

Observation of Ultra-High-Energy Cosmic Rays with the Telescope Array Experiment and TA Extension

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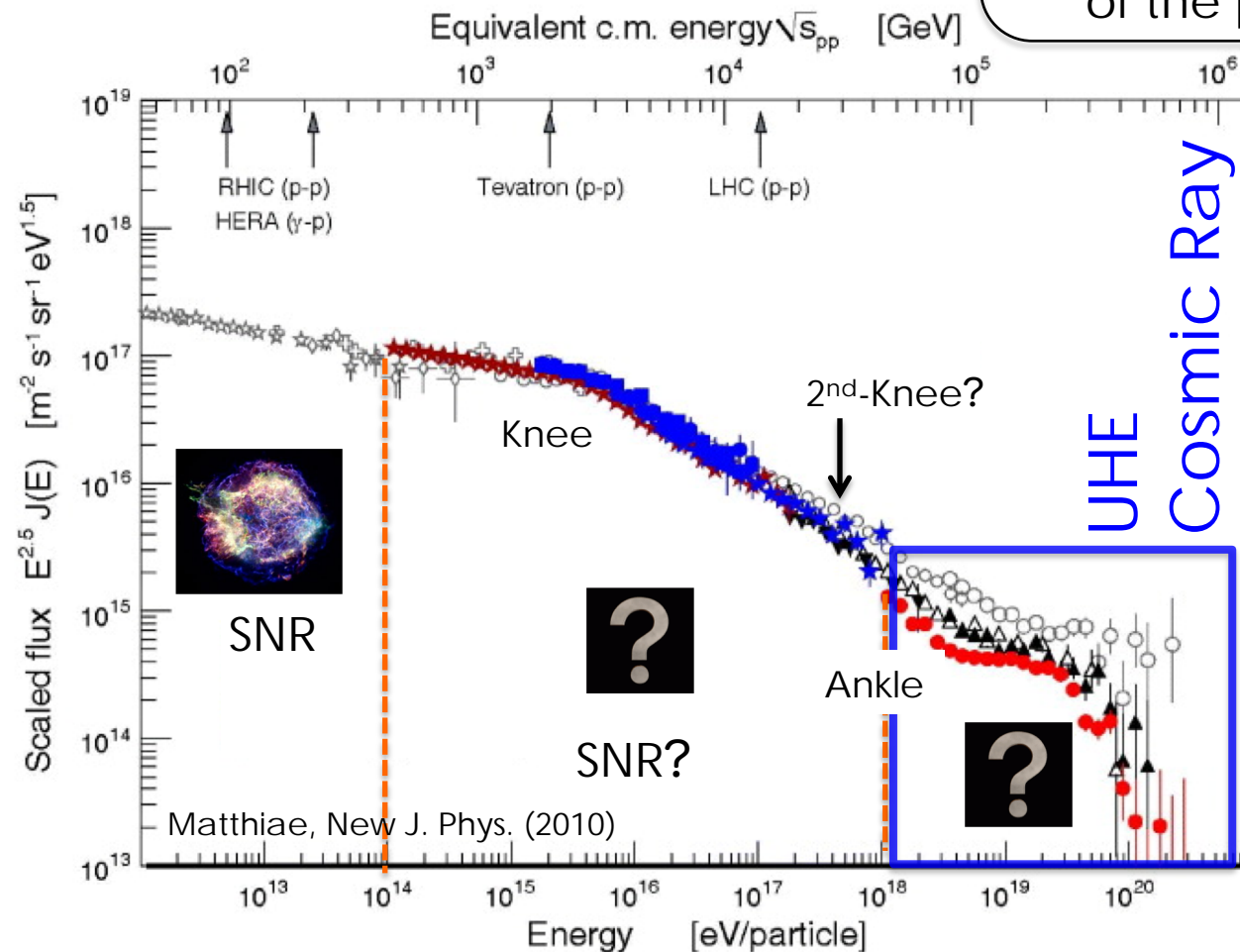
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Ultra-High-Energy Cosmic Ray

- ❖ Cosmic rays
Power-law spectrum
in wide energy range

- ❖ Origin of cosmic ray up to 10^{14} eV
- SNRs in our Galaxy
GeV-TeV observations gave
some indirect evidences
of the proton acceleration

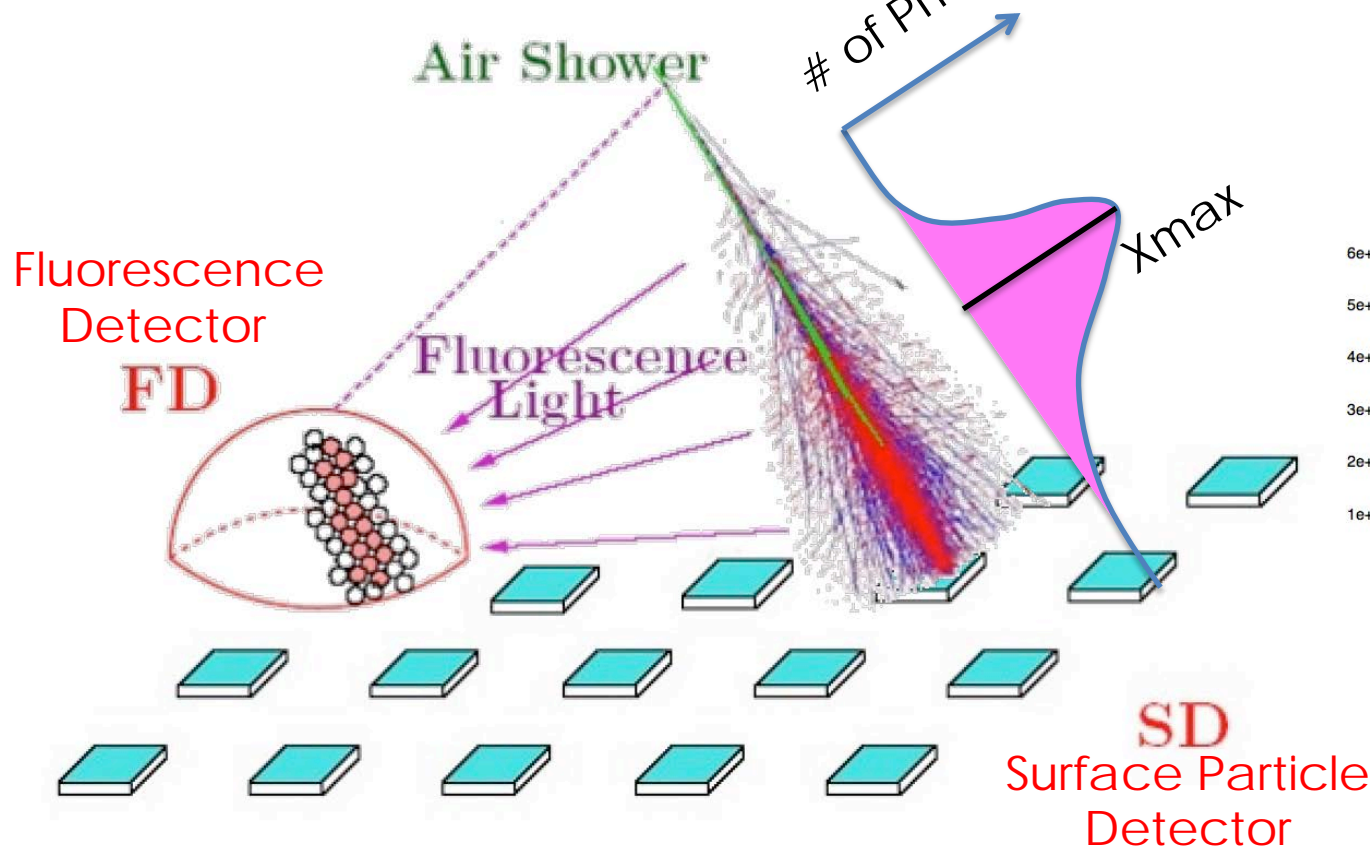


- ❖ 10^{14} eV – 10^{18} eV
(Knee – 2nd Knee)
- Index changes
- Composition changing
- Galactic objects?

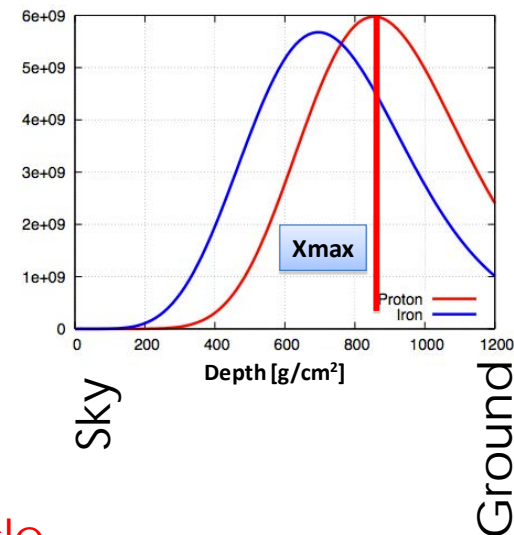
- ❖ UHE cosmic rays
above 10^{18} eV
- Flux suppression
- Extragalactic (AGNs?)
- ~1 event/100km²/ yr
@100EeV

Two Different Type Detectors

Detect **fluorescence lights** emitted from nitrogen excited by air-shower particles



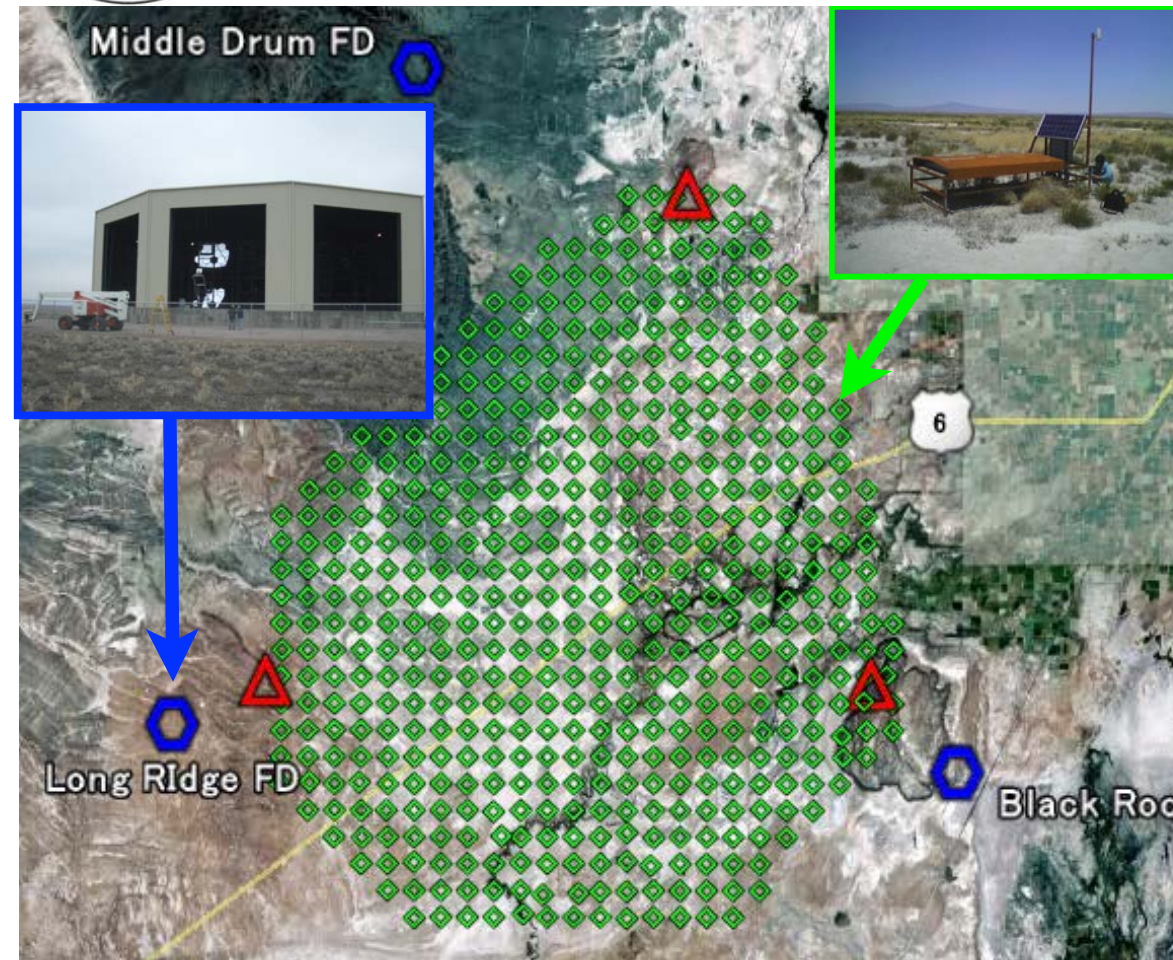
Mass composition
Iron / Proton



SD : Regardless of weather condition with high duty circle and wide FoV.
 → High statistical data → Anisotropy & spectral shape
 FD : limited to clear moonless night.
 Longitudinal development of air shower → Mass composition (**Xmax**)
 Measure the energy deposit calorimetrically → Absolute energy scale

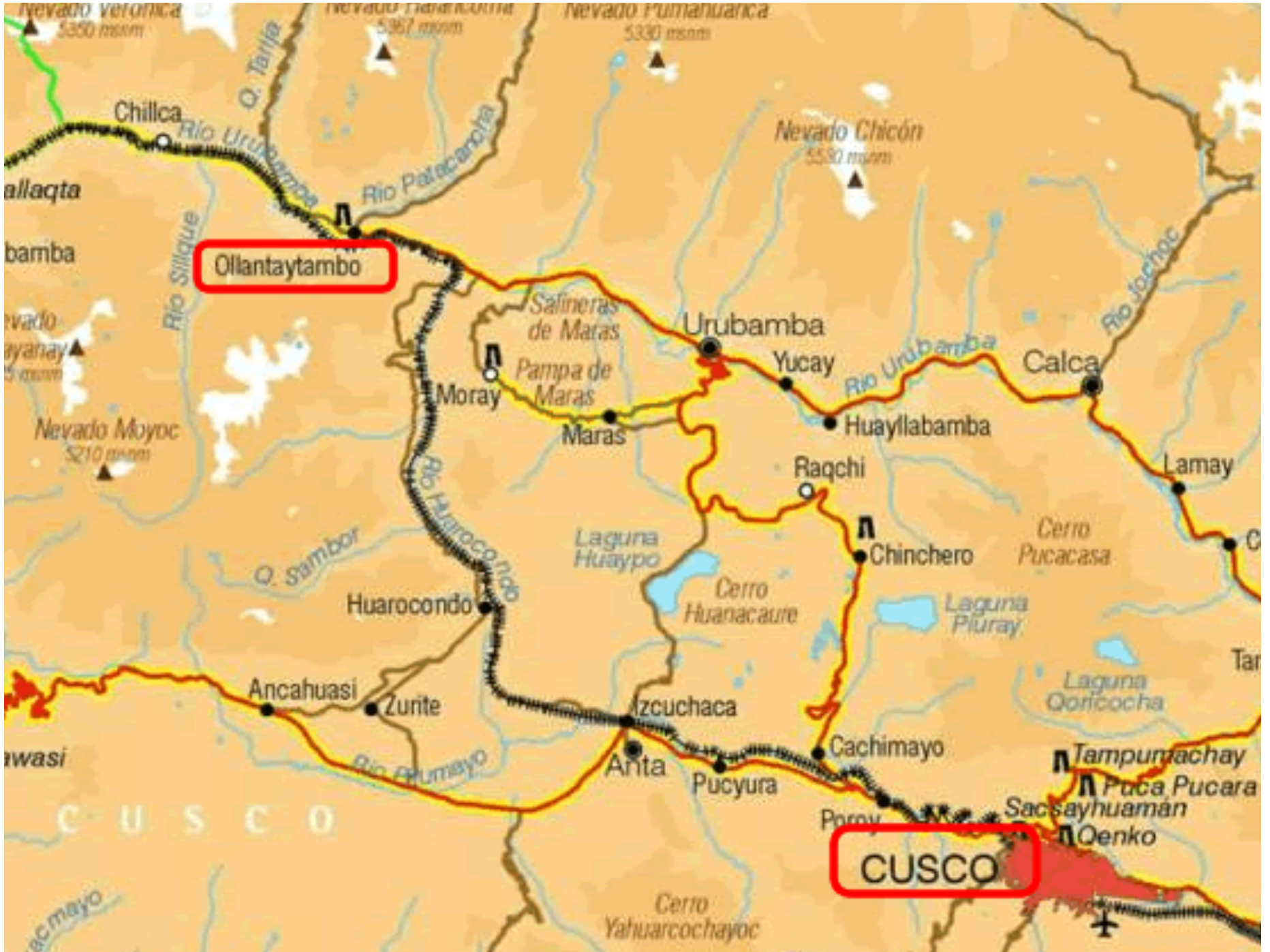


Telescope Array (TA)



- Utah, USA
 - 39.3°N , 112.9°W
 - 1400m asl.
- Surface Detector (SD)
 - 3m^2 Scintillation det.
 - 507 detectors
 - 1.2km spacing
 - Effective area 700km^2
- Fluorescence Det. (FD)
 - 3 stations
 - 12 telescopes/station

The TA is the largest aperture hybrid cosmic ray detectors in the northern hemisphere.

