

Tecniche di rivelazione di raggi cosmici e *extended air showers*

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- Region 1: 10^9 eV - 10^{12} eV
 - Direct detection
- Region 2: 10^{12} eV - 10^{17} eV
 - Direct detection
 - EAS
 - Charged particles
 - Cherenkov
 - Fluorescence
- Region 3: 10^{17} eV - 10^{21} eV
 - Giant array - Hybrid techniques
- Examples used in the talk: INFN approved experiments

What are the CR?

Electromagnetic radiation:

Radio
IR
Visible
UV
X
 γ

Astronomy
Astrophysics

Charged particles:

Subjects of this talk

p
e⁻
e⁺
 \bar{p}
Nuclei
Antinuclei?
???

CR

Neutral particles:

ν
???

Primary cosmic rays

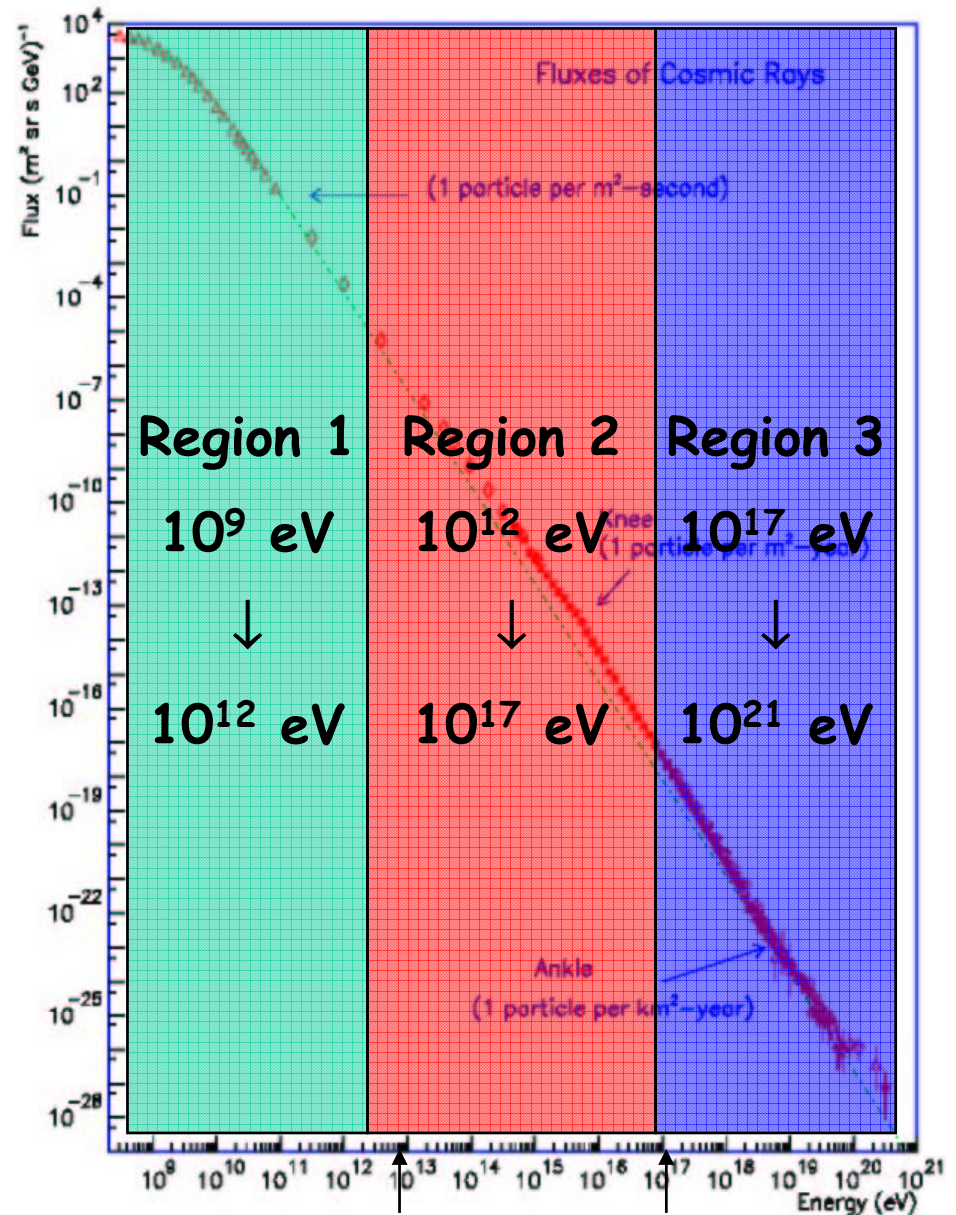
$$\Phi \propto E^{-2.7}$$

Deviations from this power law

- knee ($4 \cdot 10^{15}$ eV)
- ankle ($5 \cdot 10^{18}$ eV)

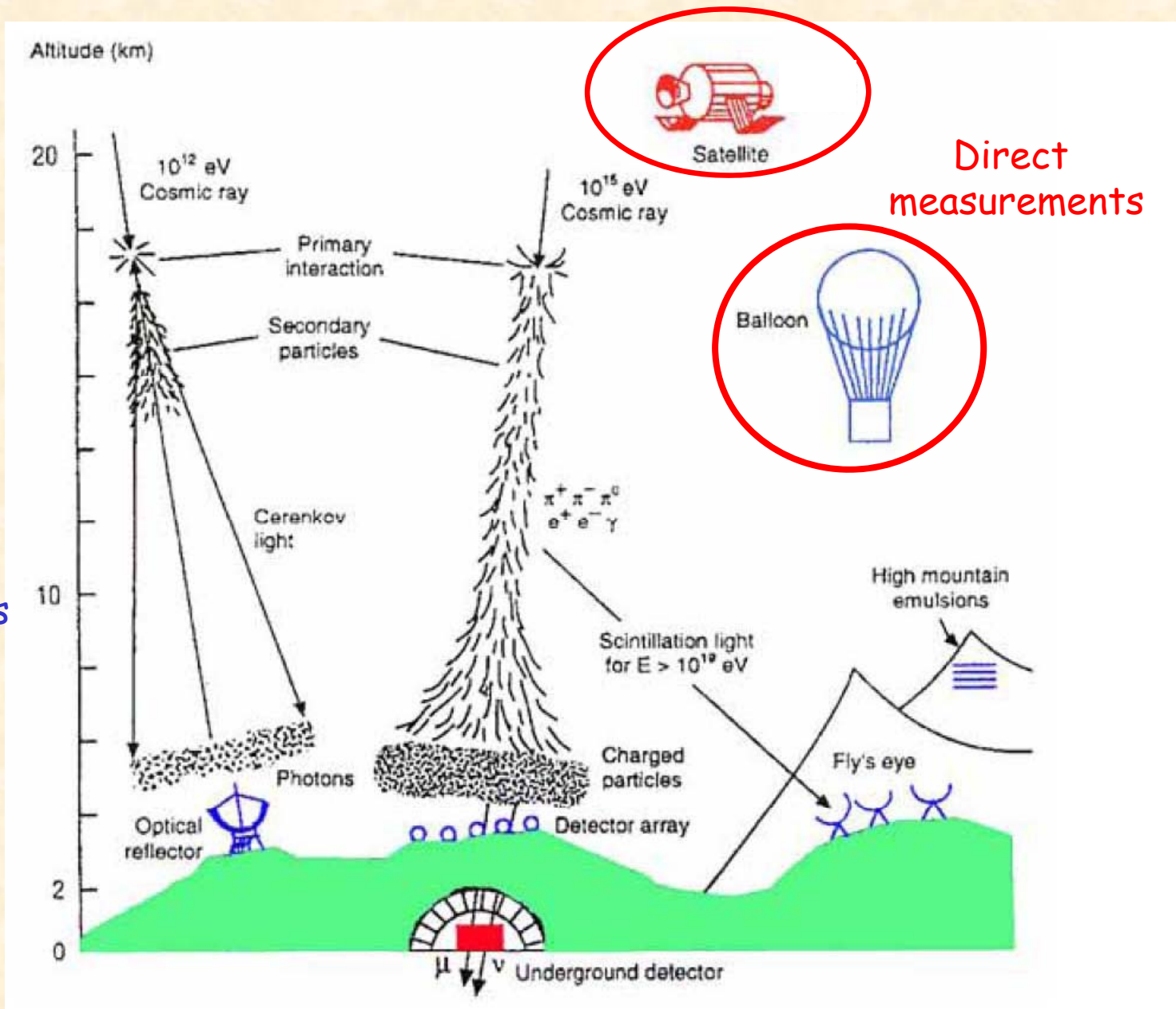
Very different techniques are necessary to cover these huge differences of:

- Fluxes
- Energies



LHC Beam Energy LHC CM Energy

Indirect measurements



Direct measurements

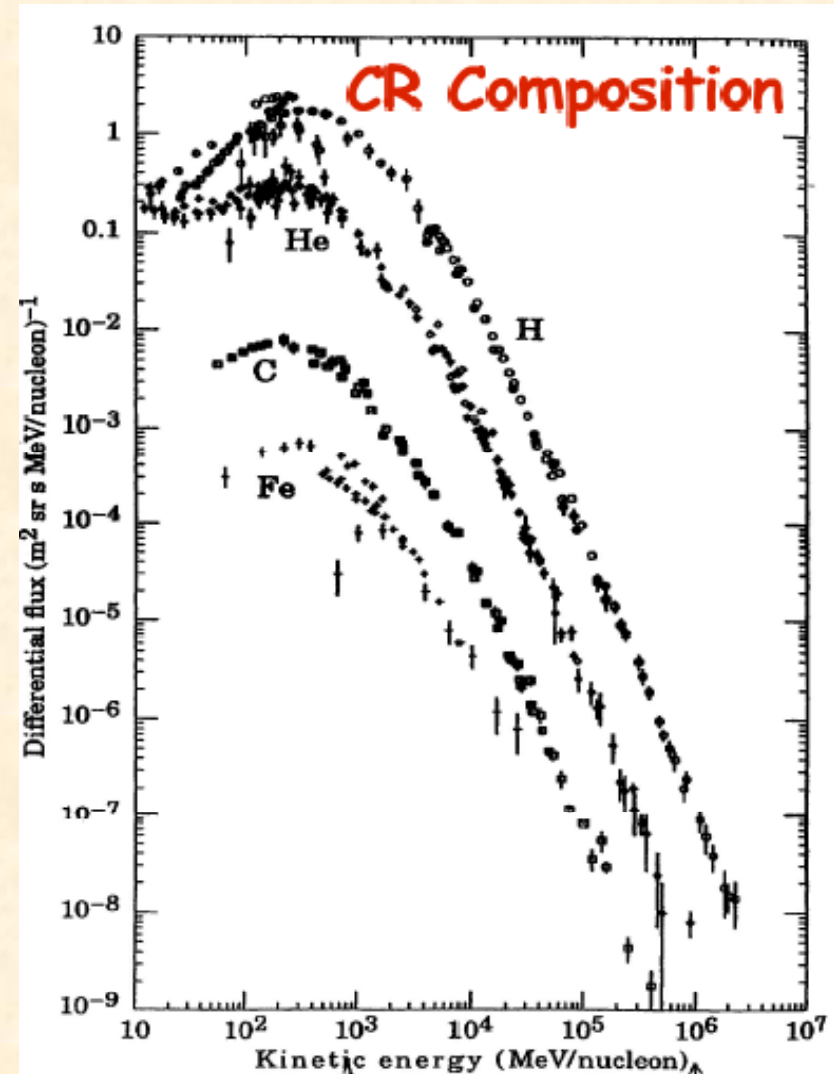
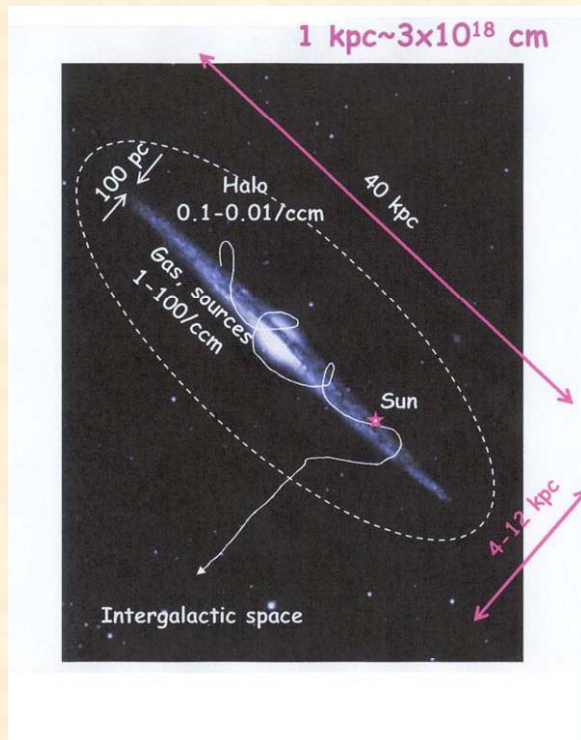
The INFN approved experiments that will be used as 'examples' for this talk:

- WIZARD/Pamela
 - AMS2
- } Region 1
- CREAM
 - ARGO-YBJ
- } Region 2
- AUGER
- } Region 3

Only some selected topics for each experiment will be shown for time limitation!
I apologize for this.....

Region 1: 10^9 eV - 10^{12} eV

- Best known region
- Direct measurements are possible
- Effect of solar modulation up to 1 GeV
- All elements are present (up to U)
- Absolute flux important for ν physics



Experimental techniques

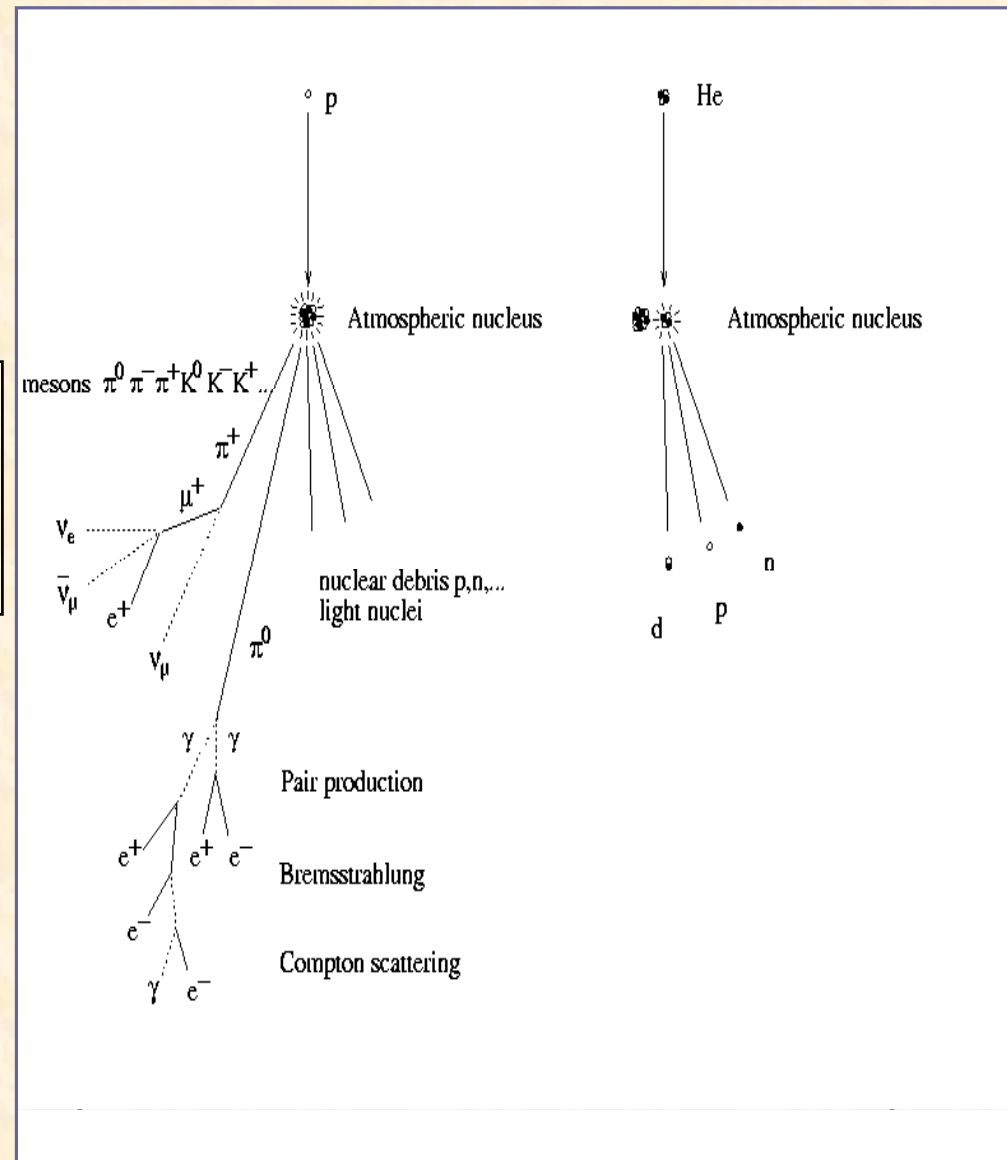
1. ~~Experiments on earth~~
2. Experiments on balloon
3. Experiments on satellite

Measurements to be done

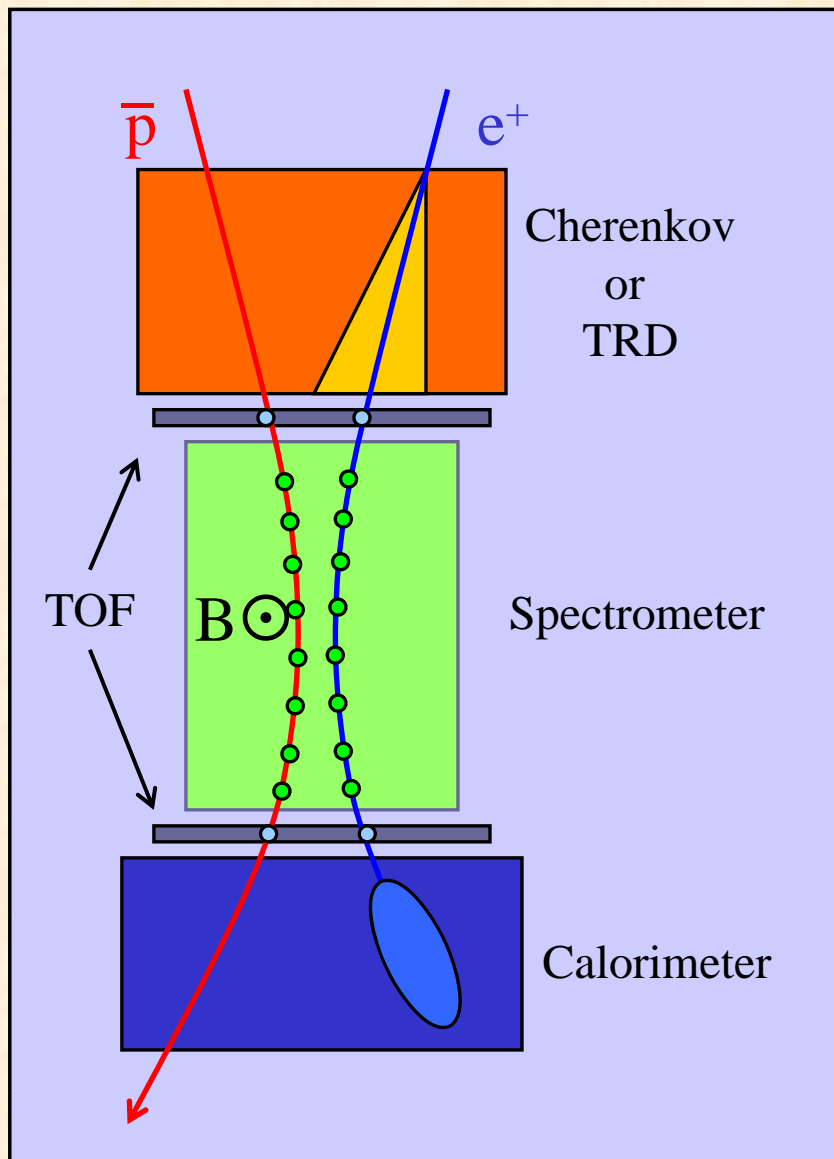
1. Momentum
2. Z
3. Identification (e^- /anti-p, e^+ /p ...)
4. Isotopical identification

