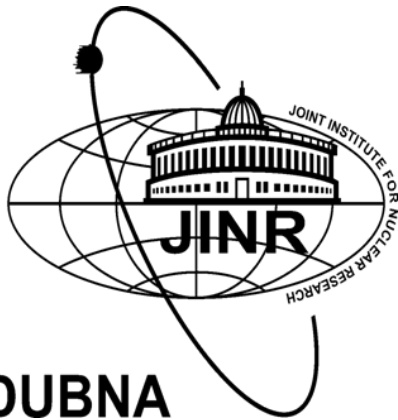


MCORD - CREDO Synergy under the NICA Experiment Framework

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Outline

- Introduction to scientific goals.
- Studying Astrophysical sources of UHECRs
- Introduction to CREDO: multi-messenger astronomy
- Earthquakes/cosmic rays: precursors
- Dense matter studies through observations of compact stars and theoretical inputs
- Other possible applications

Scientific goals

- Search for Cosmic Ray Ensembles, fundamental physics studies.
- CREs produced nearby the Sun and the vicinity of neutron stars and black holes
- Study ultra-high-energy particles accelerated by black holes: magnetic Penrose-process
- Tests of space-time structure and variation of physical constants
- Understanding the relation of cosmic rays detections with seismological data: earthquake precursors
- Dense Matter studies through observations of compact stars and testing of theoretical models: Equation of State

Invitation to the Cosmic Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory

CREDO  + you = stronger together
THE QUEST FOR THE UNEXPECTED

CREDO
JOURNEY





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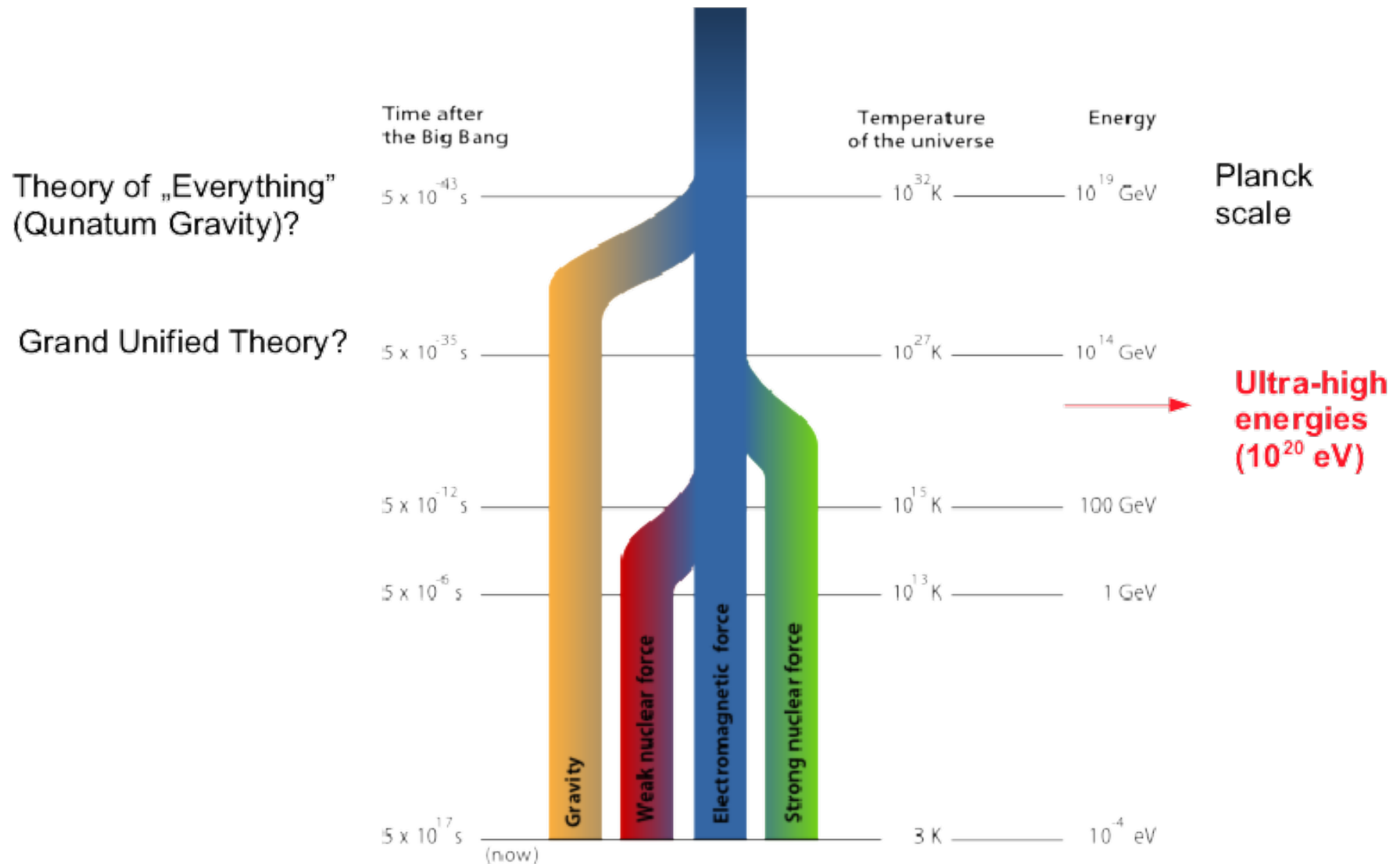
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Strategy (**what?**)

Tactics (**how?**)

„Beyond“

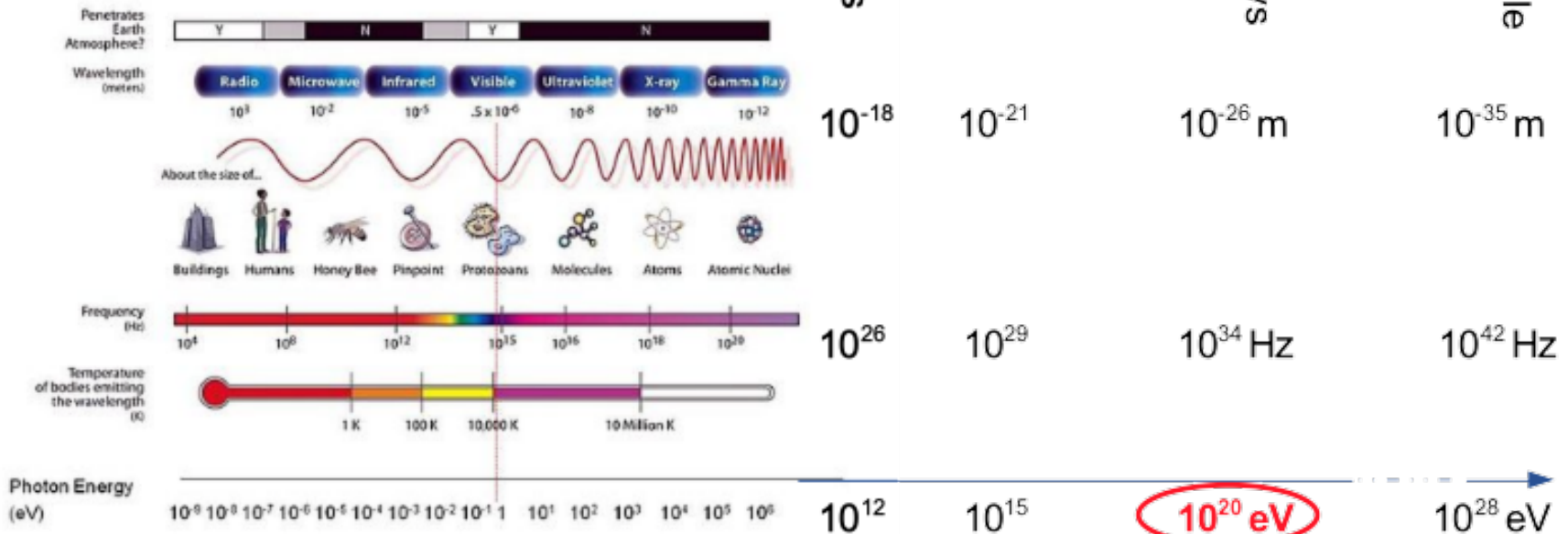
Energy: the higher the better?



Energy!

Photons

THE ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM



| Accelerators | Gamma astronomy | Cosmic rays | Planck scale |
|--------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| 10^{-18} | 10^{-21} | 10^{-26} m | 10^{-35} m |
| 10^{26} | 10^{29} | 10^{34} Hz | 10^{42} Hz |
| 10^{12} | 10^{15} | 10^{20} eV | 10^{28} eV |

The highest energy of a particle ever observed

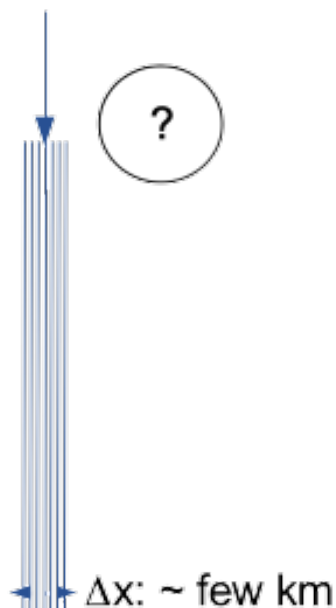
$\sim 10^{20}$ eV

≈ 16 J
(1 eV = 1.6×10^{-19} J)

\approx 
150 km/h

$N_{\text{ATM}} \geq 1$: untouched ground

γ_{UHE}
(e.g. 10^{20} eV)