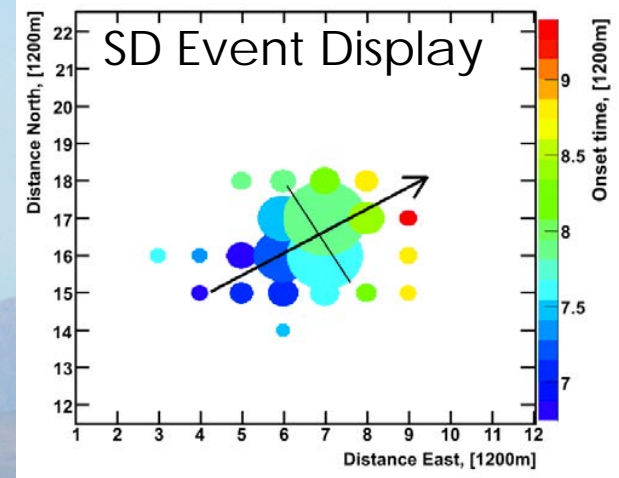


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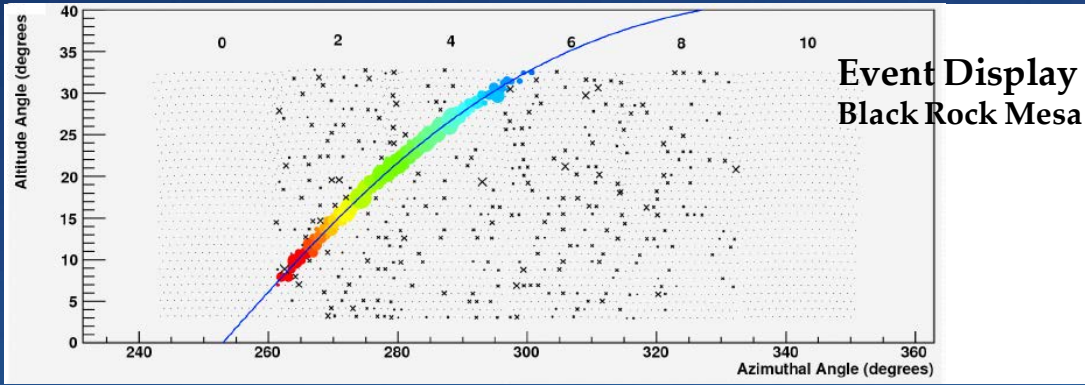
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Communication
Antenna

Solar panel
(1m×1m)



700km² with 1.2km spacing
- 2 layer Scintillators
+ WLS fibers + 2PMTs
- DAQ 50MHz FADC
- Solar power system
- Communication antenna
→ Stand-alone detector

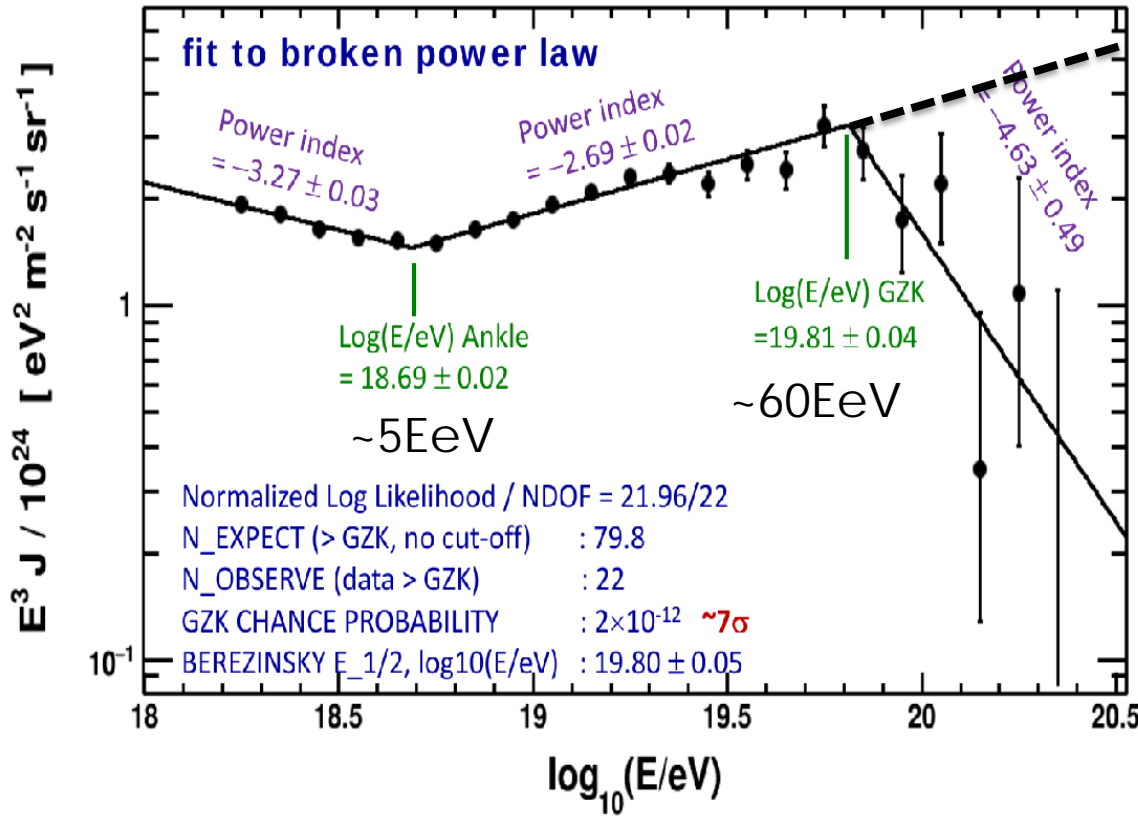


Energy Spectrum

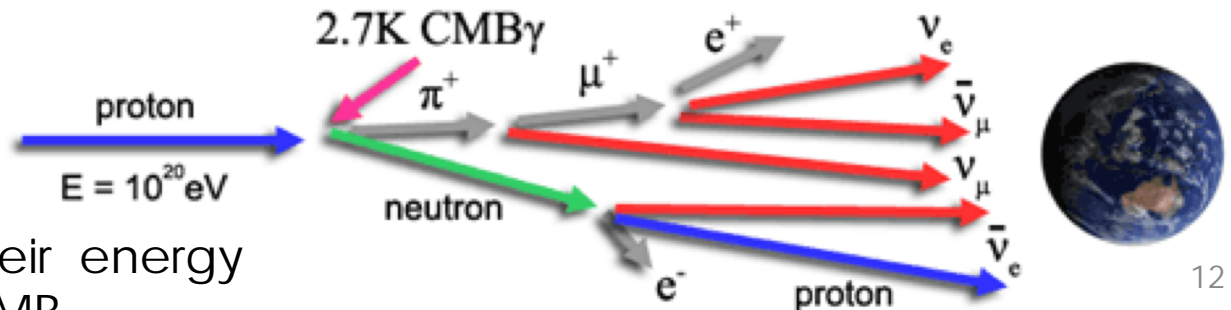


SD Energy Spectrum (9 years)

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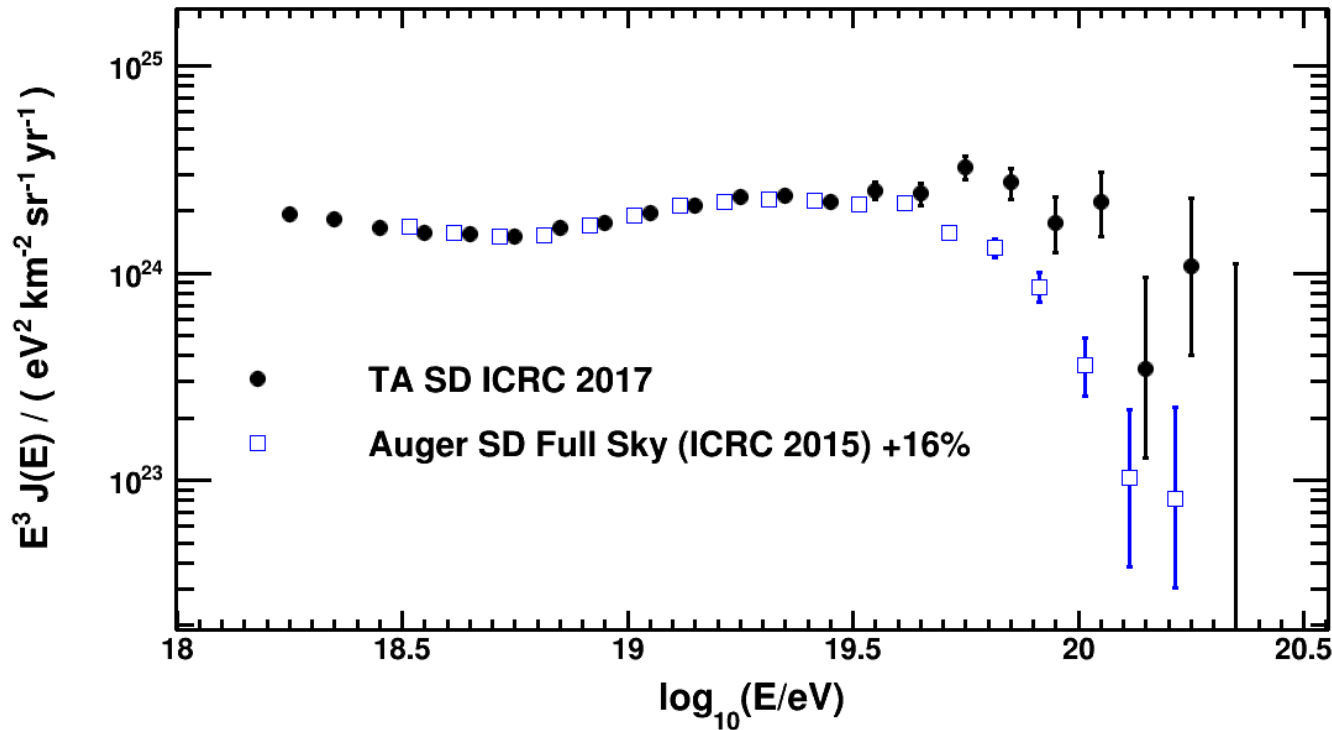
- ✓ Ankle break ~5EeV
- ✓ Suppression ~60EeV consistent with the GZK
- ✓ Suppression (>10^{19.8}eV):
N (continue) = 79.8
N (observed) = 22
- ✓ Continuous spectrum is excluded at 7σ



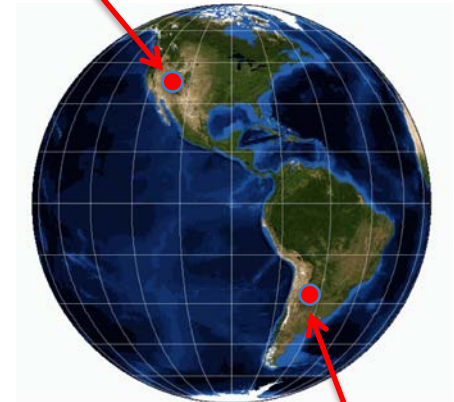
Protons rapidly lose their energy by interaction with CMB.



Comparison with Auger



TA (Utah/US)

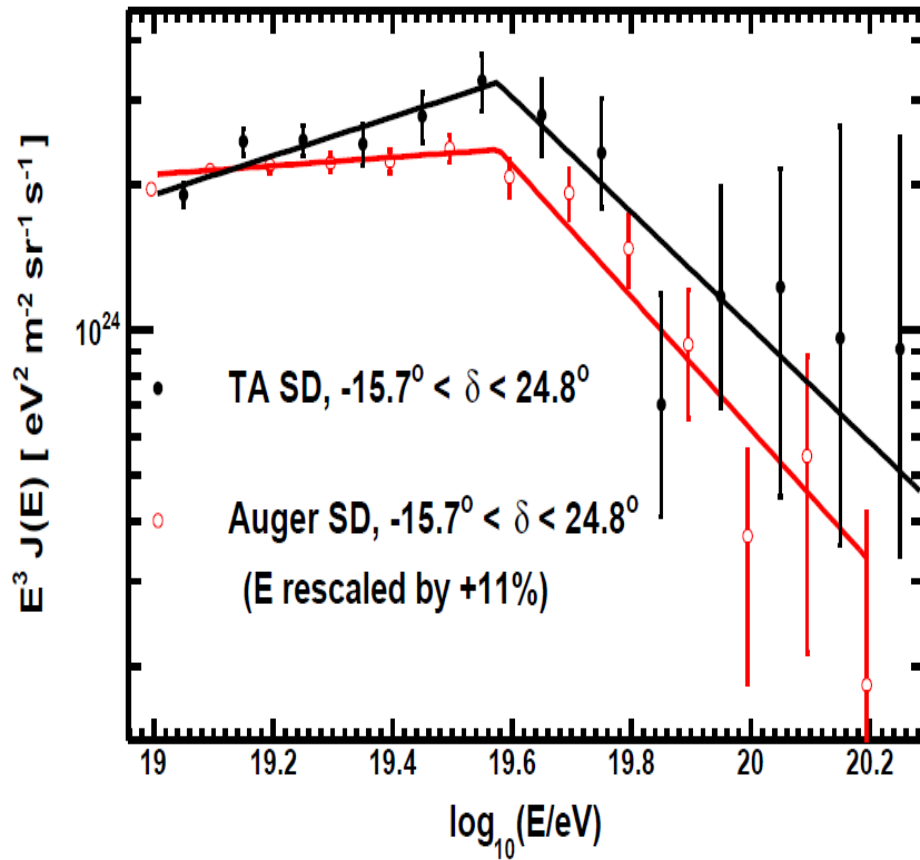


Auger
(Mendoza,
Argentina)

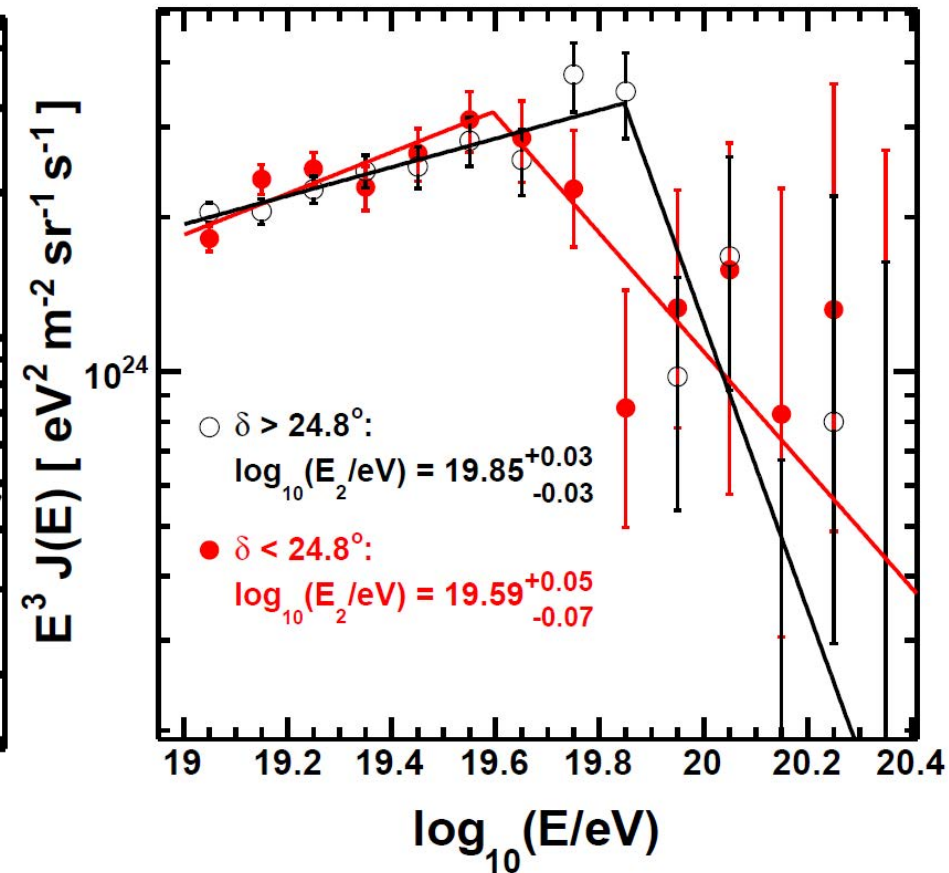
After matching energy scale at the ankle break,
the location of the suppression energy is clear different.
→ Systematics or physics?



