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# The Upgrade of the Pierre Auger Observatory

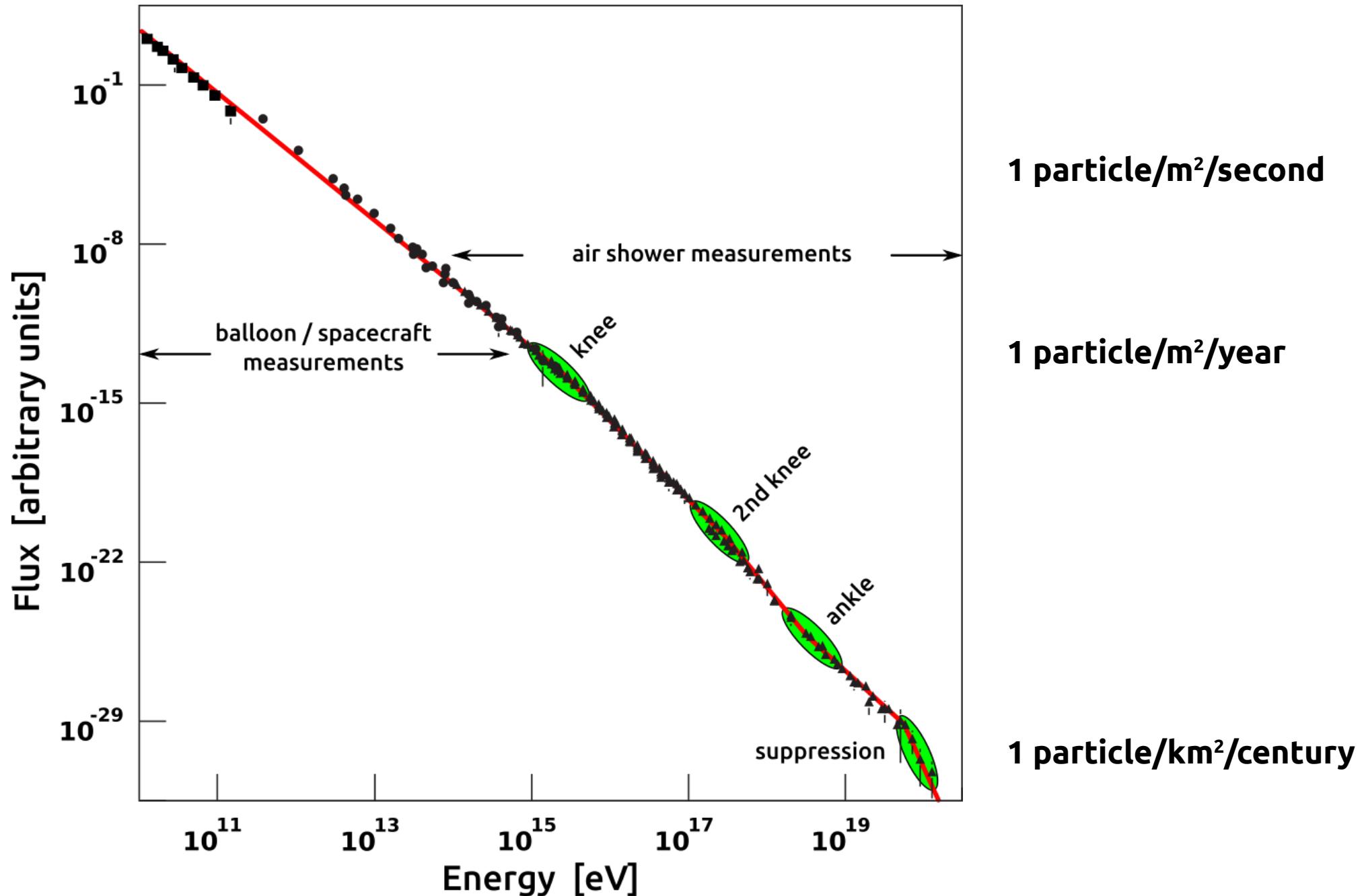
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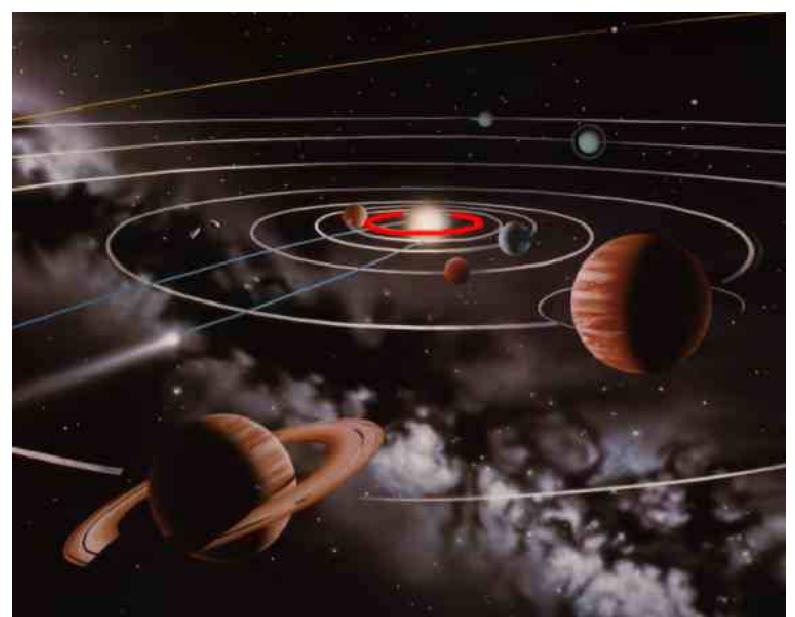
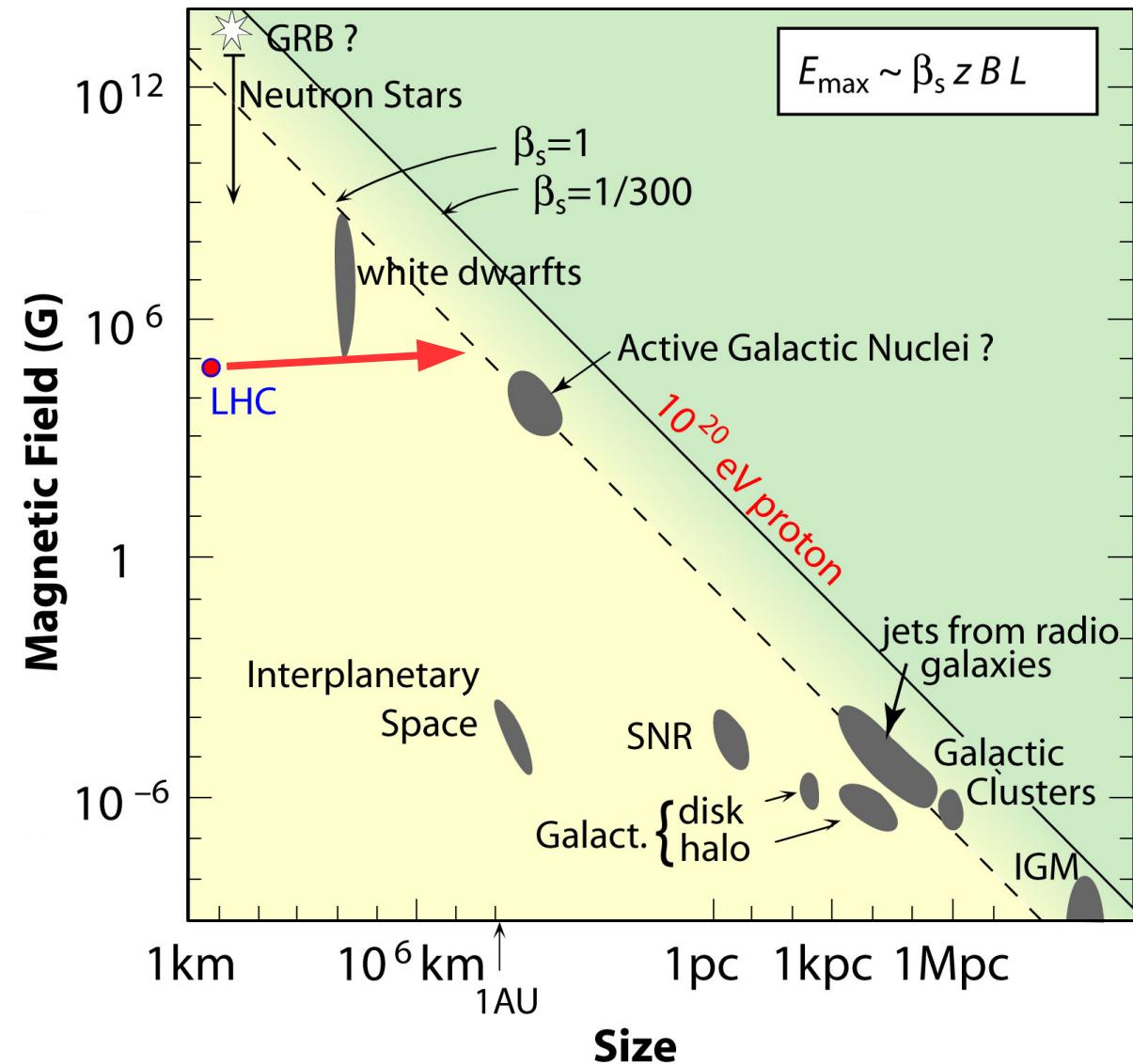
**for the Pierre Auger Collaboration**

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# Spectrum of Cosmic Rays

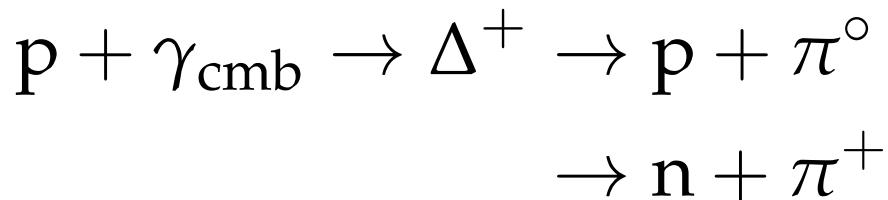


# Cosmic Accelerators

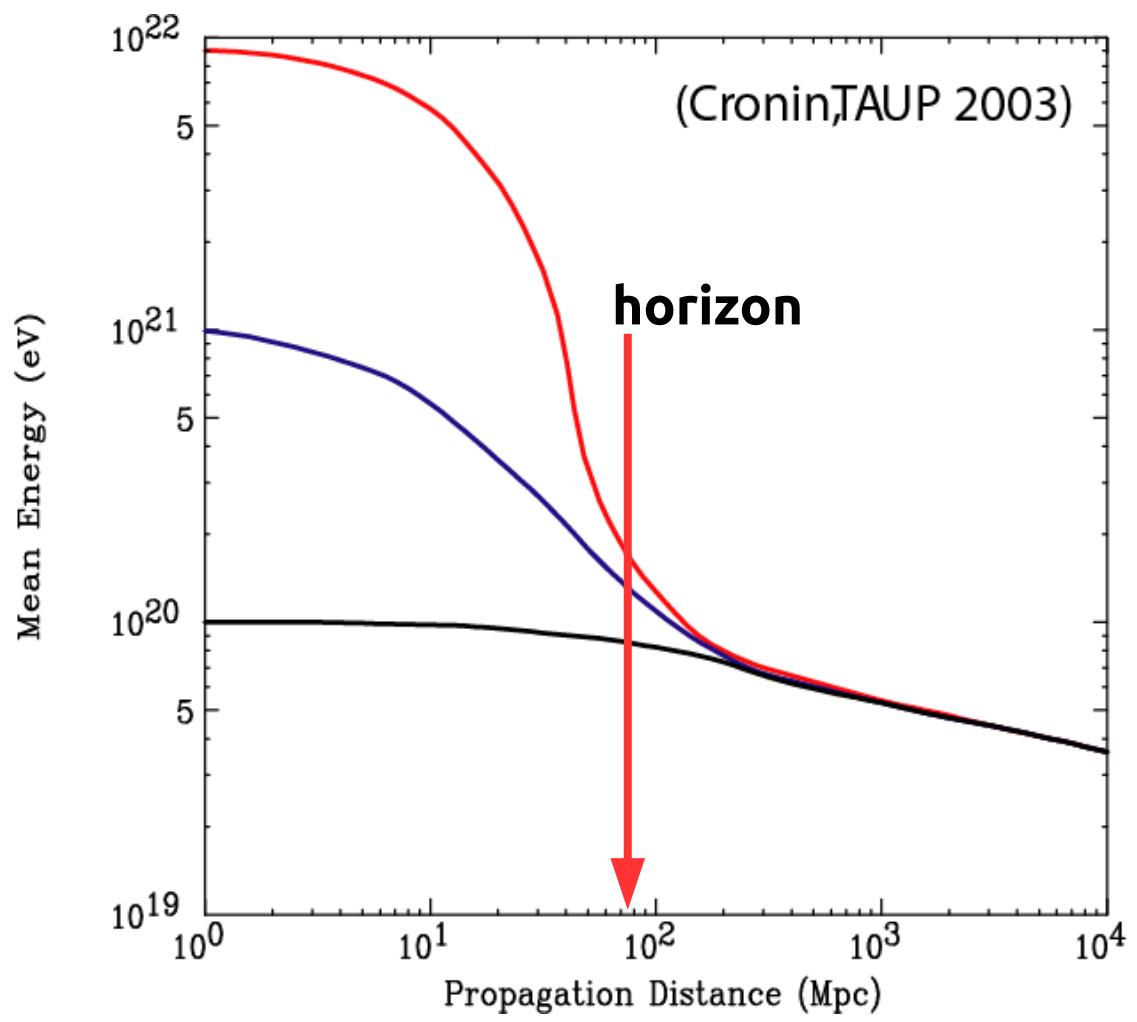
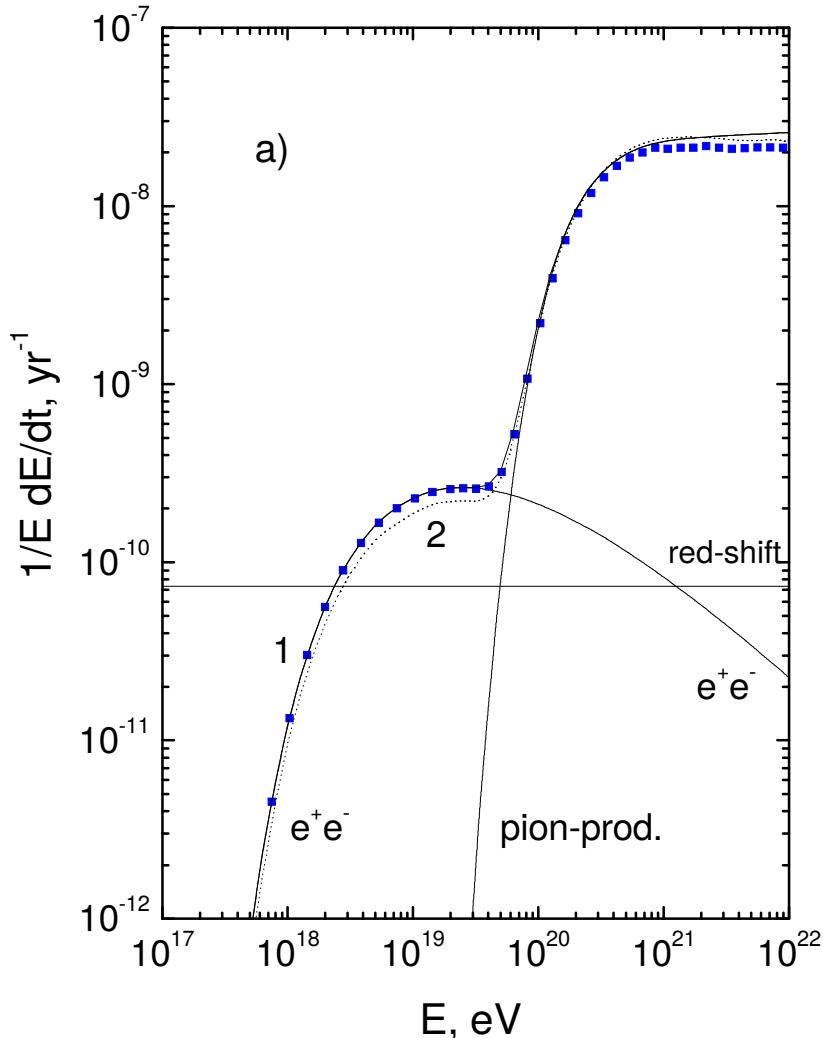


# Clear, then Hazy and Foggy

energy loss through  
inelastic scattering on CMB



Greisen, PRL 16 (1966) 748.  
Zatsepin, Kuz'min, JETP Lett. 4 (1966) 78.

