

A photograph of the MAGIC (Major Atmospheric Gamma Imaging Cherenkov) Telescope. The telescope is a large, circular structure with a complex, multi-layered metallic surface that reflects the sky. It is supported by a tall, intricate metal framework. The background shows a clear blue sky and a brown, hilly landscape. The text "The MAGIC Telescope & the Universe at 100 GeV" is overlaid in yellow at the top left. At the bottom left, the name "Denis BASTIERI" and affiliation "Univ./INFN Padova" are written in yellow. At the bottom right, the location "AGN7, Montagnana" and date "May 25th 2006" are written in yellow.

The MAGIC
Telescope & the
Universe at 100
GeV

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- AGN7, Montagnana -
May 25th 2006



Outline

IACT

- the quest for a low energy threshold
- Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Technique

The MAGIC Telescope

- the MAGIC Collaboration
- key building elements

Performances

- standard analysis
- Galactic sources
- Extragalactic sources

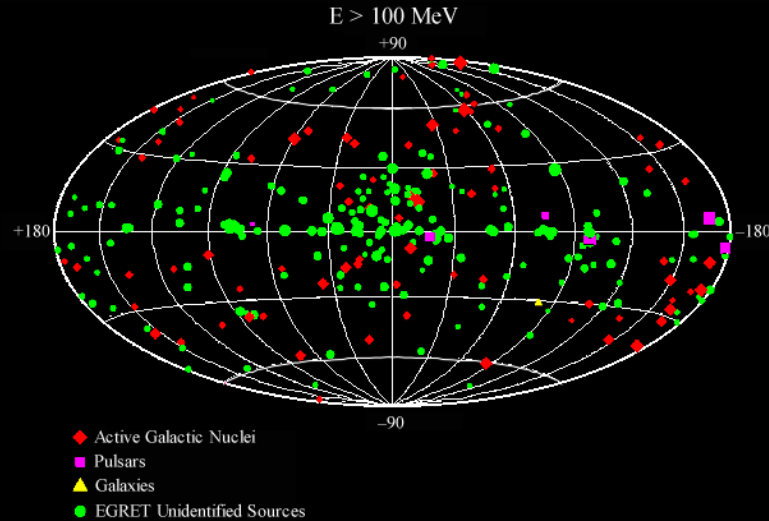
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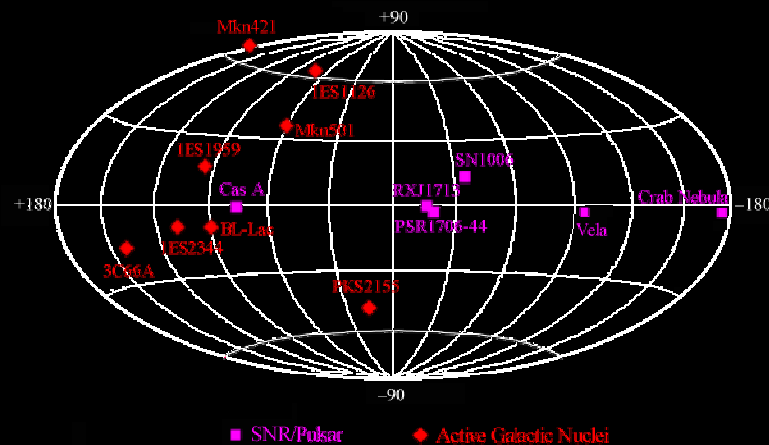


The quest for a low energy threshold

THIRD EGRET CATALOGUE OF GAMMA-RAY POINT SOURCES



VHE Gamma Sources (E > 300 GeV)



- Observations from satellite are below 30 GeV.
- Ground experiments start at ~250 GeV.

⇒ DIFFERENT PICTURE!

?? Intrinsic cut-off?

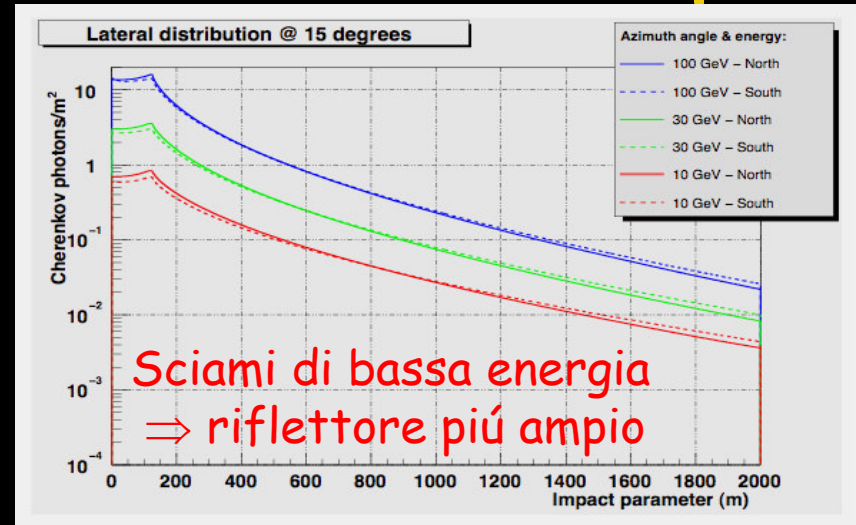
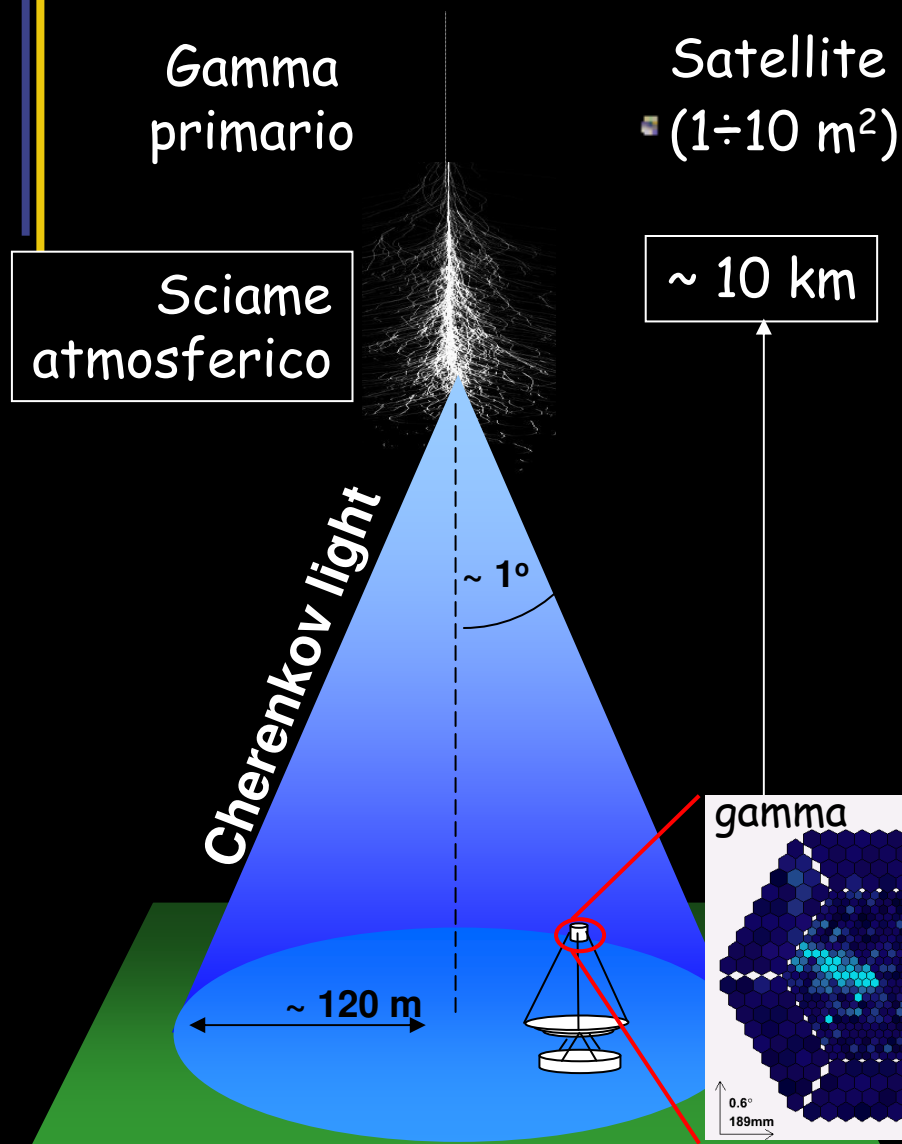
?? IR/optical/UV absorption?

>>> 171 unid sources <<<

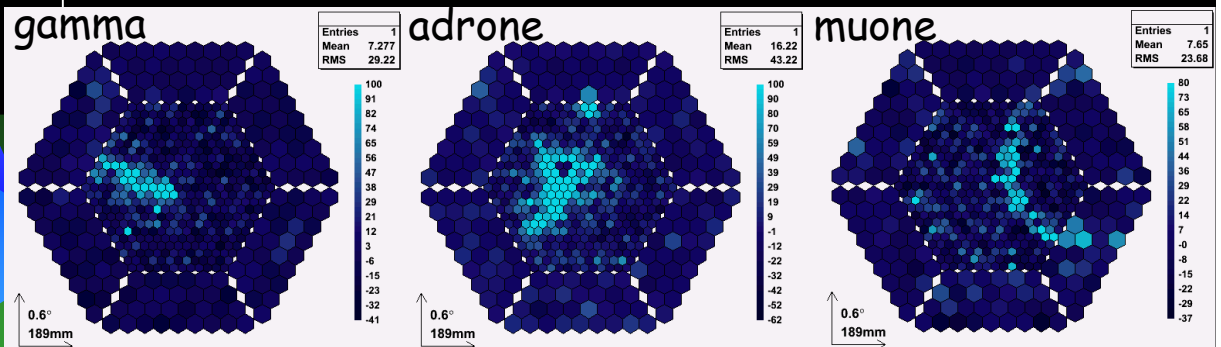
- Lowering E_{th} sheds light on both sources and Extragalactic Background Light (EBL).



Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Technique

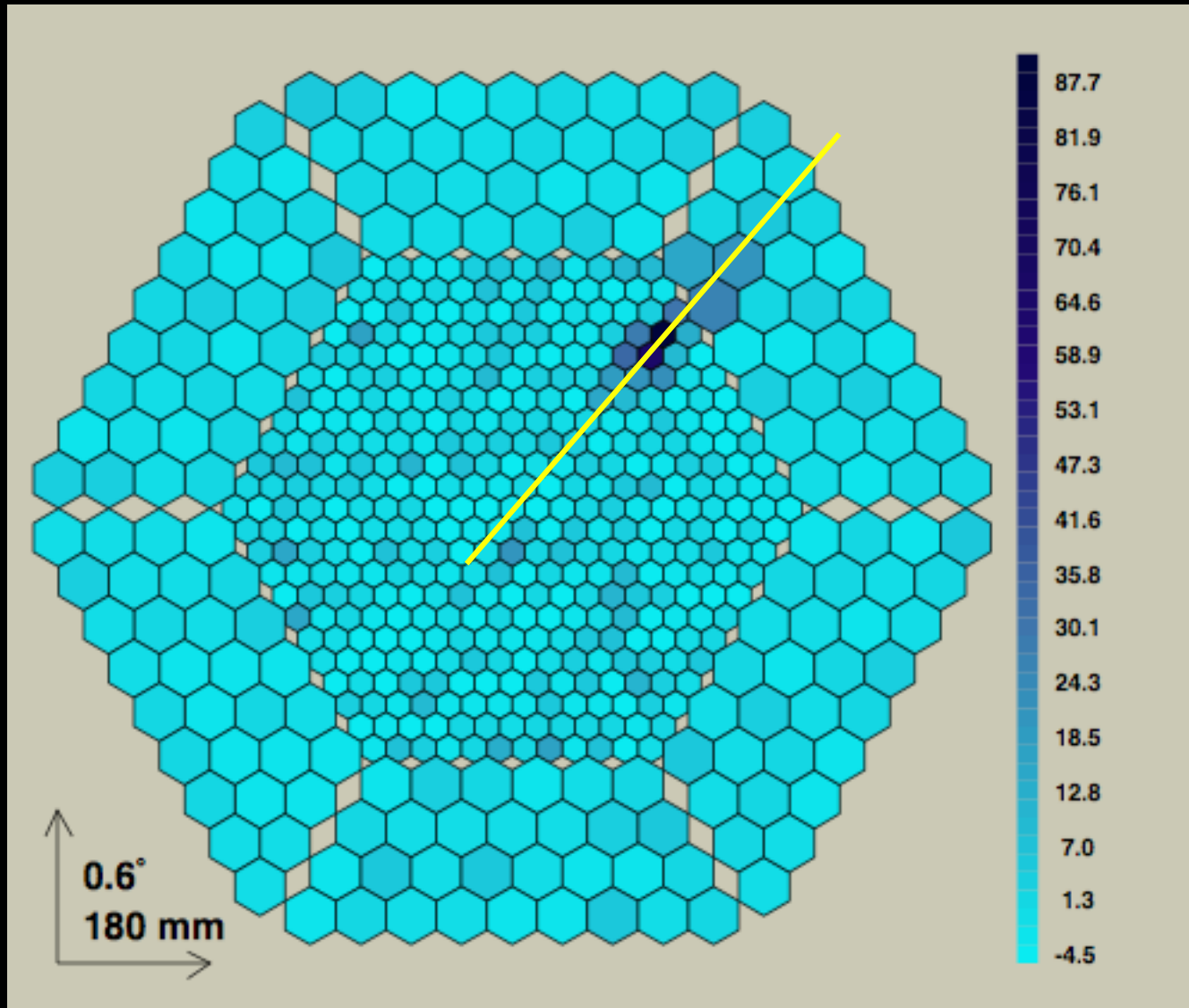


Dall'immagine di uno sciame si può ricostruire: direzione, energia e natura del primario



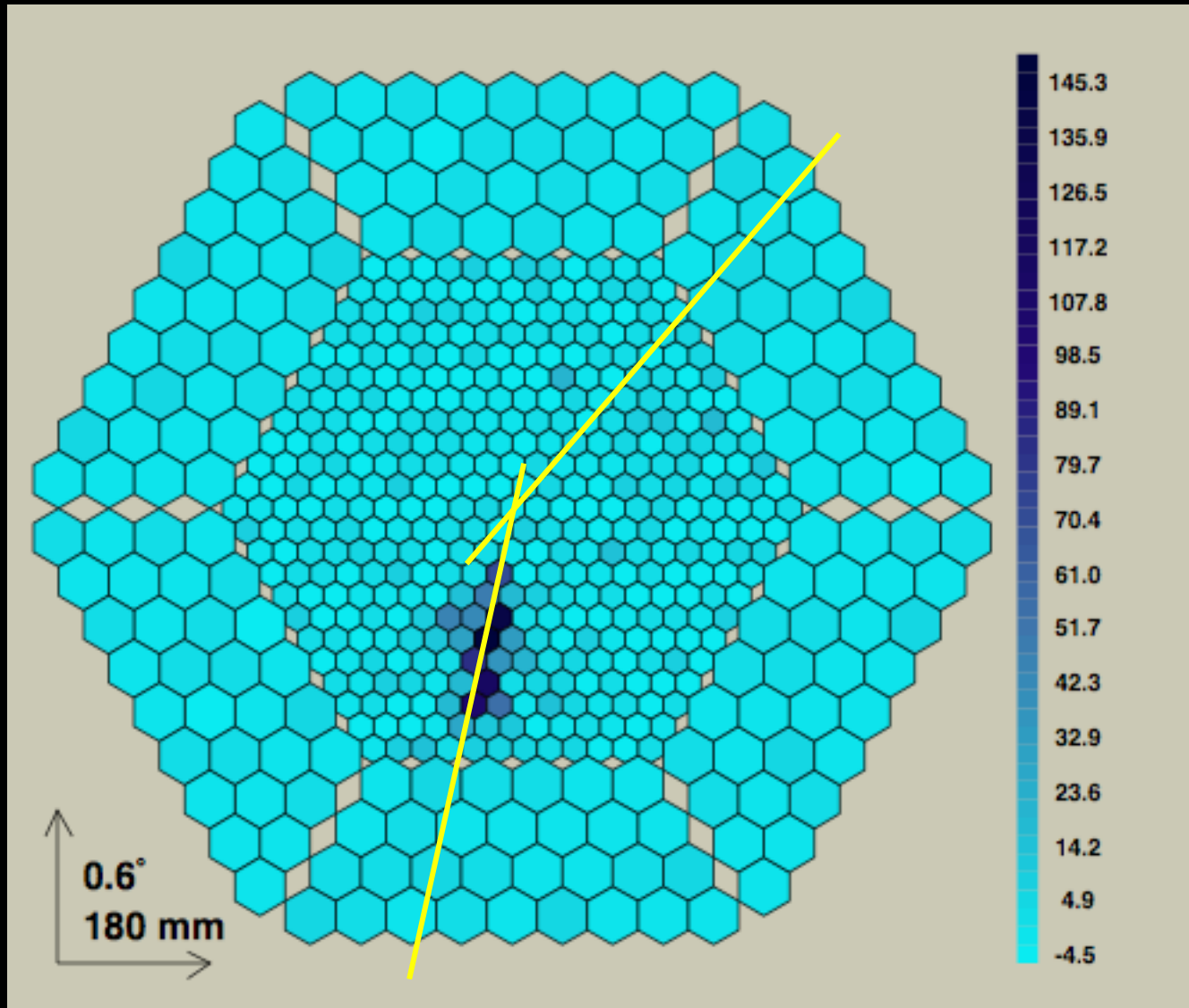


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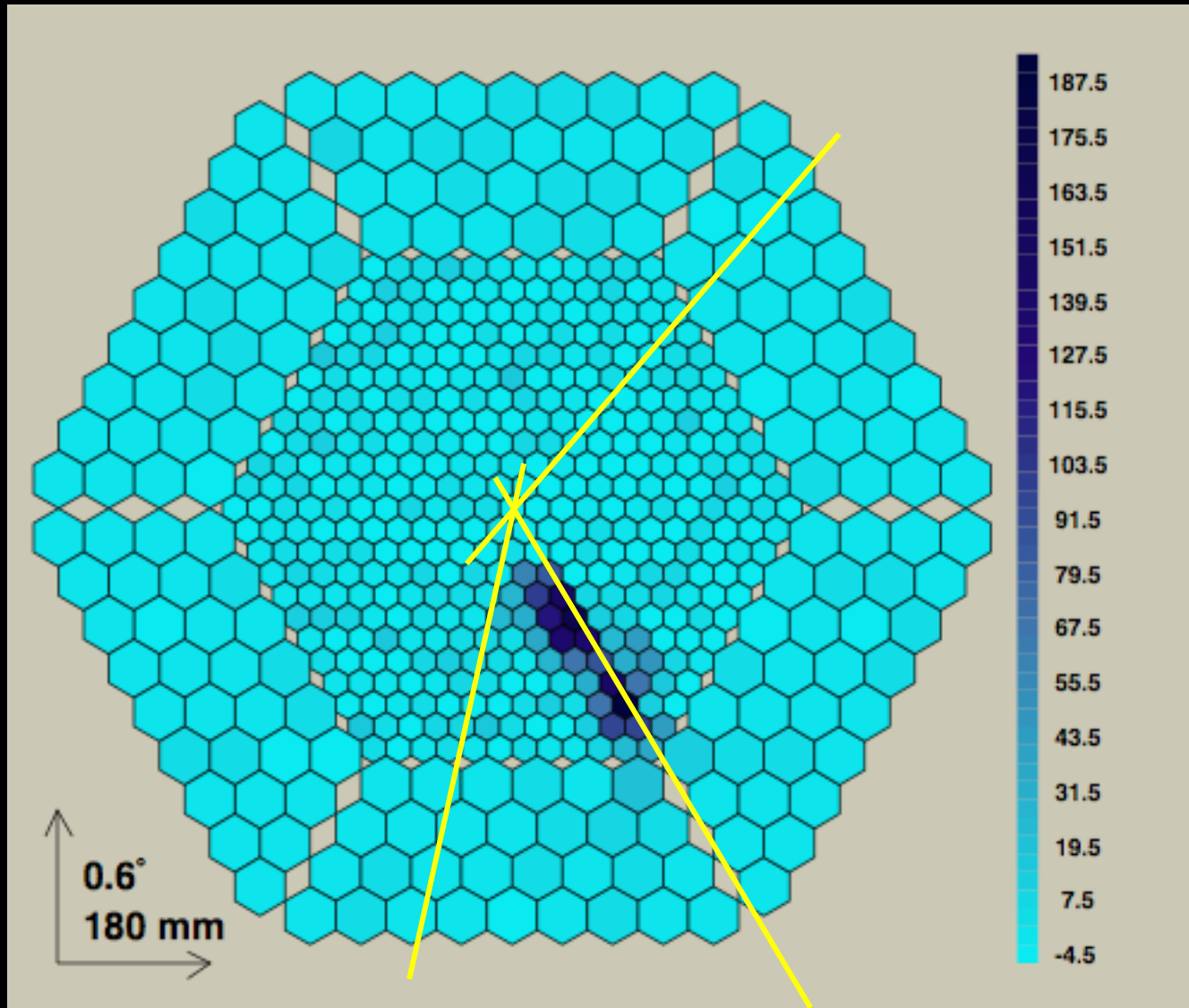


