

# High-energy Neutrino Emission from Accretion Flows

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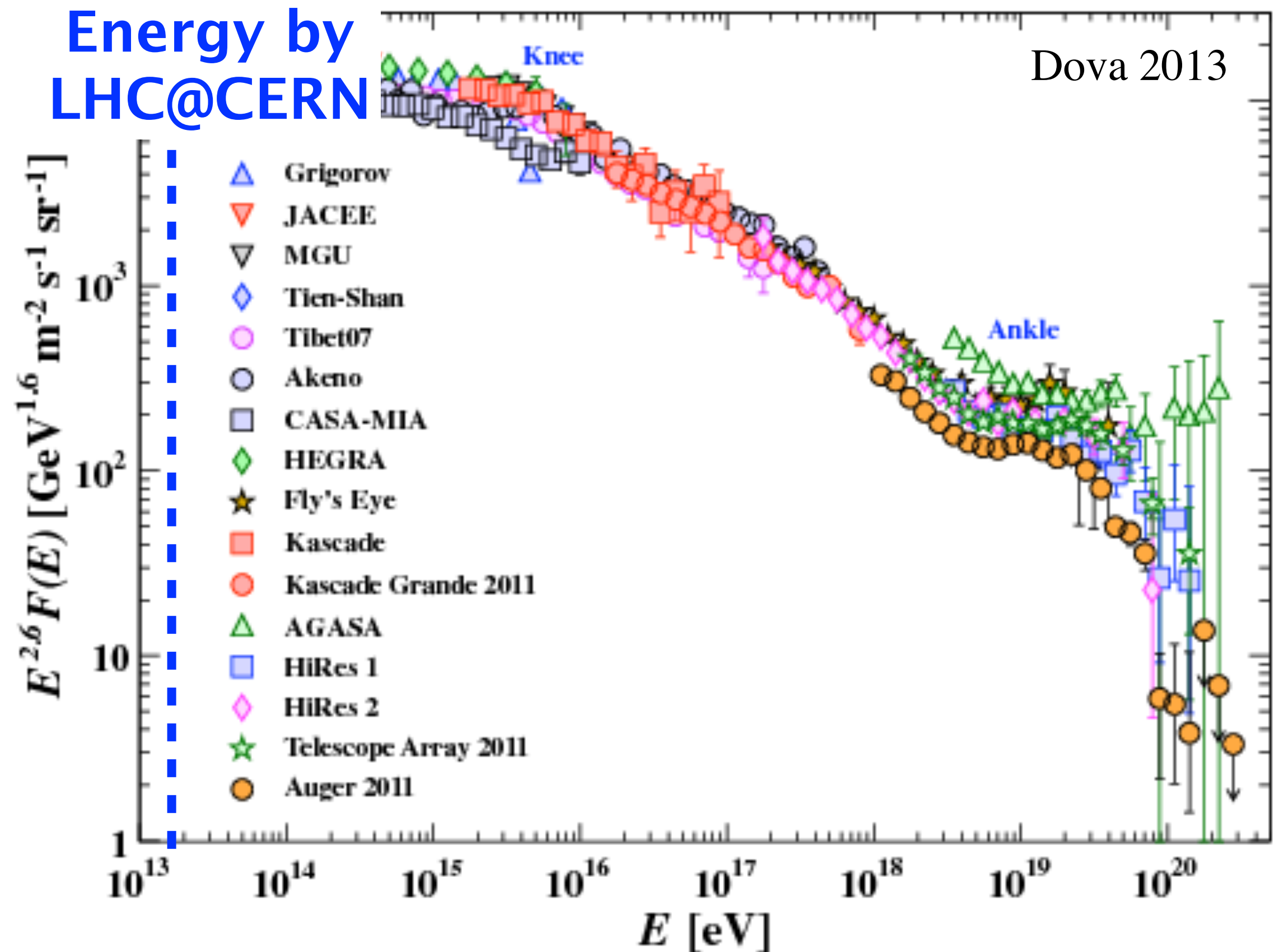
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# Cosmic-Rays (CRs)

: High-energy particles filling the Universe



Origins and production mechanisms are unknown  
for a century



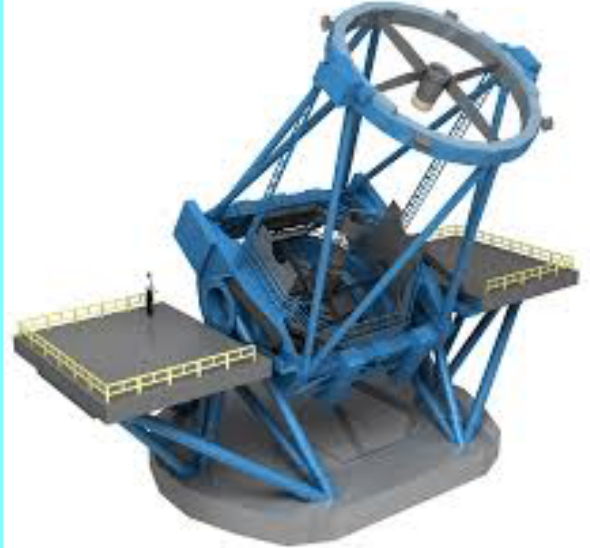
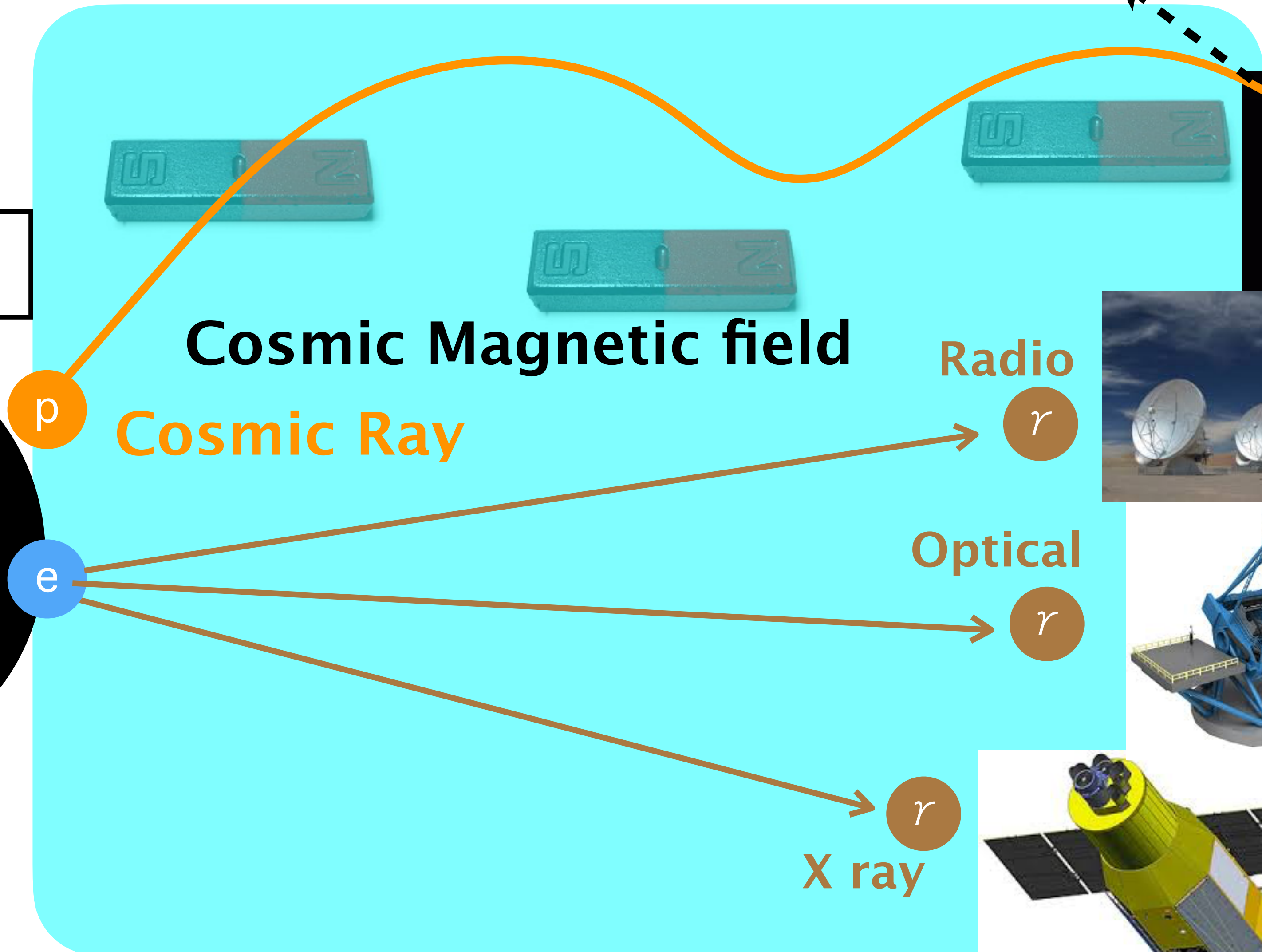
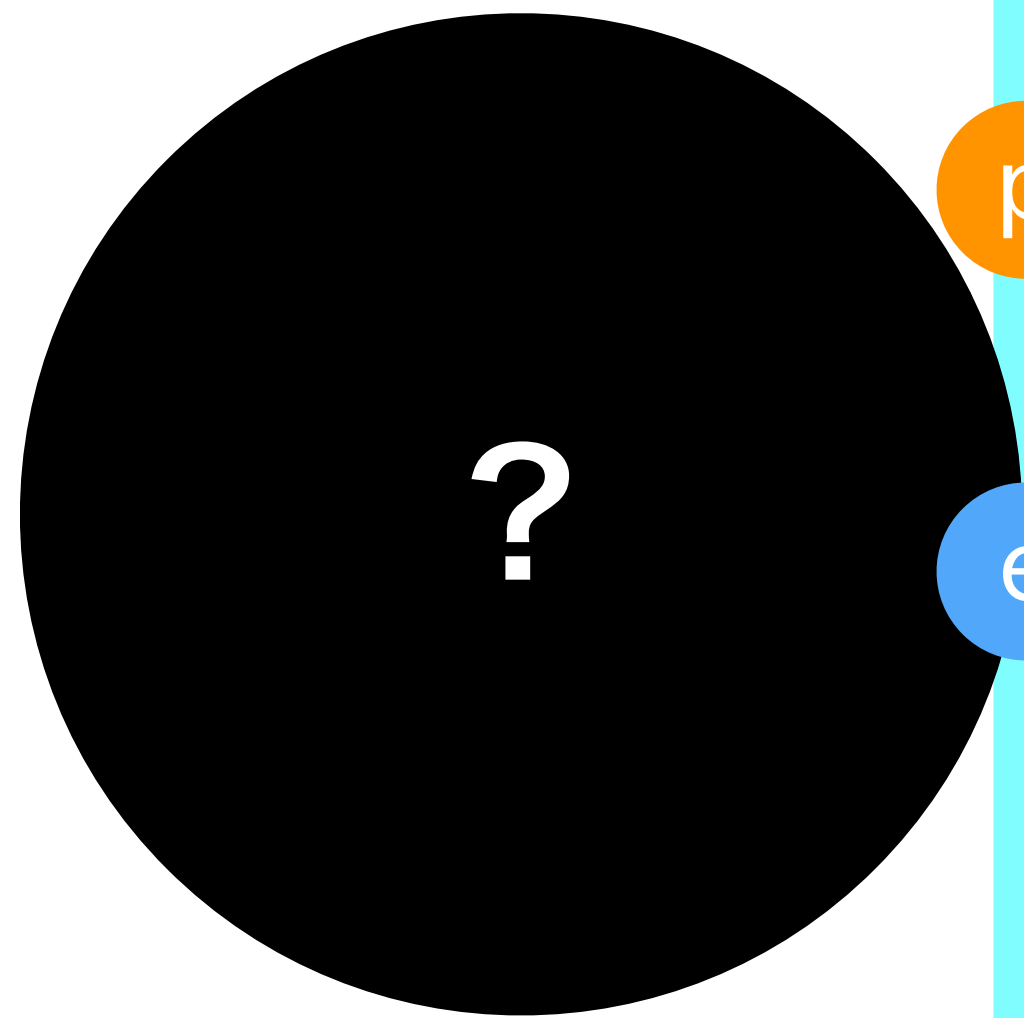
# Traditional Astronomy

Propagation

Detection

?

CR source



p

p

e

Radio  
 $\gamma$

Optical  
 $\gamma$

X ray  
 $\gamma$

Cosmic Magnetic field

Cosmic Ray

Radio

Optical

X ray

CR source

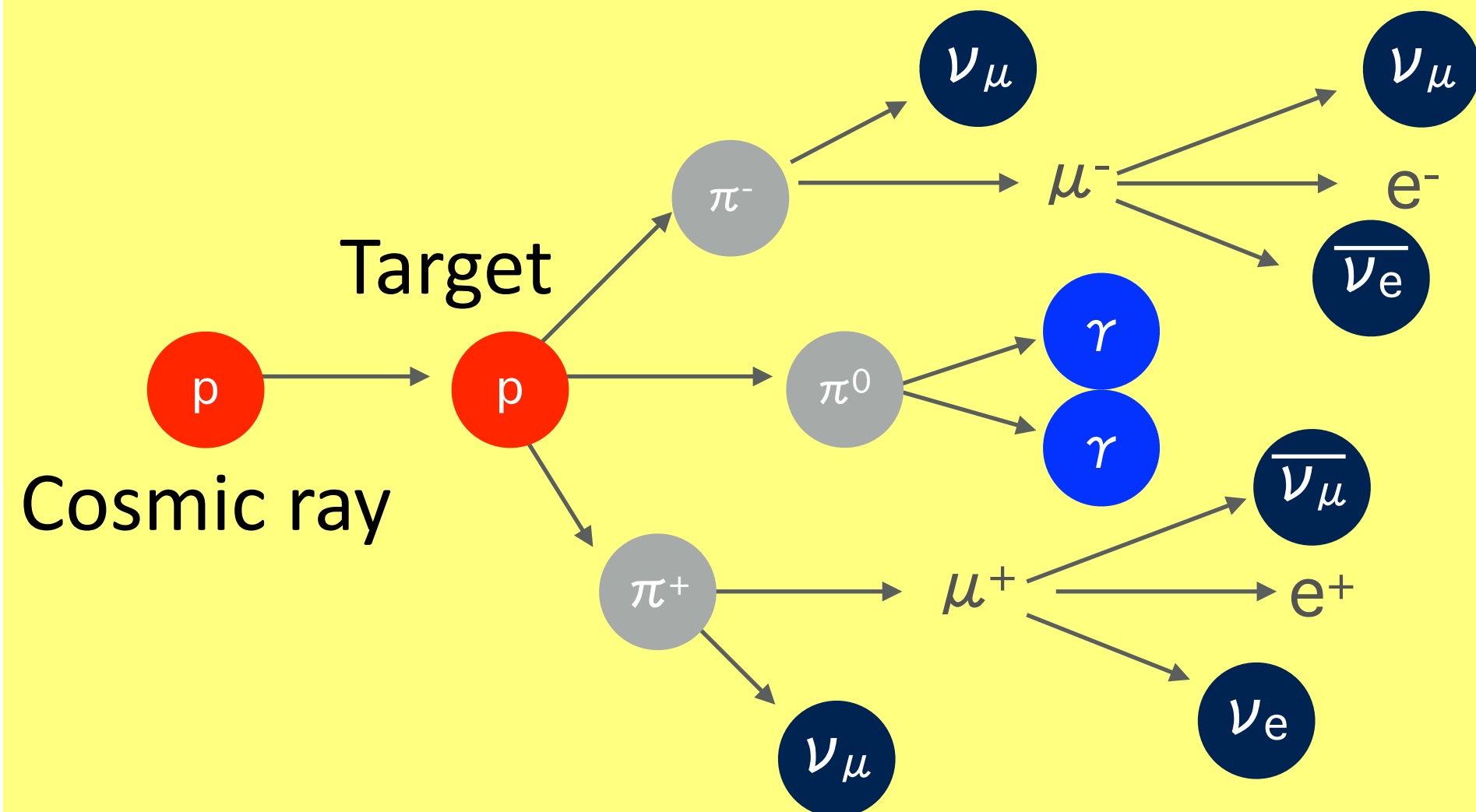
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Propagation

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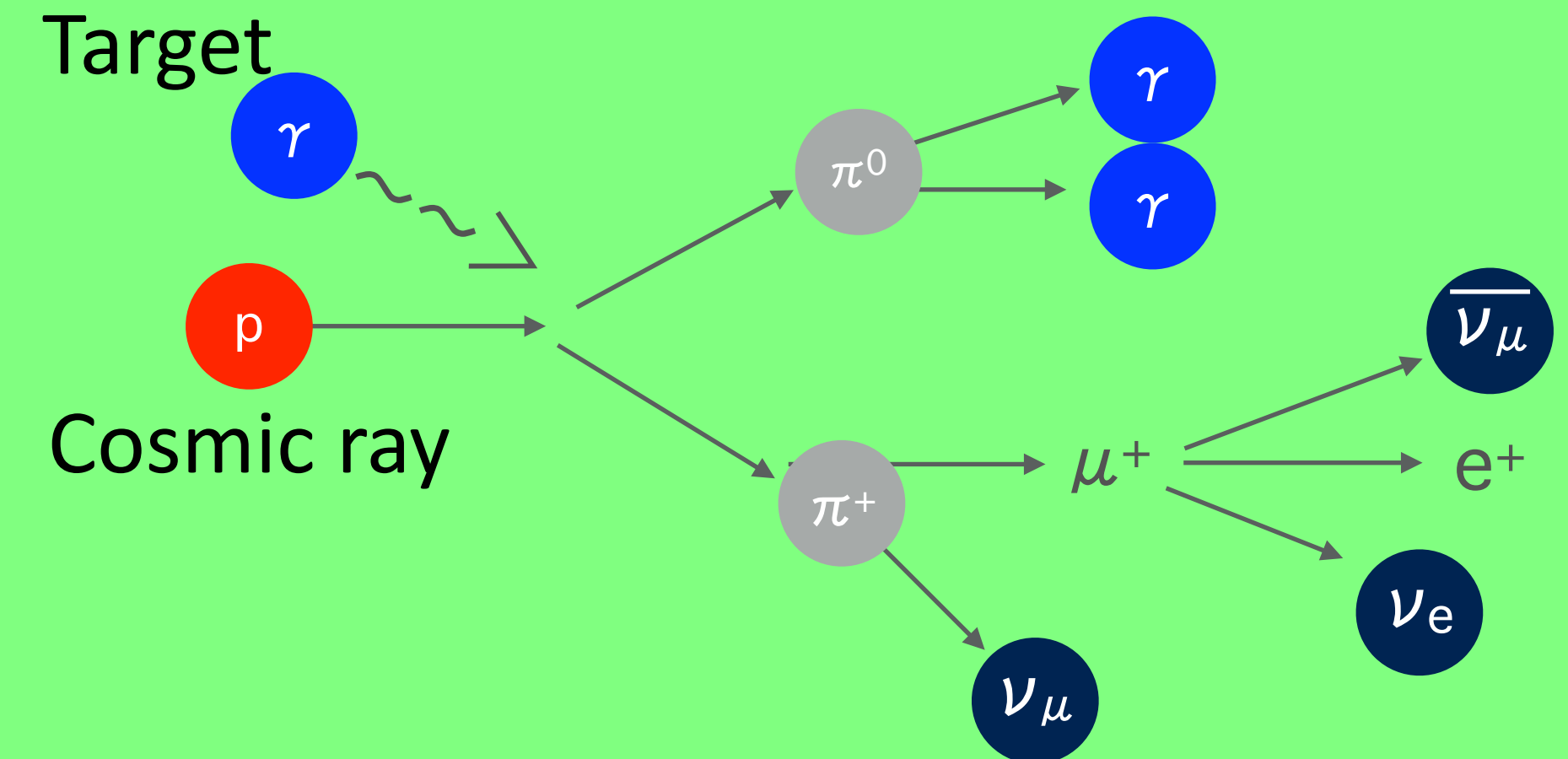
# High-energy neutrino production