Declination Dependence

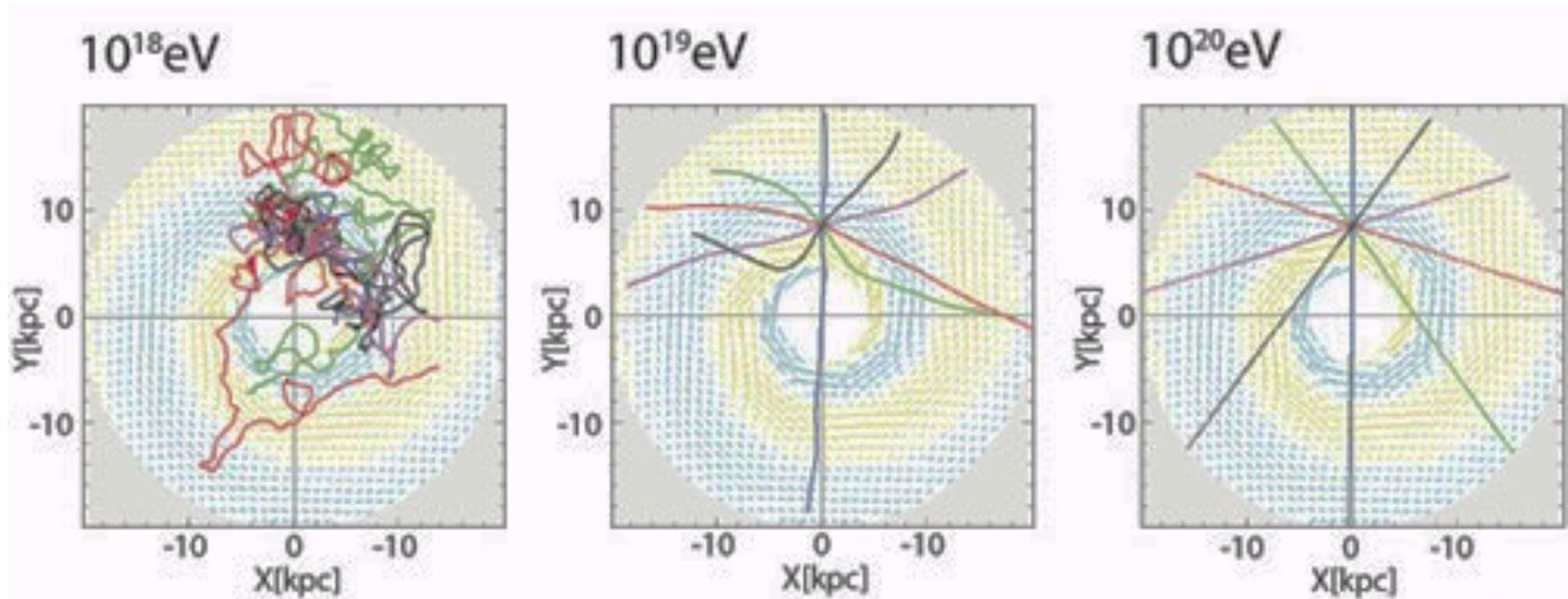


Energy spectra of TA and Auger in the common declination band. The locations of the high energy breaks agree to within 1σ



Energy spectra of TA above and below $\delta=24.8^\circ$. The locations of the breaks disagree at $\sim 3.2\sigma$ level

Anisotropy

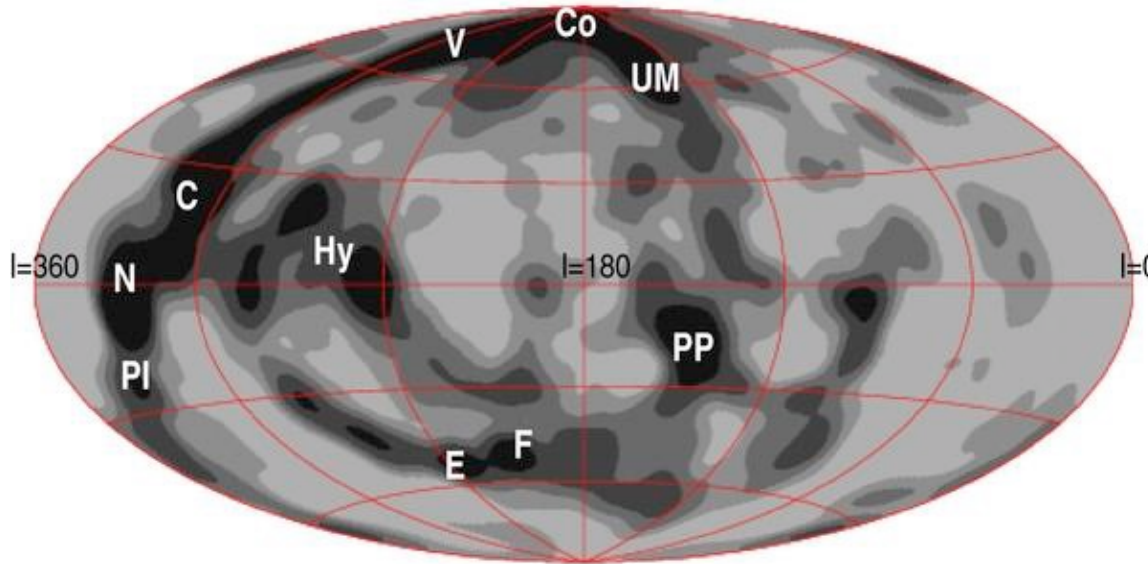


Possible particle astronomy?



Correlation with LSS

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C: Centaurus SCI (60 Mpc);
Co: Coma CI (90 Mpc);
E: Eridanus CI (30 Mpc);
F: Fornax CI (20 Mpc);
Hy: Hydra SCI (50 Mpc);
N: Norma SCI (65 Mpc);
PI: Pavo-Indus SCI (70 Mpc);
PP: Perseus-Pisces SCI (70 Mpc);
UM: Ursa Major CI (20 Mpc);
and V: Virgo CI (20 Mpc).

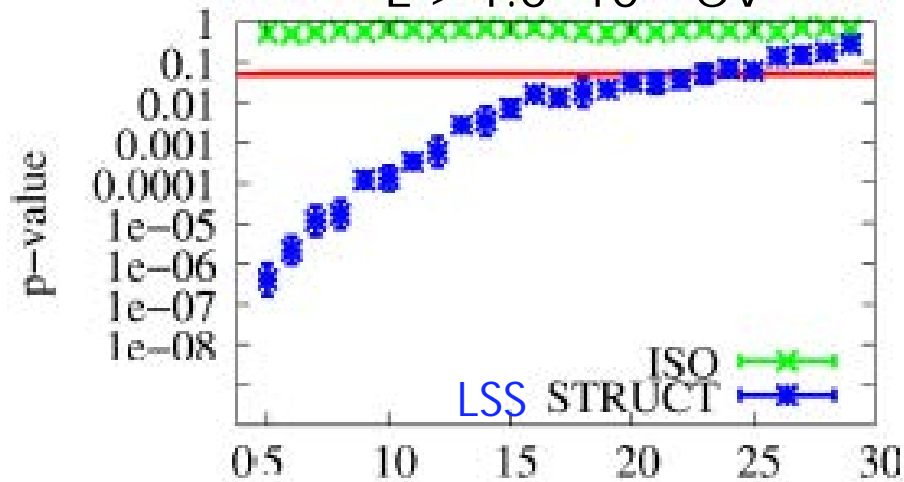
- ❖ Large-Scale Structure model 2MASS Galaxy catalog (XSCz)
- ❖ Grey Pattern: Model with 6° radius circle smearing angle
→ Matter density \propto Cosmic-ray density

We investigate correlation between arrival directions of the UHECRs and the LLS model (and isotropic model).

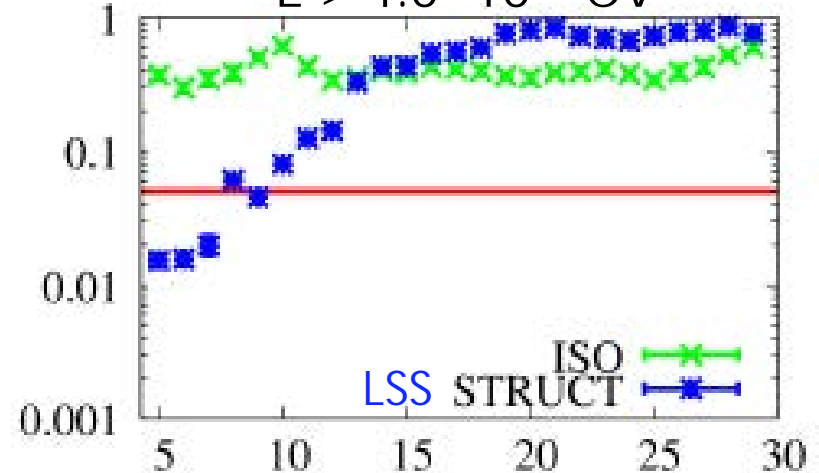


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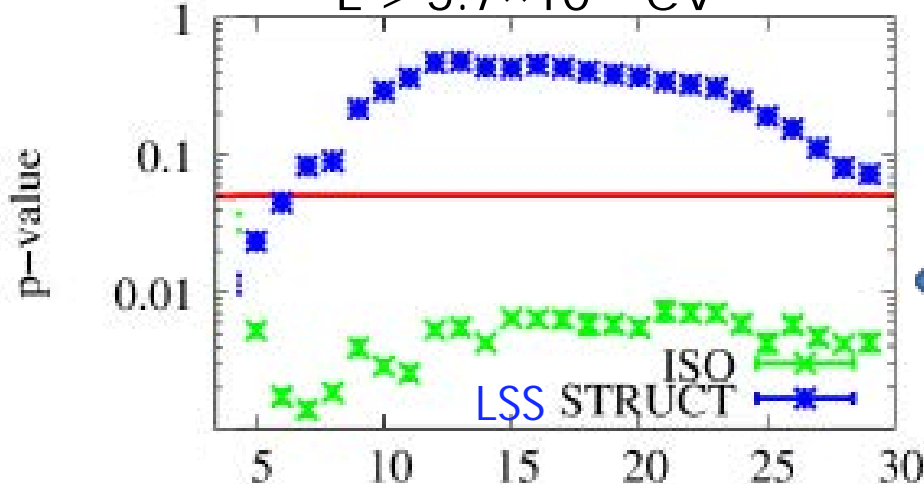
$E > 1.0 \times 10^{19}$ eV



$E > 4.0 \times 10^{19}$ eV



$E > 5.7 \times 10^{19}$ eV

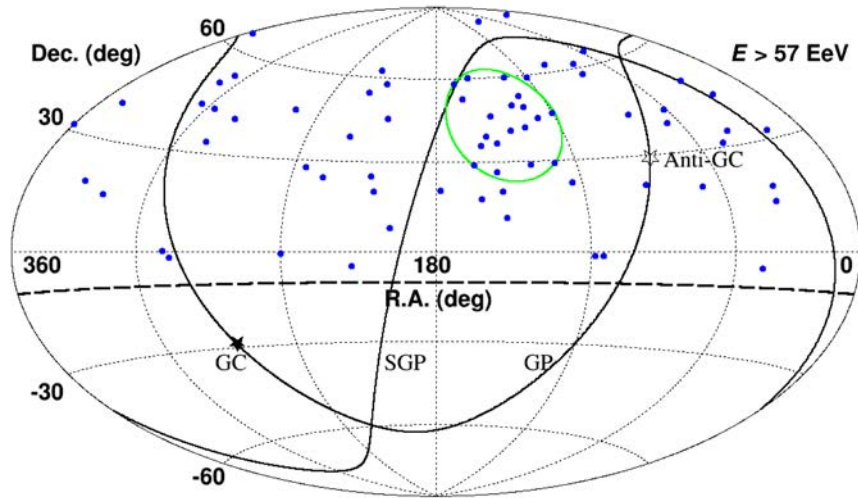


x-axis : smearing angle
Y-axis : compatibility between
the expected and the data

$E > 5.7 \times 10^{19}$ eV
Consistent with LSS
Inconsistent with isotropy

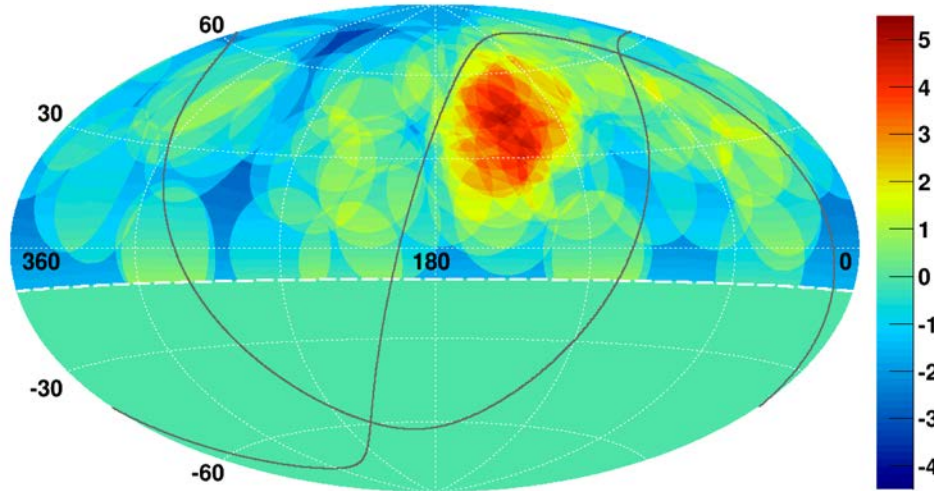


Hotspot ($>57\text{EeV}$, 5 years)



R.U. Abbasi+2014, ApJL

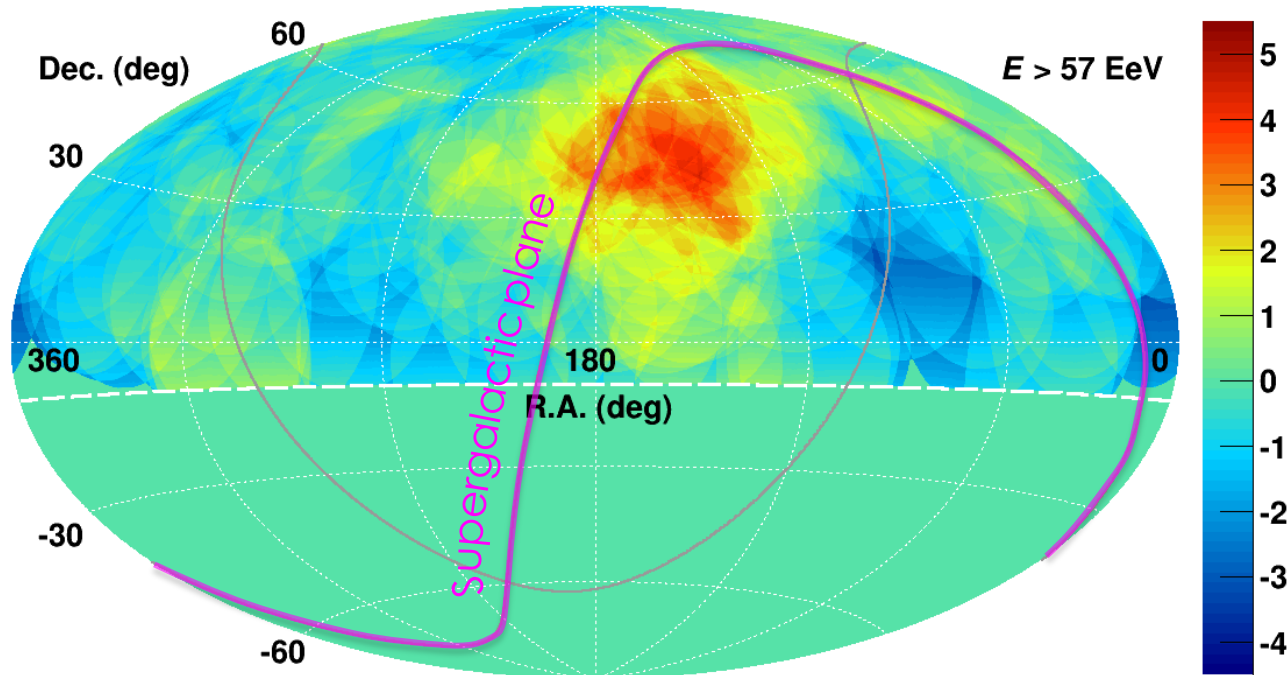
- ✓ 5-year observation by the TA SD
- ✓ Observed 72 events with $E > 57\text{ EeV}$
- ✓ Indication of UHECR hotspot
- ✓ Local significance 5.1σ
- ✓ Assuming 5 search window radii ($15^\circ, 20^\circ, 25^\circ, 30^\circ, 35^\circ$),
Global significance 3.4σ



Almost double statistics



Hotspot ($>57\text{EeV}$, 9 years)



- ❖ Total events: 143 events
- ❖ Best circle center : RA. = 144.3° , Dec. = 40.3°
- ❖ Best circle radius : 25°
- ❖ Observed in the Hotspot circle : 34
- ❖ Expected in the hotspot circle : 13.5
- ❖ Local (pre-trial) Significance : 5.0σ
- ❖ Global (post-trial) Significance 3σ

