

# High energy gamma-ray astronomy

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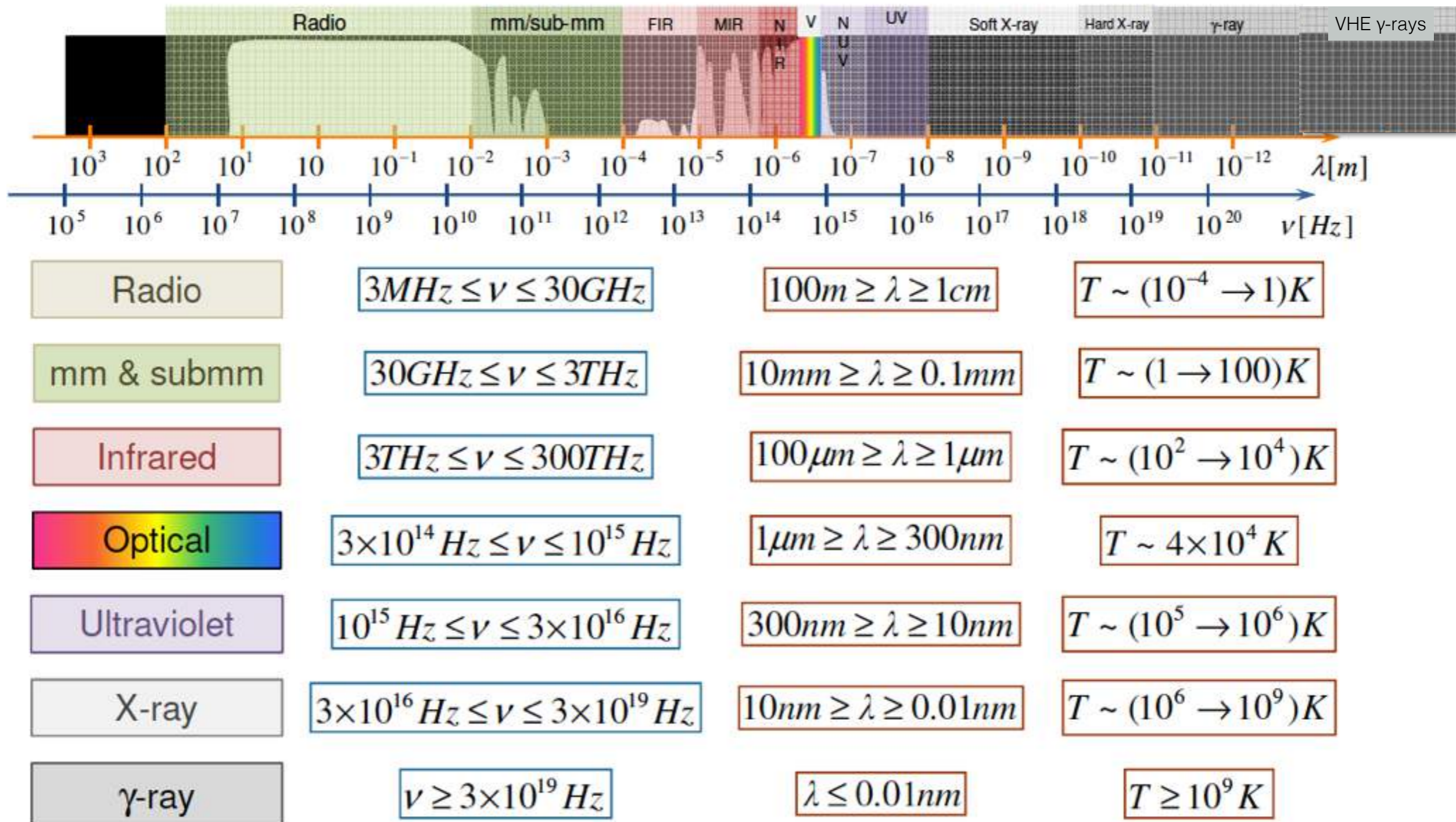
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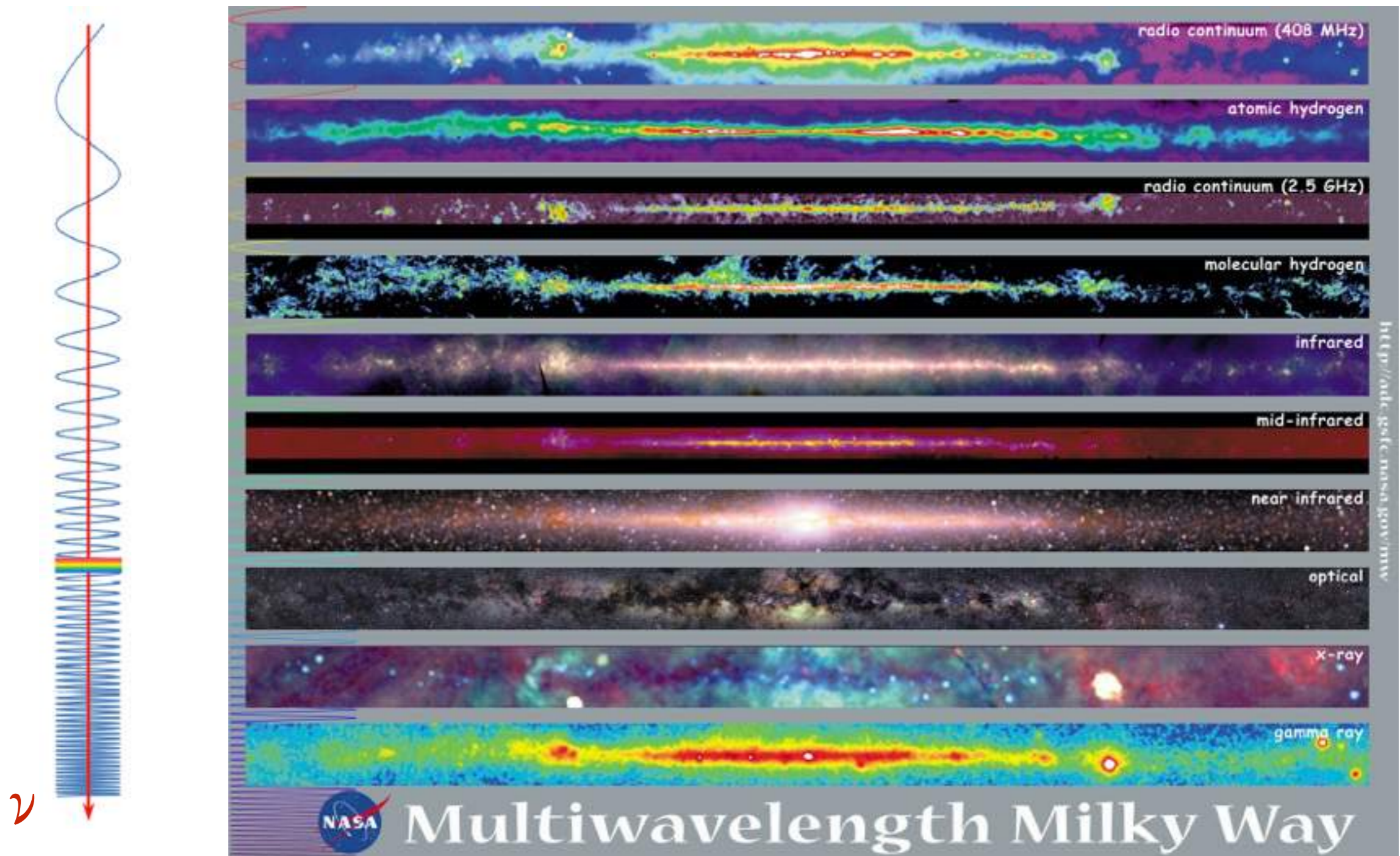
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# 1. Multiwavelength sky

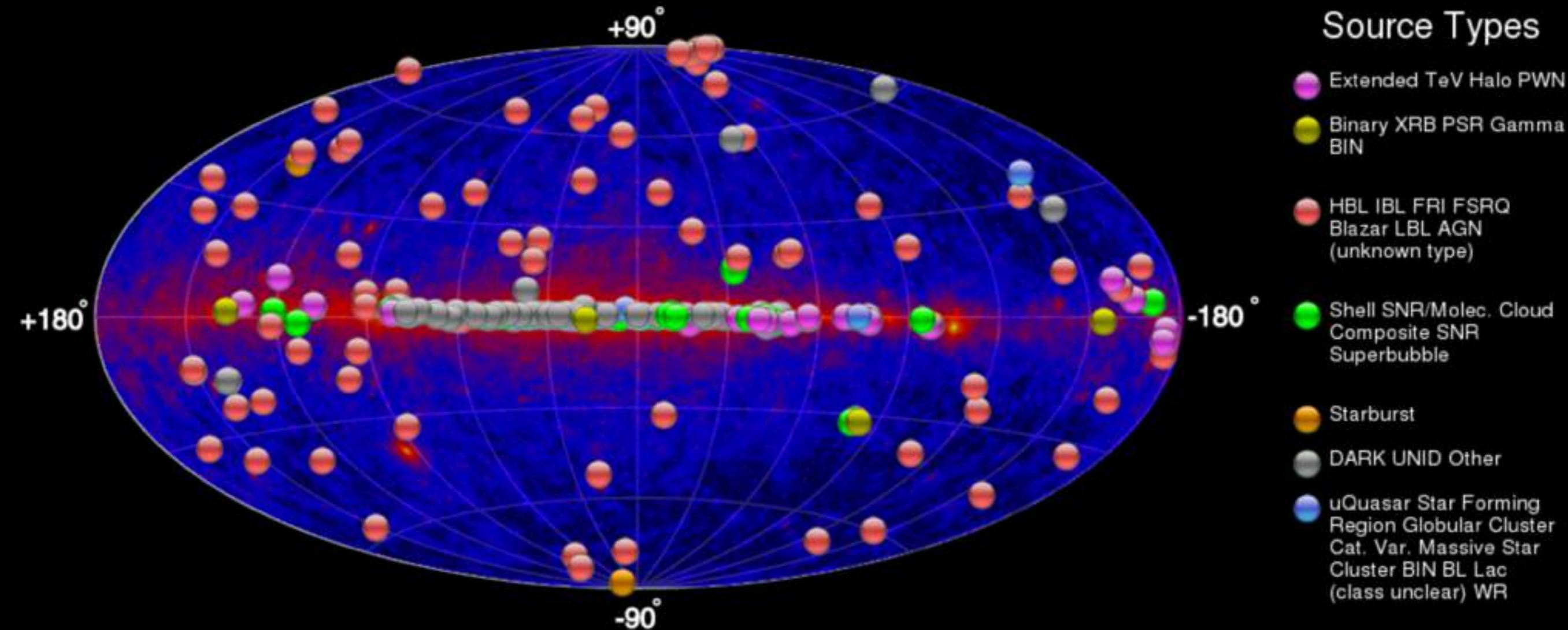


# 1. Multiwavelength sky



Major part of what we observe is high energy astrophysics

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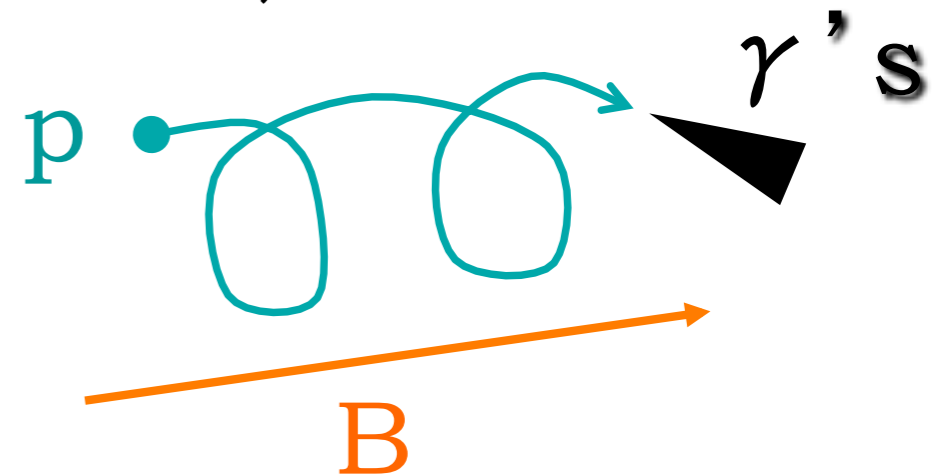


- Nominally 207 sources as of Dec 15, 2017
- Dominated by HESS, MAGIC and VERITAS
- Contains already 20 HAWC sources

## 2. How to produce gamma rays?

From protons

- **Pion decay**
  - Accelerated protons (p) interact with matter
  - $p + p \rightarrow X + \pi_0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$
- **Proton Synchrotron Emission**
  - Depends on magnetic field strength (not dominant under typical conditions)



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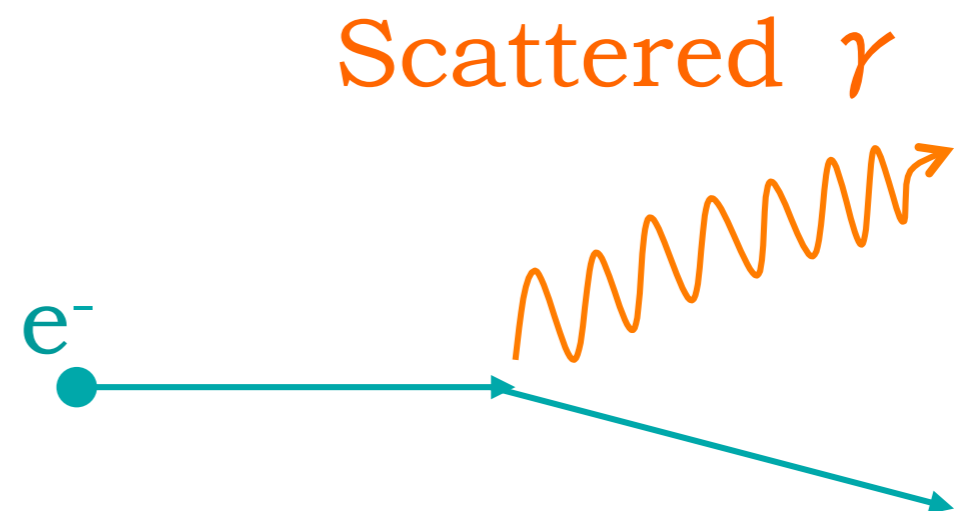
From electrons

- **Inverse Compton Scattering**
  - Collide highly relativistic electrons with photons from stars or the microwave background

$$e^- + \gamma_{\text{Low E}} \rightarrow e^- + \gamma$$

$$E_\gamma \propto (\gamma_{\text{Lorentz}})^2 E_{\gamma \text{ low E}}$$

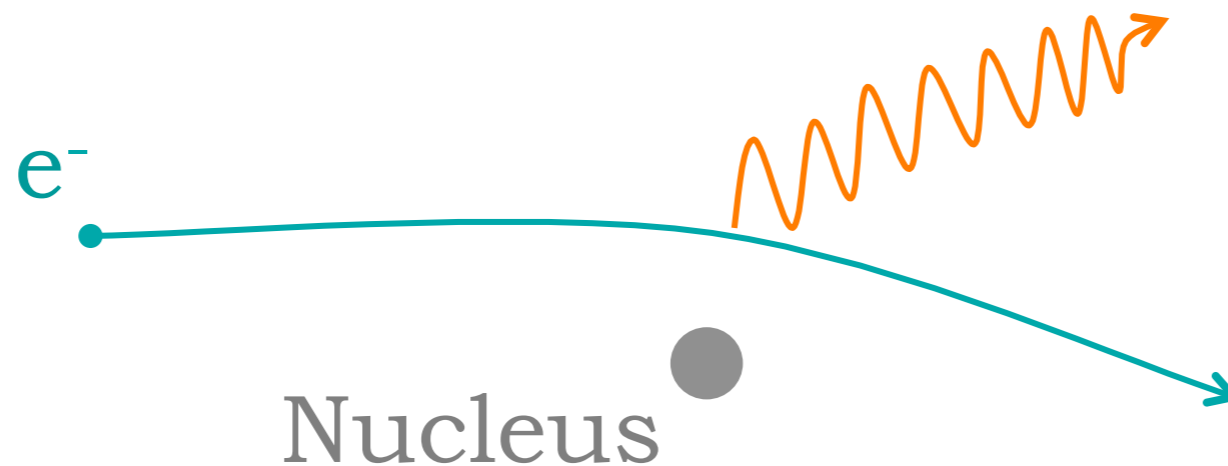
$$\gamma_{\text{Lorentz}} = 1 / \sqrt{1 - v_e^2 / c^2}$$



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### From electrons

- **Bremsstrahlung** (free-free emission)
  - Electron deceleration by a nucleus
  - Highly relativistic electrons emit gamma rays in atomic or molecular material
  - Energy $_{\gamma} \sim$  Energy $_e$

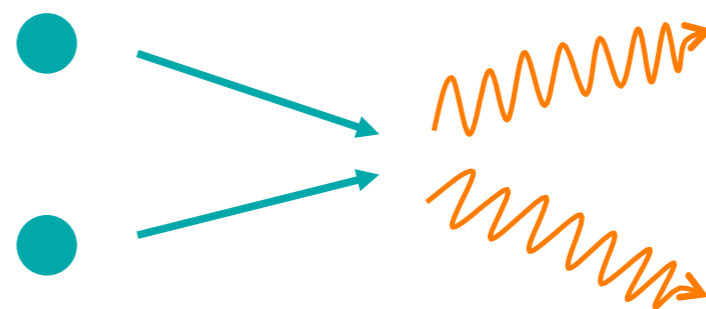




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### Other ways to produce gamma rays

- Topological defects left over from the Big Bang?
  - Hypothesis: Black holes formed with the early Universe decay
- By-product of dark matter interactions?
  - Hypothesis: weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs) interact to produce gamma rays:



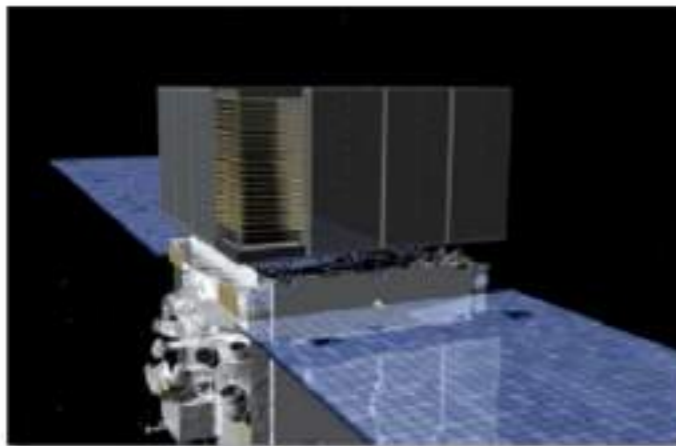
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## GAMMA RAY TELESCOPES

Space-based  
pair production  
telescopes



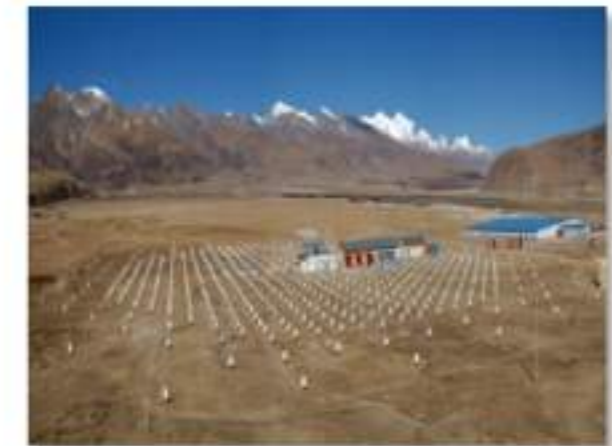
0.1 – 100 GeV  
Small area  
Background-free  
Large field of view  
High duty cycle

Imaging Atmospheric  
Cherenkov Telescopes



50 GeV – 100 TeV  
Large area  
Excellent bg rejection  
Small field of view  
Low duty cycle

Air shower  
Arrays

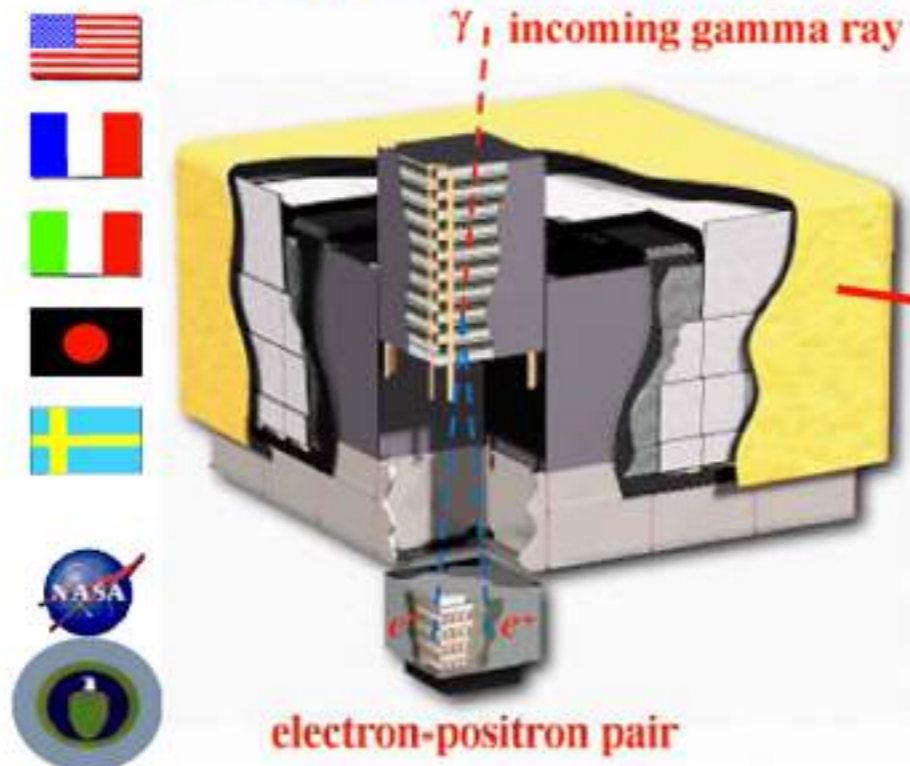


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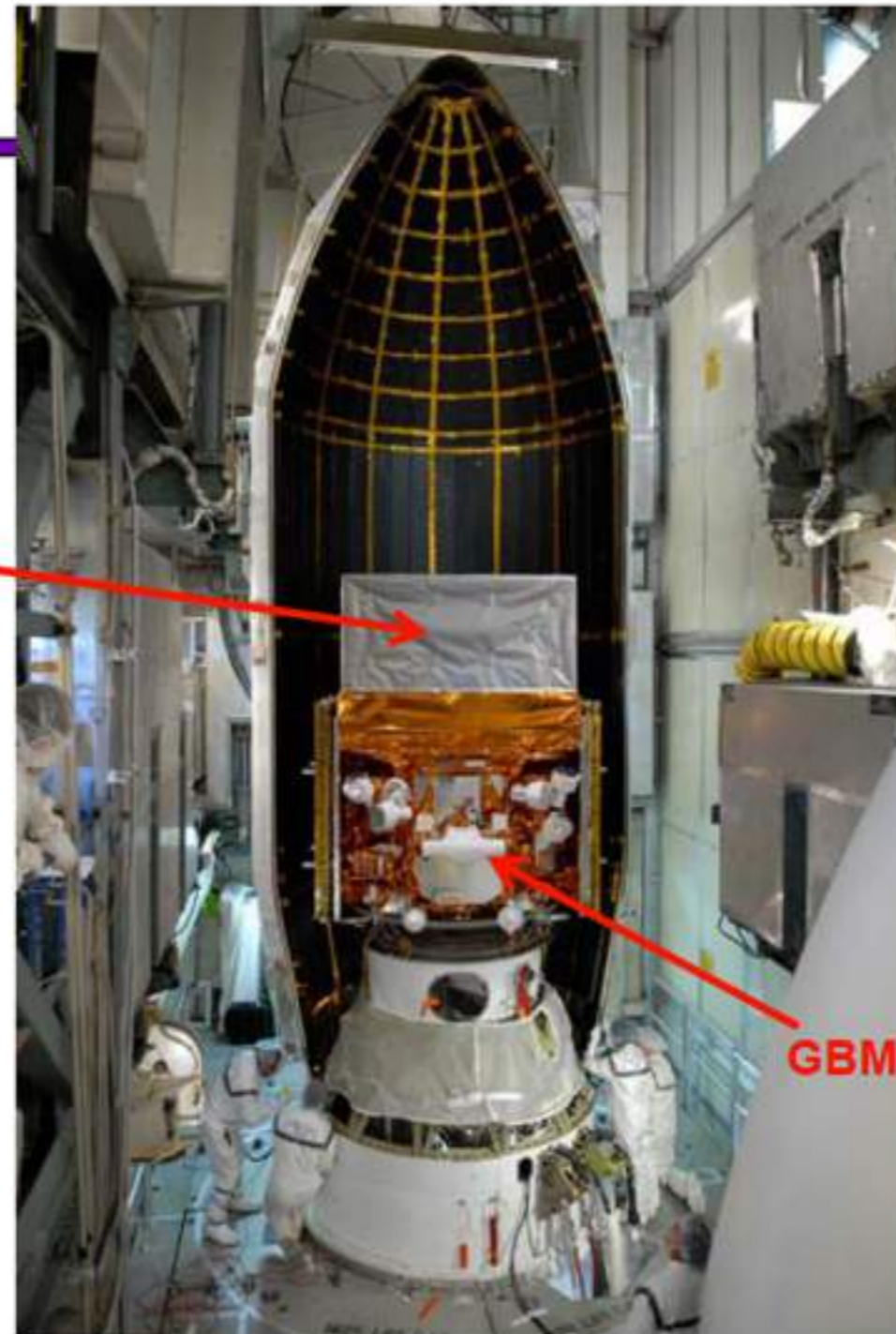
## Fermi GST

### Large Area Telescope (LAT)

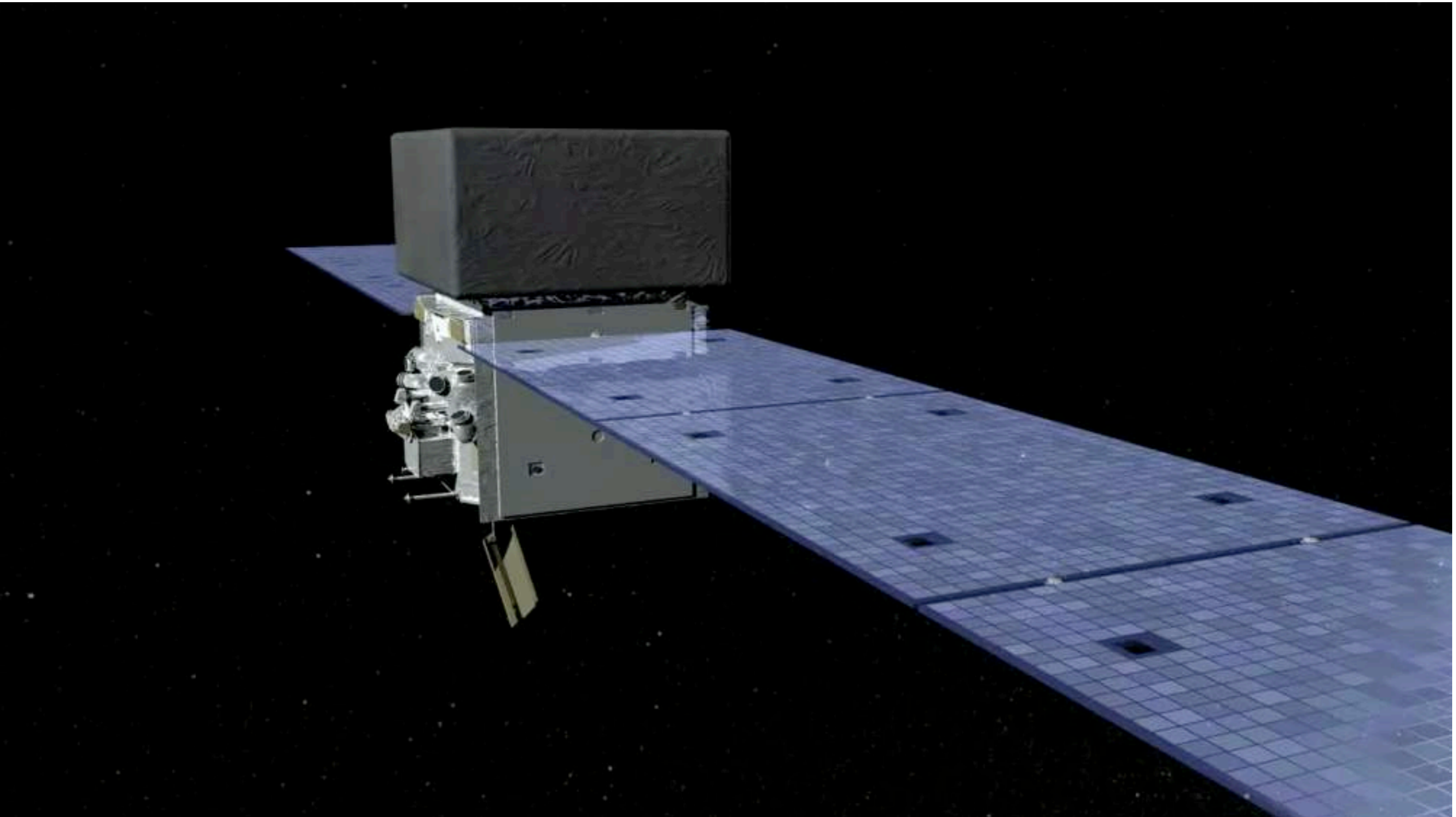


$\gamma$ -ray converts in LAT to an electron and a positron ; tracking these give us the direction and energy of the photon.

