



# New Physics with Trasgos

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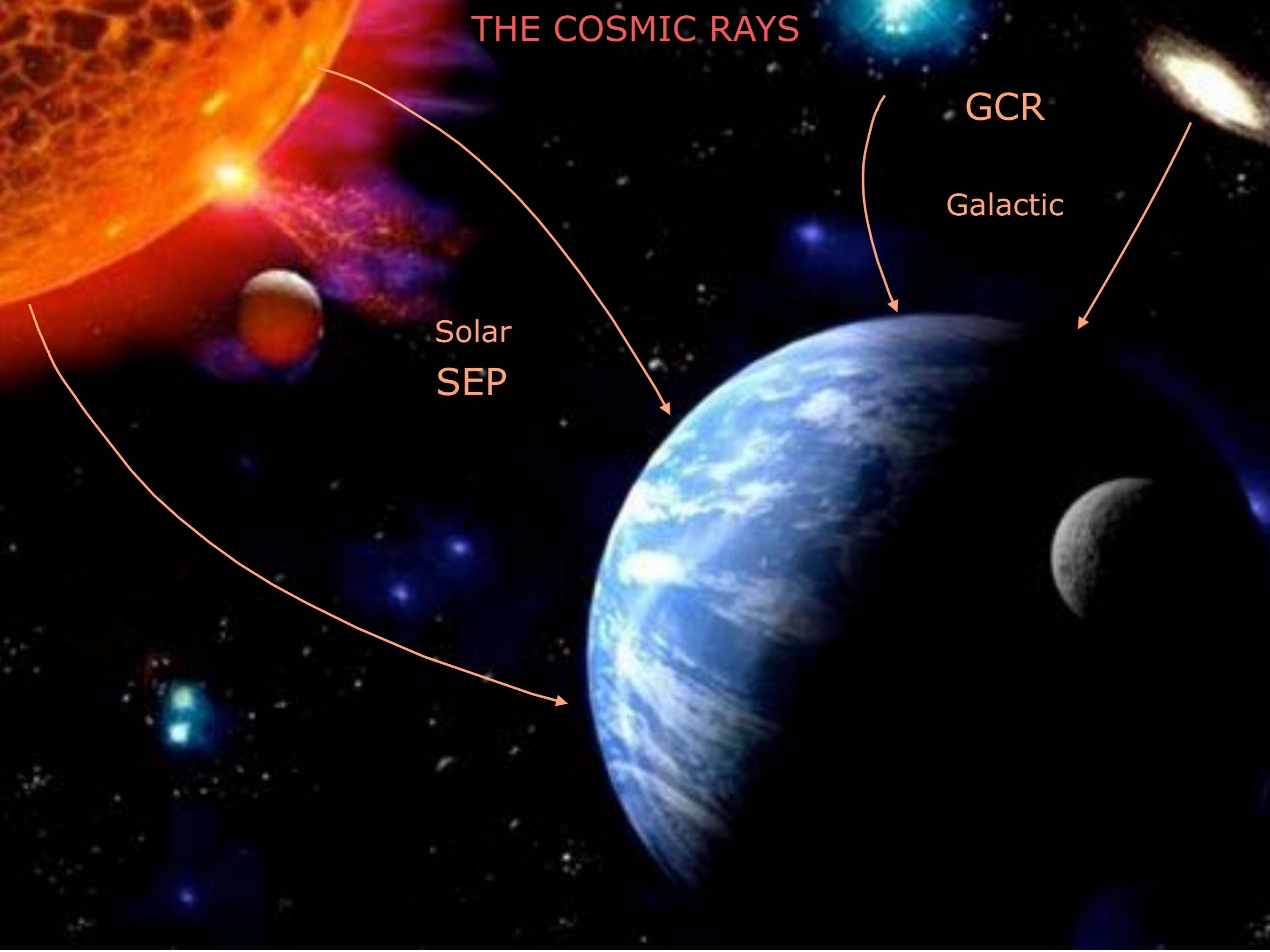
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# THE COSMIC RAYS

Solar  
SEP

GCR

Galactic



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## Primary and Secondary Cosmic Rays

*Primary Cosmic rays*

$E \sim 1$  erg:  
 $1 / (\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{year})$

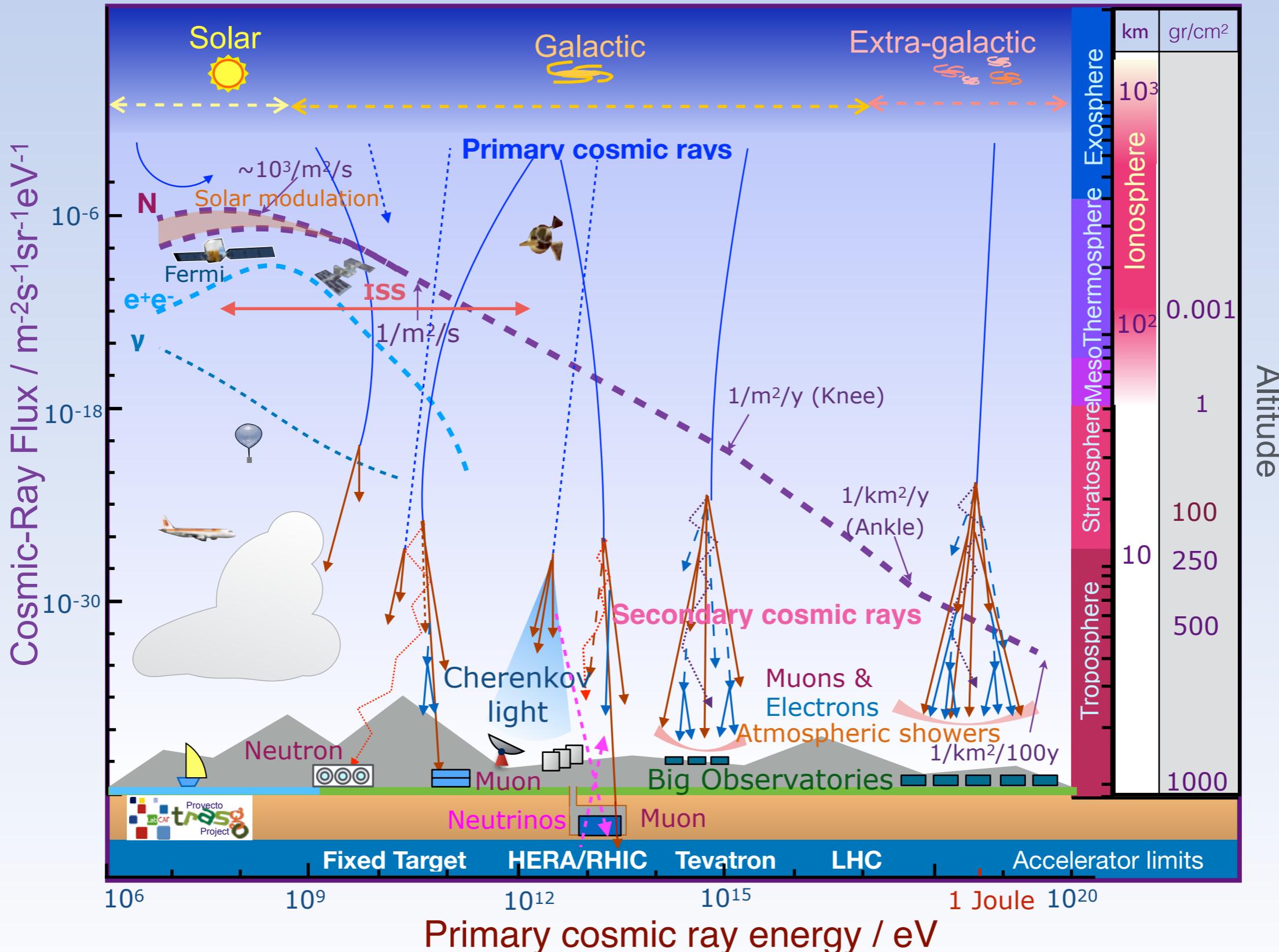
*Secondary Cosmic rays*

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# Primary cosmic ray survey

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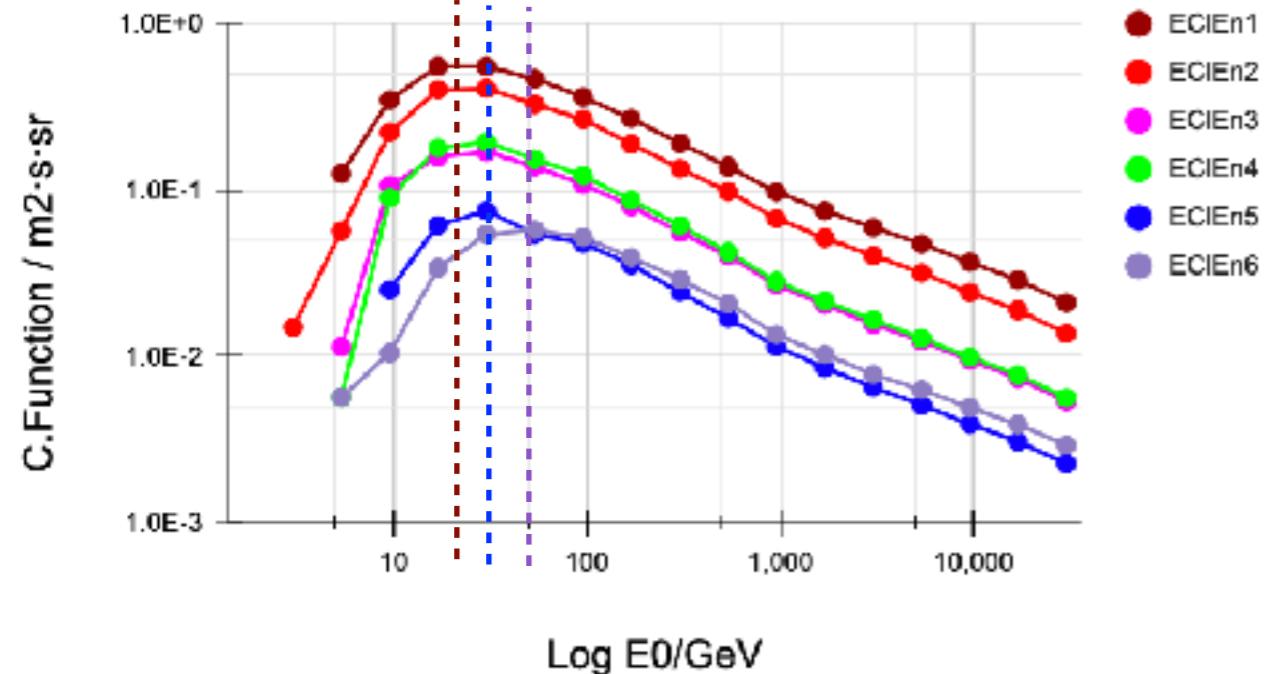
## The primary cosmic ray energy spectrum



# Cluster Analysis

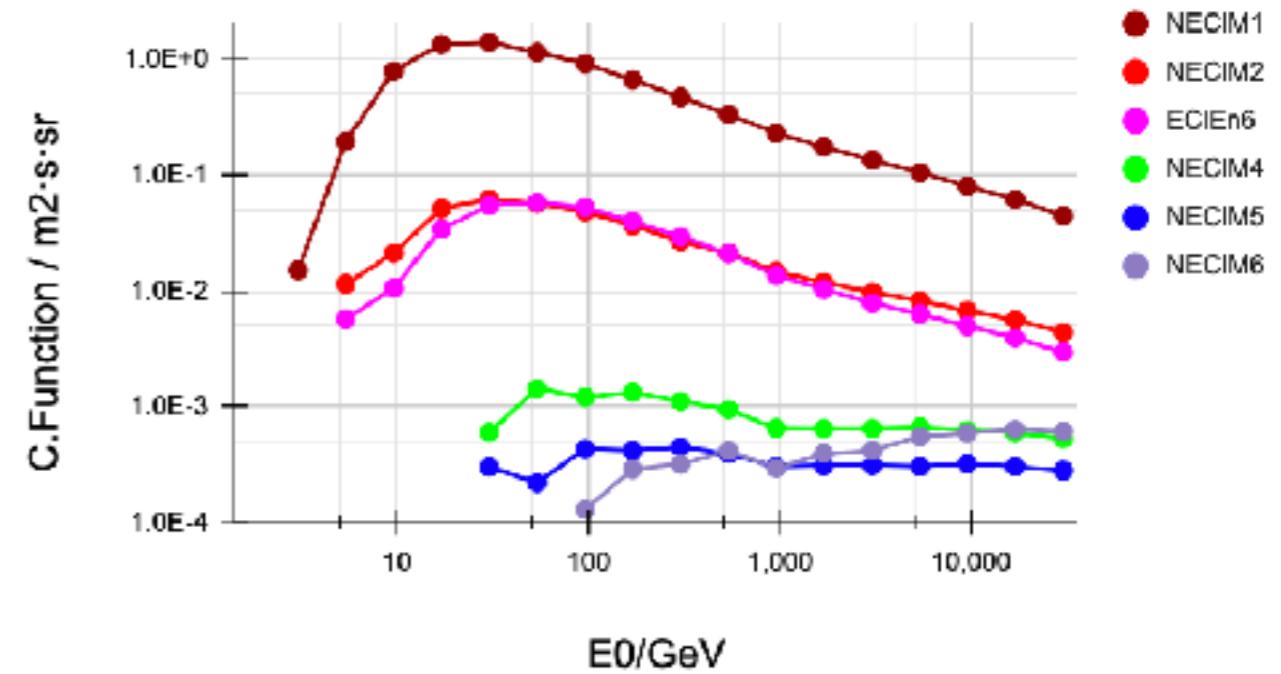
## Coupling functions of electron clusters

Coupling Functions of EClusters Energy (Proton Primary)



Cluster energy

Coupling Functions of EClusters Multiplicity (Proton Primary)

