IceCube Real-time Program

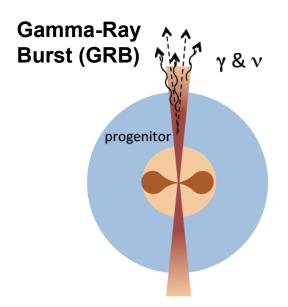
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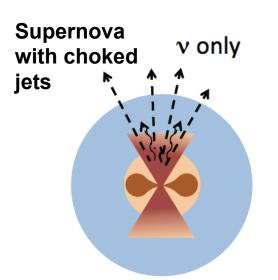


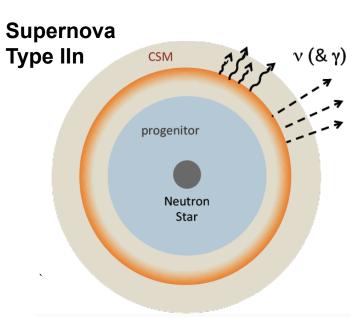




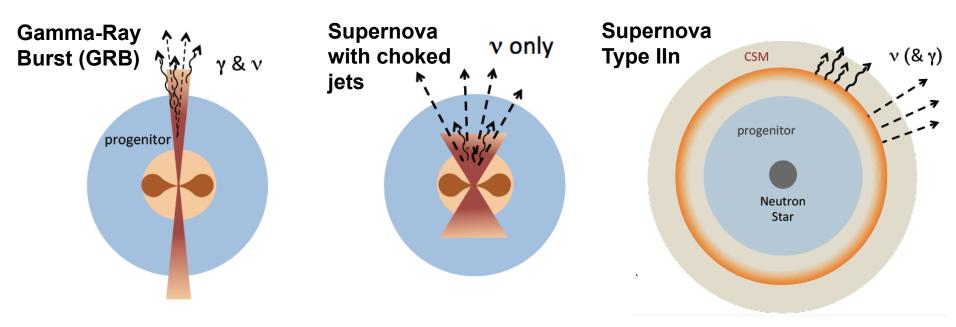
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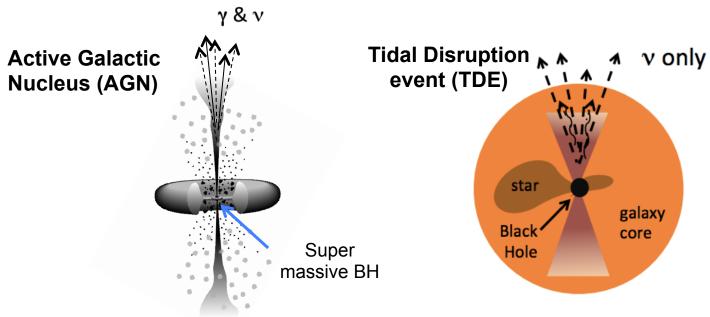






