

Combined fit of UHECRs with jetted AGN



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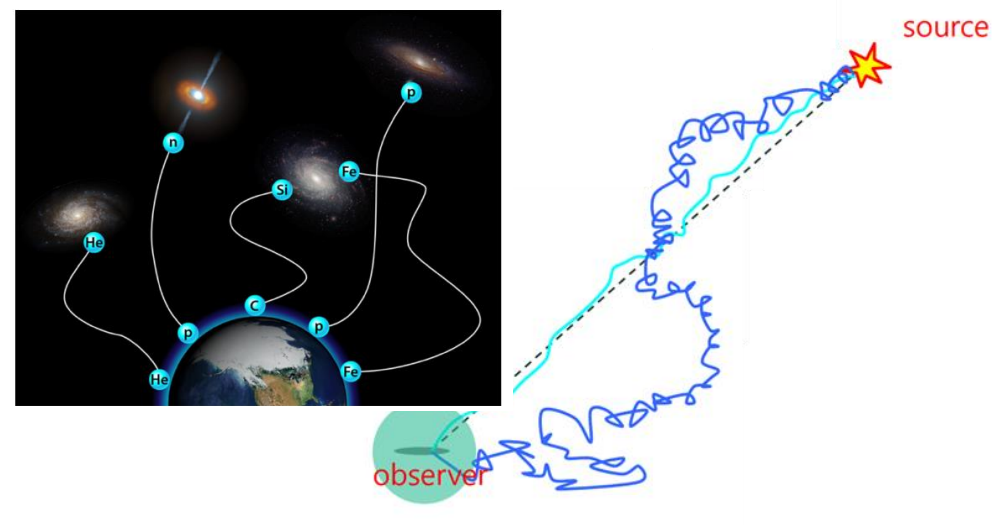
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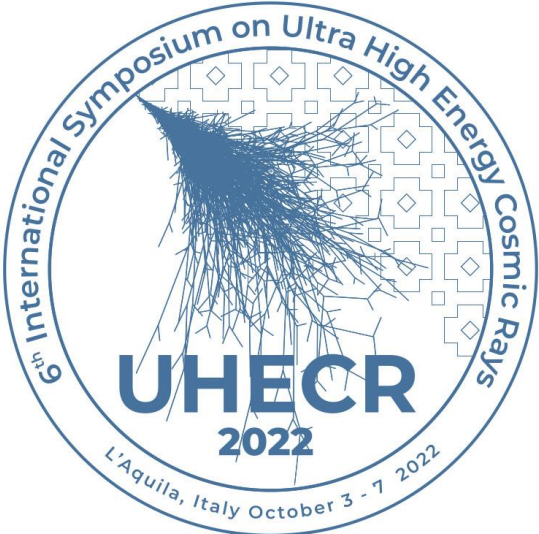
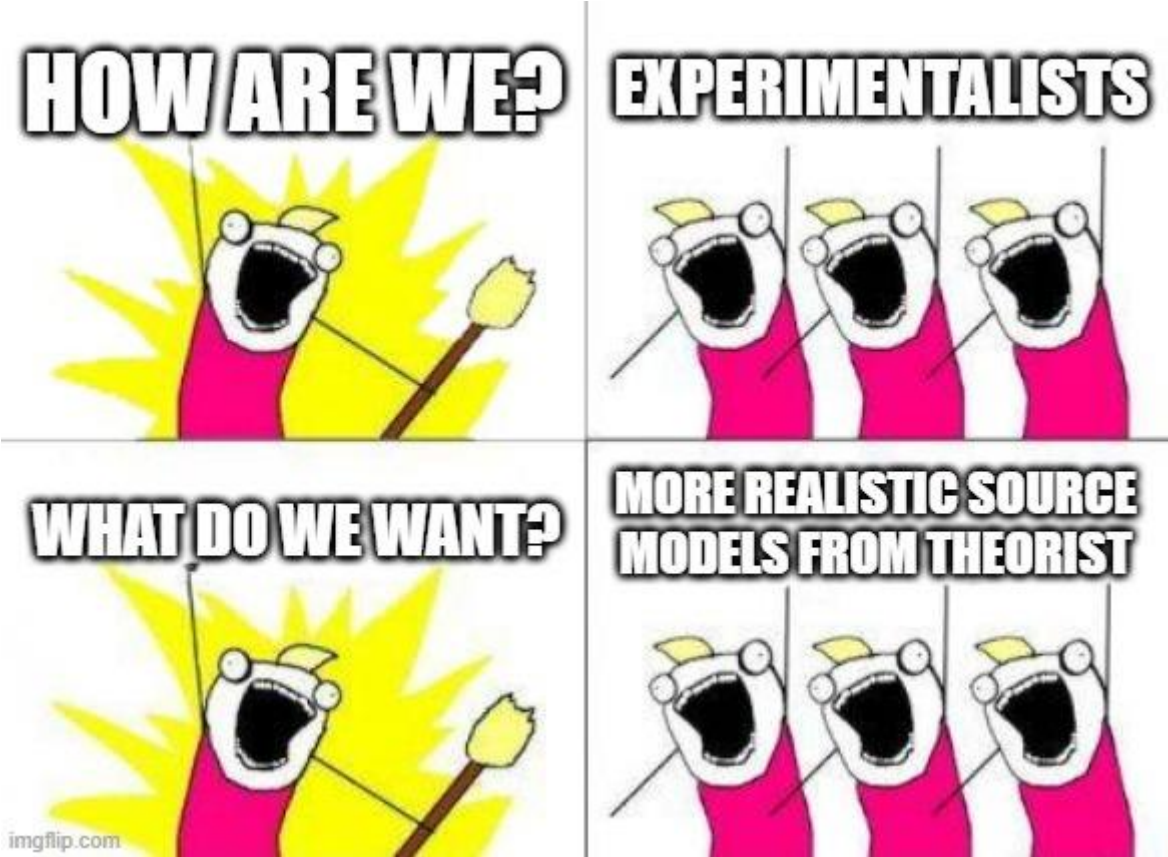
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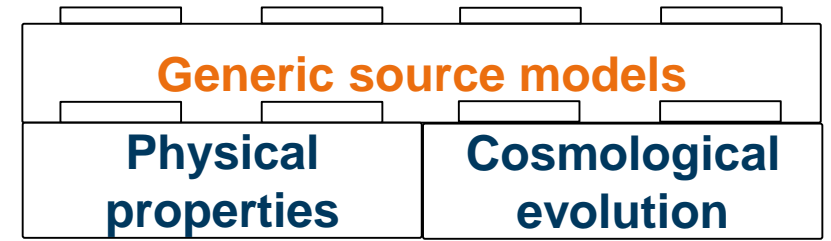
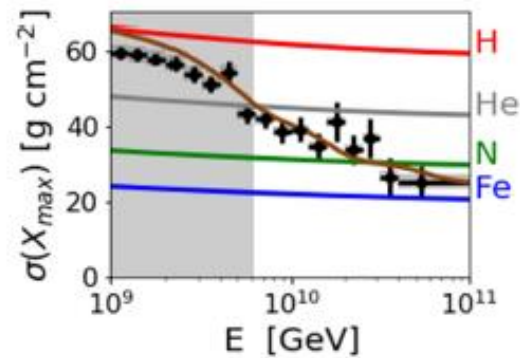
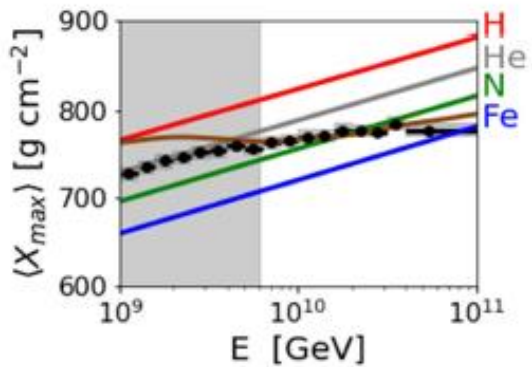
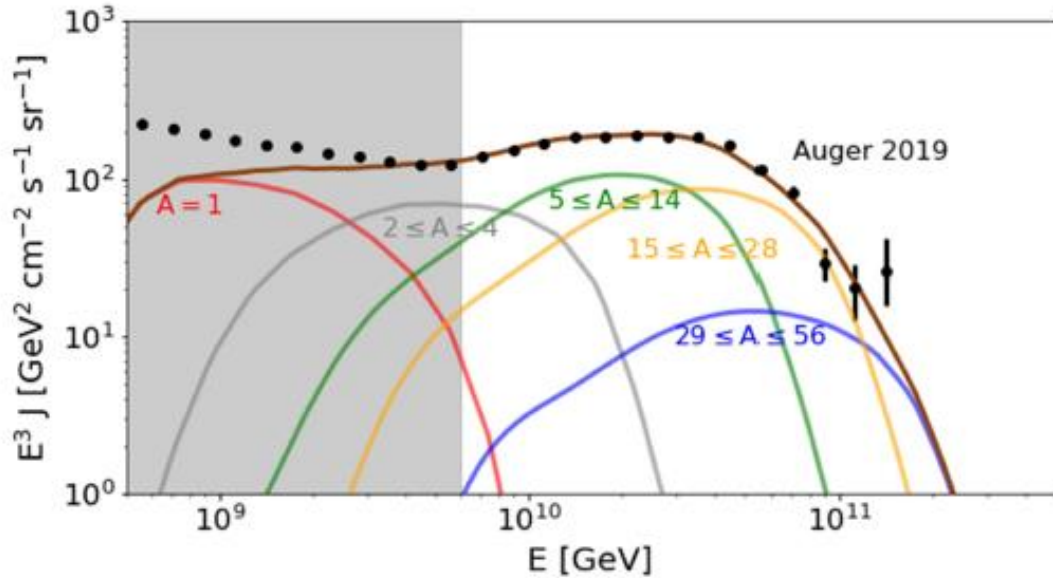
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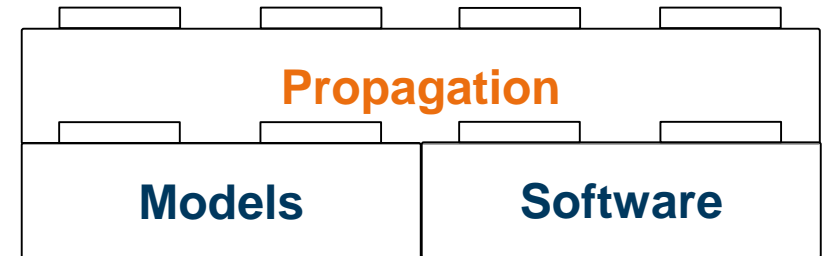


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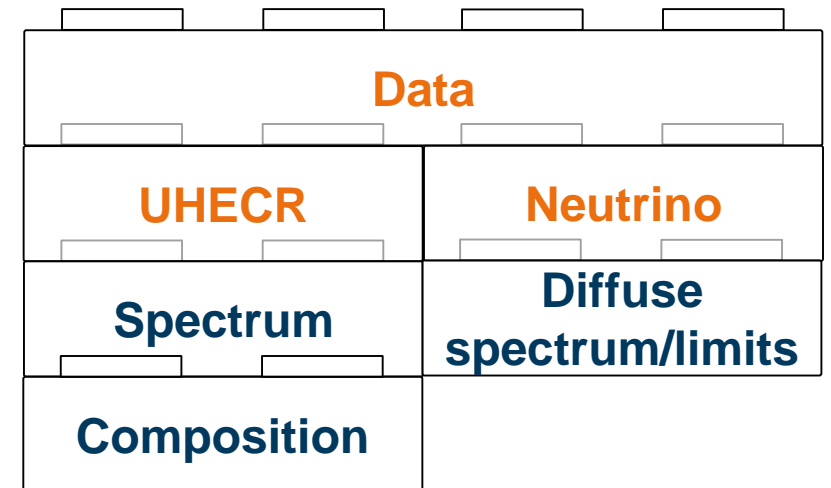
Standard combined fit



For different parameters

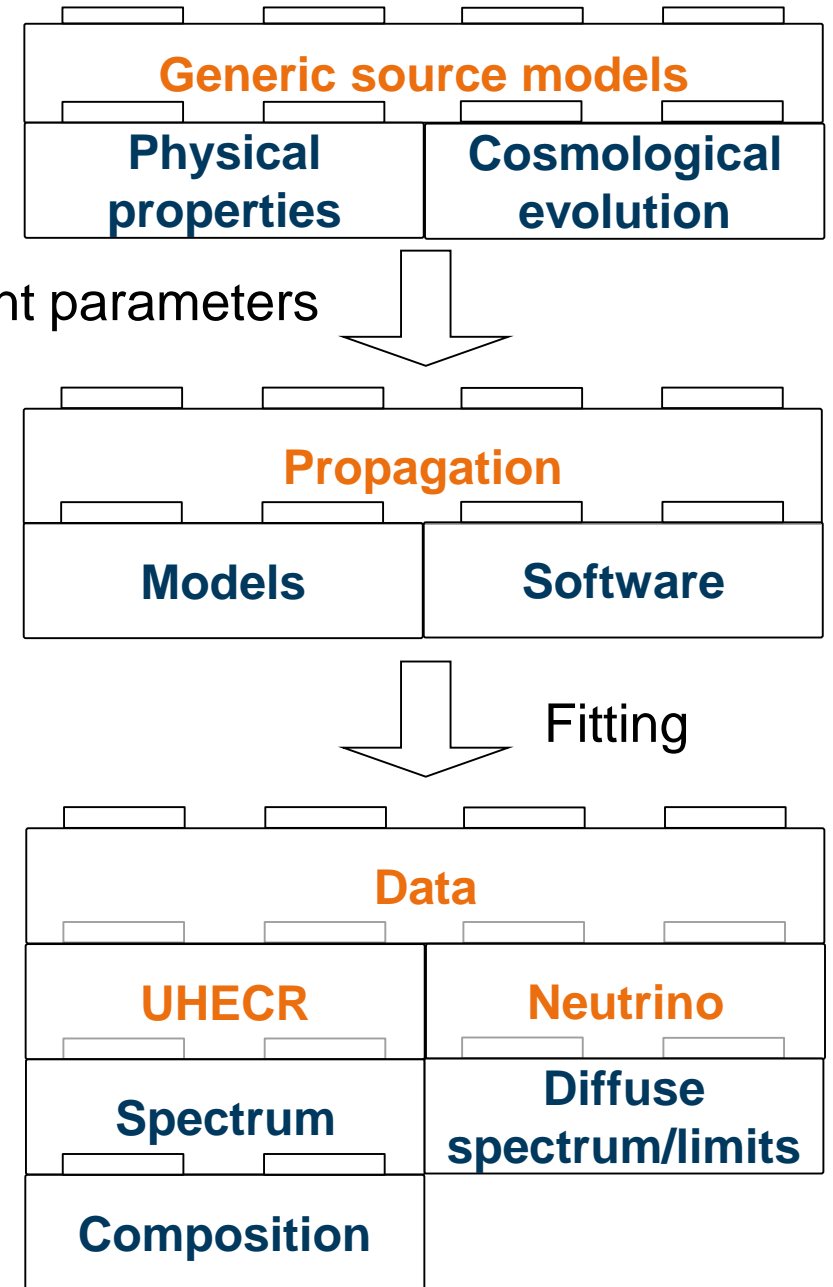
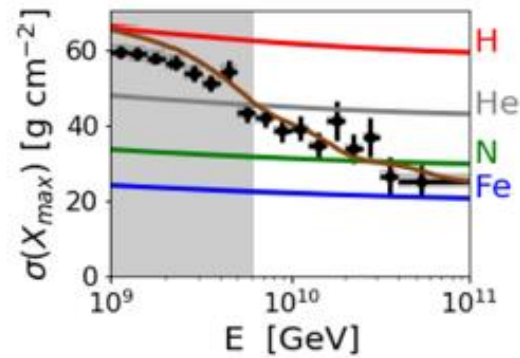
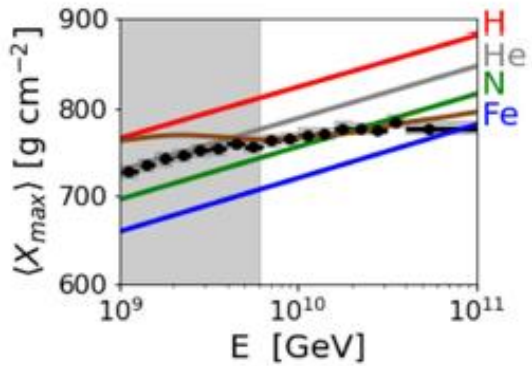
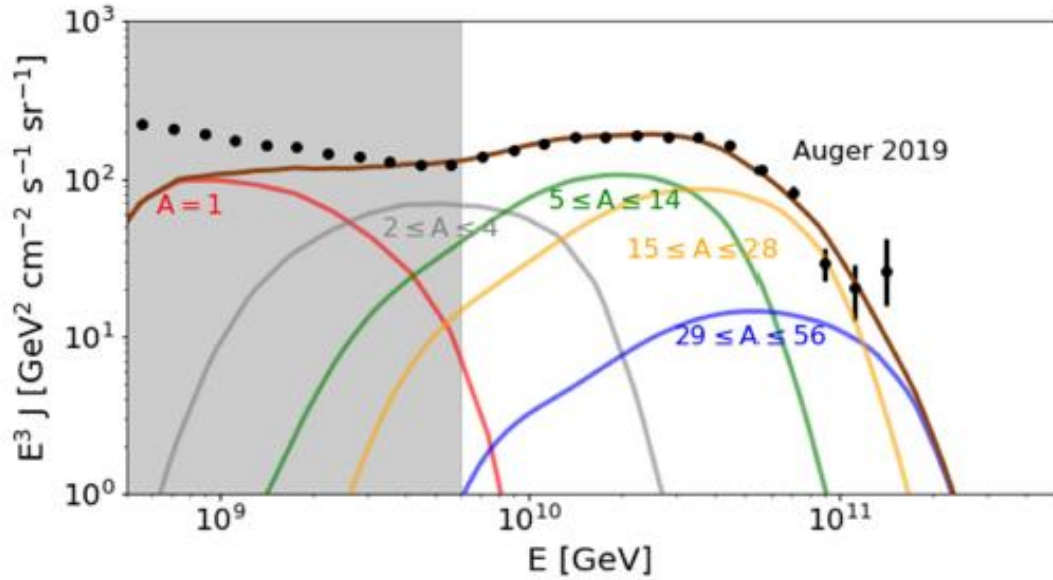


