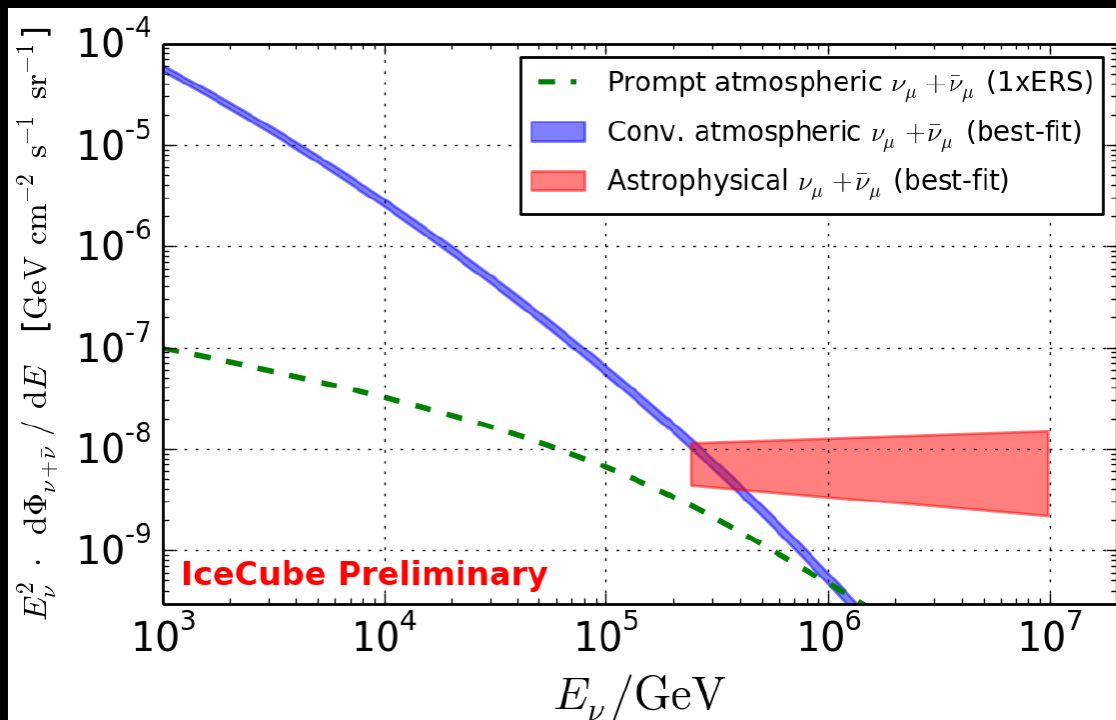
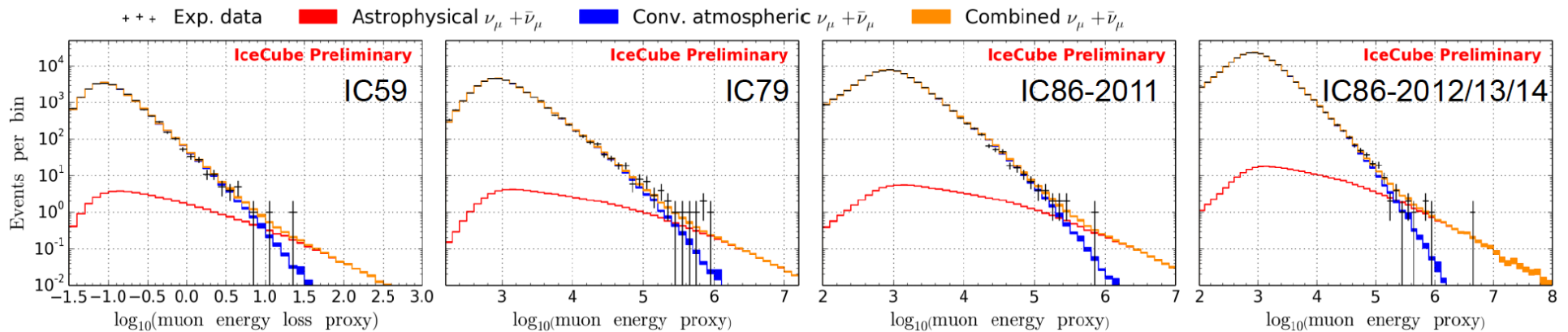


after 6 years: 3.7 → 6.0 sigma



Best-fit astrophysical normalization:

$$(0.78^{+0.29}_{-0.25}) \times 10^{-18} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}$$

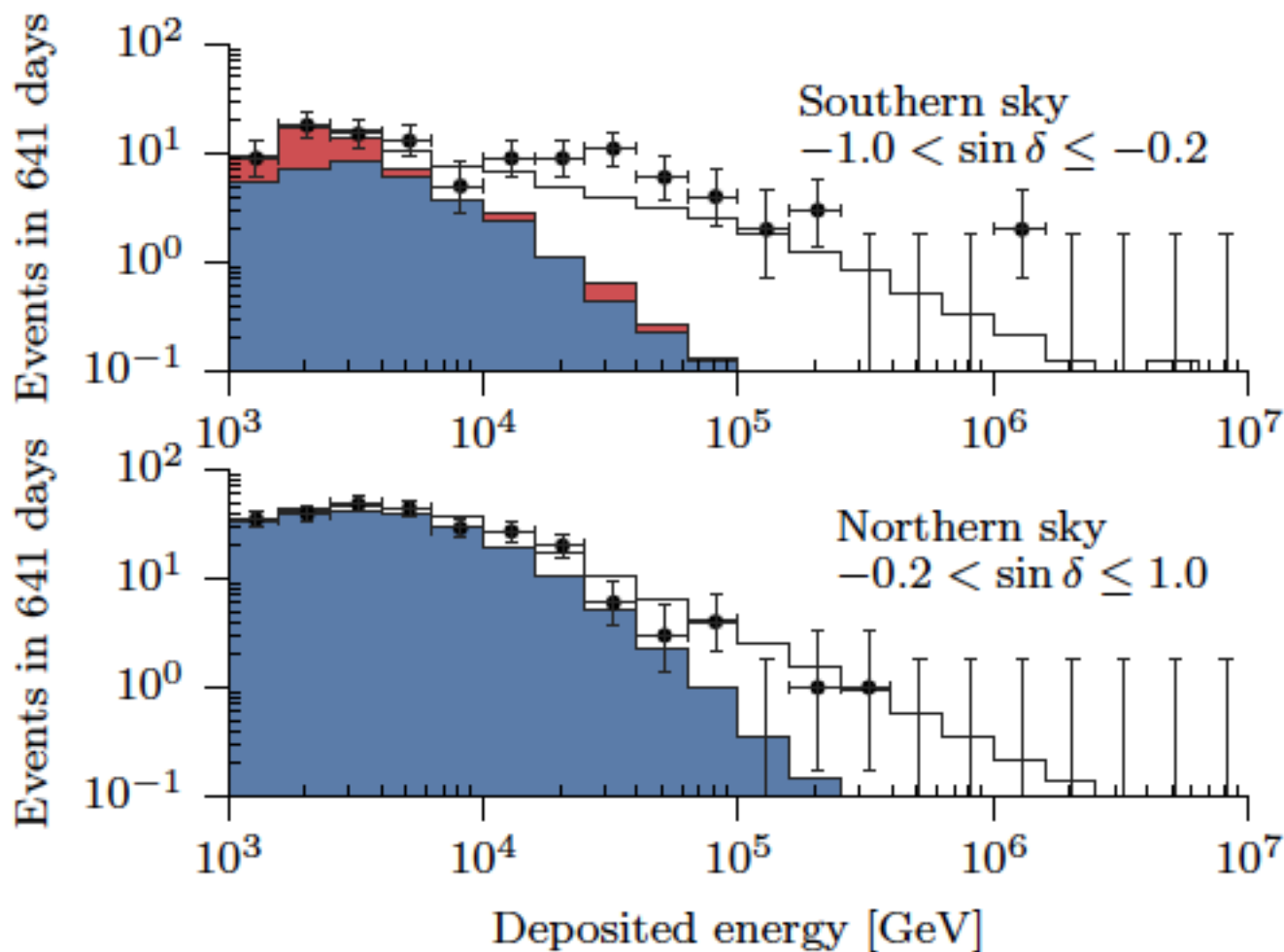
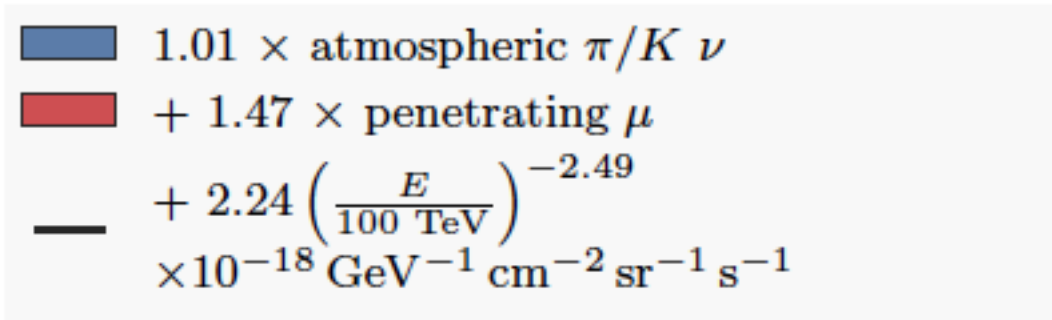
Best-fit spectral index:

$$\gamma_{\text{astro}} = 2.06 \pm 0.13$$

Energy ranges:

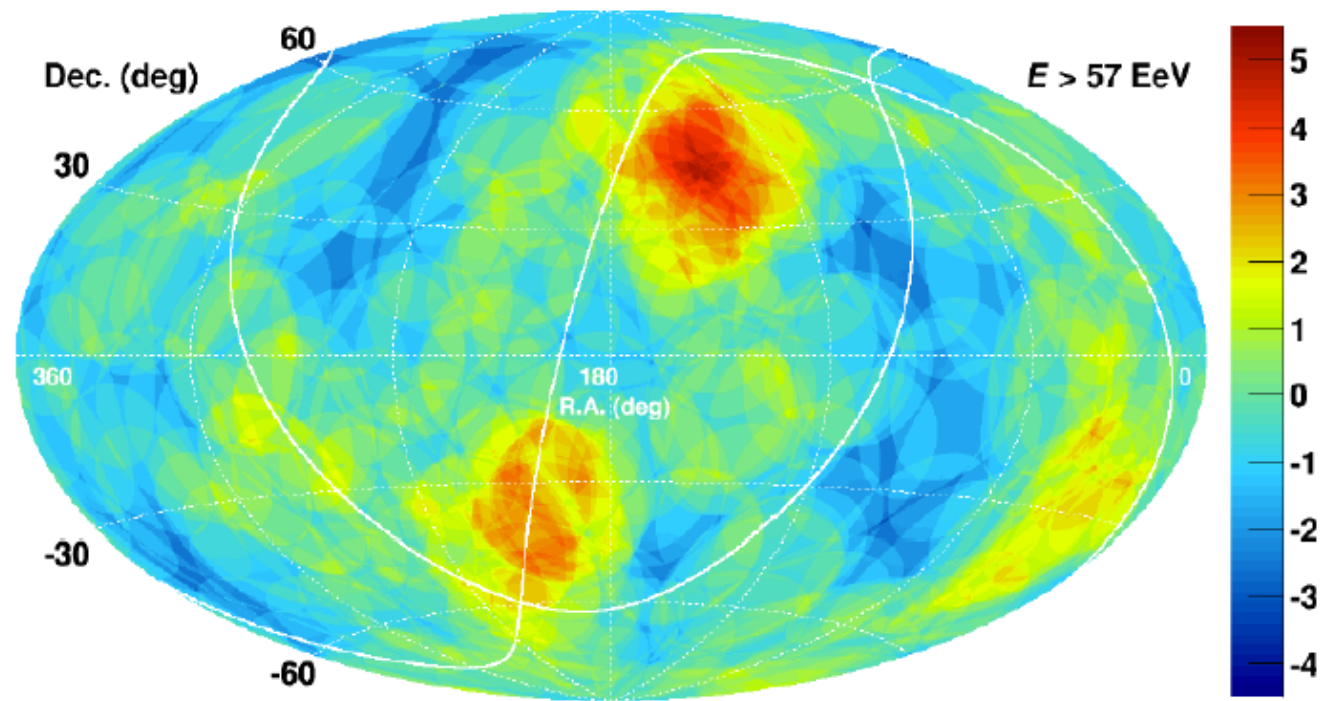
$$240 \text{ TeV} - 10 \text{ PeV}$$

Atmospheric-only hypothesis excluded by 6.0σ

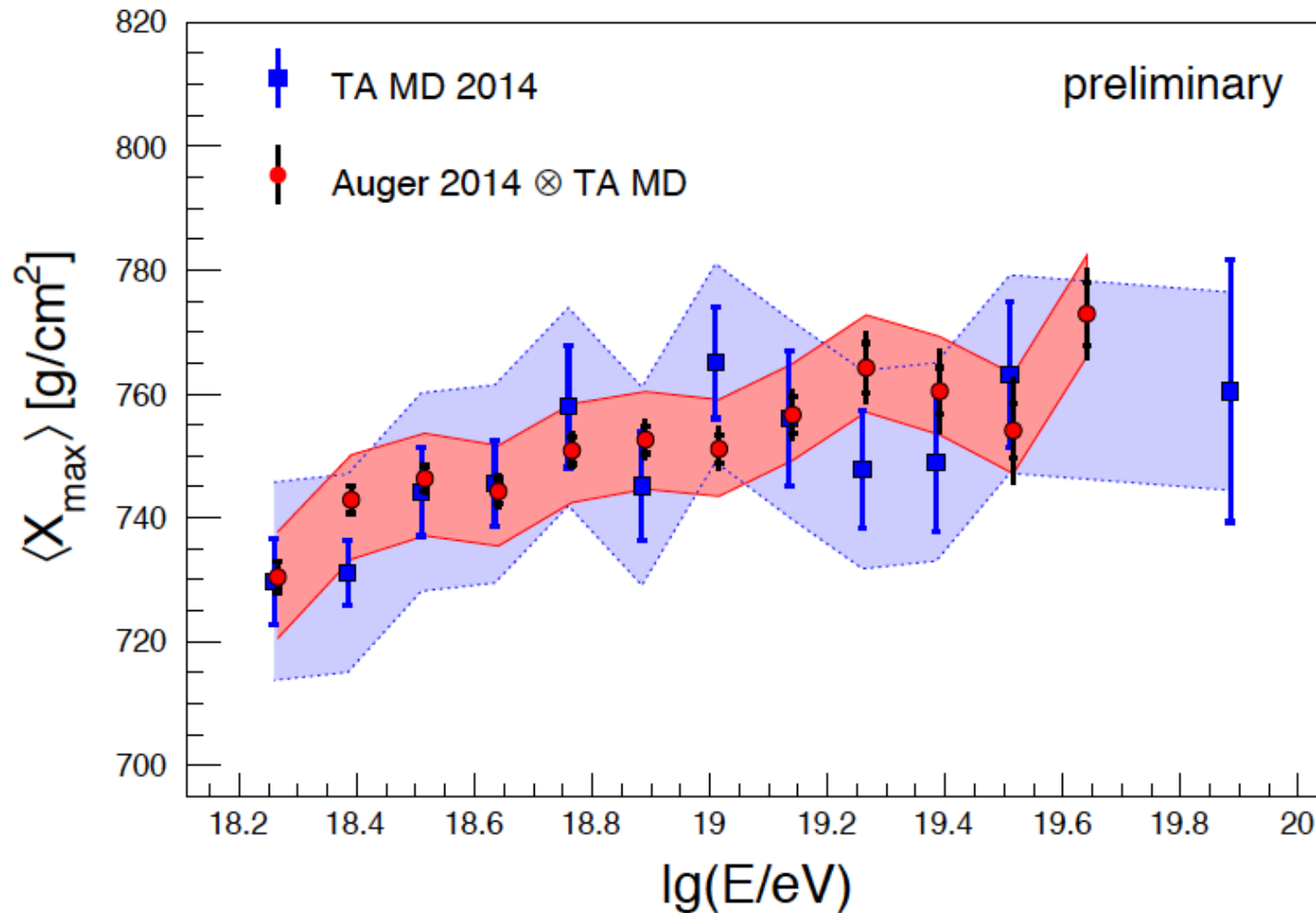


Attempt at full-sky coverage

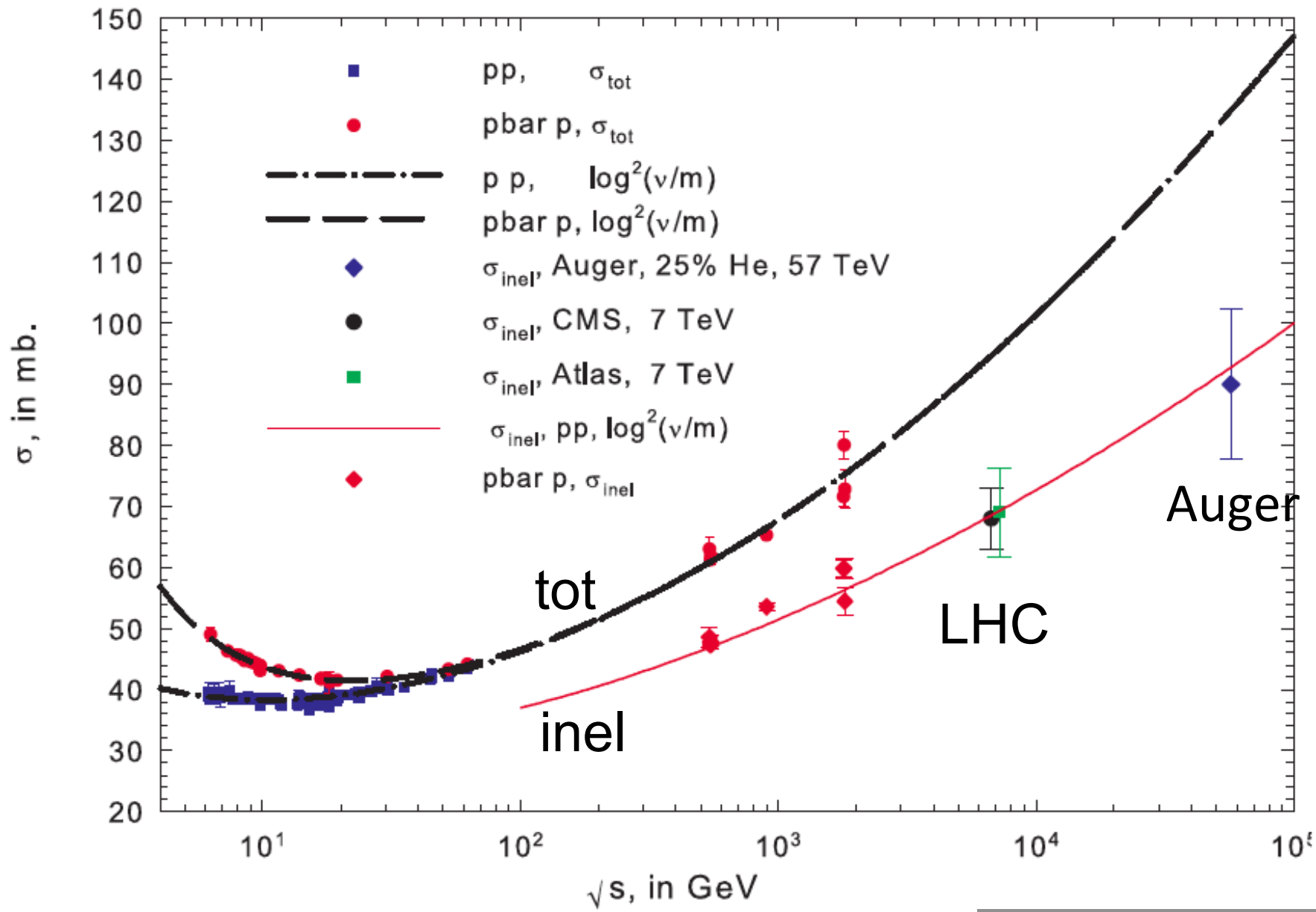
- $E > 57 \text{ EeV}$
- $r = 20^\circ$



Average Shower Maximum: Comparison to TA

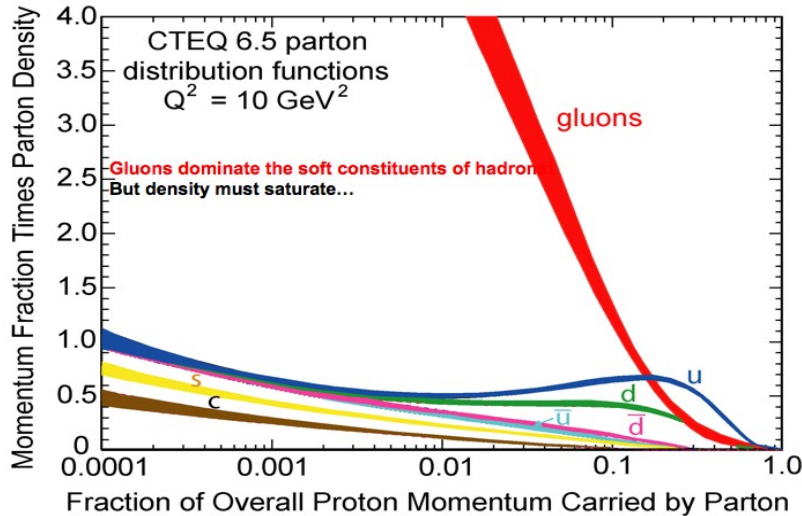


$$\langle \Delta \rangle = (2.9 \pm 2.7 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 18 \text{ (syst.)}) \text{ g/cm}^2$$

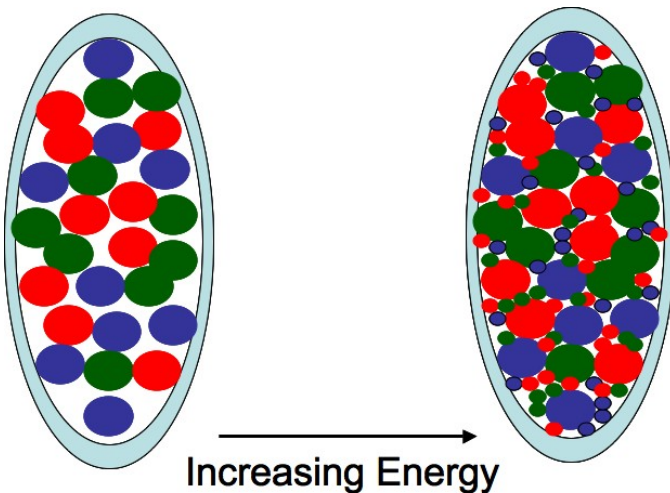
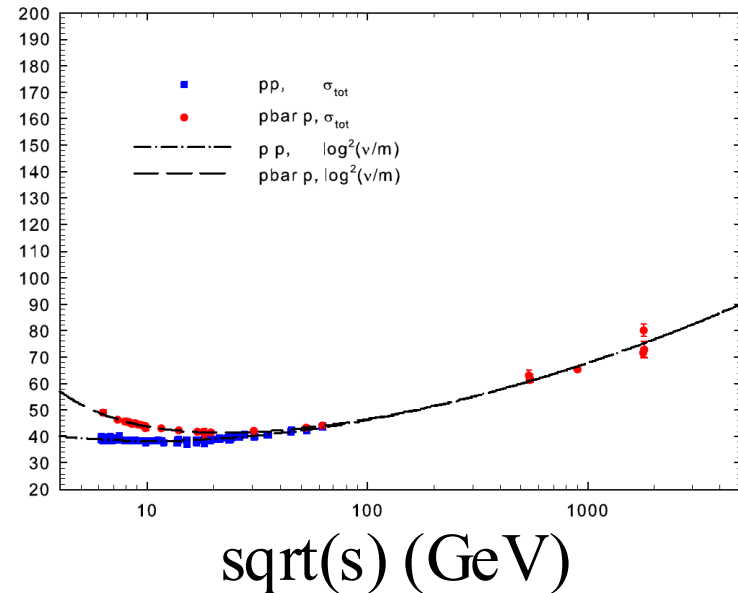


QCD evolution and gluon saturation

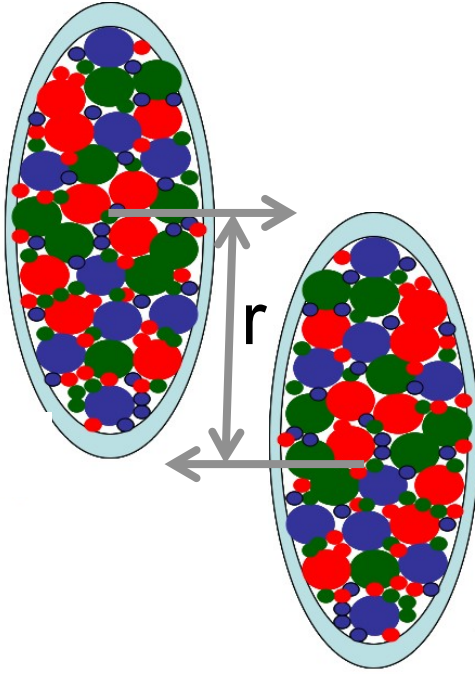
as the partons evolve, the number of gluons becomes large
they must fit inside a hadron that does not increase in size



σ_{tot}
(mb)



- at high energy gluons are Lorentz contracted to sit atop one another and act coherently, like nucleons in a nucleus
- density per unit rapidity is large and increases with energy as $\log(E/\Lambda)$
- the asymptotic proton is a black disk of gluons



- the total cross section for shadow scattering is

$$\sigma = 2\pi R^2 = \frac{1}{4m^2} S^2$$

$$\sigma \propto \frac{1}{m^2} \log^2\left(\frac{E}{\Lambda}\right)$$

- scattering of two protons by the exchange of a particle with mass m (range $1/m$)

$$P(r, E) \propto e^{-2mr} e^{S(E)}$$

where $S(E)$ is the density of final states.

