

Sources of ultra high energy cosmic rays

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Outline:

- Spectrum, propagation of UHECRs, Hillas diagram,...
- Sources of UHECRs: GRB, AGNs, LL-GRB, TDEs,...
- Multi-messenger approach and UHECRs



Pulsars,
magnetars



Gamma-
ray bursts



Active Galactic
Nuclei



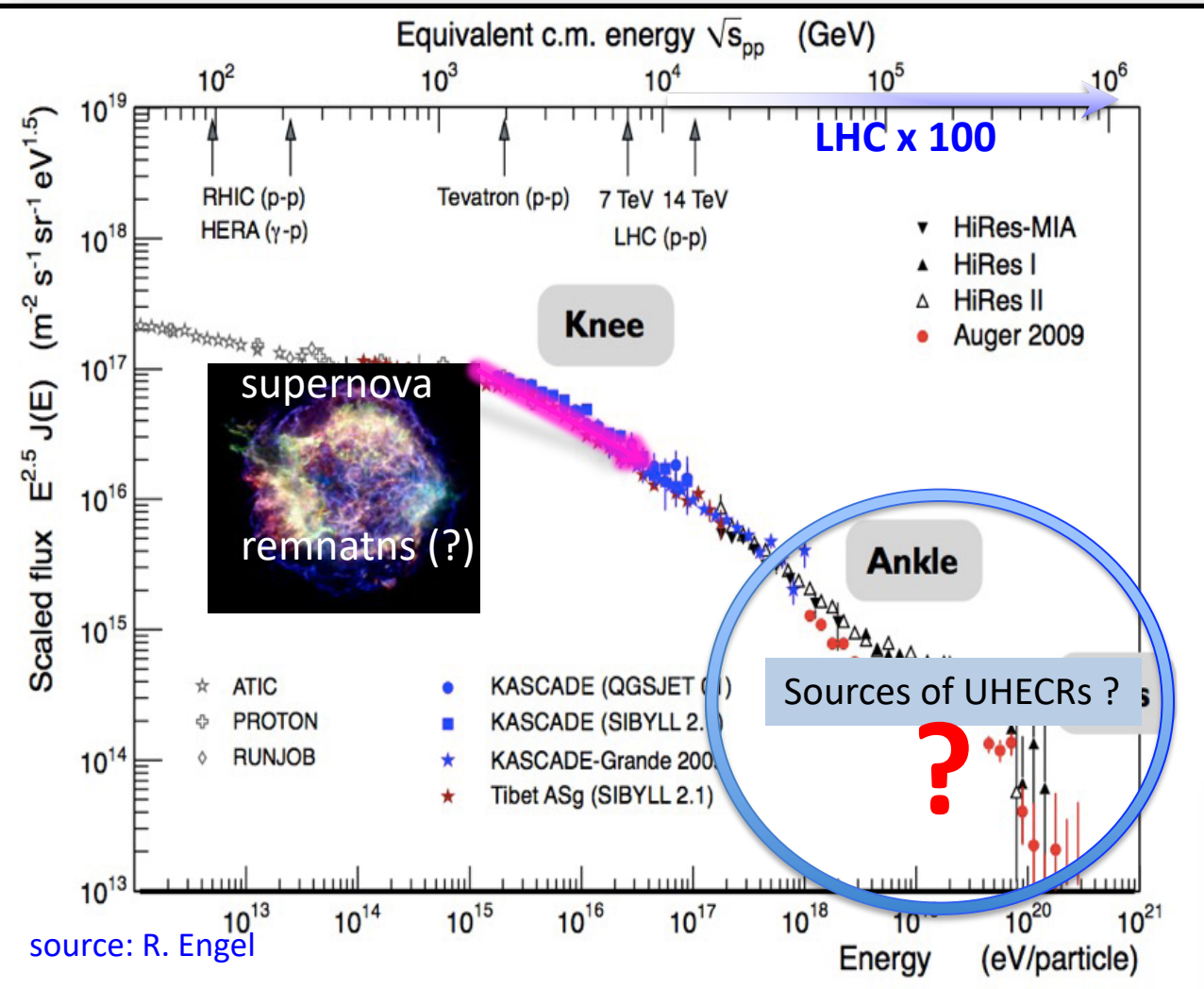
Galaxy Clusters



Star-burst galaxies

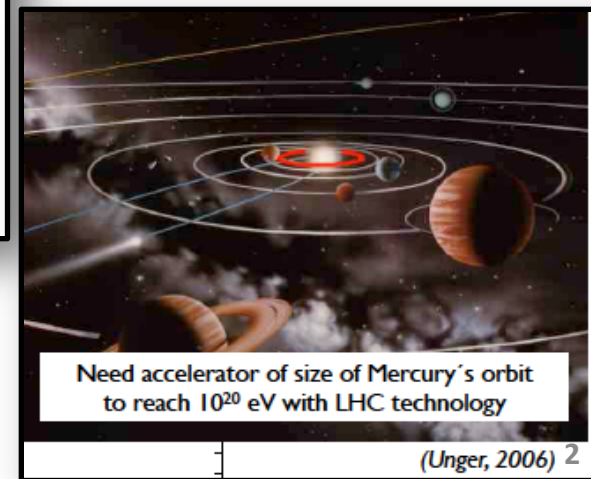


The Ultra-High-Energy Cosmic Ray mystery



- > What's their composition?
- > Where do they come from?
 - anisotropies weakly correlated to known possible sources: active galactic nuclei, gamma-ray burst,...
- > How do they reach such tremendous energies?

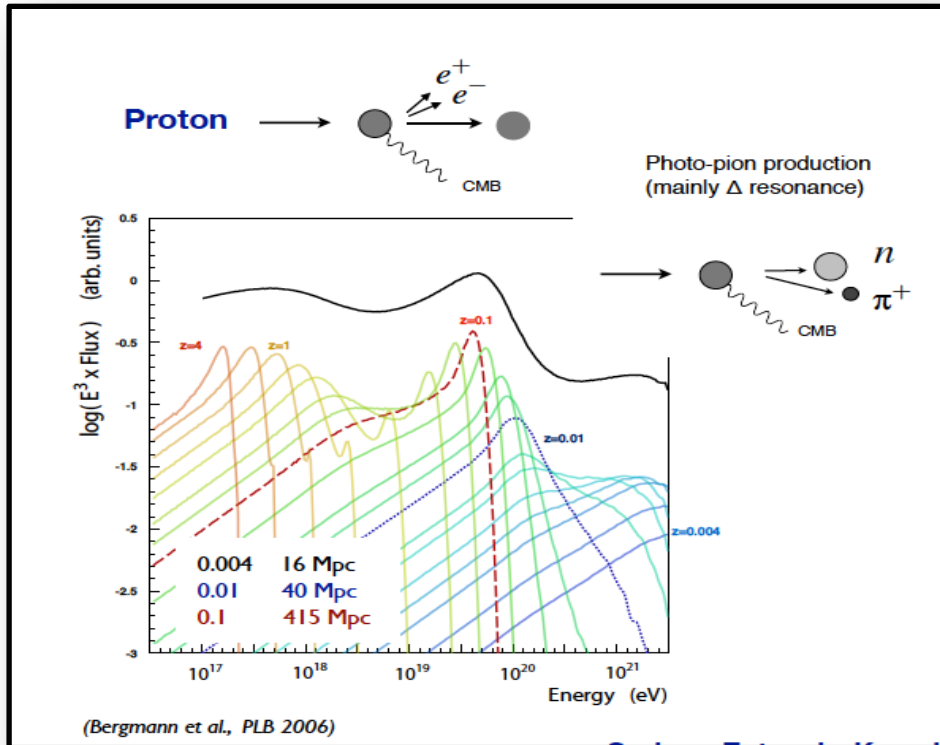
Spectrum suppression:
 in the past: the GZK cut-off
 now: rather the efficiency limit of particle acceleration by sources



Particle physics beyond the reach of colliders

UHECRs propagation to Earth

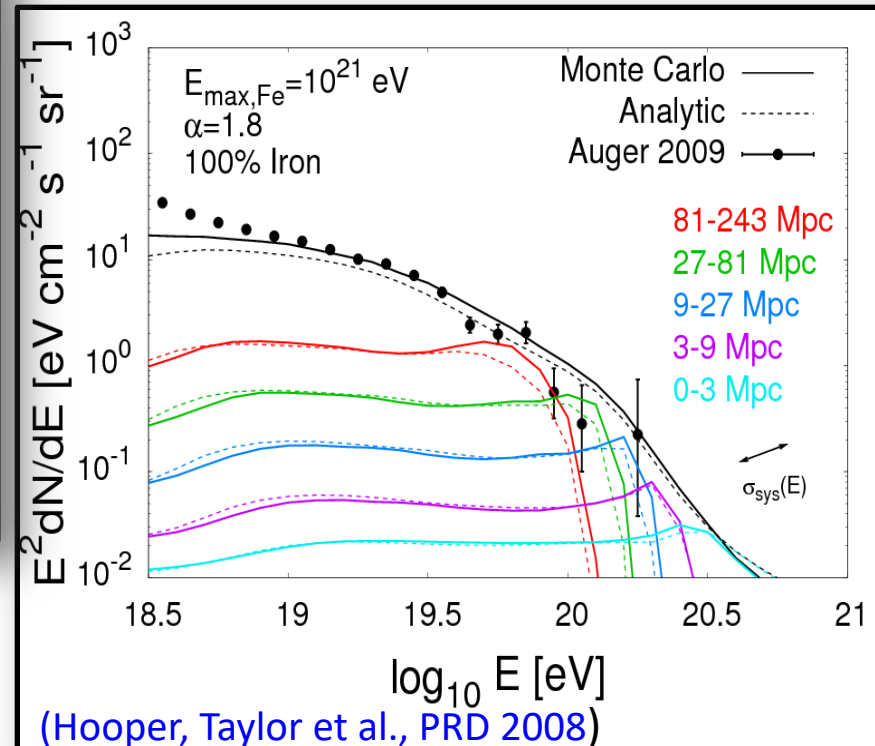
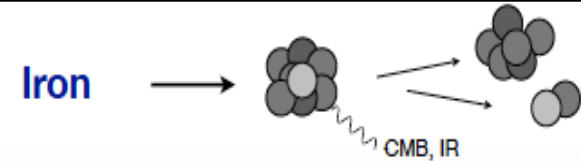
Photo-pion production



Greisen-Zatsepin-Kuzmin (GZK) effect (1966)
cosmic ray absorption
in Cosmic Microwave Background CMB (1965)

> suppression of cosmic ray flux above energy of 4×10^{19} eV (GZK-cut-off),
maximum source distance of 50-100 Mpc

Photo - nuclear interactions photon-disintegration, hadronphotoproduction,...



> disruption of higher mass nuclei into
lower mass fragments (nuclear cascade)

see more in J. Stasielak talk

Acceleration requirements:

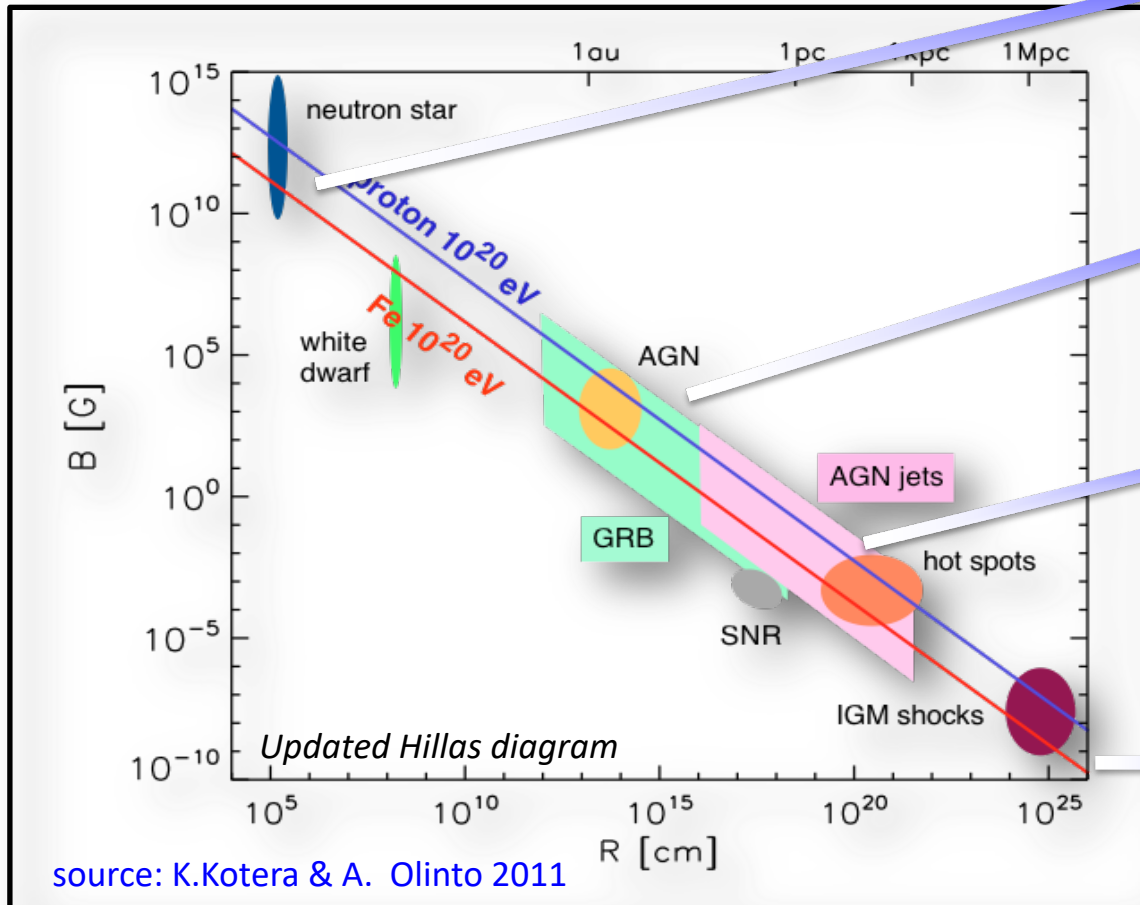
> The first condition for successful acceleration:

$$r_L < R_{\text{Size-of-source}}$$

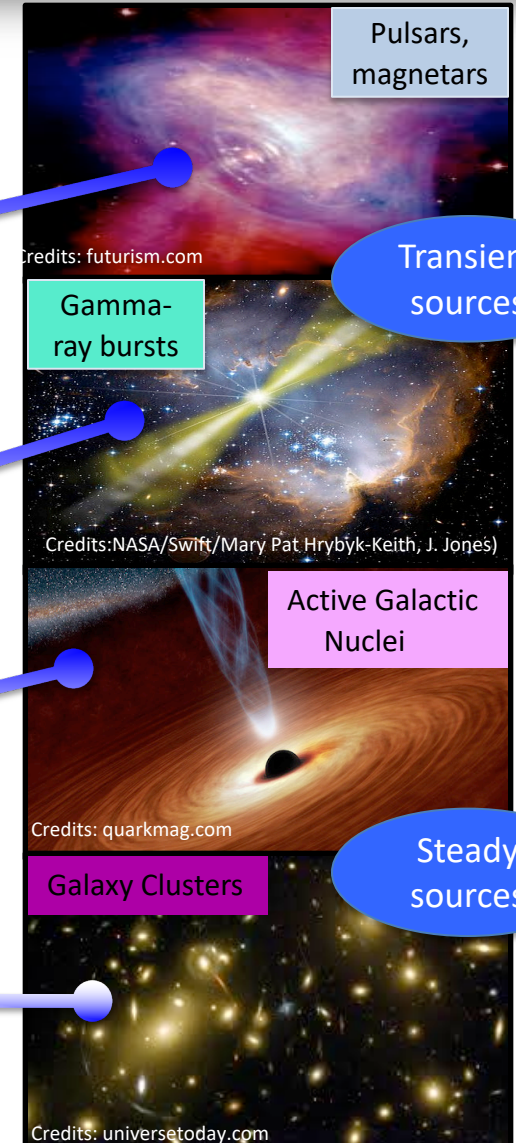
$$E \leq E_{\text{max}} \sim 10^{15} \text{ eV} \times Z \left(\frac{B}{1 \mu\text{G}} \right) \left(\frac{R}{1 \text{ pc}} \right)$$

$$r_L = 1.08 \text{ Mpc } Z^{-1} \left(\frac{E}{10^{18} \text{ eV}} \right) \left(\frac{B}{1 \text{ nG}} \right)^{-1}$$

particle charge
particle energy
source mag. field



source: K.Kotera & A. Olinto 2011



A luminosity bound

> The second condition for successful acceleration:

$$t_{\text{acc}} < t_{\text{dyn}} \sim R / \beta_W \Gamma_W c$$

The dynamical time (time scale of energy loss)