IACT - (MC) $E = 76 \text{ GeV}$, $b = 100 \text{ m}$



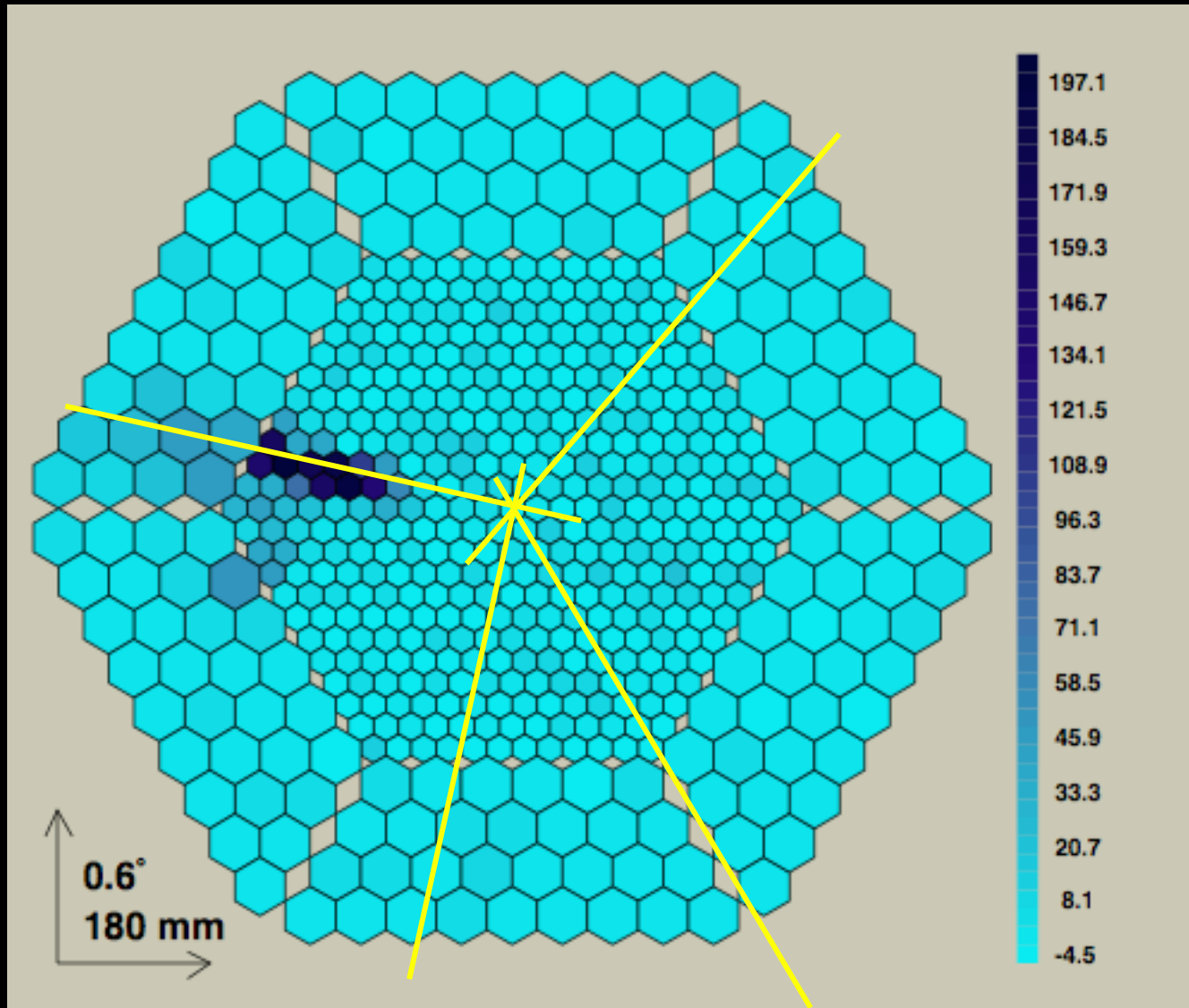


IACT - (MC) $E = 120 \text{ GeV}$, $b = 107 \text{ m}$



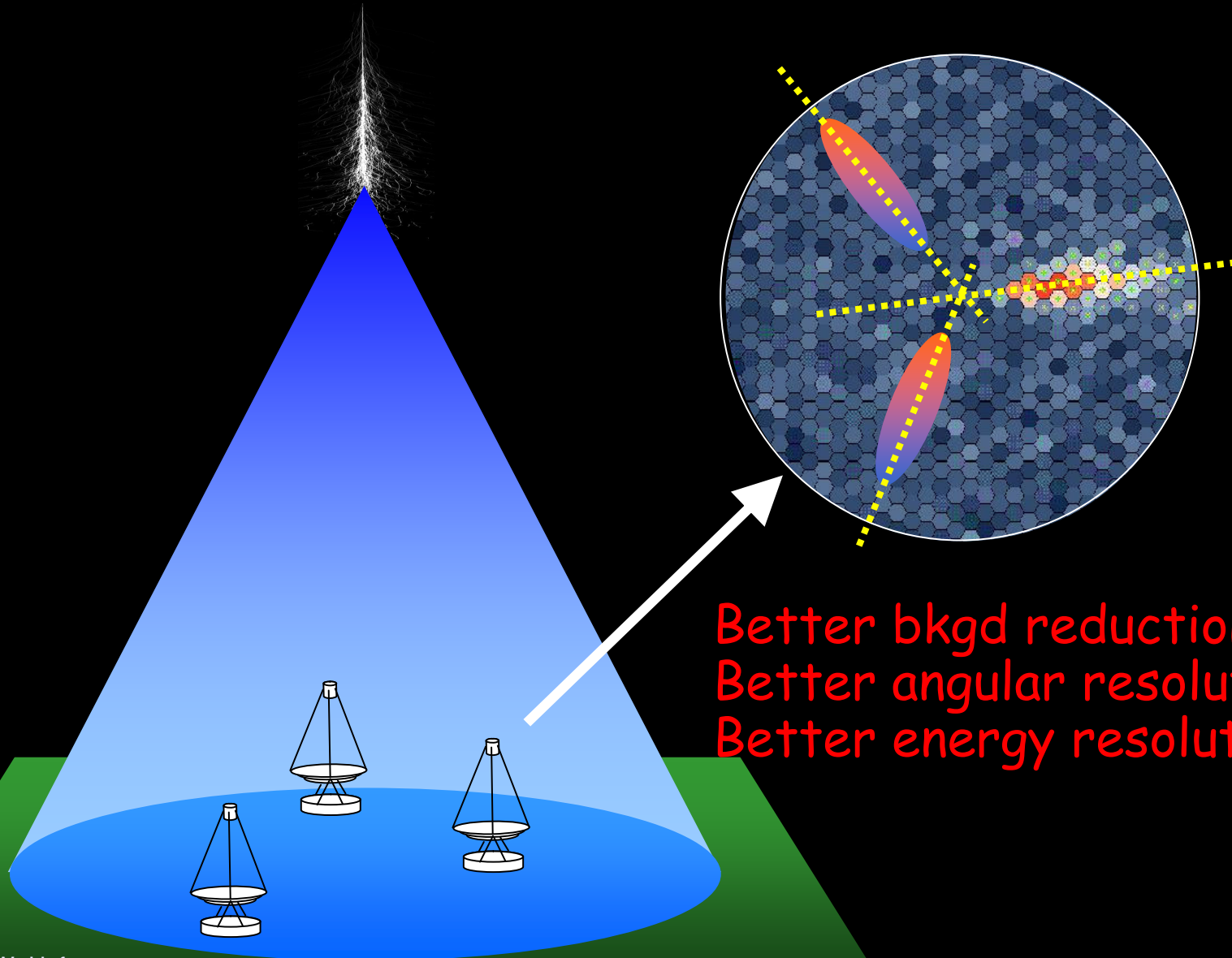


IACT - (MC) $E = 286 \text{ GeV}$, $b = 119 \text{ m}$





IACT - System of Cherenkov telescopes



Better bkgd reduction
Better angular resolution
Better energy resolution

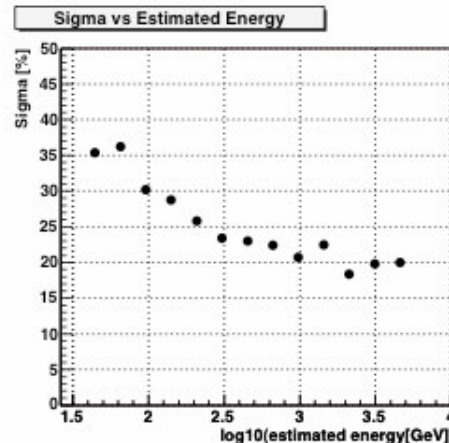
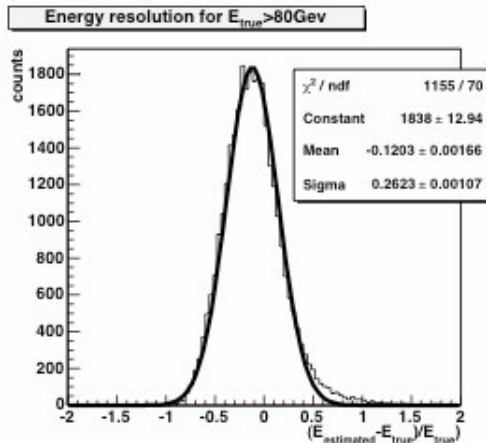
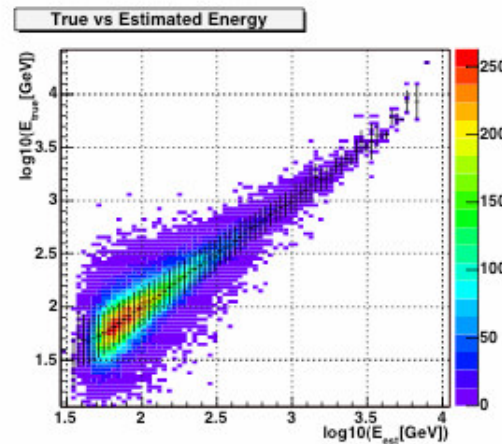


IACT - Energy resolution



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MC γ with cuts:
SIZE > 60phe
LEAKAGE < 0.1
0.3 < DIST < 1.1
Zd < 30 deg



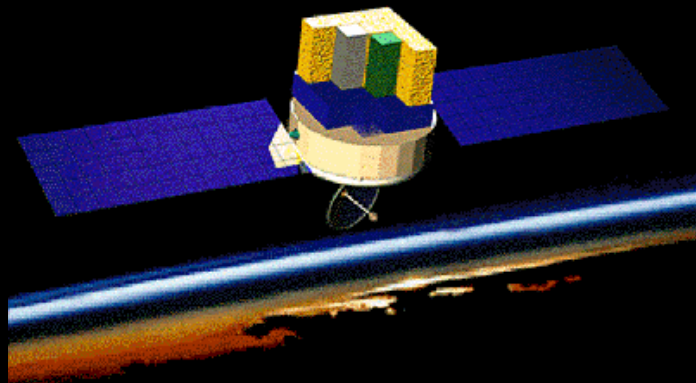
- The simpler estimator is **SIZE** (total number of ph/e)
- Better estimate introducing other image parms
- Optimisation via **Random Forest**
- 20% @ 1 TeV
30% @ 100 GeV



IACT - Satellites & Cherenkov

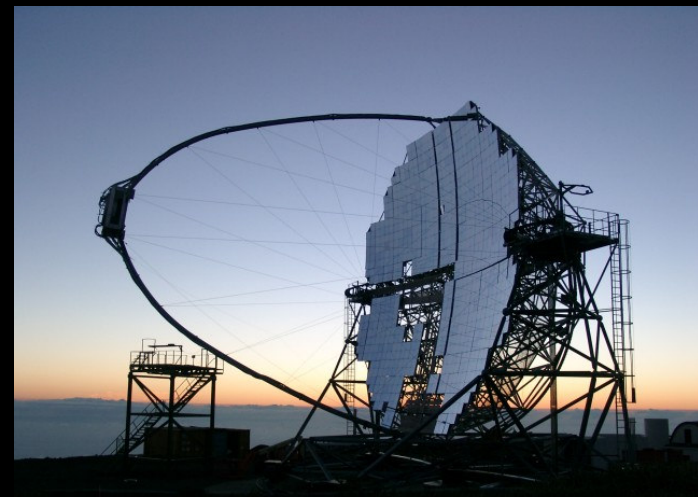
Satellite experiments

- Primary detection.
 - Test beam.
 - Low background.
- Energy $\lesssim 300$ GeV.
- Effective area $\sim \text{m}^2$
- Duty-cycle $\sim 100\%$.
- Field of view ~ 1 sr.
- High cost.