Mass Composition

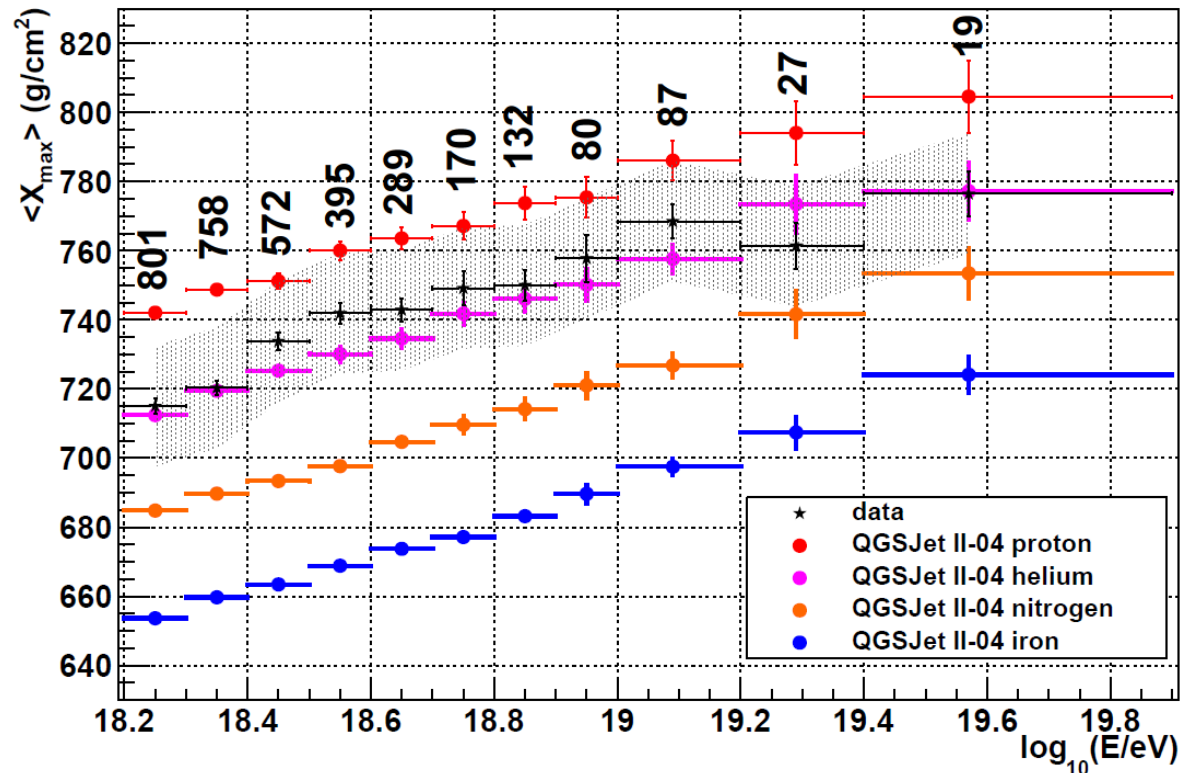
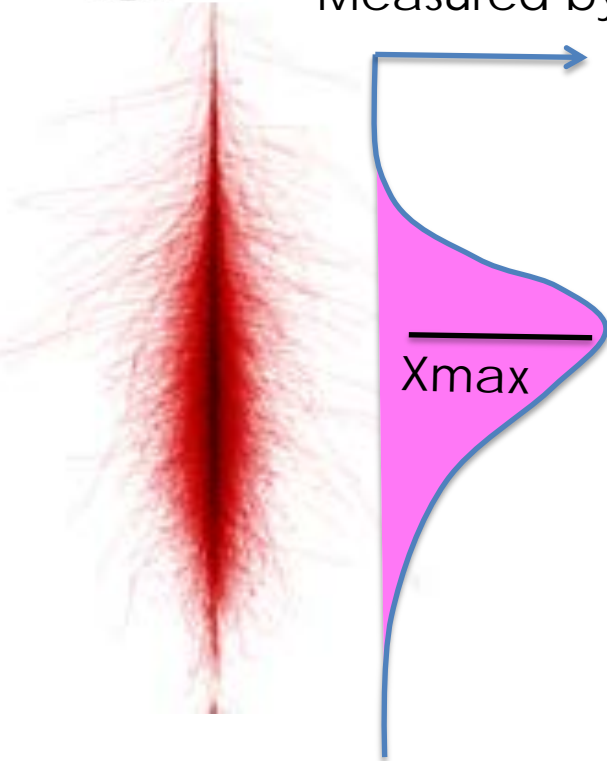


Averaged X_{\max}

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Measured by FD



- ✓ Air showers induced by the lighter composition penetrate into the deeper atmosphere.
- ✓ Consistent with **proton or light components** (QGSJET-II-04)
- ✓ We need more statistics for $E > 10^{19.6}$ eV



TAx4 Experiment

❖ Now there is hint of anisotropy at 3σ level for northern sky.

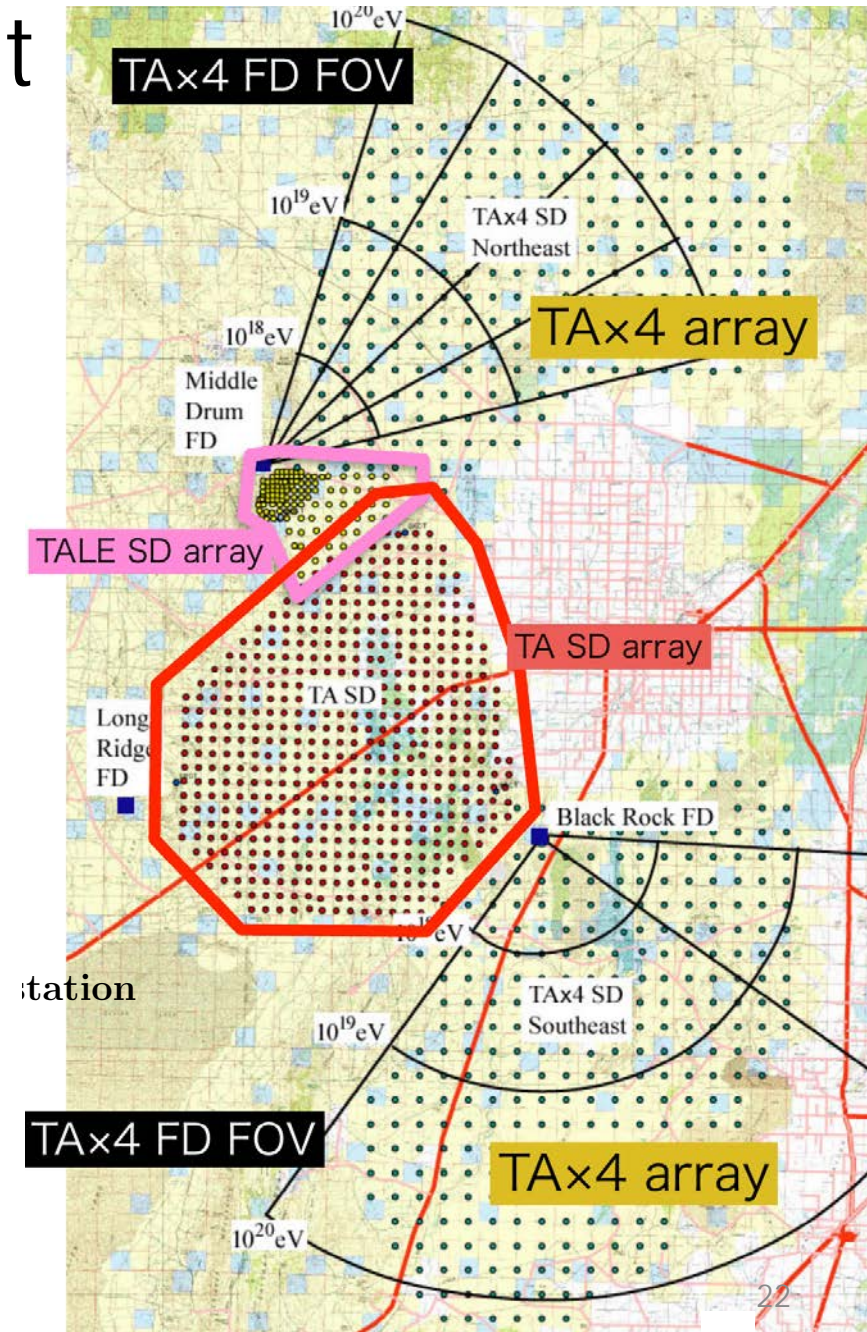
❖ extend SD array by 4 times (3,000km²)

1. Add 500 scint. counters with 2.1 km spacing
2. Add two FD stations

→ Approved and under construction

❖ Science

1. Anisotropy study → Expect $>5\sigma$
2. Xmax at highest energy region
3. UHE photon & neutrino search





Summary

- Recent results for 9 years
 - E Spectrum : significant suppression consistent with GZK cutoff ($7\sigma > 10^{19.8}\text{eV}$)
 - Anisotropy : Indication of Hotspot $> 57\text{EeV}$ (3σ)
 - Composition : proton or light components ($10^{18.2}\text{eV} < E < 10^{19.6}\text{eV}$)
- TA Extension : TAx4 (TA aperture x4)
 - Under construction

BACK POCKETS

MD TA_x4



Commissioning now

BR TAx4 Shelter Installation



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Width of X_{\max} distribution ($\sigma_{X_{\max}}$)

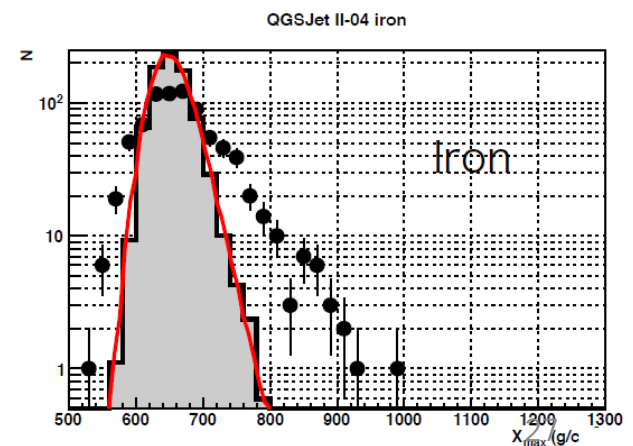
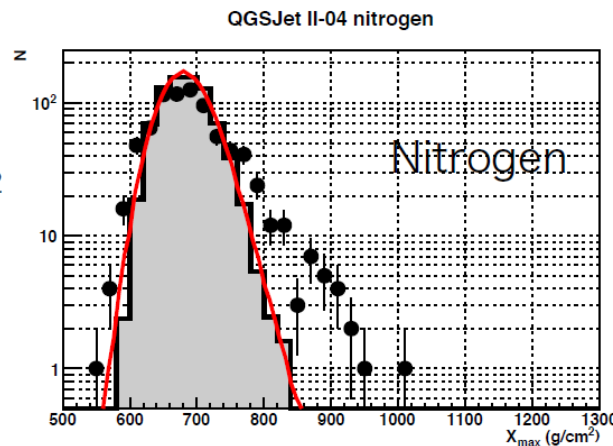
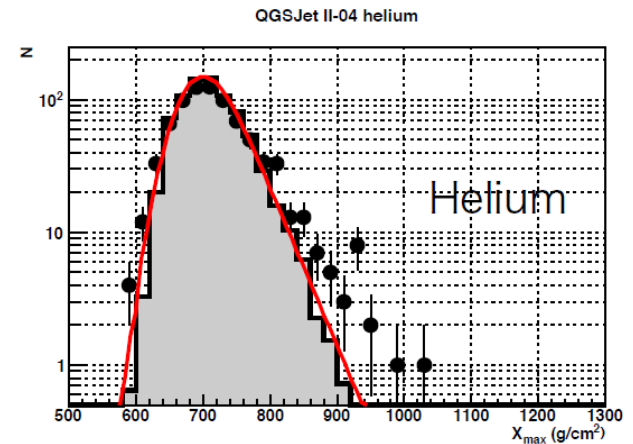
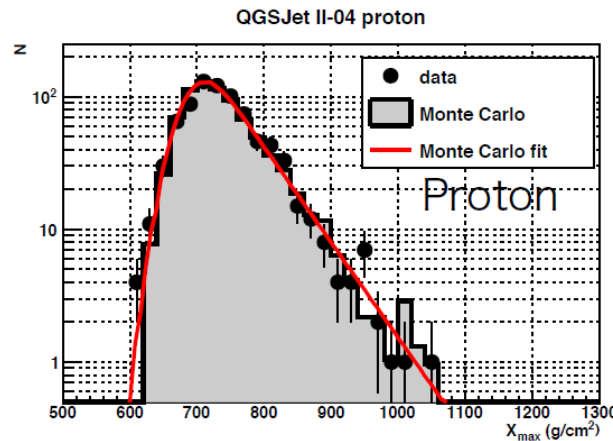
Compare shape of X_{\max} distributions of Data and MC allowing X_{\max} shift

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$18.2 < \log(E/\text{eV}) < 18.3$

X_{\max} shift
 proton : +29g/cm²
 He : +7g/cm²
 N : -21g/cm²
 Fe : -43g/cm²

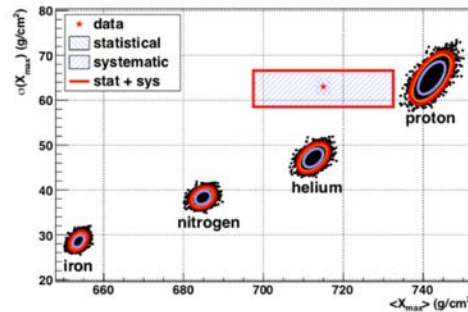
Systematic uncertainty
 $\langle X_{\max} \rangle : 17.4\text{g/cm}^2$



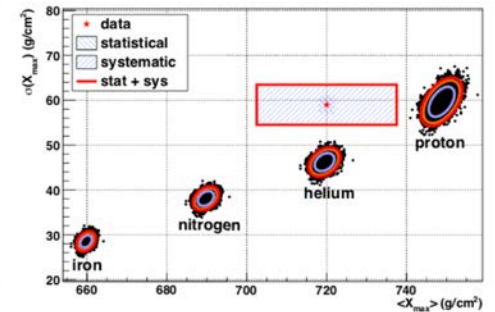


$\langle X_{\max} \rangle$ vs. σ_{\max} Plane ($<10^{18.8} \text{eV}$)

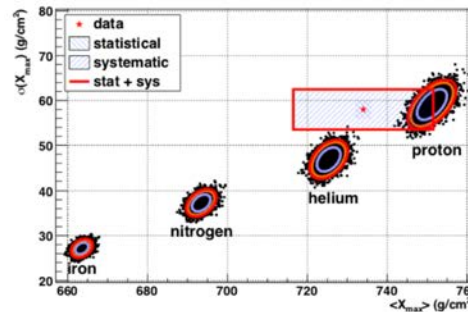
- ❖ Data/MC Comparison
- ❖ Data : Red rectangle (including systematics)
- ❖ MC : Contours (5000 MC sets)
- ❖ In lower energies $<10^{18.8} \text{eV}$, allowing shift 10-20g/cm² data looks like protons



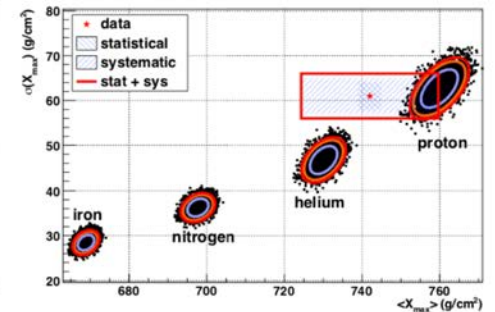
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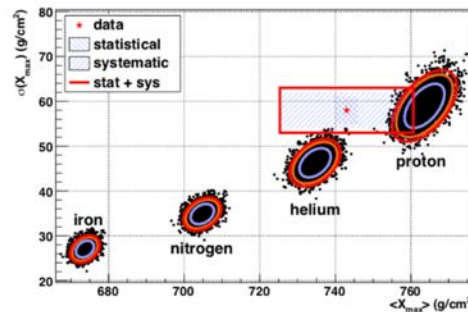
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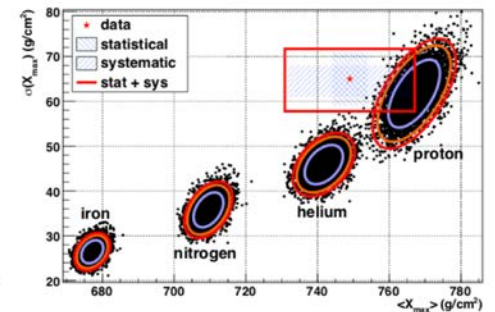
(c) $18.4 \leq \log_{10}(E/\text{eV}) < 18.5$



(d) $18.5 \leq \log_{10}(E/\text{eV}) < 18.6$



(e) $18.6 \leq \log_{10}(E/\text{eV}) < 18.7$

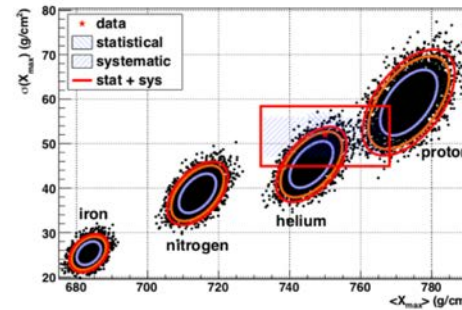


(f) $18.7 \leq \log_{10}(E/\text{eV}) < 18.8$

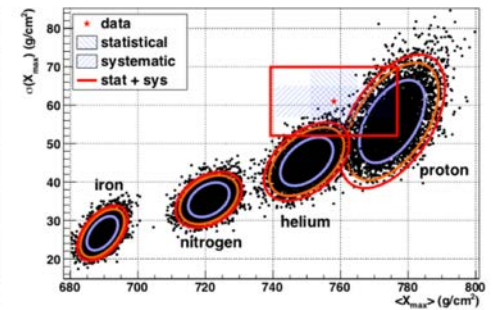


$\langle X_{\max} \rangle$ vs. σ_{\max} Plane ($> 10^{18.8} \text{eV}$)