Complex techniques are necessary (strong link with accelerator based experiments!):

1. Many subdetectors
2. Magnetic spectrometers
3. Calorimeters
4. TRD
5. Cherenkov
6. TOF
7. Trigger
8. Veto
9. ...



'Ideal' experiment



- 1) Measurement of energy/momentum
- 2) Identification of type of particle

- **Magnetic spectrometer**

- Sign of the charge (e^+/e^- , antip/p)
- Magnetic rigidity $R=p/Ze$

- **Particle identification**

- **TOF (β)**

- Charge (dE/dx)
- Identification (β vs R)
- Albedo rejection

- **Cherenkov or TRD**

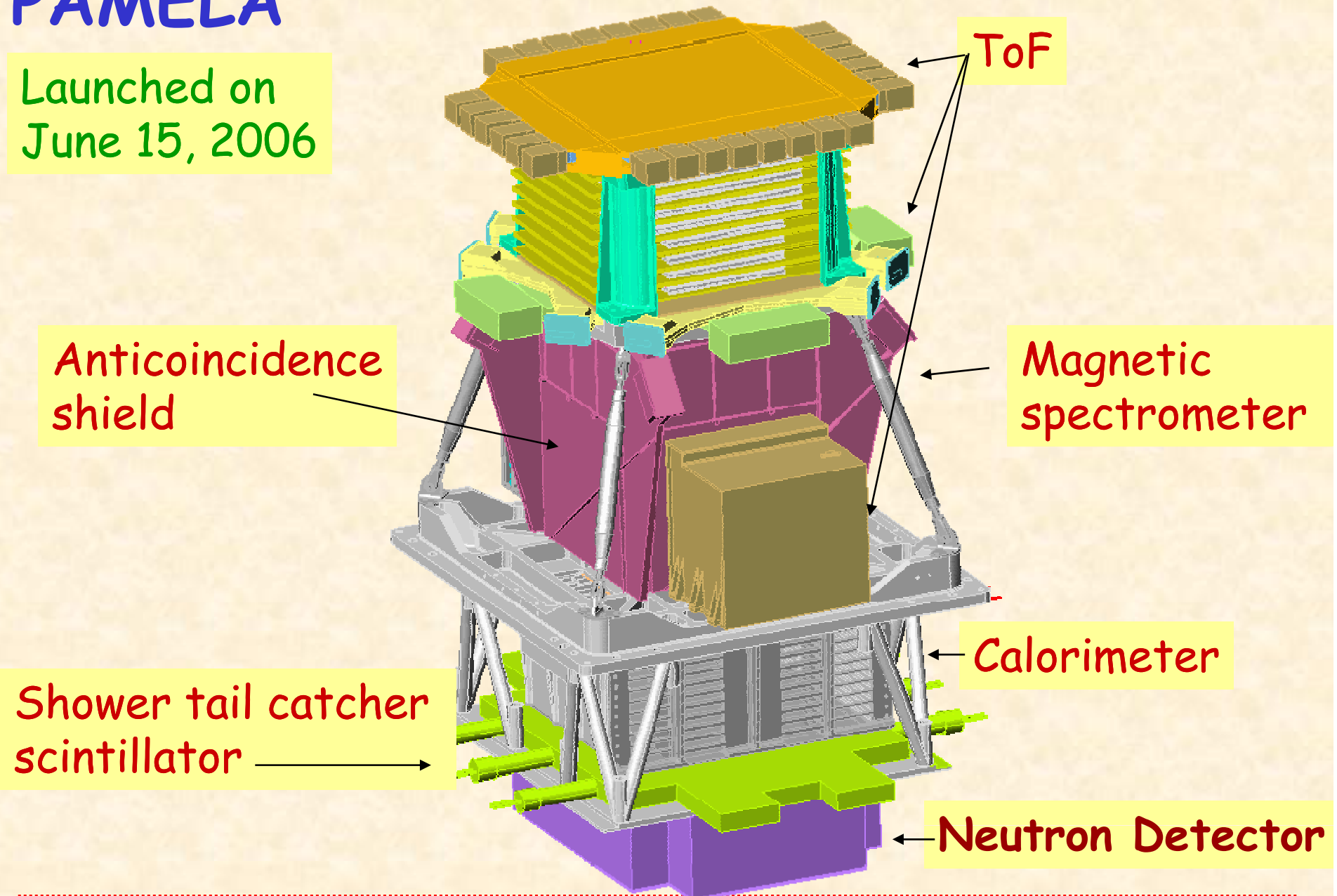
- Identification (β vs R)

- **E.m. calorimeter**

- Identification (topology of the interaction)

PAMELA

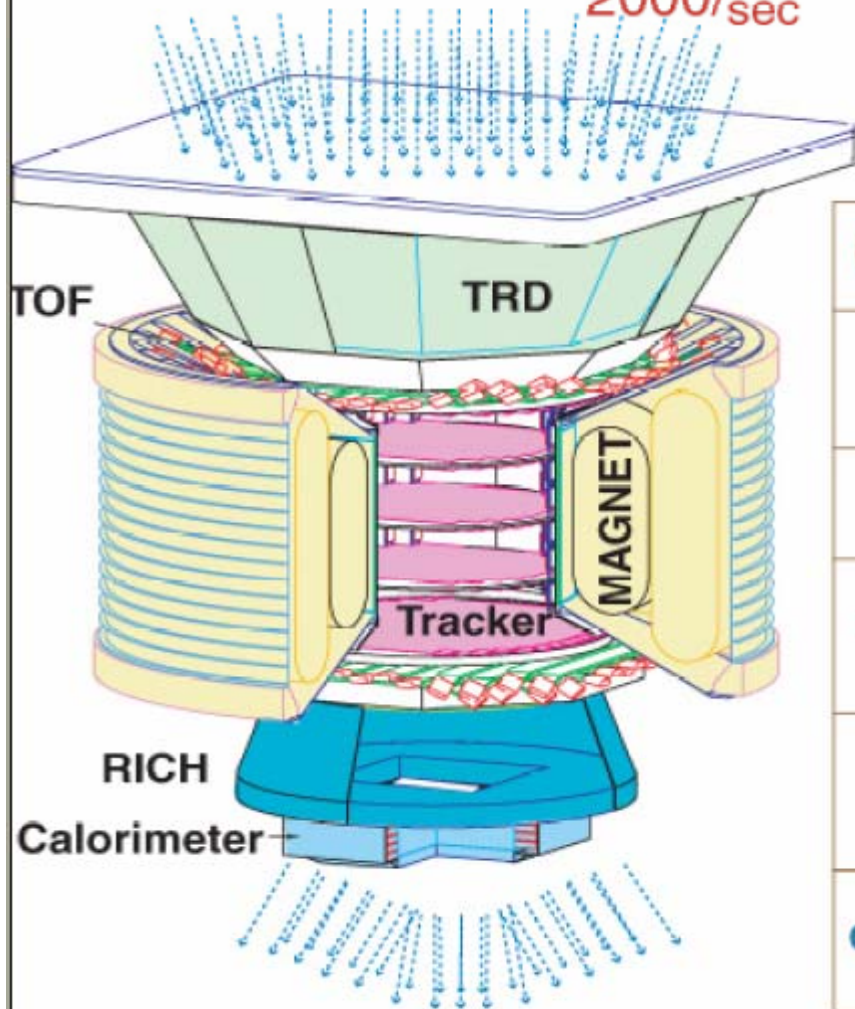
Launched on
June 15, 2006



AMS: A TeV Magnetic Spectrometer in Space

2000/sec

**G.F. 5000 cm² sr
Exposure > 3 yrs**



0.3 TeV	e ⁻	e ⁺	P	He	γ
TRD					
TOF					
Tracker					
RICH					
Calorimeter					

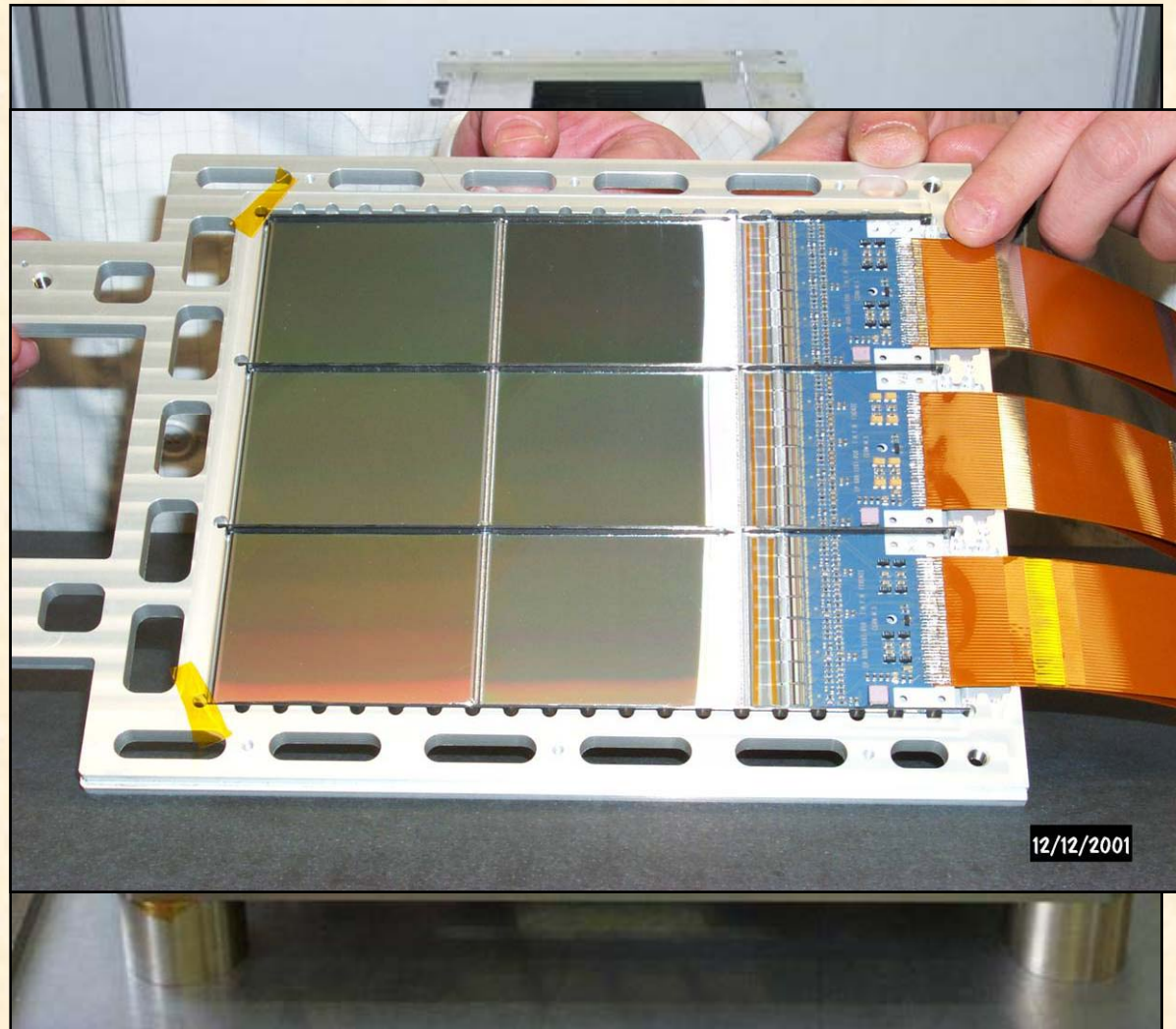
$dP/P^2 \sim 0.004 \rightarrow \text{MDR} = 2.5 \text{ TV}, h/e = 10^{-6} (\text{ECAL} + \text{TRD})$

Pamela Magnetic spectrometer

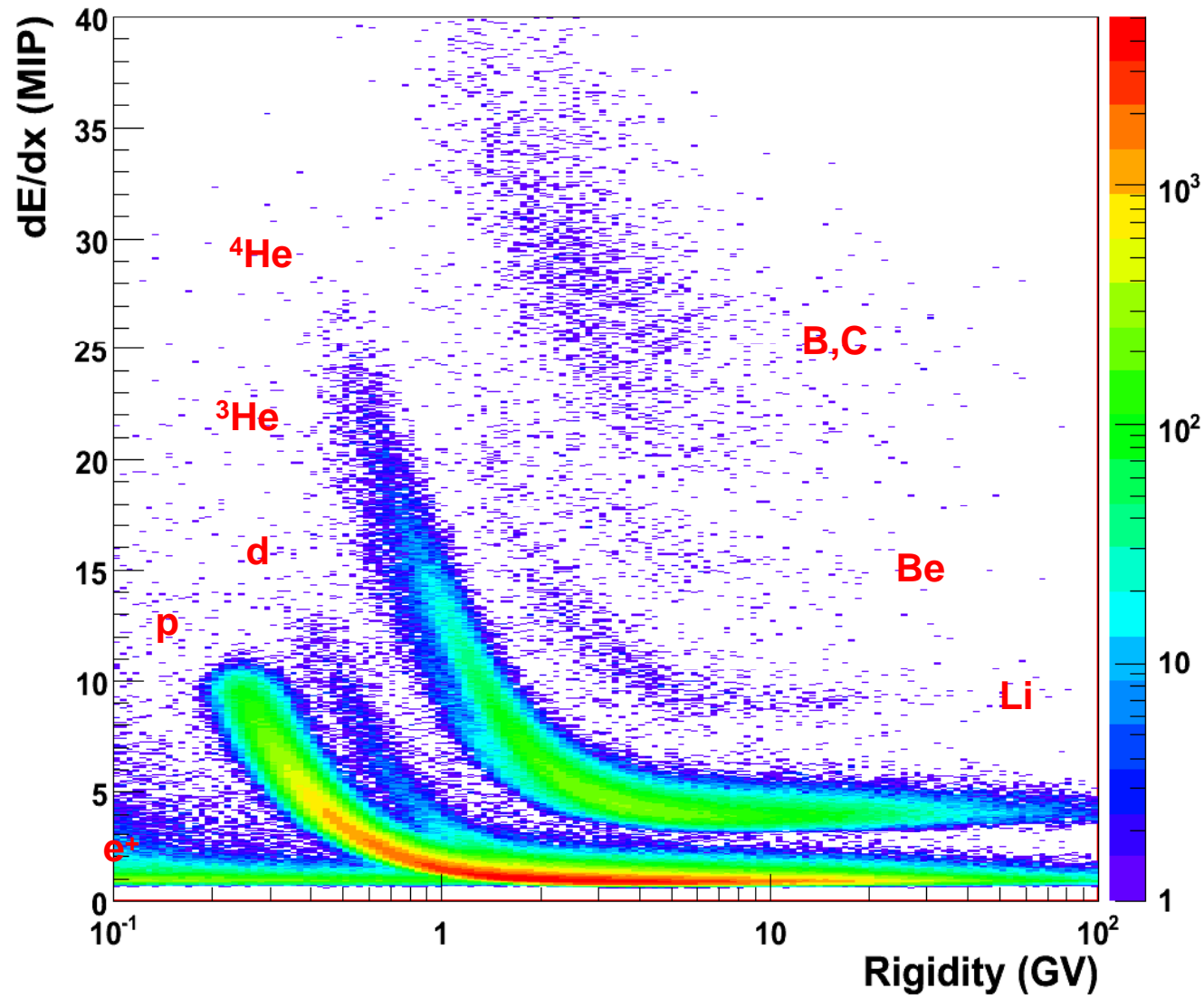
Si Tracker + magnet

- Rigidity measurement
- 5 Nd-B-Fe magnet segments
- 0.48T at the centre
- $(13.2 \times 16.2 \text{ cm}^2) \times 44.5 \text{ cm}$ high
- 6 planes of 300 μm thick double sided Si detectors
- $< 3\mu\text{m}$ resolution in bending view
- ± 10 MIP dynamic range (VA1 chips)

MDR $\sim 1 \text{ TV}/c$



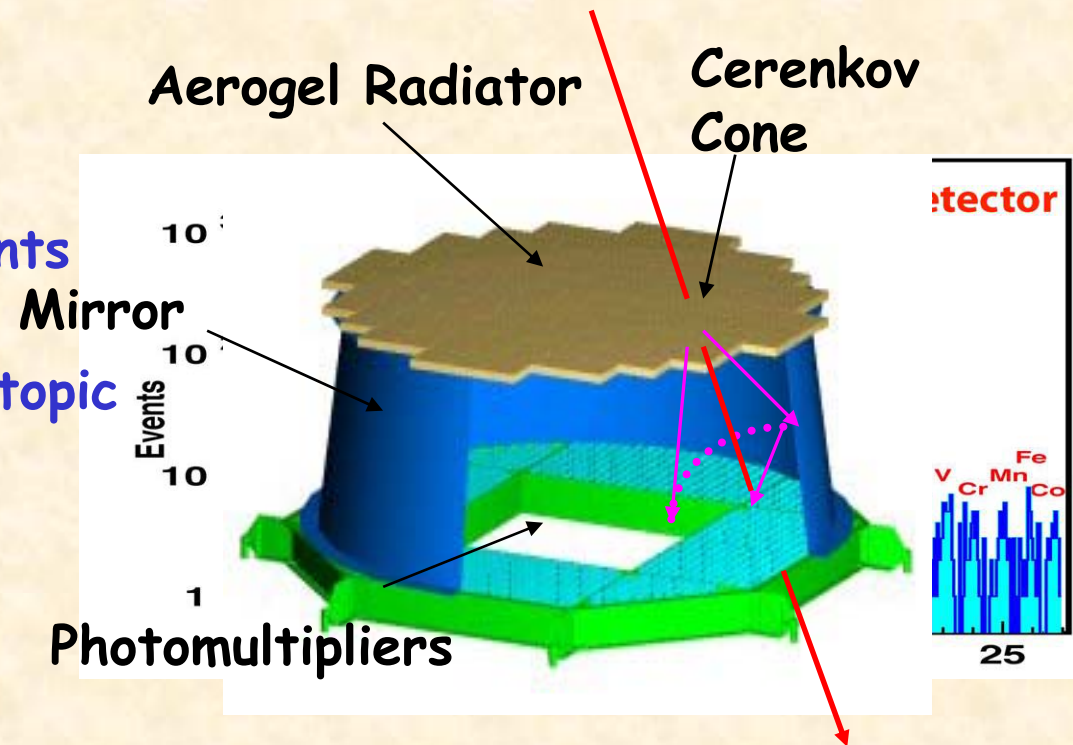
Pamela Tracker dE/dx



Preliminary !!!