Launched from Cape Canaveral  
11 June 2008



# 3. How to detect gamma rays?



**MAGIC, 2 x 17m**



**H.E.S.S., 4 x 12m + 1 x 28m**

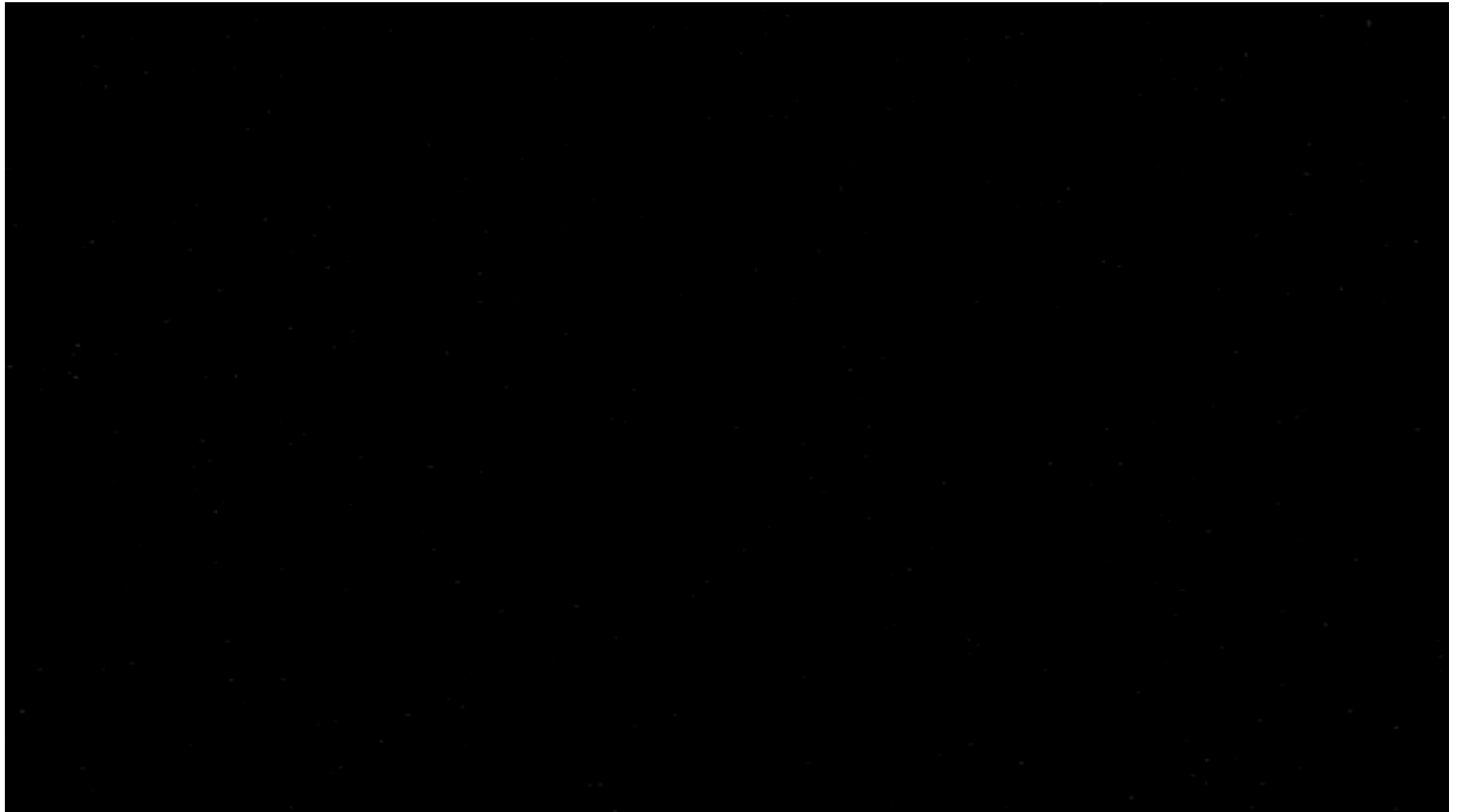


**VERITAS, 4 x 12m**



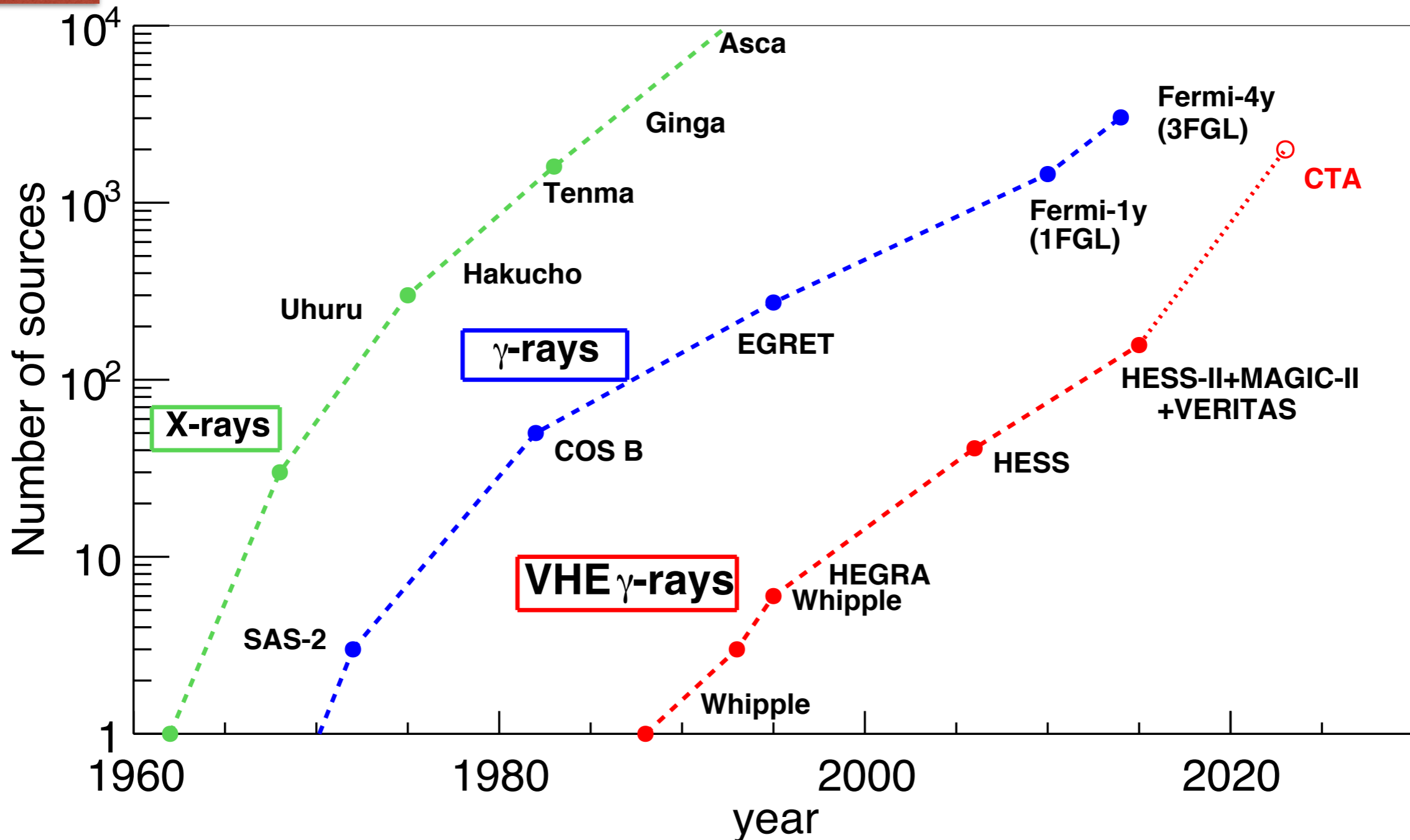
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Atmospheric showers and Cherenkov radiation



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Kifune plot





# HAWC, 300 water tanks at 4100m asl

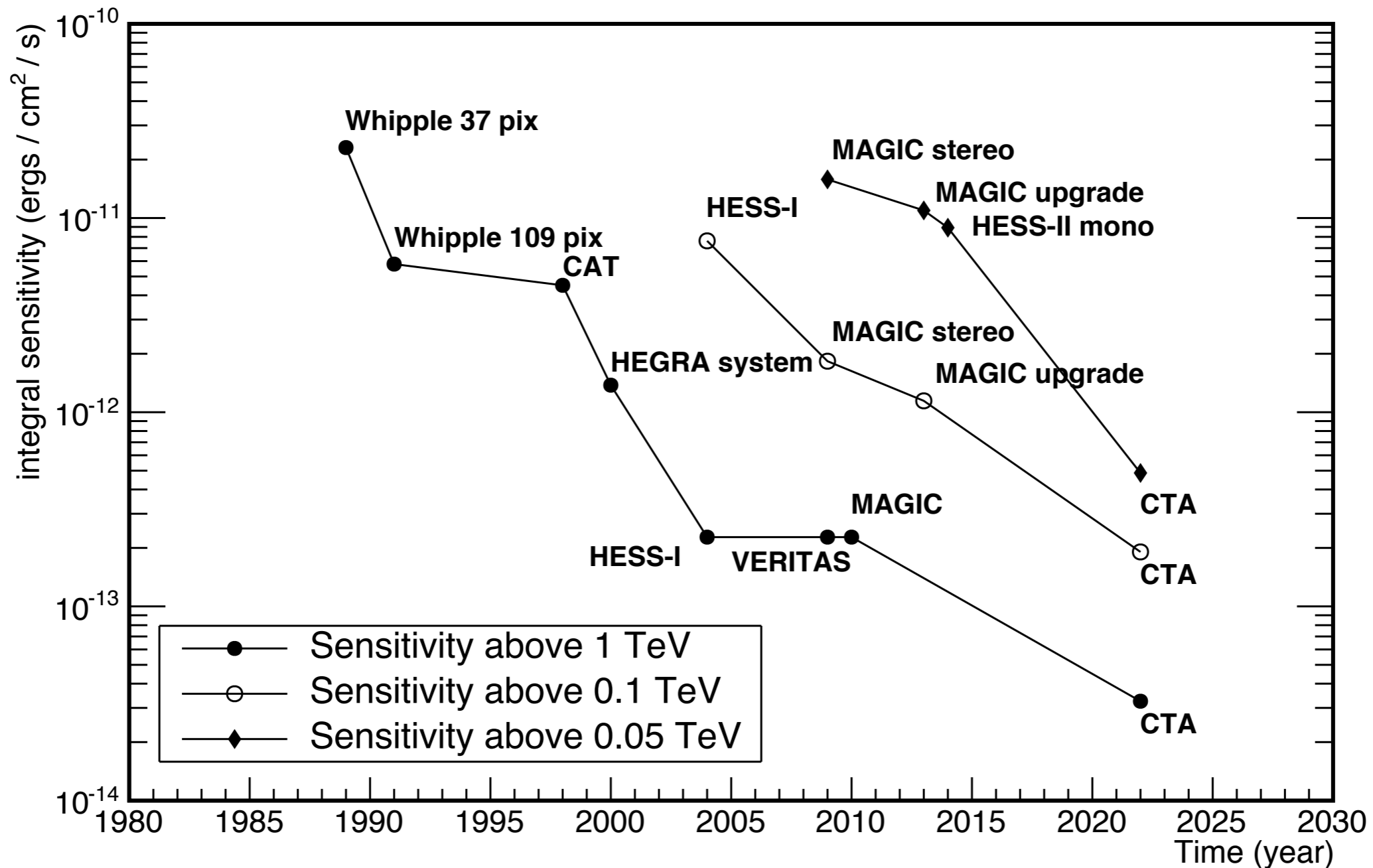


cherenkov  
telescope  
array



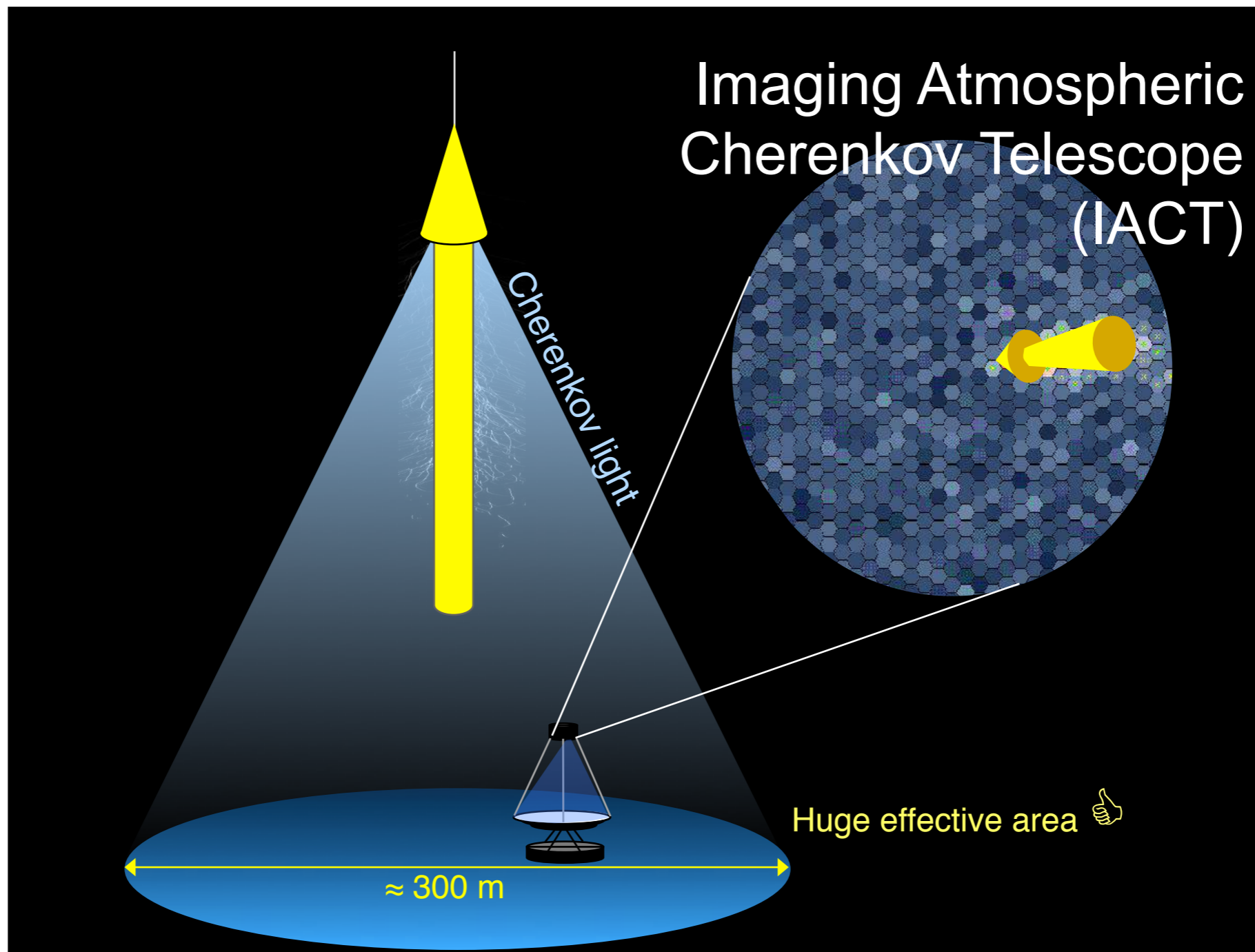
# Due to the boost in flux sensitivity

## IACT sensitivities



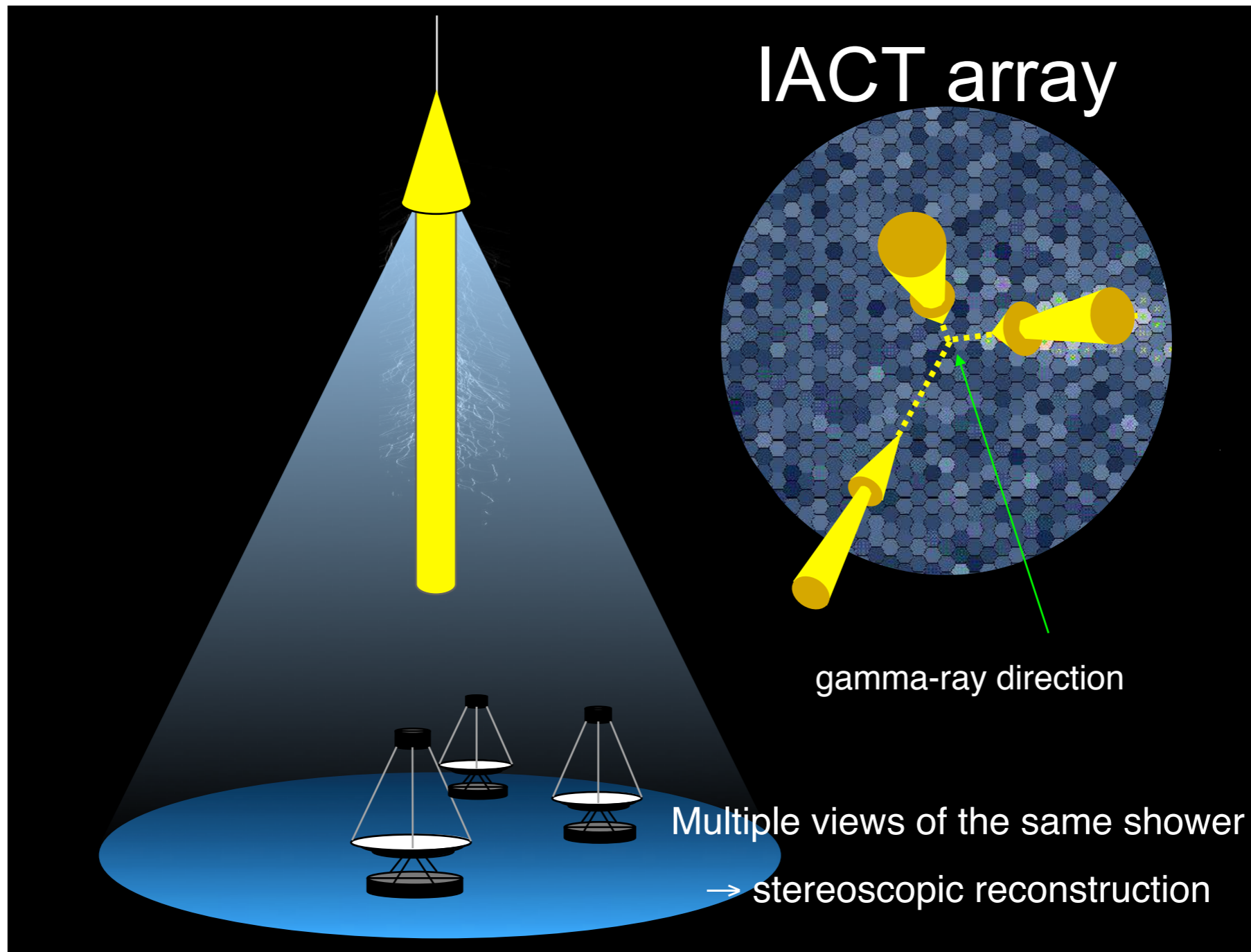
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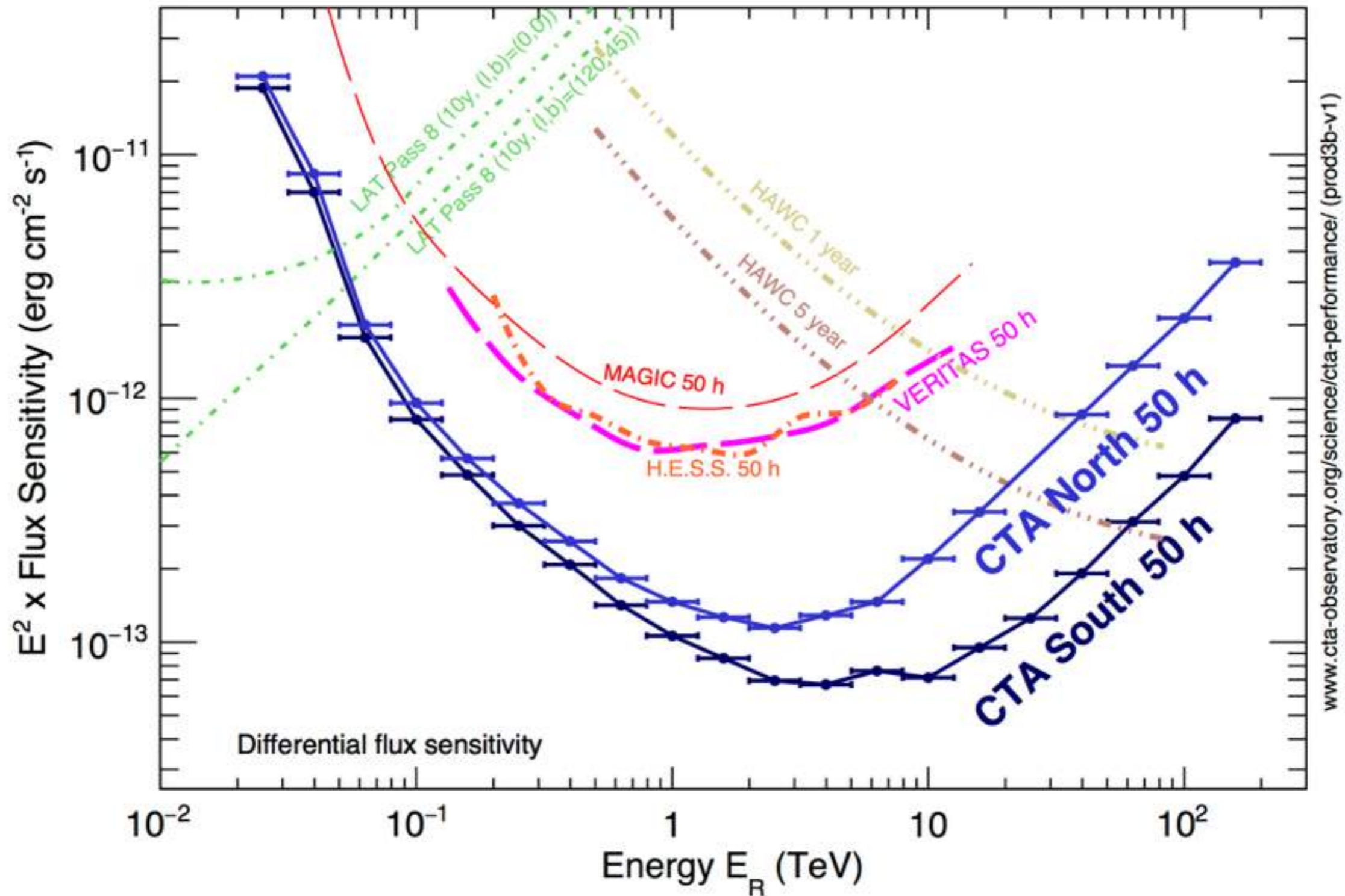
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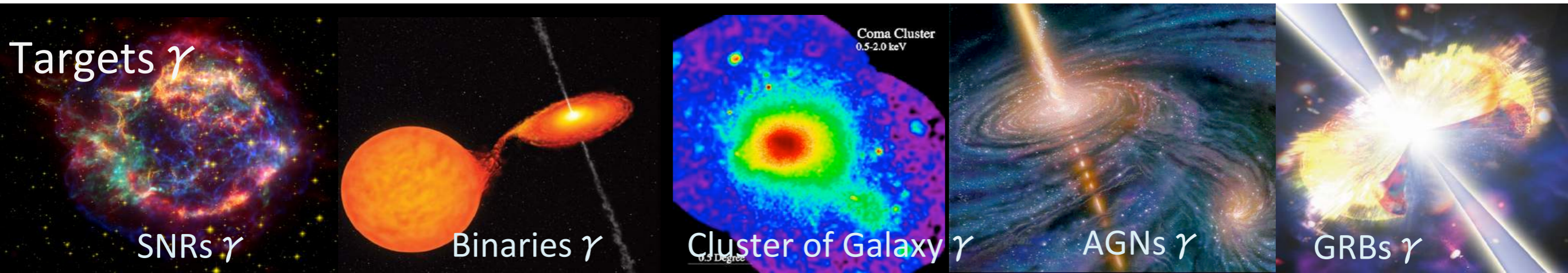
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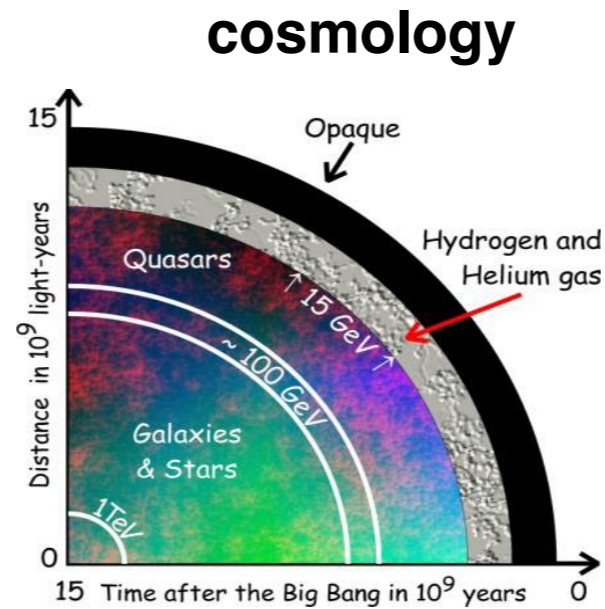
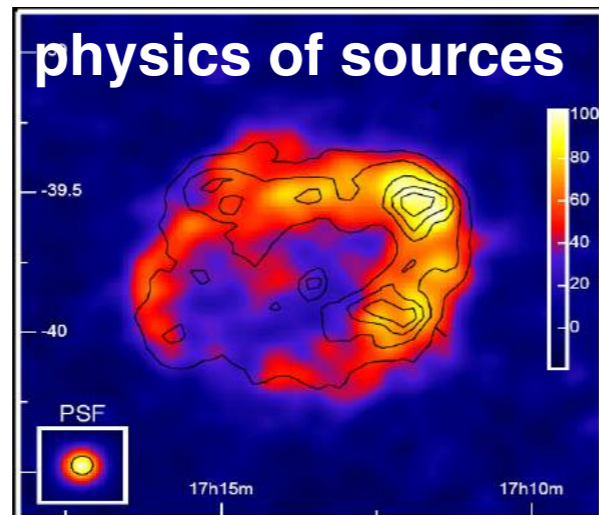
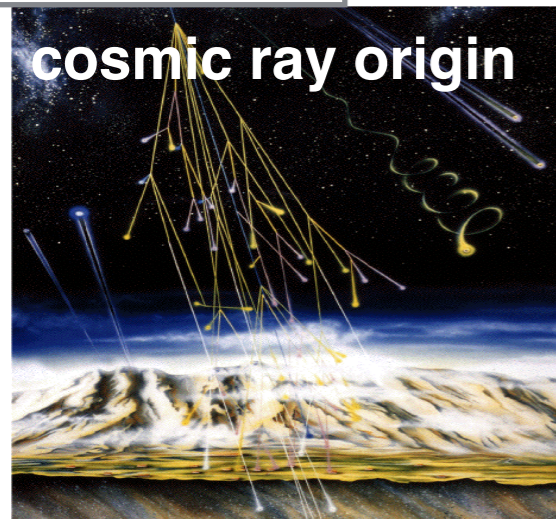
# 4. What do we learn from gamma rays?

