

# ***Auger 2015***



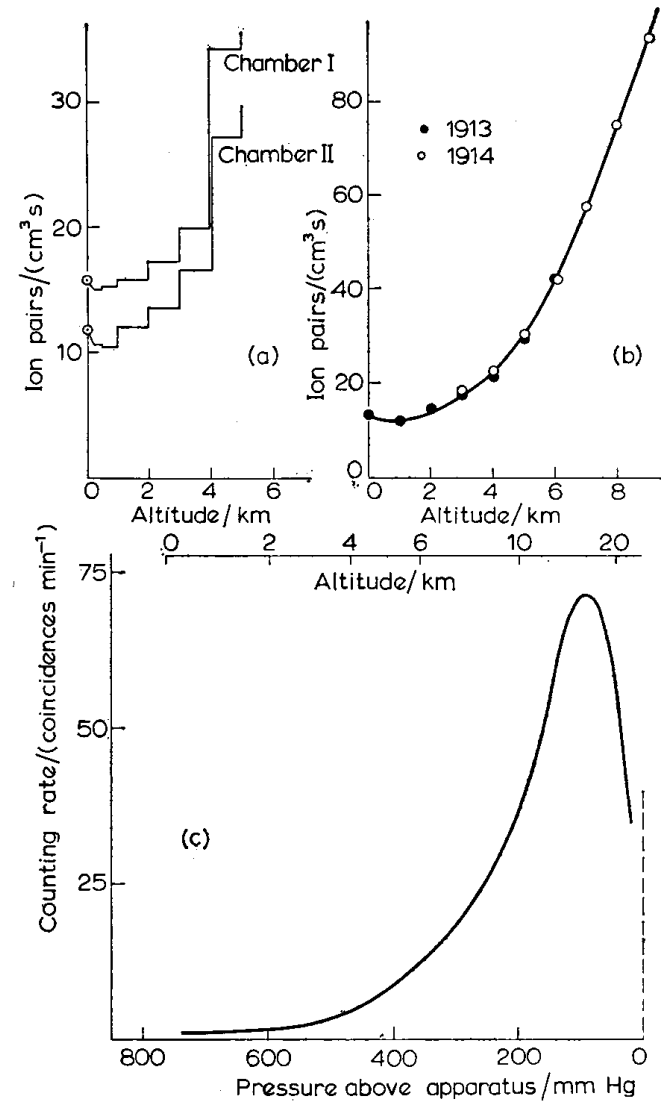
*Lisboa, April 2012  
Jornadas LIP*

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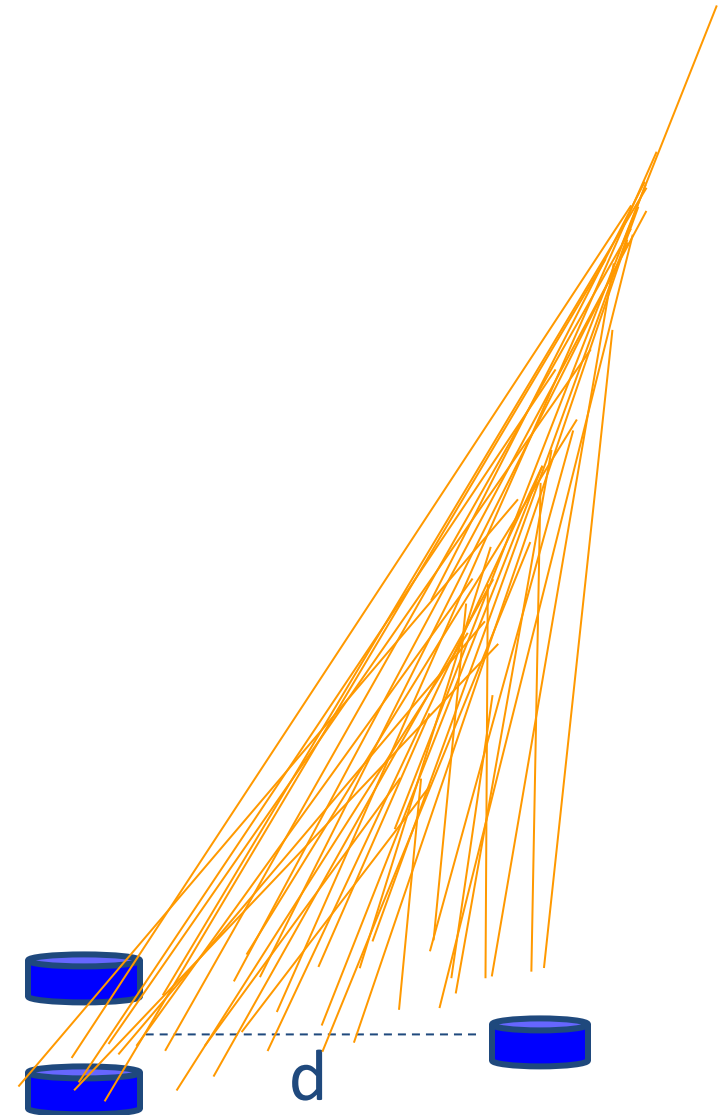
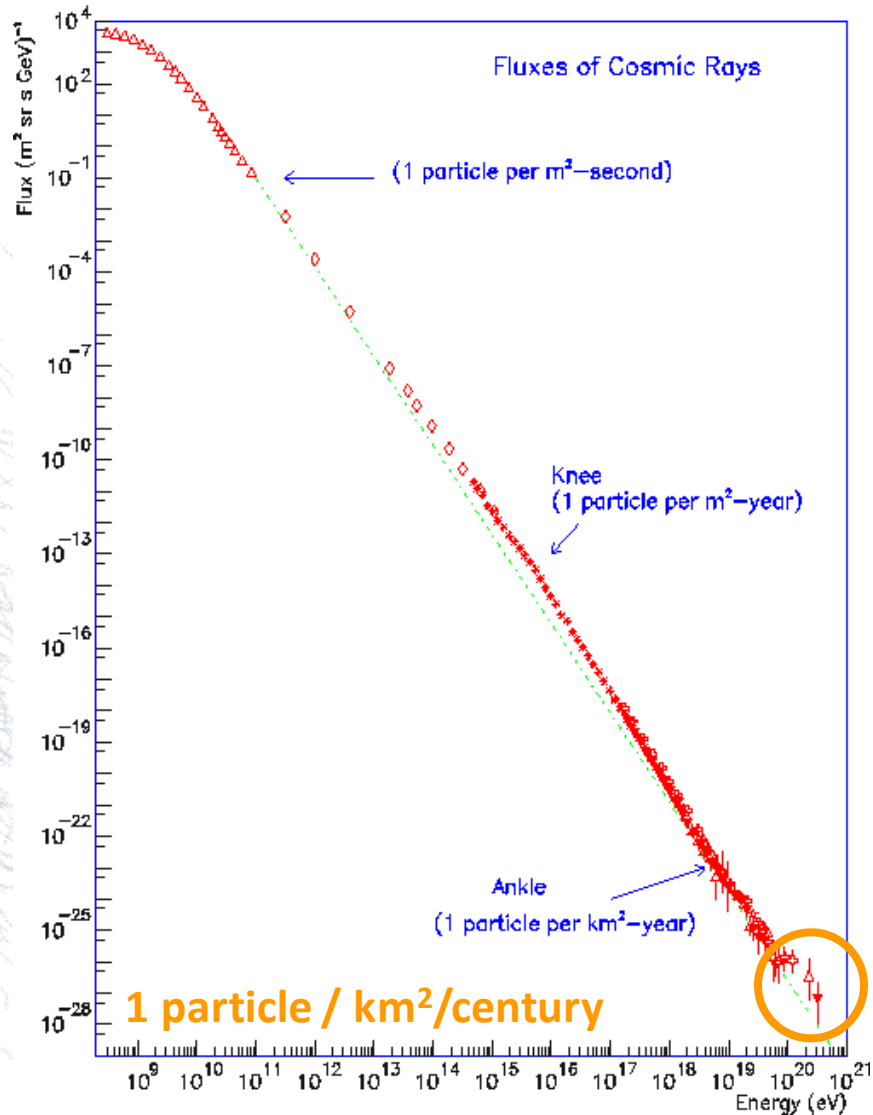


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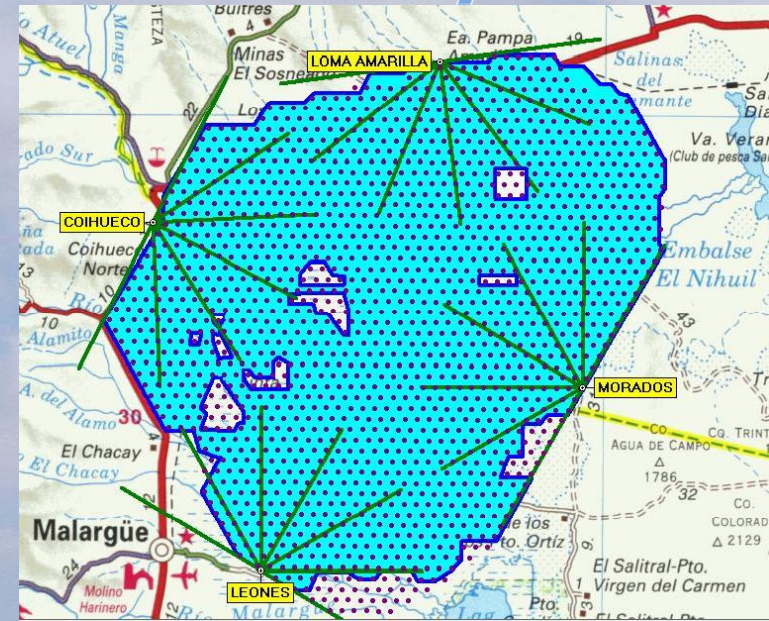
# Cosmic Rays

## The "All Particle Spectrum"





# Pierre Auger Observatory

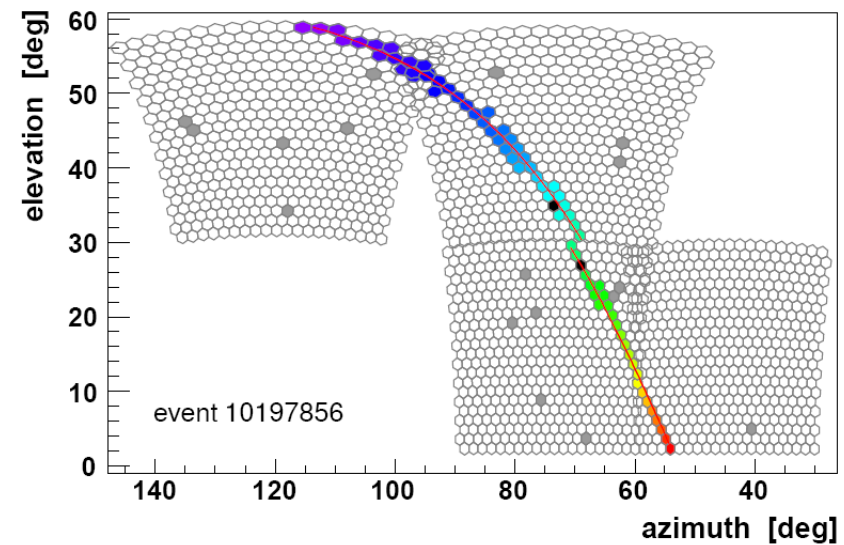
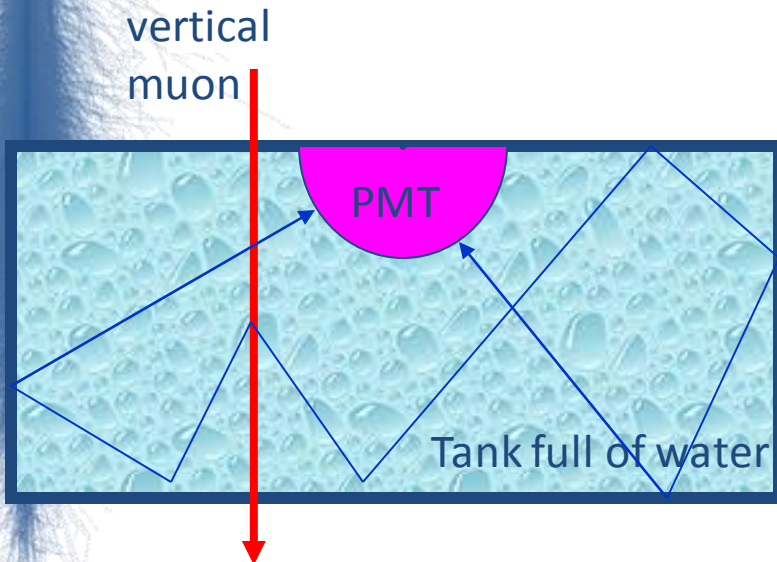
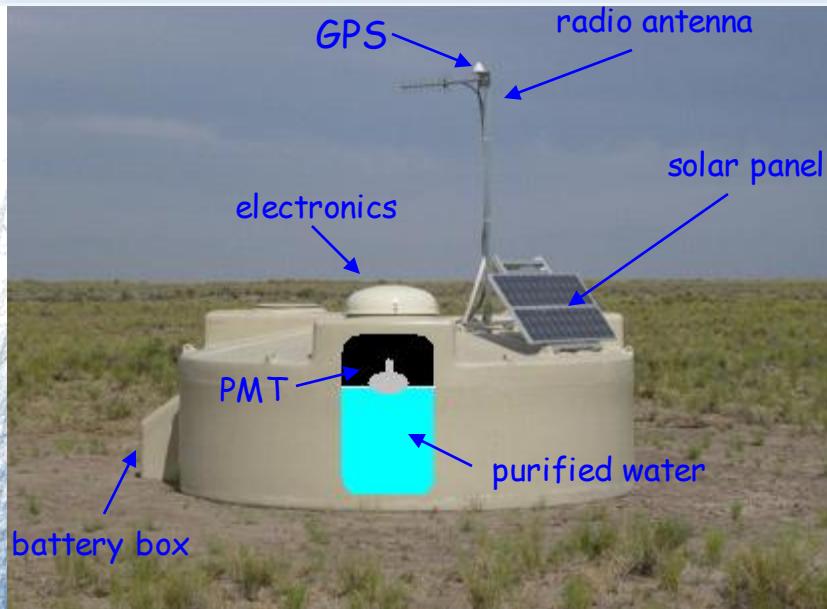


**Hybrid Detector**  
1600 Detectors  
(Water tanks – Cherenkov)  
In a 1500m grid  
Covered area = 3000 km<sup>2</sup>  
27 (24+3) fluorescence telescope

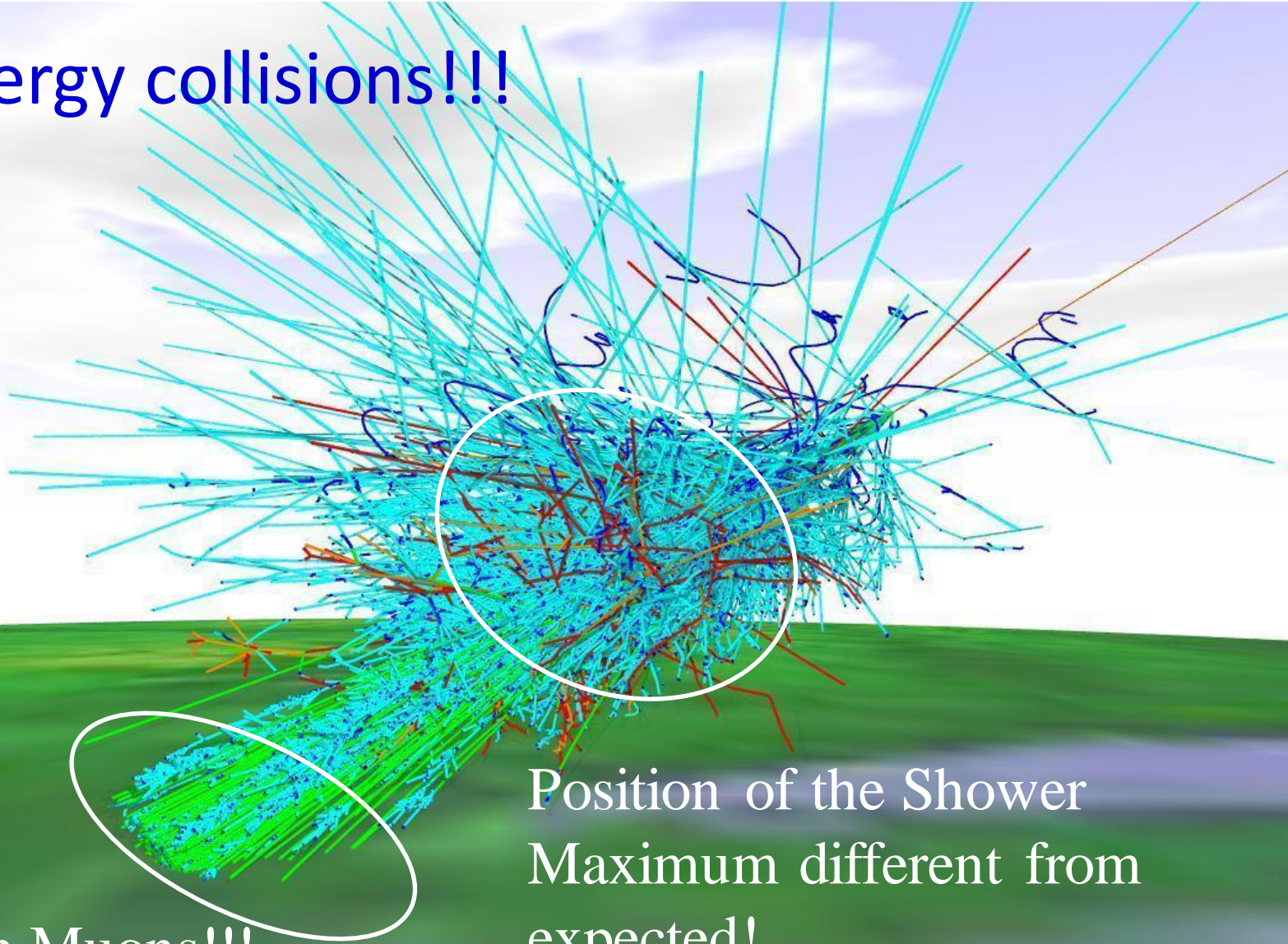




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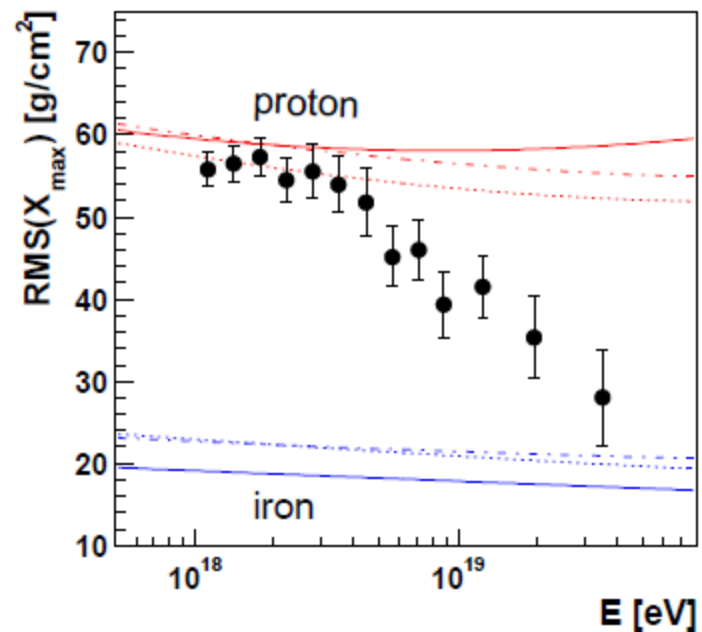
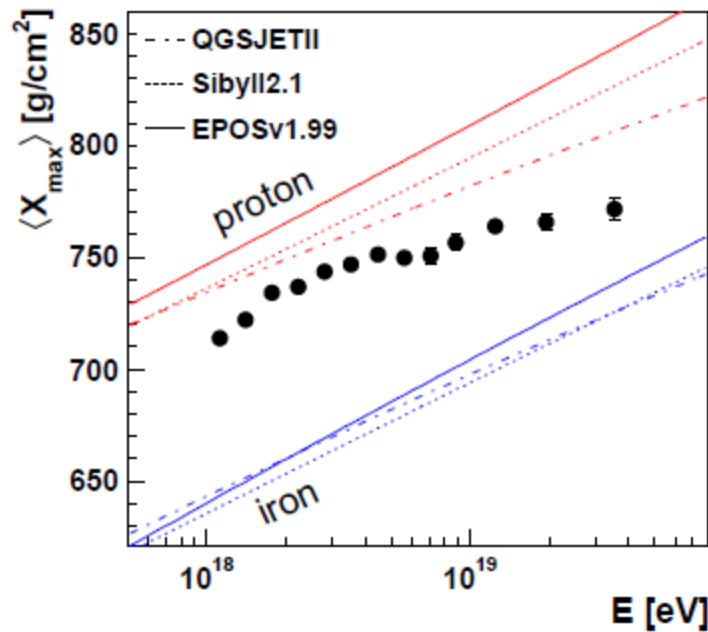


# High energy collisions!!!

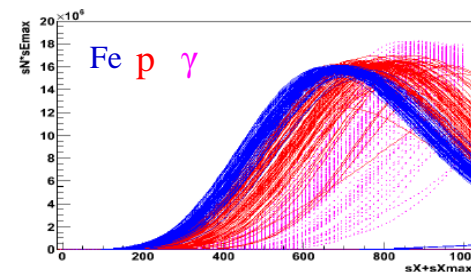


Too much Muons!!!

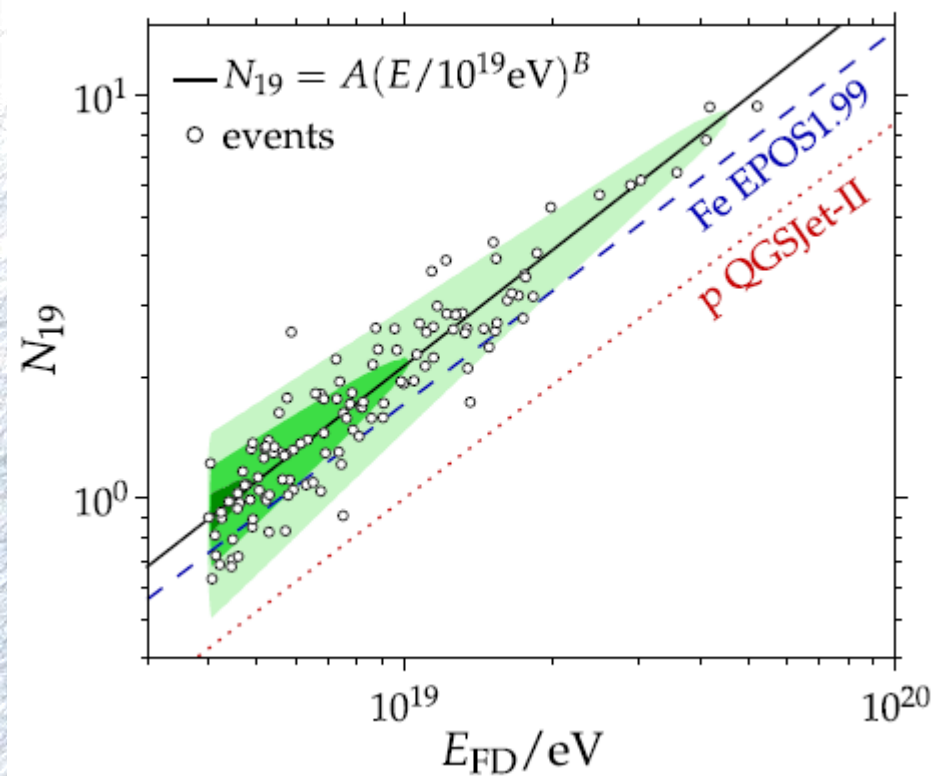




Heavy nuclei ? No simple model to explain it  
Wrong Physics models ?

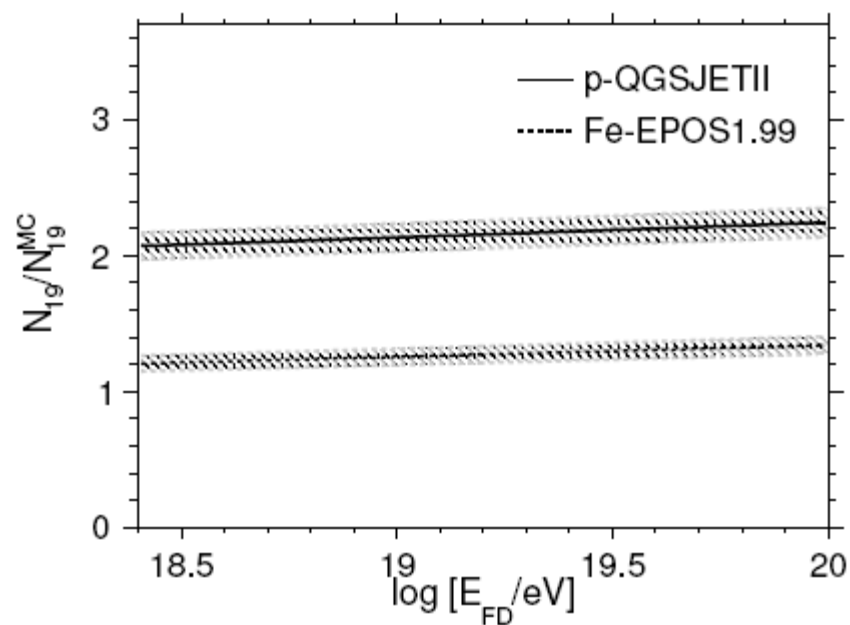




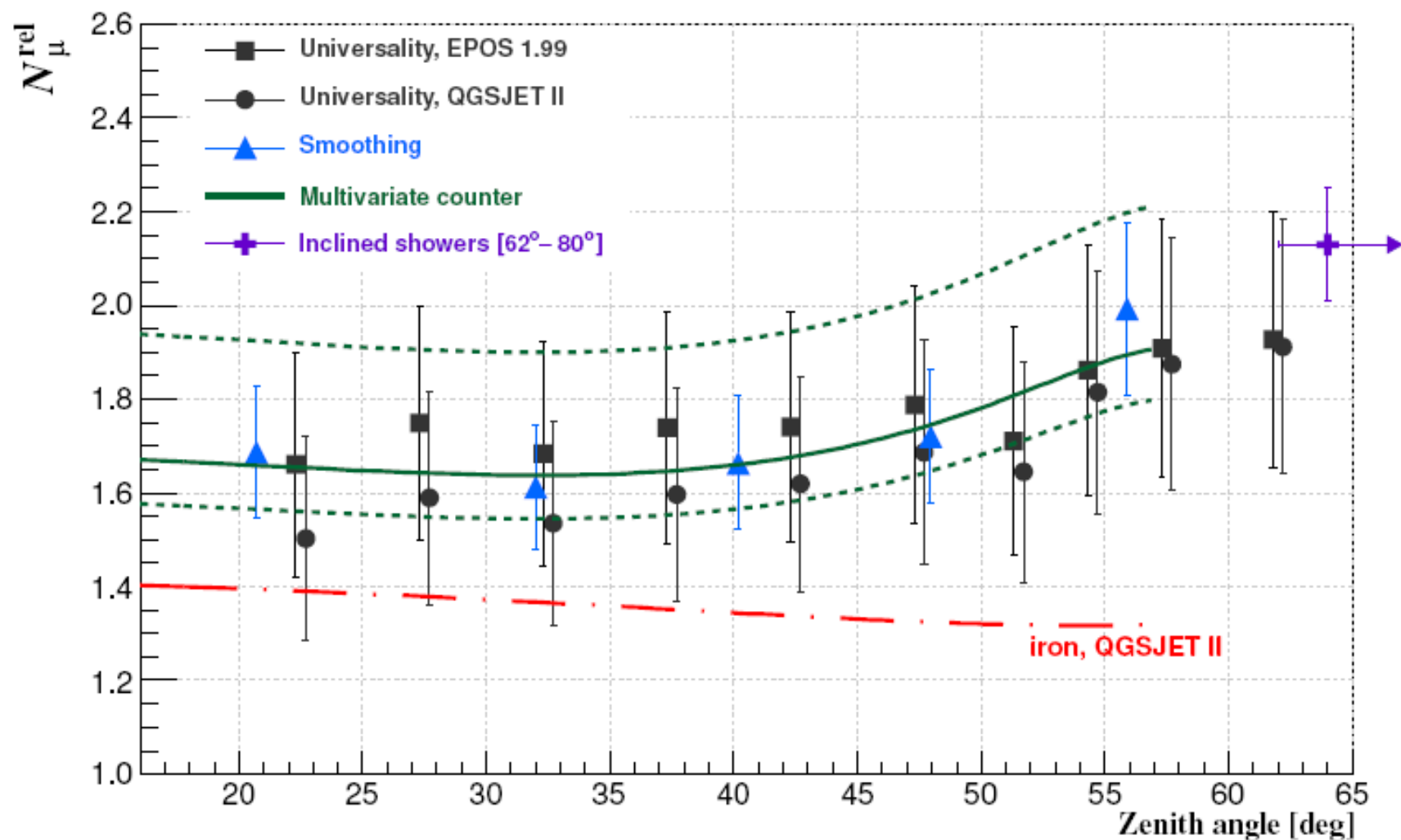


$$N_{\mu}^{\text{rel}} = 2.13 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.11(\text{sys})$$

with respect to p QGSJET II at 10 EeV



$$N_{\mu} \sim E^{0.95}$$



$N_{\mu}^{\text{rel}}$  — number of muons with respect to QGSJET II protons at 10 EeV



# The challenge...

Mass composition

Hadronic models



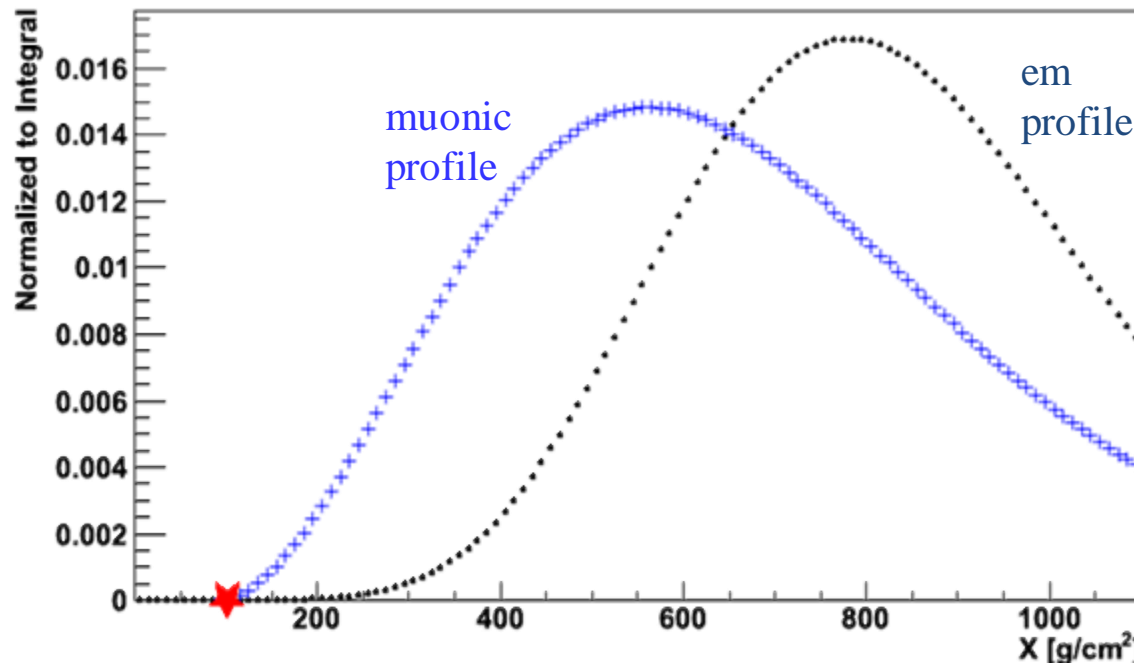
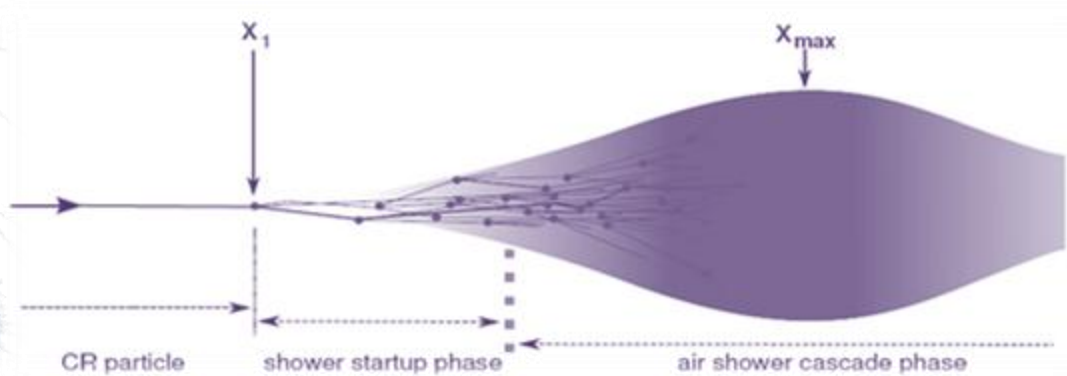
$N_{\mu}$

$X_{\max}$

# Increase information

How can we improve our knowledge?  
More statistics (just waiting) won't solve it!

