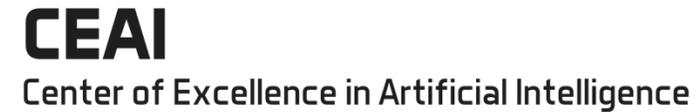
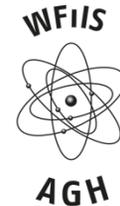


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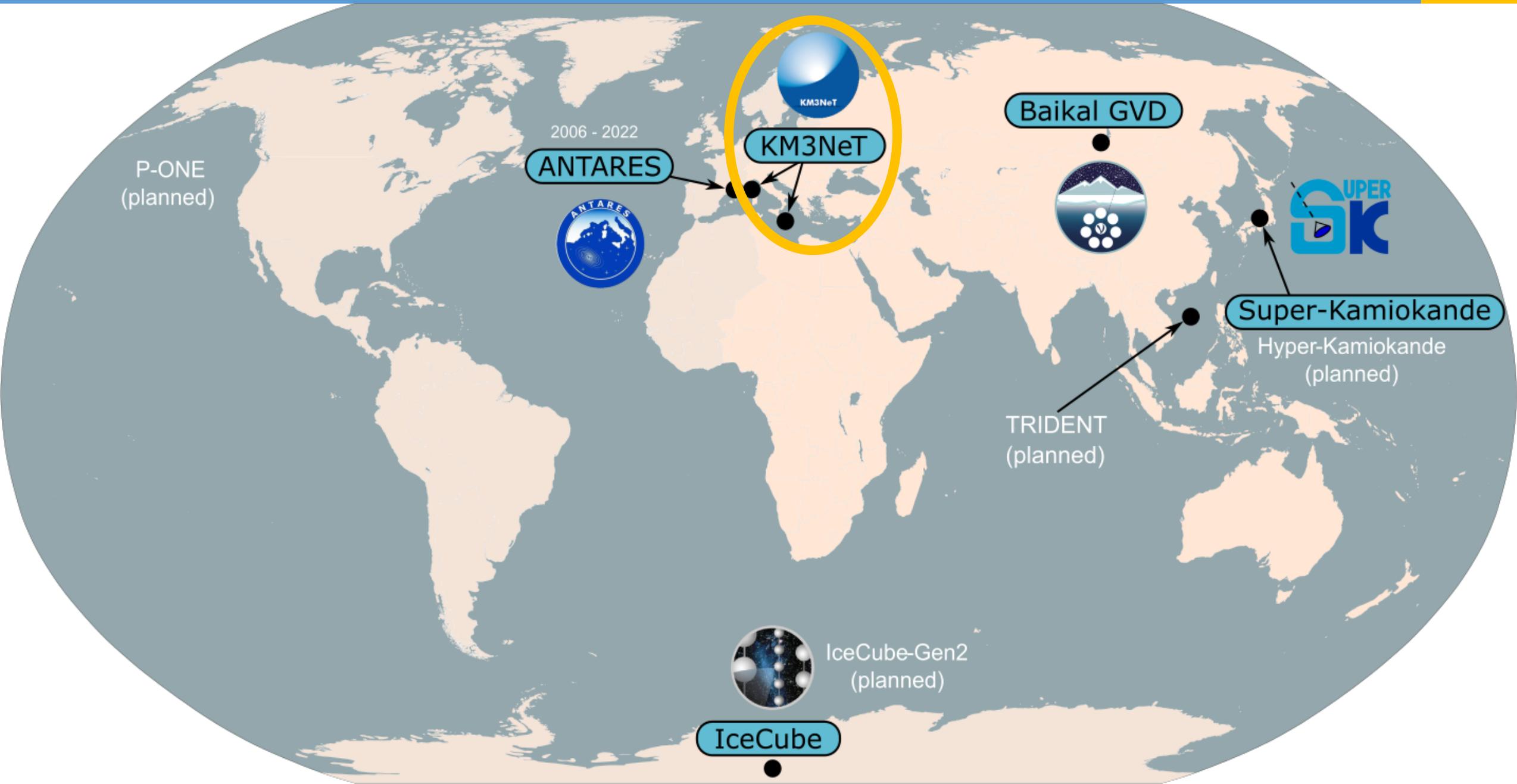
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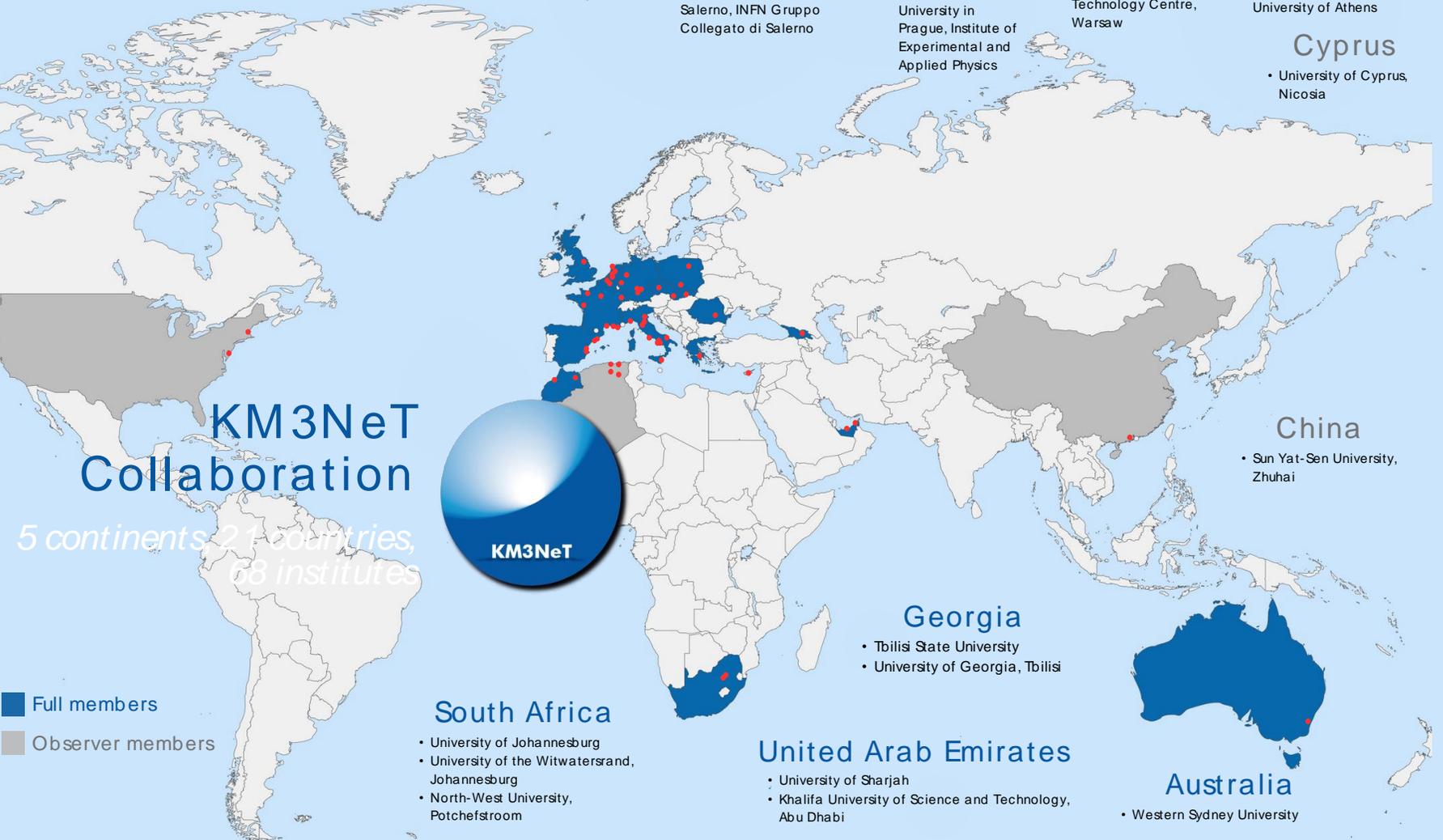
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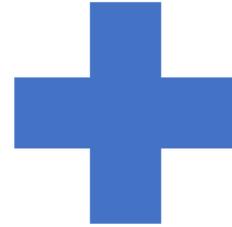
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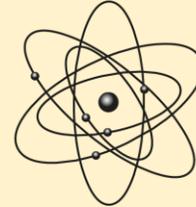
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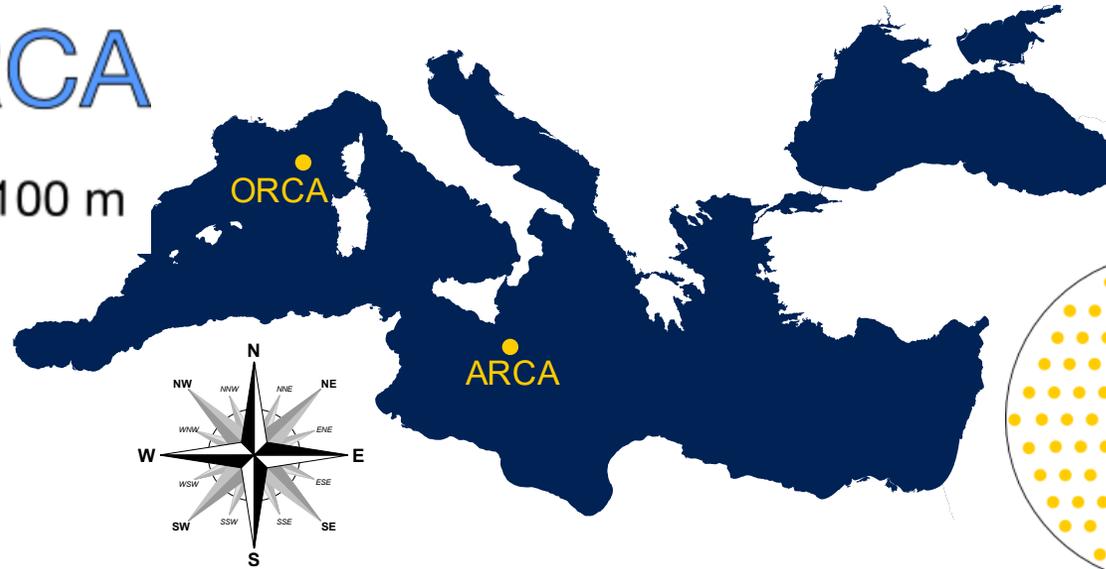
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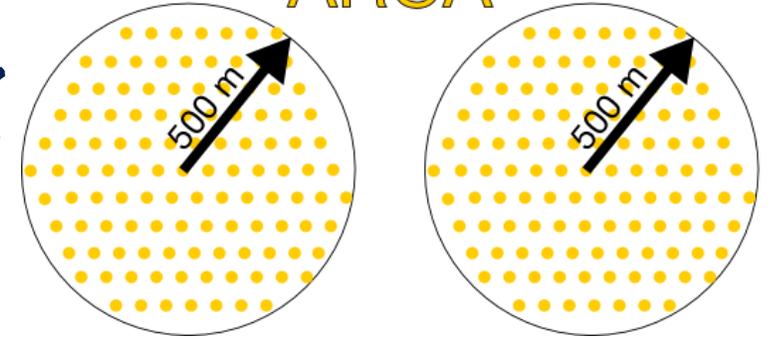
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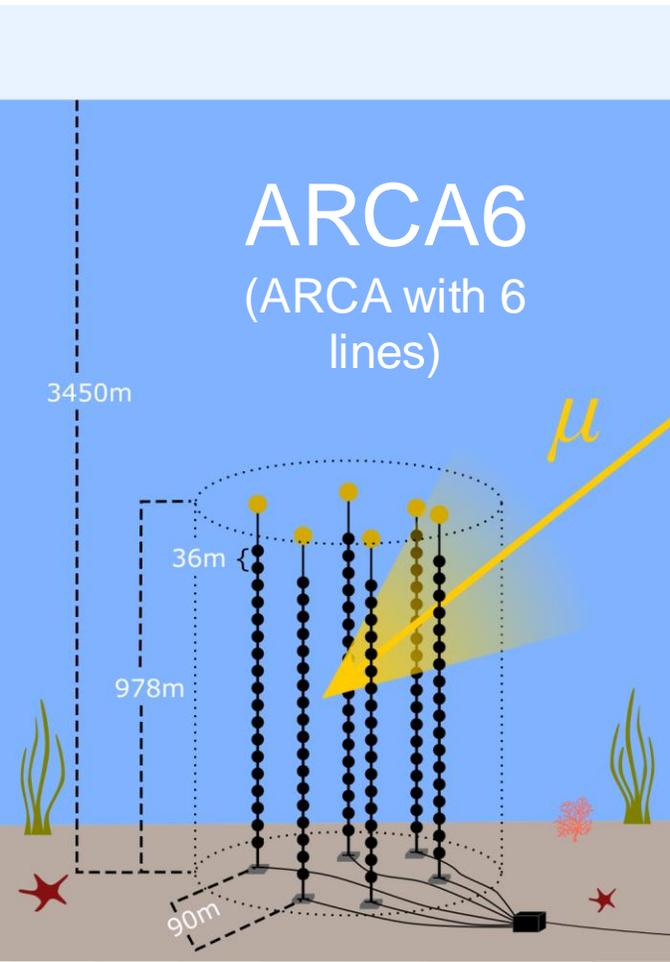
## ORCA



