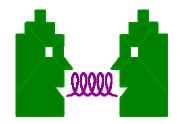
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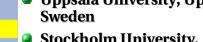
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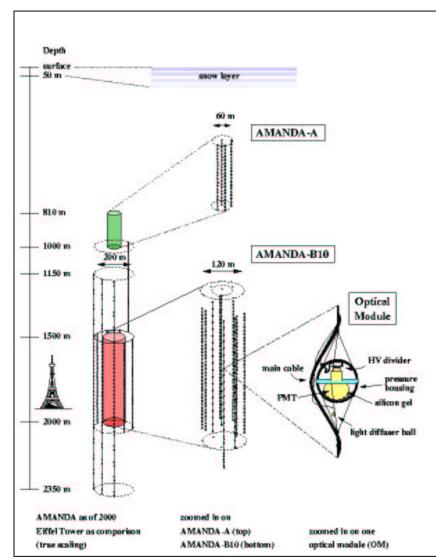
#### The South Pole Site



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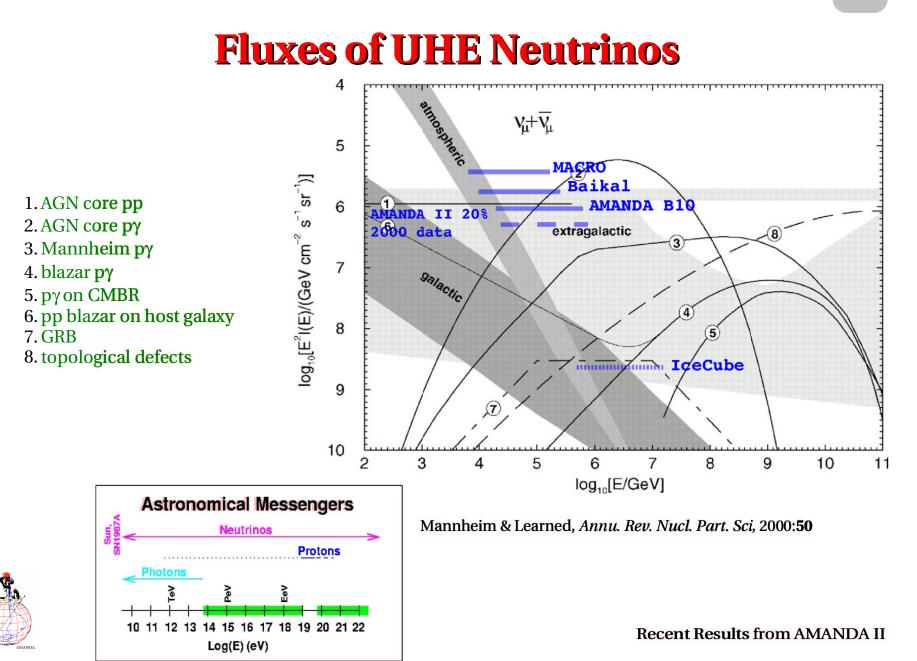
#### **The AMANDA Neutrino Telescope**



- ≻ 677 OMs deployed along 19 strings
  - ➤ 10 strings 1997 (AMANDA B10)
  - ➤ + 3 strings 1998 (AMANDA B13)
  - > + 6 strings 2000 (AMANDA II)
- Located < 1 km from South Pole</p>
- ≻ Mean depth = 1730 km
- 200 m diameter, 500 meters height; AMANDA II encompasses 20 Mton instrumented ice volume!
- 1.5 billion muons/year largest astrophysical detector in the world

AMANDA B10 was the 1<sup>st</sup> underice detector to extract HE neutrino astrophyics – AII is competent successor that has been streamlined in many aspects.





## **Status of AMANDA Analyses**

- 1997 analyses completed
  - Published results
    - Atmospheric neutrinos
    - WIMPs
    - Supernova search
  - Submitted
    - Cascades (CC e, tau, NC muon)
    - Point sources
  - Under internal review
    - GRBs
- 1998 dataset (AMANDA B10): problems with first pass filtering; currently redoing
- 1999 dataset (AMANDA B10): filtering completed, analyses underway

- 2000 dataset (AMANDA II): filtering completed, analyses underway
  - Status of 2000 analyses...
    - Atmospheric neutrinos (100%)
    - HE diffuse neutrinos (20%)
    - HE point source search (time scrambled data)
    - Neutrino-induced cascades (20%)
- 2001 dataset: filtering to be completed this summer.
- 2002 dataset: online filtering being done at Pole in realtime /w/ ~ 75% efficiency mu w.r.t. offline filtering. Filtered data promptly avail. in NH via satellite.

