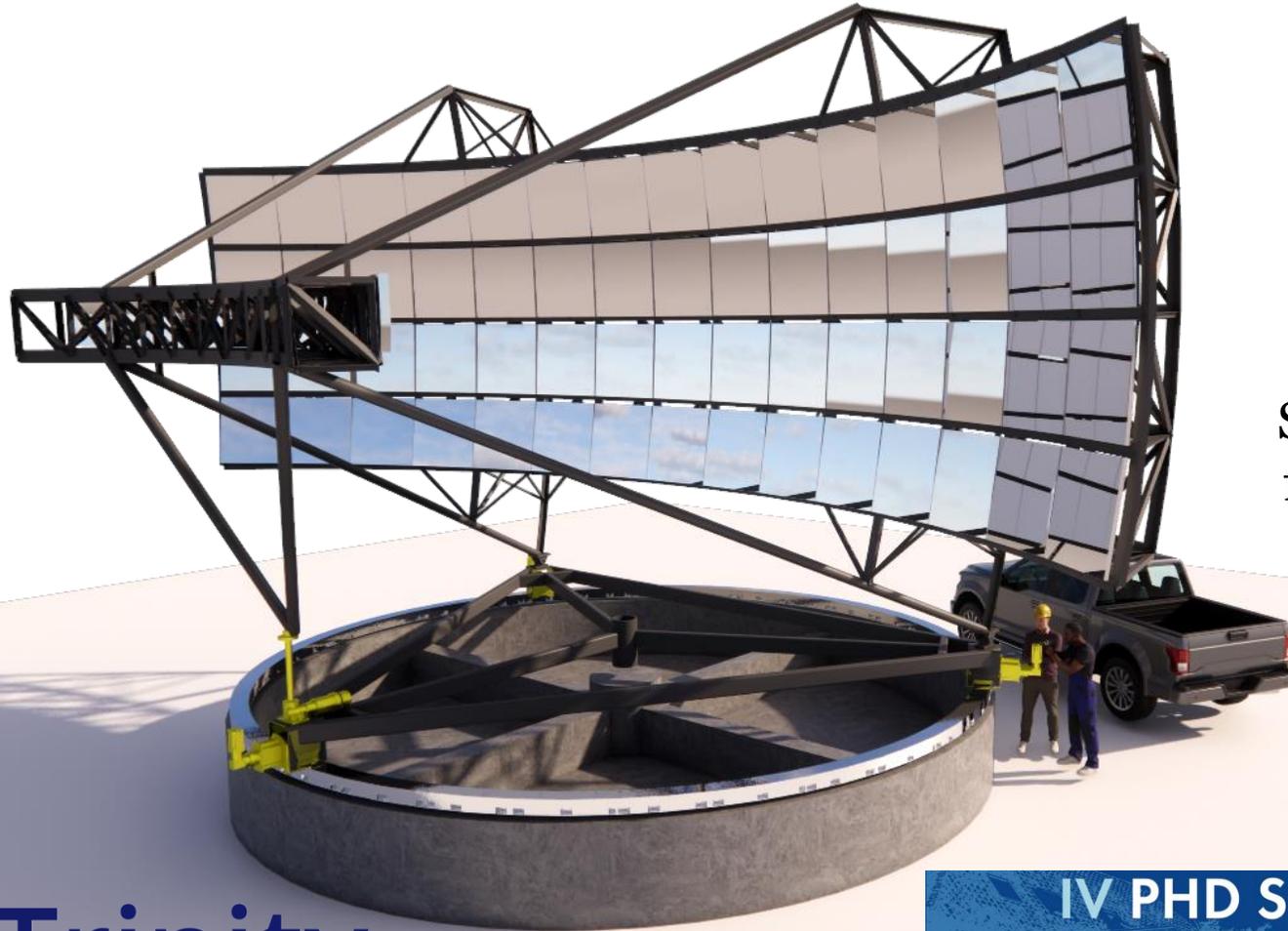




Neutrino Detection Forecasts: Estimates for the Trinity Observatory



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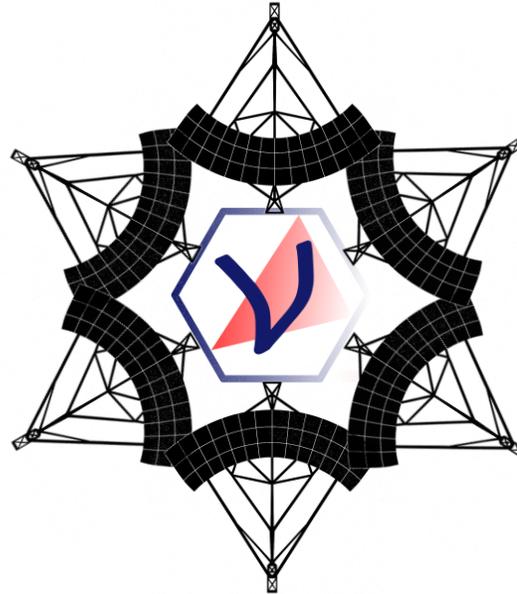
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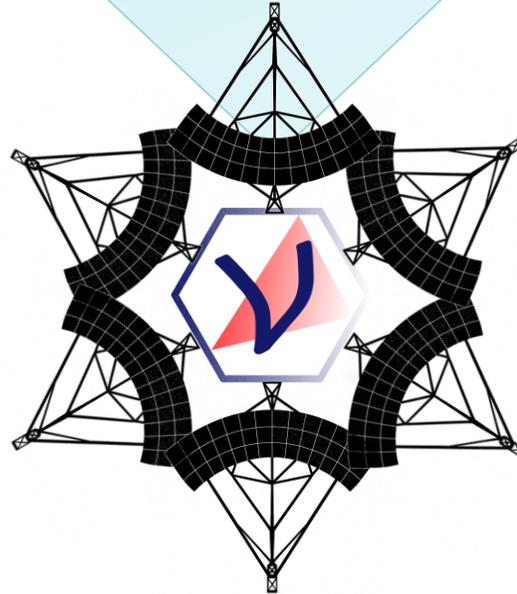
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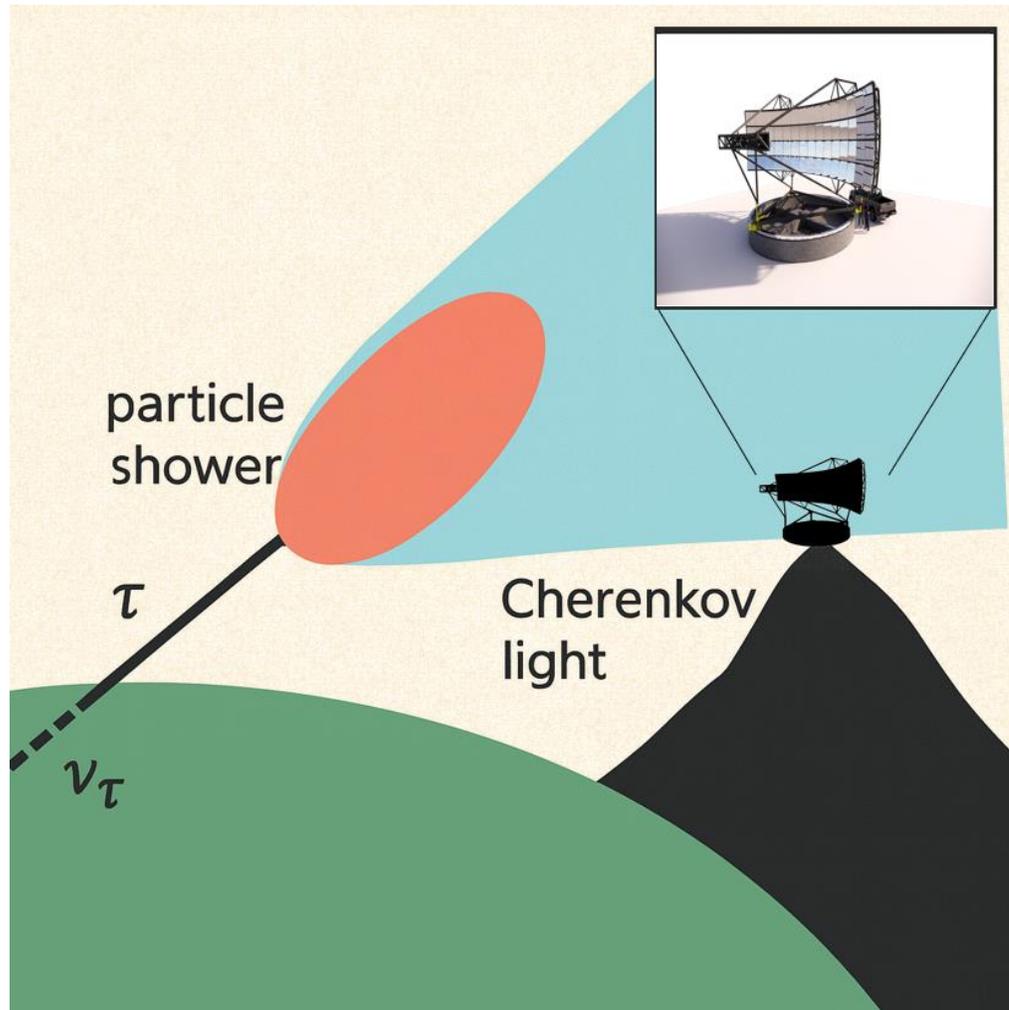


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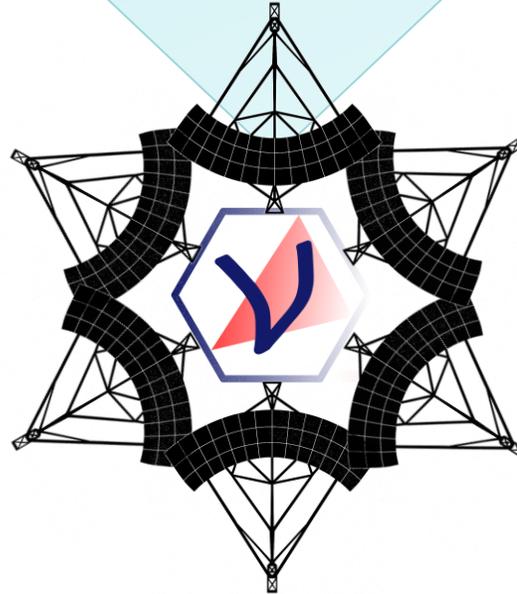


- Earth-skimming neutrino detection technique with an air shower imaging telescope.
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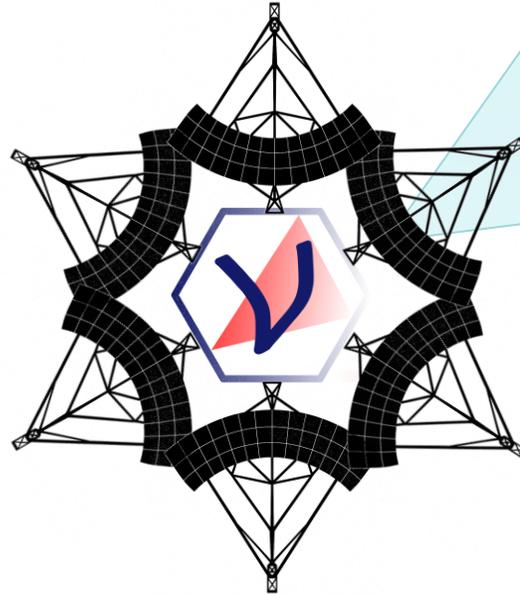
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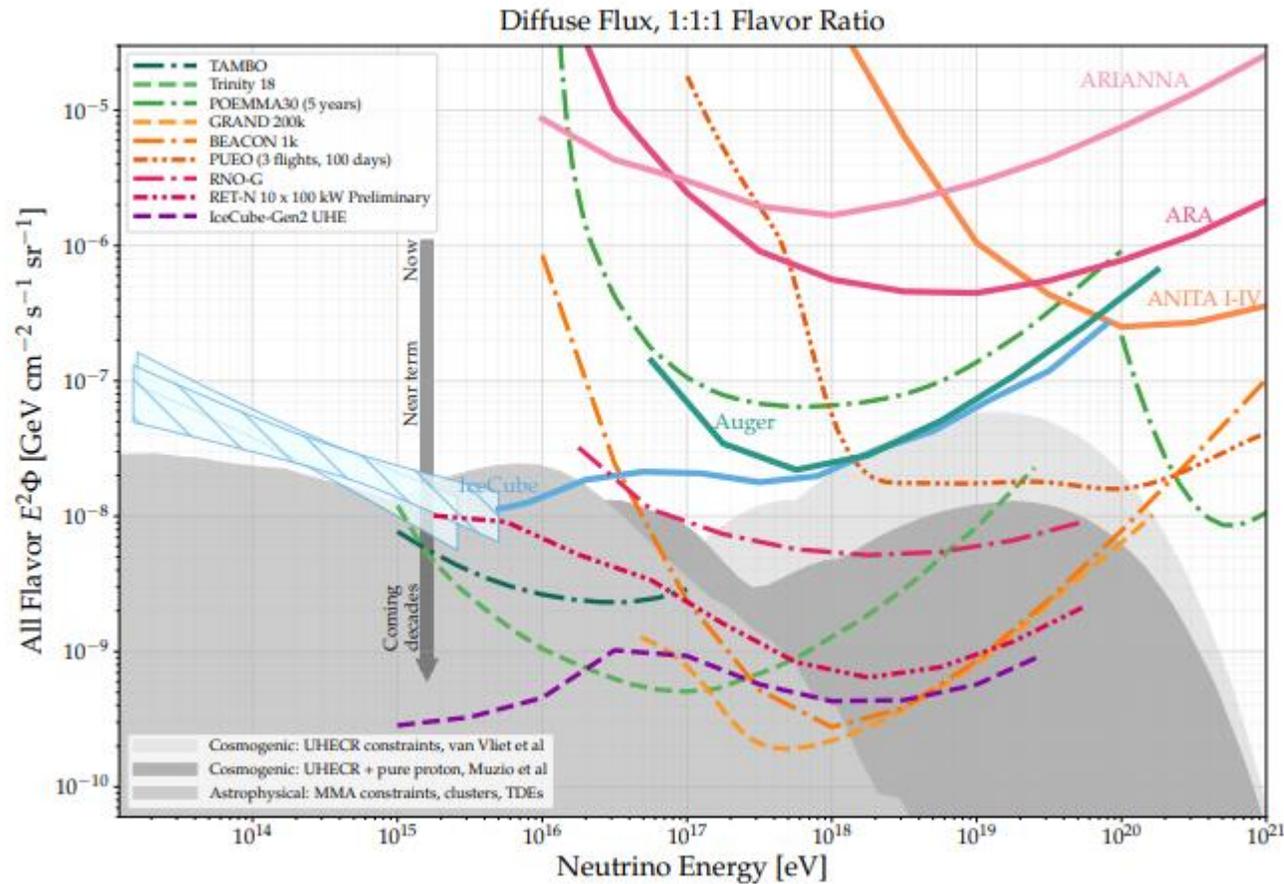


