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# Ultra-high-energy cosmic-rays & Large Hadron Collider data<sup>(\*)</sup>

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*(\*) Data-MC comparisons from:*

*DdE, R.Engel, S.Ostapchenko, T.Pierog, K. Werner: in preparation*

# Overview

- Ultra-High-Energy Cosmic-rays (UHECR):
  - Measurements via **extended air-showers**
- 3 open questions in UHECRs physics:
  - (1) **Structures** in spectral flux slope (**knee** –  $10^{15}$  eV, **ankle** –  $10^{18}$  eV) ?
  - (2) **Sources** of CRs with  $E \sim 10^{20}$  eV ?
  - (3) **Identity** of CRs with  $E \sim 10^{20}$  eV ?
- UHECR uncertainties from **hadronic MCs uncertainties**.
- Large Hadron Collider (LHC) capabilities.
- LHC measurements:
  - (1) **particle multiplicity**
  - (2) **average hadron  $p_T$**
  - (3) **total p-p cross-section**
  - (4) **forward spectra**

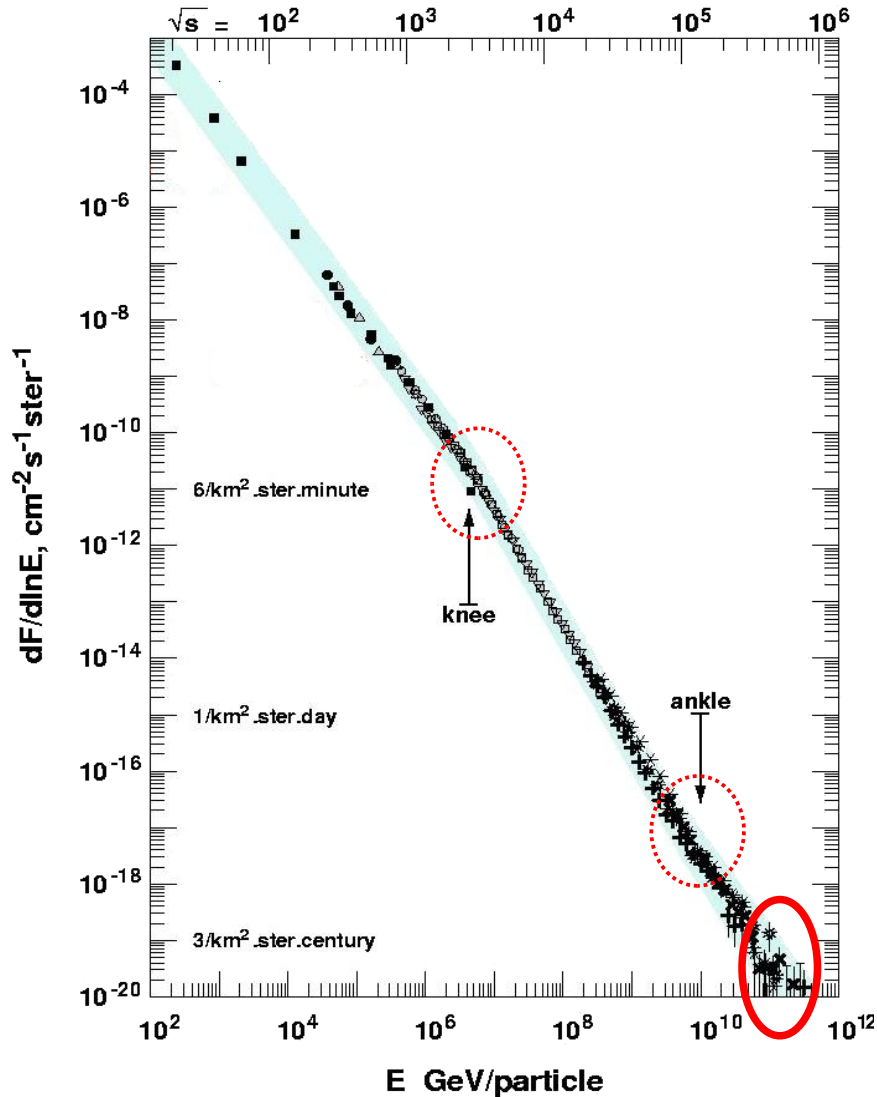
} **new data vs. models**

} **near-future data vs. models**

# Ultra High Energy Cosmic-Rays

# Ultra High Energy Cosmic-Rays (UHECRs)

- Cosmic-ray **flux falls** very rapidly with energy (power-law:  $E^{-n}$ ):



- Flux has 2 slope changes:

"knee" at  $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 10^{15}$  eV:  $E^{-2.7} \rightarrow E^{-3.1}$

"ankle" at  $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 10^{18}$  eV:  $E^{-3.1} \rightarrow E^{-2.6}$

- ☞ What's the origin of these **structures** ?

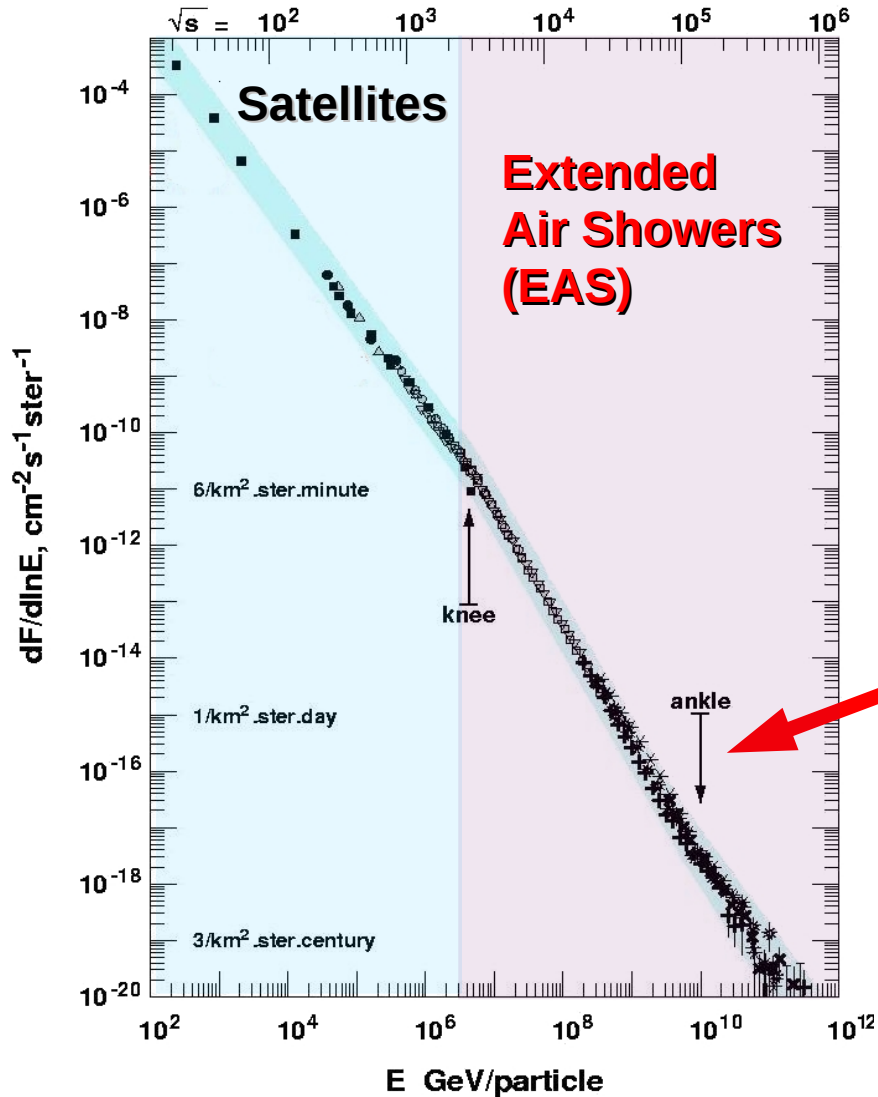
- Cosmic-rays observed up to **energies  $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 10^{20}$  eV**:

- ☞ What are their **sources** ? What's the **acceleration mechanism** ?

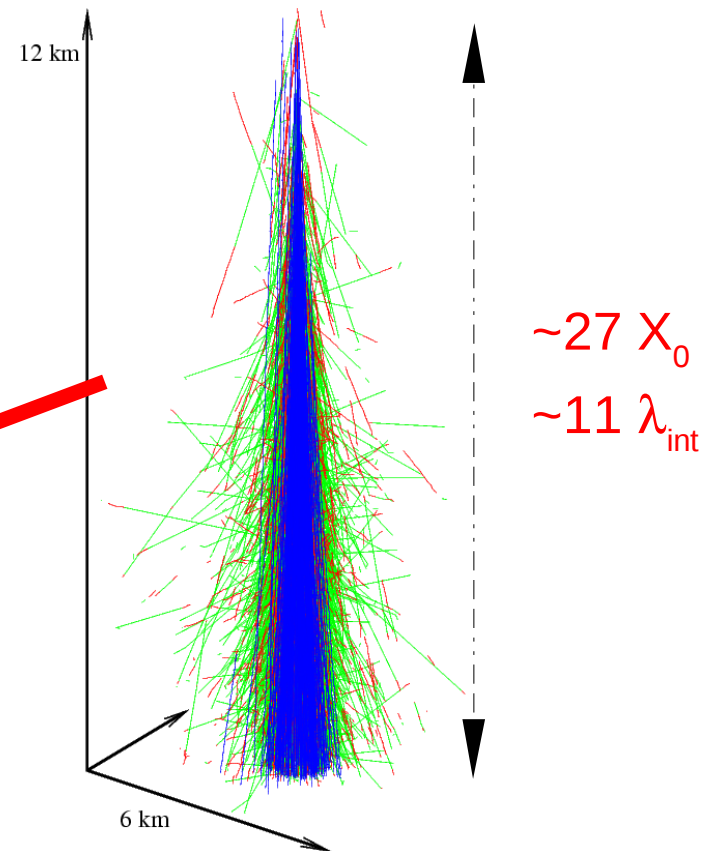
- ☞ What is their **nature** (protons, ions) ?

# Ultra High Energy Cosmic-Rays (UHECRs)

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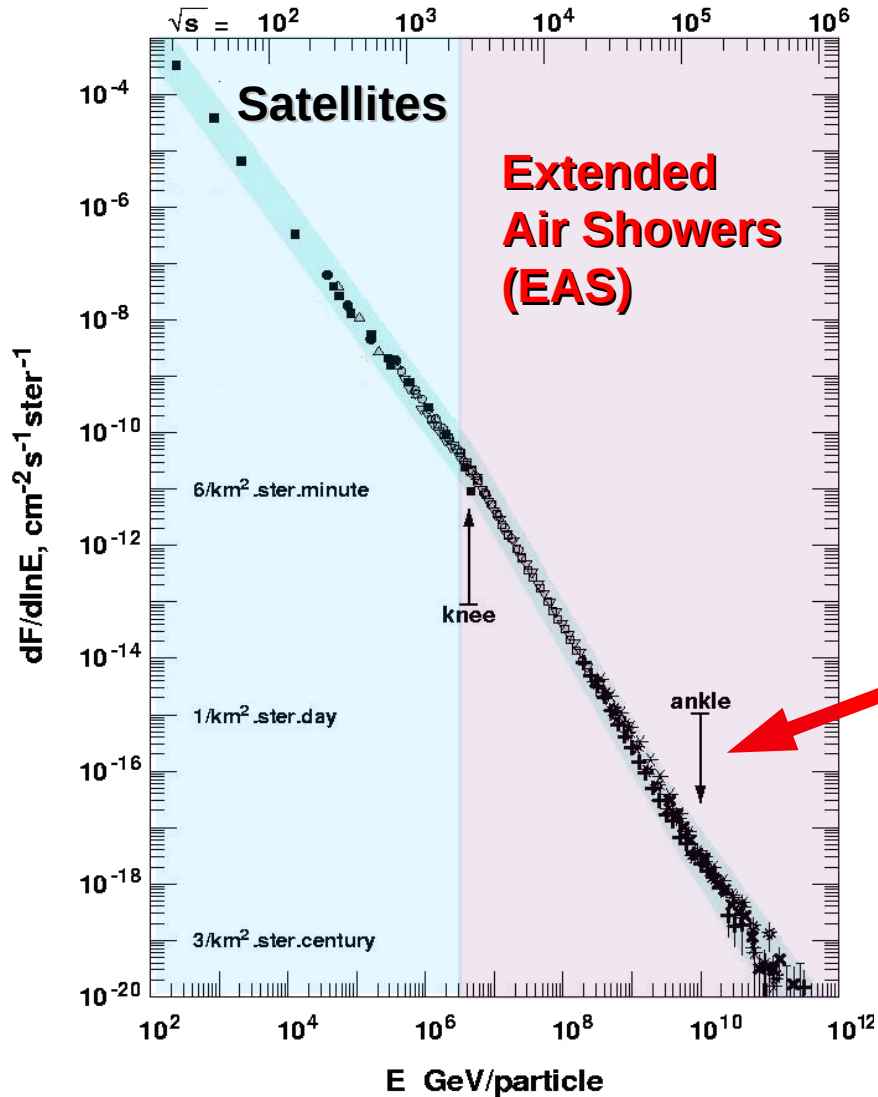


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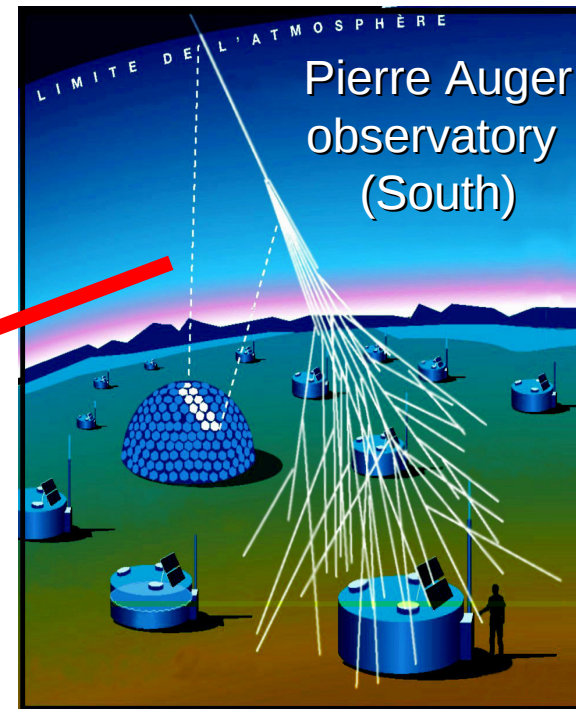
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- UV fluorescence light in air ( $\text{N}^*$ )
- Cherenkov-light from  $e^\pm, \mu^\pm$  at ground

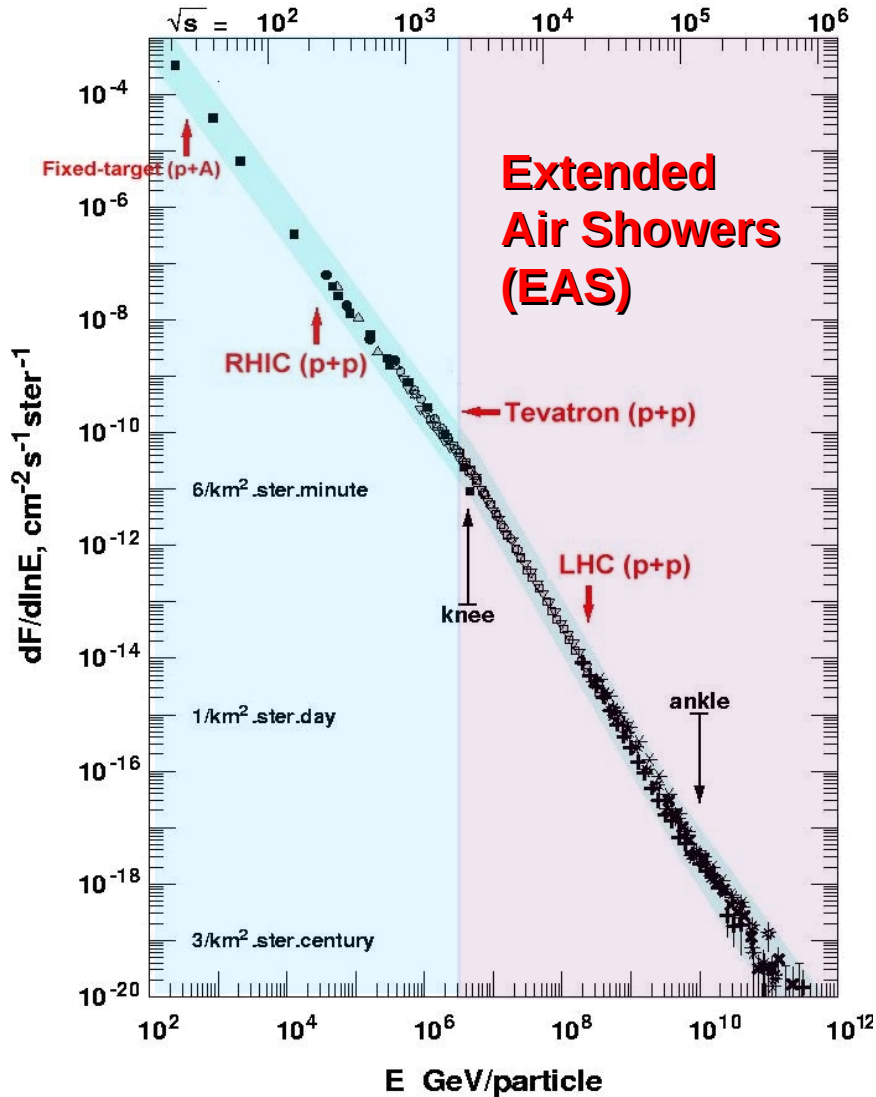


HiRes observatory (North)

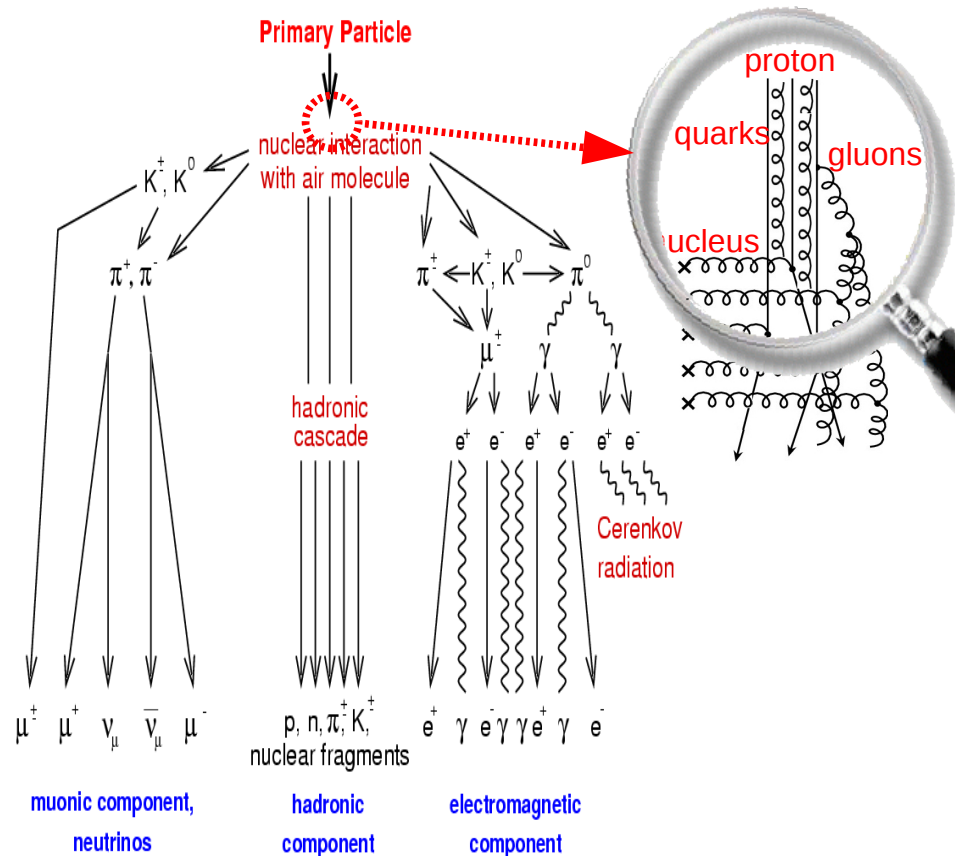


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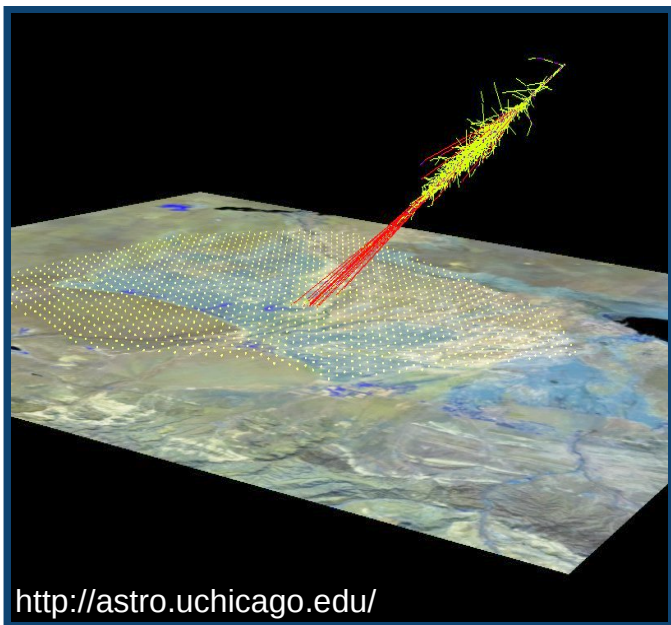
- CR energy & mass determined via hadronic+transport Monte Carlos:



- Primary collisions: QCD interactions at c.m. energies up to  $\sqrt{s}_{GZK} \sim 300$  TeV.
- MCs tuned with accelerator data.



# UHECRs detection in large ground-arrays



## ■ Detection techniques:

- **Fluorescent** light from  $N^*$  de-excitation:
  - **Near-UV telescope.**
  - ~10% duty-cycle (moonless nights).
  - Fly's Eye, HiRes, Auger.
- **Charged particles** on ground:
  - **Cherenkov detectors.**
  - ~100% duty-cycle.
  - AGASA, Auger.

## ■ Measured shower parameters (event-by-event):

- Depth of **maximum of shower**:  $X_{\max}$  (g/cm<sup>2</sup>)
- Total **energy**:  $E_{\text{CR}} = \text{Const} \times (\text{Signal}_{\text{alt}})^{1.02-1.08}$
- Number of electrons, muons at ground:  $N_e, N_\mu$
- Arrival **direction**:  $\pm(0.5^\circ - 1.0^\circ)$

**CR energy & identity**

- statistical unfolding !
- MC-dependent !



# UHECRs energy & identification

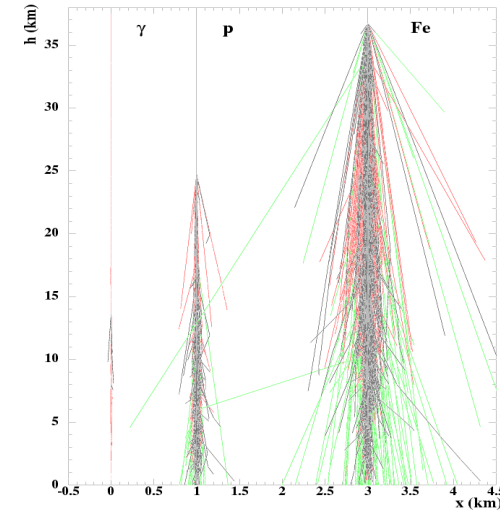
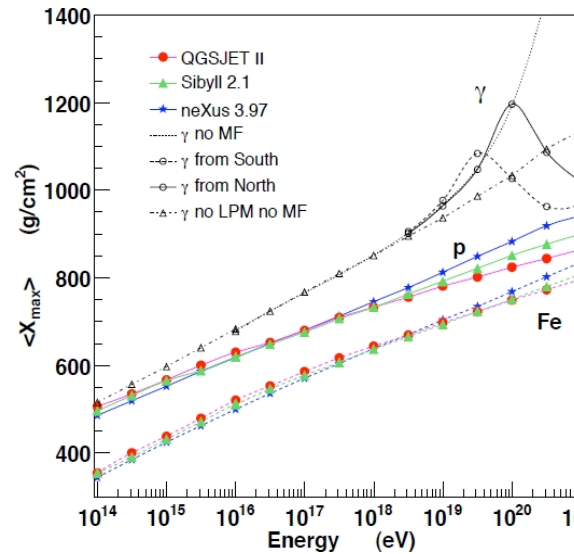
[Blumer-Engel-Horandel, PPNP 68(2009)293]

## Position & fluctuations of shower maximum:

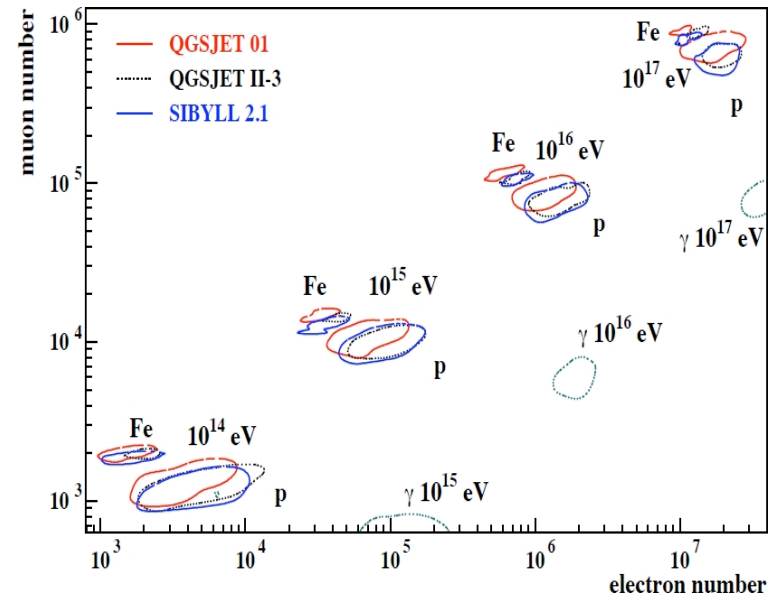
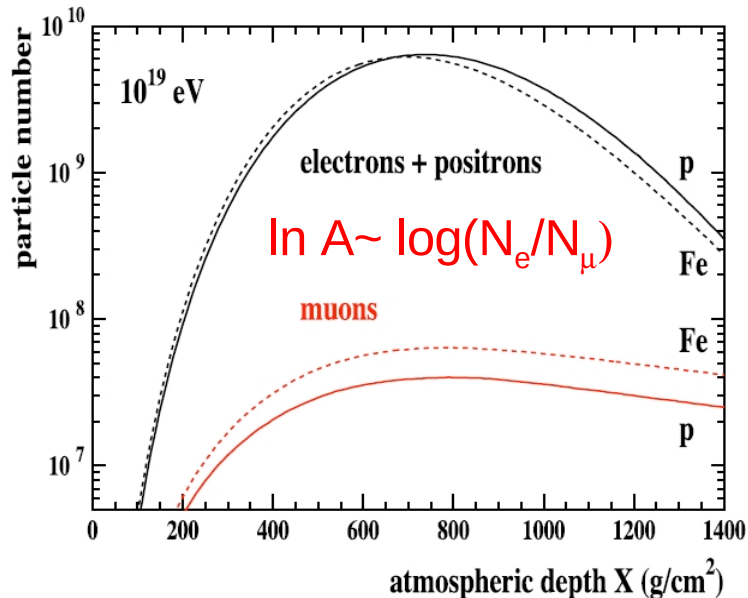
Depth:  $\gamma > p > A$

$$X_{\max}(p) \sim X_{\max}(\text{Fe}) + 150 \text{ g/cm}^2$$

Shower-to-shower fluctuations:  
smaller for ions than proton.