- pp inelastic collision



- $p+p \rightarrow p+p+\pi$
- $\pi^\pm \rightarrow 3\nu+e$
- $\pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$

- Photomeson production ( $p\gamma$ )



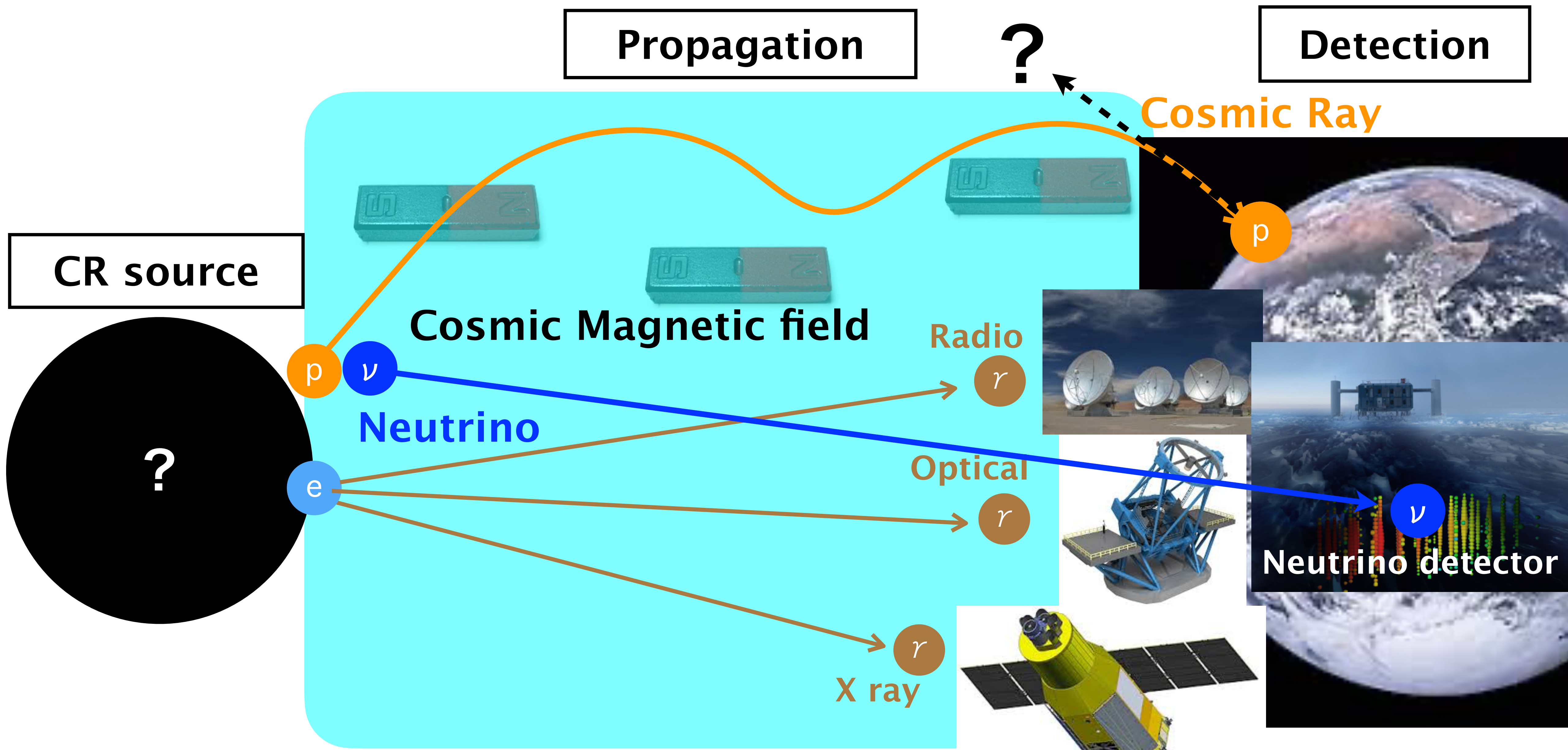
- $p+\gamma \rightarrow p+\pi$
- $\pi^\pm \rightarrow 3\nu+e$
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Interaction between CRs & photons/nuclei  $\rightarrow$  Neutrino production

**Gamma-rays inevitably accompanied with neutrinos**

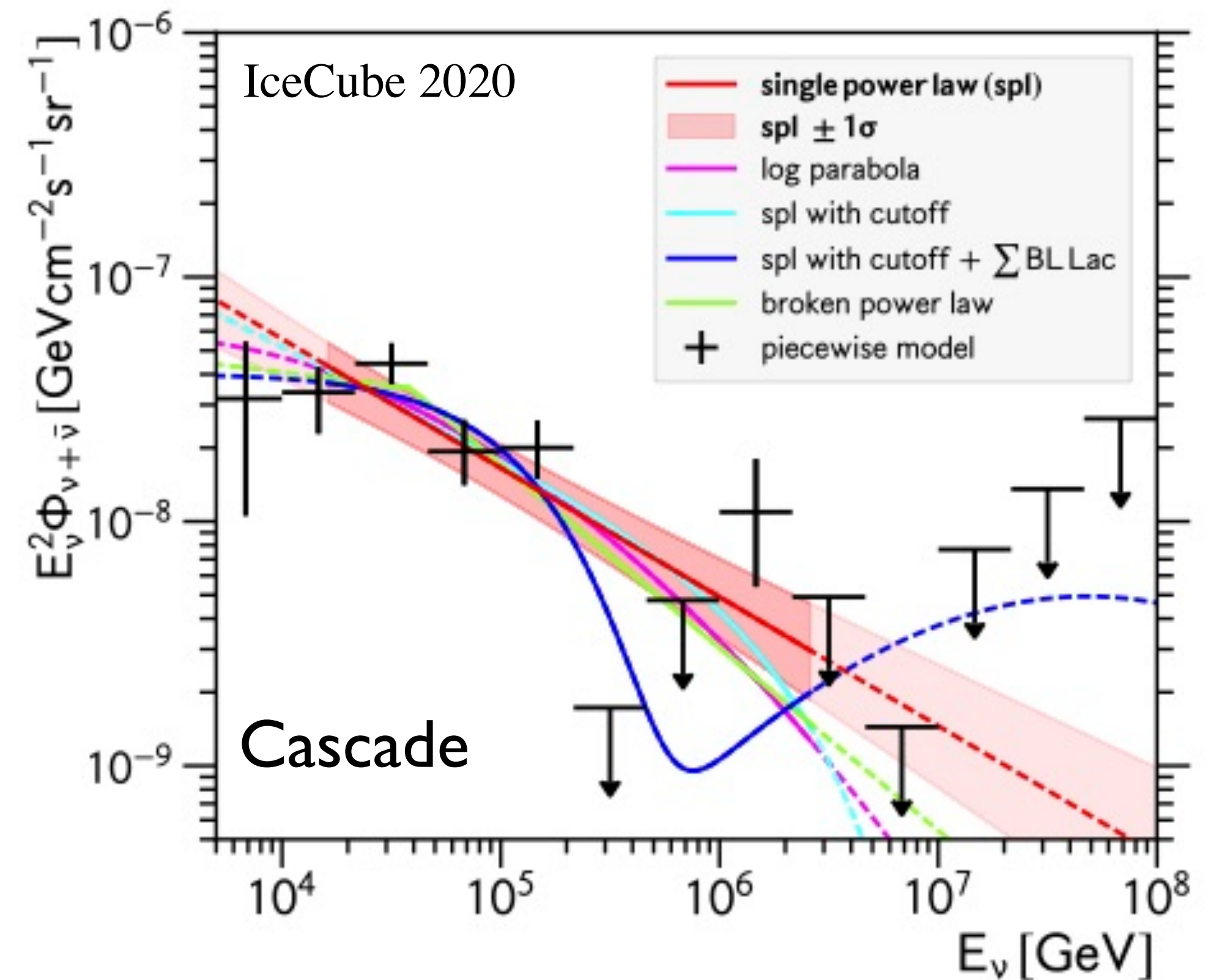
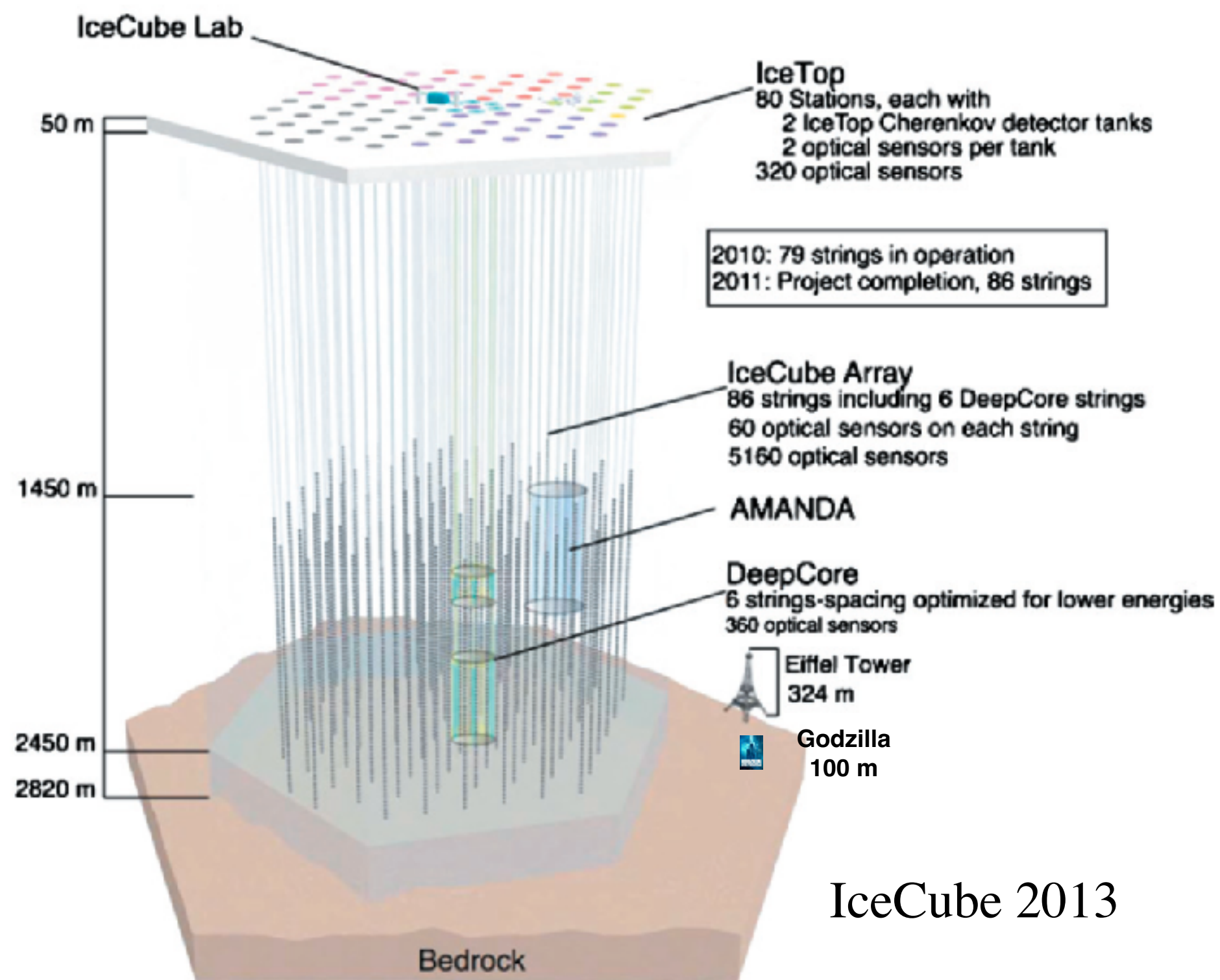


# Multi-messenger Astronomy





# Detection of Astrophysical Neutrinos

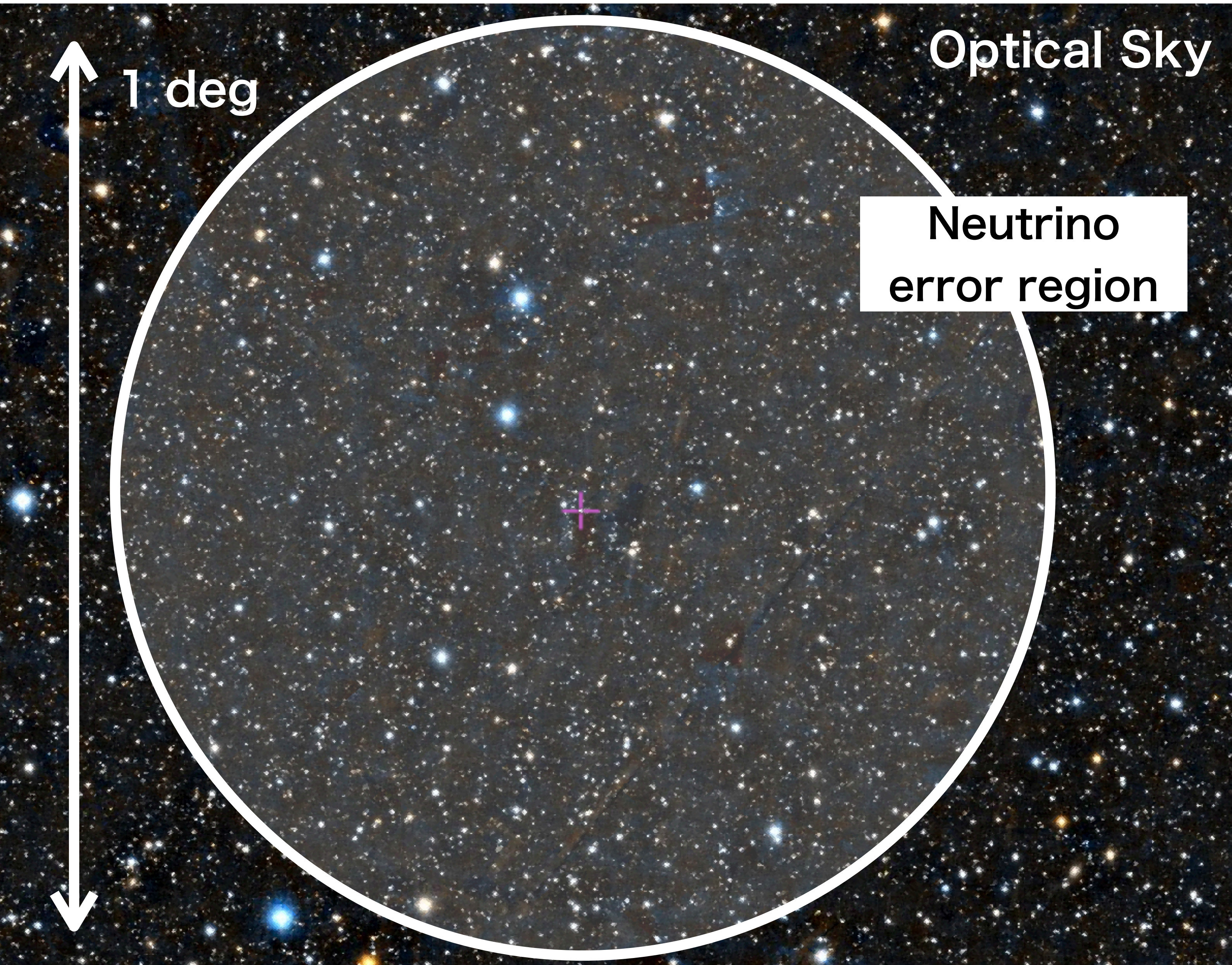


- IceCube experiment reported detection of astro- $\nu$  in 2013
- Isotropic distribution  
—> **Extragalactic origin**

- Soft cosmic neutrino spectra  
(High intensity @  $\sim 10$  TeV)
- Origins of astro-neutrinos:  
new big mystery