- **Origin of cosmic rays**
  - gamma rays are not deflected by intergalactic and galactic magnetic fields, they point directly to their origin
  - gamma rays can travel cosmological distances without absorption (caution: not true for  $E > 100 \text{ GeV}$ )
- **Source Physics:** learn about environment (objects) that emit such gamma rays
- **Observational Cosmology:** use gamma ray sources as beacons to probe the star formation history and Hubble parameter
- **Fundamental physics:** dark matter searches, Lorentz invariance violation, axion like particles

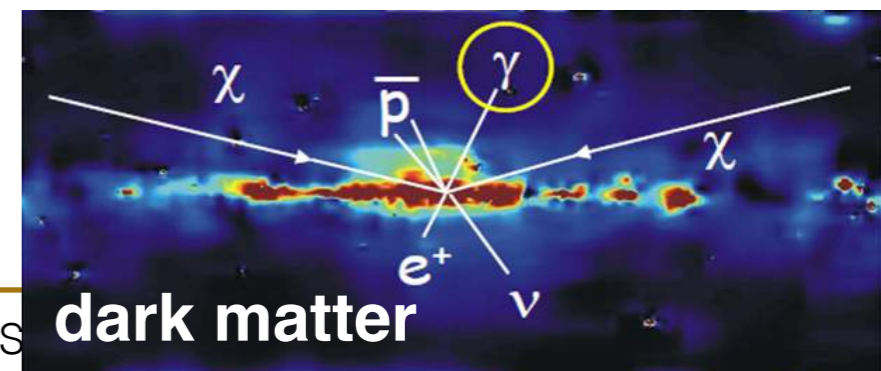
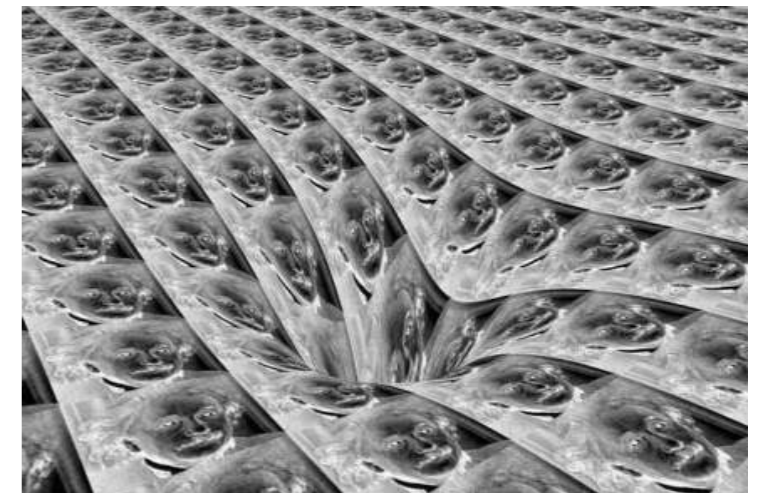
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## Objectives



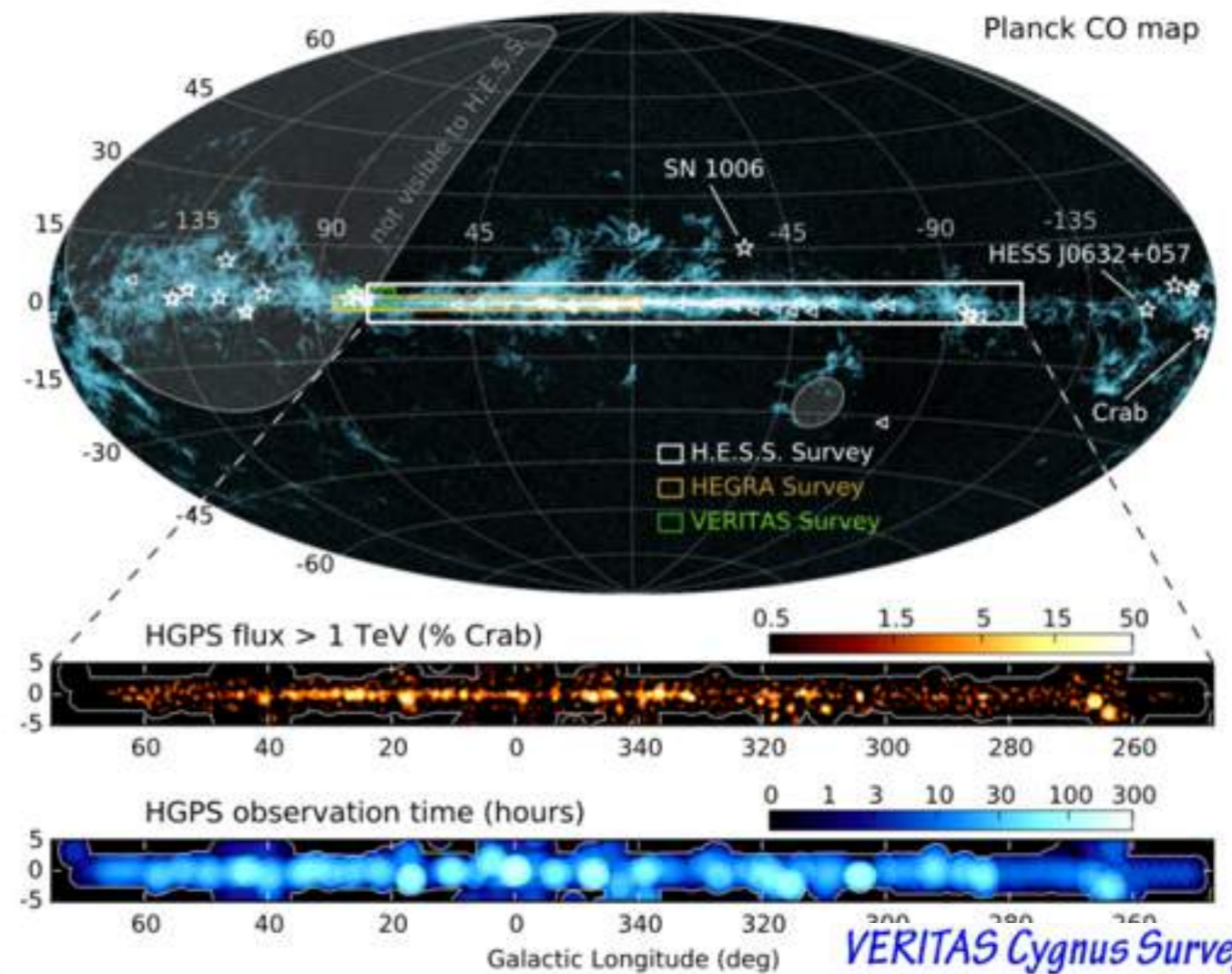
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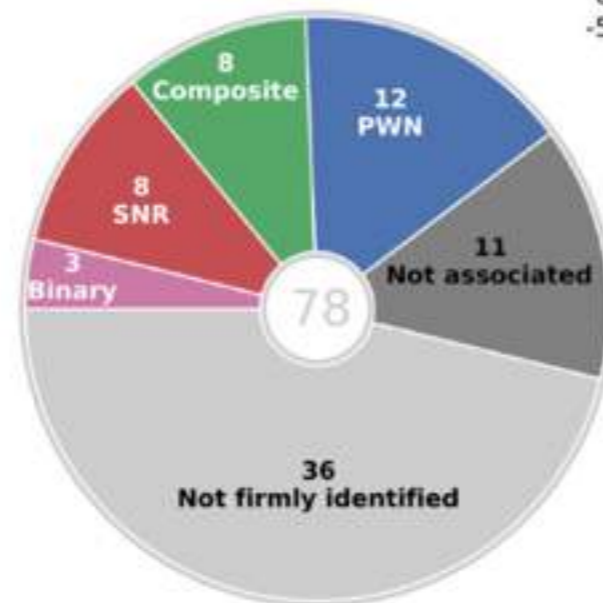
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## H.E.S.S. Galactic Plane Survey

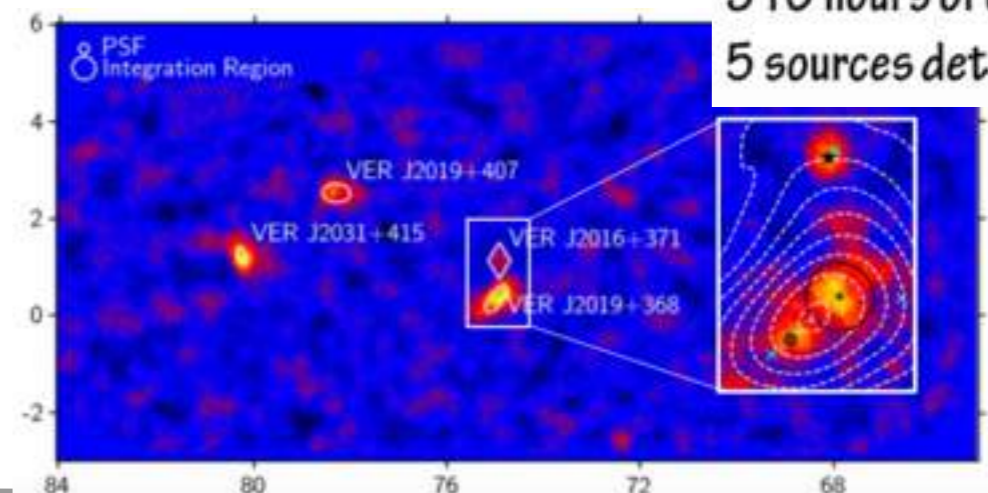
- ~ 3000 hours of observations on the Galactic plane conducted
- Used to compile a survey in gamma-rays
- 78 sources included in the upcoming paper



VERITAS Cygnus Survey



VERITAS Cygnus Survey  
310 hours of observation,  
5 sources detected

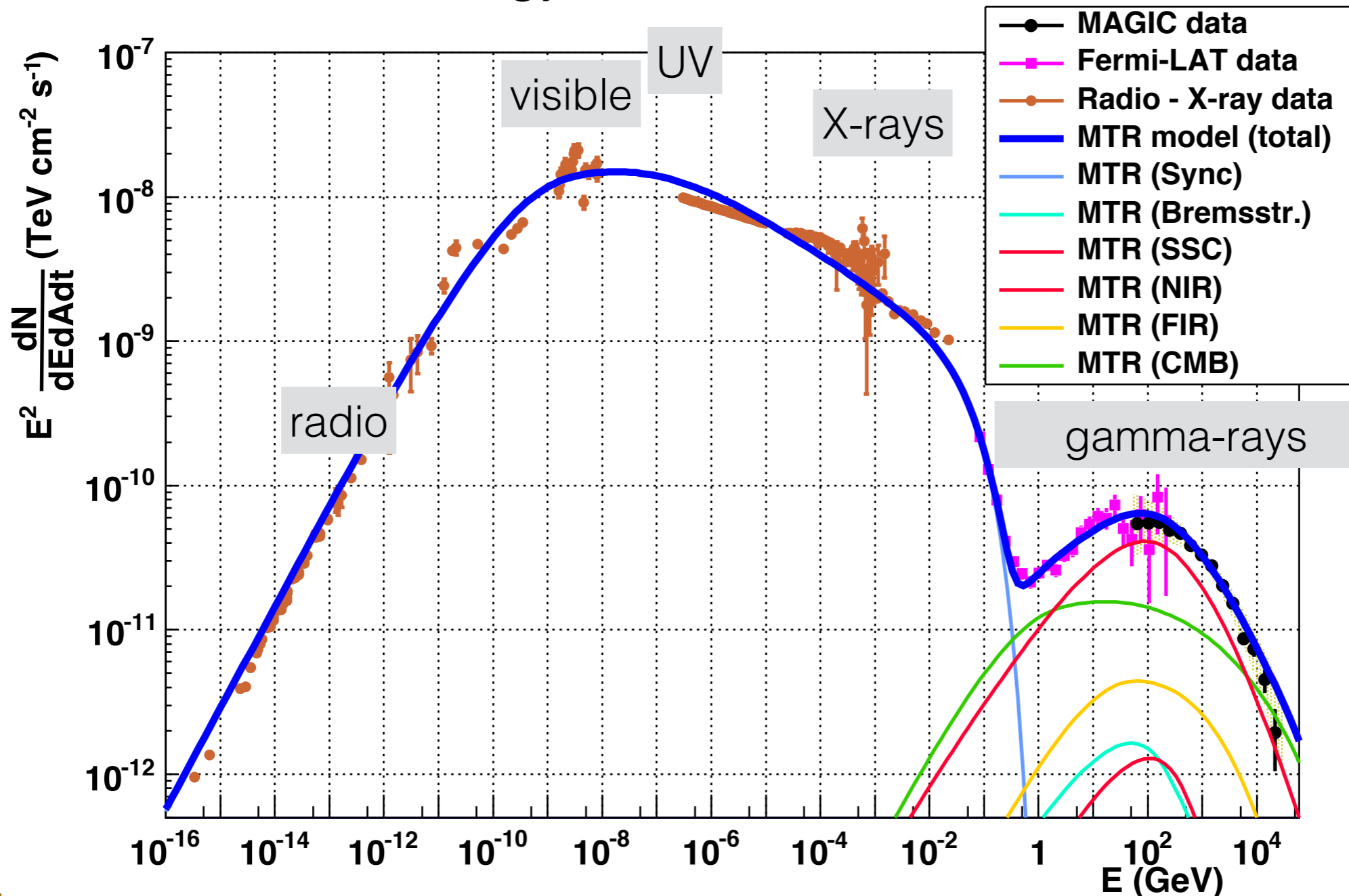




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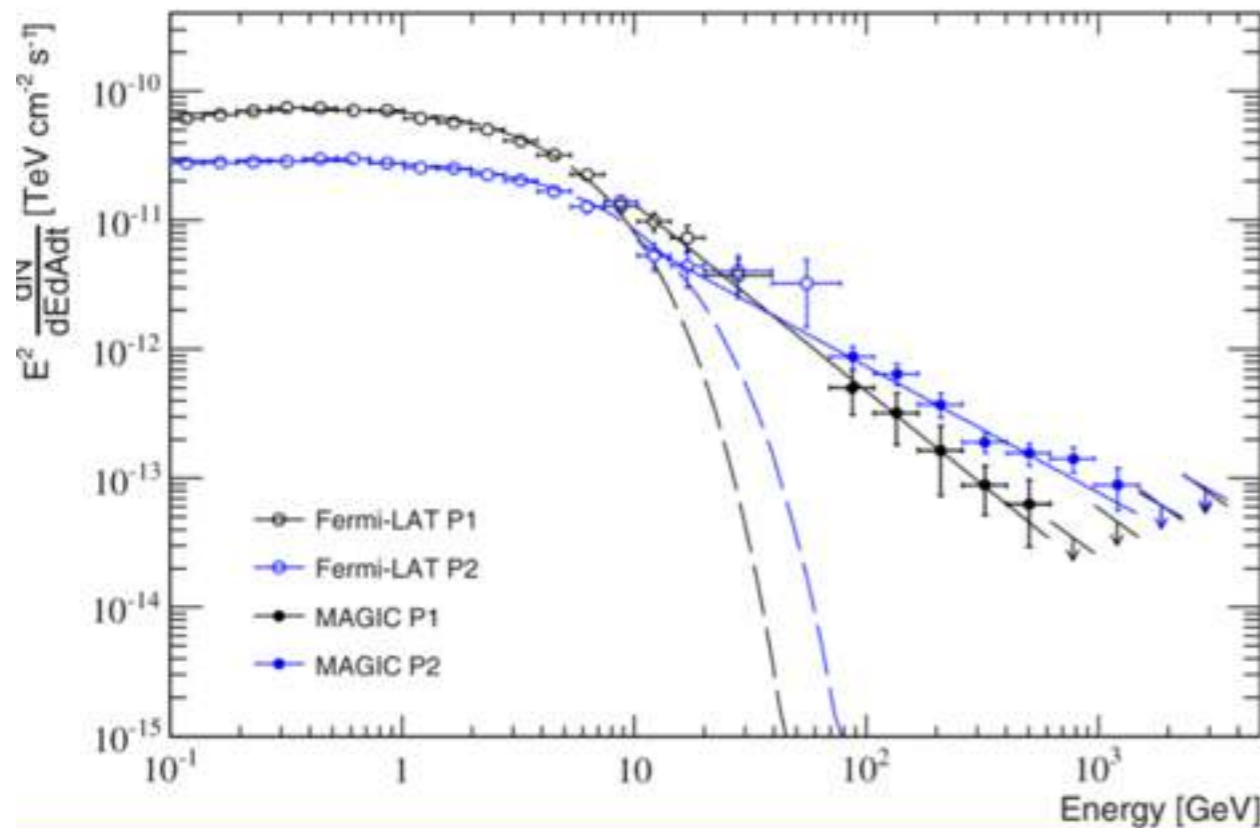
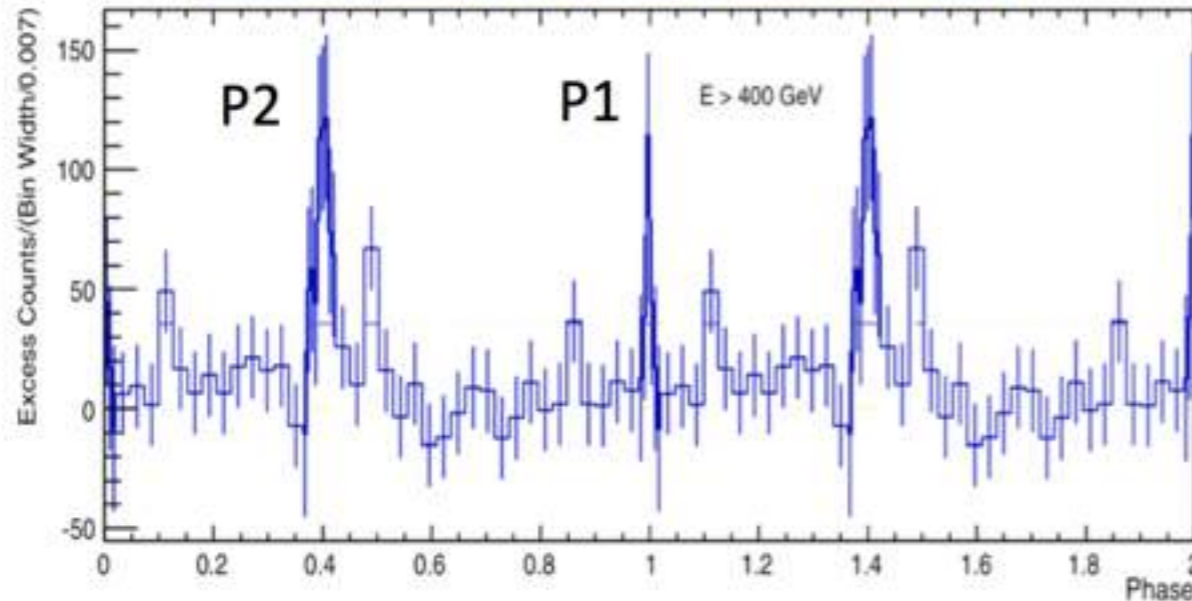
## Crab Nebula

a non-thermal astrophysical object seen over 20 decades in energy



# Pulsars: Crab

MAGIC, 2016, A&A, 585, A33



- MAGIC dataset: 320 h (2007-2014)

MAGIC

- Discovered pulsed emission from Crab spectrum extending up to 1.5 TeV
- Spectra of both peaks extending as power-laws far beyond the expected cutoffs:
  - P1 detected up to 0.6 TeV ( $\Gamma=3.5 \pm 0.1$ )
  - P2 detected up to 1.5 TeV ( $\Gamma=3.0 \pm 0.1$ )



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## Galactic Center

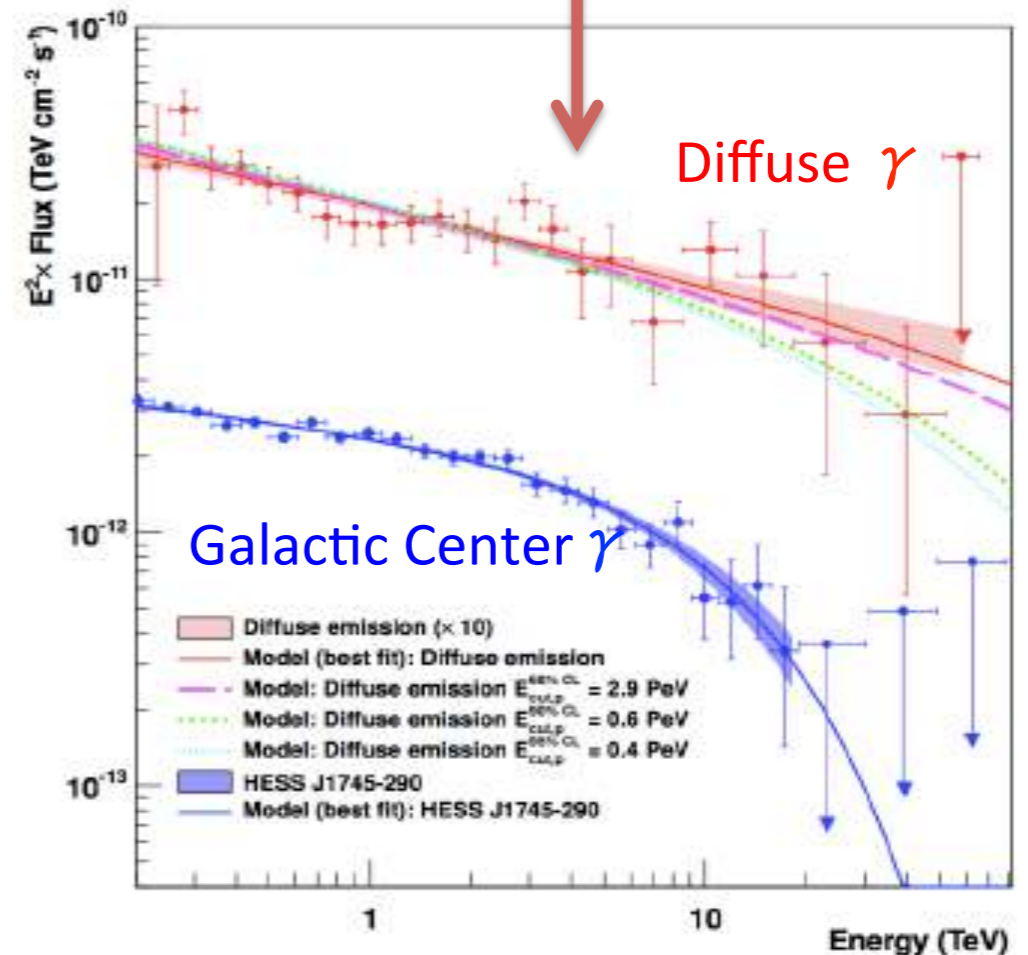
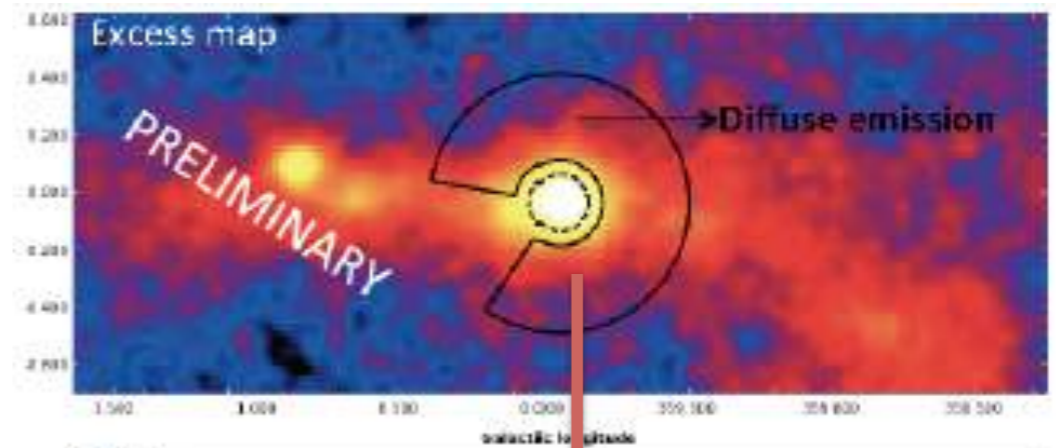
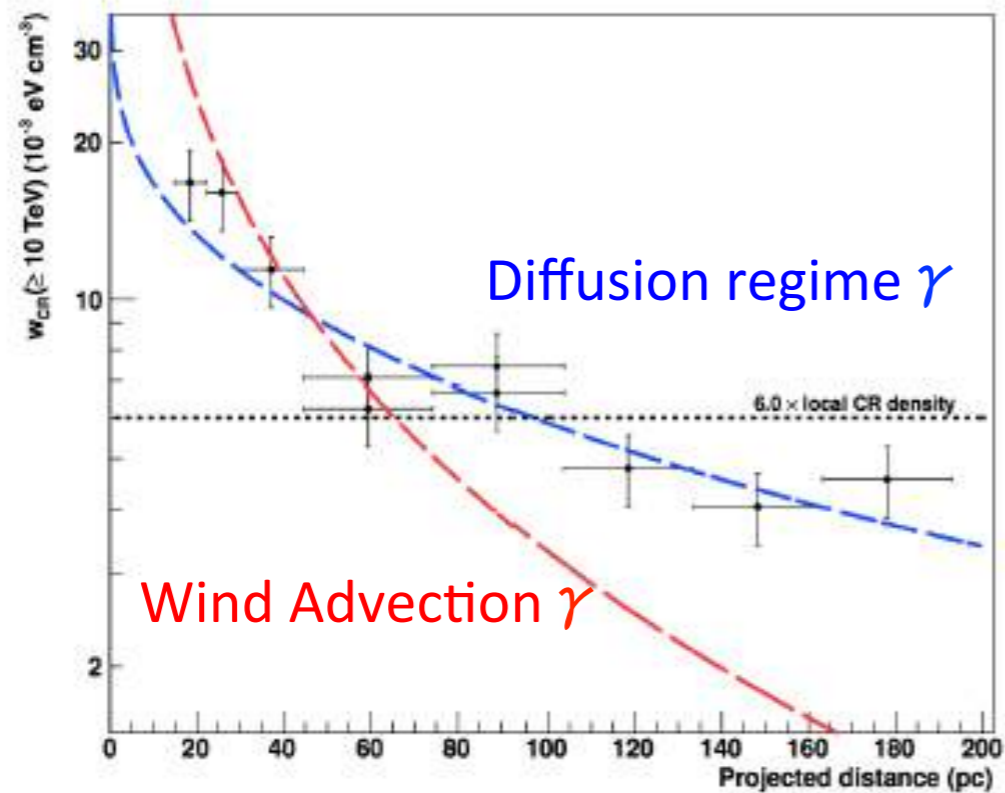
HESS Deep Observation of 250hrs

Spectrum:

Parent proton could be 1PeV → PeVATRON?