All analyses post-1997 are *blind* so that we do not bias ourselves toward (or away from) signals.



# **AMANDA B10 Results**



Recent Results from AMANDA II

#### **B10 Results – Atmospheric Neutrinos**

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- Atmospheric neutrinos separated from CR by up-going signature
- B10 measurement based on 130.1 days livetime

 $N_{DATA} = 204$  events  $N_{MC} = 279 \pm 3$  events

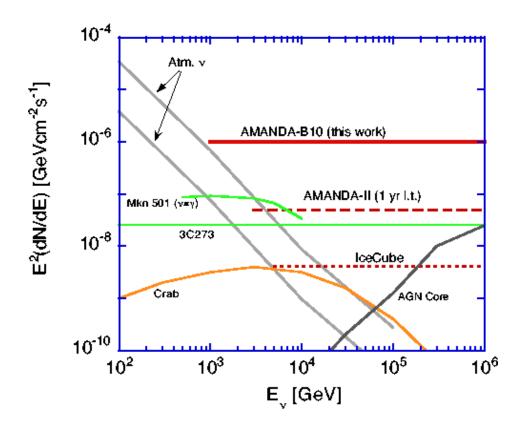
- Data, MC normalized in plot
- Background contamination estimated 5-10%.

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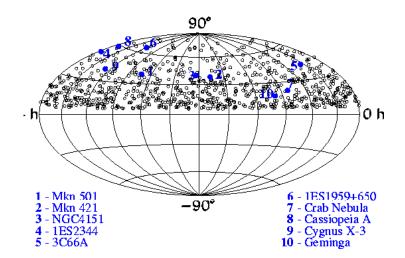
#### **B10 – Point Sources**





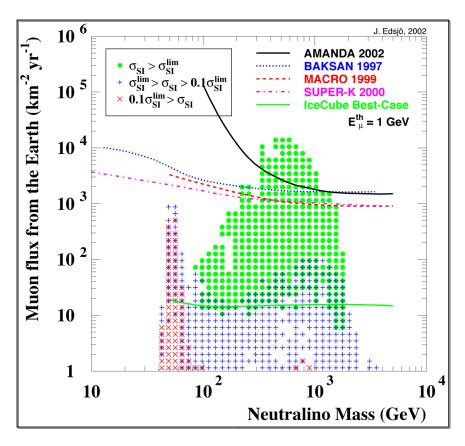


- Northern hemisphere skyplot divided into 154 bins (11° in zenith, var. in azimuth)
- Looser cuts than atmospheric neutrino analysis increases detector sensitivity.
- 815 events remain



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#### **B10 – WIMPs from the Earth's Center**

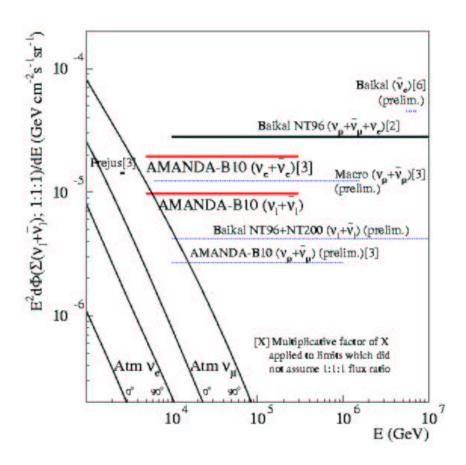


- Signal : excess of upgoing muons in restricted zenith range (θ > 165°) about the nadir.
- Recent direct search by EDELWEISS (astro-ph/0206271) puts severe constraints on WIMPs from the Earth.

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#### **B10 – Cascade Results**



Submitted to PRD

 Cascade is generic term for EM and/or hadronic shower

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- Electron neutrinos (CC+NC) ۲
- Tau neutrinos (CC+NC)
- Muon neutrinos (NC muon is not visible)
- 3-flavor search
- Analysis requires full reconstruction of cascade vertex, energy.
- Threshold energy 4 TeV due to strong background cuts



astro-ph/0206487

## AMANDA II – Year 2000



Recent Results from AMANDA II



## AMANDA II vs B10

#### The AMANDA II detector has several advantages over AMANDA B10:

- Larger effective area/volume (~ 4x)
- Better acceptance at horizon
  - Lower background from misreconstructions near horizontal
  - For PeV-scale muon neutrinos this is where majority of events are contained!
- Better angular resolution
- Better energy resolution
- AMANDA II has slightly higher energy threshold due to increase of multiplicity trigger (18 → 24 to keep data rate at ~ 100 Hz) but see later.
- Optical readout of AII channels gives increased photoelectron resolution we are beginning to fully exploit this with wavefrom readout of channels.





