



Low-luminosity jetted
AGN

.... as particle multi-messenger sources

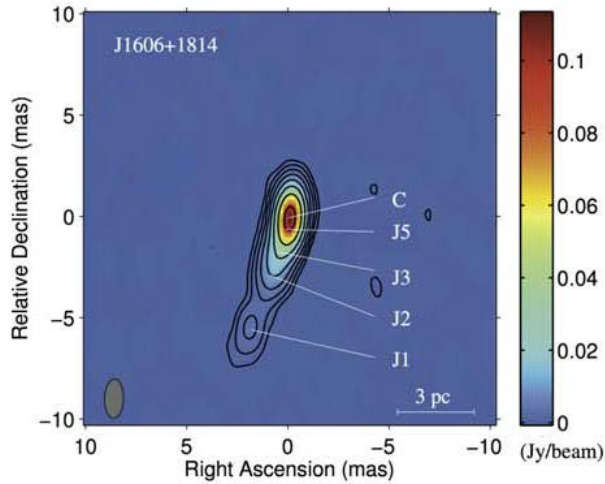
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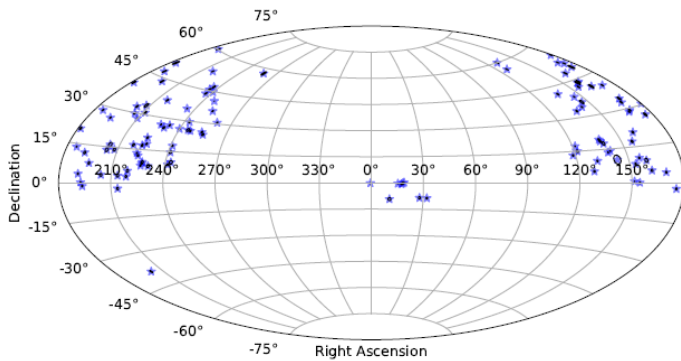
Most numerous jet population in the local Universe

- Fanaroff-Riley 0 (FR0) Radio galaxies -

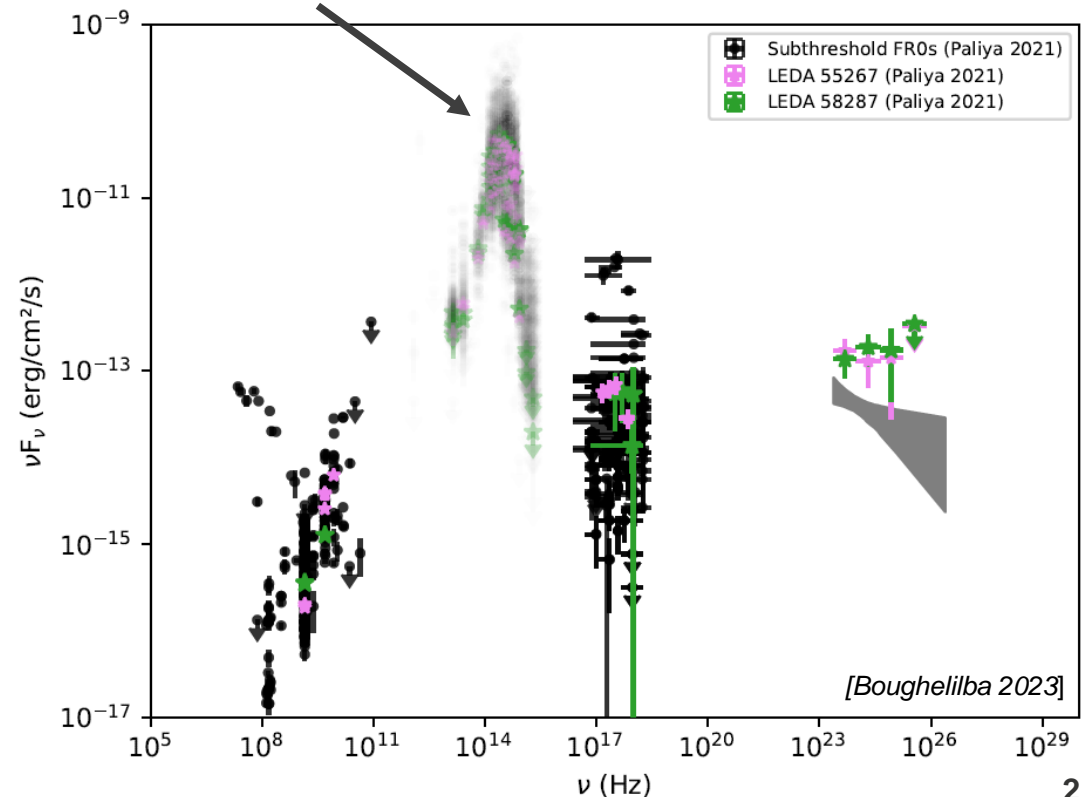
- Core-dominated, pc ... kpc jets
- $L_{\text{jet}} \approx 10^{42.5...43.5}$ erg/s
- $n_{\text{FR0}} \sim \text{a few } 10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$
- Host galaxy: $\sim 10^8...9 M_{\odot}$ Ellipticals



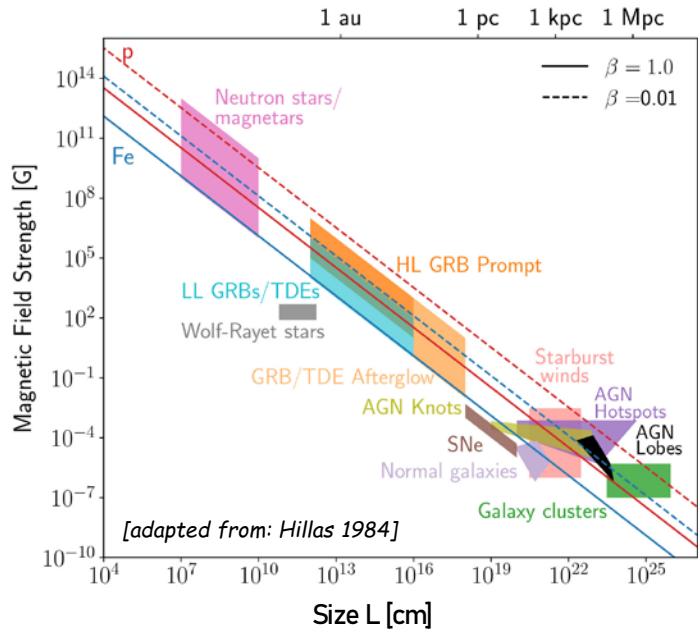
[Cheng et al 2018]



[from: Merten, Boughelilba, AR, et al 2021]



Requirements on UHECR source populations



➤ **“Hillas”-Criterion:** $E_{\max} \sim 10^{18} Z \beta (B/\mu\text{G}) (L/\text{pc}) \text{ eV}$

➤ **Source power criterion:**

$$P_{\text{source}} > 10^{43} Z^{-2} (E_{\max}/10^{19}\text{eV})^2 \text{ erg/s}$$

➤ **Population power density criterion:**

$$U_{\text{population}} \sim 10^{44 \dots 45} \text{ erg Mpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ for } E_{\text{CR}} \sim 10^{18 \dots 21} \text{ eV}$$

(within UHECR horizon)



Required population density: $\sim 10^{-8} \dots -4 \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$

