



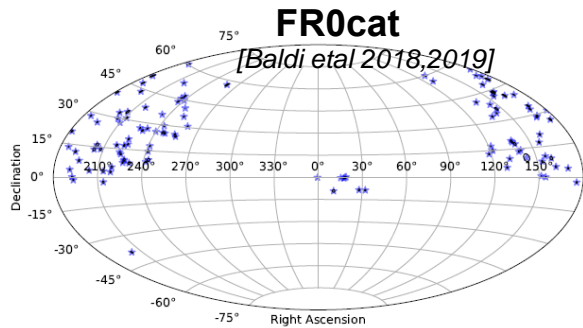
On the jet composition of low-luminosity AGN

Anita Reimer

M. Boughelilba, L. Merten, P. Da Vela

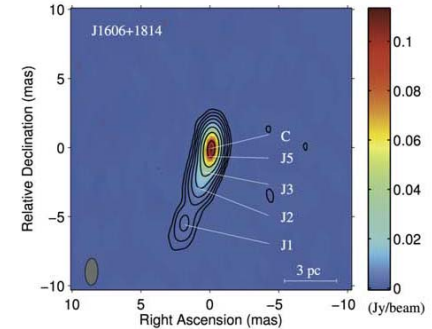
Most numerous low-luminosity AGN jet population

- Fanaroff-Riley 0 (FR0) Radio galaxies -

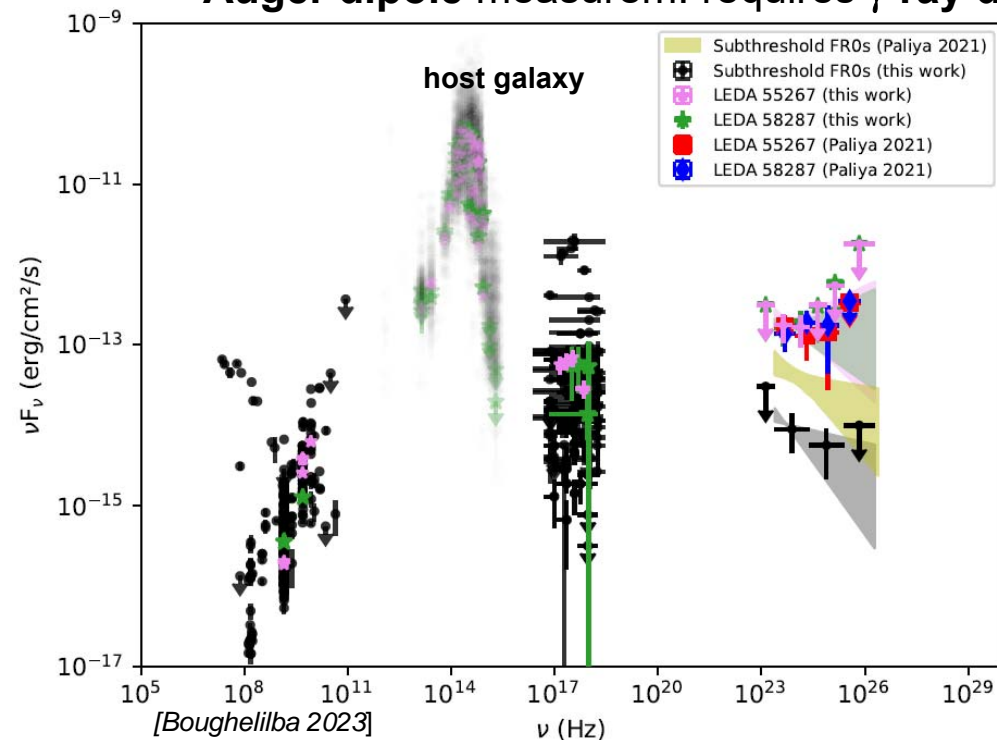


[from: Merten, Boughelilba, AR, et al 2021]

- Core-dominated, pc ... kpc jets
- $L_{\text{jet}} \approx 10^{42.5 \dots 43.5} \text{ erg/s}$
- **Slow jet speed** [Giovannini et al 2023]
- Local source density $n \sim$ a few 10^{-4} Mpc^{-3}
- **Potential UHECR-sources** [Merten et al 2021, Lundquist et al 2024]
- **Auger dipole** measurement requires γ -ray dim, high n source pop [Partenheimer et al 2024]

