

# Current status and future prospects for ultrahigh energy cosmic rays from a theoretical point of view

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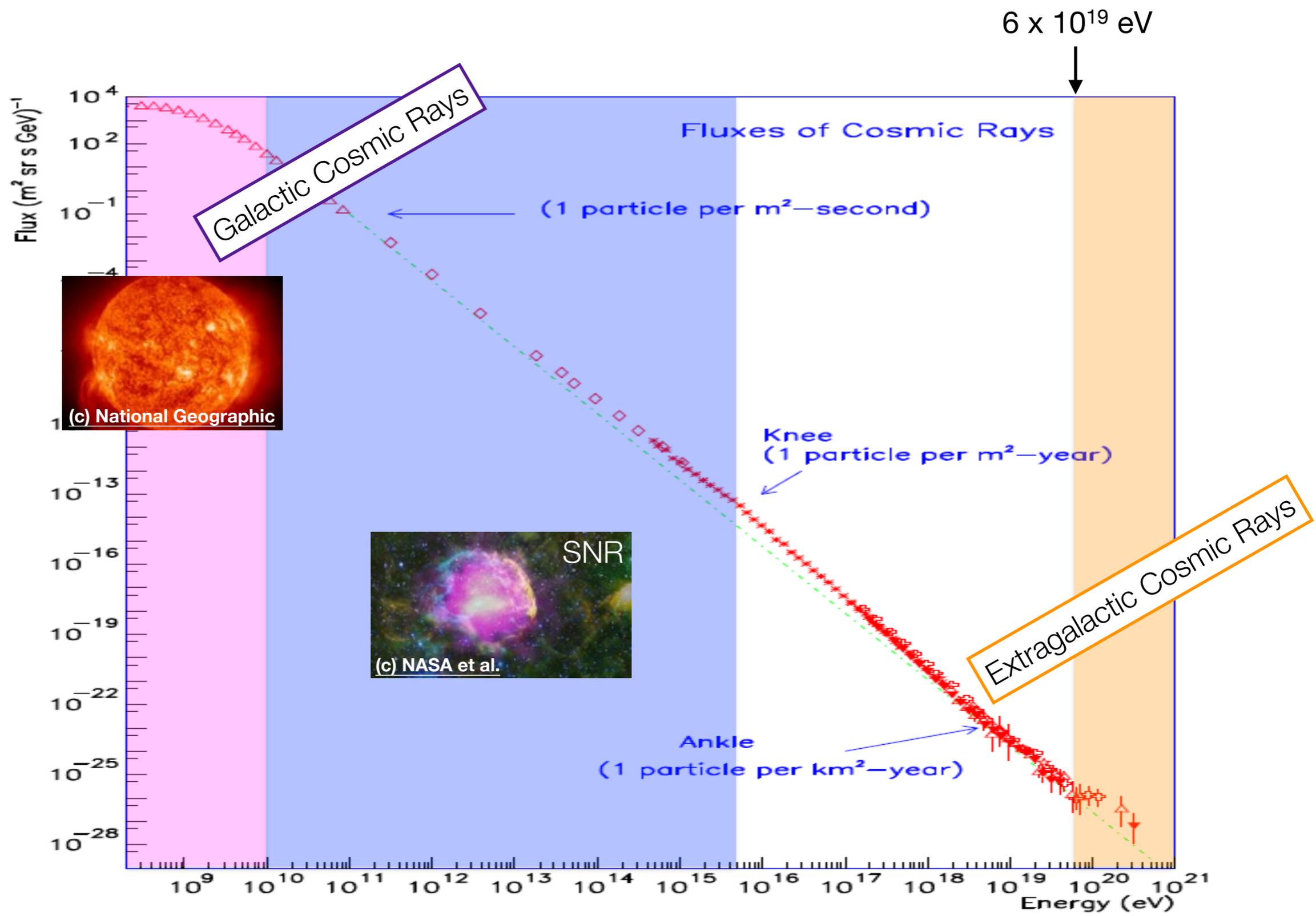
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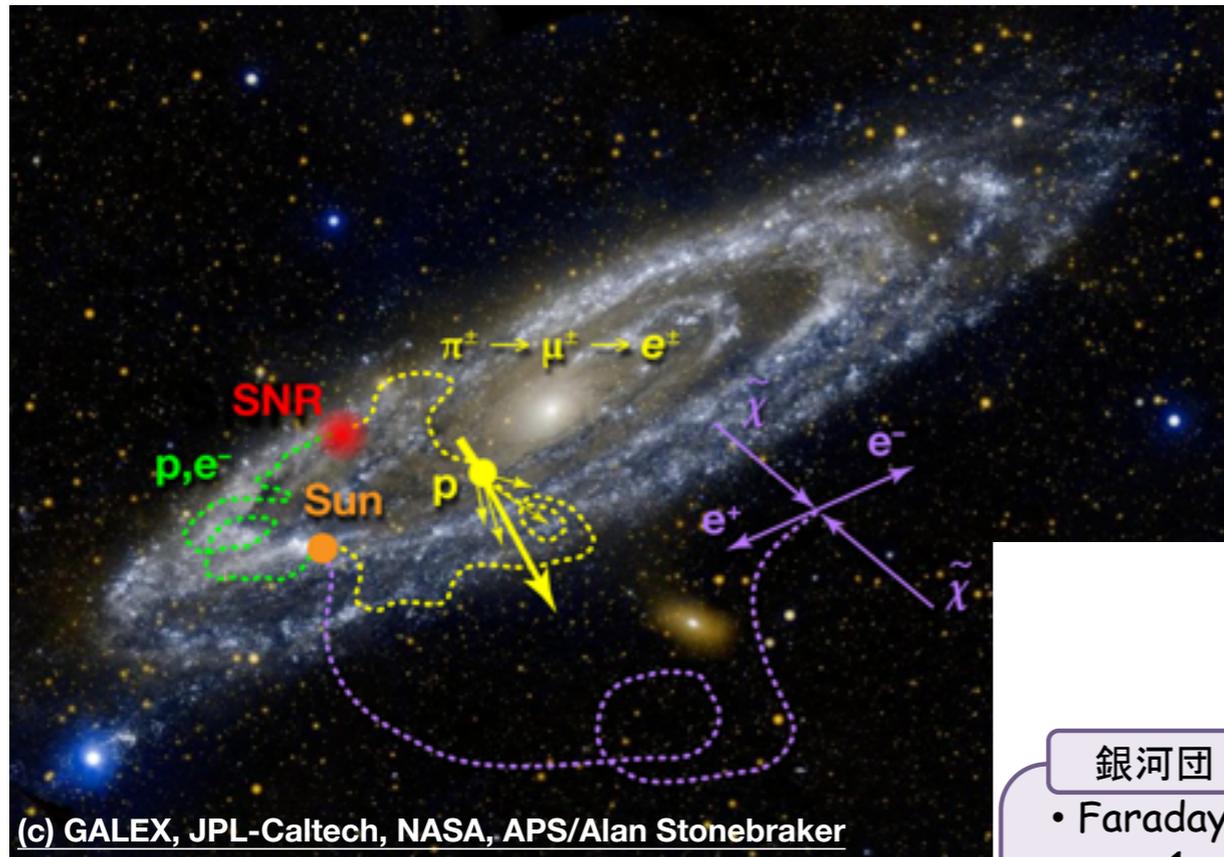
# Cosmic rays ~ origin ~



[Bhattacharjee & Sigl, Phys. Rep. 327 \(2000\) 109](#), Originally from S. Swordy

# Difficulty in Identifying Cosmic-ray Origin

## Charge and cosmic magnetic fields



### 平均磁場

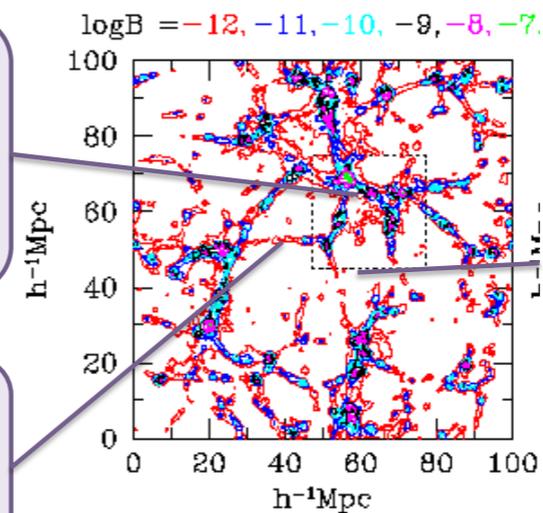
Faraday rotation :  $B\lambda^{1/2} < (1 \text{ nG})(1 \text{ Mpc})^{1/2}$   
 Kronberg (1994), Ryu et al. (1998), Blasi et al. (1999)

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- Faraday rotation :  $\sim 1 - 10 \mu\text{G}$
- Synchrotron :  $\sim 0.1 - 1 \mu\text{G}$

### フィラメント構造

No constraint  
 Simulations :  $\sim 10 \text{ nG}$   
 e.g., Ryu et al. (2008)



Das et al. (2008)

### void領域

- $\gamma$ -ray cascades :  $> 10^{-18} - 10^{-17} \text{ G}$   
 e.g., Dolag et al. (2011), Dermer et al. (2011), Takahashi et al. (2011)
- CMB / LSS :  $< 2.5 \text{ nG}$  for  $\lambda = 1 \text{ Mpc}$   
 Jedamzik et al. (2000), Yamazaki et al. (2010)

# *Highest Energy Cosmic Rays as a Good*

1. Deflection can be minimized.

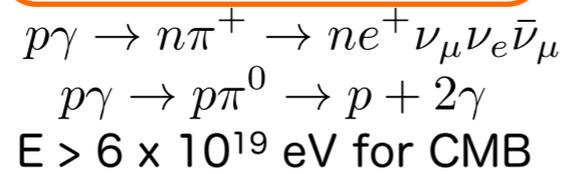
$$\theta(E, D) \simeq 2.5^\circ Z \left( \frac{E}{10^{20} \text{ eV}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{D}{100 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{B}{1 \text{ nG}} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{1 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2}$$

2. Greisen-Zatsepin-Kuz'min horizon

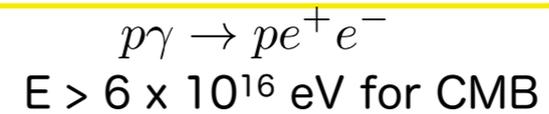
— low-background observations

# Propagation of UHECRs

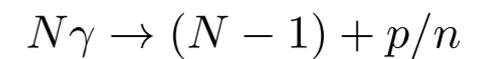
## Photopion production



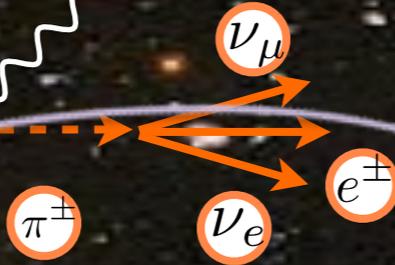
## Bethe-Heitler Pair Creation



## Photodisintegration



CMB / IRB



IGMF



CMB /

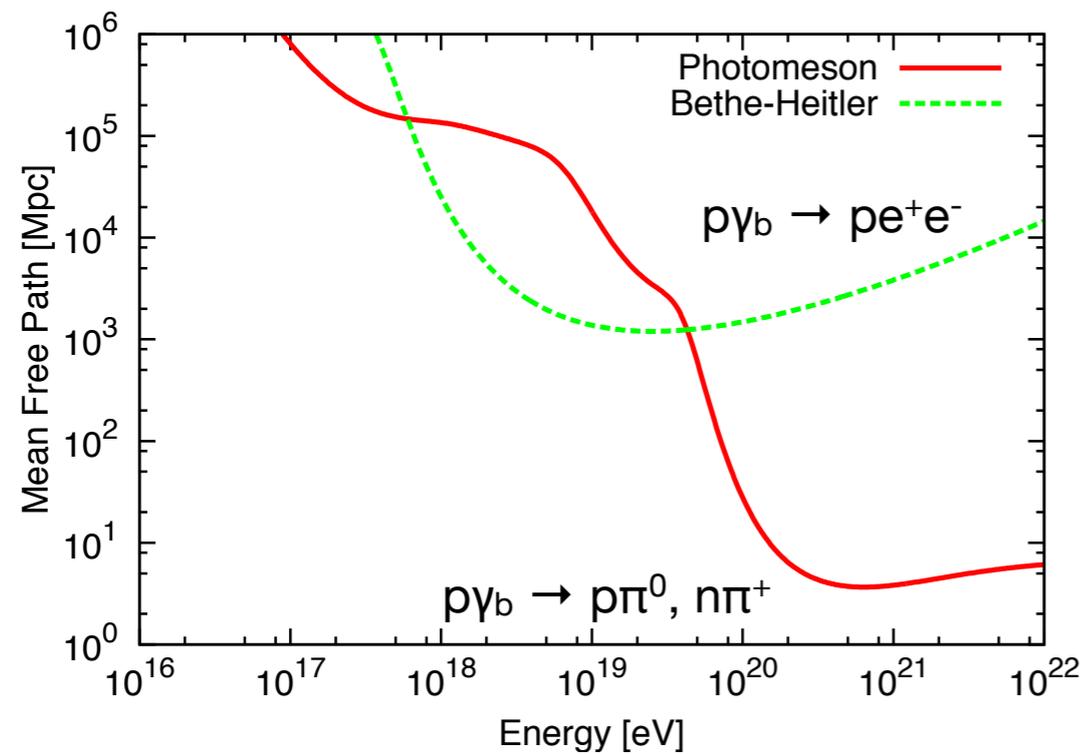
GMF



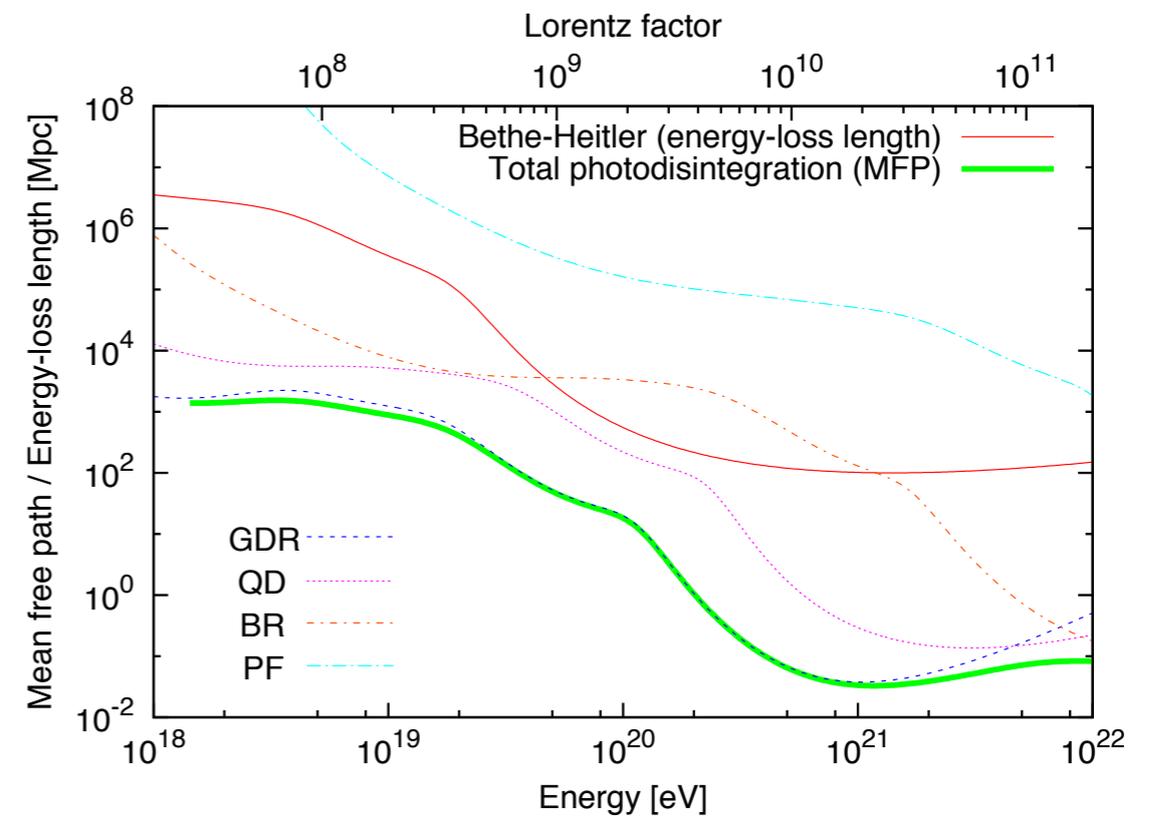
# Mean Free Path

Mean free path drastically decreases at the highest energies.