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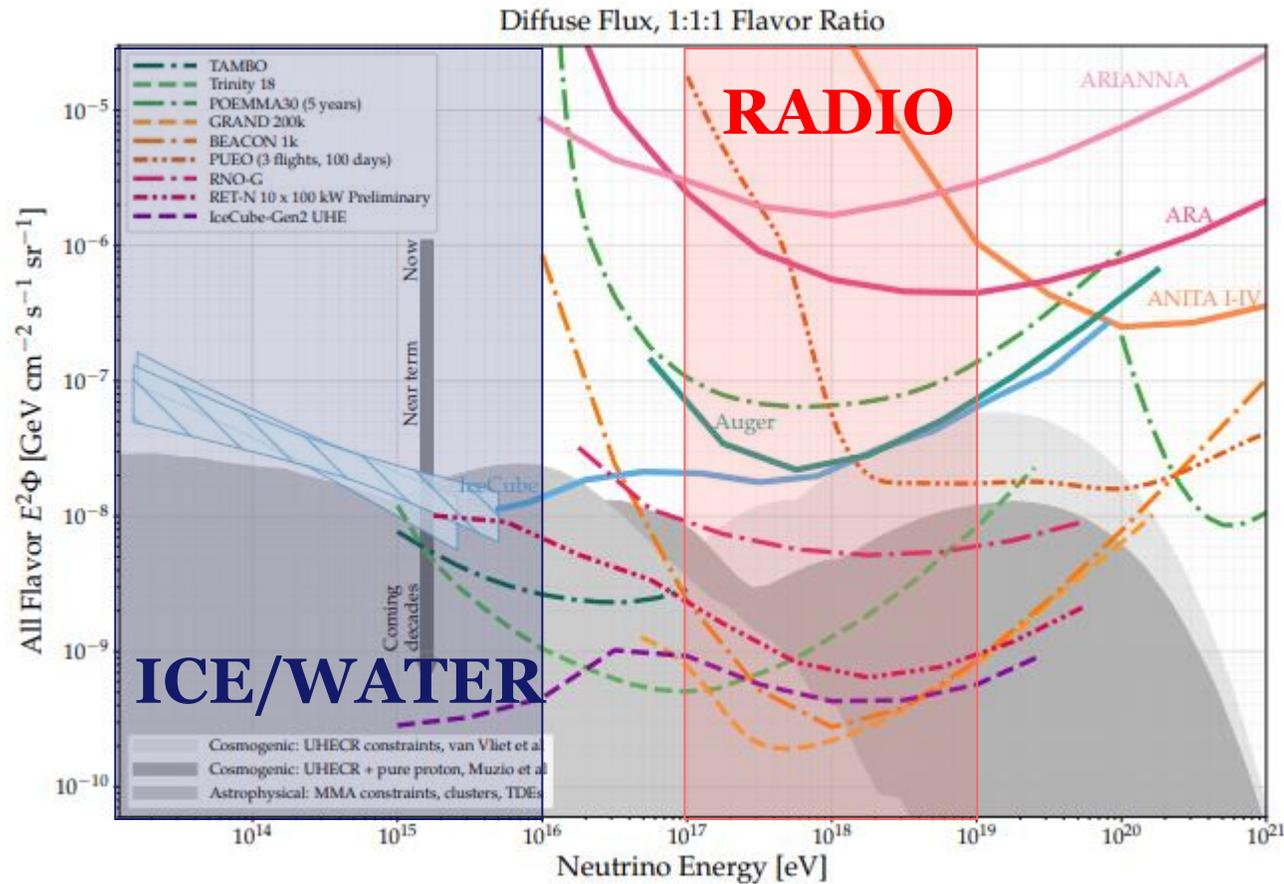
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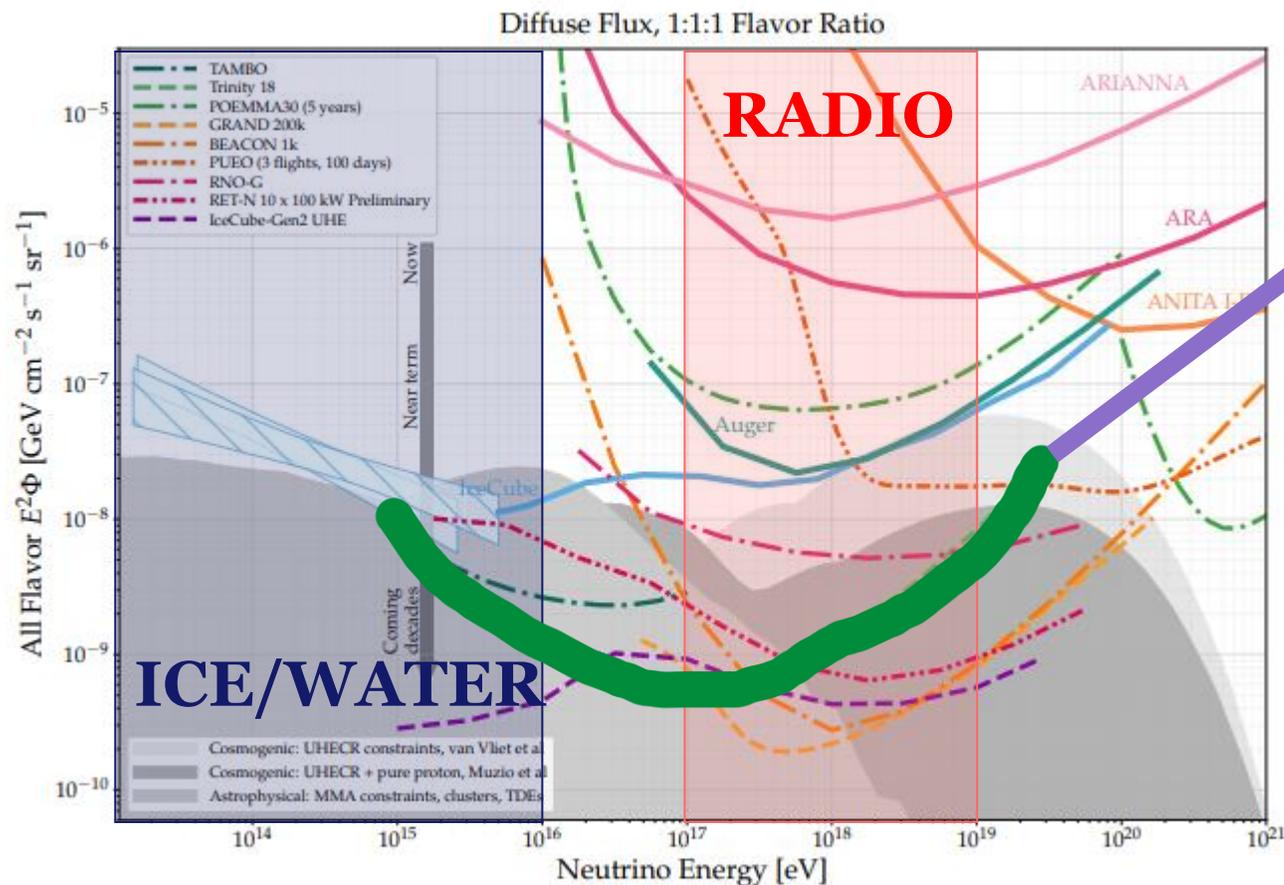
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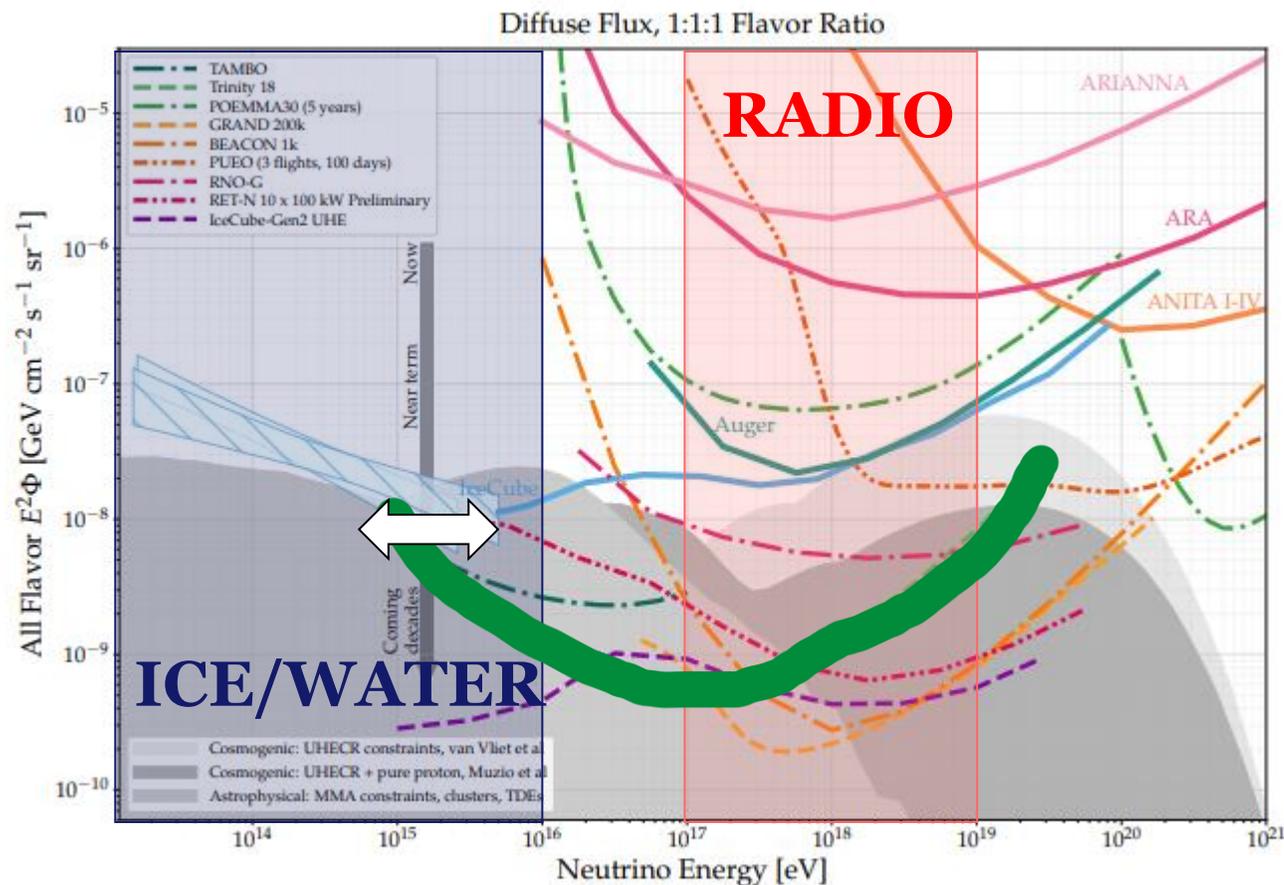
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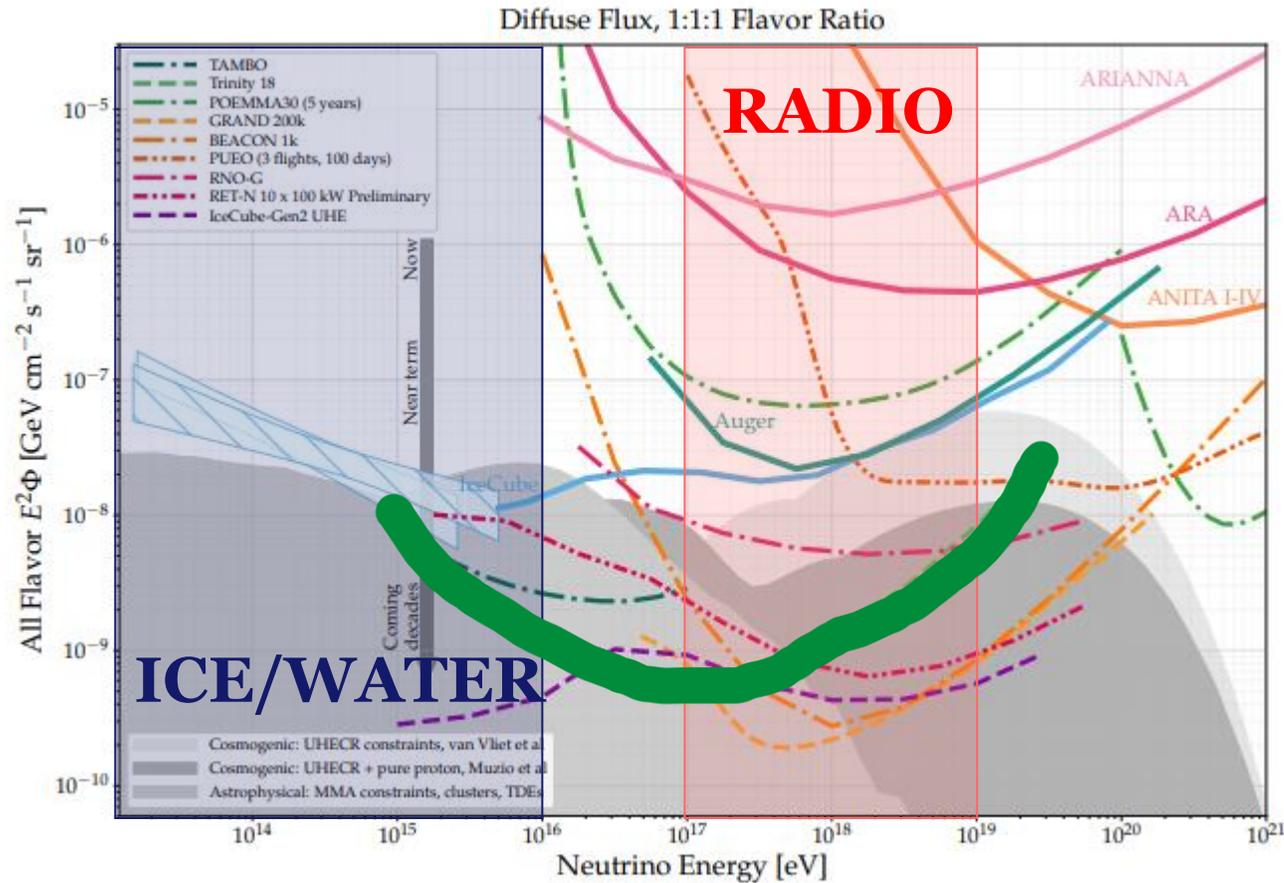
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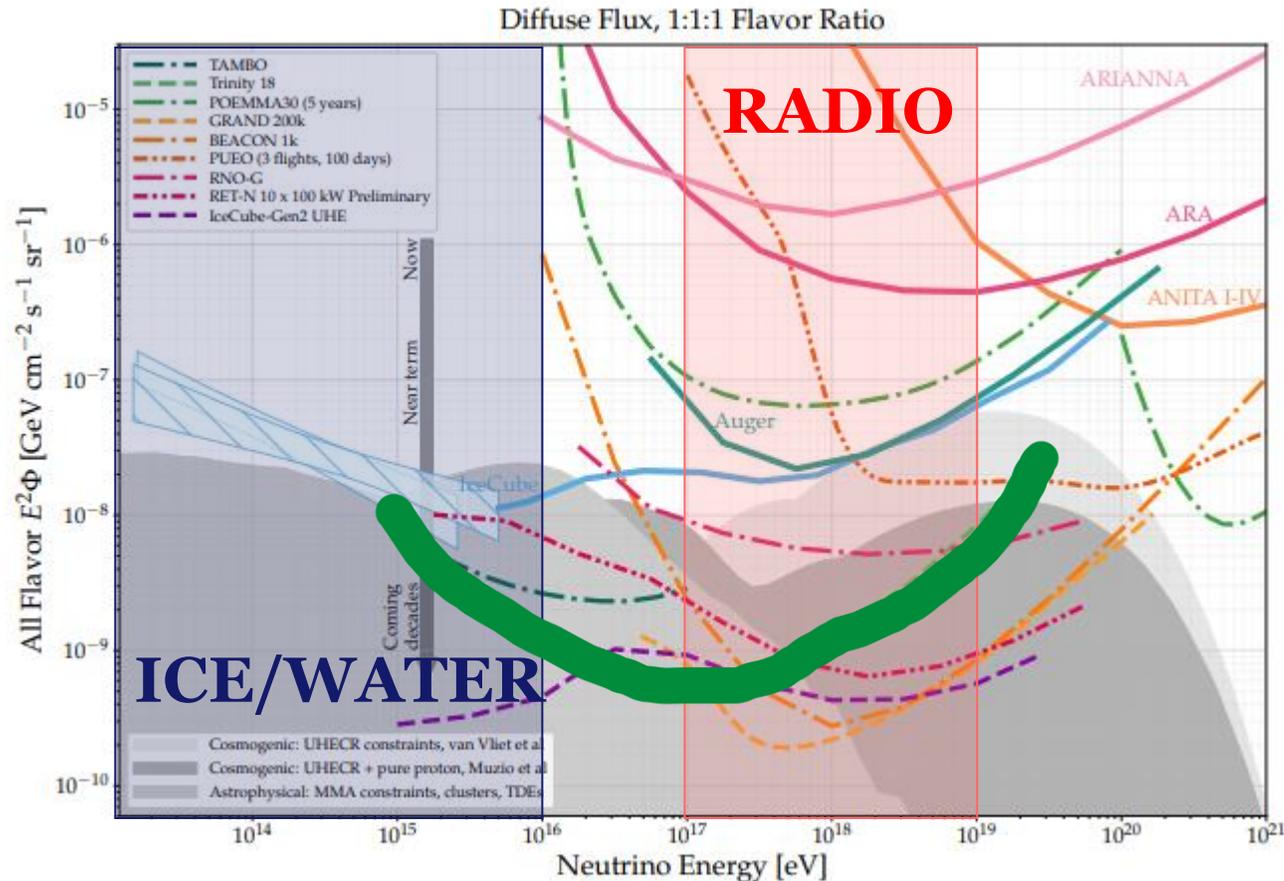