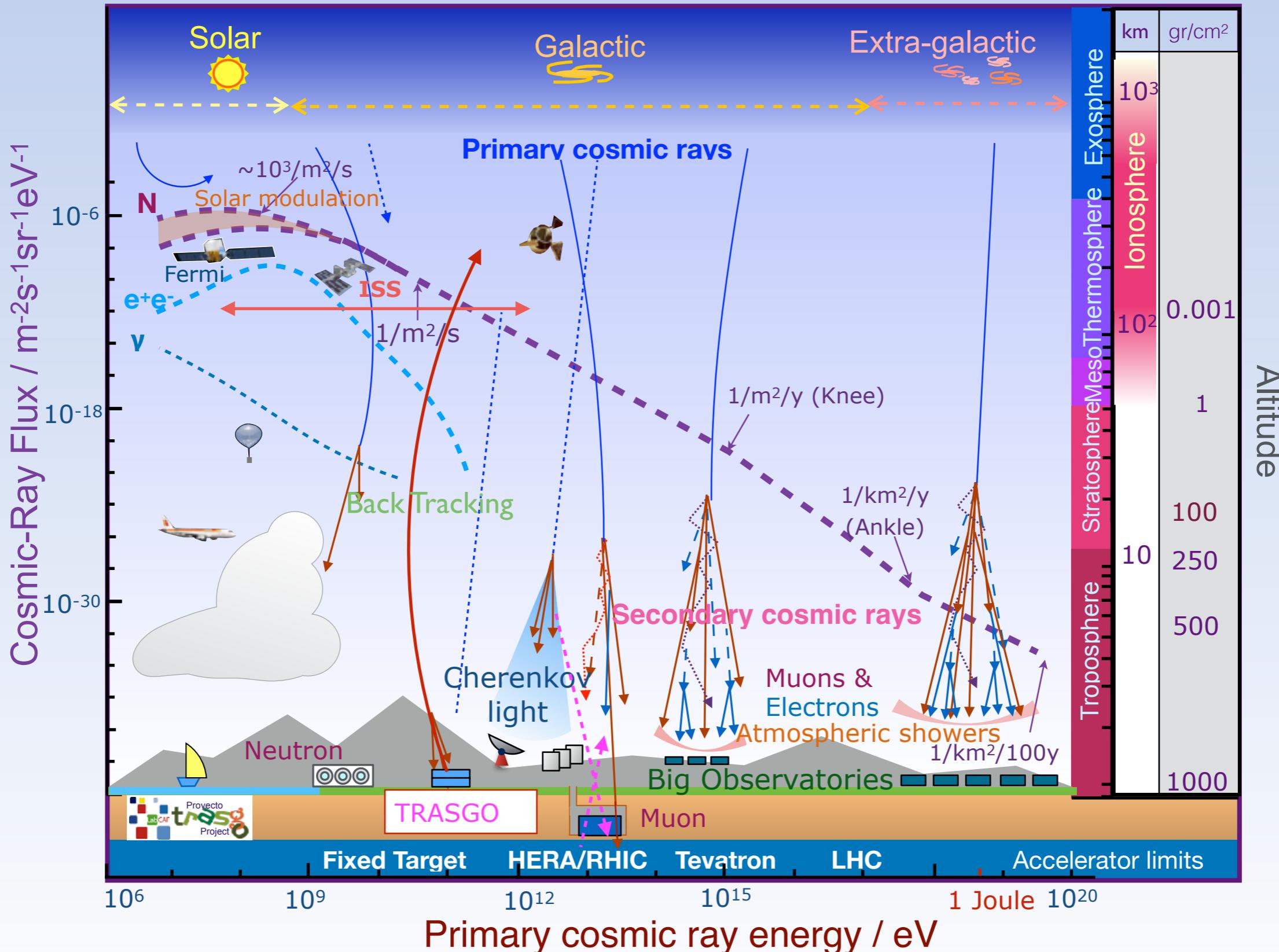


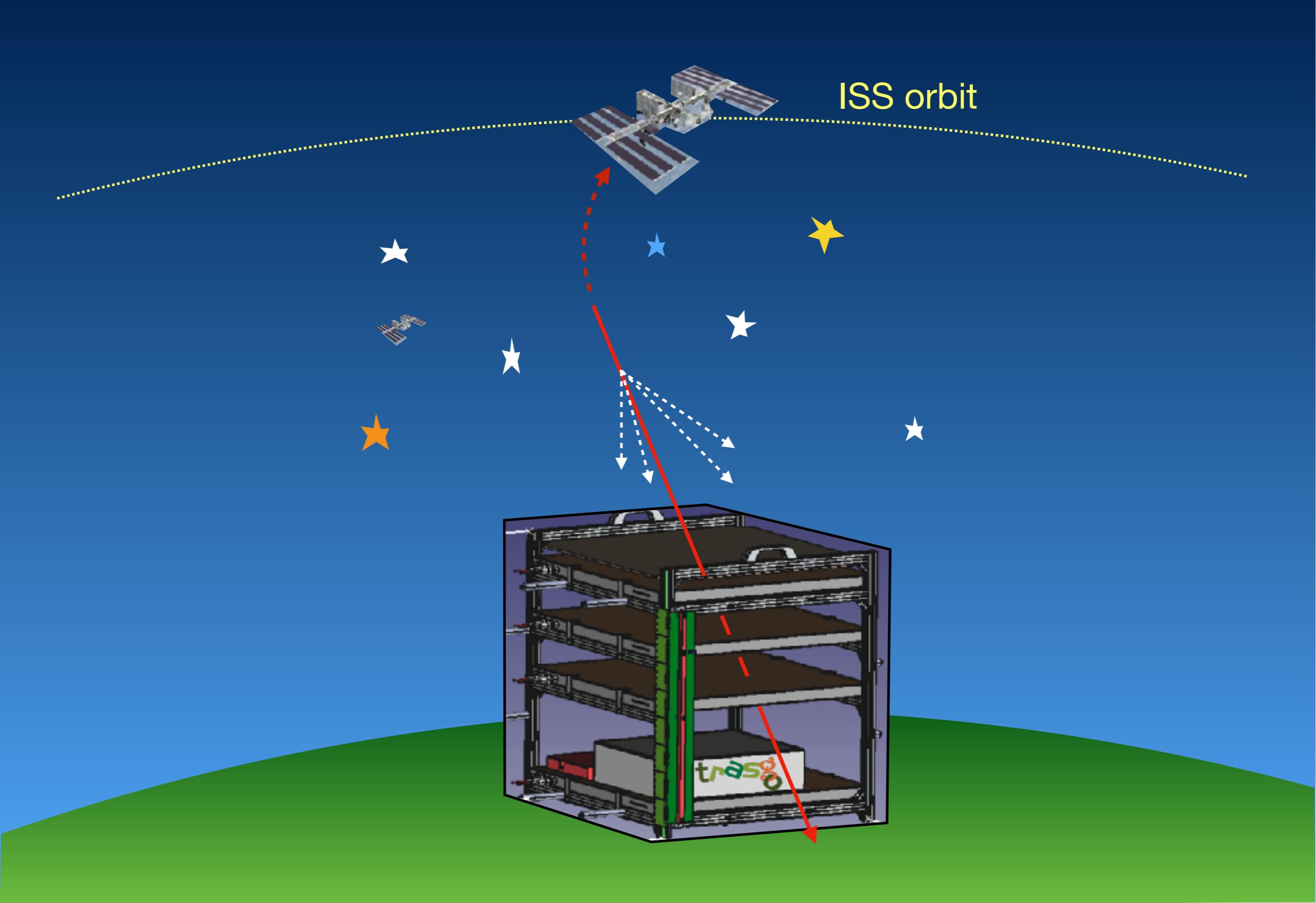
Cluster multiplicity

Electron clusters are sensitive to the energy of the primary cosmic ray

# THE COSMIC RAYS

## The primary cosmic ray energy spectrum





# MonteCarlo Improvement

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KARLSRUHER INSTITUT FÜR TECHNOLOGIE (KIT)

**Extensive Air Shower Simulation  
with CORSIKA:  
A User's Guide  
(Version 7.7420 from May 20, 2022)**

D. Heck and T. Pierog

Institut für Astroteilchenphysik

# AIRES

## A system for air shower simulations

**User's guide and reference manual**

**Version 19.04.08**

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# MonteCarlo Improvement

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Which high energy hadronic interaction model do you want to use ?  
1 - DPMJET-III (2017.1) with PHOJET 1.20.0  
2 - EPOS LHC  
3 - NEXUS 3.97  
4 - QGSJET 01C (enlarged commons) [CACHED]  
5 - QGSJETIII-04  
6 - SIBYLL 2.3d  
7 - VENUS 4.12  
  
r - restart (reset all options to cached values)  
x - exit make  
  
(only one choice possible):  
SELECTED : QGSJET01  
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Which low energy hadronic interaction model do you want to use ?  
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2 - FLUKA-CERN  
3 - FLUKA-INFN  
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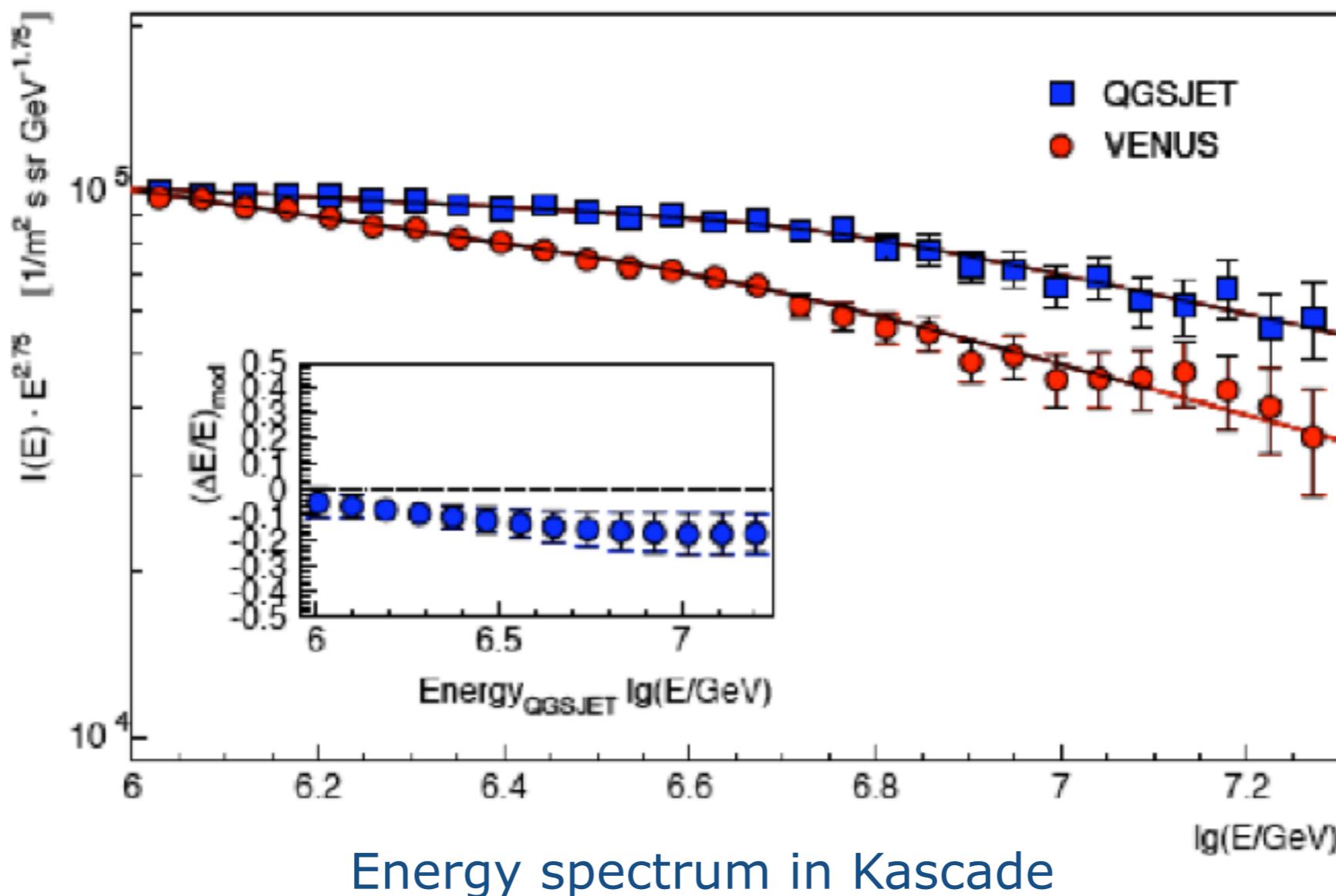
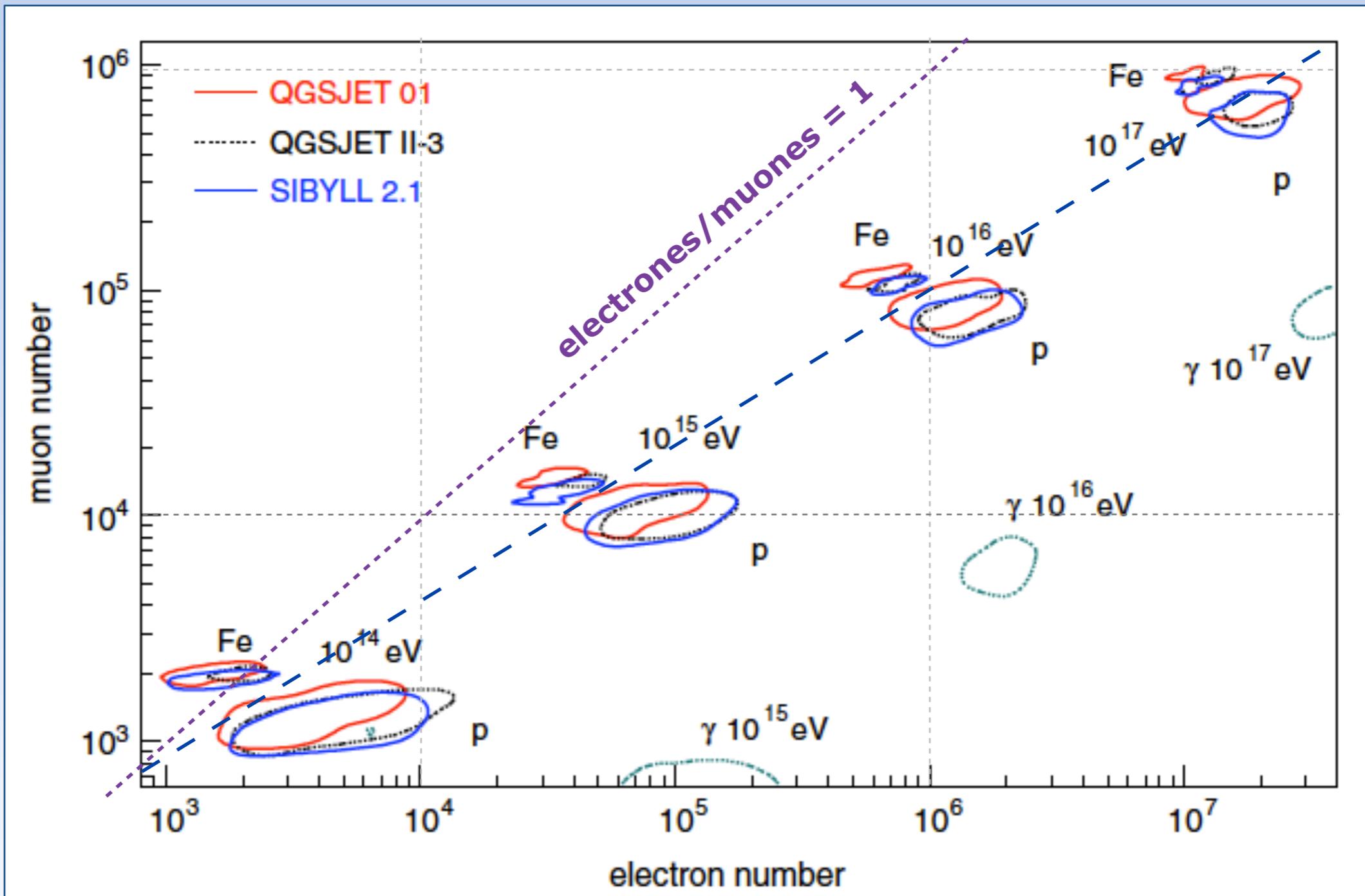


Figure 10: All particle spectrum resulting from a non-parametric analysis of KASCADE data [1]

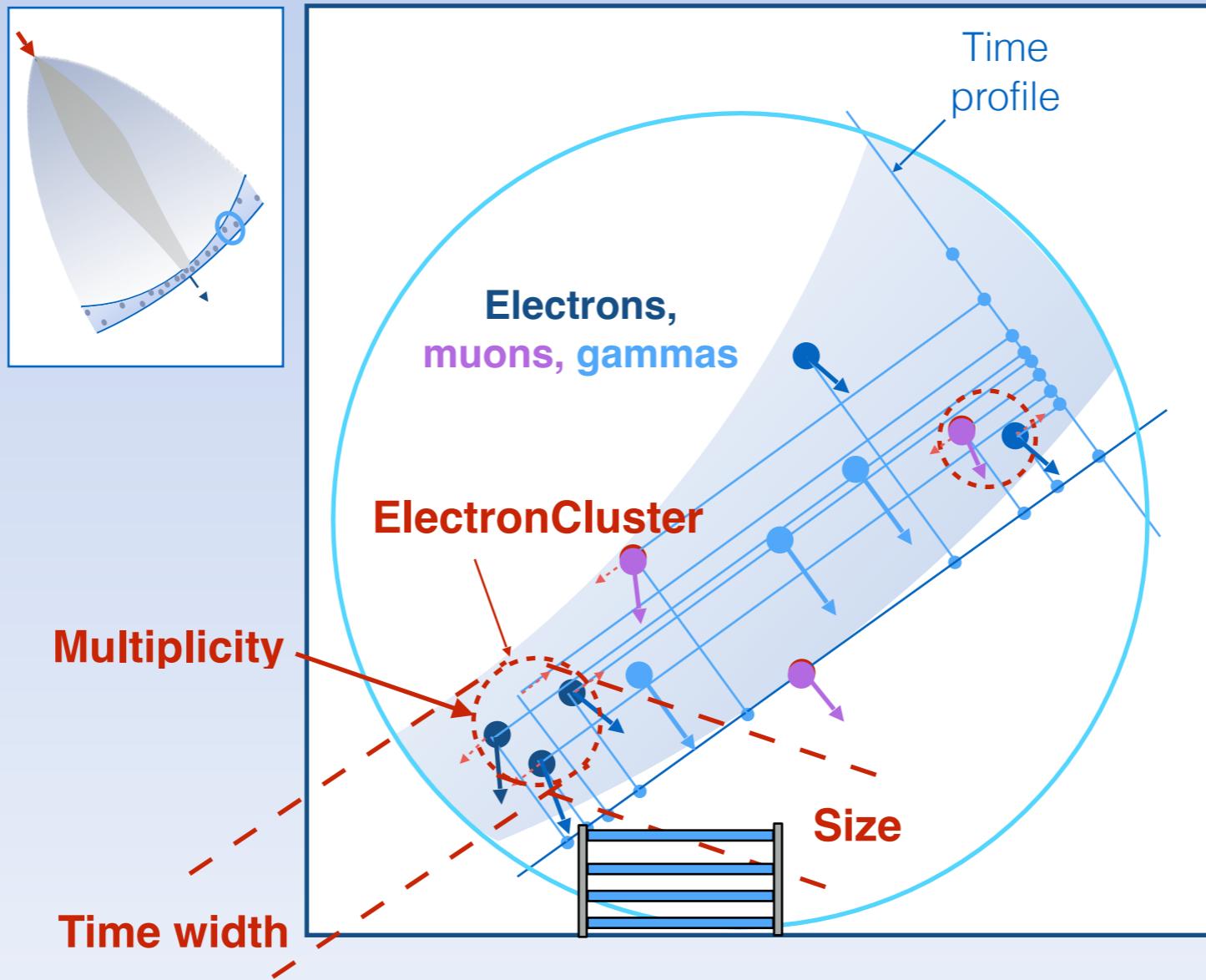
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## The mass problem



Different interaction models predict different electron/muon ratios

# MonteCarlo Improvement



Muon and electron rates, energy and angular distributions and cluster multiplicity rates can be compared with the ones predicted by different MonteCarlo models to test the strength and the weakness of each model

\*TRAsGo for the AnaLysis of the nuclear matter Decay, the Atmosphere, the earth B-field And the Solar activity

