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Some works on the subject:

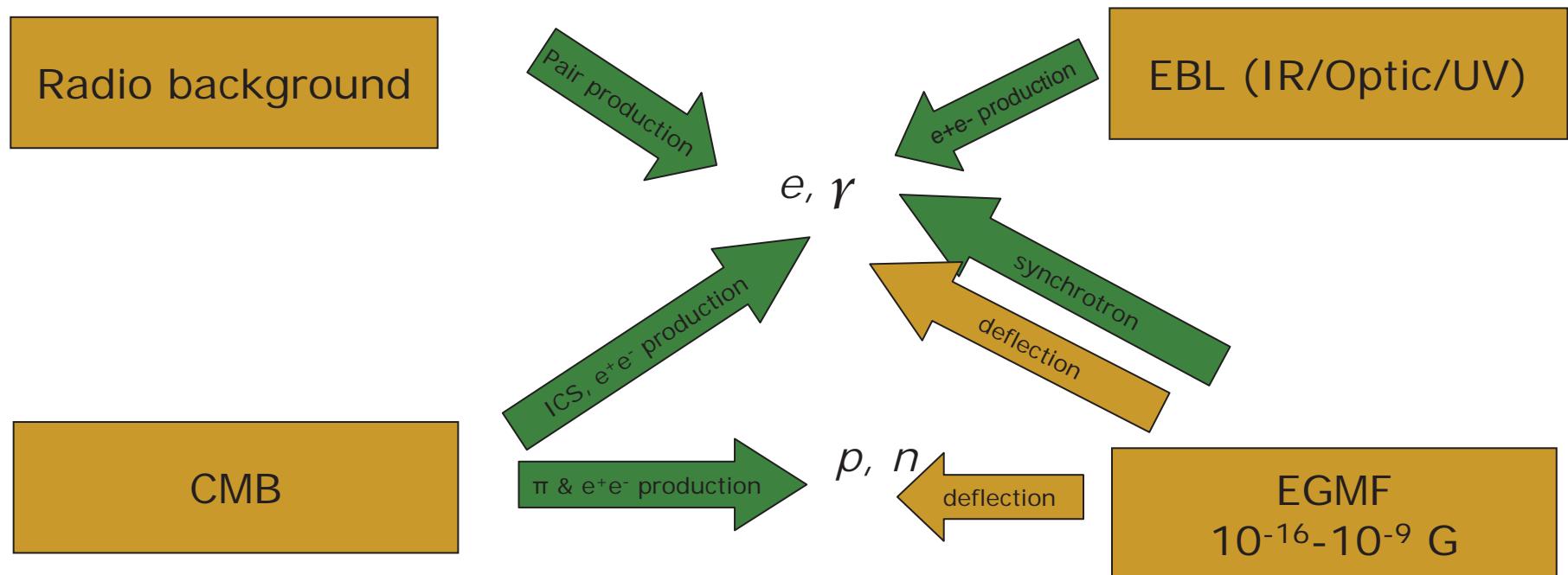
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- V. Berezinsky, A. Gazizov, M. Kachelriess and S. Ostapchenko, *Phys. Lett. B* 695, 13 (2011) [[arXiv:1003.1496 \[astro-ph.HE\]](#)]
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Restricting cosmogenic neutrino fluxes with Fermi 2.5 years data

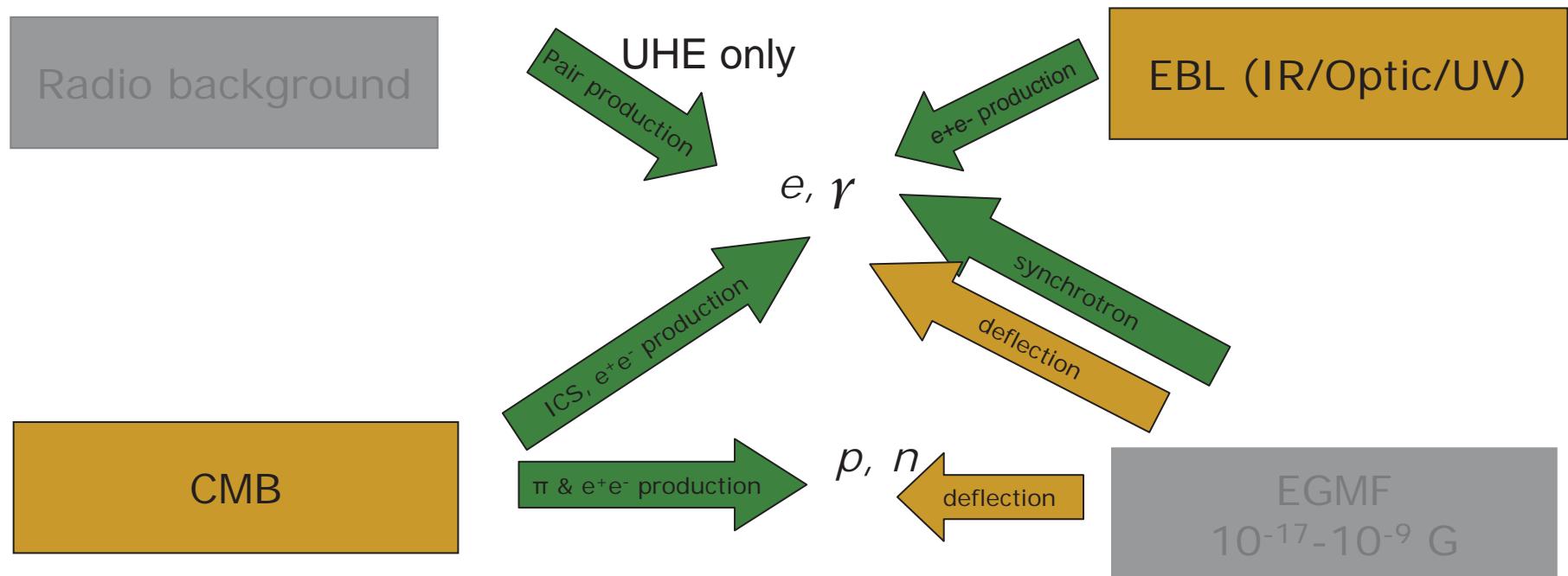
Overview

- Propagation of Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays (UHECR)
- Fitting HiRes spectrum by models with proton primaries
- Secondary photons and limit on the diffuse gamma ray flux from FERMI LAT
- Secondary neutrino fluxes
- Conclusion

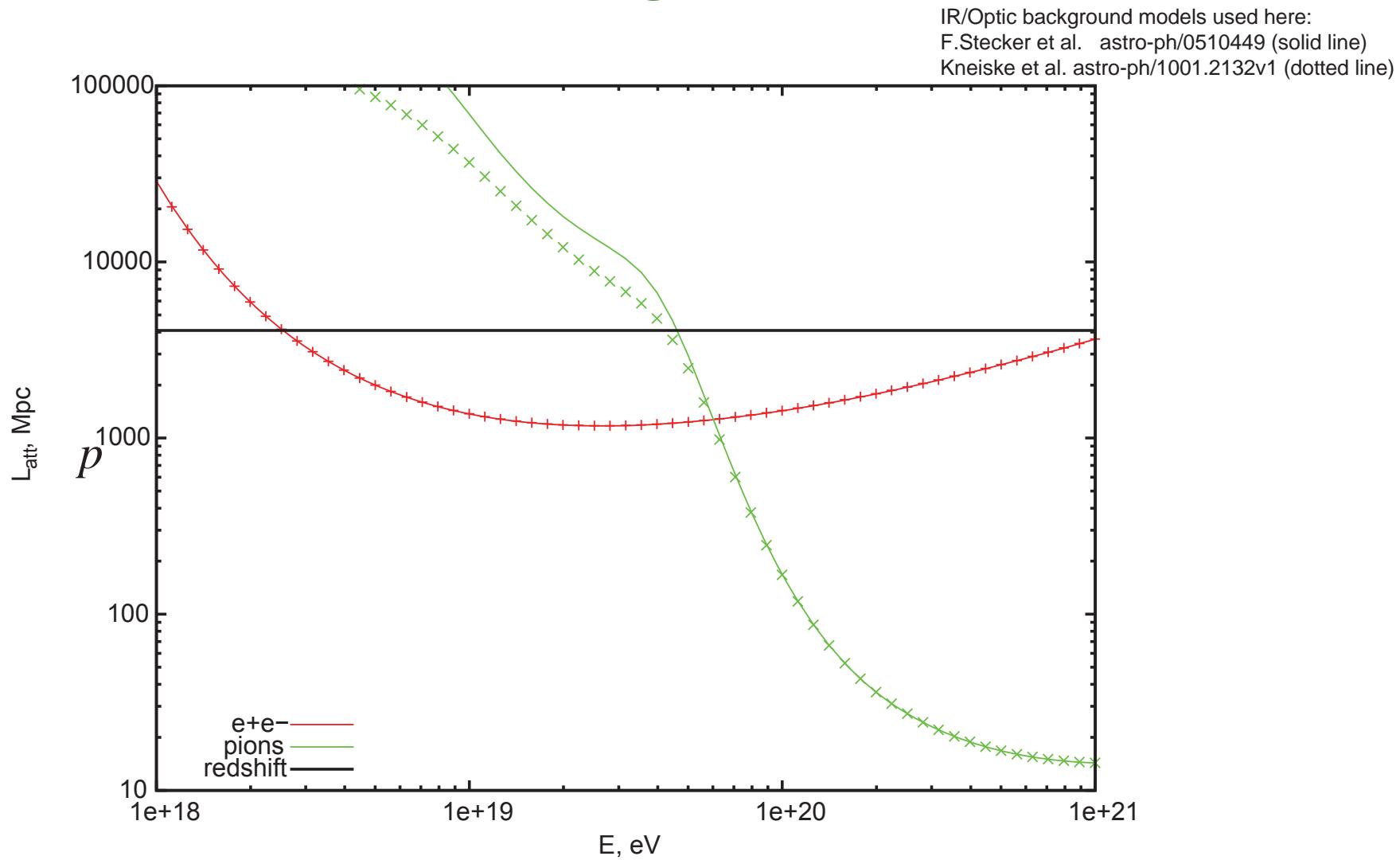
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Attenuation lengths



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Simulations of cosmic rays propagation

- Monte Carlo based simulations
 - Random extragalactic magnetic field is taken into account
- Transport equation approach (rectilinear propagation)
 - Fast calculation (good for parameter space scanning)
 - Gives reasonable result for homogeneous source distribution with density $n \geq 10^{-4} Mpc^{-3}$ for energies

$$E \geq 10^{18} eV \times Z \times \frac{B}{10^{-10} G}, \quad L_{cor} = 1 Mpc$$