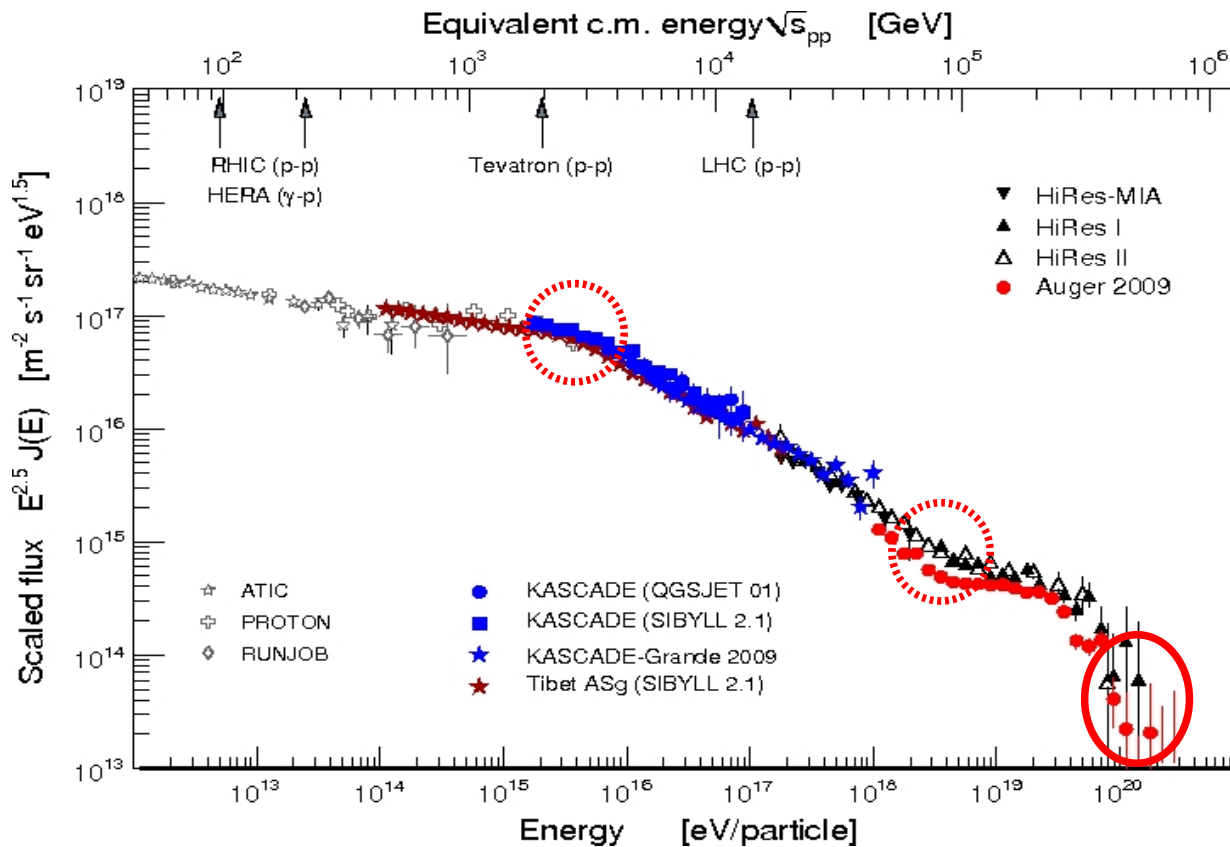


## Number of $e^\pm$ & muons:



# UHECR energy spectrum: 3 open questions

[Blumer-Engel-Horandel, PPNP 68(2009)293]



1. Explanation of

"knee" at  $E_{lab} \sim 10^{15}$  eV,

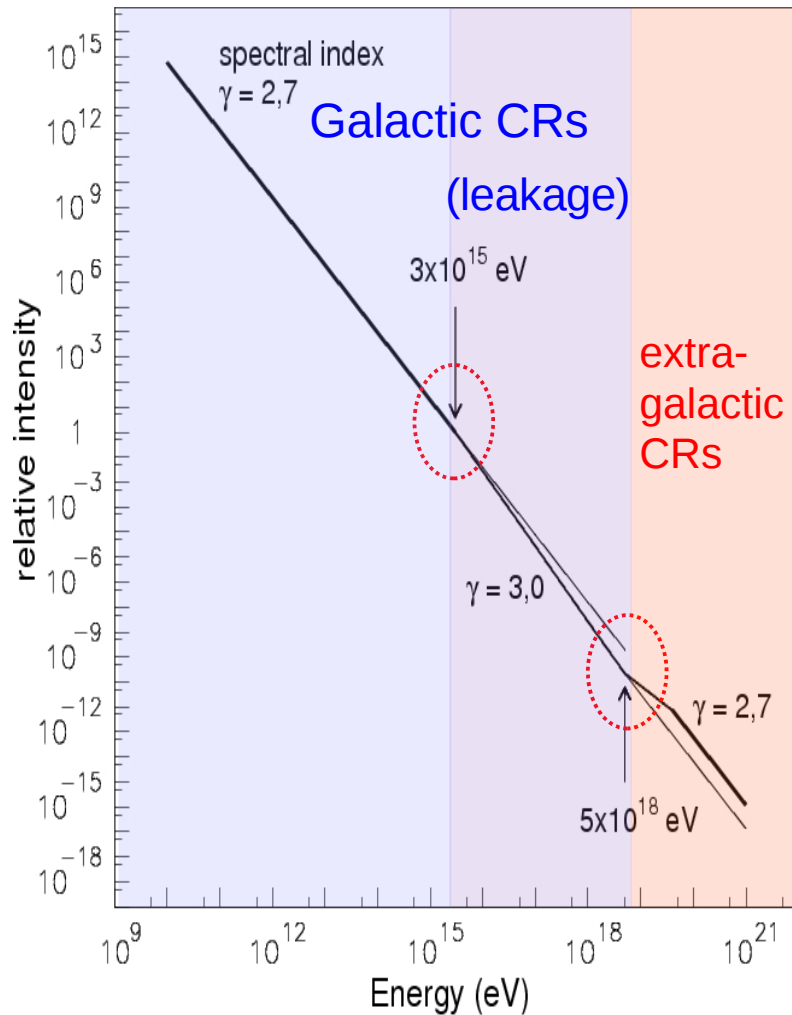
"ankle" at  $E_{lab} \sim 10^{18}$  eV

2. Sources of CR at  $E_{lab} \sim 10^{20}$  eV

3. Nature of CR at  $E_{lab} \sim 10^{20}$  eV

**What can the LHC do to help solving these questions ?**

# (Q1) UHECR structures: “knee” & “ankle” ?



Adapted from A.Codino, F.Plouin NPB(2007)307

- Knee change of slope ( $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 10^{15}$  eV):
- ✓ Steepening happening later for heavier CRs observed. Consistent with **increasing leakage** outside of galaxy of CRs with smaller Z-charge (Larmor radius).
- ✓  $E_{\text{max}} \sim 10^{15}$  eV in Galactic SNRs
- ✗ Changes in **EAS** due to the production of **new (unobserved) particles** excluded ?
- Ankle change of slope ( $E_{\text{lab}} \sim 10^{18}$  eV):
- ✓ Change from Galactic - **Extragalactic CRs** ?
- ✗ CR identities unclear today (uncertainties shower  $X_{\text{max}}$ ,  $N_{\mu}$ - $N_e$ , and hadronic MC)

# (Q2) UHECR sources: cosmic accelerators

- **Astrophysical objects** with large B-field or large acceleration length:

$$E_{\max} \sim Z_{\text{CR}} \cdot (\beta_{\text{shock}} \cdot B \cdot L)$$

**Difficult** to reach  $10^{20}$  eV !

(required shock-front speeds  $\beta \sim 1$ )

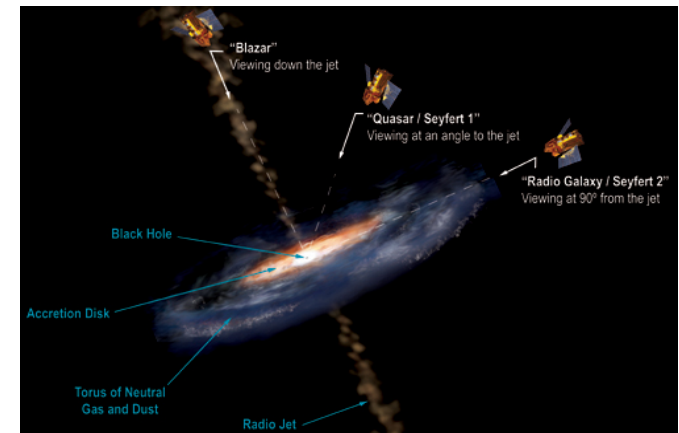
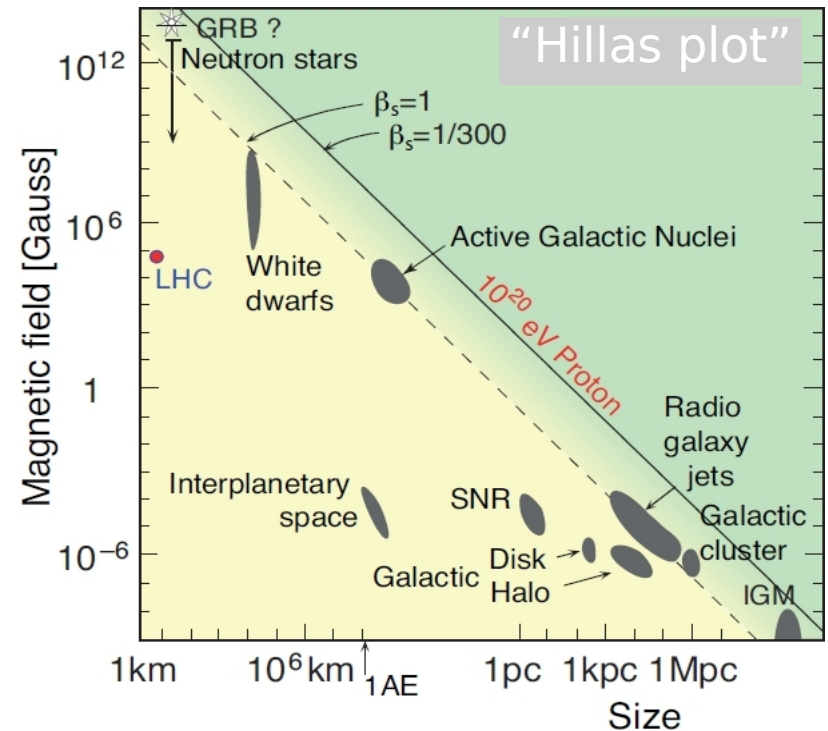
[ easier for ions,  $Z(\text{Fe})=56$  ]

- **Best candidates:**

**Neutron-star:** highly magnetized & spinning  
**AGN/GRB:** rapidly spinning giant black-holes

**Supernova:** shockfronts “only”  $E_{\max} = Z \cdot 10^{14-17}$  eV  
 (single explosion – multiple remnants)

[Blumer-Kampert, Phys. Bl 65N3 (2000)39]



# (Q2) UHECR sources: GZK cut-off ?

- Proton with  $E_{\text{GZK}} > 6 \cdot 10^{19}$  eV will breakup in collisions with CMB ( $E_\gamma \sim 0.35$  meV):

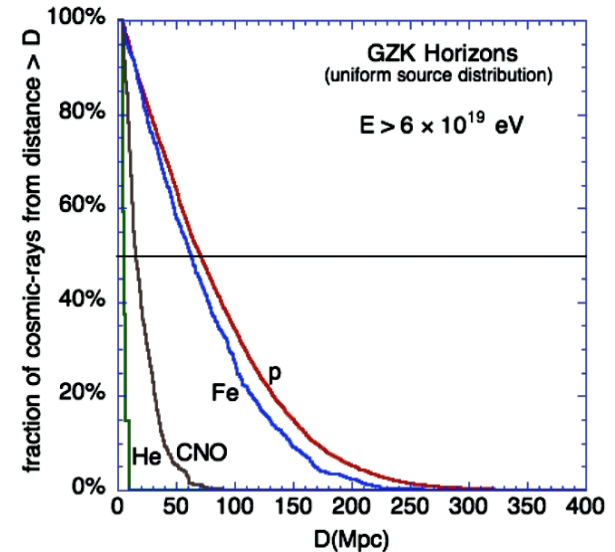
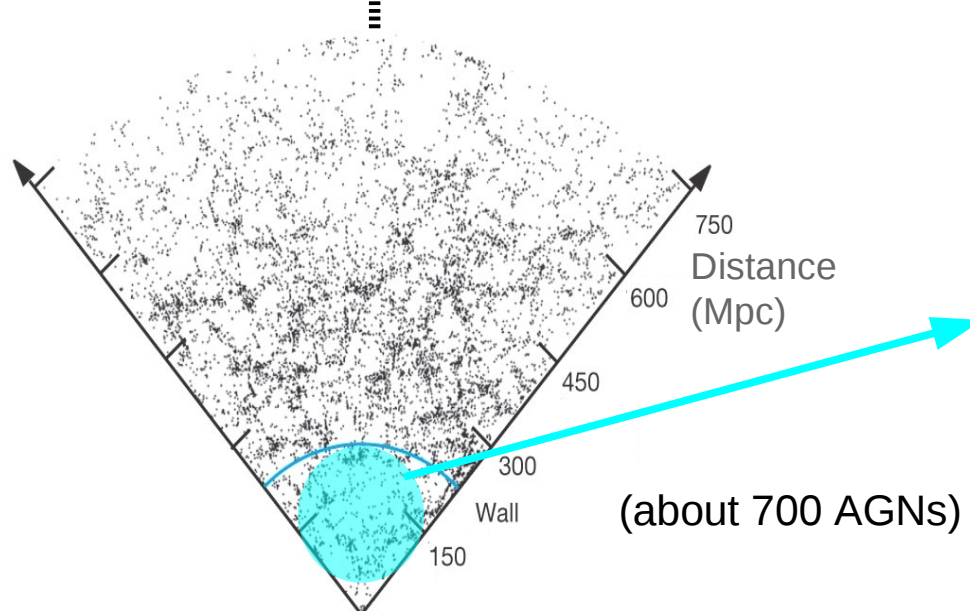


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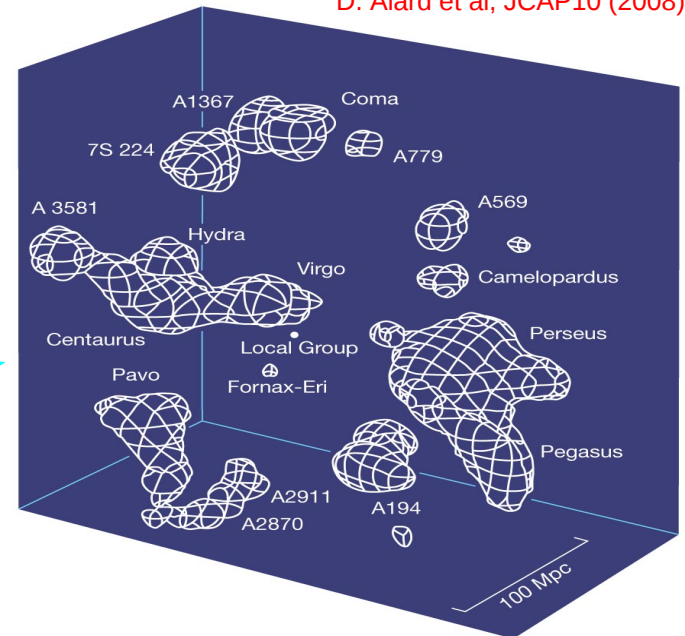
- GZK horizon  $\sim 100$ - $200$  Mpc:

UHECR come within our Local-Supercluster:

cosmological  $\blacktriangle$  horizon (14 Gpc)



D. Alard et al, JCAP10 (2008)033]

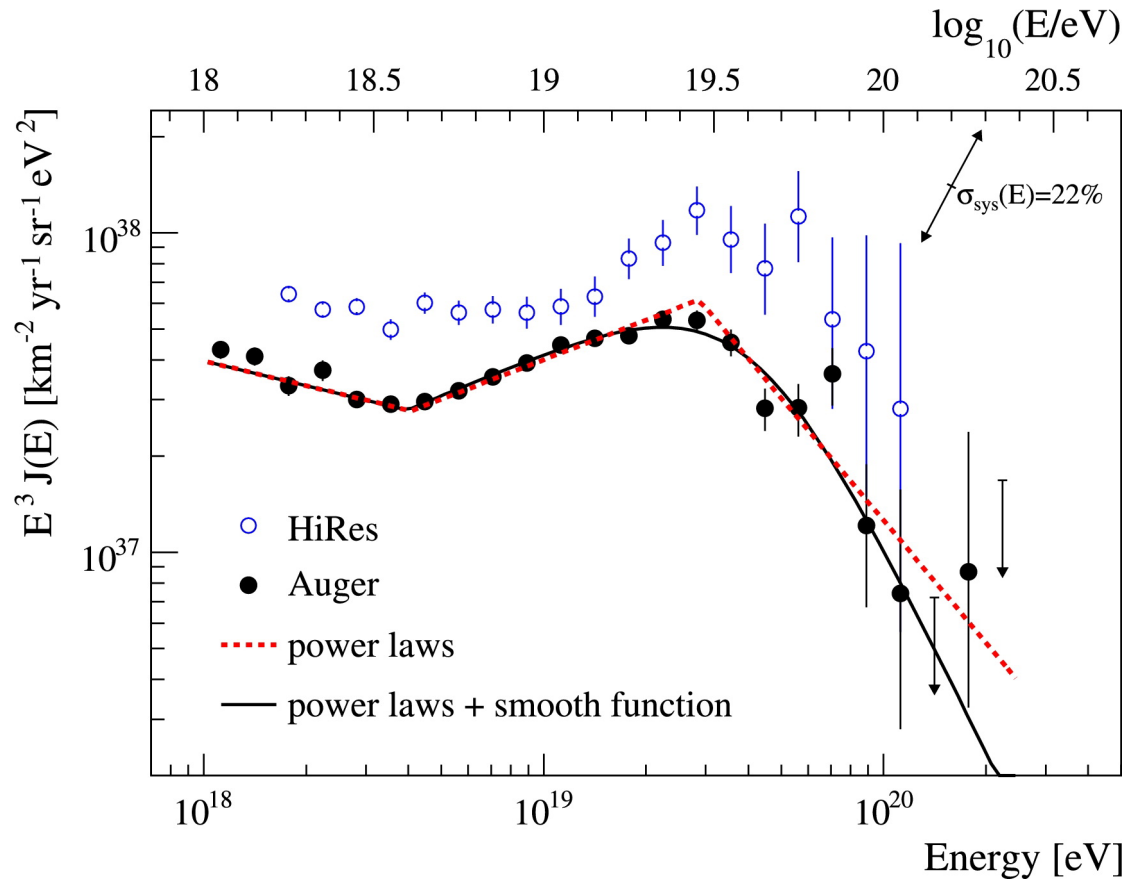


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# (Q2) UHECR sources: Cut-off observed

- Abrupt flux suppression at  $E_{\text{CR}} \sim 3 \cdot 10^{19}$  eV.

Consistent w/ combined GZK for different species:



HiRes: PRL 100 (2008)101101  
Auger: PLB 685 (2010)239

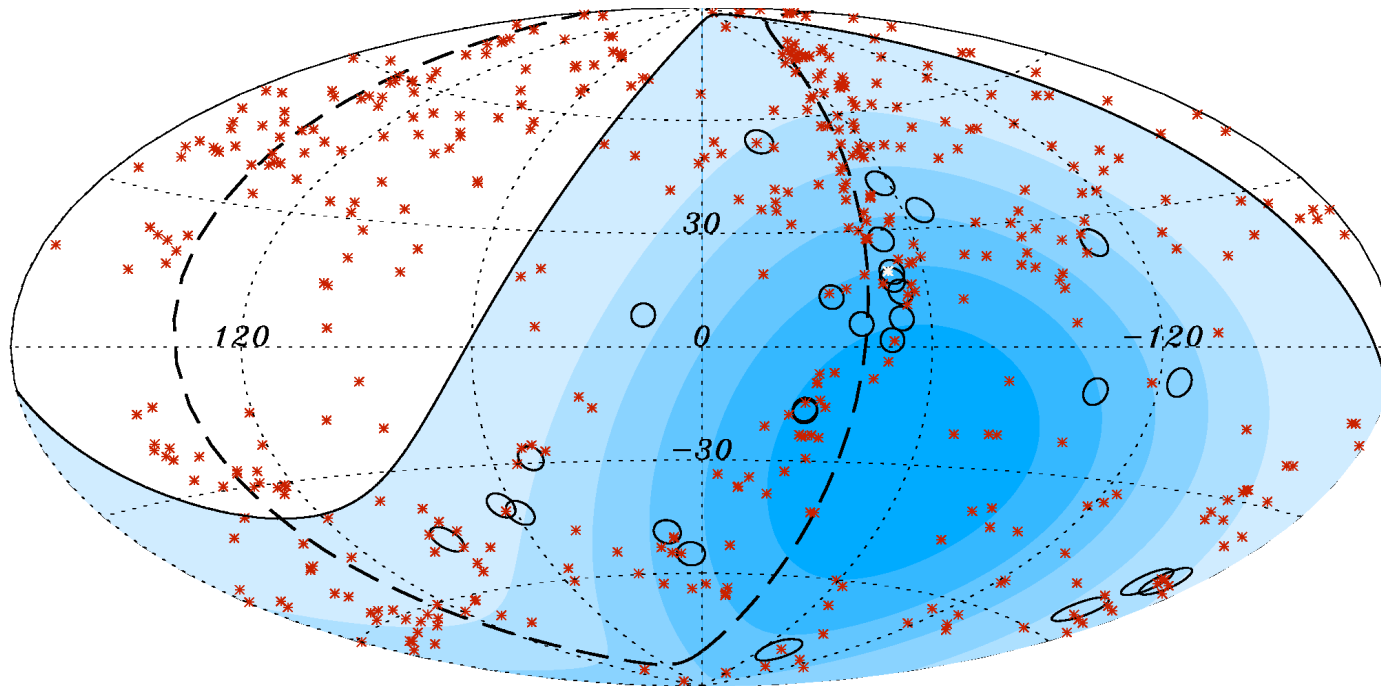
- GZK or cutoff at source ? Astrophysical accelerators running out of steam ?

# (Q2) UHECR sources: Active Galactic Nuclei ?

Auger: Science 318 (2007)939; APhJ, 29 (2008)188

- Auger UHECR correlation with Veron AGN catalogue in Southern sky:

Black circles – Auger data. Red stars – AGNs.



- Evidence (20/27) of correlations with AGNs. Anisotropic flux.
- No deflection in magnetic-field<sup>(\*)</sup> ? Mostly protons ?

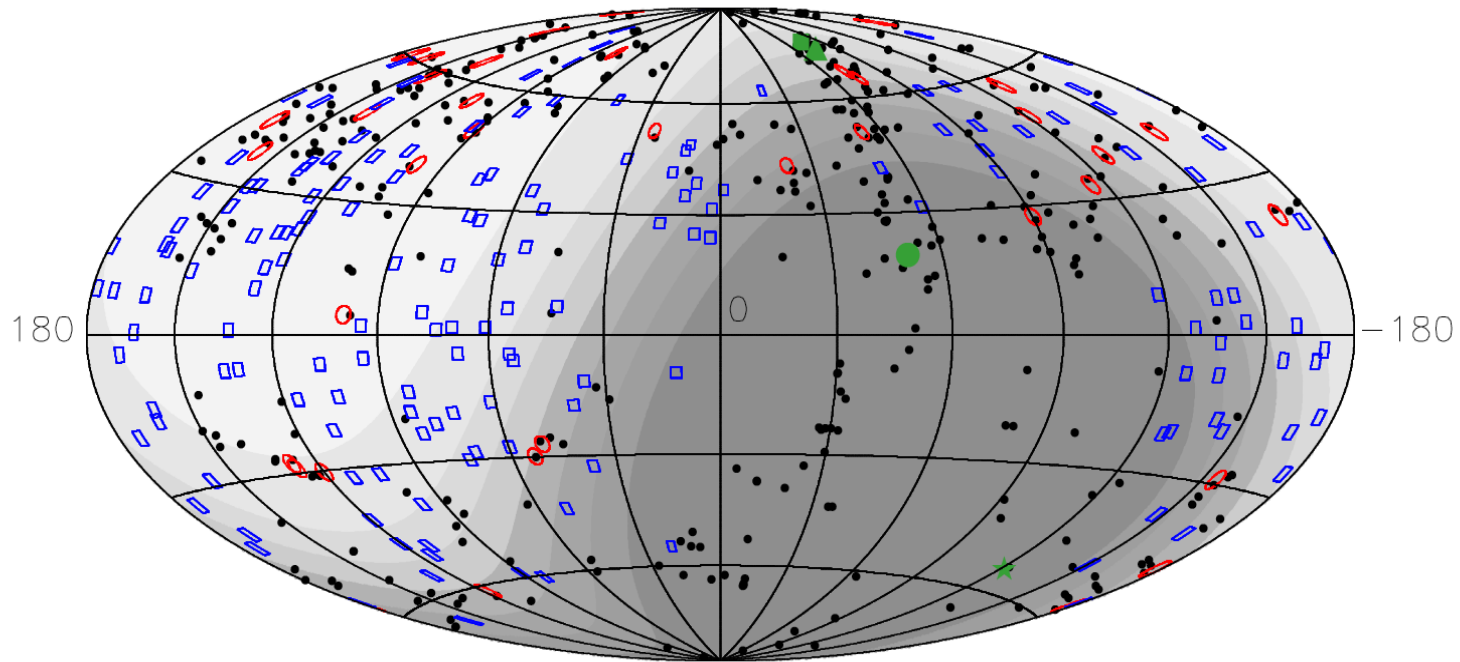
[<sup>(\*)</sup> B(Galactic) ~ 10  $\mu$ G, B(Intergalactic) ~ 10 nG]

# (Q2) UHECR sources: Active Galactic Nuclei ?

HiRes Collab: *Astropart. Phys.* 30 (2008) 175

- HiRes UHECR correlation with Veron AGN catalogue in Northern sky:

Blue – HiRes data. Black – AGN map. Red – correlated events



- No evidence of correlations with AGNs (2/13). Consistent with isotropic.
- Deflection in magnetic-field(\*) ? mostly heavy nuclei ? Larger B fields ?