- P becomes of order one for

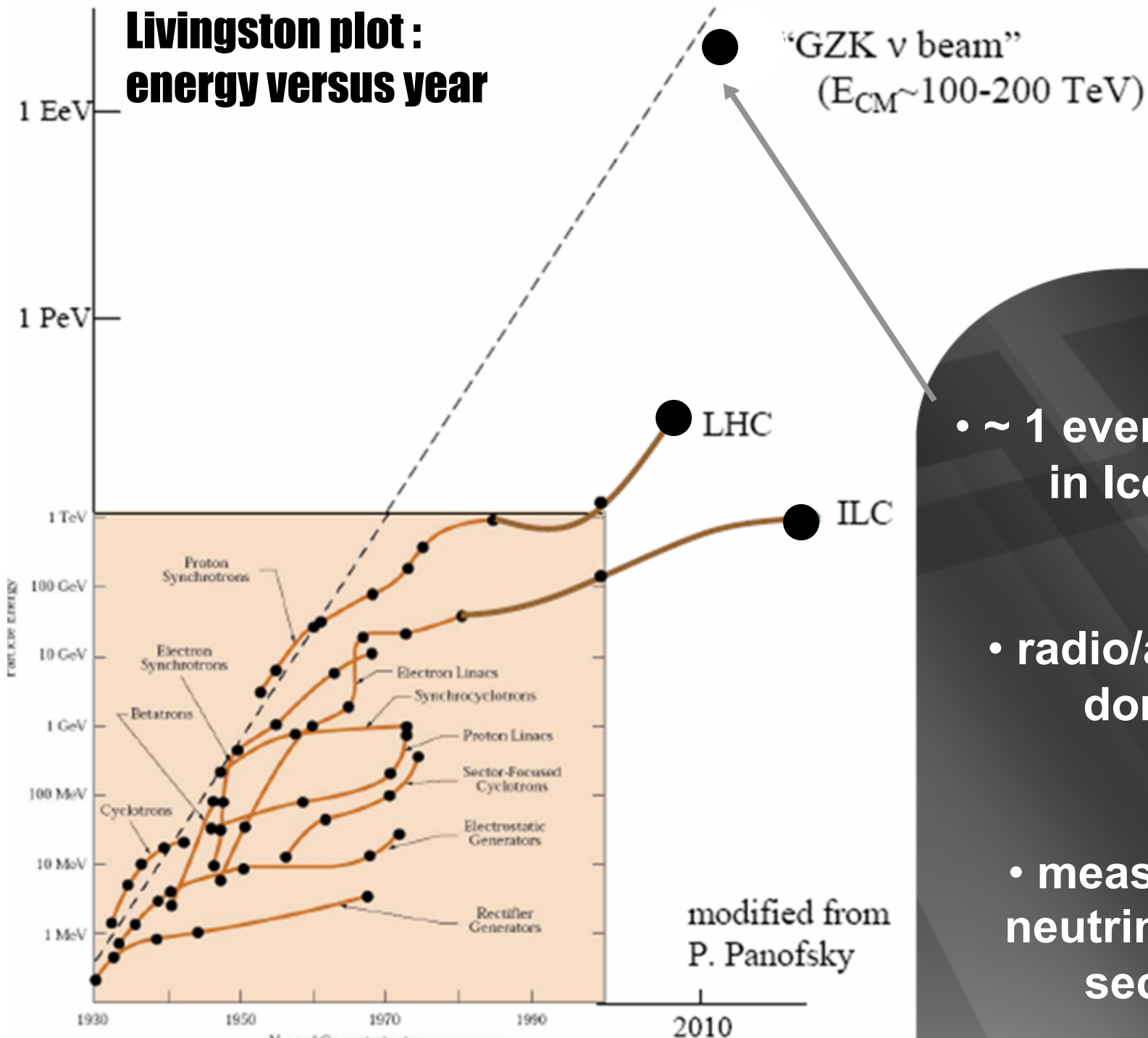
$$R = \frac{S(E)}{2m}$$

- for the gluon condensate the number of final states grows as a QCD-logarithm in energy

$$S(E) \propto \log\left(\frac{E}{\Lambda}\right)$$

you can think of it as the entropy of the gluon gas (also known as color glass condensate)

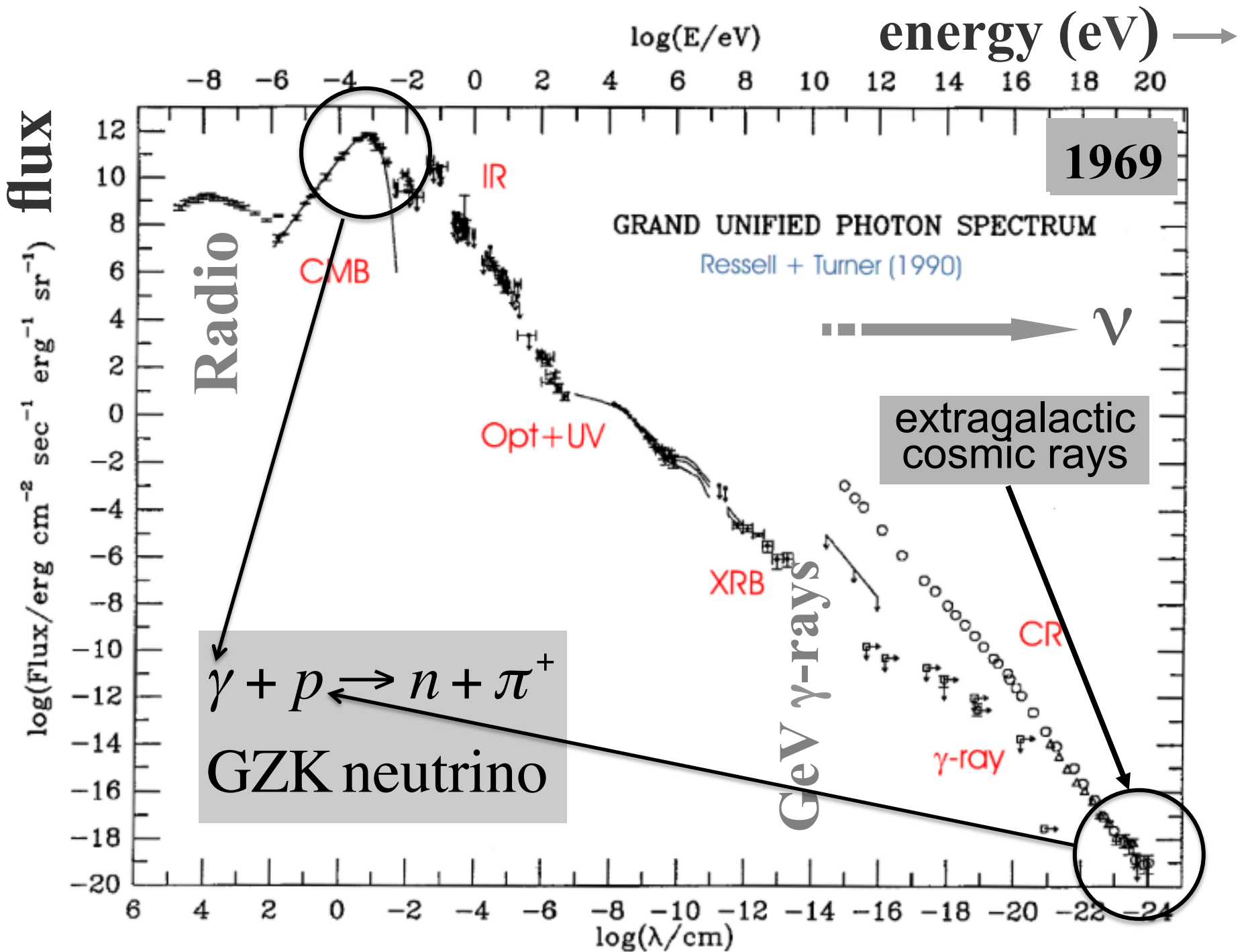
Livingston plot : energy versus year



- ~ 1 event per year
in IceCube

- radio/acoustic
domain

- measure the
neutrino cross
section



cosmic rays interact with the
microwave background

$$p + \gamma \rightarrow n + \pi^+ \text{ and } p + \pi^0$$

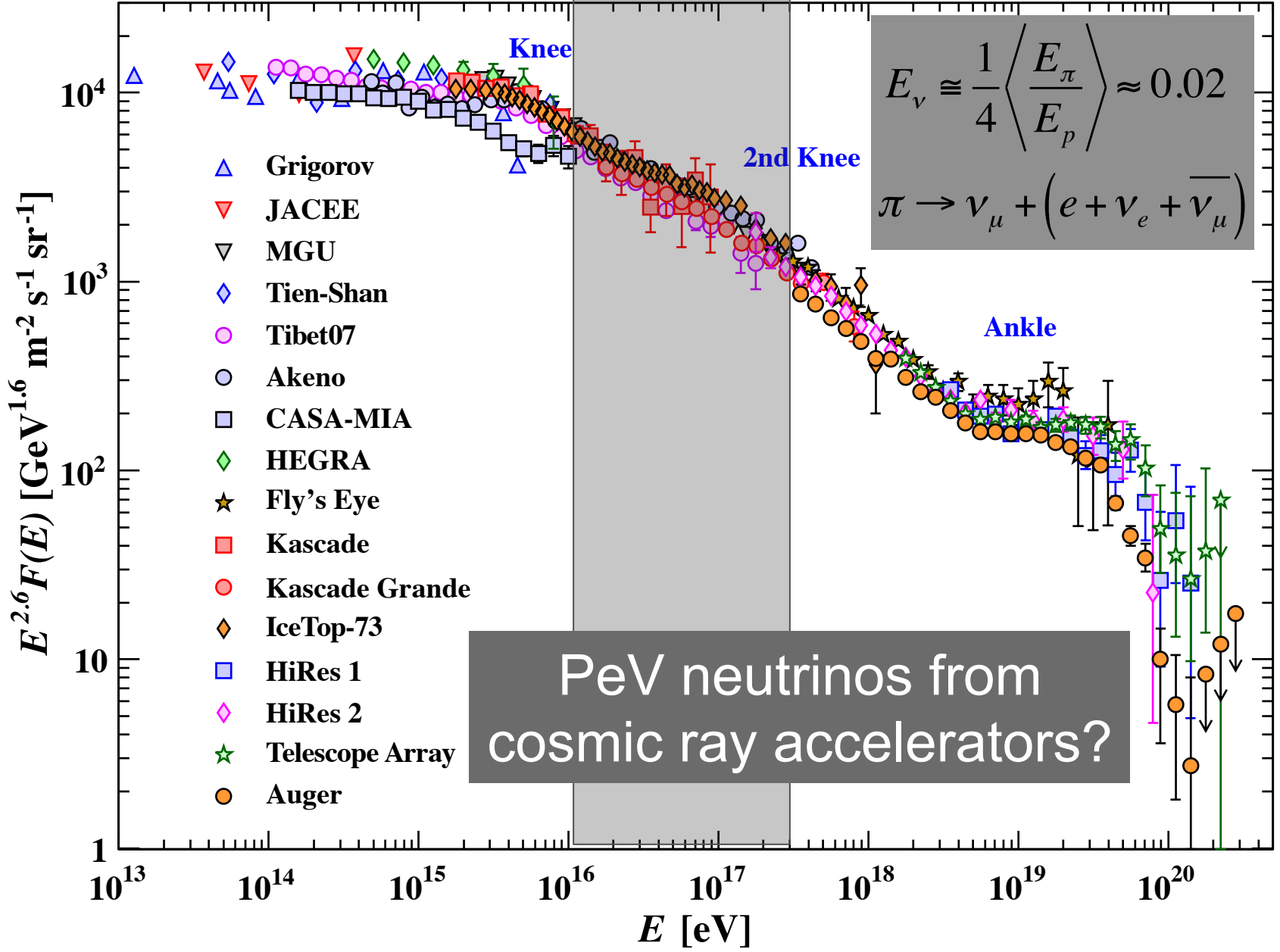
cosmic rays disappear, neutrinos with
EeV (10⁶ TeV) energy appear

$$\pi \rightarrow \mu + \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \{e + \bar{\nu}_{\mu} + \nu_e\} + \nu_{\mu}$$

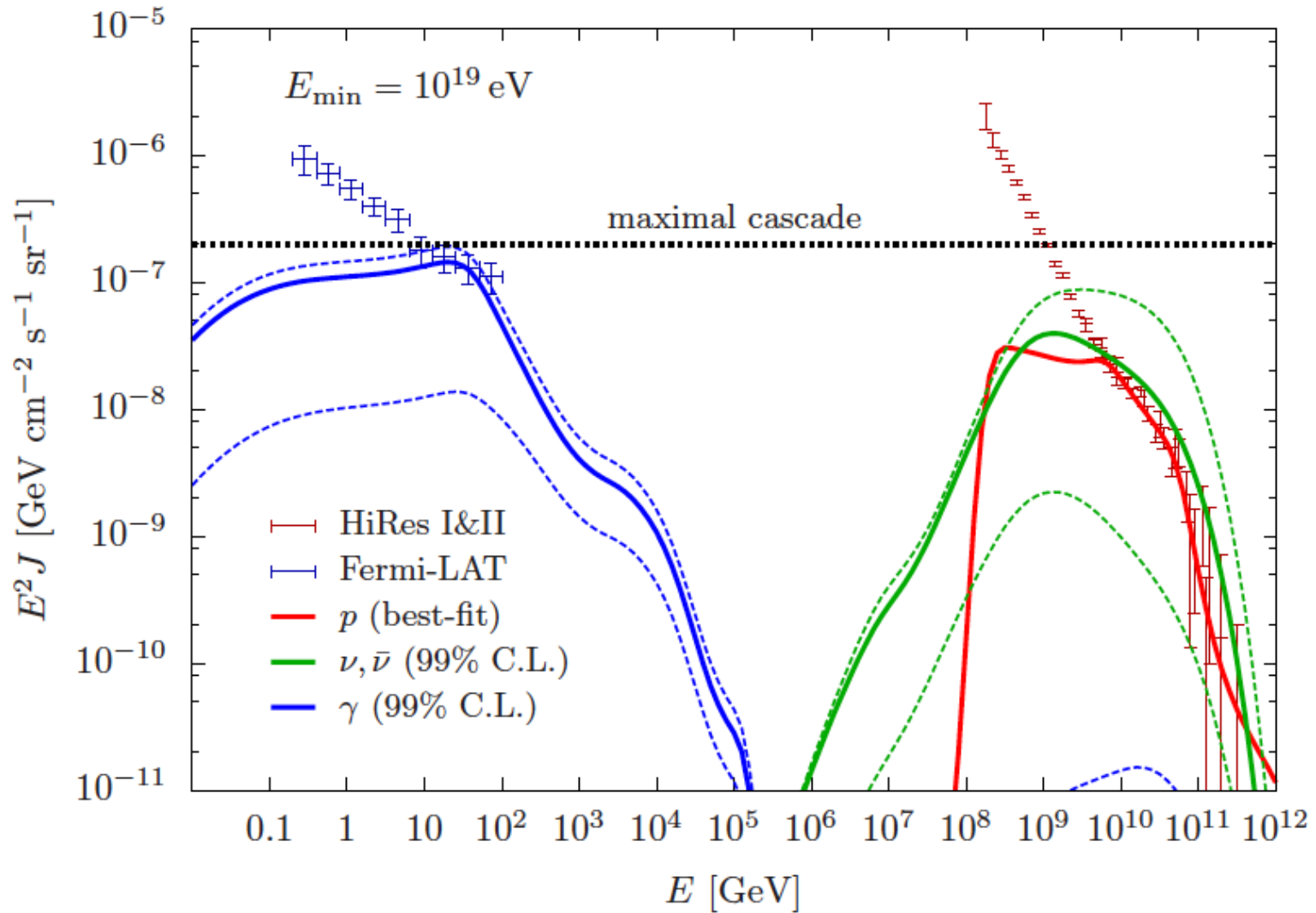
1 event per cubic kilometer per year
...but it points at its source!