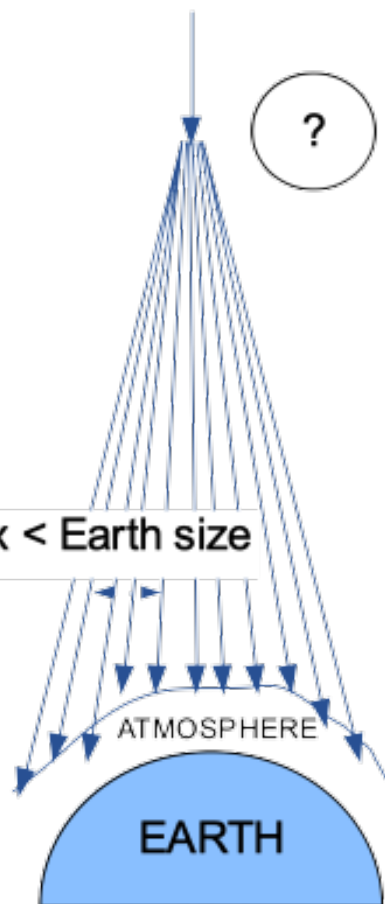


**obvious
detection**

γ_{UHE}
(e.g. 10^{20} eV)



$\Delta x < \text{Earth size}$

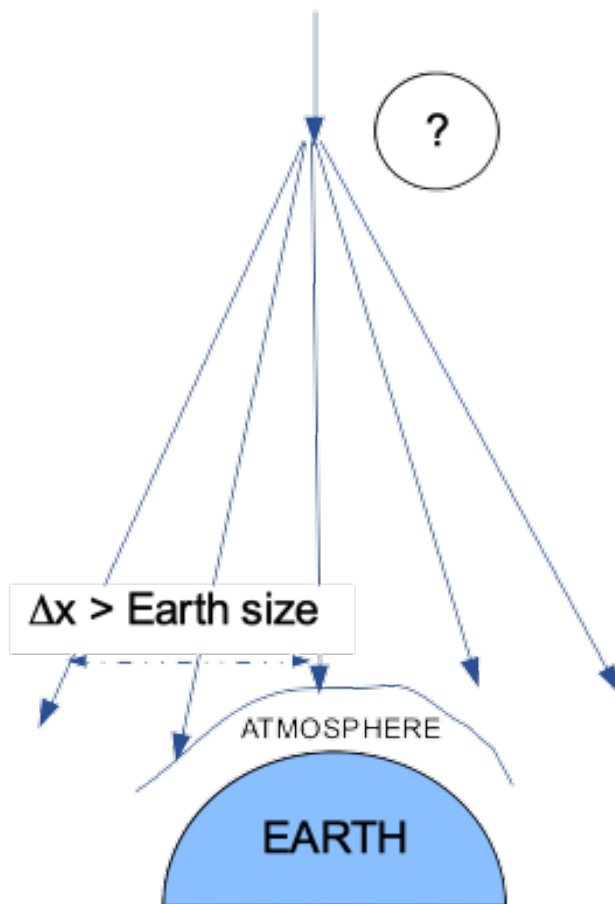


**obvious
(unchecked)
„between”**

γ_{UHE}
(e.g. 10^{20} eV)



$\Delta x > \text{Earth size}$



**obvious
extinction**

Studying the Variation of Fundamental Constants at The Cosmic Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory

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The Study of the Variation of Fundamental Constants through time or in localized regions of space is one of the goals of the The Cosmic Ray Extremely Distributed Observatory which consists of multiple detectors over the Earth. In this letter, the various effects which can be potentially identified through cosmic rays detections by CREDO are presented.

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CRE and Lorentz Invariance Violation

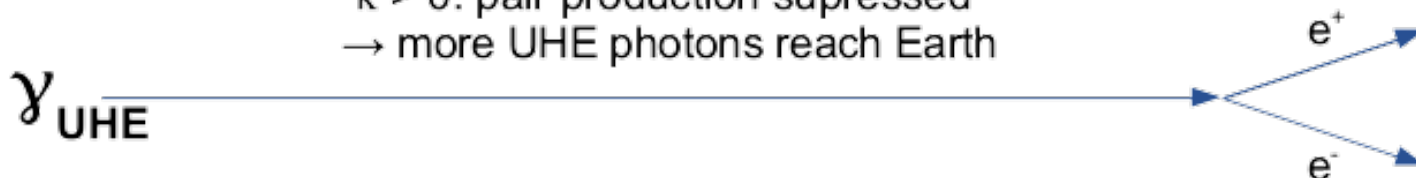
Modified dispersion relation of a photon:

$$E_\gamma(\vec{k}) = \sqrt{\frac{(1 - \kappa)}{(1 + \kappa)}} |\vec{k}|$$

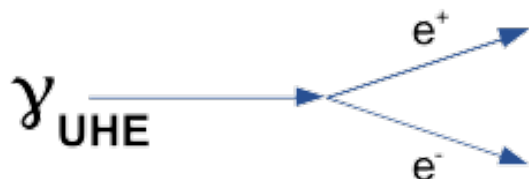
limits from gamma-ray astronomy,
98% C.L. (Klinkhamer & Schreck, 2008):

$$6 \times 10^{-20} > \kappa > -9 \times 10^{-16}$$

$\kappa > 0$: pair production suppressed
→ more UHE photons reach Earth



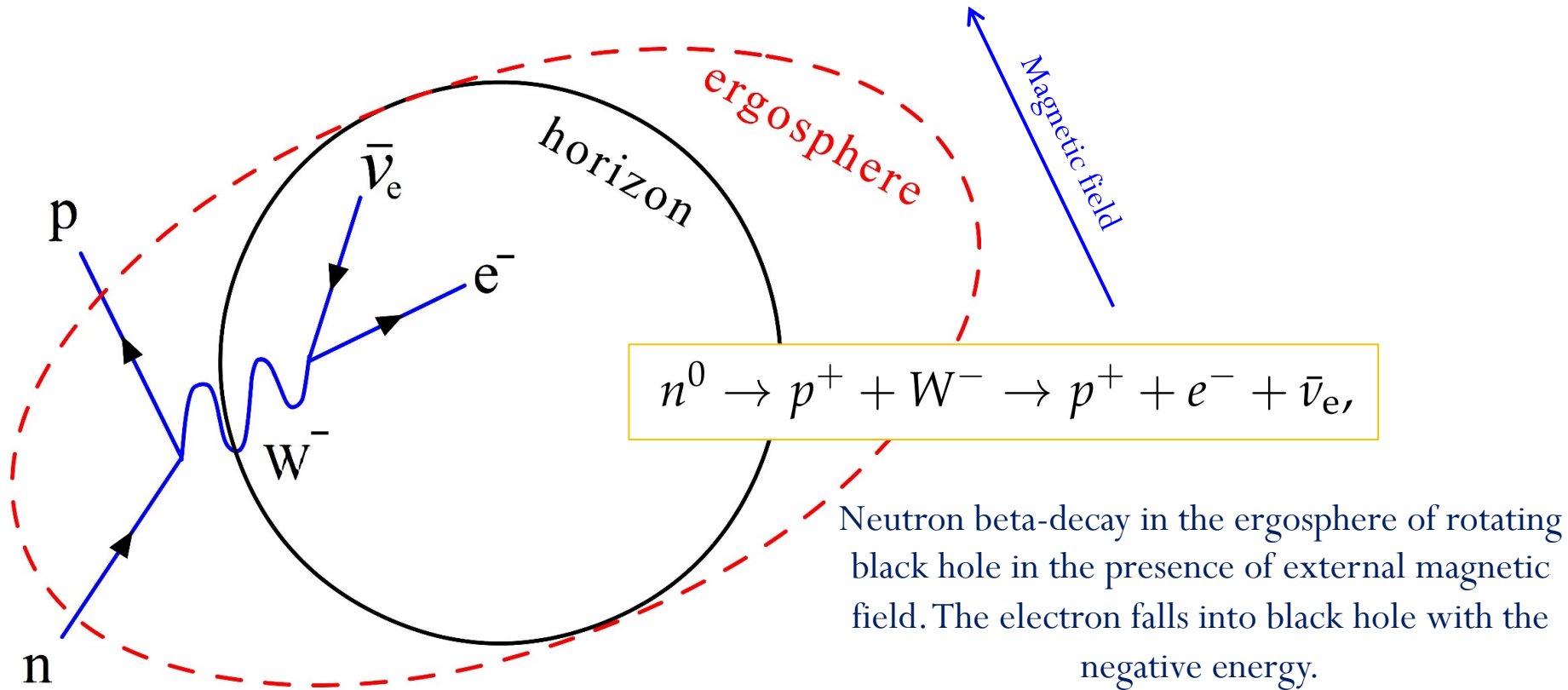
$\kappa = 0$: „normal“ pair production



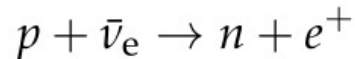
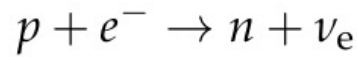
$\kappa < 0$: pair production enhanced
(photon lifetime ~ 1 sec.!)
→ no UHE photons reach Earth

→ critical importance for the UHE photon search!
Observation of **photon cascades** would point to $\kappa < 0$!

