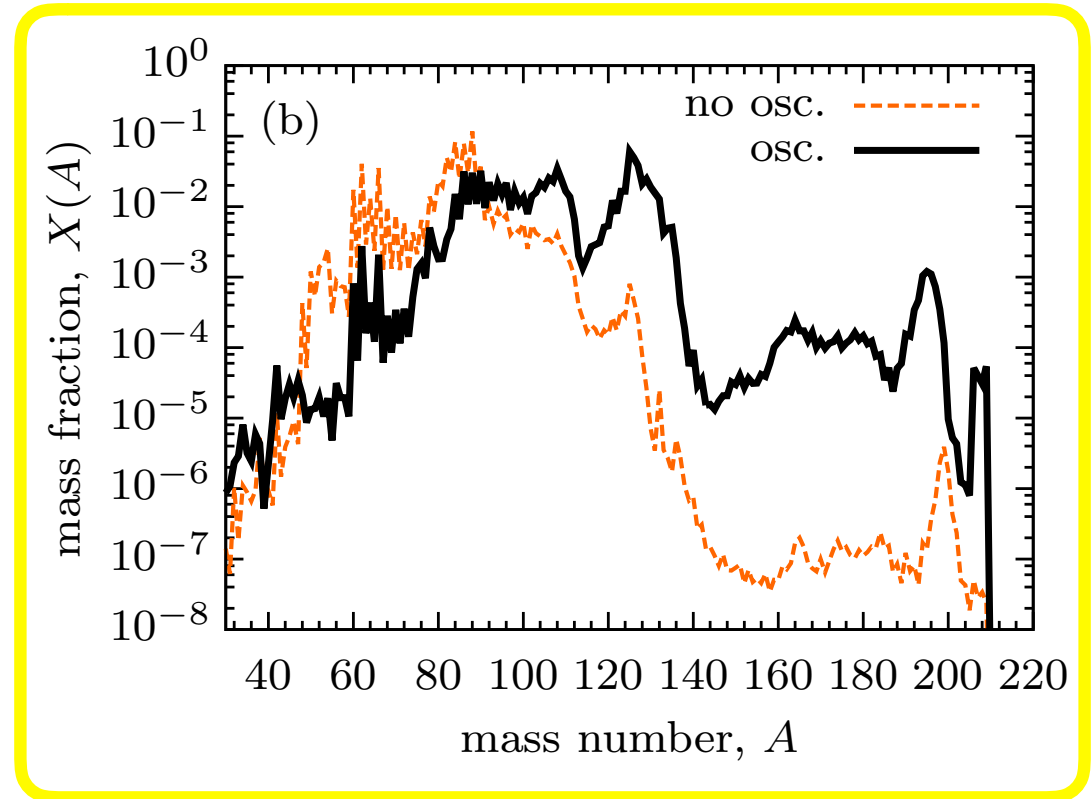
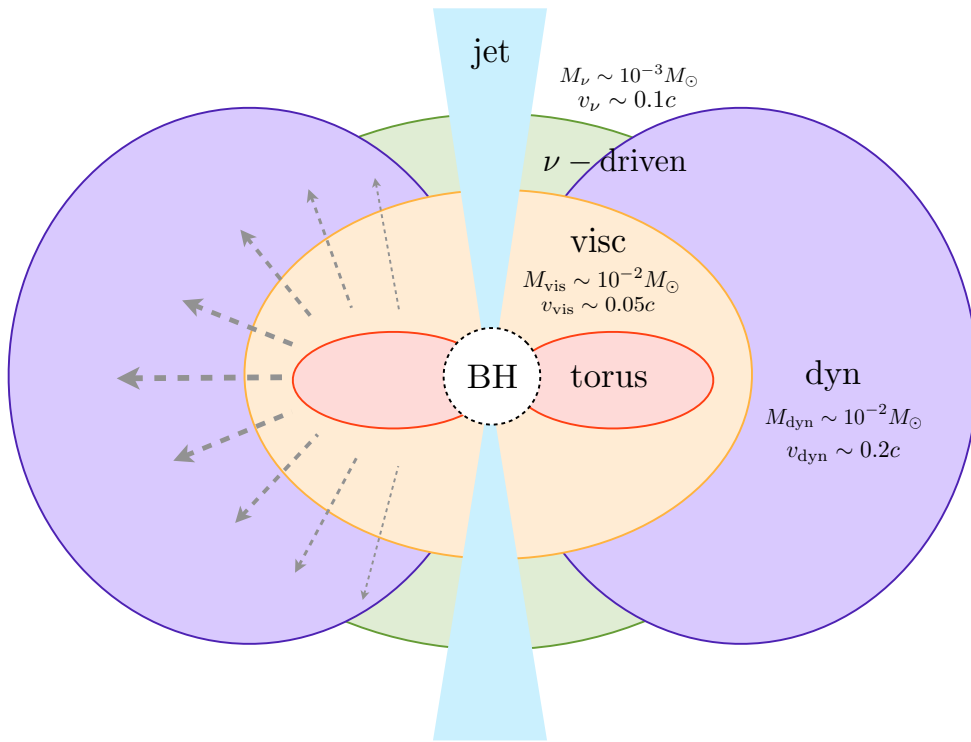
Synthesis of new elements could not happen without neutrinos.