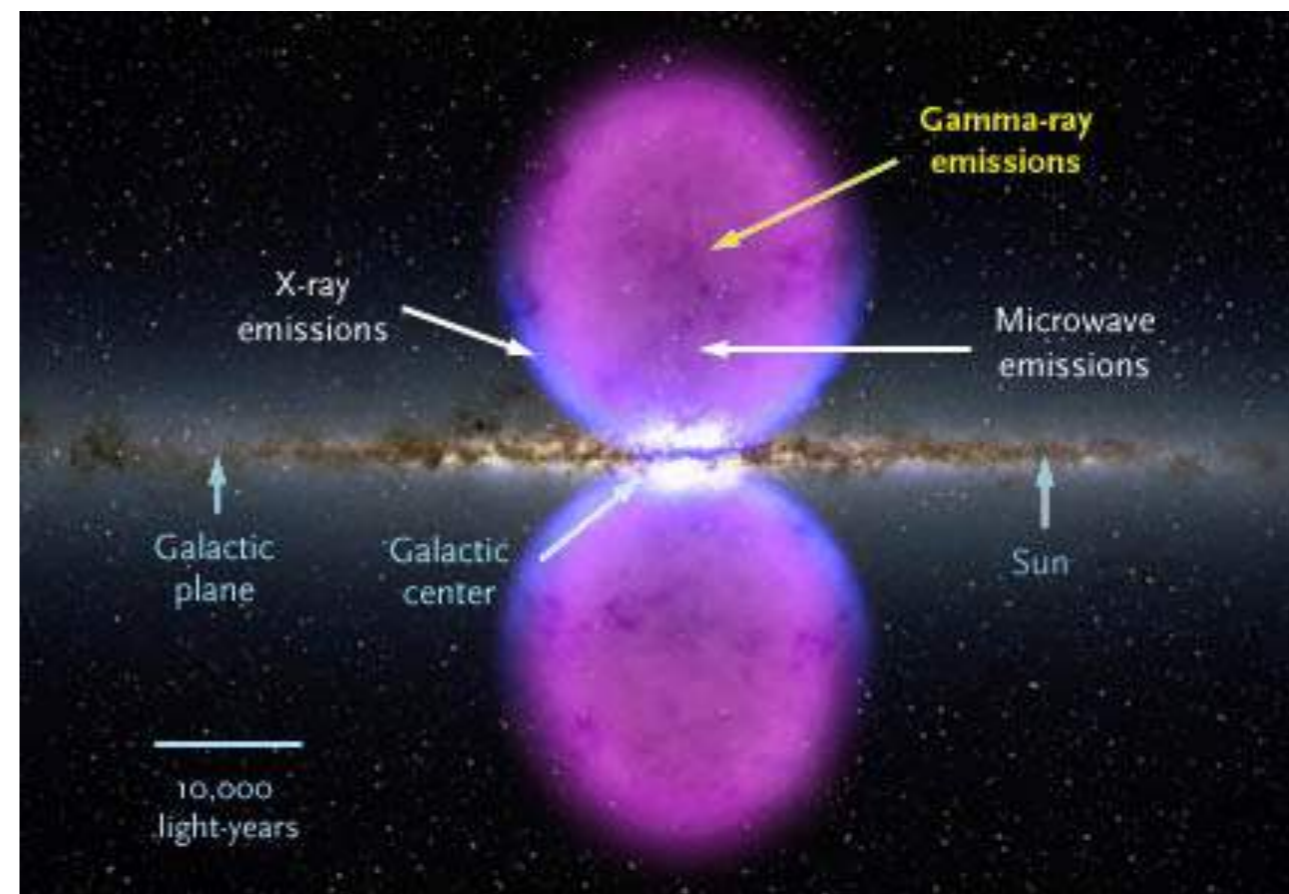
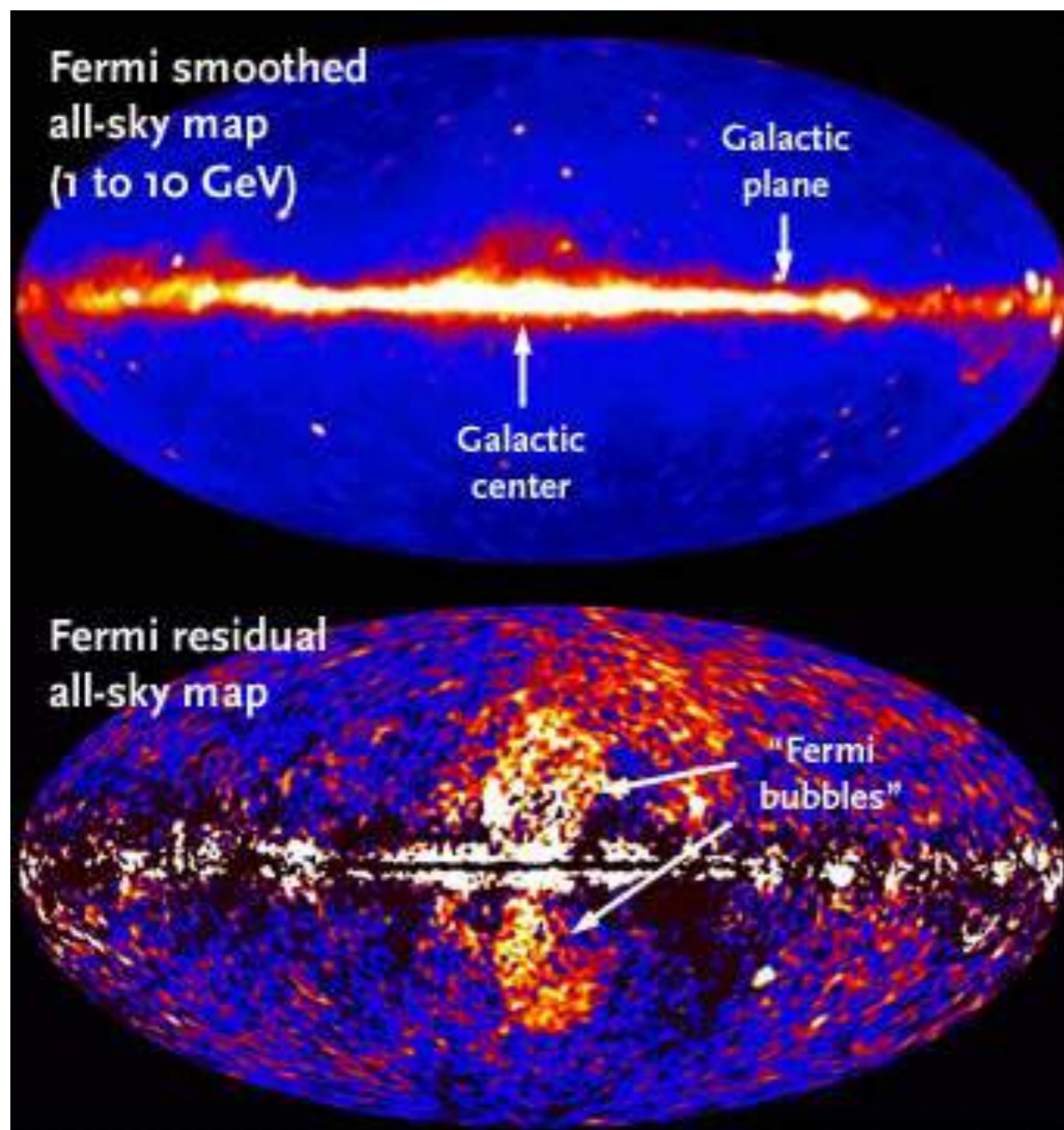
Radial distribution 1/r:

Consistent with the diffusion from the central BH  $\gamma$

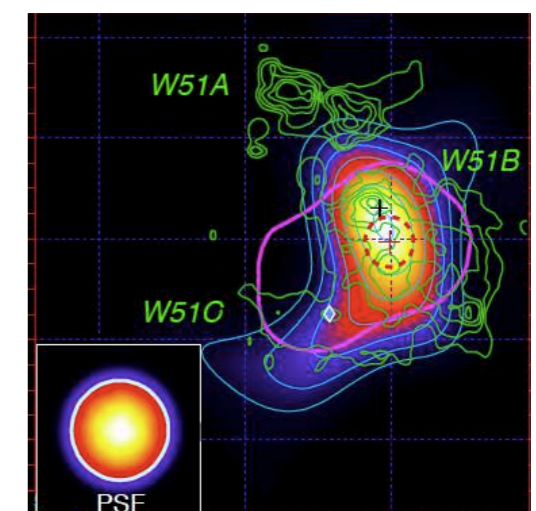
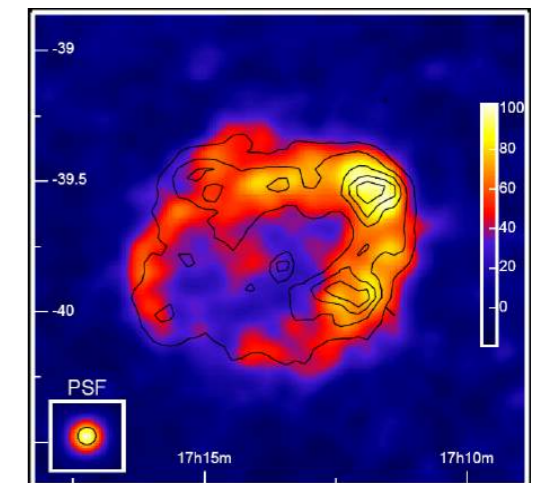
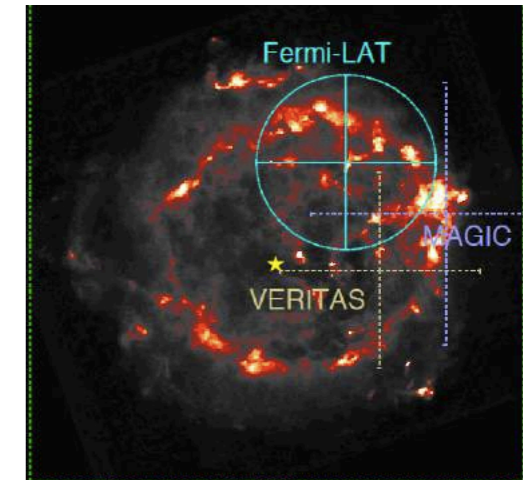
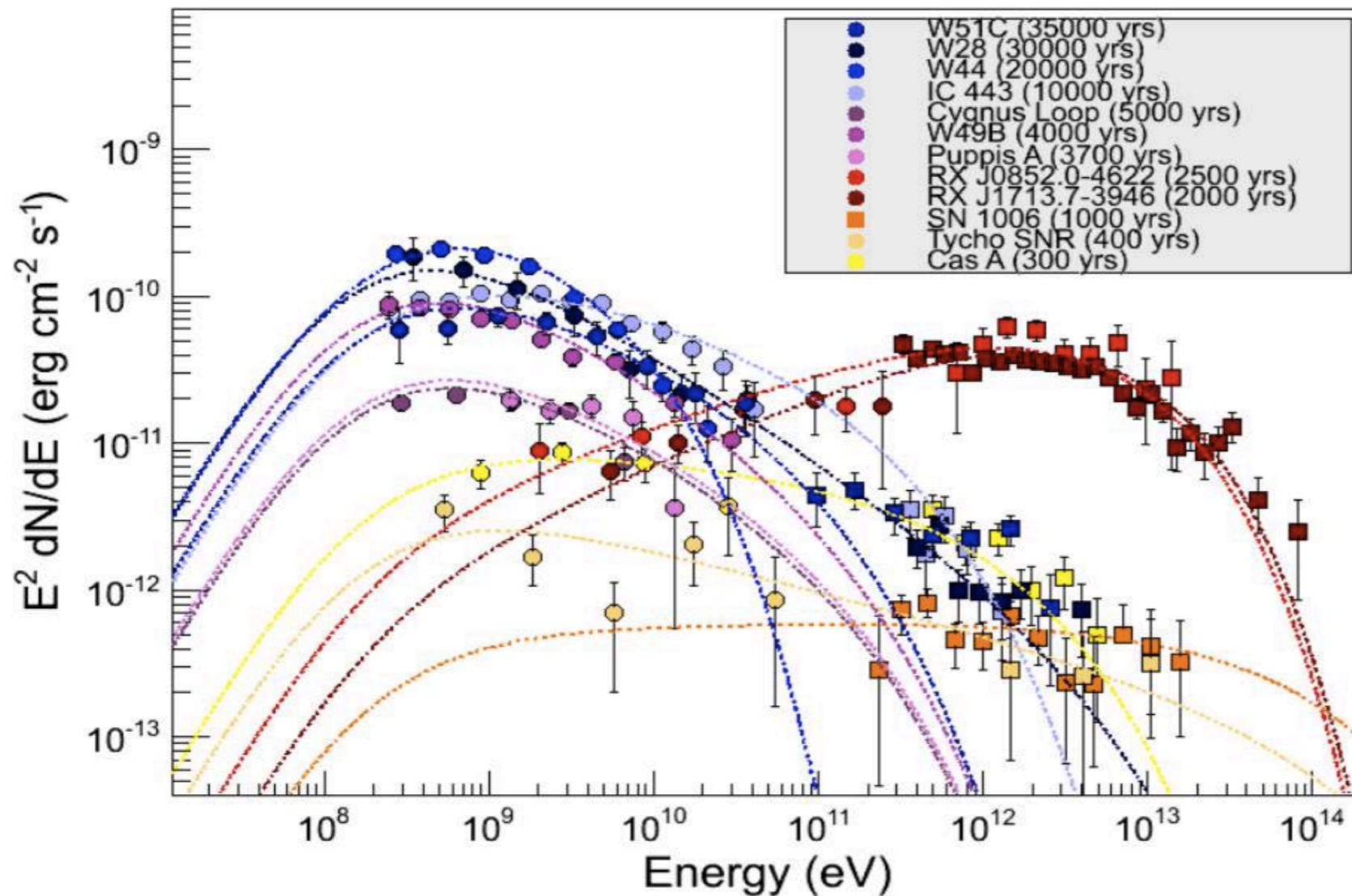


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## Galactic Center: Fermi Bubbles



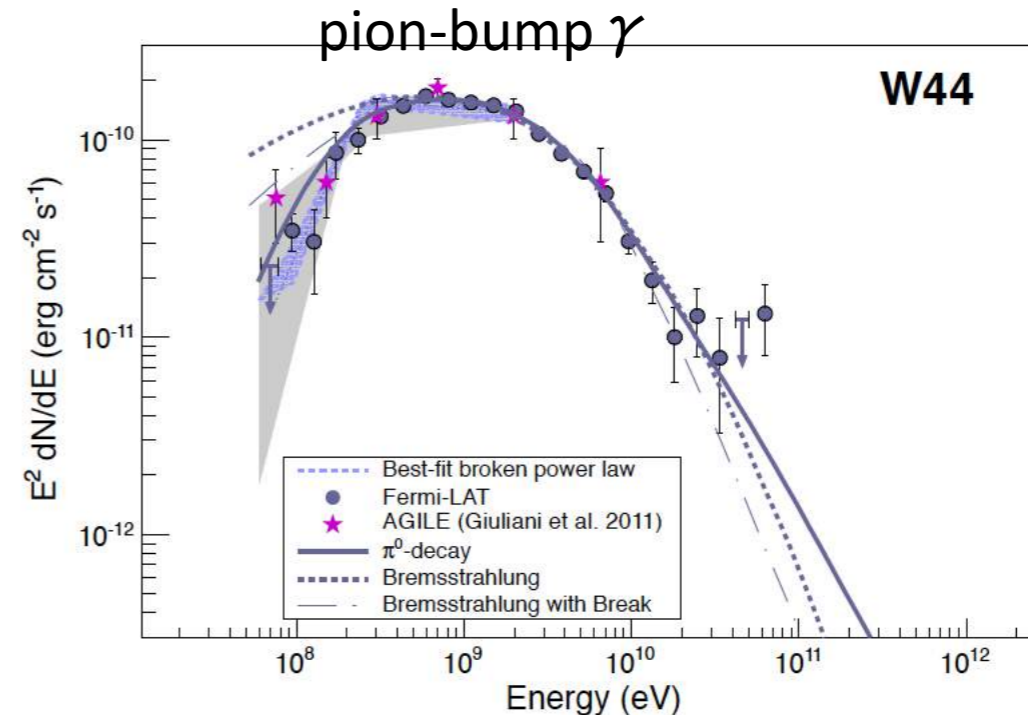
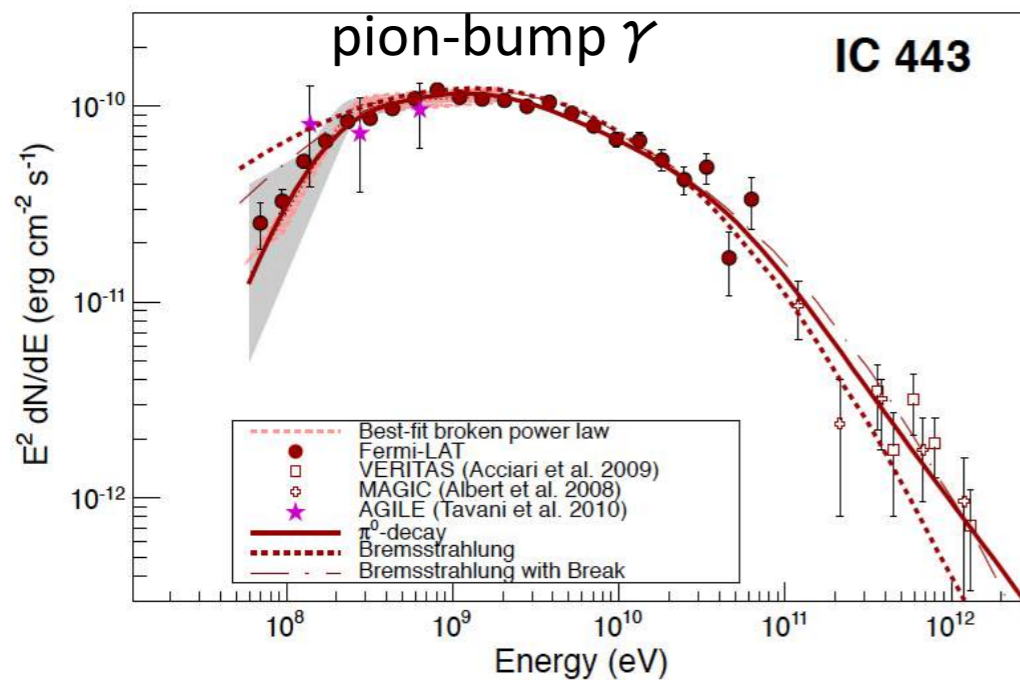
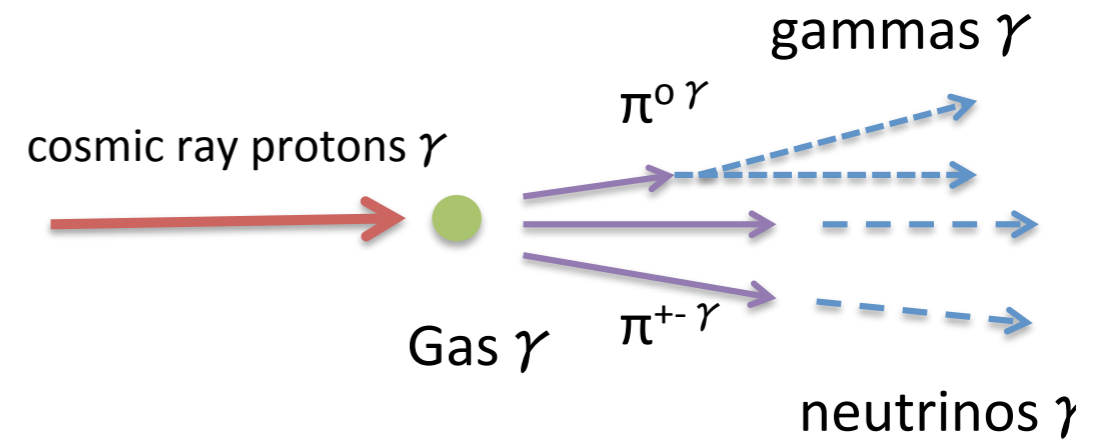
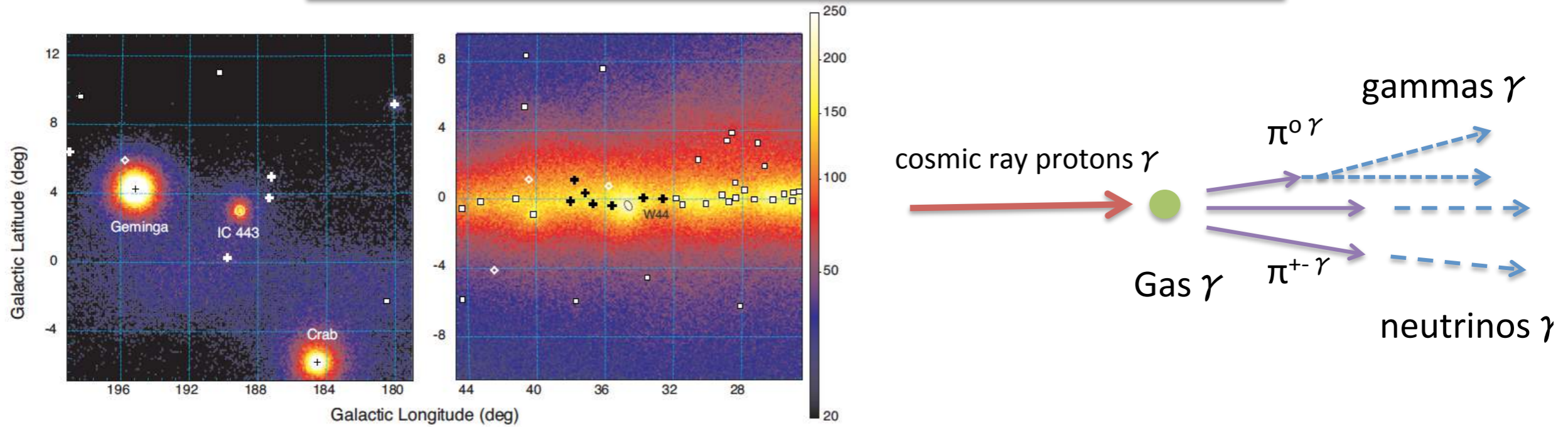
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- Different stages of SNRs as cosmic ray accelerator
- CTA will deliver more information on SNRs as cosmic ray accelerators
- We can survey most of SNRs in our galaxy → C.R. energetics  $\gamma$

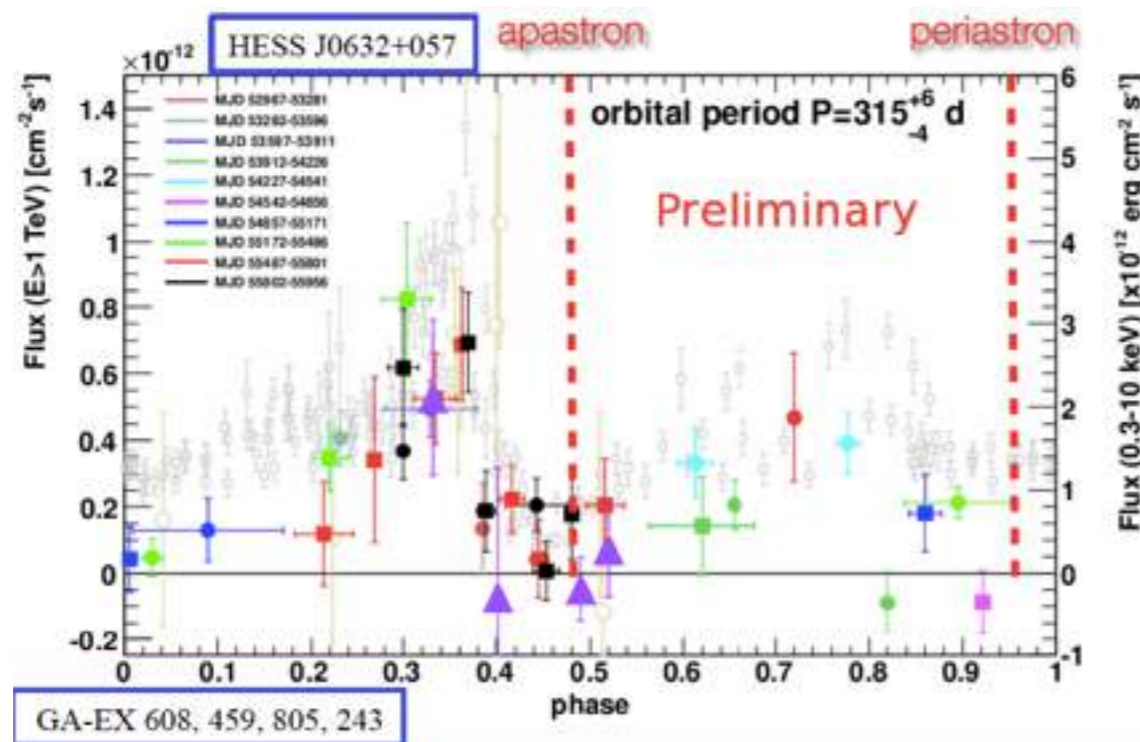
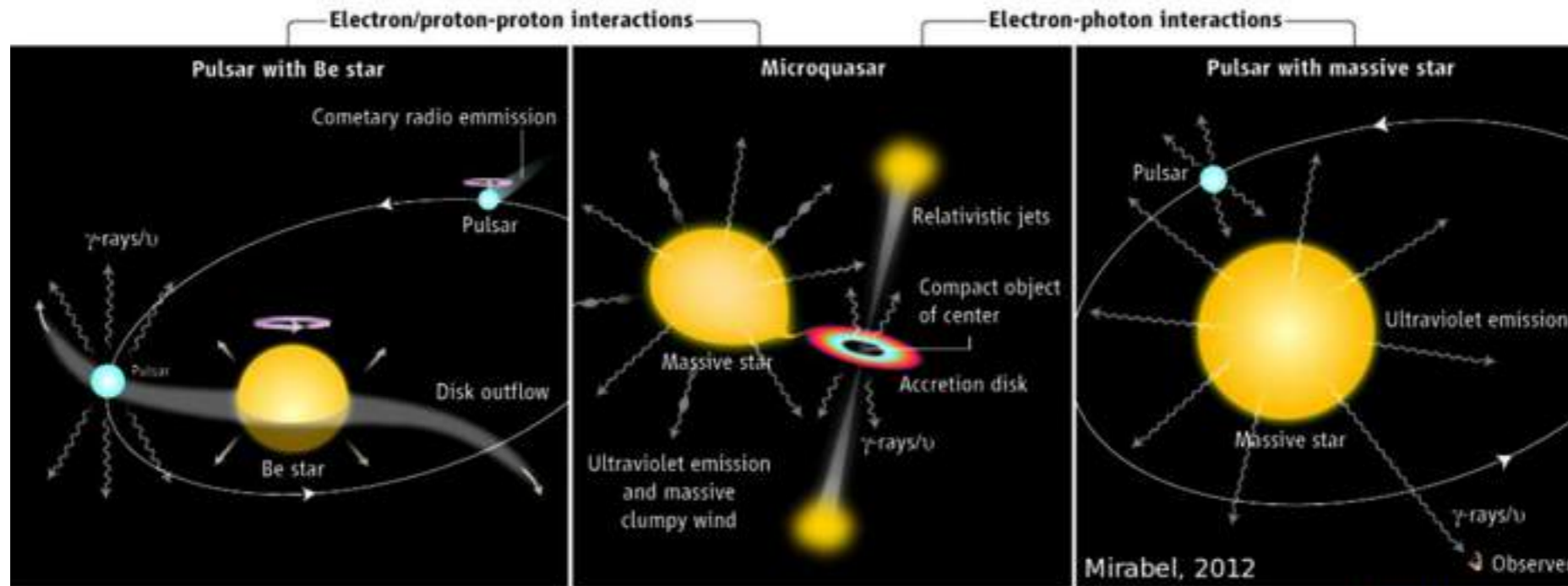
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## Super Nova Remnants as cosmic ray accelerators IC443 and W44, FERMI Collaboration (in Science)

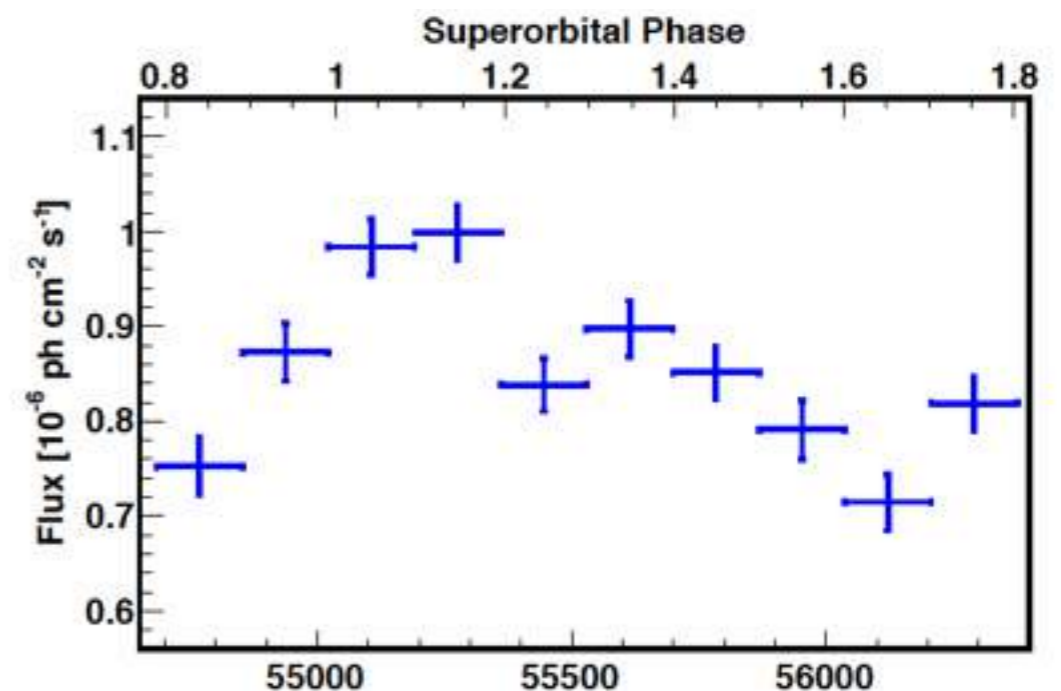


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## Gamma-ray Binary systems

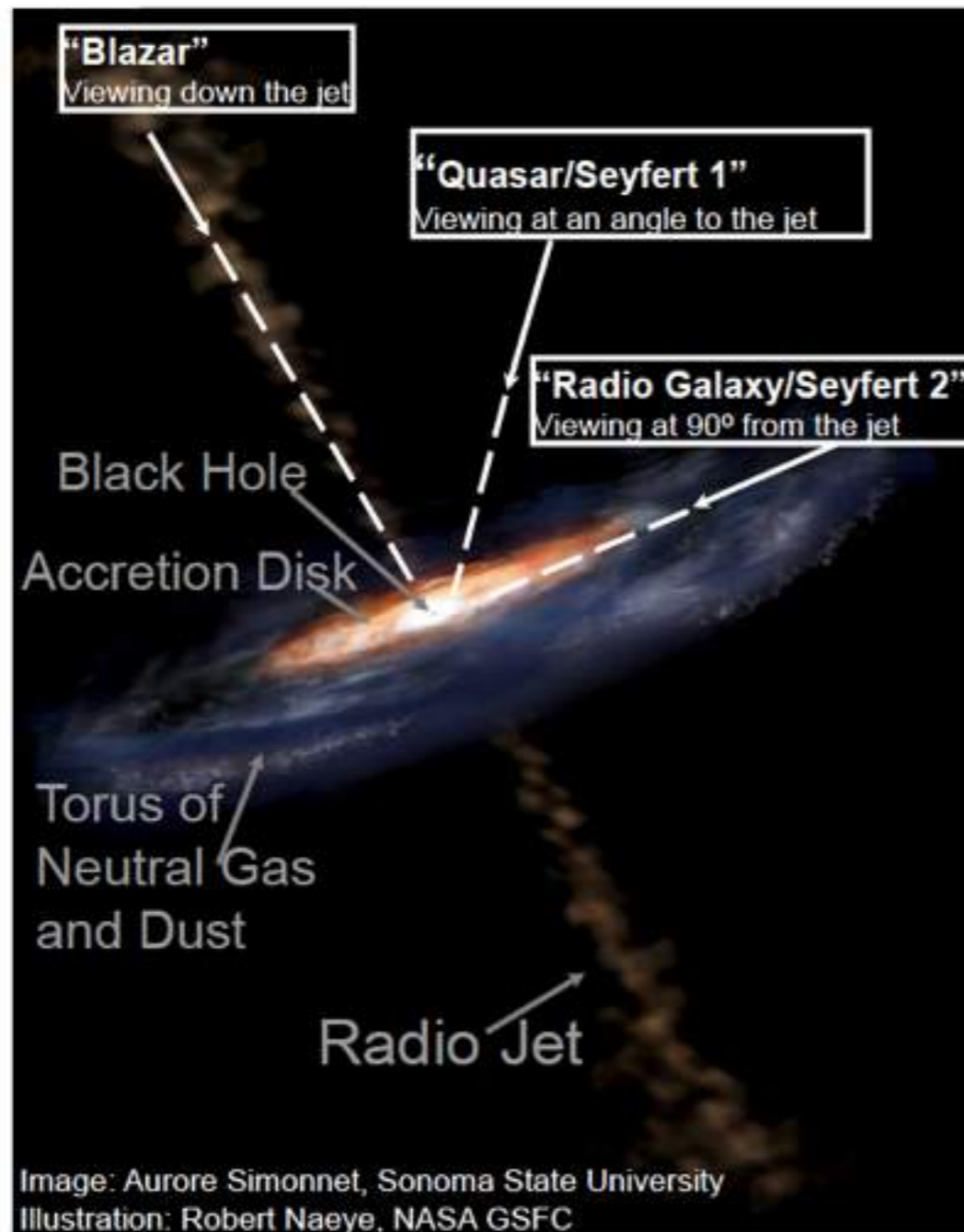


LSI +61 303 Superorbital Modulation!



