

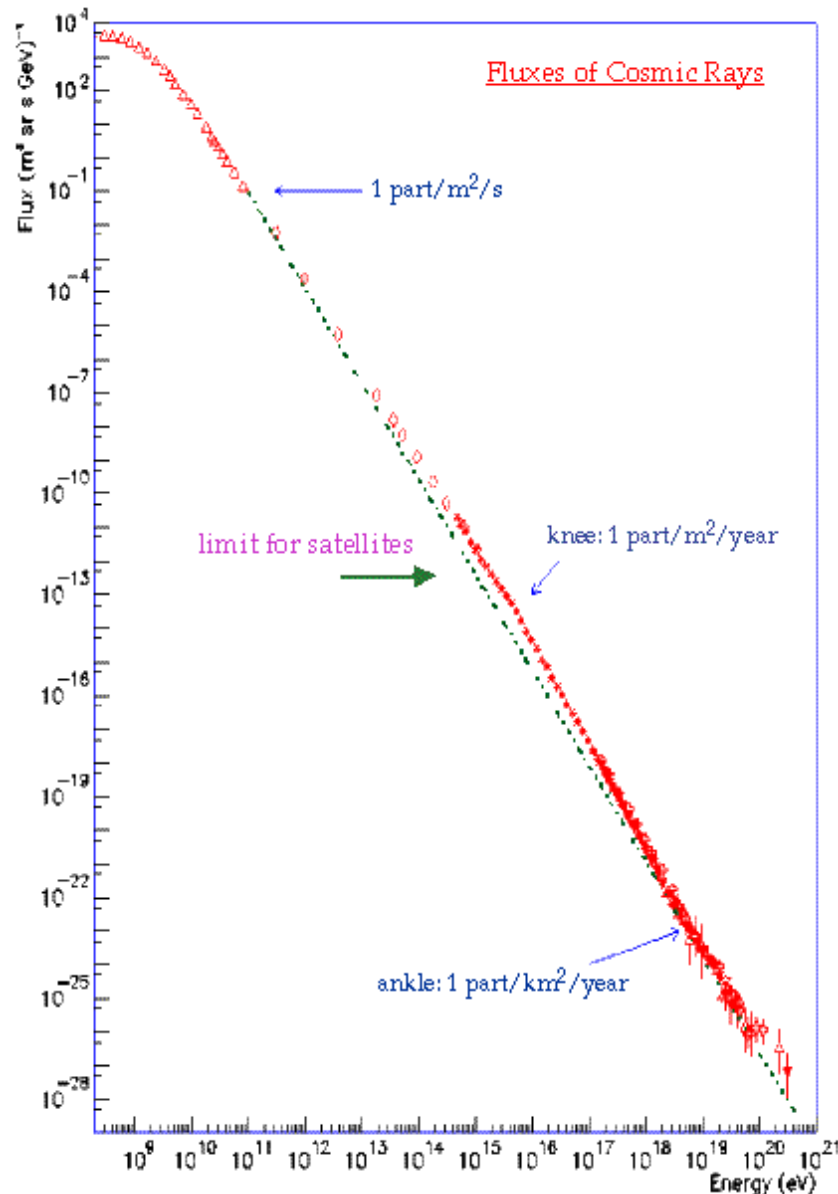
Experimental Astroparticle 2

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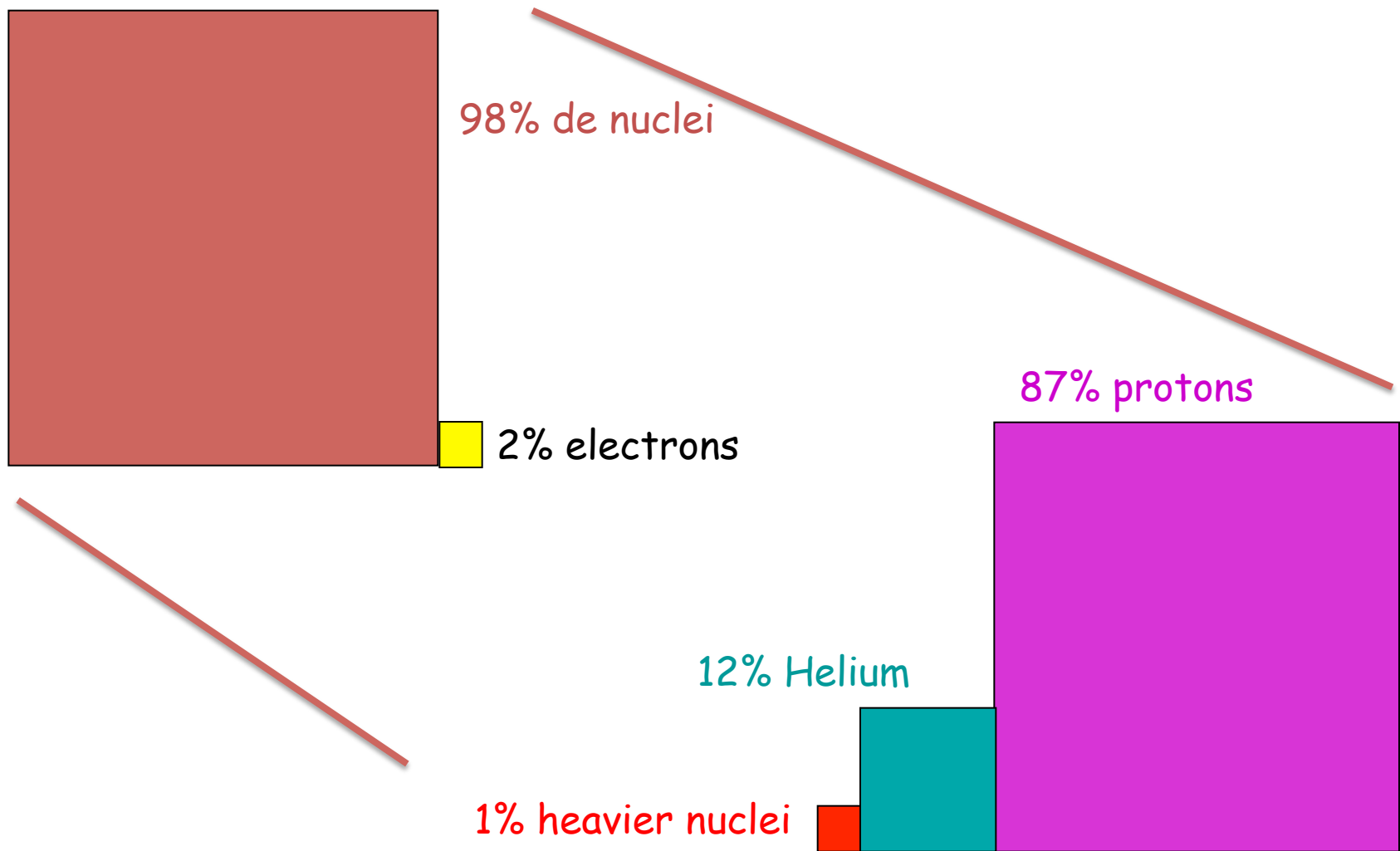
The “all” particle spectrum



$$\frac{dI}{dE} \propto E^{-\gamma} \quad \text{ou} \quad I(>E) \propto E^{-(\gamma-1)}$$

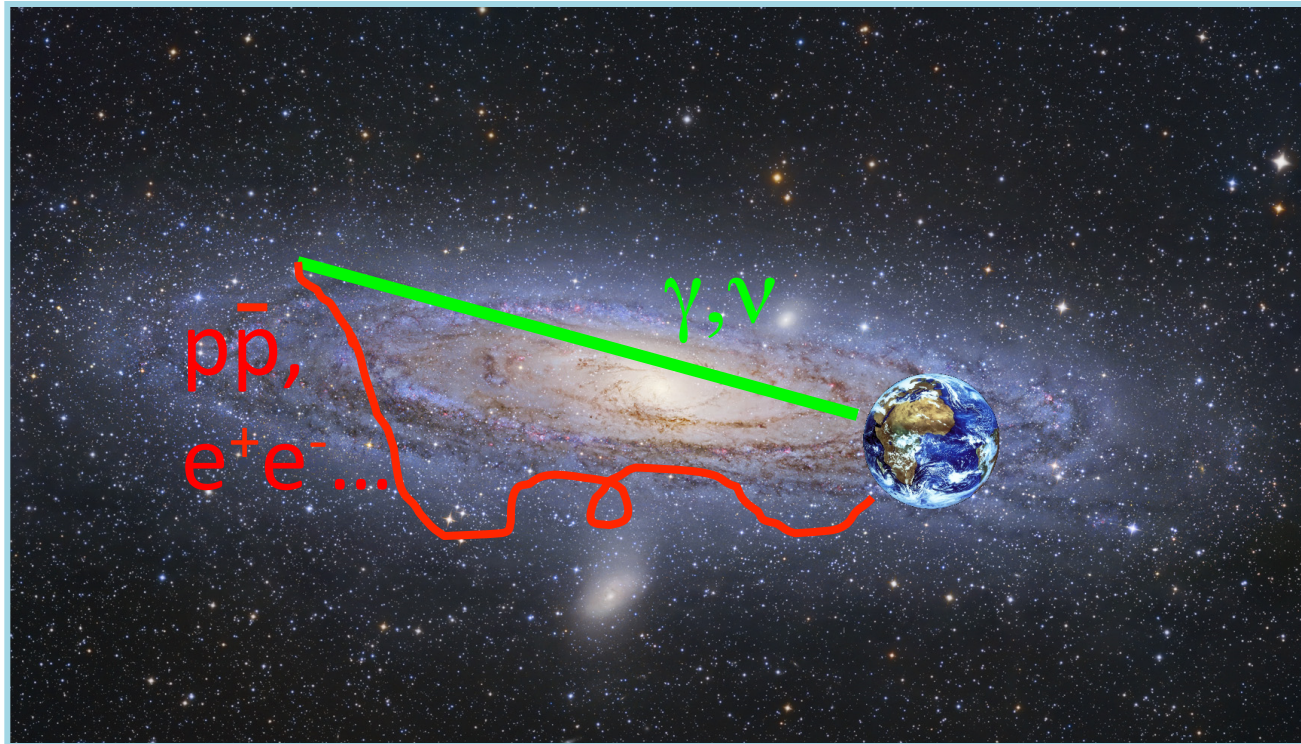
- Regular spectrum over 12 decades in energy, and 32 decades in flux !!!
- Small break near $3 \times 10^{15} \text{ eV}$: the "knee"
- An other one near 10^{18} eV : the "ankle"
- Spectrum badly known at the two extremities
 - Geomagnetic "shield" + Solar modulation
 - Extreme rareness...

Composition

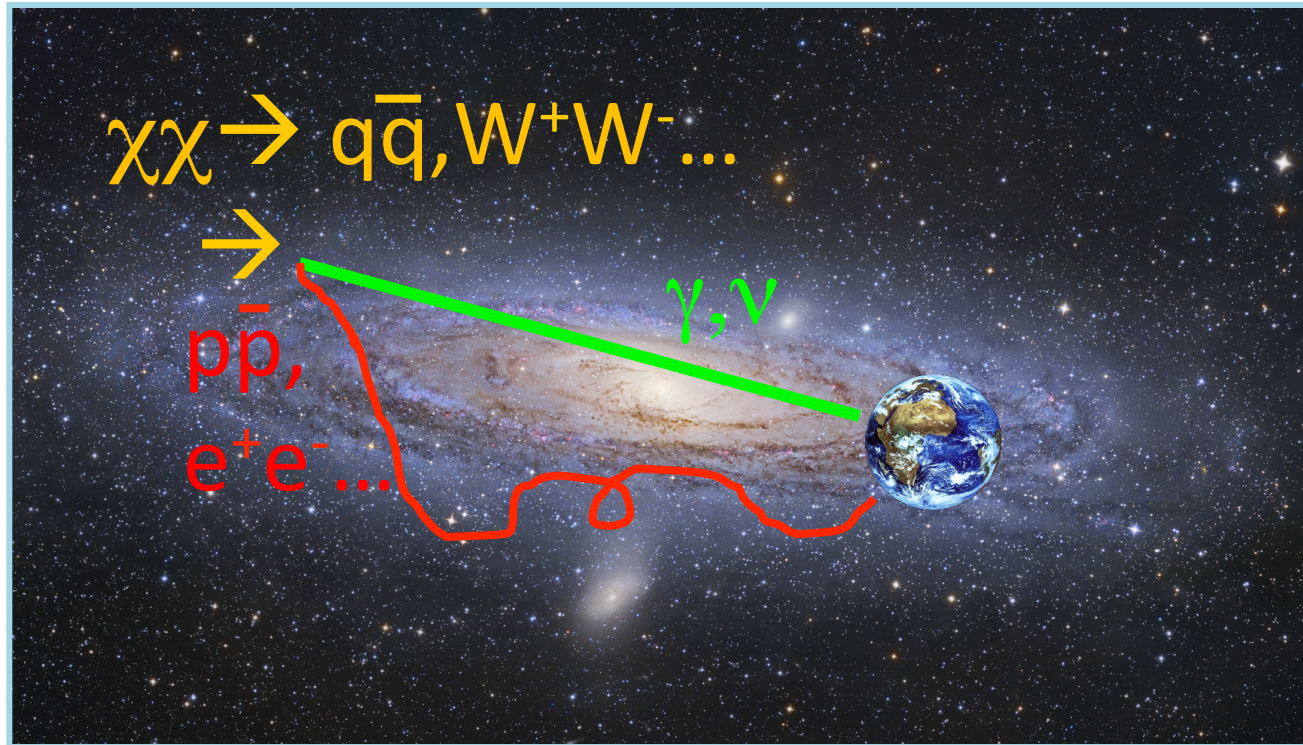


Flux : 4 RC/cm²/s \Rightarrow 1 kg/year \ll 40 000 ton/year (meteorites)

