

Cosmic Rays

The grandeur of the inferences*



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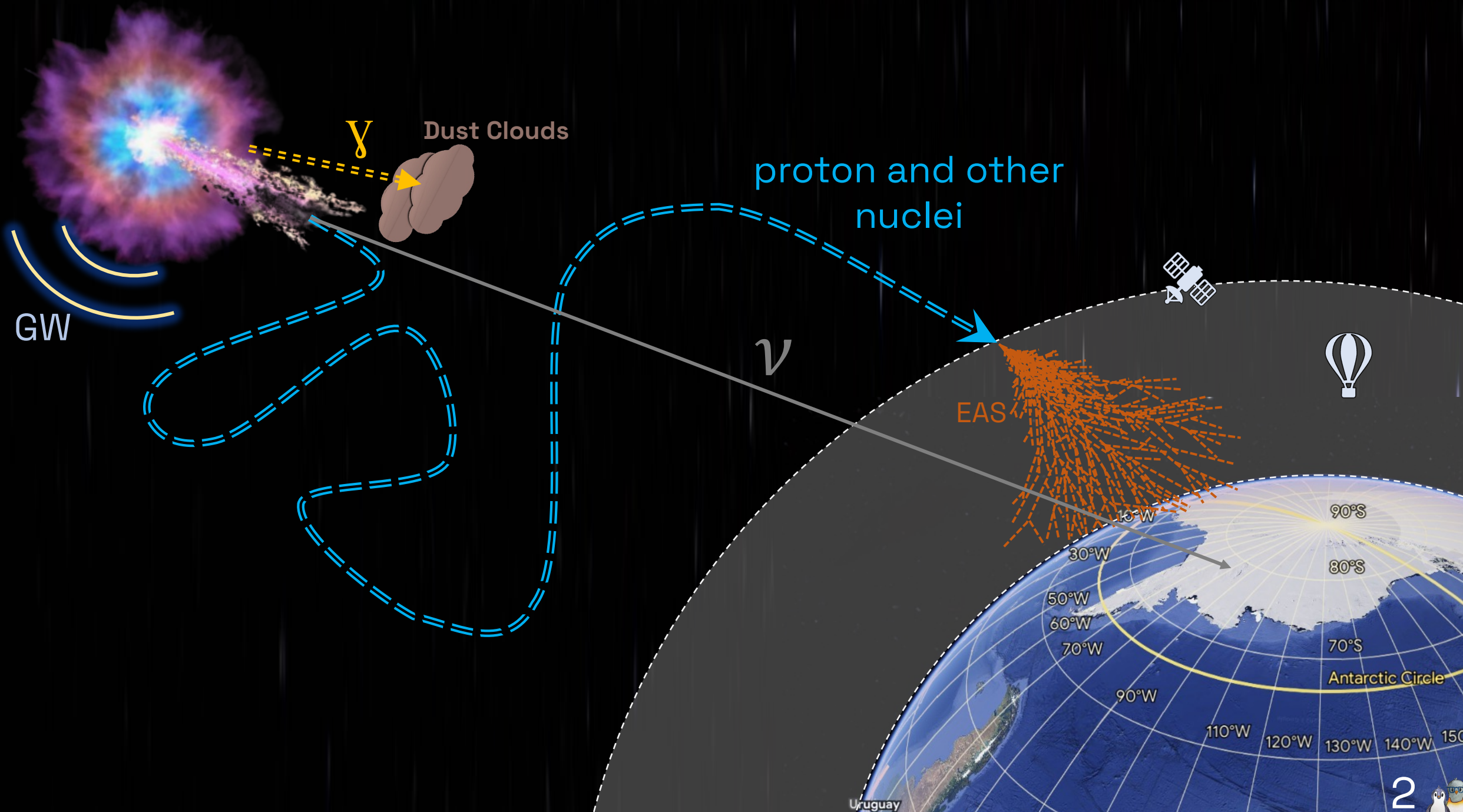
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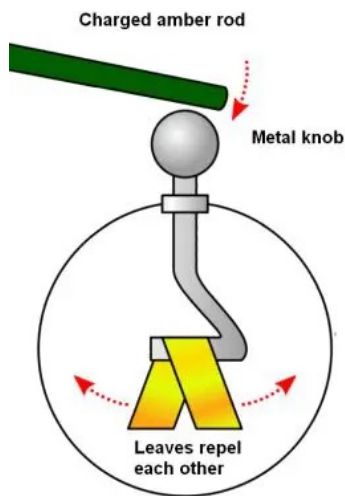
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A century of Cosmic Rays

Explaining Electrical Discharge @ Gold-Foil



Charles-Augustin de Coulomb



Sir William Crookes



Joseph John Thomson

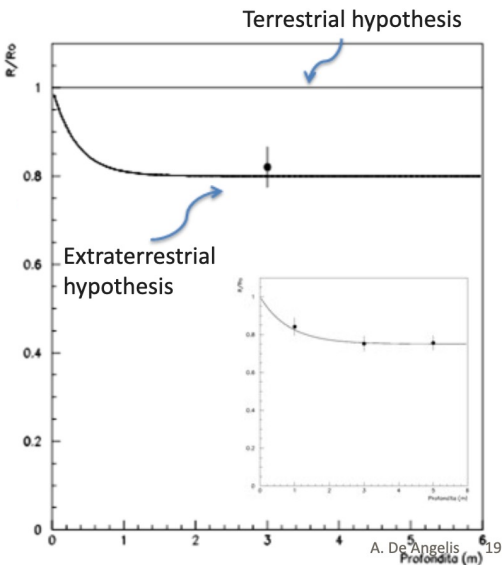
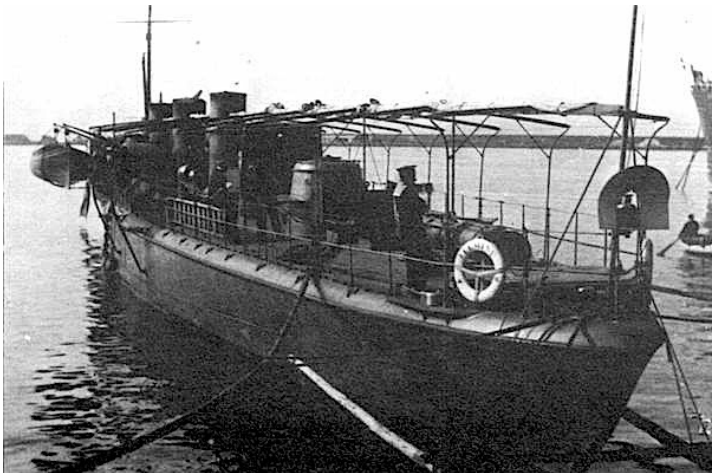


Julius Elster (left) and Hans Geitel

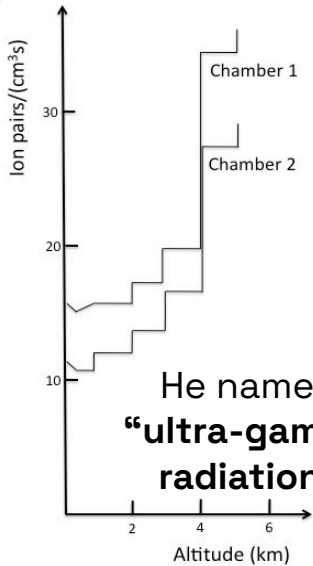
Testing Expectations – Pacini : The Explorer



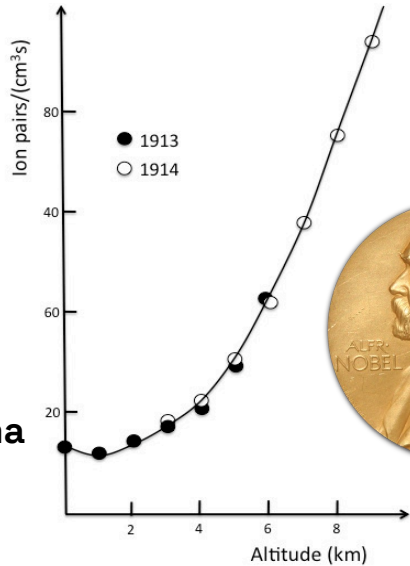
Domenico Pacini



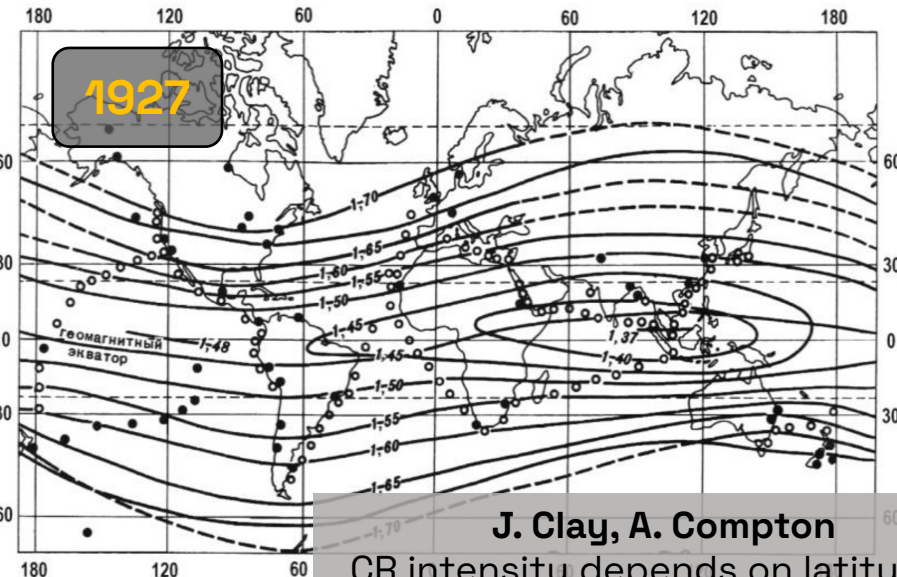
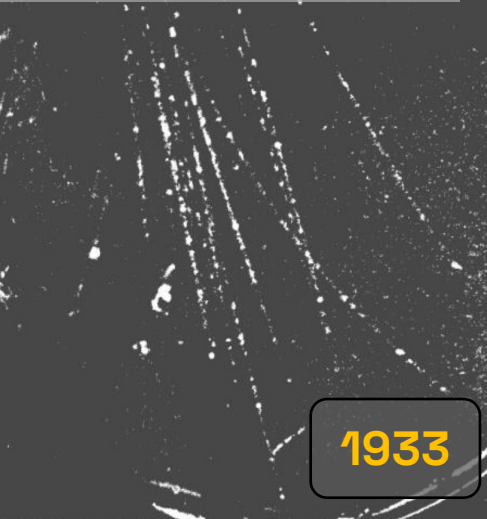
Around the World



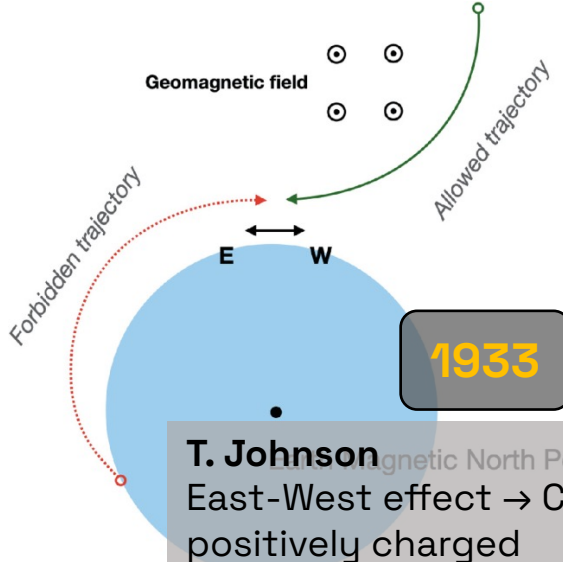
He named
“ultra-gamma
radiation”



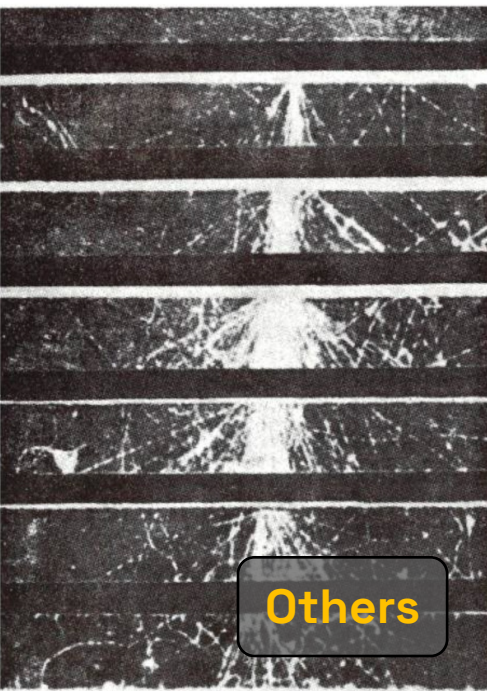
Blackett and Occhialini
CR shower in Wilson’s chamber inside a
strong magnetic field



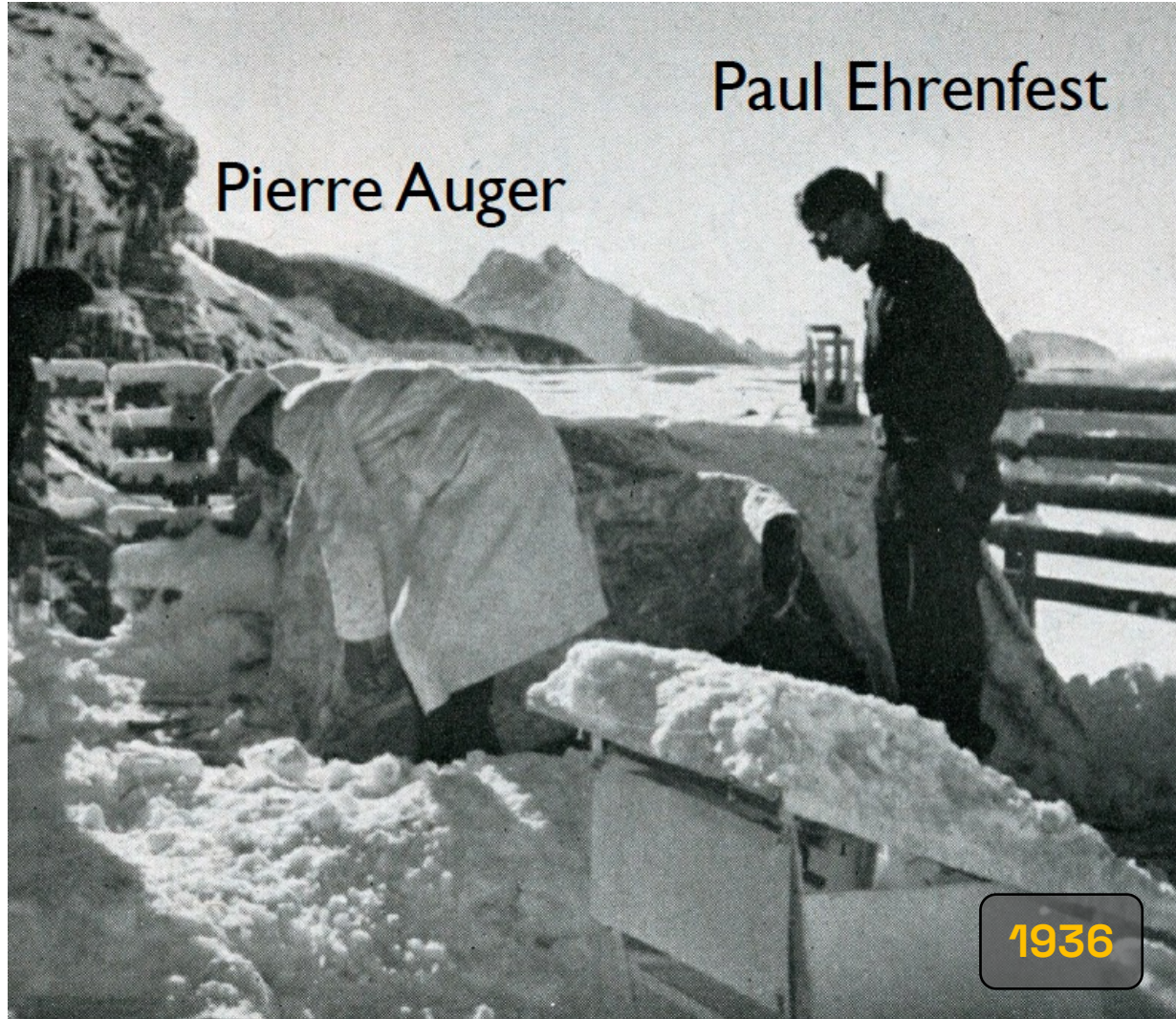
J. Clay, A. Compton
CR intensity depends on latitude &
follows geomagnetic field lines



T. Johnson
East-West effect → CRs are
positively charged



Air Showers



Paul Ehrenfest

Pierre Auger

1936

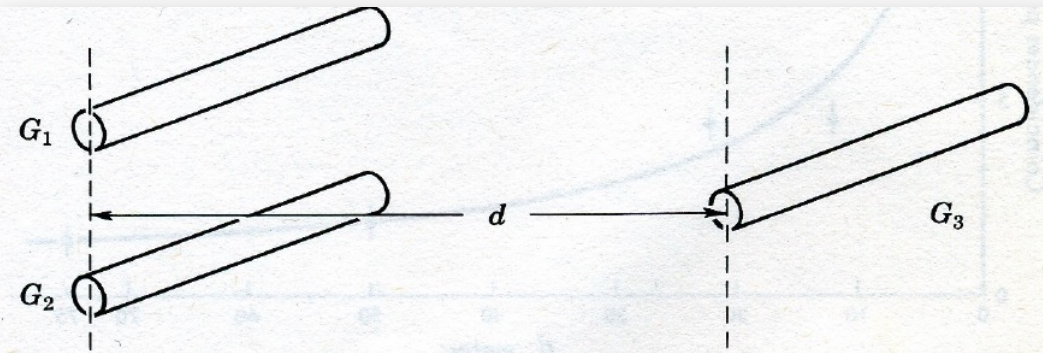


Fig. 12-1 Air-shower experiments by Auger and his collaborators in 1938 were made with the counter arrangement shown here. Counters G_1 and G_2 were placed one above the other, with their axes 22 cm apart. The third counter G_3 was moved horizontally to various distances d ranging from 15 centimeters to 75 meters.

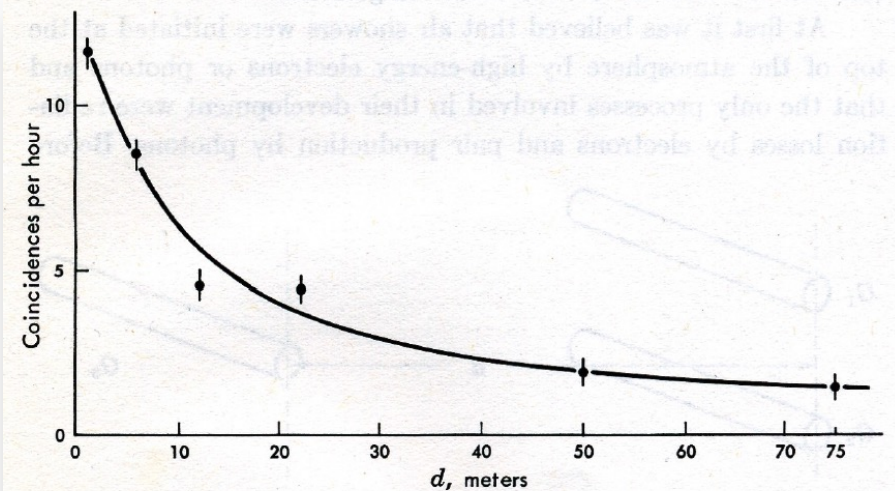
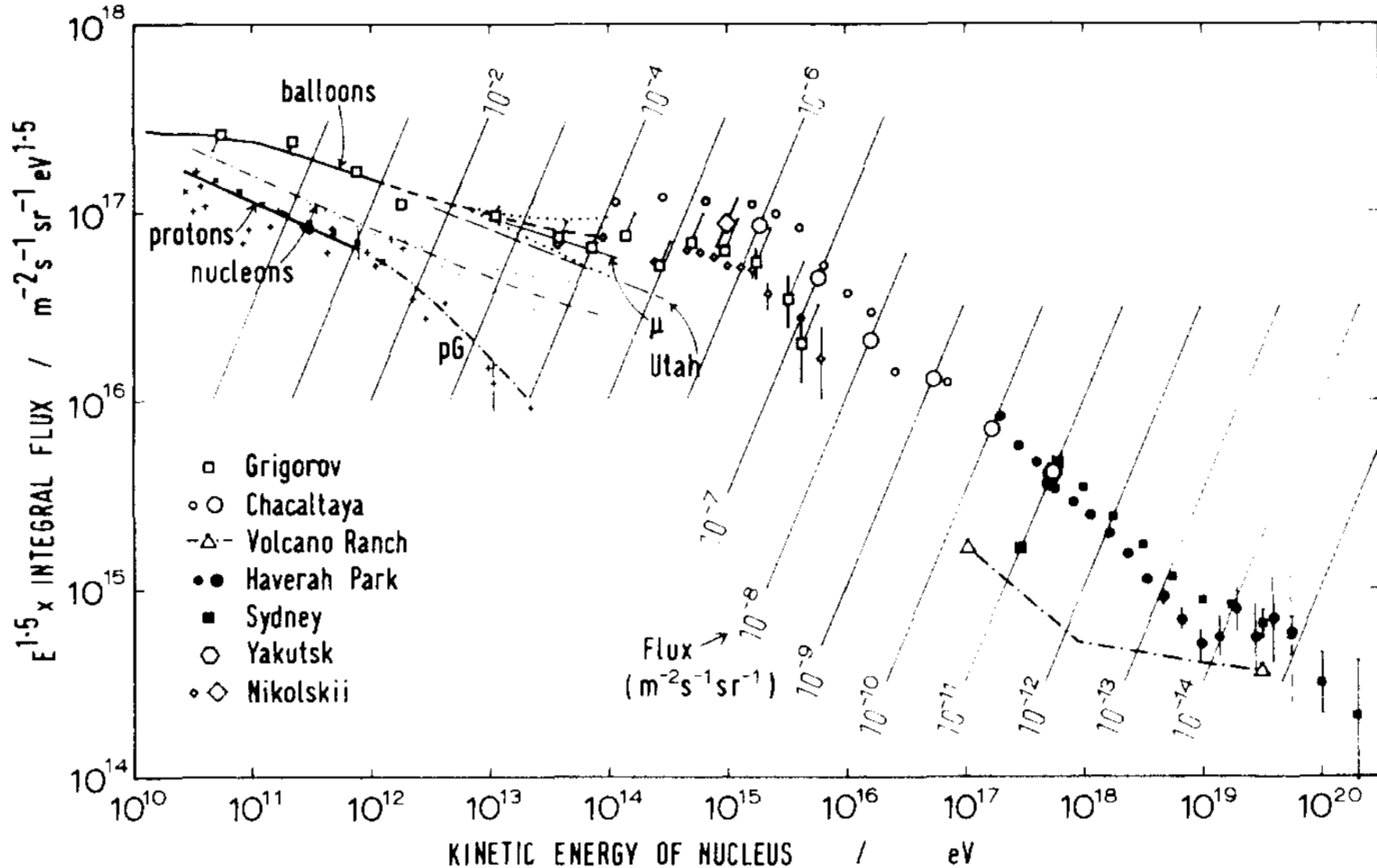


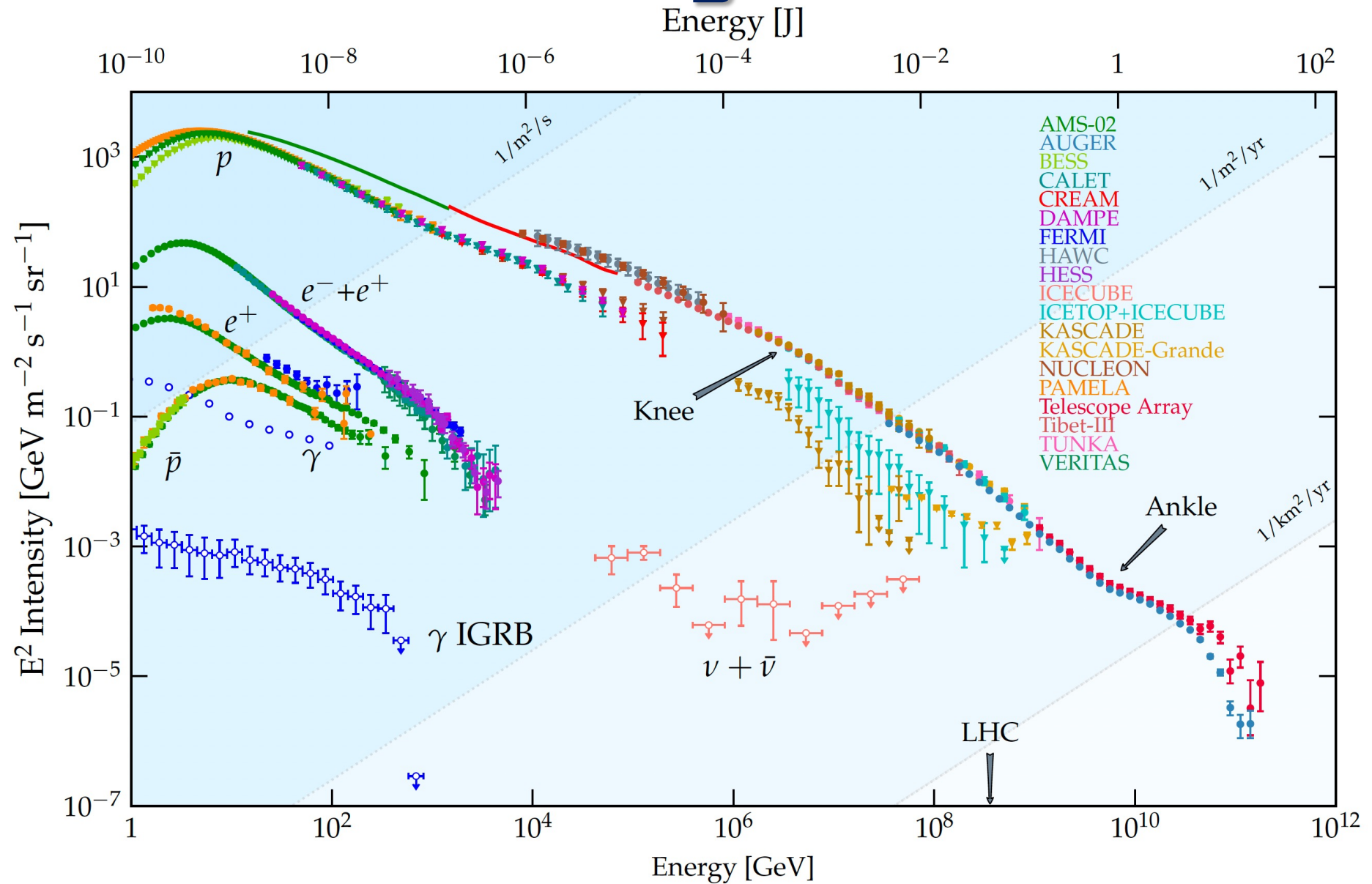
Fig. 12-2 Air-shower data obtained by Auger with the counter arrangement shown in Fig. 12-1. The horizontal scale gives the horizontal distance d between counter G_3 and the pair of counters G_1 and G_2 ; the vertical scale, the number of coincidences per hour. (From a paper in *Le Journal de Physique et Le Radium*, vol. 10, p. 39, 1939.)

