

# *The next galactic supernova with the IceCube observatory*

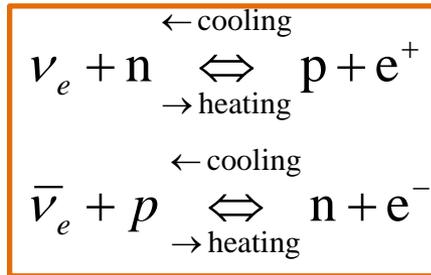


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# One page supernova physics

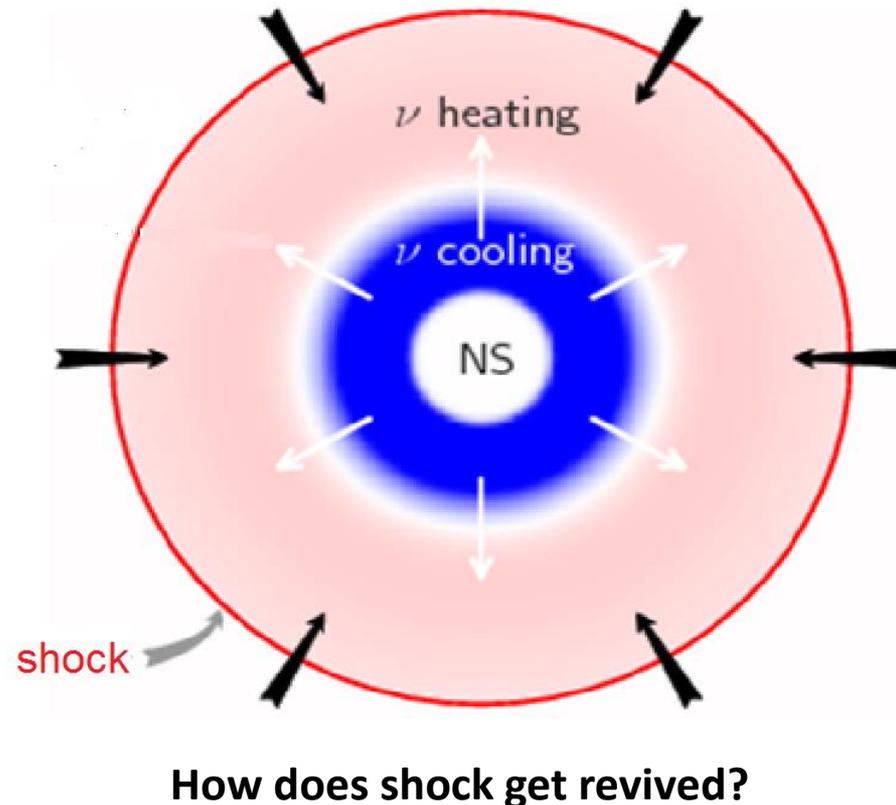
- ⊙ if star runs out of nuclear fuel, no radiative pressure to balance gravitational infall
- ⊙ star fights desperately against collapse trying to relieve pressure
- ⊙ bounce on hard core → outgoing shock wave → shock stalls eventually ...
- ⊙ neutrinos play important role:



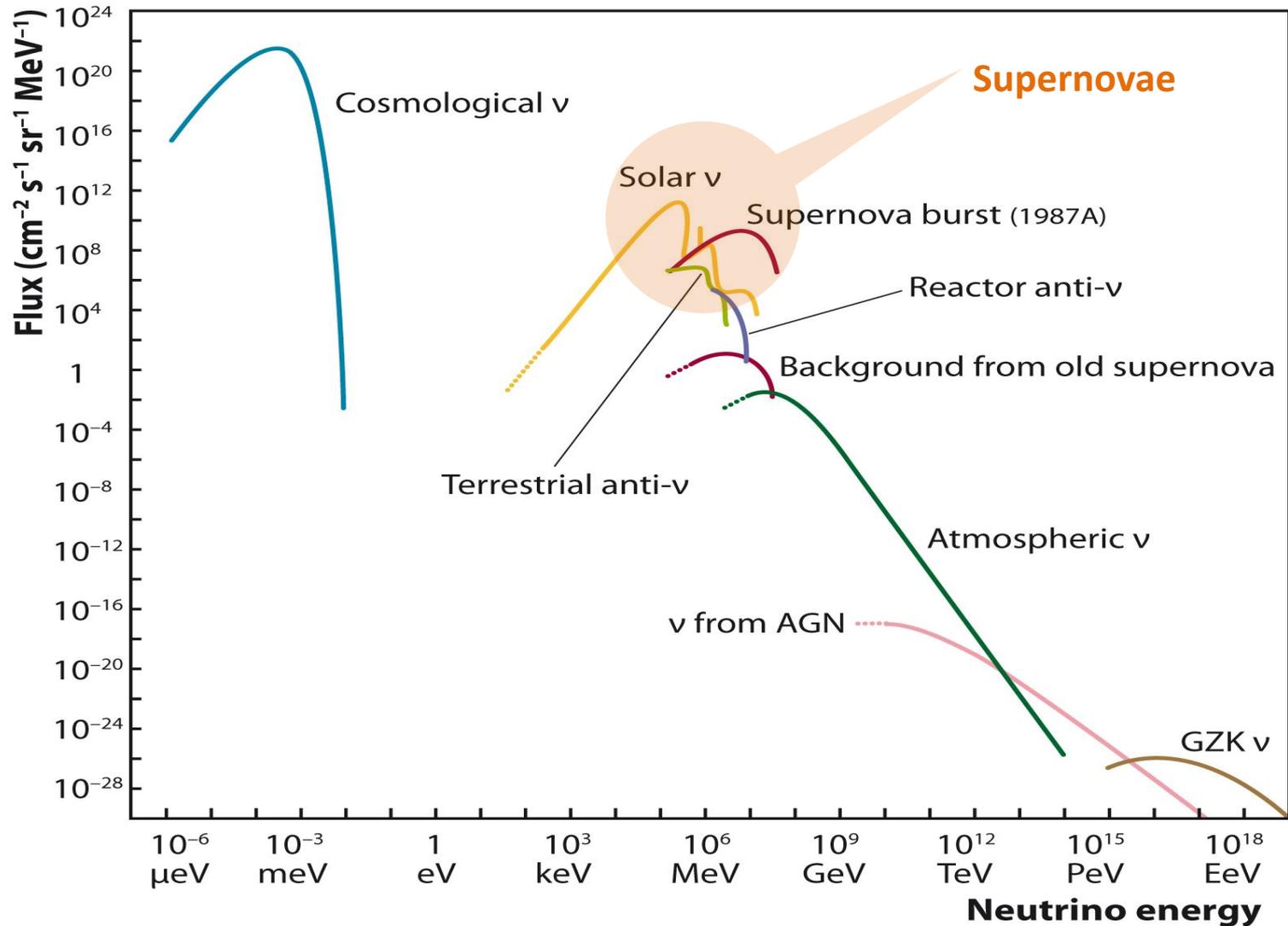
- ⊙ about 2 supernovae / 100 y in our galaxy (45% probability in 30 years)
- ⊙ energy release ( $R_{\text{core}}=10^6 \text{ m} \rightarrow R_{\text{NS}}=10^4 \text{ m}$ )

$$\Delta E = \frac{3}{5} \frac{GM_{\text{NS}}^2}{R_{\text{NS}}} - \frac{3}{5} \frac{GM_{\text{core}}^2}{R_{\text{core}}} \approx 2 \cdot 10^{59} \text{ MeV}$$

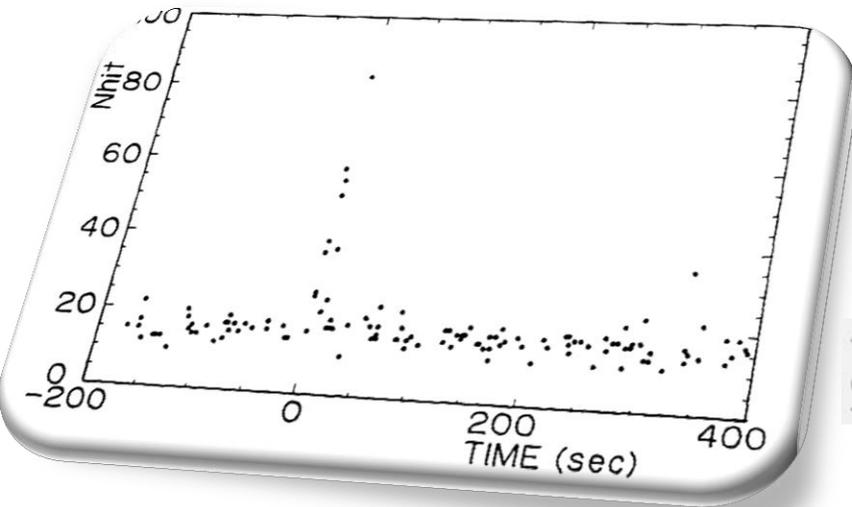
$$\begin{array}{l}
 \Delta E_{\nu} \approx \Delta E \quad (10^{58} \nu\text{'s}, \langle E \rangle \sim 15 \text{ MeV}) \\
 \Delta E_{\text{kin}} \approx 10^{-2} \Delta E \\
 \Delta E_{\text{em}} \approx 10^{-4} \Delta E
 \end{array}$$



# *Neutrinos in the sky*



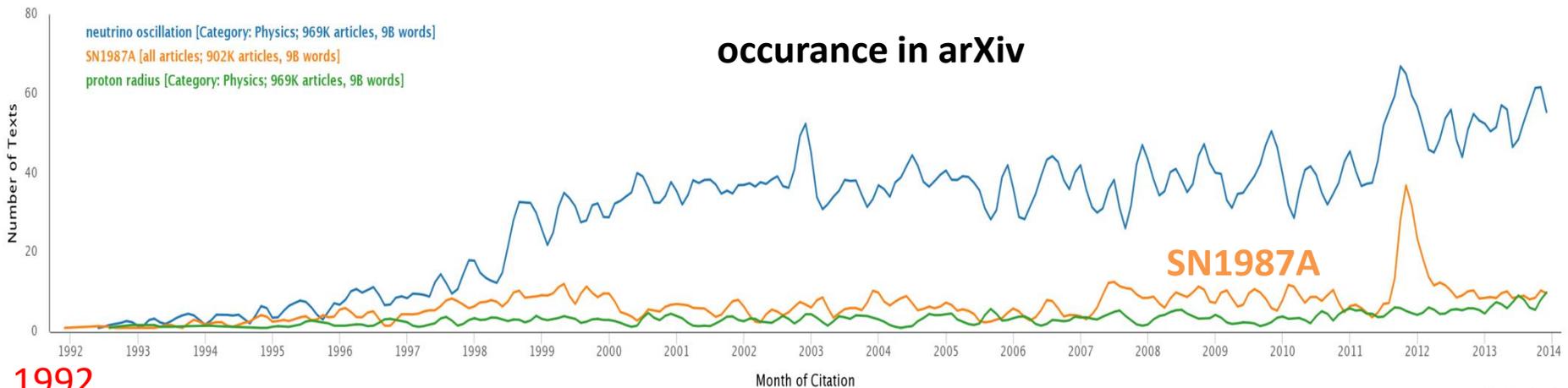
# Supernova 1987A



One of those lucky moments in physics ...

The supernova signal of the KAMIOKANDE-II experiment. It is a part of the laser printer output of the low energy raw data. Nhit is the number of hit photomultipliers.

Only two dozen neutrinos detected in 1987: still publications appearing!

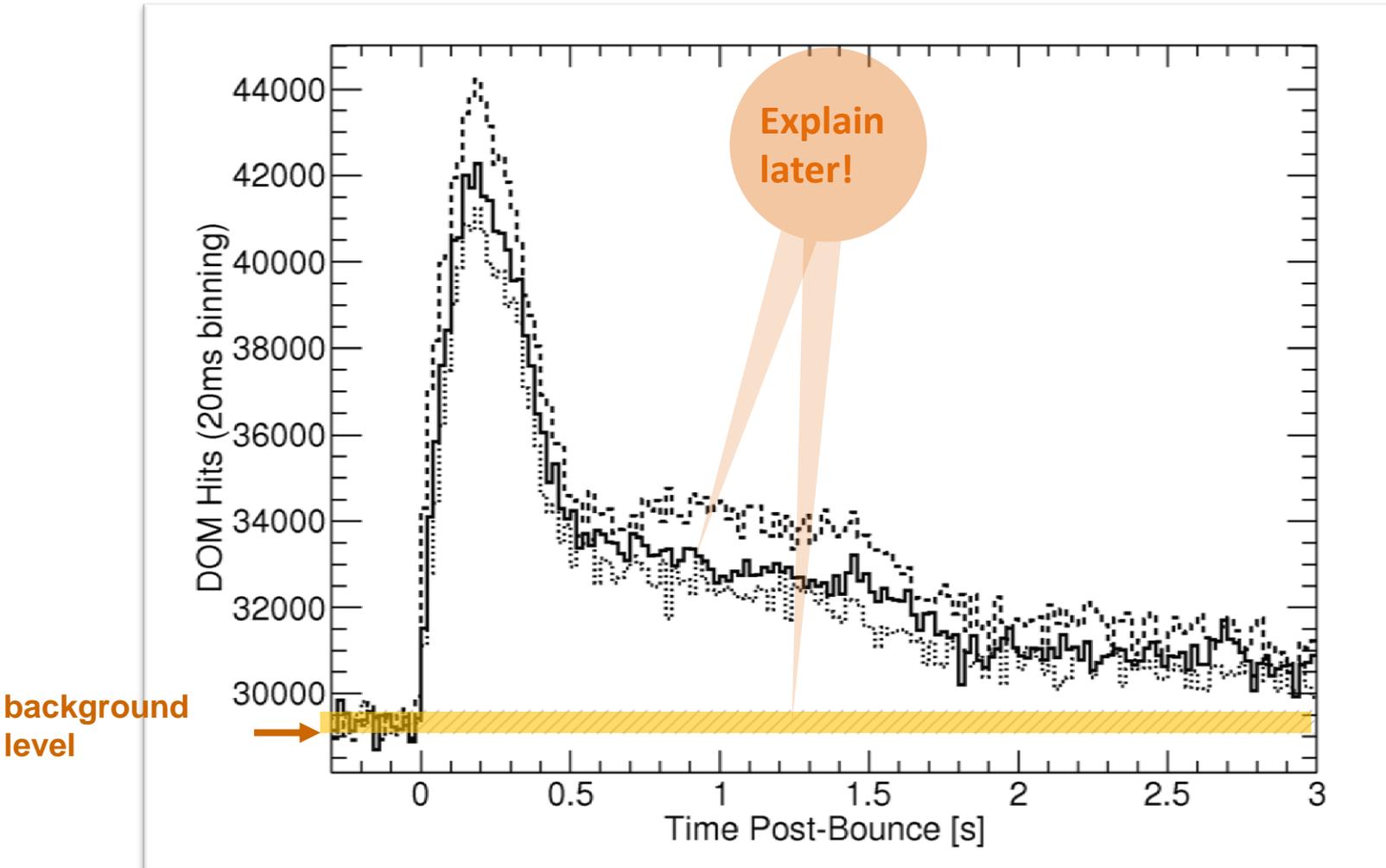


1992

2014

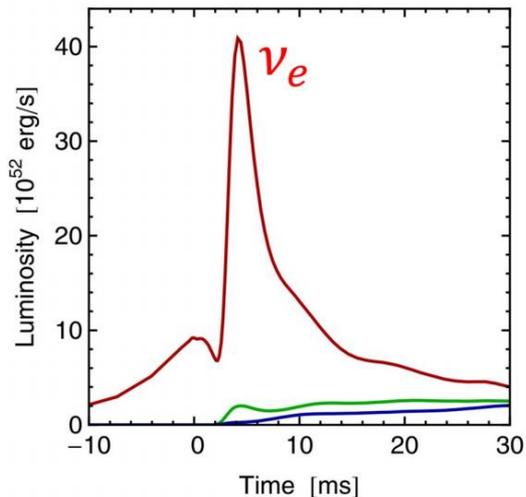
# Preview IceCube

700,000 registered photons for SN at galactic center!