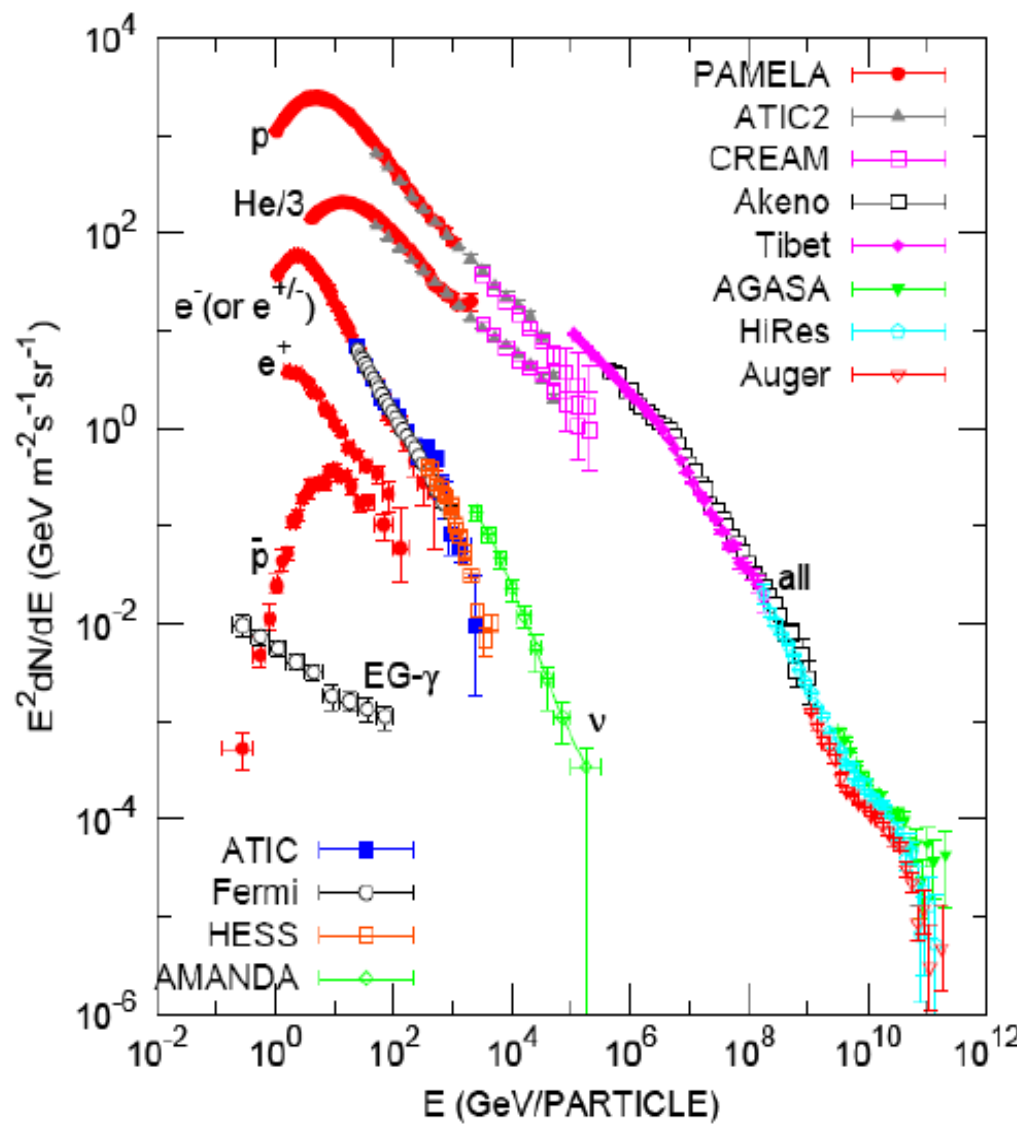
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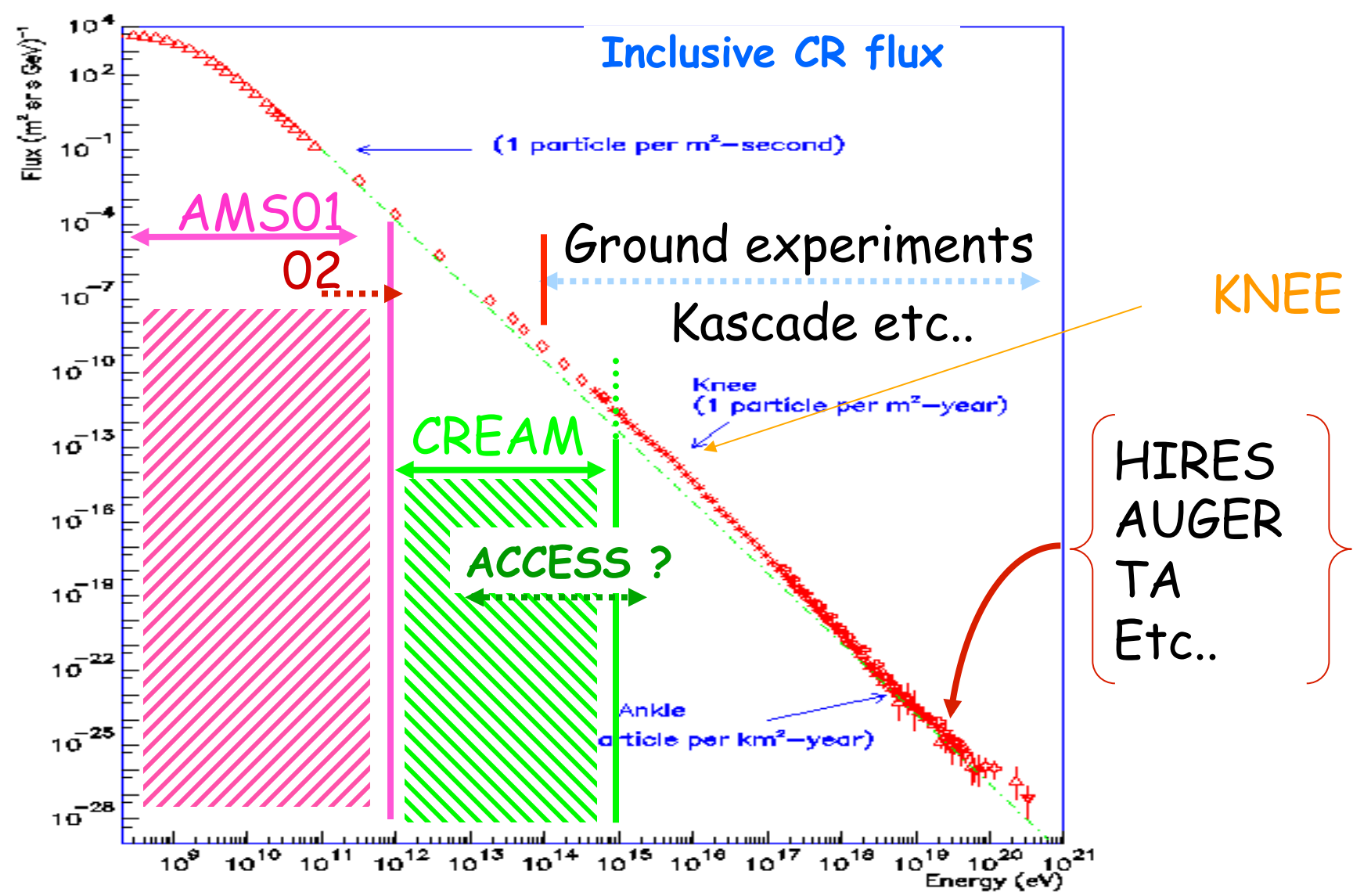
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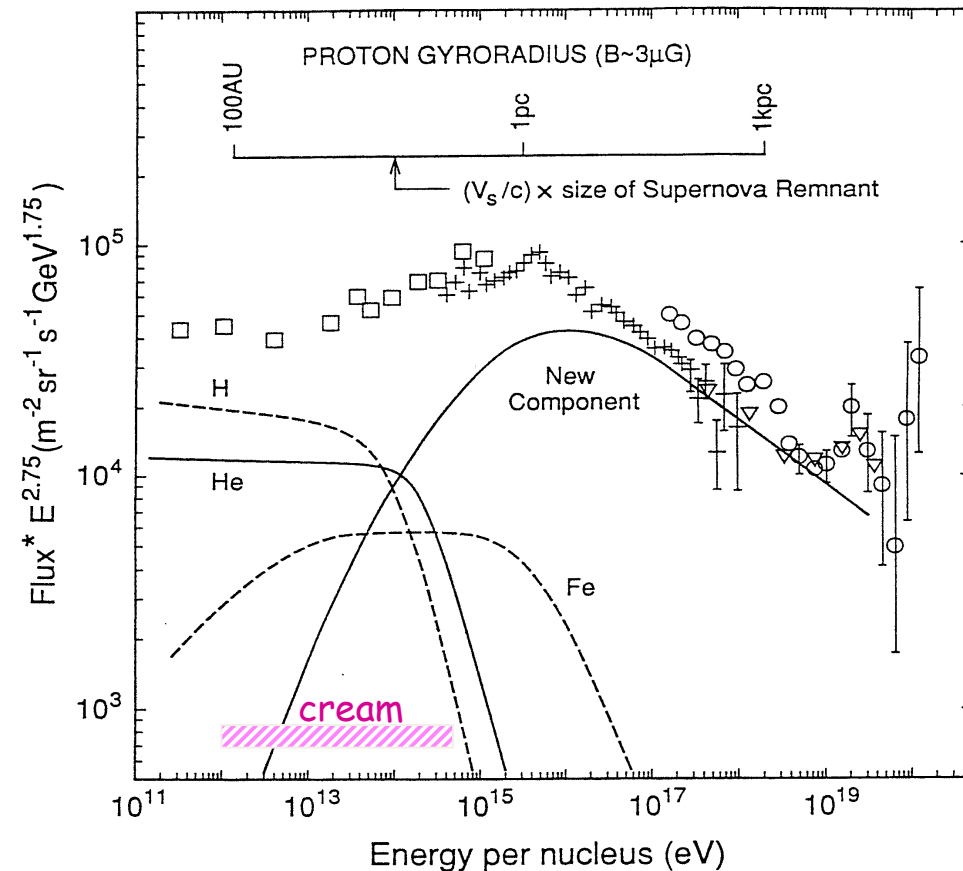
Composition



Experimental context



The knee

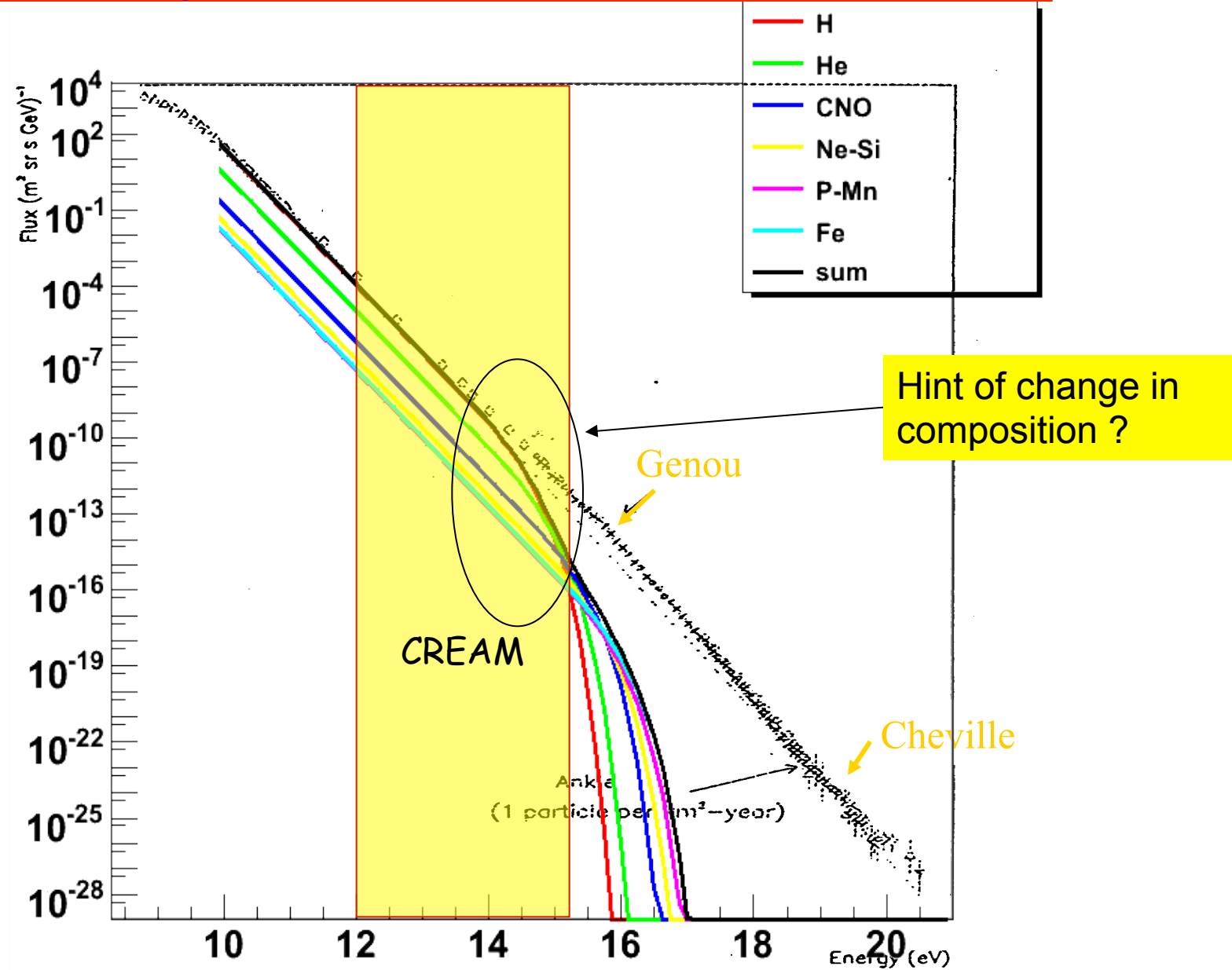


- Is the knee due to:
 - Acceleration mechanisms
 - or to changes :
 - in propagation?
 - in CR sources?
 - in interaction properties (threshold) ?

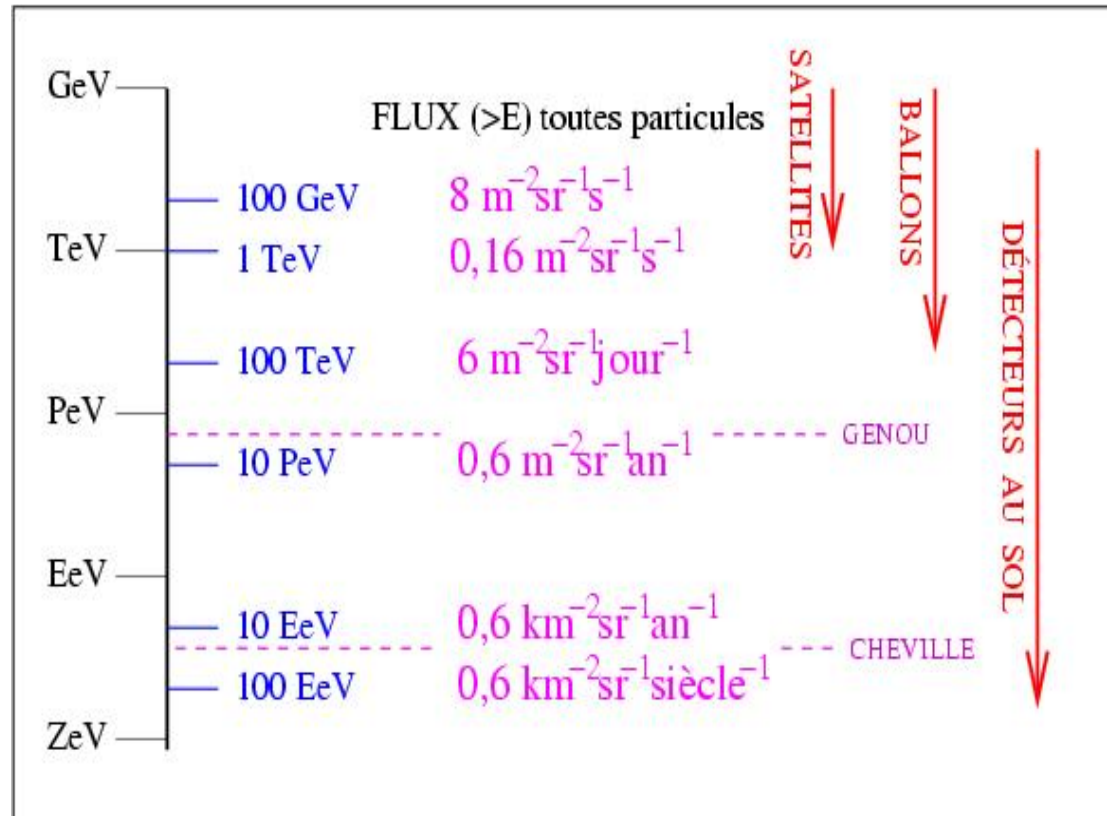
⇒ A diffuse SNR shock acceleration with E_{\max} implies a change in composition around $\sim 10^{14}$ eV.

SNR energy limit: $E_{\max} \sim Z \cdot 10^{14}$ eV

Composition of the knee



What type of detector ?



The atmosphere as a detector



H.E.S.S.

γ

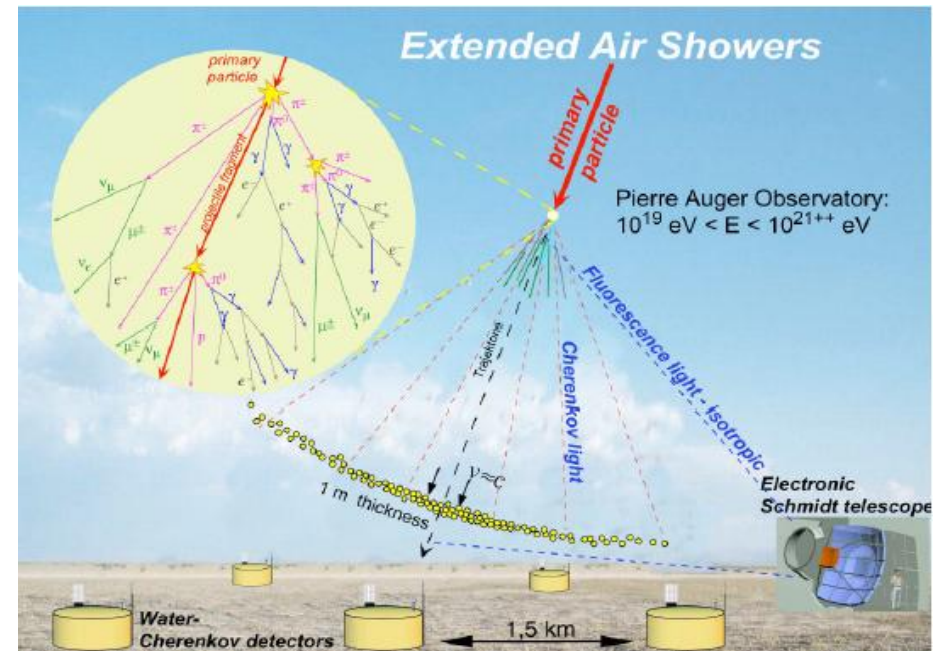


Pierre Auger Observatory

proton

Temploral aspect

- During the shower development, a thin layer of charged particle move to the ground
- A bit “curved”
- ~10m thick



Observables from the ground

- Only secondary particles of the shower reaches the ground
- Depending on the energy and the altitude:
 - Few residuals hadrons, because hadronic components quickly absorbed
 - e^{\pm} : the most numerous at the maximum of the shower
 - μ^{\pm} : reach (almost) always the grounds, very penetrating up to underground !
 - Secondary γ detected after e^+e^- conversion (Cherenkov effect in water)
- Photons emitted along the development of the shower (Cherenkov or fluorescence)
 - 3D calorimetric information
- Radio emission from the particles

Electromagnetic / hadronic Showers

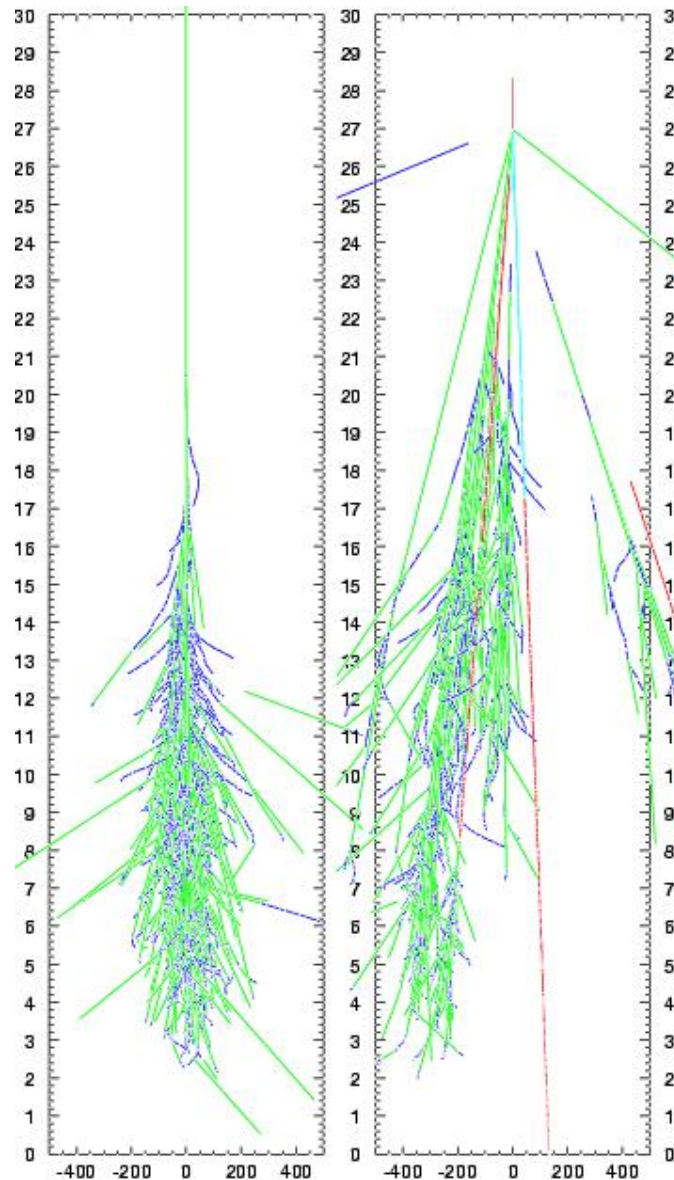
Shower from γ of
300 GeV

Symmetry of
revolution

Small transverse
momentum

Few muons

Mainly e^+e^- and γ



Shower from
proton of 300
GeV

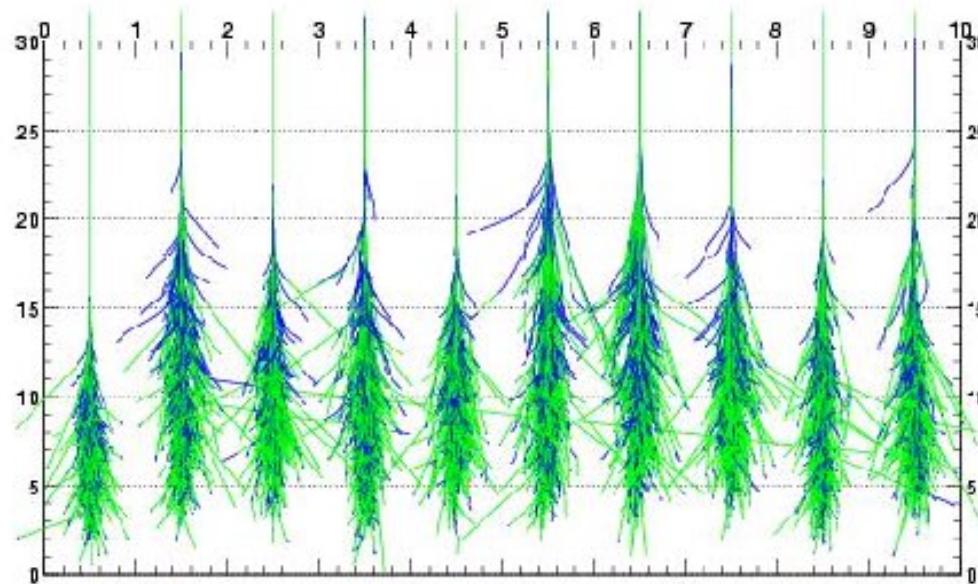
Big transverse
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Presence of
muons