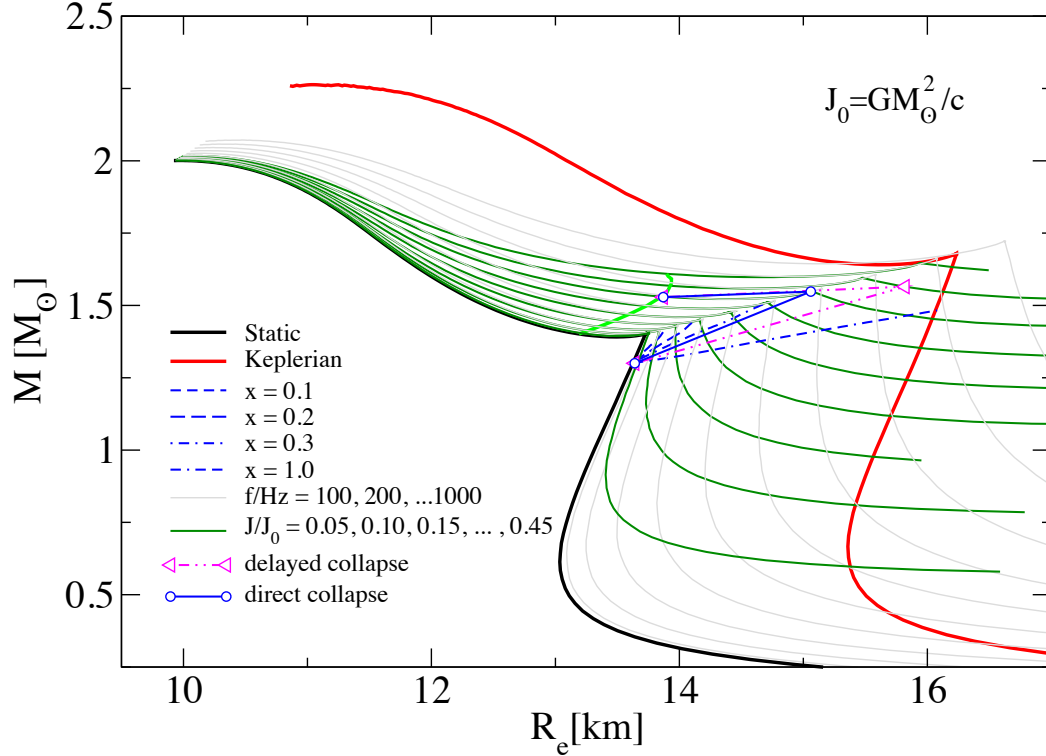
Beta-decay in ergosphere



In the hot and dense torus, with temperature of $\sim 10^{11}$ K and density $> 10^{10}$ g·cm $^{-3}$, neutrinos are efficiently produced. The main reactions that lead to their emission are the electron/positron capture on nucleons, as well as the neutron decay. Their nuclear equilibrium is described by the following reactions:



Spin frequency vs gravitational mass of the hybrid star at birth



$$ds^2 = -e^\nu \left[1 + 2(h_0 + h_2 P_2) \right] dt^2 + e^\lambda \left[1 + \frac{2(m_0 + m_2 P_2)}{r - 2M} \right] dr^2 + r^2 \left[1 + 2(v_2 - h_2) P_2 \right] \left[d\theta^2 + \sin^2(\theta) (d\phi - \omega dt)^2 \right] + O(\Omega^3),$$

$$\frac{dJ}{dM_b} = l_{\text{tot}} = \kappa l(r_0) - l_m,$$

$$l_m = \frac{\mu^2}{9r_0^3 \dot{M}_b} \left(3 - 2\sqrt{\frac{r_c^3}{r_0^3}} \right)$$

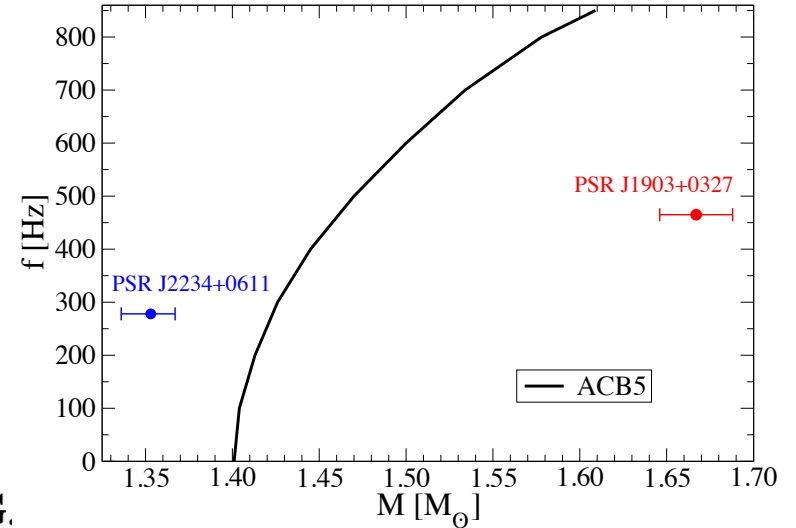
$$\frac{1}{\Omega r} \frac{dl}{dr} = \frac{1}{2} f_{ms}(r_0) = \left(\frac{r_m}{r_0} \right)^{7/2} \left(\sqrt{\frac{r_c^3}{r_0^3}} - 1 \right),$$

$$r_m = \frac{\mu^{4/7}}{(GM)^{1/7} \dot{M}_b^{2/7}},$$

$$B(M_{\text{acc}}) = \frac{B_i}{1 + M_{\text{acc}}/m_B}.$$

$$r_c = \left(\frac{GM}{\Omega^2} \right)^{1/3},$$

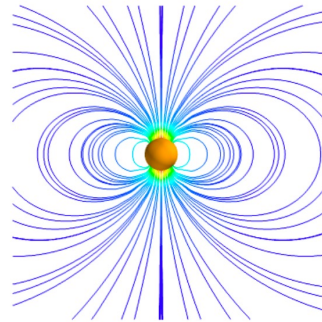
$$0 = f_{ms}(r_{ms}). \quad \dot{M}_b \cong 10^{-9} M_\odot, \quad B_i \cong 10^8 \text{ G}.$$



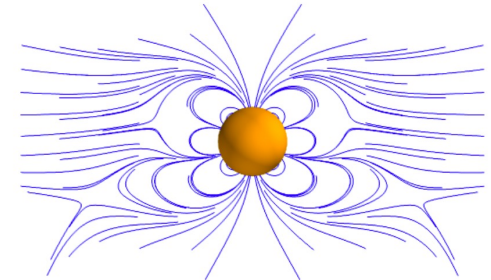
Simulations of SPS at the vicinity of the Sun:

Two approaches to the description of the magnetic field of the Sun:

- Dipole field approximation¹ considering the magnetic moment of the Sun as $M_S = 6.87 \times 10^{32} \text{ G} \cdot \text{cm}^3$.
- Dipole – quadrupole– current sheet² (DQCS) which is more realistic than the dipole model even at larger distances from the Sun. It provides a more accurate tracking of electron-positron pairs on their way towards the Earth, and a better treatment of the magnetic Bremsstrahlung process.



