

# Understanding the sources of Ultra High Energy Cosmic-rays

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# What are Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays (UHECR) ?

UHECR are nuclei which are accelerated up to  $10^{21}$  eV. ( $>10^{18}$  eV)



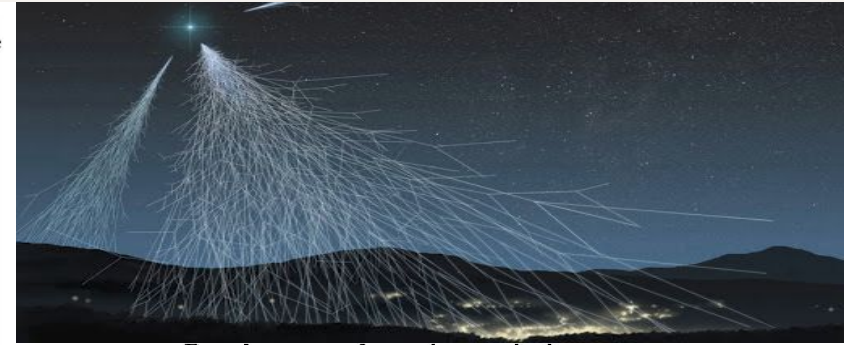
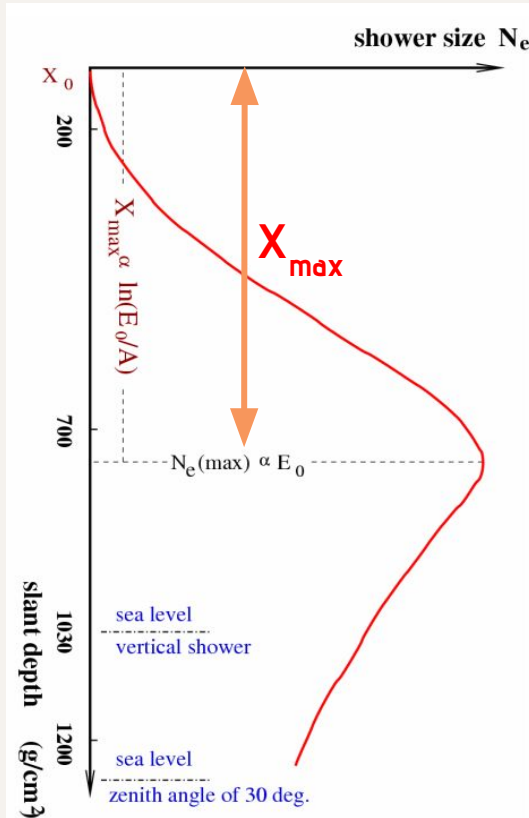
Nuclei reach the earth



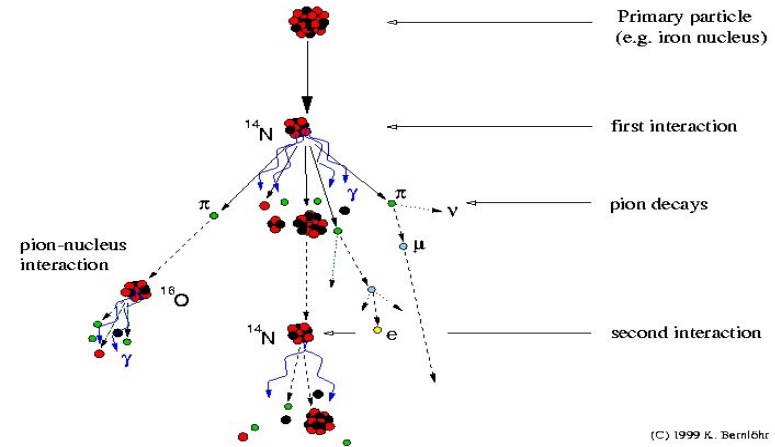
Hadronic shower

## Three main observables:

- Arrival directions
- Energy
- $X_{\text{max}}$  Depth of maximum shower (characteristic length of the shower, linked to the mass)



Development of cosmic-ray air showers



# The Pierre Auger Observatory

3 000 km<sup>2</sup>, 30 times Paris

## Two detectors:

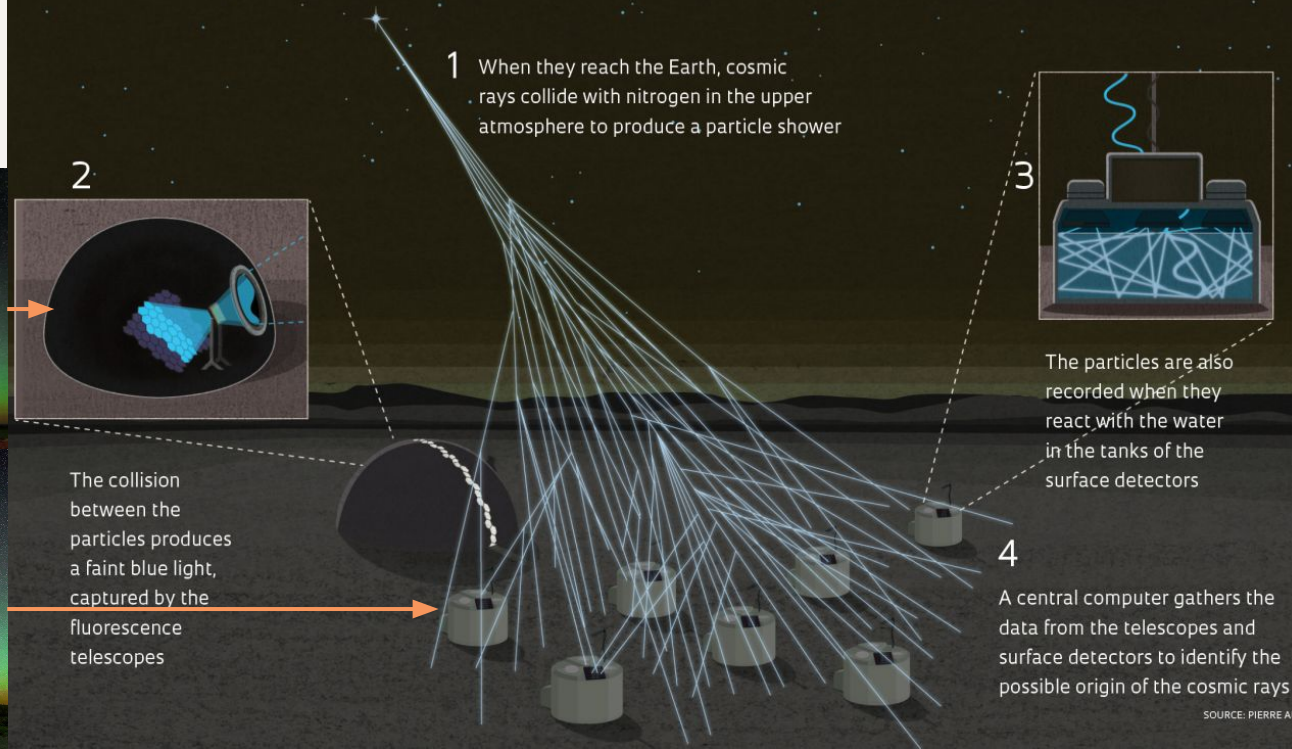
→ Telescopes measures  $X_{\text{max}}$ , energy, arrival directions

→ Surface detectors measures the energy and the arrival directions



## Waiting for particles

The Pierre Auger Observatory combines two independent ways of detecting cosmic rays



# State of the art

# Arrival directions: An extragalactic origin ? (2017)

## Evidence of extragalactic origins

At  $E > 8 \text{ EeV}$ , a dipole is observed at more than the  $5.2\sigma$  level of significance.

The cosmic ray dipole points  **$55^\circ$  away** from the 2MRS dipole

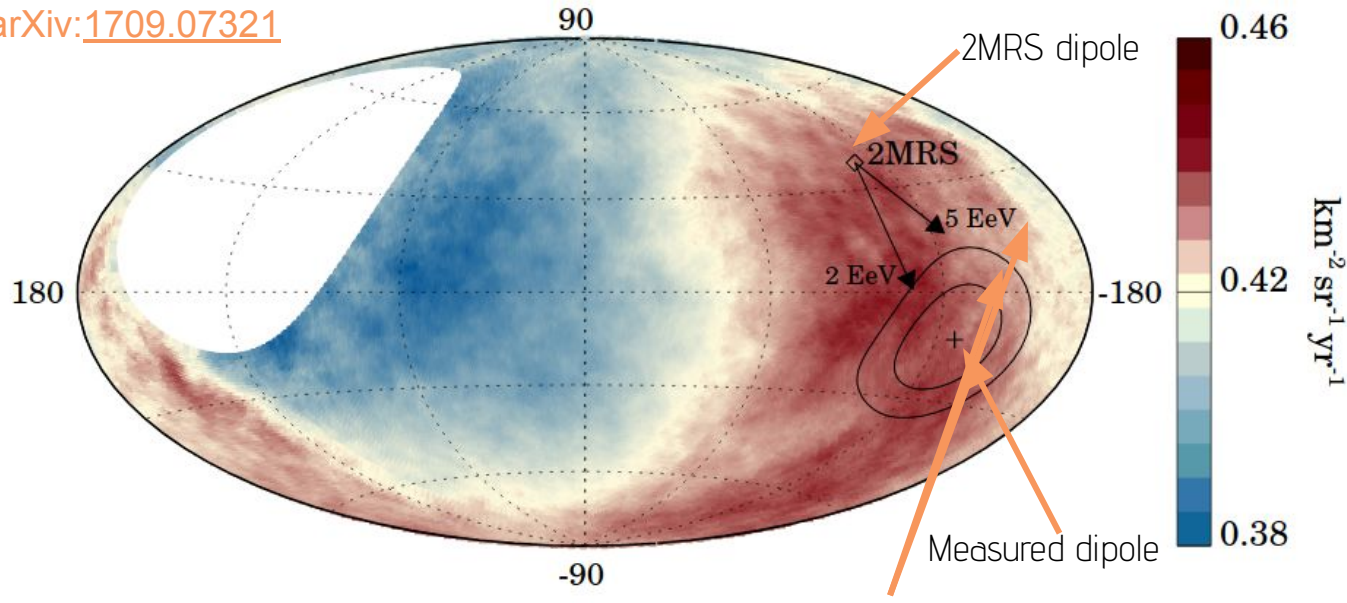
### Definition rigidity:

$$R = E/Z$$

with  
E, the energy  
Z, the charge

## Measured flux for events above 8 EeV, galactic coordinates

[arXiv:1709.07321](https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.07321)