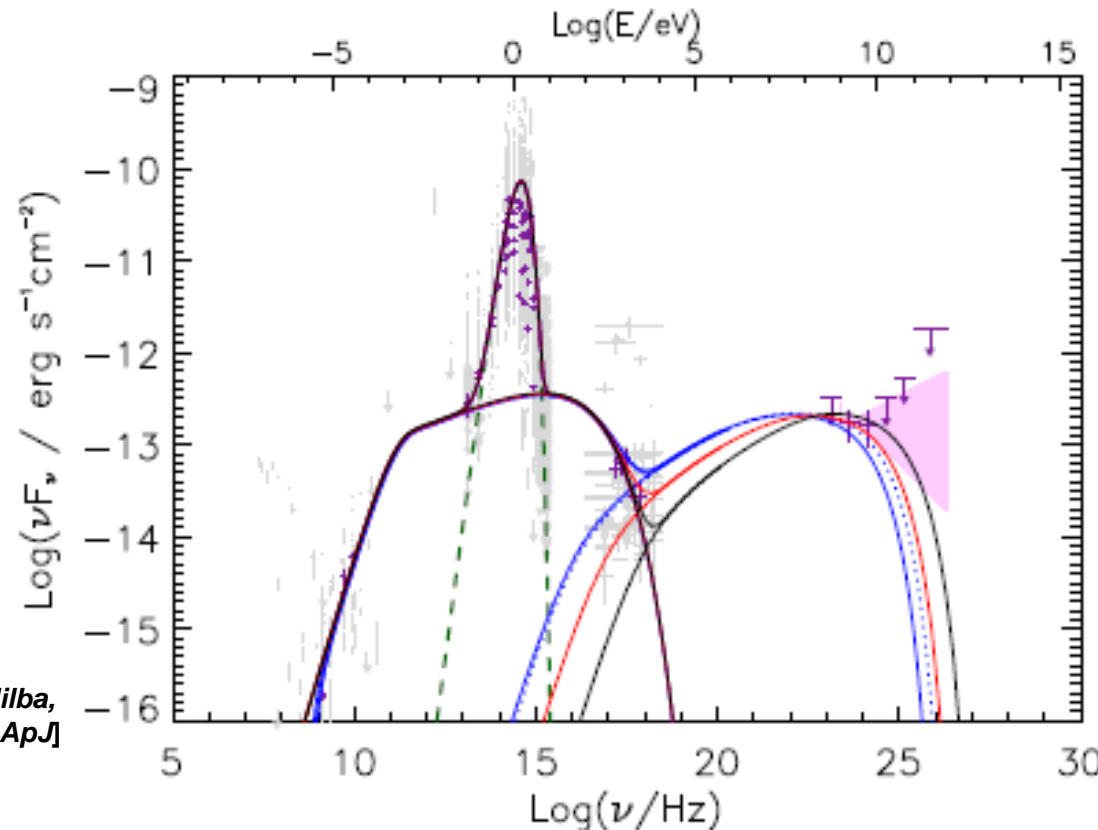


Jet
composition
?



[Khatiya, Boughelilba, ... AR et al 2024, ApJ]

LEDA 55267: Leptonic Emission Model



[Khatiya, Boughelilba, ..., AR, et al 2024, ApJ]

Redshift $z = 0.033$

Black hole mass $\sim 10^{8.2} M_{\odot}$

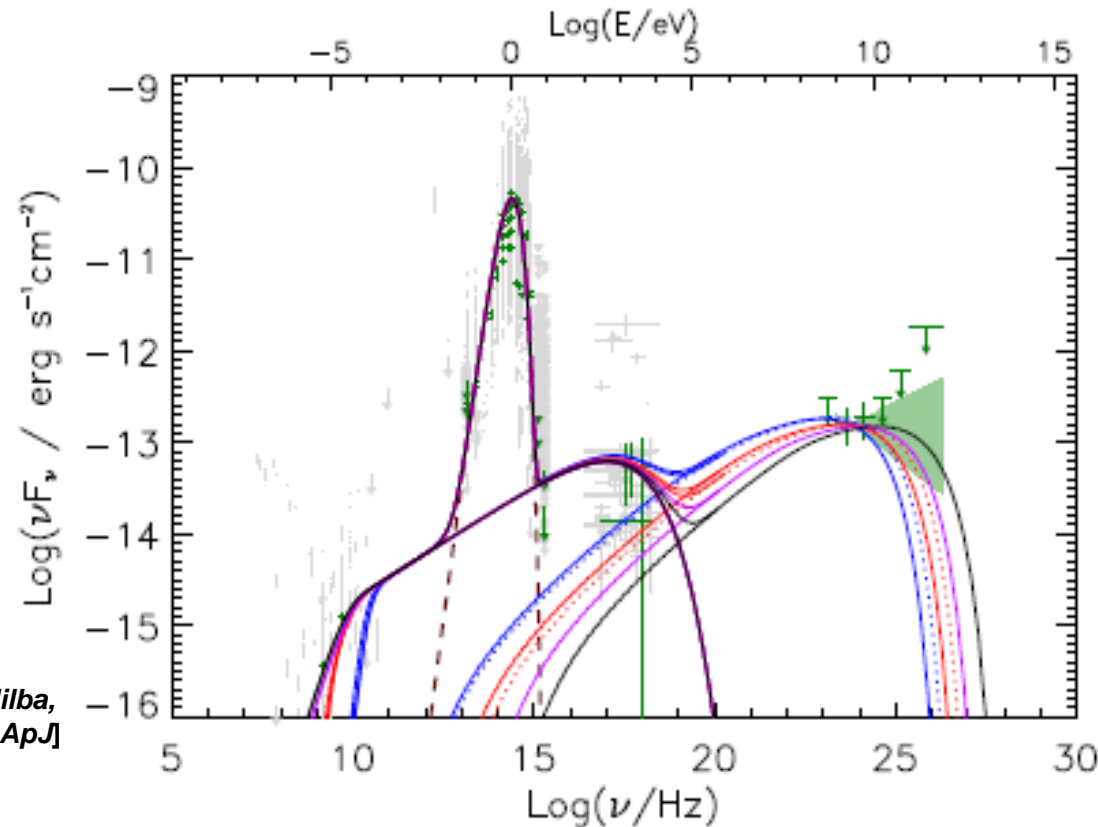
(One-zone) **SSC** models: Emission region size $R' \sim 10^{16..18} \text{cm}$, bulk Lorentz factor $\Gamma_j \sim 1.04 \dots 1.34$

Particle spectrum: $\alpha_e = 2.7$, $\gamma_{e,\text{max}} \sim 7 \cdot 10^{4..5}$

Magnetic field $B' \sim 0.01 \text{ G} \dots 1 \text{ G}$ with $u_B / u_{\text{particle}} \sim 0.07 \dots 0.3$, $L_{\text{jet}} < 10^{43.2} \text{ erg/s}$

-> Weakly magnetized, particle dominated jet emission region

LEDA 58287: Leptonic Emission Model



[Khatiya, Boughelilba, ..., AR, et al 2024, ApJ]