Fitting experimental data

■ Energy spectrum $j(E)$

- Binned maximum likelihood function is used
- Poisson probability of the observed event set is maximized

$$L(\mathbf{n}; \boldsymbol{\nu}) = \prod_i^N \frac{\nu_i^{n_i}}{n_i!} e^{\nu_i}$$

- Goodness of fit defined as fraction of hypothetical experiments which result in worse agreement with the theory than the real data having the same total number of events

Phenomenological source model:

$$F(E, z) = \Phi(E) S(z); \Phi(E) = f E^{-\alpha} \text{Exp}(-E/E_{max}) \text{Exp}(-E_{min}/E)$$

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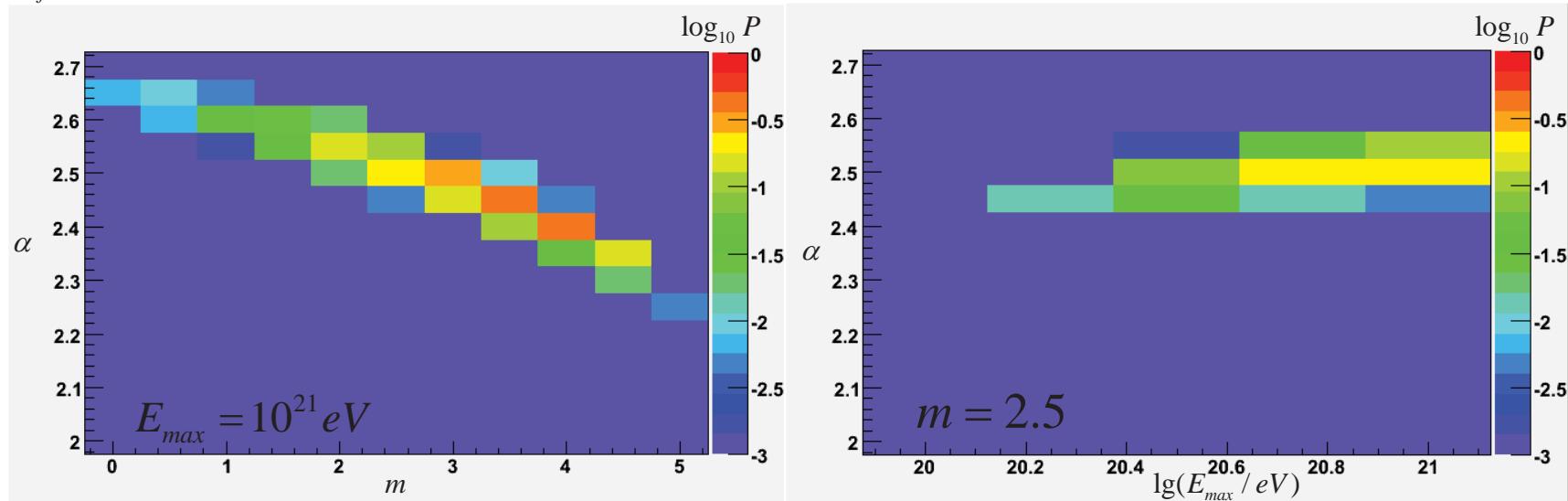
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Parameter	Name	Typical Values
Power of the Injection Spectrum, $E^{-\alpha}$	α	$2 \leq \alpha \leq 2.7$
End point of the Energy Spectrum	E_{\max}	$10^{20} \leq E_{\max}/\text{eV} \leq 10^{21}$
Evolution factor: $(1+z)^{3+m}$	m	$0 \leq m \leq 5$
Red shift of the nearest source	z_{\min}	$0 < Z_{\min} < 0.01$
Maximal source redshift	z_{\max}	$Z_{\max} = 2$
Minimal injection spectrum energy	E_{\min}	10^{17} eV

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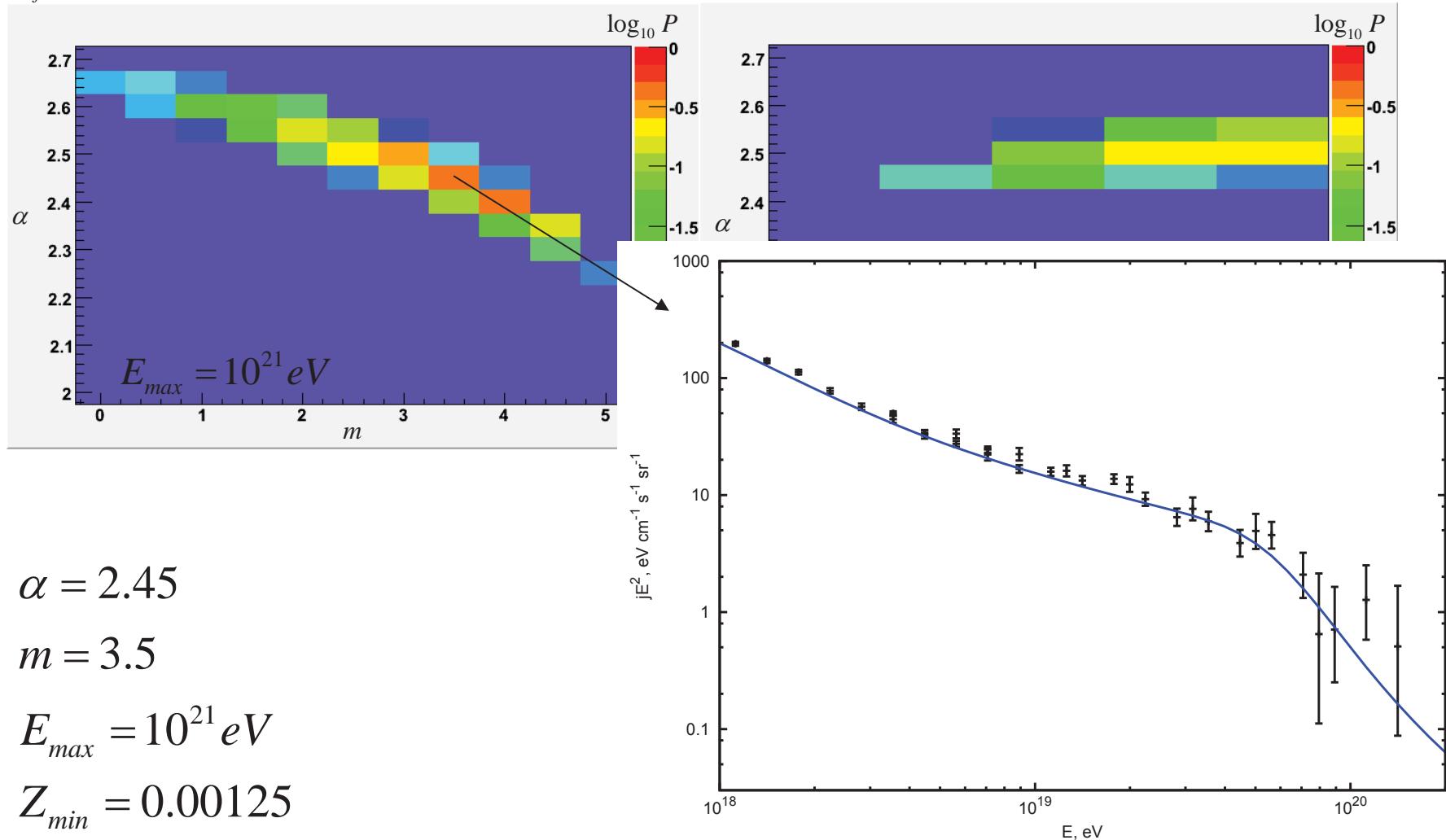
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HiRes Spectrum fit example