Galactic magnetic field effect for  
 $R = 2 \text{ EV}$  &  $R = 5 \text{ EV}$



# Arrival directions: An indication of the hosts galaxies ? (2018)

## Comparing flux patterns

**Idea:** Compare the measured flux with the sky-map of extragalactic gamma-ray sources!.

**Here:** sky-map of starburst galaxies (SBG) compare to observed

Starburst galaxies = High Star Formation rate

**4.0 $\sigma$**  level of significance.

**Model:**

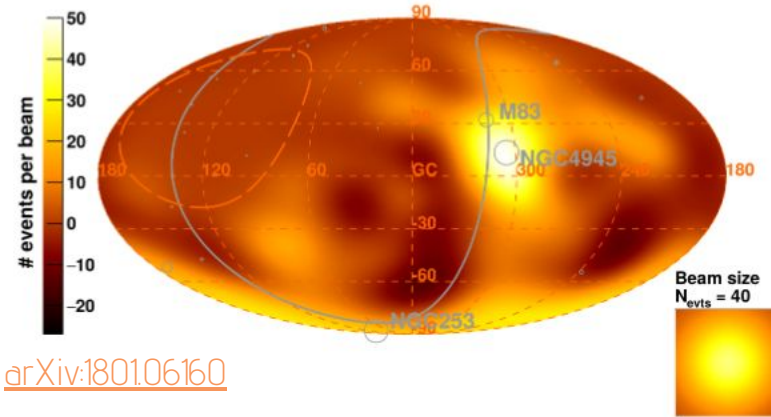
$$\Phi_{\text{model}} = \alpha \Phi_{\text{isotropy}} + (1-\alpha) \Phi_{\text{SBG}}$$

**Two free parameters:**

$\alpha$ , the isotropy fraction

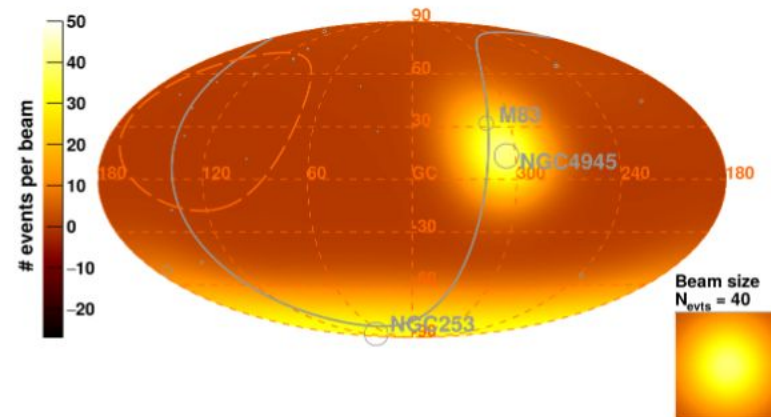
Beam size

Observed Excess Map -  $E > 39$  EeV

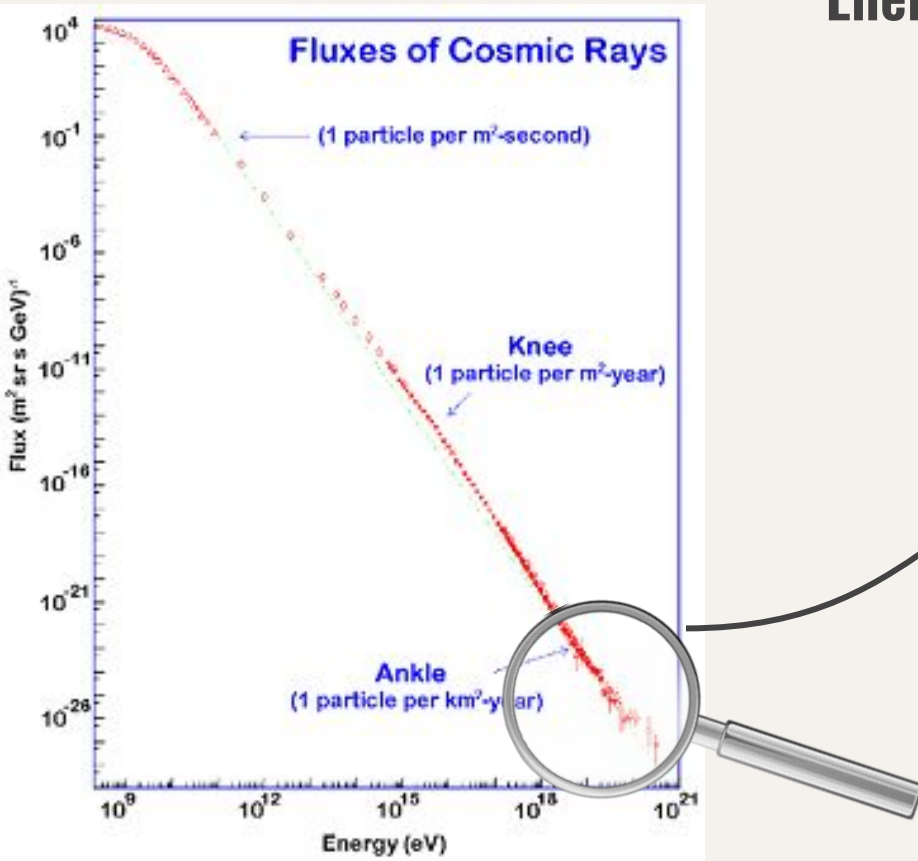


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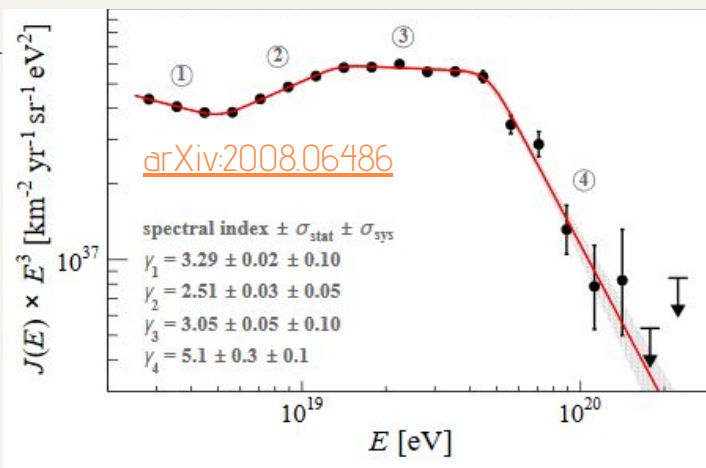
Model Excess Map - Starburst galaxies -  $E > 39$  EeV



# Energy Spectrum



The energy spectrum  
is given in the unit of  
[ $\#.\text{km}^{-2}.\text{yr}^{-1}.\text{sr}^{-1}.\text{eV}^{-1}$ ]

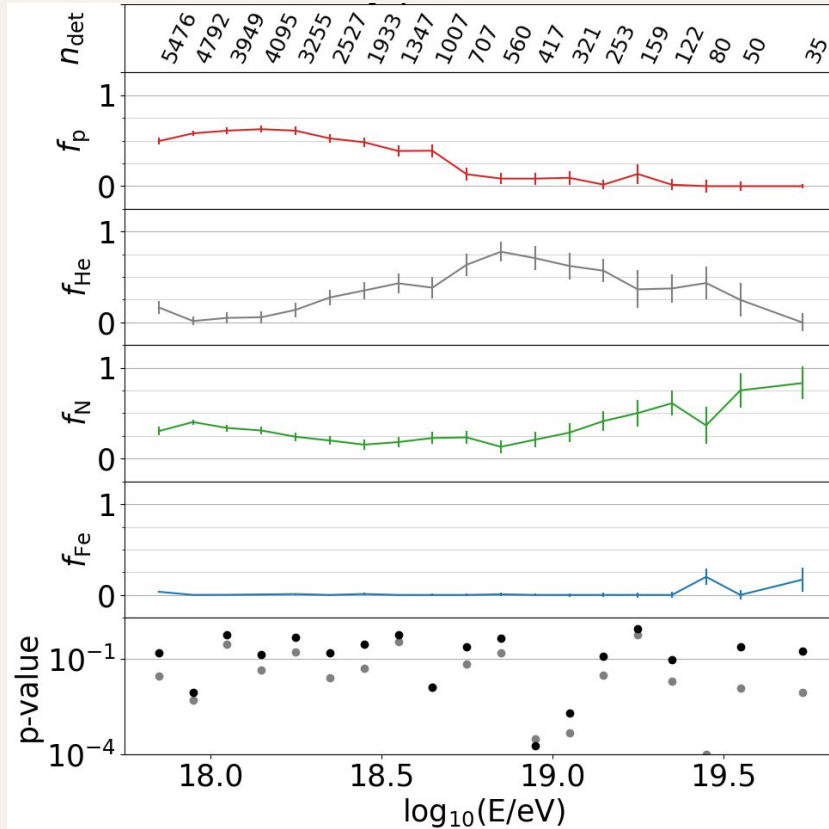


# Xmax: Study the composition

**Hadronic model:**  
EPOS-LHC

**p-value:**  
→ Black dots:  
consider empty  
bins  
C-Statistics  
[arXiv:1912.05444](https://arxiv.org/abs/1912.05444)

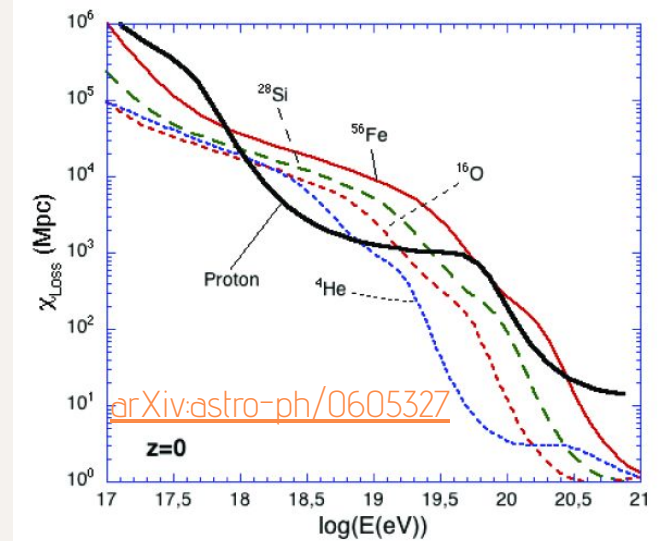
→ Grey dots:  
Classical  $\chi^2$



## Reason:

The energy and the composition gives an information about the distance of the sources.

$\lambda_{\text{Loss}}$  is the attenuation length

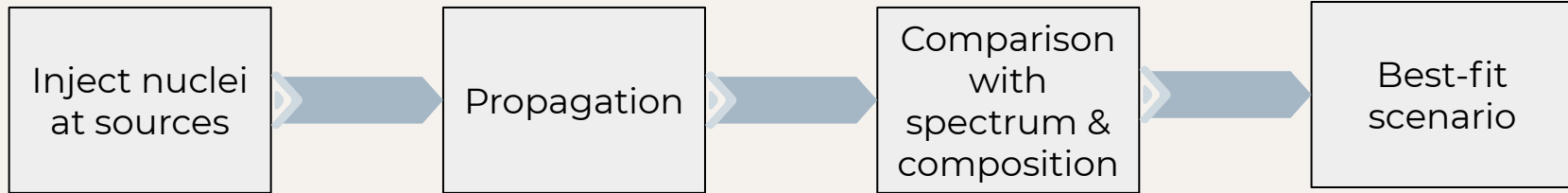




# Towards an astrophysical model

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- The combined fit is an **astrophysical model** trying to describe the composition and the energy spectrum of Ultra High Energy Cosmic Ray (UHECR).