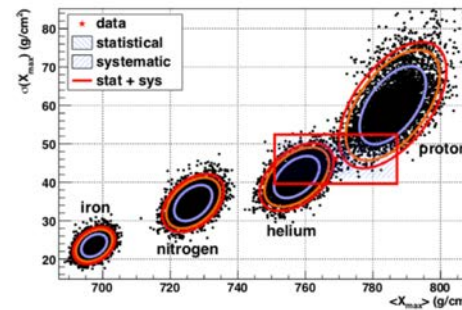
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- ❖ In higher energies $> 10^{18.8} \text{eV}$, data points looks like heavier primary than protons



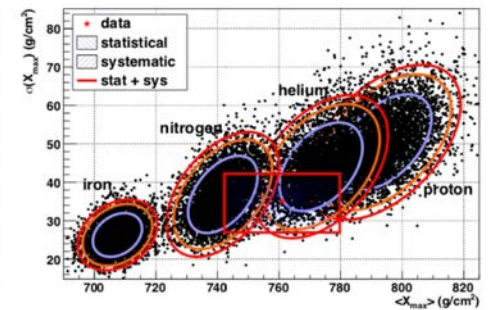
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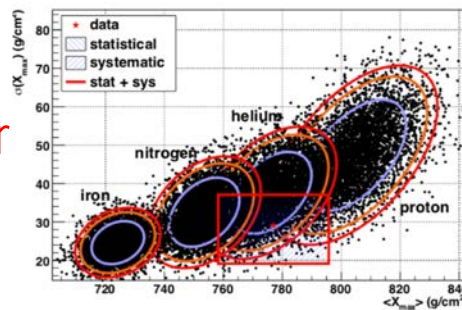
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(c) $19.0 \leq \log_{10}(E/\text{eV}) < 19.2$



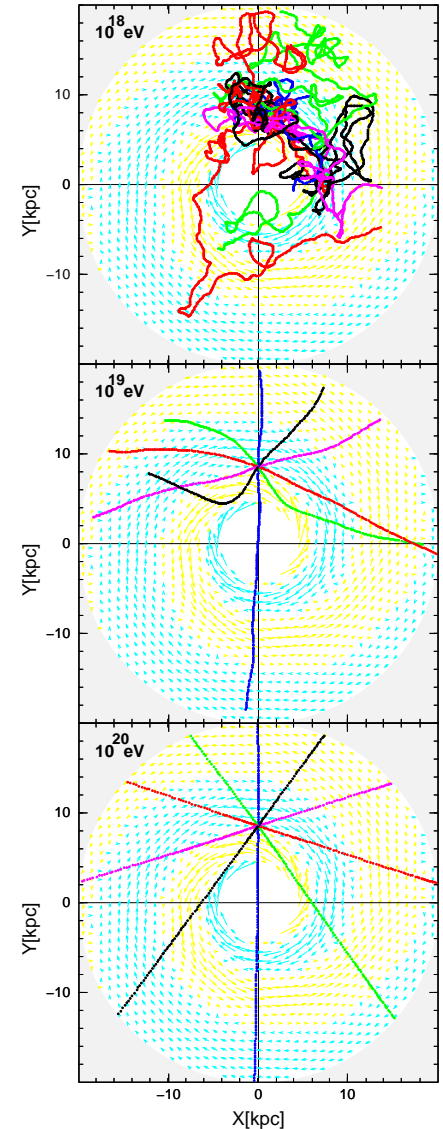
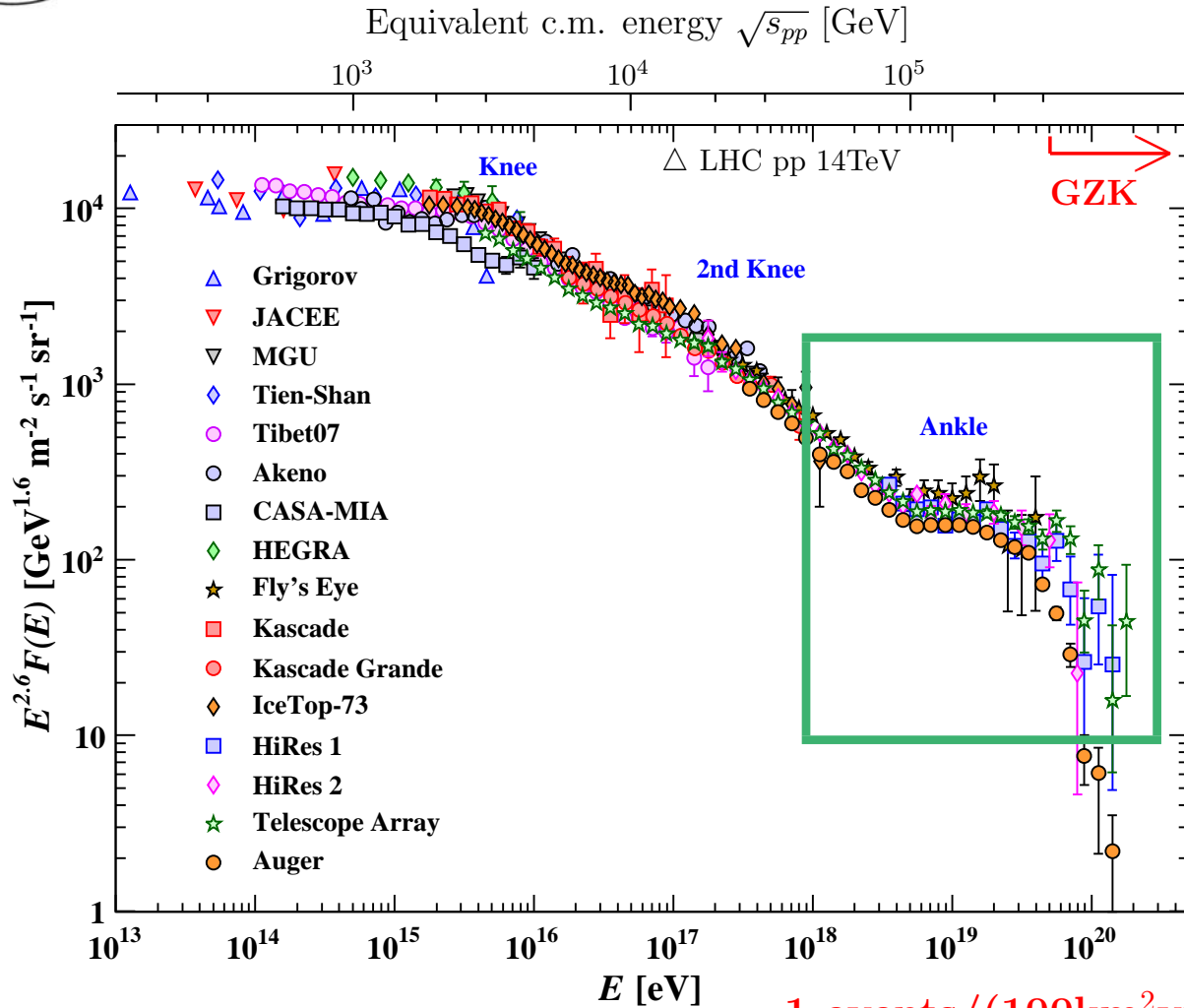
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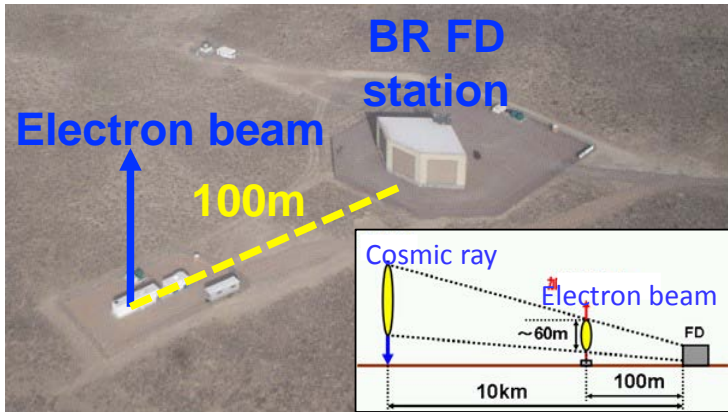
$\sim 1 \text{ events}/(100\text{km}^2\text{yr})$
@ 10^{20} eV



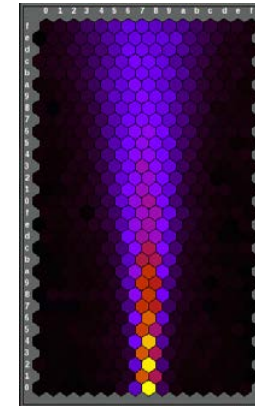
Electron Light Source (ELS)

preliminary

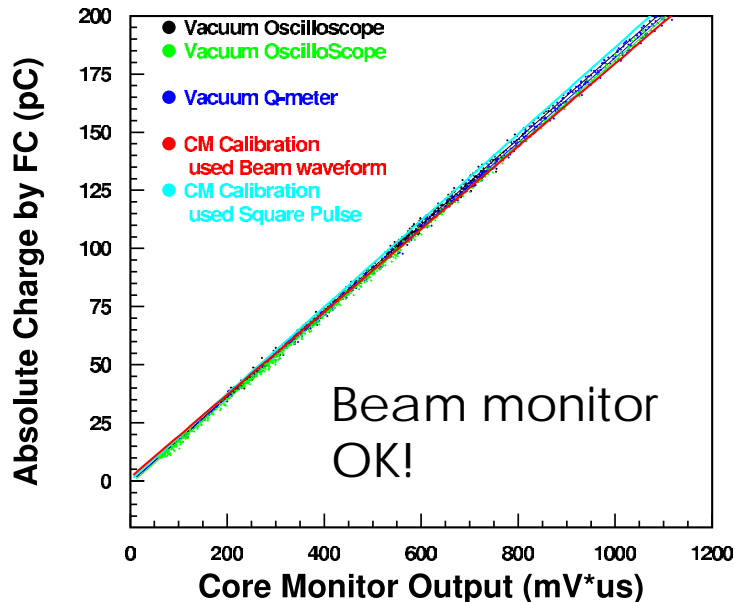
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- 40-MeV, 10^9 electrons (typical)
- End-to-end FD energy calibration



An image of data
Measured with FD

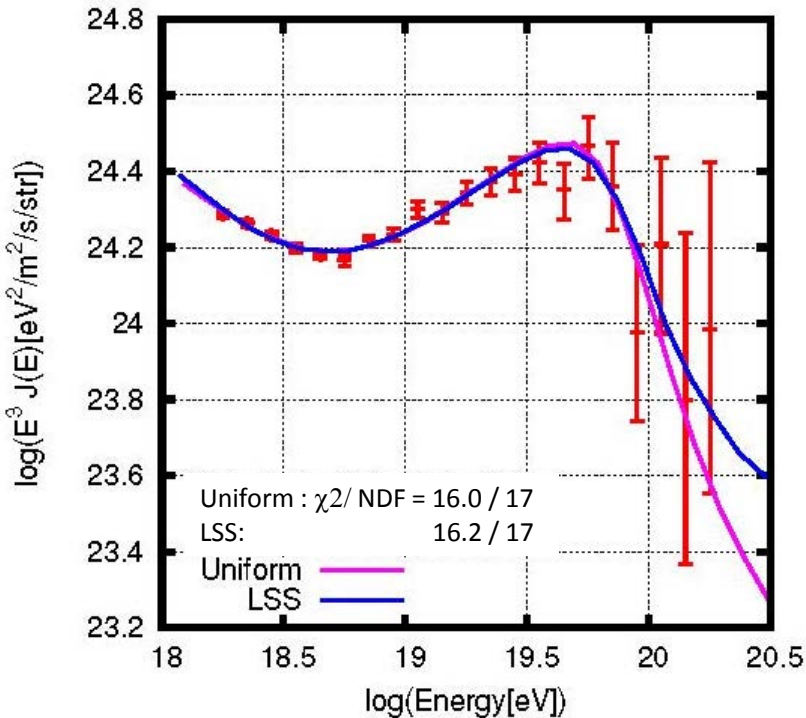


- ❖ Beam monitors have been calibrated. (Faraday Cap, Core monitor)
- ❖ MC simulation has been developed.
- ❖ Test fluorescence yield models
 - TA model(Kakimoto modifiend+Flash) :
Data/MC = $1.18 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst})$
 - Common Model (based on AirFly)
Data/MC = $0.96 \pm 0.01(\text{stat}) \pm 0.15(\text{syst})$

We expect that we can calibrate true energy scale of the FD with the ELS in near future.³¹

Astrophysical Scenario: TA

Fit with extra-galactic proton



Source Distribution

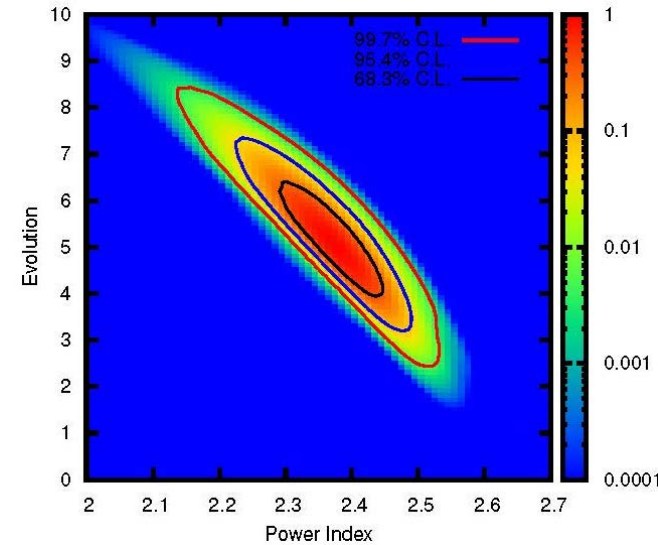
- Uniform
- LSS ($\sim 2\text{MASS XSCz}$)

Energy Loss with

- CMB
 - Infra-Red
- using CRPropa 2.0 simulation
checked with analytic ΔE .
No magnetic field.

4-parameter fit

- Injection spectrum : E^{-p}
 $E_{\text{max}} = 10^{21} \text{ eV}$
- Evolution : $(1+z)^m$
- Flux normalization
- Energy scale