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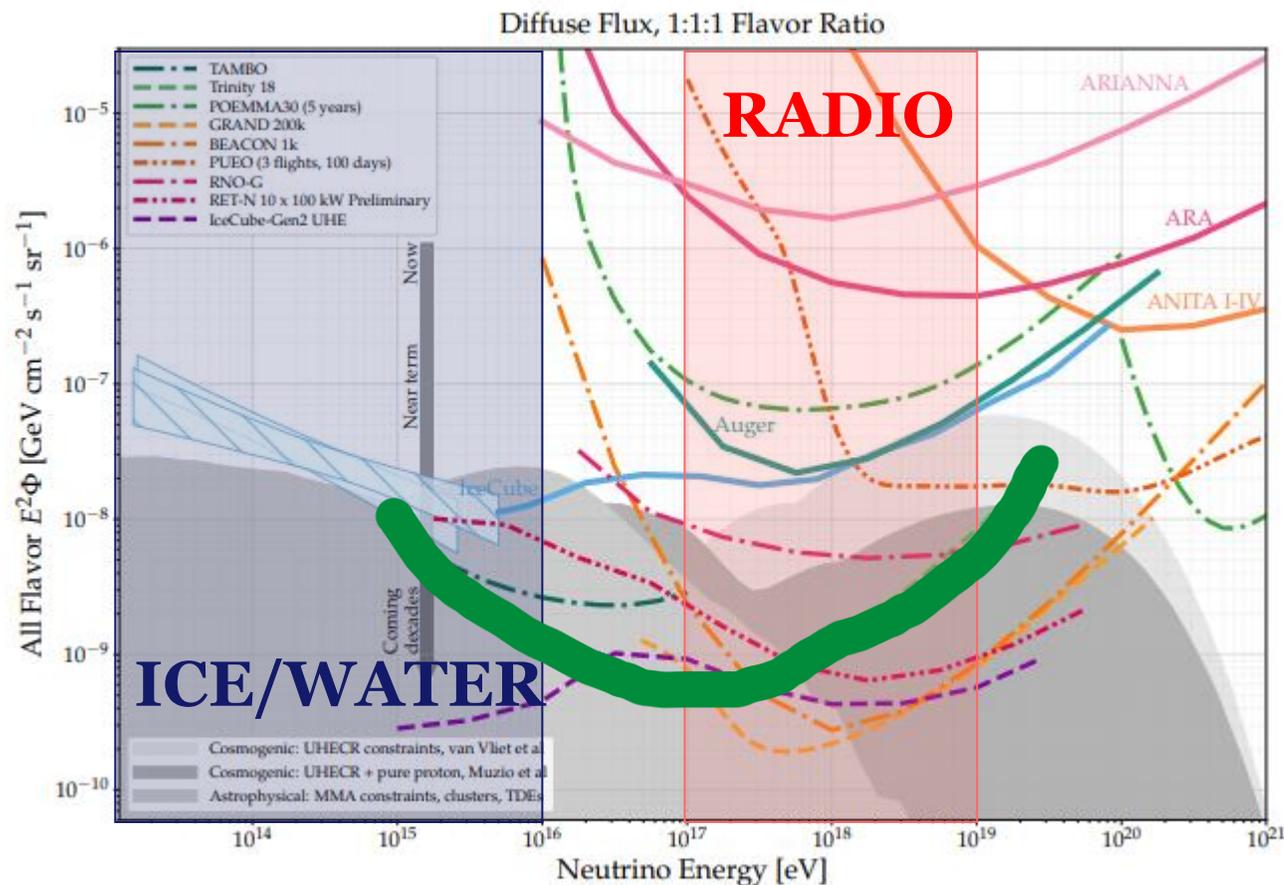
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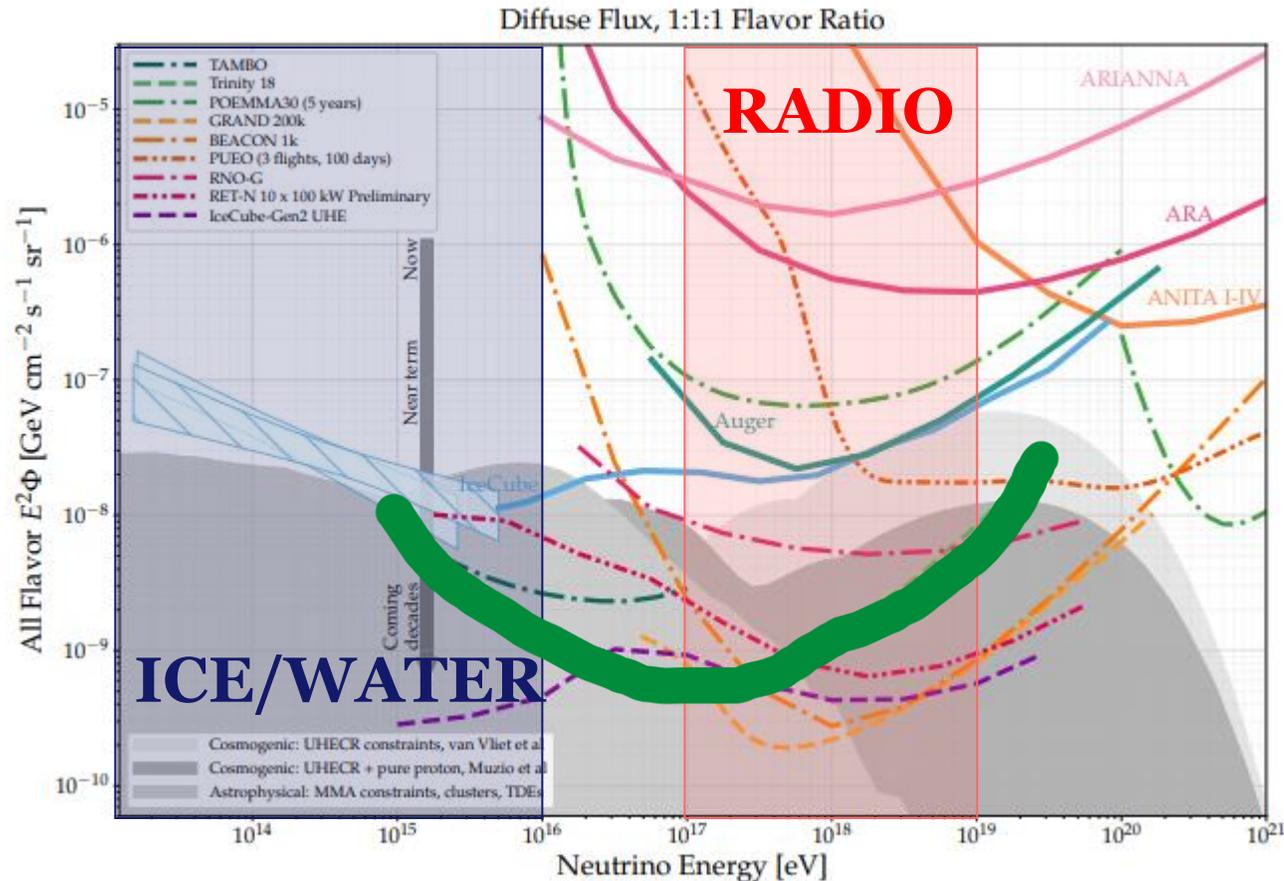
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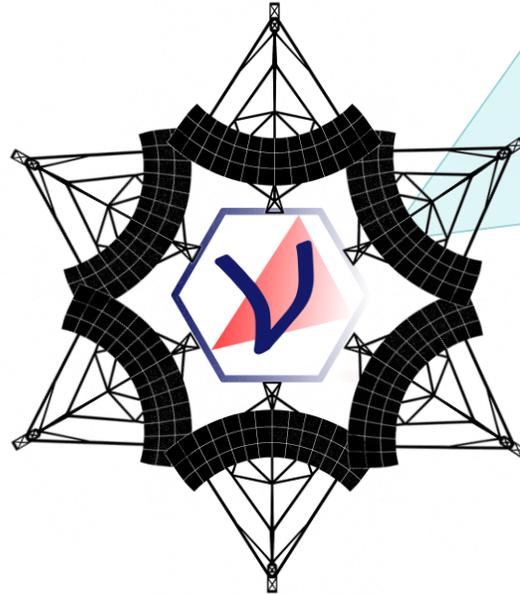
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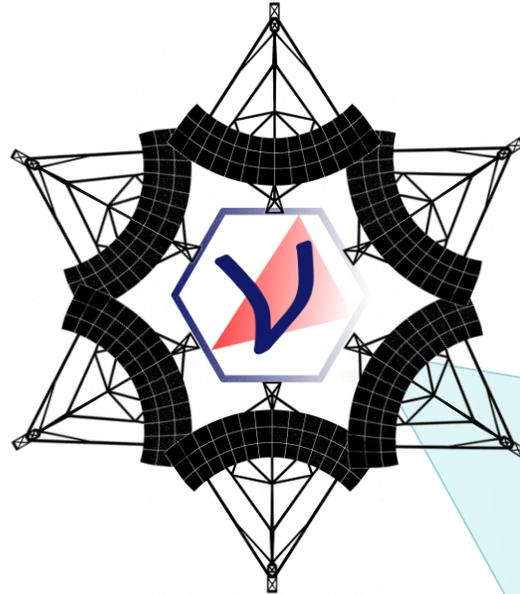
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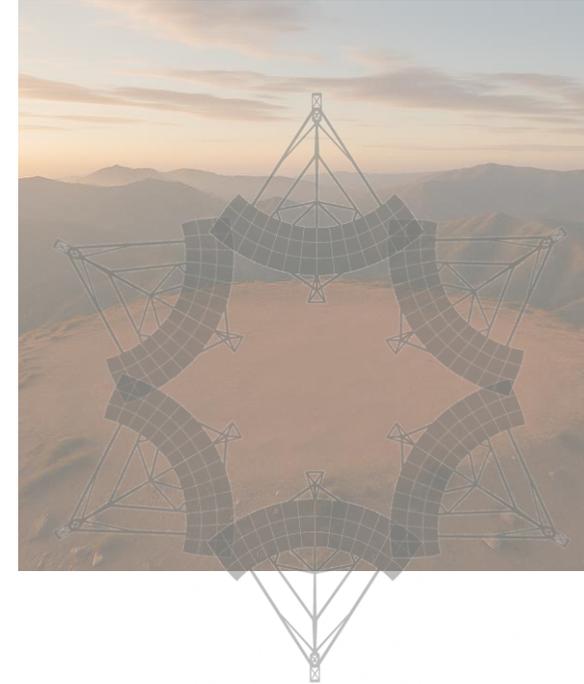
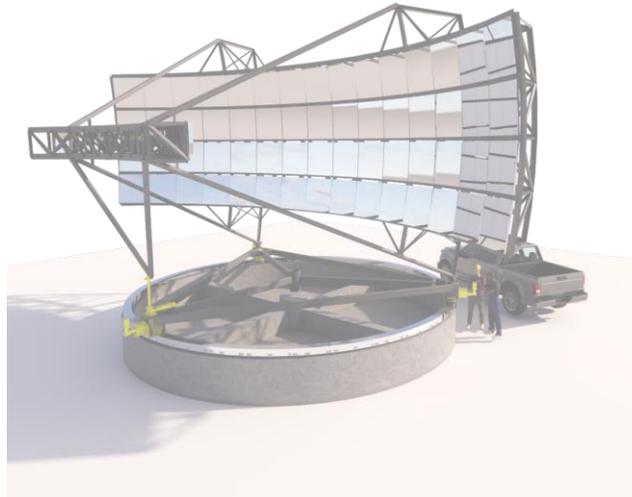