Need better!



Better e.m. Profile  
Better FD

Better muon info.



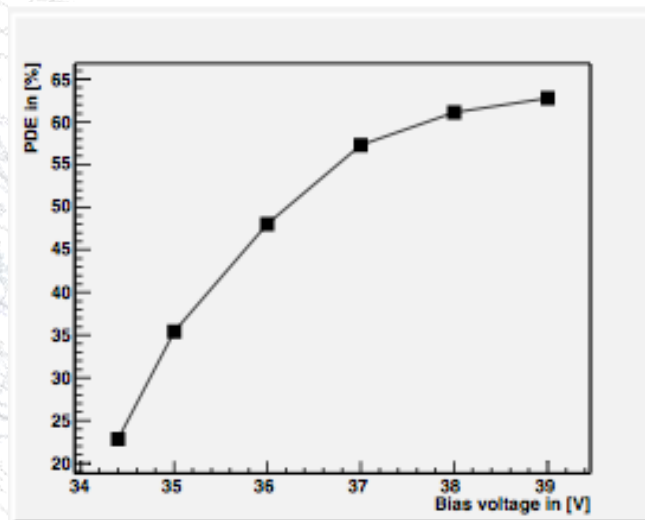
# Auger 2015

- Increase Information
- Higher performance of existing detectors
  - Introduce new detectors

## Towards a FS with SiPM

Collaboration LIP, Aachen,  
MPI, Granada, Palermo, to  
develop a SiPM based Focal  
Surface

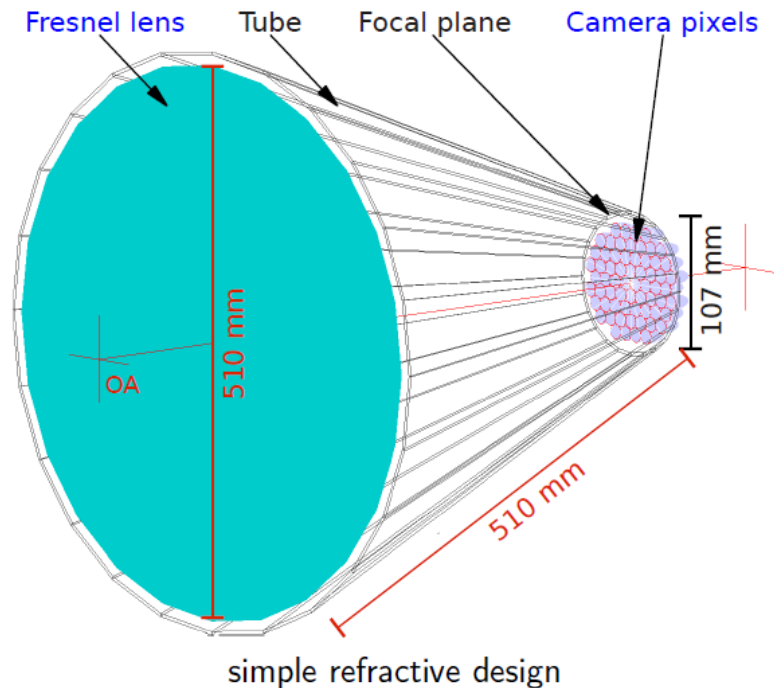
PMT typ. peak PDE 25%  
SiPM could reach ~60%



Measurement of a "Dolgoshein" prototype

# FAMOUS

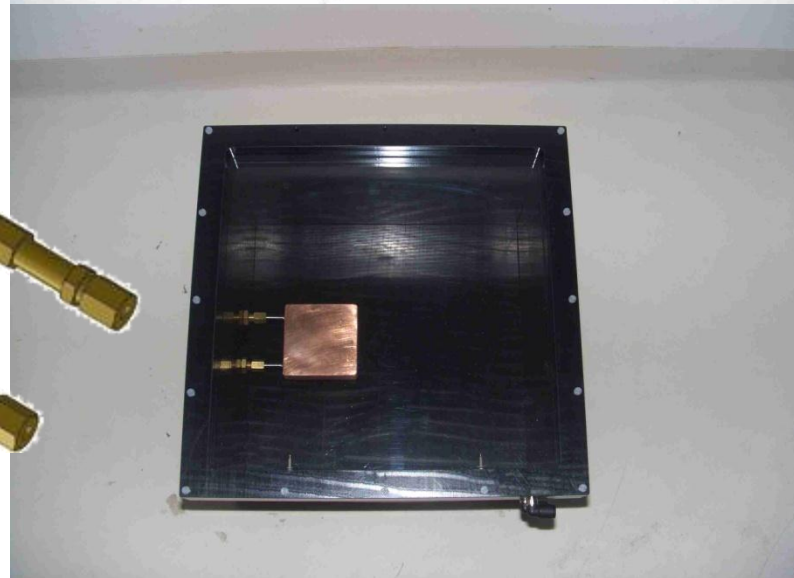
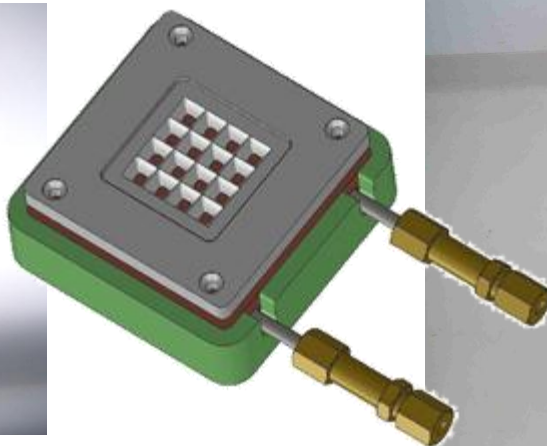
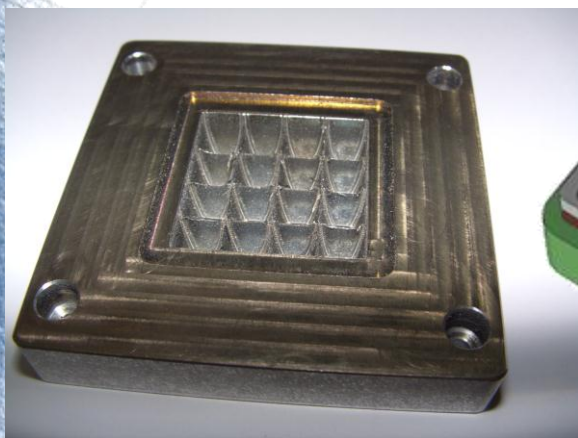
First Auger Multi-pixel-photon-counter camera for the Observation of  
Ultra-high-energy air Showers





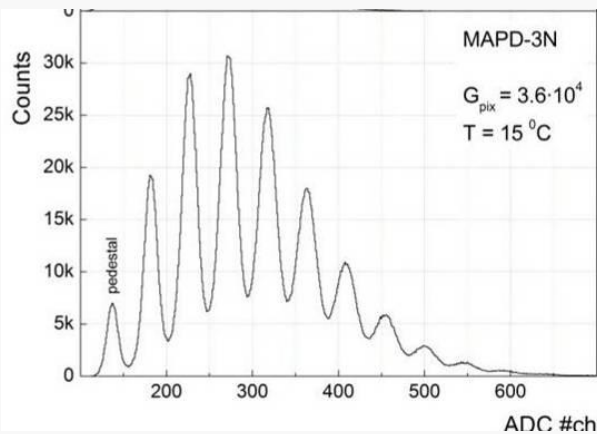
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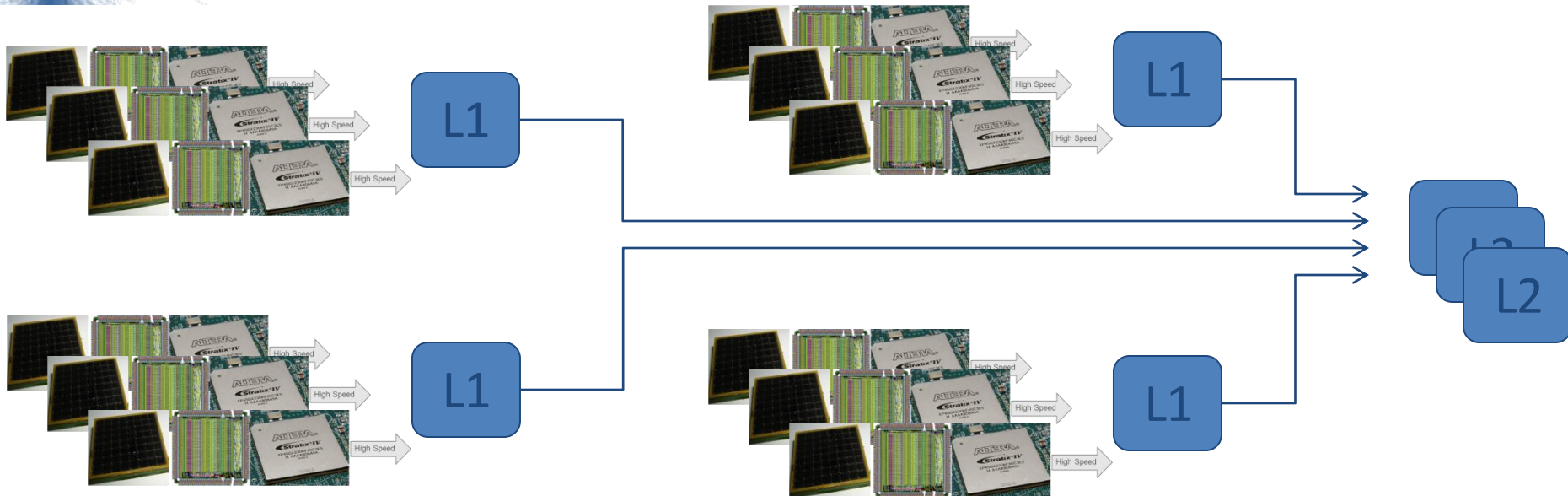
# Readout Electronics

$1\text{m}^2 \rightarrow 10^5$  channels  $\rightarrow$  compact electronics

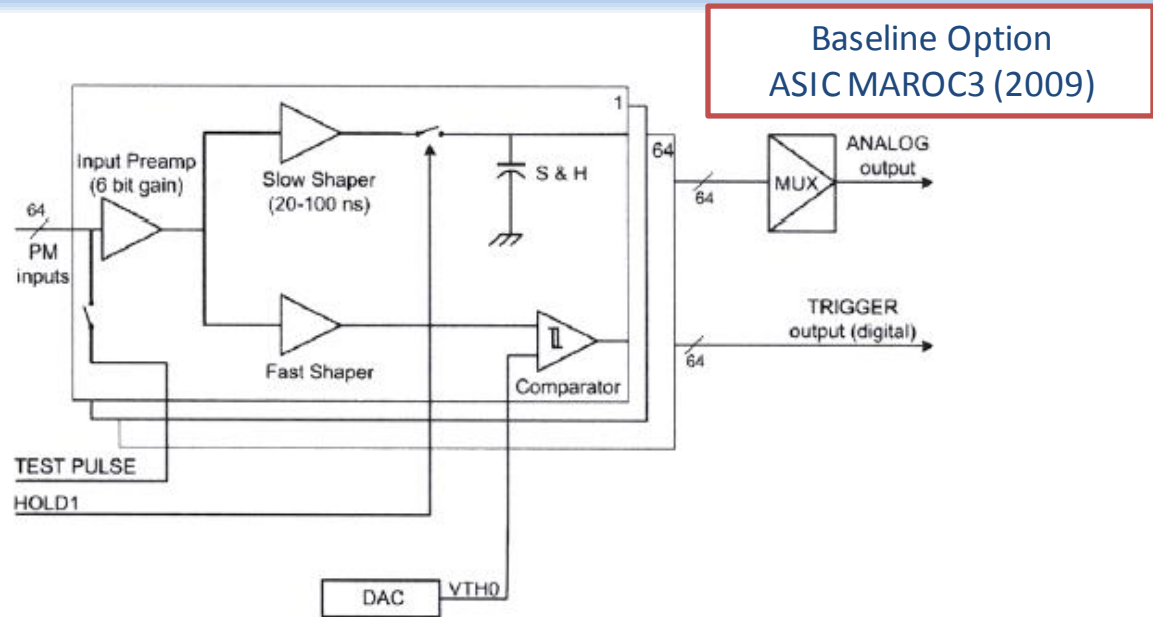
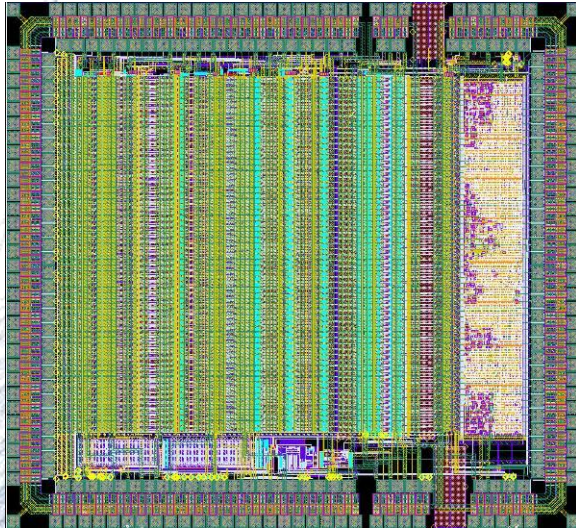


## Main Options:

- Digital Photon Counting
- Signals digitized early
- Data transmitted by high-speed links
- Modular scalable design



# Frontend Readout ASIC



64 low impedance preamplifier

Variable gain for each channel

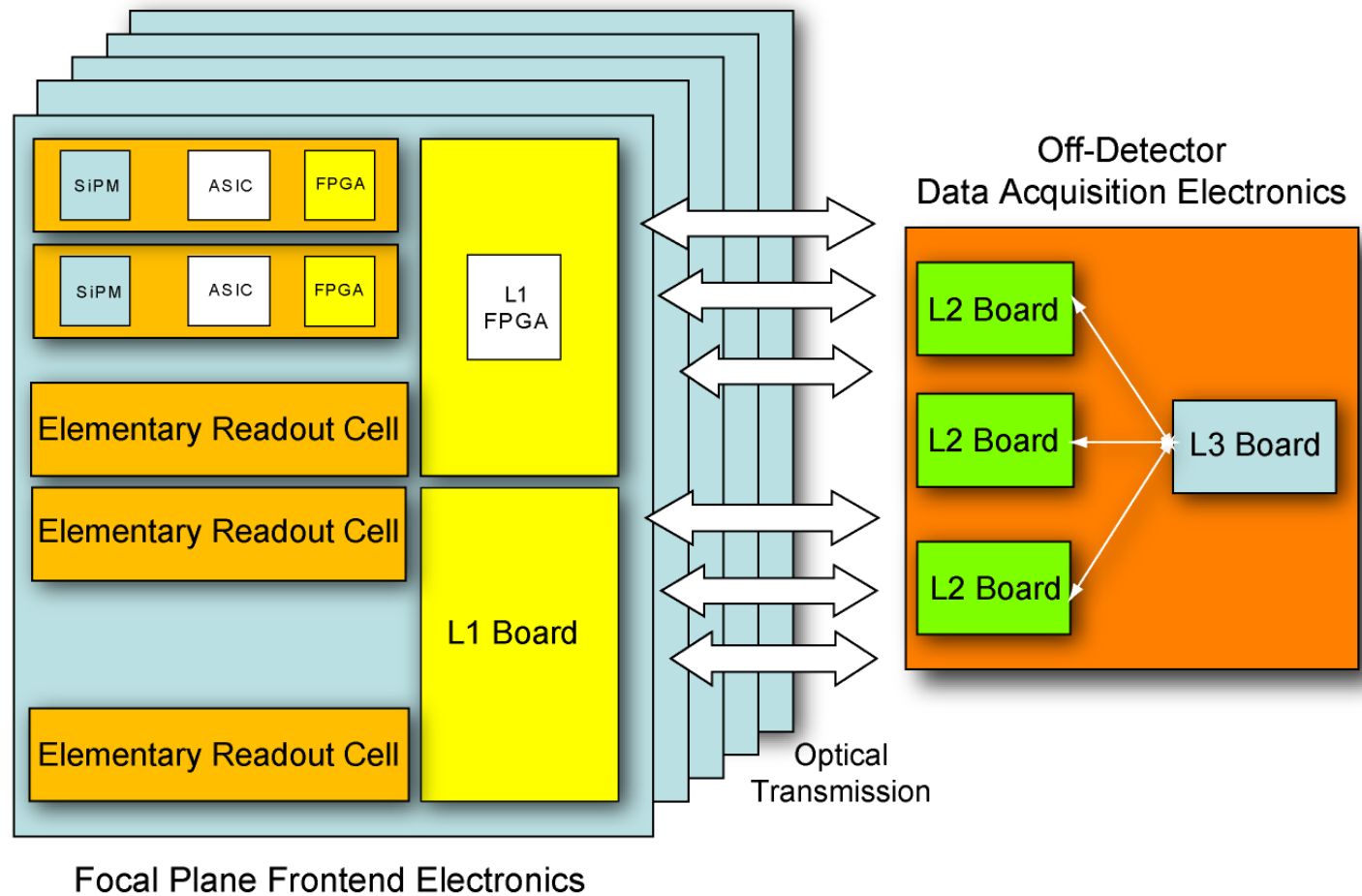
Minimum threshold at 100% trigger efficiency: 10 fC

64 logic trigger outputs

12 bits ADC (serial output: pedestal and maximum per channel)

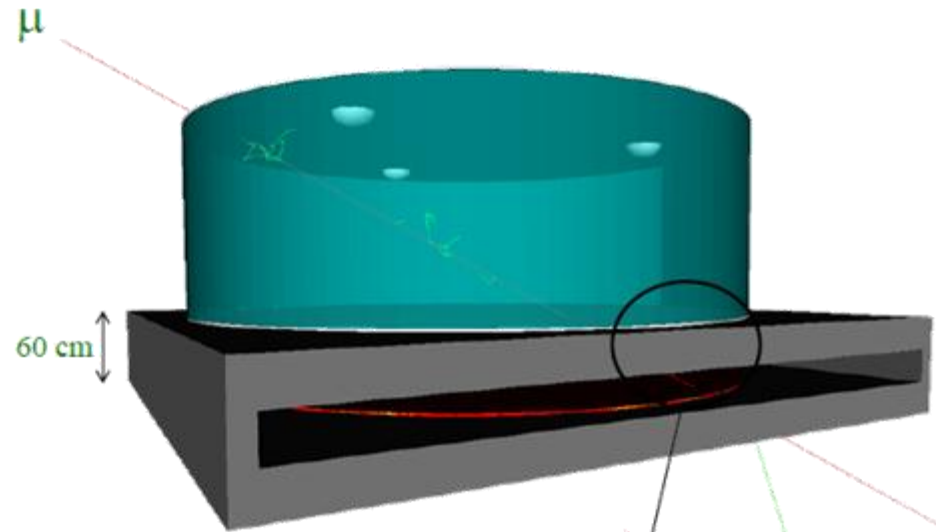
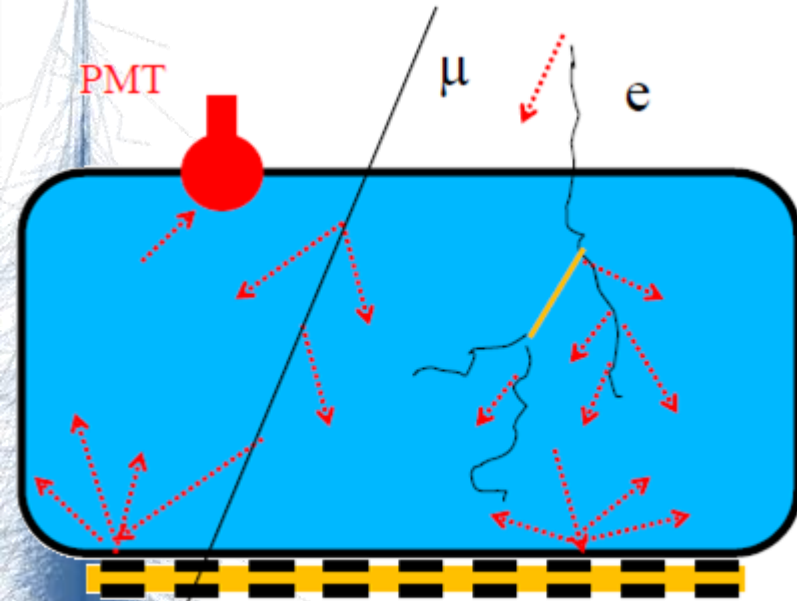


# DAQ and Trigger Architecture



# Better muon information

Add an additional layer for the muons...  
e.g. RPCs under the tanks



Double gap RPC 1.25 cm

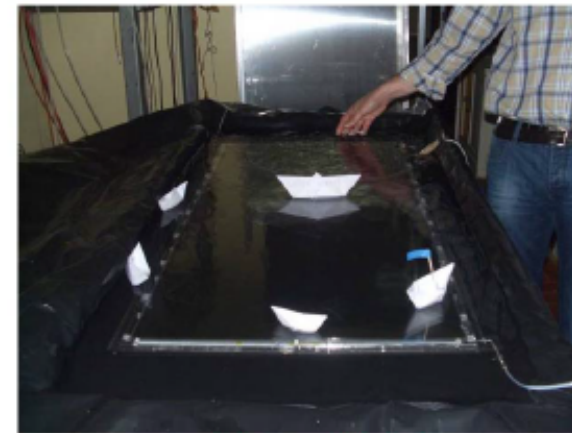


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## R&D in Coimbra for RPC chambers for Auger

- ✓ Outdoor operation with minimum maintenance
  - ✓ Expected minimal gas flow : ~1 small (3 kg) bottle /3 years
  - ✓ Insensitivity to the environment
    - ✓ insensitive to humidity
    - ➡ very low temperature test to be carried
- ➡ Low power consumption
  - ➡ Requires integrated electronics
  - ➡ 1-10 mW / channel  
(depends on shaping, sampling,...)
- ✓ Affordable in large areas
  - ✓ 0.5x1 m<sup>2</sup> sealed chamber already developed
- ✓ Low cost

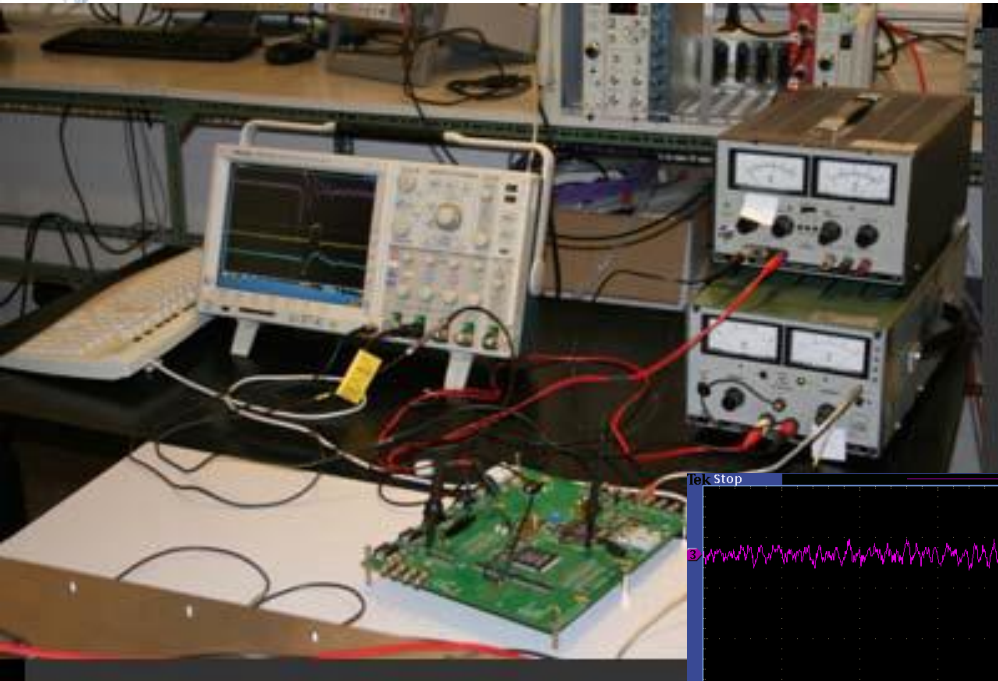


Radical humidity test  
The chamber is actually on!

