

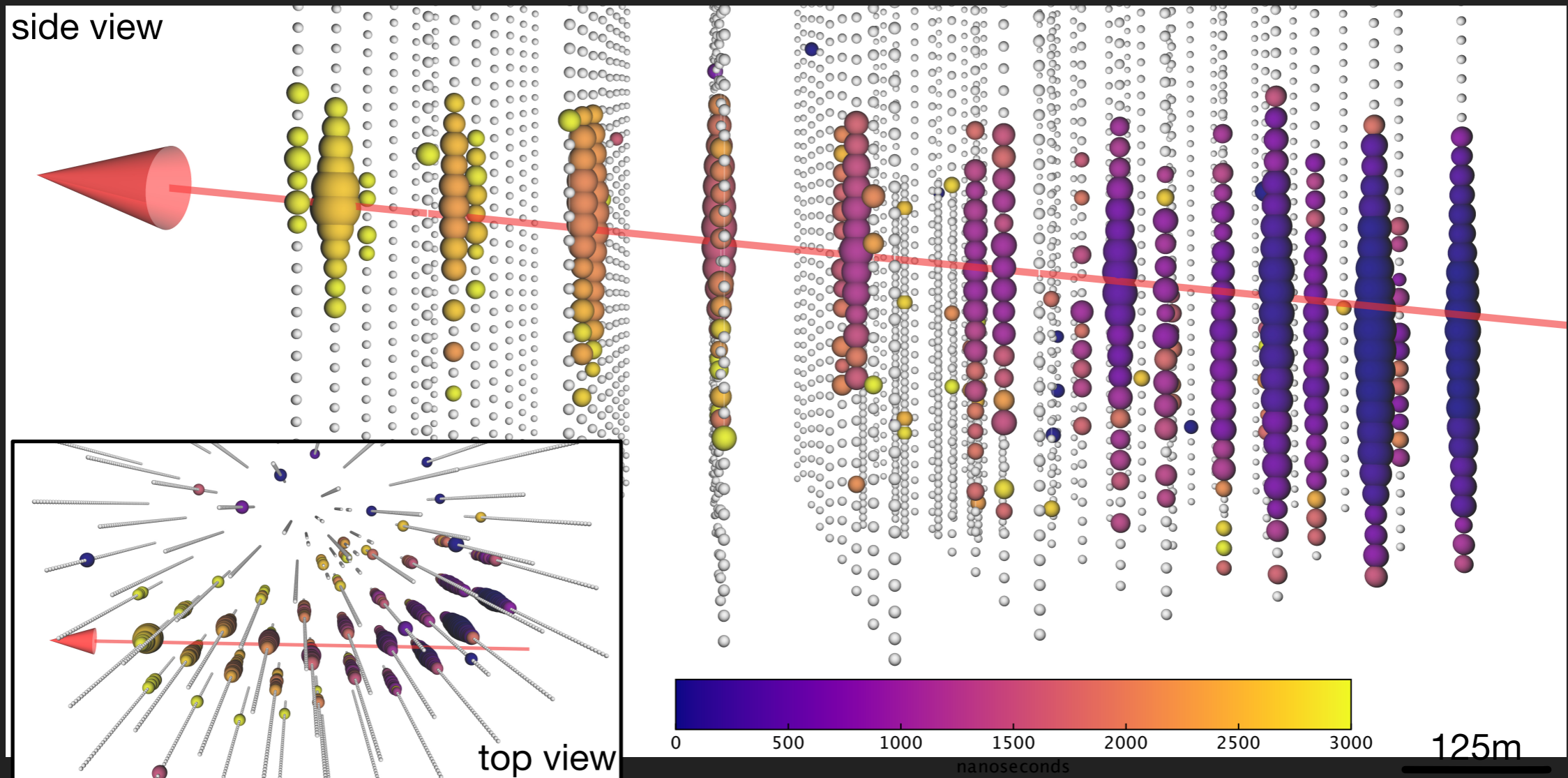
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A Multimessenger Picture of Flaring Blazar TXS 0506+056



IceCube-170922A: A High-Energy Neutrino



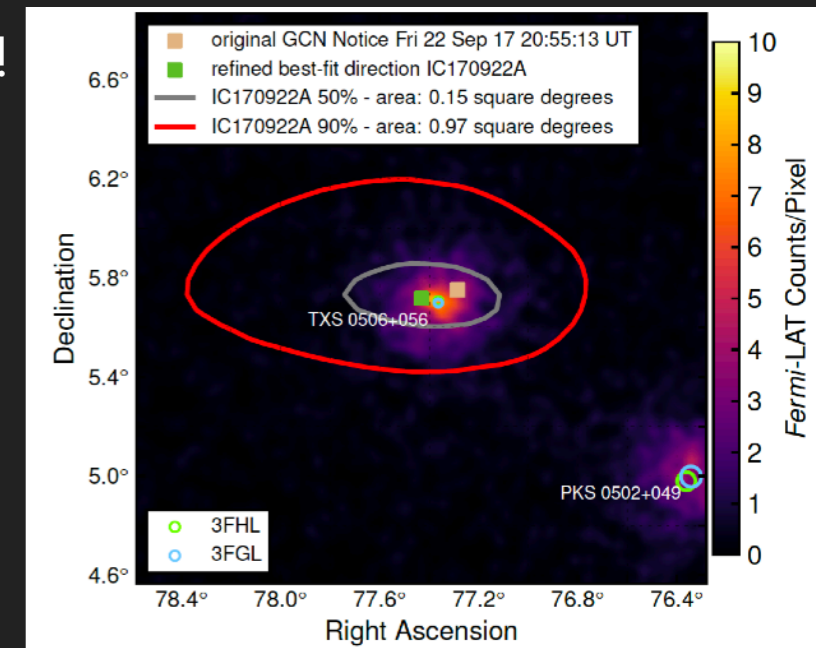
On Sept 22, 2017, IceCube detected a high-energy $\nu \approx 290$ TeV energy!

IceCube Collaboration, et al., Science 361, eaat1378 (2018)

Fermi LAT was the first telescope to report that TXS 0506+056 was in a flaring state!

An extensive multi-wavelength campaign happened!

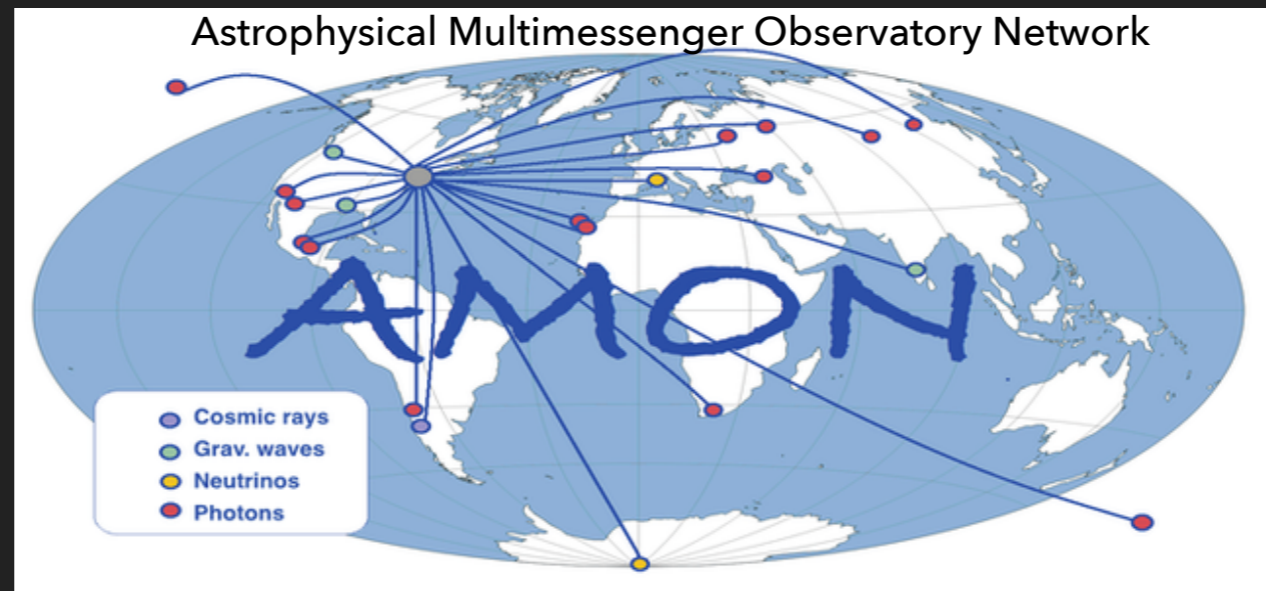
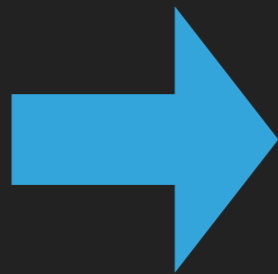
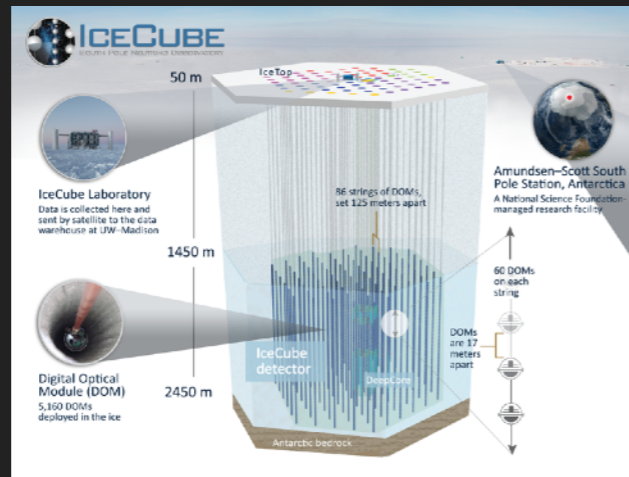
★ See also Anna Franckowiak's talk



IceCube Realtime Alert System and AMON

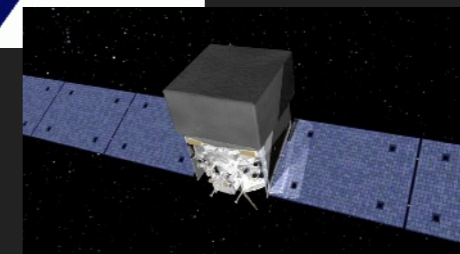
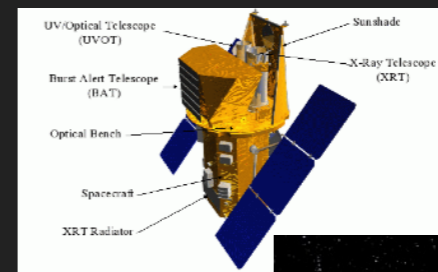
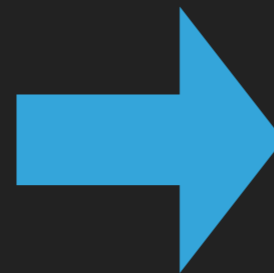
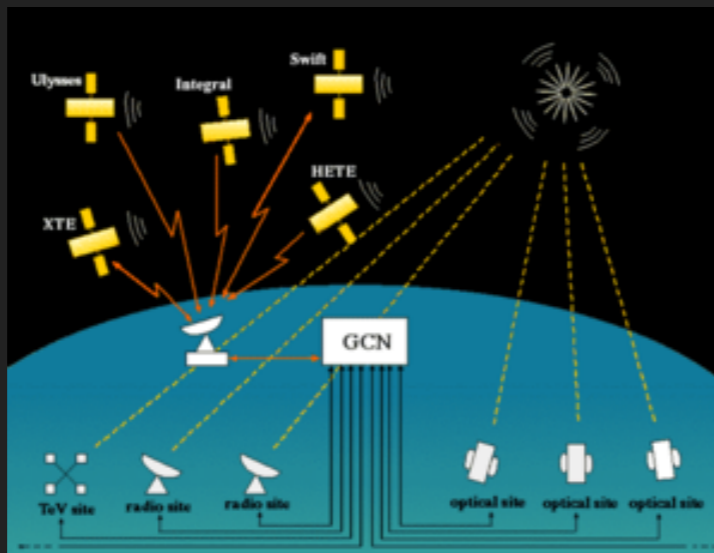
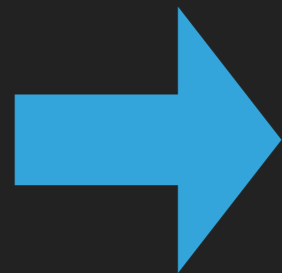
★ See also Naoko Kurahashi Neilson's talk