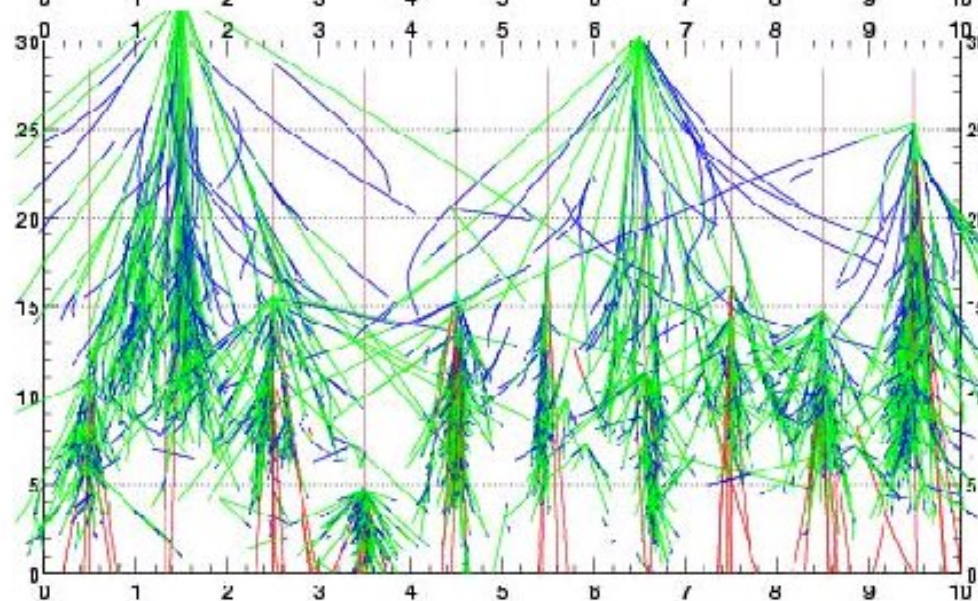
Possibility of sub-
electromagnetic
showers

Electromagnetic / hadronic Showers

10 γ of
300 GeV



10 protons
of
300 GeV



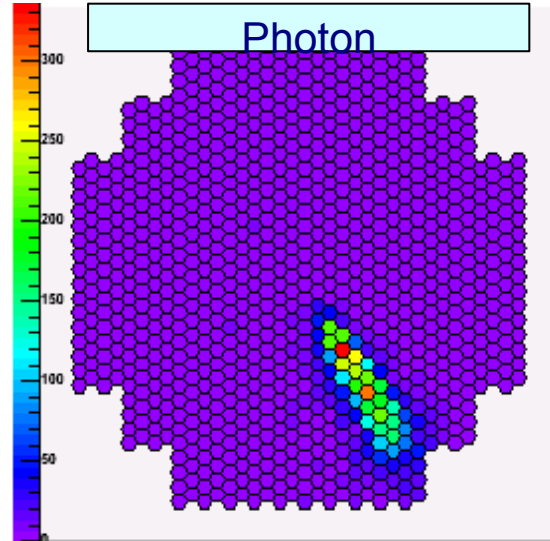
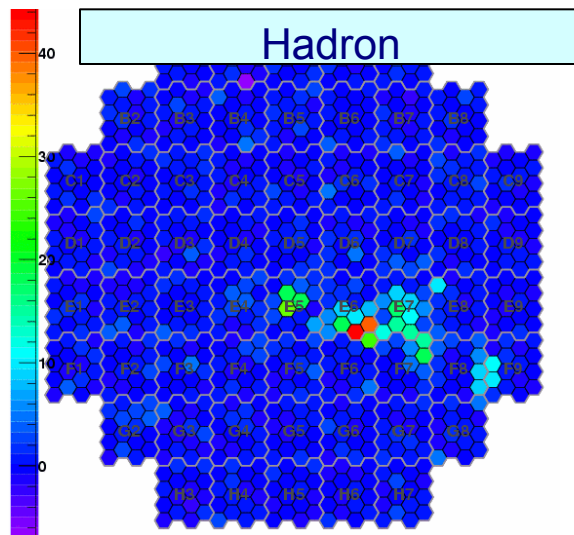
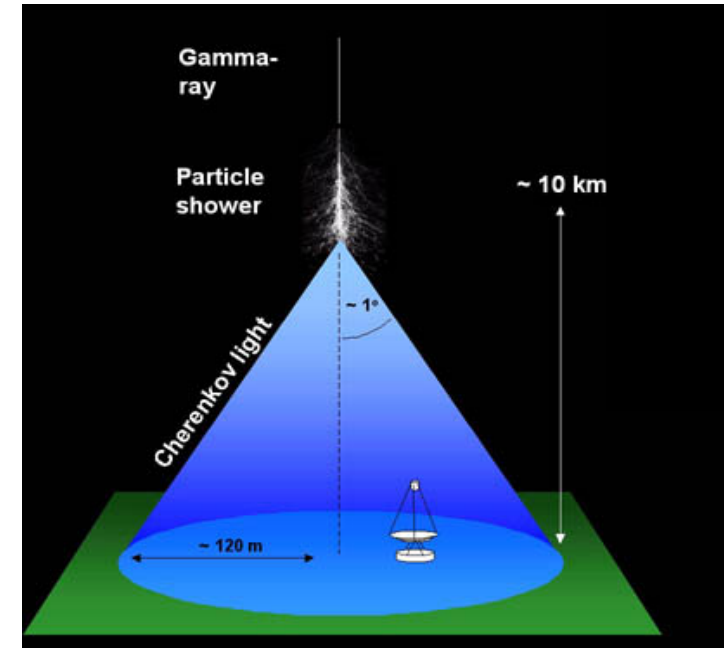
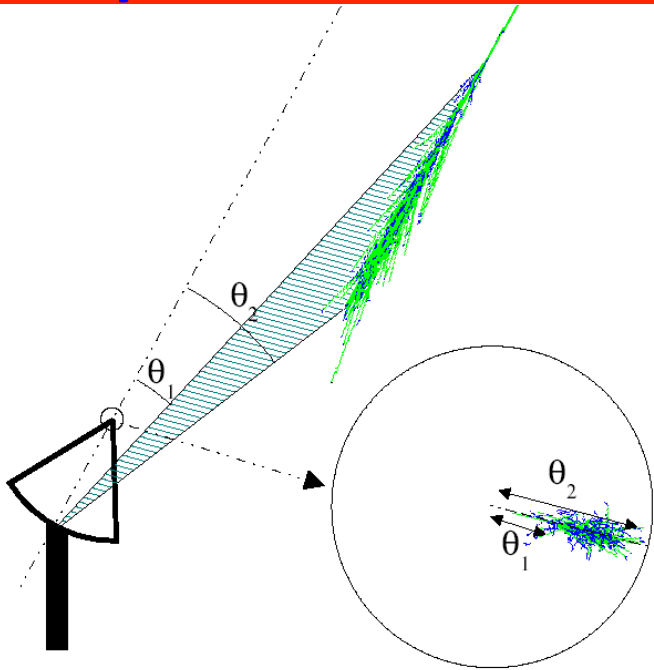
The atmosphere as a detector

- Gamma-ray astronomy > 100 GeV
 - Cherenkov experiments (HESS, MAGIC, CANGAROO, VERITAS)
 - Wide field of view experiments (MILAGRO, TIBET-ARGO)
- Ultra High Energy Cosmic Ray Experiment
 - An hybride detector (Pierre Auger Observatory)

The atmosphere as a detector

- Atmospheric Cherenkov telescope
 - Limited field of view (5° for H.E.S.S.)
 - Follow the travel of the source in the sky
 - Can work only during night time, no moon and good weather
 - High discrimination power between gamma and hadron
- Surface detectors (secondary particles on the ground)
 - Large field of view (~ 1 sr)
 - High working time
 - Low discrimination

Atmospheric Cherenkov telescope



Cherenkov telescopes



MAGIC 2:

2 telescopes

Ø 17m (3.5°)

$E > 60$ GeV



Veritas:

4 telescopes

Ø 12m (3.5°)

$E > 85$ GeV



H.E.S.S. 2:

4 telescopes +1

Ø 13m (5°) + Ø 28m

$E > 20$ GeV

Camera properties

First VERITAS Camera



**499 pixels; 0.15 degree diameter
3.5 degree FoV**

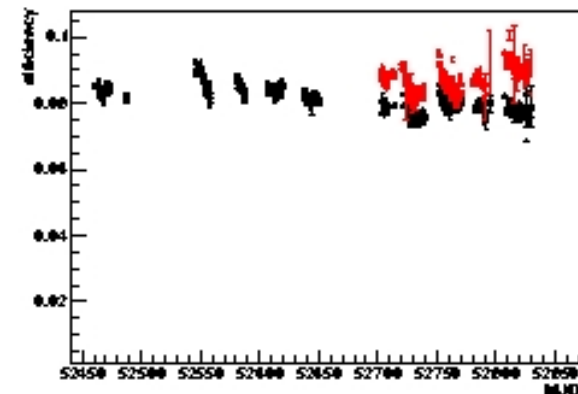
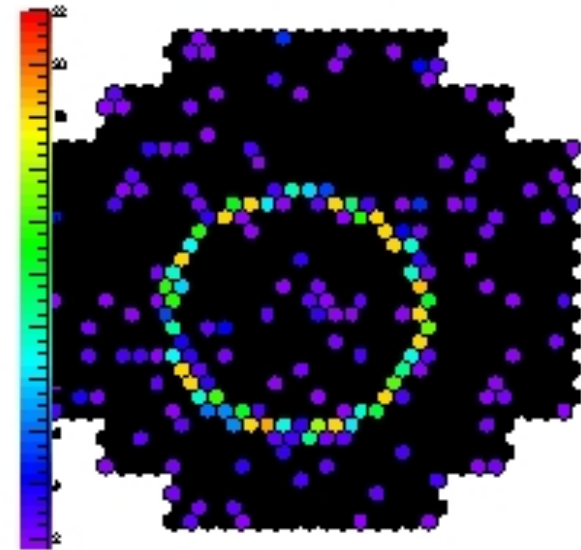
VERITAS



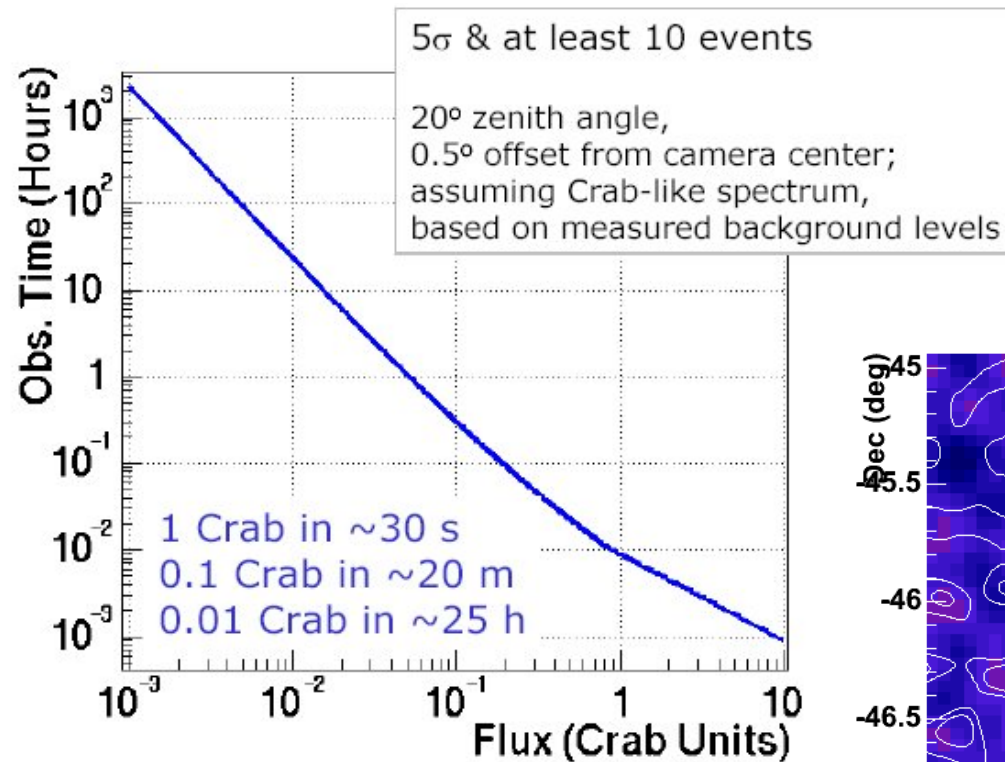
MAGIC

Muons for monitoring the detector

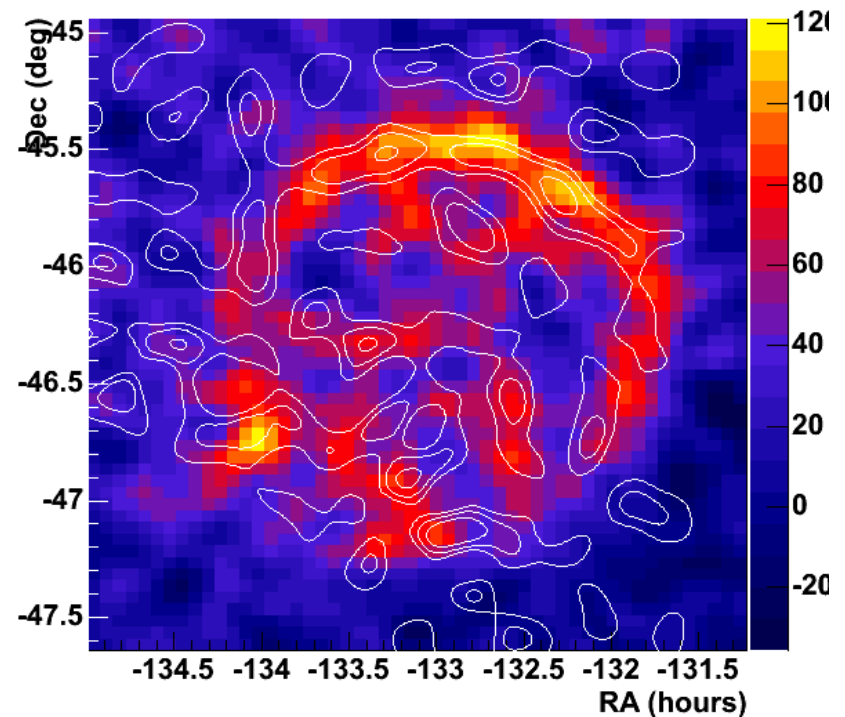
- Muons falling on the miroir of a telescope create an **annulus**, its equation is perfectly known
- Comparaison with real signal gives the **global efficiency** including :
 - absorption in the atmosphere
 - Reflectivity of miroirs
 - Quantum efficiencies of PMTs
- **The evolution of the detector** as function of the time is automatically taken into account in the analysis.