# Solar Physics and Space Weather

# Solar Physics

Solar flares

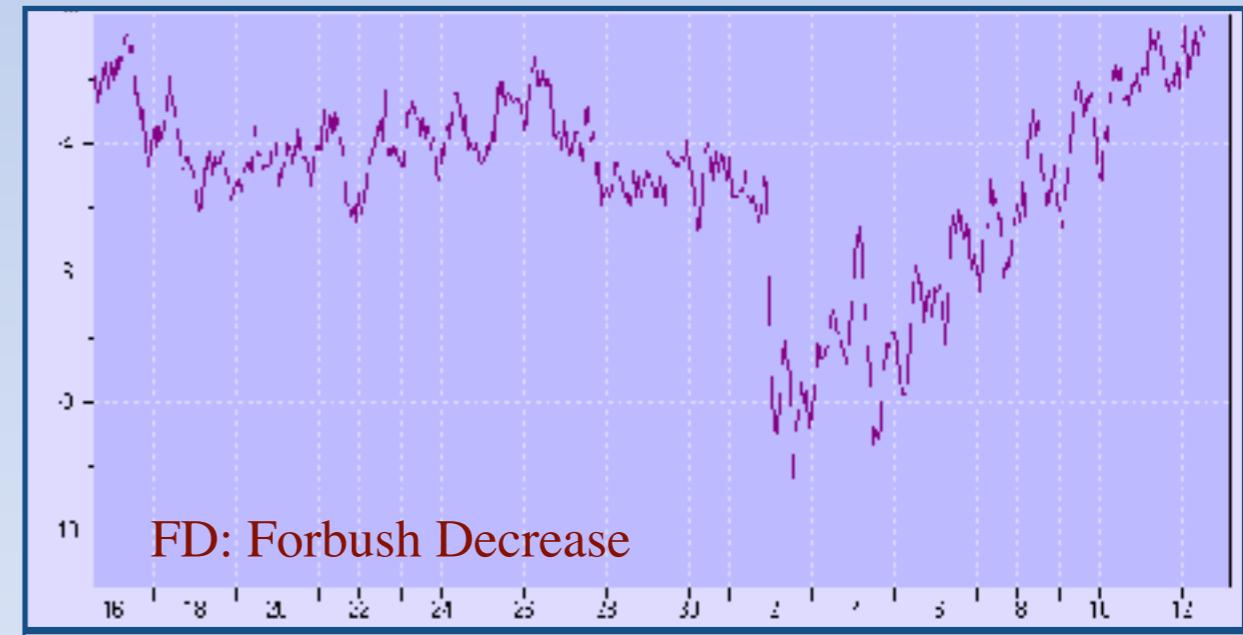
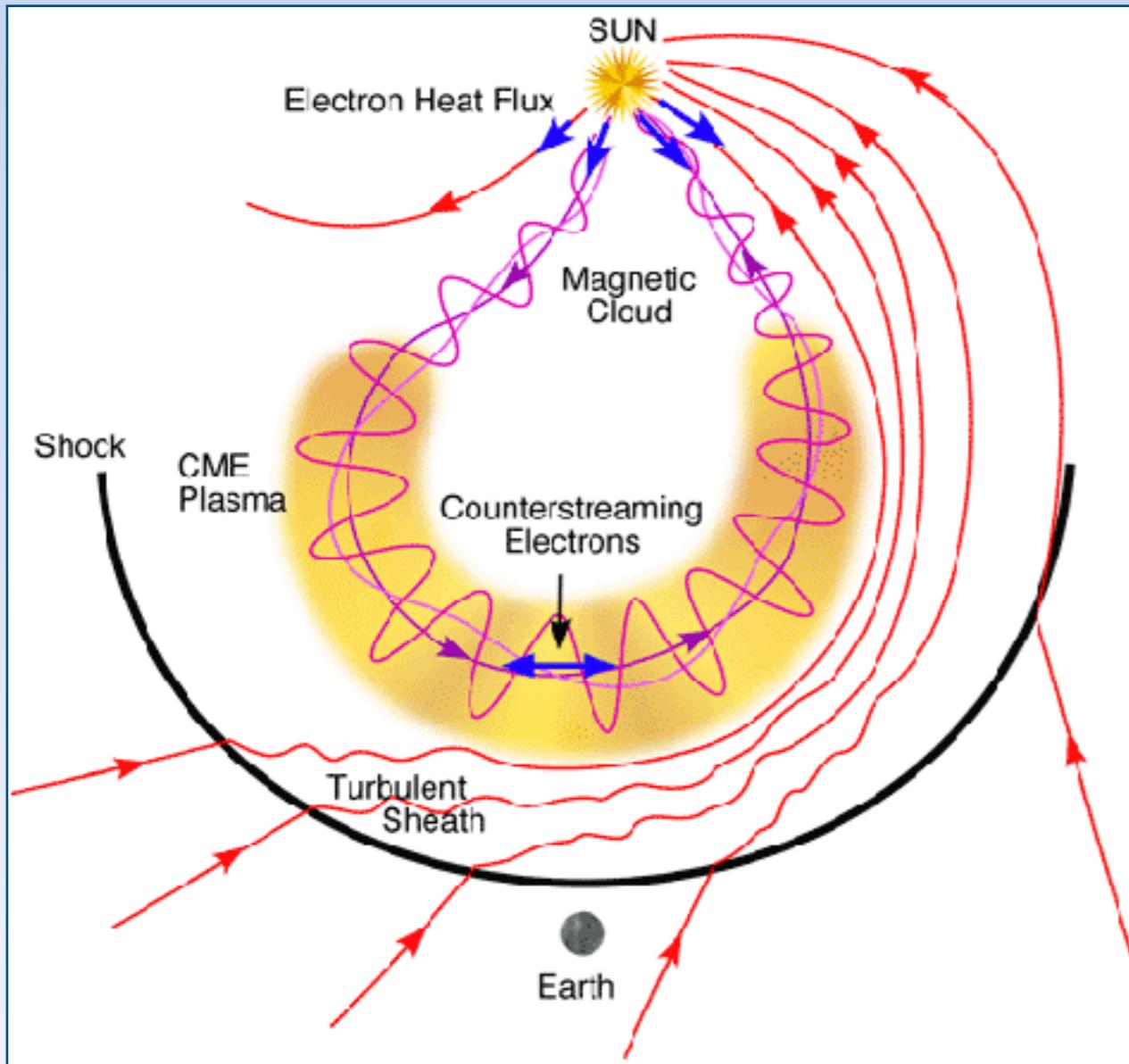
Solar wind and solar plasma clouds

Auroras

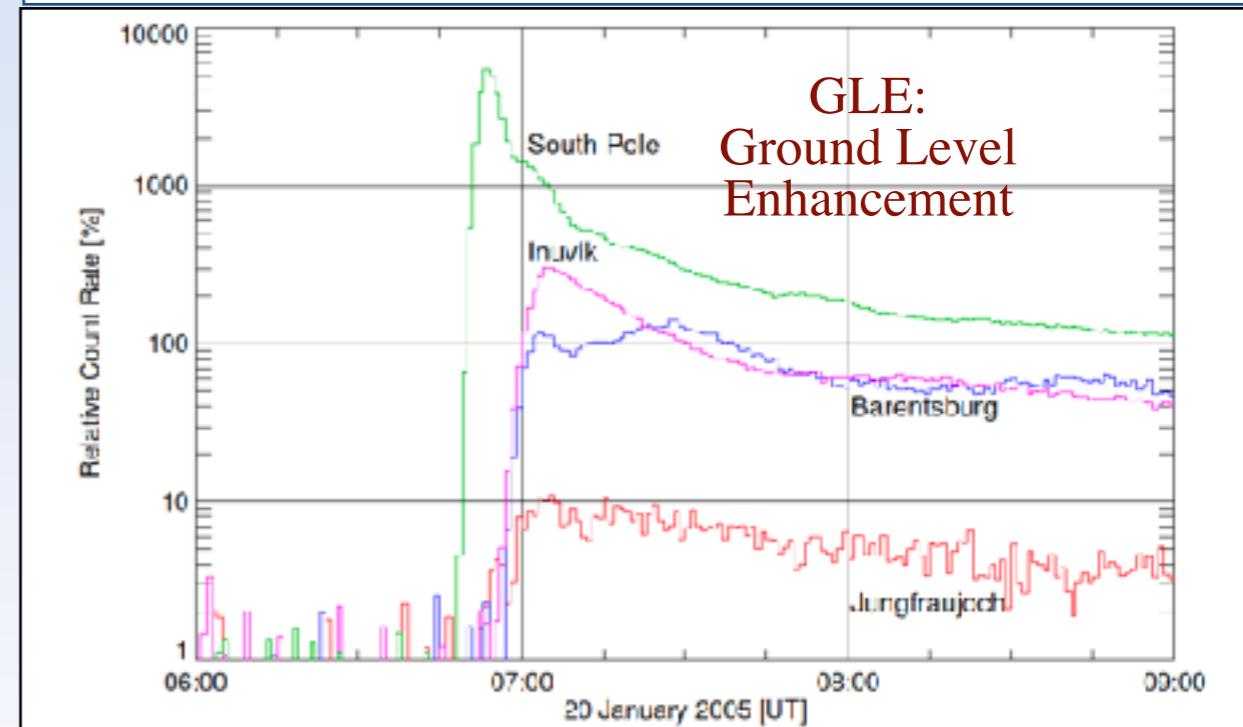


# Solar Physics

## Sudden Flux variations



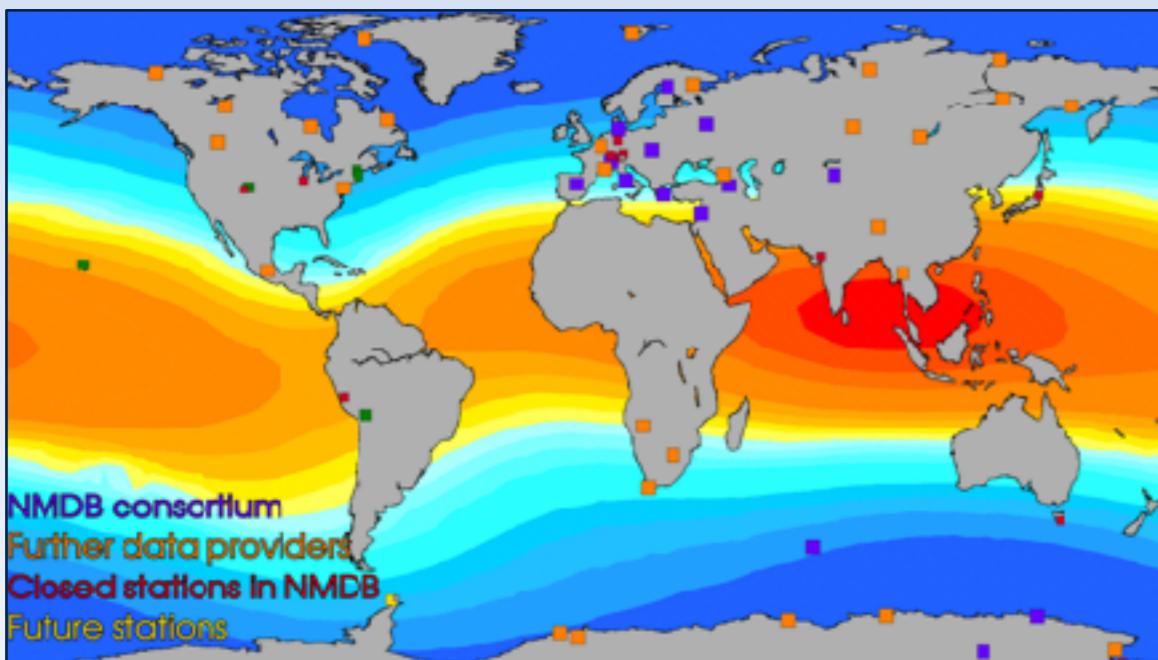
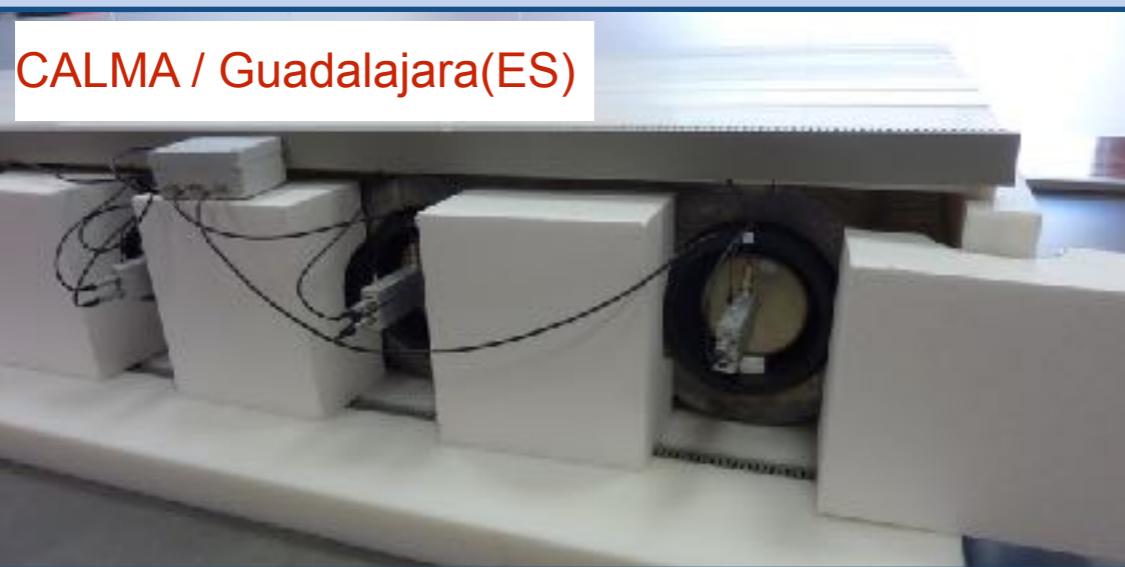
The plasma cloud can screen the cosmic ray background producing a Forbush Decrease



Solar high energetic particles ( $E > 1\text{GeV}$ ) break through the Earth magnetic field and be detected on the ground

# Solar Physics

## Neutron monitors

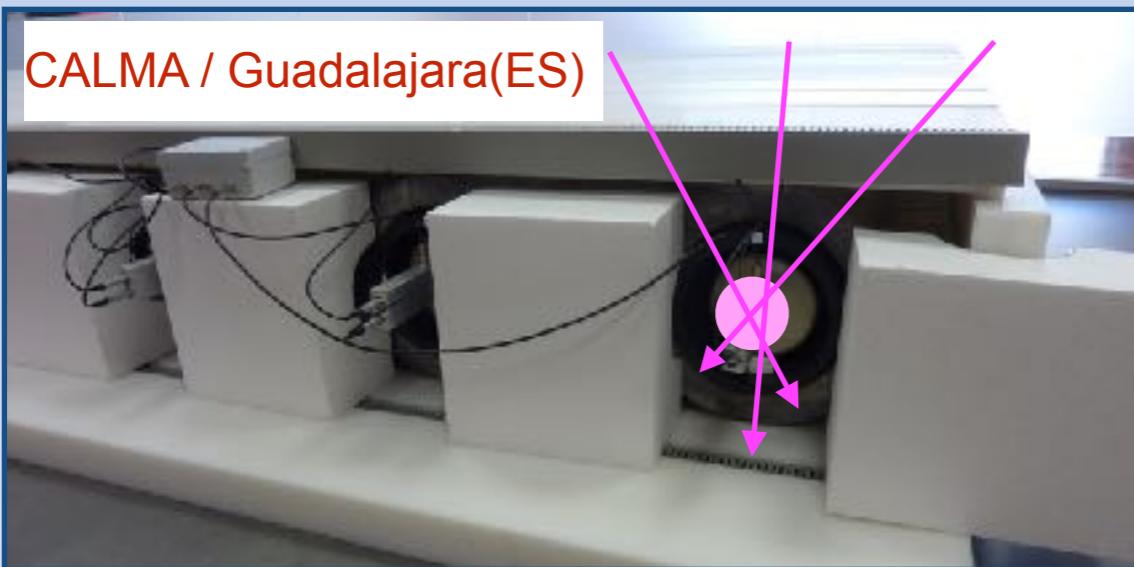


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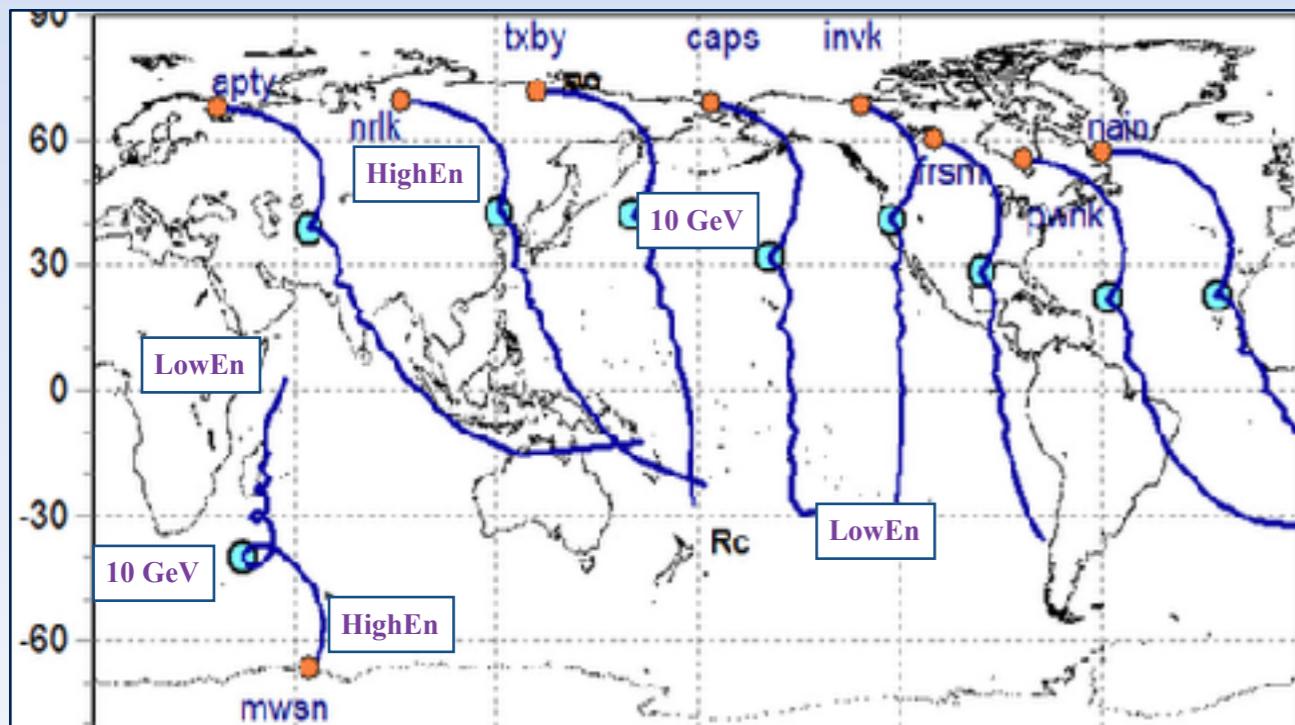


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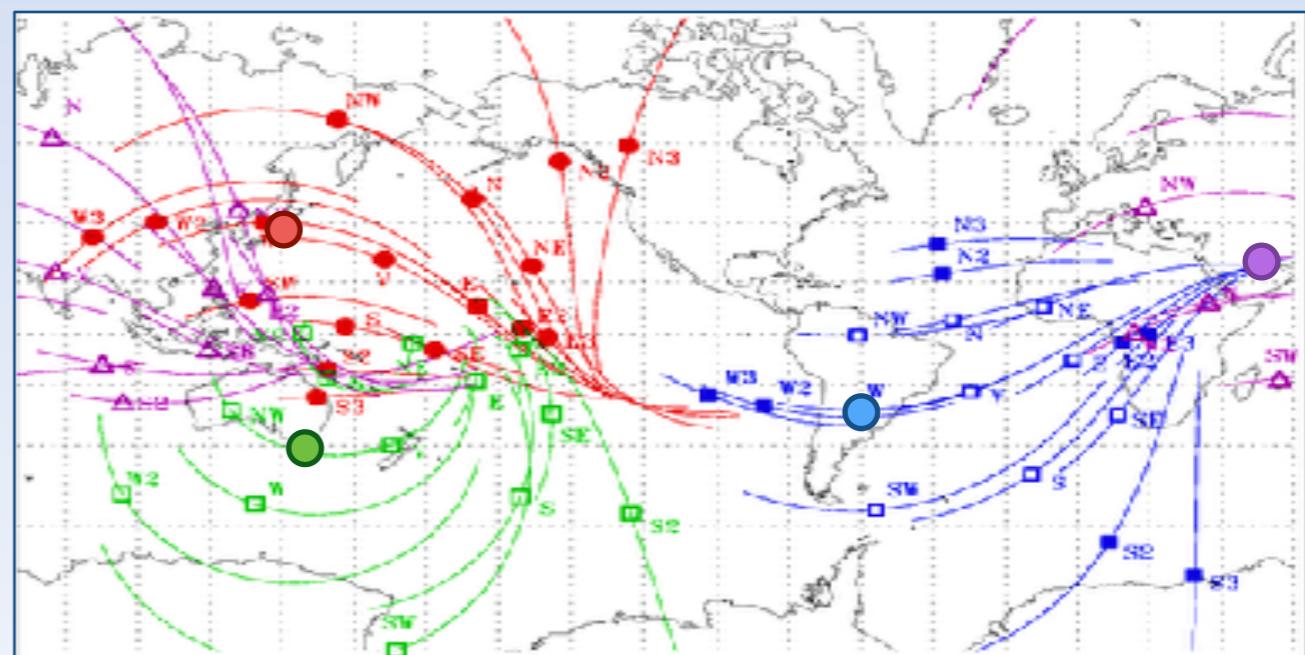
## Neutron monitors



## Muon directional telescopes



Asymptotic directions of some detectors for vertically incident particles of different energies.