Fitting



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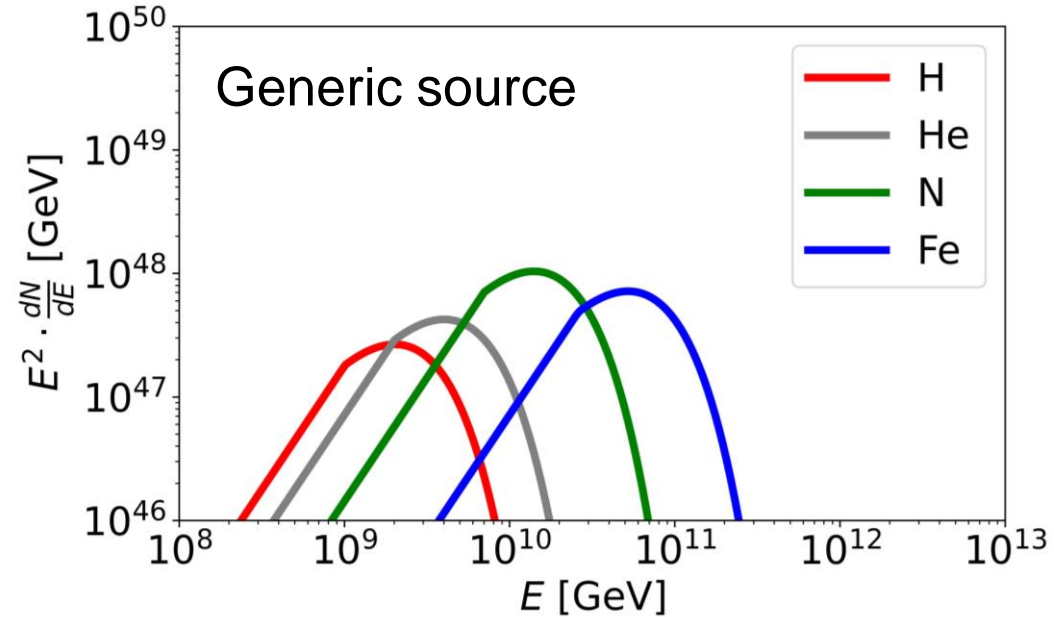
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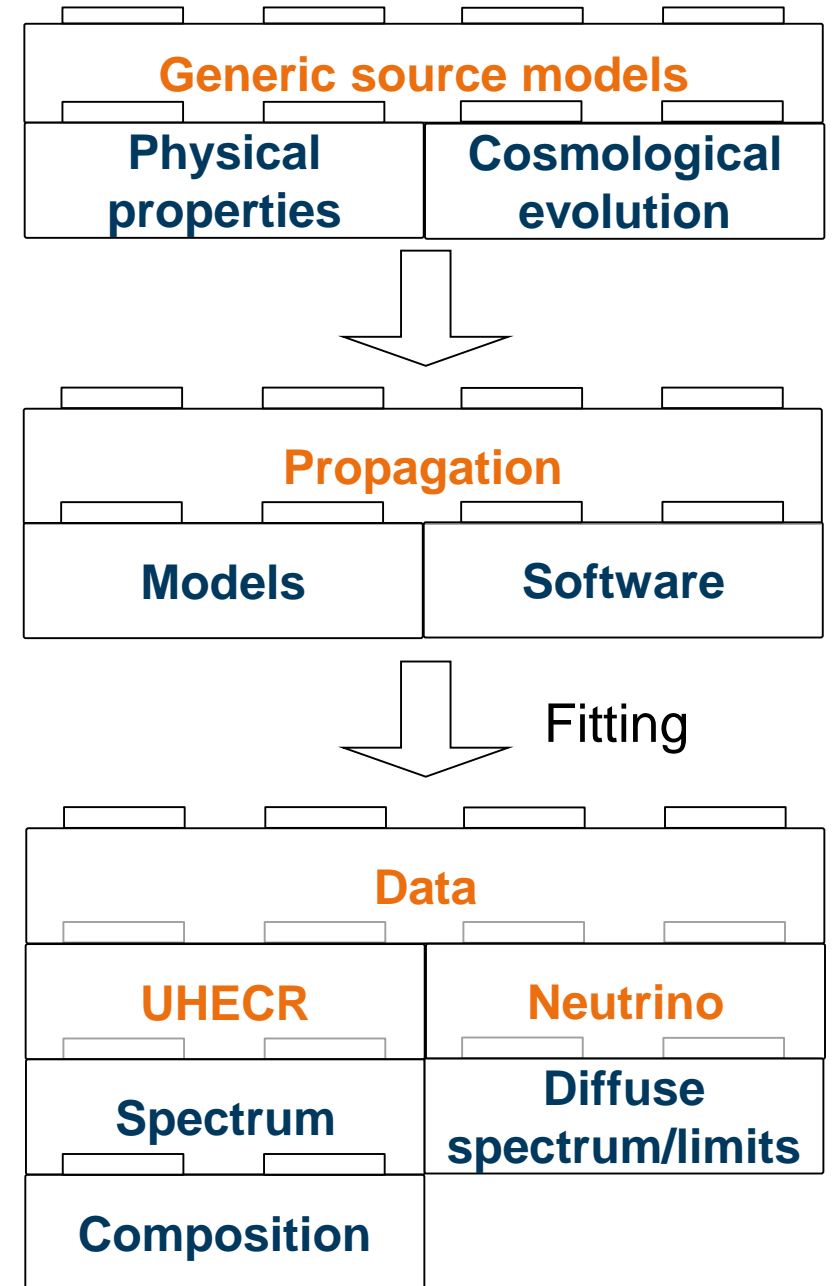
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Simple Power-law with rigidity-dependent cut-off:



$$J_{source} \sim E^{-\gamma} f_{cut}(E)$$

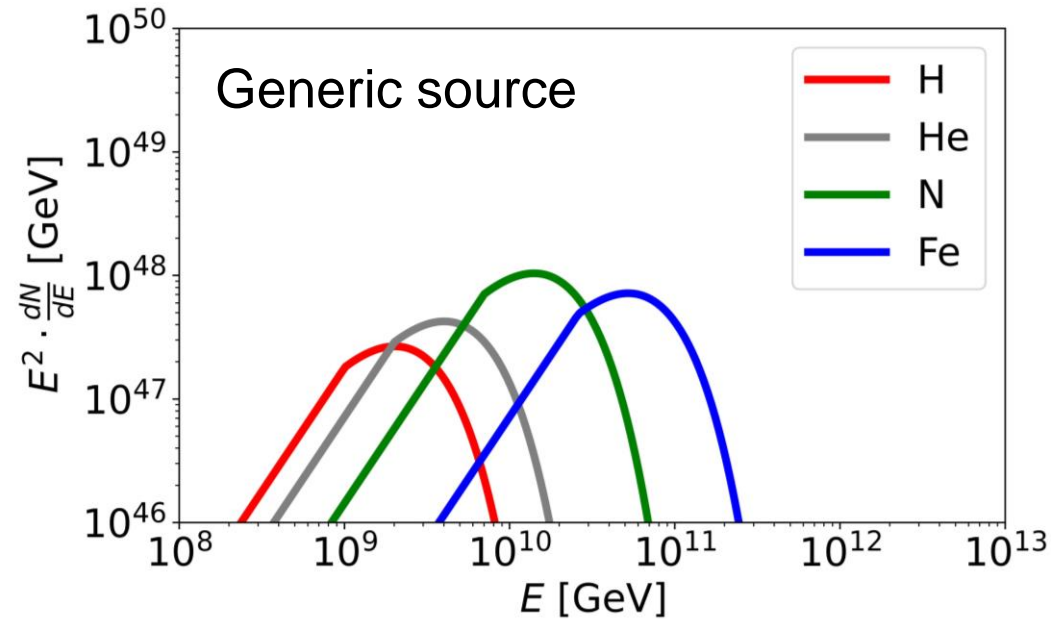
$$E_{max} \sim Z$$



Motivation

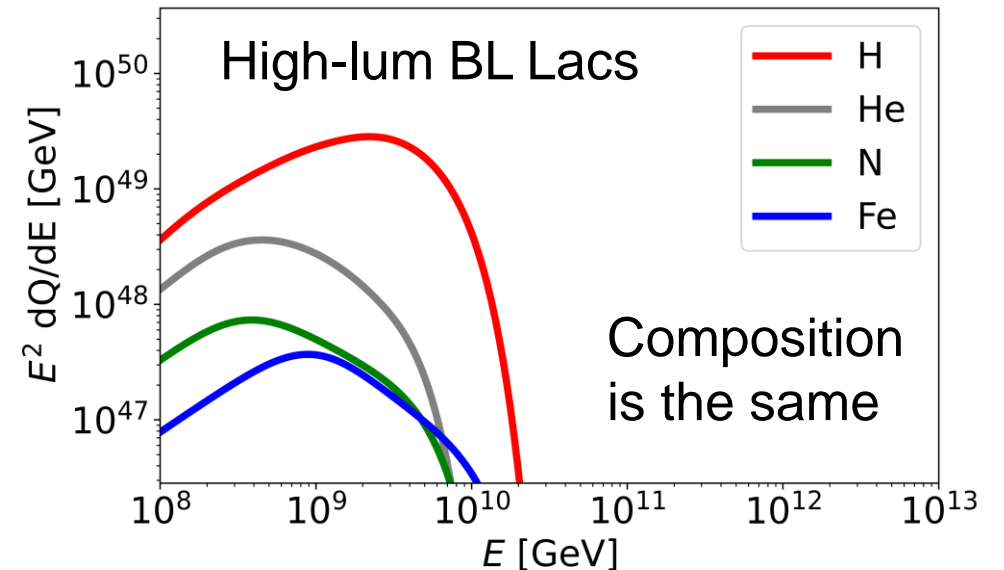
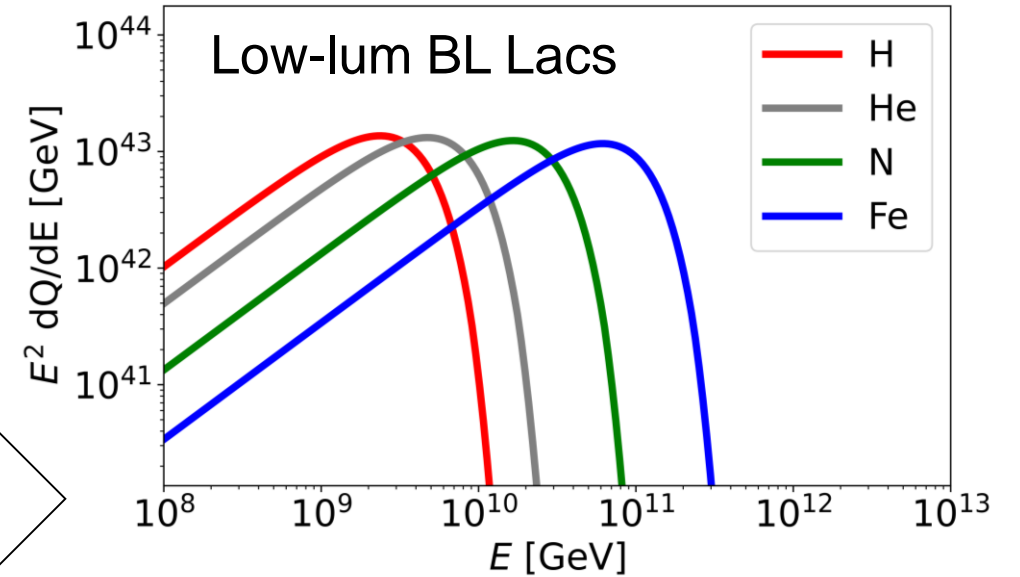
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Simulated spectrums of jetted AGN:

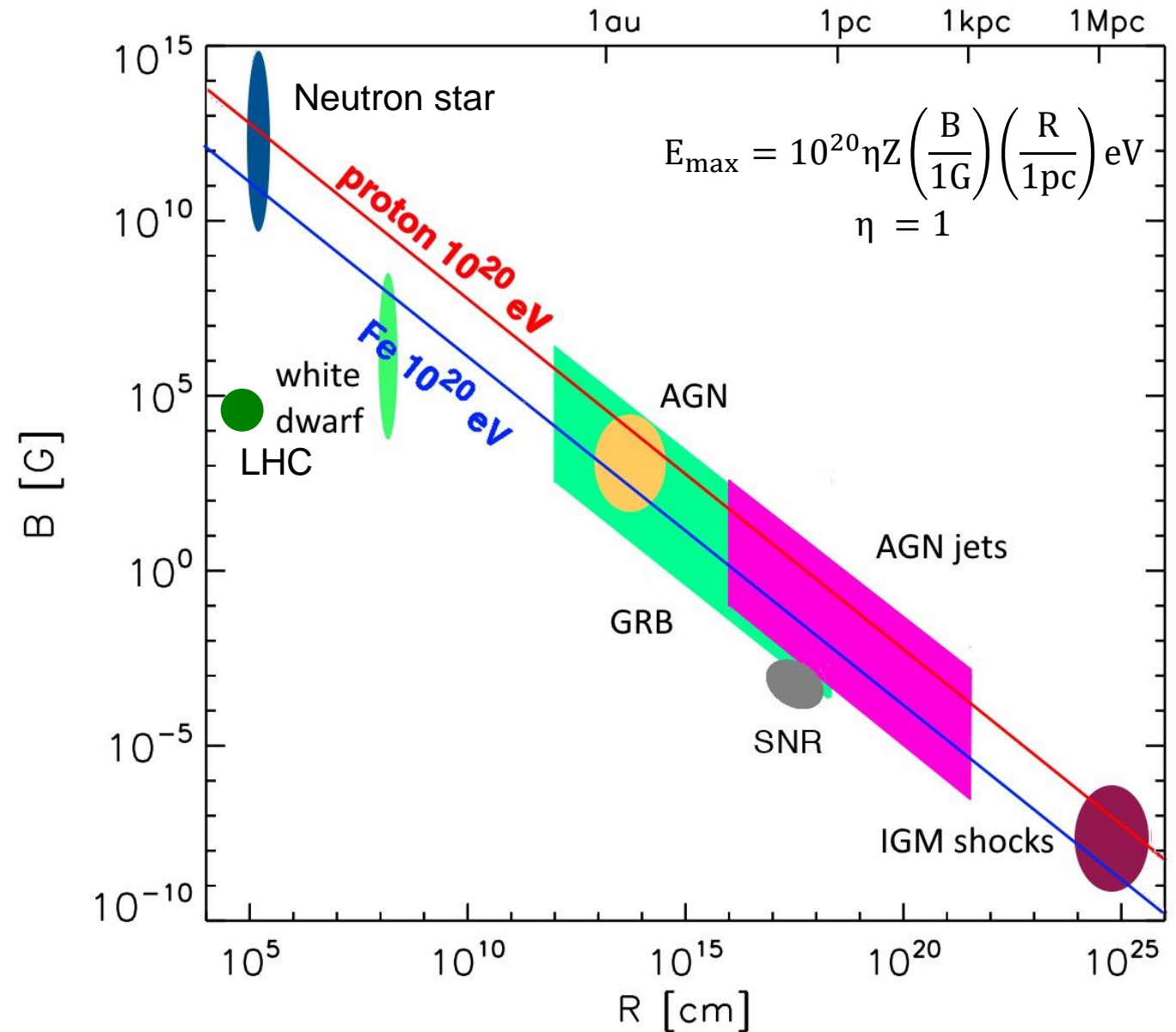


The Hillas criterium

AGNs are the most luminous objects in the universe

Association with neutrino event from IceCube (TXS 0506+056)

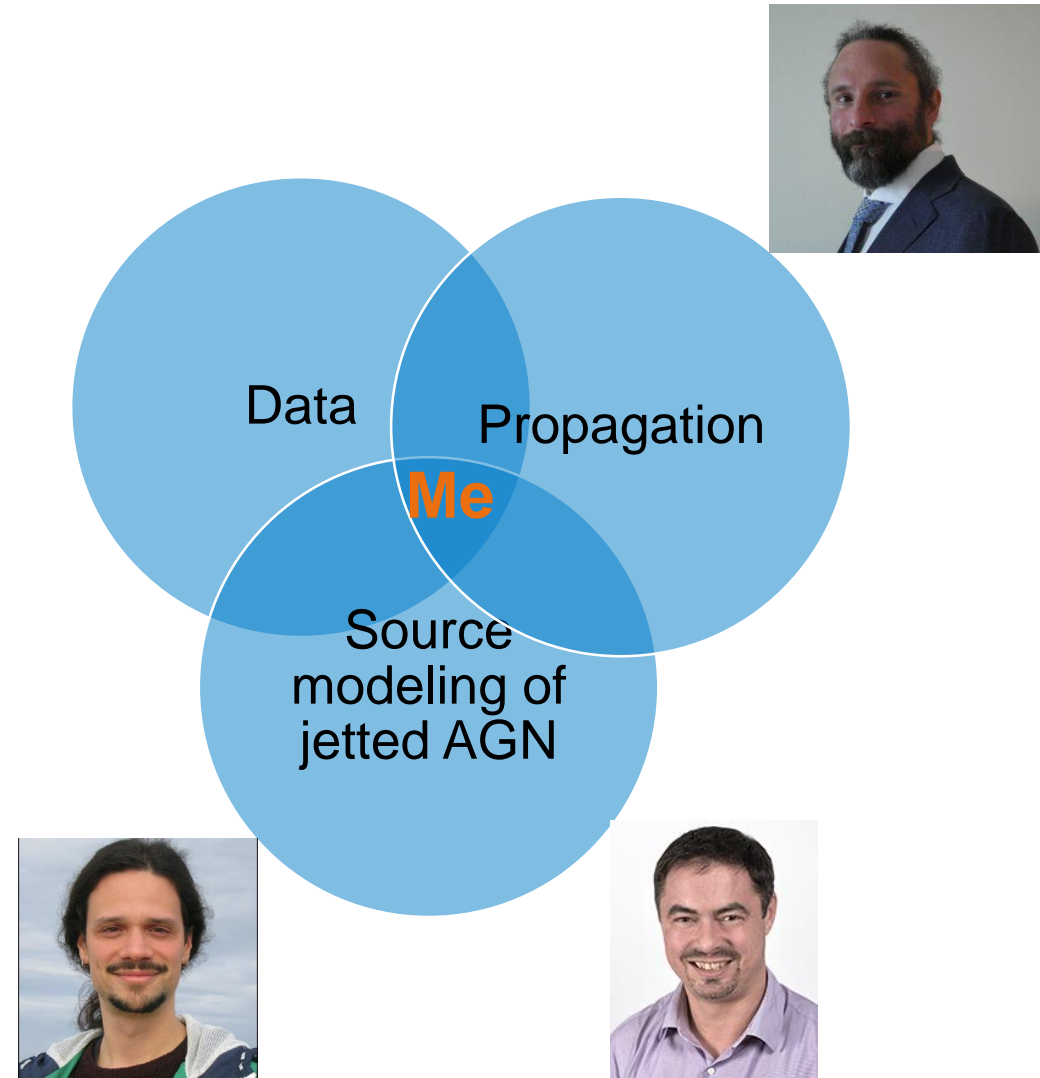
BIG ASSUMPTION: all observed UHECRs are produced by jetted AGN



Adapted from Roberto Aloisio 2017

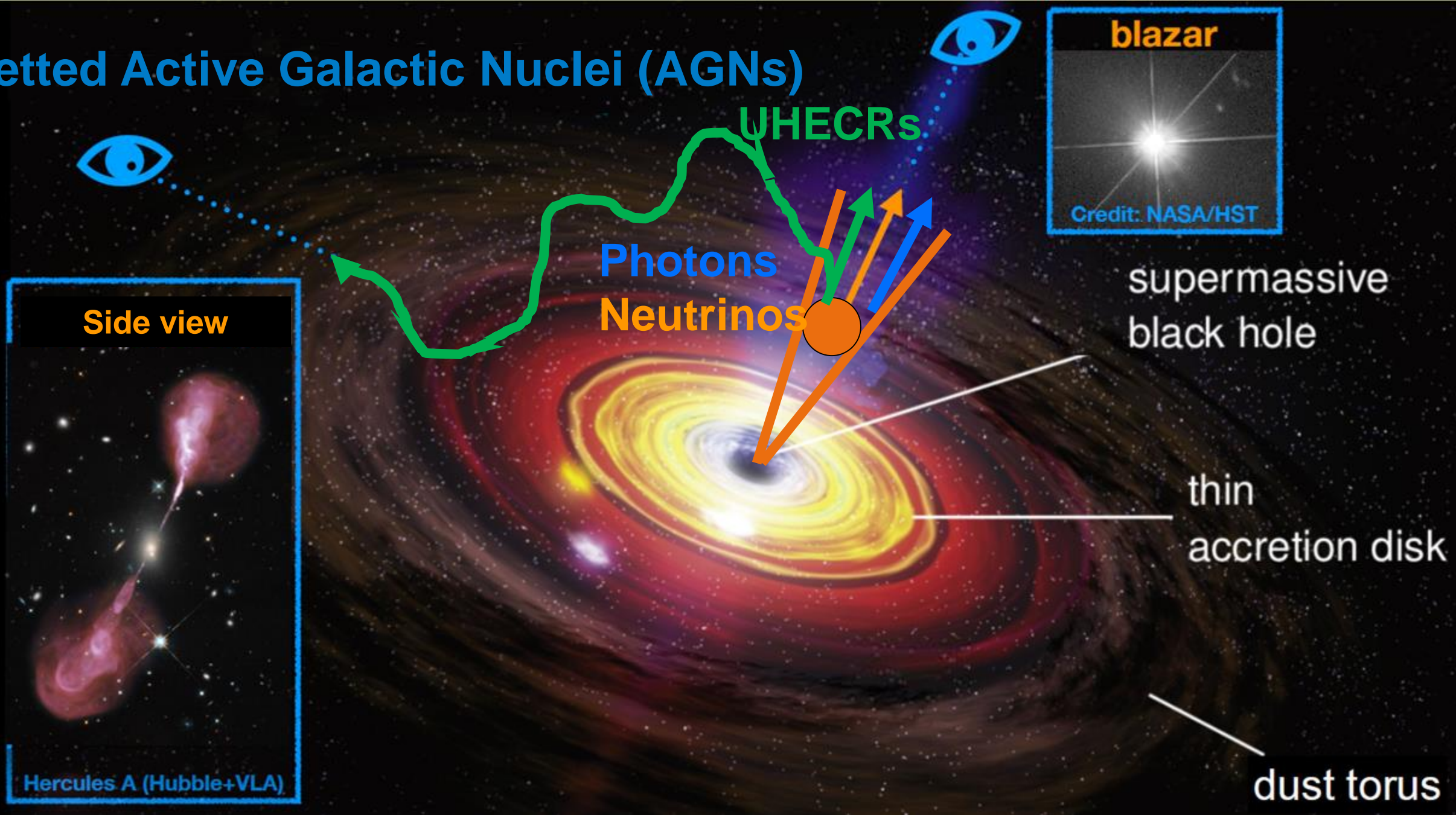
Motivation

1. Switch from generic sources to simulated spectrums from jetted AGN for fitting
2. Provide constraints on the models using UHECR and neutrino data *
3. Predict cosmogenic and source neutrino flux for future observations



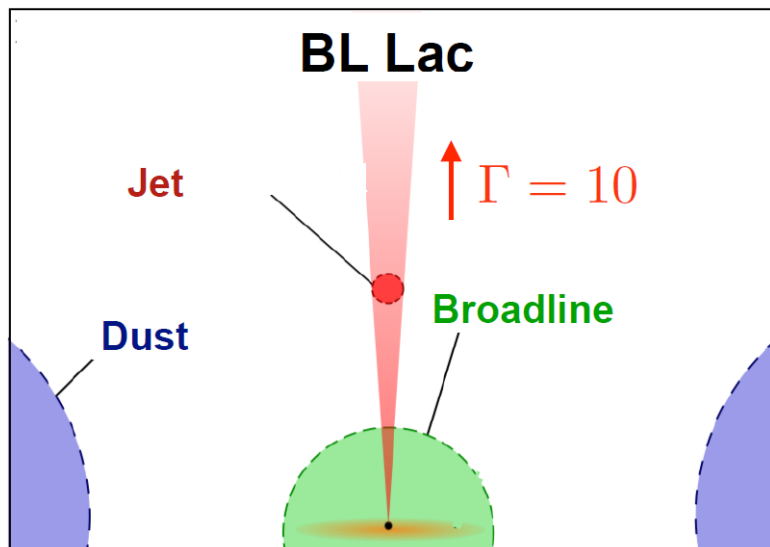
ULTIMATE
JETTED AGN
MODEL

Jetted Active Galactic Nuclei (AGNs)

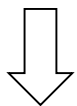


Source models

BL Lacs



No evidence of external fields



One-zone model

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acceleration efficiency (η)

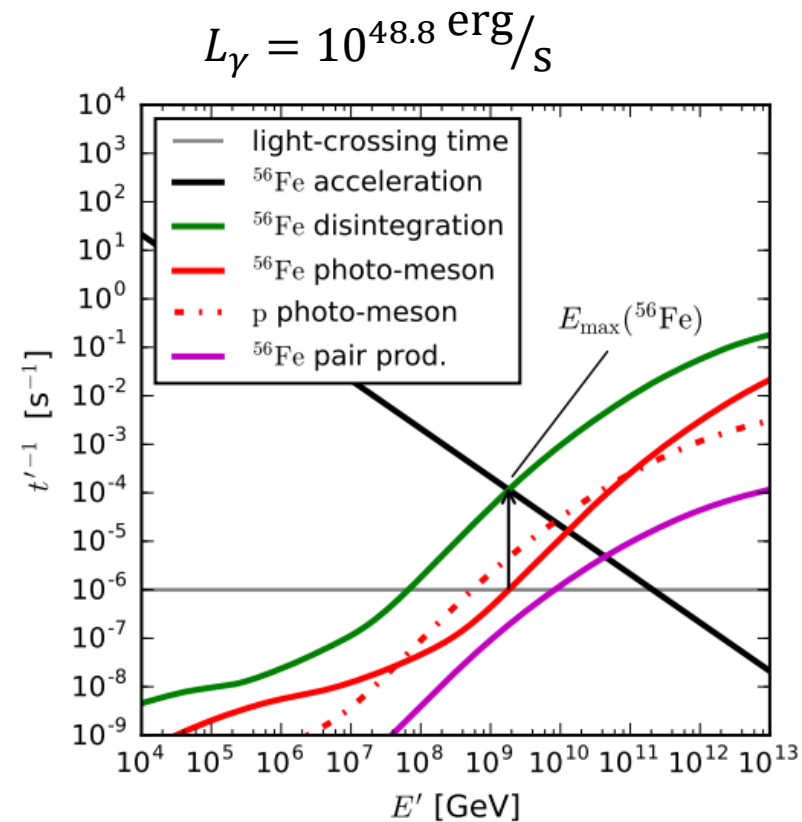
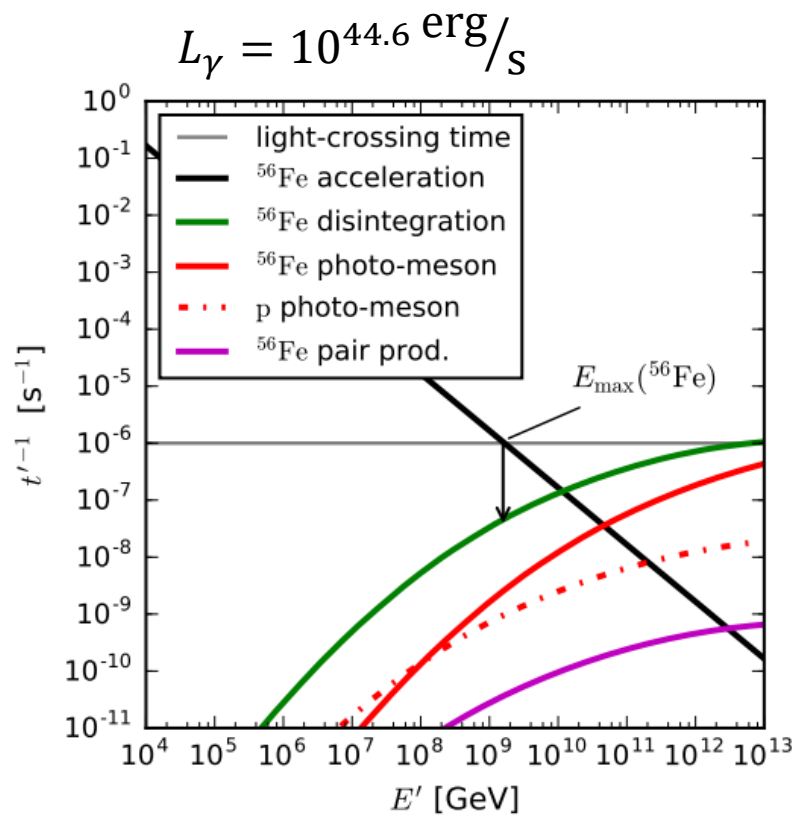
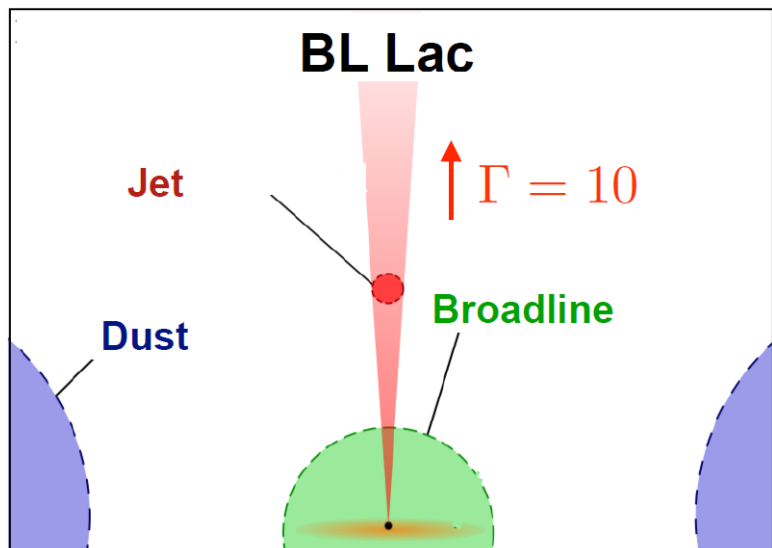
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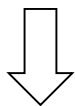
$$\xi_{\text{CR}} = \frac{L_{\text{CR}}}{L_e} \sim \frac{L_{\text{CR}}}{L_\gamma}$$