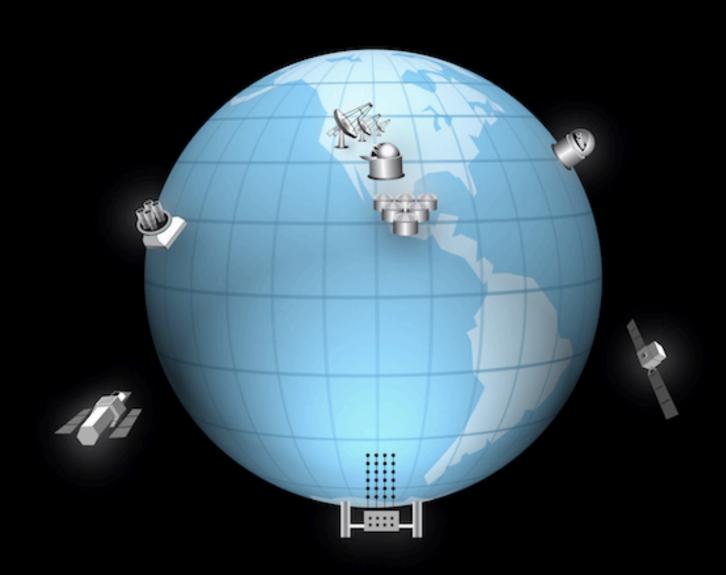
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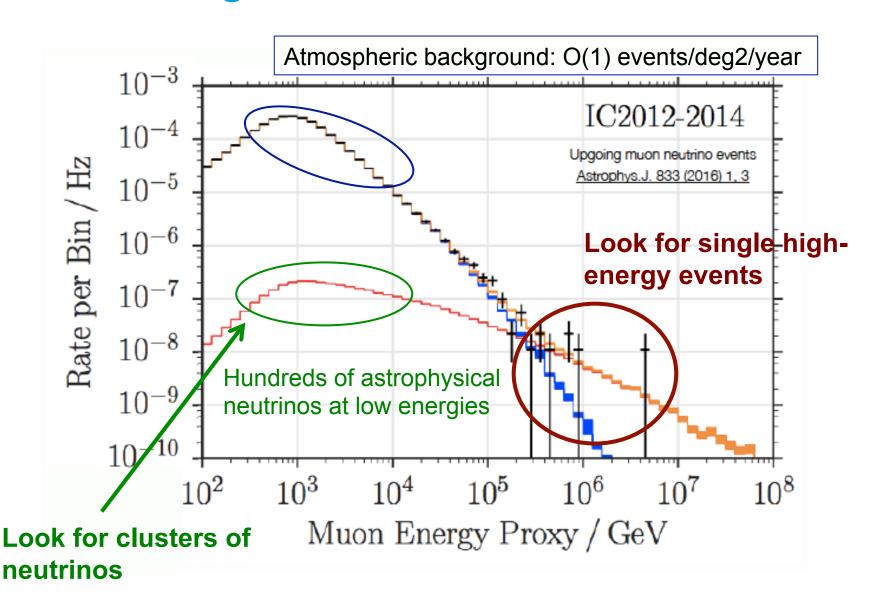


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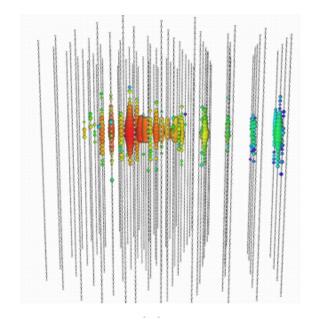


Two Strategies

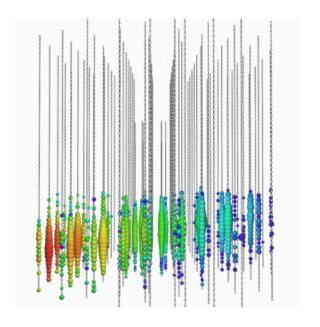


High-energy Single Events – Two Streams

- High-energy starting tracks (HESE)
- Veto against atmospheric muons by outer detector layer
- 4 events / year (1 signal/y)



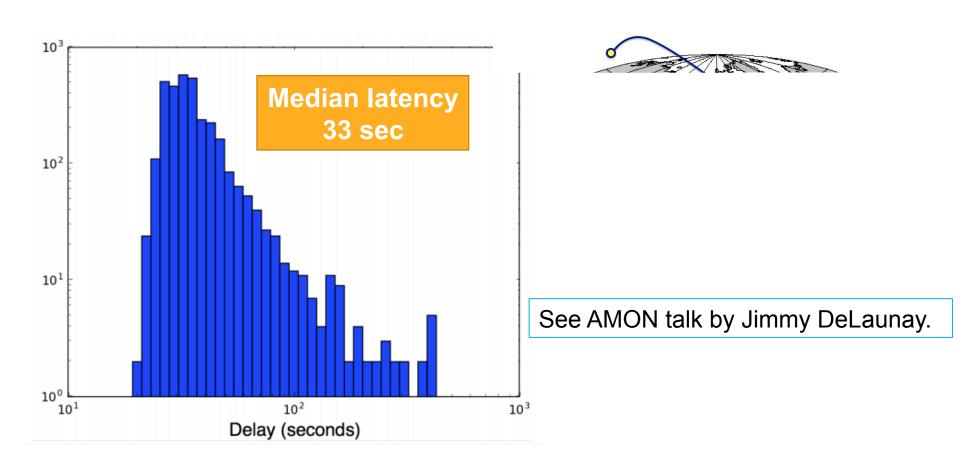
- Through going high-energy events (EHE)
- 4 events / year (2 signal/y)
- Better angular resolution compared to HESE