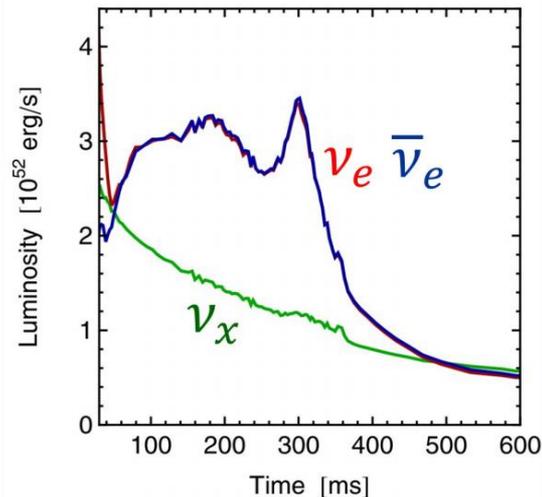
# Three phases ...

## Prompt $\nu_e$ burst



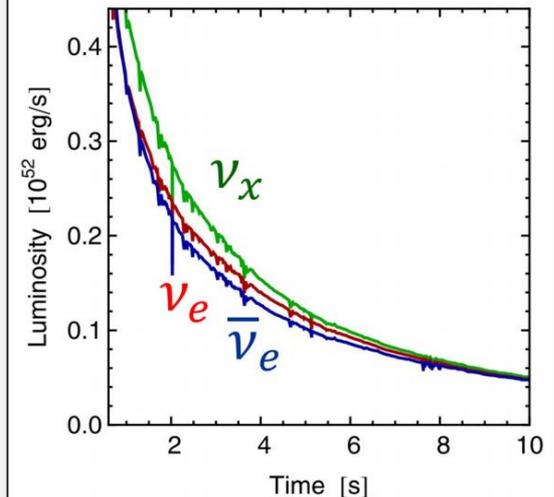
Shock breakout - outer core de-leptonization

## Accretion



Shock stalls at  $\sim 150$  km  
Infalling matter powers  $\nu$ 's

## Cooling

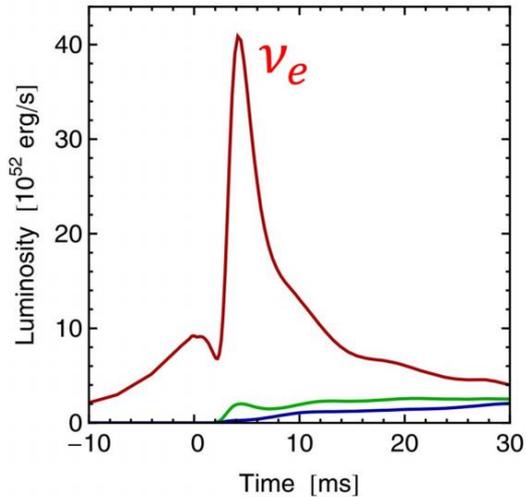


Cooling  $\propto \nu$  diffusion time scale

Spherically symmetric  $10.8 M_{\odot}$  model, explosion triggered by enhanced CC cross section  
Fischer et al. A&A 517:A80, 2010

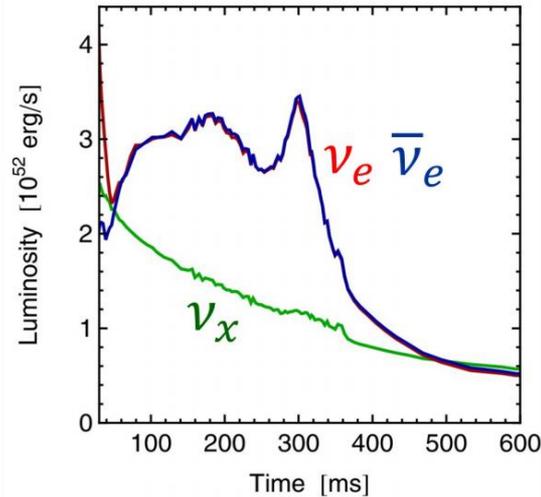
# *.. three phases*

## Prompt $\nu_e$ burst



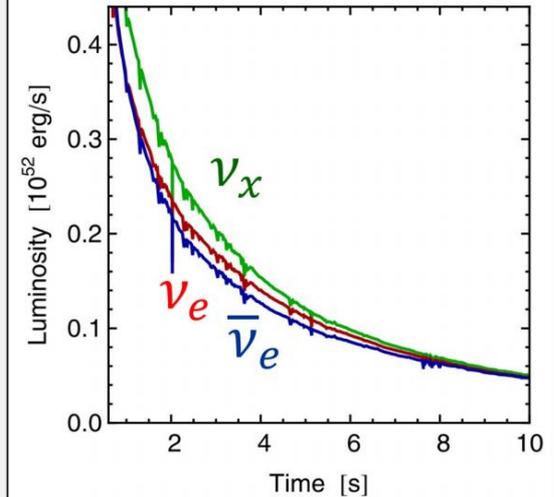
$\nu_e$  signal independent on SN mass and equation of state (EOS)

## Accretion



Strongly varying signal (mass, 3D, EOS)

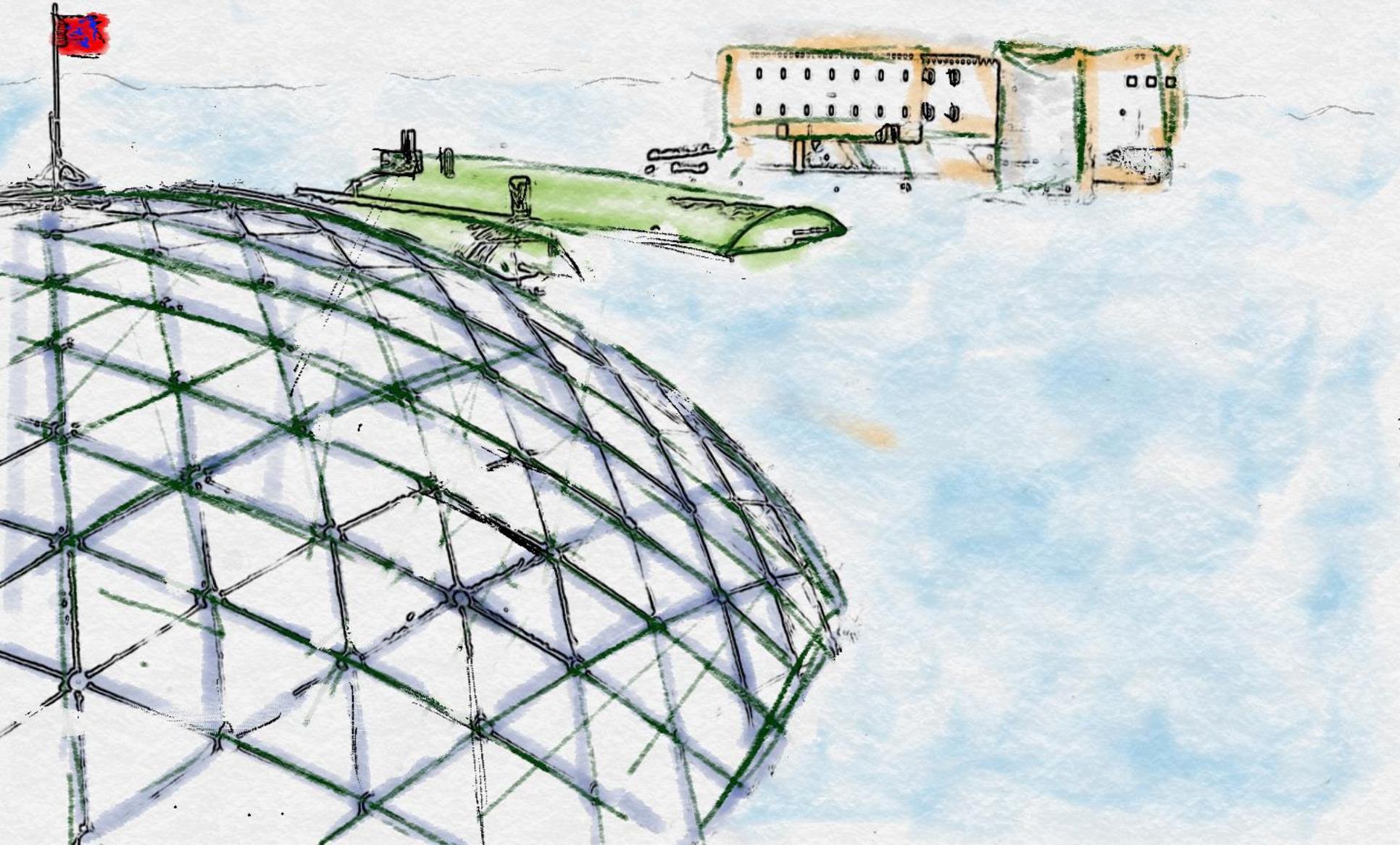
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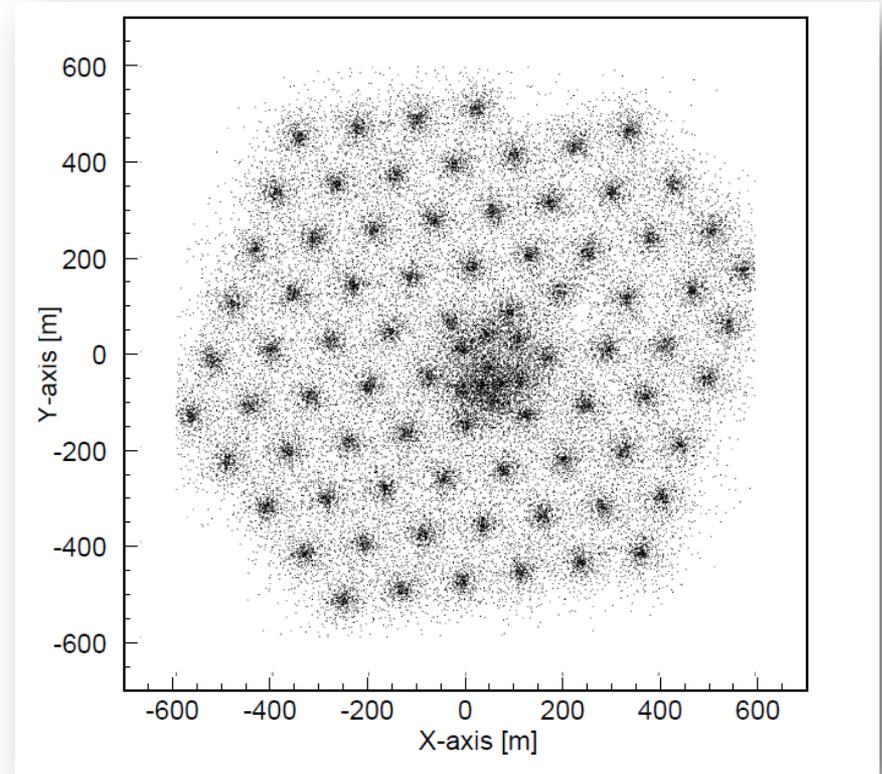
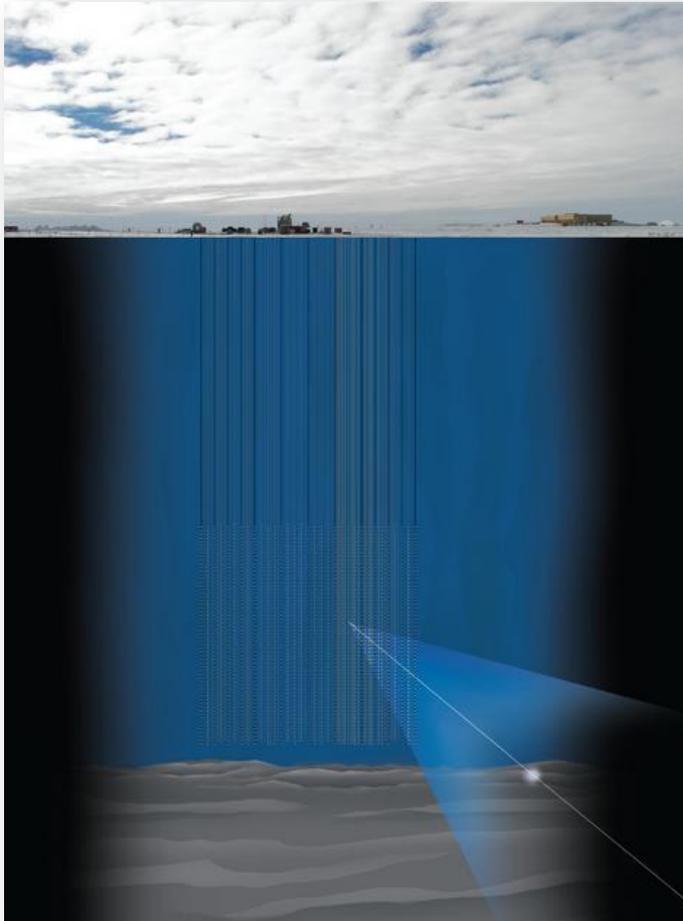
Mass and EOS dependence

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# *Supernovae at South Pole*



