

The First Catalog of Fermi-LAT sources below 100 MeV

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1. Introduction about Fermi-LAT and motivation of 1FLE

1. MC analysis

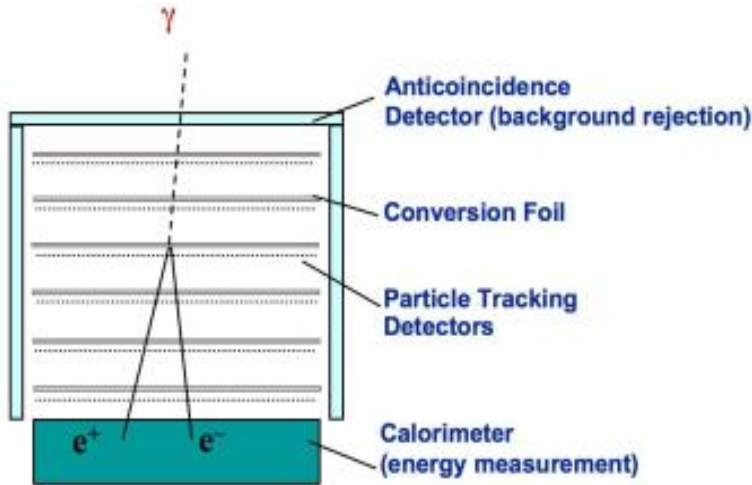
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Fermi-LAT Instrument

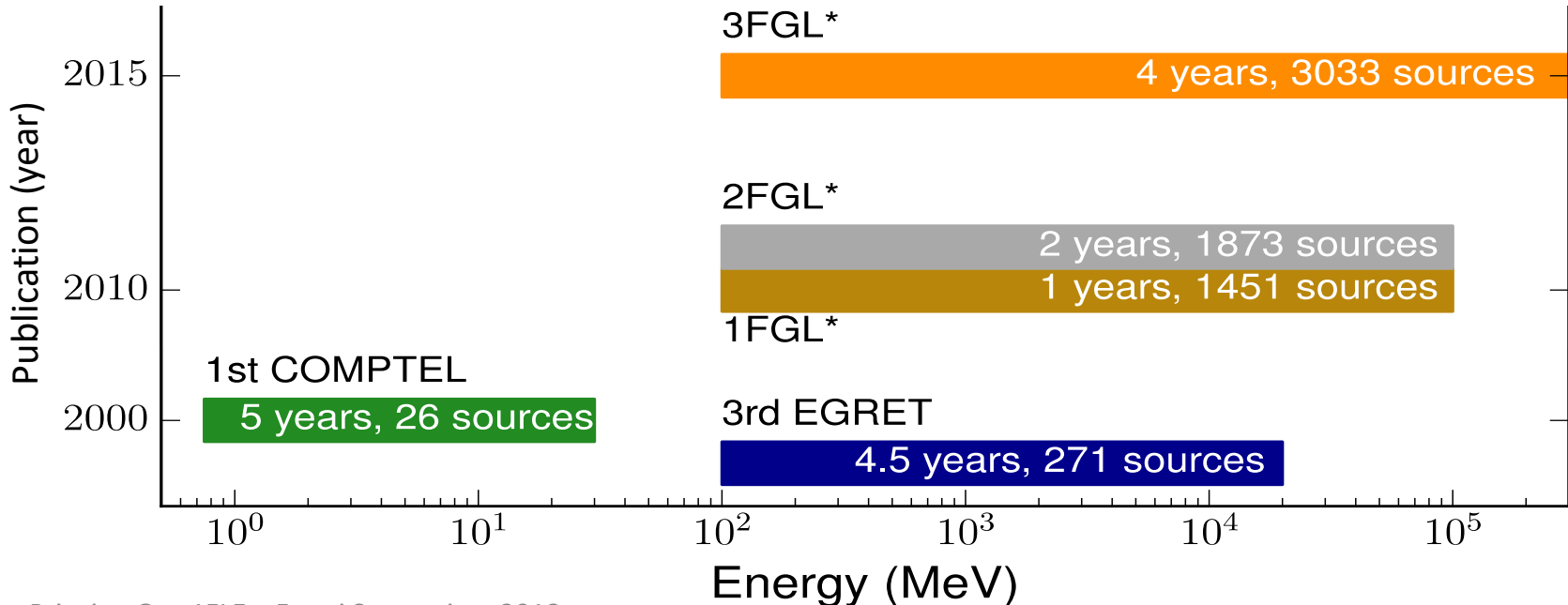


Fermi-LAT

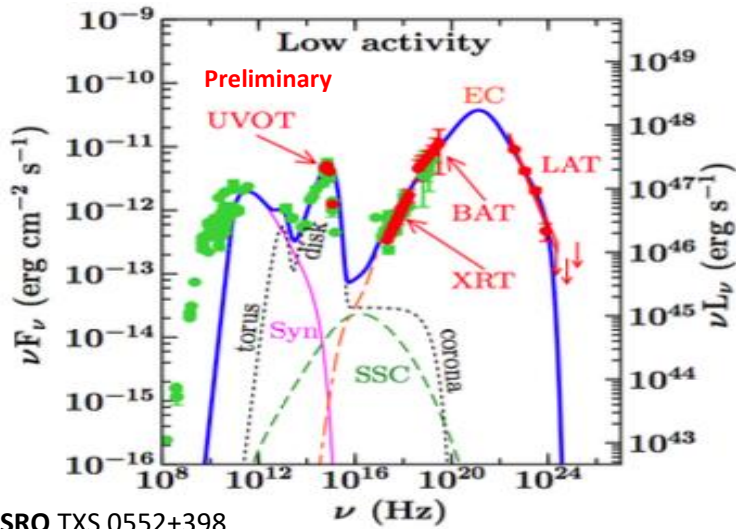
- Launch date: June 11, 2008
- Energy range: 20 MeV – 300 GeV
- General catalogs(*): 1FGL, 2FGL, 3FGL

W. B. Atwood et al., *Astrophys. Journ.* 697 (2009), p. 1071.

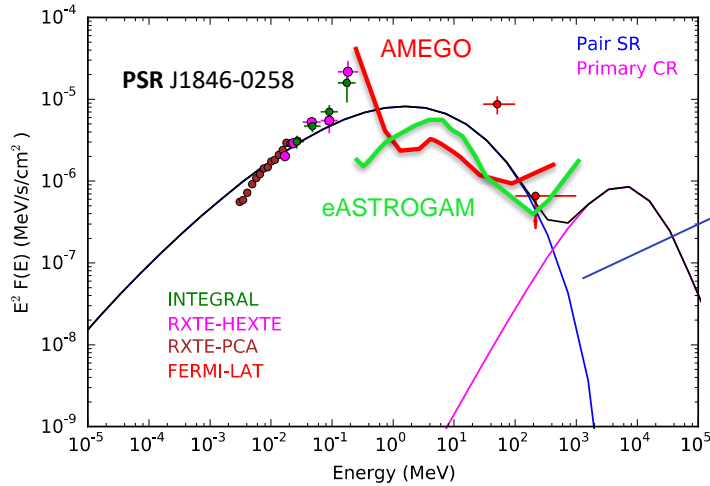
No catalogs between 30 and 100 MeV!



Missing MeV Sources?

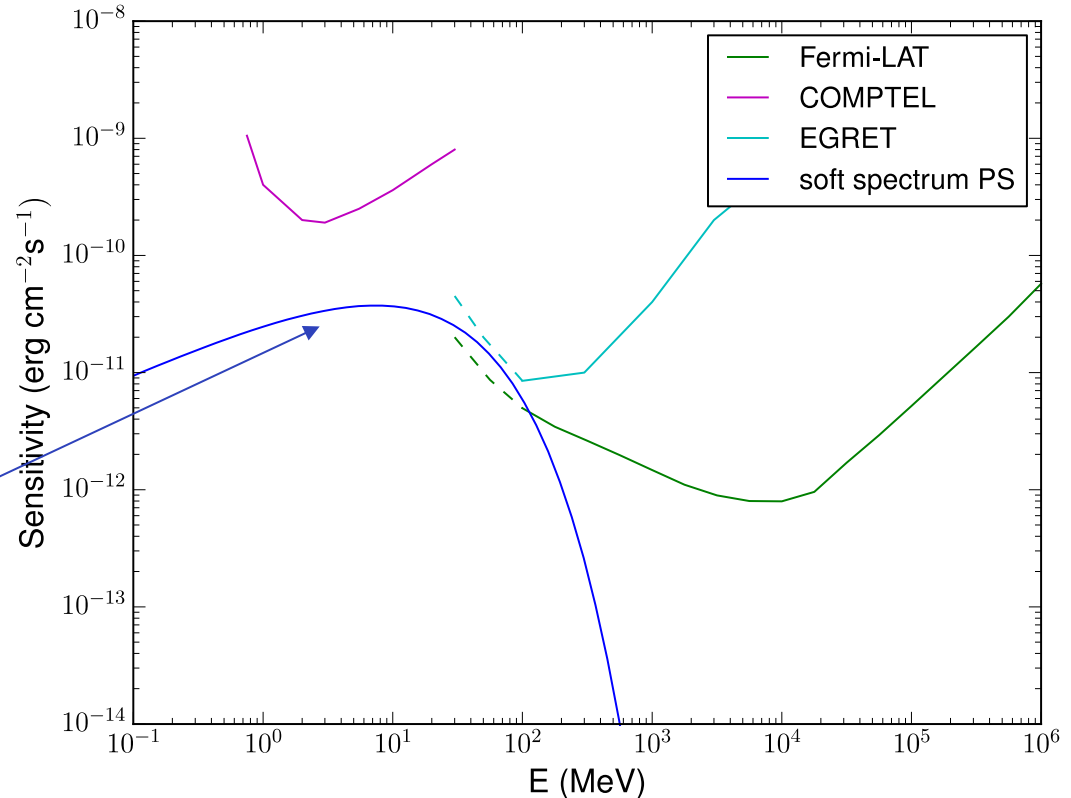


FSRQ TXS 0552+398
Vaidehi *et. al.* in prep.



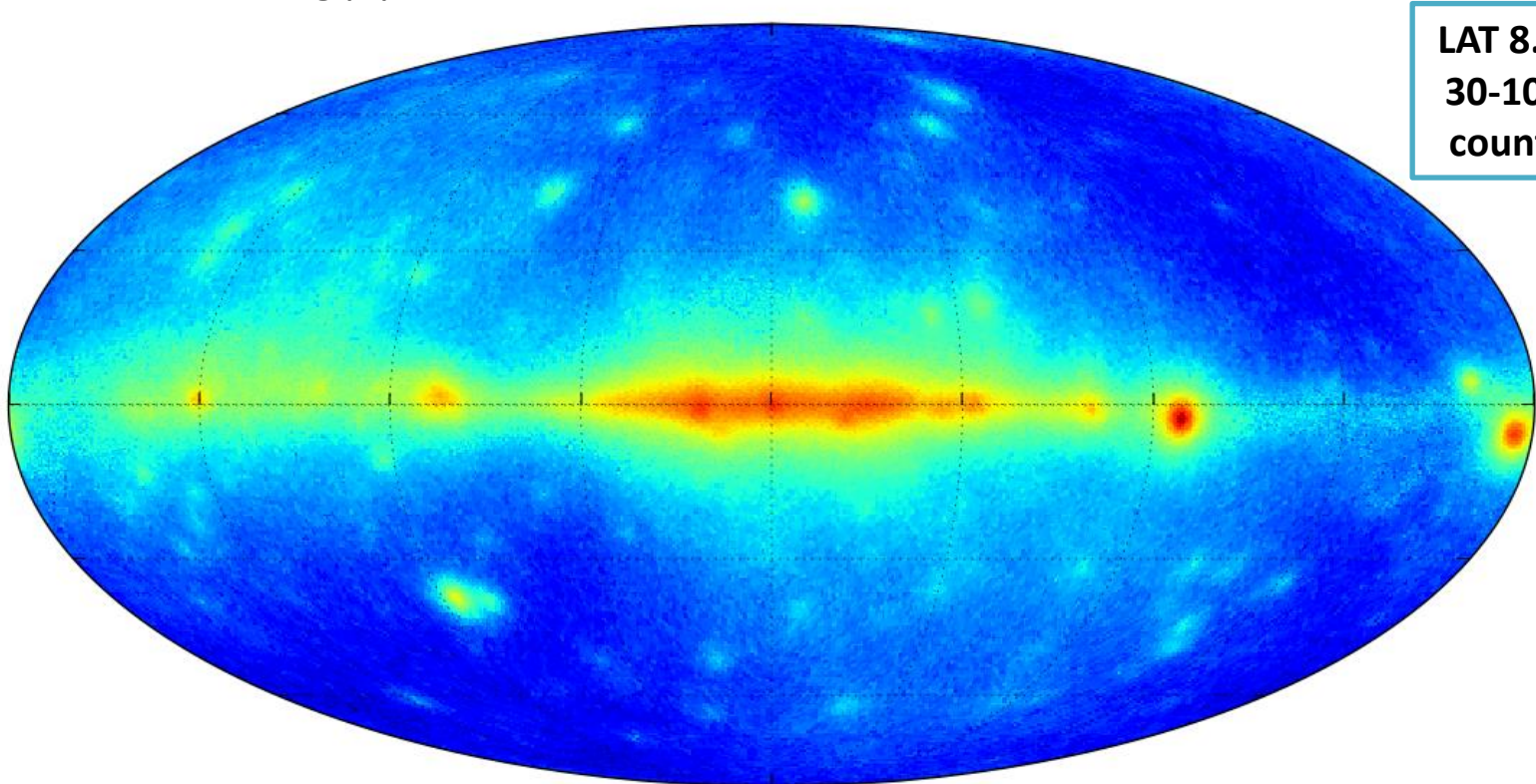
Harding *et. al.* (2017)

There exists a population of very energetic sources having hard X-ray emission but no detected emission by Fermi LAT.

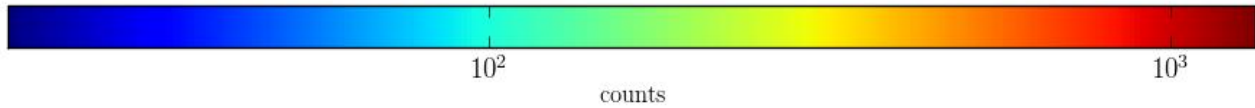


Fermi Low Energy Catalog

We are interested in studying the Fermi-LAT data between **30 and 100 MeV** since they were not covered in the previous Fermi-LAT Catalogs. To detect the sources and estimate their flux we want to use PGWave, a **background-independent method** already used in the Fermi-LAT catalog pipeline to find candidate sources.