Understanding till 1970s

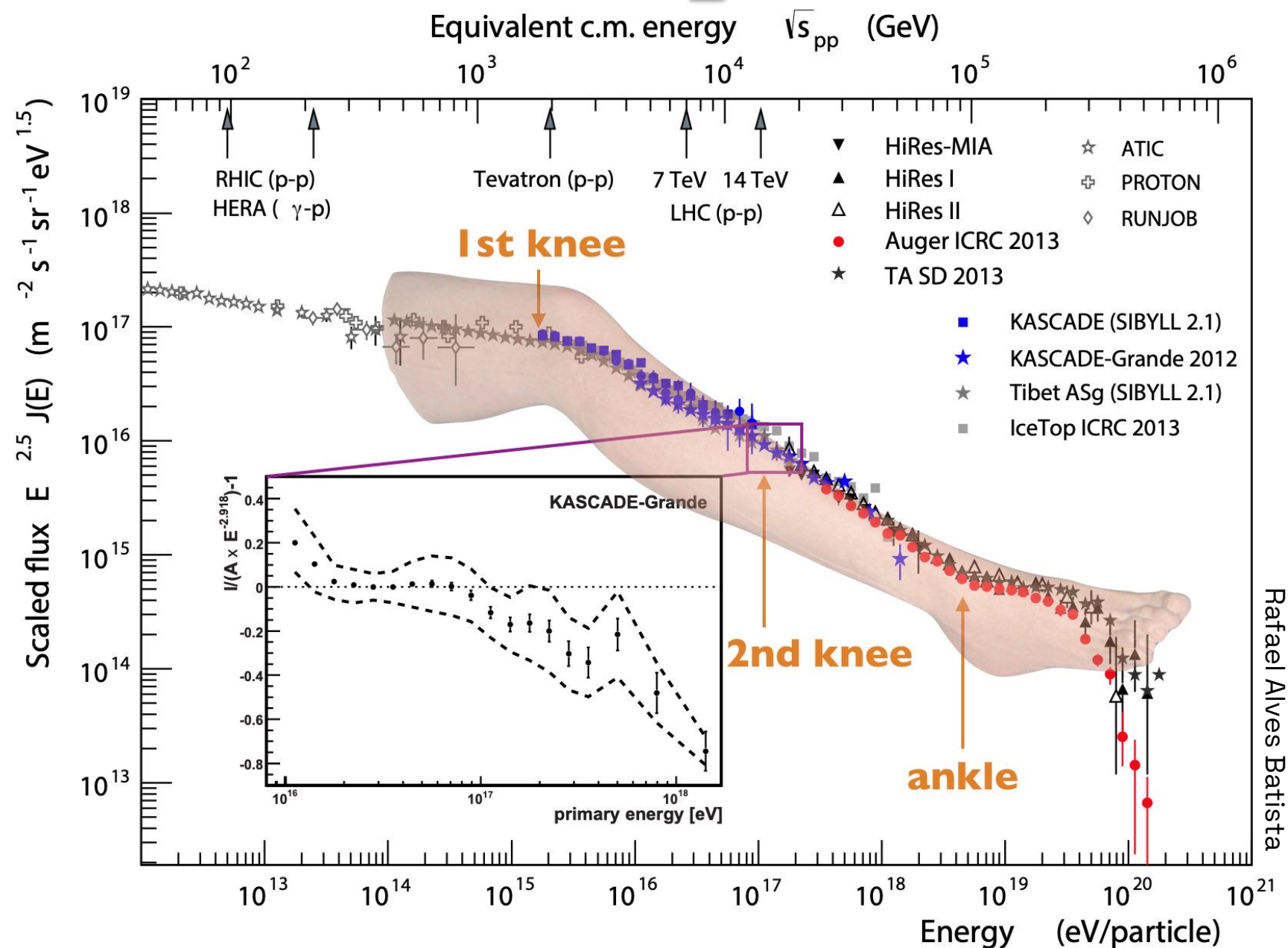


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Current Understanding

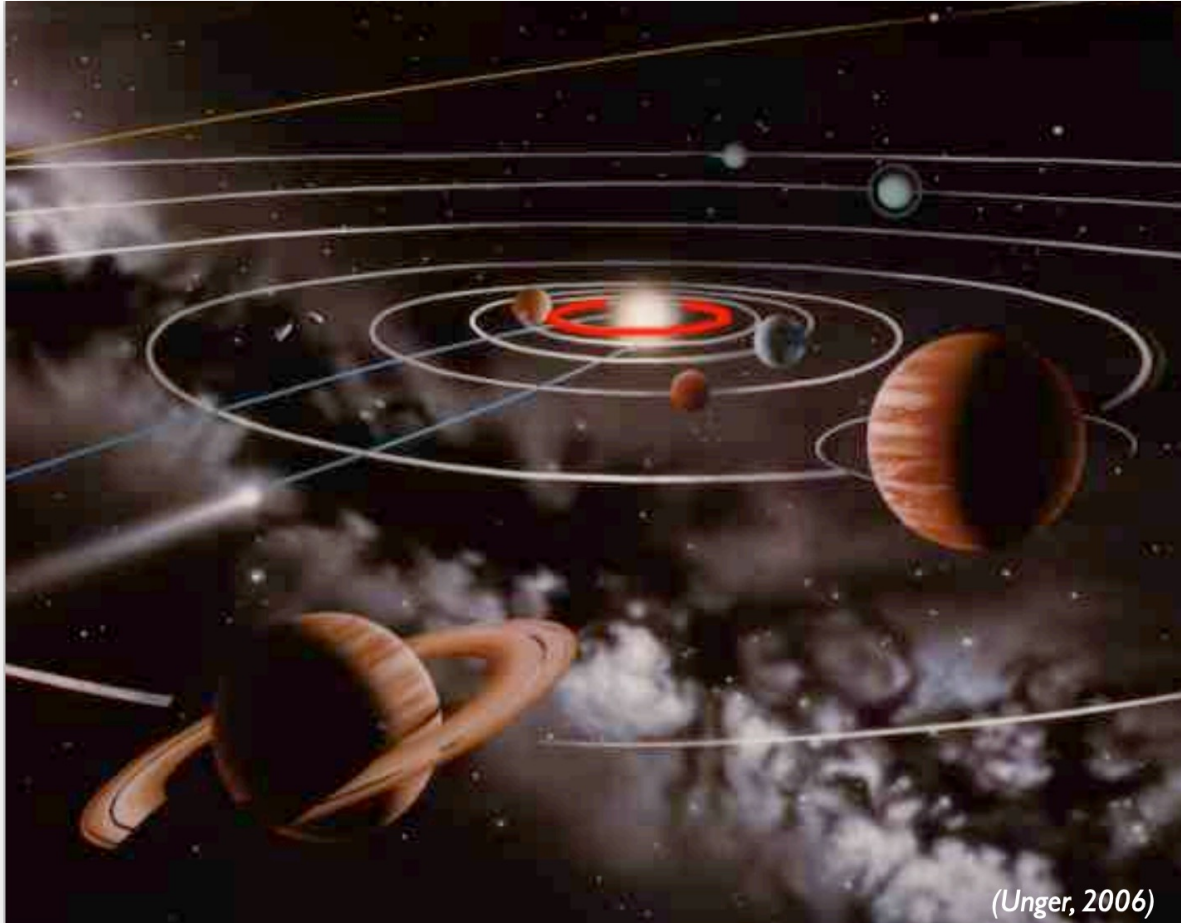


Current Understanding

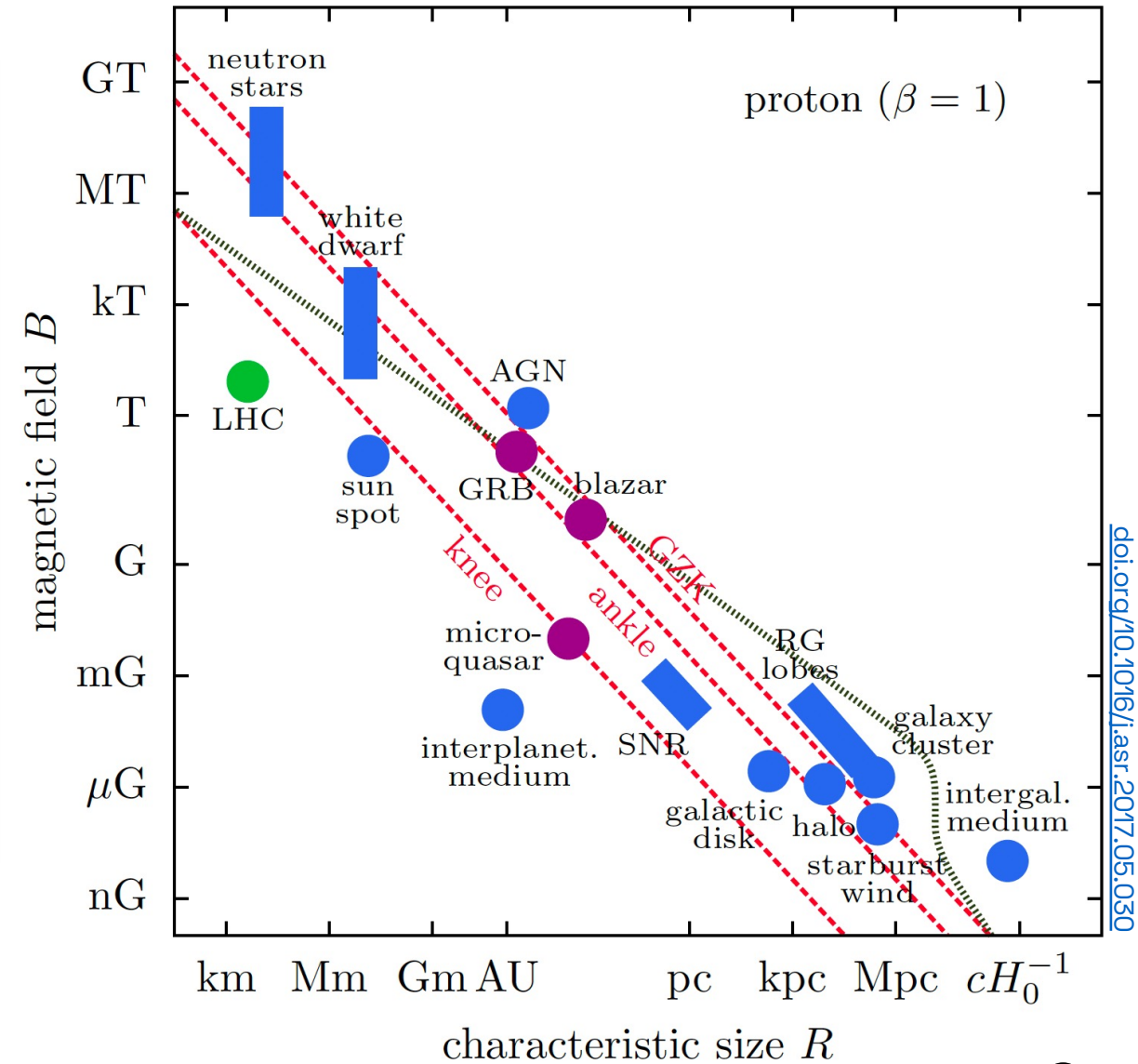


Rafael Alves Batista

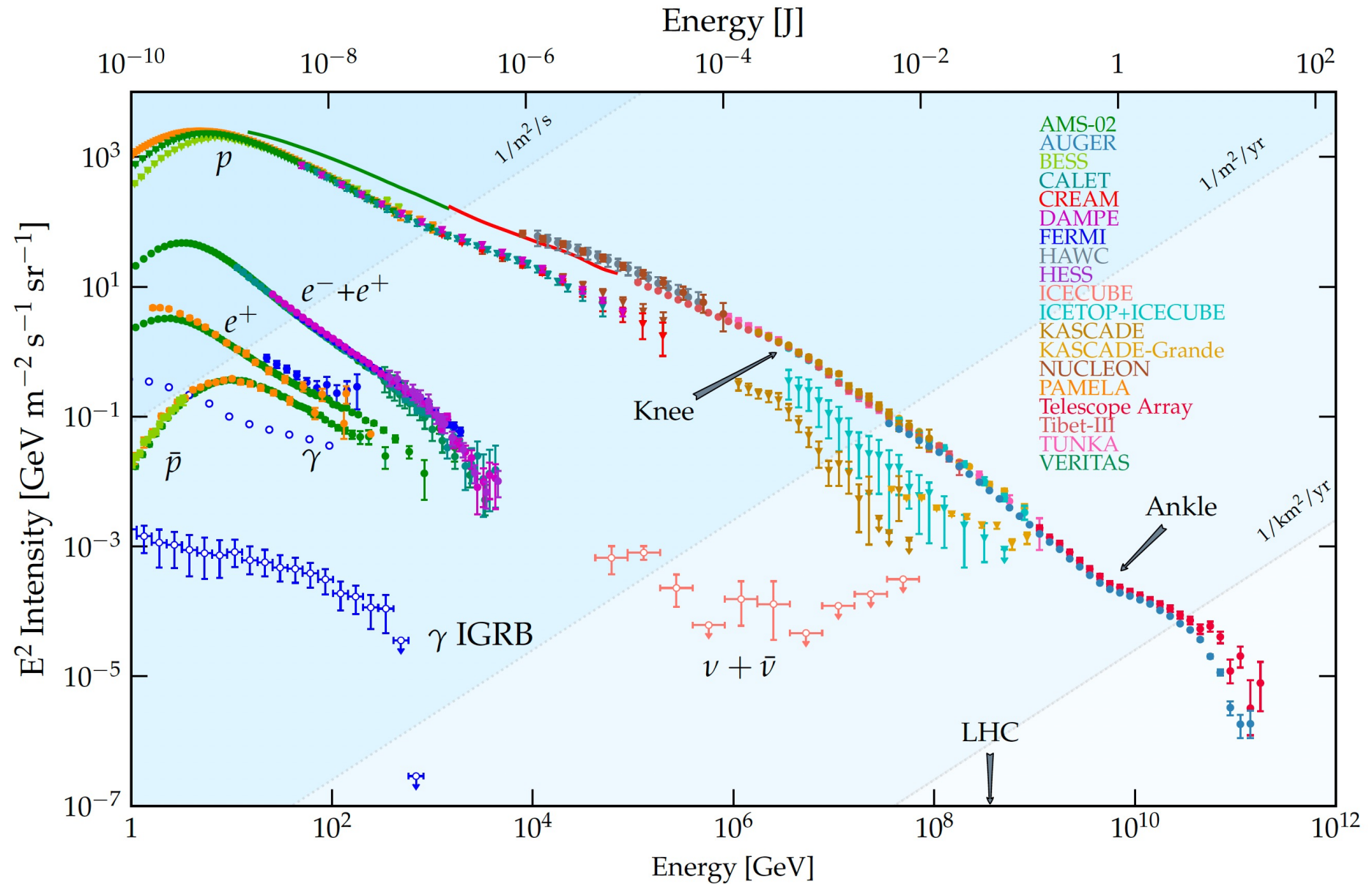
Energy Budget



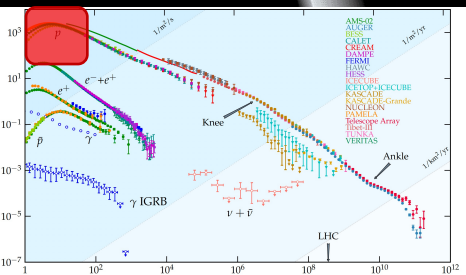
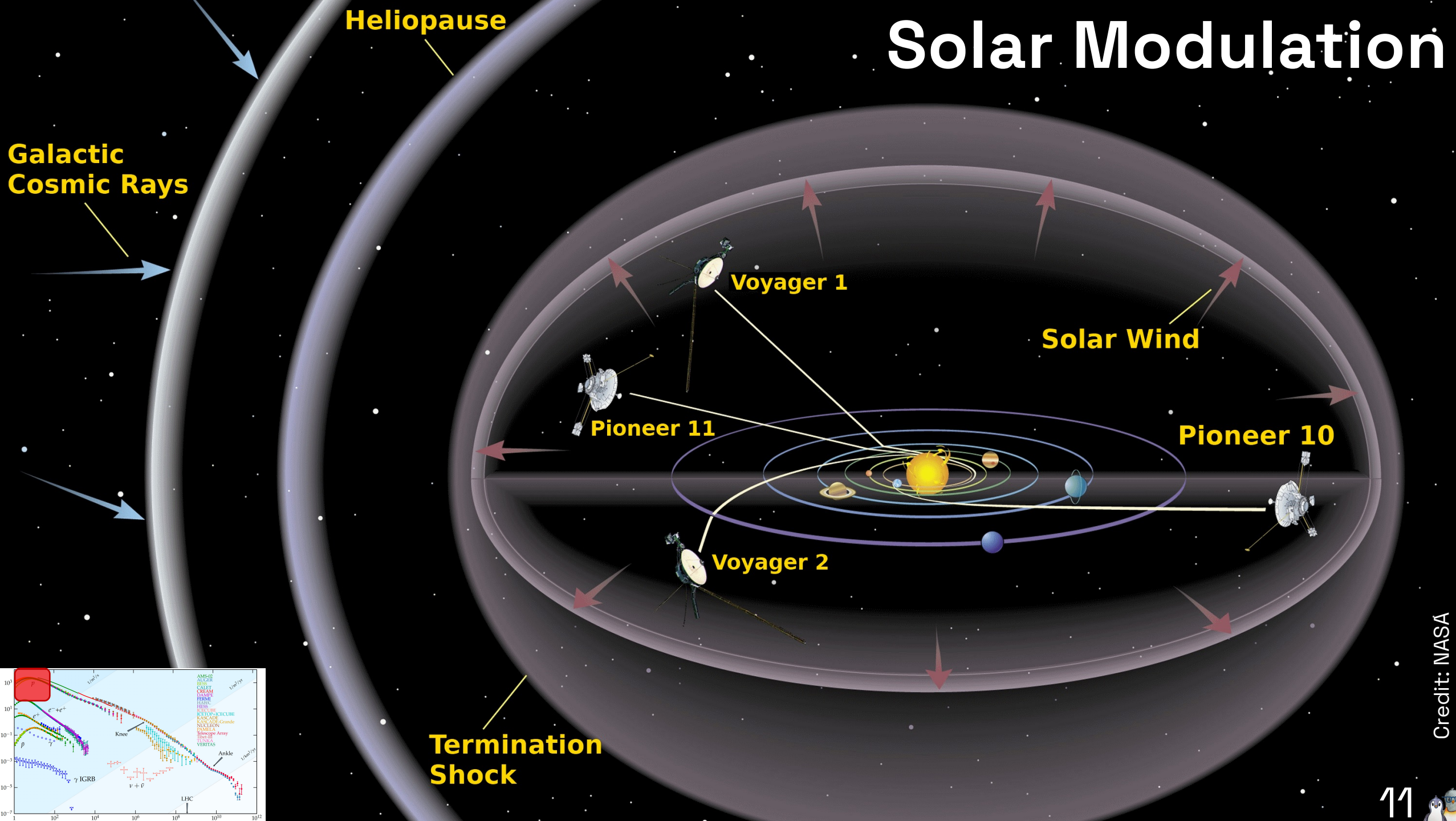
Need Mercury-orbit-sized accelerator to reach 10^{20} eV using LHC tech.