High-energy ν 's detected at the South Pole



Sent to AMON at Penn State

Sent to GCN



(Automatically) trigger observatories



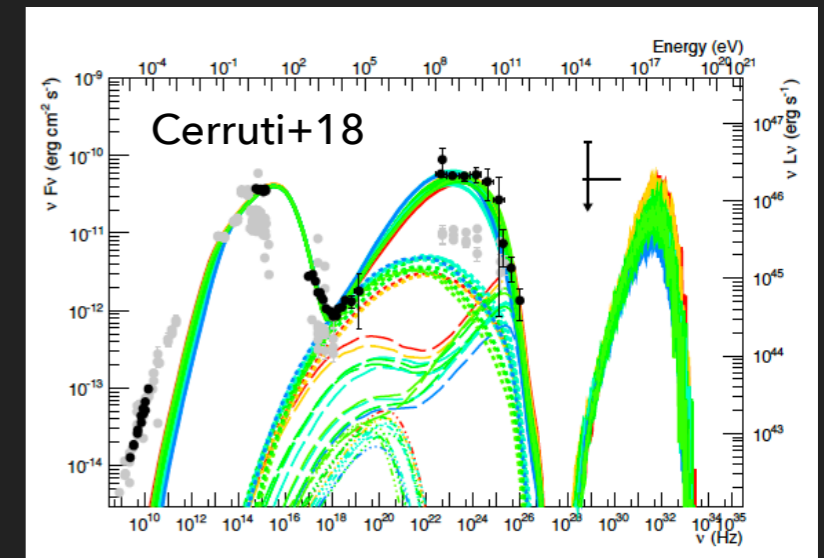
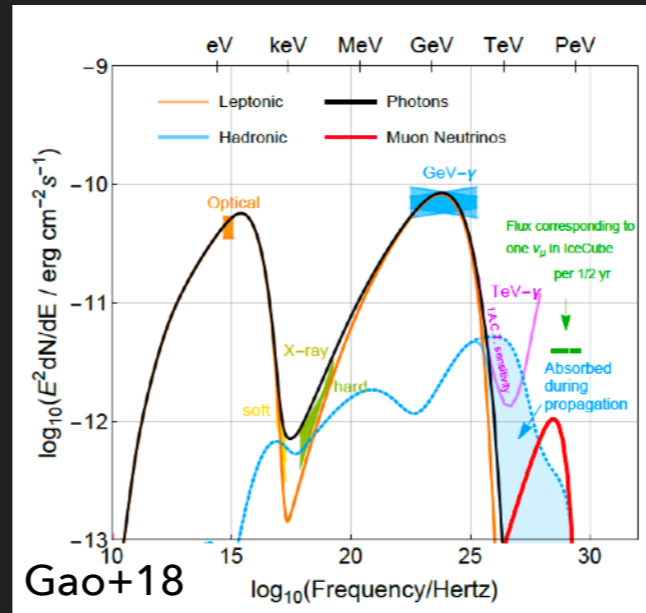
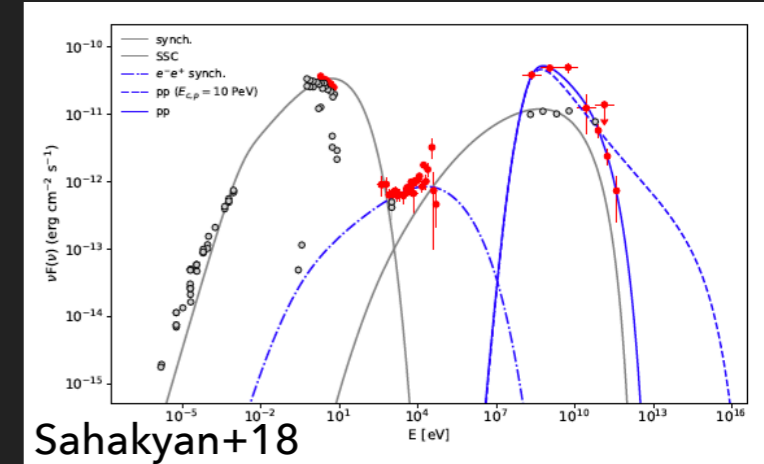
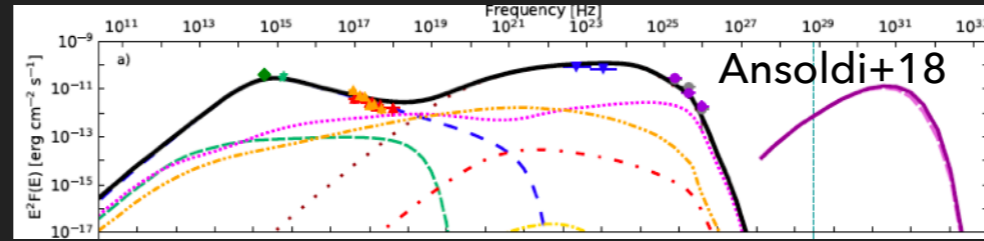
Multimessenger campaigns resulted in the first and only 3σ high-energy neutrino source association!

Blazars maybe a source of high-energy neutrinos!

Interpretations of TXS 0506+056: Various Papers

Other papers:

- ★ Ansoldi+ (MAGIC Collab.)
- ★ Gao+ (1807.04275)
- ★ Murase+ (1807.04748)
- ★ Cerruti+ (1807.04335)
- ★ He+ (1808.04330)
- ★ Liu+ (1807.05113)
- ★ Sahakyan (1808.05651)
- ★ ...

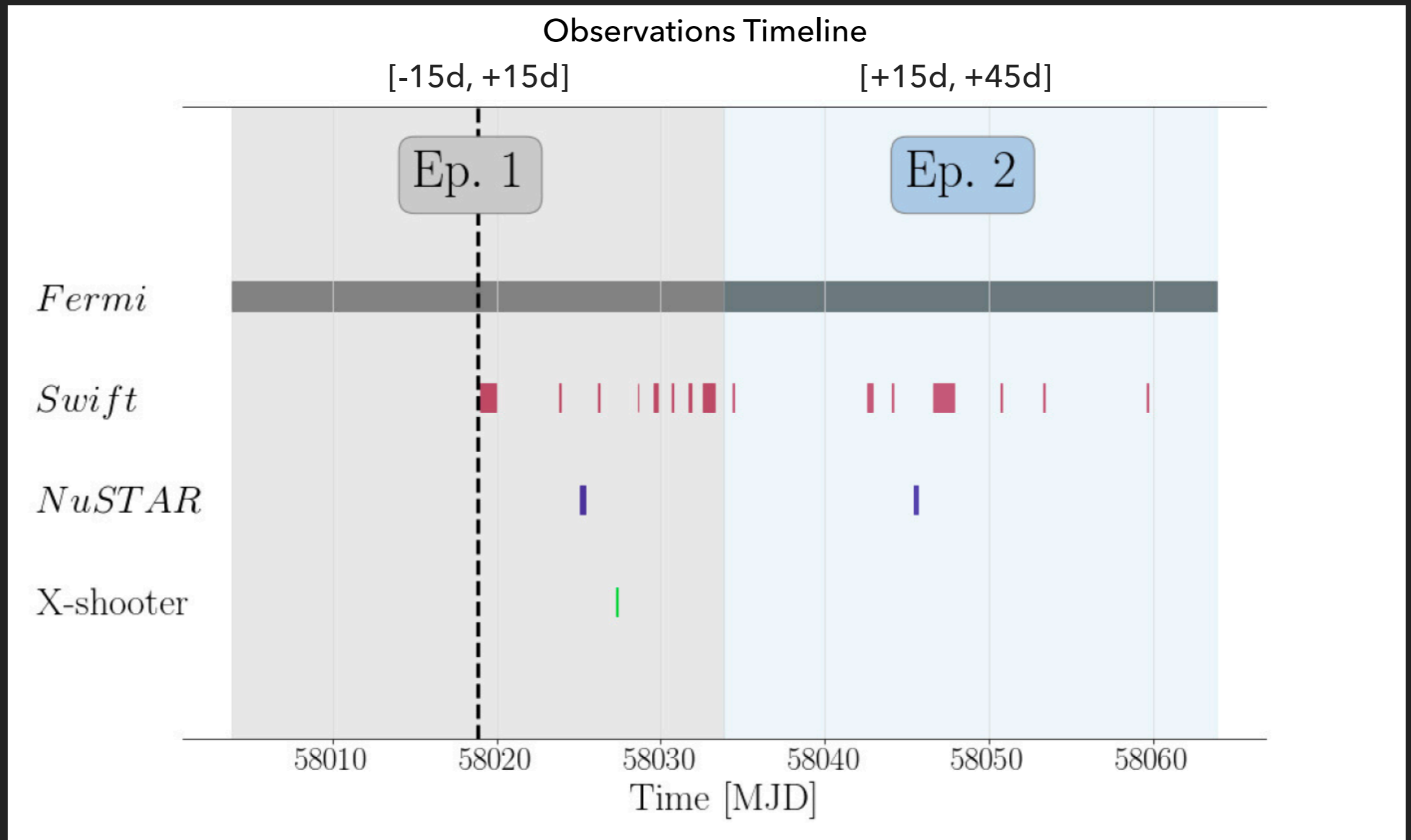


Our paper:

A Multimessenger Picture of the Flaring Blazar TXS 0506+056: Implications for High-Energy Neutrino Emission and Cosmic-Ray Acceleration

AK, Murase, Petropoulou, Fox, Cenko, Chaty, Coleiro, DeLaunay, Dimitrakoudis, Evans, Kennea, Marshall, Mastichiadis, Osborne, Santander, Tohuvavohu, Turley