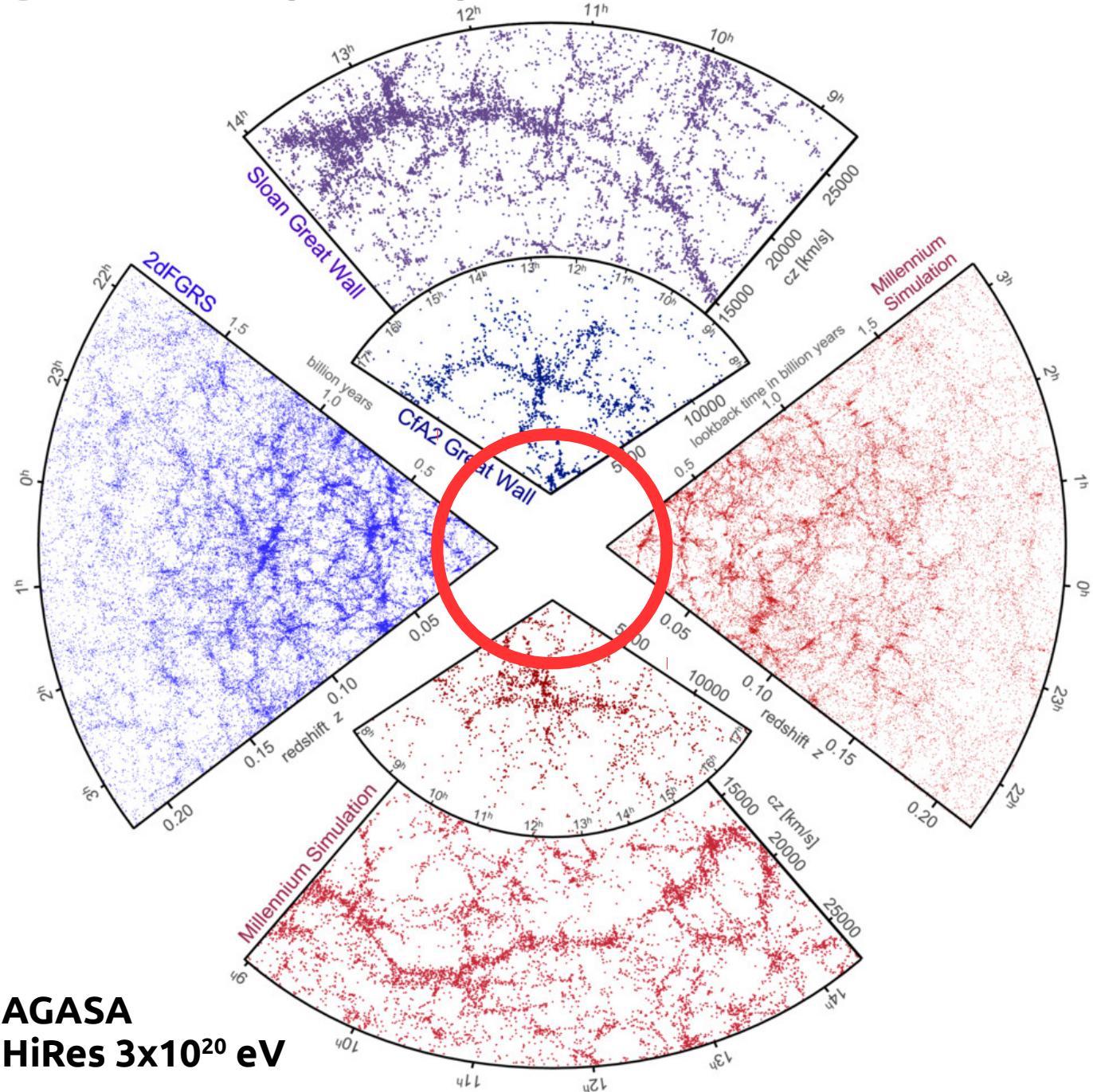


# GZK Horizon

GZK horizon:  
~75 Mpc  
~250 Mly  
~0.02 redshift



AGASA  
HiRes  $3 \times 10^{20}$  eV

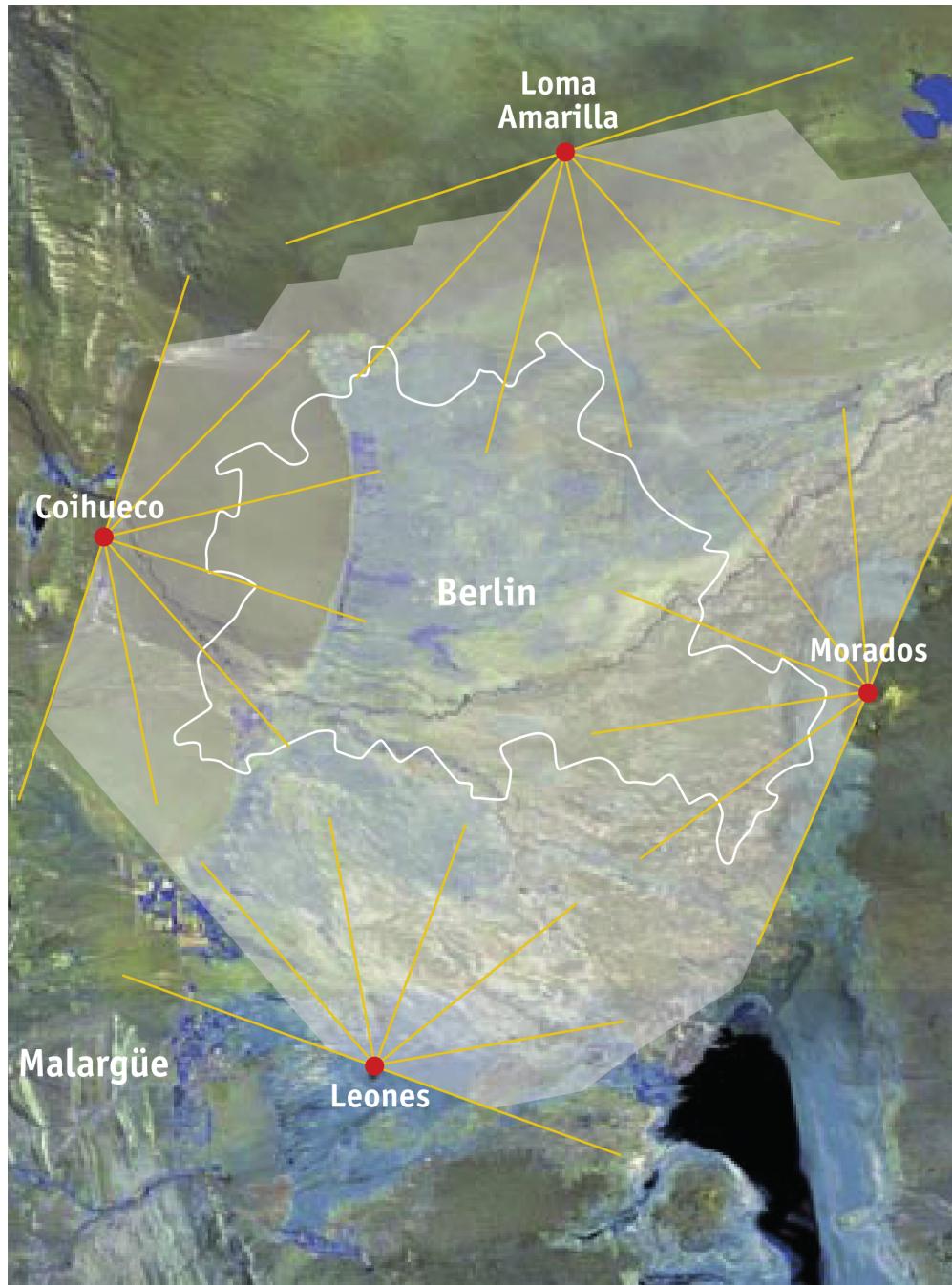


# Pierre Auger Collaboration

16 countries, ~90 institutions, ~500 authors



# Pierre Auger Observatory

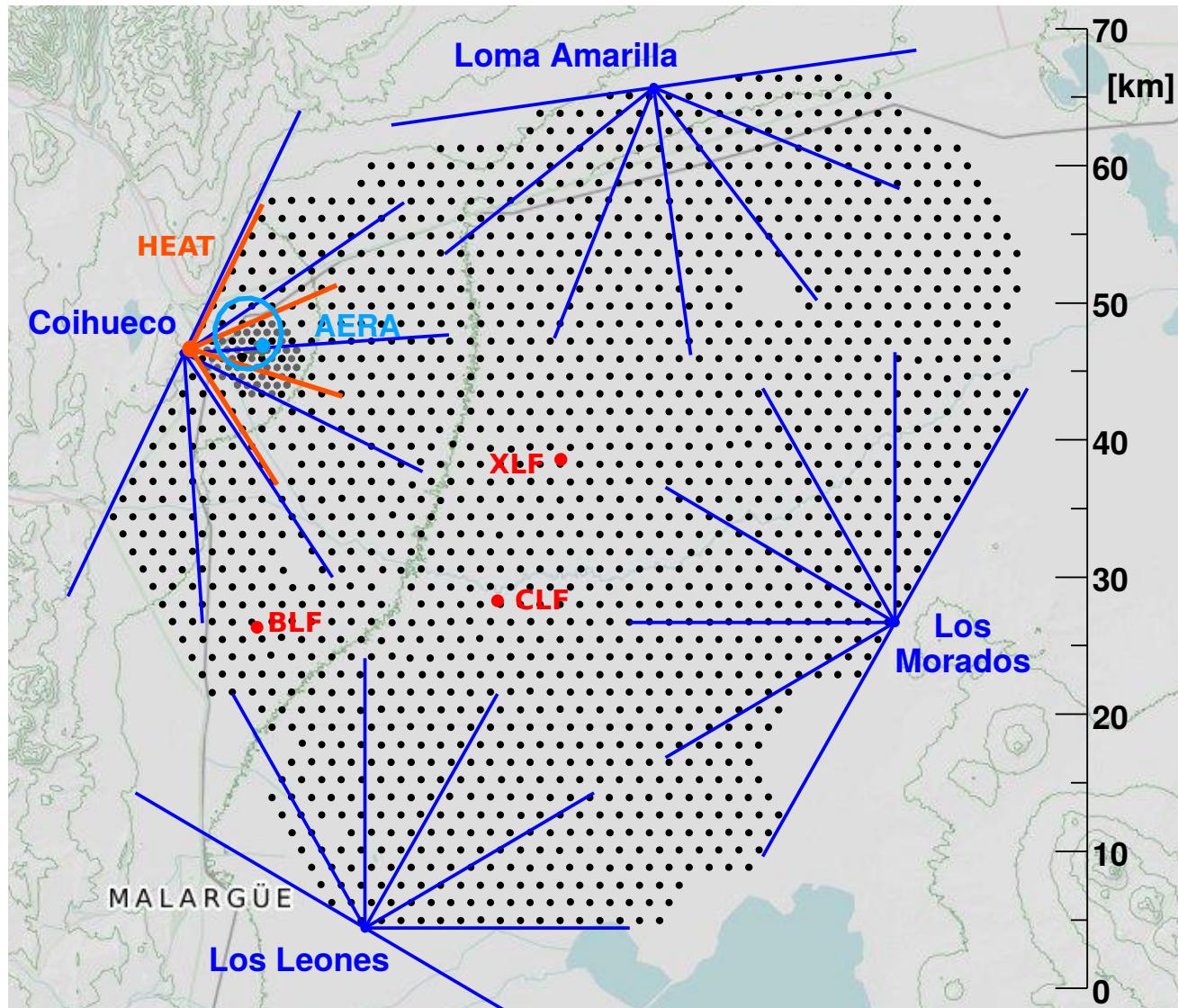


**just east of Andes  
Province of Mendoza, Argentina**

**area  $3000 \text{ km}^2$  (4x Berlin)**

**2000: Engineering Array  
2004: start...  
2008: end of construction**

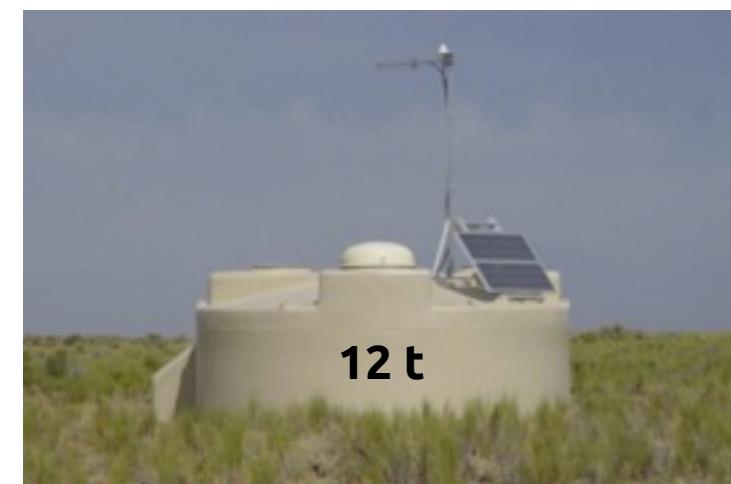
# Detectors



1.5 km spacing, 1660 SD stations; 27 FD telescopes  
lidars, cloud monitoring, weather stations  
 $\langle h \rangle = 1450$  m a.s.l.,  $X_{\text{vert}} = 860$  g/cm<sup>2</sup>

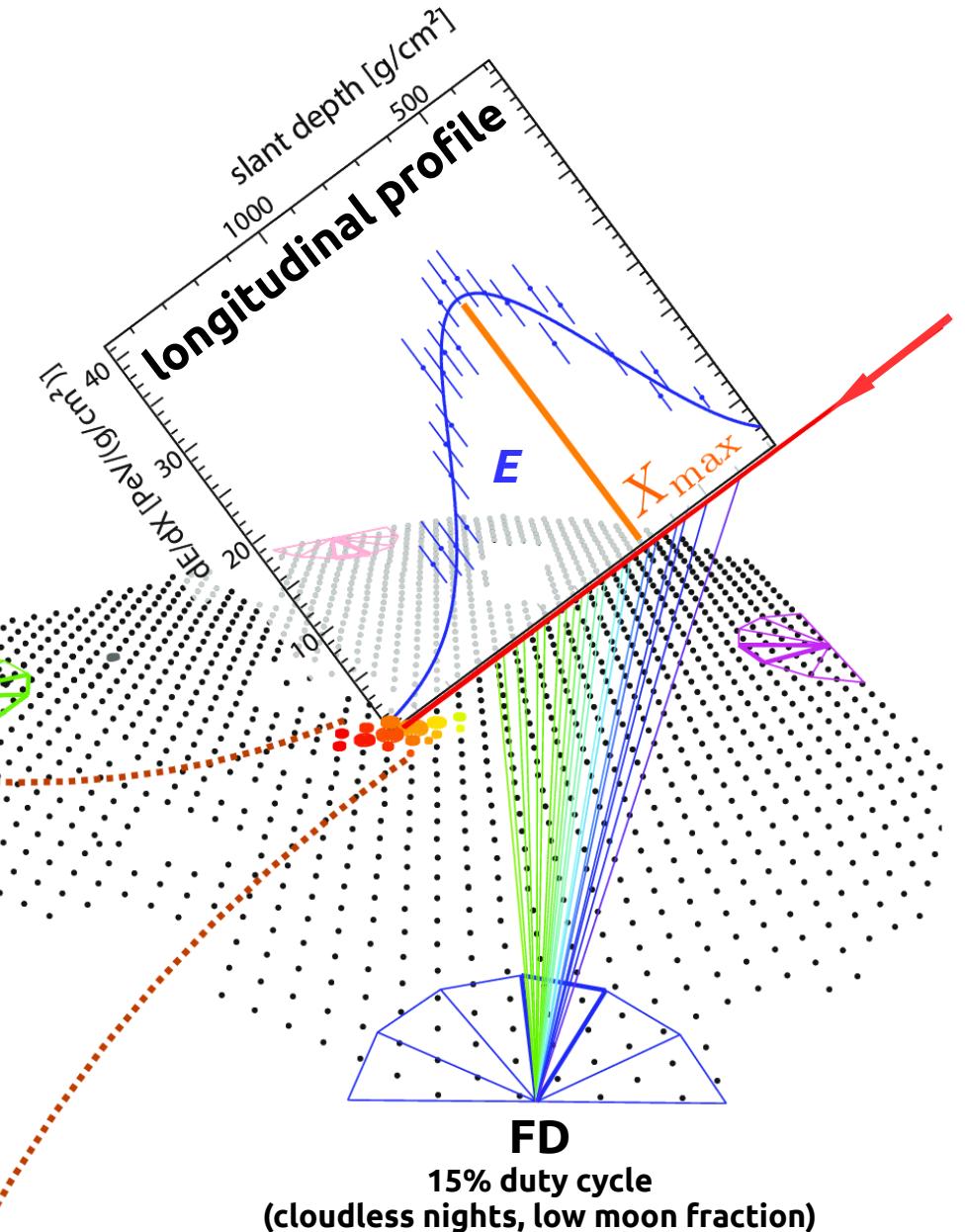
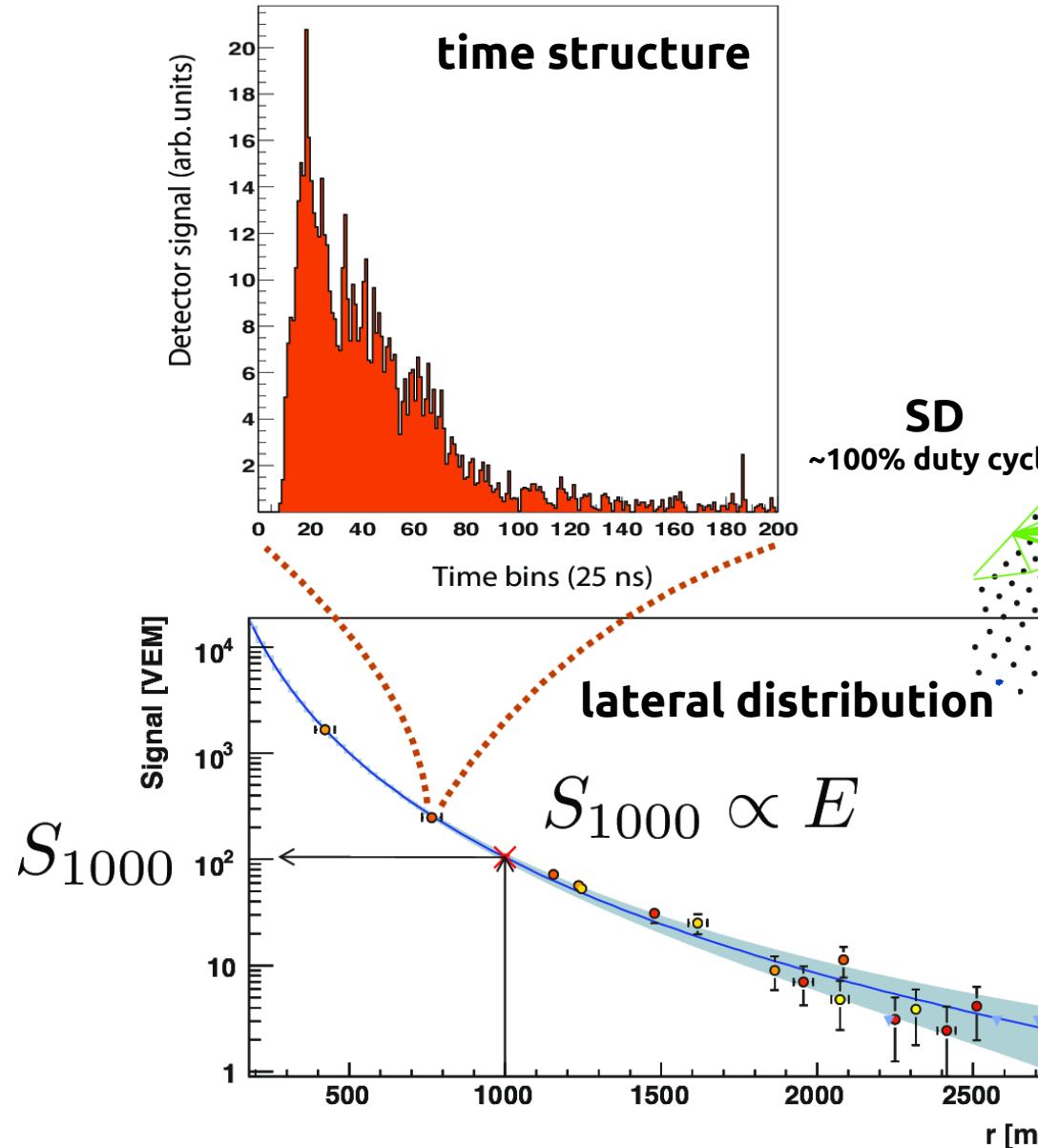


fluorescence detector (FD)



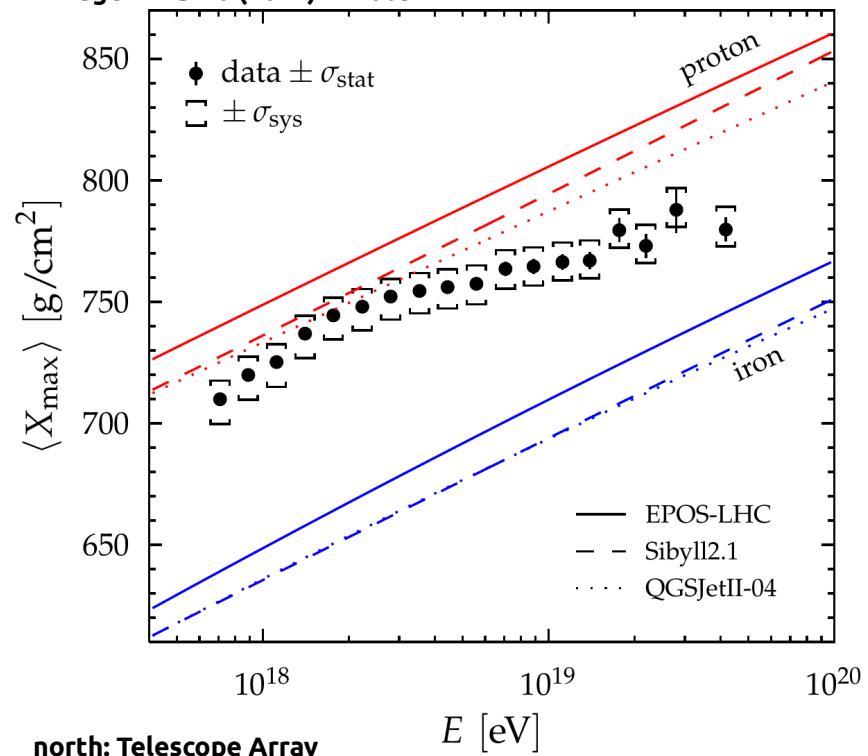
surface detector (SD)  
water-Cherenkov technique