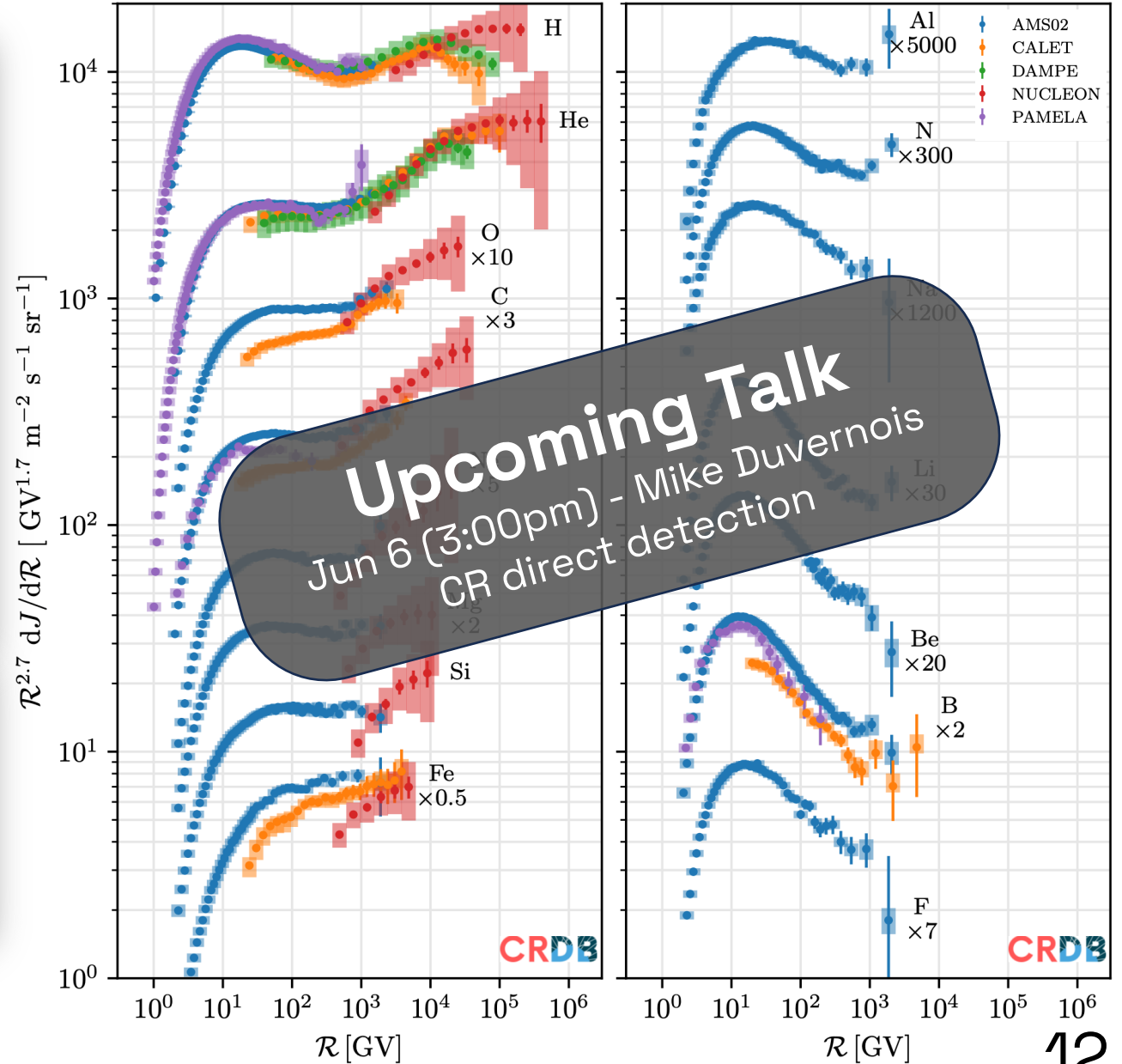
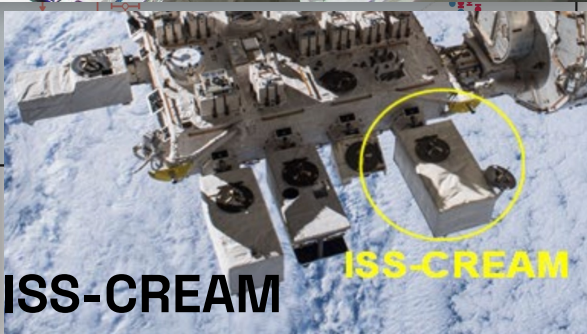
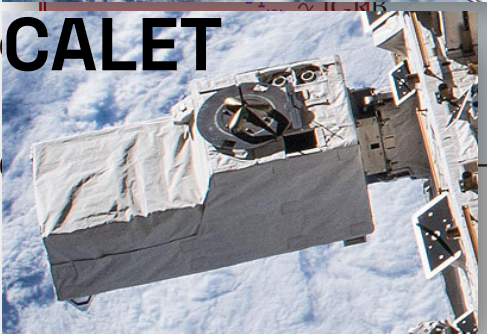
CR Spectrum



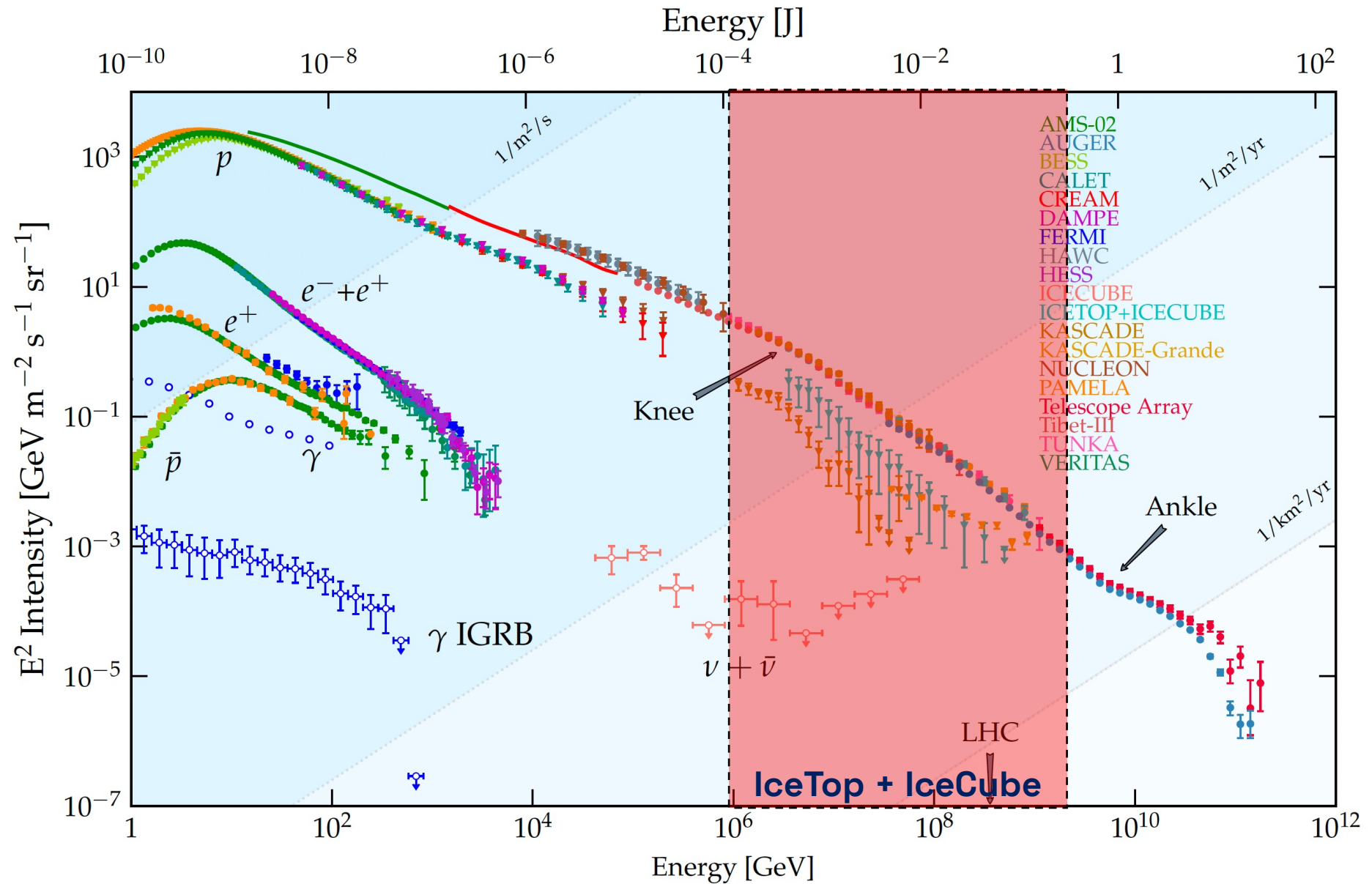
Solar Modulation



Direct Detection @ Edge of Atmosphere



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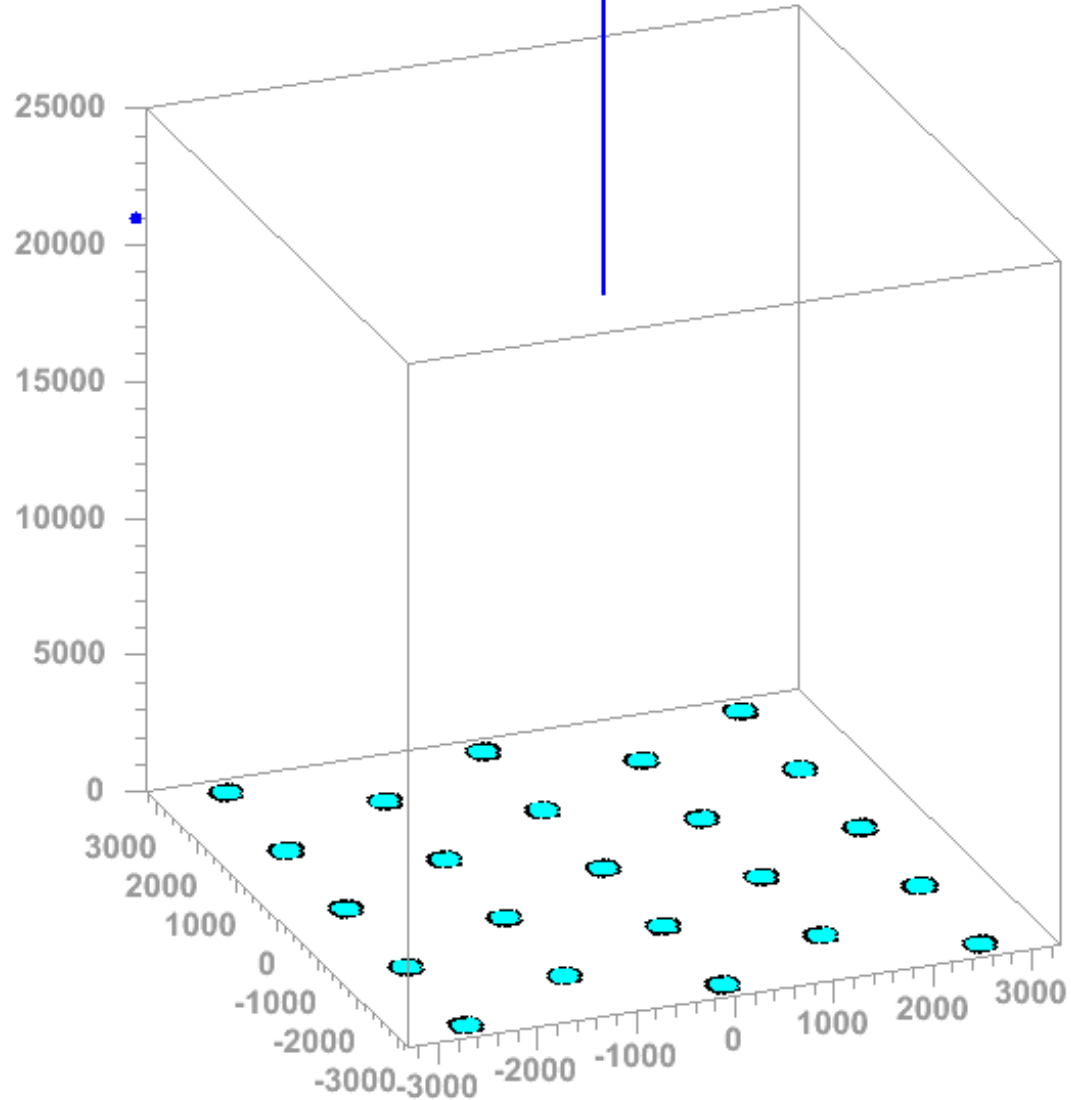


EAS : The Movie

hadrons muons electrs neutrs

0.00 · 10⁻⁶ sec

Iron 10¹⁵ eV
20919 m

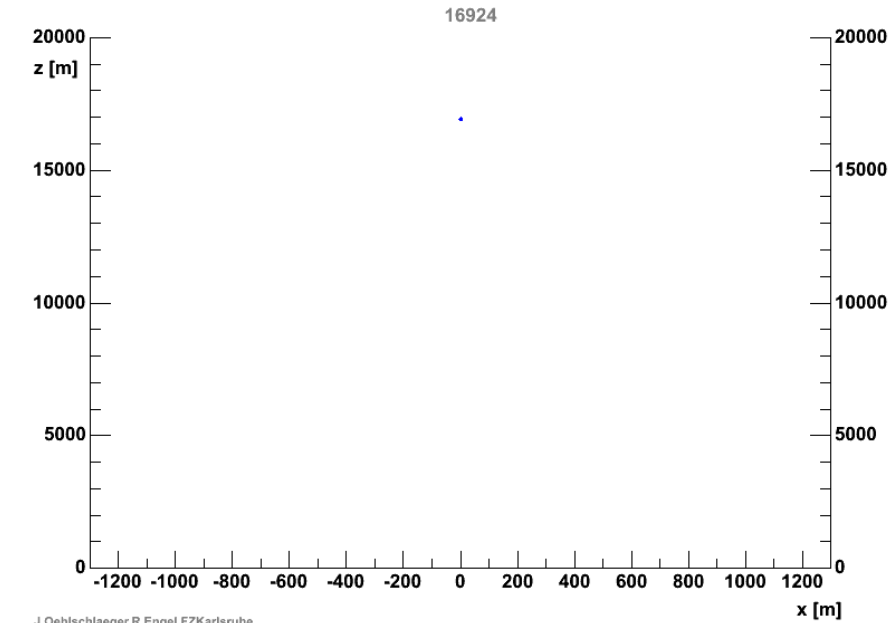


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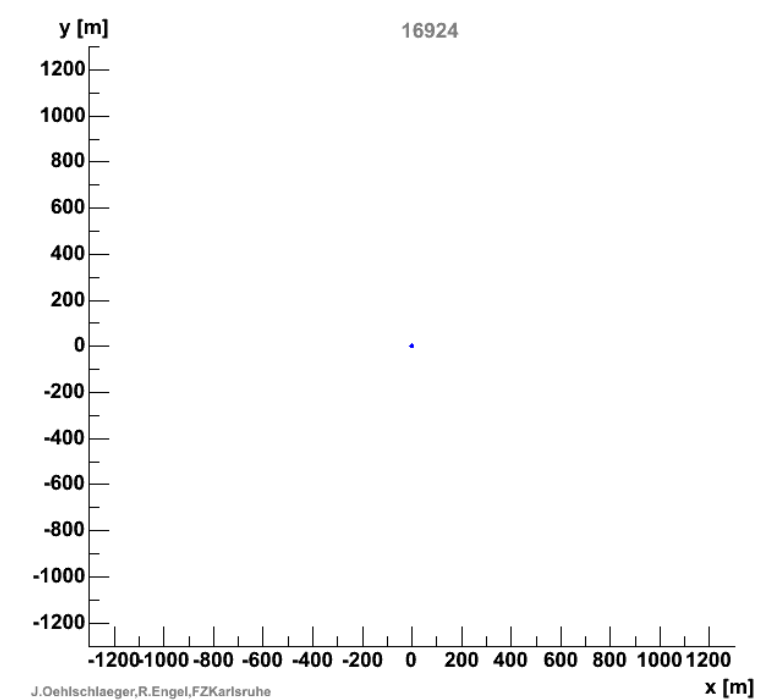
Proton 10¹⁴ eV



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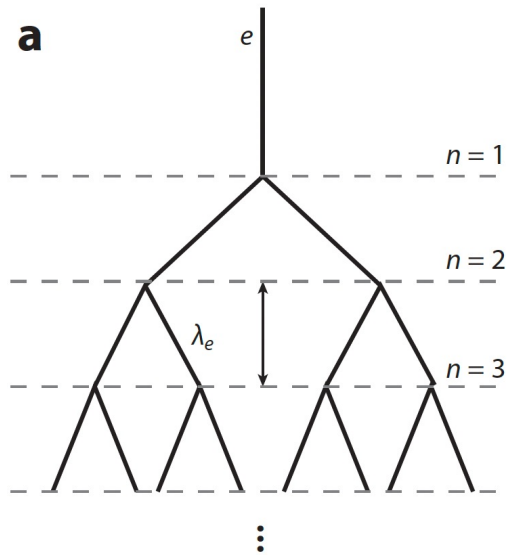
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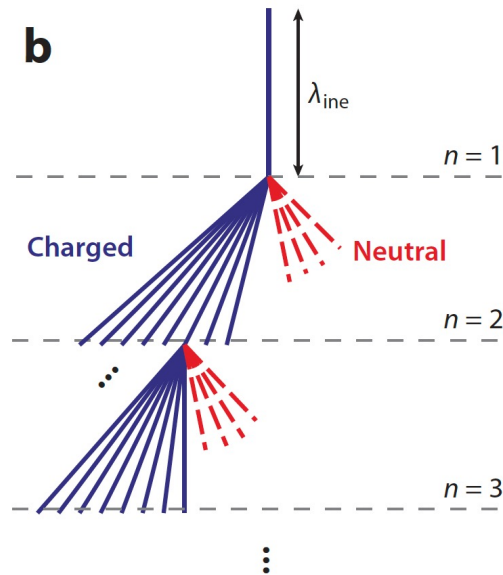
Indirect Detection using Extensive Air Shower

Heitler-Matthews Model

EM Shower

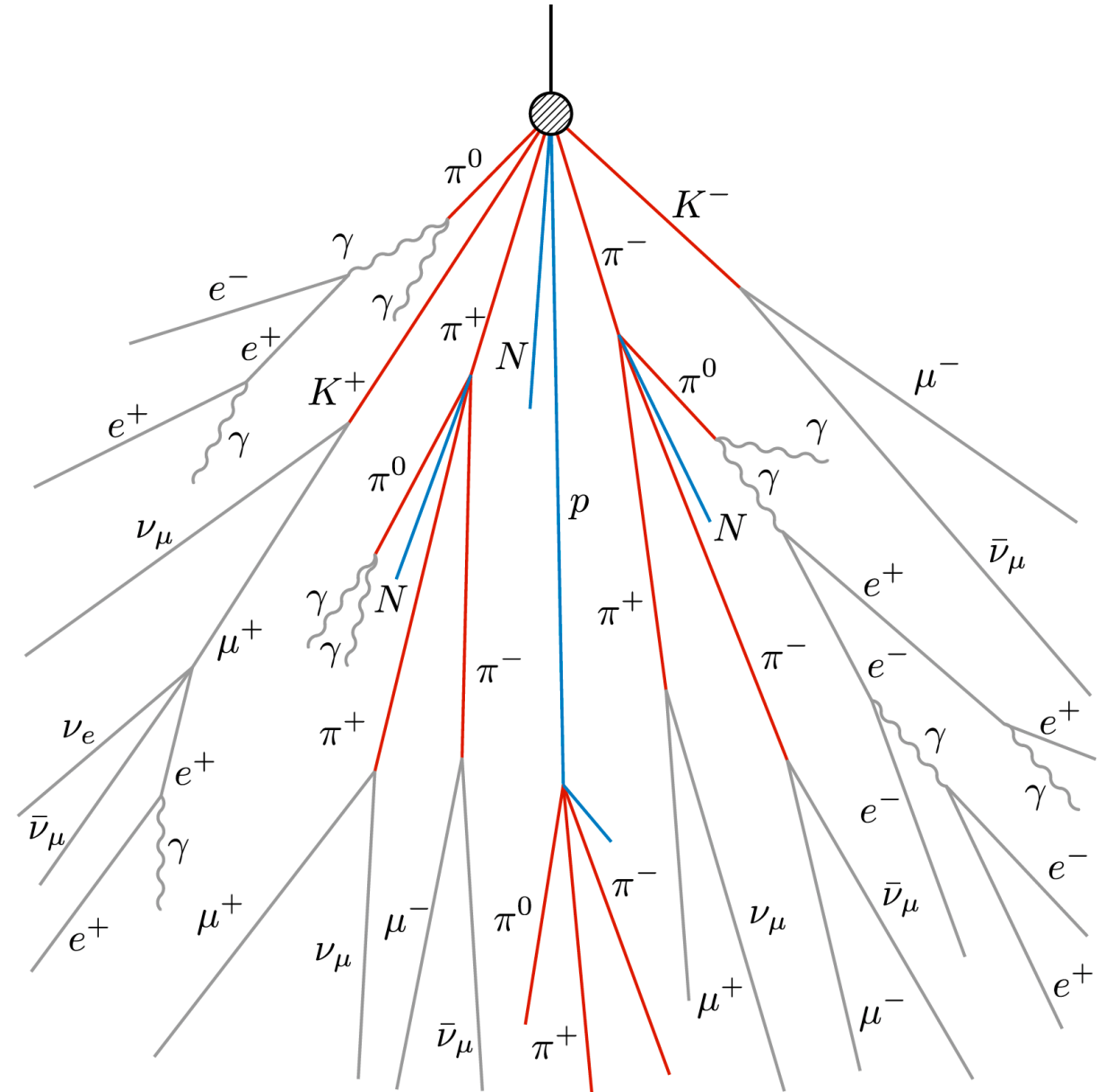


Hadronic Shower

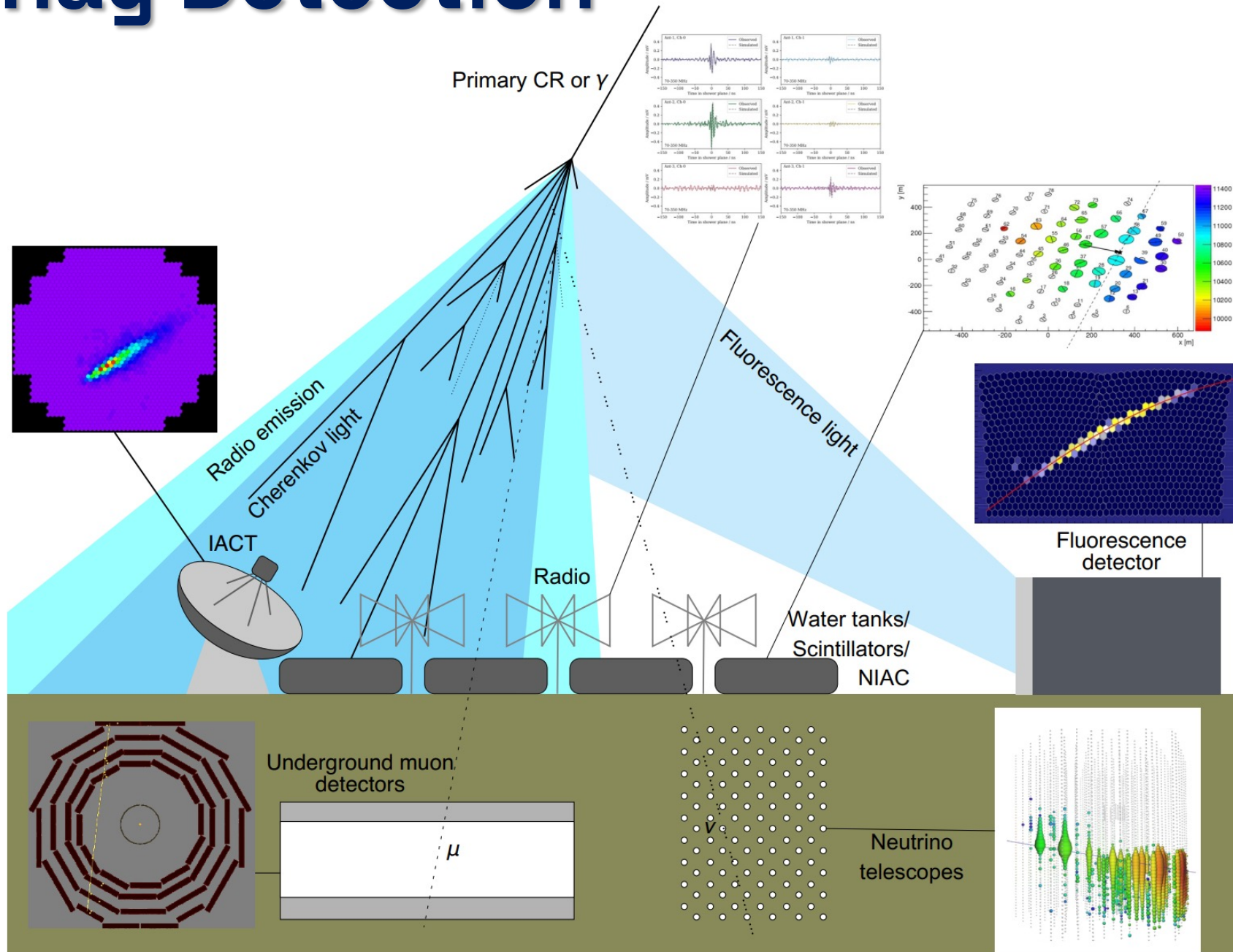


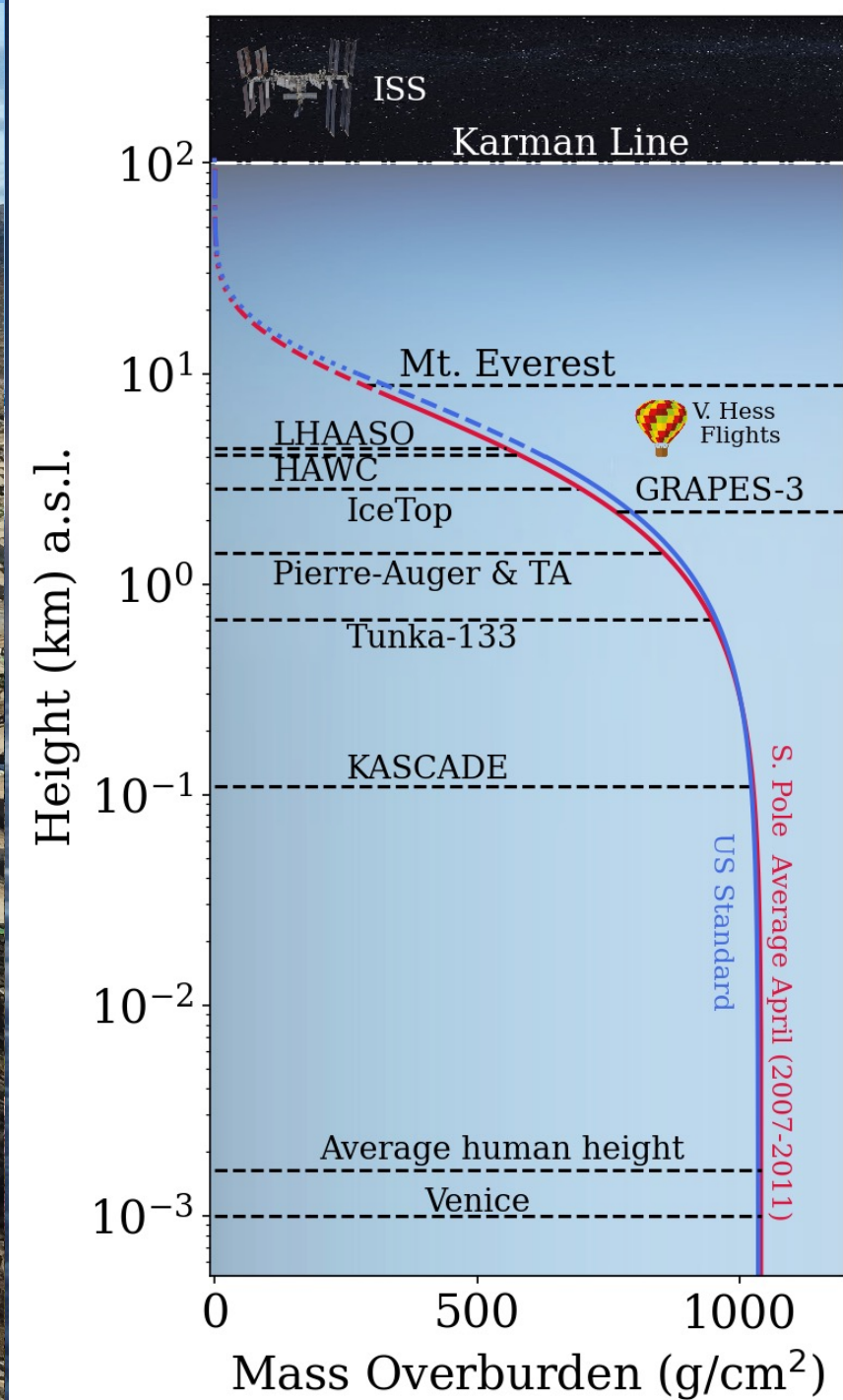
Simplified model to explain particle cascade production in atmosphere