The acceleration time: depends on acceleration mechanism and environments

Schock velocity

Lorentz factor

The luminosity that a source must possess in order to be able to accelerate particles up to $E_{20} = E/10^{20}$ eV

$$L > L_B \equiv \Gamma_W R^2 B^2 / 2 > 10^{45} Z^{-2} E_{20}^2 \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

Lemoine & Waxman 2009

> The third condition:

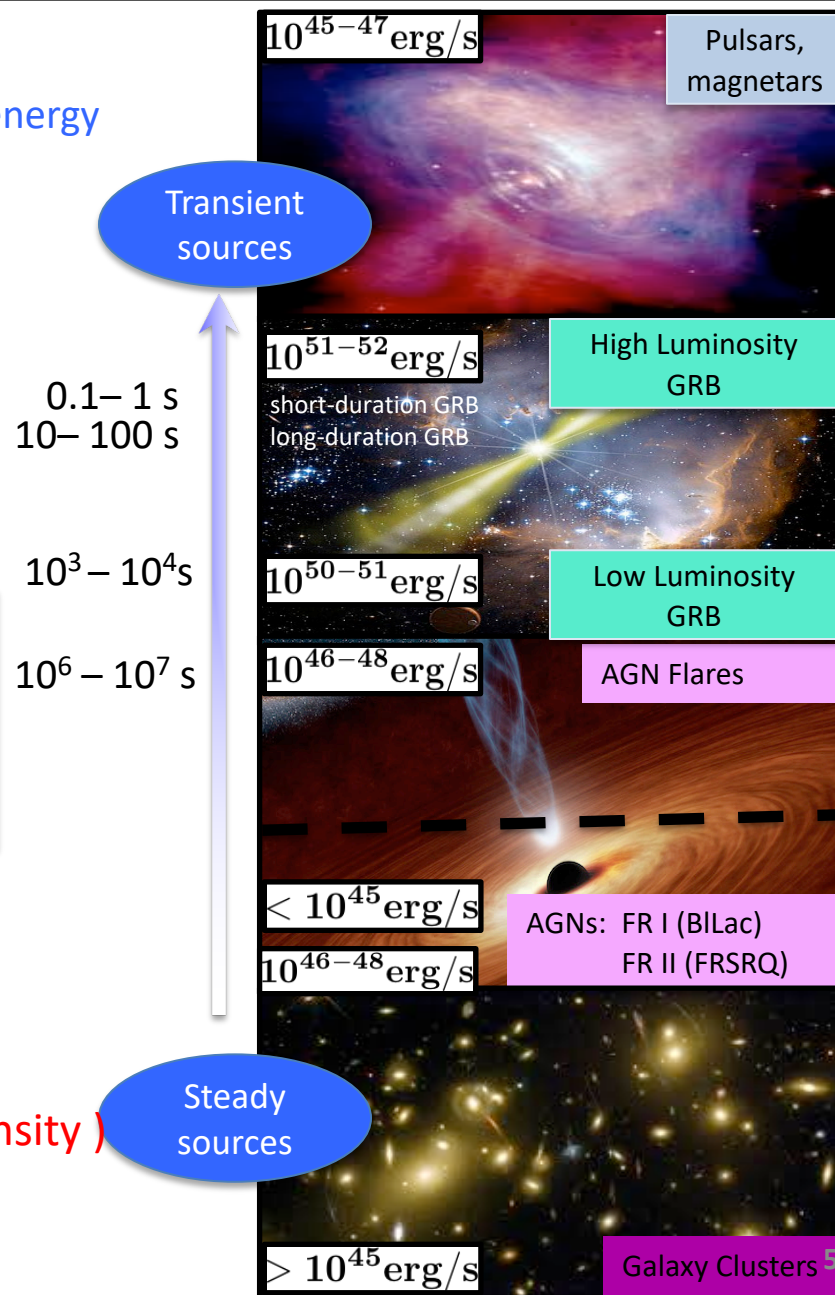
sources must possess the required energy budget to produce the observed UHECRs flux

$$(E_{\text{UHE}} Q_{\text{EUHE}} > 5 \times 10^{43} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ yr}^{-1}) \quad (\text{enough sources density})$$

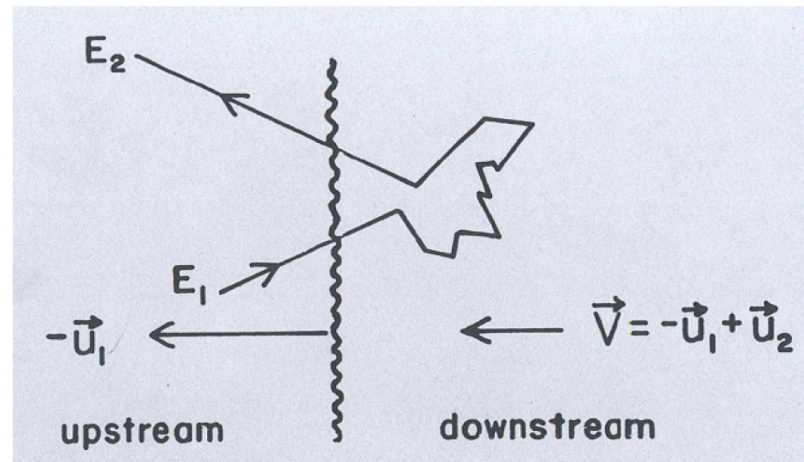
See for more details:

K.Komiko A. Kotera Annu. Rev. Astron. Astrophys 2010

Luminosity



Proces Fermiego 1. rzędu



$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \xi \propto \frac{u_1 - u_2}{c} \quad E_n = E_0 (1 + \xi)^n = E_0 (1 + \xi)^{t/T_c}$$

przyspieszanie stopniowe - limit energii

widmo całkowite $\propto E^{-\gamma+1}$

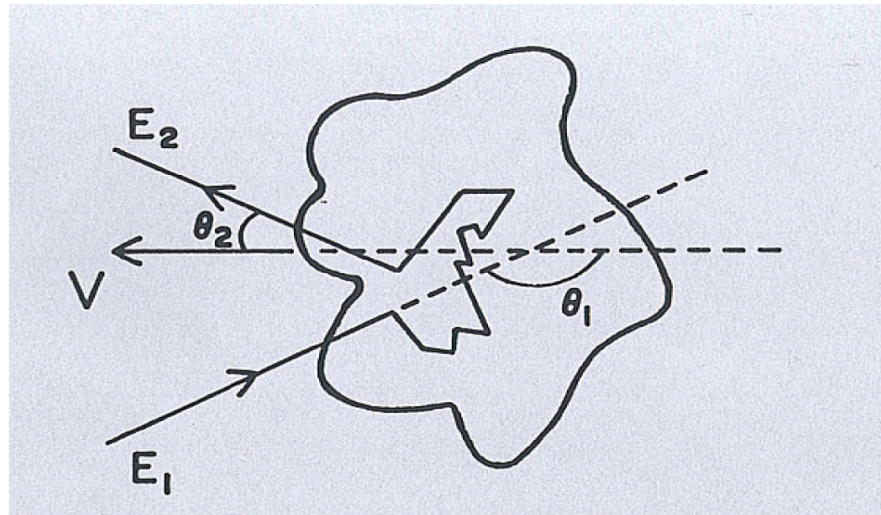
dla gazu jednoatomowego $\gamma-1 \approx 1+4/M^2$ $M=u_1/c_1$ liczba Macha

obs. $F(E) \sim E^{-1.7} \rightarrow$ u źródła $Q(E) \sim E^{-\gamma+1+\delta} \sim E^{-1.1}$

$E_{\max} \sim Z 10^{14} \text{ eV}$

Proces Fermiego 2. rzędu

przyspieszanie cząstek w zderzeniach z obłokami magnetycznymi



$$E_1' = \gamma E_1 (1 - \beta \cos \theta_1)$$

$$E_2 = \gamma E_2' (1 + \beta \cos \theta_2')$$

$$E_2' = E_1'$$

$$\beta = v/c$$

przyrost energii w jednym cyklu

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \xi \propto \beta^2$$

proces powolny

GRBs and SuperNovas (time scale of seconds/minutes)