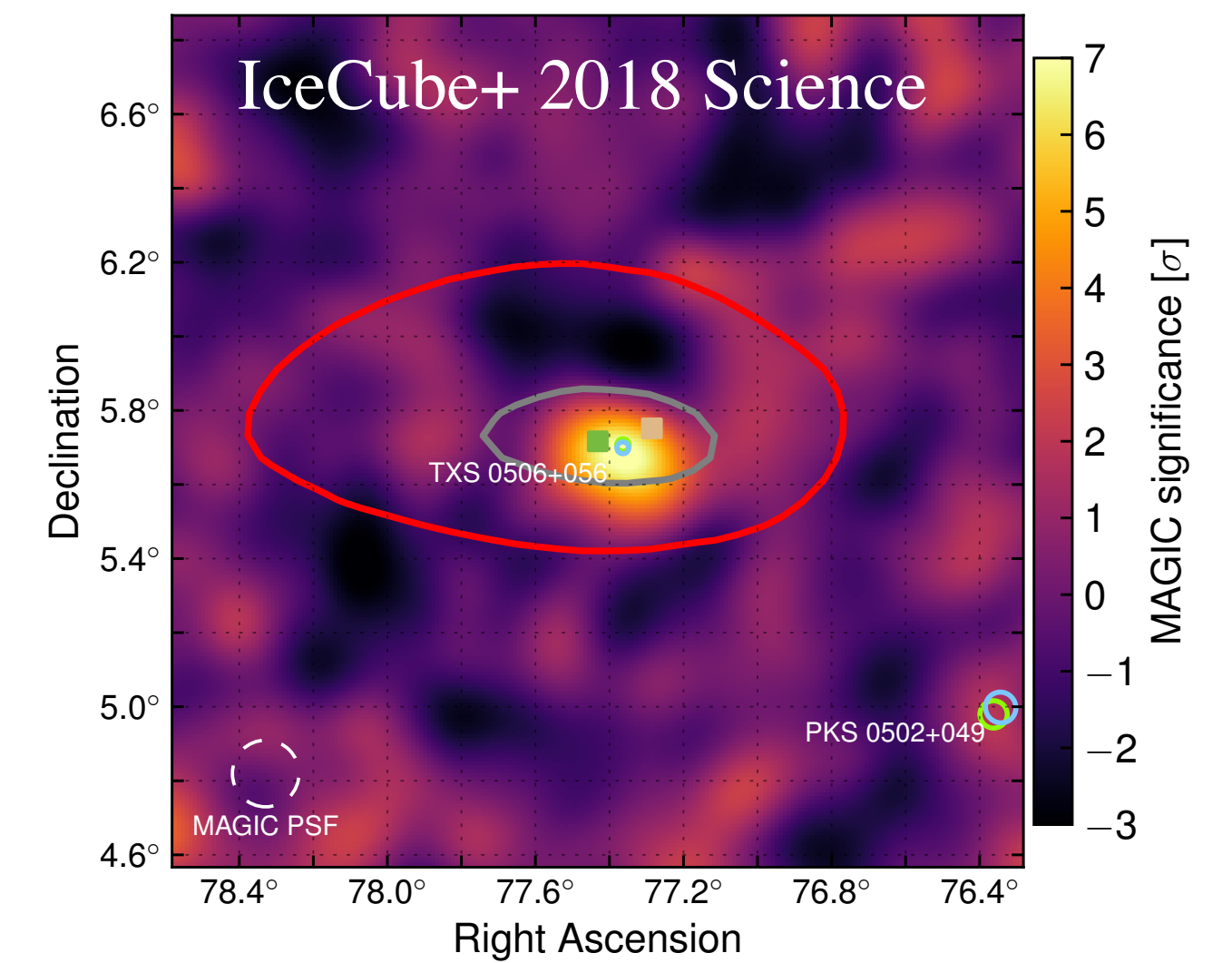


# Difficulty of neutrino source identification



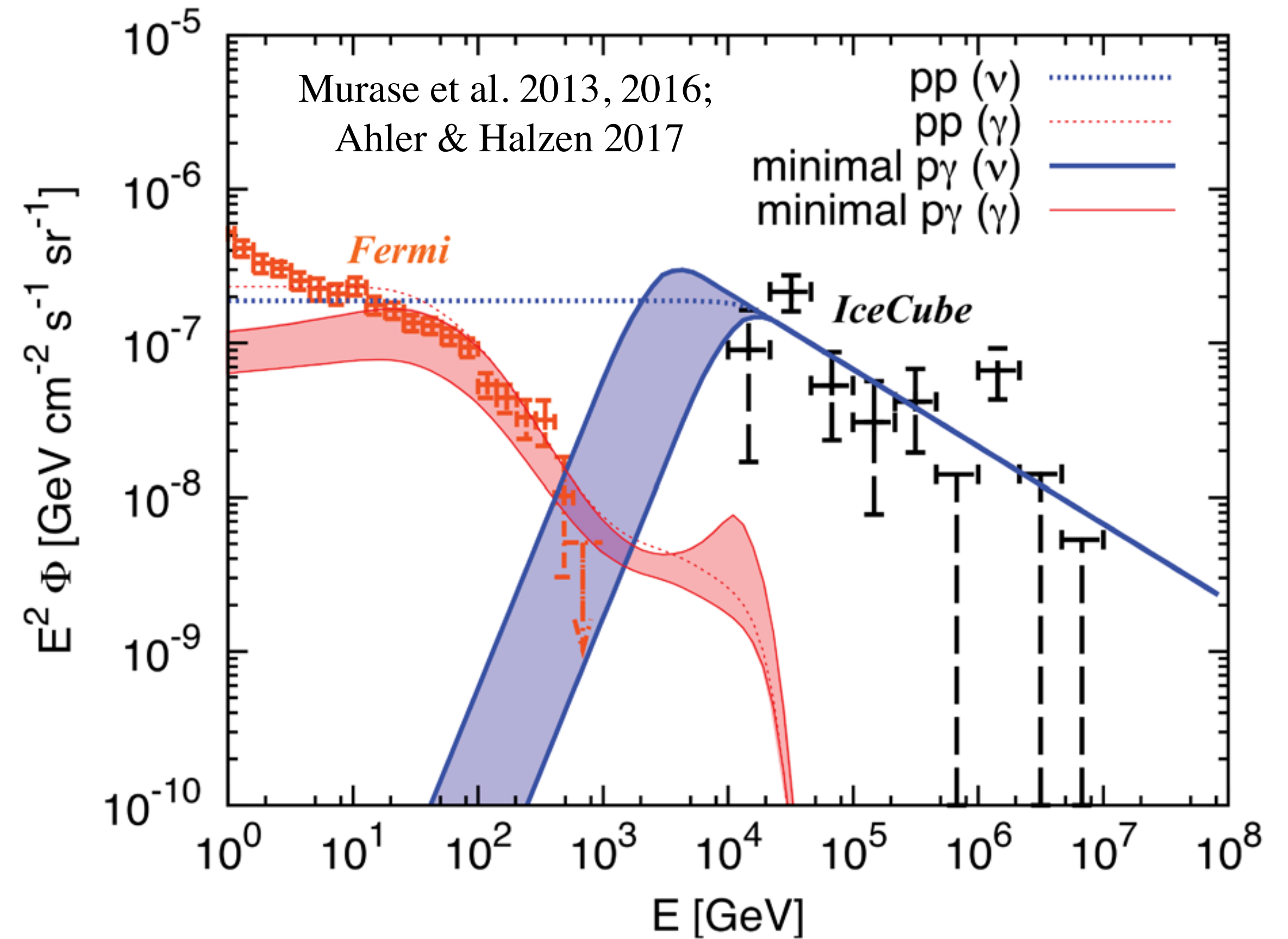
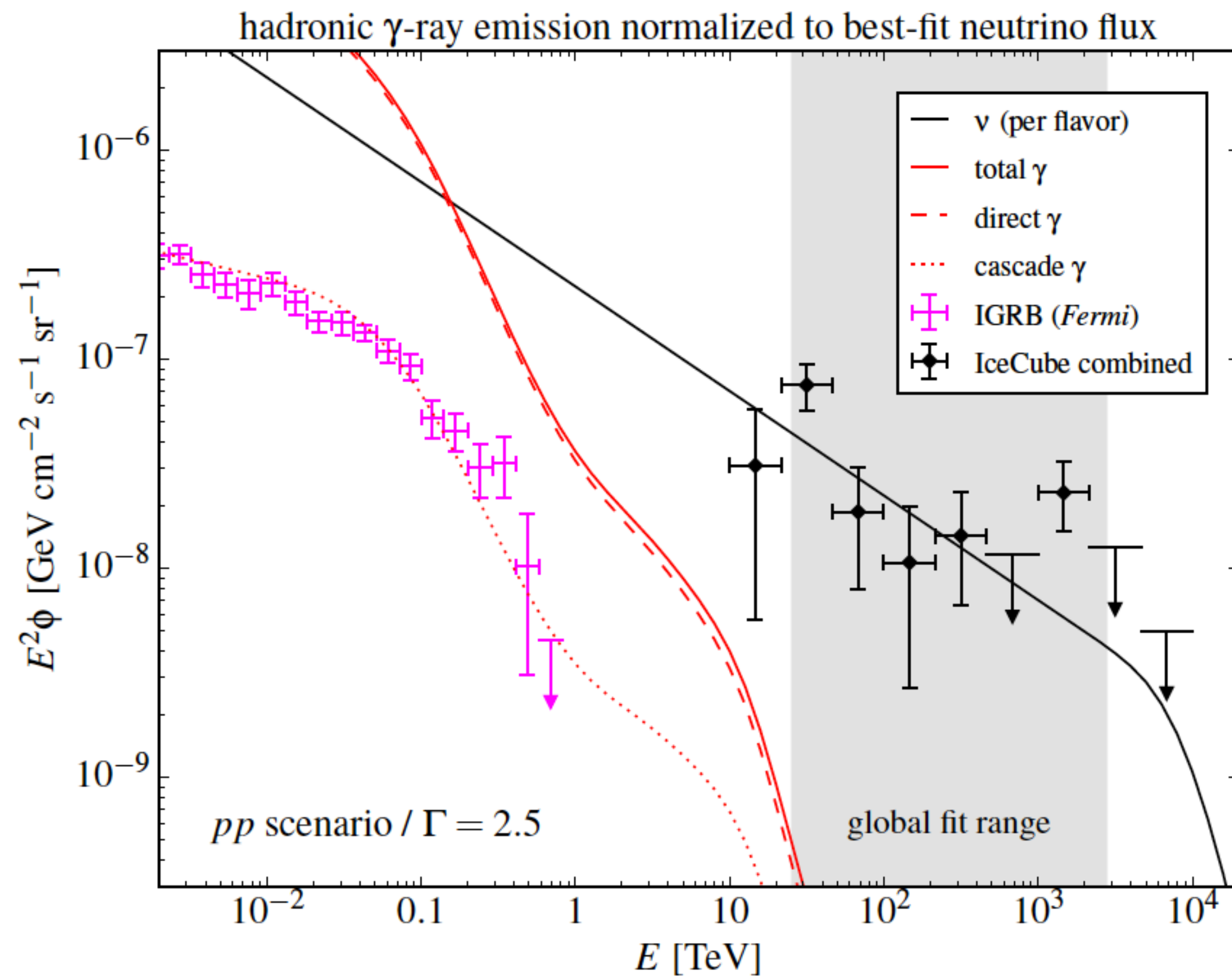
- Optical telescope  
~ 1 arcsec resolution
- Neutrino detector  
~ 1 deg resolution
- too many optical sources  
in neutrino error region

**Multi-wavelength modeling  
are important**





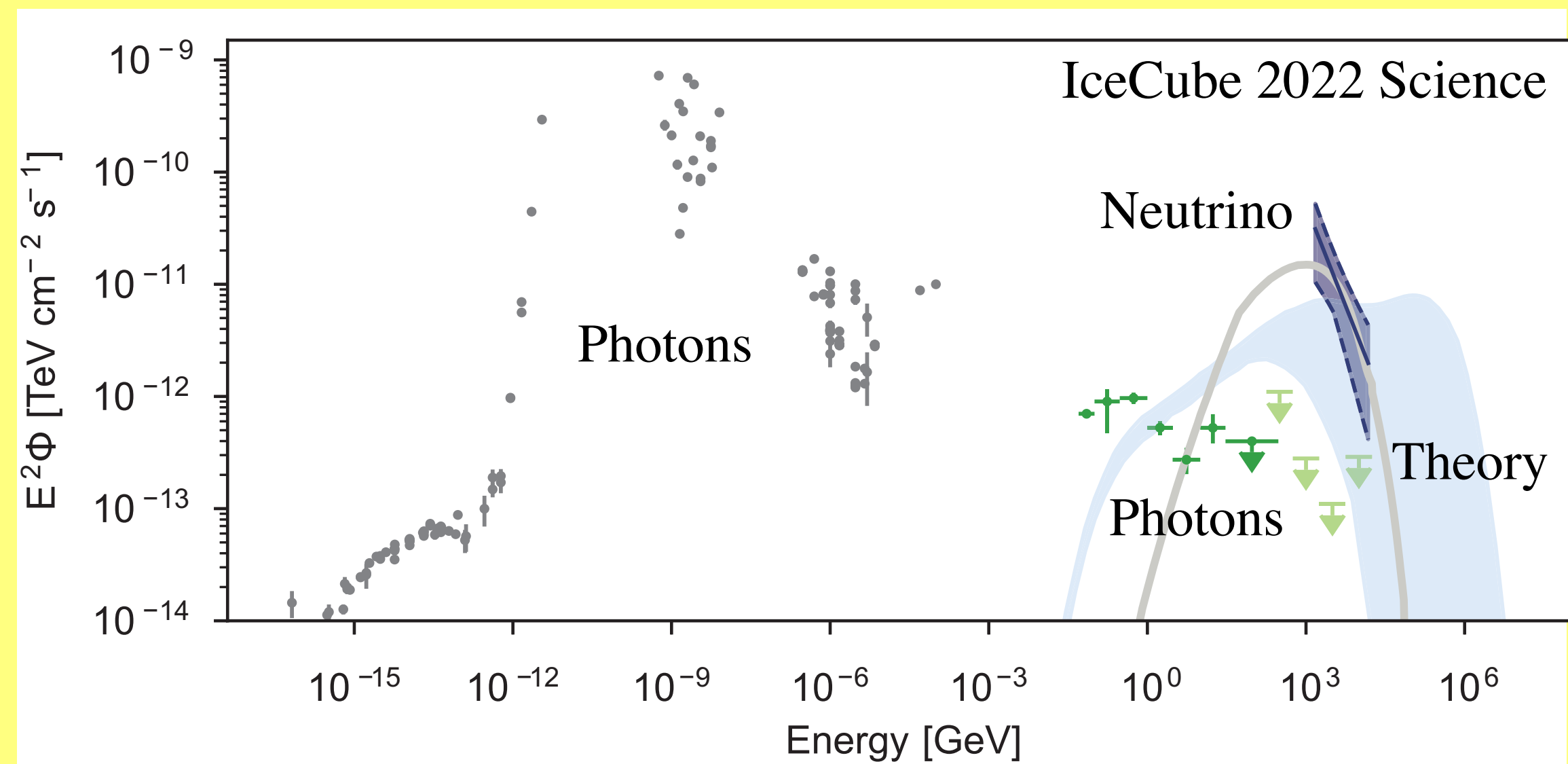
# Gamma-ray Constraint



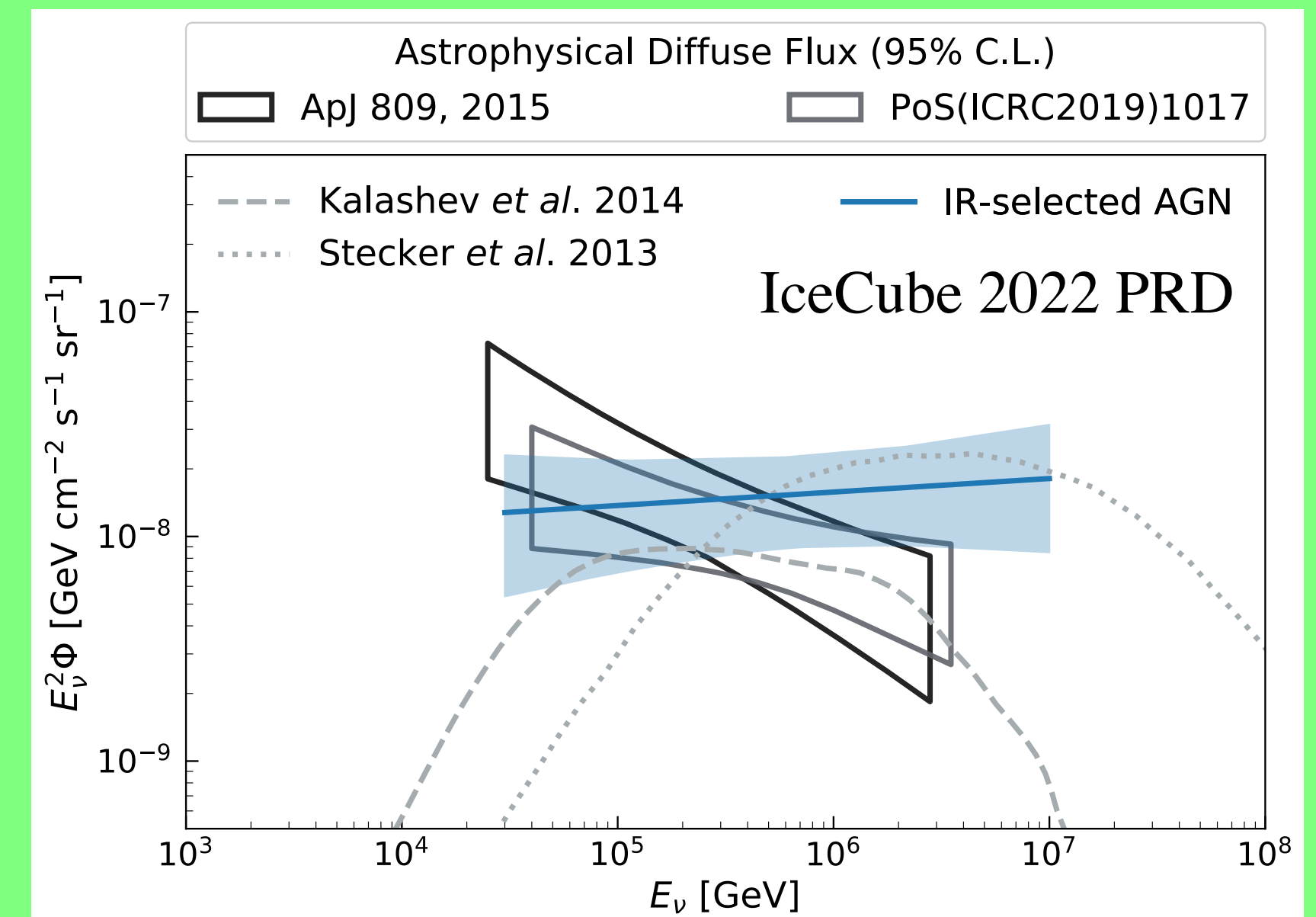
- $\nu$  intensity@10 TeV >  $\gamma$ -ray intensity@100 GeV  
 → accompanying  $\gamma$ -rays overshoot Fermi data  
 →  **$\gamma$ -rays need to be attenuated by  $\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$**