## Proton



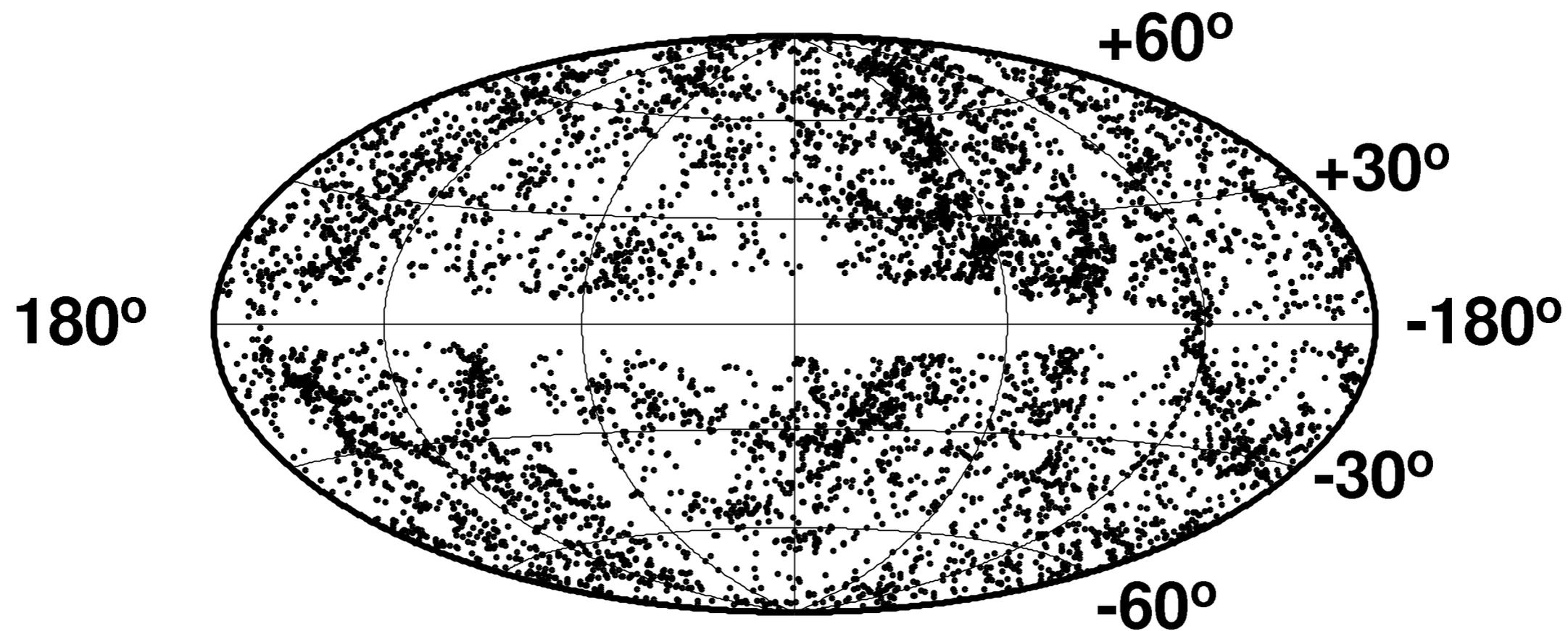
## Iron



[HT, Inoue, Yamamoto, Aph 35 \(2012\) 767](#)

# Galaxies in the Local Universe

$D < 100 \text{ Mpc}$



[Saunders et al., MNRAS 317 \(2000\) 55](#)

# UHECR Source Candidates



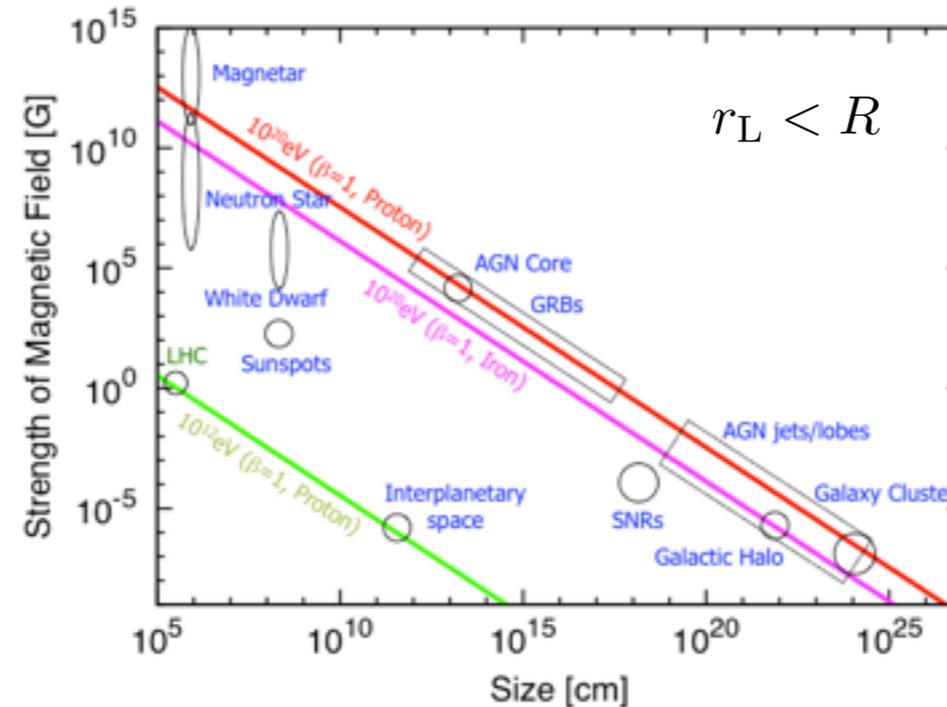
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## Hillas Criterion

Larmor radius < Source size



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[Wang et al., ApJ 677 \(2008\) 432](#)



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[Kang et al., ApJ 456 \(1996\) 422](#),  
[Inoue et al., astro-ph/0701167](#)

# *Why do we focus on the highest energies?*

- Small deflections in cosmic magnetic fields
- GZK limitation to source candidates in local Universe
- Few theoretical source candidates

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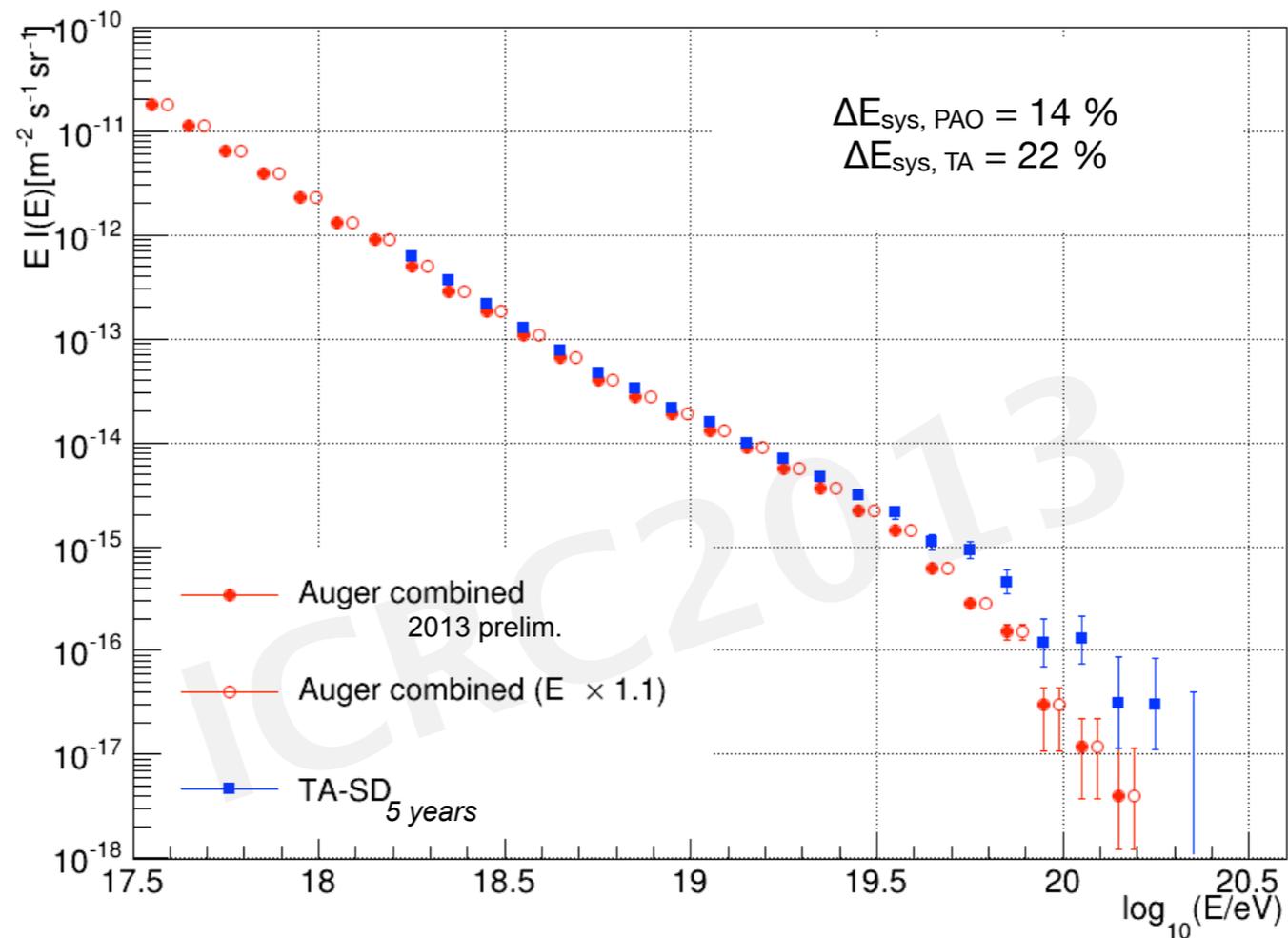
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# Energy Spectrum

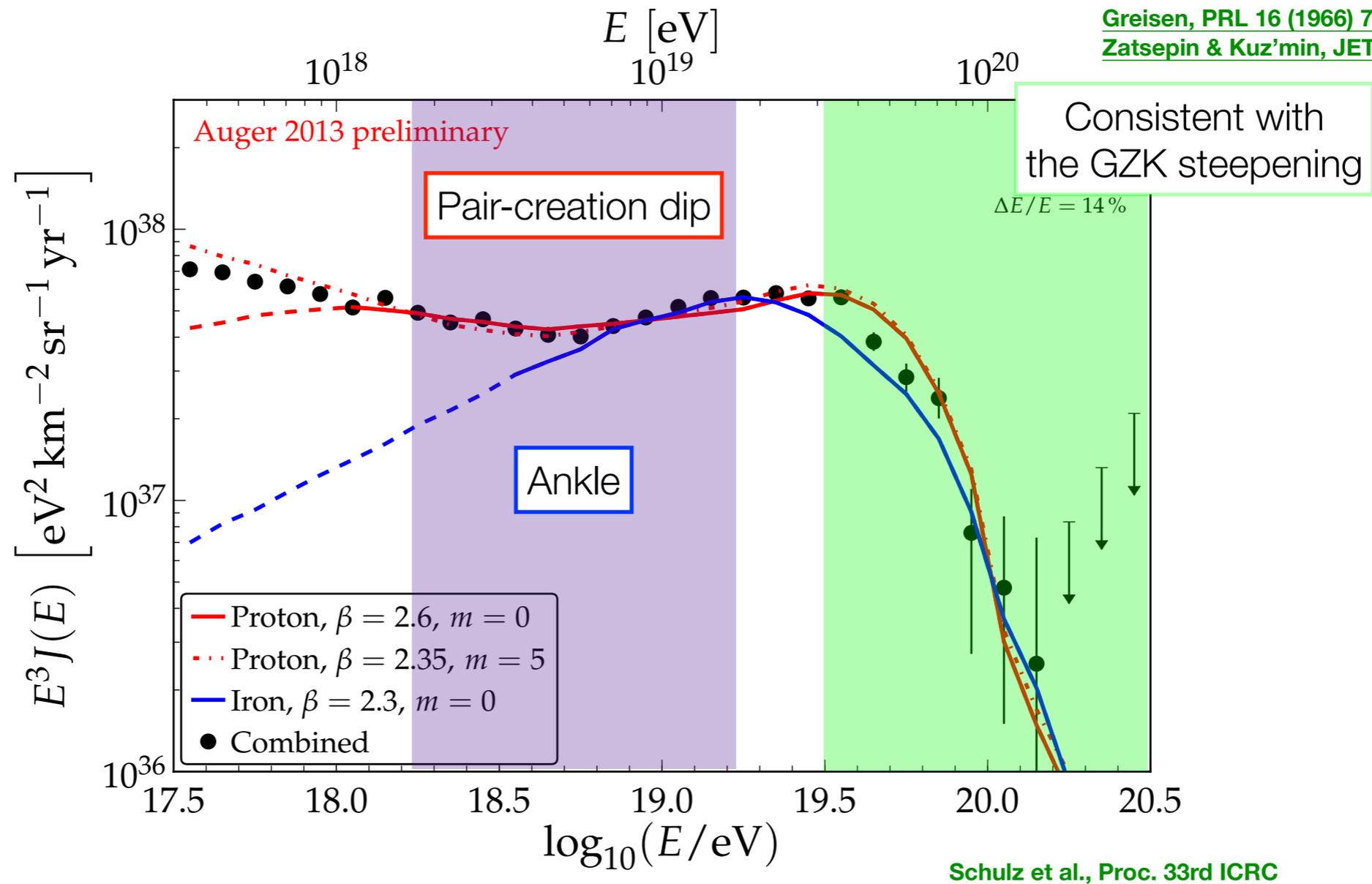
The spectra of Auger and Telescope Array are consistent within systematic errors.



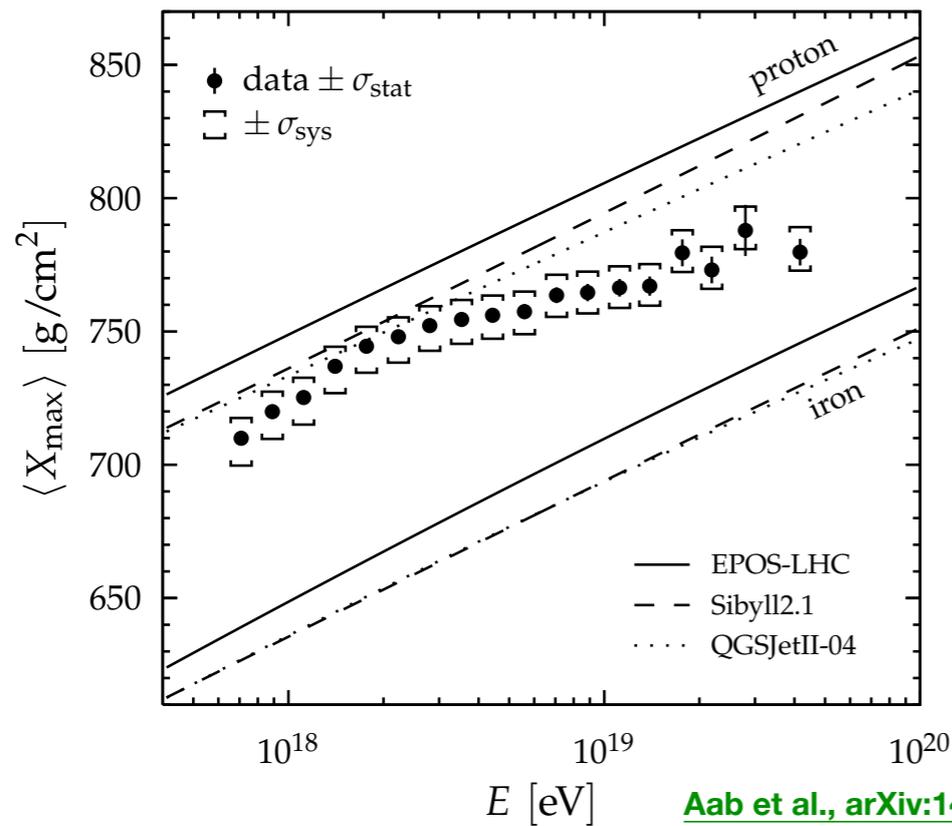
Tsunesada, Rapporteur talk, ICRC 2013

# Spectral Modeling

Two interpretations are possible.