For LSS

$$P = 2.37 \quad +0.08 \quad -0.08$$

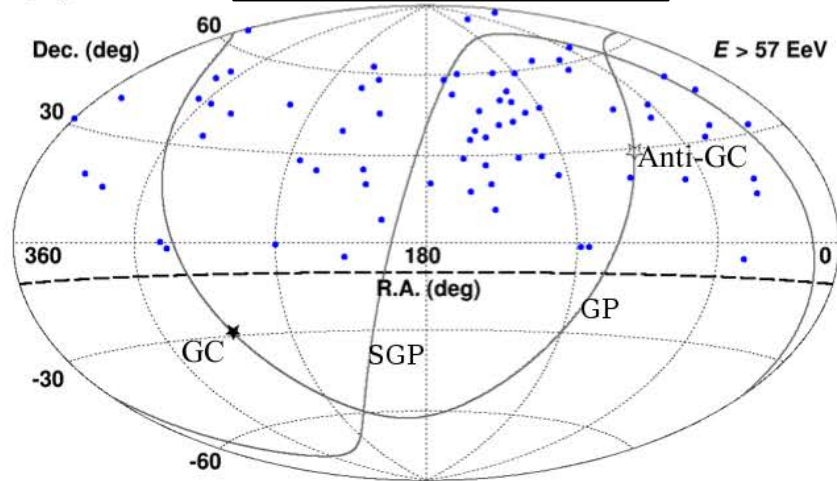
$$m = 5.2 \quad +1.2 \quad -1.3$$

$$\text{Log } E'/E = -0.02 \quad +0.04 \quad -0.05$$

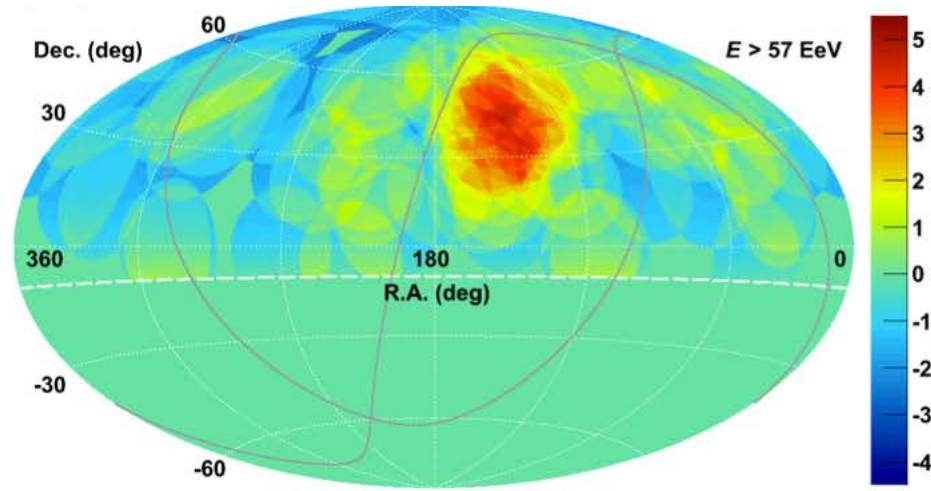
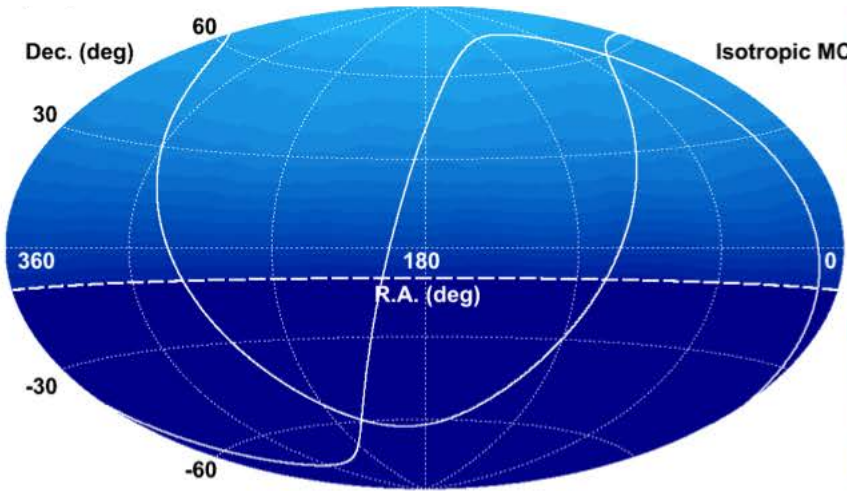
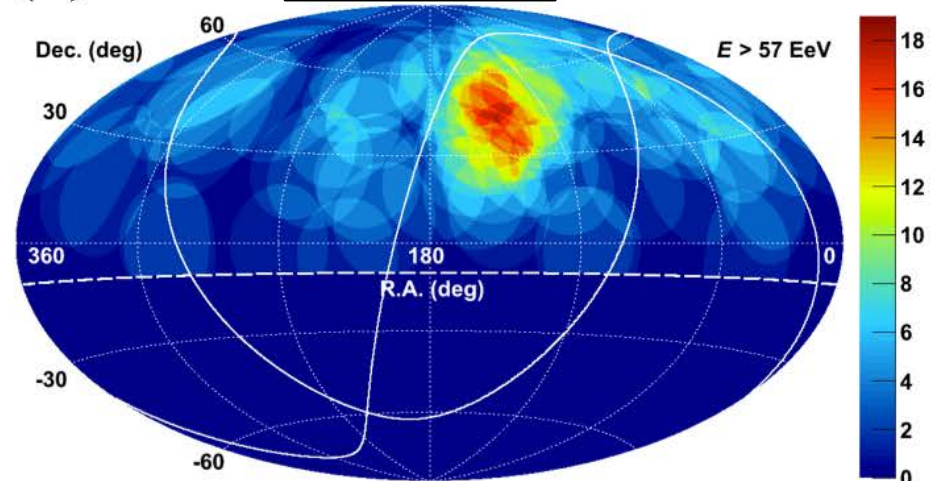


Hotspot

Event distribution



Observed

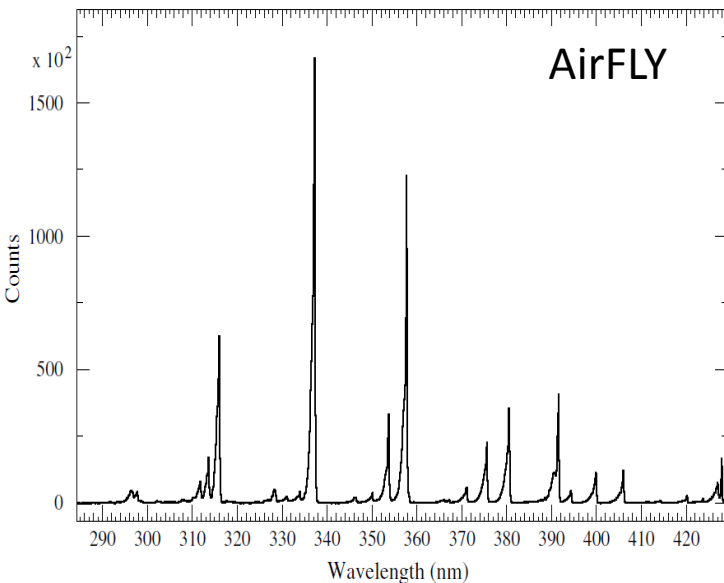


Background

Significance

Air Fluorescence : Reference model established

Reference Model proposed by B. Keilhauer & experimental groups at UHECR2012 @CERN.



- Spectrum at 1013 hPa and 293 K: AirFLY
- Extinction, T and humidity dep. : AirFLY, N.Sakaki et al.
- Normalization (AF Yield at 337nm) : open

$$Y_{\lambda}^{NEW2012}(T, P, RH)(\text{ph/MeV}) = Y_{337\text{nm}}(T_r, P_r) \cdot I_{\lambda}(T_r, P_r) \cdot \frac{1 + \frac{P_r}{P_{air}'(T_0)} \left(\frac{T_0}{T_r}\right)^{1/2-\alpha}}{1 + \frac{P}{P_{air}'(T_0, RH)} \left(\frac{T_0}{T}\right)^{1/2-\alpha}}$$

$T_r = T_0 = 293\text{K}$
 $P_r = 800\text{hPa}$

B. Keilhauer et al., UHECR 2012, arXiv:1210.1319
 M. Ave et al., AirFLY collaboration, ApJ 28(2007)41
 T. Shibata, ICRC 2013

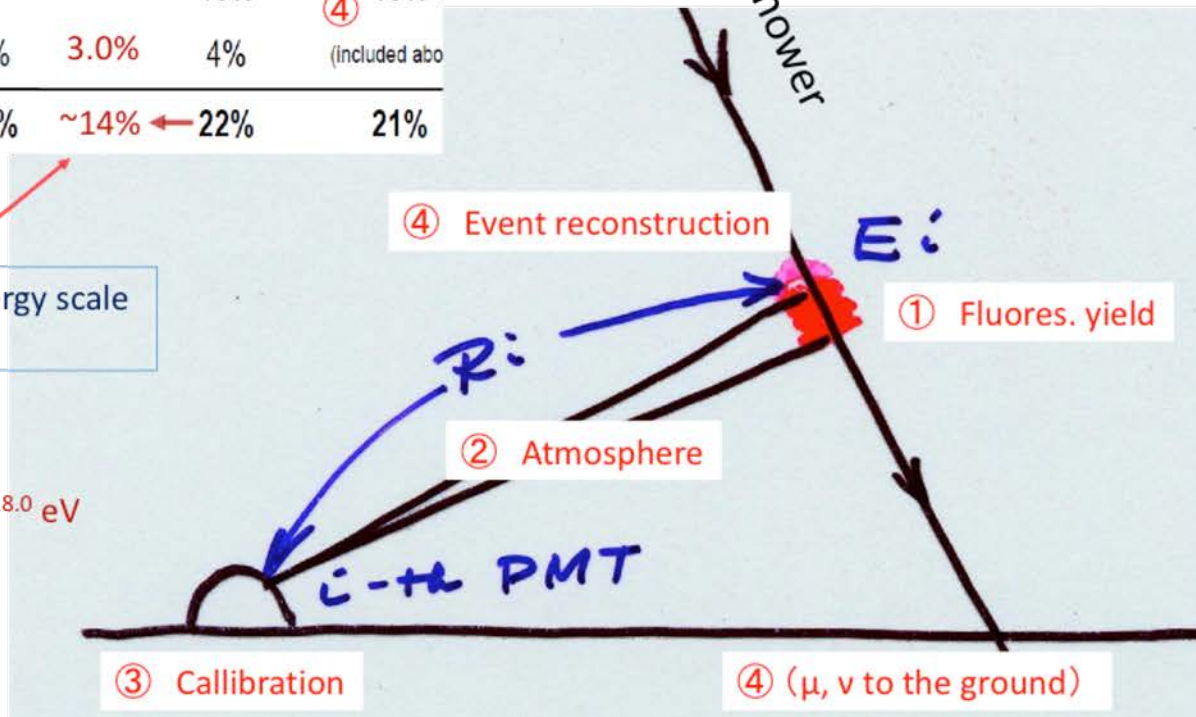
FD Energy Scale

	HiRes		Auger	TA
Calibration	10%	9.9%	9.5%	③ 10%
Fluorescence yield	6%	3.6%	14%	① 11%
Atmosphere	5%	6.2%	8%	② 11%
Reconstruction	10%	6.5%	10%	④ 10%
Invisible energy	5%	3.0%	4%	(included abo
Total Systematic Uncertainty	17%	~14%	22%	21%

Total Systematic Uncertainty

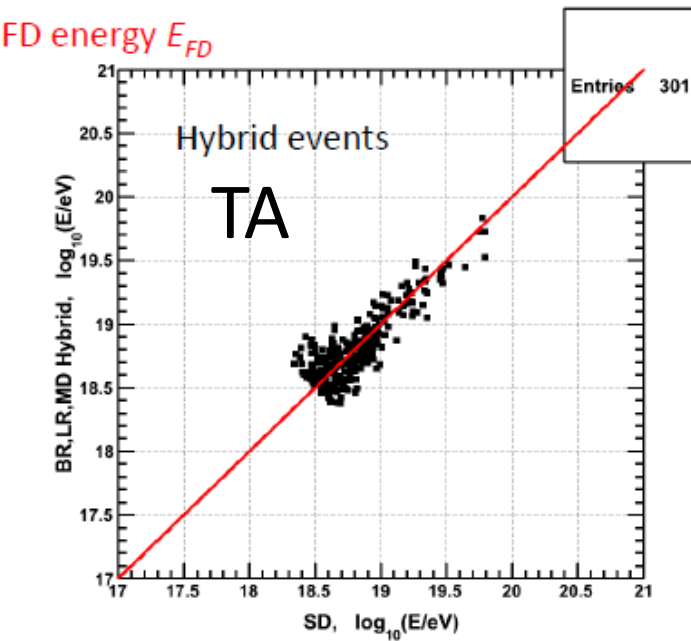
Auger updated energy scale in ICRC 2013

Energy Increased by 16% at $10^{18.0}$ eV and 10% at 10^{19} eV

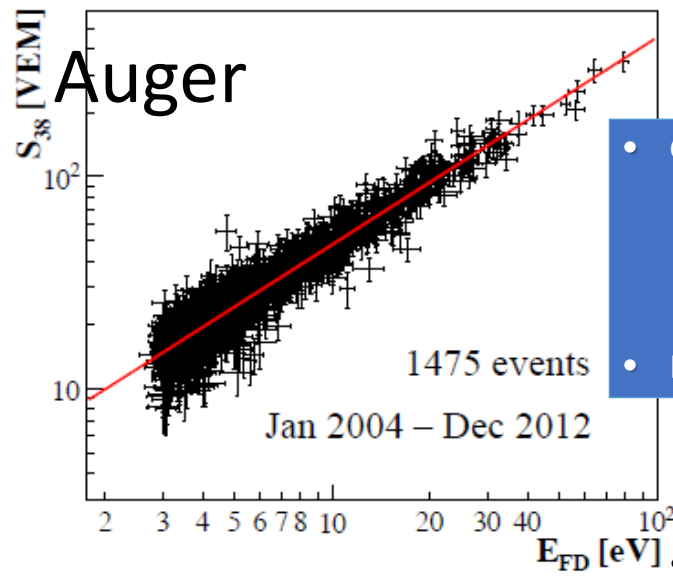


V. Verzi, ICRC2013
A. Lettessier-Selvon ICRC2013

Energy Calibration E'_{SD} (S_{38} for Auger) vs E_{FD} using hybrid events



SD energy E_{SD}
 $E_{SD} = E'_{SD}/1.27$



$$E_{SD} = A S_{38}^B \quad \begin{matrix} A = 0.190 \times 10^{18} \text{ eV} \\ B = 1.025 \end{matrix}$$

- Good correlation (~linear) with particle density at 1000m (Auger), 800m (TA) from core for $10^{18.5} < E < 10^{19.8}$ eV.
- Limited statistics for $10^{19.5}$ eV $< E$

- S-800 = # of particles at D=800m
- S-800(E'_{SD} , th) map is obtained by air shower simulation.

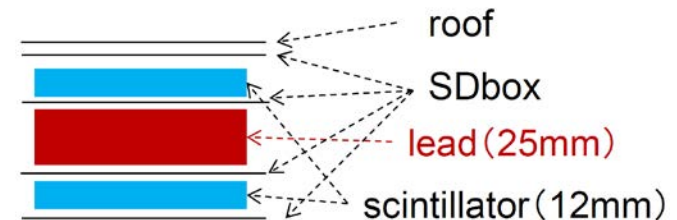
- S_{38} = # of VEMs at $\theta=38^\circ$ and D=1000m
- Zenith attenuation of VEMs obtained from Constant Intensity Cut (CIC)

- Auger E-scale updated (ICRC2013) using (nearly) reference model.
- TA E-scale unchanged:
 - Spectrum: FLASH
 - Yield: Kakimoto et al. extended
 - same as HiRes

TA muon detector project

- One set of 24-m² scintillator detector with concrete absorber on the top
 - 8x(3-m² scintillator detectors)
- Lead layer sandwiched between two scintillators
 - First 9 m²: 12x(0.75 m²)
 - 1 segment was deployed inside CLF

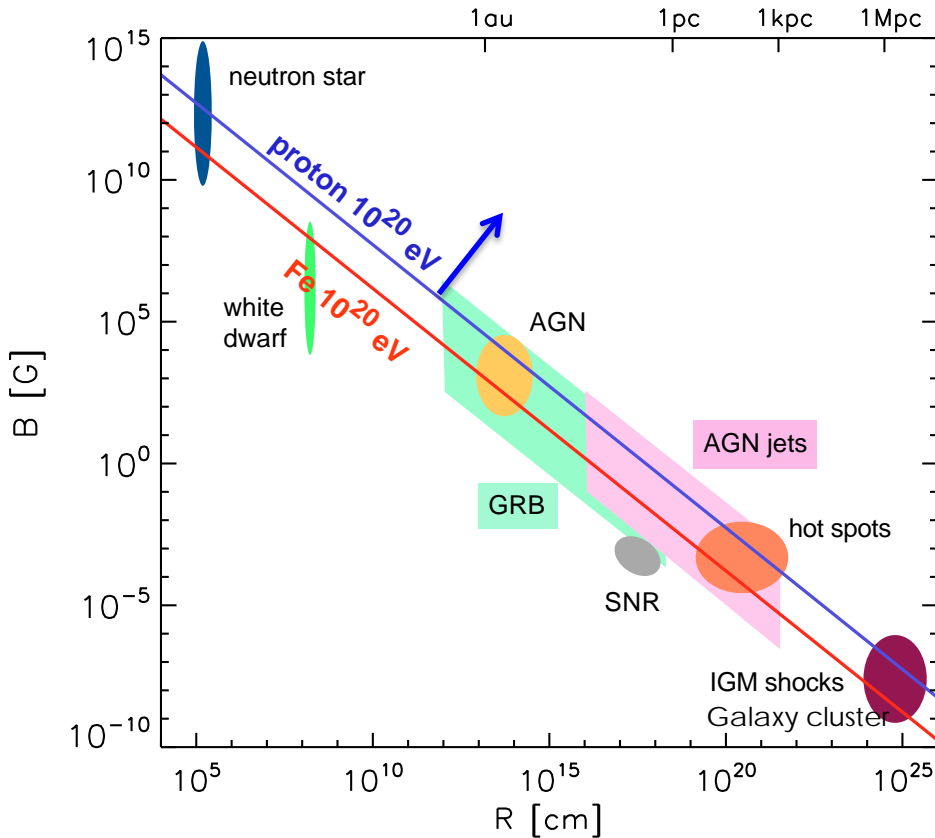
will be installed outside CLF early next year



- Auger water → TA site



Hillas Diagram



Kotera & Olinto, Annu. Rev. Astron. Astrophys (2010)

- ❖ Larmor Radius R_L
 $= 100 \text{kpc } Z^{-1} (\mu\text{G}/B)(E/100 \text{EeV})$
 \gg galactic disk
- ❖ Source should have capability of confining particle up to E_{MAX}
- ❖ Necessary condition, but not sufficient
- ❖ E_{MAX} depends on acceleration mechanism
- ❖ Recent simulations relativistic shocks in AGN can't accelerate up to 10^{20}eV ?