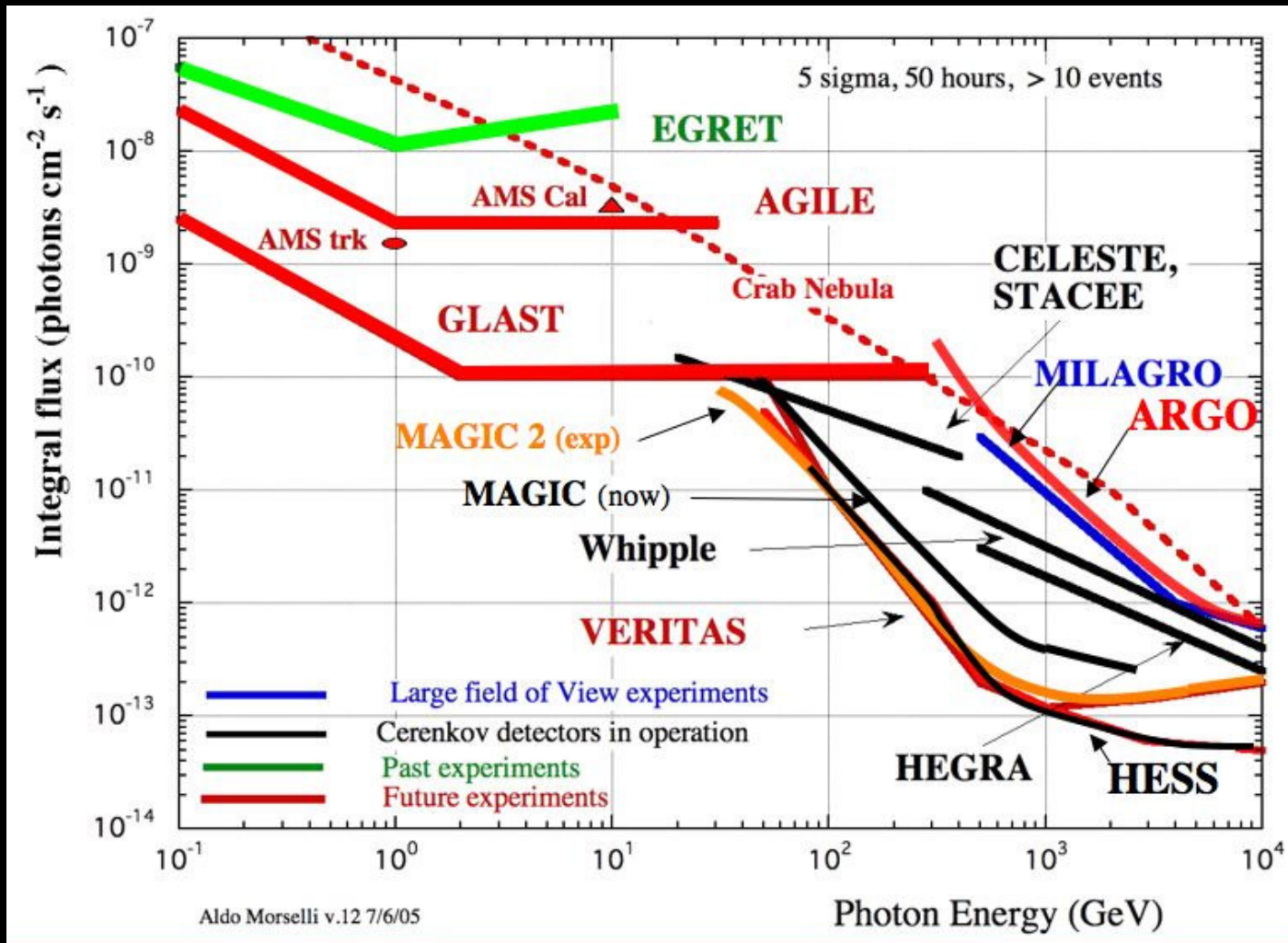
Cherenkov experiments

- Secondary detection.
 - Strong MC dependence.
 - High background.
- Energy $\gtrsim 60$ GeV.
- Effective area $\sim 10^{4-5} \text{m}^2$.
- Duty-cycle $\sim 20\%$.
- Field of view ~ 0.01 sr.
- Low cost.





IACT - Overall flux sensitivity





Cross calibration GLAST/MAGIC

Crab spectrum changes dramatically @ 100 GeV

The spc. feature - det. by GLAST - used to calib. MAGIC

⇒ reduction of absolute scale uncertainty (15÷30%)

Crab @30÷300 GeV seen by GLAST in 1st yr (survey mode)

E_{brk} fitted assuming the actual E resln. of GLAST

DB et al.
ApPhys 23 (2005)

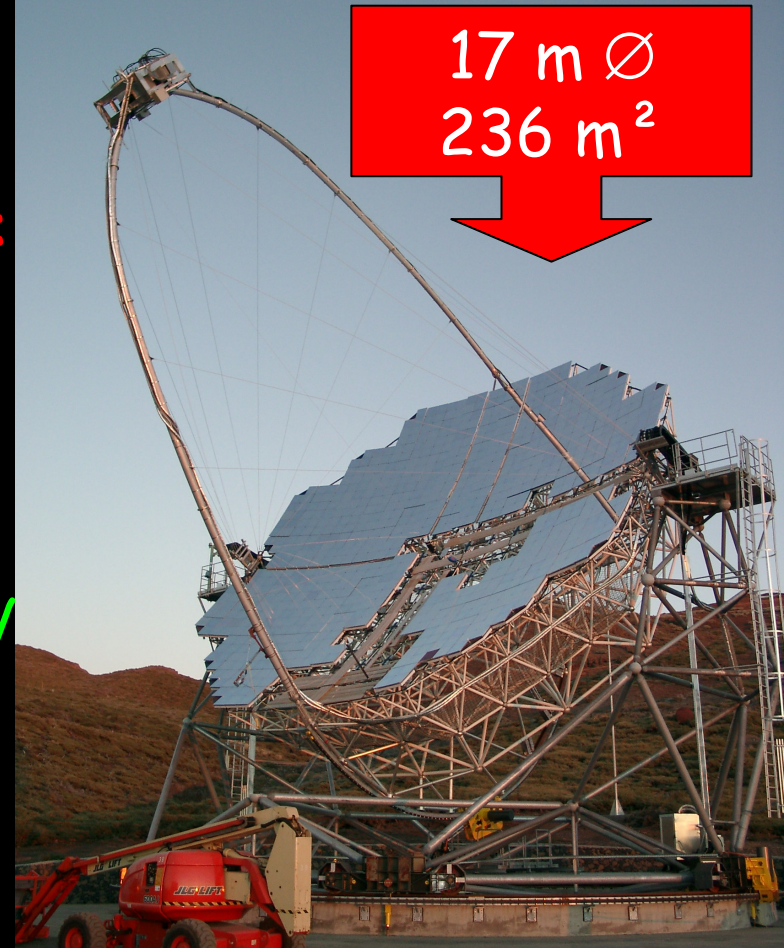
	E_{brk}	#phot seen by GLAST	$\delta E_{\text{brk}}/E_{\text{brk}}$		
			GLAST	MAGIC	MAGIC ⊕GLAST
• 90% efficiency					
• South Atlantic Anomaly	50	3763	6.2%	40%	26%
• Data downlink failures	100	3249	8.2%	37%	22%
• Scheduled maintenances	150	2988	12.7%	35%	22%
	200	2818	17.2%	34%	24%



MAGIC - La Collaborazione

IFAE Barcelona, UAB Barcelona, UCM Madrid, MPI München, U. Würzburg, HU Berlin, U. Dortmund, INFN/U. Padova, INFN/U. Siena, INFN/U. Udine, UC Davis, ETH Zürich, U. Lodz, INR Moscow, Tuorla Obs, Yerevan Ph. Inst., CrAO, U. Sofia.

- Scopo: studio sorgenti γ nella banda inesplorata: 30÷250 GeV
- Importanti traguardi tecnologici: piú grande riflettore, trigger topologico, stabilità meccanica e nuova elettronica.
- MAGIC è stato progettato per: bassa soglia energetica ~ 30 GeV puntamento rapido ~ 30 sec.
- 18 istituti, 11 nazioni: > 100 fisici.





MAGIC - Una visione d'insieme

La camera:

~ 1 m \varnothing , 3.5° FoV

– Regione interna: 396 PMT 1" \varnothing

– Anello esterno: 120 PMT 2" \varnothing

576 PMT (QE_{MAX} ~ 30%)

Puntamento rapido

– Struttura fibra di Carbonio

– Active Mirror Control

⇒ 20÷30 secondi

Trasmissione
analogica
su fibra ottica

Trigger a due livelli:

1° livello: coincidenza NN

2° livello: pattern recognition

300 MHz DAQ

Sup. riflettente:

236 m², F/1, 17 m \varnothing

– 964 specchi su 247 pannelli

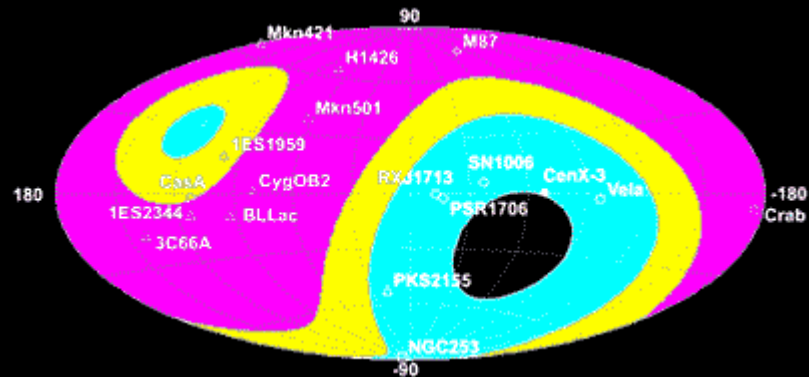
– Specchi dotati di sbrinatori

– Sistema laser/attuatori per AMC



MAGIC - Le osservazioni

- Molti run sulla Crab
 - » Sistematiche ancora incerte (Nebula sotto i 100 GeV)
- Molti run su Mkn421/501
 - » Orphan flare?
 - » ToO, osservazioni congiunte e multiwavelength
- μ QSO (LS I +61 303)
 - » Nuova classe di sorgente VHE
 - » Sorgente variabile!
- Centro Galattico
 - » Osservazione ad alto ZA ($>58^\circ$)
- Osservazione di GRB
 - » Sviluppo di una procedura completamente automatica per una risposta rapida ai ToO. Vedi osservazione GRB050713a
- Altri oggetti
 - » Extragalattiche: 1ES1959 @0.11 Crab, 1ES1218+304
 - » Galattiche: HESS1813-178, HESS1834-08