## ARCA



## ARCA6 (ARCA with 6 lines)



Detector	ARCA	ORCA
Depth	3.5 km	2.45 km
Volume	1 km <sup>3</sup> (1Gton)	0.007 km <sup>3</sup> (7Mton)
# lines	28 / 2x115	24 / 115
Topic	Astroparticle RCA*	Oscillation RCA*
Goal	$\nu_{\text{astro}}$	$m_\nu$ hierarchy

\*RCA : Research with Cosmics in the Abyss

DOM:  
71 unique components



[DOM production: \(@Nikhef\)](#)



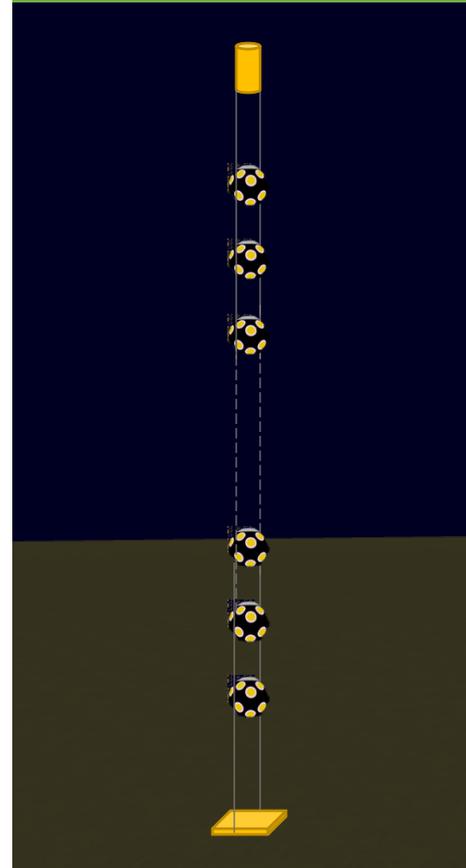
1 DOM:  
31 PMTs



[Preparation for deployment:](#)



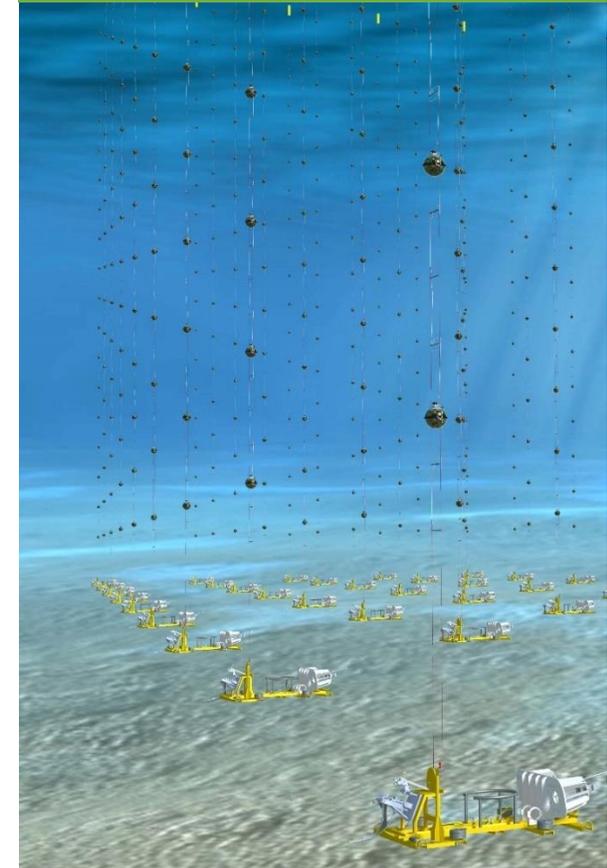
1 string (DU):  
18 DOMs



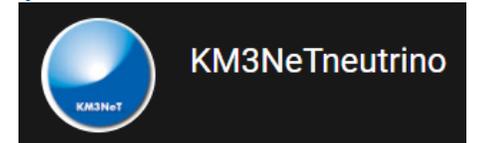
[String deployment:](#)



1 building block:  
115 DUs



More at:  
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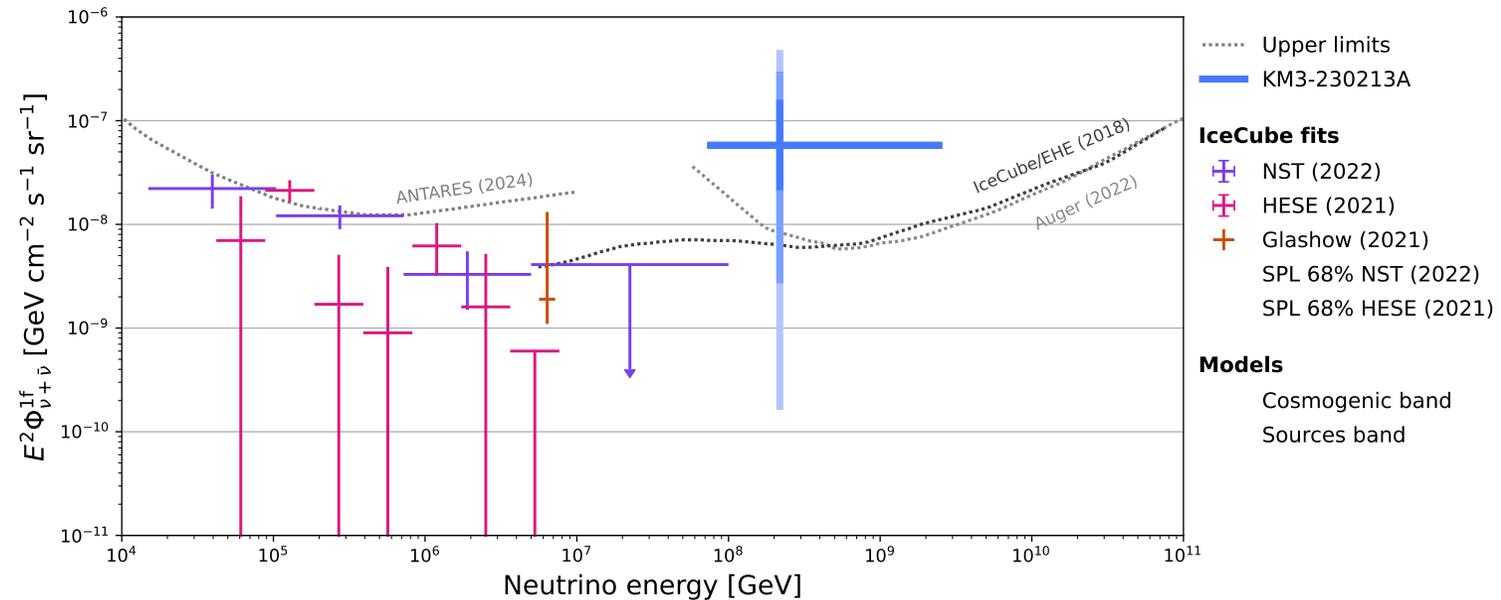
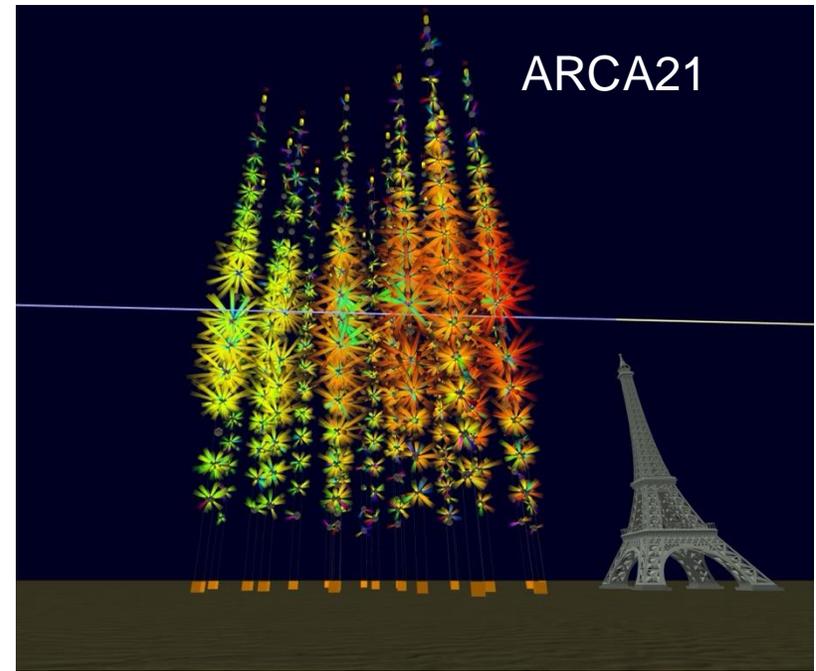
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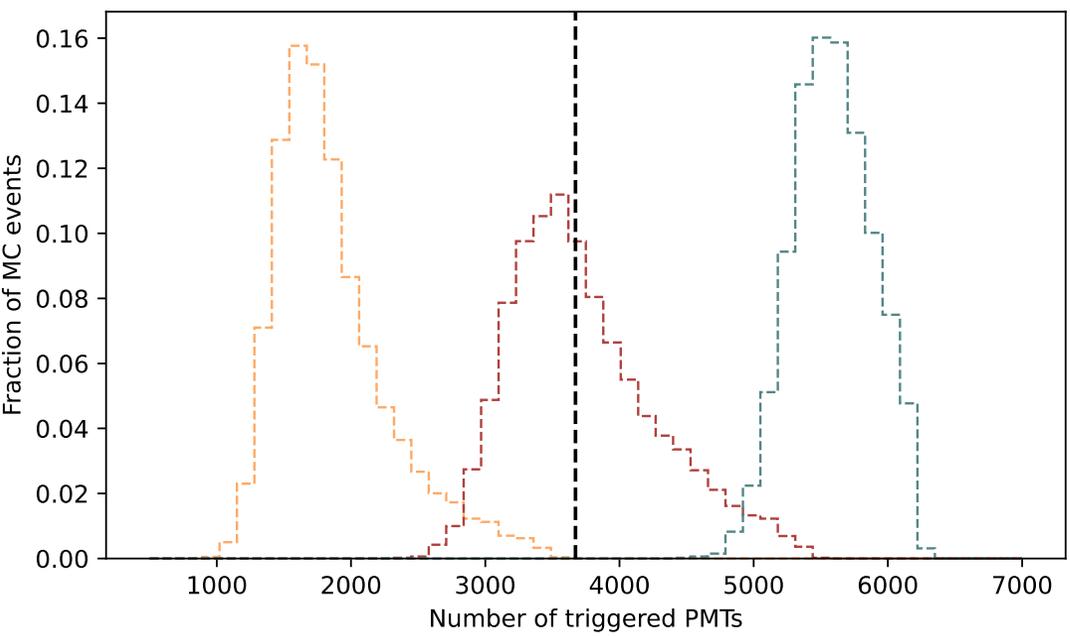


