

The KASCADE-Grande Experiment



KASCADE-Grande



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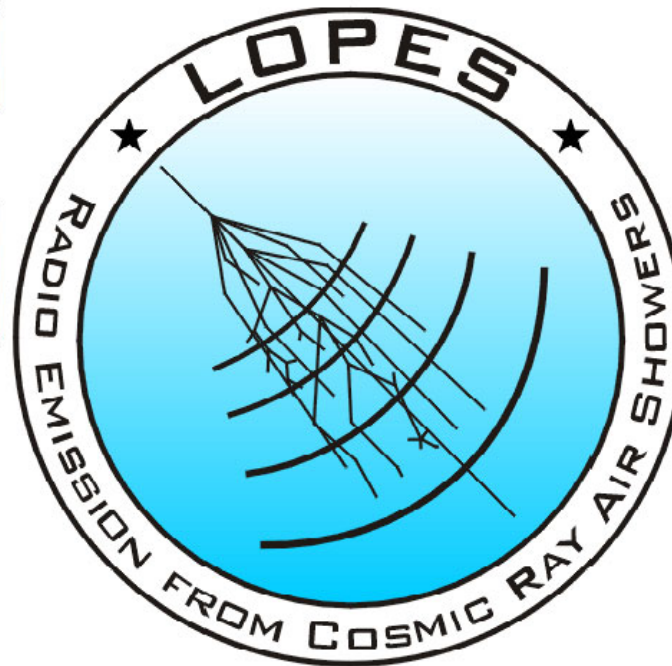
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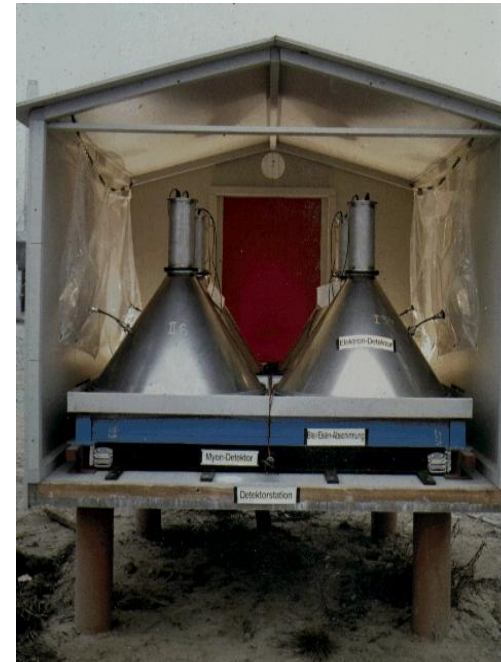
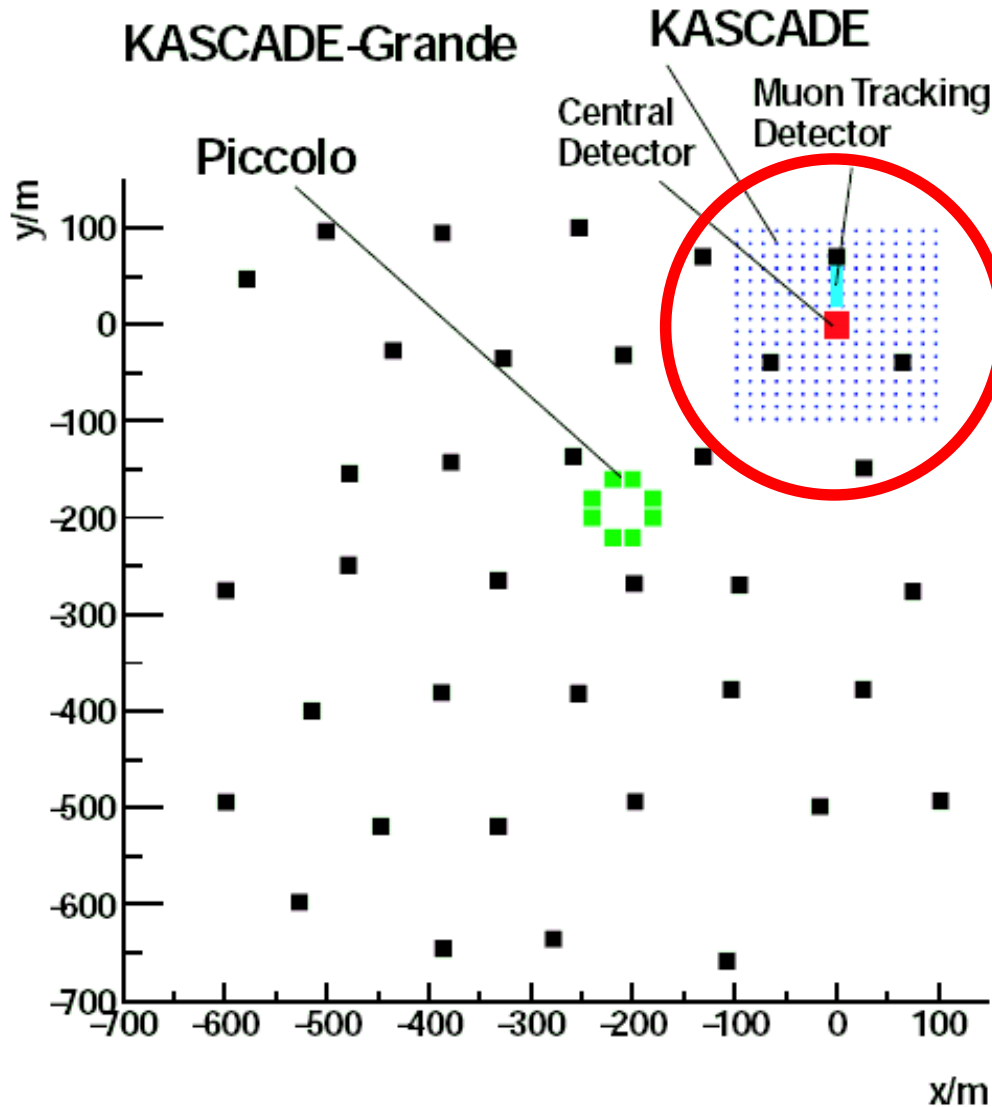
KASCADE Cosmic Ray Facility



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The Detectors: KASCADE

KASCADE



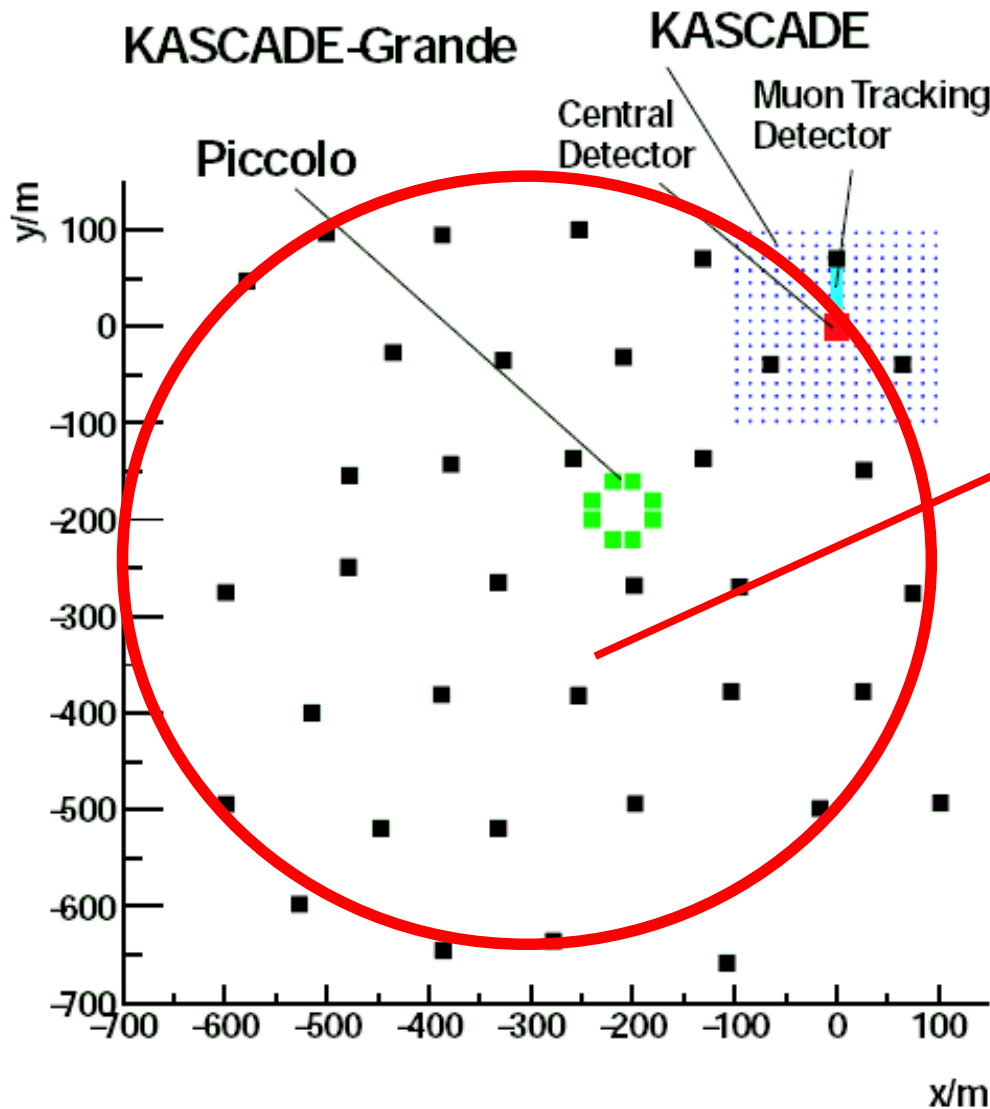
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Charged
Particles

Muon

The Detectors: KASCADE-Grande

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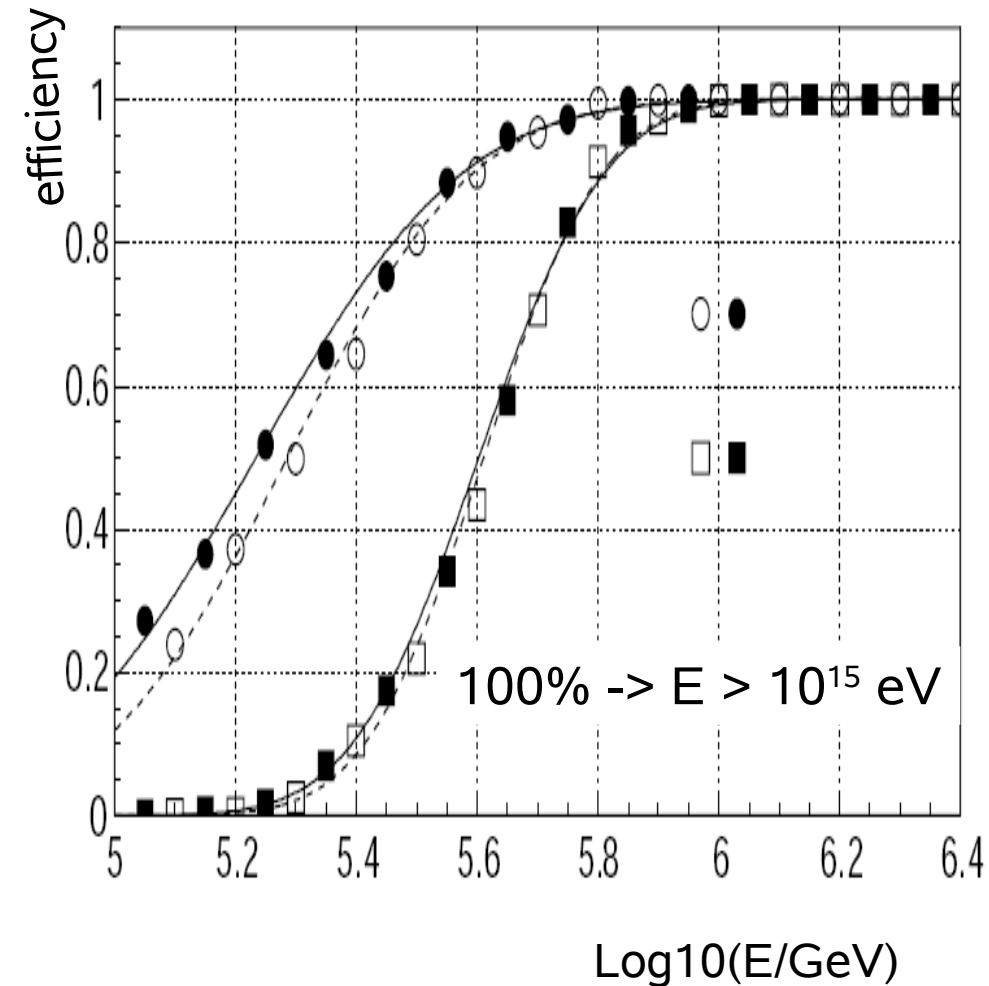


Scintillators

Detects the Charged Particles

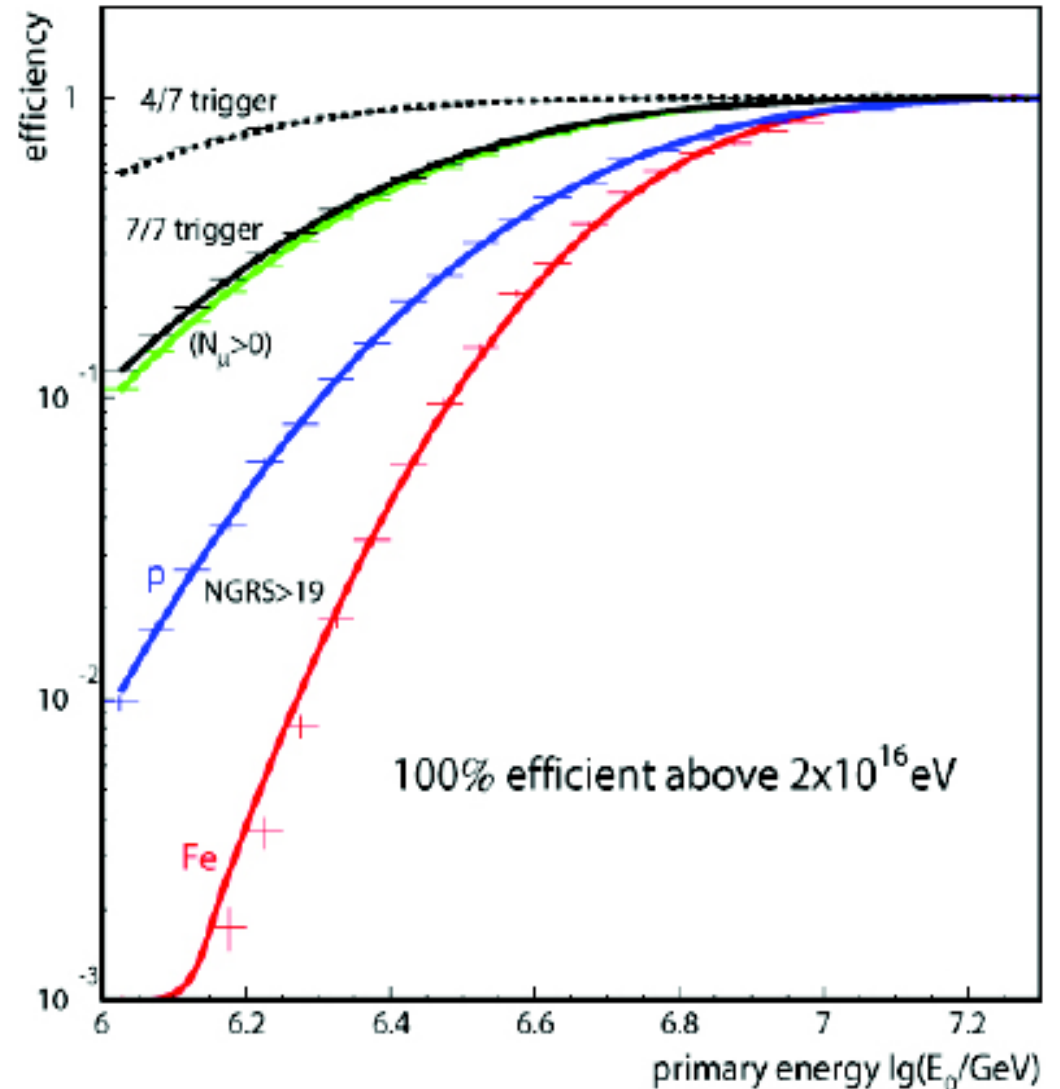
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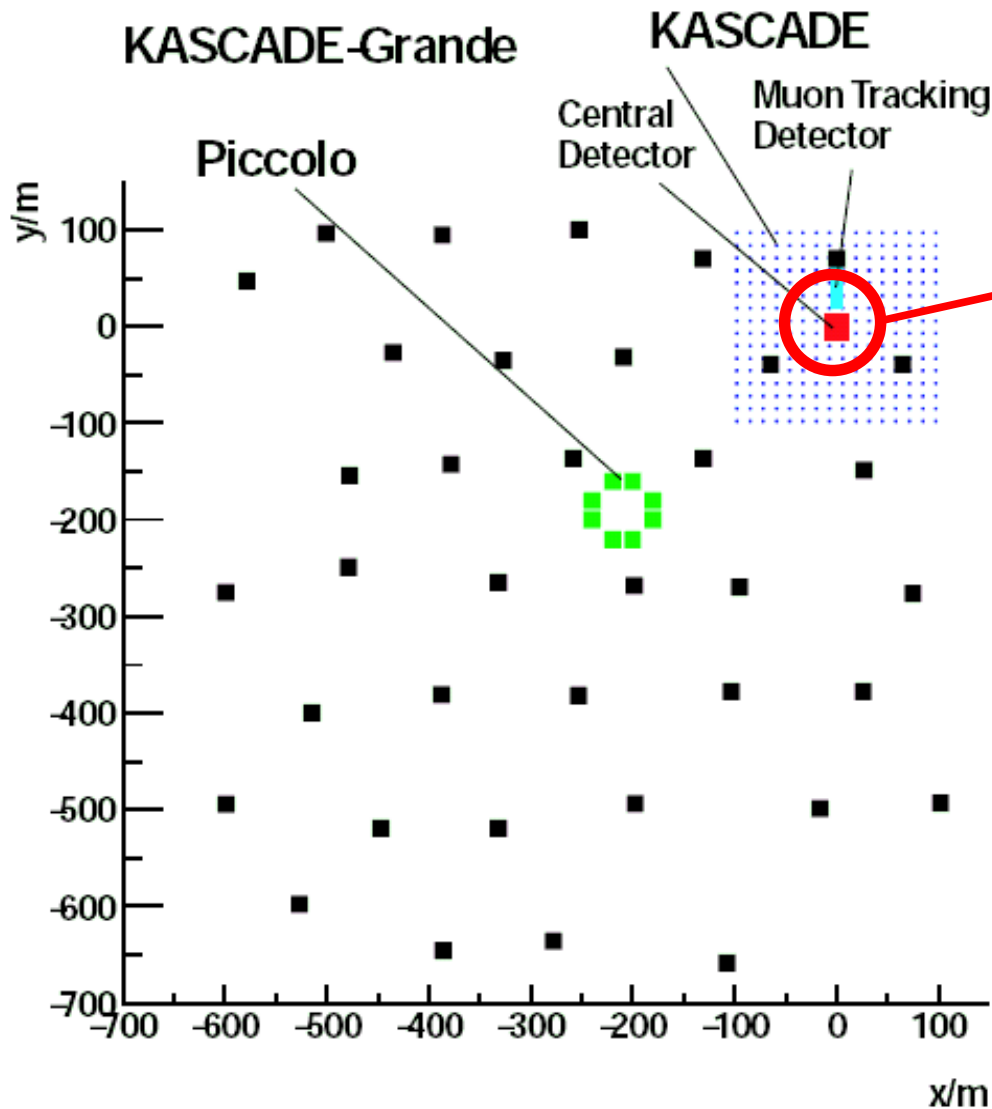


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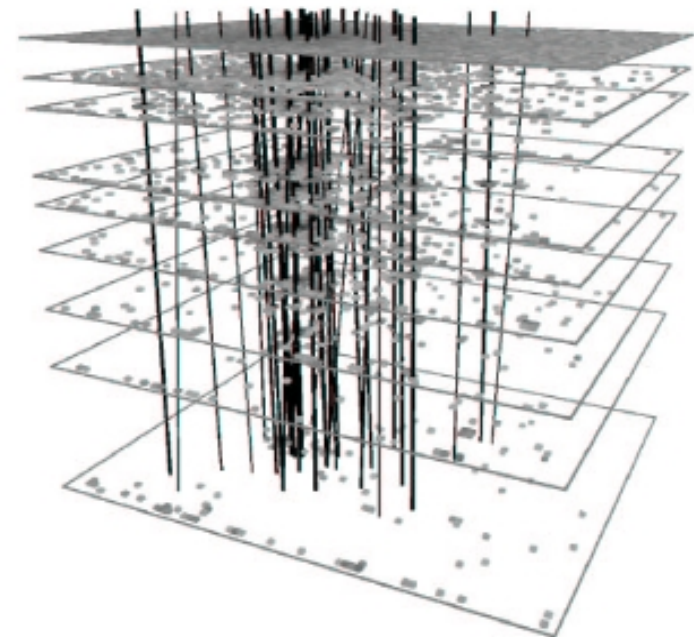
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The Detectors: Hadron Calorimeter