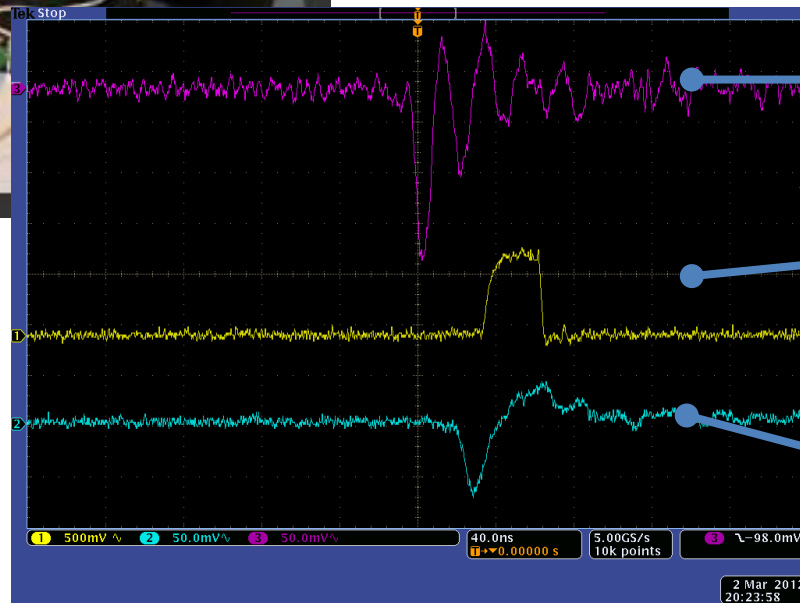


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Electronics based on the  
MAROC ASIC



RPC signal

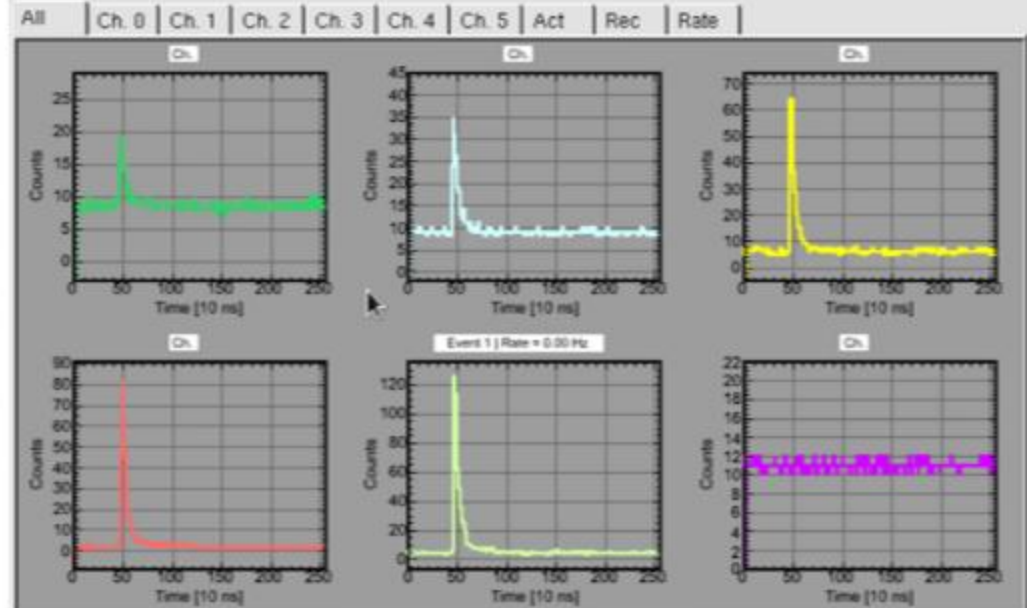
MAROC digital  
output

MAROC  
analog sum

A small Cosmic Ray detector  
Array of scintillators  
Installed at DF-IST rooftop

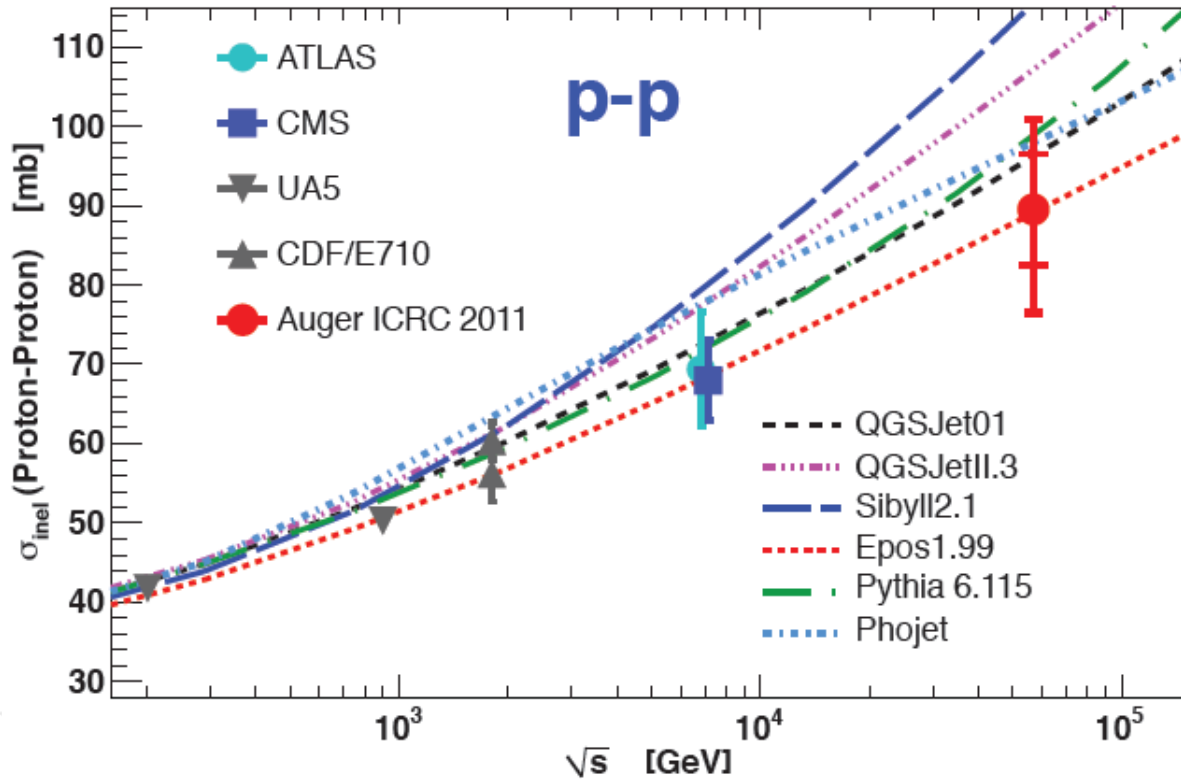


IPPAD signals



Under calibration...  
Next: Install RPCs

# Proton cross-section



We have to do it at higher energies



A cosmic background radiation map, likely from the COBE satellite, showing temperature fluctuations across the sky. The map uses a color scale where blue represents cooler regions and red/yellow represents warmer regions. A prominent bright, elongated feature is visible in the upper left, and a large, bright, irregularly shaped region is in the lower right. The background is a dark, grainy field of stars.

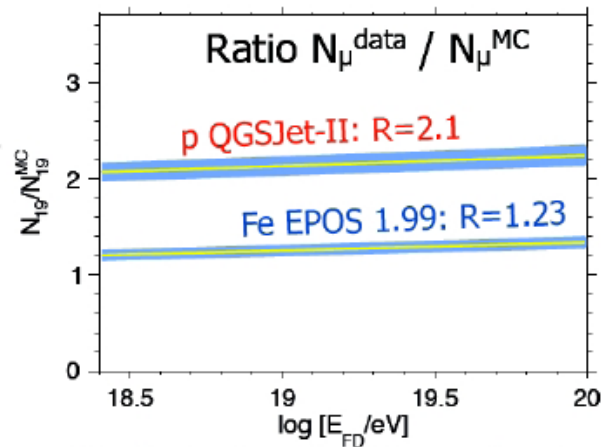
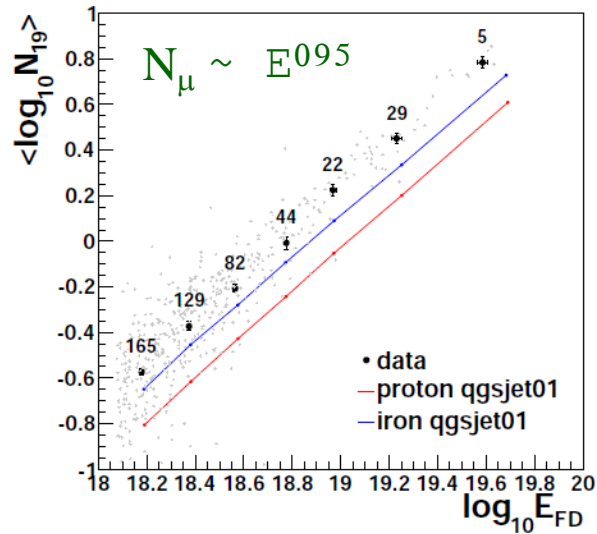
*The Biggest accelerators  
give access to  
Particle Physics @ 100 TeV scale*

*Thank you.*

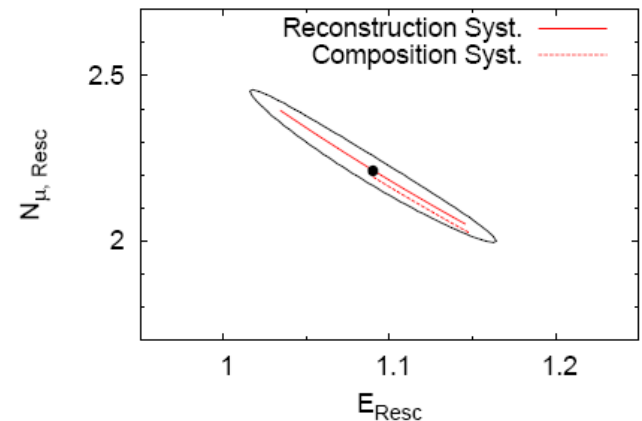
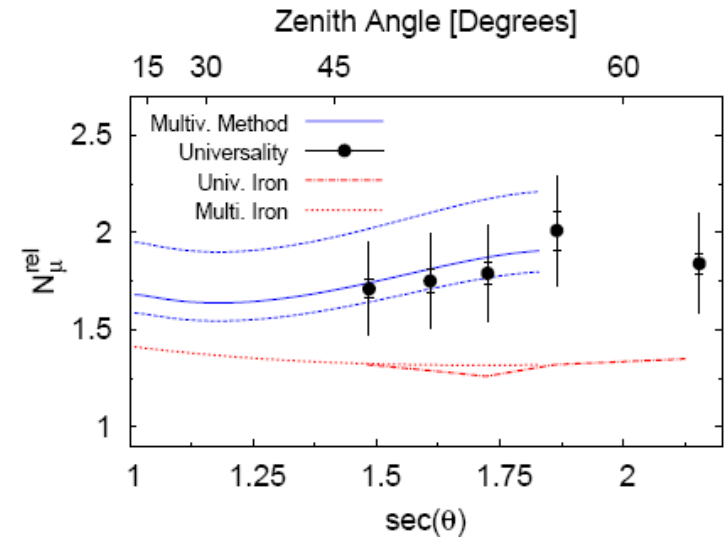
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# Number of muons

## Inclined events



## Multivariate and Universality

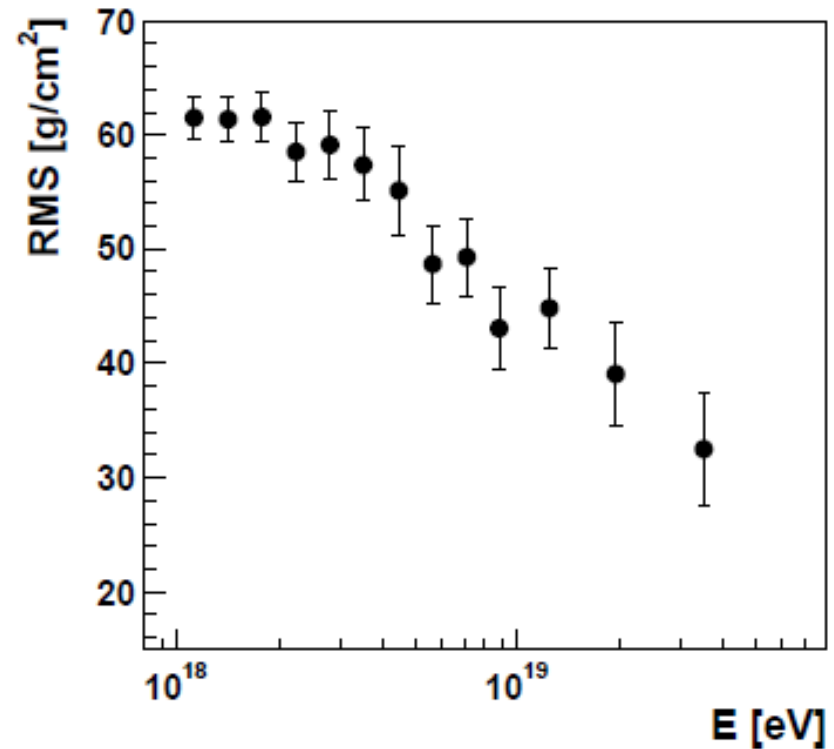
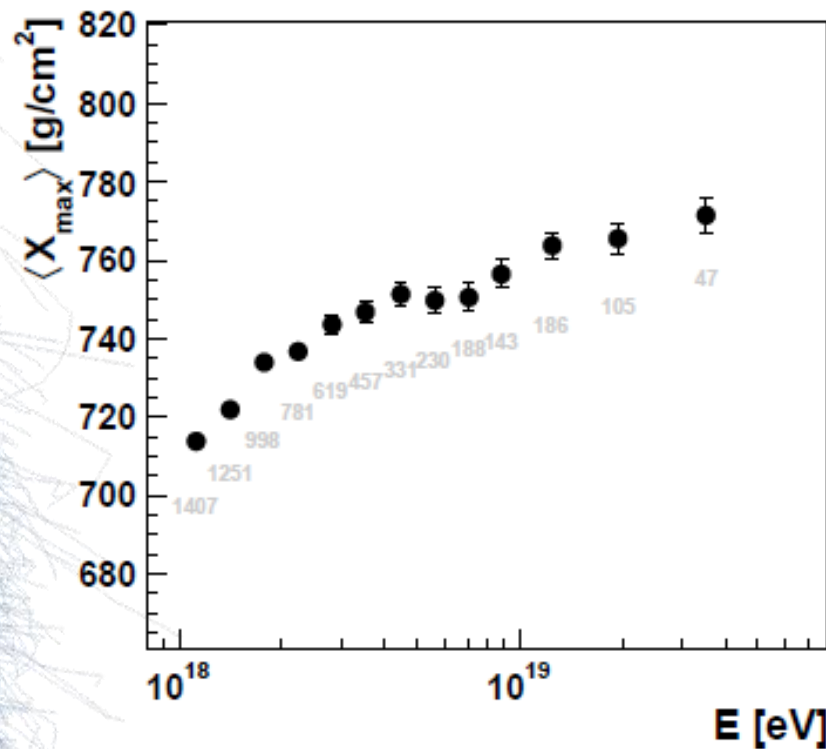


A significant excess of Muons is observed that can not be explained by composition alone



# The results – What?

Xmax distributions



# Extensive Air Showers

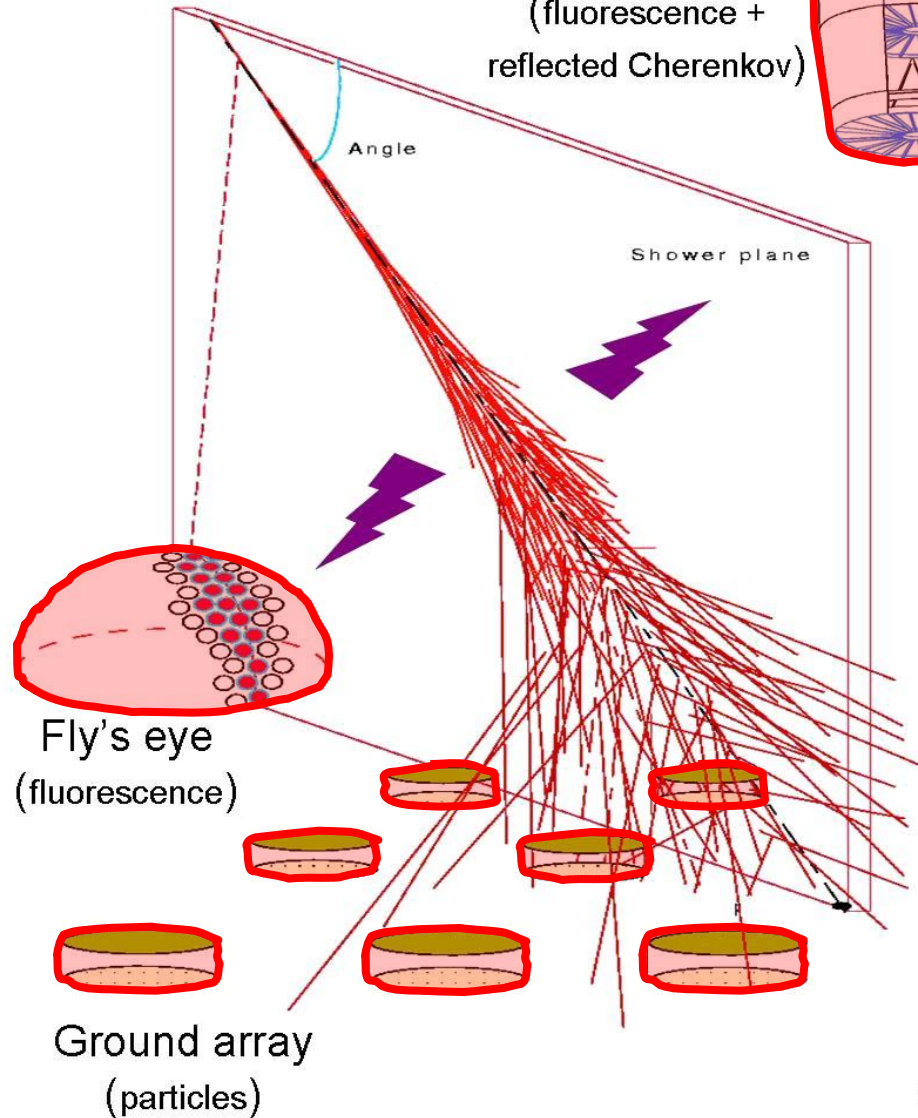
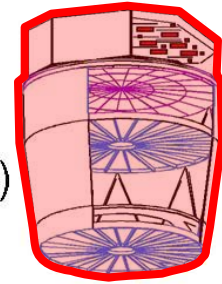
Ground array

Fluorescence Telescope

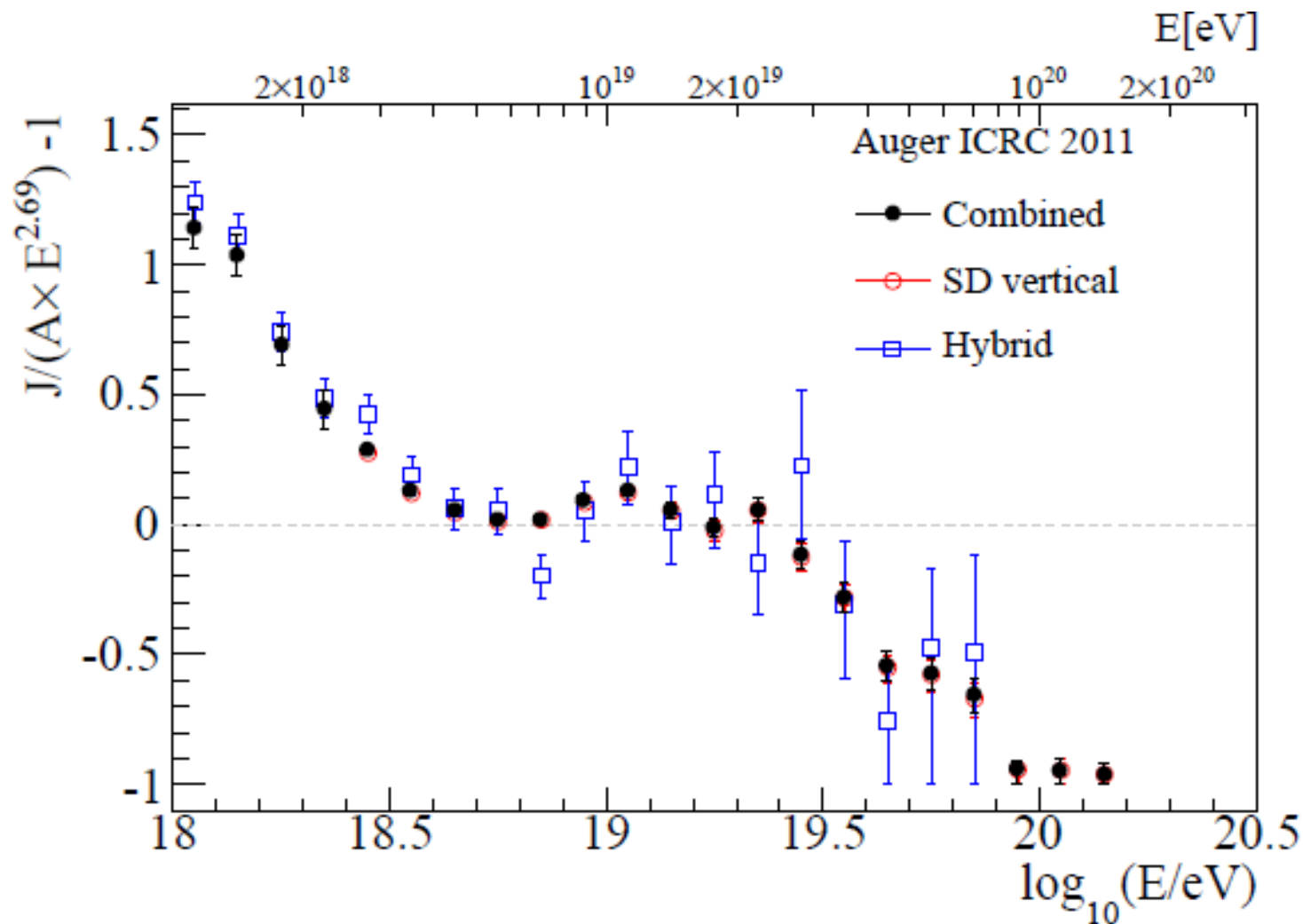
Cherenkov Telescope

Space Telescope

EUSO  
(fluorescence +  
reflected Cherenkov)

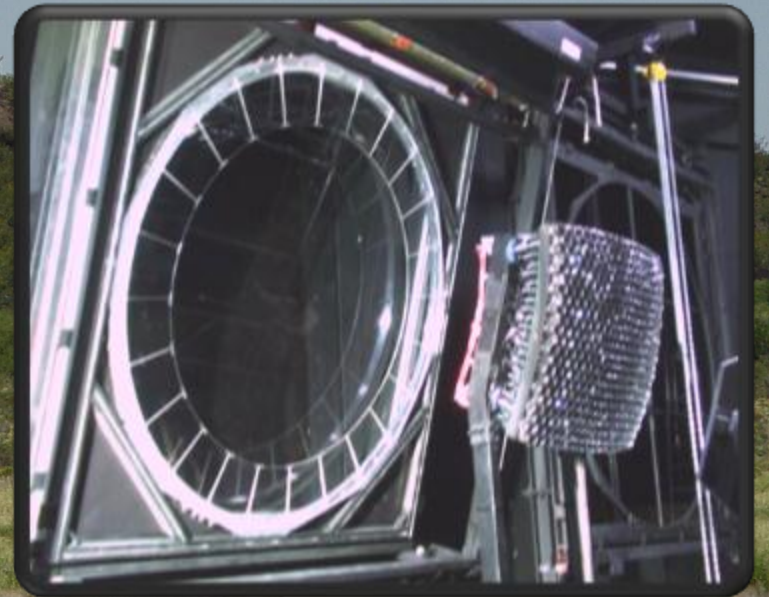
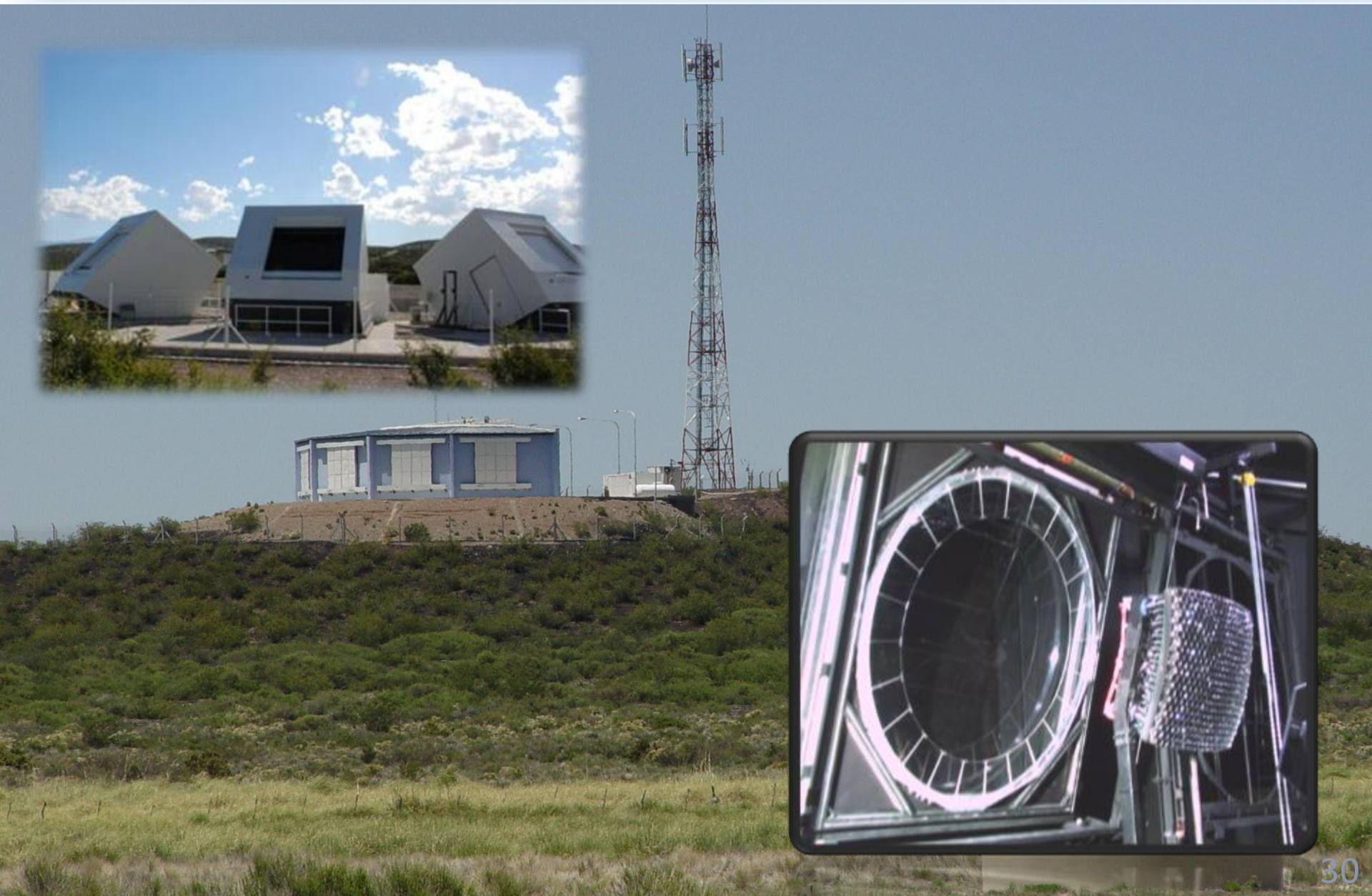


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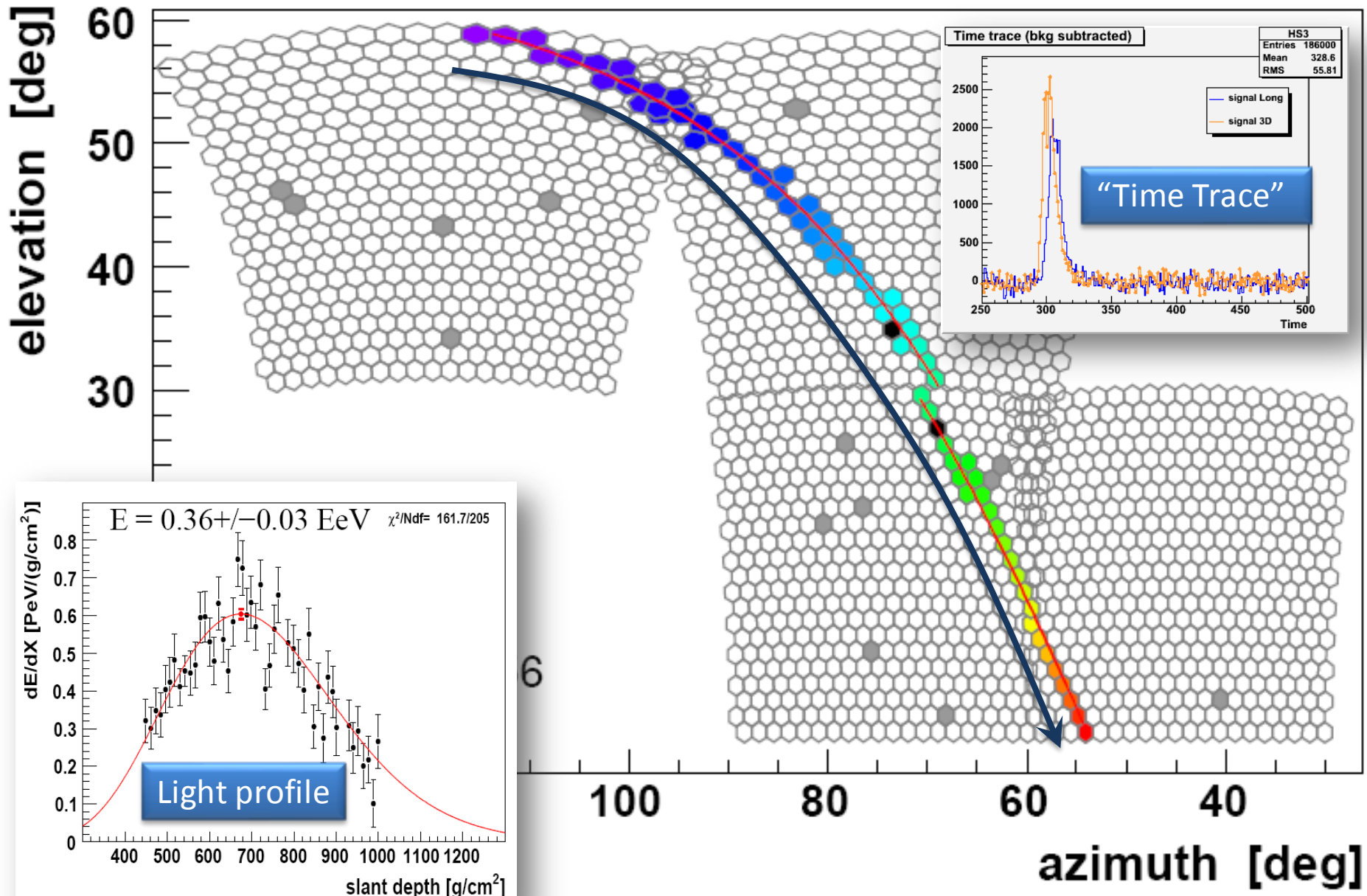