Dipole model

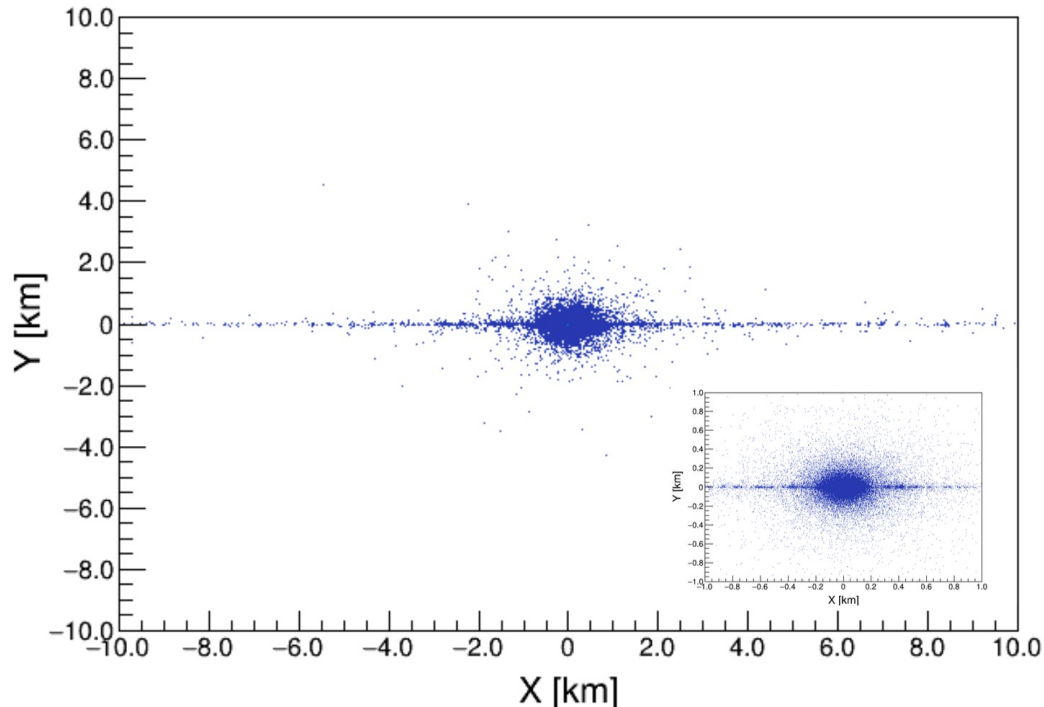


DQCS model

¹W. Bednarek 1999, arXiv:astro-ph/9911266

²Banaszkiewicz et al. 1998, A&A

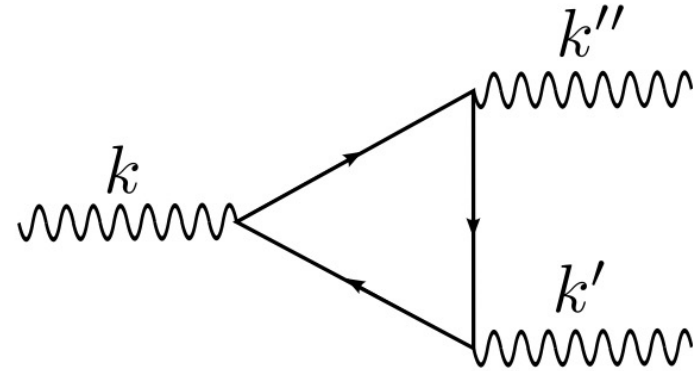
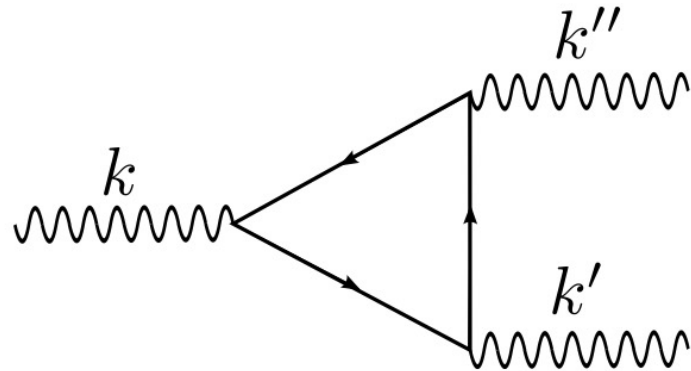
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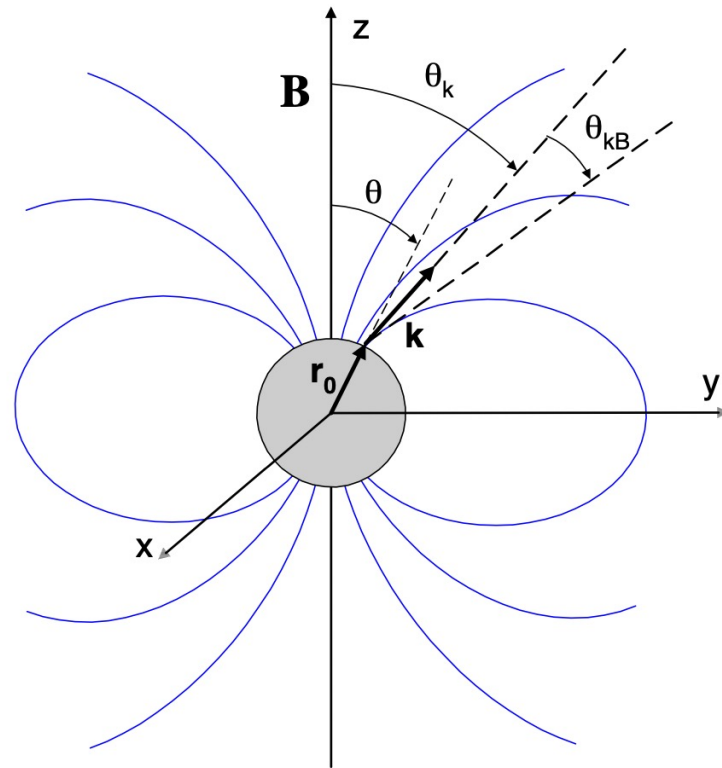
Shower footprint derived from the CORSIKA simulation program for particles that are tracked through the atmosphere that eventually react with air nuclei. The inset displays the core of the footprint in a smaller area.

¹N. Dhital, P. Homola, D. Alvarez-Castillo et al., arXiv:1811.10334

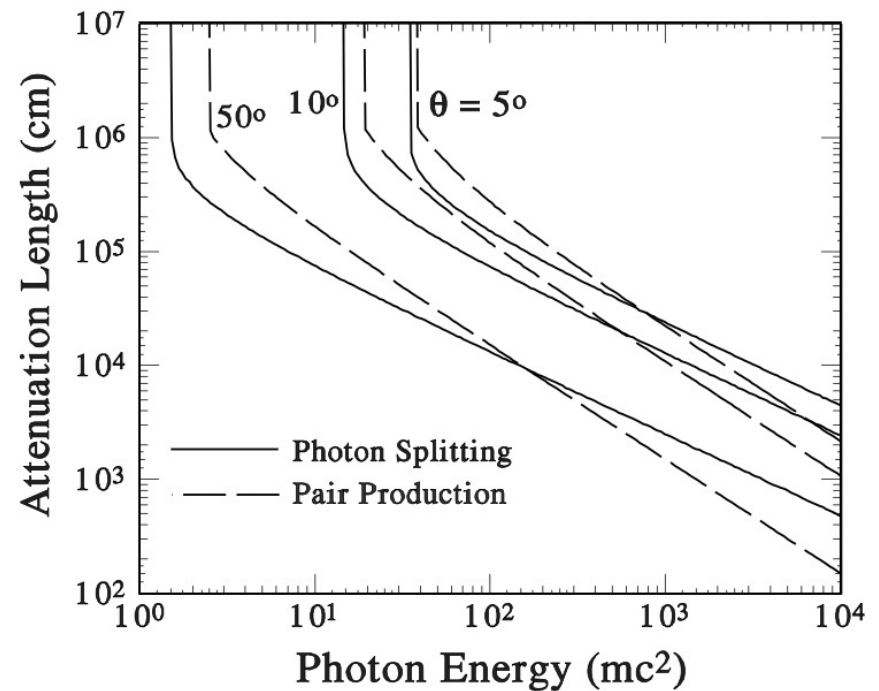
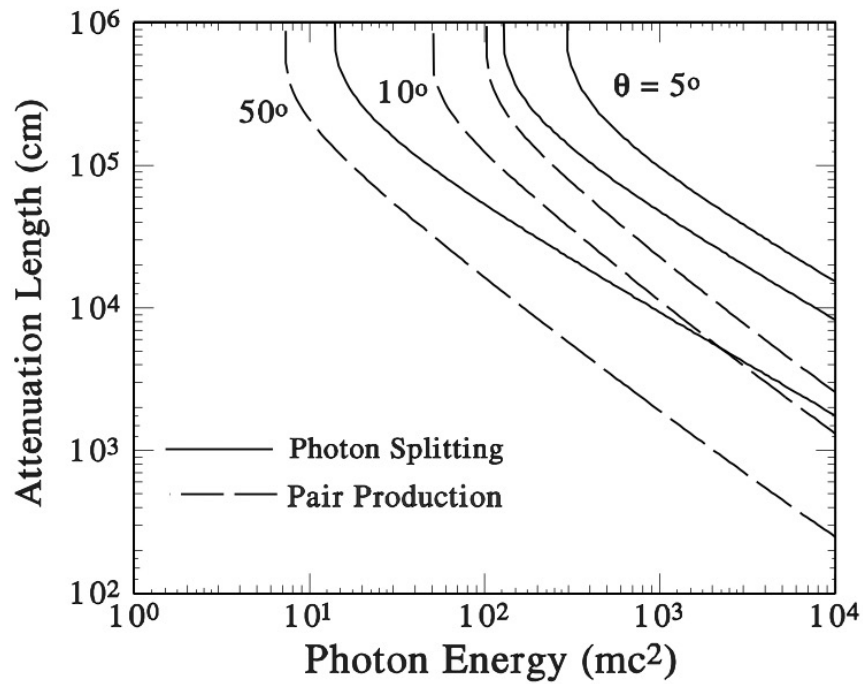
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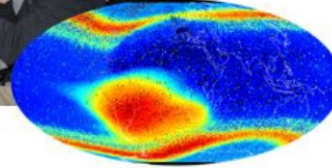
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In space: On board of ISS



Result



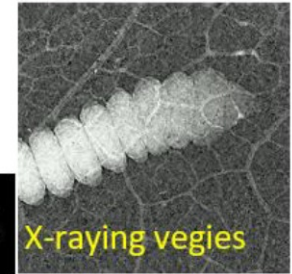
Medical isotopes in the room



Cosmic rays in your office:



Radioactive dust in air conditioning

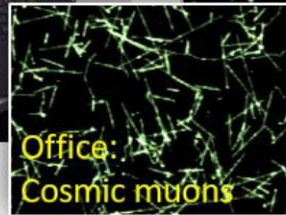


X-raying vegies

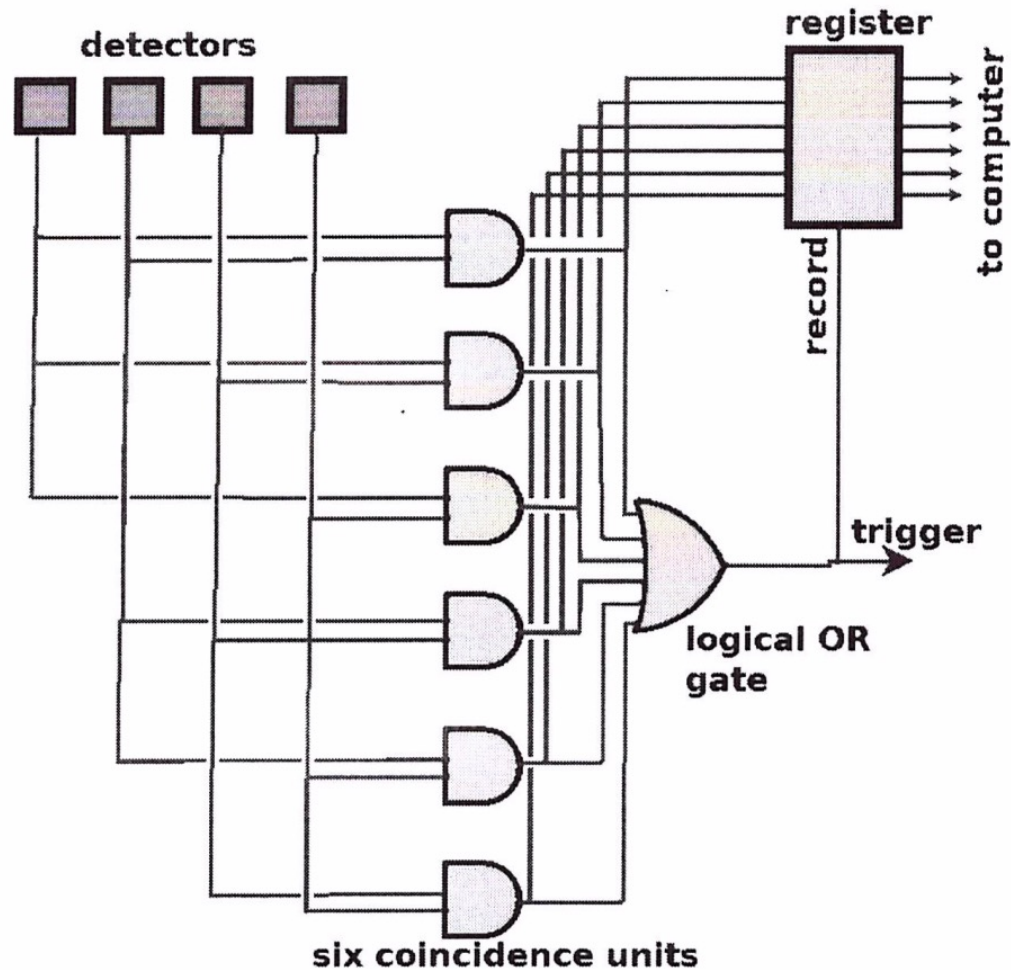
Radon in cellar



Office: Cosmic muons



CREDO-MAZE Detector



Earthquake Precursors

Large scale correlations between cosmic rays and earthquakes presumably related to earthquakes precursors has been observed. The found periodicity is rather similar to the sun spots solar cycle.

Cosmic ray data correspond to the measurements at the Pierre Auger observatory in Malargüe, Argentina, whereas seismic data is taken from Moscow and Oulu stations located in Russia and Finland, respectively.

A 6σ correlation effect has been observed in a period of about 4.5 years. Details can be found in a publication being peer reviewed at the moment and soon to be publicly available.



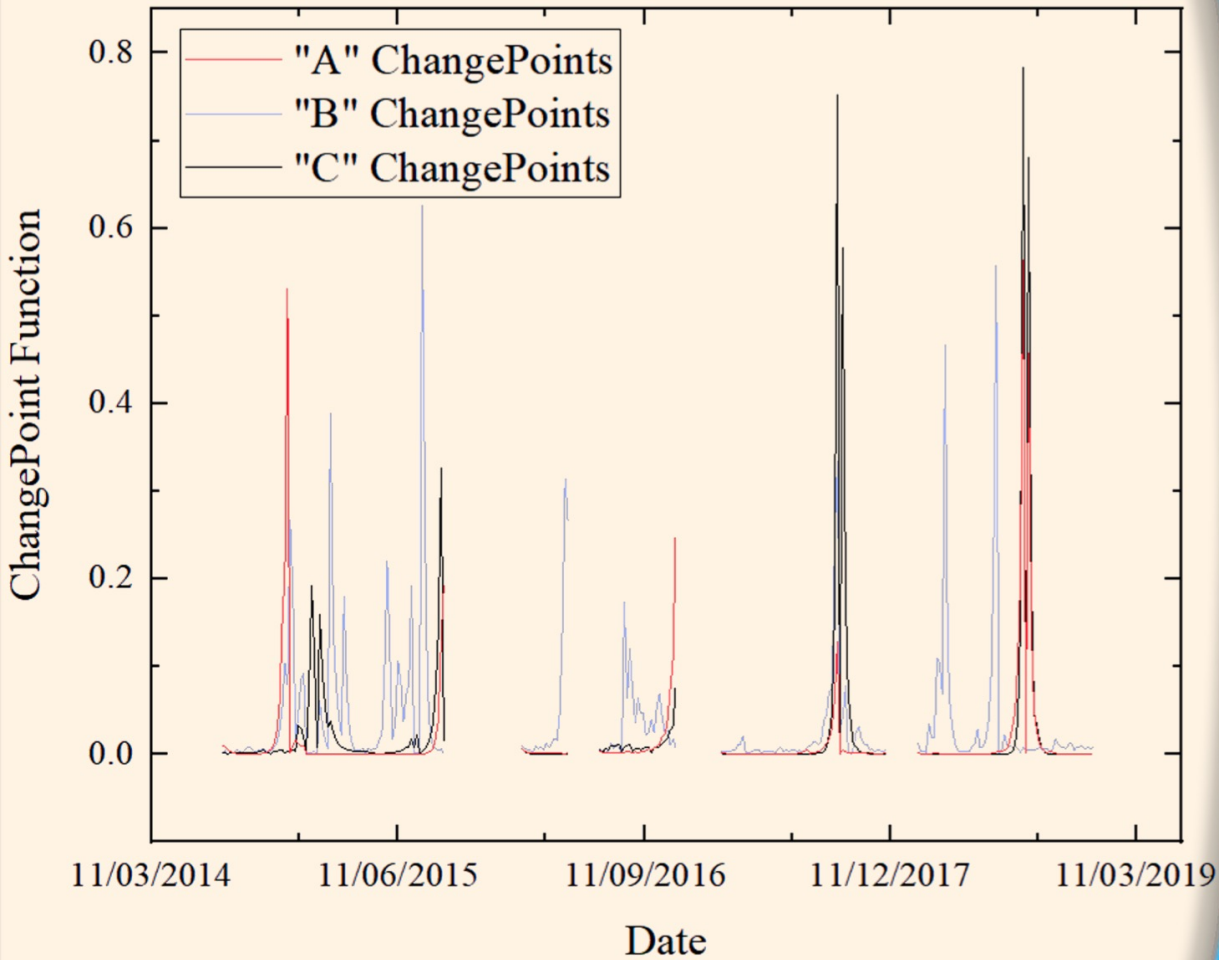
Bayesian Analysis of Cosmic Ray Data for Earthquake Predictions

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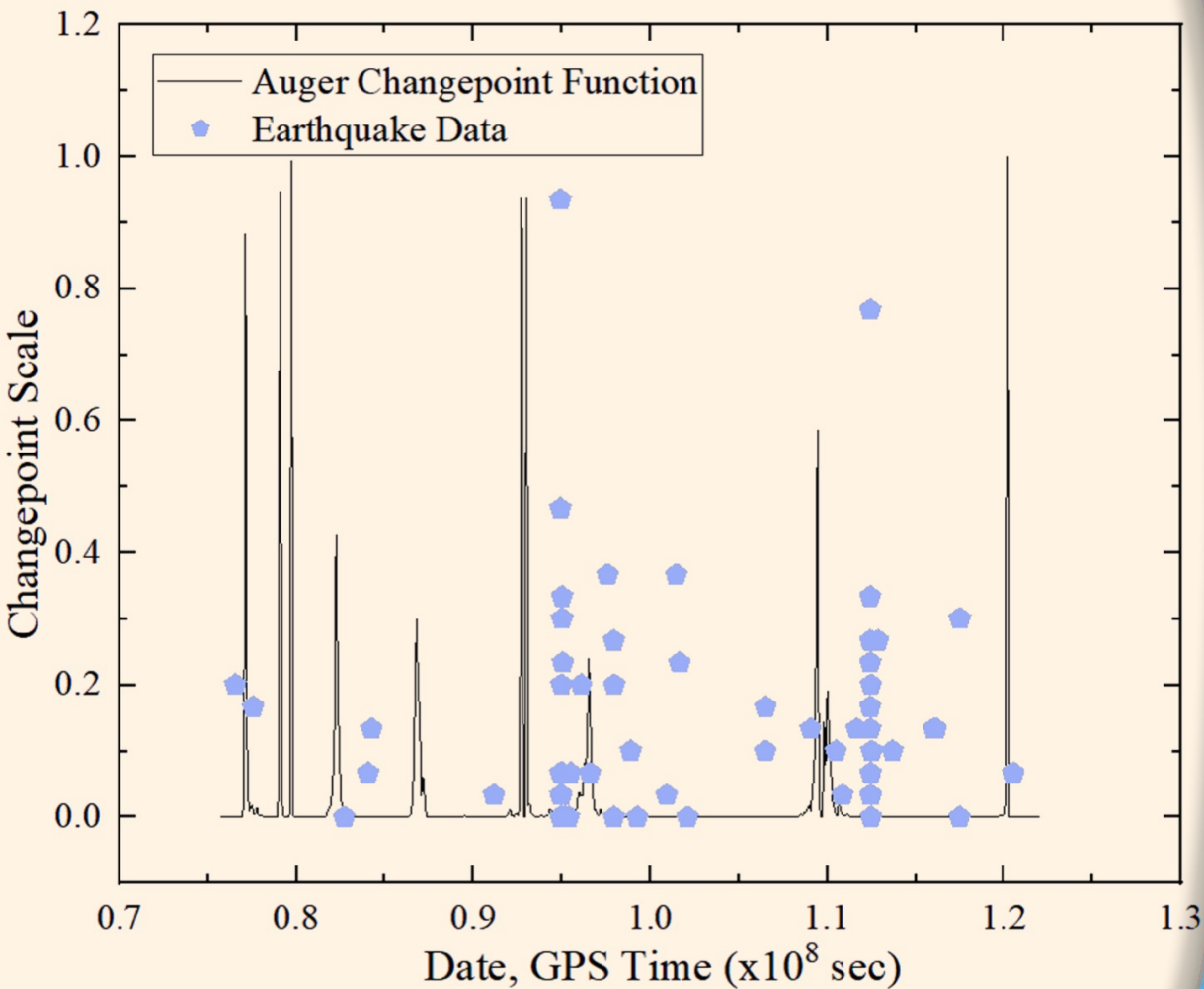
Bayesian Analysis and ChangePoints