ApJ 864:84 (16pp), 2018

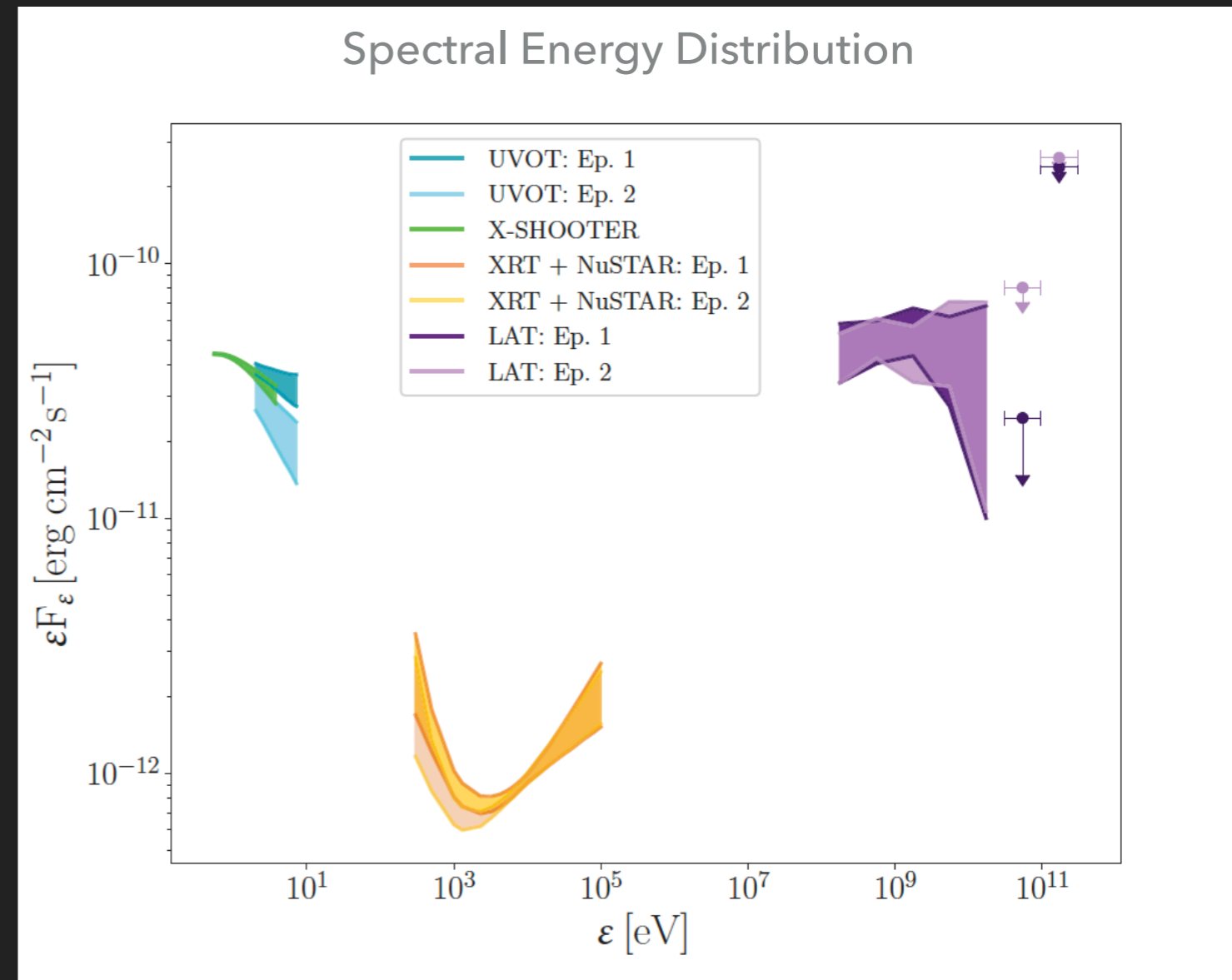


Fermi LAT (γ -ray), *NuSTAR* (Hard X-ray), *Swift* (Soft X-ray, UV, Optical), X-shooter (Optical)

Spectral Energy Distribution of TXS 0506+056

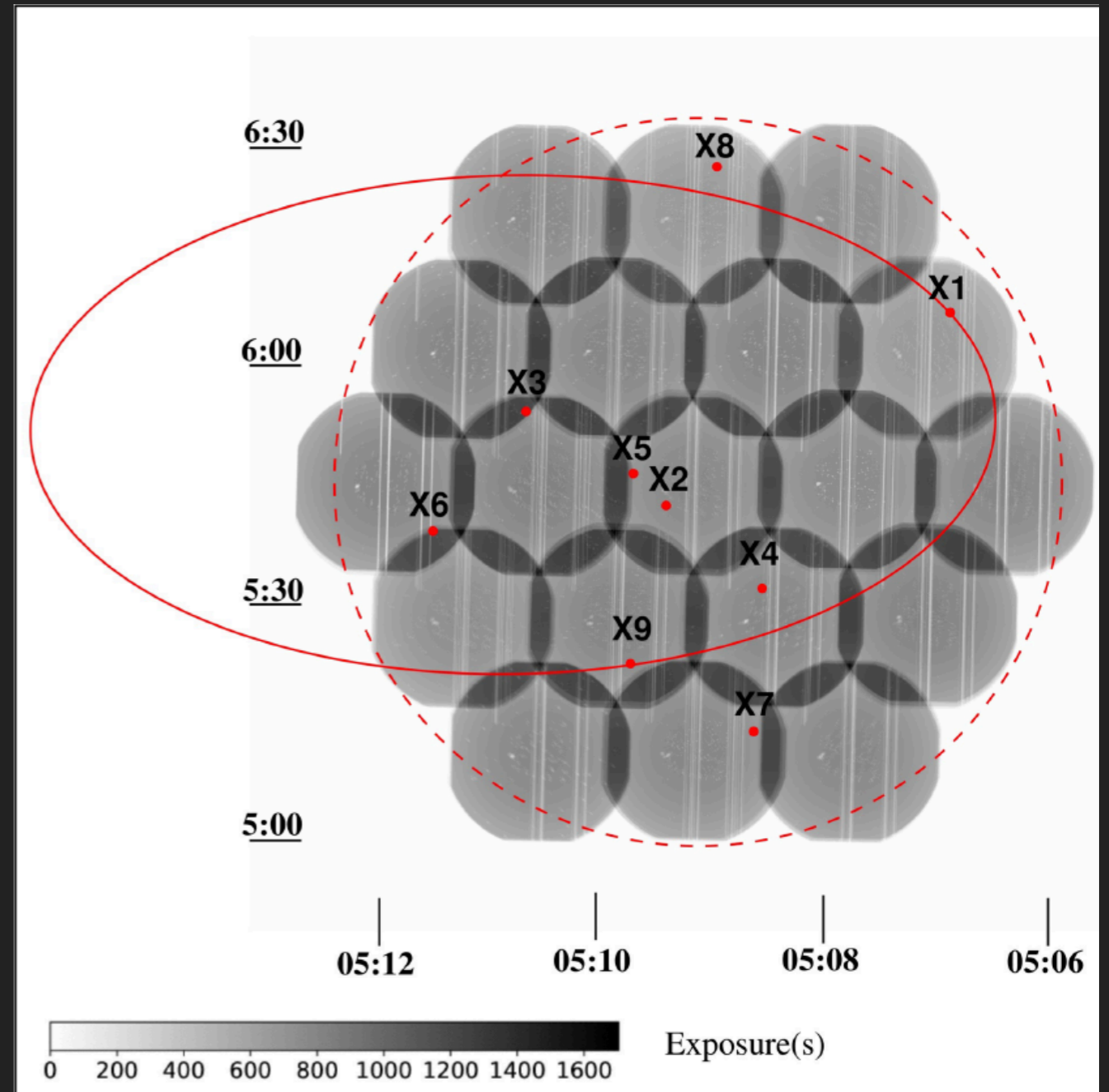
Observational data used for modeling:

- ★ X-shooter (Optical)
- ★ *Swift* UVOT (Optical and UV)
- ★ *Swift* XRT (Soft X-ray)
- ★ *NuSTAR* (Hard X-ray)
- ★ *Fermi* (γ -ray)

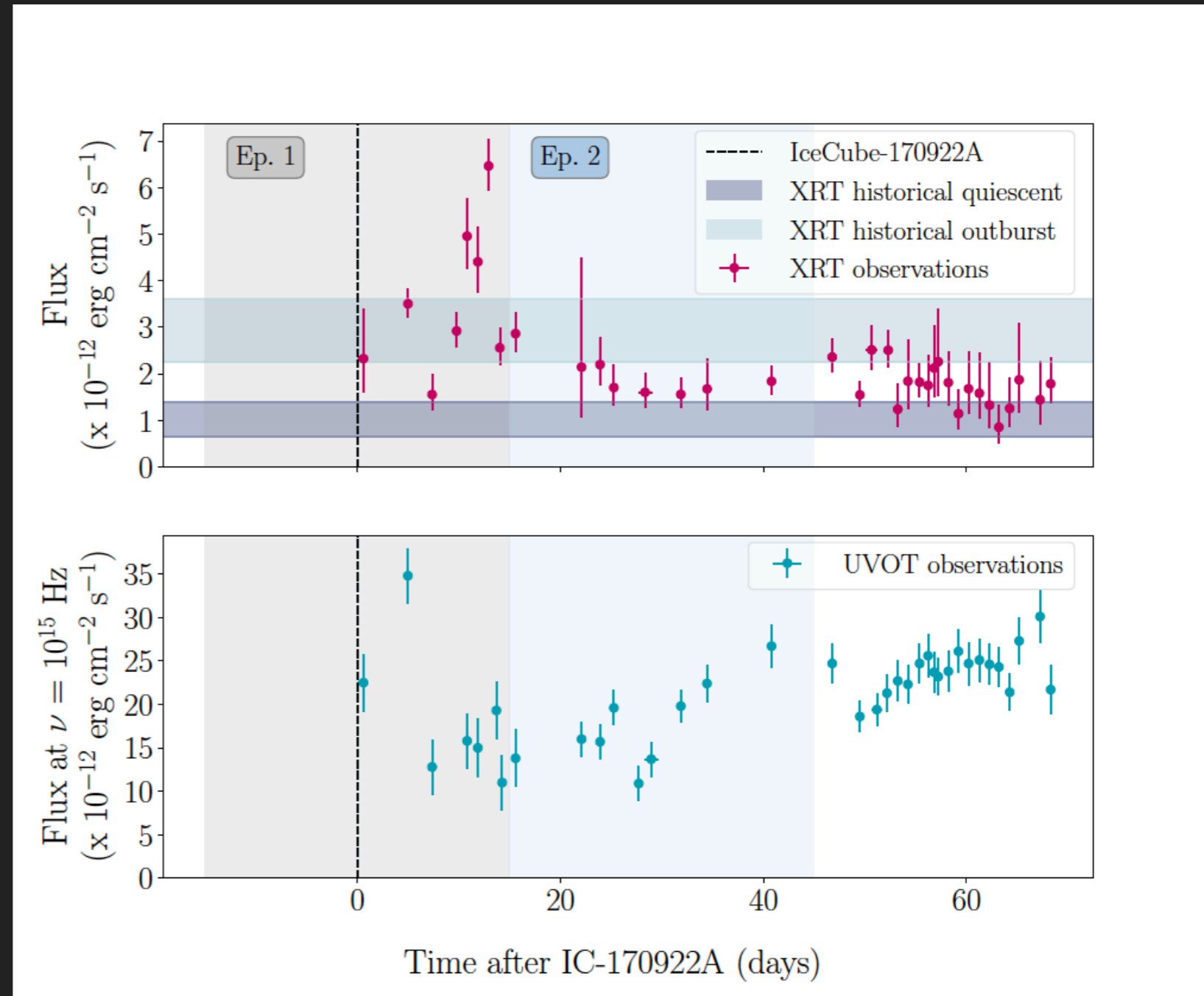


10 orders of magnitude in photon energy (1 eV to >10 GeV)

- ★ IceCube-170922A triggered Swift in automated fashion via AMON
- ★ Rapid-response mosaic-type follow-up observations
- ★ 19-point tiling: 3.25 hr after the neutrino detection
- ★ Spanned 22.5 hr
- ★ 9 X-ray sources
- ★ X2: TXS 0506+056 (4.6' away)
- ★ Energy range: 0.3-10 keV
- ★ Following the Fermi report of TXS 0506+056 in a GeV-flaring state:
 - ★ Swift monitoring campaign started



- ★ Following the *Fermi* report on the GeV-flaring state of the blazar, *Swift* started a monitoring campaign
- ★ 36 more epochs until the end of Nov 2017 (~54 ks)
- ★ Observation in the 0.3-10 keV
- ★ $N_H = 1.11 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
- ★ Horizontal bands:
 - XRT historical data
- ★ Two epochs:
 - [-15d, +15d] and [+15d, +45d]