(\*)  $B(\text{Galactic}) \sim 10 \mu\text{G}$ ,  $B(\text{Intergalactic}) \sim 10 \text{nG}$

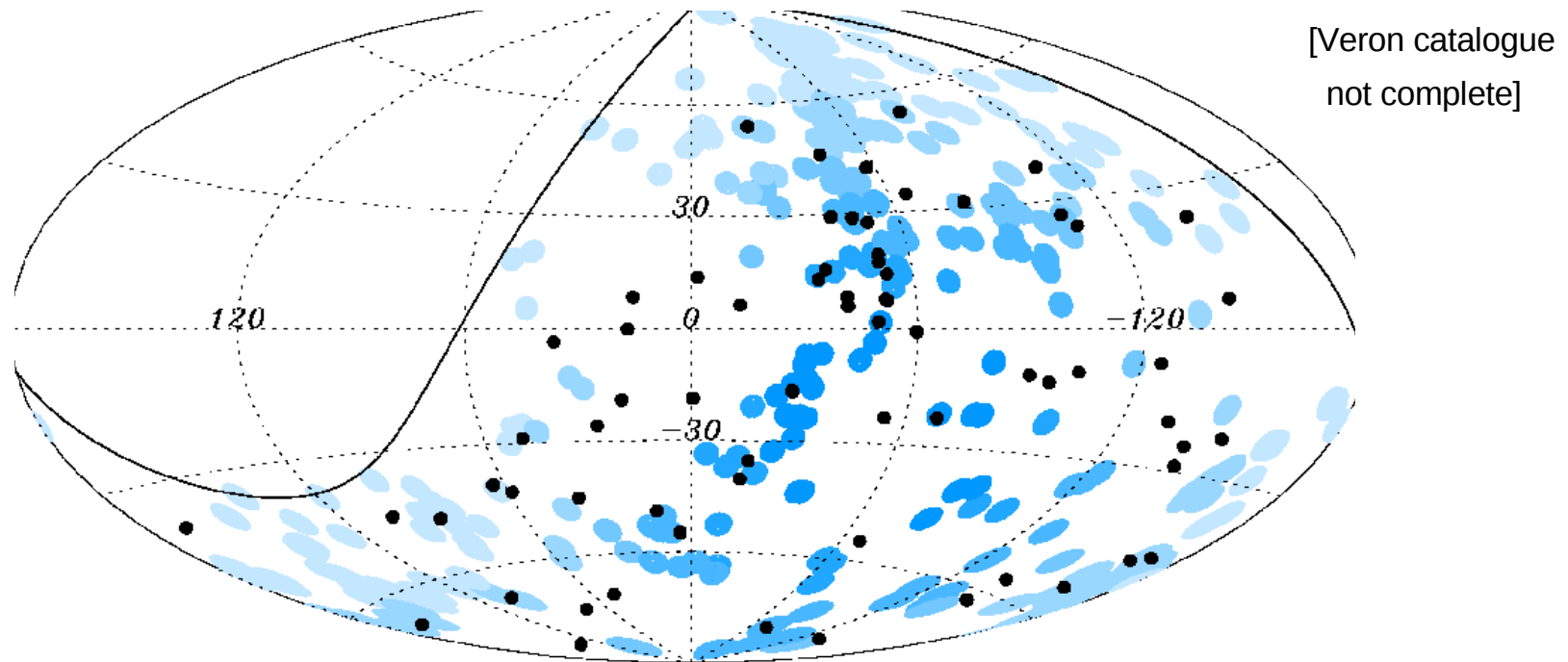


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Auger: arXiv: 1009.1855

## ■ Auger UHECR-AGN correlation update (2010):

Blue dots – AGNs. Black circles – Auger data

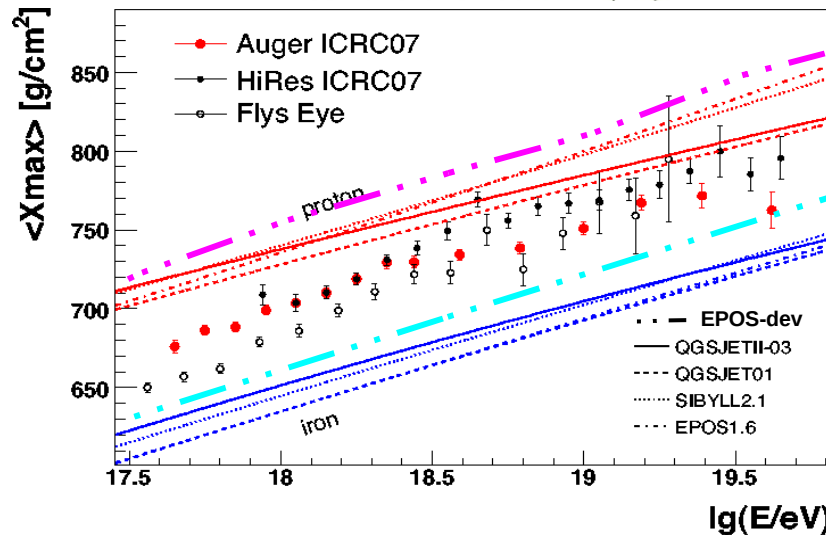
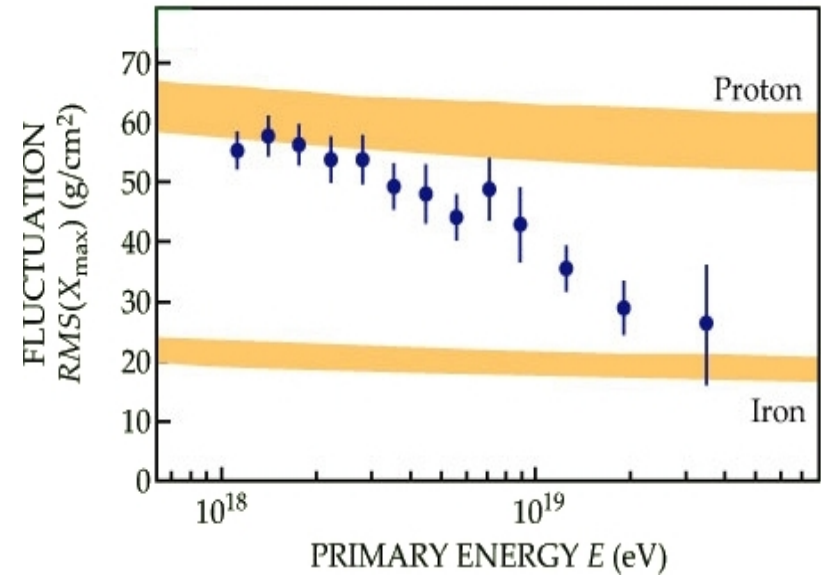
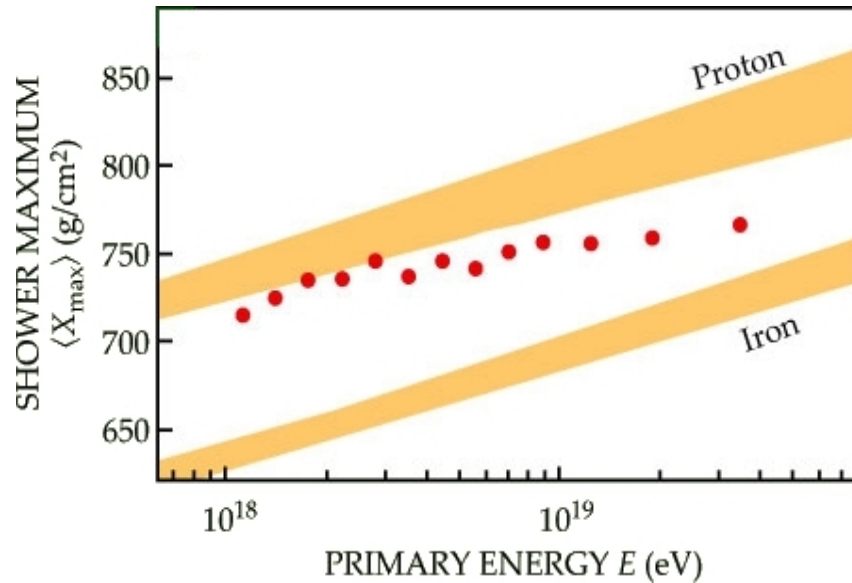


- Reduced (29/69) correlations w/ AGNs.
- Biggest correlation around Cen A (closest AGN, 3.8 Mpc).
- Lost of decorrelation due to increased (deflected) heavy-ion fraction ?

# (Q3) UHECR mass: protons or Fe-ions ?

Auger: PRL 104 (2010) 091101

- Shower-max position & fluctuations favour heavier ions above  $10^{19}$  eV



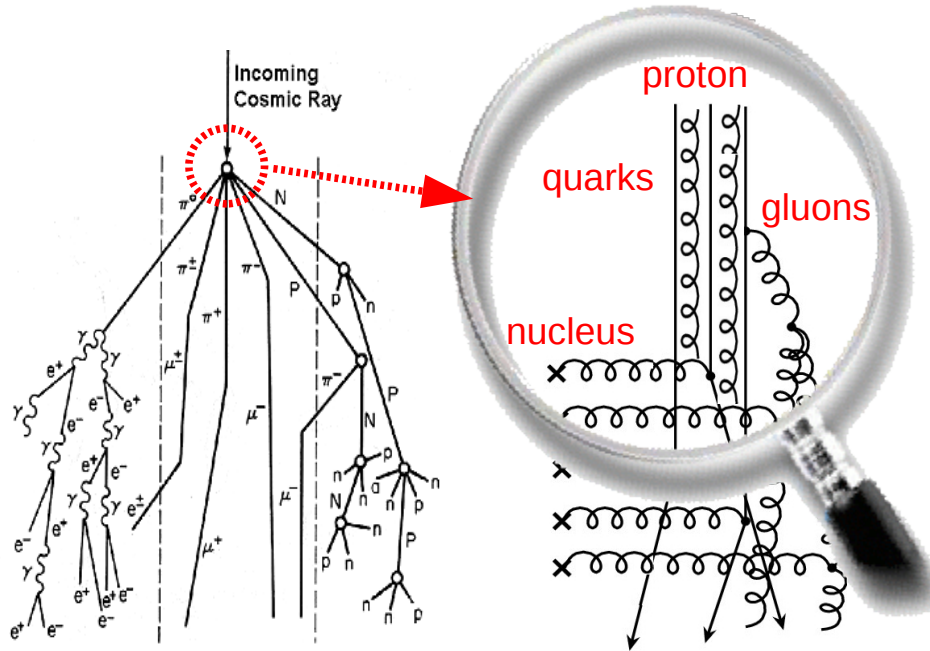
- Hadronic MC uncertainties propagate to CR mass.

QGSJET-II, SIBYLL: favour protons

EPOS-dev: favours Fe-ions

# Hadronic Monte Carlos

■ **Primary** hadronic collisions (p-p, p-A) = complex QCD interactions:



p	Proton	e	Electron
n	Neutron	μ	Muon
π	Pion	γ	Photon

■ **Theoretical basis :**

Gribov-Regge (soft) + pQCD (hard)

■ **Lots of extra modeling:**

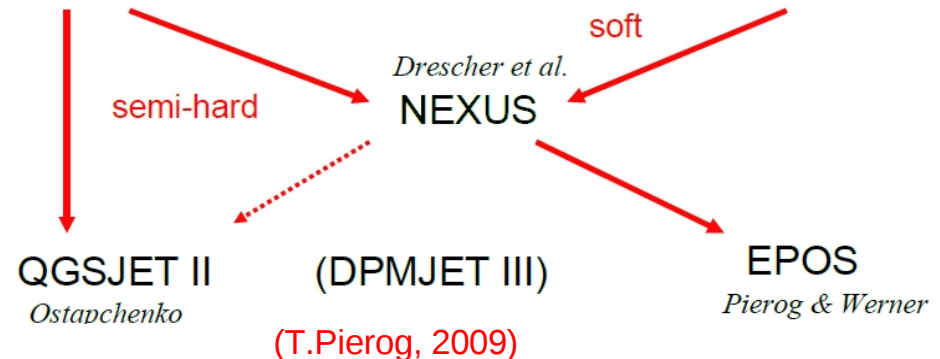
- Diffraction
- Gluon saturation in PDFs
- Multi-parton interactions
- Parton fragmentation
- Beam-remnants
- ...

■ **Hadronic Monte Carlos:**

**Tuned with accelerator data.**

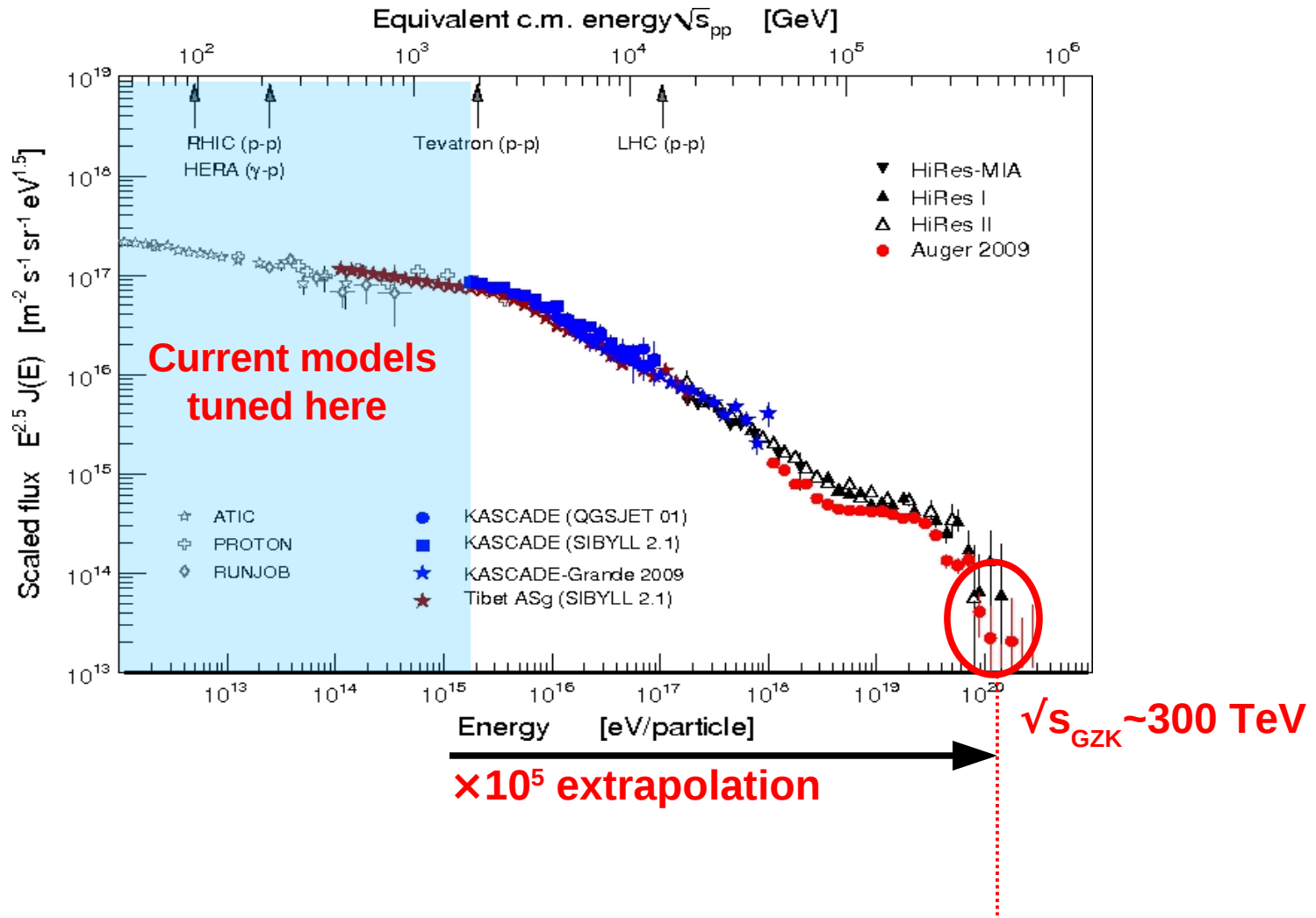
**Large  $\sqrt{s}$  extrapolations involved**

<i>Kalmykov &amp; Ostapchenko</i>	<i>Engel et al.</i>	<i>Ranft</i>	<i>Werner</i>
QGSJET01	SIBYLL 2.1	DPMJET II.55	VENUS

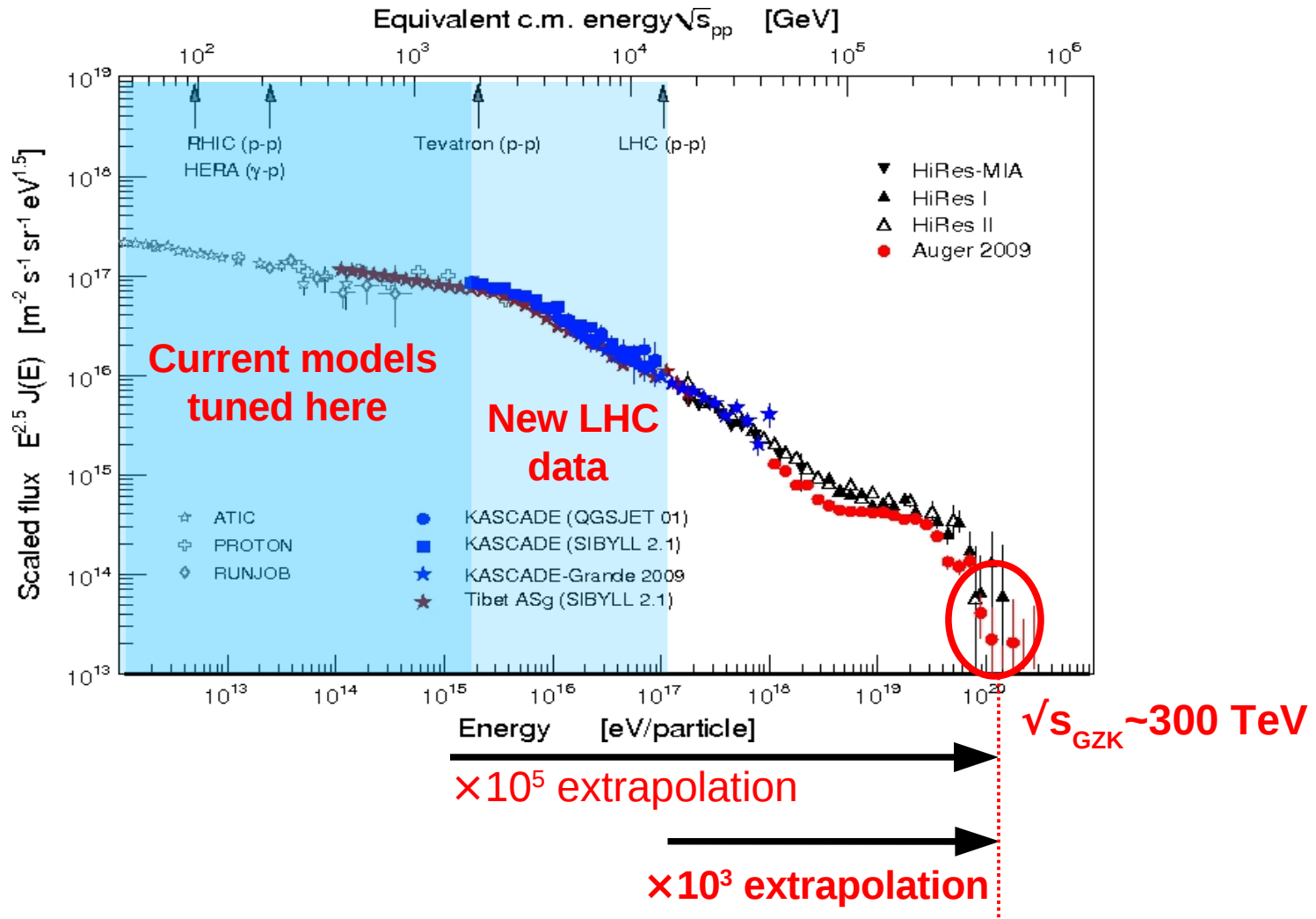


(T. Pierog, 2009)

# Hadronic MCs tuning with collider data



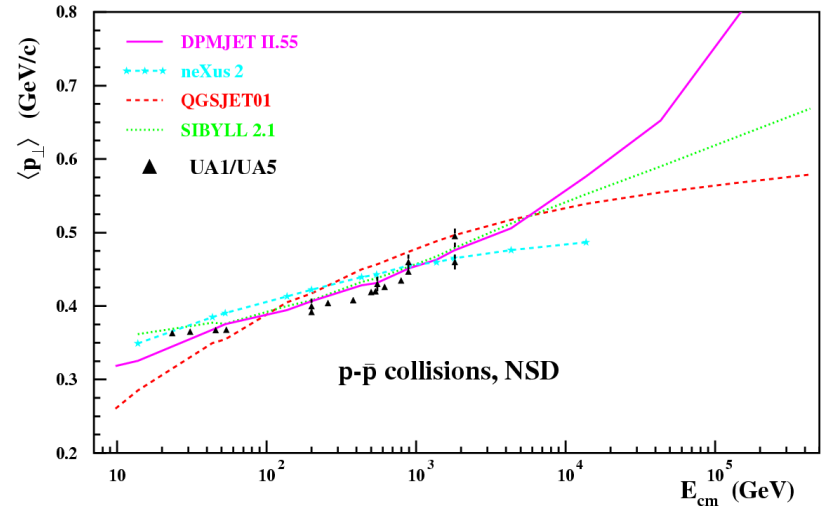
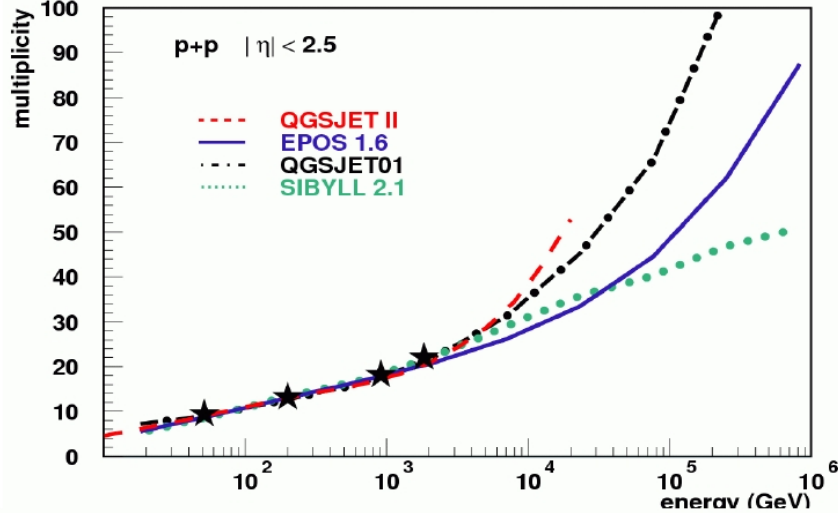
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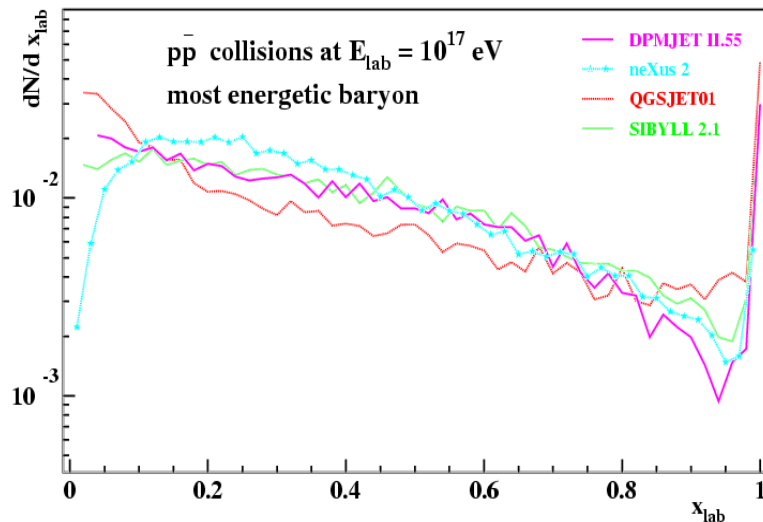
- The LHC provides a **significant lever-arm** in providing constrains for hadronic Monte Carlos for UHECR

# UHECRs MCs: model uncertainties

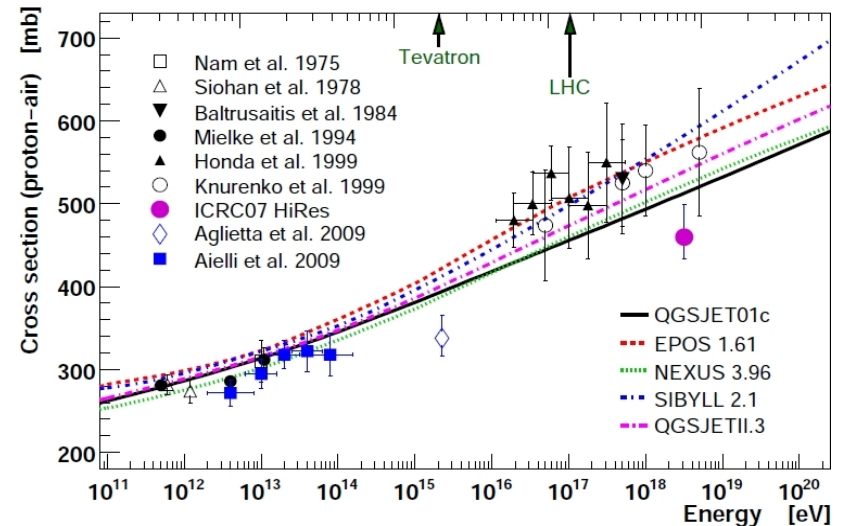
$\langle N_{ch} \rangle$ : Total (charged) particle multiplicity     $\langle p_T \rangle$ : Average transverse momentum



$dN/dx_F$ : Forward particle spectra



$\sigma(p-A)$ : proton-nucleus total cross-section

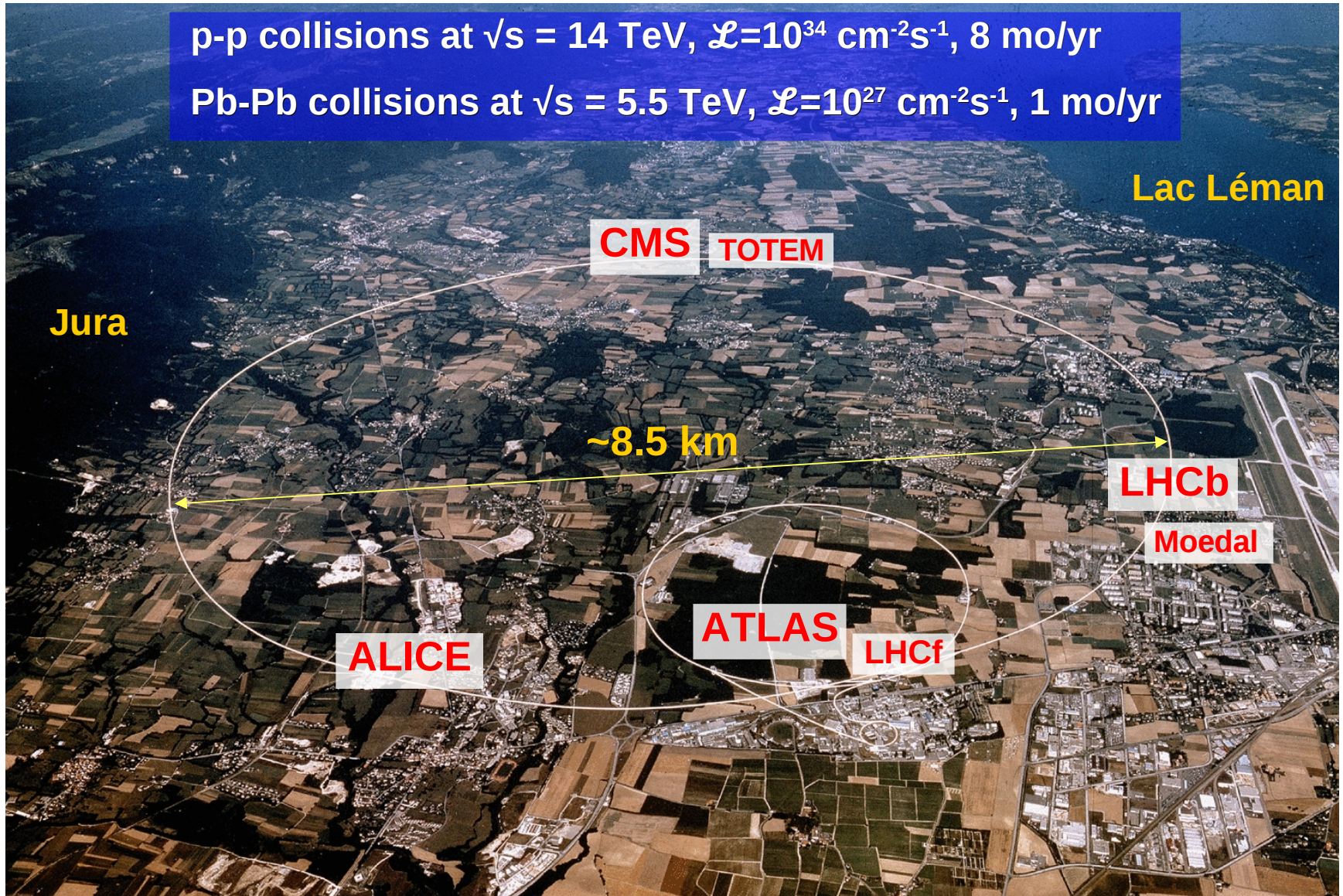


# Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

# CERN Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

p-p collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , 8 molyr

Pb-Pb collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 5.5 \text{ TeV}$ ,  $\mathcal{L} = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ , 1 molyr