# *SN neutrinos in IceCube*



Interaction vertices all hits  
~600 m<sup>3</sup> effective volume/sensor

**For O(10 MeV)  $\nu$ 's, IceCube counts single photons on top of dark rate background**

# One page supernova $\nu$ detection

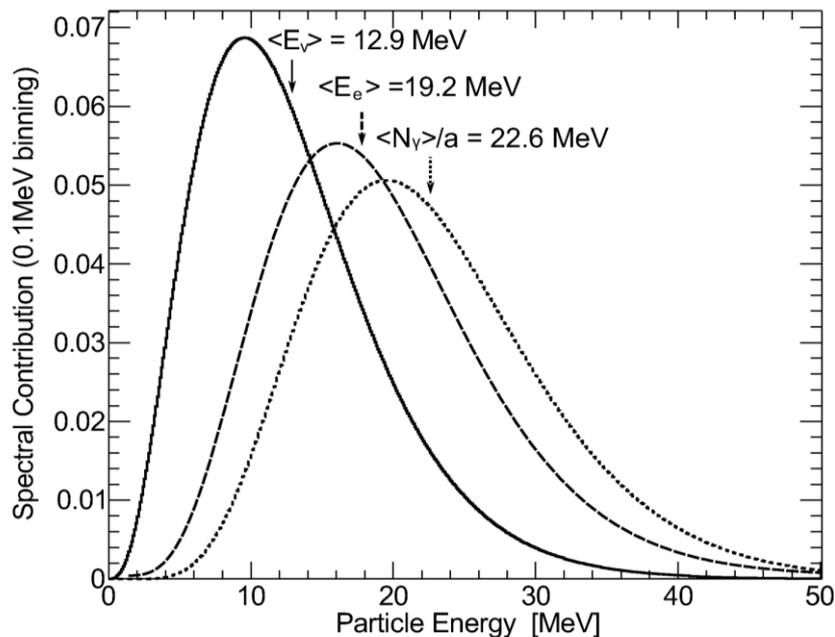
dominant reaction:  $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$

cross section:  $\propto E_\nu^2$  (count events)

# Cherenkov  $\gamma$ 's:  $\propto E_\nu^3$  (count  $\gamma$ 's)

$e^+$  track length  $\sim 0.56 \text{ cm} \times E_{e^+} \text{ (MeV)}$

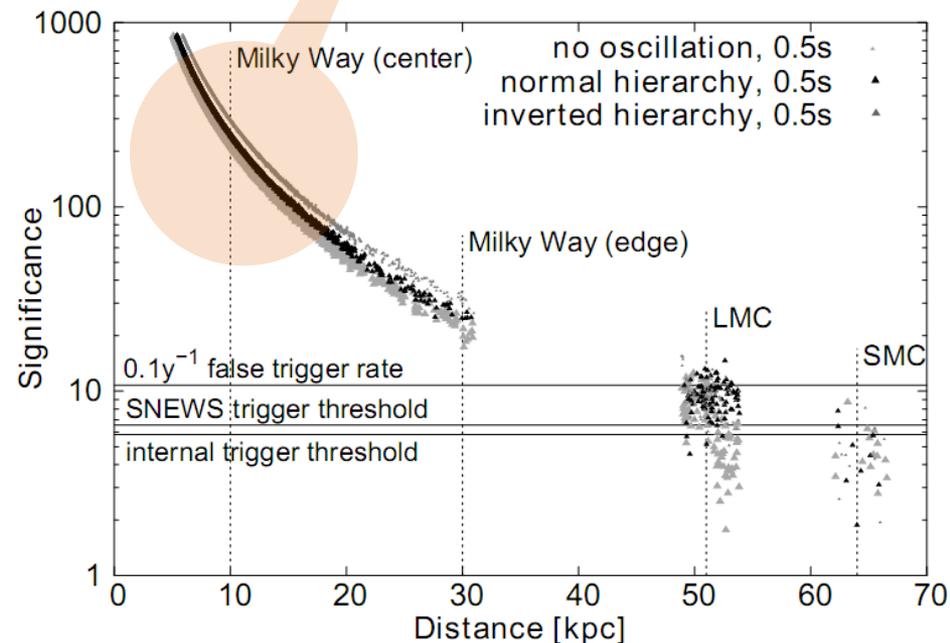
$N_\gamma^{300-600\text{nm}} \sim 180 \times E_{e^+} \text{ (MeV)}$



cold and inert ice: dark rate  $\sim 500 \text{ Hz}$

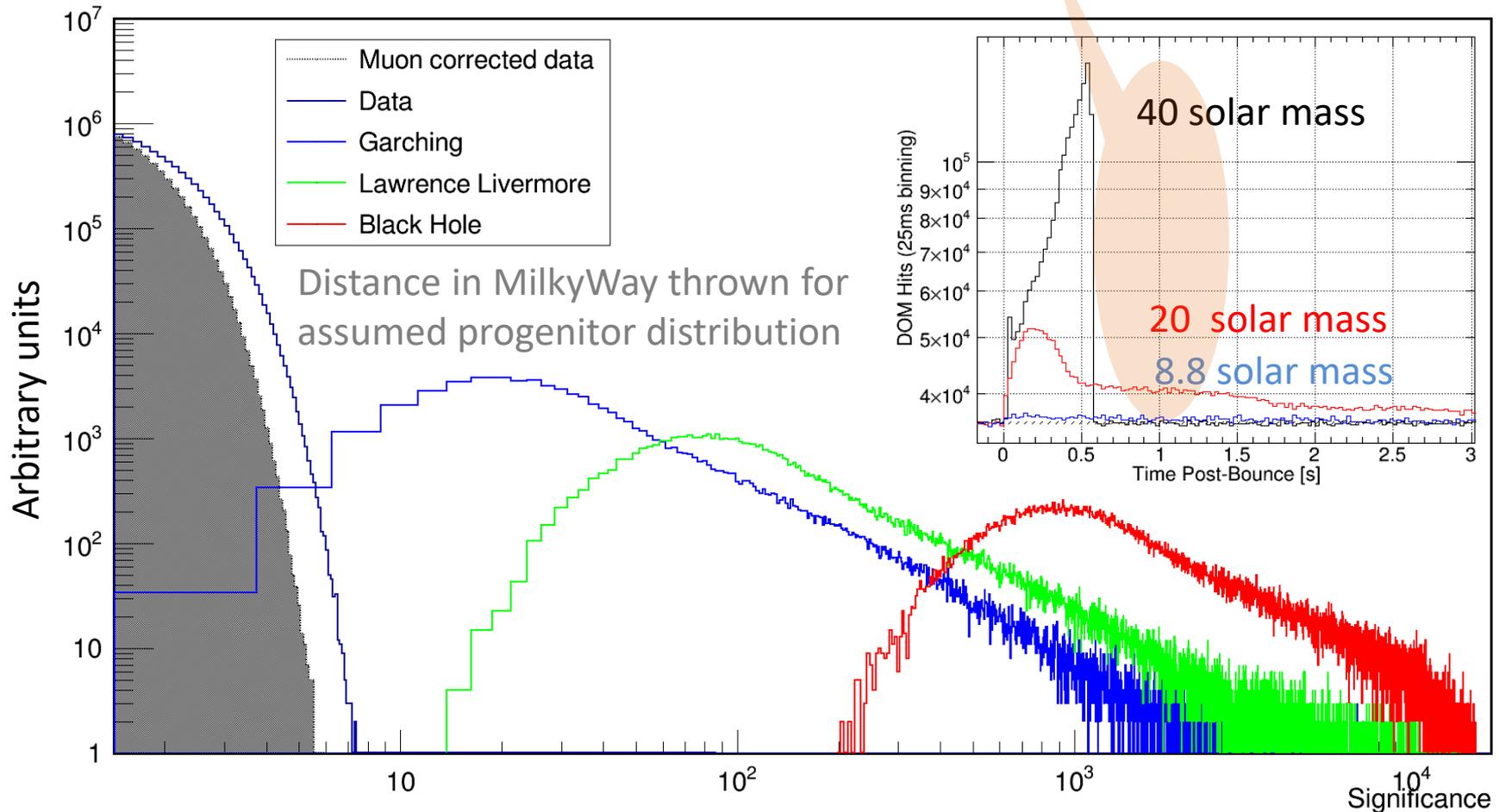
look for excess signal in 5160 sensors  
calculate significance:

*world's highest  
statistical accuracy ...*



# *SN detection capability*

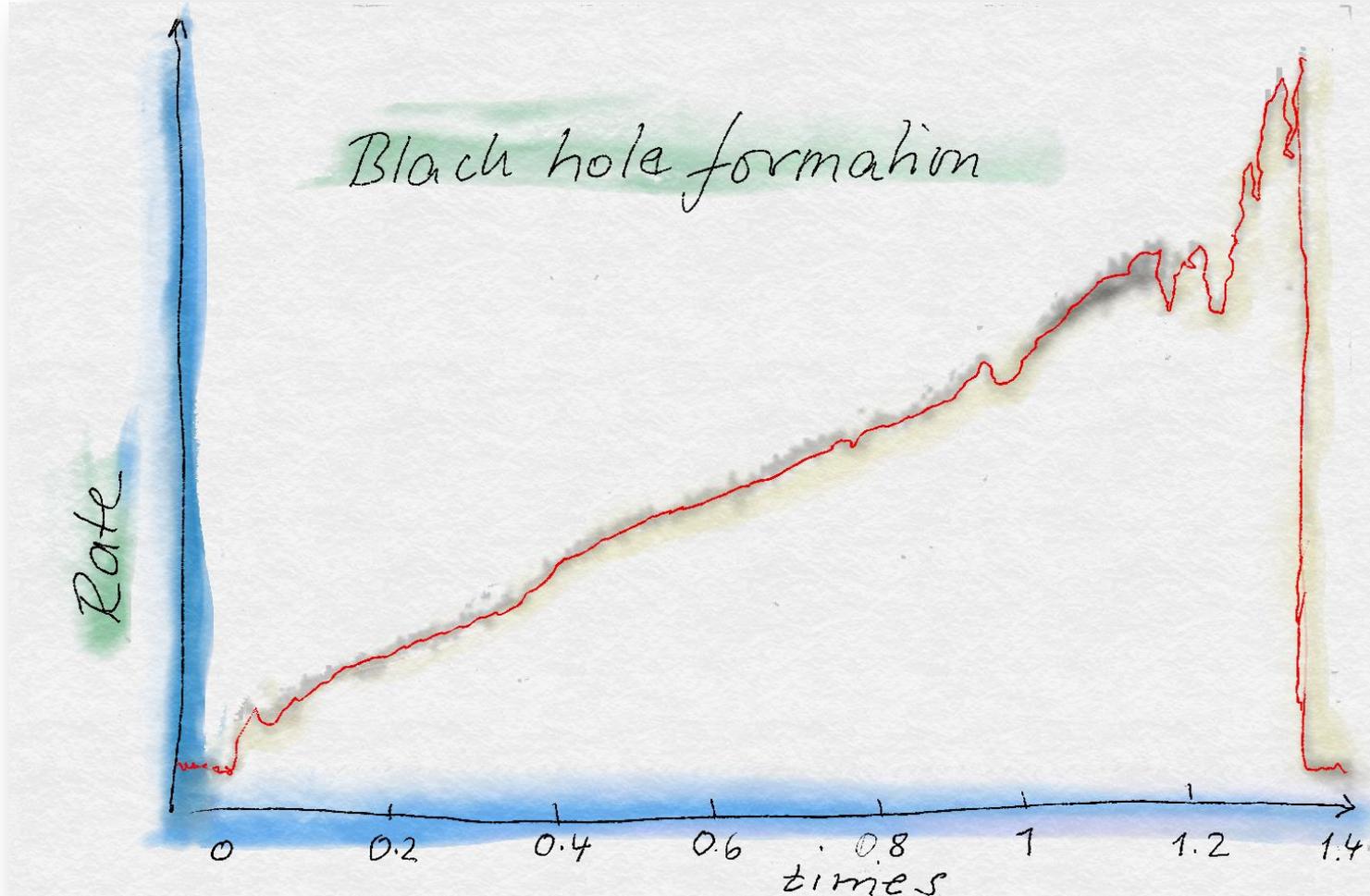
*Large variation between models (progenitor mass, neutrino energies)*



⊗ Only for lightest **progenitor** some overlap with dark noise

⊗ Cosmic muon corrected data helpful for SN outside of central galaxy and trigger stability

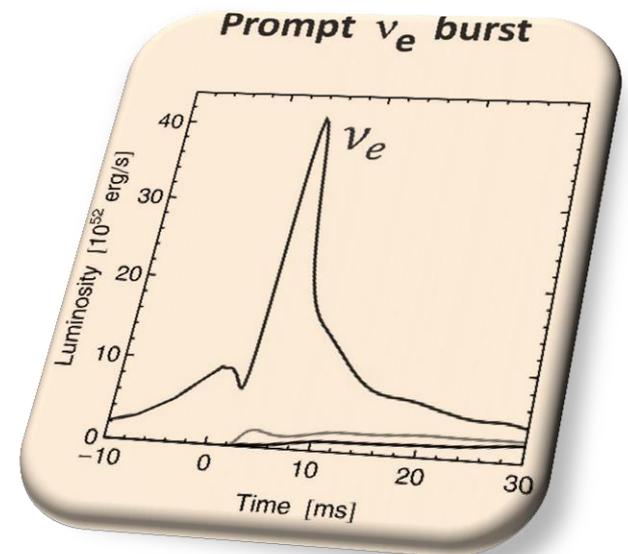
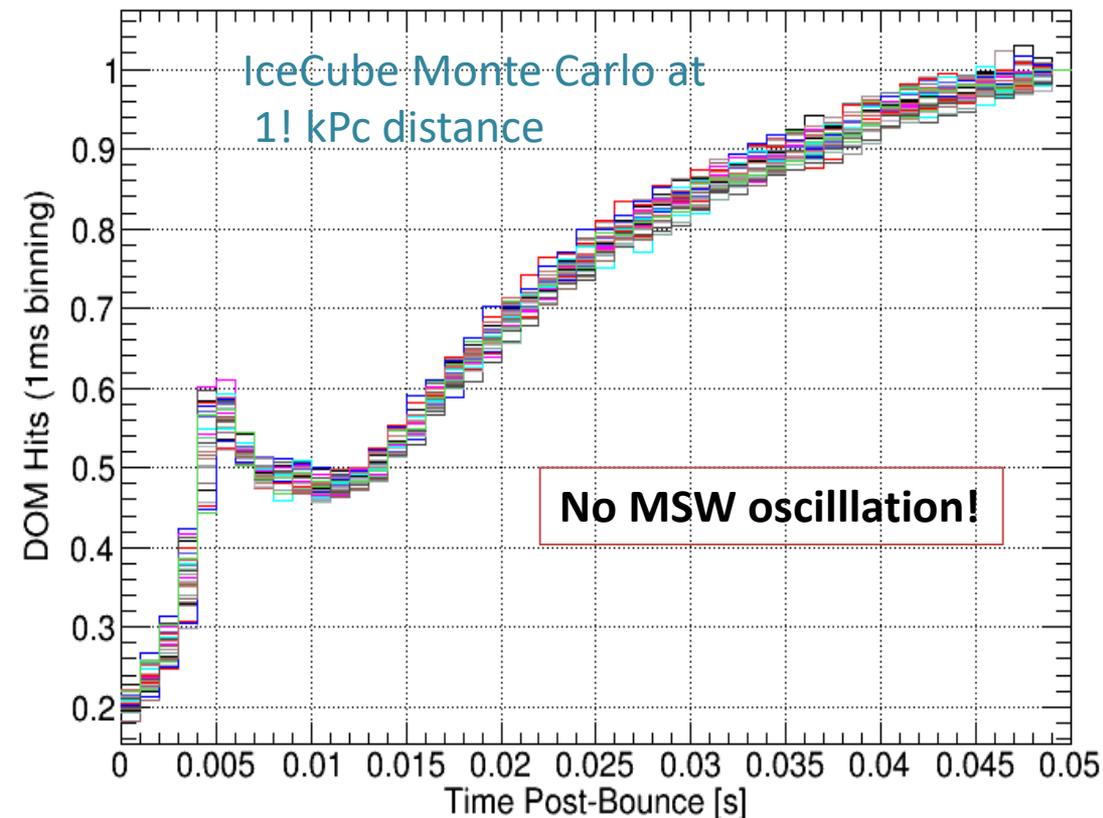
# *Neutrino lightcurve*