# Neutrinos from Seyfert Galaxies

- Point source search with 10-year data set IceCube 2020, 2022
- Hottest Point ( $2.9\sigma \rightarrow 4.2\sigma$ ) : NGC 1068 (Seyfert 2)
- $L_\nu > L_\gamma \rightarrow$  "Hidden Source" ( $\gamma$ -rays are absorbed)



- Stacking analysis
- Association between  $\nu$  events & WISE-AGN ( $2.6\sigma$ )



**Let us discuss high-energy emission  
from accretion flows**

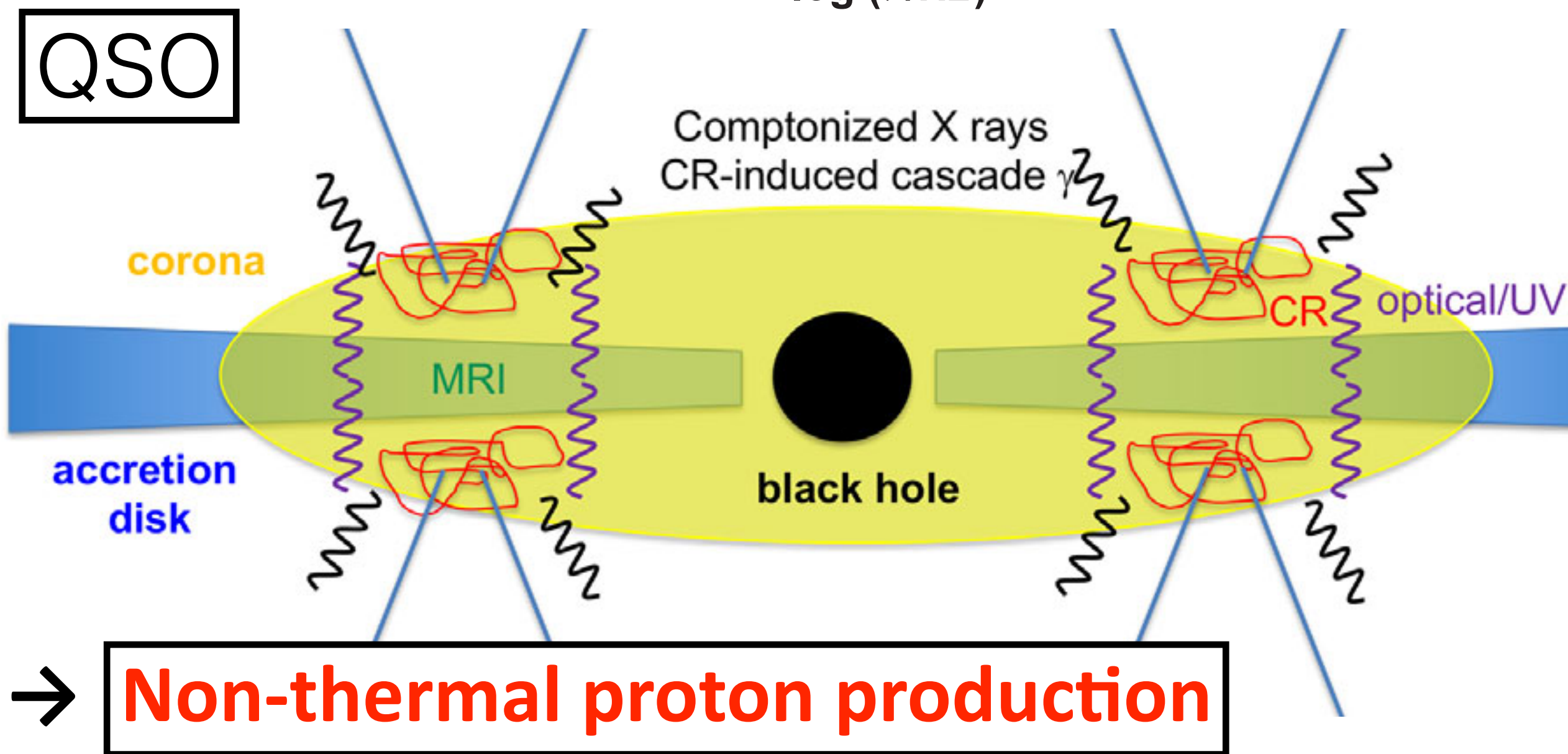
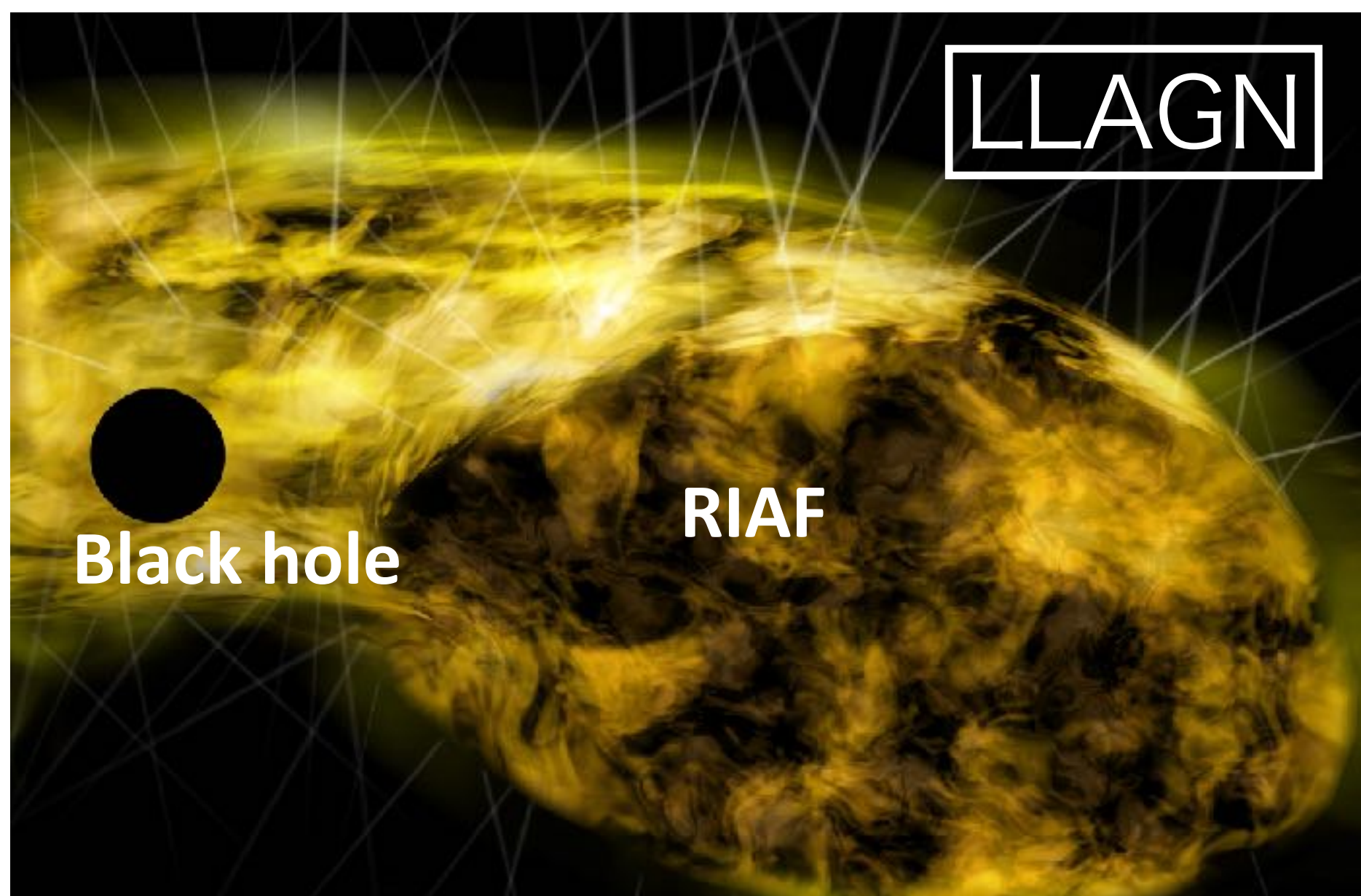
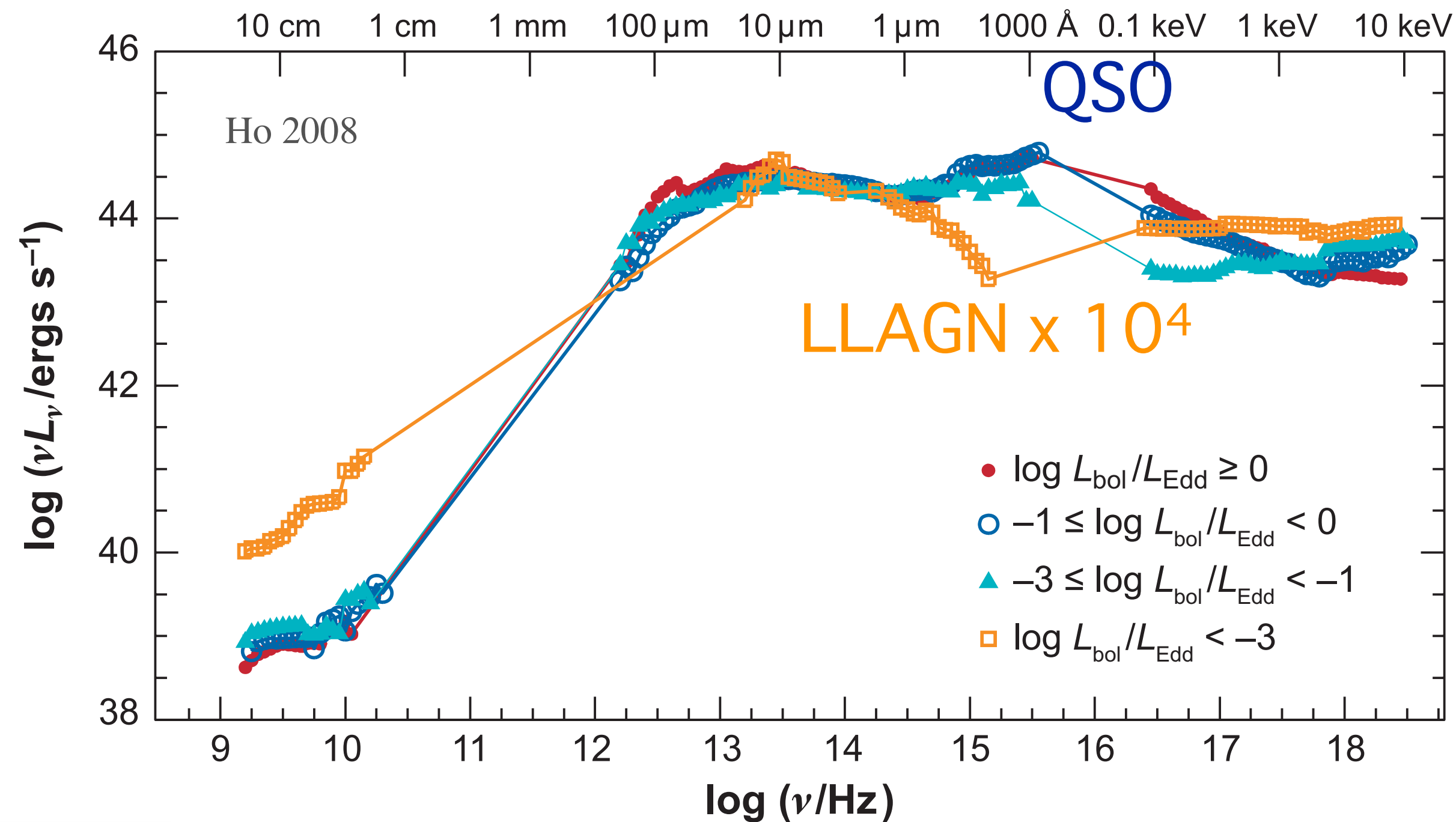
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# AGN Accretion Flows

- **QSO**: Blue bump & X-ray  
→ Optically thick disk + coronae
- **LLAGN**: No blue bump & X-ray  
→ Optically thin flow  
Radiatively Inefficient Accretion Flow (RIAF)



Protons in coronae & RIAFs are collisionless → **Non-thermal proton production**

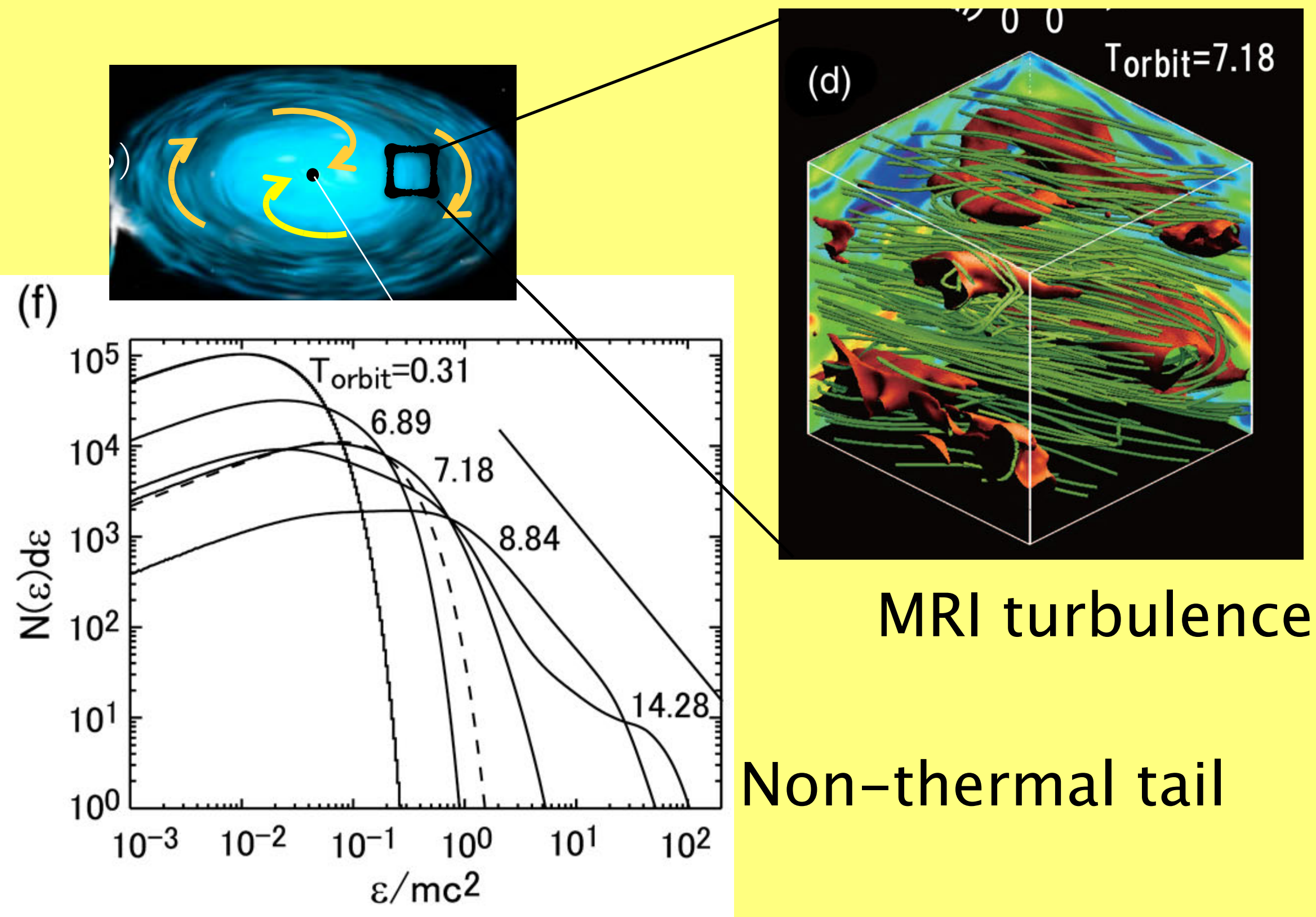


# Particle Acceleration in Accretion Flows

Accretion flows: no strong shock. How to accelerate particles?