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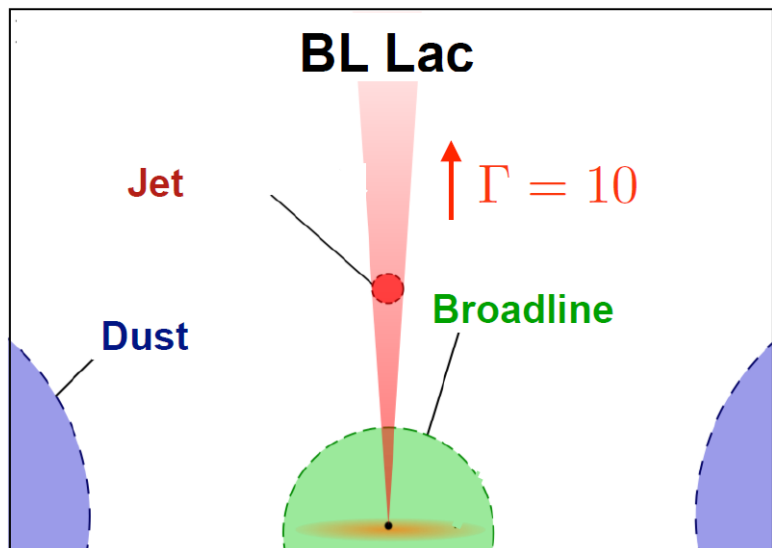
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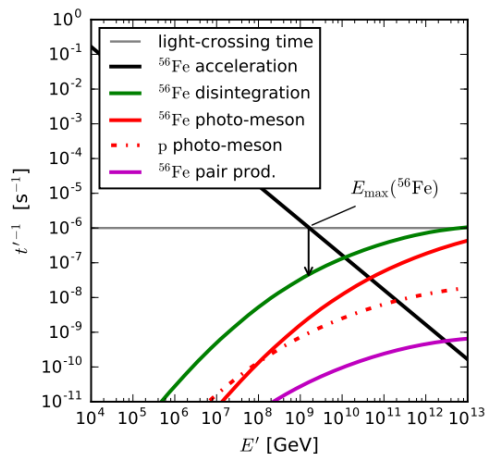
No interactions

a lot of interactions

Good CR sources

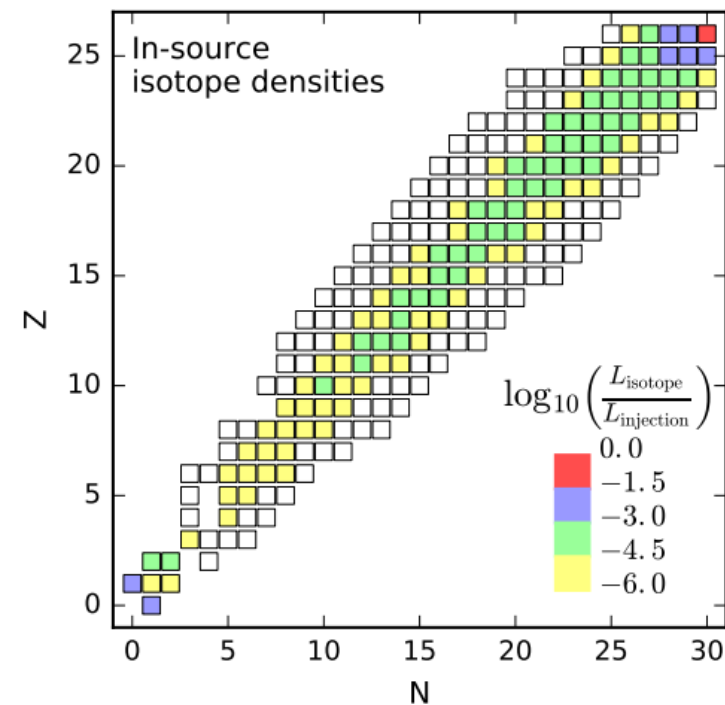
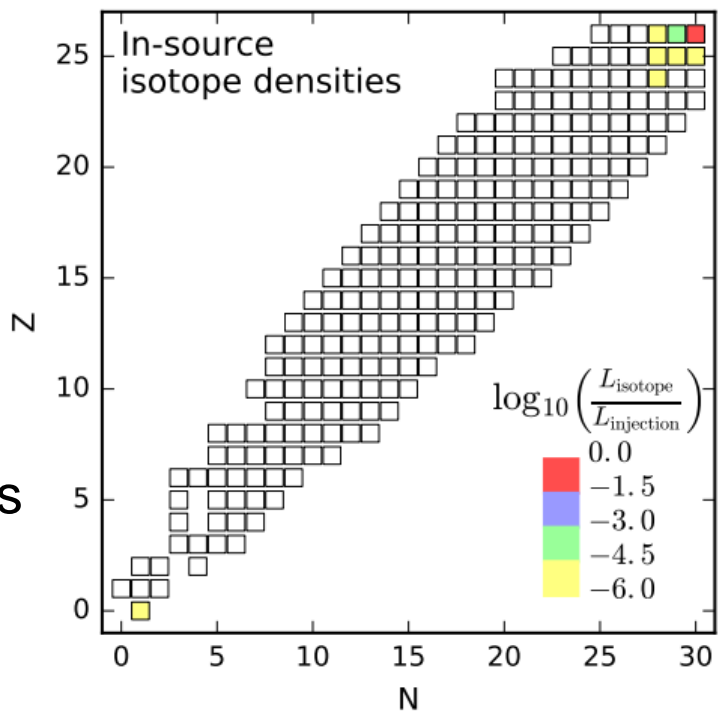
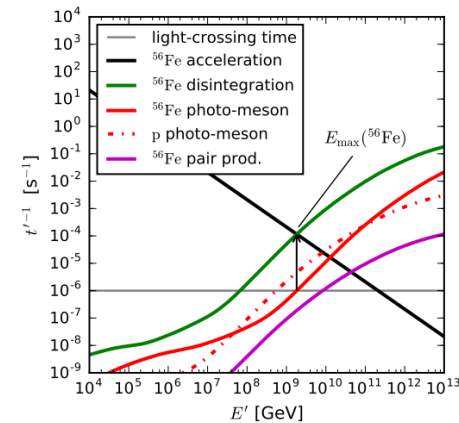
Good Nu sources

$$L_\gamma = 10^{44.6} \text{ erg/s}$$



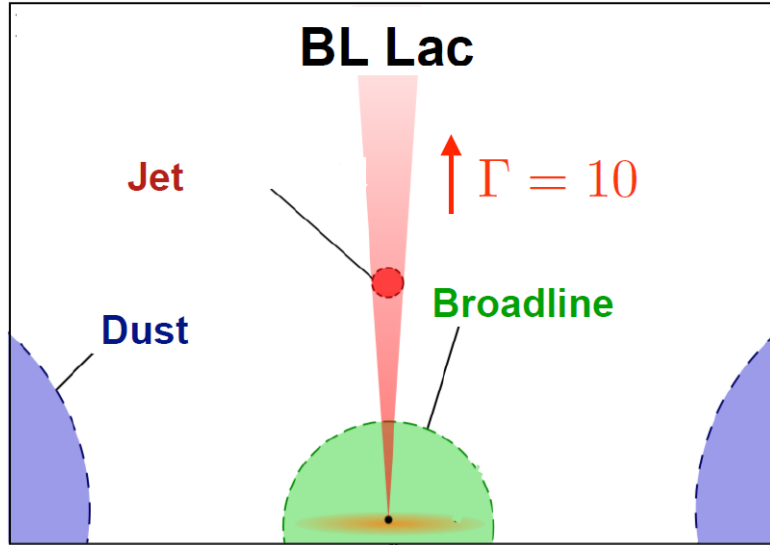
We have to keep the up to 83 spectrum for propagation part

$$L_\gamma = 10^{48.8} \text{ erg/s}$$



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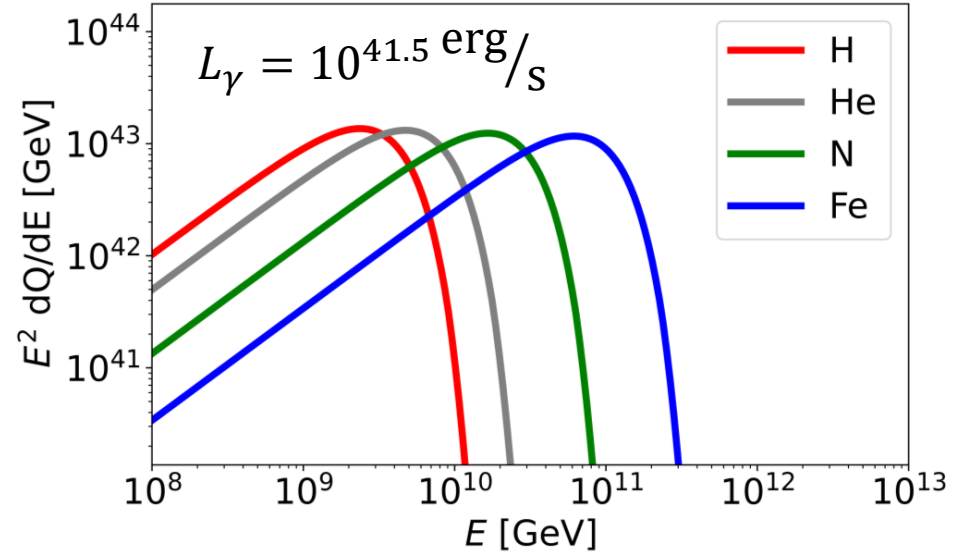
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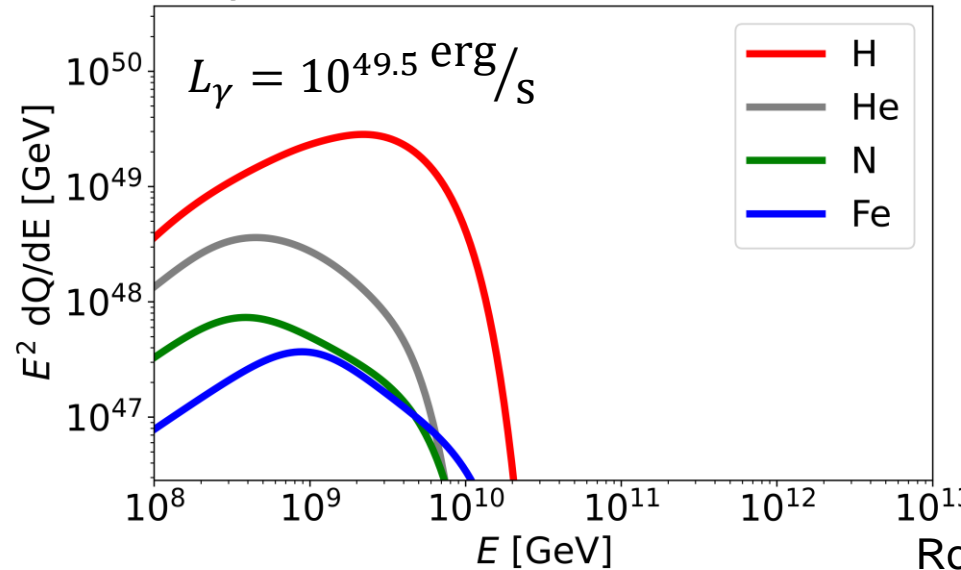
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High-lum BL Lacs

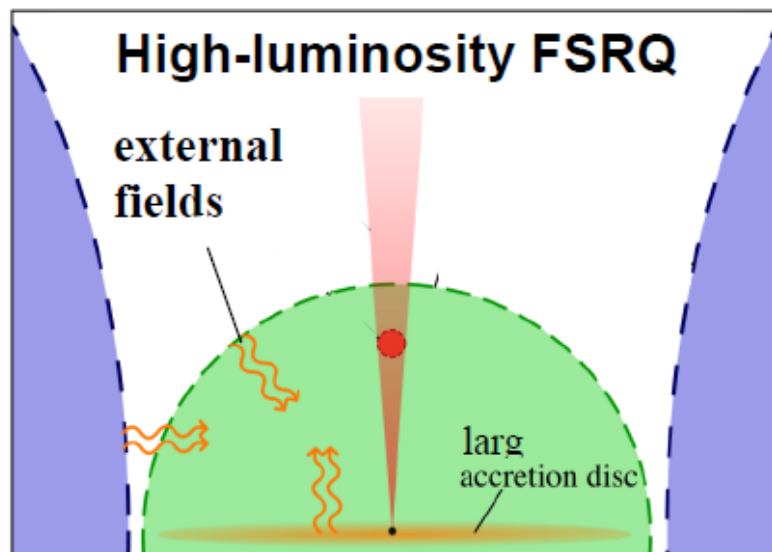


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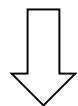
Rodrigues X. et al 2018

Source model

Flat-Spectrum Radio Quasars (FSRQ)