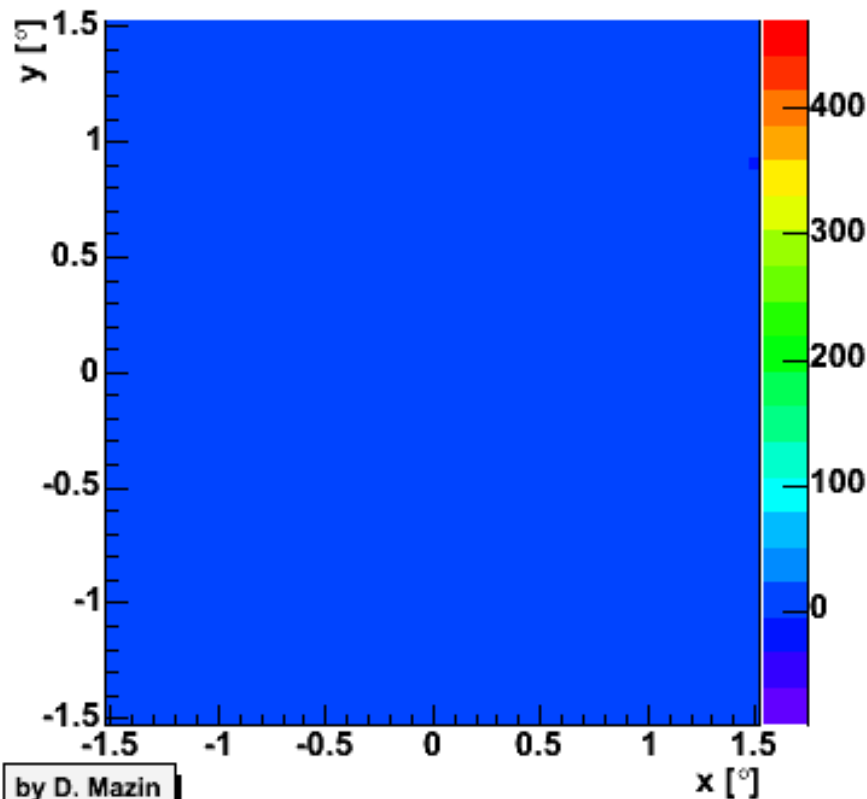




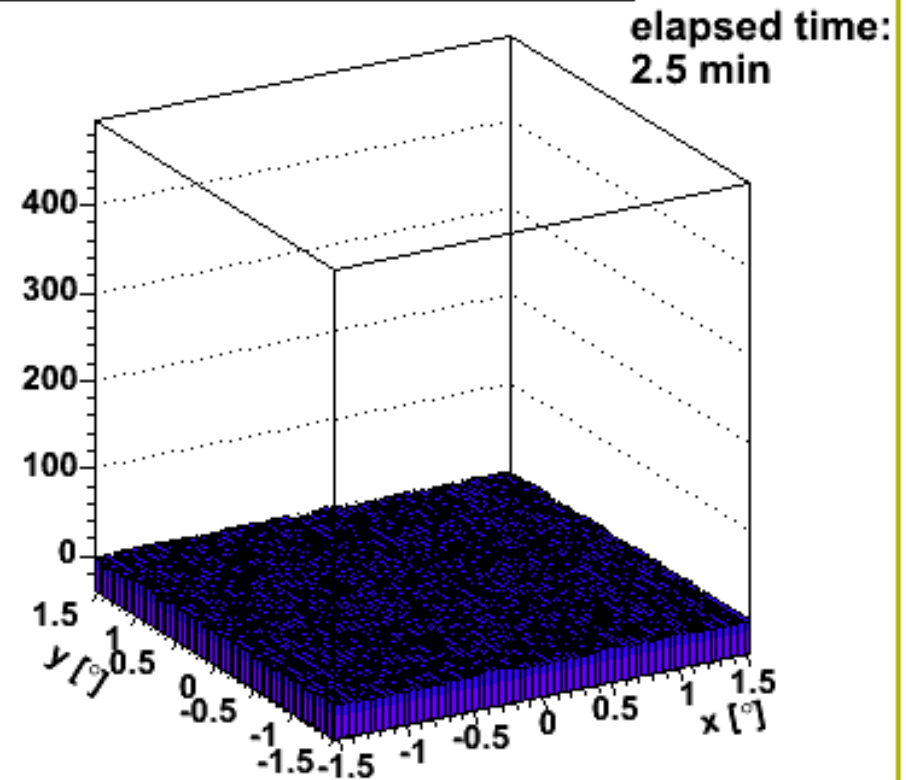
Crab signal in few hours of MAGIC data

γ event rate: ~ 1 Hz, after hadron rejection: ~ 0.5 Hz

Sky Plot of number of excess vs x, y



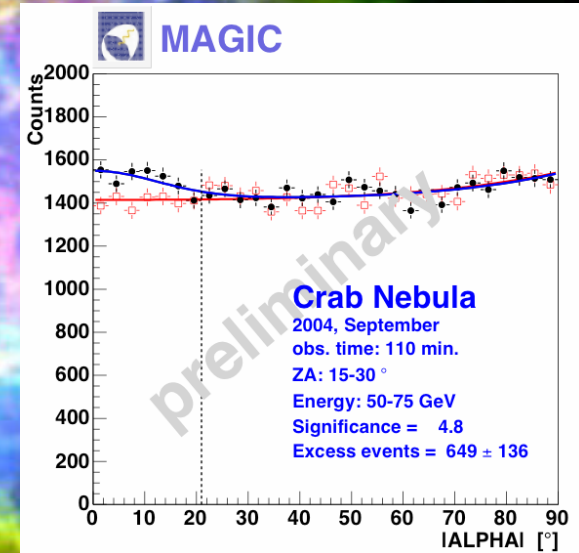
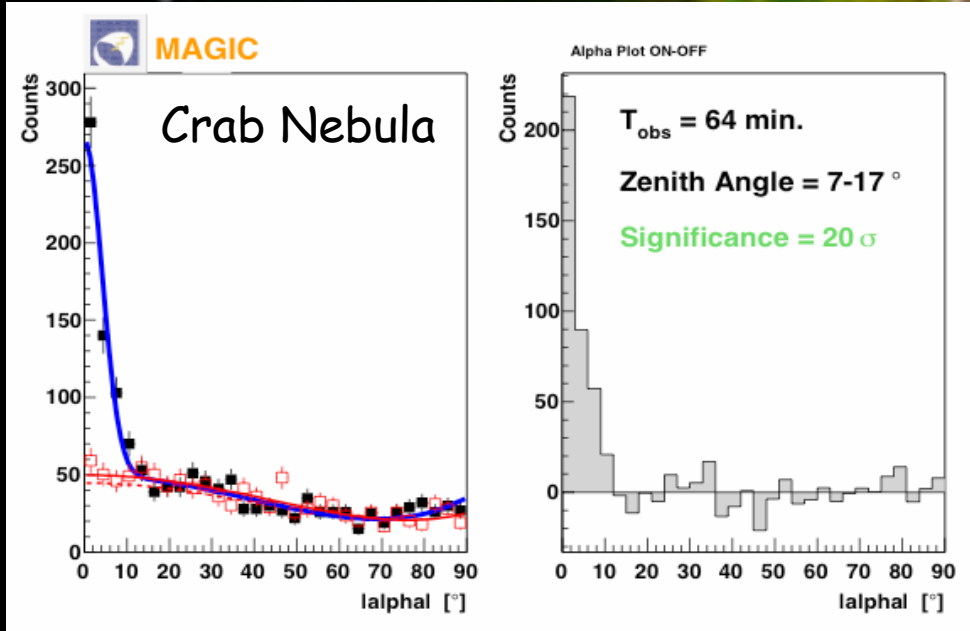
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MAGIC - La Crab: candela standard

Sorgente forte e stabile di γ GeV/TeV (Whipple '89).
Candela standard per tutti gli esperimenti di gamma astronomia



Li - Ma : $20\sigma \times \sqrt{\text{Time(h)}}$

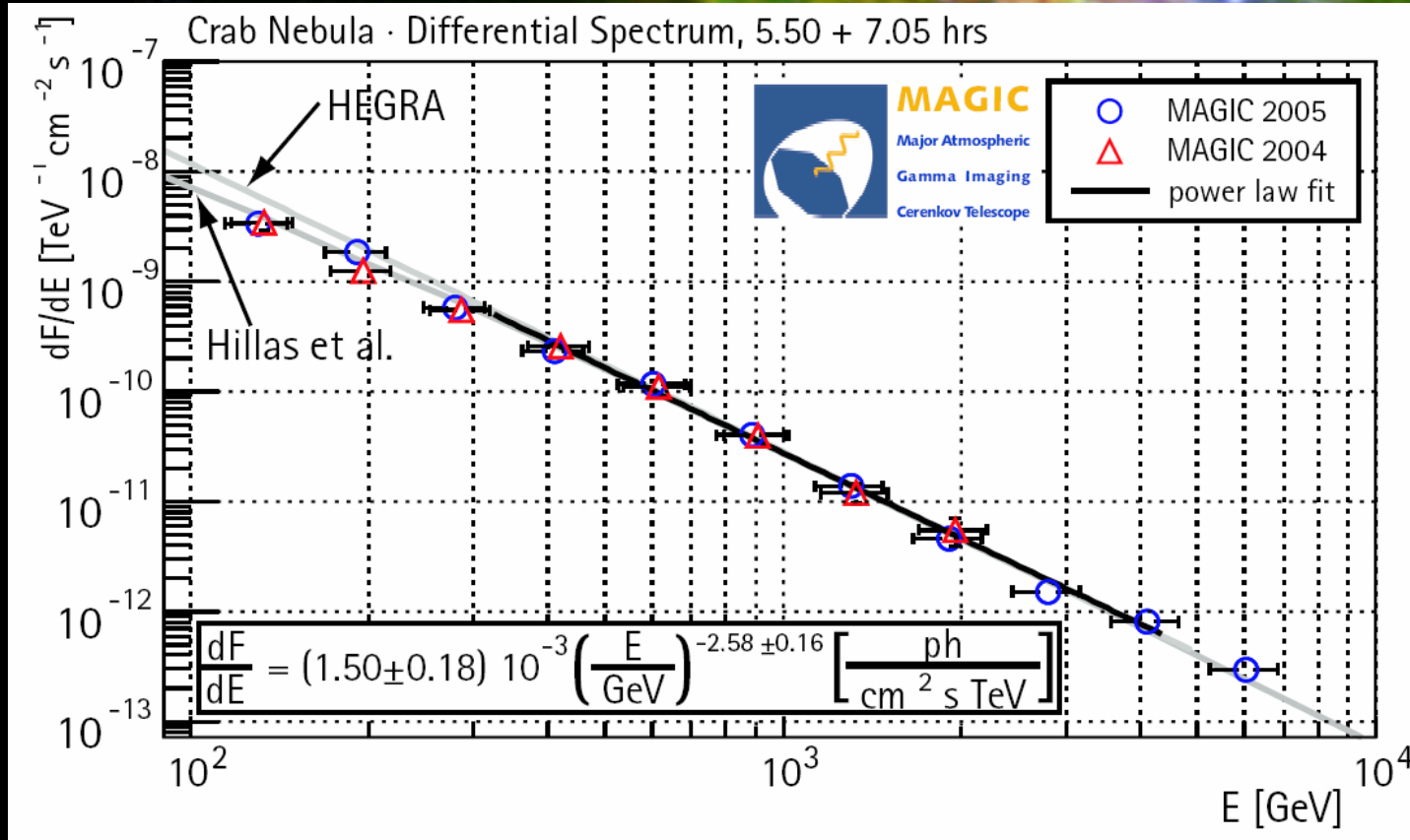
3% Crab a 5σ in 50 ore

Sotto i 100 GeV serve piú tempo di osservazione. In 2 ore, comunque, è stato osservato un segnale significativo nel bin 50÷75 GeV.