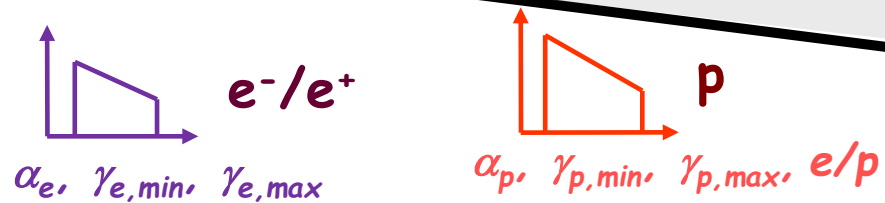
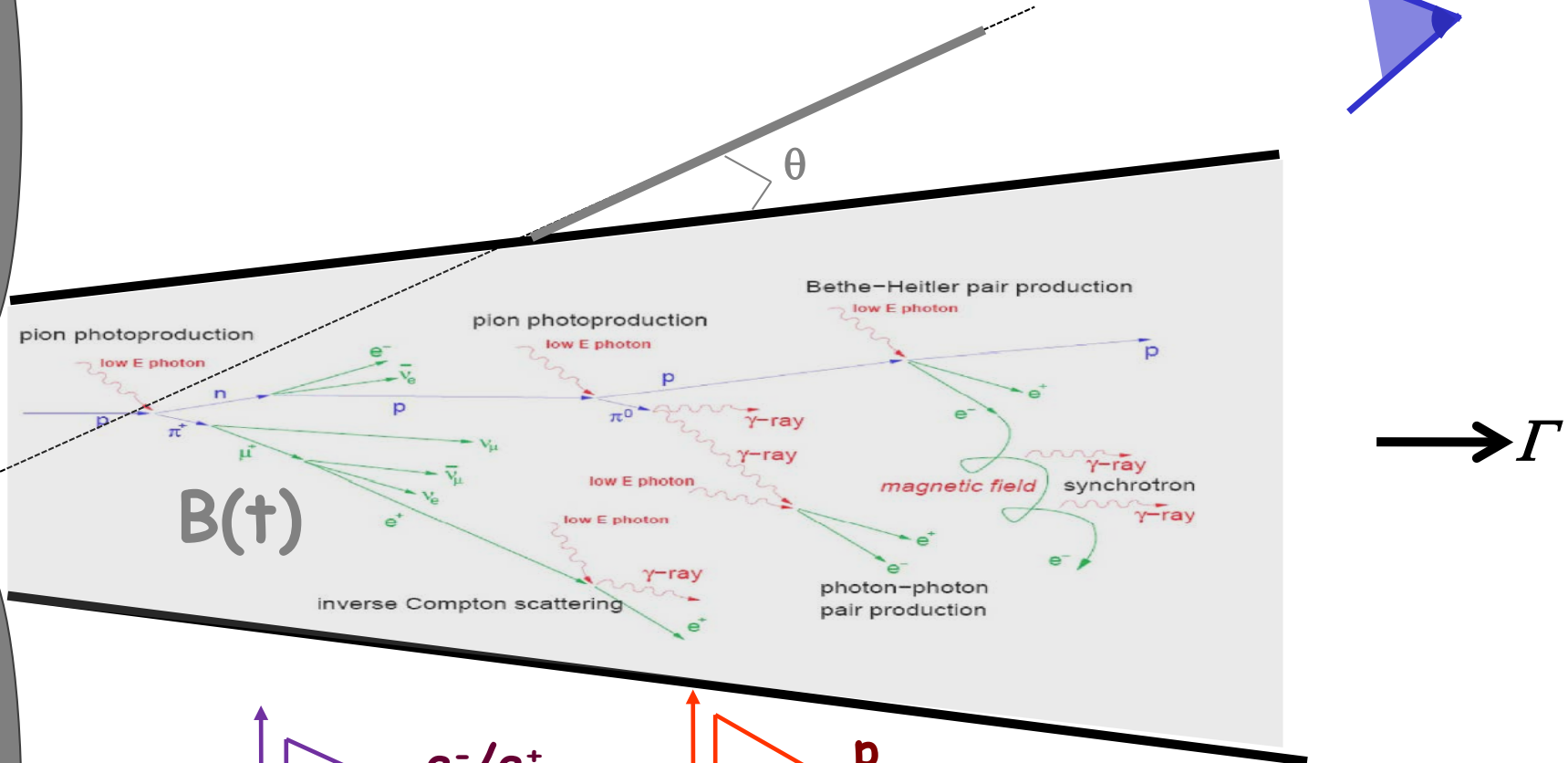
➤ **Source environment suitable for particle acceleration to sufficient high energies?**

➔ [Merten, Boughelilba, AR, et al 2021]

➤ **Photon (& ν) observations from population sources in agreement with hadronic radiation models?**

➤ **Cosmic-ray (CR) observations (spectrum, composition) in agreement with CR propagation from population sources to Earth?**

CR-ENTREES – Cosmic-Ray Energy TRansport in timE-Evolving astrophysical Settings



- **Geometry:**
 - Straight jet: fixed size R of emission region
 - Conical jet: t -evolving size $R(t)$ of emission region, jet speed v_j

→ Evolution of environment fully treated: $R(t)$, $B(t)$, $u_{rad}(t)$, 4

CR-ENTREES – Cosmic-Ray Energy TRansport in timE-Evolving astrophysical Settings

$$\partial_t F_N + \dot{F}_N^{\text{esc}} + \frac{1}{p^2} \partial_p [p^2 (\dot{p}_{\text{loss}} F_N)] + \dot{F}_N^{\text{dec}} = Q_N^{\text{inj,pr}}$$

$$\partial_t F_{\mu,\pi} + \dot{F}_{\mu,\pi}^{\text{esc}} + \frac{1}{p^2} \partial_p [p^2 (\dot{p}_{\text{loss}} F_{\mu,\pi})] + \dot{F}_{\mu,\pi}^{\text{dec}} = \dot{F}_{\mu,\pi}^{\text{p}\gamma;\text{h}}$$

$$\partial_t F_e + \dot{F}_e^{\text{esc}} + \frac{1}{p^2} \partial_p [p^2 (\dot{p}_{\text{loss}} F_e)] = Q_e^{\text{inj,pr}} + \dot{F}_e^{\gamma\gamma} + \dot{F}_e^{\text{p}\gamma}$$

$$\partial_t F_\gamma + \dot{F}_\gamma^{\text{esc}} + \dot{F}_\gamma^{\gamma\gamma} = \dot{F}_\gamma^{\text{em}} + \dot{F}_\gamma^{\text{p}\gamma;\text{h}}$$

with $F_{\text{particle}} = F_{\text{particle}}(p, t)$, $Q_{N,e}^{\text{inj,pr}} = Q_{N,e}^{\text{inj,pr}}(p, t)$, $\dot{p}_{\text{loss}} = \dot{p}_{\text{loss}}(F_\gamma(\epsilon, t), B(t); p, t)$

$$\dot{F}_e^{\text{p}\gamma} = \dot{F}_e^{\text{p}\gamma}(F_\gamma(\epsilon, t); p, t), \quad \dot{F}_e^{\gamma\gamma} = \dot{F}_e^{\gamma\gamma}(F_\gamma(\epsilon, t); p, t)$$

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- **Primary particle injection & tracking:** $\gamma, p, n, e, \pi, \mu, K, \nu_\mu, \nu_e$
 - Impulsive or continuous; normalized via $U_B/U_{\text{particles}}$
- **Secondary particles:**
 - Yields pre-calculated by corresponding event generators

CR-ENTREES – Cosmic-Ray Energy TRansport in timE-Evolving astrophysical Settings

- **Particle interactions & losses:**

Photomeson production, Bethe-Heitler pair production, decay of unstable particles, $\gamma\gamma$ -pair production, inverse Compton scattering, synchrotron radiation, particle/photon escape, adiabatic losses.