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CMS TOTEM

~8.5 km

LHCb  
Moedal

ALICE ATLAS LHCf



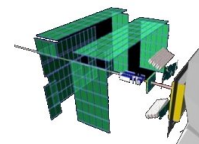
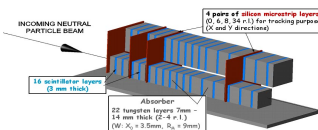
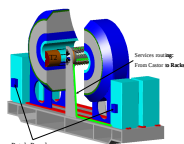
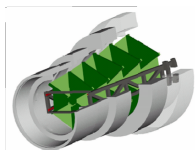
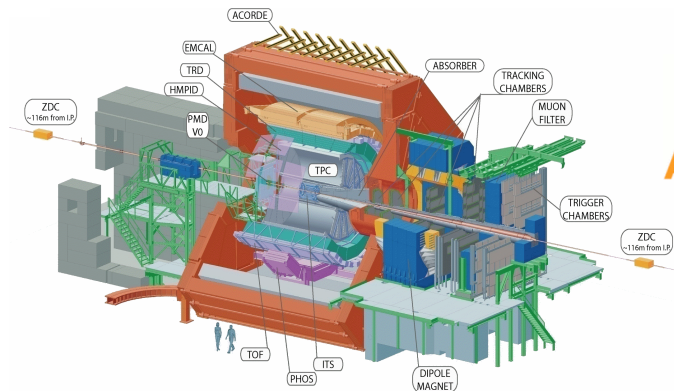
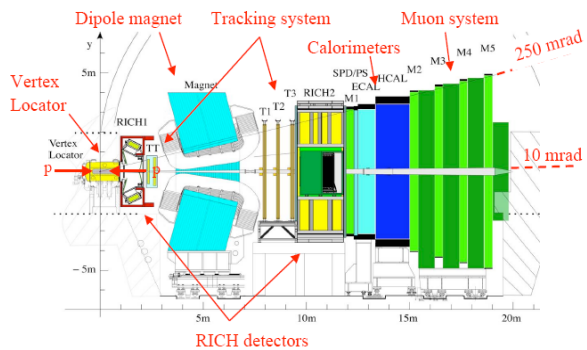
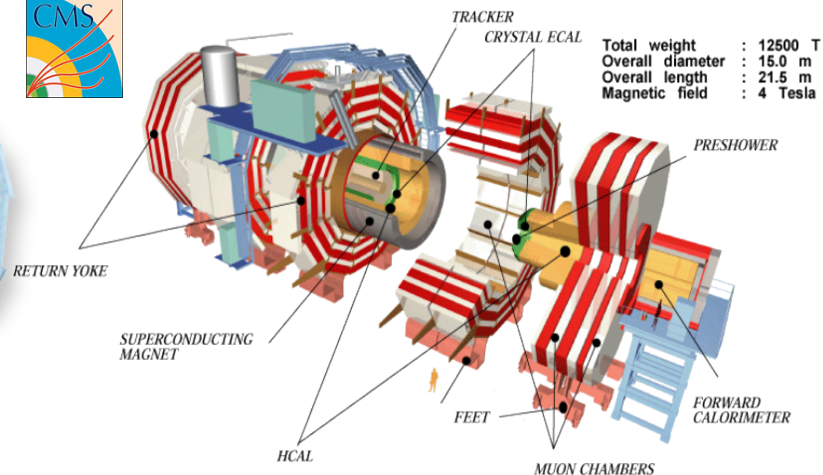
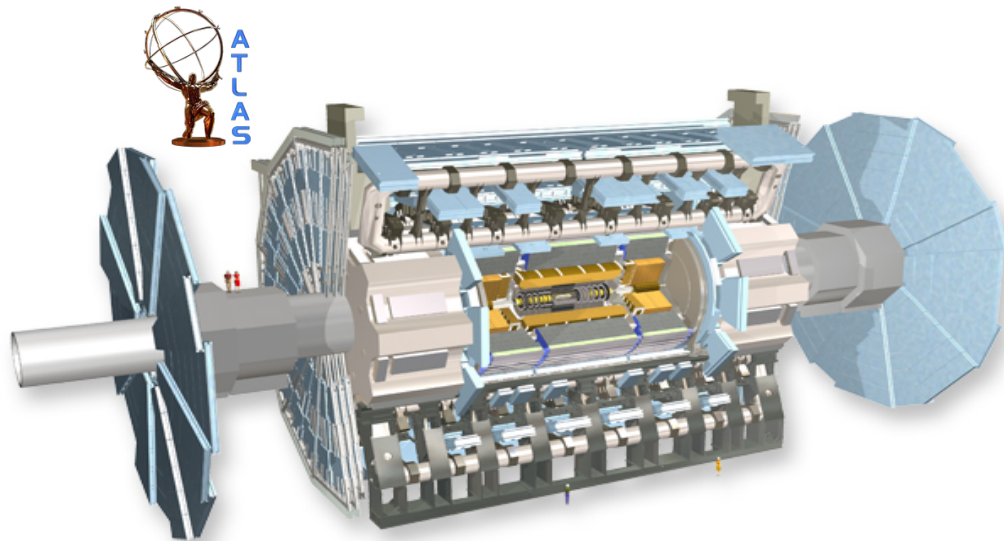
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2. Hierarchy / fine-tuning problem: What stabilizes  $m_{\text{Higgs}}$  up to  $m_{\text{Planck}}$  ( $10^{16}$  orders-of-magnitude !?) ? SUSY ? extra-dimensions ? ...?
3. Dark matter problem :  $\sim 1/4$  universe = invisible matter. SUSY ? ...?
4. Flavour problem : Origin of matter-antimatter asymmetry in the Universe ? Why so many types of matter particles ?
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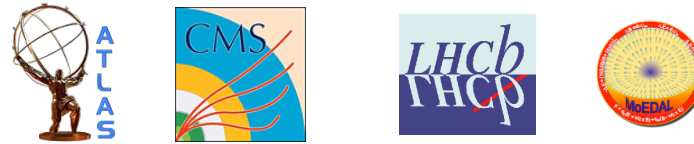
# Solving the unsolved: 6 questions for 7 experiments

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(Higgs boson)



2. Hierarchy, fine tuning:

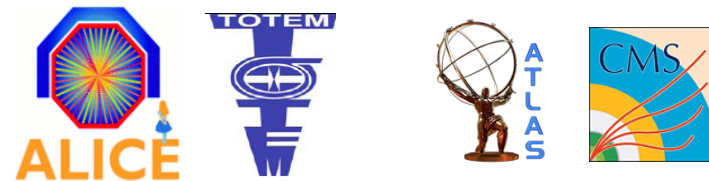
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(CP-violation, B-physics)



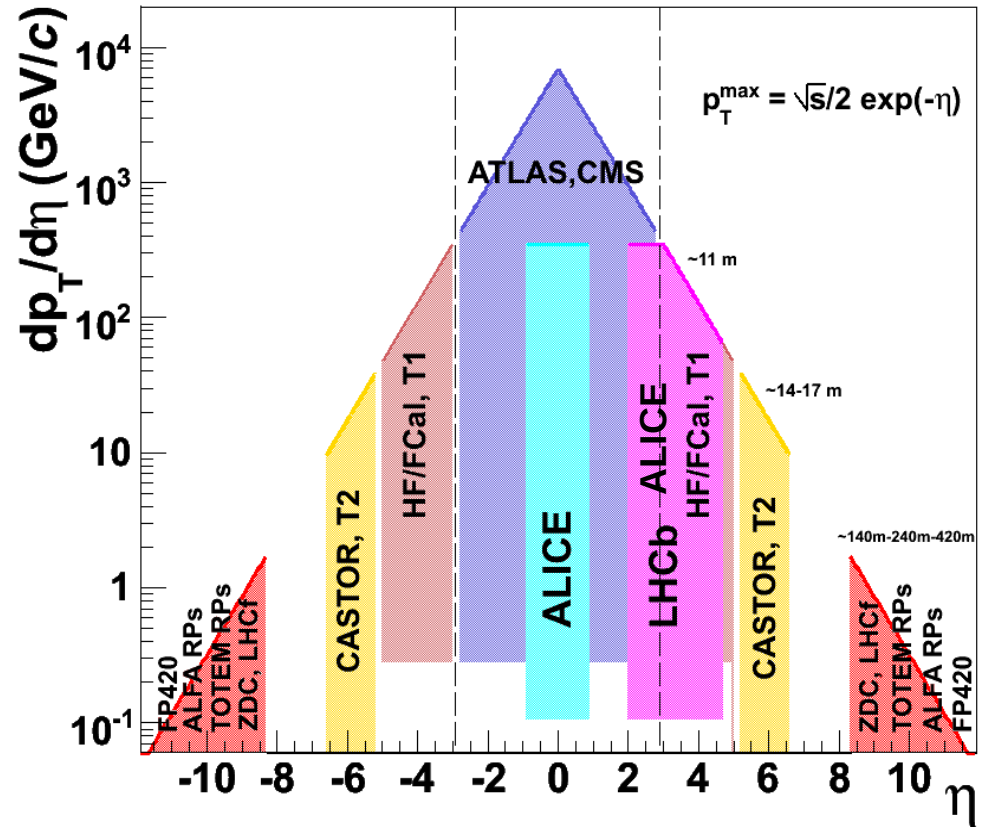
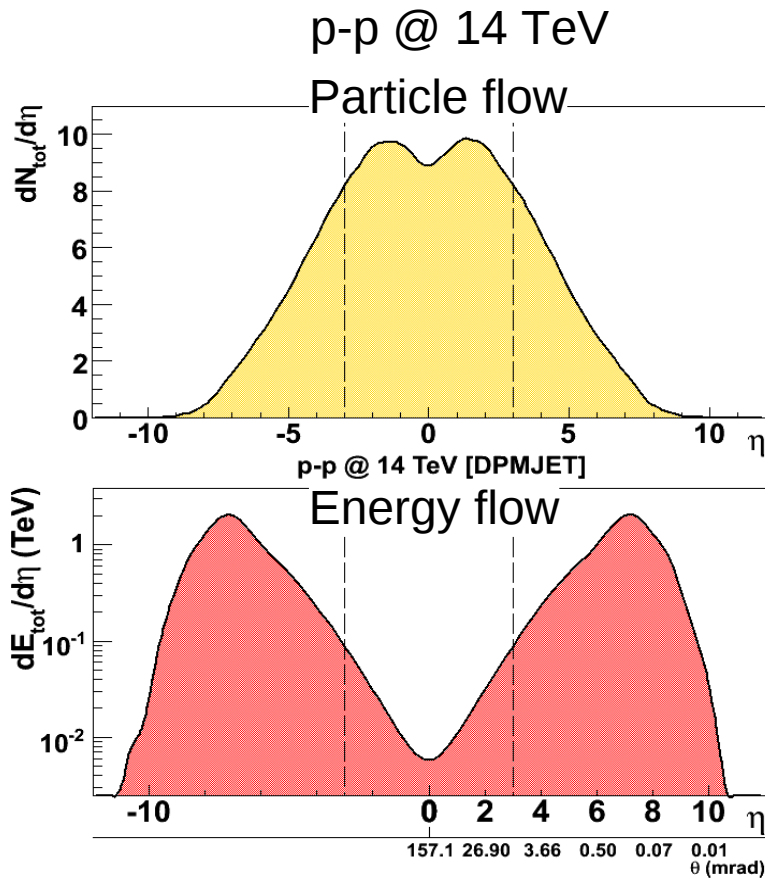
5. non-perturbative QCD:  
(QGP, total x-section, ...)



6. Highest-energy cosmic-rays:



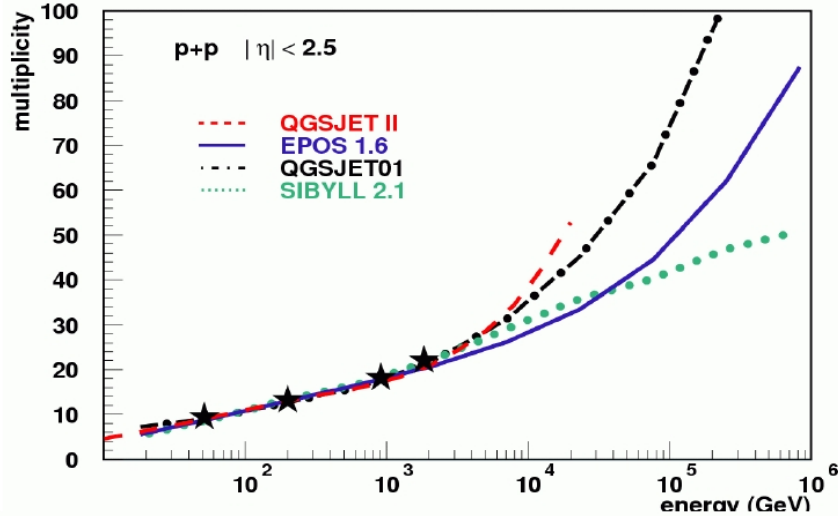
# LHC experiments: ( $p_T, \eta$ ) acceptance



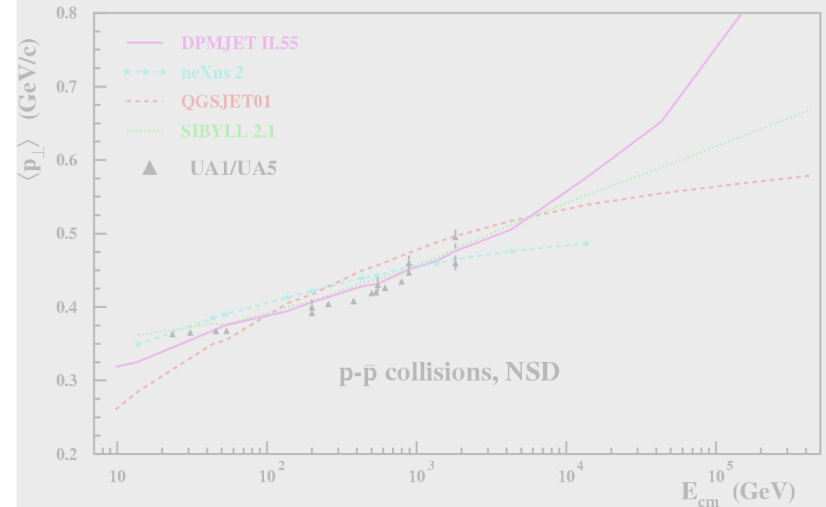
- Particle production at the LHC over  $\Delta\eta \sim 2 \times \ln(\sqrt{s})/m_p \sim 20$
- All phase-space virtually covered (1<sup>st</sup> time in a collider) !

# UHECRs & LHC : tuning hadronic MCs (I)

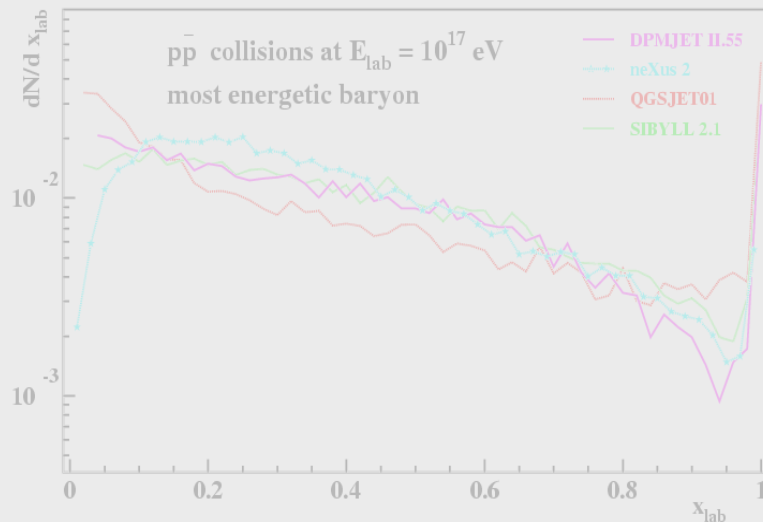
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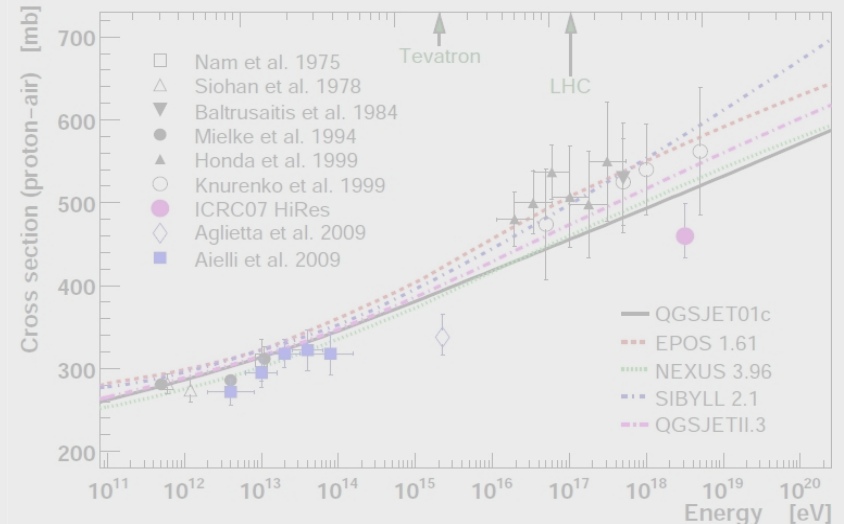
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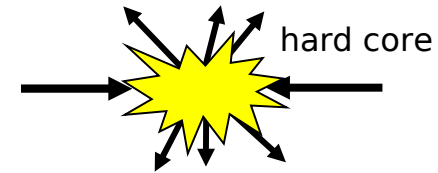
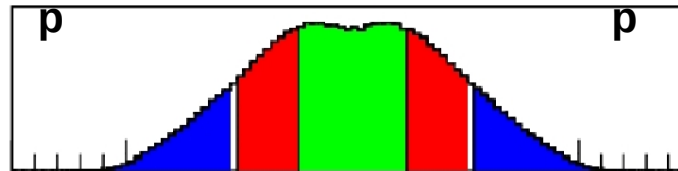


# Particle production in p-p collisions

- perturbative parton-parton collisions

~60%

Non diff. inelastic

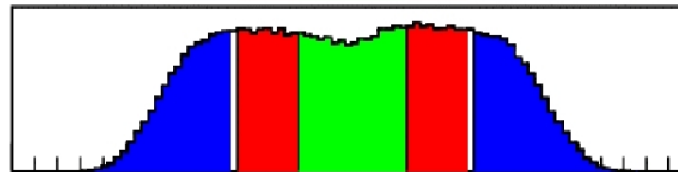


~40%

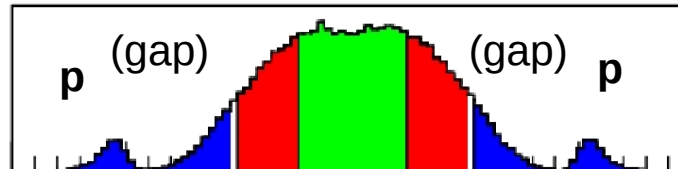
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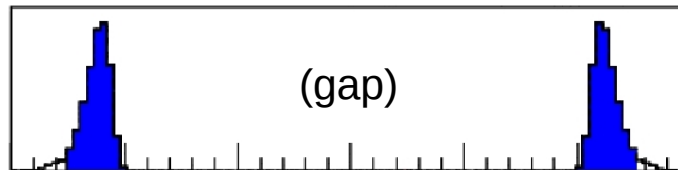
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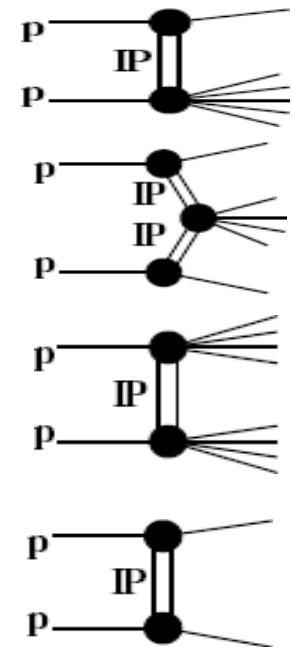
Central diff.



Elastic scatt.



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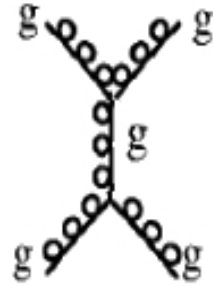
- No colour flux
- Colourless exchange with vacuum quantum-numbers:  
|Pomeron = (2-gluons in colour-singlet state)
- 1 or 2 protons intact.
- 1 or 2 rapidity gaps

■ Diffractive/Elastic scattering is ~40%  $p\text{-}p \sigma_{\text{tot}}$  at the LHC

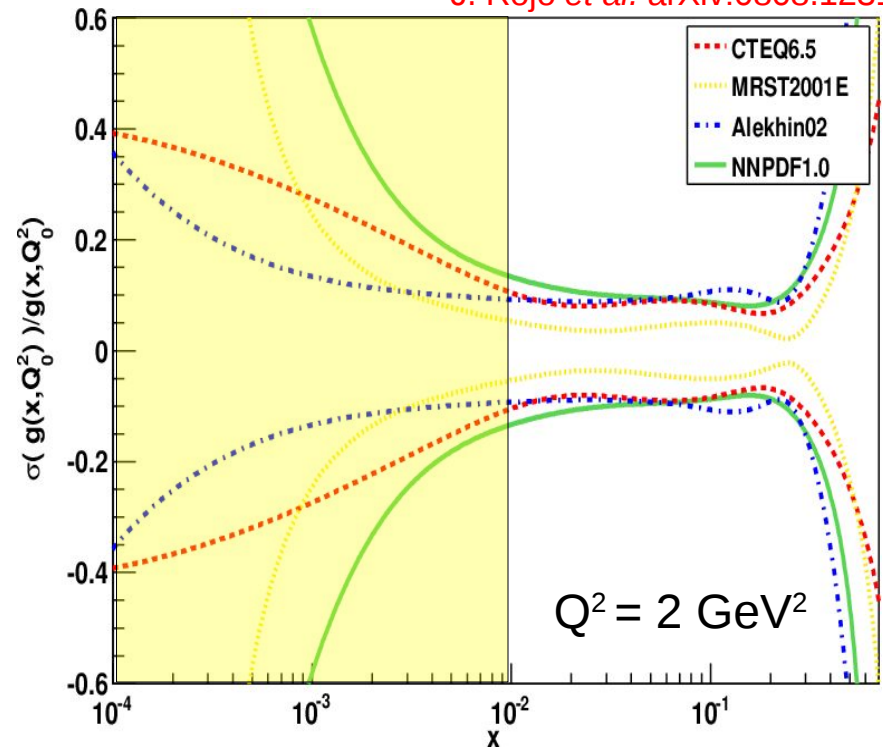
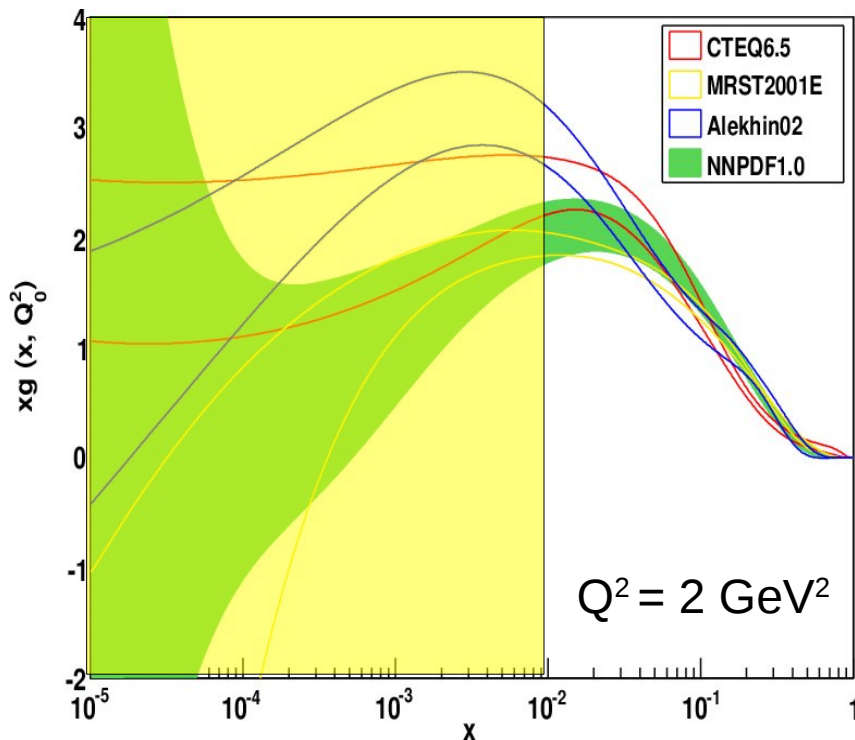
Phenomenologically modeled. Energy extrapolations  $\pm 20\text{-}30\%$  uncertainty.

# Badly known gluon density at low-x

- Large uncertainties also in pQCD parton-parton x-sections: gluon density at low fractional momentum  $x=p(\text{parton})/p(\text{proton})$ .
- Most of our current knowledge of gluons comes indirectly from DIS  $F_2$  “scaling violations”:
 
$$\frac{\partial F_2(x, Q^2)}{\partial \ln(Q^2)} \approx \frac{10\alpha_s(Q^2)}{27\pi} xg(x, Q^2)$$
- Gluon badly constrained below  $x \sim 10^{-2}$  at moderate  $Q^2$ :

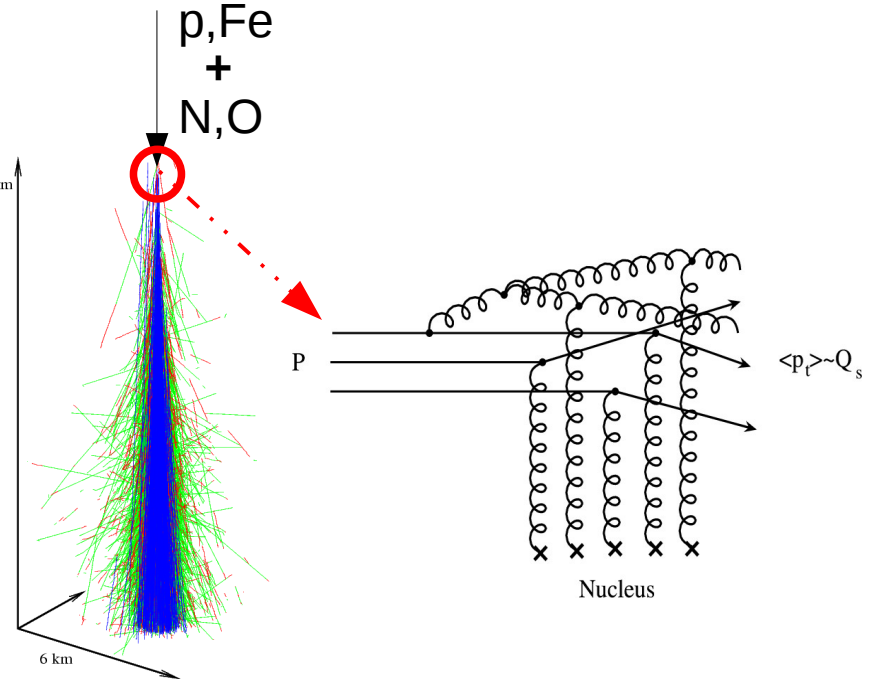
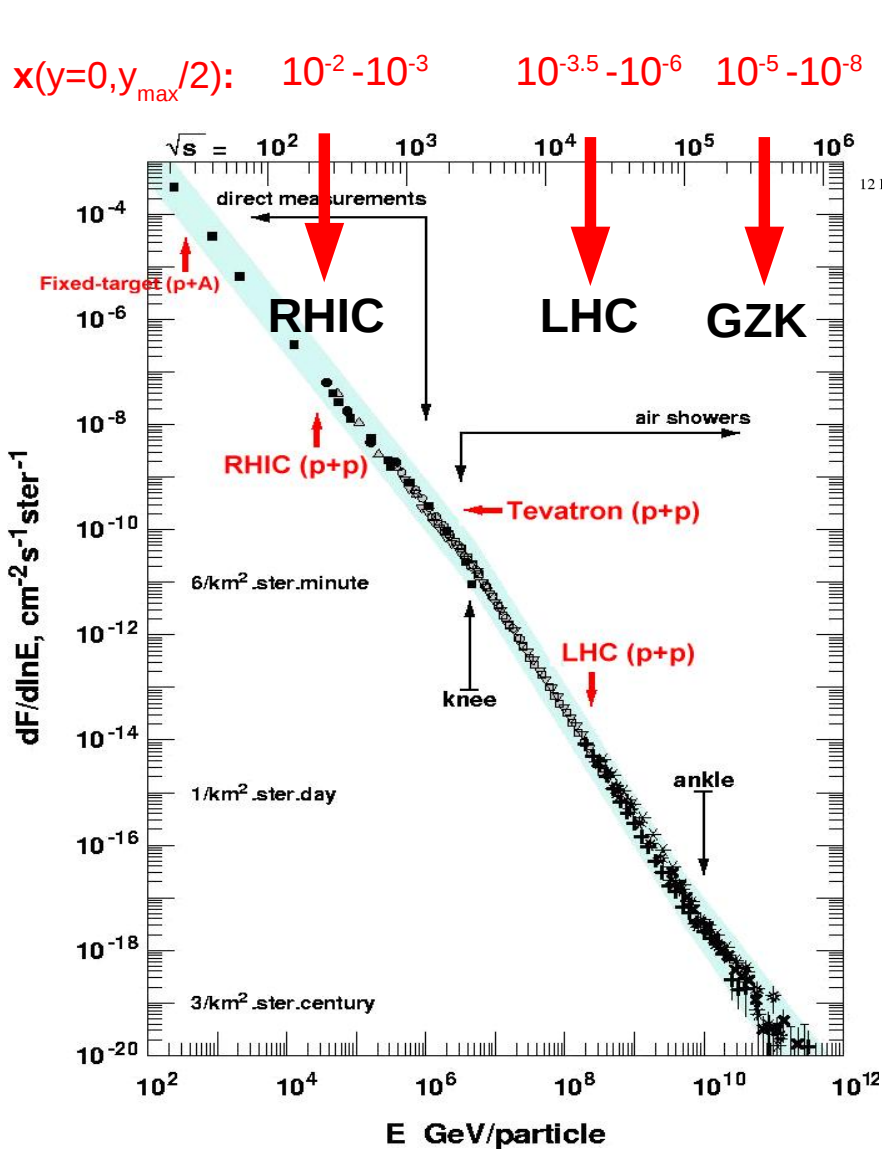


J. Rojo et al. arXiv:0808.1231





# Low-x in UHECRs collisions



- At **GZK** cut-off energies, Mostly **gluon-gluon** interactions at  $x \sim 10^{-5}-10^{-8}$  !