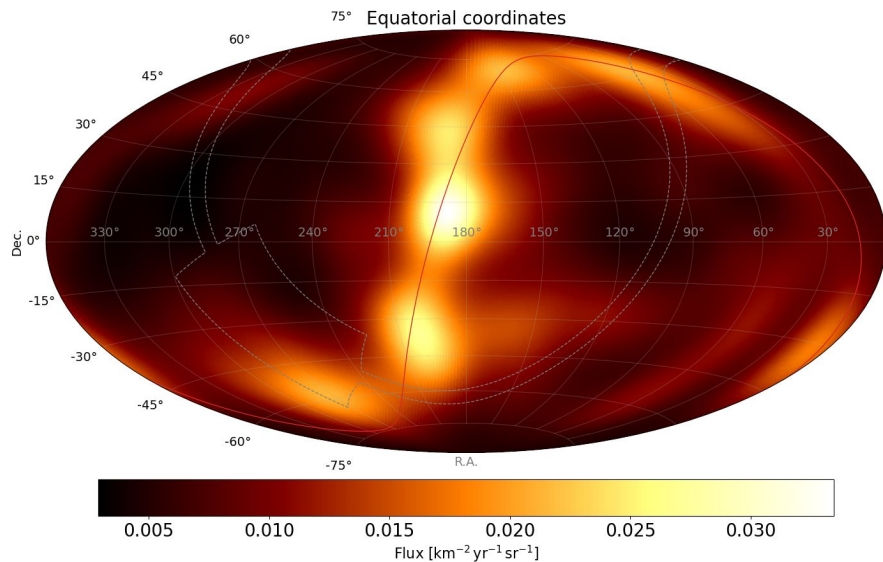
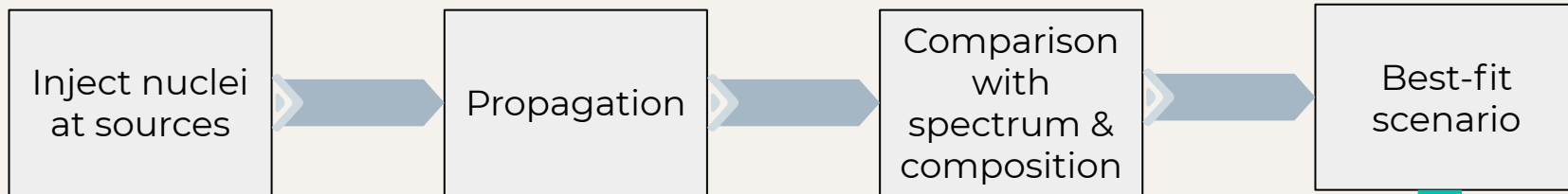


- 5 representatives masses injected at sources: **H**, **He**, **N**, **Si**, **Fe**
- 7 parameters of injection (5 for masses, 2 for the shape of the spectrum)

Hypothesis:

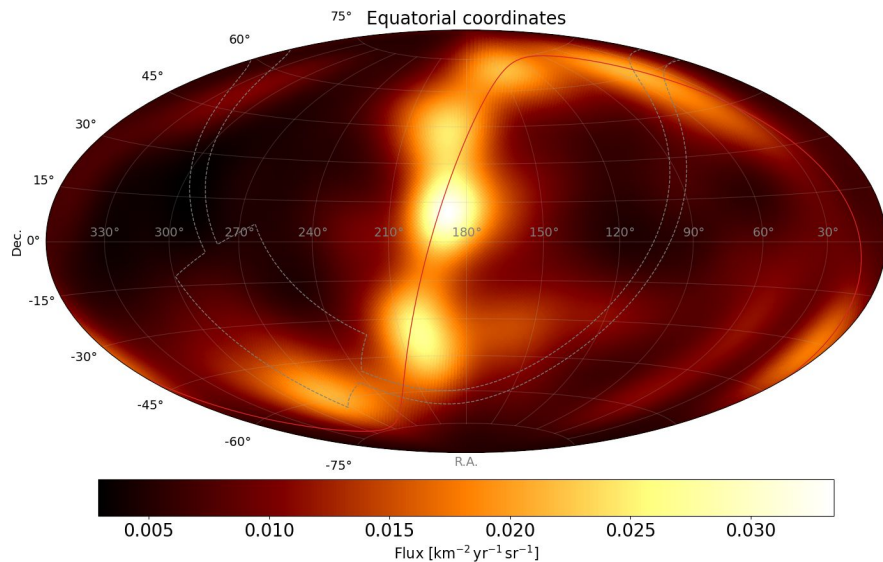
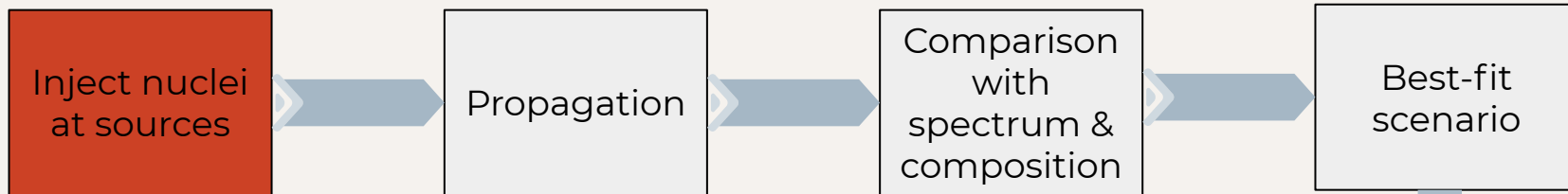
- **Transient scenario**: UHECR come from transient sources

# Combined Fit: How it works



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# Generation term

Inject nuclei  
at sources

- Start from a generation term:  $q_A(E_g, z)$ 
  - Number of particles created
    - Per unit of energy
    - Per second
    - Per covolume  $[q_A(E_g, z)] = \text{eV}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1} \text{Mpc}^{-3}$
    - For a given specie A, at given energy, at a redshift z.

$$q_A(E_g, z) = \underbrace{\frac{dN_A}{dE_g}(E_g)}_{\text{Gives the number of generated nuclei per source}} \times \underbrace{S(z)}_{\text{Gives the number of source at a redshift z}}$$

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# Generation term: injected spectrum

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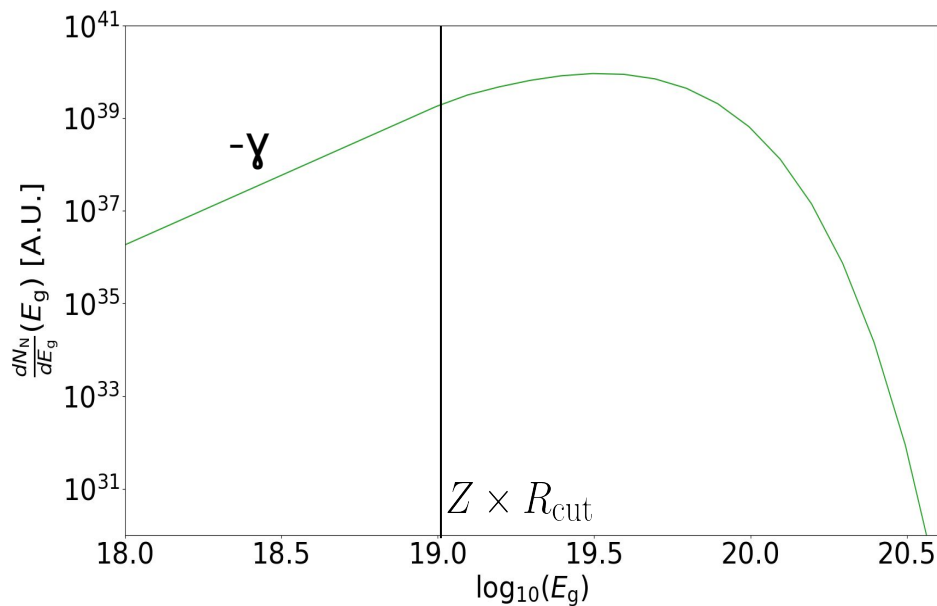
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$$E_g \frac{dN_A}{dE_g}(E_g) = E_A \times \frac{E_g f(E_g)}{\int_0^\infty E_g f(E_g) dE_g}$$

$$f(E_g) = \left(\frac{E}{E_{\text{ref}}}\right)^{-\gamma} \times \begin{cases} 1 & E \leq Z \times R_{\text{cut}} \\ e^{1 - \frac{E_g}{Z \times R_{\text{cut}}}} & E > Z \times R_{\text{cut}} \end{cases}$$





# Generation term: evolution of sources

Inject nuclei  
at sources

$$q_A(E_g, t) = \underbrace{\frac{dN_A}{dE_g}(E_g)}_{\text{Gives the number of generated nuclei per burst}} \times \underbrace{S(t)}_{\text{Gives the number of burst at a time } t}$$

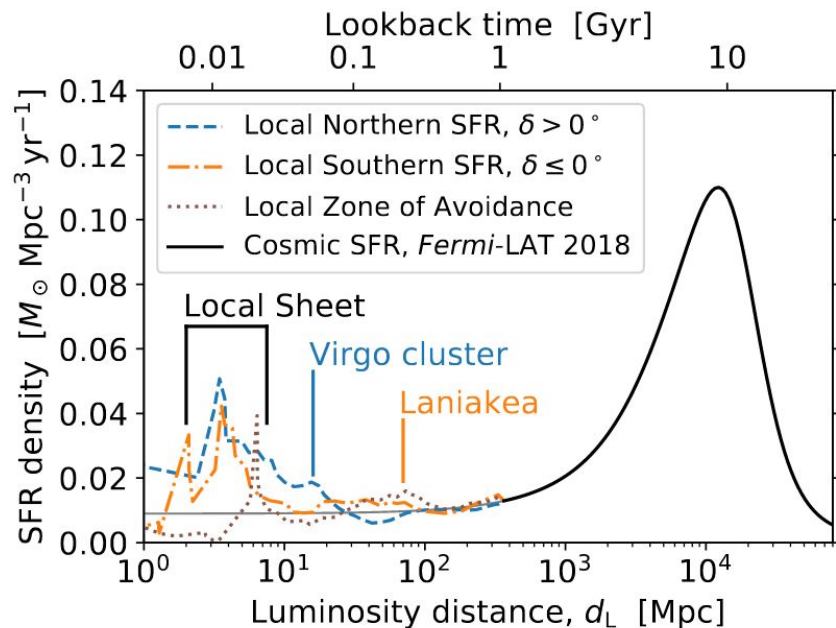
Gives the number of  
generated nuclei  
per burst

$S(t)$  describes the **evolution of sources** in time (or redshift).

**Hypothesis:**  $S(t)$  follows the Star Formation rate density

$$S(t) = \boxed{k} \times \underbrace{\text{SFRd}(t)}_{\text{Extracted from Biteau(2021) Astrophys.J.Suppl. 256}}$$

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# What are the free parameters ?