AMS02 RICH

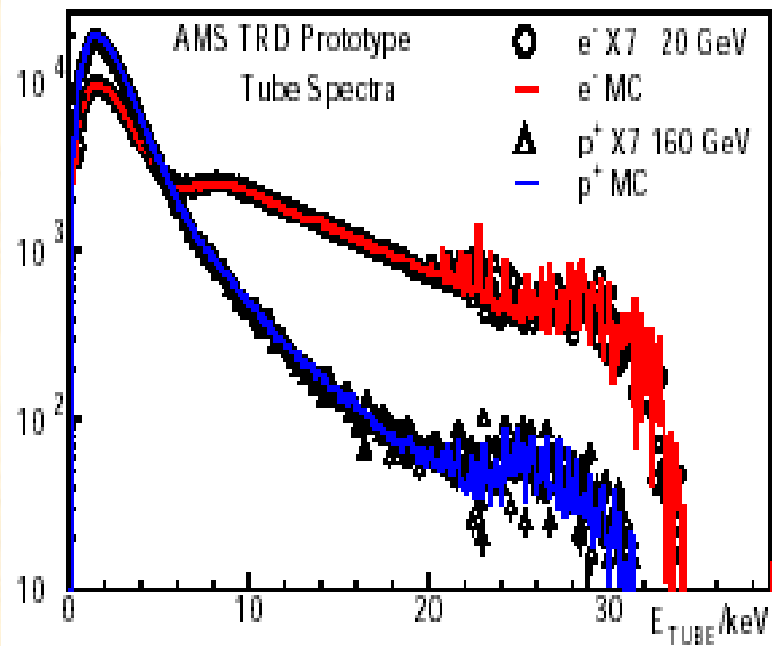
- Proximity focus RICH
- 2 different radiators:
 - 2.7 cm Aerogel, $n=1.05$
 - 0.5 cm NaF, $n=1.336$
- Accurate Velocity Measurements via Opening
- Angle of Cerenkov Cone \rightarrow Isotopic Separation.
- $|Q|$ measurements up to $Z \sim 30$
- $\Delta\beta/\beta = (0.67 \pm 0.01) \cdot 10^{-3}$ (test beam)
- Additional Particle Identification capability



AMS02 TRD

- 20 layers, 328 chambers, 5248 tubes
- Mechanical Accuracy $< 100\mu\text{m}$

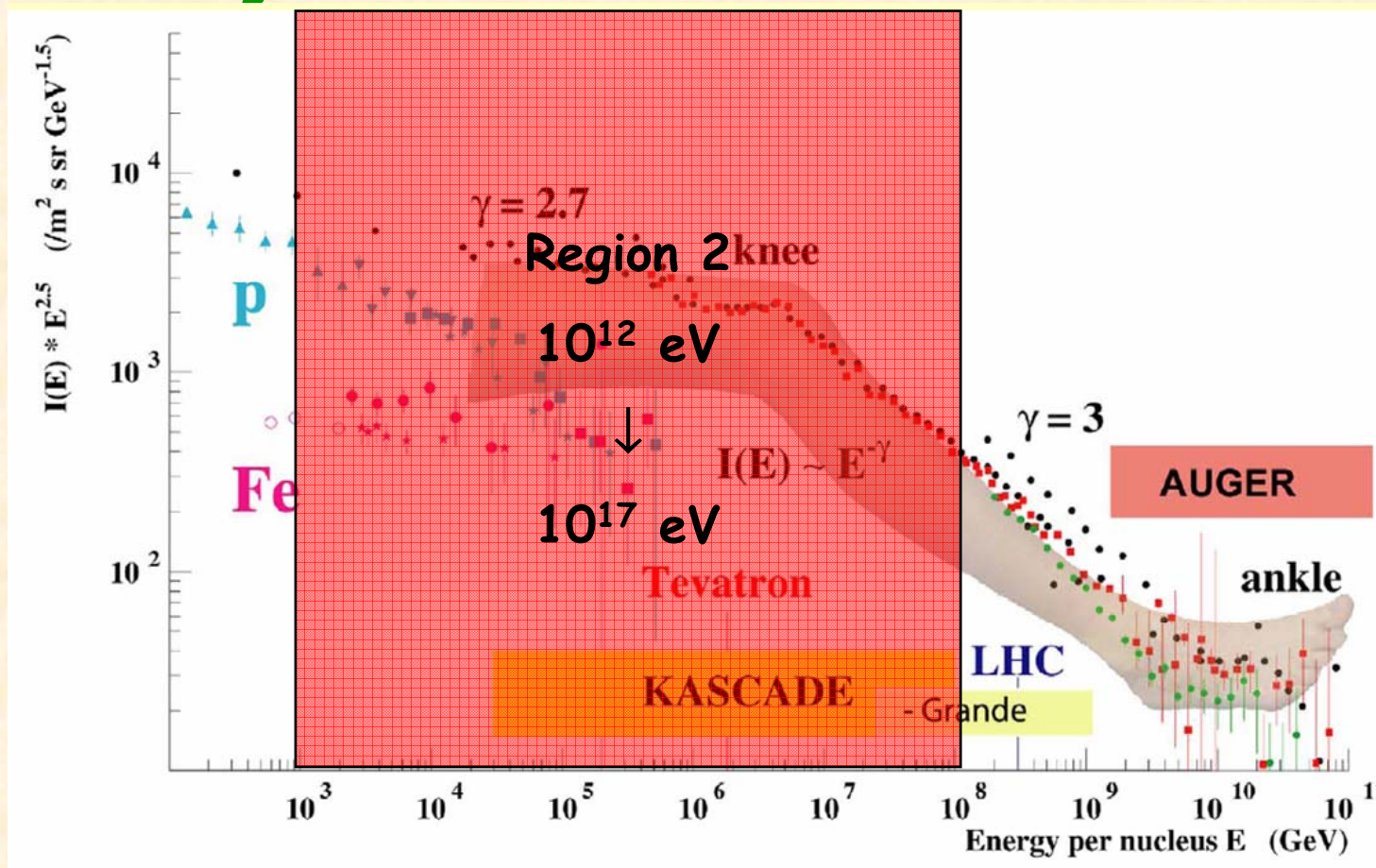
CERN beamtest with TRD
prototype: proton rejection > 100
up to 250 GeV at electron
efficiency 90% reached



Gas system in space!!

Region 2: 10^{12} eV - 10^{17} eV

- Very interesting region (astrophysics!!!)
- Knee around 10^{15} - 10^{16} eV
- Transition region between direct and indirect measurements



What is the knee?

First change in slope at $4 \cdot 10^{15}$ eV total energy

It should be related to some change in the propagation or acceleration of the CR

- Escape from the galaxy?
- Different cut-off for different elements?
- Rigidity ($\eta = p/Z$) dependent cut off?

Which is the composition of the CR at the knee?

Heavy or Light CR?

Direct measurements (Balloon)

Energy and Z



Direct measurements are possible up to $\cong 10^{15}$ eV

Techniques similar to the 'Region 1'

Bigger acceptance, simpler detectors

groups

observables

energy range

JACEE(1980-1995?)

p, He, ..., Fe;

TeV – PeV/p

RUNJOB(1995-)

p, He, ..., Fe;

TeV – PeV/p

ultra-heavy ($Z \cong 30$);

1-10 GeV/n

ATIC(2001-2002)

p, He, ..., Fe;

10 GeV-100 TeV/p

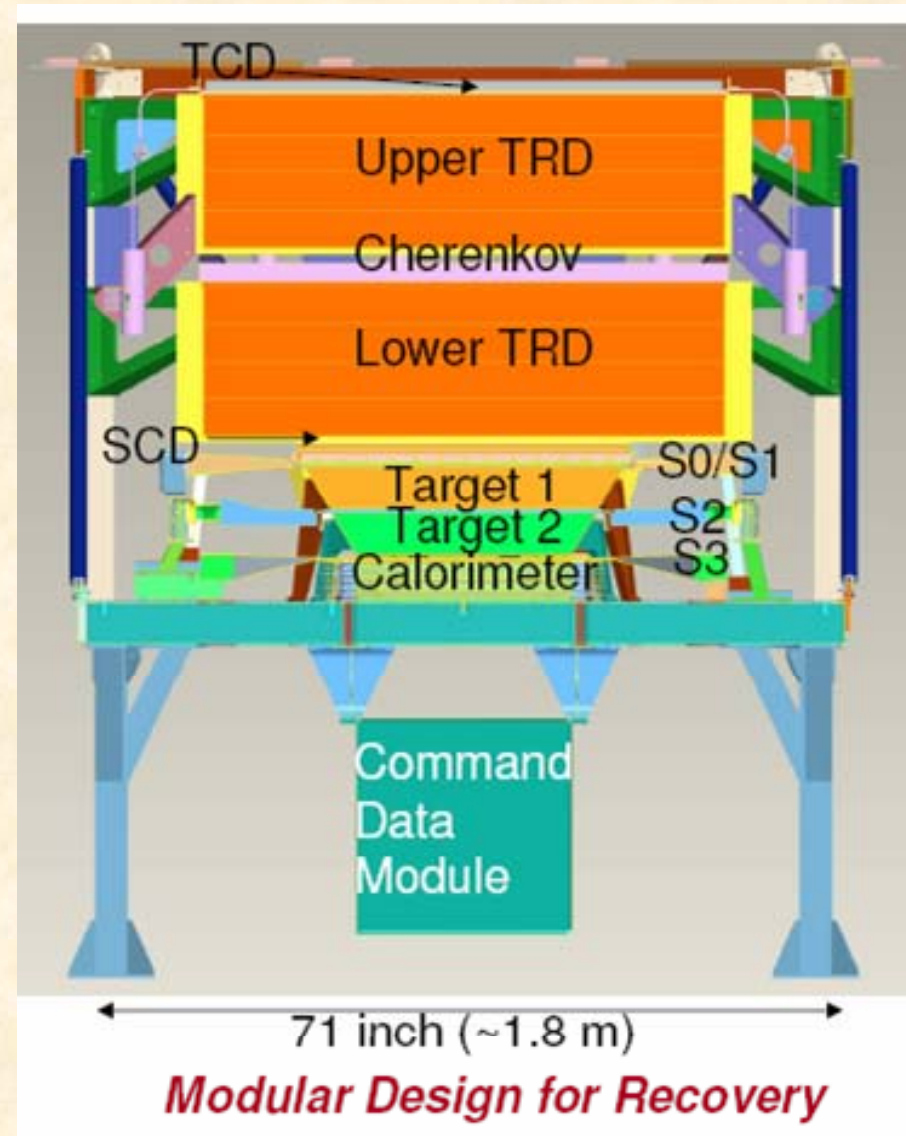
TRACER(2003-2006)

B \rightarrow Fe

1-1000 GeV/n

CREAM

- Complementary charge measurements:
 - Timing based Charge Detector
 - Cherenkov Counter
 - Pixellated Silicon Charge Detector
 - Scintillating Fiber hodoscopes
- Complementary energy measurements:
 - TRD (velocity for $Z > 2$)
 - Si-W Calorimeter (energy for all Z)
- Large acceptance
 - $2.2 \text{ m}^2\text{sr}$

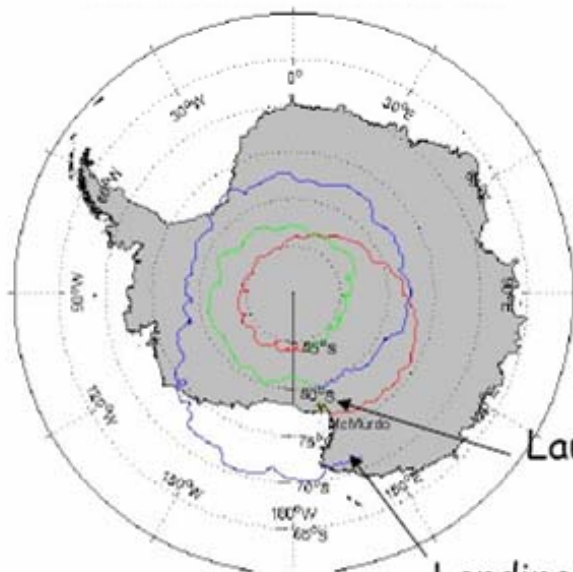


Direct measurement of Energy (1 TeV \rightarrow 1000 TeV)
Measurement of Z (p \rightarrow Fe)

70 days of flight from 2 launches

Seo et al., Proc. 29th ICRC, Pune, 10, 185-198, 2005; Seo et al. COSPAR 2006

CREAM-I
12/16/04 - 1/27/05
Record breaking 42 days

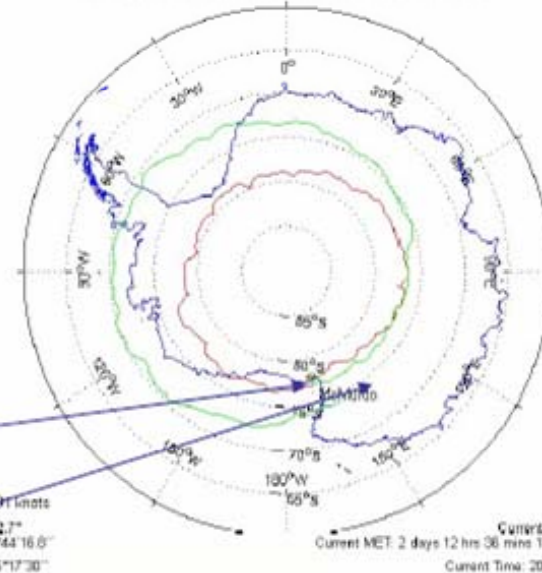


42 M science events
(60 GB data)

CREAM

CREAM-II
12/16/05-1/13/06
28 days

Covering period from 2005-12-16 20:05:13 to 2006-01-13 01:00:00



Current Speed: 32.91 knots
Pitch: 112.7°
Current Lat: -78°44'16.0"
Current Lon: 105°17'30"

Current Altitude: 209 2388 feet
Current MET: 2 days 12 hrs 36 mins 16.016 sec since launch
Current Time: 2006-12-18 04:48:16 UTC

27 M science events
(57 GB data)

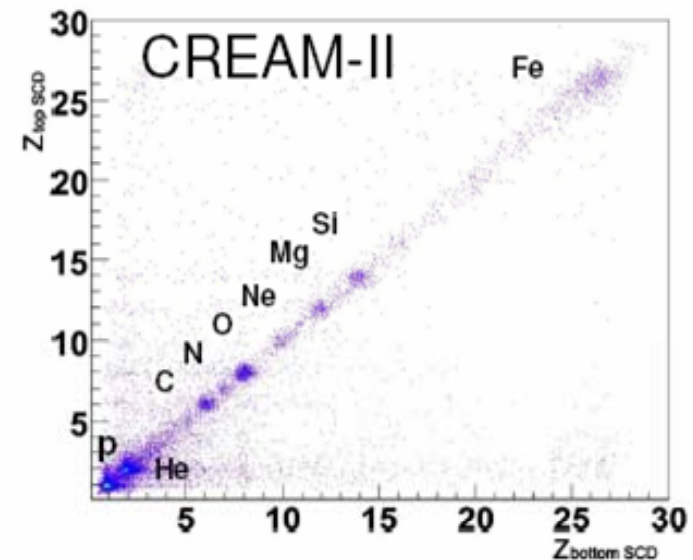
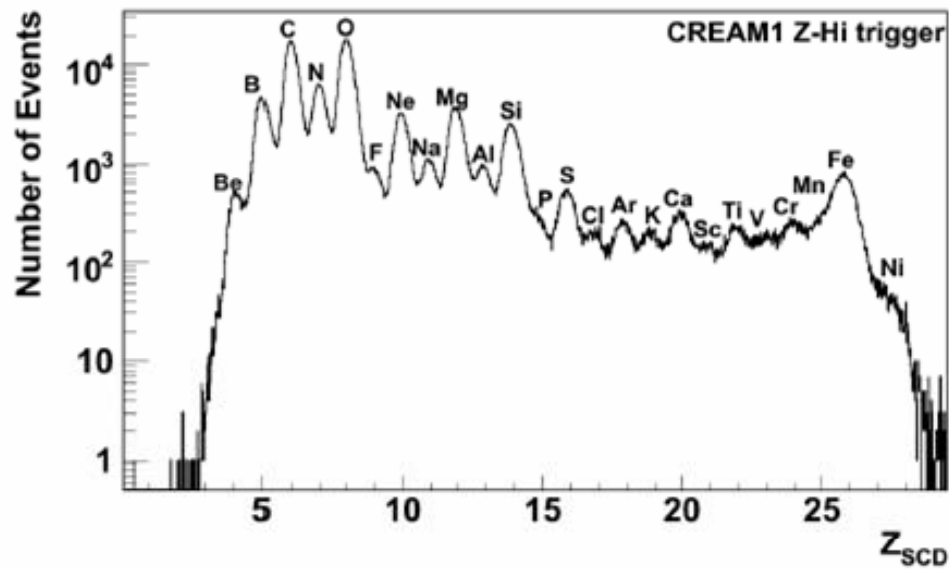
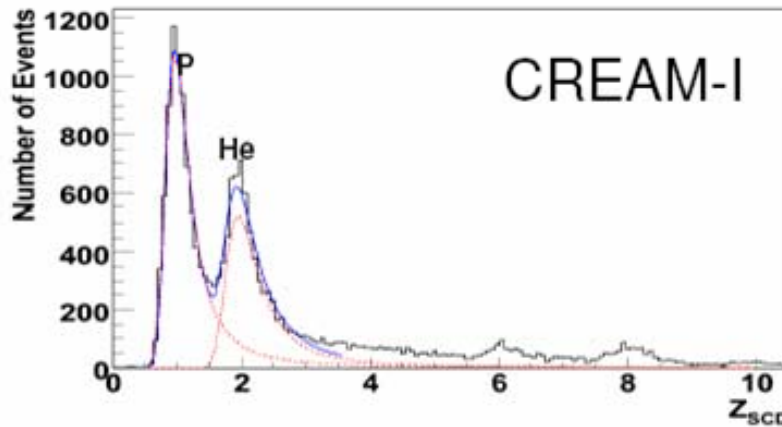
Eun-Suk Seo

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From Eun-Suk Seo, CRHEU07

Charge Measurements: 2 layers of SCD

Park et al, Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A , 570, 286-291, 2007



From Eun-Suk Seo, CRHEU07

Indirect measurements

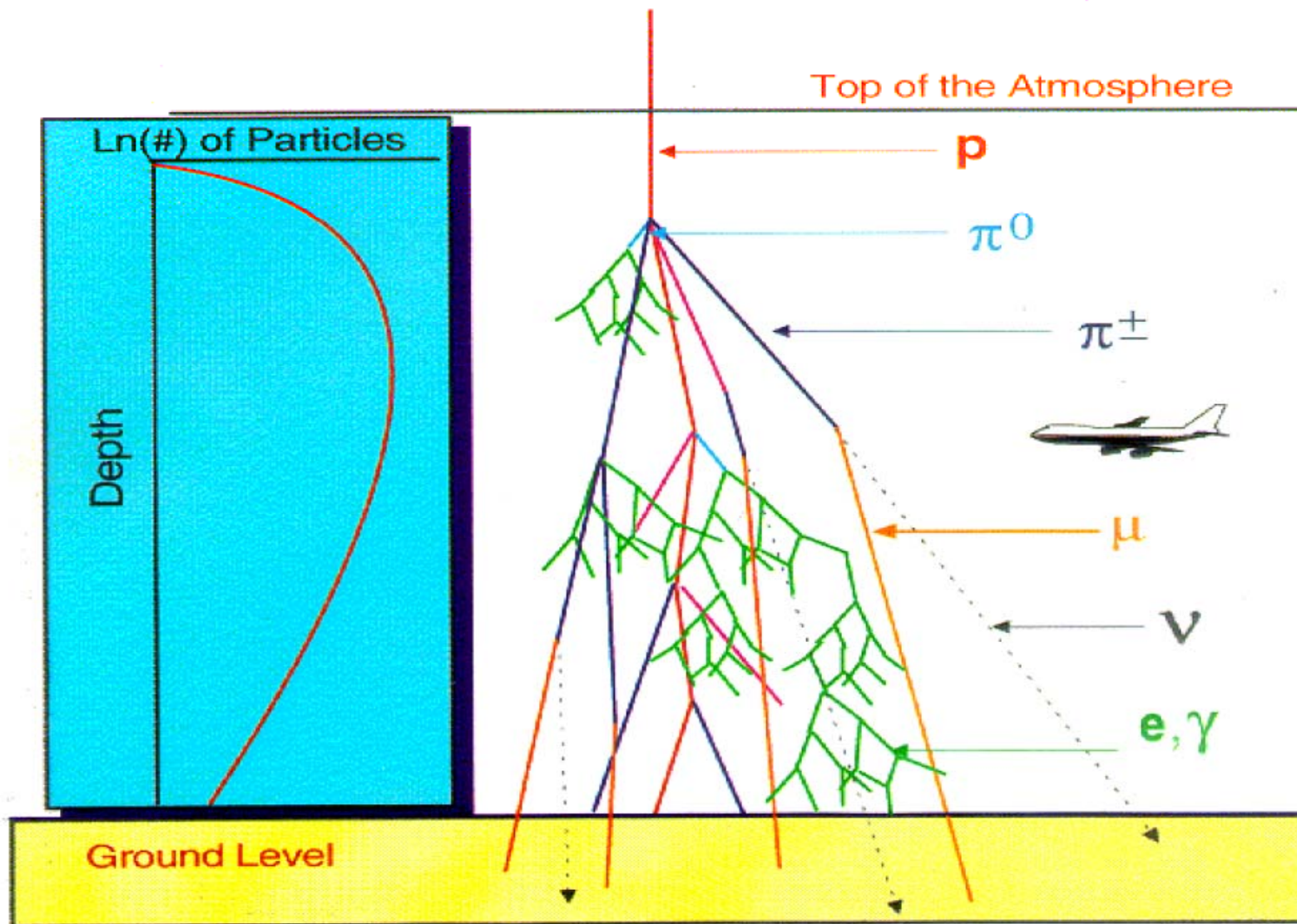
If the energy of the CR is too big to be directly measured, **indirect measurements** are necessary.