- **Target photon field:**

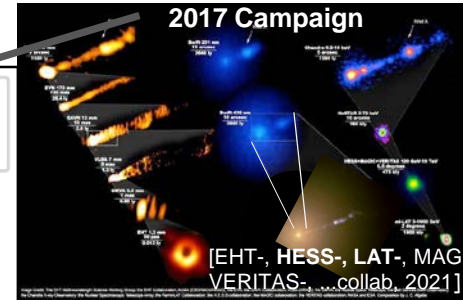
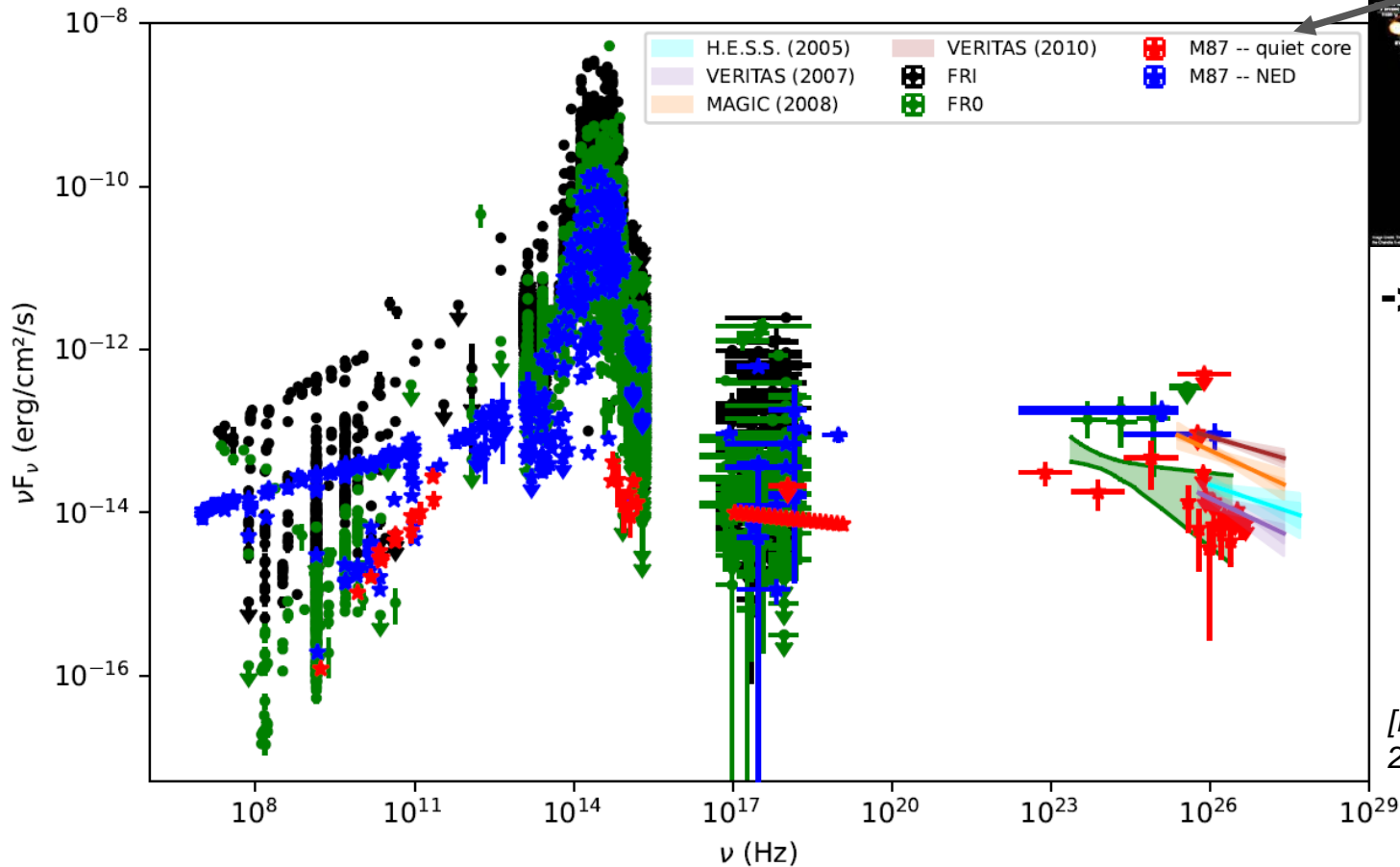
- Pre-defined or custom-filled radiation field for each energy bin (-> EBL, etc)
- Determination of internal radiation field after each time step **-> non-linearities**

- **Particle propagation:**

- fixed energy grid
- Matrix multiplication/doubling method [Protheroe '86; Protheroe & Stanev '93, Protheroe & Johnson '96] **-> calculates transfer matrices**
- Energy conservation checked in each time step

→ fast, modular propagation code for radiation-dominated CR-sources

Broadband SED of low-power radio galaxies

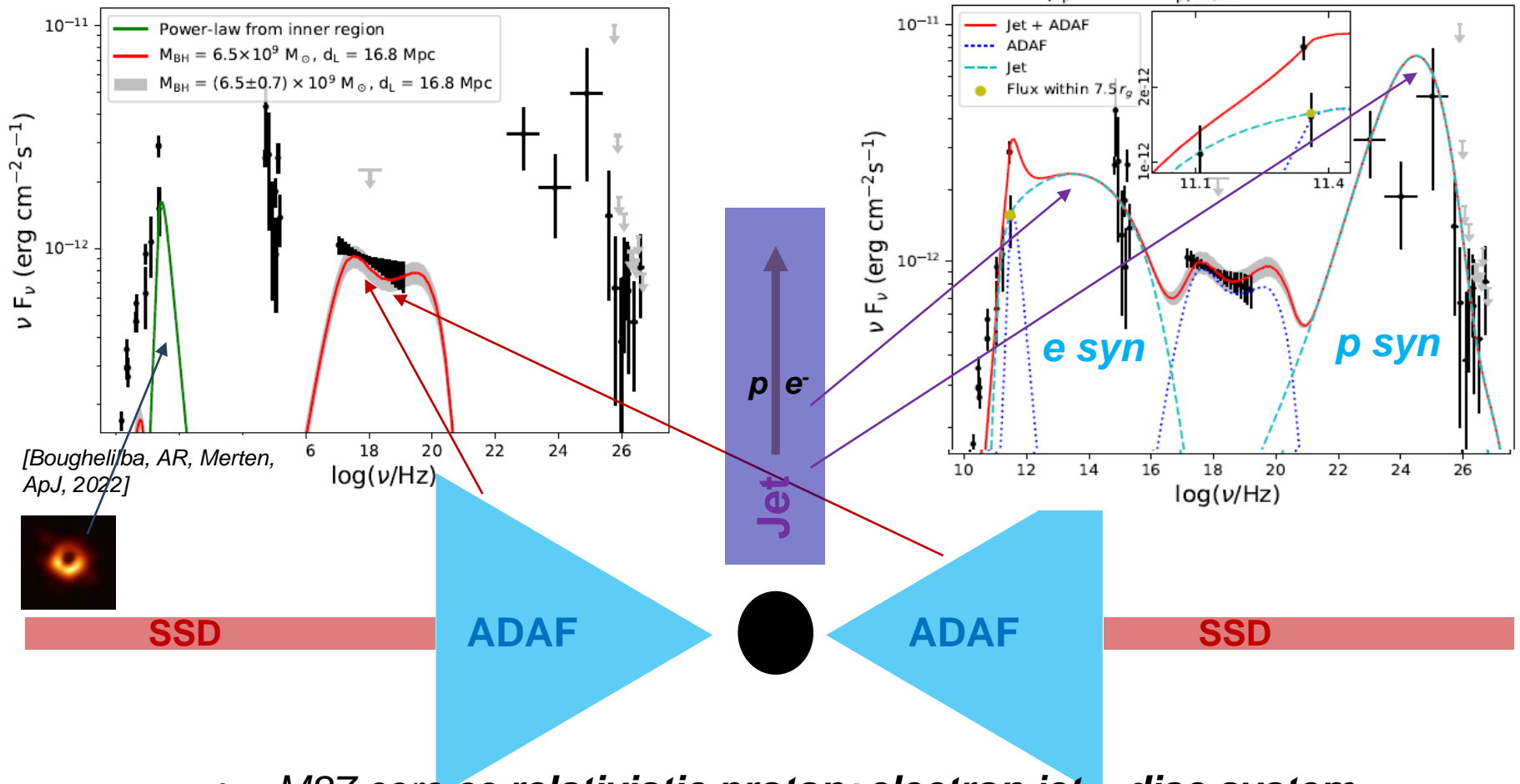


-> $B_{\text{core}} \sim 5 \dots 60 \text{ G}$
[EHT-collab. '21]

[Boughelilba & AR,
2023, ApJL, accepted]

Striking similarity of broadband photon emission between
quiet core M87 (FR1) & typical FR0 core!