In case you did not follow the news last week ...

We've observed quite a beast of a neutrino



Muon energy  
 10 PeV      1000 PeV  
 100 PeV    --- Measurement



**Reco energies:**

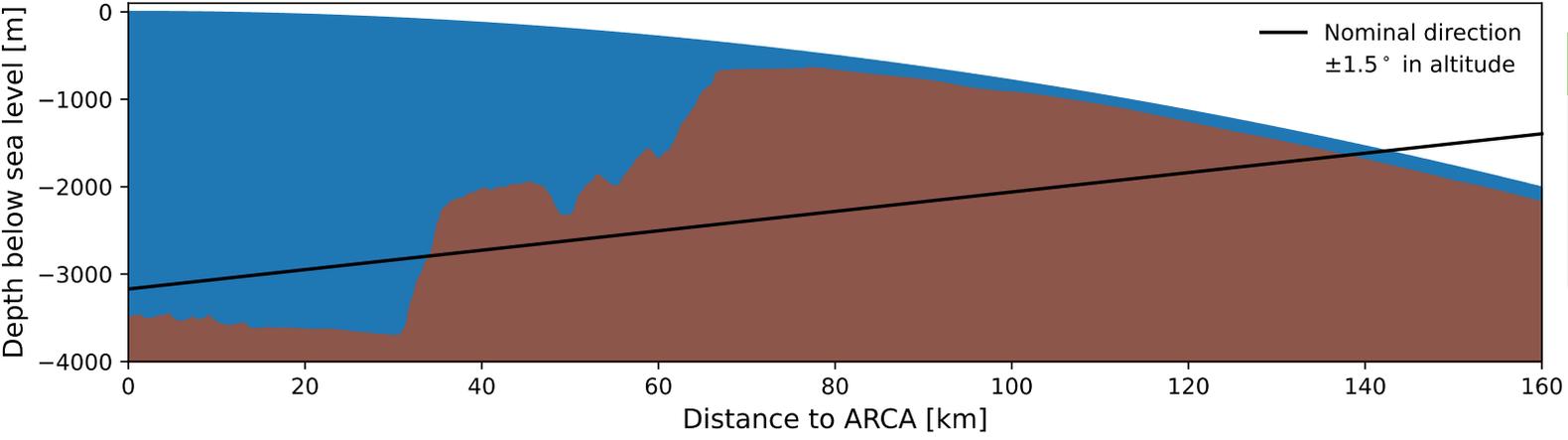
$$E_{\mu} = (120^{+110}_{-60}) \text{ PeV}$$

$$E_{\nu} = (220^{+570}_{-110}) \text{ PeV}$$

**Origin:**

- galactic      x
- blazar        ?
- cosmogenic ?

Companion papers:  
[\[1\]](#) other exp  
[\[2\]](#) cosmogenic  
[\[3\]](#) blazar  
[\[4\]](#) galactic  
 ...  
 (more coming!)



**Geometry:**

104 km      of rock  
 38 km      of water  
 309 km w. e. in total

[link to the paper](#)  
[link to the data](#)

# How do we increase the statistics?

We need more datapoints at UHE



Instrument even bigger volume

... but how?

multi-km<sup>3</sup> water Cherenkov telescopes very expensive, biggest planned: 7.5 km<sup>3</sup> ([TRIDENT](#))

The problem: light range ~ few 100m

The solution: sound range ~ few km

But how do we „hear” a neutrino?

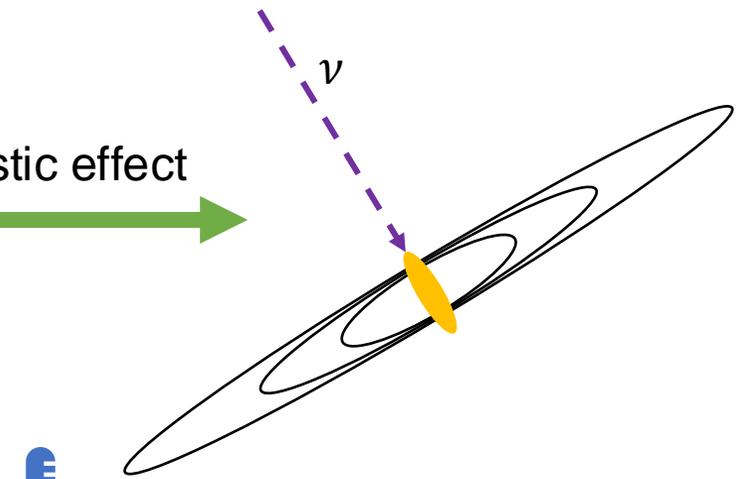


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thermoacoustic effect



~ kHz audio signal

## Hardware

Hydrophones:

- Piezoelectric (already installed)
- Membrane (already installed)
- Optic fibre + membrane (under development)
- ...?

## Site

KM3NeT-Gr:

- near Pylos
- depth: 4550m
- noise lvl measured
- seabed mapped:
  - sub-m precision
  - quite flat

## Software

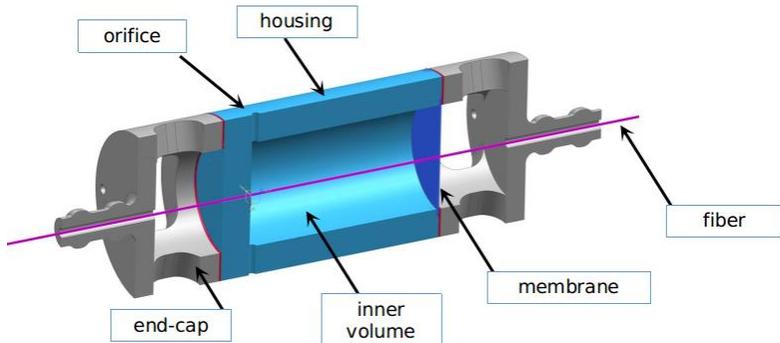
- There once was a MATLAB code from The ACoRNE Collaboration (and it is not available anymore ...)
- well ... and there's nothing else
- that's where we step in!