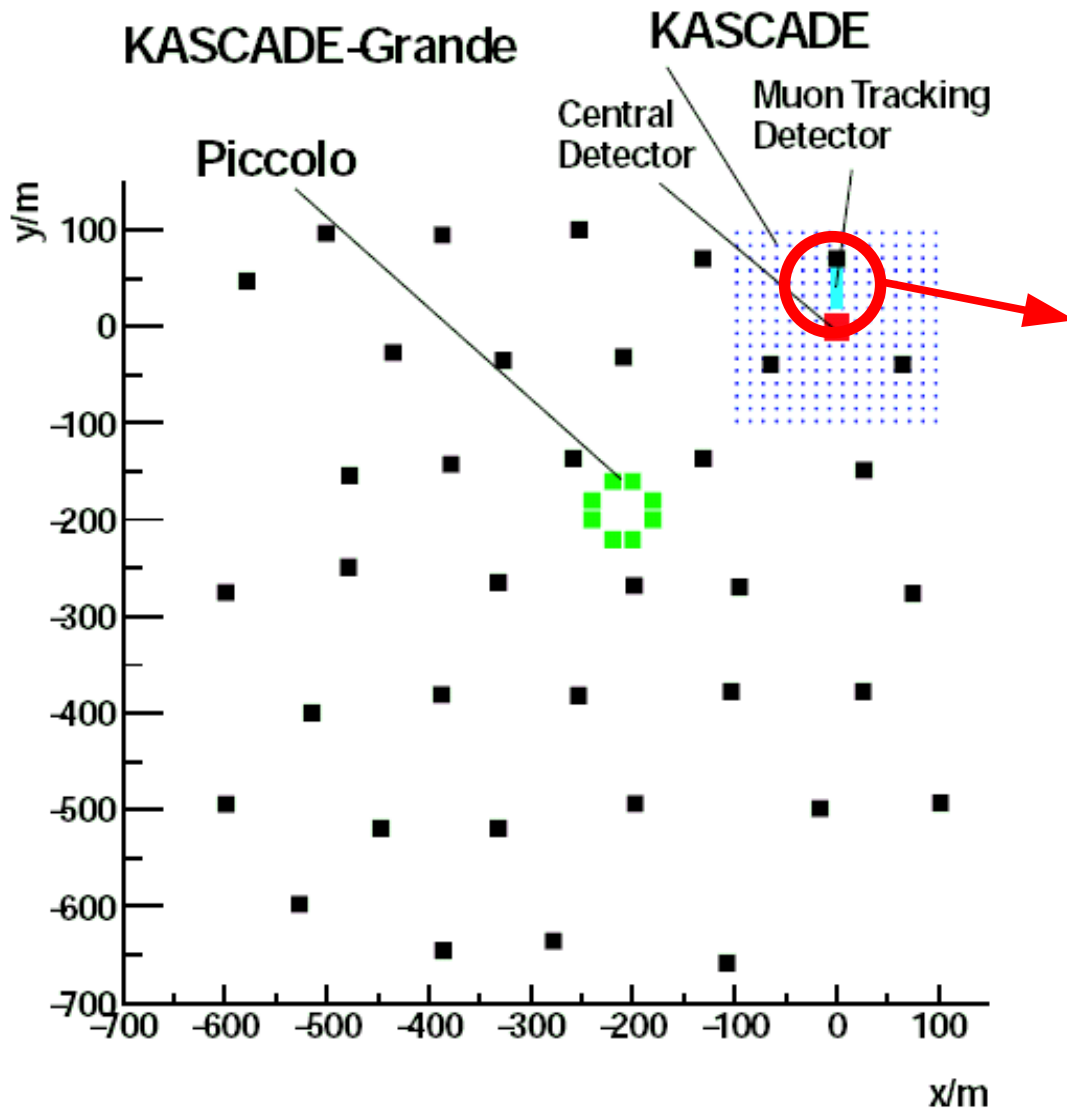


Central Calorimeter



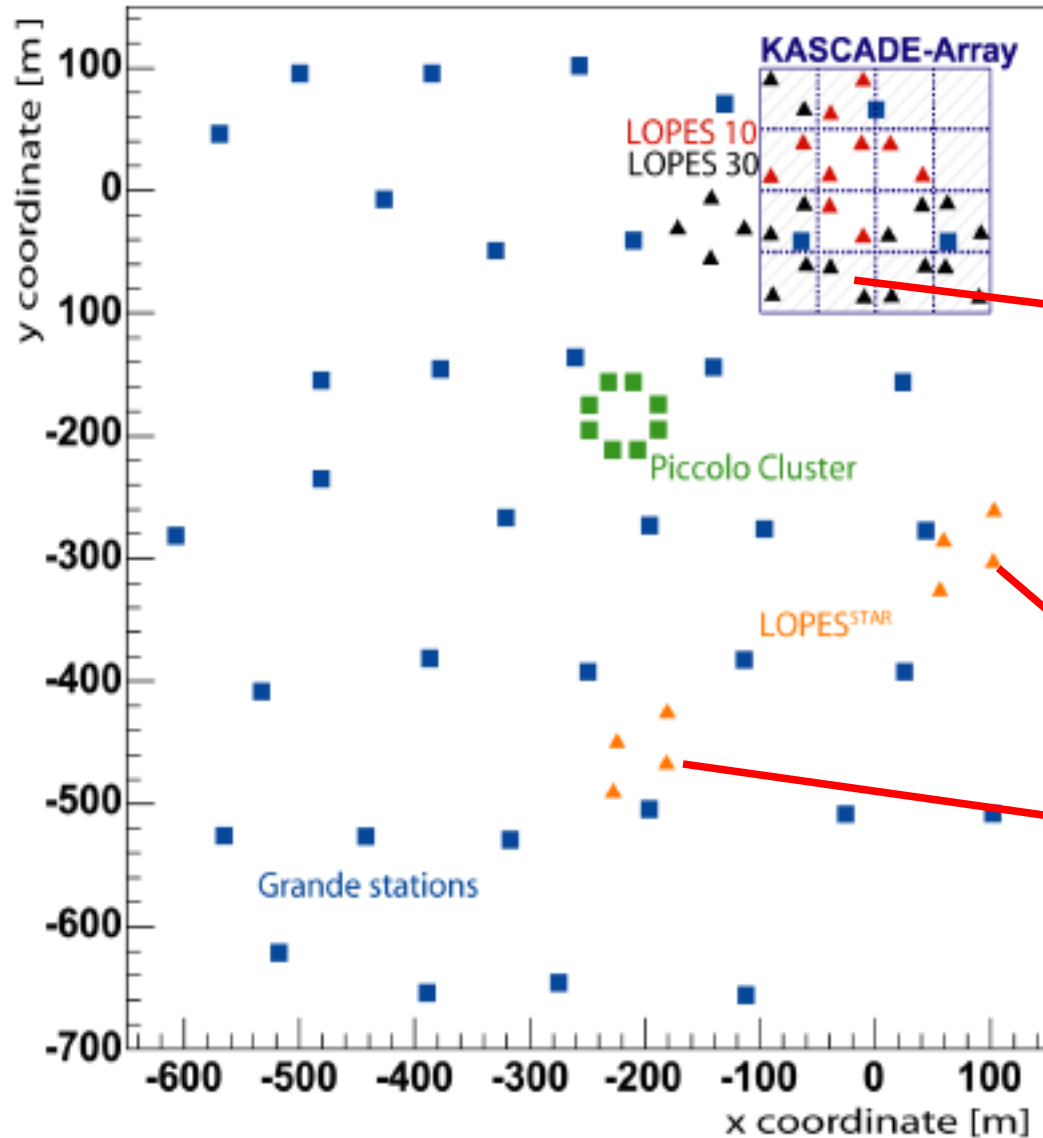
Hadron tracks

The Detectors: Muon Tracking



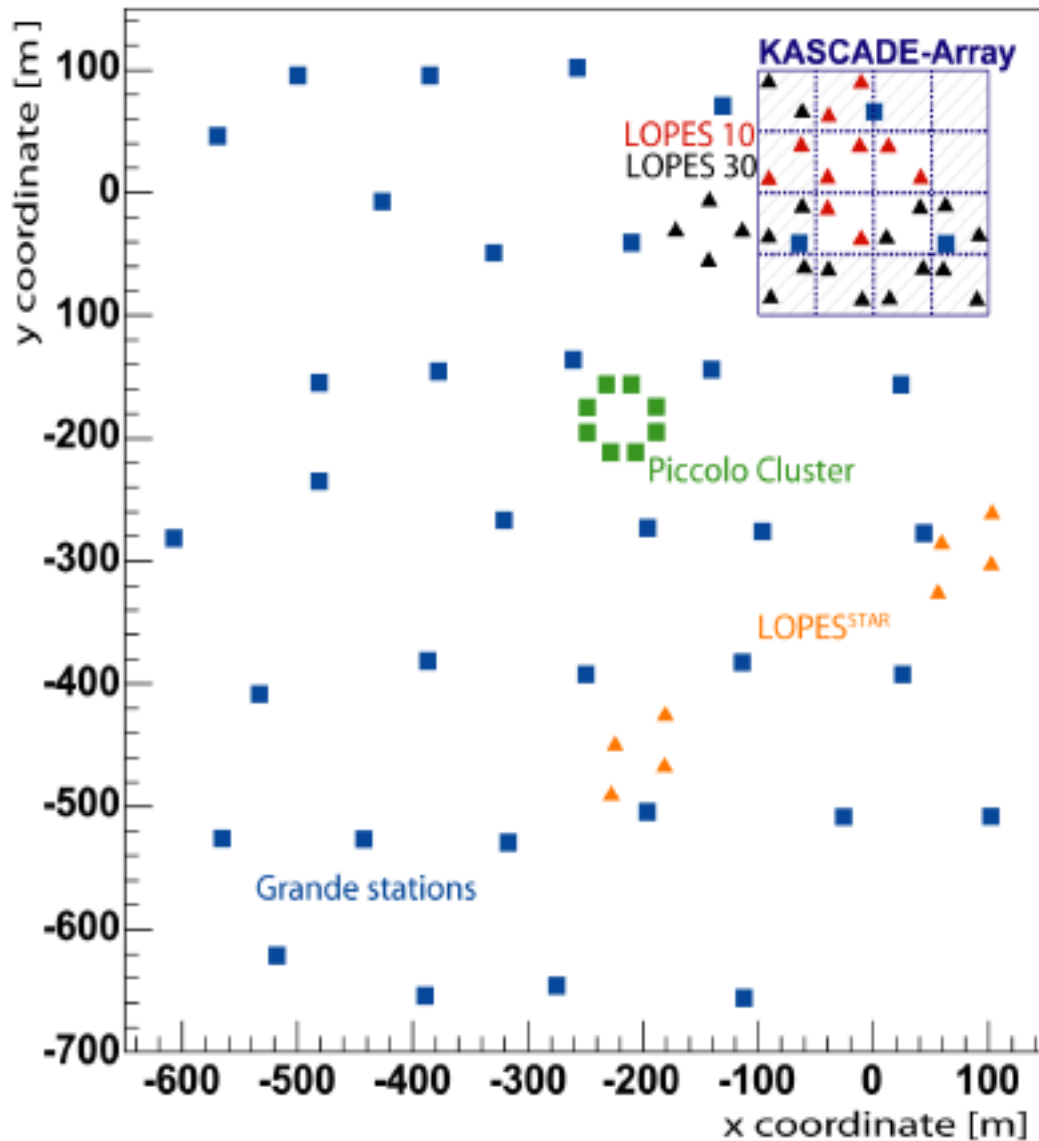
Measures muon production height

The Detectors: Radio Antennas



KASCADE Cosmic Ray Facility

Karlsruhe Shower Core and Array Detector



- KASCADE Array

$e/\gamma > 5 \text{ MeV}$

$\mu > 230 \text{ MeV}$

- Grande Array

Charged Particles

- Hadron Calorimeter

Hadrons $> 50 \text{ GeV}$

- Muon Tracking Detector

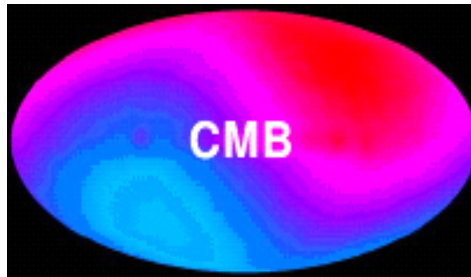
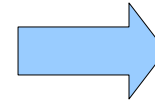
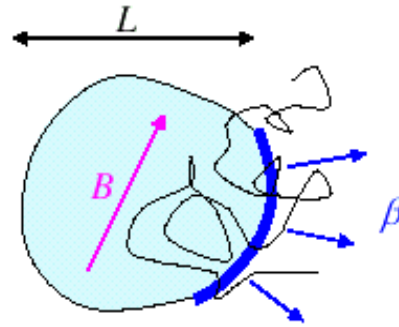
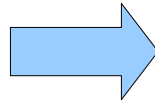
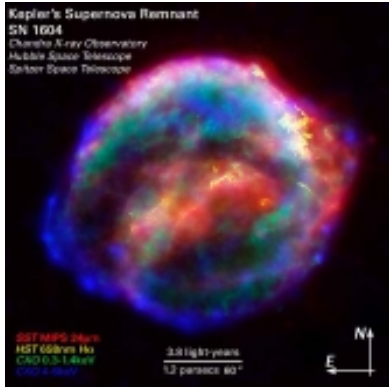
$\mu > 800 \text{ MeV}$

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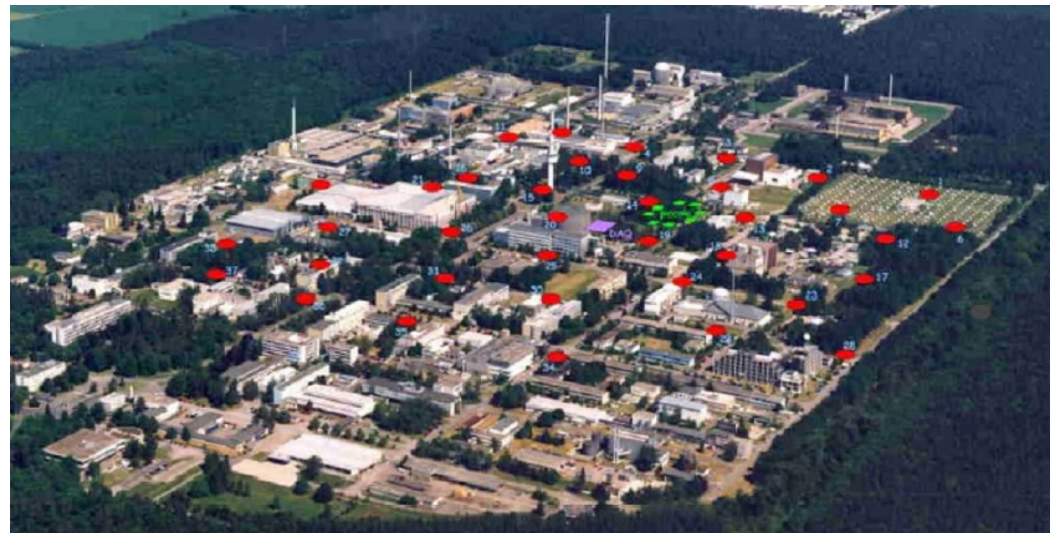
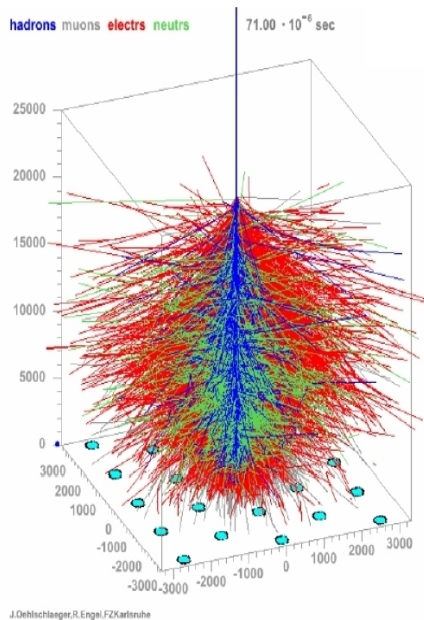
Radio Measurements

Scientific Motivation for
the KASCADE-Grande
Experiment

Astroparticle Physics

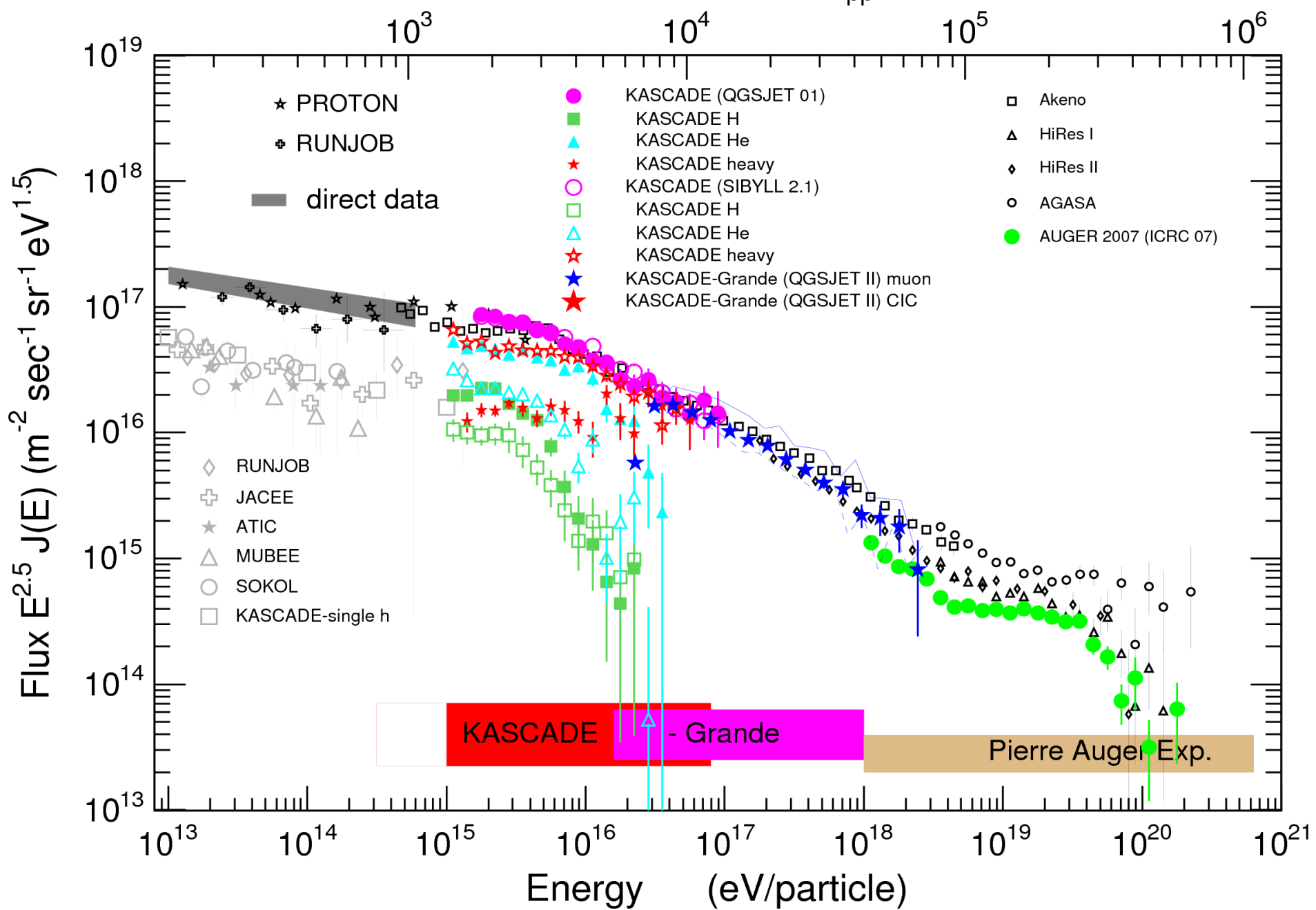


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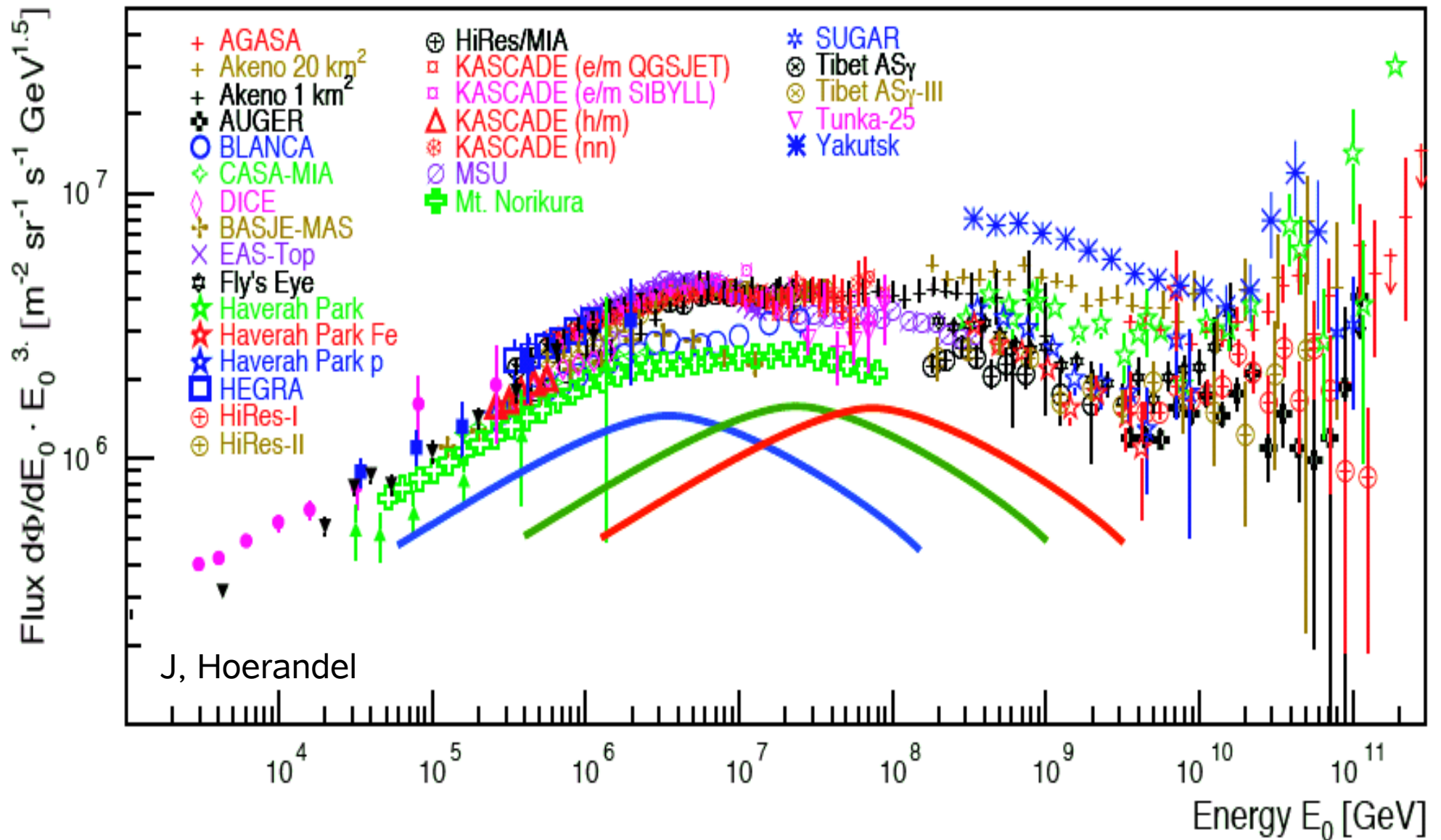


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Equivalent c.m. energy \sqrt{s}_{pp} (GeV)