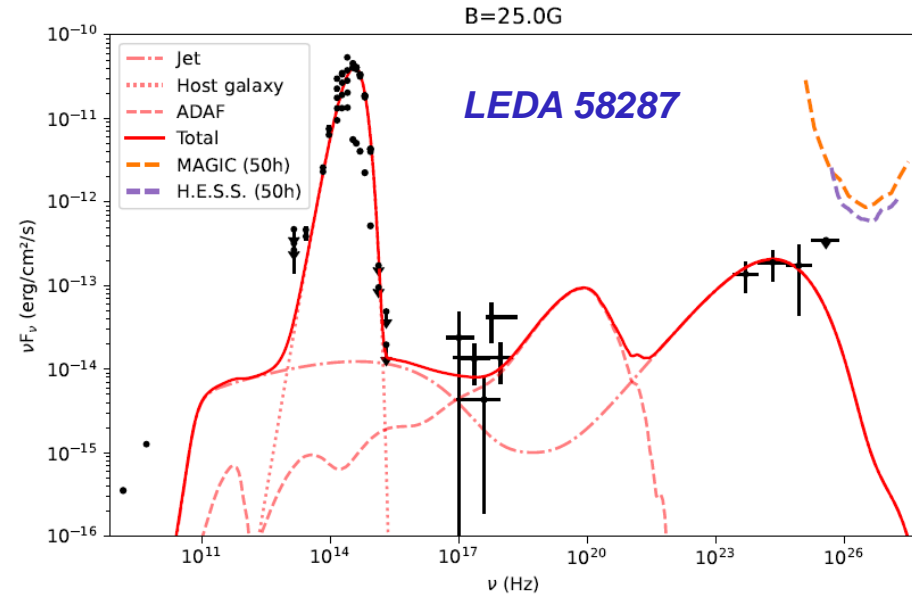
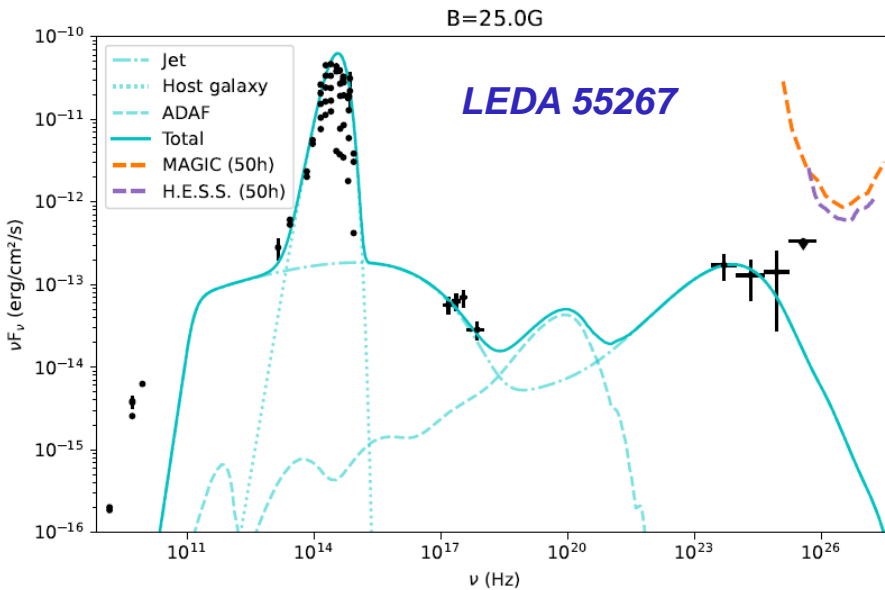
Hadronic jet-disc model for M87



- M87 core as **relativistic proton+electron jet – disc system**
- **Close-to-equipartition parameters model core SED of M87**
- **Weak ν -emitter in IceCube energy range**

Hadronic jet-disc model for FR0s

[Boughelilba & AR, 2023, ApJL, accepted]



ADAF parameters:

$$\alpha_{\text{viscosity}} \sim 0.1$$

$$\beta_{\text{gas}} \sim 0.99$$

$$\dot{M}_{\text{out}} \sim 10^{-3 \dots -4} \dot{M}_{\text{edd}} (r/r_{\text{out}})^{0.1}$$

Jet parameters:

$$R_{\text{em}} \sim \text{a few } 10^{15} \text{ cm}, \quad \Gamma_j \sim 1.2$$

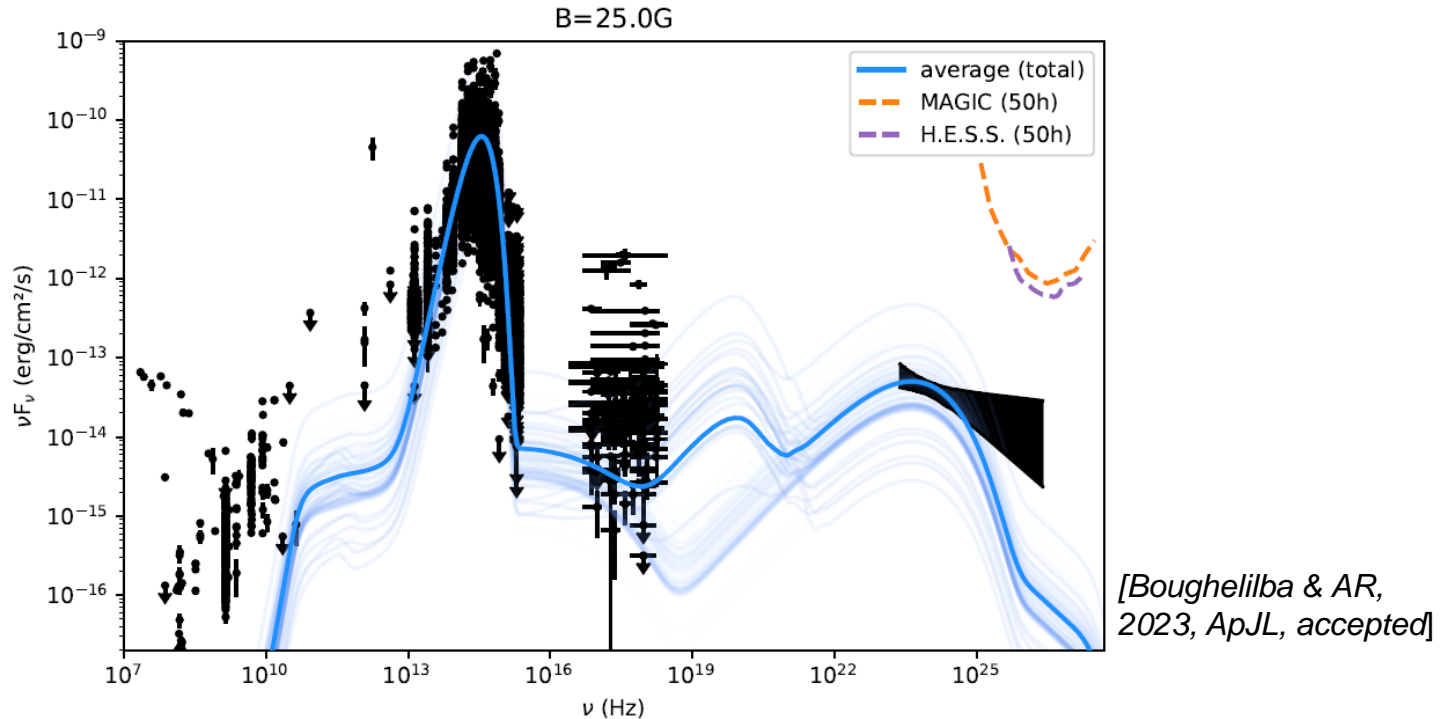
$$B \sim 25 - 50 \text{ G}$$

$$E_{p,\text{max}} \sim \text{a few } 10^{18} \text{ eV}, \quad p_p \sim 1.7 \sim p_e$$

$$U_{\text{part}}/U_B \sim 0.01 \dots 0.5, \quad P_{\text{jet}} \sim (1-3) \times 10^{43} \text{ erg/s}$$

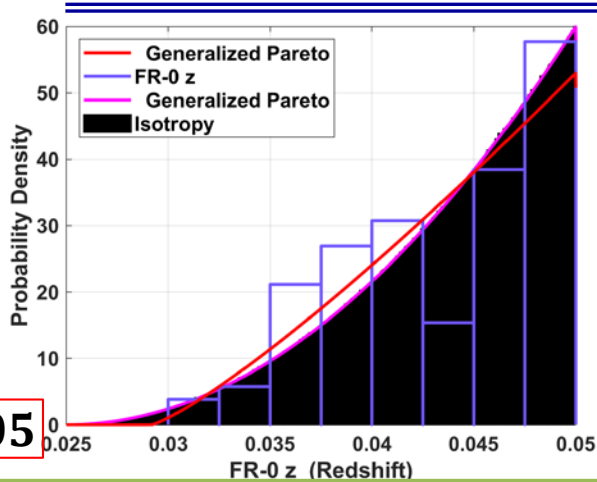
-> Slow, strongly magnetized jet containing CR-p reaching a few EeV

Hadronic jet-disc model for FR0 population



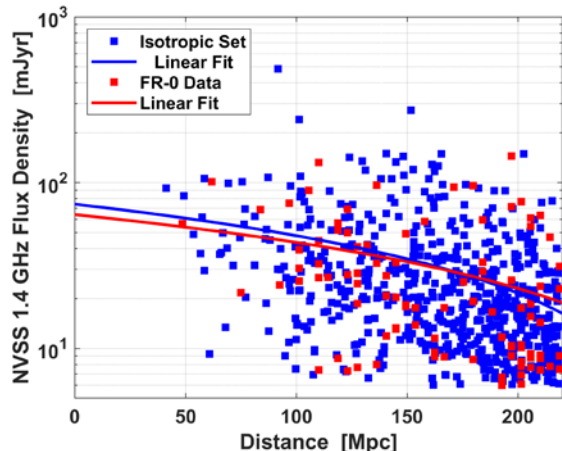
- *FR0s as relativistic proton+electron jet – ADAF system*
- *Close-to-equipartition parameters model core SED of FR0s*
- *Can potentially contribute significantly to **UHECR-flux** up to a few 10^{18} eV*
- ***Weak neutrino emitter** $\leq 10^{-13} \text{ GeV cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ ($E_{\nu,peak} \sim 0.1...1 \text{ EeV}$)*
- ***Distinct signature of ADAF emission predicted in MeV-band***