Good enough to understand correlation between various observables → Details upcoming in the talk @ the CR School

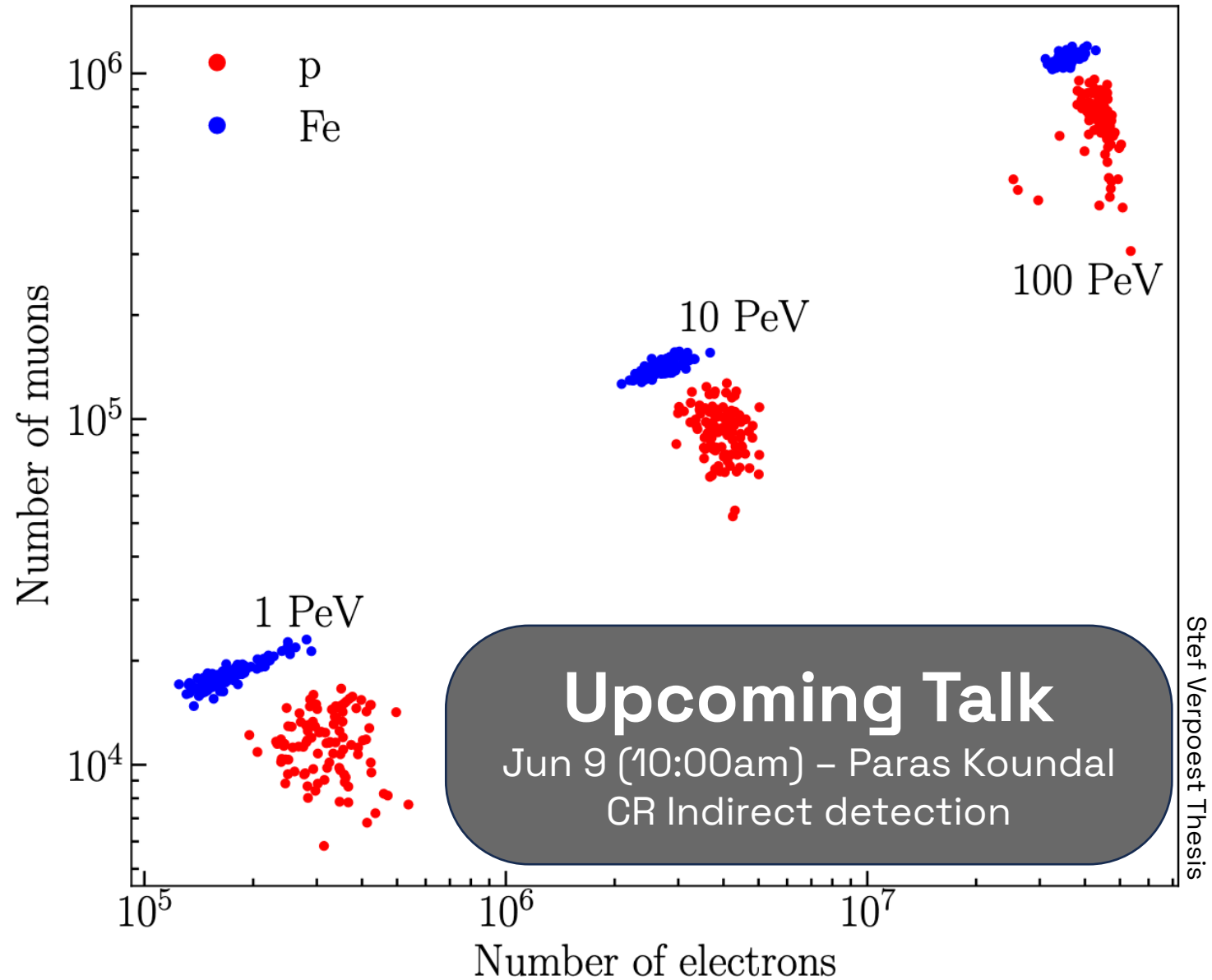


Cosmic Ray Detection

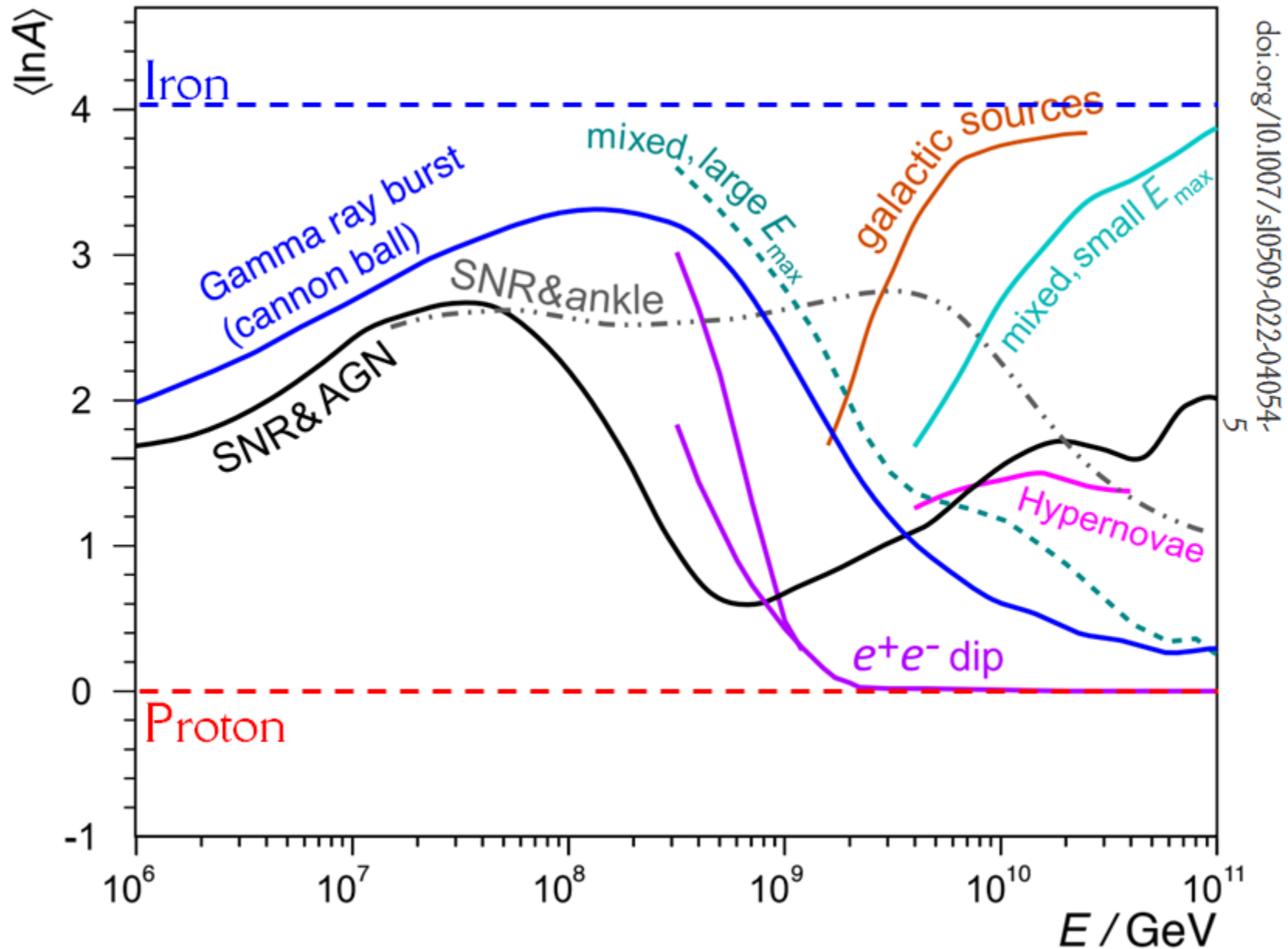


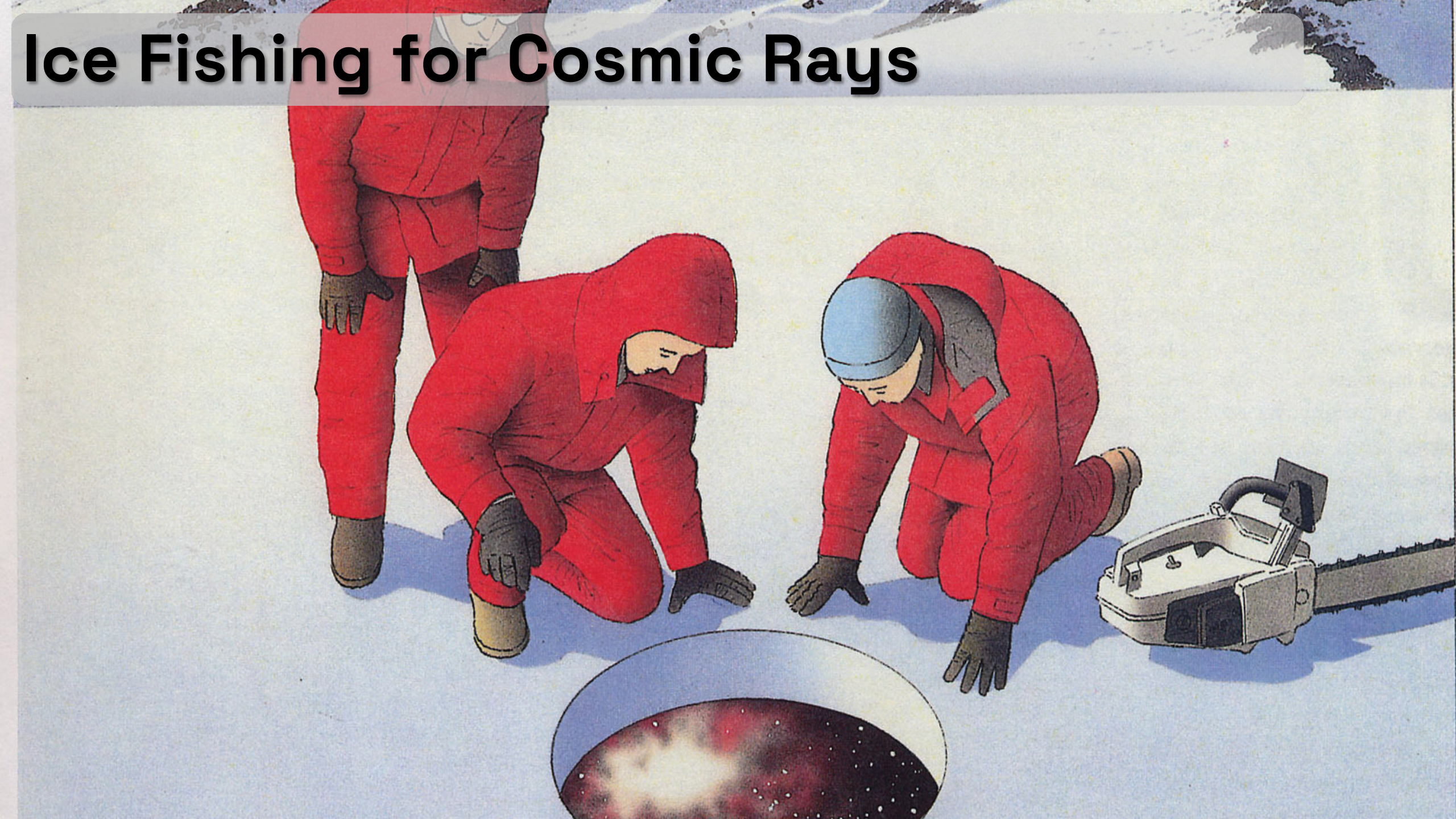


EAS : Particle Numbers



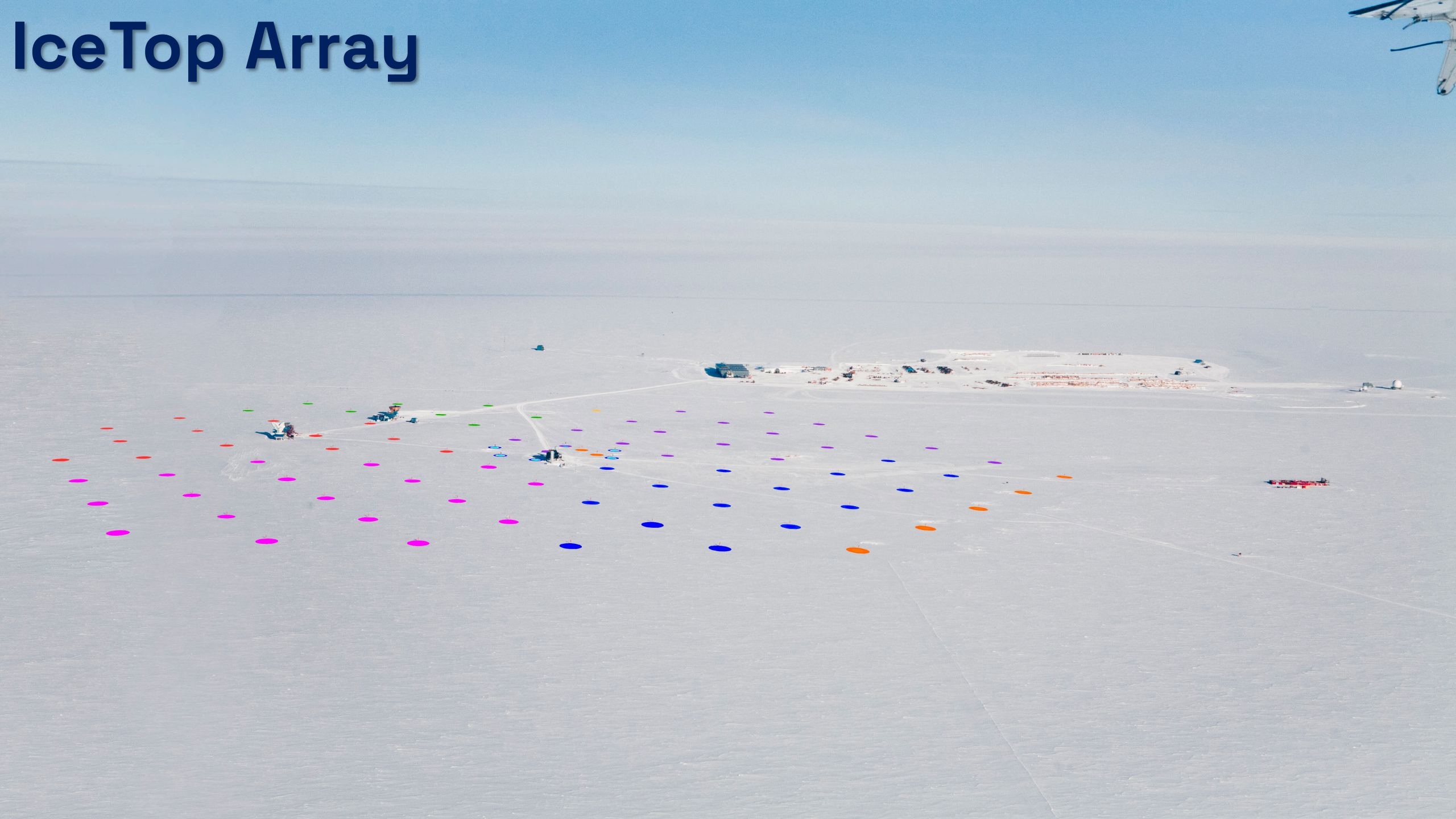
Why Energy & Composition?





Ice Fishing for Cosmic Rays

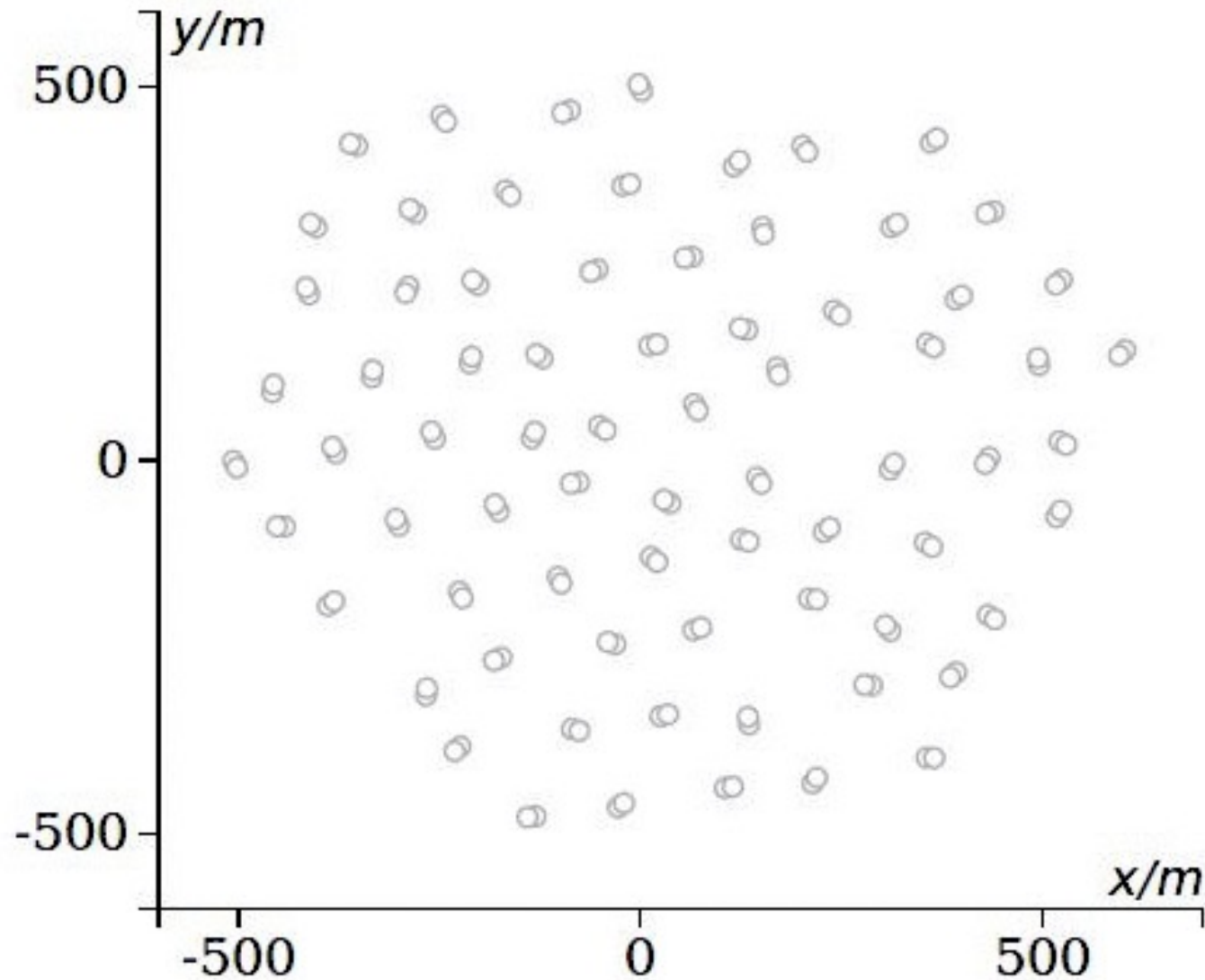
IceTop Array



IceTop Station



Core & Direction



Practice Yourself

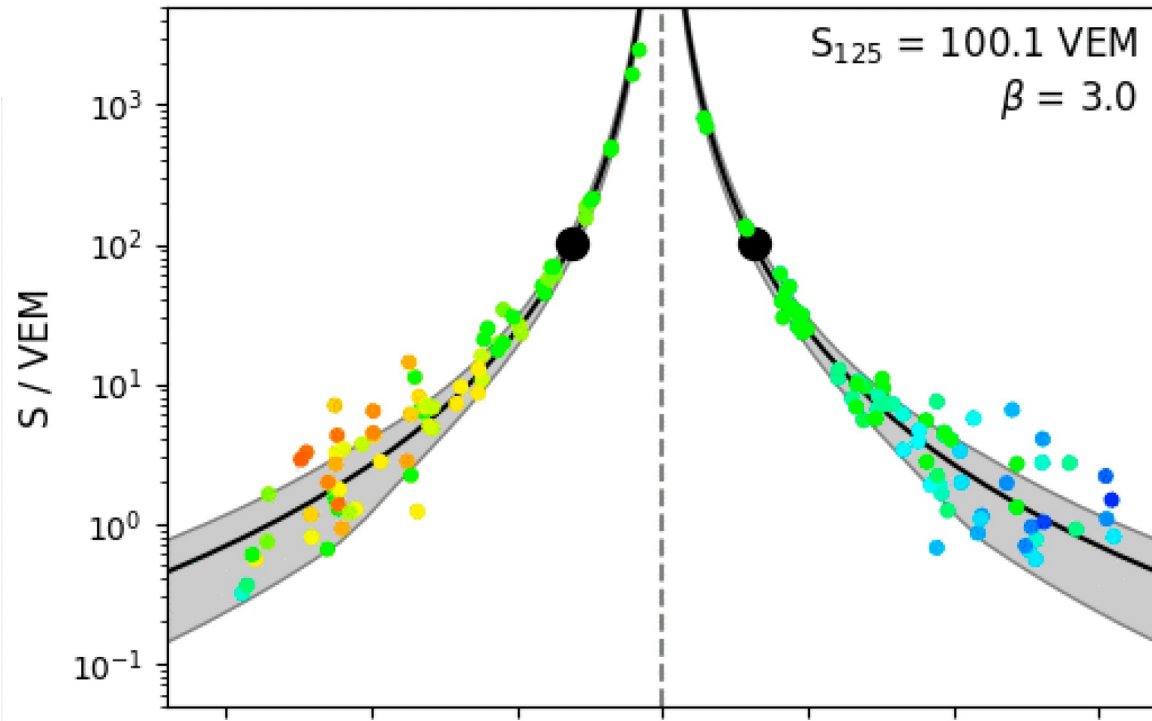


In reality

Complex likelihoods considering spatiotemporal, charge, saturation etc. information are built and minimized



Energy

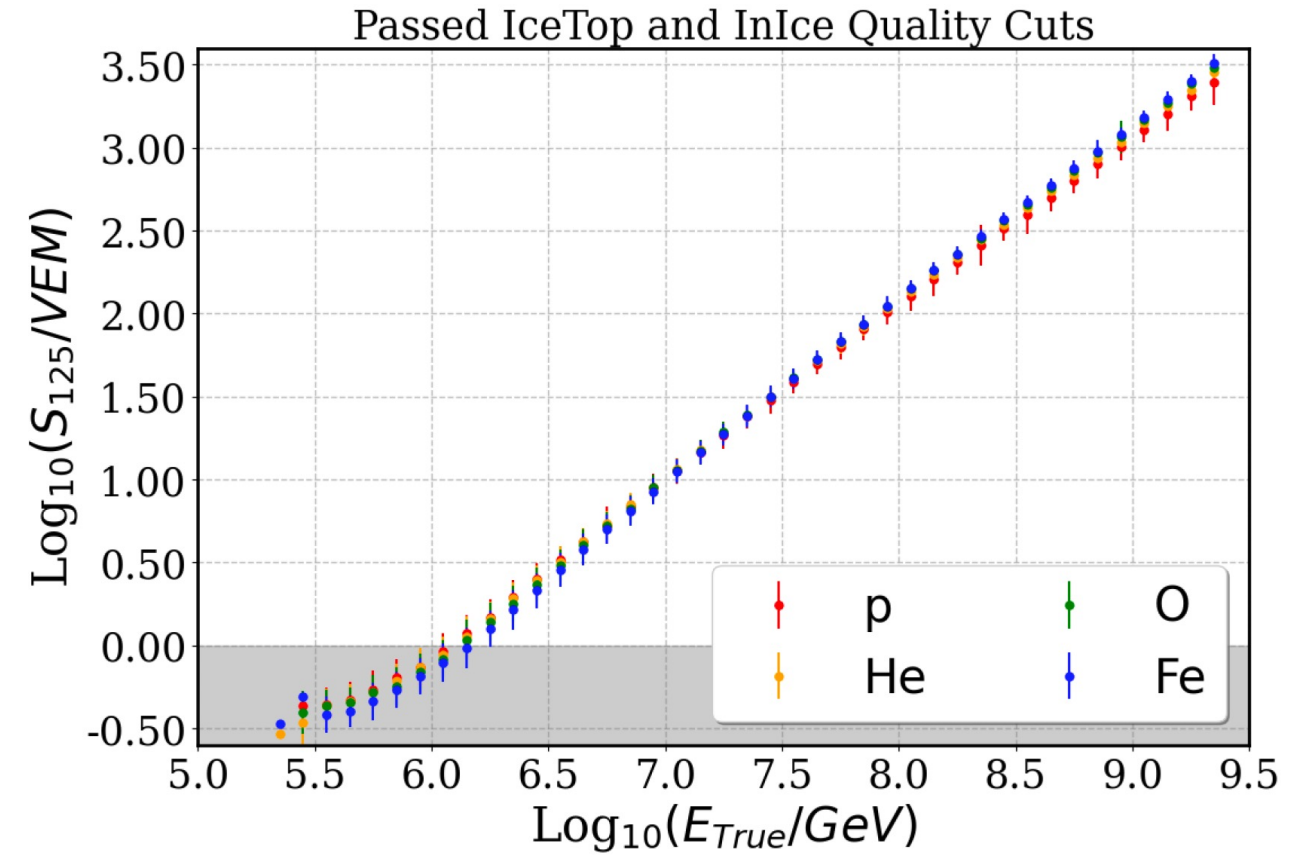


Measure of the steepness of the LDF

$$S = S_{125} \cdot \left(\frac{r}{125 \text{ m}} \right)^{-\beta - \kappa \log_{10} \left(\frac{r}{125 \text{ m}} \right)}$$