# **Muon Events in AMANDA II** Color displays: LE

## Downward-going cosmic-ray muon

Upward-going vinduced muon



### **Atmospheric Neutrino-Induced Muons**

- Starting with loose standard quality cuts, tighten cuts in discrete steps, examine data and MC
- Data/MC normalized at tightest cut level (Data/MC without normalizing ~ 150%)
- Good agreement from cut levels 4-8; data still contains unsimulated background at lower levels:
  - Detector effects (crosstalk, ...)
  - Ice structures





#### **A-II Atmospheric Nu (continued)**



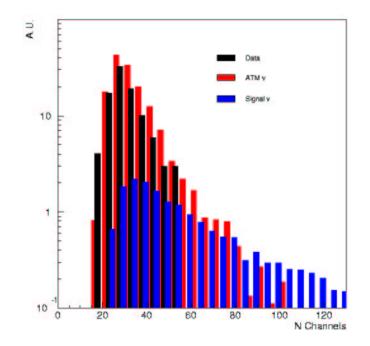
Distribution of candidate neutrino-induced muons versus cosinus of the zenith angle at cut level 4.

Distribution of N channels hits for candidate neutrino-induced muons at cut level 4. Note cut @ Nch < 50 to distinguish from diffuse HE signal.



#### **HE Diffuse Neutrino-Induced Muons**

- HE diffuse muon search for extragalactic neutrinos – assumes harder spectrum: source flux model is generic diffuse model,  $\Phi = 1.0E-06 E^{-2}$
- Background (ATM  $\nu$ ) suppressed by energy cuts: either simple N channel cut or linear hit density cut.
- Plot at right shows data (black), signal (blue), and background (red) from atmospheric neutrinos for 20% of data sample analysed (35 d).
- Data histogram above 50 channels has been intentionally obscured from view.

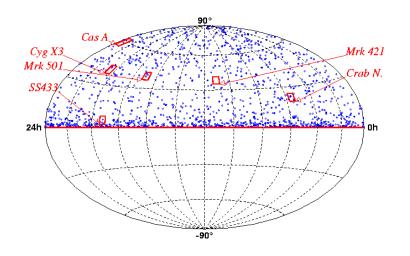


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• *PRELIMINARY* limit from 20% 2000 data (35 d):  $\Phi < 7E-07 E^{-2} cm^{-1} s^{-1} sr^{-1} GeV$ 



#### **Search for Point Sources**



- Skyplot of upward-going muons selected for point source analysis (N events). The azimuth has been randomized by scrambling the times.
- Angular resolution
  - AII: 1.5° 2.5° (zenith dependent)
  - B10: 3° 4°

Sensitivity estimates of this analysis for handful of selected point sources (locations shown in skyplot above).

Object	α[h]	δ [°]	$N_{km^2,yr}$	$\Phi_{\mu}$ 2000			$\Phi_\mu$ limit
			100	$Q_{cut}$	$N_{BG}$	expect. sens.	1997(a)
SS433	19.2	5.0	252	0.85	4.6	б.1	58.2
Cygnus X-3	20.5	41.0	4.8	0.85	1.1	1.7	6.2
Crab Nebula	05.6	22.0	-	0.8	1.6	2.9	21.0
Cassiopeia A	23.4	58.8	-	0.85	1.9	1.6	1.0
Markarian 421	11.1	38.2	<u></u>	0.8	1.5	1.9	5.8
Markarian 501	16.9	39.8	-	0.8	1.5	1.9	5.8

 $N_{km^2,yr}$ : predicted event numbers <sup>5</sup> per year and km<sup>2</sup>  $\Phi_{\mu}$ : expected sensitivities  $[10^{-15} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}]$  (1997 comparison: 90 % CL flux limit) Assumed  $E^{-2}$  spectrum – integral limits/sens.  $E_{\nu} > 10 \text{ GeV}$ 

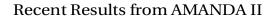


## **AMANDA II Cascades**

EM or hadronic showers – cascades – distinguish themselves from muons in pattern of light deposition in AMANDA: cascades create (very roughly) spherical distributions which can be approximated to eminate from a point source.