Redshift $z = 0.04$

Black hole mass $\sim 10^{8.5} M_{\odot}$

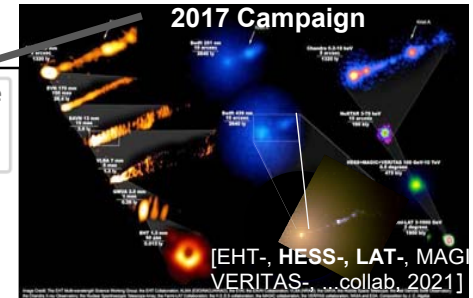
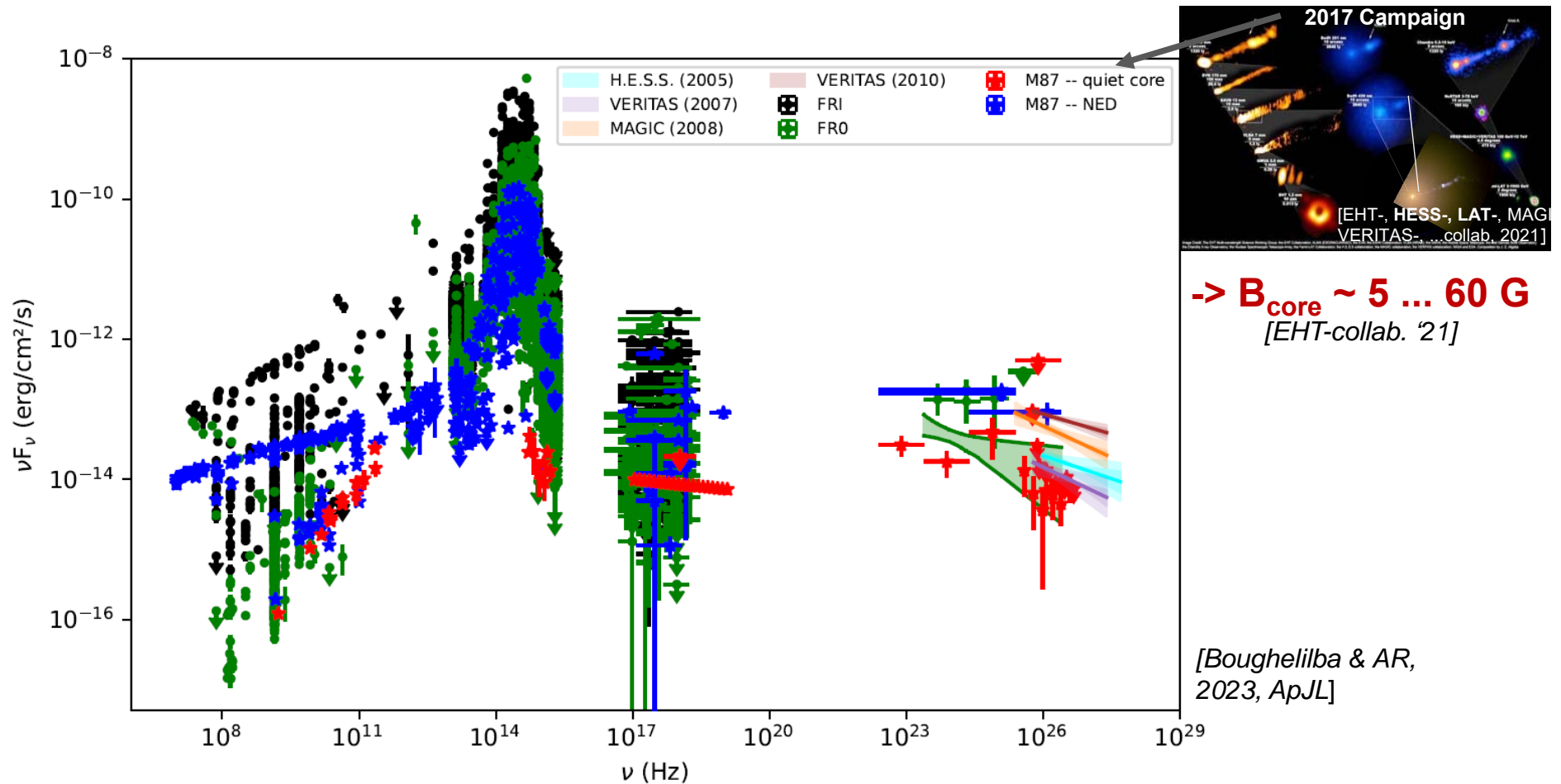
(One-zone) **SSC** models: Emission region size $R' \sim 10^{14...17}$ cm, bulk Lorentz factor $\Gamma_j \sim 1.04 \dots 1.34$

Particle spectrum: $\alpha_e = 2.5$, $\gamma_{e,max} \sim 10^{5...6.6}$

Magnetic field $B' \sim 0.005 \text{ G} \dots 5 \text{ G}$ with $u_B / u_{particle} \sim 10^{-4} \dots -3$, $L_{jet} < 10^{43.6}$ erg/s

-> Weakly magnetized, particle dominated jet emission region

Broadband SED of low-power radio galaxies

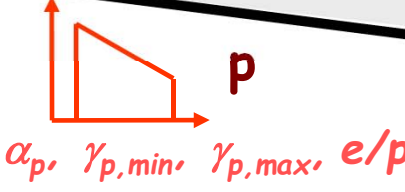
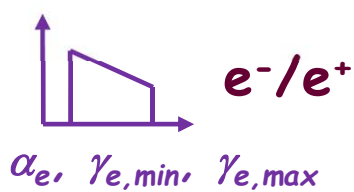
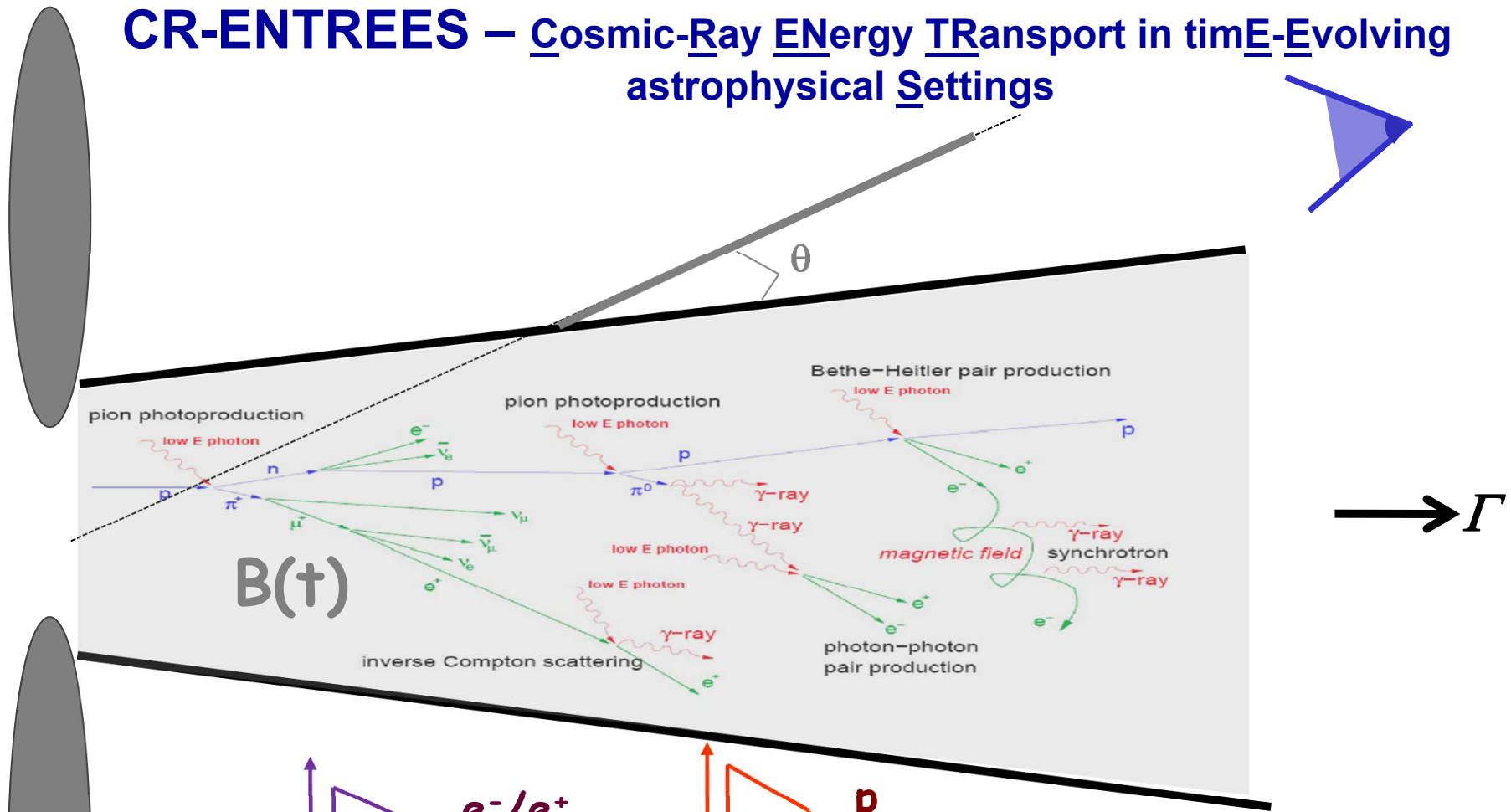