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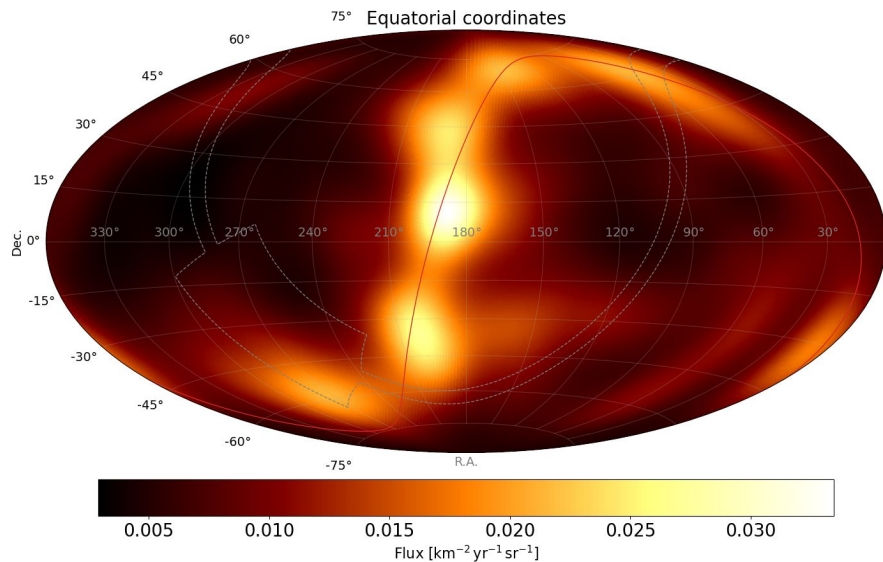
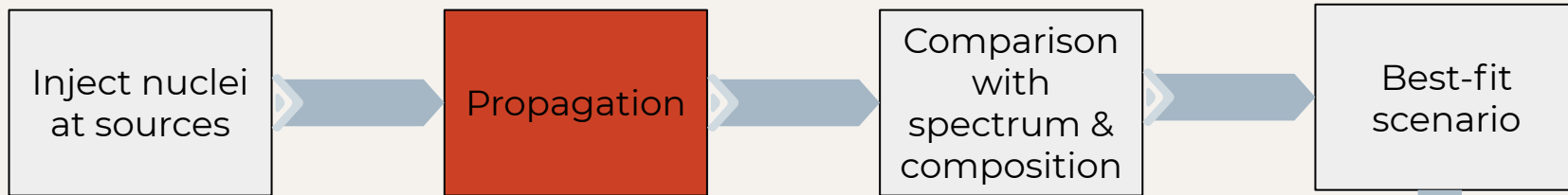
- $\gamma$  - Power of the power law of the injected spectrum at the sources
- $R_{\text{cut}}$  - Cut in injection
- $E_H \times k$  - Injected energy per injected stellar mass
- $E_{\text{He}} \times k$  - Injected energy per injected stellar mass
- $E_N \times k$  - Injected energy per injected stellar mass
- $E_{\text{Si}} \times k$  - Injected energy per injected stellar mass
- $E_{\text{Fe}} \times k$  - Injected energy per injected stellar mass

The total energy  
density

$$u = \sum_A E_A k \times \frac{\rho_*(z=0)}{(1-R)}$$

$[E_A]$  = erg per source     $[k]$  = Number of sources per  $M_\odot$

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# Propagation: Tensor formalism

Propagation

- SimProp simulations of 2 500 000 nuclei per injected A
- Nuclei propagate through CMB & EBL.
- Store in five 4D tensor.
- Tensor gives the **average number of detected nuclei per detected energy**

- **EBL:** Gilmore et al. 2012 fiducial
- **Photodisintegration cross sections:** PSB (Puget et al.)
- **Photoproduction of pion:** EBL+CMB

$$T_A(E_g, z, E_{\text{det}}, (Z, A)_{\text{det}})$$

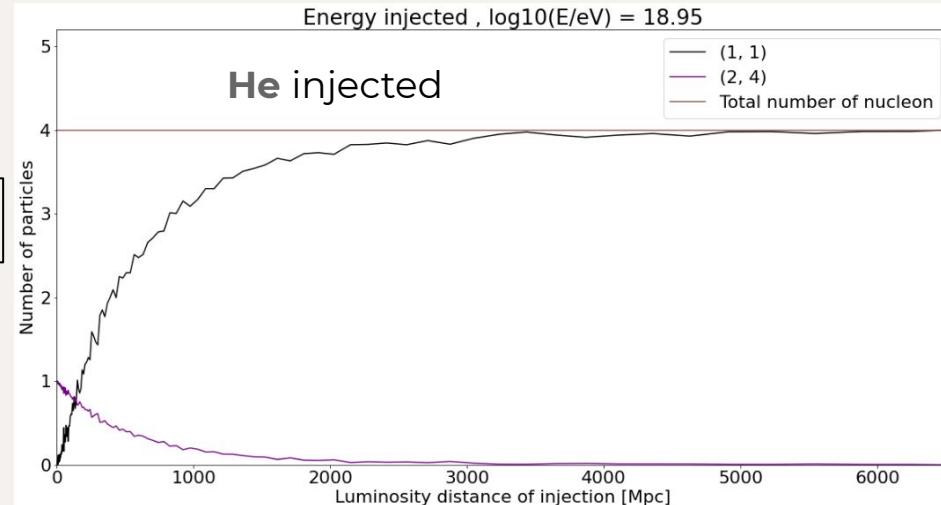
Injected mass

Injected energy

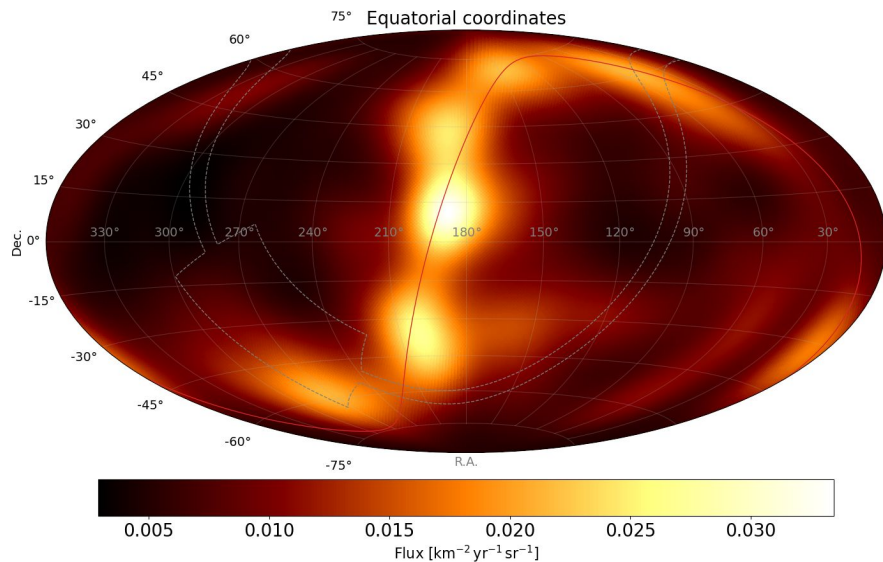
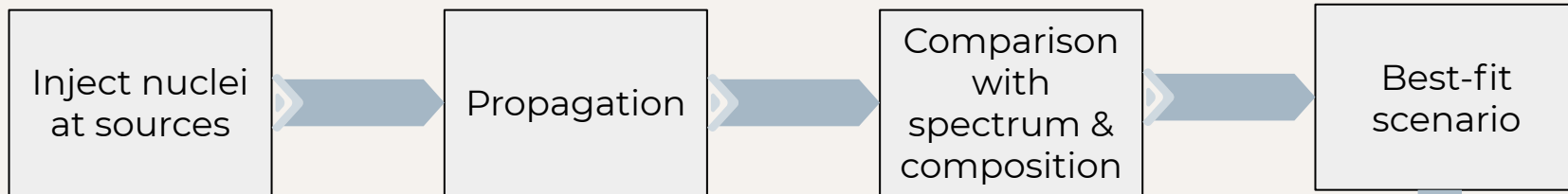
Injected redshift

Detected mass

Detected energy

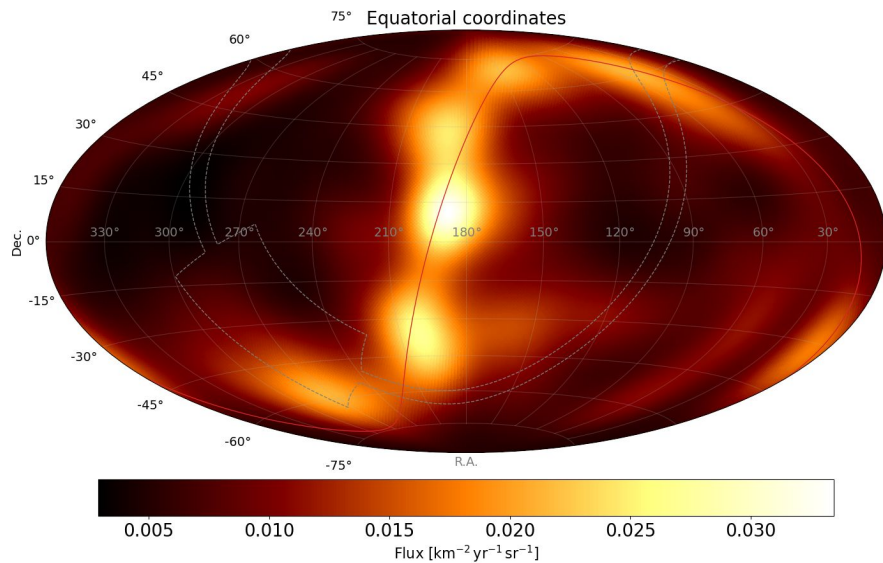
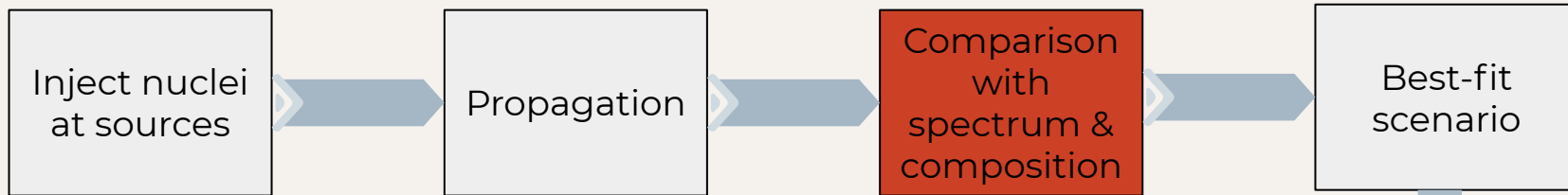


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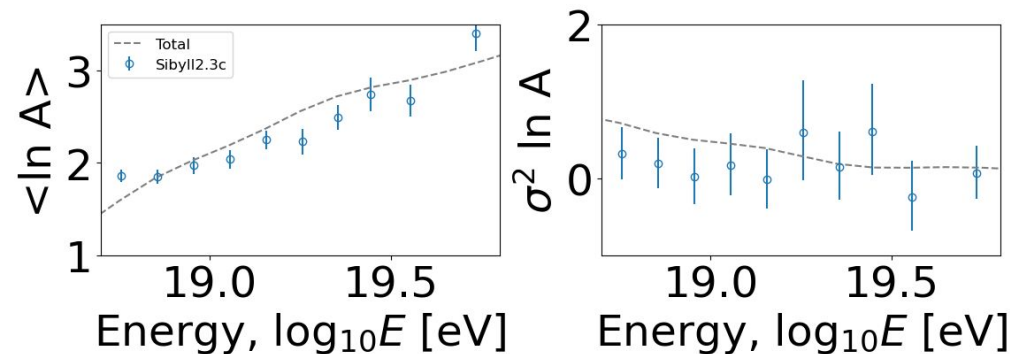
# Combined Fit: Minimization