Scientific Motivation



Pelé and the cosmic ray spectrum

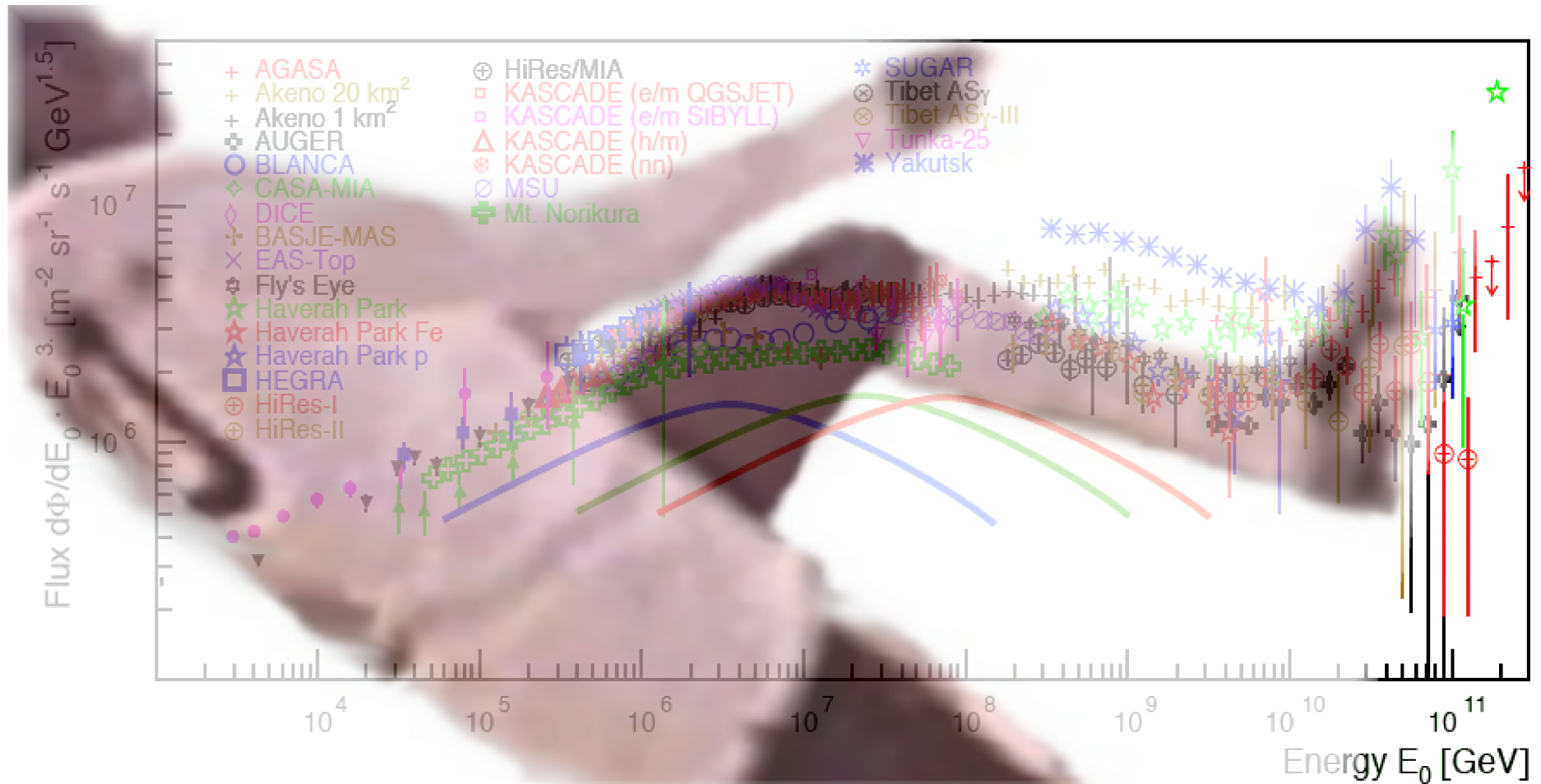


1363 matches

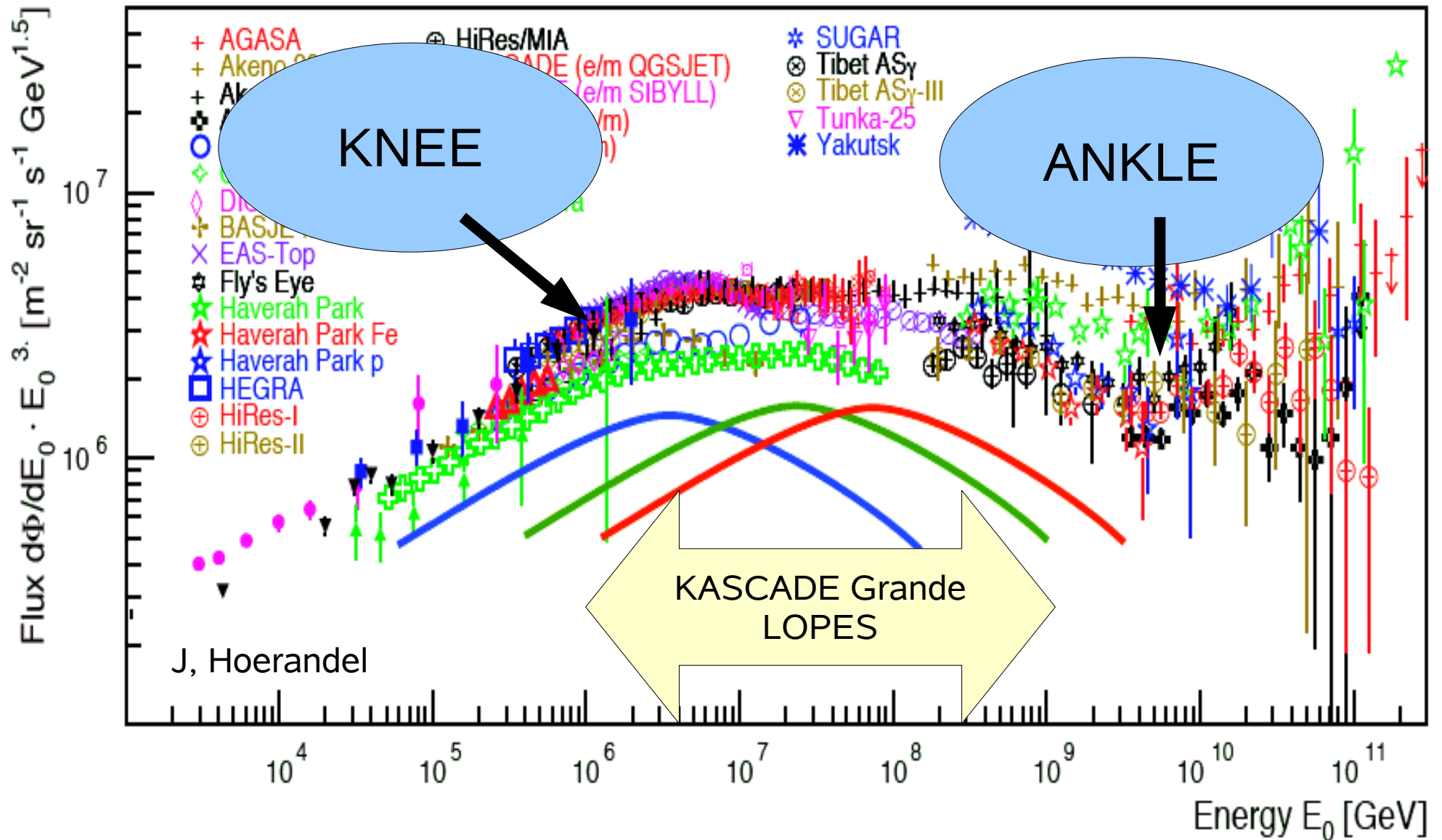
1282 goals

3 World Cups

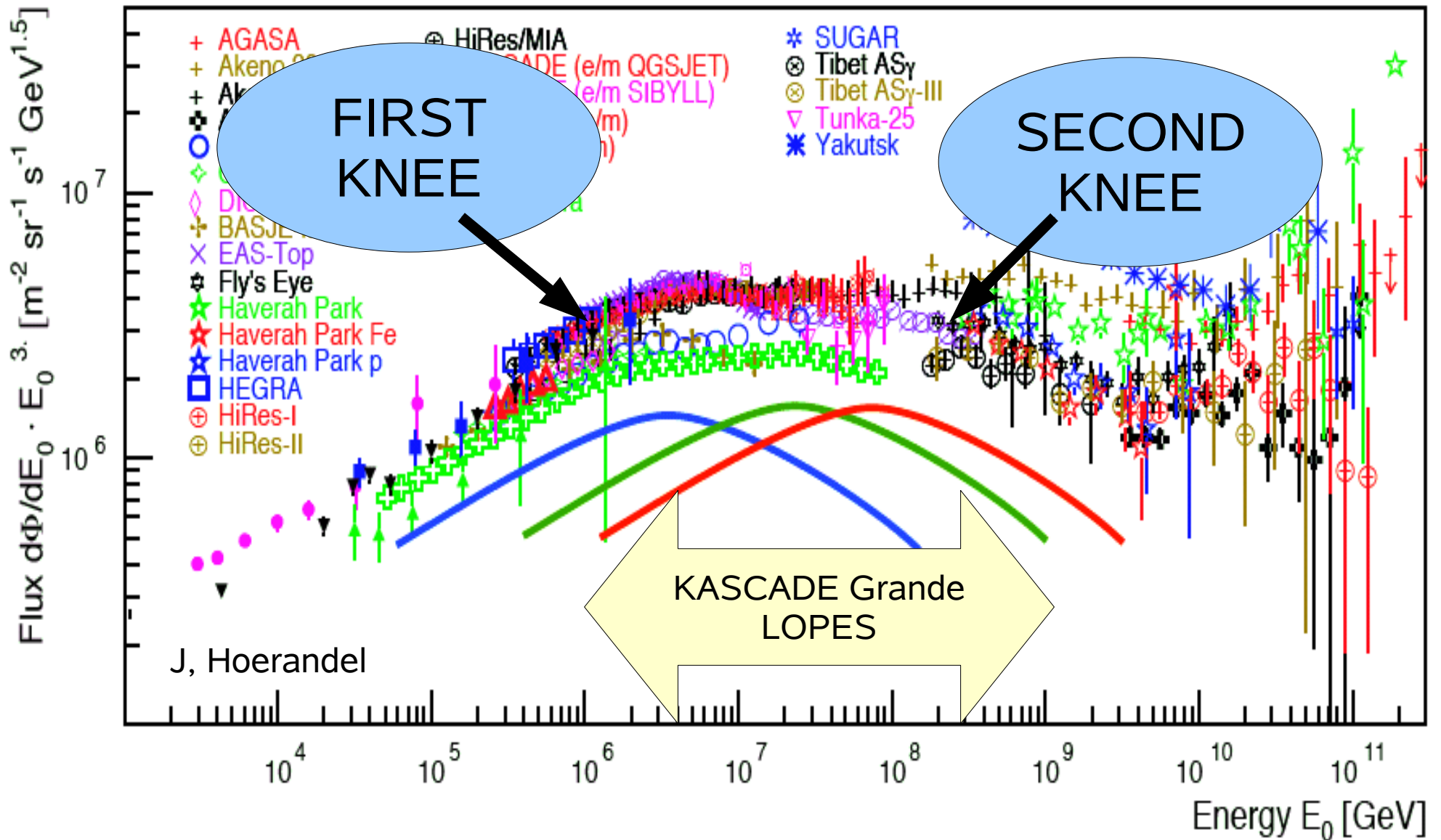
Knees and ankle



Scientific Motivation



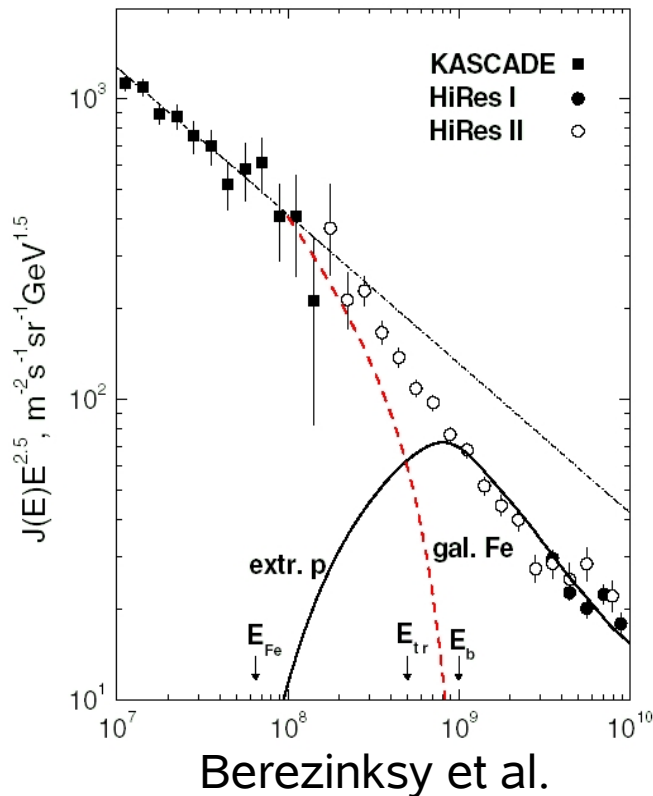
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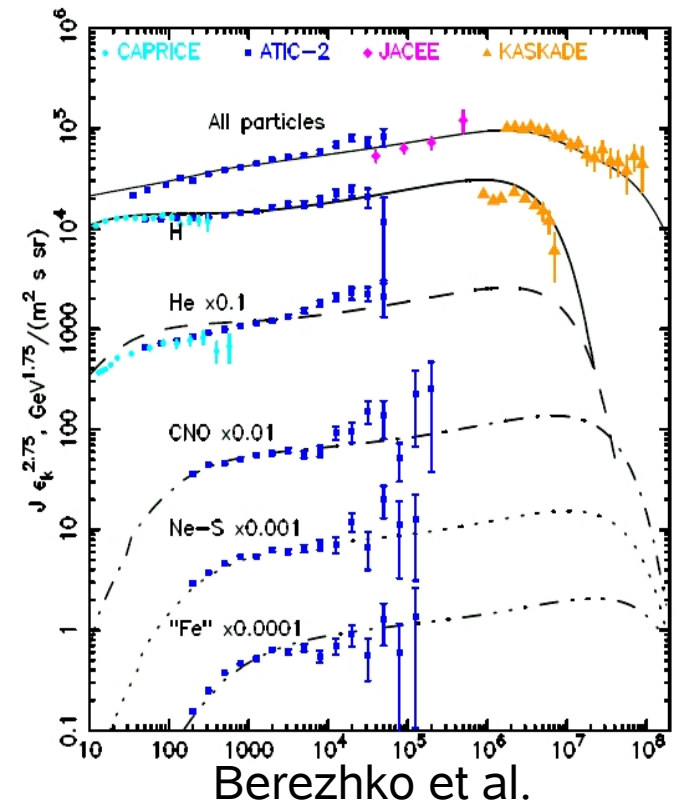
Astrophysical models

Transition from Galactic
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predominance in the flux

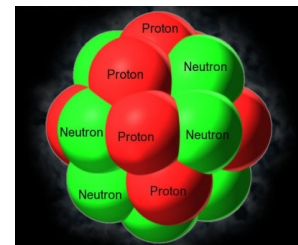
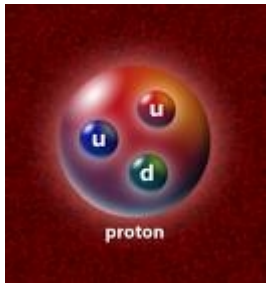
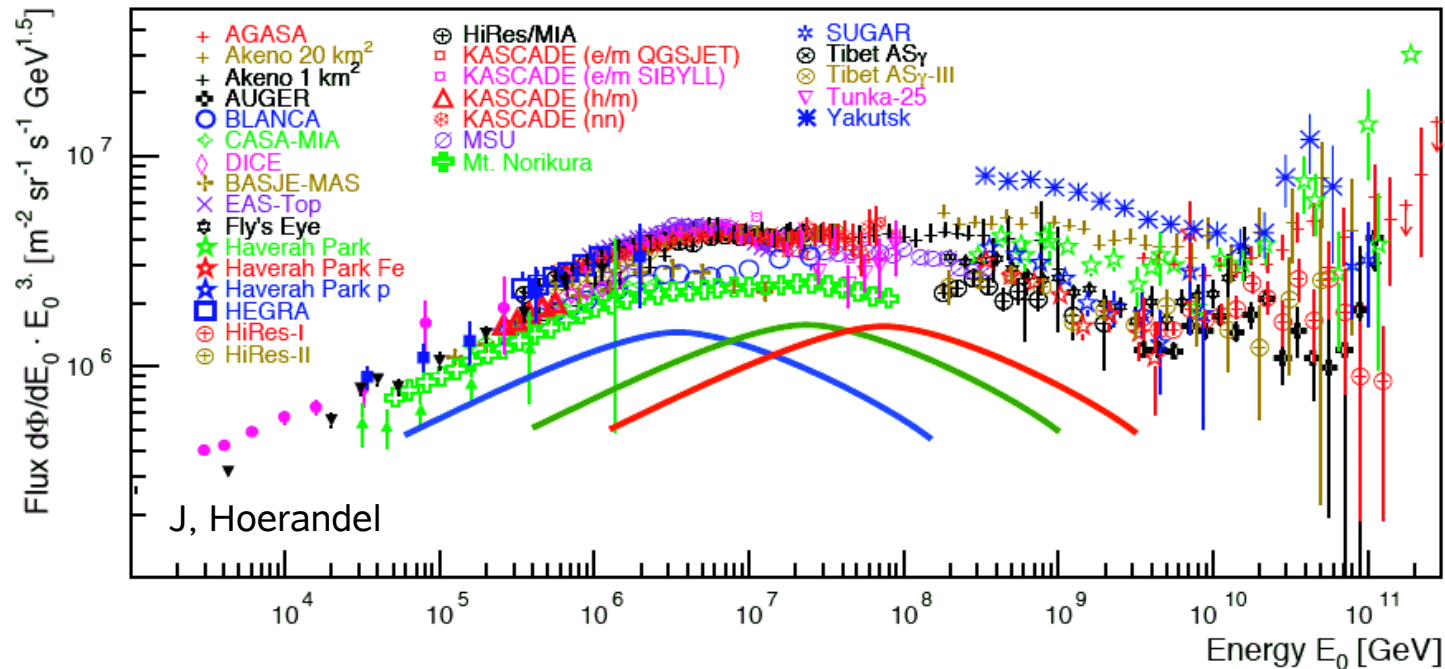
Composition
change at the
sources

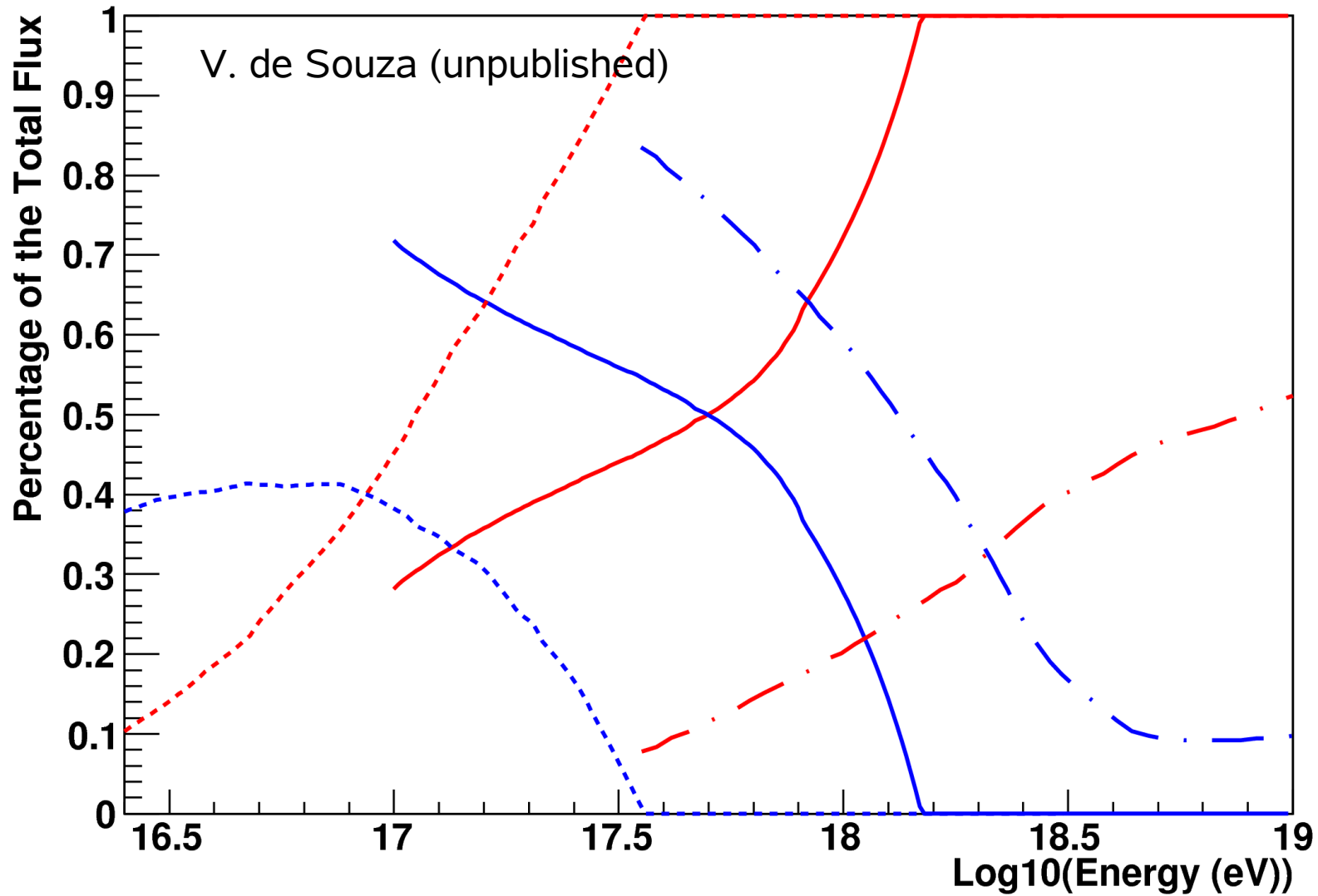
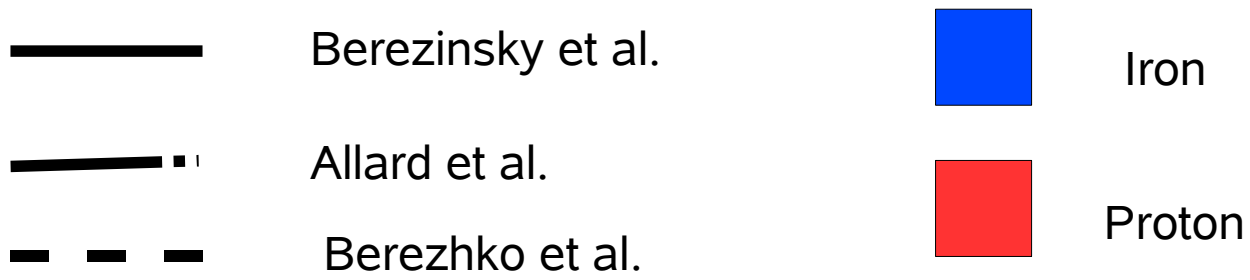


The art of
matching
spectra



To understand the astroparticle physics with energy between 10^{15} to 10^{18} eV one experiment has to measure the composition evolution between the knees

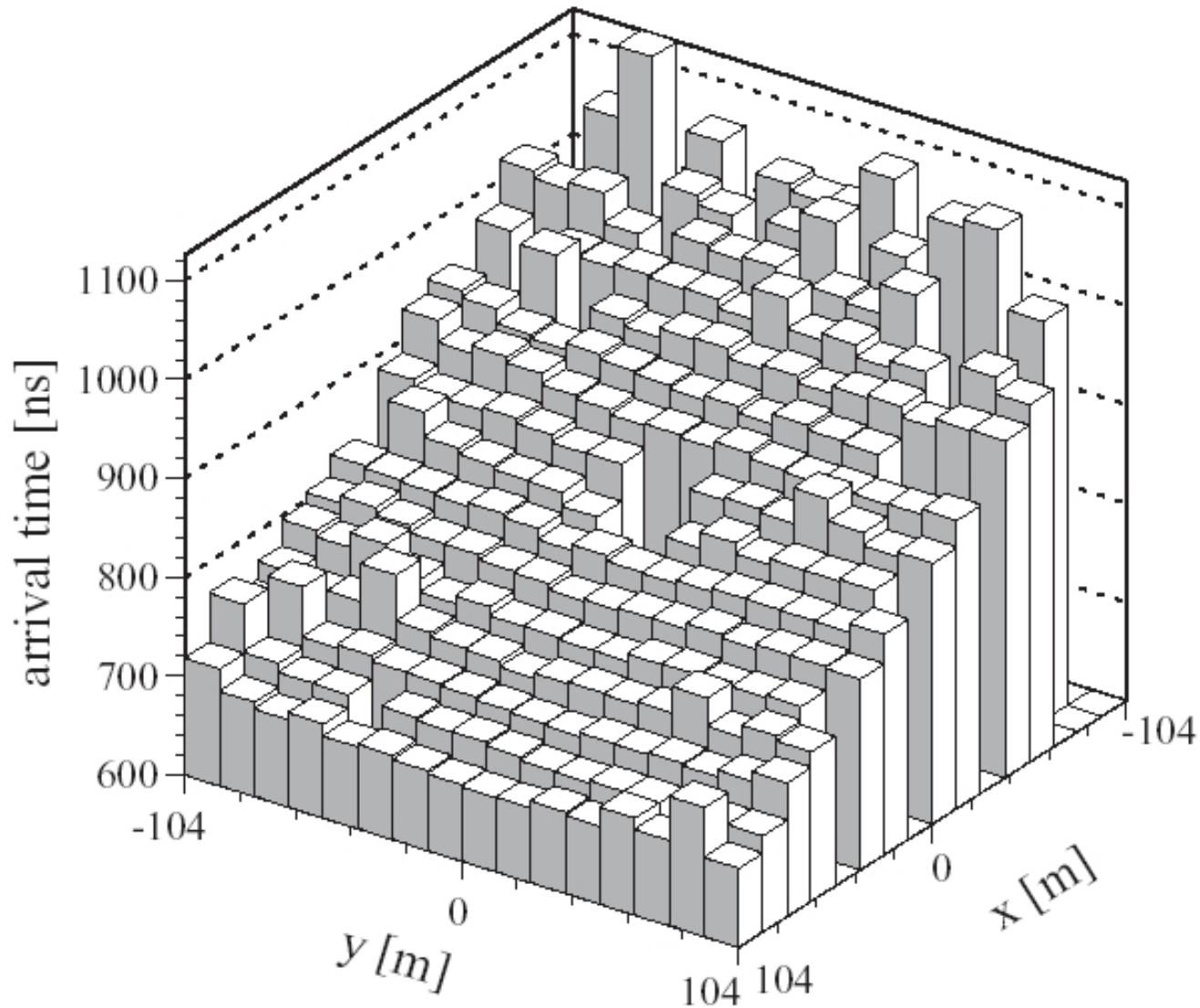




Around the second knee

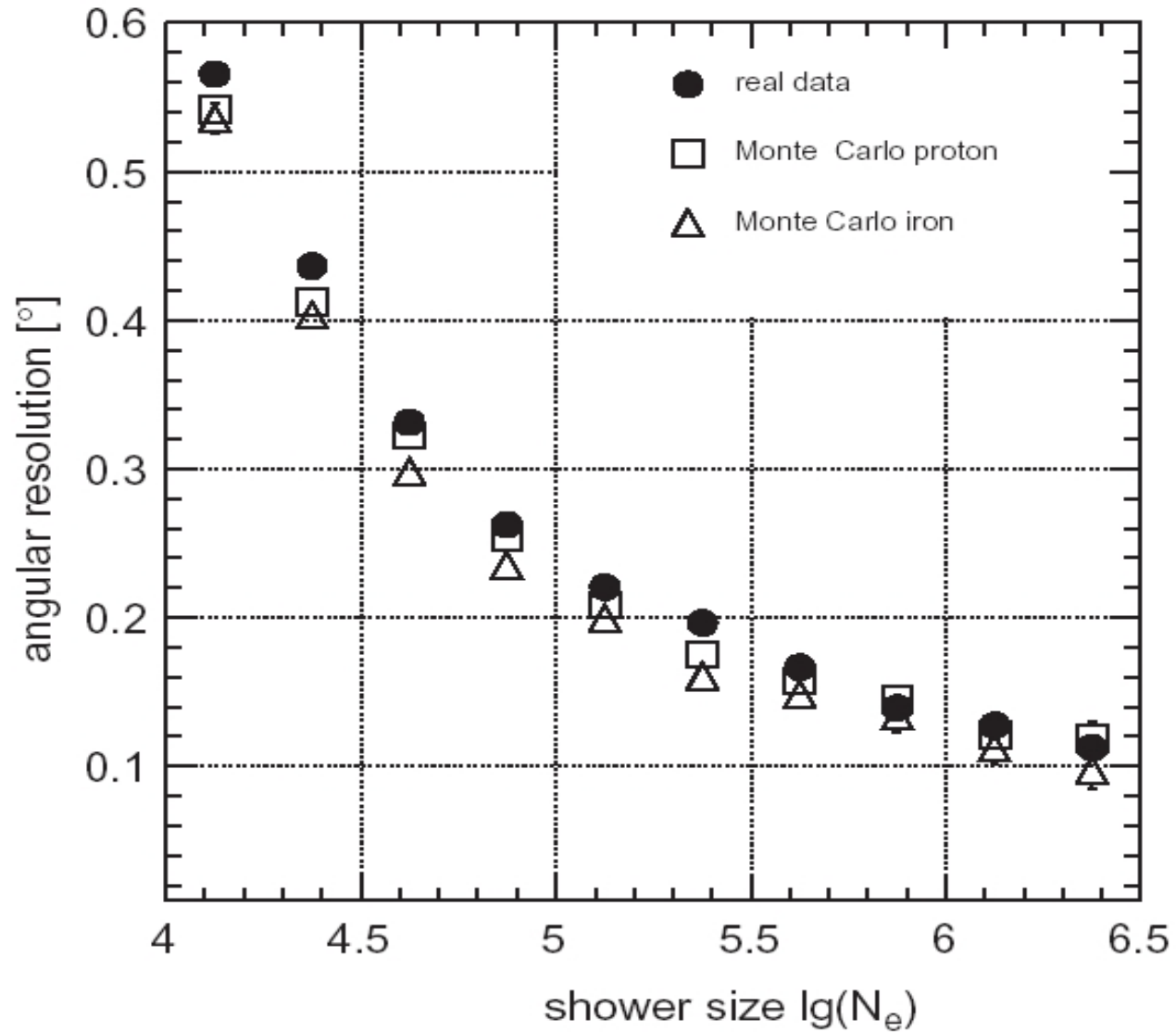
DATA ANALYSIS

Arrival Direction: KASCADE

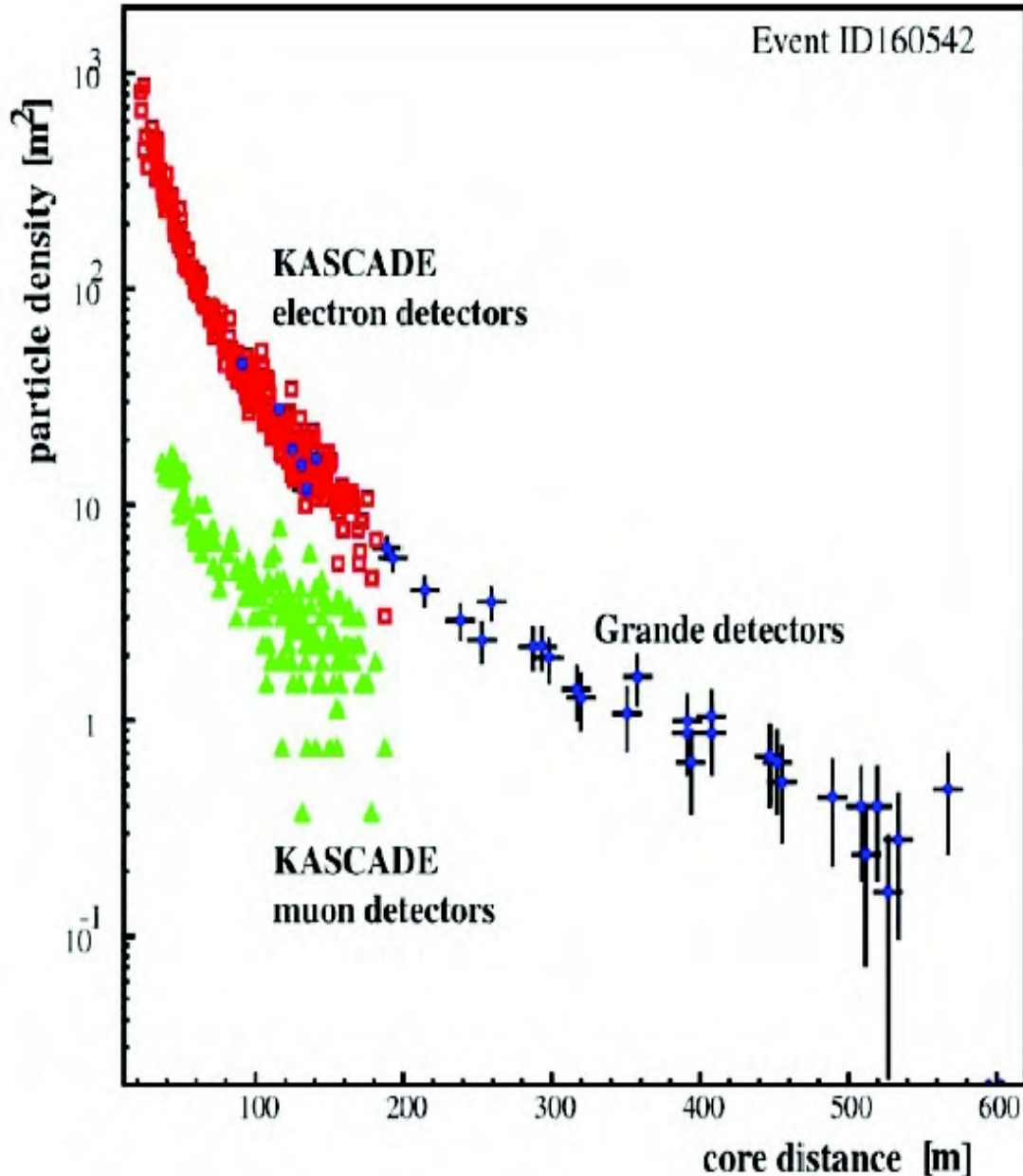


Time Resolution of the Scintilators < 1 ns

Arrival Direction: KASCADE



Reconstruction:



core position
number of electrons
number of muons

Fit a function to the
lateral distribution
of particles and
calculate the total
number of muons
and electrons

KASCADE

Area = $4 \times 10^4 \text{ m}^2$ Spacing = 13 m
= $4 \times 10^{-2} \text{ km}^2$