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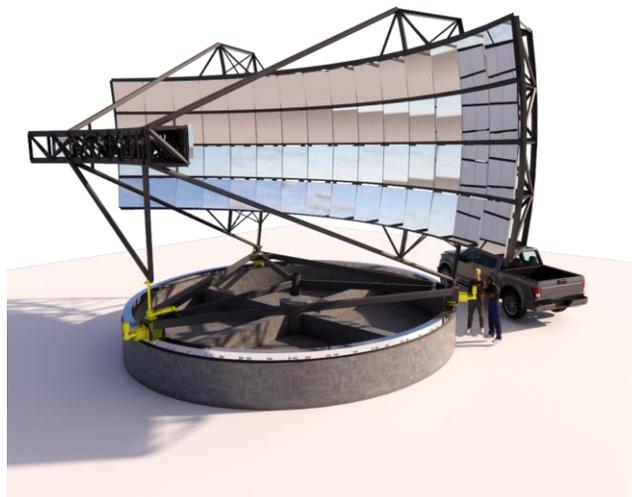


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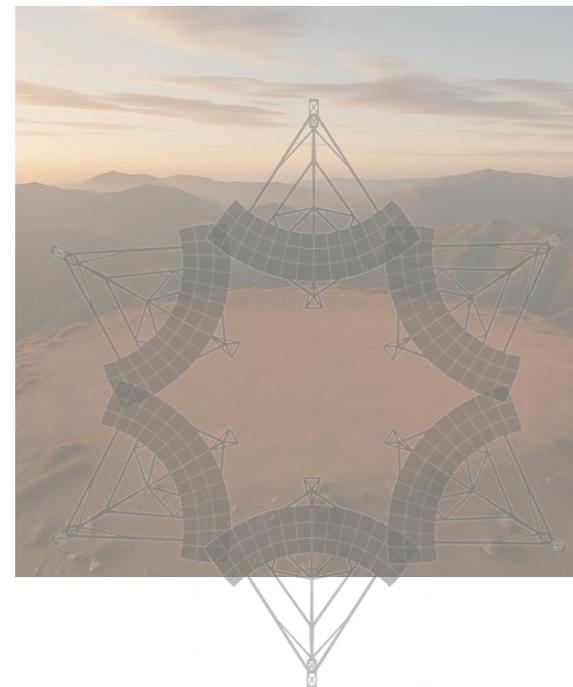
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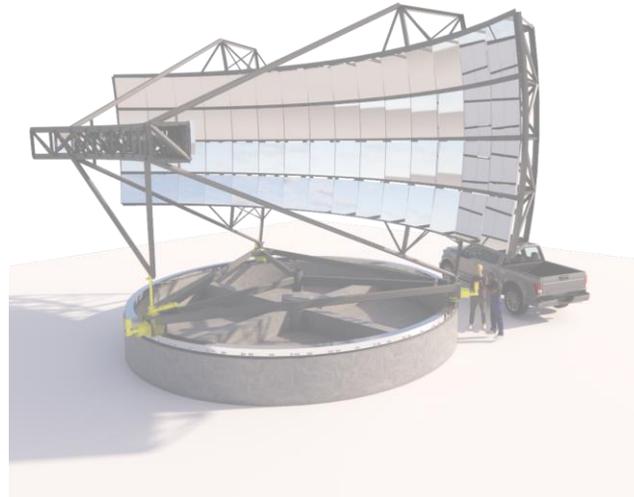


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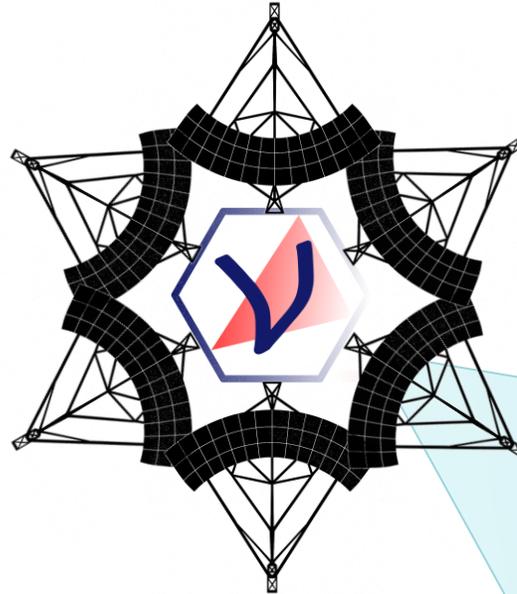
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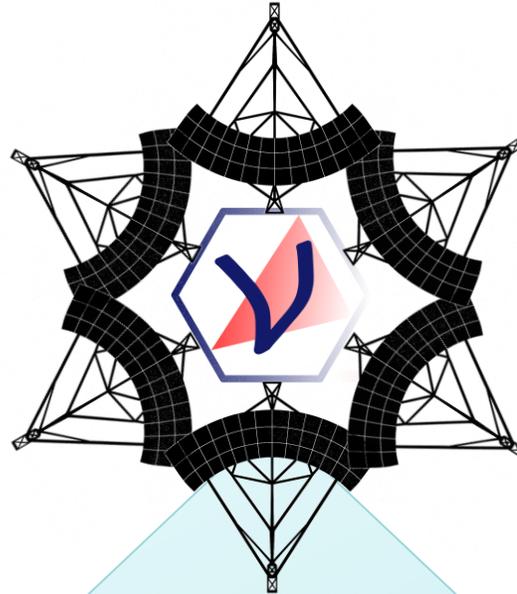
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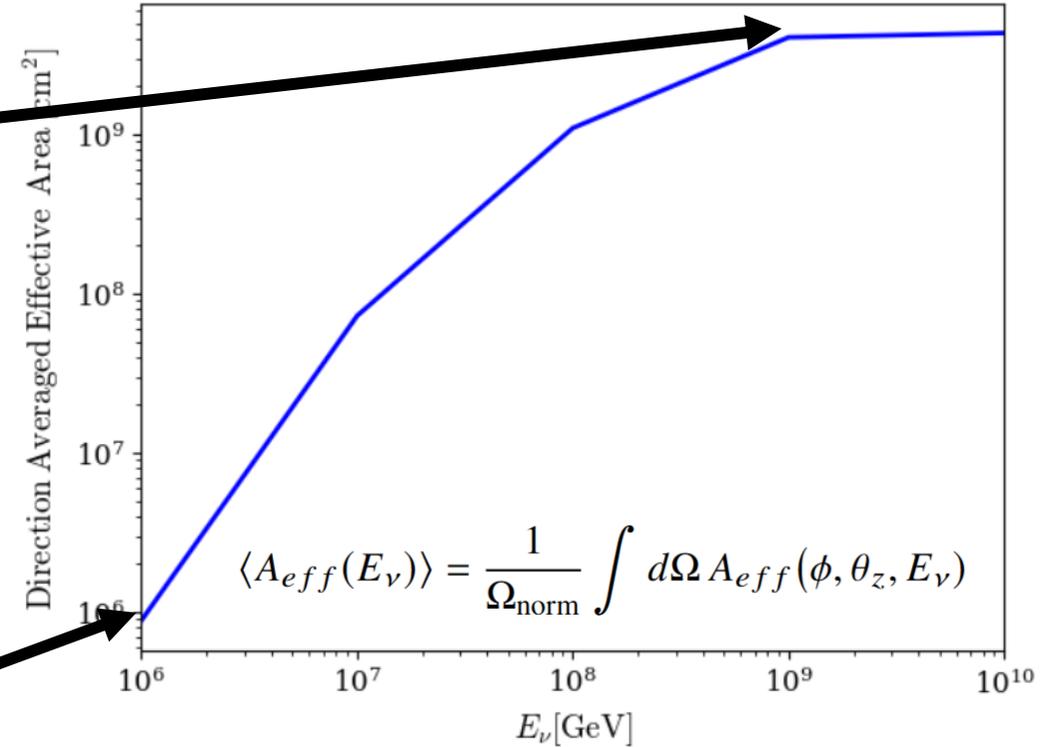
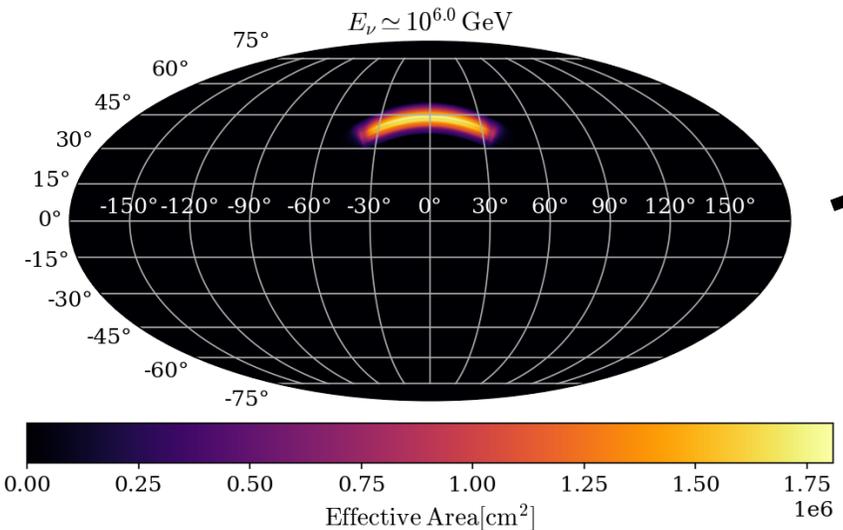
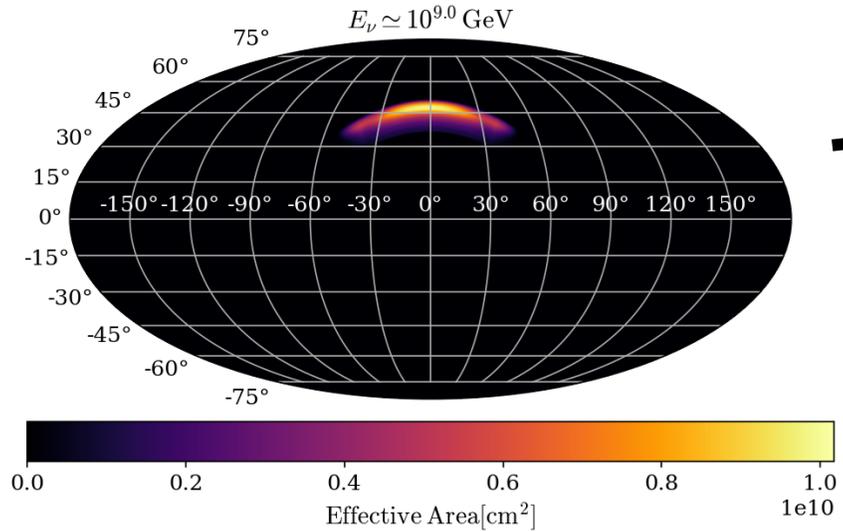