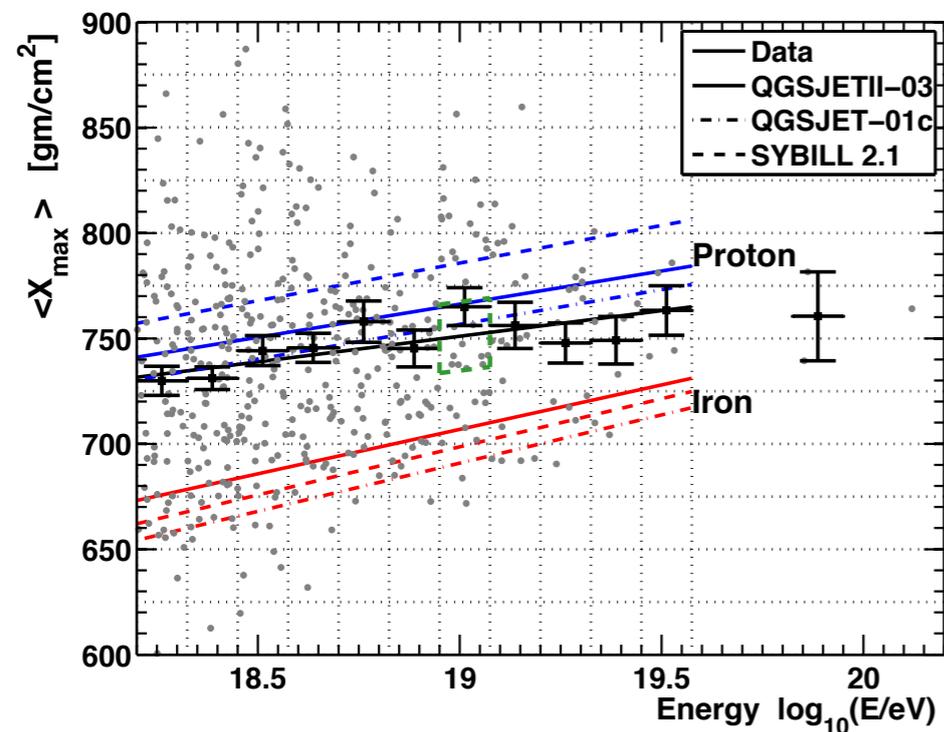


# Shower Maximum Measurements



## Auger

- Gradually changing to heavy nuclei

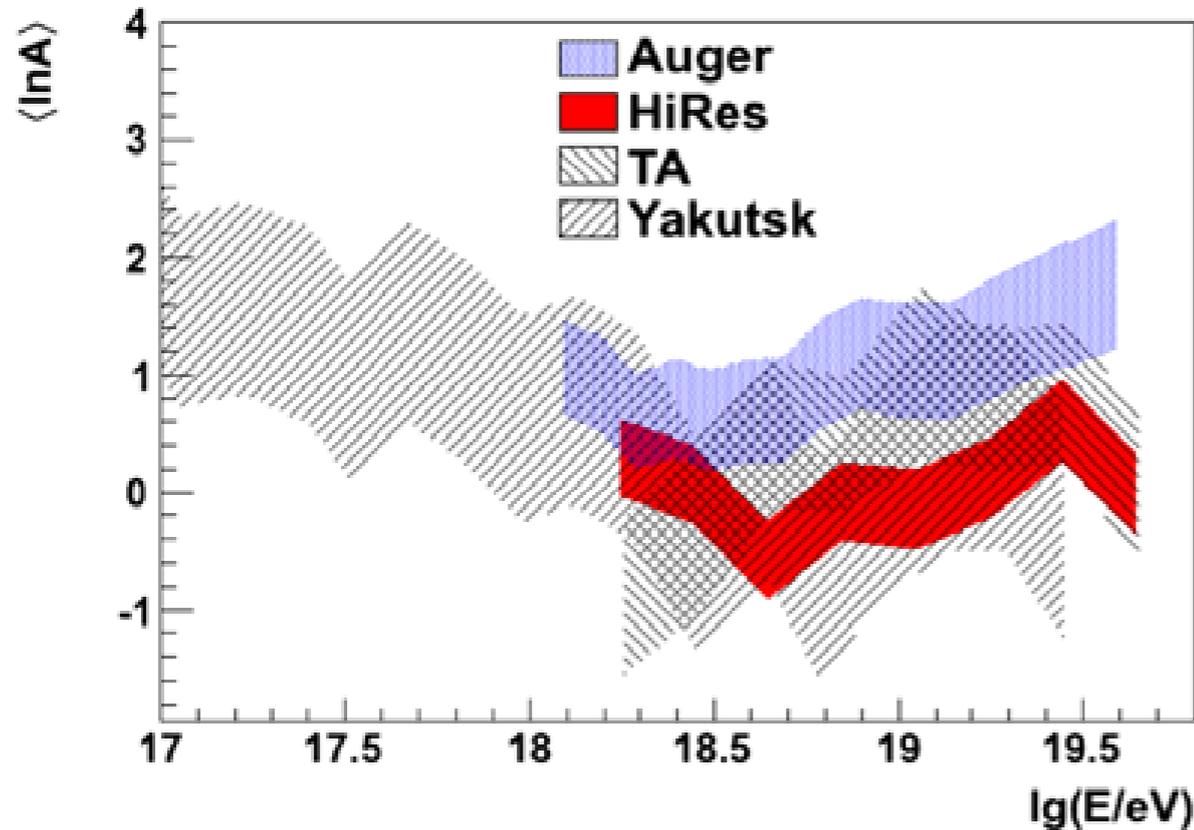


## TA

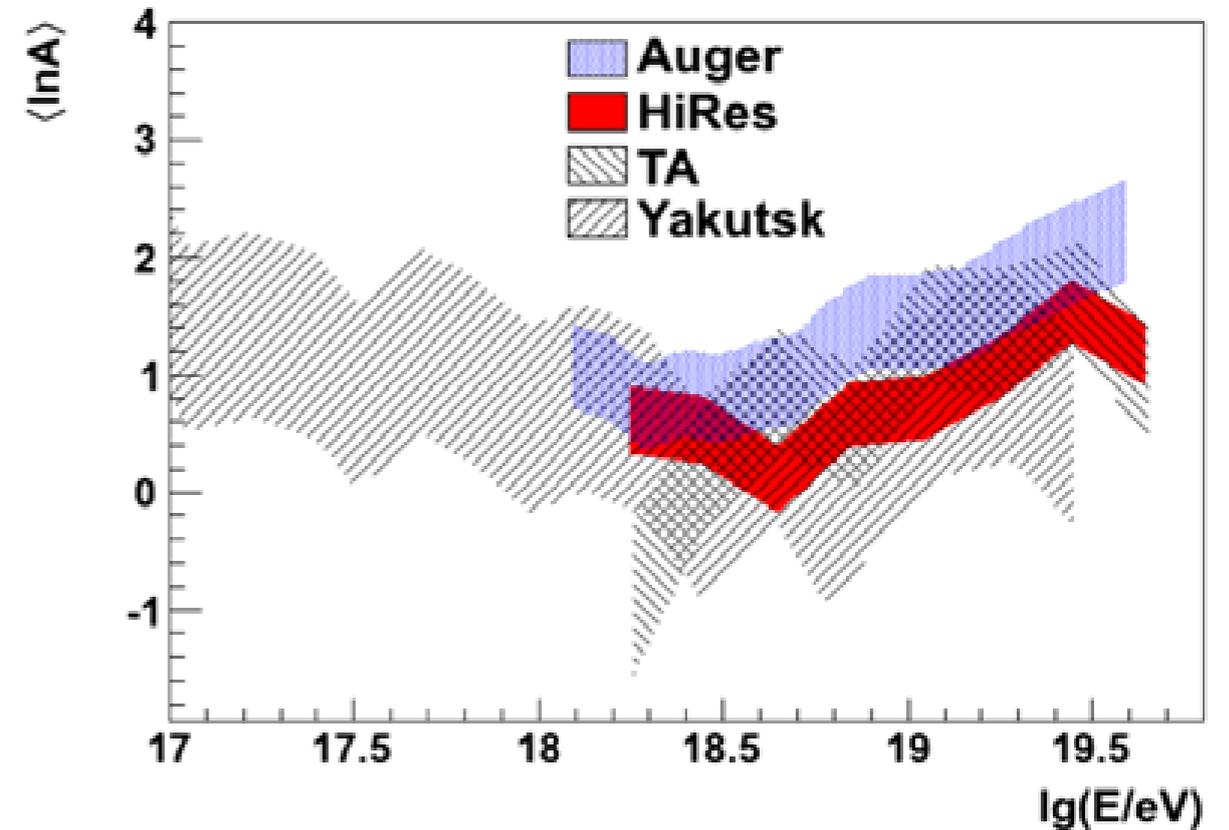
- Consistent with protons

# Comparison between Experiments

Auger and TA are compatible within systematic uncertainties.



(a) using QGSJet-II model.

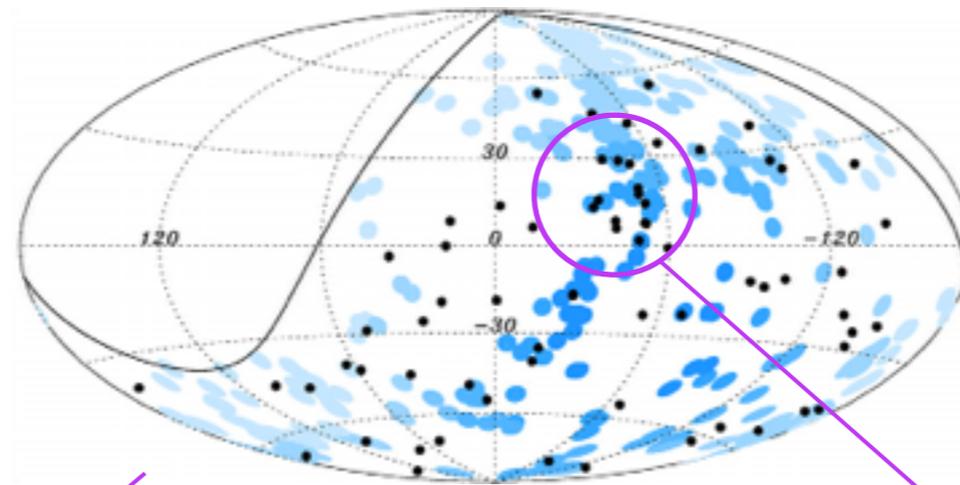


(b) using SIBYLL model.

[Barcikowski et al., EPJ Web of Conf. 53 \(2013\) 01006](#)

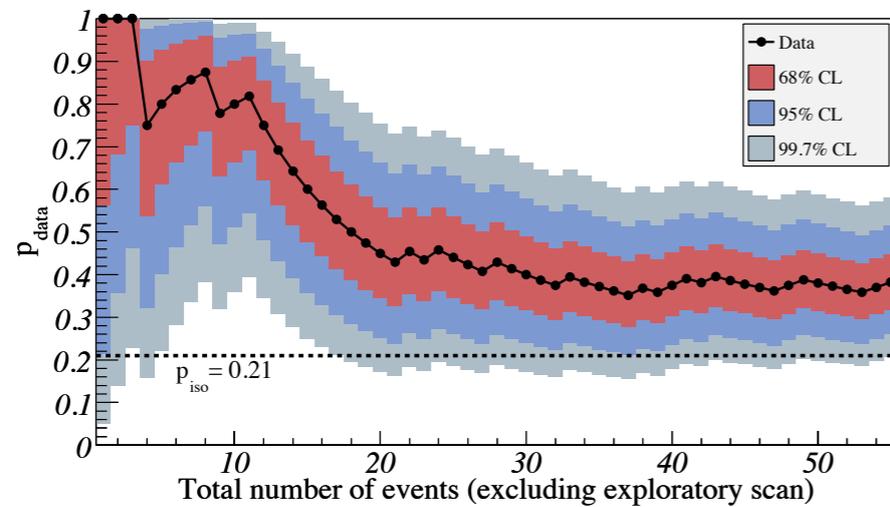
# Anisotropy Signals by Auger

$E > 5.5 \times 10^{19}$  eV  
69 events

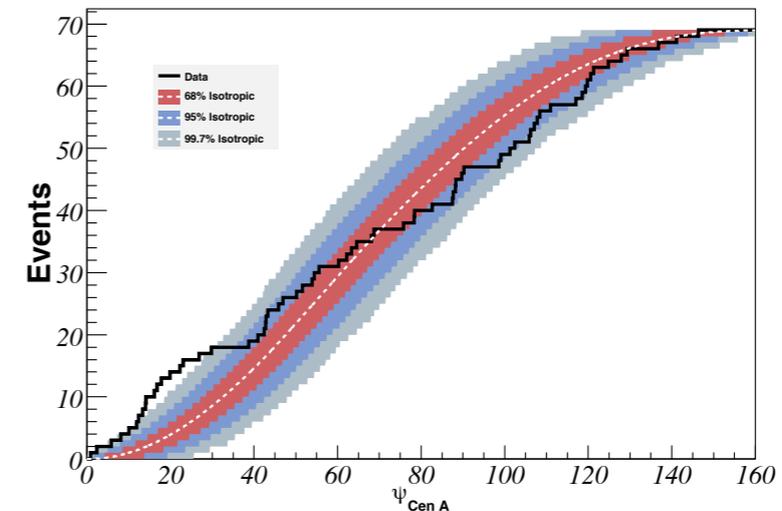


Abreu et al., *Aph* 34 (2010) 314

AGN correlation



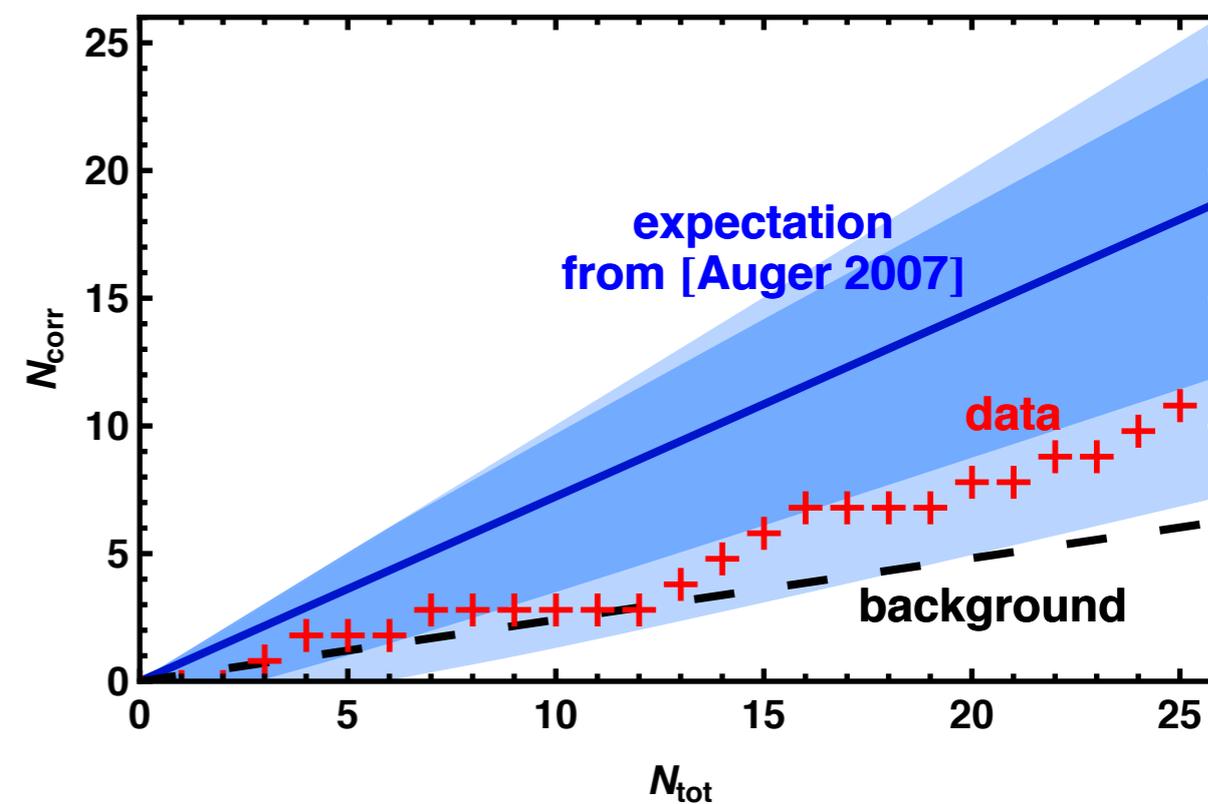
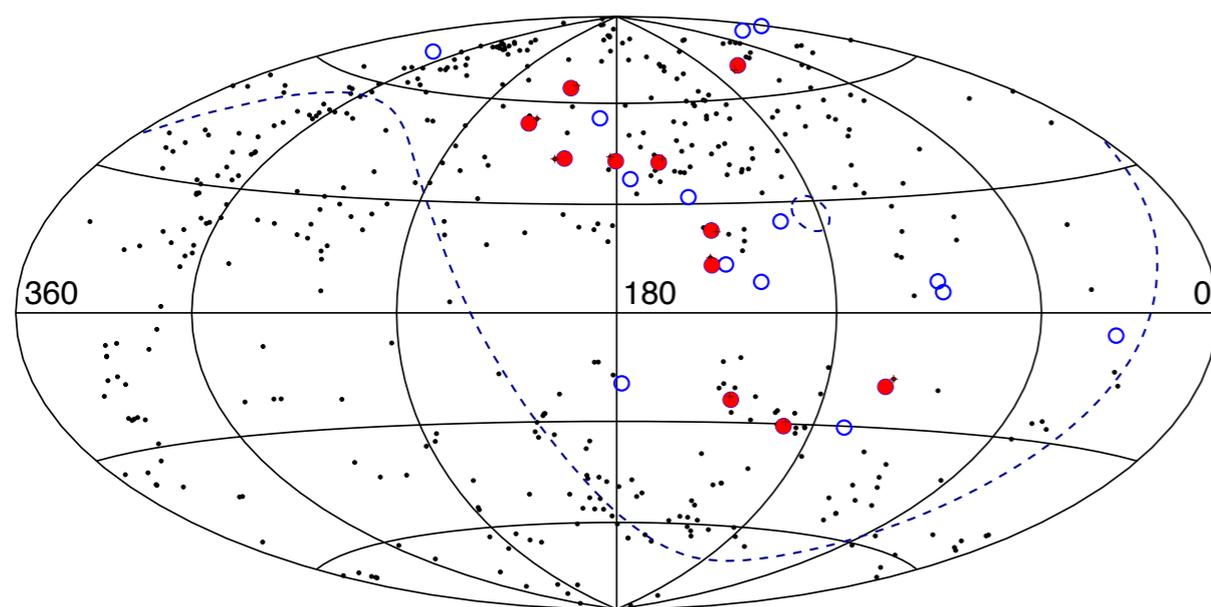
Cen A cluster



The anisotropy signals are marginal.

# Anisotropy Signals by TA

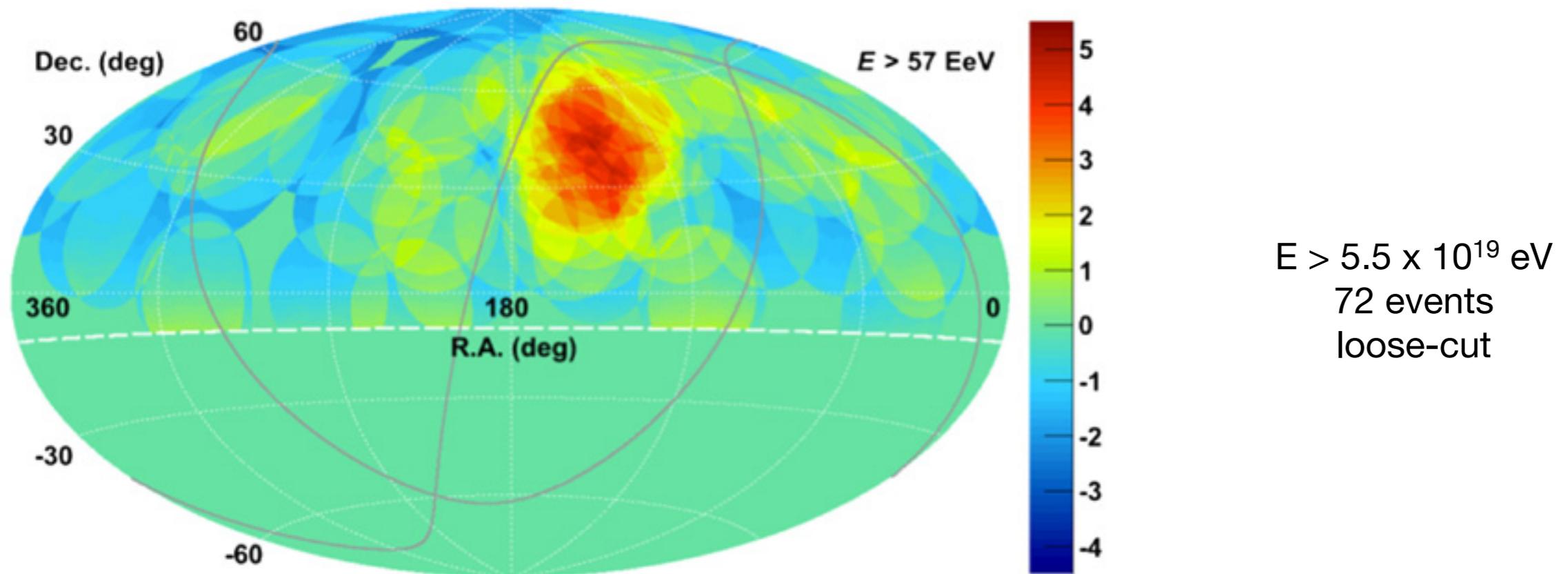
$E > 5.7 \times 10^{19}$  eV  
25 events



[Abu-Zayyad et al., ApJ 757 \(2012\) 26](#)

# Telescope Array Hot Spot

3.4  $\sigma$  excess using 20° circles

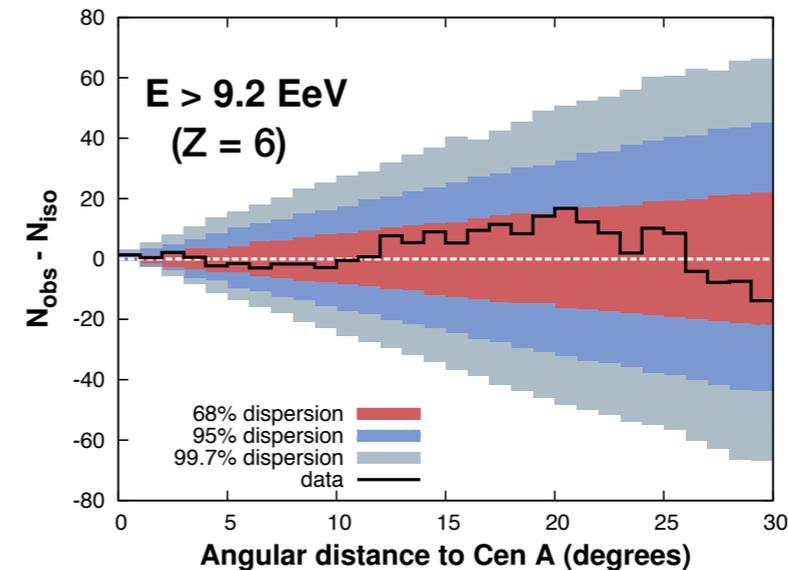
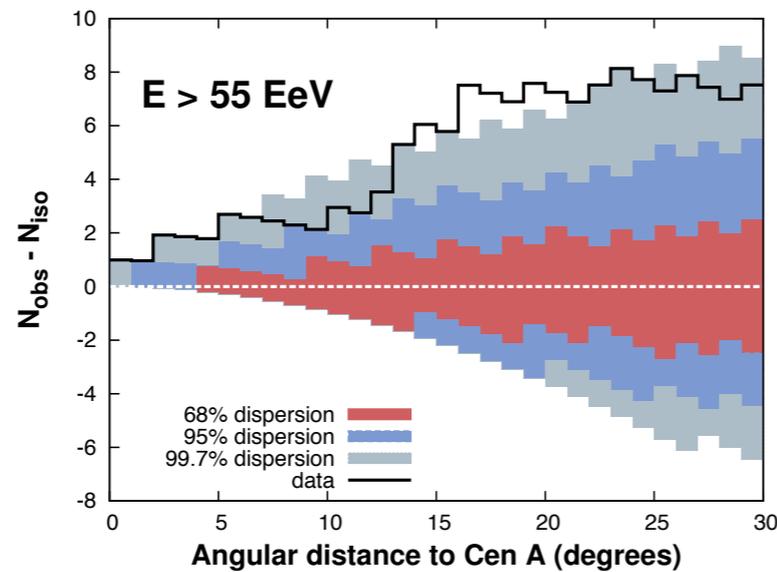