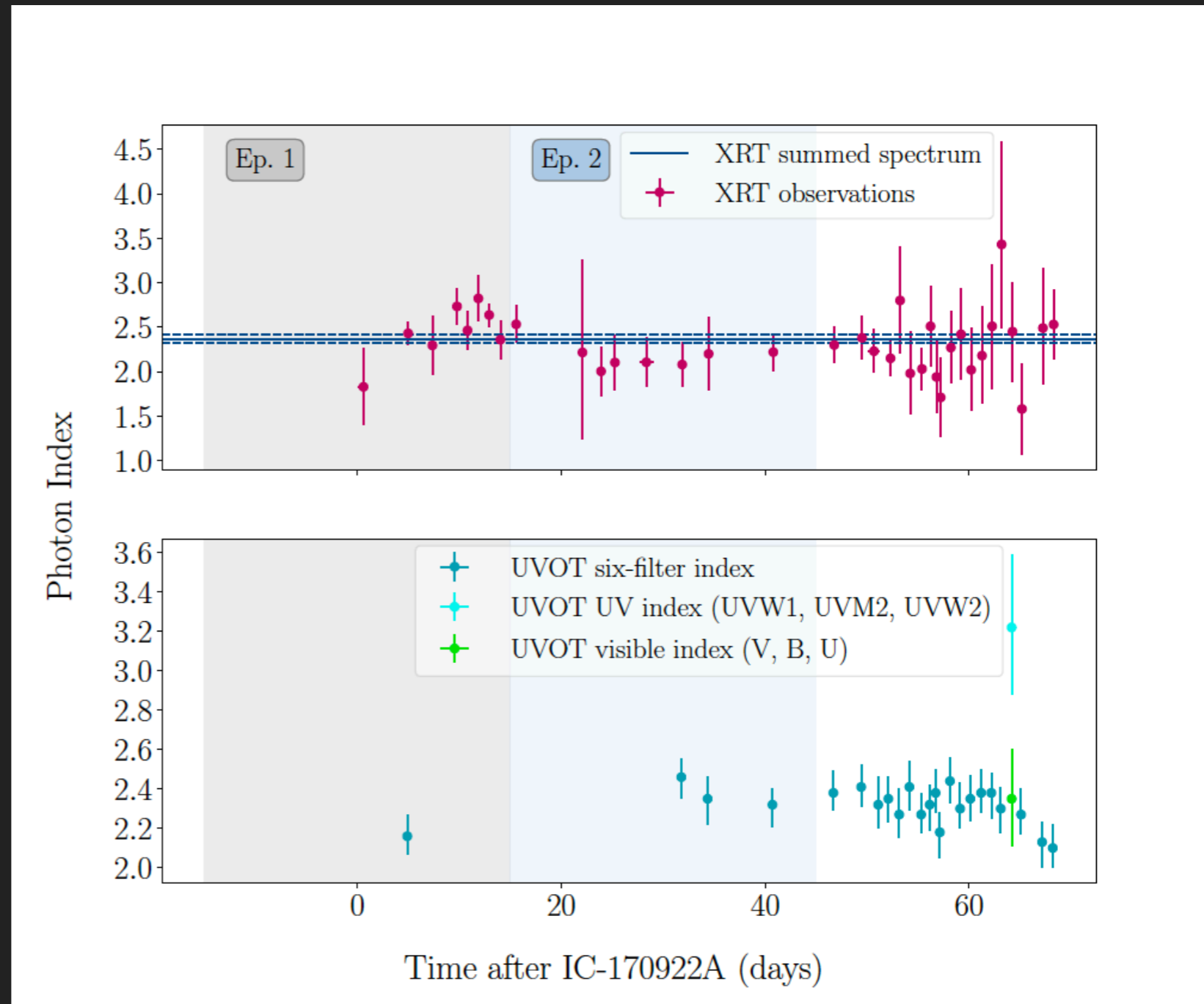


AK, P.A.Evans, et al., GCN Circular 21930 (2017)

P.A.Evans, AK, et al., ATel 10792 (2017)

AK, Murase, Petropoulou, Fox, et al. ApJ 864 (2018)

- ★ Solid horizontal: photon index of the stacked X-ray spectrum over the 2 epochs
- ★ Dashed lines: uncertainties
- ★ $\alpha_{\text{XRT}} = 2.37 \pm 0.05$
- ★ UVOT photon index obtained from a power-law fit to the energy flux spectrum

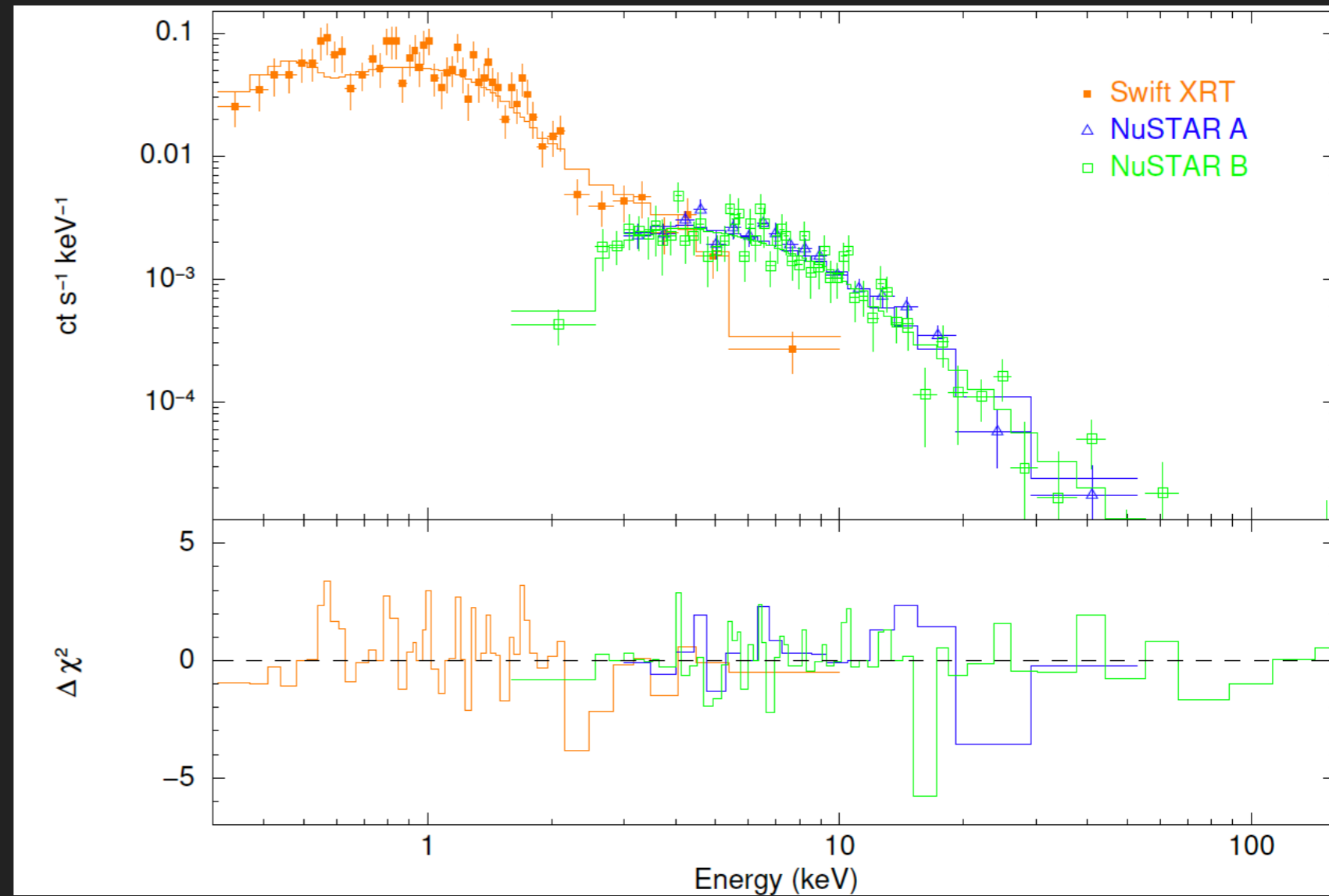


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- ★ Requested *NuSTAR* observations to complete X-ray band
- ★ Two observations: Sept 29 and Oct 19
- ★ Energy: 3.0-100 keV
- ★ Overall exposure ~44 ks
- ★ Simultaneously fit XRT and *NuSTAR*
- ★ Best fit photon indices:
 $\alpha_{\text{XRT}} = 2.37 \pm 0.05$
 $\alpha_{\text{NuSTAR}} = 1.69 \pm 0.12$



D.B. Fox, et al., ATel 10845 (2017)

IceCube Collaboration, et al., Science 361, eaat1378 (2018)

Fermi LAT photons:

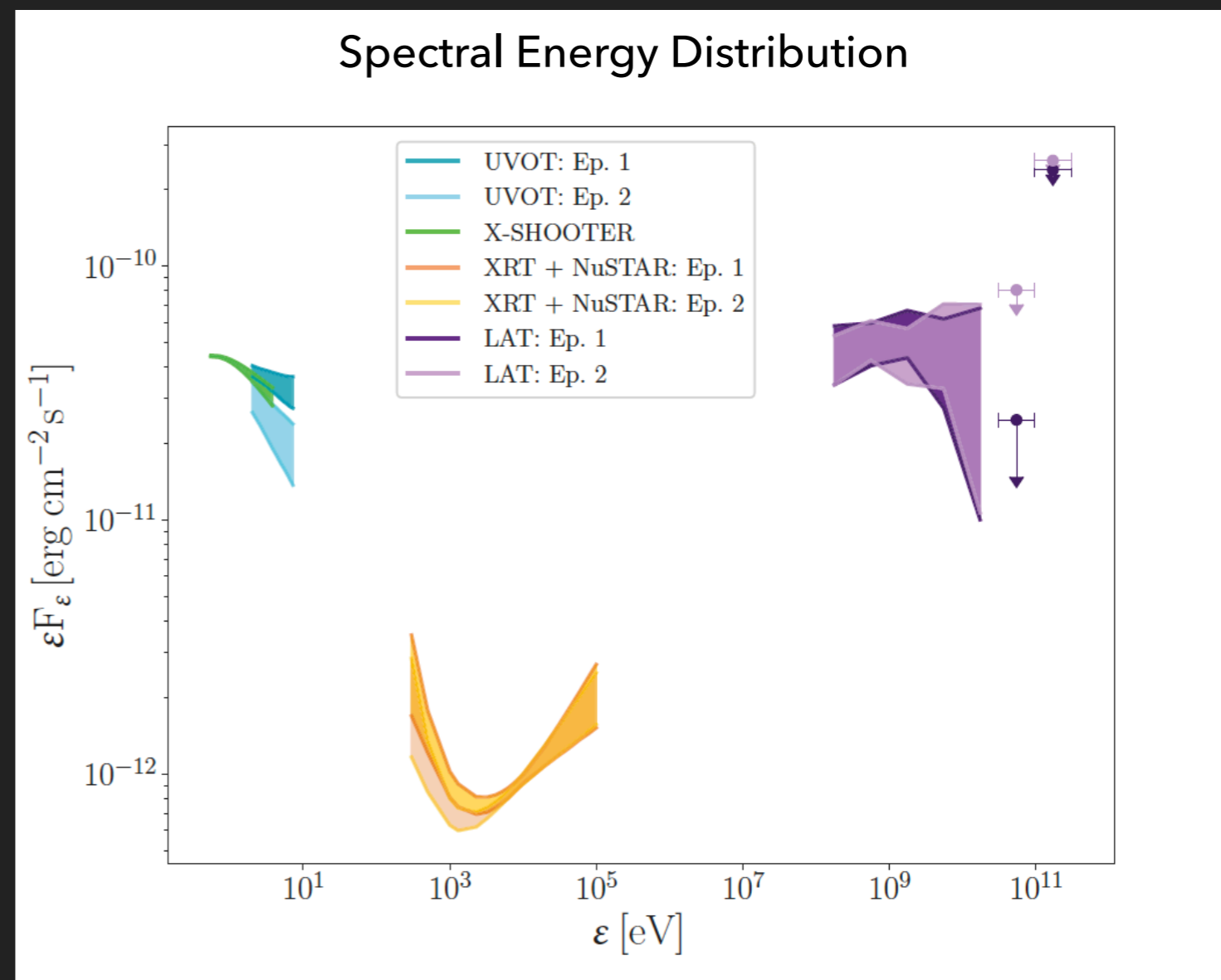
- ★ $100 \text{ MeV} < E < 300 \text{ GeV}$
- ★ 15° from TXS 0506+056
- ★ Zenith $< 90^\circ$