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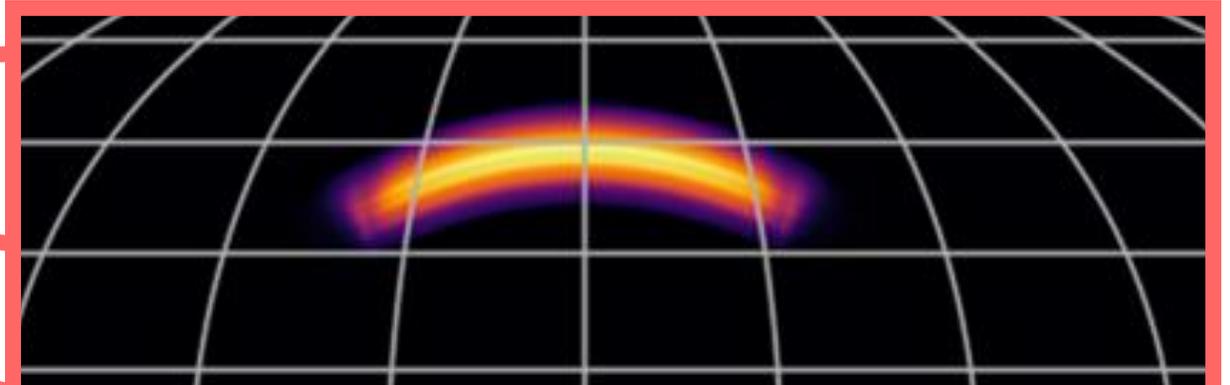
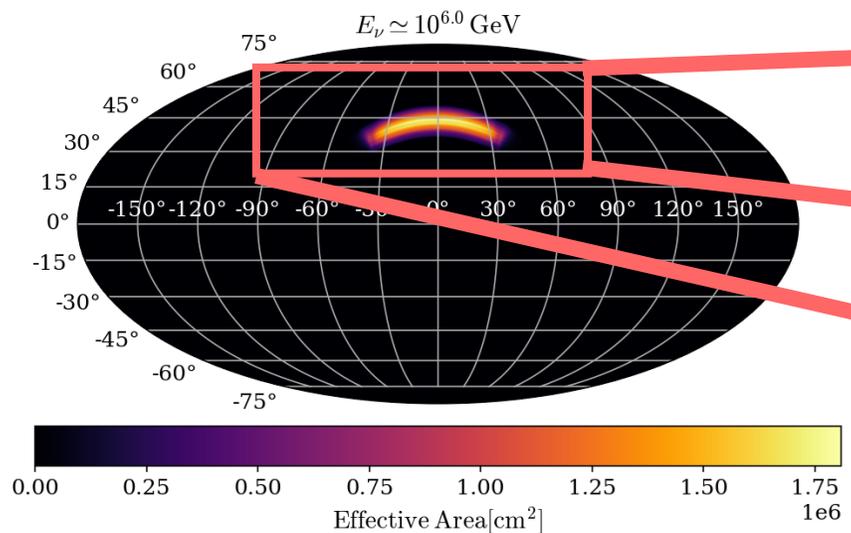
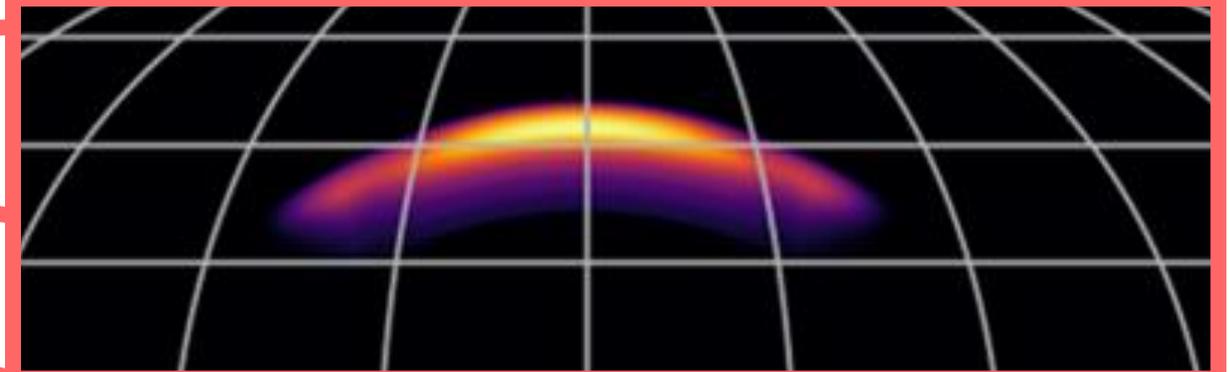
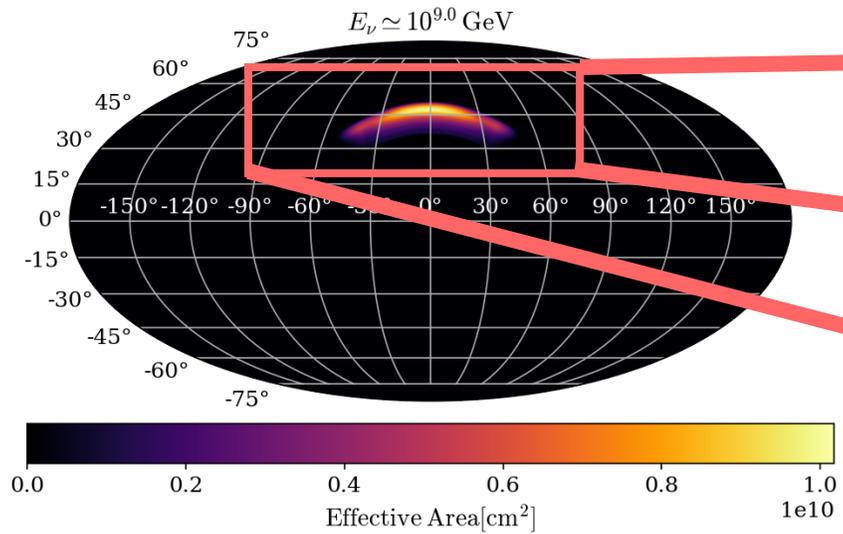
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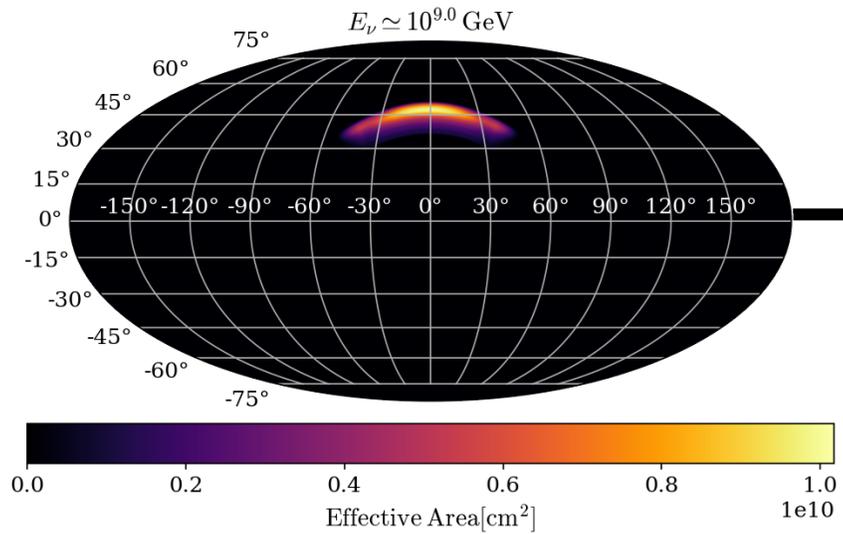


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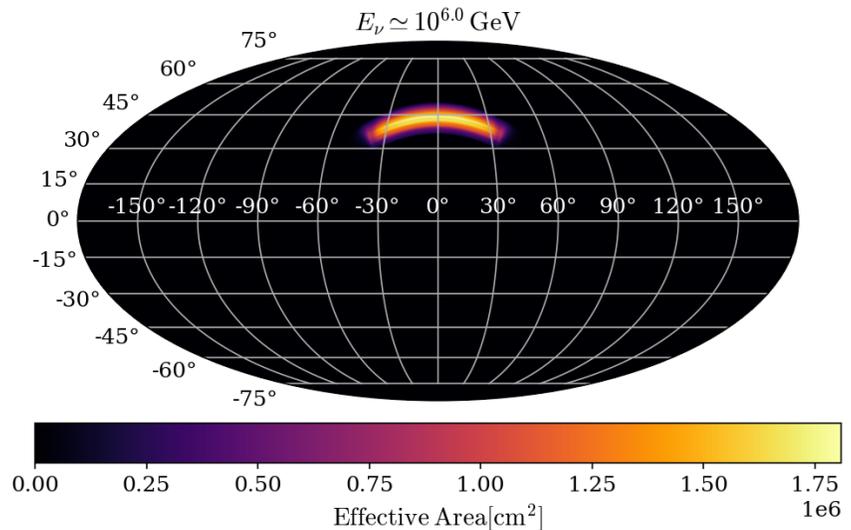
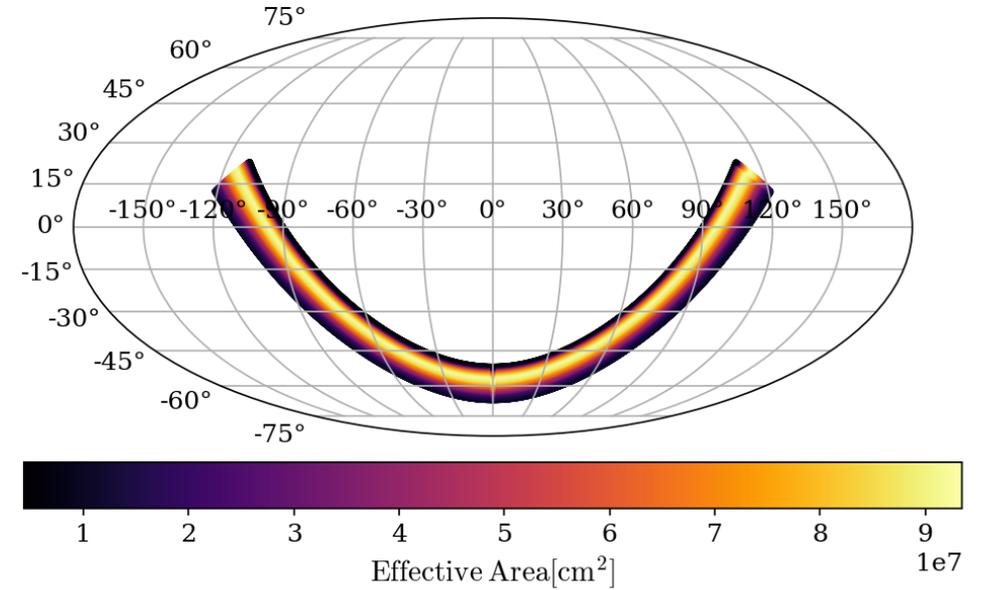
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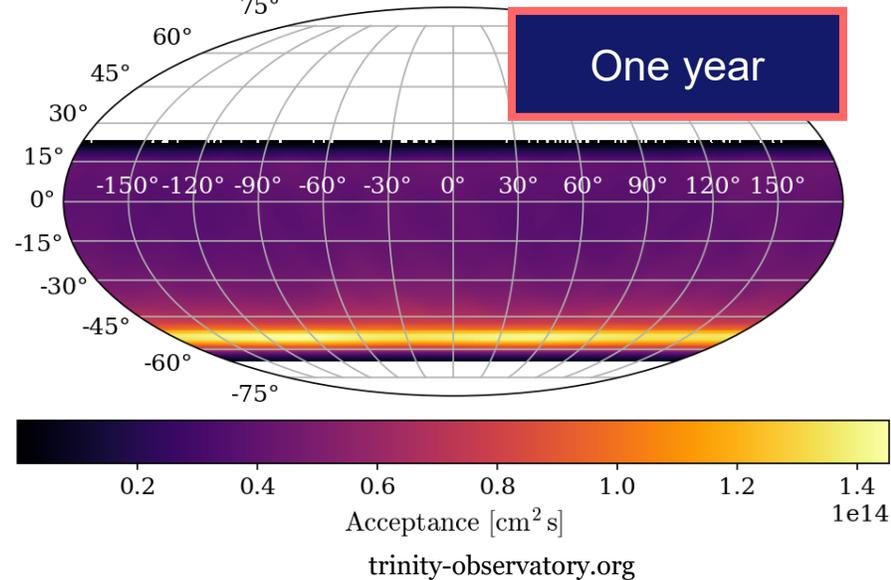
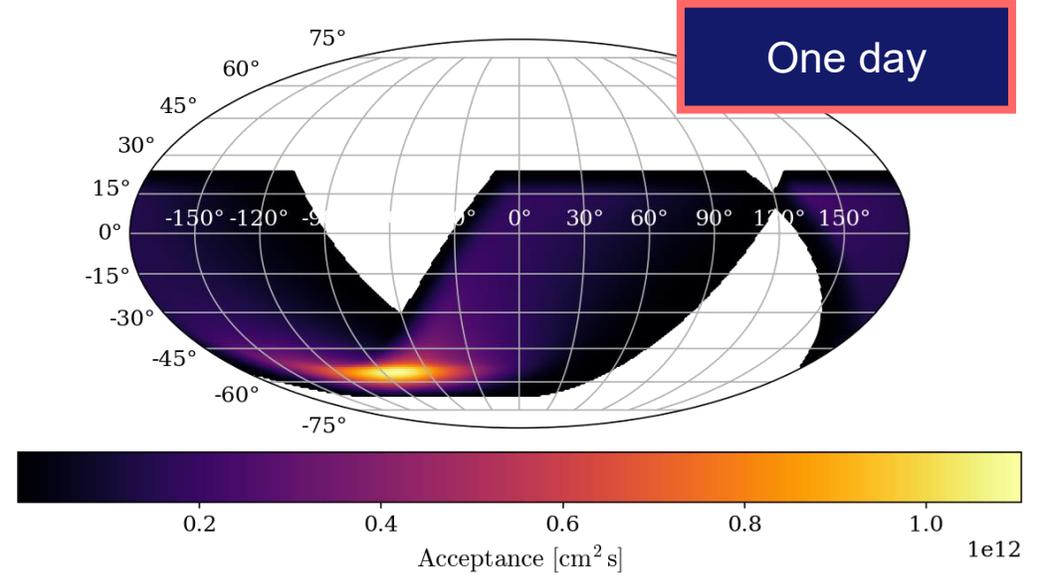
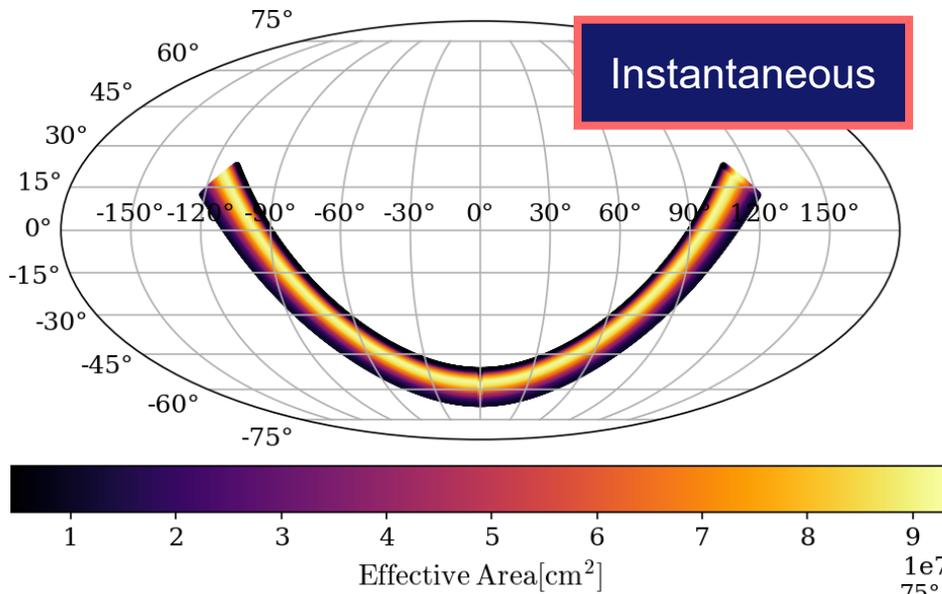