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## Active Galaxies



### Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)

- High-luminosity extragalactic objects
  - Probe properties of the universe at large distances
- Highly variable !
- Jets powered by accretion on to supermassive BH

So far, AGN are generally:

- Blazars
  - Jets aligned with line of sight

But also radio galaxies (e.g M87)

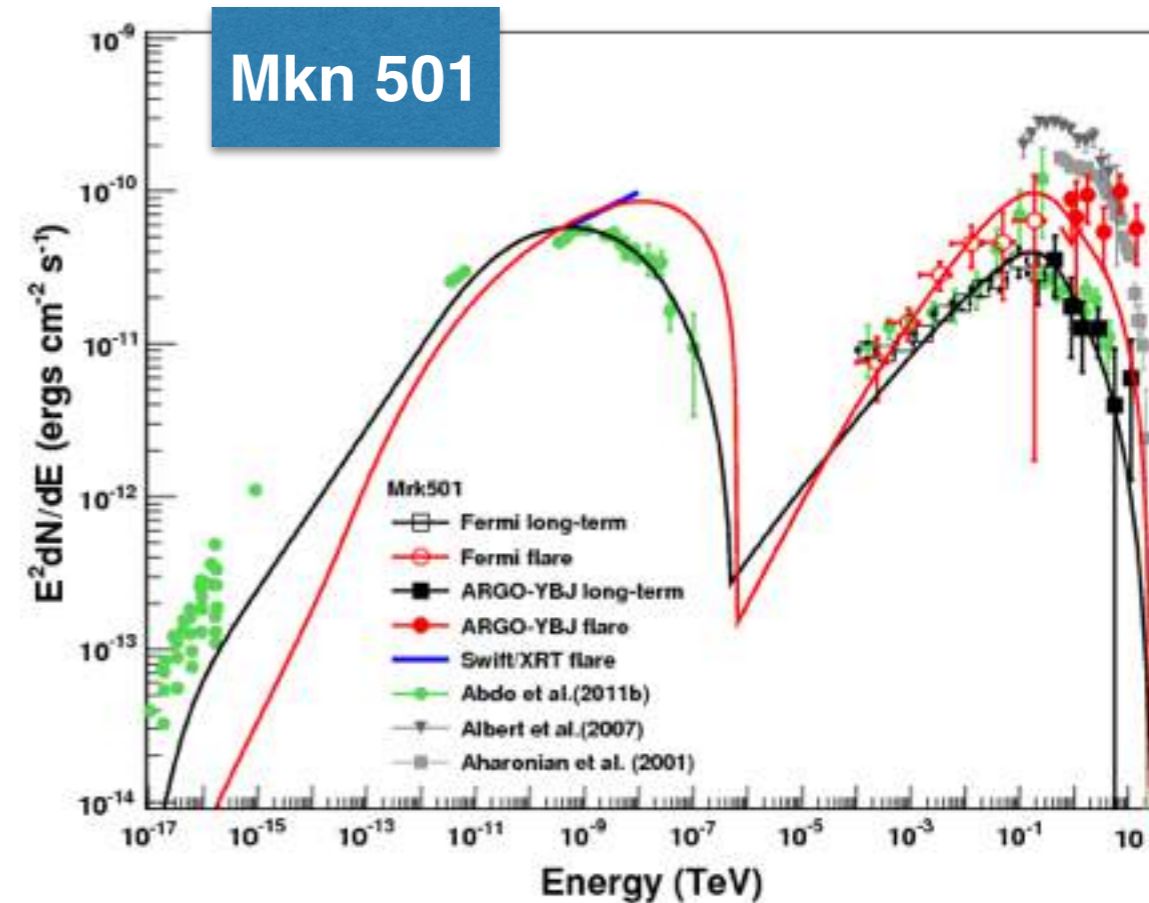
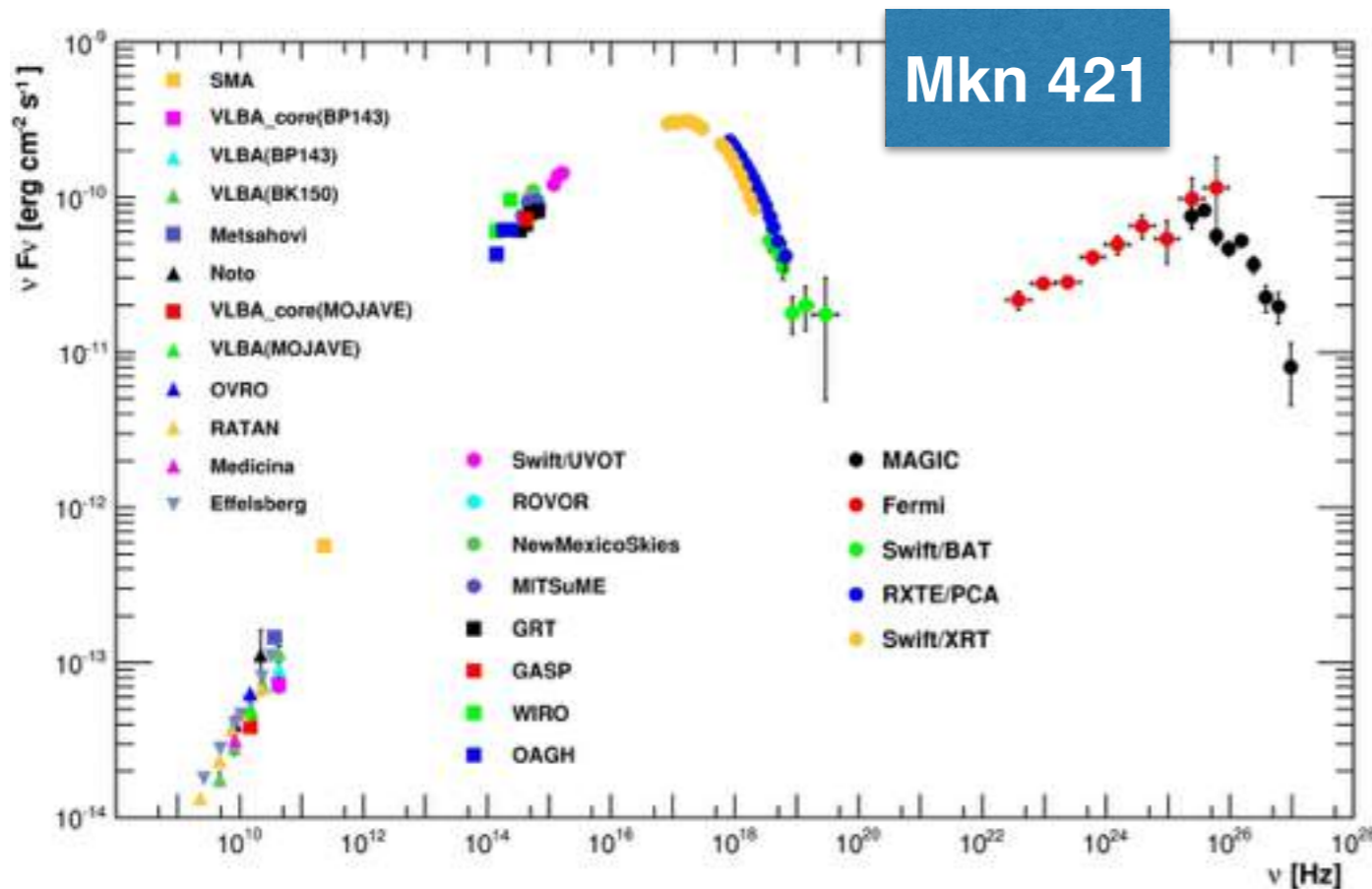
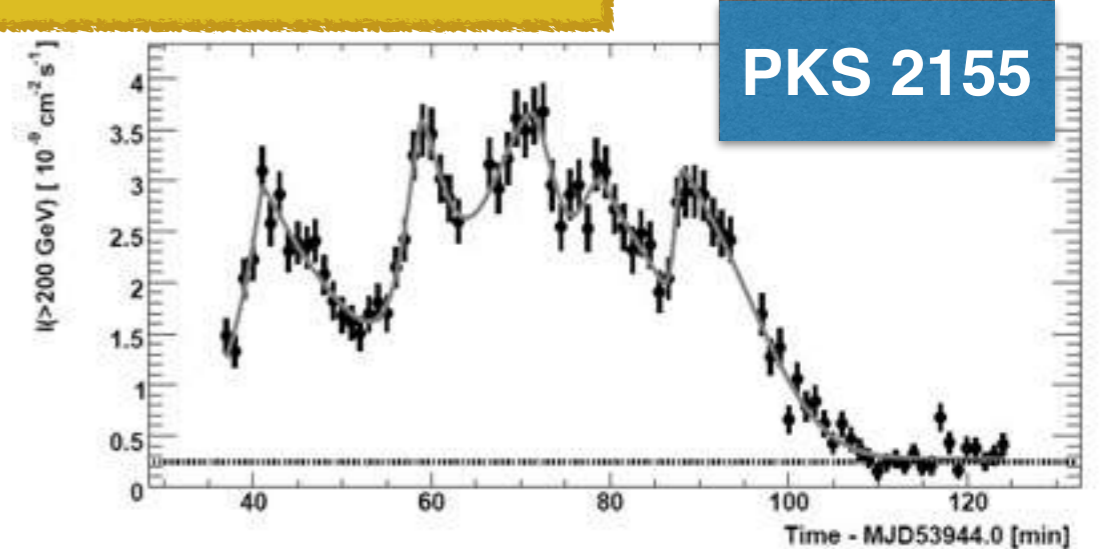
- Jet viewed from the side



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## BLAZARS

- Extremely variable on all time scales
- Relativistic jets with large Lorentz factors
- >1000 Fermi blazars, 60 in TeV regime



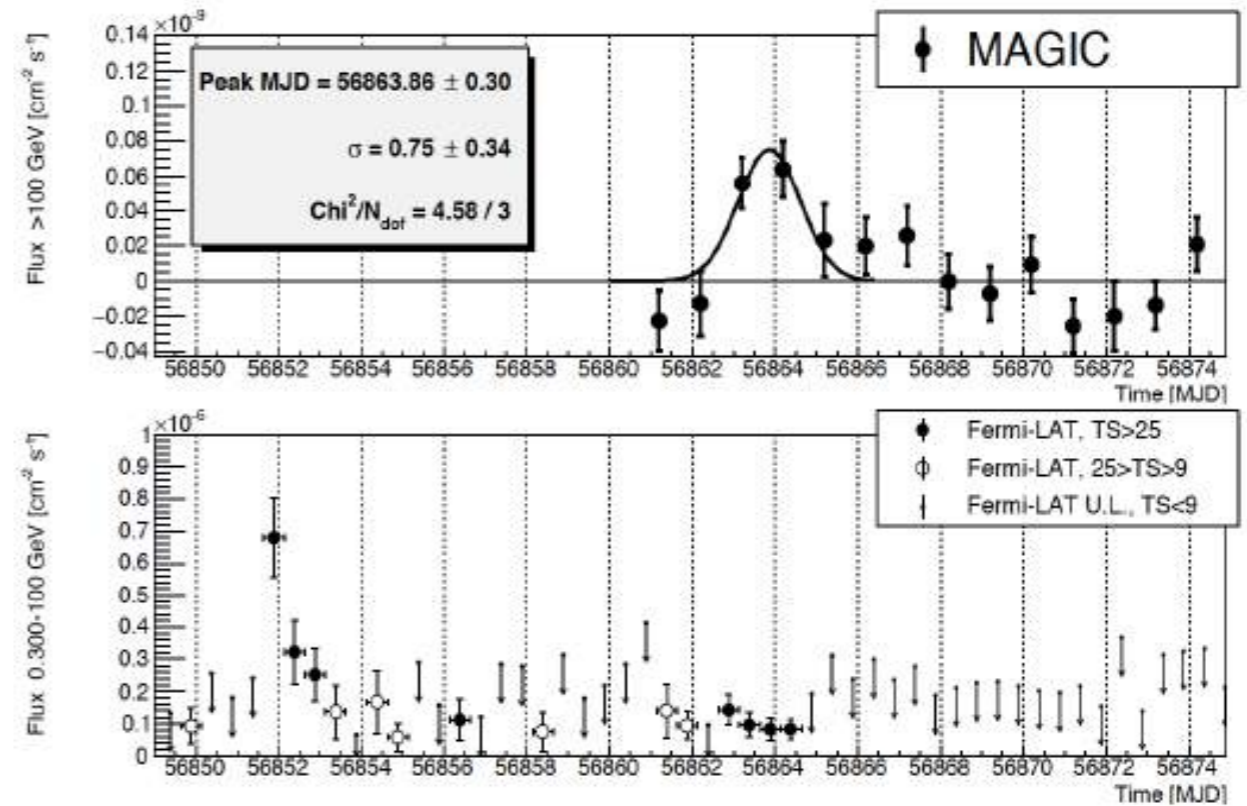
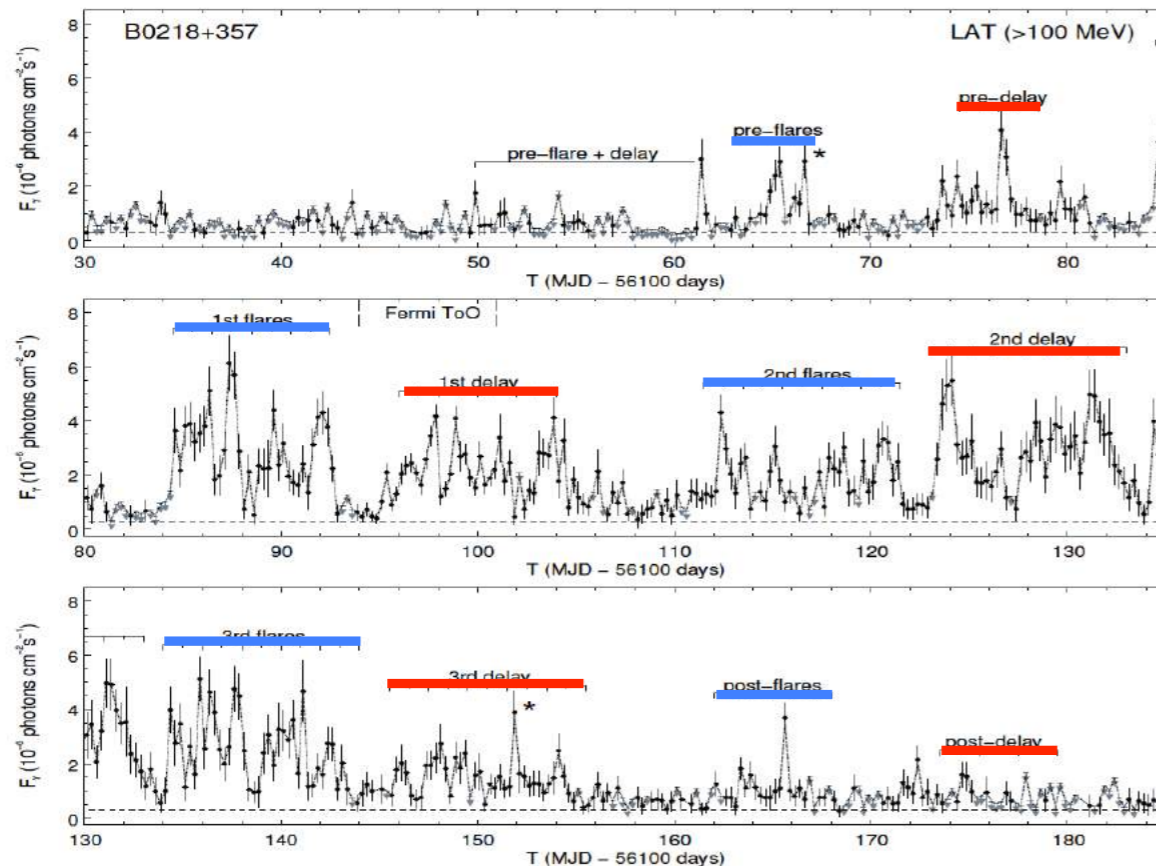
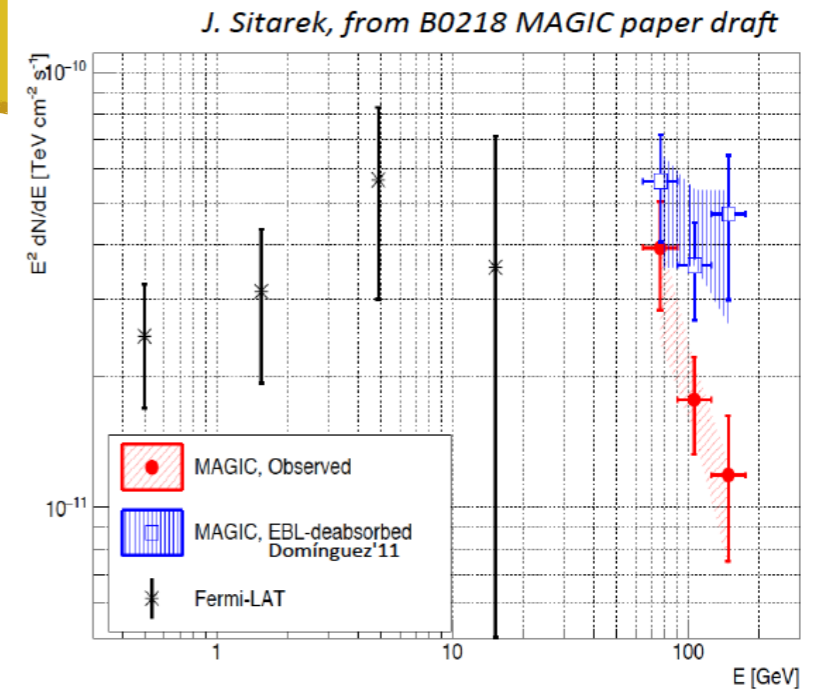
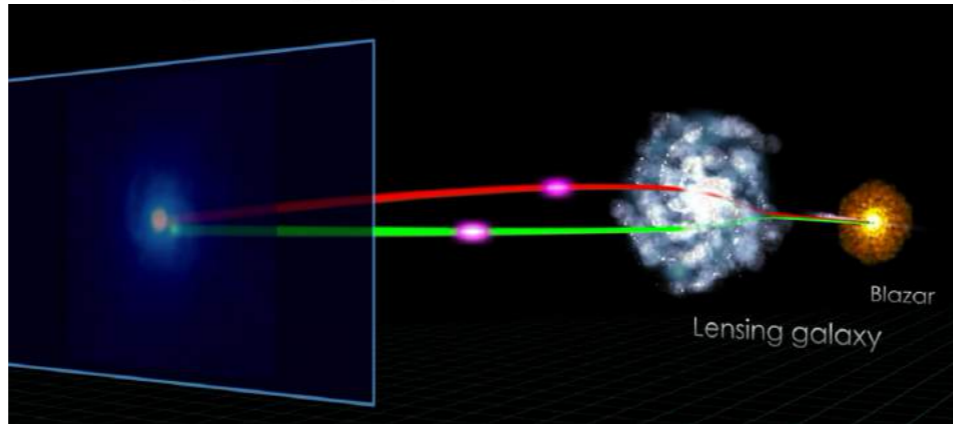
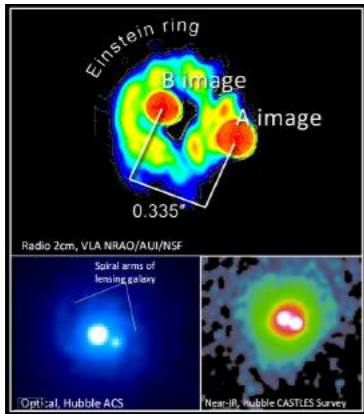
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FSRQ S3 0218+357  $z = 0.944$

## Discovery of Very High Energy Gamma-Ray Emission From Gravitationally Lensed Blazar S3 0218+357 With the MAGIC Telescopes

## BLAZARS

ATel #6349; **Razmik Mirzoyan (Max-Planck-Institute for Physics) On Behalf of the MAGIC Collaboration**  
 on 28 Jul 2014; 14:20 UT  
 Credential Certification: Razmik Mirzoyan (Razmik.Mirzoyan@mpp.mpg.de)



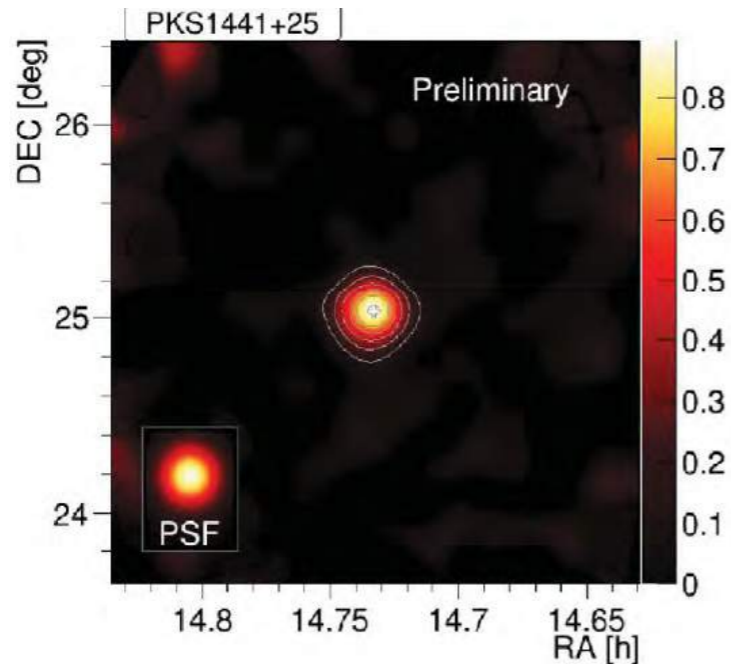
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## another $z \sim 1$ blazar in TeV!