# Shower Observables

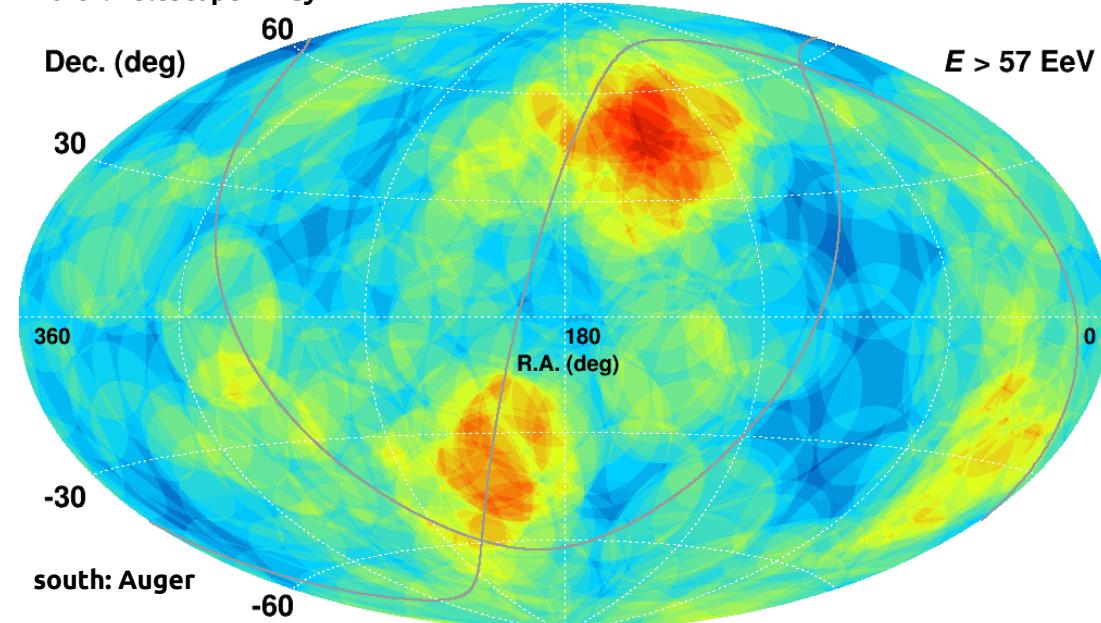


# Main Results

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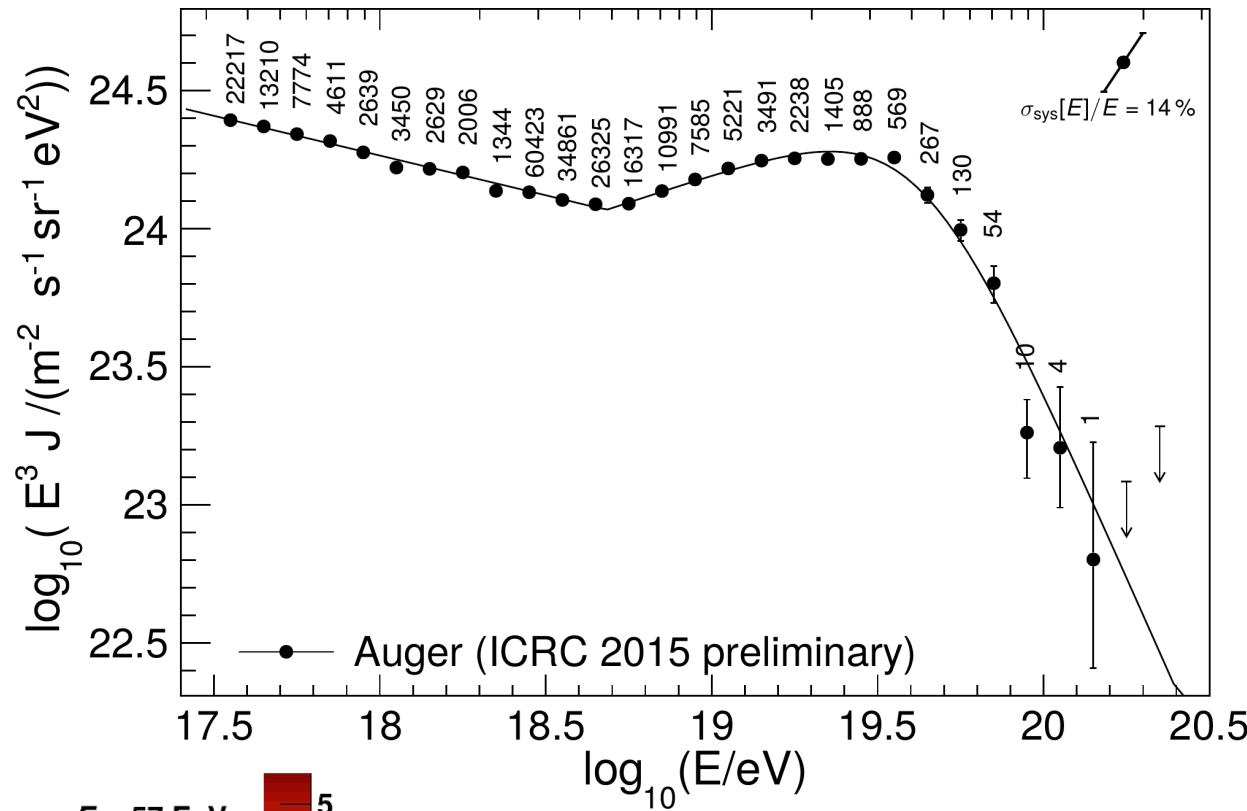


north: Telescope Array



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**strong flux suppression**

**surprising composition change  
at  $10^{18.5} \text{ eV}$**

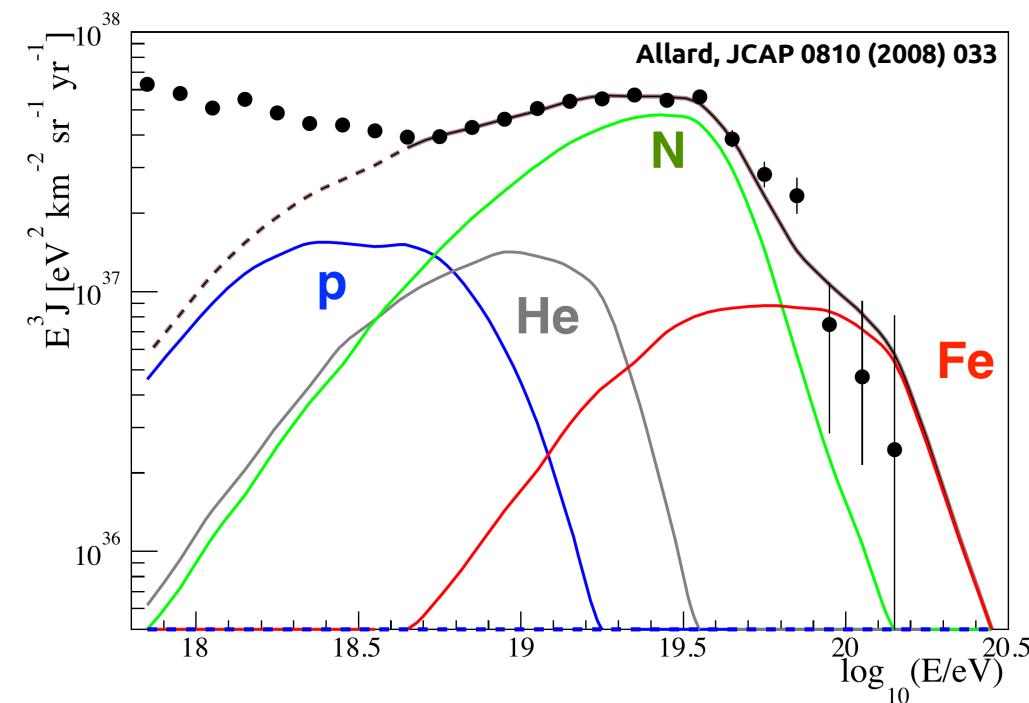
**large number of muons**

**remarkably isotropic sky**

**~7% dipole**

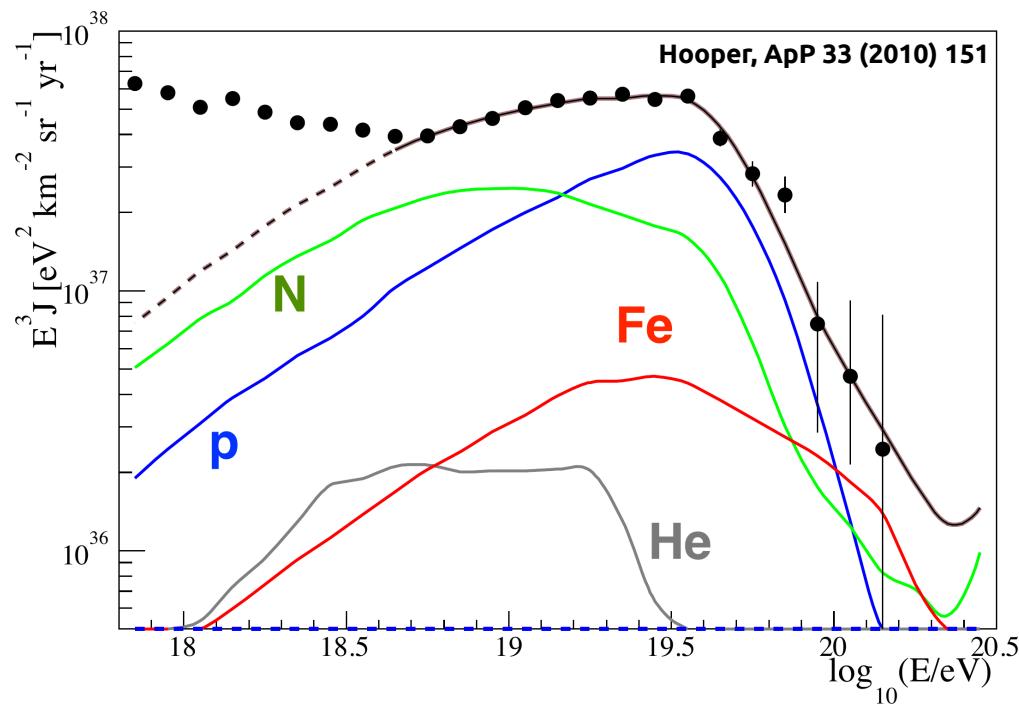
# Two Suppression Scenarios

Scenario 1



**sources accelerate to maximum rigidity (“tired” sources)**  
**energies shifted up by  $Z$**   
**heavy injection Si-Fe**

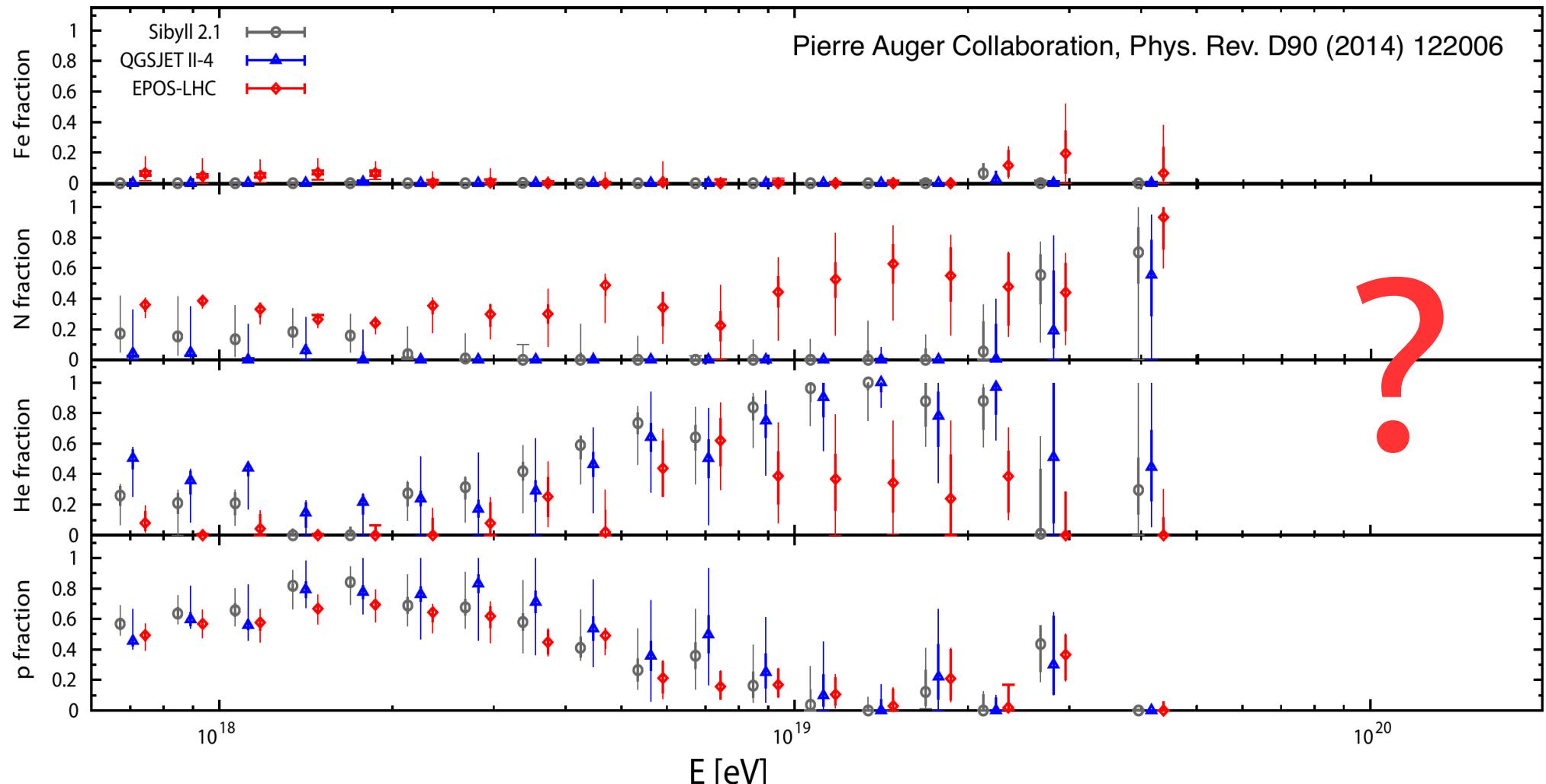
Scenario 2



**(mostly) photo-disintegration energies shifted down by  $A$**   
**light elements come from heavy CR astronomy still possible**

+ p-dominated “dip” scenario

# Composition Fits to $X_{\max}$



# proton fraction at highest energies?

# **new particle physics?**

$X_{\max}$  from FD!

# Increase of FD Duty Cycle



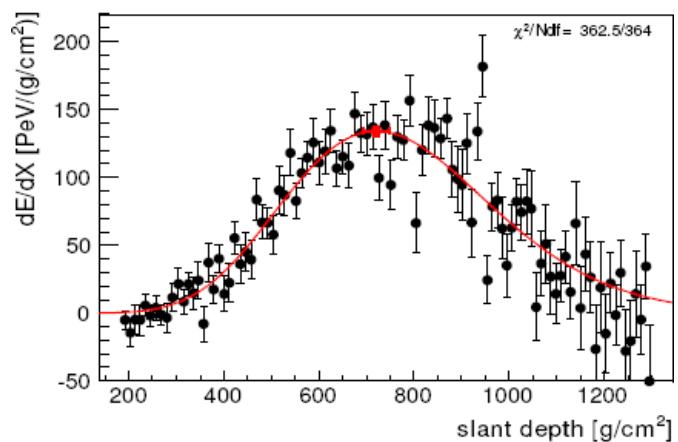
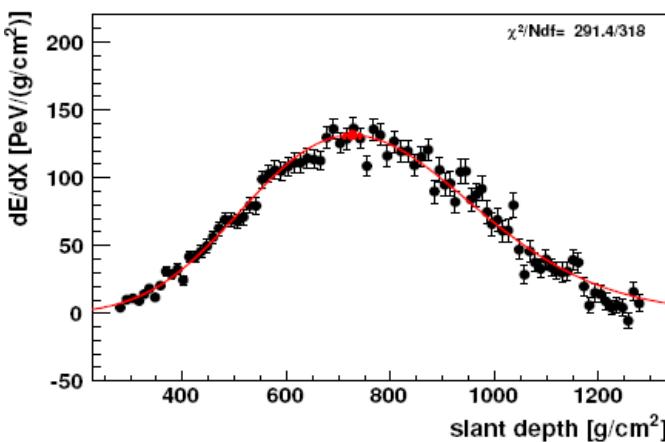
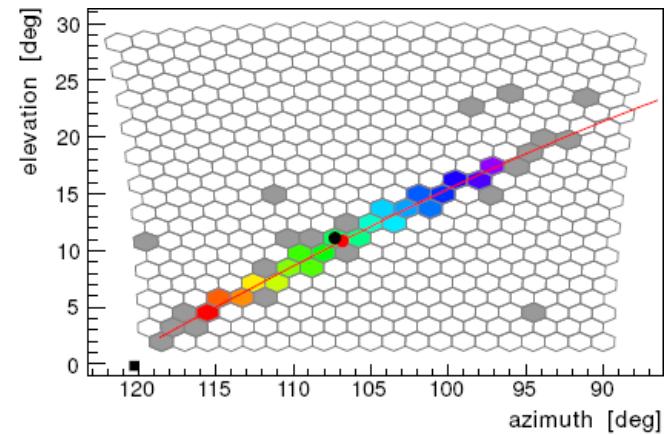
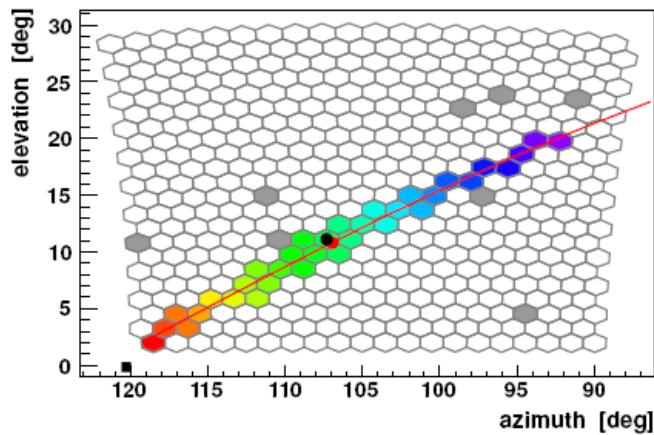
dark moonless nights →  
moon fraction: 90%



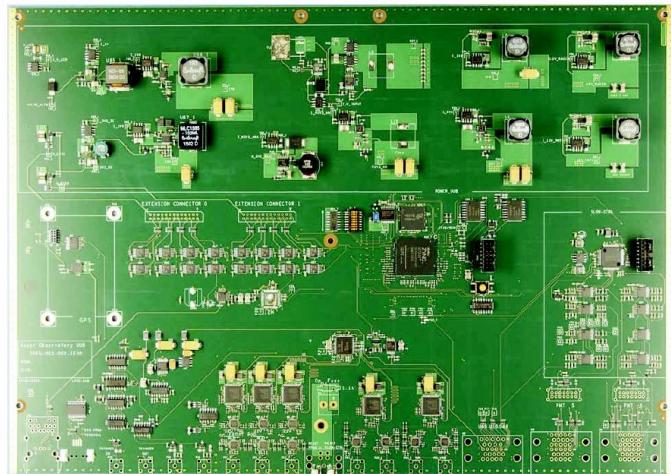
background 40x higher

10x lower gain (aging!)