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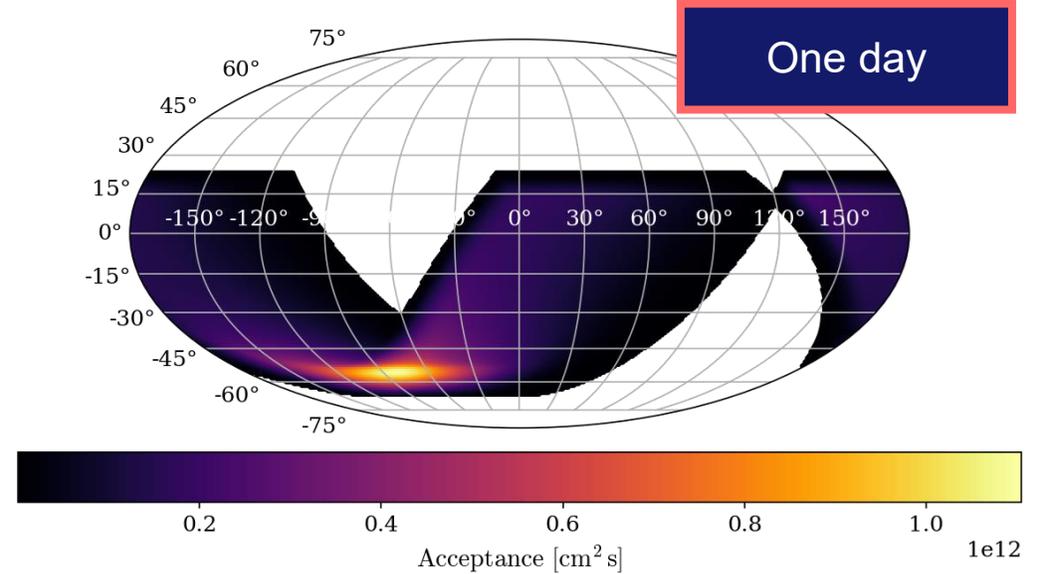
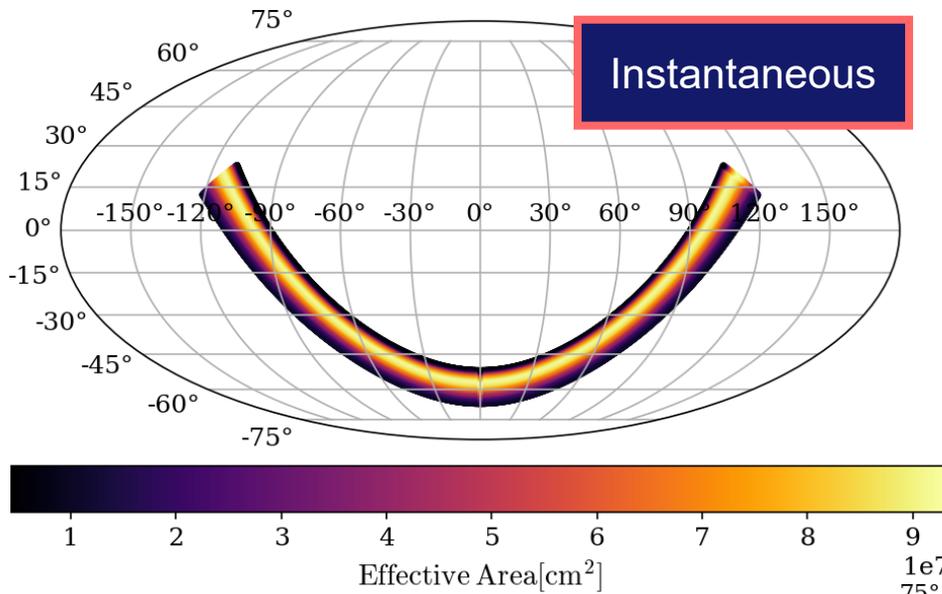
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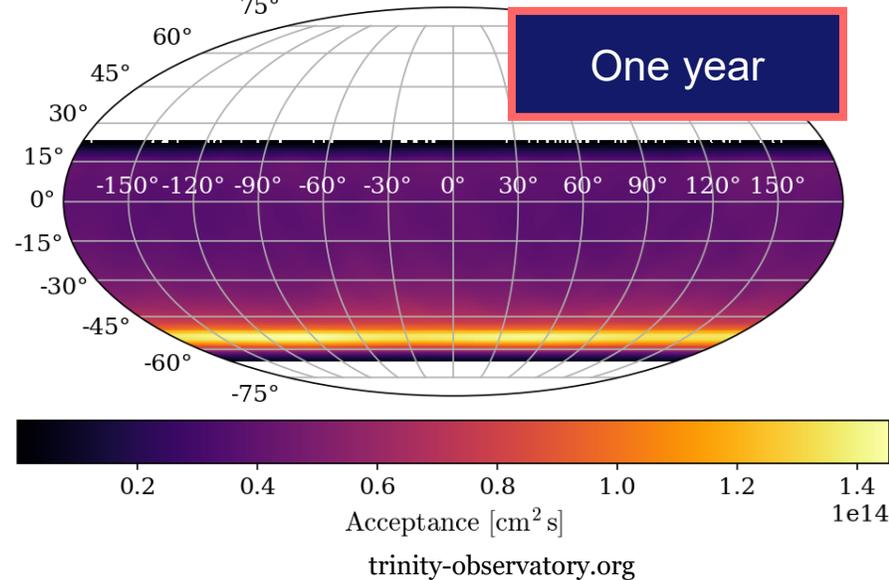


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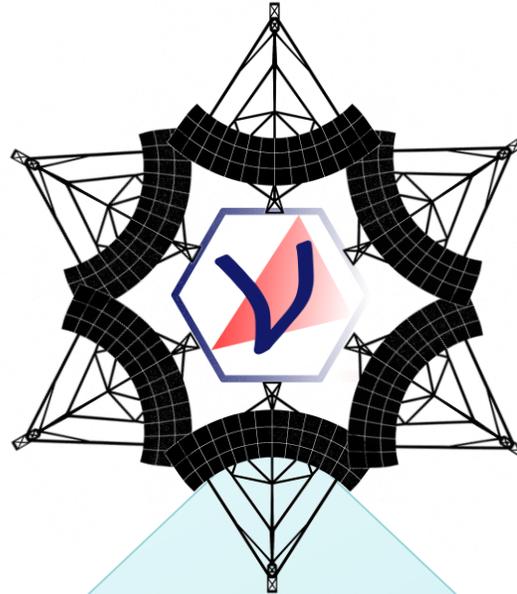


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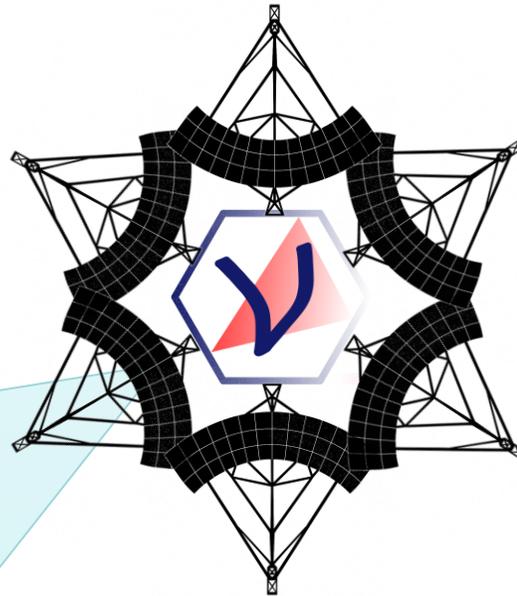
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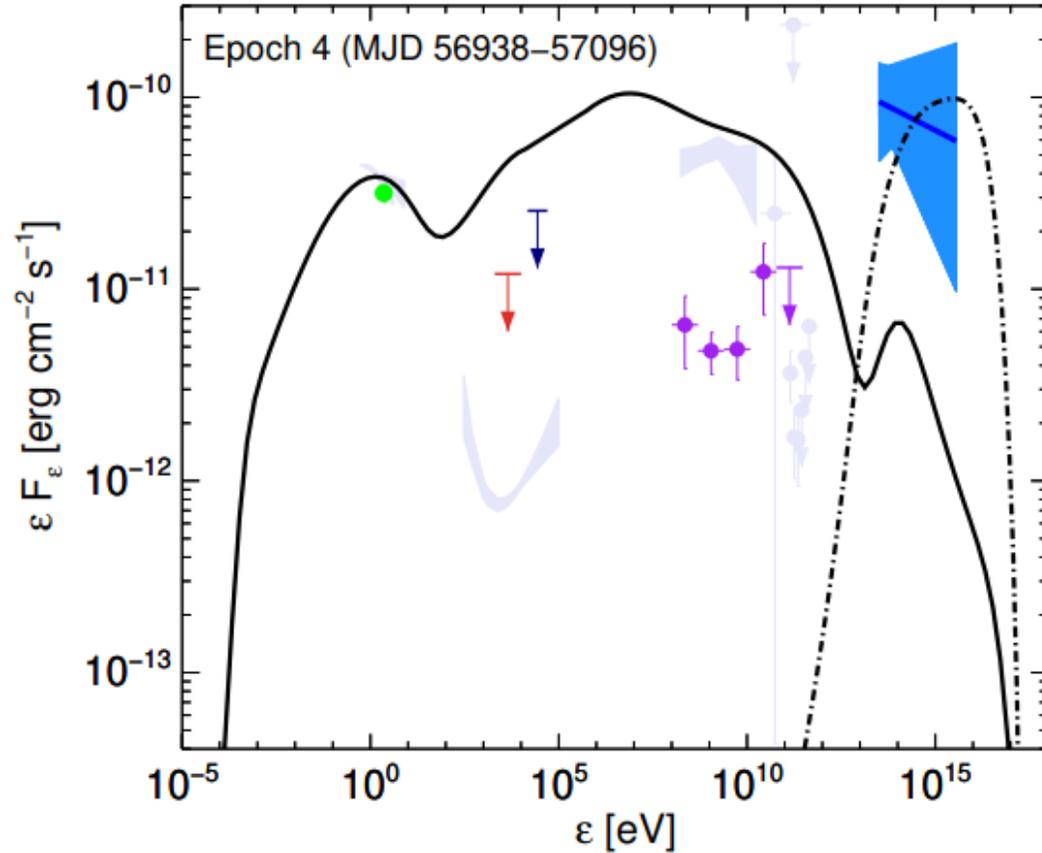