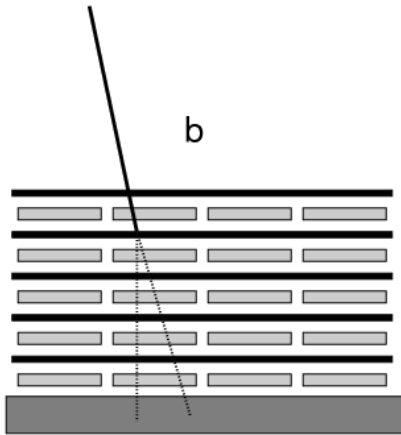


LAT 8.7 years
30-100 MeV
counts map

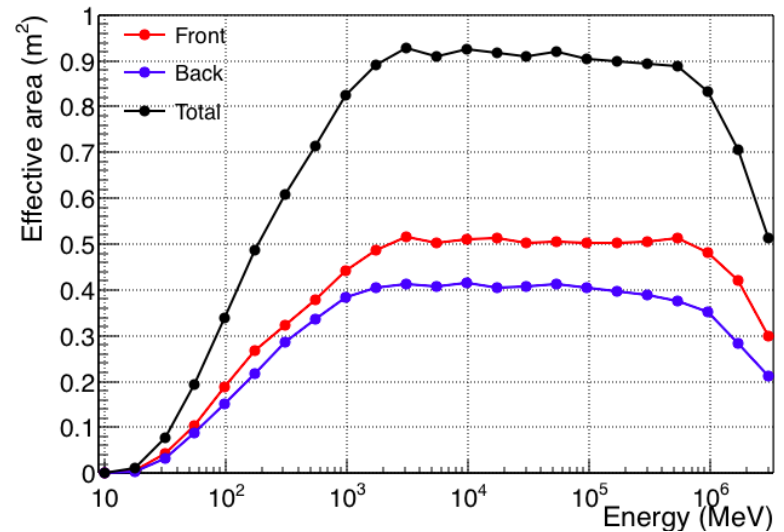
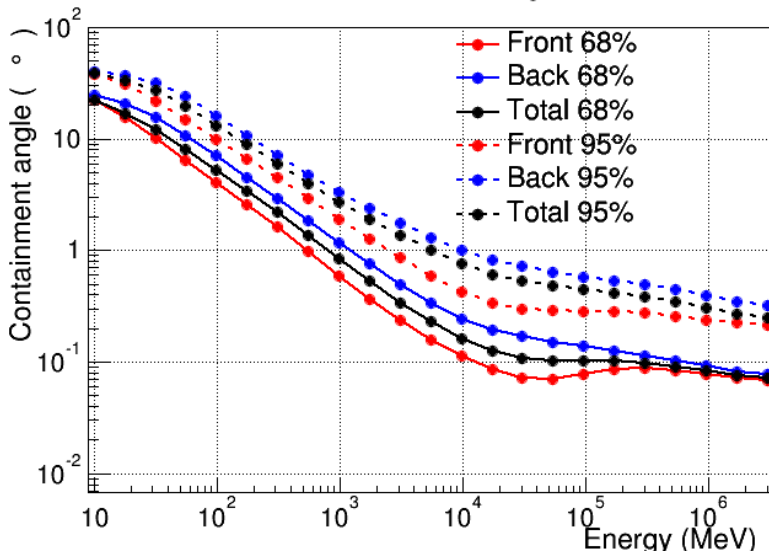
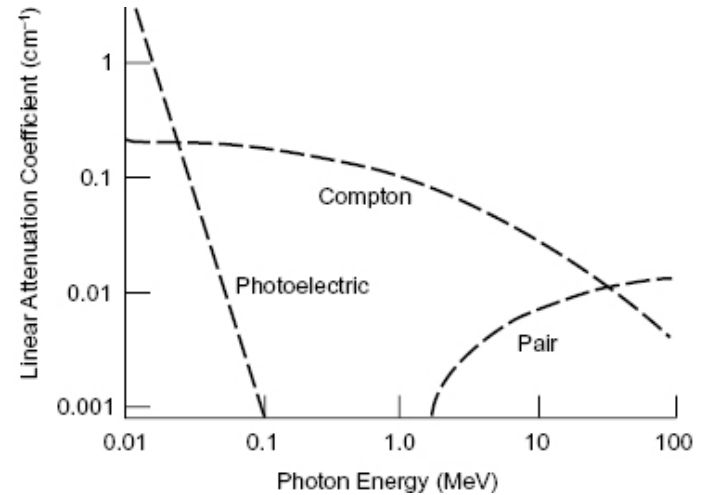


Why are there no Catalogs in the 30-100 MeV band?

1) Angular resolution gets worse



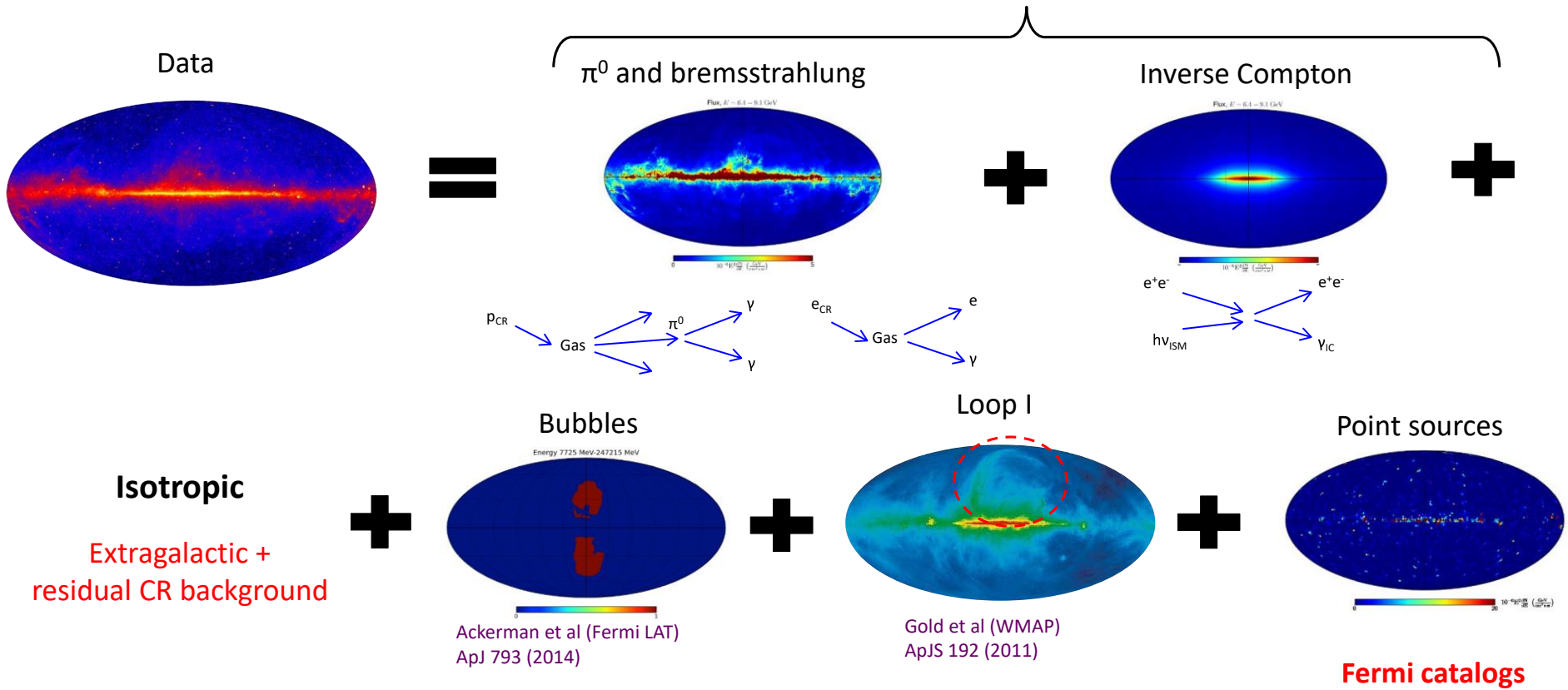
2) Effective area gets smaller



Gamma Sky Components

3) Difficulty in creating an accurate model for the diffuse emission

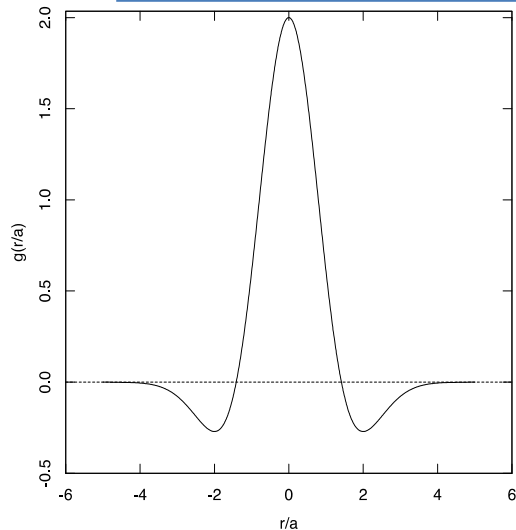
Galactic diffuse emission



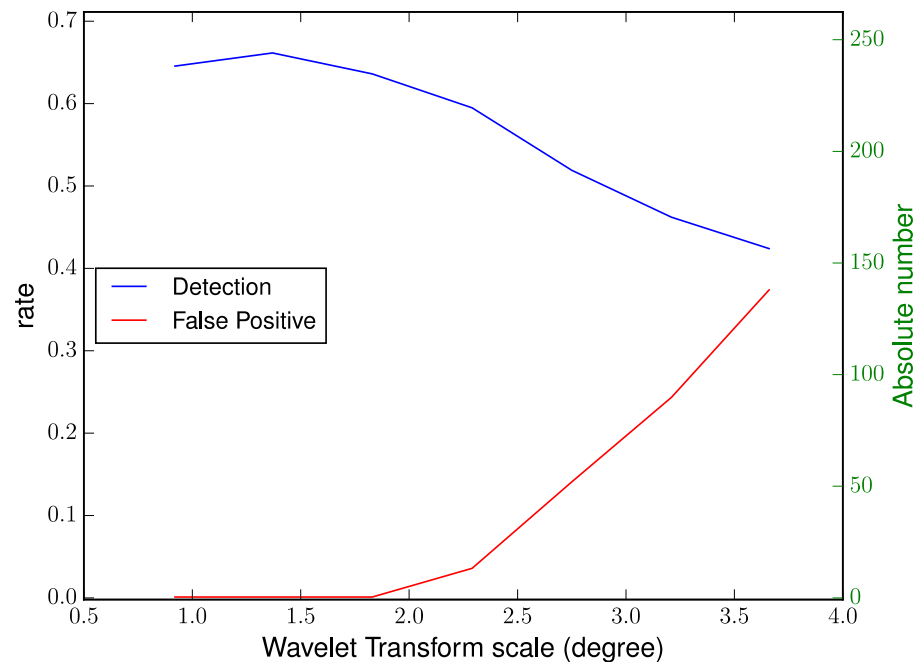
These reasons make the 30-100 MeV band one of the most complicated energy range!



PGWave Parameter optimization



PGWave uses the 2-dim “Mexican Hat” wavelet. (Damiani *et.al.* 1997)

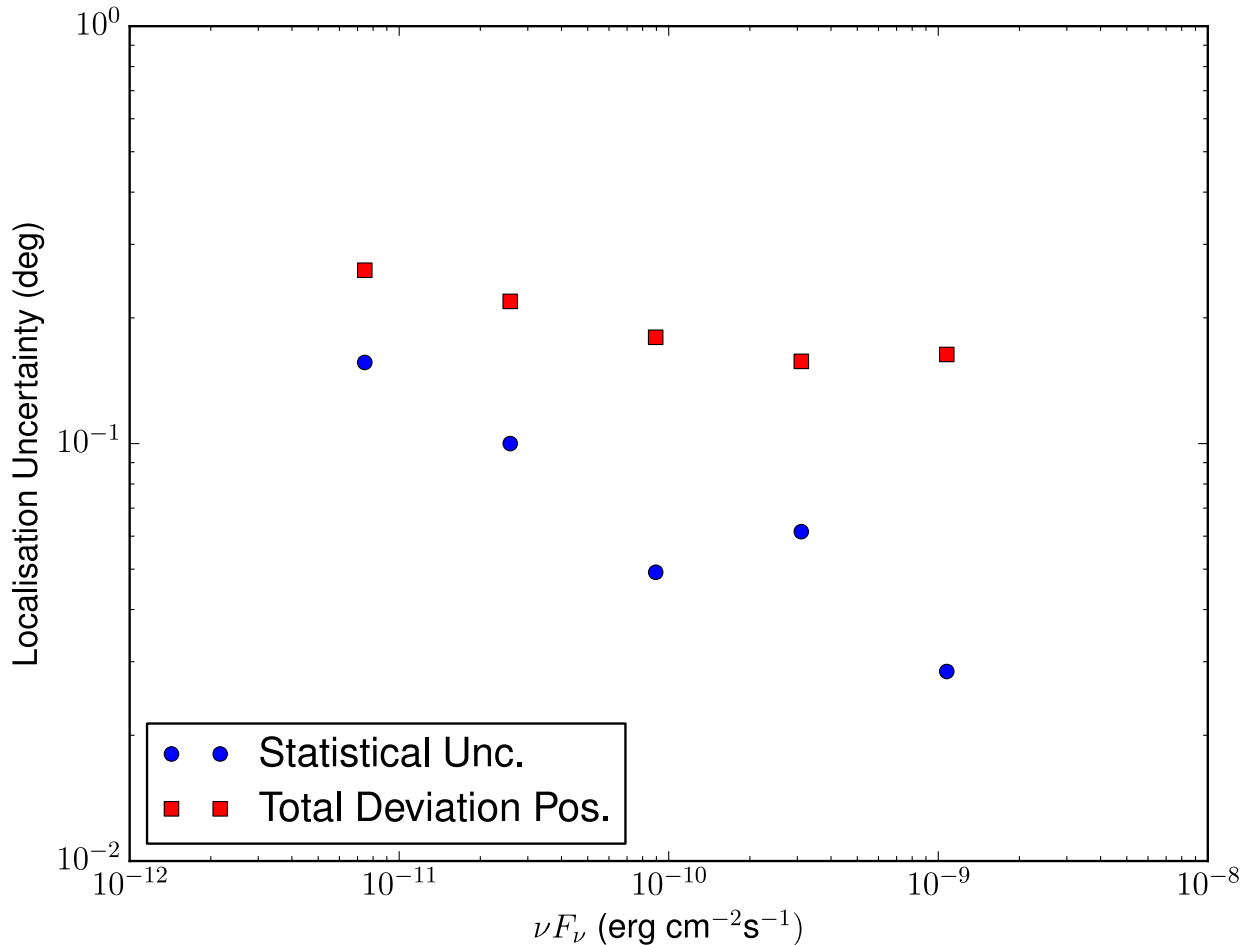


PGWave parameters	30 – 100 MeV	100 – 300 MeV
Pixel dim.	0°.458	0°.458
N° sigma for the stat. confidence	3	3
MH Wavelet Transform scale	1°.4 – 1°.8	0°.9 - 1°.8
Min. number of connected pixels	5 - 6	7 - 6
Min. distance between sources	1°.8 – 2°.7	1°.8 - 2°.7