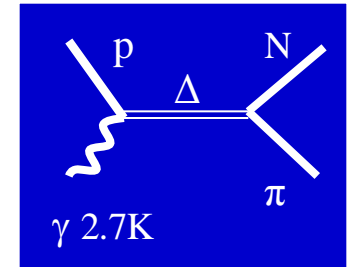
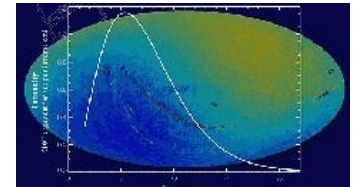
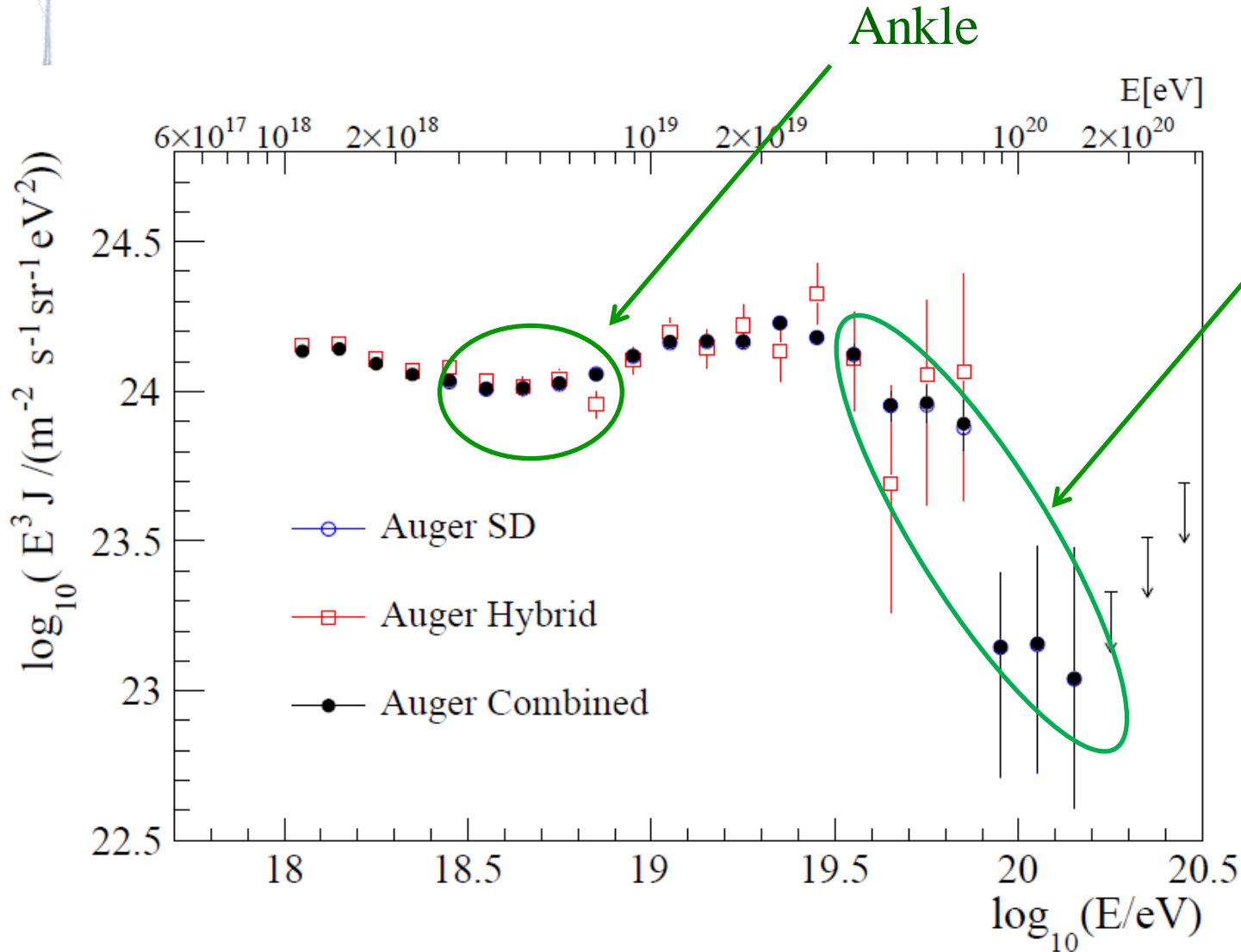
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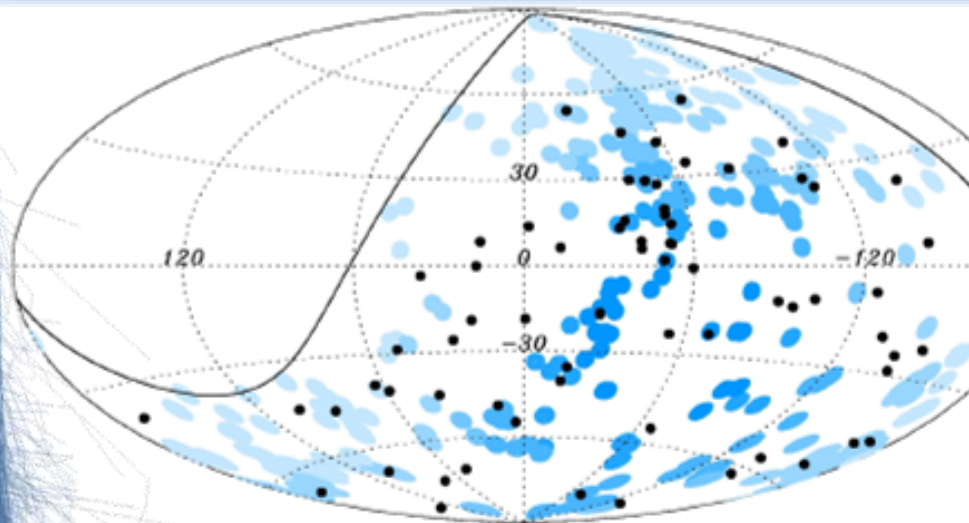
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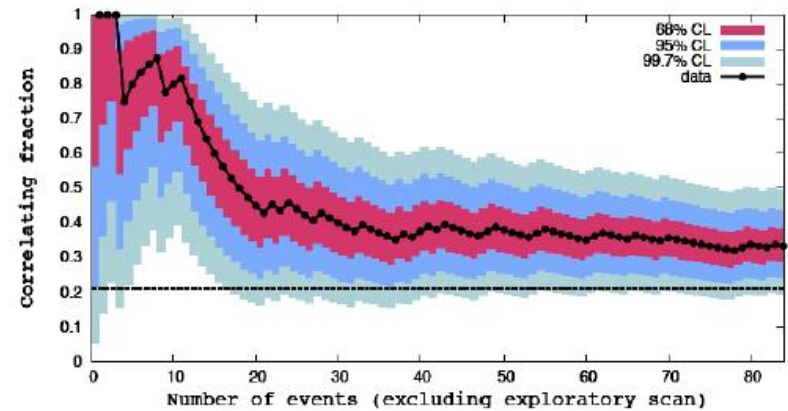
GZK like  
suppression !!!



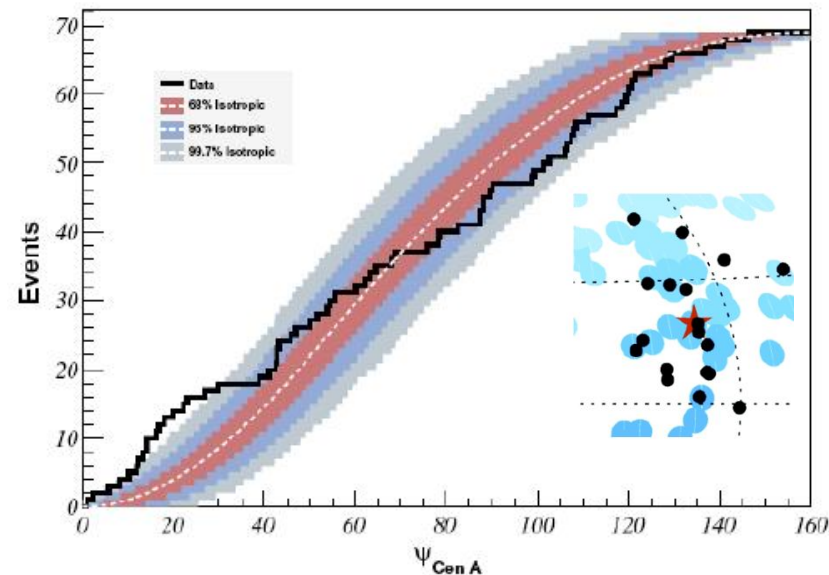
# The results – from where?



Vernon-Cetty-Vernon AGN catalog  
 $E > 57 \text{ EeV}$ ,  $z < 0.018$ , distance  $< 3.1 \text{ deg}$ .



28 out of 84 correlate



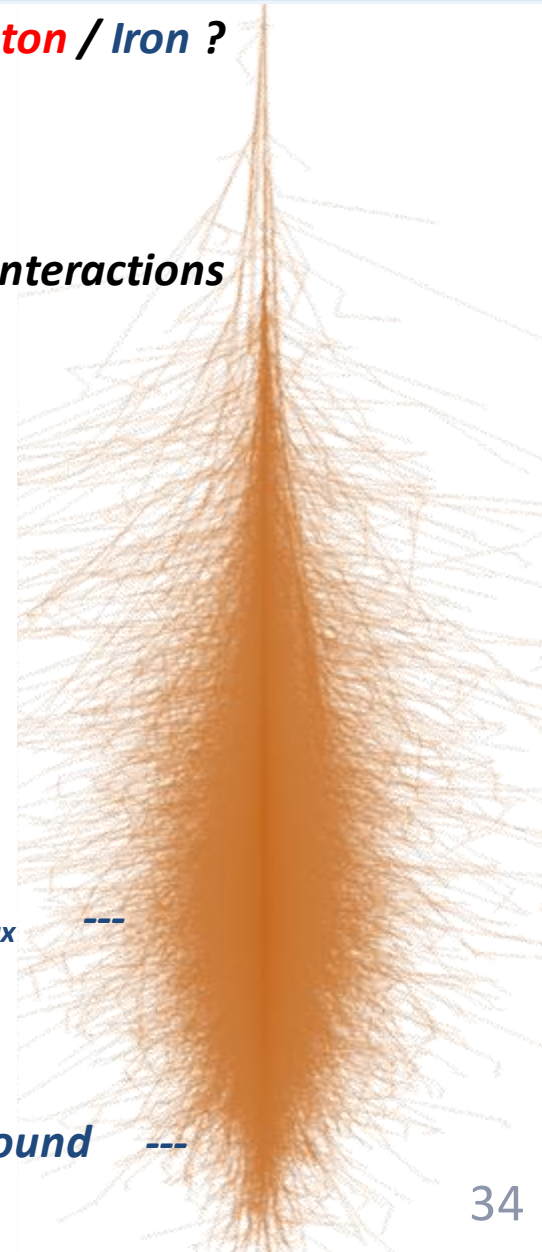
- **Primary particle** is inferred through the shower behavior
  - $X_{\max}$ , Signal at ground...
- High energy **Hadronic Interactions**
  - Rule the shower development
  - Large uncertainties
    - Extrapolation from accelerator data (forward region)
    - New phenomena?
      - $E=10^{19}$  eV  $\rightarrow$  (  $\sqrt{s} = 100$  TeV )
- Multivariate analyses

*Proton / Iron ?*

*Hadronic Interactions*

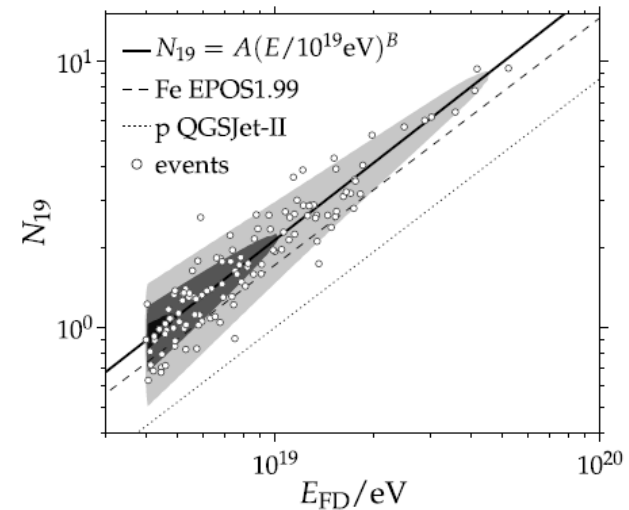
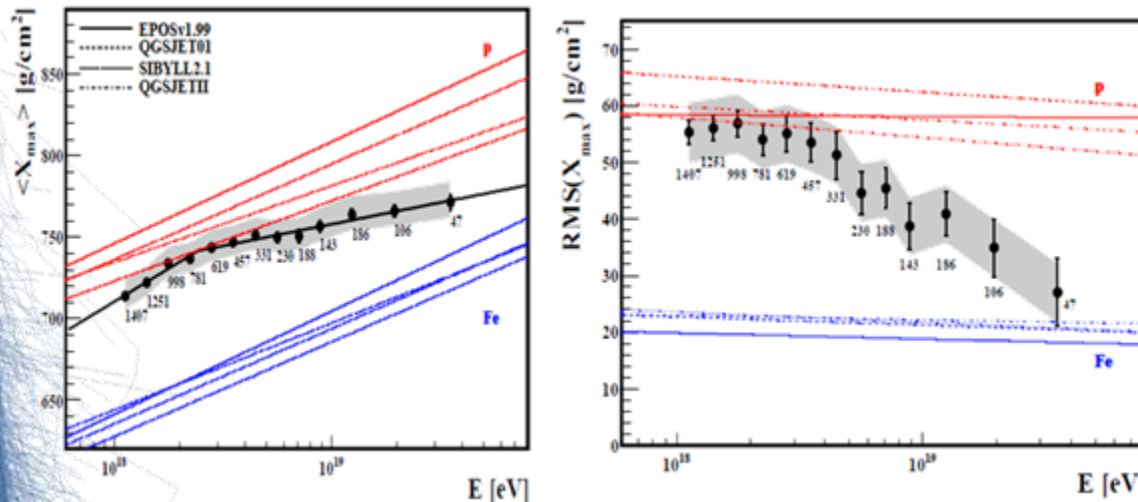
$X_{\max}$  ---

*Particles at ground* ---



# Data and Simulation

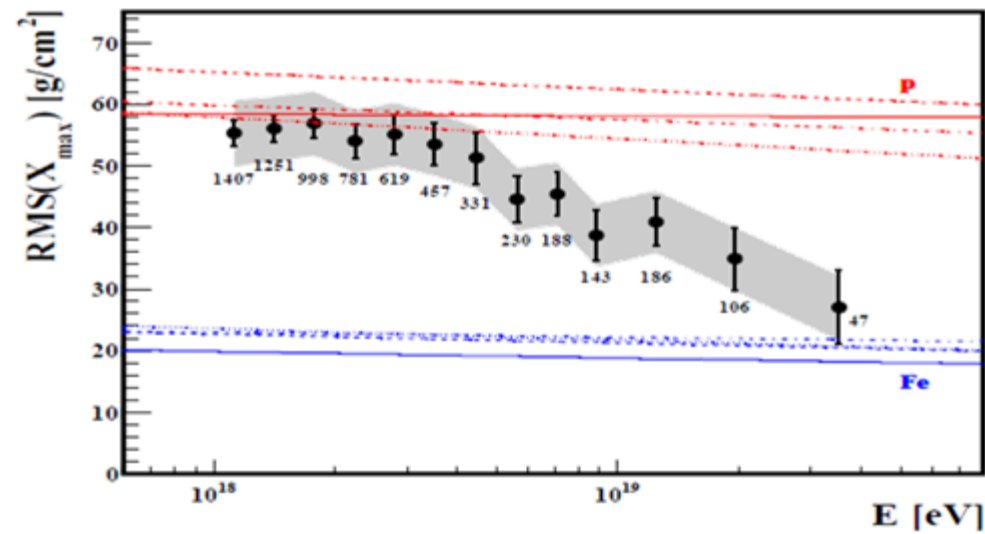
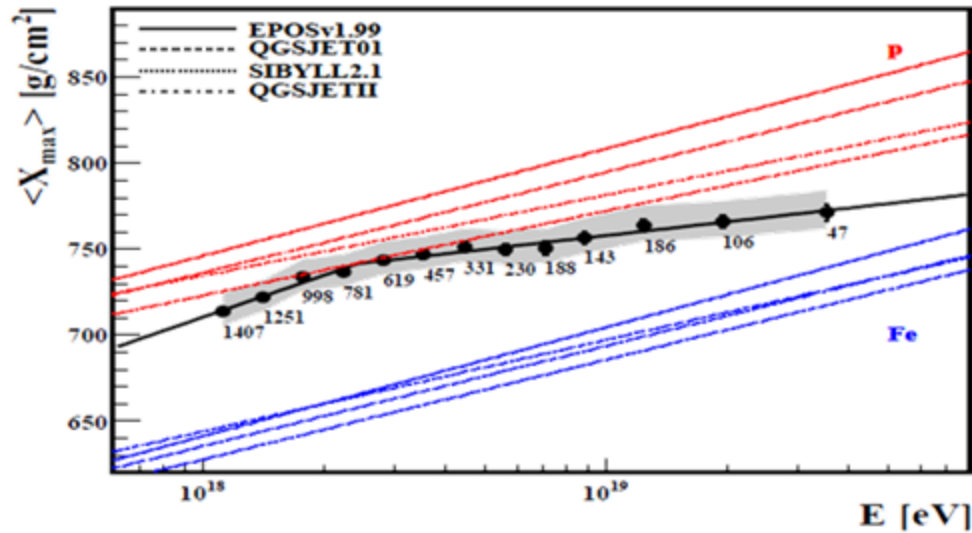
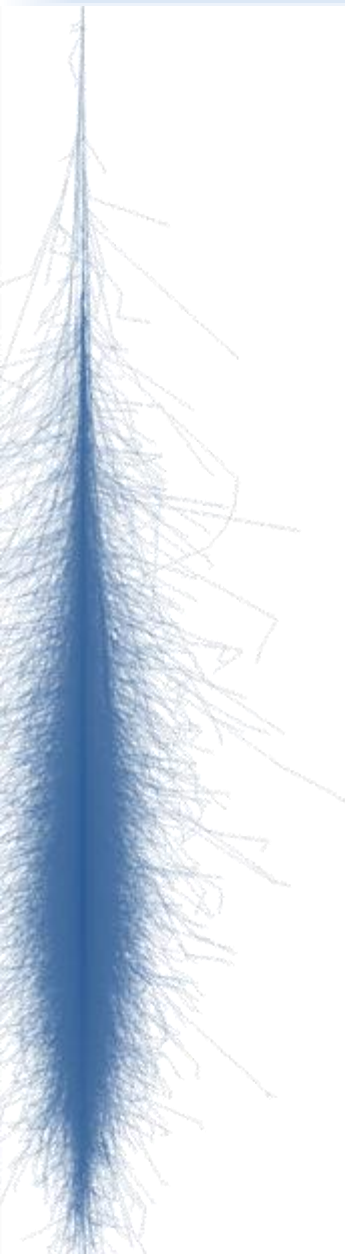
- Pierre Auger Observatory Data



- Average  $X_{\max}$  and its fluctuations
- Number of muons at ground
- Simulation
  - CONEX (50 000 shower per energy per primary)
  - QGSJET-II.03

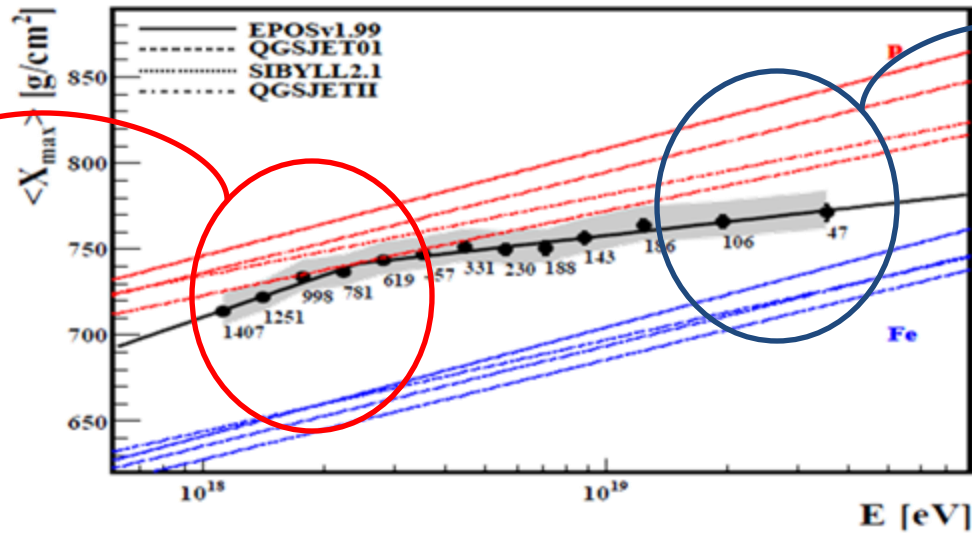


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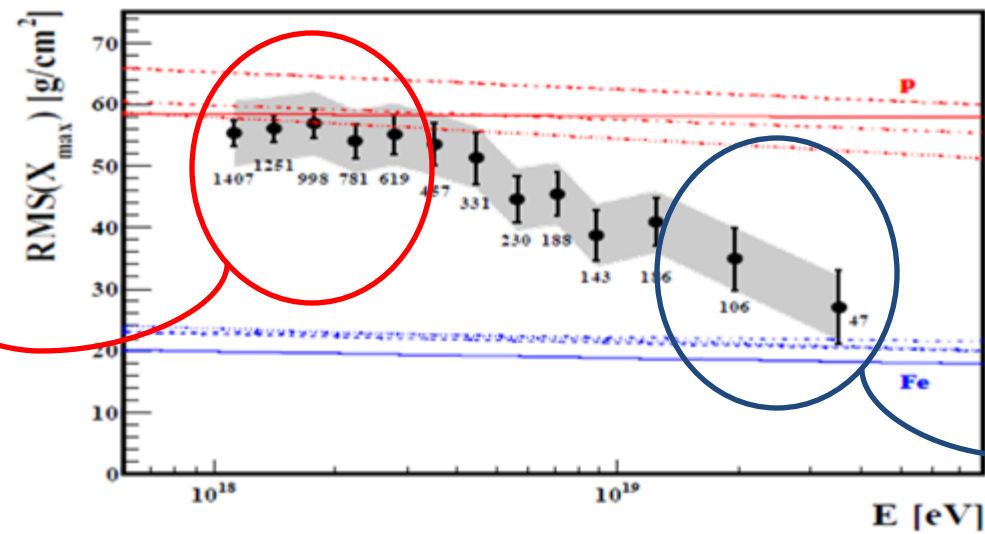


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*Light*

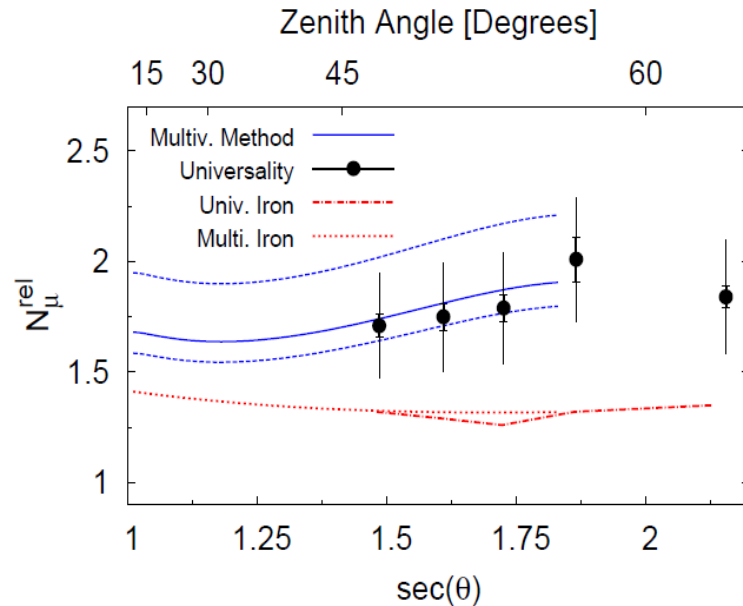


*Heavy*

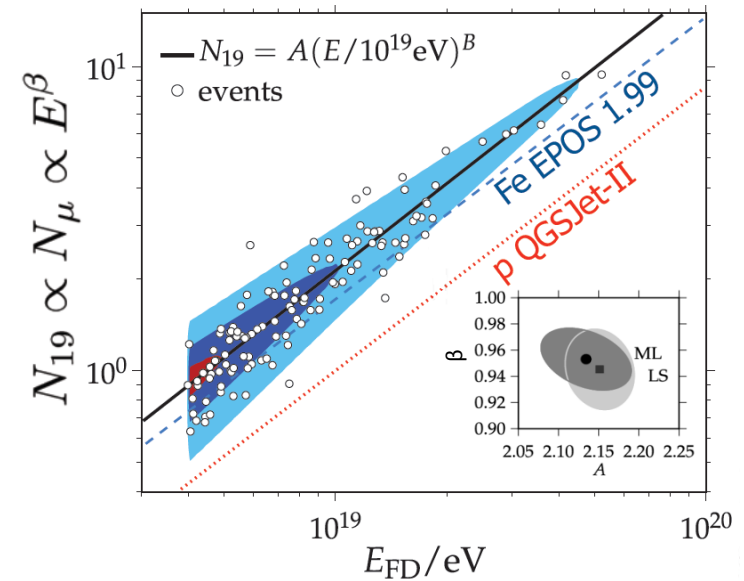


# Number of muons at ground

## Vertical Showers



## Inclined Showers



- Muon deficit in EAS simulations for **ALL** hadronic interaction models even considering iron primaries
  - Indication of incorrect description of high energy hadronic interactions
- $N_{\mu}$  is also sensitive to composition





# EXPLORING POSSIBLE SCENARIOS

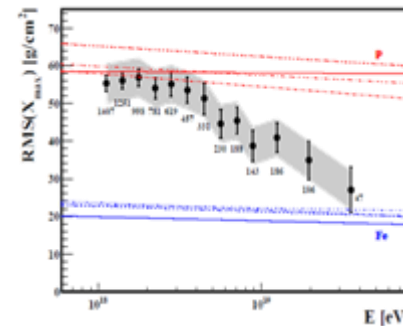
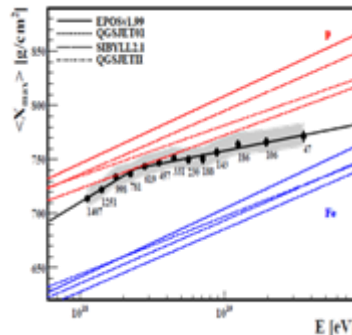
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  - Cross-section increase