the extragalactic accelerator: knobs to turn

- power-law energy dependence with a slope
- minimum energy
- maximum energy
- composition → assume protons
- cosmological evolution

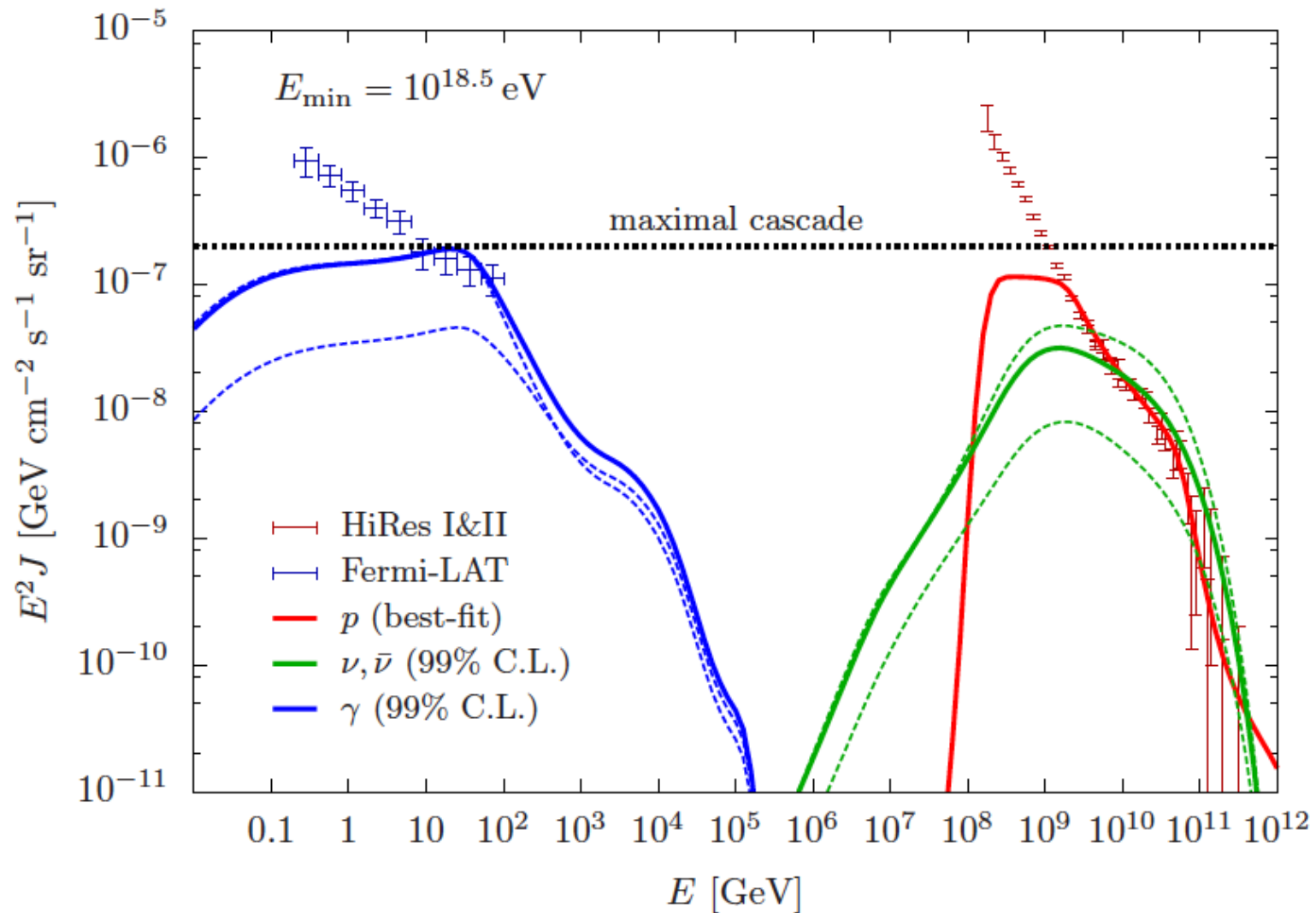


Cosmogenic neutrinos from CR protons



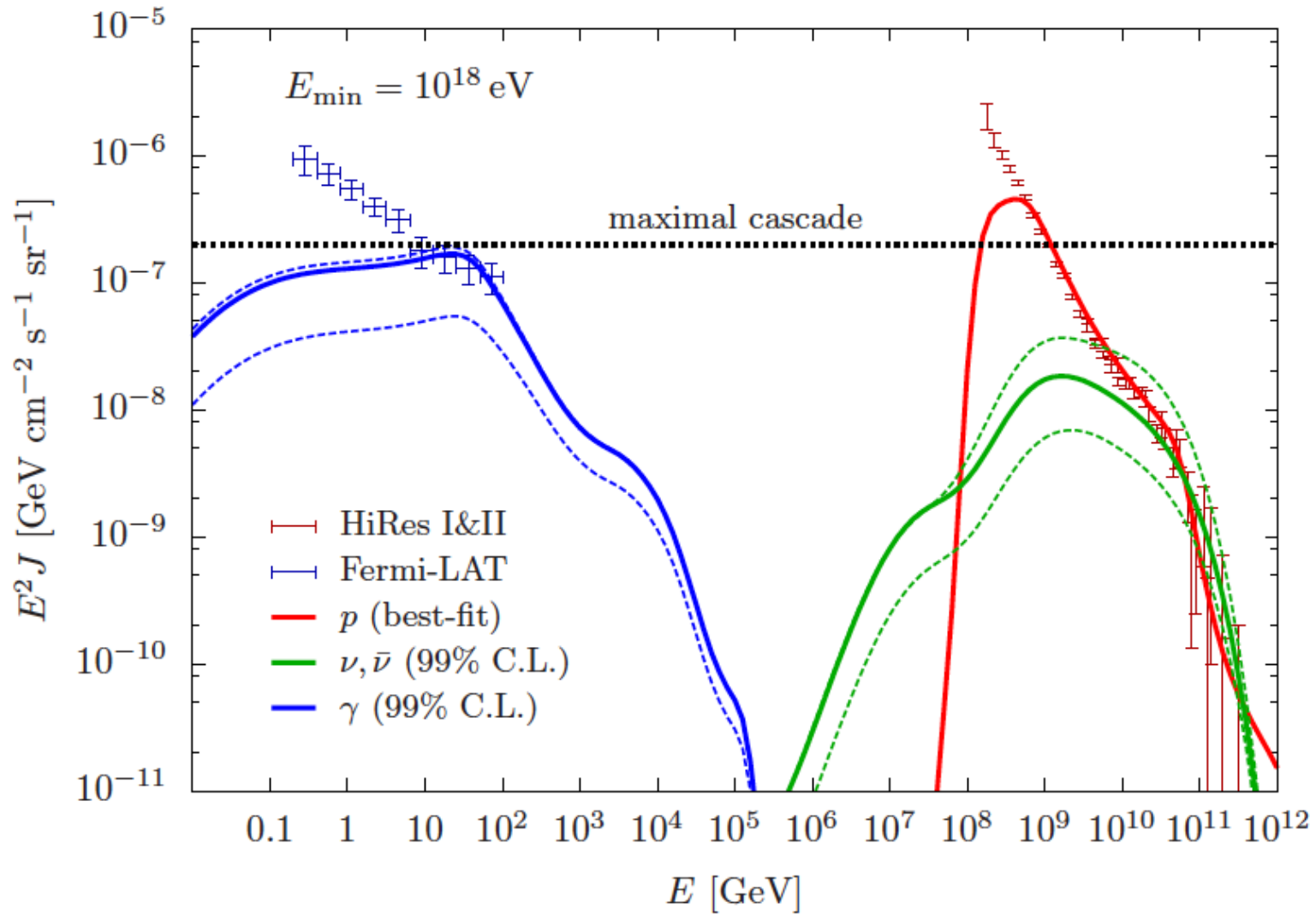
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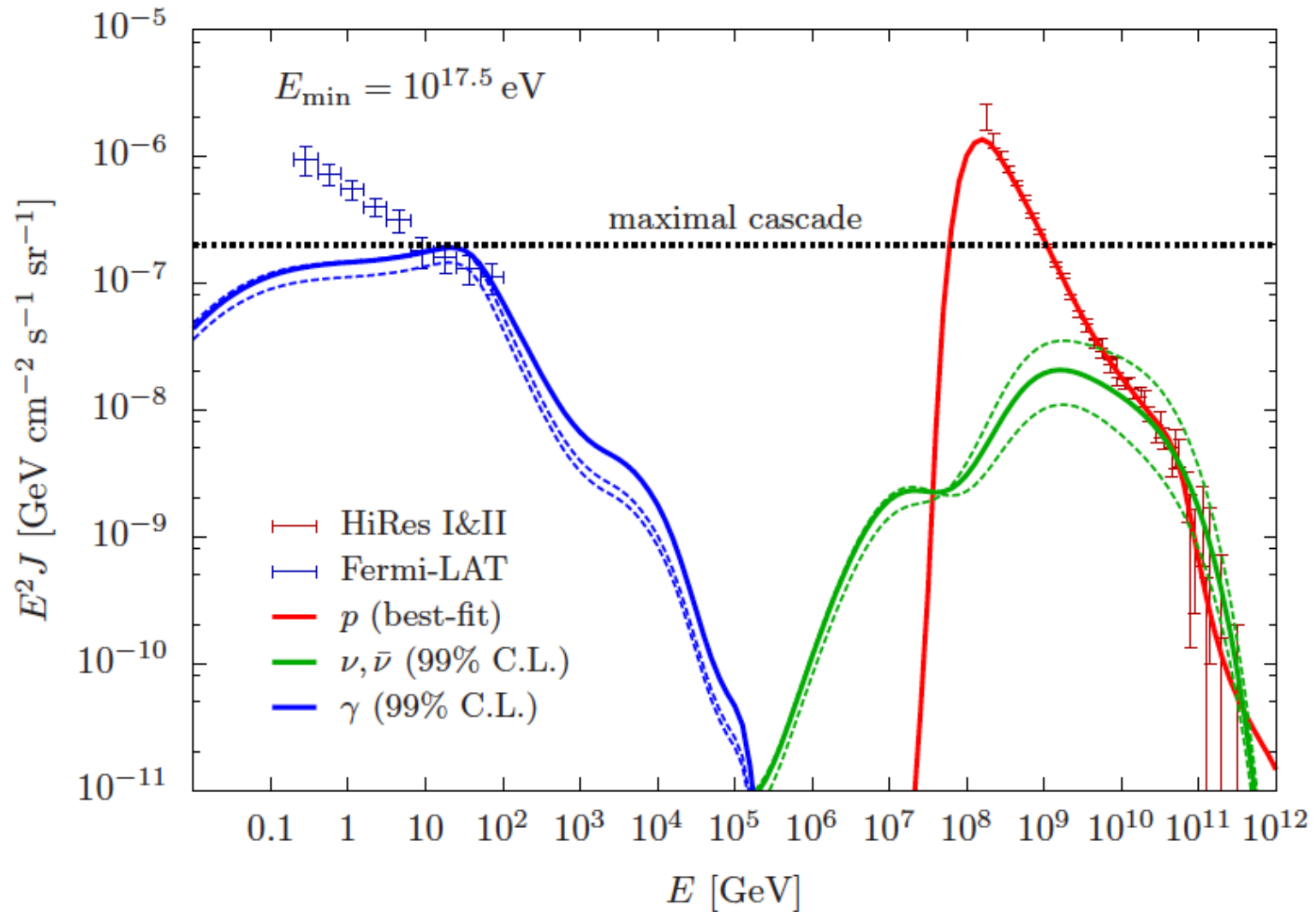
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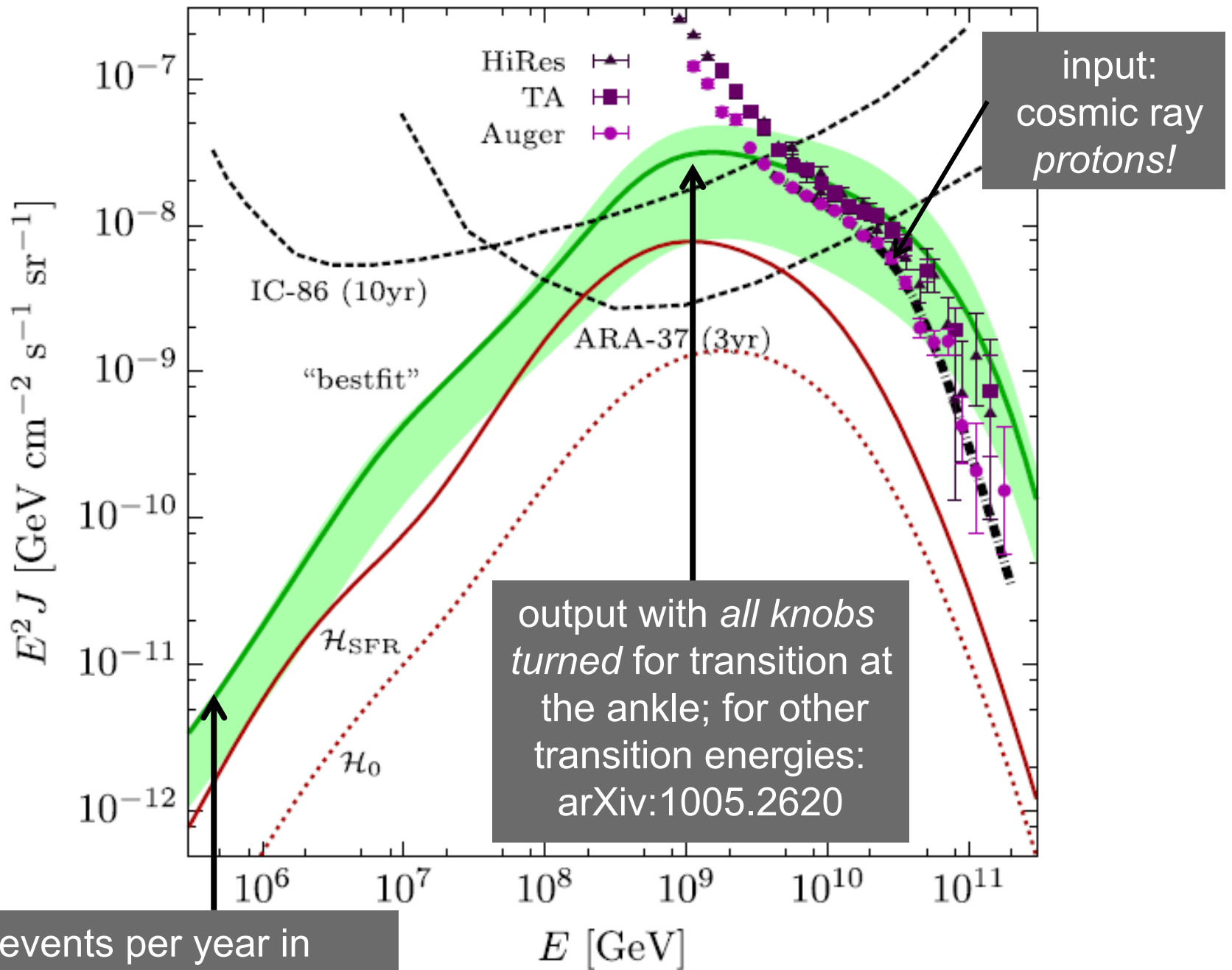