Large broadline region and dust torus



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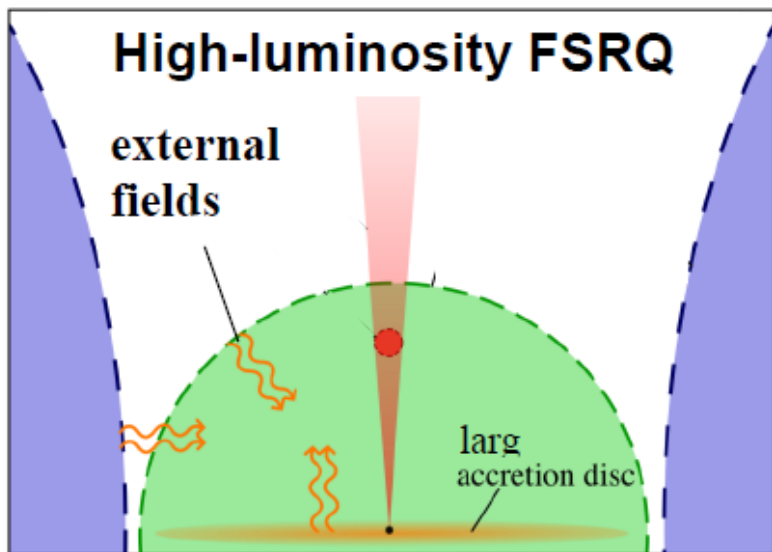
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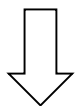
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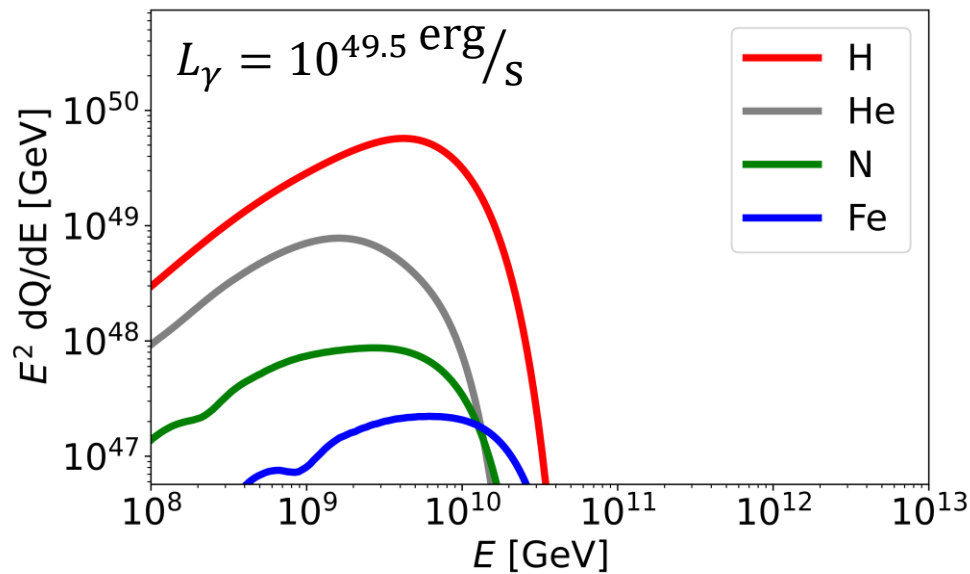


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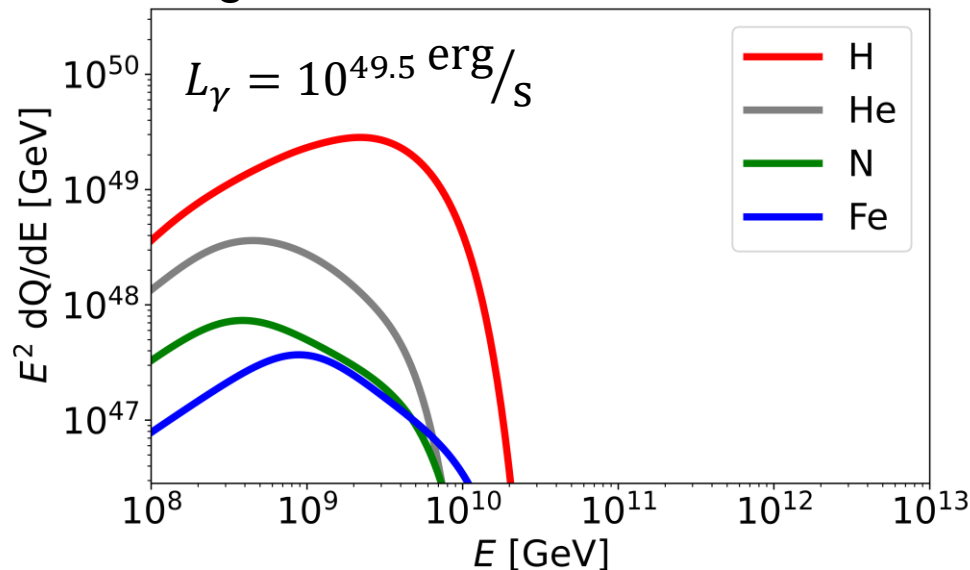
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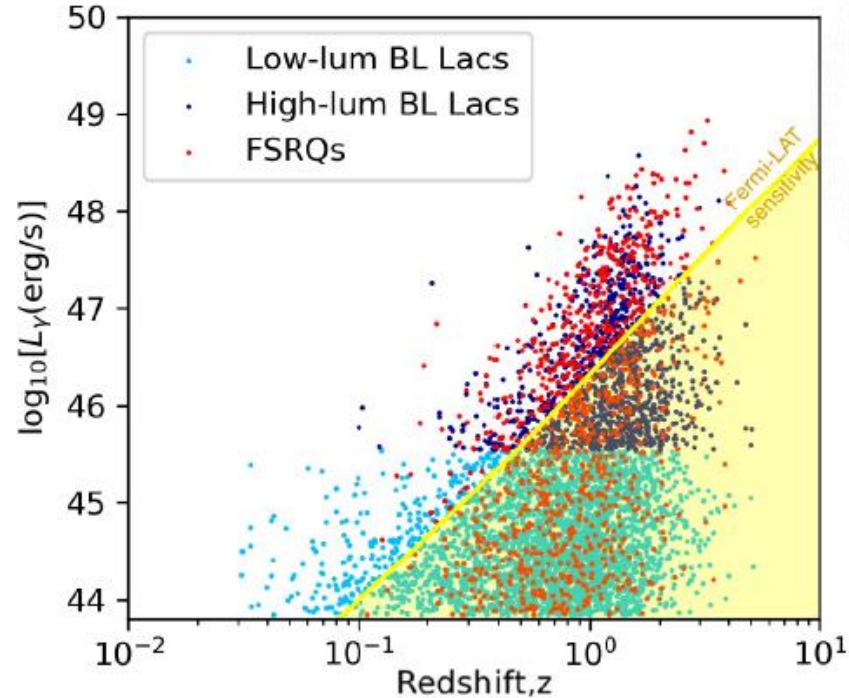
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Neutrinos and UHECRs from blazar AGN

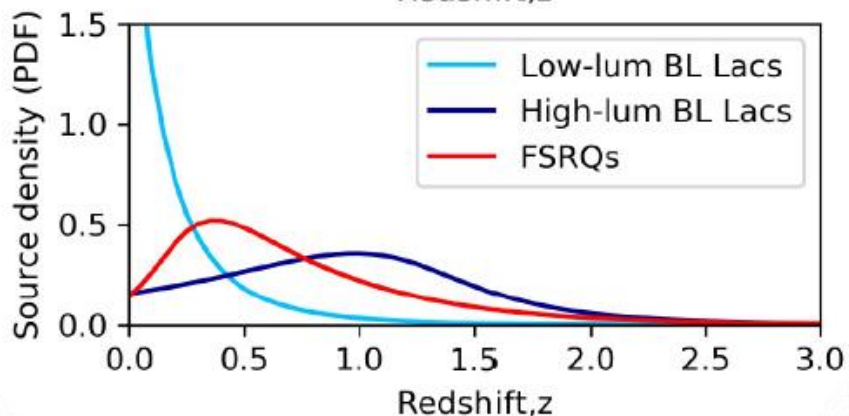
Population model



~1500 resolved
blazars
(above the Fermi flux
threshold)

50% of **FSRQs**
resolved by *Fermi*

only 15% of **BL Lacs**
resolved by *Fermi*



Model ingredient list:

- Fermi catalog(3LAC)
- Observed diffuse γ -ray background
- Distributions of **FSRQs** and **BL Lacs** (Ajello)

Integrate over L_γ

PriNCE

Propagation including Nuclear Cascade

- Written in pure Python using Numpy and Scipy
- Directly solve the transport equation
- Large speed boost from sparse matrix algorithms
- Public available Analysis tools for parameters scan
- Written for combining source modelling and propagation
- Was developed by Jonas Heinze and Anatoli Fedynitch at DESY



Installation: `pip install prince-cr`

PriNCE

1D propagation:

- Without MF
- $z < 5$

Photon fields:

- CMB
- EBL (Gilmore)

Interaction:

- Adiabatic cooling
- Pair – production
- Photo-hadronic
- Photo-disintegration

Source:

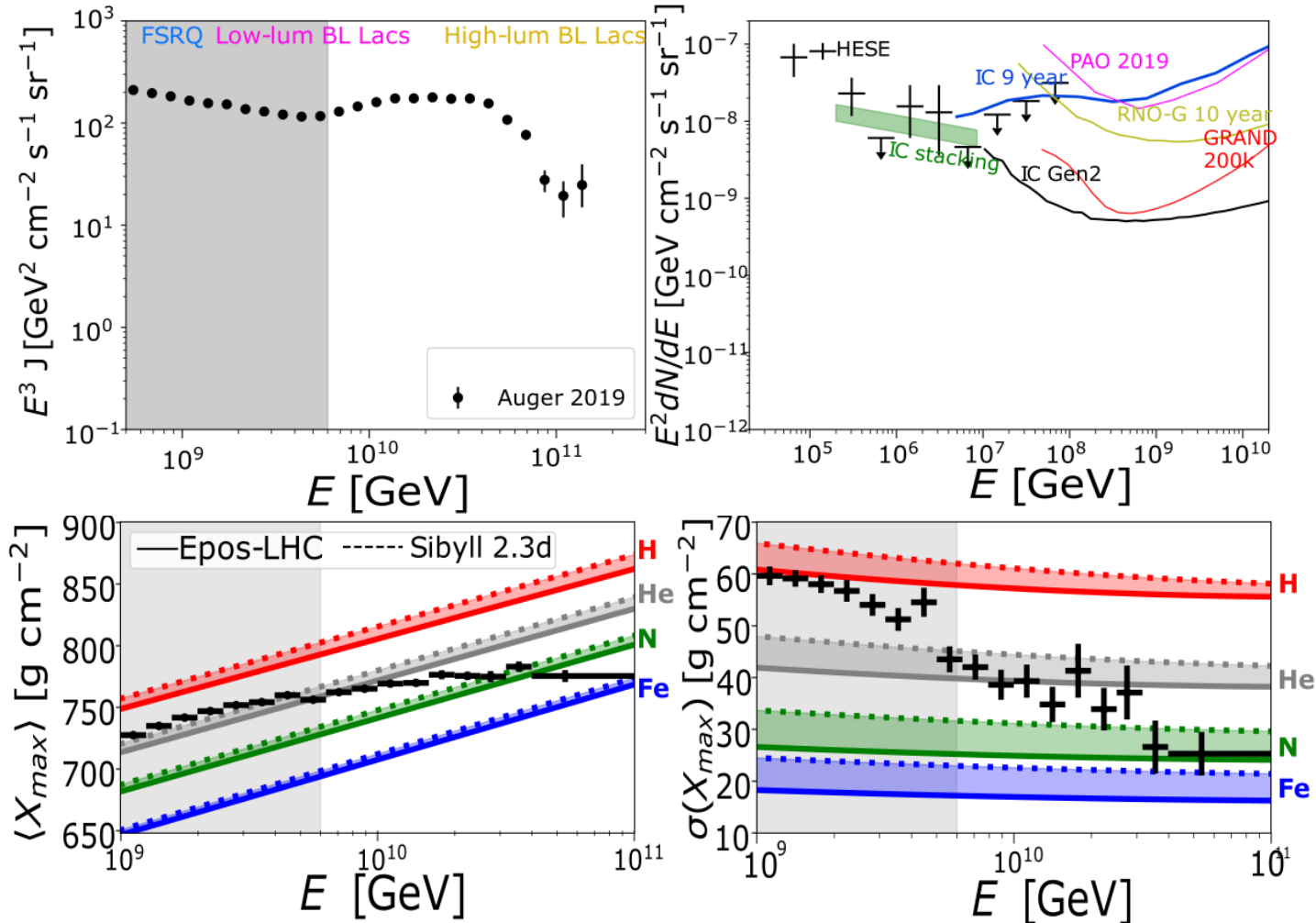
- Direct output from source modeling
- 4 injected elements to jetted-AGN (H, He, N, F)
- Up to 83 except elements
- Energy range:
 10^3 - 10^{14} GeV with 8 bins per decade
- Redshift dependency from FSRQ and BL Lacs distributions

Data:

- Auger spectrum and composition 2019
- Ice Cube spectrum and limits

Setup

UHECR and neutrino data



We use EPOS-LHC and SIBYLL2.3d air-shower models

χ^2 used to estimate goodness of fit and find best parameters:

$$\chi^2 = \chi_{spectrum}^2 + \chi_{\langle X_{max} \rangle}^2 + \chi_{\sigma(X_{max})}^2 + \chi_{nu}^2 + \left(\frac{\delta_E}{\sigma_E}\right)^2$$

Spoiler: $\chi_{nu}^2 = 0$

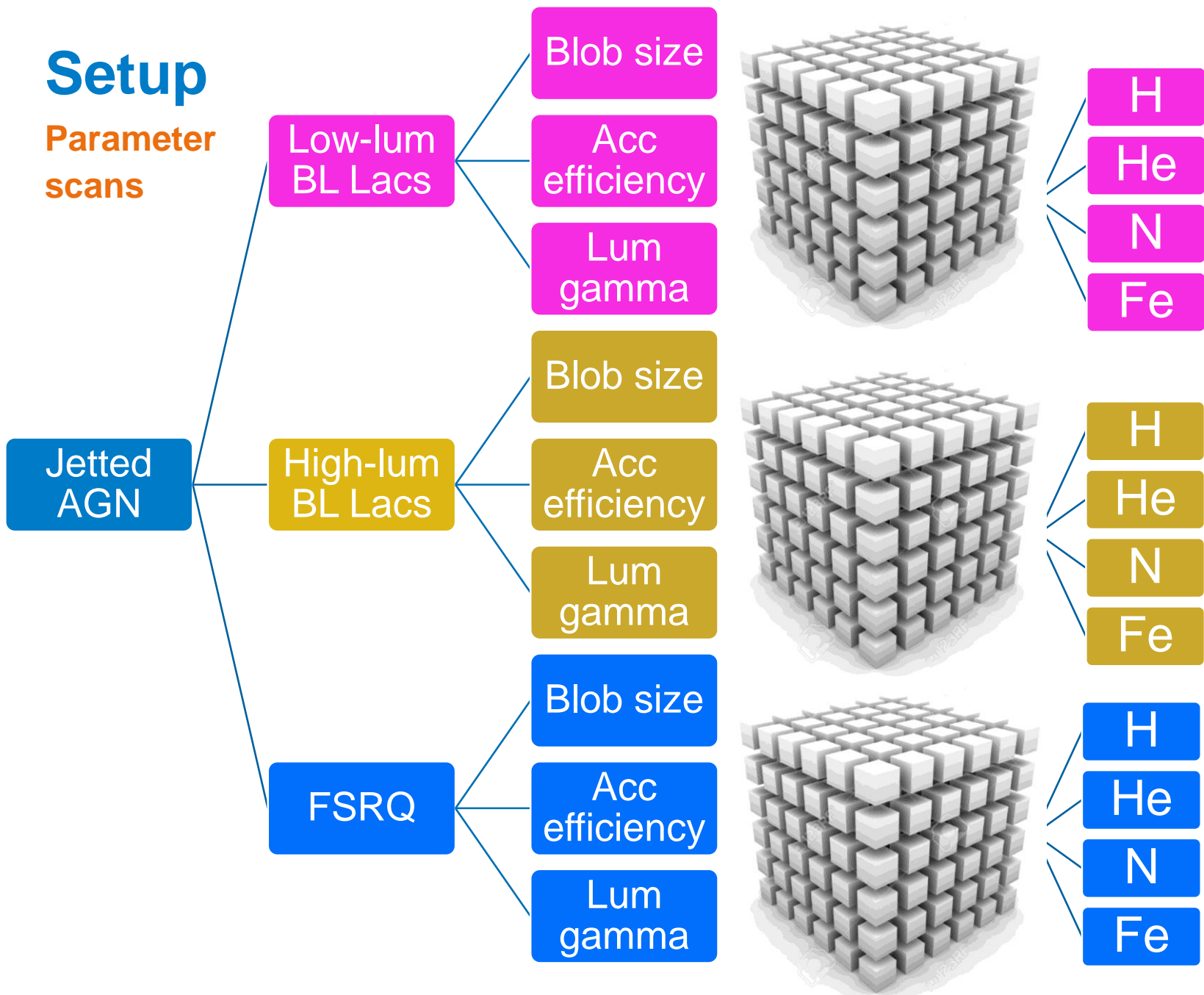
Akaike information criterion (AICc) used to compare different models:

$$AICc = \chi^2 + 2k + \frac{2k^2 + 2k}{N - k - 1}$$

N – number of data points (37)
k – number of free parameters (7-19)