Simulation studies

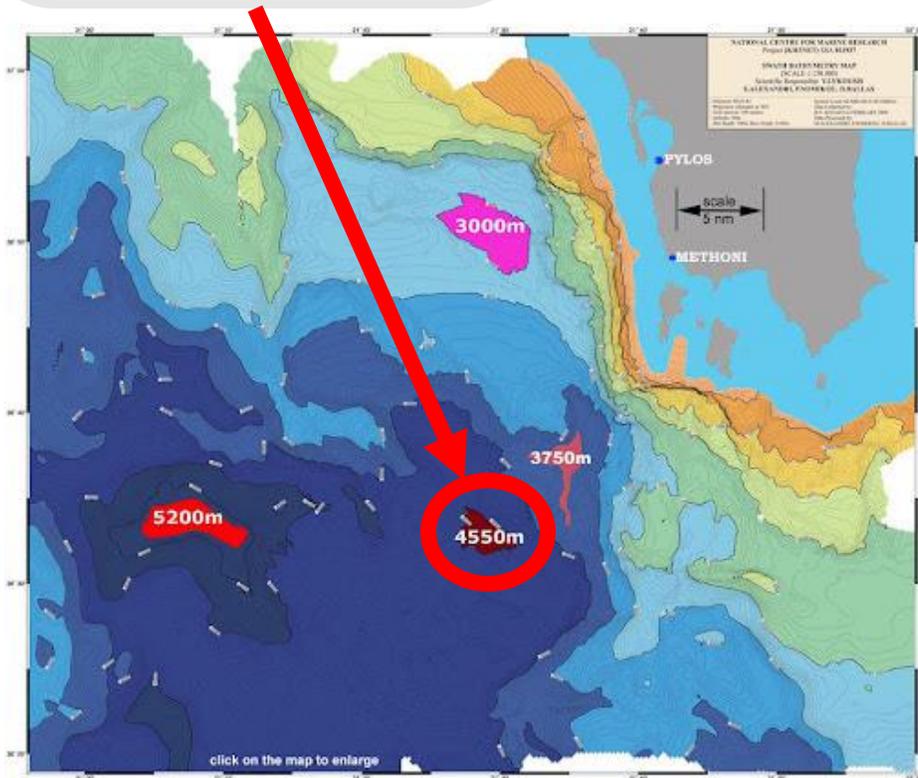
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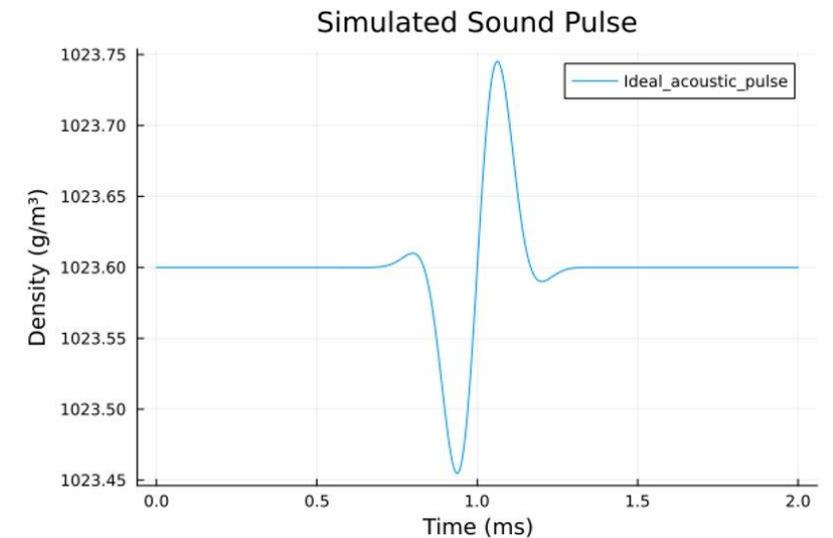
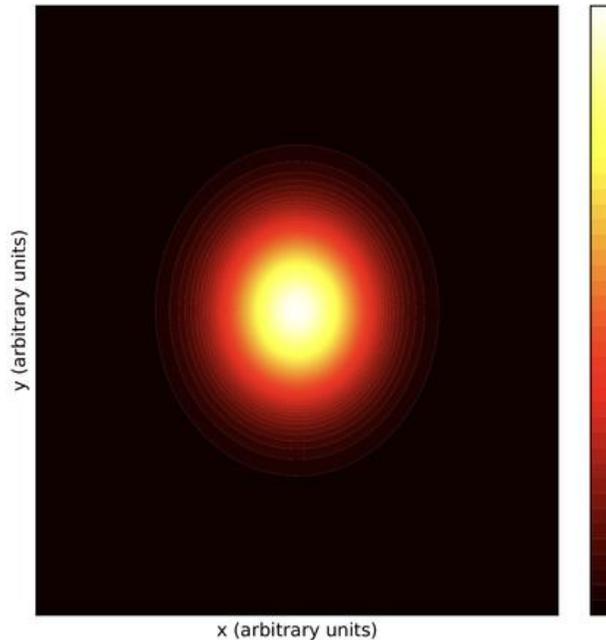
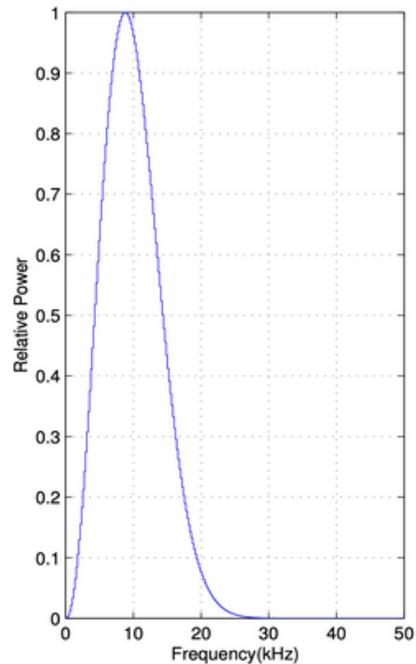
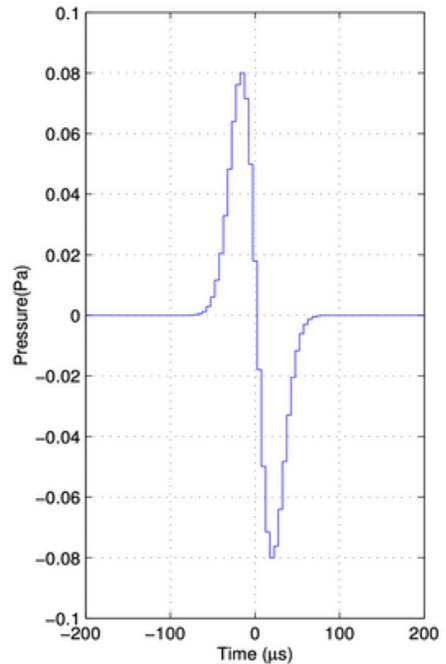
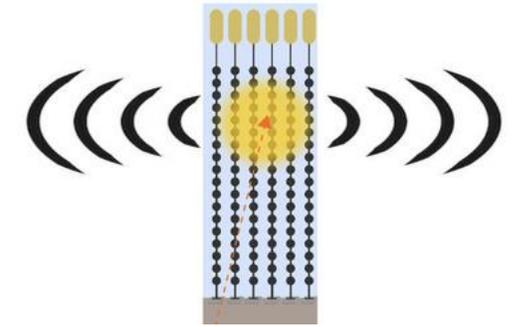
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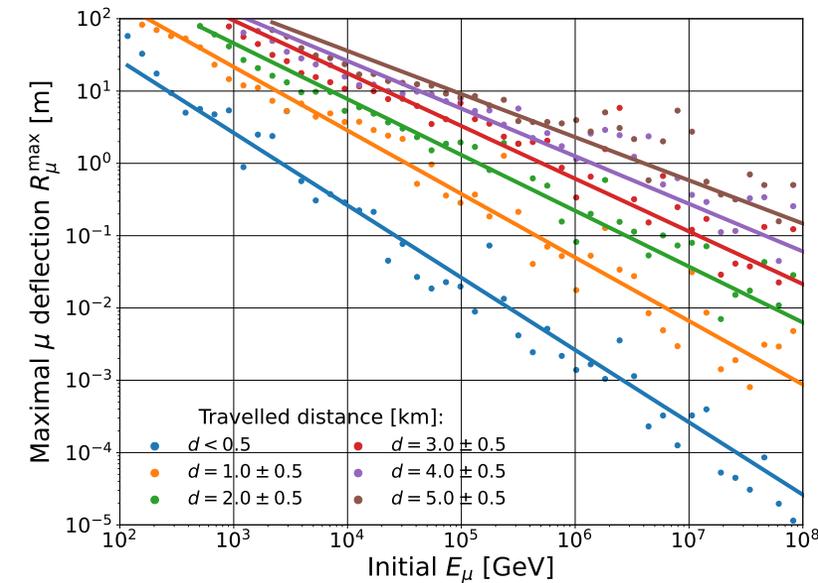
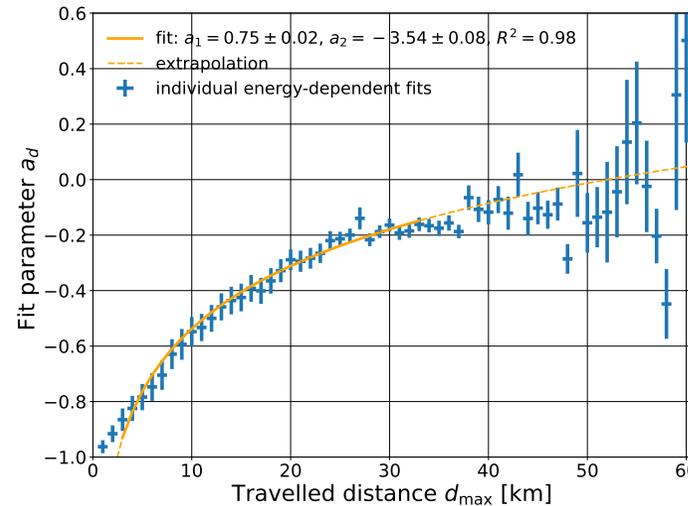
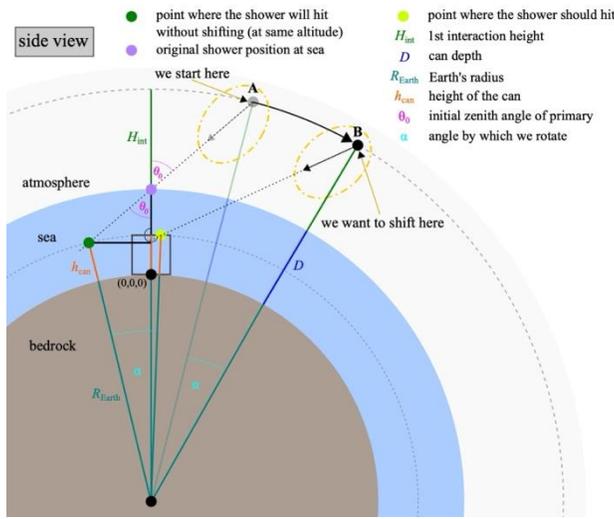
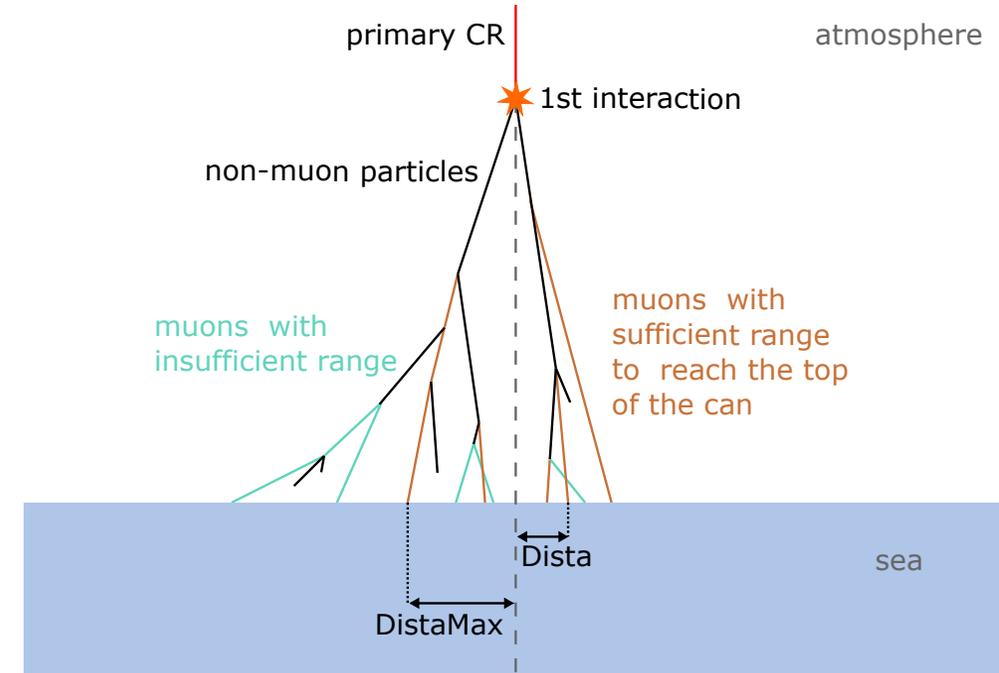