High-energy Single Events – Public GCN

Public alerts since April 2016

Distribution through Gamma-ray Coordinate Network (GCN) via AMON

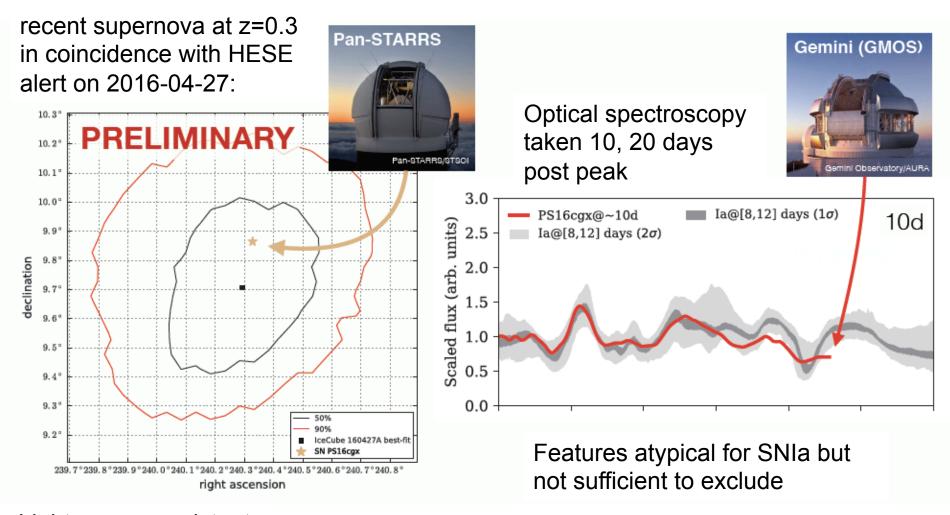


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High-energy Single Events

Interesting Candidate – Pan-STARRS Supernova

IceCube, ICRC 2017



Light curve consistent with explosion days before neutrino alert

Chance probability { if **lc** (associated with GRBs): <1% if **la** (no HE neutrinos exp.): <10%

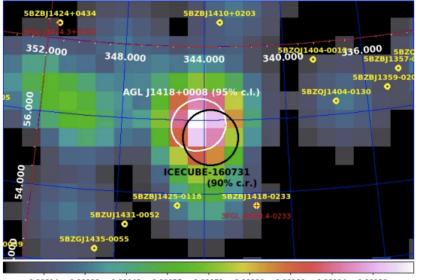
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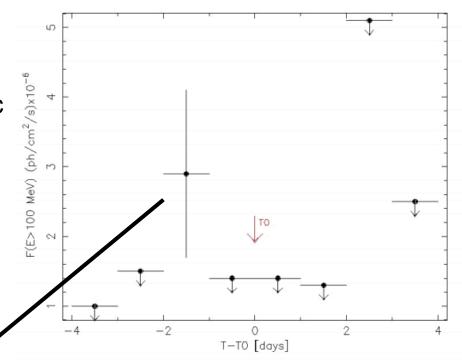
Interesting Candidate

AGILE gamma-ray signal

- No prompt emission in +/-1000 sec
- Gamma-ray signal 2 days before the neutrino event (~4σ post-trial significance)
- Not a known gamma-ray source, possibly HBL blazar

AGILE intensity map (>100MeV)

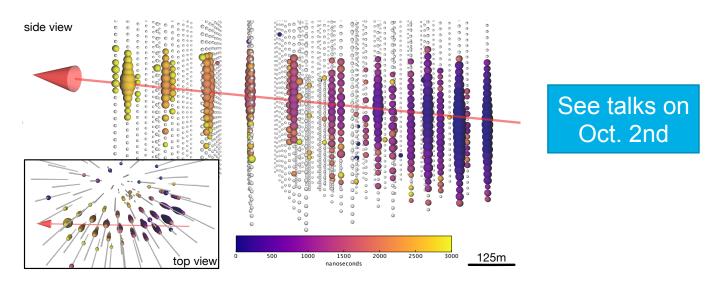




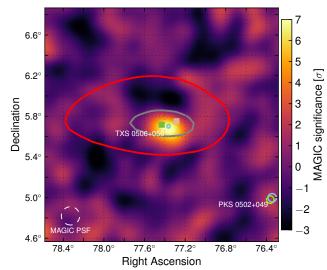
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High-energy Single Events