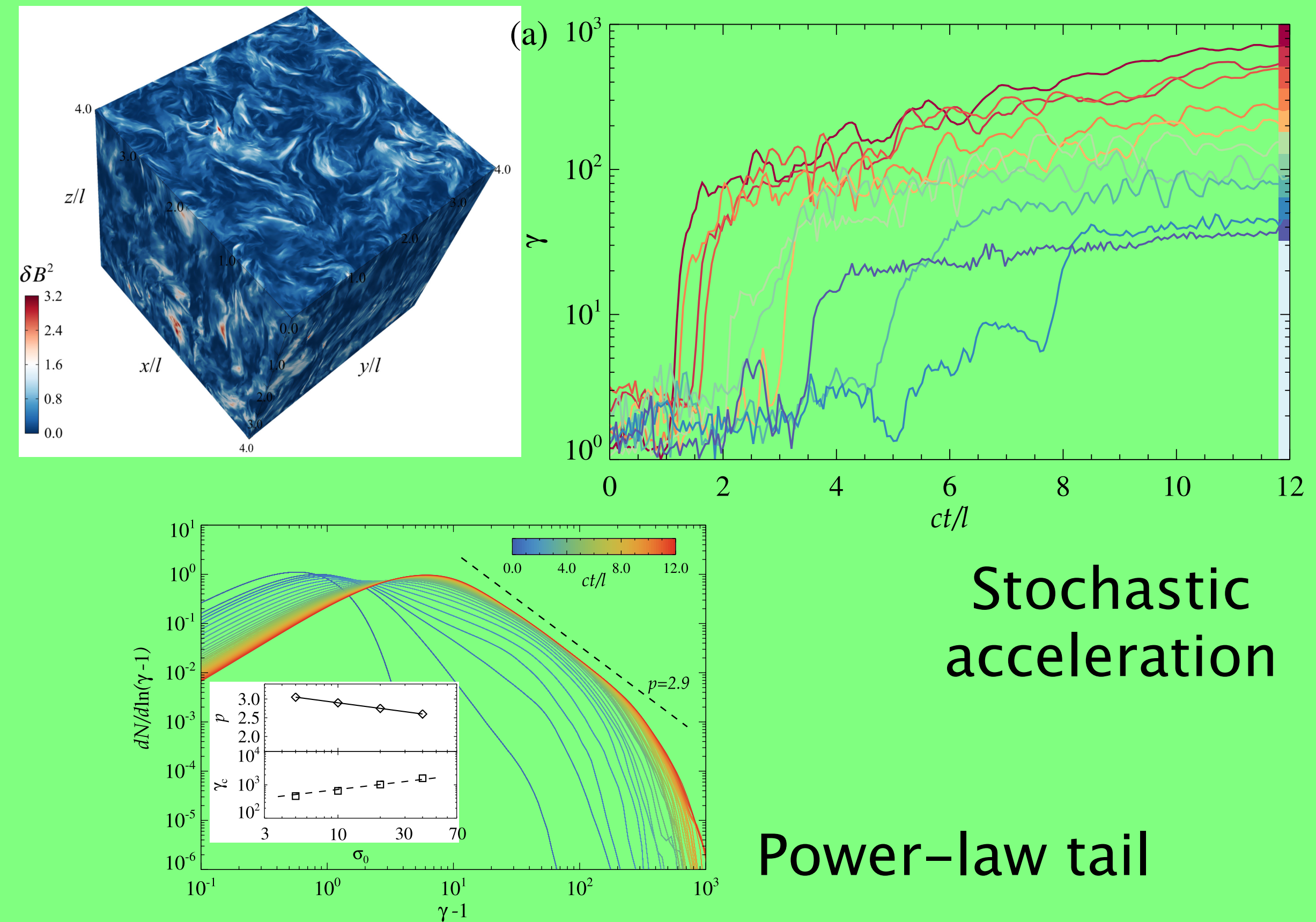
## Particle-In-Cell Simulations in shearing box

Hoshino 2013, 2015; Riquelme et al. 2012; Kuntz et al. 2016



## Particle-In-Cell Simulations with turbulence

Comisso & Sironi 2018, 2019; Zhdankin et al. 2018



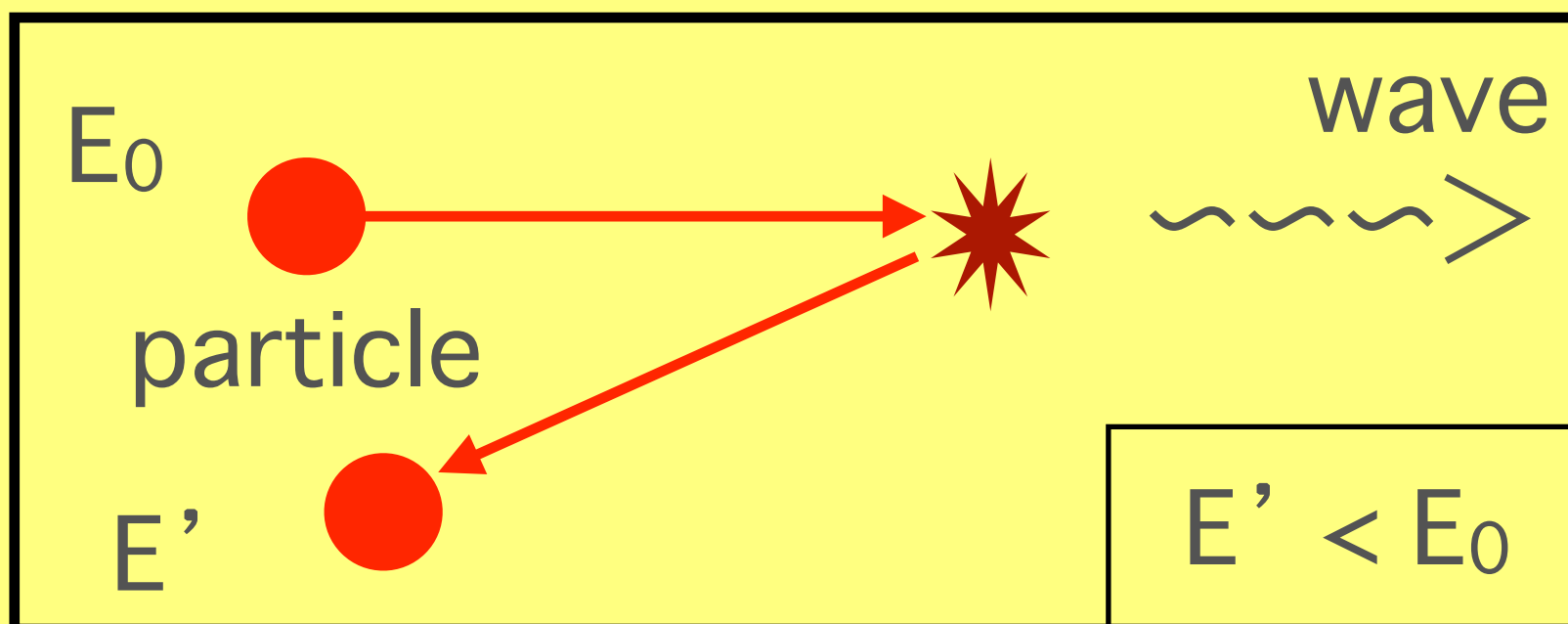
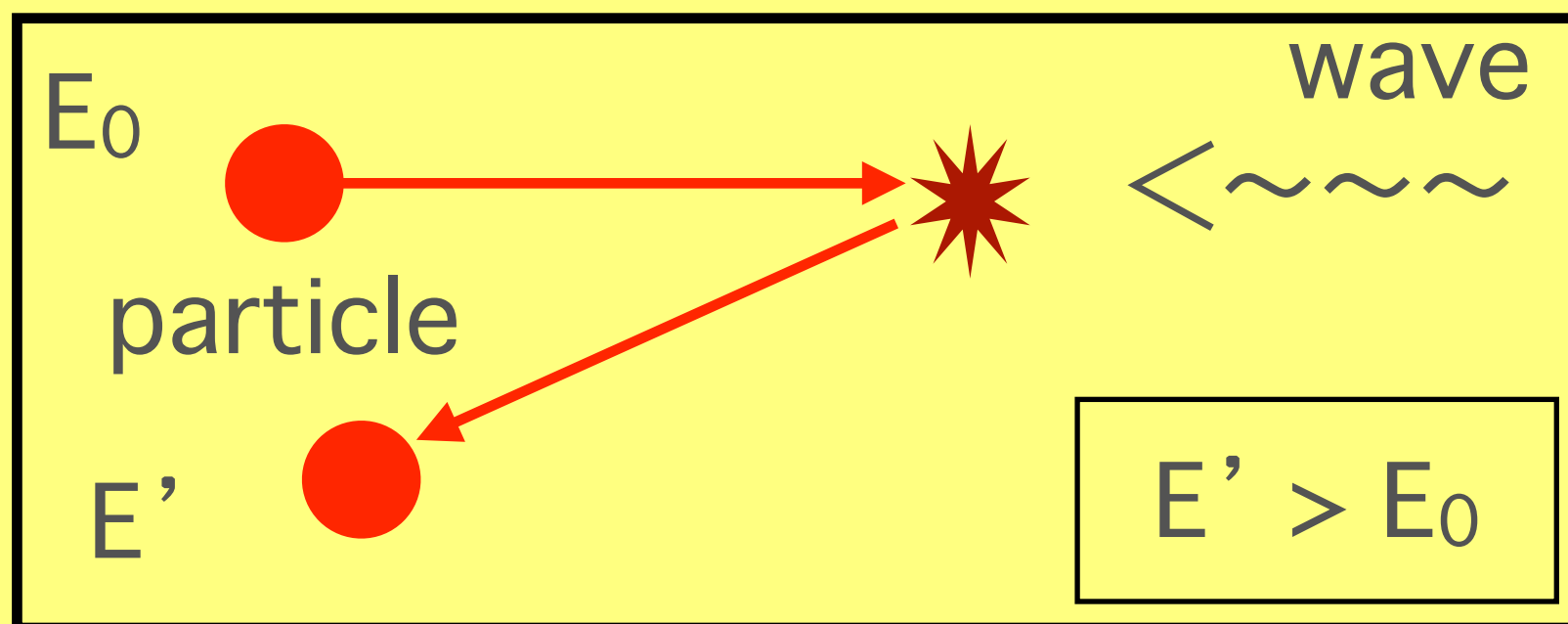
**Magnetic reconnection → Interaction with Turbulence**



# Stochastic Acceleration by MHD Turbulence

## CR Acceleration Theory

e.g.) Fermi 1949



Some gain E, others lose E

→ diffusion in E space

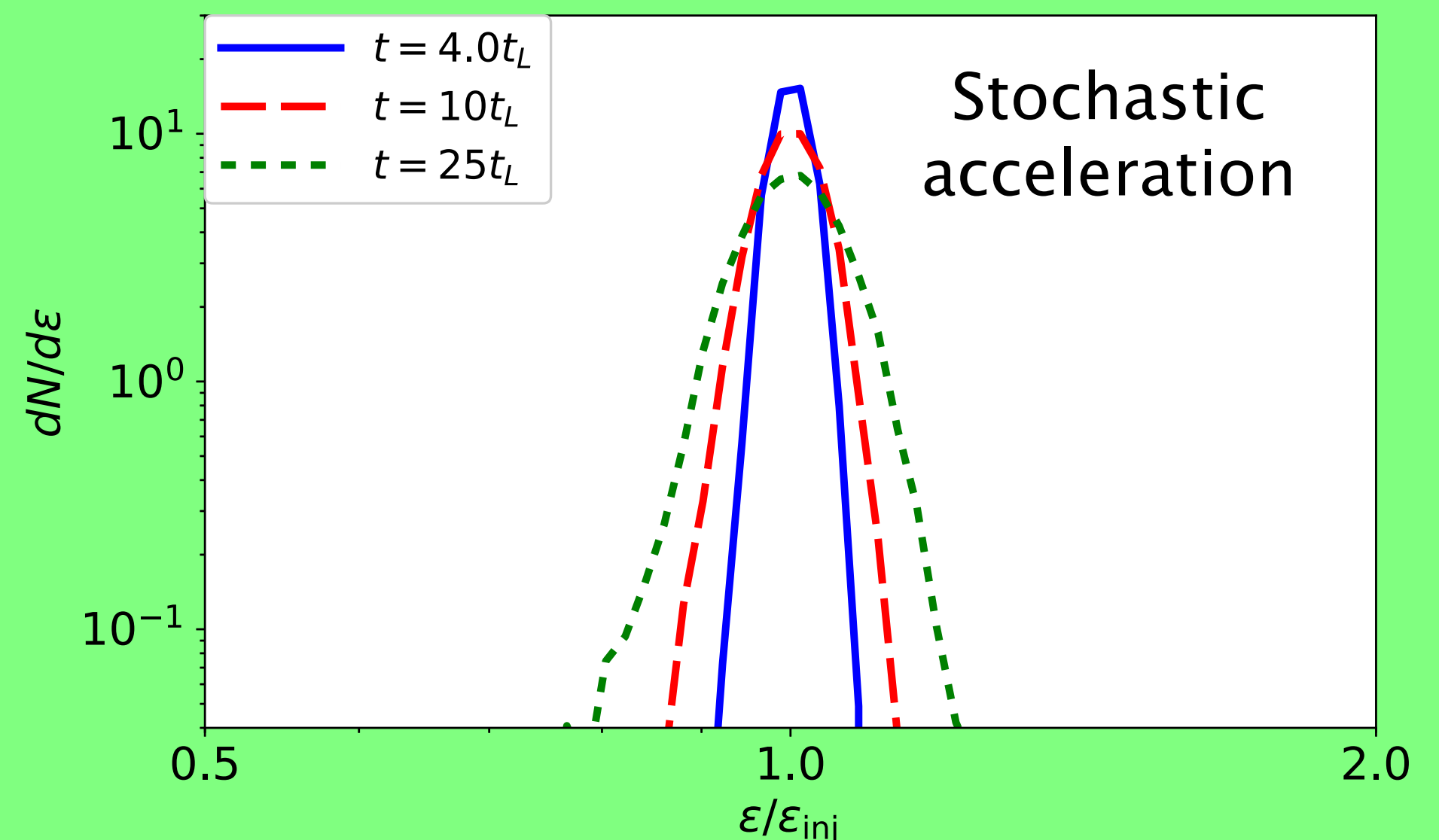
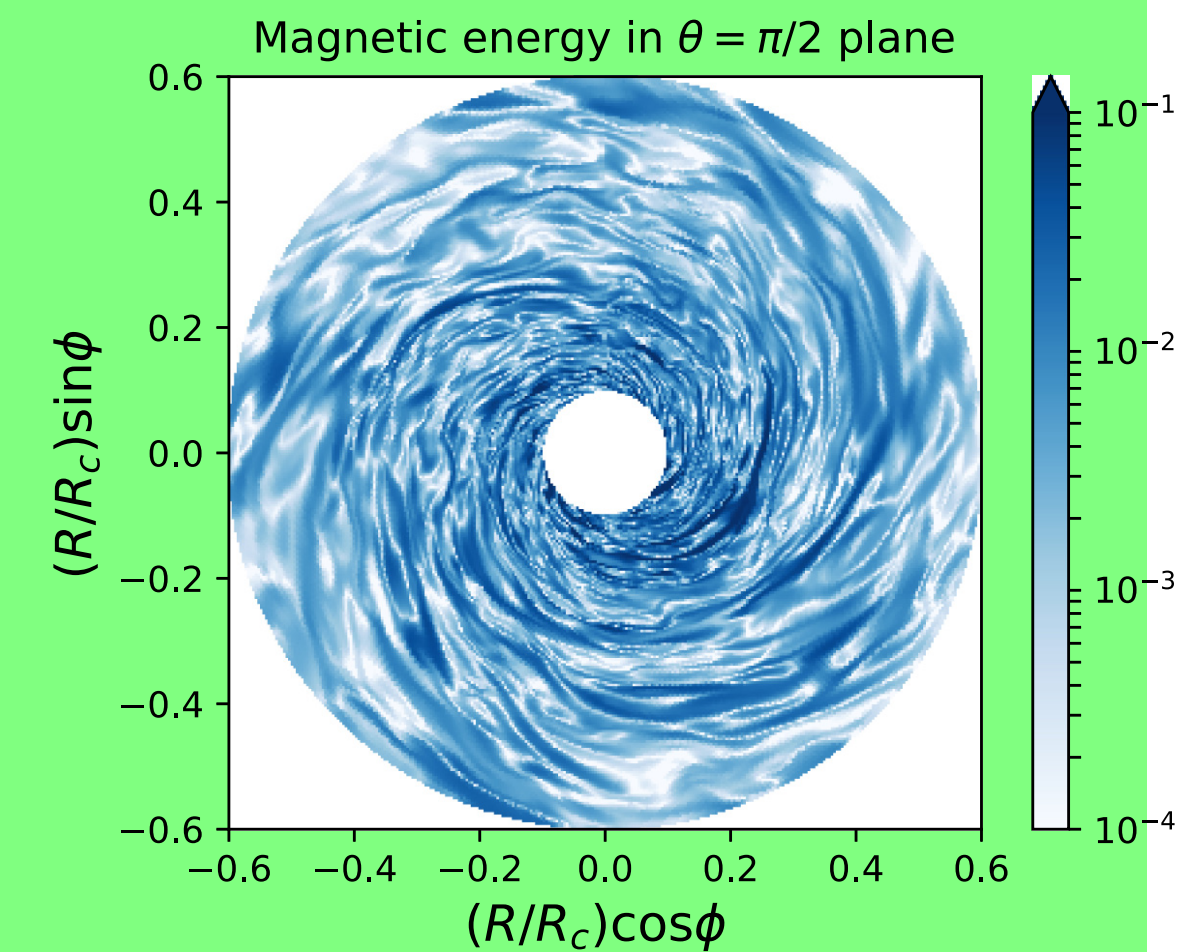
$$\frac{\partial F_p}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{E^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial E} \left( E^2 D_E \frac{\partial F_p}{\partial E} \right)$$

## MHD + Test Particle Simulations

SSK+ 2016 ApJ, 2019 MNRAS; Sun & Bai 2021

Development of MRI  
→ MHD turbulence

CR energy distribution  
→ diffusion in E space

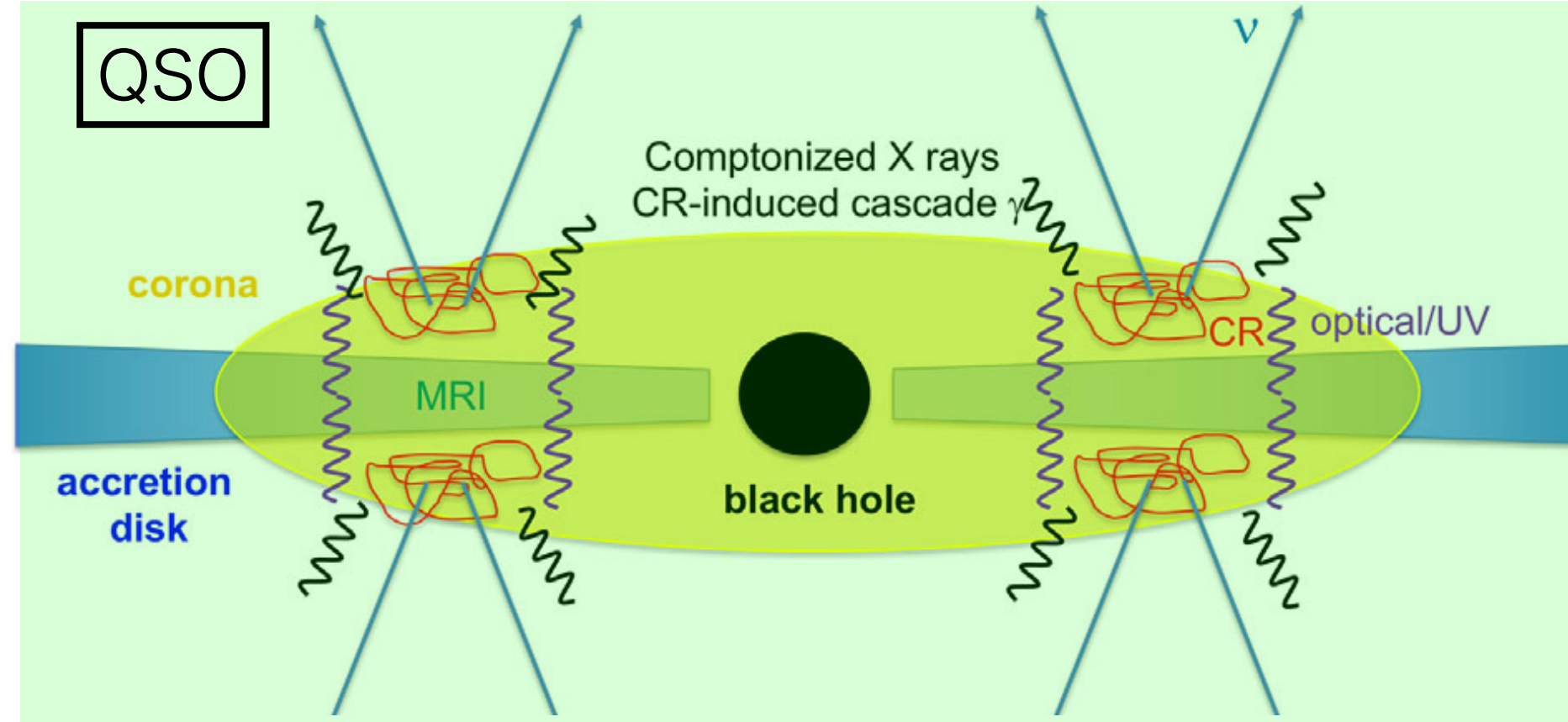


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# Basic Equations



- Stochastic Acceleration (SA)

$$\frac{\partial F_p}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\varepsilon_p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon_p} \left( \varepsilon_p^2 D_{\varepsilon_p} \frac{\partial F_p}{\partial \varepsilon_p} + \frac{\varepsilon_p^3}{t_{p-\text{cool}}} F_p \right) - \frac{F_p}{t_{\text{esc}}} + \dot{F}_{p,\text{inj}}$$

$$D_{\varepsilon_p} \approx \frac{\zeta c}{H} \left( \frac{V_A}{c} \right)^2 \left( \frac{r_L}{H} \right)^{q-2} \varepsilon_p^2,$$

$$\dot{F}_{p,\text{inj}} = \dot{F}_0 \delta(\varepsilon_p - \varepsilon_{p,\text{inj}})$$