> 'long GRBs' > few seconds
as a source of high energy neutrinos

> **SNII neutrinos (choked jets)**

S. Ando, J.F. Beacom 2005

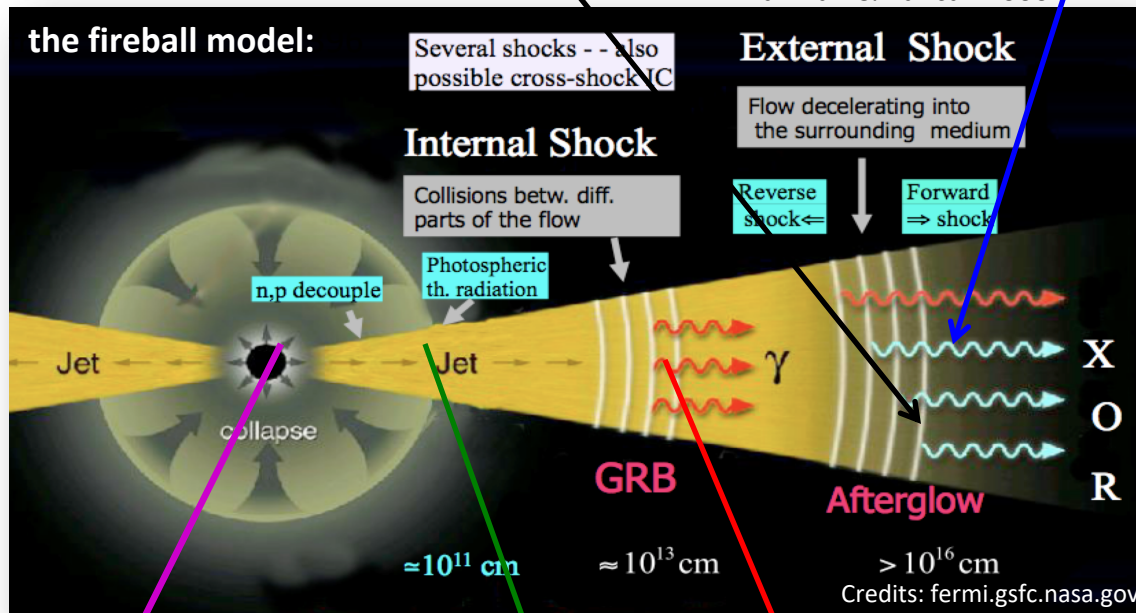
PeV-EeV neutrinos from flares

Murase & Nagataki

EeV neutrinos from external shocks

Dermer 2001

Waxman & Bahcall 2000



MeV neutrinos at collapse

TeV neutrinos at collapse

Meszaros & Waxman, 2001

Razzaque et al. 2003

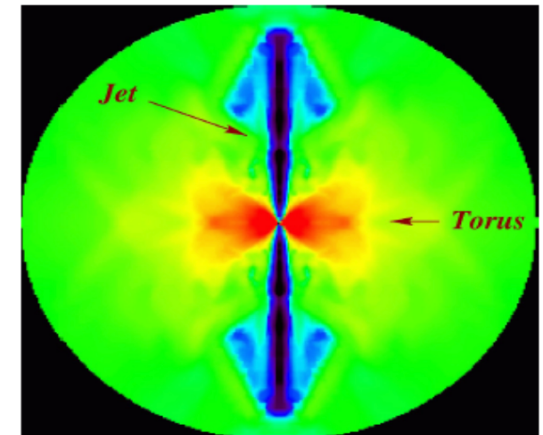
PeV neutrinos from internal shock

Waxman & Bahcall, 1997

Gupta & Zhang 2006

Murase & Nagataki 2006

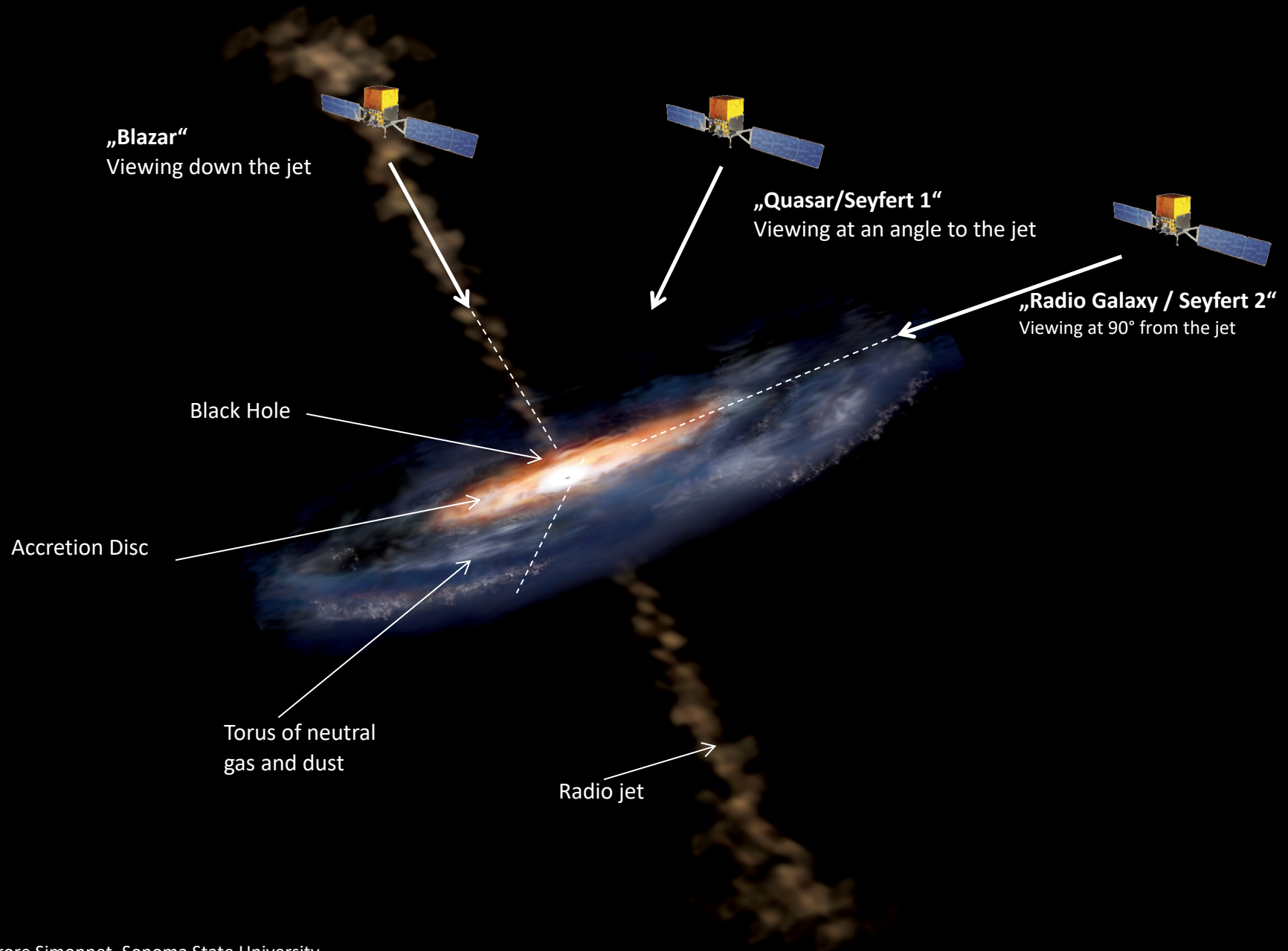
$$\begin{aligned} p\gamma &\rightarrow \Delta^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+ \\ pp &\rightarrow \pi, K \\ \pi^+ &\rightarrow \nu_\mu \mu^+ \rightarrow \nu_\mu e^+ \nu_e \bar{\nu}_\mu \end{aligned}$$



Less relativistic jet than for GRBs and the jet inside the star envelope

> The different shock waves will be traveling at different relativistic speeds, and it is the interaction between these different shock fronts that cause the energetic gamma-ray/neutrino emissions.

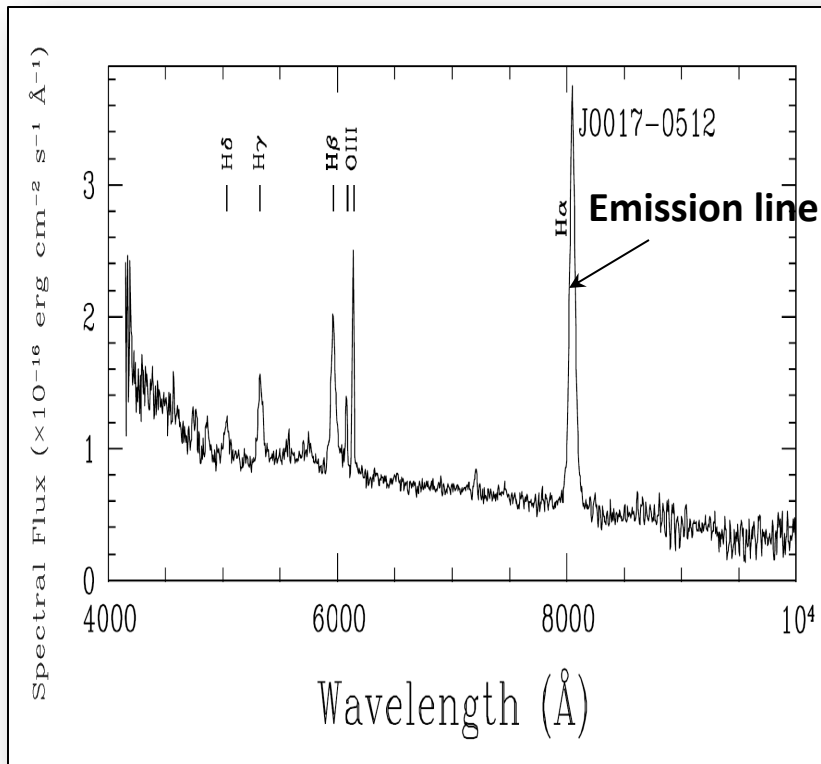
Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)



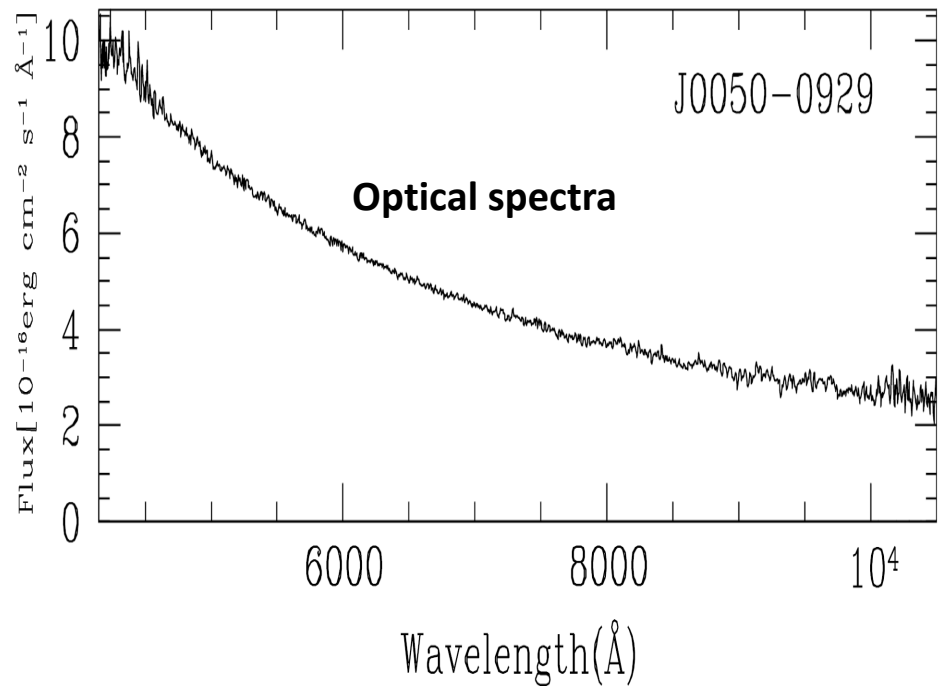
Blazars

FSRQ (Flat Spectrum Radio Quasar):

shows strong atomic lines in their optical and UV spectra (Quasar)



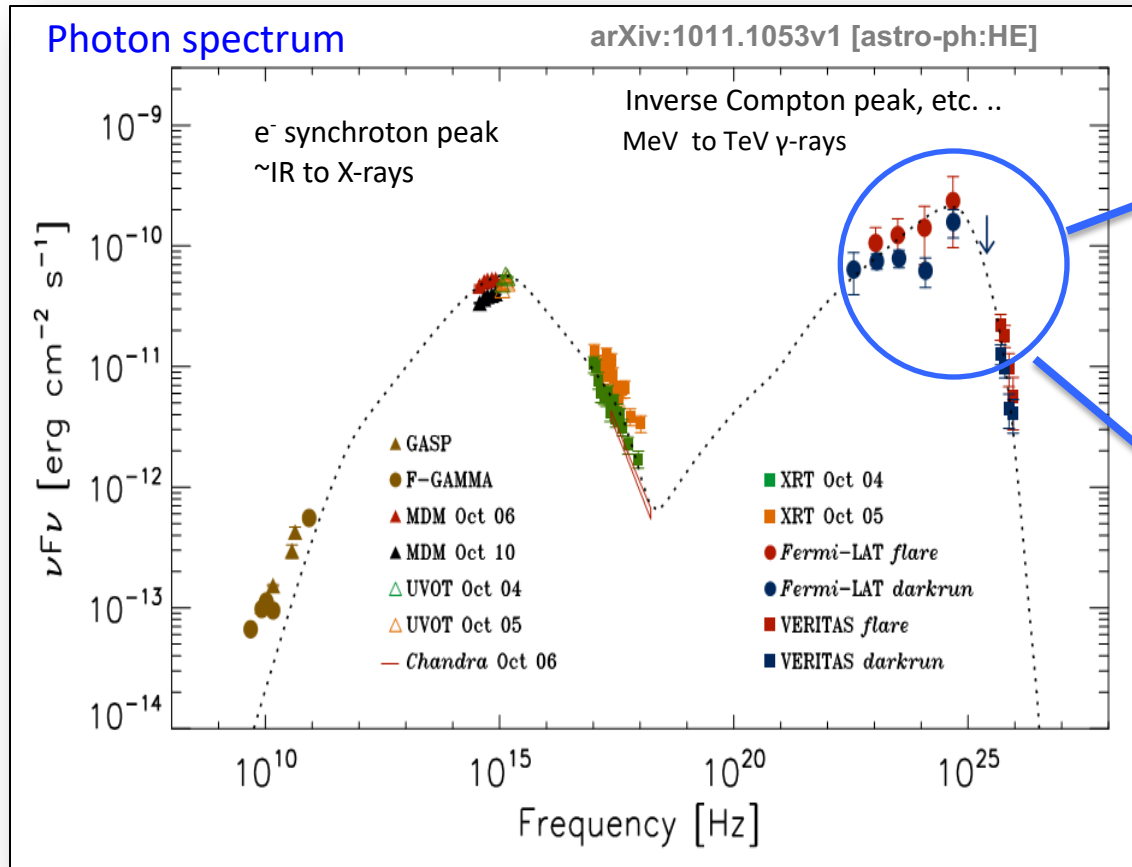
BL Lac



arXiv:0908.2996v1 [astro-ph:HE]

Blazars

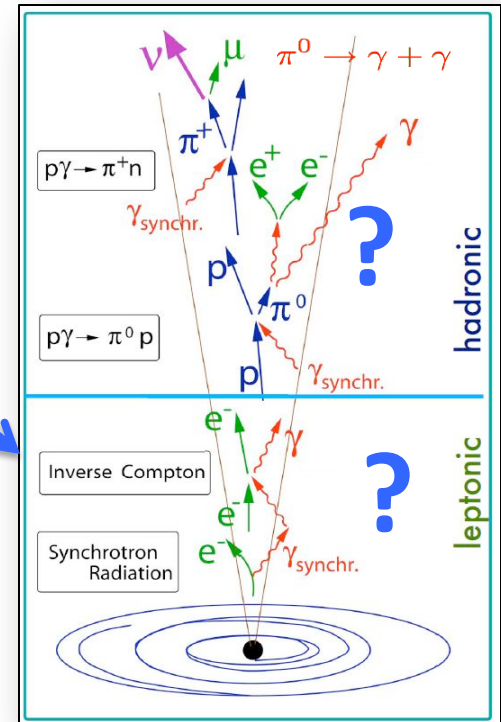
The spectral energy distribution (SED) 3C 66A (BL Lac)



Hadronic models:

- 1) Photo-meson production:
 $p\gamma \rightarrow \Delta^+ \rightarrow n\pi^+$
 $p\gamma \rightarrow p + \pi^0$
- 2) p-p interaction:
 $pp \rightarrow \pi^{\pm,0} \rightarrow \nu, e^{\pm}, \gamma$

or/and



Hadronic models predict
neutrino flux correlated with photon flux

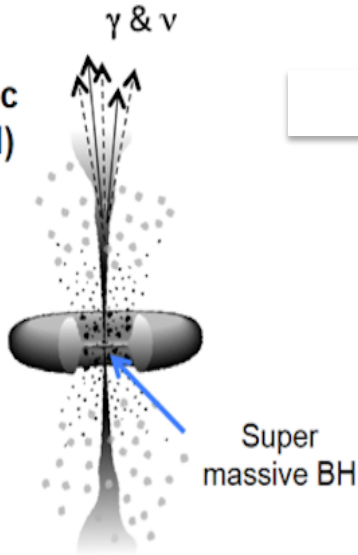
Leptonic models:

Synchrotron self-Compton
(SSC) models,..

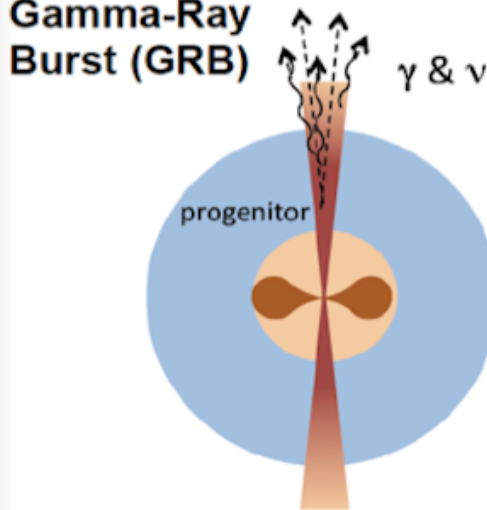
Different Scenarios with varying degree of jet formation

Jets are great astroparticle accelerators

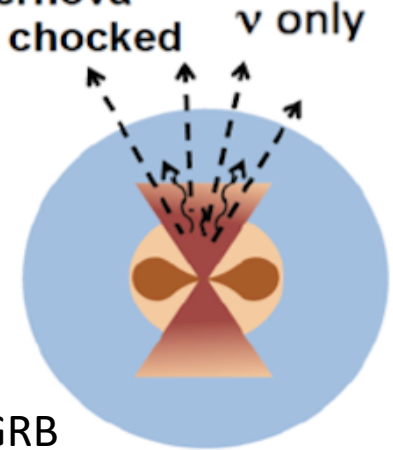
Active Galactic Nucleus (AGN)



Gamma-Ray Burst (GRB)