-> $B_{\text{core}} \sim 5 \dots 60 \text{ G}$
[EHT-collab. '21]

[Boughelilba & AR, 2023, ApJL]

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

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: $R(t), B(t), u_{rad}(t), \dots$ ⁶

CR-ENTREES [Reimer etal] & extension to CR ions [Merten etal]

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

$$\partial_t \mathbf{F}_\gamma + \dot{\mathbf{F}}_\gamma^{\text{esc}} + \dot{\mathbf{F}}_\gamma^{\text{abs}} = \dot{\mathbf{F}}_\gamma^{\text{inj}}$$

$$\text{with } \mathbf{F}_N = \mathbf{F}_N(\mathbf{p}, t), \quad \dot{\mathbf{F}}_N^{\text{cat}} = \dot{\mathbf{F}}_N^{\text{cat}}(\mathbf{p}, t), \quad \mathbf{F}_\gamma = \mathbf{F}_\gamma(\epsilon, t),$$

$$\dot{p}_{\text{loss}} = \dot{p}_{\text{loss}}(\mathbf{F}_\gamma(\epsilon, t), \mathbf{B}(t), \mathbf{R}(t); \mathbf{p}, t), \quad \dot{\mathbf{F}}_\gamma^{\text{X}} = \dot{\mathbf{F}}_\gamma^{\text{X}}(\mathbf{F}_\gamma(\epsilon, t), \mathbf{B}(t), \mathbf{R}(t); \epsilon, t),$$

$$Q_N^{\text{inj}} = Q_N^{\text{inj}}(\mathbf{F}_\gamma(\epsilon, t), \mathbf{B}(t), \mathbf{R}(t); \mathbf{p}, t)$$

- **Particle species:**

- $\gamma, p, n, e, \pi, \mu, K, \nu_\mu, \nu_e$ & 345 nuclei/isotopes

- **Interaction yields:**

- Yields pre-calculated by corresponding event generators for p,e, γ -induced interactions, or calculated when required for heavy nuclei*

[* branching ratio cut $\sim 10^{-4}$]

CR-ENTREES [Reimer etal] & extension to CR ions [Merten etal]

- **Interactions & losses:**

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

[*immediate decay of radio-active isotopes for $\tau_{\text{rest}} < 4 \cdot 10^{-4}\text{s}$]

- **Target photon field:**

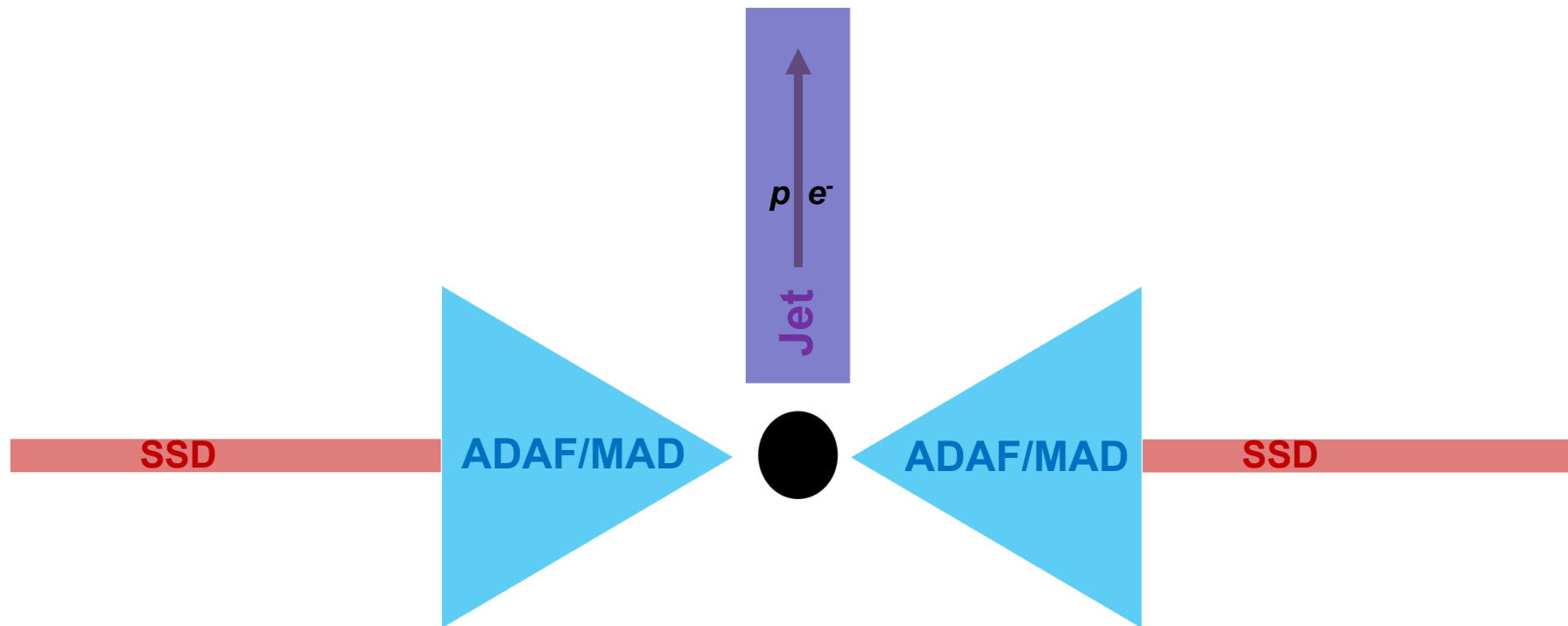
- Pre-defined or custom-filled radiation field for each energy bin (-> EBL, etc)
- Determination of internal radiation field after each time step **-> non-linearities**