Motivation

Search for Violent Accelerator in the Universe

Jets
($R \sim \text{kpc}$)

AGN
Super-massive BH
Accretion disk & torus
($R \sim \text{pc}$)

Lobe
($R > \sim 10 \text{kpc}$)

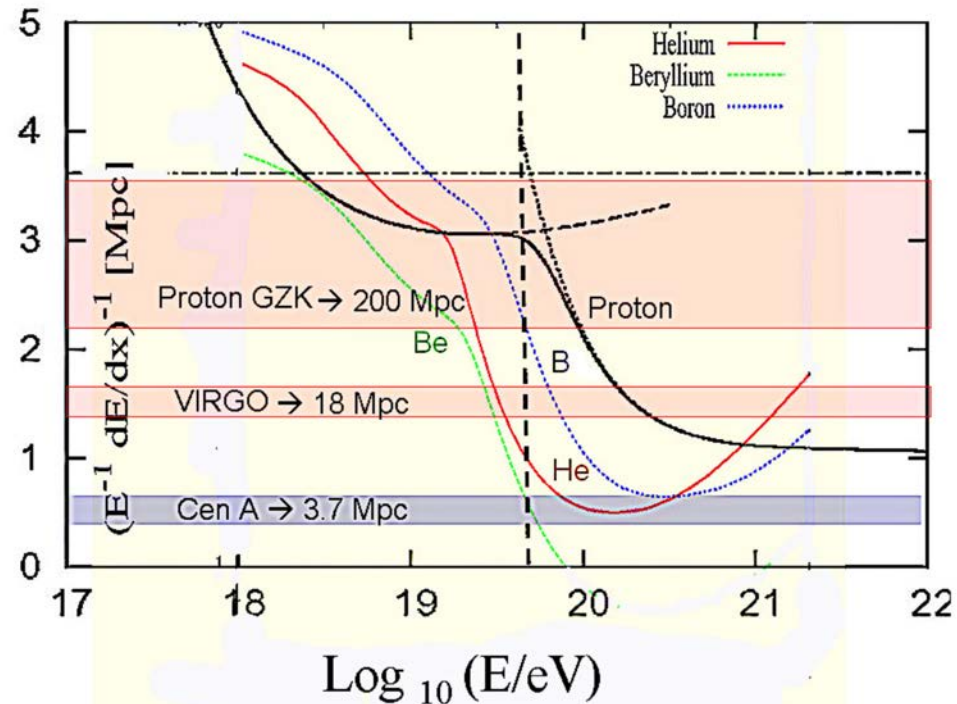
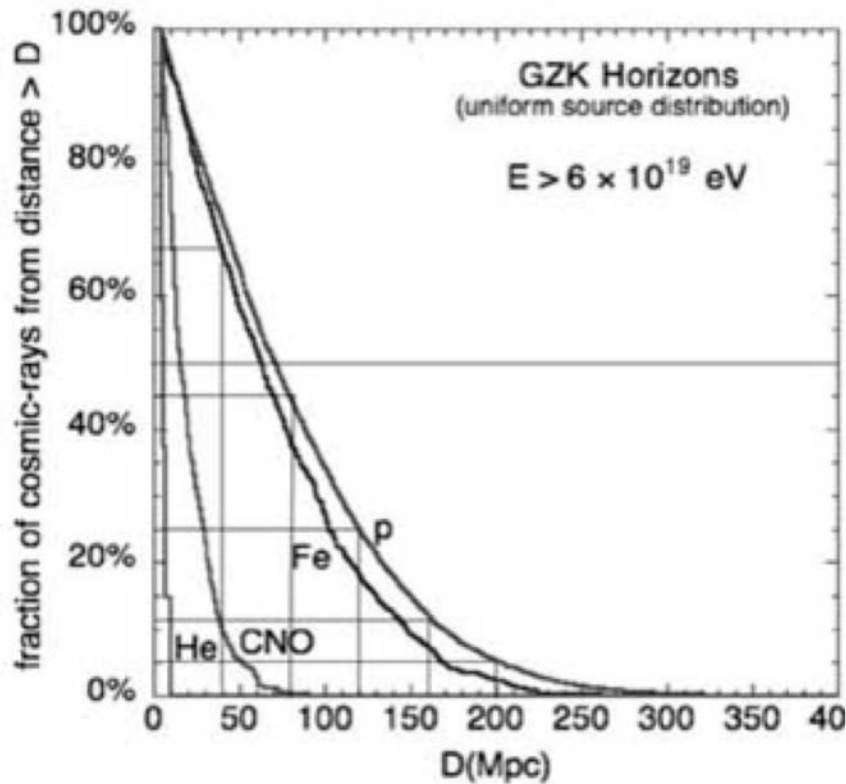
Hot Spot
($R \sim \text{kpc}$)

Energetic jets of active galaxy (Centaurus A)

ESO/WFI (visible); MPIfR/ESO/APEX/A.Weiss et al. (microwave); NASA/CXC/CfA/R.Kraft et al. (X-ray))

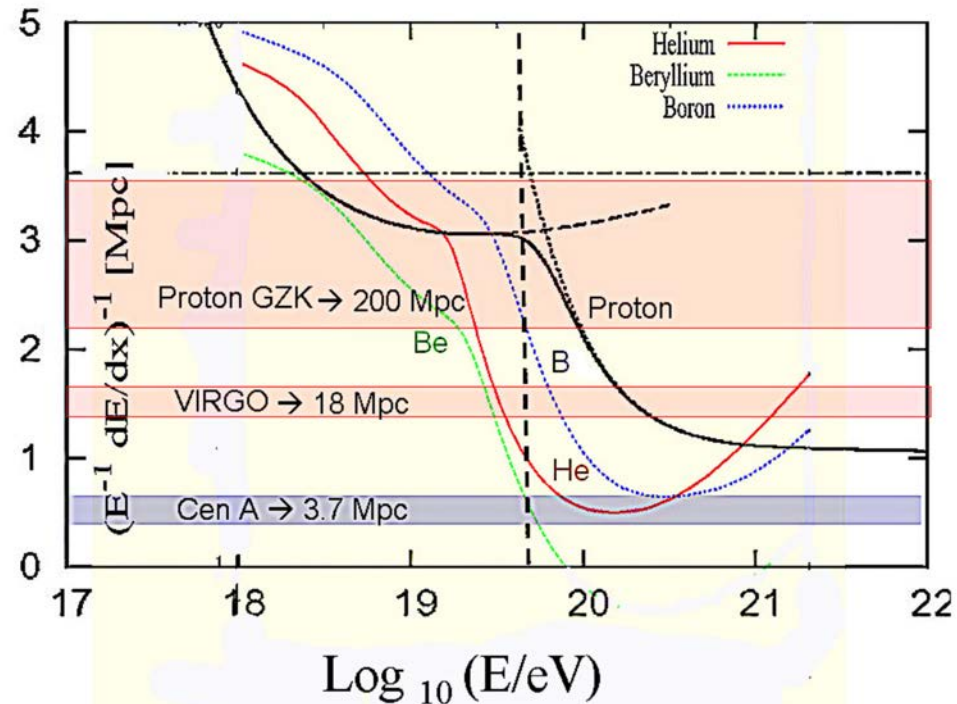
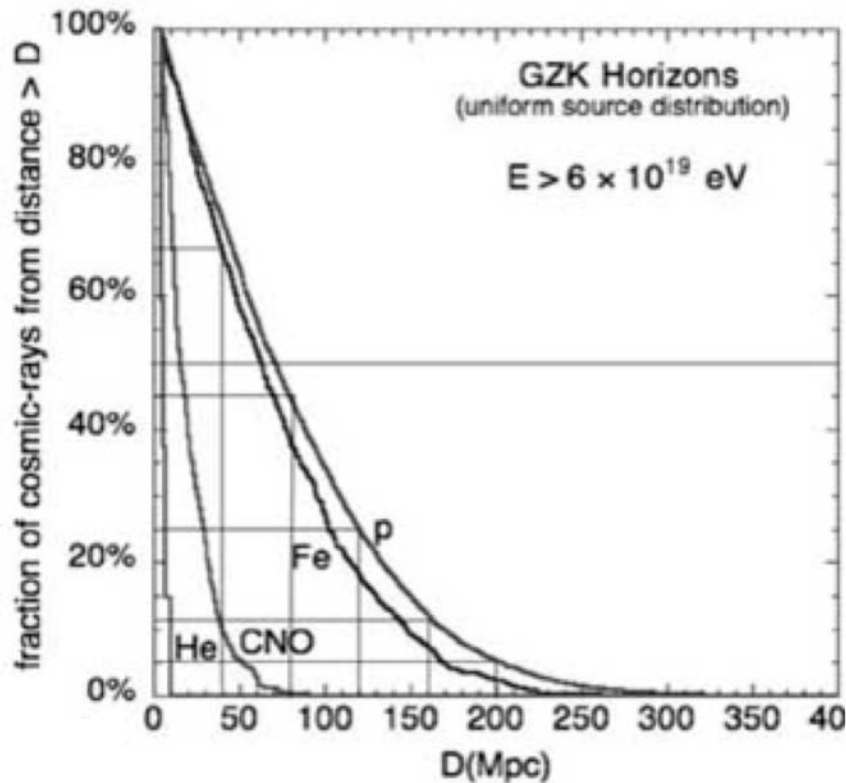
GZK Horizons Composition Dependence

distances



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Intergalactic Magnetic Field

Generally random MF

Very difficult to measure IGMF

→ Large uncertainty $\sim 10^{-17} \text{G} < B < \sim 10^{-9} \text{G}$

$$\theta(E, d) \simeq \frac{(2dl_c/9)^{1/2}}{r_g} \simeq 0.8^\circ q \left(\frac{E}{10^{20} \text{ eV}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{d}{10 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{l_c}{1 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{B}{10^{-9} \text{ G}} \right)$$

→ too small? to explain hotspot shifted from SGP

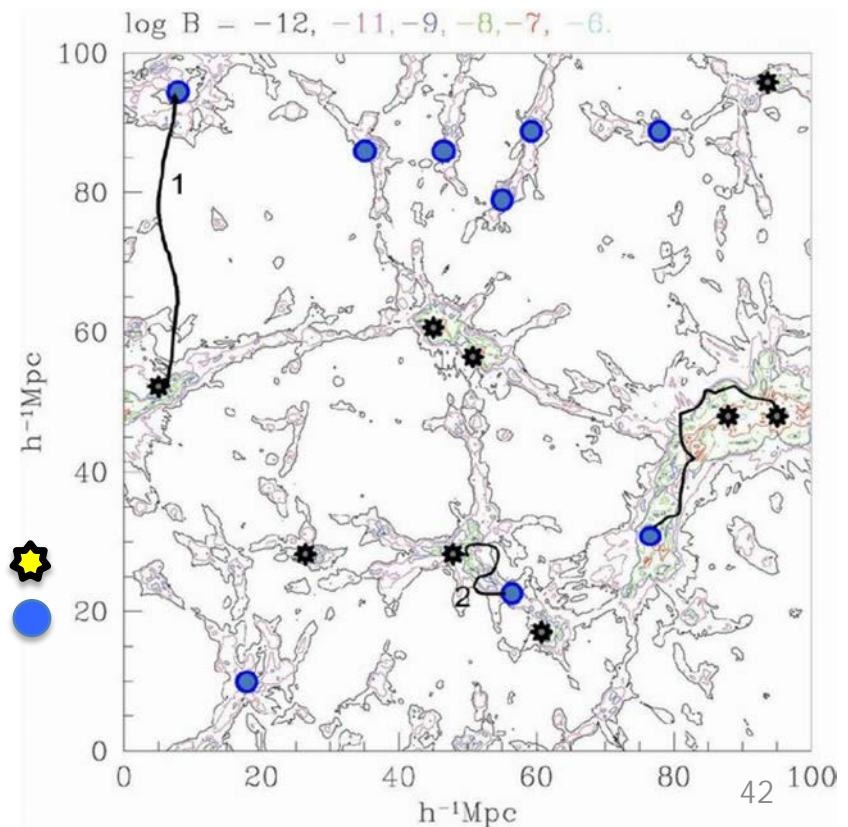
But, MF Strength depends on cluster / filament / void regions

A simulated universe

UHECR sources

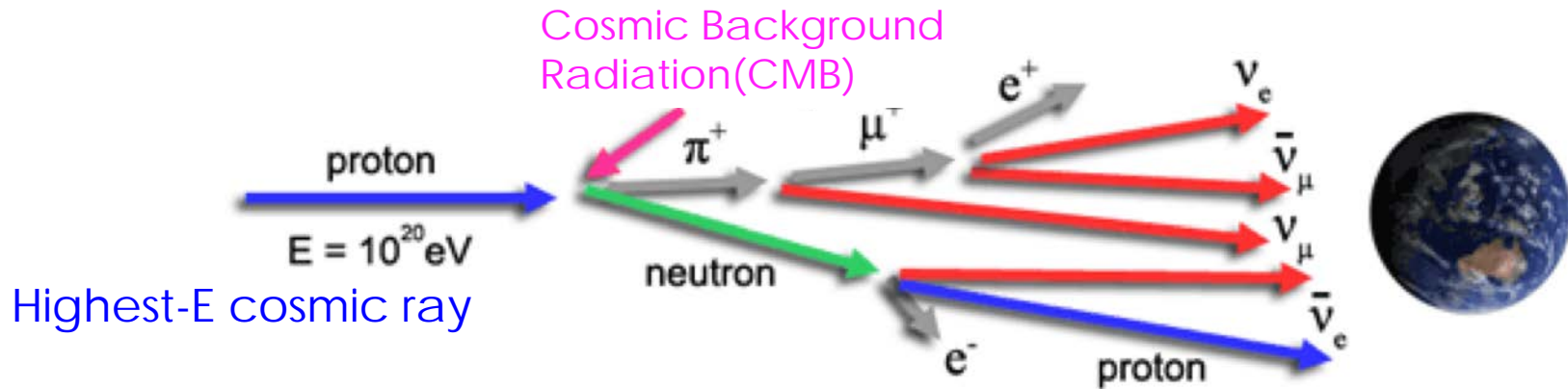
Virtual observers

Ryu, Das & Kang, ApJ (2010)





GZK Effect



Highest energy region

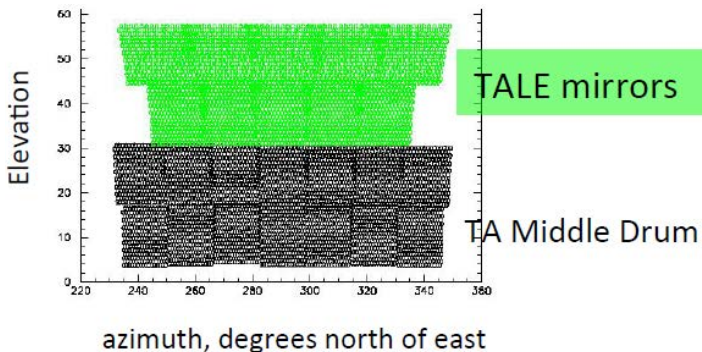
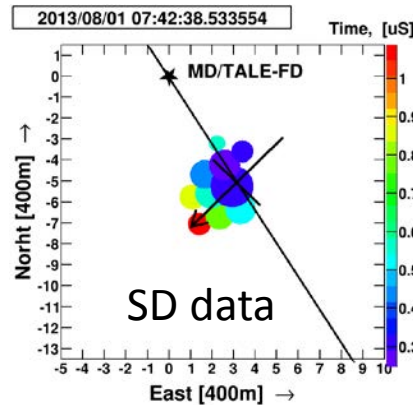
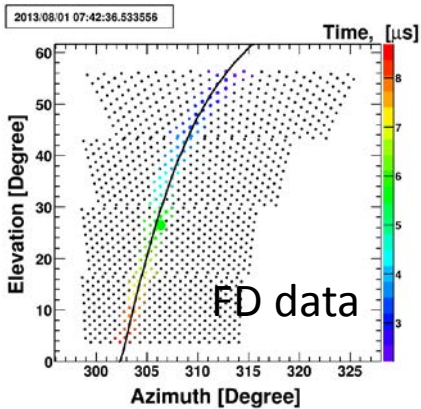
- ❖ Highest-E cosmic ray travel beyond 50Mpc rapidly loss their energy by interaction with the cosmic microwave background. → Greisen-Zatsepin-Kuzmin (GZK) Effect

Highest-E cosmic rays can not reach the Earth from the distant universe. Therefore, Origin of cosmic rays should be limited to local universe