Comparison  
with  
spectrum &  
**composition**

→ **Tensor is contracted** to compute the flux  
of each detected nuclei

$$J_A(E) = \frac{c}{4\pi} \sum_{A_g} \sum_{E_g} \sum_{z=0}^{z=2.5} \Delta z \left| \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} \right| \underbrace{S(z)}_{\text{blue}} \times \underbrace{\frac{dN_{A_g}}{dE_g}}_{\text{purple}} \times \underbrace{T_A(E_g, z, E_{\text{det}}, (Z, A)_{\text{det}})}_{\text{green}} \Delta E_g$$

→ **Compare** to  $\langle \ln A \rangle$  and  $\sigma^2 \ln A$   
using **Gaussian likelihood**



$$\mathcal{L}_A = \prod_j \frac{1}{\sigma(\langle \ln A \rangle_j^{\text{data}} \sqrt{2\pi}} \times \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\langle \ln A \rangle_j^{\text{data}} - \langle \ln A \rangle_j^{\text{model}}}{\sigma(\langle \ln A \rangle_j^{\text{data}})} \right)^2 \right) \times \frac{1}{\sigma(\sigma^2 \ln A)_j^{\text{data}} \sqrt{2\pi}} \times \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\sigma^2 \ln A_j^{\text{data}} - \sigma^2 \ln A_j^{\text{model}}}{\sigma(\sigma^2 \ln A)_j^{\text{data}}} \right)^2 \right)$$

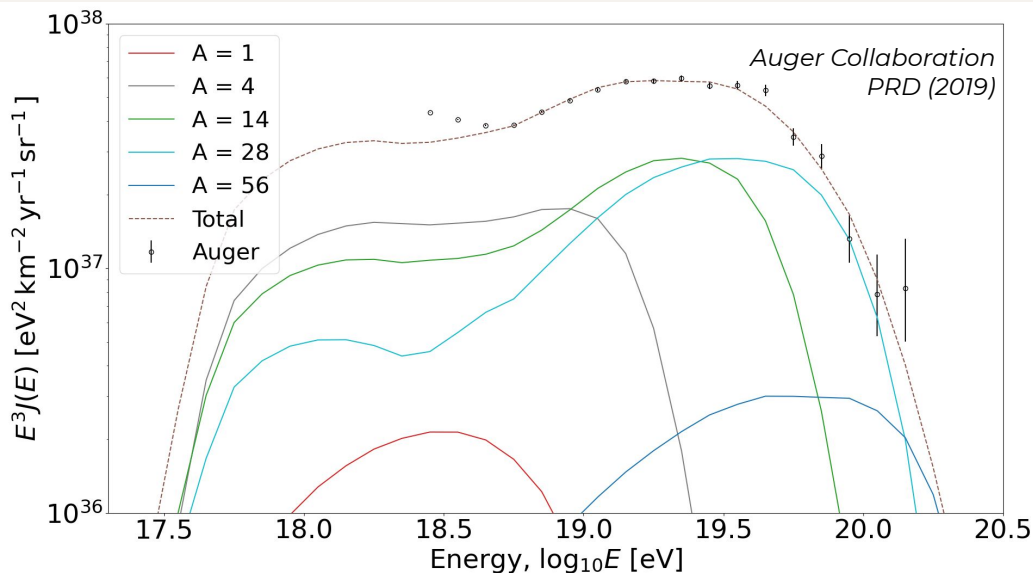
→ The **goodness of fit** is  
given by the deviance:

$$D_A = -2 \ln \mathcal{L}_A / \mathcal{L}_A^{\text{sat}}$$

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- Tensor is contracted to compute the flux
- **Compare to Auger spectrum** using Gaussian likelihood



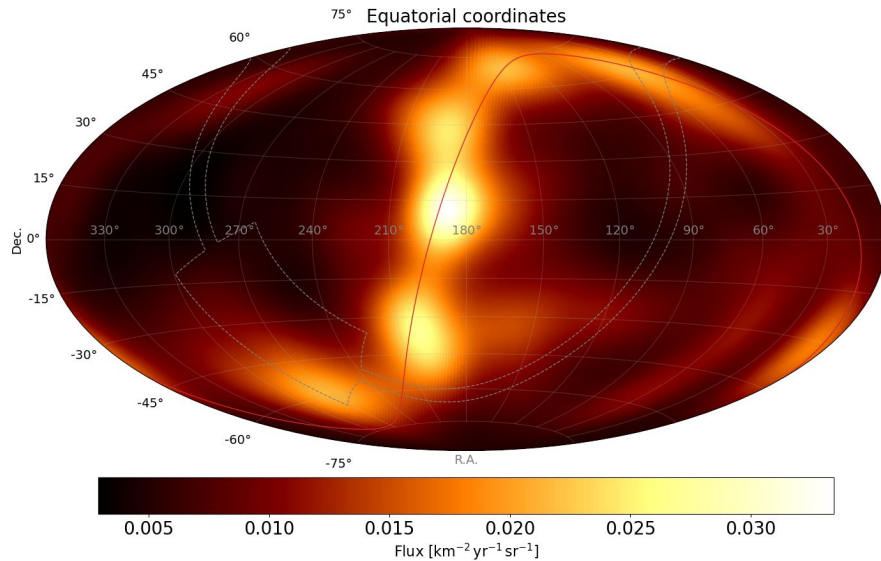
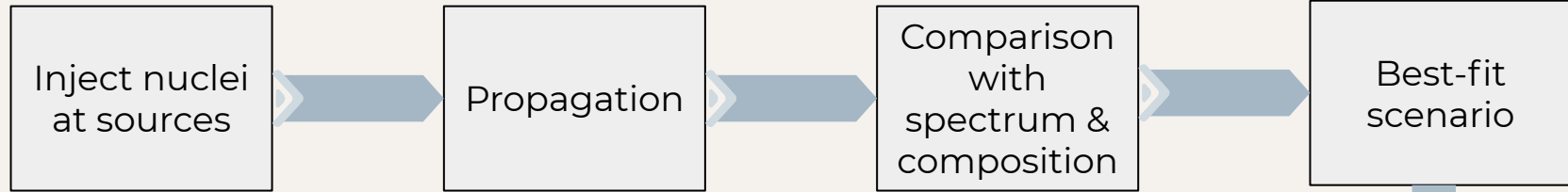
$$\mathcal{L}_J = \prod_j \frac{1}{\sigma_j^{\text{data}} \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{J_j^{\text{data}} - J_j^{\text{model}}}{\sigma_j^{\text{data}}} \right)^2 \right)$$

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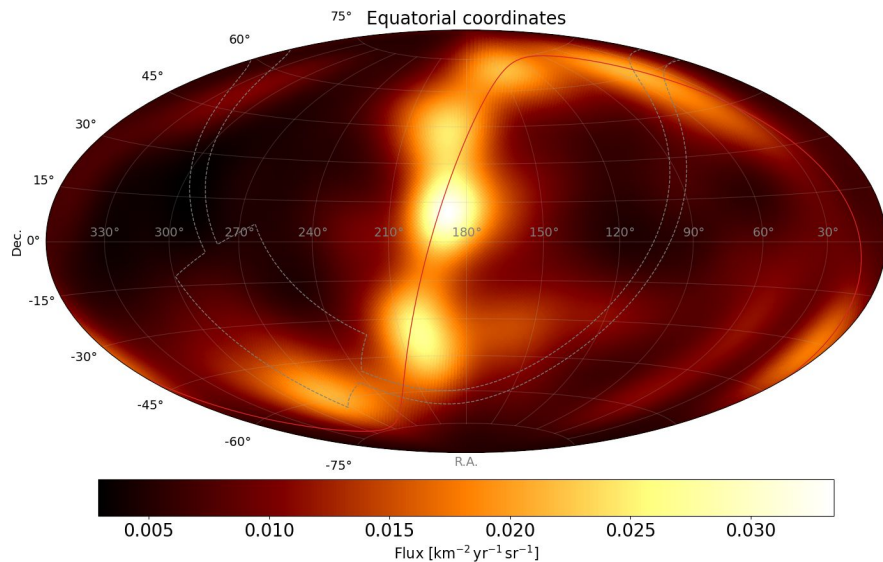
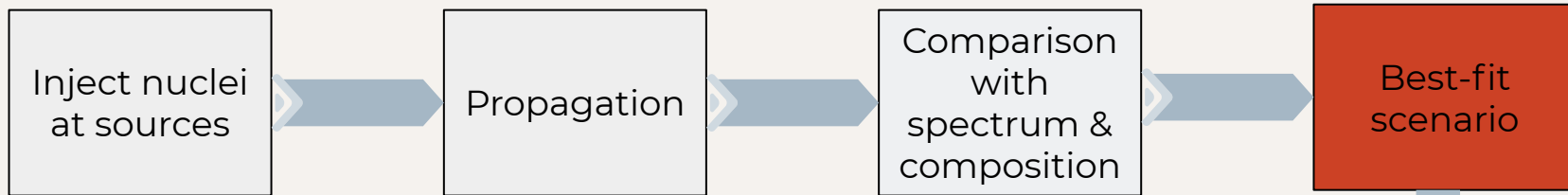
$$D_{\text{tot}} = D_J + D_A$$

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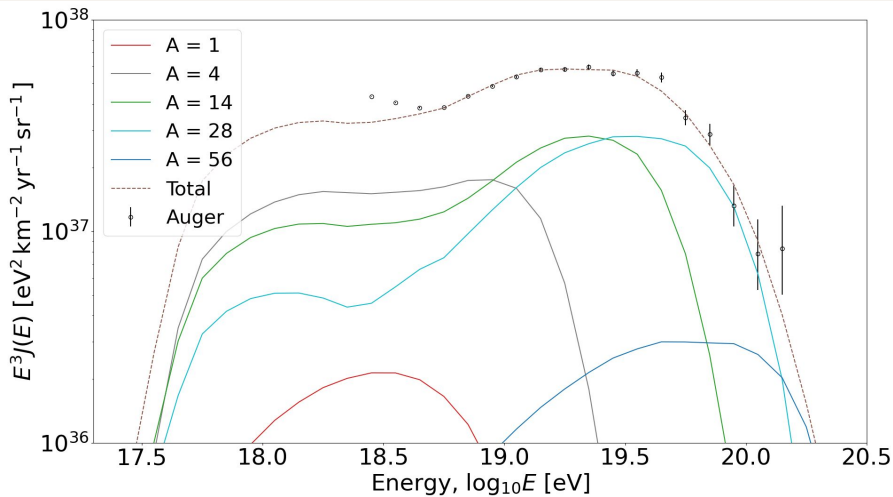


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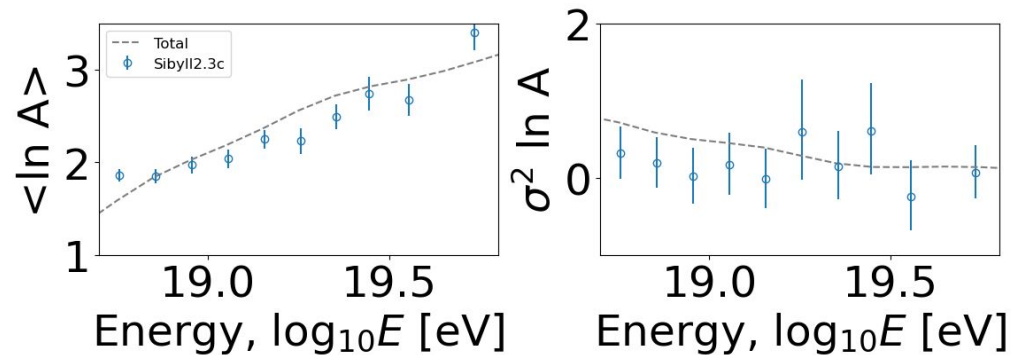
# Combined Fit: Best-fit scenario