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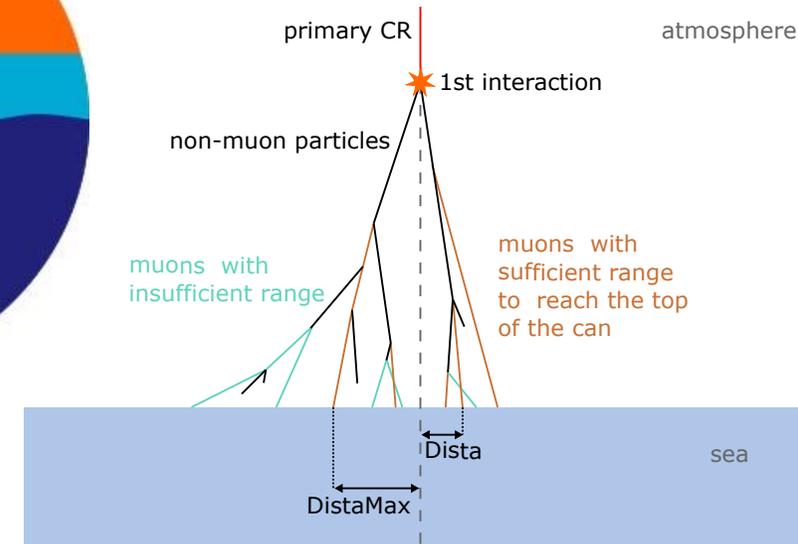
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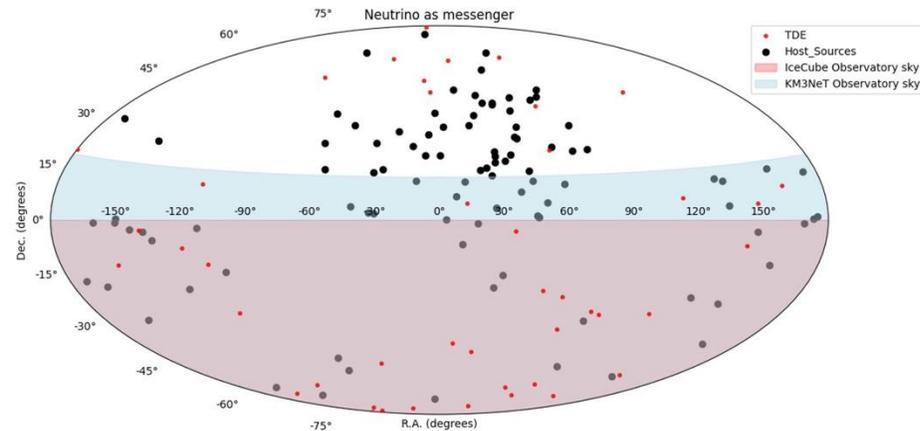
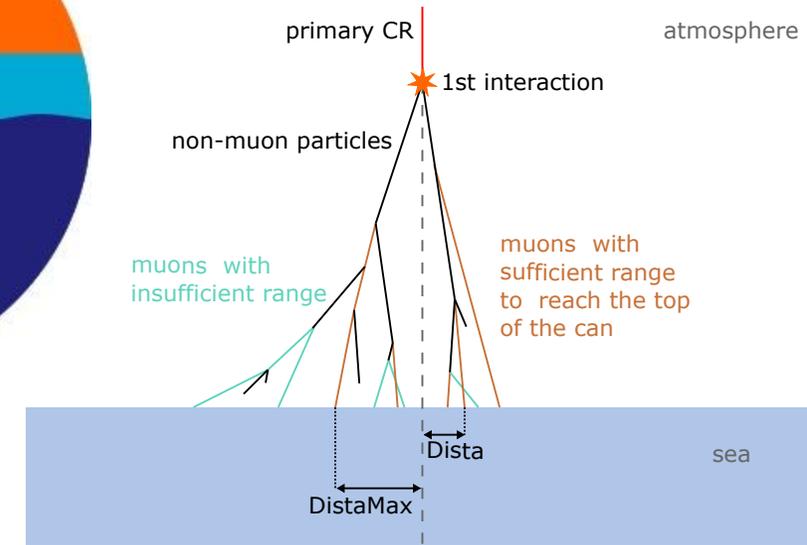
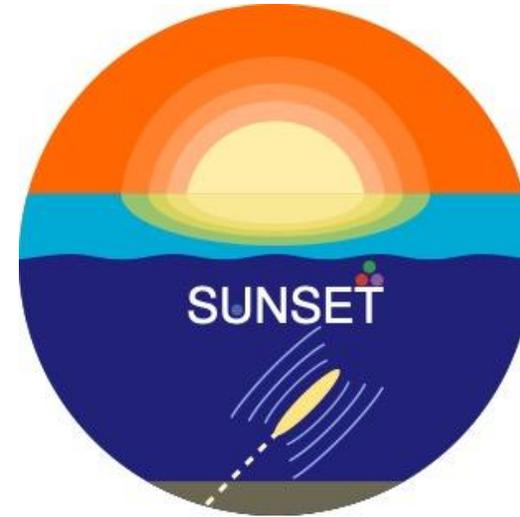
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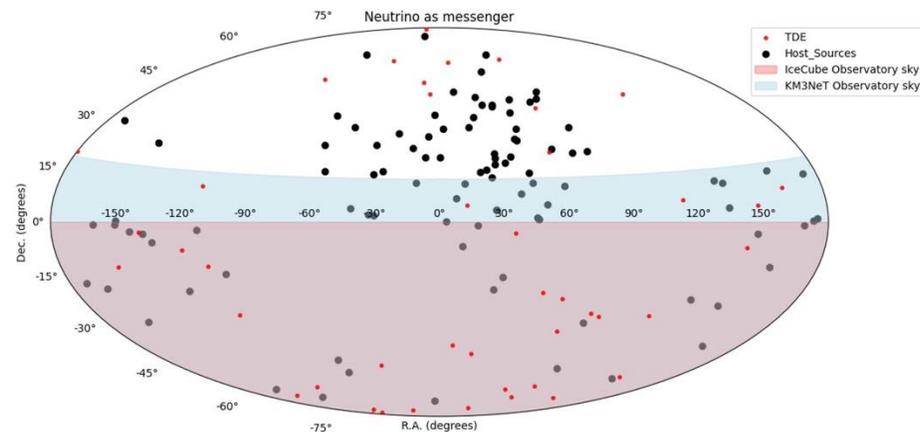
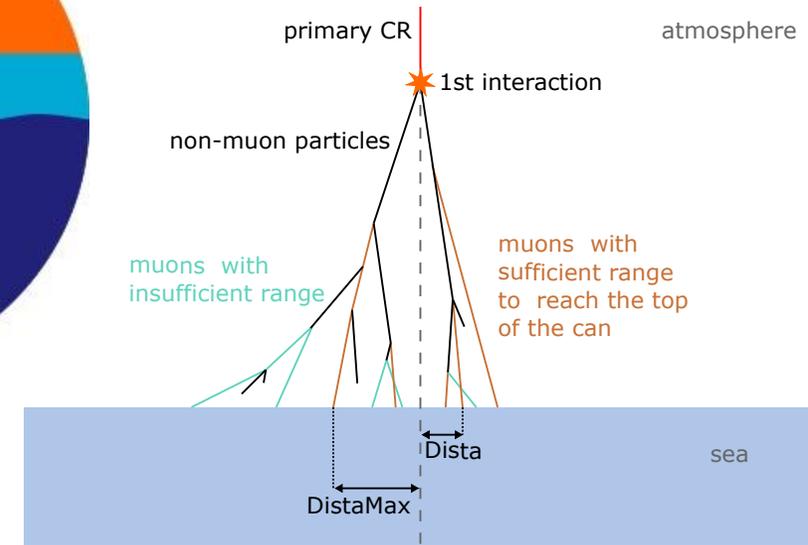
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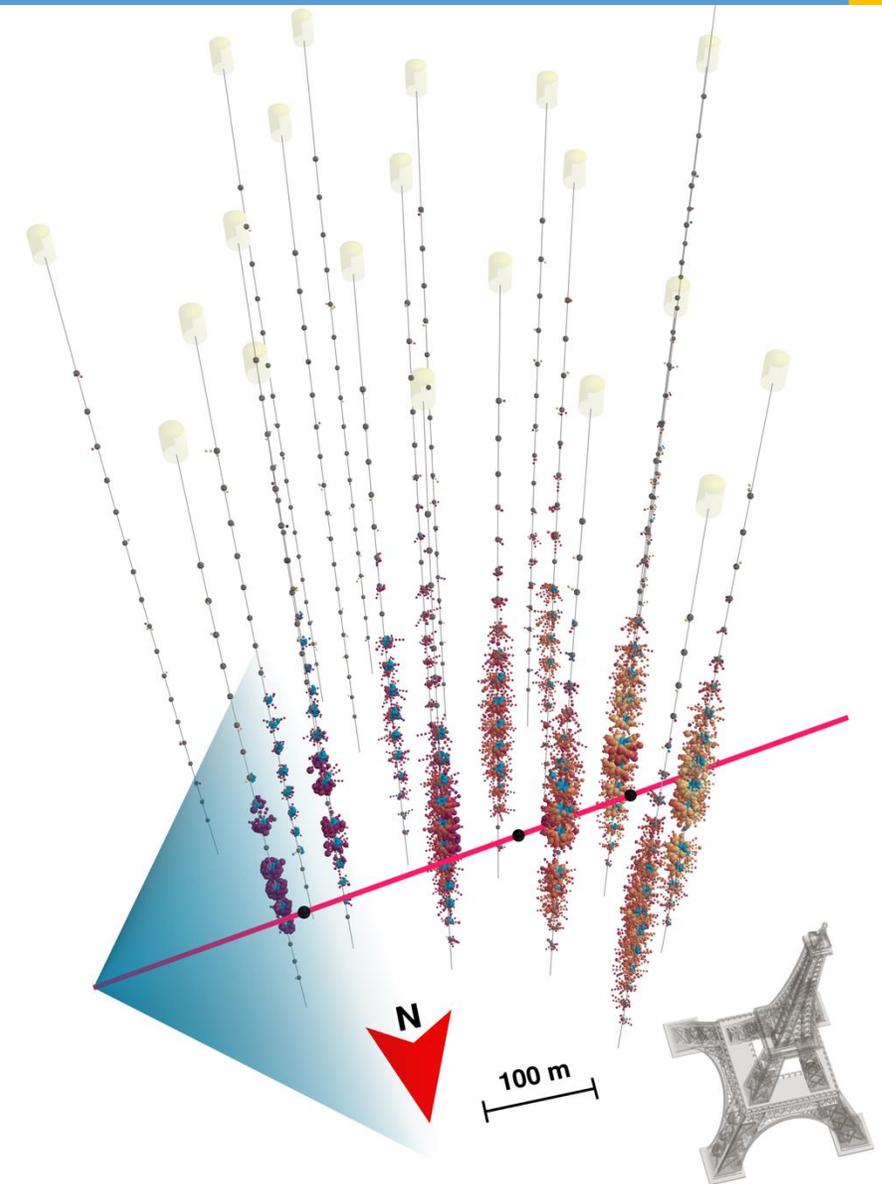