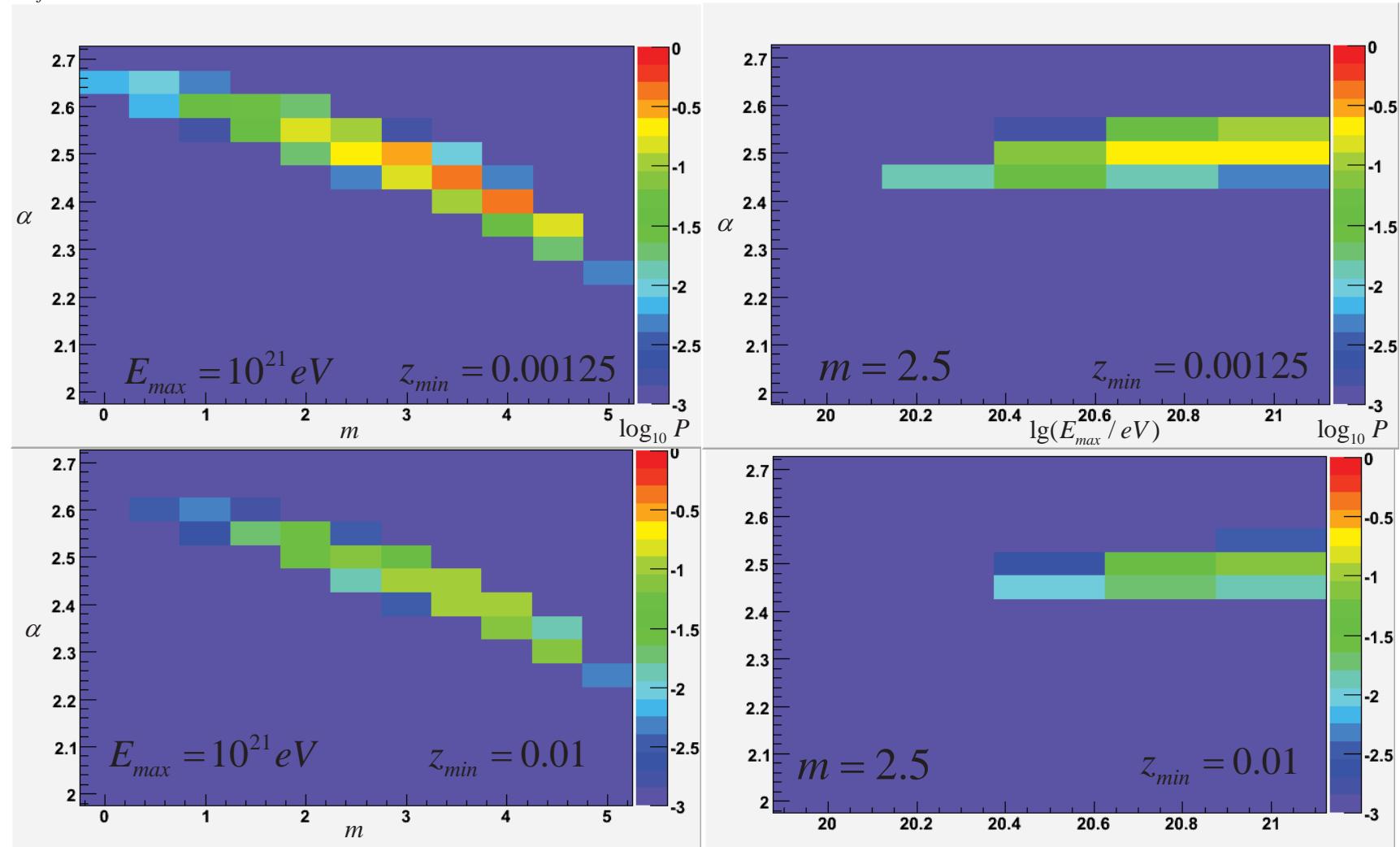
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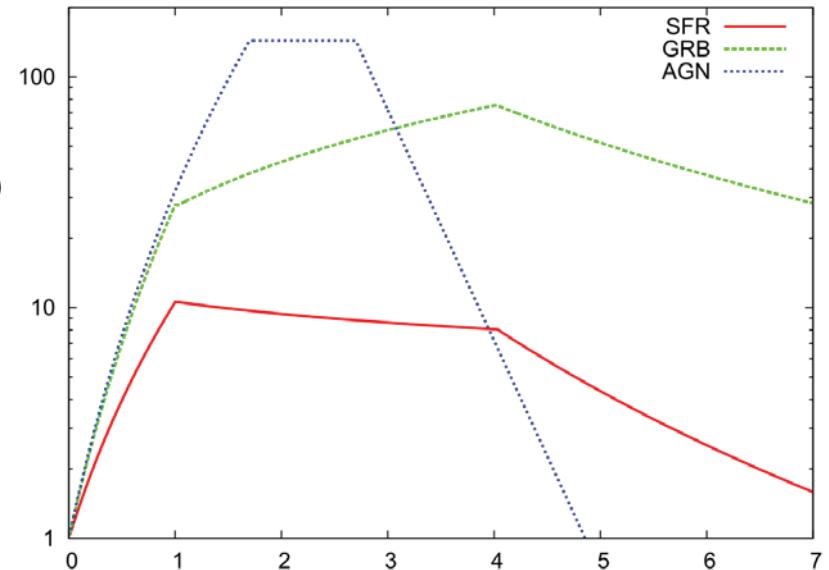
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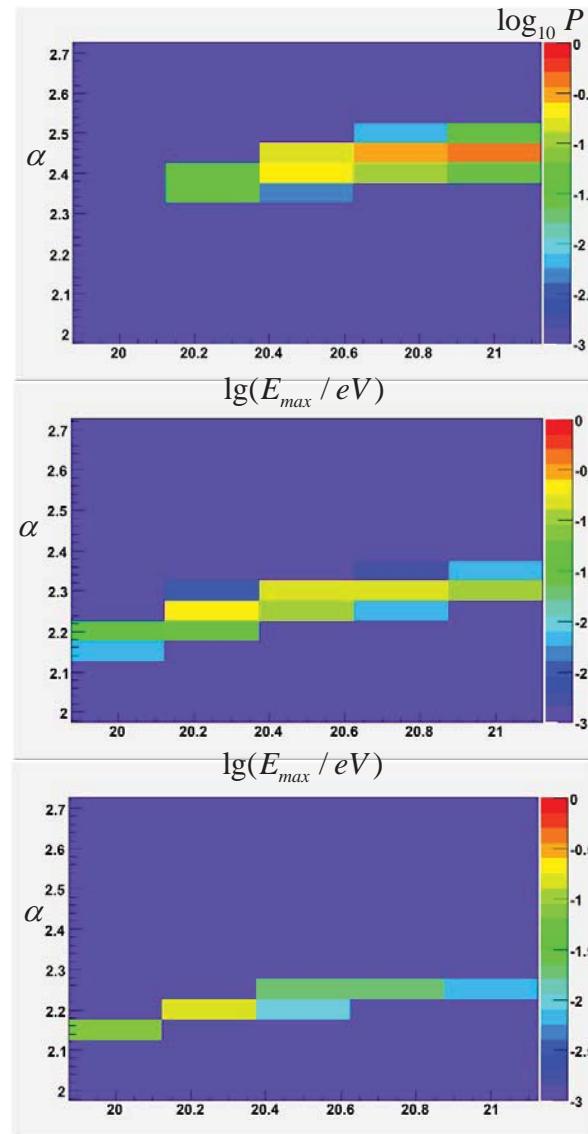
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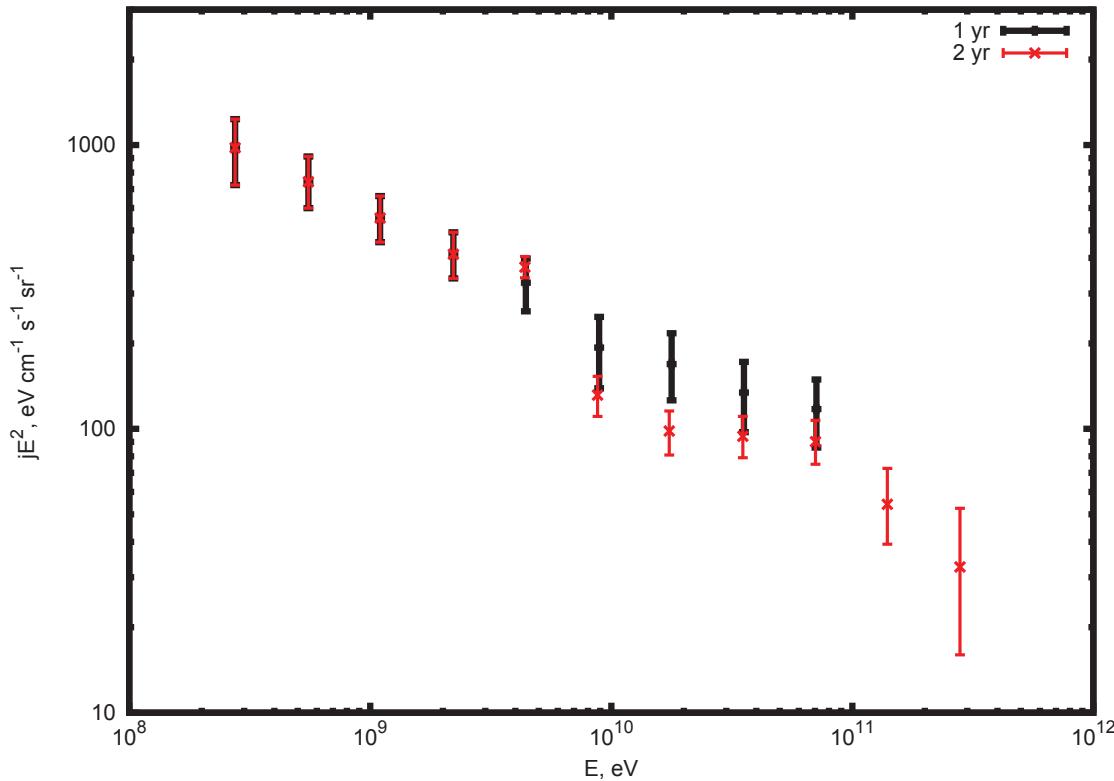
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11 June 2008

Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope

The Spectrum of the Isotropic Diffuse Gamma-Ray Emission



1 year data based bound:
Fermi collaboration
Phys.Rev.Lett. 104:101101, 2010

2.5 years data based bound:
A.Neronov, D.V.Semikoz 2011

Interactions

■ Protons ,neutrons and nuclei

Pion production

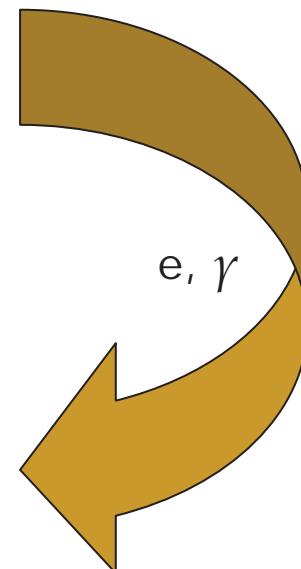
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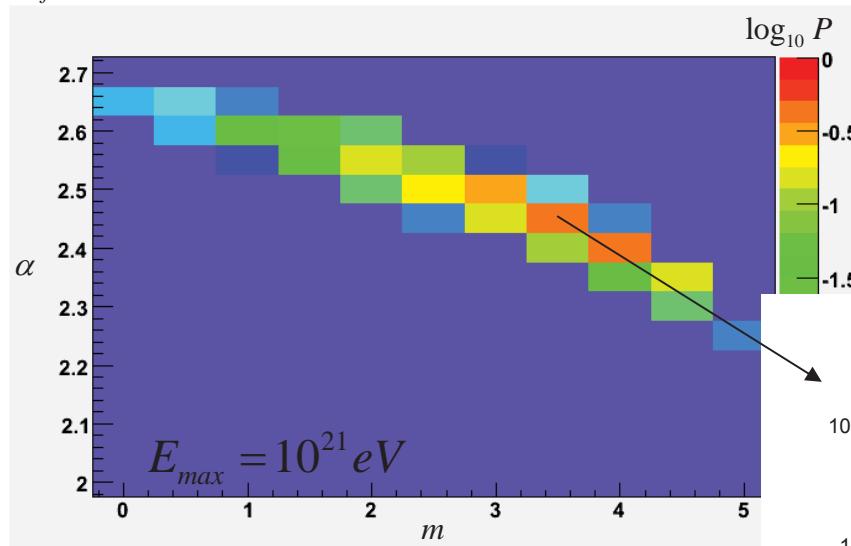
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Previous example fit with interaction products included