No clear source candidate in this direction

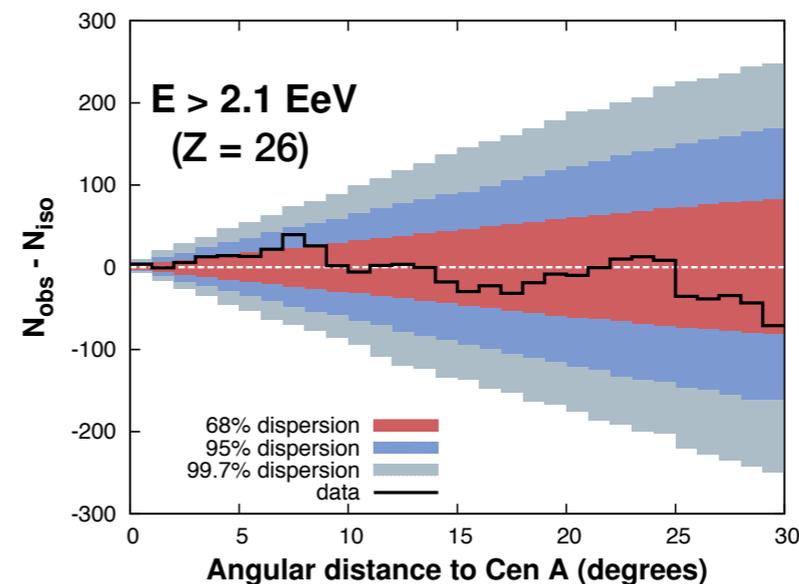
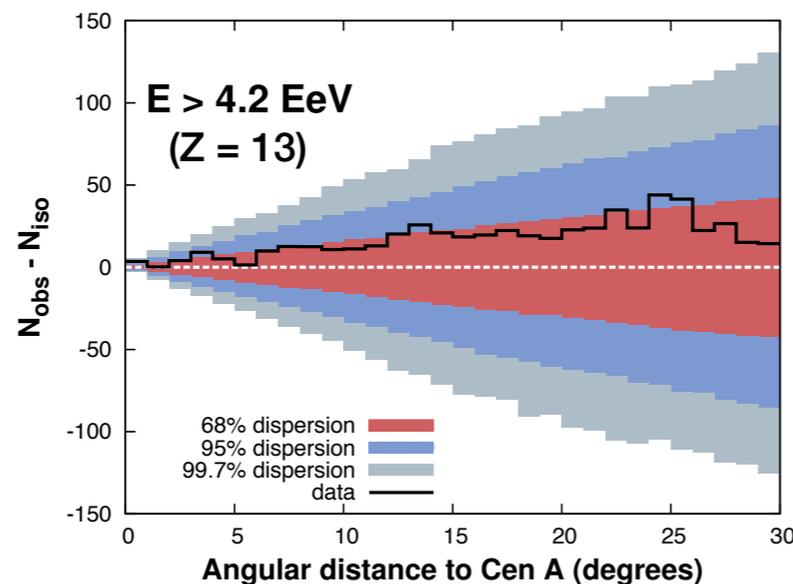
# Anisotropy versus Chemical Composition

Even stronger anisotropy by protons appears at  $> E / Z$ ,  
if anisotropy produced by nuclei with  $Z$  appears at  $> E$ .

[Lemoine & Waxman, JCAP 11 \(2009\) 009](#)



[Abreu et al., JCAP 06 \(2011\) 022](#)



# Possibilities

- Proton-dominated composition at the highest energies

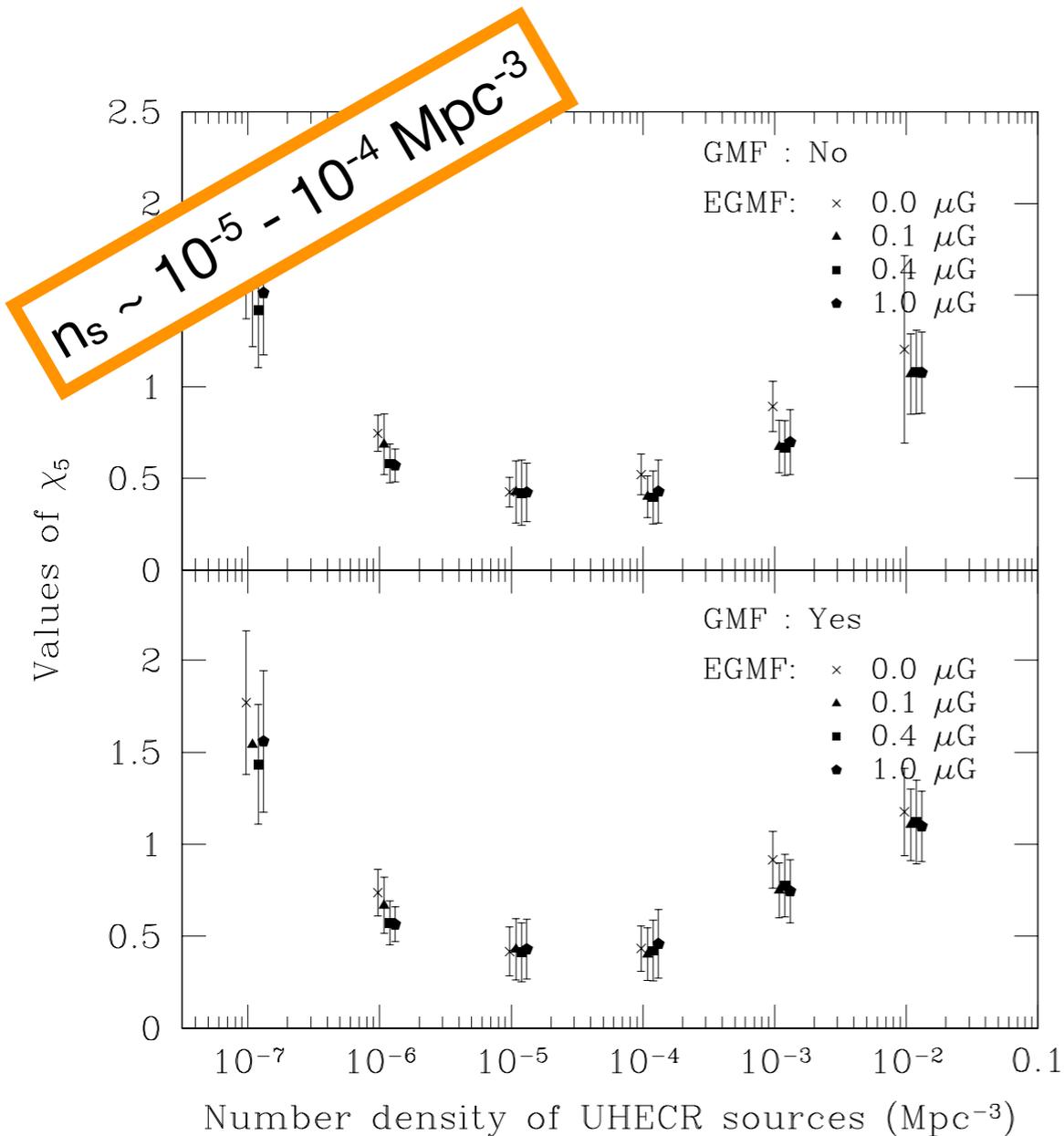
- Heavy-nucleus-dominated in a wide energy range

e.g., [Horiuchi et al., ApJ 753 \(2013\) 69 \(GRBs\)](#), [Fang et al., 03 \(2013\) 010 \(pulsars\)](#)

- The anisotropy is a statistical fluctuation.

# Source Number Density @ the Highest Energies

Strong candidates are ruled out as main contributors.



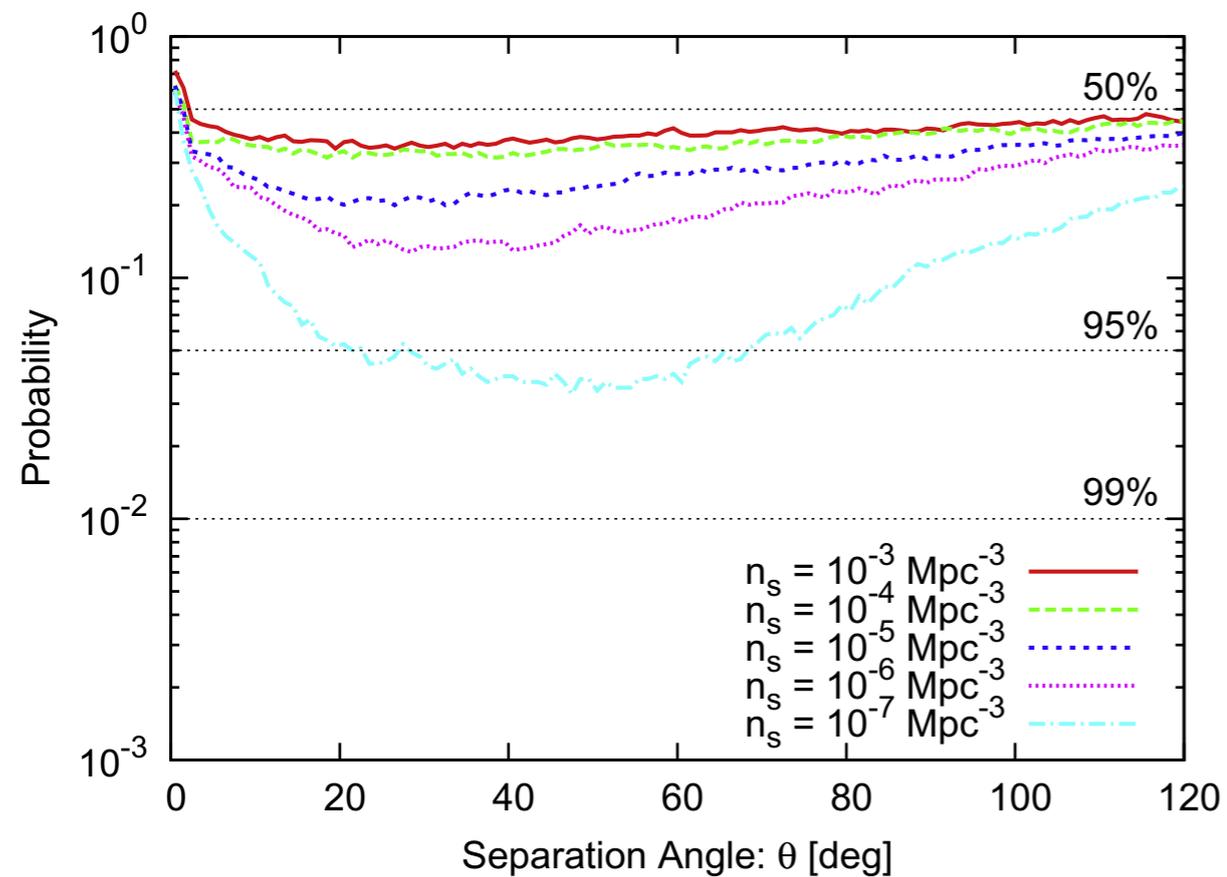
- Proton-dominated composition (weak deflection cases)
- Steady sources
- The first Auger public data set

Objects	$n_s$ [ $\text{Mpc}^{-3}$ ]
Bright galaxy	$1.3 \times 10^{-6}$
Seyfert galaxy	$1.25 \times 10^{-6}$
Dead Quasar	$5 \times 10^{-6}$
Fanaroff-Riley I	$8 \times 10^{-6}$
Bright quasar	$1.4 \times 10^{-5}$
Colliding galaxies	$7 \times 10^{-6}$
BL Lac objects	$3 \times 10^{-6}$
Fanaroff-Riley II	$3 \times 10^{-6}$

[HT & Sato, Aph 30 \(2009\) 306](#)

[See also Cuoco et al., ApJ 702 \(2009\) 825](#)

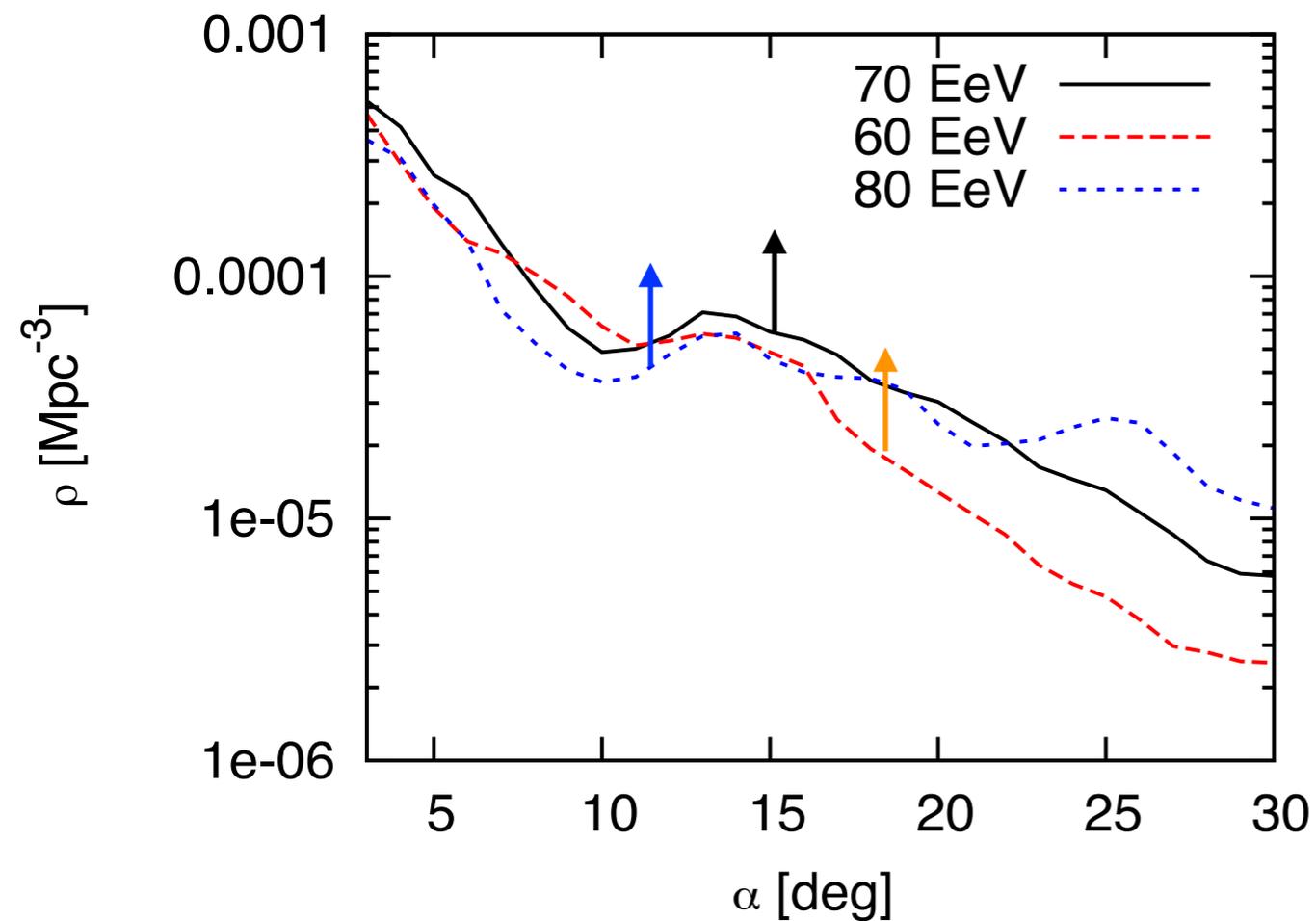
# Source Number Density



- Pure-iron case (maximal deflection case)
- Steady sources
- The second Auger public data set mocked

[HT, Inoue, Yamamoto, Aph 35 \(2012\) 767](#)

# Source Number Density



[The Pierre Auger Observatory, JCAP, 05 \(2013\) 009](#)

- Uniform source distribution
- $\Delta E$ ,  $\Delta\alpha$  fluctuations included
- Available as long as the deflection angle is smaller than  $\alpha$

# Luminosity Requirement

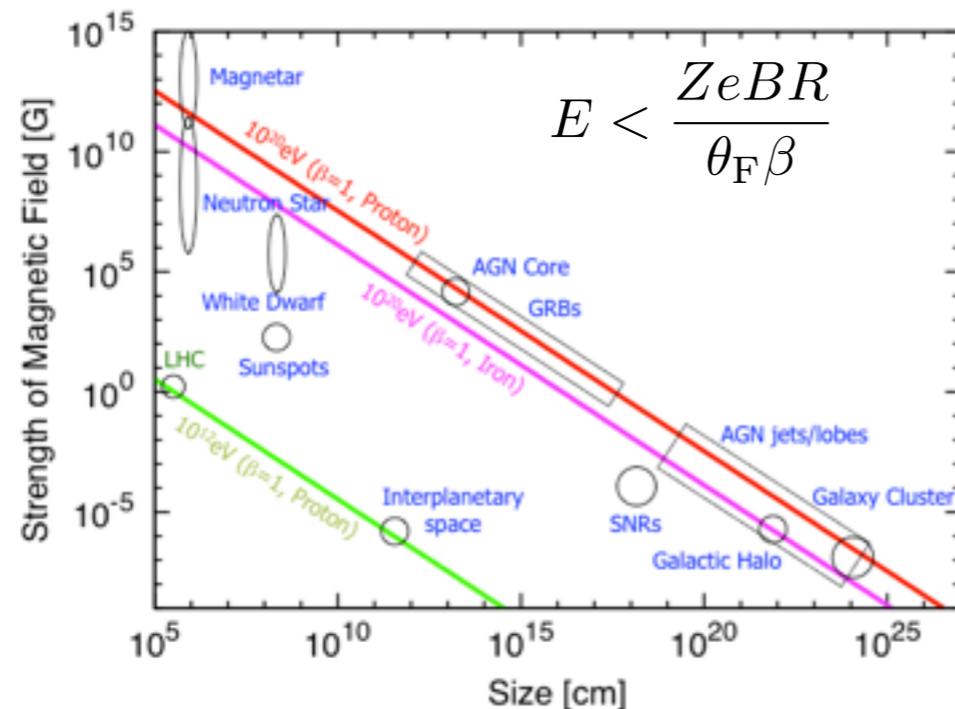
$$L_{\text{tot}} > 2 \times 10^{45} \frac{\theta_F^2 \beta^3 \Gamma^2}{Z^2} \left( \frac{E}{10^{20} \text{ eV}} \right)^2 \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

[Norman et al., ApJ 454 \(1995\) 60](#)

[Blandford, Physica Scripta, T85 \(2000\) 191](#)

[Waxman, Pramana 62 \(2004\) 483](#)

## Hillas Condition



## Magnetic Luminosity

$$u_B = \frac{L_B}{4\pi R^2 \Gamma^2 \beta c}$$

**Steady objects with  $L_{\text{bol}} > 10^{45}$  erg are rare within the GZK radius, namely  $\ll 10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$ .**

[e.g., Zaw et al., ApJ 696 \(2009\) 1218](#)

# UHECR Source Candidates



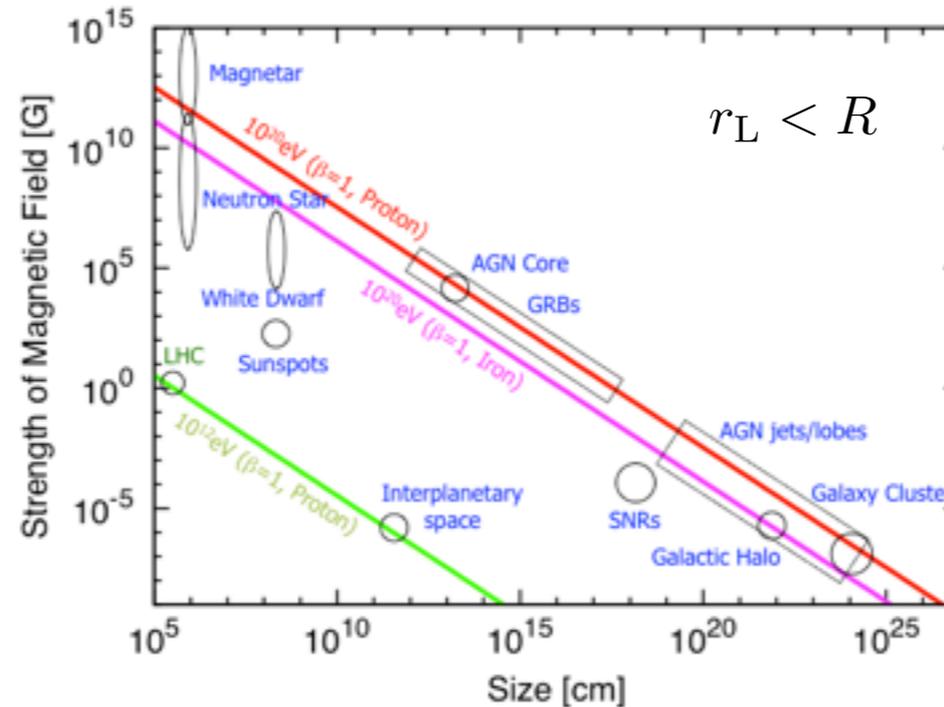
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[Inoue et al., astro-ph/0701167](#)

# Summary on Current Status

## Spectrum

GZK steepening + dip/ankle are established.