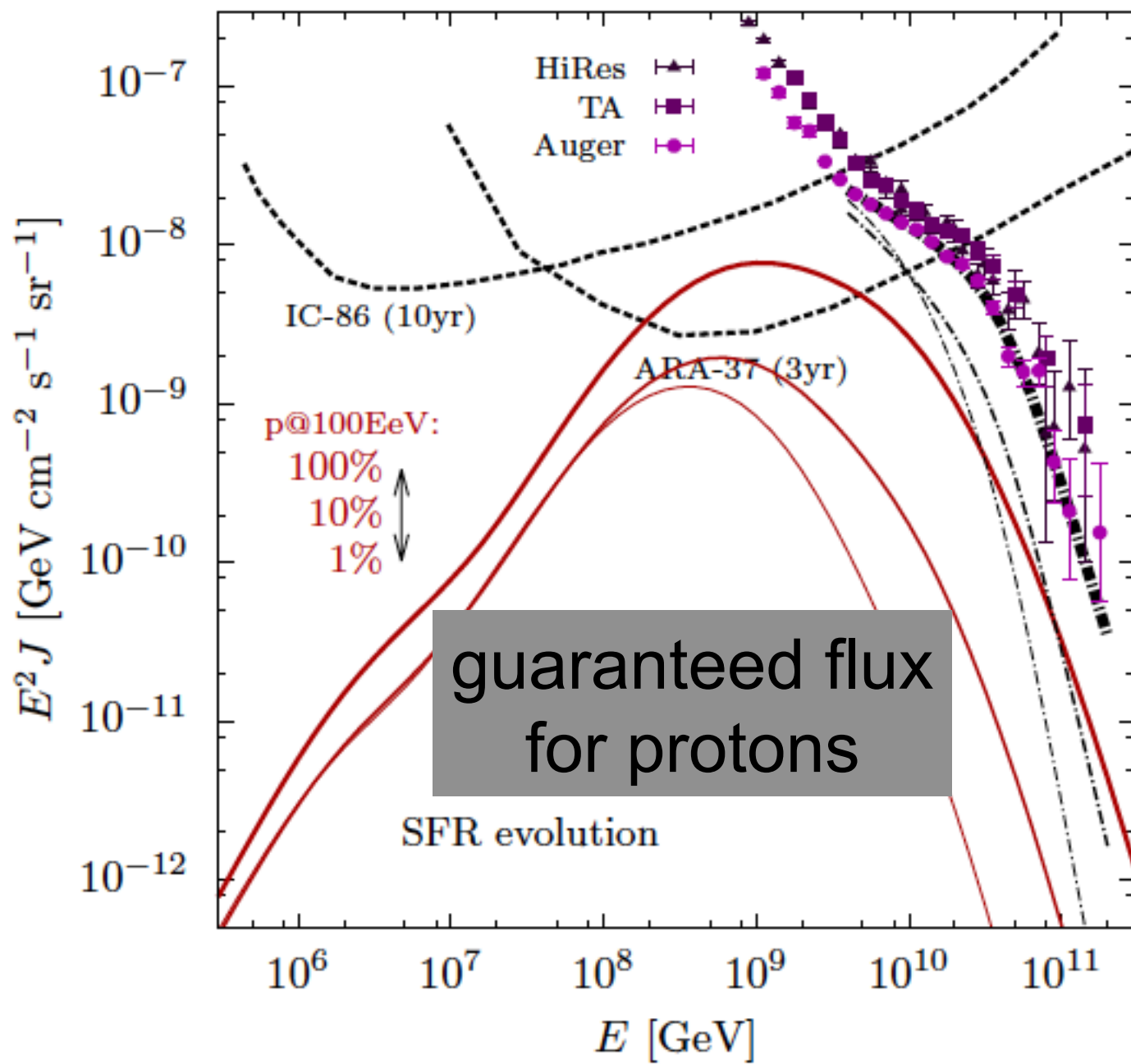
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Cosmogenic neutrinos from CR protons



knobs to turn: inject accelerator slope, minimum and maximum energy, evolution with z





Guaranteed cosmogenic neutrinos

→ nucleon spectrum for observed mass number A_{obs} :

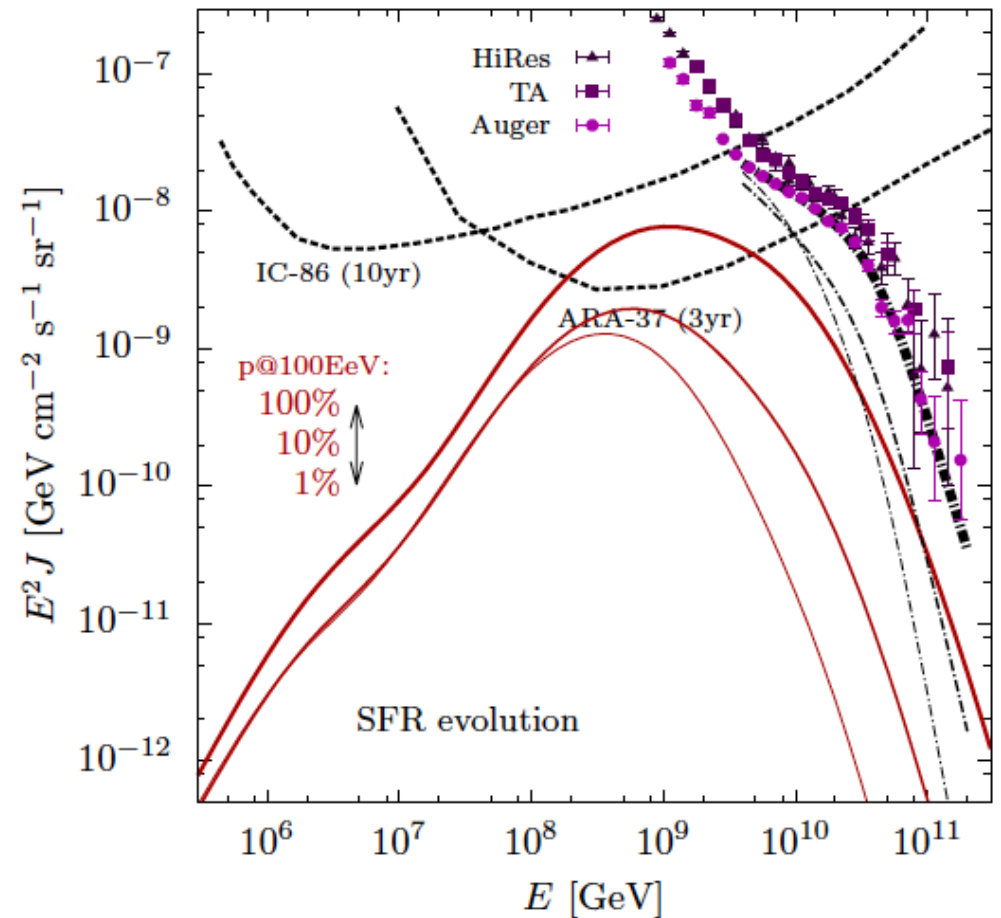
$$J_N^{\text{min}}(E_N) = A_{\text{obs}}^2 J_{\text{CR}}(A_{\text{obs}} E_N)$$

- dependence on cosmic evolution of sources:
 - no evolution (dotted)
 - star-formation rate (solid)

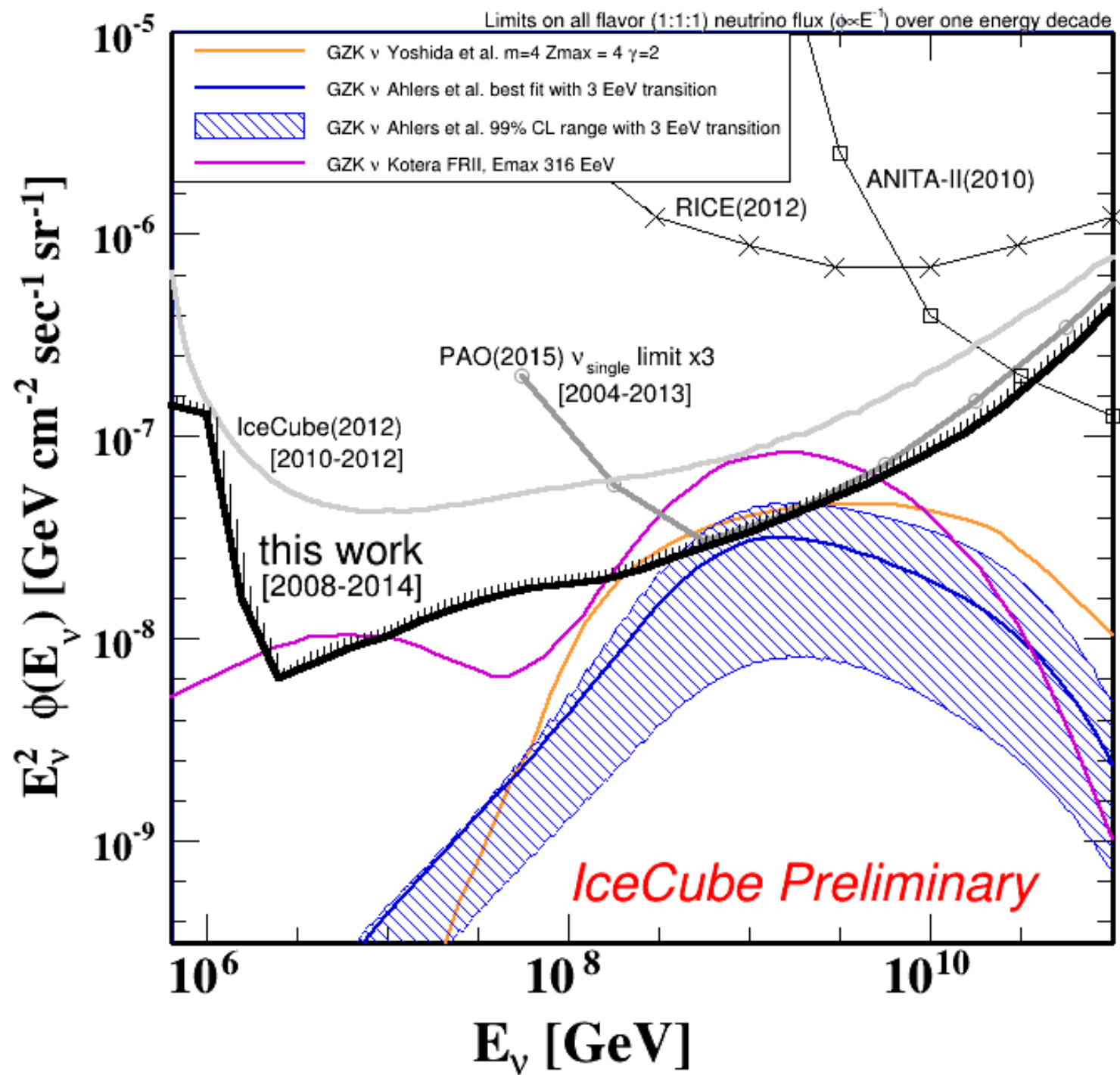
→ **ultimate test** of UHE CR proton models with **ARA-37**