MAGIC - La Crab: spettro energetico

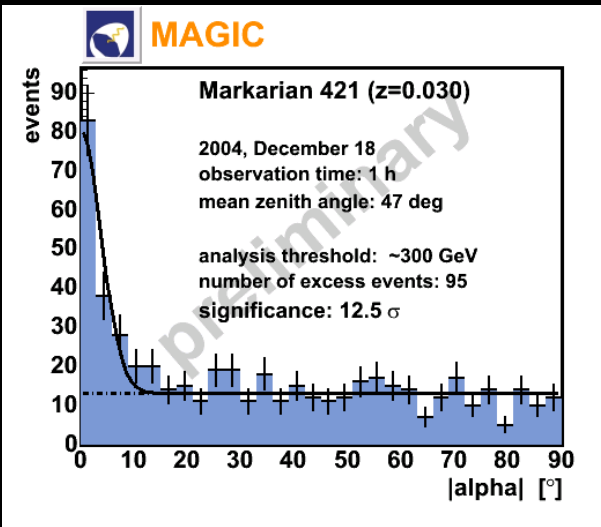
Verso il picco del Compton inverso



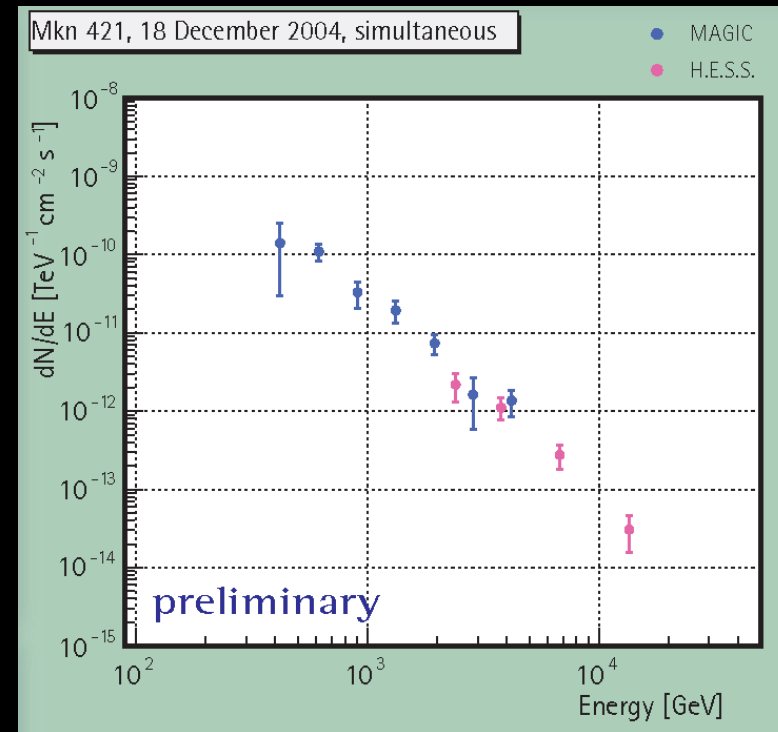
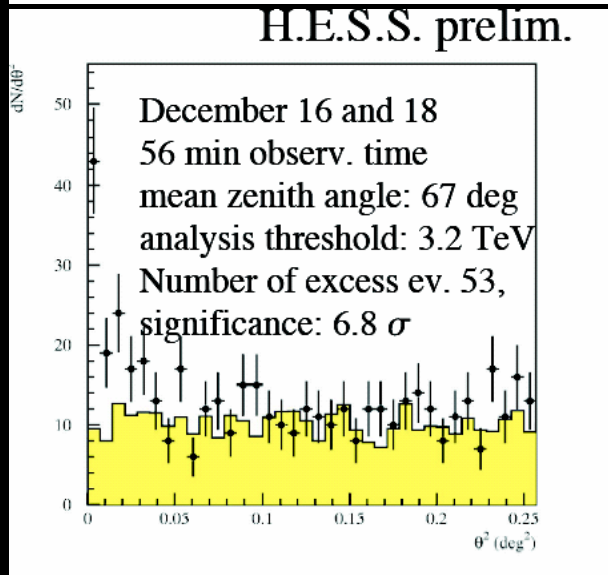
Ancora qualche dubbio sugli errori sistemati sotto i 100 GeV



MAGIC - Mrk421 (z=0.030)



- Dicembre 2004: flare osservato da RXTE
- Flusso ~ 1 Crab @ 300 GeV- (14 ore, $>40\sigma$)
- 18/12/04: Osservaz. simultanea con HESS
 - Mutua calibrazione
 - ZA diversi \Rightarrow diverse energie



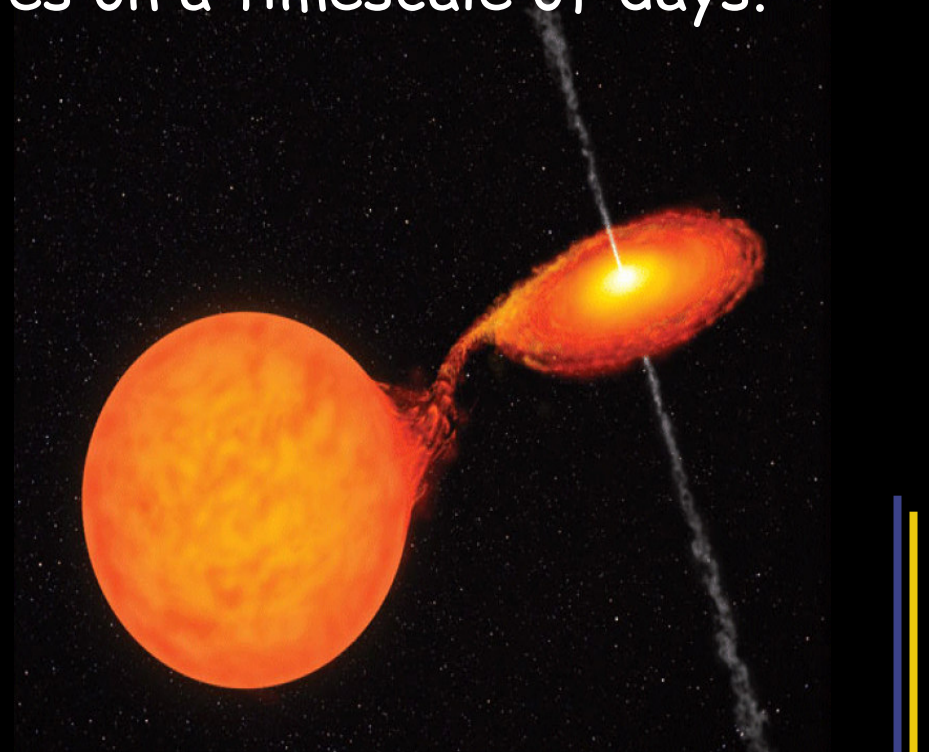


MAGIC - μ QSO LS I +61 303

A compact object (BH/NS) orbiting around a massive star. The star "powers" the accretion disk of the compact object. Scaled down version of QSO, very helpful to study jet dynamics, that for μ QSO evolves on a timescale of days.

- Matter falling into the compact object is ejected via relativistic jets.
- LS I +61 303:
a NS orbiting around the massive star every 26 days.

J. Albert et al. (MAGIC)
Science 18/5/2006





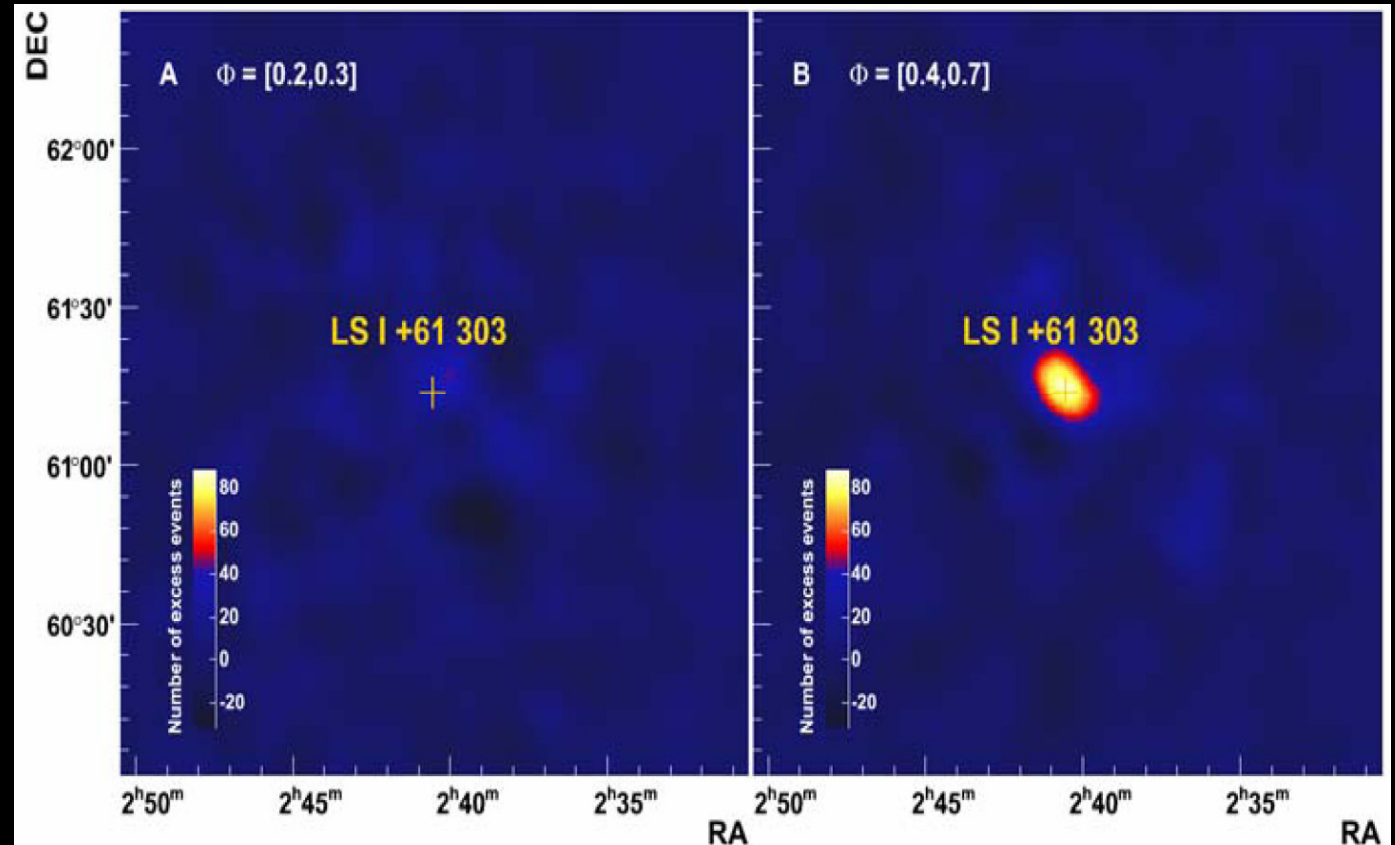
MAGIC - μ QSO LSI +61 303 (data)

Observed between Oct. 2005 and March 2006

Left: near periastron

Right: 1/3 of an orbit away

γ emission:
a feature of
 μ QSO ?