# Supernova breakout burst

E.O'Conner, Ott , ApJ 762, 126 (2013) Latimer-Swesty EOS: 32 1D models with progenitor masses between 12-120  $M_{\odot}$

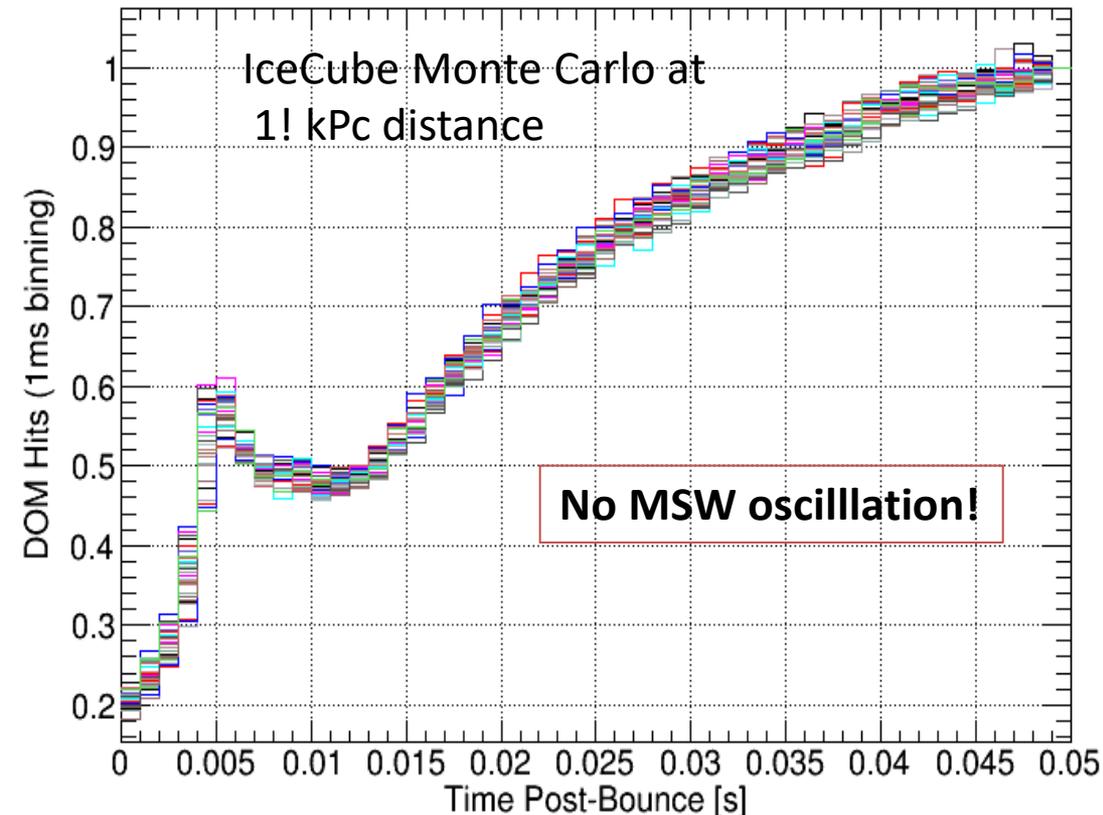
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Unfortunately, water has small cross section for  $\nu_e$

Other media are better for  $\nu_e$ :

**@20 MeV:**

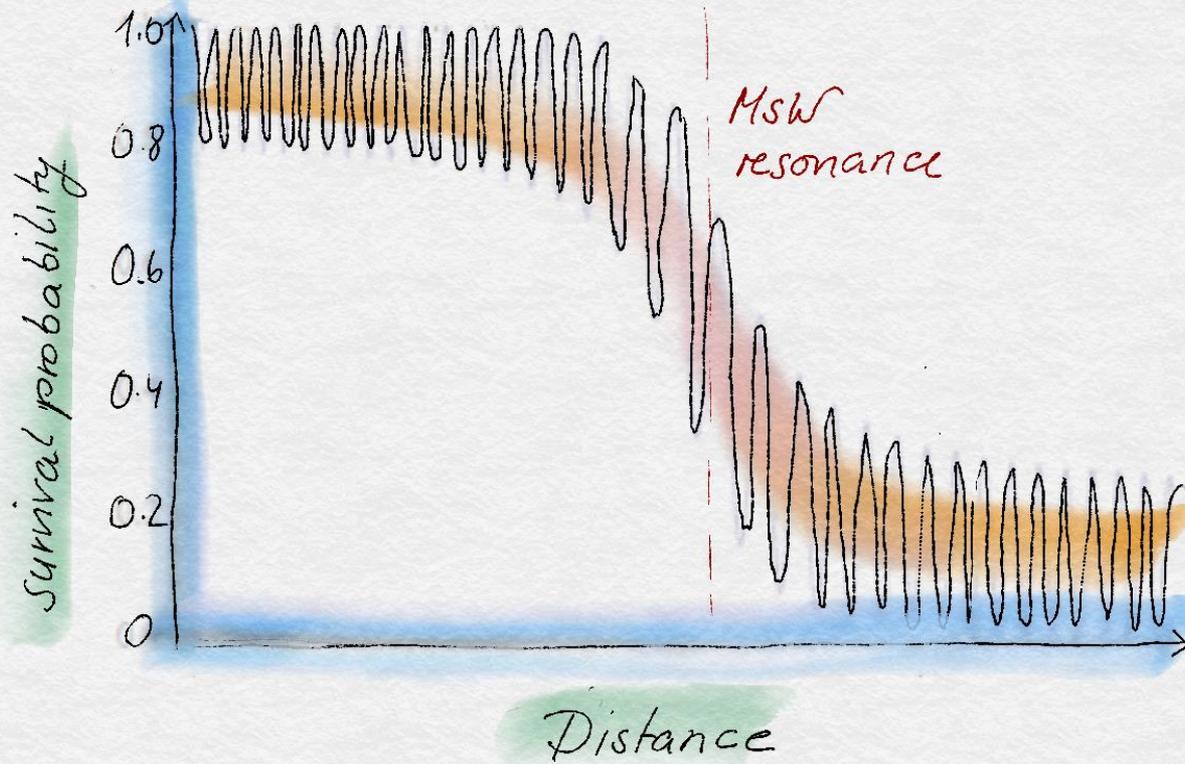
$$\sigma(\nu_e + {}^{40}\text{Ar}) \sim 200 \times \sigma(\nu_e + e^-)$$

$$\sim 80 \times \sigma(\nu_e + \text{C})$$

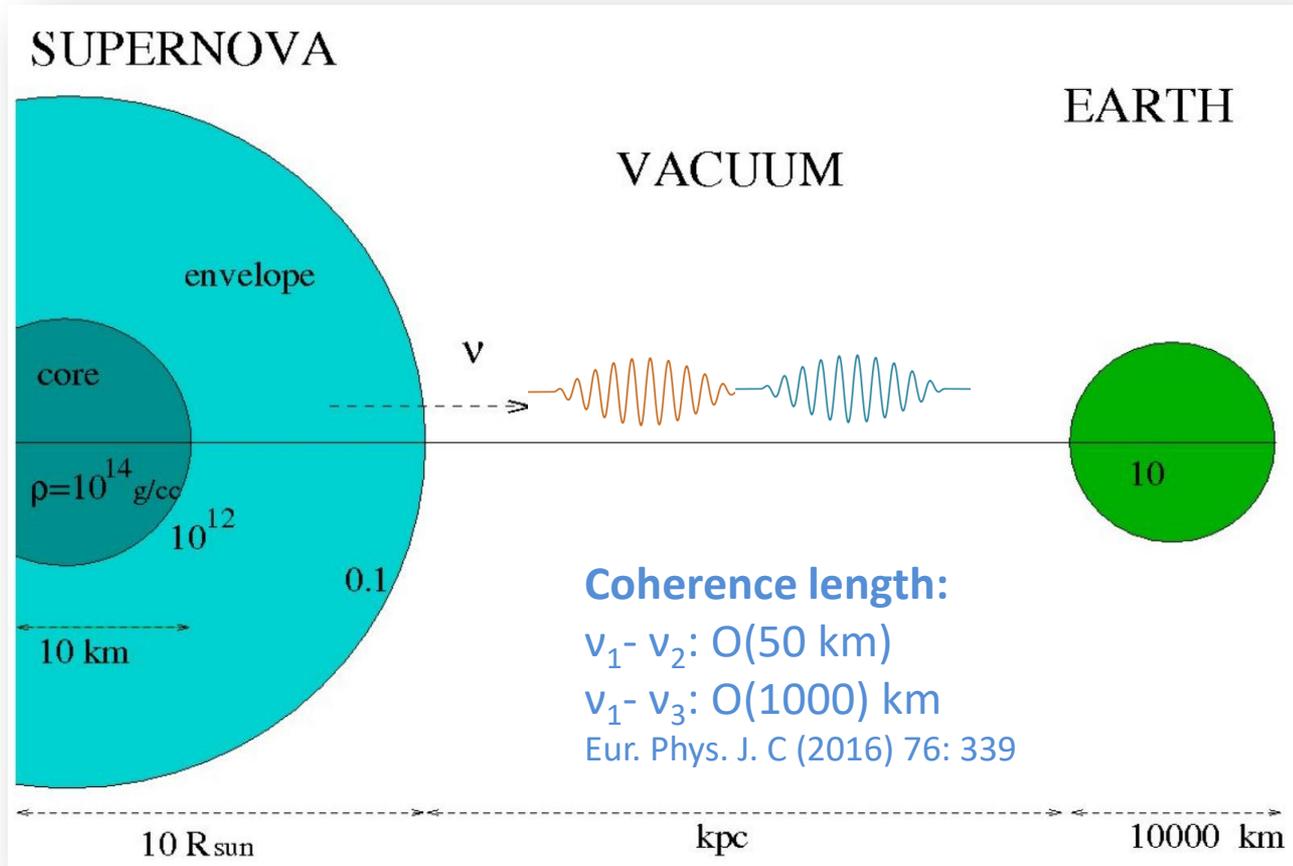
$$\sim 2 \times \sigma(\bar{\nu}_e + p)$$

*however, physics is not very kind to us ...*

# Oscillations



# *A word on neutrino oscillations*



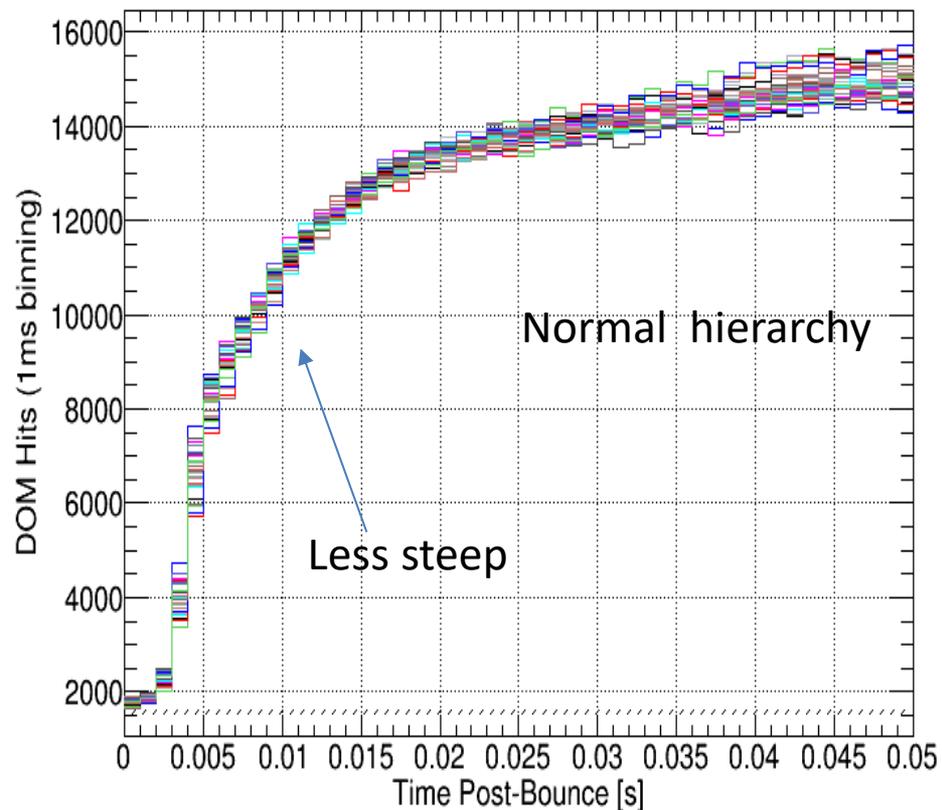
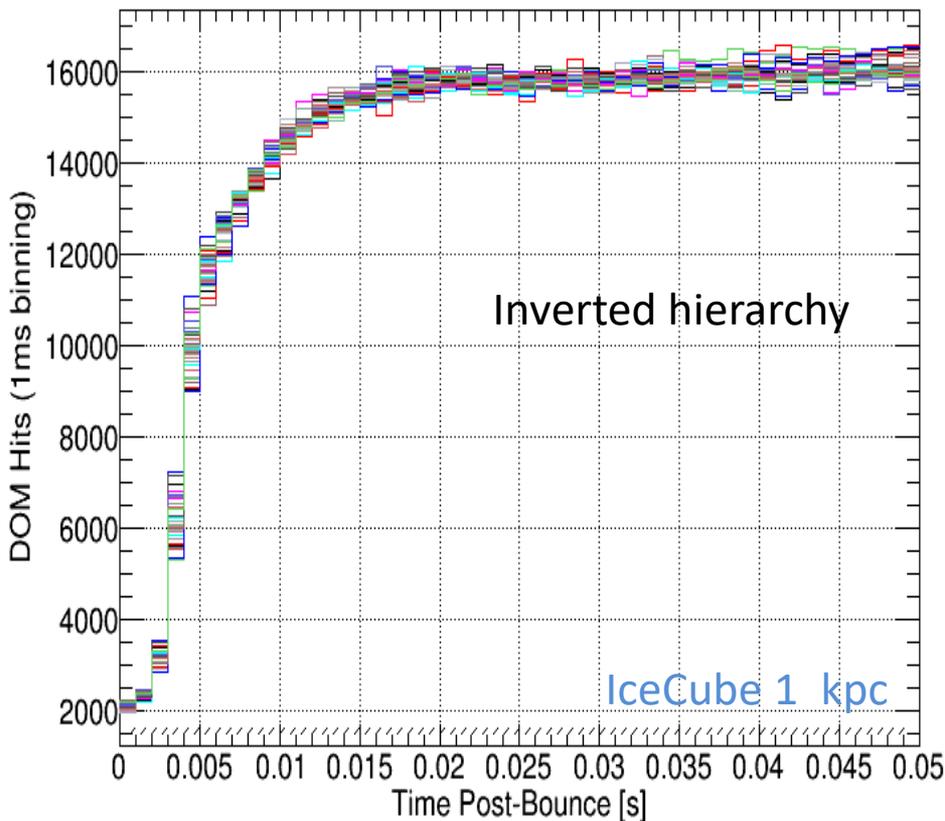
**Inside SN:**  
„ $\nu\nu$ “ interactions &  
MSW matter effect