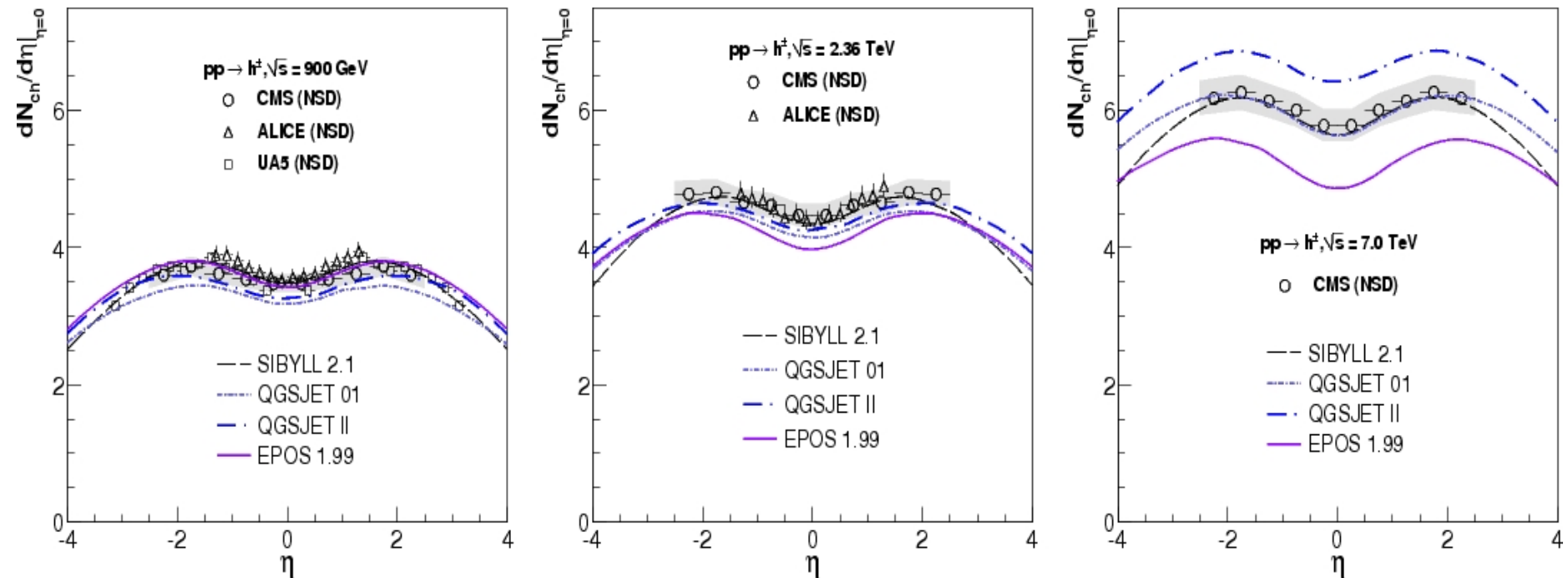
# Particle pseudorapidity density (p-p, LHC)

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- 0.9, 2.36, 7.0 TeV (non-single-diffractive) charged-hadron data versus CRs MC:

Particle multiplicity not completely well predicted at 7.0 TeV:

“Simplest” models: QGSJET-01, SIBYLL 2.1 better than more complete ones



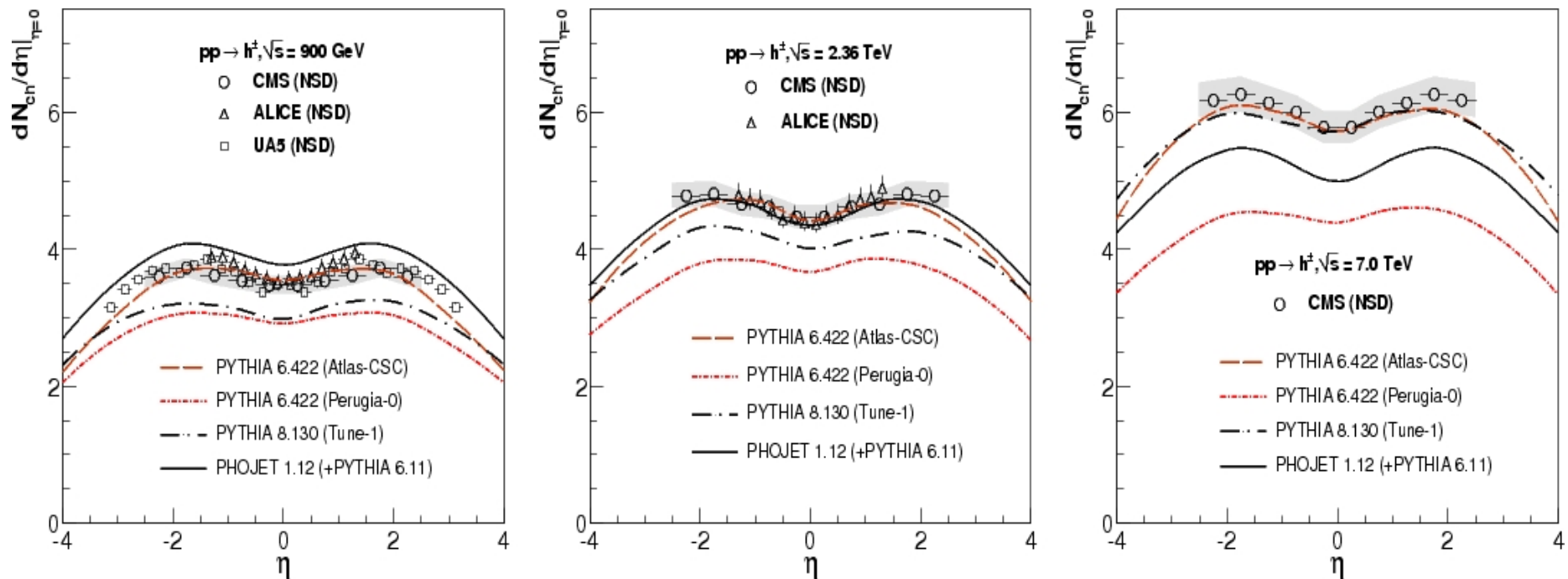
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Particle multiplicity **not well reproduced** at 2.36, 7.0 TeV by most tunings:

**Less particles predicted** in most MCs than in real data.

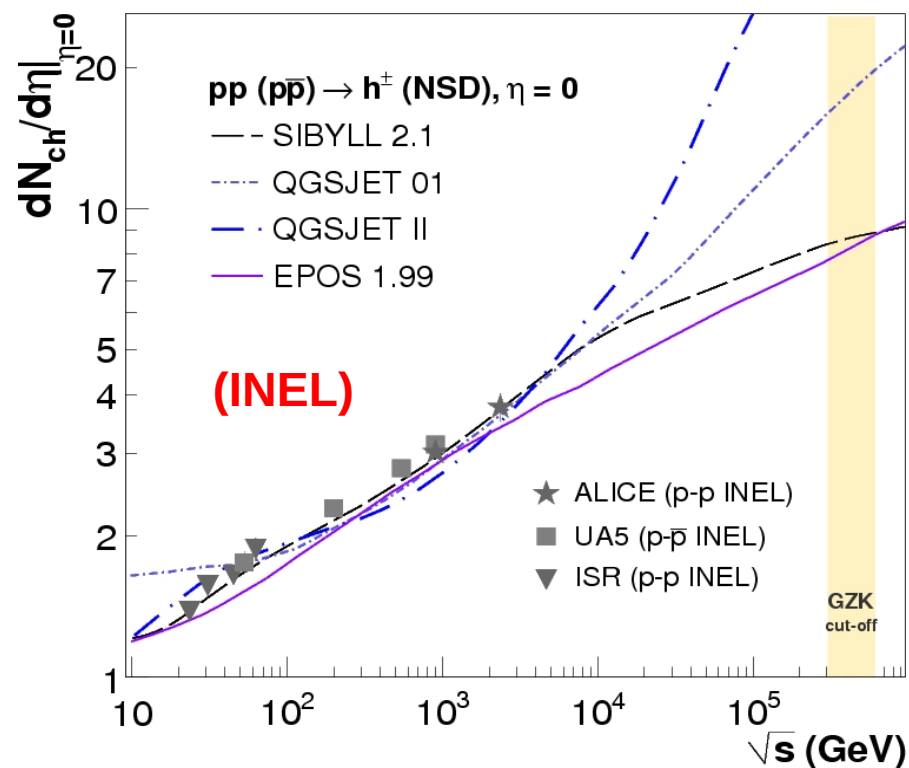
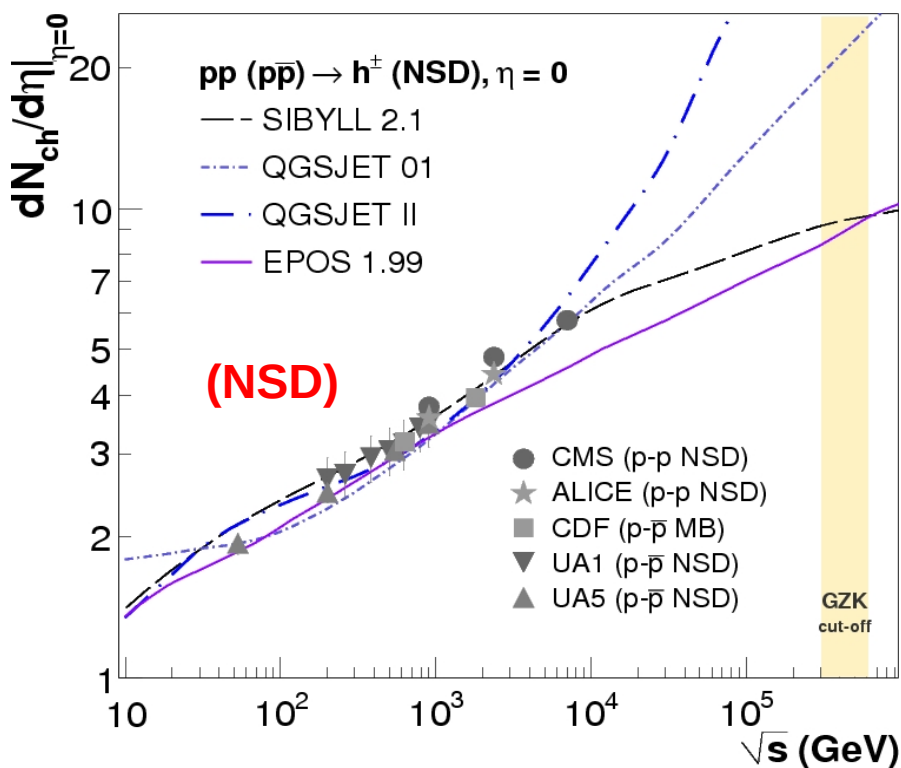


# Particle pseudorapidity densities (LHC-GZK)

[DdE, R.Engel, S.Ostapchenko, T.Pierog, K. Werner: in preparation]

■ Large differences predicted at  $\sqrt{s}_{\text{GZK}} \sim 300 \text{ TeV}$  !

QGSJET-II ( $\sim 40$ ) > QGSJET01 ( $\sim 20$ ) > SIBYLL 2.1, EPOS 1.99 ( $\sim 8$ )



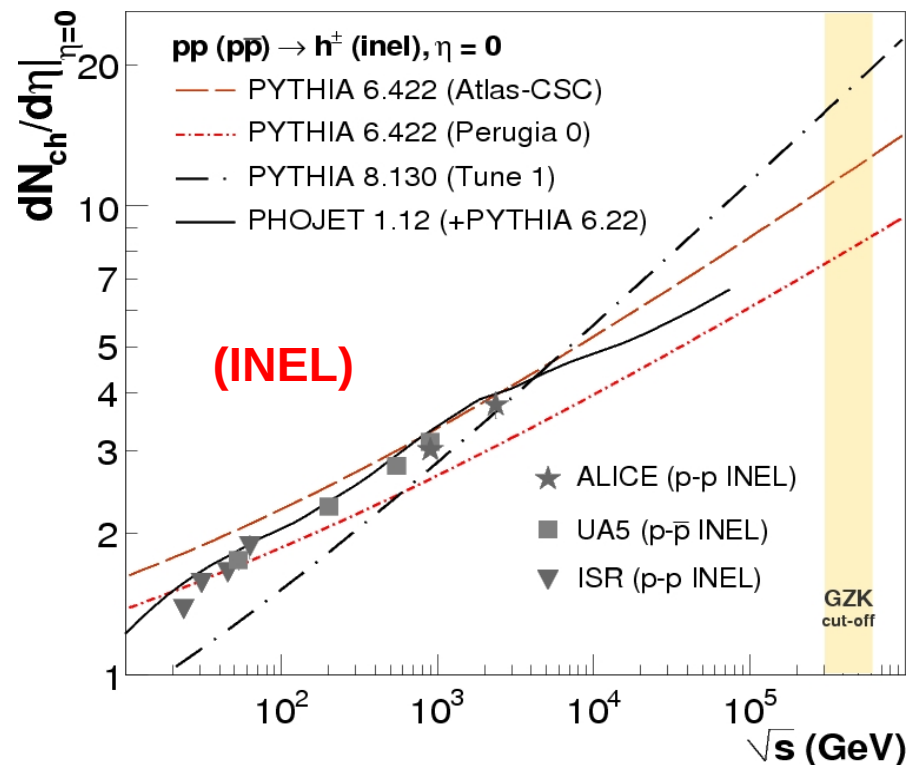
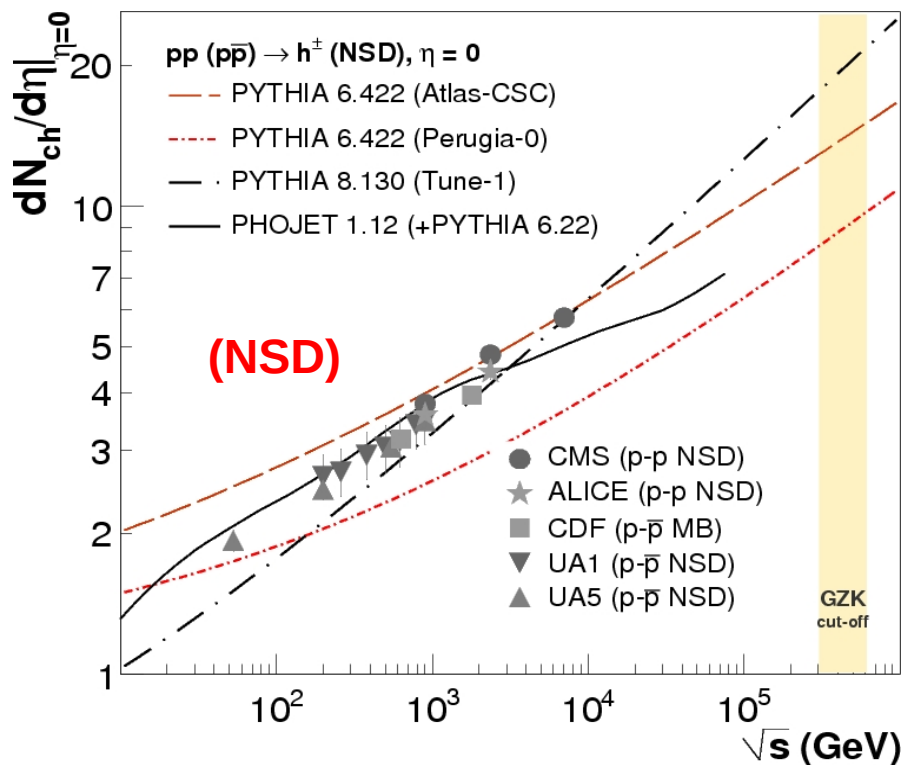
■ GZK: models with  $dN_{\text{ch}}/d\eta \sim 20$  favoured (p-p data at 14-TeV needed)

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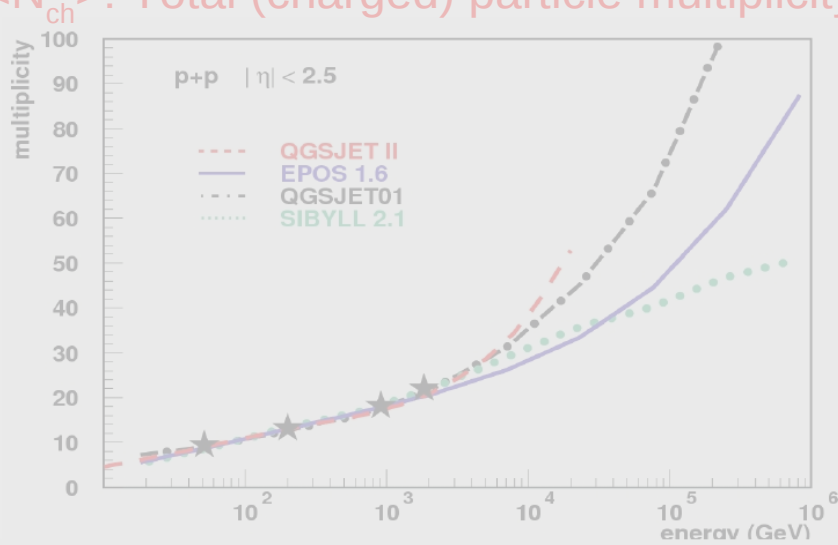
■ Large differences predicted by PYTHIA-tunes at  $\sqrt{s} \sim 300$  GeV!

PYTHIA 8.130 ( $\sim 20$ ) > ATLAS-CSC ( $\sim 15$ ) > Perugia-0 (discarded)

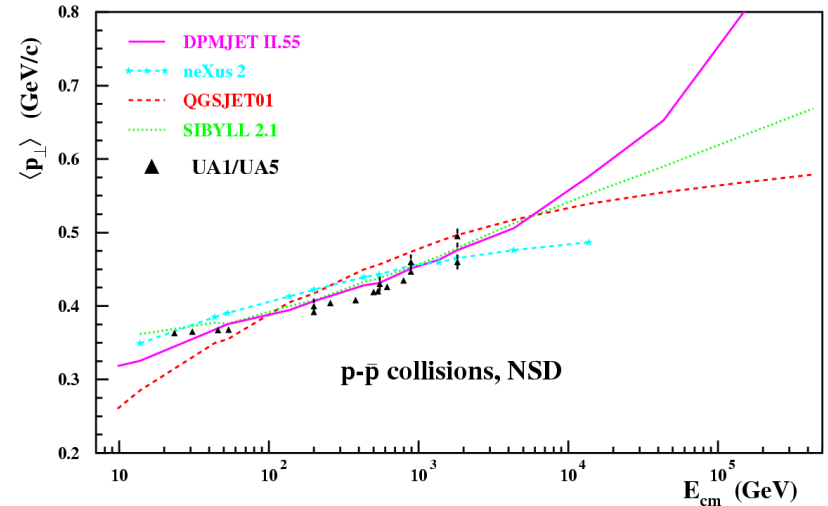


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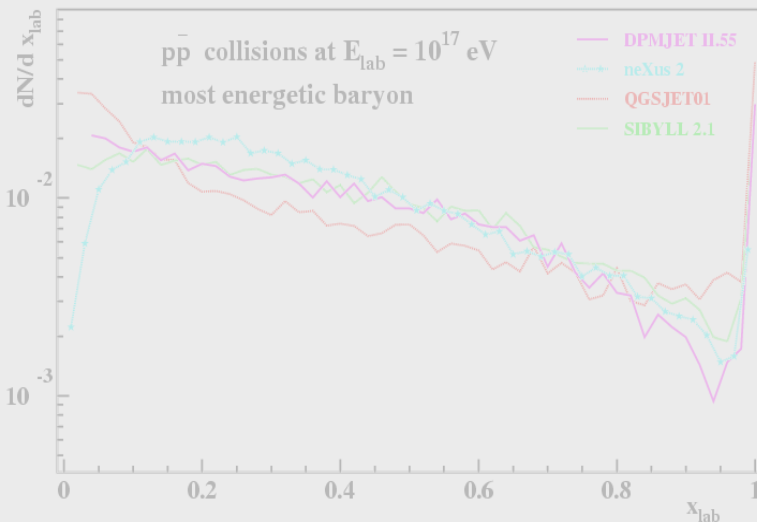
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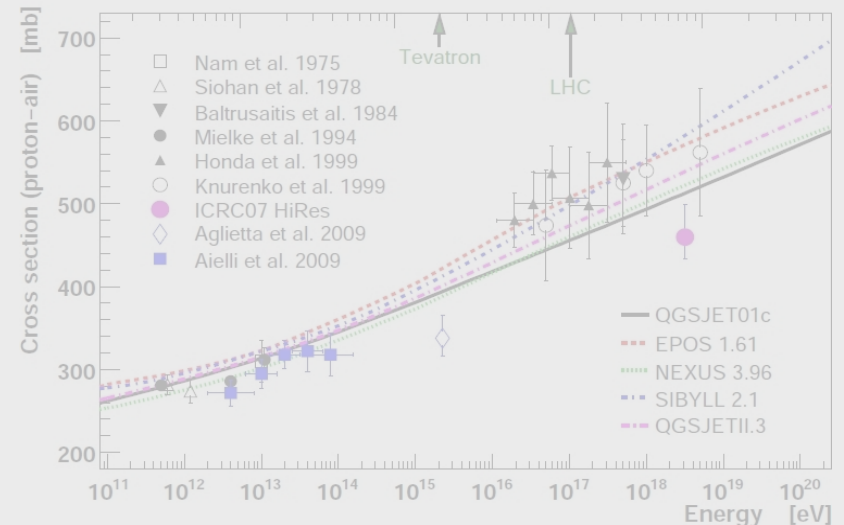
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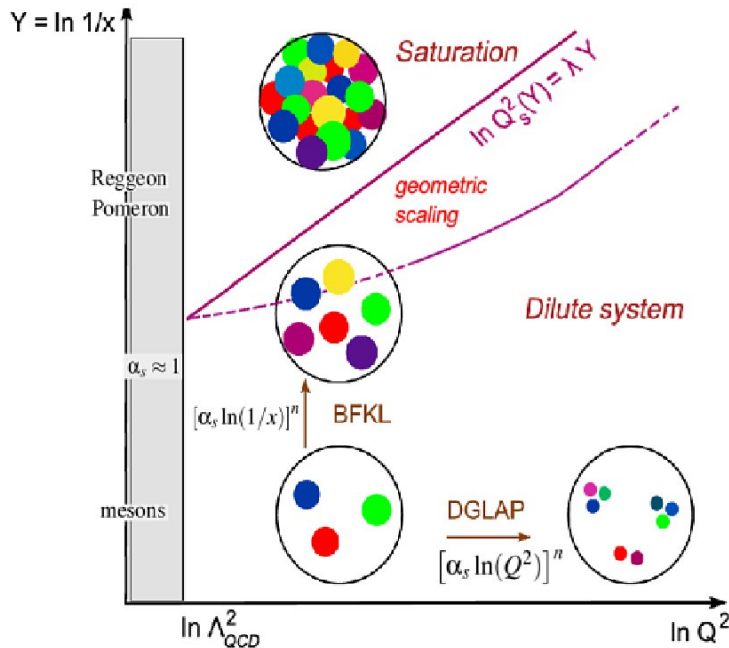
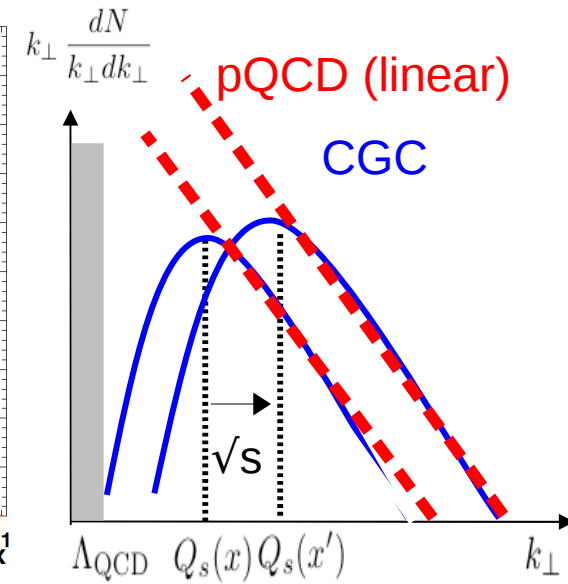
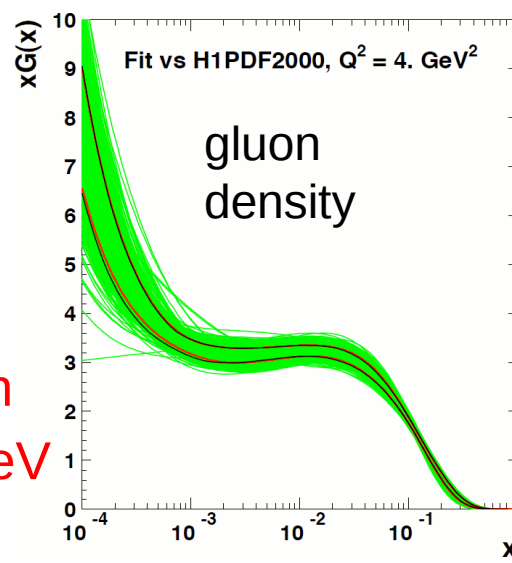


# Gluon saturation (non-linear QCD)

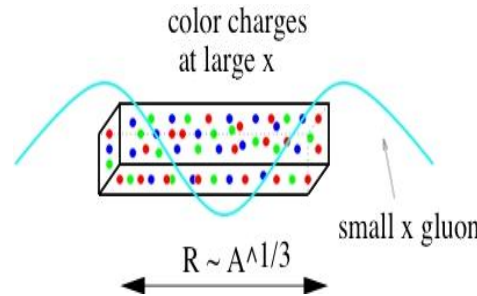
- Gluons start to **overlap** at **“saturation scale”**

$$Q_s^2 \sim \alpha_s \frac{x G_A(x, Q_s^2)}{\pi R_A^2}$$

- pQCD gluon-gluon **x-section** peaks at  $p_T \sim Q_s(\sqrt{s}) \sim 1-4 \text{ GeV}$



- Hadrons ~ **“Color Glass Condensate”** below  $Q_s$
- Saturation effects **enhanced in nuclei**:

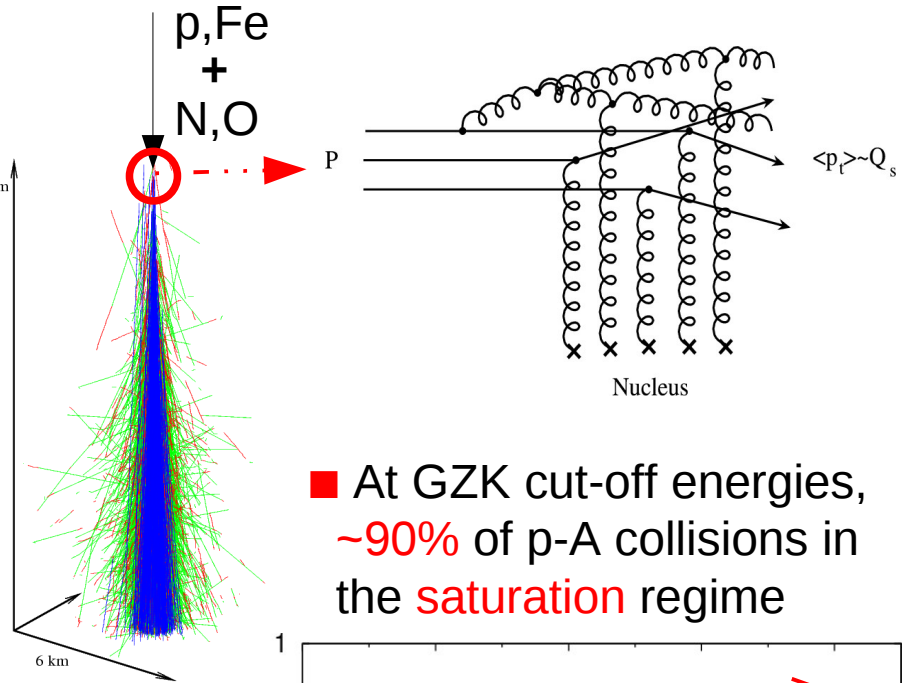
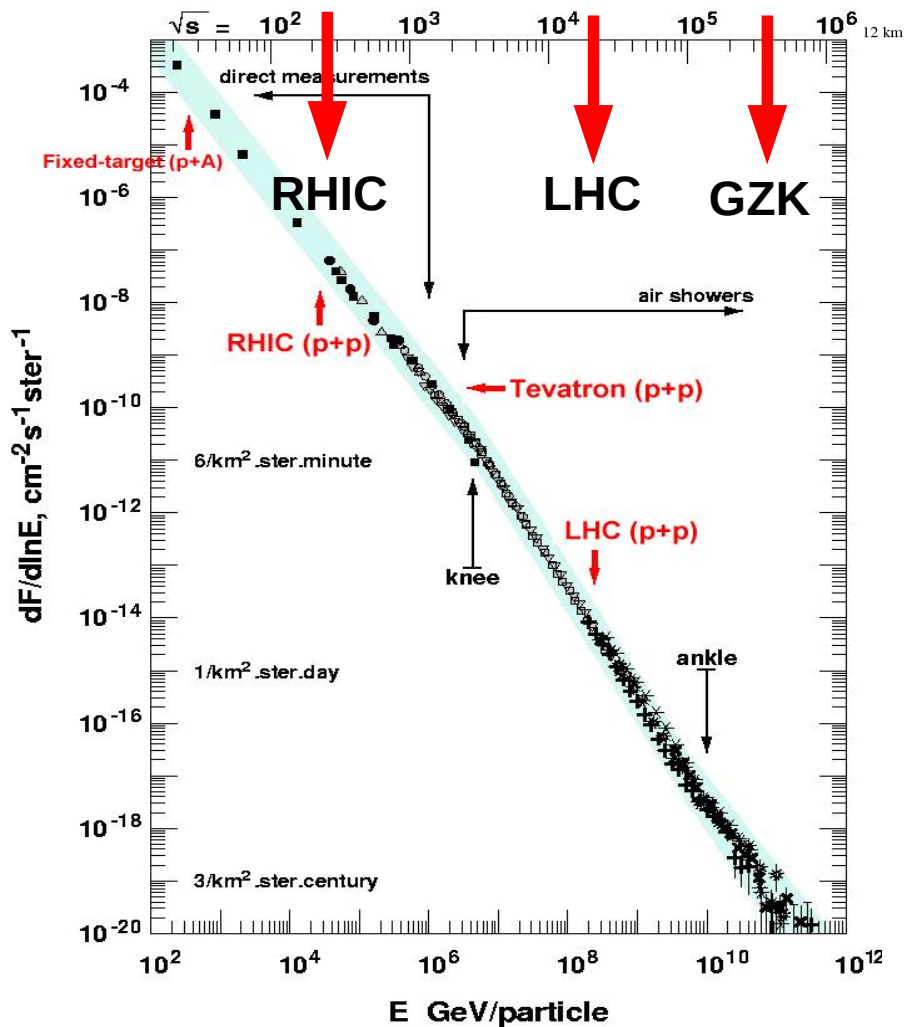