False Positives:

- 5 in 30-100 MeV
- 17 in 100-300 MeV

Based on simulations



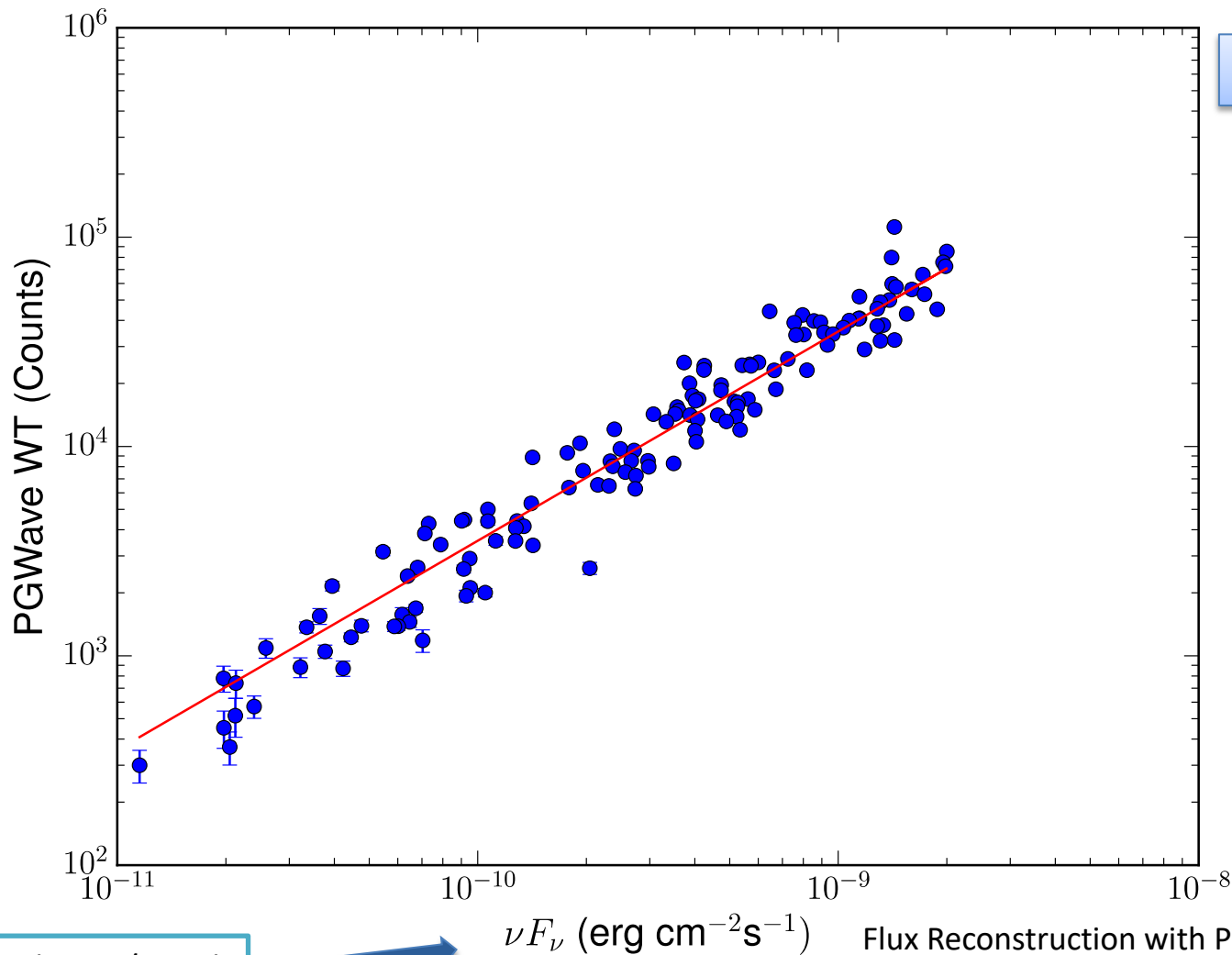
Using 10 realizations
Random PS maps

30 -100 MeV

Syst. Unc ≈ 0°.25

We optimize the position given by PGWave using a parabolic fit in 5x5 pixel grid around the maximum.

Flux Determination



energy flux / ln(Emax/Emin)

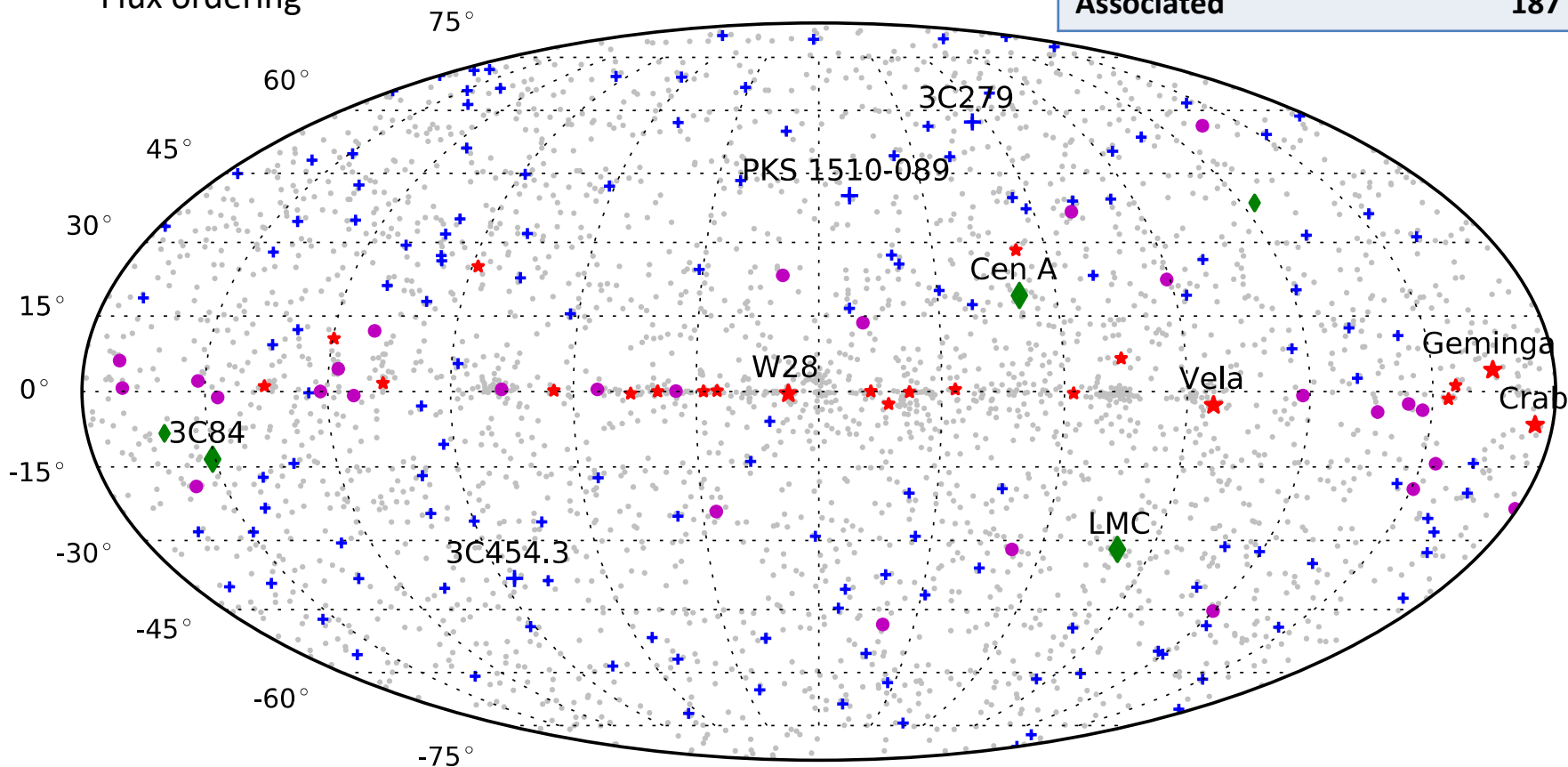
Flux Reconstruction with PGWave;
Principe & Malyshev 2017, [arXiv:1610.01351v2](https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.01351v2)

Fermi-LAT sources below 100 MeV

Association:

- Based on a positional coincidence
- Tolerance radius $1^\circ.5$
- Flux ordering

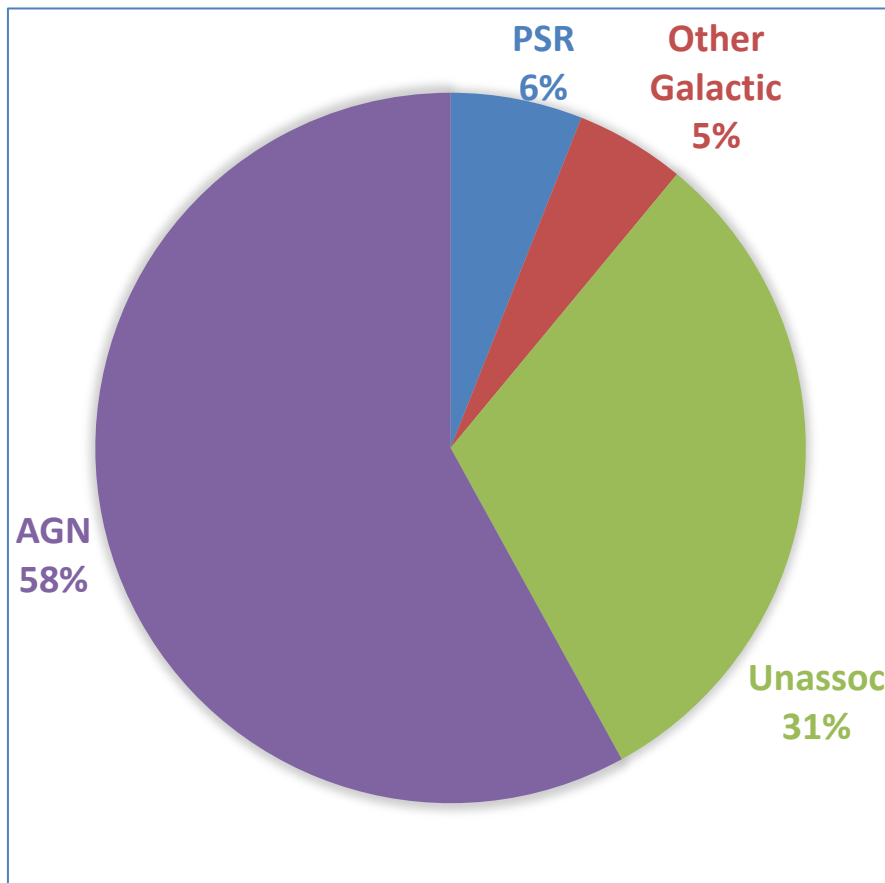
Results	PS (counts)
3FGL (grey points)	3034
PGWave 30-100 MeV	198
Associated	187



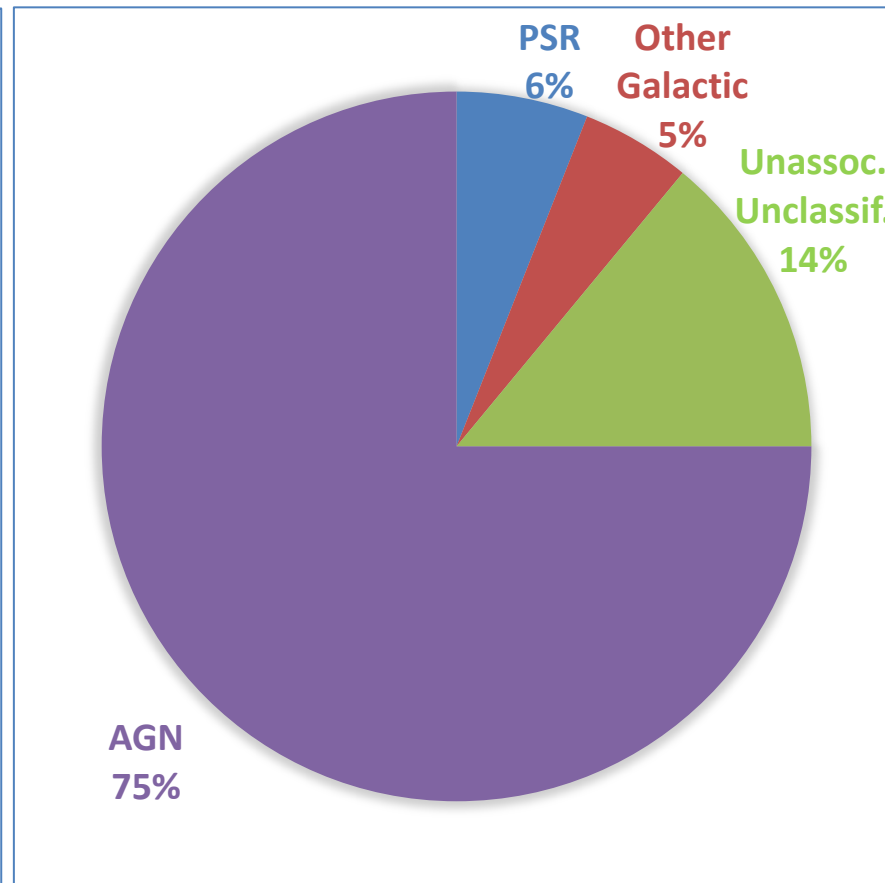
★ ★ ★	Pulsar, PWN, SNR, HMB	◆ ◆ ◆	Other Extragalactic Obj.
+ + +	Blazar	● ● ●	Unclassified or Unassociated

1FLE and 3FGL Catalog comparison

3FGL
(3033 sources)