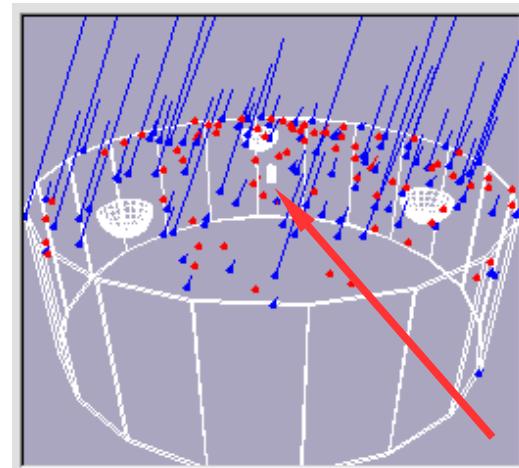
50% larger duty cycle



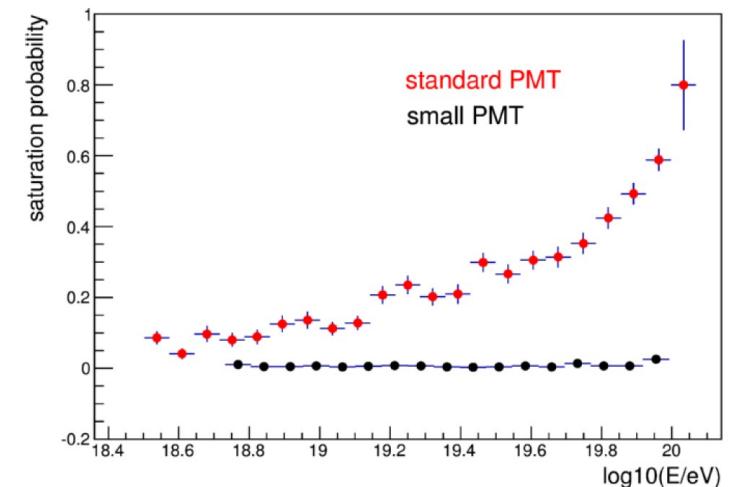
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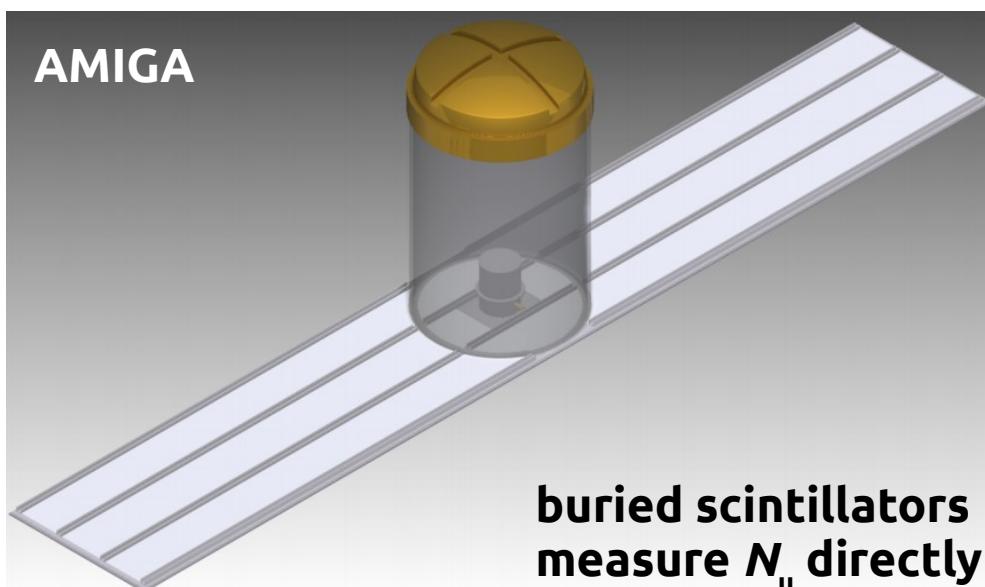
**new electronics  
40→120 MHz sampling  
more channels, CPU**



**currently 3 large PMTs  
+small PMT**



**station closest to core**



**buried scintillators  
measure  $N_\mu$  directly**



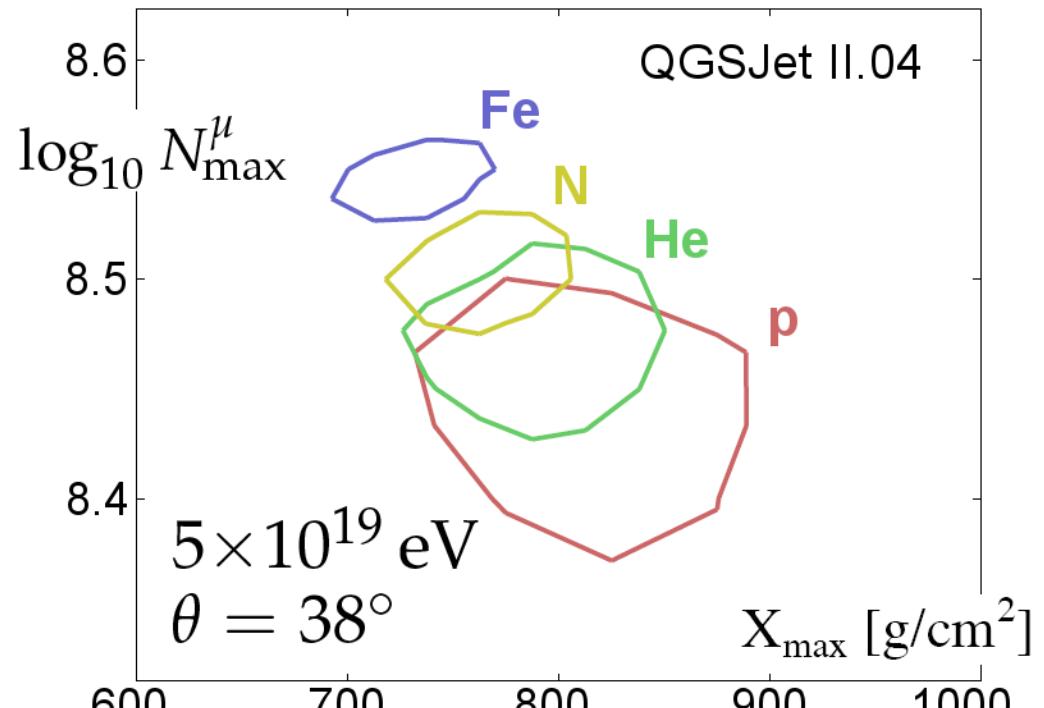
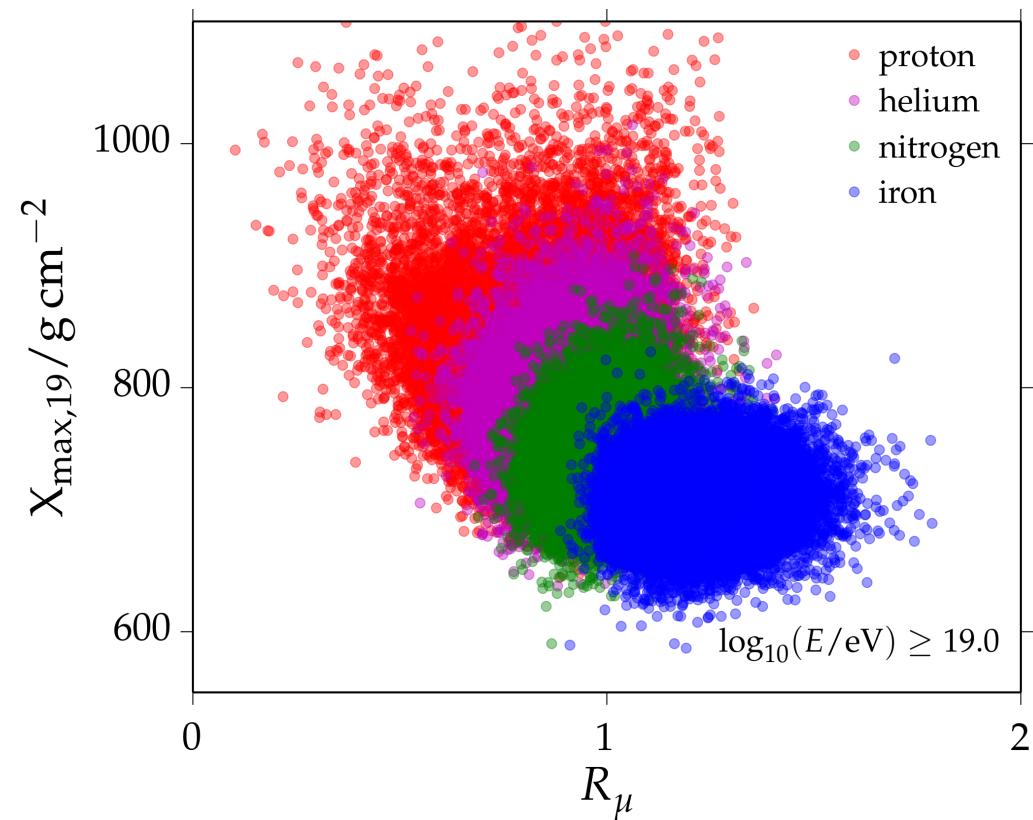
**only infill area**

# Increased Composition Sensitivity

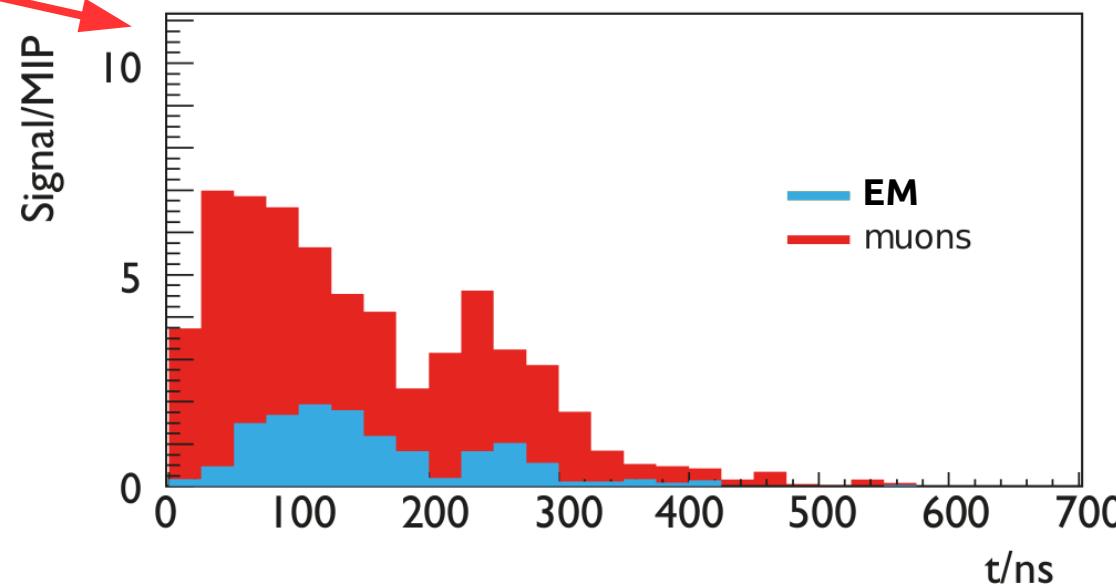
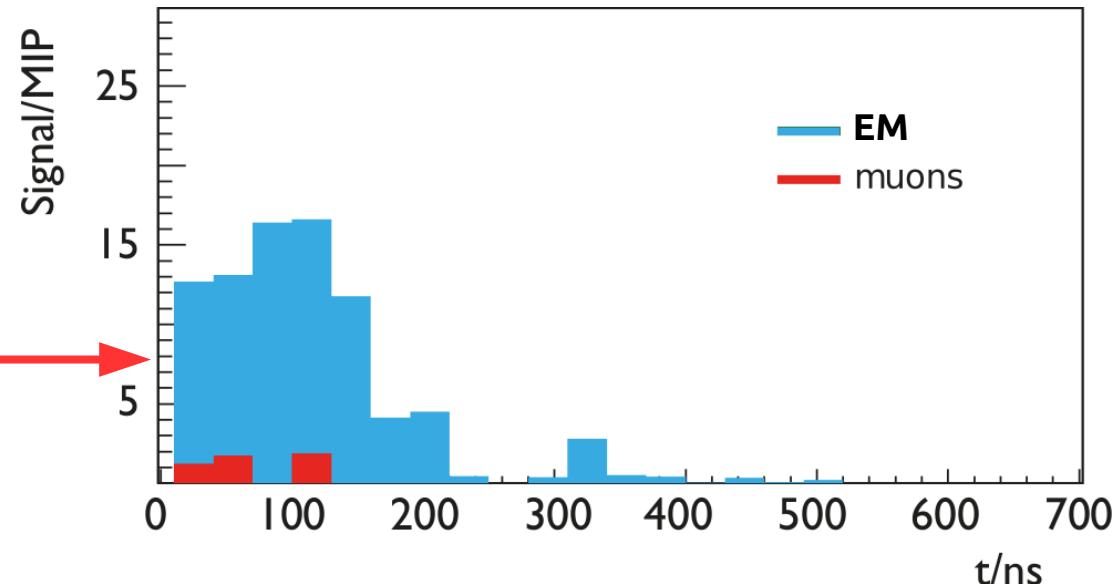
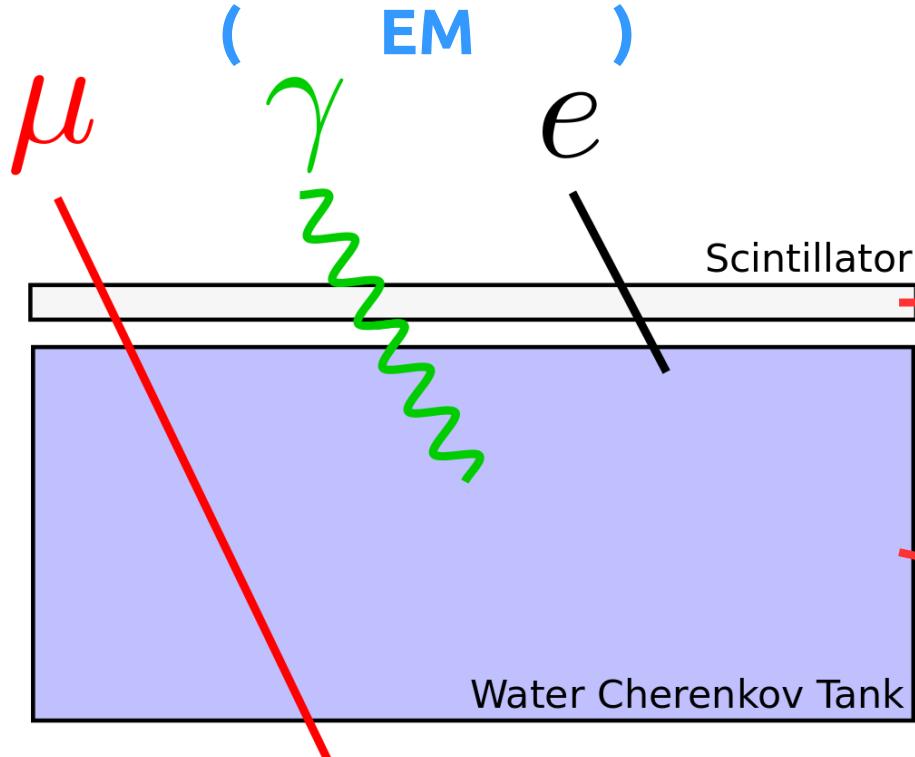
with SD

main goal!

$X_{\max}$  and muons

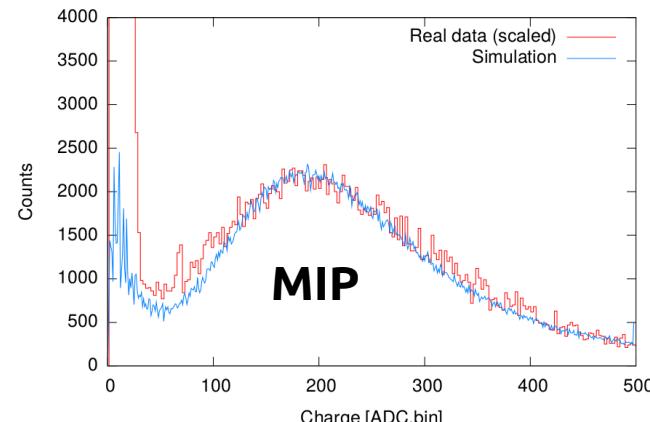
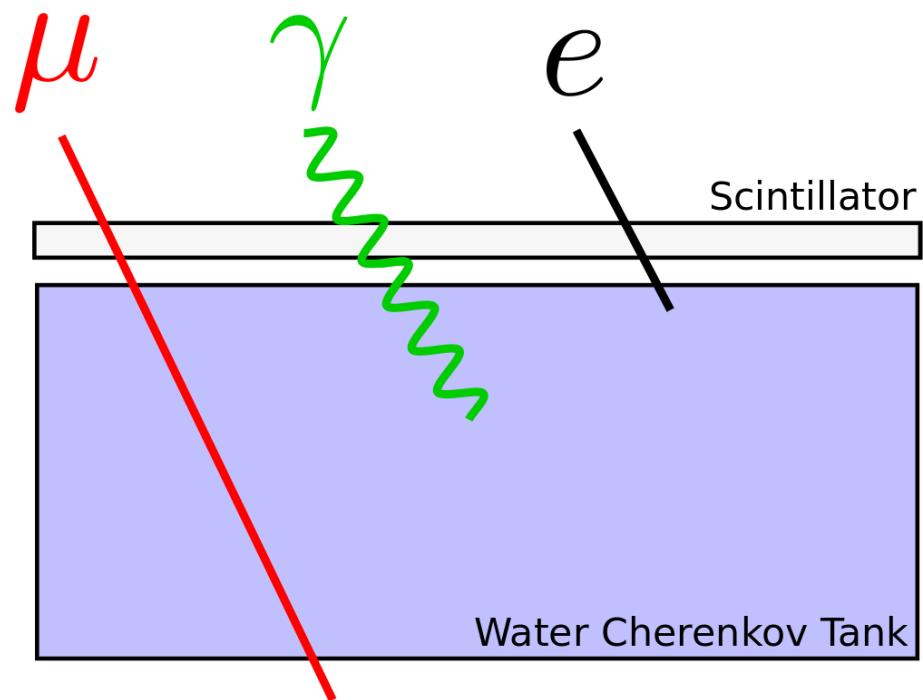


# Complementary Response



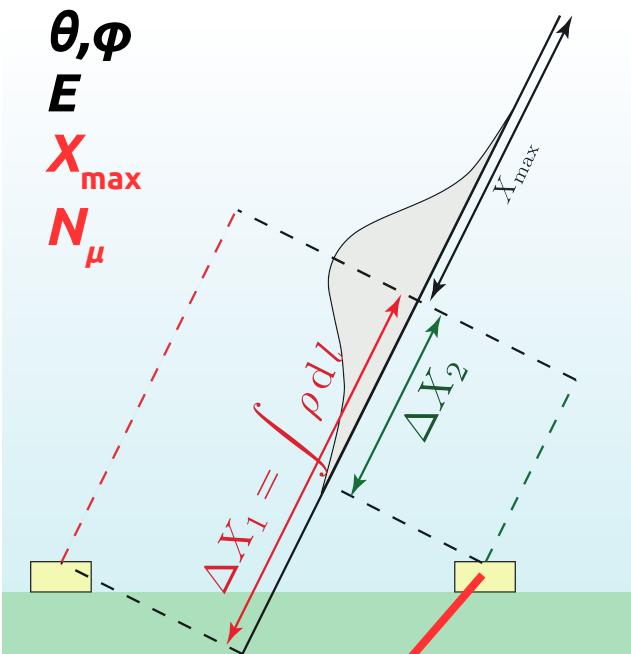
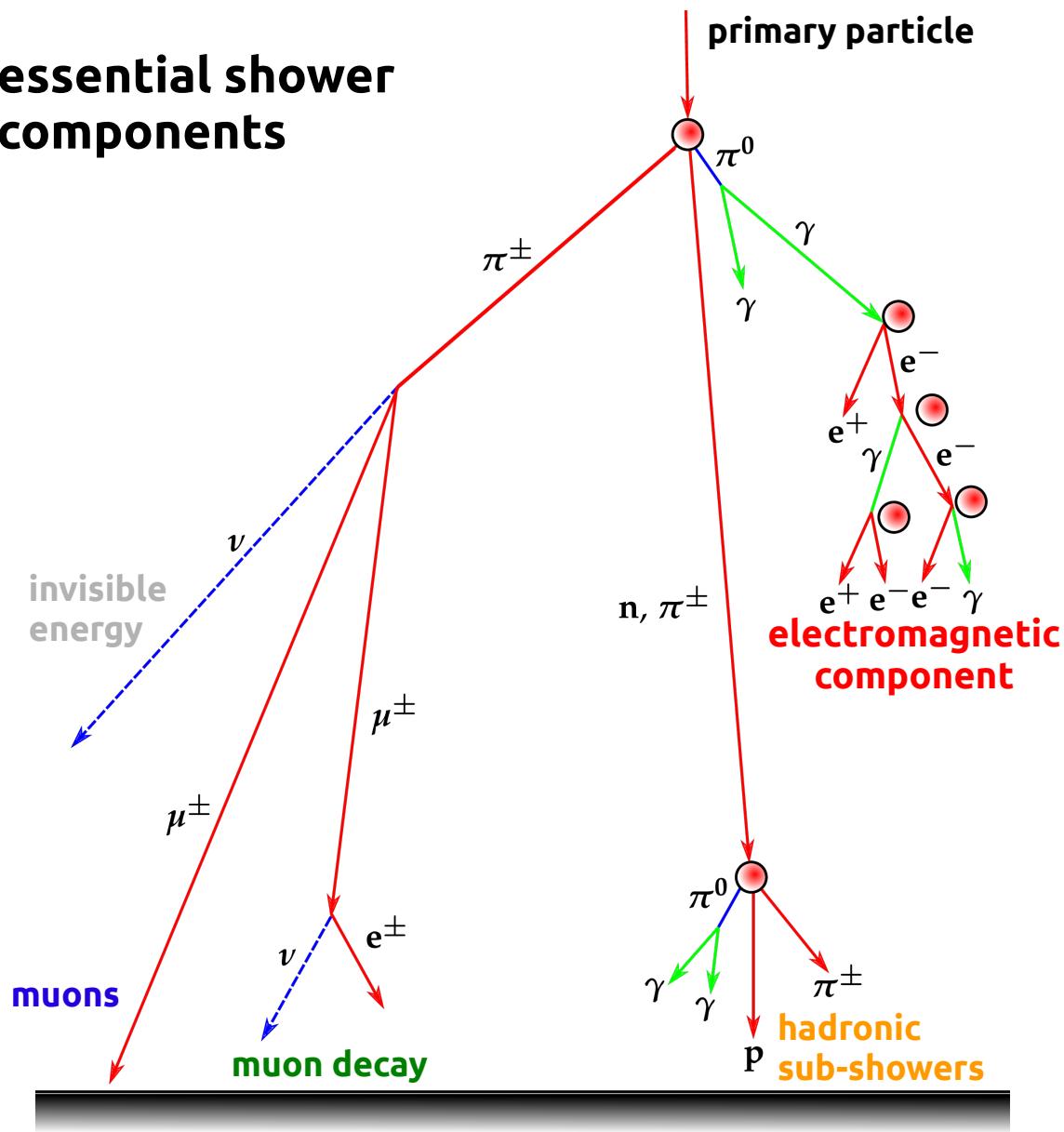
$$S_{\mu, \text{WCD}} = a S_{\text{WCD}} + b S_{\text{SSD}}$$