The atmosphere is used as 'PASSIVE CALORIMETER'

Object of the measurements:

1. Charged particles: μ^\pm , e^\pm , p (Extended Air Shower detectors, EAS)
2. Cherenkov light
3. Fluorescence light

Charged component: EAS vs Atmospheric Depth



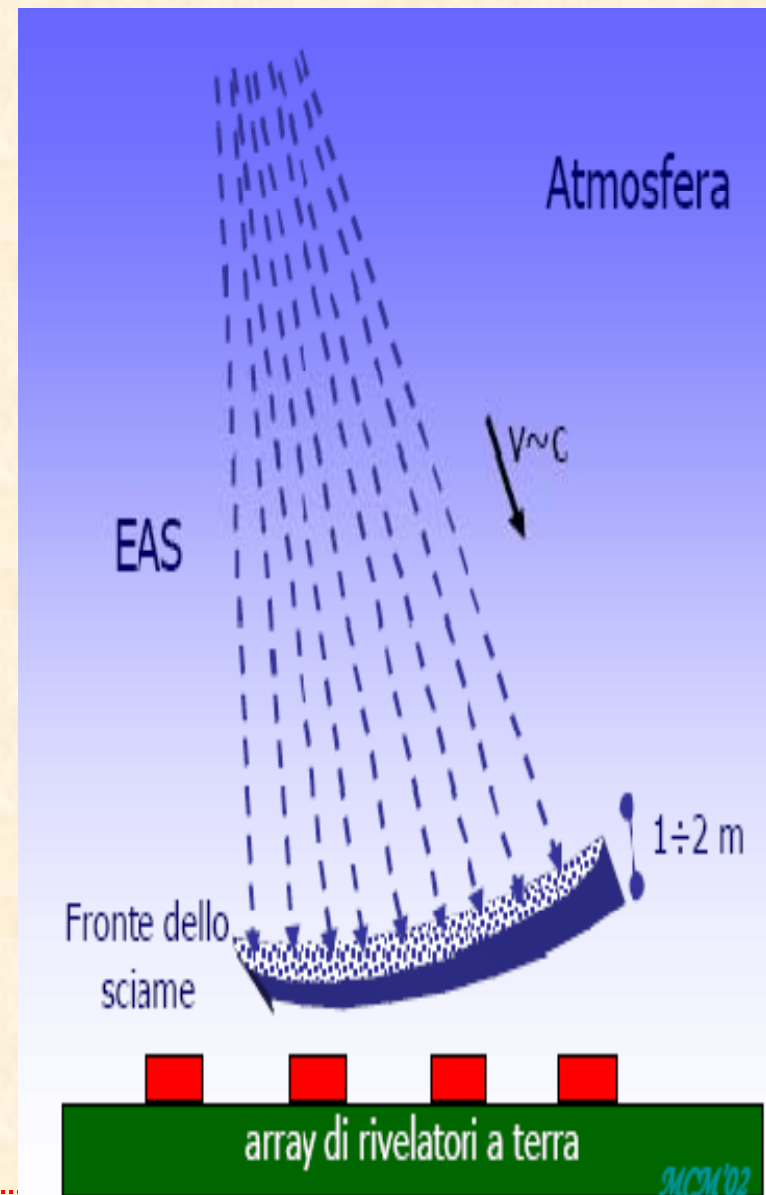
Charged component EAS Detection

Density Sampling

the particle density is observed in an array of detectors (sampling), and it is used to identify the shower core and the total number of particles in the shower → reconstruction of the energy of the primary CR

Fast Timing

the arrival direction of the primary CR (shower's axis) is obtained by measuring the different arrival times of the particles on the different detectors of the array



The ARGO-YBJ experiment

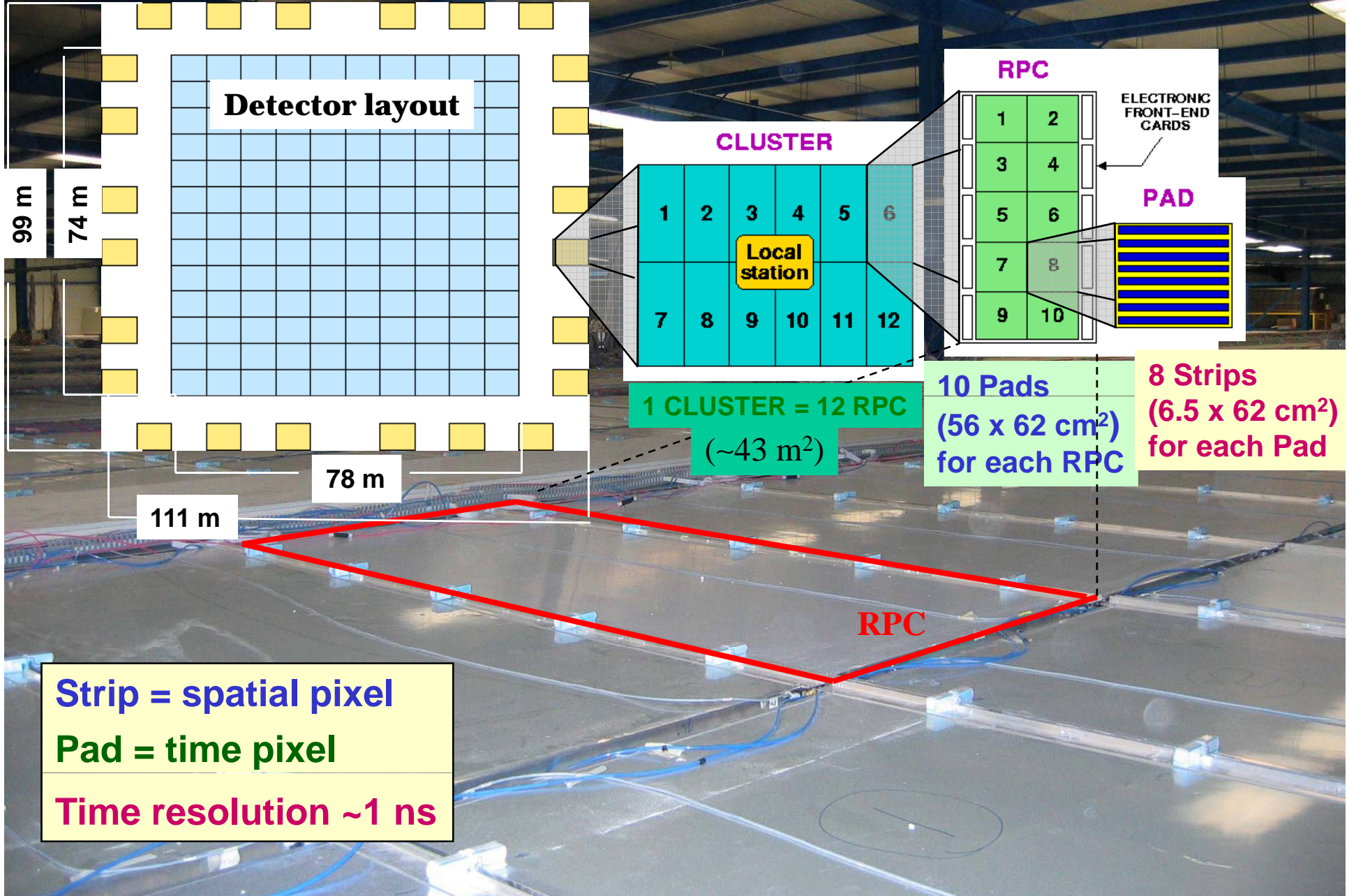


High Altitude Cosmic Ray Laboratory @ YangBaJing

Site Altitude: 4,300 m a.s.l. , $\sim 600 \text{ g/cm}^2$

Site Coordinates: longitude $90^\circ 31' 50'' \text{ E}$, latitude $30^\circ 06' 38'' \text{ N}$

ARGO-YBJ detector Hall



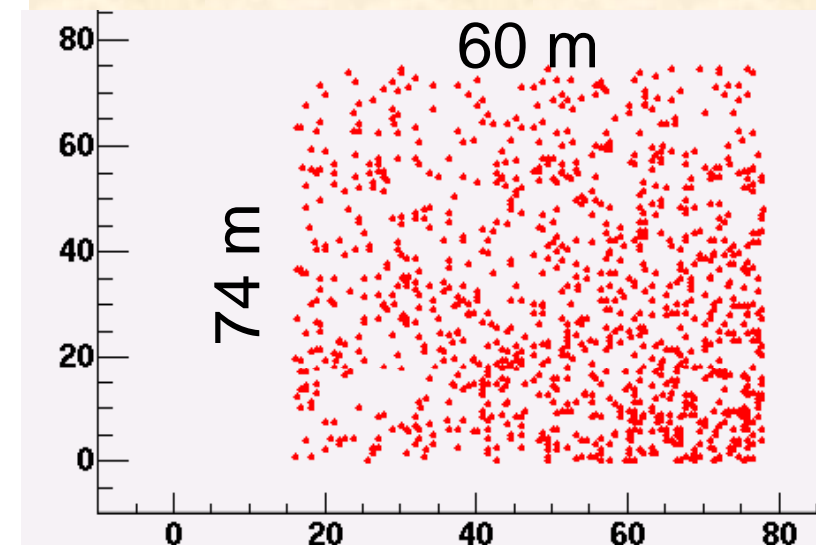
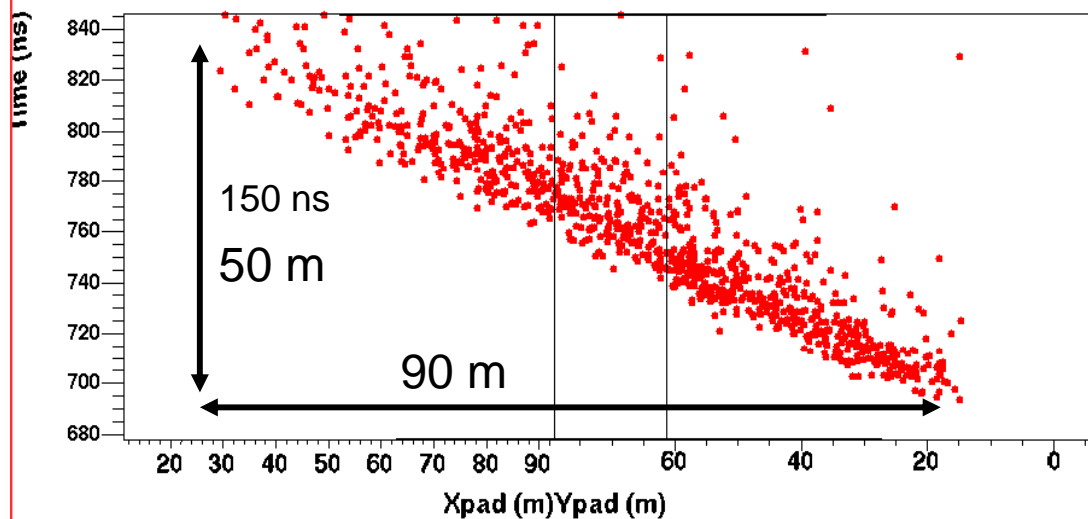
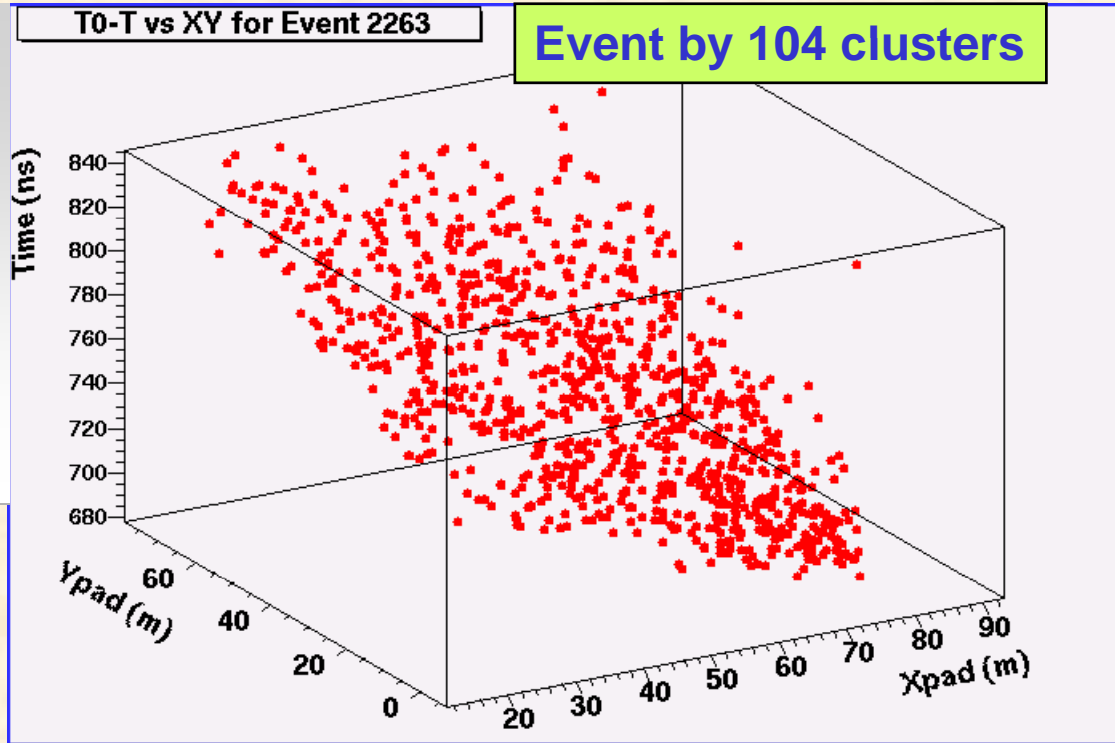
Detector performance

High space-time granularity
+ Full coverage technique
+ High altitude



a unique way to study
EAS

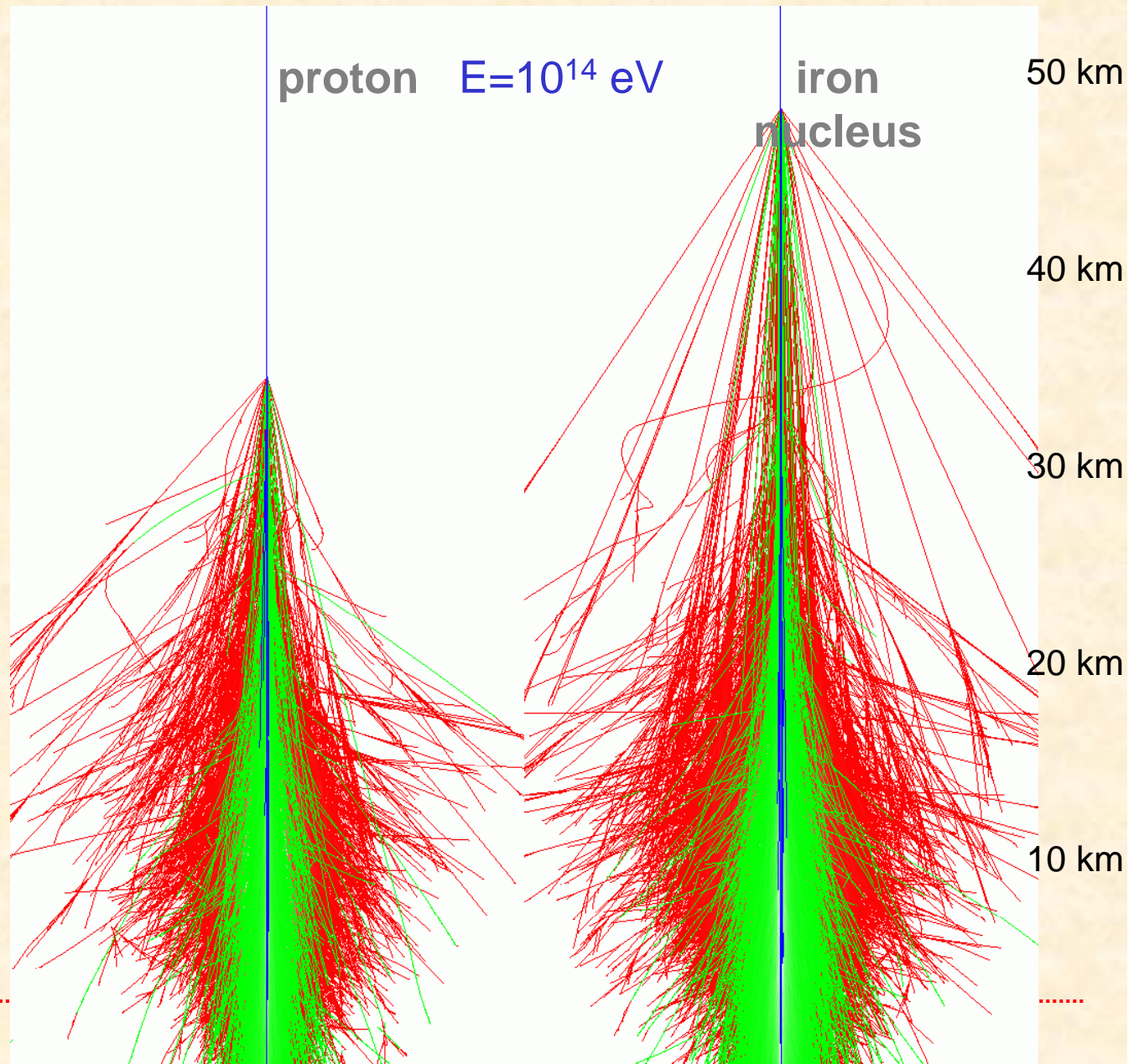
- Full space-time reconstruction
- Shower topology
- Structure of the shower front

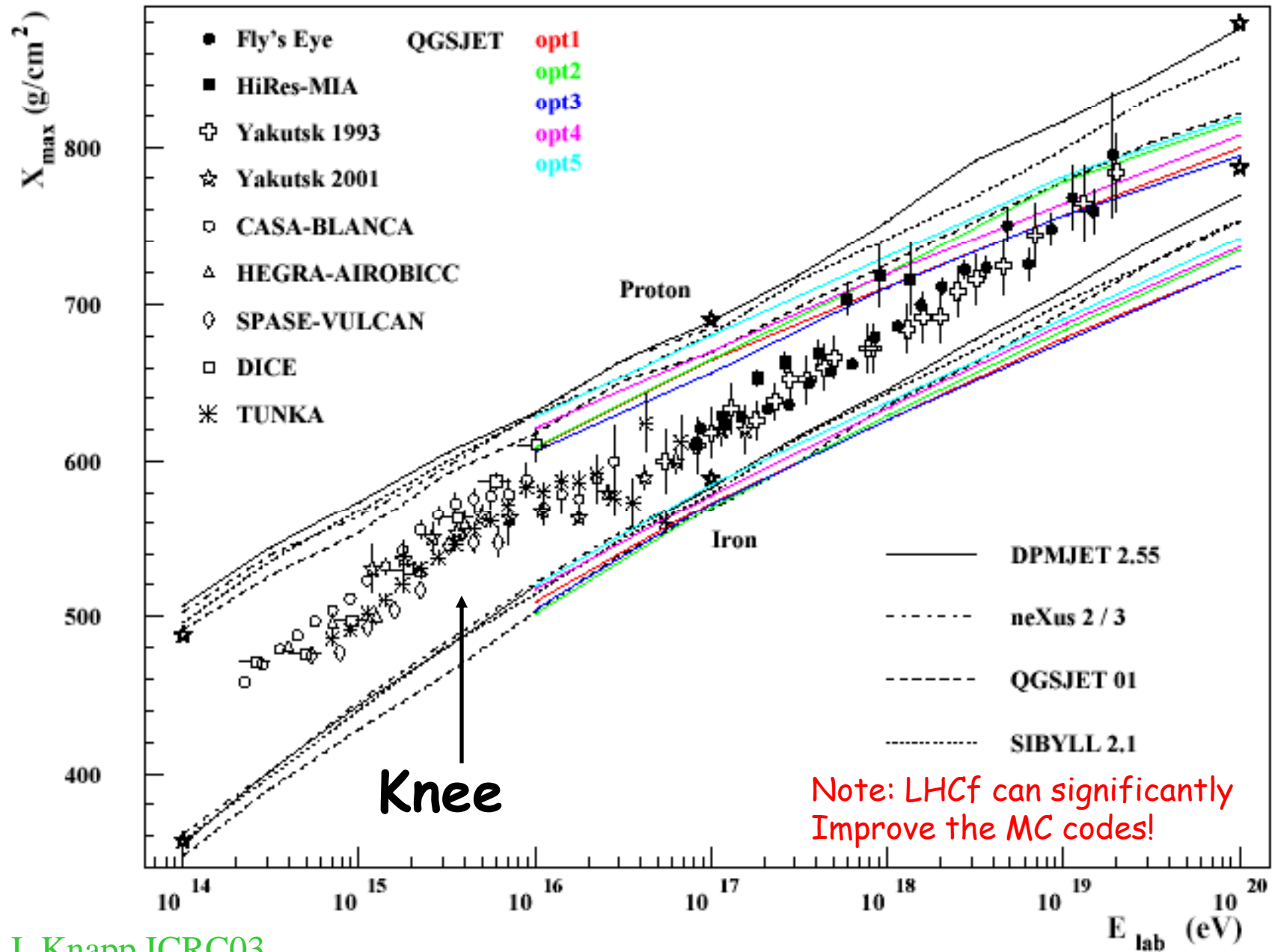


Next step: We want to identify the primary CR!
Light or heavy?