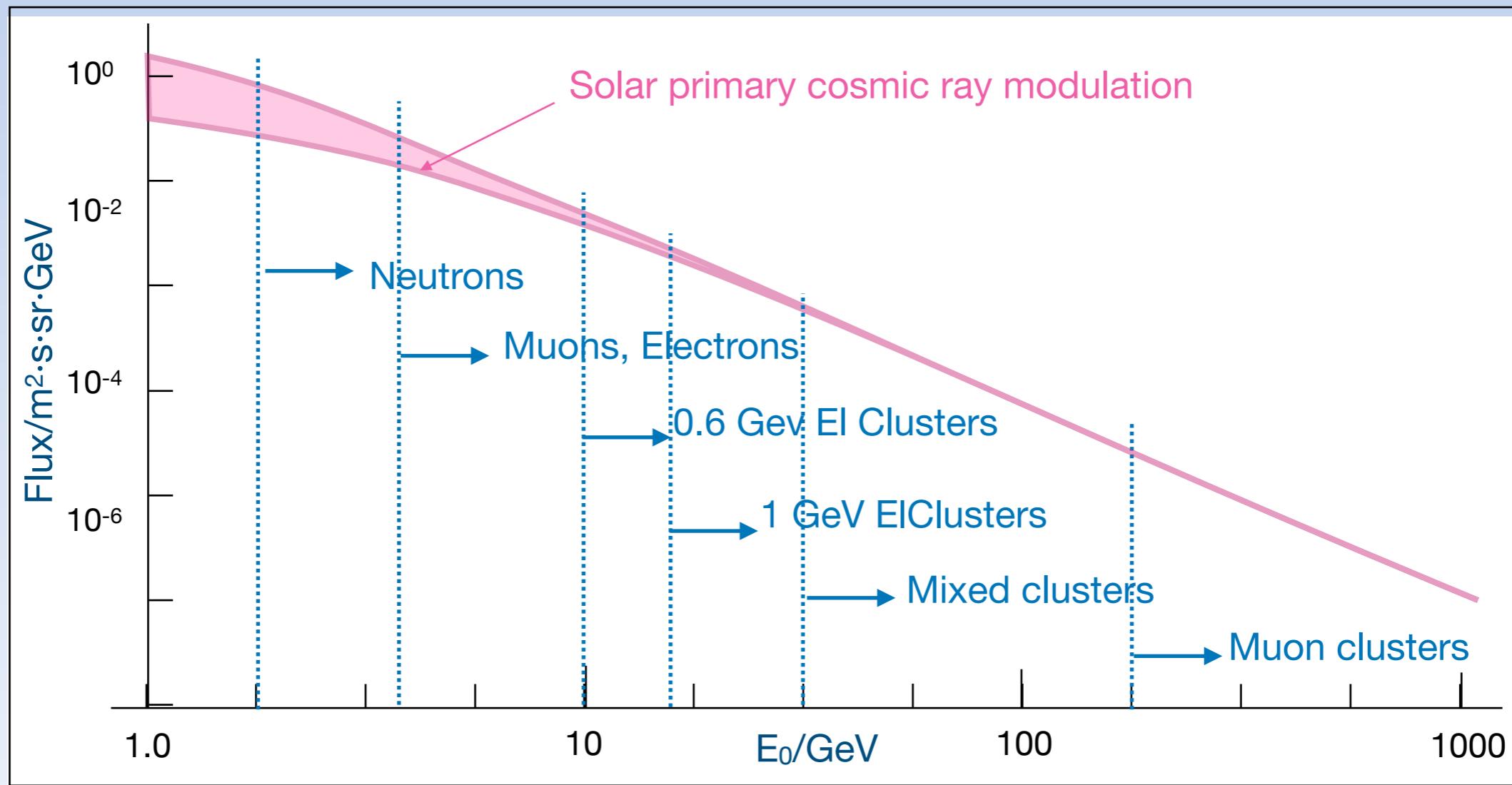


Asymptotic viewing directions available in the current GMDN. Each symbol indicates the asymptotic viewing direction of a particle incident to one of 60 directional channels available from the GMDN.

Both, neutron monitors and muon telescopes are insensitive to the energy of the primary cosmic ray and both are “unfocused”.

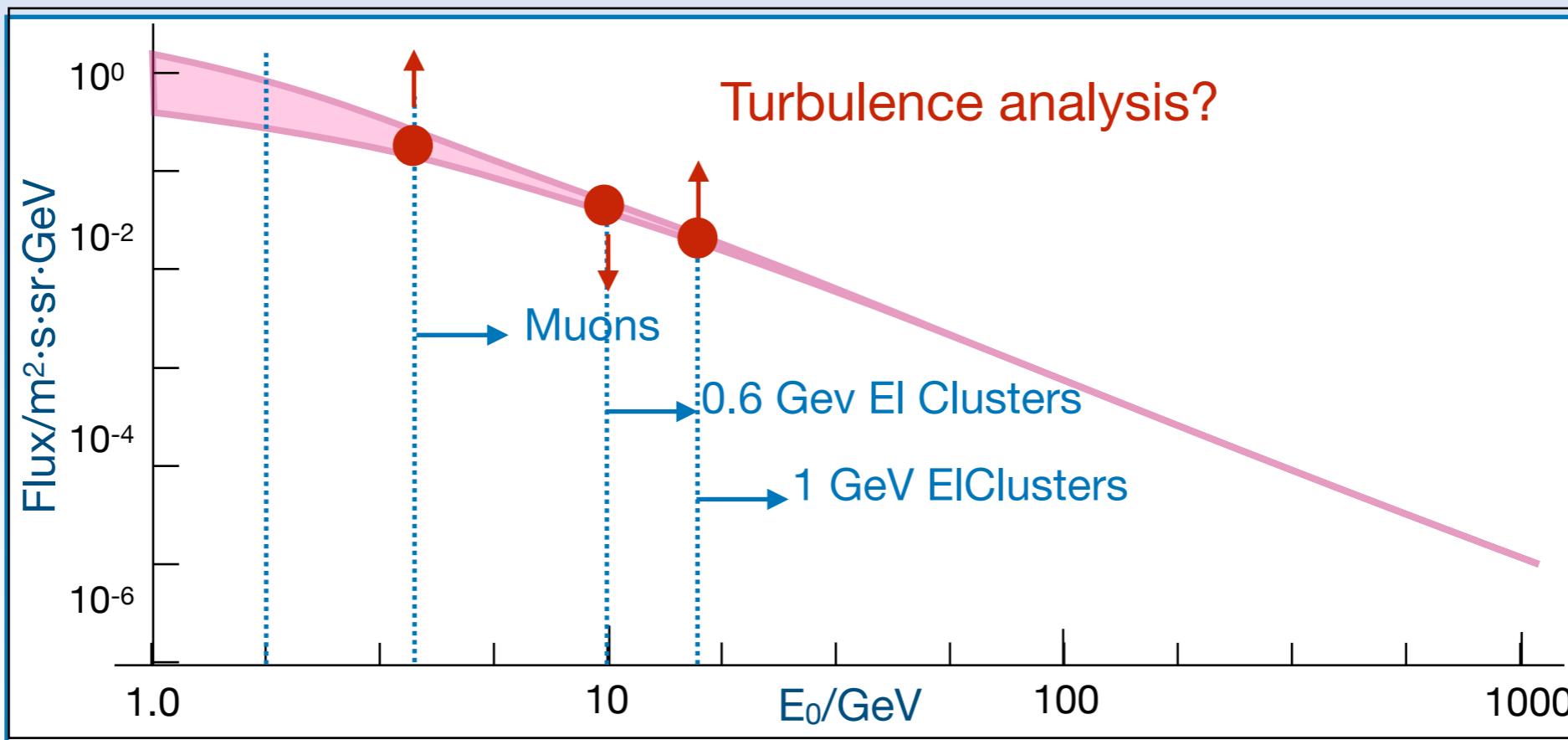
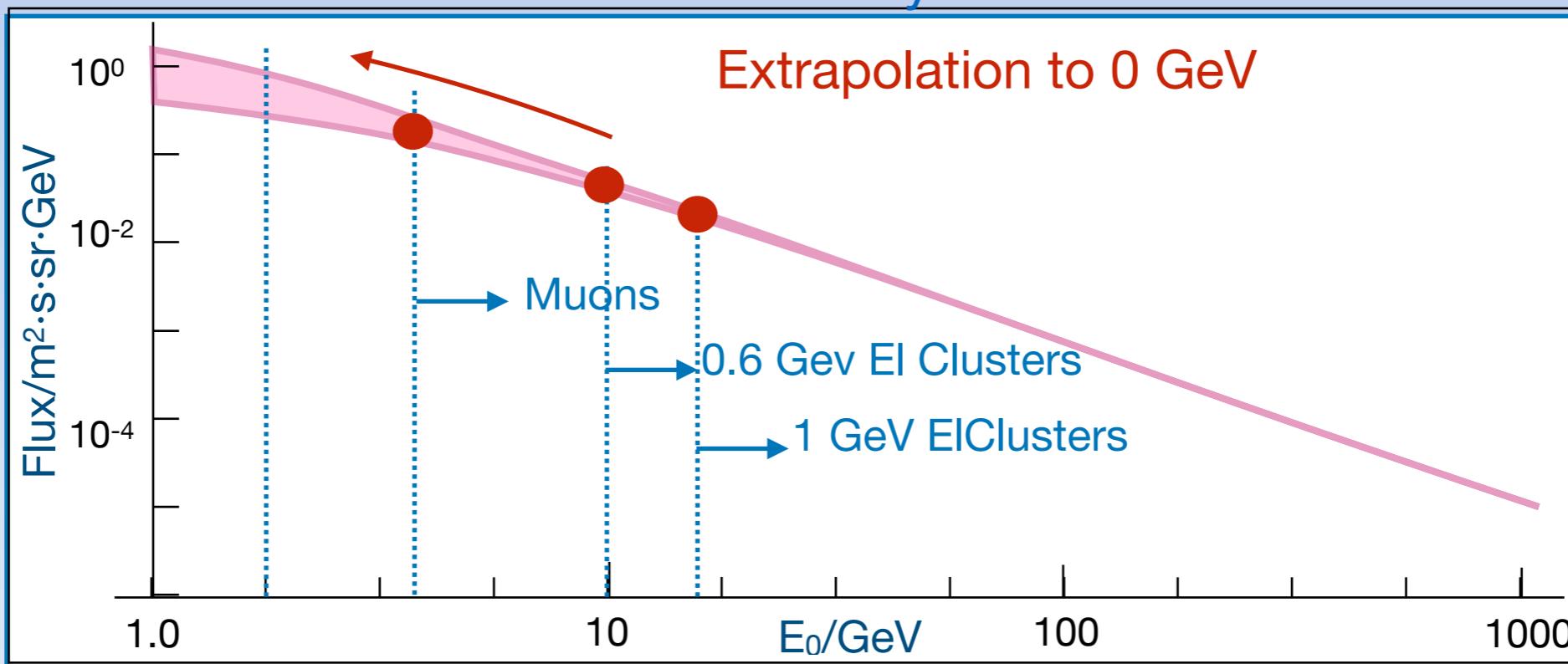
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## Summary



Threshold energies for different particles and clusters ( $S \sim 1.8 \text{ m}^2$ )

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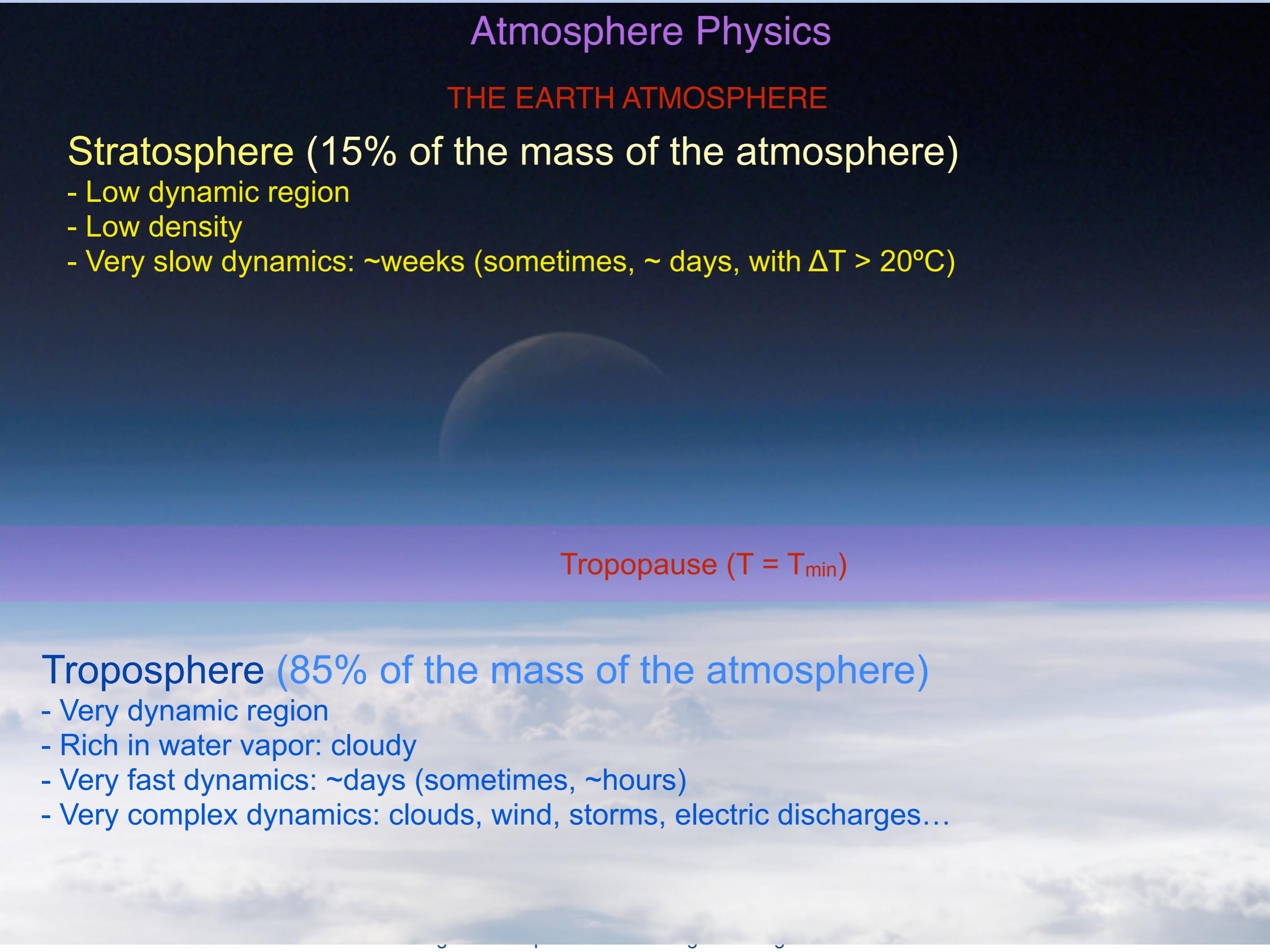
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## THE EARTH ATMOSPHERE

### Stratosphere (15% of the mass of the atmosphere)

- Low dynamic region
- Low density
- Very slow dynamics: ~weeks (sometimes, ~ days, with  $\Delta T > 20^\circ\text{C}$ )



Tropopause ( $T = T_{\min}$ )

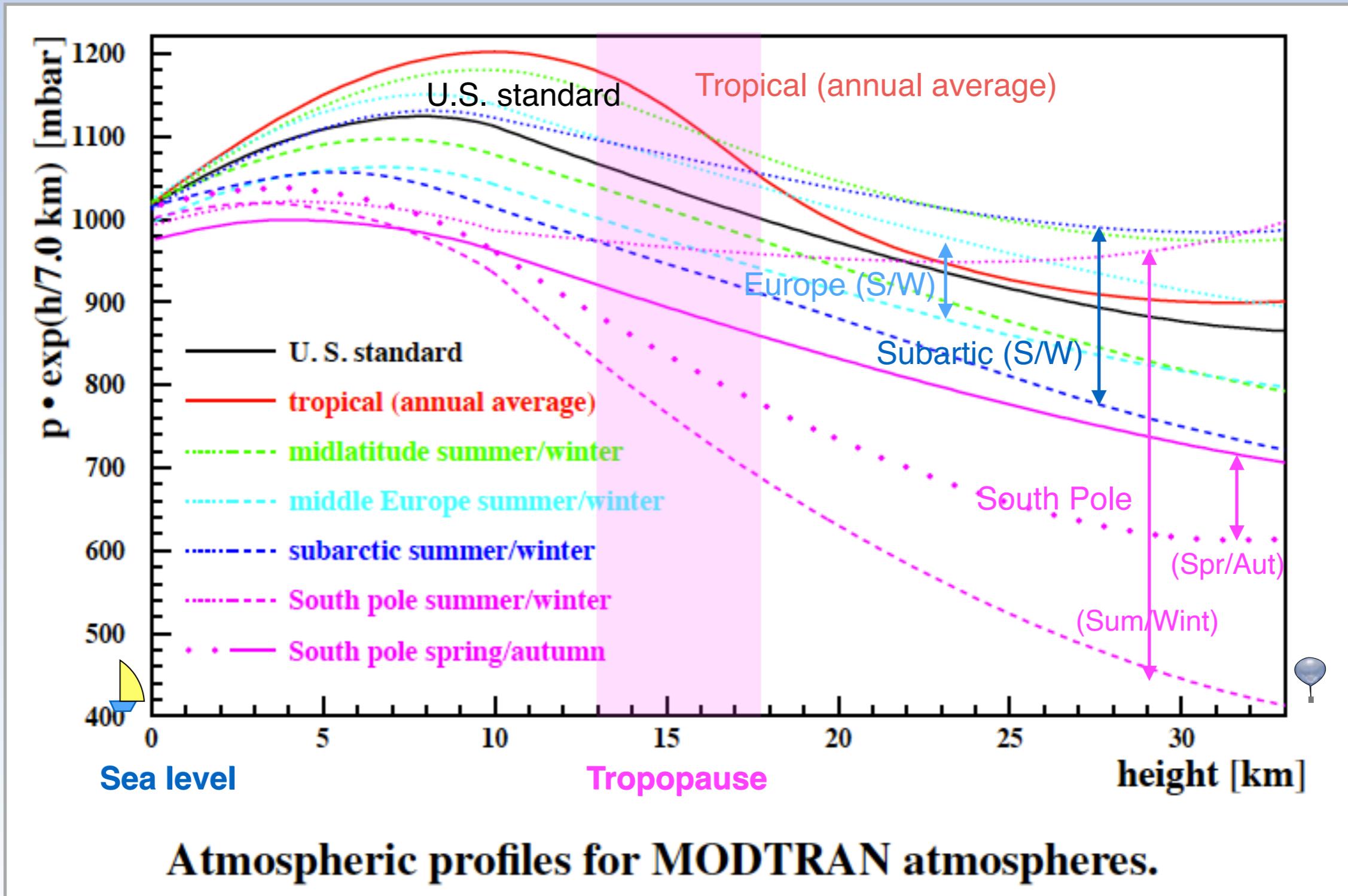
### Troposphere (85% of the mass of the atmosphere)

- Very dynamic region
- Rich in water vapor: cloudy
- Very fast dynamics: ~days (sometimes, ~hours)
- Very complex dynamics: clouds, wind, storms, electric discharges...