Sensitivity to gamma sources



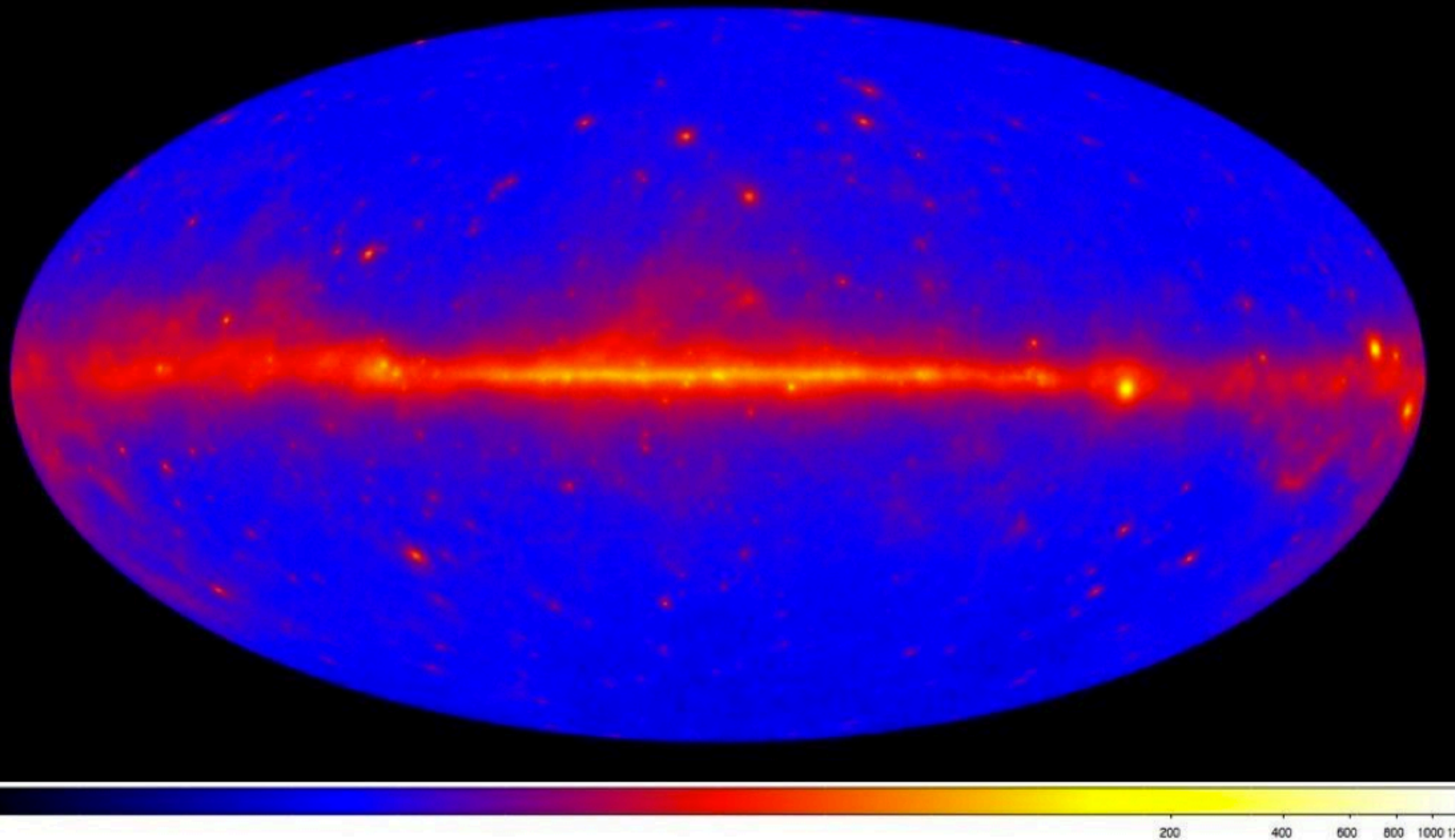
Large sources:
Vela Junior
(diameter 2°)