CORSIKA
Simulation
QGSJET/EGS4

e/
 γ
 μ
h





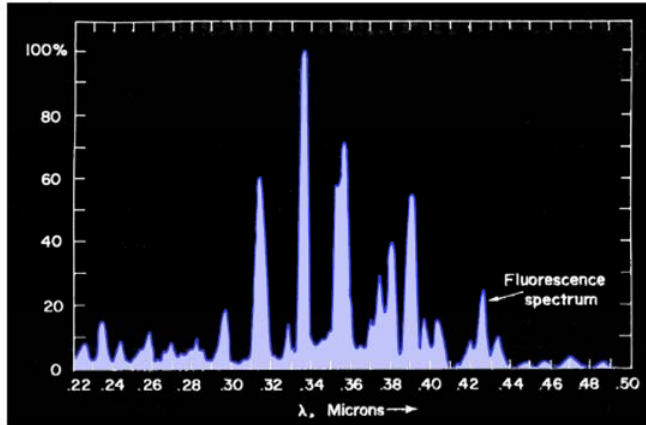
J. Knapp ICRC03

How can we measure X_{\max} ?

- We can profit of the different components of the shower development!
 - Charged components
 - Cherenkov component
 - Fluorescence component
- Cherenkov light produced by the ultrarelativistic component of the shower (mainly e^{\pm})
- Fluorescence light produced by the de-excitation of the N₂ molecules in the air after the excitation induced by the shower.

The shower can be 'followed' in it's 2d or 3d development

Fluorescence Spectrum



fluorescence yield
between 300 - 400nm

approx. 4 photons per
shower particle per metre
of track

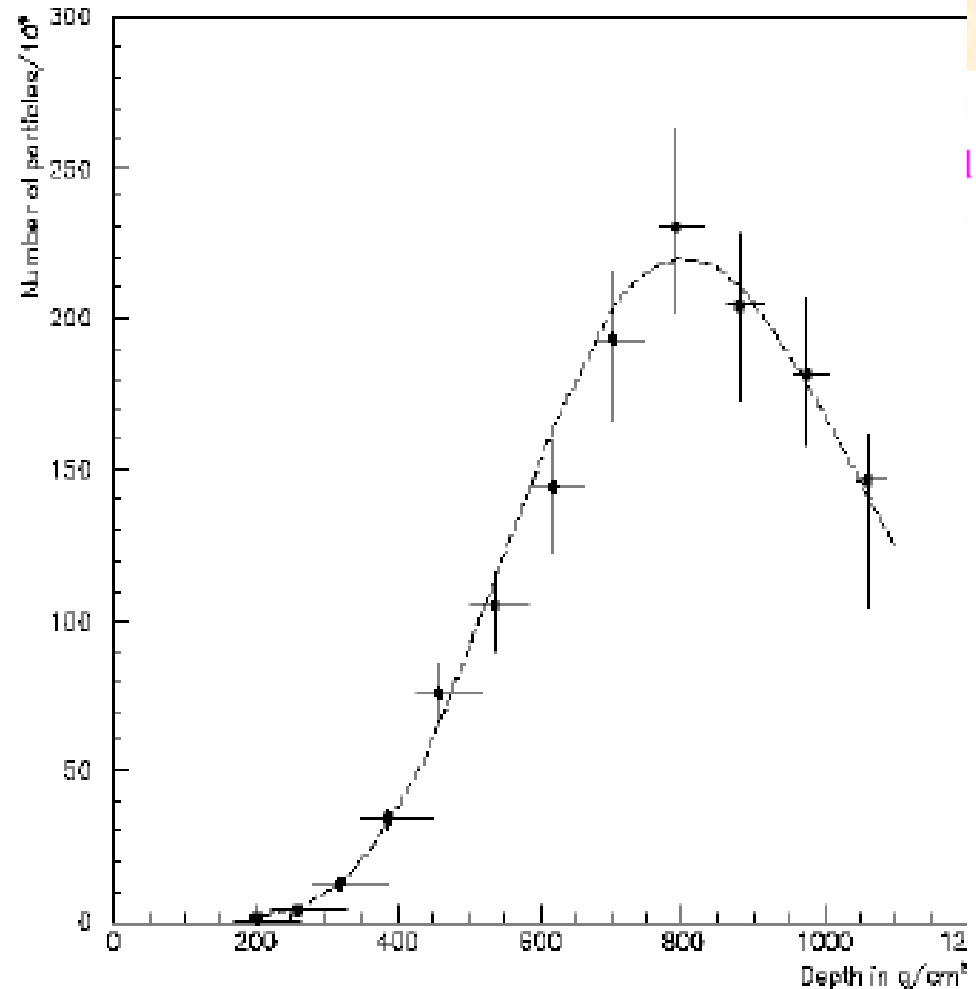
1. Time information
2. Amplitude information
3. Observing direction



Longitudinal development
of the shower

Disadvantages:

- Dark nights
 - Reduced live time
- Strong dependance on weather conditions
 - Monitoring is necessary
 - Reduced live time

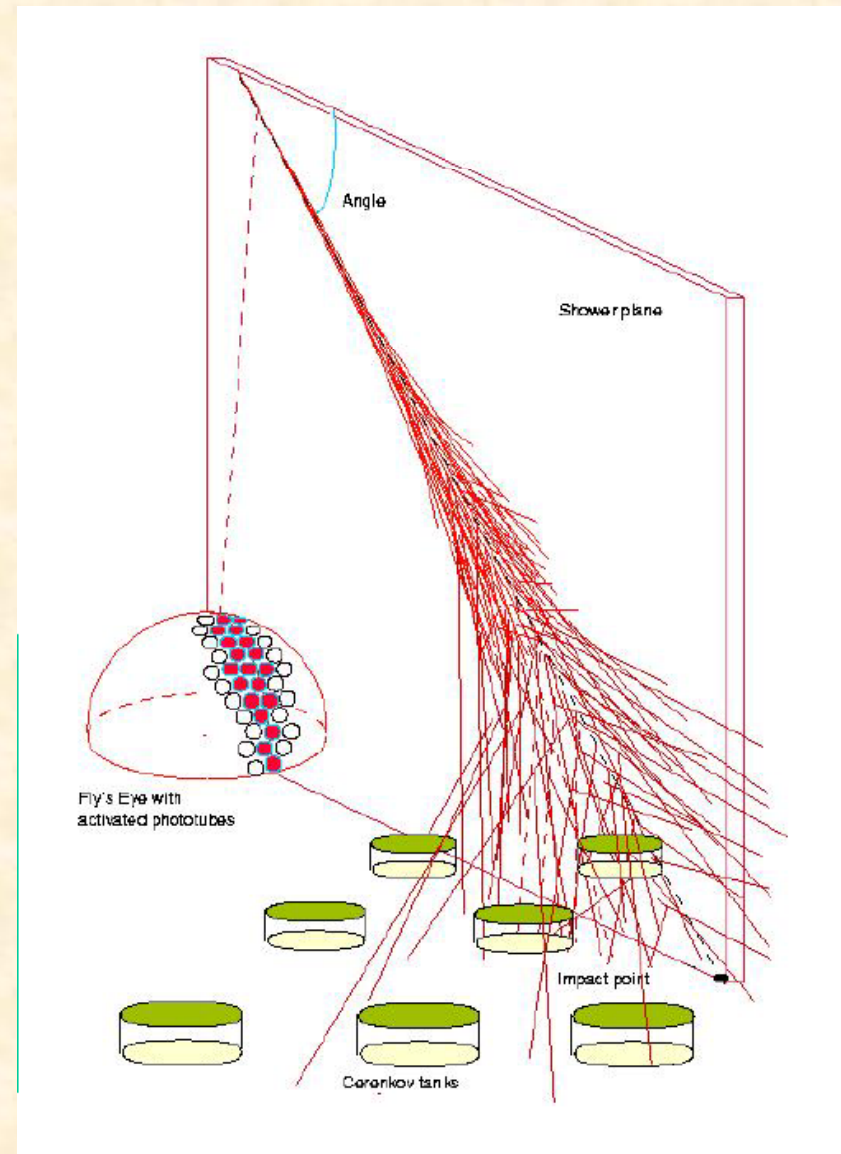


'Complete' EAS detection

Fluorescence detector to reconstruct the longitudinal development

Array of Cherenkov detectors for the lateral distribution measurement ($\alpha \cong 6^\circ$).

Array of charged particle detectors to sample the shower



Summary of Region 2

1. The knee is not fully understood
2. Direct measurements are energy limited
3. Indirect measurements are not very precise but can profit of the different measurements that can be done (charged particles, Cherenkov, Fluorescence) to identify the primary CR

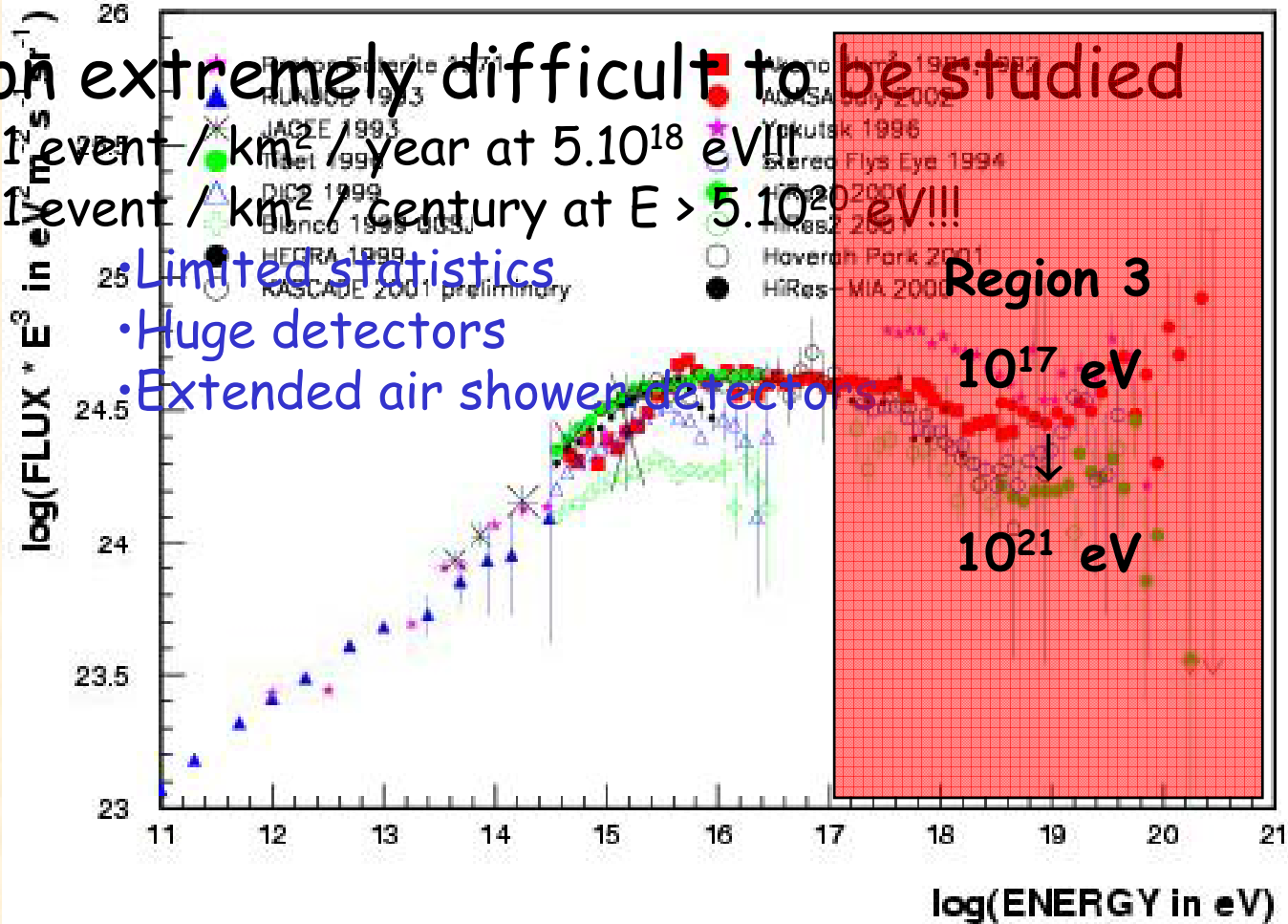
Region 3: 10^{17} eV - 10^{21} eV (UHECR)

Region extremely difficult to be studied

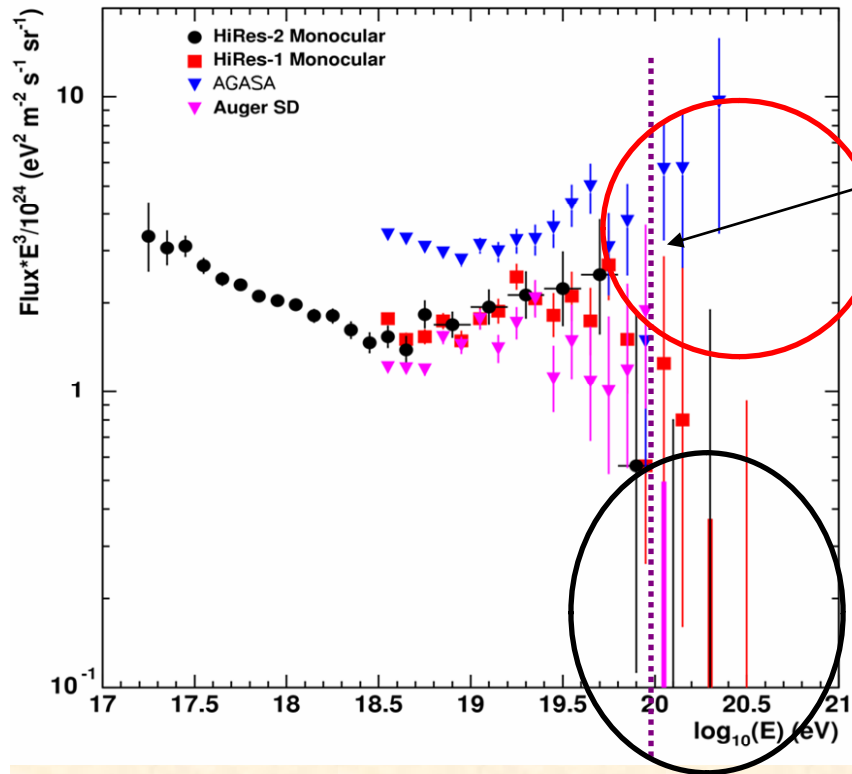
Flux \cong 1 event / km² / year at $5 \cdot 10^{18}$ eV!!!

Flux \cong 1 event / km² / century at $E > 5 \cdot 10^{20}$ eV!!!

- Limited statistics
- Huge detectors
- Extended air shower detector



GZK cut off



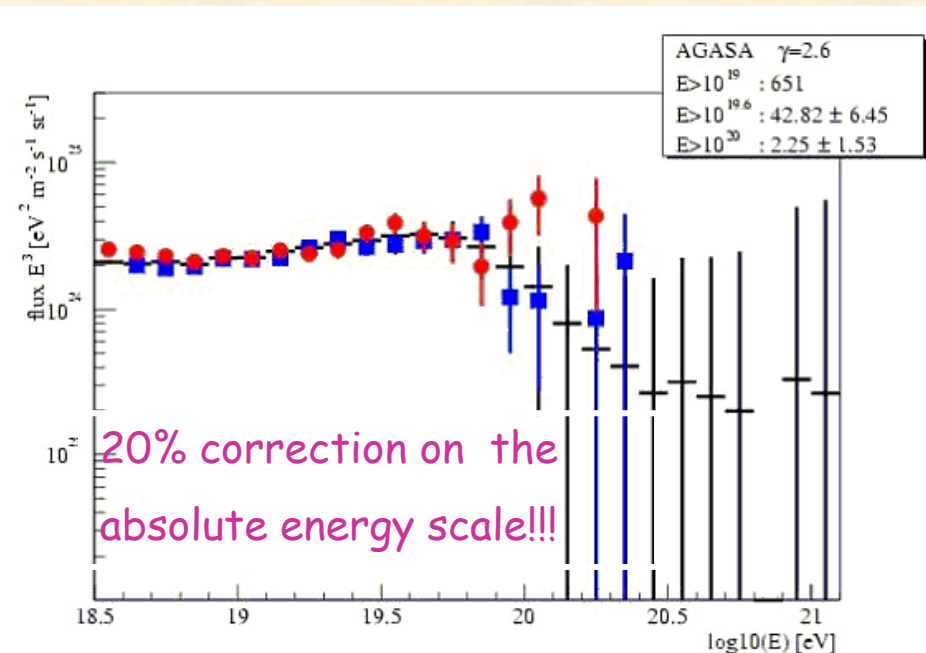
GZK cutoff: 10^{20} eV

$p\gamma(2.7K) \rightarrow \Delta \rightarrow N\pi$

super GZK events?!?

AGASA reports 18% systematic uncertainty in energy determination. 10% of systematic is due to interaction model.

Accelerator calibration is necessary:
LHCf



Current experimental status

At least 5 'old' experiments observed events with $E > 10^{20}$ eV
(Volcano Ranch, Haverah Park, Yakutsk, Fly's Eye/HiRes, Agasa)

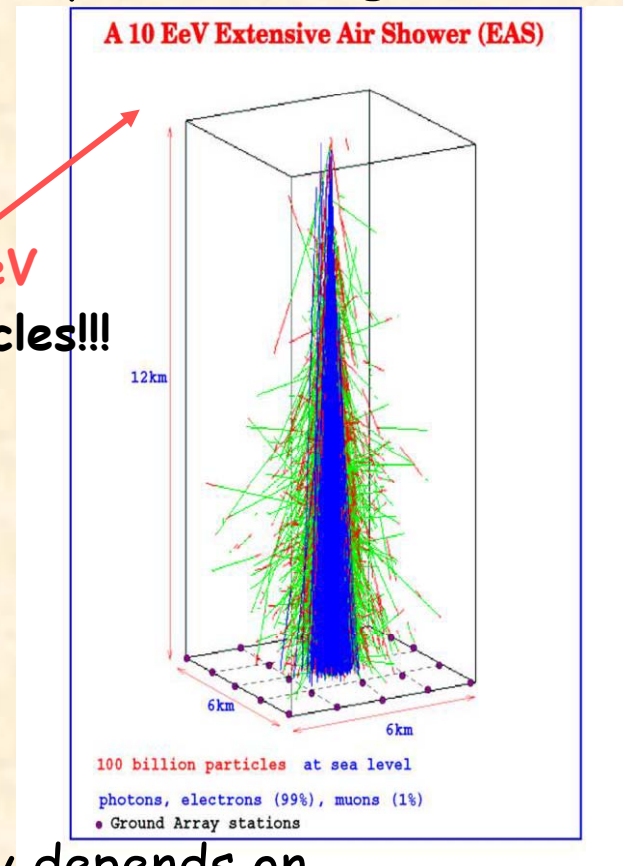
$$\int_{E=10^{19} \text{ eV}}^{\infty} N(E) dE \cong 100$$

$$\int_{E=10^{20} \text{ eV}}^{\infty} N(E) dE \cong 10$$



Number of events observed up to now

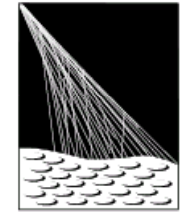
10^{19} eV
 10^{11} particles!!!