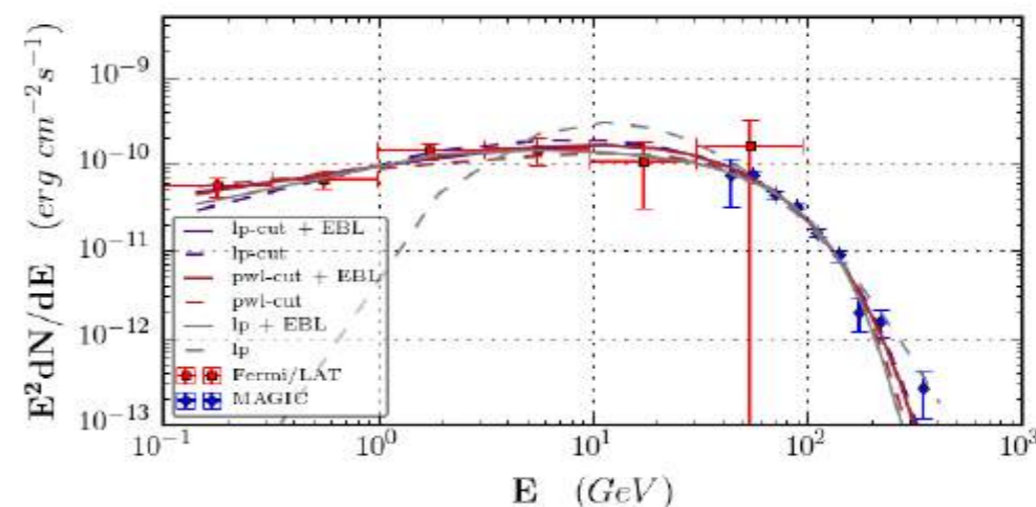
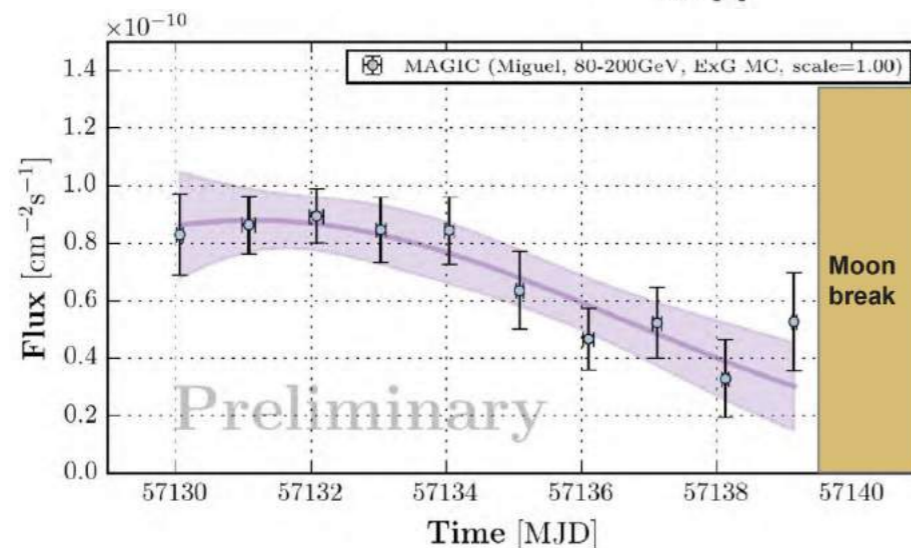
### Discovery of Very High Energy Gamma-Ray Emission from the distant FSRQ PKS 1441+25 with the MAGIC telescopes

ATel #7416; *R. Mirzoyan (Max-Planck-Institute for Physics)*  
on 20 Apr 2015; 02:09 UT

Credential Certification: Masahiro Teshima (mteshima@mppmu.mpg.de)



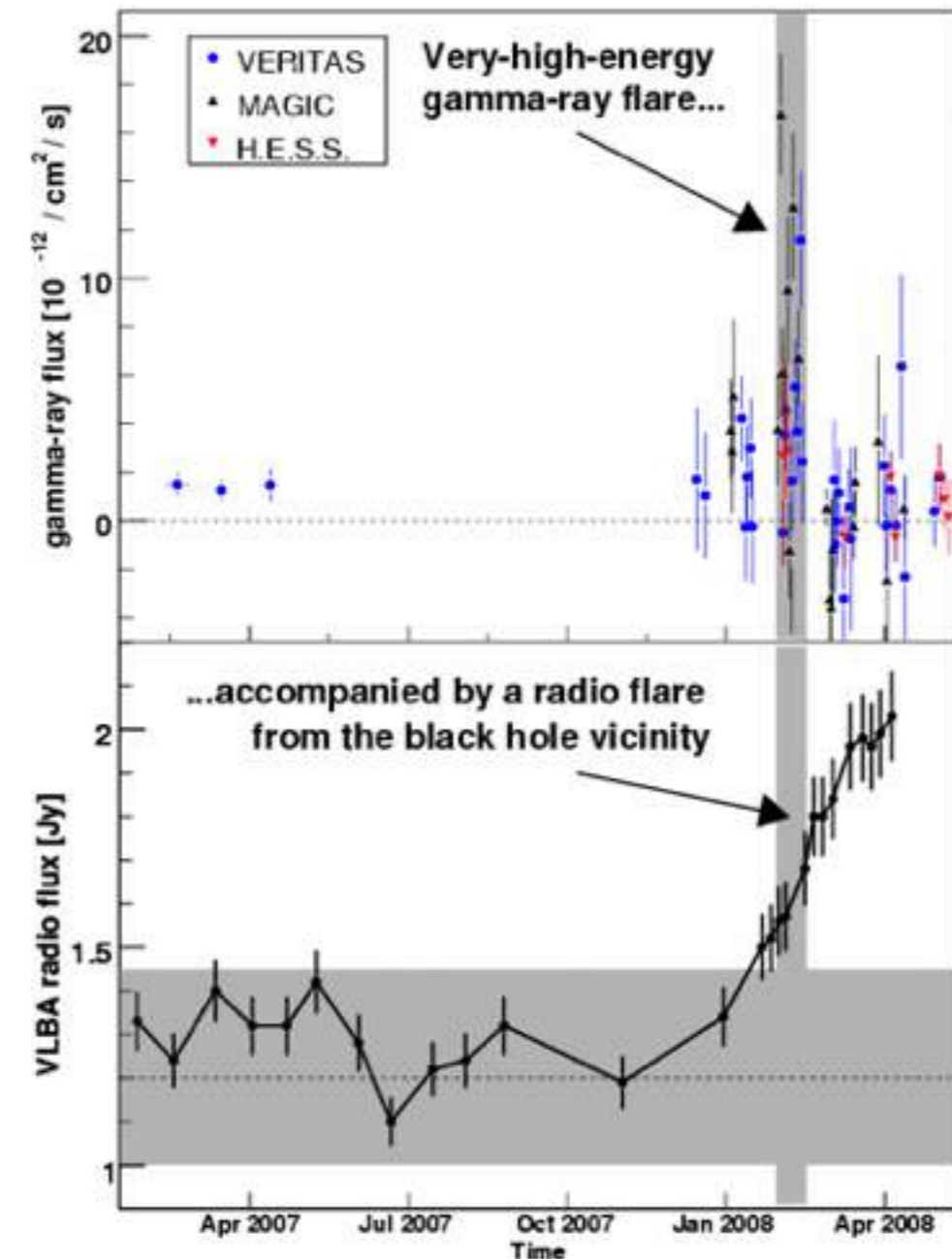
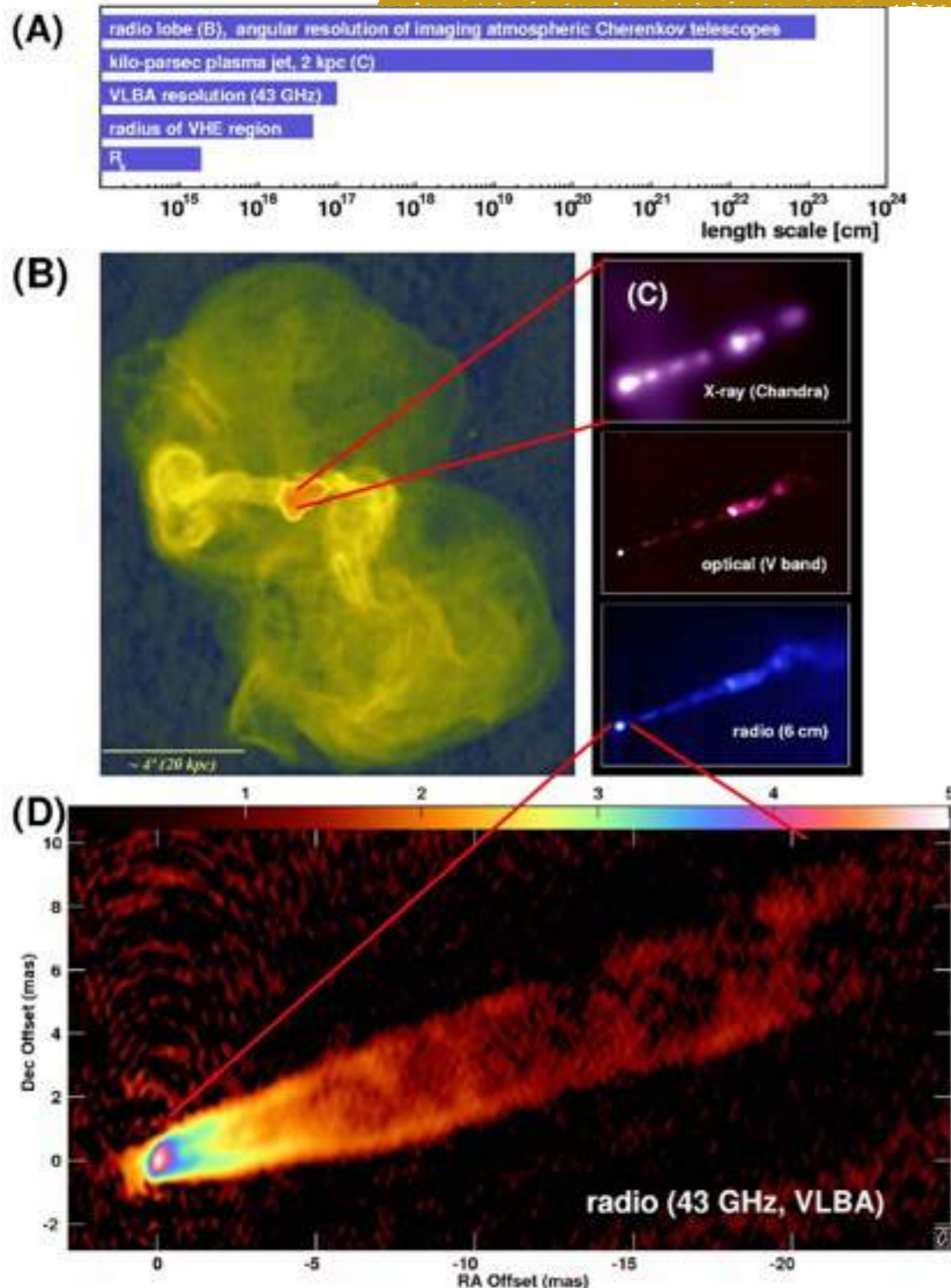
- PKS1441+25
  - Flat Spectrum Radio Quasar
  - $z = 0.939$
- MAGIC detection  
Significance  $\sim 25 \sigma$



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## Radio galaxies

- M87: best studied radio galaxy



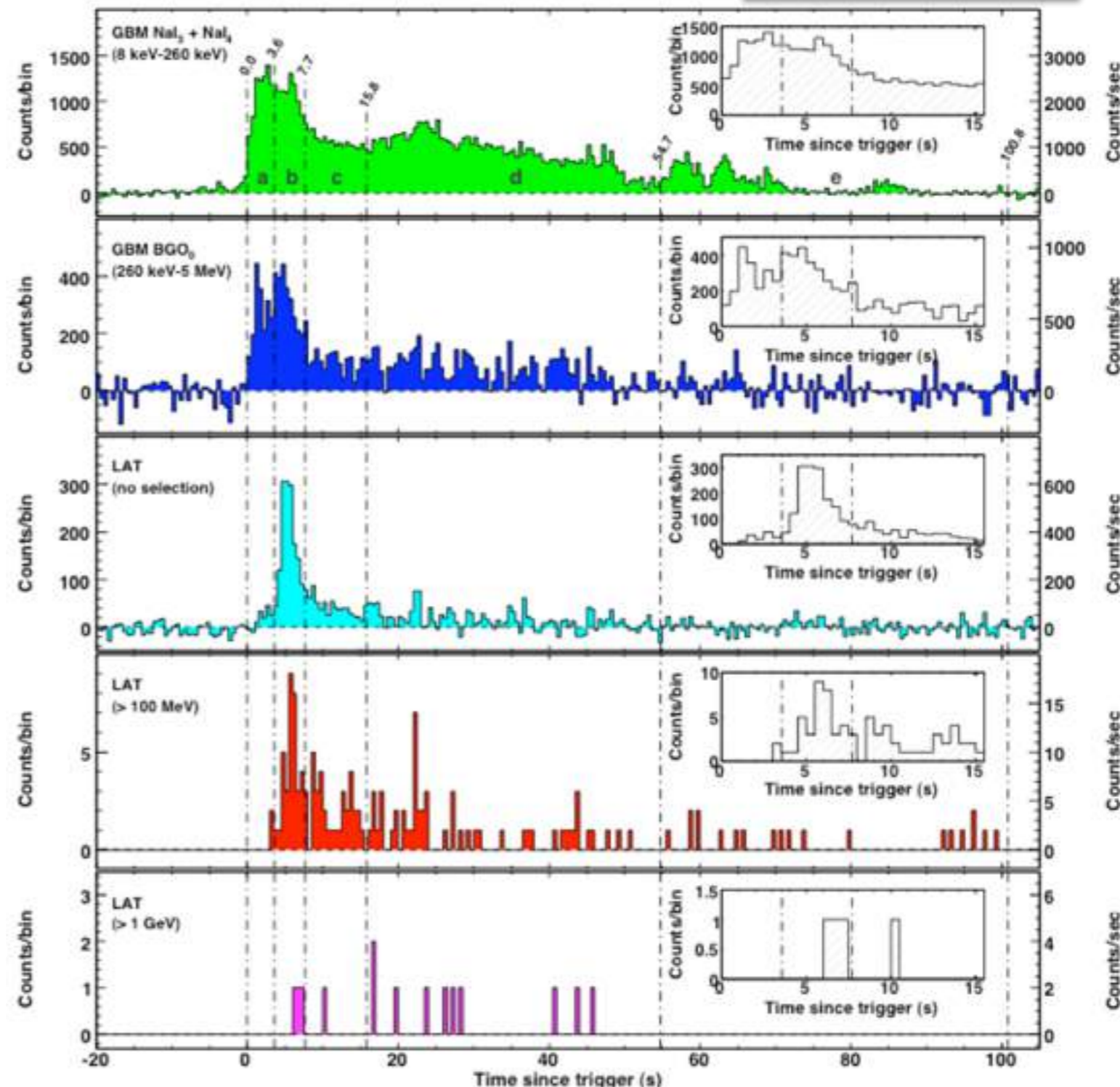
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## GRBs

GRB 080916C

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$$z = 4.35 \pm 0.15$$



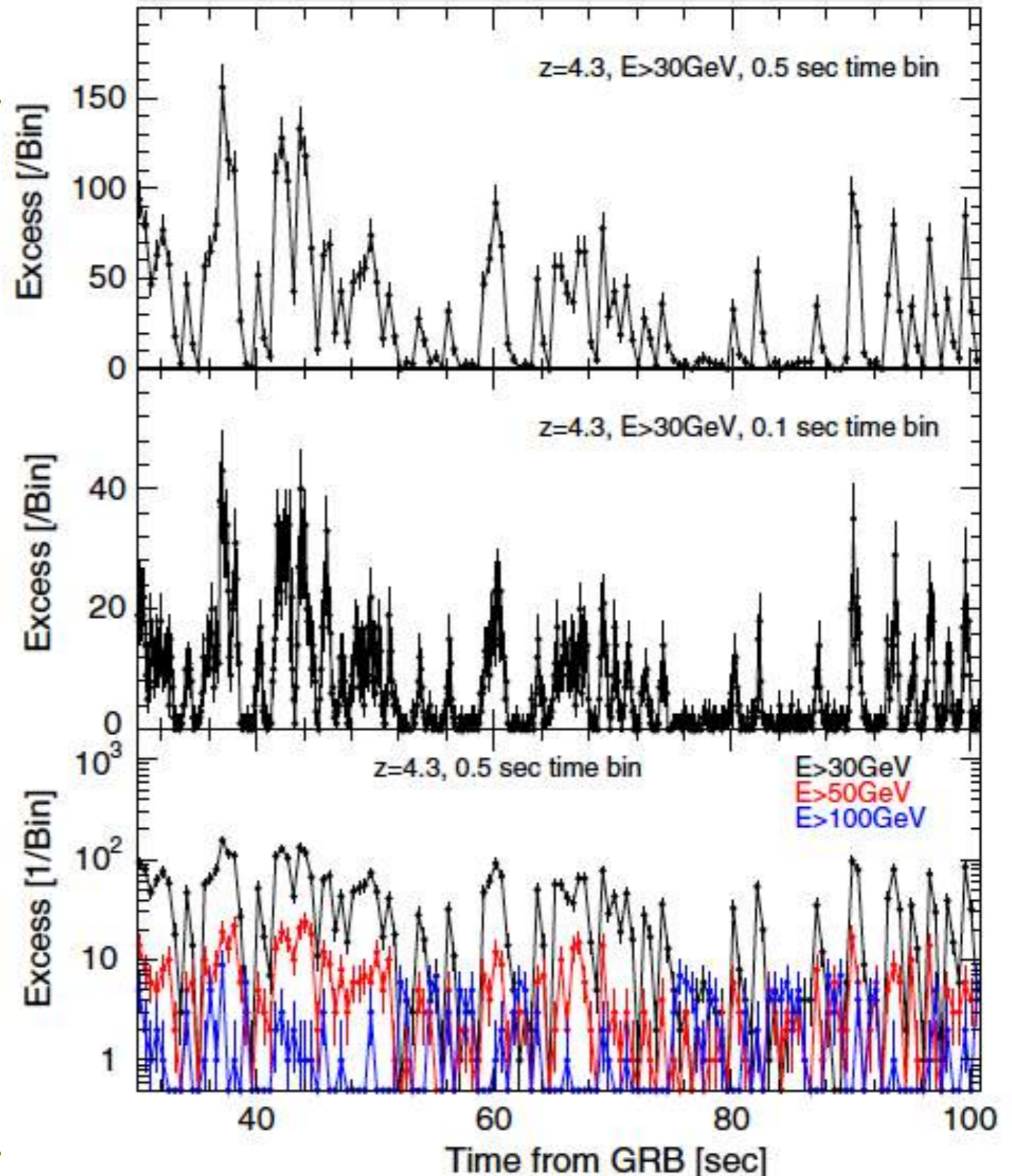
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## Simulation with CTA (LSTs)

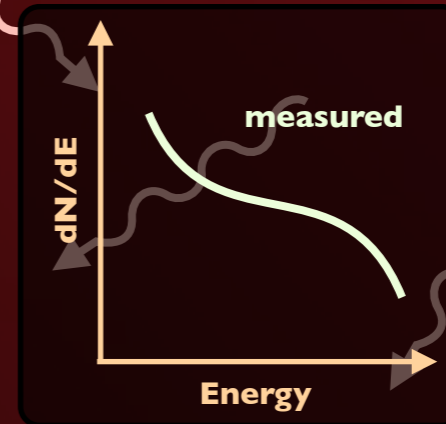
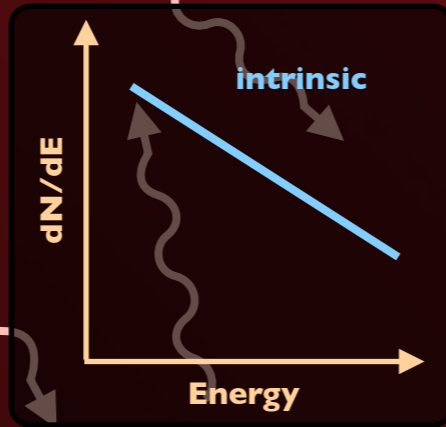


AGN

Stars and Dust  
in Galaxies

HE/VHE  $\gamma$ -Rays

UV/O/IR  
Photons



$e^+e^-$

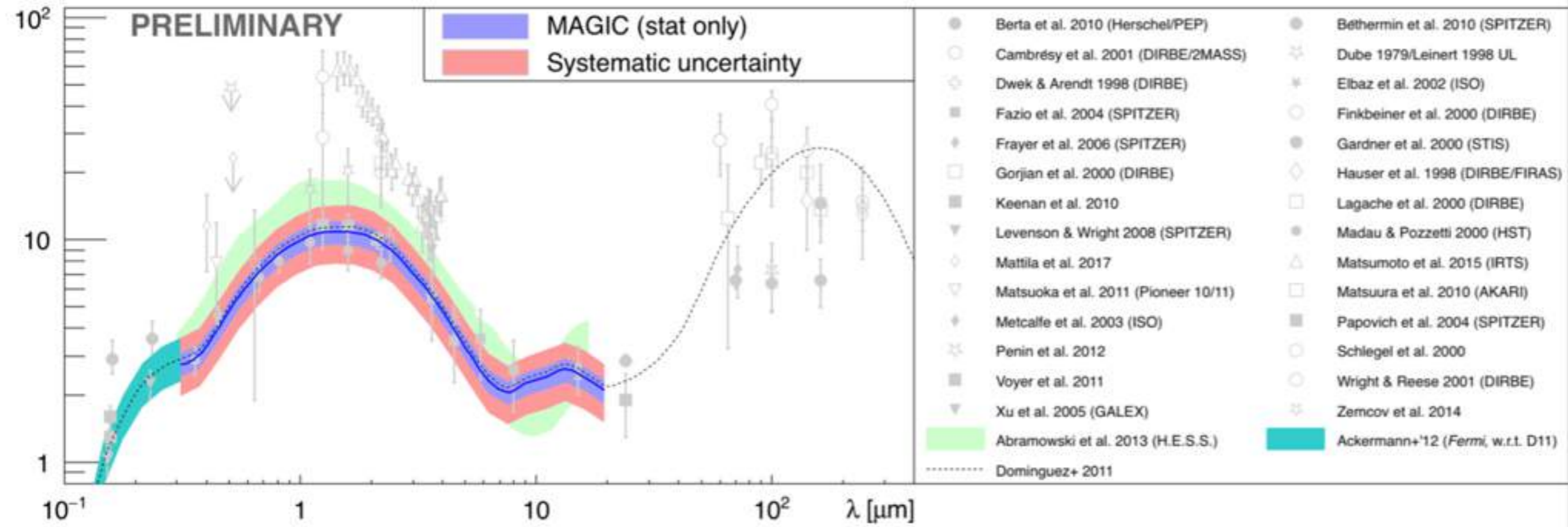
$$E_\gamma E_{\text{EBL}} \approx 4(m_e c^2)^2 \approx 1 \text{ MeV}^2$$

$$E_{\text{EBL}} \sim \text{eV} \rightarrow E_\gamma \sim \text{TeV}$$



# 4. What do we learn from gamma rays?

## Extragalactic Background Light



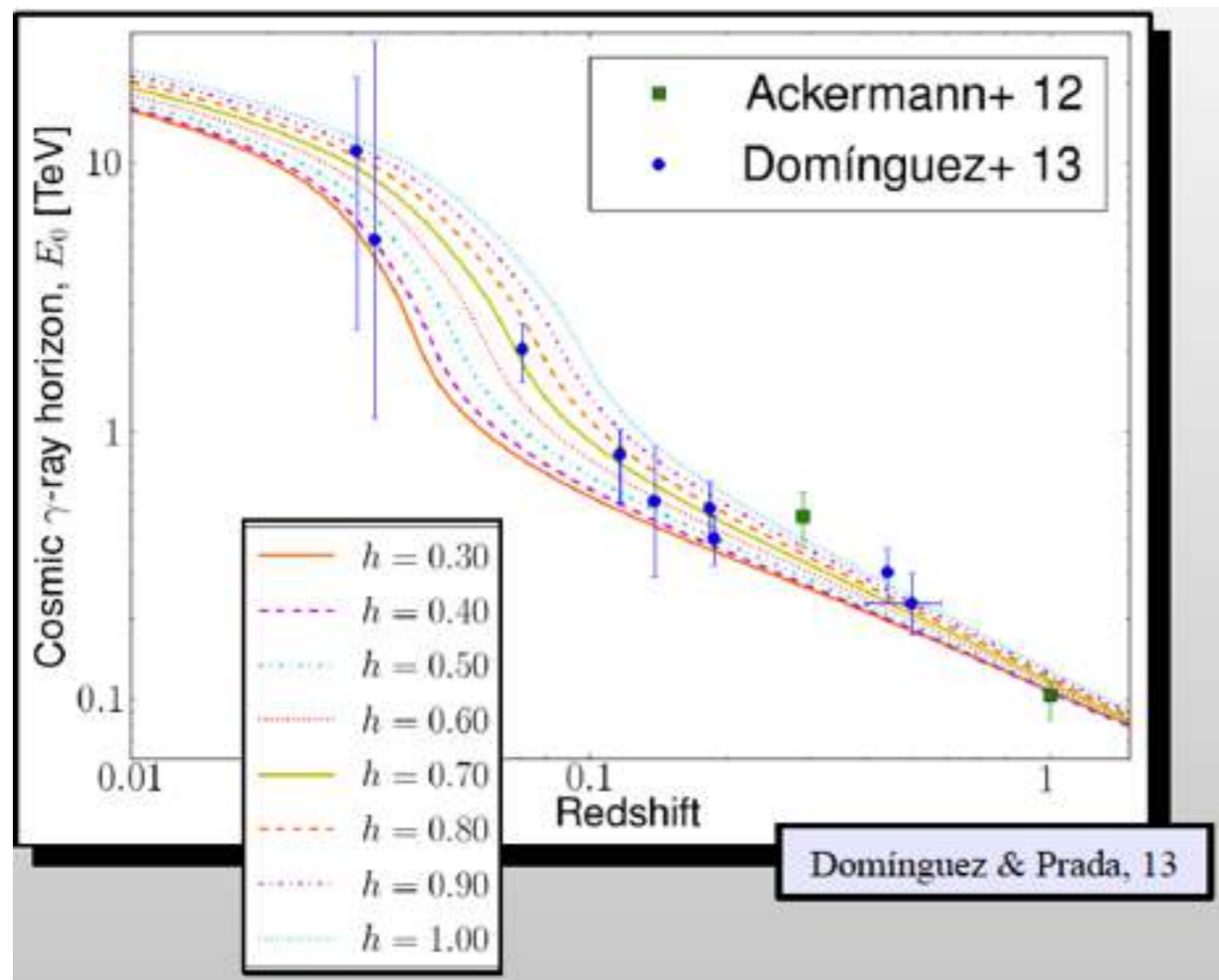
- Compared to other gamma-based EBL scale measurements
- Good agreement with HESS and Fermi-LAT measurements

Not much more EBL than the one from the resolved galaxies



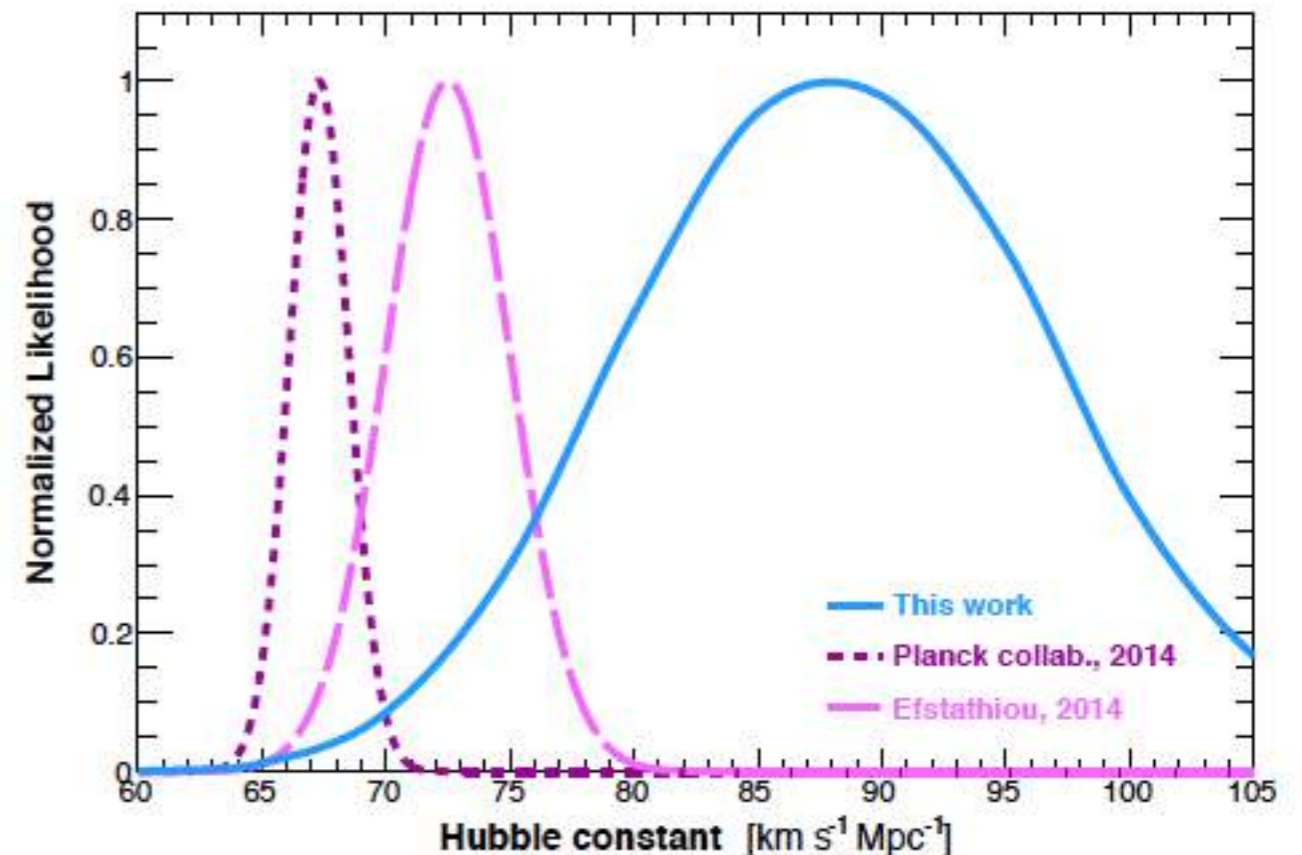
# 4. What do we learn from gamma rays?

## 4.3 Observational cosmology: Hubble constant



$$H_0 = (72 \pm 5_{\text{stat}} \pm 10_{\text{syst}}) \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

### Biteau&Williams (2015)



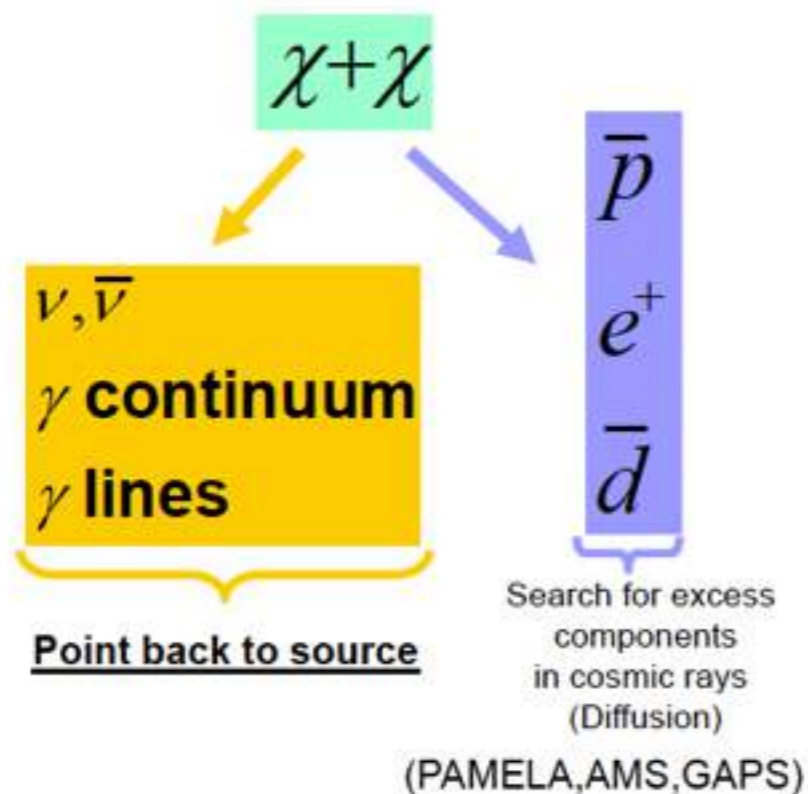
$$H_0 = (88 \pm 8_{\text{stat}} \pm 13_{\text{syst}}) \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

# 4. What do we learn from gamma rays?

## Search for Cold Dark Matter

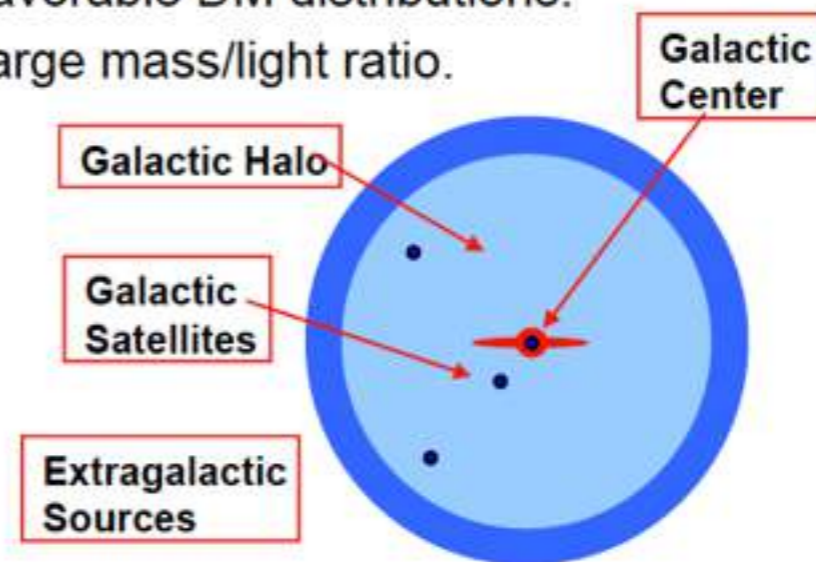
Hypothesis: DM = WIMPs

- Indirect detection of WIMP annihilation  $\rightarrow \gamma, \nu$  etc.