- > 100 sources in 2012
- 6 in 2003

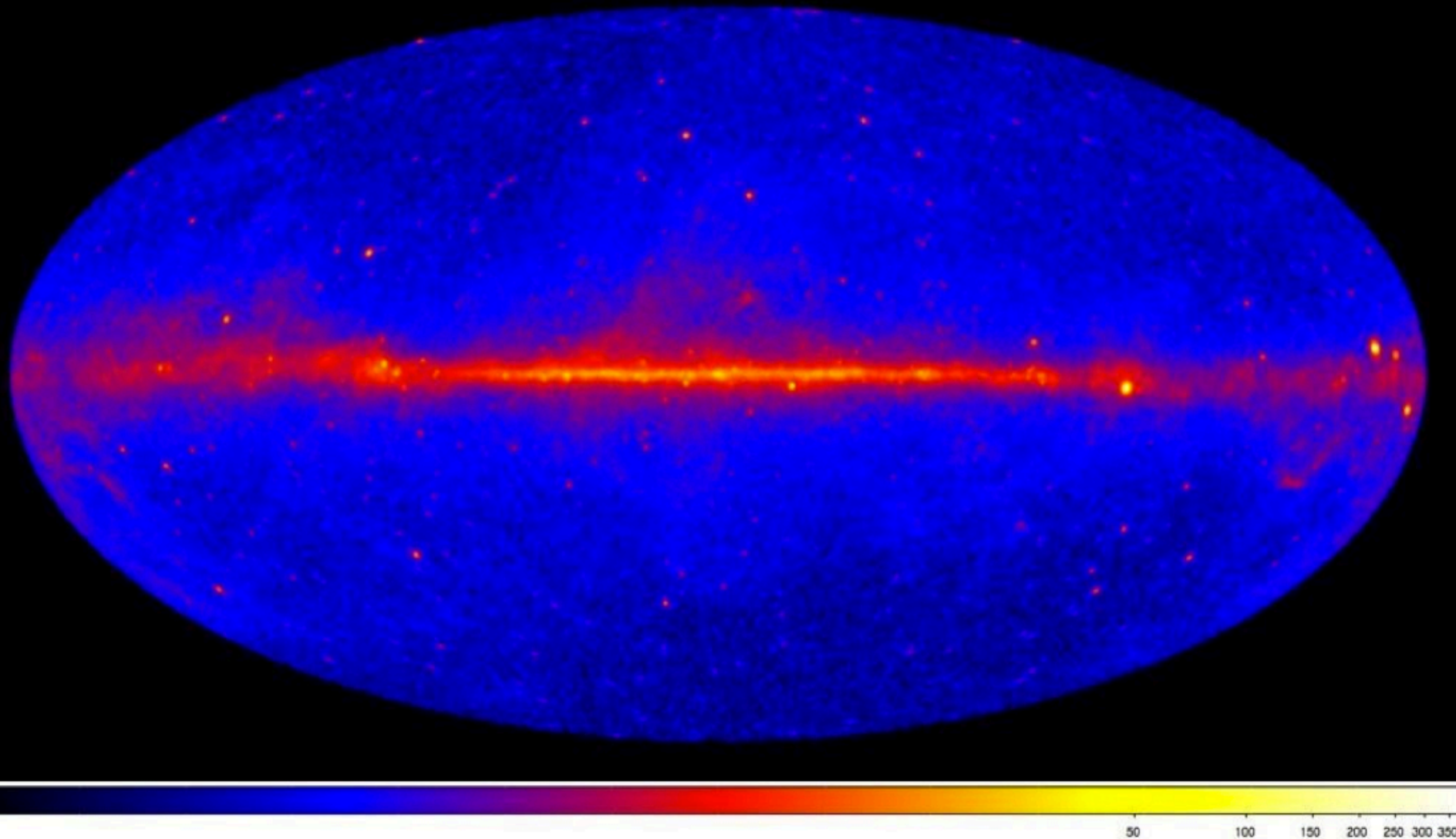
Fermi LAT > 100 MeV

□ 3×10^7 photons, $\langle E \rangle = 800$ MeV, $\Delta E/E = 100\%$



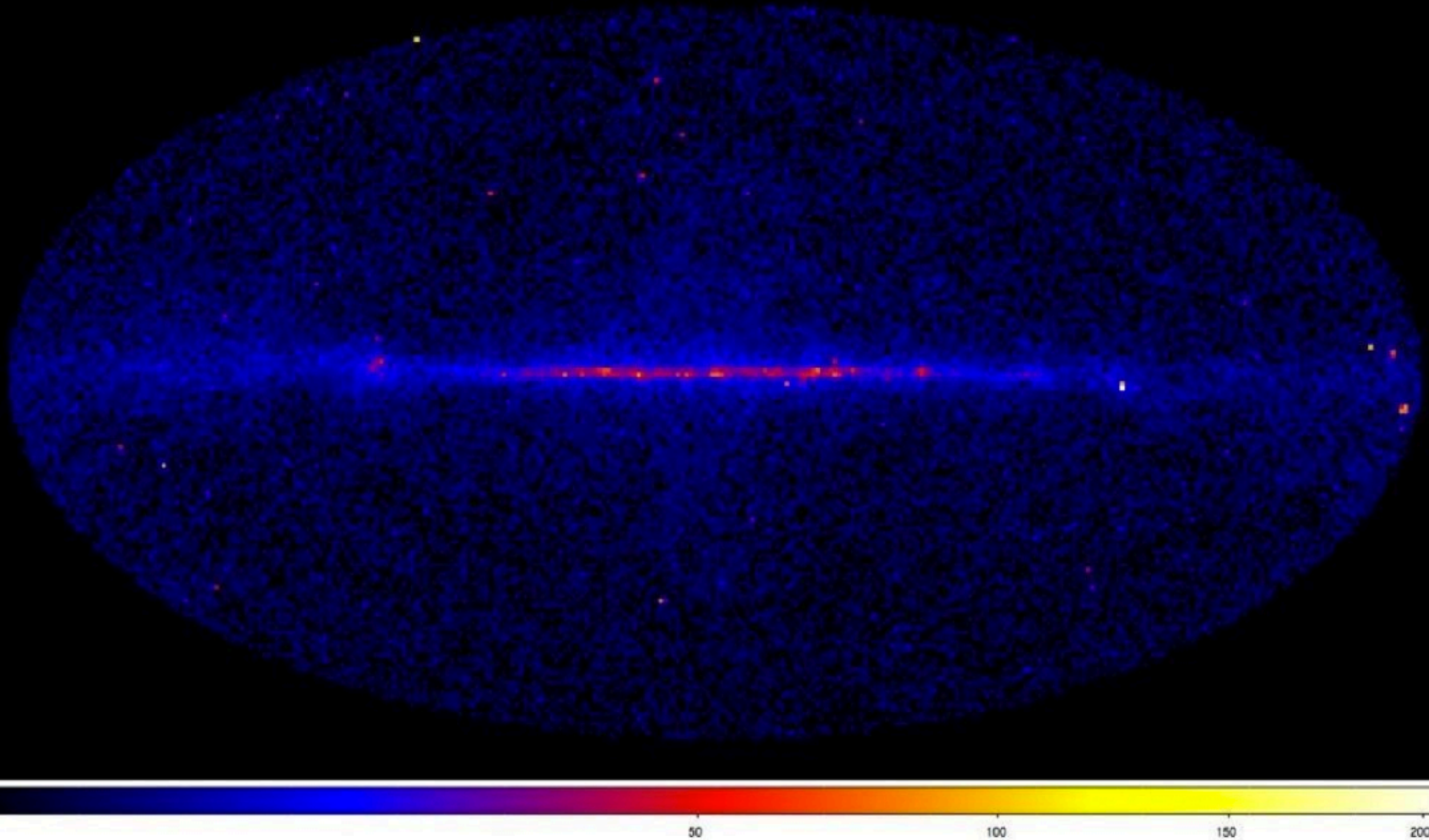
Fermi LAT > 1 GeV

□ 2×10^6 photons, $\langle E \rangle = 3$ GeV, $\Delta E/E = 17\%$



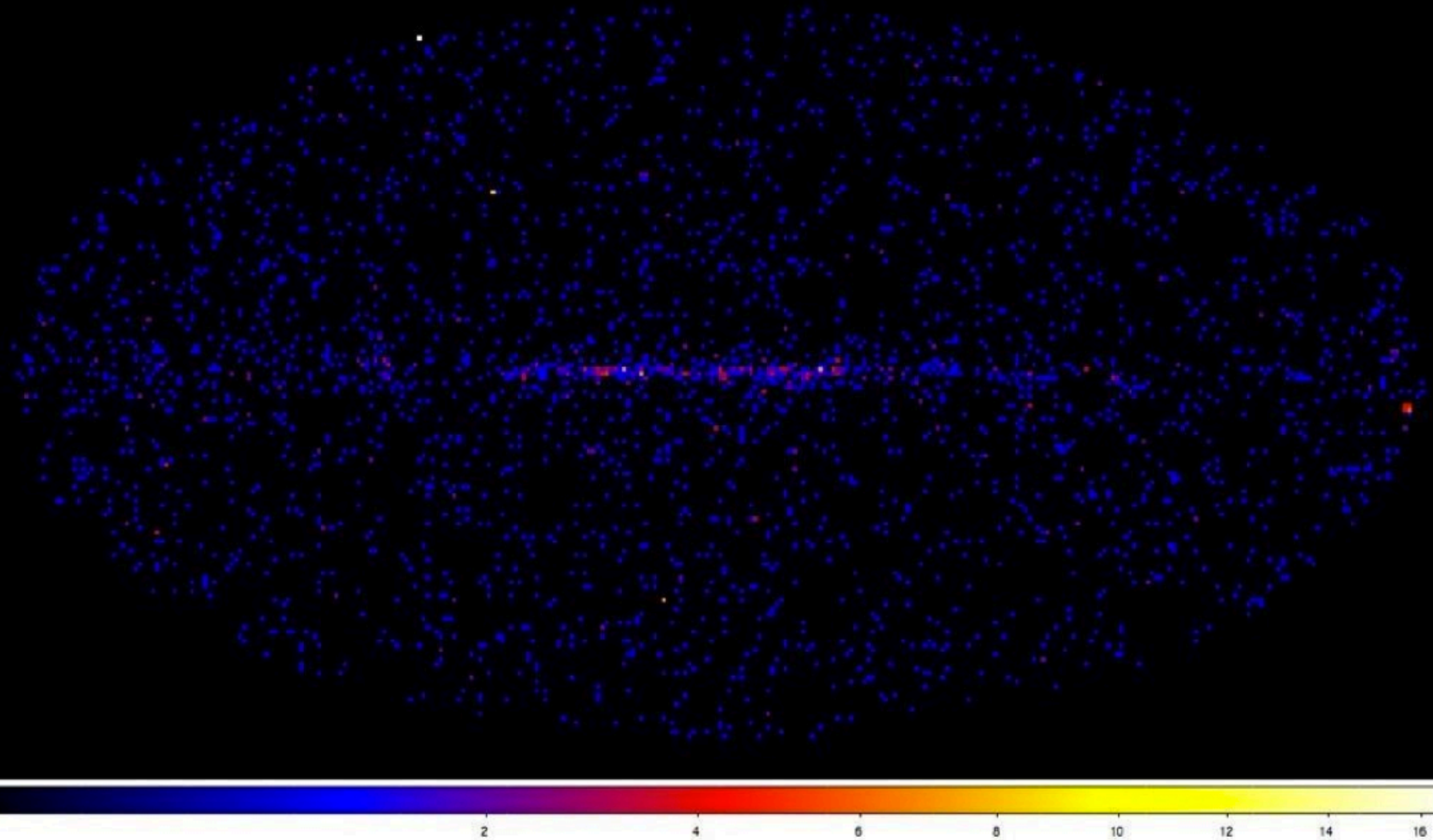
Fermi LAT > 10 GeV

□ 7×10^4 photons, $\langle E \rangle = 30$ GeV, $\Delta E/E = 0,6 \%$

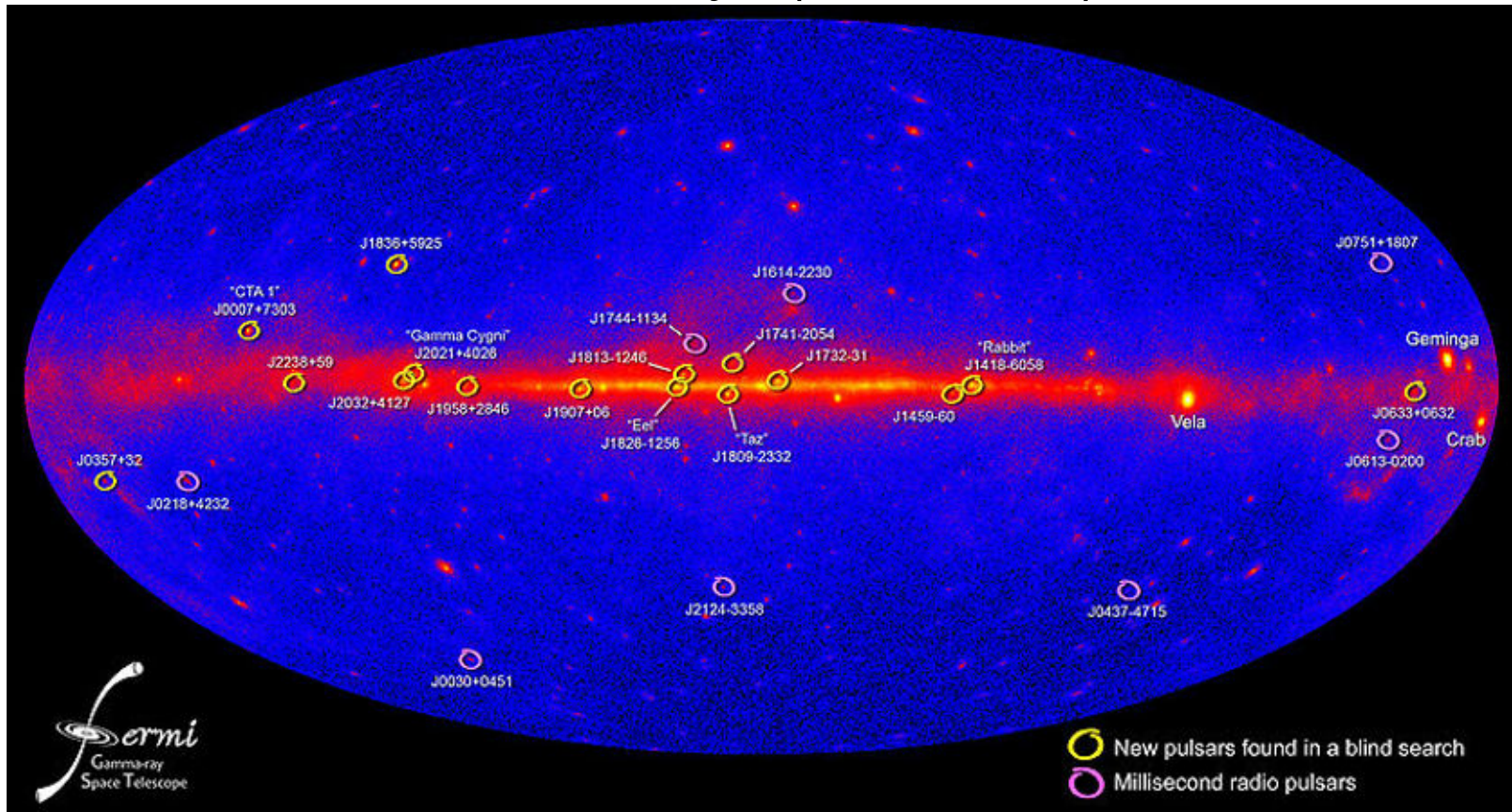


Fermi LAT > 100 GeV

□ 3×10^3 photons, $\langle E \rangle = 150$ GeV, $\Delta E/E = 0,02$ %

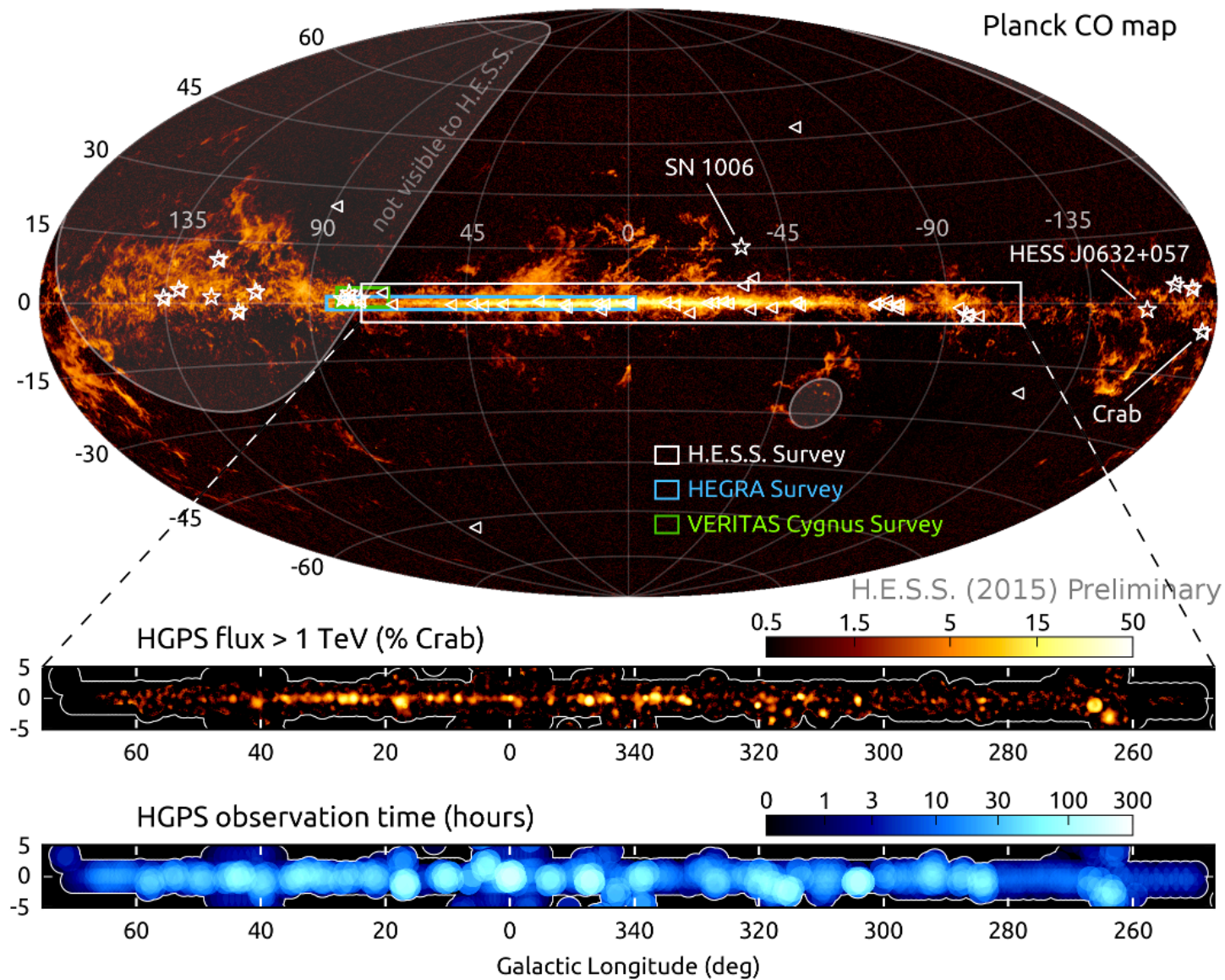


High Energy Sky Gamma rays (>100 MeV)



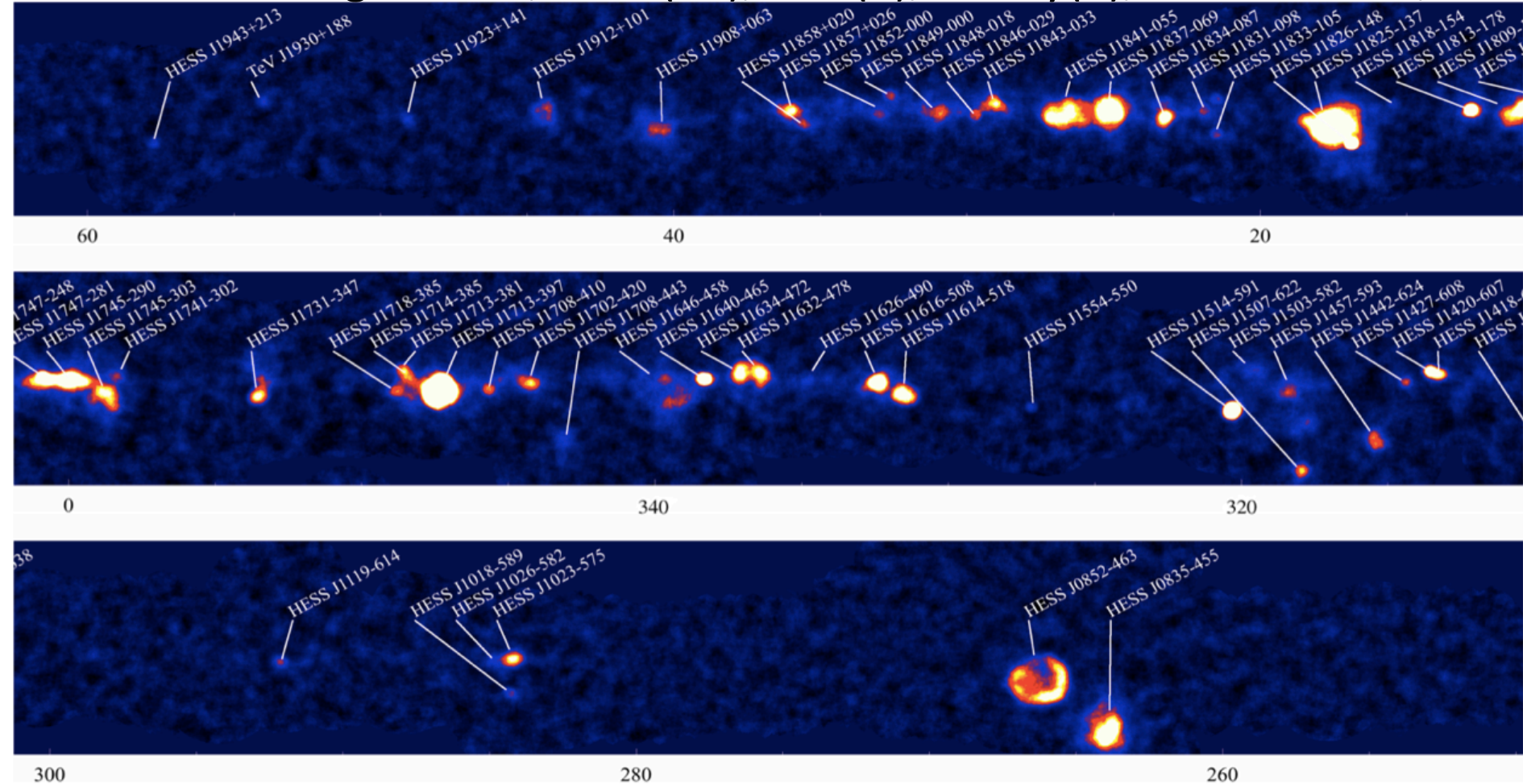
The gamma emission is due to collision between cosmic rays (atoms and relativistic particles) and interstellar clouds, to bremsstrahlung and inverse Compton process

H.E.S.S. Galactic Plan Survey



H.E.S.S. Galactic Plan Survey

- Inner part of the Galaxy, 1400 h of data + dedicated pointing on 56 sources
- Molecular gas scale, PWN(29), SNR(9), binary(3), Dark sources,...



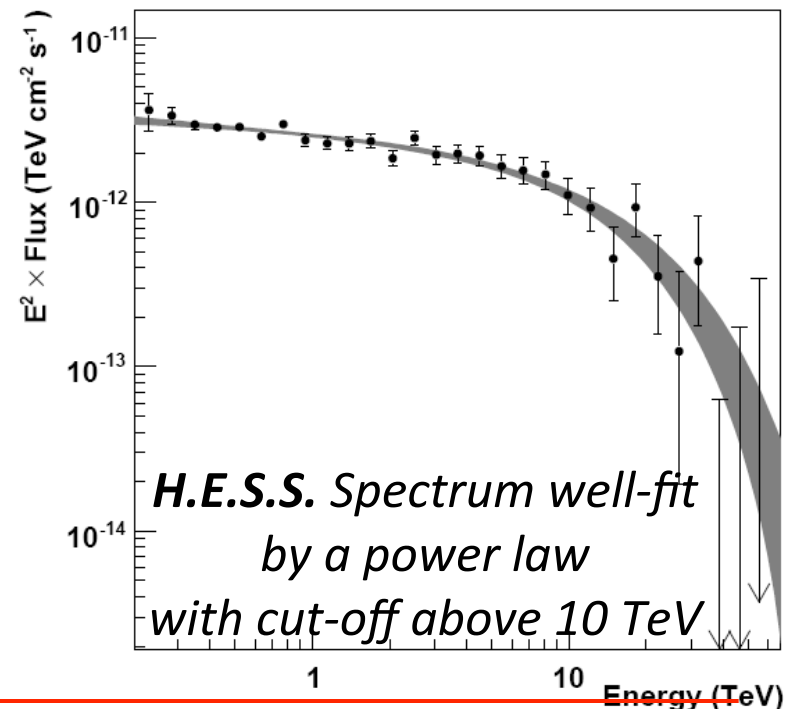
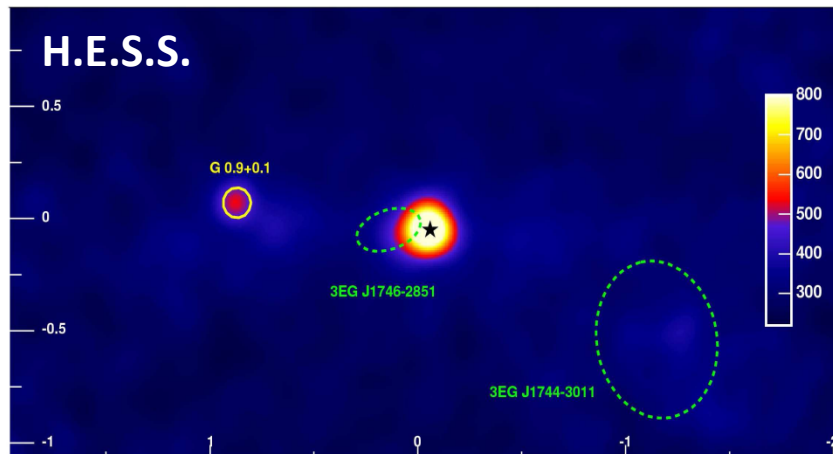
The Galactic Center

In principle the best option :

- Very near, and high DM concentration expected
→ Flux should be high.
- HESS and MAGIC reported a point-like source
a very massive neutralino, not compatible with WMAP cosmology.

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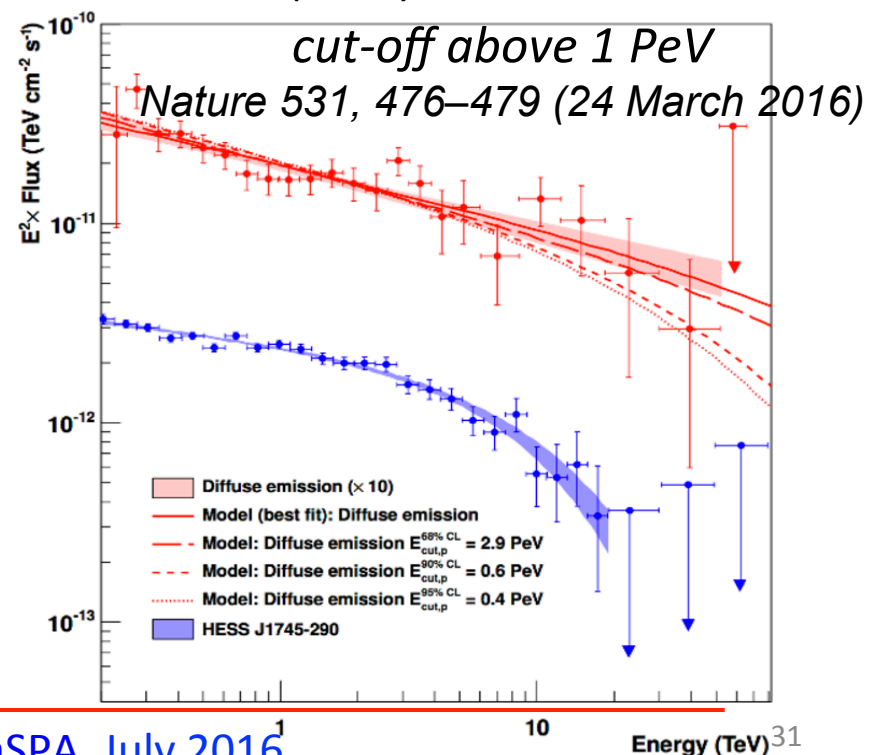
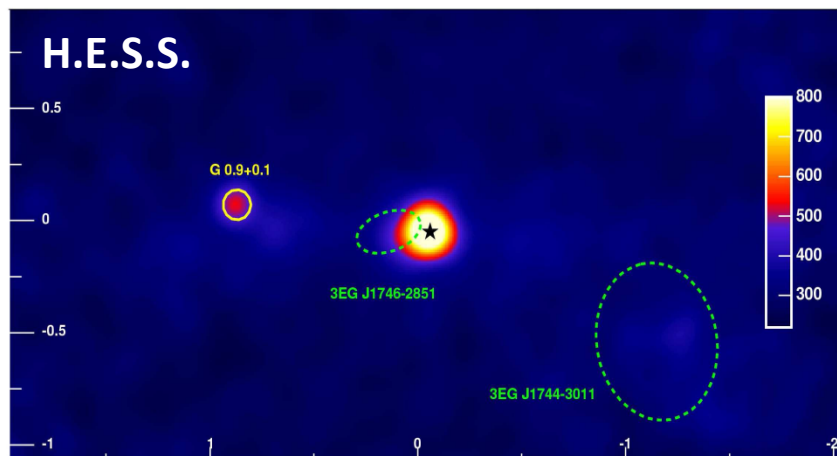
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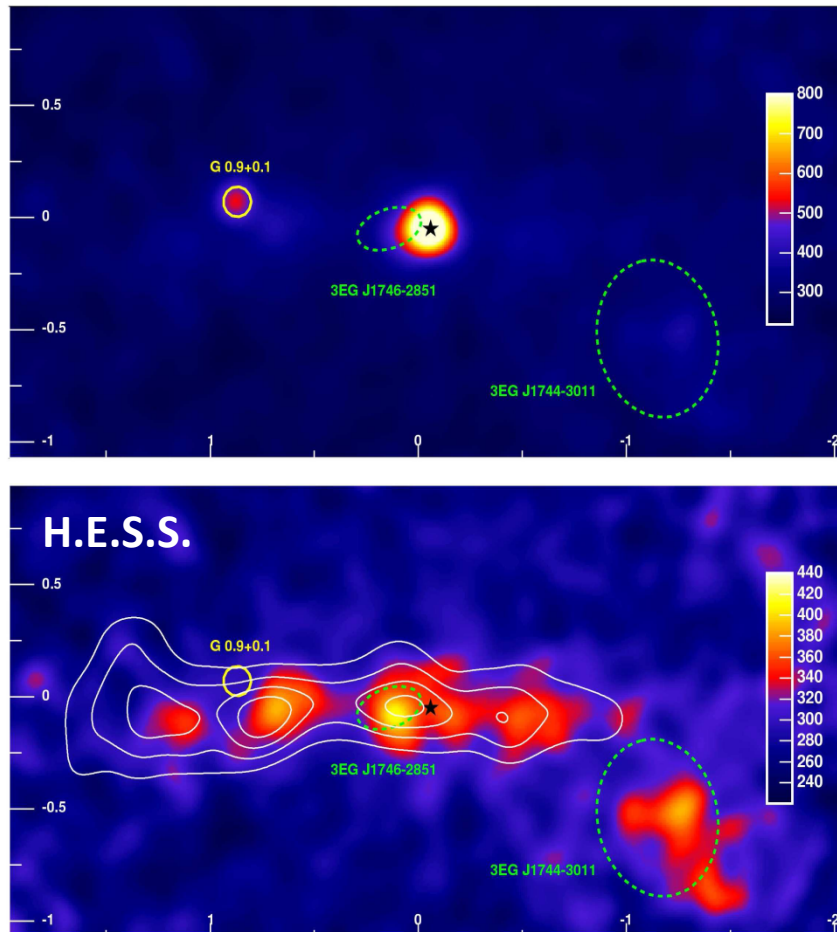
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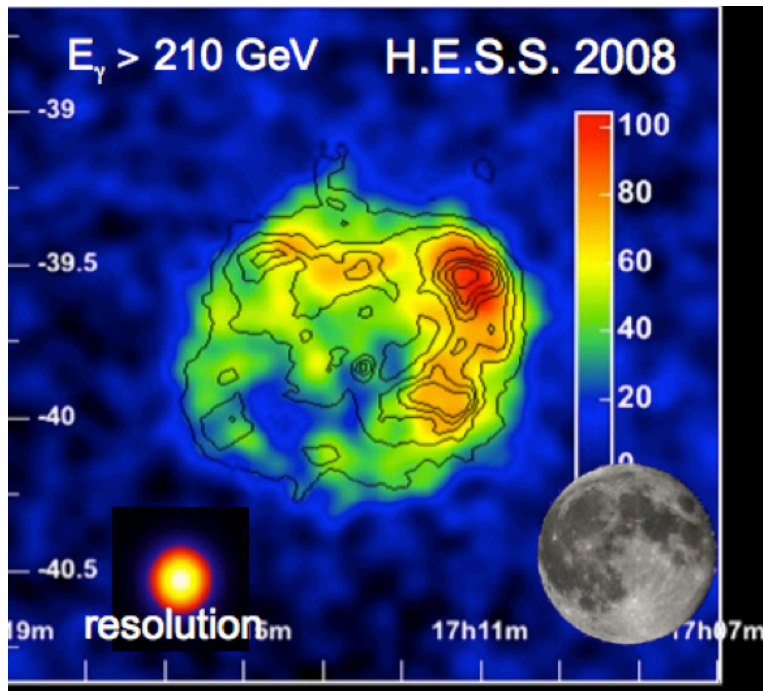
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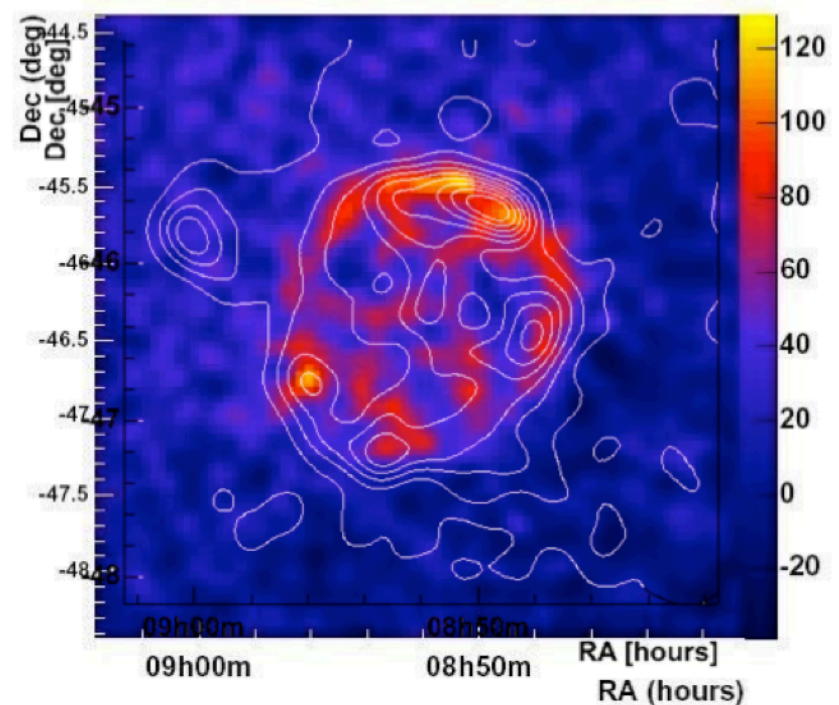
Later on an extended emission
was discovered,
but associated to the galactic plane
and molecular clouds.