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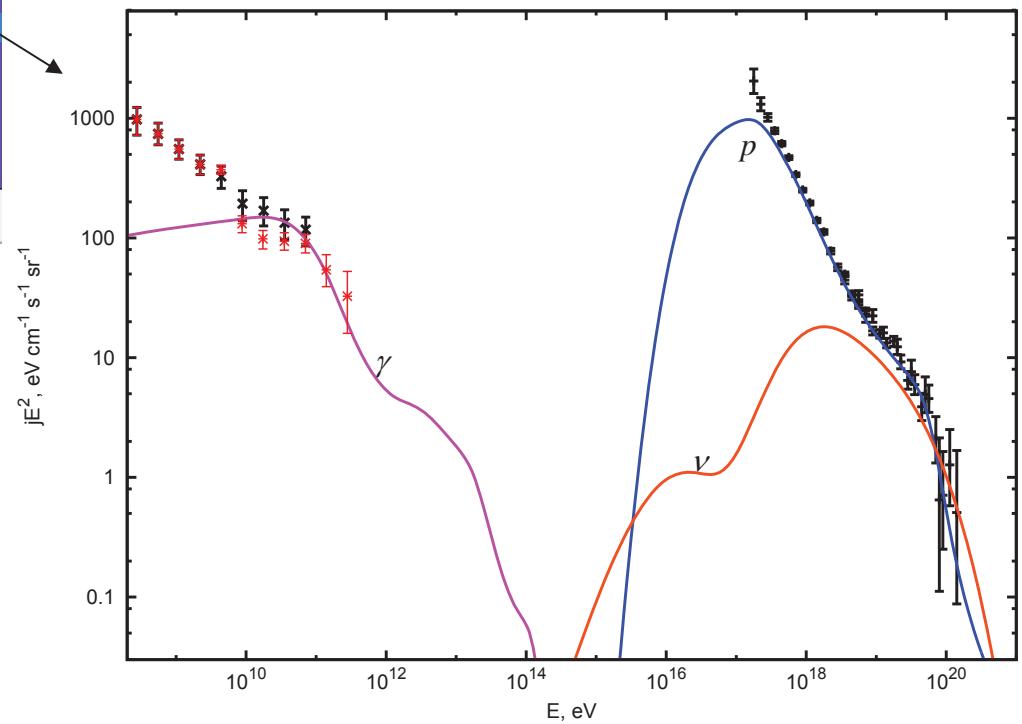


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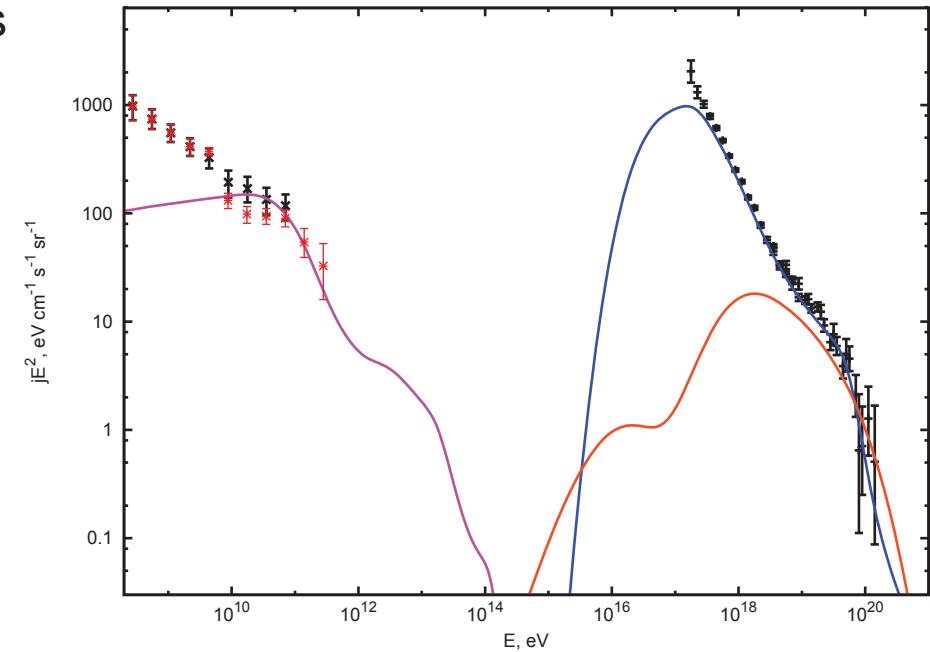
Fitting of the UHECR spectrum with Fermi bound imposed on secondary photon flux

χ^2 statistics is used to obtain goodness of joint fit

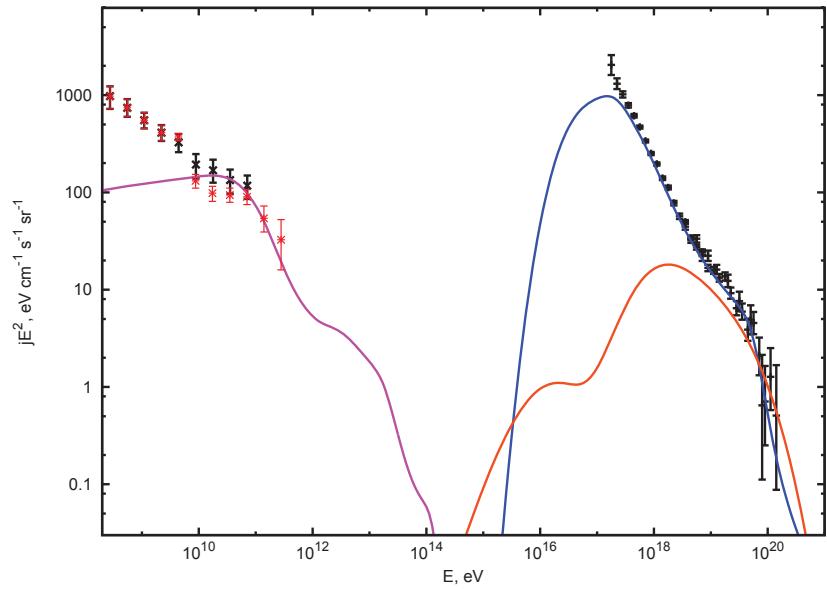
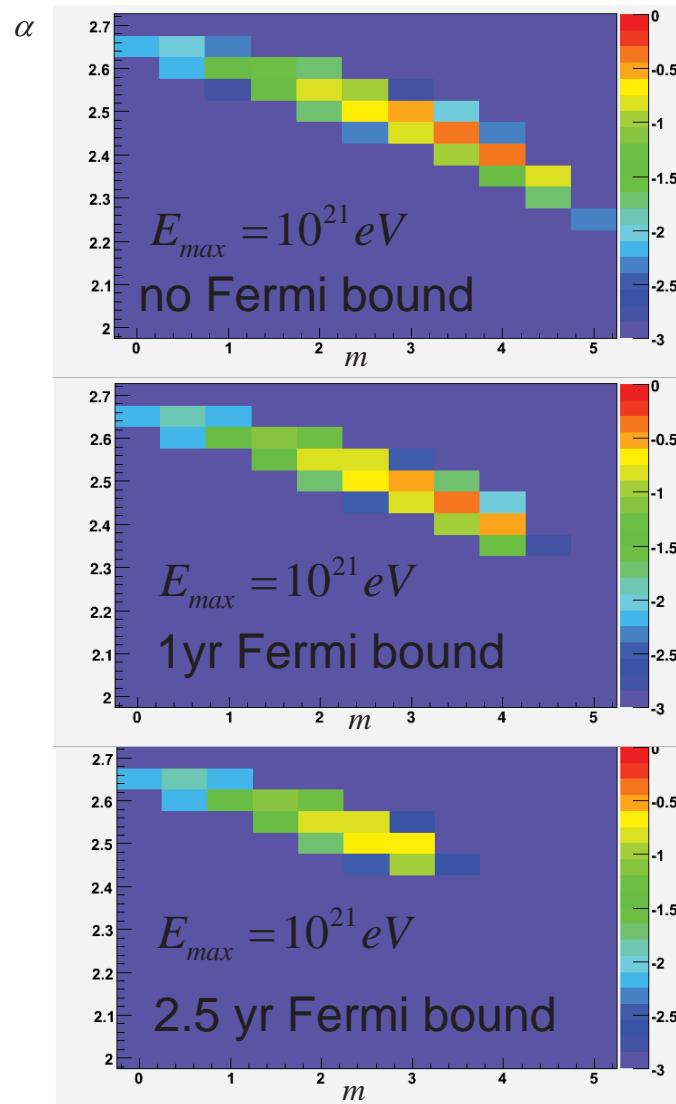
Bins with small number of events are combined into larger bins

For Fermi bound only bins with photon flux exceeding bound are included in χ^2

Goodness of spectrum fit in the bins with small number of events is calculated separately on base of Poisson statistics