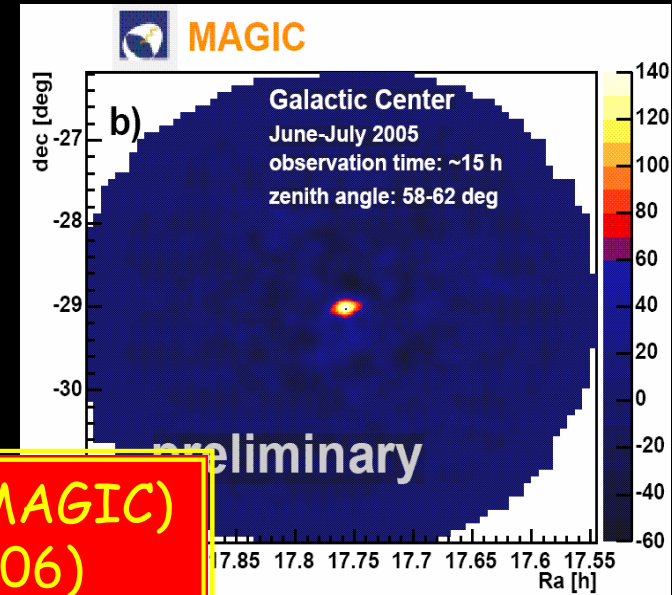


VHE emission: interaction between the two bodies

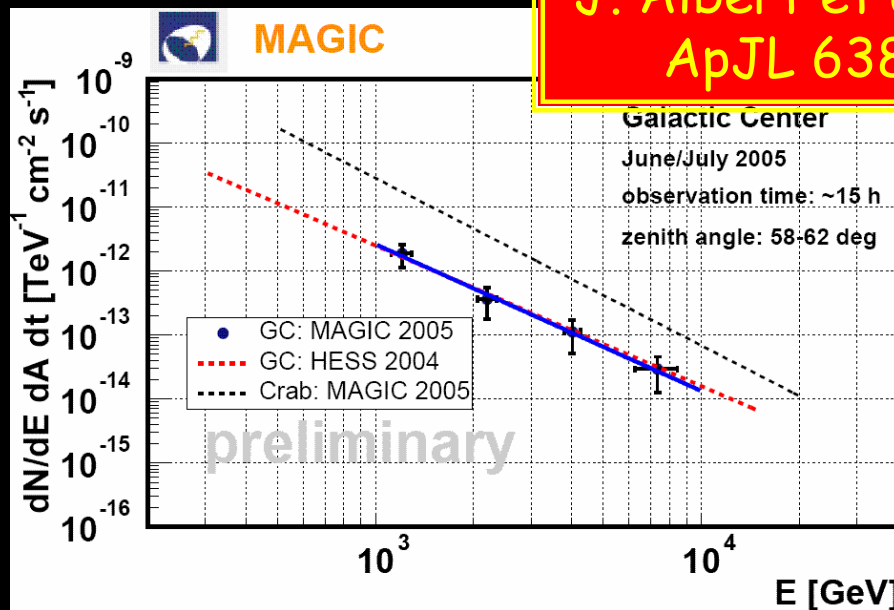


MAGIC - Centro Galattico

- Osservazione ad alto angolo zenitale (58° - 62°)
- Giu/Lug 2005 ~15 h
- Alte energie (> 1 TeV)
- 167 evt. eccesso, 6σ



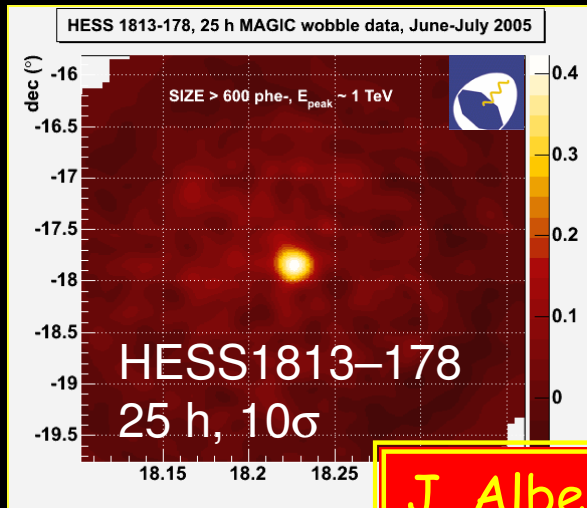
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Buon accordo HESS-MAGIC.
- spettro di potenza: 2.3 ± 0.4
(nessuna annichilazione DM)
- sorgente non variabile
(nessuna emiss. BH centrale)

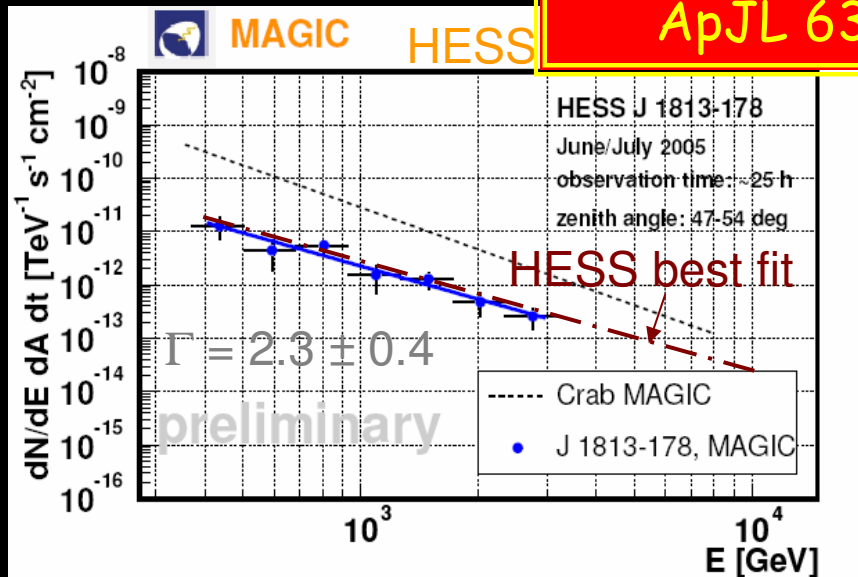
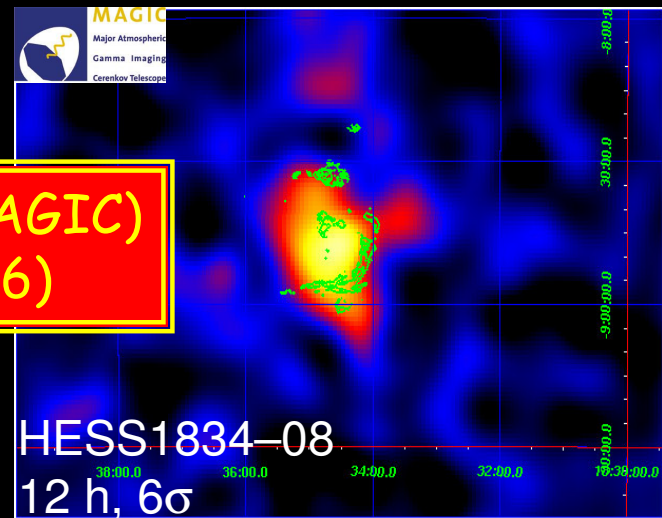


MAGIC - HESS1813, HESS1834



Conferma di due sorgenti (SNR) scoperte da HESS durante la loro osservazione del piano galattico.

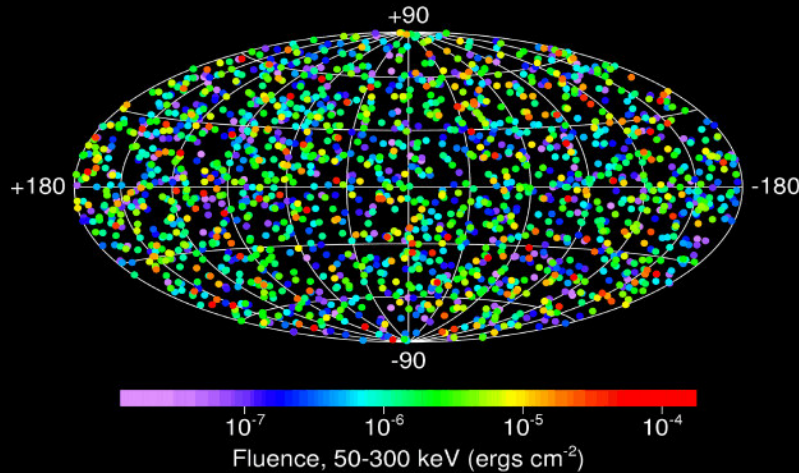
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In sovrapposizione: contorni radio (20 cm VLA) della SNR G23.3-0.3 (White, Becker & Helfand, 2005)

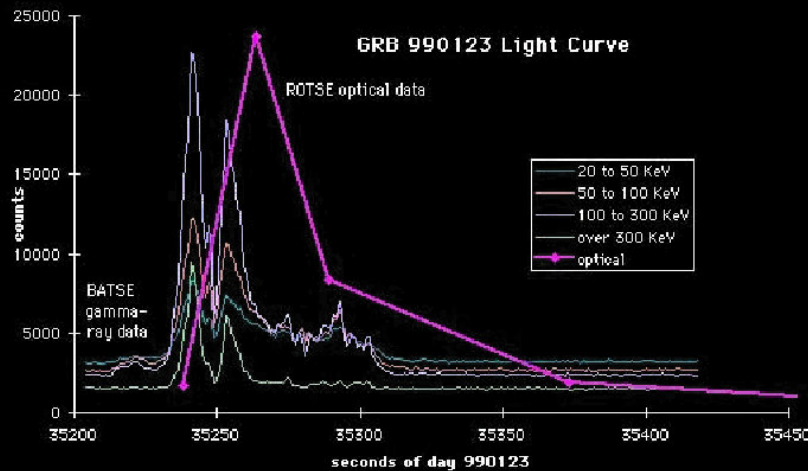


MAGIC - Gamma Ray Bursts



- ?? Where do they come from?
- ?? How do they account for such huge energy releases?
- ?? How do their spectra look like?

⇒ **Multiwavelength study!**



GeV studies possible if:

- fast repositioning ~20 s.
- low E threshold ~50 GeV.