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Supernovae remanent



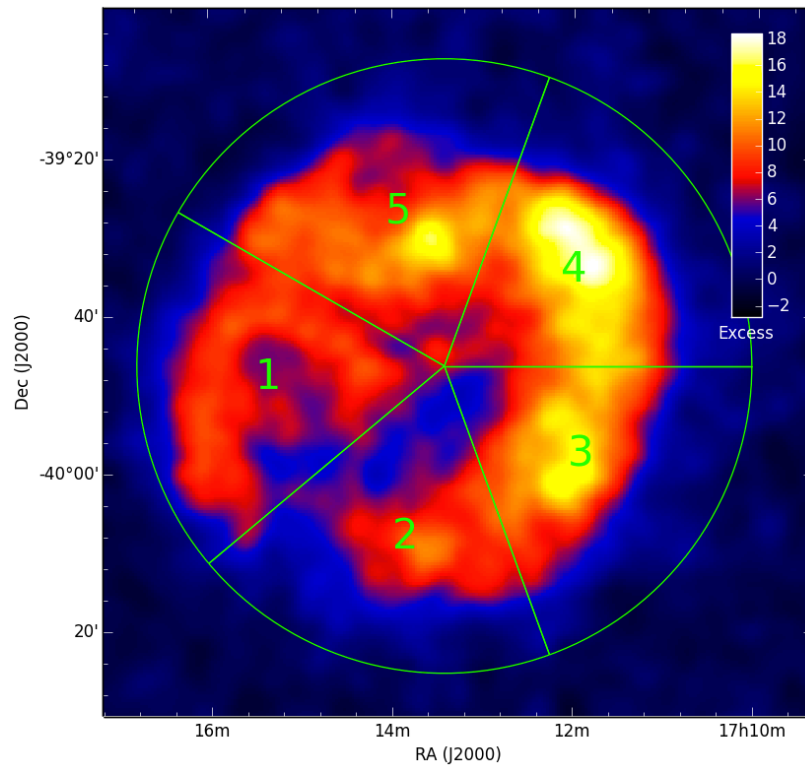
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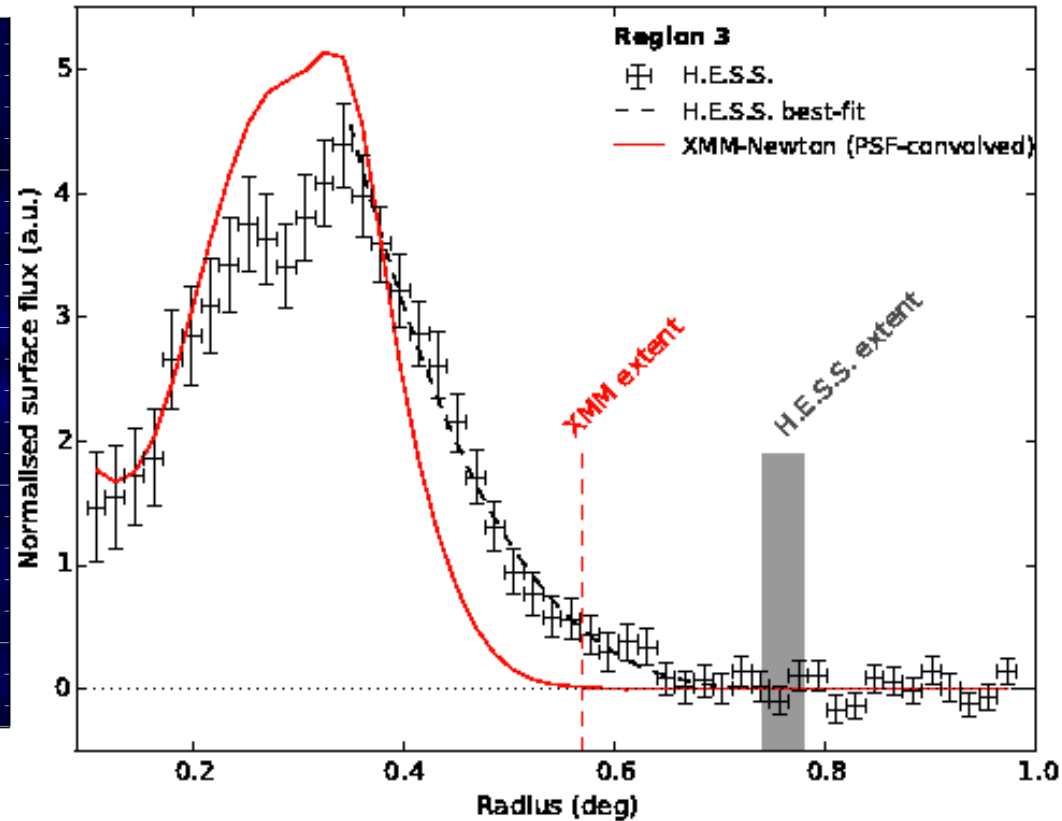
RX J0852.0-4622

- Striking correlation between X-ray and γ -ray emission
- SNRs are proved to accelerated particles up to 100 TeV
- Type of particle unknown

Supernovae remanent



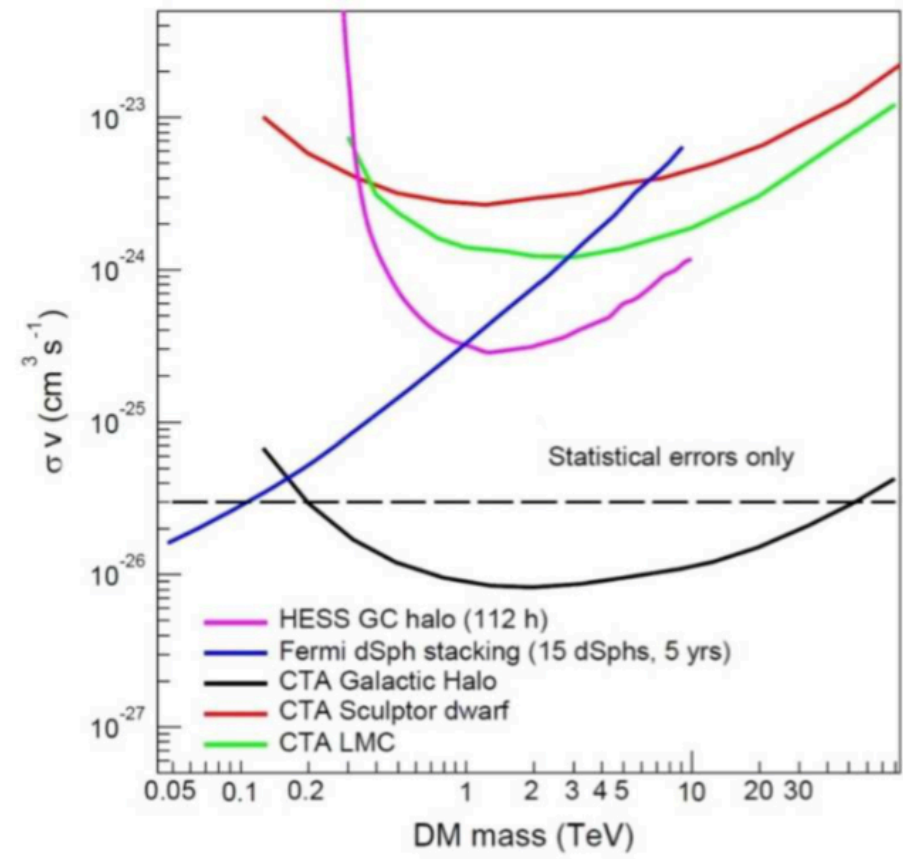
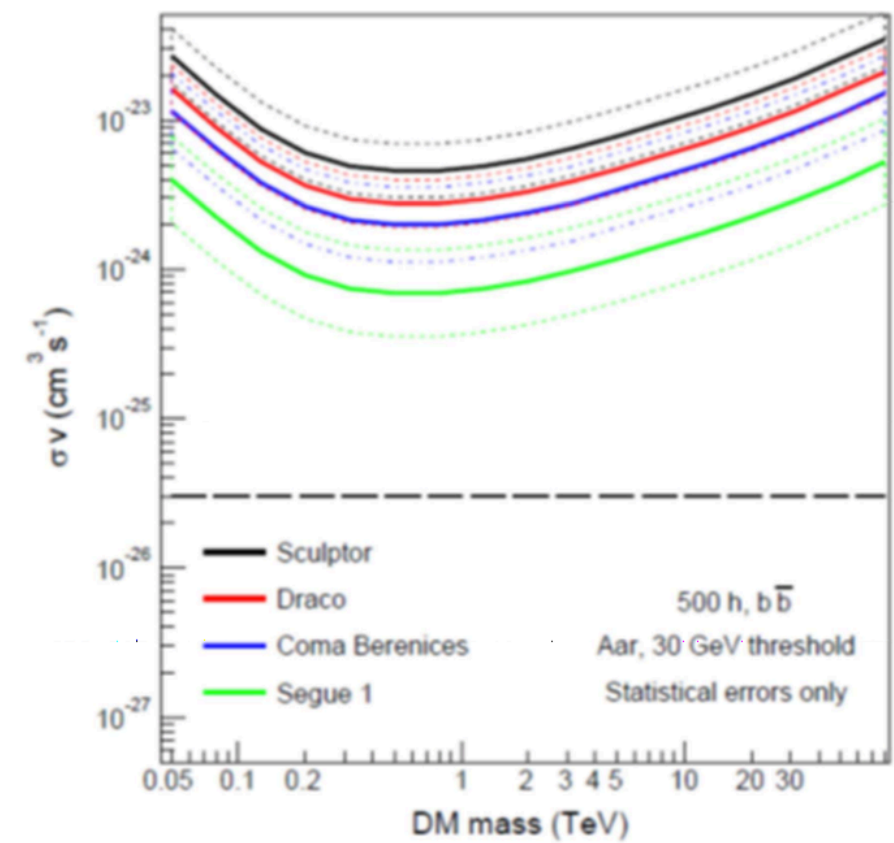
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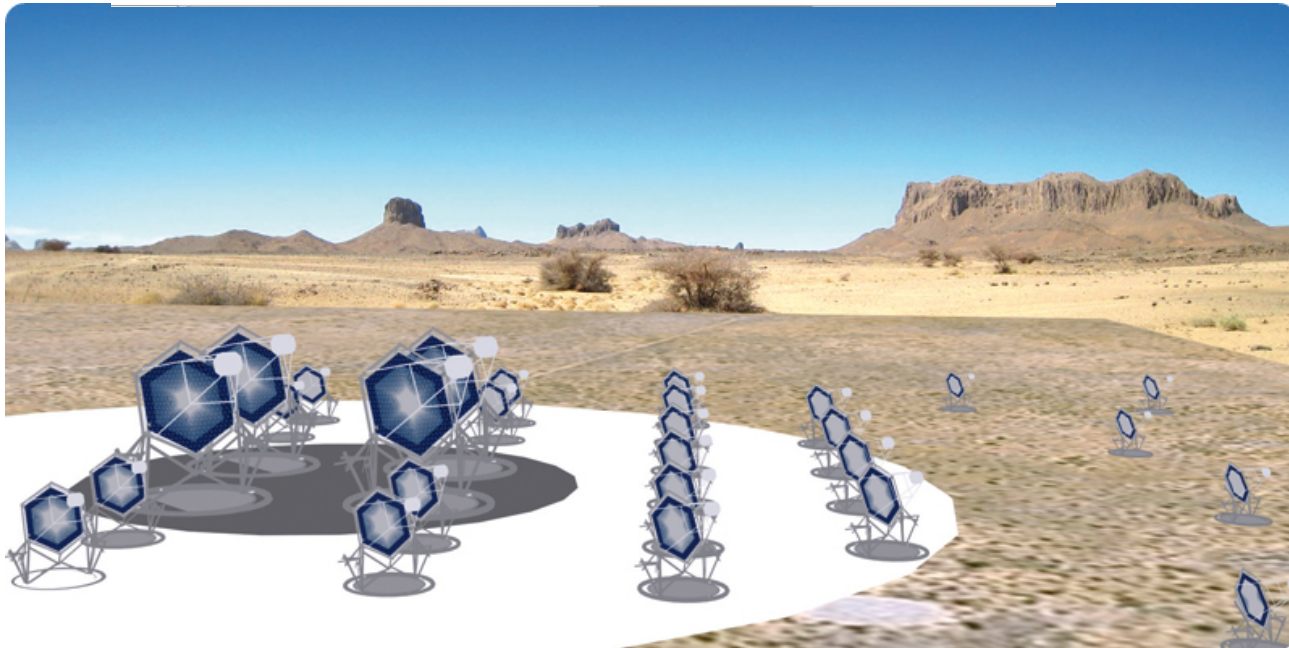
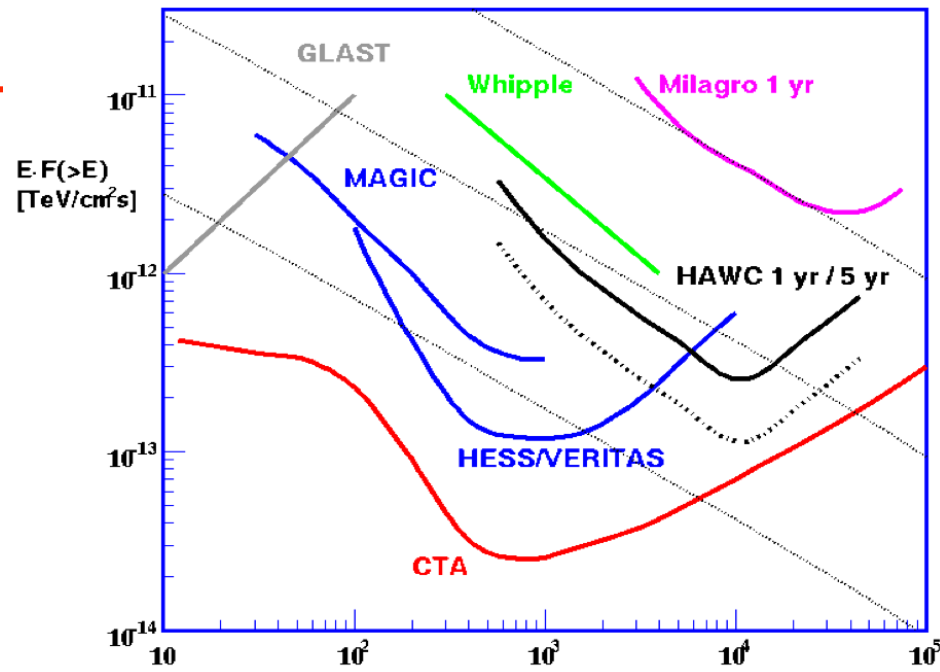


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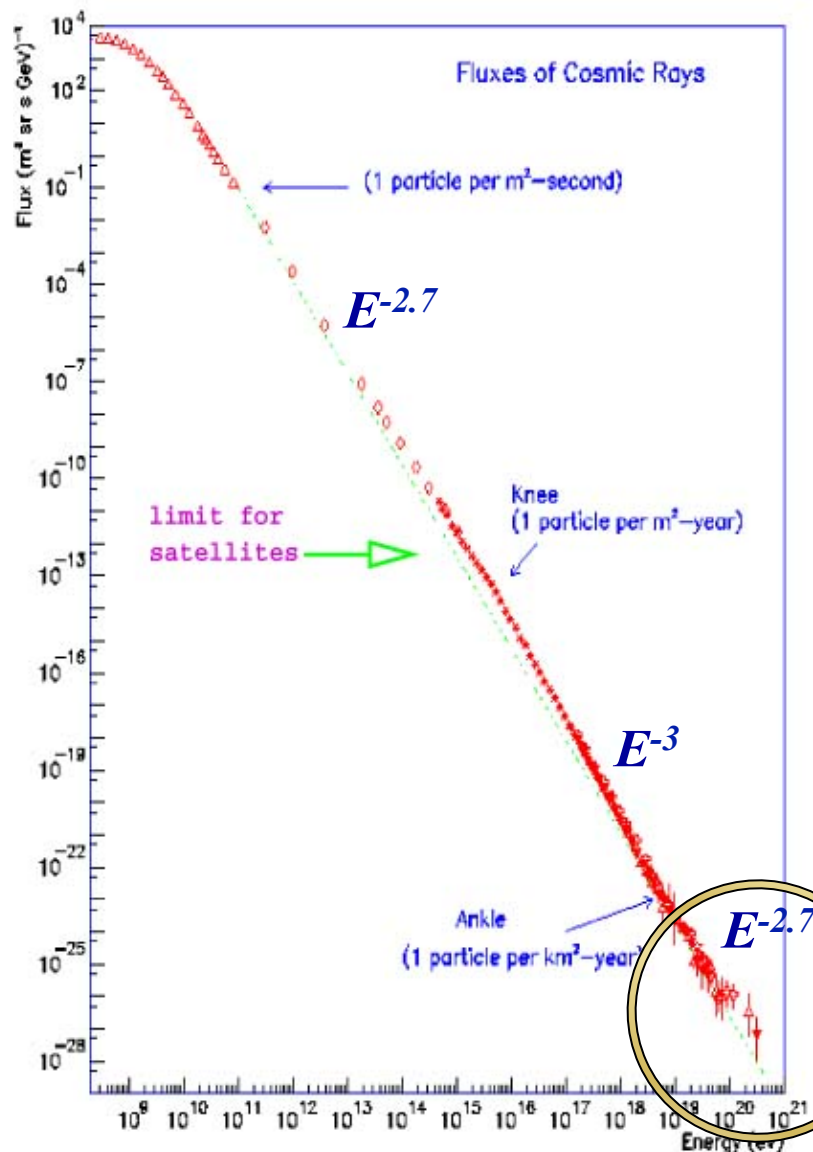
- diffusion of particles outside the shell
- escape of high energy particles, most likely of hadronic origin

Indirect Dark matter searches





The Ankle



Galactic CR :
Supernovae, MIS,
but no source pointing!