Red and Blue Kilonova Components



What About Neutrinos?



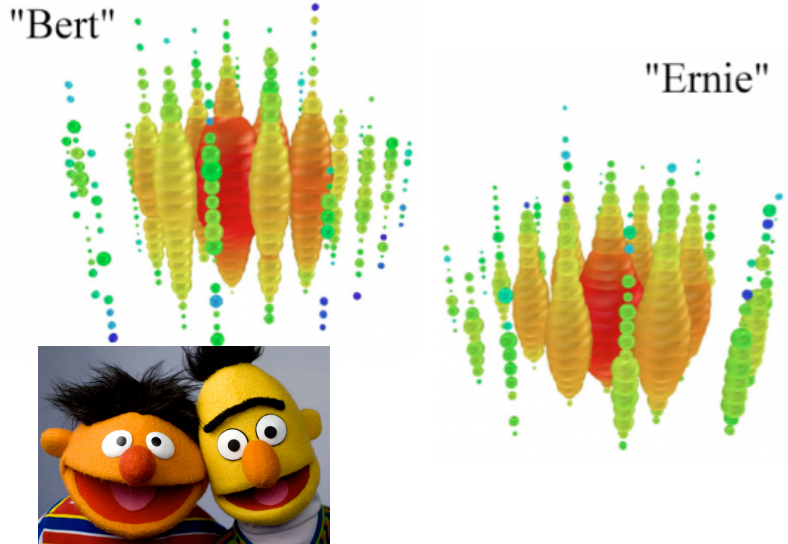
- Poor detection chances of MeV neutrinos from compact binary mergers.
- Neutrino may play an “indirect” major role in element production around the polar region.
- Possible implications for blue kilonova component.

A central blue, textured sphere, possibly representing a neutron star or a black hole, is shown with two bright, white and blue jets of light extending from its poles. The jets have a fibrous, filamentary appearance. The background is a dark space filled with numerous small, distant stars.