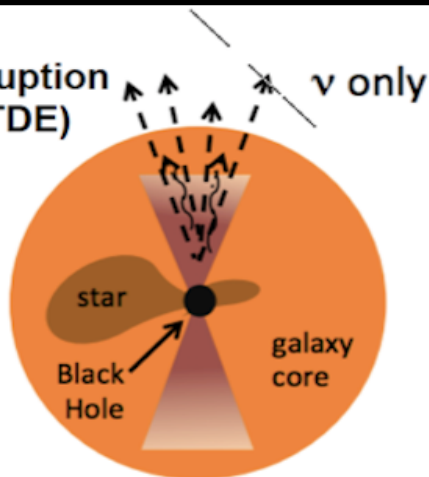


Supernova with choked jets

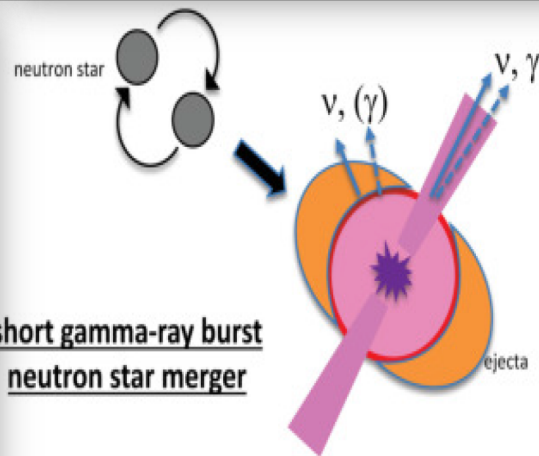


LL-GRB

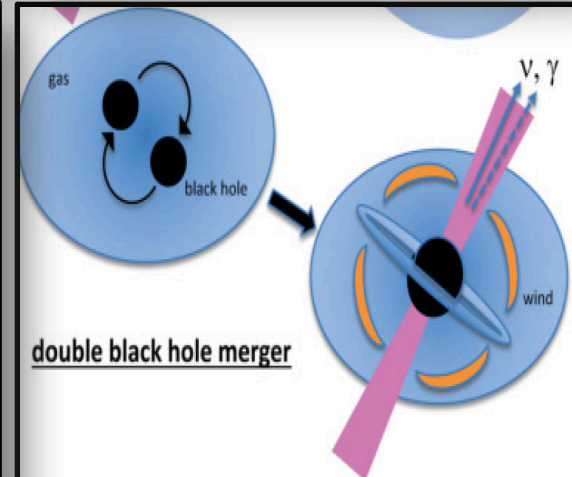
Tidal Disruption event (TDE)



short gamma-ray burst
neutron star merger



double black hole merger



But,
there is only weak evidence that AGNs are sources of UHECRs

The Pierre Auger Observatory search for UHECR correlation with:

> **γ -ray detected Active Galactic Nuclei**

- 2FHL AGNs (*Fermi*-LAT)
- 17 objects within 250 Mpc

significance 2.7σ

Astrophysical Journal Letters, 853:L29 (2018)

> **Starburst Galaxies**

- *Fermi*-LAT search list for star-formation objects
- 23 objects within 250 Mpc

significance 3.9σ

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$f_{\text{anisotropy}} = 10\%$, $\Psi = 13^\circ$
significance 3.9σ

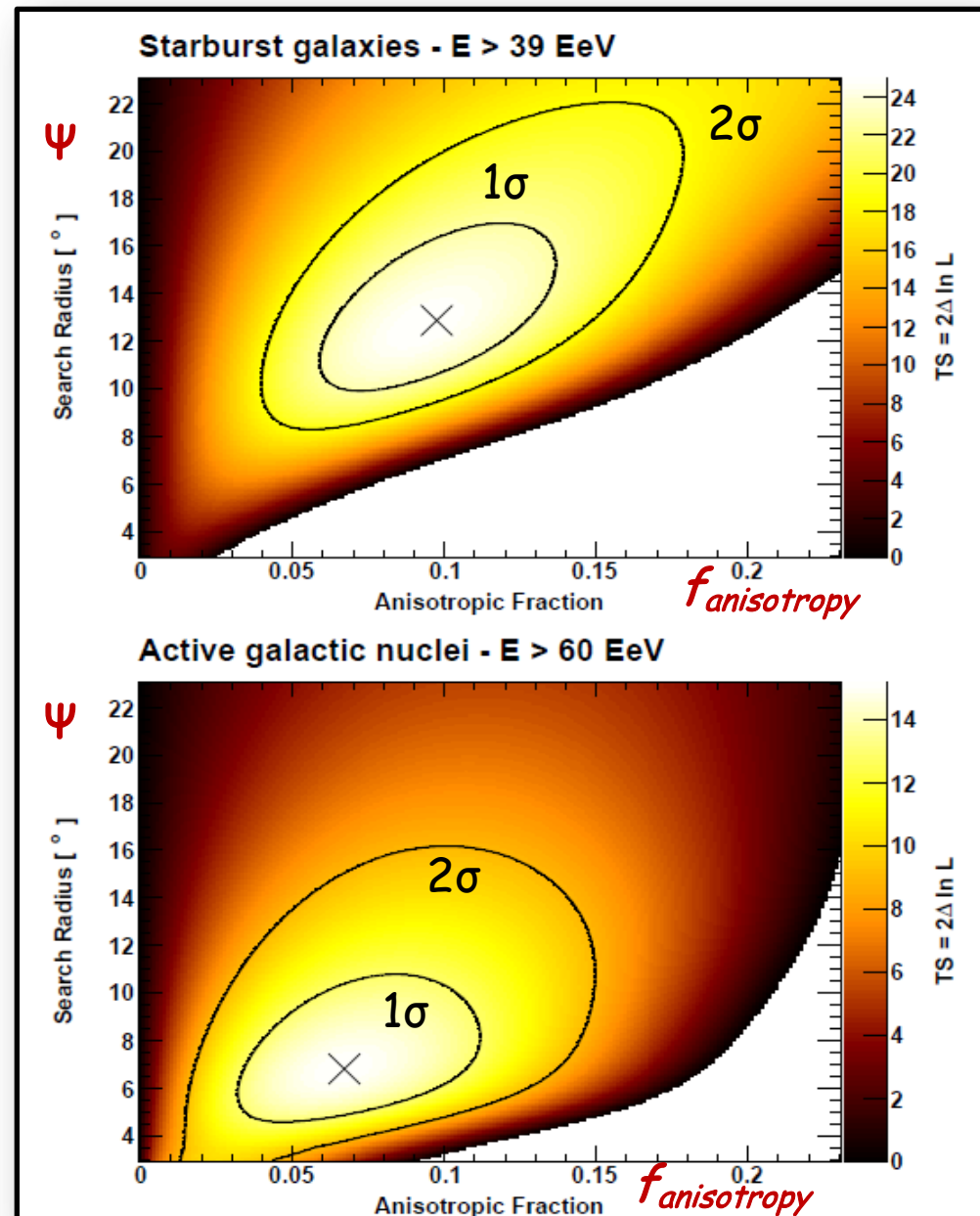
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Likelihood ratio analysis

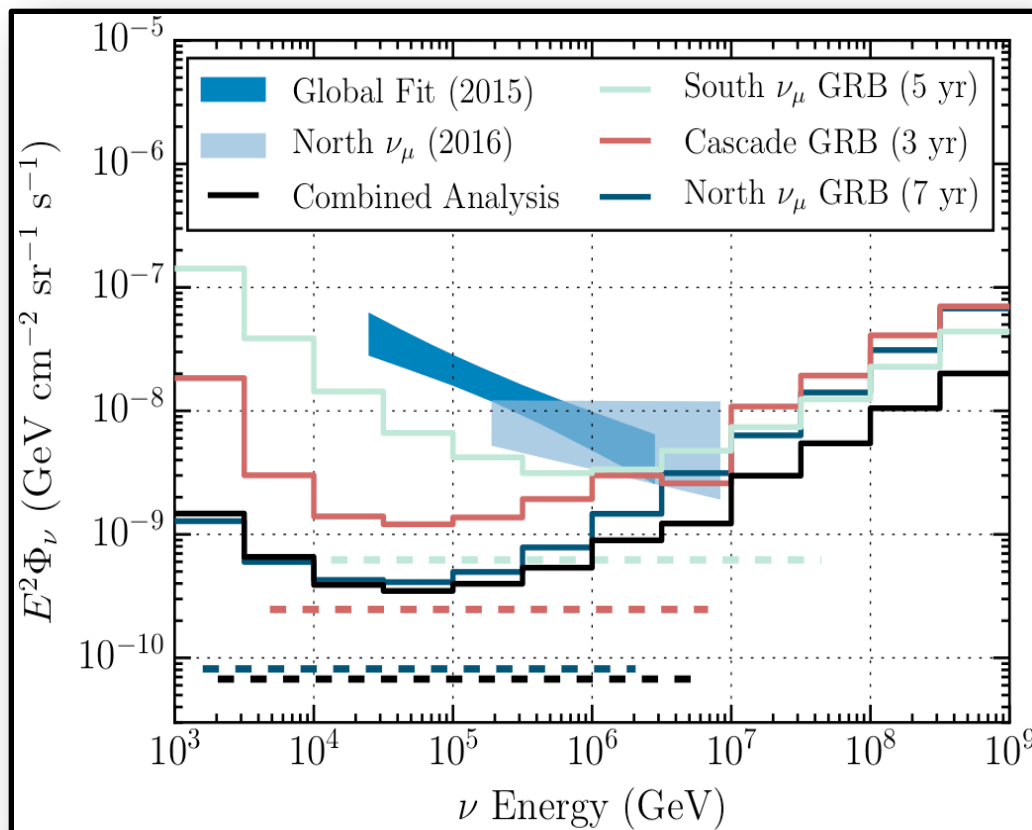
- correlation angle Ψ (takes into account the unknown deflections of the UHECRs in the magnetic field)
- H_0 : isotropy
- H_1 : $(1-f) \times \text{isotropy} + f \times \text{fluxMap}(\Psi)$
- Test Statistic = $2 \log(H_1 / H_0)$



Also classical GRBs do not fully explain
the origin of UHECRs

IceCube: AGNs and GRBs analysis

IceCube Collab., The Astrophysical Journal, 843, no. 2 , p.13



Using the timing and position information of each GRB, IceCube put the limit on GRB associated neutrinos

→ GRB cannot be a source of observed neutrinos*

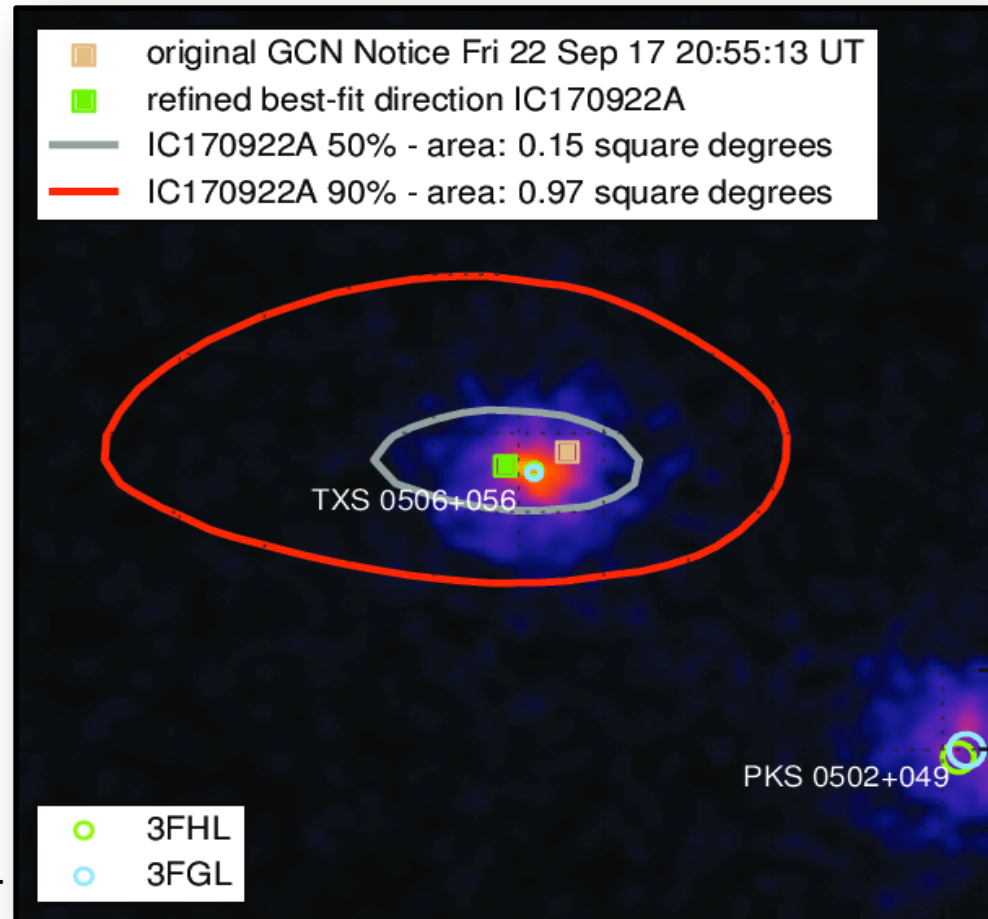
* The analysis focus only on the prompt phase (afterglow GRB phase is not included)

> IceCube searches constrain the maximum contribution of blazars (for steady emission) in the Fermi - LAT 2LAC catalogue to the observed astrophysical neutrino flux to be 27% or less between around 10 TeV and 2 PeV, assuming equi-partition of flavors at Earth and a single power-law spectrum.

IceCube Collab., Astrophysical Journal 835, no. 1, p. 45

... but TXS 0506+056 is also the first source of UHECRs ?

- > A high-energy neutrino event detected by IceCube on 22 September 2017 was coincident in direction and time with a gamma-ray flare (Fermi, MAGIC) from the blazar TXS 0506+056
- > In addition an excess of high - energy neutrino events at the position of TXS 0506+056 between Sept. 2014 and March 2015.
- > 3.5σ evidence for neutrino emission from the direction of TXS 0506+056, independent of and prior to the 2017 flaring episode.



IceCube, Fermi, MAGIC, ..., Science. 361 (6398): 147–151.