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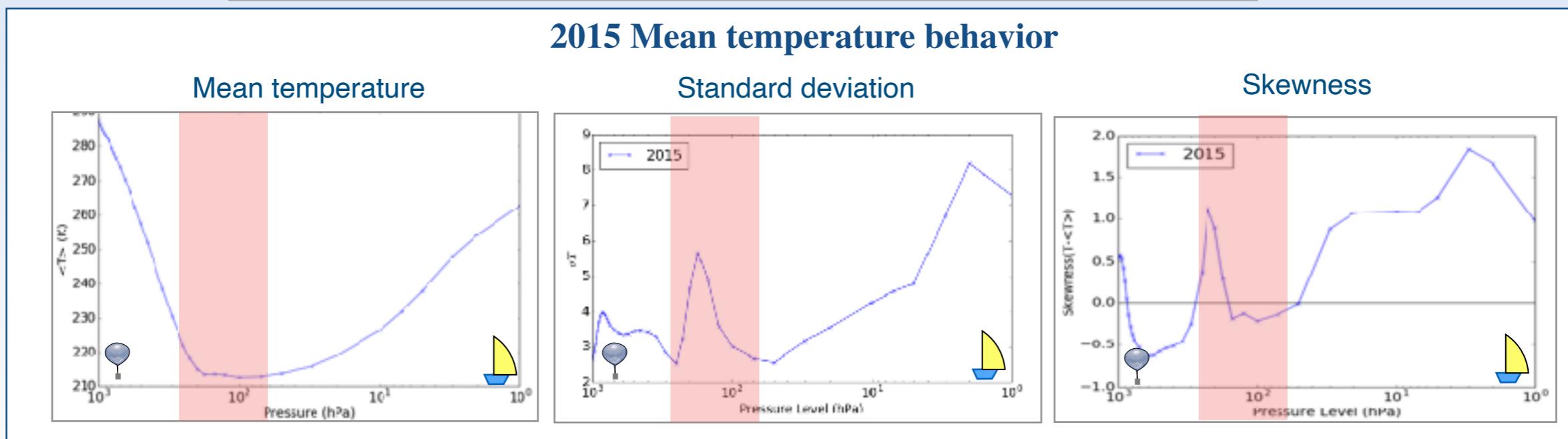
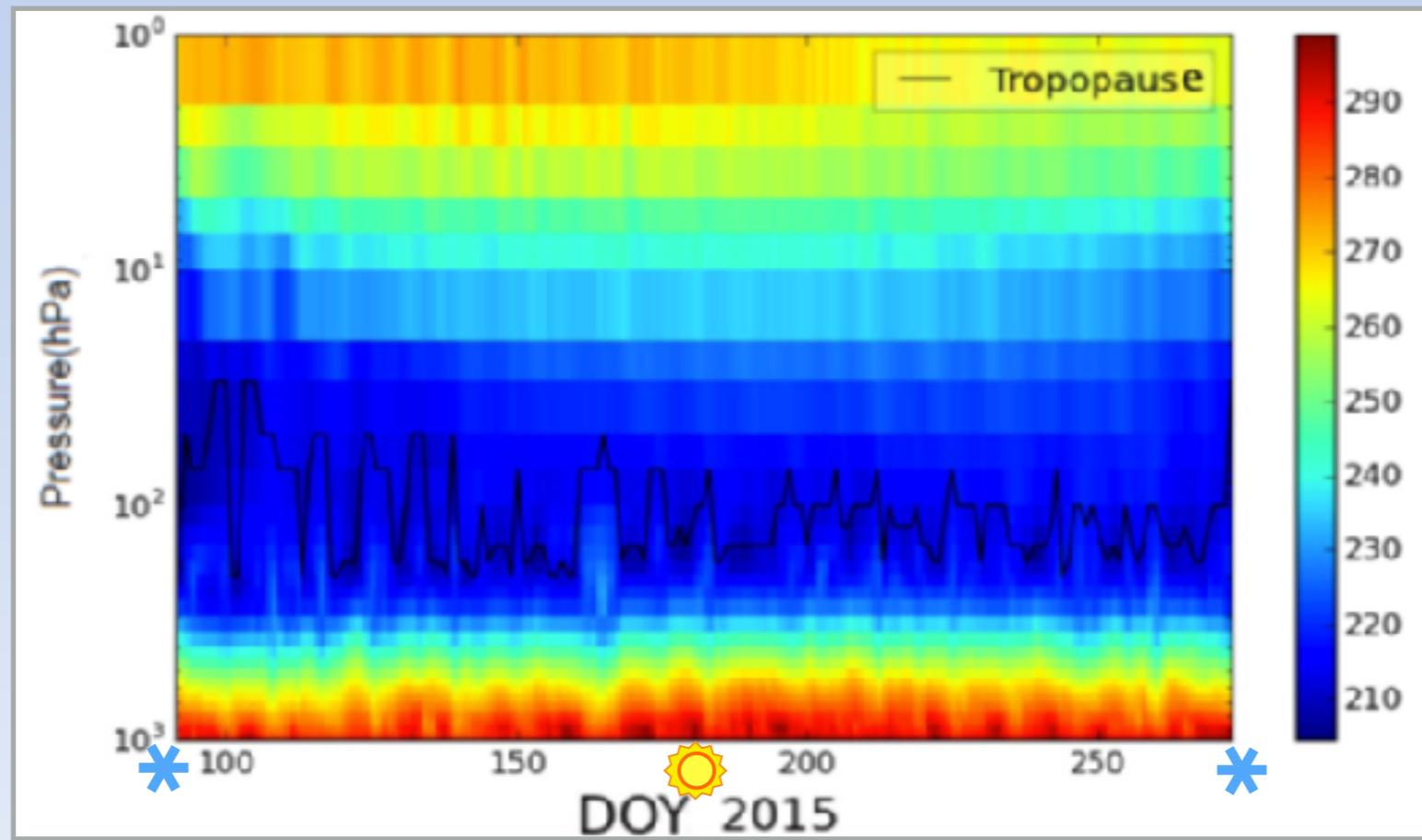
## THE EARTH ATMOSPHERE

The atmosphere: pressure profiles at different latitudes and regions



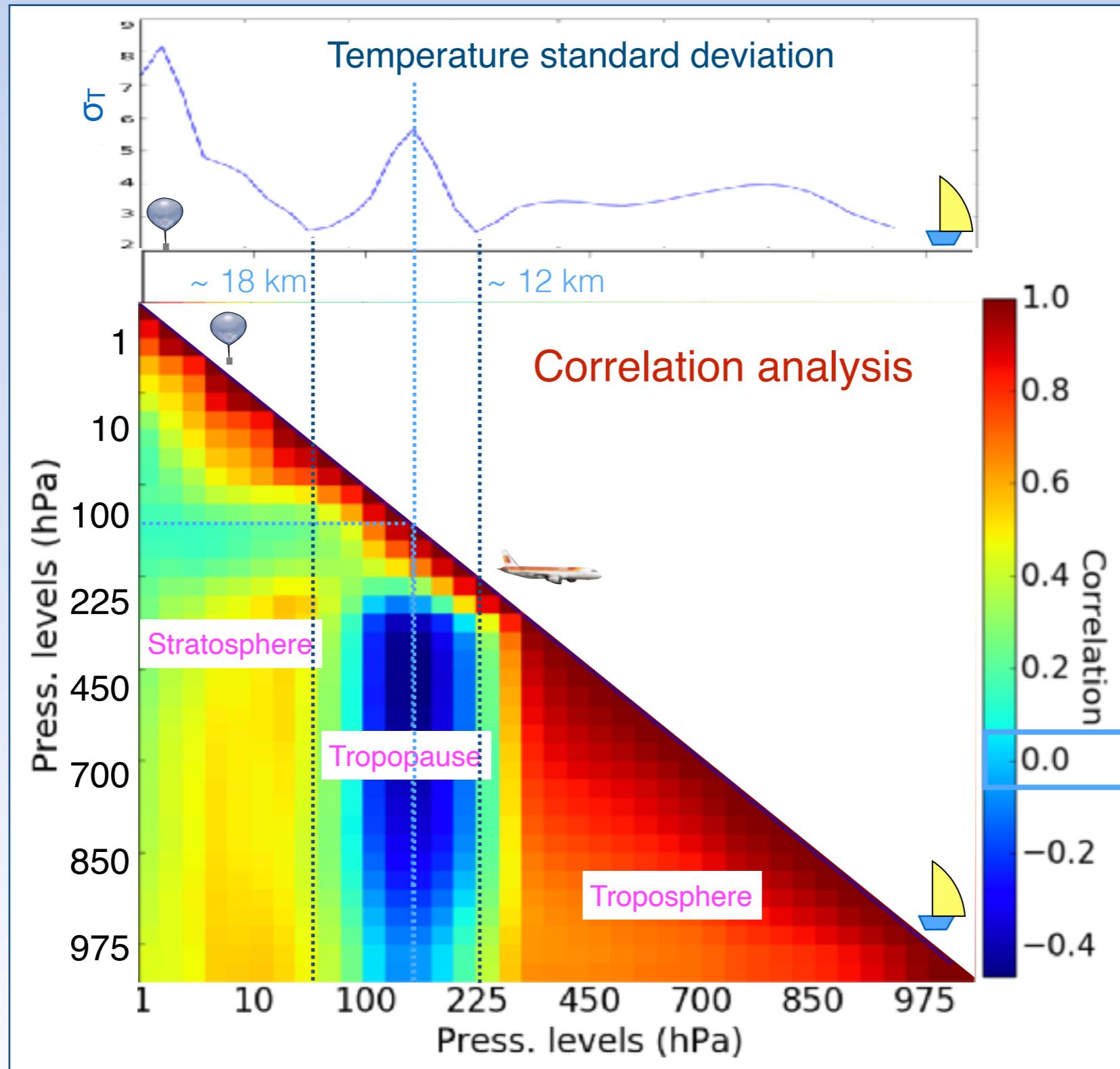
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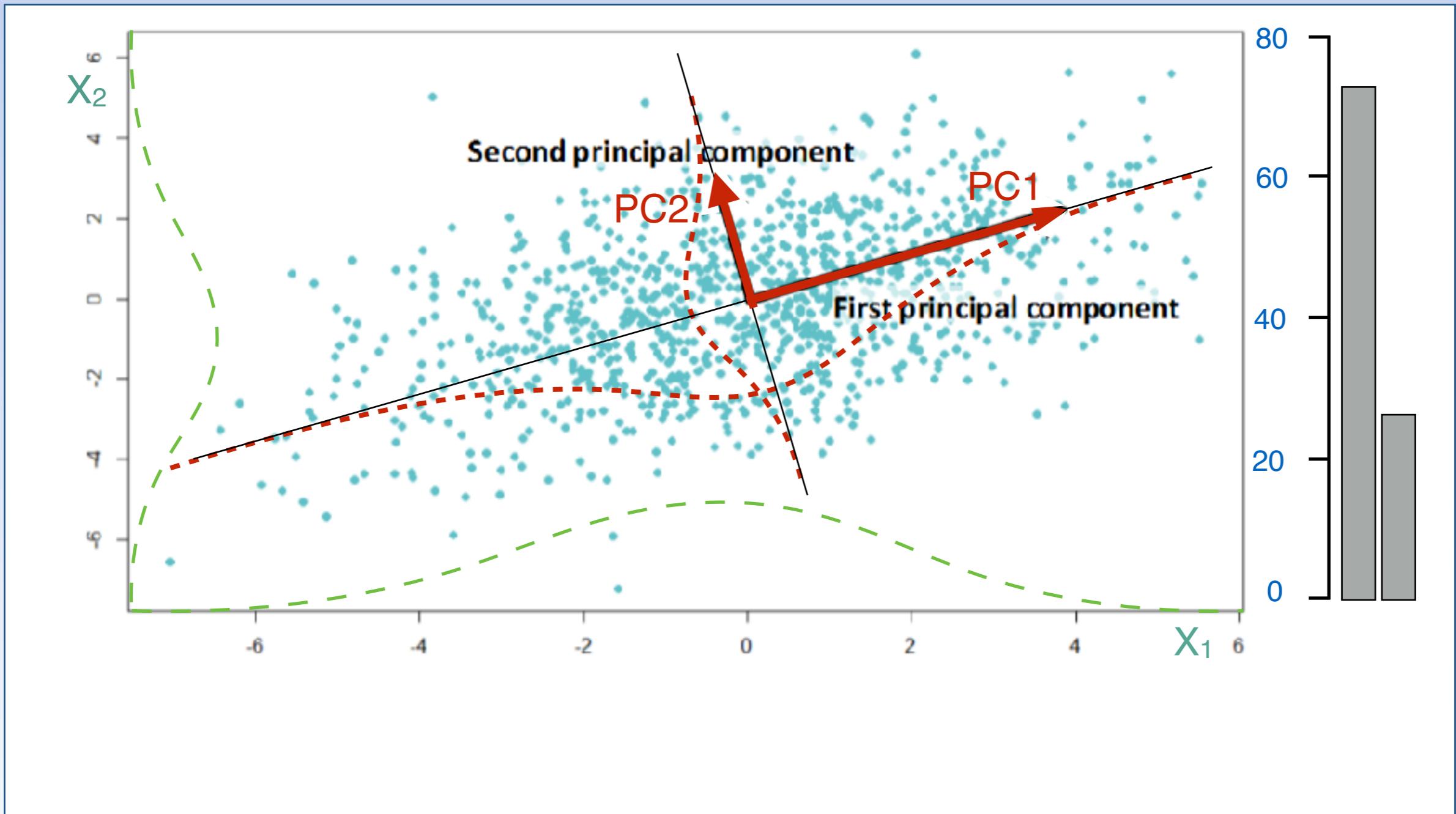
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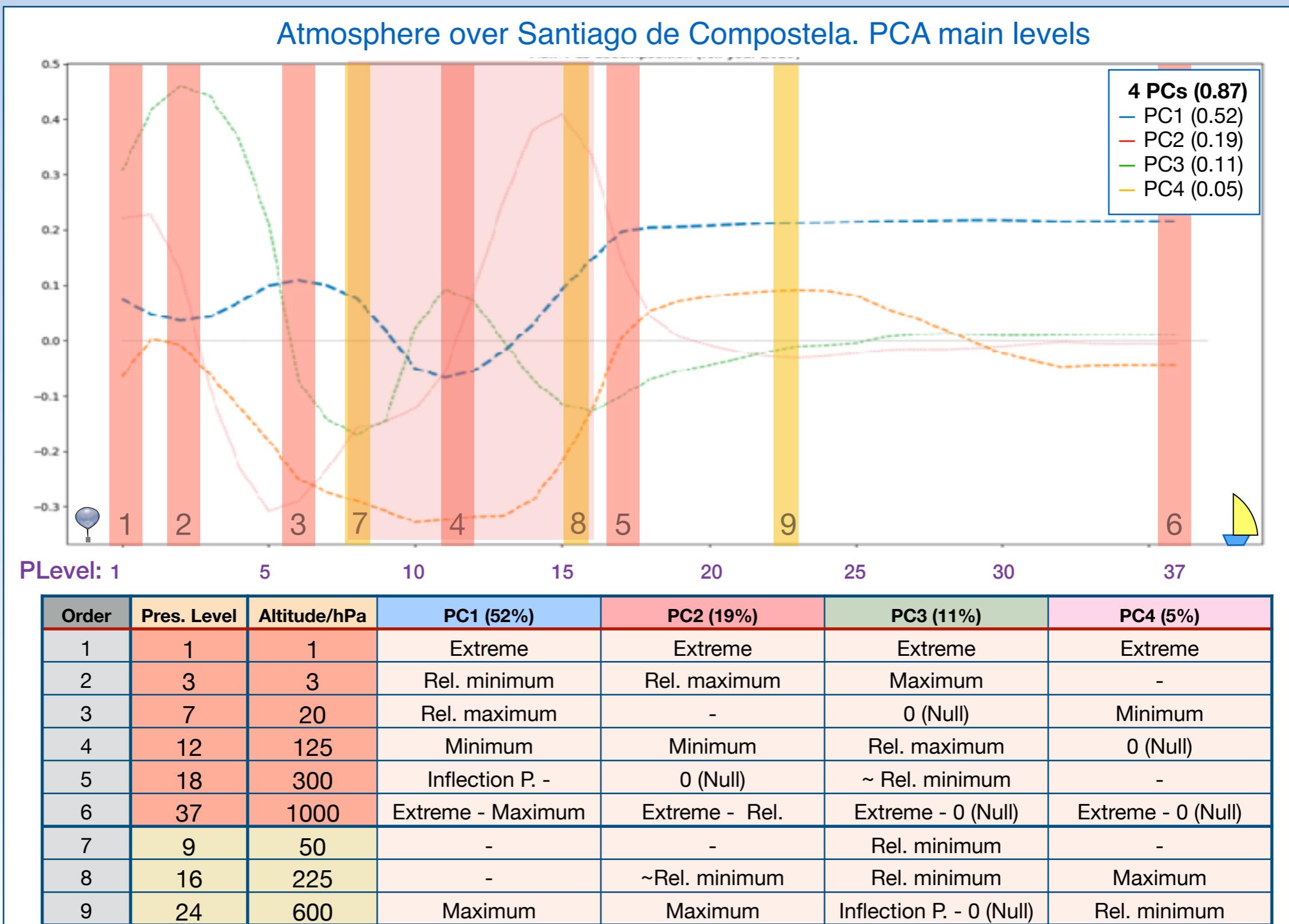
## PCA: Principal Component Analysis