ChangePoints in C are Closer in Position to Those in A

Earthquake Data has Large Impact on Correlation, Shift in Time and Magnitude of Effect in Cosmic Ray Data Likely to be Dependent on Earthquake Properties Like Magnitude

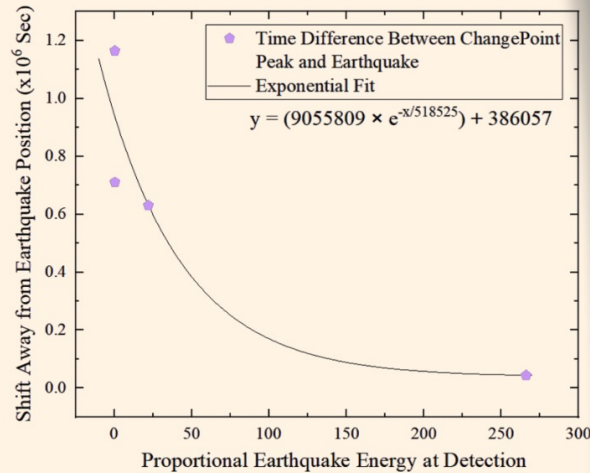
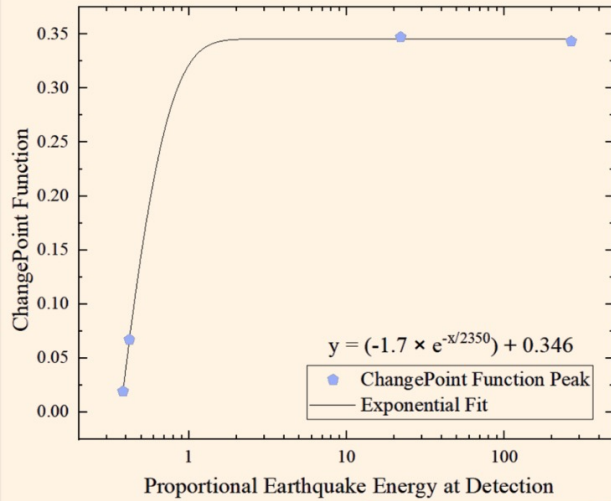
Smaller Scale Data



Changepoints Found for the Count of Cosmic Ray Events with Energy Above 0.4 EeV ($\times 10^{18}$ eV), Shifted by 25 Days

Earthquakes with Magnitude Above 6 Within a Range of 700 km from the Auger Observatory Also Plotted

Energy Ranges and Earthquake Magnitude

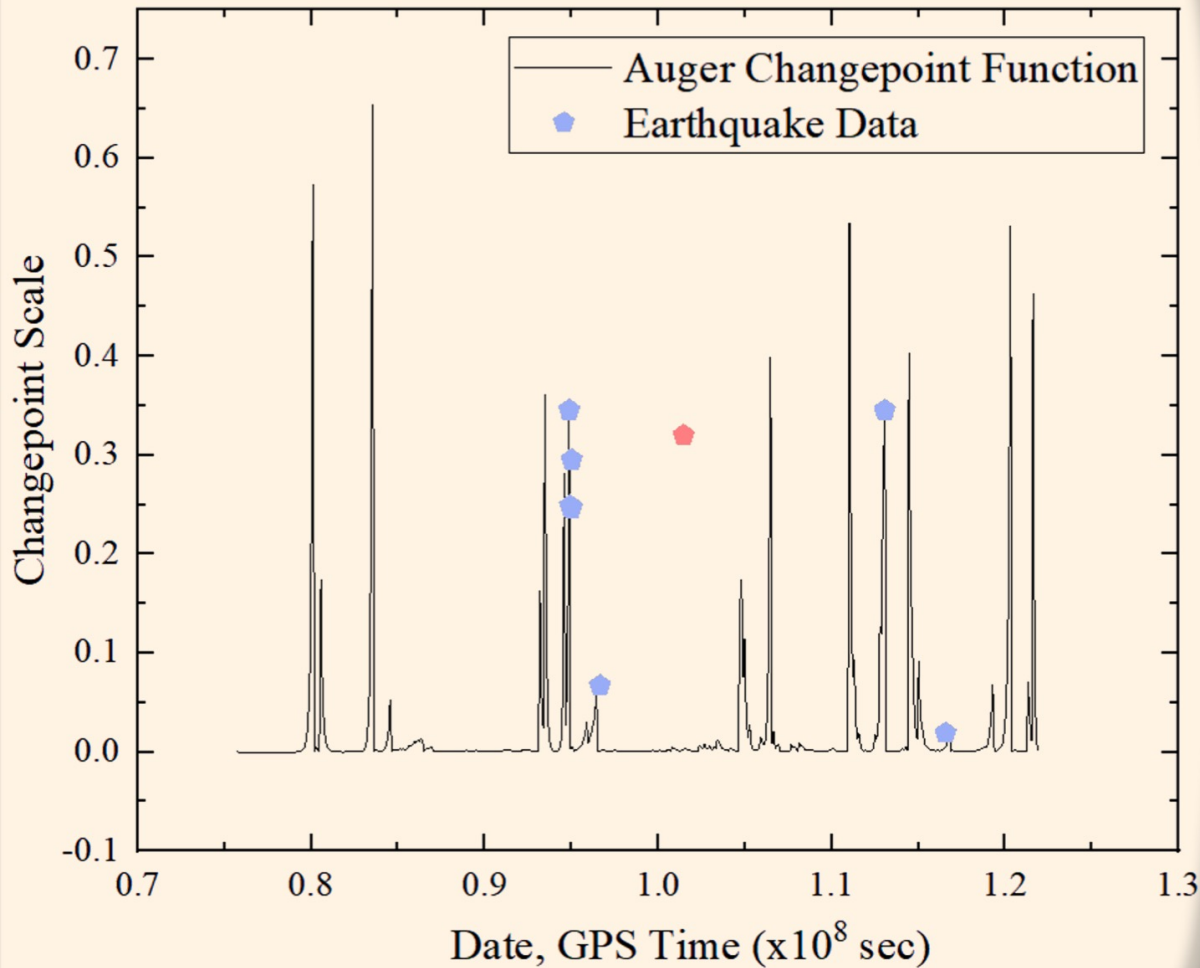


All But One Earthquake Caused the Largest Response in Event Energy Range of 1.5 to 2 EeV

Distance Accounted for Using Energy as

$$\log_{10}(E) = 5.24 + (1.44M) \frac{E}{\pi(\text{depth} \times \text{distance})^2}$$

Rescaling and Final Changeplot

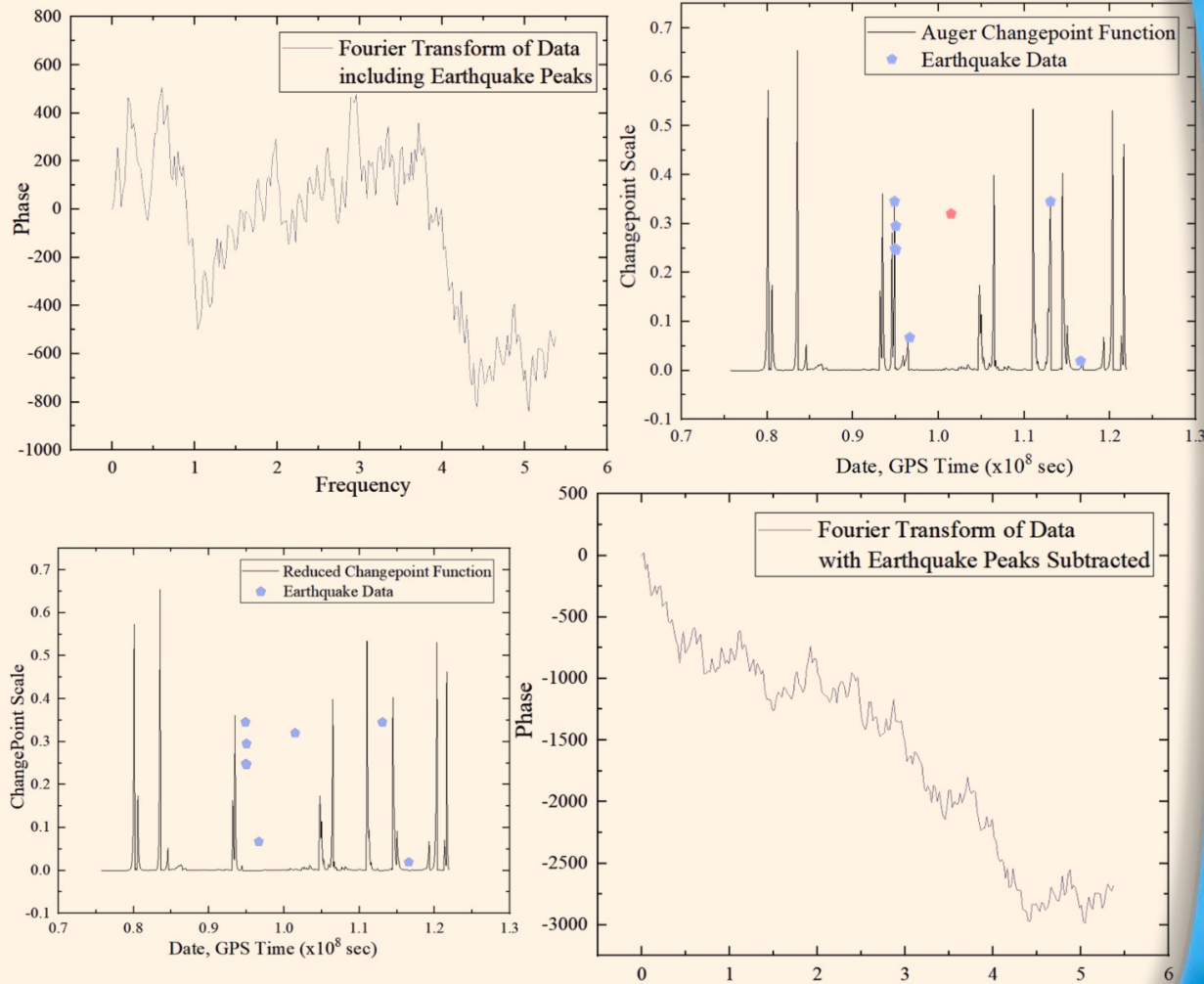


Final Plot of the Changepoint Function for Cosmic Ray Events with Energies Between 1.5 and 2 EeV