## Composition

	<b>Anisotropy</b>	<b>Interaction model</b>
<b>Composition at the highest E</b>	Proton-dominated	Heavy nuclei
<b>Anisotropy</b>	Protons	Statistical error
<b>Galactic-to-Xgal transition</b>	Proton-dip (p-) ankle transition	Ankle transition
<b>etc.</b>	Interaction models may be modified.	

※ Compromised scenario: heavy in a wide range + very weak magnetic fields

# Summary on Current Status

## Source properties

- Steady sources
  - proton-dominated  $>\sim 10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$
  - heavy-nucleus-dominated  $>\sim 10^{-6} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$
- If proton-dominated composition,
  - the luminosity requirement  $\rightarrow$  transient for jet-sources
  - Strong evolution is ruled out by neutrinos.

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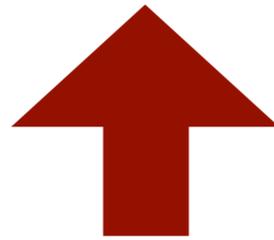
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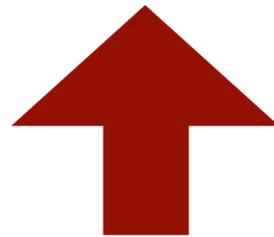
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# *What is the Next Step?*

How / why are particles accelerated up to such extreme high energies?



Where are particles accelerated up to such extreme high energies?



What is the nature of UHECR sources?

to establish strategies to unveil the sources

# Source Classification

Proton / Steady

Proton / Transient

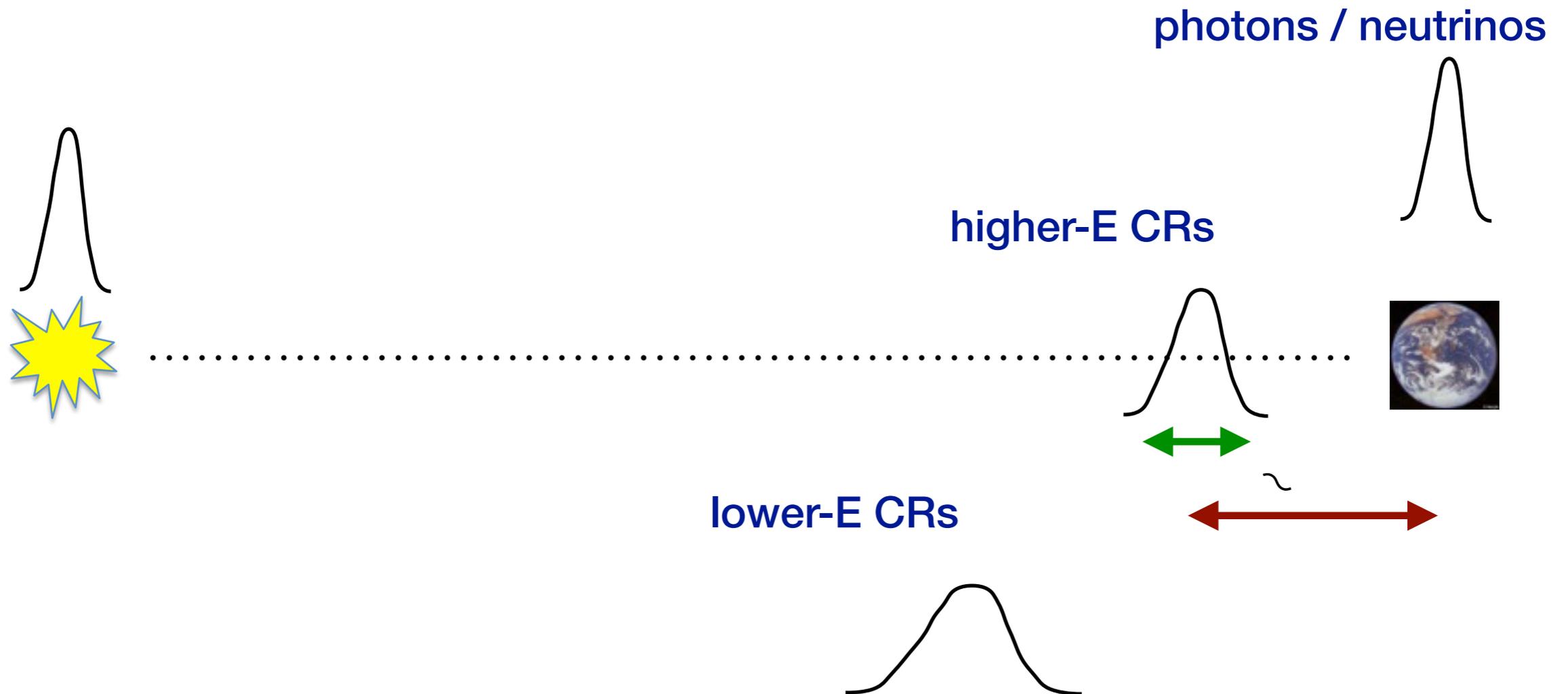
Heavy / Steady

Heavy / Transient

# Transient Sources

## Time-delay and time-profile dispersion

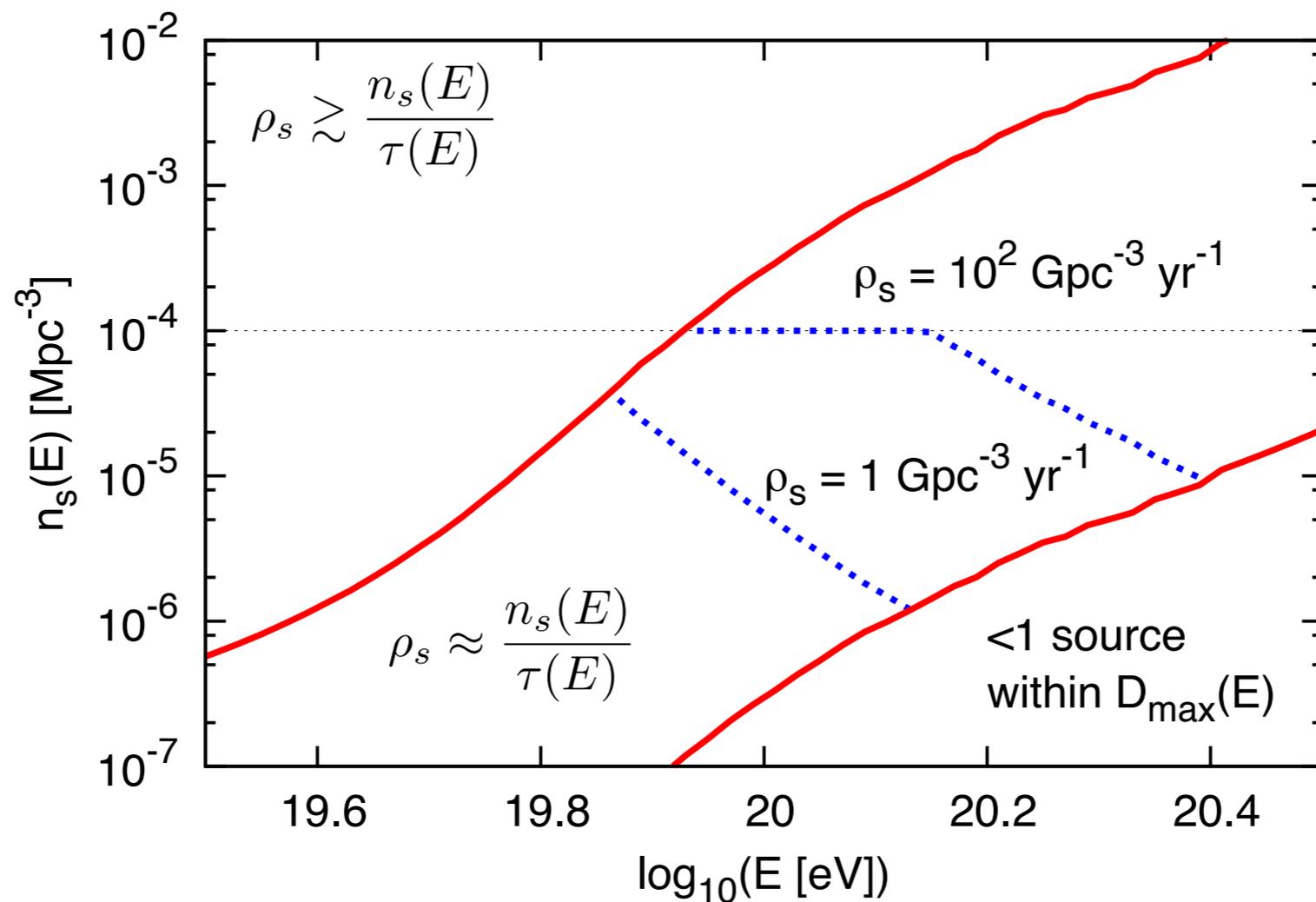
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**More sources are observed at lower energy than at higher energy.**

# Evidence for Transient Sources

## Strong energy dependence of apparent source number density



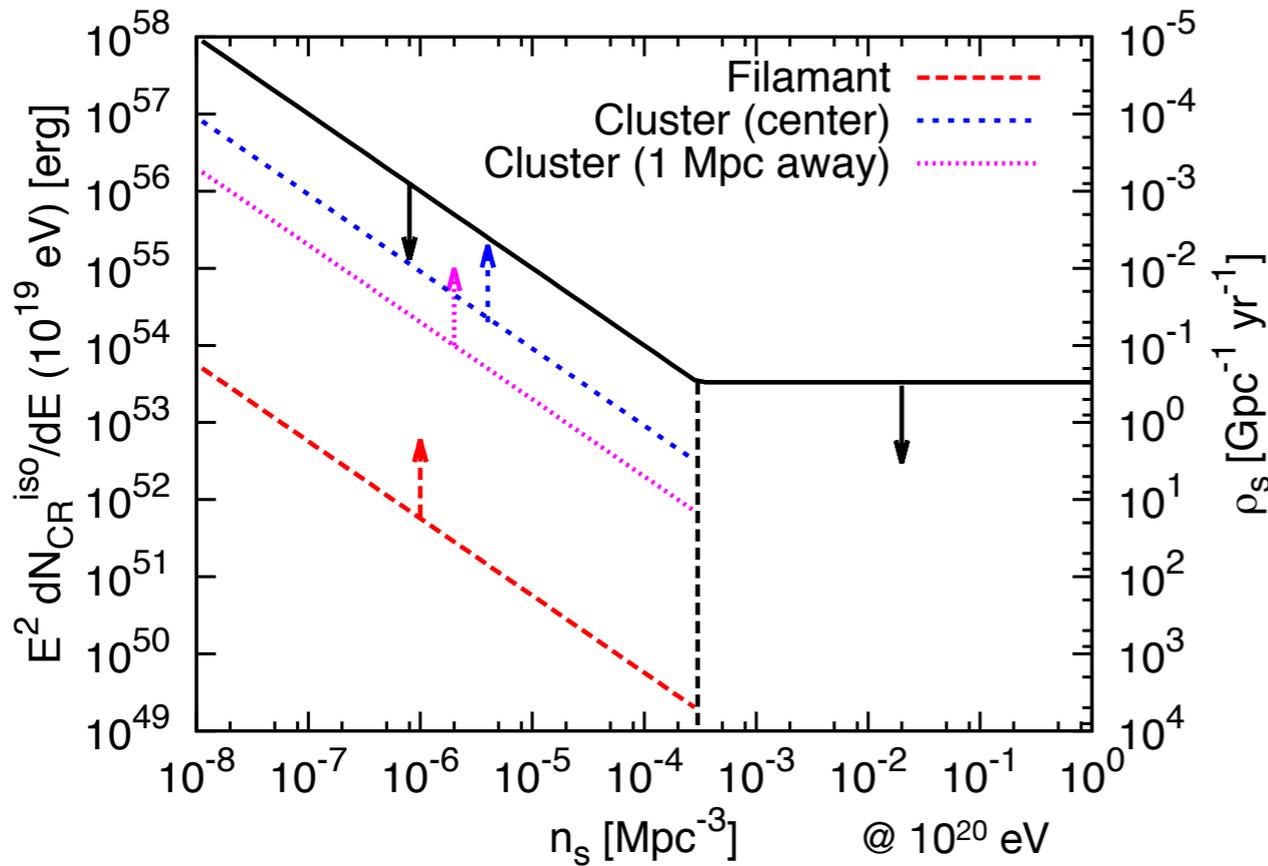
[HT & Murase, ApJ 748 \(2012\) 9](#)

# Constraints on $\rho_s$ and Energy Budget

$$\rho_s \approx \frac{n_s(E)}{\tau(E)}$$



$$\frac{n_s(E)}{\tau_{\max}(E)} \lesssim \rho_s \lesssim \frac{n_s(E)}{\tau_{\min}(E)}$$



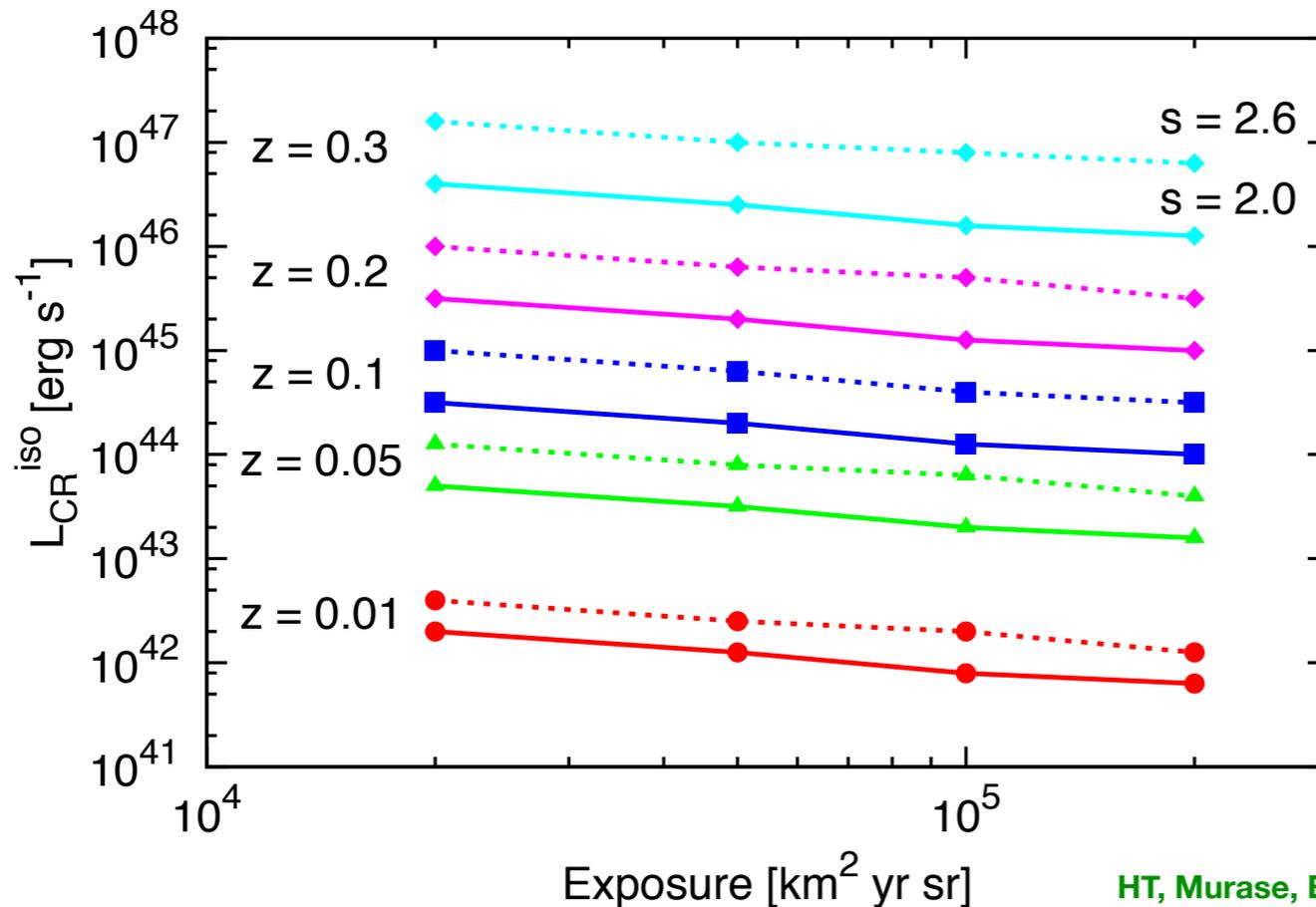
- $\tau_{\min}$  : GMF, EGMF surrounding sources
- $\tau_{\max}$  : GMF, EGMF surrounding sources, IGMF

Source	Typical Rate $\rho_0$ ( $\text{Gpc}^{-3} \text{yr}^{-1}$ )
HL GRB	$\sim 0.1$
LL GRB	$\sim 400$
Hypernovae	$\sim 2000$
Magnetar	$\sim 12000$
Giant Magnetar Flare	$\sim 10000$
Giant AGN Flare	$\sim 1000$
SNe Ibc	$\sim 20000$
Core Collapse SNe	120000

HT & Murase, ApJ 748 (2012) 9

# Evidence for Transient Sources?

The lower energy ( $\sim 10^{19}$  eV) anisotropy indicates transient sources.