Cascades must be (semi) contained. However, looking for neutrinos in cascade channel still worthwhile:

- Cascades (especially double bang τ) have unique signature distinct from throughgoing muons
- Energy resolution for cascades necessarily superior to through-going muons because of contained event topology.



#### **A-II Cascades (continued)**



- Note acceptance over full sphere! This becomes an important feature, particularly at E > 100 TeV where earth absorption attenuates signal from lower hemisphere.
  Anticipated fluxes of
- d of AMANDA-II data):
  - ATM nu:  $0.15 \pm 0.1$
- Prompt charm:  $0.5 \pm 0.3$ Actual limit of astrophysical neutrinos from 20% of 200 data:  $\Phi < 4 \times 10^{-6} E^{-2} \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1} \text{ GeV}$

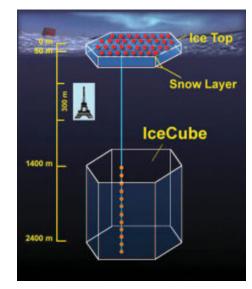


## **Future of AMANDA II**

- 2001 data processing begins this summer. 2002 data filtered at Pole in real-time.
- AMANDA II, now running since Feb. 2000, will continue to take data at least until IceCube fully constructed.
- This year, 48 optical channels outfitted with 100 MHz waveform readout. WF and "muon" DAQ information merged offline.
- Next year, entire detector will be instrumented with WF digitizers.
- 2005+: AMANDA DAQ integrated with IceCube / IceTop at global trigger level. AMANDA detector will initially be necessary for calibration of IceCube.

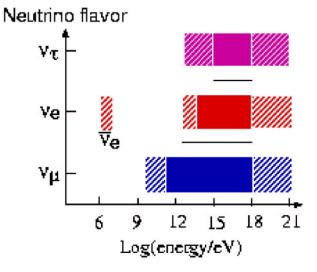


#### **IceCube: the next generation detector**



#### IceCube is two detectors:

- IceTop surface air shower array
  - 80 stations of two tanks each
  - Functions as stand-alone airshower detector and veto for IceCube.
  - 1 km<sup>2</sup> area
- Subsurface array of 80 strings
  - 60 (digital) OMs per string: 4800 OMs!
  - String spacing 125 m
  - 1 km<sup>3</sup> instrumented volume!
- IceCube is a *discovery* instrument for UHE/EHE astrophysical neutrinos.
- Figure at right gives IceCube sensitivity to neutrino flavors (shaded) and flavor discrimination (solid).