- **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

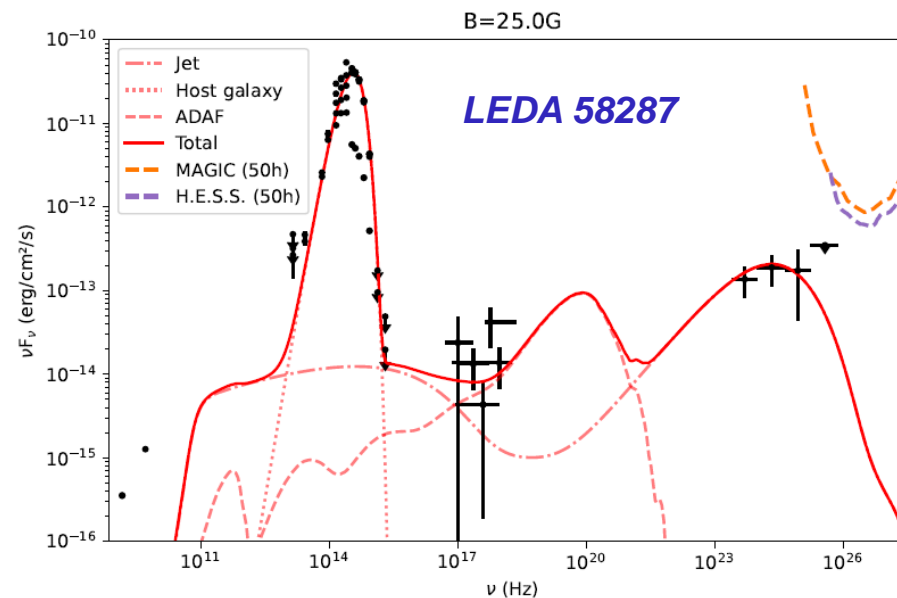
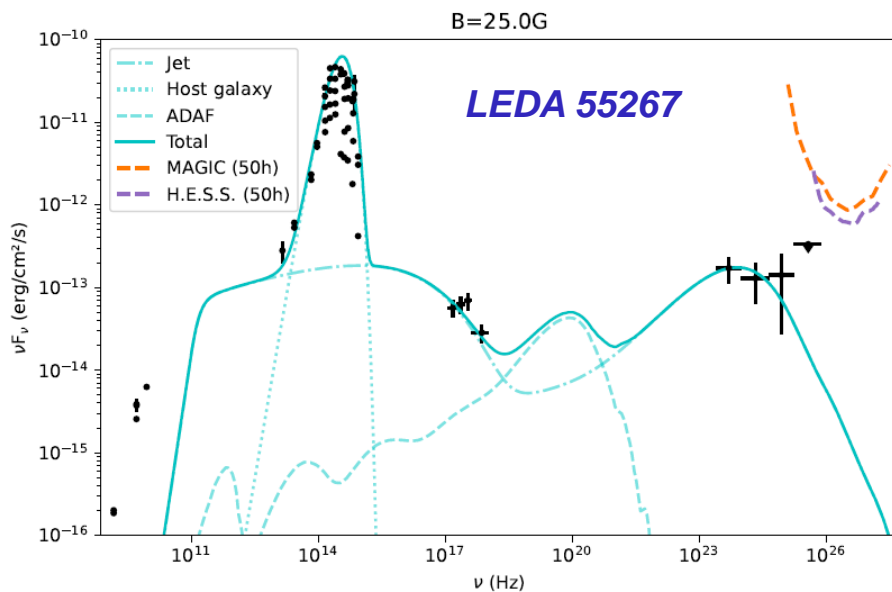
Hadronic jet - disc model



- ***M87 quiet core broadband SED successfully modelled by relativistic $p + e$ jet-disc (ADAF/MAD) model [Boughelilba, AR, Merten, '22]***
- ***close-to-equipartition parameters***
- ***Weak ν -emitter in IceCube energy range***

A hadronic jet - disc model for FR0s

[Boughelilba & AR, 2023, ApJL]



ADAF/MAD parameters:

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

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

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

Jet parameters:

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

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

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

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

-> Slow, strongly magnetized jet containing CR-p reaching into EeV-regime

Further multi-messenger constraints

Simulations of **intergalactic UHECR propagation** (proton, helium, nitrogen, silicon, iron primaries) **emitted by FR0** [Lundquist et al 2024, arXiv:2407.06961]:

Set-up:

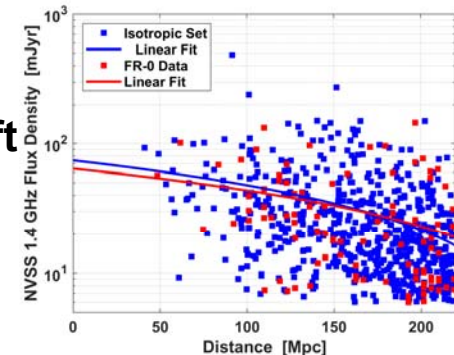
- **Structured intergalactic fields:** no fields, Dolag et al (2014), Hackenstein et al (2017) (“CLUES”), 1nG random fields w Kolmog. power spec, $\langle l_{\text{corr}} \rangle = 234\text{kpc}, 647\text{kpc}$
- Simulated **redshift distribution** from FR0CAT-data: close to **isotropy**, up-sampled to $z \leq 0.02$
- **Source evolution** modeled by **correlation of radio output & redshift**
- **UHECR Injection:**