Setup

Parameter scans



4096 simulated model files from source modeling

Fe: up to 83 different escaped spectrums



Setup

Jetted AGN

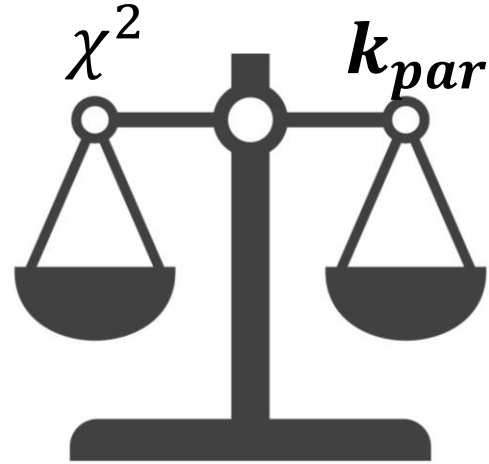
Low-lum BL Lacs

Blob size

Acc efficiency

Composition

15 models
x 2 air-shower model
500 CPU days



Akaike information criterion



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High-lum BL Lacs

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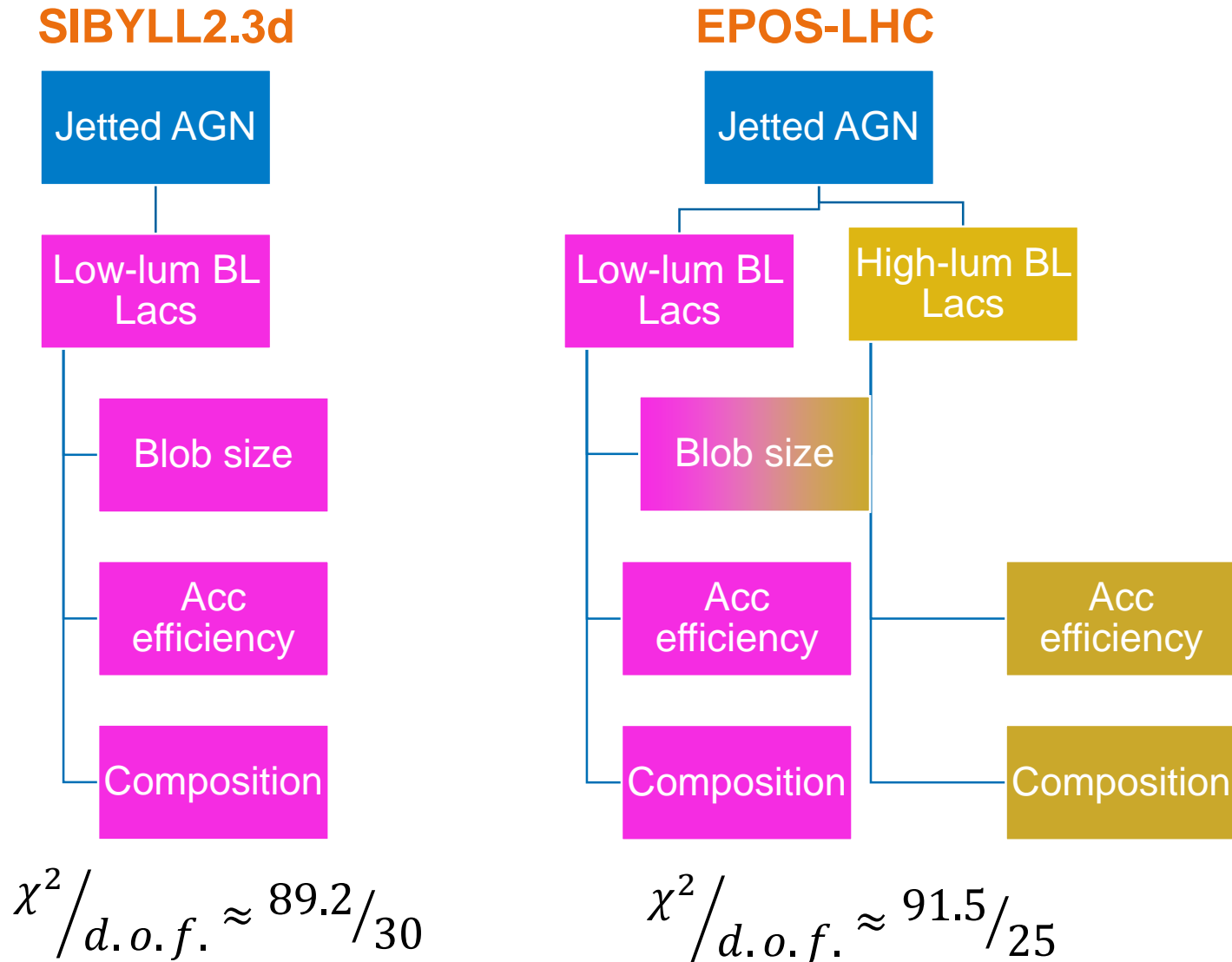
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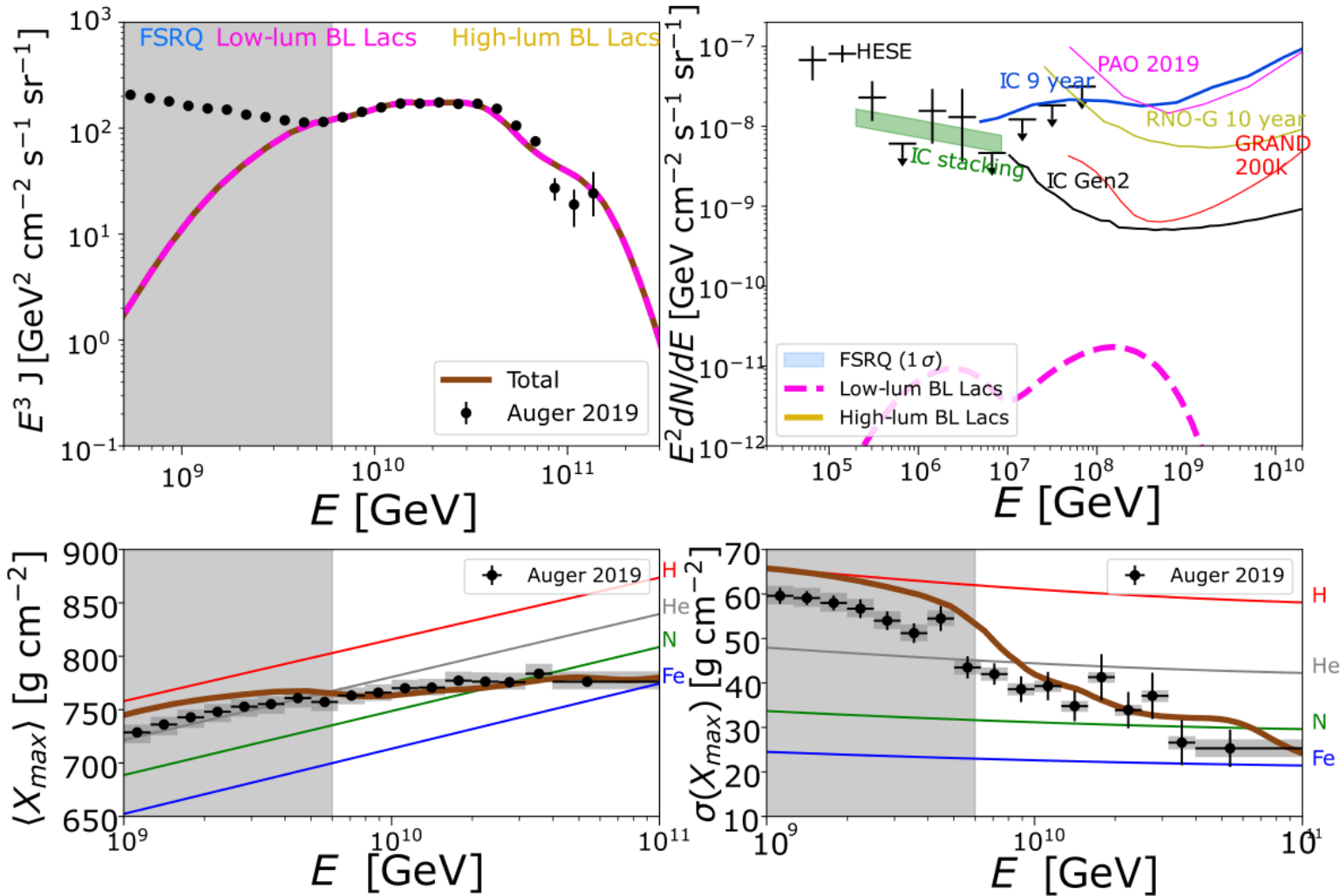
Results



1. Results strongly depend on the air shower model.
2. Low-lum BL Lacs are the main source of UHECR (local sources)
3. FSRQs are excluded for both scenarios
4. The fits are not sensitive to some elements