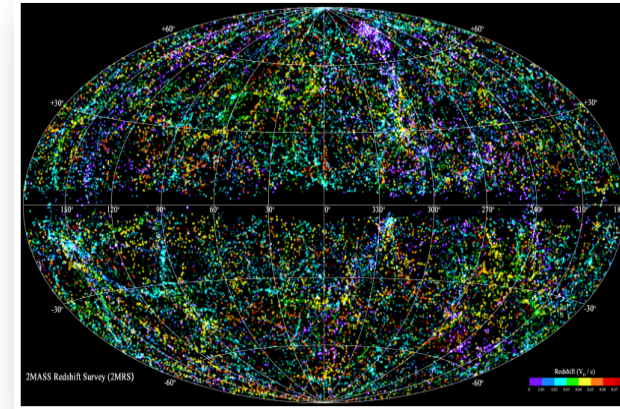
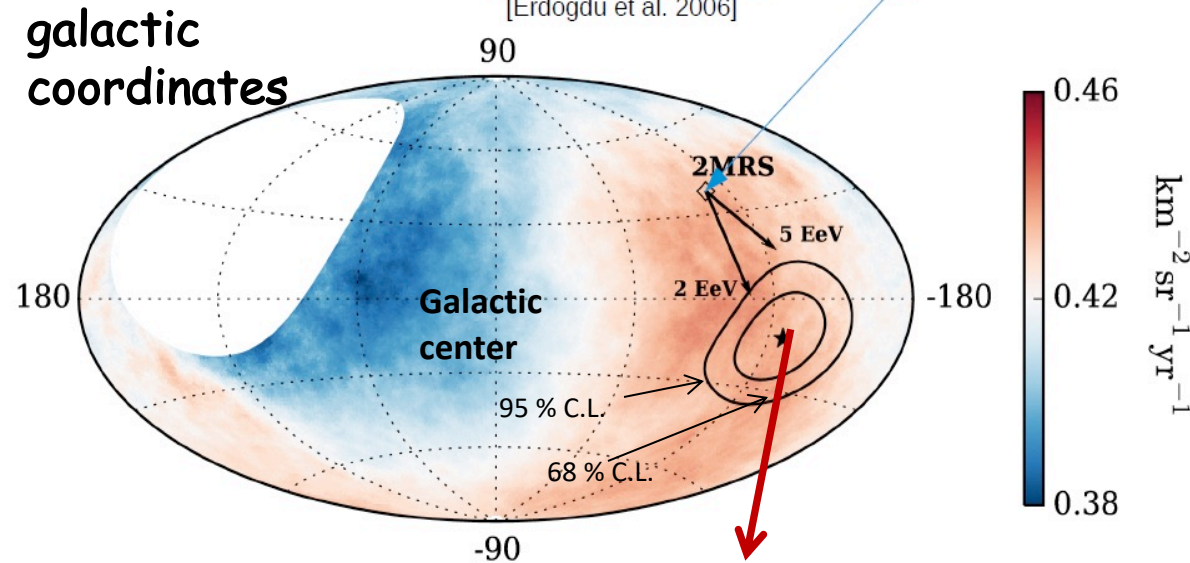
This suggests that blazars are identifiable sources of the high-energy astrophysical neutrino flux, but the neutrinos and the bulk of the gamma rays observed from TXS 0506+056 cannot have been initiated by the same process --> more sophisticated AGNs jet models required

Auger observation of dipolar anisotropy above 8 EeV

The flux-weighted dipole from IR galaxy distribution in 2MRS points to $(l, b) = (251^\circ, 38^\circ) \rightarrow \sim 55^\circ$ from observed

[Erdogdu et al. 2006]

Distribution of galaxies in the nearby Universe : 2MRS catalog



Traces of CRs in the galactic magnetic field



Observed dipole, Gal. coord. $(l, b) = (233^\circ, -13^\circ)$, $\sim 120^\circ$ away from GC \rightarrow **disfavours galactic origin**

Large-scale anisotropy can arise from:

- > inhomogeneous large-scale distribution on sources
- > diffusion in extragalactic magnetic fields from dominant nearby sources

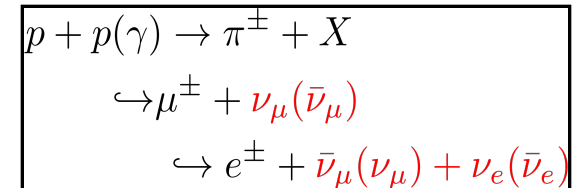
The Pierre Auger Collaboration, Science 357 (2017)

Multi-messenger approach and UHECR propagations

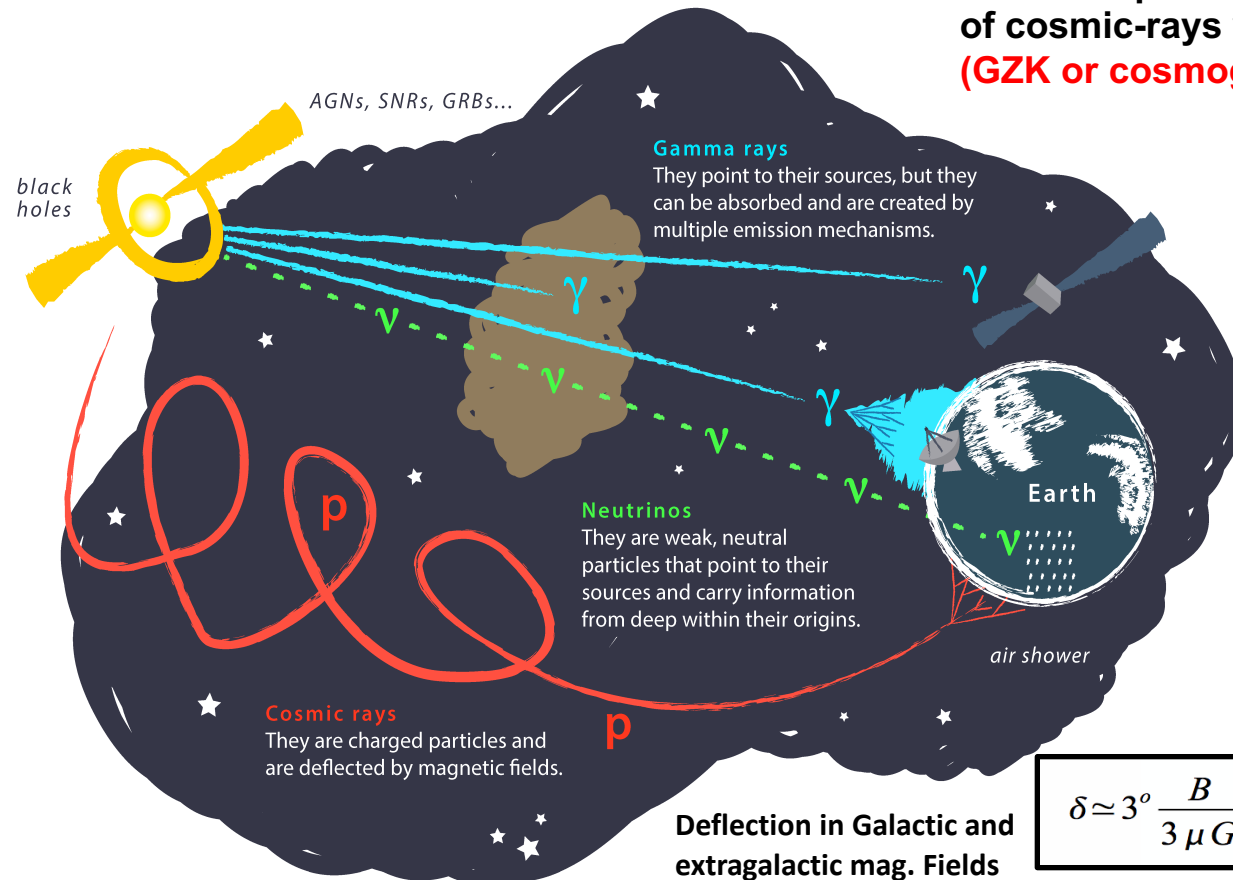
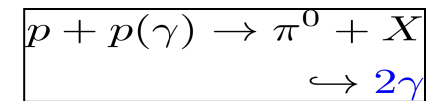
Image: Juan Antonio Aguilar and Jamie Yang. IceCube/WIPAC

> Neutrinos/photons are also produced from interaction of cosmic-rays with CMB
(GZK or cosmogenic neutrinos/photons)

> UHE neutrinos arise from decays of charged pions:



> Photons arise from decays of neutral pions:

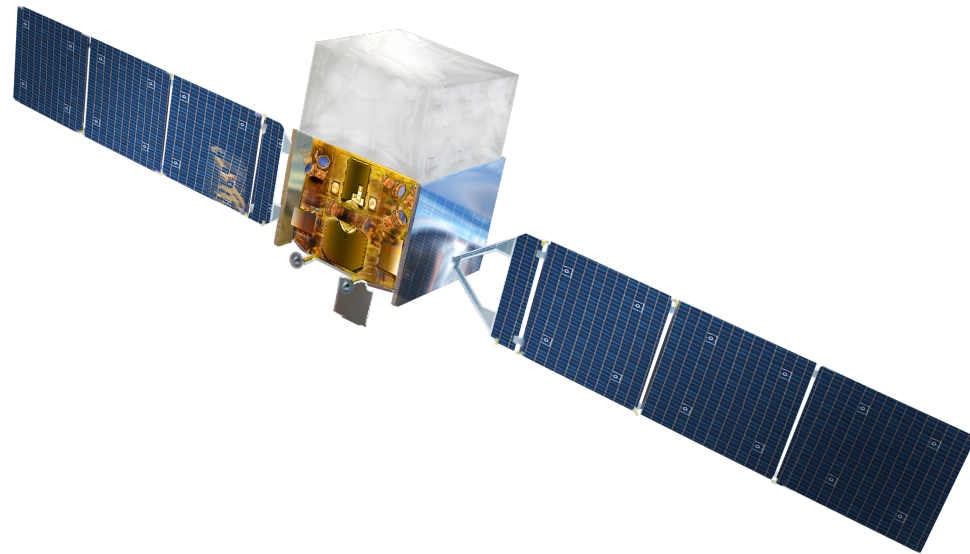
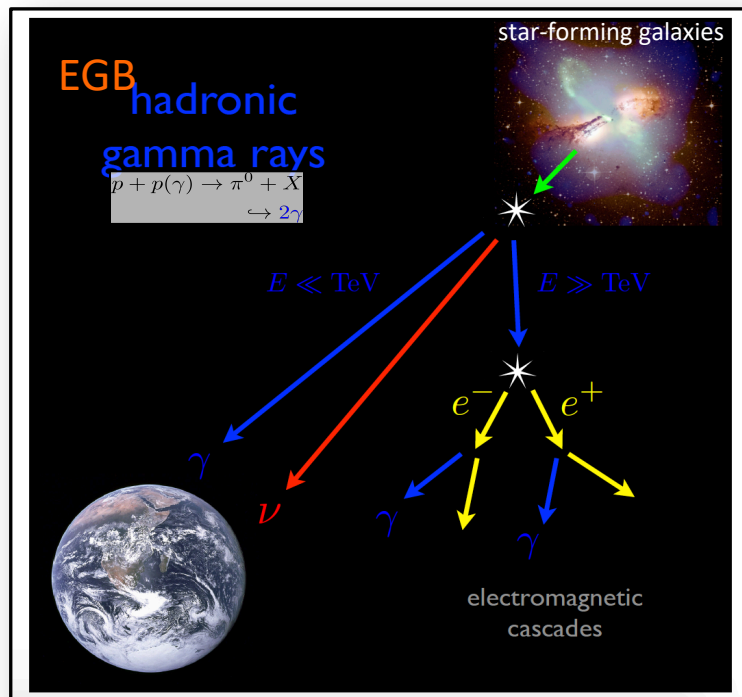


$$\delta \simeq 3^\circ \frac{B}{3 \mu G} \frac{L}{kpc} \frac{6 \times 10^{19} eV}{E/Z}$$

- > The determination of the origin of CRs is a difficult task since CRs are deflected during propagation and the extent of this angular deflection is still poorly constrained.
- > On the other hand, neutrinos propagate unaffected from their sources to us. They can deliver potentially valuable information on the sources of the most energetic CRs.

Extragalactic gamma-ray Background (EGB)

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pp model $\rightarrow \Gamma < 2.1 - 2.2$

K. Murase, M. Ahlers, B. Lacki PRD D88 121301

(arxiv/1511.00688)

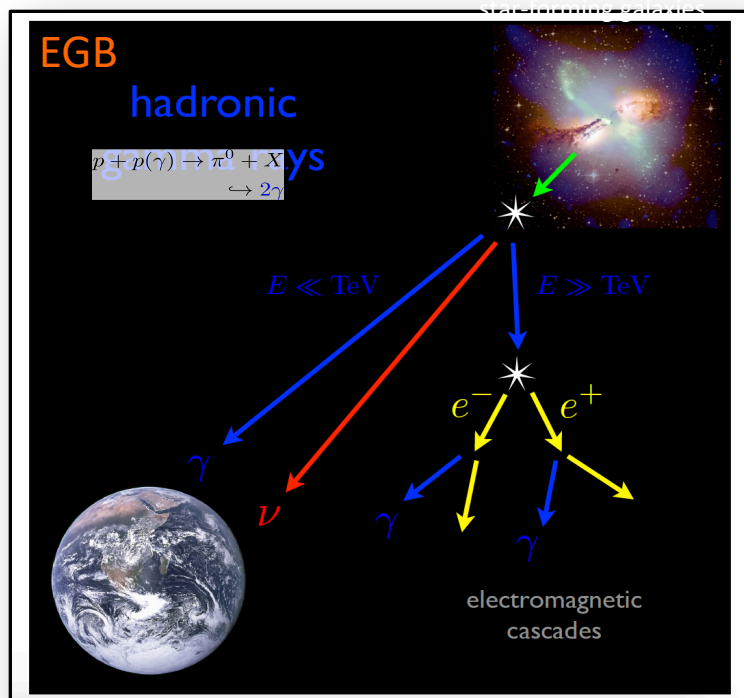
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> Cosmic-ray induced gamma-ray emission in star-forming galaxies as the dominant source of HESE (arxiv/1306.3417), but in (arxiv/15.11.00688) evidence against star-forming galaxies

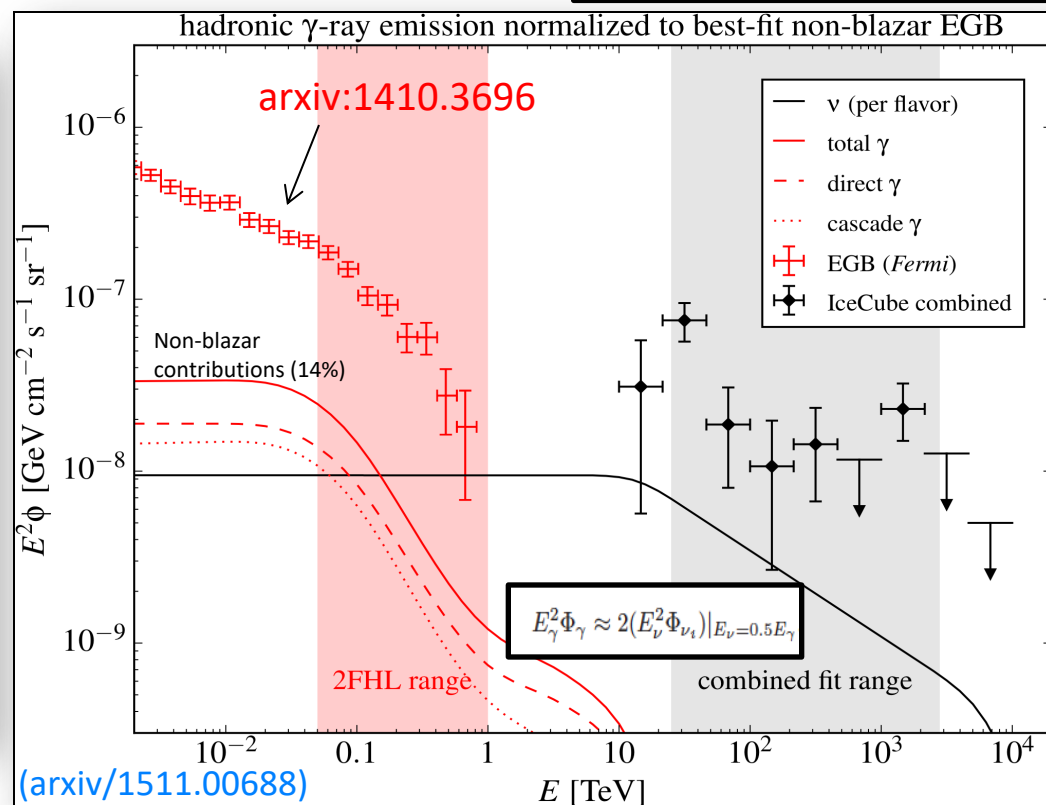
$$E_\nu^2 \Phi_{\nu_i} \approx \frac{ct_H \xi_z}{4\pi} \frac{1}{6} \min[1, f_{pp}](E_p Q_{E_p})$$