Comparison  
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$R_{\text{cut}}$	$\gamma$	$E_{\text{H}} \times k$ [A.U]	$E_{\text{He}} \times k$ [A.U]	$E_{\text{N}} \times k$ [A.U]	$E_{\text{Si}} \times k$ [A.U]	$E_{\text{Fe}} \times k$ [A.U]
18.2	-1.2	1.3	11.1	10	6.3	0.5



$D_J$ (num. of points)	$D_A$ (num. of points)
18.9 (15)	20 (20)





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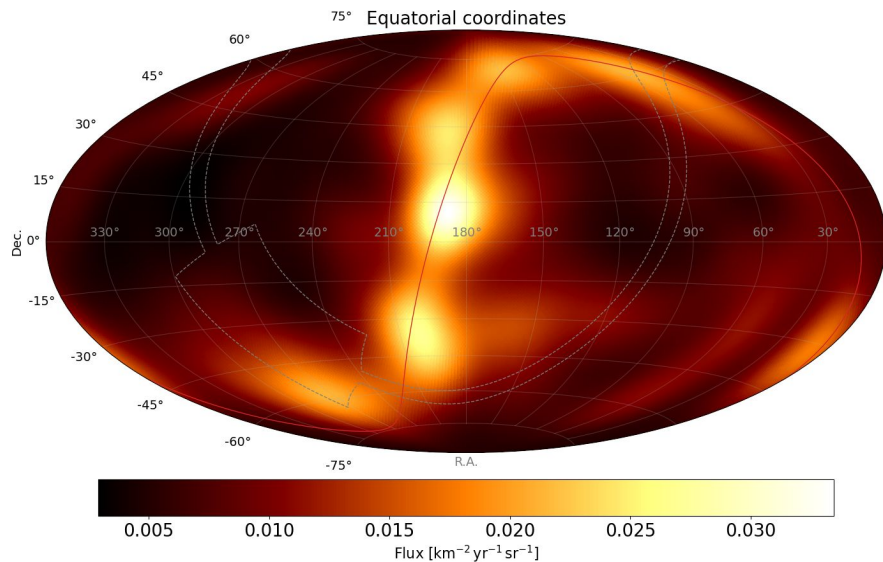
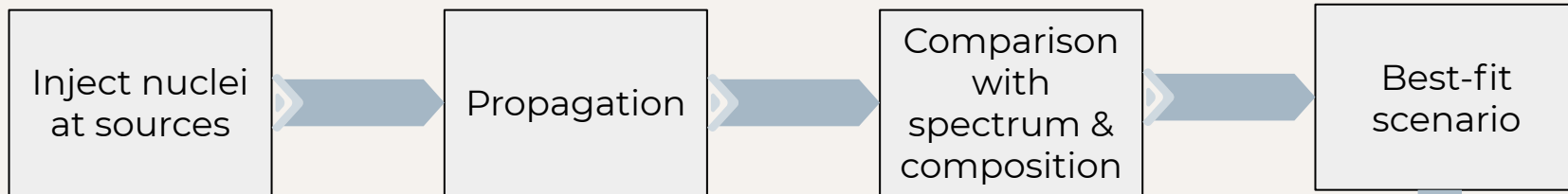
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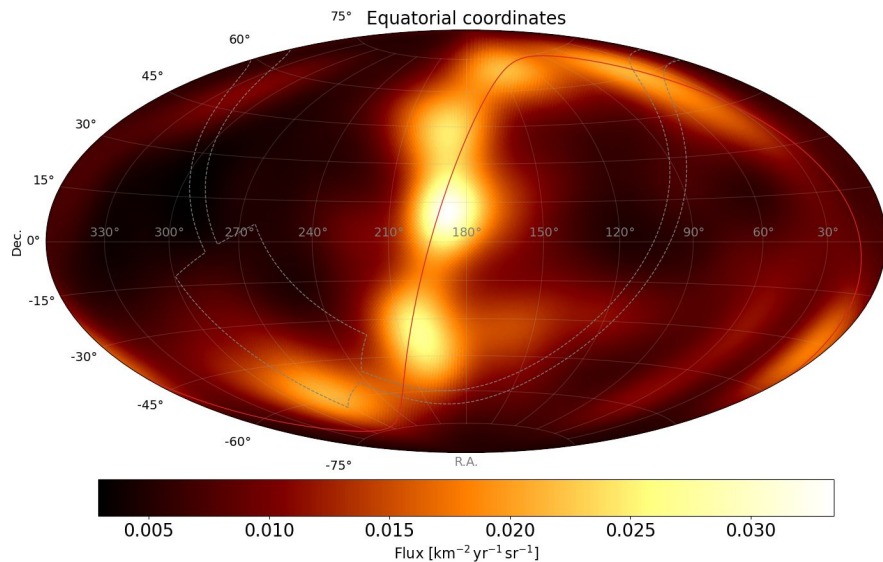
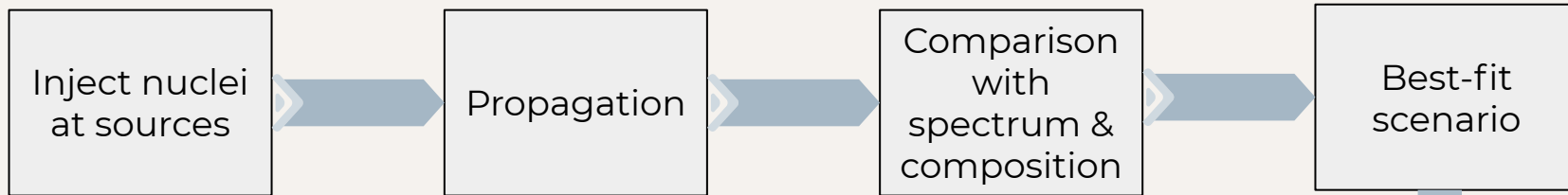


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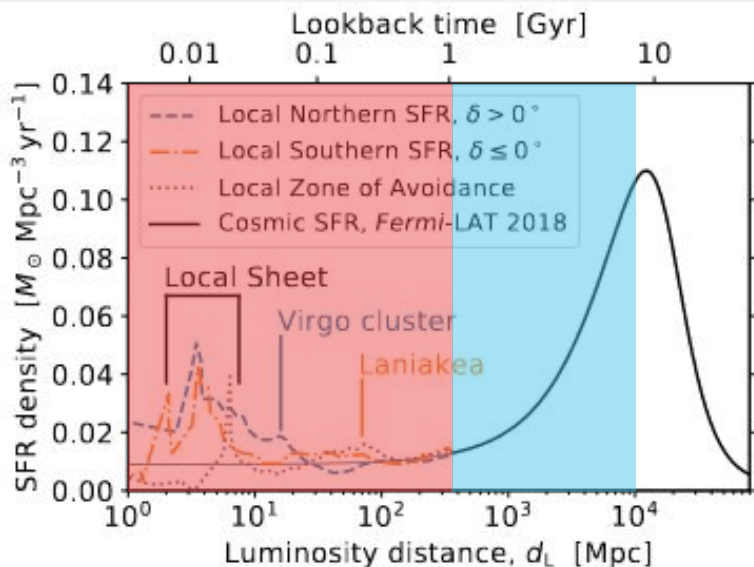
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# Consequences on arrival directions

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- **Split** the code in 2
- Uses the full Catalogue of *Biteau(2021) Astrophys.J.Suppl. 256*

- **Compute the flux for each galaxy from the catalogue (~400 000)**
- **Compute the flux as before, from  $z=0.08$  to  $z=2.5$**



$$J_A(E)|_{\text{Gal}} = \frac{1}{4\pi d_L^2} \sum_{A_g} \sum_{E_g} S(z_{\text{Gal}}) \times \frac{dN_{A_g}}{dE_g} \times T_A(E_g, z, E_{\text{det}}, (Z, A)_{\text{det}}) \Delta E_g$$

$$J_A(E)|_{z=0.08 \rightarrow 2.50} = \frac{c}{4\pi} \sum_{A_g} \sum_{E_g} \sum_{z=0.08}^{z=2.50} \Delta z \left| \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta z} \right| S(z) \times \frac{dN_{A_g}}{dE_g} \times T_A(E_g, z, E_{\text{det}}, (Z, A)_{\text{det}}) \Delta E_g$$

$$J_A(E) = J_A(E)|_{z=0.08 \rightarrow 2.50} + \frac{J_A(E)|_{z=0.0 \rightarrow 0.08}}{\sum_{\text{Gal}} J_A(E)|_{\text{Gal}}} J_A(E)|_{\text{Gal}}$$

# Result - Consequences on arrival directions

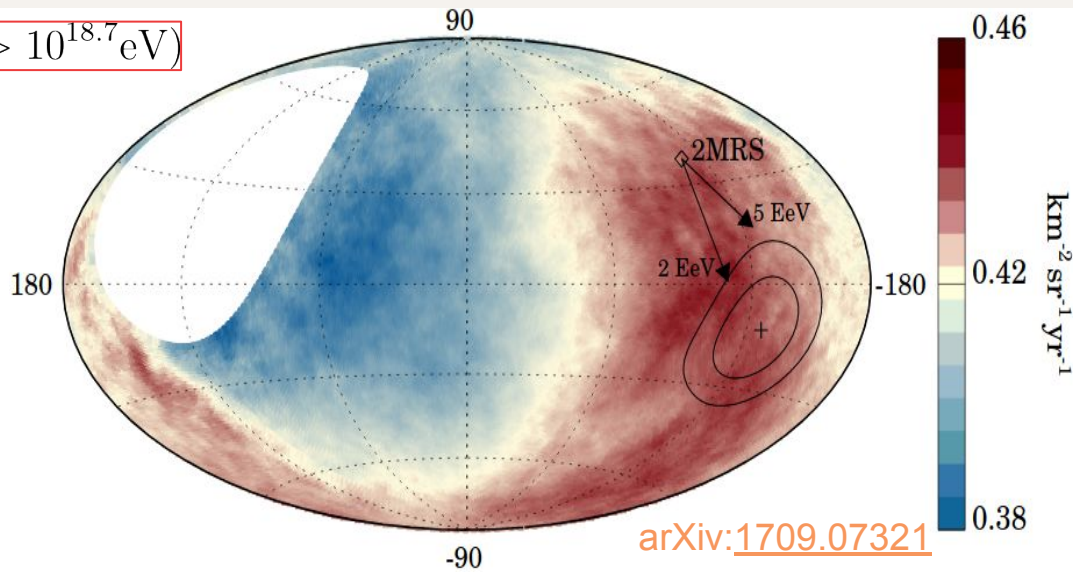
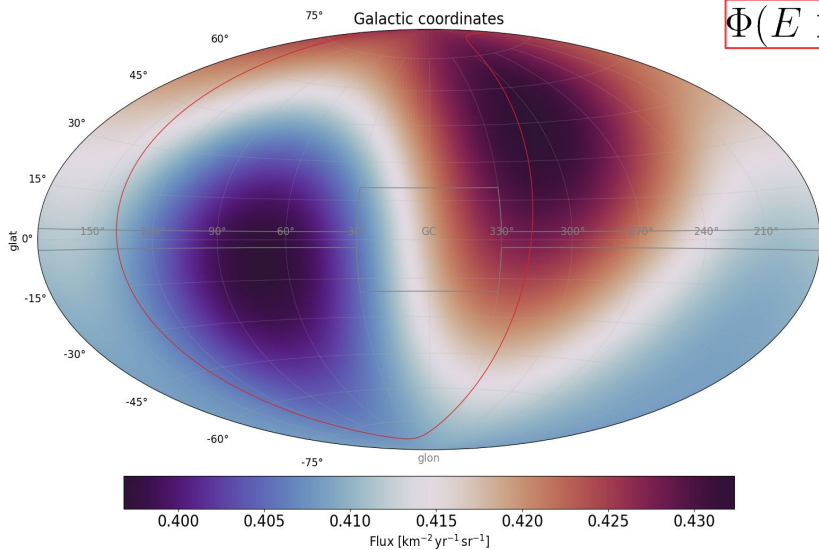
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- Compute the flux in each pixel
- Do a **top-hat smoothing** with  $45^\circ$  radius