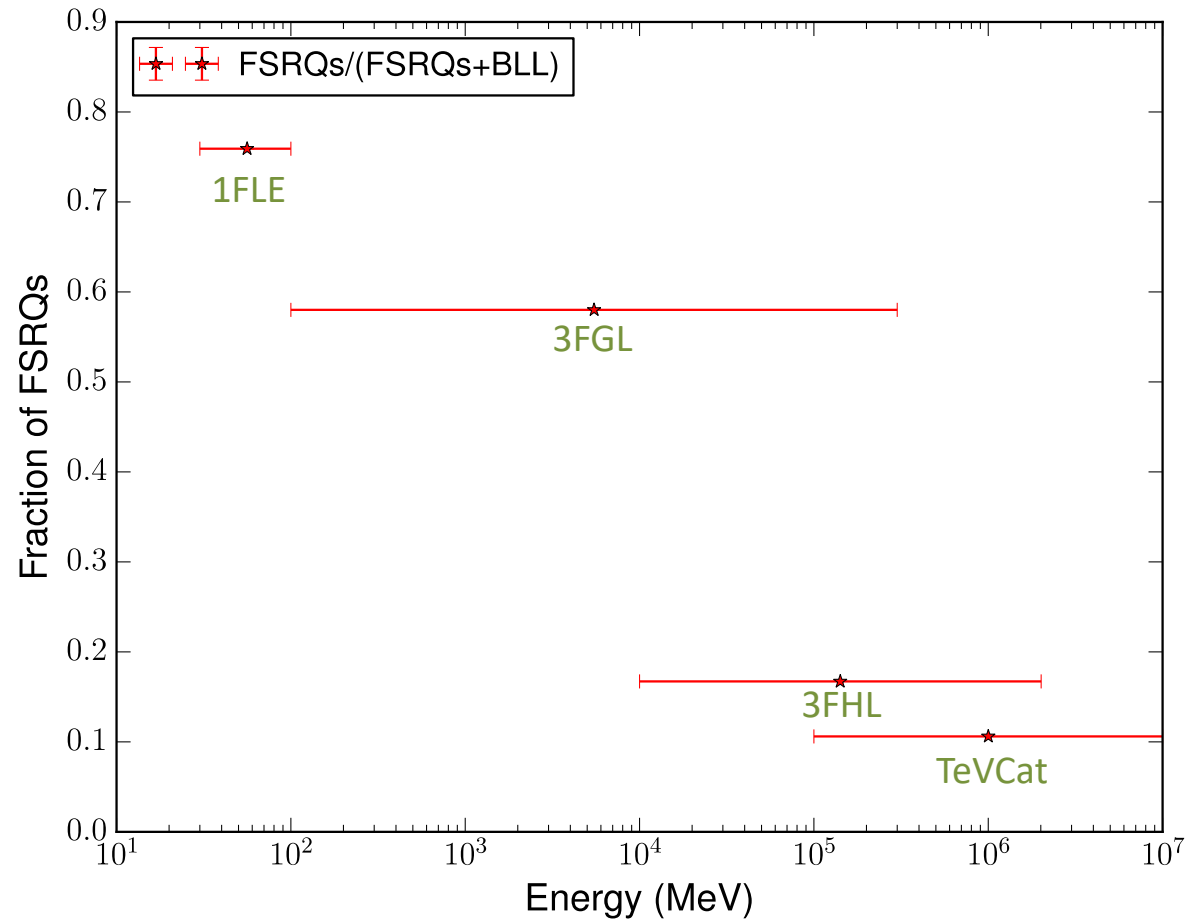


1FLE
(198 sources)

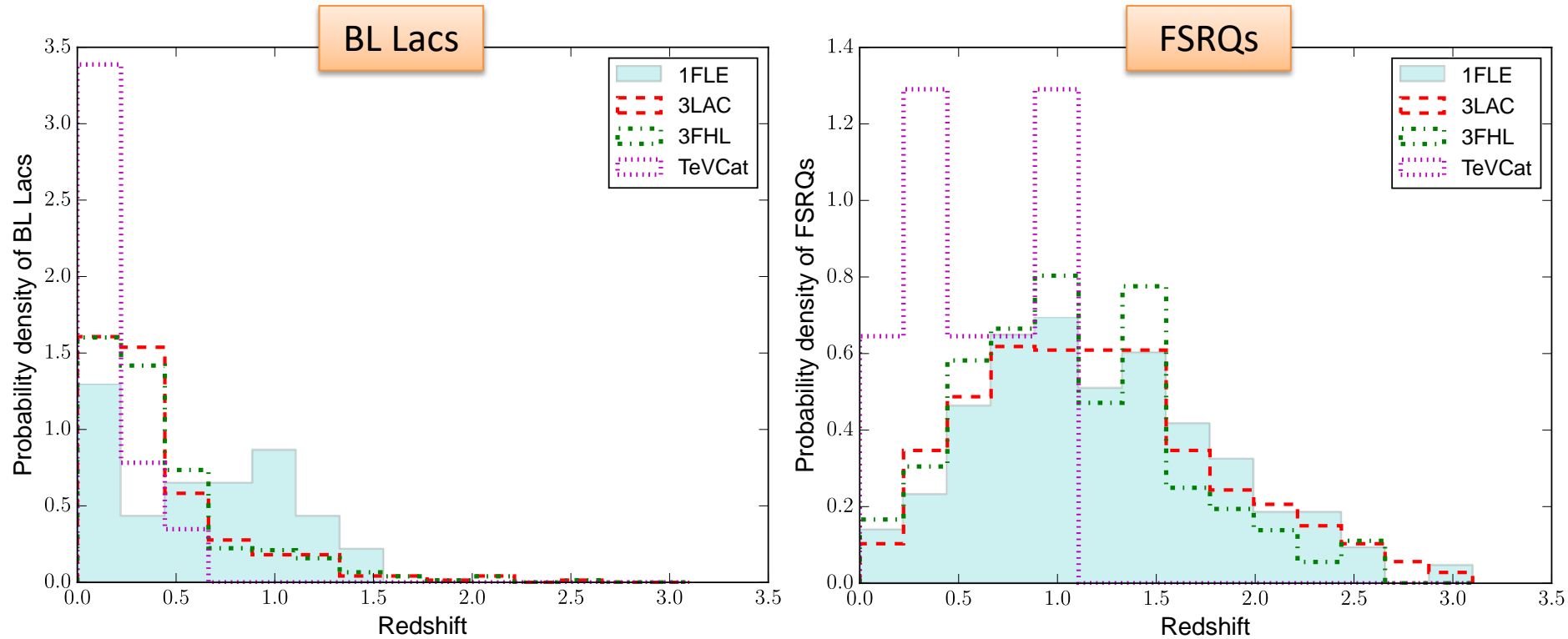


Comparison of the blazars in 1FLE and in 3FGL(3LAC), 3FHL and TeVCat.

The higher fraction of FSRQs is expected in 1FLE since they typically have softer spectra than BL Lacs.



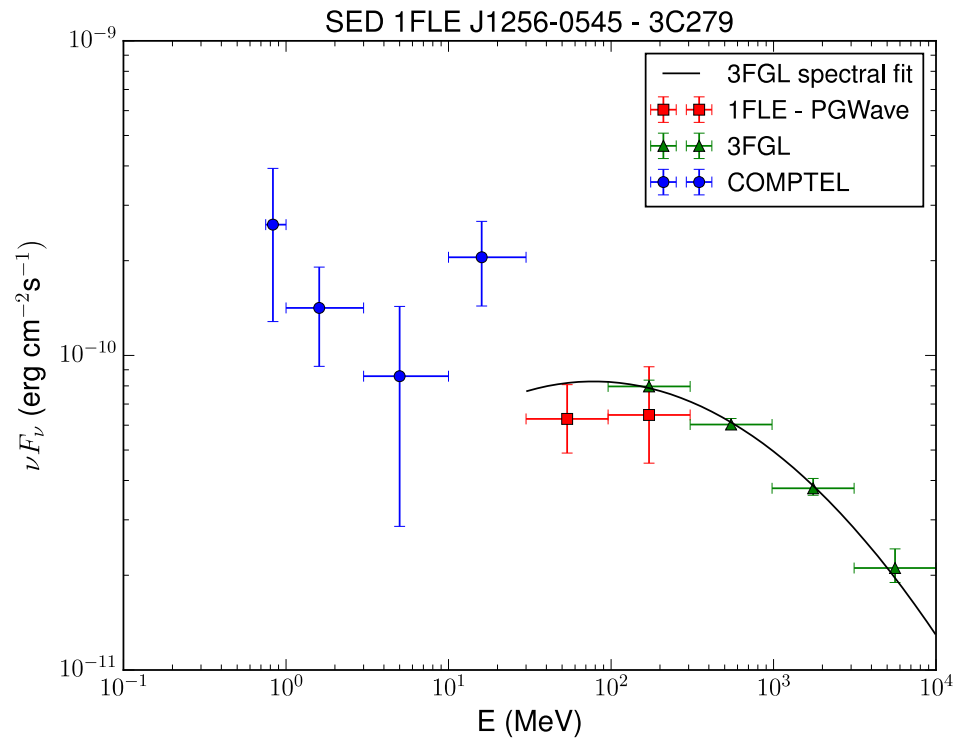
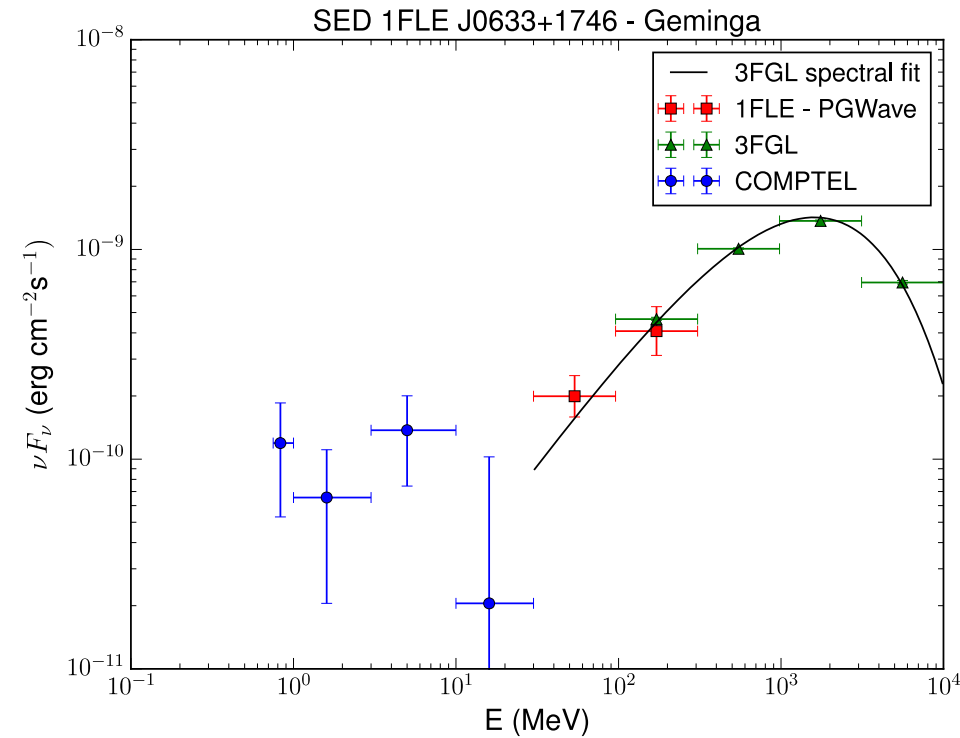
1FLE Blazars – Redshift distributions



60% LSP BL Lacs in 1FLE, compared to 25% in 3LAC.
LSP – Low-synchrotron peaked blazar.

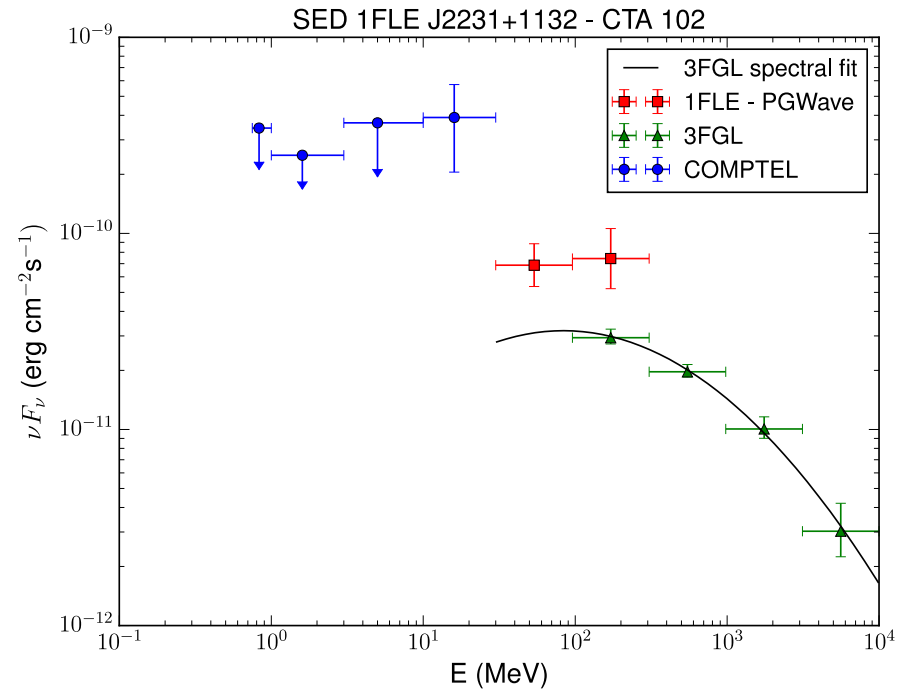
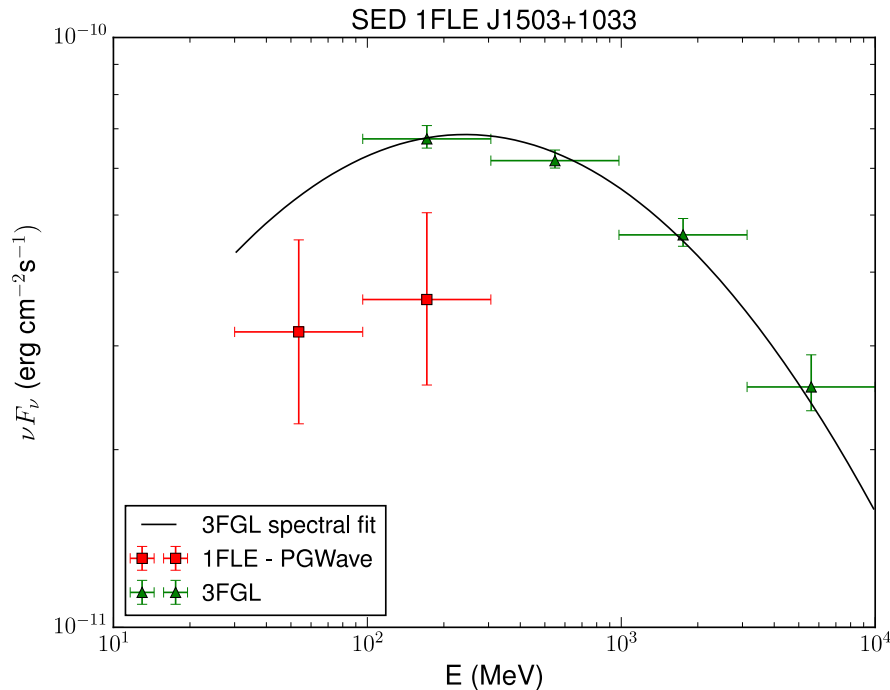
Blazar class	1FLE z_{av}	3LAC z_{av}	KS test p-value
All blazars	1.06 ± 0.06	0.84 ± 0.02	8.1×10^{-6}
FSRQ	1.22 ± 0.06	1.21 ± 0.03	0.964
BL Lac	0.59 ± 0.09	0.41 ± 0.02	0.018
Other blazars	0.55 ± 0.17	0.33 ± 0.04	0.124

Two examples of SED.