Given a sample of correlated data, the PCA provide new non-correlated variables and ordered in inverse order of their variance

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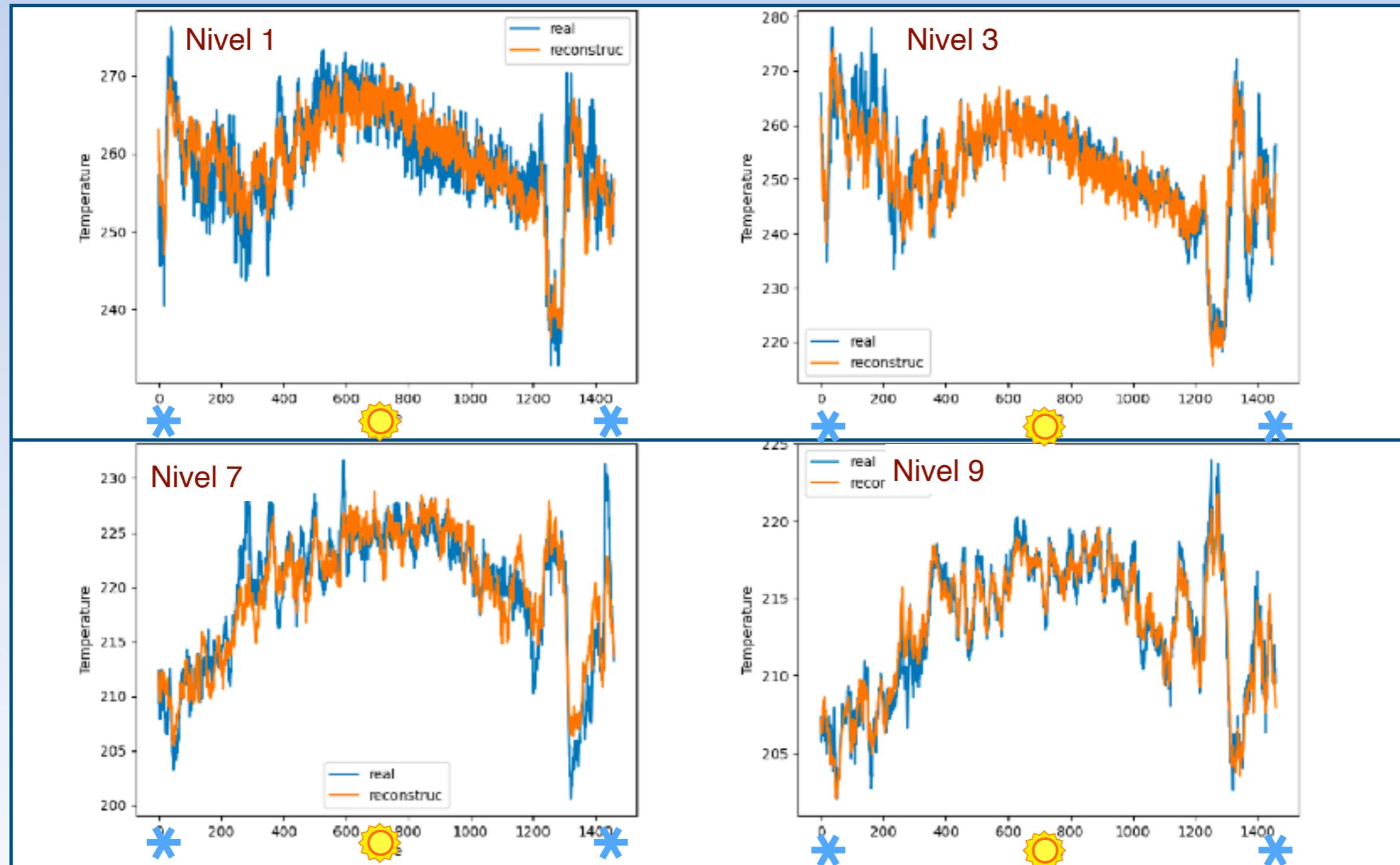
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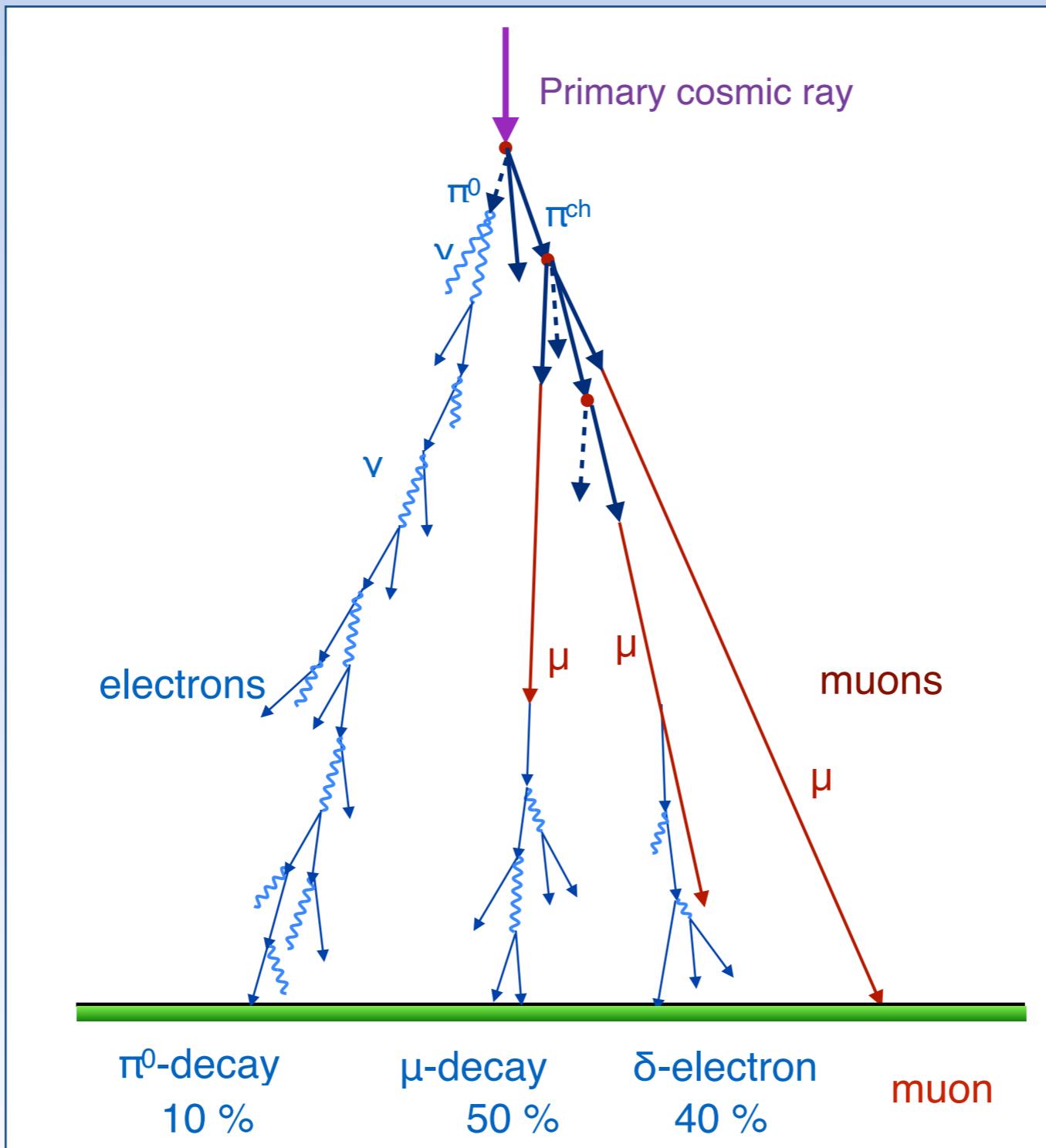
Difference between the real temperature and the one estimated from the temperature at 9 pressure levels



The temperature of only 9 levels seems to be enough for estimating the temperature of the whole atmosphere

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## Cluster Analysis



Most of the electron clusters on the ground come from the decay of muons

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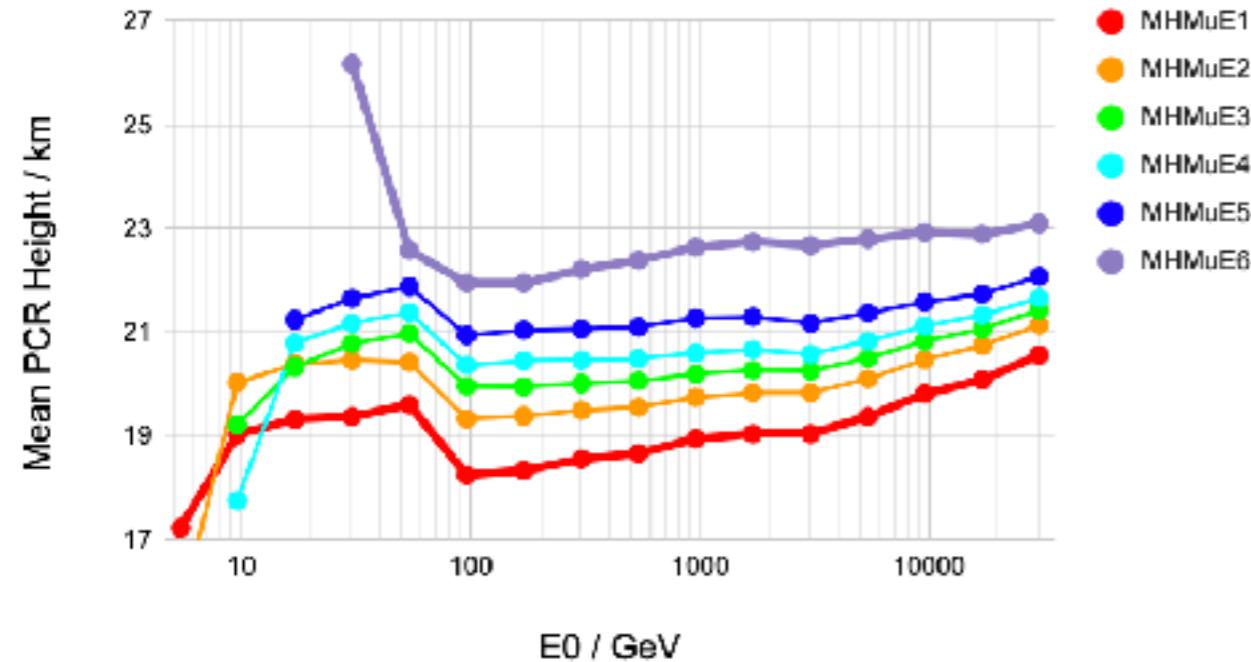
## Cluster Analysis

### Mean Height of the Primary Cosmic Ray first interaction

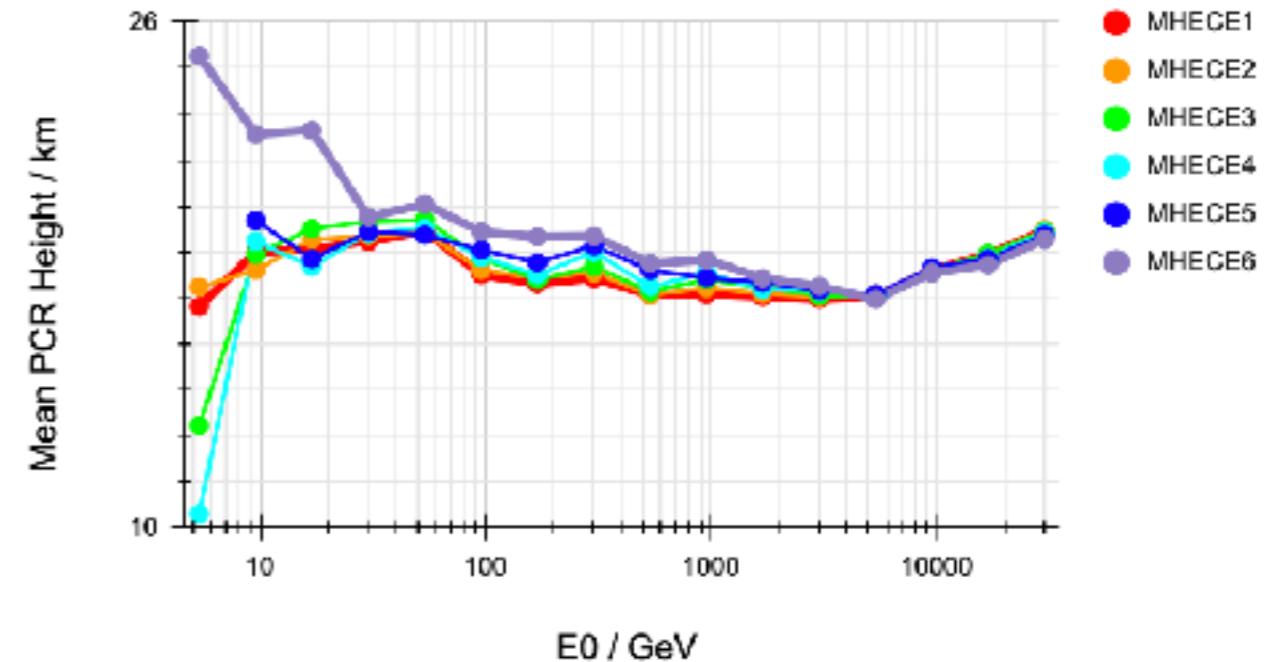
Muons of different energies

Clusters of electrons of different energies

Mean PCR Height for Muons @ EneRanges (Proton Primary)



Mean PCR Height for ElClust @ EneRanges (Proton Primary)

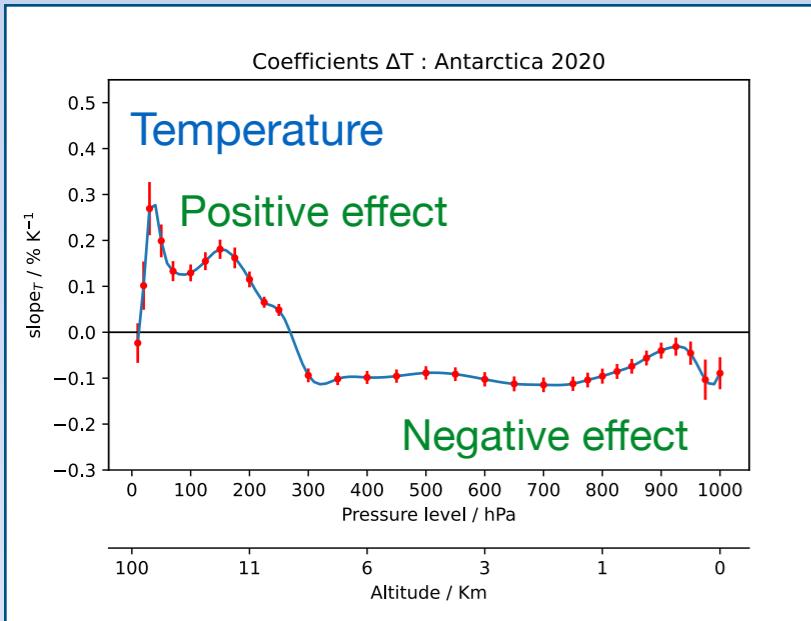


Muons and electrons of different energies show some similarities. High energy electron clusters are an indirect way of measuring changes in the arrival of high energy muons

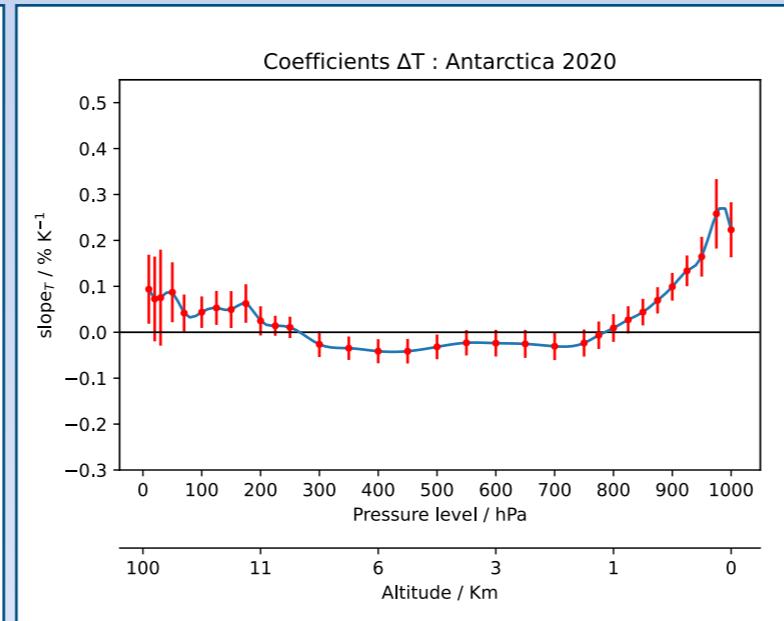
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## TRISTAN: Regression slopes between measured rates and pressure levels