However:

1. the energy reconstruction method critically depends on the Monte Carlo codes
2. Statistics is very limited
3. **Hybrid technique + Huge acceptance is mandatory!**

Pierre Auger Observatory



PIERRE
AUGER
OBSERVATORY

>250 researchers from 17 Countries:

Italian AUGER Groups:

Catania, L'Aquila, Lecce, Milano, Napoli, Roma, Torino

- **Full sky coverage**
 - South - Argentina Funded
 - North - Not Yet Funded
- **Hybrid detection technique**
 - 1600 particle detectors (Water Cherenkov)
over 3000 km²
 - 4 Fluorescence Detectors
- It will Measure Direction, Energy, & Composition of CR
- Very high statistics!
 - ~ 60 events/yr $E > 10^{20}eV$
 - ~ 6000 events/yr $E > 10^{19}eV$

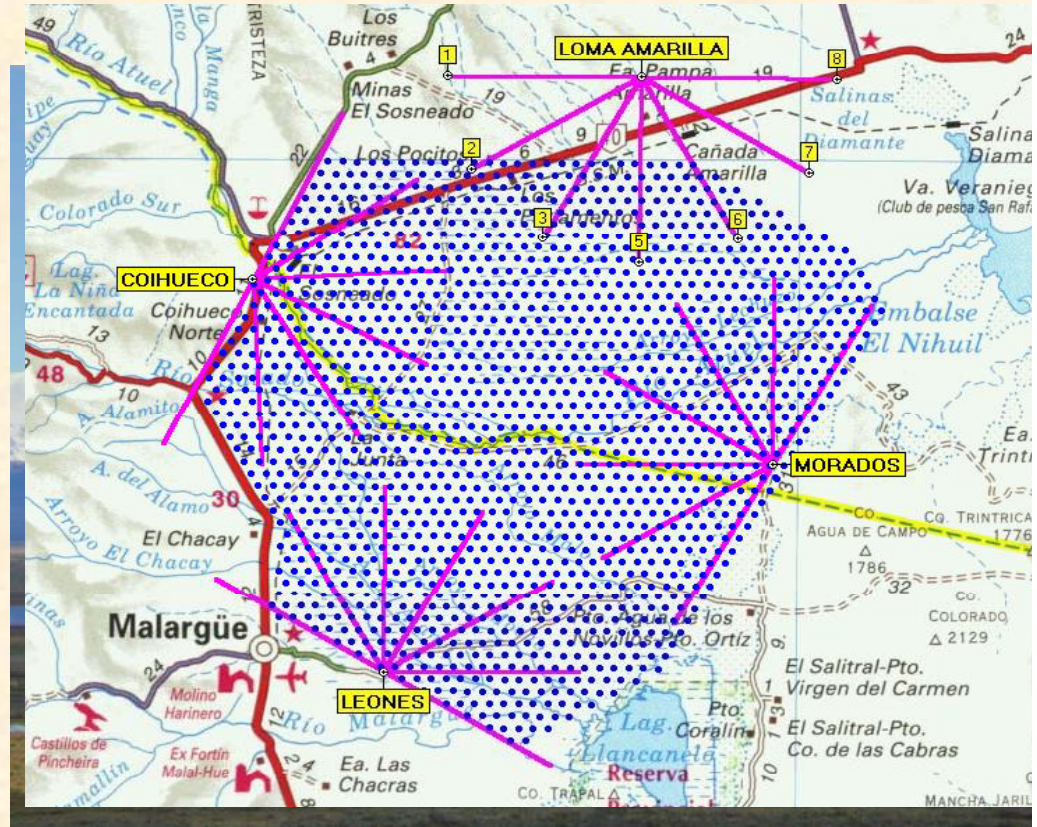
SOUTH Observatory

- Low human activity
- Excellent climate



35° S latitude
 69° W longitude
 ~1.4 km a.s.l.
 $X = 875 \text{ g/cm}^2$

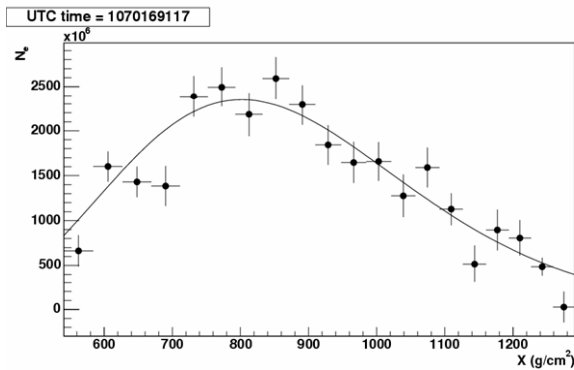
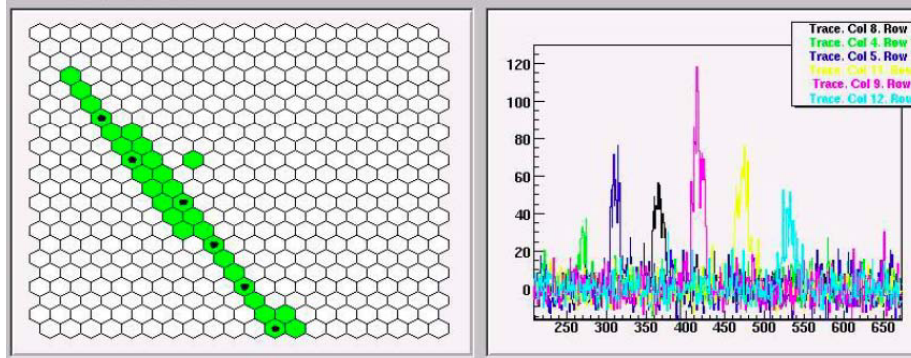
Malargüe, Mendoza, Argentina



area 3000 Km²
aperture 7350 Km² sr

- 4 Eyes for the FD (6 telescopes)
- 1600 Cherenkov detectors, Step: 1.5 Km

A typical hybrid event



Event Display, version v3r1

Control: File Configure Experts only... Multiple selection
 Reconstruct Previous Next Get# 673411 Update 0

#00673411, 19 stations, FD

0182 (0 ns, 3.5 VEM)
0166 (778 ns, 13.2 VEM)
0174 (1458 ns, 4.7 VEM)
0172 (2130 ns, 210.5 VEM)
0157 (2542 ns, 3.3 VEM)
0156 (3439 ns, 95.9 VEM)
0171 (4218 ns, 14.2 VEM)
0173 (5053 ns, 1092.6 VEM)
0151 (6415 ns, 18.1 VEM)
0131 (8408 ns, 19.6 VEM)
0215, station deleted
0132, station deleted
0283, station deleted
0036, station deleted
0155, station deleted

Array

Status

file selected: sd_2004_02_27_00h20.root
 Minimum number of triggered stations: 0
 Trigger selected: all of them
 Date of this event: Fri Feb 27 07:57:52 2004 (GPS 761903885)

Display

Lateral distribution function fit

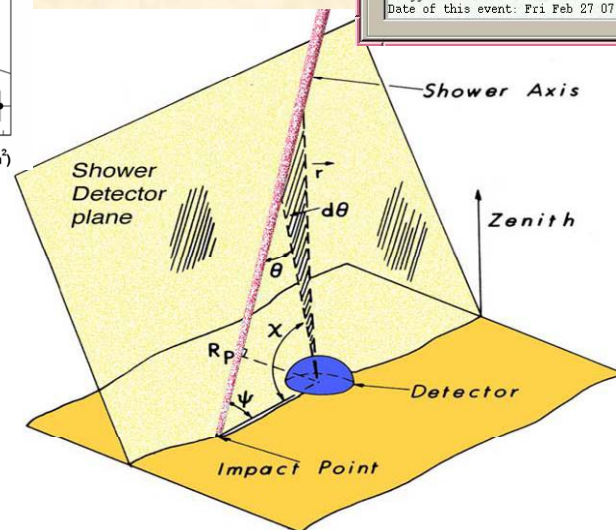
Fri Feb 27 07:57:52 2004
 Easting= 465830 ± 11m
 Northing= 6090308 ± 21m
 dt= 52.8ns

 Theta= 35.9 ± 0.4 deg
 Phi= -173.3 ± 0.3/sin(theta) deg

 R= 10.0 ± 0.8 km

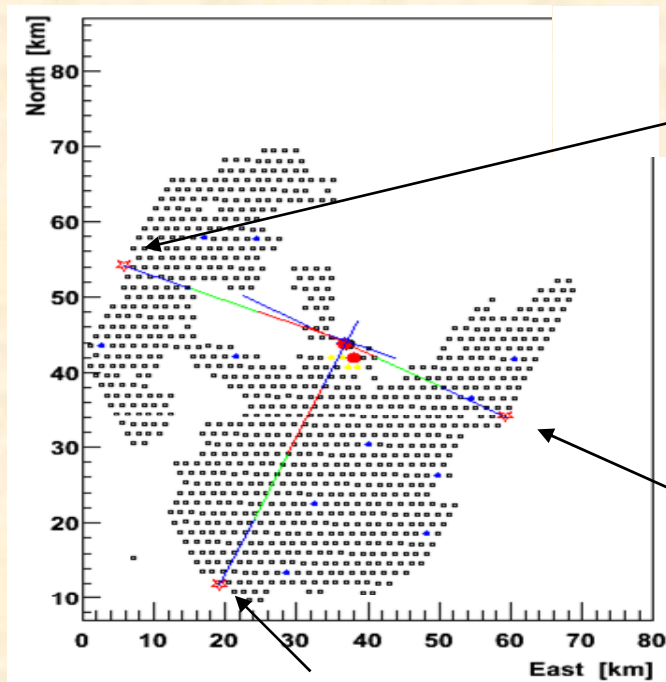
 S(1000)= 102.94 ± 4.39 VEM
 E= 21.03 EeV ± 4%
 100%

Longitudinal profile
 FD reconstruction

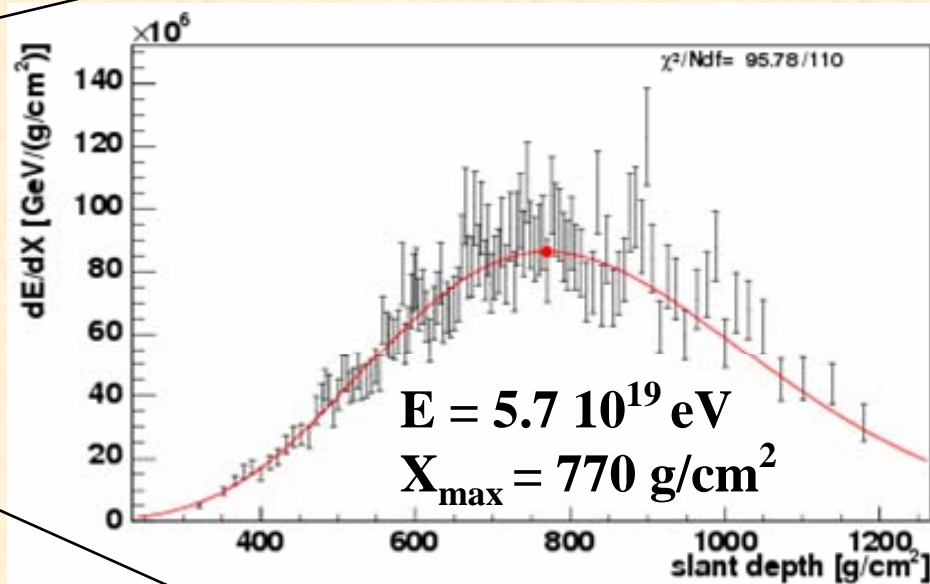


SD reconstruction

Stereo event (tri-eyes view)

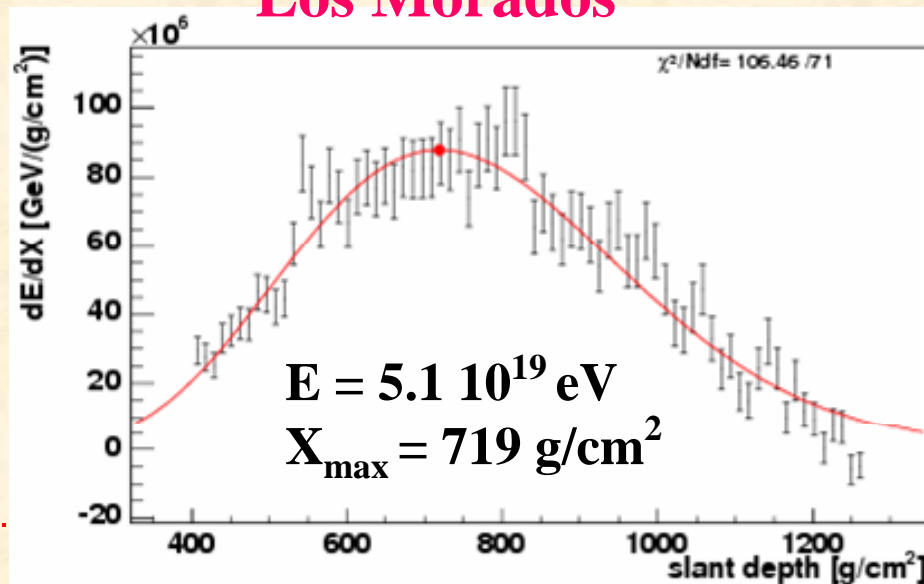
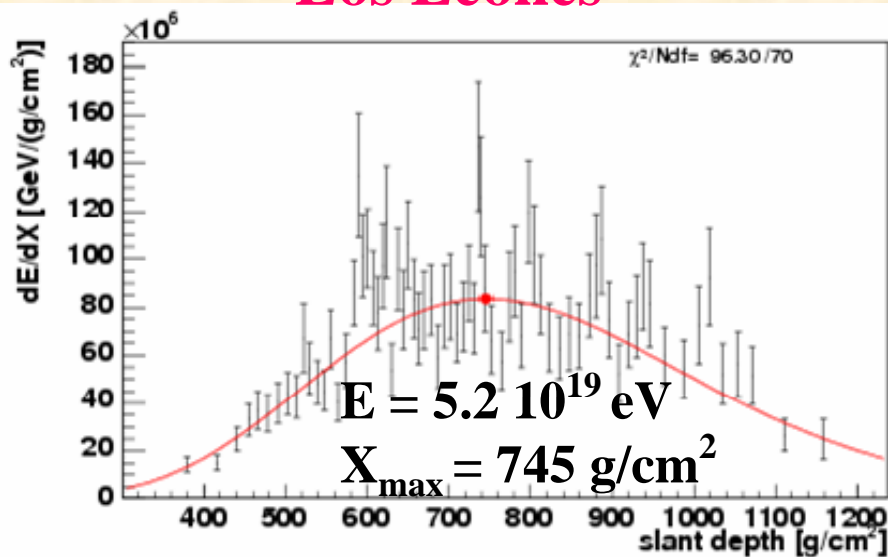


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Los Leones

Los Morados

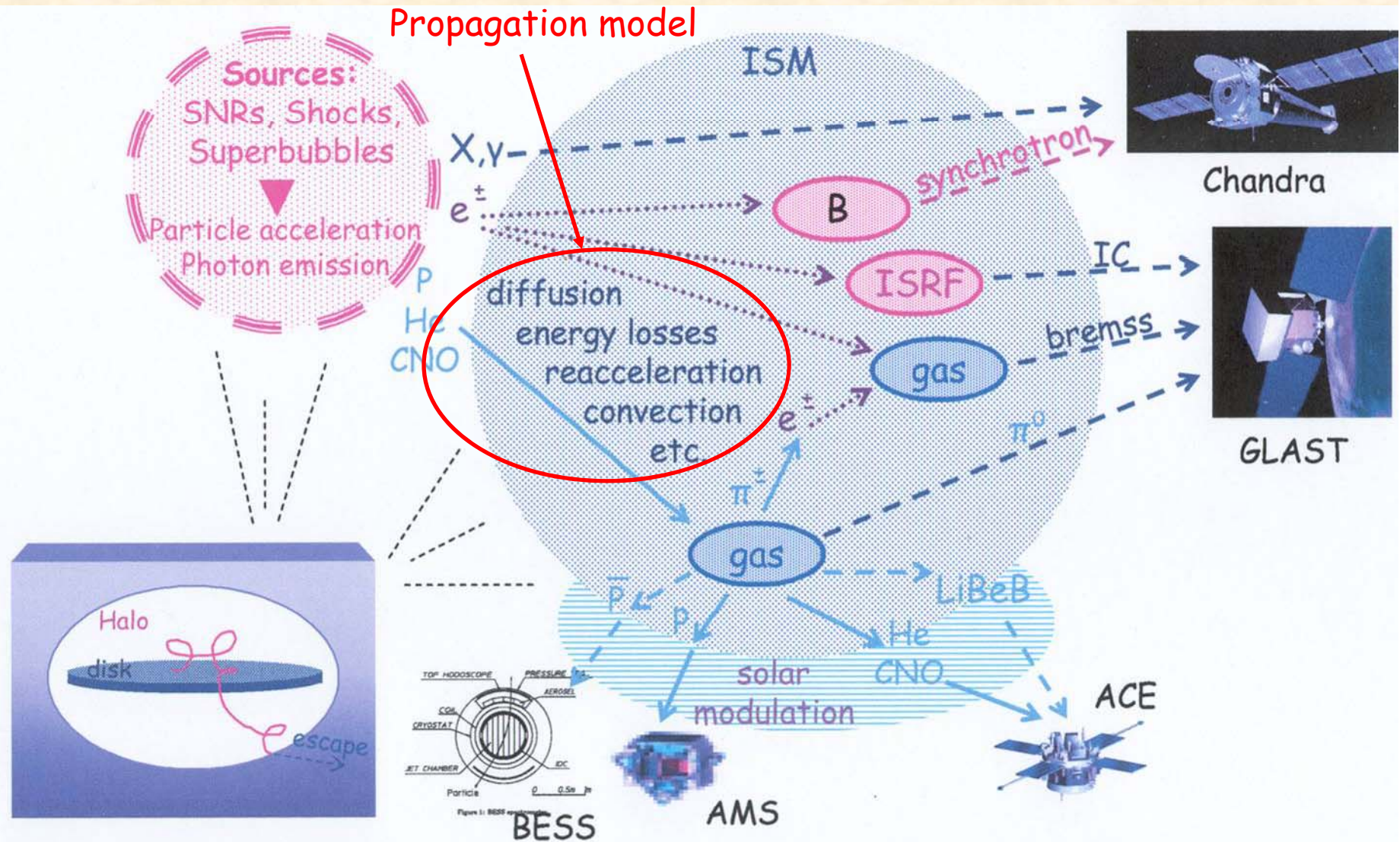


Conclusions

- Huge energy range and huge differences in CR fluxes requires very different techniques
- The modern detectors are very refined and precise in all the different CR regions
- CR physics is extremely interesting and challenging!!!!