*In line with many other works*

*Here considering only simple and extreme scenarios*

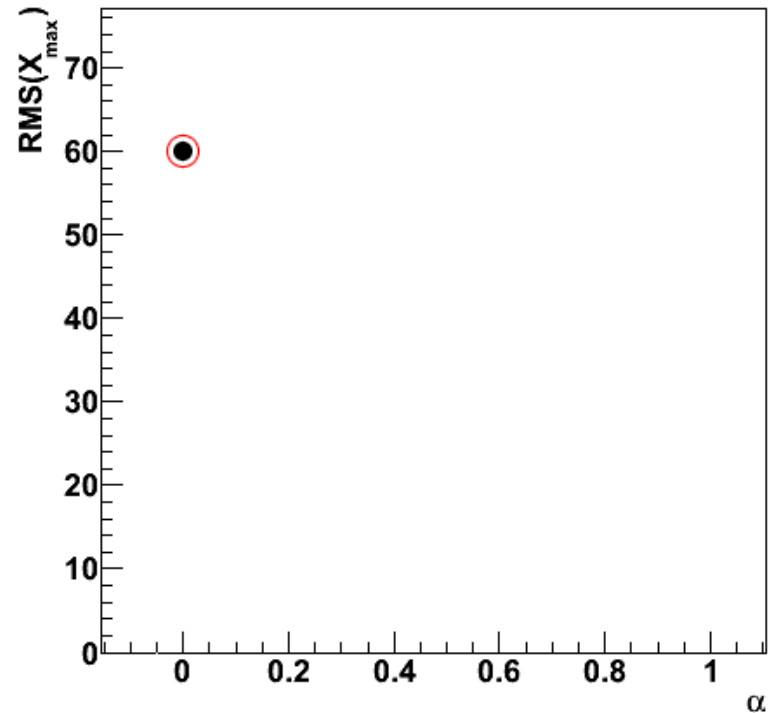
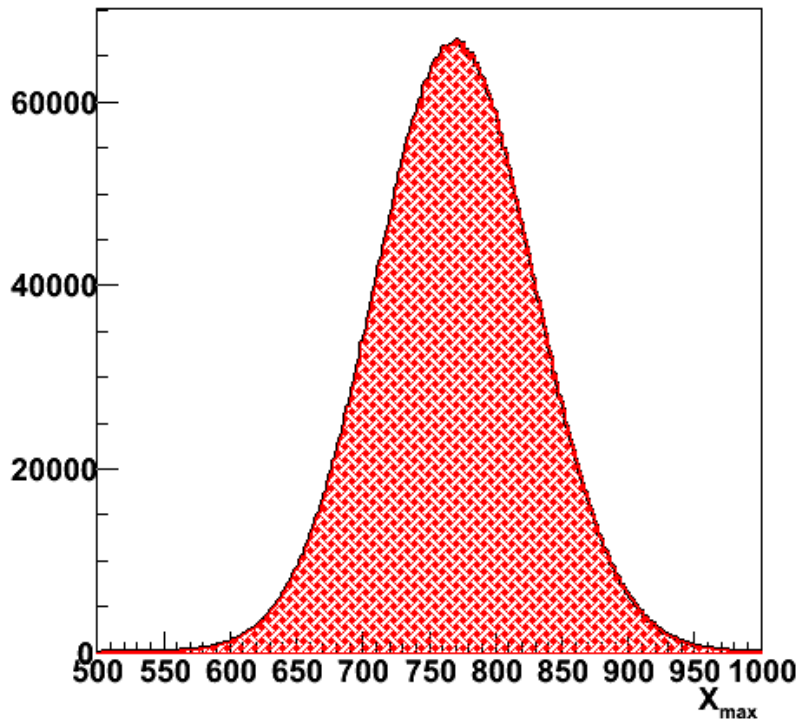
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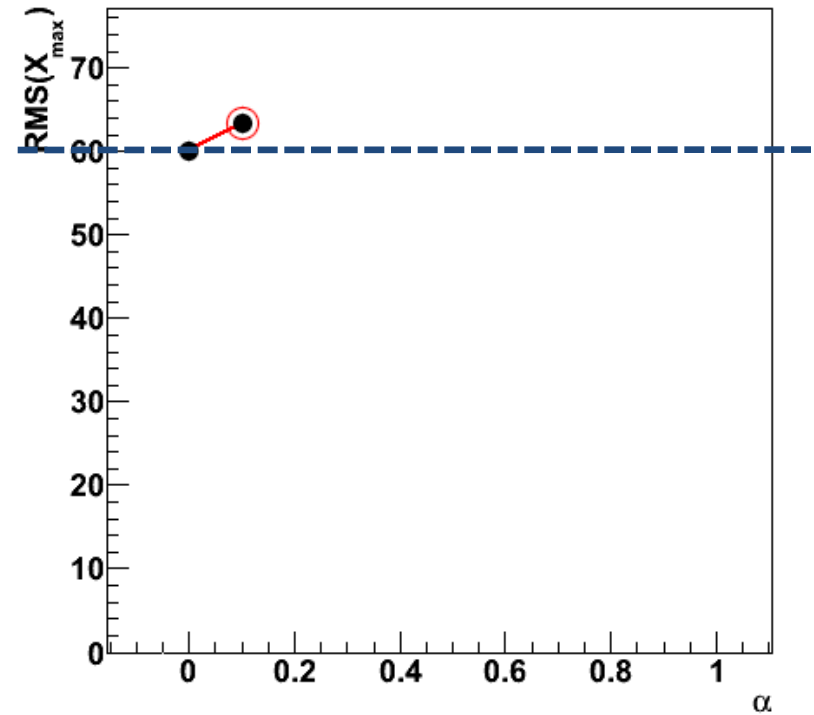
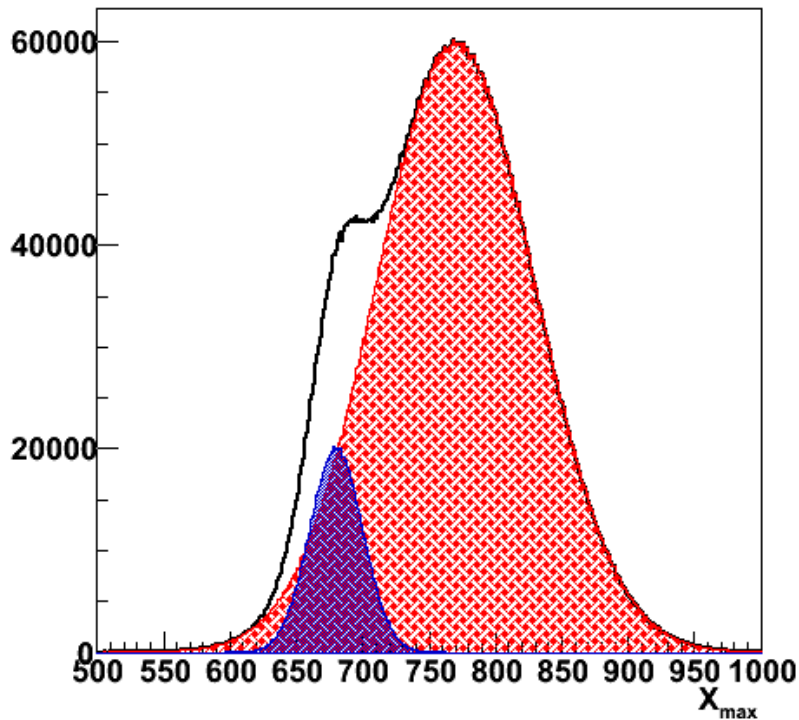
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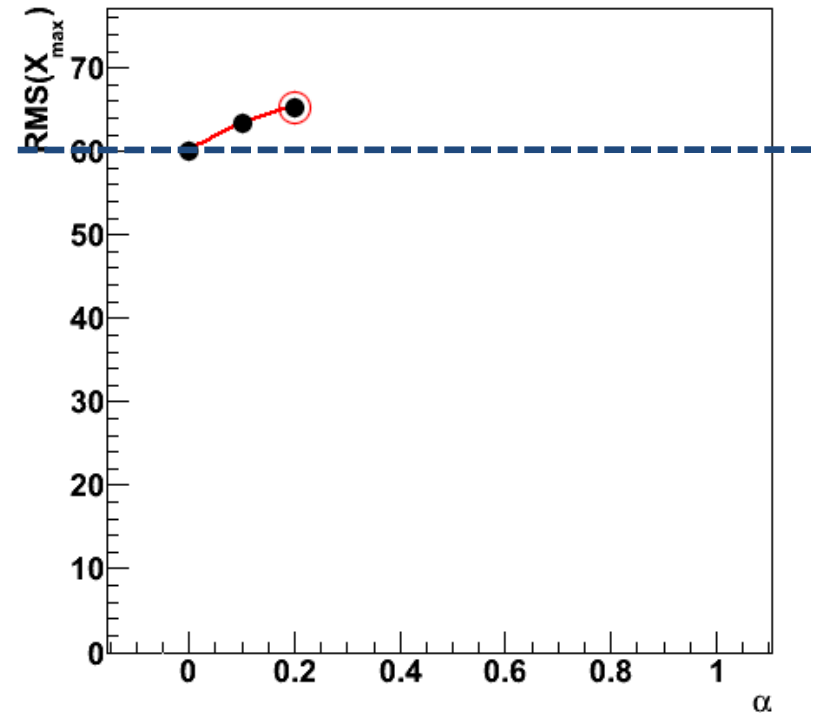
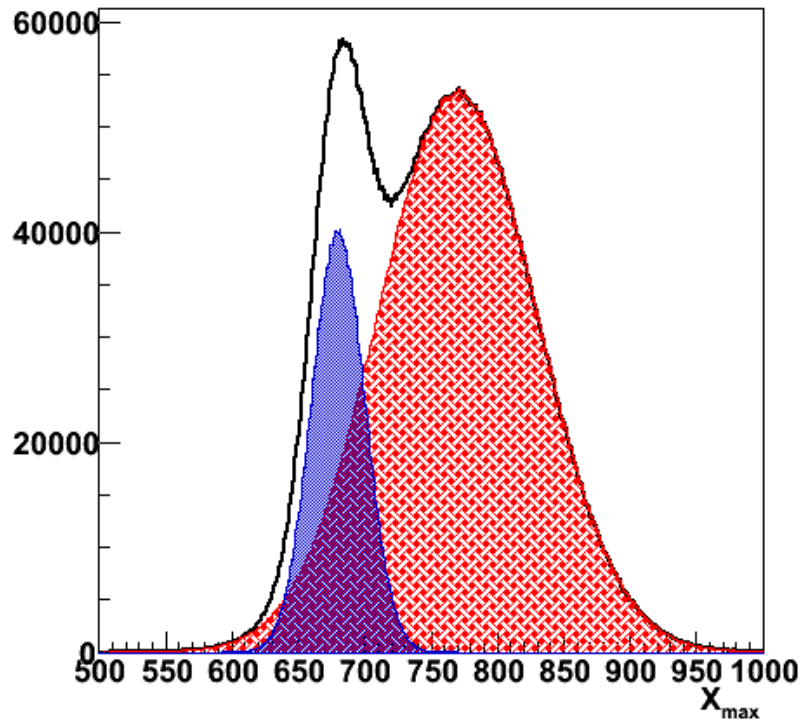
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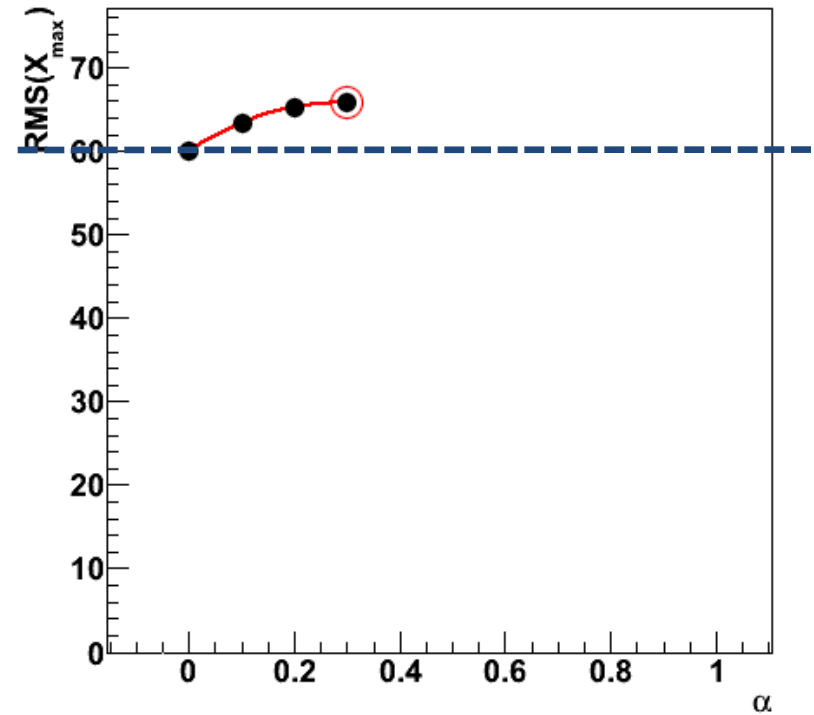
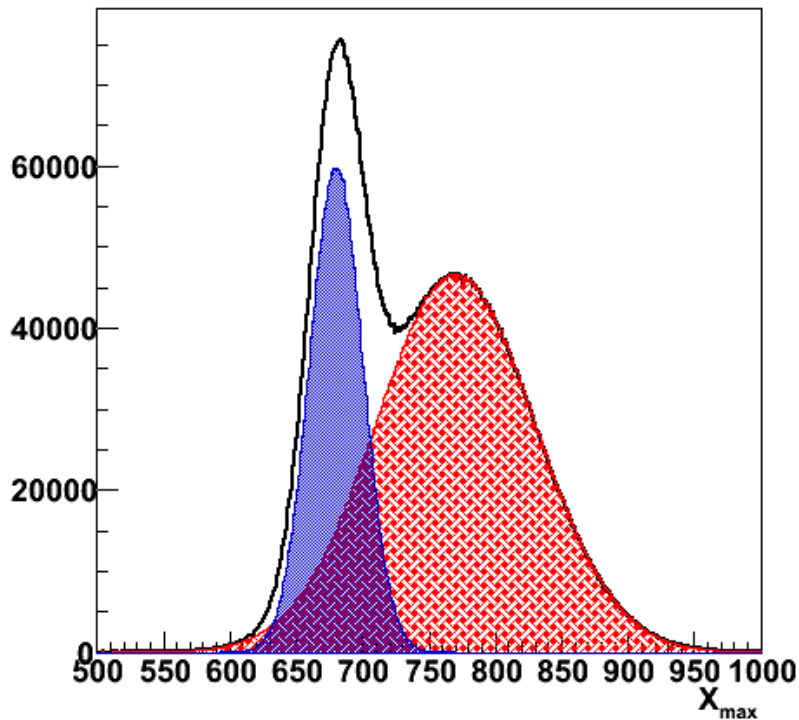
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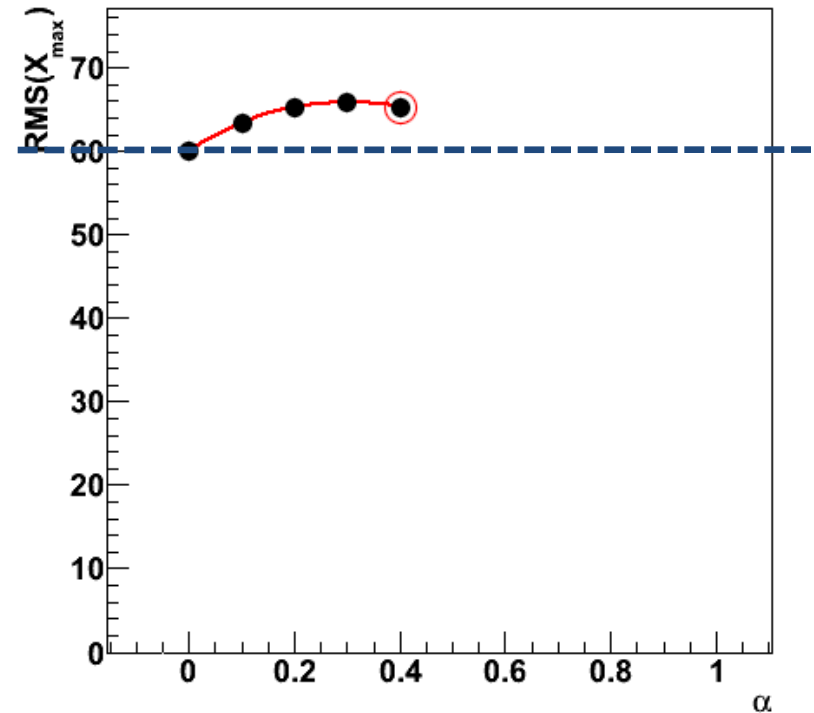
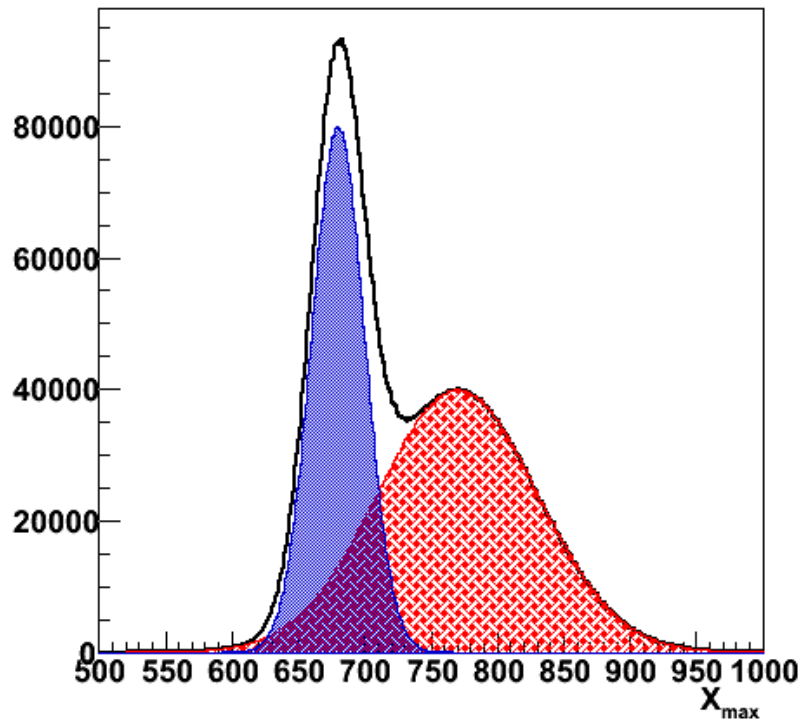
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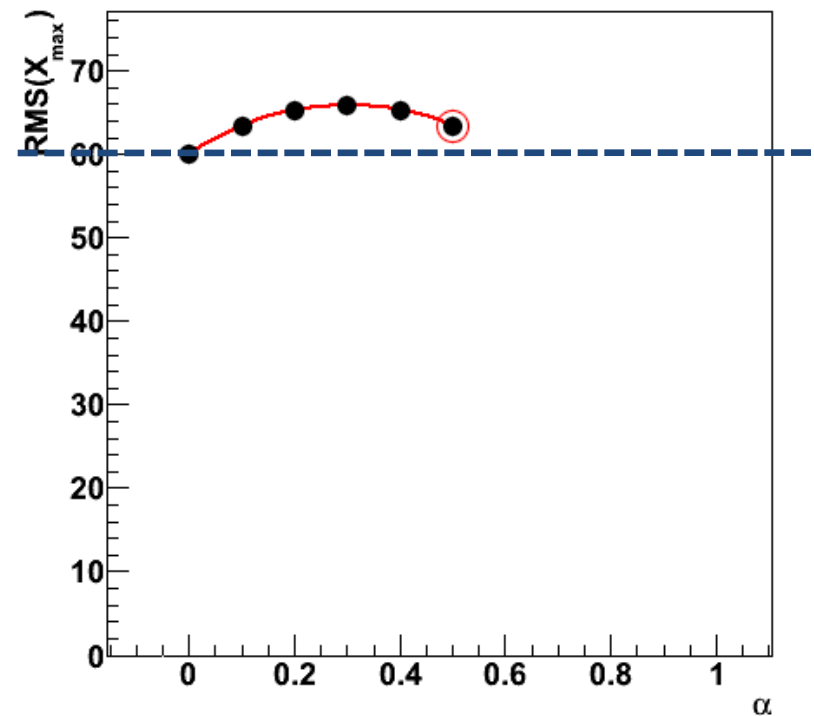
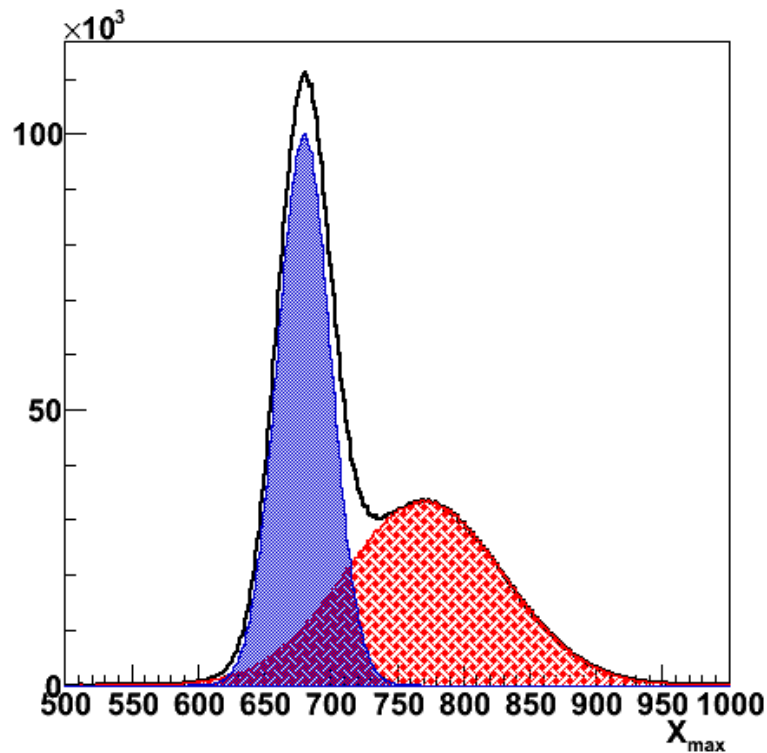
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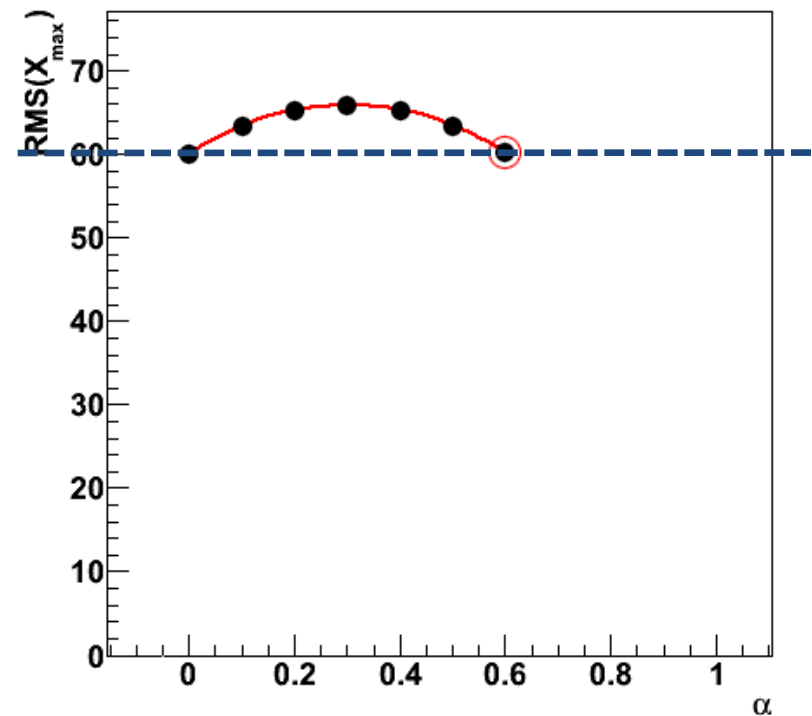
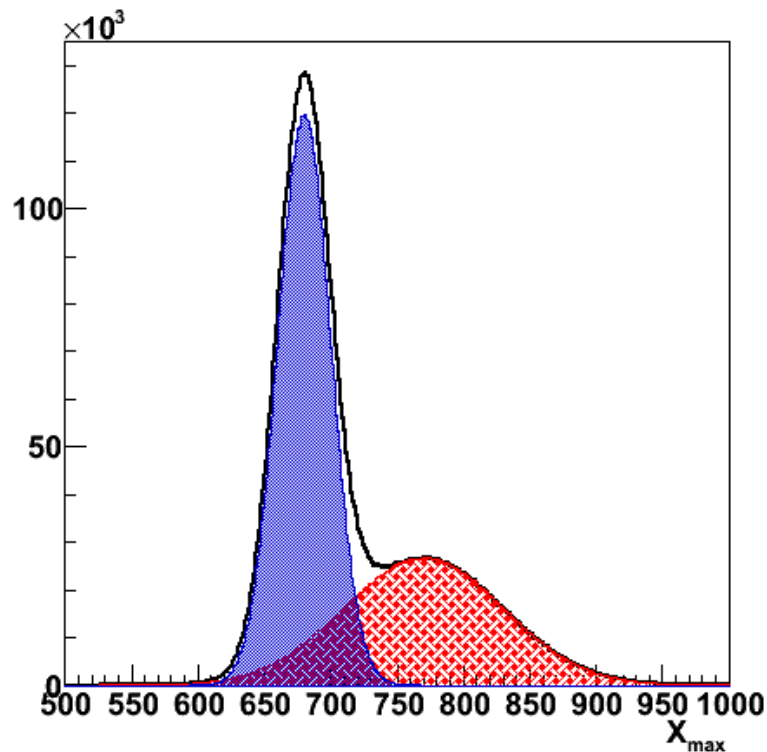
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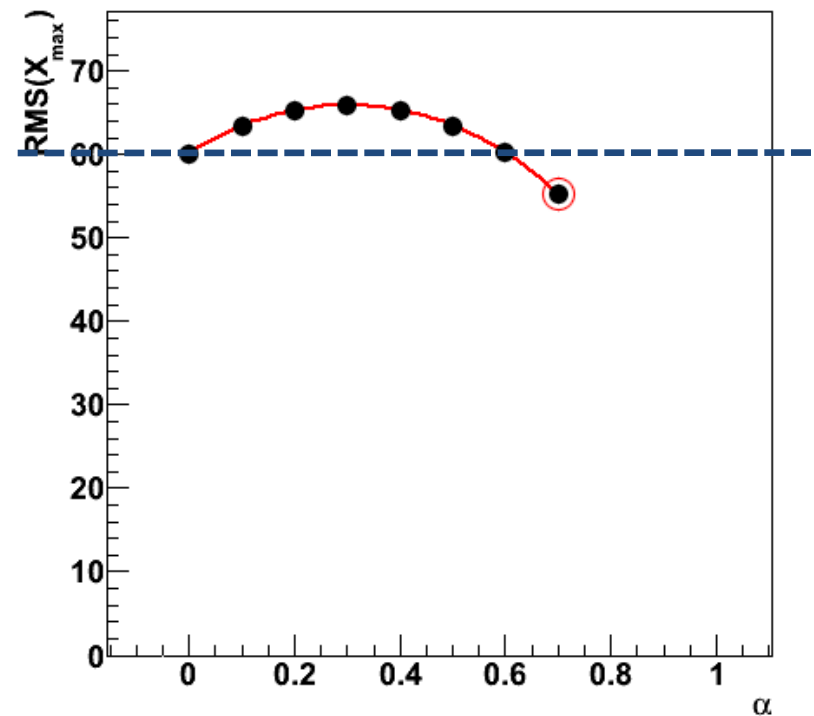
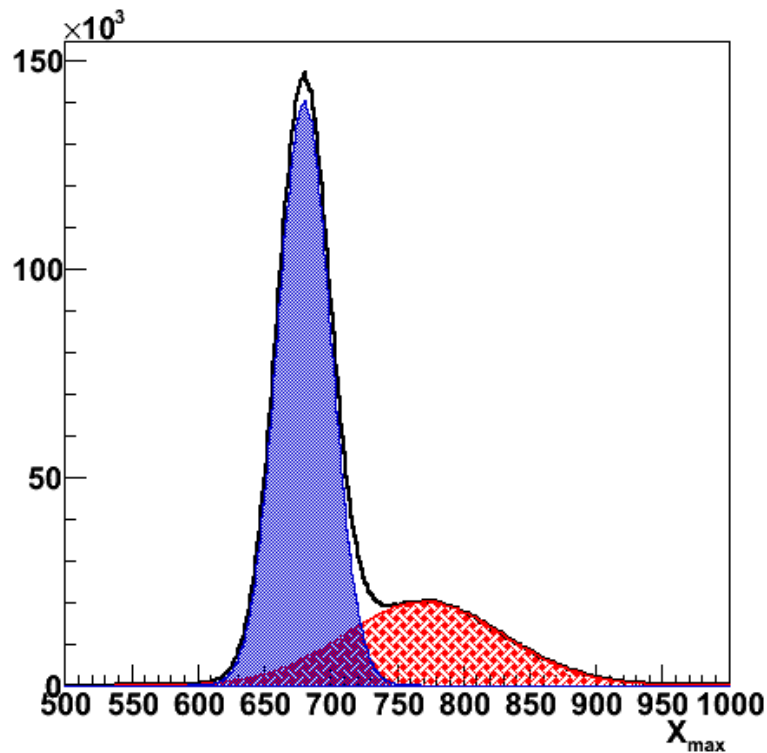
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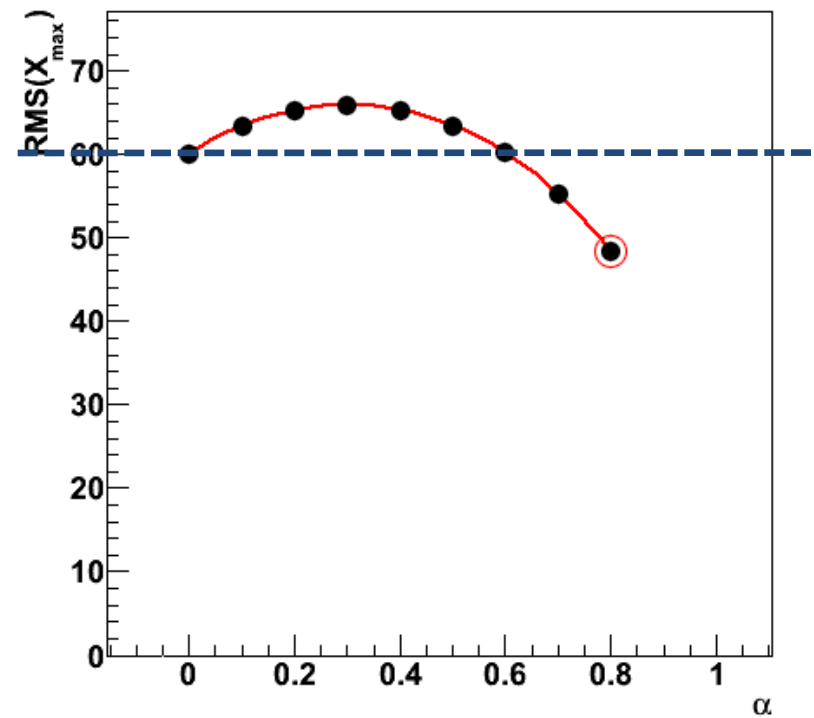
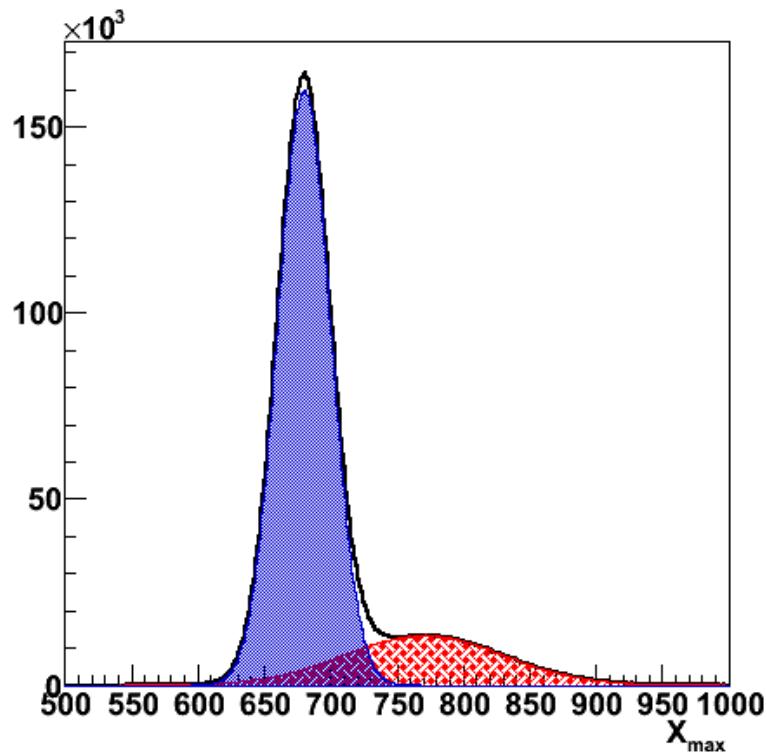
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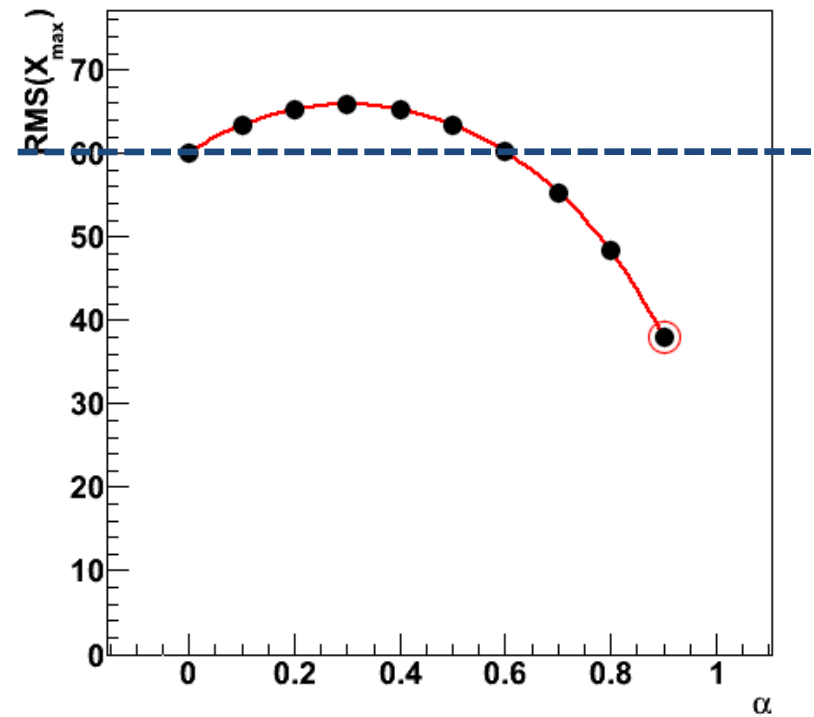
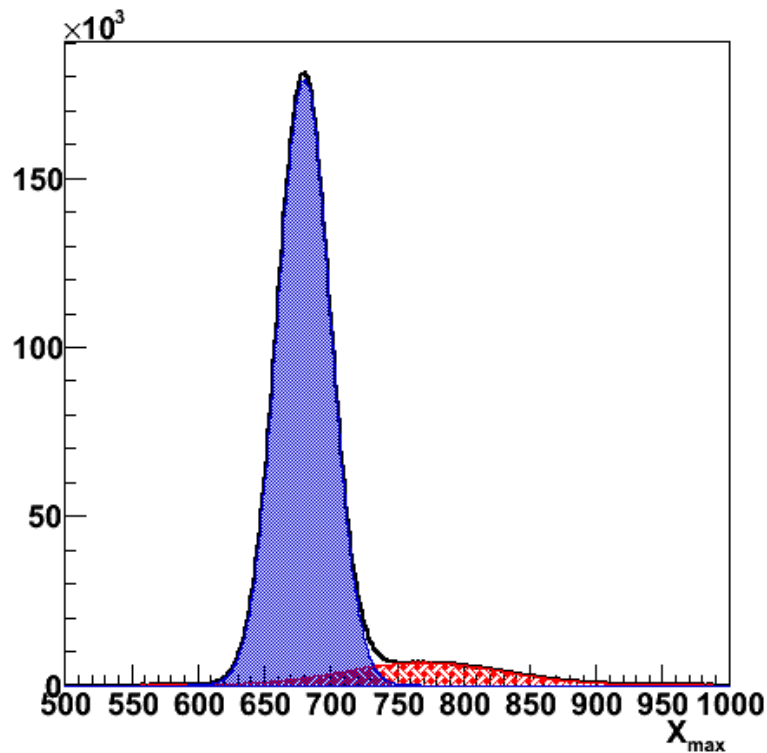
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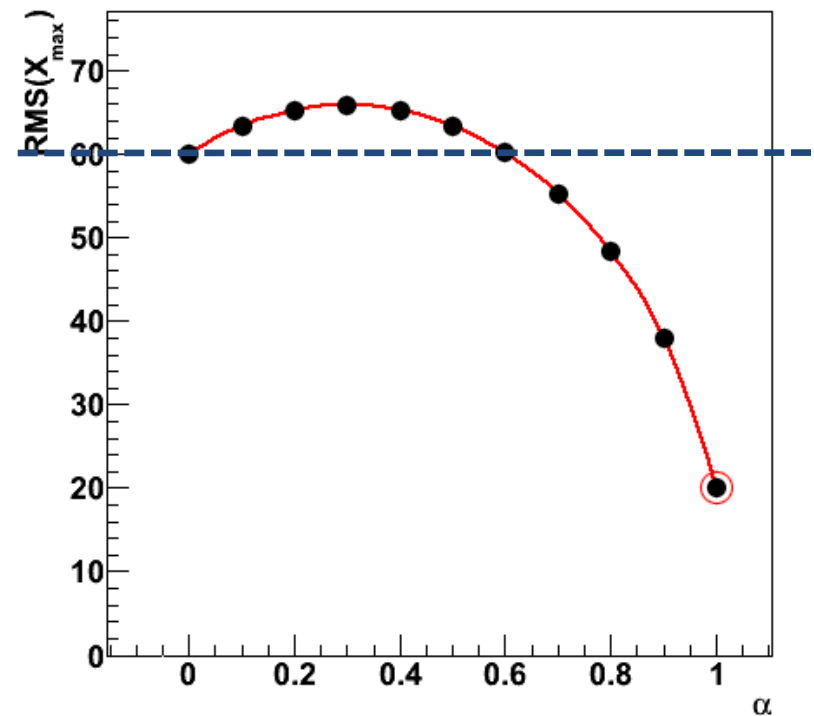
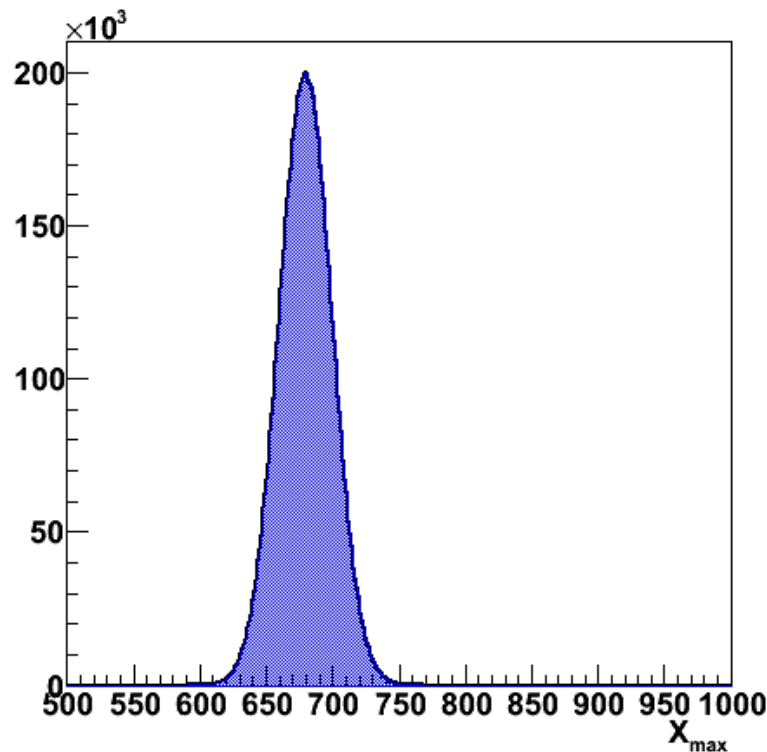
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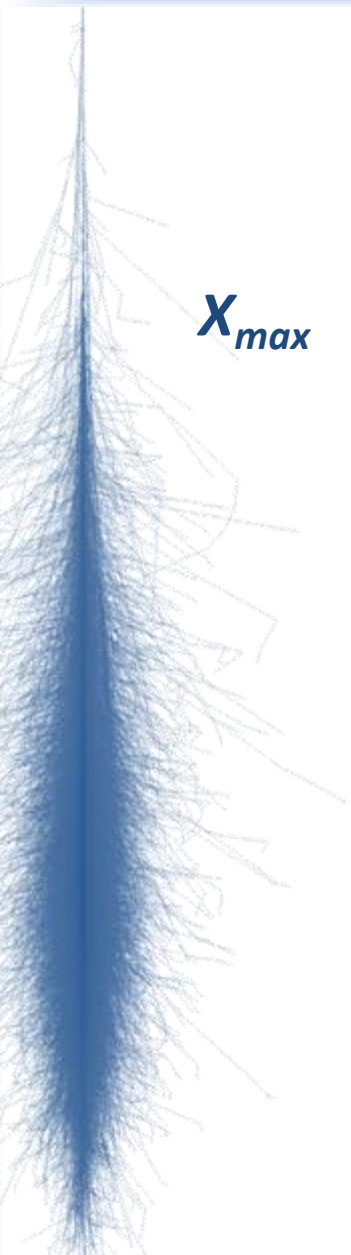
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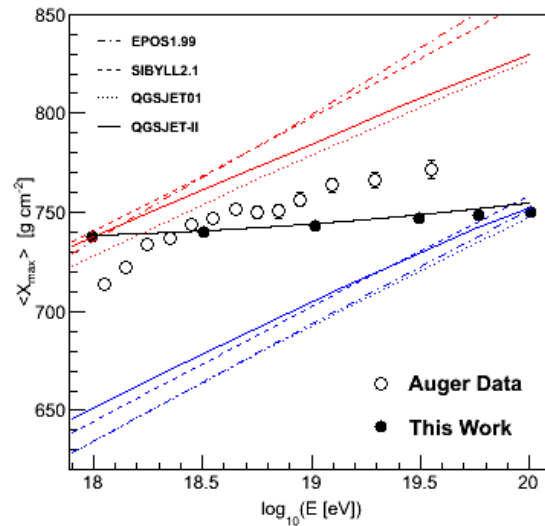