**Between SN and Earth:**  
no flavor conversion  
 $\nu_i$  travel **independently**

**In Earth:**  
MSW matter  
effects

# Supernova breakout burst

unfortunately, delectronization peak disappears, when MSW oscillations are taken into account

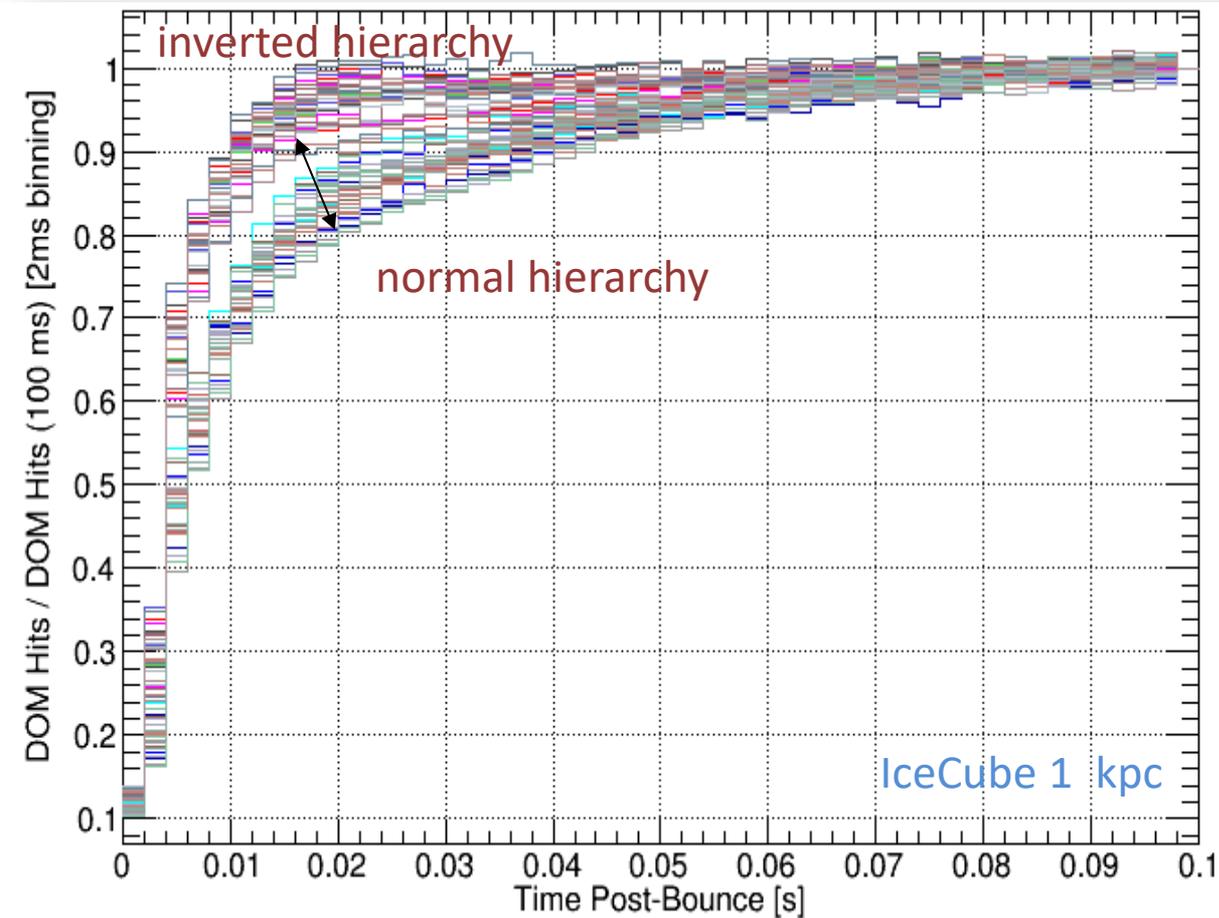


**Ideal: detector sensitive to  $\nu_e$ , e.g. Argon (DUNE)**  
1608.07853

**Positive news:**  
rising edge progenitor insensitive!

# *Rising edge is robust!*

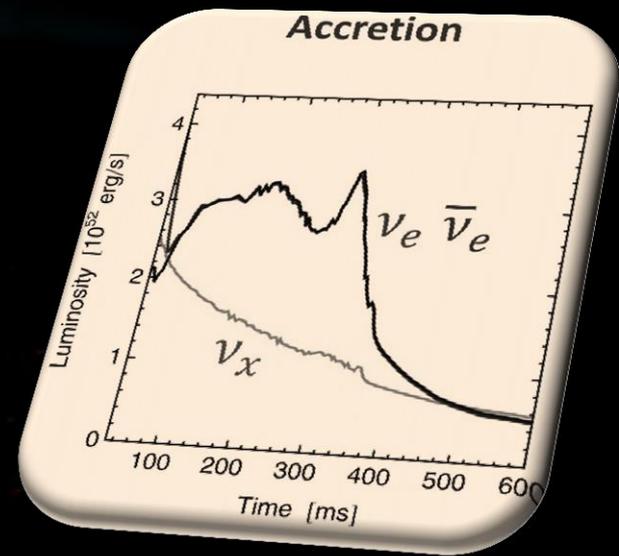
*Clear shape difference between hierarchies with little progenitor mass dependence*



Many papers on „robust“  
methods to determine  
mass ordering:

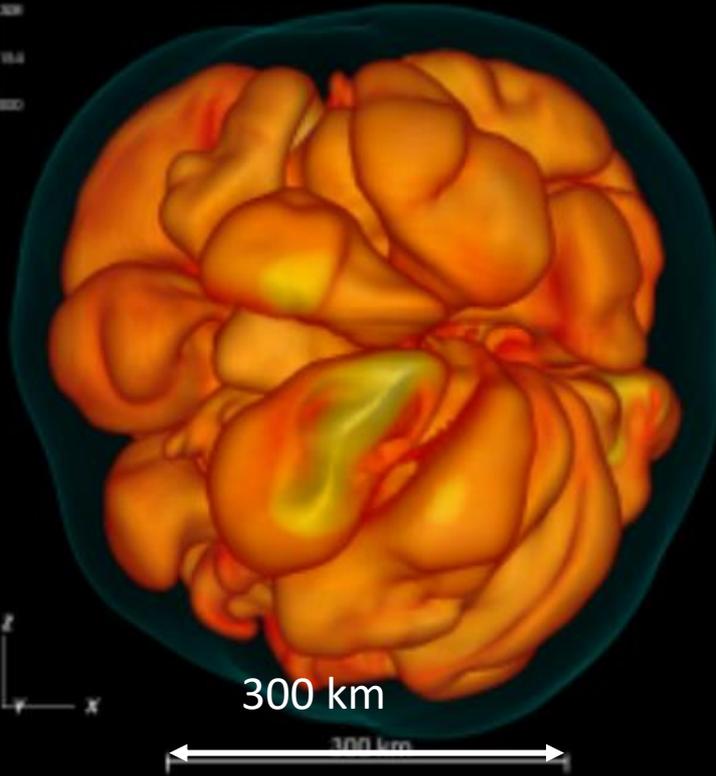
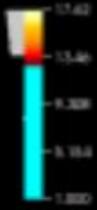
arXiv:1603.0692, 1509.07342,  
1406.2584, 1312.4262,  
1111.4483 ...

**Inverted hierarchy: faster rise!**

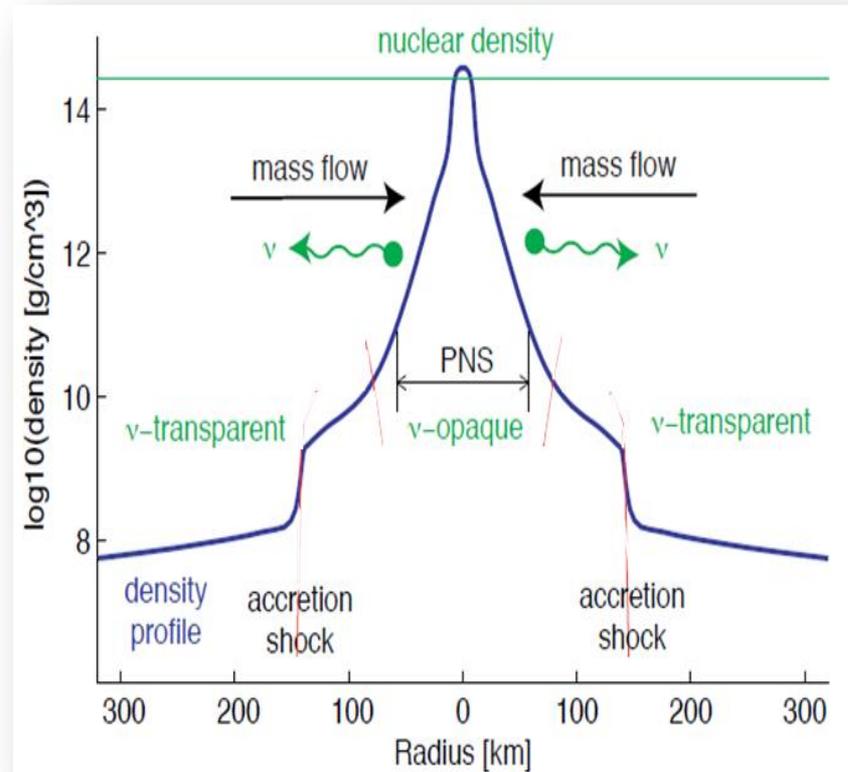


165 ms

# 3D Effects



# Radial density @ 100 ms



Infall terminates by accretion shock

→ ~ 150 km, almost stationary

Large density contrast: PNS and hot mantle

*How can material between PNS and accretion shock expand again rapidly?*

**Prevailing Theory:**  $\nu$  driven delayed supernova ...

1D: Not sufficient to drive symmetric explosion ...

2D: explosion only for low-mass stars ...

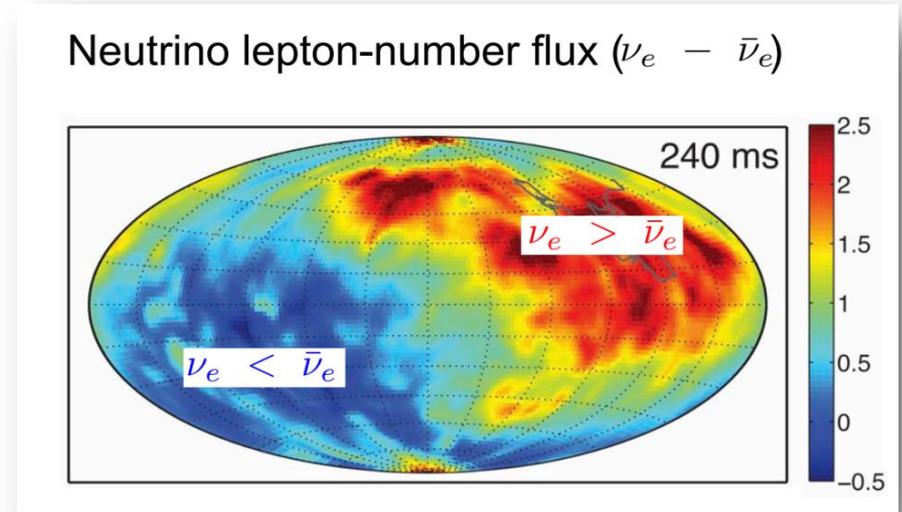
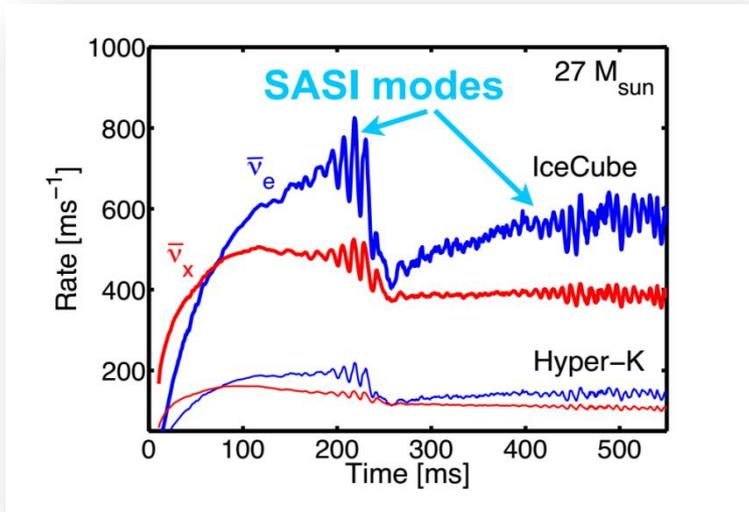
3D: Convective bubble: explosion is small surface instability effect ....

**2016:** explosion still not fully understood!

Liebendörfer et al.