Target regions with:

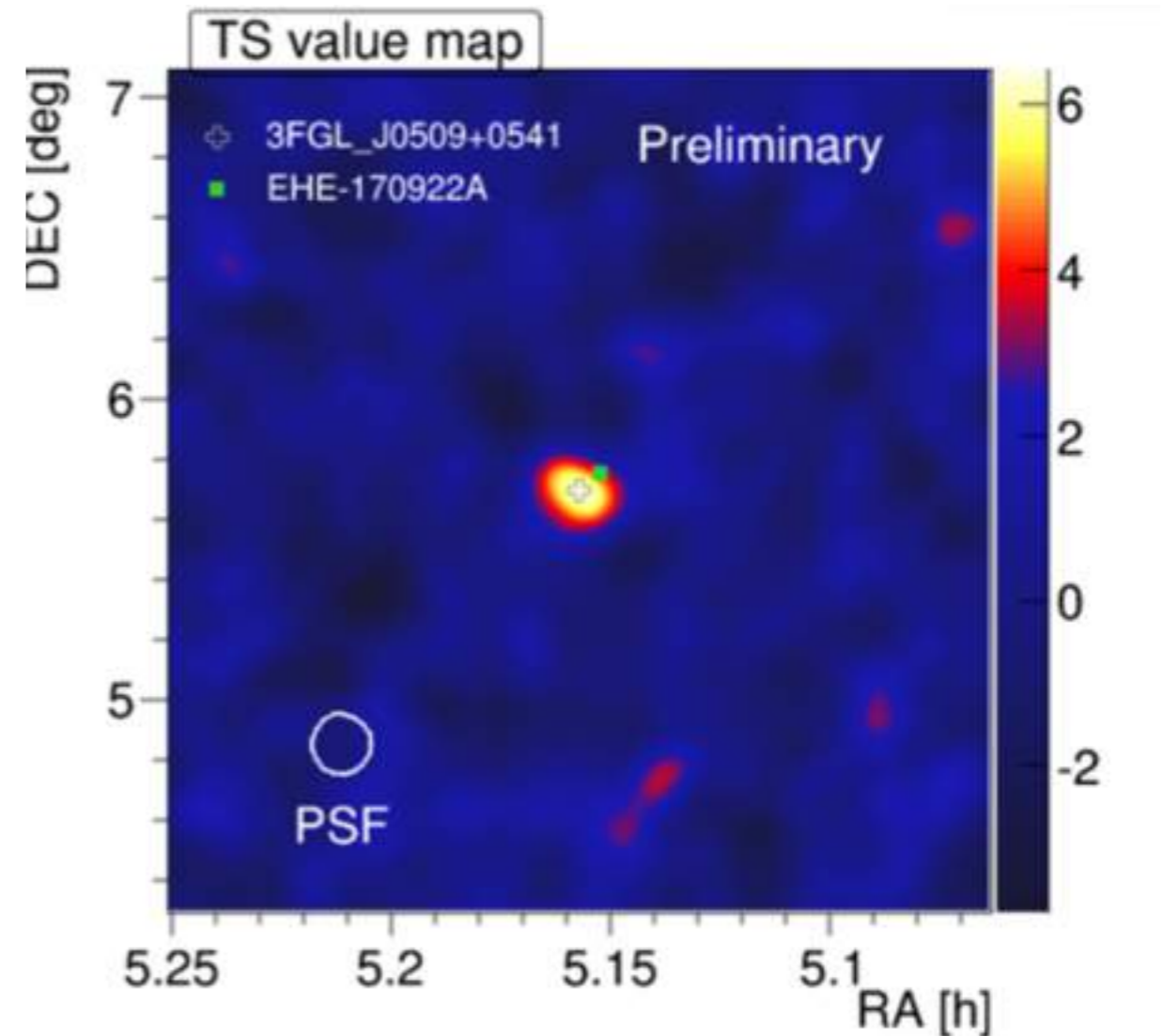
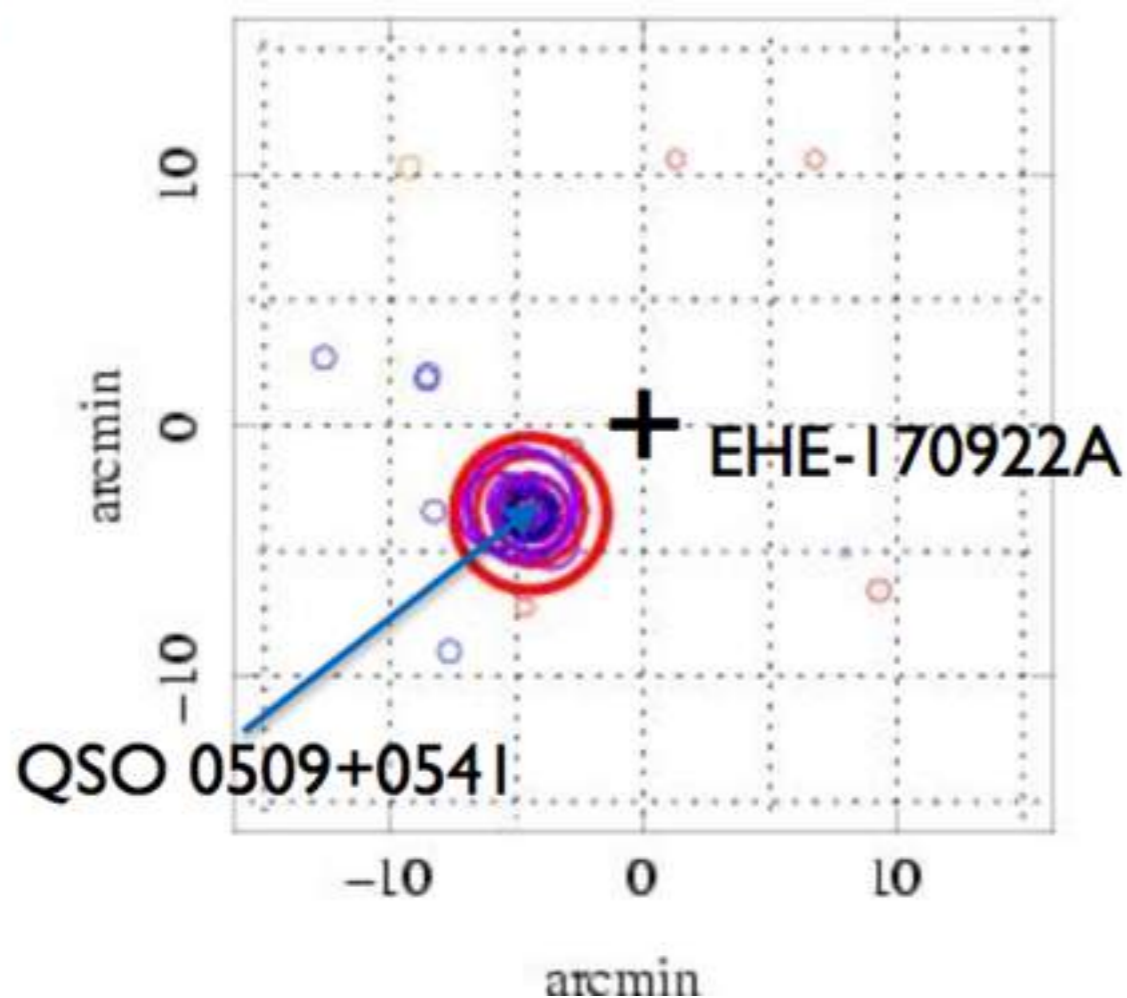
- Favorable DM distributions.
- Large mass/light ratio.



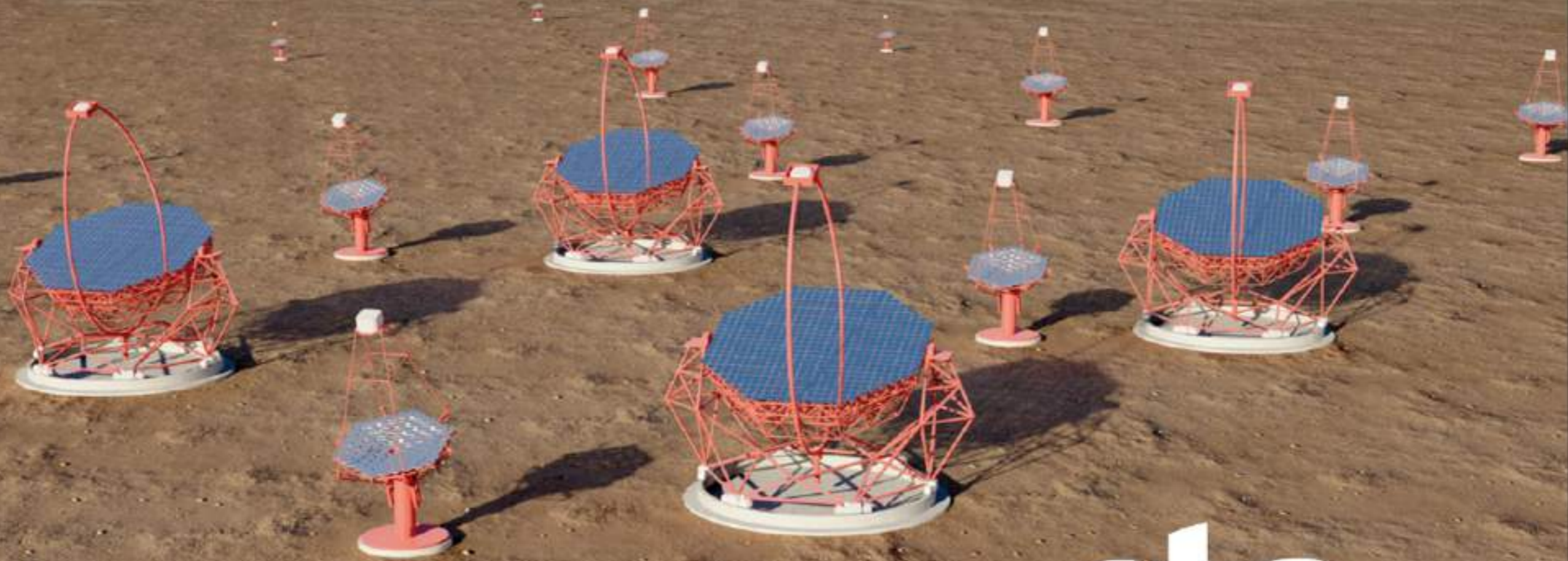
**Complementary approach to direct detection & LHC  
Goal is to do DM astronomy !**

# Multimessenger

- September 2017: TXS0506+056 ( $z=0.3365$ ) in flaring state coinciding with Extremely High Energy (EHE, through-going track)  $\nu$  event
- Chance coincidence or proof of hadronic emission?



# THE NEXT BIG STEP: THE CHERENKOV TELESCOPE ARRAY



**10 fold improvement in sensitivity**  
**10 fold improvement in usable energy range**  
**much larger field of view**  
**strongly improved angular resolution**

**cta**

cherenkov telescope array

### Low-energy section:

- 4 x 23 m tel. (LST)
- Parabolic reflector
- FOV: 4-5 degrees
- energy threshold of some 10 GeV

### Core-energy array:

- 23 x 12 m tel. (MST)
- Davies-Cotton reflector
- FOV: 7-8 degrees
- mCrab sensitivity in the 100 GeV–10 TeV domain

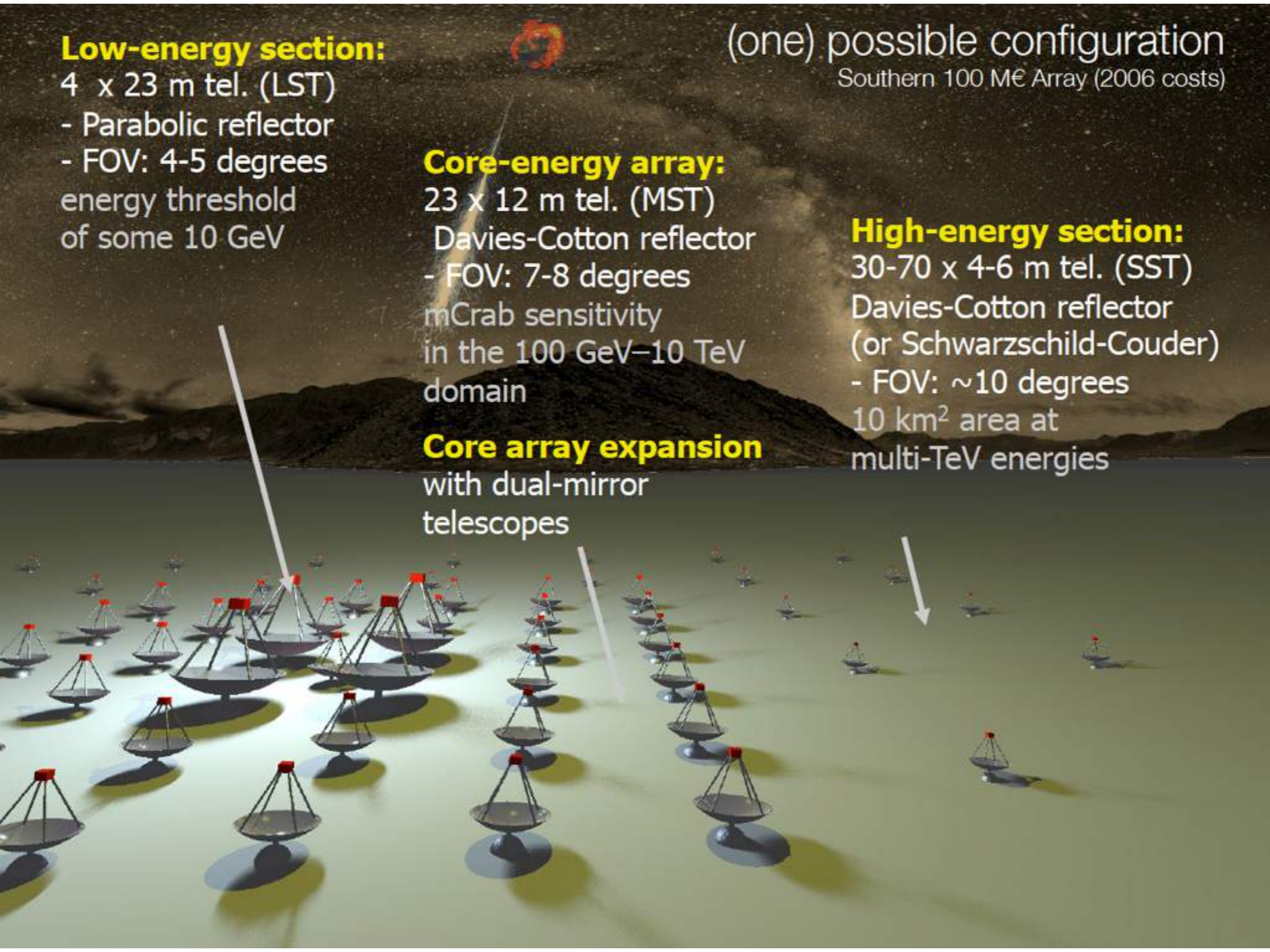
**Core array expansion**  
with dual-mirror telescopes

(one) possible configuration

Southern 100 M€ Array (2006 costs)

### High-energy section:

- 30-70 x 4-6 m tel. (SST)
- Davies-Cotton reflector (or Schwarzschild-Couder)
- FOV: ~10 degrees
- 10 km<sup>2</sup> area at multi-TeV energies



# Cherenkov Telescope Array



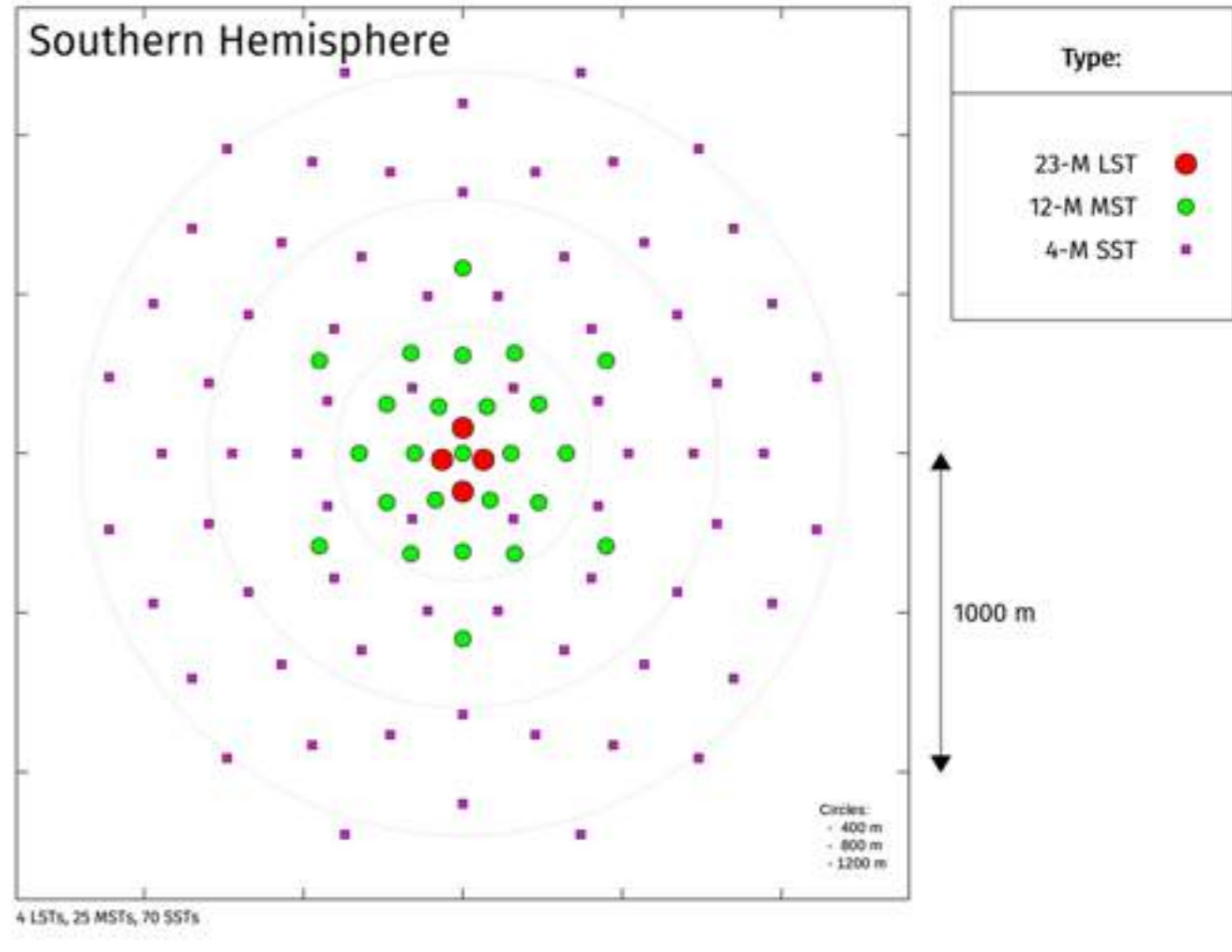
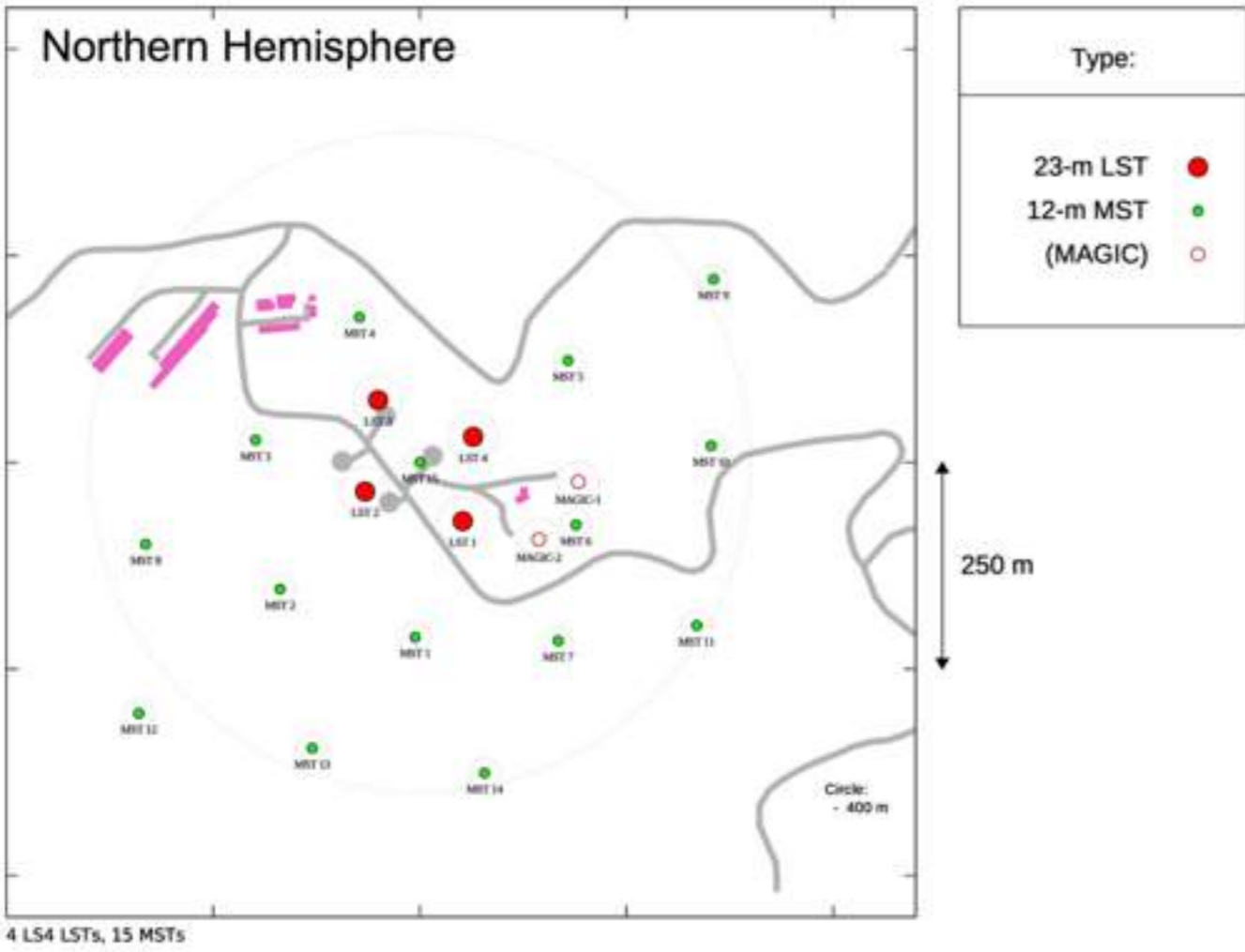
# Two CTA Sites in South and North decided July 2015



# 5. Future of Gamma-Ray astrophysics

## La Palma, Canary islands

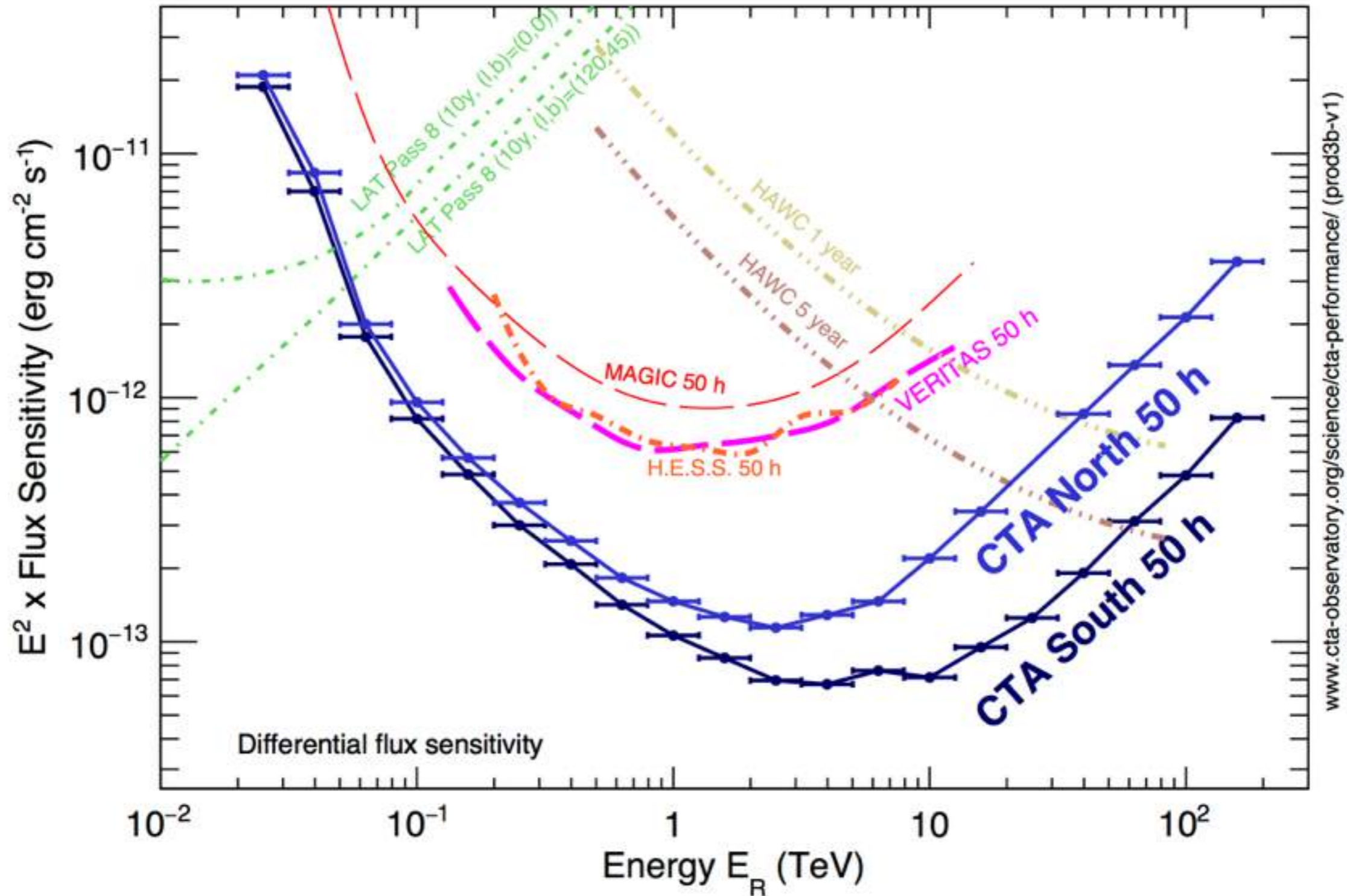
## Paranal, Chile



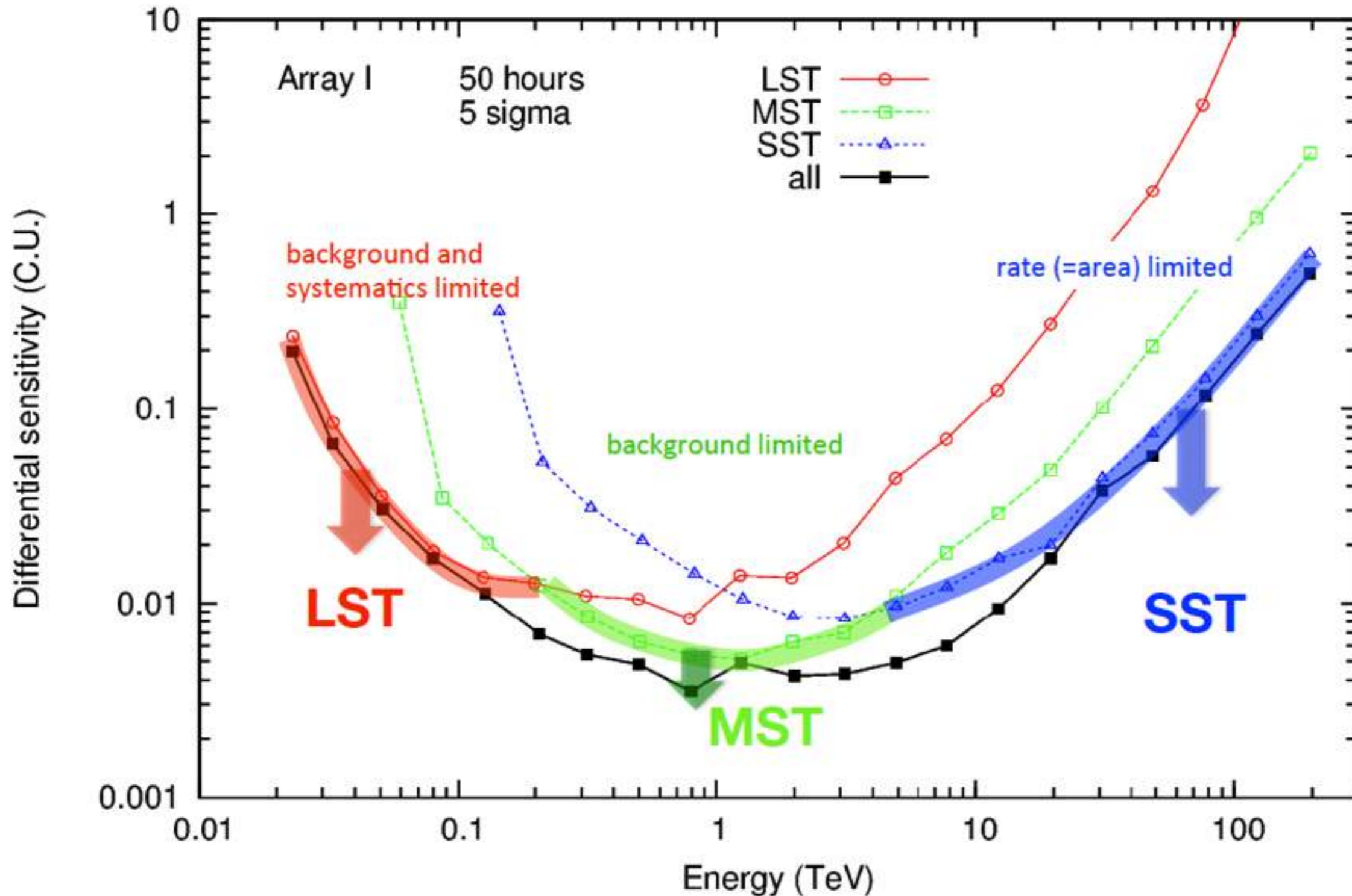


# 5. Future of Gamma-Ray astrophysics

## Flux Sensitivities



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## Large Size Telescopes of CTA