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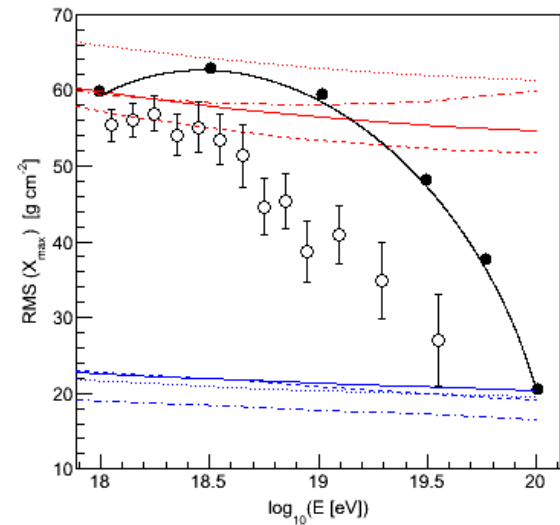
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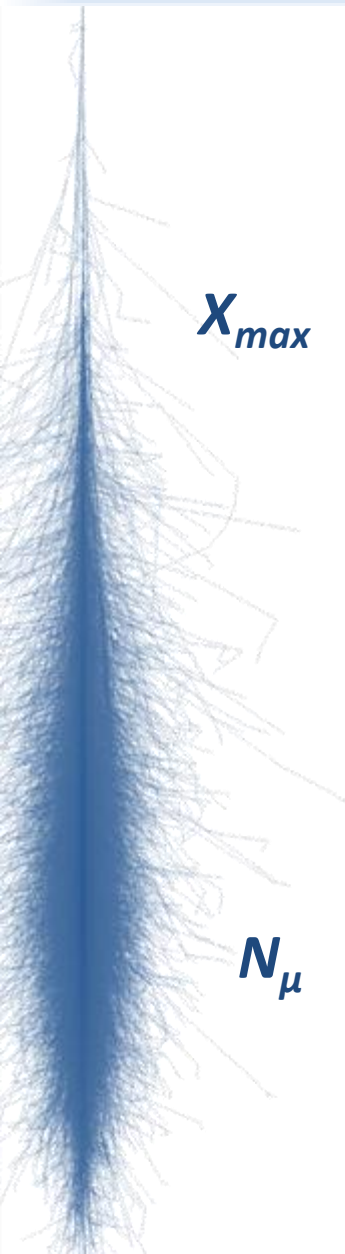
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*RMS*



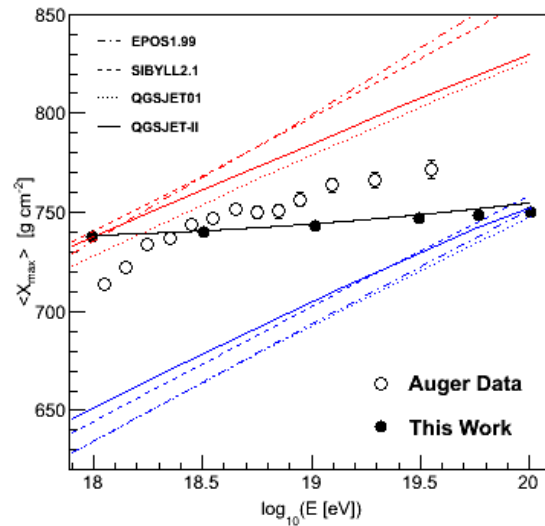
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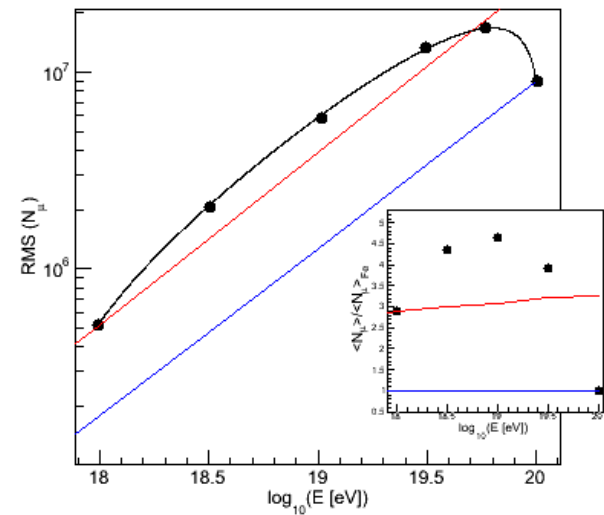
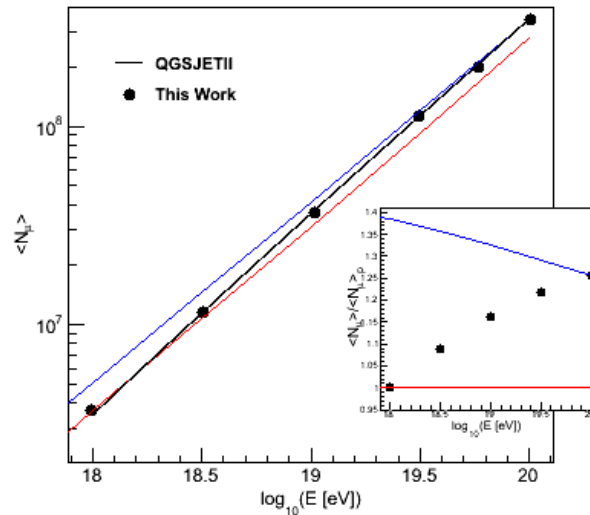
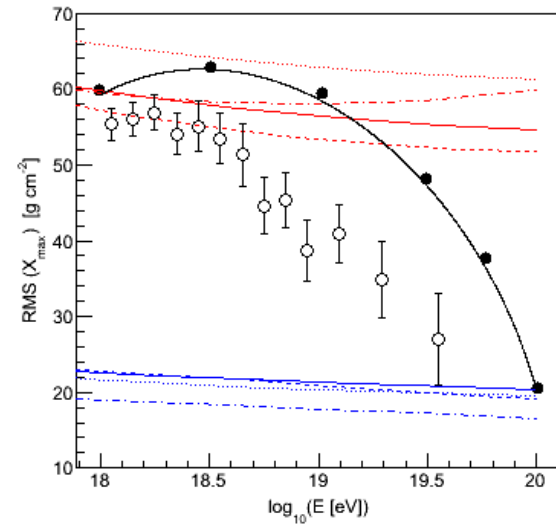
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$N_{\mu}$

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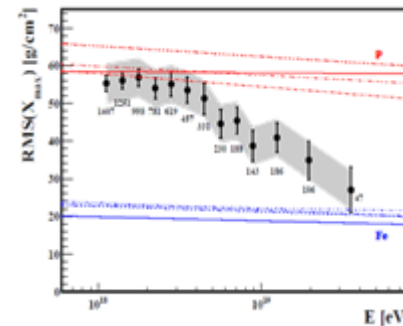
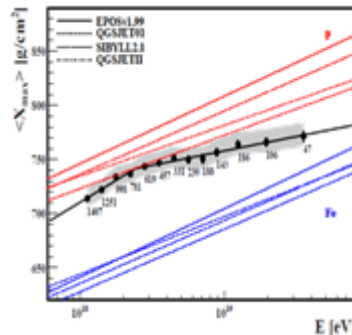
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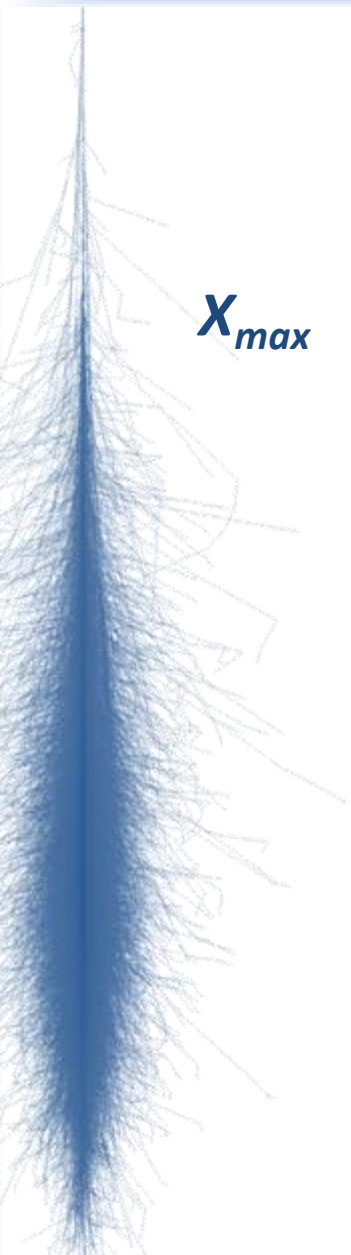


# EXPLORING POSSIBLE SCENARIOS

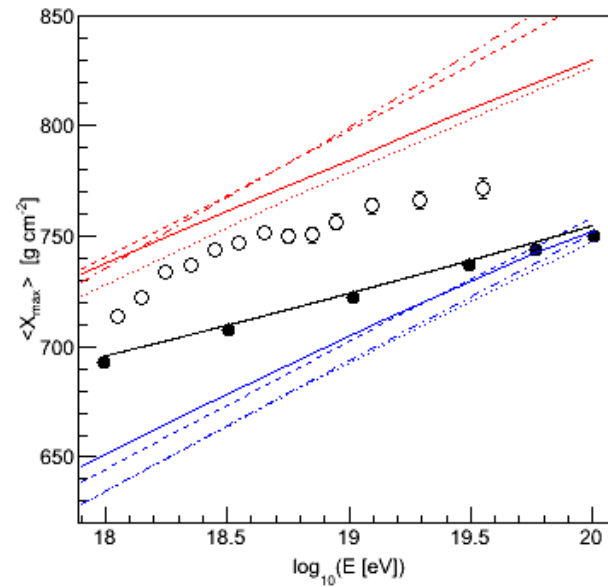
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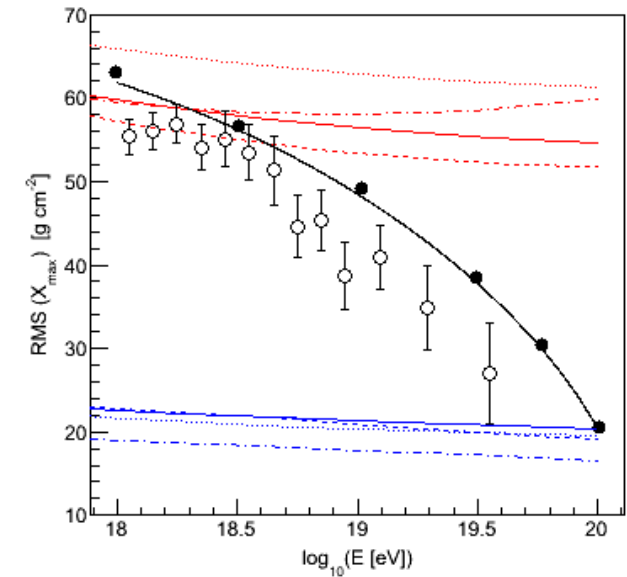
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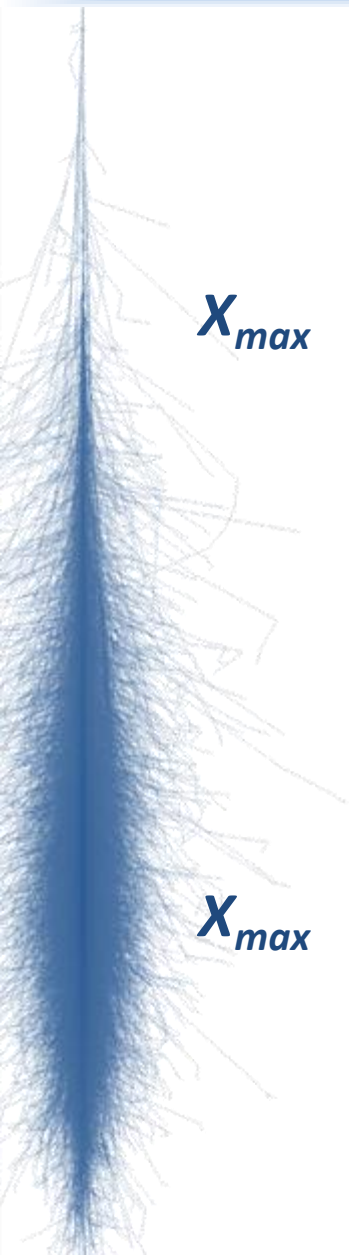
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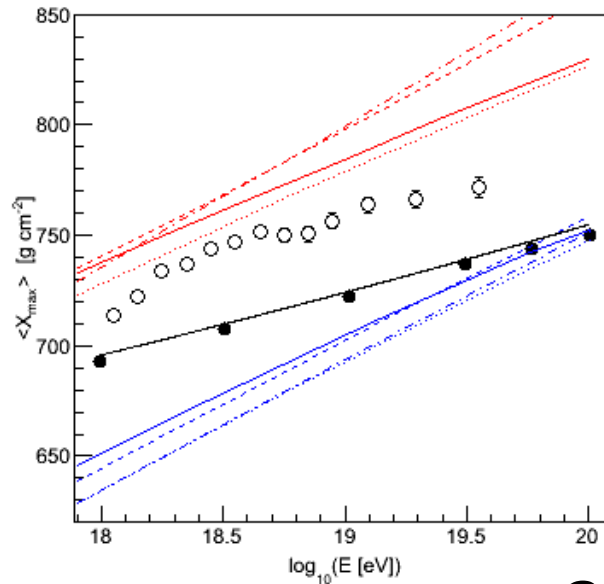
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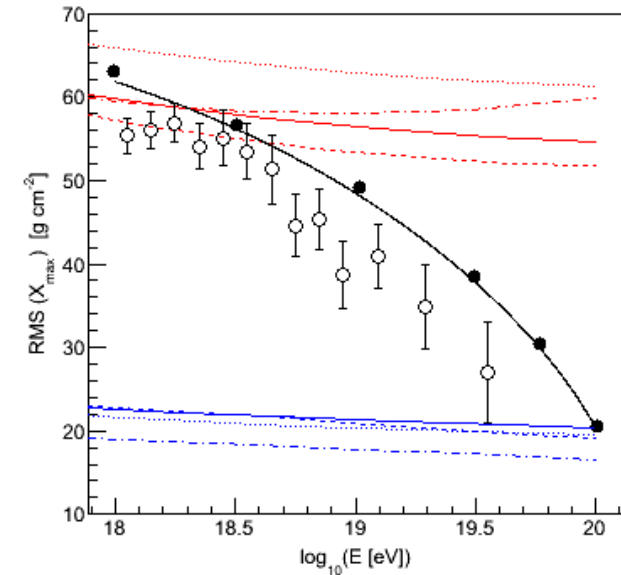
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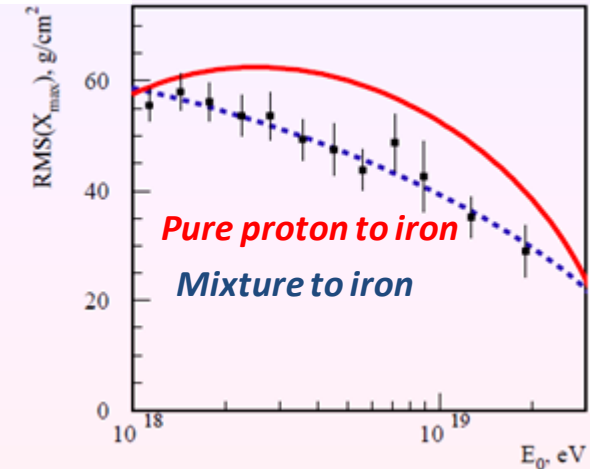
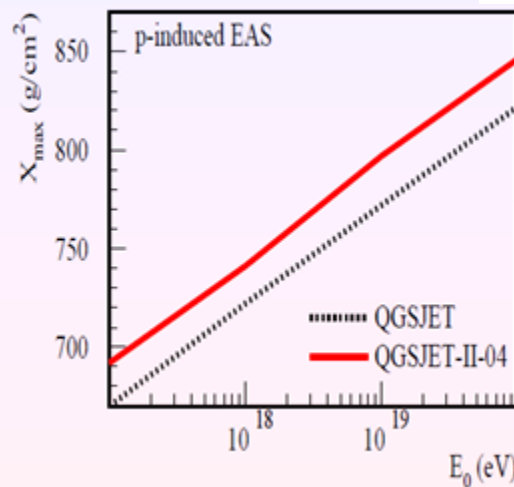
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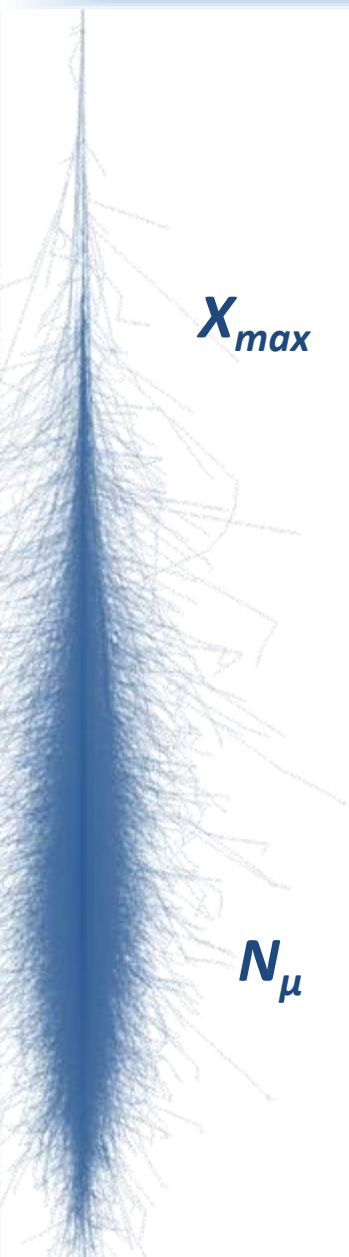


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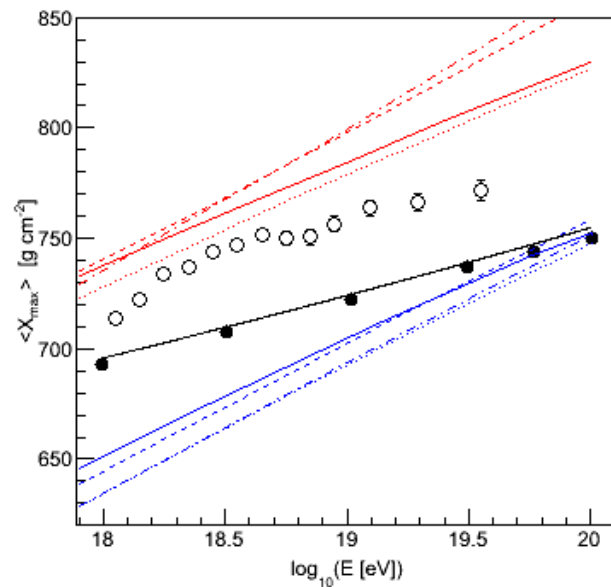