Most Interesting Candidate – TXS 0506+056

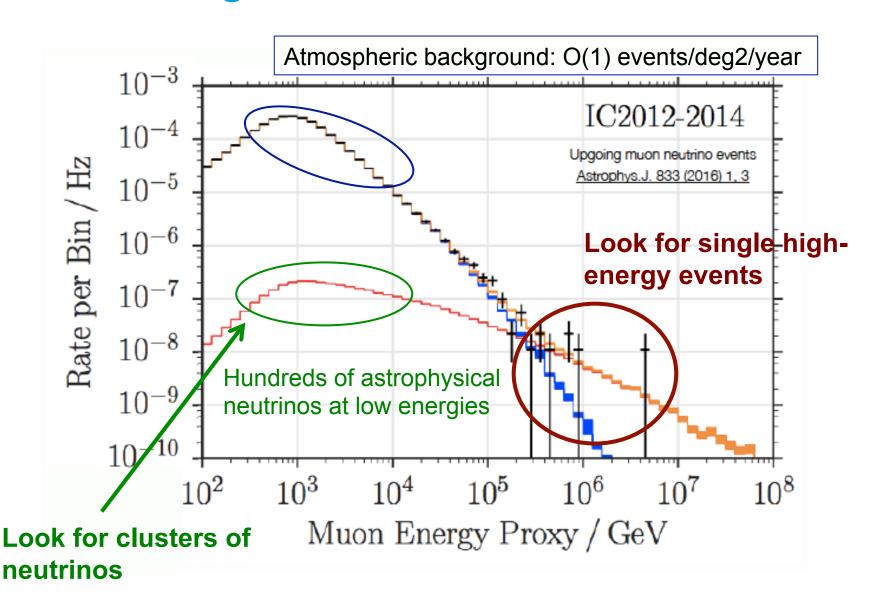






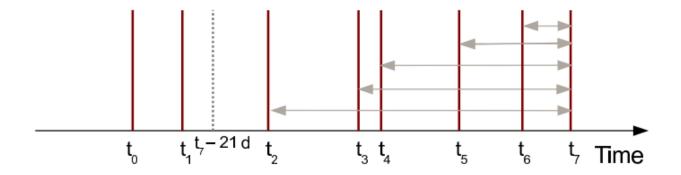
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Two Strategies



Neutrino Clusters from pre-defined sources Monitoring blazars in neutrinos

- Input stream: all-sky muon-neutrino candidates above few 100 GeV
- Clusters from predefined source list
 - Bright, hard and variable GeV γ-ray sources
 - 180 sources: mostly blazars
 - Clusters on all time scales up to 3 weeks
 - p-value calculated for clusters, if threshold is reached alert is sent
- Forwarded to MAGIC, VERITAS and HESS (~2/yr)

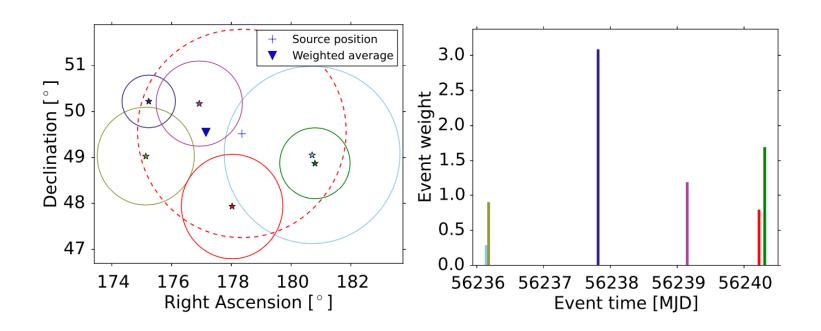


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Neutrino Clusters from pre-defined sources

Most interesting flare

- Most significant alert: Nov. 9th 2012
- 6 events in 4.2 days, followed up by VERITAS, no counterpart found
- Log10(p-value) = -4.64 (0.2% after trials correction)

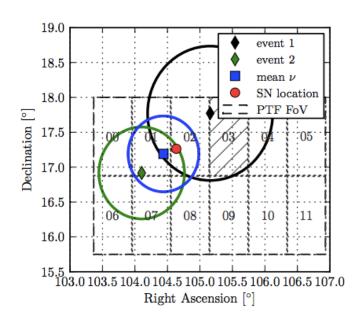


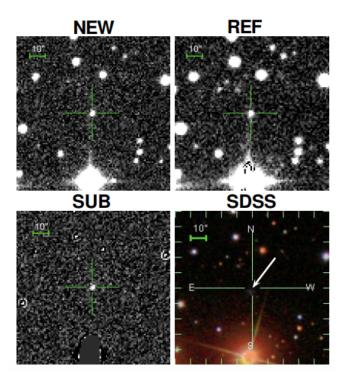
Short Neutrino Transients

- Input stream: Northern hemisphere muon-neutrino stream above few 100 GeV
- Two or more events within 100 sec
 - Likelihood term selects most interesting multiplets