Goodness of joint fit plots



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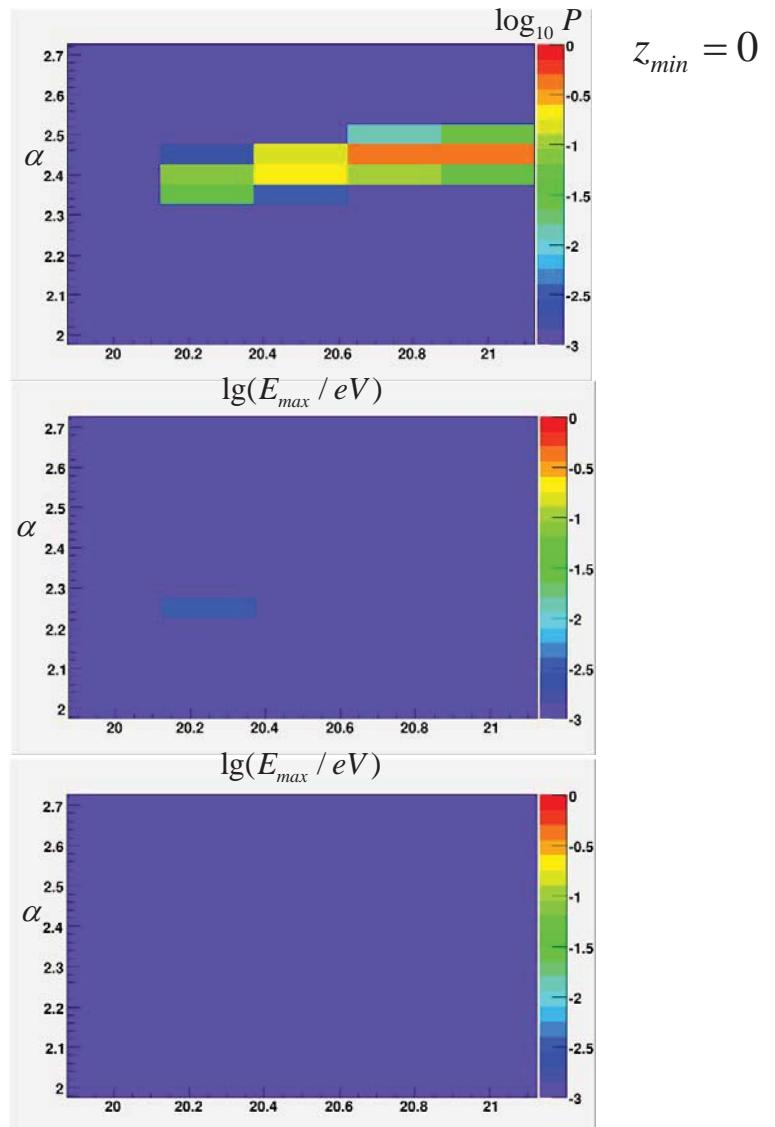
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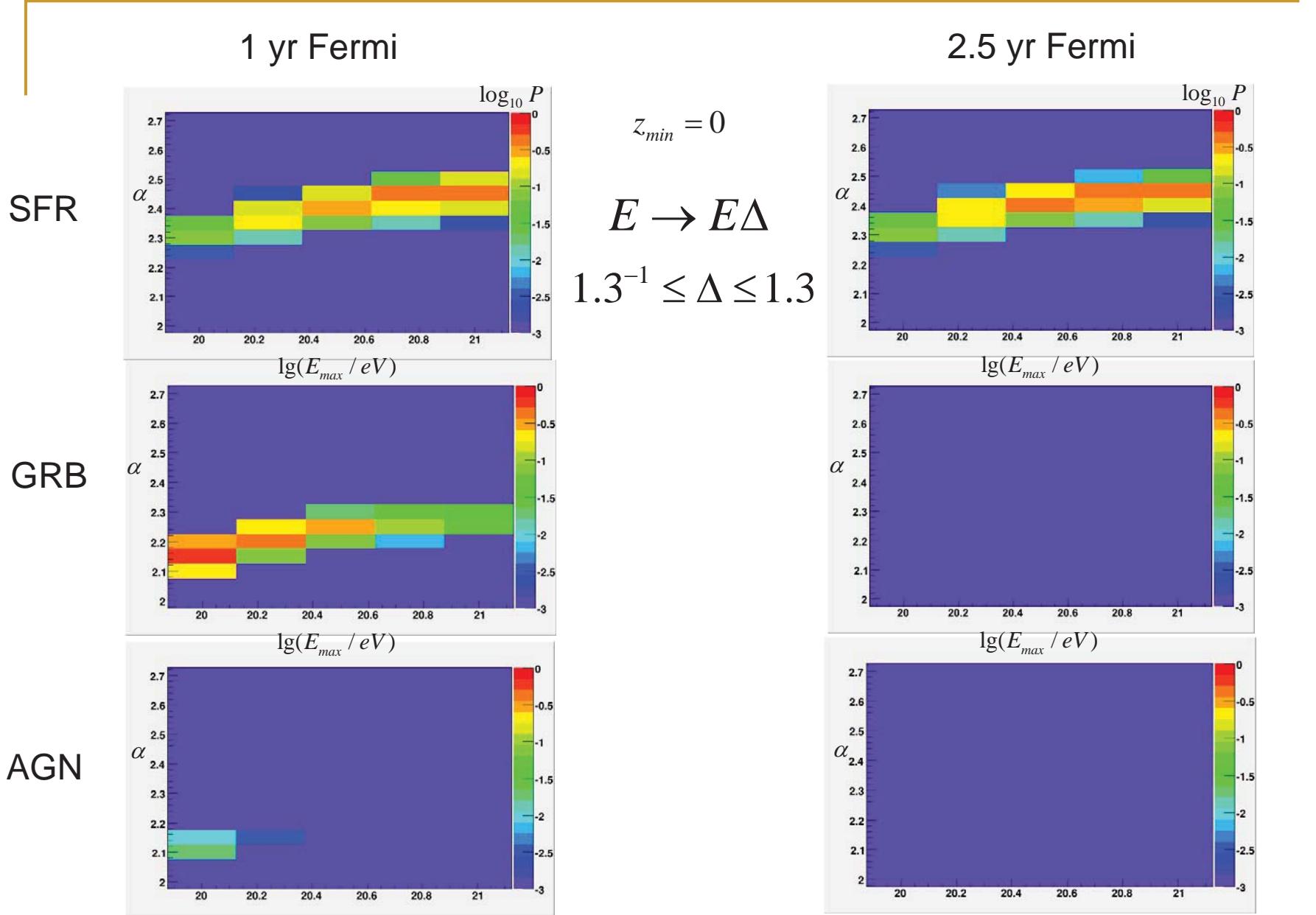
1 yr Fermi bound imposed



Energy scale shift as attempt to solve problem

Extra parameter: Δ -energy scale shift for UHECR data

$$E \rightarrow E\Delta \quad 1.3^{-1} \leq \Delta \leq 1.3$$

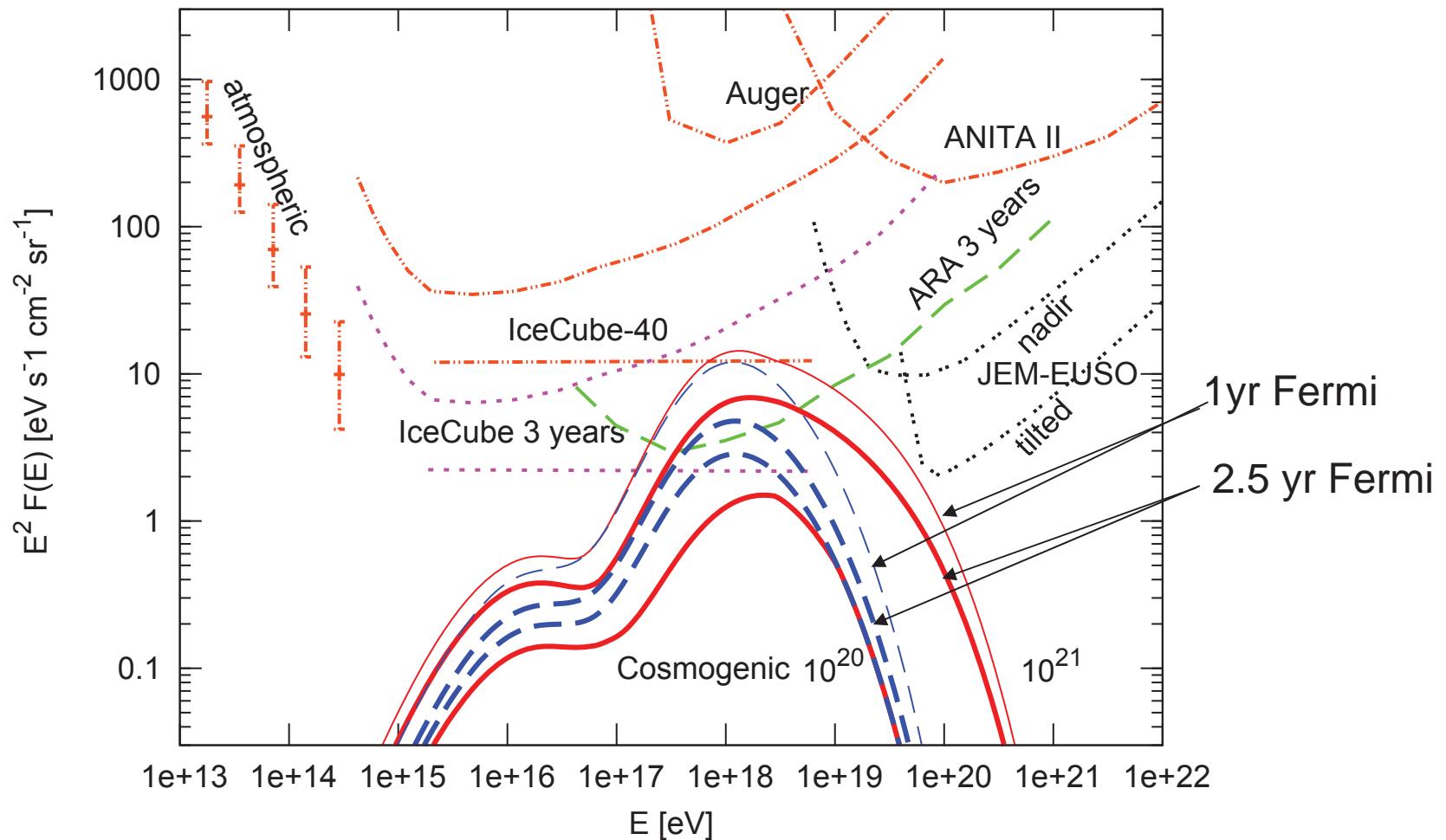


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95% CL secondary neutrino flux range calculation

- Using only models with goodness of fit $P>0.05$
- For each energy bin we find model predicting highest/lowest neutrino flux

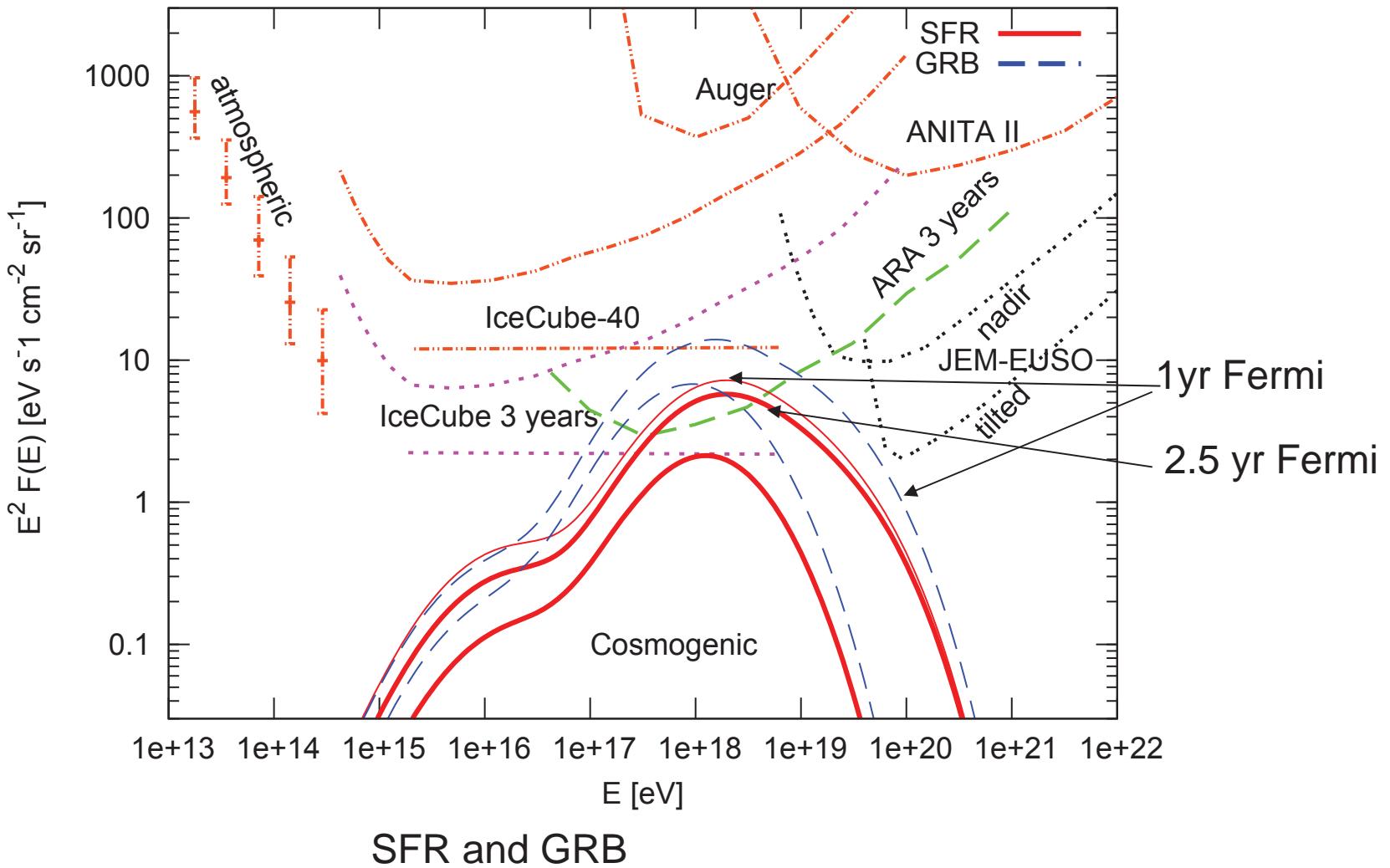
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Dependence on E_{\max} for models with evolution $S(z)=(1+z)^m$