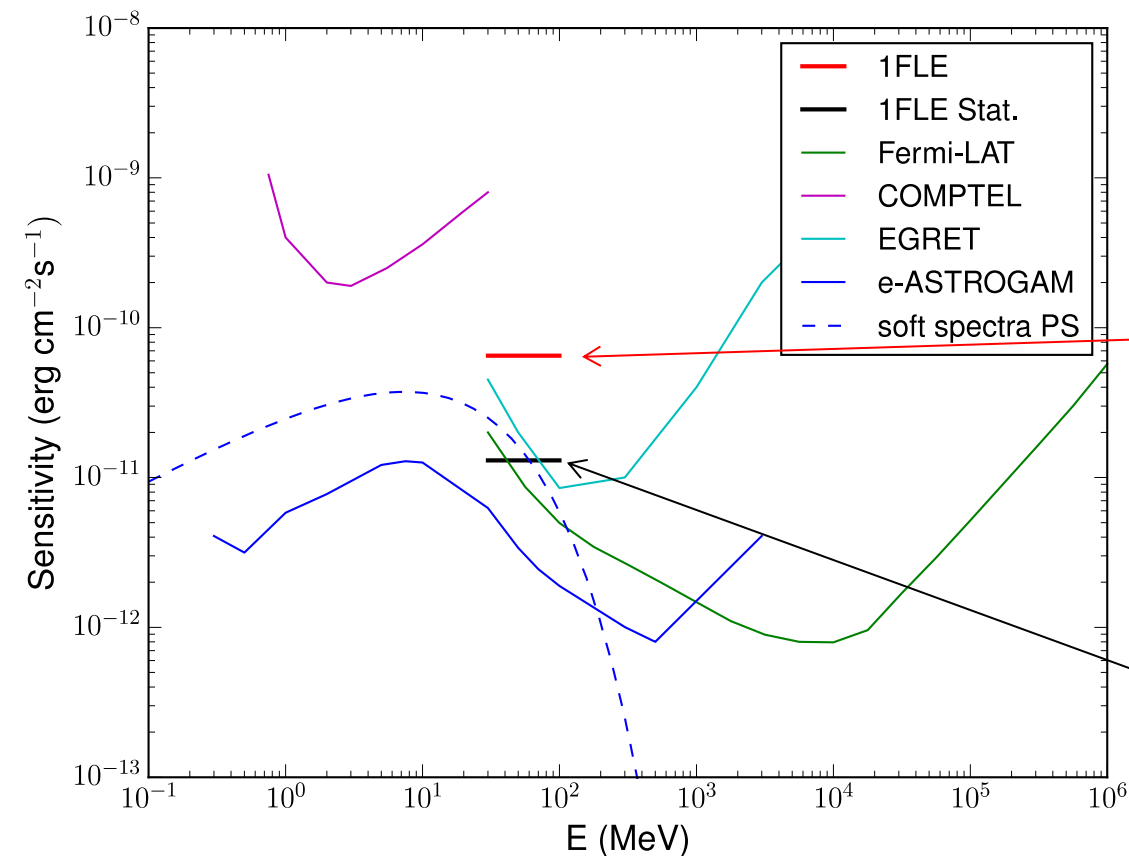


Source Name	GLON (deg)	GLAT (deg)	1FLE νF_ν (100-100 MeV) $10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	3FGL νF_ν (100-300 MeV) $10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Flare comment
1FLE J0424-0042	194.8	-32.6	5.49 ± 2.19	18.79 ± 1.17	flare in 3FGL
1FLE J0443-0024	197.5	-28.2	6.26 ± 2.50	19.72 ± 0.86	flare in 3FGL
1FLE J1224+2118	255.5	81.6	49.77 ± 14.79	83.52 ± 1.12	flare in 3FGL
1FLE J1227+0218	289.1	64.6	37.46 ± 10.63	87.53 ± 1.41	flare in 3FGL
1FLE J1332-0518	321.6	56.0	11.93 ± 3.39	26.22 ± 1.93	flare in 3FGL
1FLE J1503+1033	11.3	54.8	3.60 ± 1.02	6.73 ± 1.19	flare in 3FGL
1FLE J2231+1132	77.1	-38.6	74.32 ± 22.09	29.34 ± 1.03	flare after 3FGL

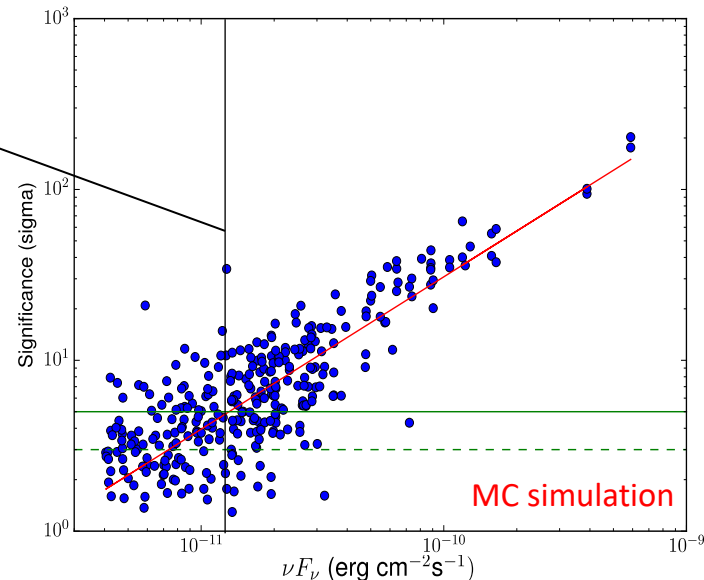
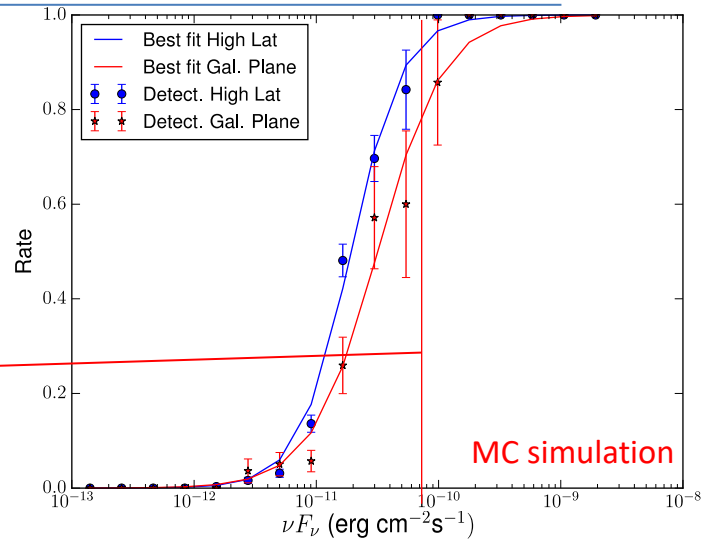
Table 5. 1FLE sources with a flare during the 3FGL observation time (flare in 3FGL) or after the 3FGL observation time (flare after 3FGL).



1FLE Sensitivity



In red, the **1FLE total sensitivity** (95% detection efficiency at $|b| > 10^\circ$), while in black the **1FLE statistical sensitivity** determined as the flux corresponding to the 5σ significance of PGWave.



Summary

Simulation:

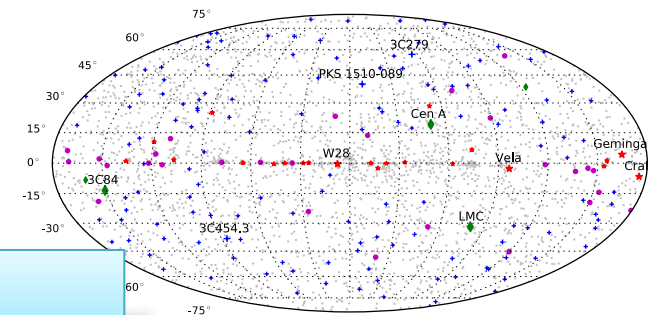
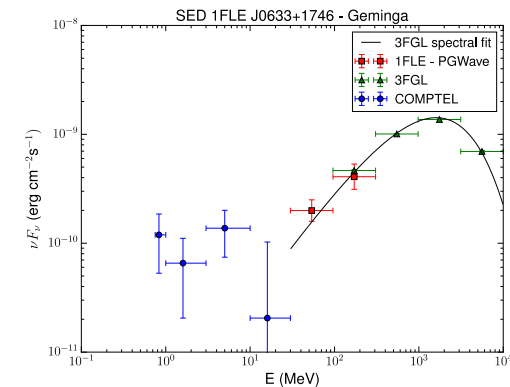
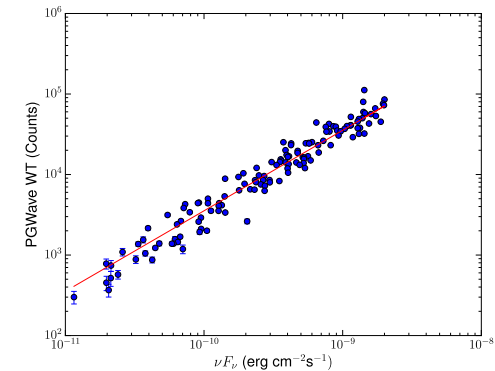
1. We optimize the PGWave parameters to maximize detection rate and minimize the false positives.
2. We optimize the reconstructed position with a parabolic fit.
3. Using 10 realization maps, we estimate the Stat. and Syst. Unc. Source Localization.
4. Flux Reconstruction:
 - We reconstruct the flux using the WT peak
 - We estimate the Stat. and Syst. Unc. for flux reconstruction

Results:

1. We analyze 8.7 years of data between 30-100 MeV: we found 198 PS, 187 have an association in 3FGL and 11 have no association (no significant evidence of new sources).
2. We compare the 1FLE AGNs with other gamma ray catalogs (3LAC, 3FHL, TeVCat).
3. We create the spectral energy distributions for the 1FLE PS.
4. We estimate the sensitivity of the 1FLE catalog.

Recently accepted by A&A and posted on arXiv

Thanks for your attention



Backup Slides

PGWave is a method, based on **Wavelet Transforms** (WTs) [1], to detect sources in astronomical images obtained with photon-counting detectors, such as X-ray or gamma-ray images.

1. The WT of a 2-dim image $f(x,y)$ is defined as:

$$w(x, y, a) = \iint g\left(\frac{x - x'}{a}, \frac{y - y'}{a}\right) f(x', y') dx' dy'$$

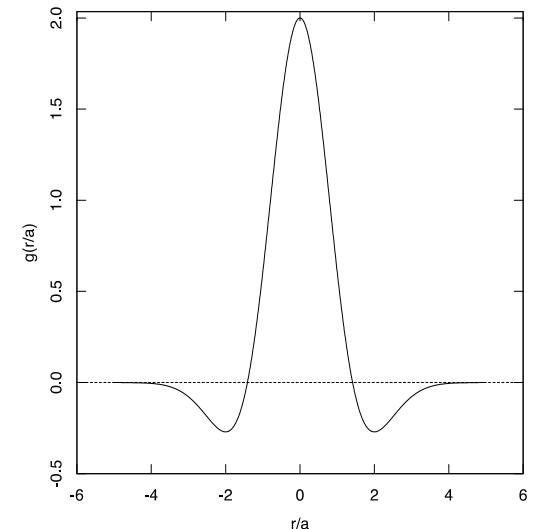
where $g(x/a, y/a)$ is the generating wavelet, x and y are the pixel coordinates, and a is the scale parameter.