At the First Knee

Core resolution $\sim 1 \text{ m}$

Direction $\sim 0.15^\circ$

Total Number of Muons $\sim 10\%$

Total Number of Electrons $\sim 5\%$

Grande

Area = 0.5 km^2 Spacing = irregular

At the Second Knee

Core resolution $\sim 10 \text{ m}$

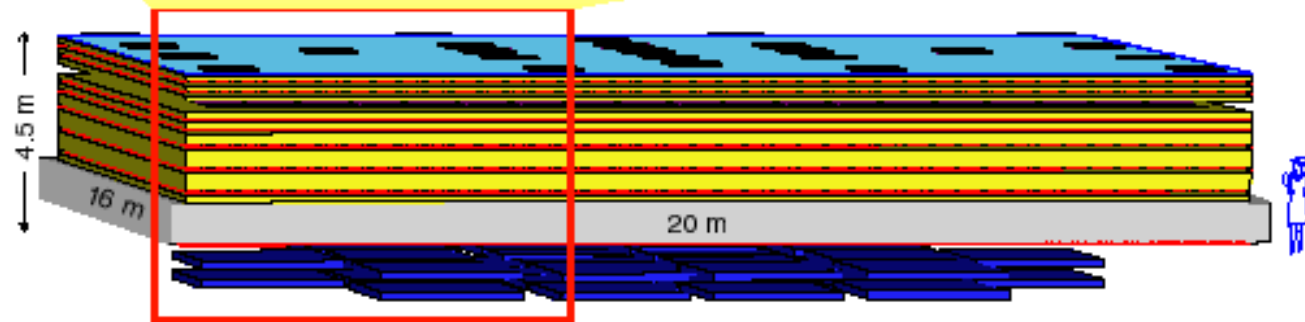
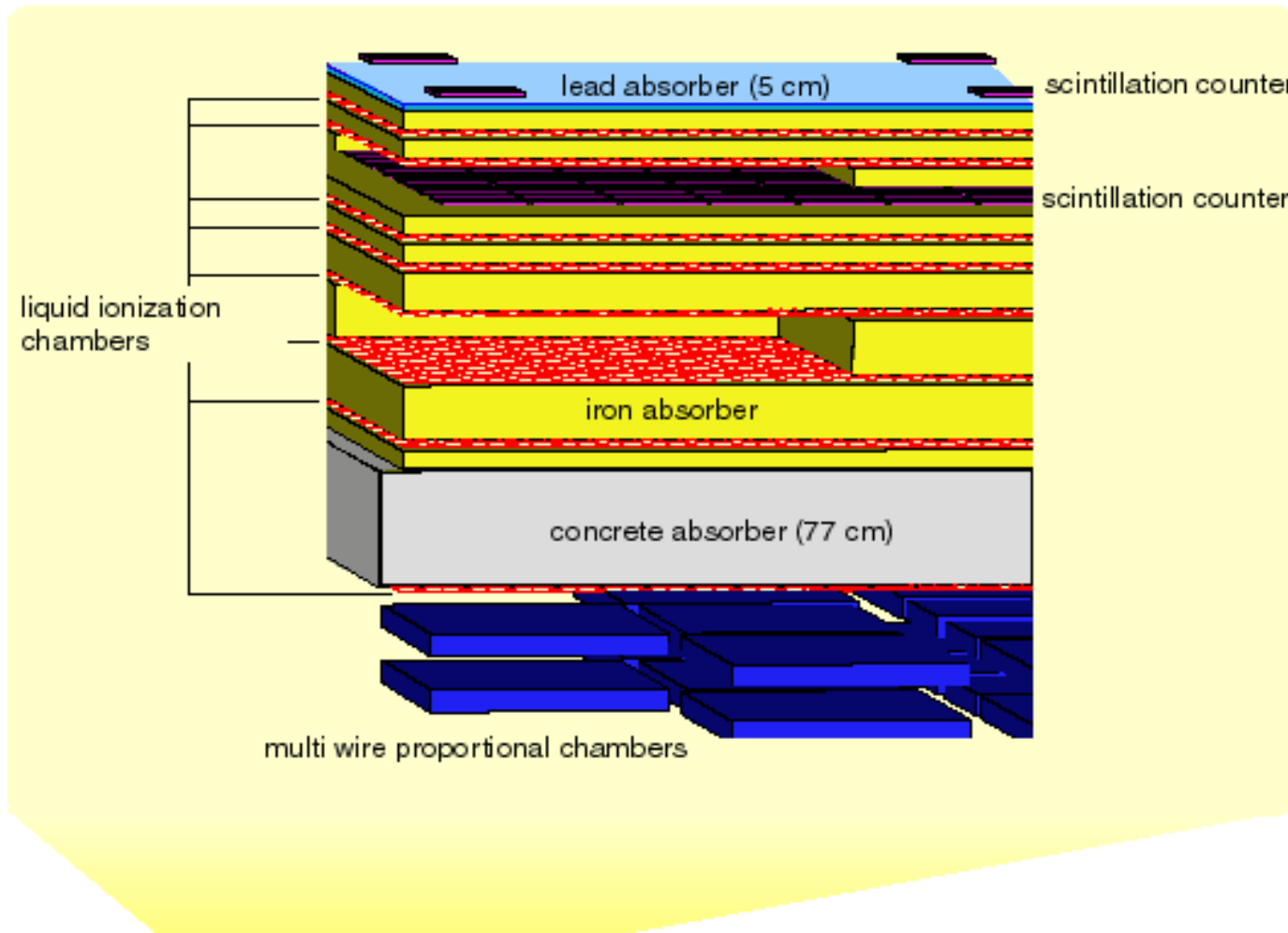
Direction $\sim 0.5^\circ$

Total Number of Muons $\sim 20\%$

Total Number of Electrons $\sim 20\%$

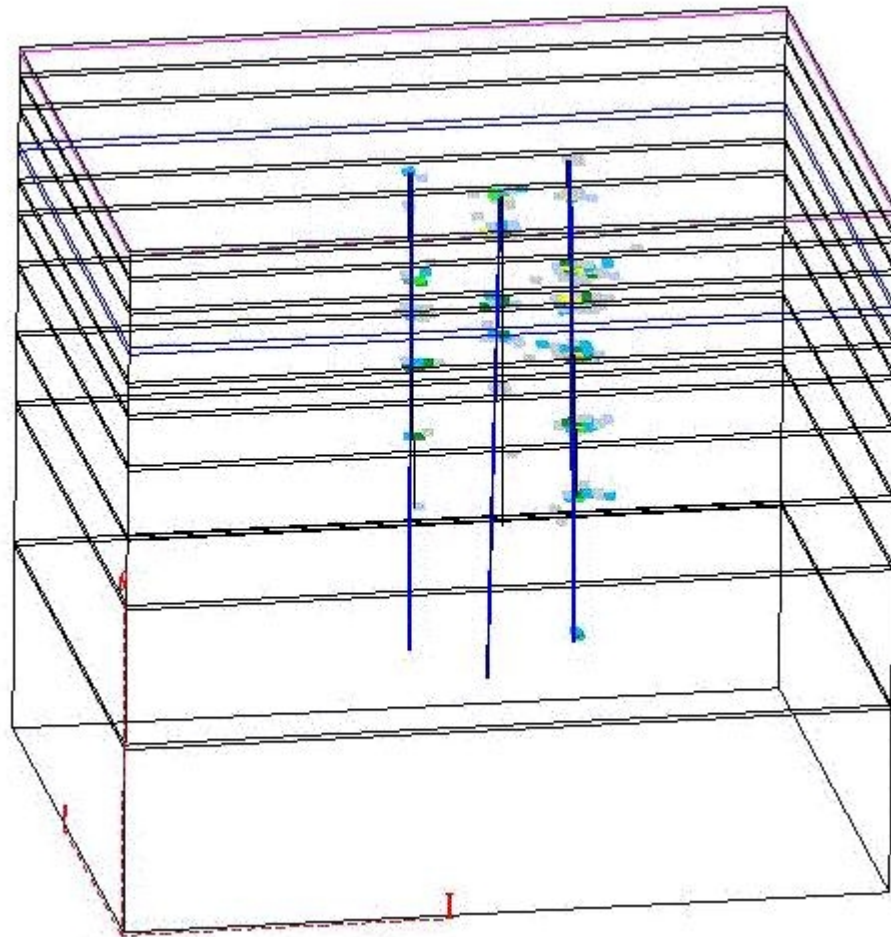
Subset of events with extra information:
hadron + muon tracking + radio

Central Calorimeter

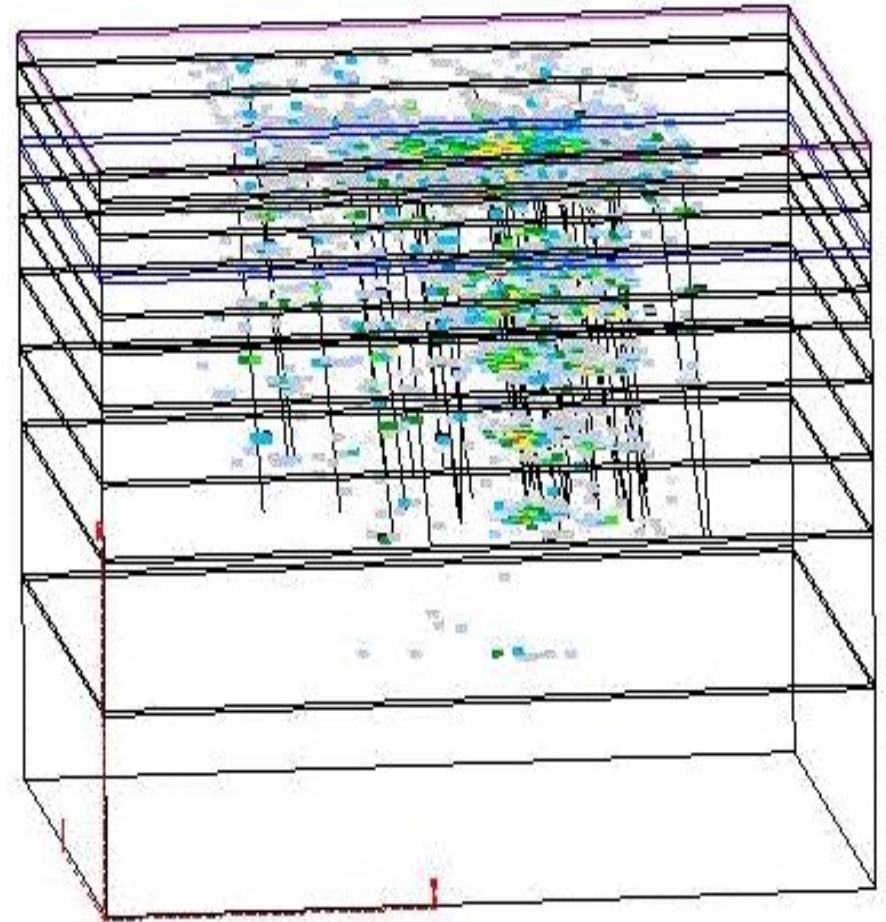


Central Calorimeter

Muon Counting



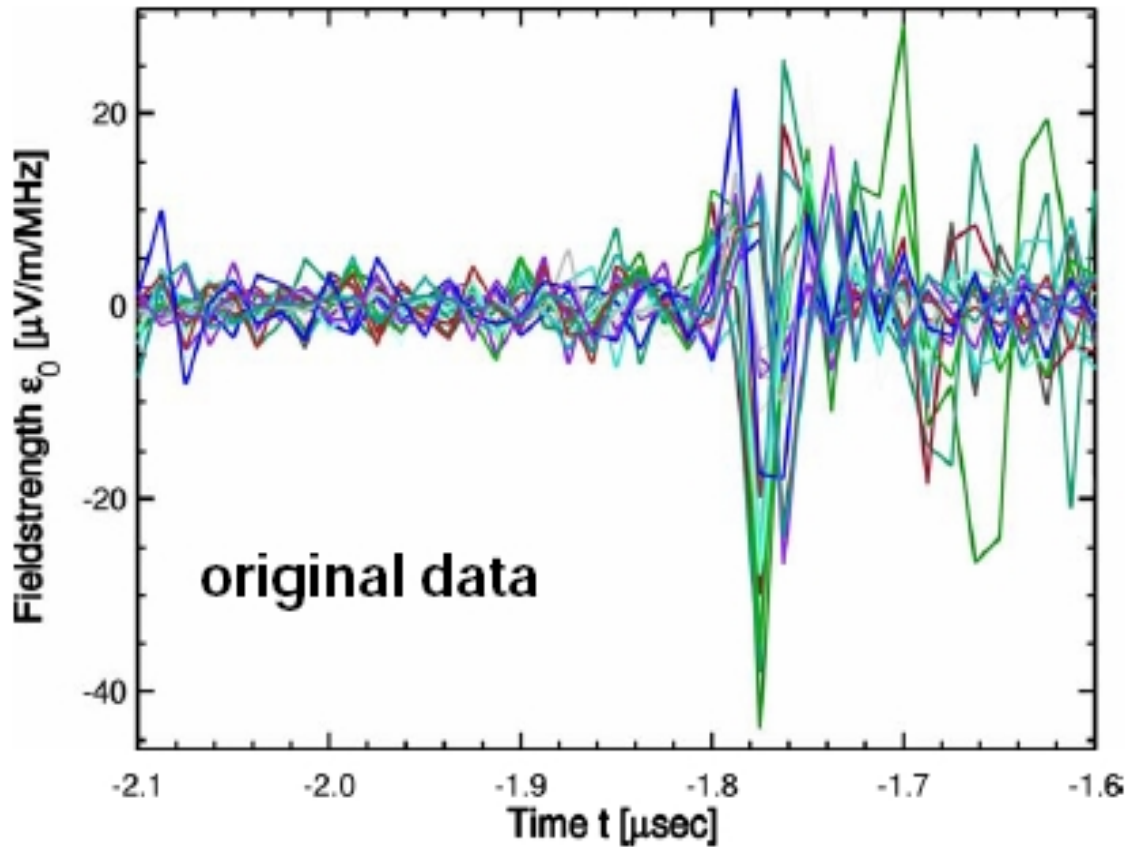
Hadron Counting



Efficiency correction calculated with Monte Carlo simulation

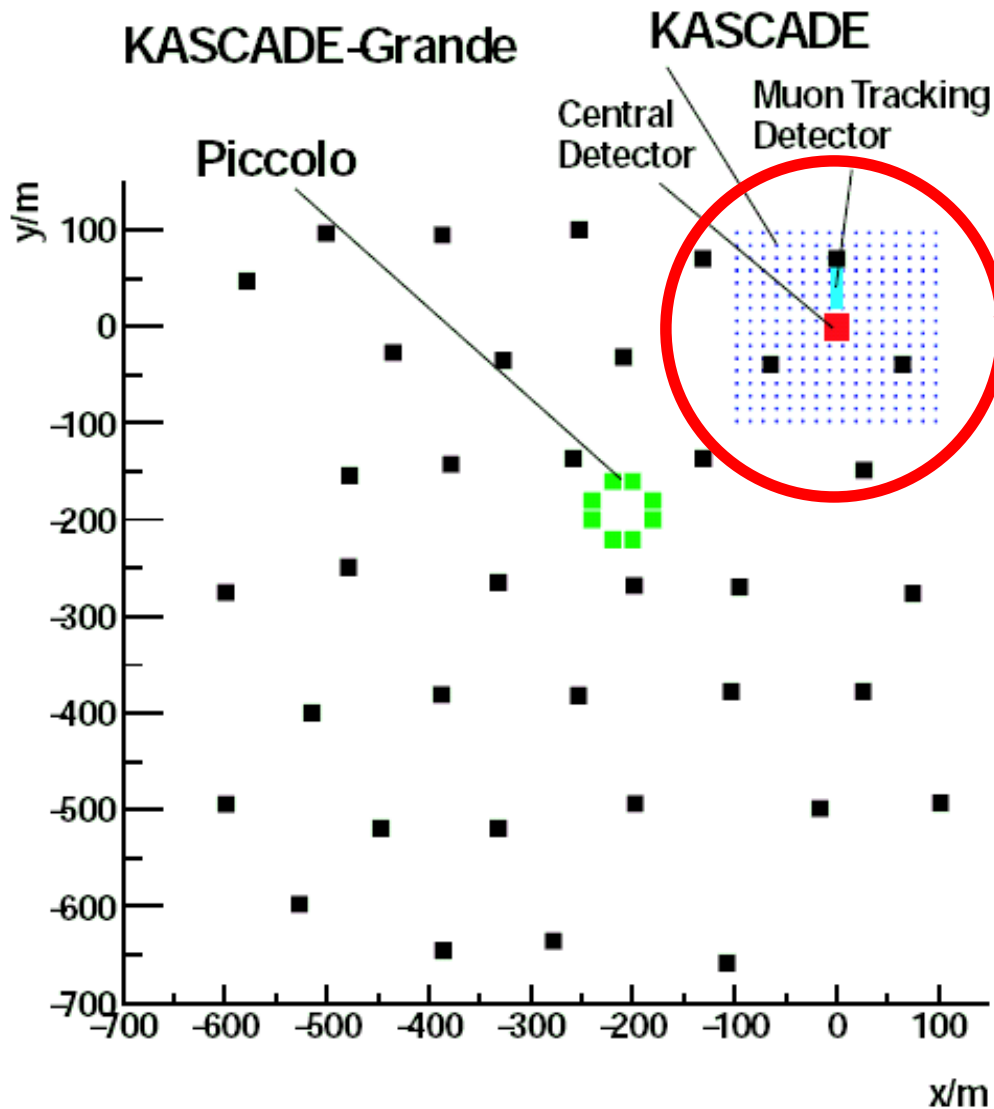
Radio Antennas

Electric field strength
changing in time



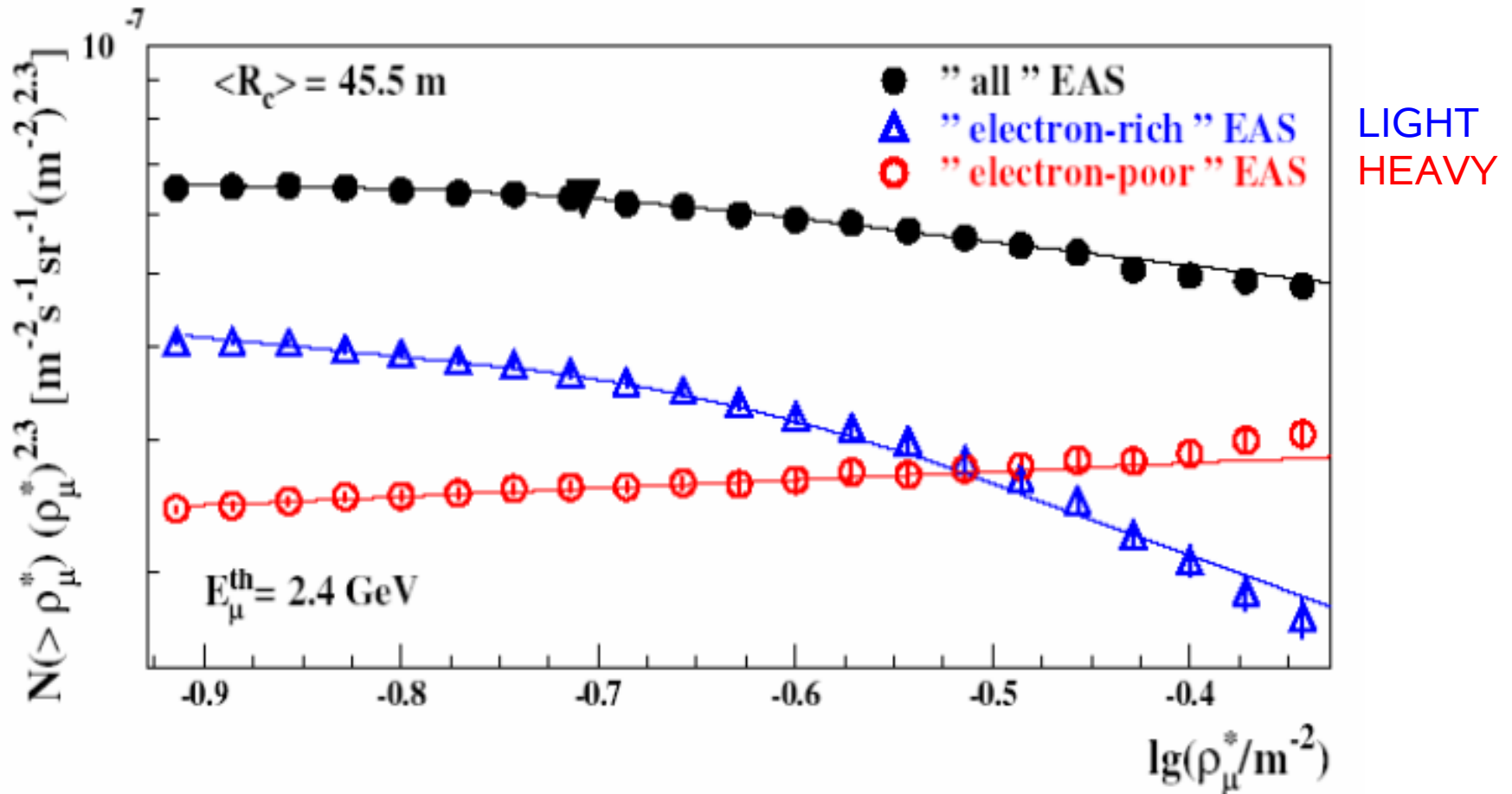
RESULTS

First Knee ($10^{15} - 8 \times 10^{16}$ eV)



252 stations
 10^9 events triggered
 10^6 events used for
composition

Direct Measurement

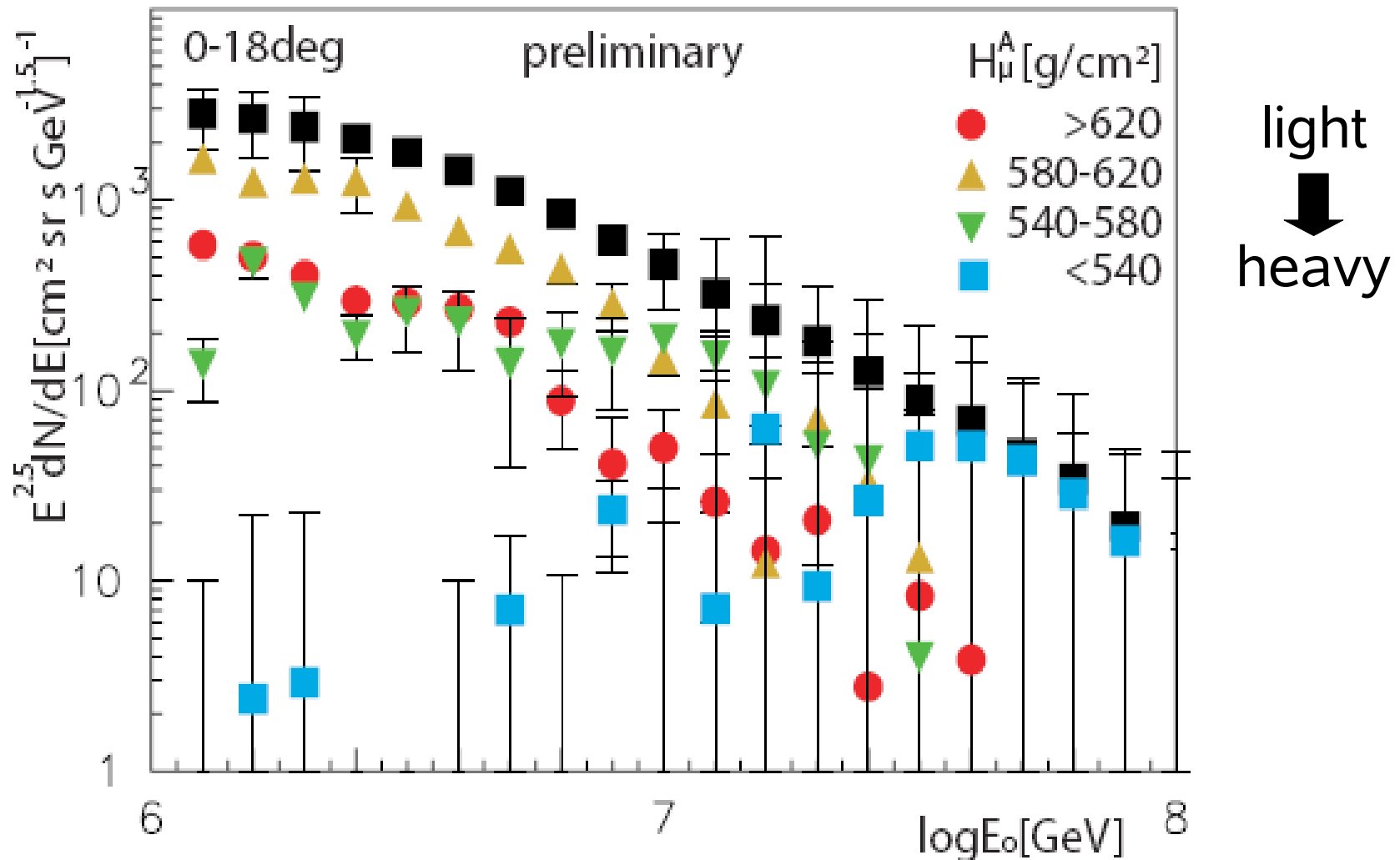


First knee caused by the decreasing flux of light elements.

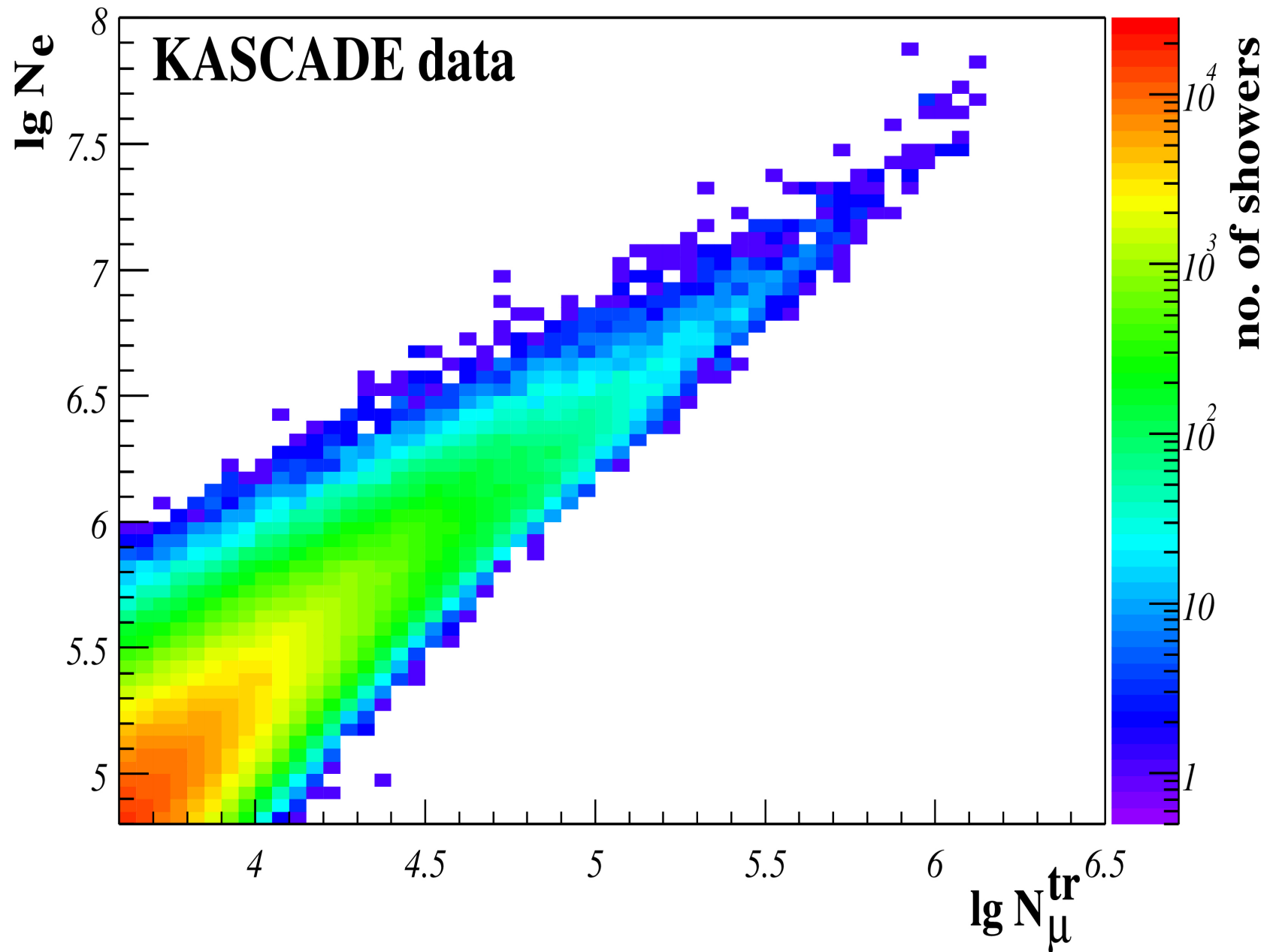
MC is used only for normalization.