# R&D Prototype



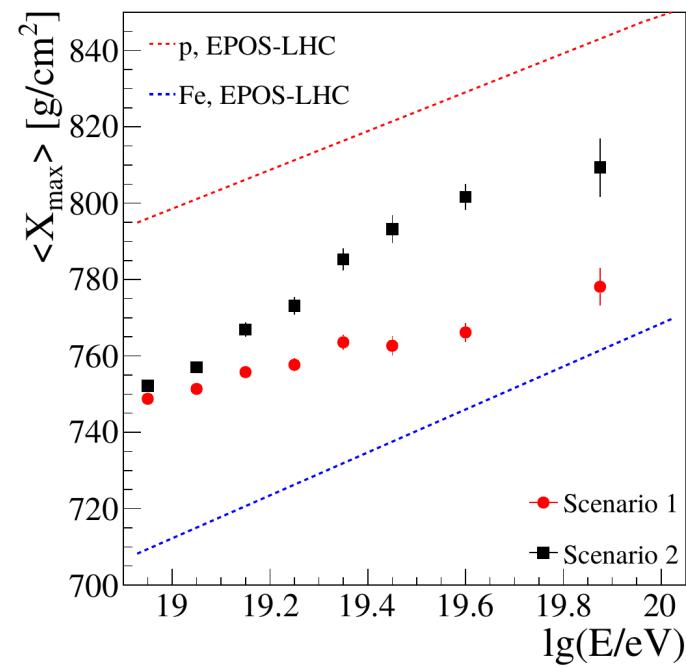
# Universality

**essential shower components**

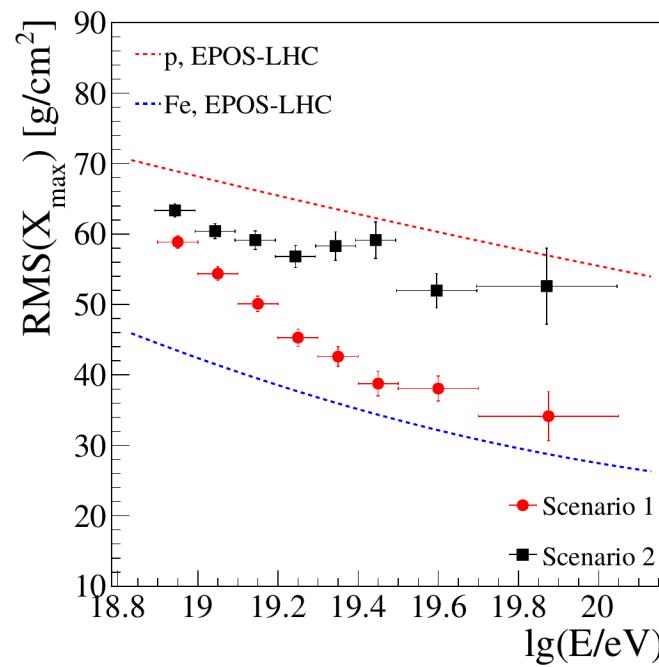


# Different Consequences

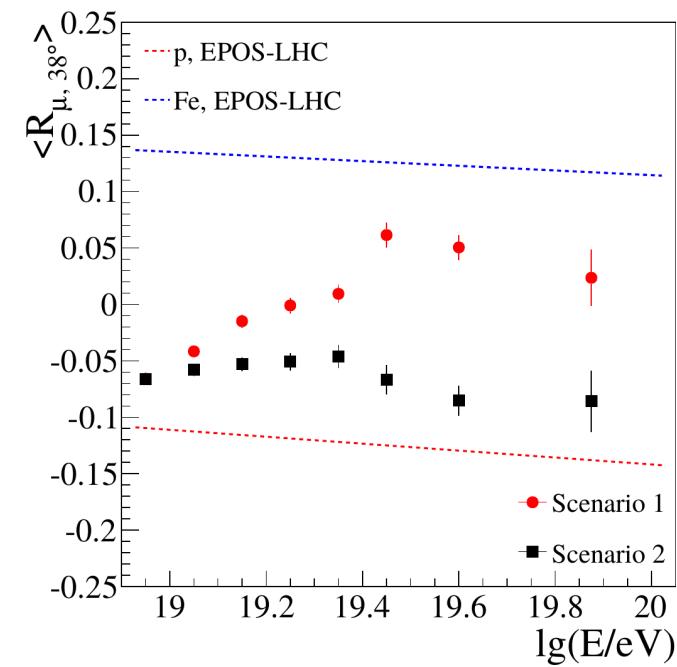
$\langle X_{\max} \rangle$



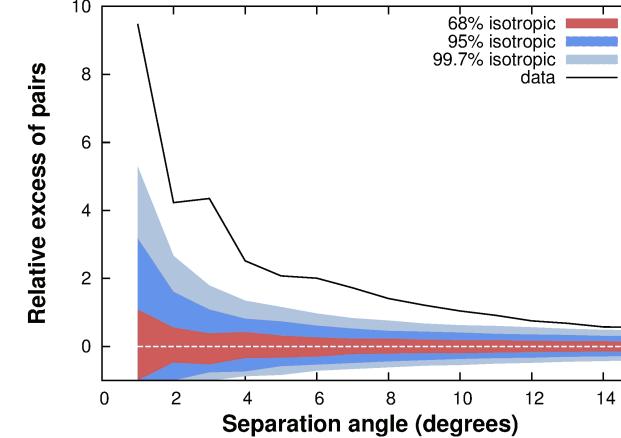
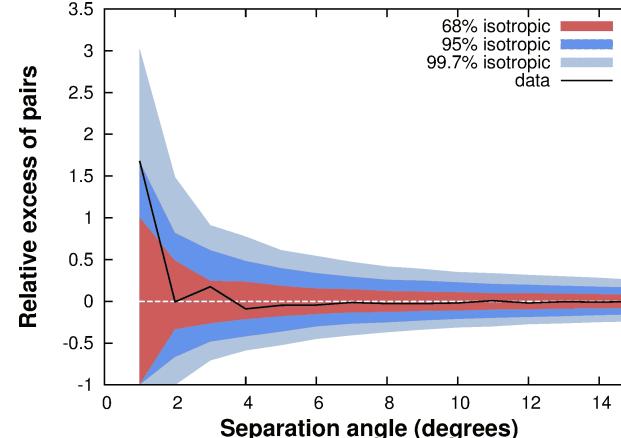
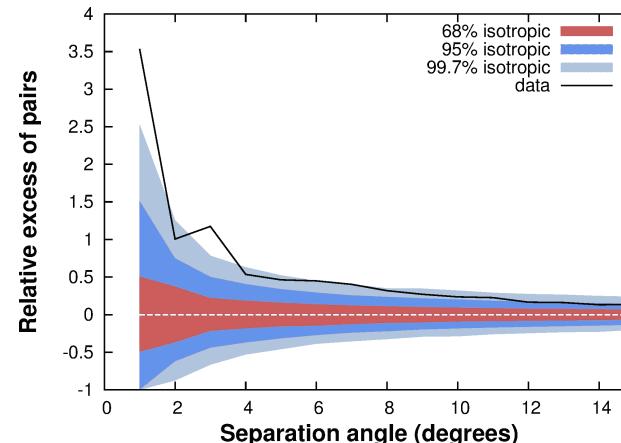
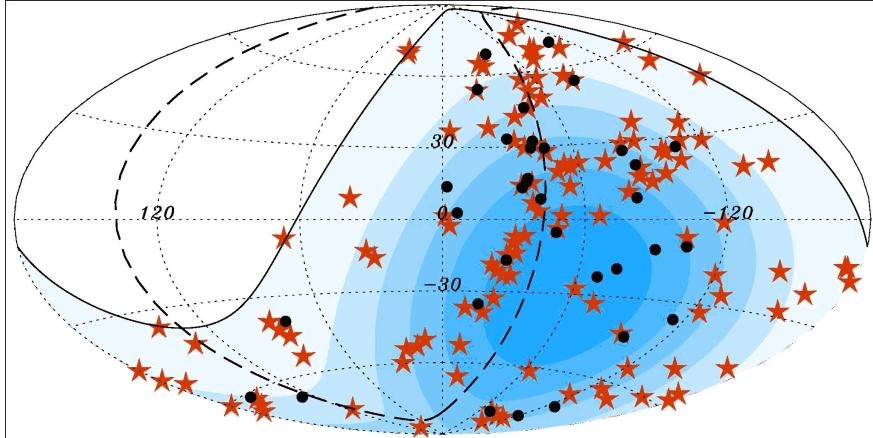
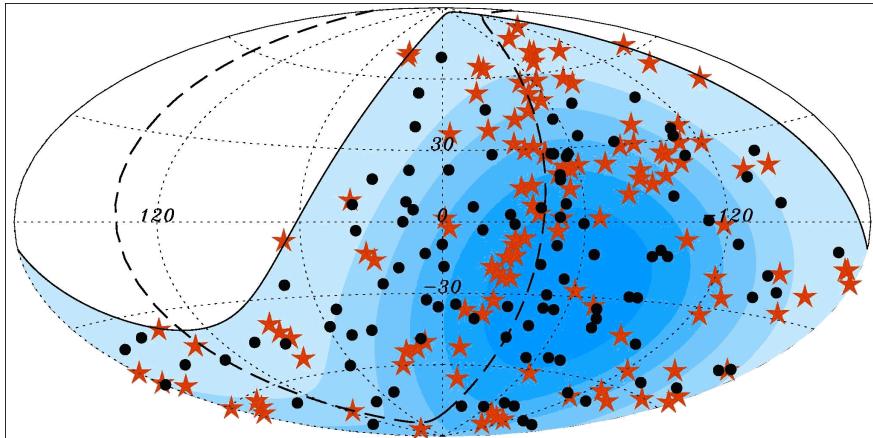
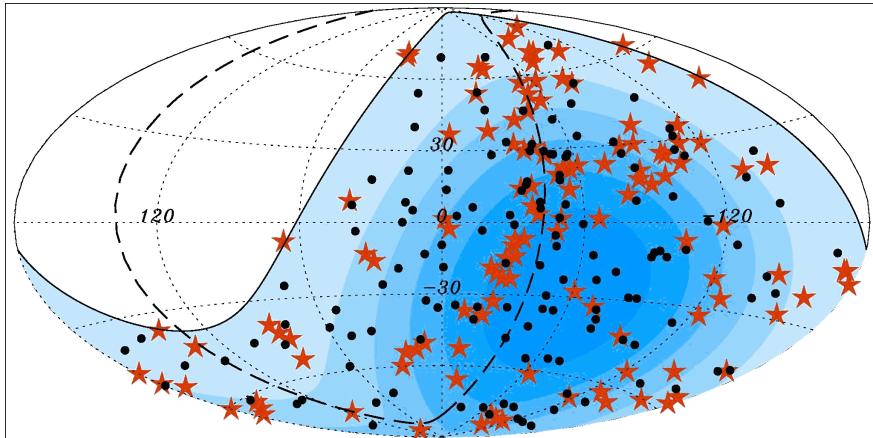
$\sigma(X_{\max})$



**muons**



# Composition-Enhanced Anisotropy



$E > 5.5\text{EeV}$  events

$X_{\max}$  from max.  
rigidity scenario

10% p added

p-depleted

p-enhanced

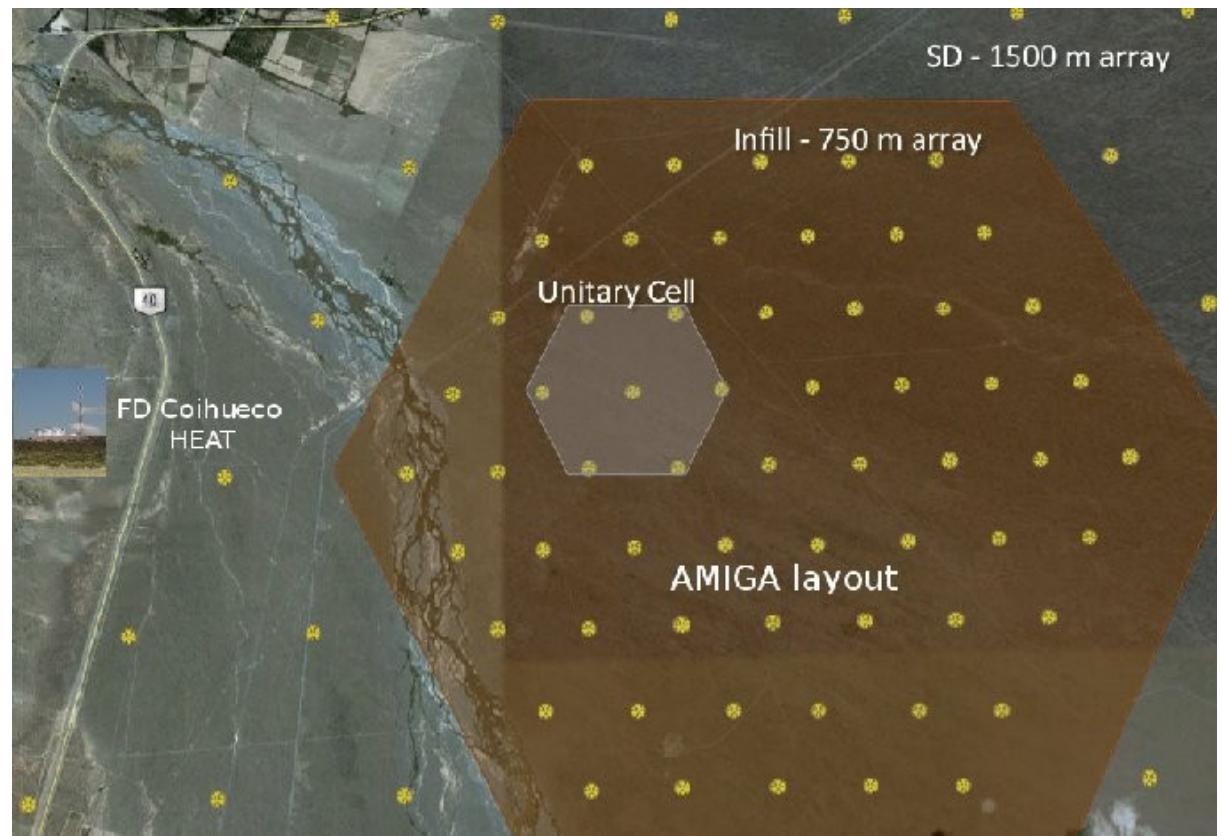
# Timeline

**July 2016: Engineering Array, 12 stations equipped with scintillators → SSD**

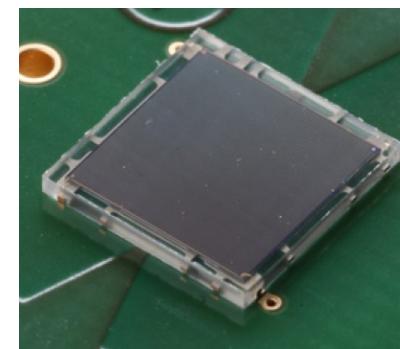
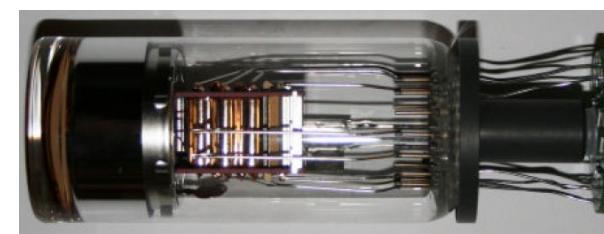
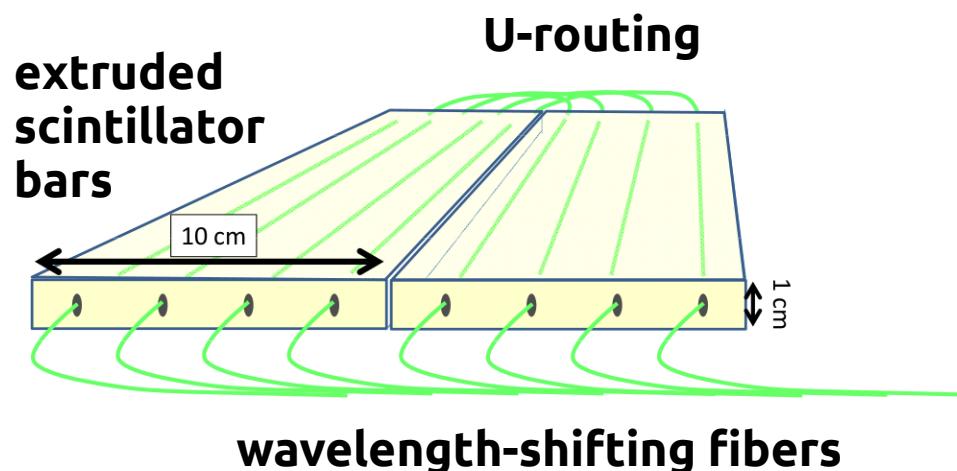
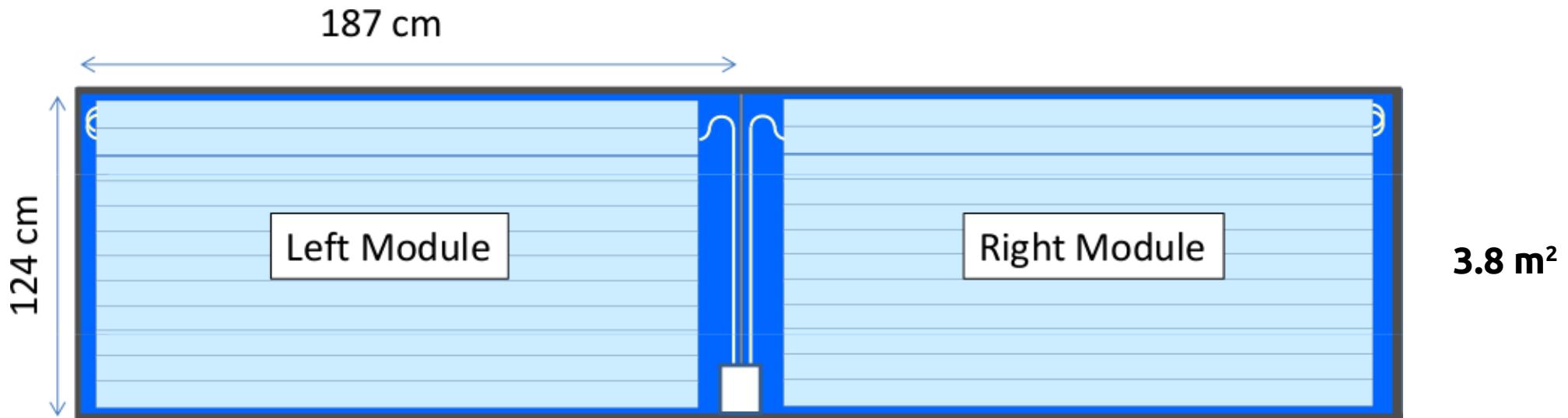
**end of 2016: evaluation**