Sources in 3FGL:

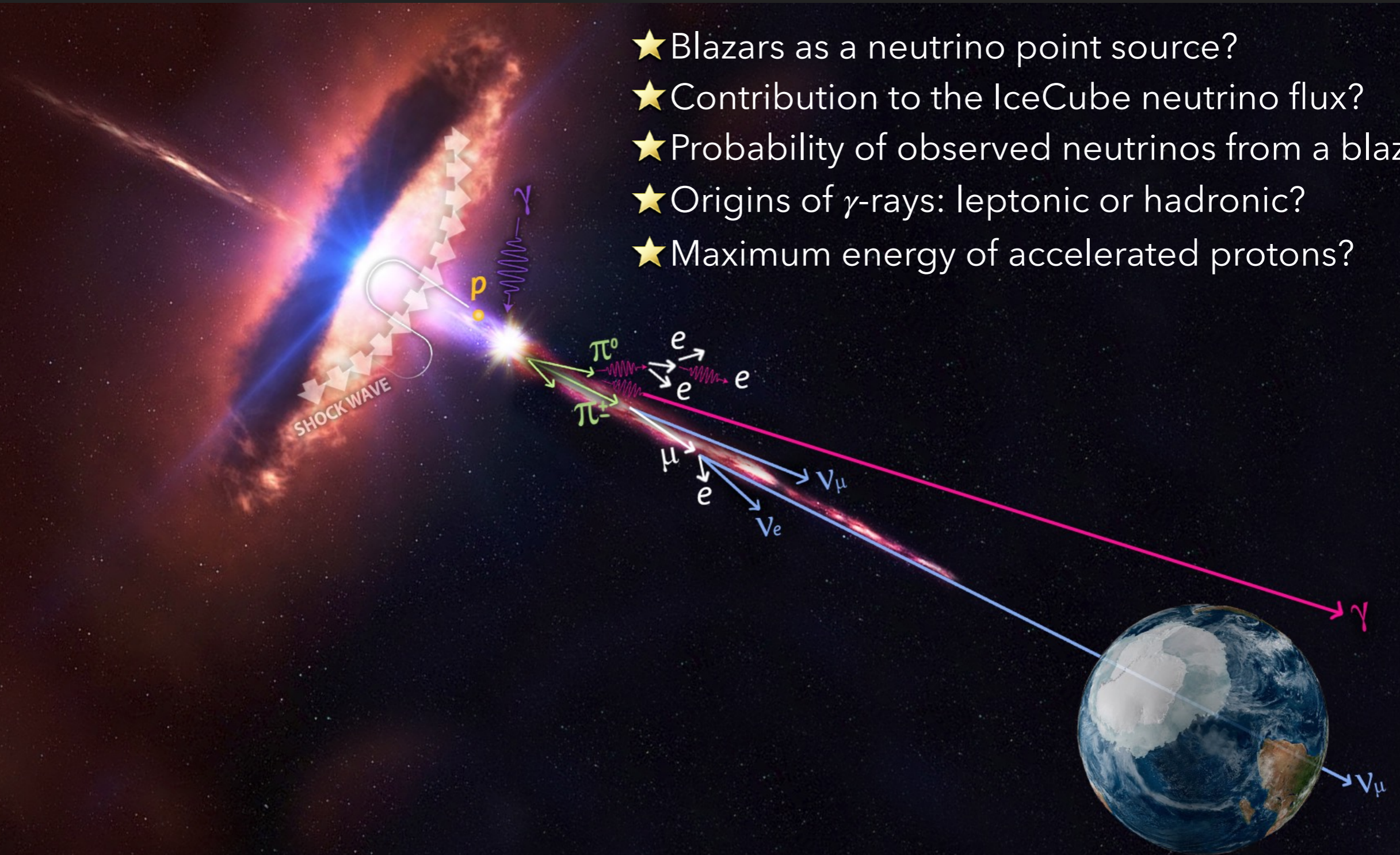
- ★ 15° from TXS 0506+056
- ★ Spectral parameters fixed to their catalog values, unless within 3°

Spectral fit was performed with a binned likelihood method

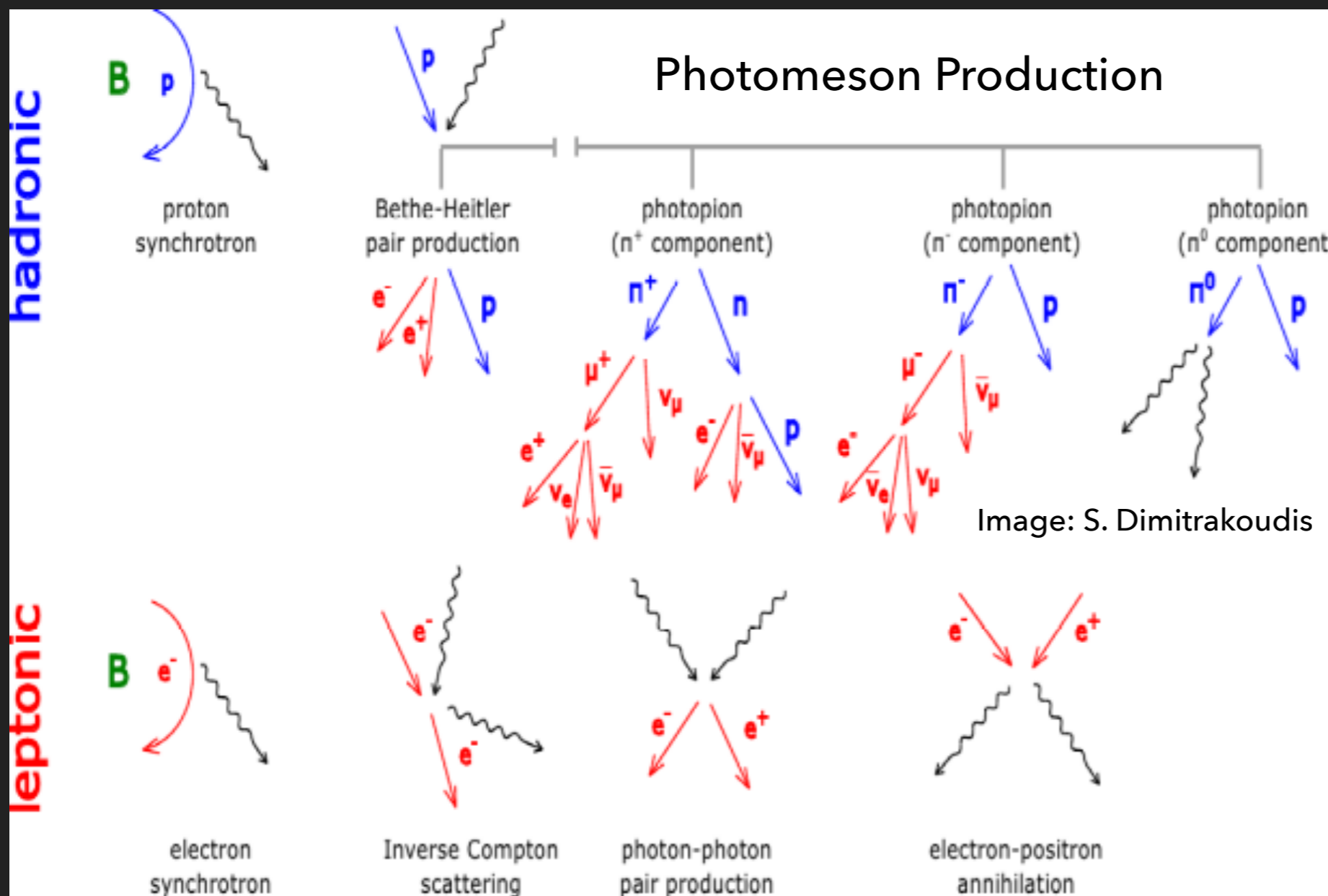
- ★ $\alpha_{\text{LAT}} = 2.05 \pm 0.05$



- ★ Blazars as a neutrino point source?
- ★ Contribution to the IceCube neutrino flux?
- ★ Probability of observed neutrinos from a blazar?
- ★ Origins of γ -rays: leptonic or hadronic?
- ★ Maximum energy of accelerated protons?



Leptonic and (Lepto)hadronic Scenarios



PeV-EeV ν 's via photomeson production process

Target photons:

- ★ Intra-jet
- ★ External radiation fields

Leptonic:

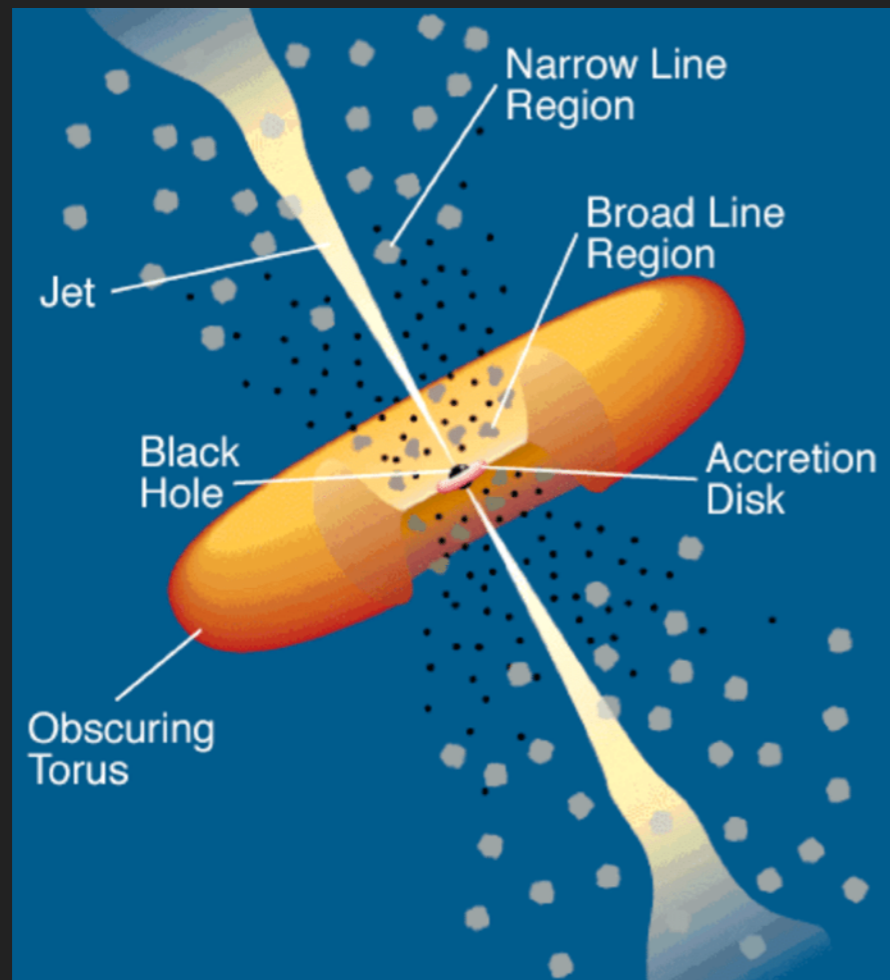
- ★ Synchrotron self-Compton
- ★ External inverse-Compton