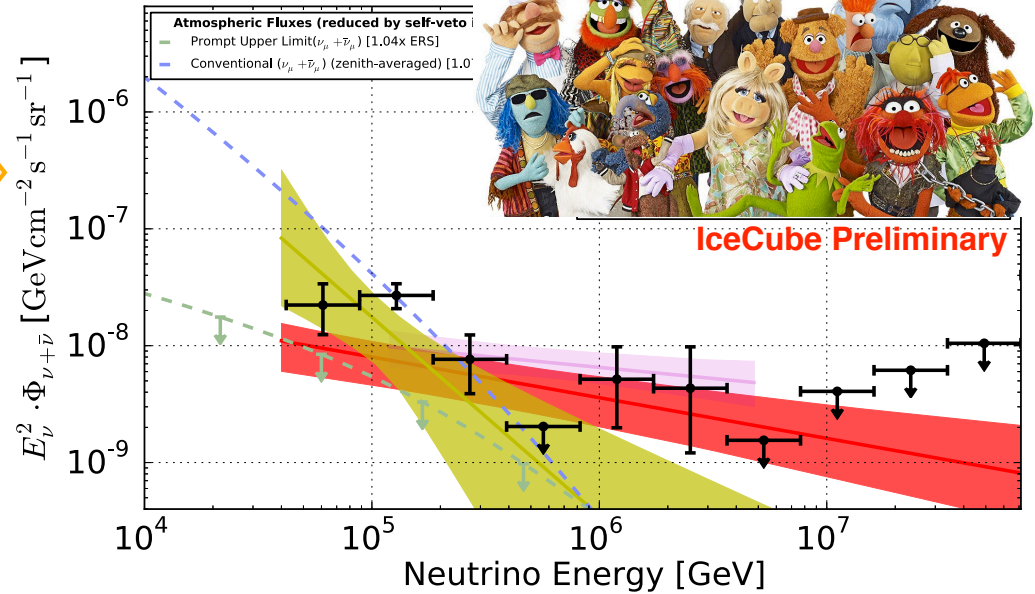
High Energy Neutrinos

Upper Limit on Neutrino Emission

2013



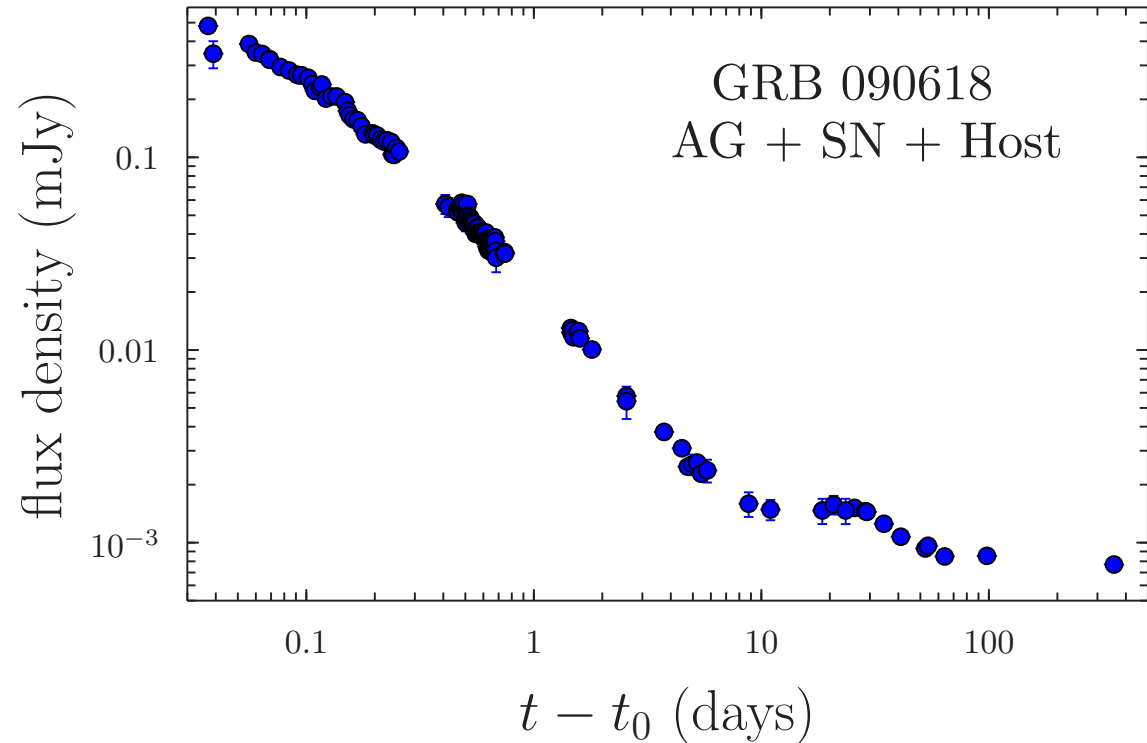
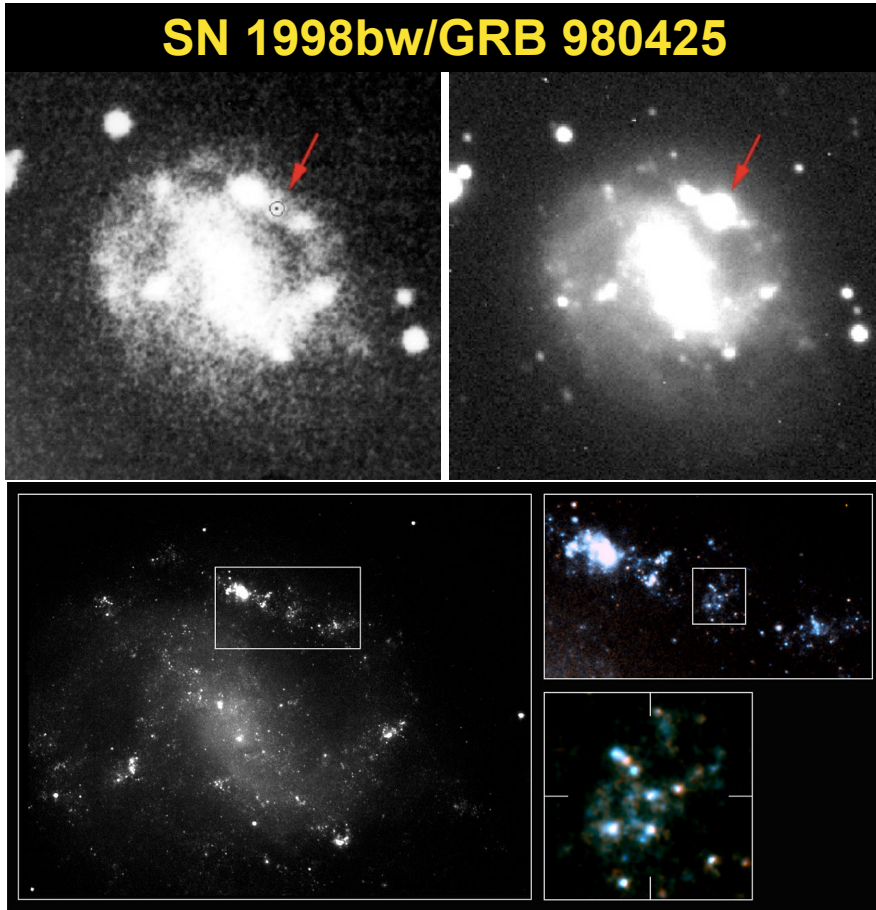
2020