- Electromagnetic cascades (EM cascades)

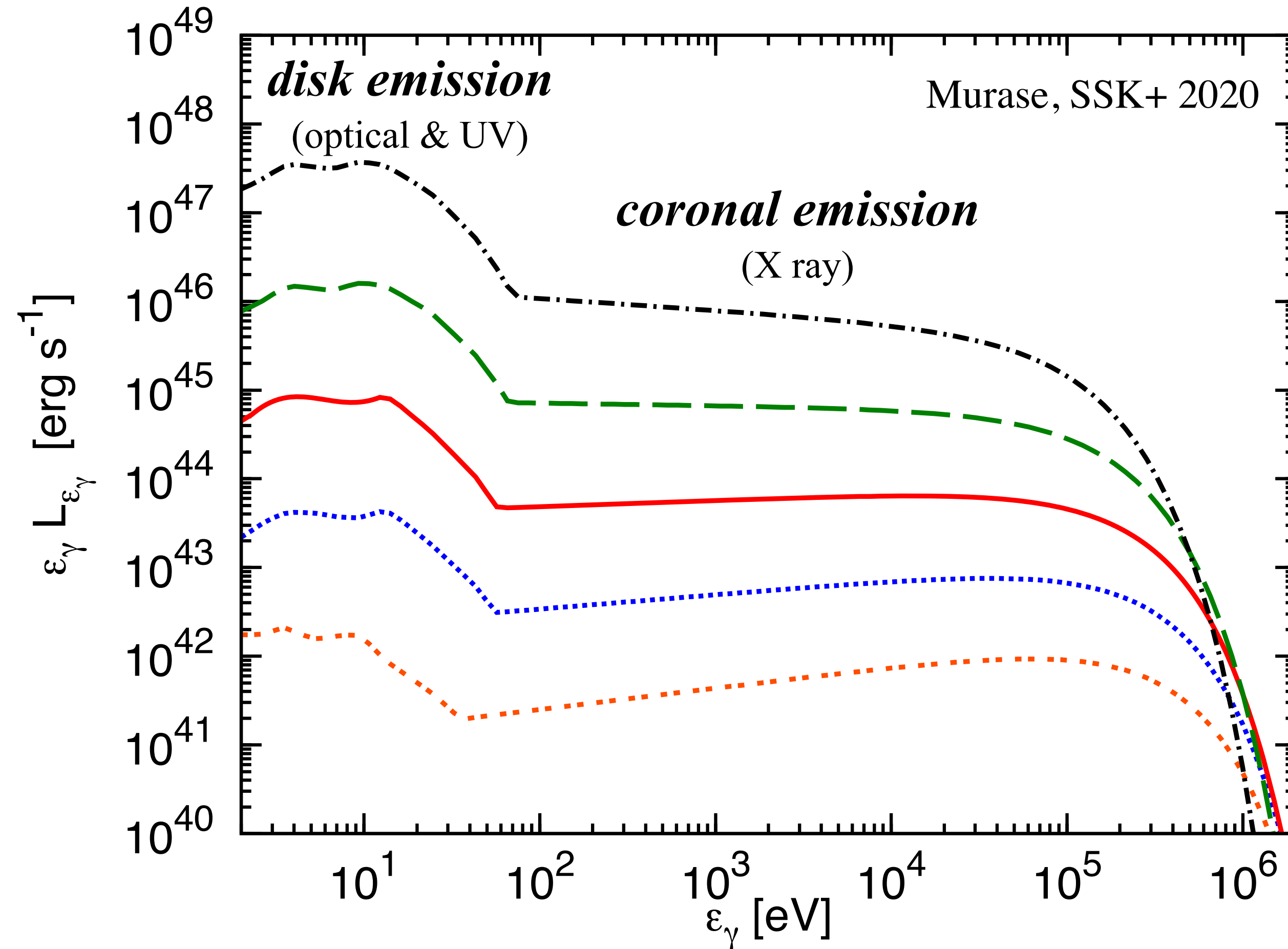
$$\frac{\partial n_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^\gamma}{\partial t} = -\frac{n_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^\gamma}{t_{\gamma\gamma}} - \frac{n_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^\gamma}{t_{\text{esc}}} + \dot{n}_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^{(\text{IC})} + \dot{n}_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^{(\text{ff})} + \dot{n}_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^{(\text{syn})} + \dot{n}_{\varepsilon_\gamma}^{\text{inj}},$$

$$\frac{\partial n_{\varepsilon_e}^e}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon_e} [(P_{\text{IC}} + P_{\text{syn}} + P_{\text{ff}} + P_{\text{Cou}}) n_{\varepsilon_e}^e] = \dot{n}_{\varepsilon_e}^{(\gamma\gamma)} - \frac{n_{\varepsilon_e}^e}{t_{\text{esc}}} + \dot{n}_{\varepsilon_e}^{\text{inj}},$$

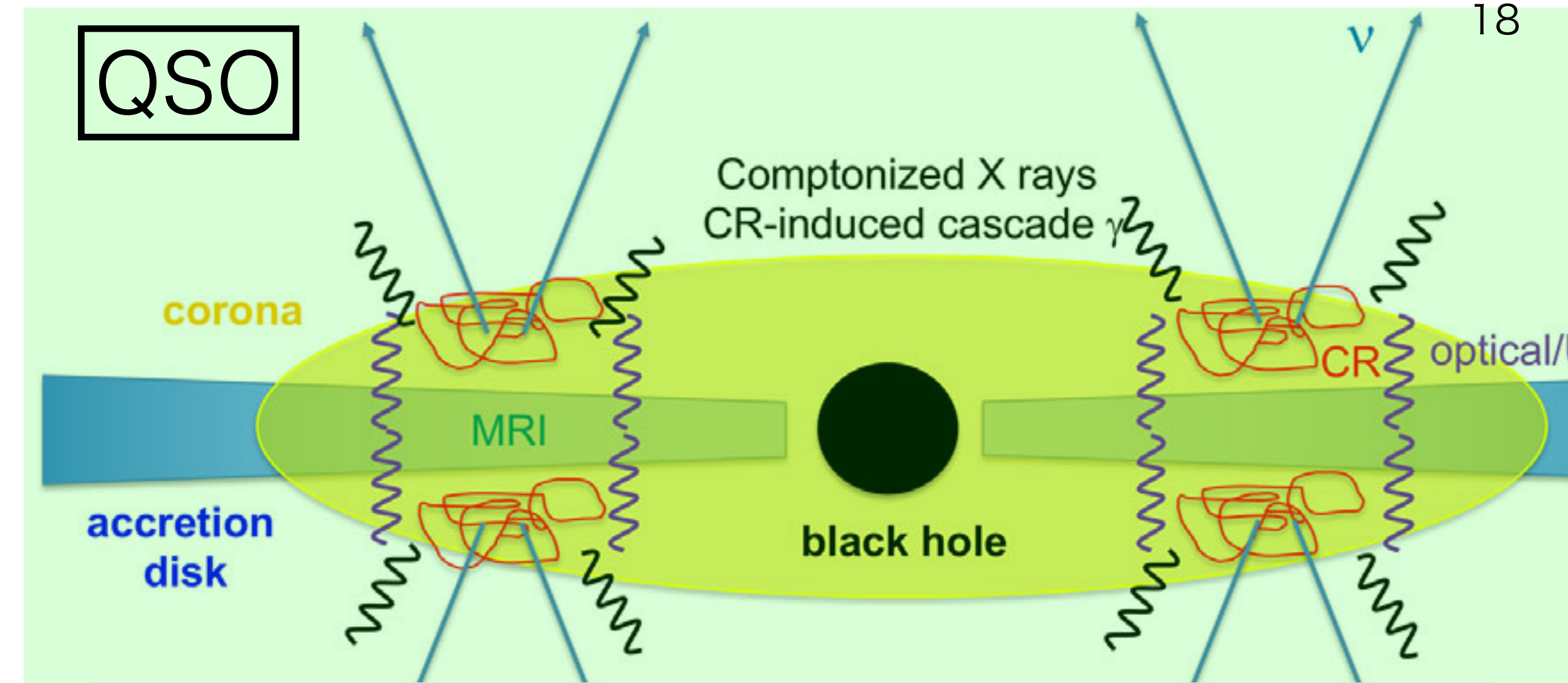
- Gyro-resonant wave-particle interactions in Kolmogorov-like MHD turbulence
- Escape : Diffusion & advection (to SMBH)
- Coolings:
  - $p+p \rightarrow p + p (n) + \pi$
  - $p+\gamma \rightarrow p (n) + \pi$ ,
  - $p+\gamma \rightarrow p + e^+ + e^-$
  - proton synchrotron
- Muon & Pion decay before cooling
- $\gamma+\gamma \rightarrow e+e^-$  initiate EM cascade emission



# Target photons in QSO



Pringle 1981, Ho 2008, Hopkins 2007, Mayers et al. 2018  
Bat AGN Spectroscopic Survey 2017, 2018,



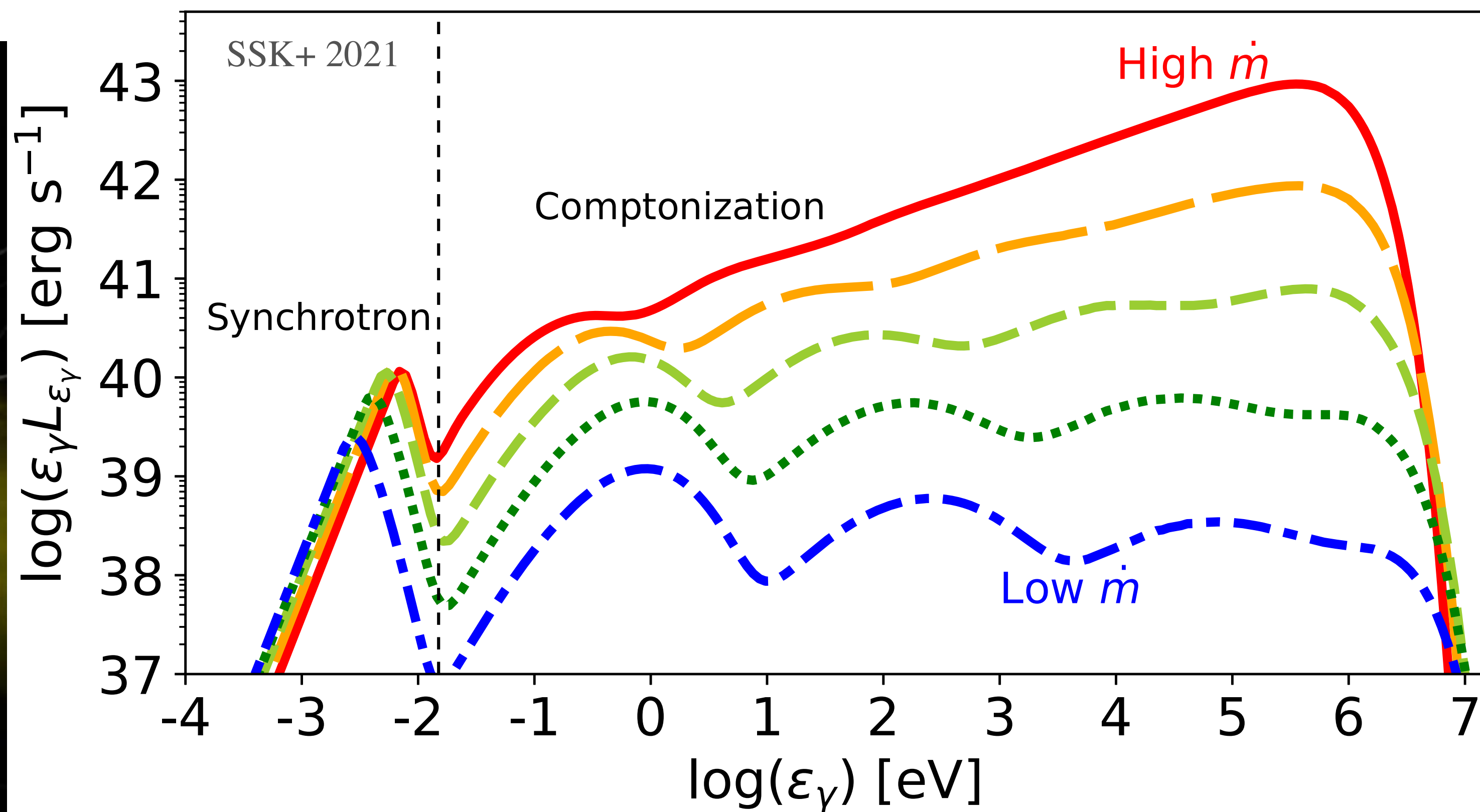
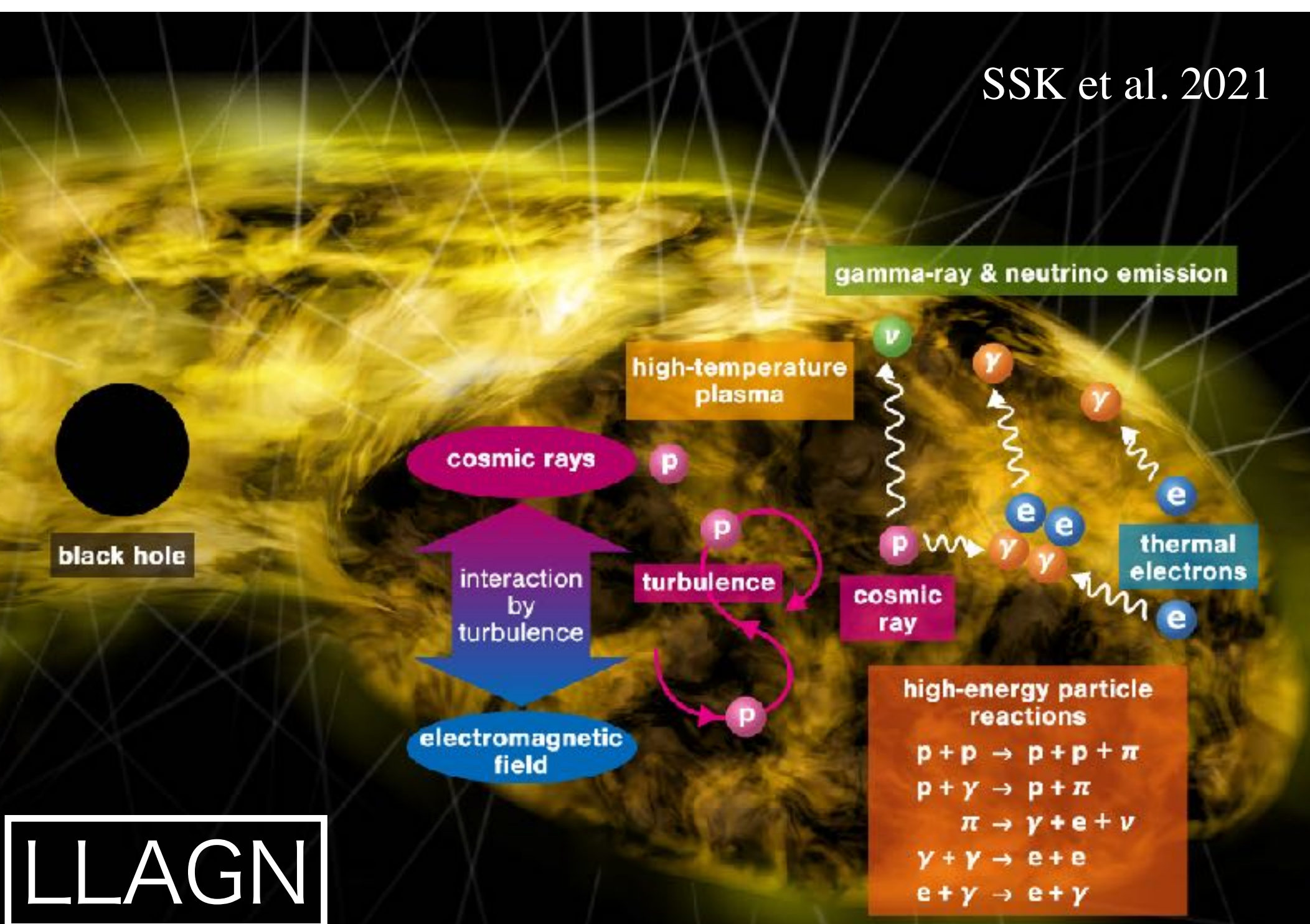
- Luminous objects  
→ Rich observational data  
→ **empirical relation based on observations**
- Opt-UV photons from accretion disk
- X-rays from hot coronae
- Higher  $L_{\text{opt}}/L_x$  for higher  $L_x$  AGNs
- Softer spectra for higher  $L_x$  AGNs