UHECR FR0 combined fit

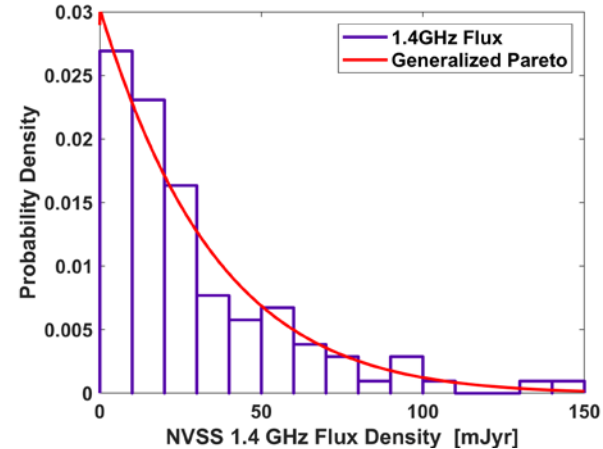


CRPropa 3 intergalactic propagated five nuclei (proton, helium, nitrogen, silicon, & iron) UHECR primaries through CMB, IRB, & URB interactions [2].

Simulated FR-0 redshift distribution from catalog data [1].



Local source evolution modeled by correlation of radio output & redshift [1].



FR-0 UHECR flux \propto radio output [1].

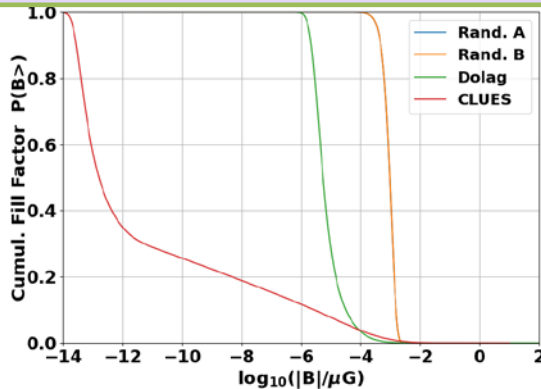
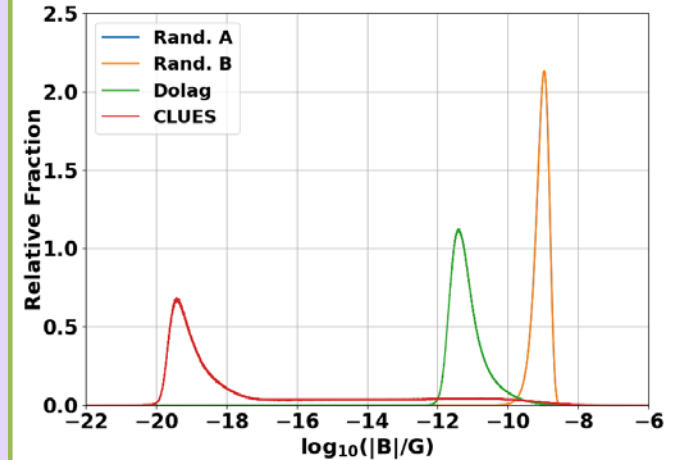
[1] Baldi, R. D. et al., A&A 609 (2018) A1.

[2] Merten, L. et al., Astropart. Phys. 128 (2021) 102564.

UHECR FR0 combined fit

MODELS:

- Two EAS Models: EPOS-LHC & QGSJETII-04
- Structured Fields:
 - Dolag et al. [arXiv:0410419](https://arxiv.org/abs/0410419)
 - Hackenstein et al. (Astro_1B): [arXiv:1710.01353](https://arxiv.org/abs/1710.01353)
- 1 nG Random Fields, Kolmogorov power spec:
 - $\langle l_{\text{corr}} \rangle = 234 \text{ kpc}$ & $\langle l_{\text{corr}} \rangle = 647 \text{ kpc}$
- No magnetic Field



Injection:

$$\frac{dN_A}{dE} = J_A(E) = f_A J_0 \left(\frac{E}{10^{18} \text{ eV}} \right)^{-\gamma} \times f_{\text{cut}}(E, Z_A R_{\text{cut}})$$

$$f_{\text{cut}}(E, Z_A R_{\text{cut}}) = \begin{cases} 1 & (E < Z_A R_{\text{cut}}) \\ \exp\left(1 - \frac{E}{Z_A R_{\text{cut}}}\right) & (E > Z_A R_{\text{cut}}) \end{cases}$$

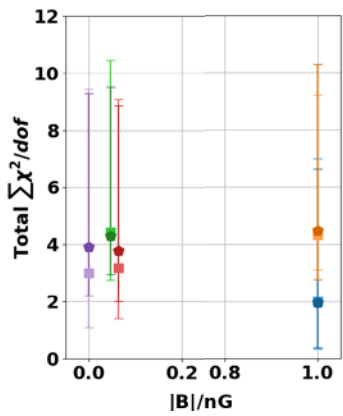
- Constant nuclei fraction: f_A
- Rigidity dependent cutoff: $Z R_{\text{cut}}$

Auger JCAP (2017) [arXiv:1612.07155](https://arxiv.org/abs/1612.07155)

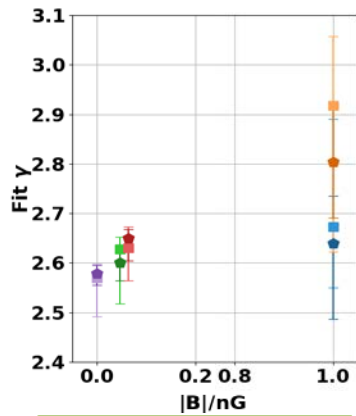
Minimize

$$\sum \chi_{\text{tot}}^2 / \text{dof} = \sum \chi_E^2 / \text{dof}_E + \sum \chi_C^2 / \text{dof}_C$$

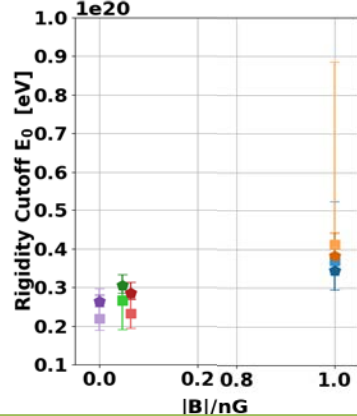
UHECR FR0 combined fit – Parameter results



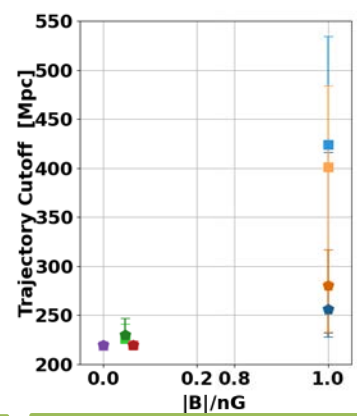
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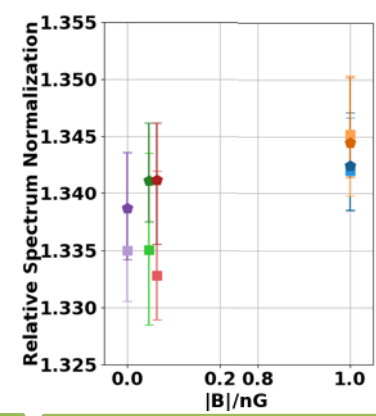
Power Law γ