2. PGWave uses the 2-dim **“Mexican Hat”** wavelet:

$$g\left(\frac{x}{a}, \frac{y}{a}\right) \equiv g\left(\frac{r}{a}\right) = \left(2 - \frac{r^2}{a^2}\right) e^{-r^2/2a^2} \quad (r^2 = x^2 + y^2)$$

3. The peak of the WT for a source with Gaussian shape (N_{src} total counts and width σ_{src}) is:

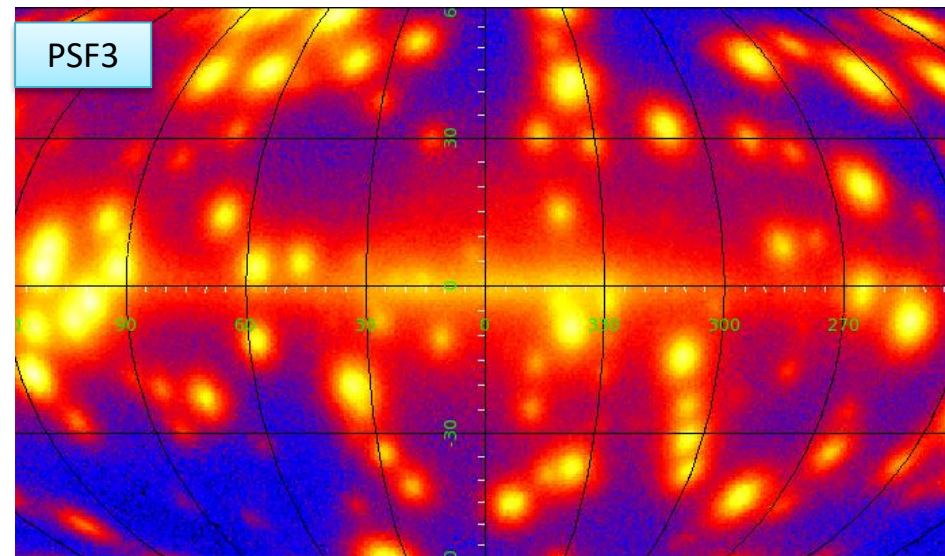
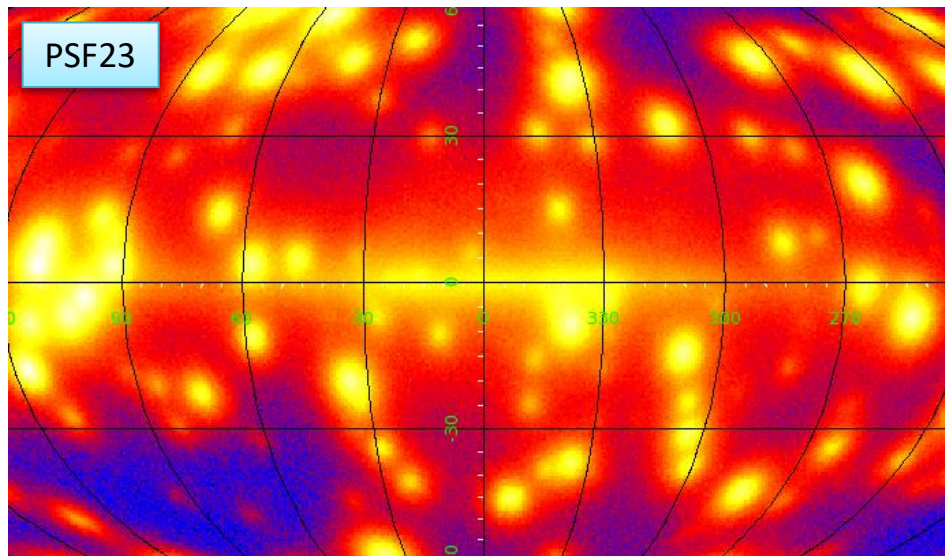
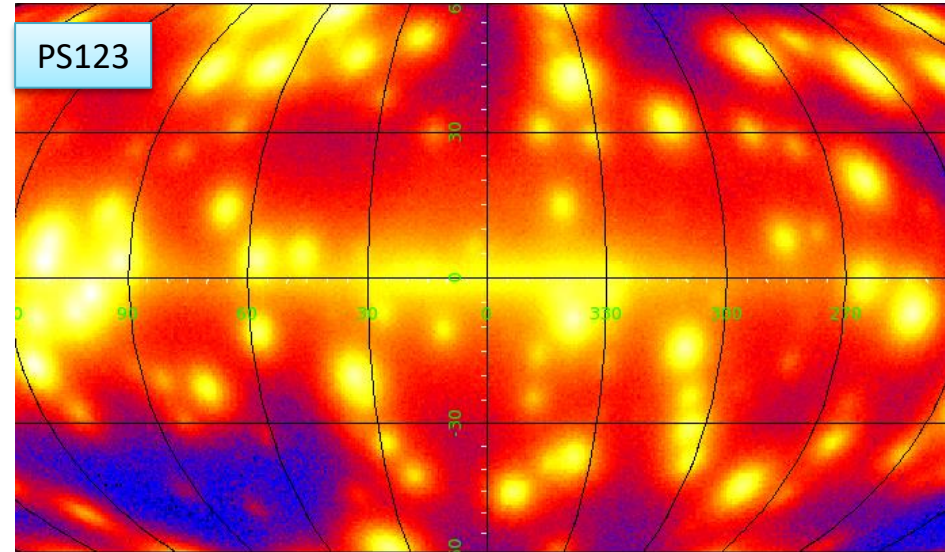
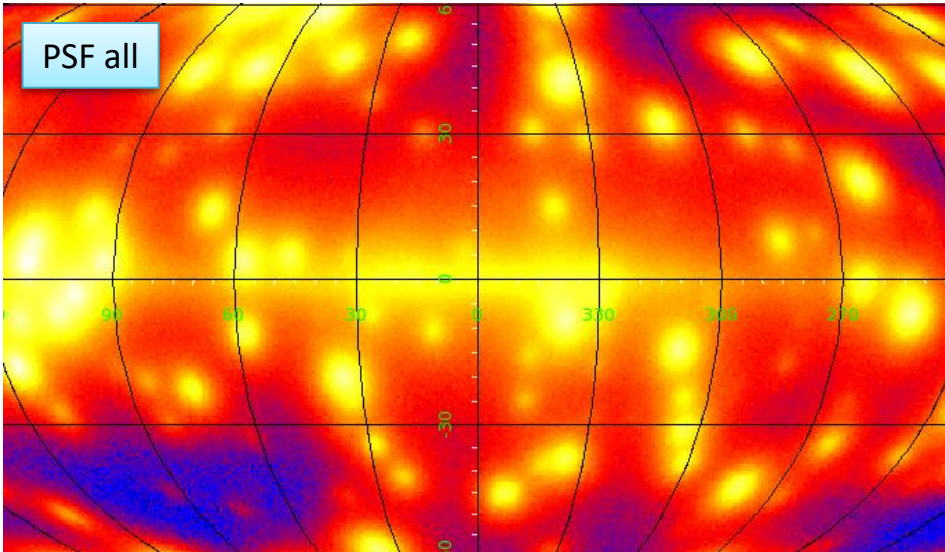
$$w_{\text{peak}}(a) = \frac{2N_{\text{src}}}{(1 + \sigma_{\text{src}}^2/a^2)^2}$$



[1] Damiani F. et. al., A Method Based on Wavelet Transforms for Source Detection in Photon-Counting Detector Images, *ApJ* 483, 350, (1997)

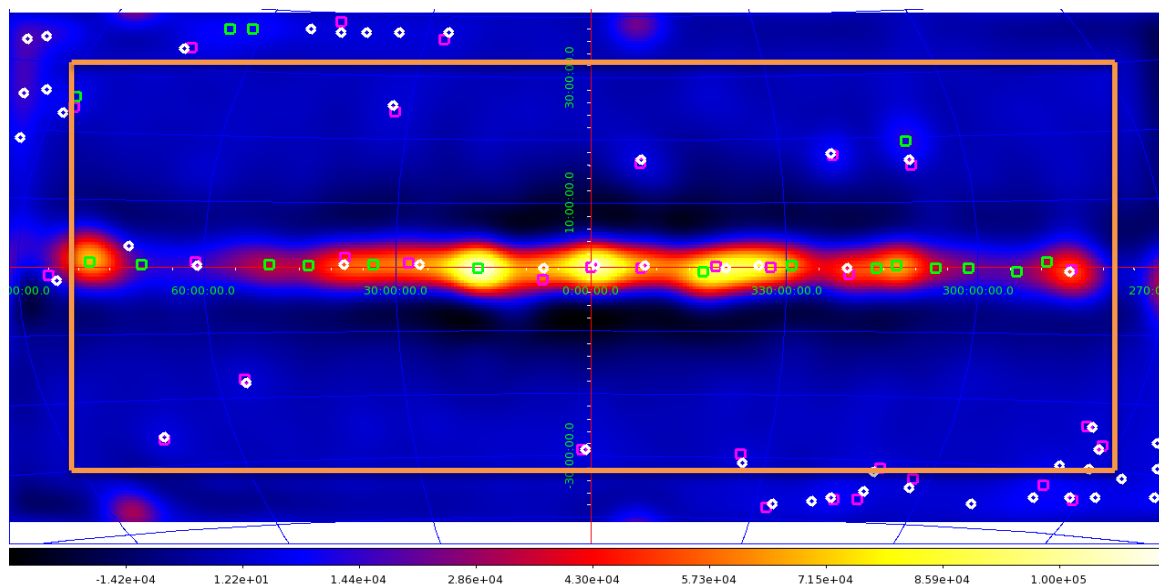
PSF Class Selection

Random PS maps



Analysis procedure:

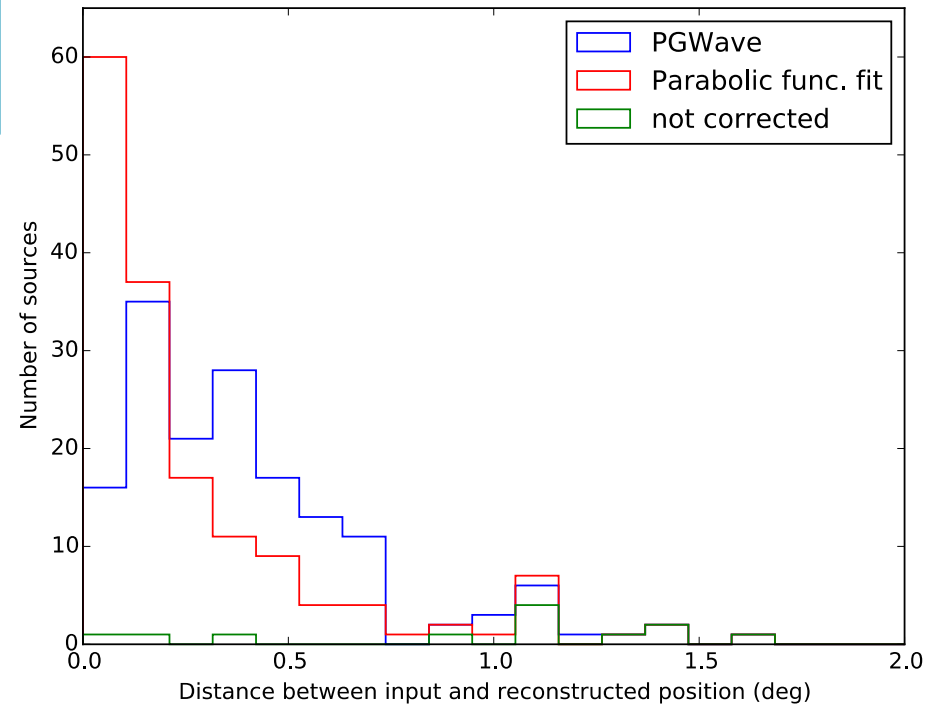
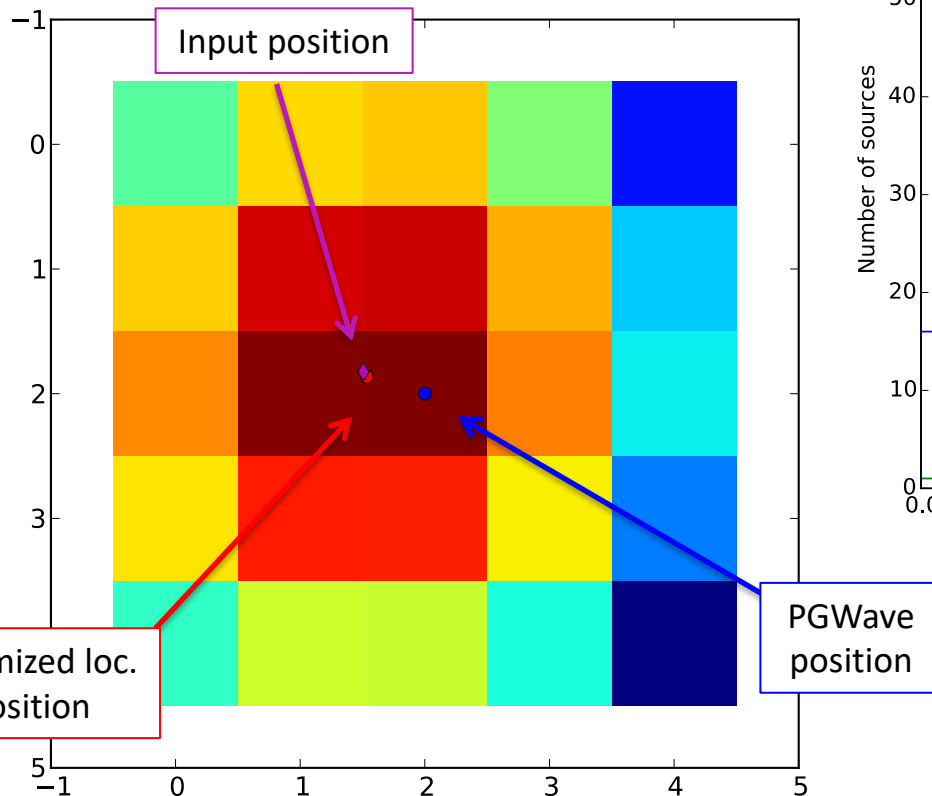
1. Gtbin: we use 12 ROIs of the dimensions of $180^\circ \times 90^\circ$ (LON, LAT)
2. PGWave: we perform PGWave and create a dictionary
3. Restrict area: we eliminate the seeds that are close to the boarder
4. Merge seeds: we merge the seeds in the overlapped regions
(we perform the previous steps 1-4 are performed also for the diffuse maps)
5. Eliminate diffuse: we eliminate the seeds that match with those from the diffuse
6. Comparison: we compare the resulting sources with the 3FGL
7. Flux determination: we determine the flux using the WT peak of PGWave



Data Selection

Data Selection	Values
IRFs	P8R2_SOURCE_v6
PSF Classes	PSF3
Time Interval	8.7 years
Energy Range	[30-100 MeV] [100-300 MeV]
Zenith angle	90°
Pixel Size	0.458°

Since PGWave returns the positions of the center of the pixel (in which the WT has a maximum), we optimize the reconstruction of the position using a parabolic fit in 5x5 pixel grid around the maximum.



Tolerance radius ($1^{\circ}.5$): 98% of the reconstructed sources are localized at less than $1^{\circ}.5$ from the input position.

We used 10 realizations of the MC maps with random positioned PS for studying the systematical and statistical error in the localization ([30-100 MeV], [100-300 MeV]).

Statistical:

for each reconstructed PS (K) we compute the mean and the standard deviation (sigma) of the position of the seeds from the different realizations, with the mean position X_{mean}

$$\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (X_{PGW_i} - X_{PGW_{mean}})^2}{n}} \quad \sigma_k = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n-1}}$$

where n is the number of PGWave seeds associated at this reconstructed PS (input PS).