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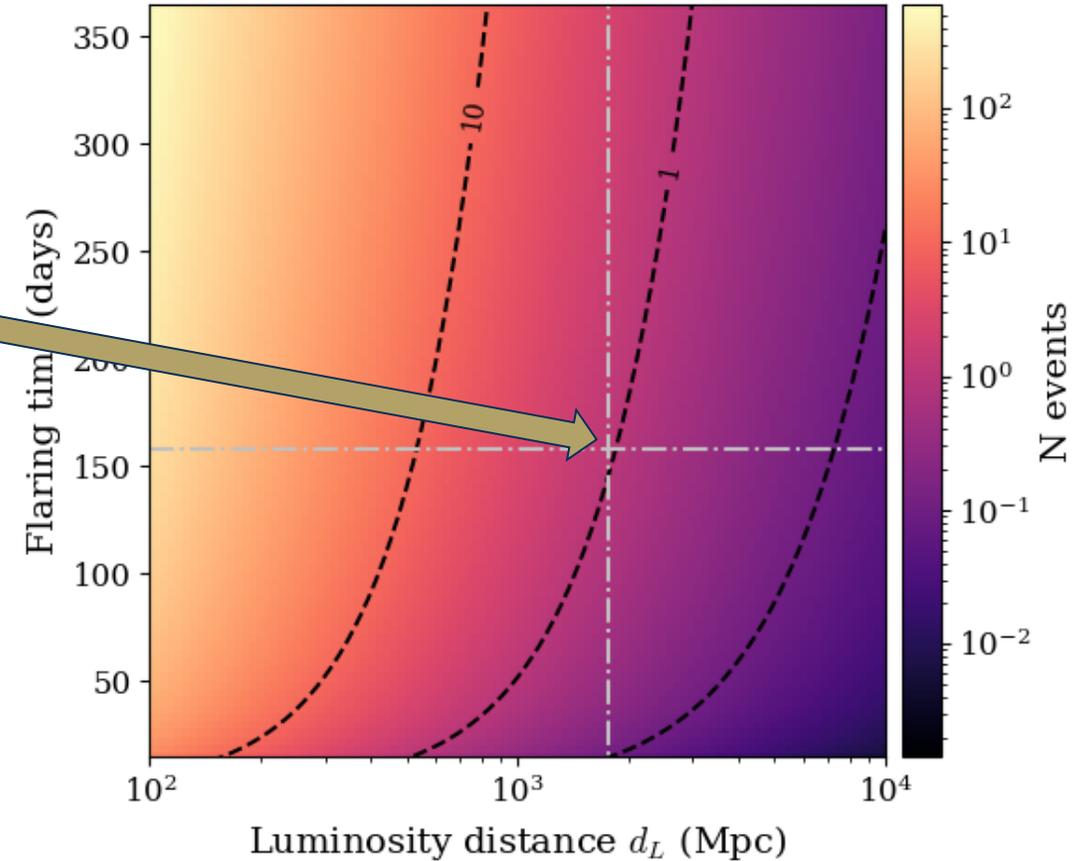
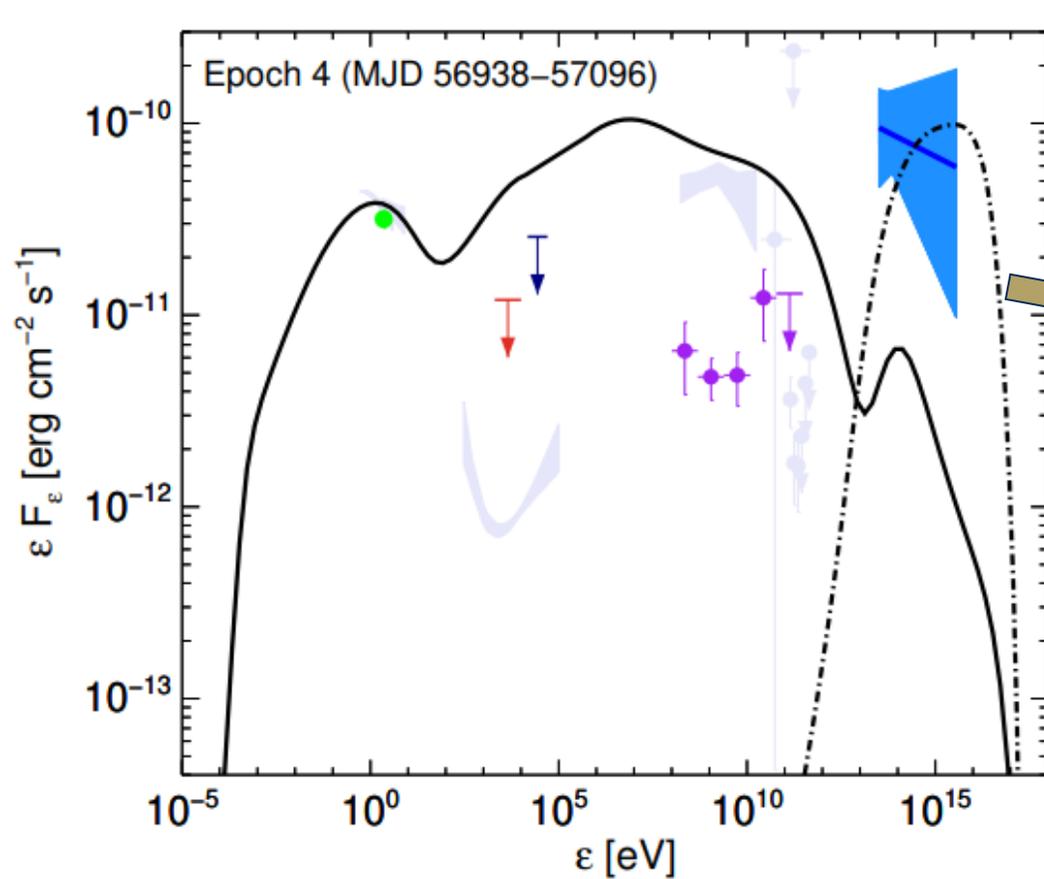
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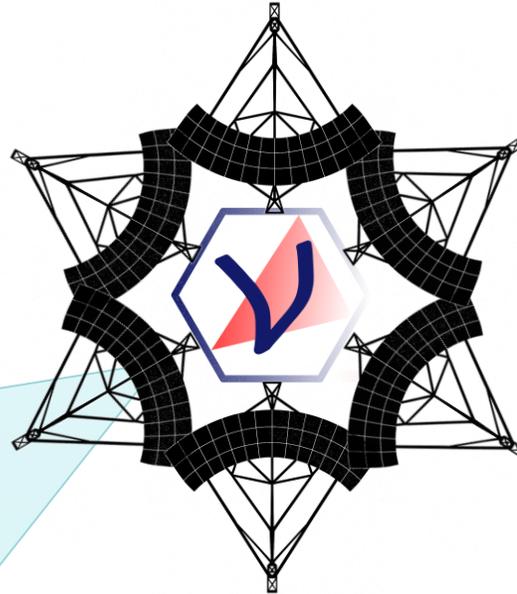
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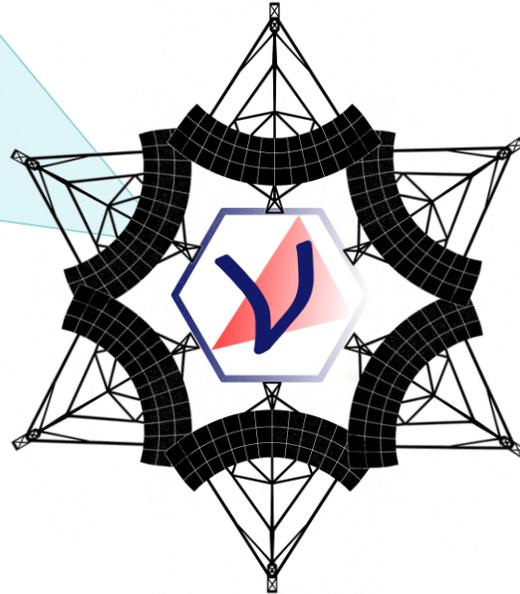
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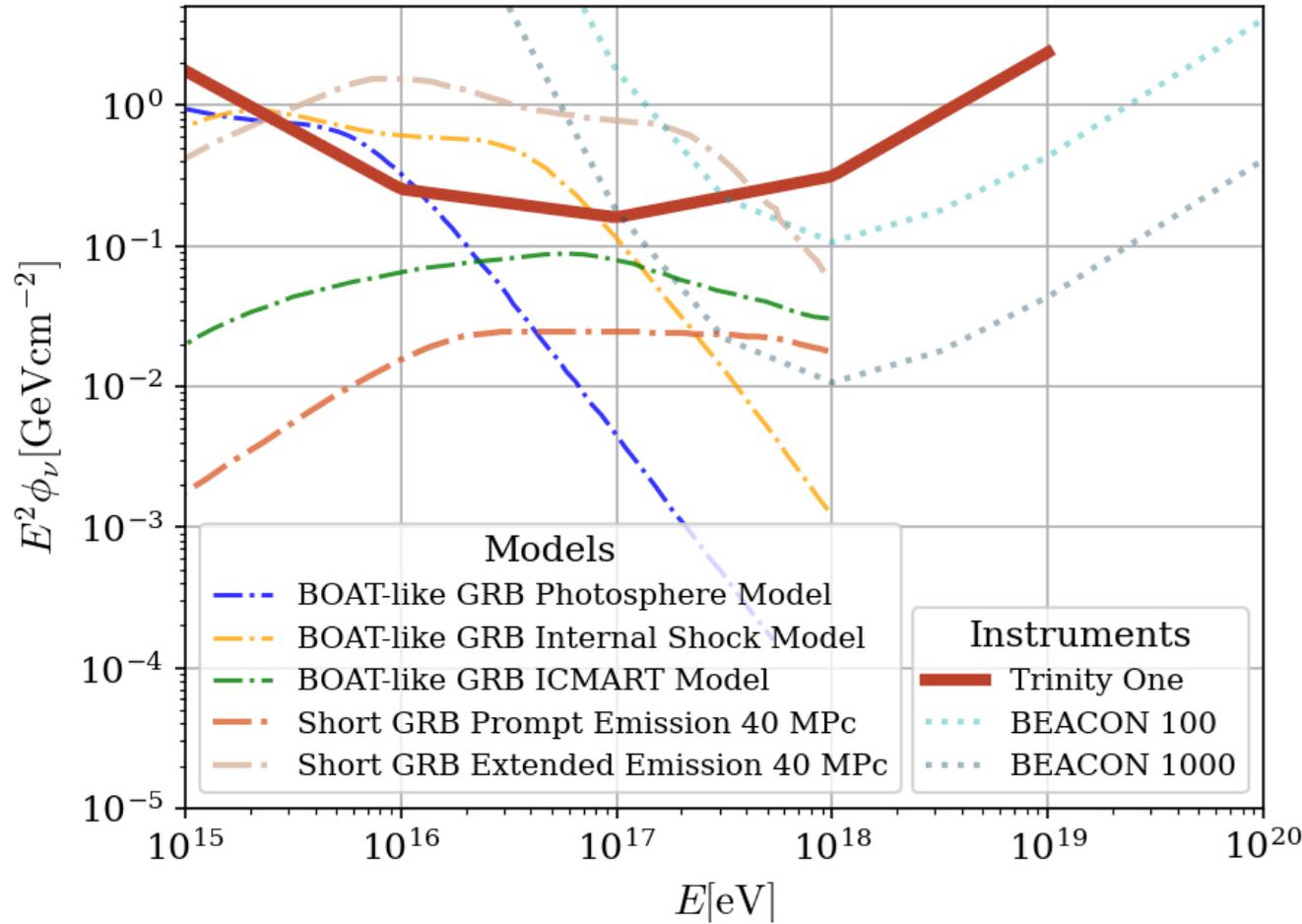


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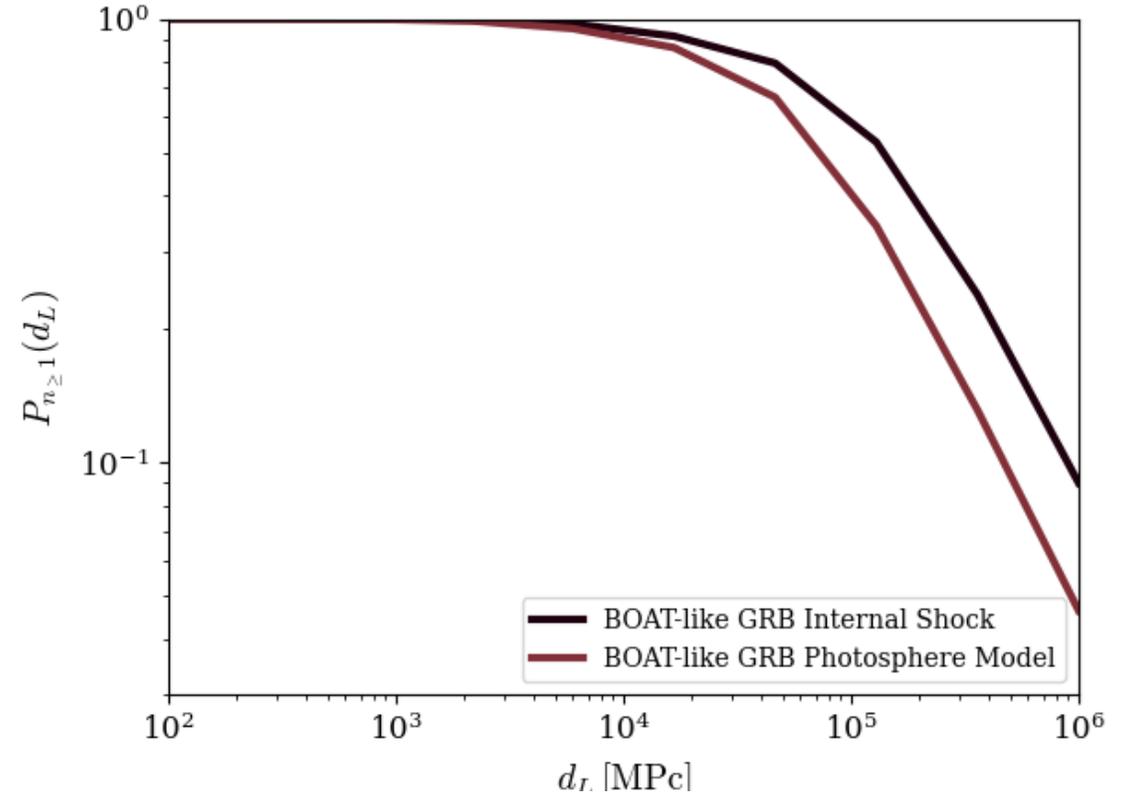
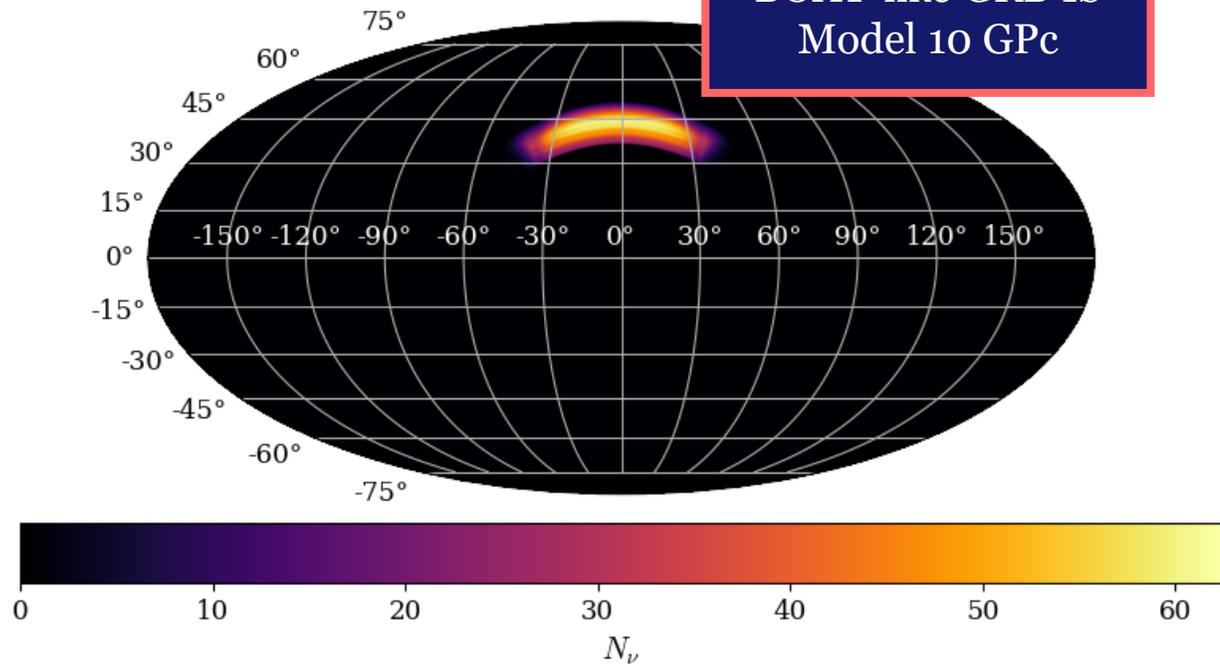