LST collaboration:  
11 countries  
223 members  
(134 receiving emails)  
73 FTEs



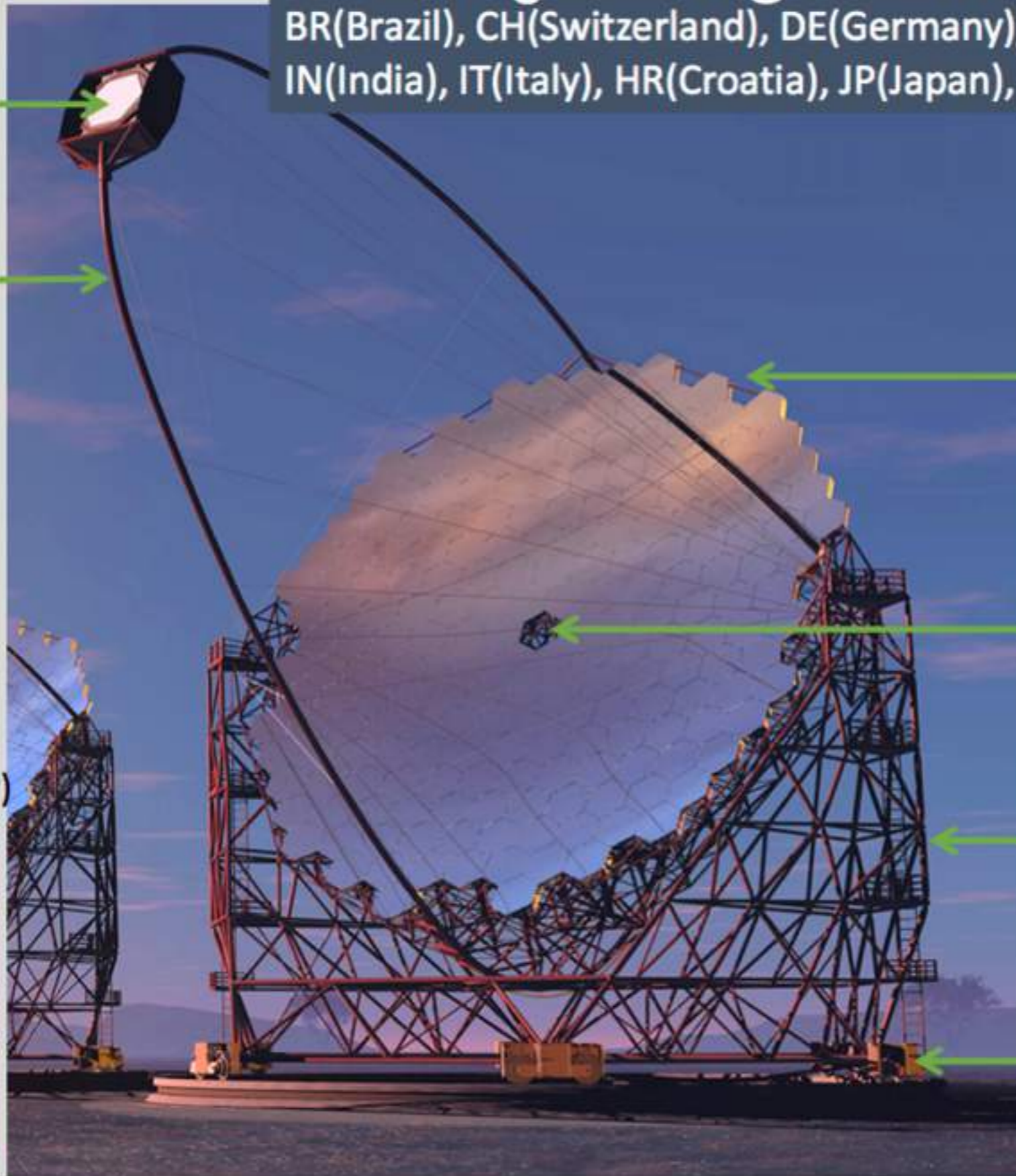
# LST Project : Big International Effort

BR(Brazil), CH(Switzerland), DE(Germany), ES(Spain), FR(France), IN(India), IT(Italy), HR(Croatia), JP(Japan), SE(Sweden)

**Focal Plane Instr.  
Electronics (JP/IT/ES)  
Camera body (ES)**

**Camera Supporting  
Structure (FR/IT)**

**Flywheel, UPS (JP)  
Computers, network (JP)**



**Mirror (JP)  
Interface Plate(DE/BR/JP)  
Actuator (JP/CH)  
CMOS-Cam (JP)**

**Star Guider (SE)  
Calibration Box (IN/IT)**

**Structure (DE)  
Access Tower (DE/ES)**

**Drive (DE/FR/ES)  
Bogie (DE/ES/IT)  
Rail (DE/ES)  
Foundation (ES)**

# Mirrors



cherenkov  
telescope  
array

ICRR, Japan



ICRR, U.Tokyo

Developed last 6 years

- Light weight 45kg
- Tolerance  $< 10\mu\text{m}$
- Reflectivity  $> 92\%$
- Aging  $\sim 1\% / \text{yr}$

Before 2016 : 100 Mirror proto.  
2016 : LST1-LST2 Mirrors (400)  
2017 : LST3-LST4 Mirrors (500)  
produced and in production

Mirca, La Palma

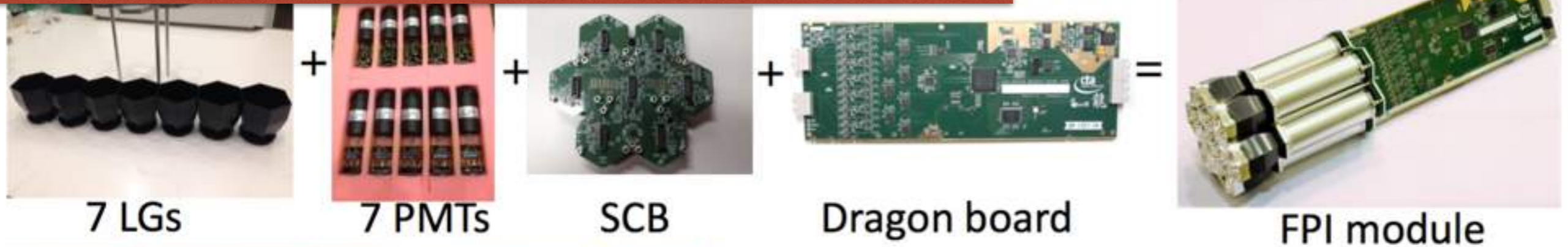


## Shipping schedule

2017 Aug : LST1-2 Mirrors (400 units) @La Palma  
2017 Oct: LST3 (200 units) are shipped  
2017 Dec : LST4-5 Mirrors (300 units)

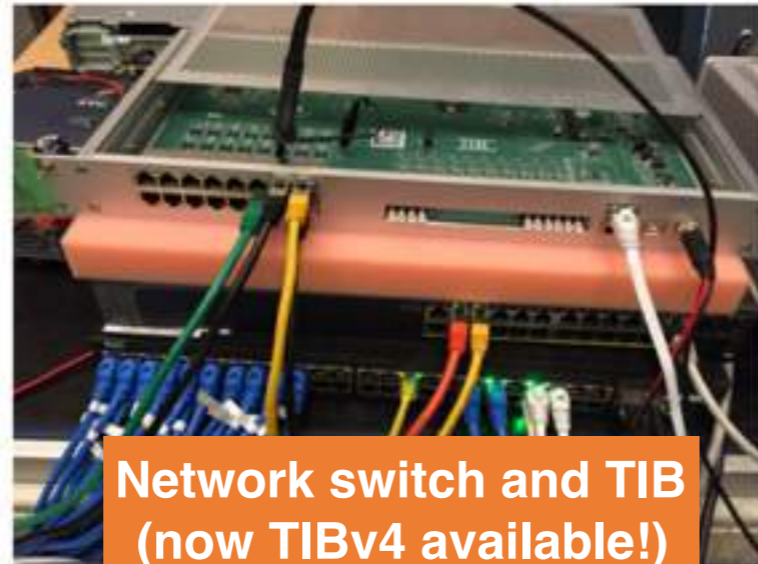
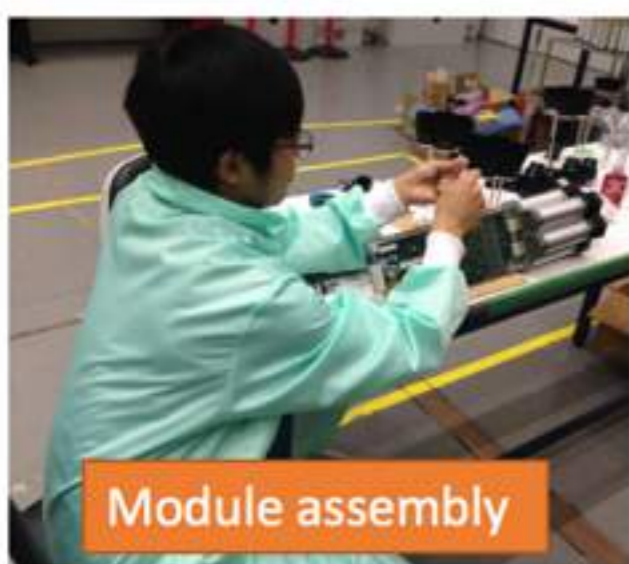
# Camera

Japan + INFN-Pisa + IAC + IFAE + Complutense + CIEMAT



265 modules/ Tel.  
needed.

270 modules are  
assembled @ IAC

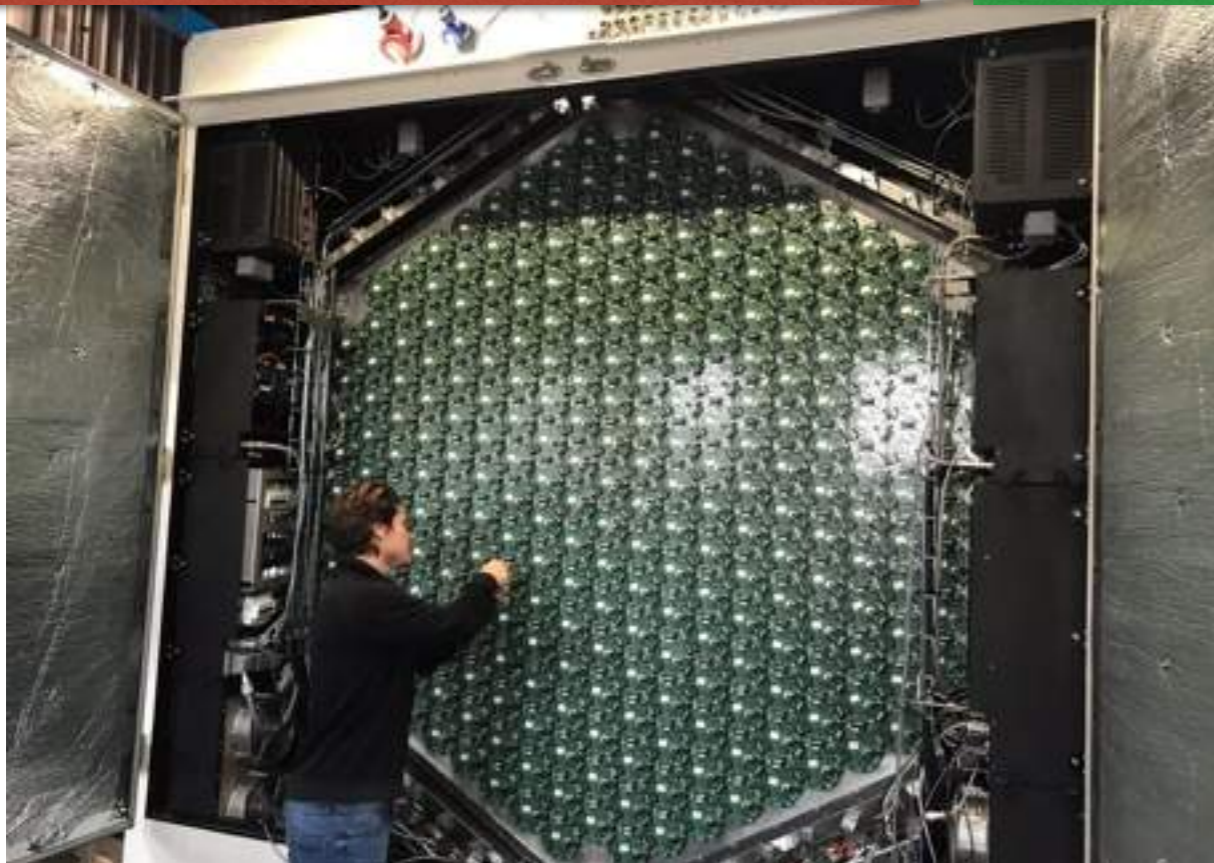


Now ready  
to ship  
to IFAE

# LST1 progress since November 2017

Backplanes of the camera installed

Jan 2018



Camera mechanics finished

Feb 2018



Onsite IT computer center physically installed

Dec 2017



Power Network ready

Dec 2017



Diesel

ATS, Transformer

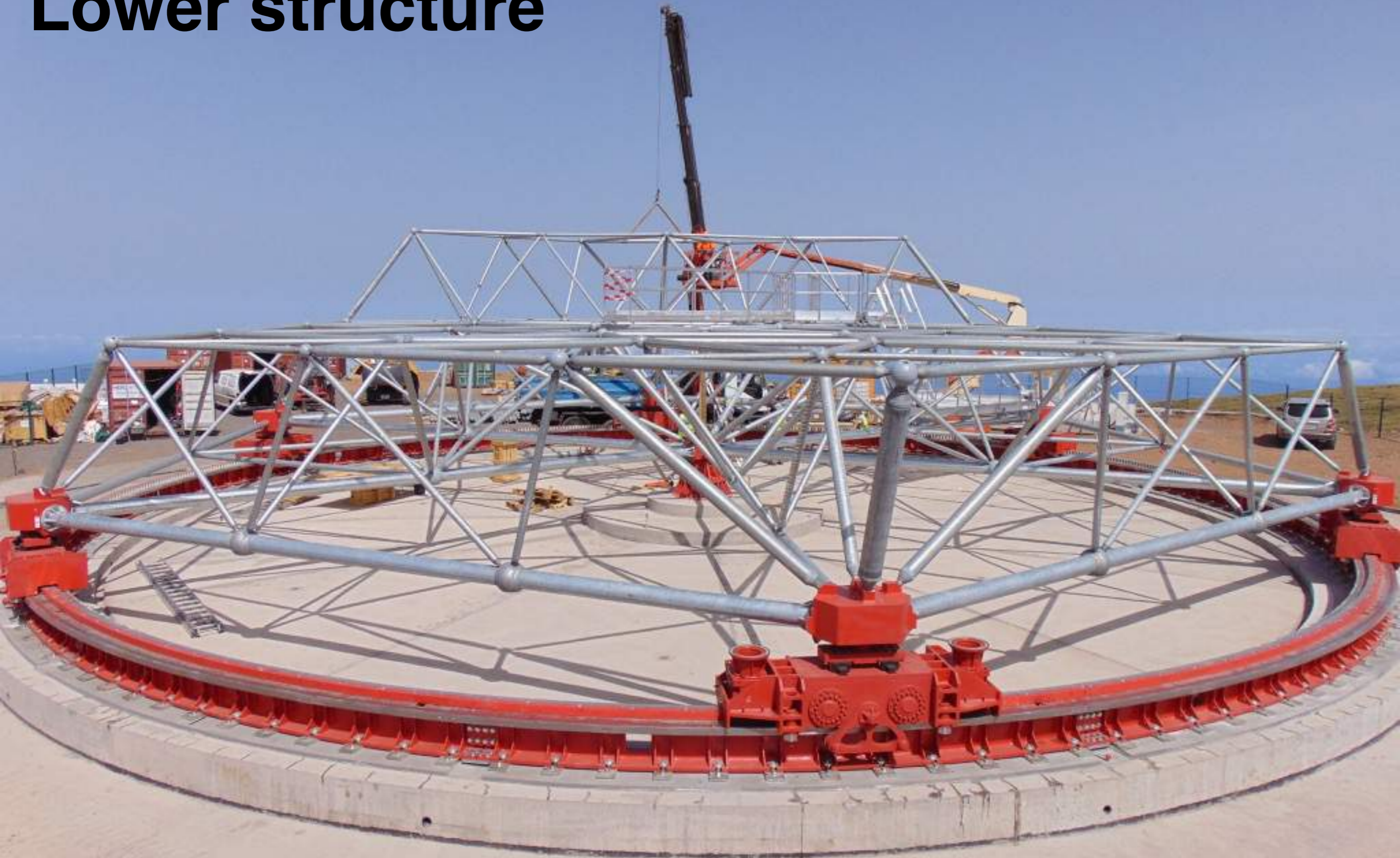
# Central Pin installation

July 20, 2017



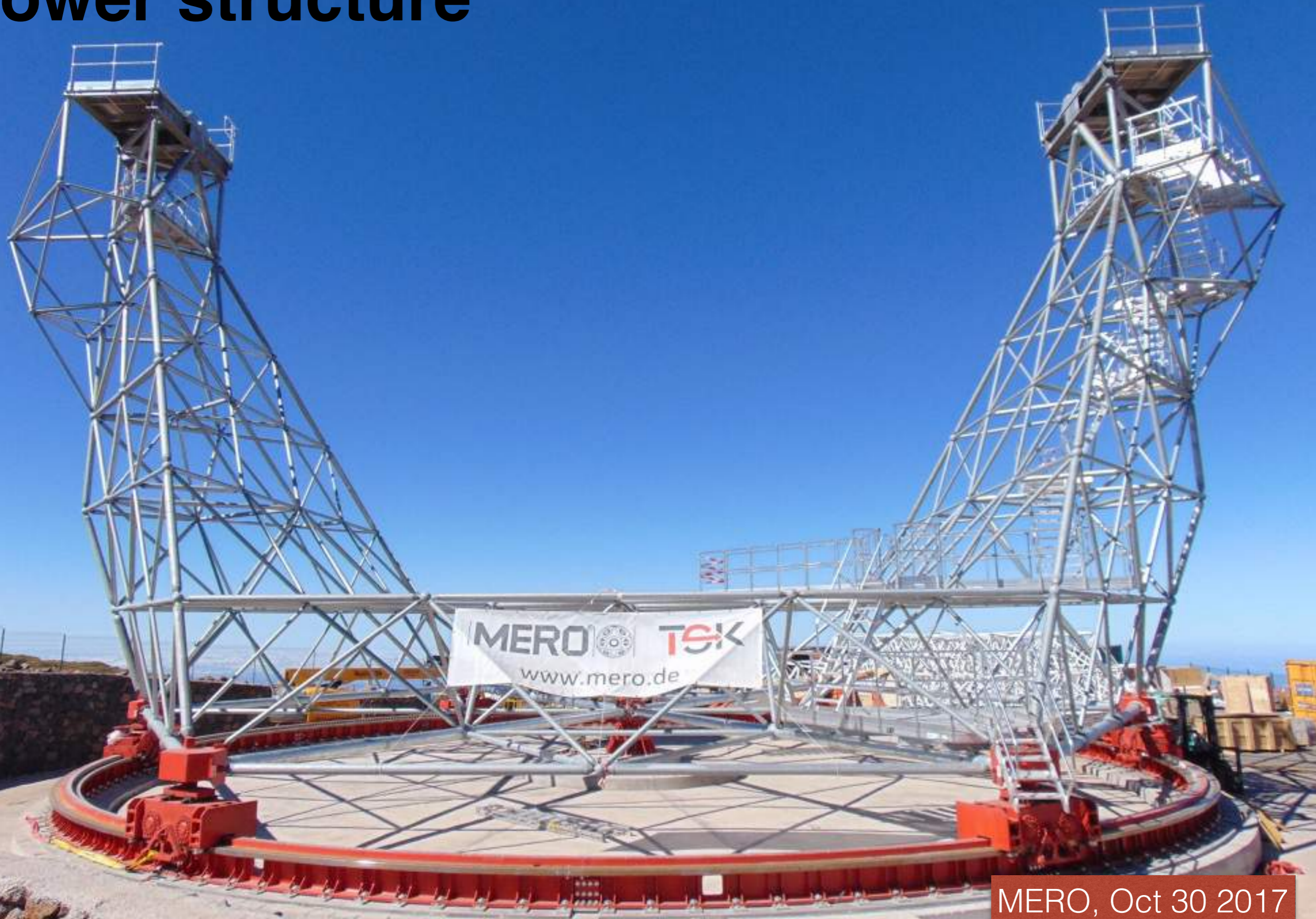


# Lower structure



Sep 20 2017

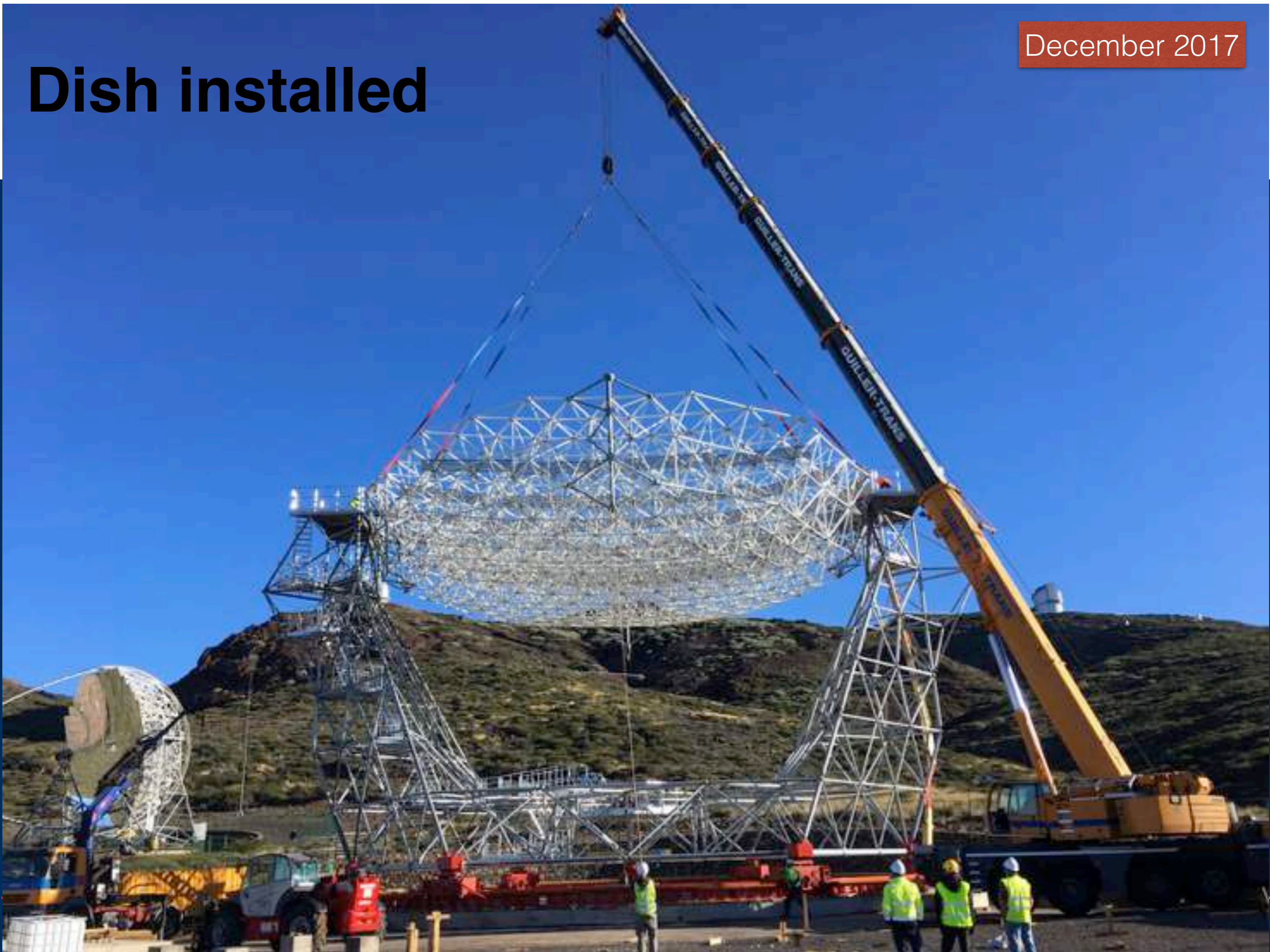
# Lower structure



MERO, Oct 30 2017

December 2017

# Dish installed



# Ice storm February 6, 2018

NO PROBLEM!



**counterweight installed  
dish turned**

Feb 17, 2018



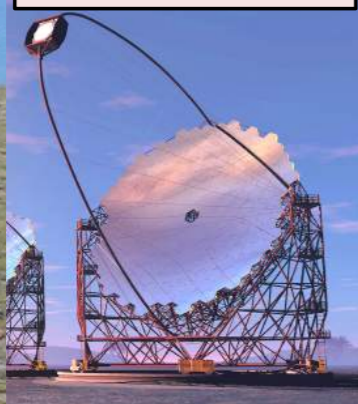
**Inauguration of LST1: 10 Oct 2018**

# 4 LSTs in La Palma

MPP + JS + ES+ FR+ IT (10 MEuro)

2017-2019, ES + JP +FR (35 MEuro)

LST-1 2017



LST-2



LST-4



LST-3



MAGIC-II



MAGIC-I





# Your (possible) future