≈ 0.303

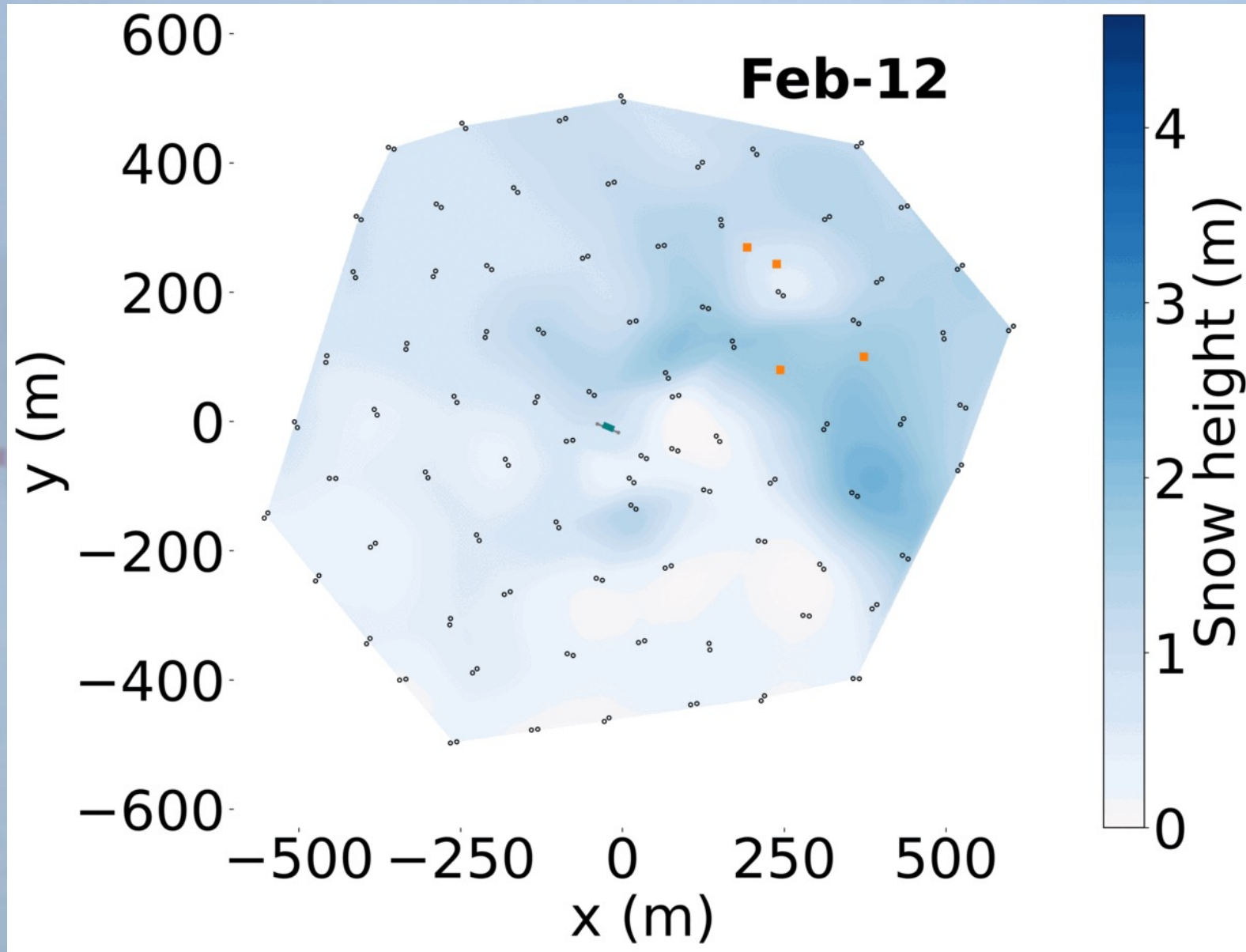
Signal expectation at 125 m
from shower axis



S_{125} is a good energy proxy

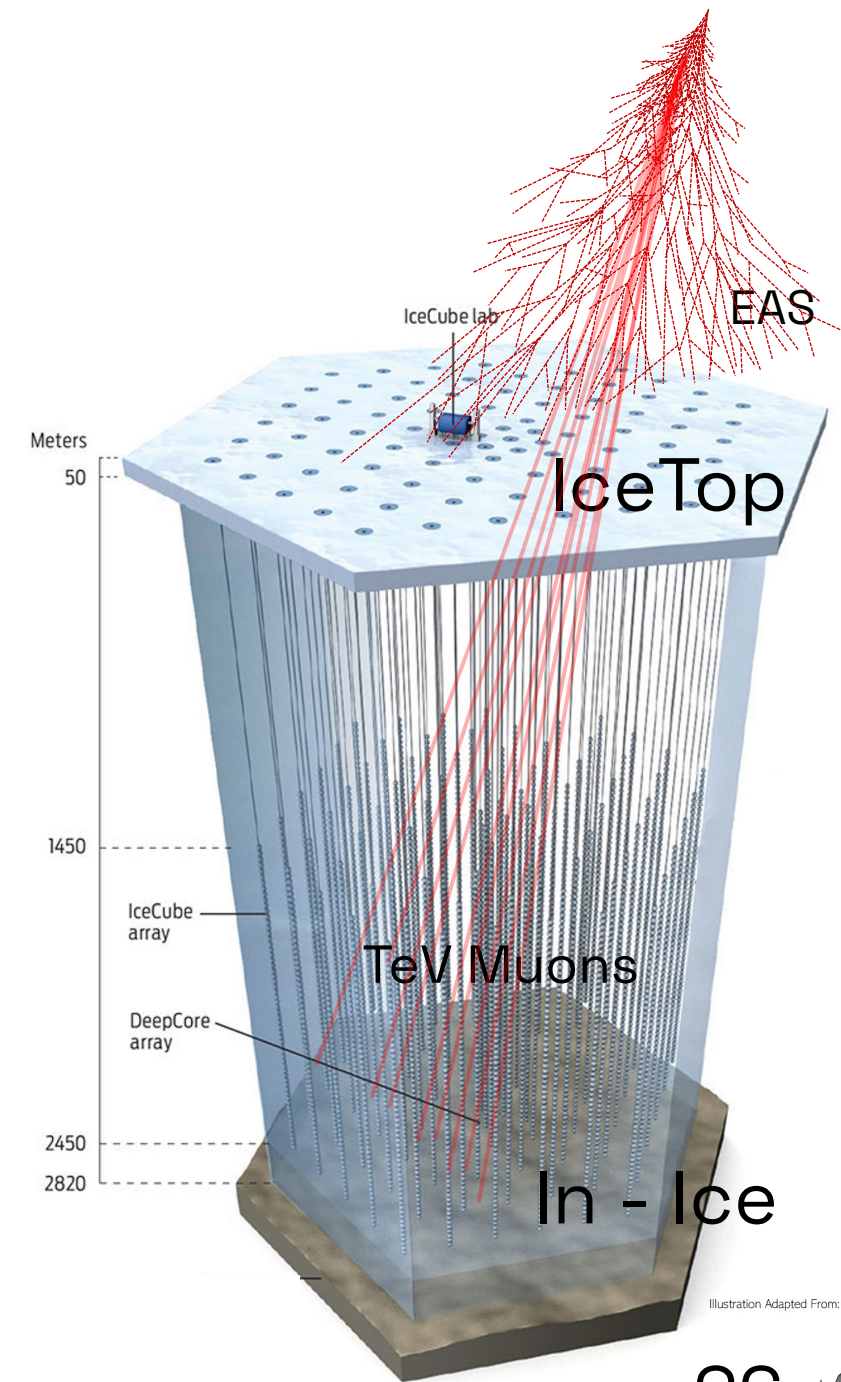
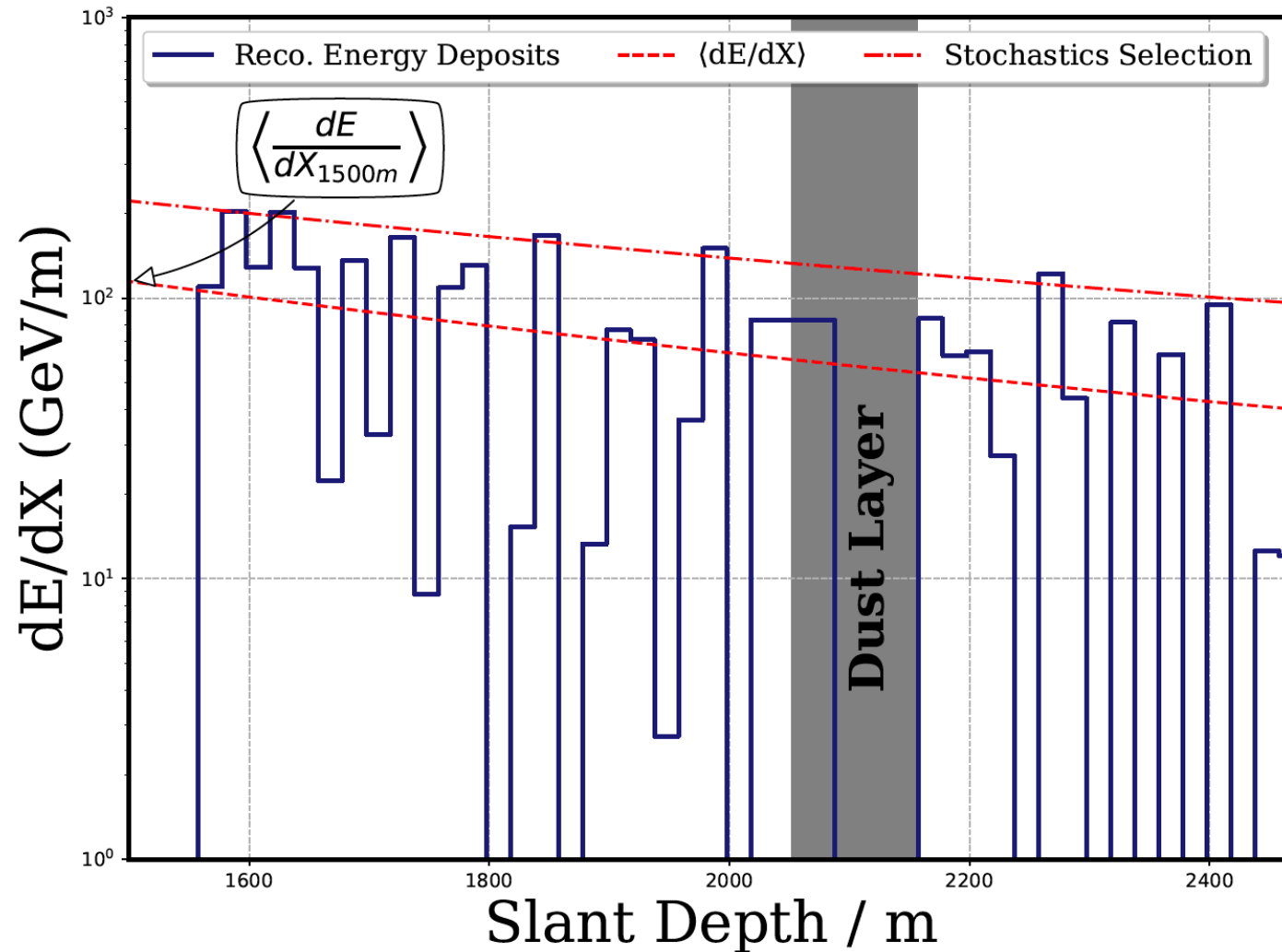


Energy Correction

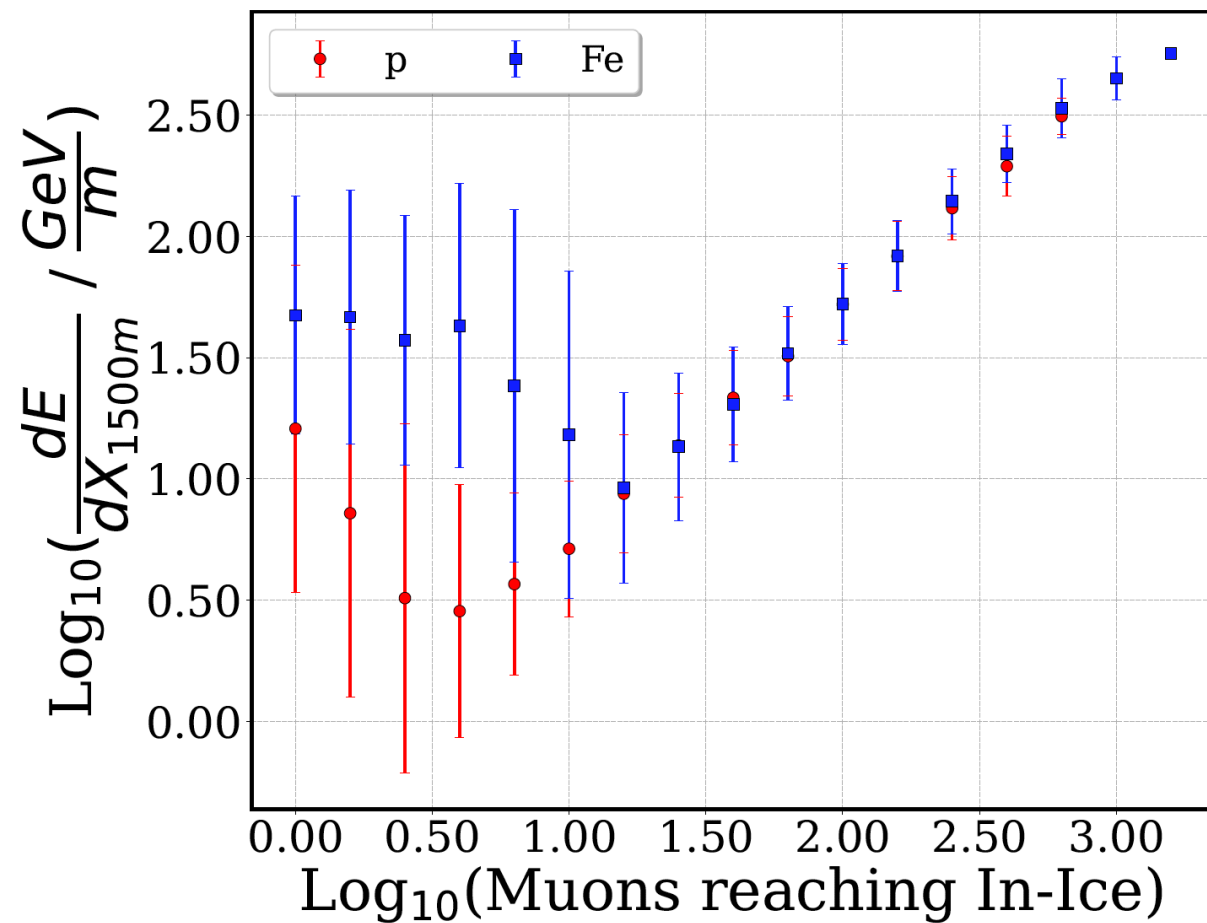


Composition

Direct muon counting is not possible



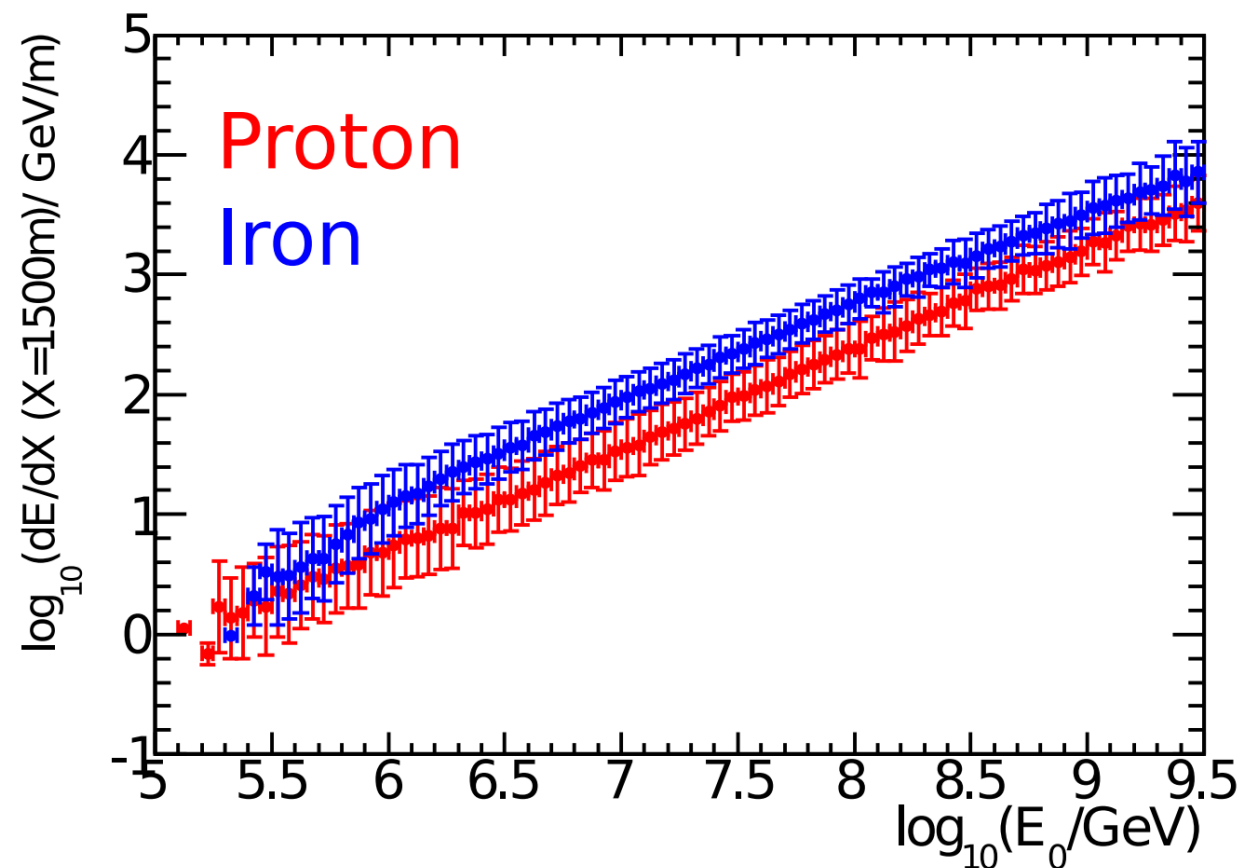
Composition



In-Ice Muon Energy deposit is a good proxy for muon-number

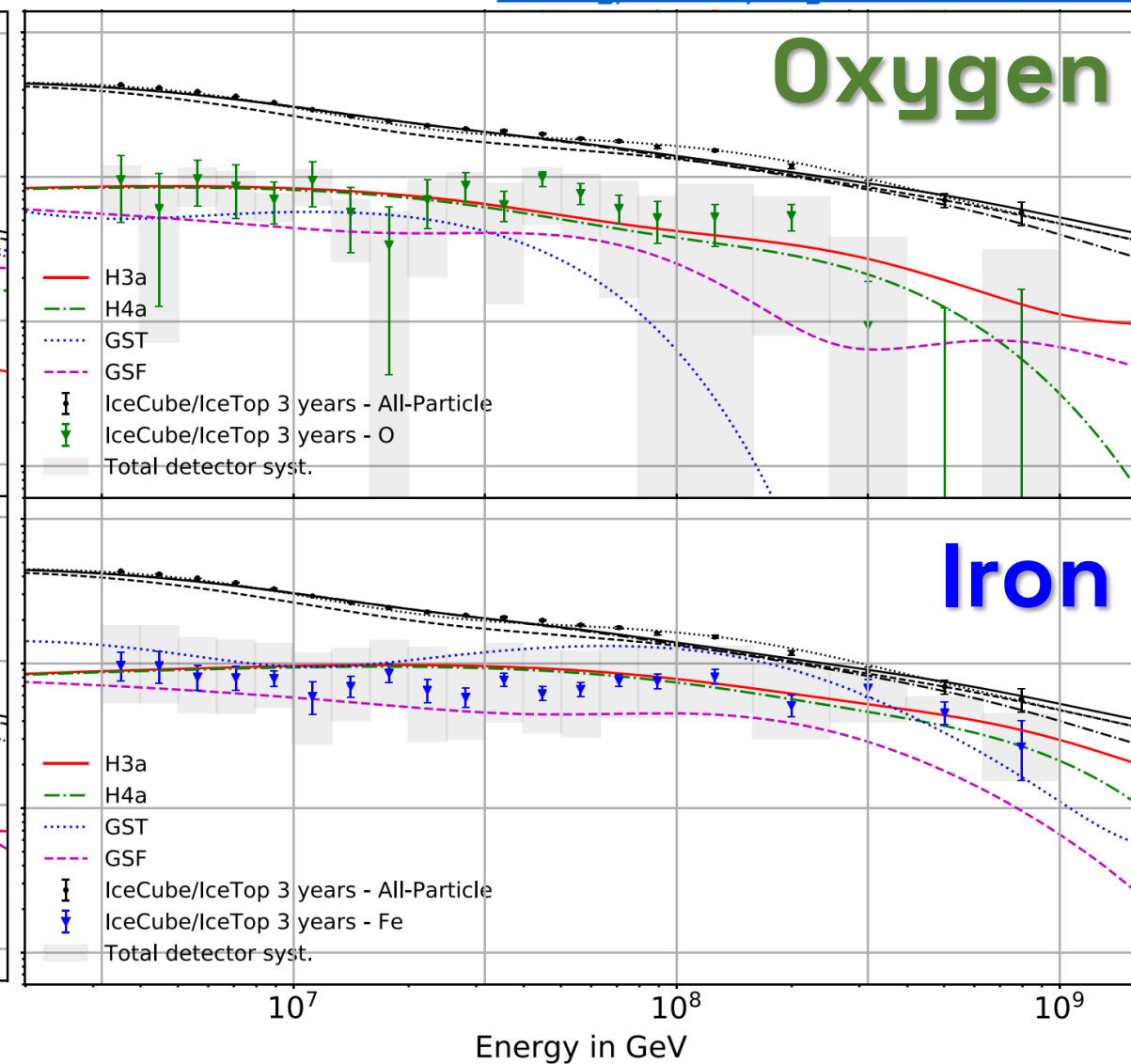
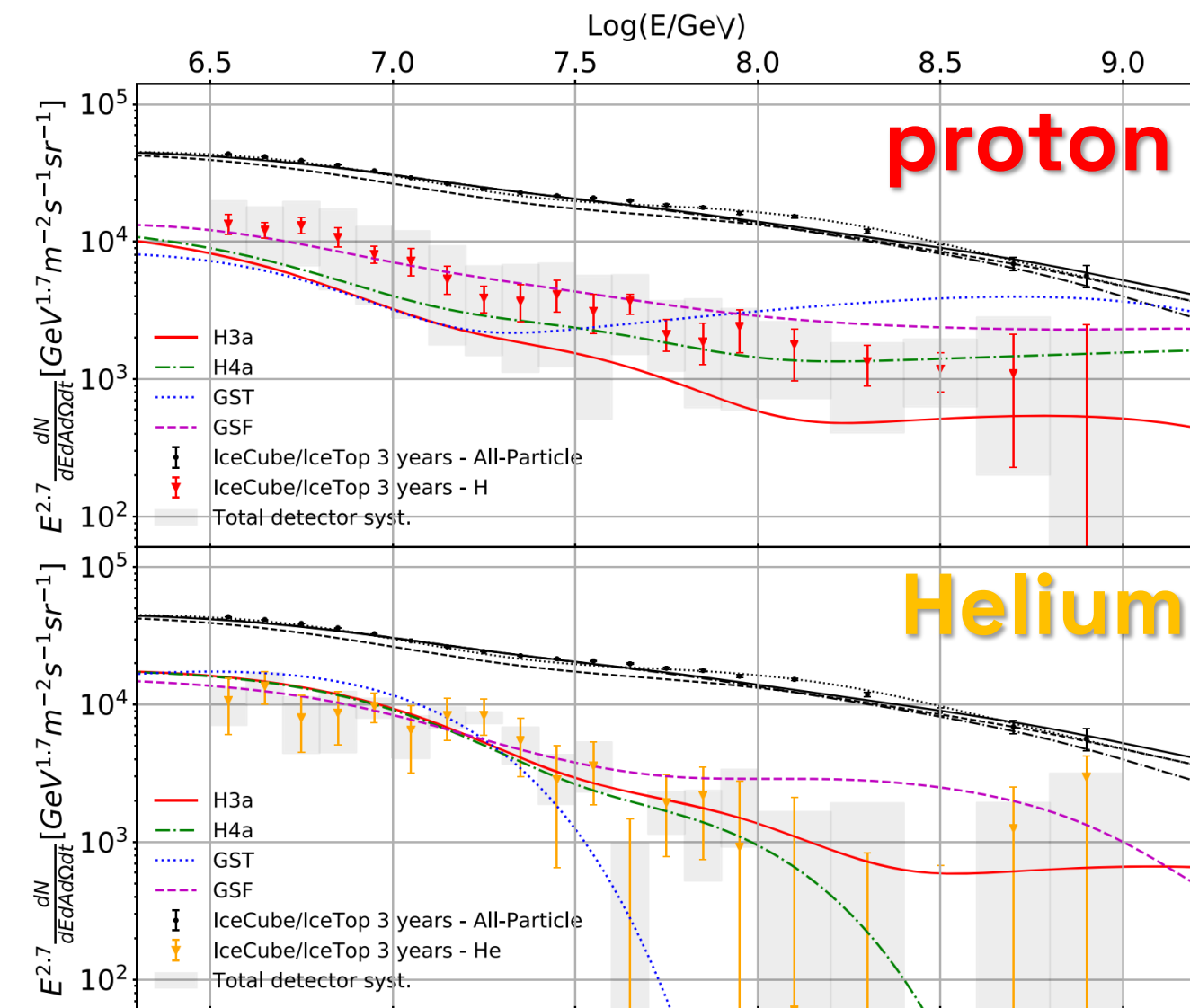
Elbert Formula

$$\langle N_{\mu}(> E_{\mu}, E_0, A, \theta) \rangle \approx \frac{14.5 \text{ GeV} \cdot A}{E_{\mu} \cos(\theta)} \left(\frac{E_0}{A \cdot E_{\mu}} \right)^{0.757} \left(1 - \frac{A \cdot E_{\mu}}{E_0} \right)^{5.25}$$