$$E_\nu^2 S(E_\nu) = \frac{2.44}{\Delta(\log_{10} E_\nu)} \frac{3}{\ln(10)} \frac{E_\nu}{A_{\text{eff}}}$$

- Comparable sensitivity to radio counterparts with a single telescope
- Ideal energy range for GRB model constrain

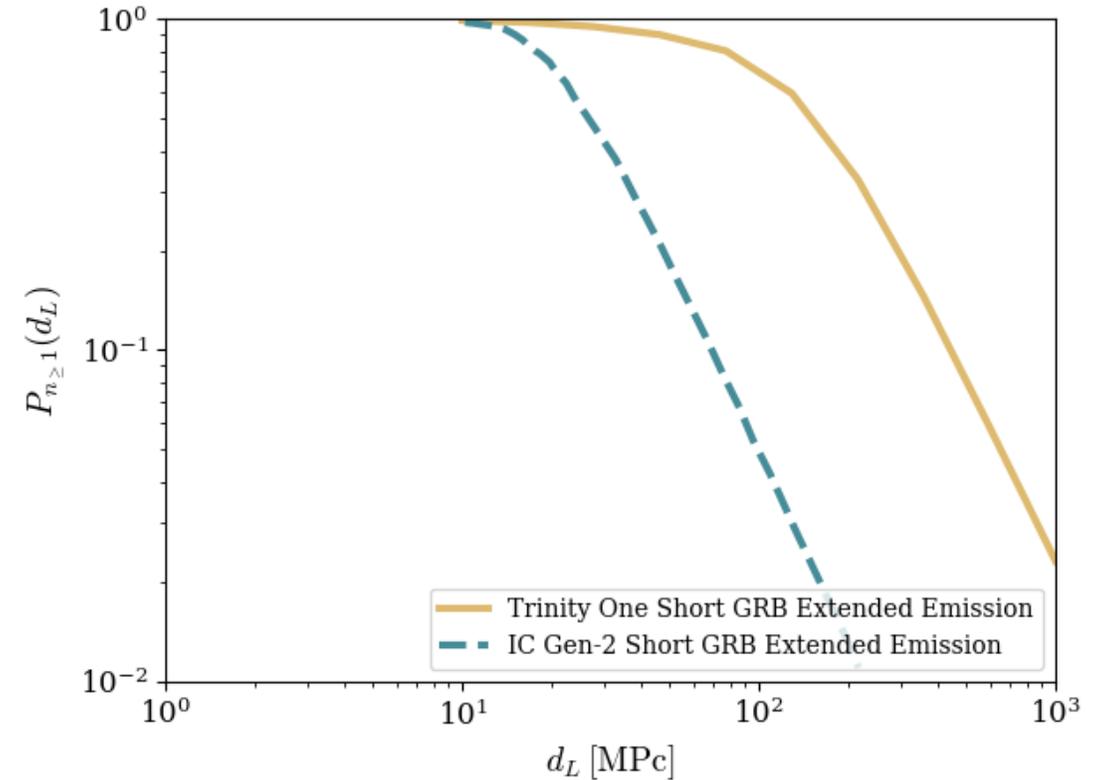
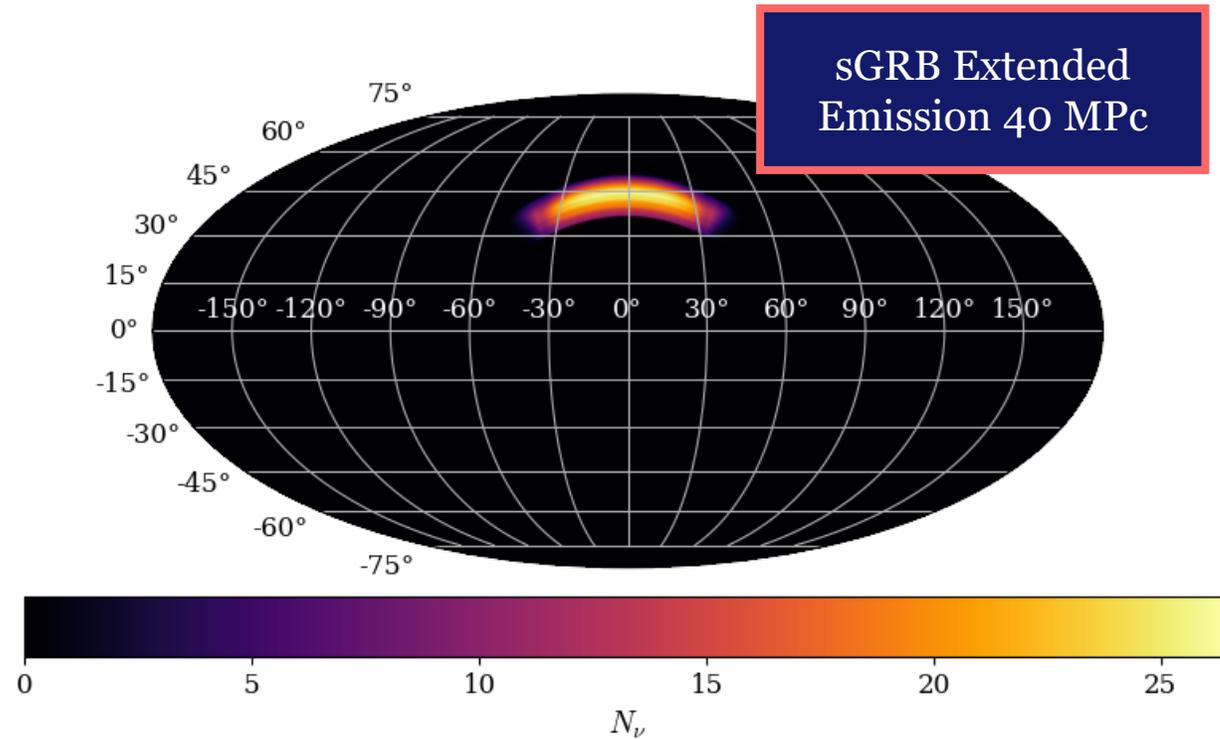
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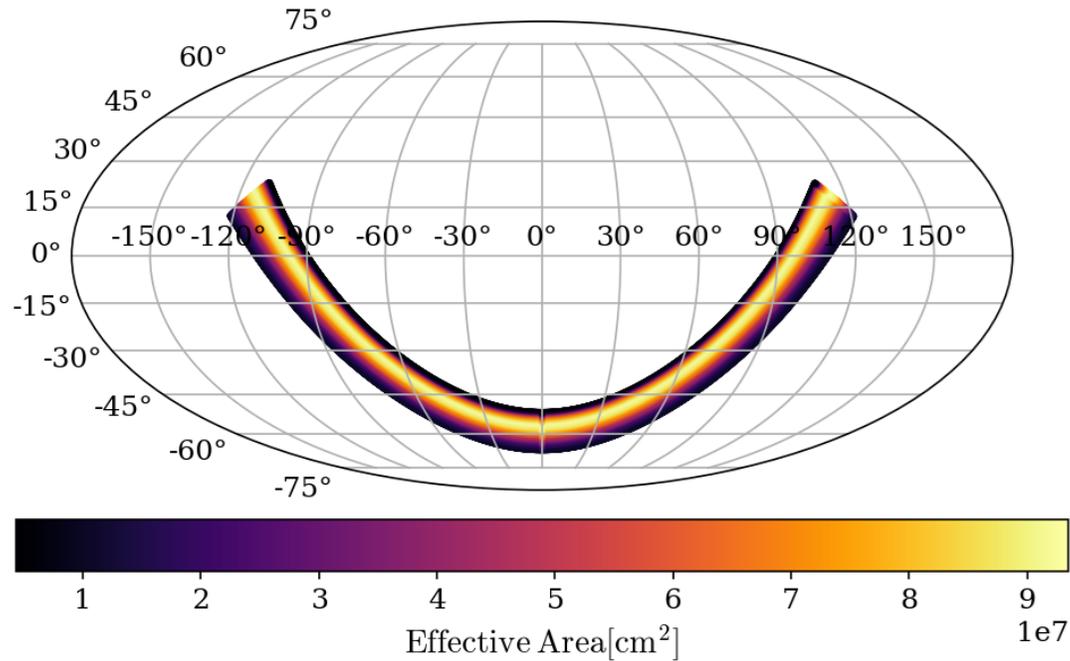
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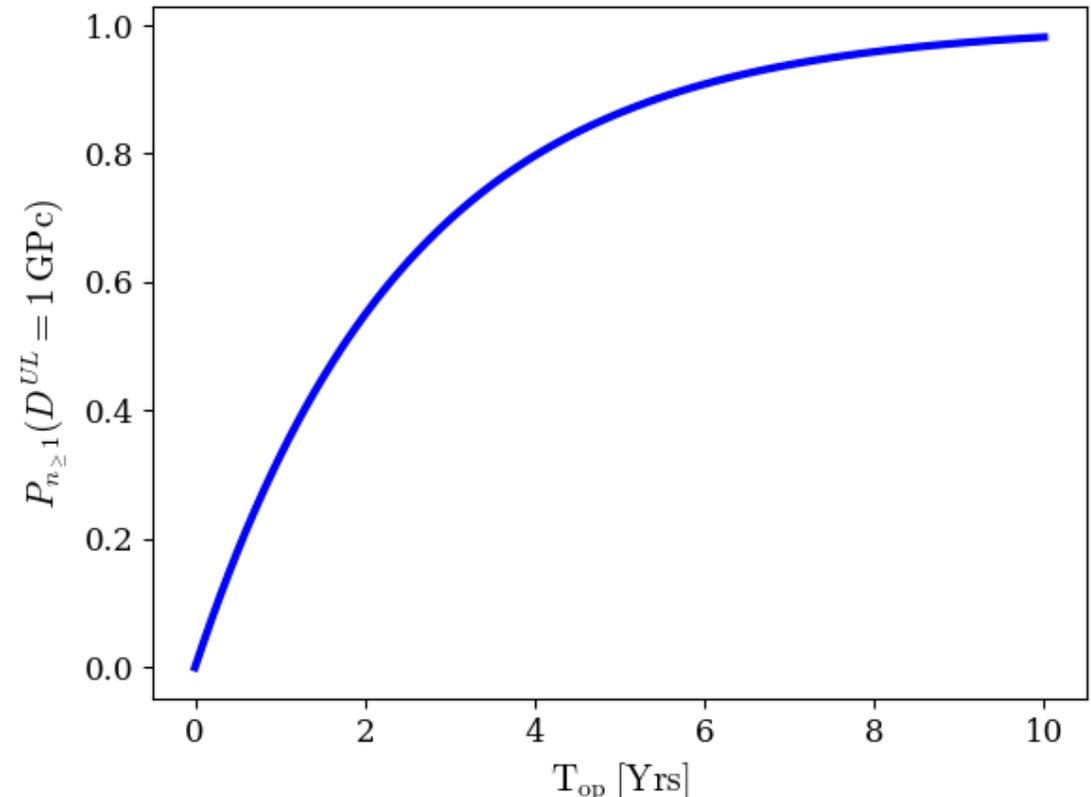
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- Follow ups from gravitational waves observatories expected

- 1 Gpc Upper Limit



Summary

- Demonstrate Earth-skimming as a UHE neutrino detection method.
- Leverage high sensitivity and sharp angular resolution for point-source studies.
- Use azimuthal rotation to boost neutrino detection rates.
- Work in progress, stay tuned...

Going to ICRC next week? Check out our poster on Trinity One

Right after some of our first data analysis run from the Trinity Demonstrator!

Questions?

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I appreciate your
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