Triggers optical (MASTER, ZTF, ASAS-SN) and X-ray (Swift-XRT)

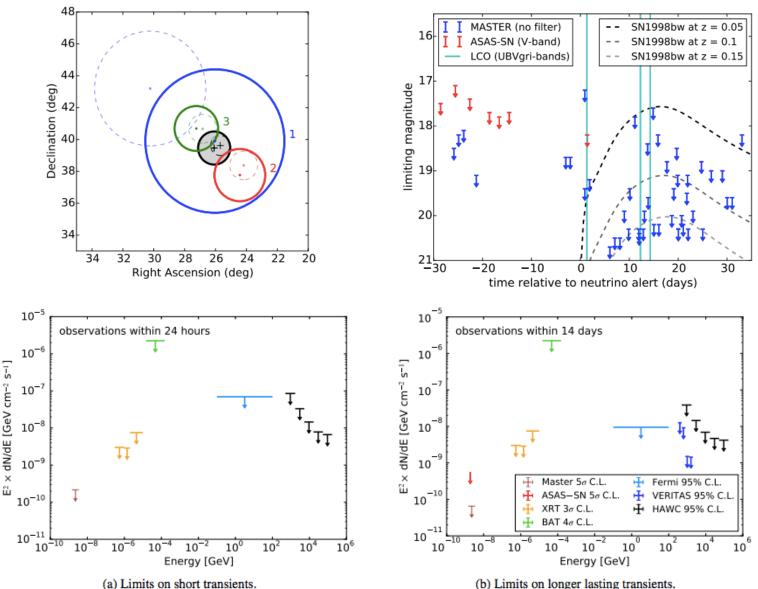
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Short Neutrino Transients

First triplet with extensive multi-wavelength follow-up



IceCube Fast Response Analysis

What did IceCube see?

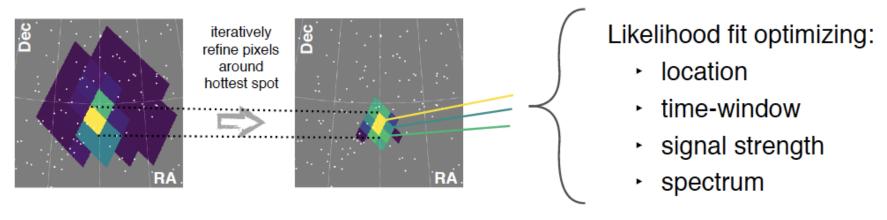
- Externally triggered
- All-sky muon-track neutrino stream
- Search for neutrino emission in time window <2 week
- Approval by IceCube Realtime Oversight Committee (ROC)

Source	Start Time	Duration	RA	Dec	Extension
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Cygnus X-3	2017-04-03 00:00:00	1:00:00:00	308.11°	$+40.96^{\circ}$	0.0°
GRB 170405A	2017-04-05 18:35:49	0:00:20:02	219.83°	-25.24°	0.0°
AGL J0523+0646	2017-04-15 11:50:00	2:00:00:00	080.86°	$+06.78^{\circ}$	0.6°
IceCube 170506A	2017-05-06 00:36:55	1:00:00:00	221.80°	-26.00°	1.0°
AT2017eaw	2017-05-10 12:00:00	3:00:00:00	308.68°	$+60.19^{\circ}$	0.0°

Soon: Longer Time-Scale Neutrino Clusters

Real-time all-sky search

Scan pixels around most-recent event with time-clustering analysis



Identify hotspots as they grow and notify community within one minute of neutrino observation at the South Pole

Expected public alert rate: 1 alert / year

Summary

- Multi-messenger studies are crucial to identify the origin of high-energy neutrinos
- IceCube has several analysis in place
 - Follow-up of single high-energy events
 - Follow-up of neutrino clusters
- First interesting candidates identified
- Improvements in the future will hopefully provide more interesting multimessenger events!

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