Large # of partons per transverse area

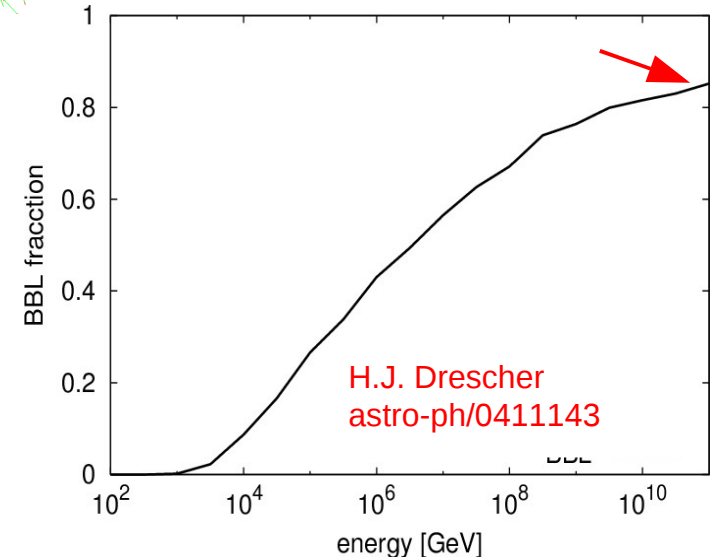
$$Q_s^2 \sim A^{1/3} \sim 6$$

# Gluon saturation in UHECRs: p-Air, Fe-Air

$x(y=0, y_{\max}/2): 10^{-2}-10^{-3} \quad 10^{-3.5}-10^{-6} \quad 10^{-5}-10^{-8}$   
 $Q_s^2: \sim 1.5\text{GeV}^2 \quad \sim 4\text{GeV}^2 \quad \sim 16\text{GeV}^2$



■ At GZK cut-off energies,  $\sim 90\%$  of p-A collisions in the **saturation** regime

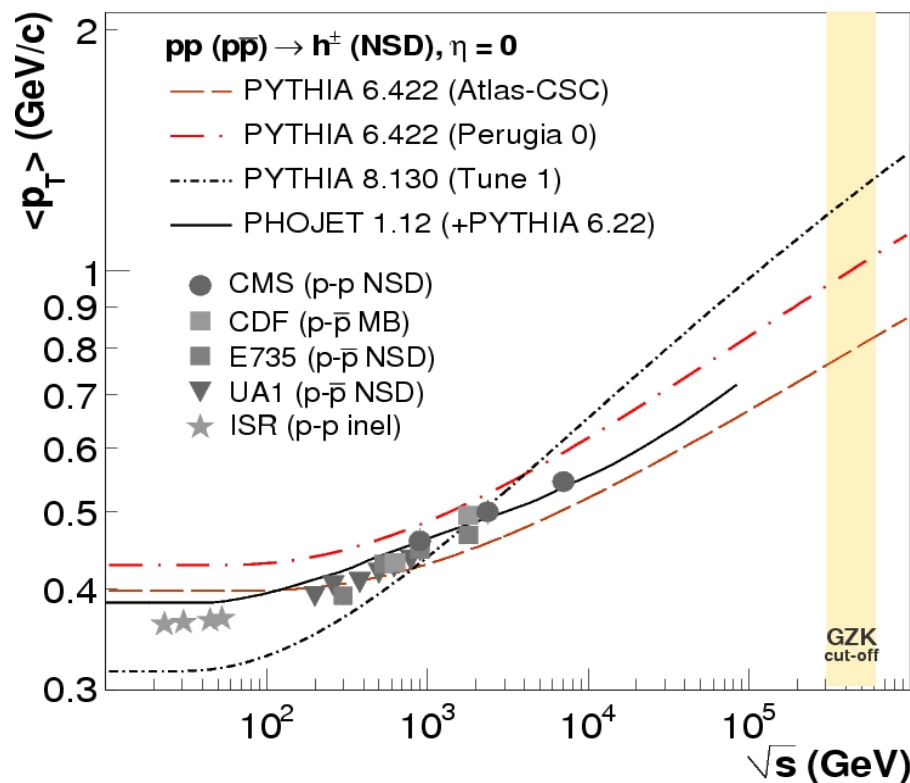
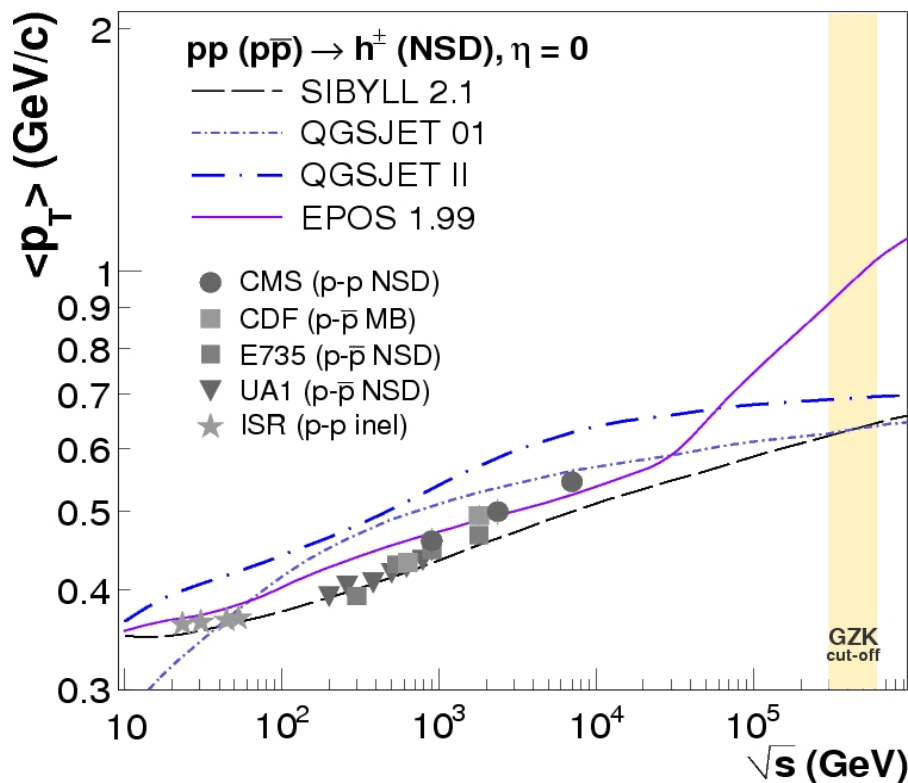




# Average hadron transv. momentum (LHC-GZK)

[DdE, R.Engel, S.Ostapchenko, T.Pierog, K. Werner: in preparation]

- $\langle p_T \rangle$ : sensitive to pQCD x-sections and to gluon-saturation.
- $\langle p_T \rangle$ : sqrt(s)-evolution mildly reproduced by models



- CRs MCs predict very slow  $\langle p_T \rangle$  increase (except EPOS, but due to collective flow)

- PYTHIA:  $\langle p_T \rangle \sim 0.7-1.5$  GeV/c at GZK

# Examples of implications for EAS

## ■ Reduced $dN/d\eta$ (esp. fwd):

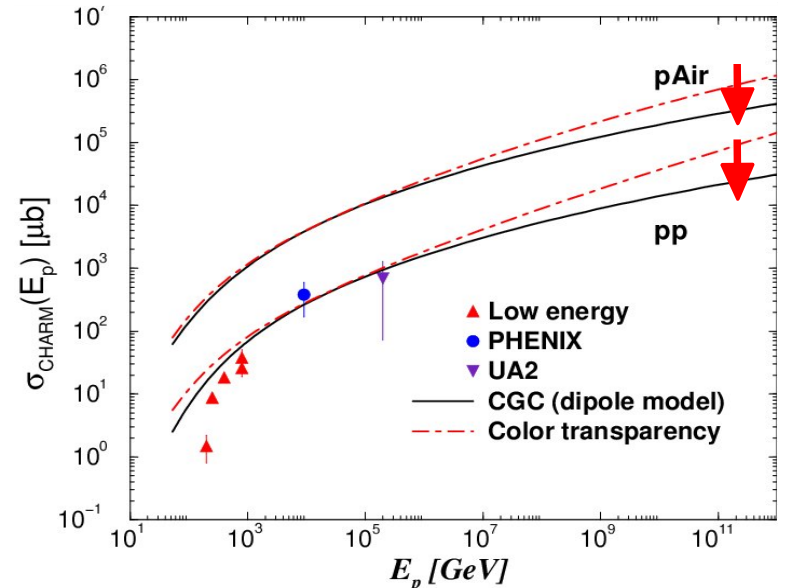
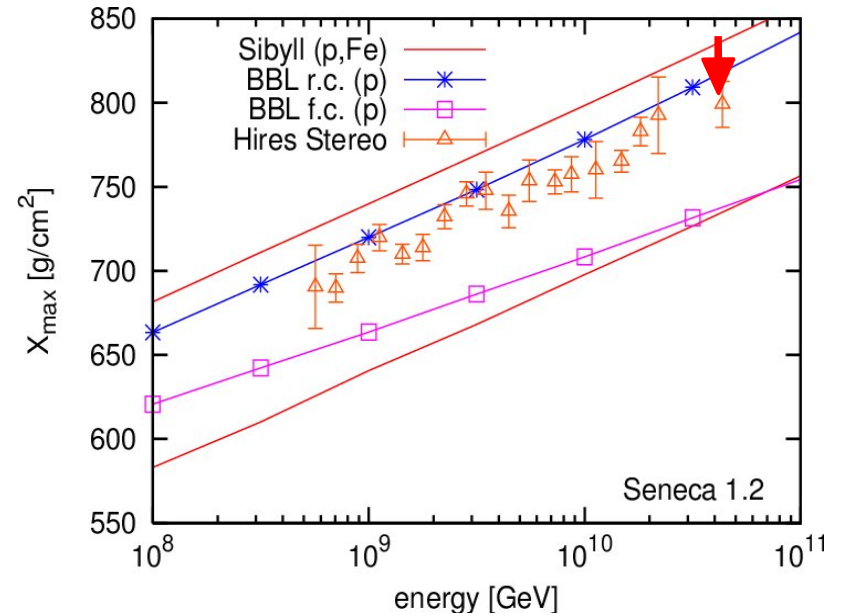
Less penetration:  
 lower  $X_{\max}$  ( $\sim -30 \text{ g/cm}^2$ )

Drescher, Dumitru, Strikman  
 PRL 94 (2005) 231801

## ■ Reduced charm cross sections:

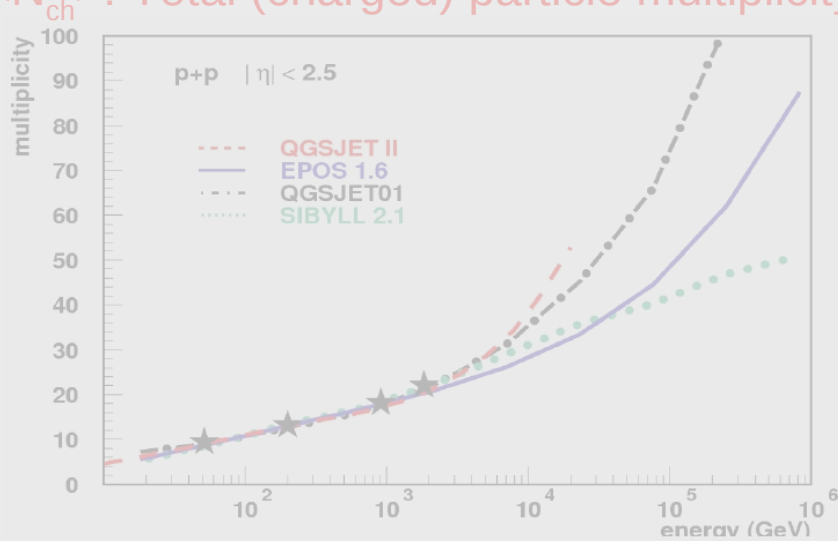
Less muons

Machado&Goncalves  
 JHEP0704 (2007) 028

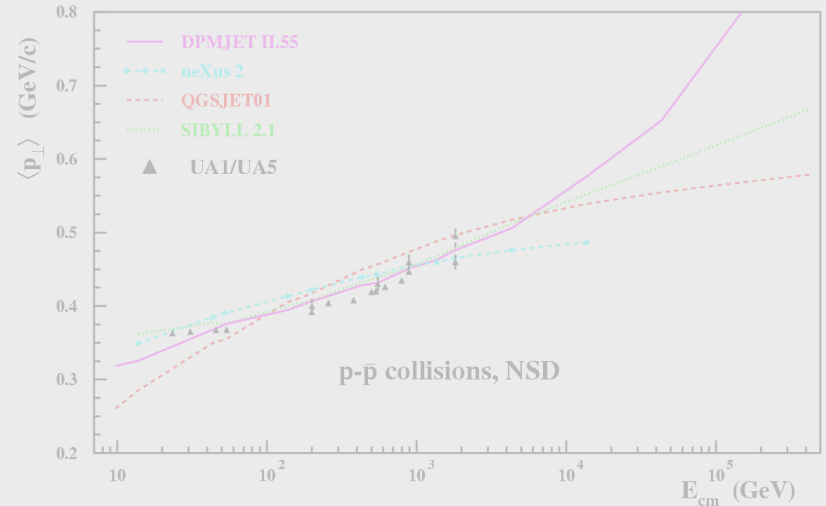


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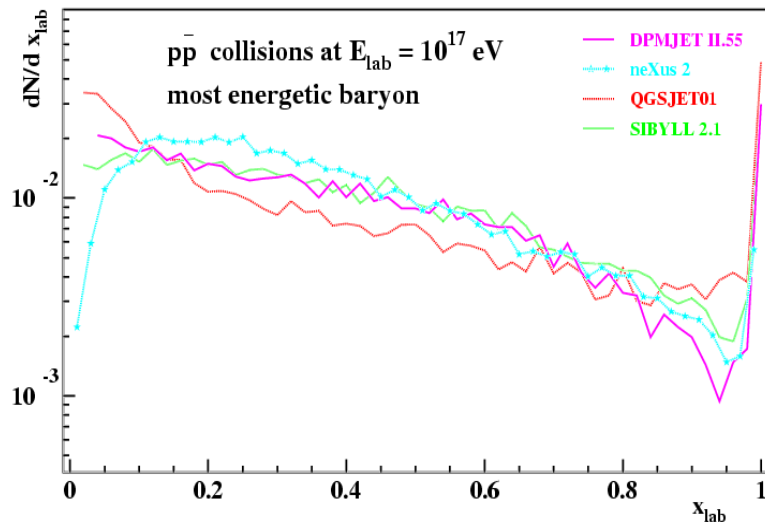
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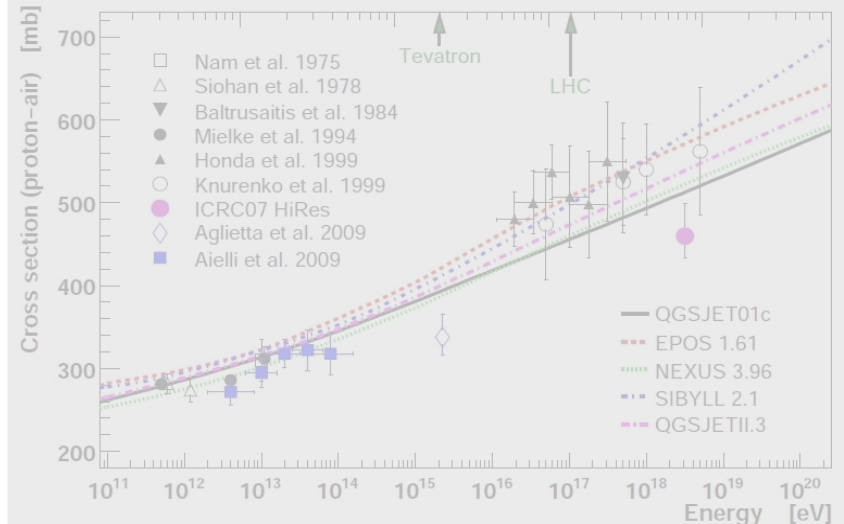
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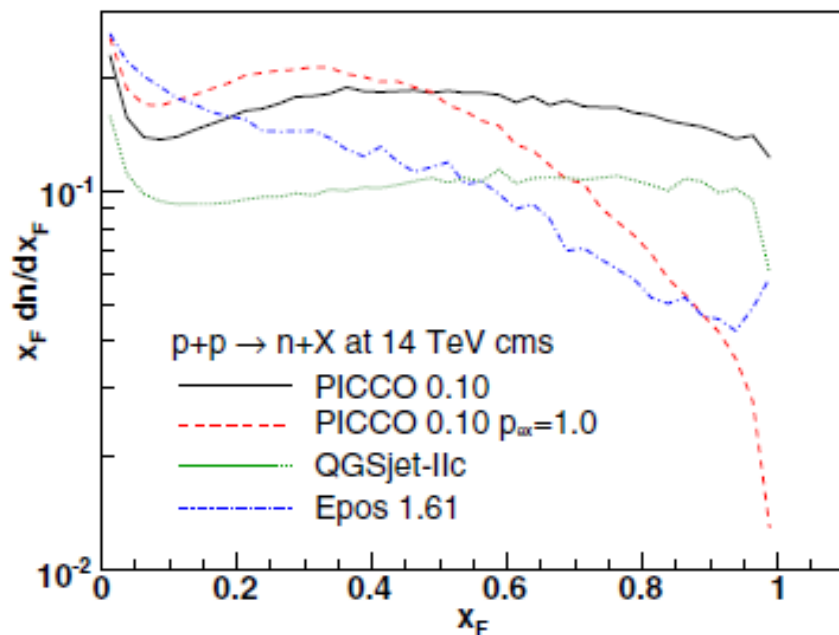
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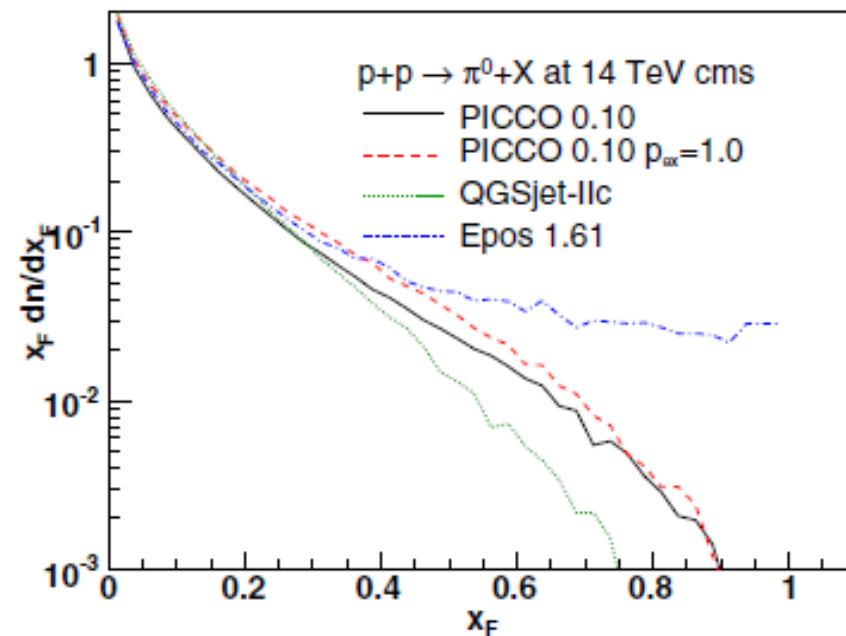
# Forward hadron & leading-baryon production

- **Forward multiplicity**: very sensitive to primary shower development: **leading baryon** (inelasticity).
- LHC detectors present at **zero-degrees** for neutral particles:

Leading **neutron**:



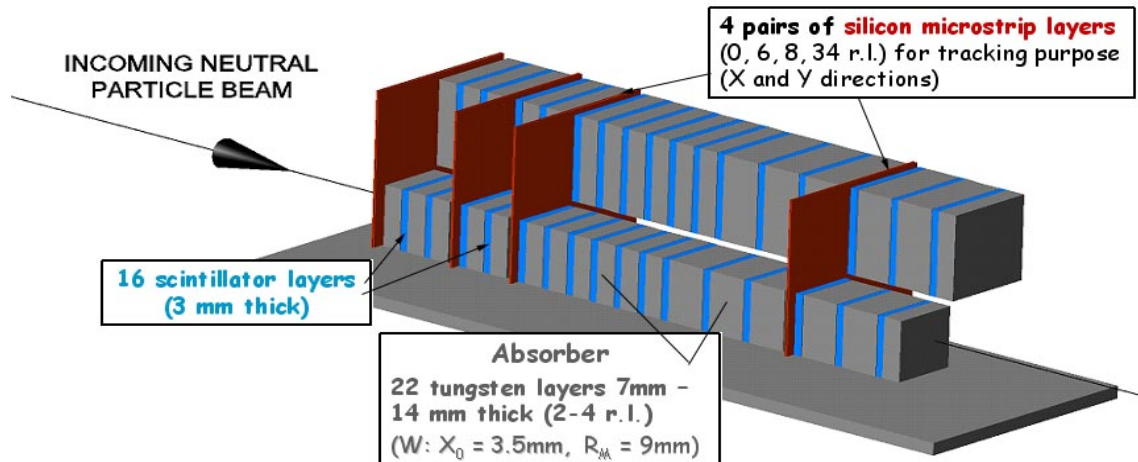
Neutral **mesons** ( $\pi^0, \eta, K_s^0 \rightarrow \gamma$ 's):



- Strong **constraints** on non-perturbative: **beam-remnants**, fragmentat., ...  
MC ingredients

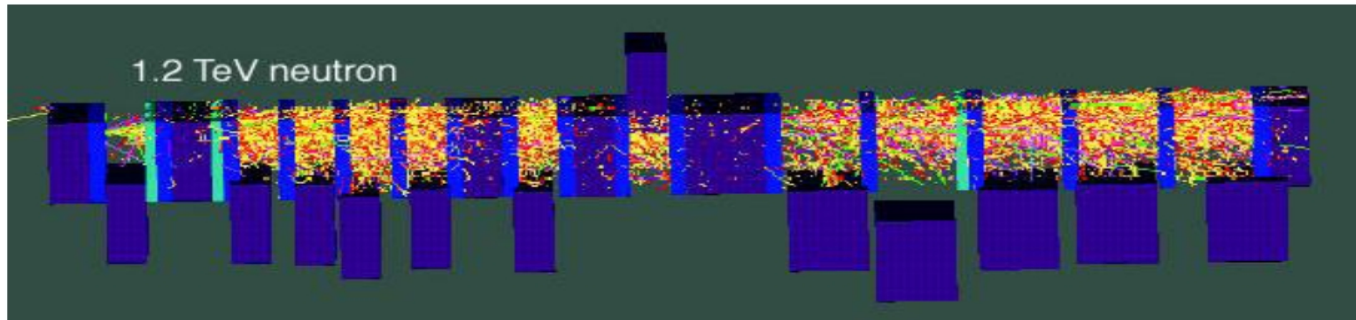
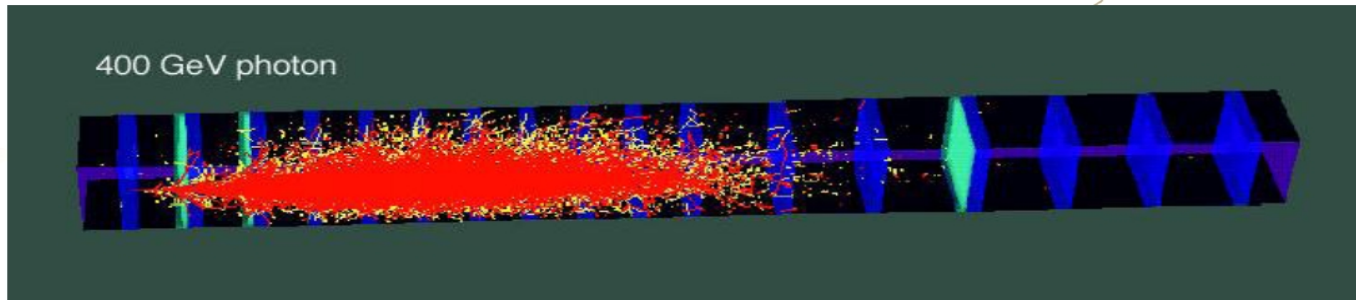
# LHC-forward experiment

- **LHC-f** ( $\pm 140\text{m}$  in ATLAS tunnel): **UHECR-dedicated** detector.  
(smallest LHC experiment: 30 people)

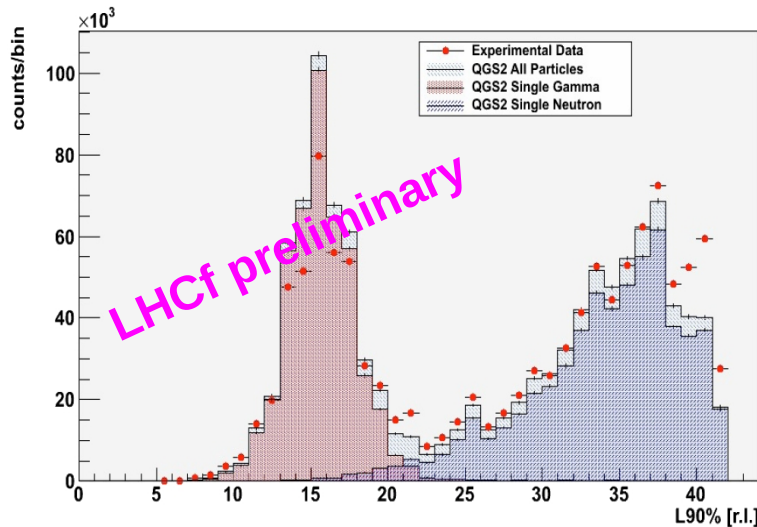


- Sci-fiber/W calo + Si-strip detector:  **$n, \gamma$  detection** for  $|\eta| > 8.3$
- ATLAS & CMS **Zero-Degree-Calorimeter** also in same region