*Interesting effects in 3D (convection, SASI, LESA), details important ...  
Garching, Oak-Ridge: rigorous neutrino transport and microphysics*

# 2 interesting 3D effects ...



Irene Tamborra, Neutrino 2016

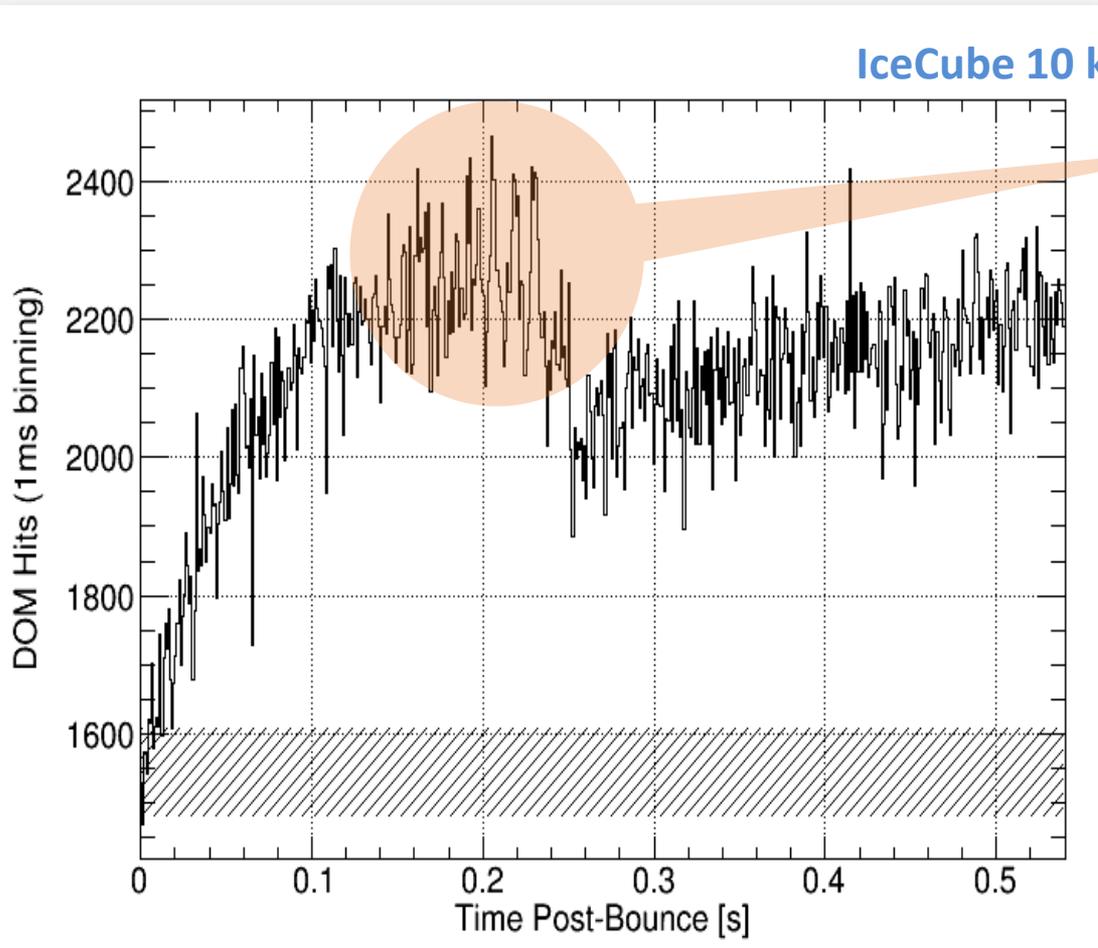
„standing accretion shock instability“  
**(SASI)** leaves imprint on neutrino  
and gravitational wave signals

Lepton-number emission asymmetry  
**(LESA)** has implications for oscillations,  
nucleosynthesis and neutron star kicks

*well, this is a theoretician's view ...*

# *Standing accretion shocks*

Tamborra et al, Phys. Rev. D.90, 045032 (2014), 27 solar mass  $\rightarrow$  looking at „LESA“ direction



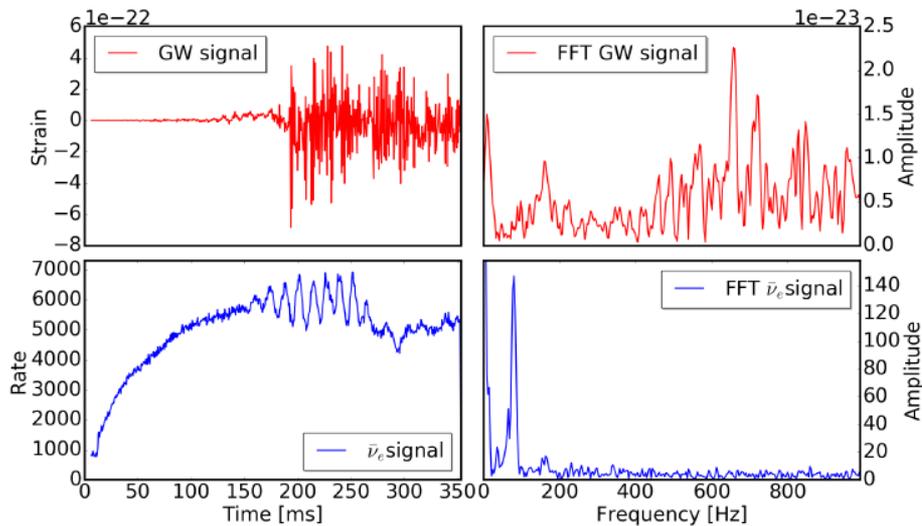
Neutrino imprint of accretion shocks



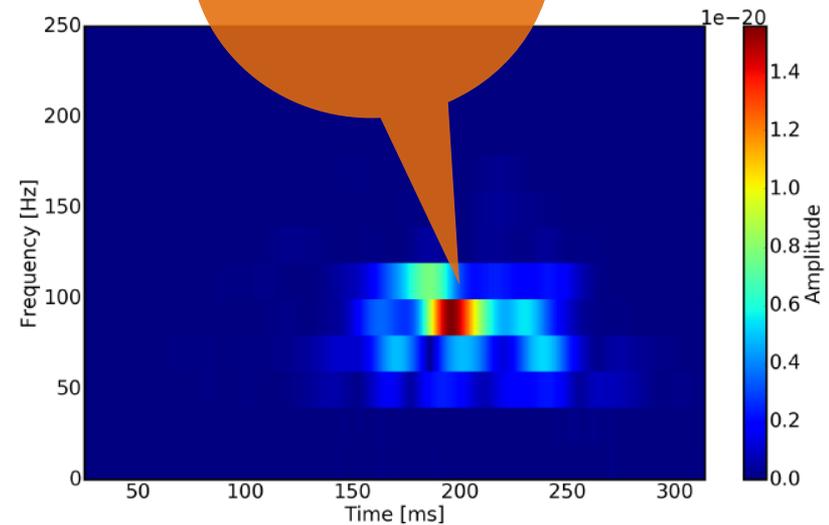
# Compare with GW signal?

Time domain

frequency domain



Cross correlation



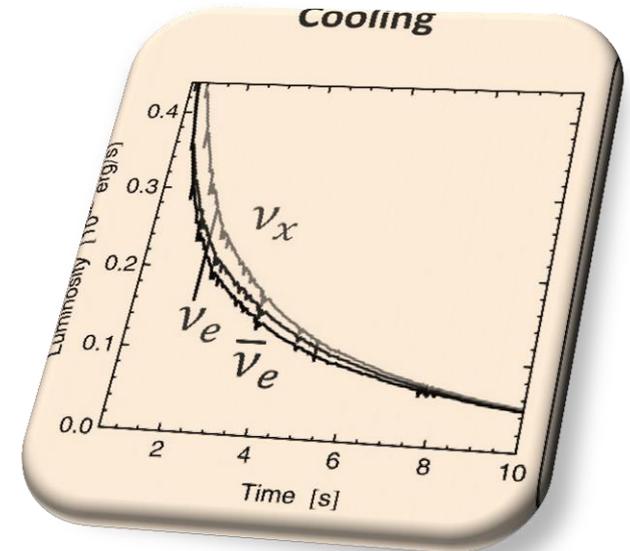
- See SASI signal at twice the frequency in gravitational waves (GW)
- Supernova signatures in GW weak and model dependent (quadrupole mass deformations)

# Cooling Phase

[PhysRevLett.104.251101](#), A&A 517, A80 (2010)

$$L_\nu \approx 0.74 \times 10^{35} \cdot \phi \cdot \langle \epsilon_\nu \rangle^4 \frac{R^2}{1 - 2 \frac{G \cdot M}{Rc^2}} \left[ \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{cm}^2 \text{s}} \right]$$

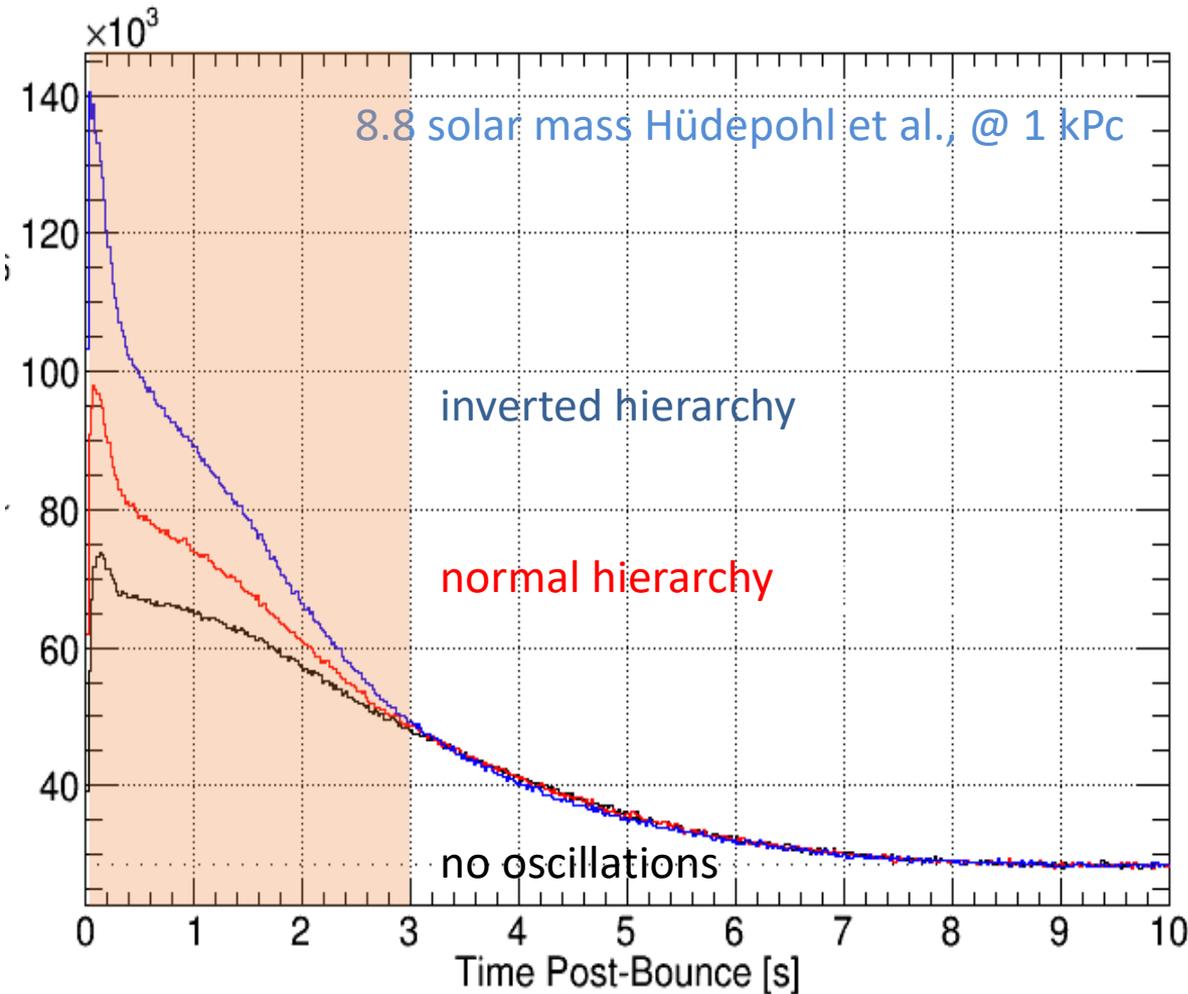
$$E_\nu^{\text{total}} \approx \frac{0.6 \frac{GM^2}{R}}{1 - \frac{GM}{2Rc^2}} \quad R : \text{PNS radius @ } 10^{11} \text{ g/cm}^3$$



- ⊙ Almost perfect luminosity equipartition
- ⊙ Little EOS dependence
- ⊙ Cooling strongly affected by particles that may evaporate !