HT, Murase, Beacom, Dermer, to be submitted.

Lower energy ( $\sim 10^{19}$  eV)

$$n_s > 3 \times 10^{-3} \left( \frac{L_{\text{CR}}^{\text{ul},19}(z=0.01)}{10^{41} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{-3} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$$

Higher energy ( $\sim 6 \times 10^{19}$  eV)

$$n_s \sim 10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$$

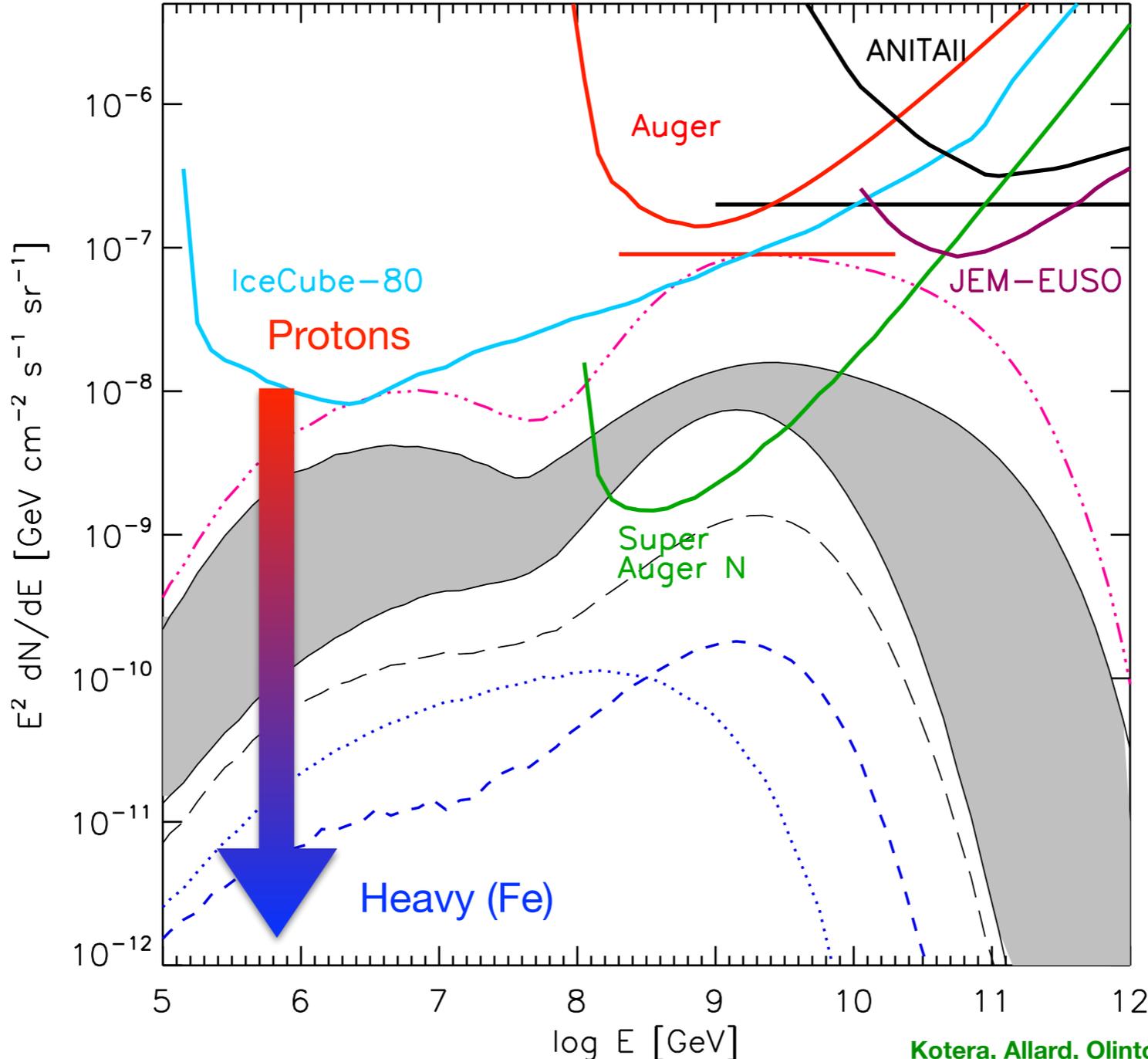
$$\frac{n_s(E_l)}{n_s(E_h)} \sim \frac{t_d(E_l)}{t_d(E_h)} \sim \left( \frac{E_l}{E_h} \right)^{-2} \sim 40$$

See also HT & Sato (2009)

# *What Can We Do for Composition?*

- $\sqrt{s_{pp}} = 433 \text{ TeV}$  collider required
- Anisotropy measurements
- Cosmogenic neutrinos

# Cosmogenic Neutrinos ~ Composition ~

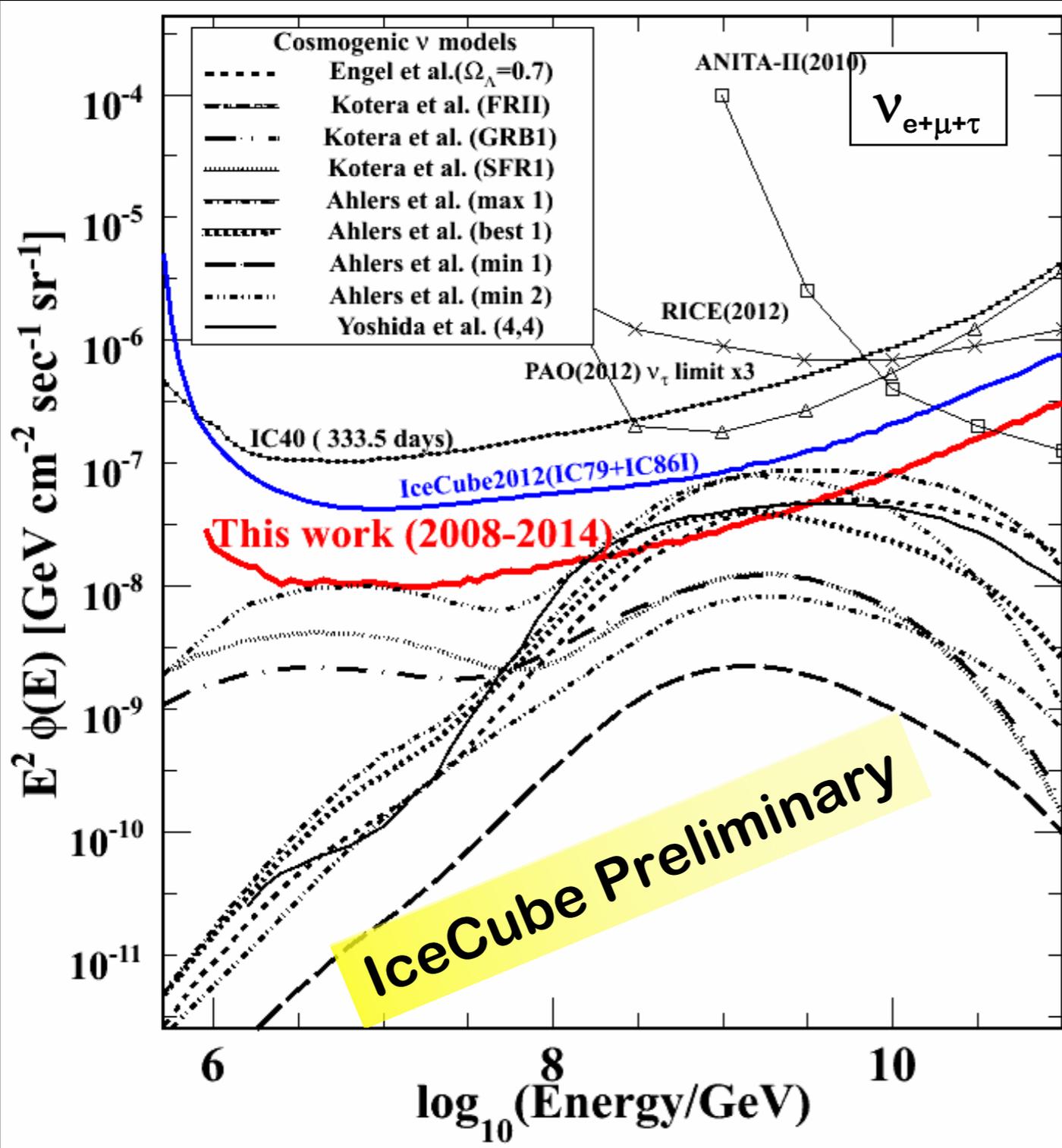


Kotera, Allard, Olinto, JCAP 10 (2010) 013



# UHE (PeV-EeV)

IceCube 6 years data (2008-2014) all combined



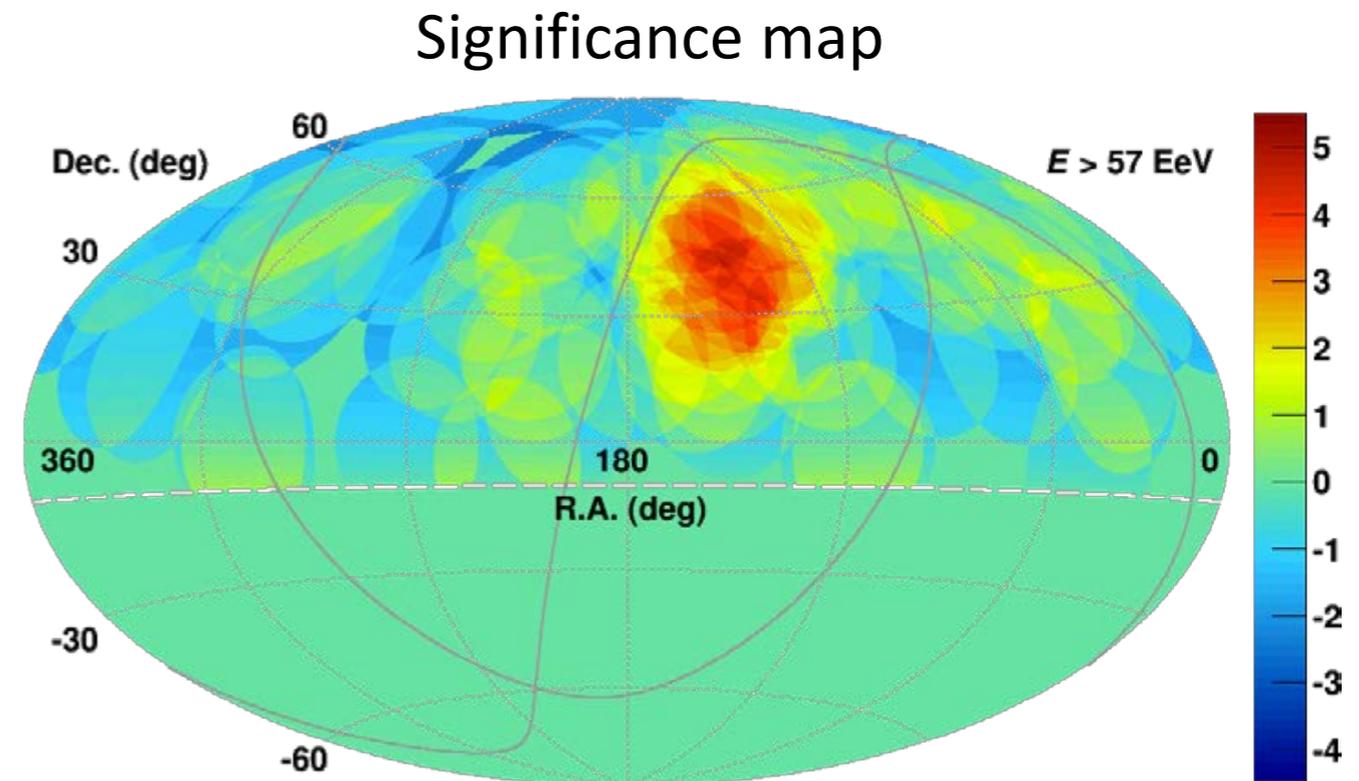
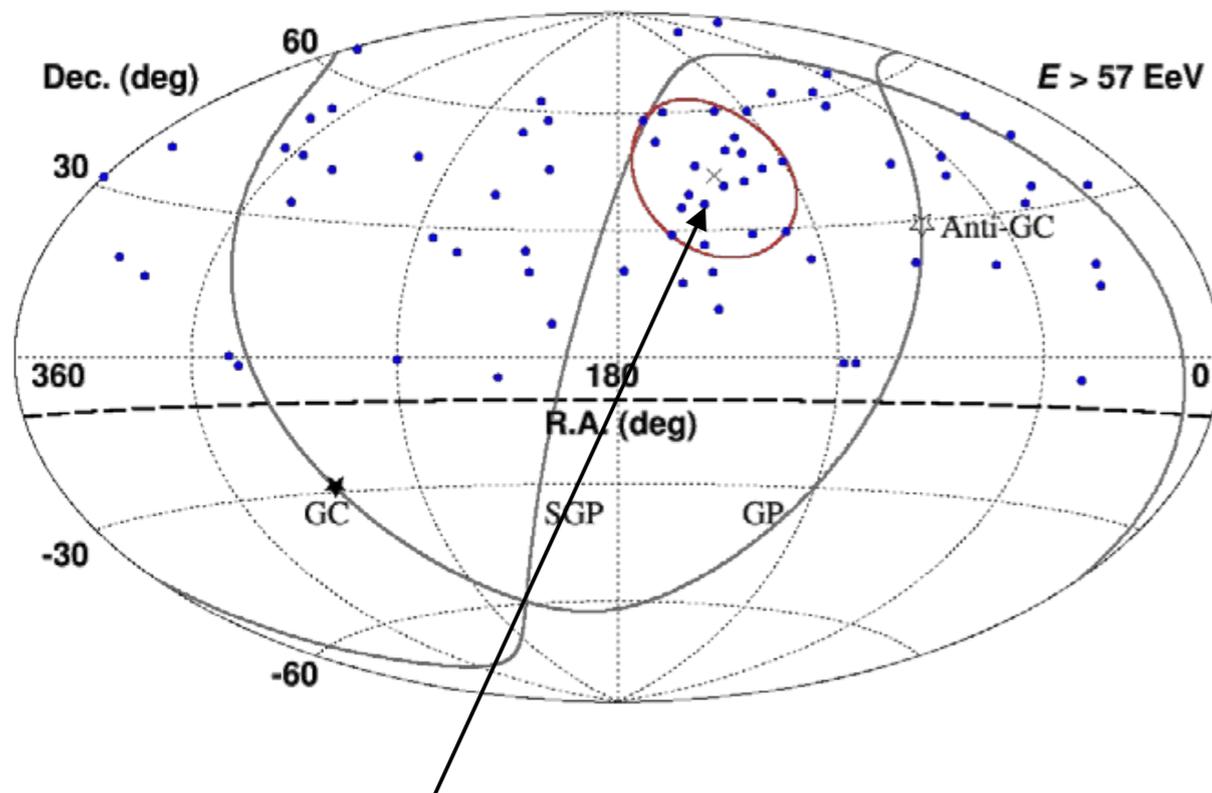
Model	Event Rate [/(2008-20014)]
Yoshida (FR-II compat.)	6.5
Ahlers (Best fit to HiRes)	5.0
Ahlers (Minimum)	1.1
Kotera (GRB)	3.9
Kotera (STF)	2.9



# Hotspot

## 最高エネルギー宇宙線の異方性

データを20度の半径の円でoversampling



- 最大のsignificance

- 方向: R.A. = 146.7°, Dec. = 43.2°
- 観測数: 19 (19/72=26%)
- 等方的分布の期待値: 4.5 (4.5/72=6%)
- Li-Ma significance: 5.1σ

- 等方的な分布の場合に5.1σ以上の有意度を得る偶然の確率:  $3.7 \times 10^{-4}$  (3.4σ)

- MC: 15, 20, 25, 30, 35度の半径の円

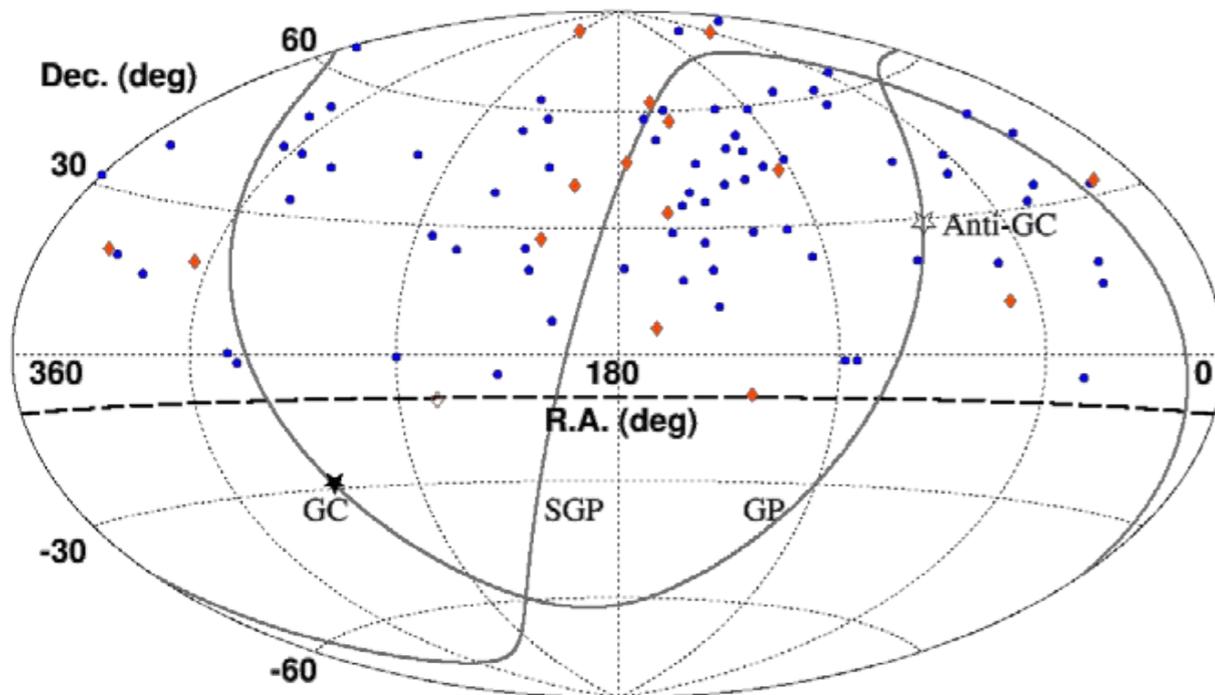
ApJ 790, L21 (2014)