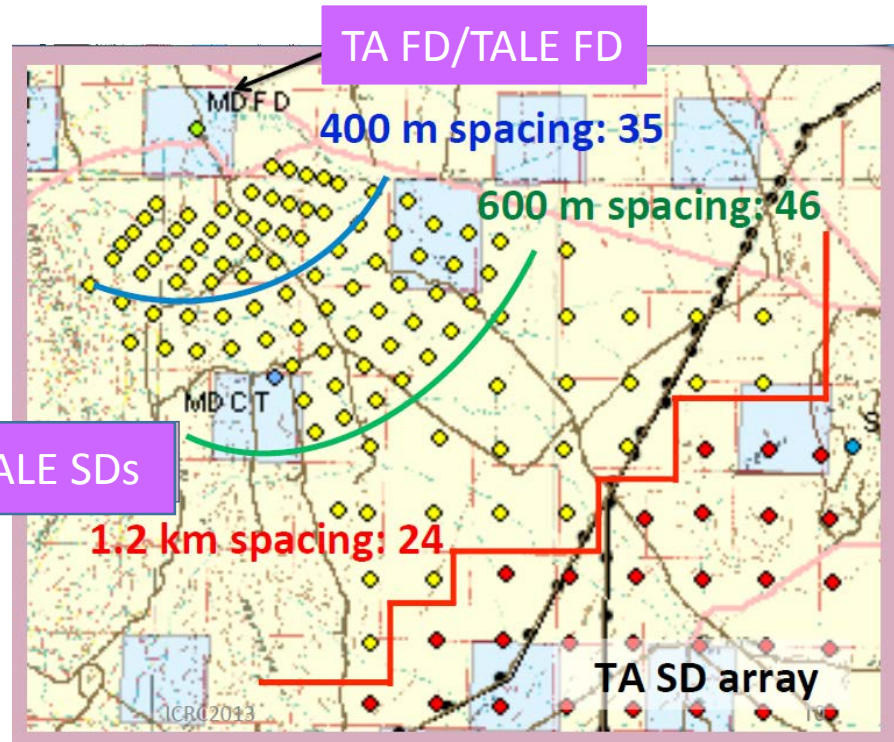


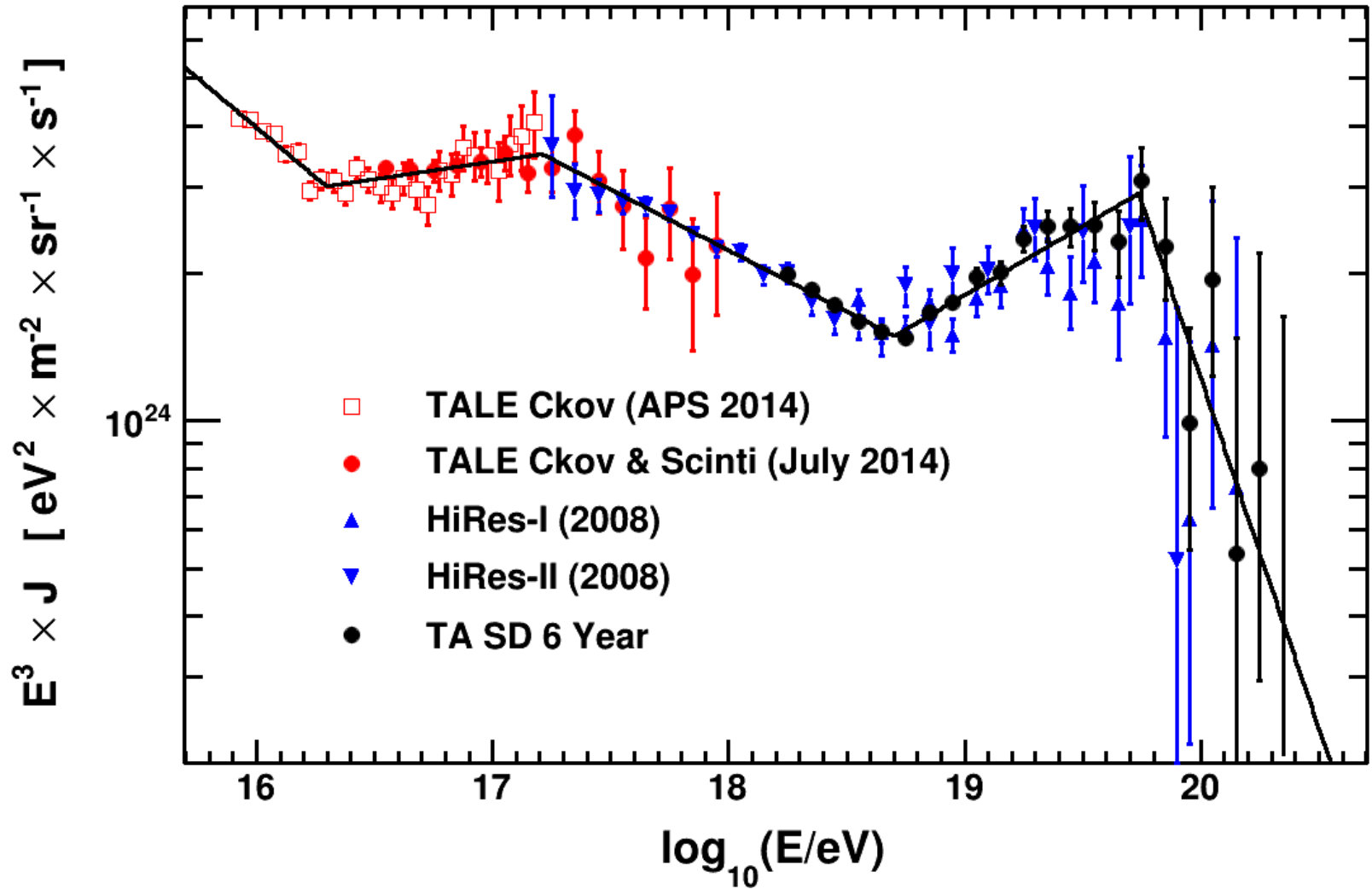
TALE (TA Low-E Extension)

- ❖ Target range $10^{16.5}$ - 10^{19} eV
 - Second Knee
 - Change of mass composition
 - LHC center of mass E
- ❖ TALE is operating partly now



101 TALE SDs



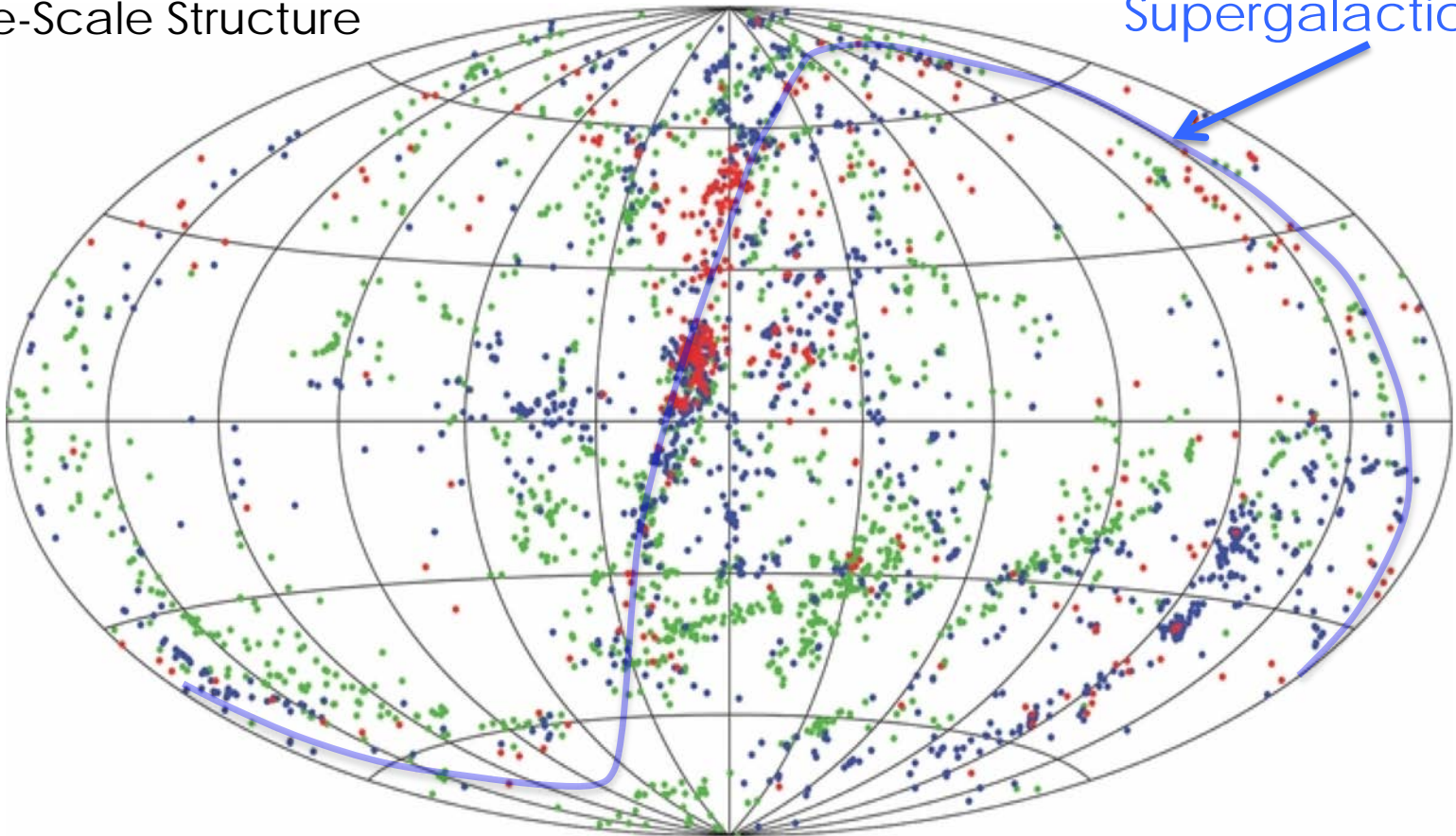




Galaxy Distribution in Local Universe

Large-Scale Structure
(LSS)

Supergalactic Plane
(SGP)

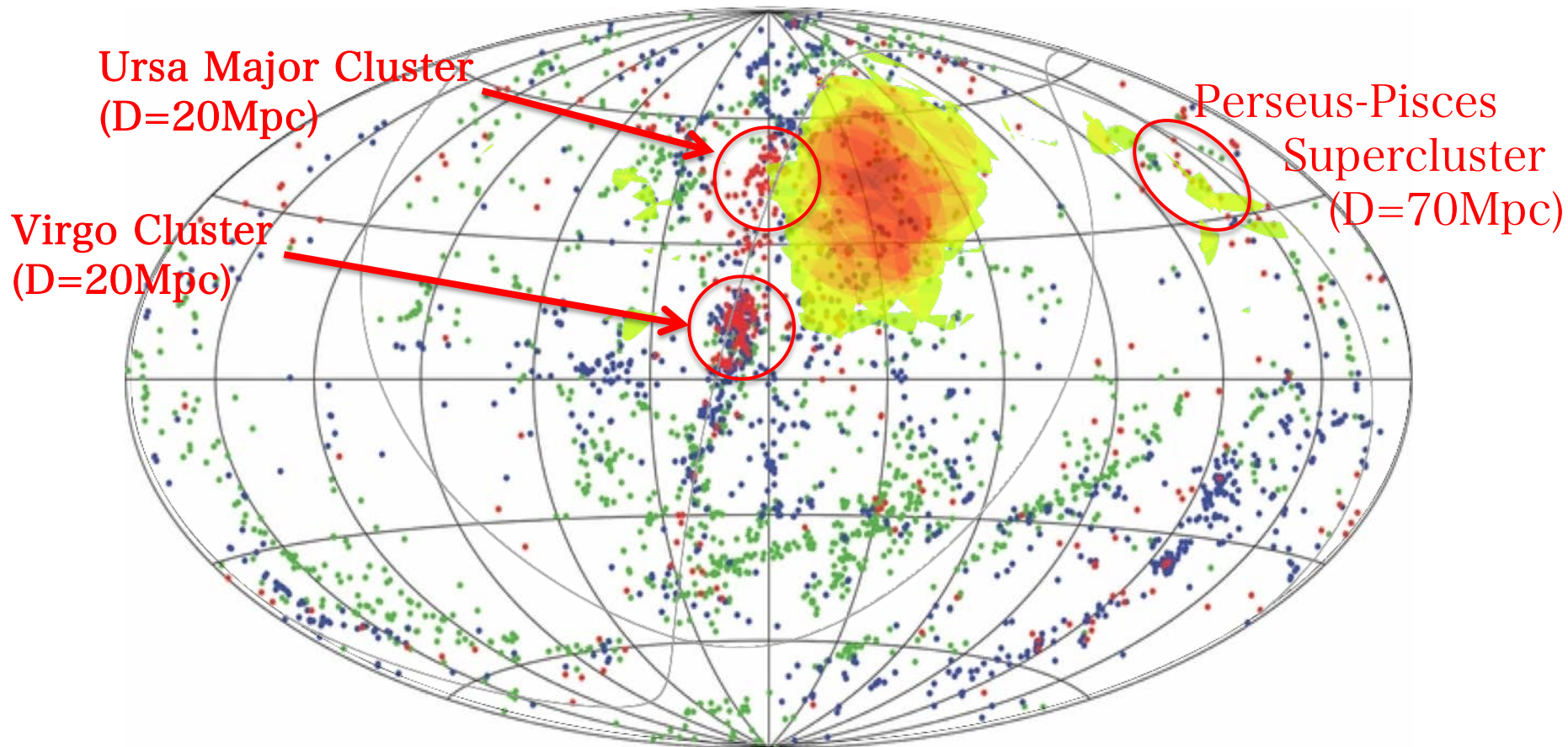


2MASS catalog velocity 0 – 3000 km/s
John P. Huchra, et al 2012, ApJ, 199, 26
→ high completeness catalog

Heliocentric velocity (Rough Distance)
Red: 0-1000km/s (D = 0-15Mpc)
Blue: 1000-2000km/s (D = 15-30Mpc)
Green: 2000-3000km/s (D = 30-45Mpc)



Nearby Galaxy Clusters



Ursa Major Cluster
(D=20Mpc)

Perseus-Pisces
Supercluster
(D=70Mpc)

Virgo Cluster
(D=20Mpc)

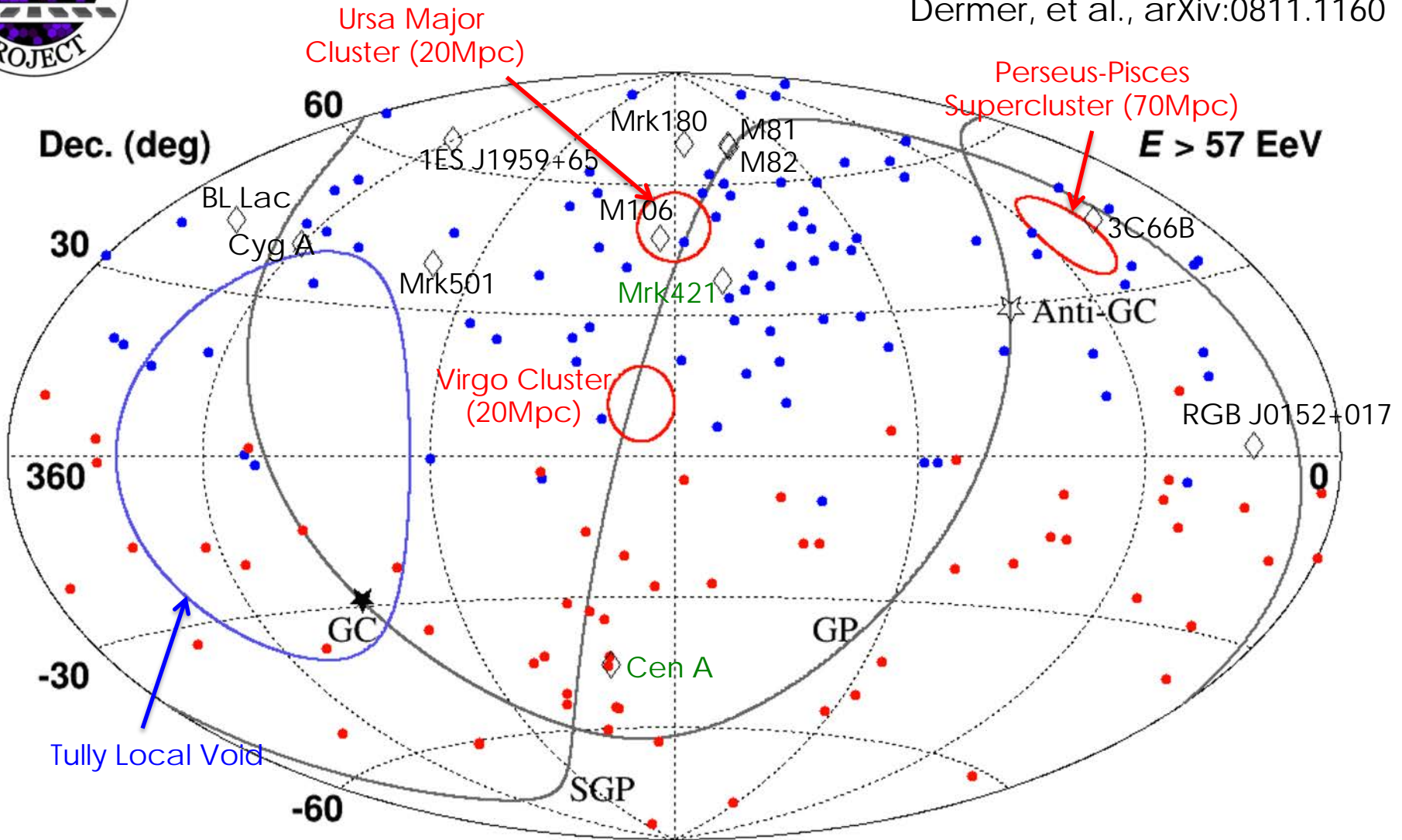
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+ 5-year TA data (Color contour)

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Nearby Prominent AGNs

Dermer, et al., arXiv:0811.1160



TA : 2008 May – 2014 May (6.0 years) 87 events
Auger : 2004 May – 2009 Nov (5.5 years) 62 events

Comparison with Large-Scale Structure

Sky map of expected flux at $E > 57$ EeV (Galactic coordinates). The smearing angle is 6° . The letters indicate the nearby structures as follows: C: Centaurus supercluster (60 Mpc); Co: Coma cluster (90 Mpc); E: Eridanus cluster (30 Mpc); F: Fornax cluster (20 Mpc); Hy: Hydra supercluster (50 Mpc); N: Norma supercluster (65 Mpc); PI: Pavo-Indus supercluster (70 Mpc); PP: Perseus-Pisces supercluster (70 Mpc); UM: Ursa Major (20 Mpc); and V: Virgo cluster (20 Mpc).

No correction for E scale difference b/w TA and PAO !!

TA 7 years + PAO 10 years