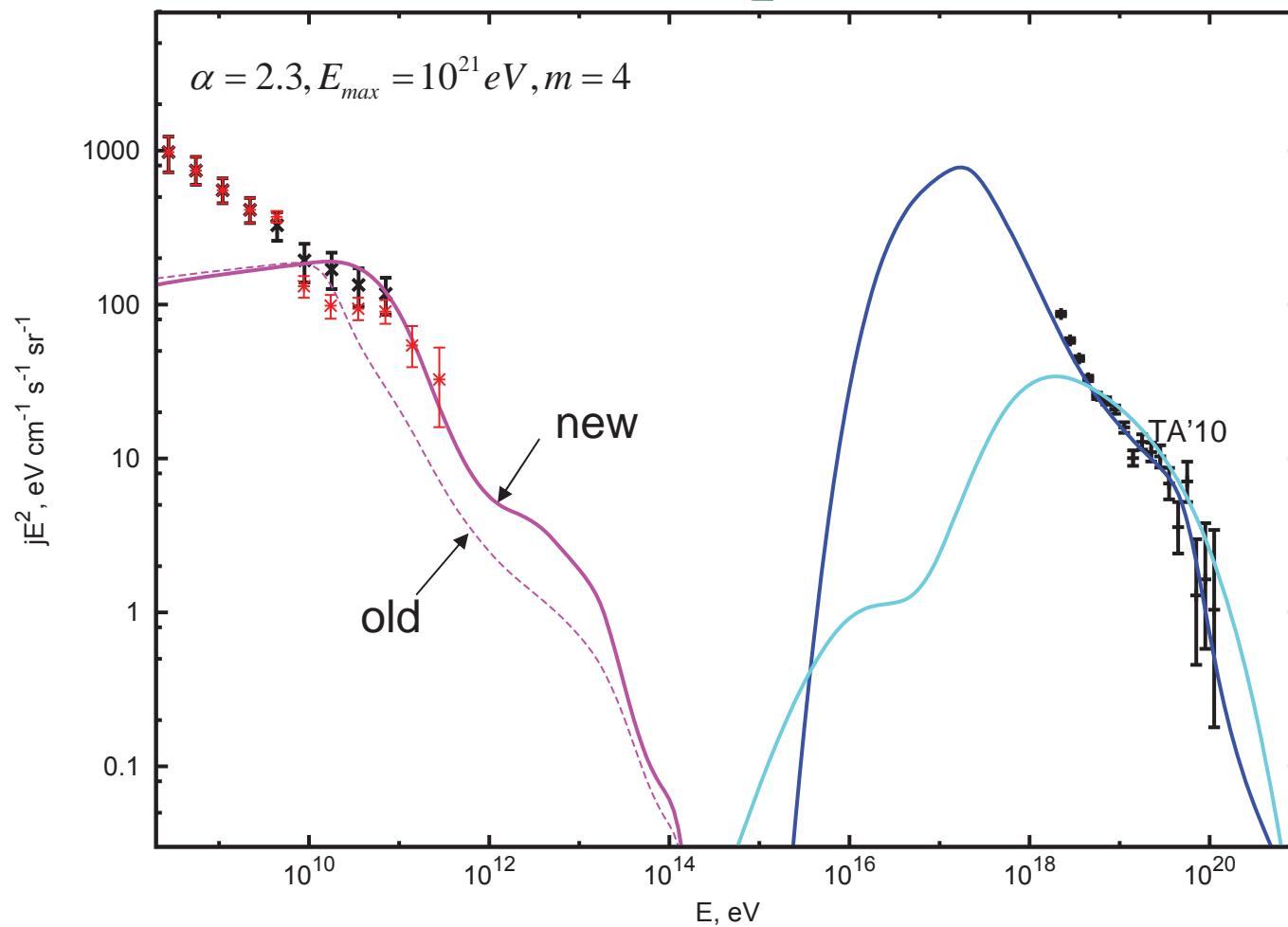
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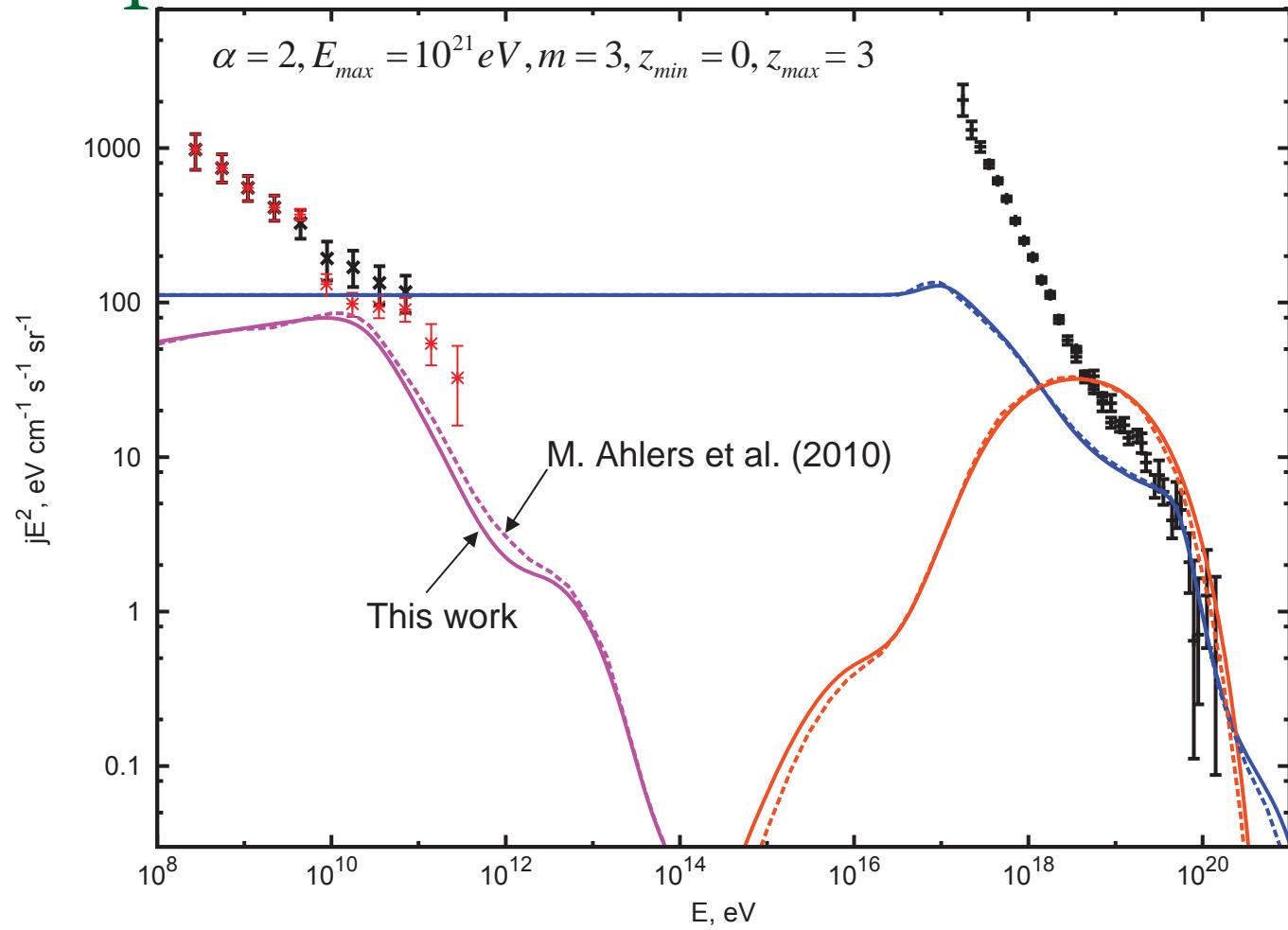
Photon diffuse flux dependence on EBL



IR/Optic background models used here:
Old: F.Stecker et al. astro-ph/0510449
New: Kneiske et al. astro-ph/1001.2132v1