*In principle can calculate  $R$  and  $M(\text{PNS})$  from  $\nu$  light curve*

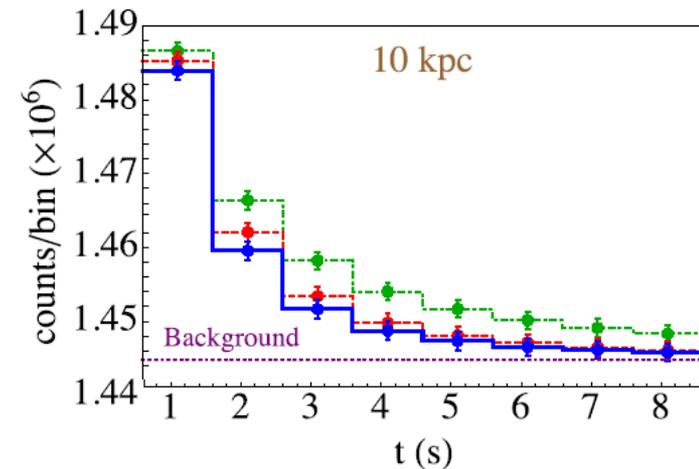
# ... Cooling phase



For  $t > 3$  s:  $v_e$ ,  $v_{e\text{-bar}}$ ,  $v_x$  fluxes and energy spectra very similar

## Effect of axions:

Fischer et al. Phys. Rev. D 94, 085012 (2016) → IceCube 10 kpc



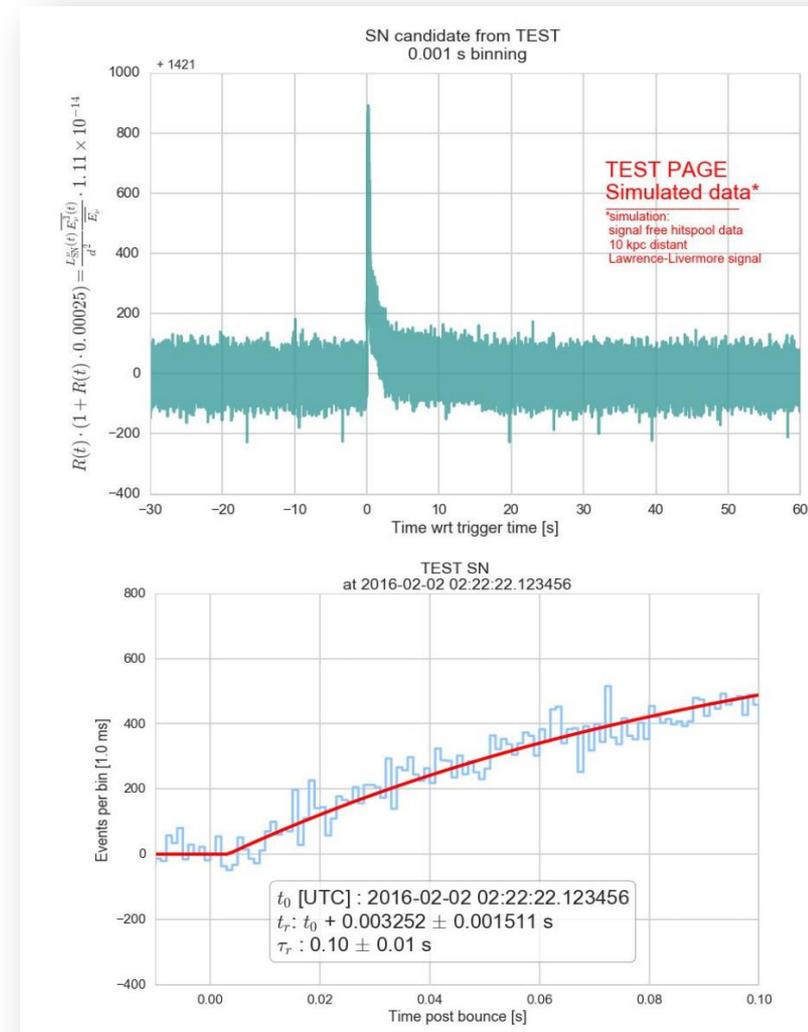
**But:** Horowitz et al. „Nuclear Pasta?“ <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1611.10226.pdf>  
enhances flux due to rearranged tube (spagetti) or sheets (lasagne) at  $10^{14}$  g/cm<sup>2</sup>

# Hitspooling

- Ⓢ retrieval of **all** buffered hits with  $O(10 \text{ ns})$  timing for adjustable time span
- Ⓢ (partly) automatic transfer and analysis

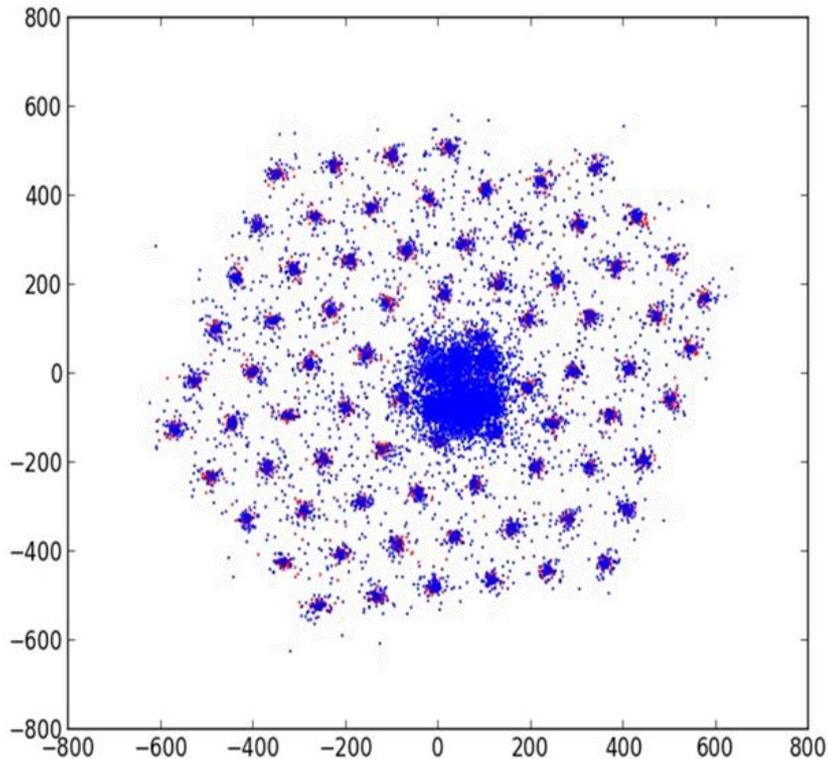
## Advantage for SN search:

- Ⓢ Fine temporal structures
- Ⓢ Precision burst onset time
- Ⓢ Safety net for very close supernovae (e.g. Betelgeuze!), which may „kill DAQ“
- Ⓢ **Coincidences between moduls**
- Ⓢ etc.

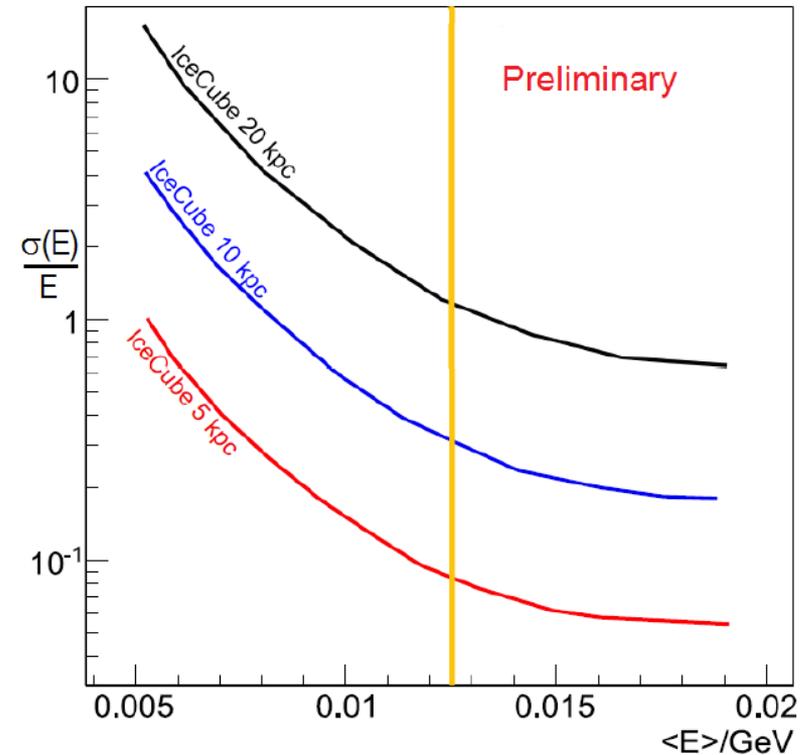


# Exploiting coincidences ...

hits in several sensors (only 0.25%)



resolution on average neutrino energy

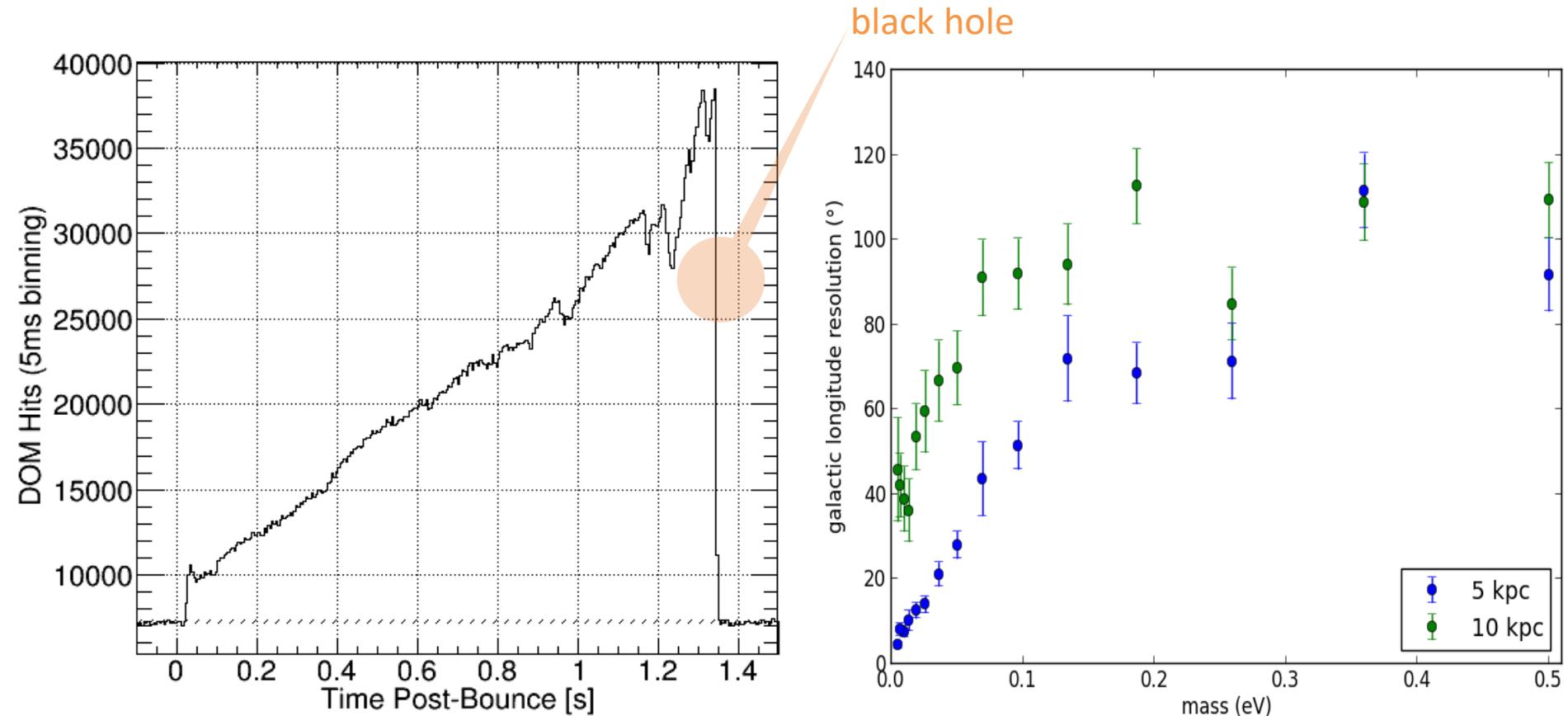


*denser detector (DeepCore) helps!*

Double/single rate  $\approx E_\nu$

# *Black hole forming SNe*

Not really rare: Death watch“: 4 successful core collapses, 1 failed (arXiv:1411.1761)  
Likelihood fit on time arrival pattern → some pointing information



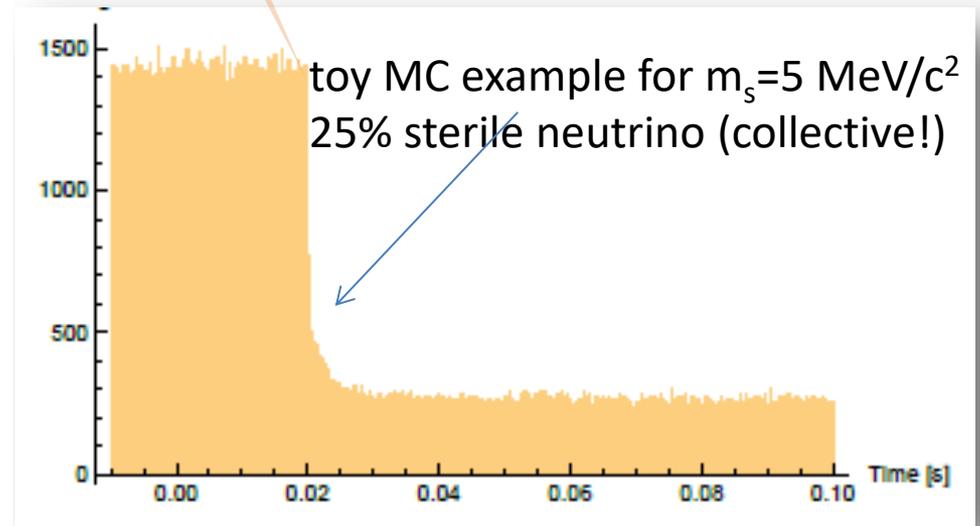
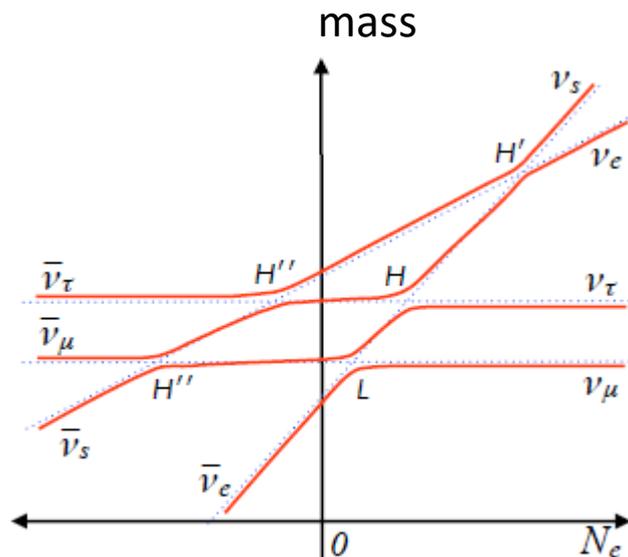
**Would gain strongly from several distant stations !**

# Sterile neutrinos

Use mass induced time delay in black hole forming supernovae:  $\Delta t \propto \frac{m_\nu^2}{E_\nu^2} \cdot \text{distance}$