Leptonic Models:

- ★ Synchrotron emission
- ★ Inverse Compton scattering
- ★ Pair production
- ★ Pair annihilation

Leptohadronic Models:

- ★ Synchrotron emission
- ★ Inverse Compton scattering
- ★ Pair production
- ★ Pair annihilation
- ★ Photomeson production
- ★ Photopair production



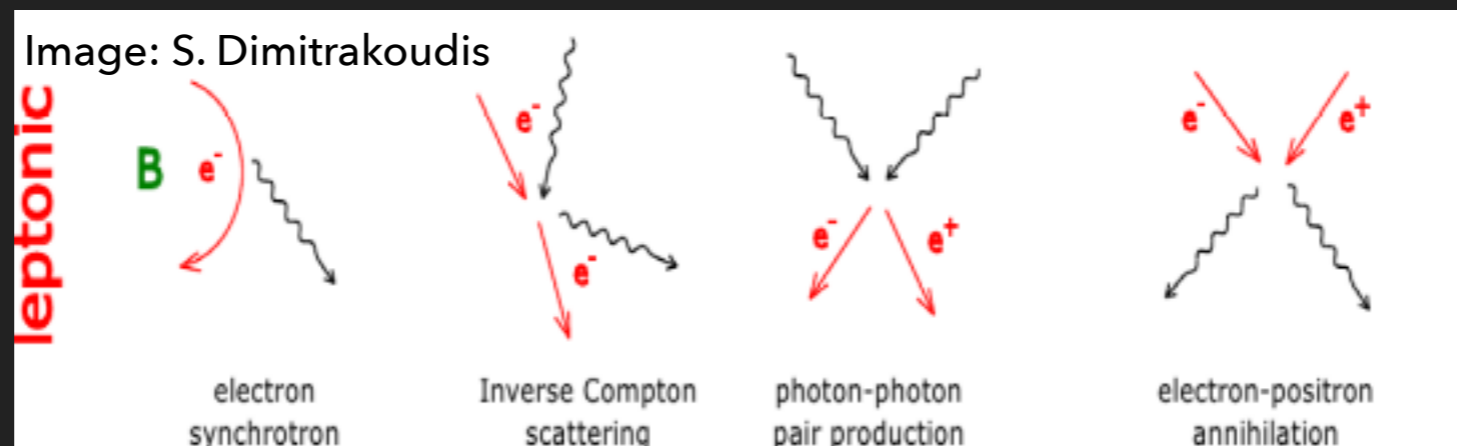
Electromagnetic cascades redistribute energy from high energies (e.g. PeV) to lower energies (e.g. keV-MeV):

Cascade effects

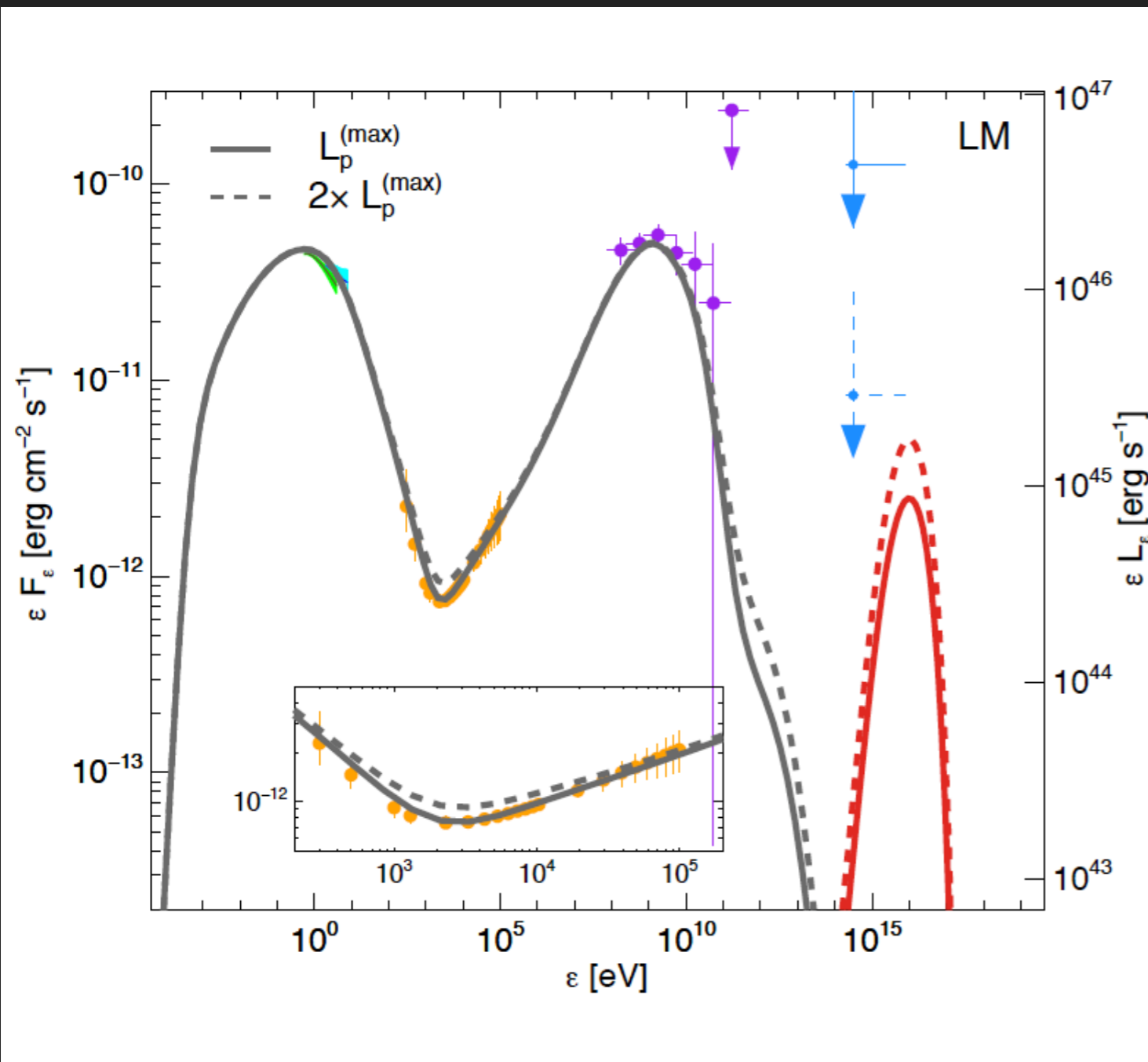
$$L_\nu \cong L_\gamma$$

Data do not always allow for solutions with $L_\nu \cong L_\gamma$

If $L_\nu \ll L_\gamma$: leptonic origin of γ -rays



- ★ *Swift*-UVOT + X-shooter show that $\nu_{pk} < 3 \times 10^{14}$ Hz (ISP)
- ★ External inverse-Compton explains γ -rays
- ★ Hadronic cascade should not exceed X-ray data
- ★ Upper limits on proton and therefore ν flux

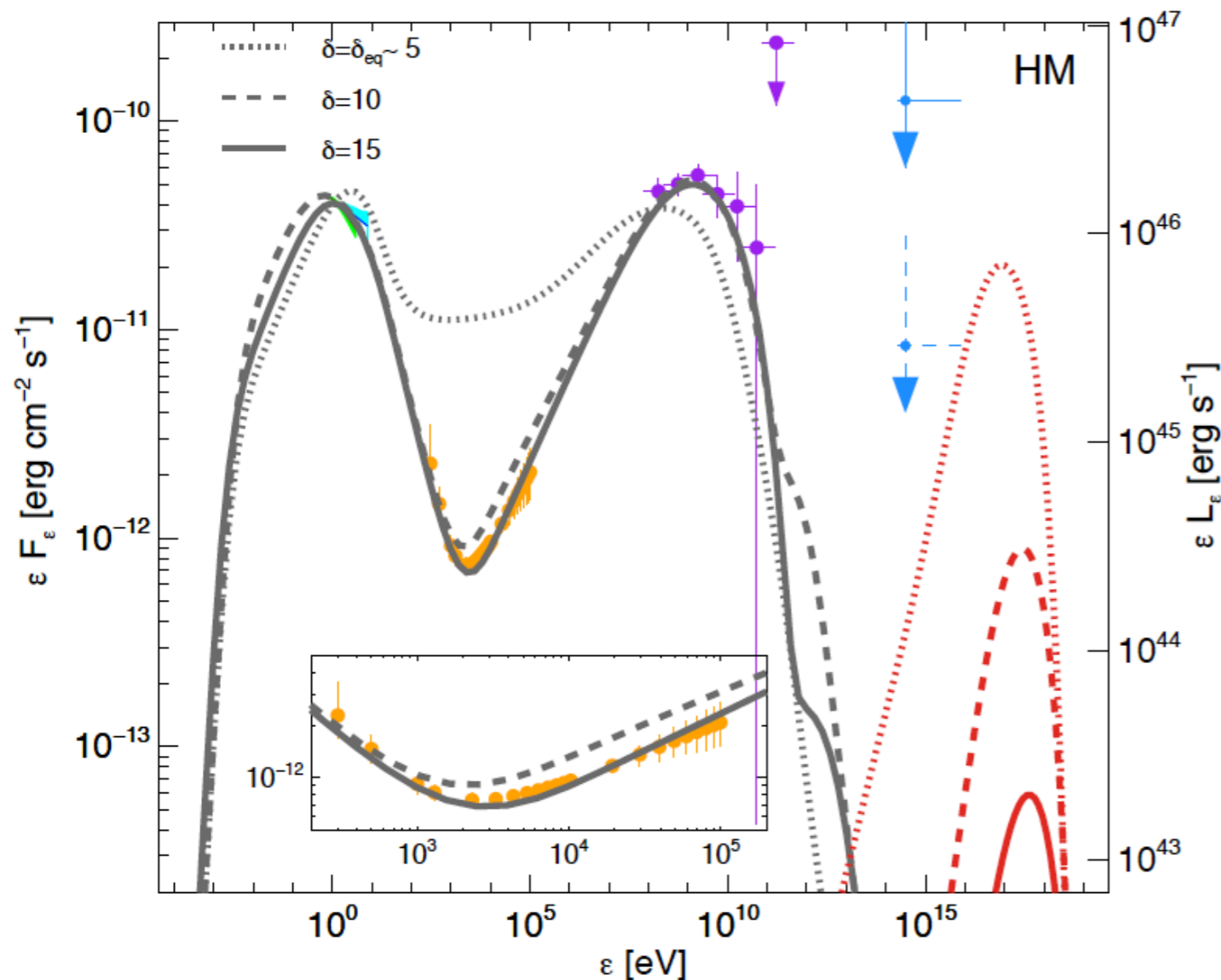


Single-zone picture:
 Leptonic scenario with a radiatively-
 subdominant hadronic component!