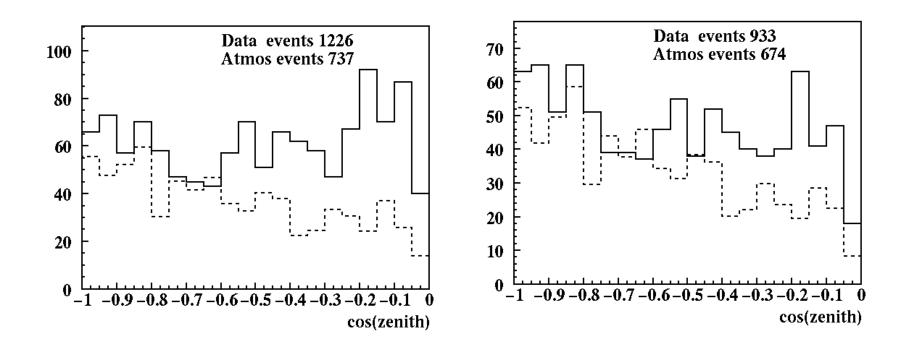


## **Conclusions**

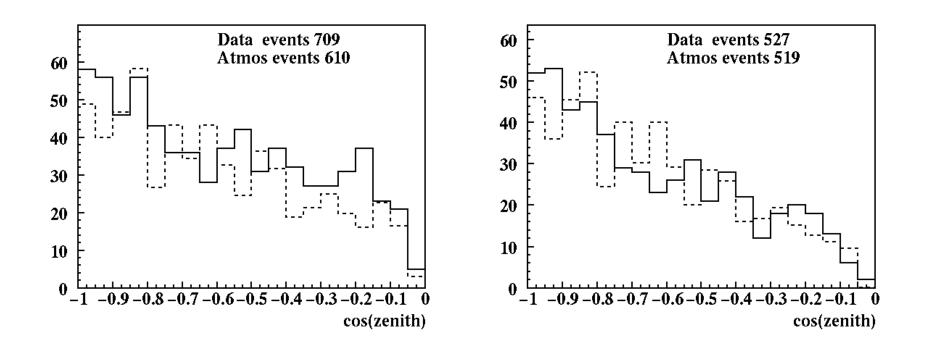
- \* AMANDA II detector is running data analysis for 2000 run season, the first after commissioning the last 6 strings, is well underway.
- \* 2001 data analysis will begin very soon transition from 2000 not that difficult since no major detector changes.
- \* 2002 data taking season the first to test out online filtering at Pole; it returns 4 ATM nu / day!
- \* Major hardware upgrade next year as AMANDA II moves to full waveform readout – this is in preparation to phase AMANDA into larger, next generation IceCube neutrino telescope (currently funded and in development phase).



#### **Cosine theta vs. cuts levels for ATM nu**

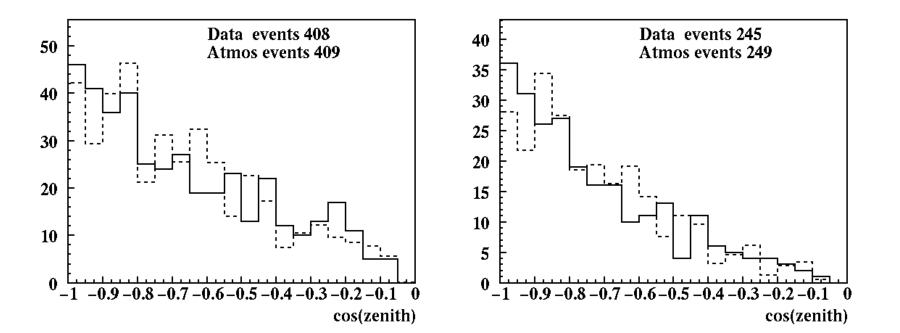






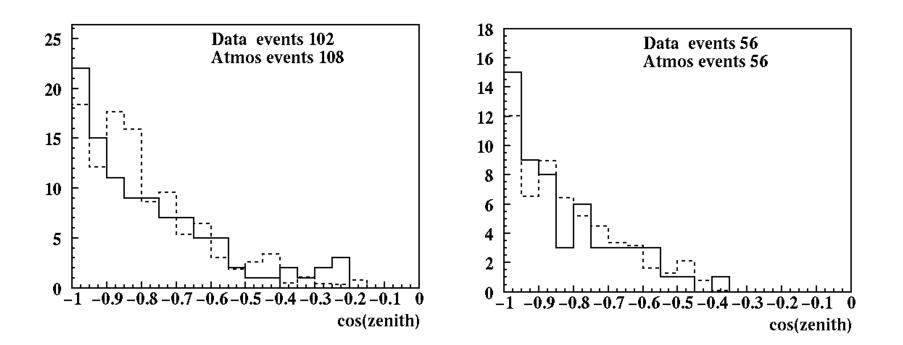


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### **Hot Water Drilling**

- AMANDA string design accomodates deployment strategy: drill 2 km holes with 192° F hot water
- Hole diameter 50 cm but varies v depth to correct for ice temperature profile.
- Drilling time 84 160 hoursfor AMANDA strings.
- IceCube drill Wotan will use thicker diameter hose to accomplish same job in 30 hours!



#### **Optical Module Deployment**

- After drill extraction, AMANDA strings containing
  - HV/electrical signal cable
  - Optical signal fibers
  - Optical calibration fibers are lowered into the holes
- Optical modules are attached in deployment shack as string is inserted.
- Whole process takes 15 20 hours from drill extraction.





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## **Optics in the Ice**

- Natural ice medium very clear below loose-packed firn layer (0-200 m from surface).
- Intense scattering due to bubbles down to 1500 m
- Below 1500 m, good ice properties:
  - Scattering length ~ 30 m
  - Absorption length ~ 100 m
- Difficult to do proper treatment of ice optics in montecarlo:
  - Ice layers simulated, but
  - Photons crossing layers are problem we are currently testing new code that handles this correctly.