Most Earthquakes Accurately Predicted with Exception of the Closest

Gives Radius Around Observatory in Which Earthquakes May Occur and Predicts Magnitudes at Each Distance in that Radius

Identifying Relevant Peaks



Fourier Transforms of Changepoint Plot With and Without the Peaks Related to Recorded Earthquakes

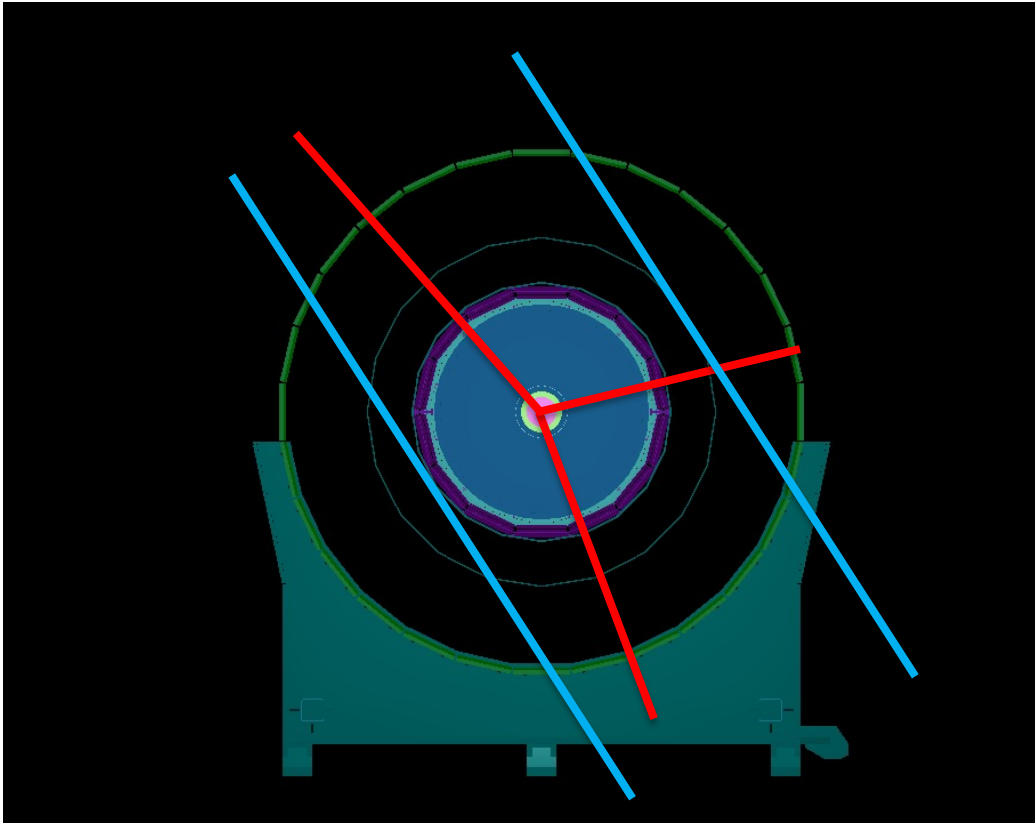
Rough Linear Trend Observed When Earthquake Peaks Not Included

If Analysis Was Repeated for Other Observatories This Could be Used to Identify Which Peaks Correspond to Earthquakes

How to distinguish between muons from space and collisions

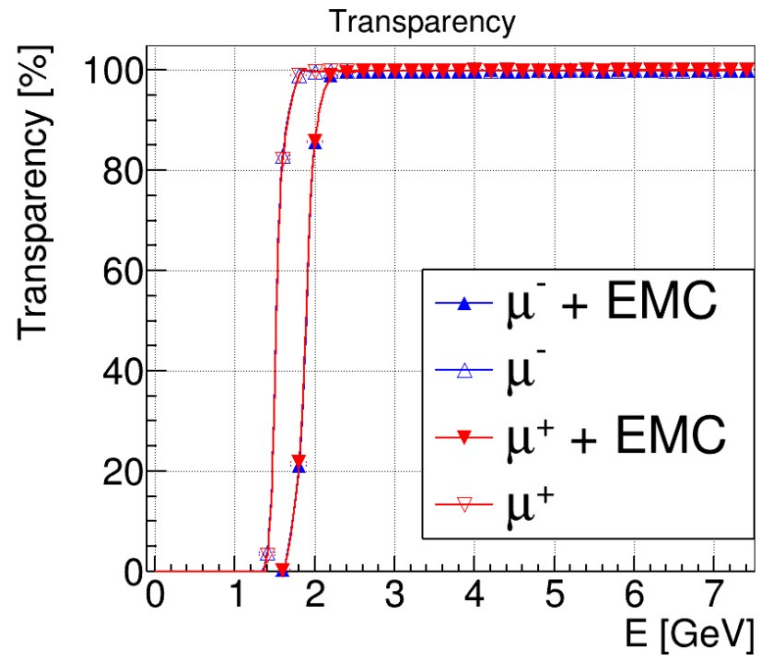
(DANIEL WIELANEK)

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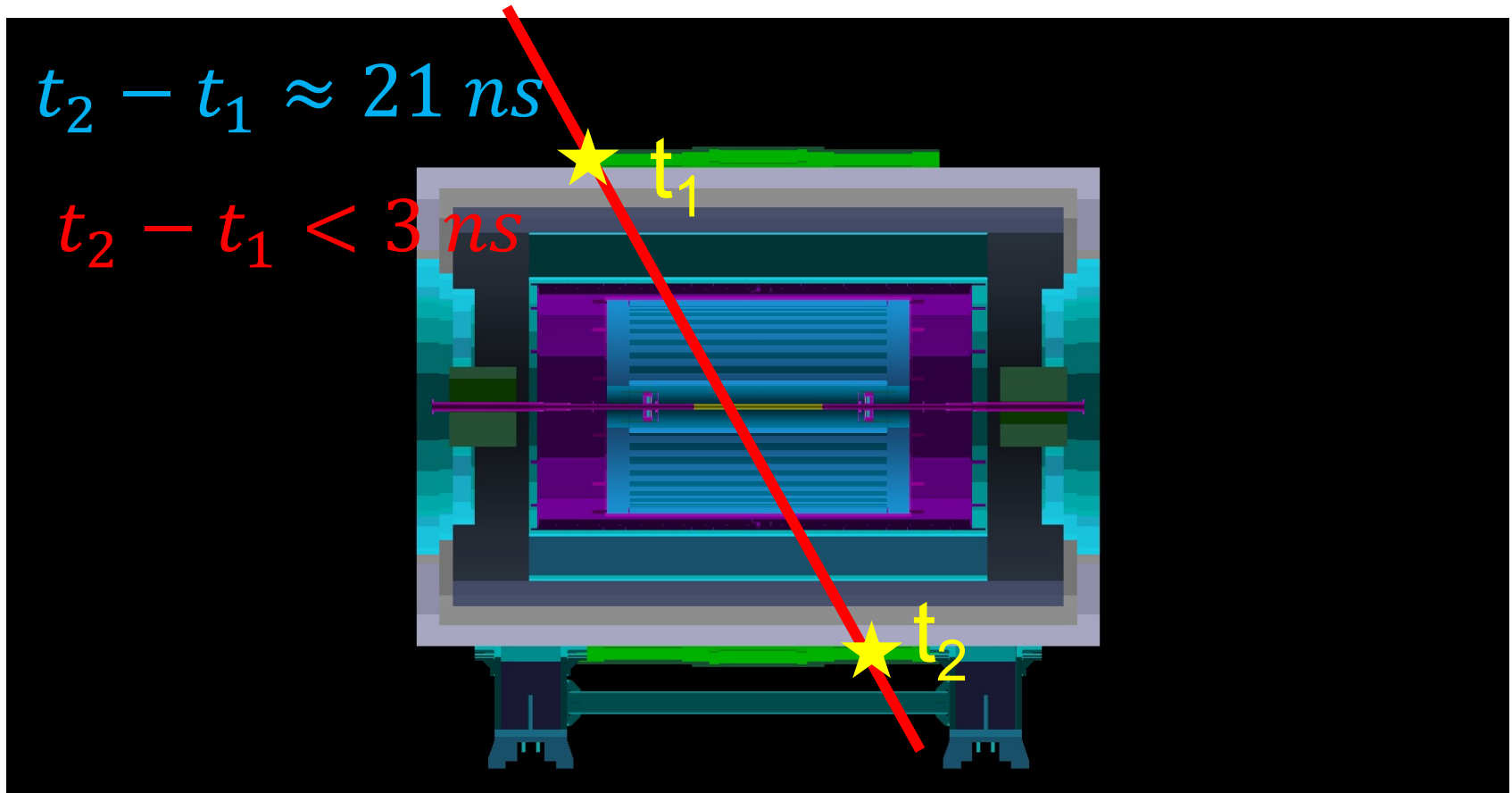


- Particles produced at collisions must come from event vertex
- Only small fraction of cosmic rays will pass near the vertex position