- ★ IceCube observed $O(100)$ events in the TeV-PeV range.
- ★ Zenith Distribution compatible with isotropic flux.
- ★ Flavor distribution consistent with $\nu_e : \nu_\mu : \nu_\tau = 1 : 1 : 1$.

Evidence for astrophysical flux

Supernova-GRB Connection

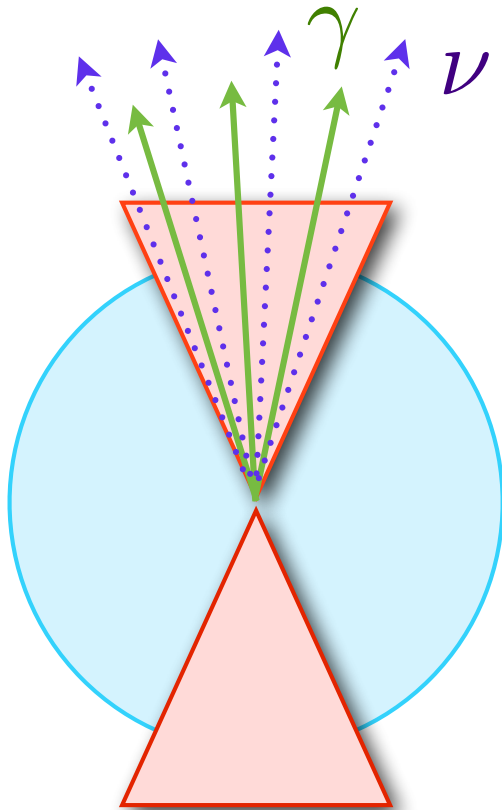


Limitations:

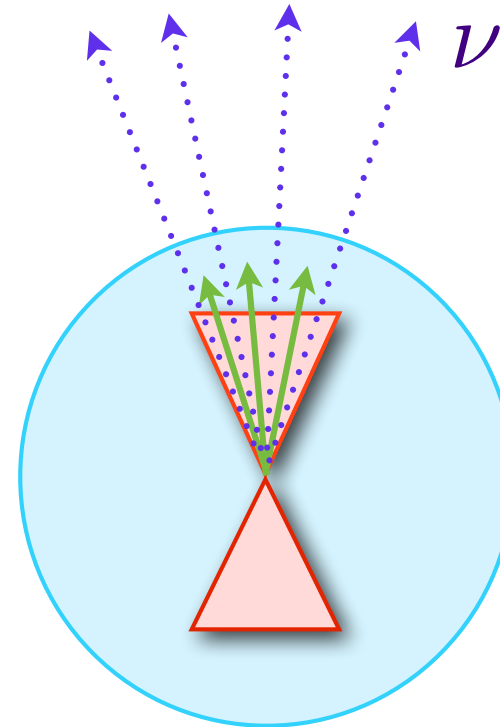
- Follow-up of SN-GRB biased towards low- z events.
- Several SN-GRB are low-luminosity GRBs that may not represent the GRB population.
- Systematic surveys begin to allow statistical studies (e.g. GTC GRB-SN program).