→ generalization to arbitrary composition via

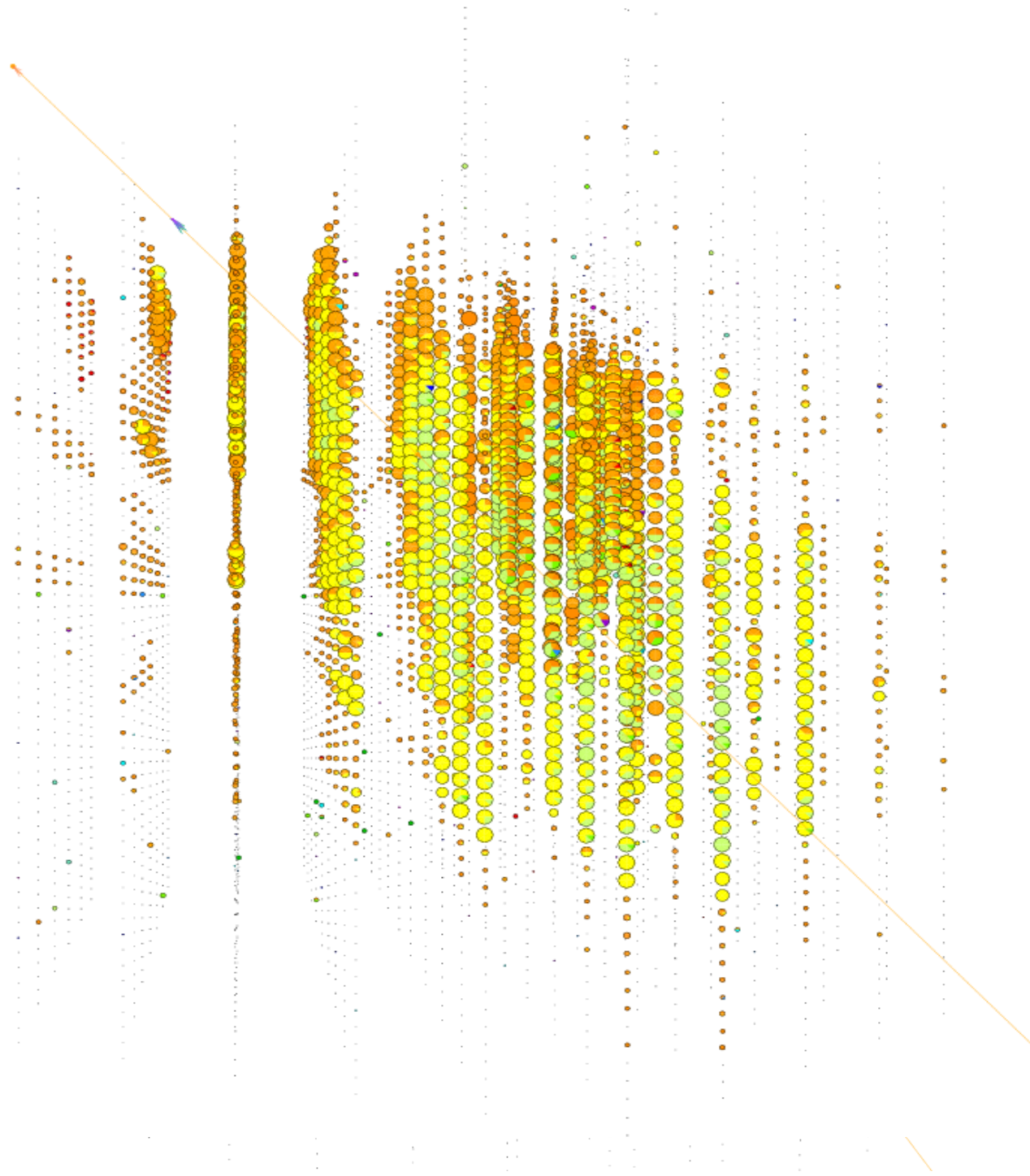
$$J_N^{\text{min}}(E_N) = \sum_i f_i(A_i E_N) A_i^2 J_{\text{CR}}(A_i E_N)$$



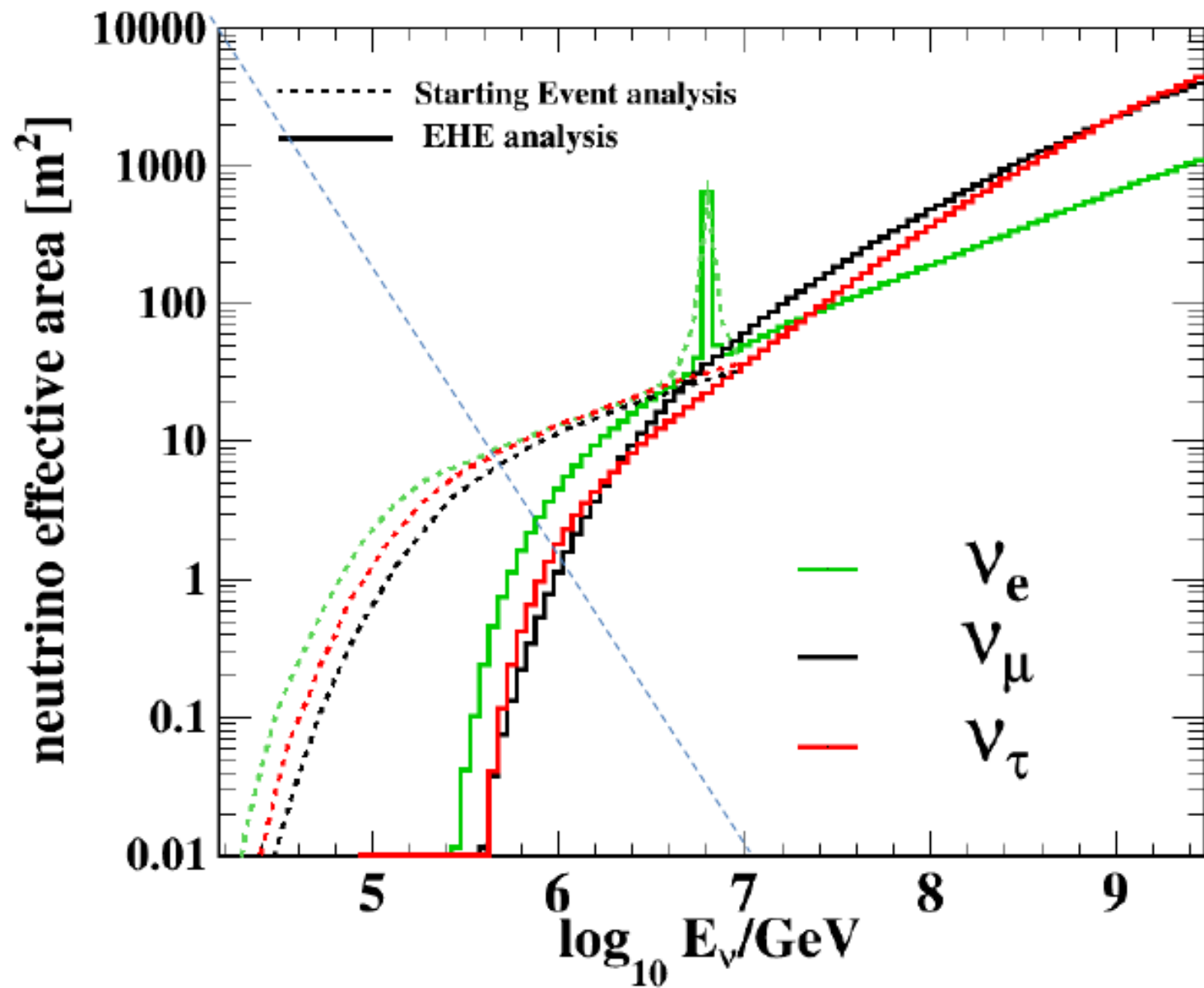
[MA&Halzen'12]



GZK
AMANDA
&
IceCube



Area \times ν flux \times 4π \times livetime = event rate

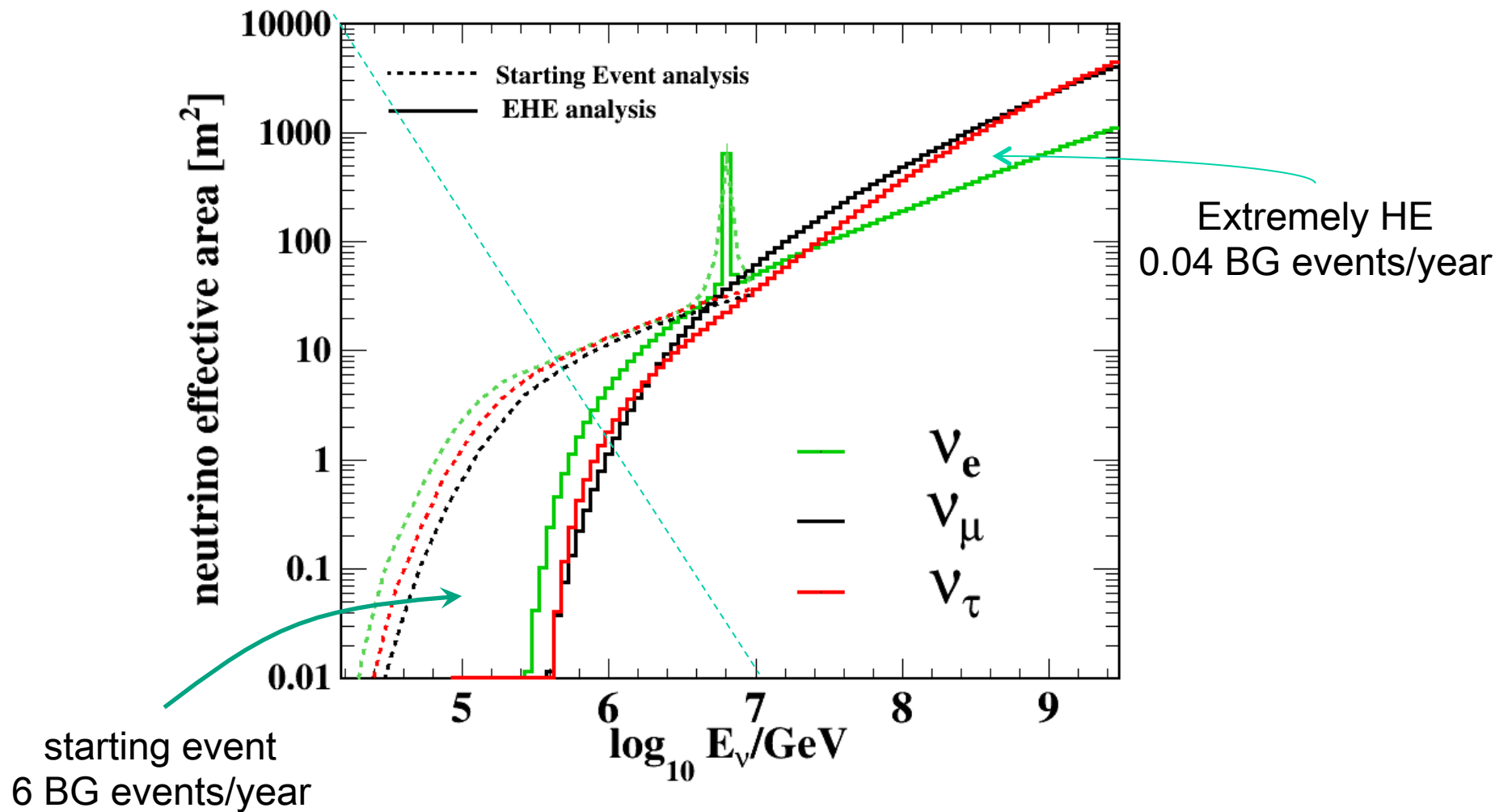


effective area in m^2

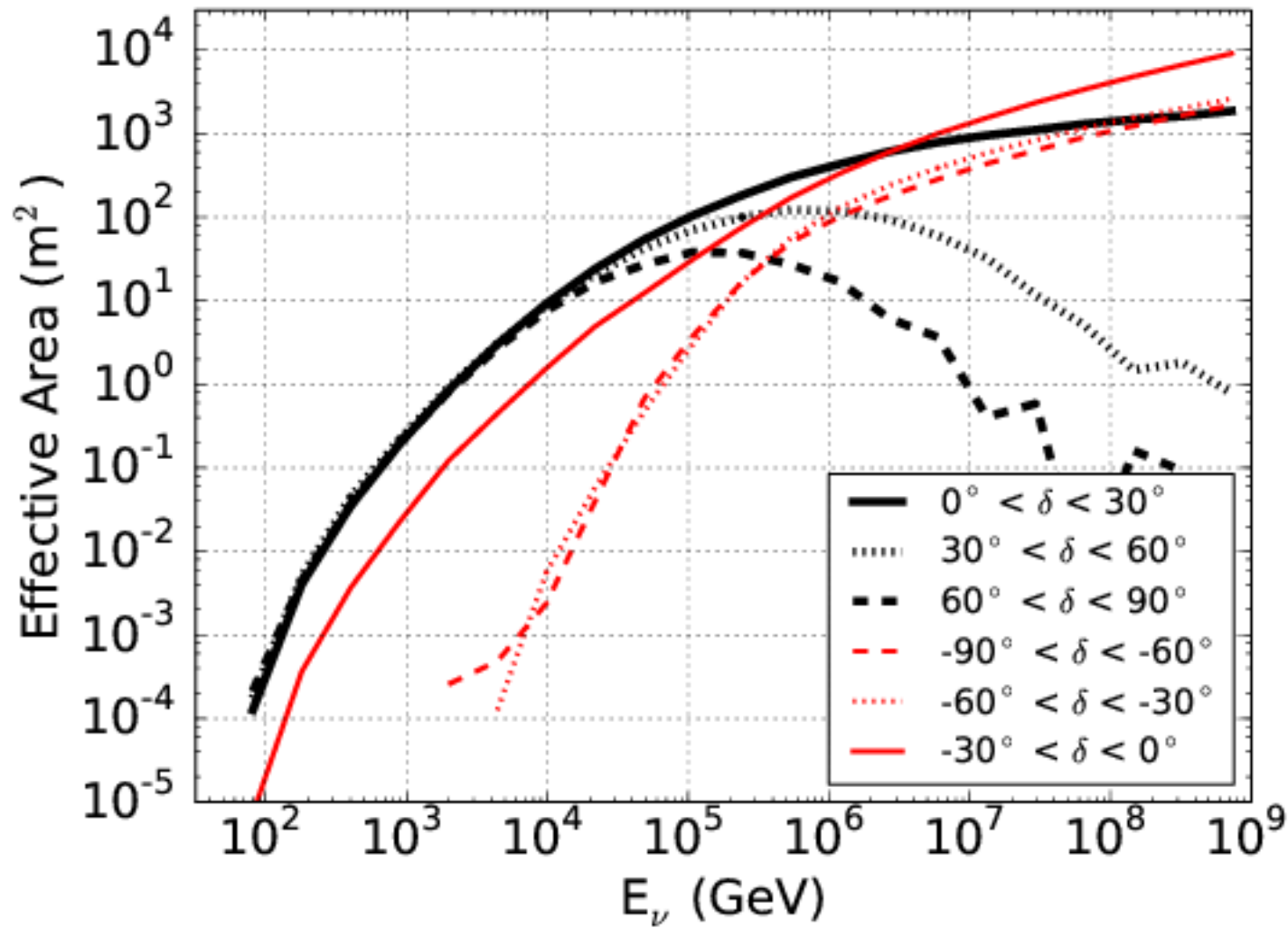
	10 TeV	100 TeV	10 PeV	1 EeV
IC through mu	10	10^2	10^3	10^3
IC starting		1	30	
IC GZK			30	4×10^3
ARA			10	10^4
NTA 4		10	10^4	10^5