Our statistical Unc. is the mean of all the single σ_k of each reconstructed PS

$$\sigma_{stat} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_k \sigma_k^2}{k}}$$

Total Deviation in the Position (Systematic)

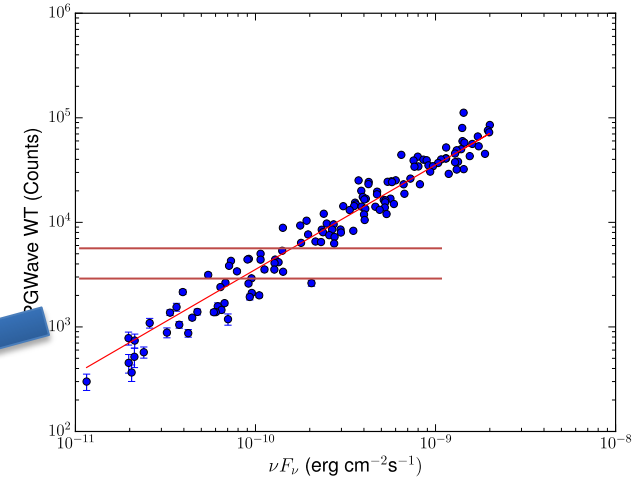
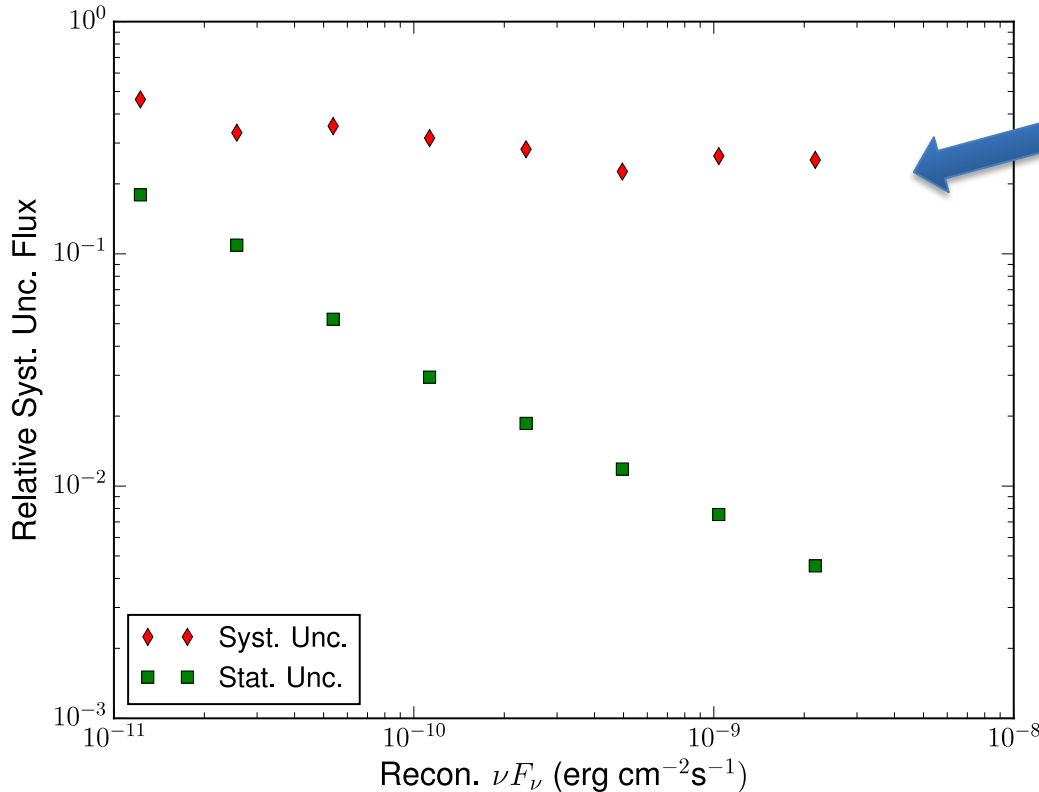
We compute the difference between the mean position for the seeds of the same reconstructed PS and the position of the input PS:

$$\Delta_k = X_{PGW_{mean}} - X_{IN}$$

Then for all the reconstructed PS

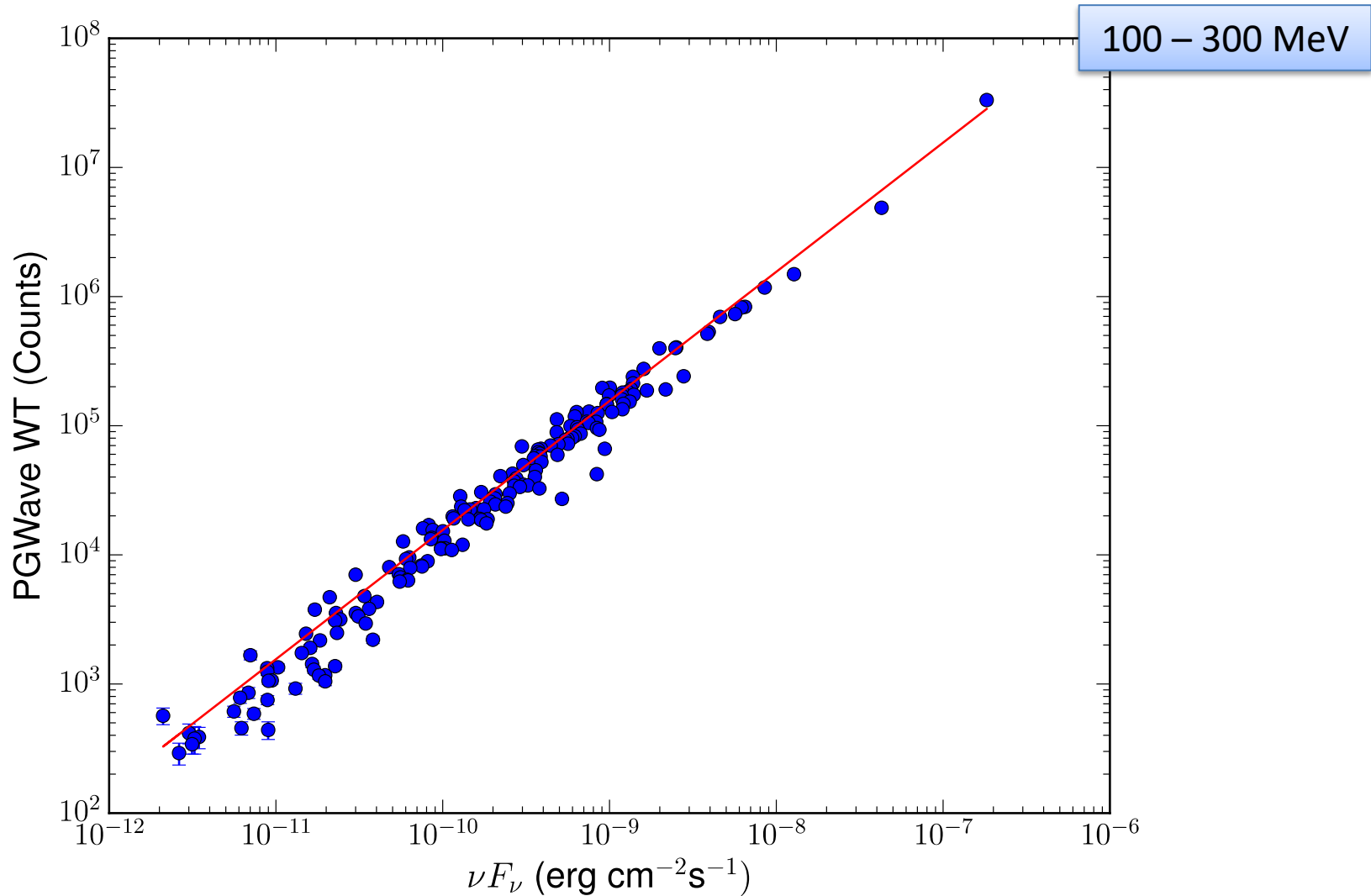
$$\sigma_{DEV} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum \Delta_k^2}{k}}$$

To derive the Syst. Unc. of the Flux Reconstruction, we divide the sources in bins of WT peak, then we estimate the mean distance, inside each bin, between the Input MC Flux and the PGWave best fit. (Stat. Unc. given by PGWave)

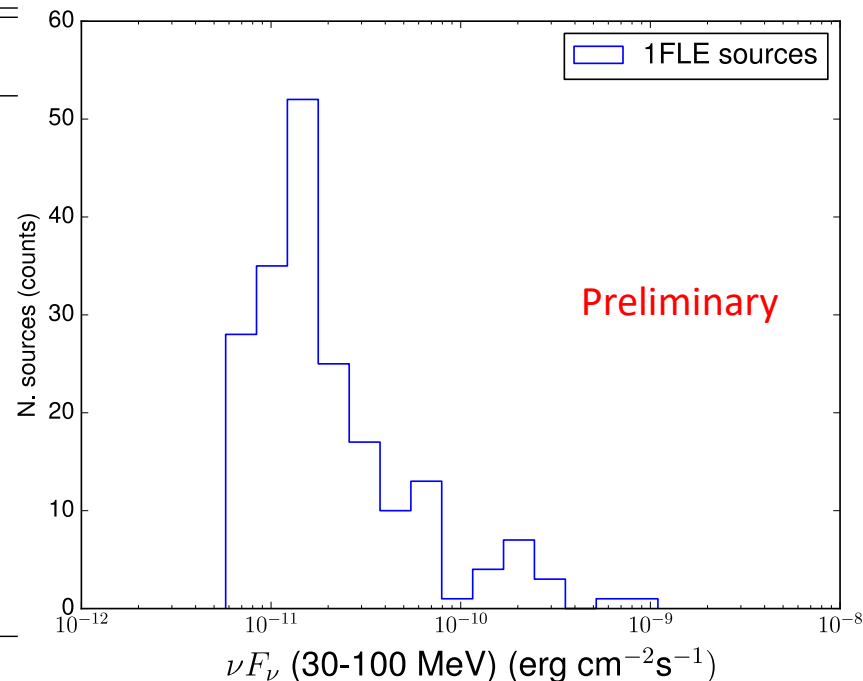


Relative Stat. and Syst. Unc
of Flux estimation
30 – 100 MeV

Flux Determination



Description	Associated Designator	Number
Pulsar	psr	12
Pulsar wind nebula	pwn	2
Supernova remnant	snr	2
Supernova remnant / Pulsar wind nebula	spp	5
High mass binary	hmb	1
BL Lac type of blazar	bll	31
Flat spectrum radio quasar type of blazar	fsrq	98
Narrow-line seyfert 1	nlsy1	1
Radio galaxy	rdg	3
Steep spectrum radio quasar	ssrq	1
Normal galaxy (or part)	gal	1
Blazar candidate of uncertain type	bcu	13
Unclassified	"	17
Unassociated	-	11
Total in the 1FLE		198



Source classes of the 1FLE sources determined using the 3FGL associations.
 Little evidence that the 11 sources with no 3FGL association are actually new sources.

1FLE sources not associated to the 3FGL

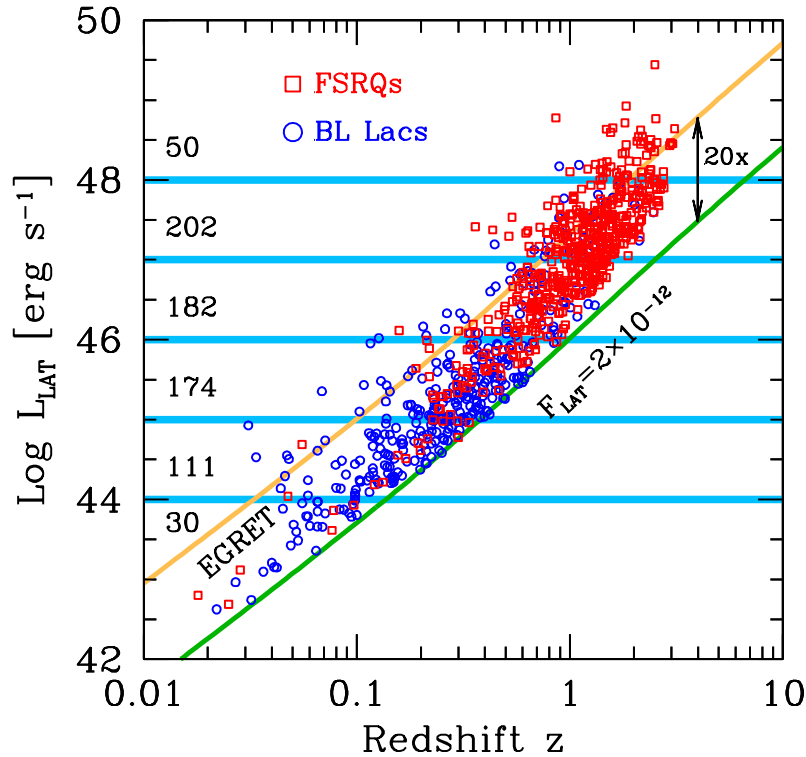
Source Name	GLON (deg)	GLAT (deg)	Err_pos (deg)	Signif. (σ)	$\langle F_{\gamma} \rangle$ (30 - 100 MeV) $10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	$\langle F_{\gamma} \rangle$ (100-300 MeV) $10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	Comment
1FLE J2206+ 7040	110.02	12.06	0.25	4.38	23.75 ± 7.16	0.0 ± 0.0	Diffuse
1FLE J0330+ 3304	157.42	-18.94	0.25	9.87	23.56 ± 7.10	0.0 ± 0.0	3FGL sources
1FLE J0422+ 5243	151.75	2.07	0.25	7.00	22.73 ± 6.85	0.0 ± 0.0	Gal. plane
1FLE J0647-0345	215.89	-2.48	0.25	7.75	17.71 ± 5.34	0.0 ± 0.0	Gal. plane
1FLE J0655-1106	223.33	-4.08	0.25	4.01	14.93 ± 4.94	4.07 ± 1.63	Gal. plane
1FLE J0522+ 3734	170.17	0.68	0.25	5.00	13.66 ± 4.52	0.0 ± 0.0	Gal. plane
1FLE J0637-0110	212.35	-3.72	0.25	4.80	10.88 ± 3.6	0.0 ± 0.0	Gal. plane
1FLE J1033+ 1601	224.87	56.14	0.25	3.65	10.30 ± 3.41	0.0 ± 0.0	$\sigma < 4$
1FLE J2158-5424	339.89	-48.37	0.25	3.99	8.51 ± 2.82	0.0 ± 0.0	$\sigma < 4$
1FLE J1203-2504	289.40	36.53	0.25	4.07	8.39 ± 2.77	0.0 ± 0.0	3FGL sources
1FLE J1030-3133	270.81	22.38	0.25	3.43	7.11 ± 2.35	0.0 ± 0.0	$\sigma < 4$

Gal. Plane: inside the galactic plane $|b| < 10^\circ$ where the diffuse emission has several structures.