**2017-2018: deployment of 1600 SSD**

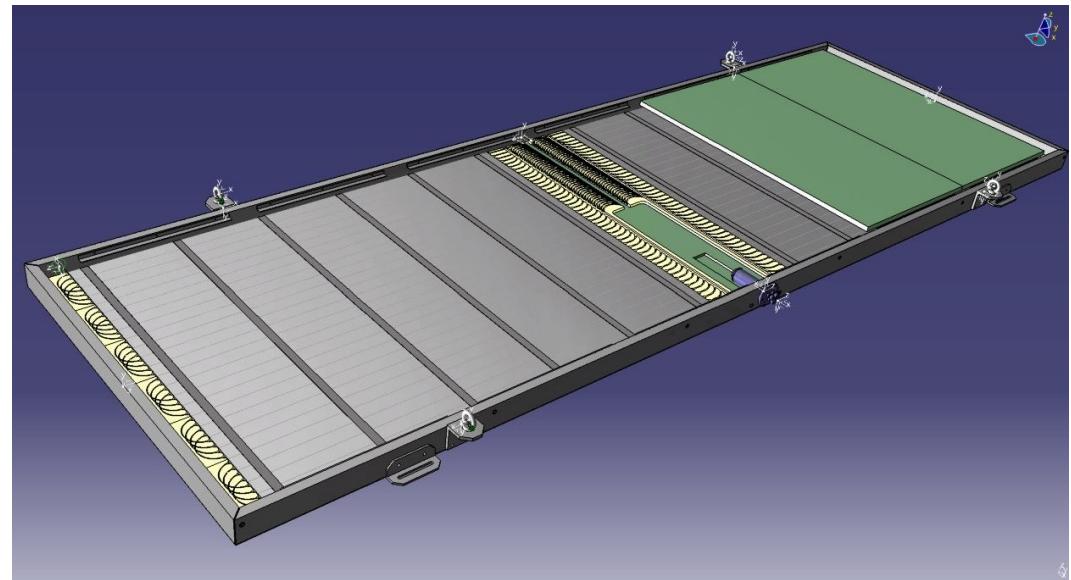
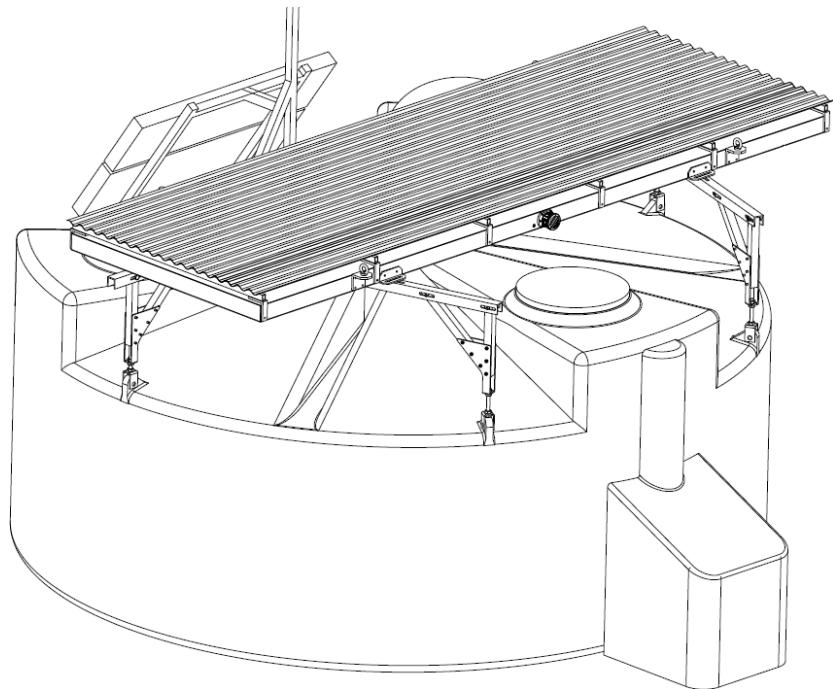
**until 2025: data-taking**



# SSD Design



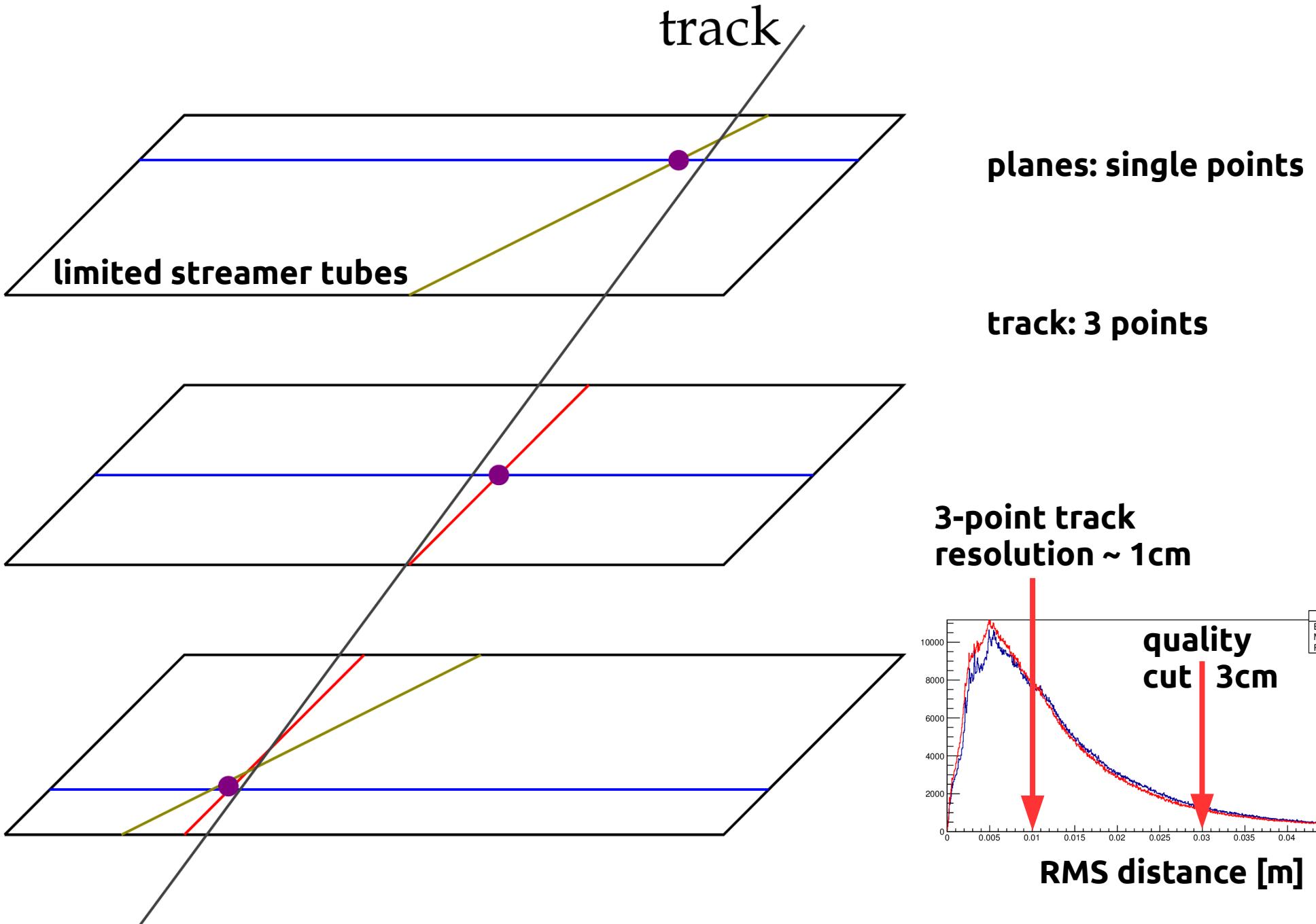
# SSD Production



# KASCADE Muon Tower



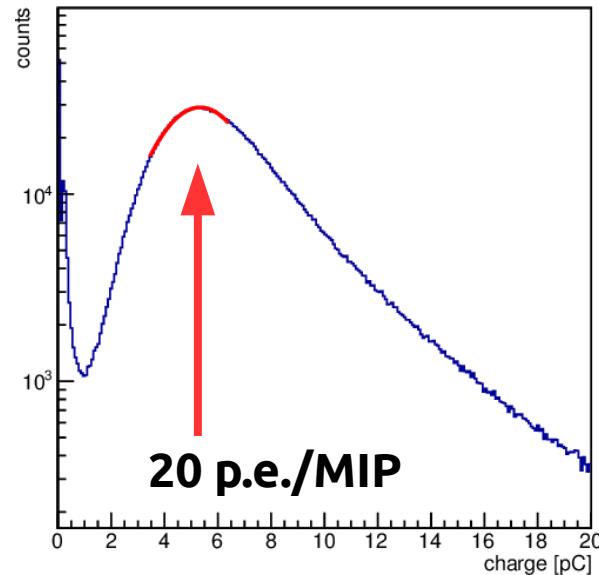
# Muon Track Reconstruction



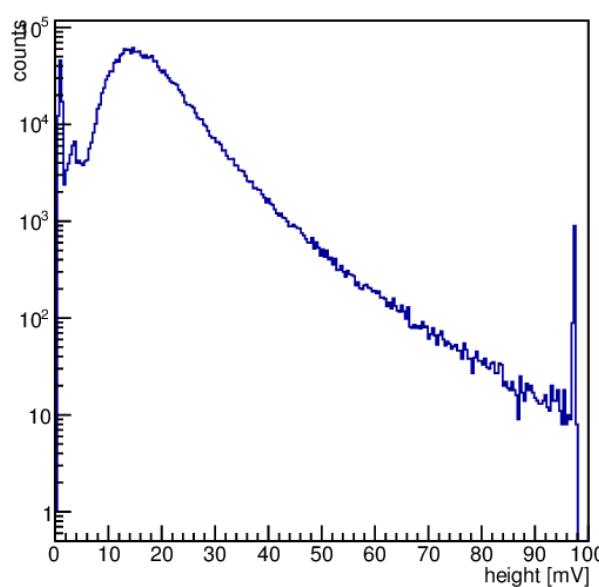
# SSD Signal

## Signal properties

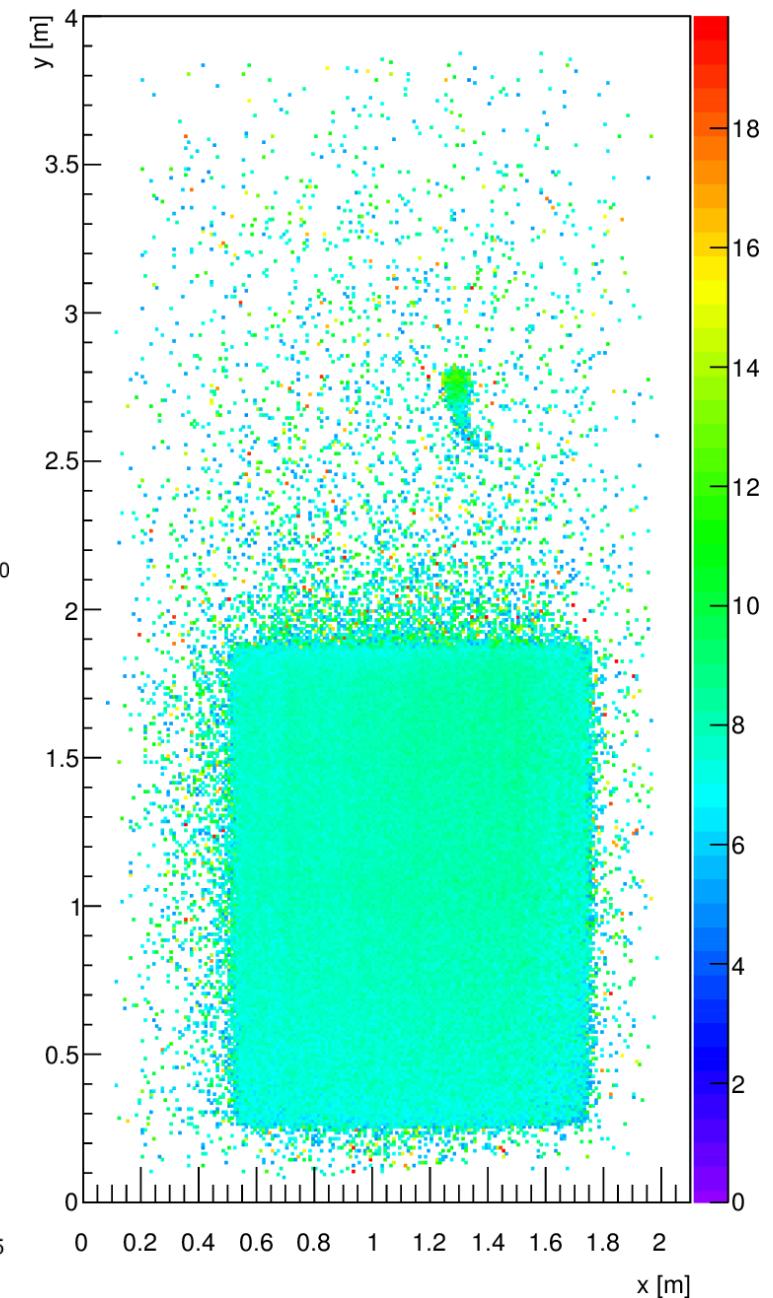
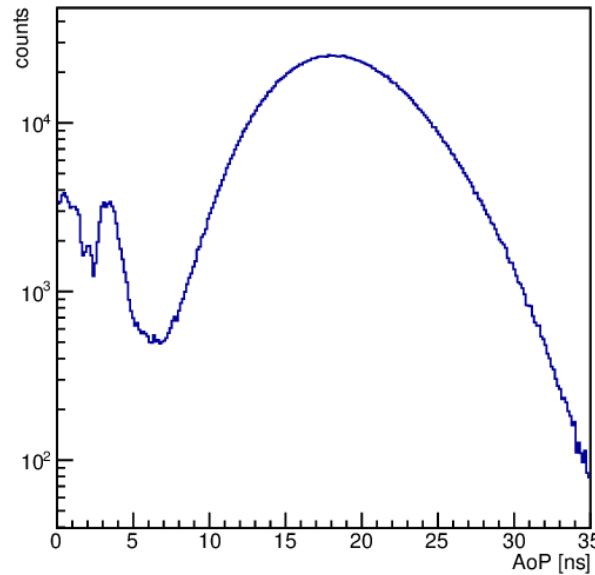
signal charge dist.



signal height dist.

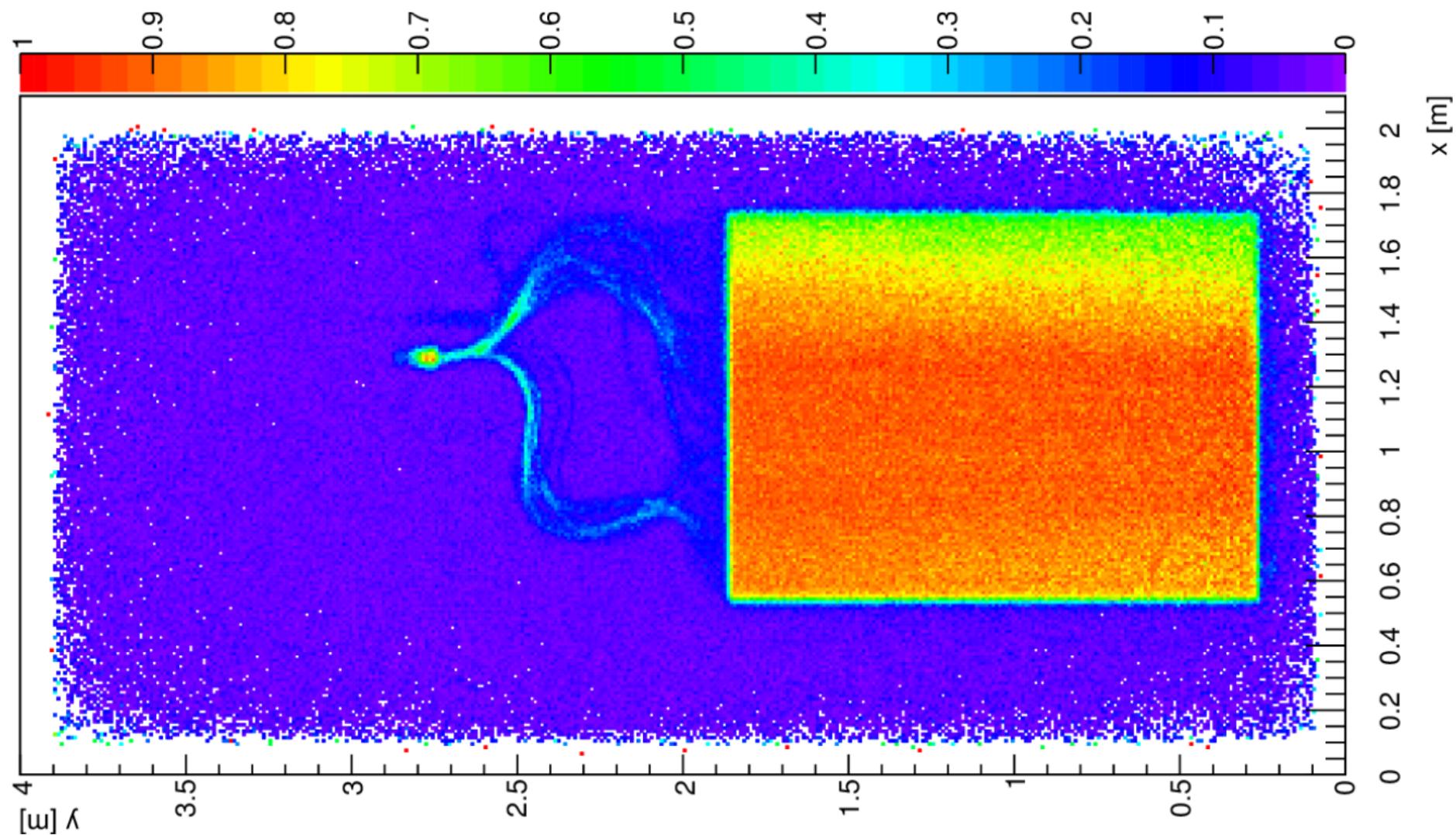


signal AoP dist.



# Muon Tomography

6h statistics, 1cm x 1cm binning



# Summary



- extend Observatory operation 2018-2025
- equip 1600 stations with scintillators
- increase FD duty cycle
- doubling of event statistic
- but now with primary mass information

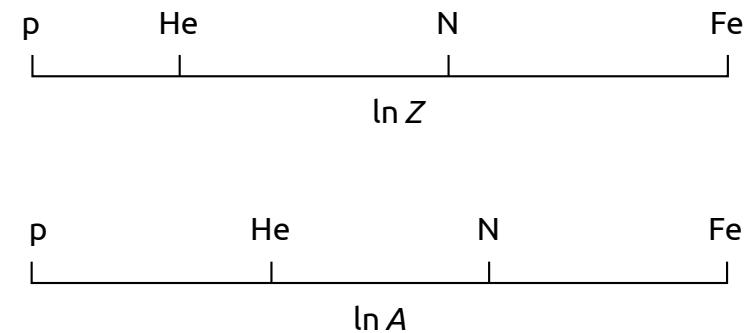
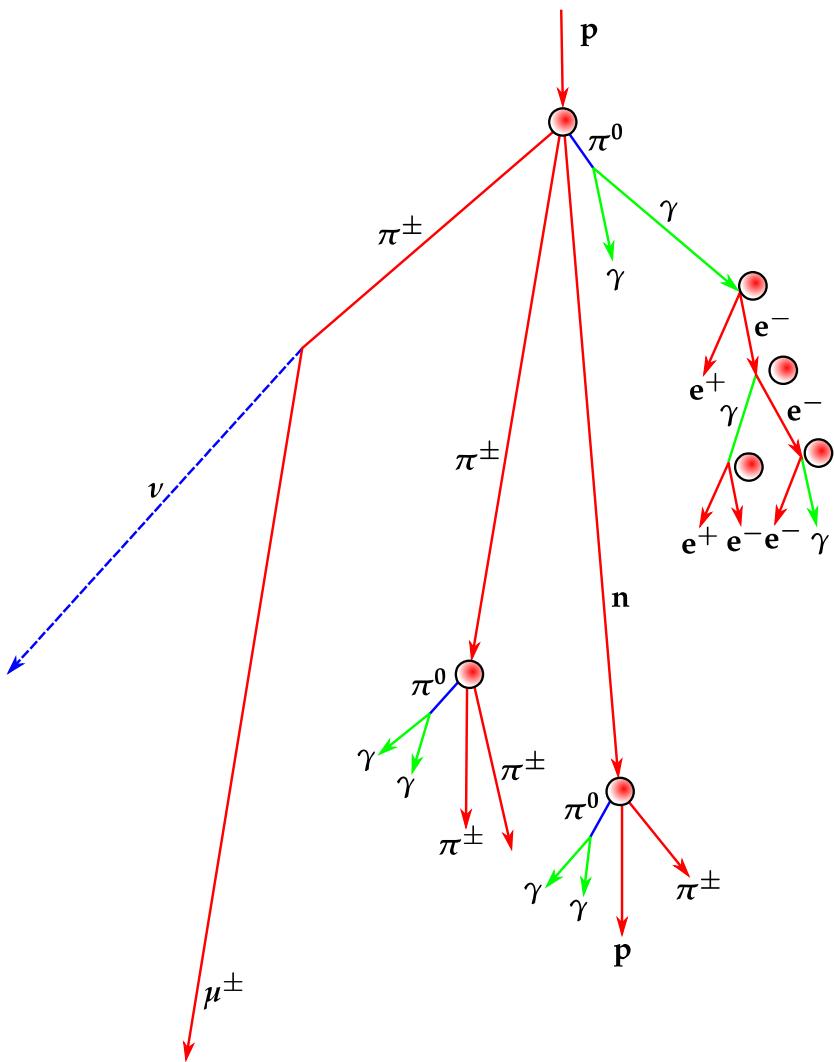


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# Thank you!