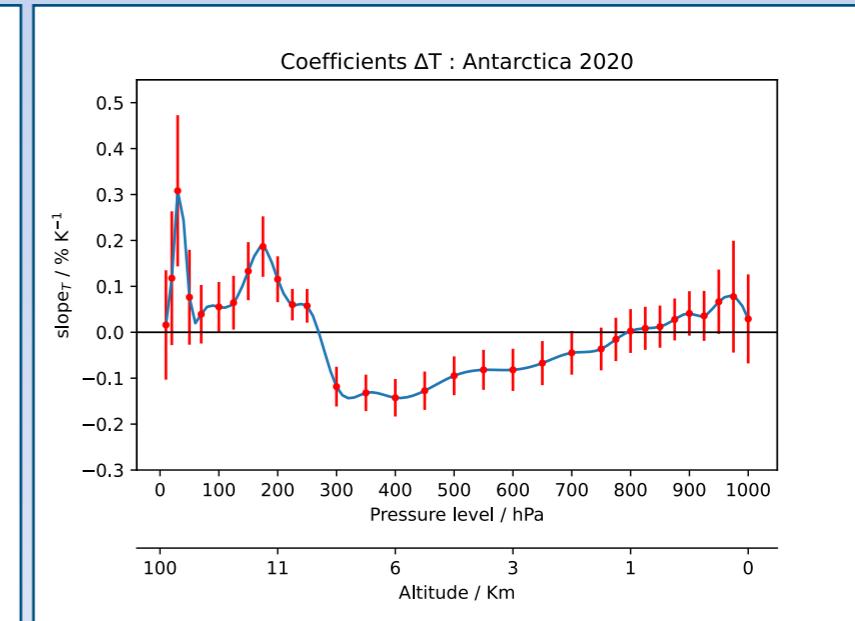
M1



M2



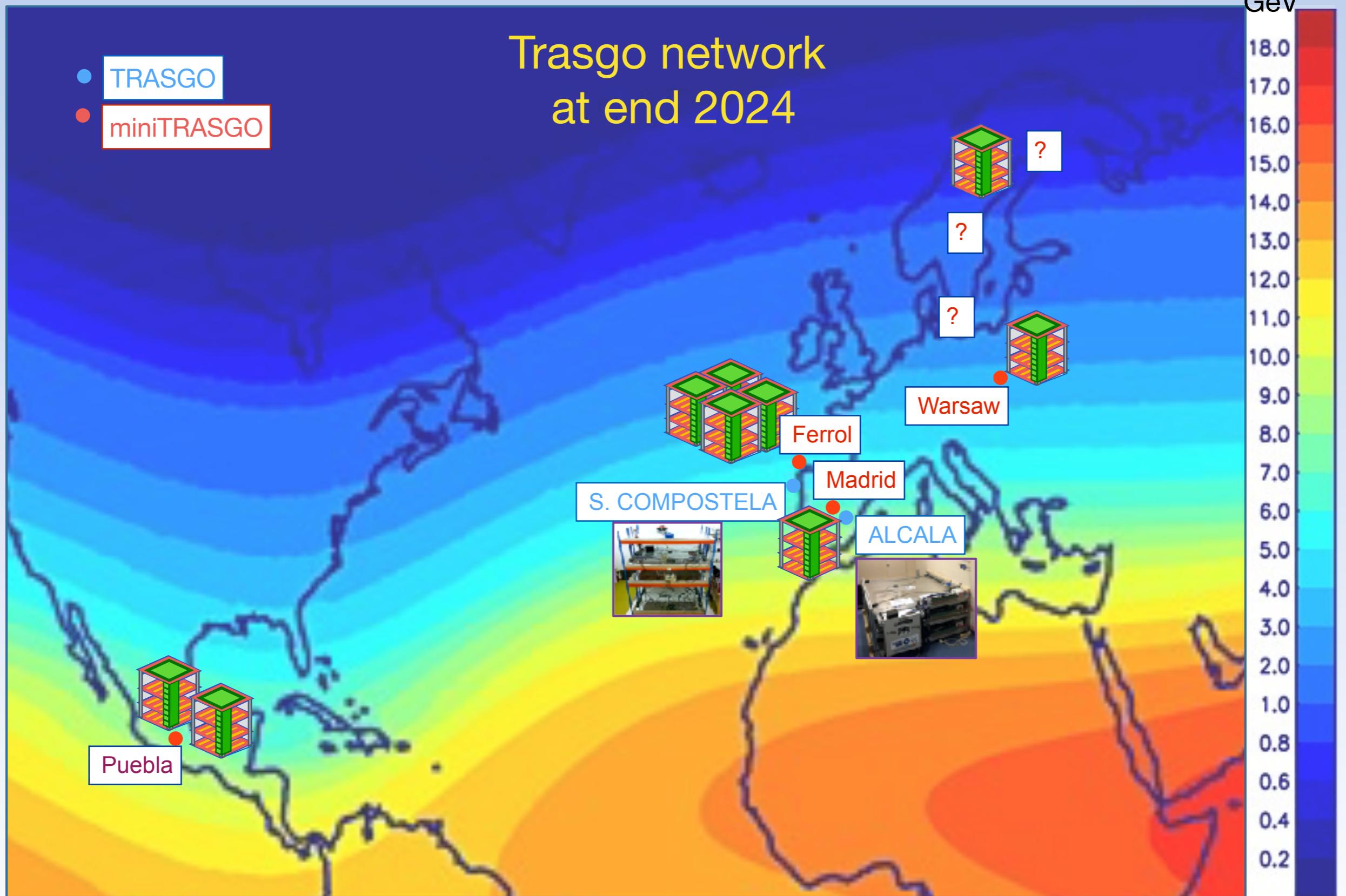
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Different multiplicities keep memory of the atmosphere at different pressure levels



... and in the next future...



Thanks :)

## RESUMEN

Los electrones de alta energía y los clusters de electrones ofrecen unas propiedades únicas para el estudio de la actividad solar

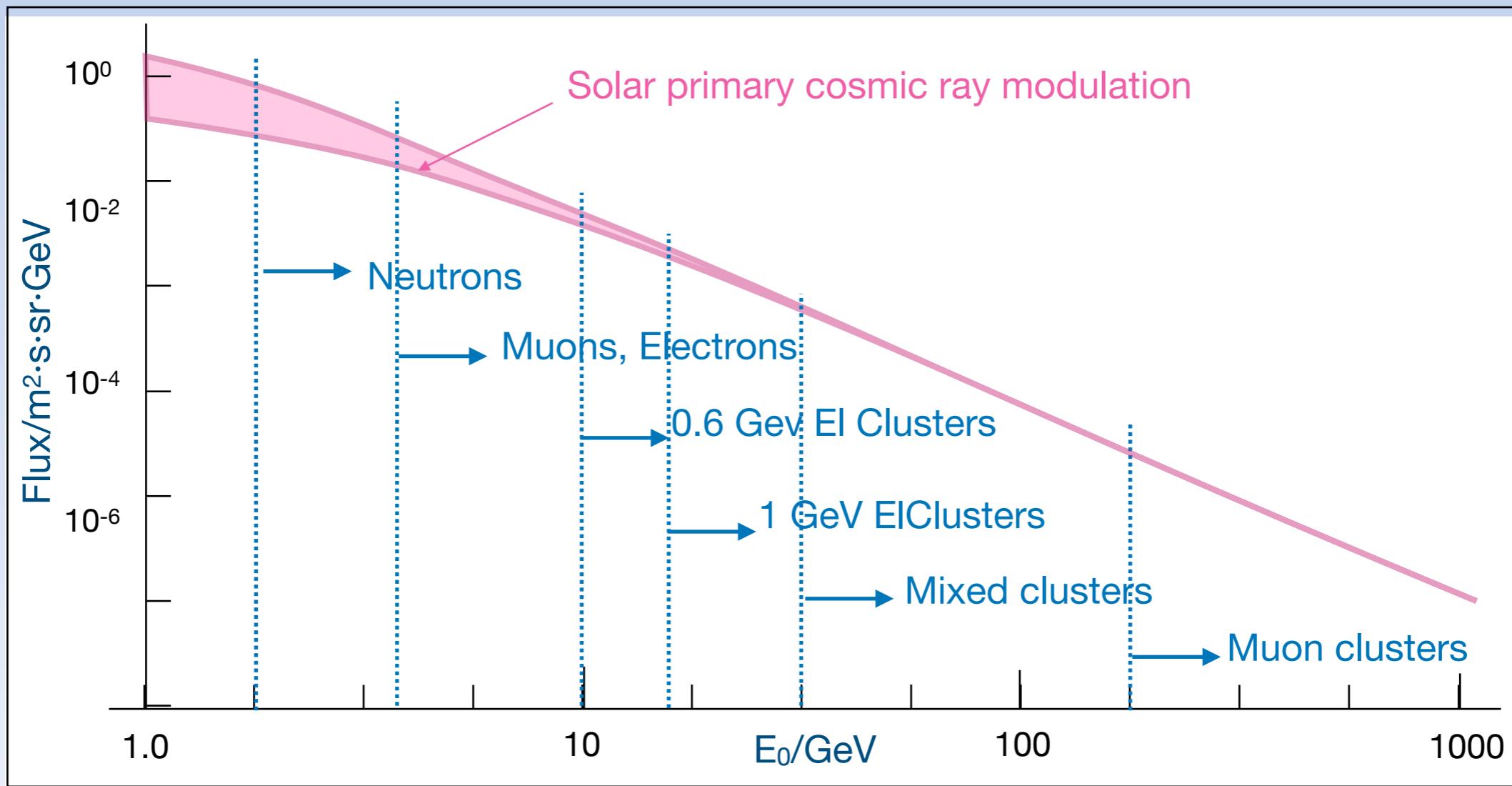
- Son direccionales
- Es posible estimar su energía y establecer bandas de energía en la medida de los rayos cósmicos primarios
- En función de la energía del primario, es posible “reenfocar” su llegada y obtener mejores imágenes de la modulación solar
- Su mayor nitidez permite usar detectores de menor superficie

Los detectores tipo Trasgo ofrecen un gran numero de variables: tasas direccionales de muones y electrones, medida de clusters y sus propiedades (multiplicidad, tamaño, anchura temporal, estimación de su energía, etc.) abriendo un nuevo abanico de posibilidades aun inexploradas para el estudio en tiempo real de la actividad solar y, en particular, para la detección temprana de tormentas magnéticas

# Solar Activity and Space Weather

# Cluster Analysis

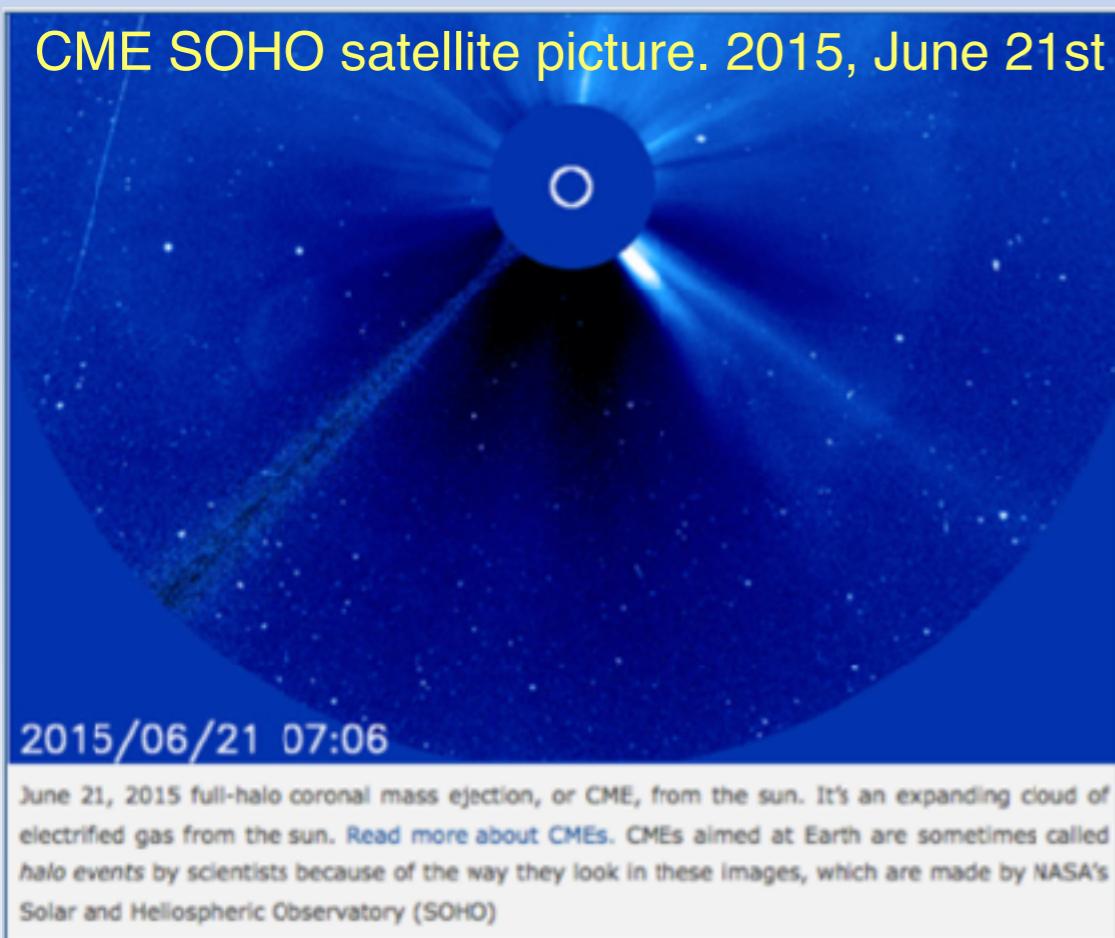
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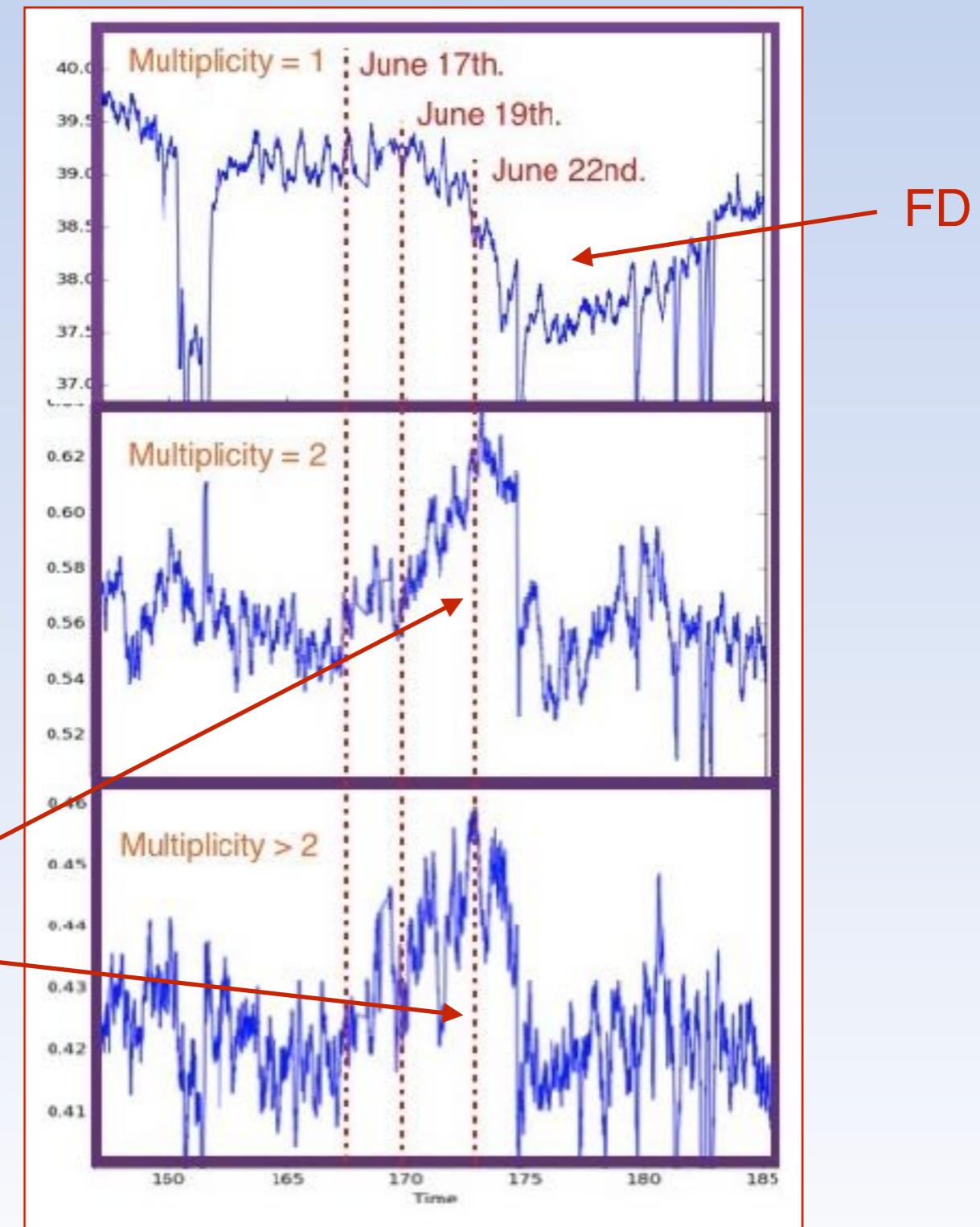
Ground based Trasgo detector allows estimating the rate of primary cosmic rays of different energies

# The Trasgo Project

## Tragaldabas. Analysis of the Forbush Decrease on June 2015

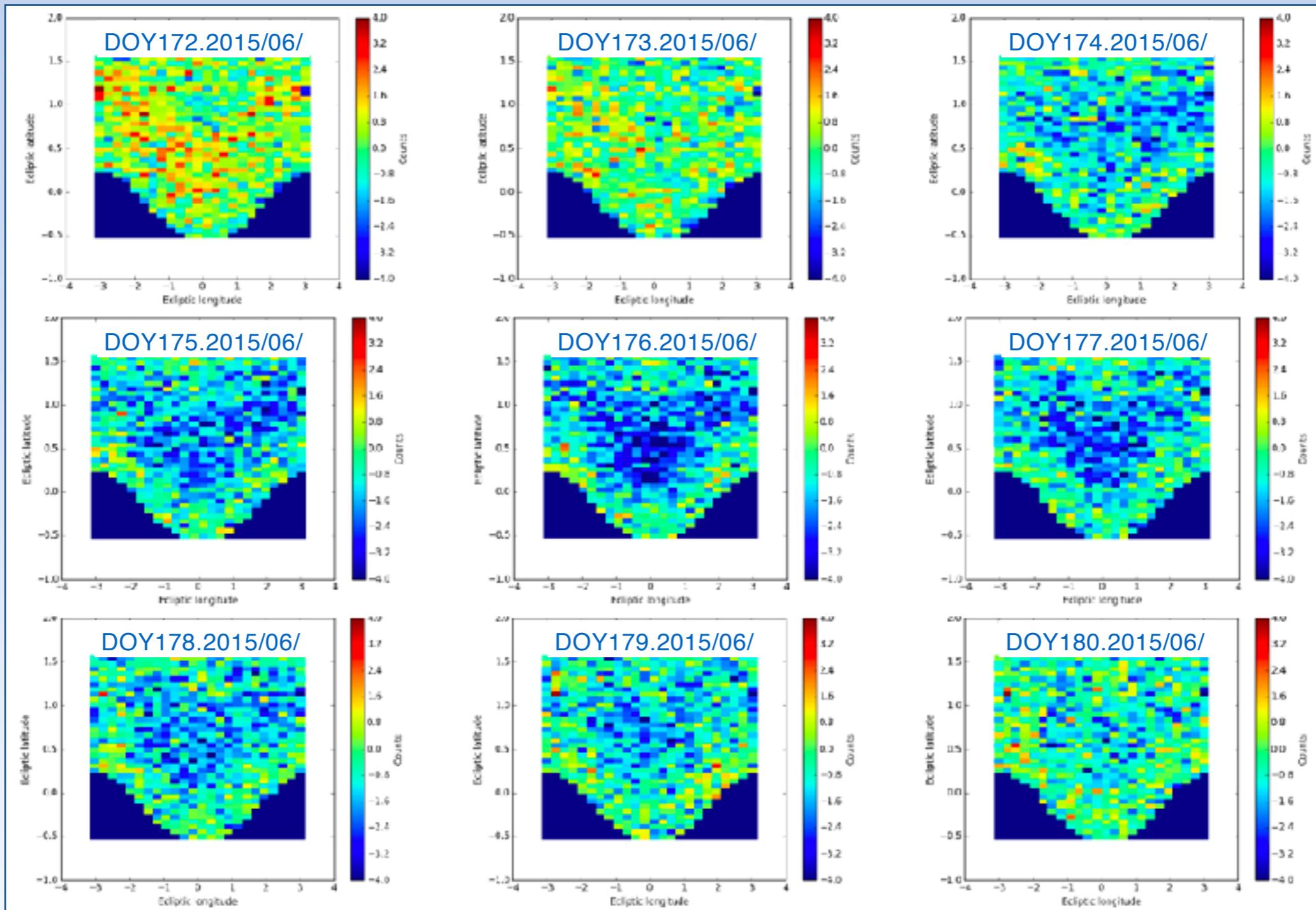


Not yet understood  
unexpected electron  
excesses!