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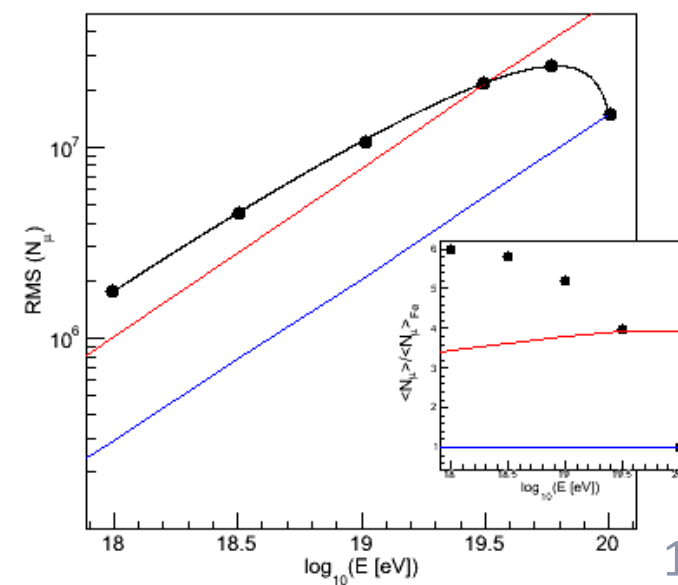
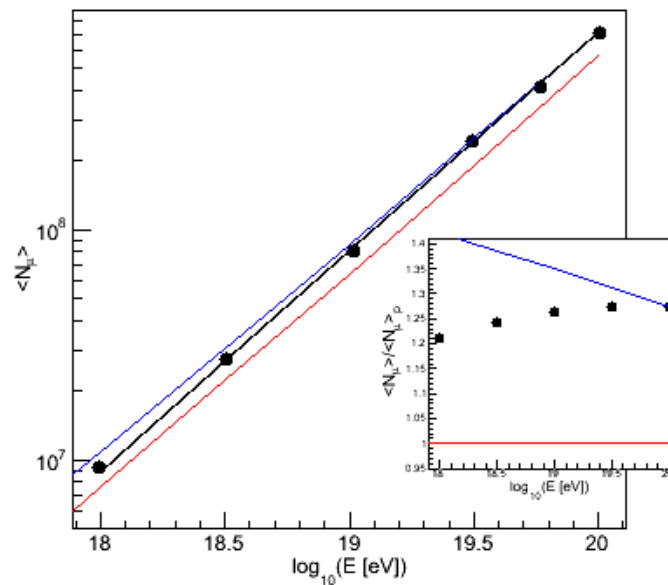
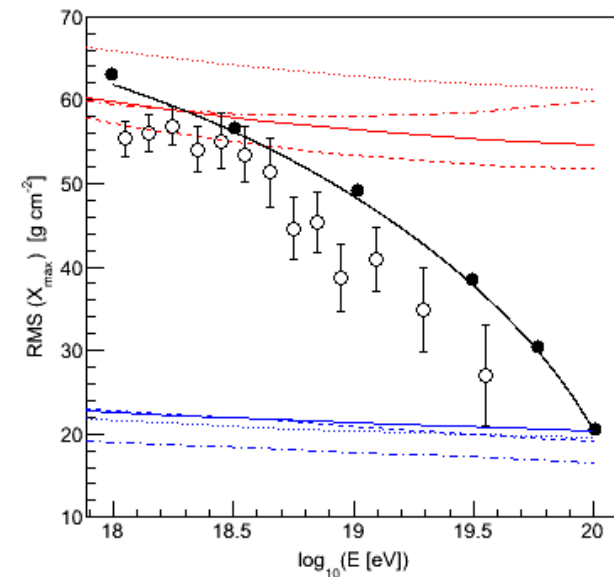
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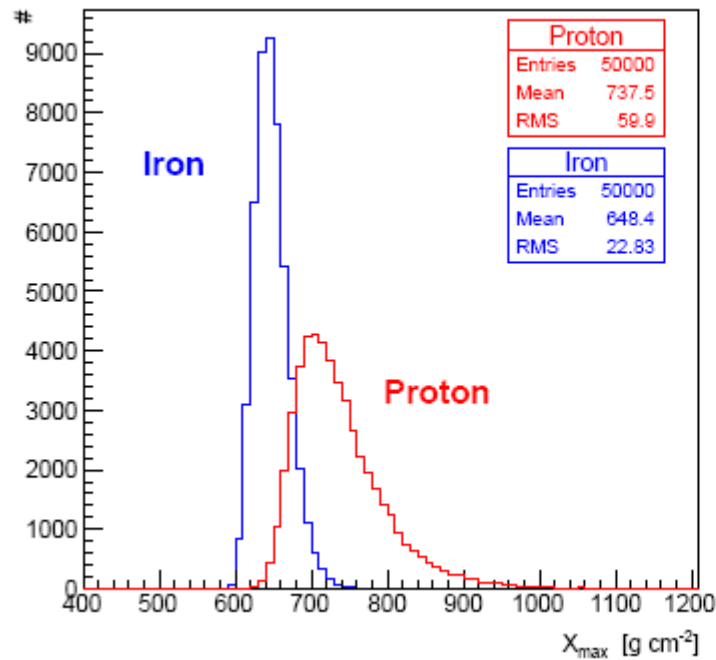
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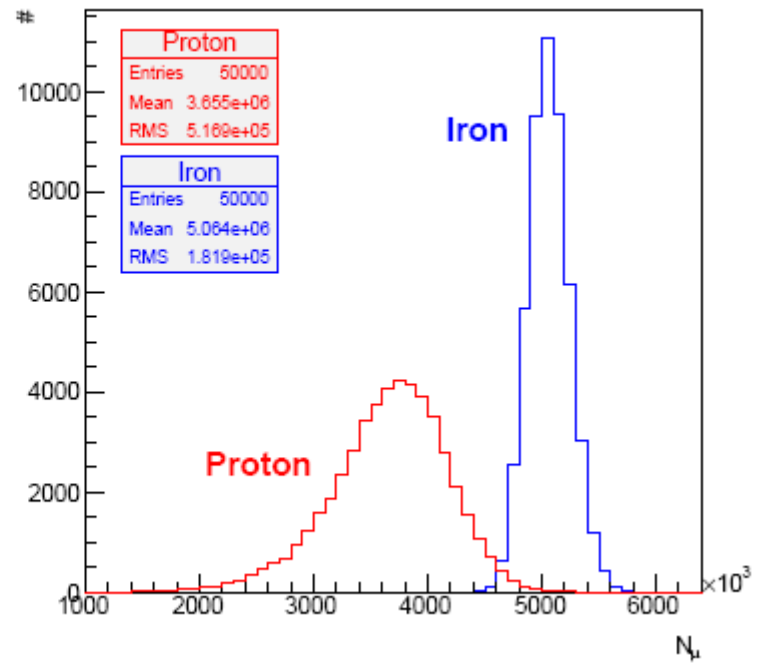


# 50% Fe at $E = 10^{18}$ eV

$X_{\max}$



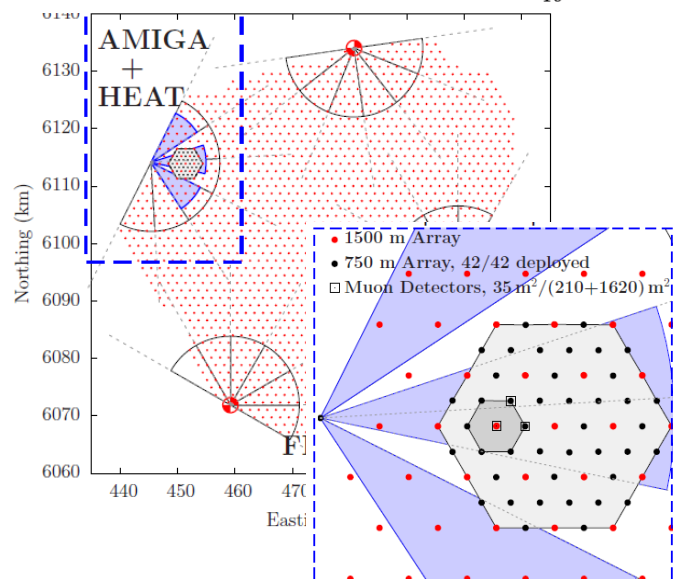
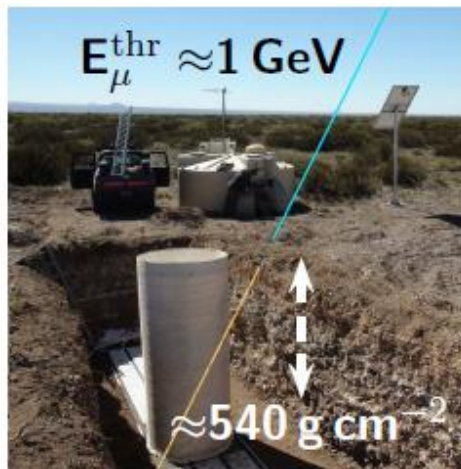
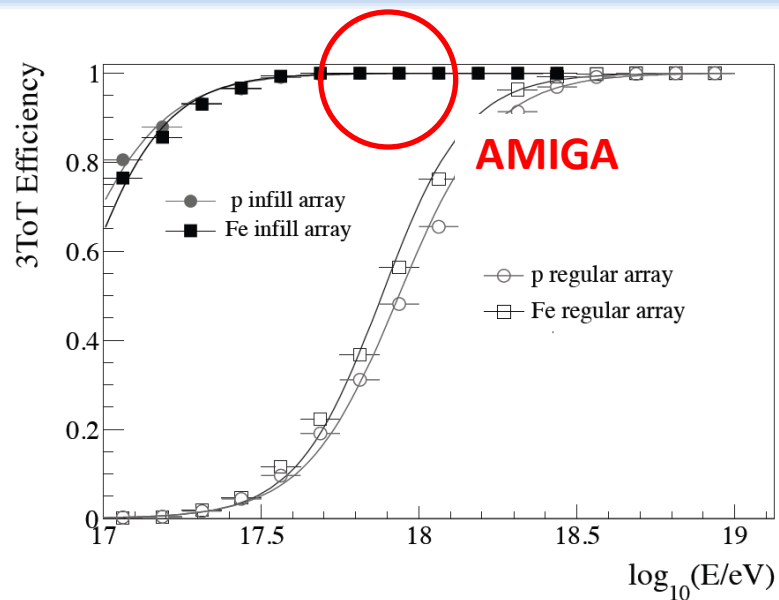
$N_{\mu}$



$N_{\mu}$  has a clear separated maxima even for 30% resolution in a event-by-event basis

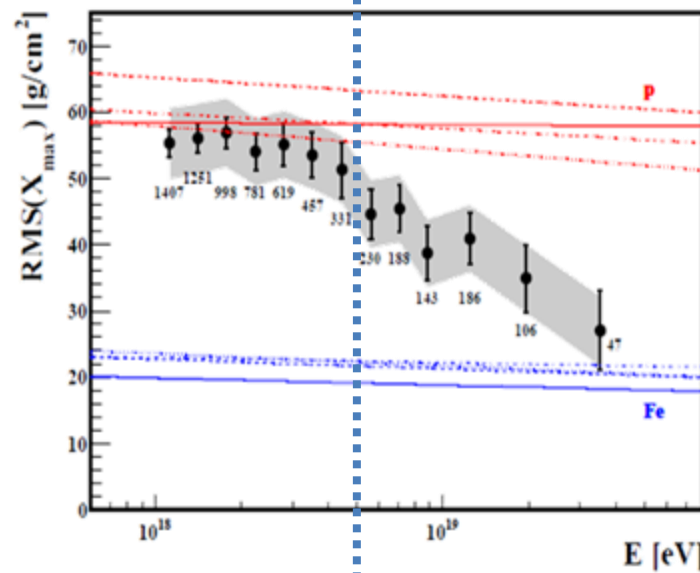
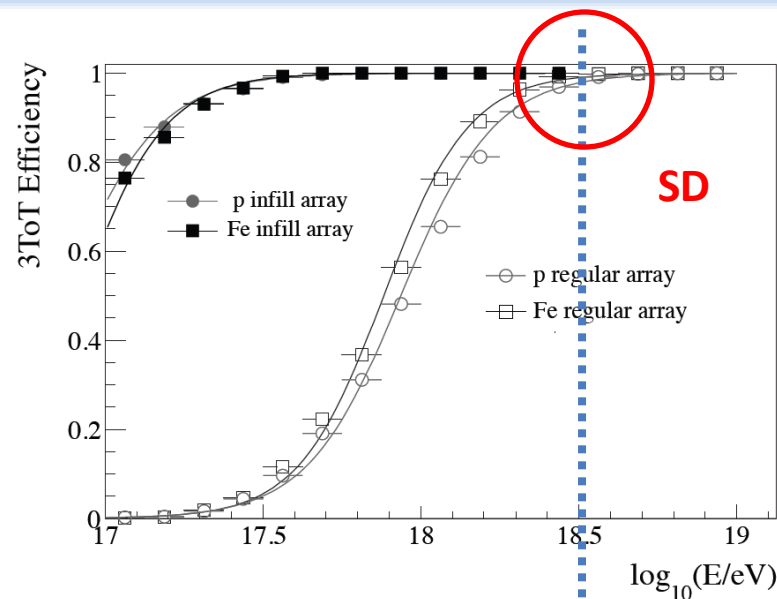
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- Use AMIGA to measure  $N_\mu$  distribution
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- Use Surface Detector
  - Inclined events?
  - Before the transition
  - Compromise between efficiency and statistics



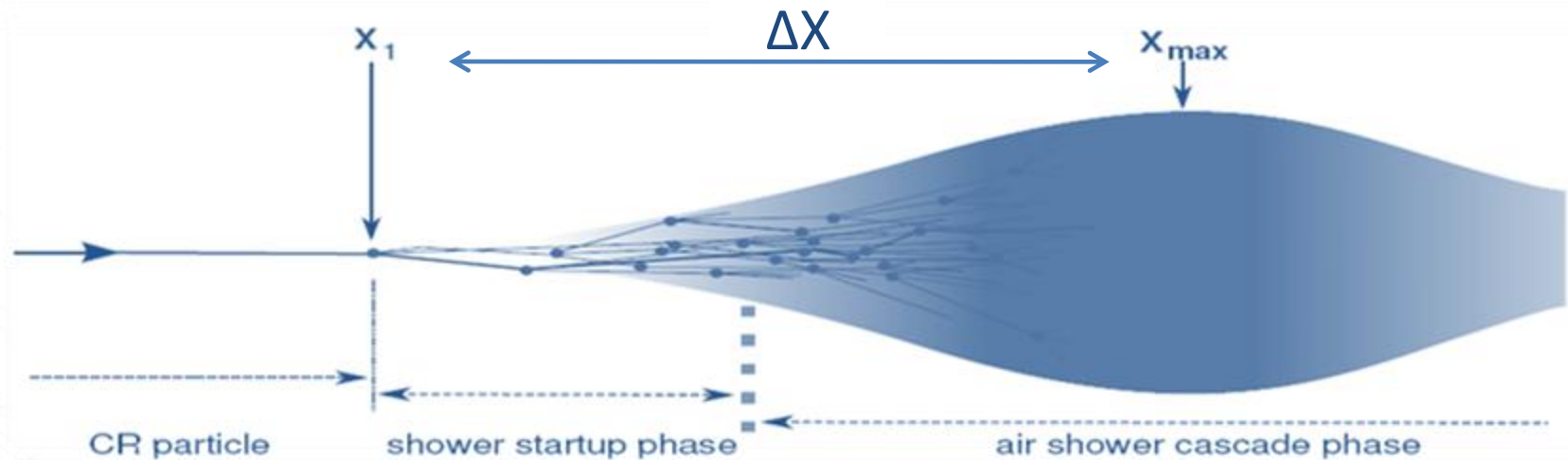


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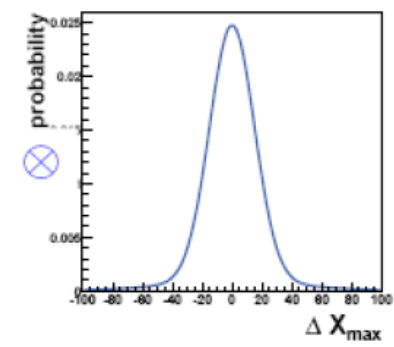
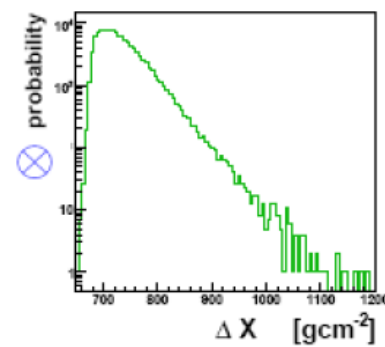
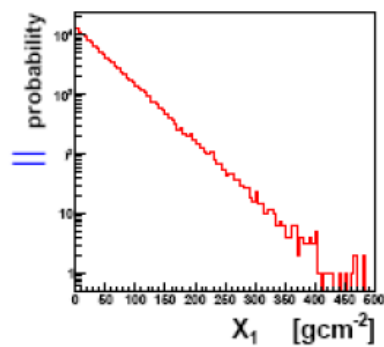
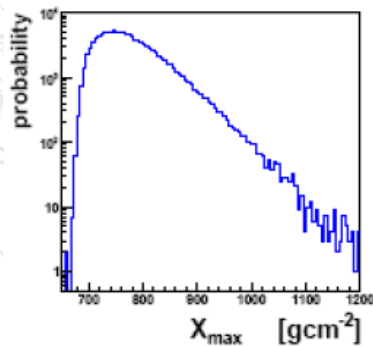
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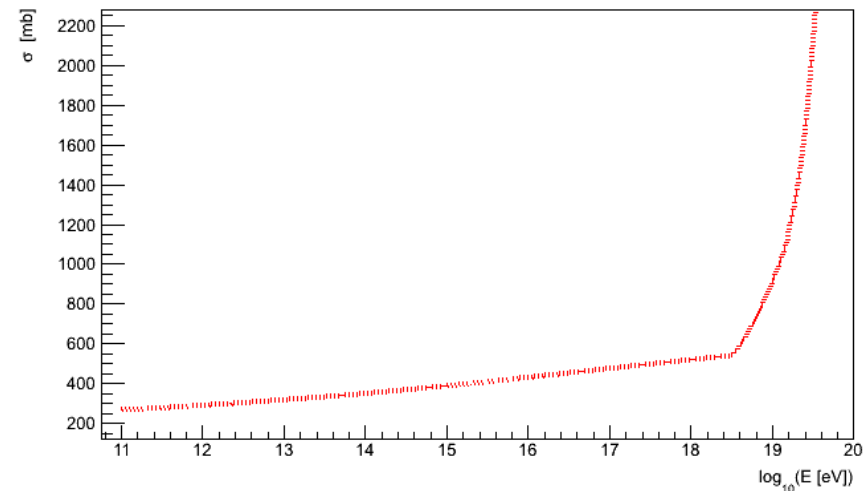
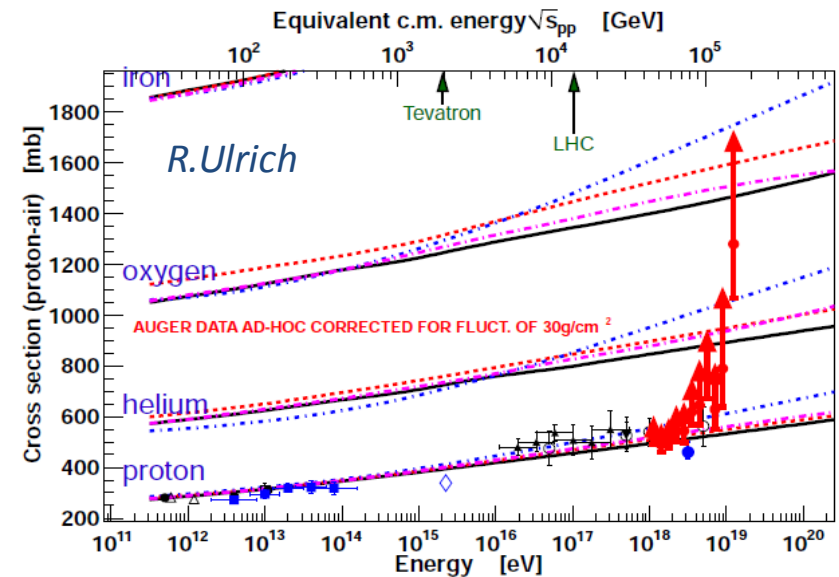
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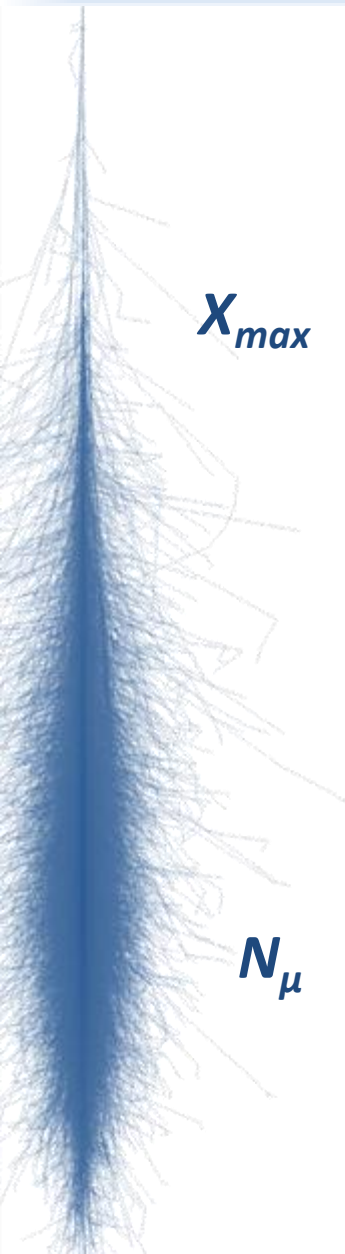


# If just proton...

- Interpretation of the  $\text{RMS}(X_{\text{max}})$  in terms of cross-section
- A dramatic increase in the proton-Air cross-section around



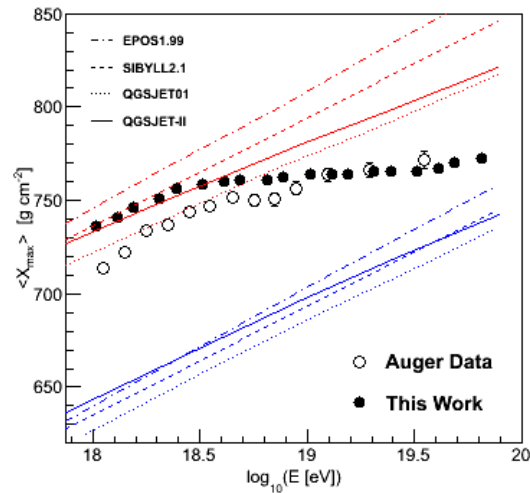
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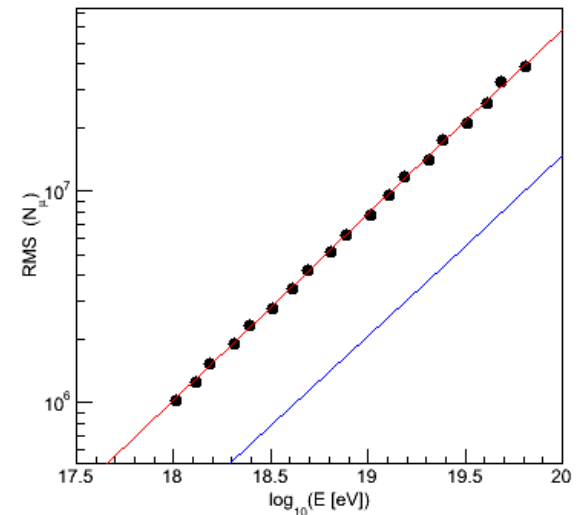
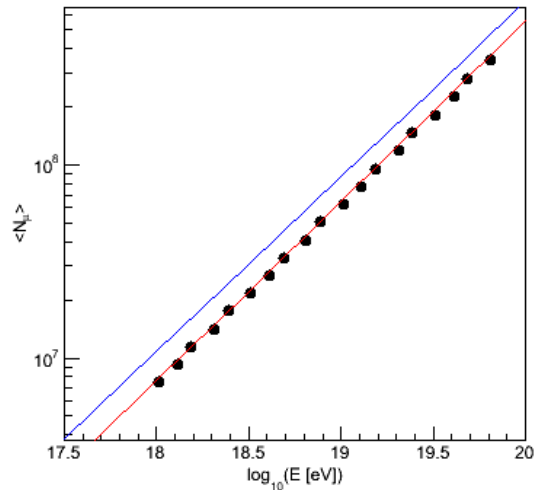
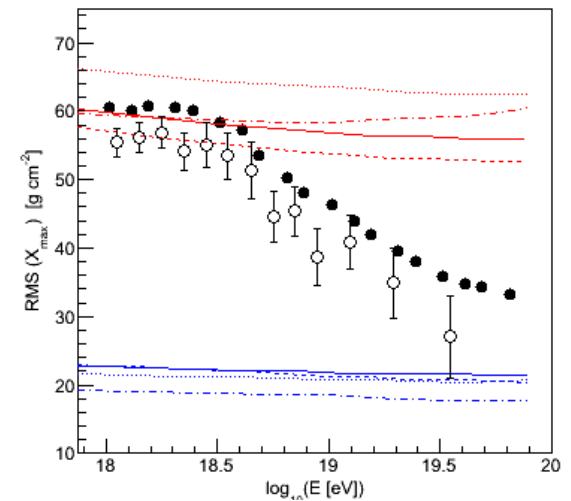
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$N_{\mu}$

*Mean*



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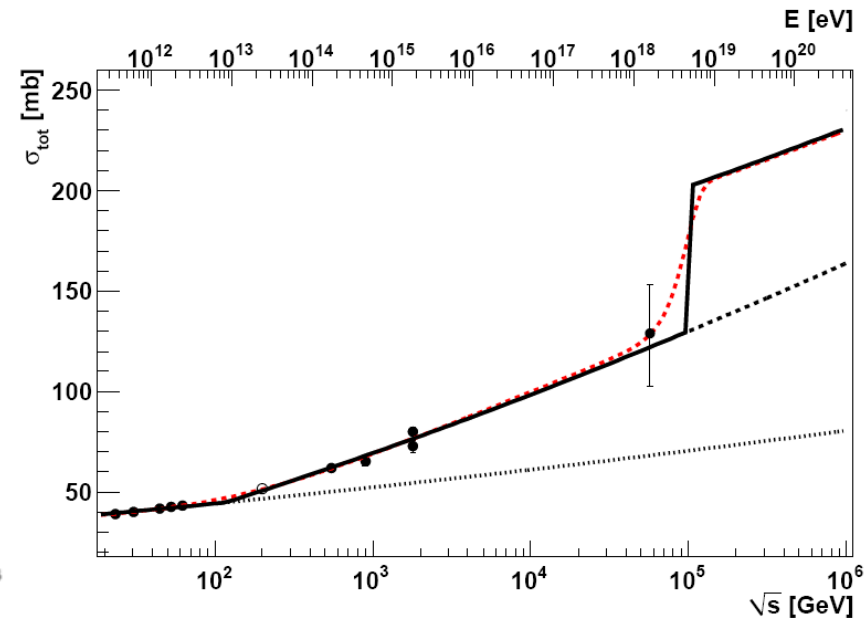
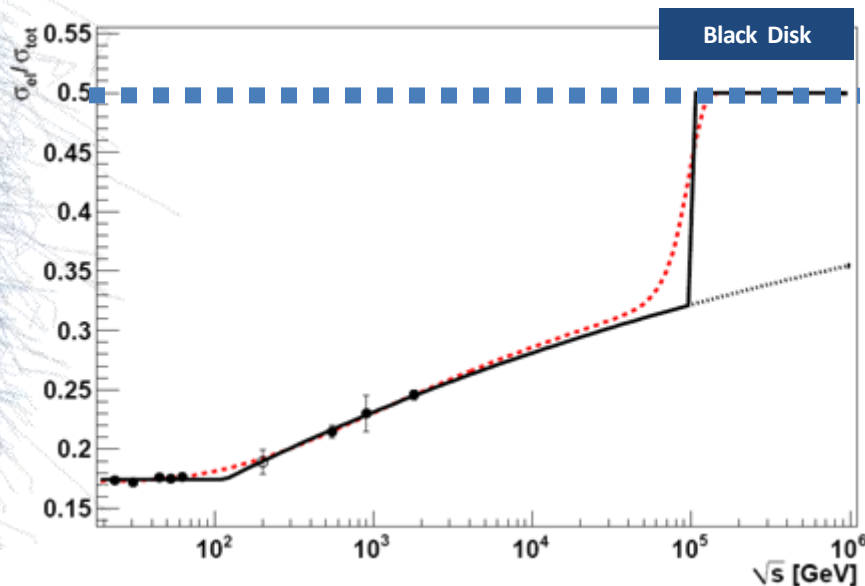


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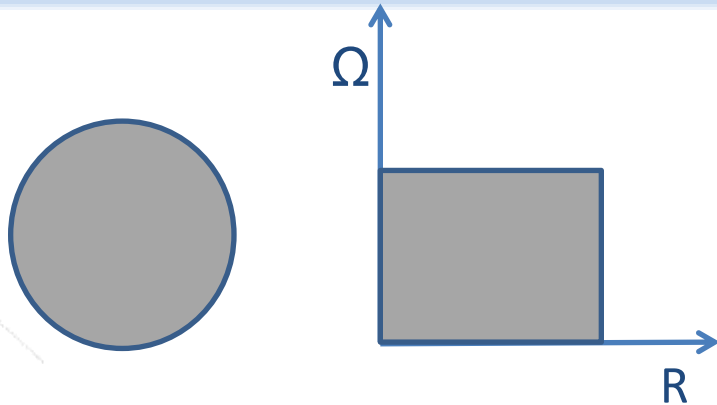
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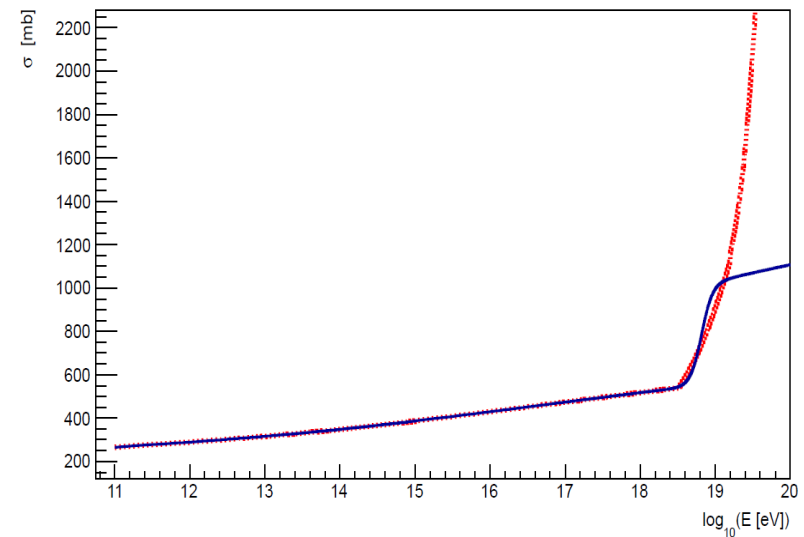
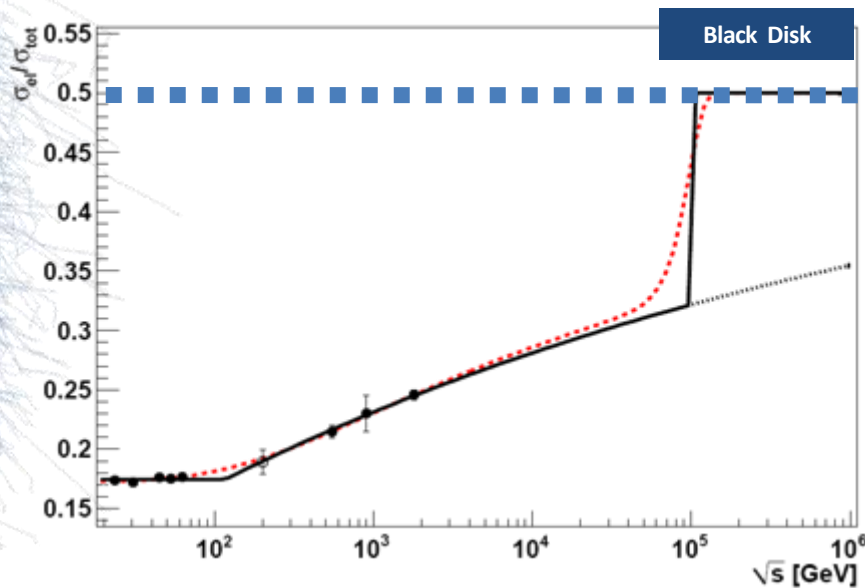
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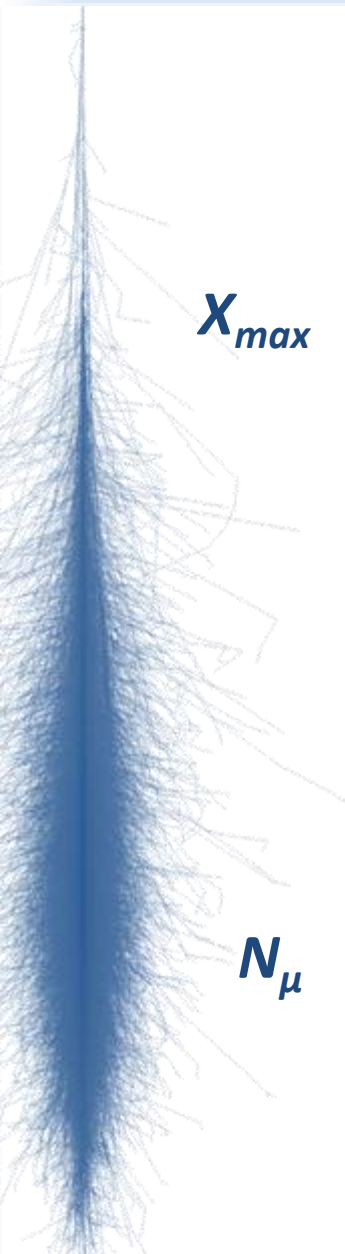