Model

Data from Auger

$$\Phi(E > 10^{18.7} \text{ eV})$$



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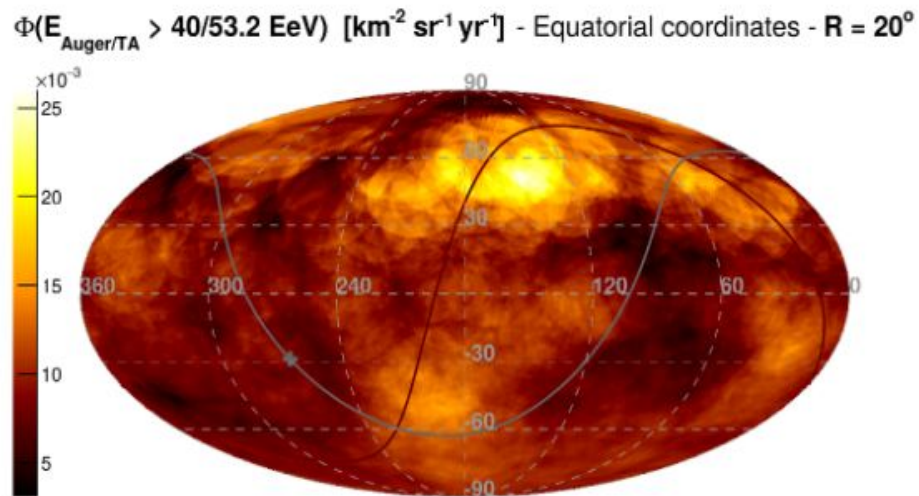
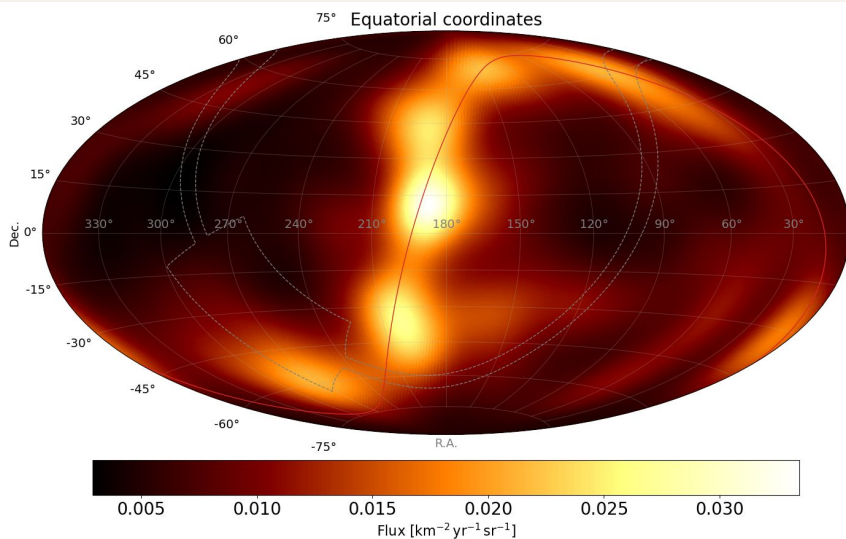
→ Do a top-hat smoothing with **10° radius**

→ Dominated by Laniakea,  
Shapley cluster, Virgo  
Cluster.

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$$\Phi(E > 10^{19.6} \text{ eV})$$

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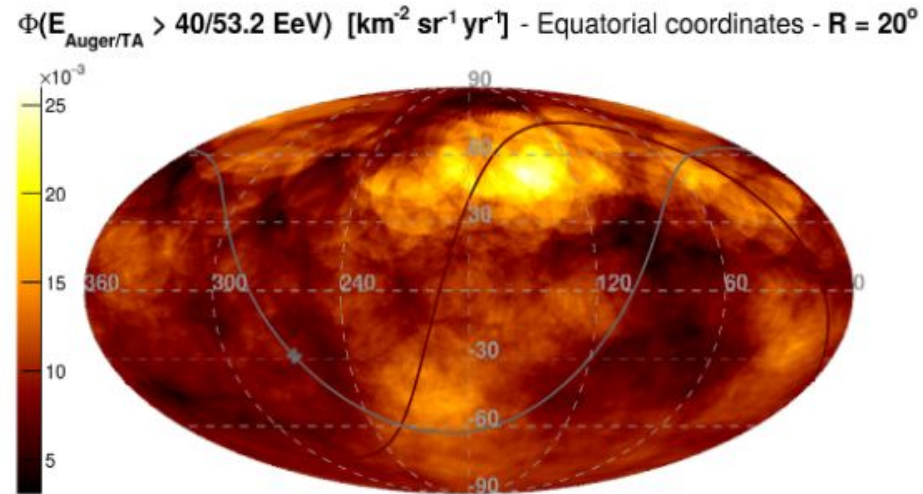
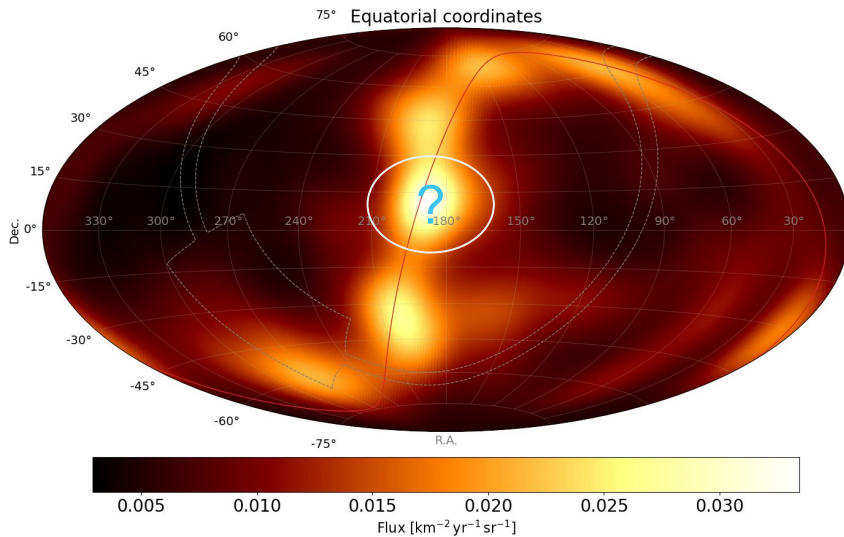
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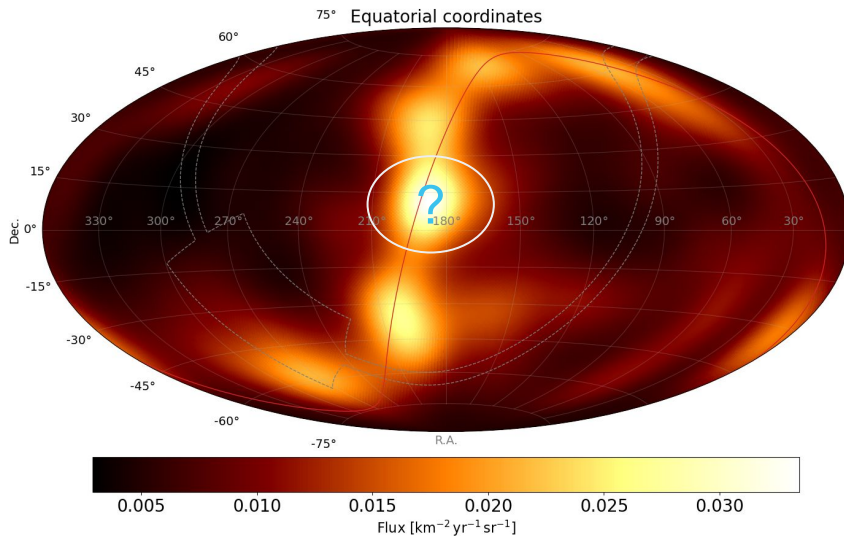
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## Conclusion:

→ Model that can describe the expected flux above any energy !

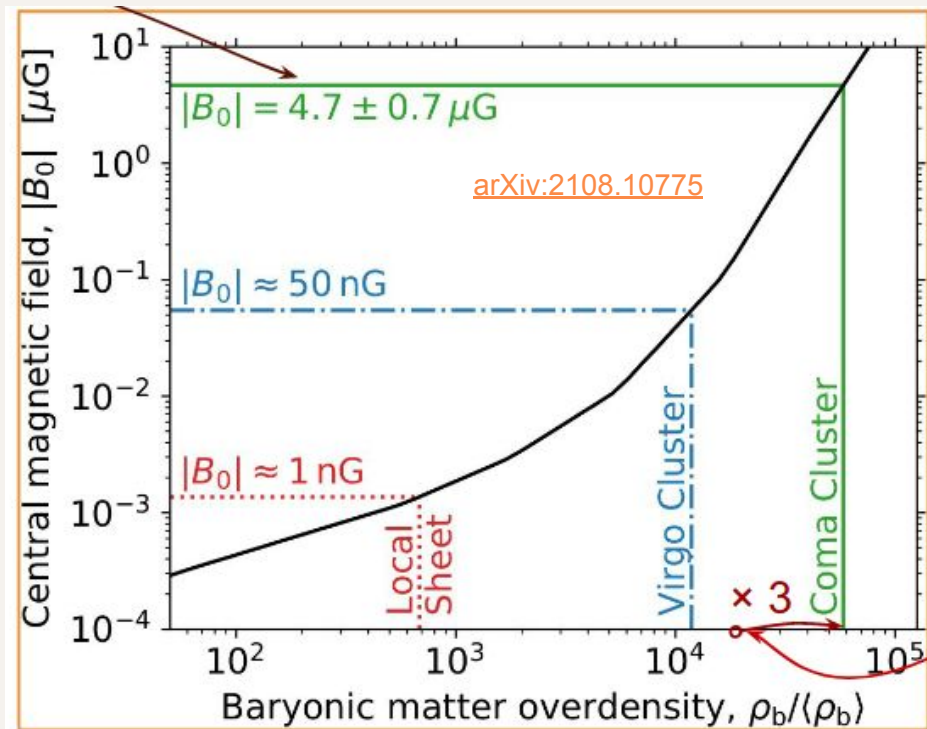
## Question:

→ Does UHECR escape from all clusters ?