## Summary:

- ❖ KM3NeT keeps growing & collecting data
- ❖ Already competitive in astronomy (and beyond)
- ❖ Polish group active in:
  - simulation software development
  - neutrino astronomy
  - cosmic ray physics
  - machine learning
- ❖ Stay tuned for more exciting results! 😊

**Thank you for your attention!**



# Backup

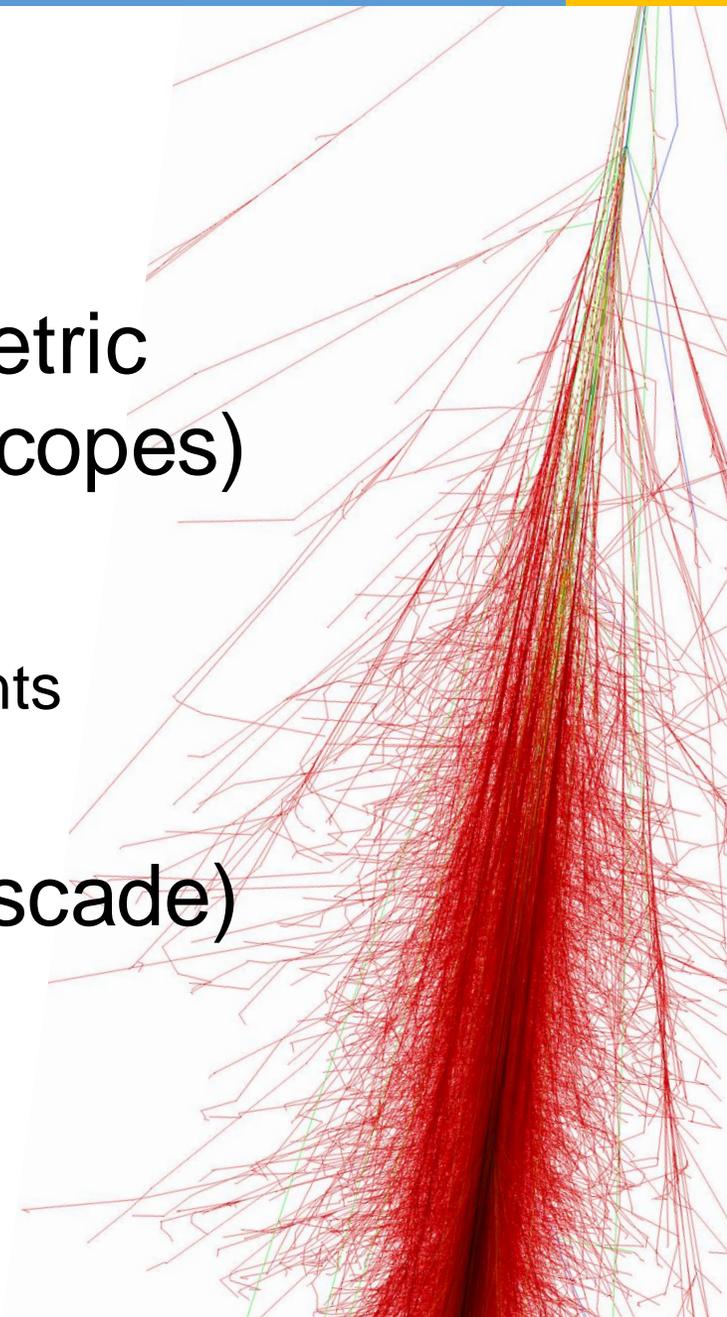
We have 2 options:

1. [MUPAGE](#) (atmospheric **MU**ons from **PA**rametric formulas: a fast **GE**nerator for neutrino telescopes)

- developed for ANTARES
- fast muon MC generator
- based on parametric formulas and MACRO measurements
- parameters can be freely tuned

2. [CORSIKA](#) (**CO**smic **R**ay **SI**mulations for **KA**scade)

- developed for KASCADE
- full simulation of air showers
- customizable (models, primaries, etc.)



## Digital Optical Module (DOM)

acrylic glass sphere with:

- 31 3" PMTs,
- readout electronics,
- pressure gauge,
- acoustic sensors,
- ...

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## Photomultiplier Tube (PMT)

converts light into electric signal

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Detection Unit (DU):  
vertical string with 18 DOMs

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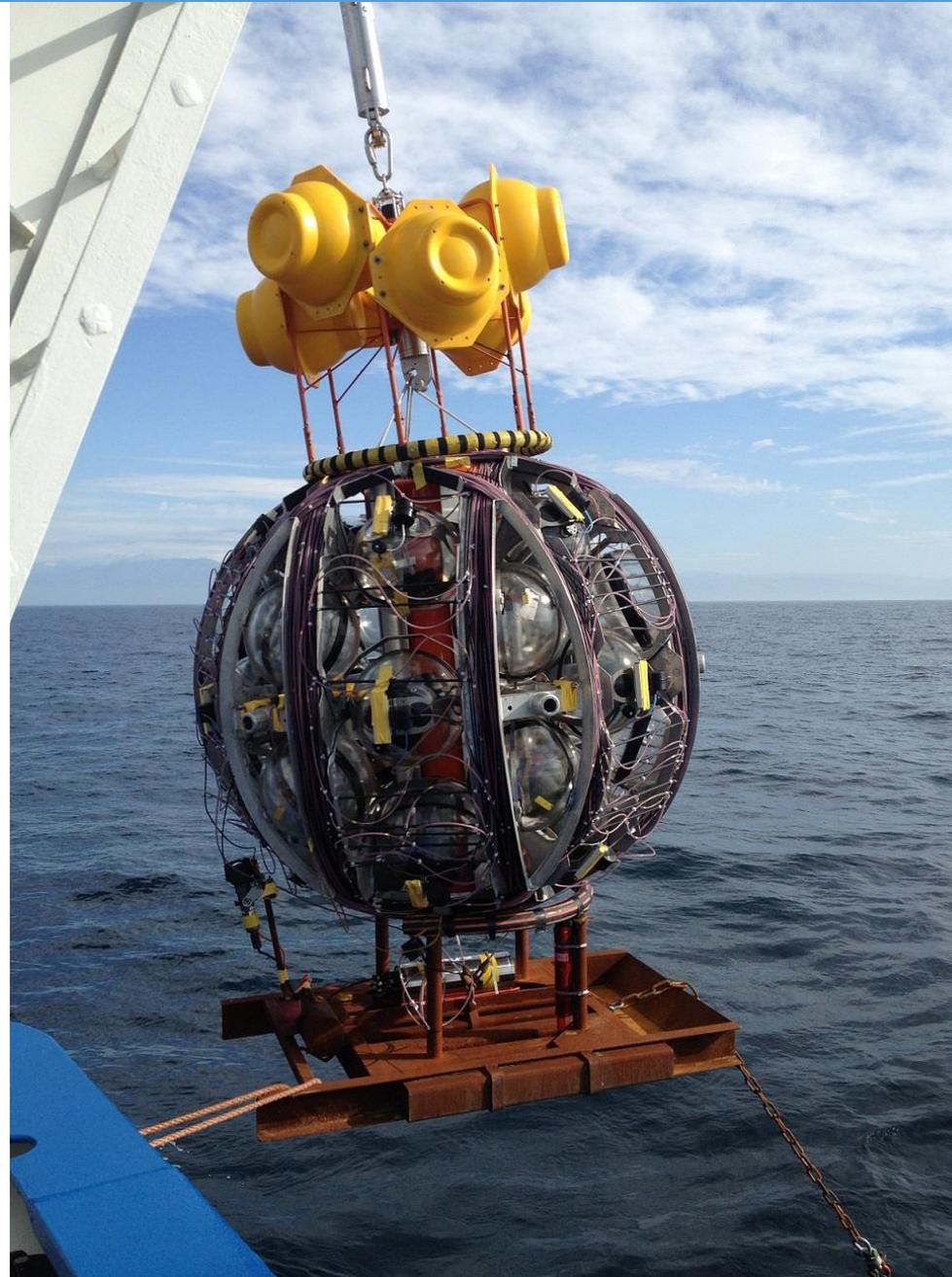
Naming:

ORCA6 ↔ ORCA with 6 strings

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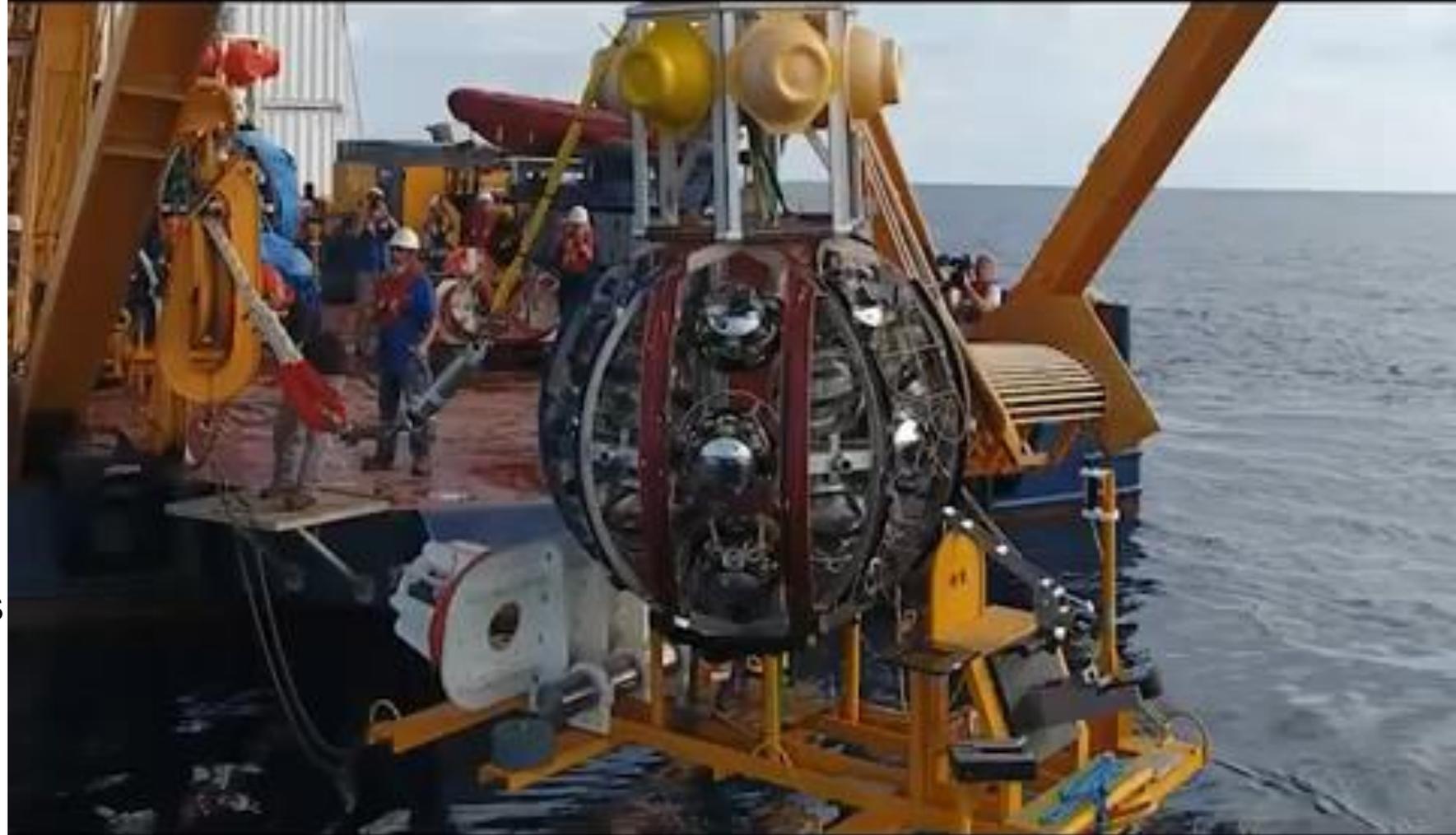
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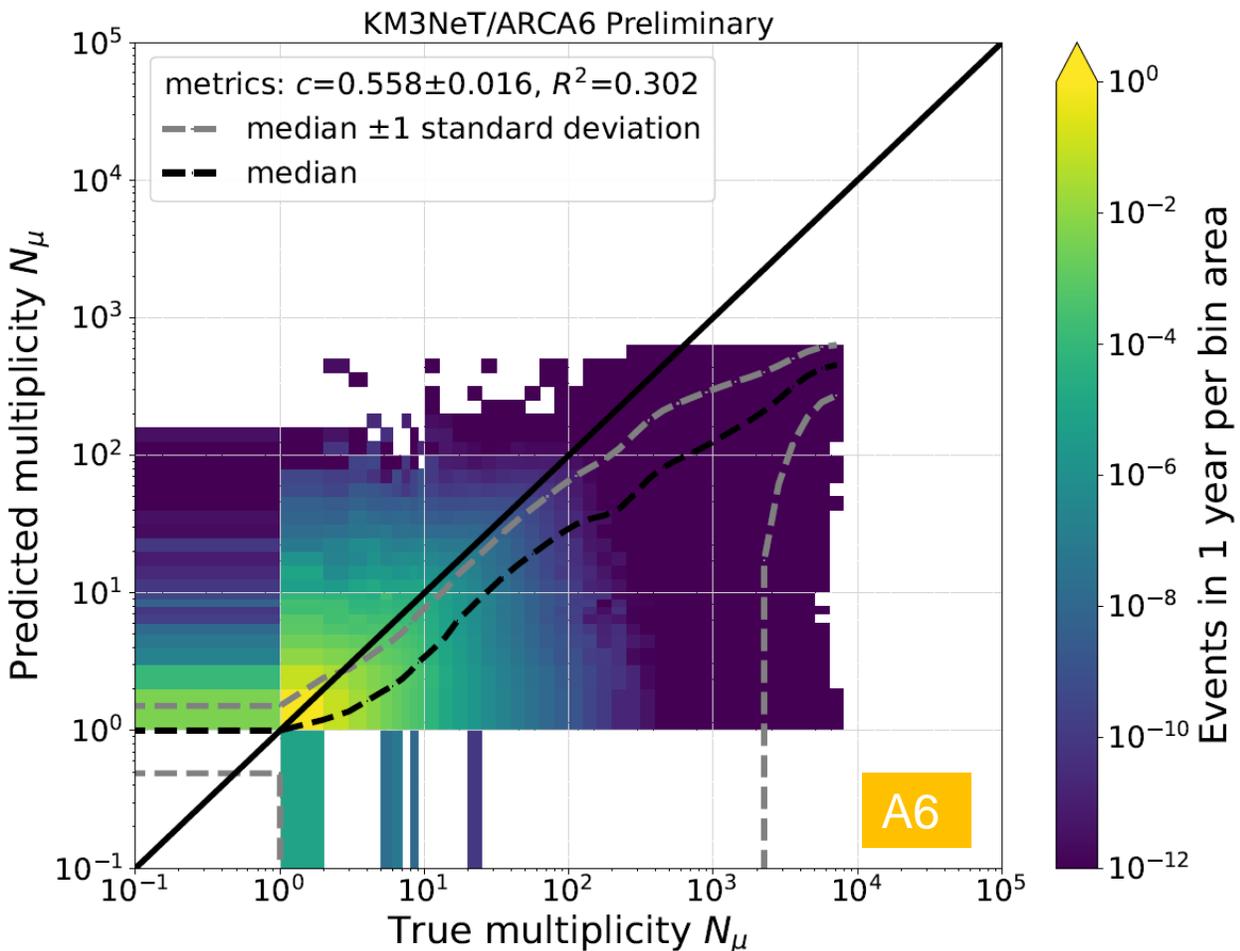
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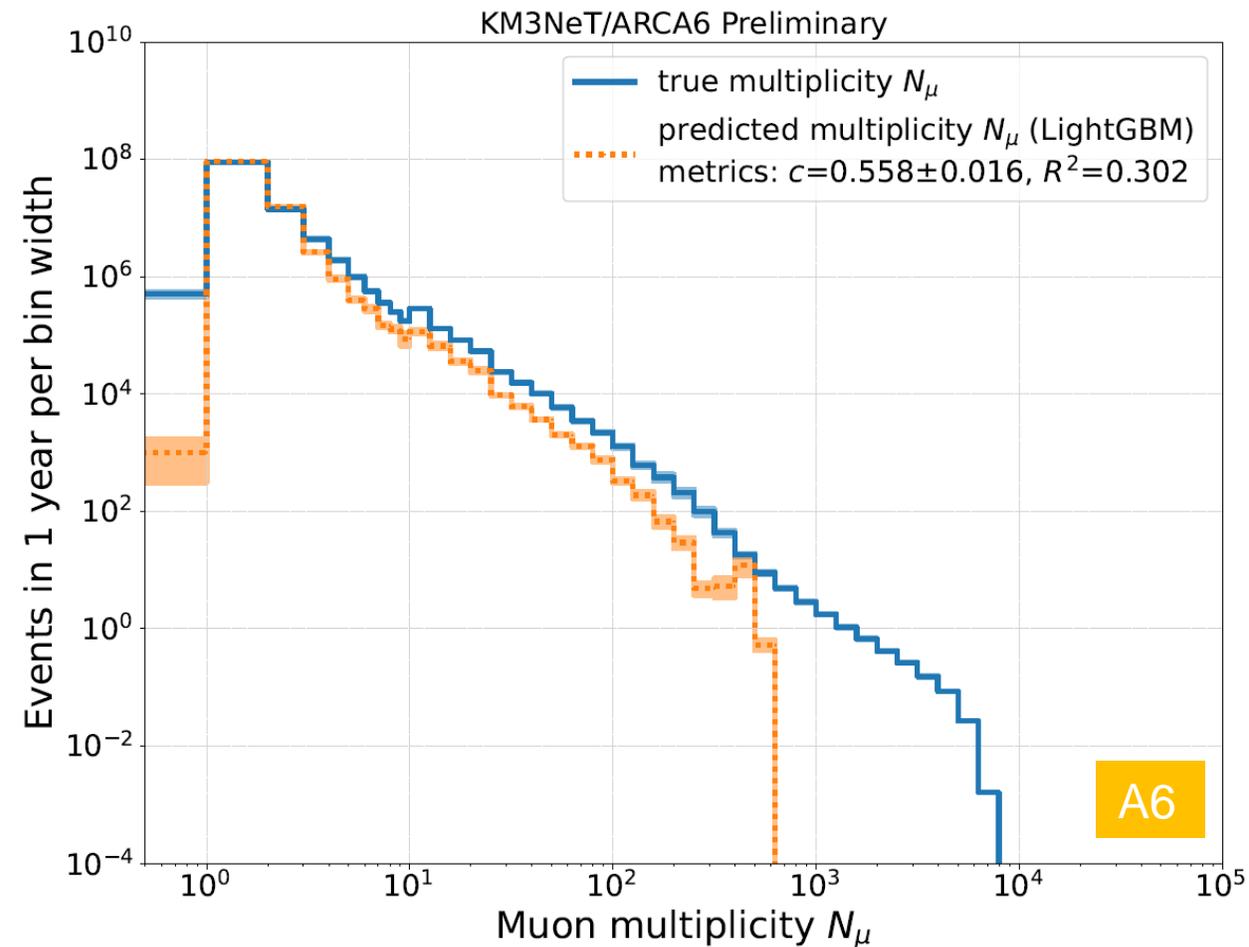
Analogical results obtained for ARCA115, ORCA115 and ORCA6

## Example of the results for ARCA6:

2D: pred vs true



1D histograms

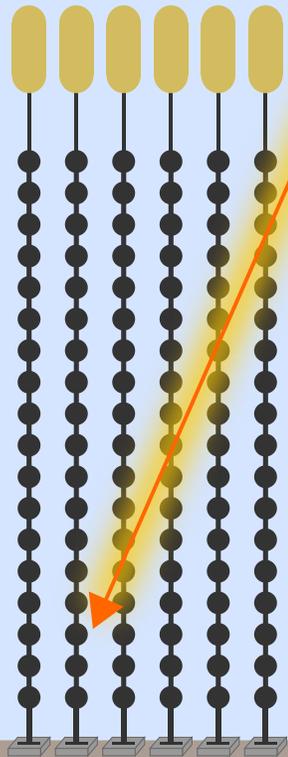


Examples of basic event topologies:

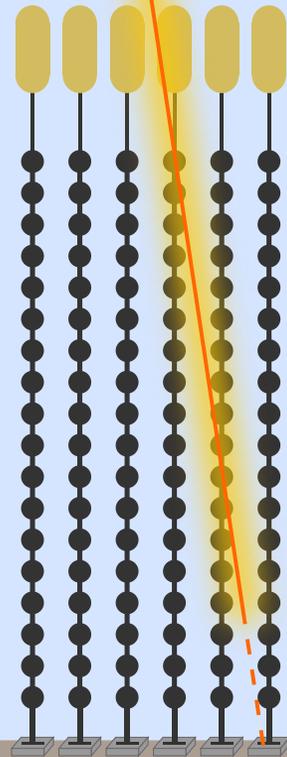
Classes based on combinations of:

- ❖ Direction
- ❖ Shape

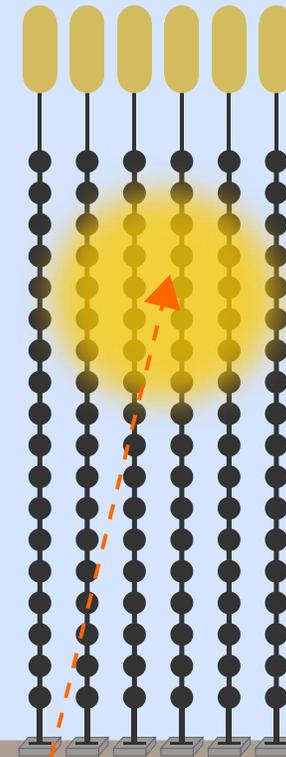
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(typically atm.  $\mu$ )



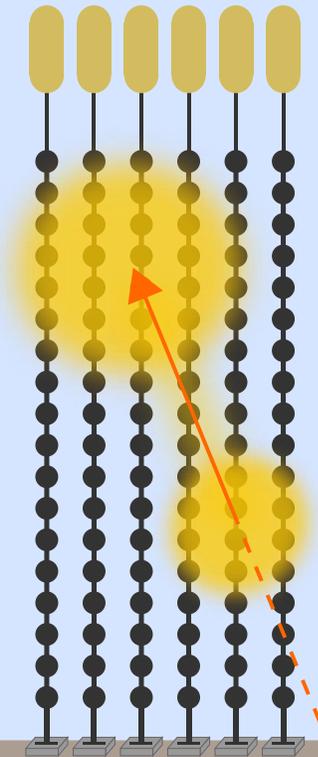
up-going track  
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single cascade  
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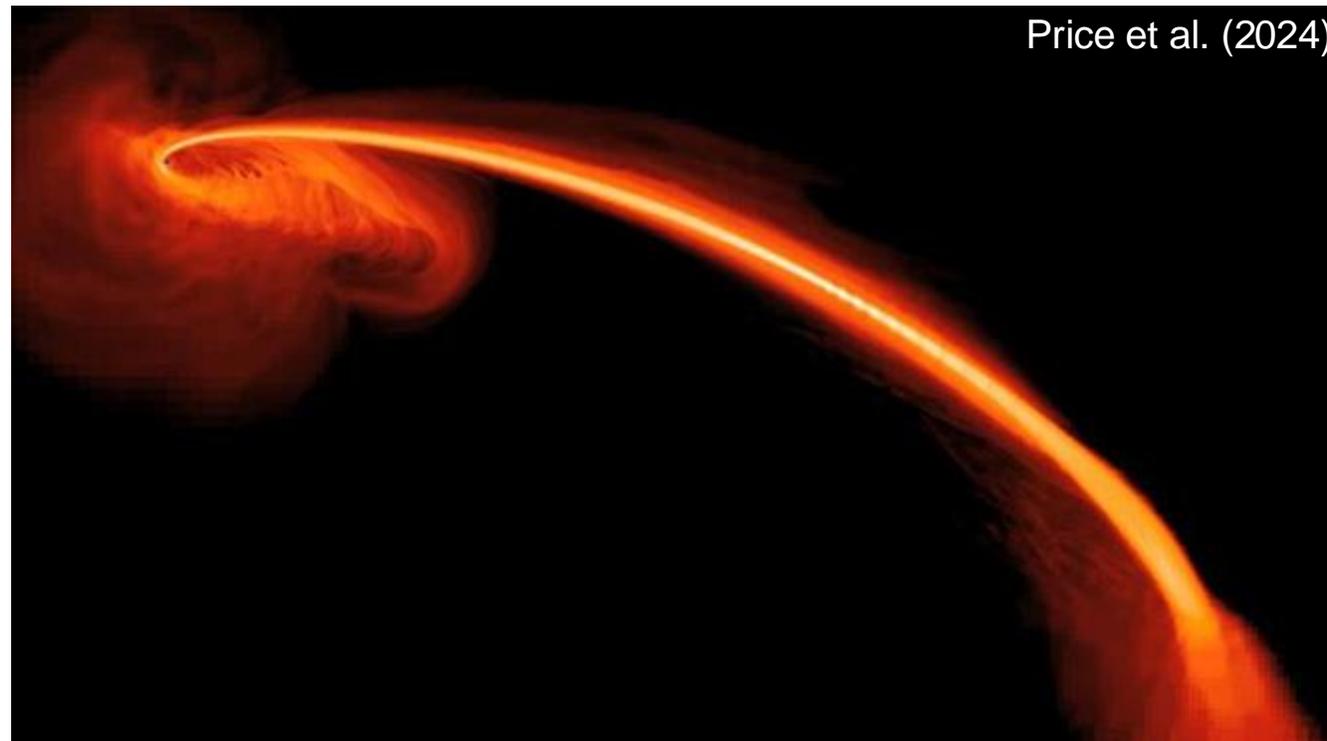


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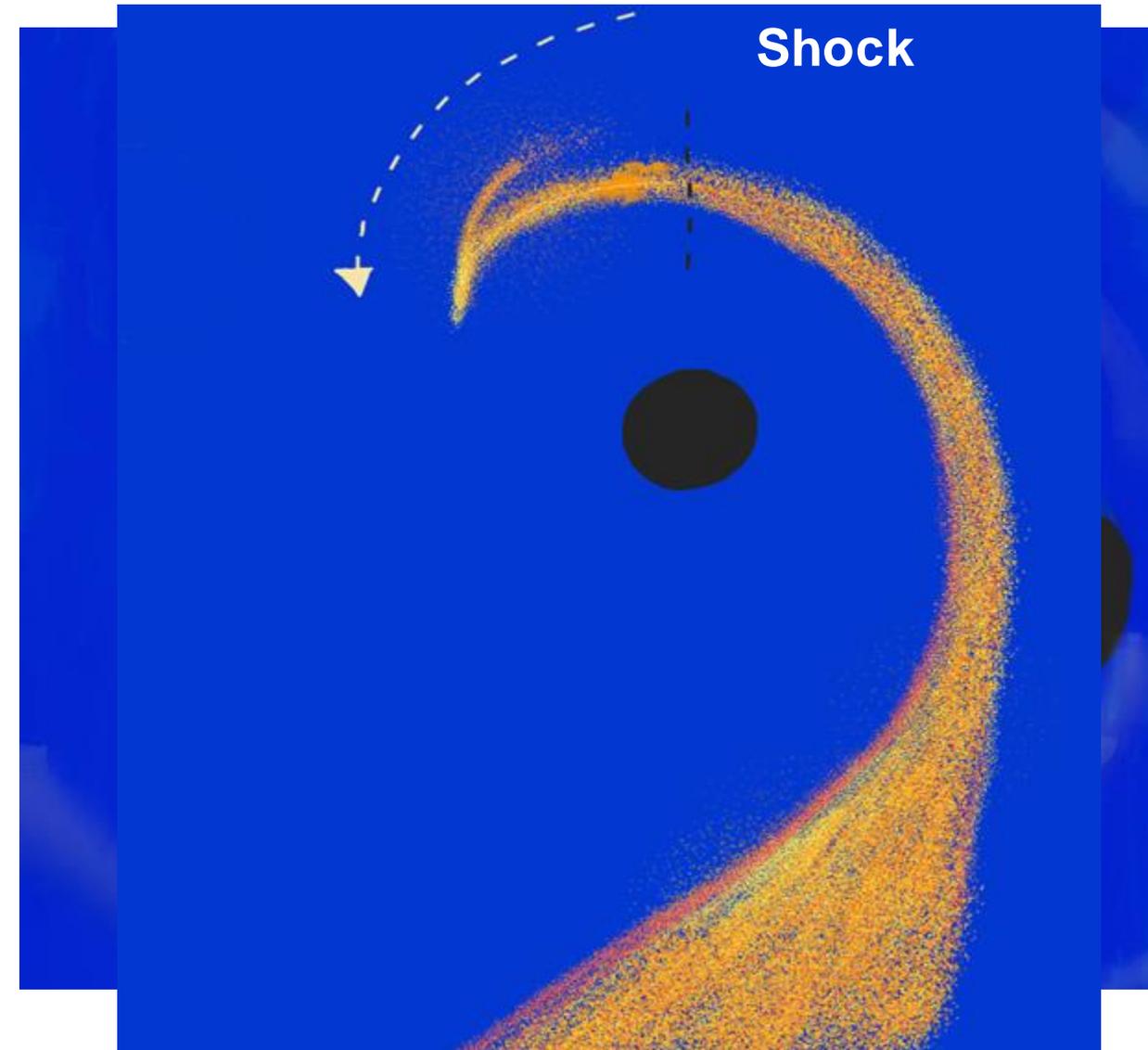
Tidally disrupted events

Strategy

- High-energy neutrino emission is correlated with temporal and spatial emissions across all the multi-messenger
- Tidally disrupted events are one of the potential candidates of high energy neutrinos



- Tidally disrupted events (TDE): Theoretical concept of massive black holes and star system reaching Roche limit
- Main sequence stars of mass  $1 - 10 M_{\odot}$  and black hole mass  $10^6 - 10^{12} M_{\odot}$
- TDE comprises of jet and fallback accretion system



- Multi-messenger properties:
  - Spectral classification by UV - optical color diagram into TDE-H, TDE-H+He, and TDE-He
  - At X-ray and radio energies non-thermal emissions
  - Very high-energy neutrinos of TeV and PeV
  - Gravitational waves candidate up to 10 Hz