# Target photons in LLAGN

See also SSK et al. 2015, 2019

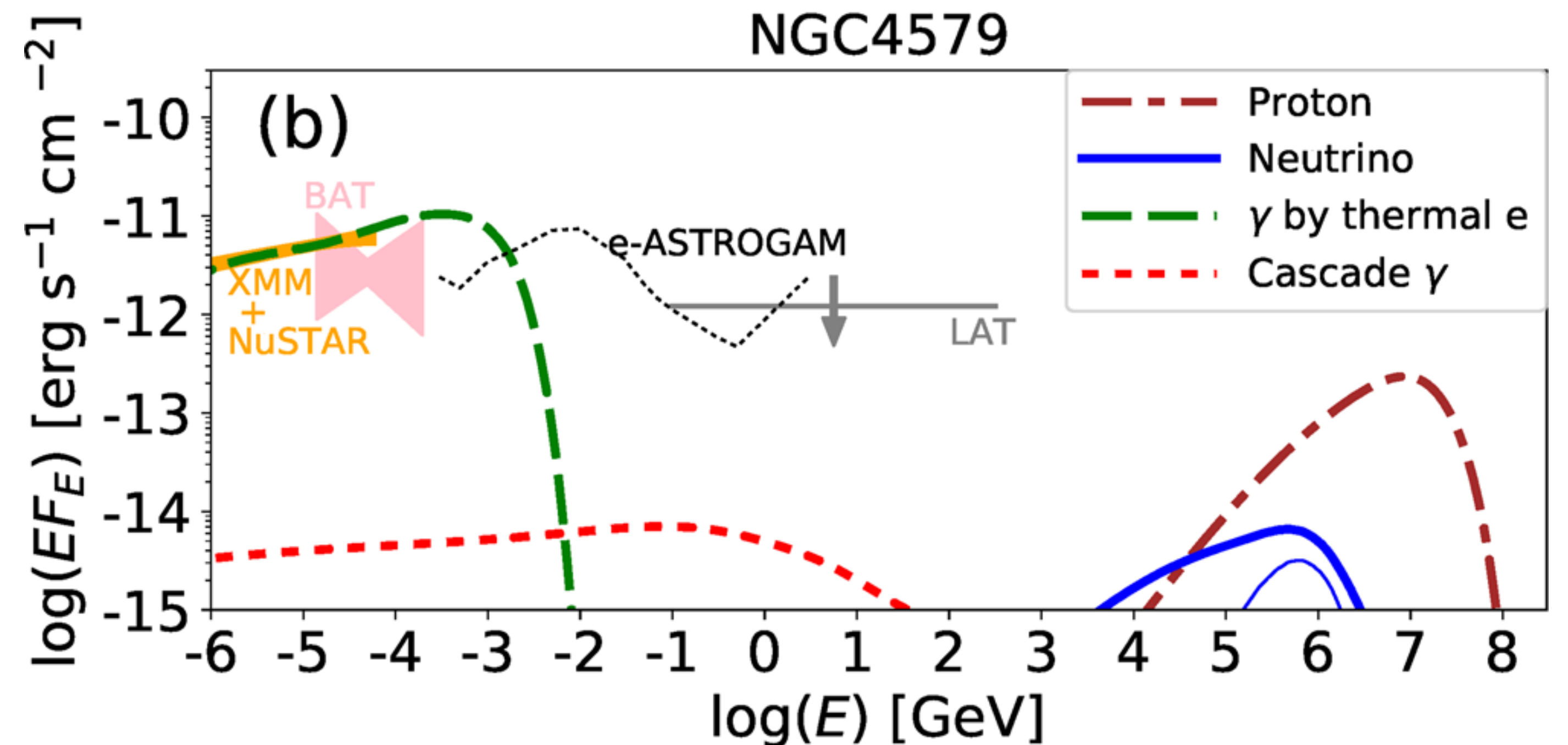
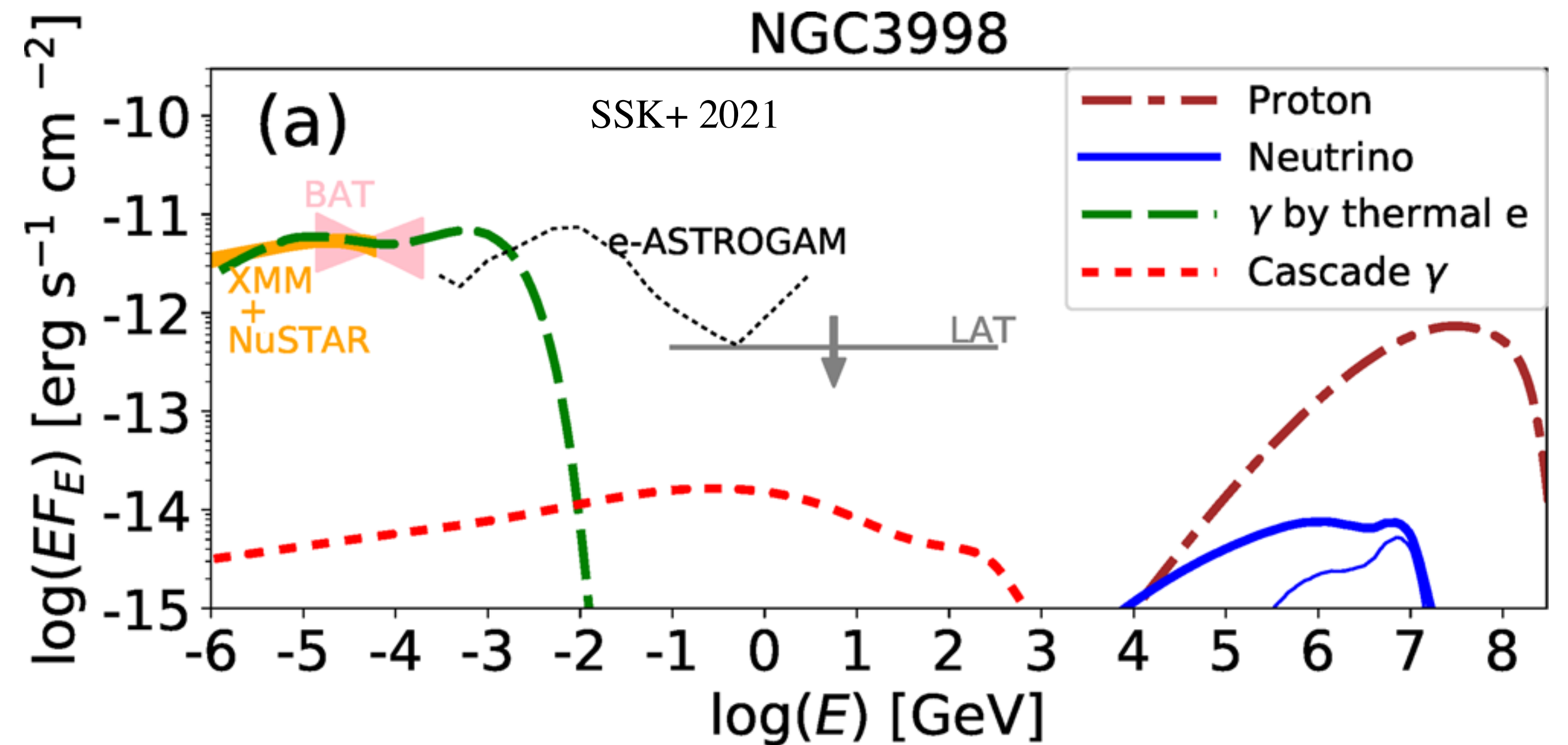
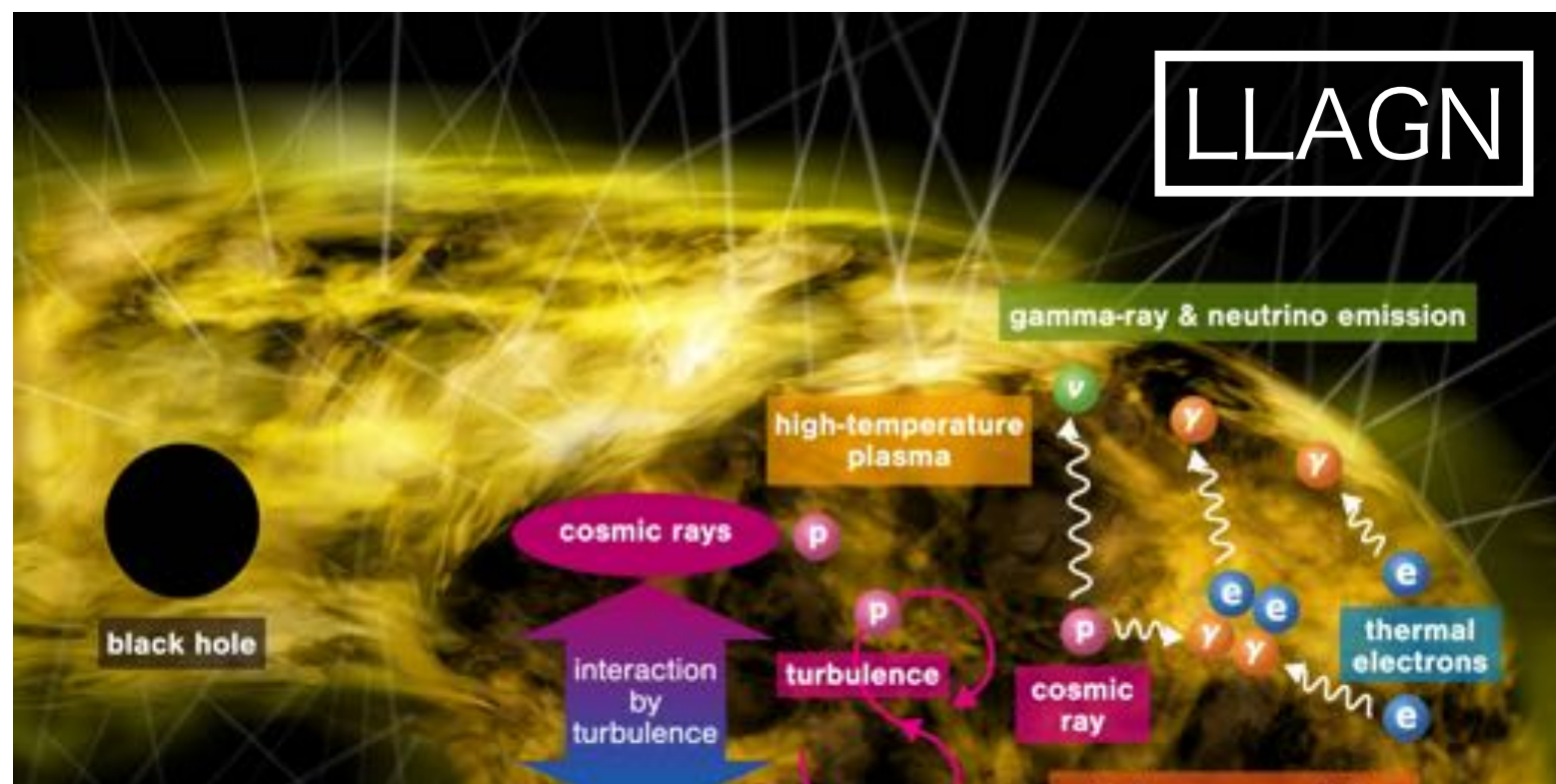
- Low-luminosity  
→ Poor observational data  
→ **Formulation based on theory**
- Thermal electrons in RIAFs emit photons through Synchrotron & Comptonization
- **Photon cutoff energy is always around MeV**





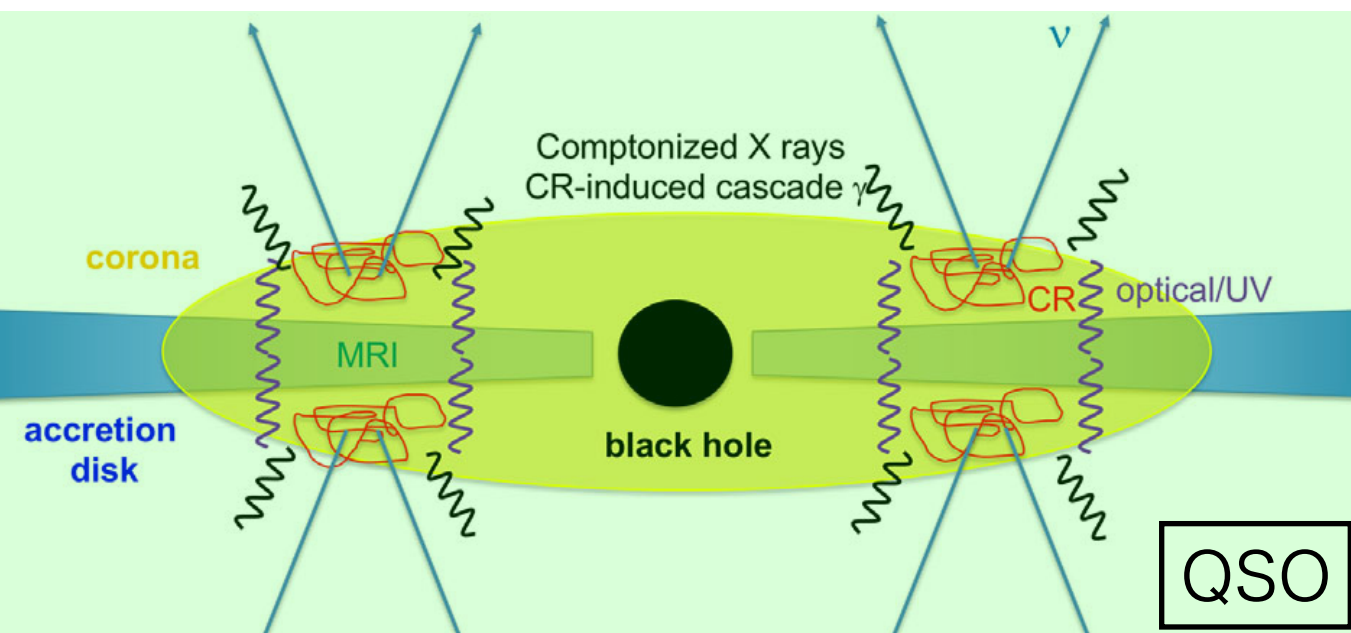
# Multi-messenger SED for LLAGN

- Calibrating plasma parameters using X-ray data
- **Most of nearby bright LLAGNs should be detected by future MeV satellites**
- Hard proton CR spectra
- Neutrino energy: 0.1–10PeV