# Compute magnetic field of clusters

## Idea:

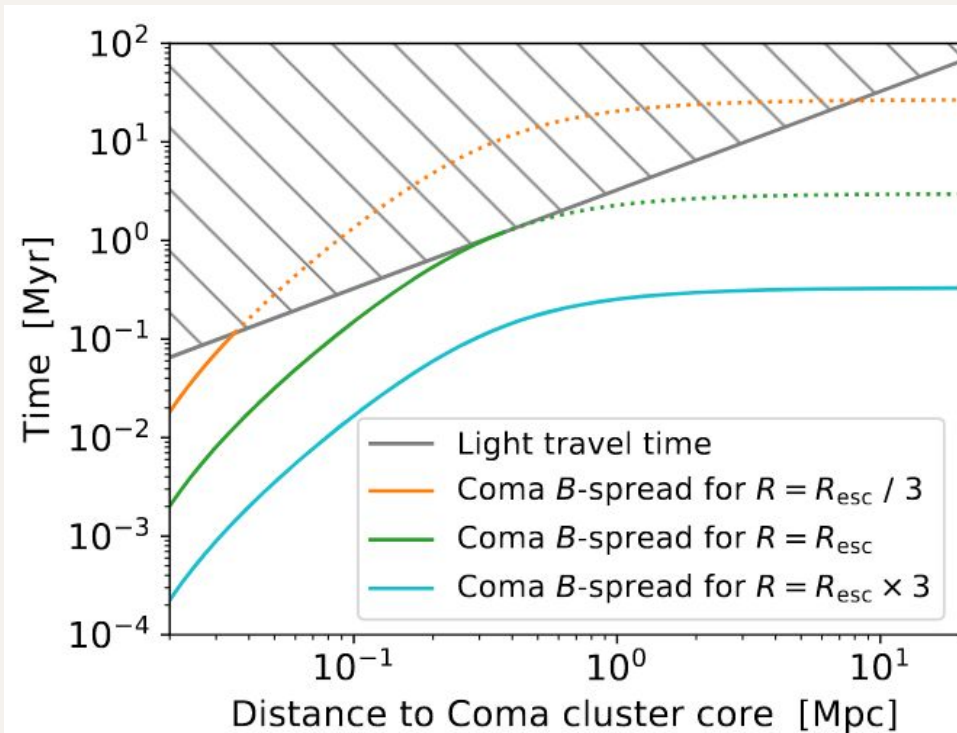
- Compute cluster's magnetic field from baryonic matter overdensity based on MHD simulation (*Donnert+ 2018*)
- Check if UHECR can escape from the magnetic field of the cluster



# Time of spreading vs light travel time

## Hypothesis:

- If the time spend in the cluster due to magnetic field spread **is lower than the light travel time** → UHECR escape.
- If the time **is equal or bigger** → **UHECR get stuck**



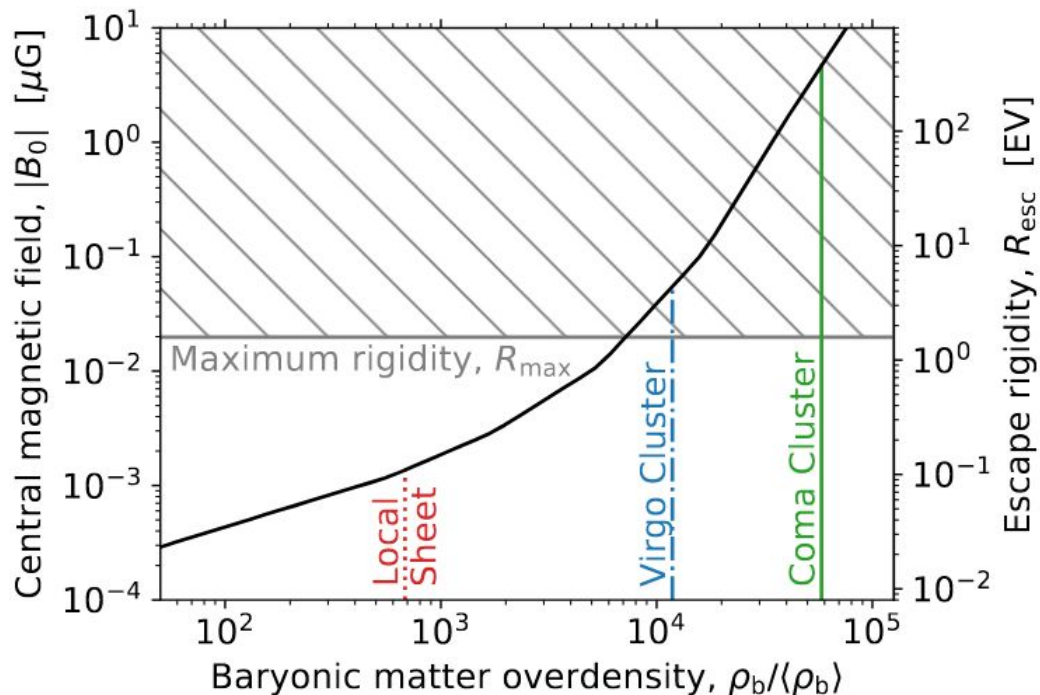
# Magnetic confinement

**Definition rigidity:**

$$R = E/Z$$

## Consequences:

- The magnetic field will confine UHECR:
- If UHECR are injected up to a maximum rigidity  $R_{\max}$ , the clusters with an escape rigidity above  $R_{\max}$  do not contribute.
- **Conclusion:** Some clusters cannot be seen



# Result - Consequences on arrival directions

Looking at  
arrival  
directions

→ Compute the flux in each pixel

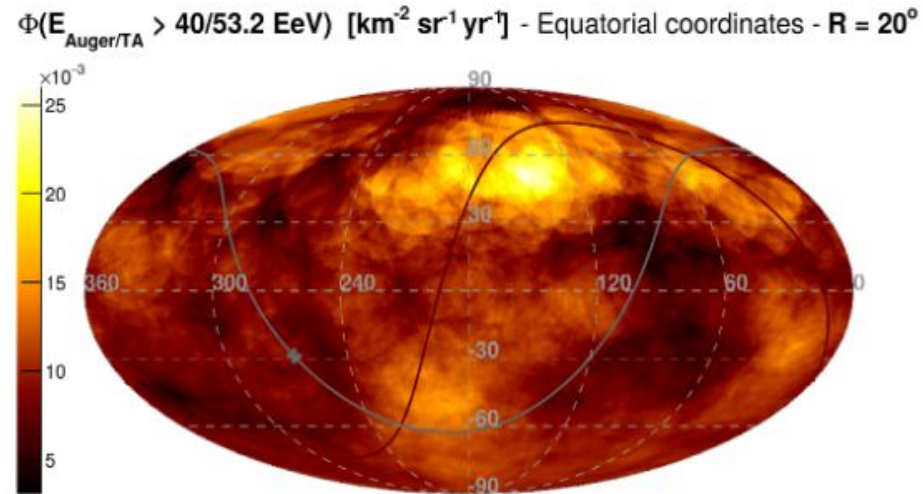
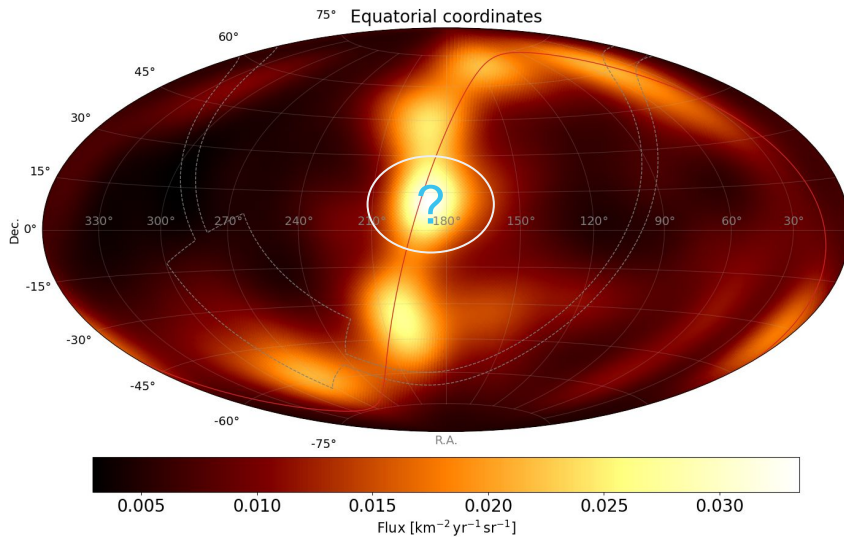
→ Do a top-hat smoothing with **10° radius**

→ Dominated by Laniakea,  
Shapley cluster, Virgo  
Cluster.

Model

$$\Phi(E > 10^{19.6} \text{ eV})$$

Data

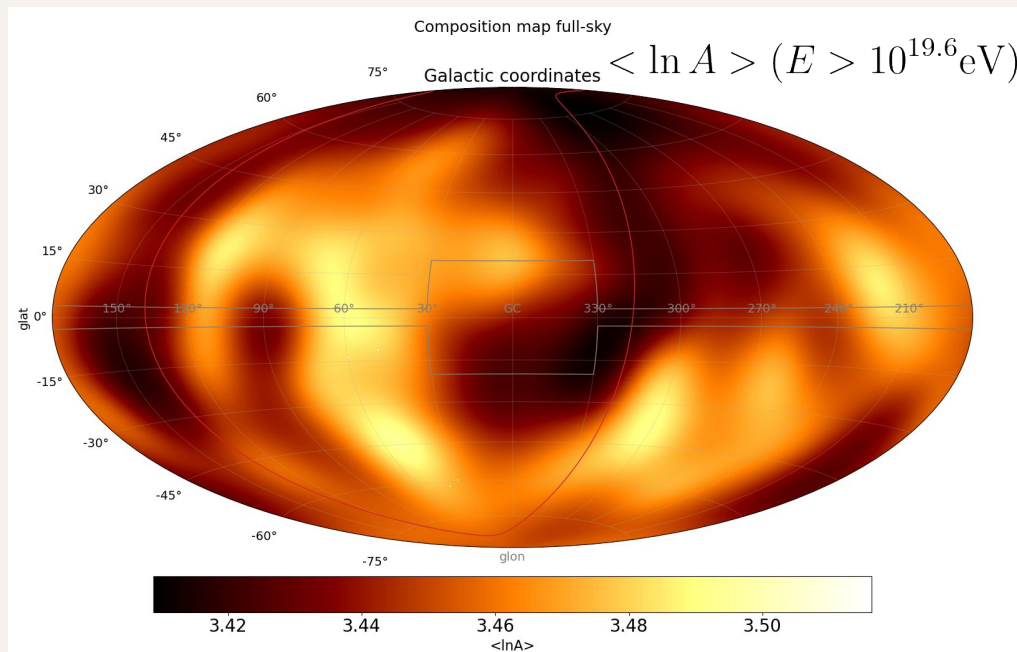


# Conclusion

- An astrophysical model that shows consequences on arrival directions

## What's next?

- We are implementing full  $X_{\max}$  distribution into the code
- Magnetic confinement & screening is being implemented
- Give a composition map





# Pub



Je contrôle les télescopes du plus grand observatoire à rayons cosmiques au monde !

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SulliBoy

Je suis doctorant en astrophysique des hautes énergies. Dans cette vidéo, je vous embarque avec moi en Argentine dans la ...

Vous voulez savoir comment se passe un shift à l'observatoire Auger ! Allez voir ma vidéo ! :D

## Thank you for your attention