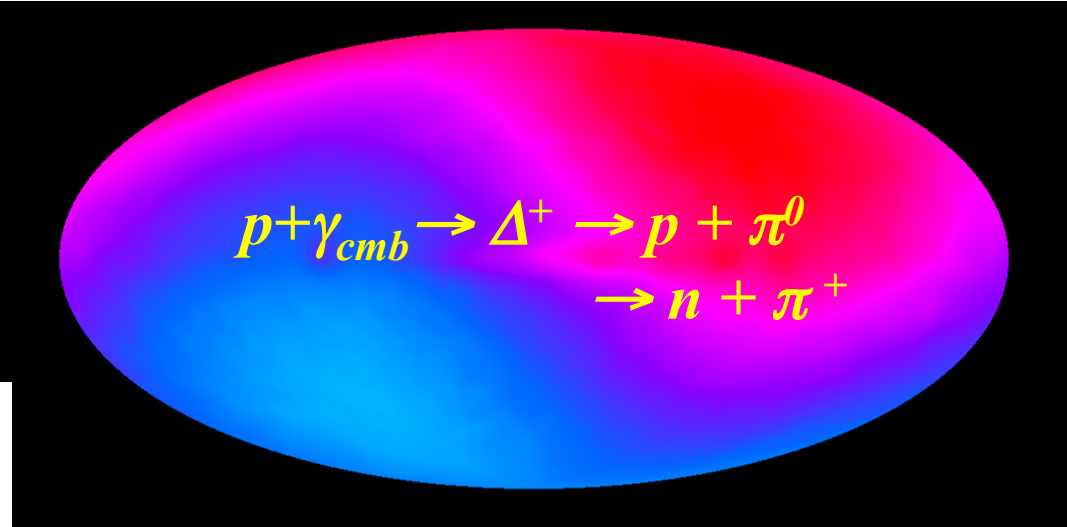
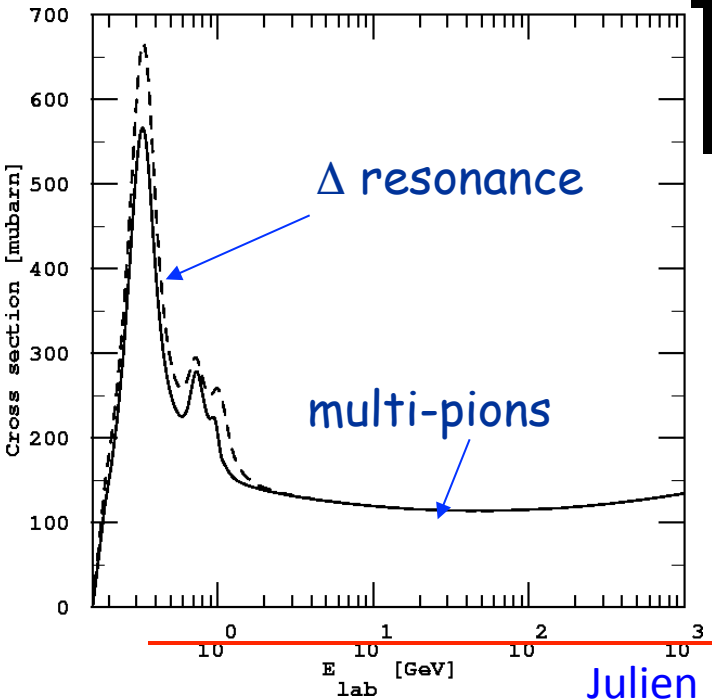
Galactic ?
SuperNovae? Superbubbles?
reacceleration?
Heavier nuclei \rightarrow protons ?

Extragalactic ?
source ?, composition ?

UHECR, terra incognita

GZK Cutoff

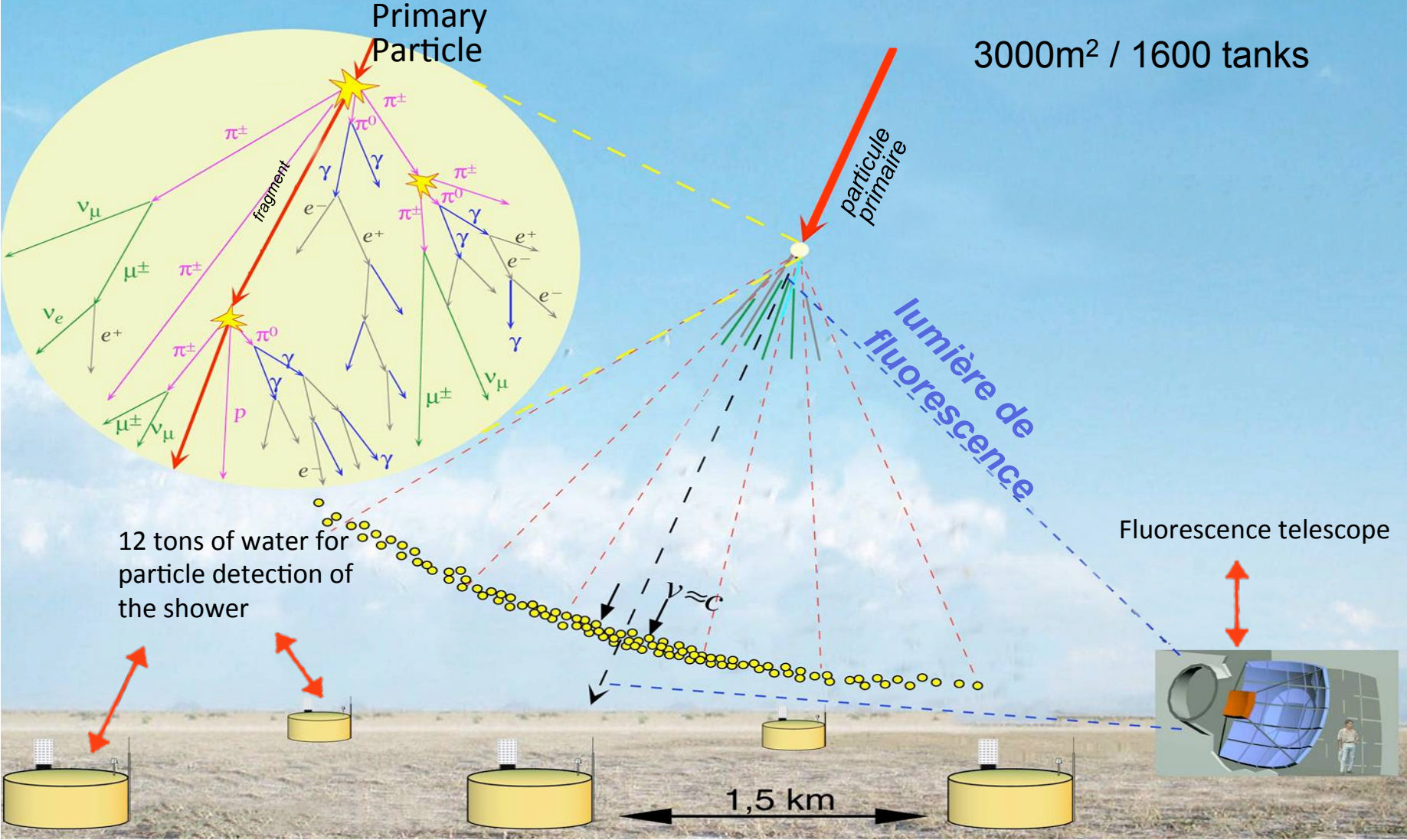
An extrem case of relativistic kinematics !!!



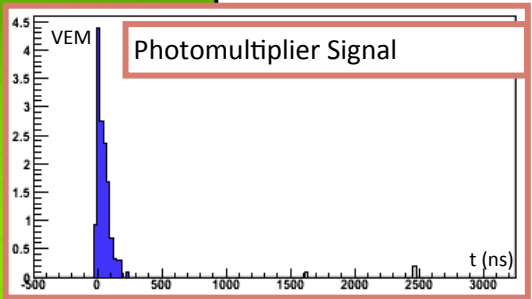
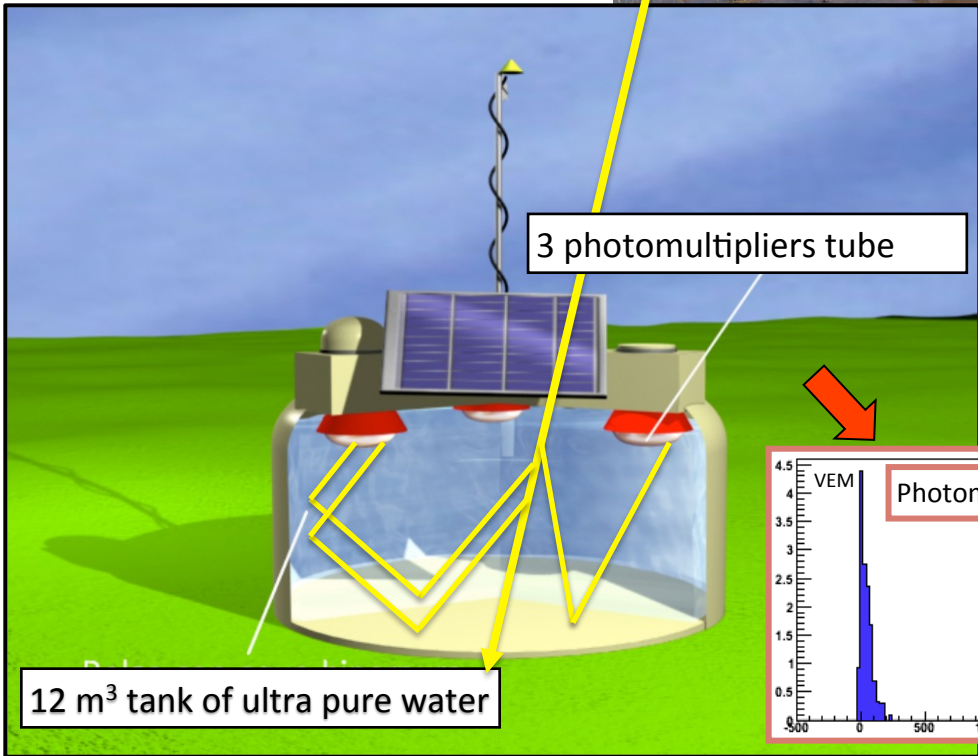
GZK
"cutoff"

Greisen '66, Zatsepin & Kuzmin '66

Pierre Auger Observatory



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Map

Satellite

Parc naturel
régional du
Haut-Jura

E62

Thonon-les-Bains

Evian-les-Bains
Les Cornettes
de Bise

Oyonnax

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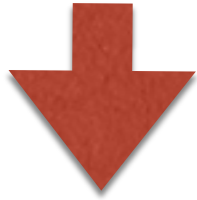
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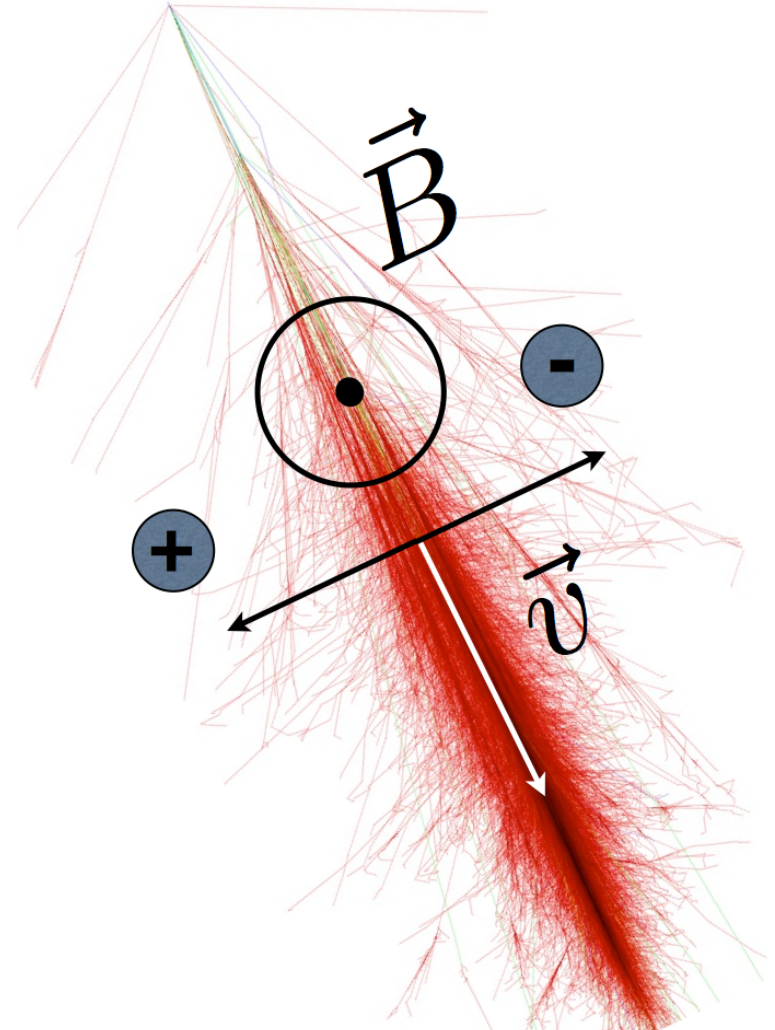
Radio detection of showers

Charges moving



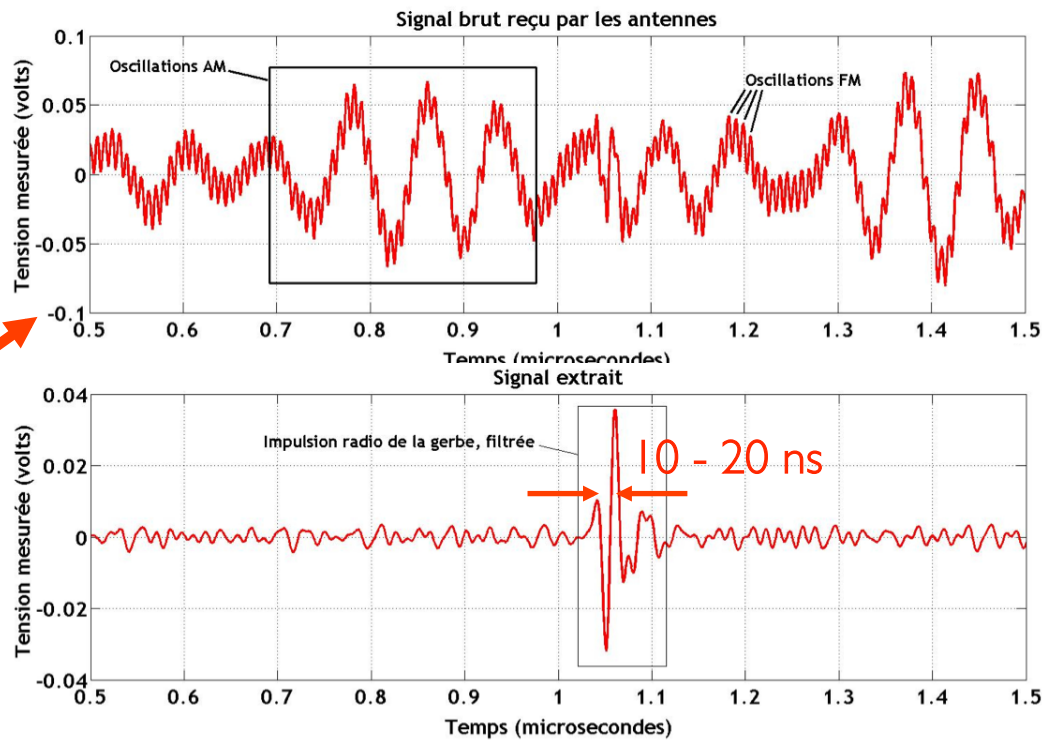
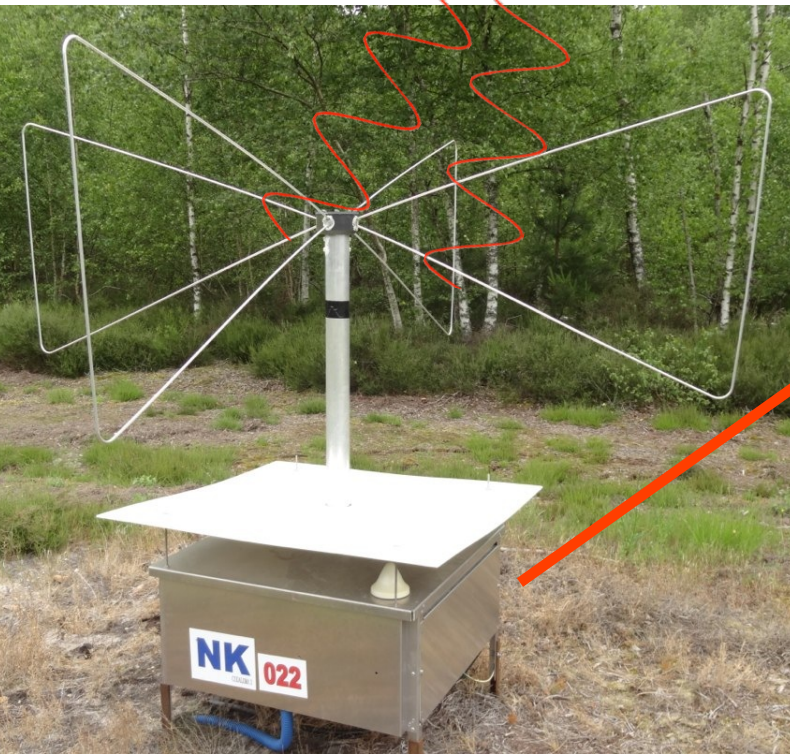
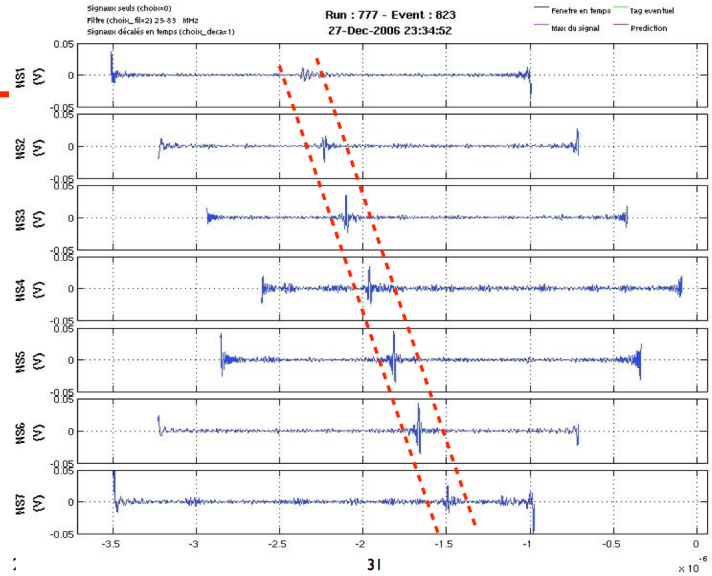
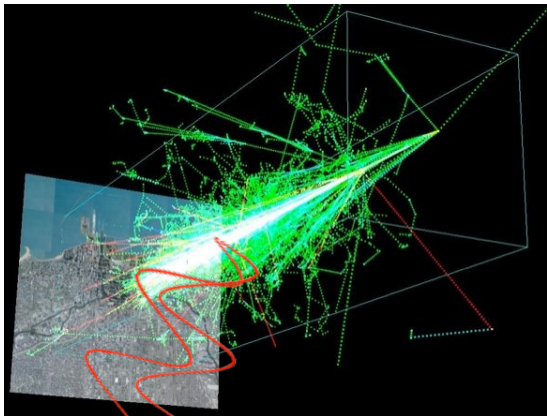
Electromagnetic waves