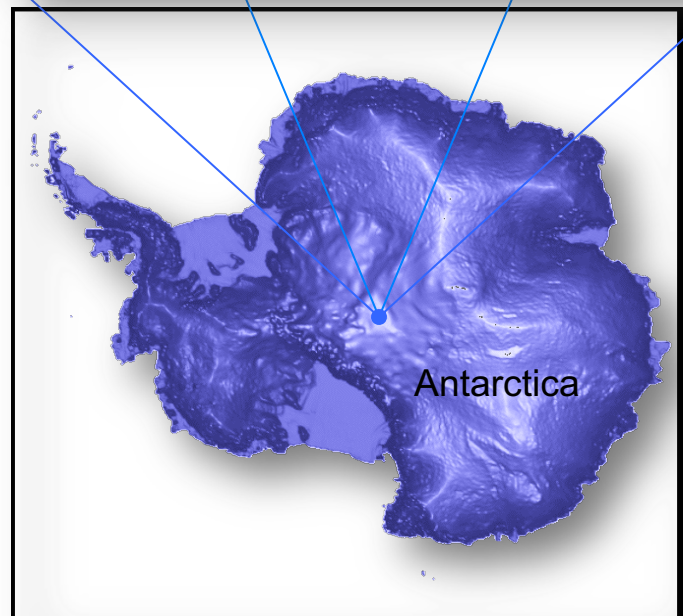
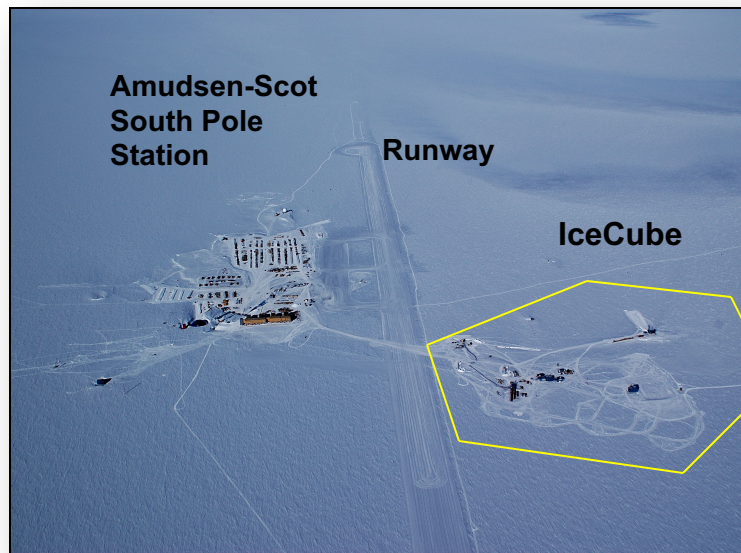
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IceCube-Detector



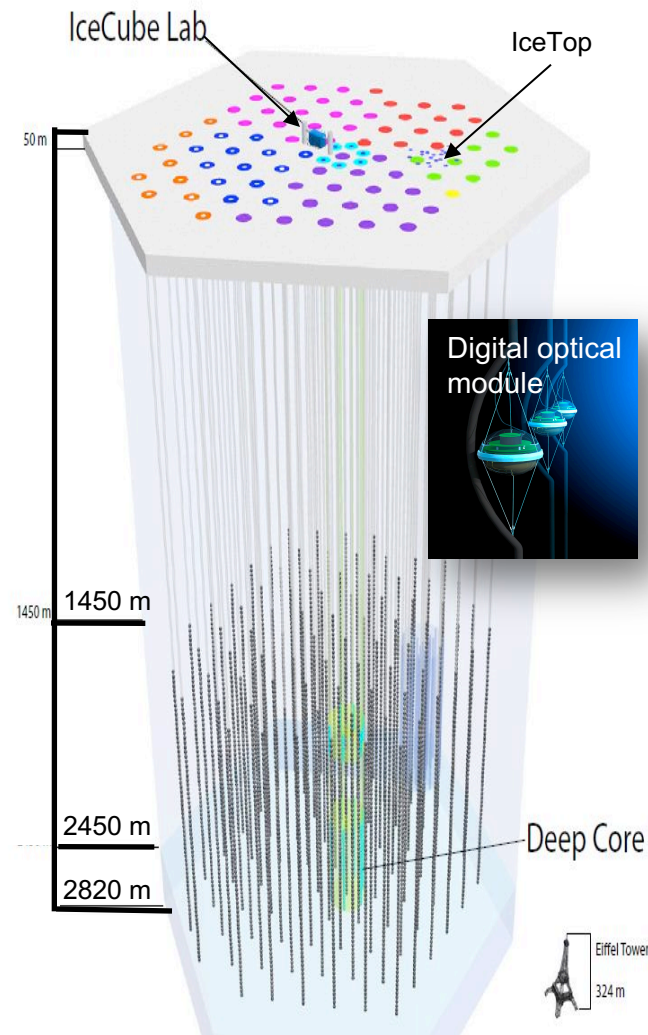
Construction:

2005: 1st String
2006: +8 = 9 strings
2007: +13 = 22 strings
2008: +18 = 40 strings
2009: +19 = 59 strings
2010: +20 = 79 strings
2011: +8 = 86 strings

60 Digital Optical Modules
per string

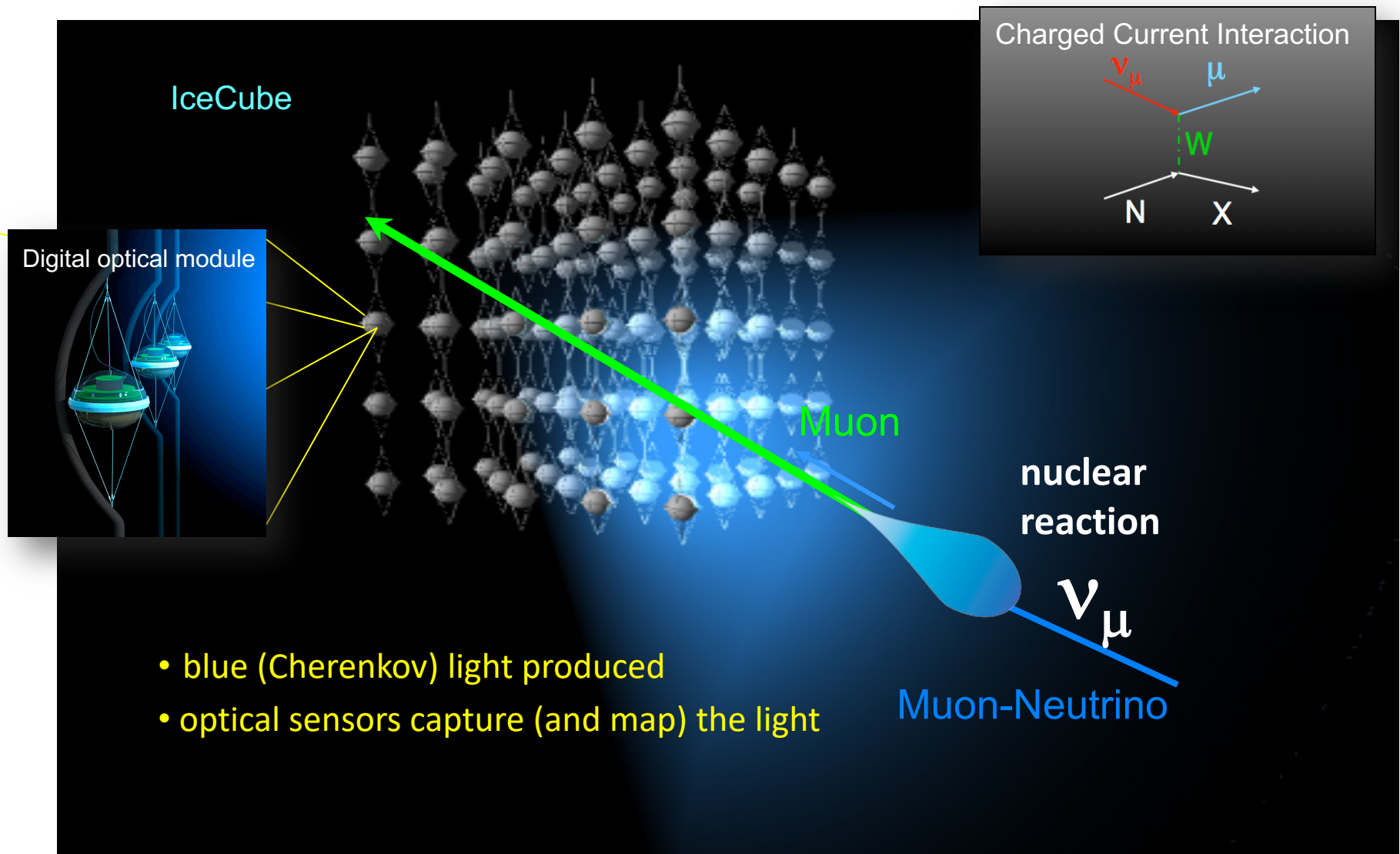
5160 modules in Ice
1 km³ instrumented
volume

IceTop:
81 stations
324 modules total
1 km² surface array



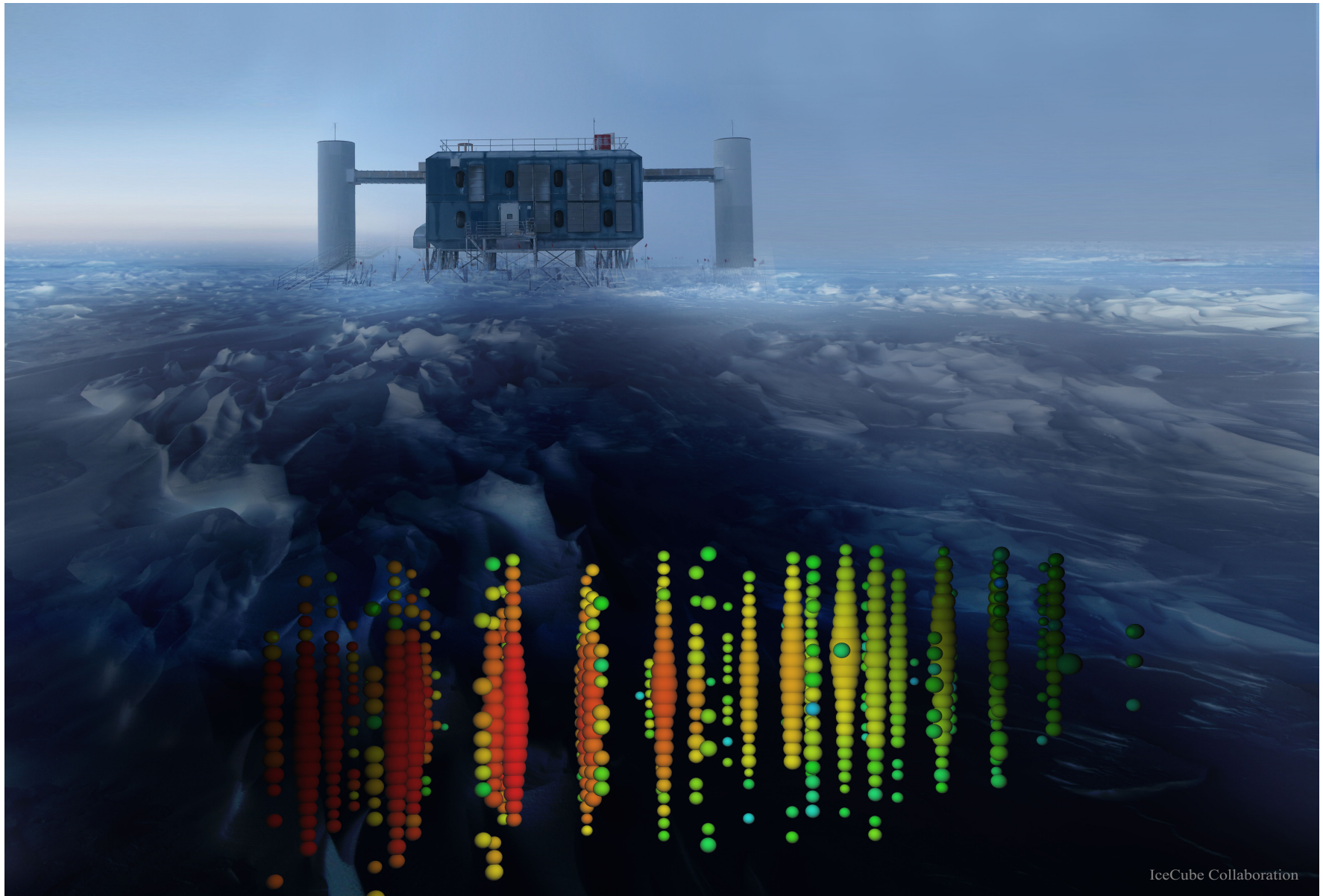
Construction finished December 2010

IceCube-Detector (basic detection principle)