Muon Tracking Detector

Muon production height used as a estimation of the particle mass

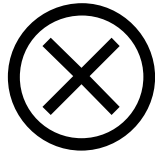
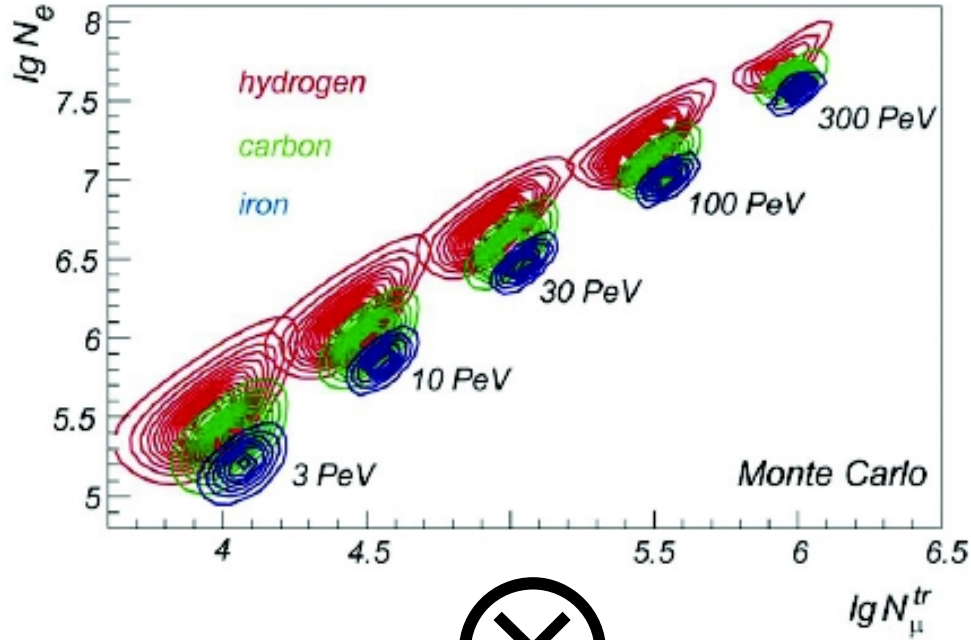


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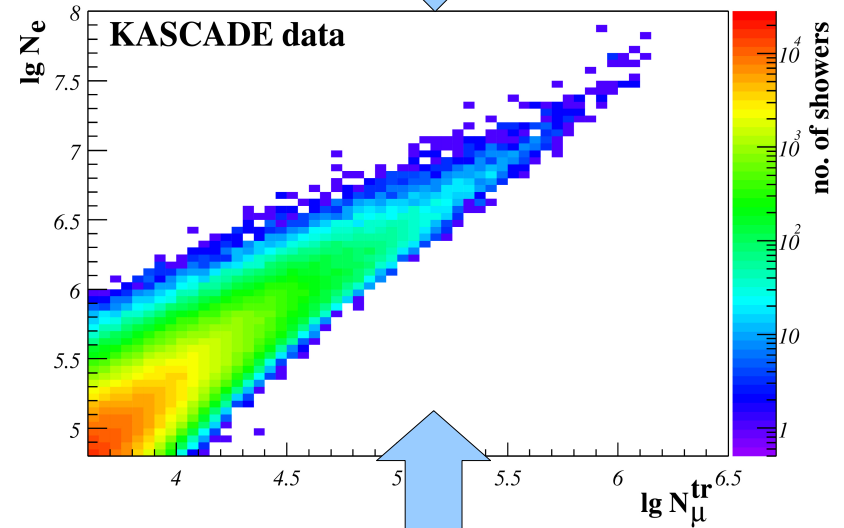


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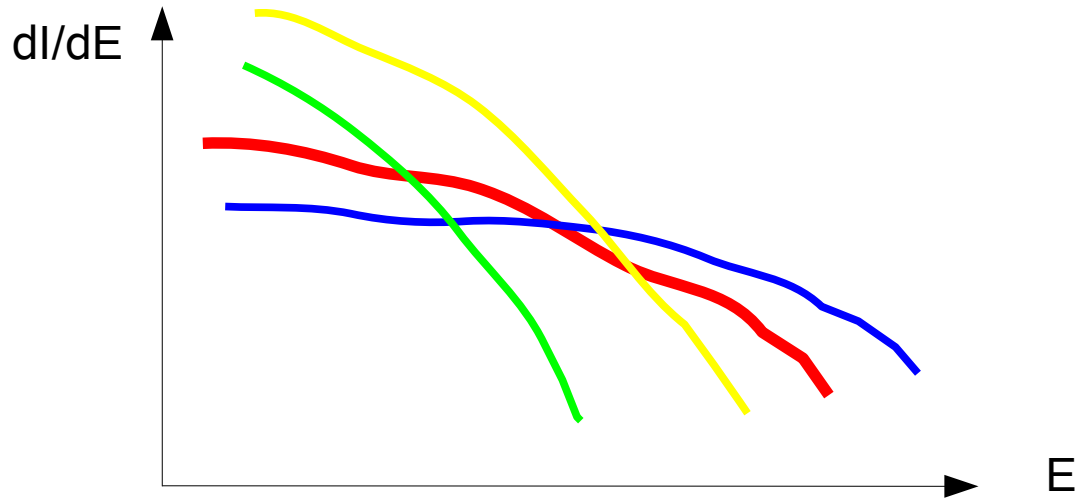
Simulation



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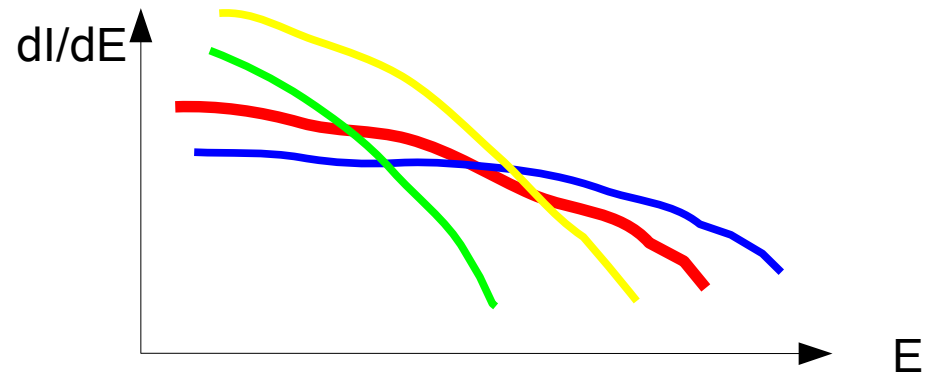
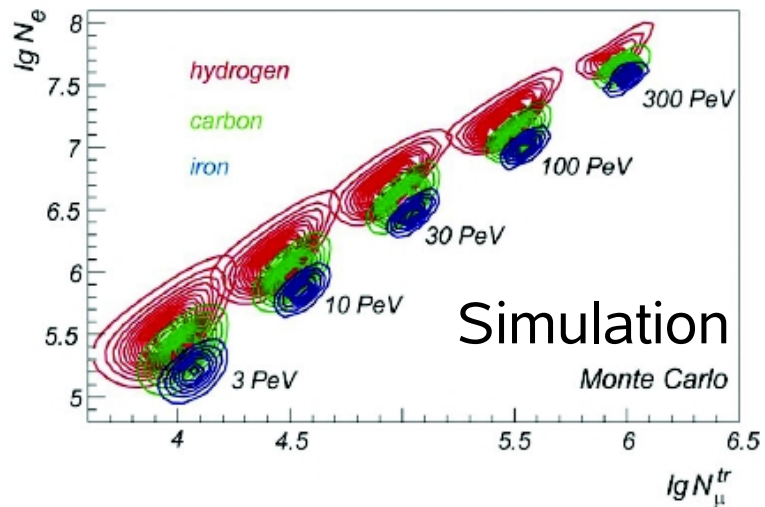
Energy spectrum
of each mass
component



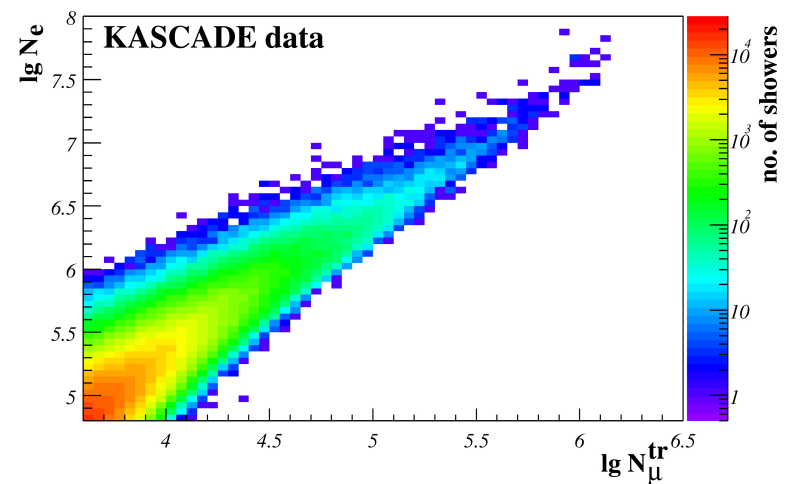
Unfold the 2D Spectrum

Given a probability density distribution

what is the energy spectrum of each mass component

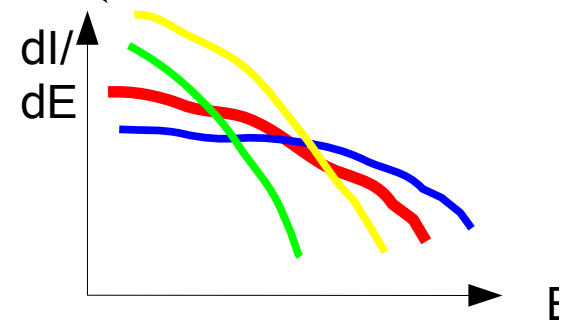
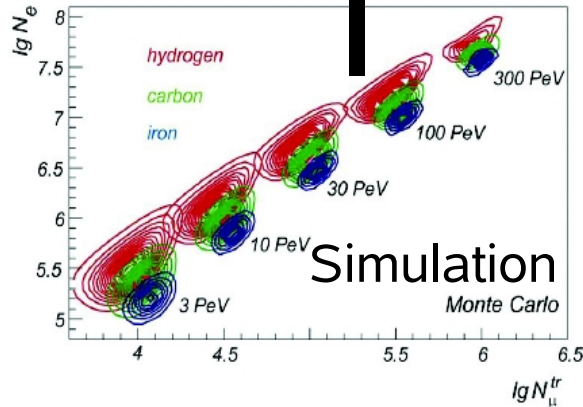
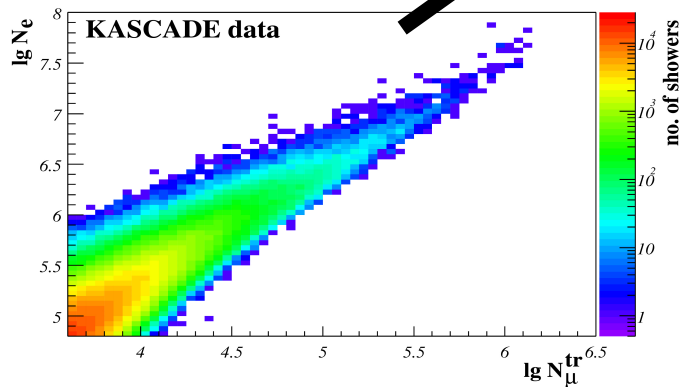


that best describes the data ?



Unfolding: Math

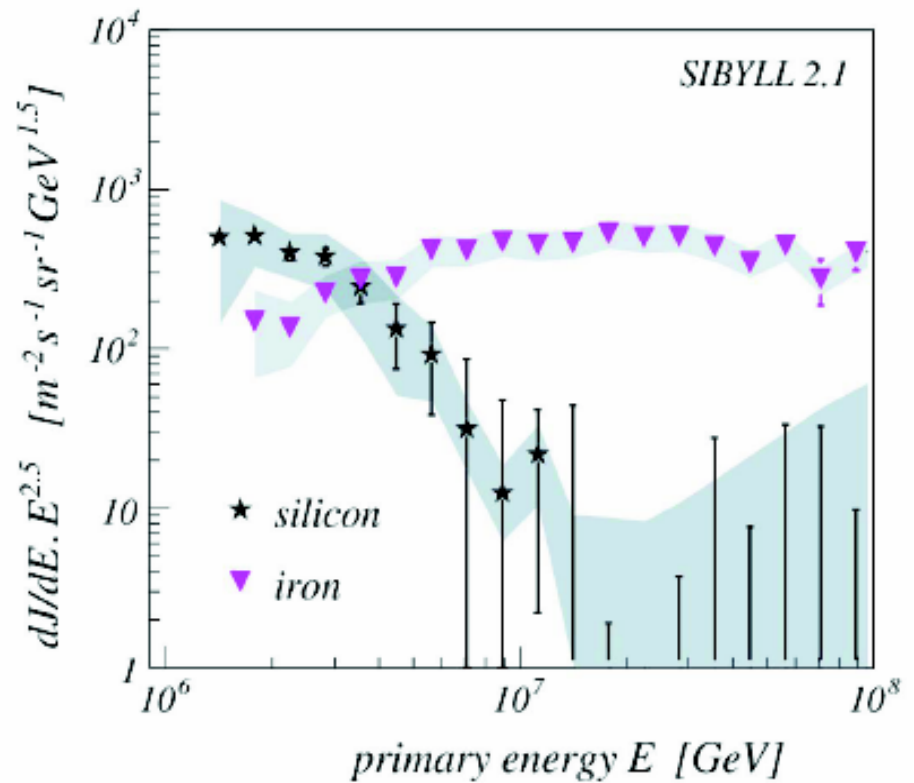
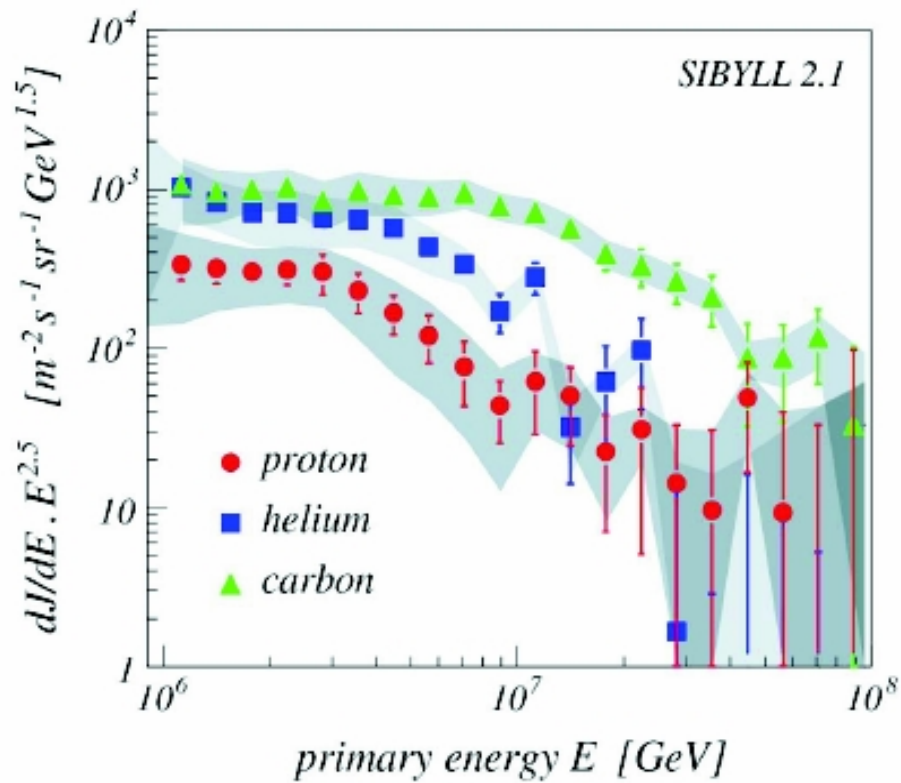
$$\vec{Y} = R \vec{X}$$



For details and full equations see:

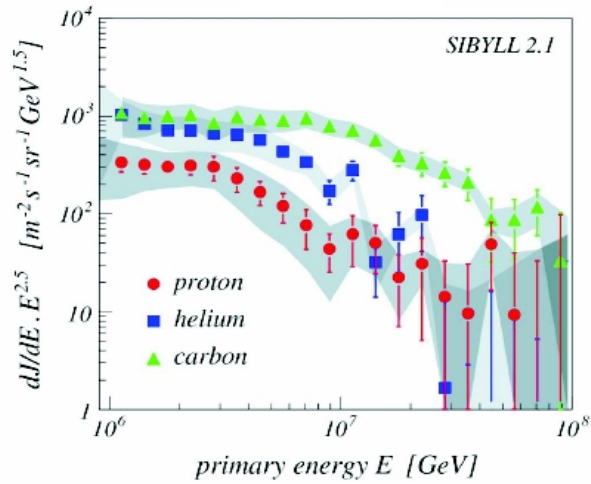
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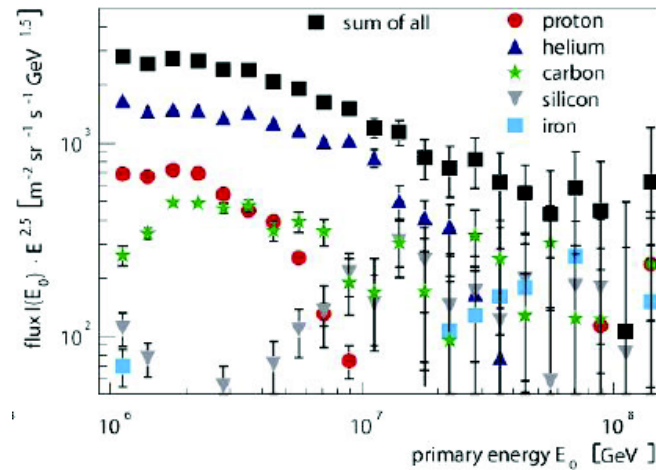


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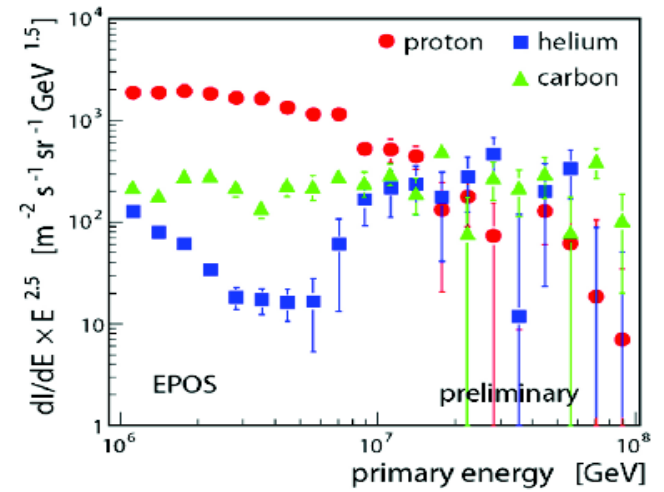
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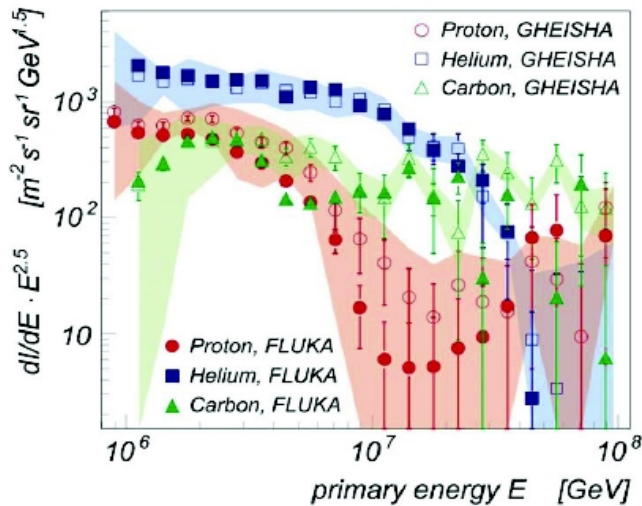
QGSJet 01



EPOS

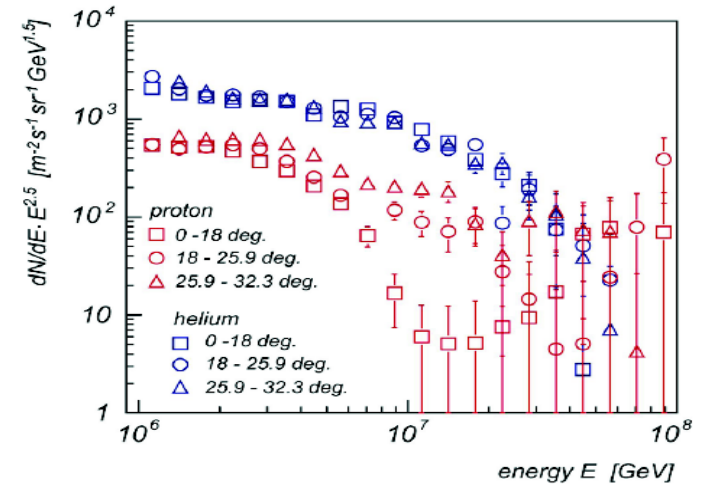


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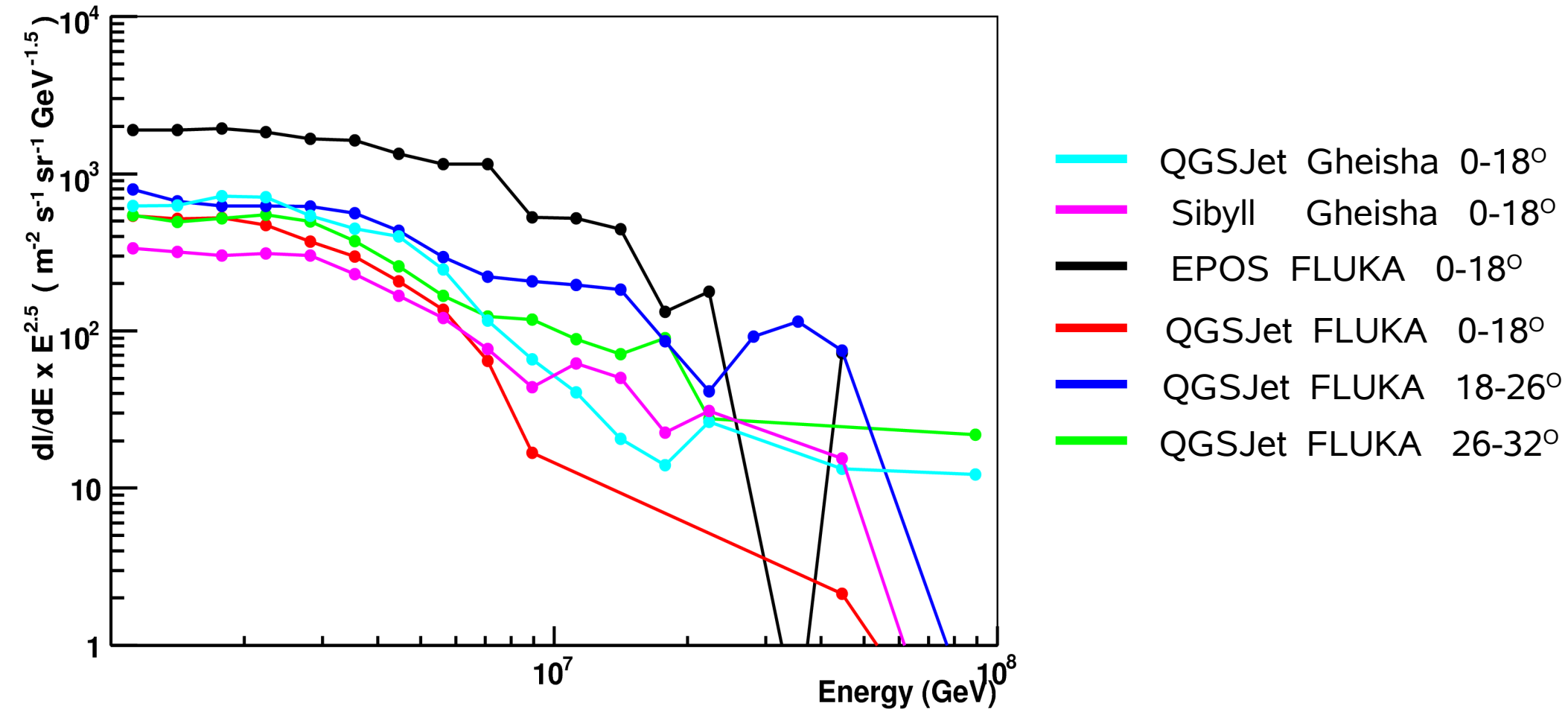
FIRST KNEE IS CAUSED
BY THE DECREASING
FLUX IN THE LIGHT
COMPONENT

ZENITH ANGLE

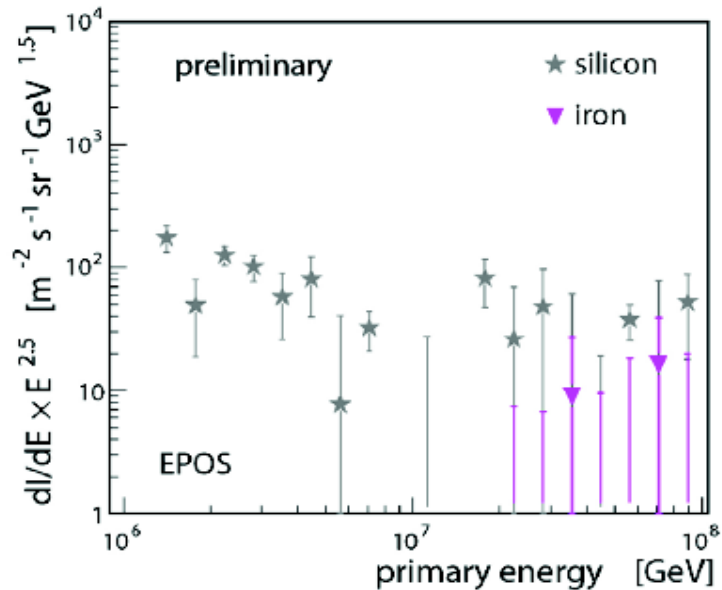
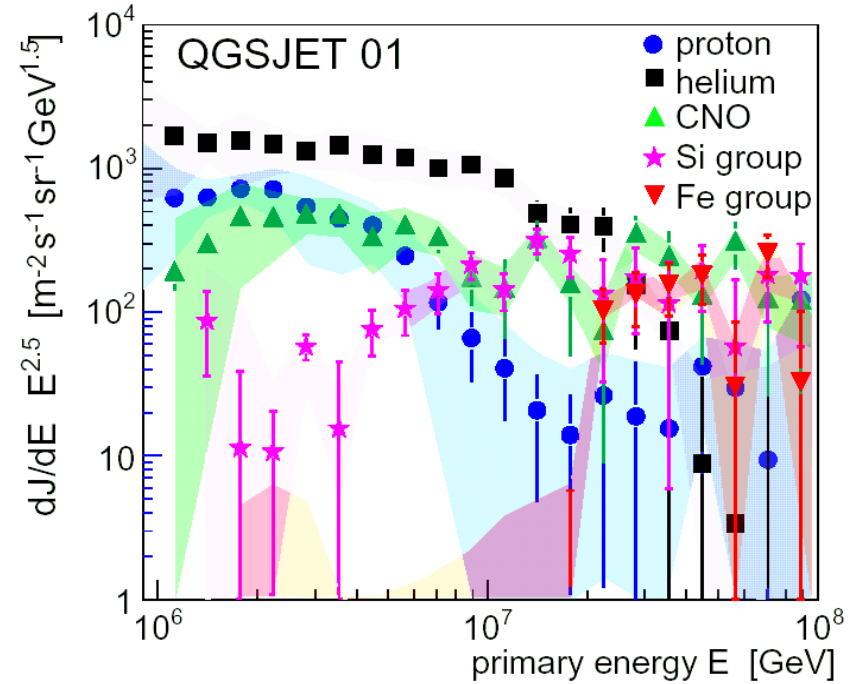
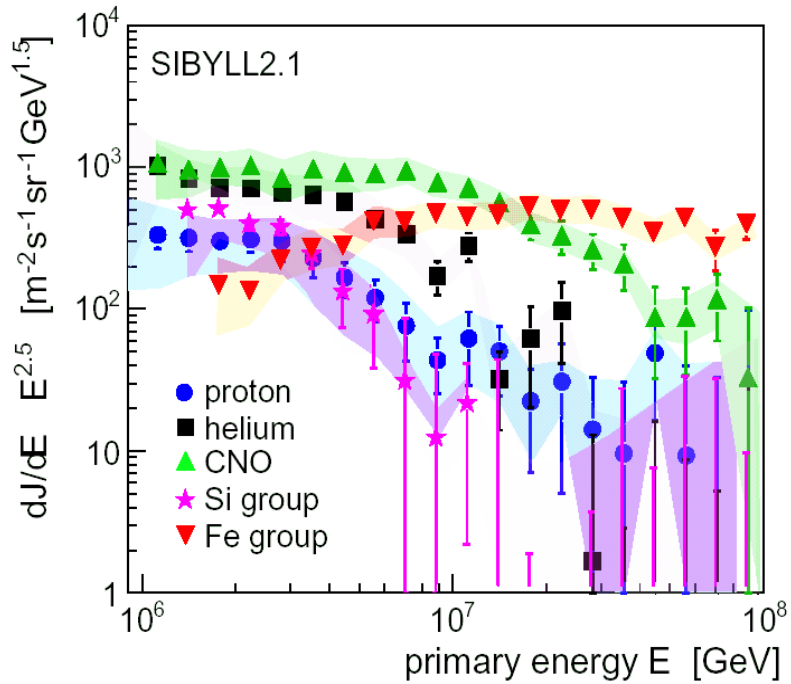