Results

SIBYLL2.3d: best fit



1. Low-lum BL Lacs can explain UHECR data
2. No diffuse neutrinos

Baryonic loading 42.5

H: 21 %

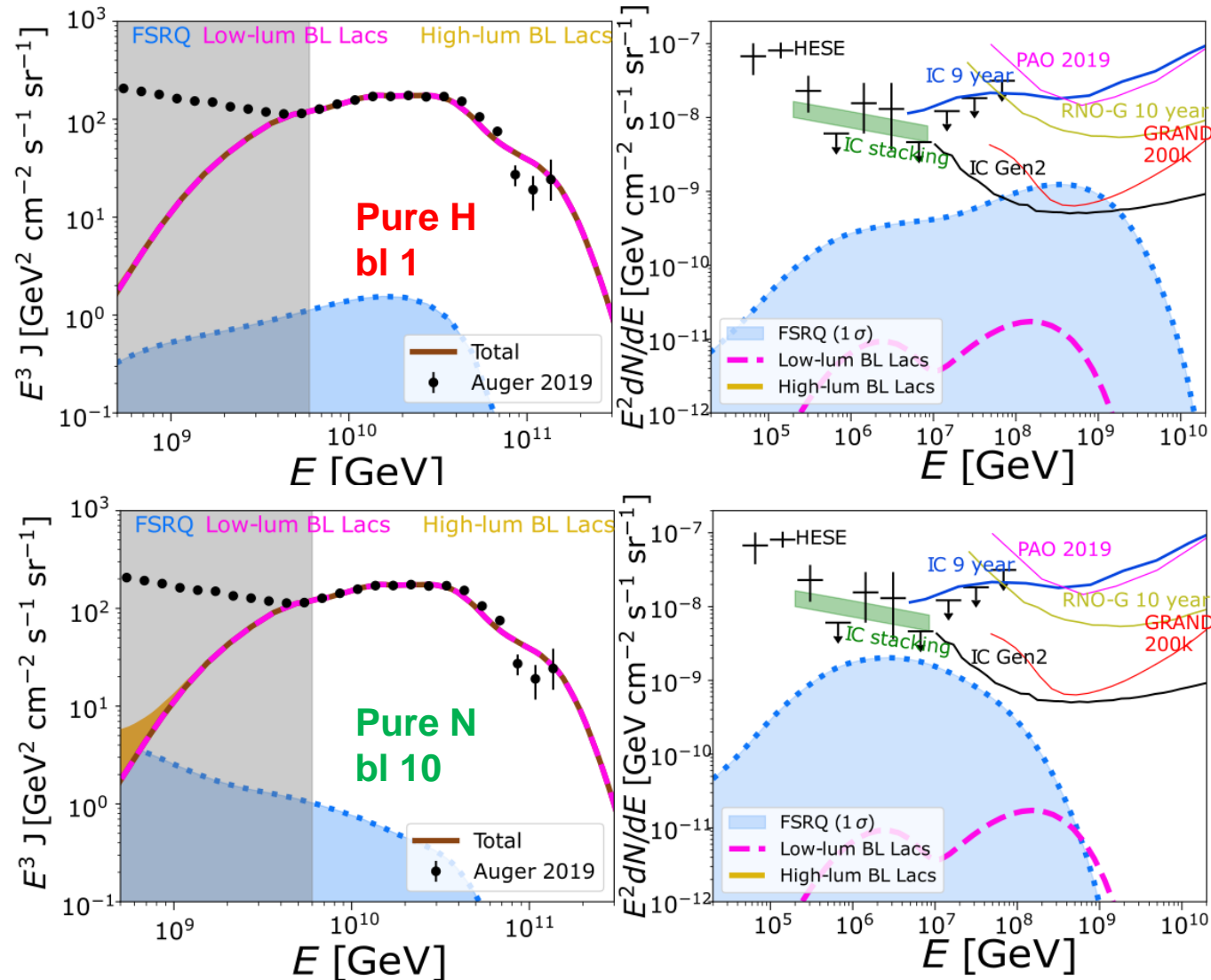
He: not sensitive

N: not sensitive

Fe: 79%

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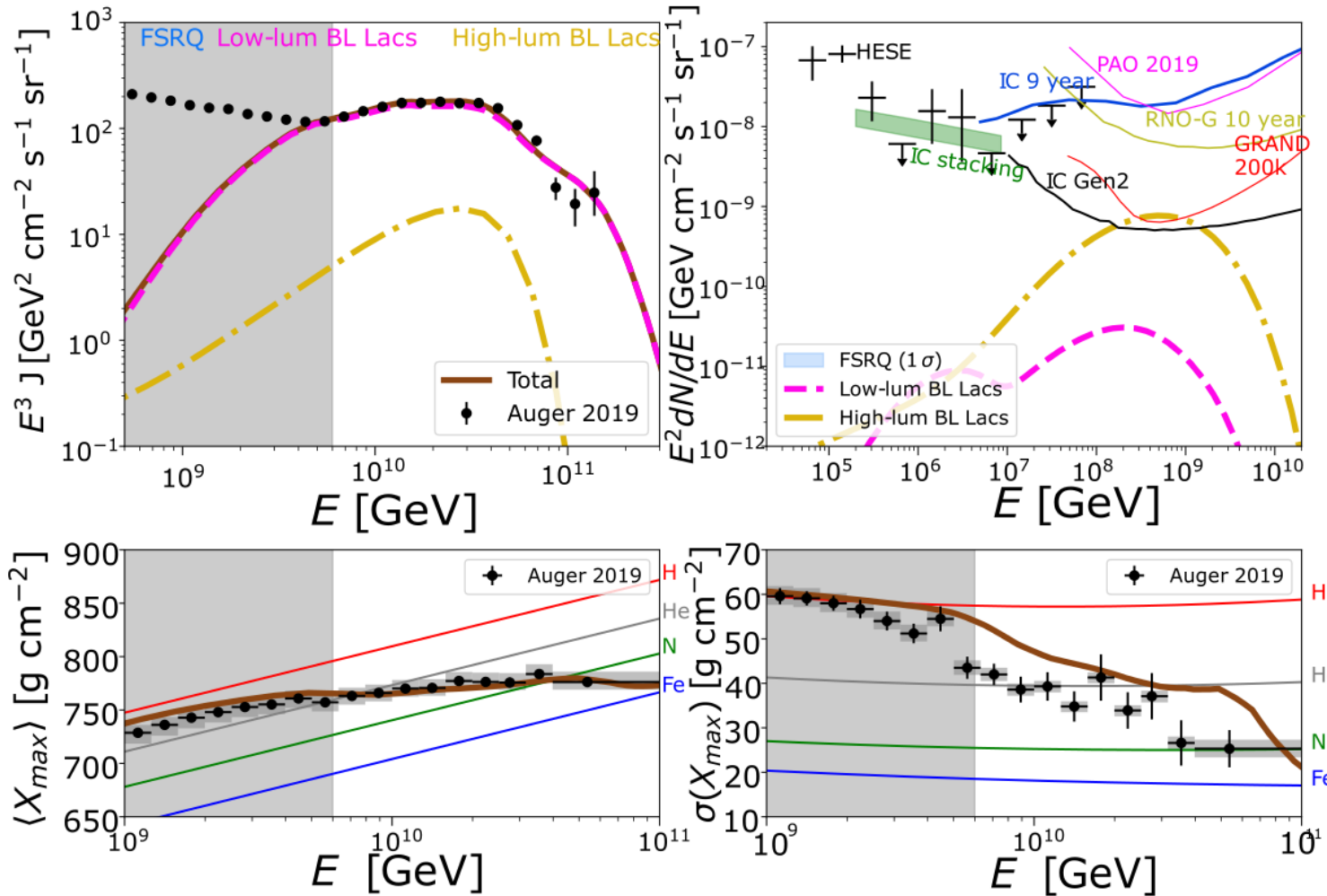
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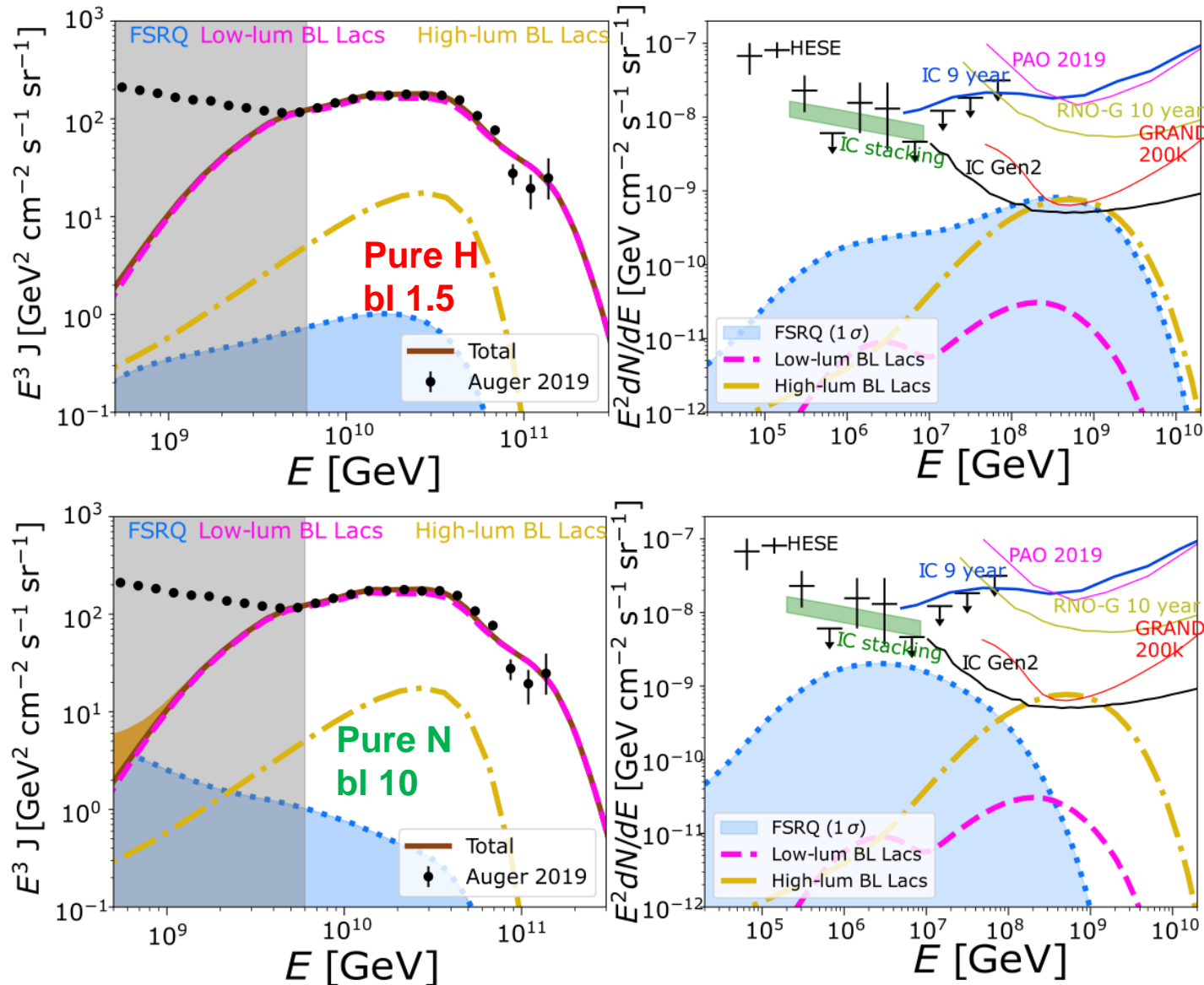


1. Low-lum BL Lacs is explain contributor of UHECRs
2. Small fraction of High-lum BL Lacs is needed
3. Diffuse neutrino from High-lum BL Lacs

	Low-lum	High-lum
bl:	35.8	1.8
H:	9 %	100%
He:	not sensitive	not sensitive
N:	85%	not sensitive
Fe:	6%	not sensitive

Results

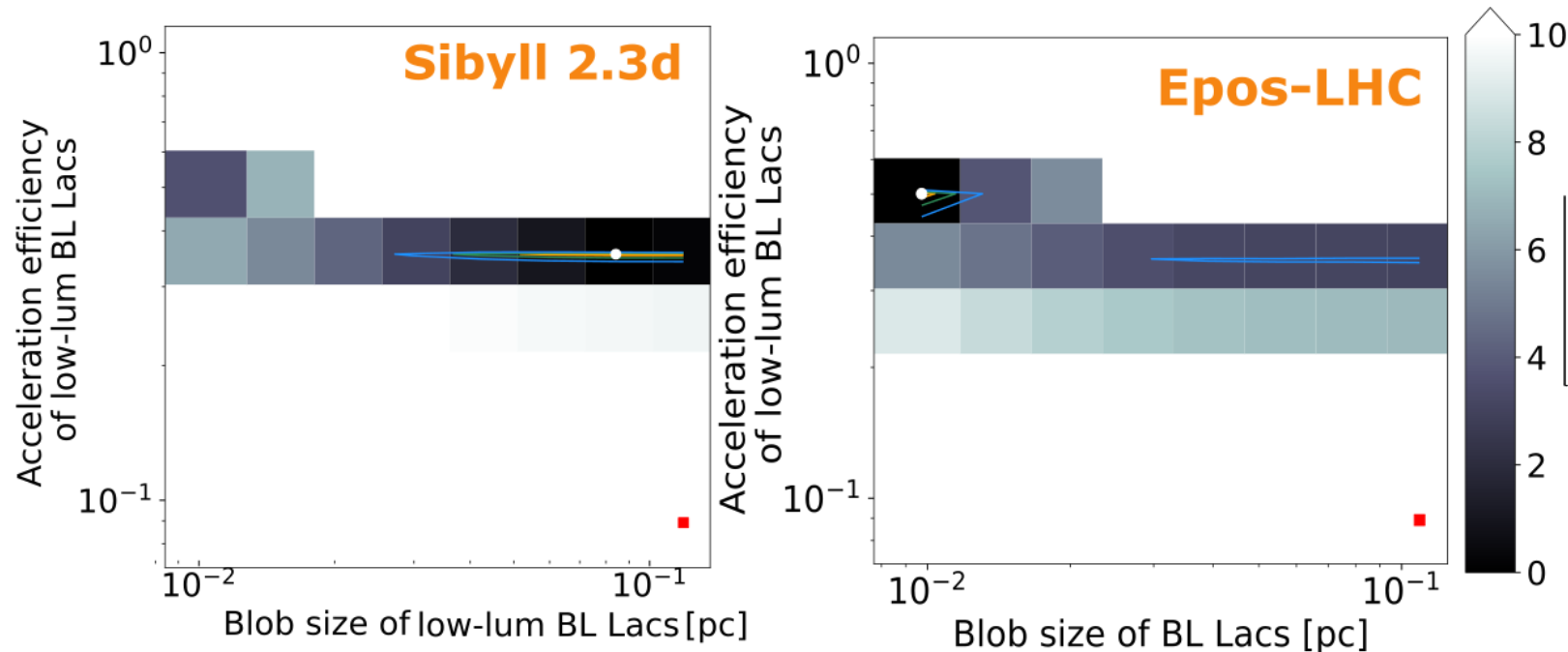
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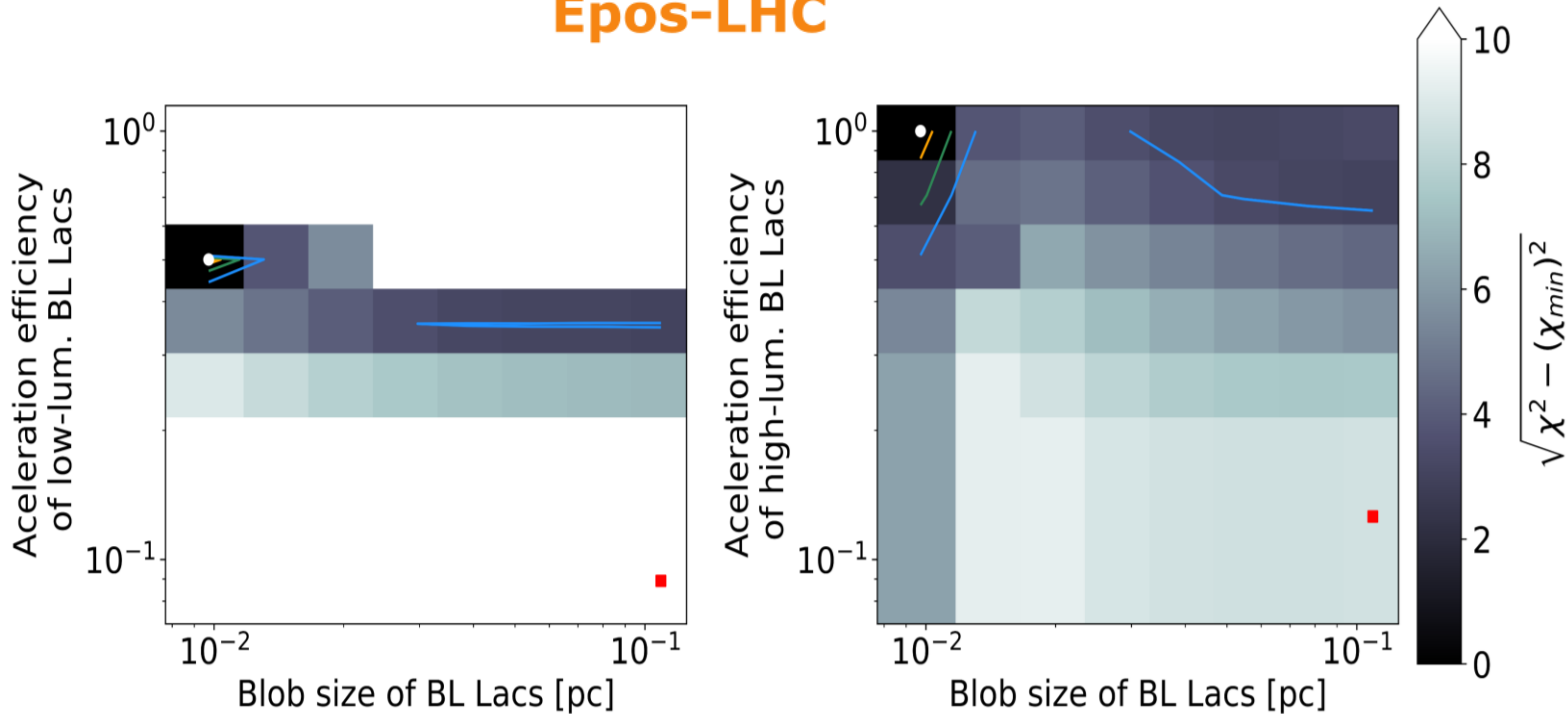
1. Good constraints on acceleration efficiency
2. Blob size is different for two air-shower models
3. Parameters are different

	Sibyll2.3d	Epos-LHC
bl:	<42.5	<35.8
H:	21 %	9 %
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Results

Parameters of high-lum BL Lacs

Epos-LHC

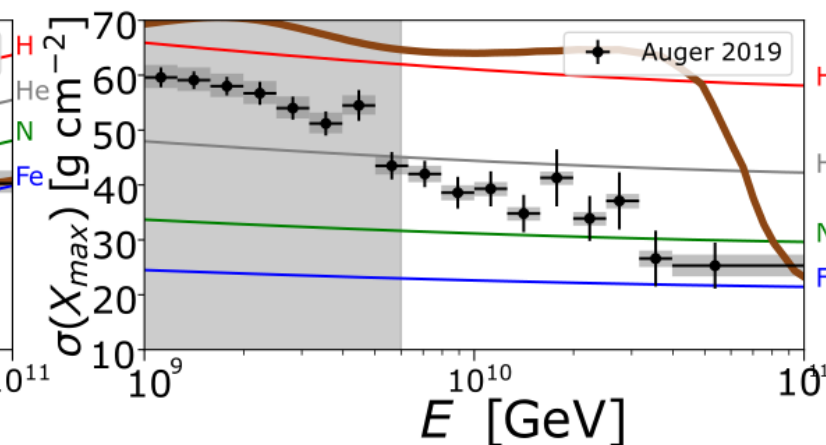
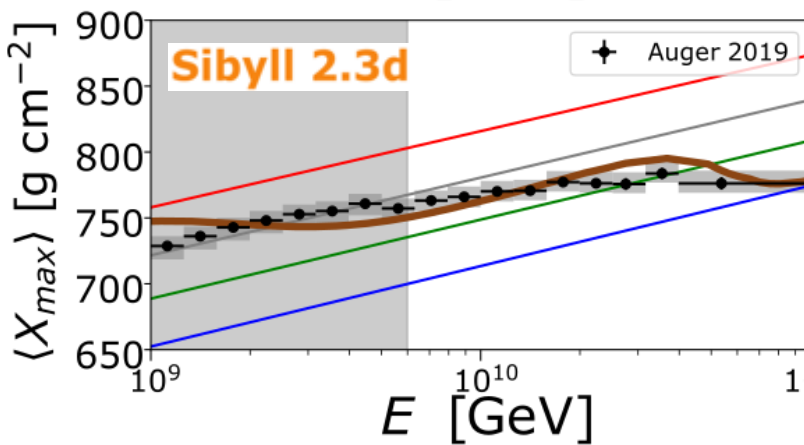
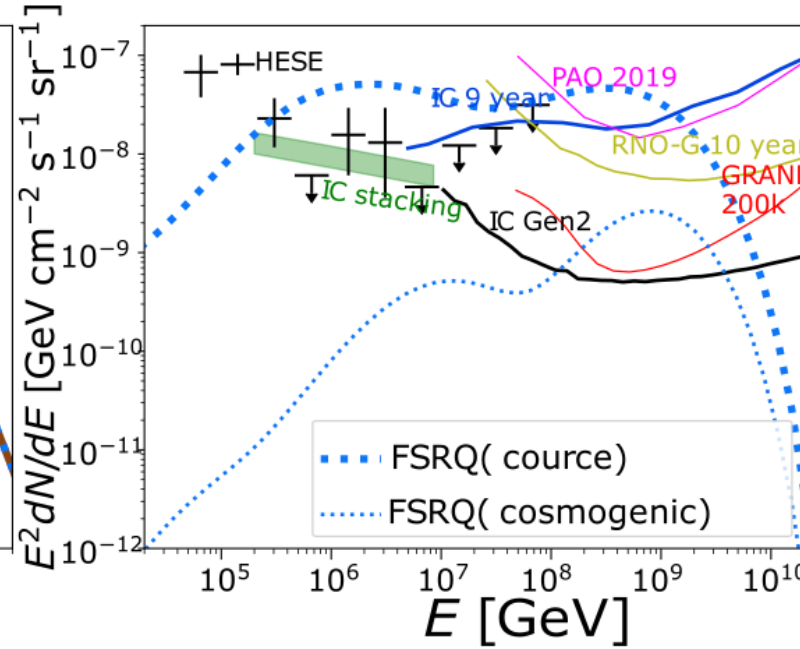
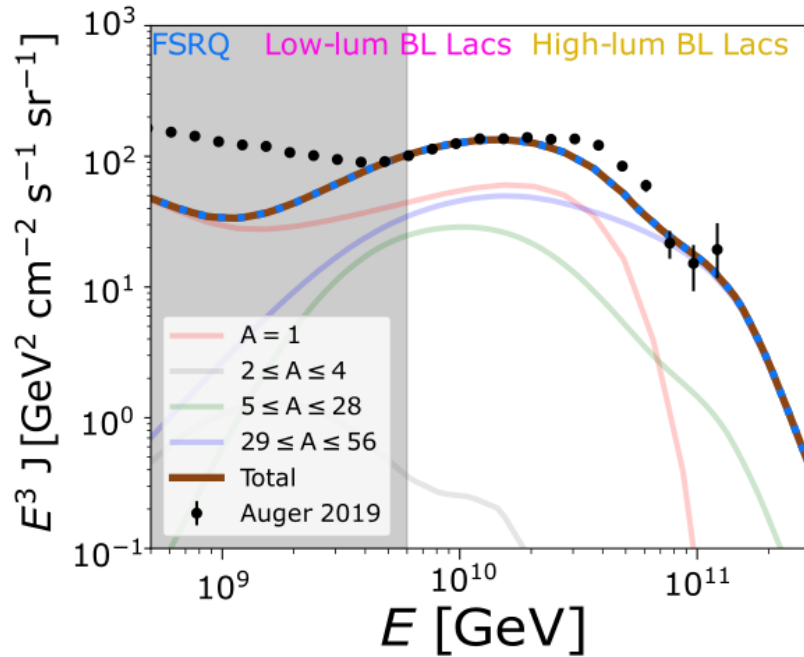