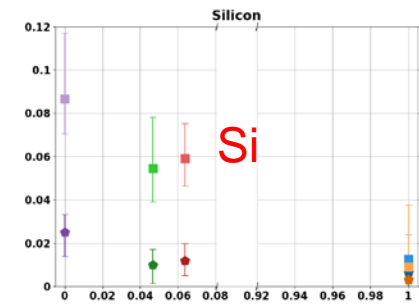
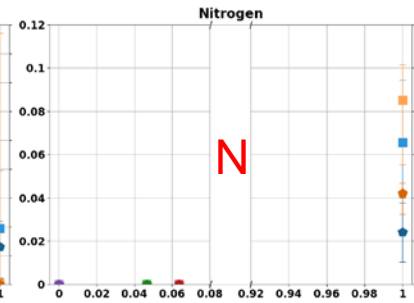
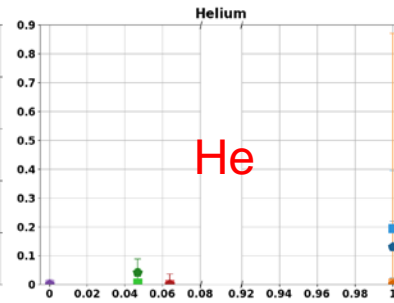
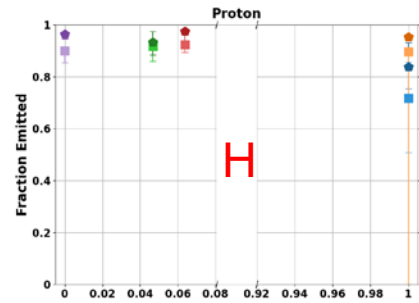
Rigidity Cut R_{cut}



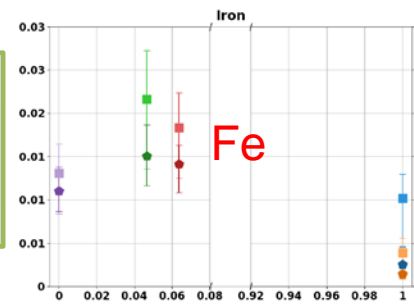
Traject. Cut D_{cut}



Spectrum Norm

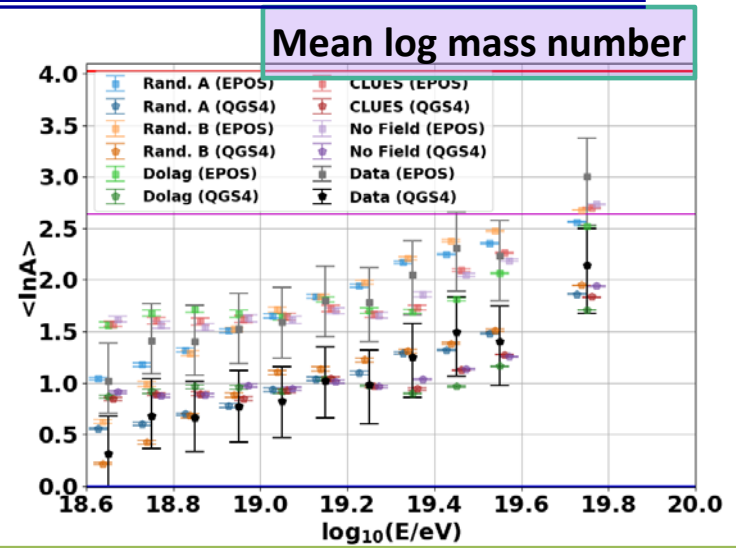
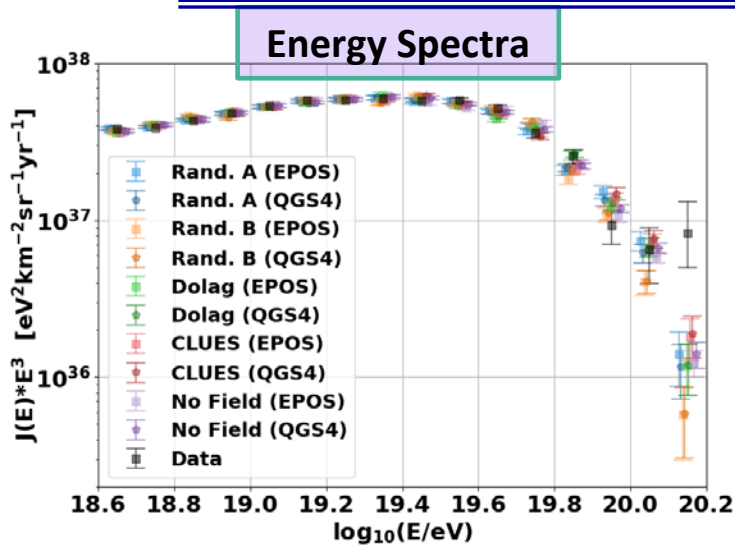


FR0 Emitted Nuclei Fraction



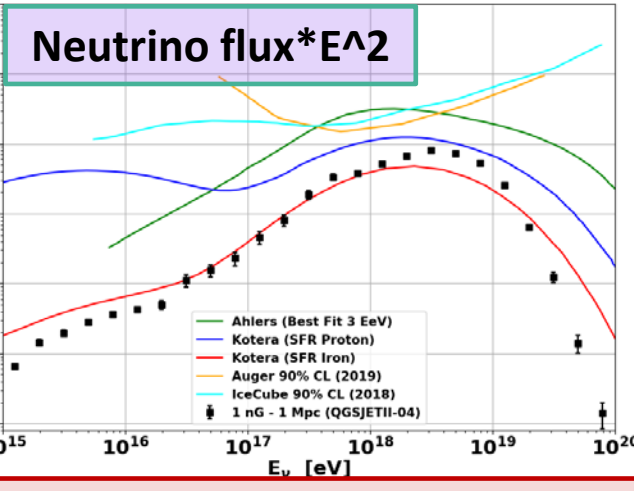
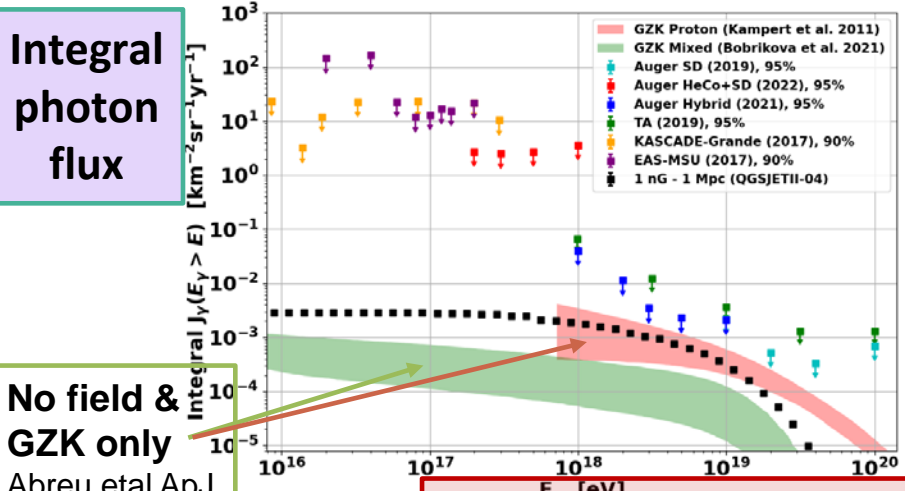
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- Rand. A (EPOS)
- Rand. A (QGS4)
- Rand. B (EPOS)
- Rand. B (QGS4)

UHECR FR0 combined fit – Fitting observables



FR0 not significant at highest energies.

Larger magnetic field fits lower energies.



Kotera et al: JCAP (2010)
[arXiv:1009.1382](https://arxiv.org/abs/1009.1382)
 Ahlers et al: Astropart.Phys. (2010)
[arXiv:1005.2620](https://arxiv.org/abs/1005.2620)
 IceCube: Phys.Rev.D(2018)
[arXiv:1807.01820](https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.01820)
 Auger: JCAP (2019)
[arXiv:1906.07422](https://arxiv.org/abs/1906.07422)

Best Fit: (1 nG – 234 kpc, EPOS or QGSJETII-04)

No field & GZK only
 Abreu et al ApJ (2022)