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

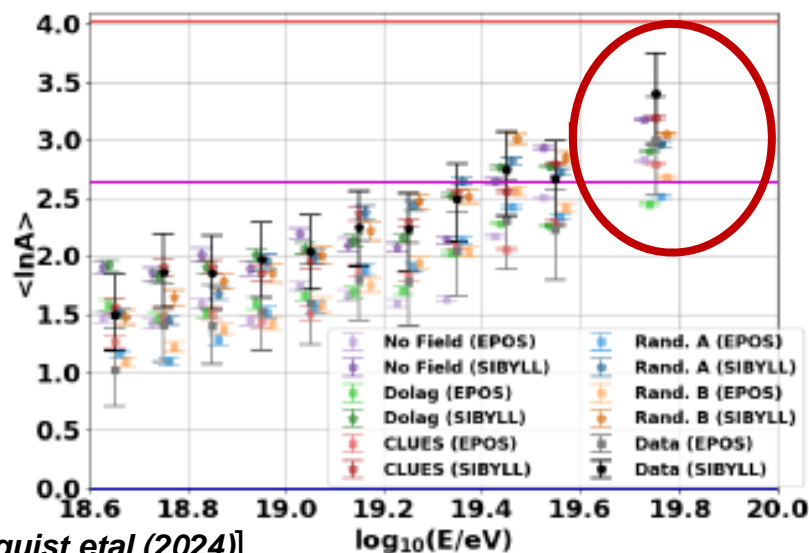
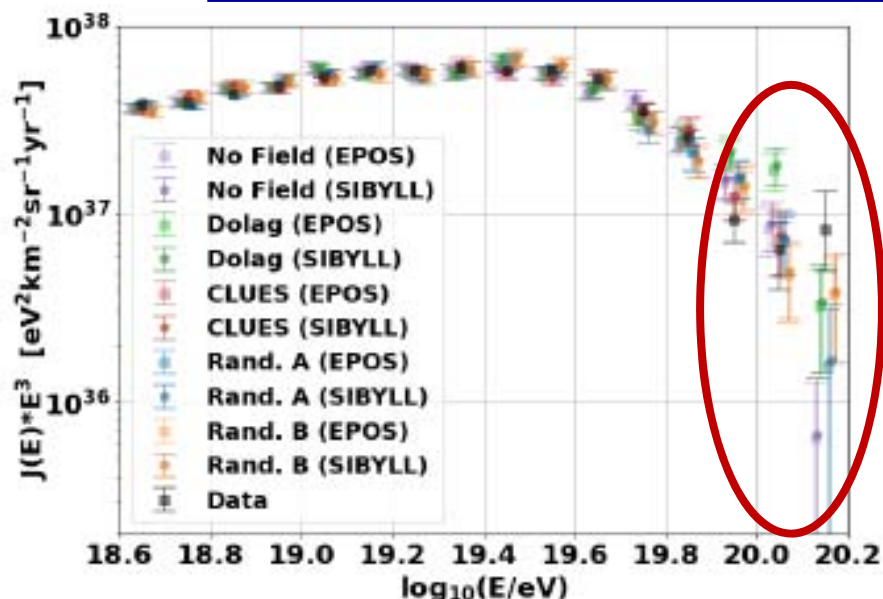
$$f_{\text{cut}}(E, Z_A R_{\text{cut}}) = \begin{cases} 1 & (E < Z_A R_{\text{cut}}) \\ \exp\left(1 - \frac{E}{Z_A R_{\text{cut}}}\right) & (E > Z_A R_{\text{cut}}) \end{cases}$$

with:

- energy-independent **nuclei fraction** f_A
- rigidity-dependent **energy cutoff** $Z R_{\text{cut}}$
- FR-0 **UHECR flux** \propto radio output



Further multi-messenger constraints



[Lundquist et al (2024)]

Field	Model	$\Sigma\chi^2/\text{dof}$	γ	$\log_{10}(R_{\text{cut}}/V)$
No Field	SIBYLL	3.21	$2.51^{+0.02}_{-0.67}$	$19.36^{+0.23}_{-0.31}$
	EPOS	3.15	$2.50^{+0.02}_{-0.16}$	$19.40^{+0.13}_{-0.06}$
	QGS4	3.47	$2.47^{+0.03}_{-0.08}$	$19.43^{+0.10}_{-0.03}$
Dolag	SIBYLL	4.41	$2.29^{+0.06}_{-0.79}$	$19.74^{+0.00}_{-0.40}$
	EPOS	4.74	$2.23^{+0.11}_{-0.06}$	$19.75^{+0.03}_{-0.29}$
	QGS4	6.98	$2.23^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$	$19.64^{+0.10}_{-0.12}$
CLUES	SIBYLL	1.76	$2.54^{+0.00}_{-0.19}$	$19.45^{+0.50}_{-0.12}$
	EPOS	1.87	$2.43^{+0.06}_{-0.13}$	$19.51^{+0.36}_{-0.07}$
	QGS4	3.10	$2.32^{+0.08}_{-0.05}$	$19.56^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$
Rand.A	SIBYLL	2.84	$2.40^{+0.07}_{-0.11}$	$19.86^{+0.12}_{-0.18}$
	EPOS	2.15	$2.34^{+0.08}_{-0.09}$	$19.69^{+0.19}_{-0.08}$
	QGS4	2.51	$2.23^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$	$19.58^{+0.07}_{-0.08}$
Rand.B	SIBYLL	2.57	$2.47^{+0.04}_{-0.16}$	$19.71^{+1.40}_{-0.08}$
	EPOS	2.29	$2.33^{+0.09}_{-0.15}$	$19.60^{+0.23}_{-0.09}$
	QGS4	2.60	$1.97^{+0.26}_{-0.05}$	$19.52^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$