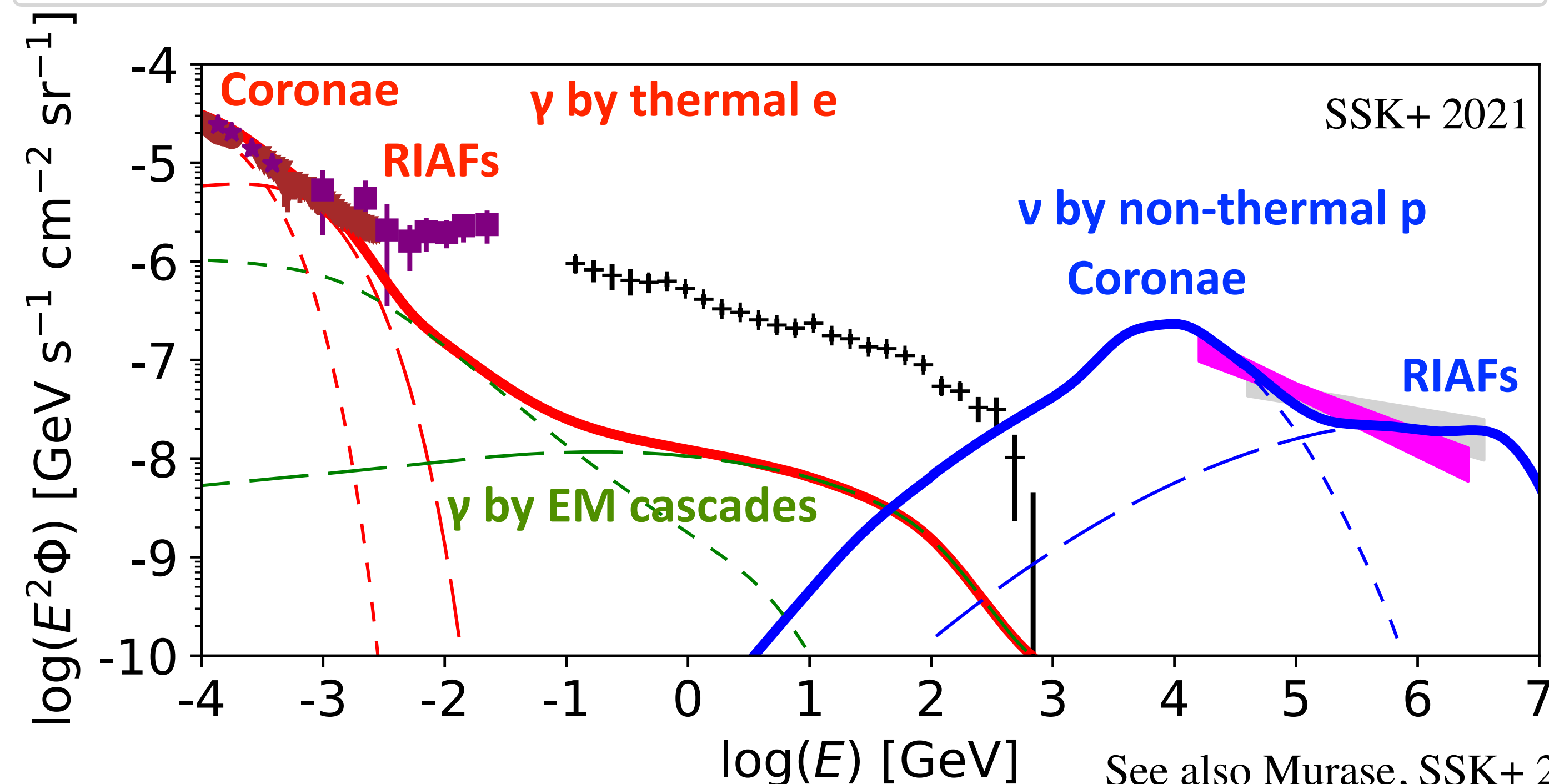
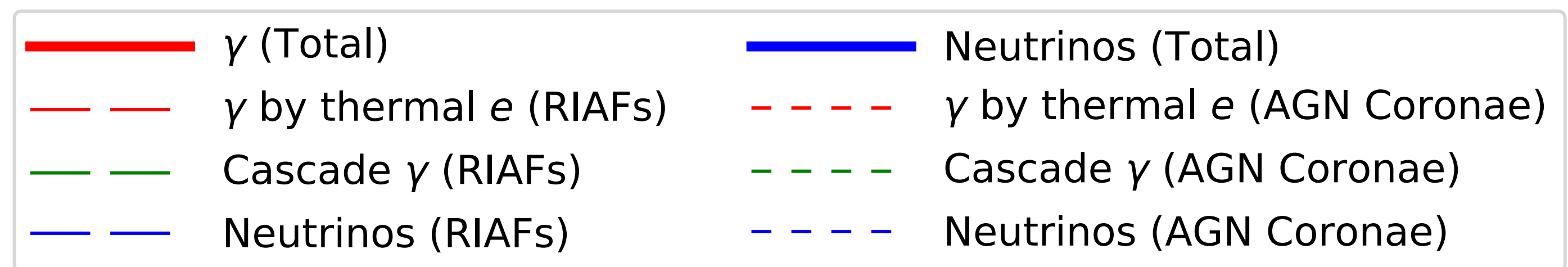
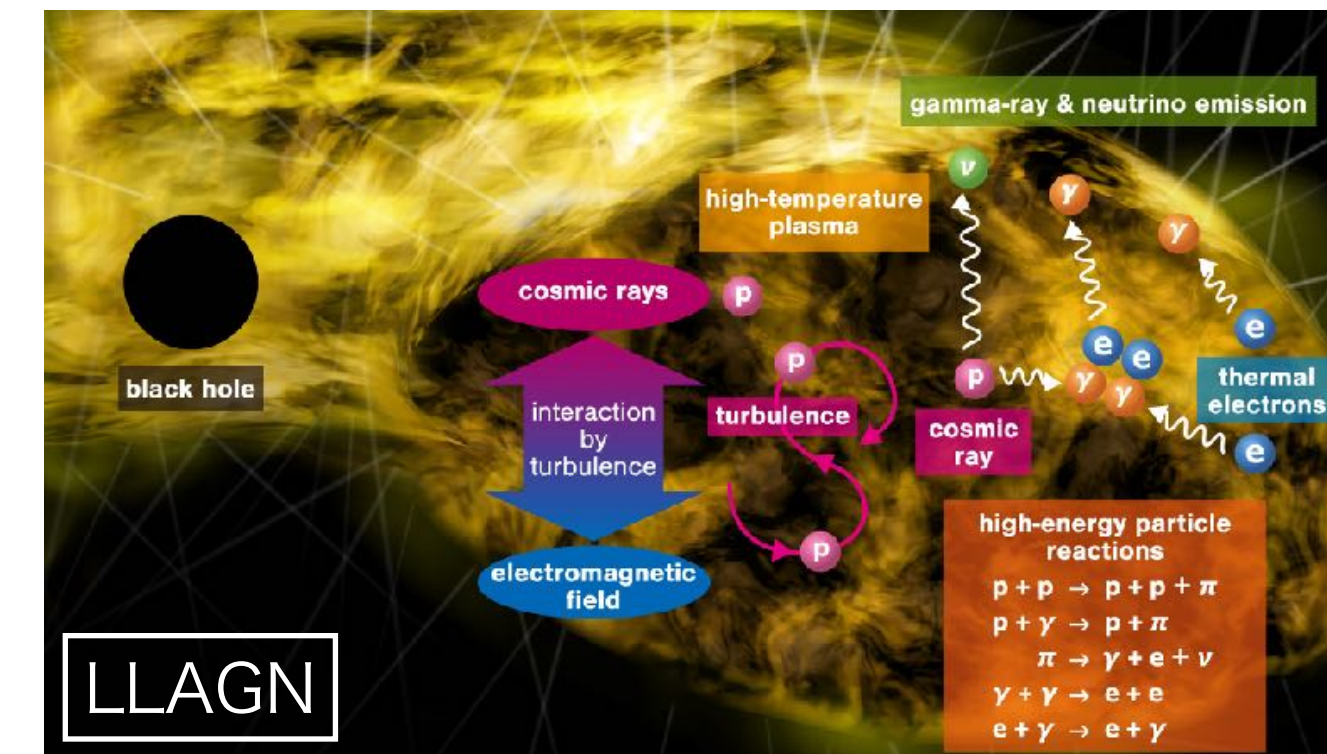




# Cosmic High-energy Background from RQ AGNs



$$\Phi_i = \frac{c}{4\pi H_0} \int \frac{dz}{\sqrt{(1+z)^3 \Omega_m + \Omega_\Lambda}} \int dL_{H\alpha} \rho_{H\alpha} \frac{L_{\epsilon_i}}{\epsilon_i} e^{-\tau_{i,IGM}},$$



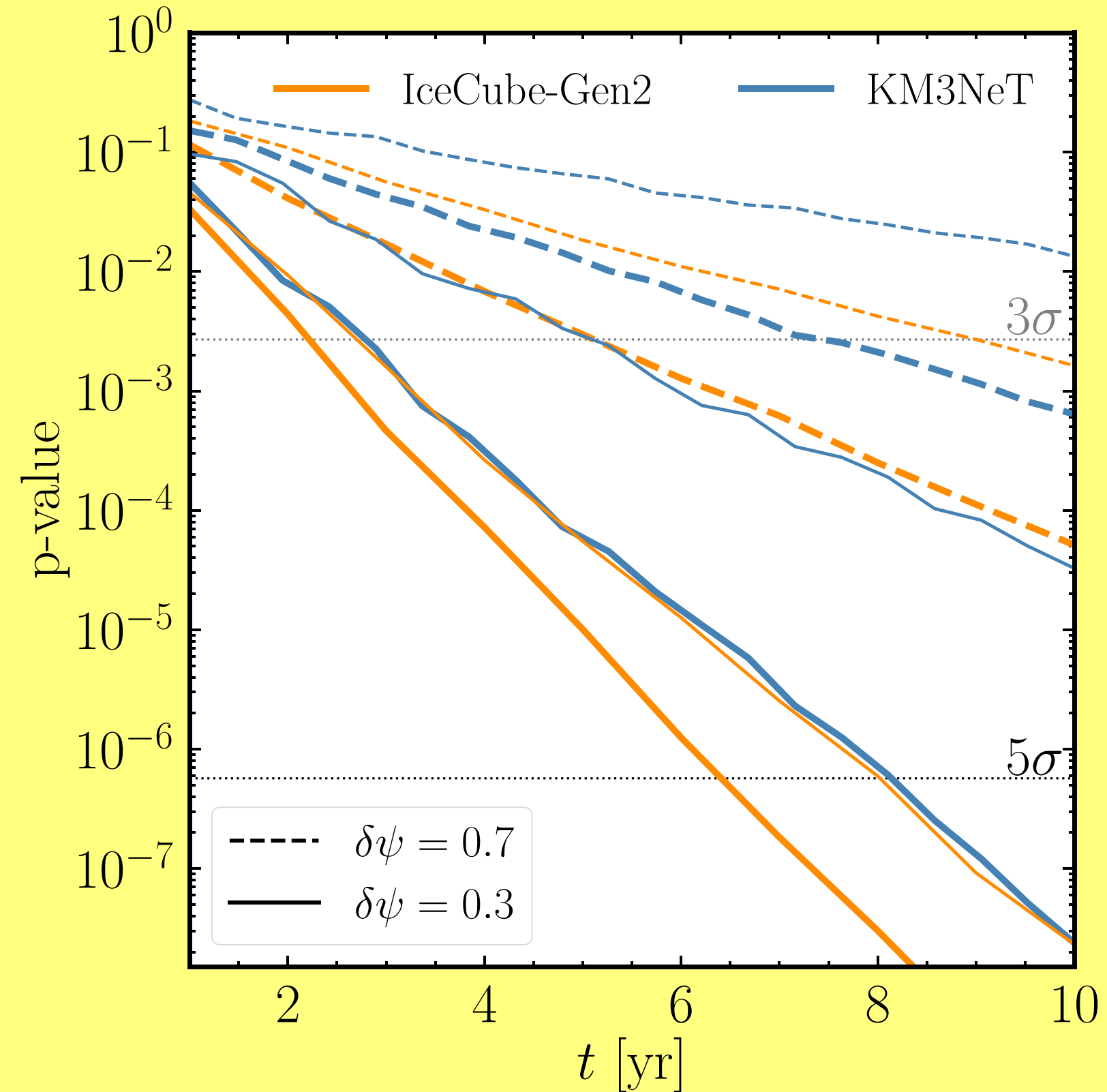
- **QSO: X-ray & 10 TeV neutrinos**
- **LLAGN: MeV  $\gamma$  & PeV neutrinos**
- Copious photons
  - efficient  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e+e-$
  - strong GeV  $\gamma$  attenuation
  - GeV flux below the Fermi data
- **AGN cores can account for keV-MeV  $\gamma$  & TeV-PeV  $\nu$  background**

See also Murase, SSK+ 2020 PRL; SSK+ 2019, PRD; SSK+ 2015



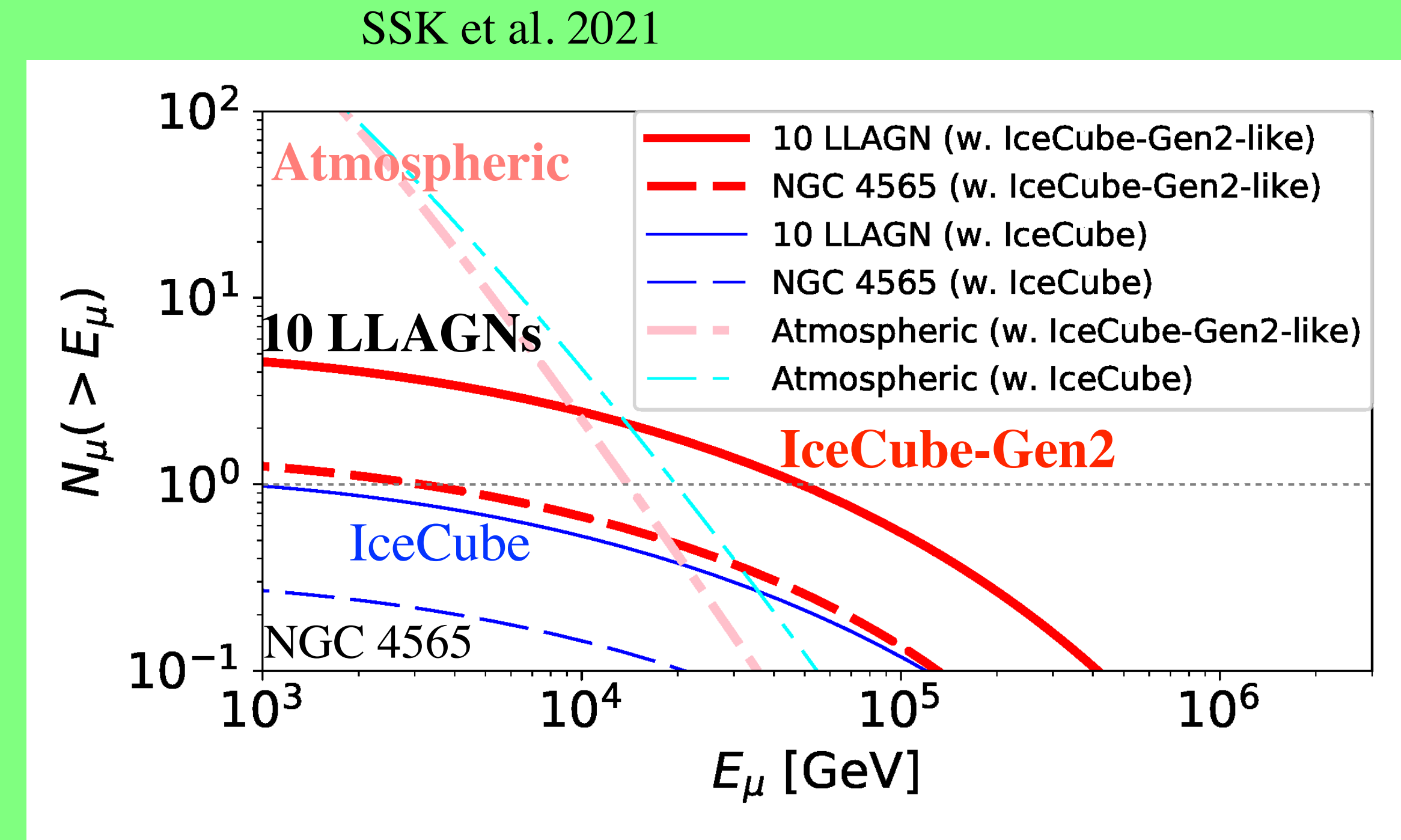
# HE particles from Nearby AGNs

- Stacking nearby Seyferts Kheirandish, Murase, SSK 2021



- Our model predicts  $L_\nu \propto L_X$   
→ we can pick up good  $\nu$ -source candidates
- Future detectors should detect  $\nu$  from AGN  
→ **robustly test model by future experiments**

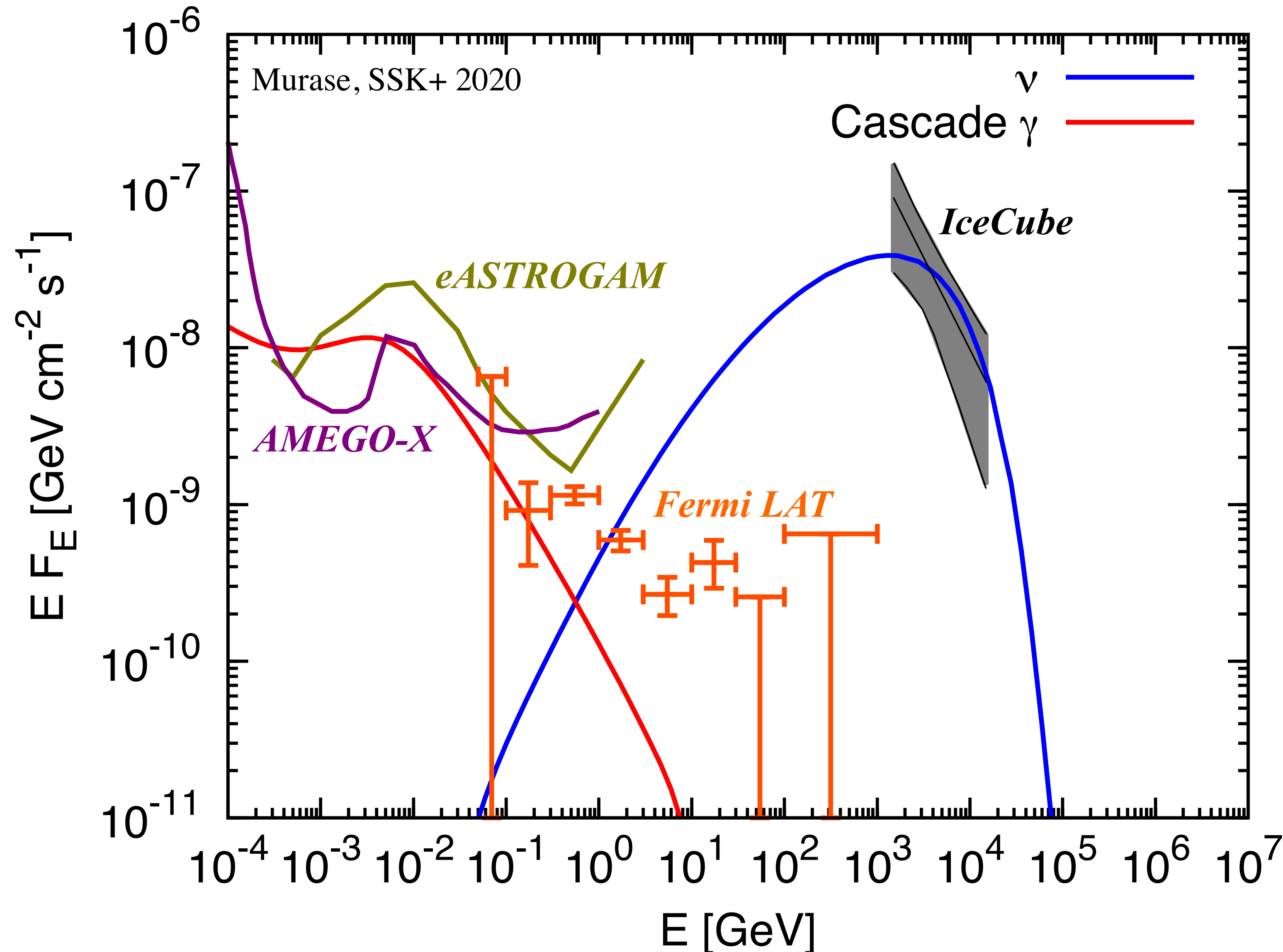
- Stacking nearby LL AGNs



- IceCube cannot detect any neutrinos**
- IceCube-Gen2 will detect a few neutrinos above atmospheric background**



# Application to NGC 1068



- Our model fit latest IceCube data without tuning parameters
- Model update:  
 $L_X = 10^{43} \text{ erg/s} \rightarrow 3 \times 10^{43} \text{ erg/s}$
- Gamma-rays are absorbed by  
 $\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$   
 $\rightarrow$  consistent with gamma-ray data
- Future MeV satellites can detect MeV gamma-rays



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# Summary

- Origins of cosmic high-energy neutrinos are big mystery in astrophysics
- **Accretion flow provides unified scenario for cosmic HE backgrounds**
  - Coranae in Seyferts galaxies can reproduce X-ray & 10-100 TeV  $\nu$  backgrounds without violating Fermi constraints.
  - RIAFs in LLAGNs can explain MeV  $\gamma$  & PeV  $\nu$  backgrounds
- **Future multi-messenger observations can solidly test the scenario:**
  - Future detectors can detect AGN as point sources
  - Proposed MeV satellites can detect MeV  $\gamma$  rays from nearby AGNs