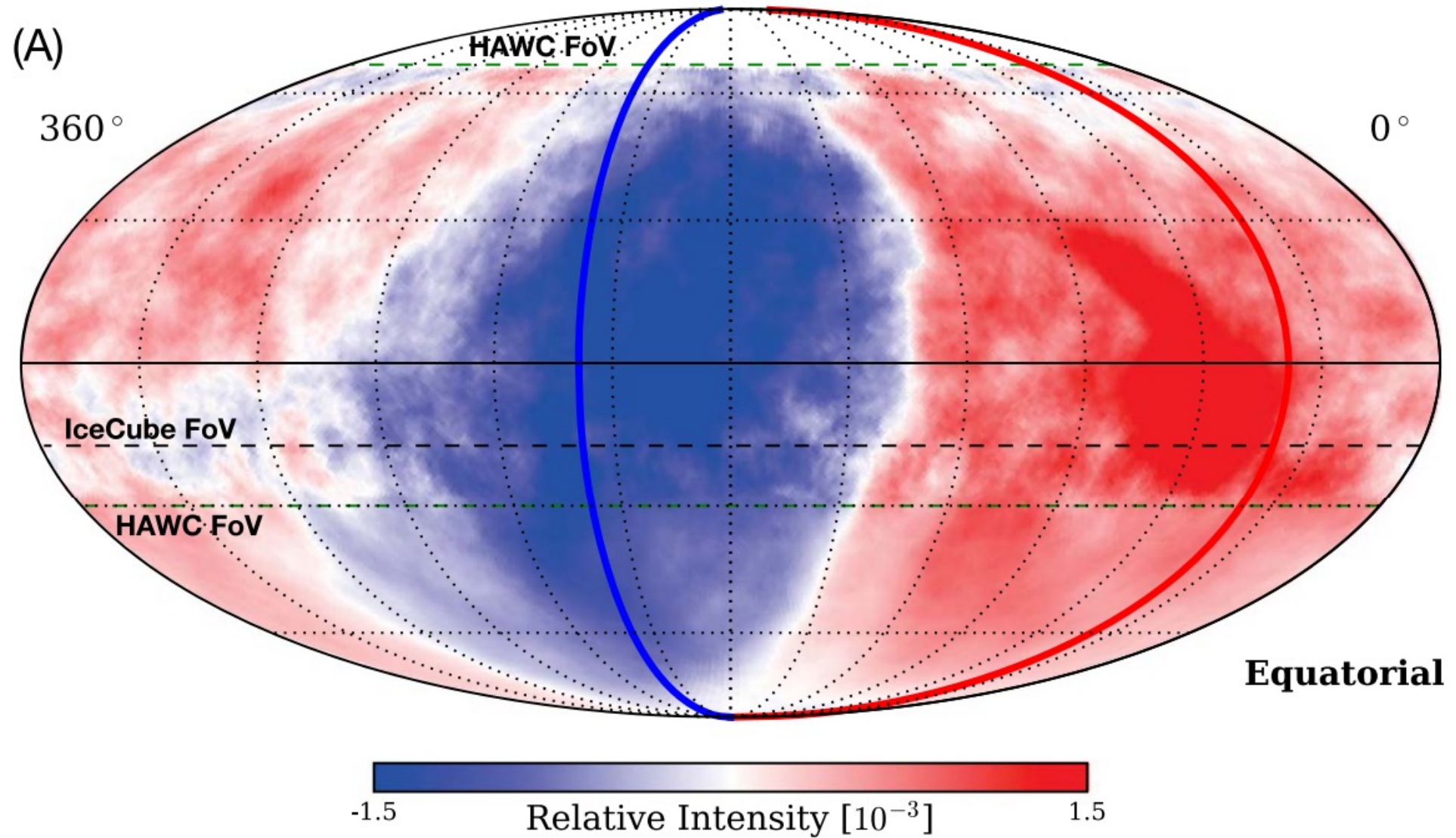


Spectrum

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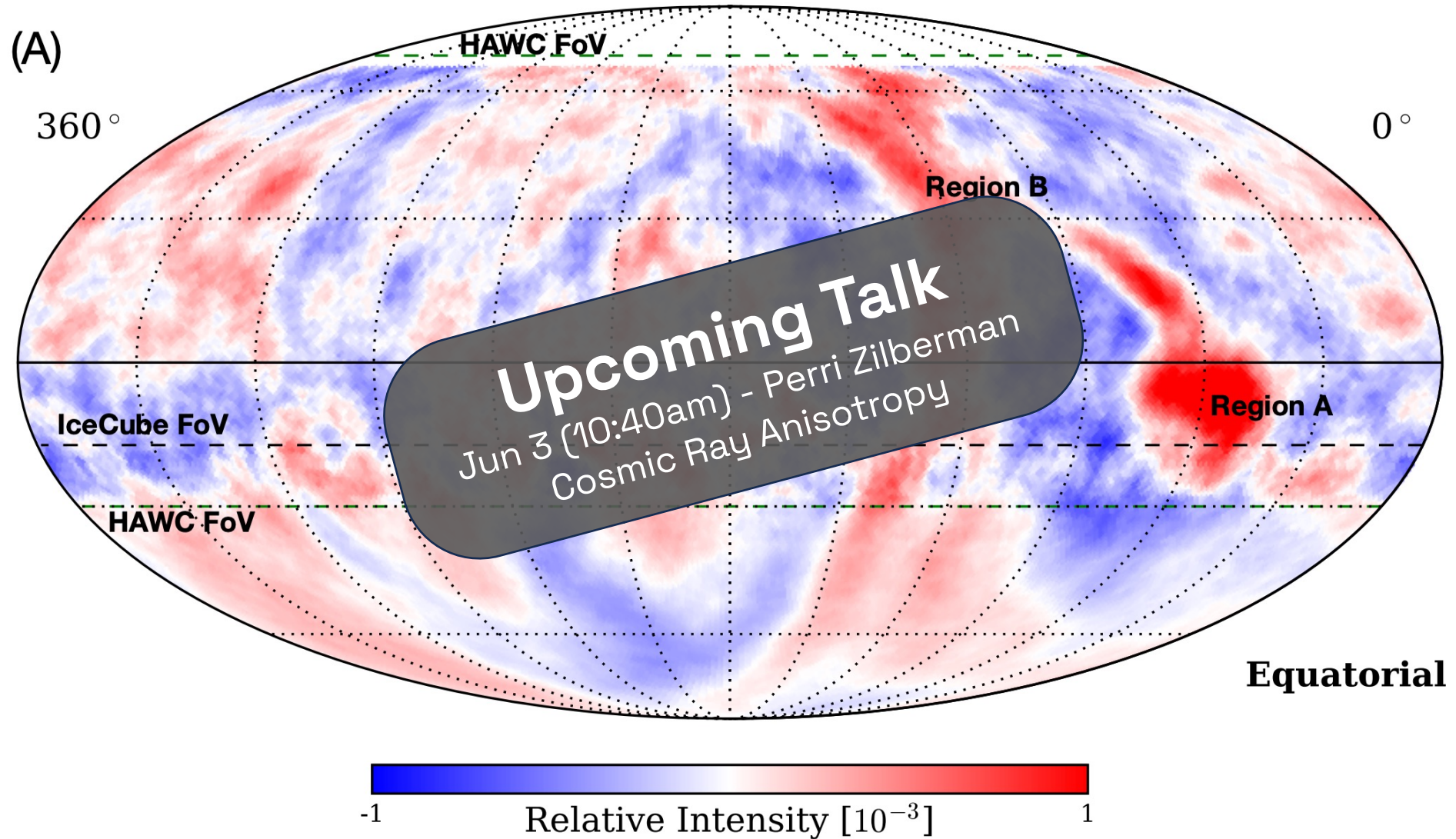


Anisotropy



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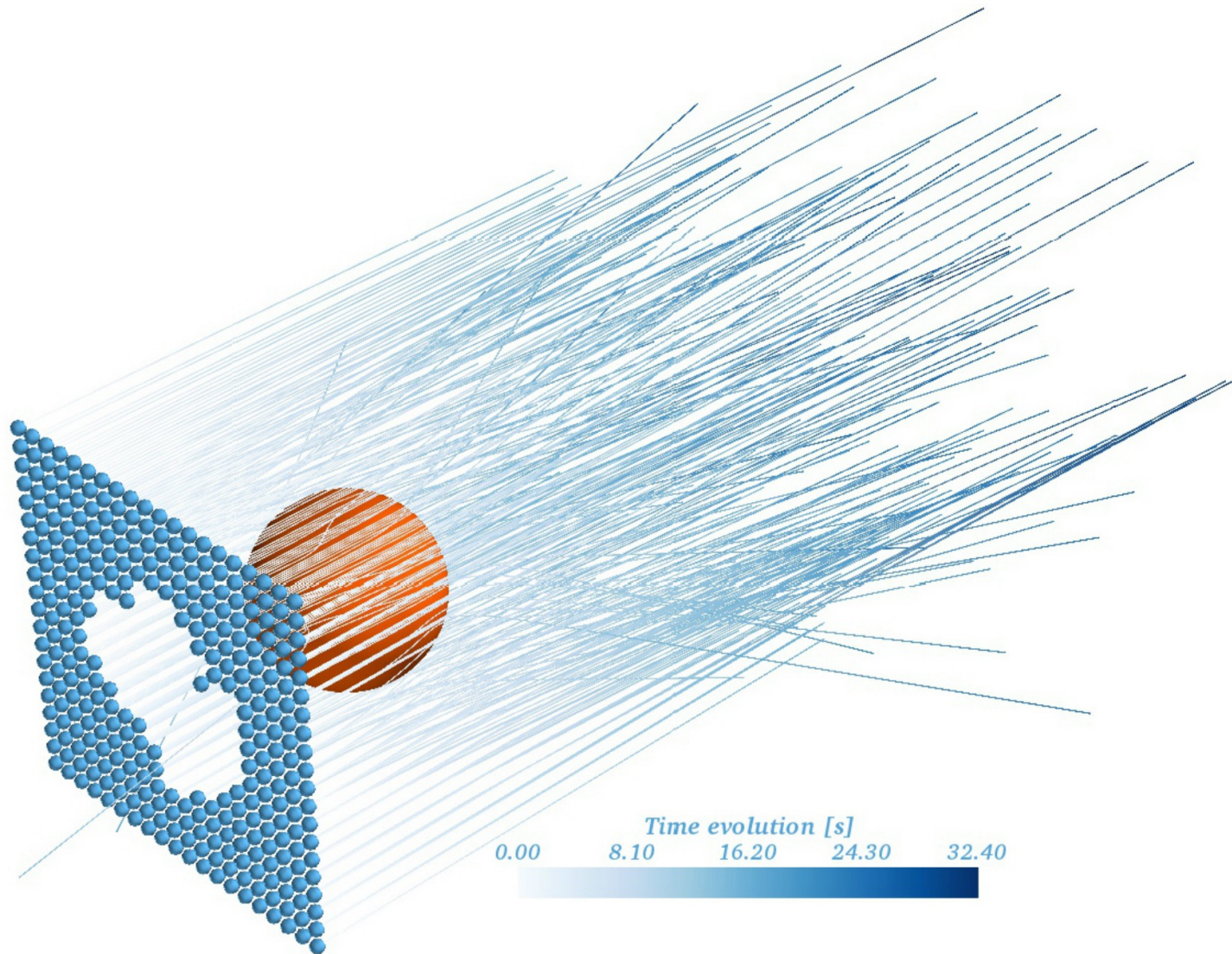
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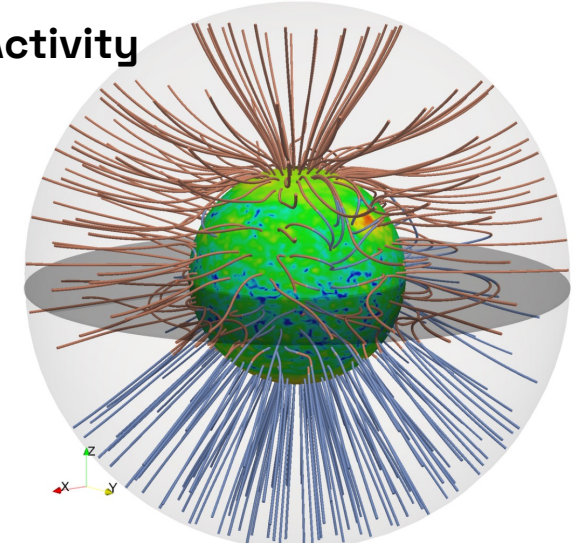
Sun & Moon Shadow



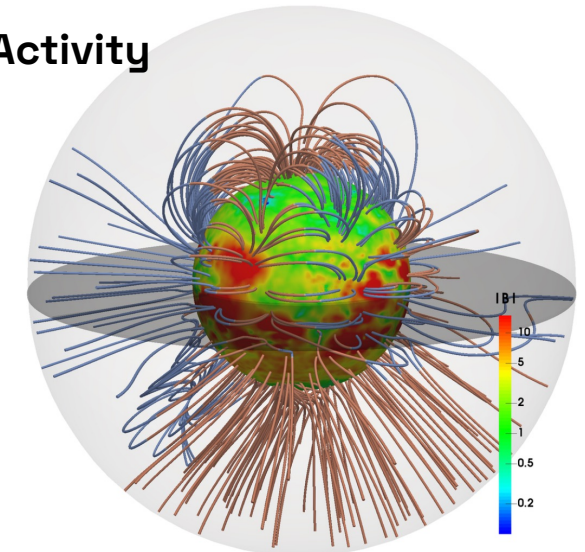
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Solar Magnetic Field

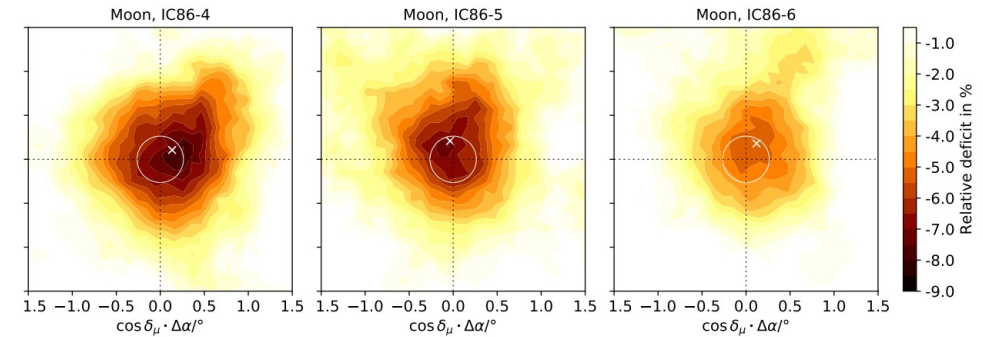
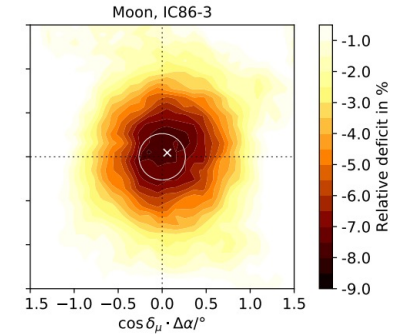
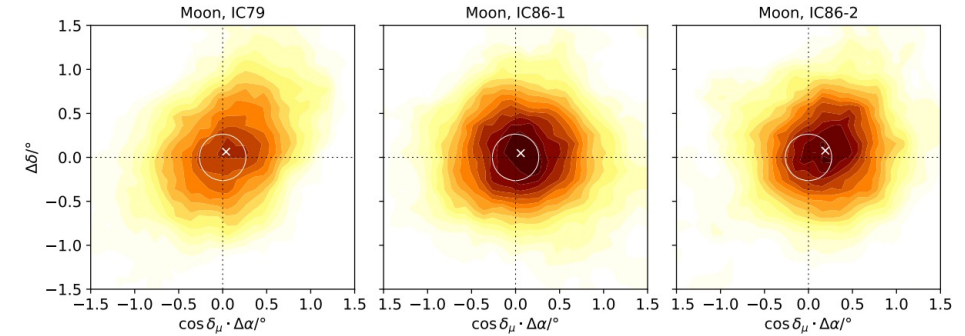
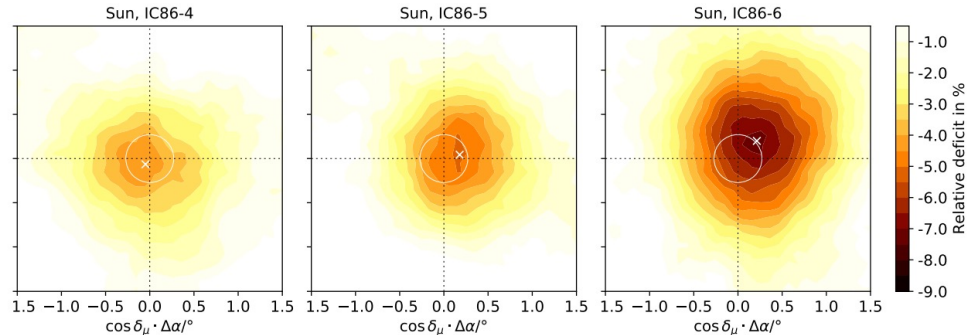
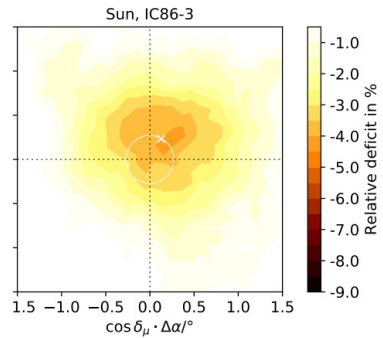
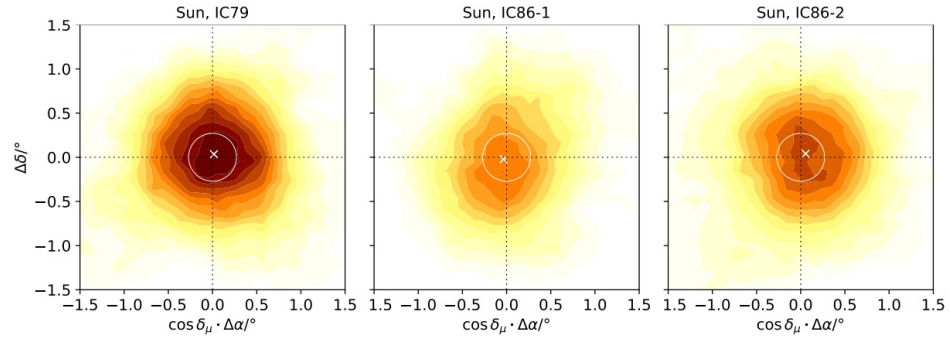
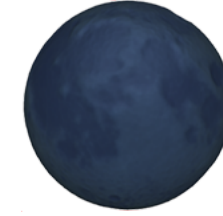
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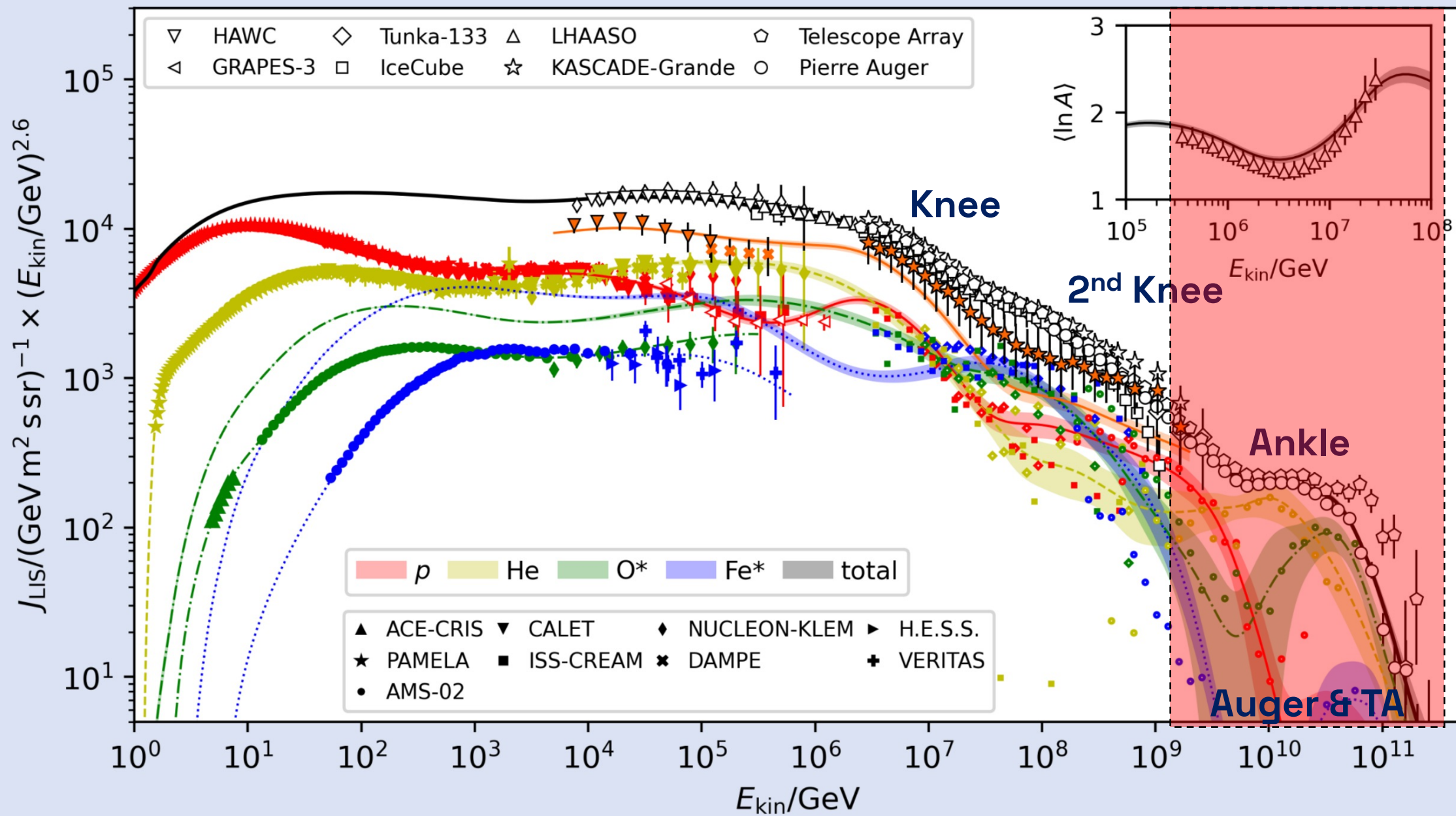
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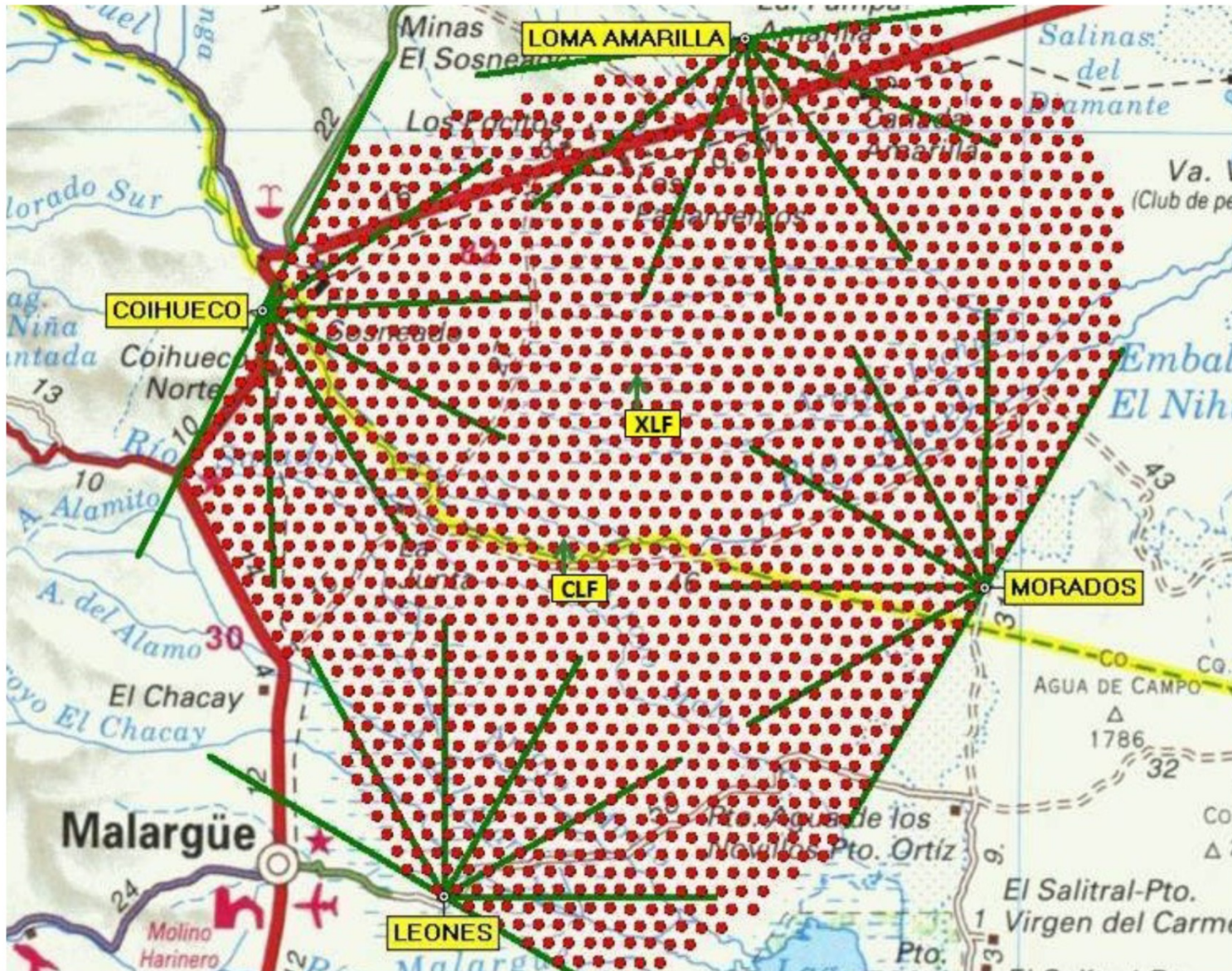