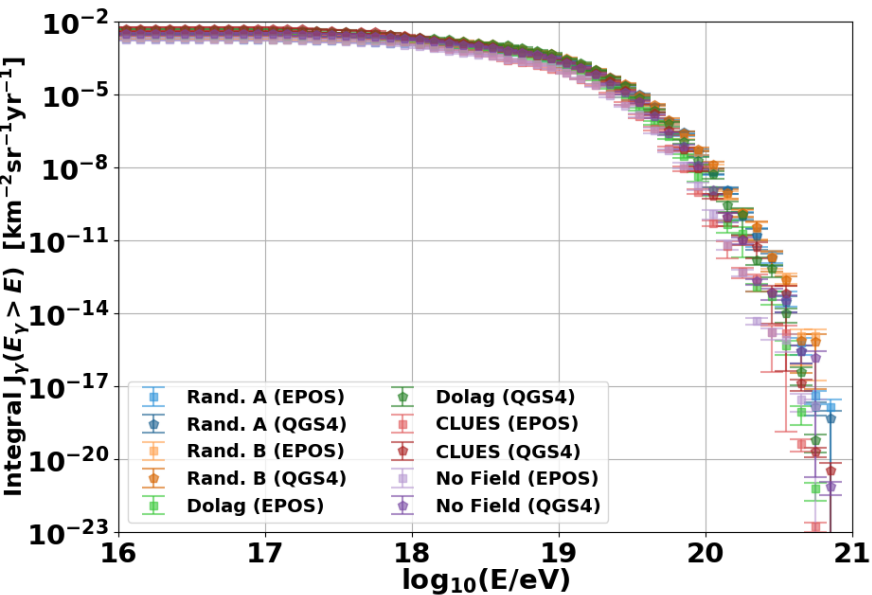
Conclusions

- **FR0s** as most numerous jetted LLAGN **promising to contribute to UHECR-flux**
- **Lepto-hadronic jet-disc model** for core-emission from quiet LLAGN-jets **predicts:**
 - **close-to-equipartition conditions** in **core region**, **CR p-flux \leq a few EeV (FR0)**
 - **characteristic MeV-feature** in photon SED of **FR0s from accretion flow**
 - **weak γ - & ν -emitter**
- CR-emitting **FR0** population **fits UHECR-observations** (spectrum, composition) **except @ highest energies (≥ 100 EeV)**
 - Best Fit: **1 nG random field, 234 kpc corr length, QGSJETII-04 (or EPOS)**
- Source energy spectral index $\gamma \sim -2.6 \dots -2.9$, emitted composition dominated by p
- **Cosmogenic γ -ray (ν -) flux** from $z \leq 0.05$ FR0 source sample **similar to pure p (Fe) composition**

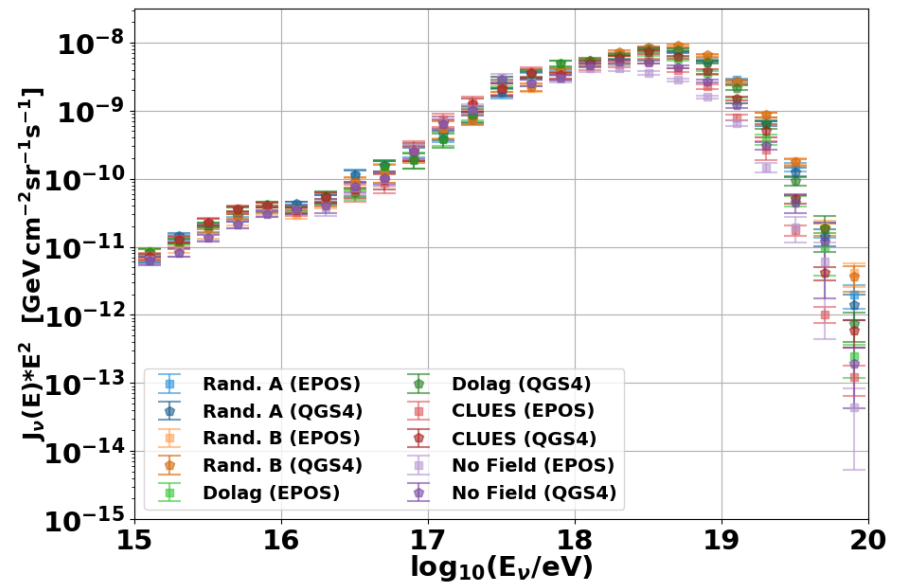


- Back-up slides -

MODEL COMPARISONS

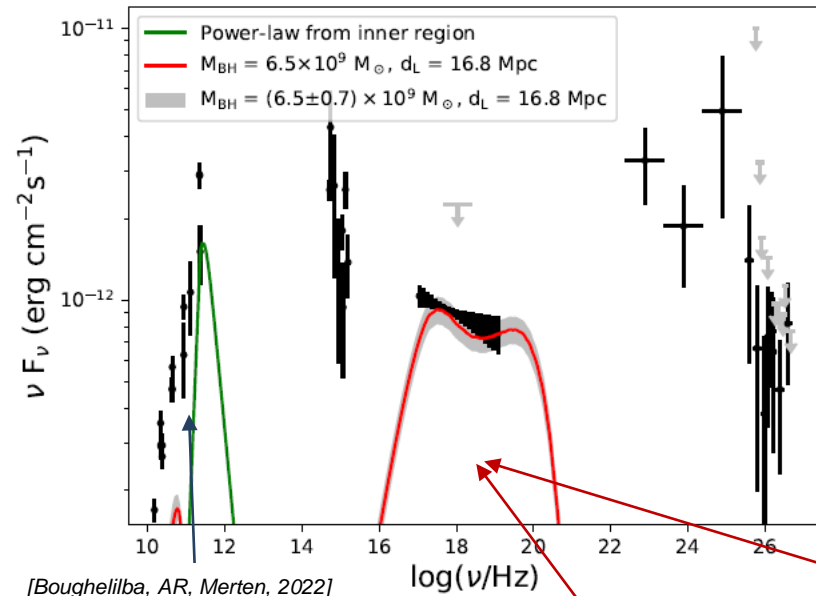


Integral photon flux for all models



Neutrino flux for all models

Hadronic Jet-Disc Model for M87

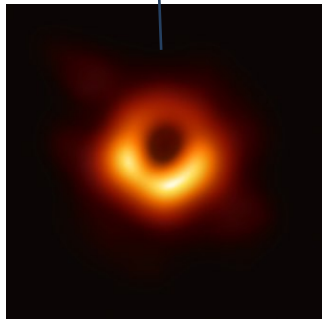
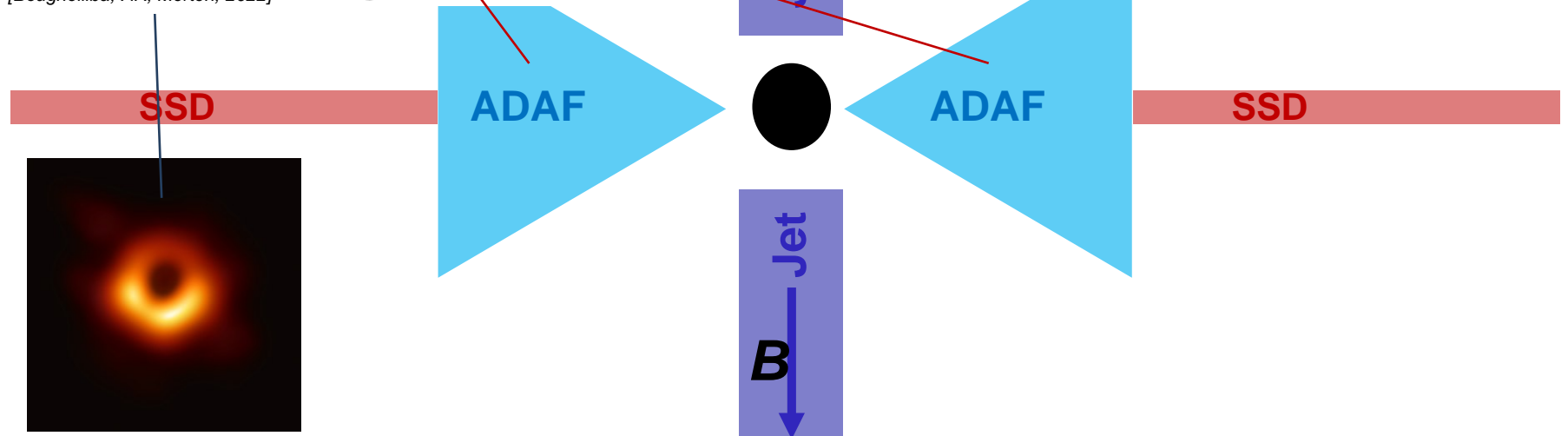