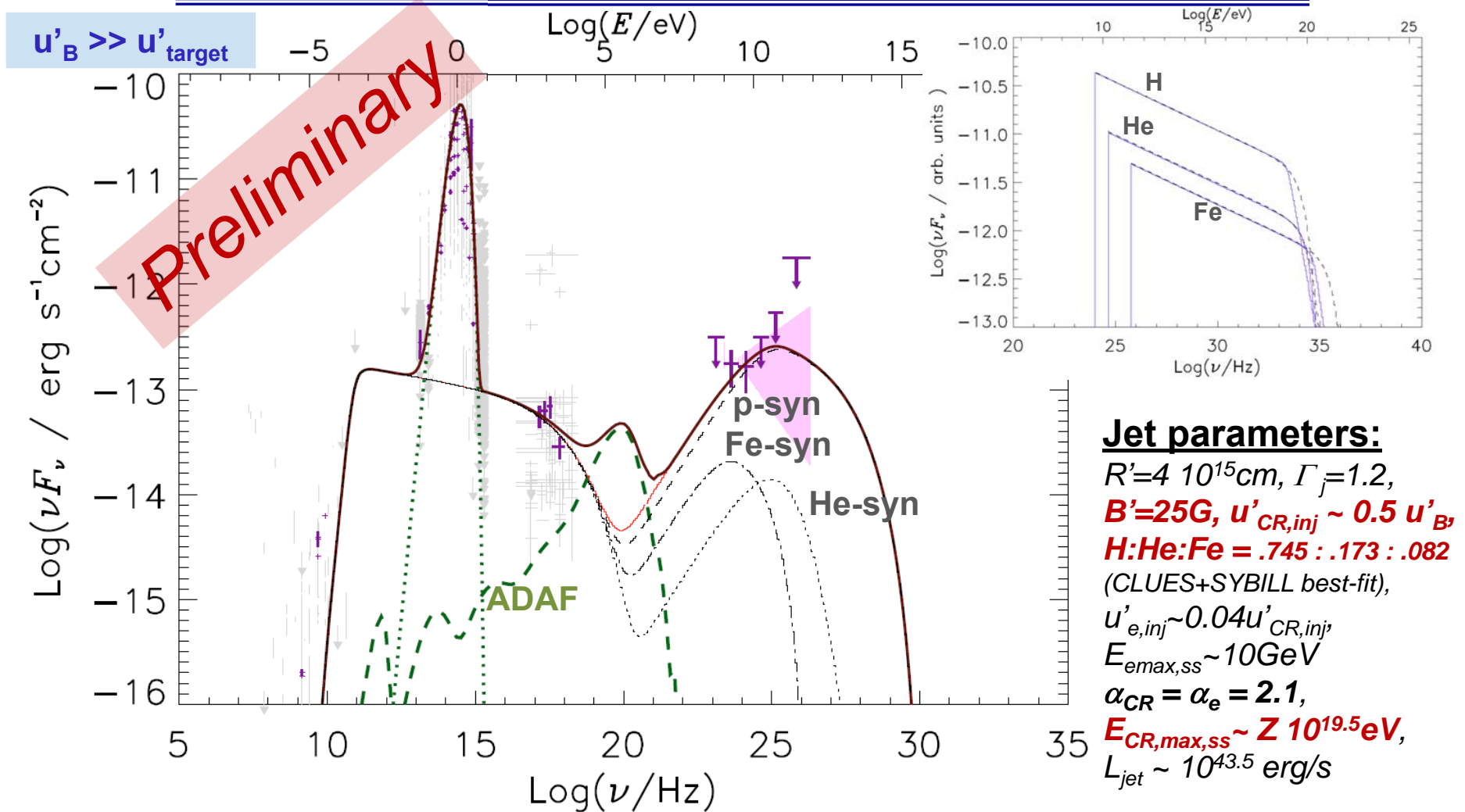
Best "Fit":

- emitted spectrum @source with $\gamma \sim 2.4-2.5$
-> harder in-source particle spectrum
- Composition @ source:

$$f_{\text{H+He}} : f_{\text{N}} : f_{\text{Si}} : f_{\text{Fe}} \sim$$

$$0.804 \dots 0.948 : 0 : 0 : 0.057 \dots 0.117$$
- Caveat:* Too low flux & too light composition @ highest E (>50 EeV)