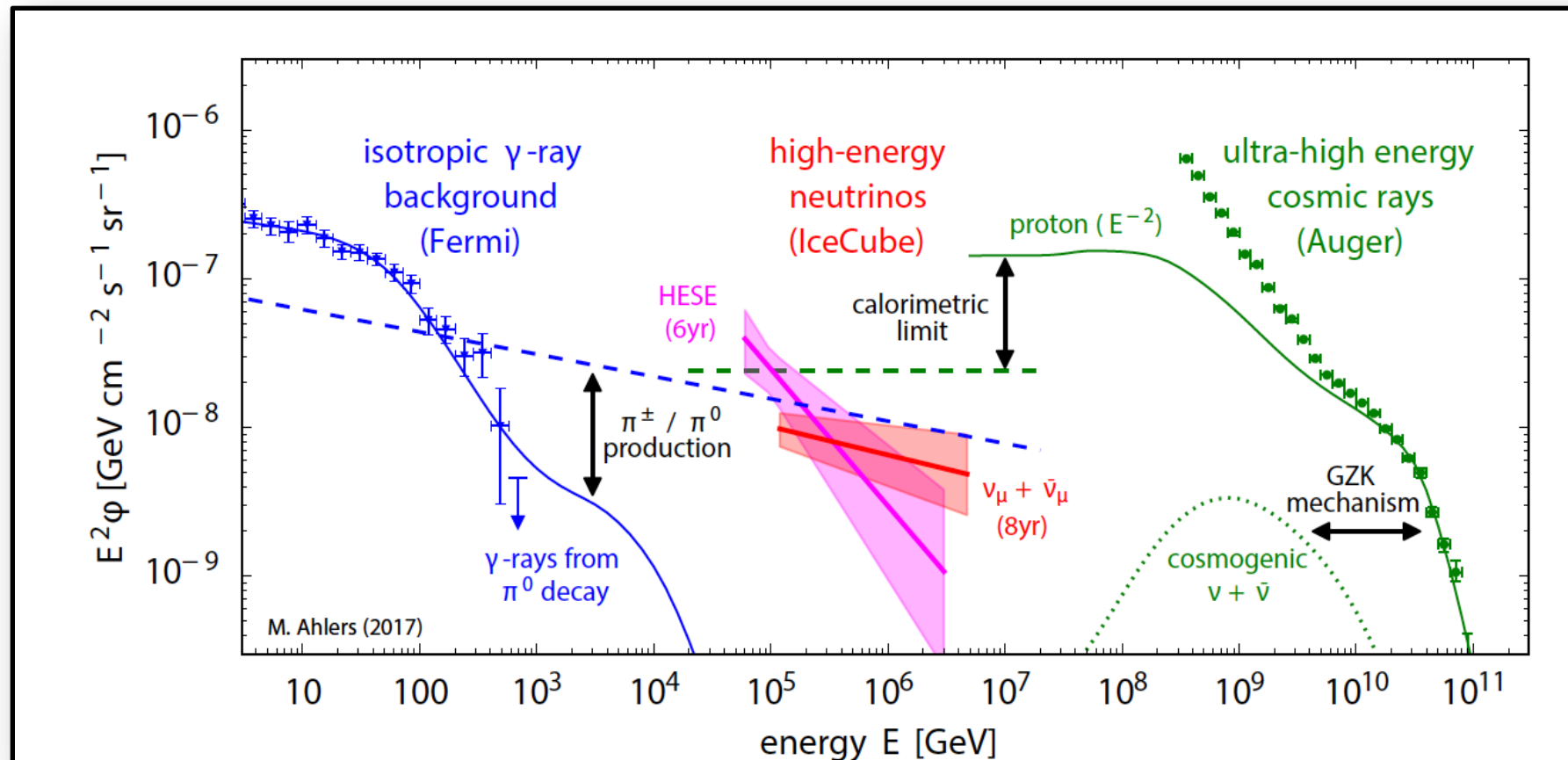


Detection principle: Cherenkov light from charged particles produced in neutrino interaction

IceCube-Detector (~ 1 PeV event)



Global picture – energy density and multi-messenger physics



- > Despite ten orders of magnitudes difference in energy, UHECRs, IceCube neutrinos, Fermi non-blazar EGB share similar energy injection rate.

Murase, Ahlers, B.C. Lacki, PRD (2013) E. Waxman 1312.0558 Giacin et al (2015) Murase & Waxman PRD (2016), Wang & Loeb PRD (2017)

<p>Energy density per decade similar in all three messenger particles</p>	$\rho_{\text{decay}} = \int_{\text{decade}} E \frac{dN}{d \ln E} d \ln E$
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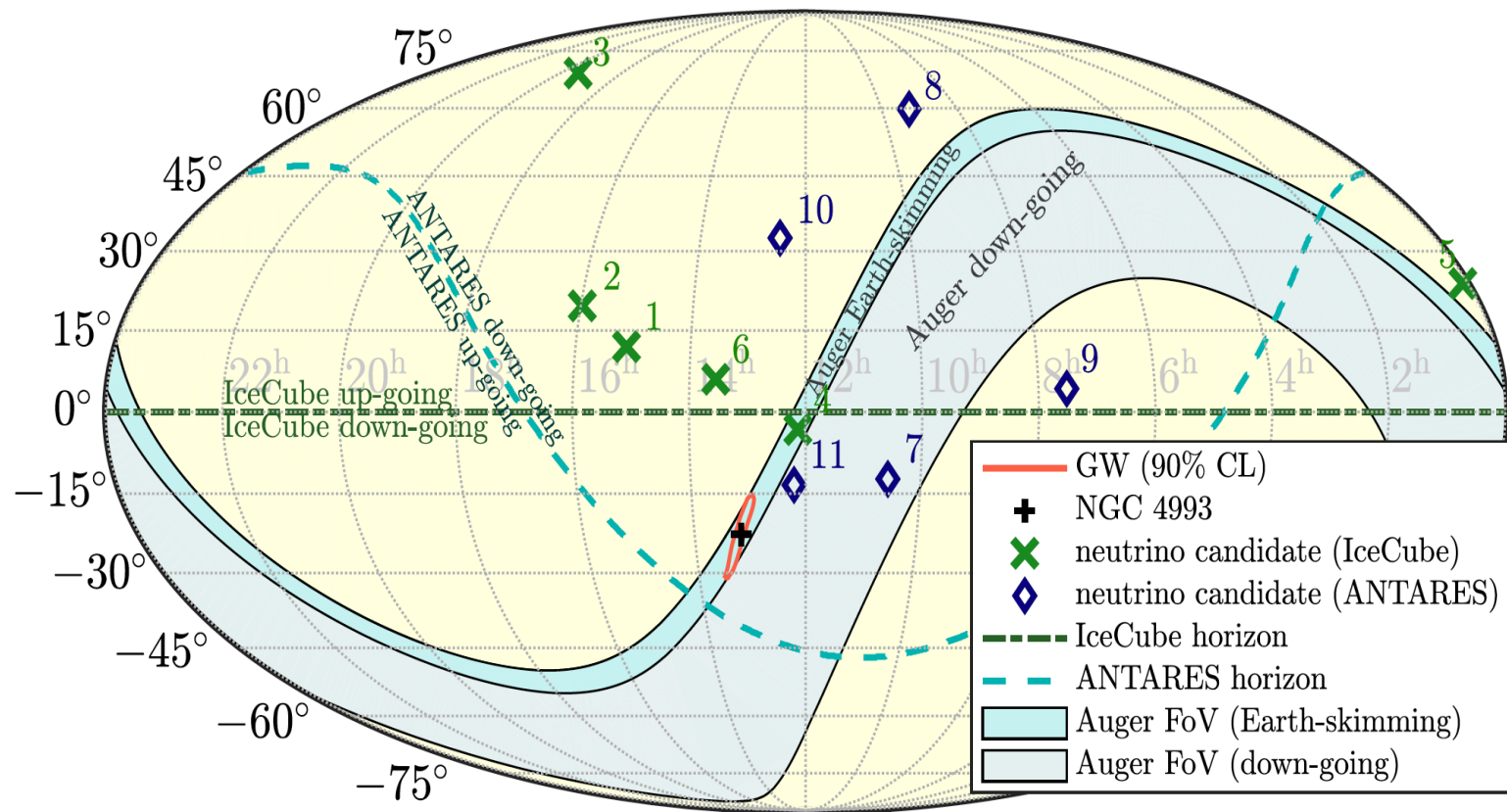
- This may indicate a common origin of these signals, which provides excellent conditions for multi-messenger studies

Example of follow-ups of astrophysical transients: GW170817

Energy range of Auger: $E_\nu > 10^{17}$ eV

Zenith angle of optical counterpart within ± 500 s: $(90.4^\circ; 93.3^\circ)$, Earth-skimming

Search results: no candidates in time windows ± 500 s, +14 days



Choked Jets and Low-Luminosity GRBs

- > **AGNs, GRBs, Star-form./burst galaxies do not explain the IceCube neutrino signal**
...IceCube neutrinos are also not traced by extragalactic γ -emitters* (VERITAS, MAGIC, Fermi) →
IceCube neutrinos could originate from environments with high γ -ray opacity
- > **Choked jets and Low Luminosity GRBs as hidden neutrino sources**

N. Senno, K. Murase, P. Meszaros *Phys. Rev. D* 93, 083003 (2016); E. Nakar, *The Astrophysical Journal*, 807 2 (2015) → LL GRB 060218/SN 2006 AJ, * except TXS 0506+056

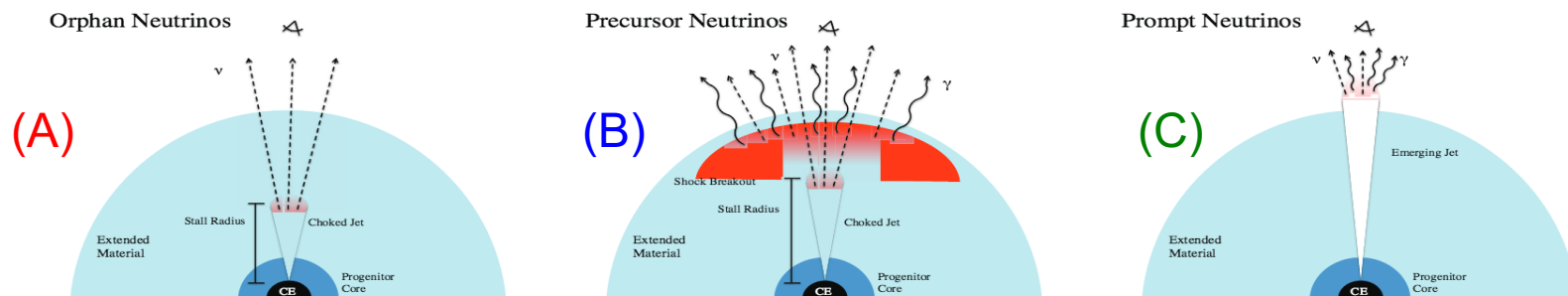


FIG. 1: **Left panel:** The choked jet model for jet-driven SNe. Orphan neutrinos are expected since electromagnetic emission from the jet is hidden, and such objects may be observed as hypernovae. **Middle panel:** The shock breakout model for LL GRBs, where transrelativistic SNe are driven by choked jets. Choked jets produce precursor neutrinos since the gamma-ray emission comes from the SN shock breakout later than the neutrinos (e.g., [25]). **Right panel:** The emerging jet model for GRBs and LL GRBs. Both neutrinos and gamma rays are produced by the successful jet, and both messengers can be observed as prompt emission.

- Neutrinos

- γ -ray absorbed

- Time scale: $10^{1.5} - 10^{2.5}$ s

- neutrino precursor

- Later γ -ray counterpart

- Time scale: 10 - 1000 s

- neutrinos

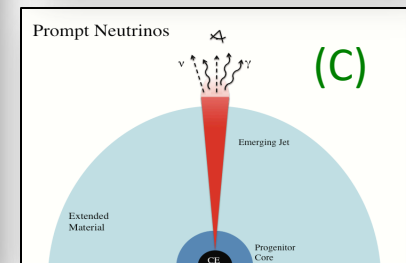
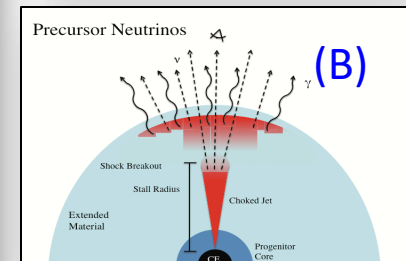
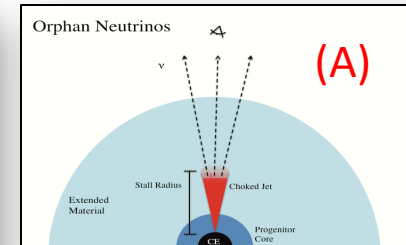
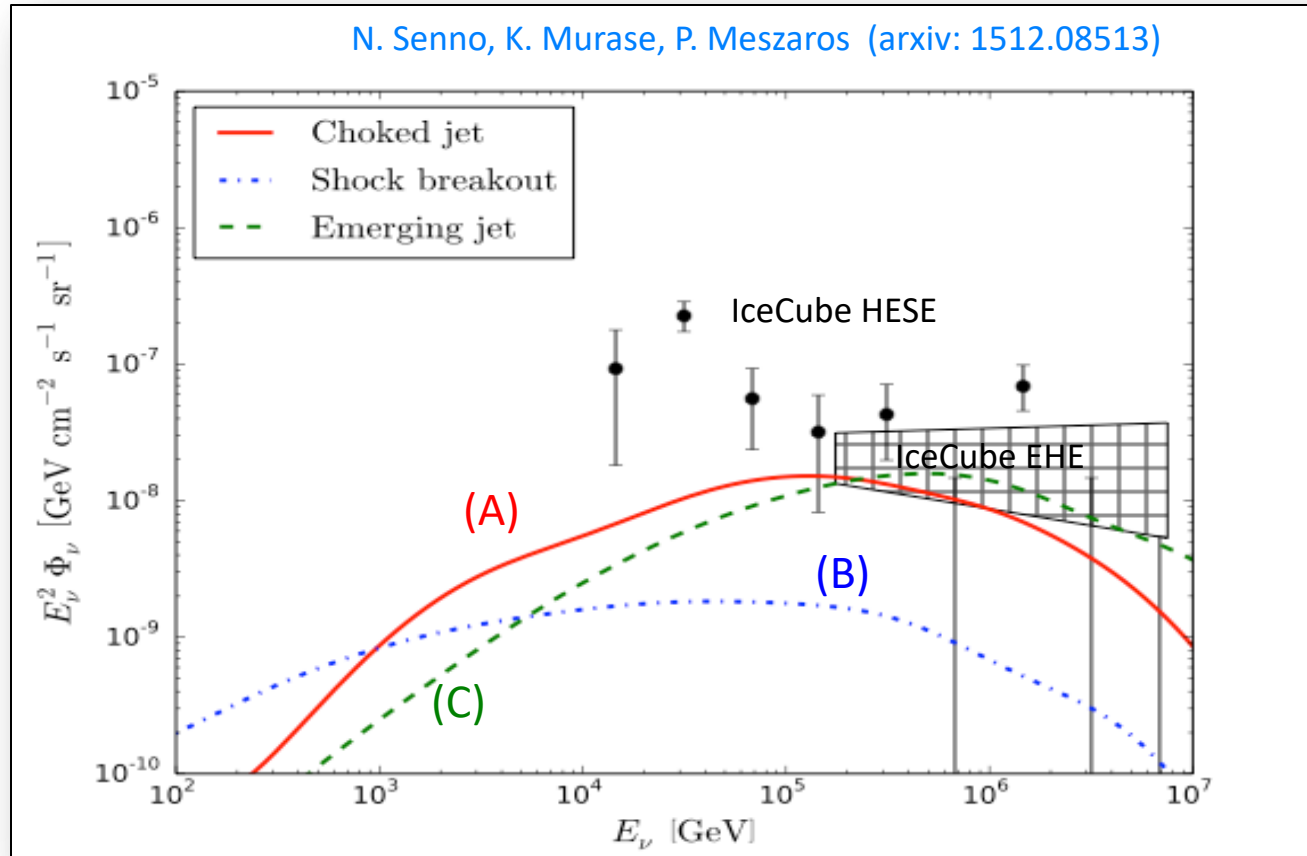
- γ -ray emission