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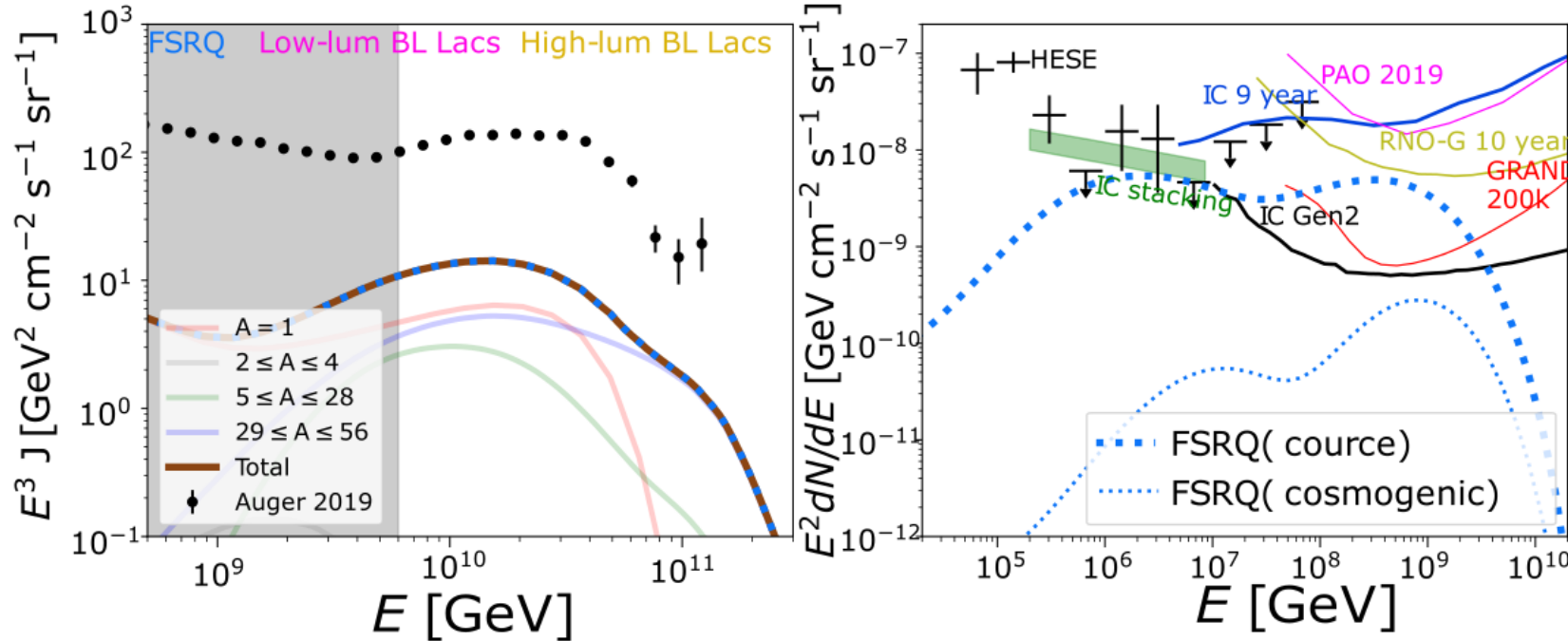
High-lum BL Lacs and FSRQ



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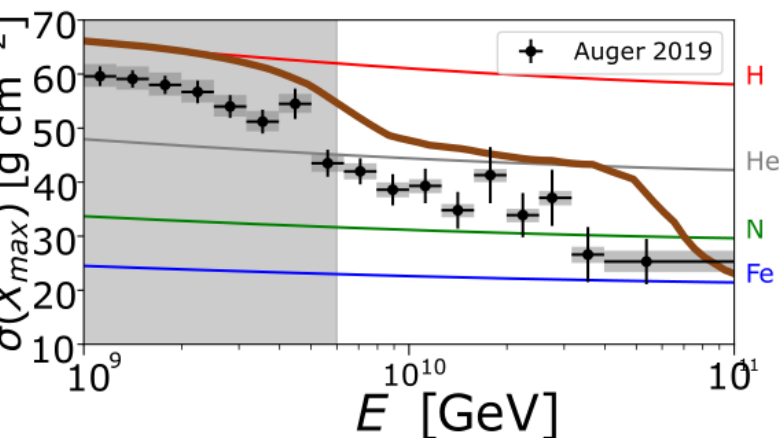
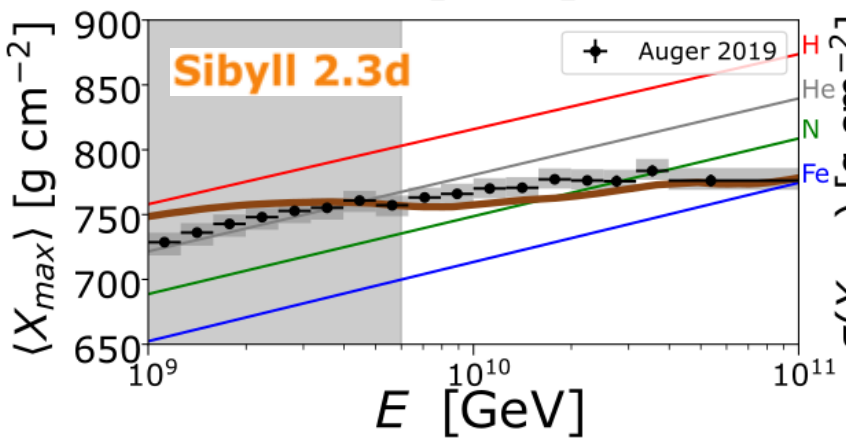
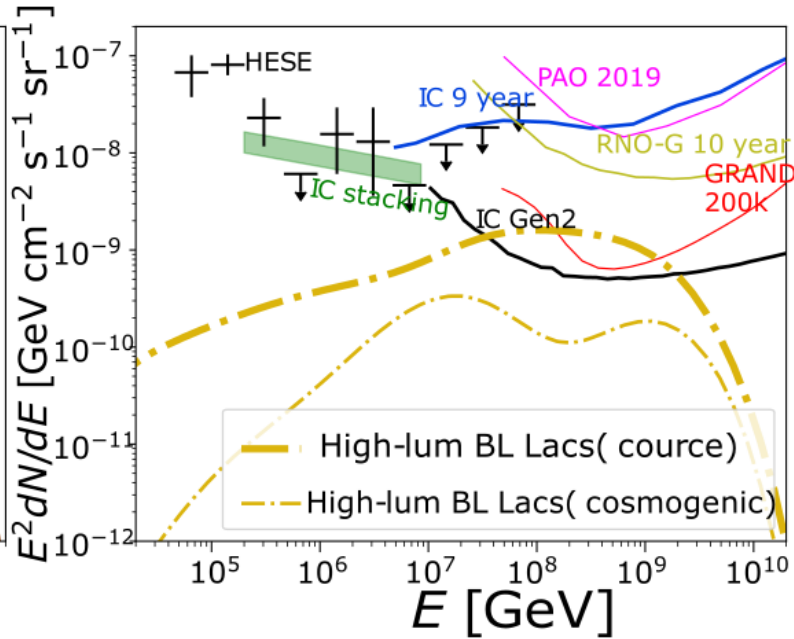
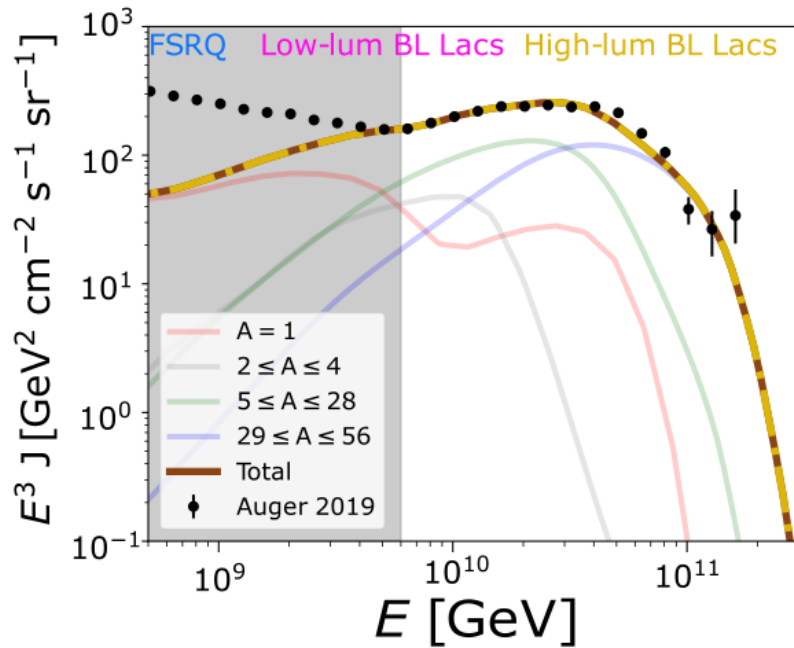


Sibyll 2.3d

1. FSRQ can not be UHECR source
2. $\chi^2 / d.o.f. \approx 1084 / 31$
3. Baryonic loading <40

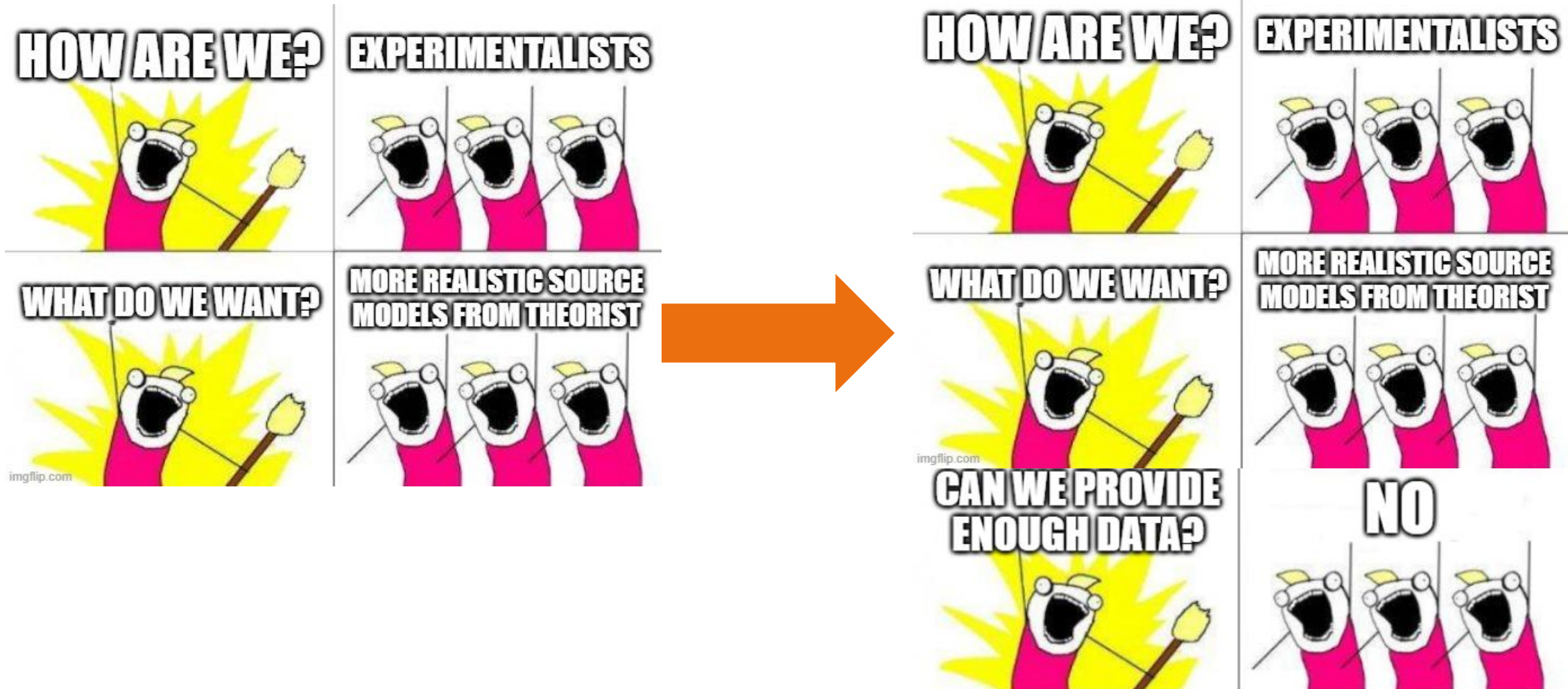
Results

High-lum BL Lacs and FSRQ



1. FSRQ can not be UHECR source
2. $\chi^2/d.o.f. \approx 188.4/30$
3. Baryonic loading < 243
4. Cosmogenic flux from jetted AGN is too low for all cases

Take-home messages



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Jetted AGN can explain the UHECR data

Results strongly depend on air shower model

EPOS-LHC:

1. UHECR from Low- and High-lum BL Lacs
2. High neutrino flux

SIBYLL 2.3d:

1. UHECRs from Low-lum BL Lacs
2. Low neutrino flux

FSRQs are free source of neutrinos

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Open technical questions

- How to compare models to each other. “ This model A is 3 sigma better compared to model B”
- How to calculate composition errors and consider the correlation between the fraction of injected elements.
- How properly put upper limits on contributions of FSRQ