CR Landscape

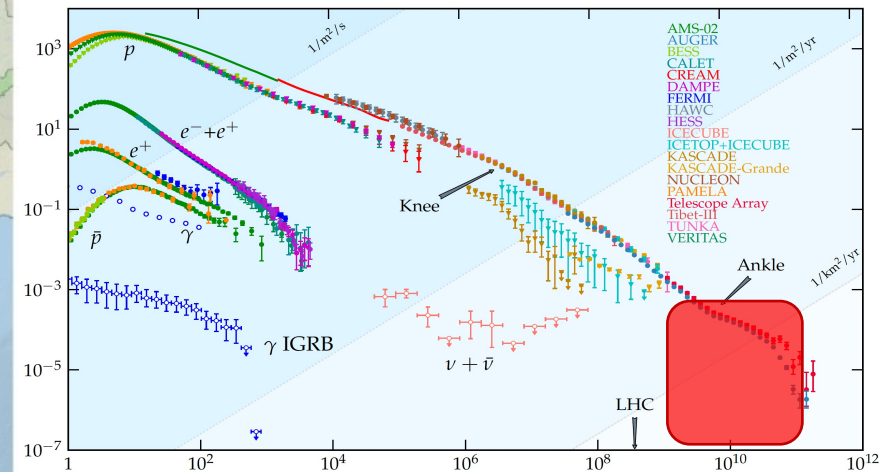
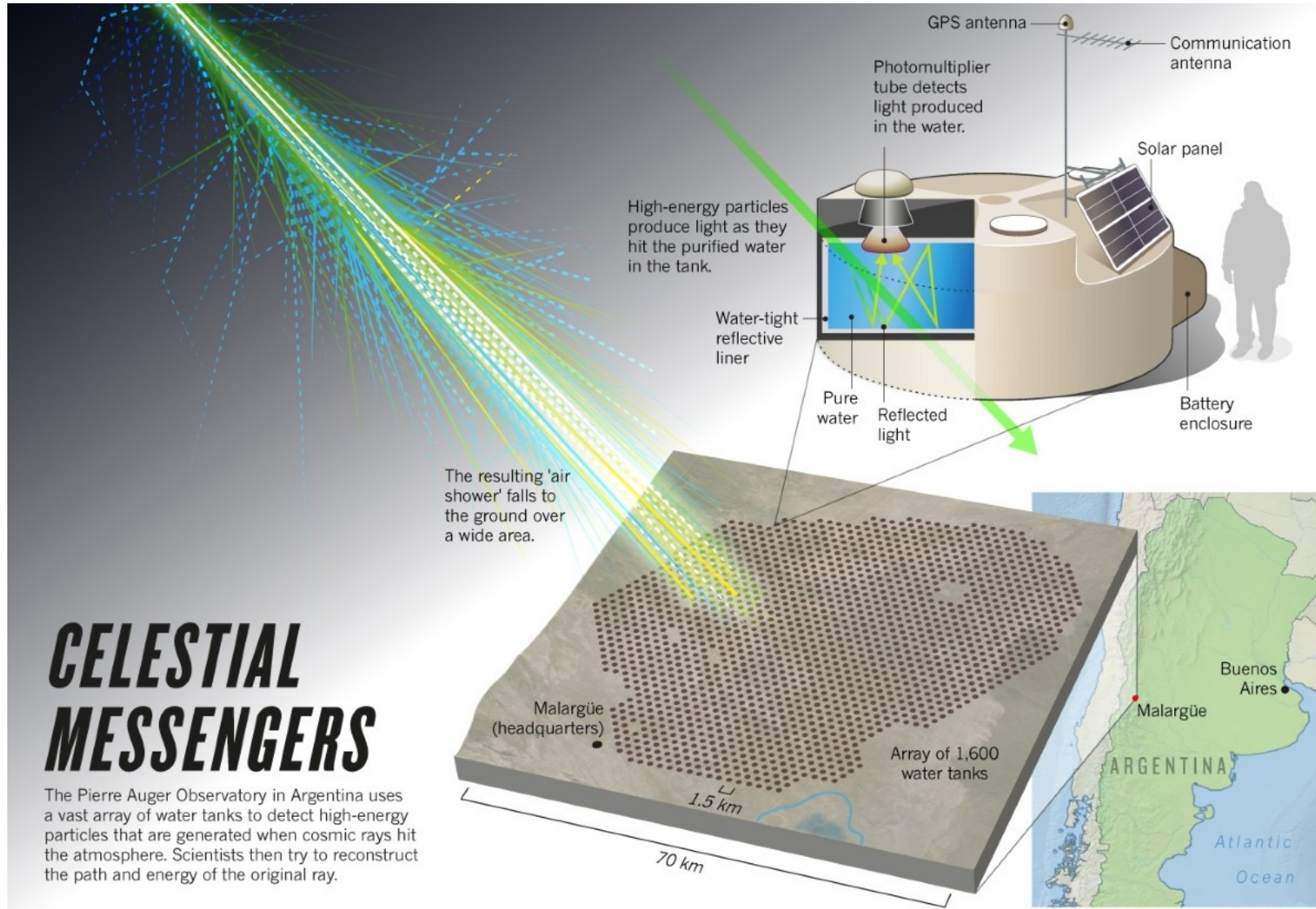


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Pierre Auger Observatory



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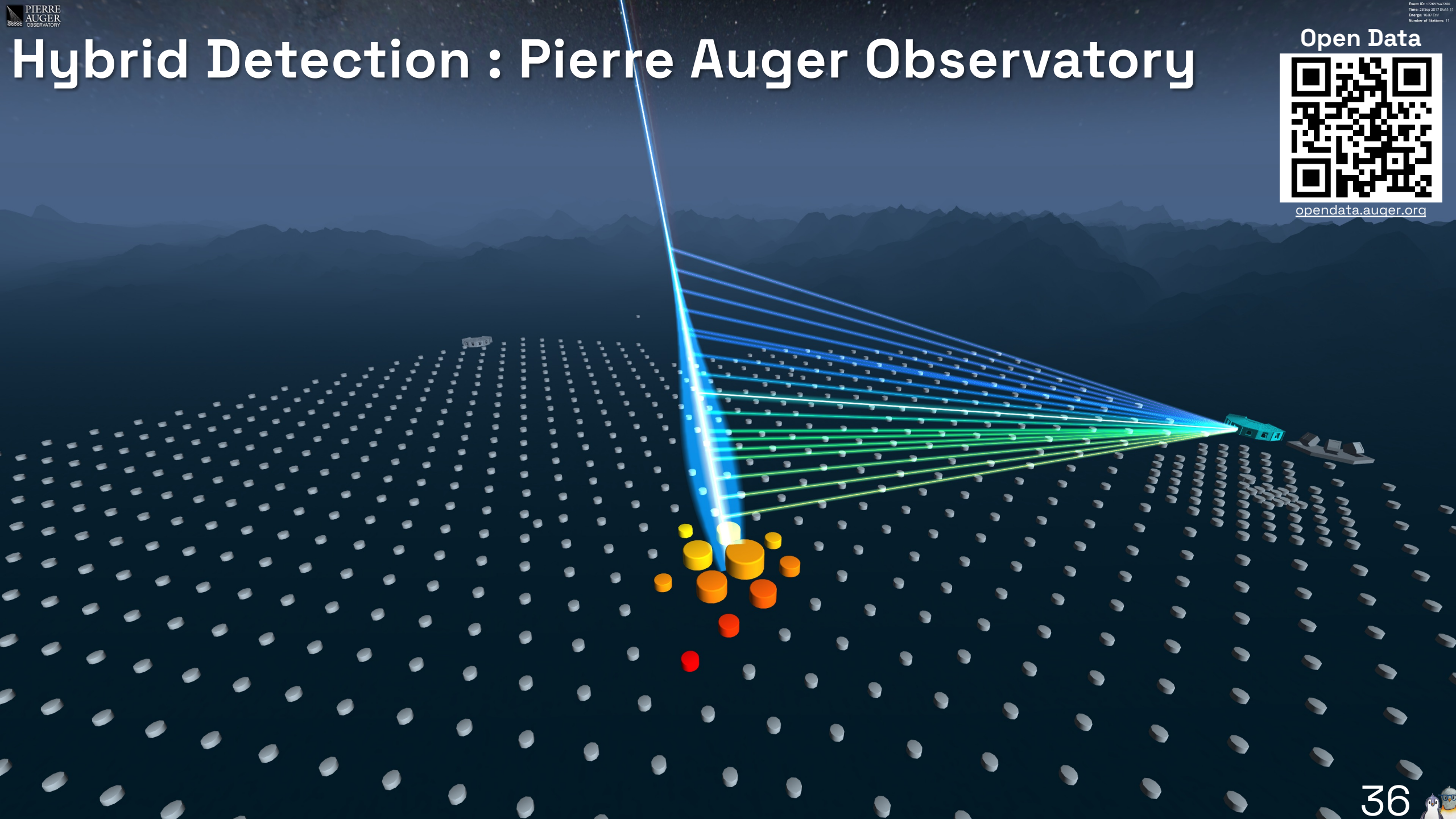


Hybrid Detection : Pierre Auger Observatory

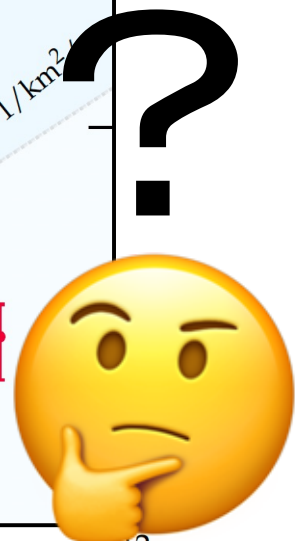
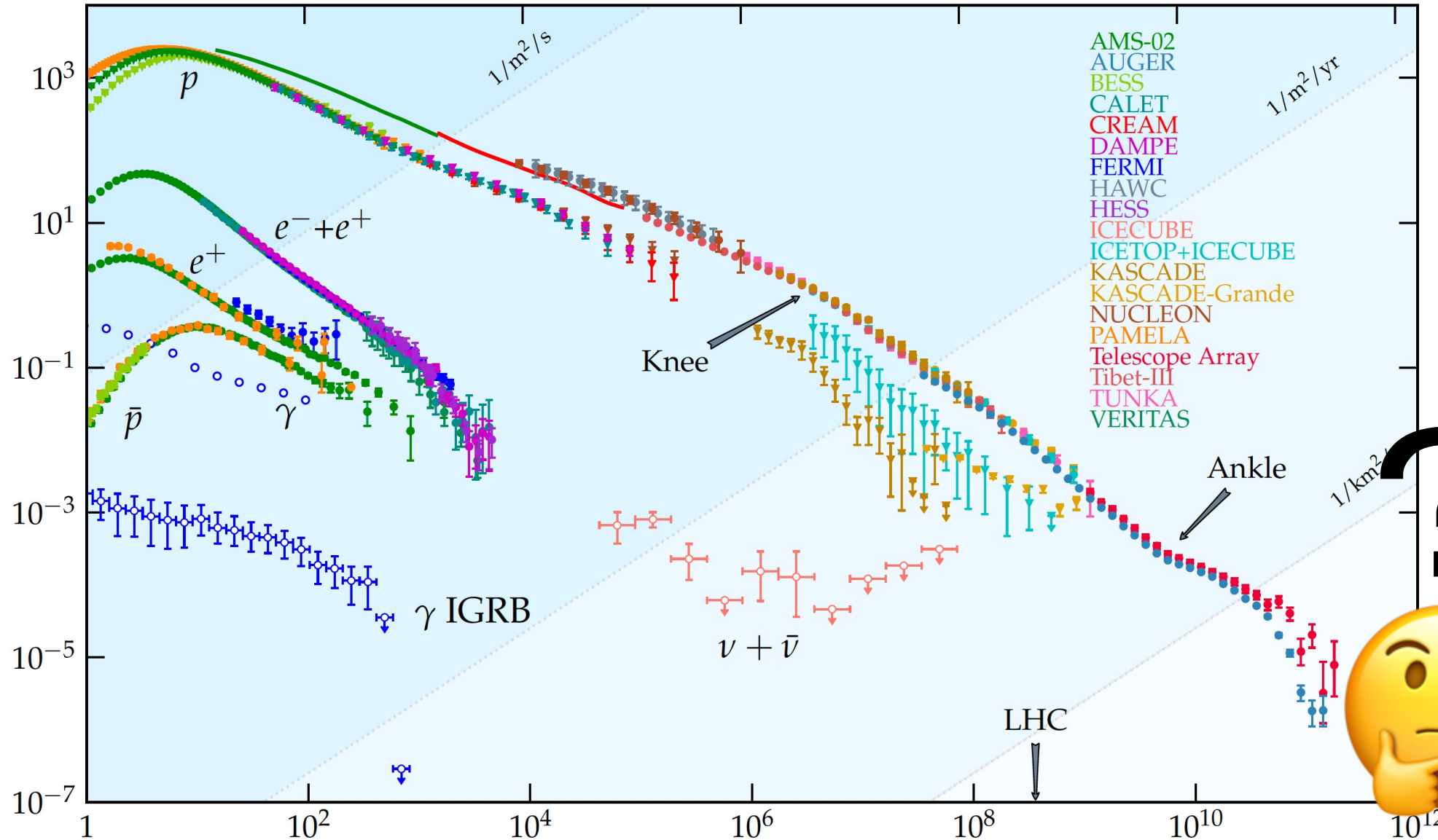
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GZK



GZK (Greisen-Zatsepin-Kuzmin) Limit

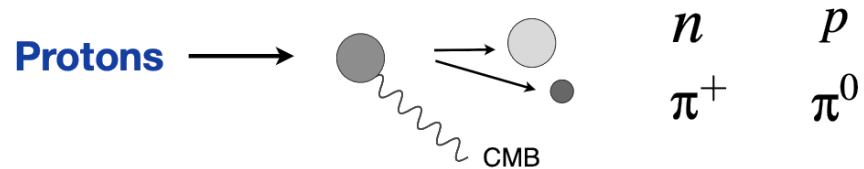


Photo-pion production
(mainly Δ resonance)

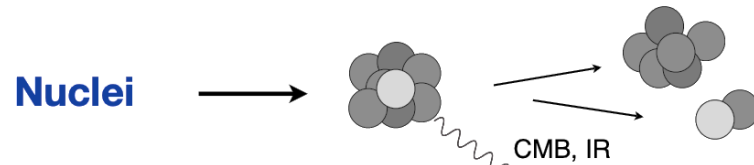
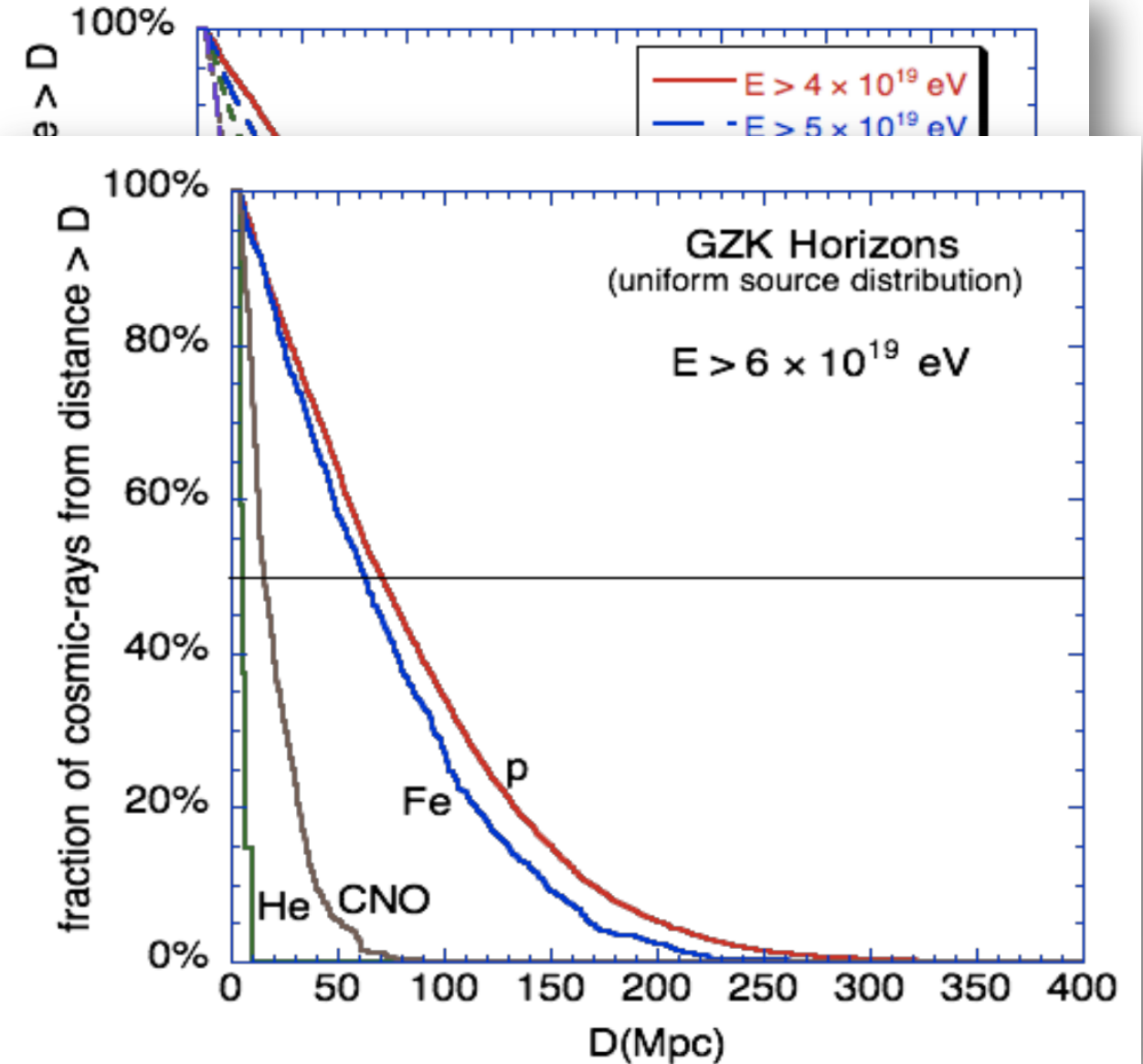
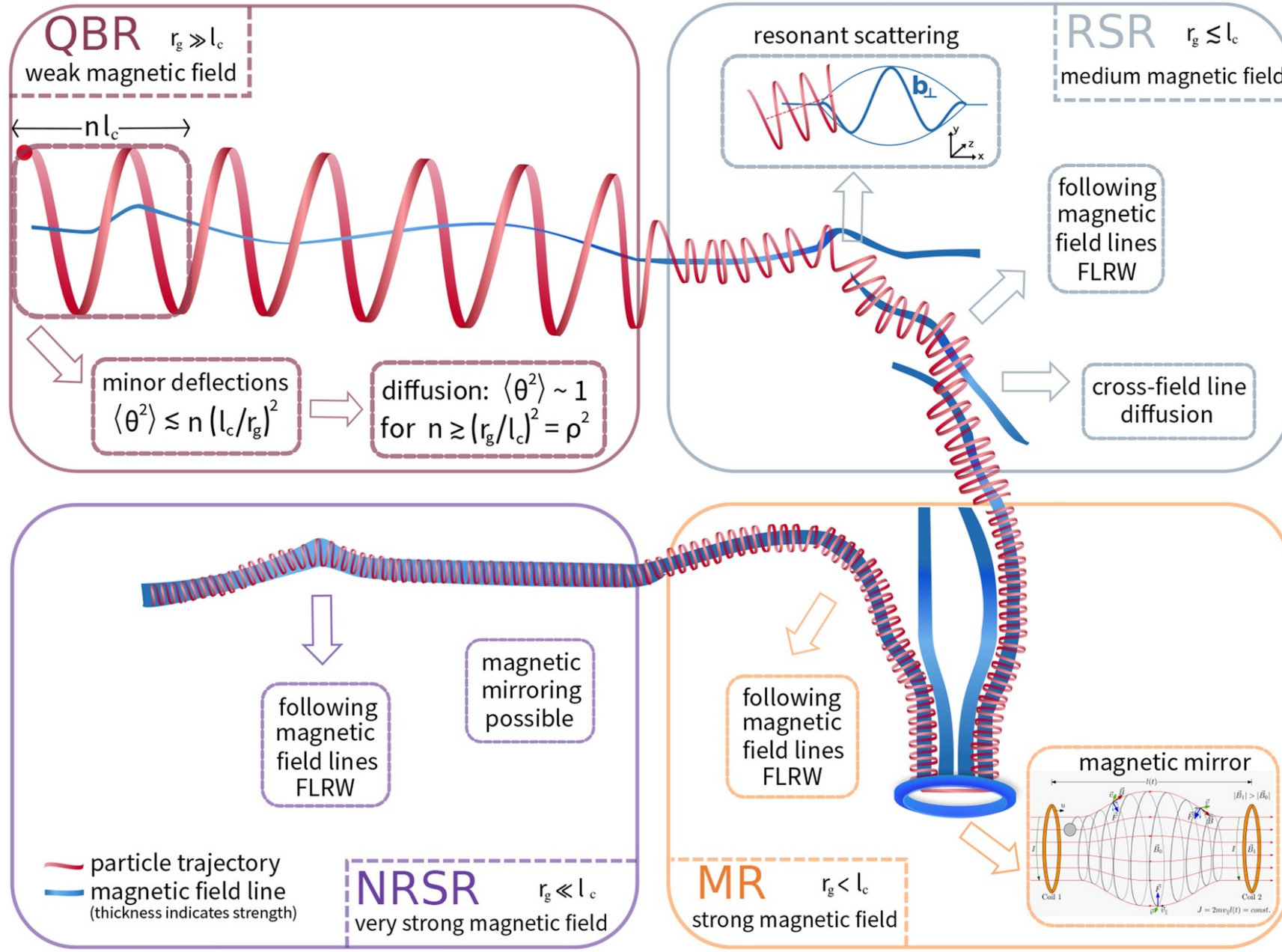