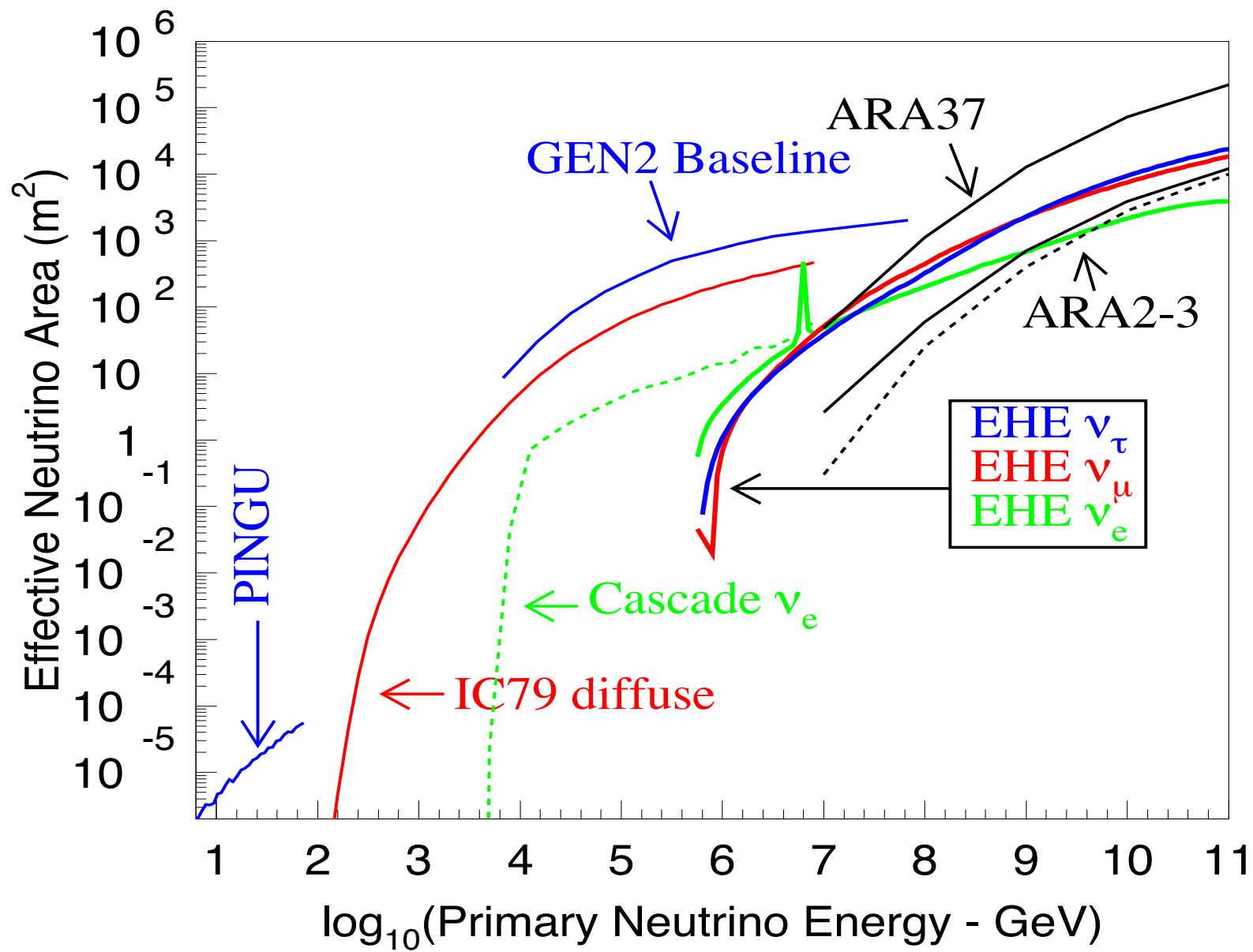
IceCube GZK effective area

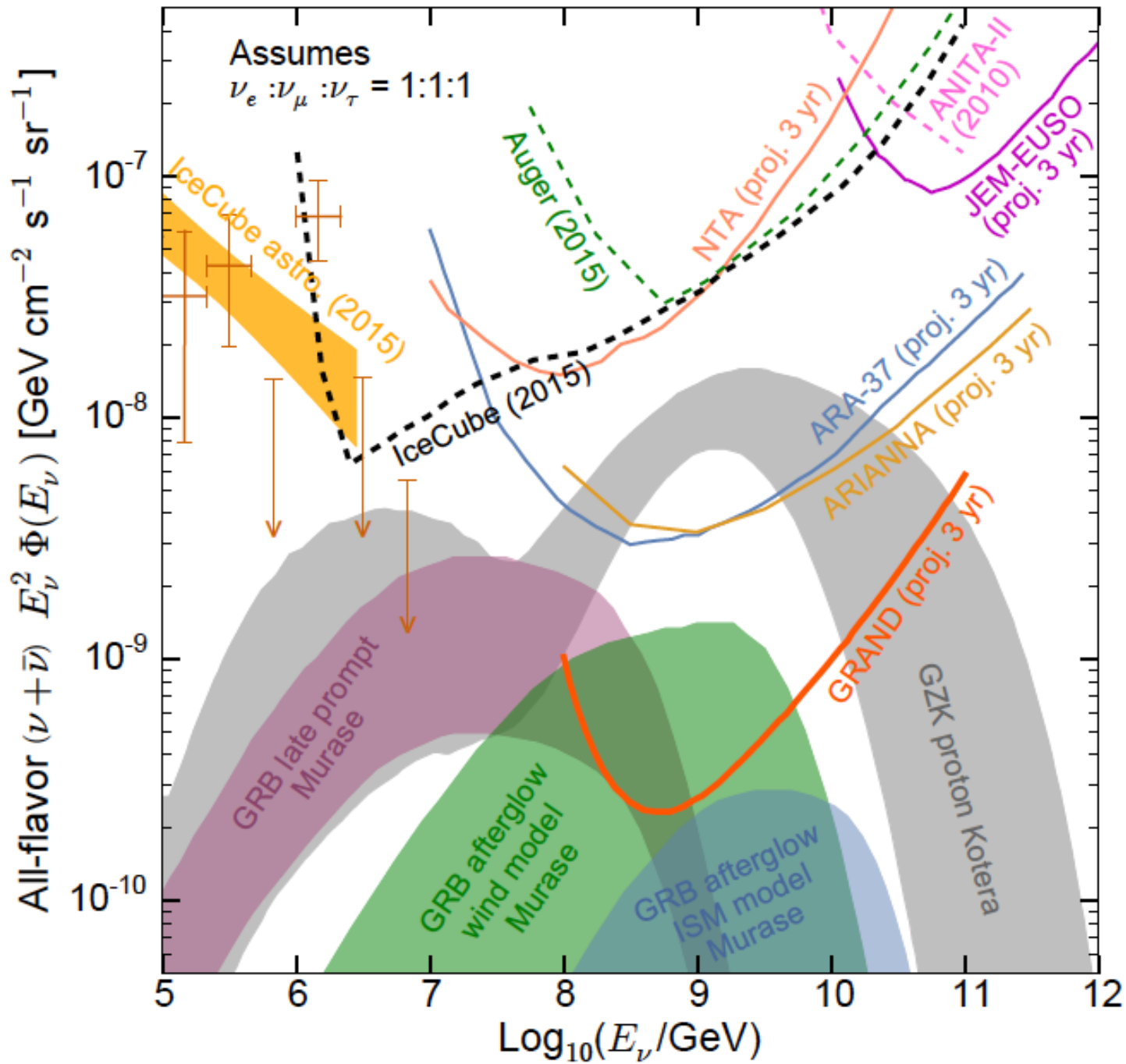
$$\text{Area} \times \nu \text{ flux} \times 4\pi \times \text{lifetime} = \text{event rate}$$



effective area upgoing muons





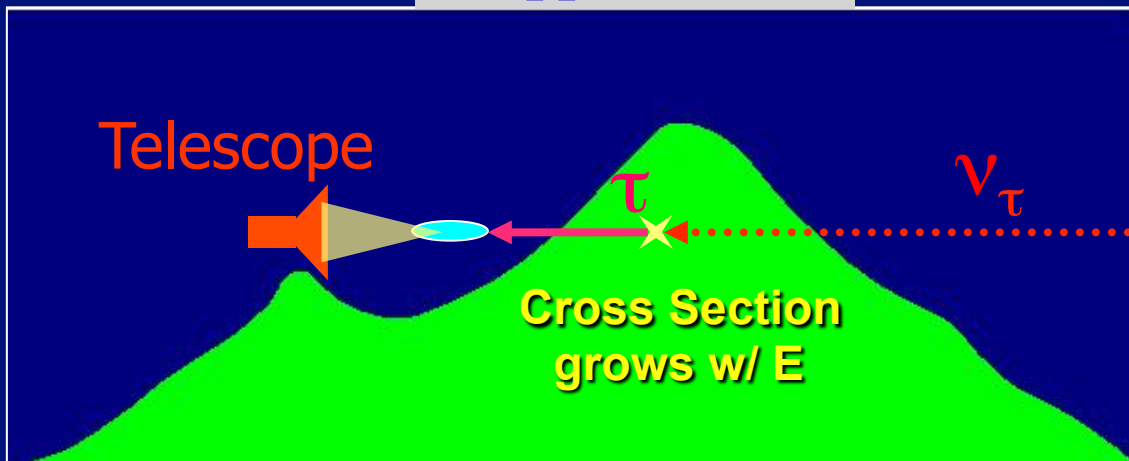


Detection Mechanism

II. Earth-Skimming ν_τ Method

τ Appearance!

$\theta_{23} \sim \text{max. mix.}$



τ Decay: Air Shower
→ ns Cherenkov

ν_e : electron energy mostly absorbed in mountain
 ν_μ : no extensive air shower

3/22/2003

George W.S. Hou @ VHEPA-3

"My" NuTel Effort
nu tel

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Acceptance: Air & Tau vs Water & Muon

1. We use the ν_τ distribution from CTEQ4 [14], inelasticity parameter from [13], and parameterize energy loss in Earth by [12, 15].
2. We use τ decay from TAUOLA and air-shower generation of Gaisser-Hillas + NKG [16].
3. For detector simulation, we incorporate light collection and throughput with simplified triggering logic. Event reconstruction is not yet implemented.

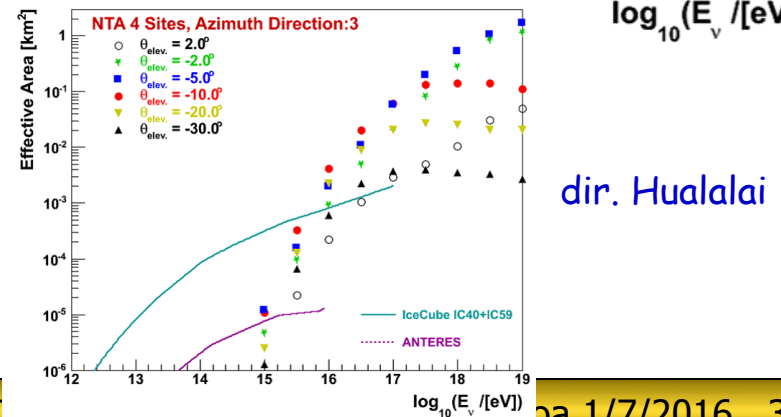
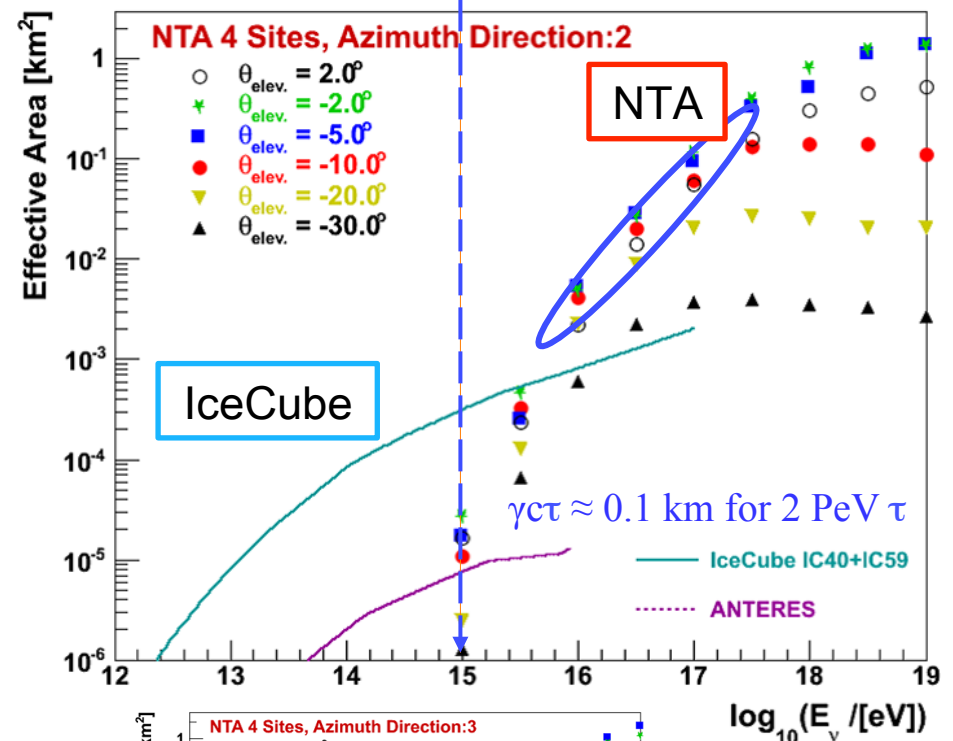
Assumed FOV

LC: $32^\circ \times 32^\circ$
 Trigger Pixel: $0.5^\circ \times 0.5^\circ$
 Sensor Pixel: $0.125^\circ \times 0.125^\circ$