Theoretical modeling of TA energy spectrum

Comparison with other simulation



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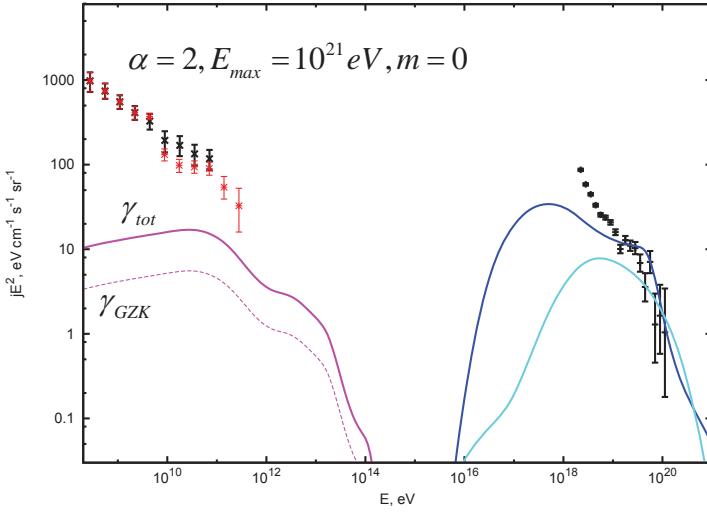
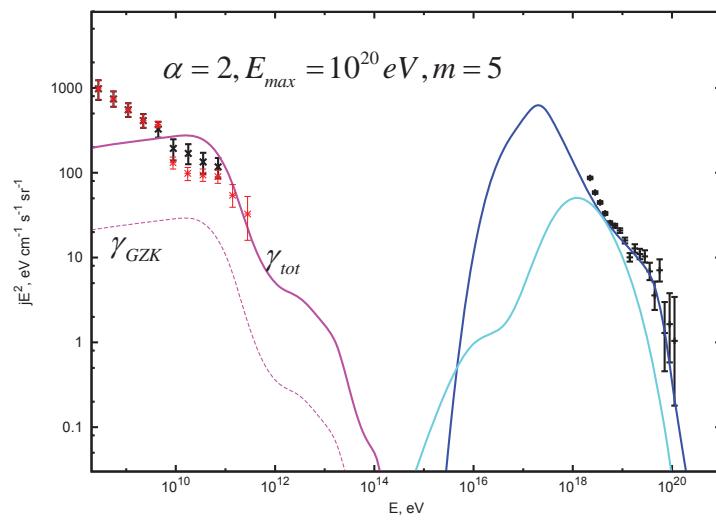
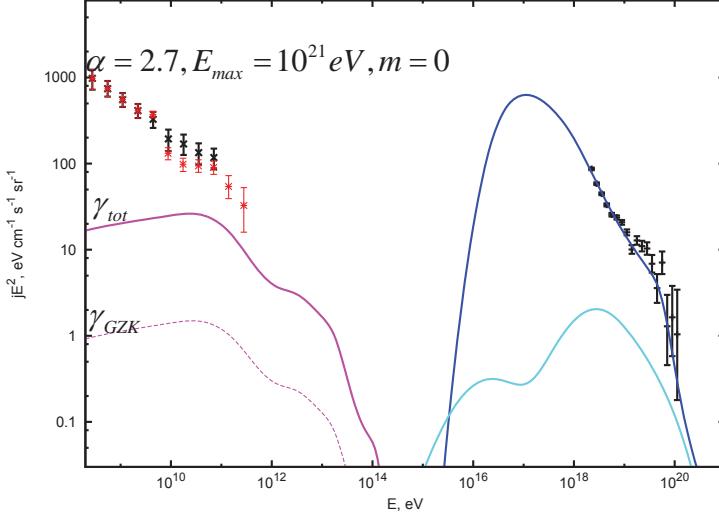
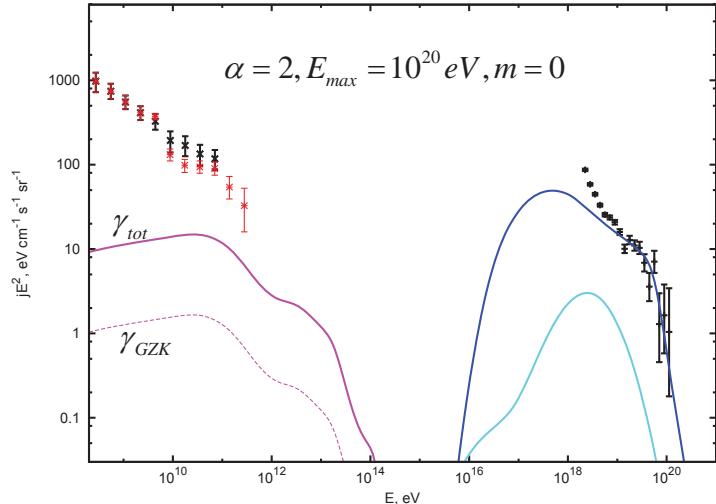
Conclusions

- Fermi LAT diffuse gamma ray flux limits begin to constrain possible set of allowed UHECR source models and cosmogenic neutrino fluxes
- Pure proton source models with strong evolution are disfavored.
- Problems with strongly evolving sources can be avoided if one assumes nuclei primaries or local source overdensity

Appendix

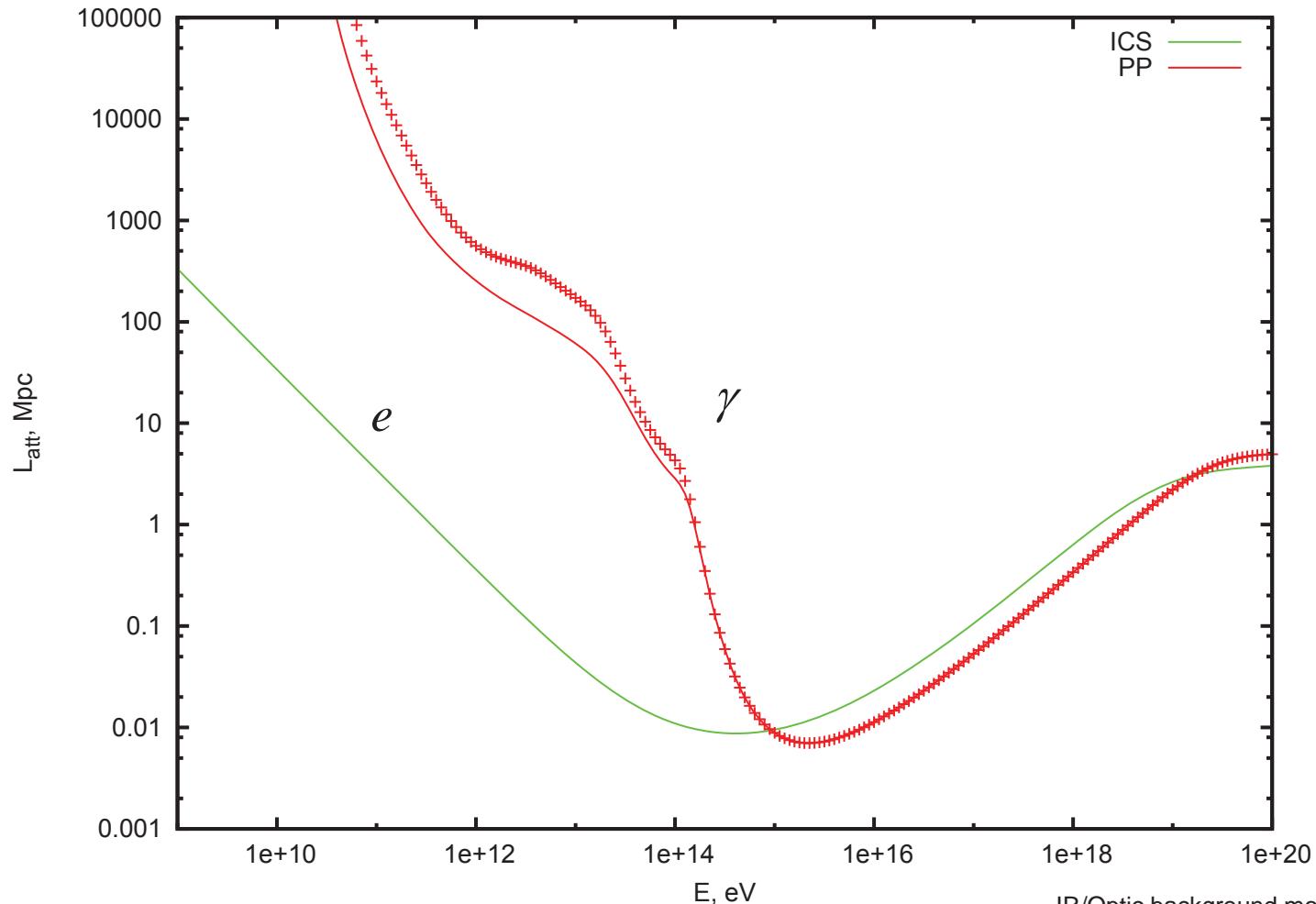
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e^+e^- pair production on p is the main source of diffuse photon background



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Attenuation lengths (EM cascade)



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Simulations of cosmic rays propagation

Sample transport equation for electrons (includes only pair production PP and inverse Compton scattering ICS)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dt}N_e(E_e, t) = & -N_e(E_e, t) \int d\epsilon n(\epsilon) \int d\mu \frac{1 - \beta_e \mu}{2} \sigma_{\text{ICS}}(E_e, \epsilon, \mu) + \\ & \int dE'_e N_e(E'_e, t) \int d\epsilon n(\epsilon) \int d\mu \frac{1 - \beta'_e \mu}{2} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{ICS}}}{dE_e}(E_e; E'_e, \epsilon, \mu) + \\ & \int dE_\gamma N_\gamma(E_\gamma, t) \int d\epsilon n(\epsilon) \int d\mu \frac{1 - \mu}{2} \frac{d\sigma_{\text{PP}}}{dE_e}(E_e; E_\gamma, \epsilon, \mu) + Q(E_e, t) \end{aligned}$$

Interactions

■ Protons and neutrons

Deflection by EGMF

$B < 10^{-9}$ G P. Kronberg, Rept. Prog. Phys. 57, 325 (1994).

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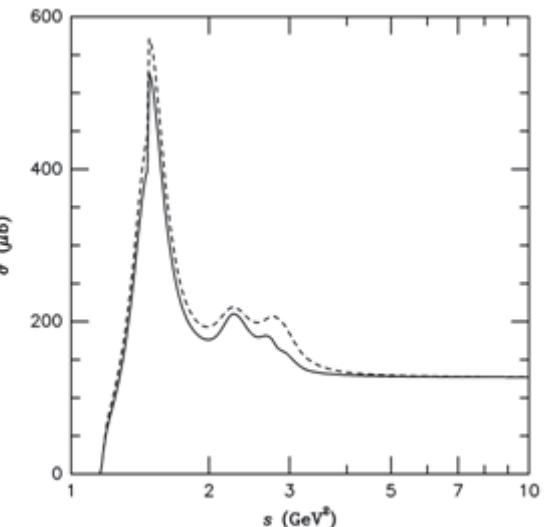
$$N\gamma_b \rightarrow N'\pi\dots$$

$$E_{th} = \frac{m_\pi(m_p+m_\pi/2)}{\epsilon} \simeq 7 \times 10^{16} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{eV}\right)^{-1} eV$$

For MWB ($\epsilon \simeq 10^{-3} eV$): $E_{th} \simeq 70 EeV$

SOPHIA event generator

A.Mucke et al., Comp.Phys.Comm. 124, 290(2000)



e⁺e⁻ pair production

$$p\gamma_b \rightarrow p e^+ e^-$$

$$E_{th} = \frac{m_e(m_A+m_e)}{\epsilon} \simeq 5 \times 10^{14} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{eV}\right)^{-1} eV$$

For MWB ($\epsilon \simeq 10^{-3} eV$): $E_{th} \simeq 5 \times 10^{17} eV$

ρ energy loss rate:

M.J.Chodorowski et al. Astrophys.J. 400, 181(1992)

neutron β-decay

$$n \rightarrow p e^- \bar{\nu}_e \quad \tau = 900s$$

Some references on UHECR propagation

π production

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Photodisintegration

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E.Khan et al. Astropart.Phys. 23 (2005) 191-201