Photo-dissociation
(giant dipole resonance)



Charged Particle in Magnetic Field



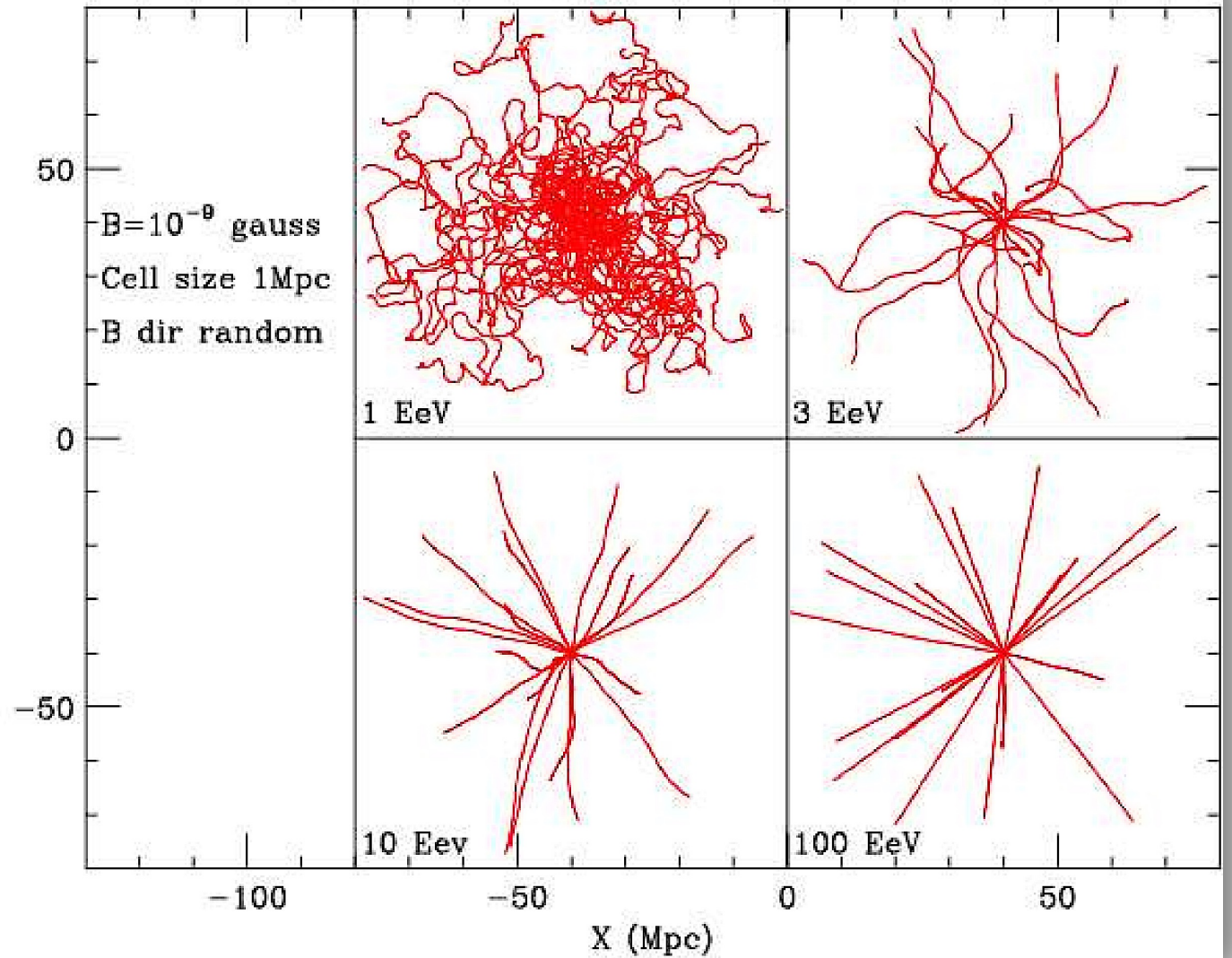
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Magnetic Fields

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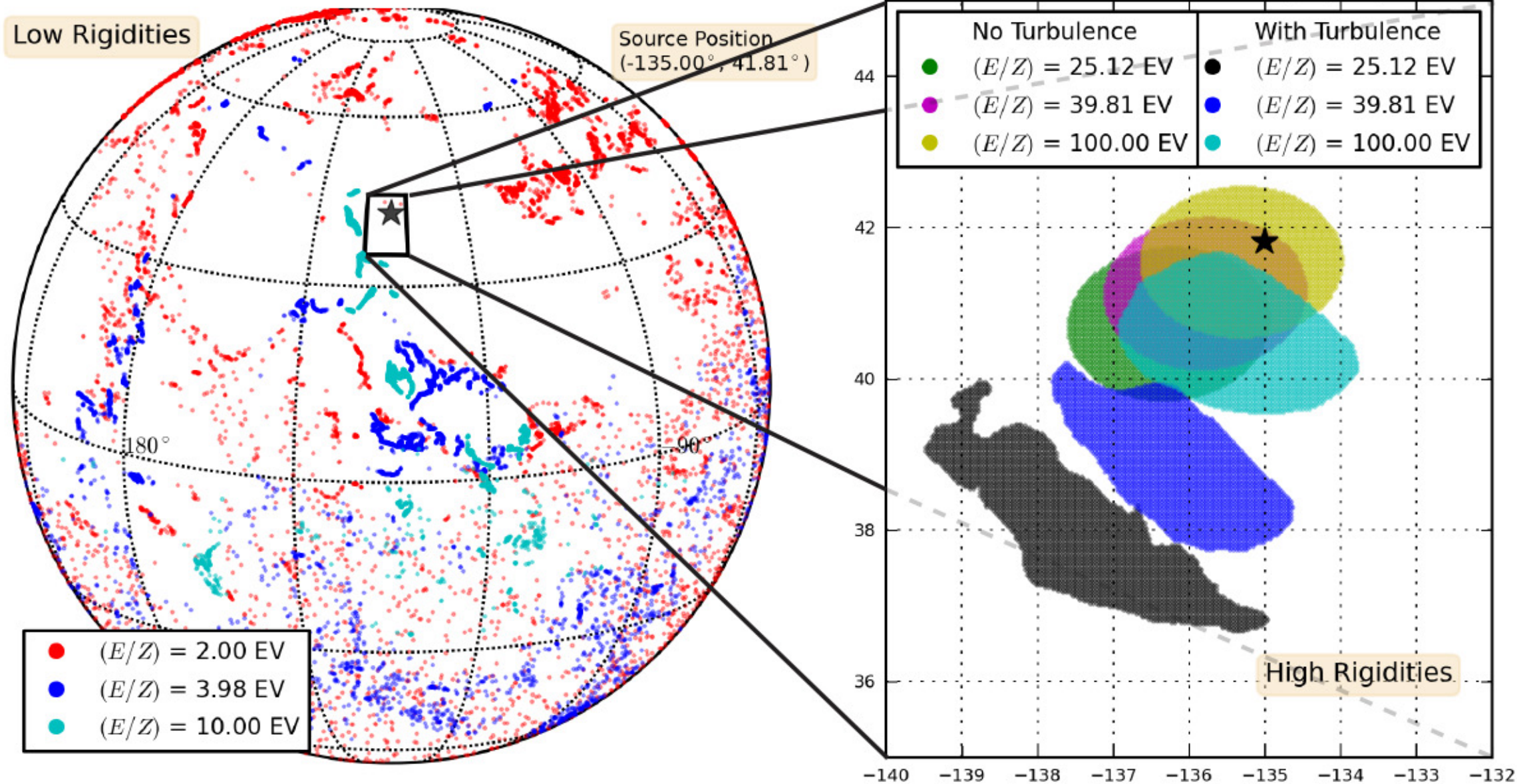
ESA & Planck Collaboration

3D trajectories projected on X-Y plane

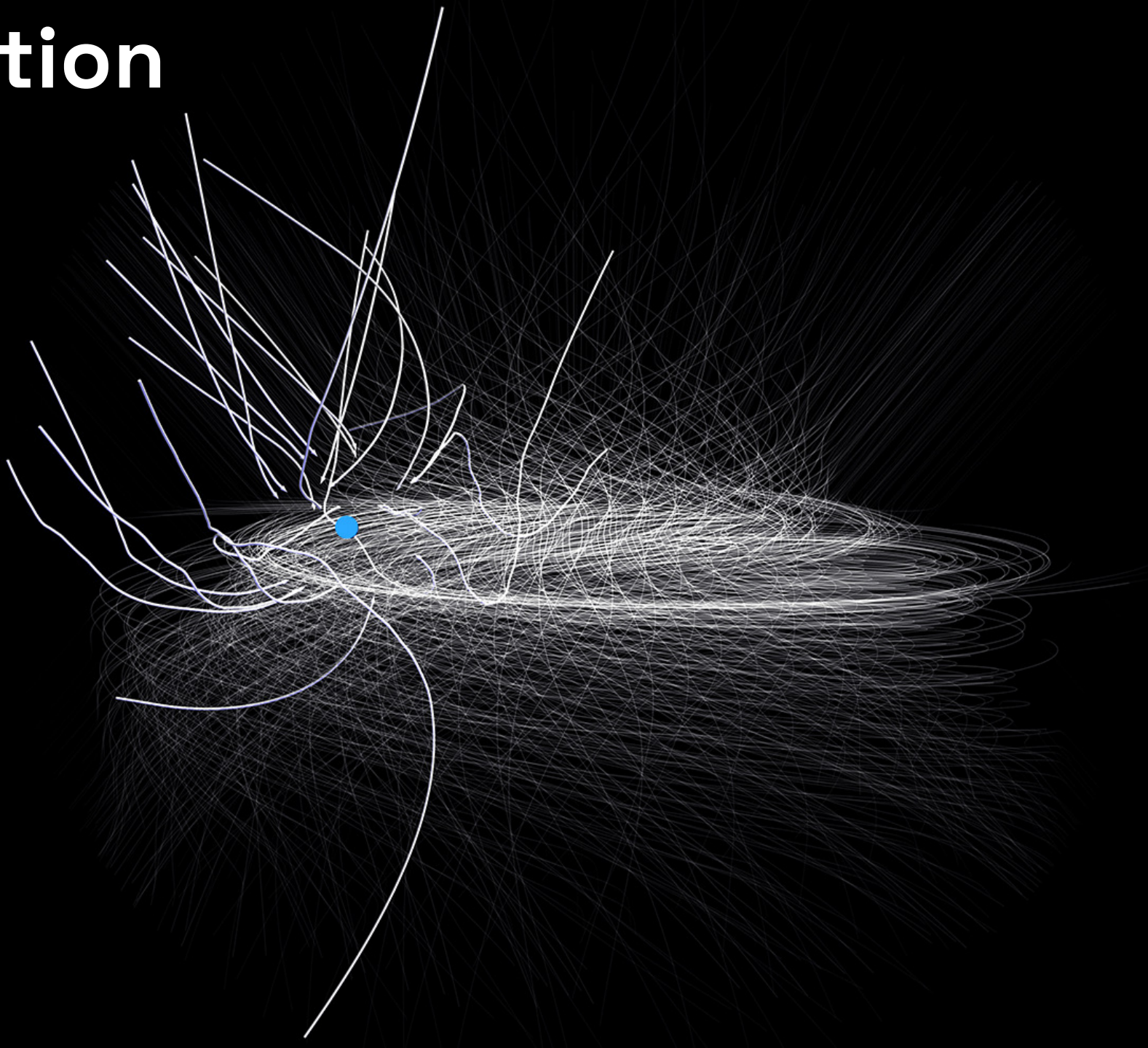


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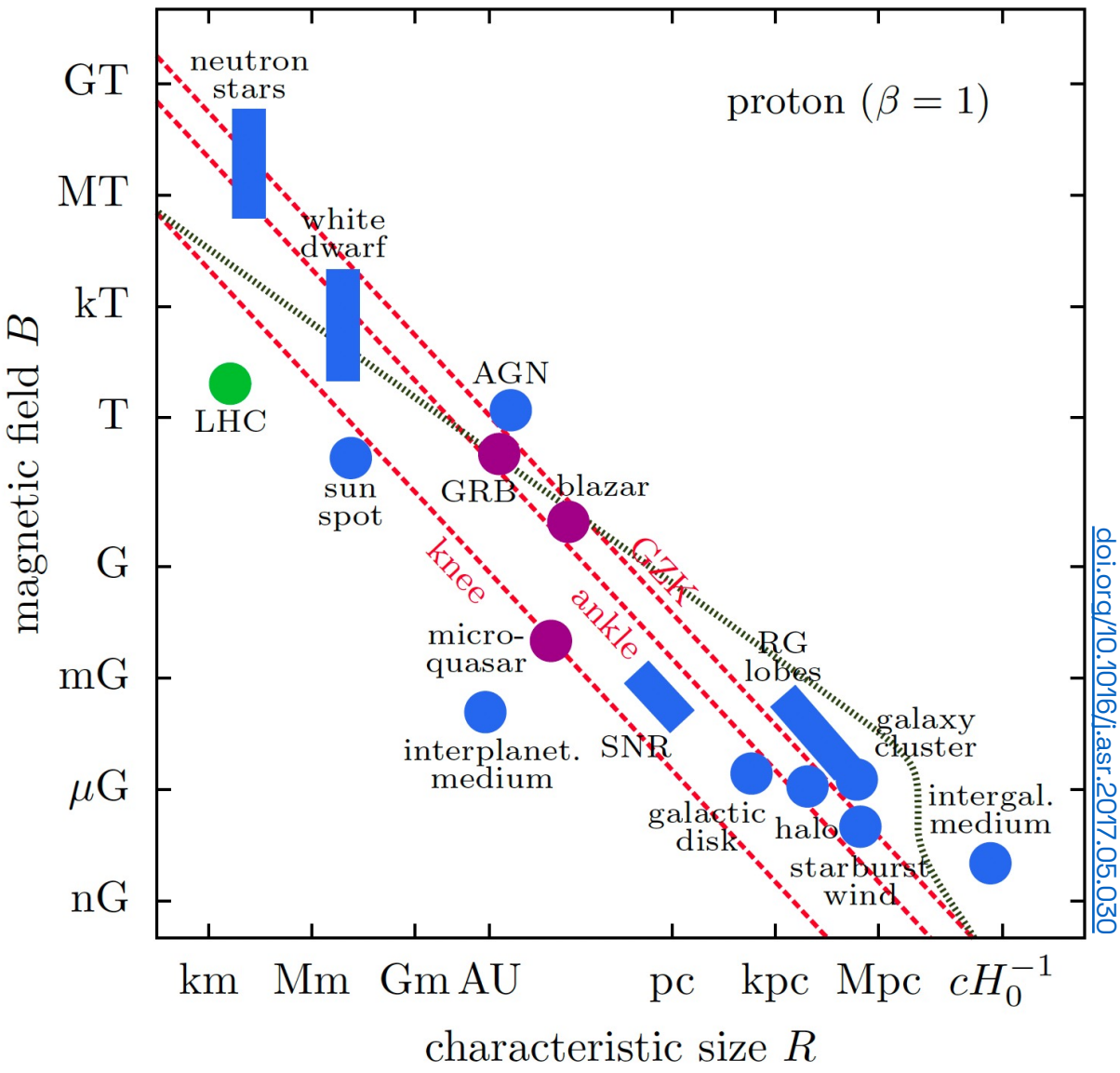
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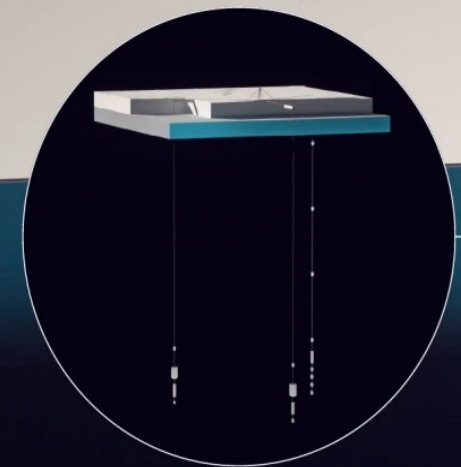


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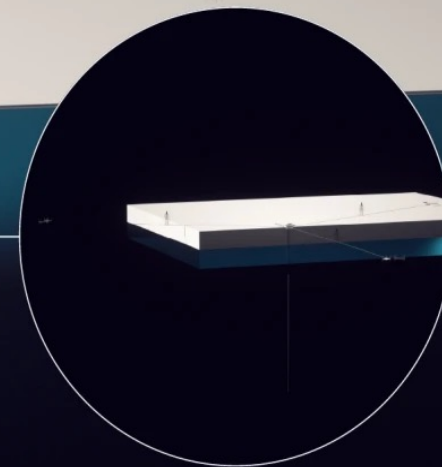




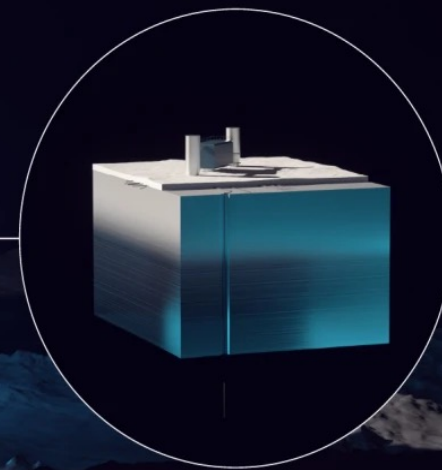
Radio Array | Station



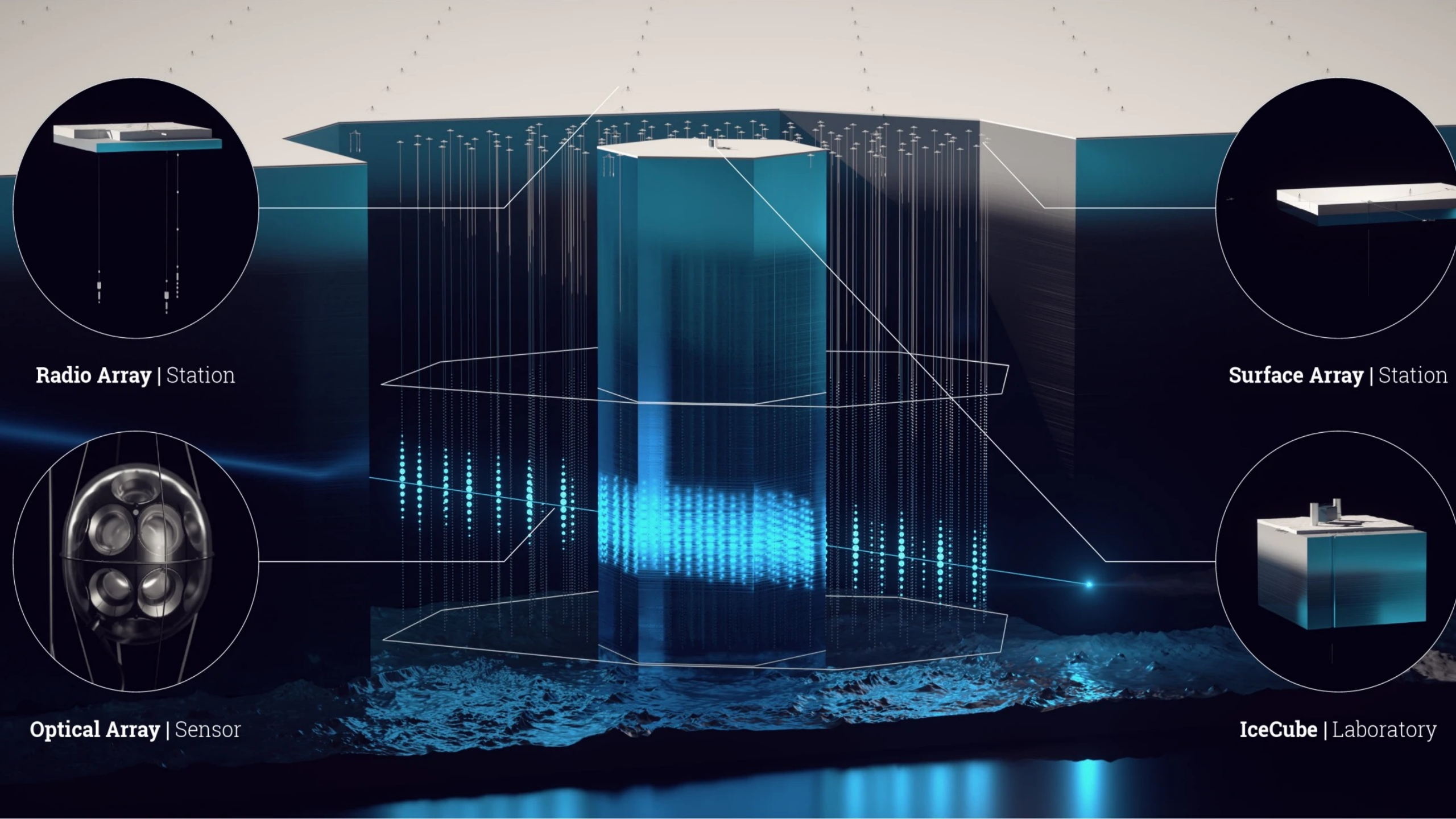
Optical Array | Sensor



Surface Array | Station

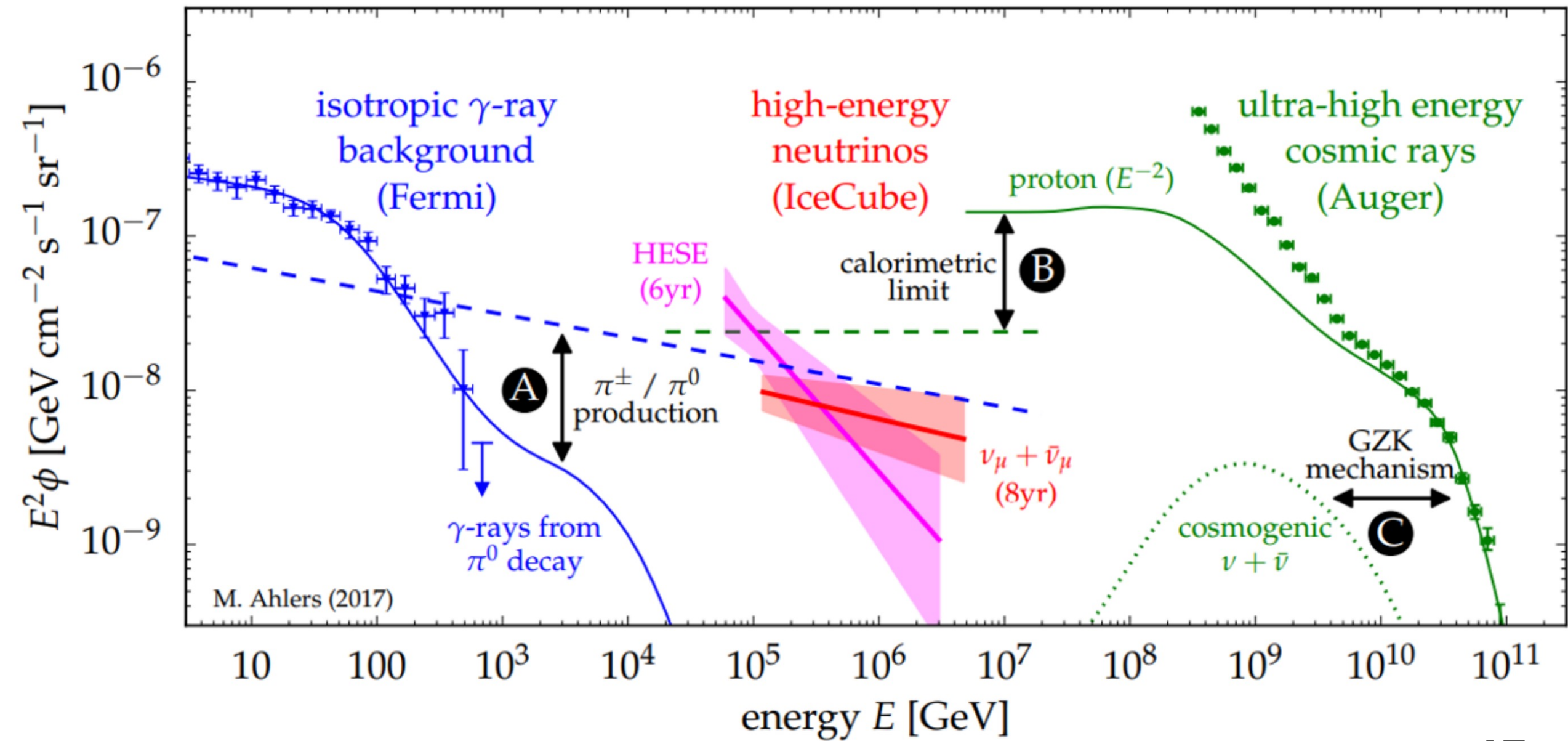


IceCube | Laboratory



The Final Frontier

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WG-Leads



Matthias Plum



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