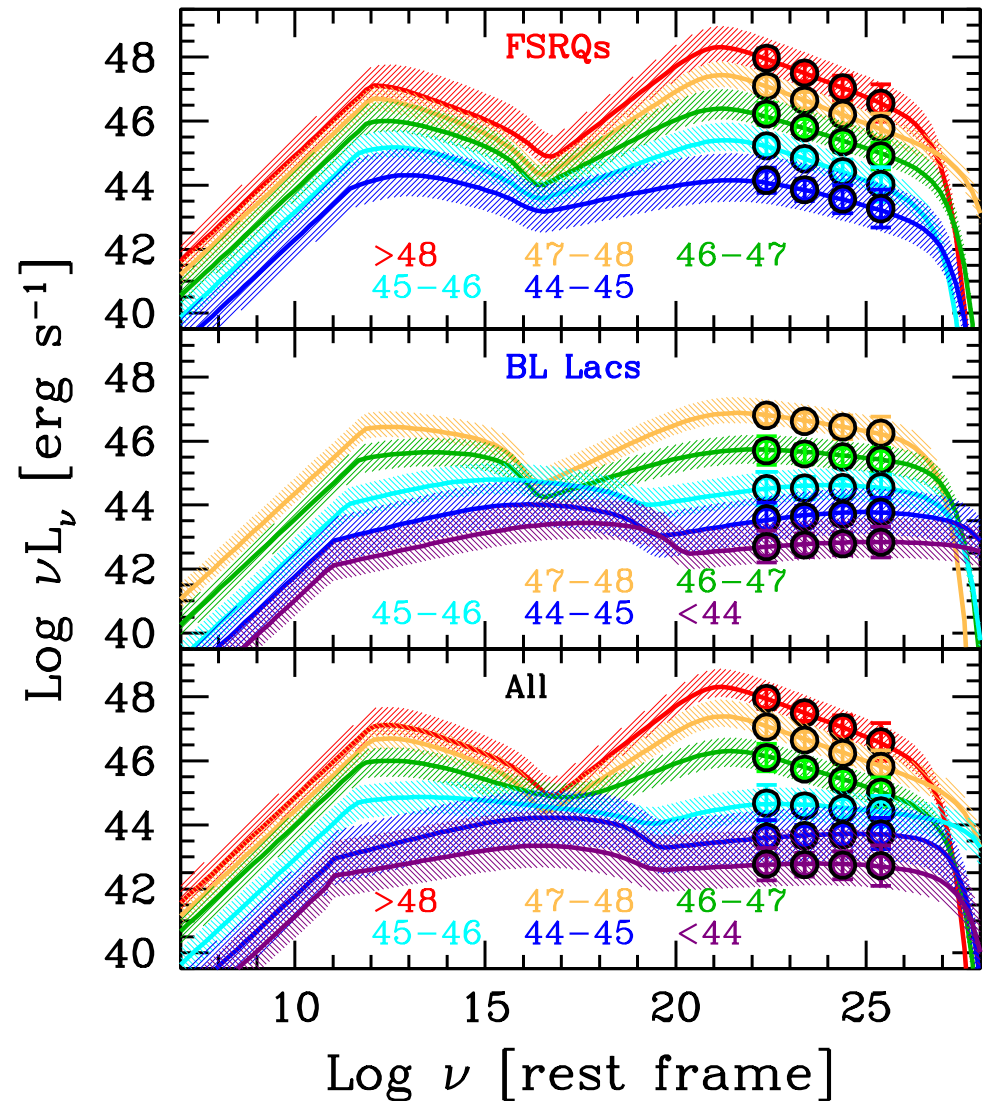
Diffuse: particular regions where the diffuse emission has some bright features.

3FGL sources: due to the large PSF if there are two or more 3FGL sources close each other, they could form a single structure and PGWave does not distinguish the different sources but returns a seed in the middle.

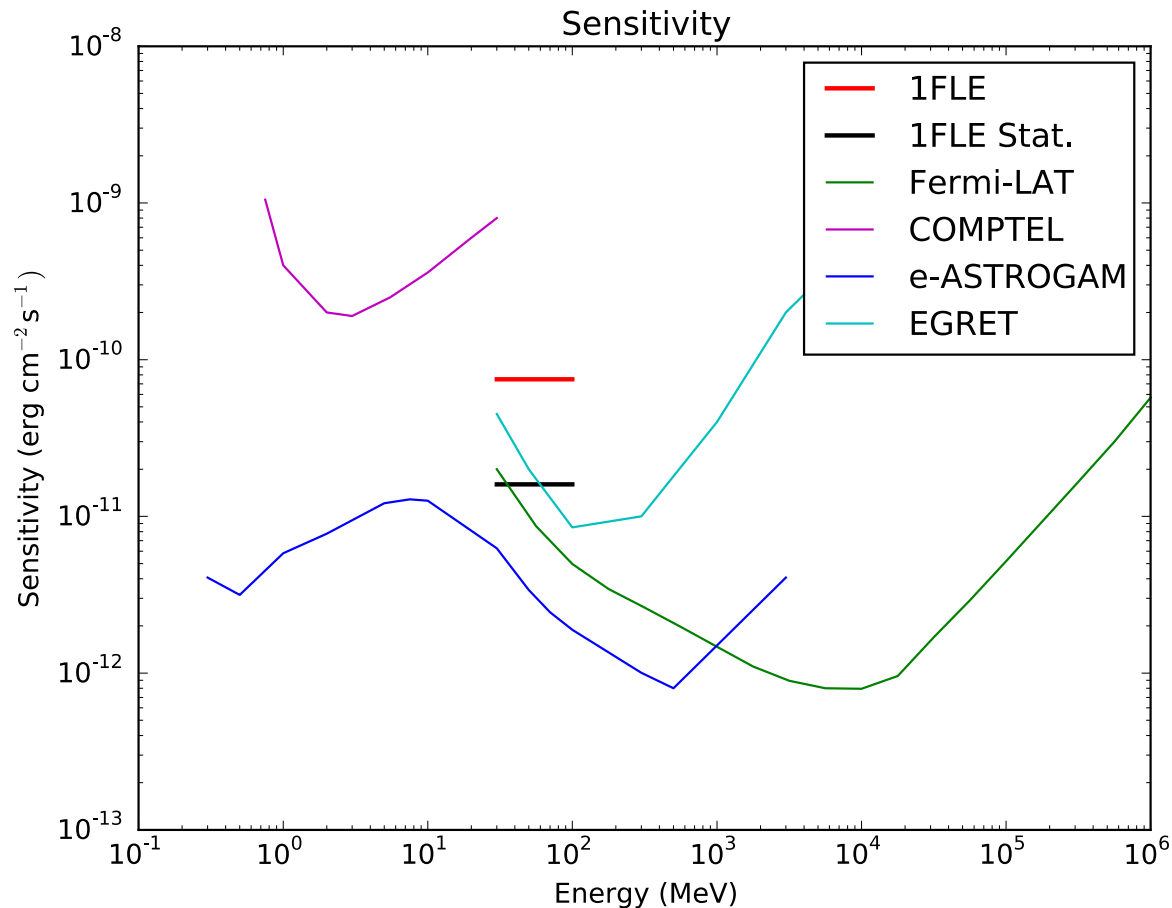
Using the 3LAC blazars



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1FLE Sensitivity

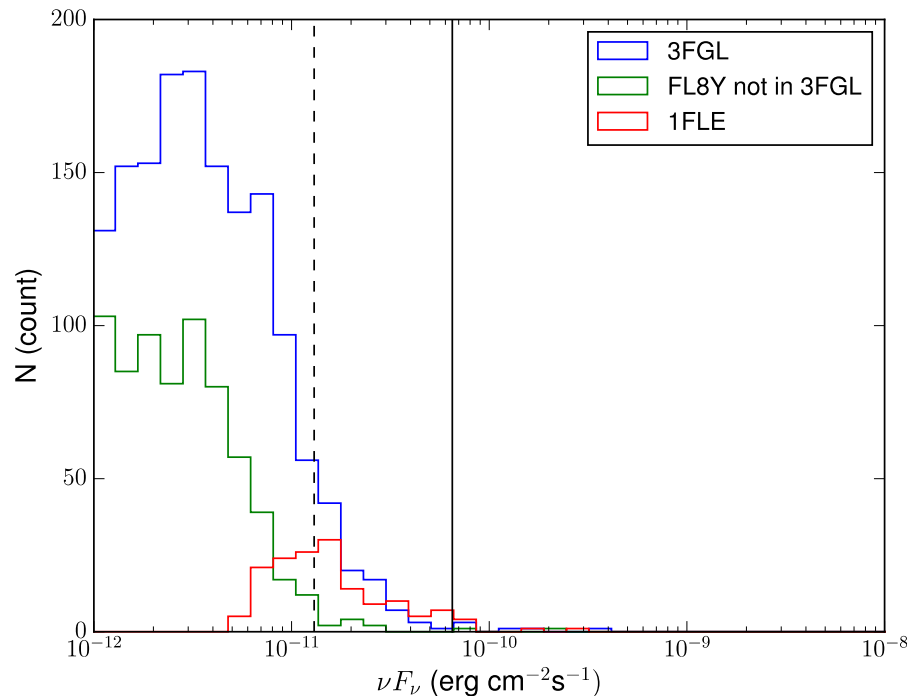


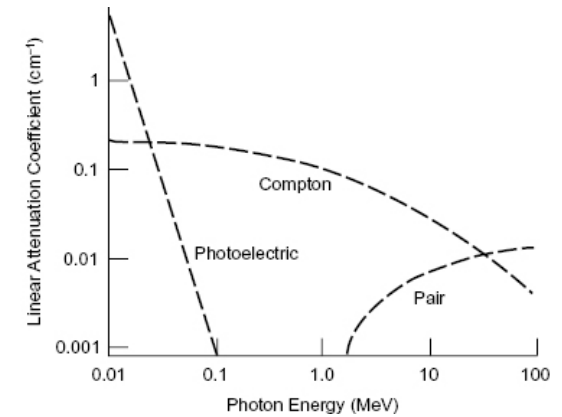
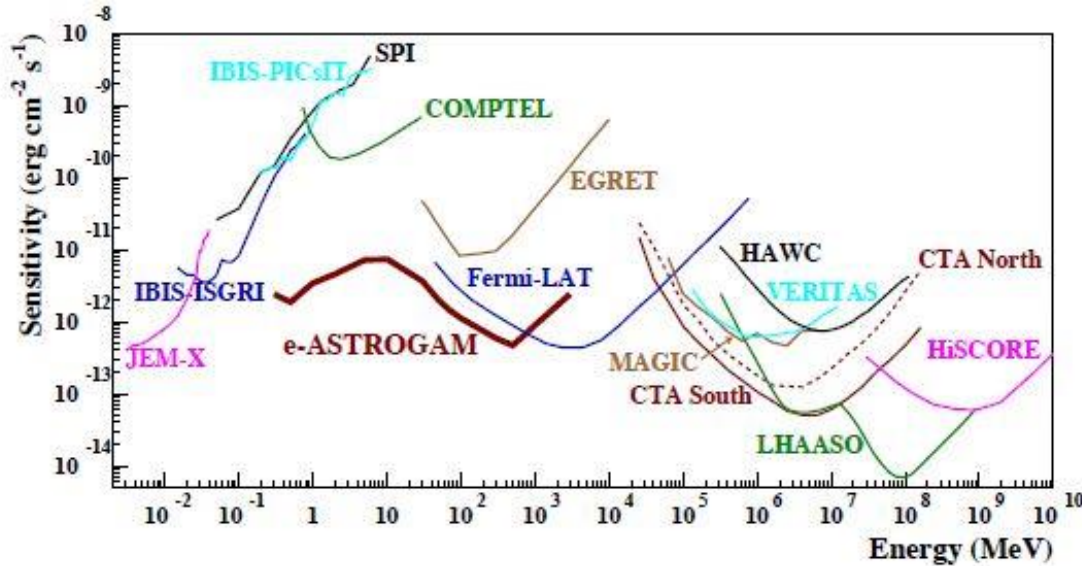
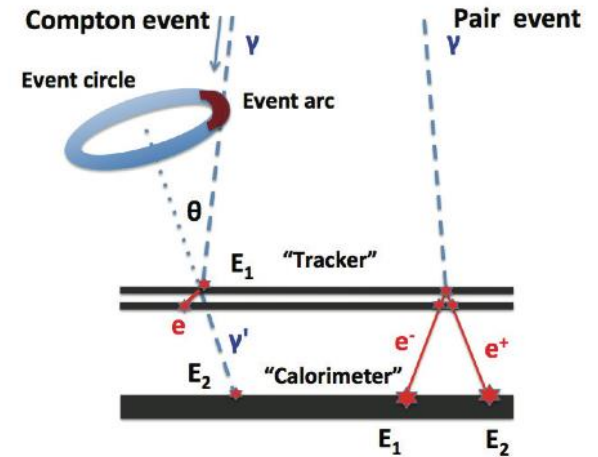
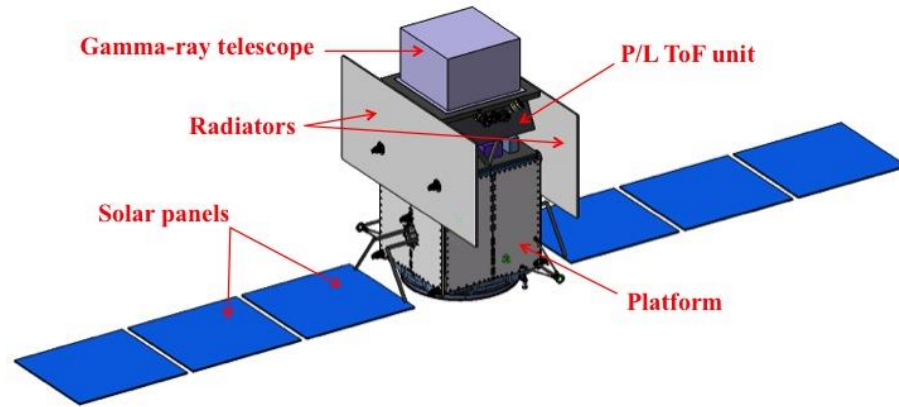
The **COMPTEL** and **EGRET** sensitivities are given for the typical observation time accumulated during 9 years. The **Fermi-LAT** sensitivity is for a high Galactic latitude source in 10 years of observation in survey mode. **e-ASTROGAM** sensitivity for an effective exposure of 1 year and for a source at high Galactic latitude.

One of the reason of no new sources is the lower sensitivity of the Fermi-LAT at Low energies due to small effective area and angular resolution.

Two **consequences of non-observation of new sources** in 1FLE:

1. No sufficiently bright flaring sources (not in 3FGL) after 3FGL time interval
2. No very bright sources with a very soft spectrum, e.g. cutoff around 100 MeV





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