Proton Flux

First knee is caused by the decreasing flux in the light component



Heavy elements

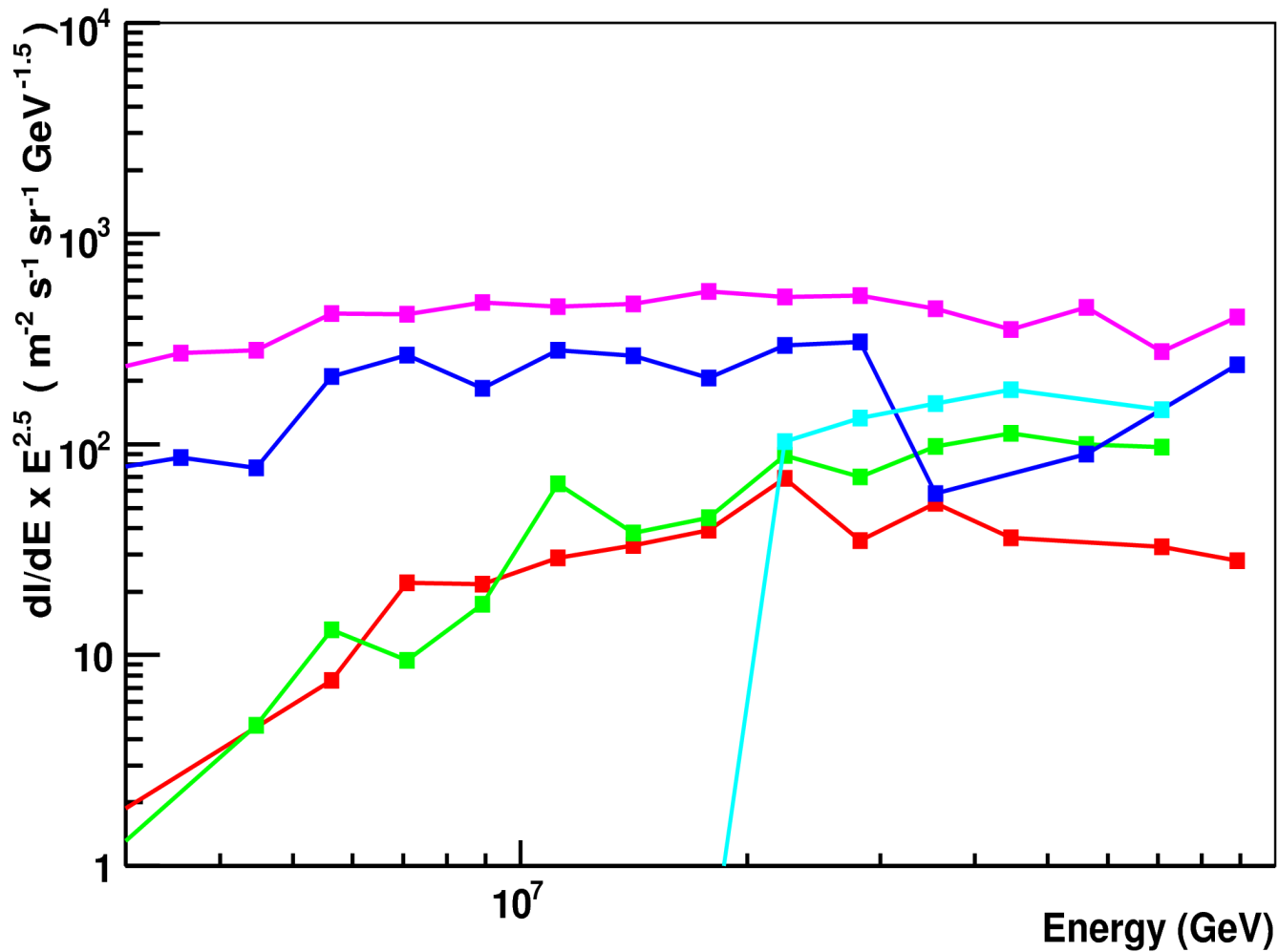


LARGER DEPENDENCE
ON HADRONIC
INTERACTION MODEL

Iron Flux

Few events
Larger dependence on models

Iron flux seems not
to decrease up to
 10^{17} eV.



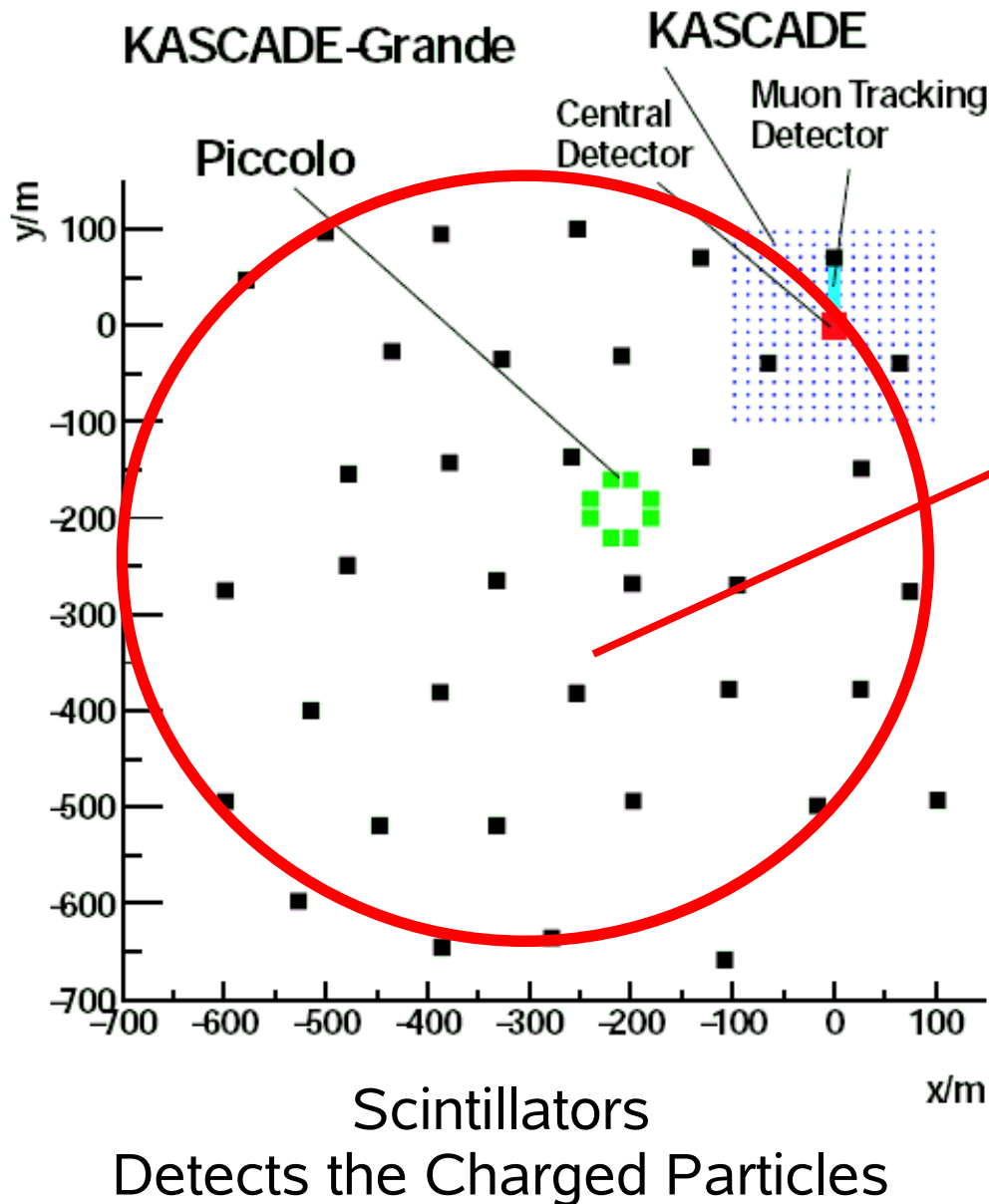
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EPOS FLUKA $0-18^\circ$
NO IRON

FIRST KNEE IS WELL MEASURED

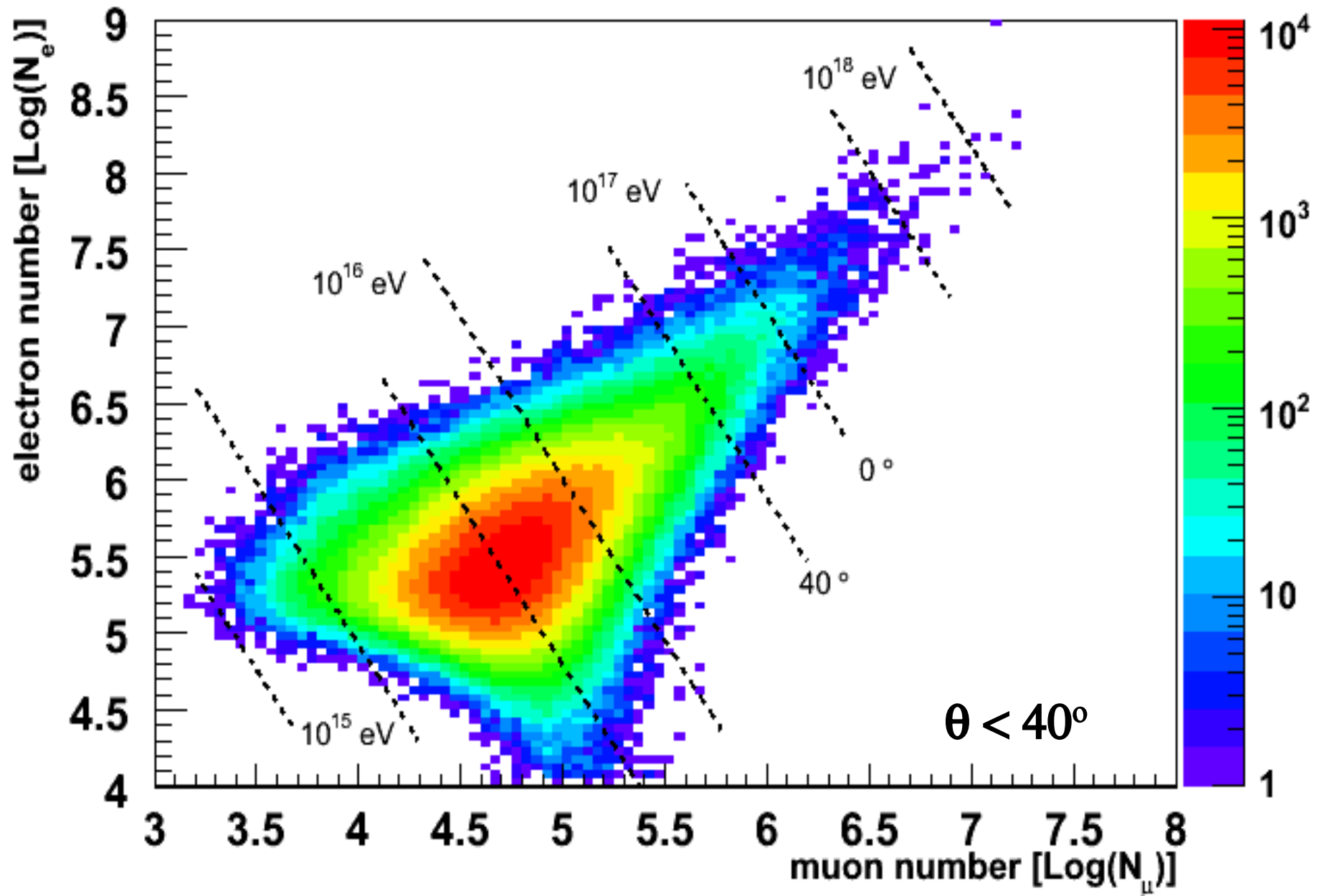
LET'S GO FOR THE SECOND KNEE

The Detectors: KASCADE-Grande

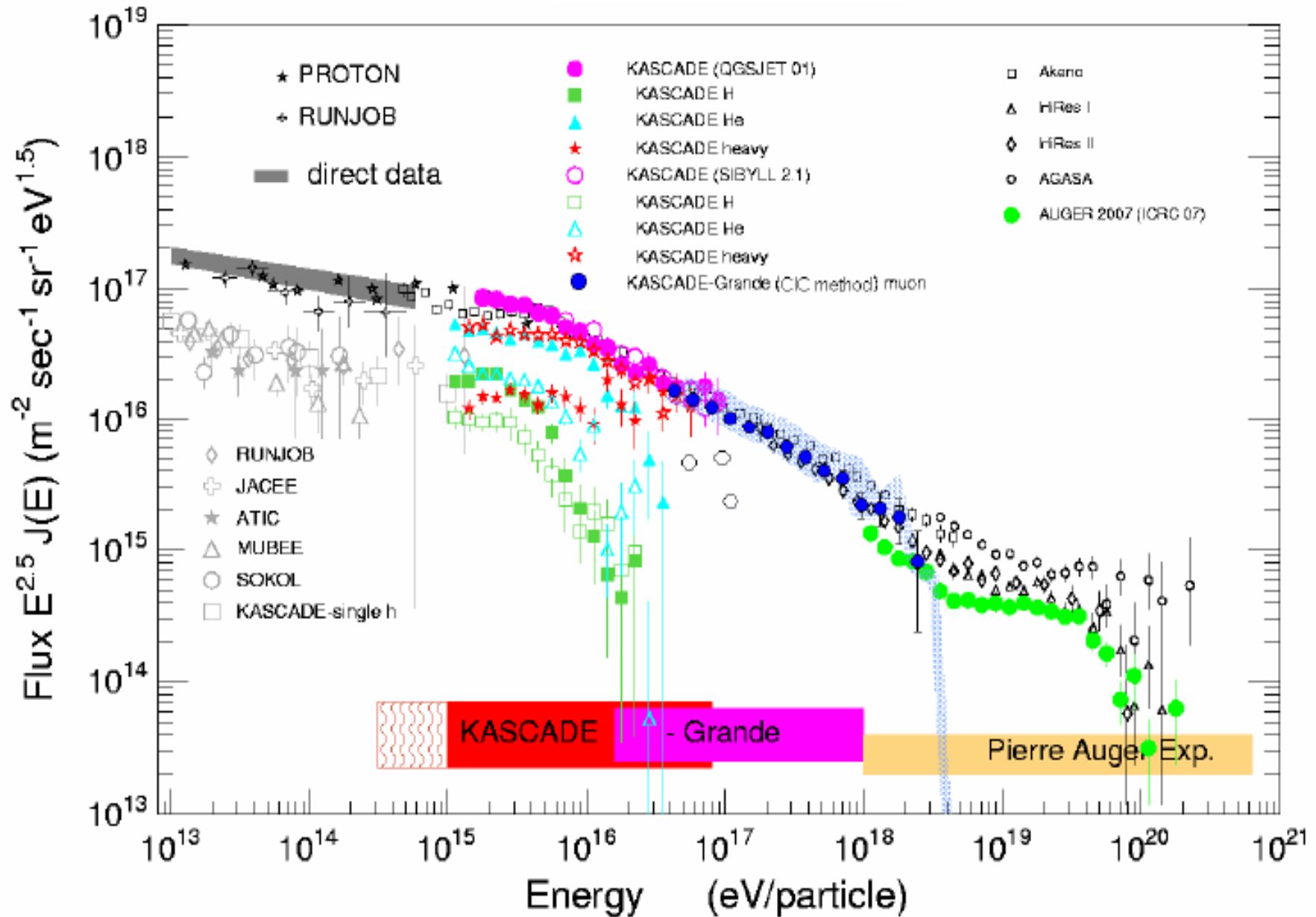


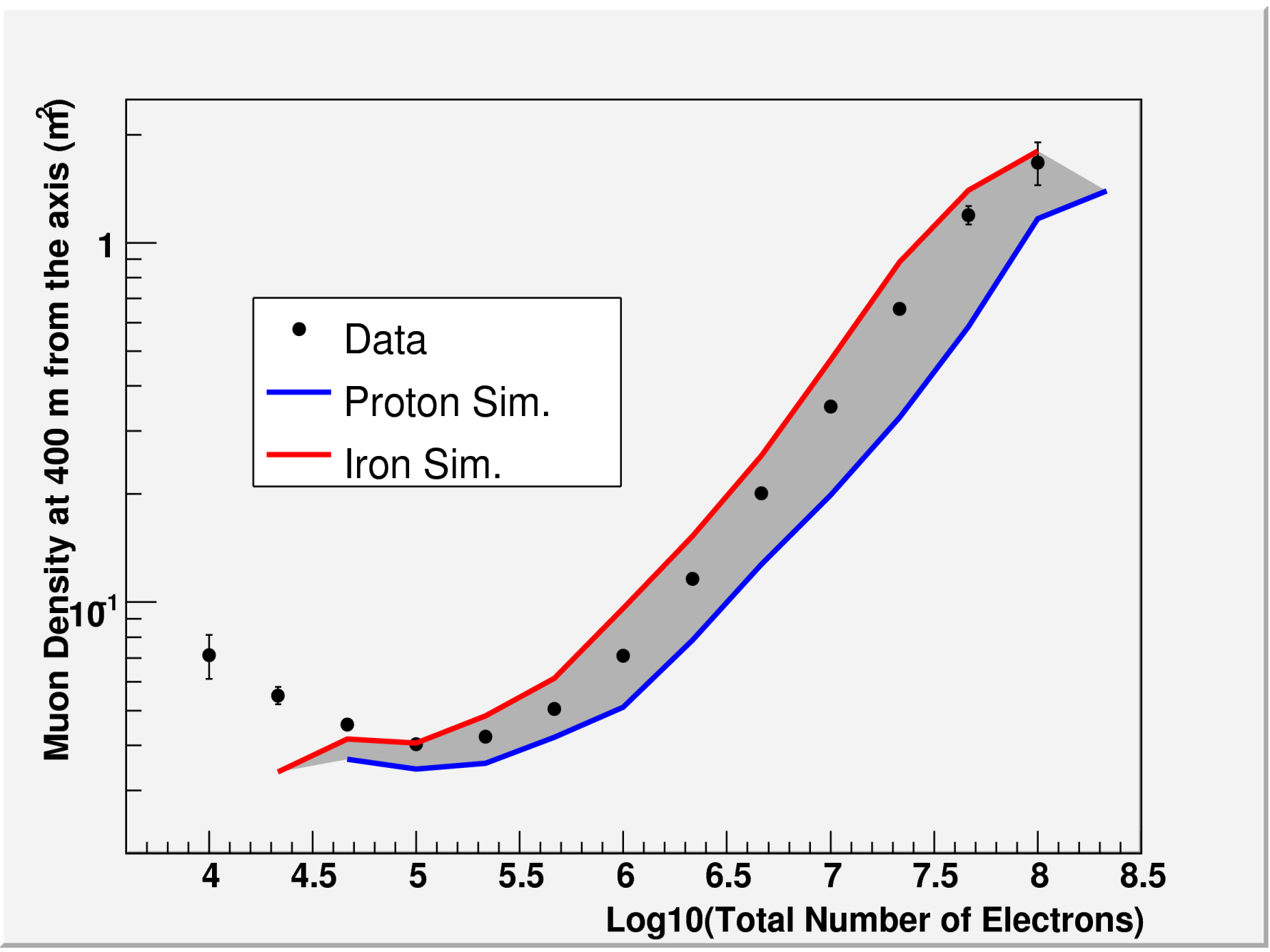
2.5 year of data
Preliminary results
Analysis in progress
 2×10^6 events

Basis for composition



Energy Spectrum





Second knee is being studied

The data is good

News coming soon

HADRONIC INTERACTION MODELS

EPOS

SIBYLL

QGSJET

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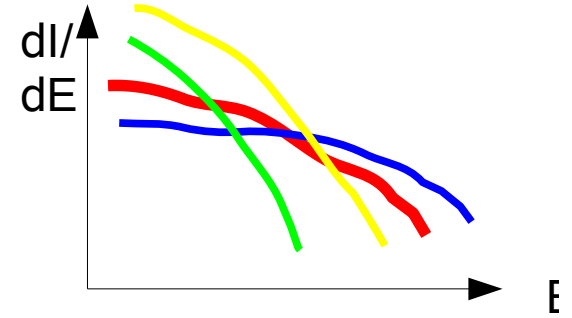
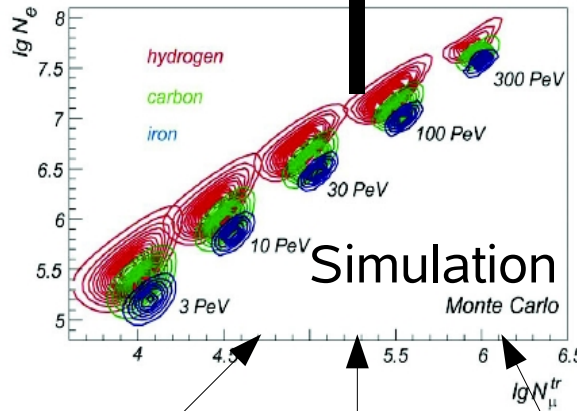
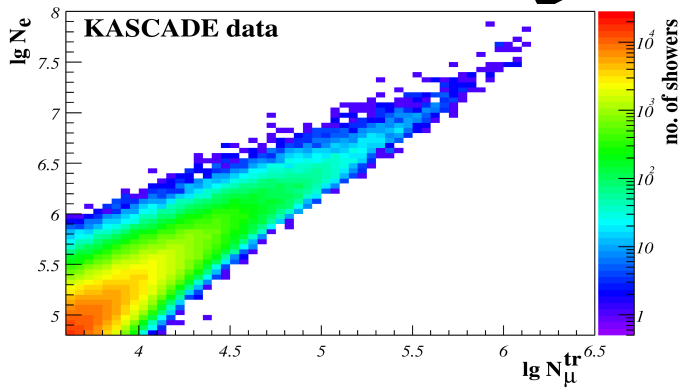
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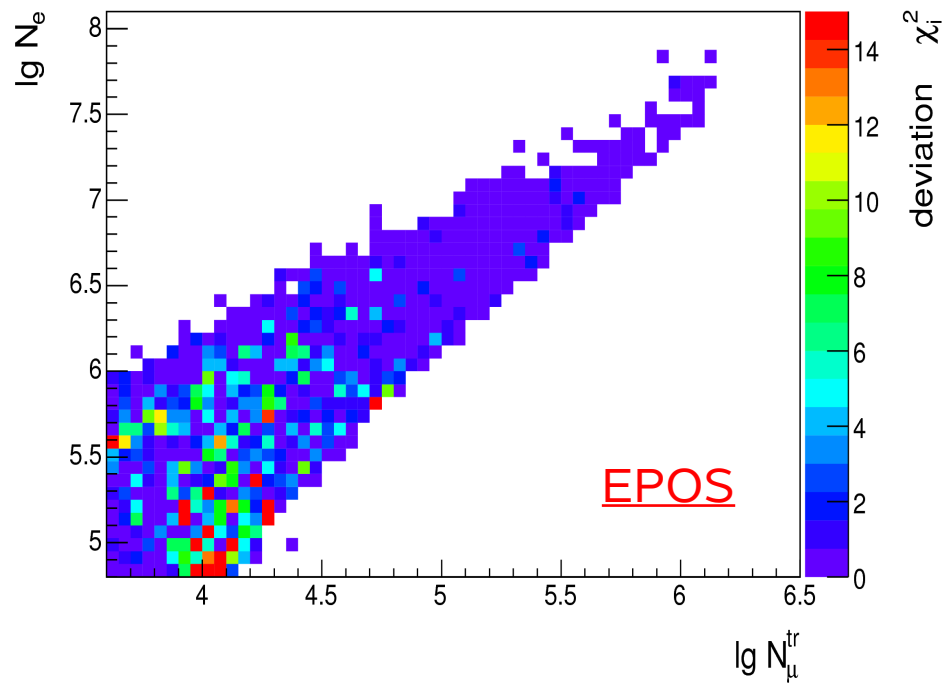
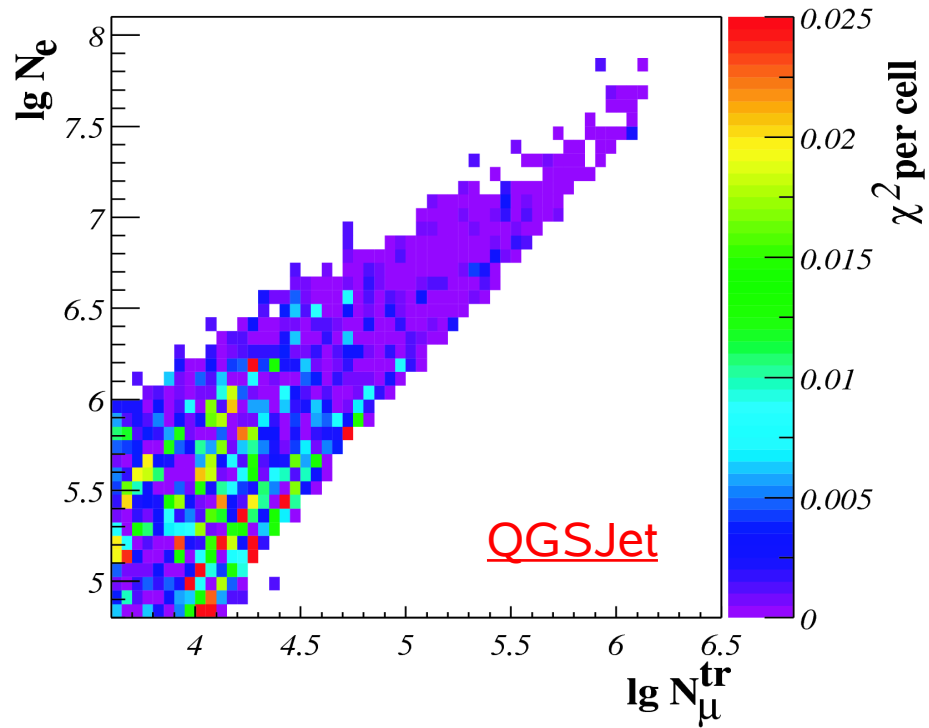
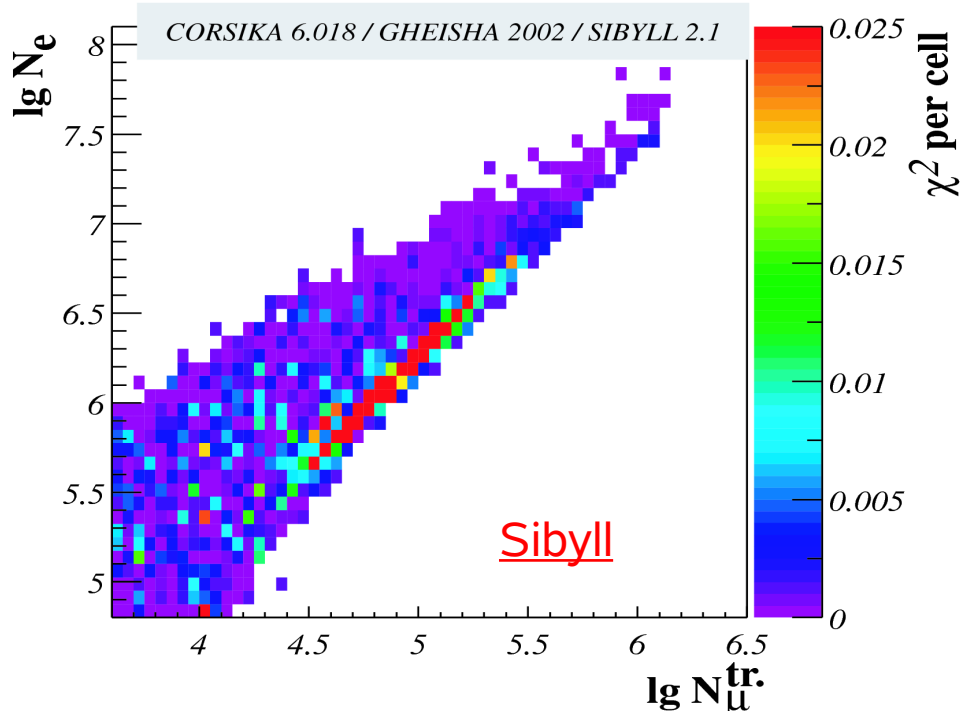
Unfolding: Math