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Extragalactic magnetic field

K.Dolag et al., astro-ph/0410419

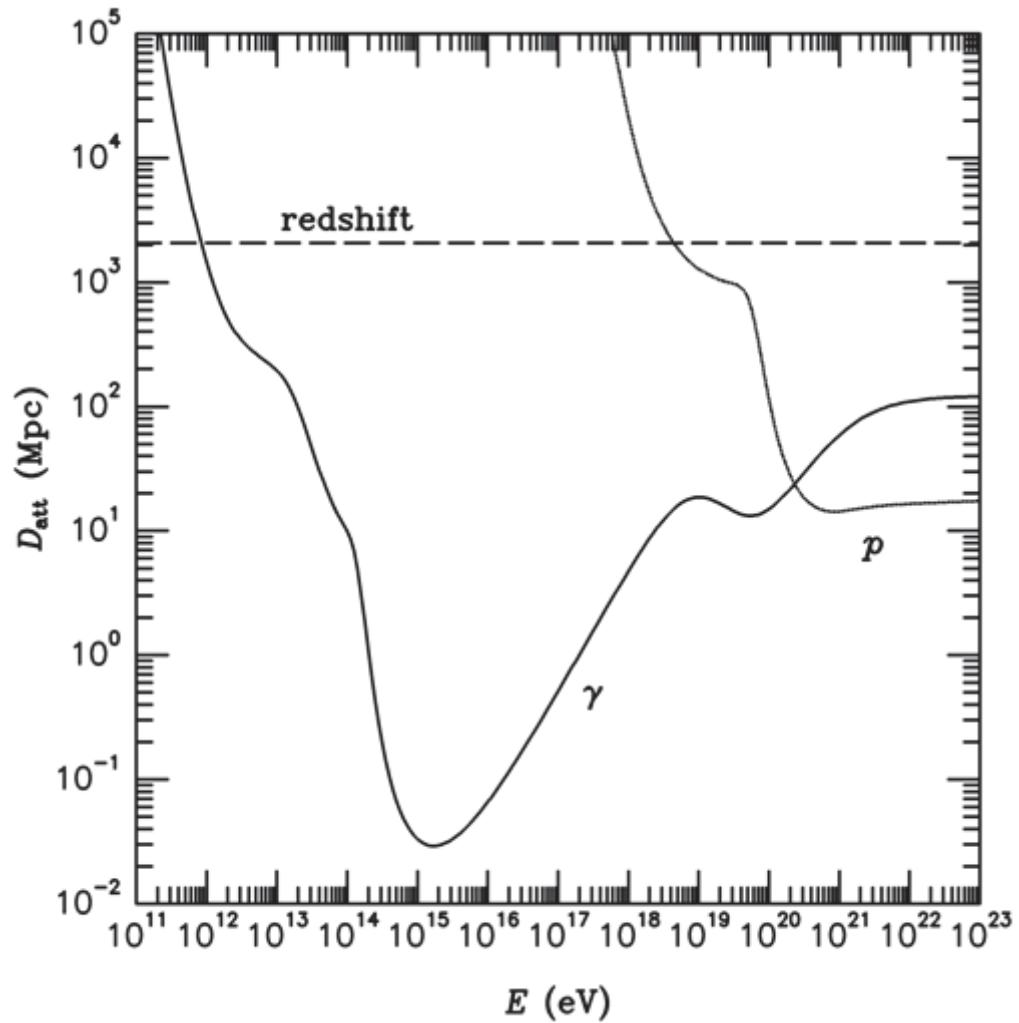
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Energy loss lengths



p and γ energy loss lengths
(minimal RB assumed)

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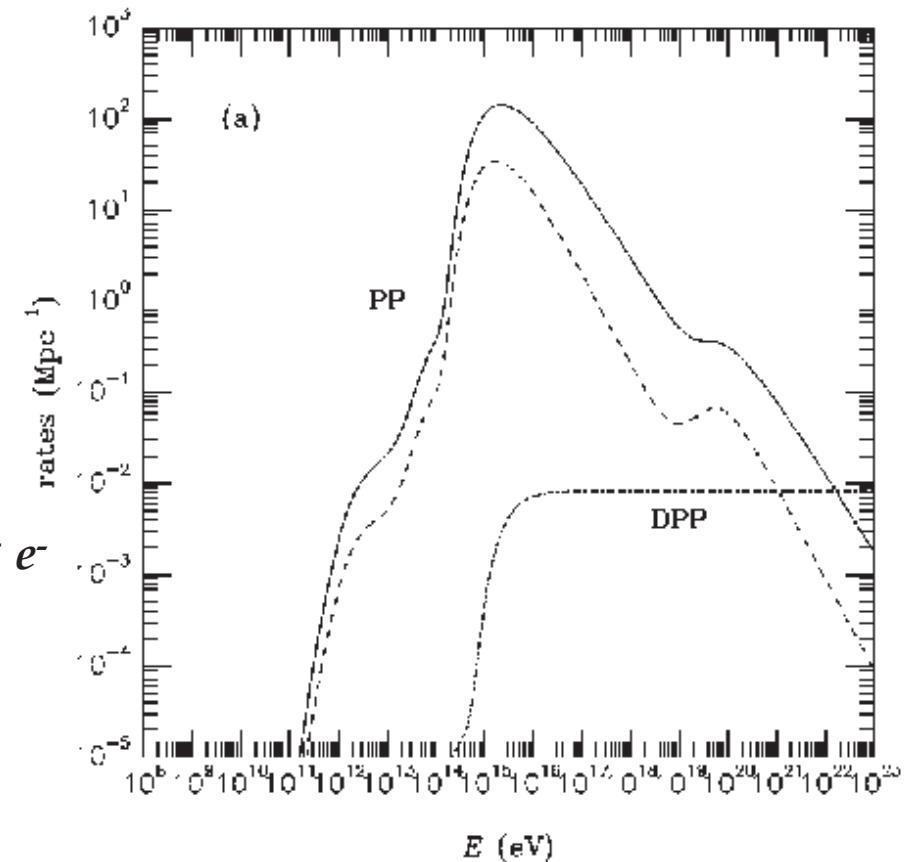
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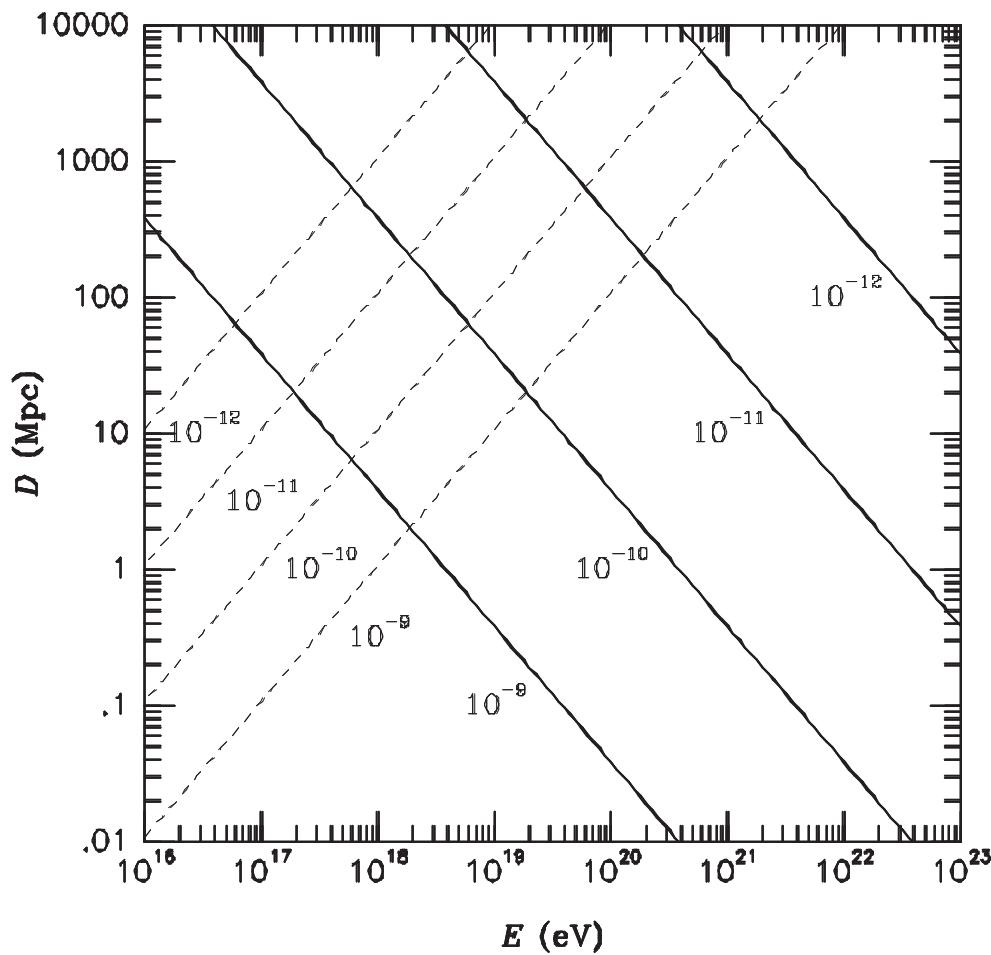
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Deflection and synchrotron radiation

Gyroradius: $R_g = \frac{E}{qeB_\perp} \simeq 110 \times \frac{1}{Z} \left(\frac{E}{10^{19} \text{ eV}} \right) \left(\frac{B_\perp}{10^{-10} \text{ G}} \right)^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$



Synchrotron loss length:

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = -\frac{4}{3}\sigma_T \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \left(\frac{qm_e}{m} \right)^4 \left(\frac{E}{m_e} \right)^2$$

$$E_\gamma \simeq \frac{3eB}{2m_e} \left(\frac{E_e}{m_e} \right)^2 \simeq$$

$$2.2 \times 10^{14} \left(\frac{E_e}{10^{21} \text{ eV}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{B}{10^{-9} \text{ G}} \right) \text{ eV}$$

The gyroradius and the synchrotron loss rates of electrons for various strengths of the EGMF

Observation of photons from distant blazars

HESS	1ES 1101-232 (z=0.186) H2356-309 (z=0.165)	$\Gamma = 2.88 \pm 0.17$ $\Gamma = 3.06 \pm 0.21$	$\frac{dN}{dE} \sim E^{-\Gamma}$ $0.5 < E / TeV < 10$
VERITAS	3C66A (z = 0.444)	$\Gamma = 4.1 \pm 0.4_{stat} \pm 0.6_{sys}$	

Nature 440 (2006) 1018–1021

Astrophys. J. Lett. 693 (2009) L104–L108