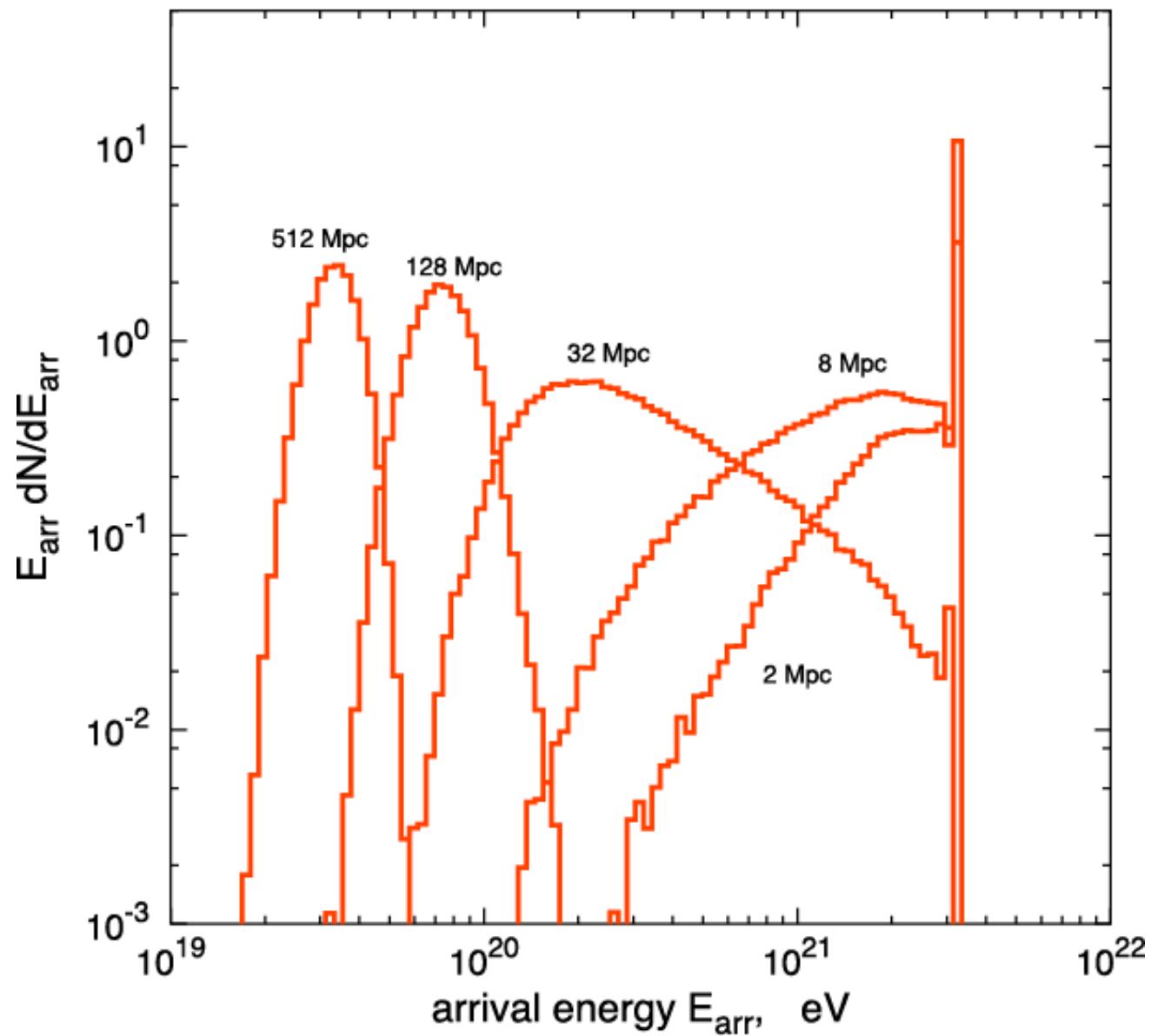
# Empty

# Backup



# GZK Energy Loss

proton,  $E = 10^{21.5}$  eV



# Matrix formalism

$$\begin{pmatrix} S_{\text{scin}} \\ S_{\text{wcd}} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ 1-a & 1-b \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} S_{\gamma,e^\pm} \\ S_{\mu^\pm} \end{pmatrix}$$

Written plainly:

$$S_{\text{scin}} = aS_{\gamma,e^\pm} + bS_{\mu^\pm}$$

$$S_{\text{wcd}} = (1-a)S_{\gamma,e^\pm} + (1-b)S_{\mu^\pm}$$

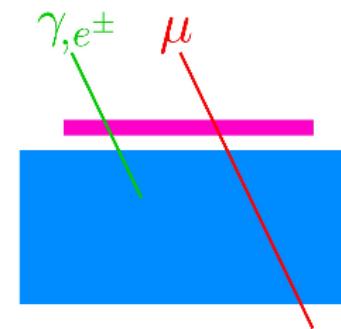
where:

$$a = \frac{S_{\text{scin}}^{\gamma,e^\pm}}{S_{\text{scin}}^{\gamma,e^\pm} + S_{\text{wcd}}^{\gamma,e^\pm}} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Fraction of total} \\ \text{electromagnetic signal} \\ \text{measured by scintillator} \end{array} \right\}$$

$$b = \frac{S_{\text{scin}}^{\mu^\pm}}{S_{\text{scin}}^{\mu^\pm} + S_{\text{wcd}}^{\mu^\pm}} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Fraction of total muonic} \\ \text{signal measured by} \\ \text{scintillator} \end{array} \right\}$$

By means of inversion:

$$S_{\mu^\pm} = \frac{1}{a-b} ((a-1)S_{\text{scin}} + aS_{\text{wcd}}) \quad \text{and} \quad S_{\text{wcd}}^{\mu^\pm} = (1-b)S_{\mu^\pm}$$



Signals are in  
MIP/VEM

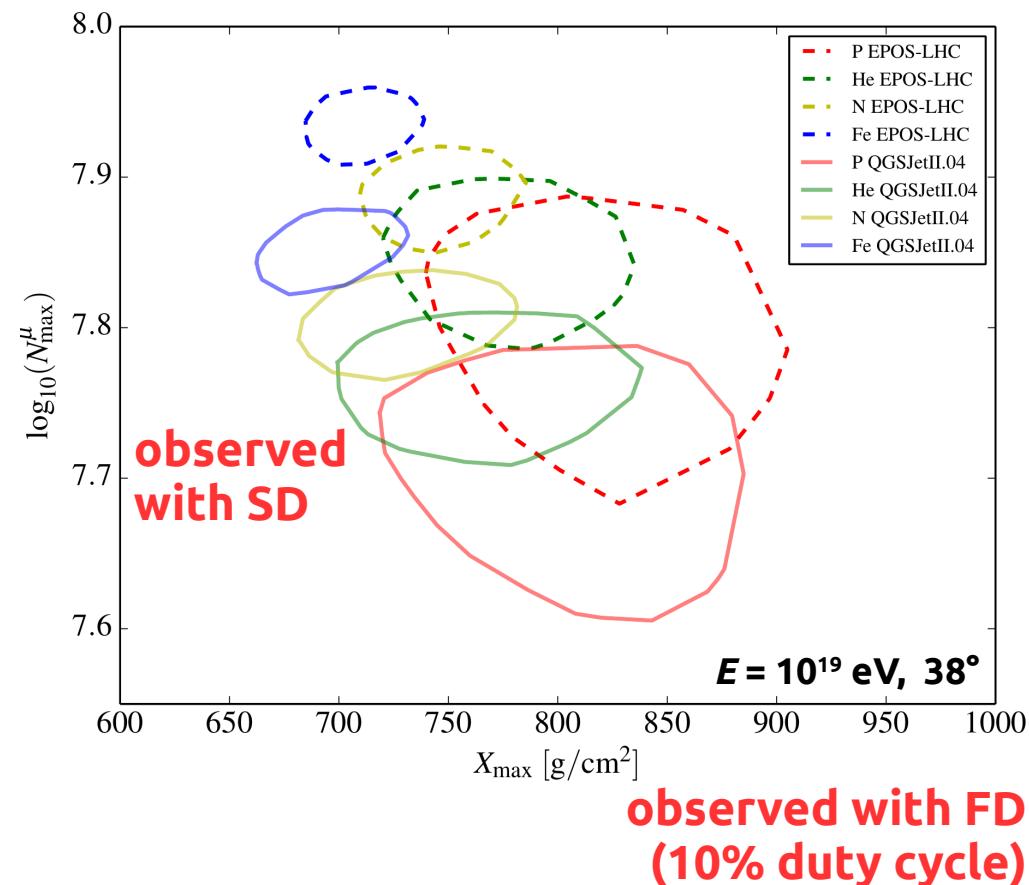
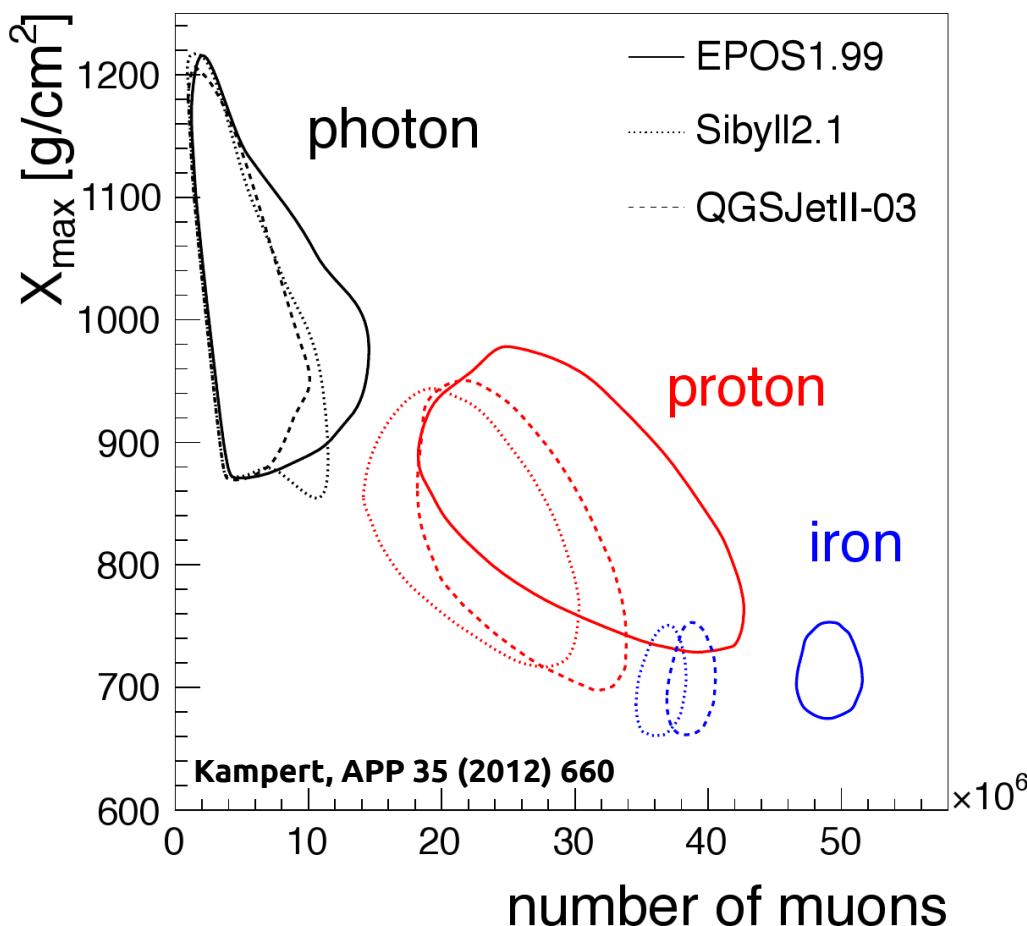
Implied sums:

$$S_{\gamma,e^\pm} = S_{\text{scin}}^{\gamma,e^\pm} + S_{\text{wcd}}^{\gamma,e^\pm}$$

$$S_{\mu^\pm} = S_{\text{scin}}^{\mu^\pm} + S_{\text{wcd}}^{\mu^\pm}$$

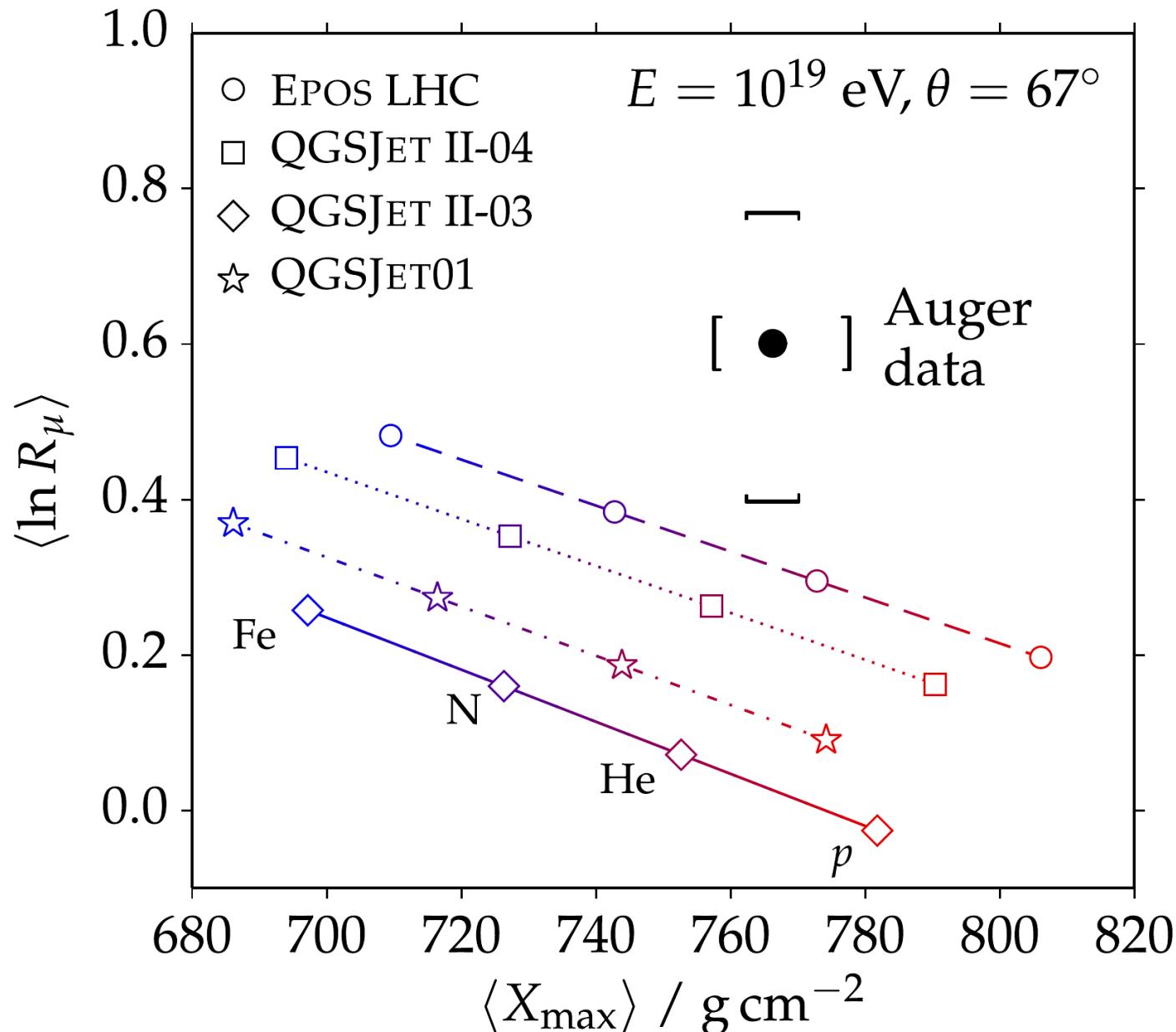
# Why Muons Matter!

- CR **composition** measurement → origin of flux suppression (sources), proton fraction (pair-production “dip”, future of astronomy with CR, predict gamma & nu flux)



- muons probe for models of hadronic interactions
- AugerPrime: upgrade → shower-to-shower determination of primary mass

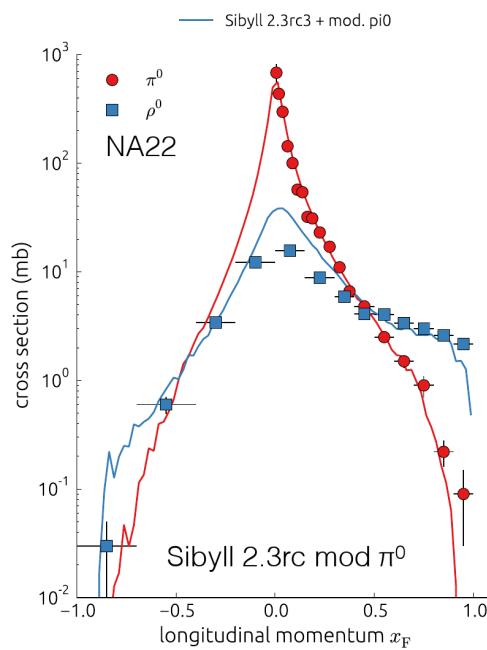
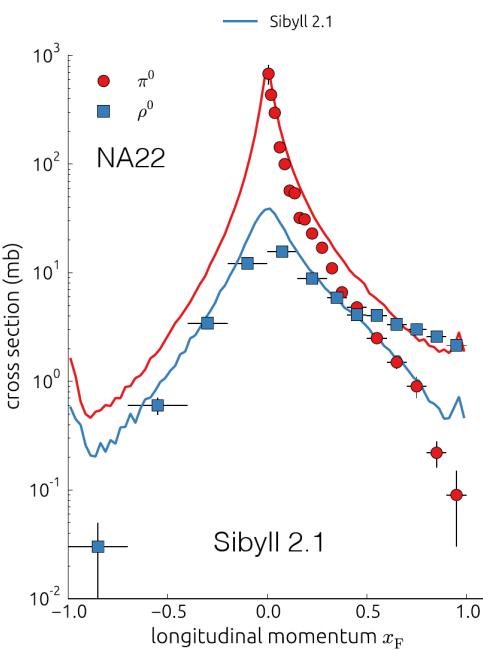
# $R_\mu$ vs. $X_{\max}$