$$\vec{Y} = R \vec{X}$$



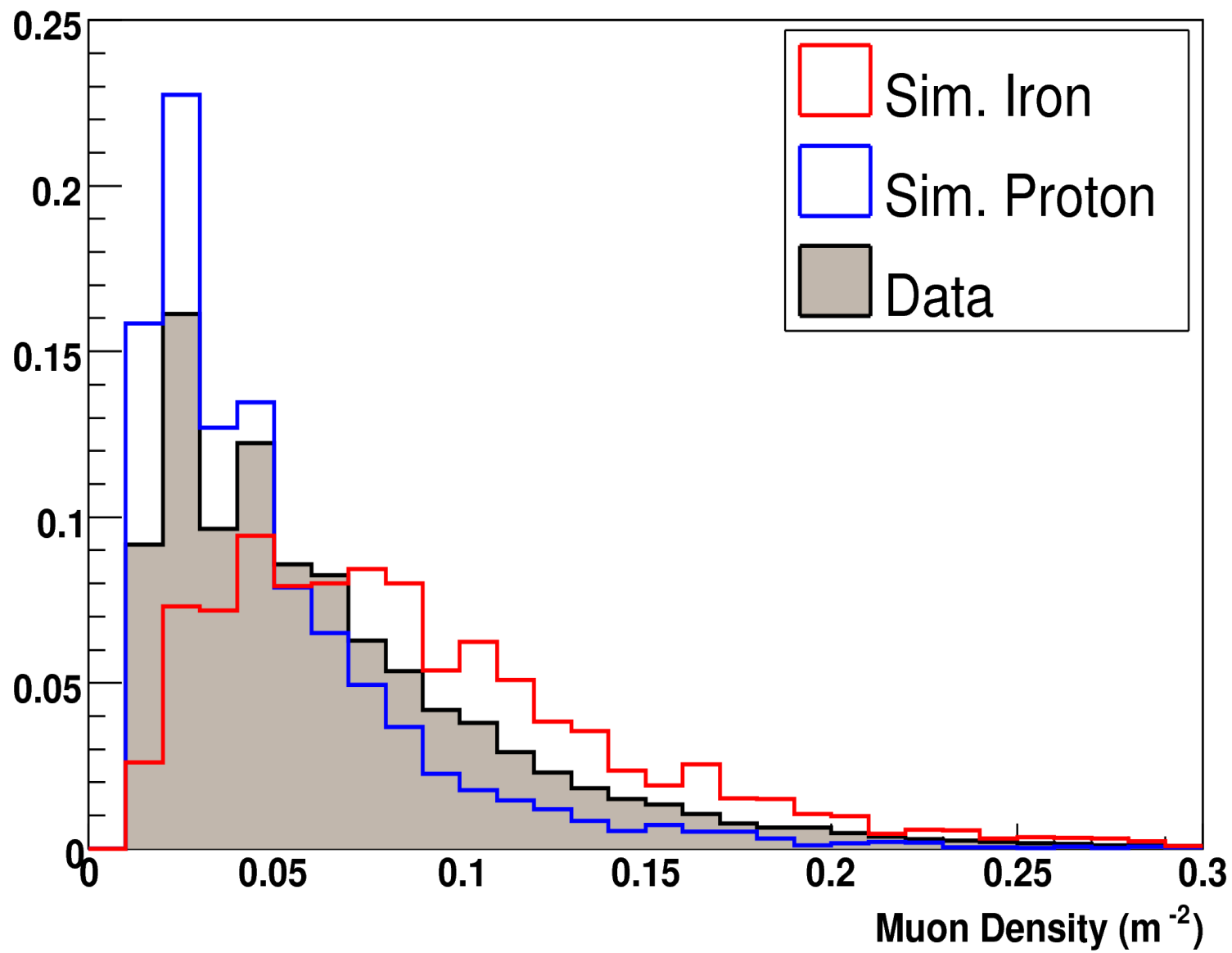
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Calculate a Chi-square for each model

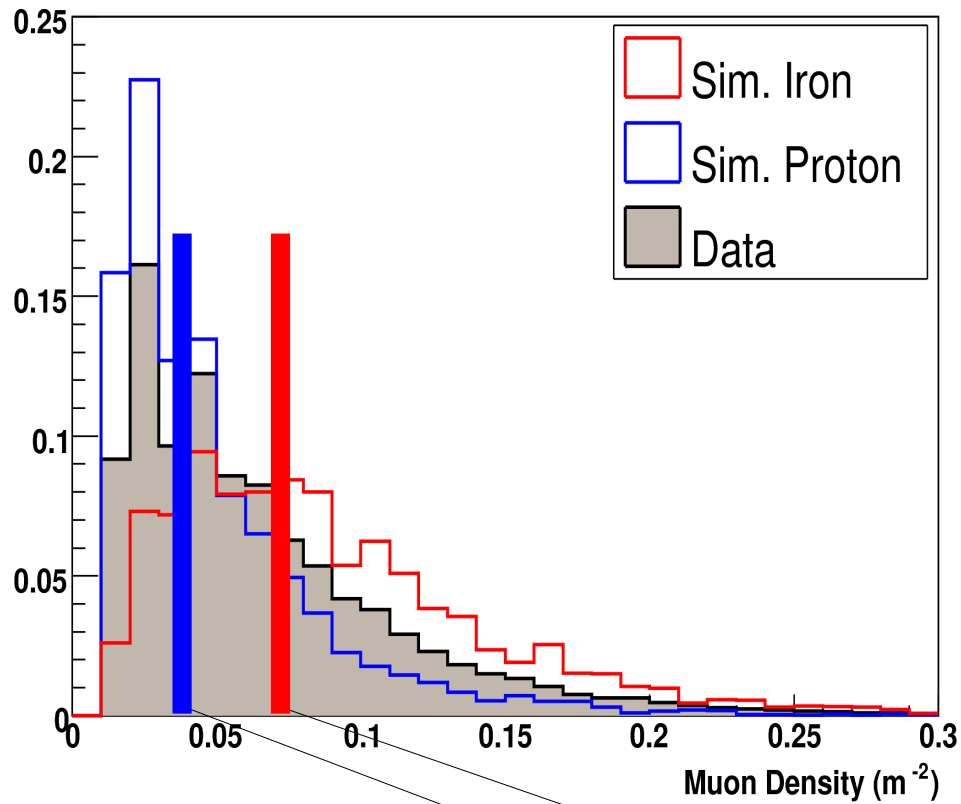


Hadronic Interaction Models

- Muon density measured by KASCADE
- Direct measurement
- Bins of 20 meters distance of the shower axis
- Minor dependency on LDFs fit
- Total number of electrons and energy are used only for binning purposes

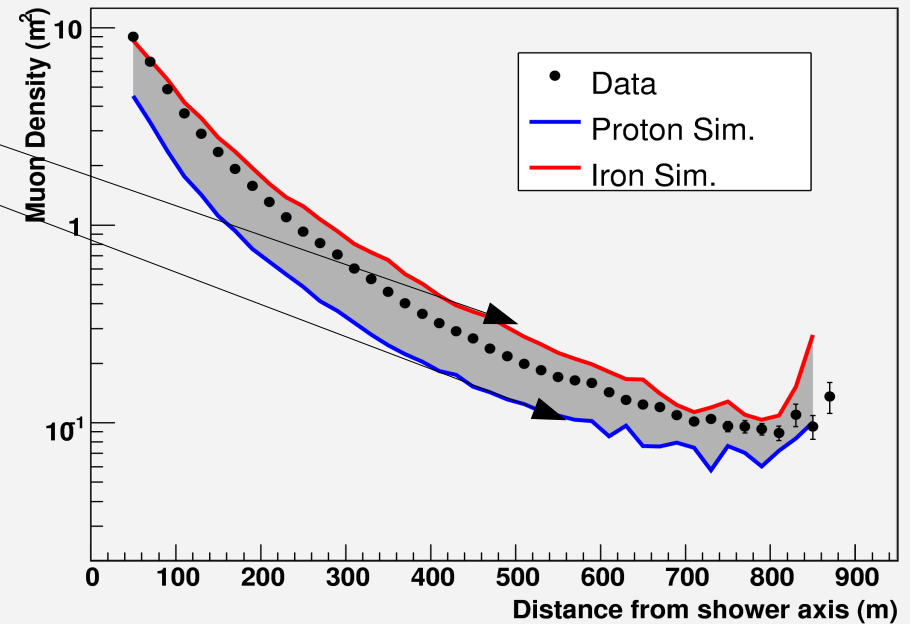


CORSIKA (QGSJet II)



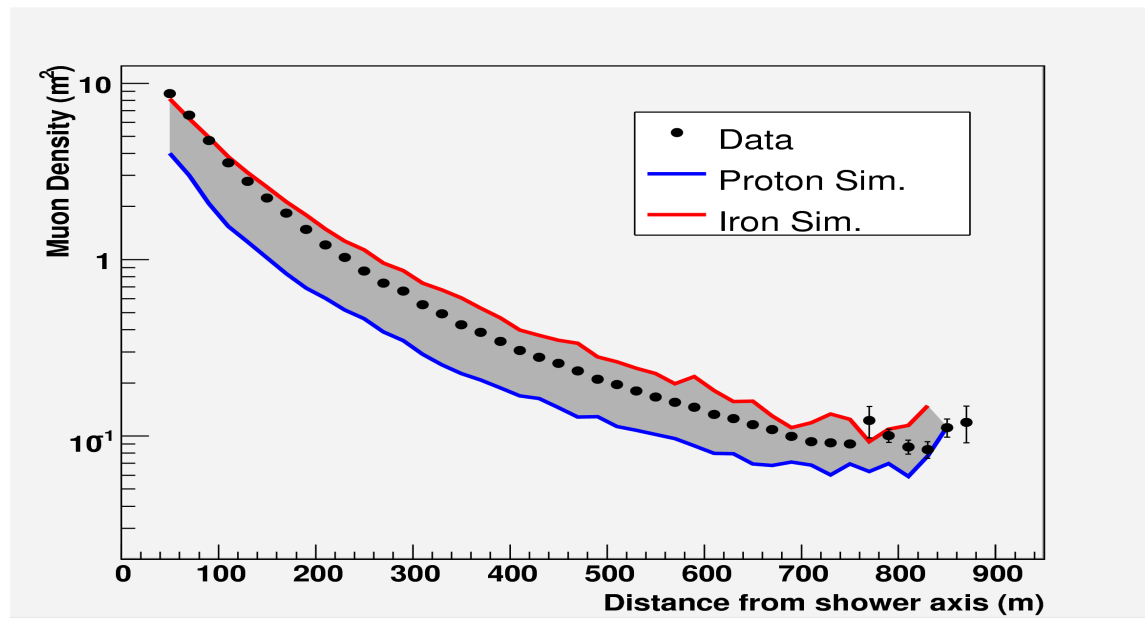
Evolution of
 mean values.
 Error bars gives
 the error of
 the mean.

Mean limit
 of the simulation

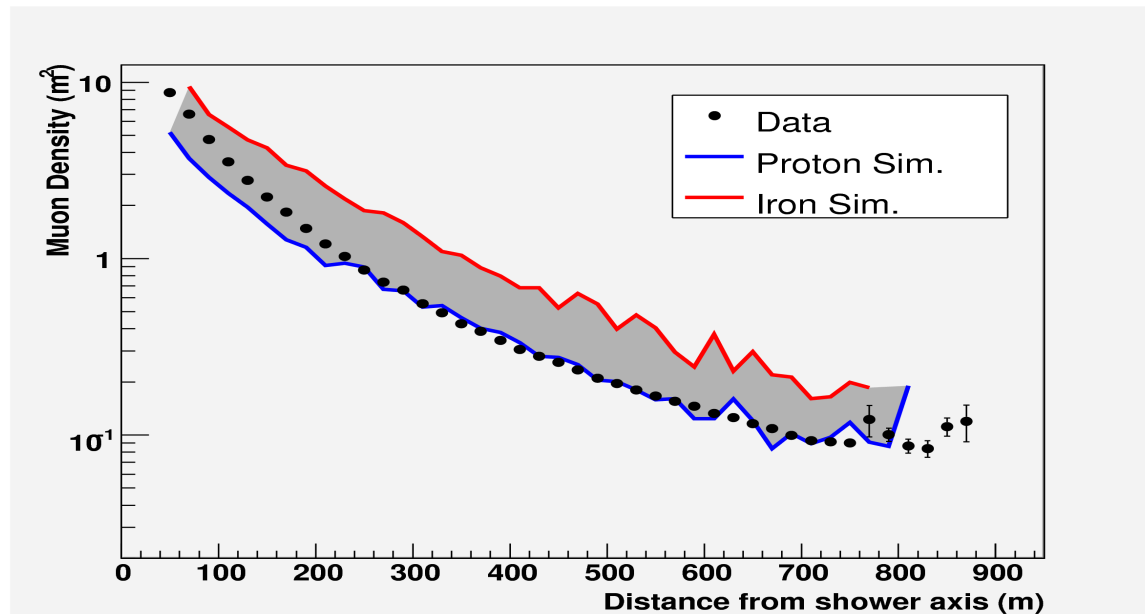


Hadronic Interaction Models

QGSJet II



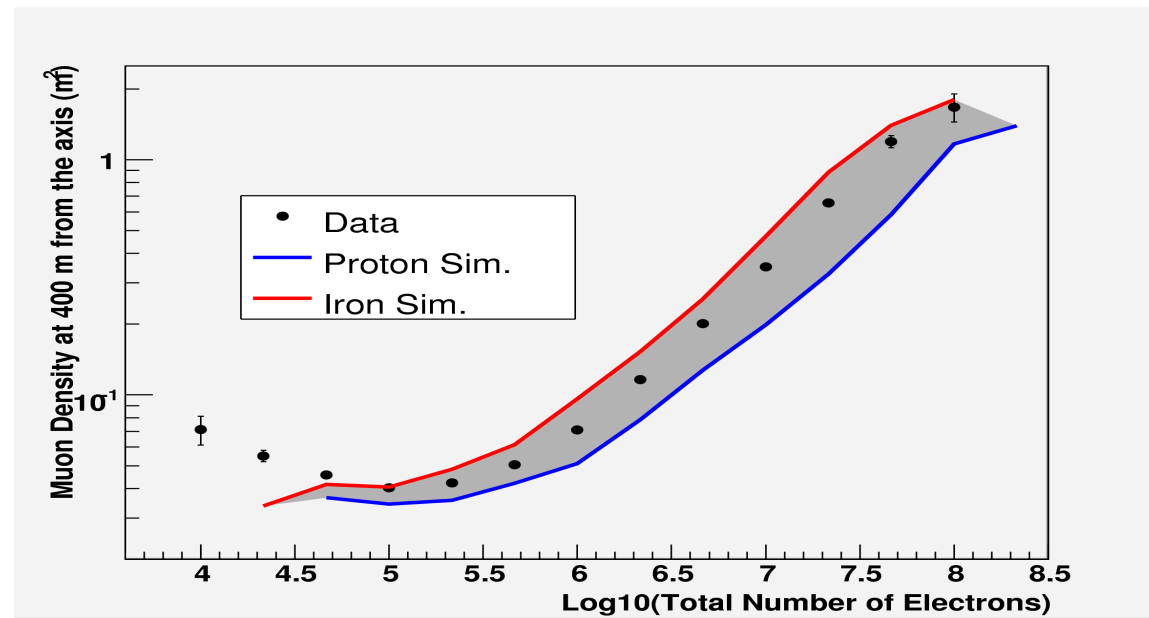
EPOS



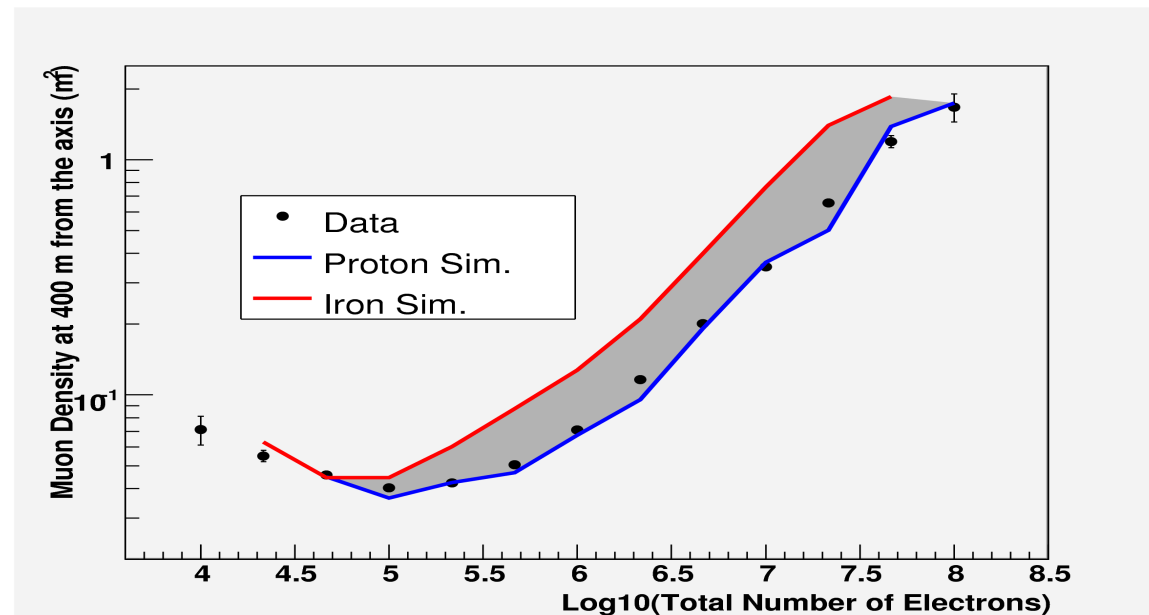
$7.0 < \text{Log}_{10}(\text{Number of Electrons}) < 7.3$

Hadronic Interaction Models

QGSJet II



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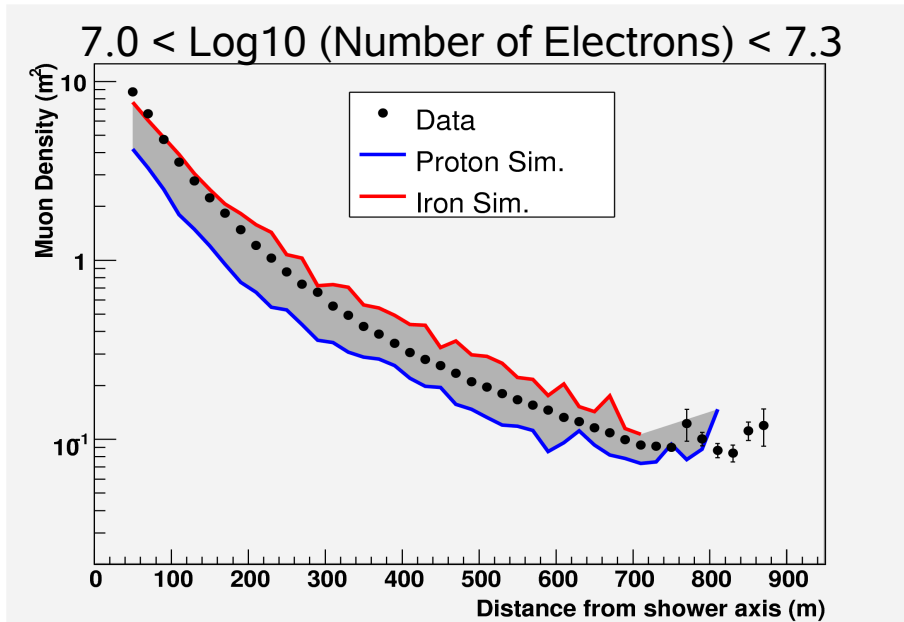


Remark

EPOS can not describe the muon data

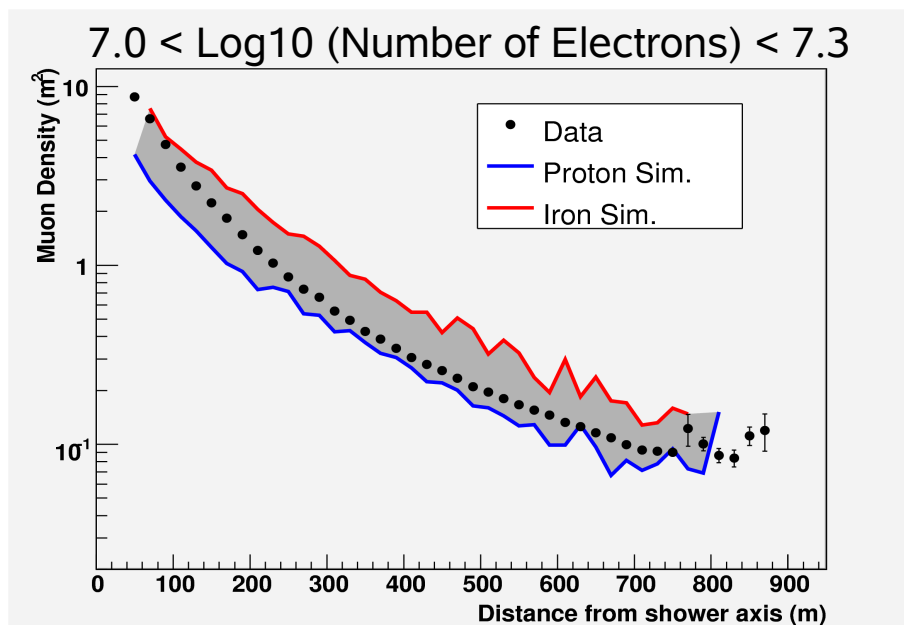
QGSJet II is in good agreement with the muon data