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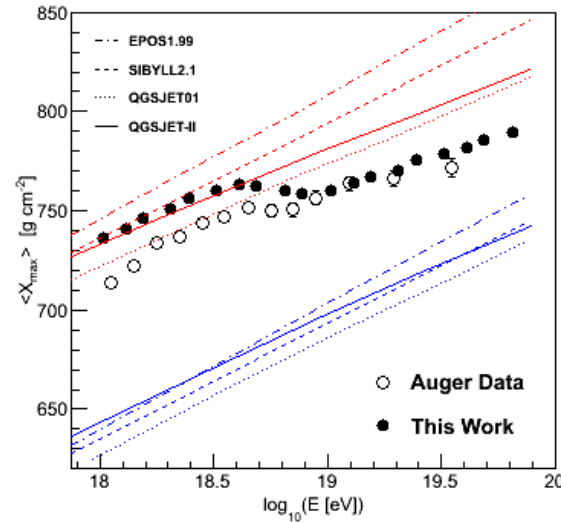
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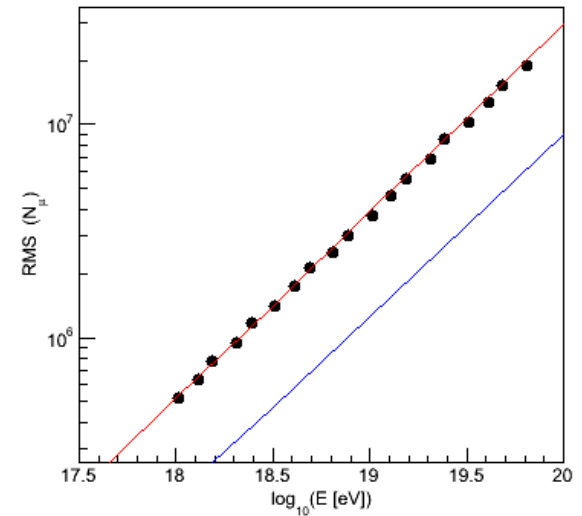
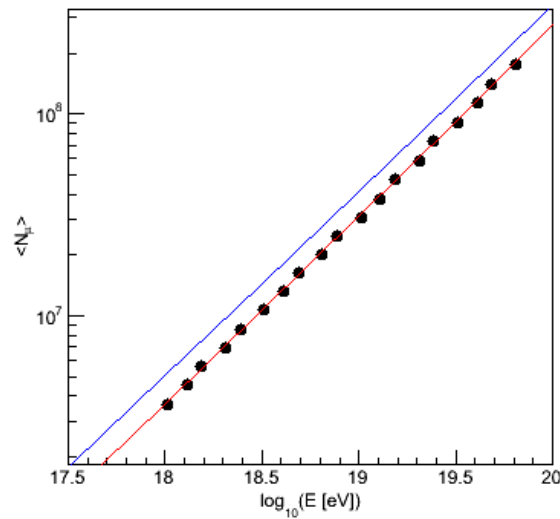
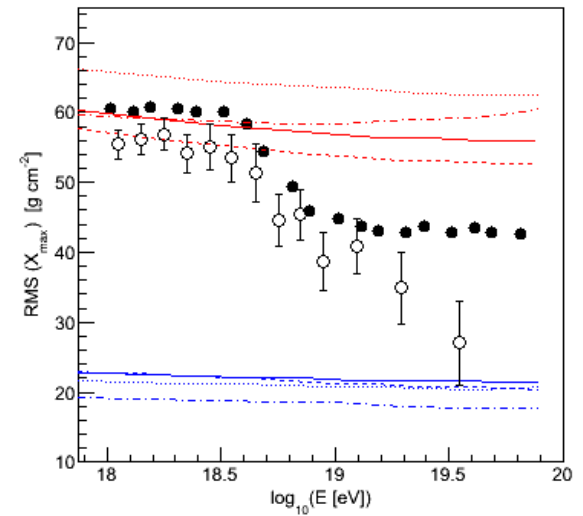
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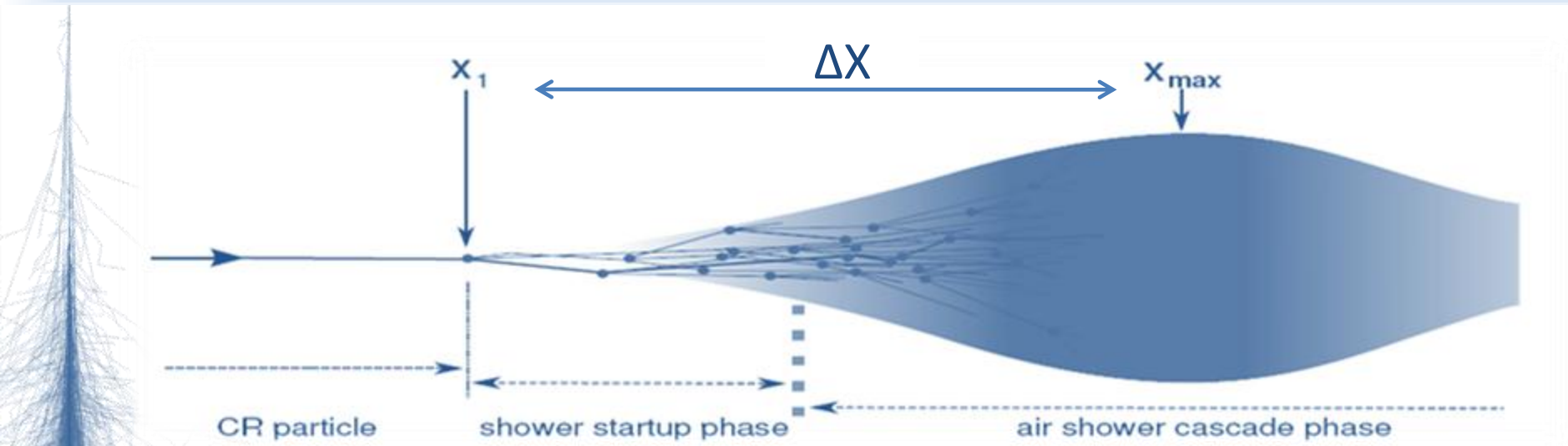
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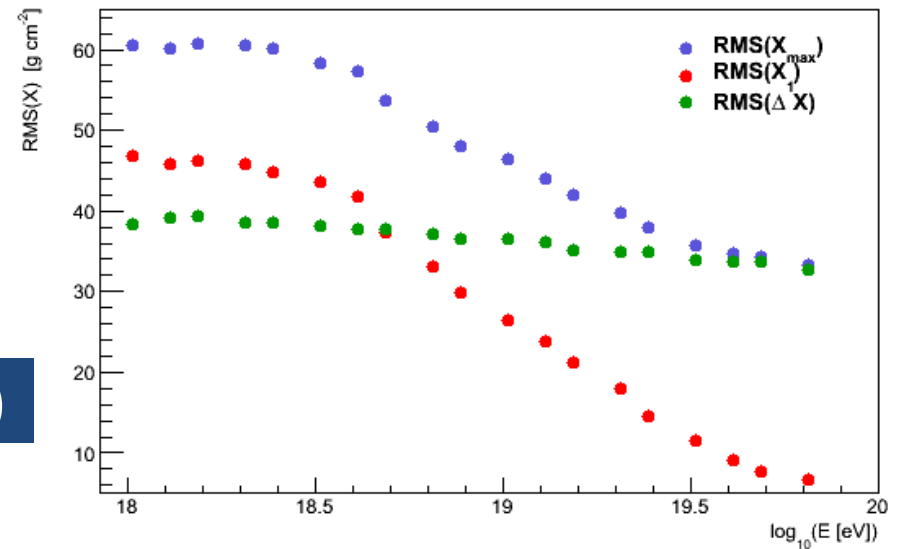


# Sensitivity to the increase of $\sigma$

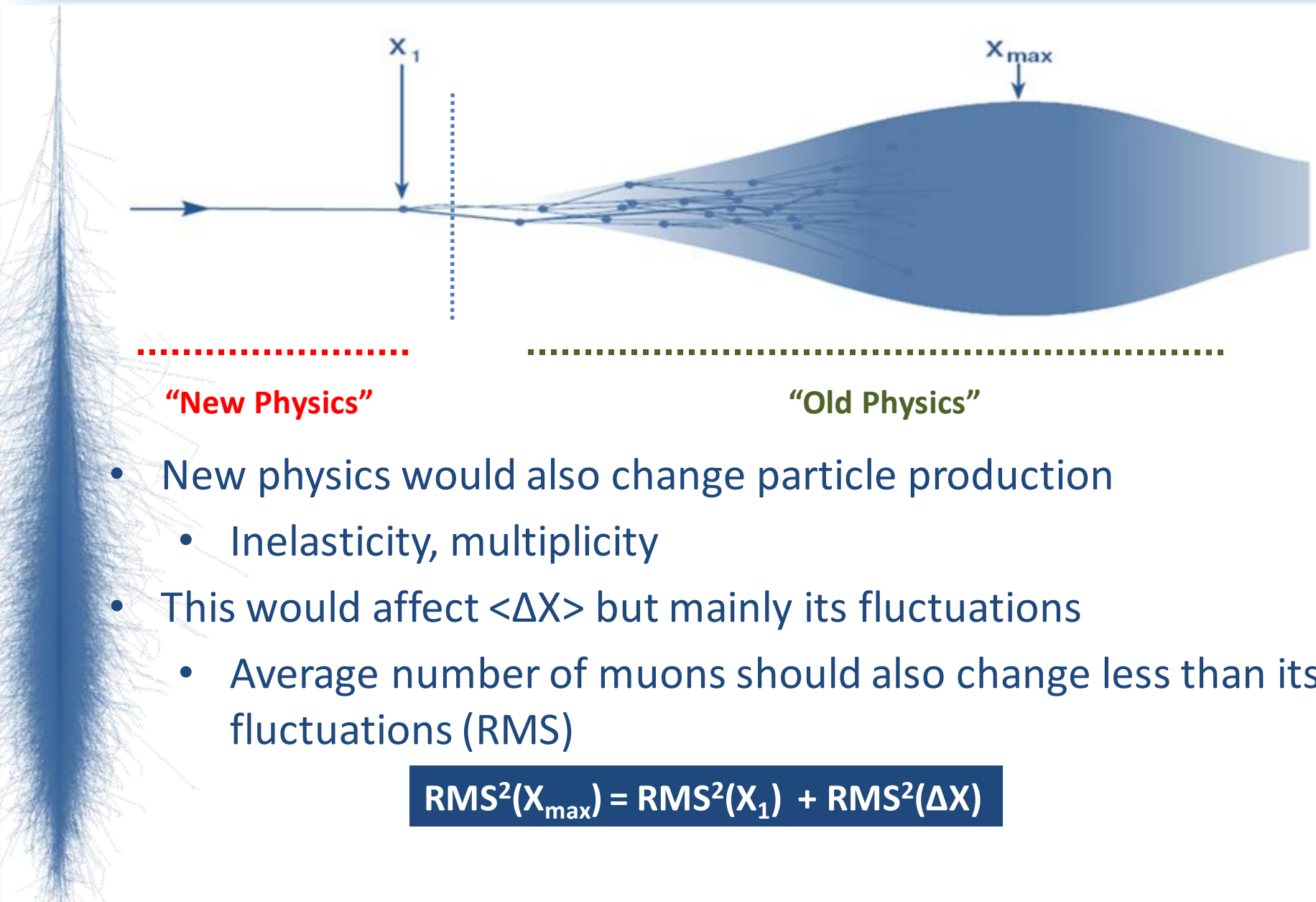


- Above  $\sim 10^{19.4}$  eV there is no sensitivity to  $\sigma$

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# Impact of new physics



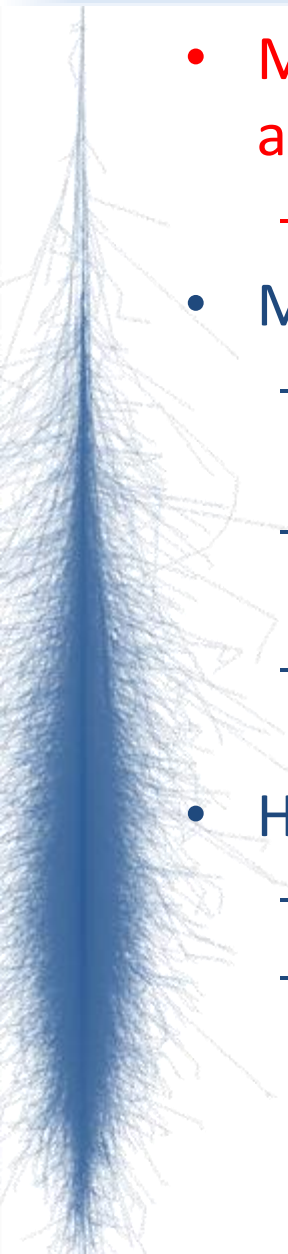
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- New physics would also change particle production
  - Inelasticity, multiplicity
- This would affect  $\langle \Delta X \rangle$  but mainly its fluctuations
  - Average number of muons should also change less than its fluctuations (RMS)

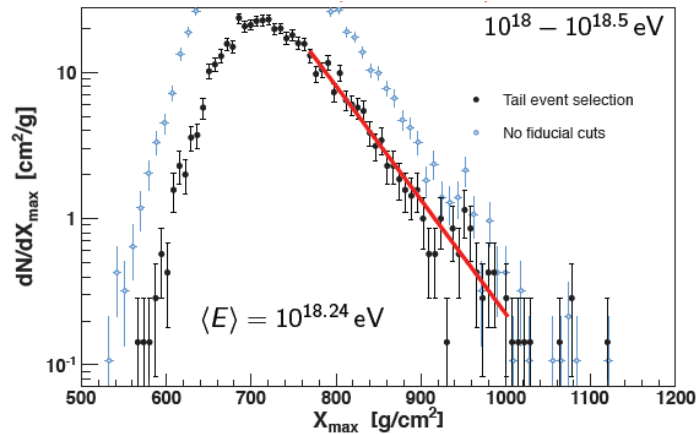
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- Mass compositions and Hadronic interaction must be analyzed together
    - Multi-variable analyzes needed ( $X_{\max}$ ,  $N_{\mu}$ )
  - Mass Composition simple scenarios
    - A pure proton  $\rightarrow$  pure iron model does not explain simultaneously the  $\langle X_{\max} \rangle$  and  $\text{RMS}(X_{\max})$  data
    - 50% proton  $\rightarrow$  pure iron is a possibility
      - Can be identified by looking to the  $N_{\mu}$  distribution at lower energies ( $E = 1 \text{ EeV}$ )
    - Intermediate masses is also a possibility
      - Astrophysical input can help to constrain
  - Hadronic interactions
    - Have to be changed in any case
    - With 100% proton a cross-section change can explain  $X_{\max}$  evolution
      - Can be identified by checking  $N_{\mu}$  evolution with energy (both average and RMS)

**BACKUP SLIDES**

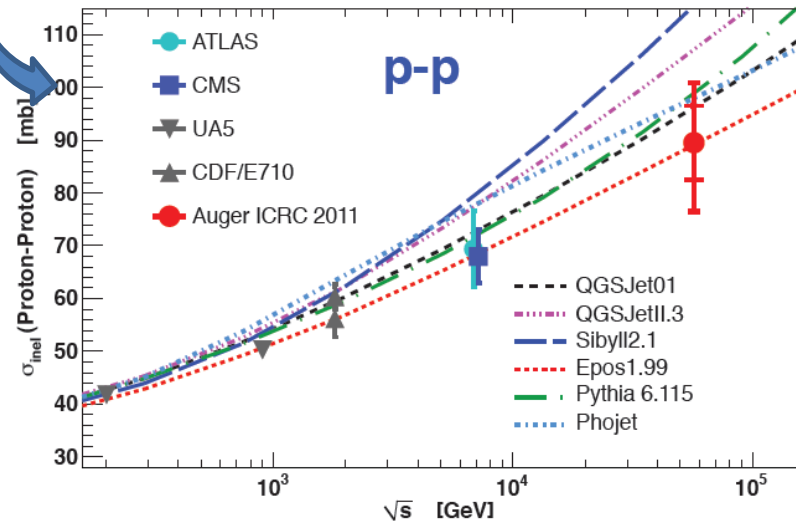
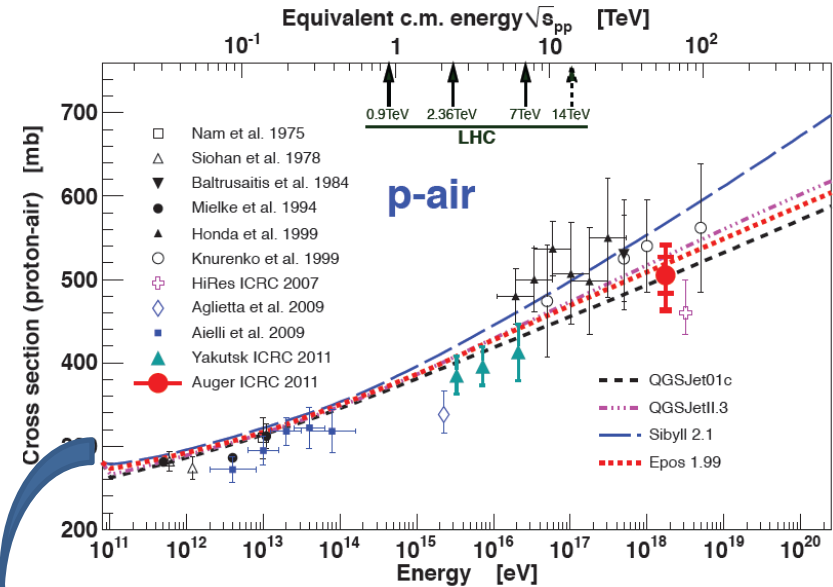
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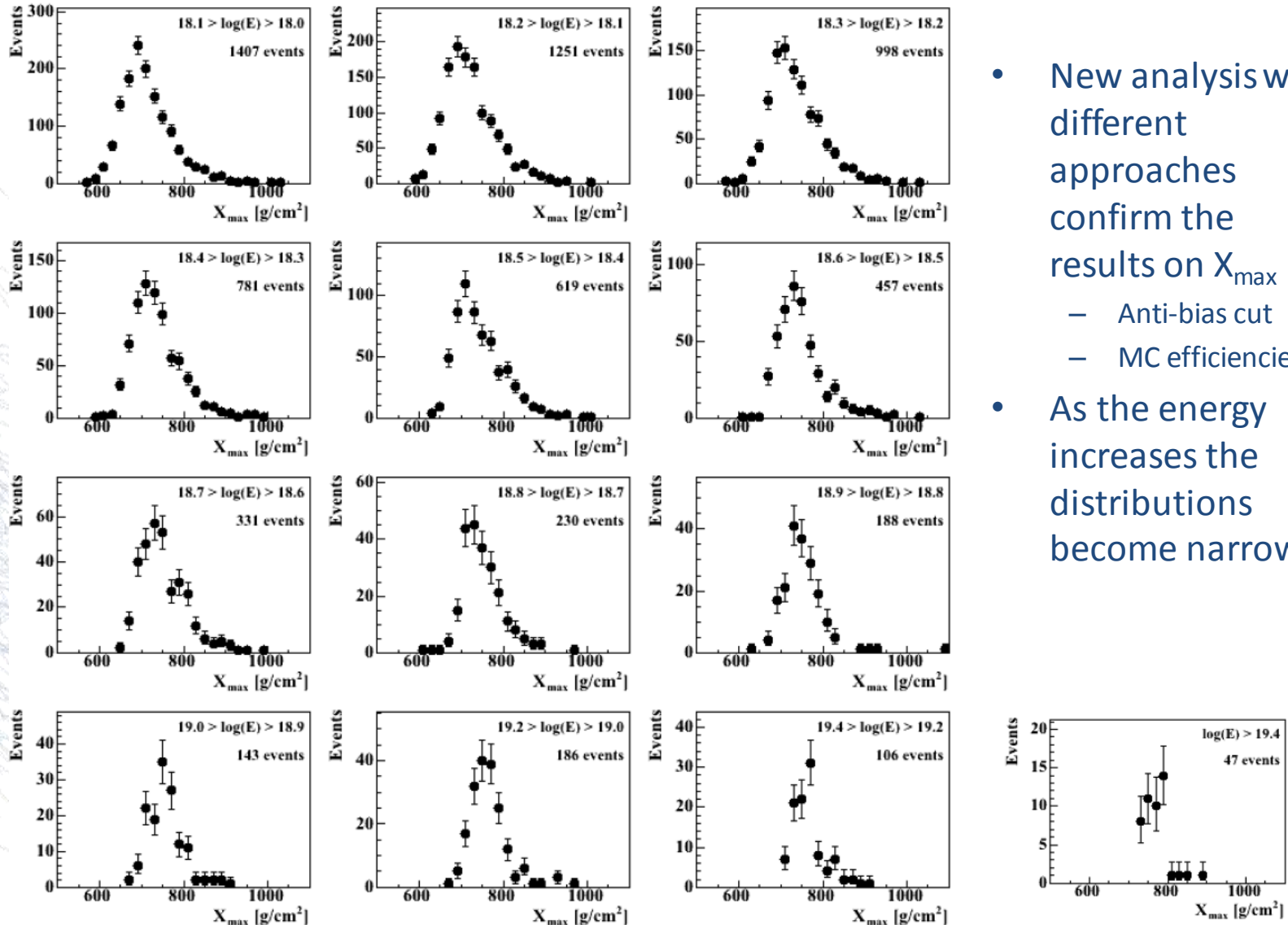
If % p > 20%, % He < 25%

- Slightly lower than expected by most of the models but in good agreement with recent LHC data

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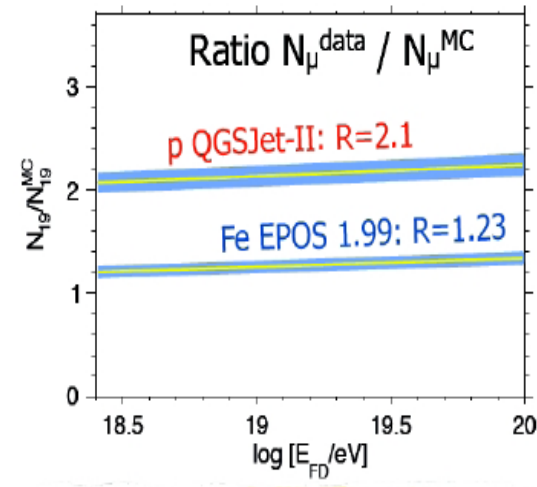
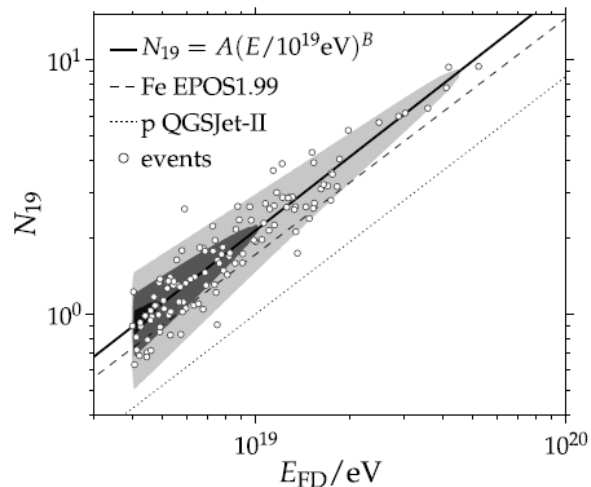


# $X_{\max}$ distributions





# Number of muons (Inclined)

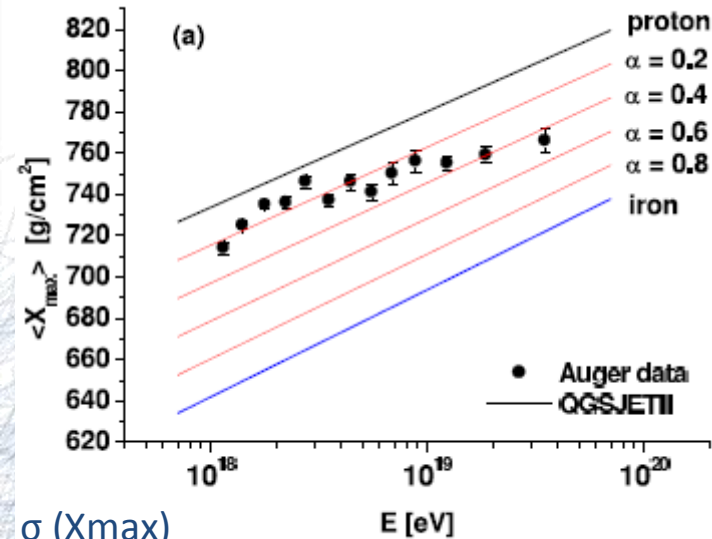


- Results presented at the ICRC 2011, Beijing
- $N_{\mu} \sim E^{0.95}$
- Data analysis reveals a muon deficit in the simulations
  - Even for iron induced showers
  - High energy hadronic interaction models are not able to describe the data
- No visible structure

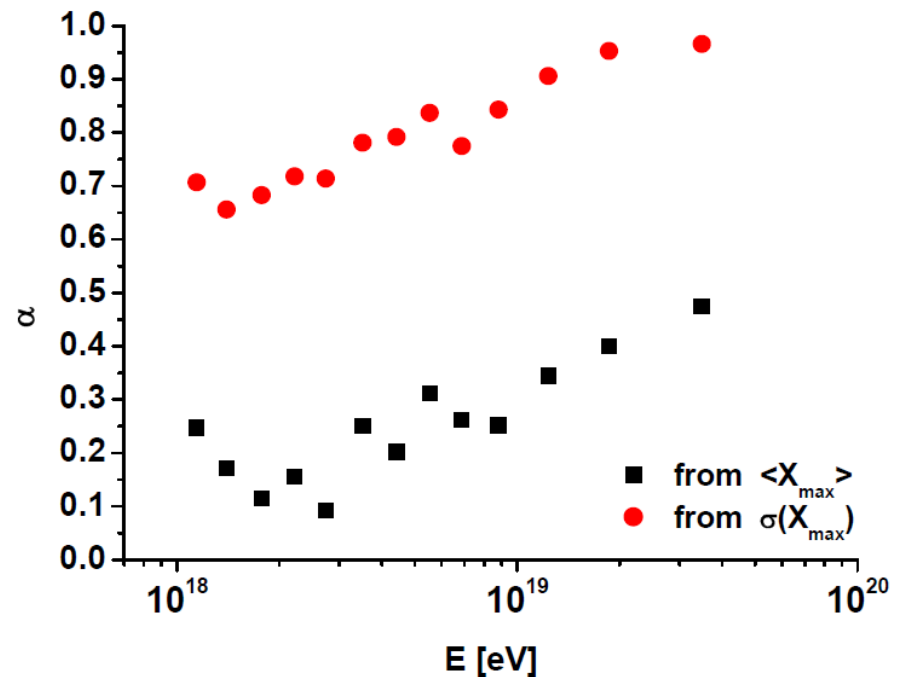
# But if just proton and iron...

$\alpha$  : iron ;  $(1-\alpha)$ : proton

$\langle X_{\max} \rangle$

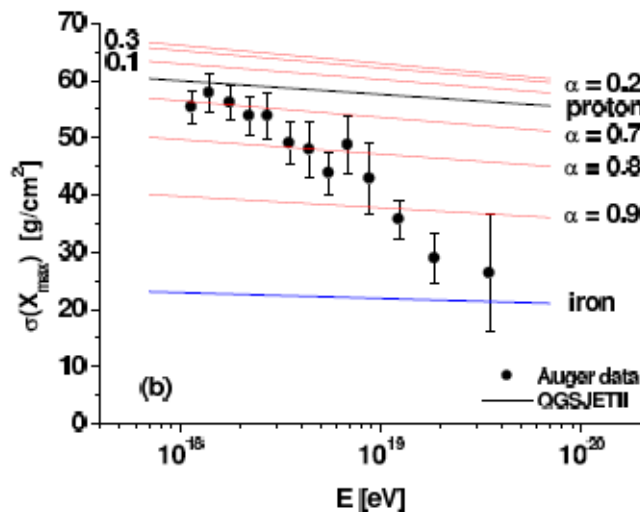


*G. Wilk, Z. Włodarczyk  
 (J. Matthews, V. Scherini)*



*Not possible to have just a two  
 component model !*

$\sigma(X_{\max})$



# If just proton...

R. Ulrich

- Interpretation of the  $\text{RMS}(X_{\text{max}})$  in terms of cross-section
- A dramatic increase in the proton-proton cross-section around:

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