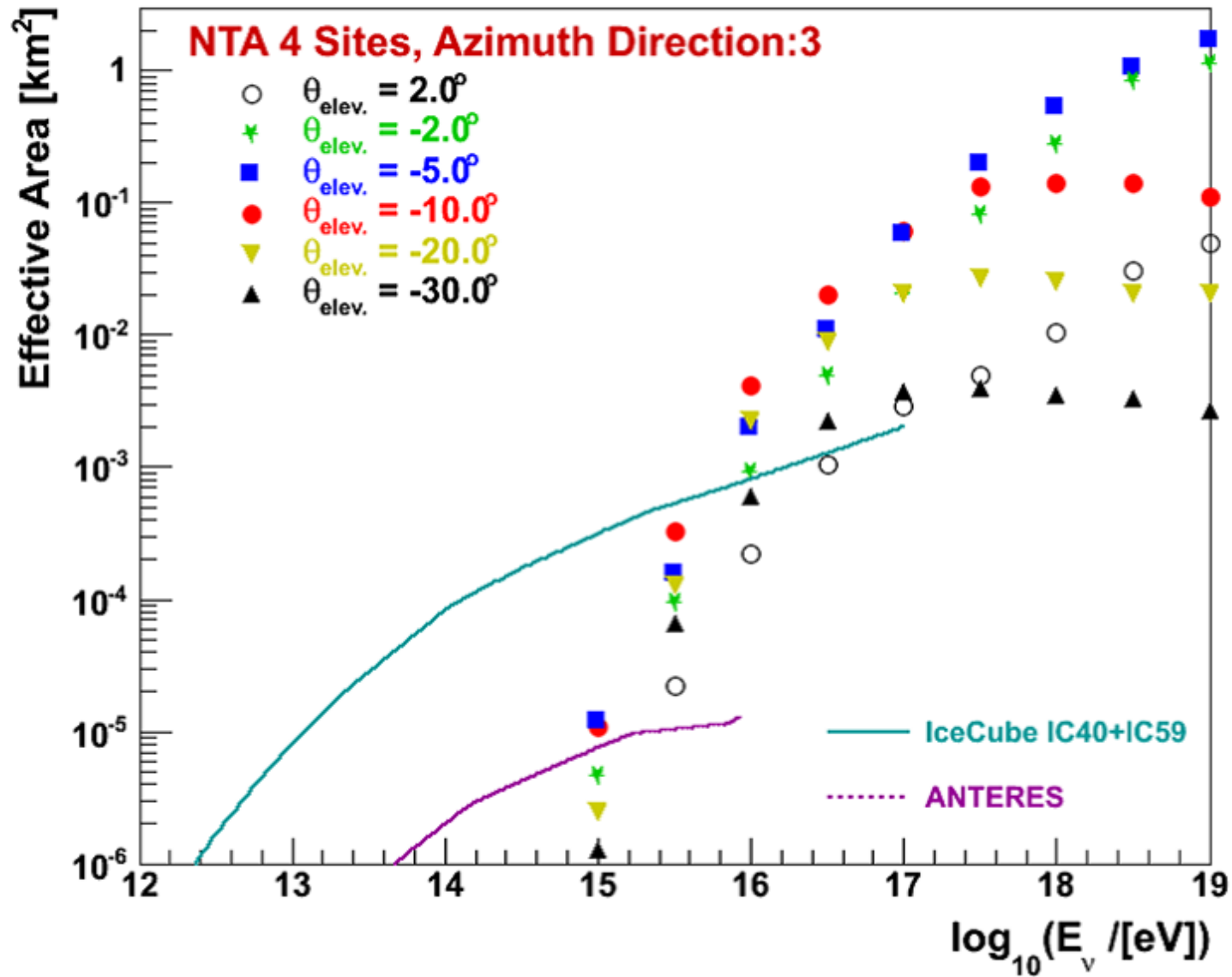
trigger conditions:

- Number of detected photoelectrons per LC > 61 .
- S/N estimated in track-associated 4 pixels \times 64 pixels box (air-shower track included) > 4 [17].

Point source, arrival dir. Mauna Loa



dir. Hualalai



Window of Opportunity

Still Survives

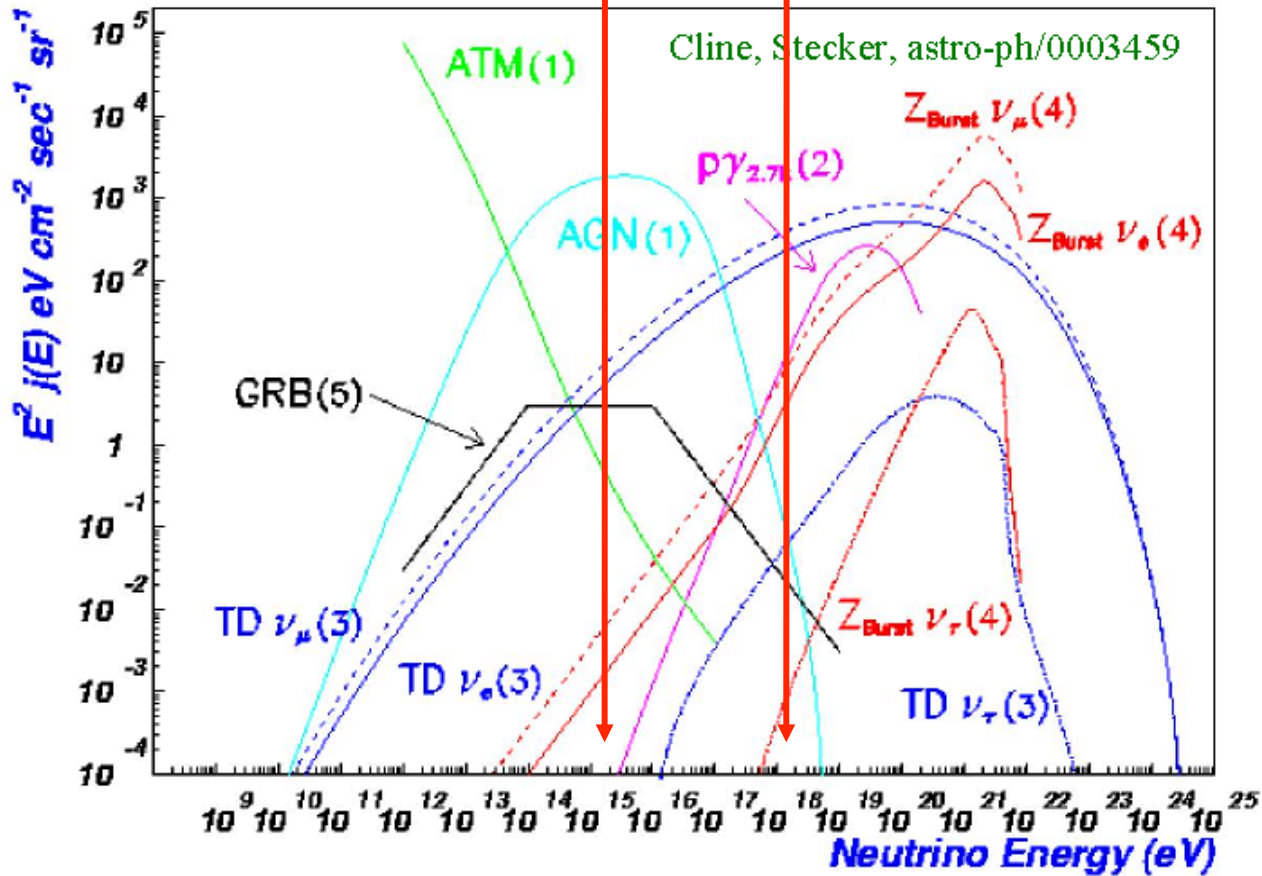
IceCube

Conventional ν Detector

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UHECR ν Detector

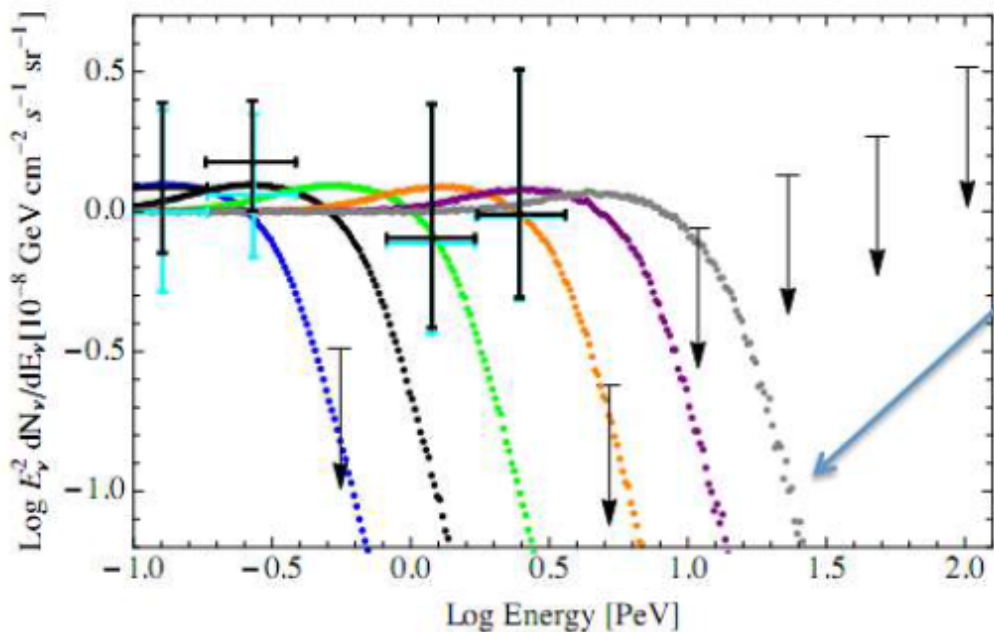
Auger



a plot I first used ~ 2002

Lorentz violation

Existence of high energy neutrinos limits on superluminal velocity:



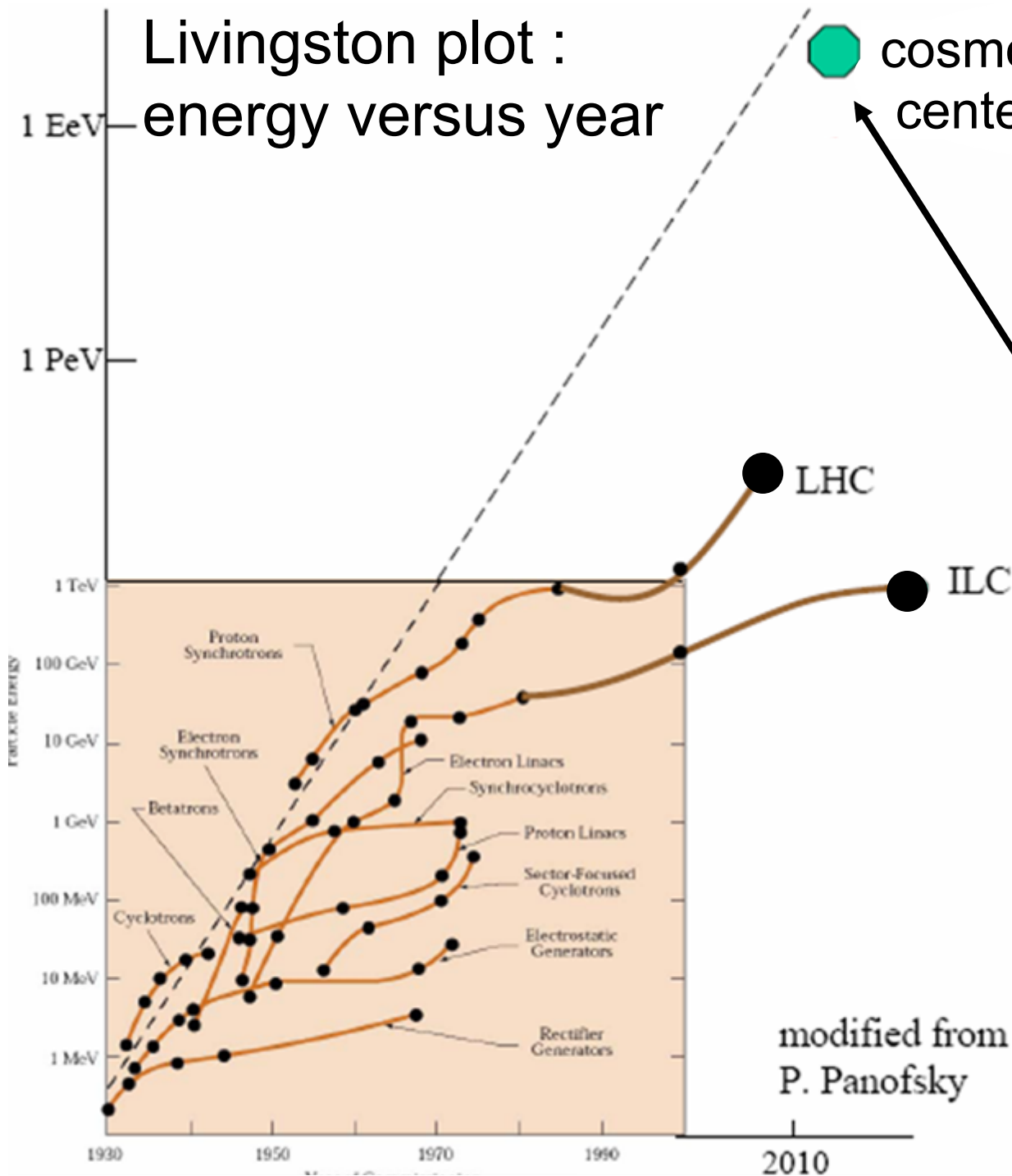
$$\delta_\nu - \delta_e < 5.2 \times 10^{-21}$$

Pair-production threshold of 10 PeV
required for consistency with IceCube

Reason for cut-off could be vacuum pair emission (astrophysics more likely ...)

improved test with every new record event

Livingston plot :
energy versus year



cosmogenic neutrino beam
center-of-mass > 100 TeV

- ~ 1 event per year
in IceCube,
Auger

- radio/acoustic
domain

→ Askaryan array
→ Arianna array