Hints for EPOS



Electrons up by
50 %

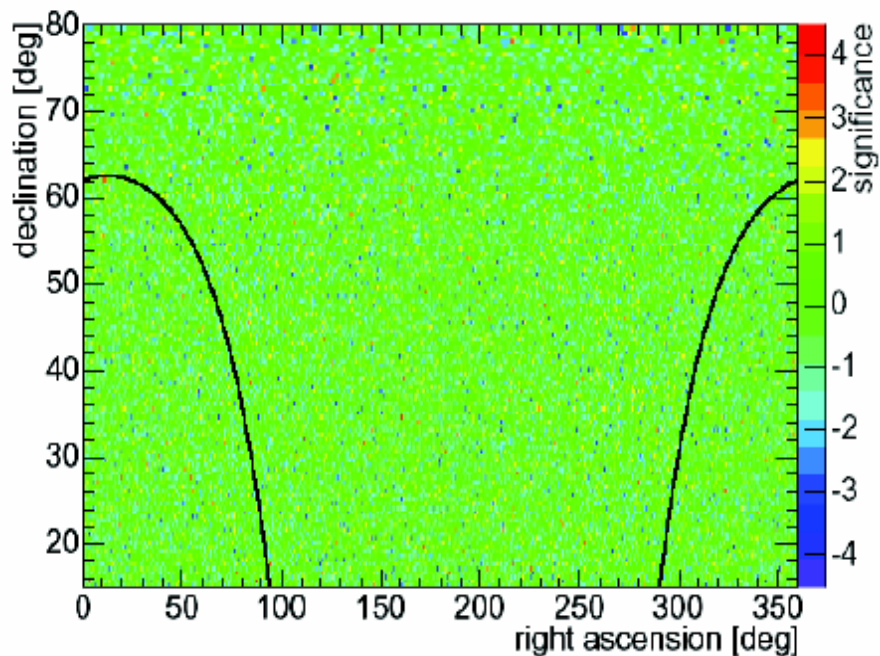
Arbitrary Shift



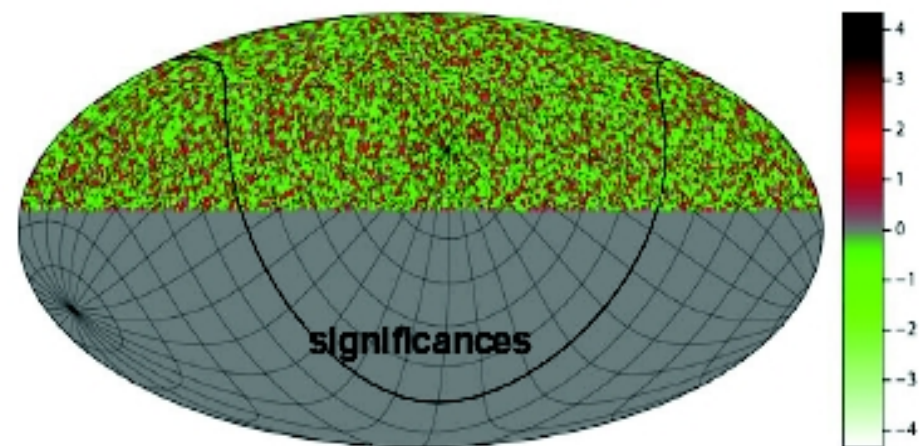
Muons down by
20 %

Anisotropy

KASCADE

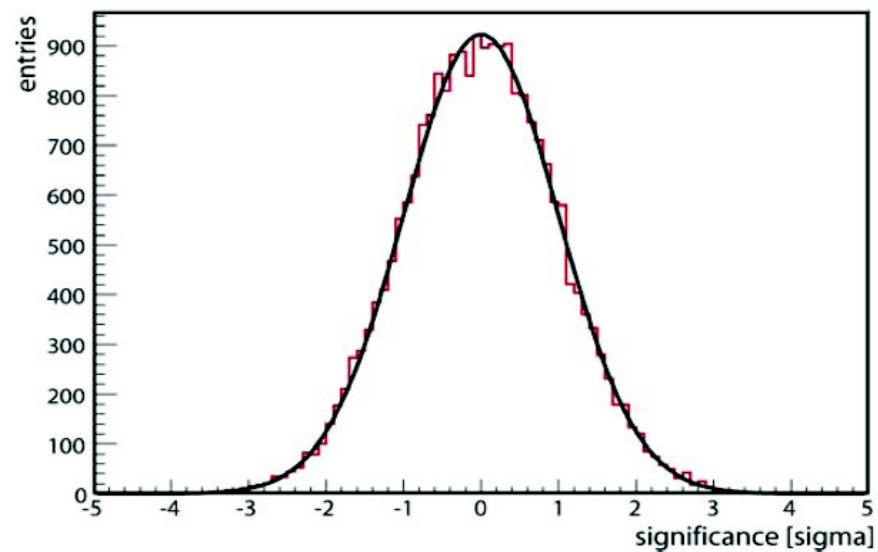


GRANDE



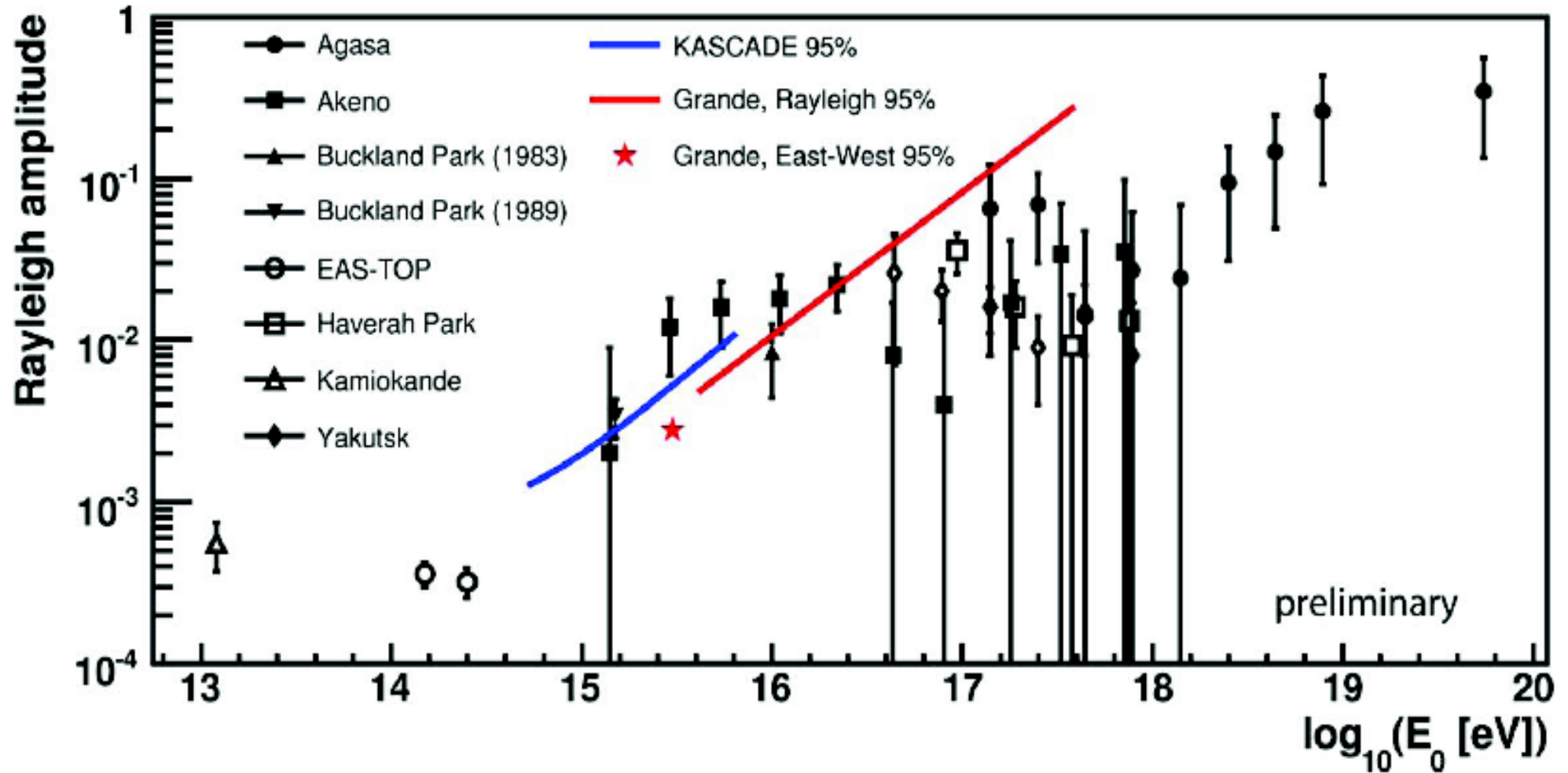
NO POINT SOURCES

$$10^{15} < E < 10^{18} \text{ eV}$$



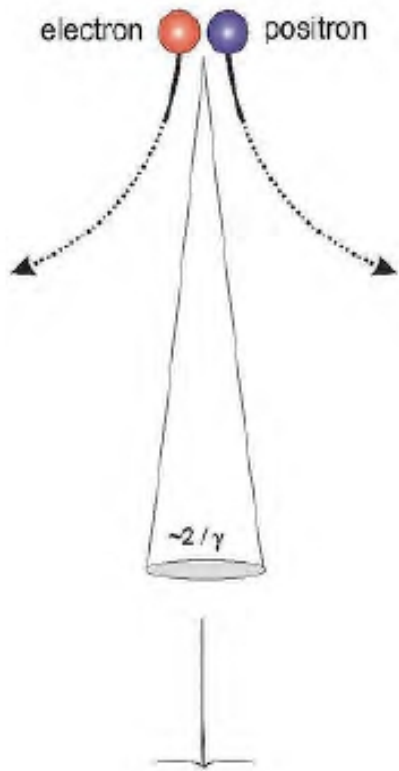
Significance distribution

Anisotropy



NO LARGE SCALE ANISOTROPY

Radio Emission



- Charge separation in Earth's magnetic field

classical electric dipole

- Gyration of particles

emission of synchrotron radiation

- Particles are in a shower thin disk

coherent emission

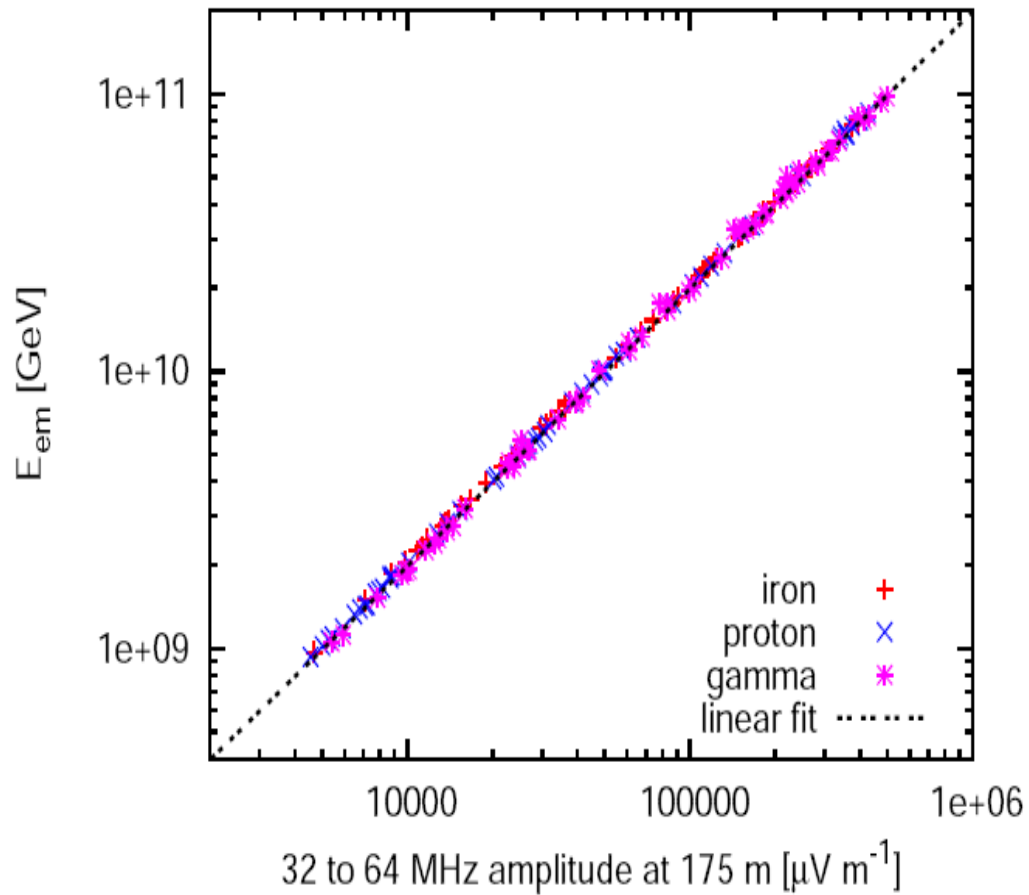
beamed into propagation direction

- Timescales for pulses are relativistically shortened

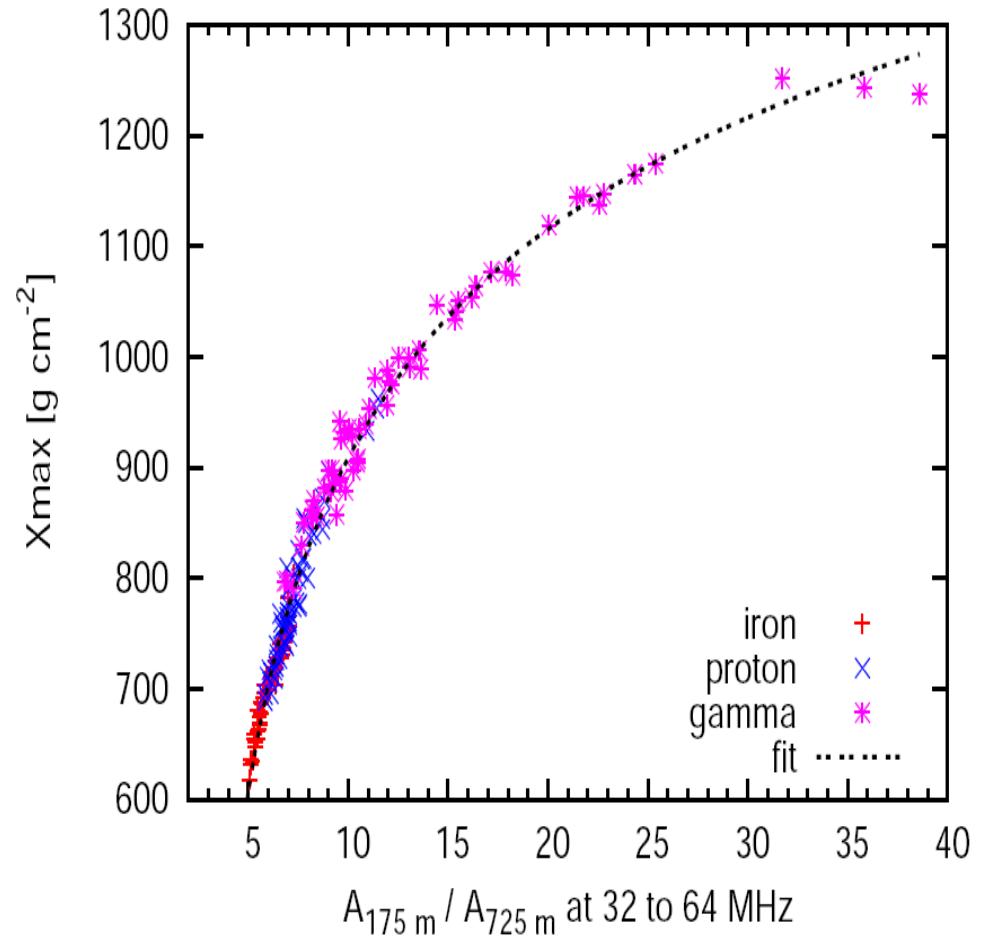
pulse 10-100 ns

Radio Signal

Monte Carlo simulation



Energy reconstruction



Composition

Hardware of LOPES

LOPES-Antenna



- short dipole
- beamwidth 80°-120° (parallel/perpendicular to dipole)

Receiver Module



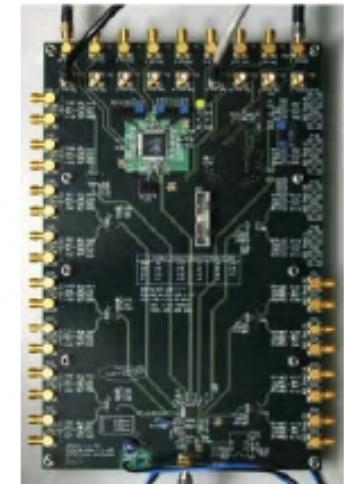
- direct sampling with minimal analog parts: amplifier, filter, AD-converter
- sampling with 80MSPS in the 2nd Nyquist domain of the ADC

Memory Buffer



- uses PC133-type memory
- up to 6.1 s per channel
- pre- and post-trigger capability

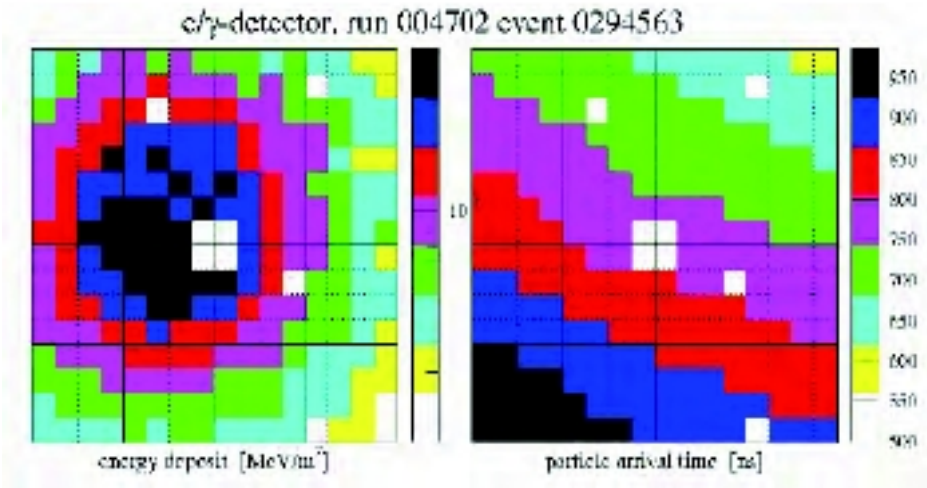
Clock and Trigger Board



- generates and distributes clock and accepts and distributes trigger

First light

KASCADE

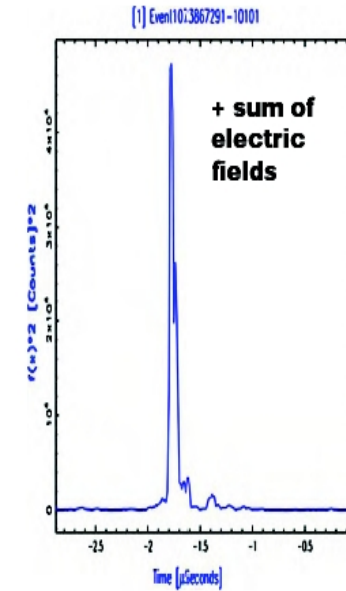


Energy $\approx 10^{17}$ eV

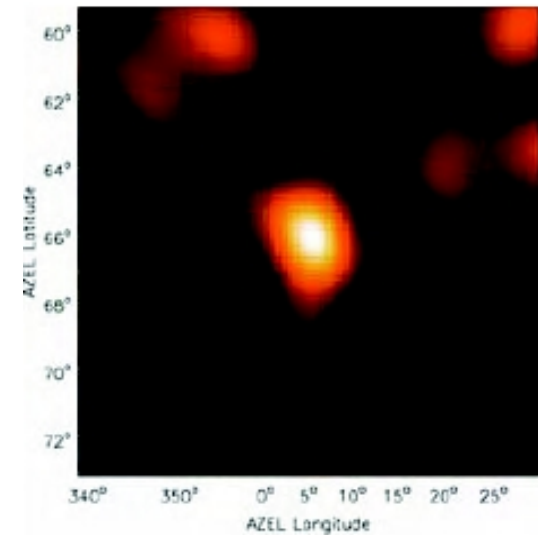
Core surrounded by antennas

$\Theta = 25.5^\circ$, $\Phi = 42.5^\circ$

TRIGGER

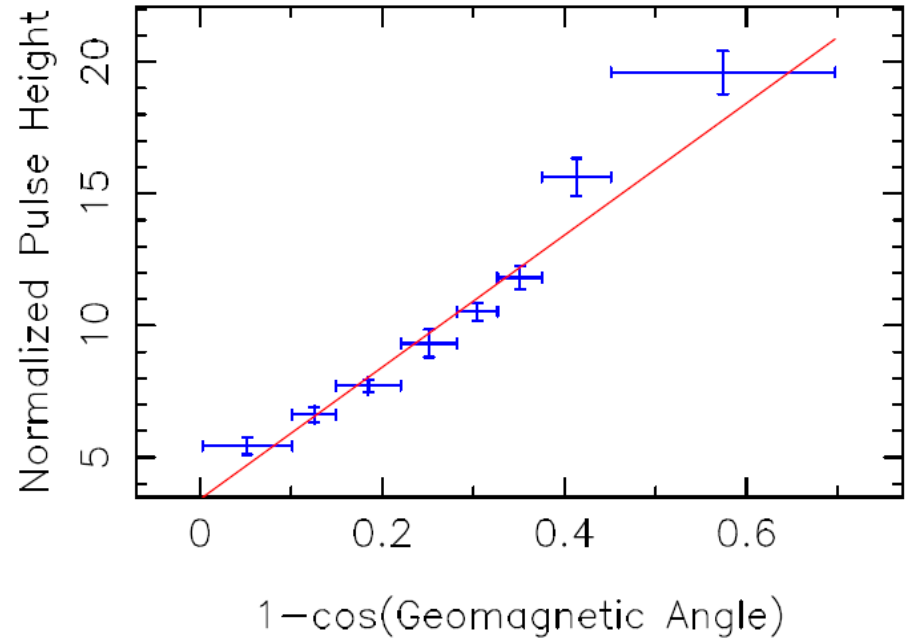
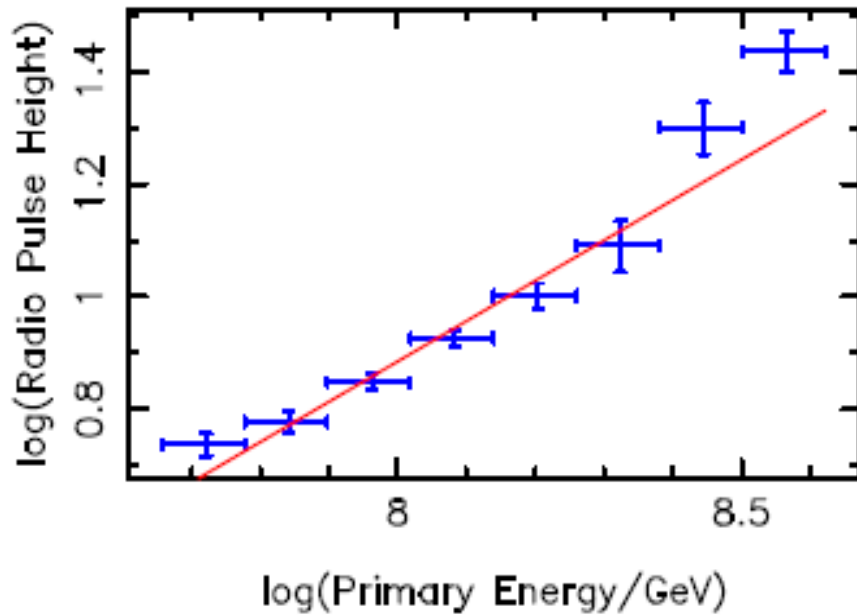


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LOPES

LOPES Results



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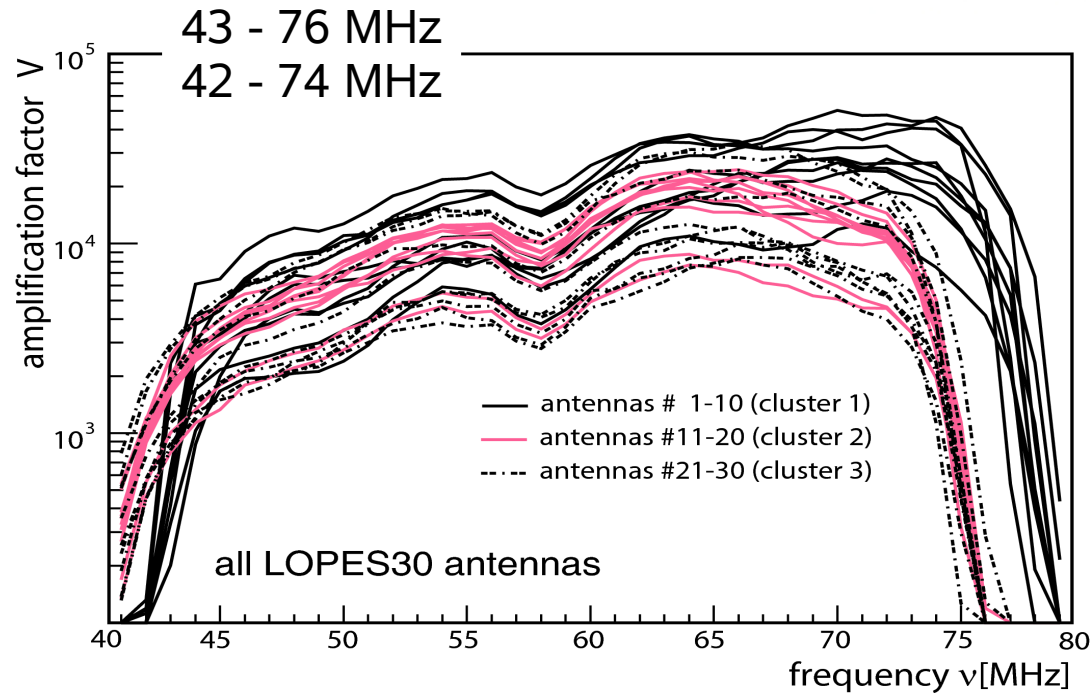
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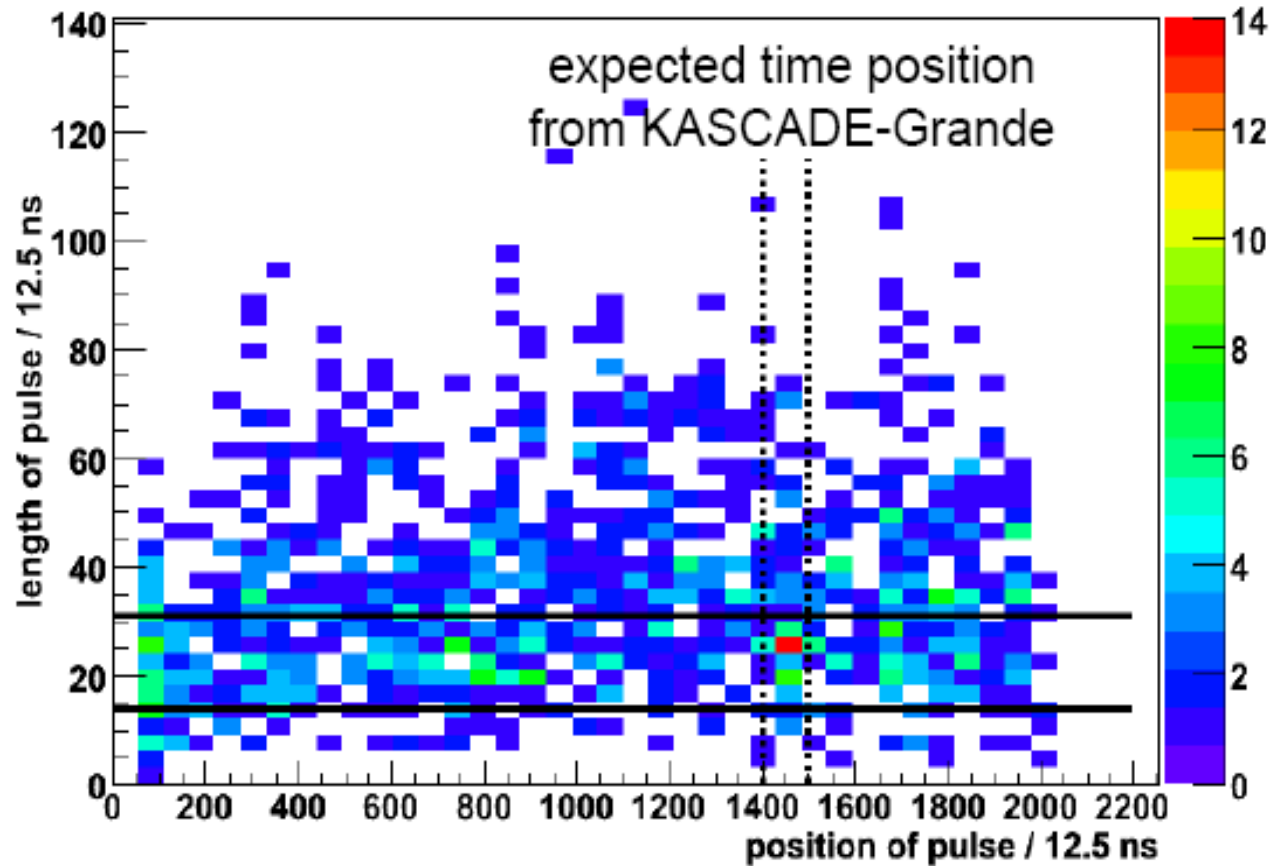
LOPES 30

30 antennas
Absolute Calibration
Trigger from:
KASCADE + Grande



G. Isar et al., ICRC2007
S. Nehls et al., ICRC2007

LOPES STAR



27 days of data

102000 Triggers

12 Selected Candidates

5 Correlates with KASCADE-Grande events

Final Remarks

- Independent analysis show the decrease of the light component flux
 - lateral distribution of muon
 - total muon number versus total electron number
 - muon production height
- The knee position vary with the primary particle
- No knee in the iron component was measured but results depends on hadronic interaction model

Final Remarks

- New data from KASCADE-Grande
 - Total number of electron and muon spectra
 - Few events around 10^{18} eV
 - Energy spectrum in agreement with KASCADE
- No anisotropy seen, limits on flux were set
- High level of activity in radio: detection, simulation and analysis.

Final Remarks

- Hadronic Interaction Models
 - First knee can be safely studied
 - Second knee might need some new analysis procedures
 - All hadronic interaction models have problems to fully describe the data in a consistent way

Final Remarks

- QGSJet
 - good agreement muon number
 - problems at lower energies to reproduce a combined electron and muon measurements
- Sibyll
 - severe problems to describe the intermediate range
($\text{Log}_{10} N_{\mu} \sim 5$ and $\text{Log}_{10} N_e \sim 6$)
- EPOS
 - version 1.6 has problems to describe the data
 - new EPOS version is being prepared

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