# LHCf: Neutron-gamma PID

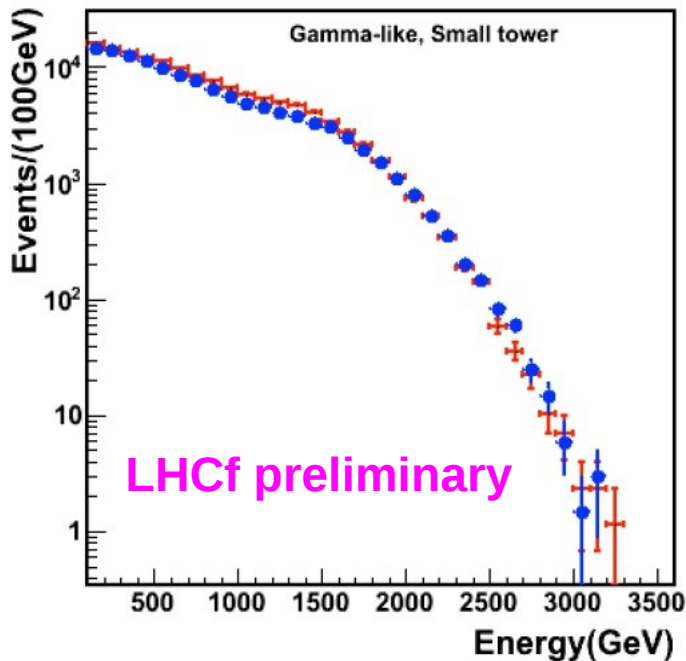


■ Showers simulations



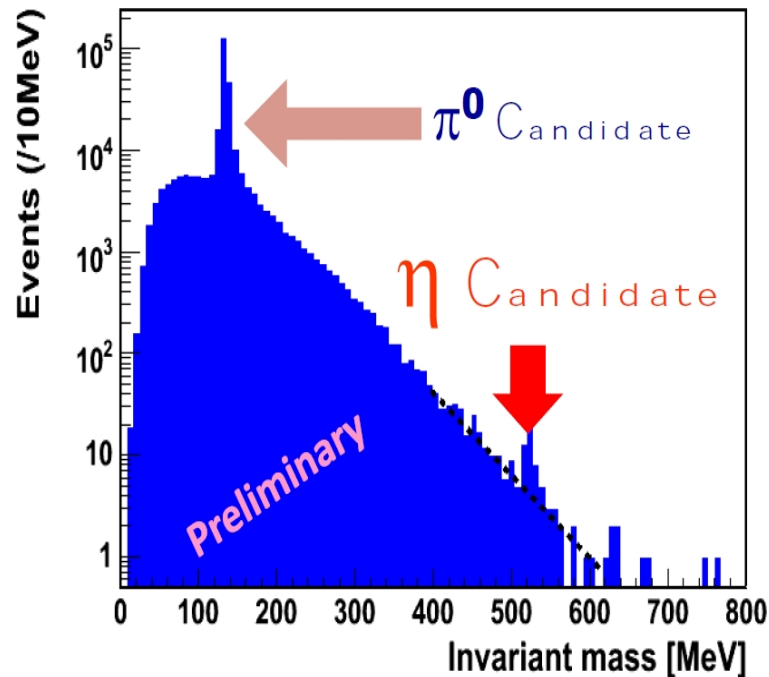
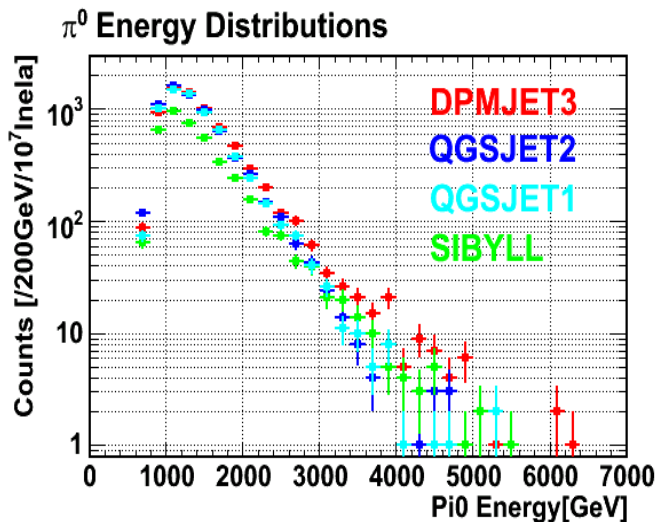
■ Good agreement data with shower simulation ( $L_{90\%}$ )

# LHCf: TeV-photons measured for 1<sup>st</sup> time in lab !



■ 10 times higher-energy EM-showers than ever before in the laboratory

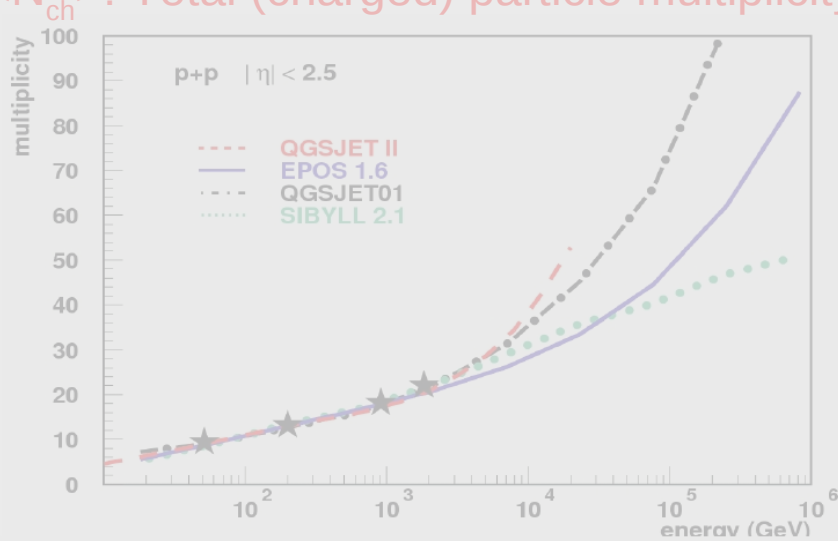
■ TeV neutral pions,  $\eta \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



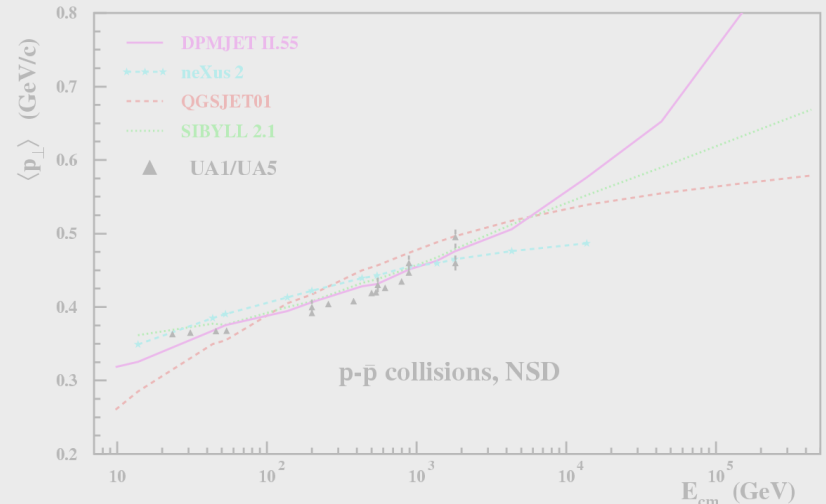
(First final results within months)

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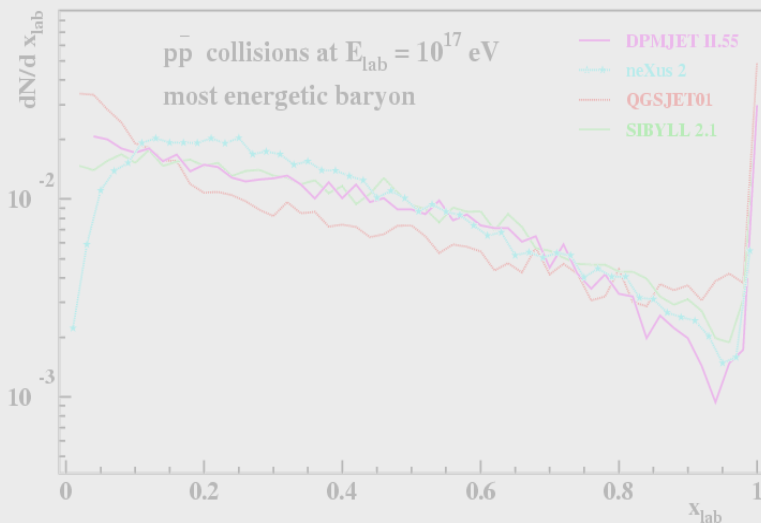
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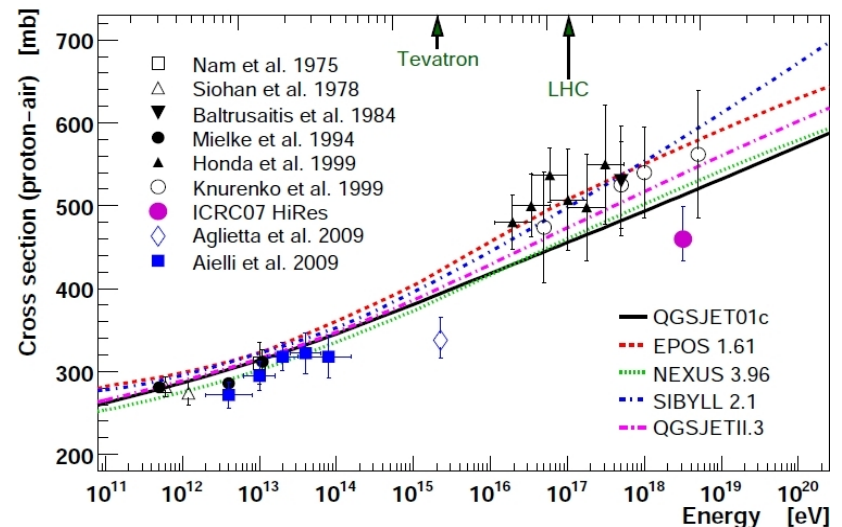
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# proton-proton cross sections

■ Total cross-sections at the LHC:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \sigma_{\text{el}} + \sigma_{\text{in}}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{in}} = \sigma_{\text{parton}} + \sigma_{\text{SD}} + \sigma_{\text{DD}} + \sigma_{\text{DPE}}$$

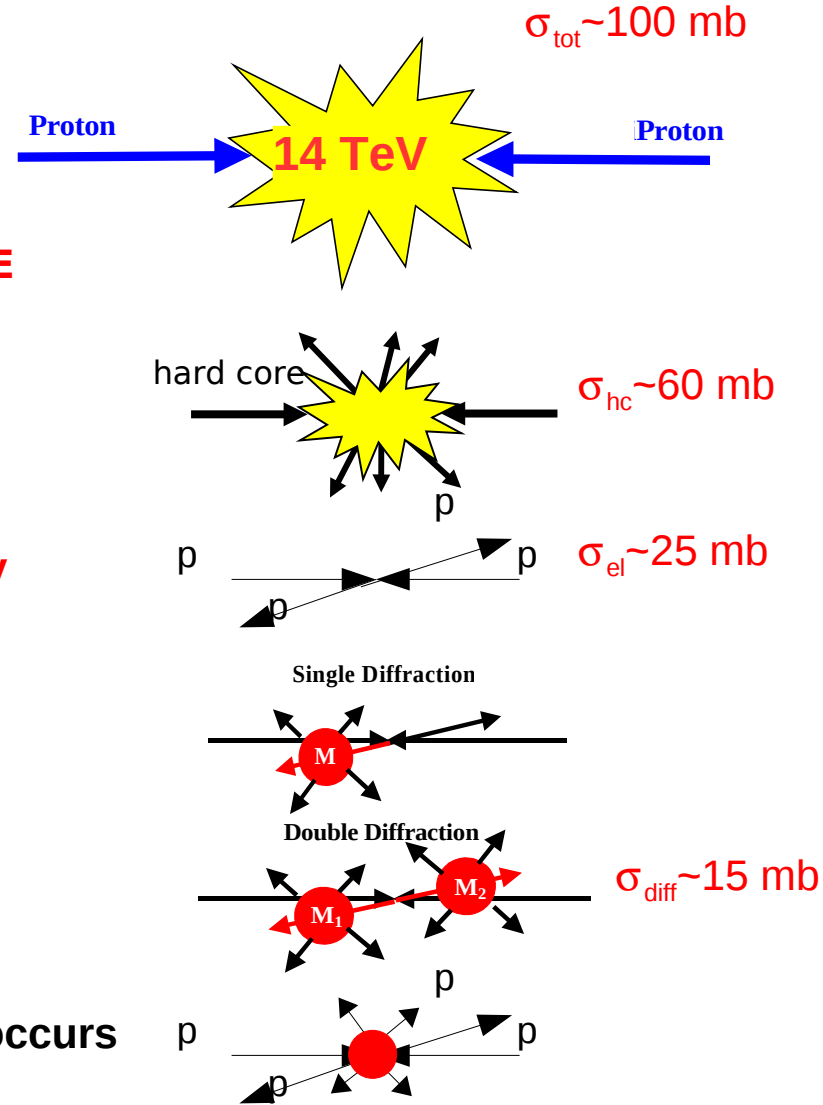
~60% of the time a **“hard”** collision occurs

~25% of the time the protons **scatter elastically**

~10% of the time **single diffraction** occurs

~1% of the time **double diffraction** occurs

~1% of the time **central (exclusive) diffraction** occurs



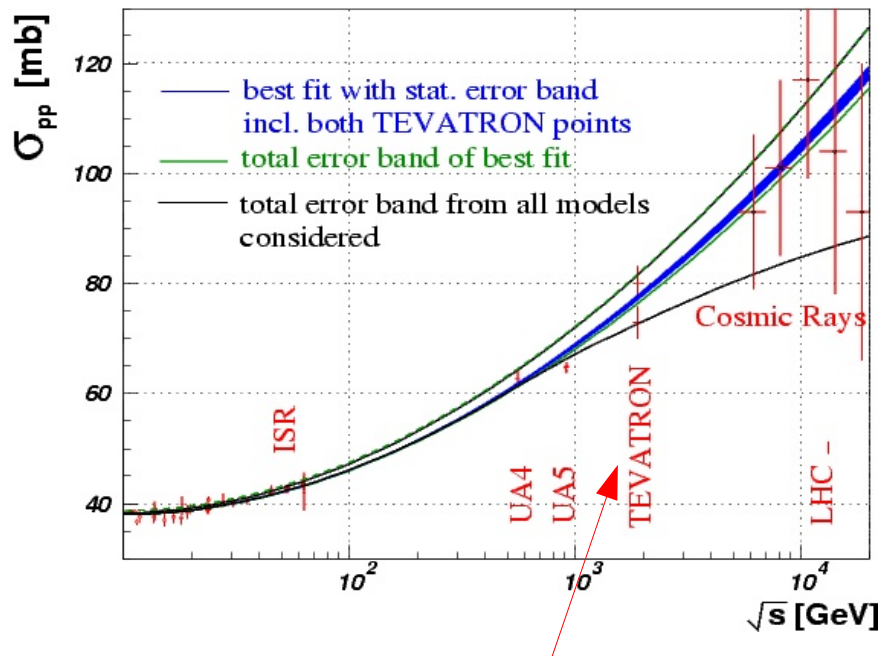
# Total & elastic p-p cross sections

- Non-computable from QCD Lagrangian, but constrained by fundamental QM relations: Froisart bound, optical theorem, dispersion relations.

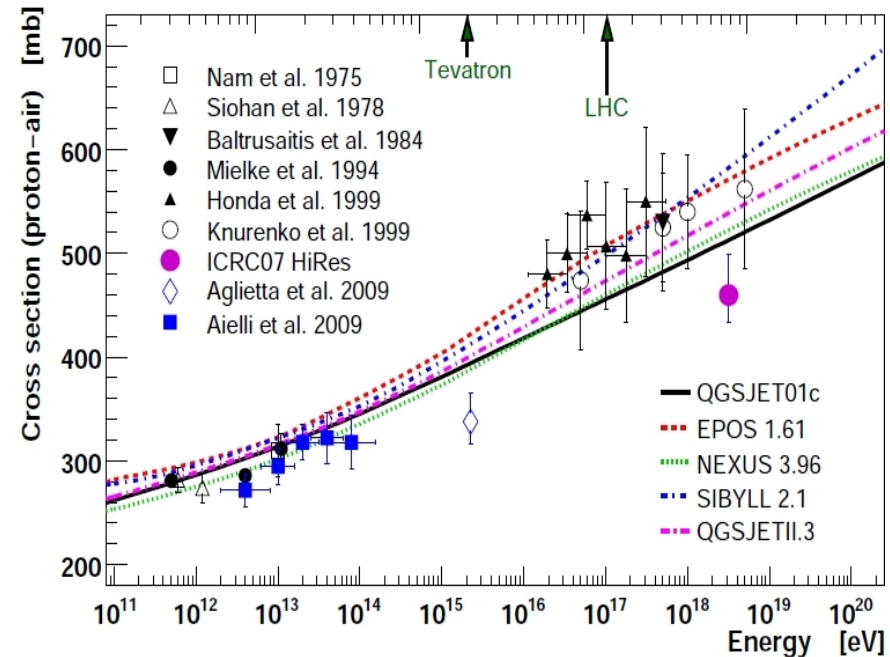
- LHC p-p x-section predictions:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{LHC}) = 90\text{-}120 \text{ mb } \begin{matrix} +10 \\ -20 \end{matrix} \%.$$

- p-Air x-sections even more uncertain (Glauber model):

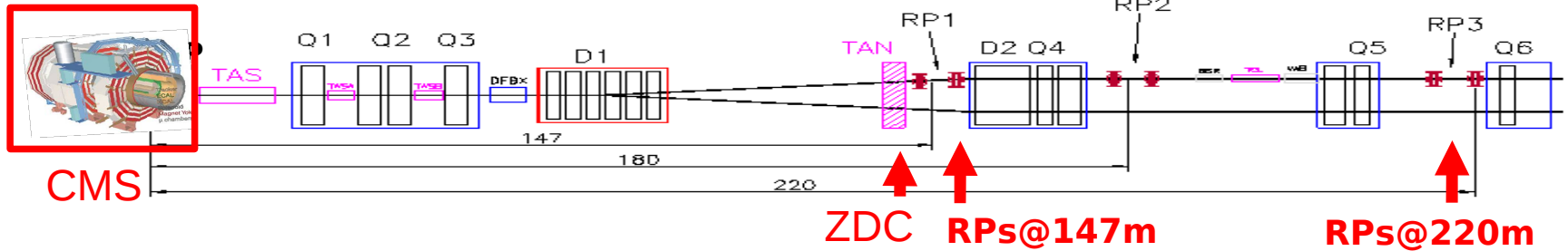


(Tevatron: E710–CDF  $2.6\sigma$  disagreement)



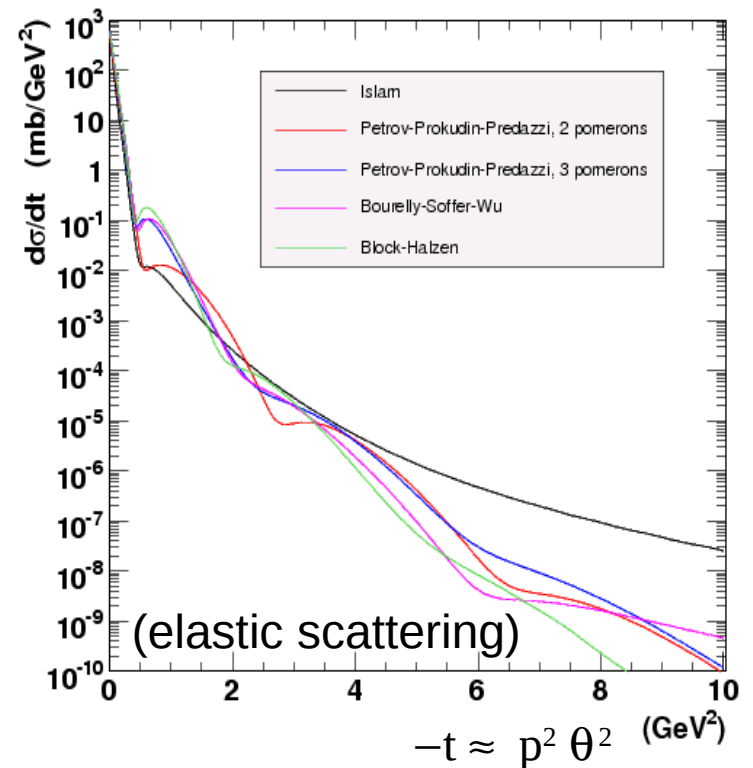
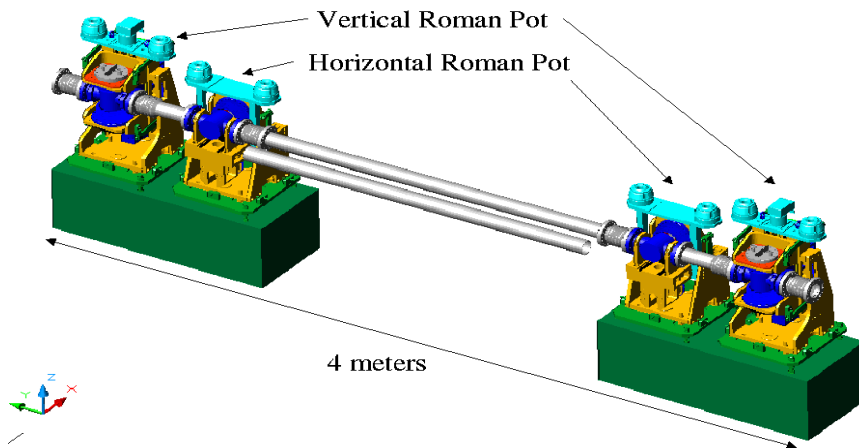
R.Ulrich, eConf C0906083 (2009)

# TOTEM Roman-Pots detectors



- **TOTEM** silicon Roman Pots: proton taggers inside LHC tunnel at  $\pm 147, \pm 220$  m

- Goal:  $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$  with  $\sim 1\%$  precision



# Summary (I)

## ■ Open questions in UHECRs physics:

### (1) Structures in spectral flux slope:

- **knee** –  $10^{15}$  eV : Z-dependent **leakage** of galactic CRs
- **ankle** –  $10^{18}$  eV: Intergalactic component kicks-in. **CRs charges ?**

### (2) Sources of CRs with $E \sim 10^{20}$ eV:

- **No** astrophysical object known w/ acceleration power **beyond  $10^{20}$  eV**.
- **GZK cutoff** observed at  $3 \cdot 10^{19}$  eV, but general AGN-correlation unclear.
- **Charges of CRs** (deflection in intergalactic magnetic fields) ?

### (3) Identity of CRs with $E \sim 10^{20}$ eV:

- Latest  $X_{\max}$  position & fluctuations favour **Fe-like ions**.

## ■ LHC p-p data halves $\sqrt{s}$ -dependent **hadronic MC extrapolations**:

- Diffraction fraction. Low-x PDFs. Gluon saturation. Multiparton interactions. Beam remnants. Total x-sections ...

## ■ LHC measurements:

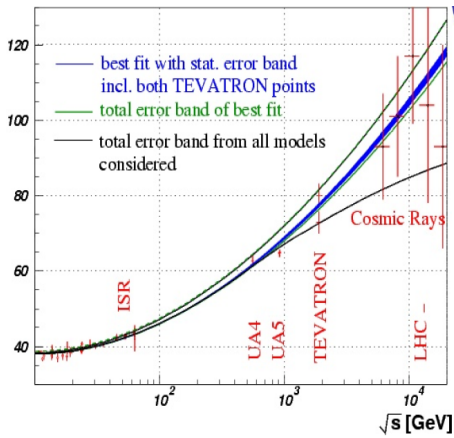
(1) New data vs. MCs: **particle multiplicity,  $\langle p_T \rangle$**

No model reproduces consistently current data (retunings needed)

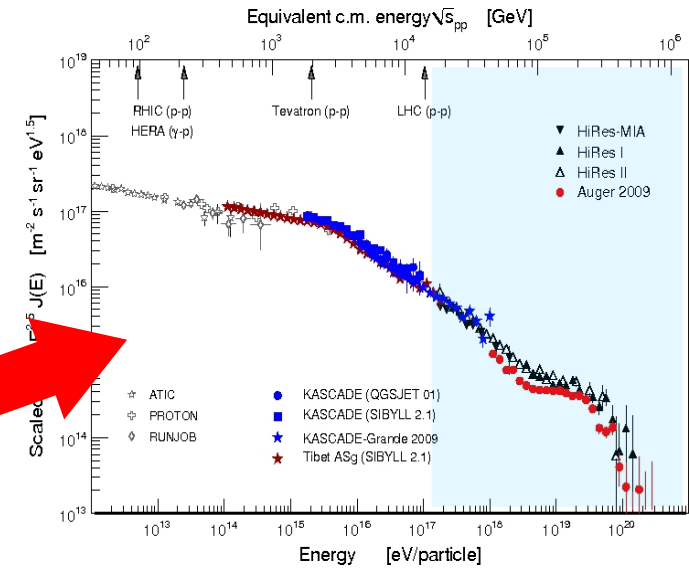
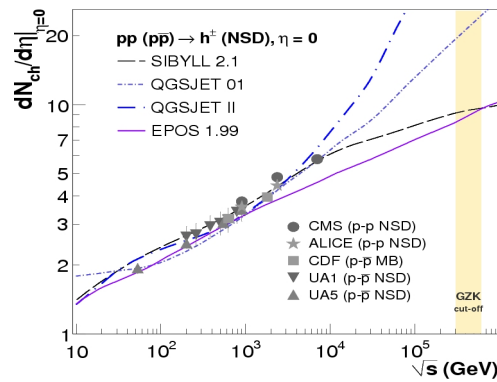
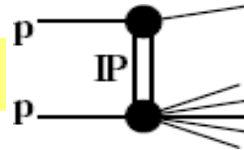
(2) Near-future data vs MCs: **total p-p cross-section, forward spectra**

# Summary (II): QCD @ LHC for UHECRs

## $\sigma_{tot}$ , elastic scatt.

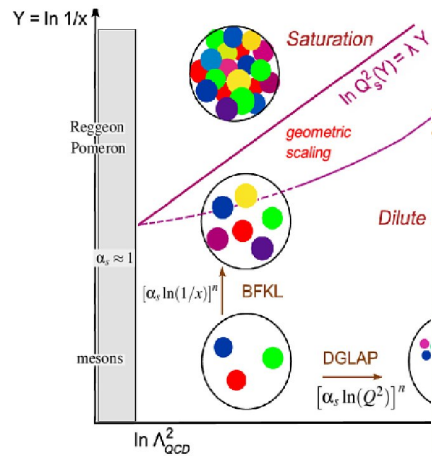


## diffraction

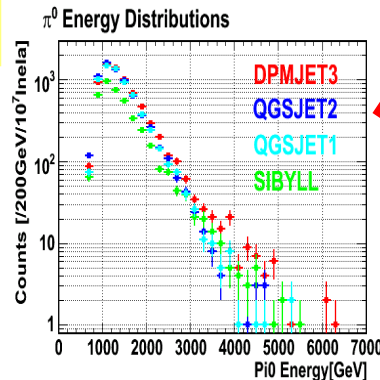
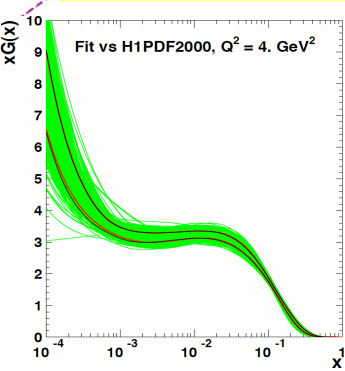


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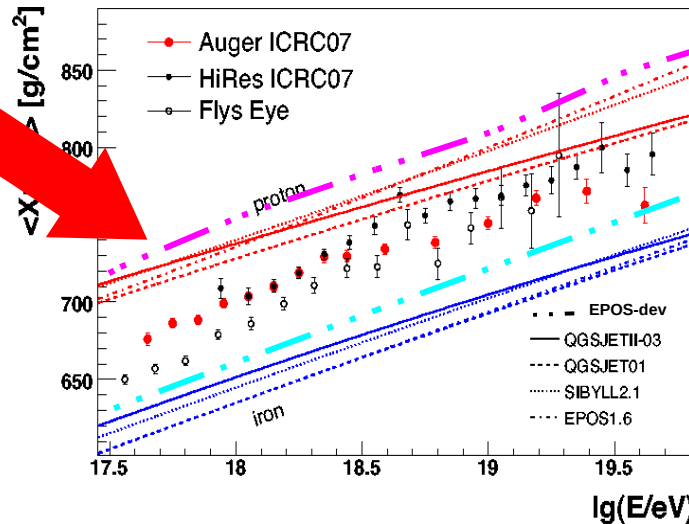
## UE, MPI, MB



## low-x PDFs



## beam remnants



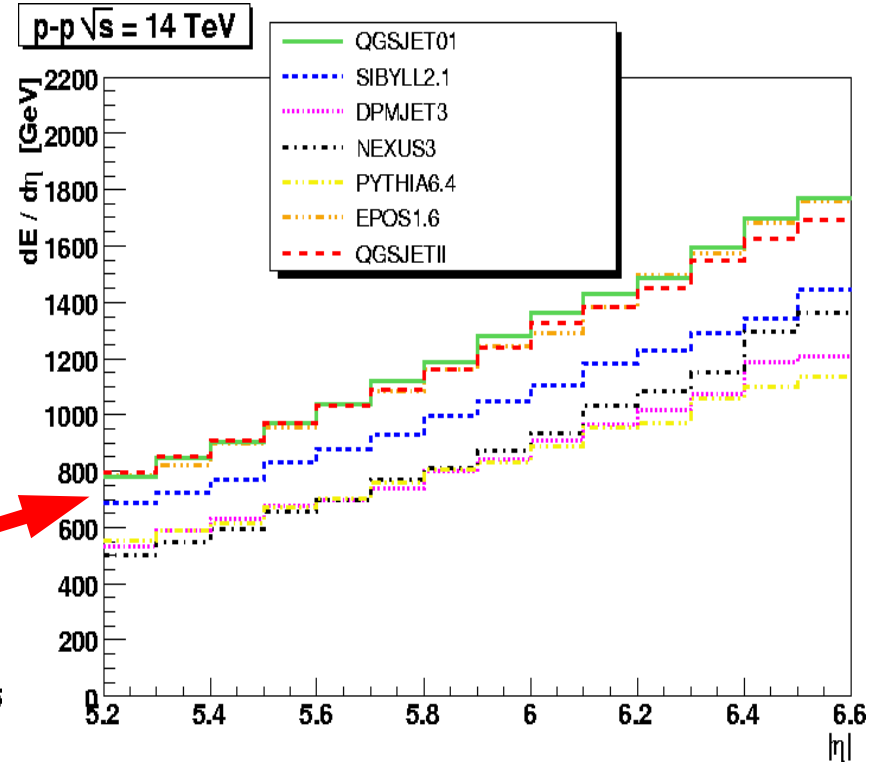
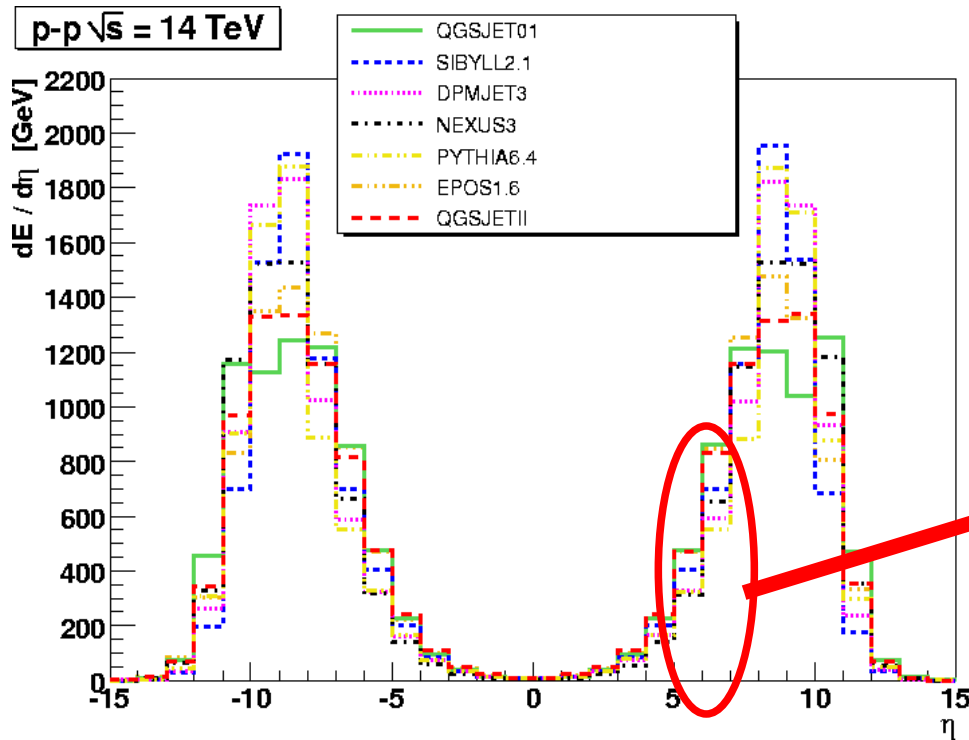
# Backup slides

# proton-proton @ $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV

- Energy rapidity densities ( $dE/d\eta$ ), dominated by **soft QCD**: underlying event, multi-parton interactions, fragmentation, ...