- Time scale: $10^{3.5}$ s

- > **UHECRs produced in the nuclear cascade in the jets of LL-GRBs can describe the UHECR spectrum and composition, and at the same time, the diffuse neutrino flux at the highest energies.** [D. Boncioli, D. Biehl, W. Winter The Astrophysical Journal, 872, 1](#)

Choked Jets and Low-Luminosity GRBs

- Choked jets sources are dark in GeV-TeV gamma rays, so only neutrino are predicted

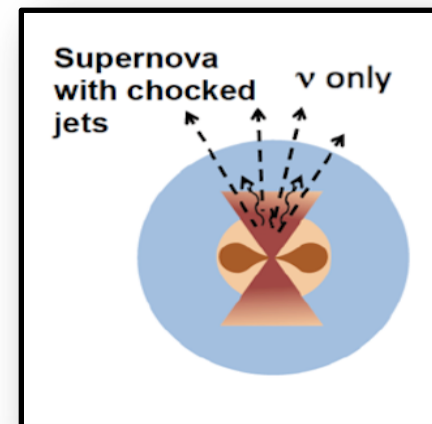


- Tidal disruption jets (TDEs) of supermassive black holes ➔ hidden neutrino sources ➔ can also explain IceCube neutrinos, but again dark in GeV-TeV γ -rays (arxiv:1512.08596)

Low-Luminosity GRBs and Tidal Disruptions Events

> Choked jets and Low Luminosity GRBs as hidden neutrino/UHECR sources

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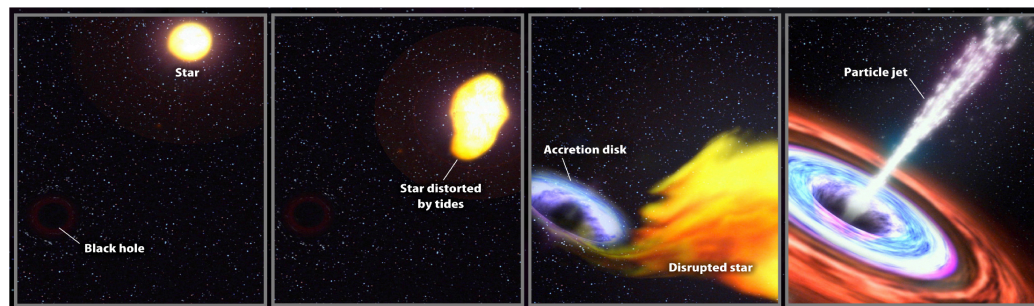


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What are Tidal Disruption Events?



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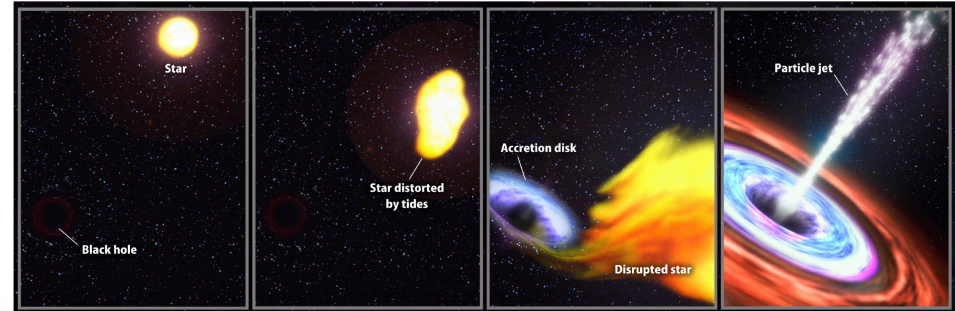
> UHECRs produced in the nuclear cascade in the jets of LL-GRBs/TDEs can describe the UHECRs

spectrum and composition, and at the same time, the diffuse neutrino flux at the highest energies [D.Boncioli, D. Biehl, W. Winter The Astrophysical Journal, 872, 1](#)
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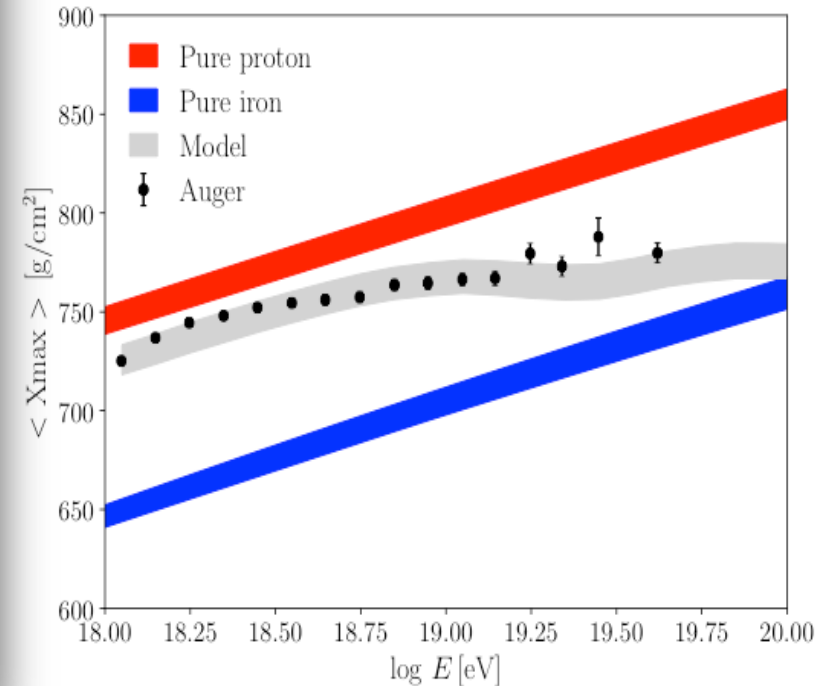
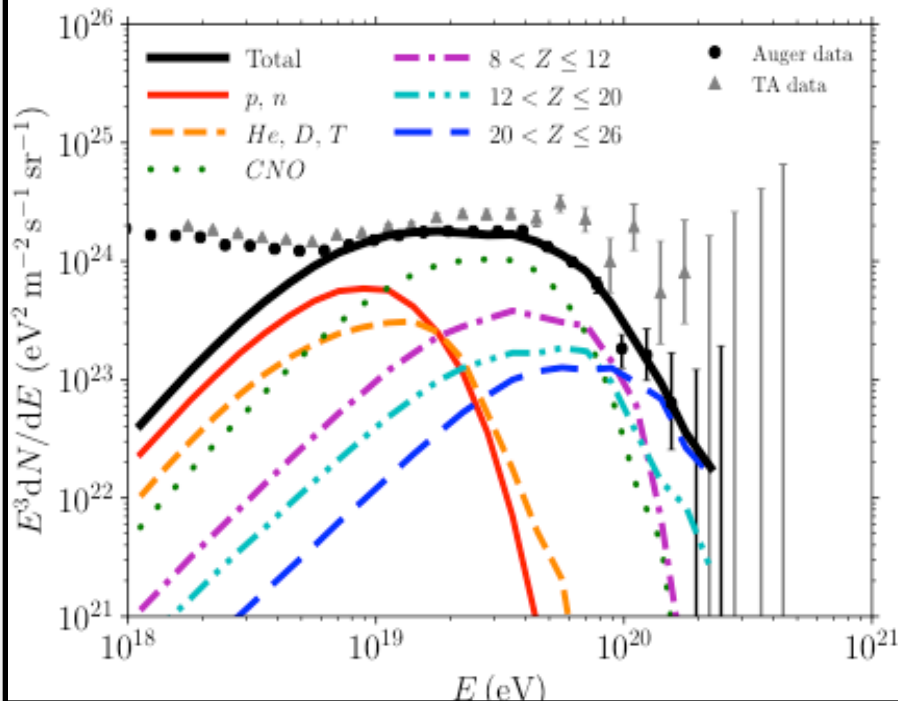
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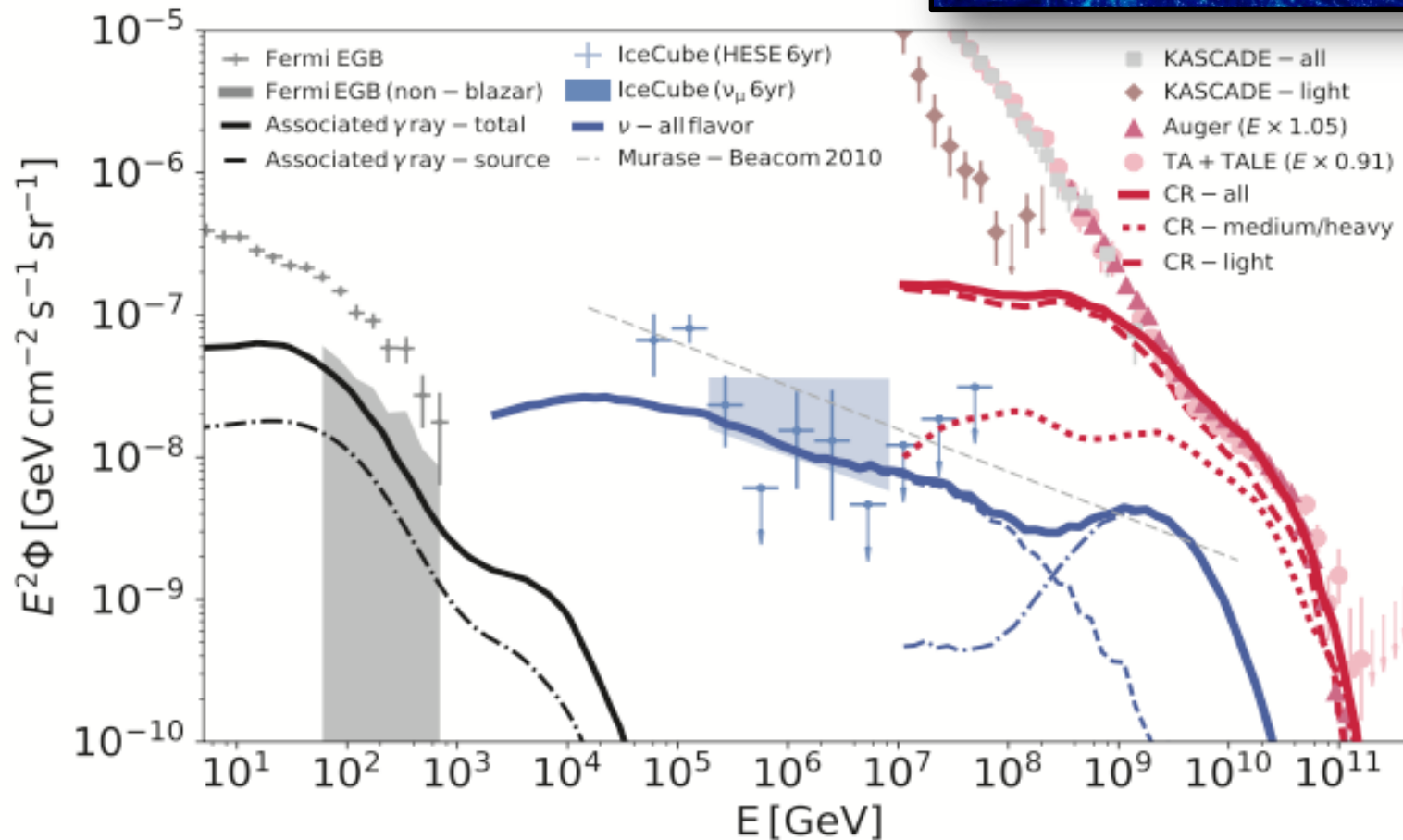


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Summary

- > Still there are open questions about the origin of UHECRs
 - classical AGNs, GRBs, star-form./burst galaxies do not yet fully explain the origin of UHECRs

but ..

- *the first source of CRs is TXS 0506+056 and it is a blazar*
- *first time detection of a GRB at sub-TeV energies by MAGIC (GRB 190114C, ATel #12390)*

On the other hand

- UHECRs/neutrinos could originate from environments with high γ -ray opacity like LL-GRBs, TDEs, ...

- > Era of multi-messenger physics
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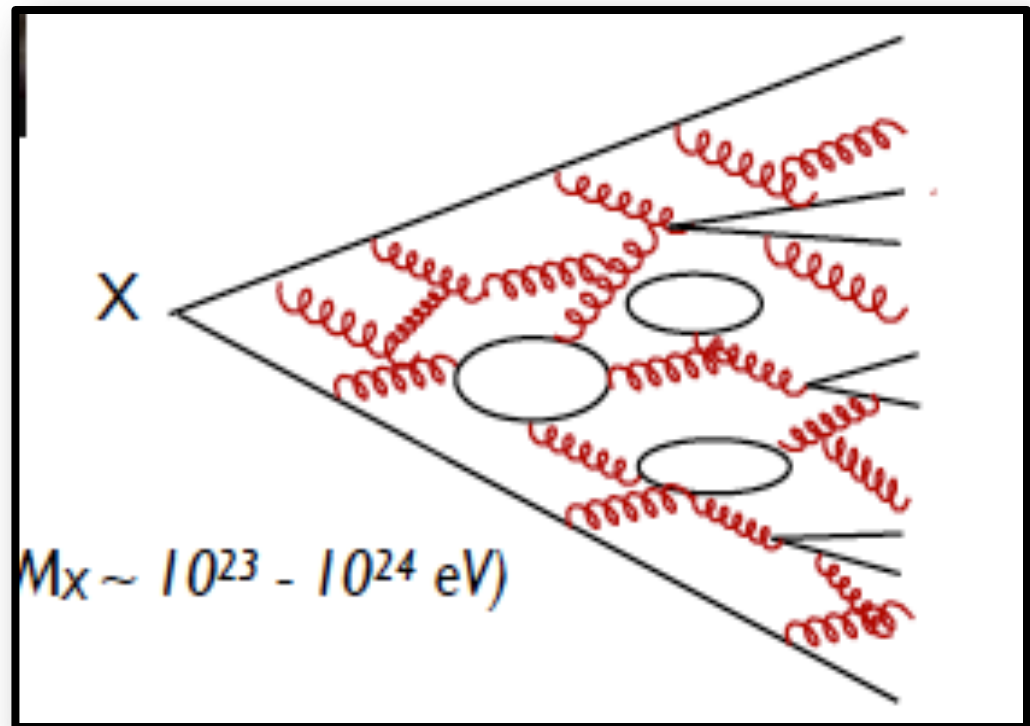
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Top-down models of UHECRs

- Sources of UHECR and astrophysics

X-particles from:

- topological defects
- monopoles
- cosmic strings
- cosmic necklaces



QCD: $\sim E^{-1.5}$ energy spectrum

QCD+SUSY: $\sim E^{-1.9}$ spectrum