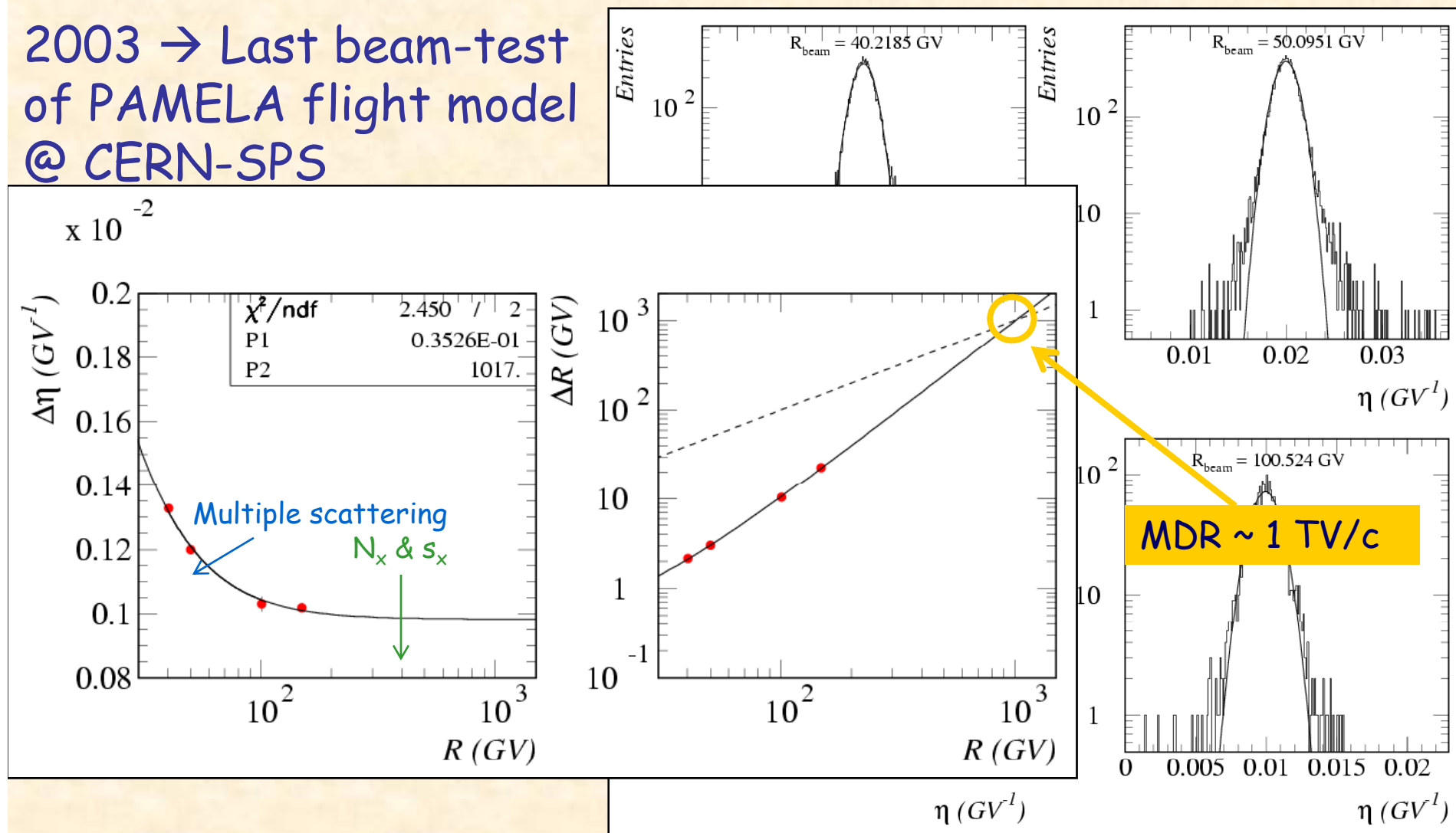
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Astrophysics of galactic cosmic rays



Momentum resolution

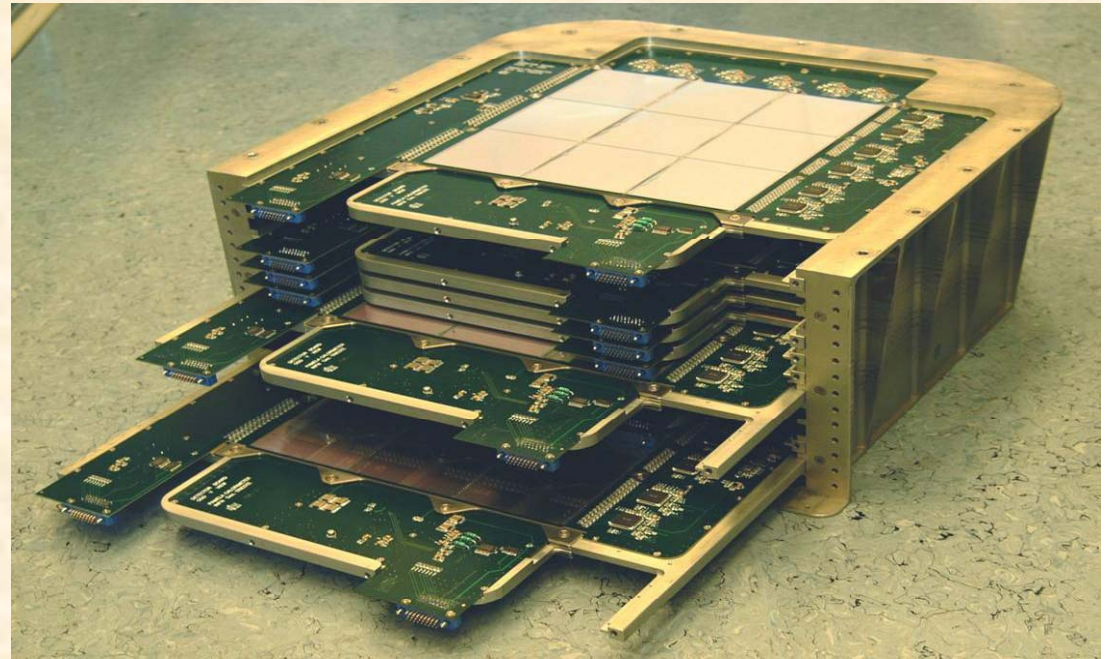
2003 → Last beam-test
of PAMELA flight model
@ CERN-SPS



Pamela Calorimeter

Si-W Calorimeter

- Measures energies of e^\pm .
 $\Delta E/E = 15\% / E^{1/2} + 5\%$
- Si-X / W / Si-Y structure.
- 22 Si / 21 W $\Rightarrow 16X_0 / 0.9\lambda_0$
- Imaging: EM - vs- hadronic discrimination, longitudinal and transverse shower profile
- Total number of channels
4224
- Wide dynamic range $\cong 1 - 1000$ MIP

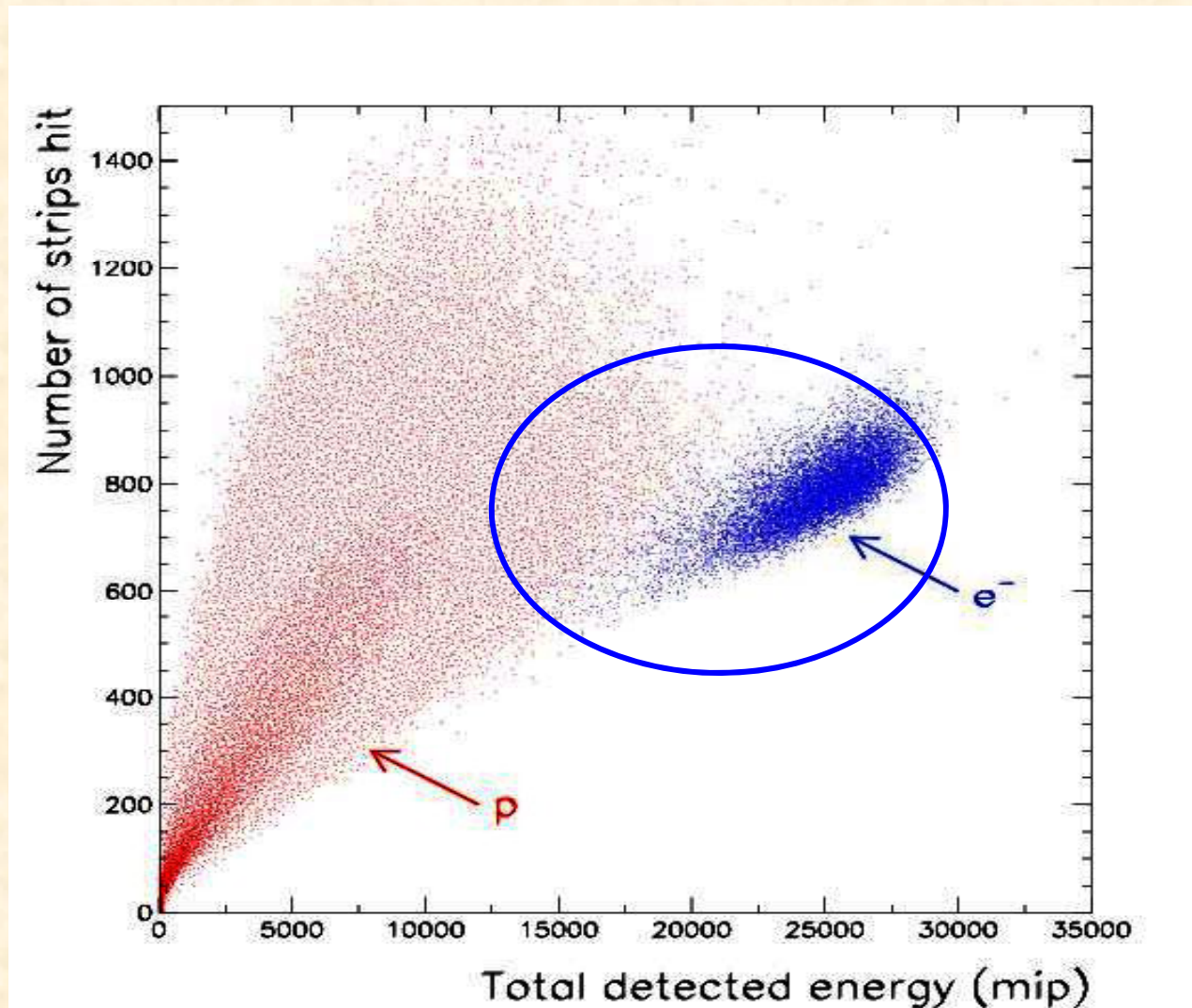


Calorimeter Requirements:

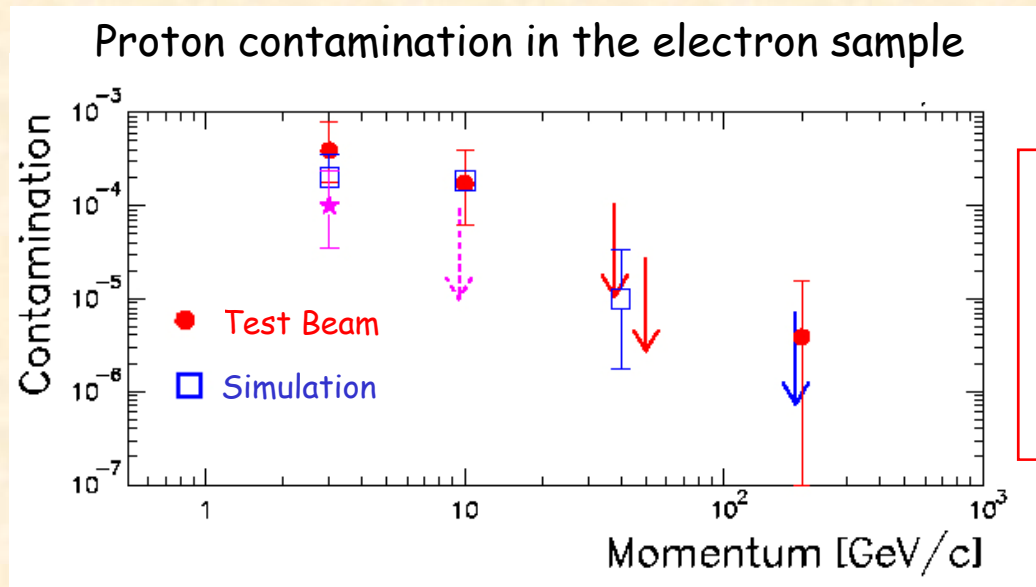
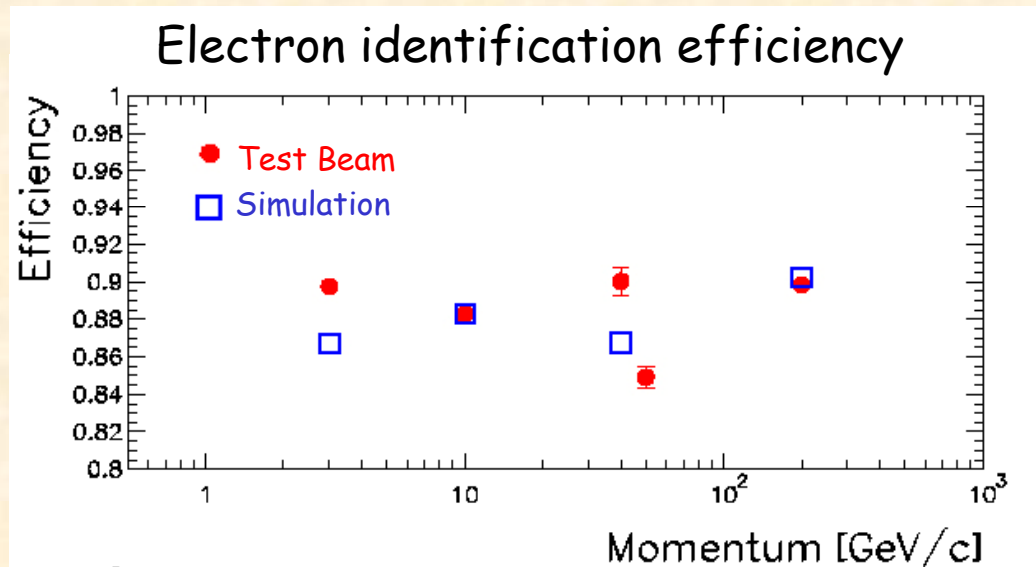
- p/e^+ selection eff. $\sim 90\%$
- p rejection factor $\sim 10^5$
- e^- rejection factor $> 10^4$

Electron-Proton Separation

SPS Test
Beam Data:
p & e⁻
200 GeV/c



SPS Test Beam Data
(p&e⁻ up to 200 GeV)
+ Simulation



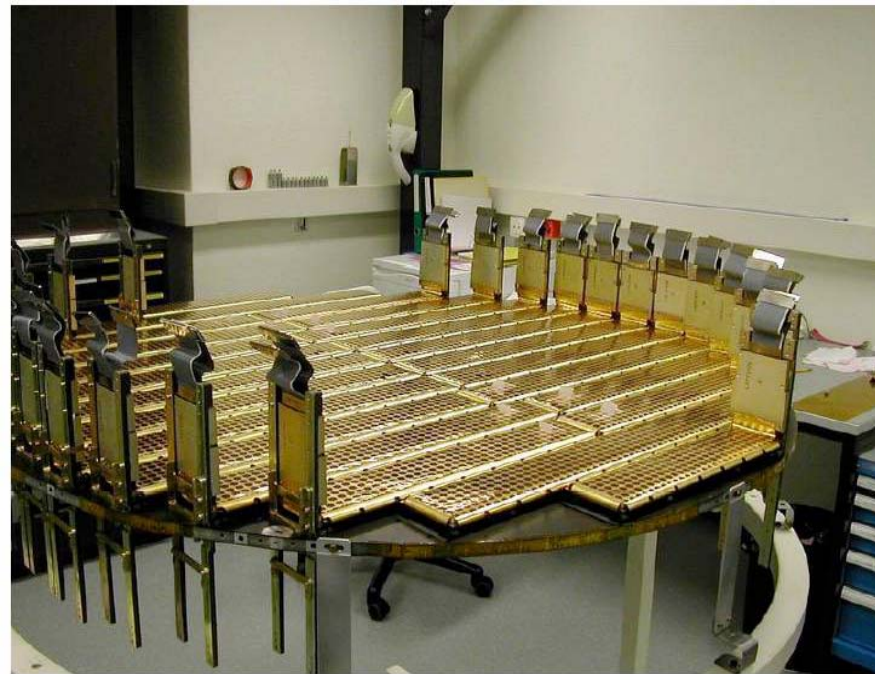
At 200 GeV:
Proton rejection
factor $\cong 2.3 \cdot 10^5$
Electron selection
efficiency $\cong 90\%$

AMS02: Tracking system

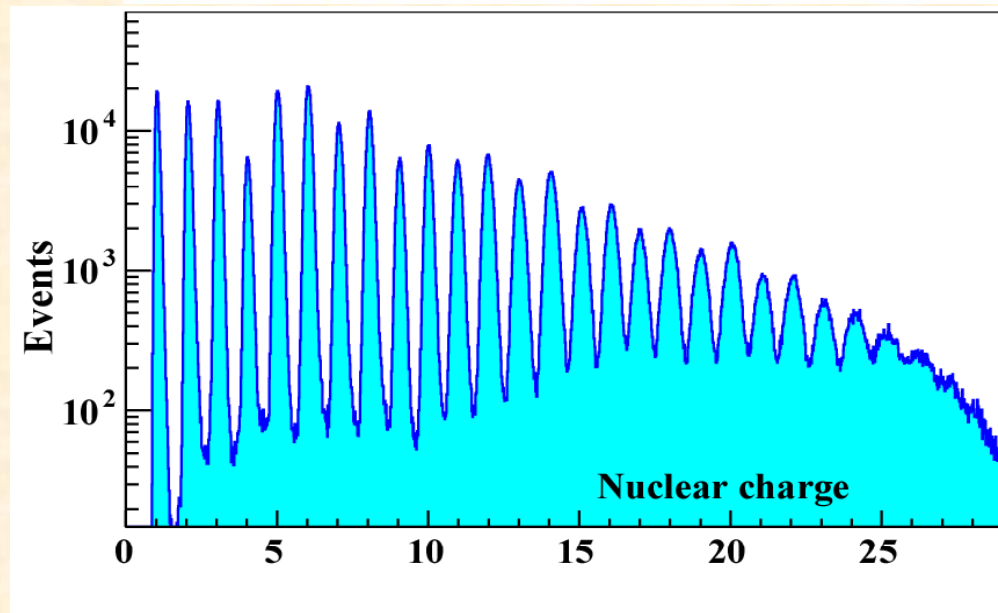
Dimensions ~ 6.4 m²

MDR ~ 2 TV/c

8 planes, 300k channels

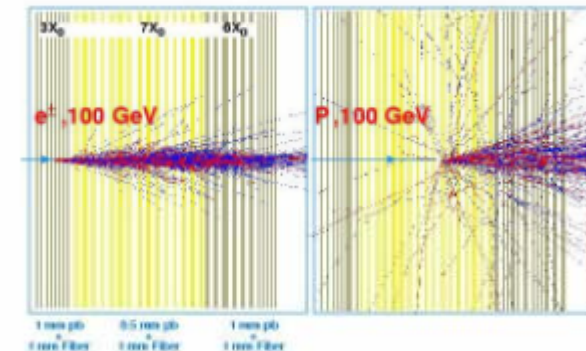
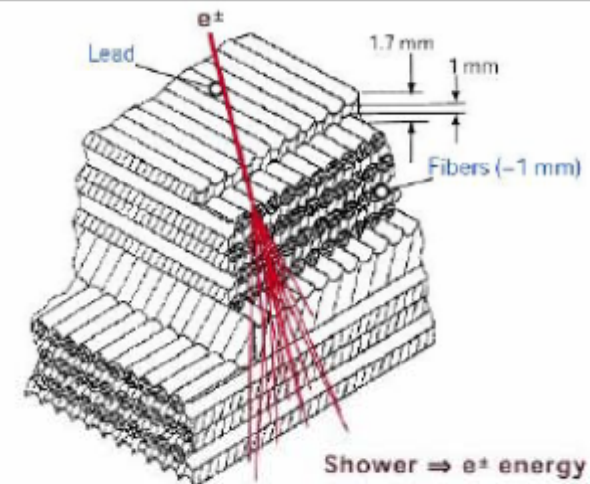