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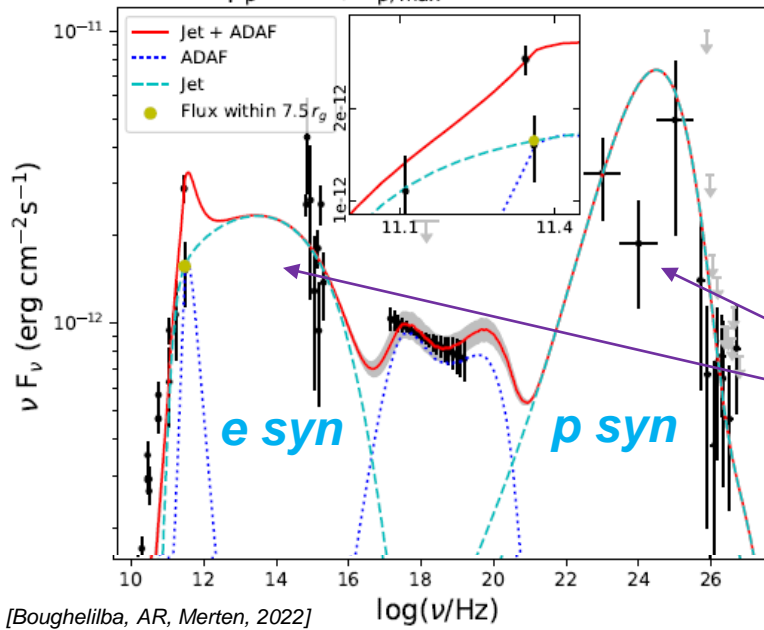
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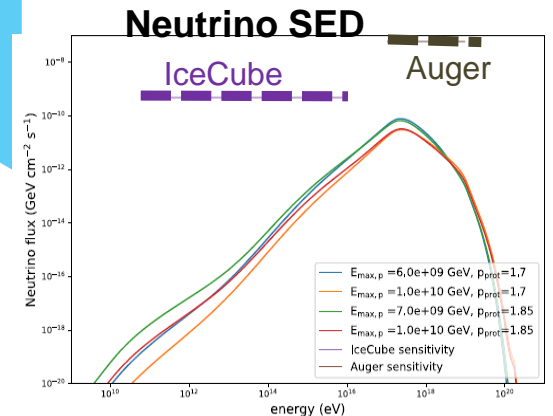
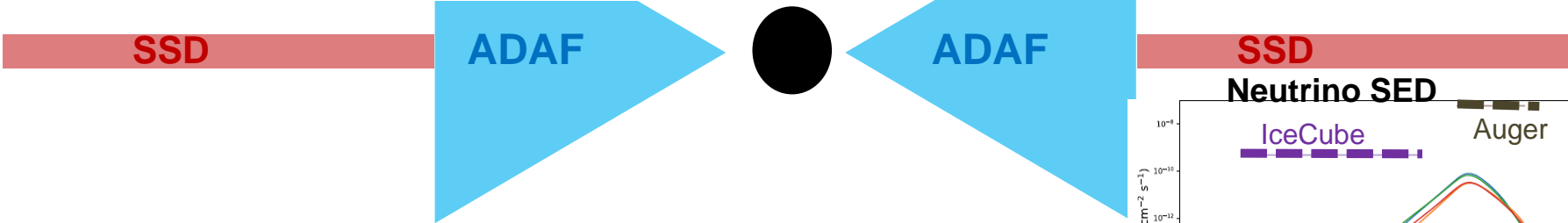
Hadronic Jet-Disc Model for M87



[Boughelilba, AR, Merten, 2022]

Jet parameters:

- $R_{em} \sim 5r_g, \delta_j \sim 2.3$
- $B \sim 10 \text{ (...} 50) \text{ G}$
- $E_{pmax} \sim \text{a few } 10^{10} \text{ GeV}, p_p \sim 1.7...1.9$
- $E_{emax} \sim 3 \text{ GeV}, p_e \sim 1.8...1.9$
- $U_{part}/U_B \sim 0.6 \dots 1.3$
- $P_{jet} \sim 2...4 \cdot 10^{43} \text{ erg/s}$

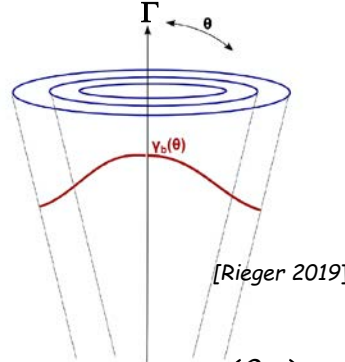
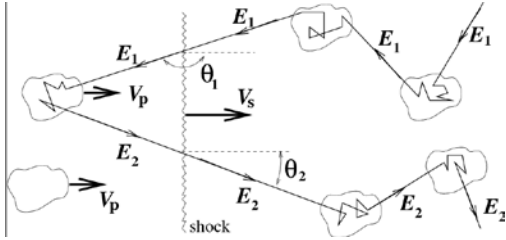


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- *Close-to-equipartition parameters model core SED*
- *Weak neutrino emitter in IceCube energy range*

FR0 as UHECR candidate sources

[Merten, Boughelilba, AR, et al 2021]

- Particle acceleration:**



[Rieger 2019]

$$R_{\text{Fermi I}}^{\text{Bohm}} \sim \frac{u_s q B}{E}$$

$$R_{\text{shear}}^{\text{Bohm}} \sim \Gamma^4 \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right)^2 \frac{E}{Bq}$$

- Particle energy losses:**

**Photo-disintegration,
photomeson production,
Bethe-Heitler pair production,
synchrotron radiation**

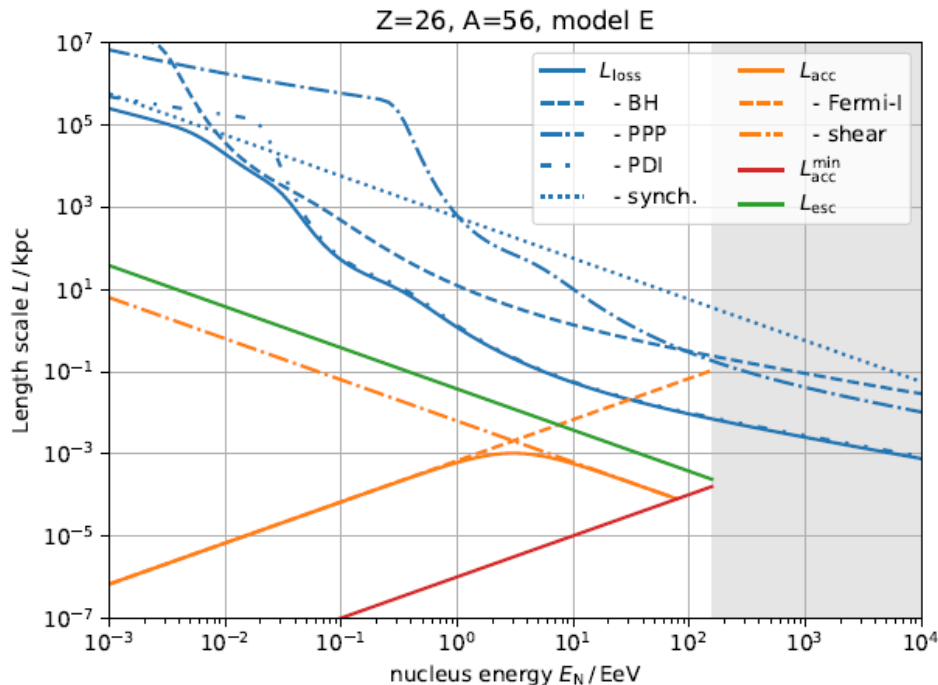


Table 3: Maximum Energy in the jet frame. Here the Bohm diffusion scenario is shown where the X-1 model is pure Fermi-I, and the X-2 models use the hybrid approach. The shock speed was fixed at $u_s = 0.1c$.

model	$\log_{10}(E'_{\text{max}}/\text{eV})$					$\langle \log_{10}(\zeta'_{\text{max}}/V) \rangle$
	p	He	N	Si	Fe	
B-1	17.9	18.0	18.4	18.8	19.1	17.70 ± 0.11
C-1	17.1	17.3	17.6	17.9	18.3	16.90 ± 0.14
D-1	17.2	17.4	17.7	18.1	18.4	17.02 ± 0.12
E-1	17.4	17.8	18.3	18.6	18.8	17.44 ± 0.04
F-1	17.4	17.7	18.2	18.5	18.8	17.38 ± 0.02
B-2	19.2	19.5	20.0	20.3	20.6	19.18 ± 0.02
C-2	18.5	18.7	17.8	19.4	19.7	18.08 ± 0.57
D-2	17.2	17.4	17.8	18.1	18.4	17.04 ± 0.10
E-2	18.8	19.1	19.6	19.9	20.2	18.78 ± 0.02
F-2	17.6	17.9	18.3	18.7	18.9	17.54 ± 0.06

$\zeta = E/q$ is the rigidity of the particle in units of volt.