- The whole signal is visible
- Sensitive to the energy
- High observation time
- Low cost

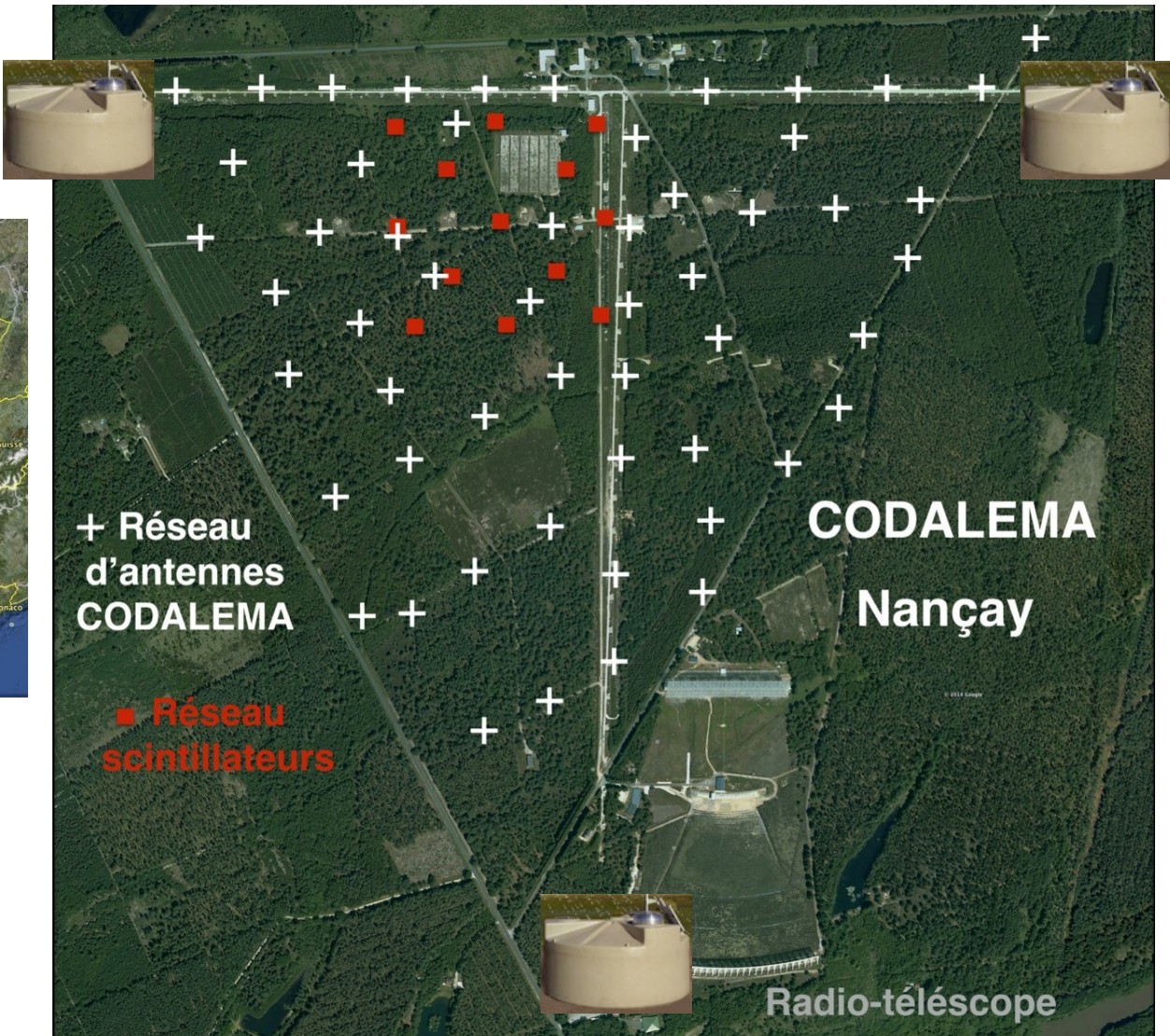


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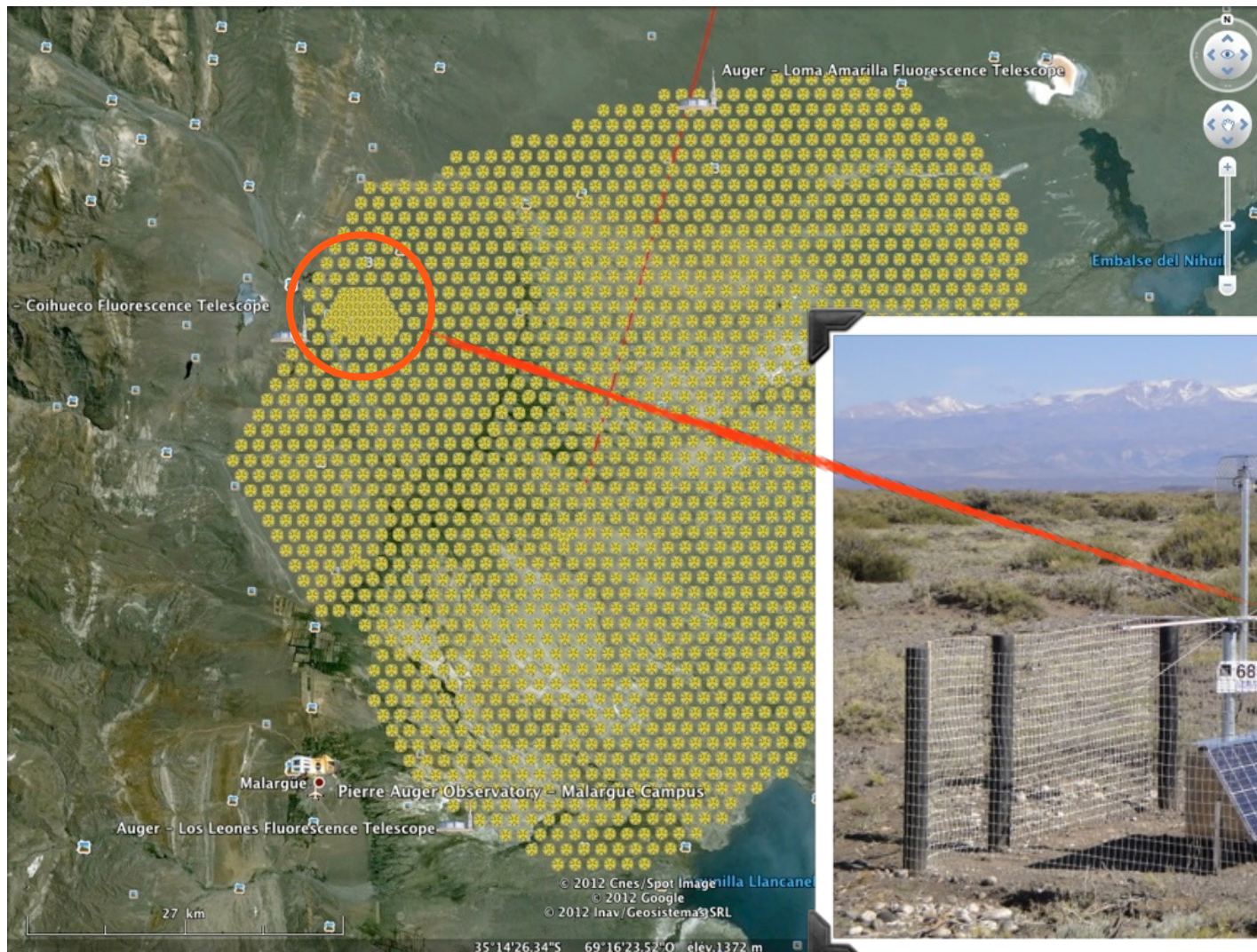
Principle



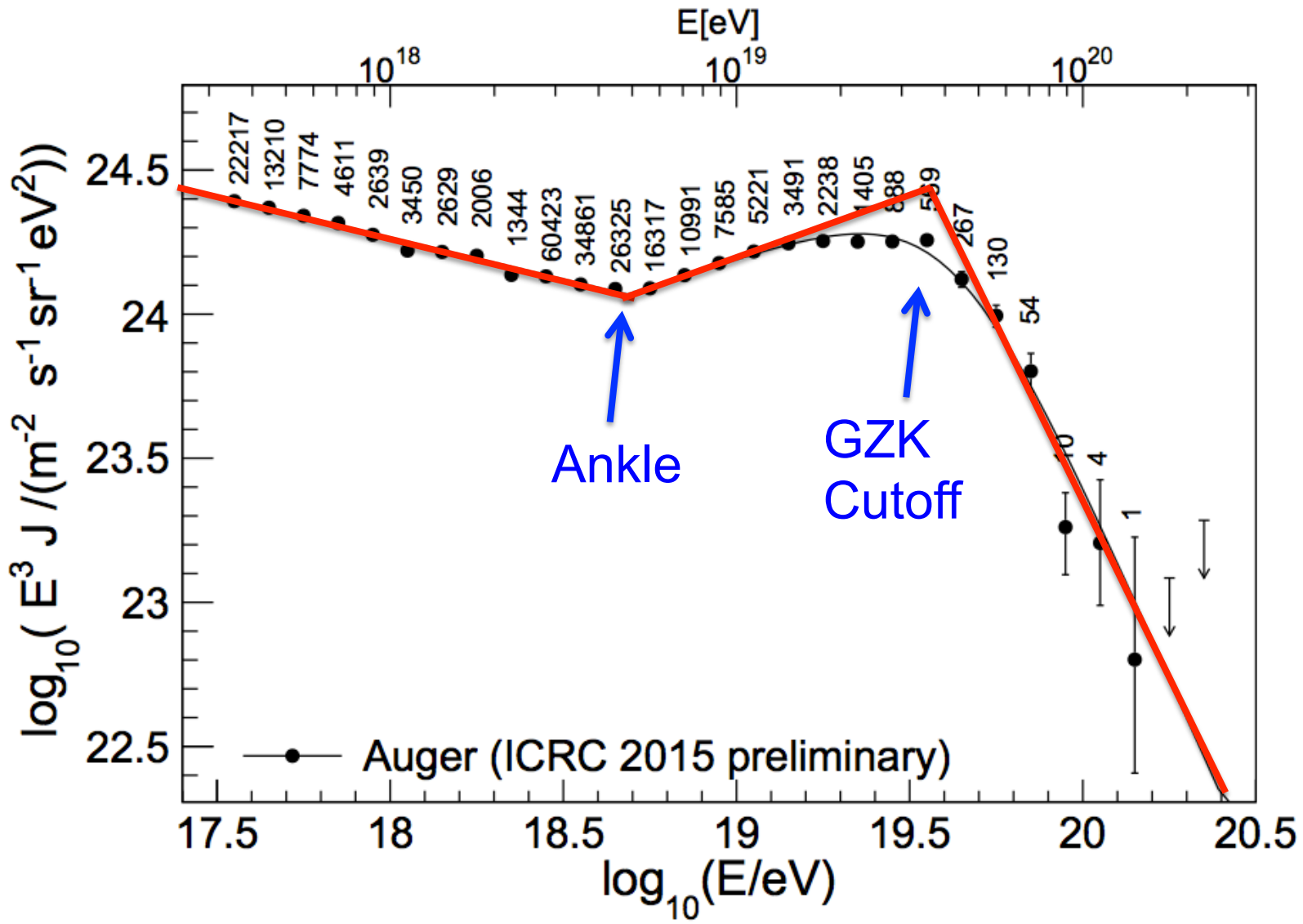
Observatory of
radioastronomy of
Nançay (Cher)



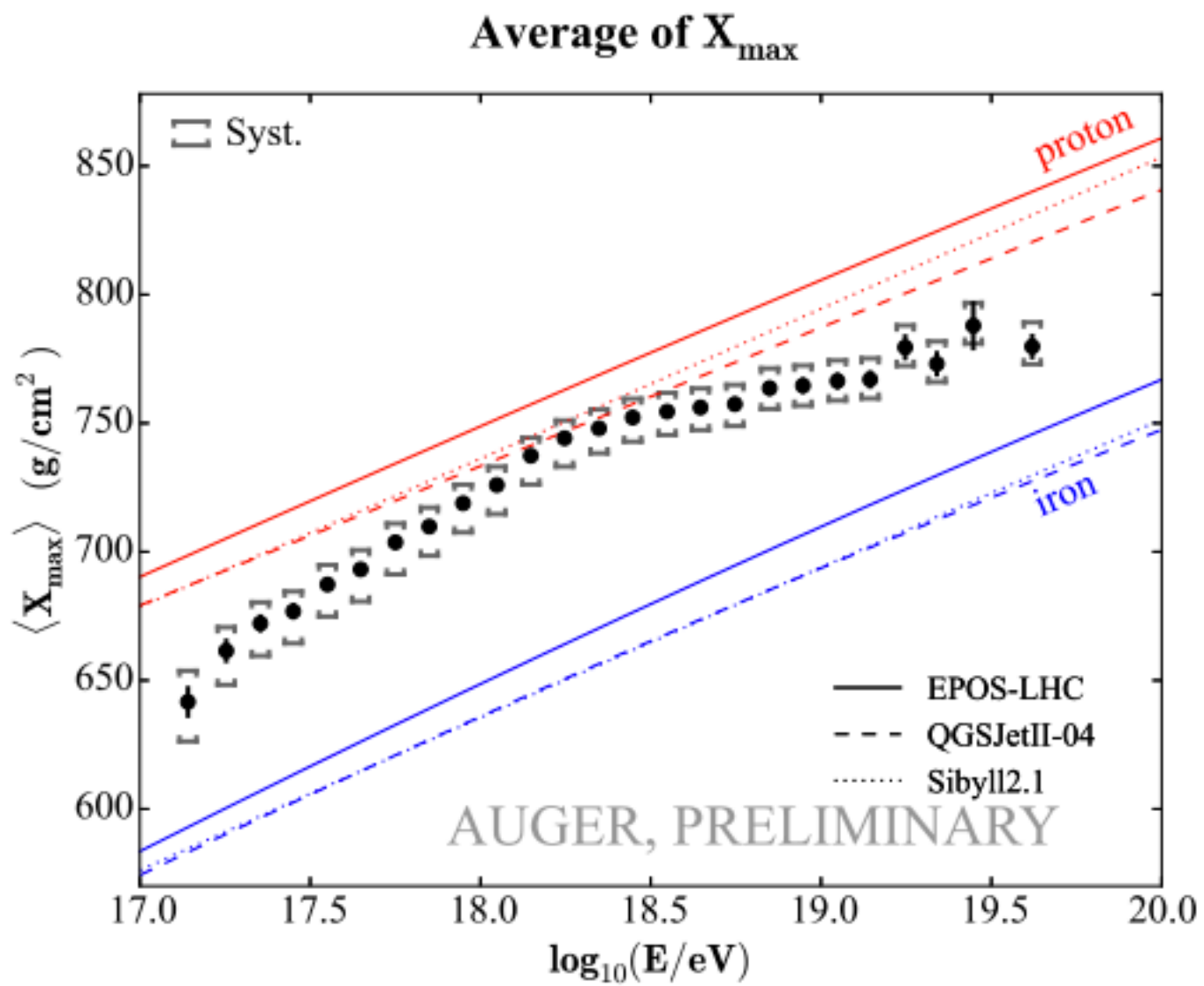
Auger Observatory + Radio = AERA



GZK Cutoff



GZK Cutoff: Composition



GZK Cutoff Map