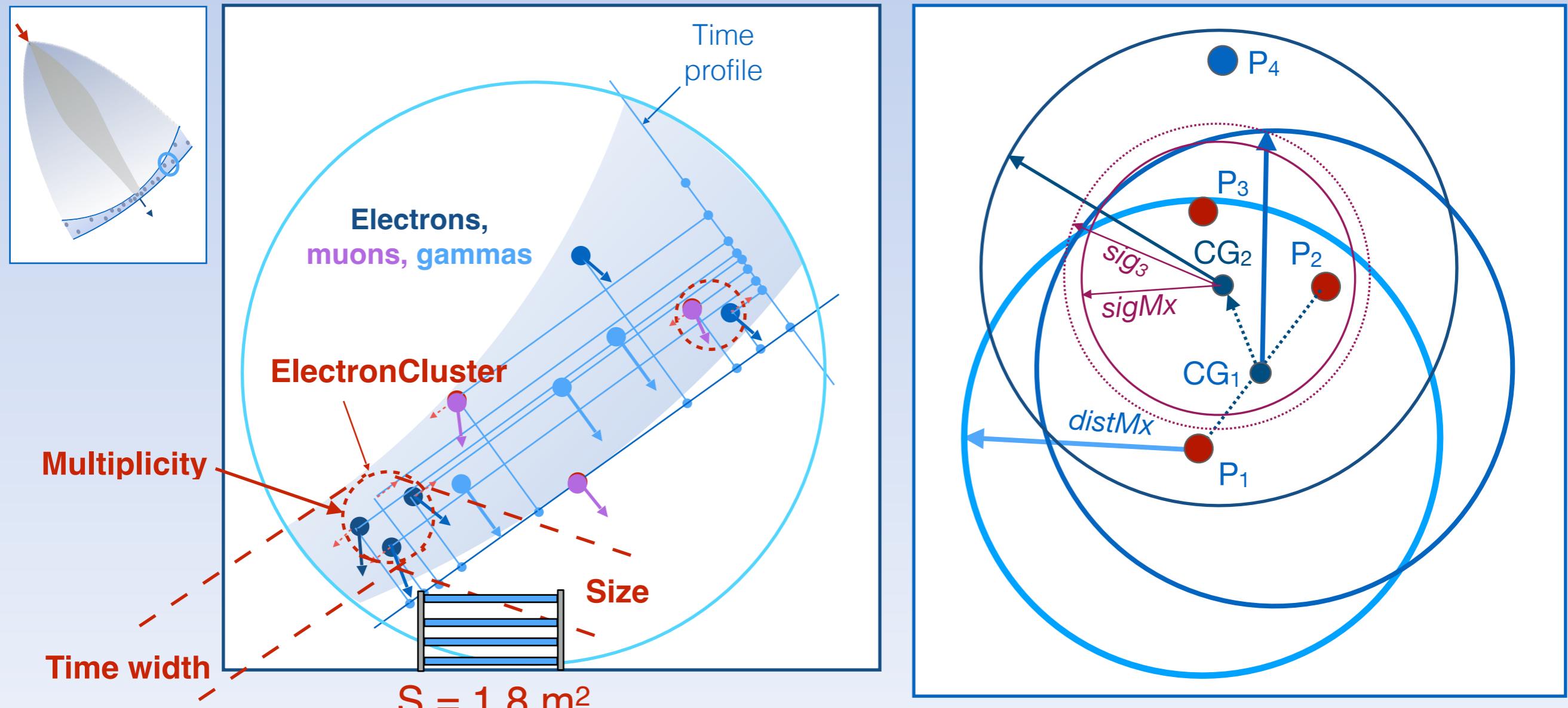
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## Tragaldabas. 2D June 2015 Forbush Decrease evolution



# Cluster Analysis

## Cluster search strategy

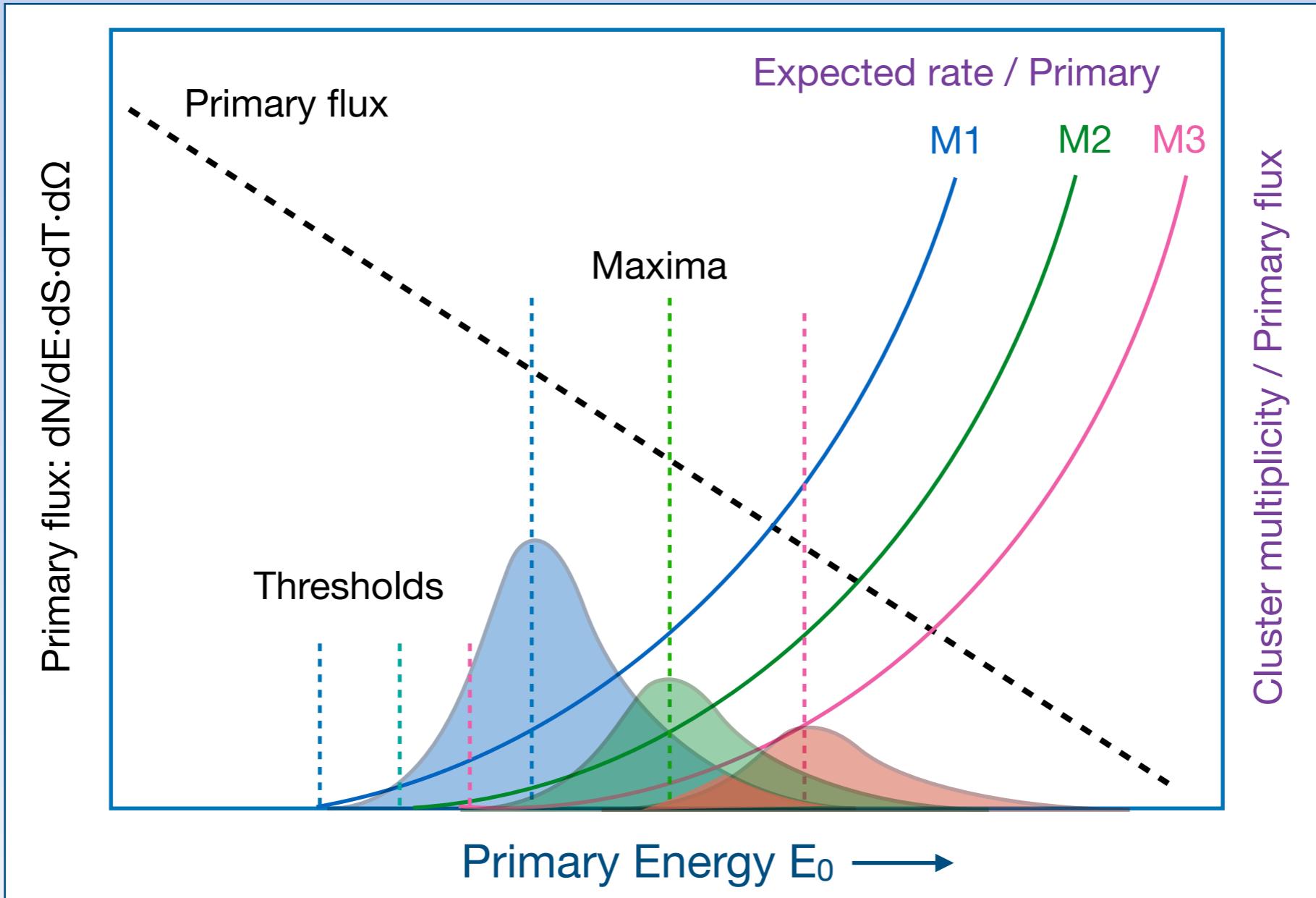


- Clusters:
- Electron (> 1 electrons)
  - Muon (> 1 muons)
  - Mixed (1 muon + electrons)
  - 1 Electron + Gammas (1 electron + gammas)
  - Gammas (only gammas)

\*TRASGO: The TRASGO Project. New Physics, the Future Scenario, the Beam Offending and the Social Activity

# Cluster Analysis

## The Coupling Function



The coupling function provides de probability that a given bundle of particles is produced by a primary of a certain mass or energy

## **Algunos observables directos accesibles a un detector tipo MINGO:**

- Tasa de rayos cósmicos aislados
- Tasas de distintas multiplicidades de rayos cósmicos
- Tasa de muones
- Tasa de electrones
- Espectro de energía de electrones
- Distribución angular de incidencia de muones
- Distribución angular de incidencia de electrones
- Distribución del tiempo de llegada entre rayos cósmicos
- Distribución de tiempos entre eventos
- Distribución de tiempos en grupos de partículas

## **Observables indirectos:**

- Variaciones en la actividad solar y clima espacial
- Variaciones atmosféricas
- Variaciones en el campo magnético terrestre
- Variaciones en la tasa total del fondo de rayos cósmicos

## **Otras posibilidades:**

- Los detectores pueden disponerse fácilmente en red, sincronizados, para cubrir mayores superficies

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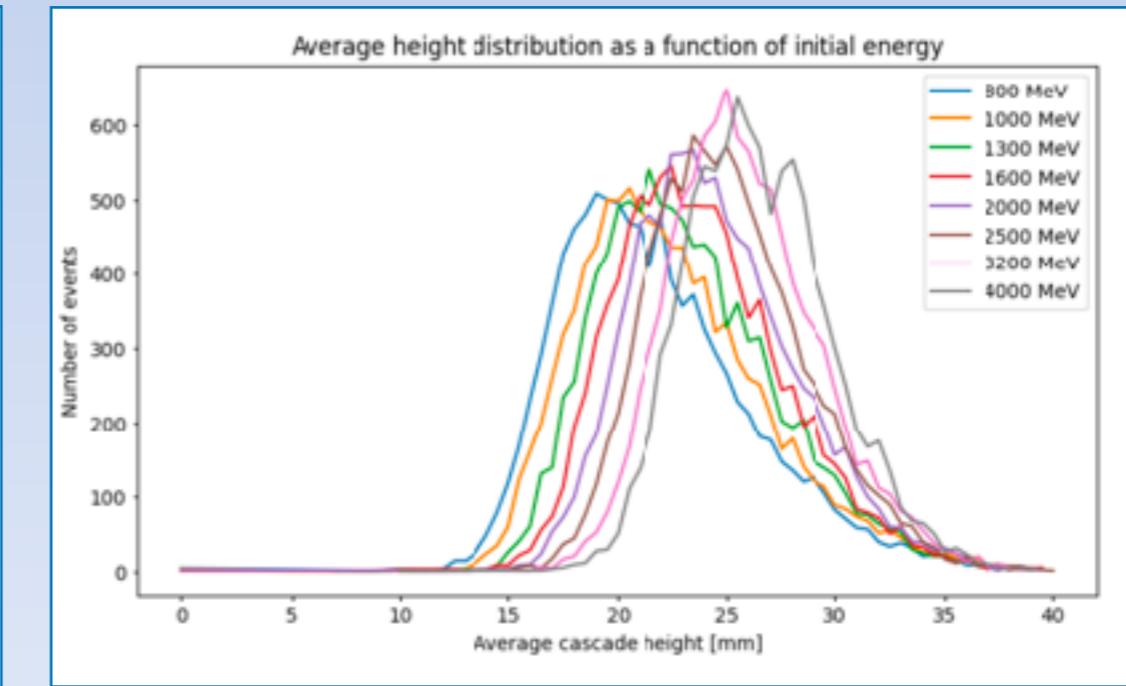
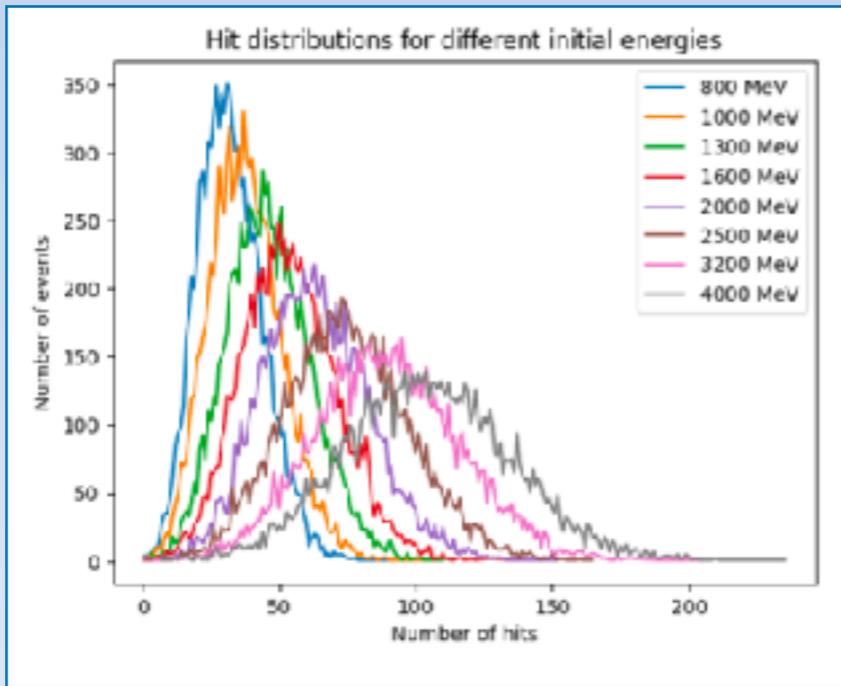
## miniTrasgos. ECalorimetry

New simulations with Pb (Jose L. Rodríguez & Alfonso Sánchez)

Conf1

Pb 16.2 mm

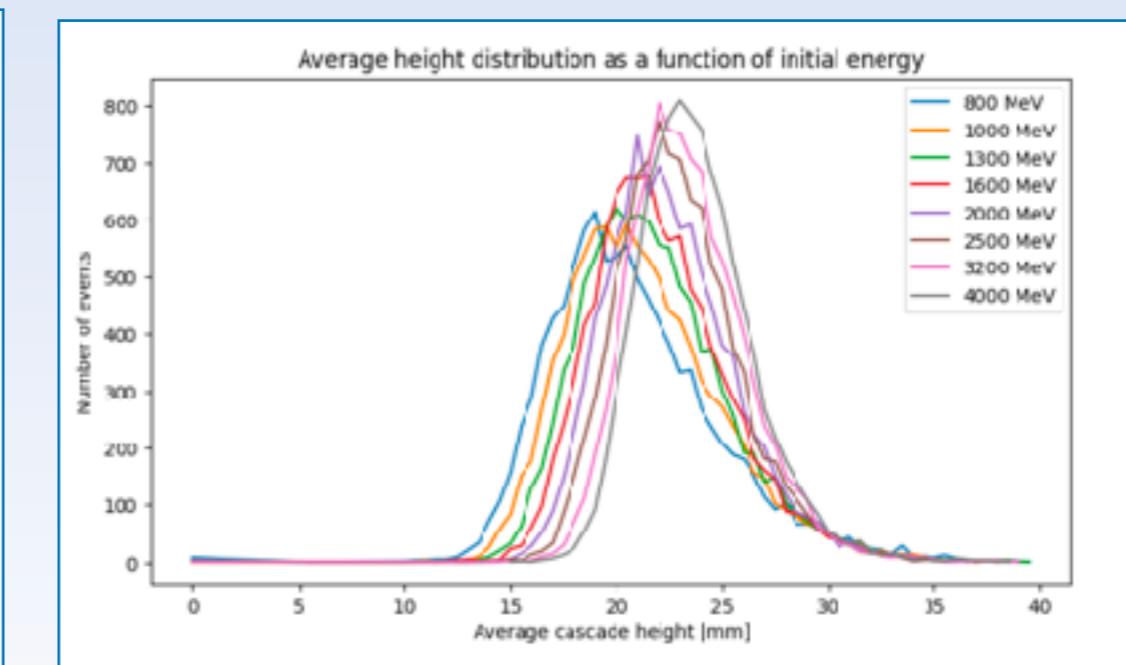
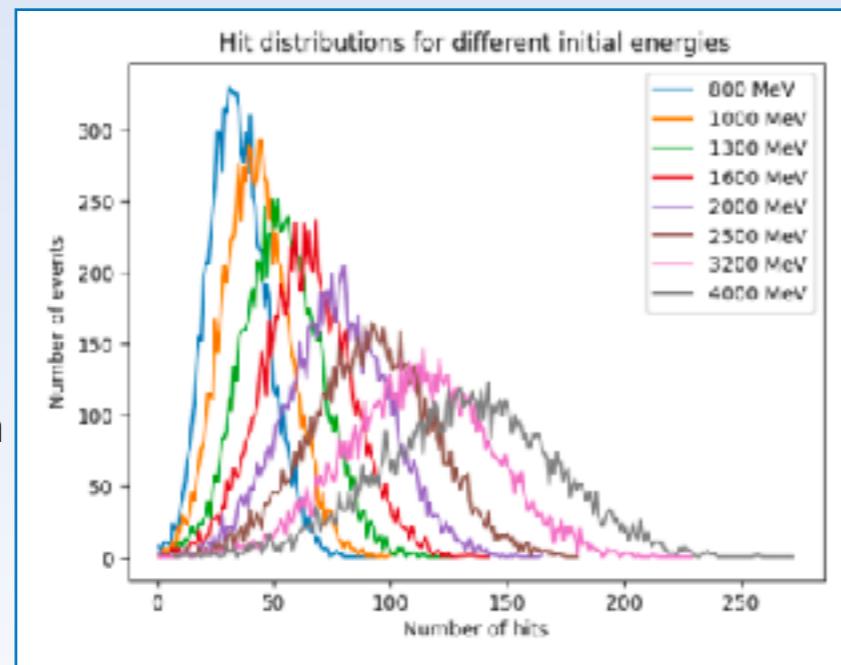
Pb 10.4 mm



Conf2

Pb 10.4 mm

Pb 16.2 mm



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Mean depth / mm

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## Tragaldabas. Main data samples