- ★ $F_\nu < 2 \times 10^{-12}$ erg cm⁻² s⁻¹
- ★ $L_p/L_e > 300$
- ★ $E_{p, \max} < 0.3$ EeV

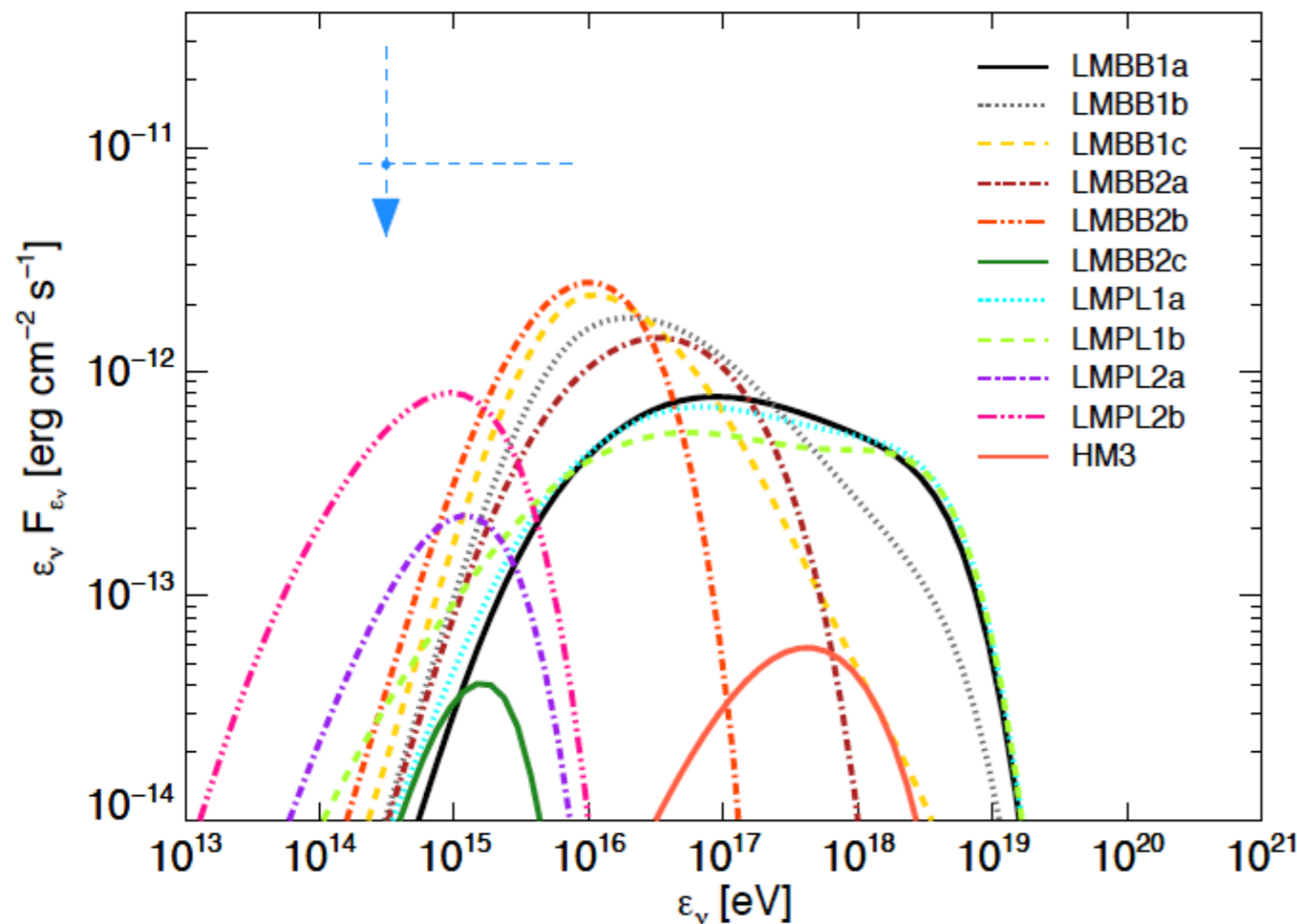
Leptohadronic model

- ★ Model with γ -rays from pion-induced cascade is ruled out ($L_\nu \sim L_\gamma$)
- ★ Model with γ -rays from proton synchrotron leads to EeV neutrinos with very low luminosities



IceCube-170922A can not be explained with the leptohadronic scenario

- ★ Upper limits on the all-flavor neutrino fluxes for our modeling of the SED:
 - ★ Several parameters
 - ★ Leptonic and Hadronic Models



~1-2% probability to see 1 neutrino event in half a year!

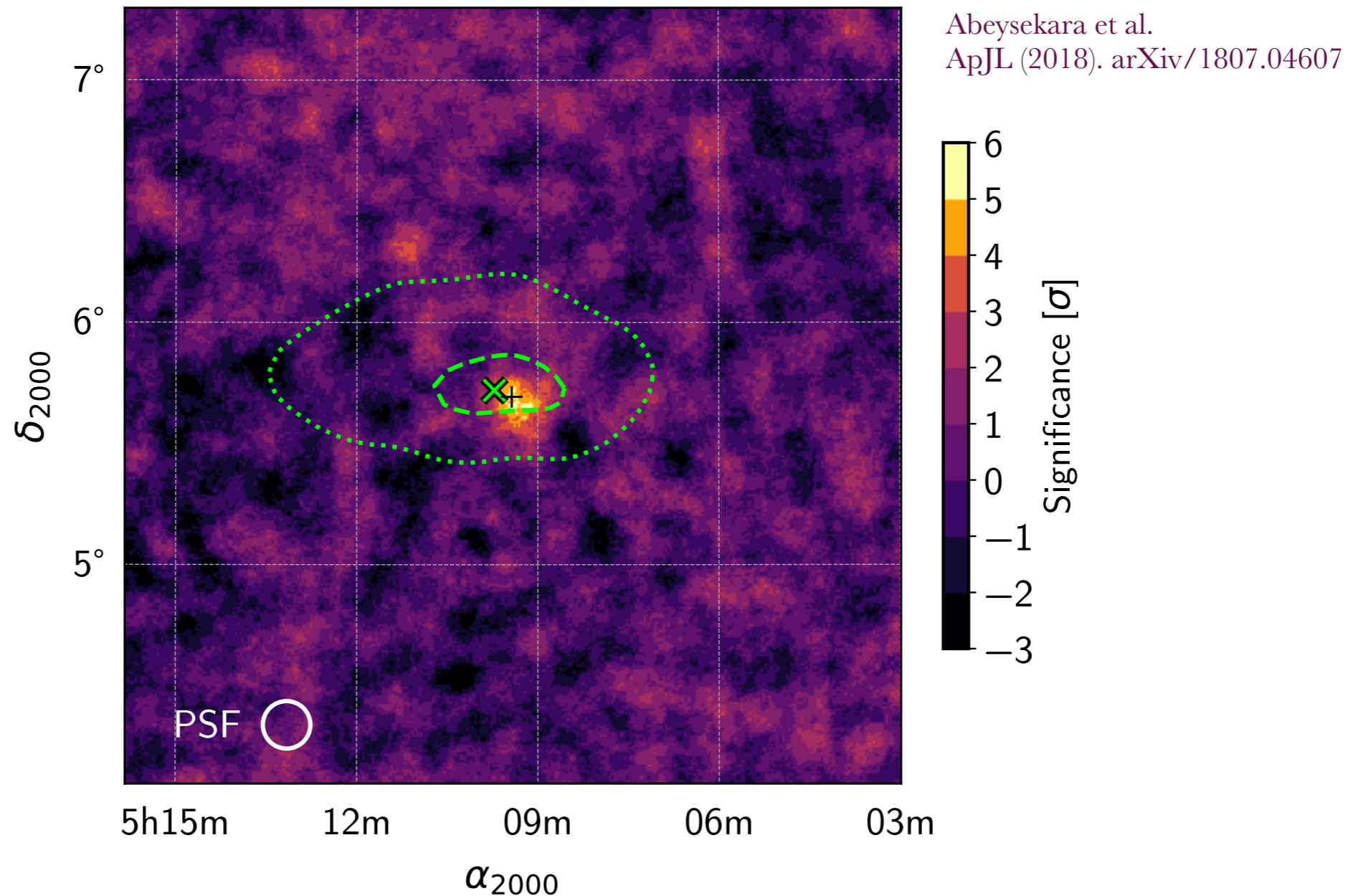
	$\int F_{\varepsilon_\nu}^{(\max)} d\varepsilon_\nu$ [erg cm ⁻² s ⁻¹]		\mathcal{N}_ν
	100 TeV–1 PeV	100 TeV–10 PeV	
LMBB 1a	1.6×10^{-14}	4.5×10^{-13}	1×10^{-3}
LMBB 1b	5.2×10^{-14}	1.7×10^{-12}	4×10^{-3}
LMBB 1c	9.1×10^{-14}	2.7×10^{-12}	6×10^{-3}
LMBB 2a	4.5×10^{-14}	1.1×10^{-12}	3×10^{-3}
LMBB 2b	1.8×10^{-13}	3.6×10^{-12}	8×10^{-3}
LMBB 2c	2.5×10^{-14}	7.3×10^{-14}	2×10^{-4}
LMPL 1a	3.1×10^{-14}	5.2×10^{-13}	1×10^{-3}
LMPL 1b	9×10^{-14}	6.3×10^{-13}	1×10^{-3}
LMPL 2a	2.5×10^{-13}	5.2×10^{-13}	5×10^{-3}
LMPL 2b	1.2×10^{-12}	2×10^{-12}	1×10^{-2}
HM3	1.6×10^{-16}	2×10^{-15}	4×10^{-6}

- ★ *Fermi* LAT has so far observed and monitored many blazars!
- ★ This has been extremely helpful in studies related to high-energy neutrino and ultra-high energy cosmic ray sources
- ★ Monitoring the γ -ray sky is crucial for revealing the sources of neutrinos and cosmic rays and for understanding the nature of these phenomena
- ★ *Fermi* γ -ray data also play a crucial role in other multi-messenger searches including:
 - ★ Archival joint searches (e.g. Turley et al. 2018)
 - ★ Future joint gravitational waves and high-energy neutrinos (e.g. ApJ 850, L35, 2017)