[full  $\eta$ ]

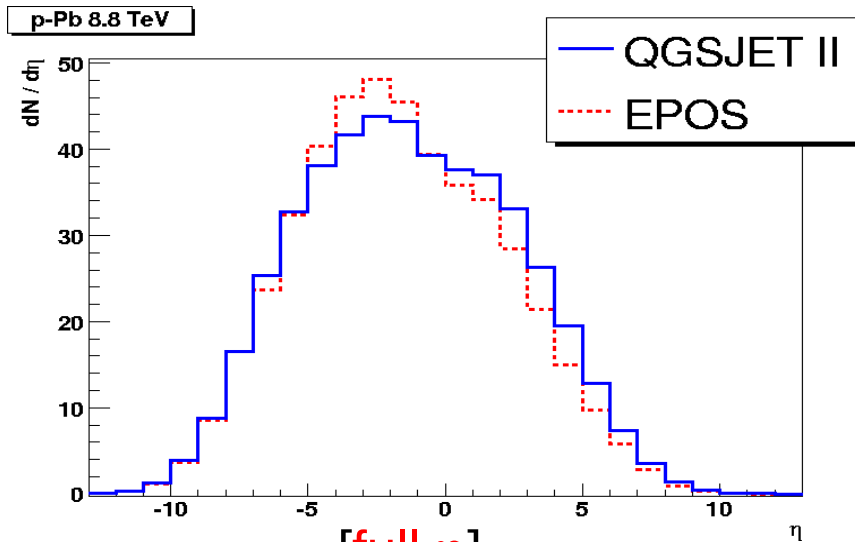
[CASTOR calorimeter region]



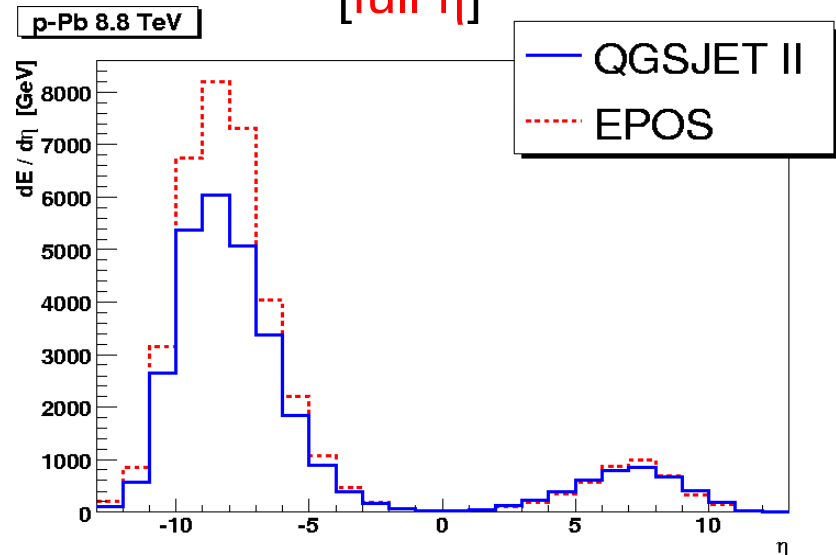
DdE, R.Engel, T.McCauley, T.Pierog: arXiv:0806.0944 [astro-ph]

# proton-Pb @ $\sqrt{s} = 8.8$ TeV

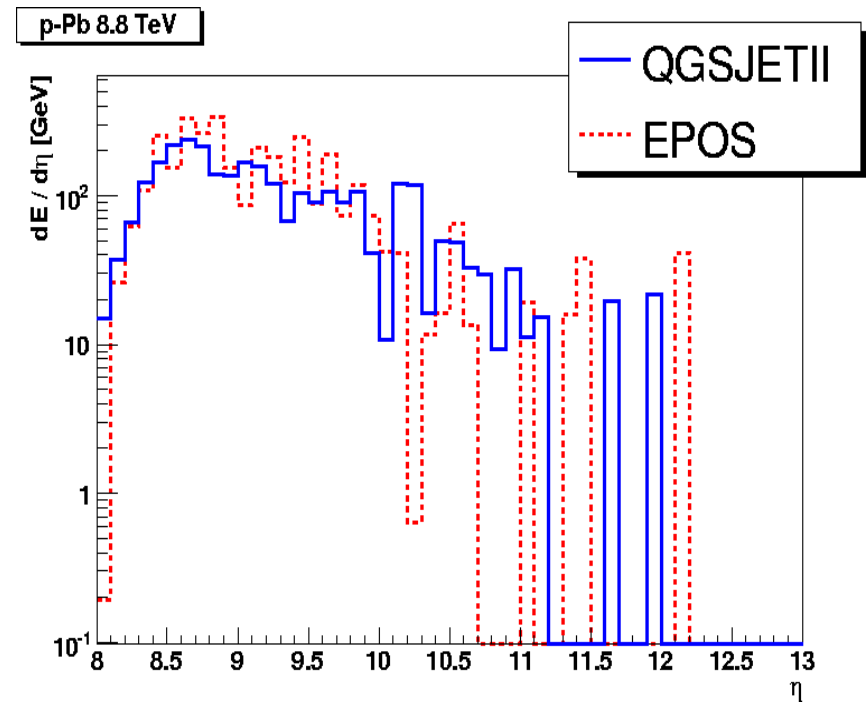
- Particle ( $dN/d\eta$ ) & energy ( $dE/d\eta$ ) rapidity densities:



[full  $\eta$ ]



[ZDCs/LHCf calorimeter region]



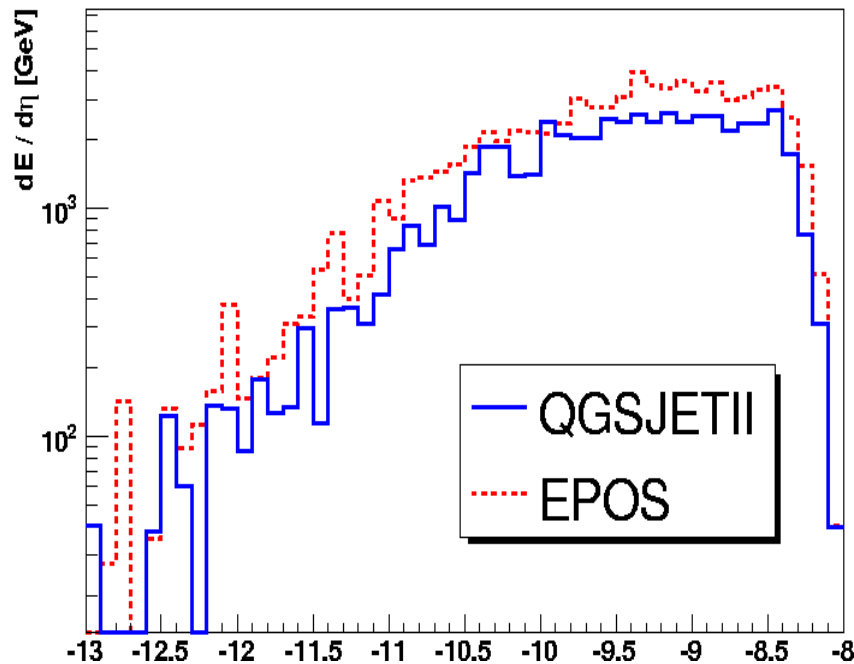
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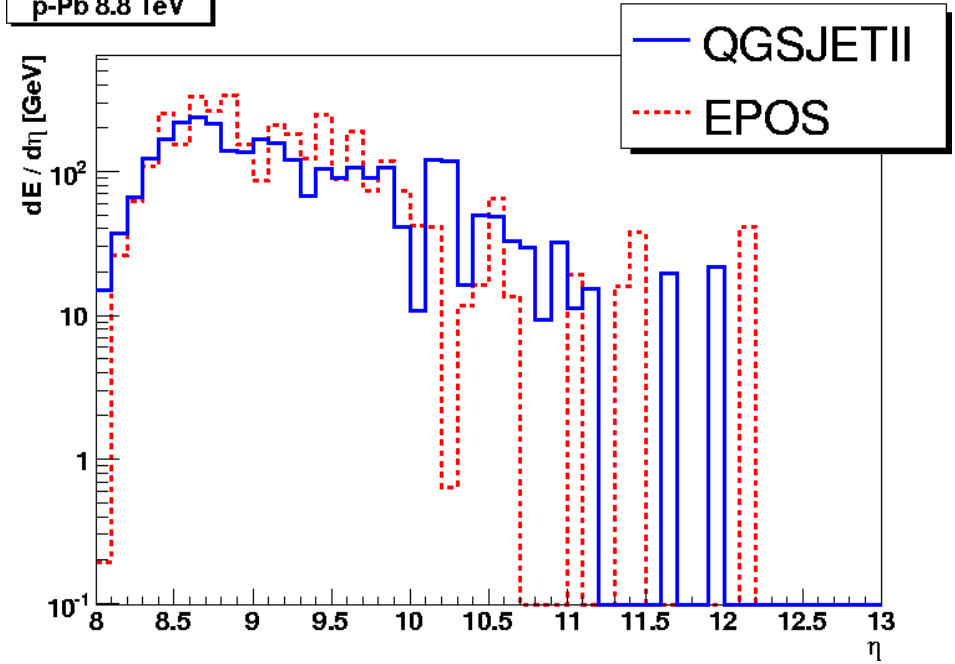
# proton-Pb @ $\sqrt{s} = 8.8$ TeV

- Particle ( $dN/d\eta$ ) & energy ( $dE/d\eta$ ) at forward rapidity :

p-Pb 8.8 TeV



p-Pb 8.8 TeV

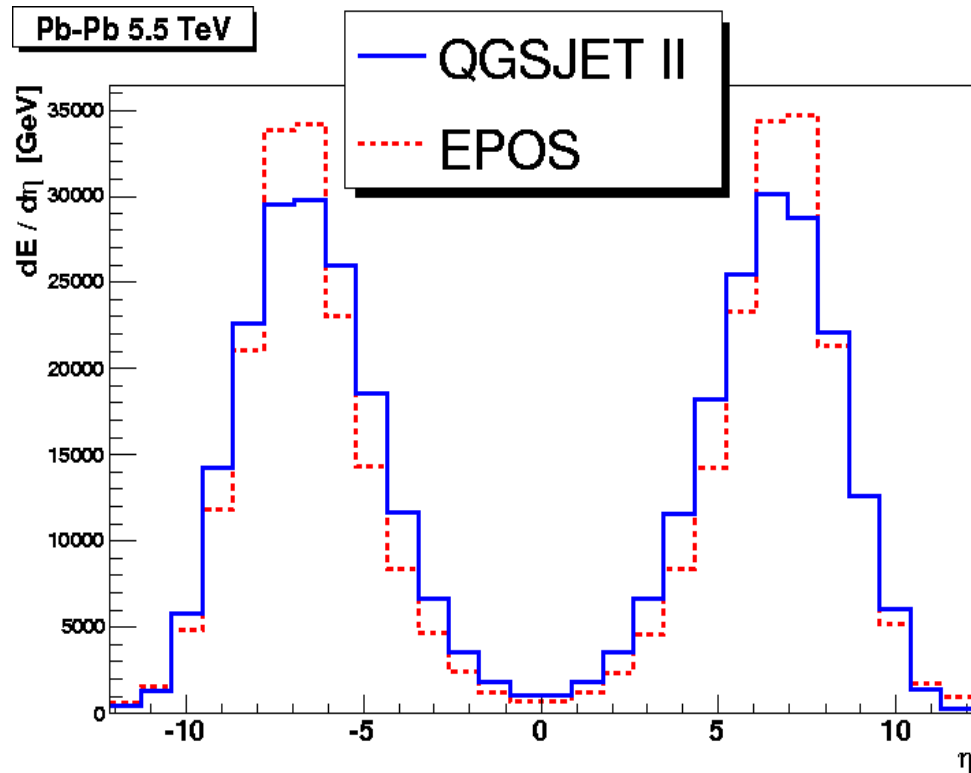
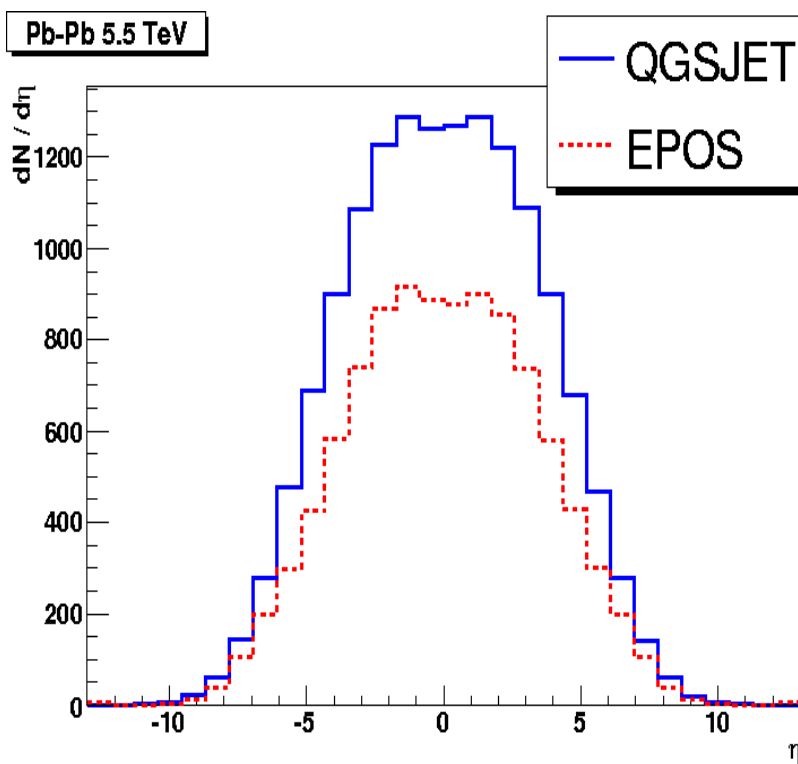


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# Pb-Pb @ $\sqrt{s} = 5.5$ TeV

- Particle ( $dN/d\eta$ ) & energy ( $dE/d\eta$ ) rapidity densities:

[full  $\eta$ ]

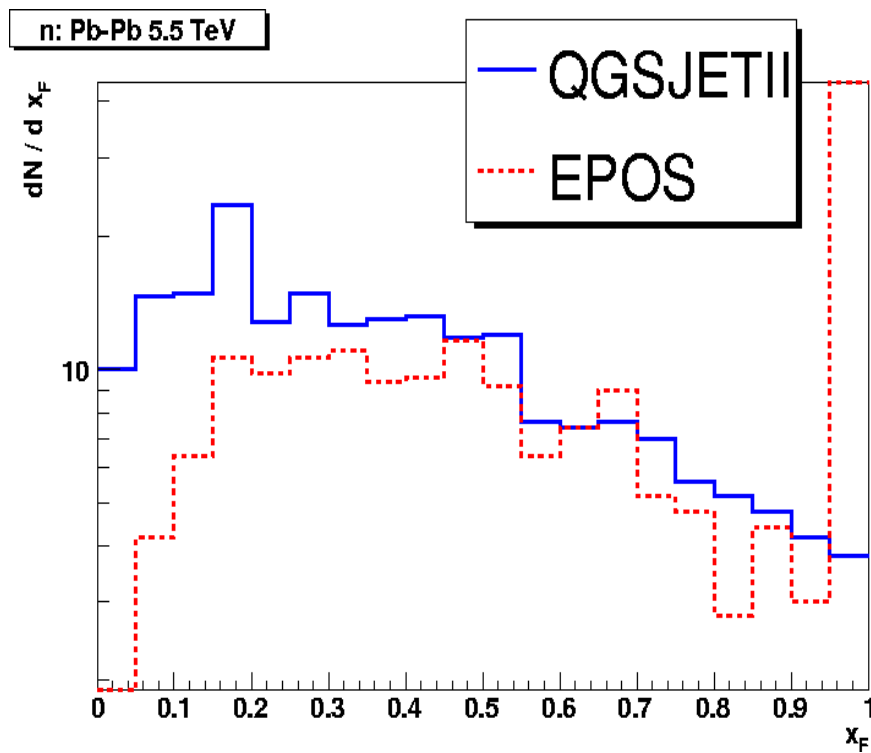


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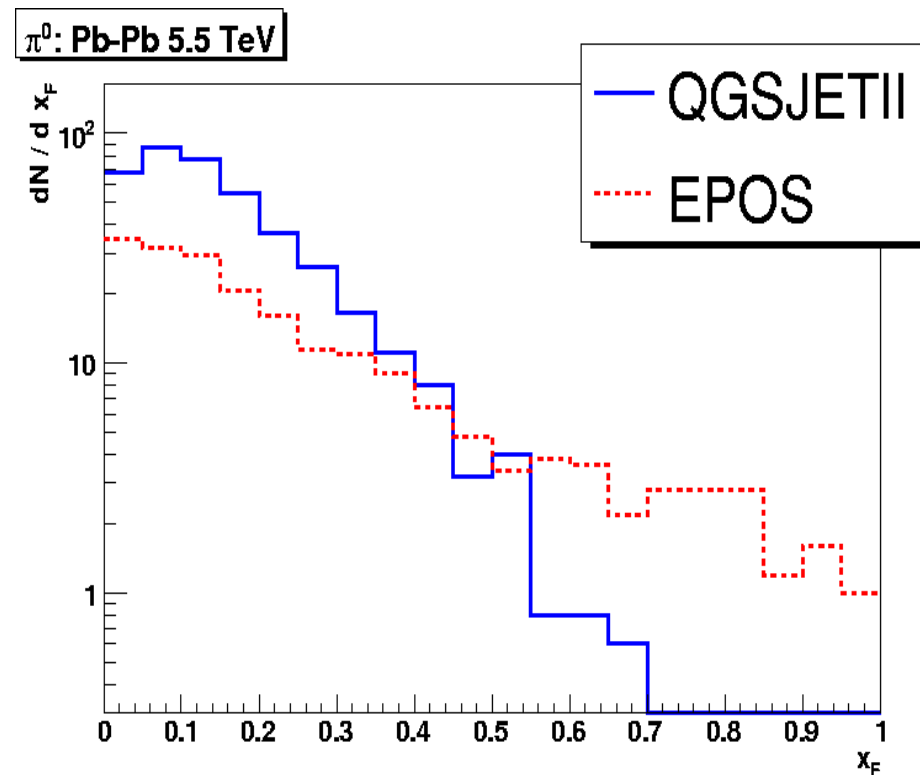
# Pb-Pb @ $\sqrt{s} = 5.5$ TeV

- Leading particle ( $dN/dxF$ ) in ZDCs/LHCf calorimeter region:

(neutrons)



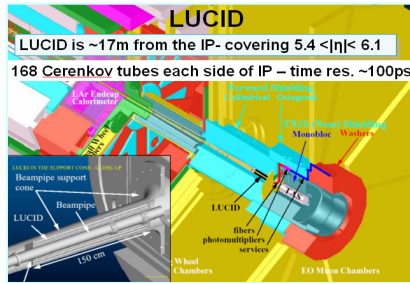
(neutral pions:  $\gamma\gamma$ )



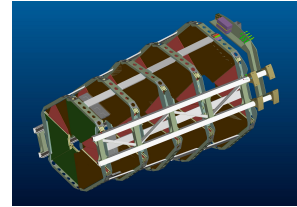
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# Forward instrumentation @ LHC

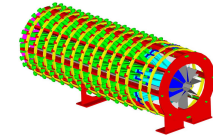
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**TOTEM T1**



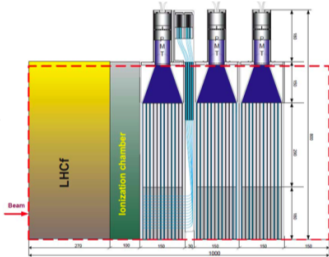
**CMS CASTOR**



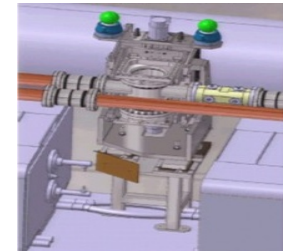
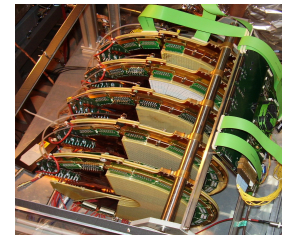
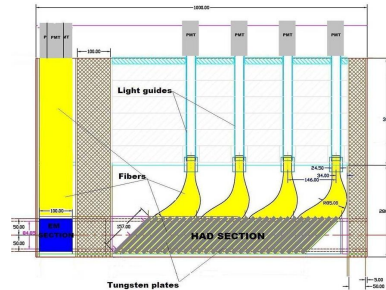
**TOTEM T2**

**ATLAS ALFA**

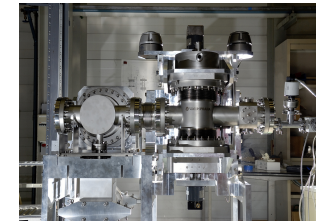
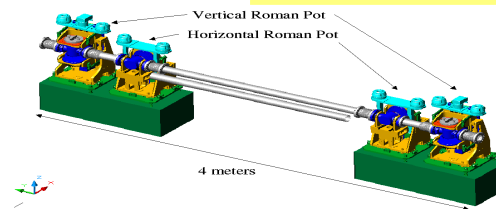
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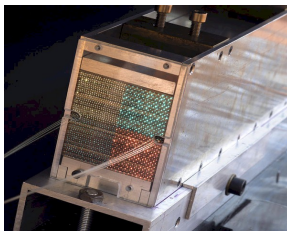
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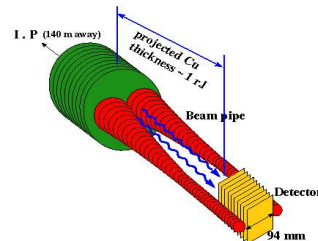
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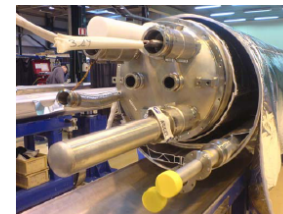
**ALICE ZDCs**



**LHCf**

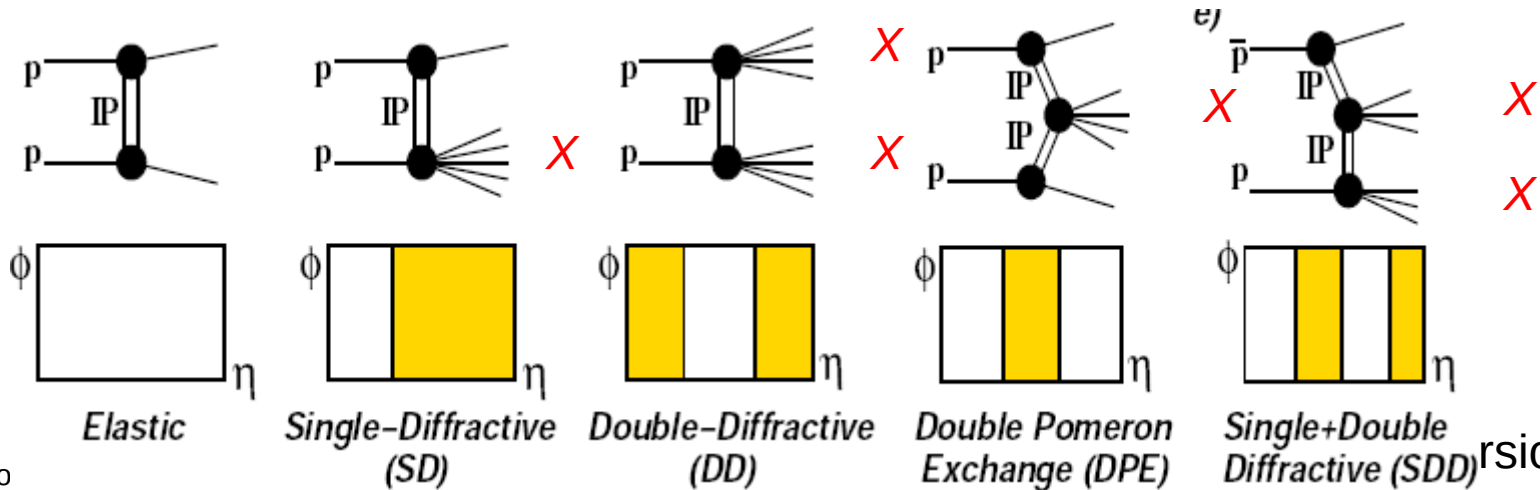


**FP420**



# Pomeron-induced processes

- Diffract./Elastic scatt. ( $\sim 40\%$   $p$ - $p$   $\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ ):  $p$  intact (Roman Pots), rapidity gap(s). Colourless exchange with vacuum quantum-numbers:



- $\sigma_{\text{to}}$  (cross section relation)
- **Soft** diffraction ( $X = \text{anything}$ ): Dominated by soft QCD  $\rightarrow$  SD, DPE vs.  $s$ ,  $t$ ,  $M_x$  provide valuable info of **non-perturb. QCD**. Contributions to **pile-up**  $p$ - $p$  events.
- **Hard** diffraction ( $X = \text{jets, W's, Z's ...}$ ): Calculable (in principle) in pQCD  $\rightarrow$  Info on proton structure (**dPDFs, GPDs**), multi-parton interactions, **discovery** physics (DPE Higgs, beyond SM)