Z discrimination is
possible up to Fe

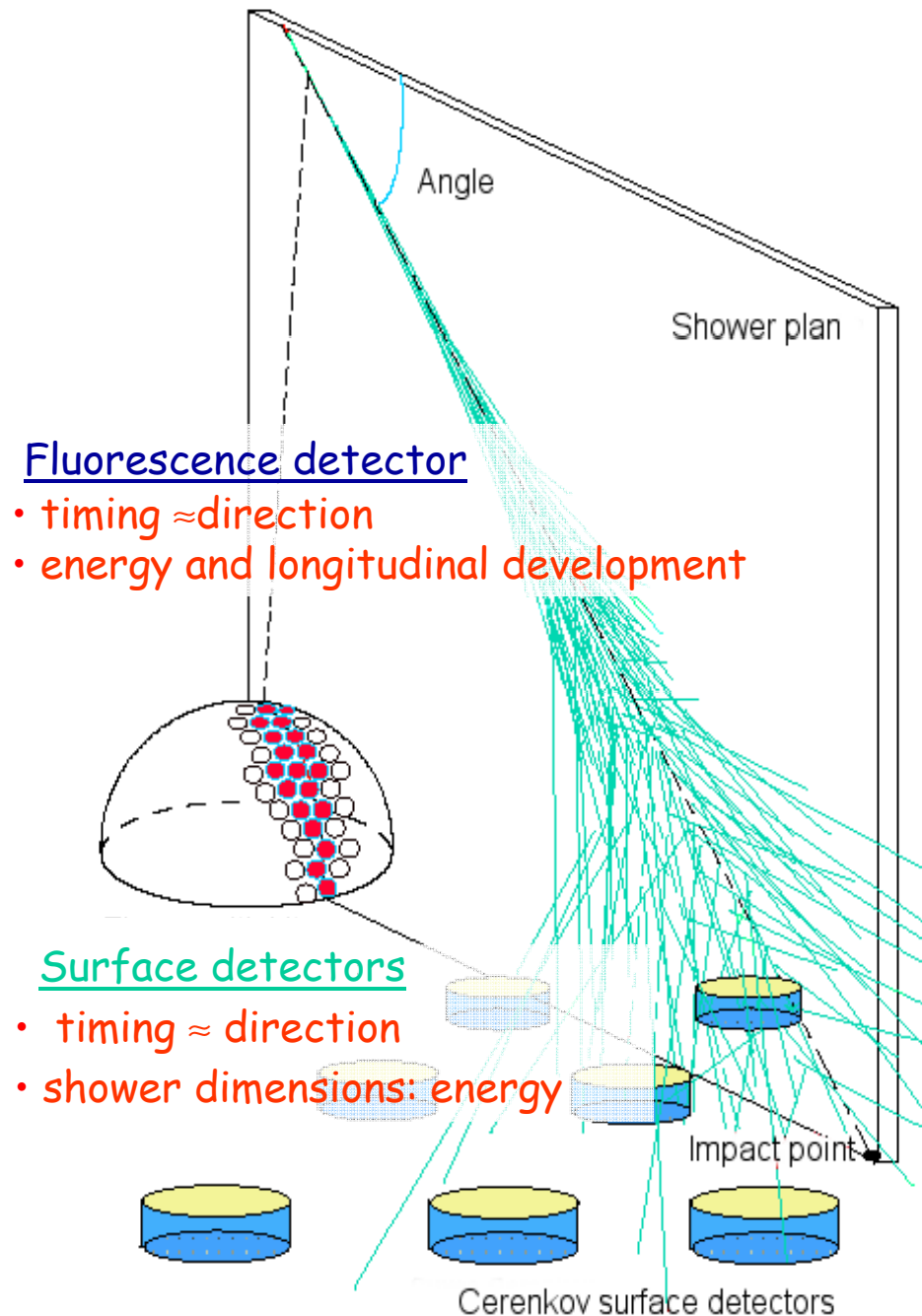


AMS-02: Electromagnetic Calorimeter

- Lead scintillating fiber sandwich (640 kg), 3D sampling by crossed layer
- $\sim 17X_0$ radiation lengths
- 9 superlayers piled up disposed along Y and X alternately
- Energy resolution (GeV)
 $\Delta E/E \simeq 10.1\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 2.6\%$
- Distinction between hadrons and e/γ by shower shape
- Protons suppressed by 10^{-4} up to 500 GeV. Together with TRD, rejection of hadrons/electrons $\geq 10^6$
- Independent γ detector, angular resolution $\sim 2^\circ$, γ independently triggered



Hybrid Technique



Fluorescence detector

- timing \approx direction
- energy and longitudinal development

Surface detectors

- timing \approx direction
- shower dimensions: energy

3-D image of the shower:

- ✓ Longitudinal profile from FD
- ✓ Lateral profile from SD
- ✓ Stereo detection

Cross calibration:

- ✓ Two complementary and independent methods for the EAS detection

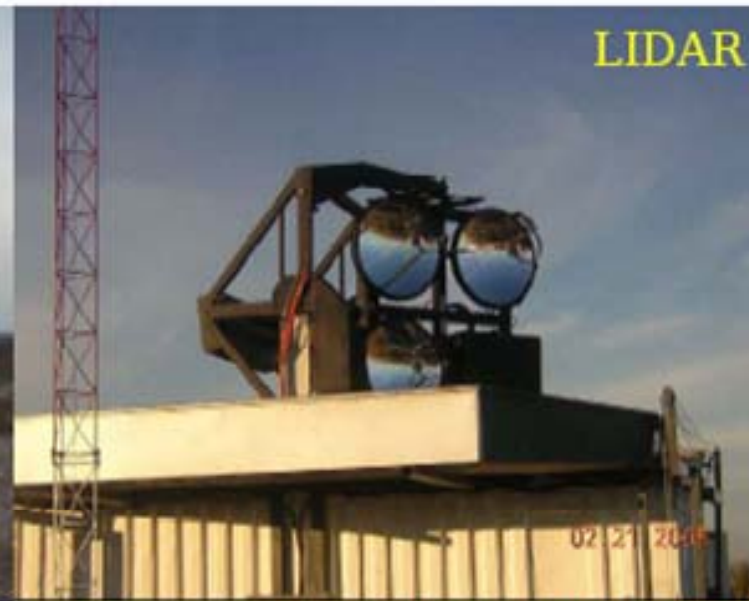
Better data quality:

- ✓ Systematics are reduced
- ✓ Geometrical and energetic resolutions are improved
- ✓ Better determination of the shower axis (simultaneous measurement of the event with different detectors)
- ✓ Small model dependence

Uniform sky coverage:

- ✓ SD: 100% duty cycle
- ✓ FD: 10% duty cycle

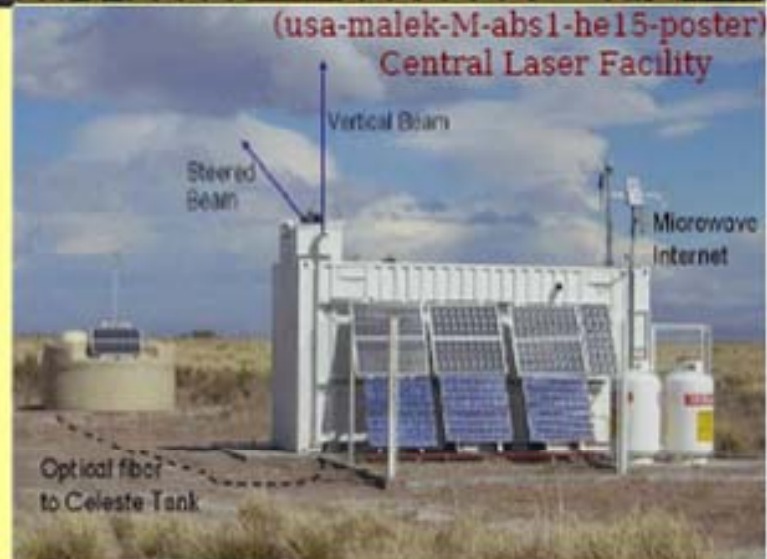
Atmospheric monitoring is crucial



Atmosphere monitoring (usa-roberts-M-abs1-he15-poster)

- Horizontal Attenuation Monitors (HAM)
- Aerosol Phase Function Monitors (HPF)
- Cloud Cameras
- Star Monitors

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Balloons/Satellites

Balloons:

Altitude ~ 40 km

→ ~ 5 g/cm² residual atmosphere

Limited life (day/night effect)

(6-40 hours)

'Local' observations

Long duration (40 days)

Big payloads (4 ton)

Payload can be recovered

Limited cost

Satellites:

Altitude > 300 km

→ ~ 0 g/cm² residual atmosphere

3 years data taking

'All sky' survey

Many possible orbits

Limited payload mass

Limited power

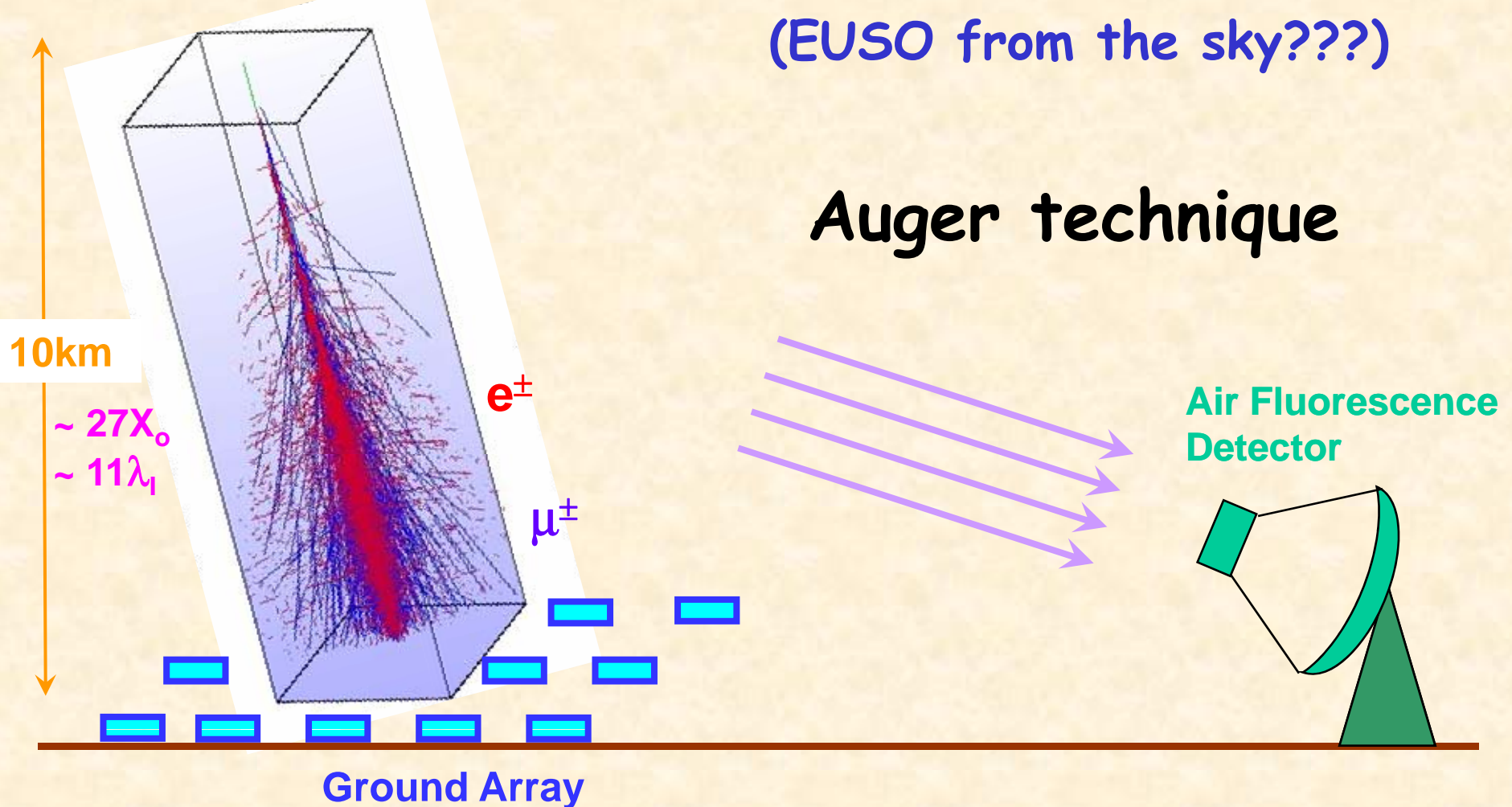
Complexity

Cost!

Principle of Hybrid Detection (extremely important for UHECR)

MC Simulation of
 10^{19}eV Proton Shower

Approach from the earth
(EUSO from the sky???)



Auger technique

Air Fluorescence
Detector

Ground Array

Auger performances (SD + FD)

South observatory (end of 2007):

1600 SD
4 FD eyes

Duty Cycle:

SD 100%
FD 10-15% (dark and clean nights)

Efficiency:

>90% above 10^{19} eV

Energy resolution (final goal):

	SD alone	Hybrid system
10^{20} eV	15%	10 %
10^{19} EeV	30%	20%

Angular resolution :

	SD alone	Hybrid system
$>3 \cdot 10^{18}$ eV	$1.4^\circ - 2.2^\circ$	0.6°

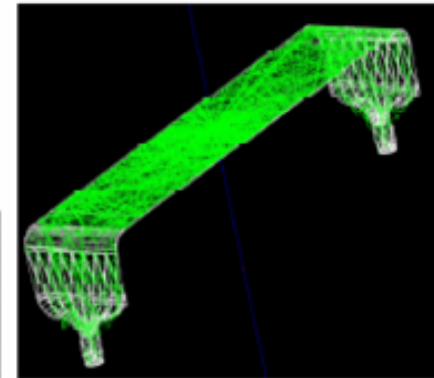
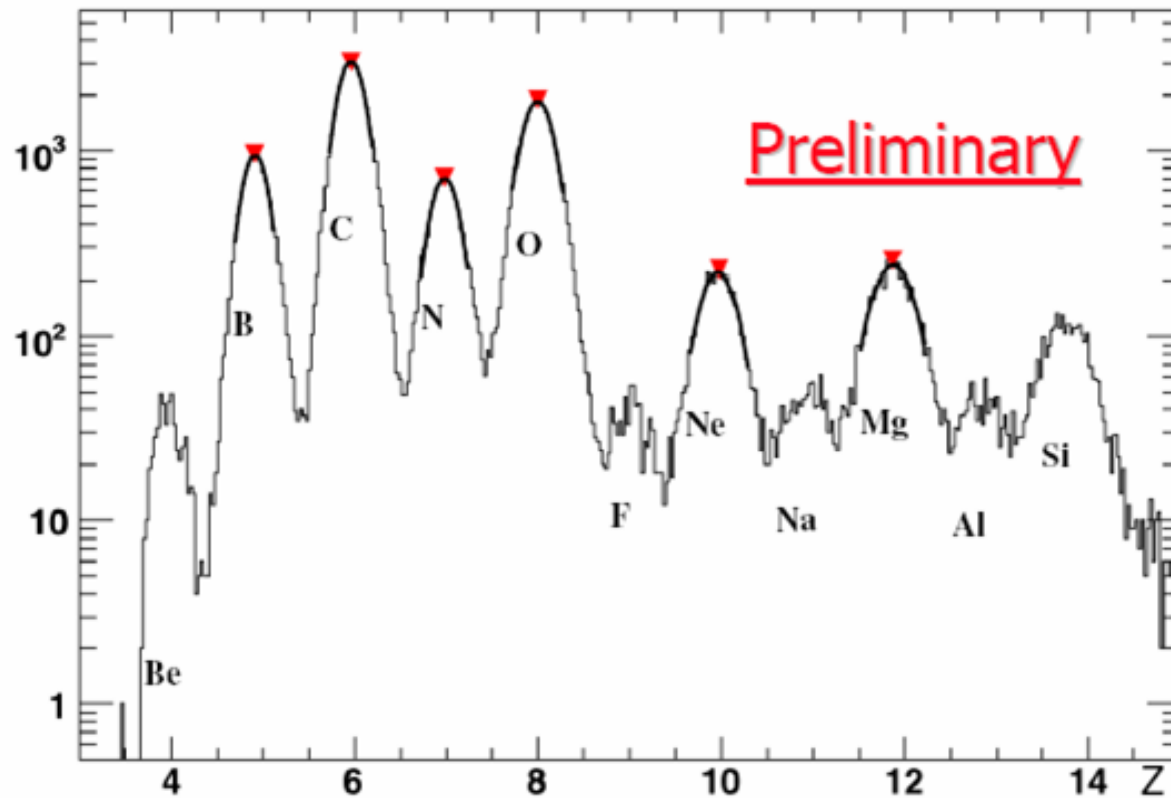
Shower core reconstruction:

SD alone	FD Mono	Hybrid system
≈ 150 m	≈ 600 m	≈ 50 m

TCD charge measurement

Maestro, CREAM collaboration meeting Jan.11-12, 2007

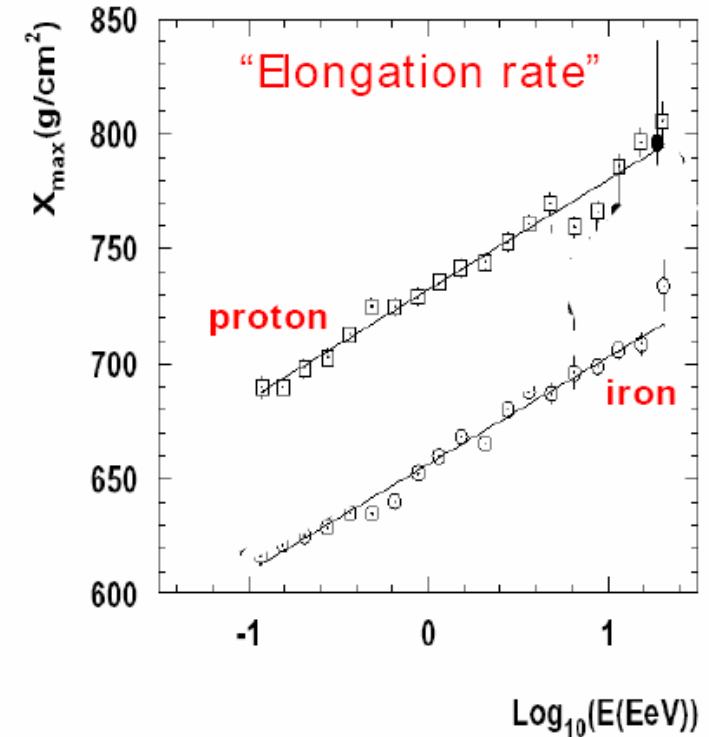
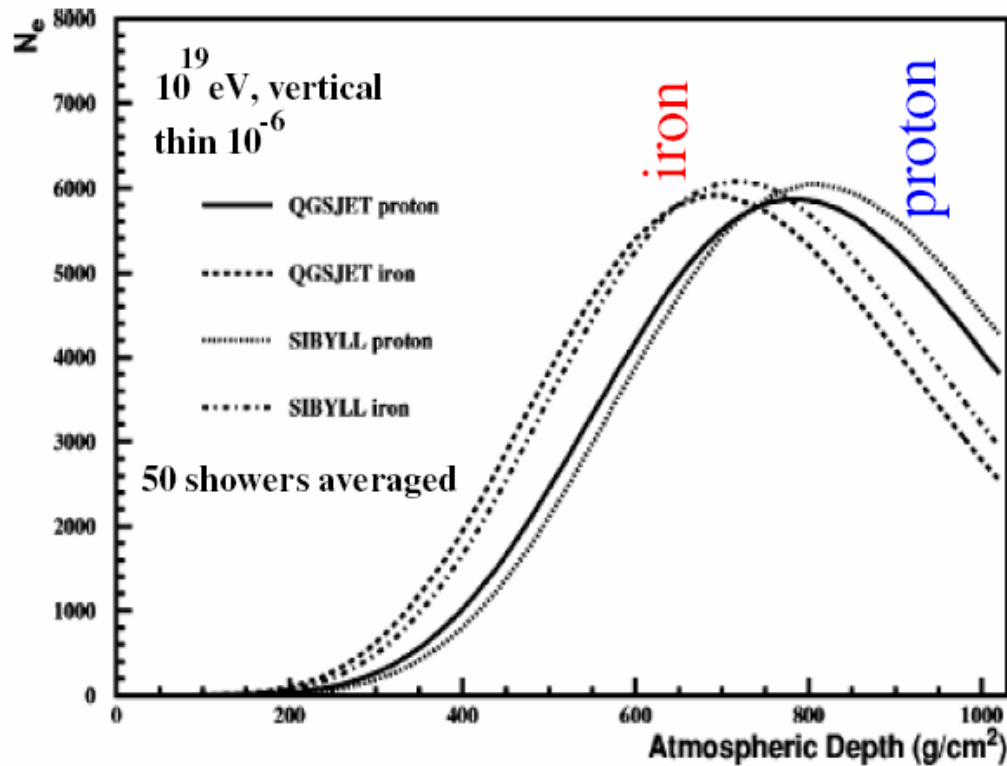
Charge Resolution $\sim 0.2 e$ for O and C



From Eun-Suk Seo, CRHEU07

Depth of Shower Maximum (X_{max})

Expected values for the mean X_{max} for proton and iron primaries according to EAS simulations.



FD: Advantages and Disadvantages

Advantages:

- Calorimetric measurement of shower energy
 - Model independance
 - Reduced importance of MC
- Large collecting area
- Entire shower profile is observed
 - Good precision in X_{\max}

Disadvantages:

- Dark nights
 - Reduced live time
- Strong dependance on weather conditions
 - Monitoring is necessary
 - Reduced live time