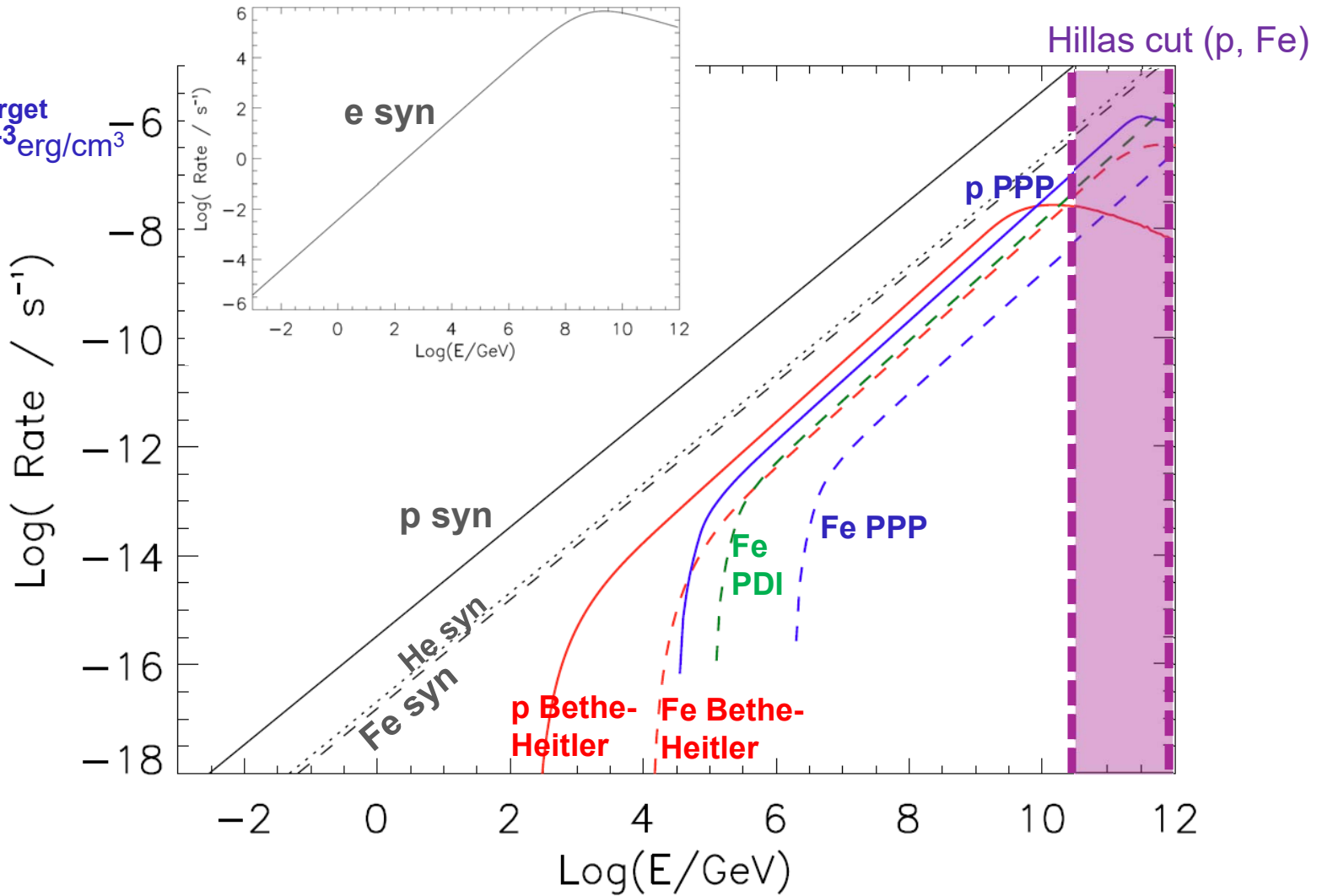
LEDA 55267 jet containing UHECR nuclei



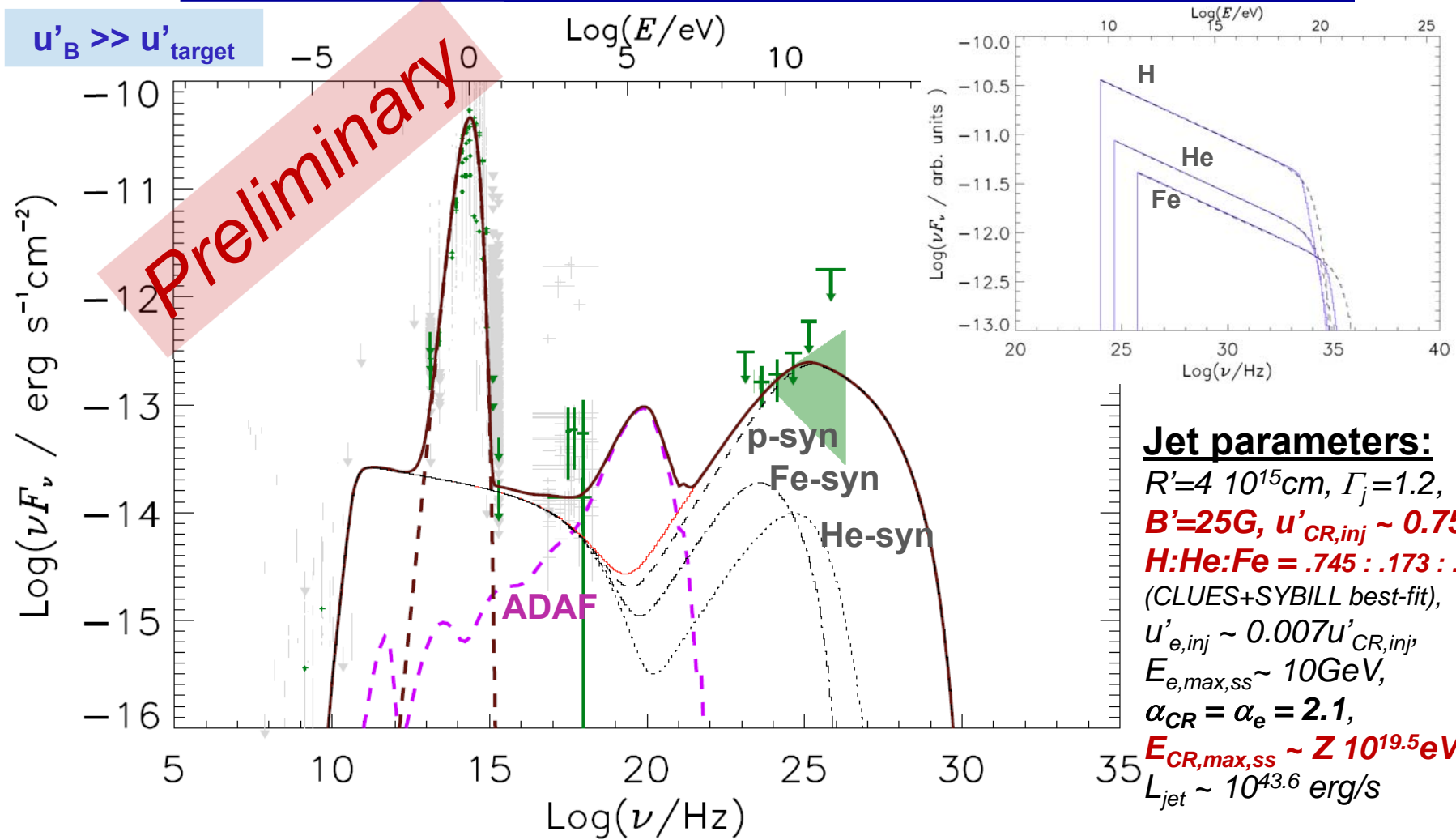
Broadband SED in line with slow jet (containing CR p, He, Fe) + ADAF model

Interactions

$B = 25G,$
 $u'_B \gg u'_{\text{target}}$
 $\sim 10^{-3} \text{erg/cm}^3$



LEDA 58287 jet containing UHECR nuclei



Broadband SED in line with slow jet (containing CR p, He, Fe) + ADAF model

Conclusions

- ❑ Bulk of **UHECR sources** γ -ray dim, ν -weak & sufficient **numerous**:
 - > **FR0s** as most numerous jetted LLAGN promising

- ❑ **Broadband modelling** to investigate **FR0 jet composition**:
 - **Relativistic e^\pm -jets**:
low magnetized, particle-dominated emission region

 - **Relativistic e-ion jets**:
high magnetized, close-to-equipartition conditions in emission region
in line with all particle multi-messenger constraints