⇒ **both available in MAGIC.**

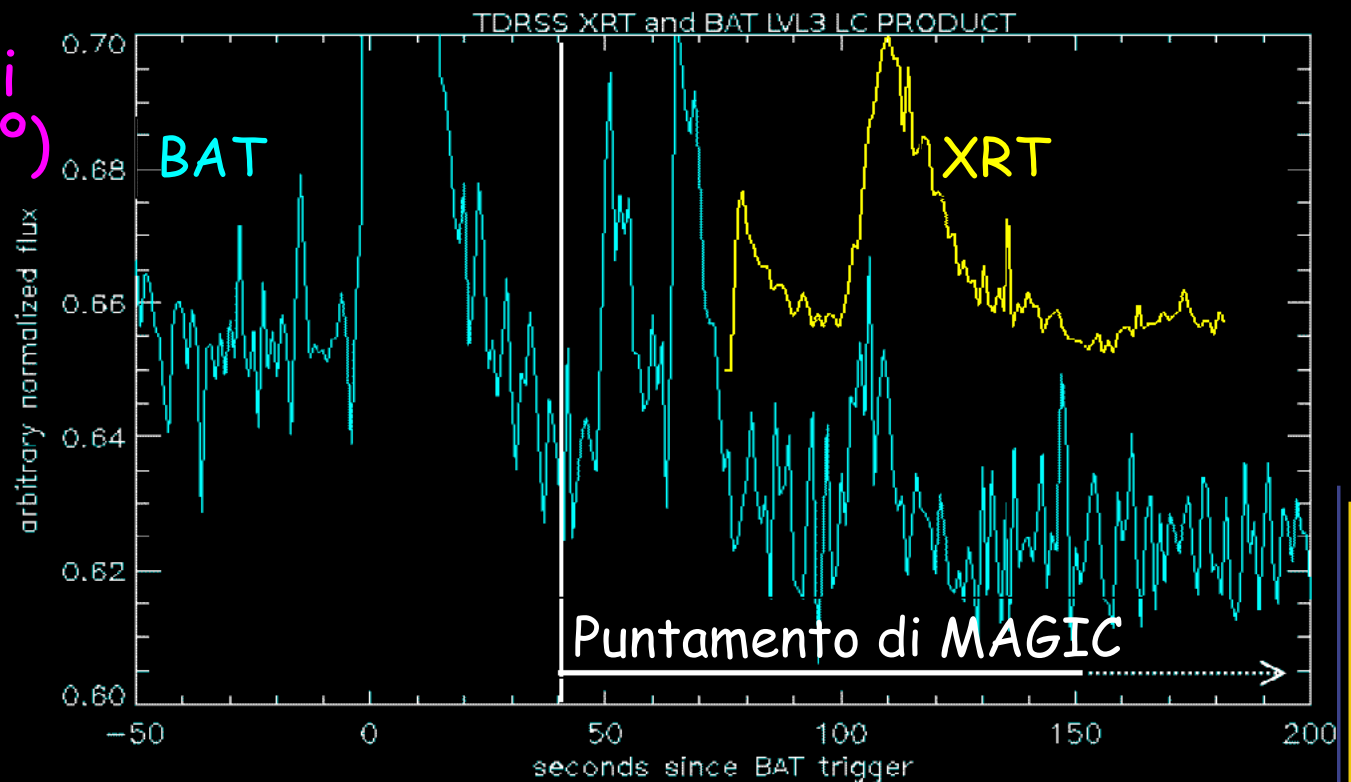


MAGIC - GRB 050713a

Il 13 Luglio 2005 MAGIC ha puntato un GRB dopo soli 40s dall'evento, 13s dopo l'allarme trasmesso da SWIFT.

Flusso del GRB050713A secondo SWIFT

- Buone condizioni osservative (49°) e meteo.
- Prime analisi: nessun segnale > 170 GeV
- Vincoli per i modelli GRB



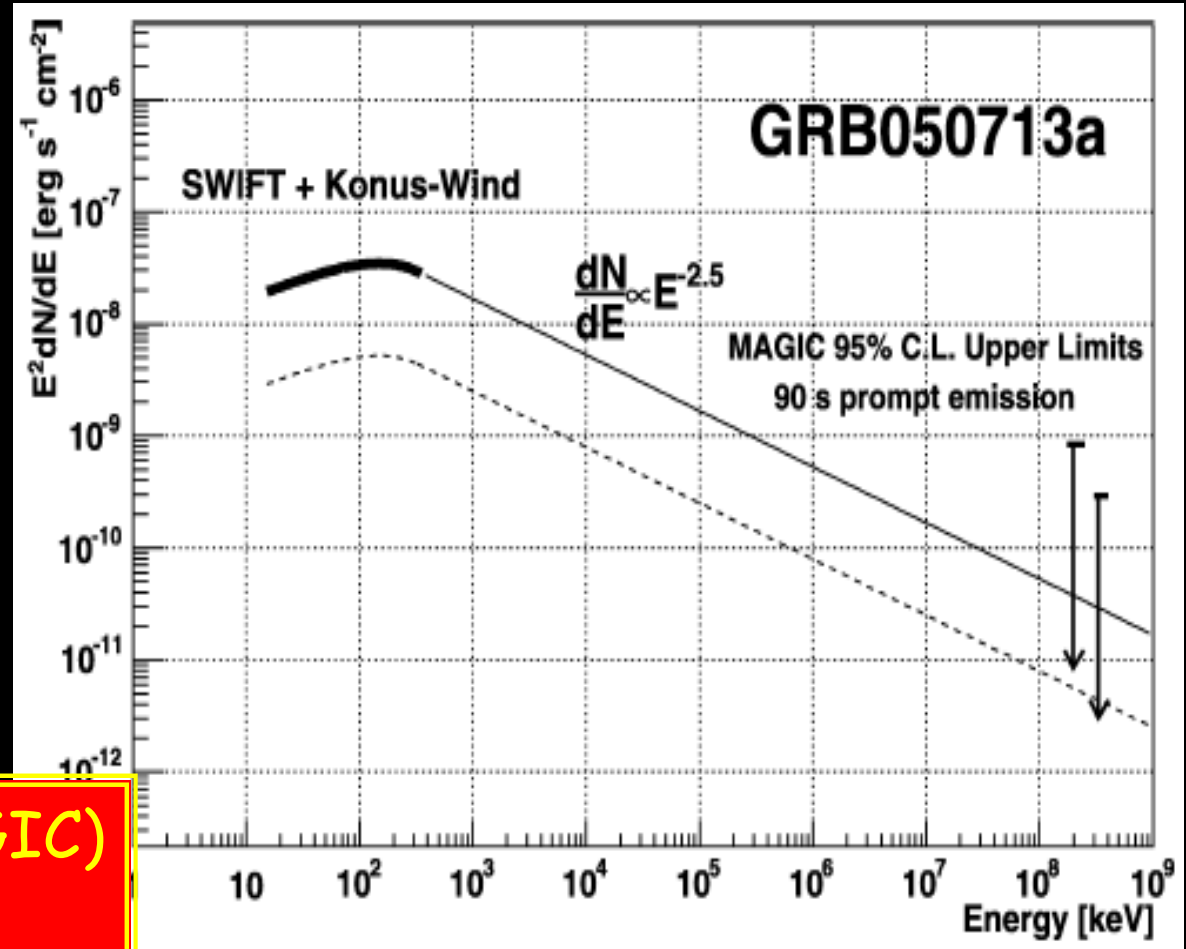


MAGIC - GRB 050713a (data)

Upper limits set by MAGIC with no redshift correction.

Solid line:
flux measured by
Swift averaged
over the T90.

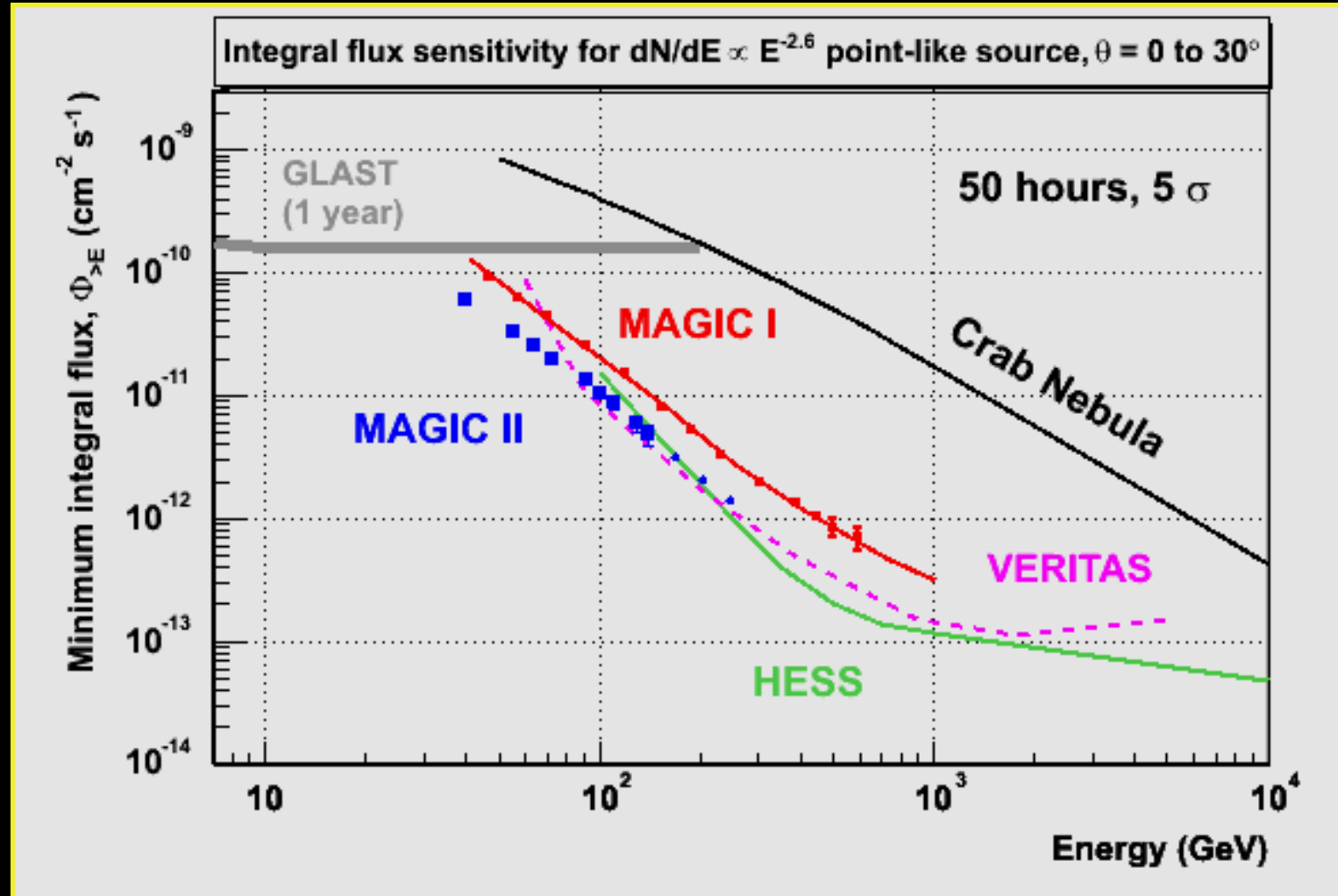
Dashed line:
fraction of flux
emitted between
[T₀+40s, T₀+130s]



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The future - MAGIC II





Conclusions

As many new VHE sources discovered in the last year as in the last 20 years
...and likely many more coming !!

The new generation of Cherenkov telescopes is yielding outstanding results, even beyond expectations.

VHE γ -installations are now more astronomical obs. rather than simple expt.

VHE is a new observable band of astronomy.

The future: MAGIC II

- to increase flux sensitivity
- to reduce energy threshold
- equipped with 2GS/s FADC
(\rightarrow now comm. phase on MAGIC I)
- detector with higher QE