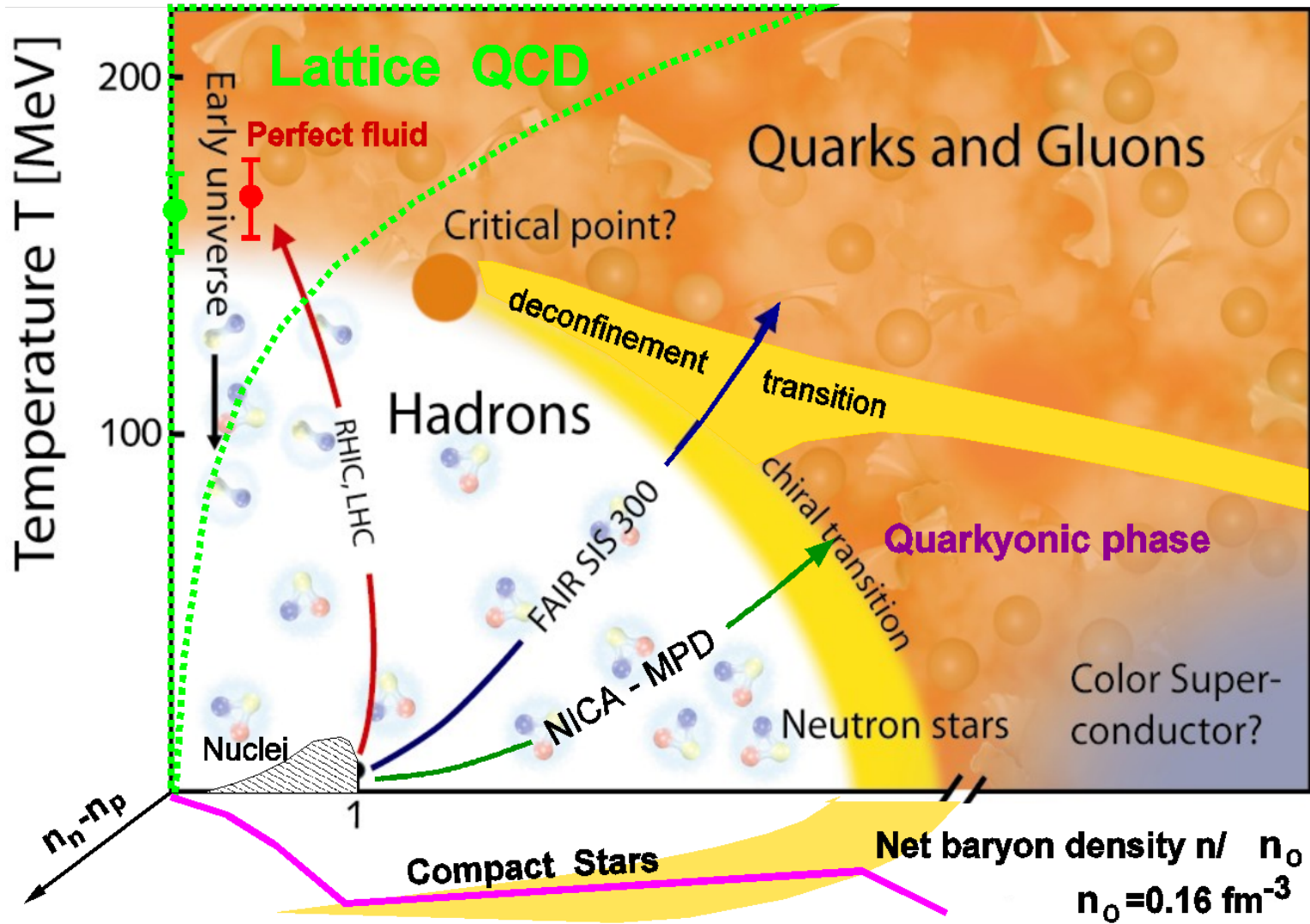
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Critical Endpoint in QCD



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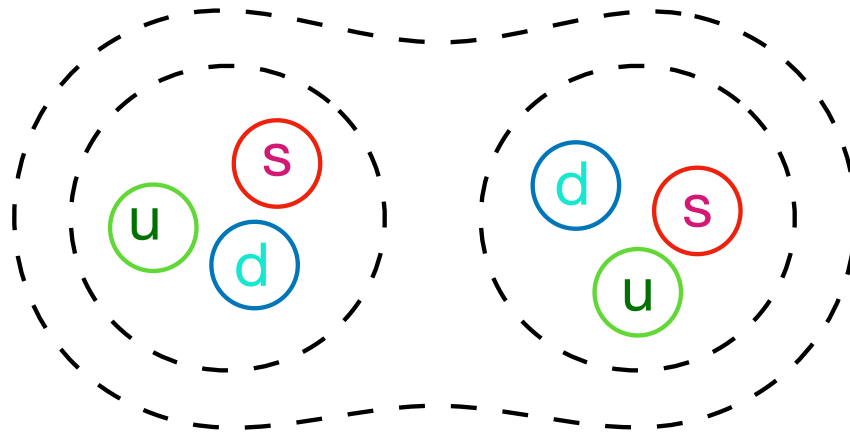
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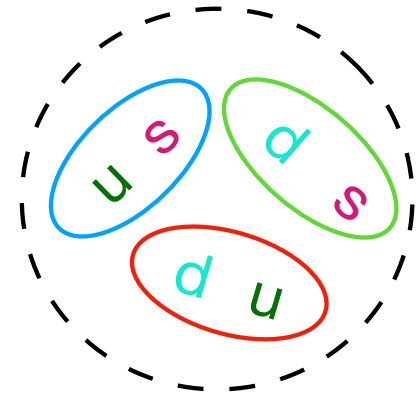
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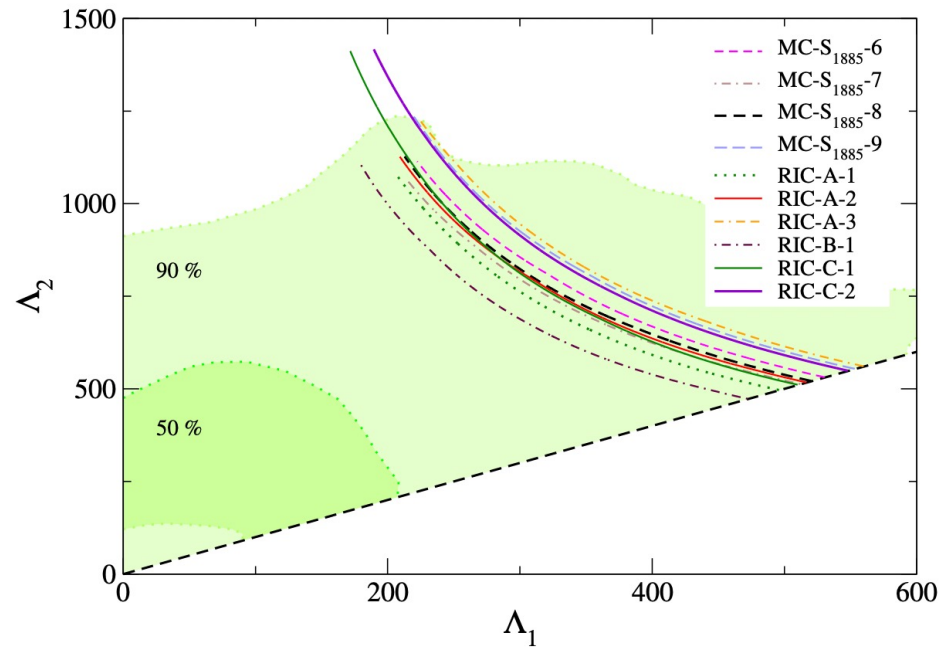
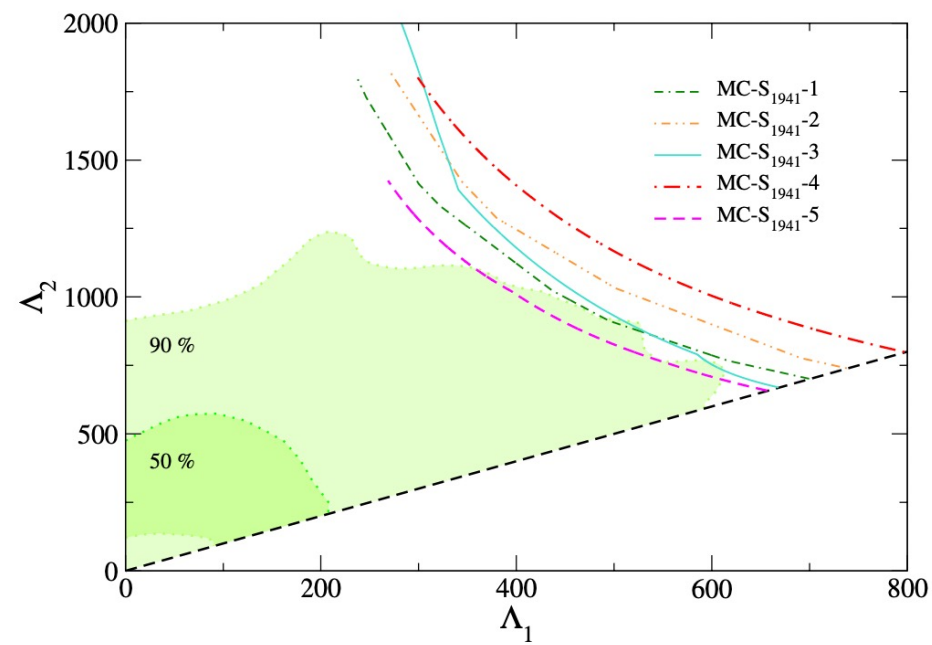
H-dibaryon



Sexaquark



Tidal deformabilities from GW170817



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