# Hotspot +1年間

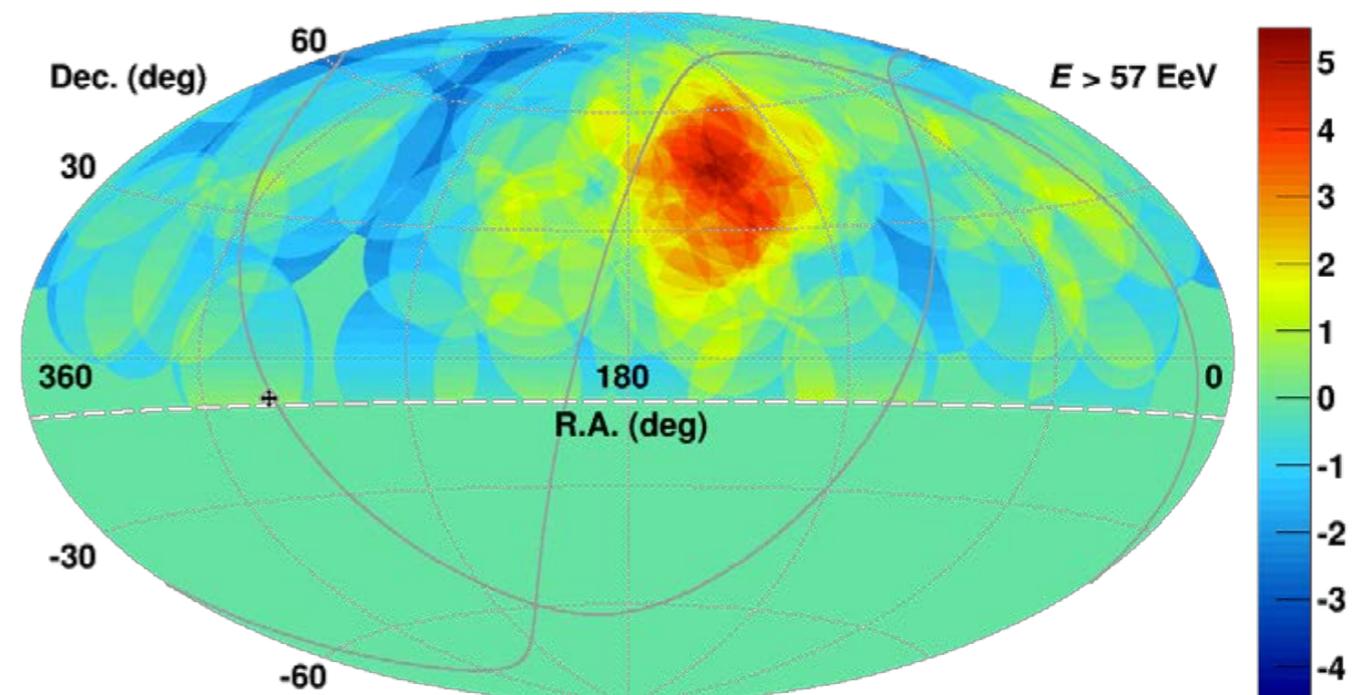
- 2008年5月—2014年5月 (6年間)

到来方向分布



青: 5年間のデータ  
赤: 最近の1年間のデータ

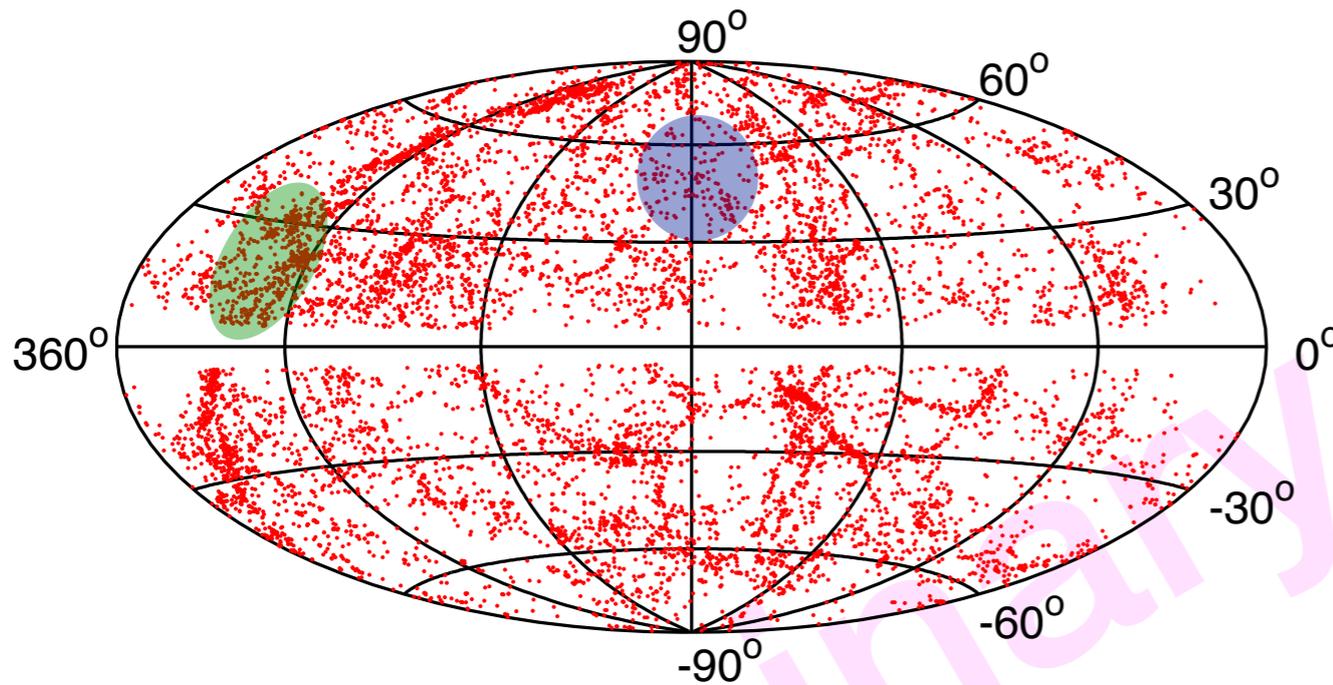
Significance map



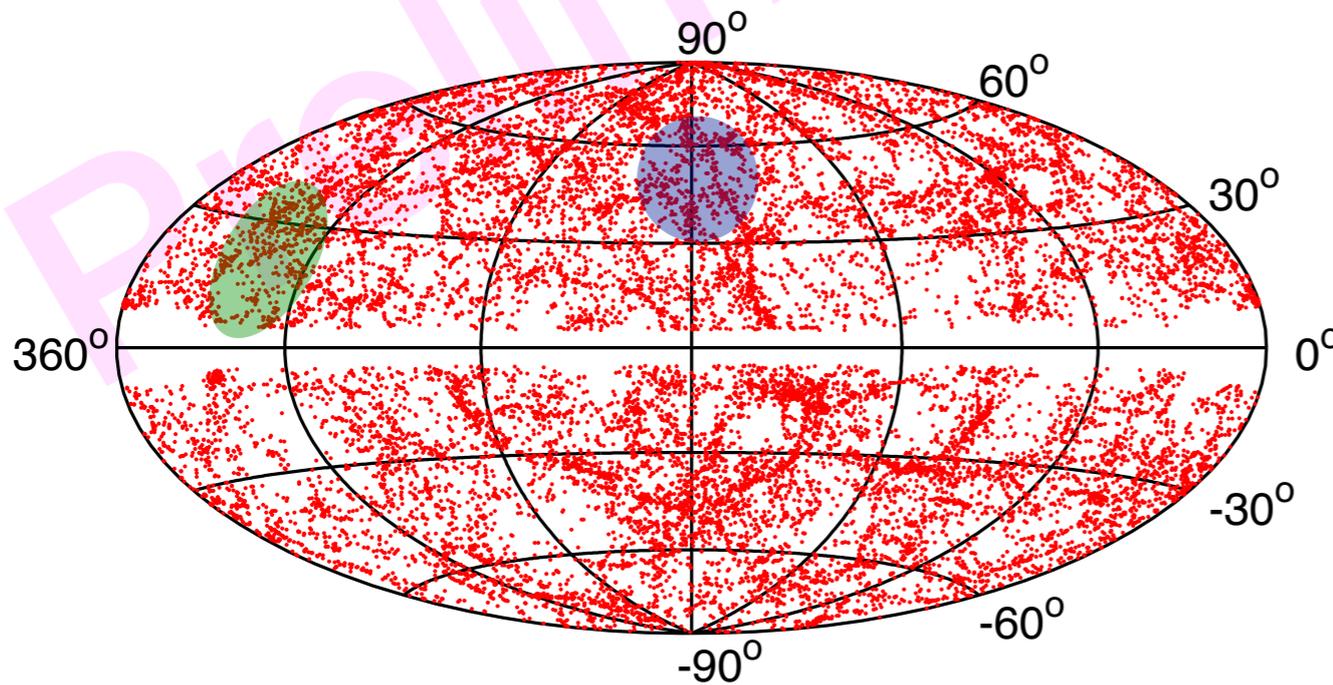
- $E > 5.7 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}$ : 72事象  $\rightarrow$  87事象 (+15) 5年      +1年  
(19/72~26%, 4/15~26%)
- Hotspot内: 19事象  $\rightarrow$  23事象 (+4)
- 最大のLi-Ma significance:  $5.1\sigma \rightarrow 5.5\sigma \implies$  偶然の確率 =  $3.4\sigma \rightarrow 4.0\sigma$

# Comparison with Galaxy Distribution

$0 < z < 0.018$



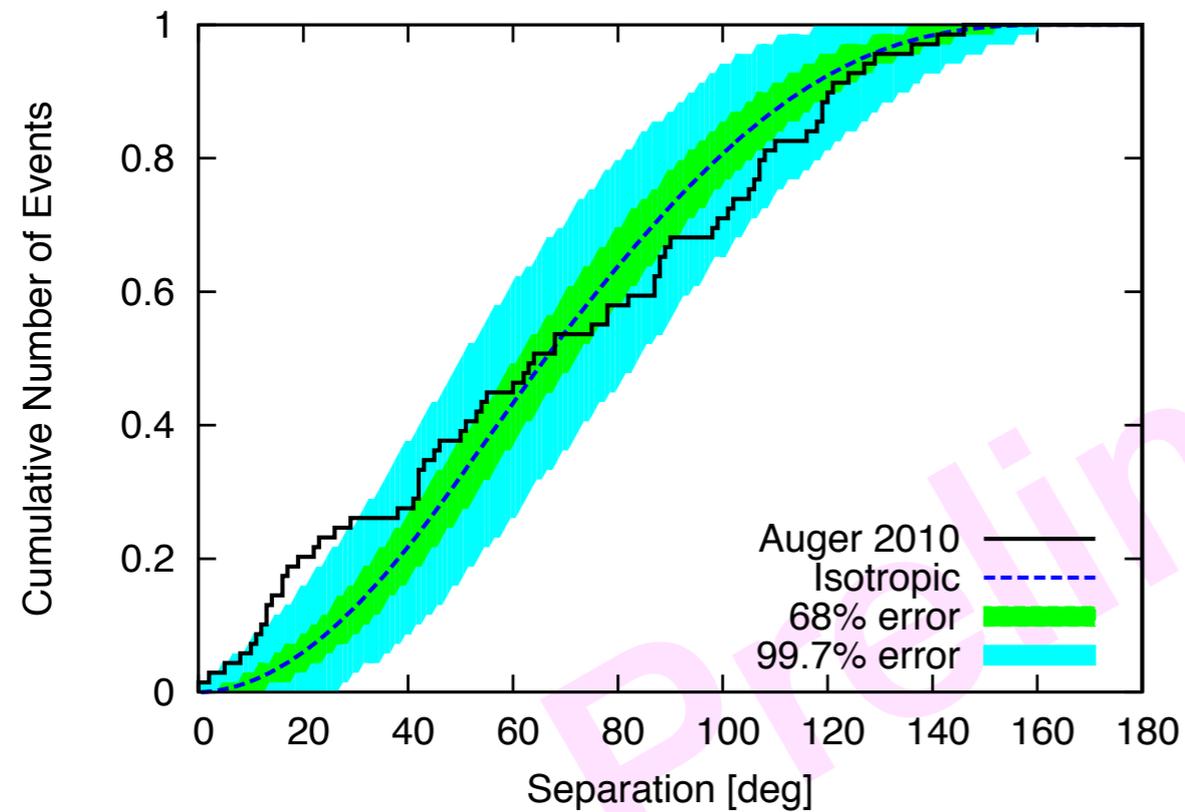
$0.018 < z < 0.036$



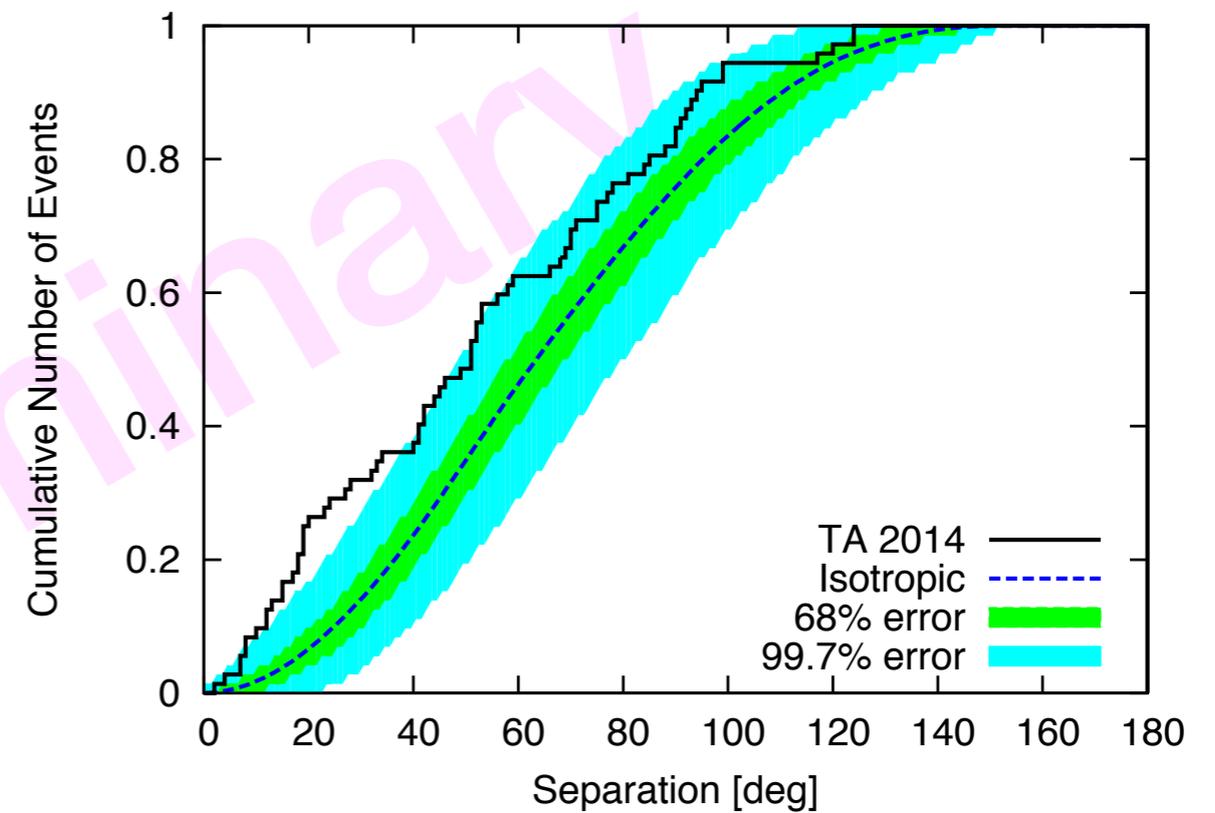
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# Event Distribution from Specific Positions

## Auger - Cen A

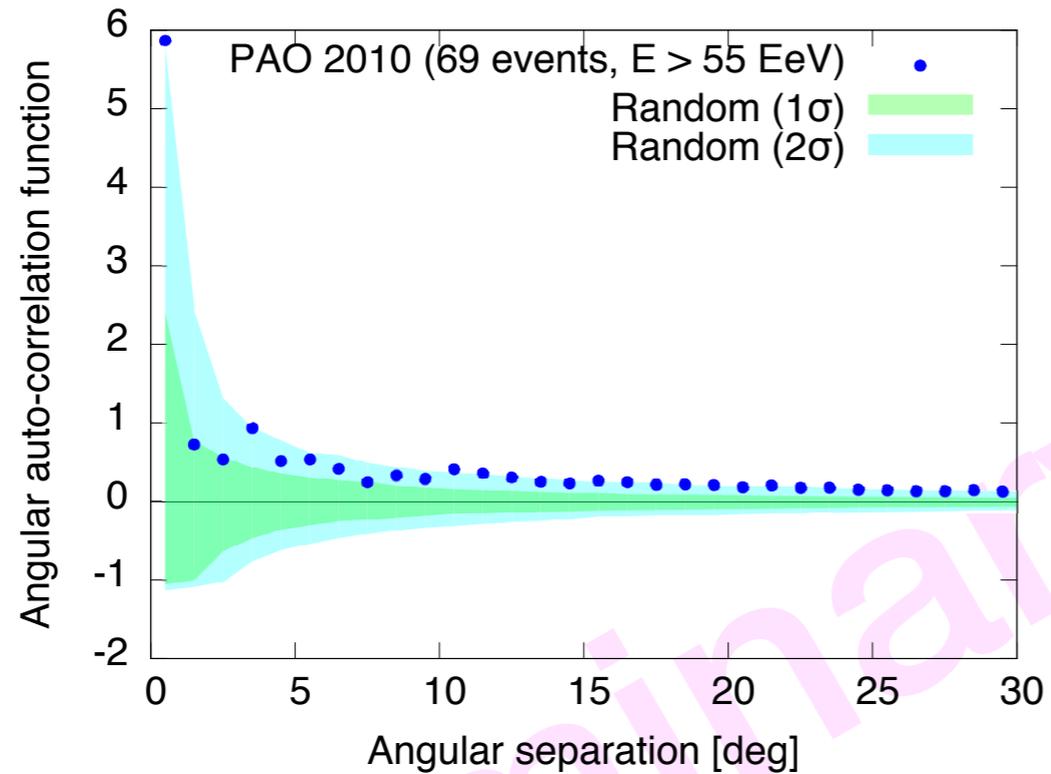


## Telescope Array - Hotspot center



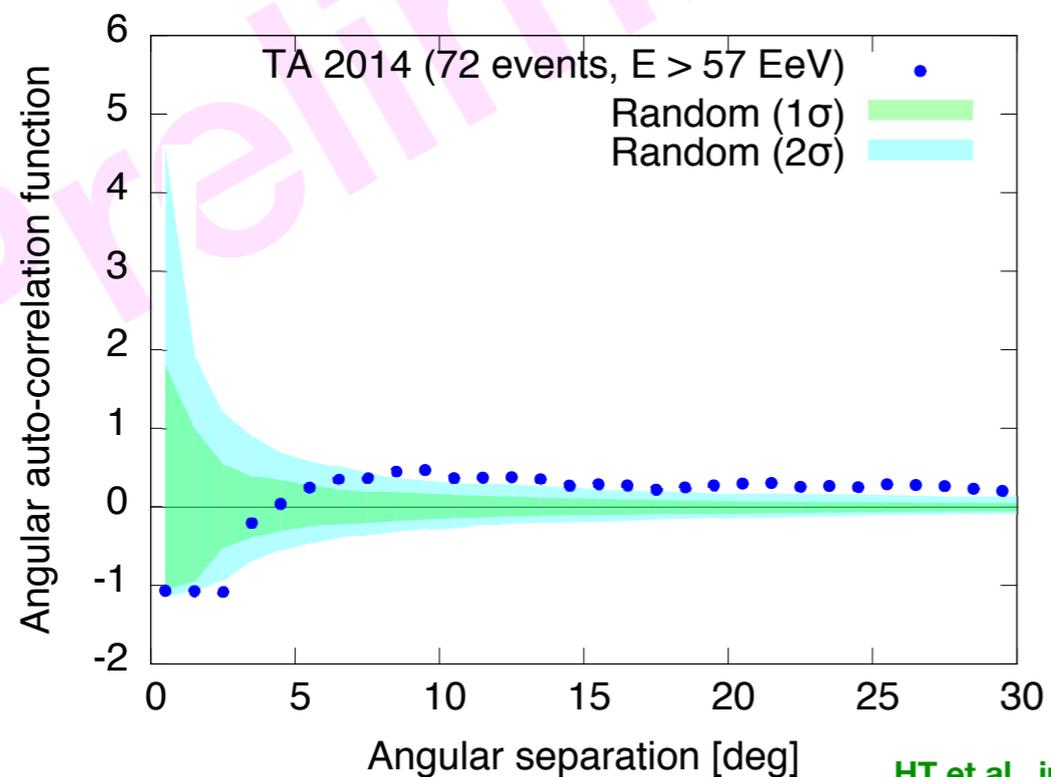
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# Angular Auto-correlation Functions