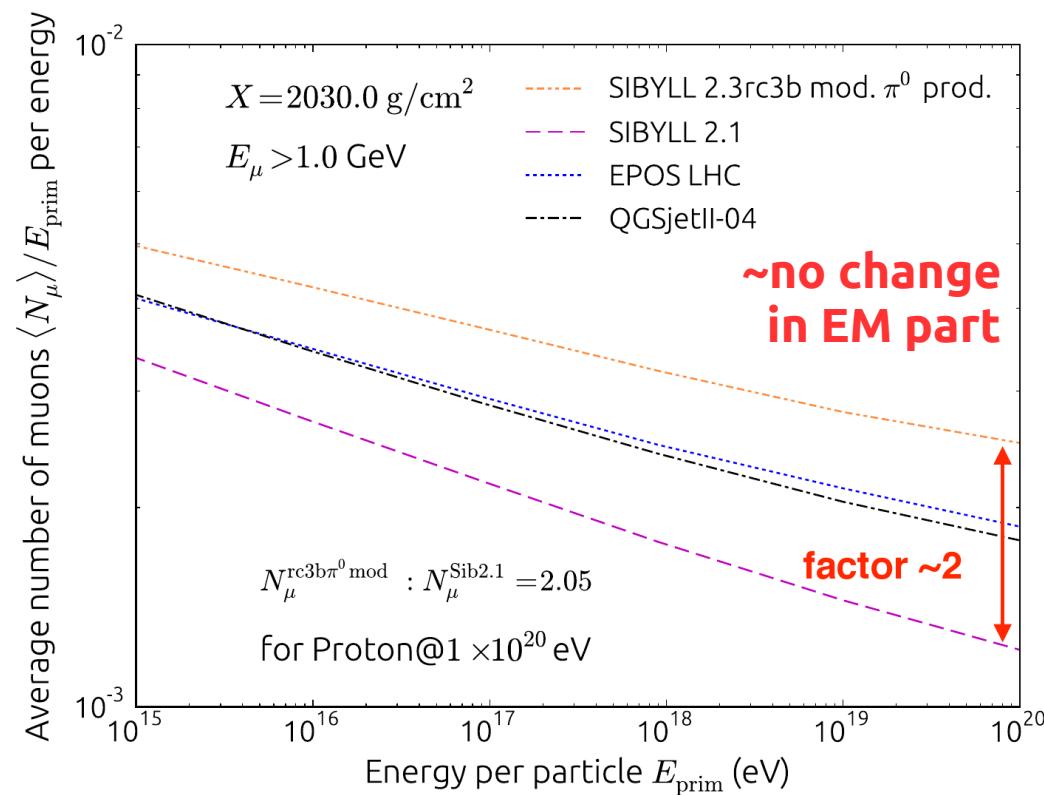
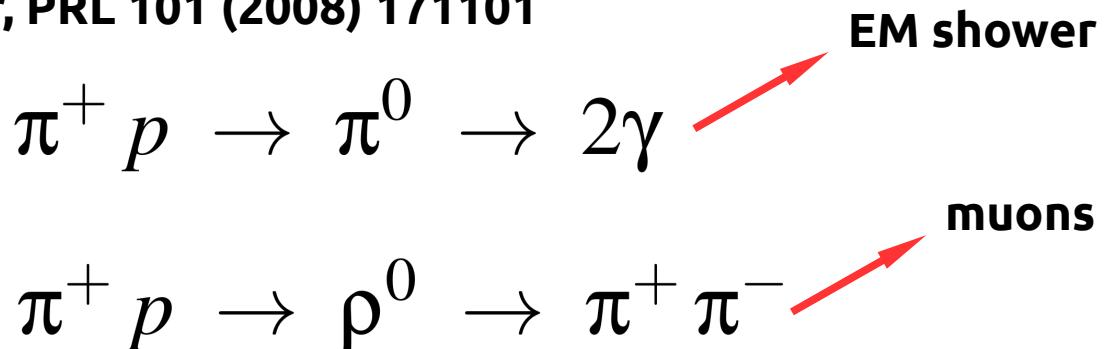
# Change in EM Transfer

- Baryon-antibaryon pair production:  
Grieder, ICRC 1973; Pierog & Werner, PRL 101 (2008) 171101
- Leading particle effect for pions:  
Drescher 2007, Ostapchenko

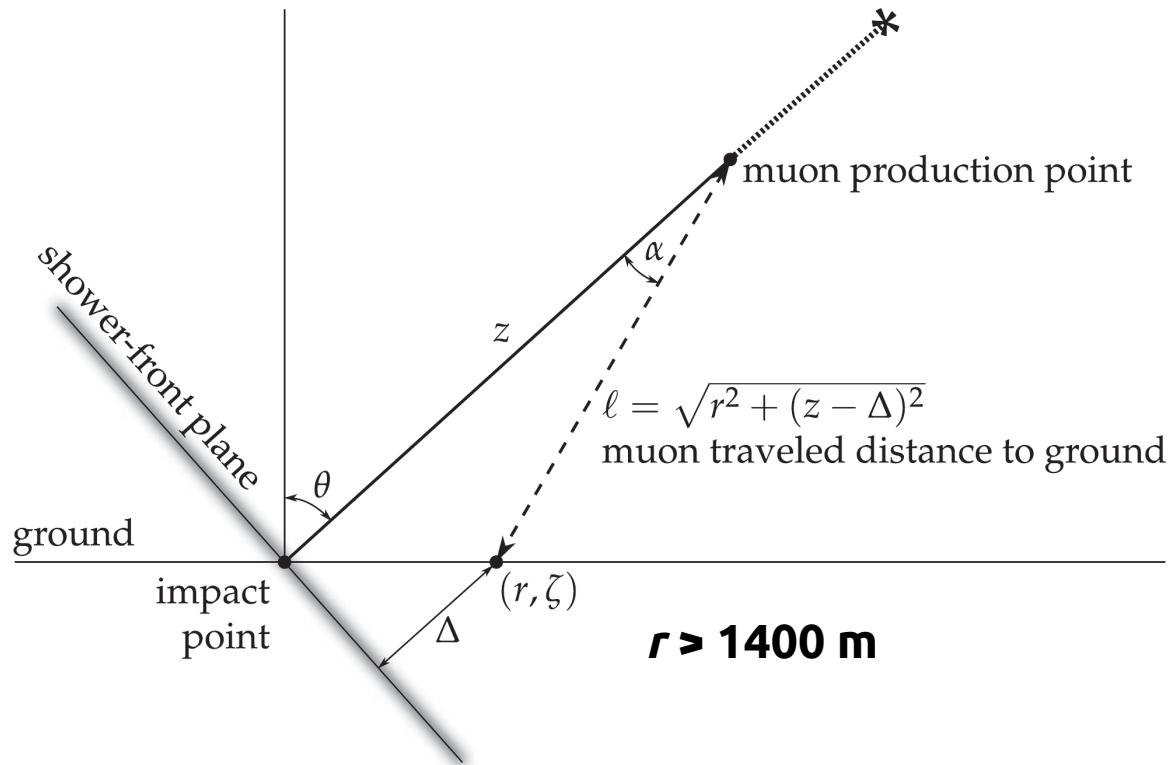
Engel, HAP Composition 2015



Riehn, HAP Composition 2015

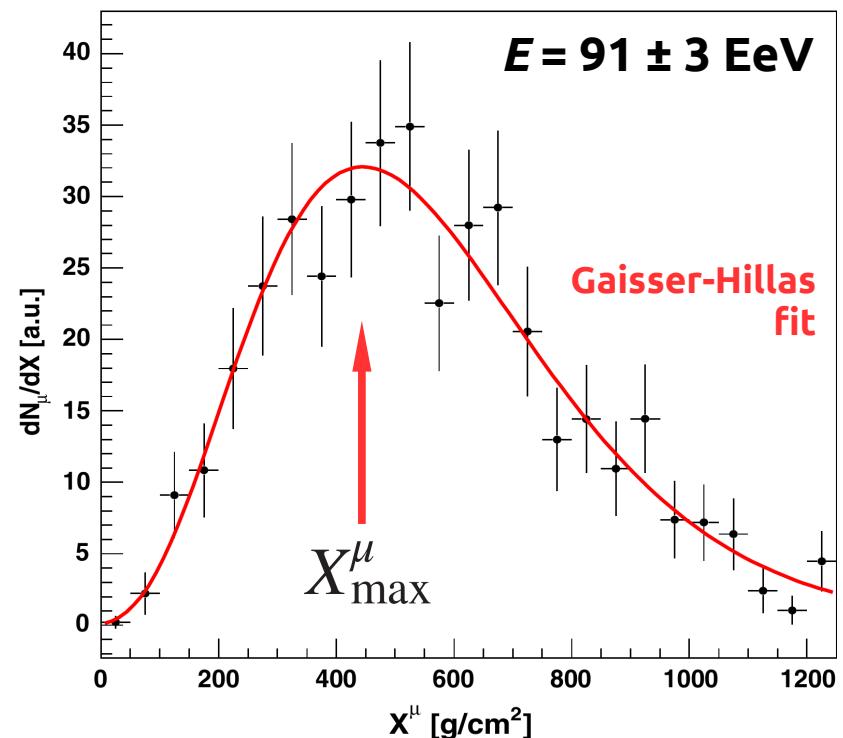
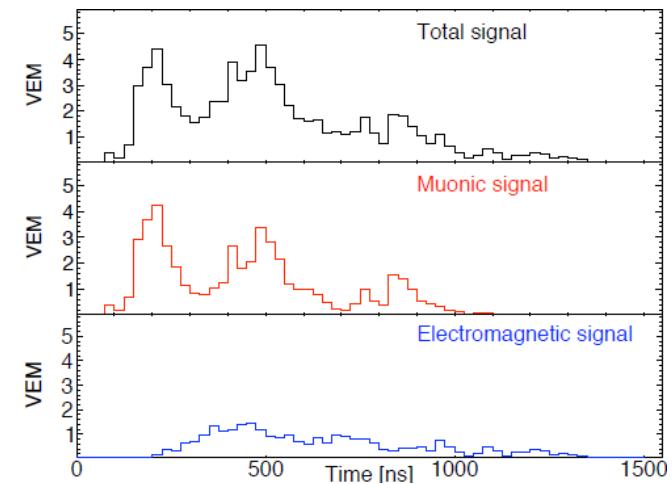


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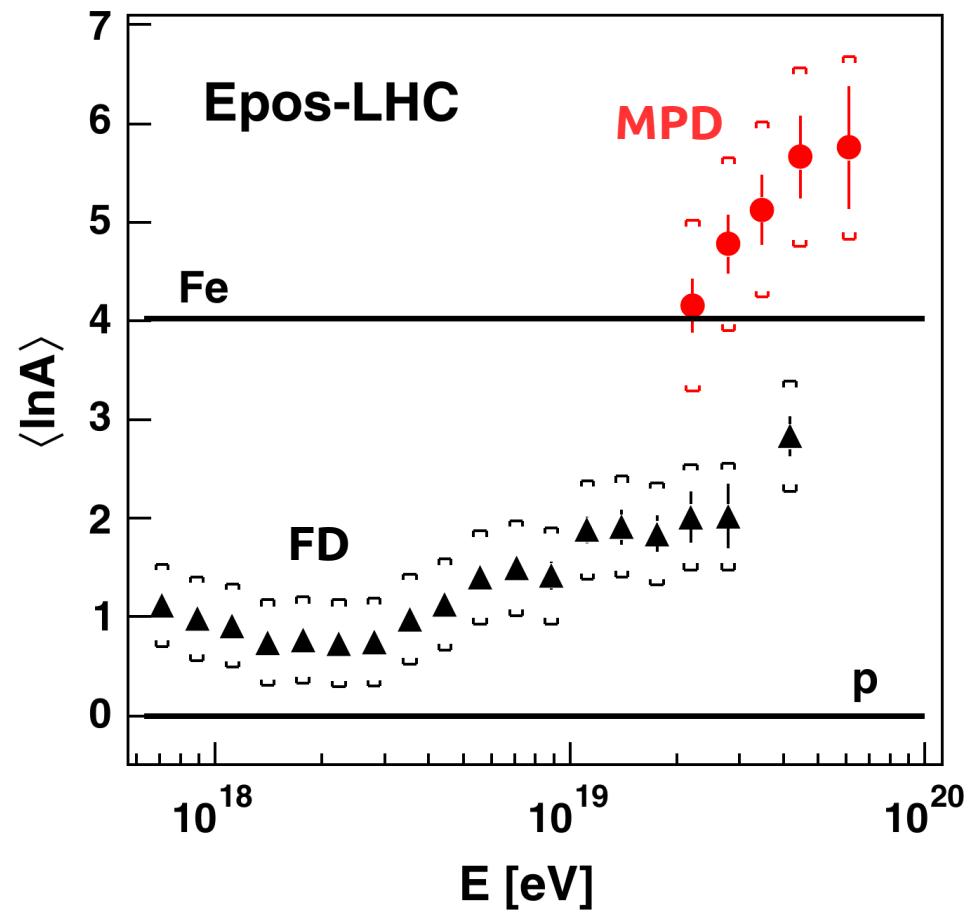
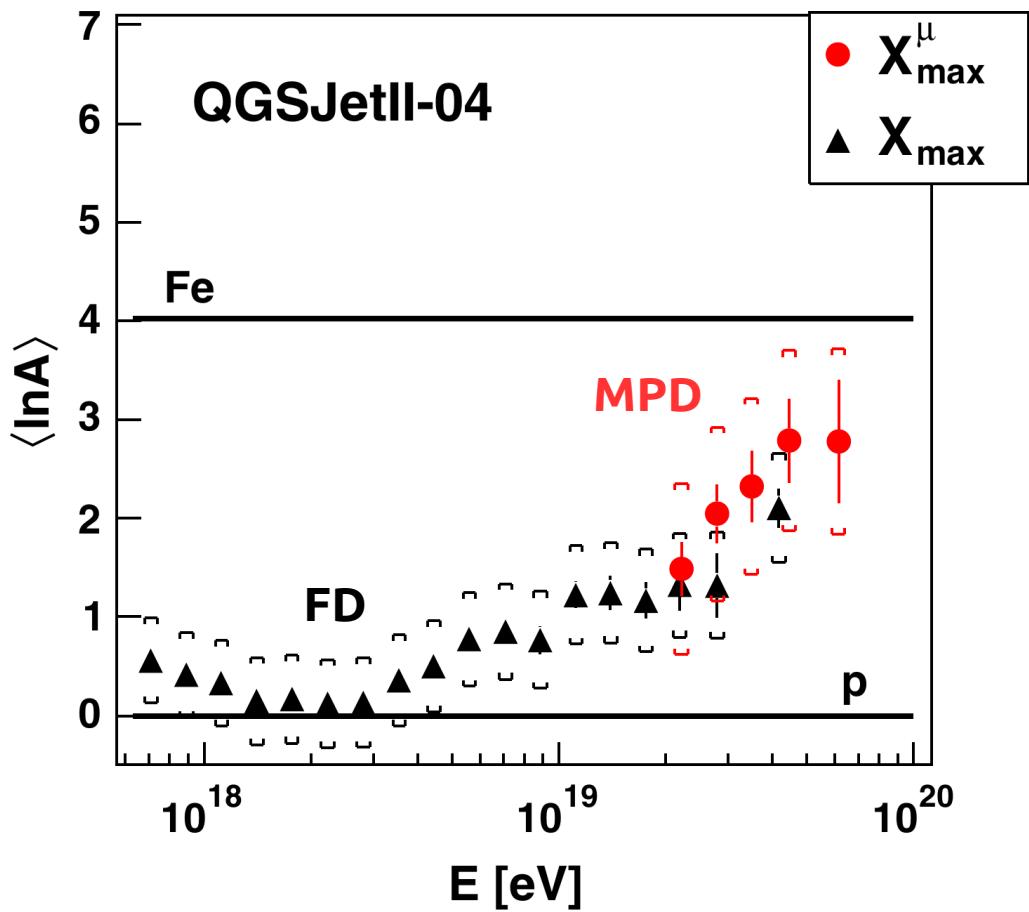


$$z \approx \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{r^2}{c(t - \langle t_e \rangle)} - c(t - \langle t_e \rangle) \right) + \Delta - \langle z_\pi \rangle$$

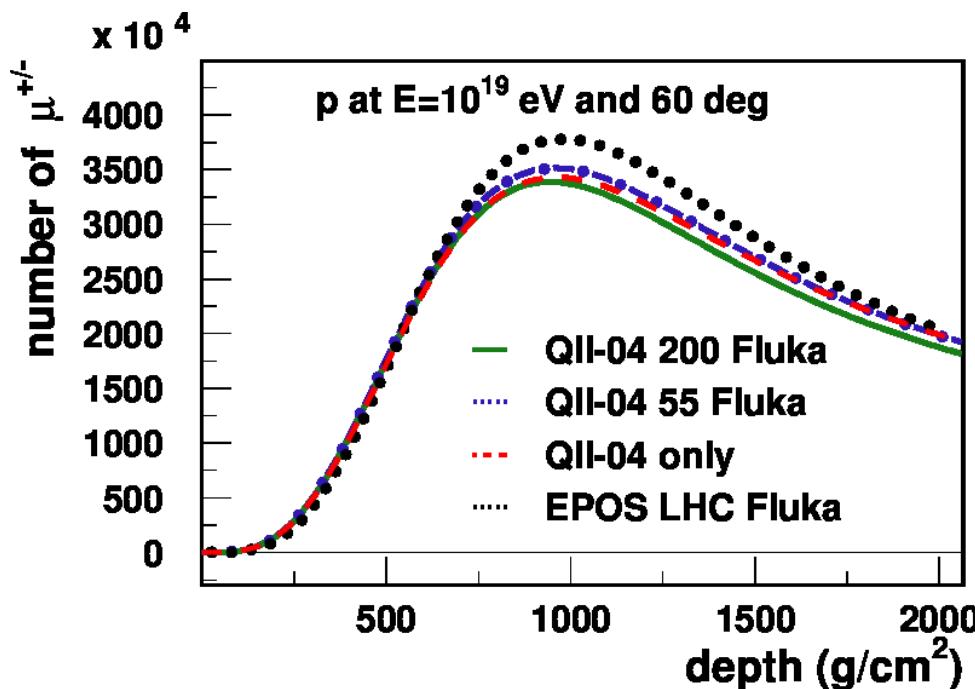
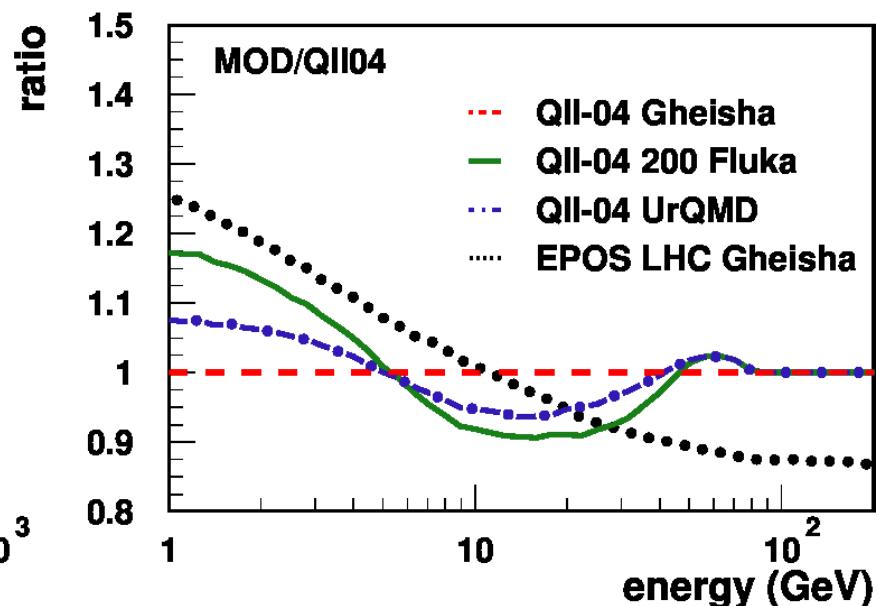
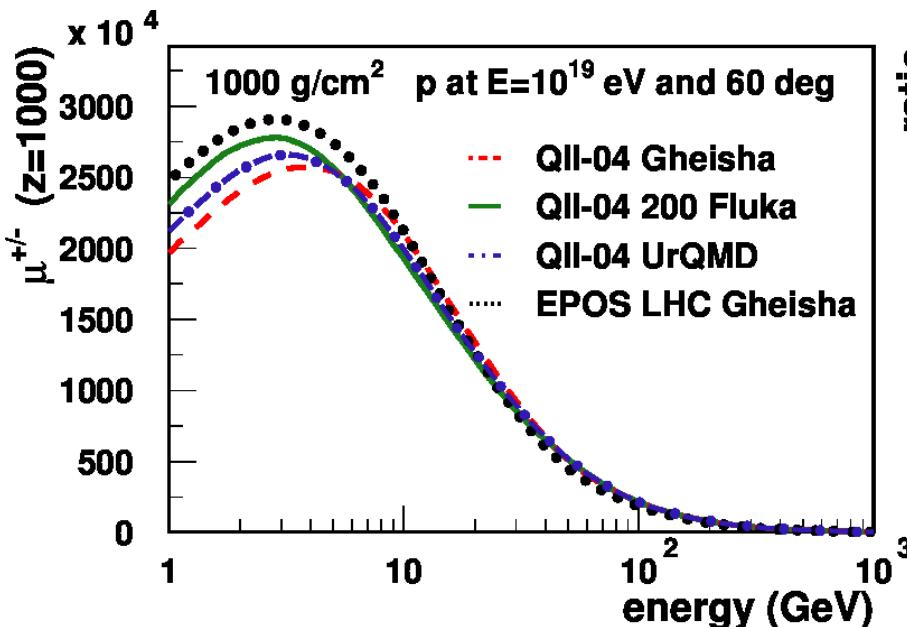
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# Current Level of Accuracy



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models start to matter