Presenting a short review on VERITAS VHE γ -ray SED
on behalf of

Reshmi Mukherjee, Marcos Santander, and Brian Humensky

VERITAS observations of TXS 0506+056

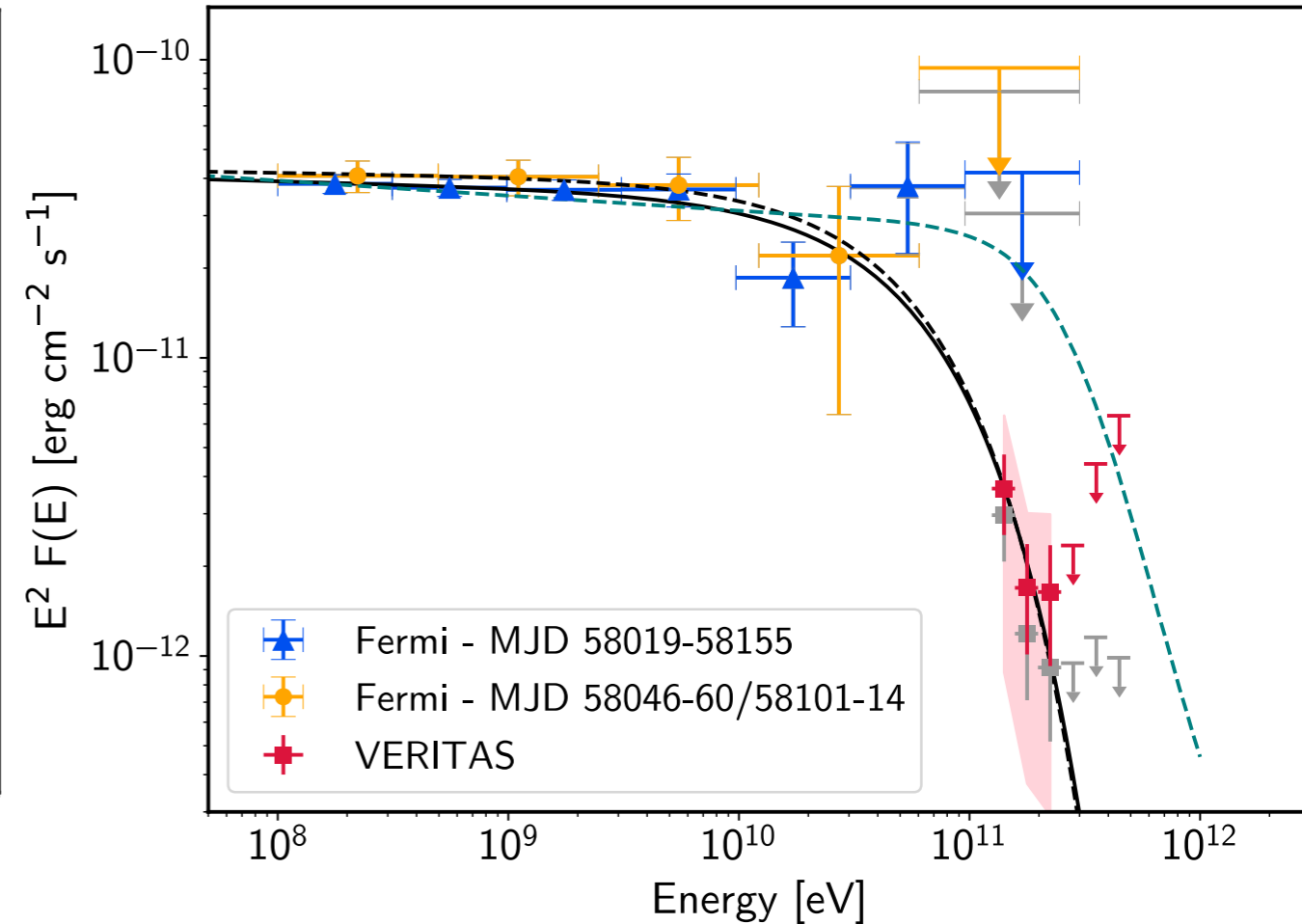
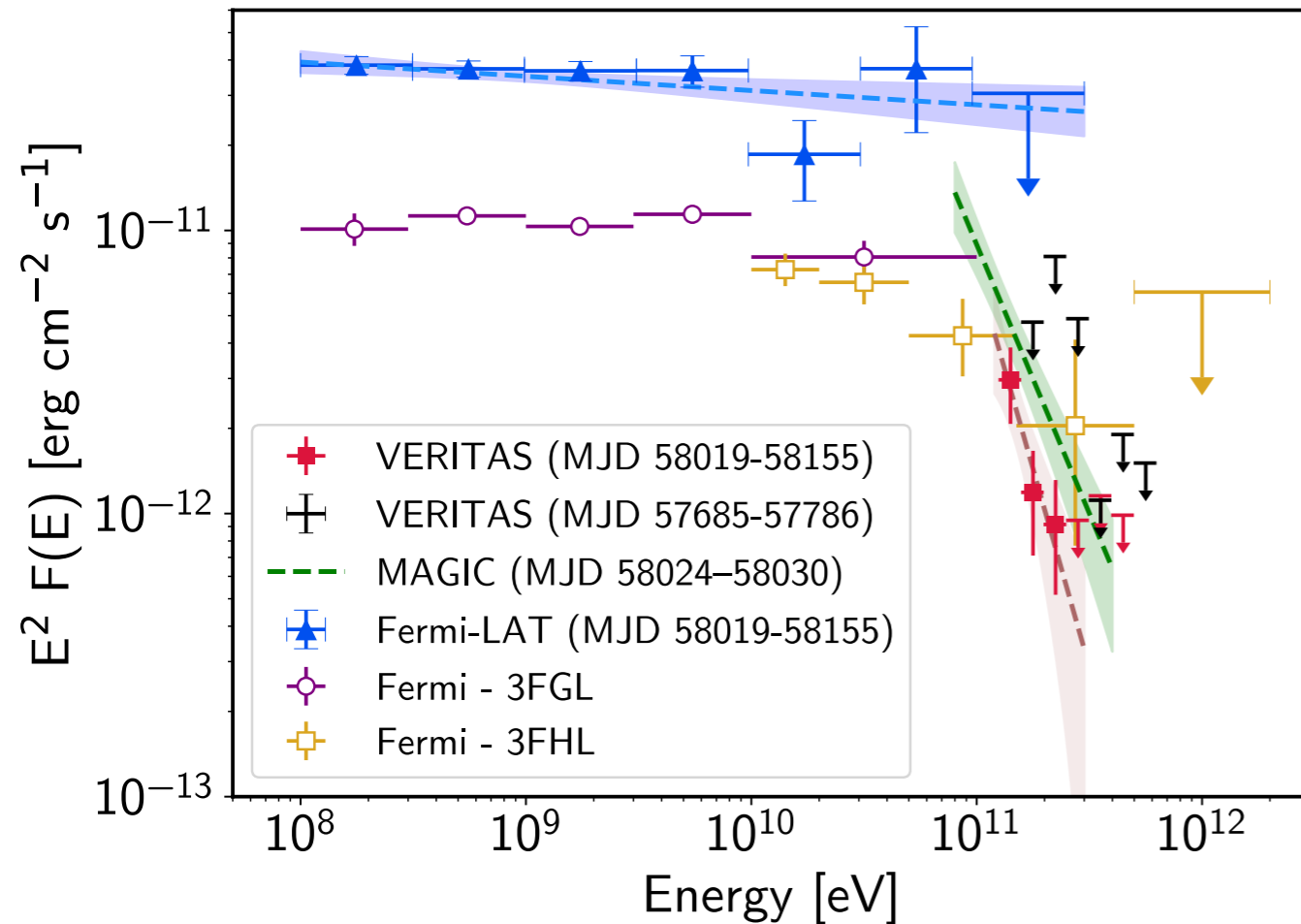


- Observations taken between Sept 2017 and Feb 2018. **35 hrs of quality** selected data.
- **5.8 σ** at source location. Flux of 1.6% of the Crab nebula above 110 GeV.
- Photon excess centroid is consistent with the radio location of TXS 0506+056.

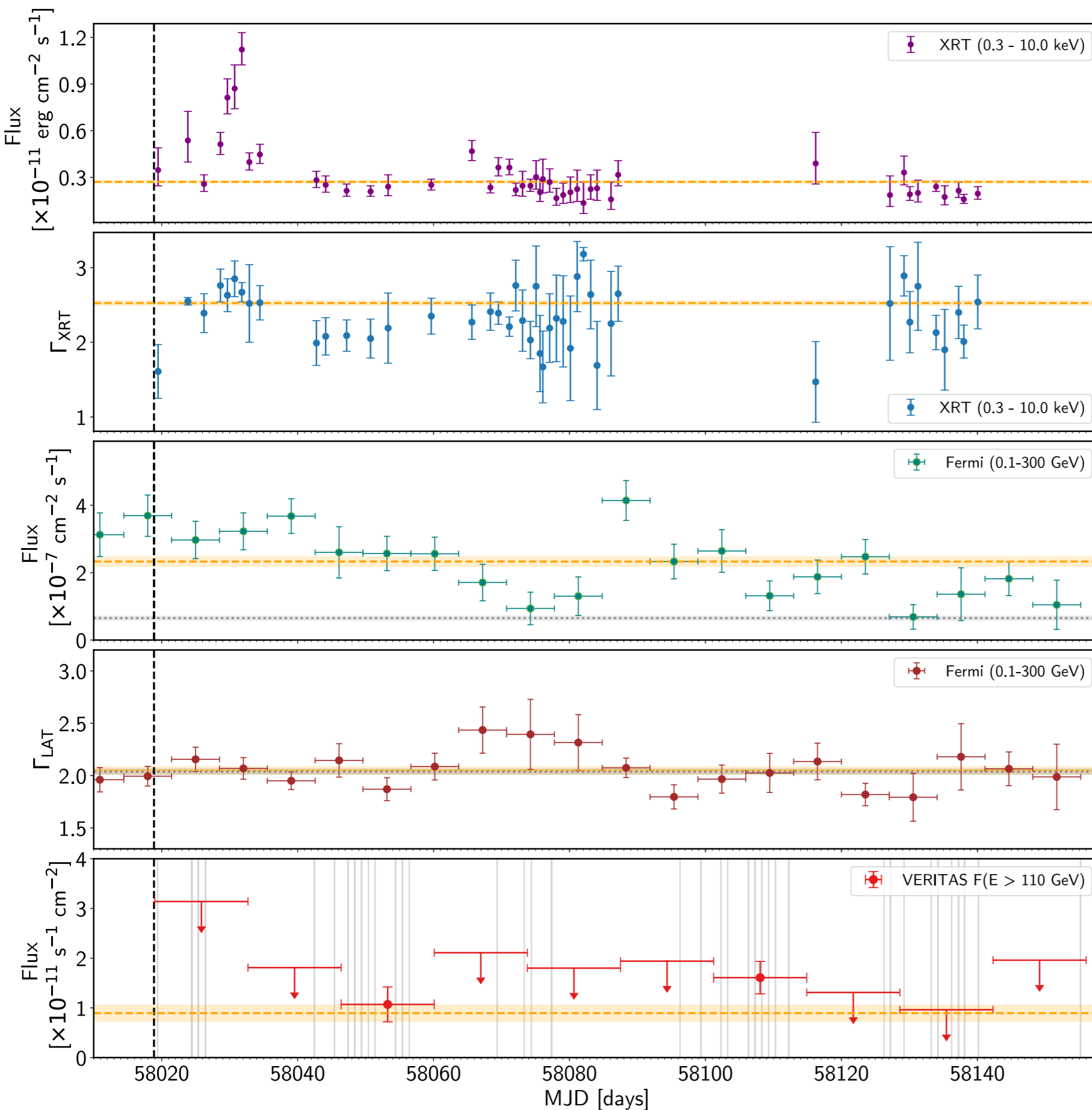
Gamma-ray SED of TXS 0506+056

ApJL (2018). arXiv/1807.04607

VERITAS



- Best power-law fit in the 110-300 GeV yields $\Gamma = 4.8 \pm 1.3$.
- Spectrum softening not consistent with EBL absorption alone of VHE gamma-ray flux.
- Flux level compatible with archival Fermi observations of the source.
- Break in the particle population? Self-absorption? Multiple zones with leptonic+hadronic emission?



Multiwavelength light curve of TXS 0506+056 (09/17 - 02/18)

- Flux variability in X-rays and GeV gamma rays. No clear correlation across energy bands.
- VERITAS VHE flux consistent with a steady flux (sensitivity limited)

- ★ Multi-wavelength data during the flare is crucial to constrain emission models.
- ★ SED modeling of blazars shows that data do not always allow for $L_\nu \cong L_\gamma$ and this is almost always ruled out.
- ★ A leptonic model (with a radiatively subdominant hadronic component) can explain a high-energy neutrino from TXS 0506+056 with 1-2% probability of detecting it in realtime.
- ★ Alternative models (e.g. multi-zone) might be needed to explain IceCube-170922A and TXS 0506+056.
- ★ Regular X-ray and γ -ray monitoring of blazars is required.
- ★ *Fermi* plays a significant role in multi-messenger studies, including the blazer observations.

Thank you!