Auger

- Consistent with isotropy at  $2\sigma$



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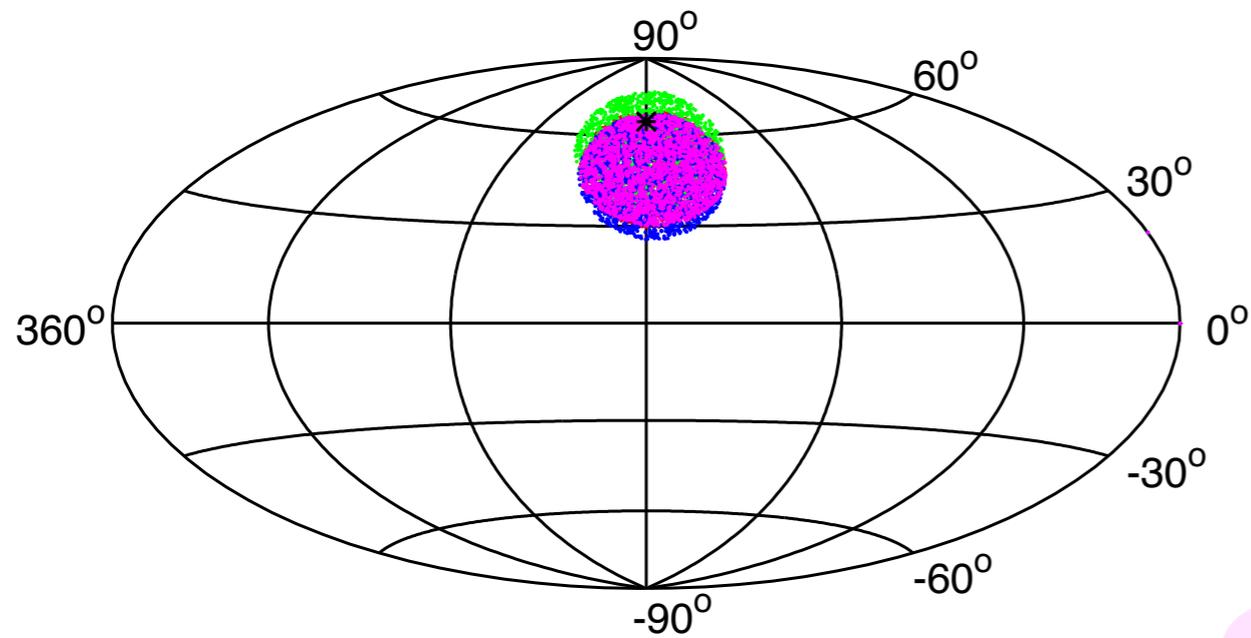
- Medium-scale anisotropy at  $2\sigma$

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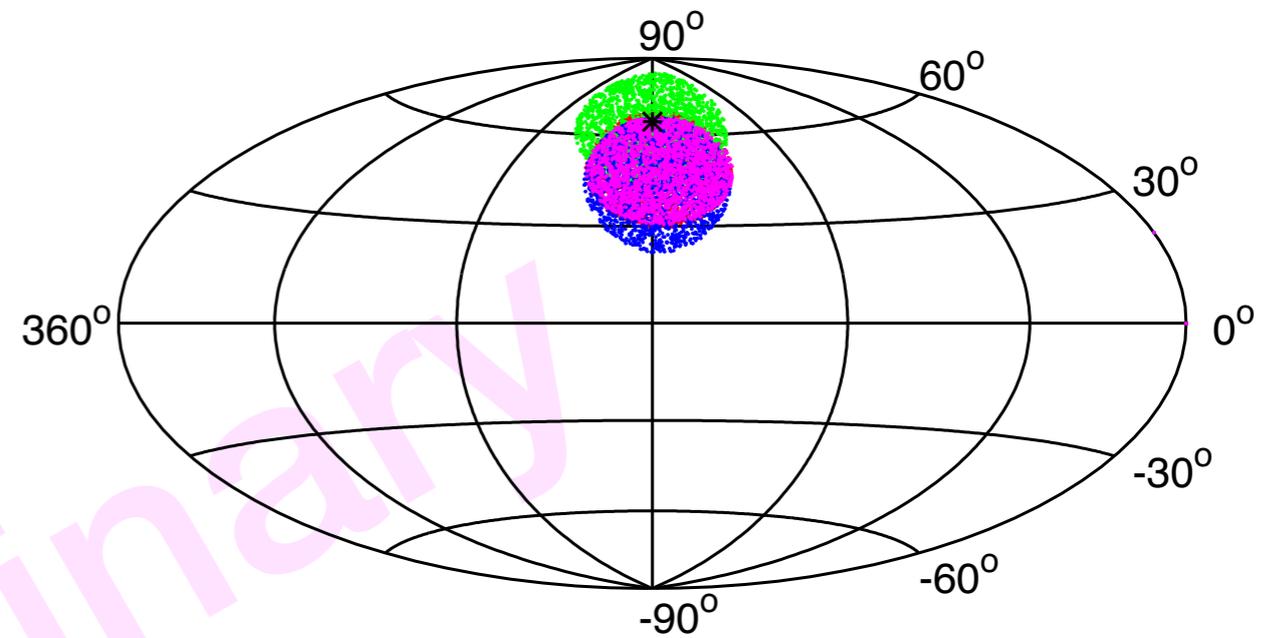
# Effects of Galactic Magnetic Fields

$E = 60 \text{ EeV}$

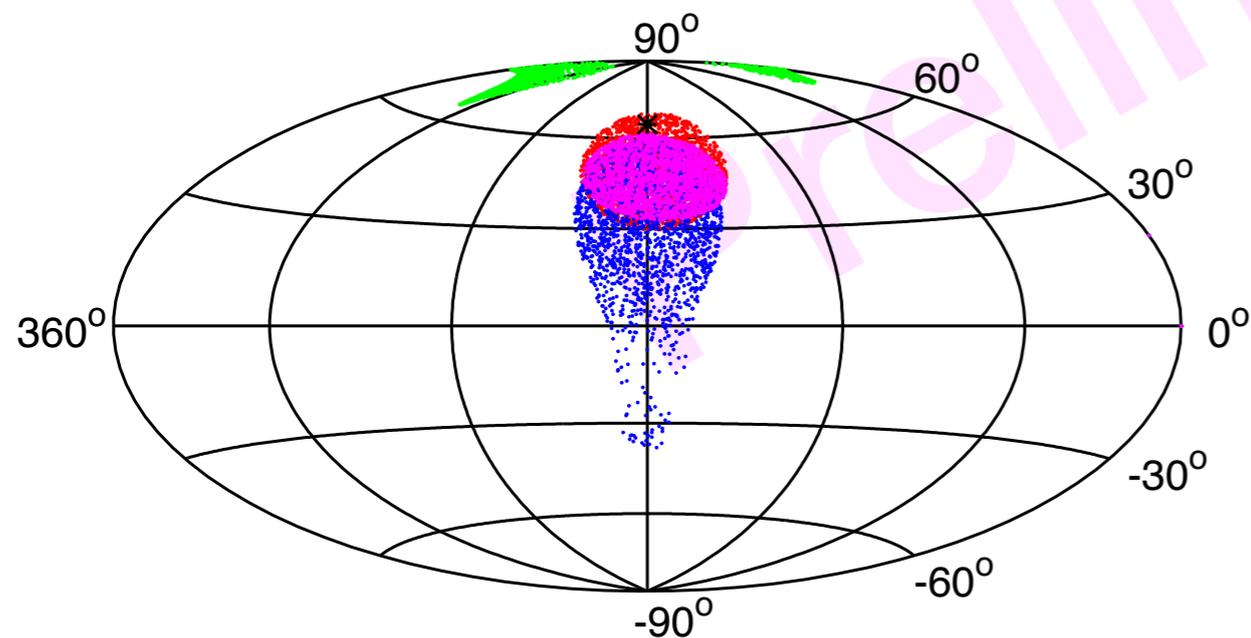
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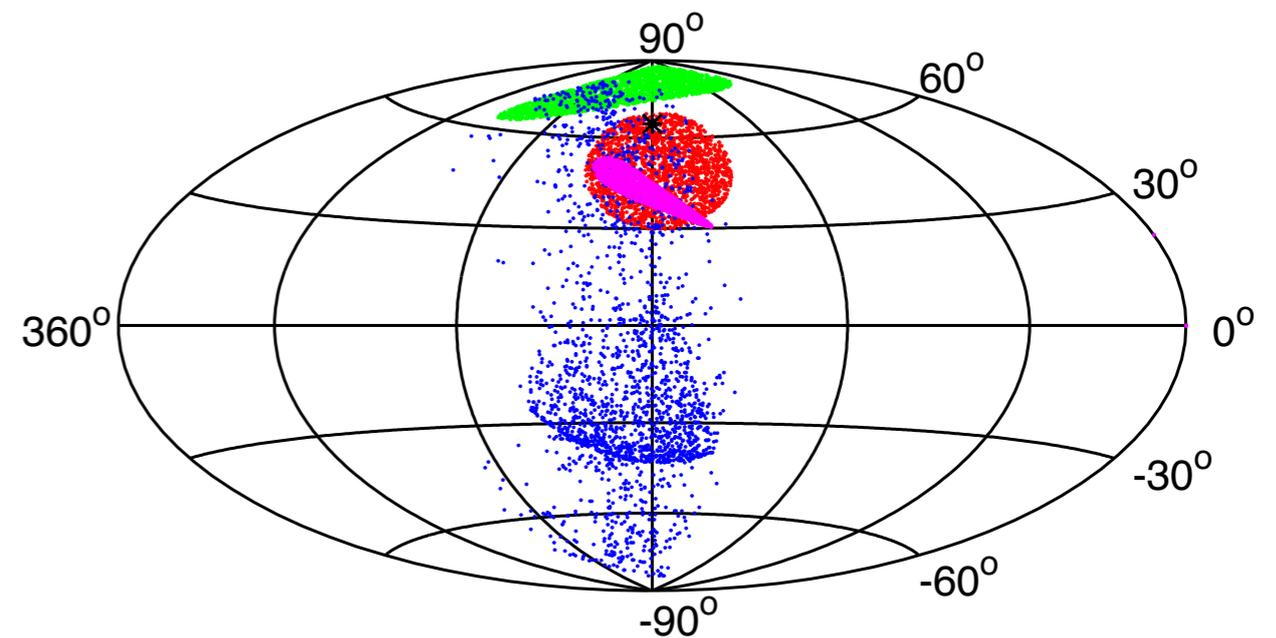
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Nitrogen



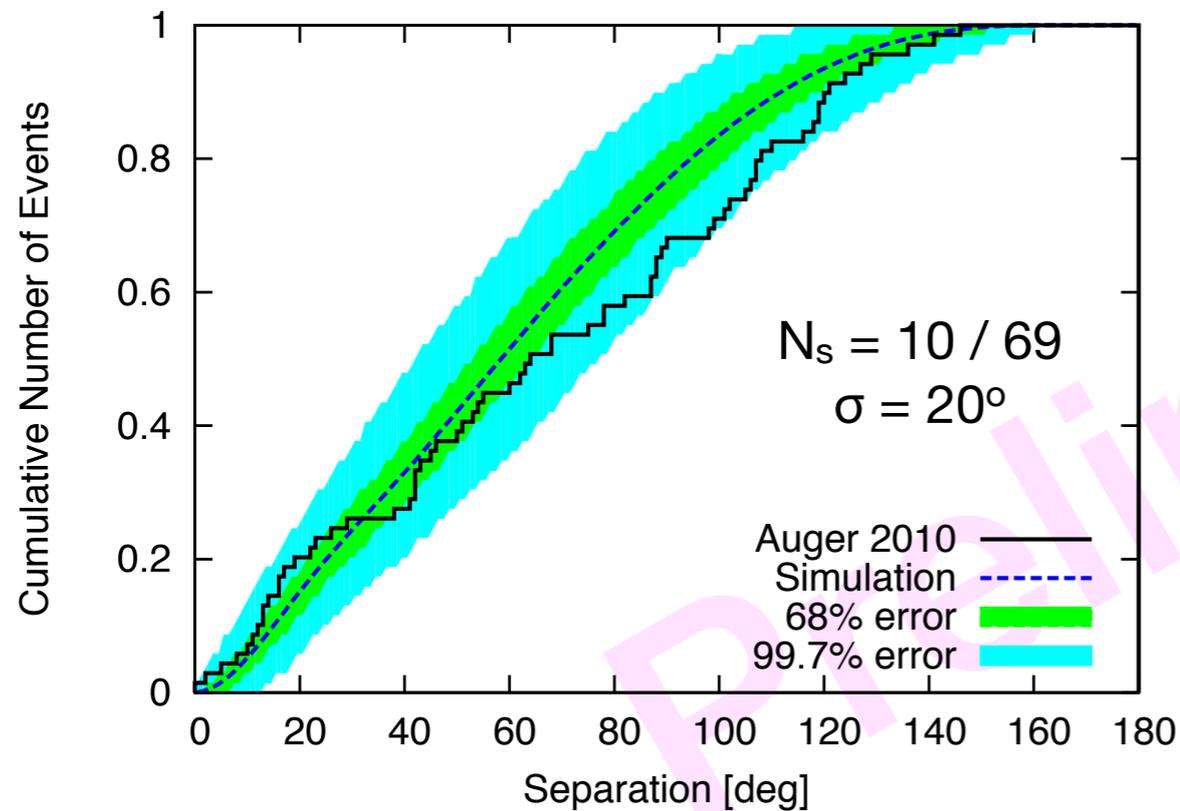
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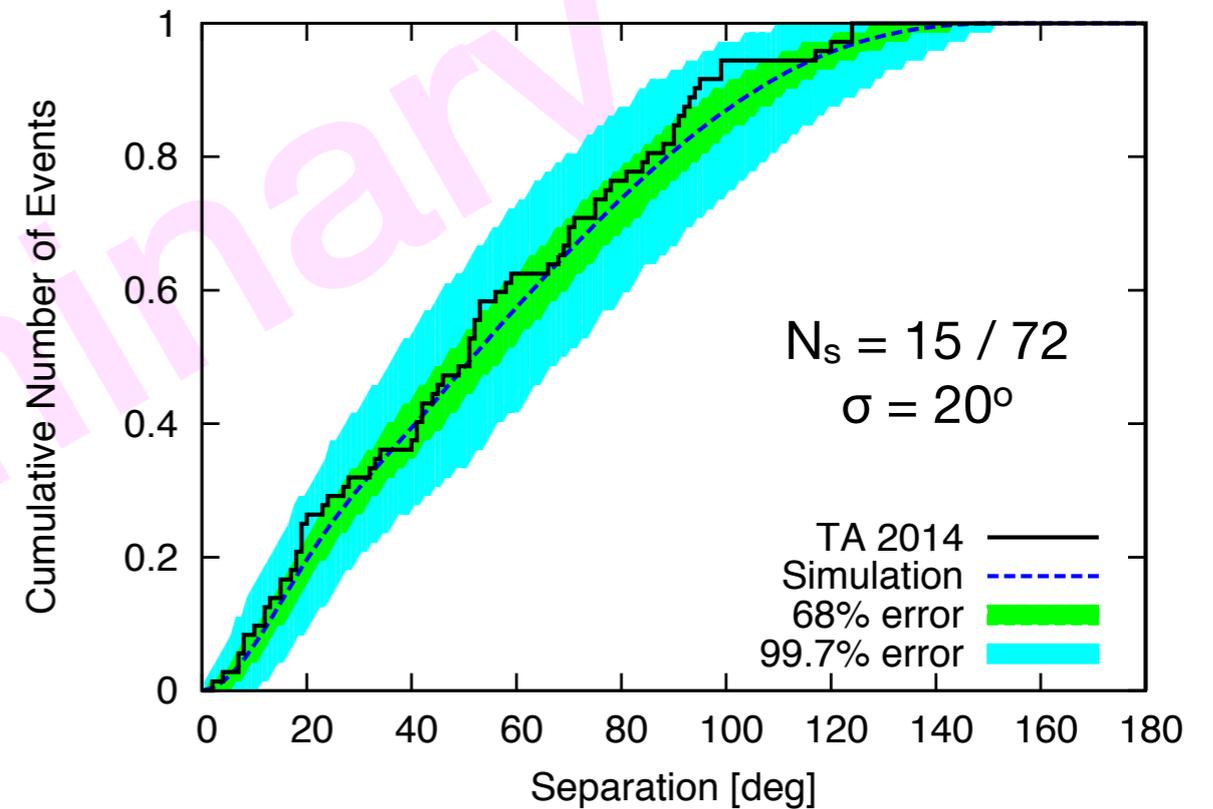
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# Isotropic Background + Source Contribution

## Auger



## Telescope Array



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Deflection is  $\sim 20^\circ$ .

# Indicated Magnetic Fields

## Cosmological

$$\theta(E, D) \simeq 4.2^\circ Z \left( \frac{E}{6 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{D}{100 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{B}{1 \text{ nG}} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{1 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2}$$

## Local

$$\theta(E, D) \simeq 18.6^\circ Z \left( \frac{E}{6 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{D}{2 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{B}{100 \text{ nG}} \right) \left( \frac{\lambda}{100 \text{ kpc}} \right)^{1/2}$$

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# Summary

## Current Status

- Anisotropy versus chemical composition
- Transient sources?

## Future prospects

**The nature of UHECR sources should be understood to establish strategies for source identification.**

- Generation: steady or transient
- Composition: proton-dominated or heavy nuclei

## Anisotropy!

The hotspots indicates ~ 100 nG magnetic fields around the Milky Way — Multi-messenger!