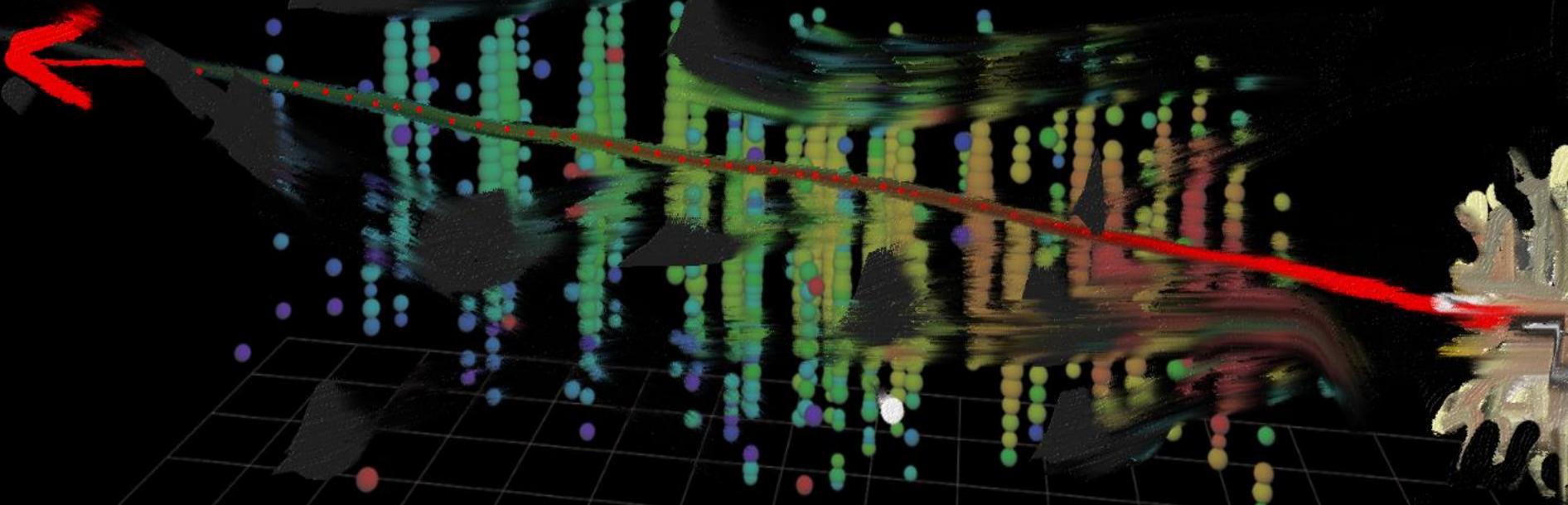
$$F_{\bar{\nu}_e}(E_\nu, t) \approx \bar{c}_{ee} F_{\bar{\nu}_e}^0(E_\nu, t) + |U_{ei}|^2 F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0(E_\nu, t) + |U_{e4}|^2 F_{\bar{\nu}_x}^0\left(E_\nu, t - \frac{D}{2c} \left(\frac{m_4}{E_\nu}\right)^2\right) \quad i=2,3 \text{ for IH or NH}$$

Example normal hierarchy:

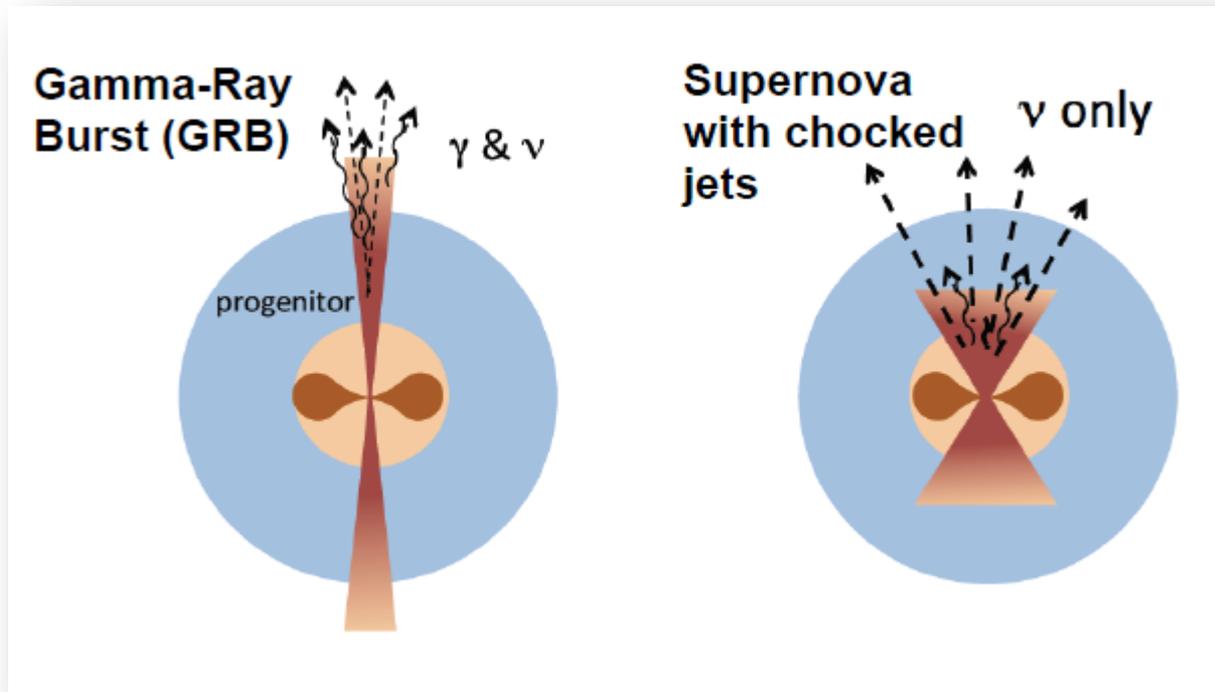


...for sufficiently high mixing angles masses and mixing well fitted

High energy  $\nu$ 's



# *High energy neutrinos in core collapse supernovae*



## **Choked jet scenario:**

- Ⓢ Jets die out in outer shell
- Ⓢ Similar to Gamma-Ray Bursts without  $\gamma$  !
- Ⓢ High energy  $\nu$ 's in second time scales

# IceCube alert !

One of many IceCube alert systems that are sent out to the community ...

IceCube-160427A

TITLE: GCN CIRCULAR

NUMBER: 19363

SUBJECT: ICECUBE-160427A neutrino candidate event: updated direction information

DATE: 16/04/29 16:29:47 GMT

FROM: Erik Blaufuss at U. Maryland/IceCube <[blaufuss@icecube.umd.edu](mailto:blaufuss@icecube.umd.edu)>

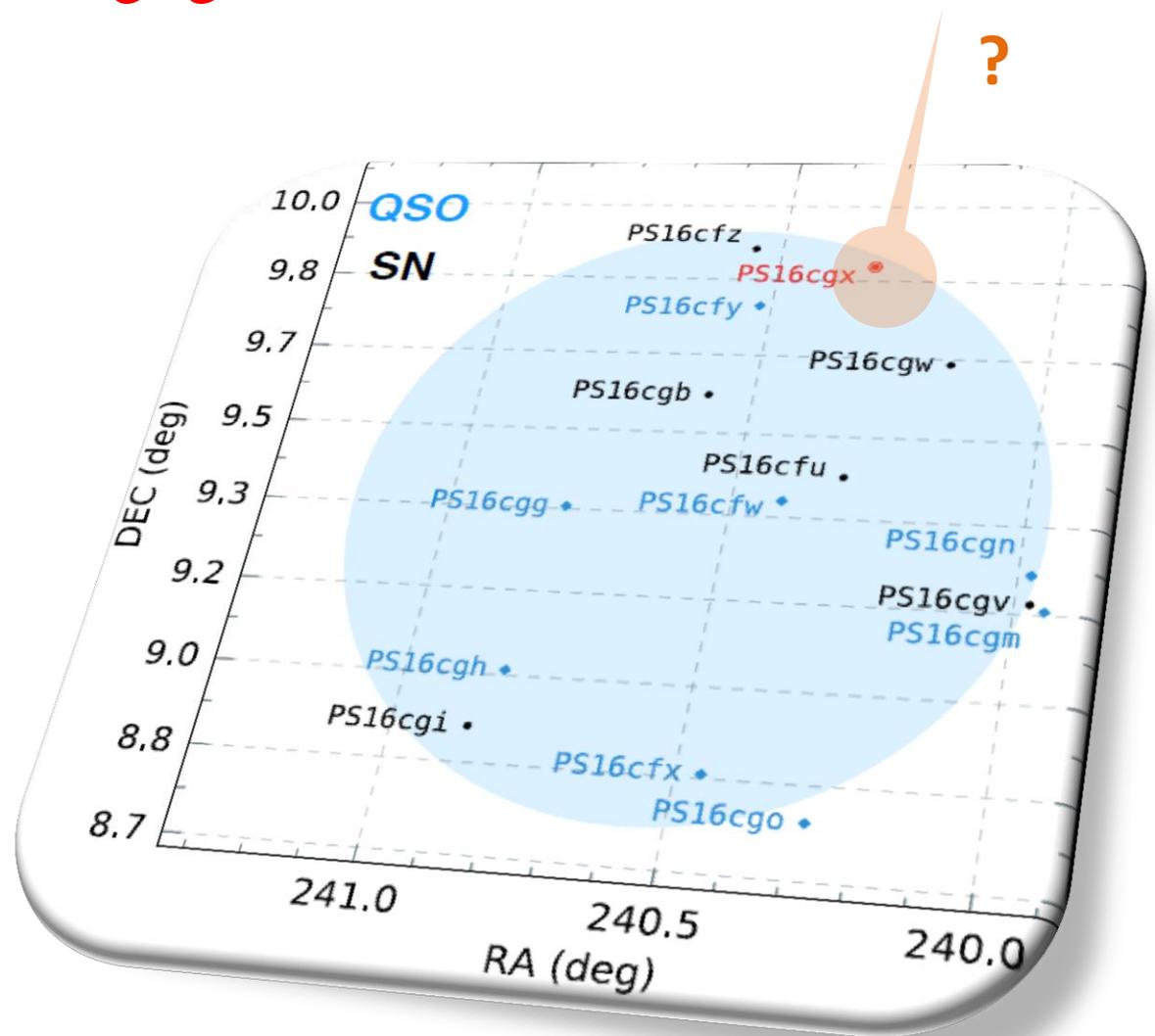
IceCube detected a candidate cosmic neutrino IceCube-160427A, "AMON ICECUBE HESE 127853 67093193" at 05:52:32.00 UT on 16/04/27 ([http://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/notices\\_amon/67093193\\_127853.amon](http://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/notices_amon/67093193_127853.amon)) The event was a high energy starting event (HESE) with track-like characteristics and it arrived when the IceCube detector was in a normal operating state.

More sophisticated reconstruction algorithms have been applied offline, with the direction refined to RA=240.57d and DEC=+9.34d (J2000), and the position uncertainty reduced to an estimated 0.6 degrees or 36 arcminutes radius (stat+sys, 90% containment). We encourage followup by ground and space-based instruments to help identify a possible astrophysical source for the neutrino.

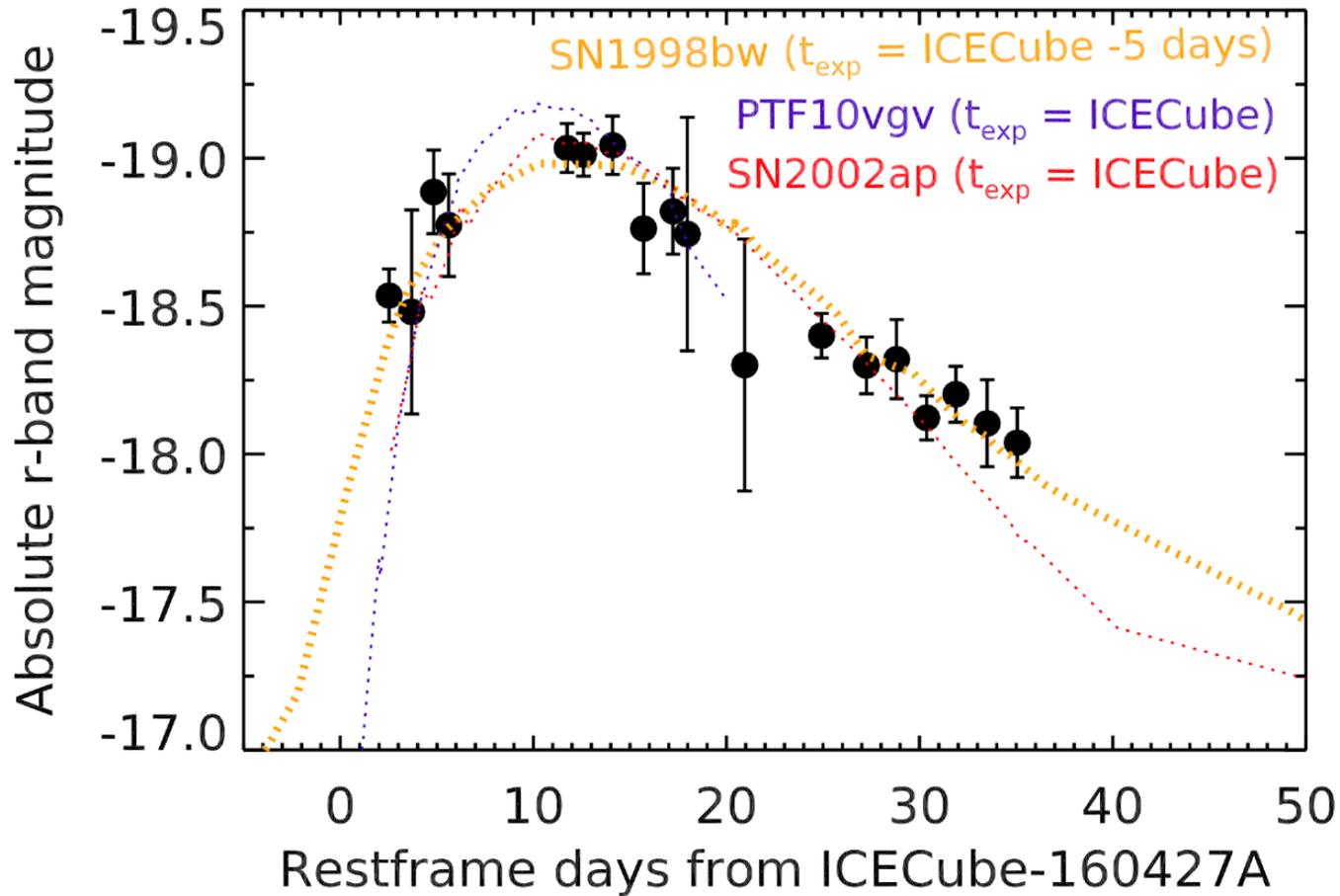
The IceCube neutrino observatory is a cubic-kilometer neutrino detector operating at the geographic south Pole, Antarctica.

The IceCube realtime alert point of contact can be reached at [roc@icecube.wisc.edu](mailto:roc@icecube.wisc.edu)

# High energy $\nu$ 's from SNe



# *SN light curve on the rise...*



*for comparison ...*

*...however, probably a SN1a, unlikely to have high neutrino flux*

# Summary

- ② Neutrinos and their oscillations play deciding role in SNe
- ② Intriguing features in 3D simulations, explosion not yet settled
- ② IceCube provided 99.7% „SN availability“
- ② IceCube most precise instrument for close SNe
- ② will remain to be competitive in future
- ② much to learn from combination of measurements

## Neutrino physics:

Absolute  $\nu$  mass  
Mass sequence  
Matter and collective oscillations  
Majorana vs Dirac neutrinos  
Sterile neutrinos and axions

## Supernova physics:

Pre-supernova evolution & progenitor structure  
Neutronization & neutrino trapping  
Shocks, turbulence, convective transport (SASI, LESA)  
EOS, neutron star, phase transition, nucleosynthesis  
Accretion, explosion cooling, black hole formation ...