Supernova-GRB Connection

Successful GRB
(photons & neutrinos)



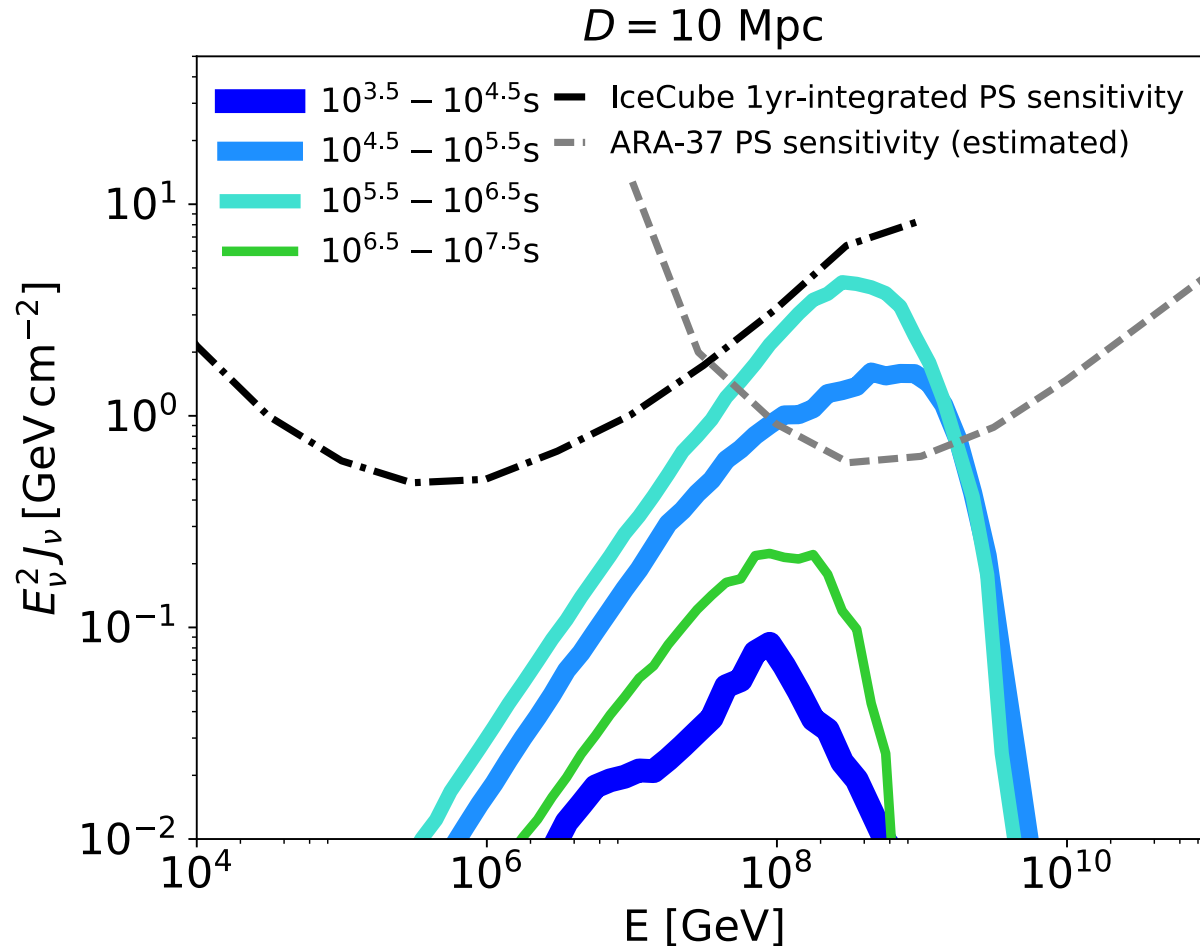
Choked GRB
(**neutrinos only**)



IceCube data can already constrain:

- Fraction of supernovae harboring jets
- Fraction of choked jets (compatible with electromagnetic observations).

Neutrinos from GRB 170817A



- Copious neutrino production from long-lived ms magnetar following the merger.
- Favorable detection opportunities with multi-messenger triggers.

Conclusions

Neutrinos:

- Fundamental in most energetic phenomena in our Universe.
- Ideal messengers.
- Carry imprints of the source inner working.
- Determine element formation in astrophysical sources.

Grazie!